

Kerry 2 to 1 Over Bush in Leon County¹

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In an internet survey of 600 Leon County likely voters conducted one week before the election, Kerry will cruise to victory in Leon County garnering 65% of the vote to Bush's 33%. This comes as no surprise as registered Democrats outnumber registered Republicans by more than a 2 to 1 margin in Leon County.

Castor's bid for one of Florida's 2 US Senate seats will get a boost in Leon County as 68% of likely voters plan to vote for Castor. Martinez received 30% with 2% for other candidates.

Long-time incumbent Allen Boyd holds an overwhelming lead in Leon County over Kilmer (72% to 28%) in his bid to retain the US 2nd Congressional District seat. Kilmer's well-financed efforts will not result in significant votes in Leon County.

In a race to watch, incumbent Meggs only holds a slight lead over Hooper (53% to 47%) in Leon County in a close race for the 2nd Judicial Circuit State Attorney post.

Argenziano also holds a slight lead over Brooks in Leon County in her effort to retain the State Senate seat from the 3rd District.²

Richardson, running unopposed, garnered 90% of the Leon County votes with write in candidates accounting for 10%.²

In the seat for State Representative for the 7th House District that Bev Kilmer vacated in her run for Congress, Duncan holds a lead in Leon County over Republican Coley in a 56% to 44% race.²

Ausley looks to lock in her seat in the 9th House District with an 87% to 13% lead over challenger Covington.²

Maloy holds a comfortable lead over Pumphrey (57% to 43%) despite what many local pundits thought would be a close race for Tax Collector.

Montford can expect to return to his position as Superintendent of Leon County Schools as likely voters favored him by an 82% to 18% margin over Sunday.

Leon County likely voters favor Amendments 2, 5, 6, 7, and 8. Amendment 5, the Florida Minimum Wage Amendment was closest, at 54% Yes, 46% No.

Amendments 1, 3, and 4 were all voted down by this citizen panel, although Amendment 3 which pits insurance companies and doctors against lawyers and patients is still relatively close at 55% No, 45% Yes.

¹ Voices is an Internet survey panel sponsored by Kerr & Downs Research and The Tallahassee Democrat.

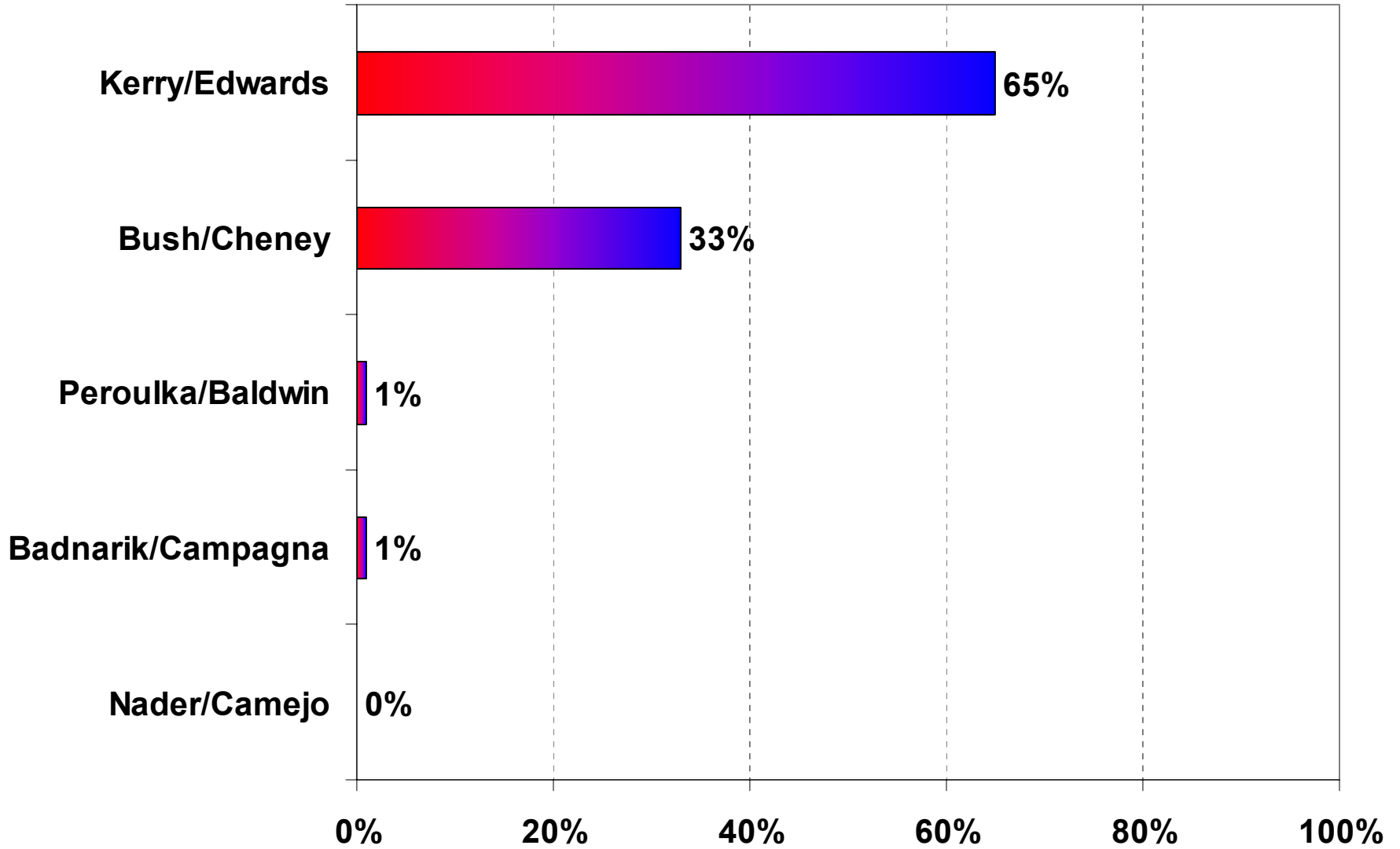
² Respondents were instructed to only vote for the Legislative Districts to which they belonged. A link was provided to the Supervisor of Elections website for those who were unaware which races pertained to them. None of the ballots were independently verified for correctness.

