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Poll results

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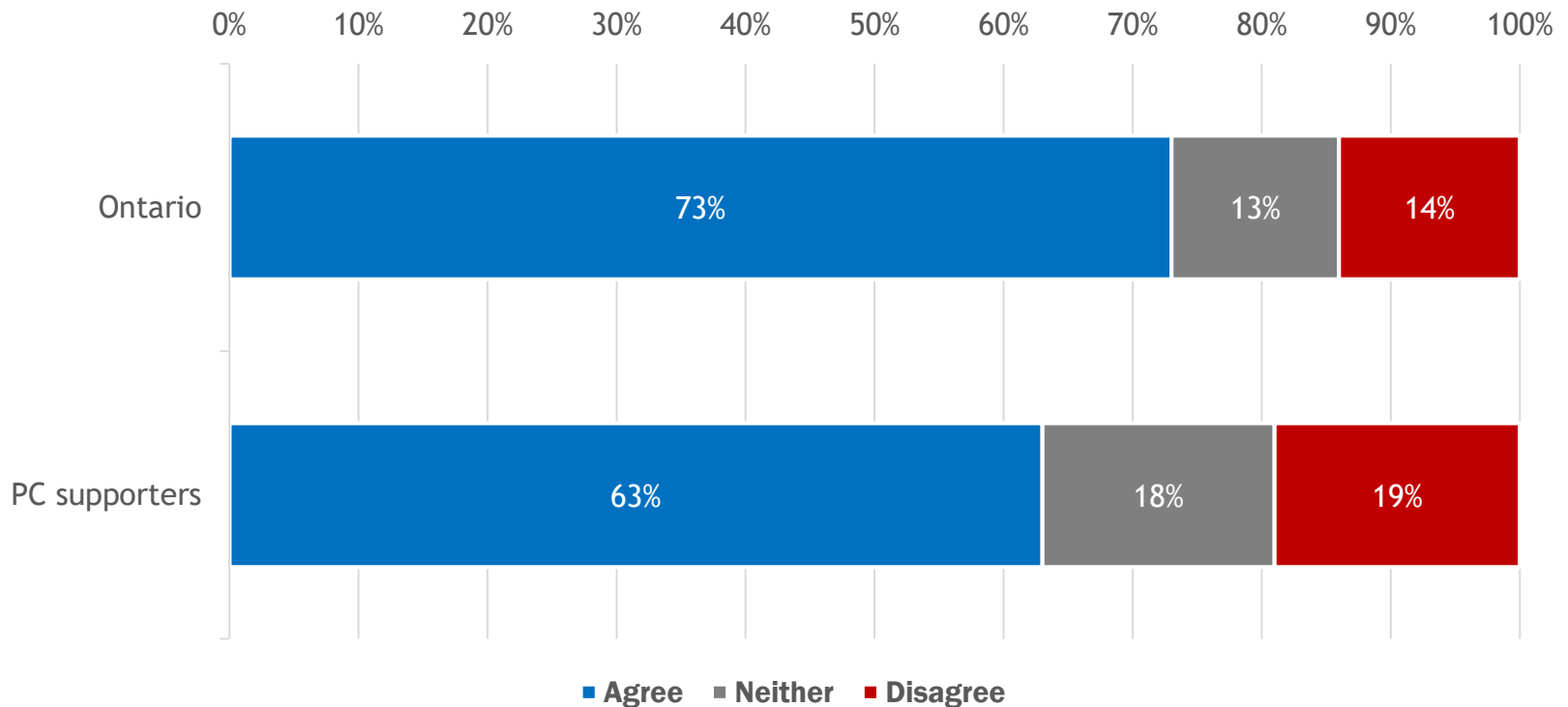


Poll details

- ▶ Designed to gauge importance of postsecondary education in Ontario, awareness of current fiscal situation at Laurentian, and support for additional funding for universities facing financial difficulties.
- ▶ EKOS conducted Ontario-wide online poll of 1,063 Ontario residents, 18 years of age or older.
- ▶ The associated margin of error is plus or minus 3.0% at a 0.05 confidence interval (i.e. 19 times out of 20).