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Mock Election Results

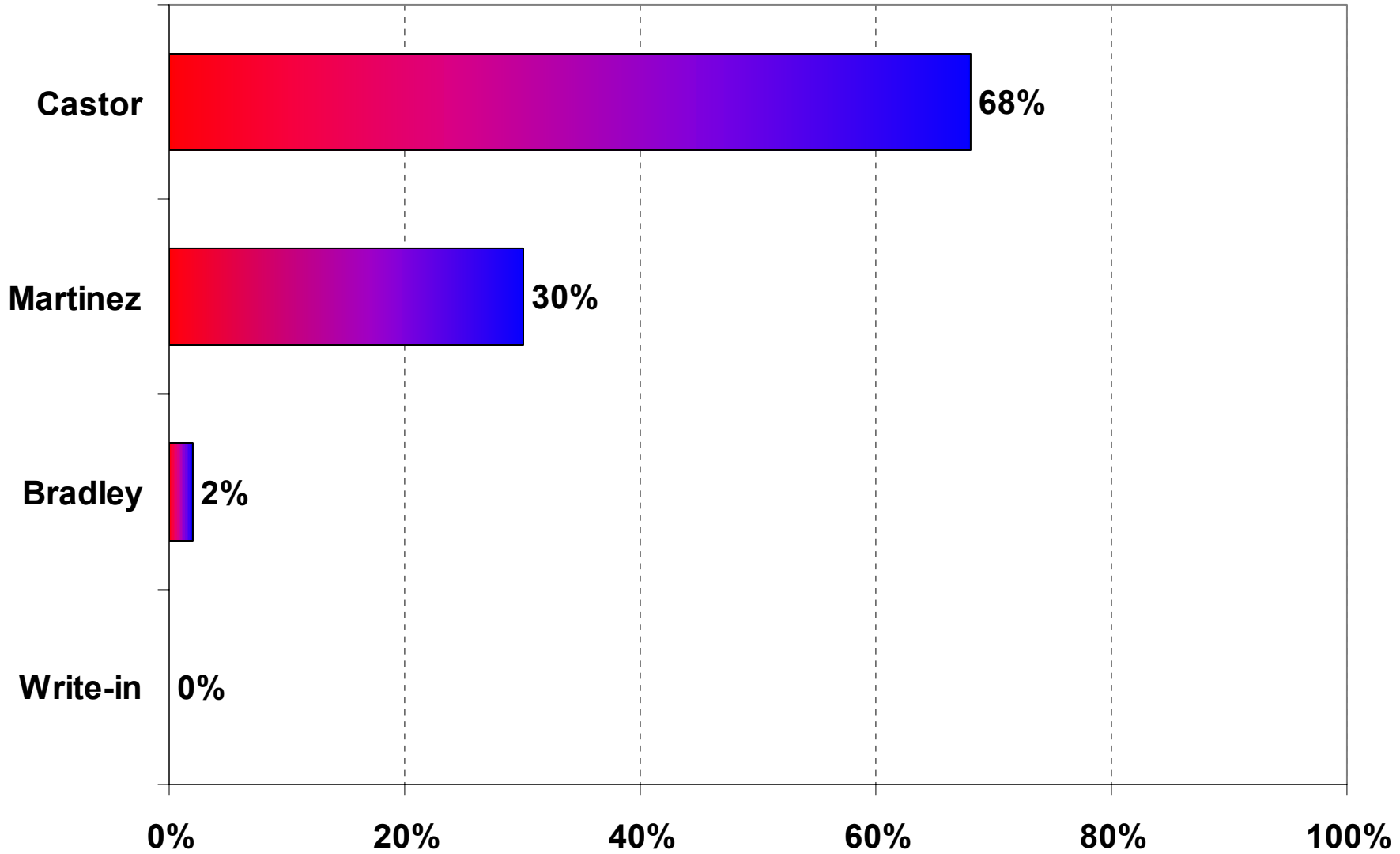
President & Vice President

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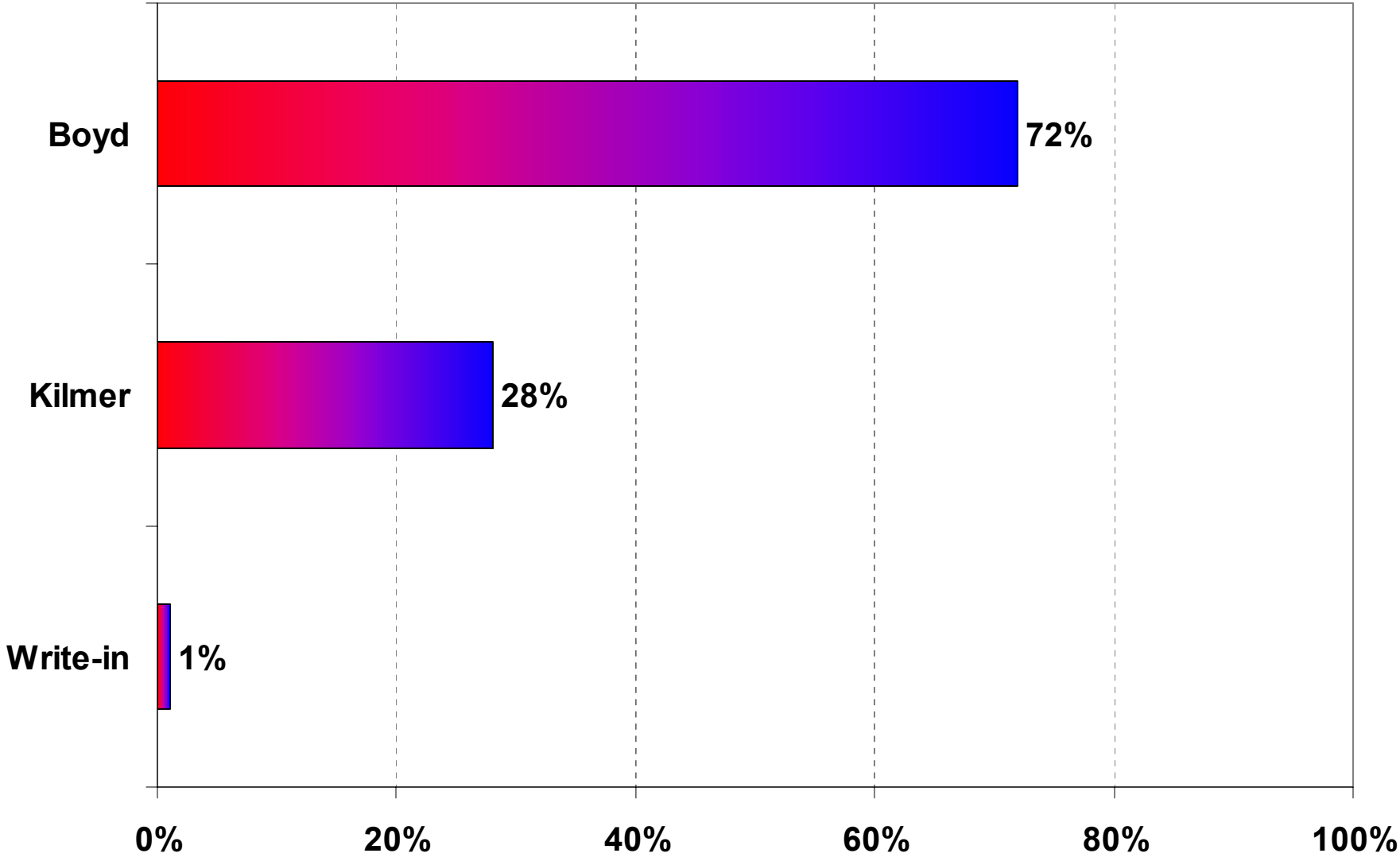
United States Senator

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Representative in Congress

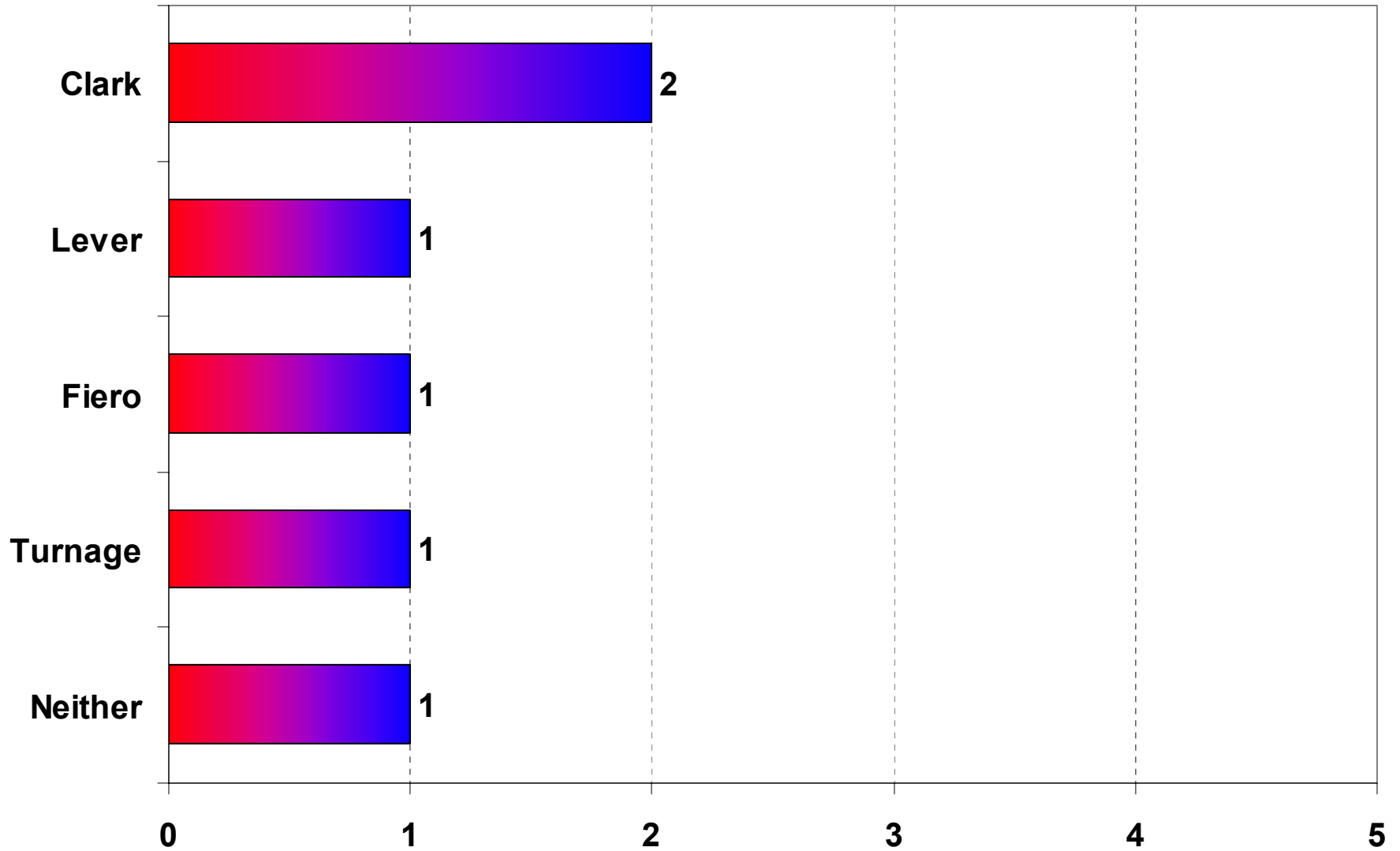
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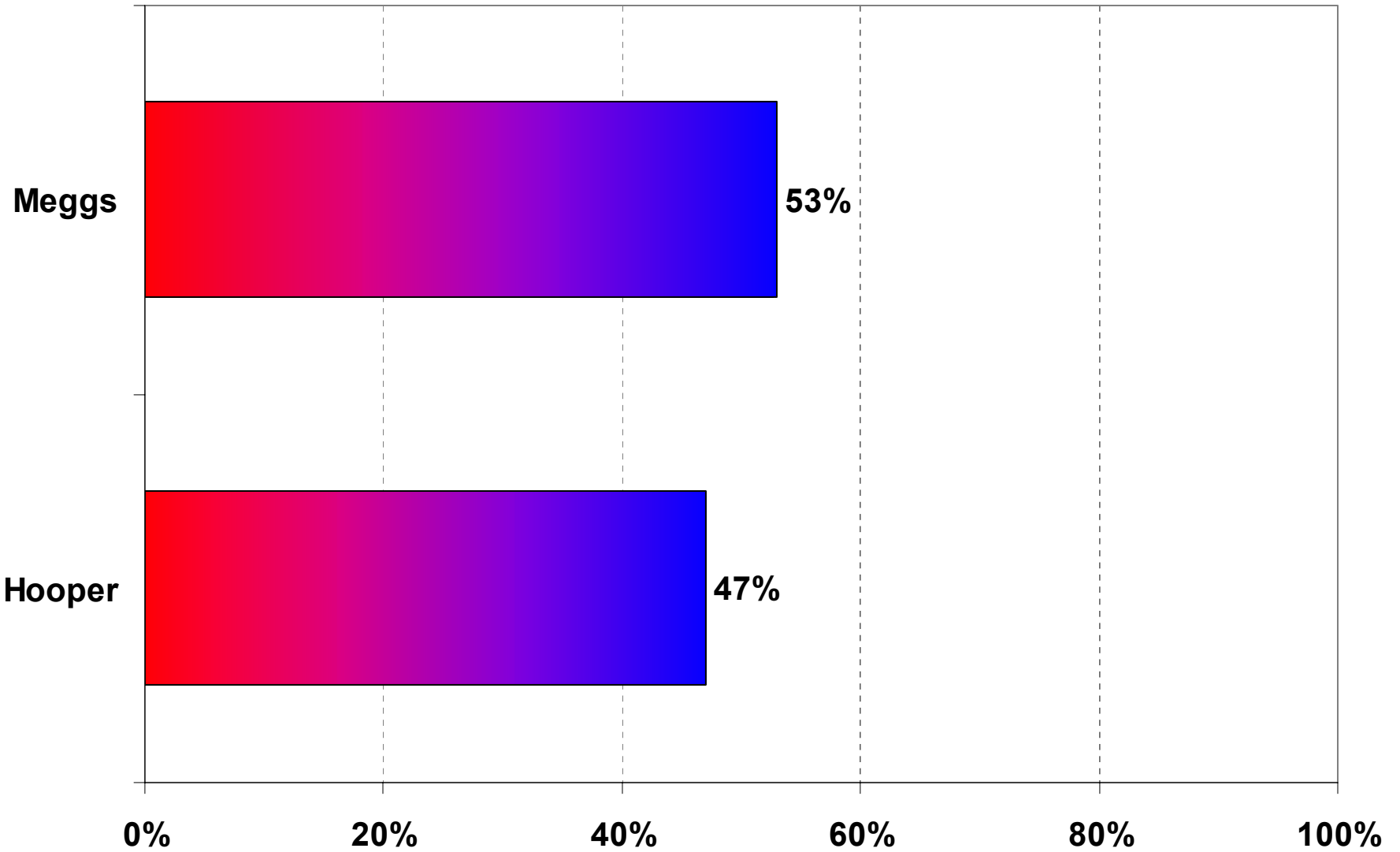