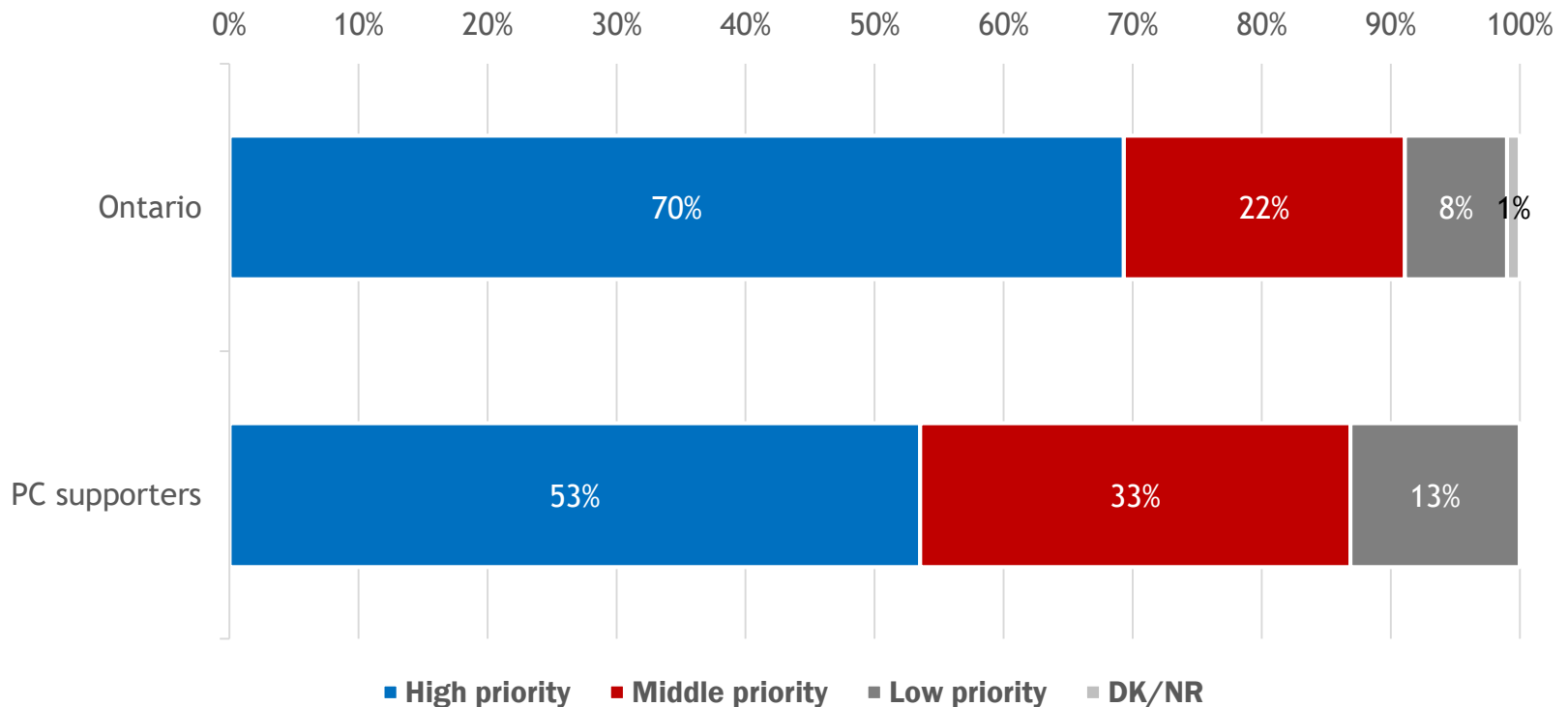


Please rate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statement: **A university education is valuable for today's young people**