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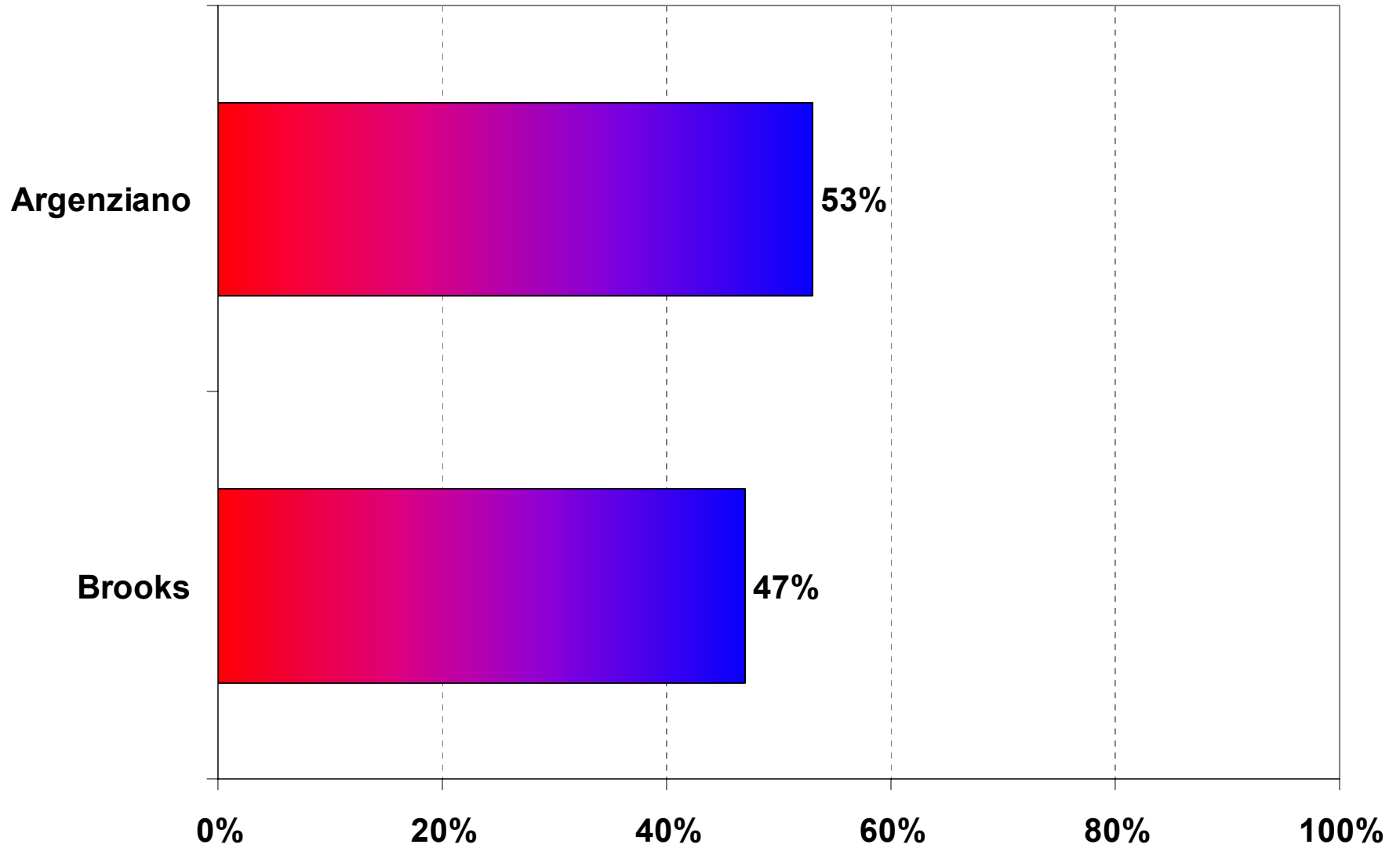
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State Senator