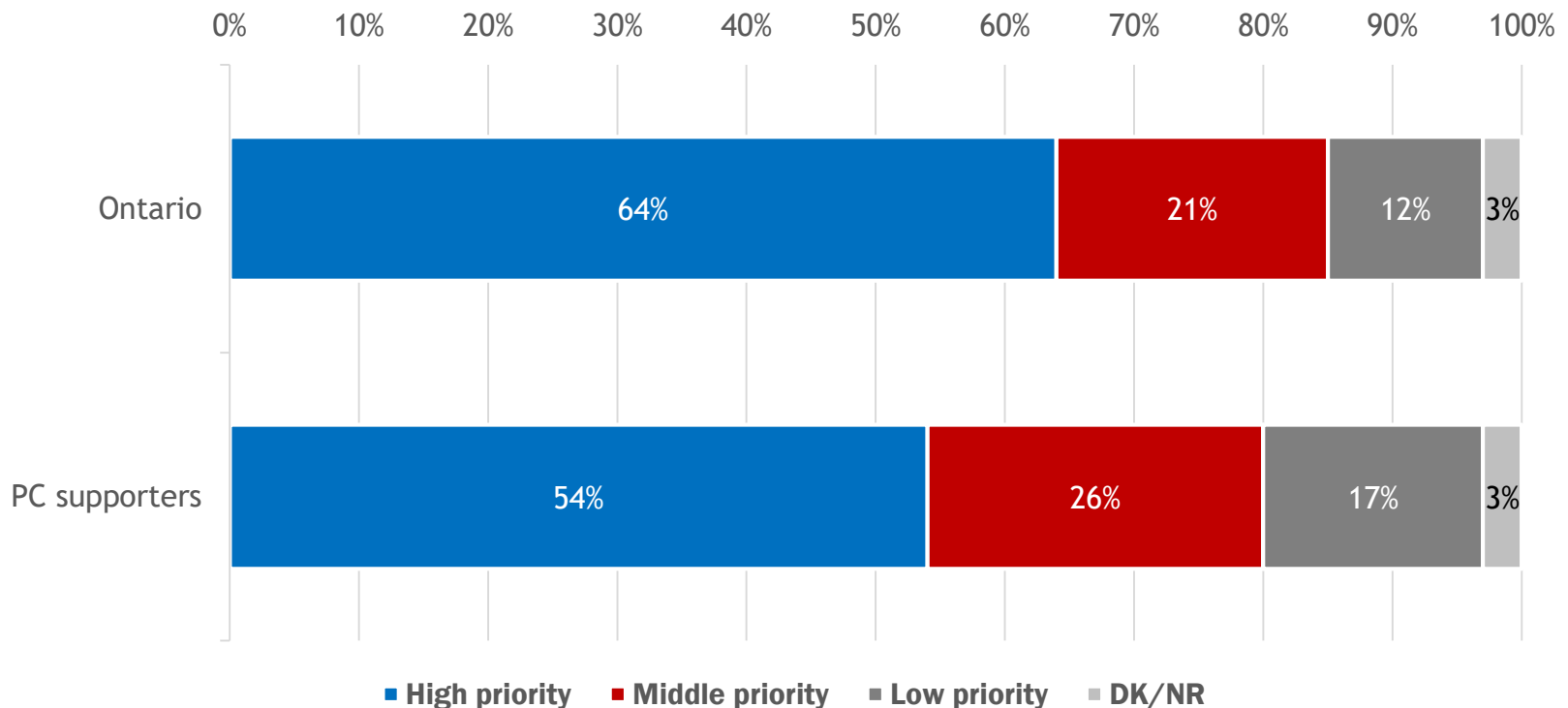


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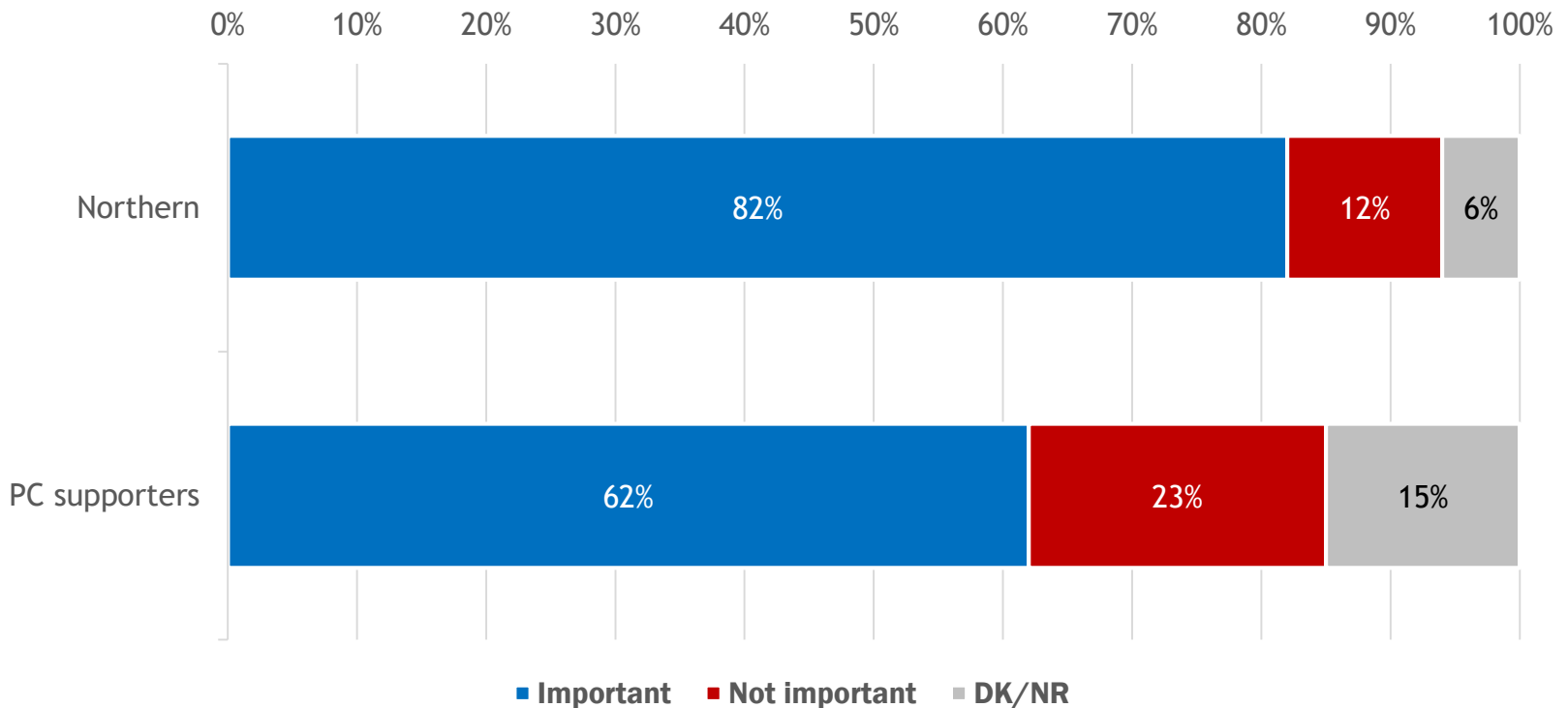