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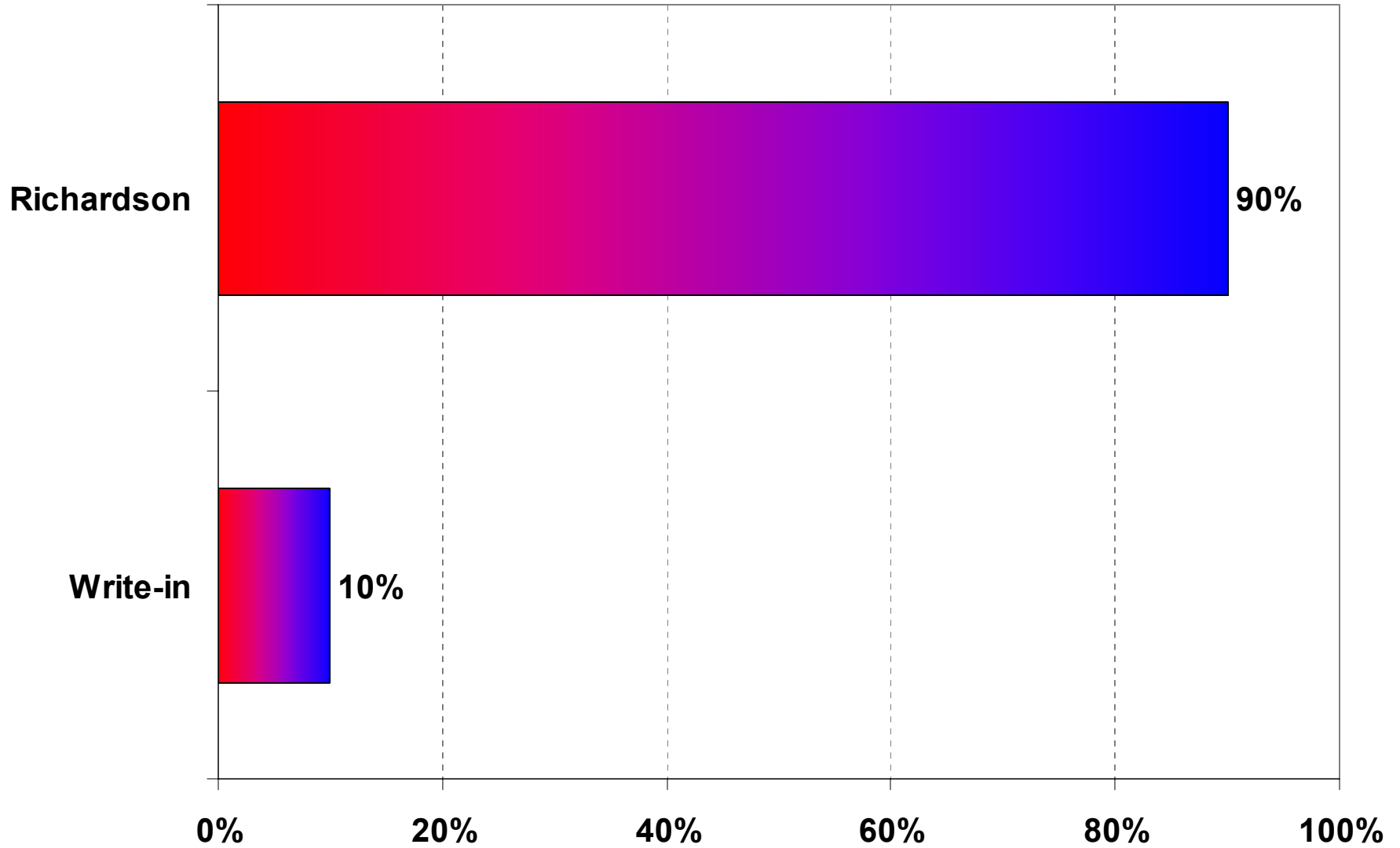
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