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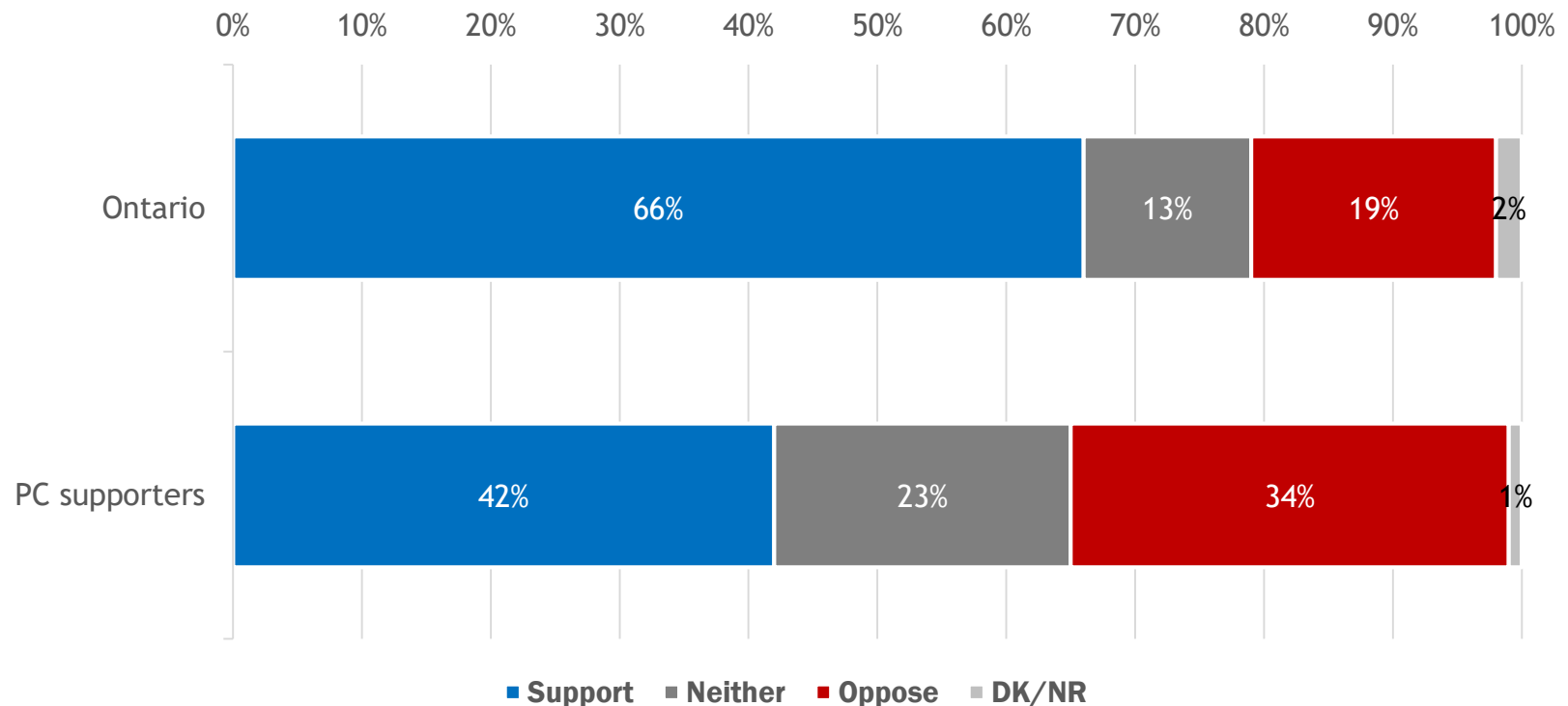
How important do you consider Laurentian University to be for the people of Northern Ontario?



Northern sample

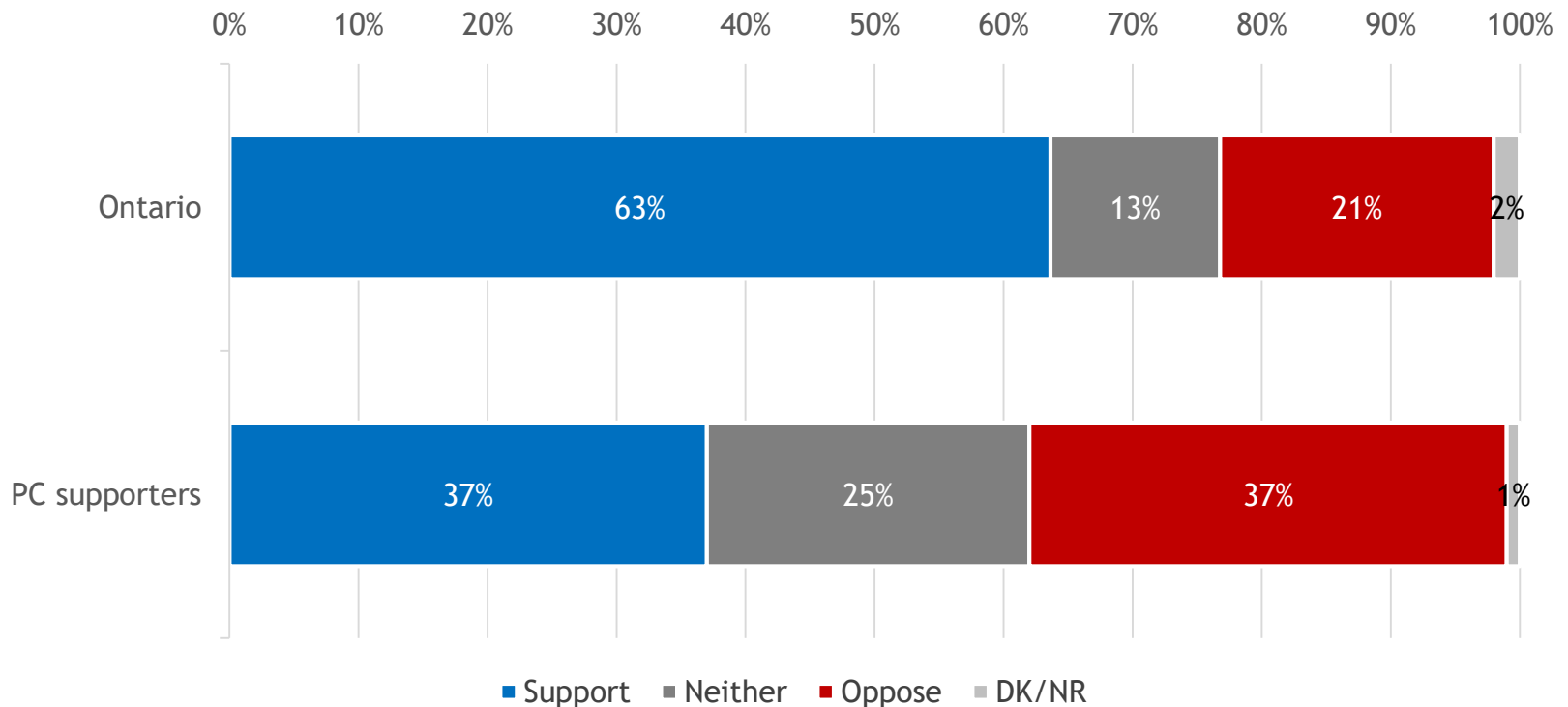


Laurentian University is Northern Ontario's only bilingual university, and also serves the region's large Indigenous community. Considering this, do you support or oppose the province providing additional funding to protect bilingual and Indigenous programs at Laurentian University?