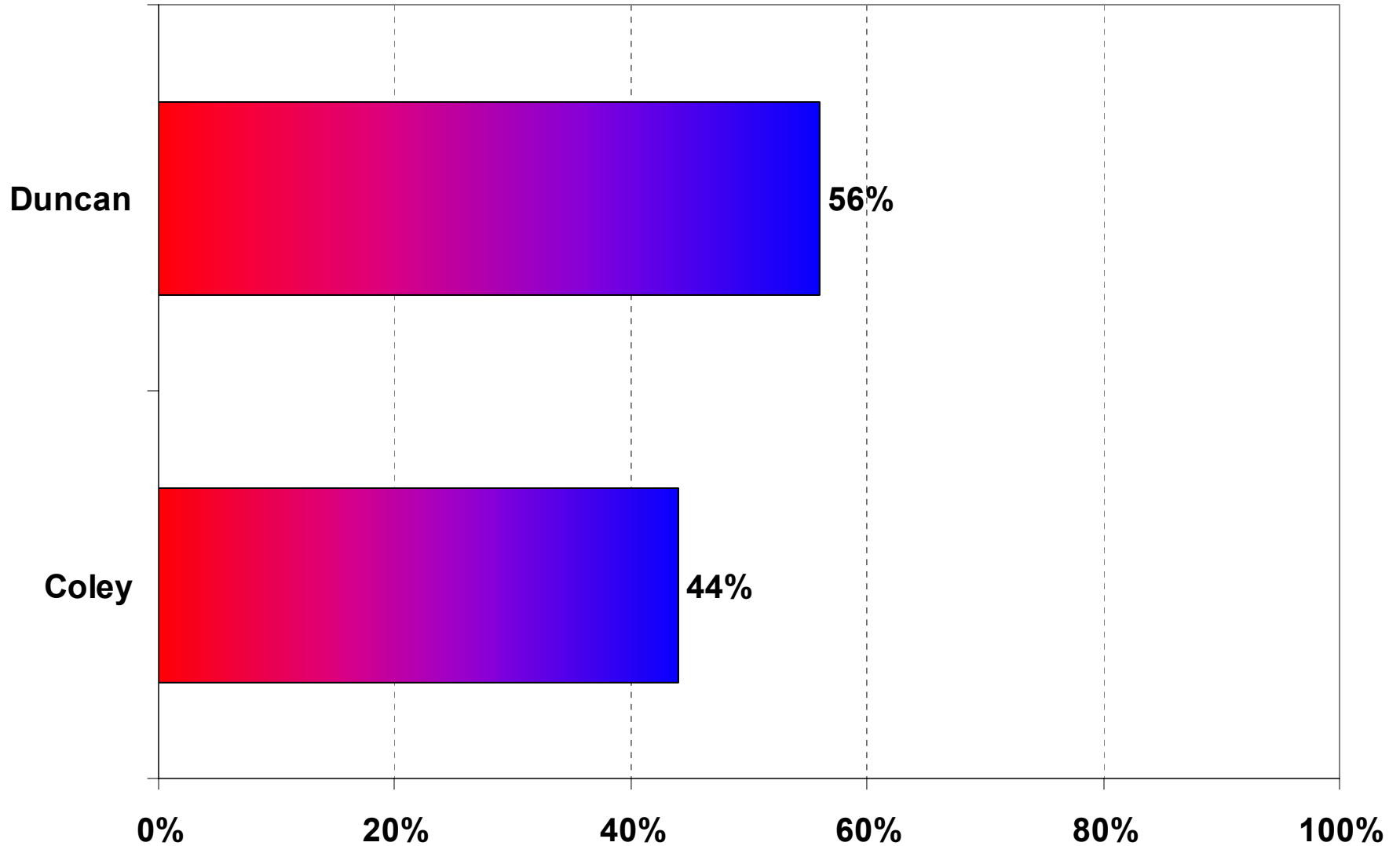
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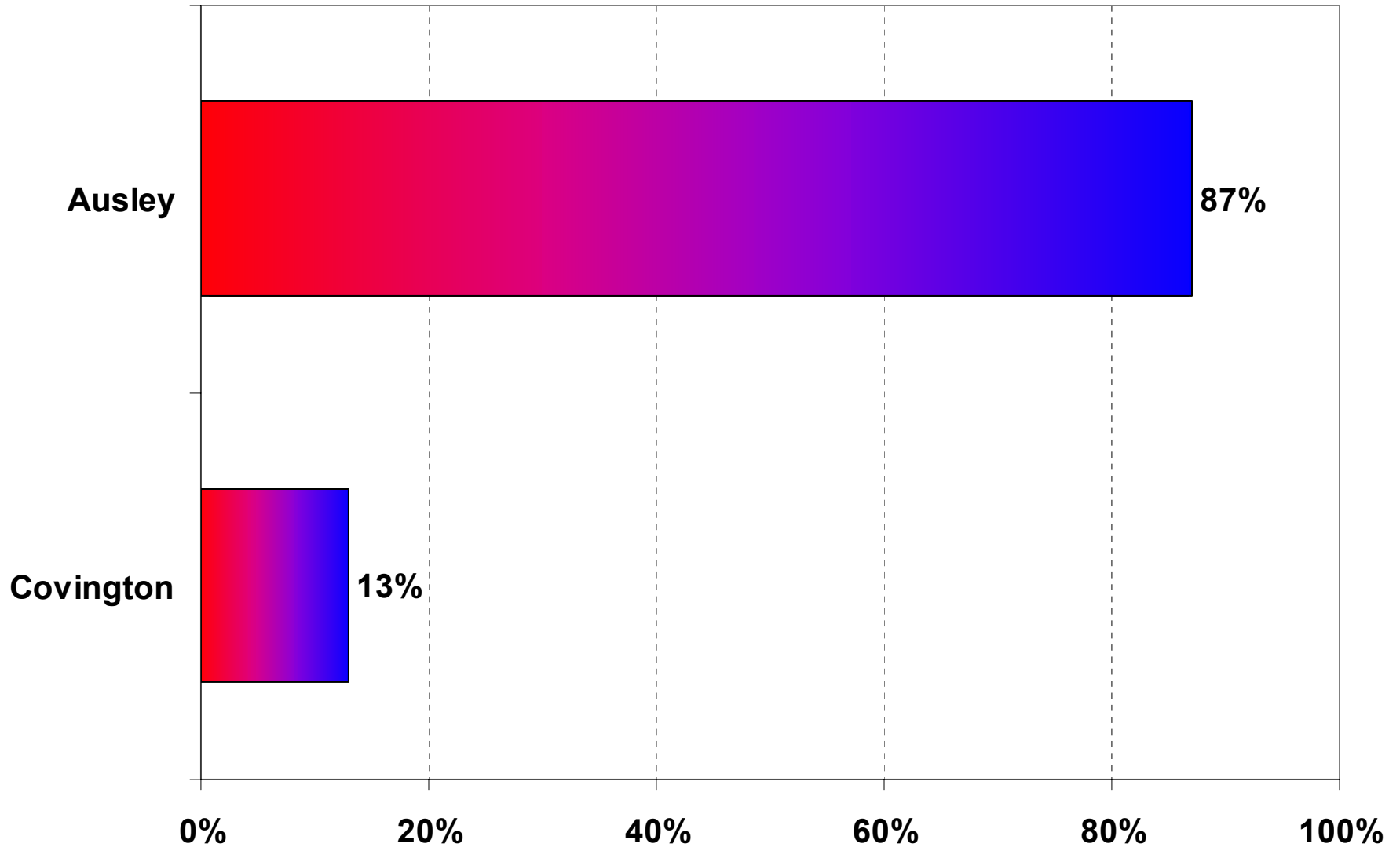
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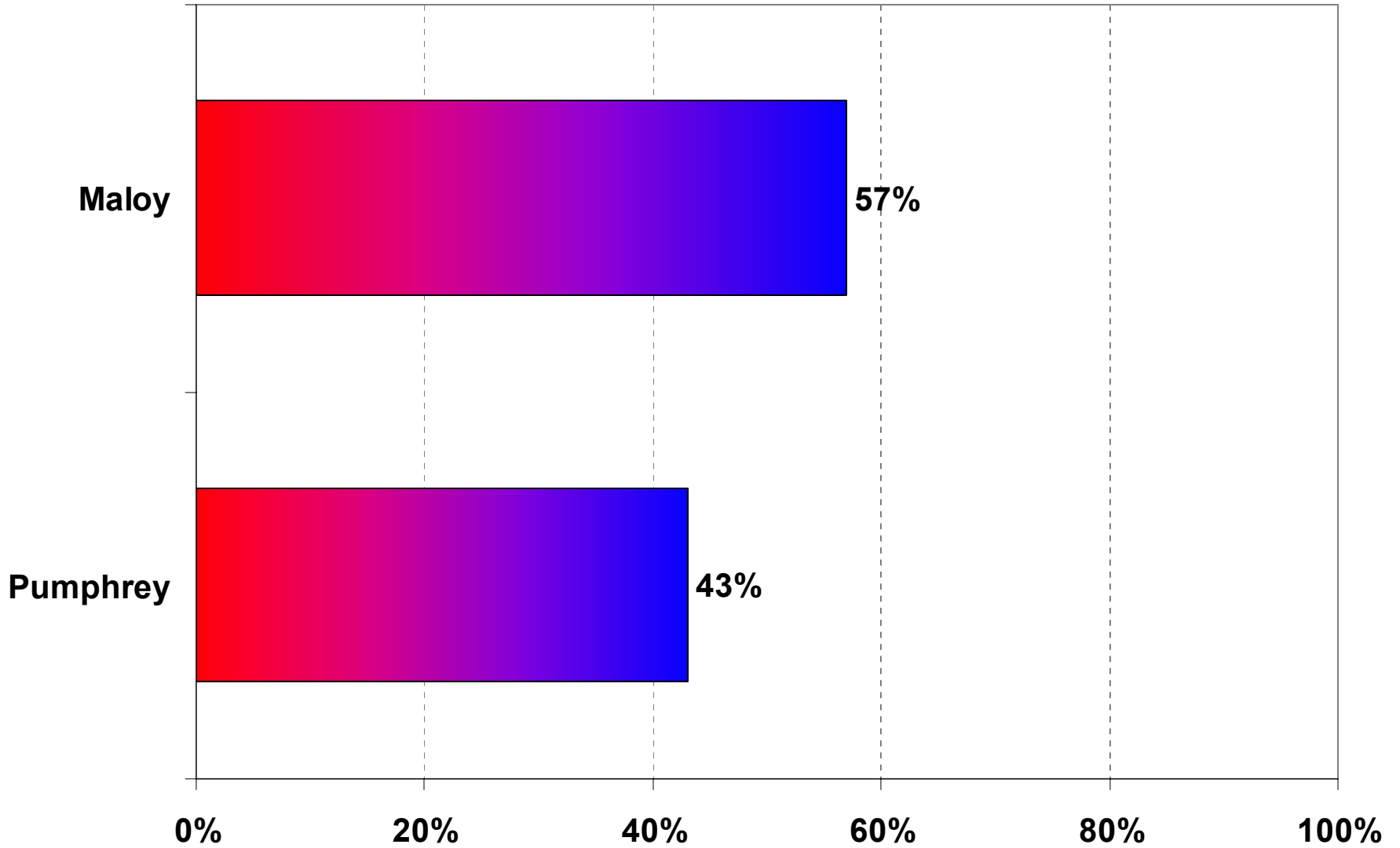
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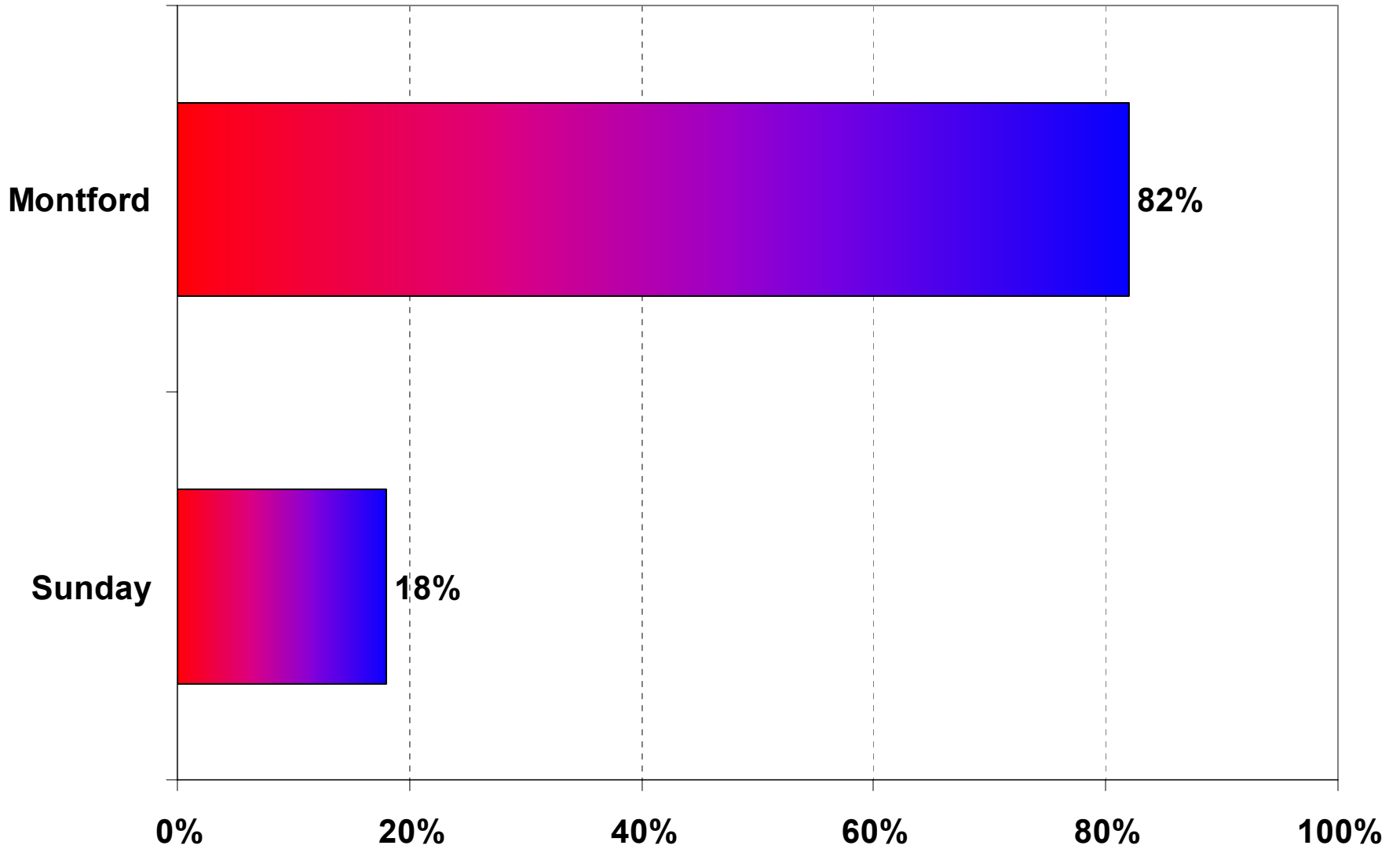