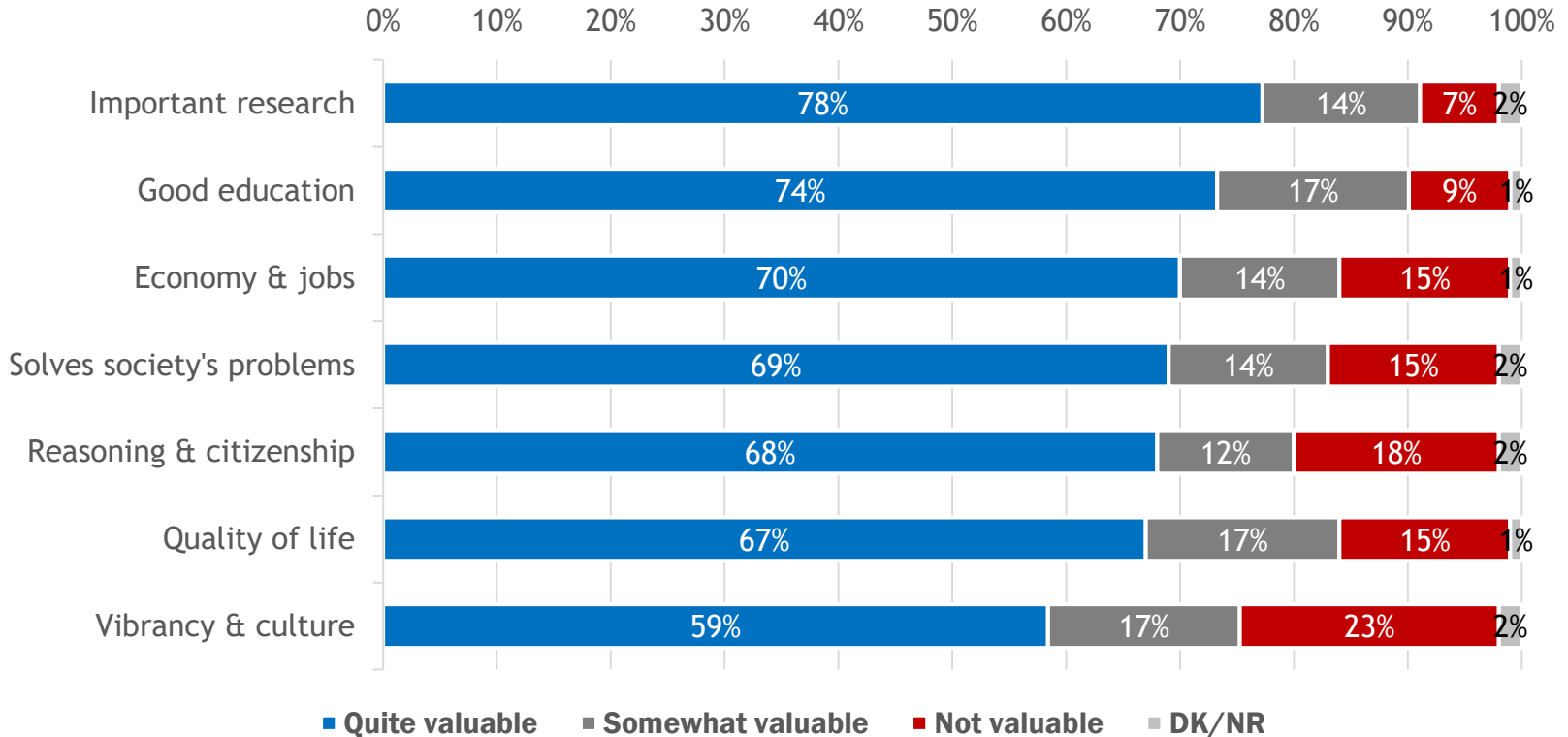


Accounting for inflation, provincial operating grants for Ontario's universities have declined 9.2% in the last 10 years. Considering this, do you support or oppose the province providing additional funding to protect programs and jobs at Ontario's universities when those universities face financial difficulties?





How valuable do you believe each of the following attributes are to society when it comes to people receiving a university education?



Attributes as identified in poll: Conducts important research, Provides for a good education, Increases the strength of the economy by better enabling people to get good paying jobs, Produces innovations that solve pressing societal problems, Promotes critical reasoning and sound citizenship, Improves the overall quality of life in your region, Contributes to the vibrancy and culture in your region.



Overall, on all issues, would you say the Government of Ontario is moving in the right direction or the wrong direction?