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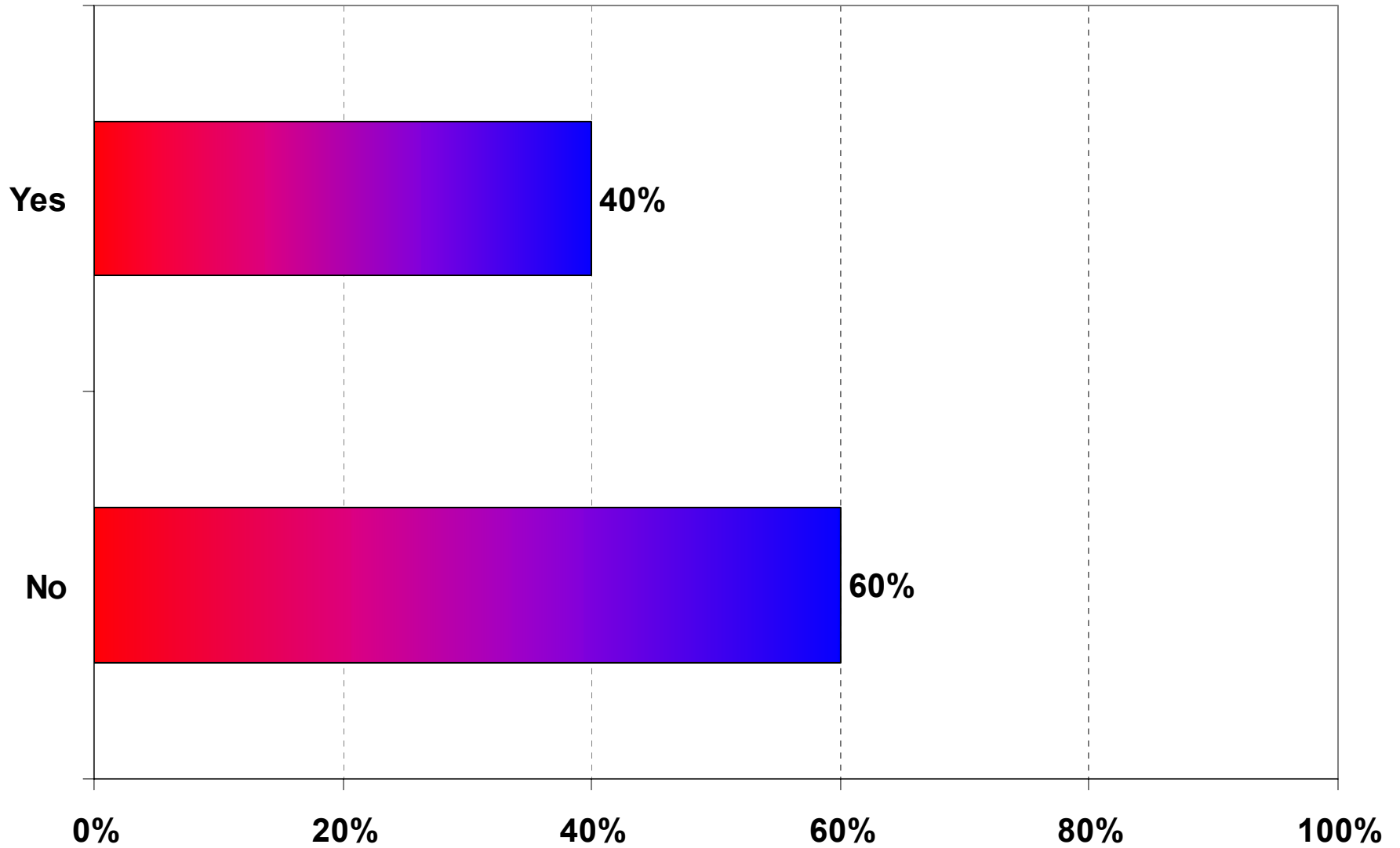
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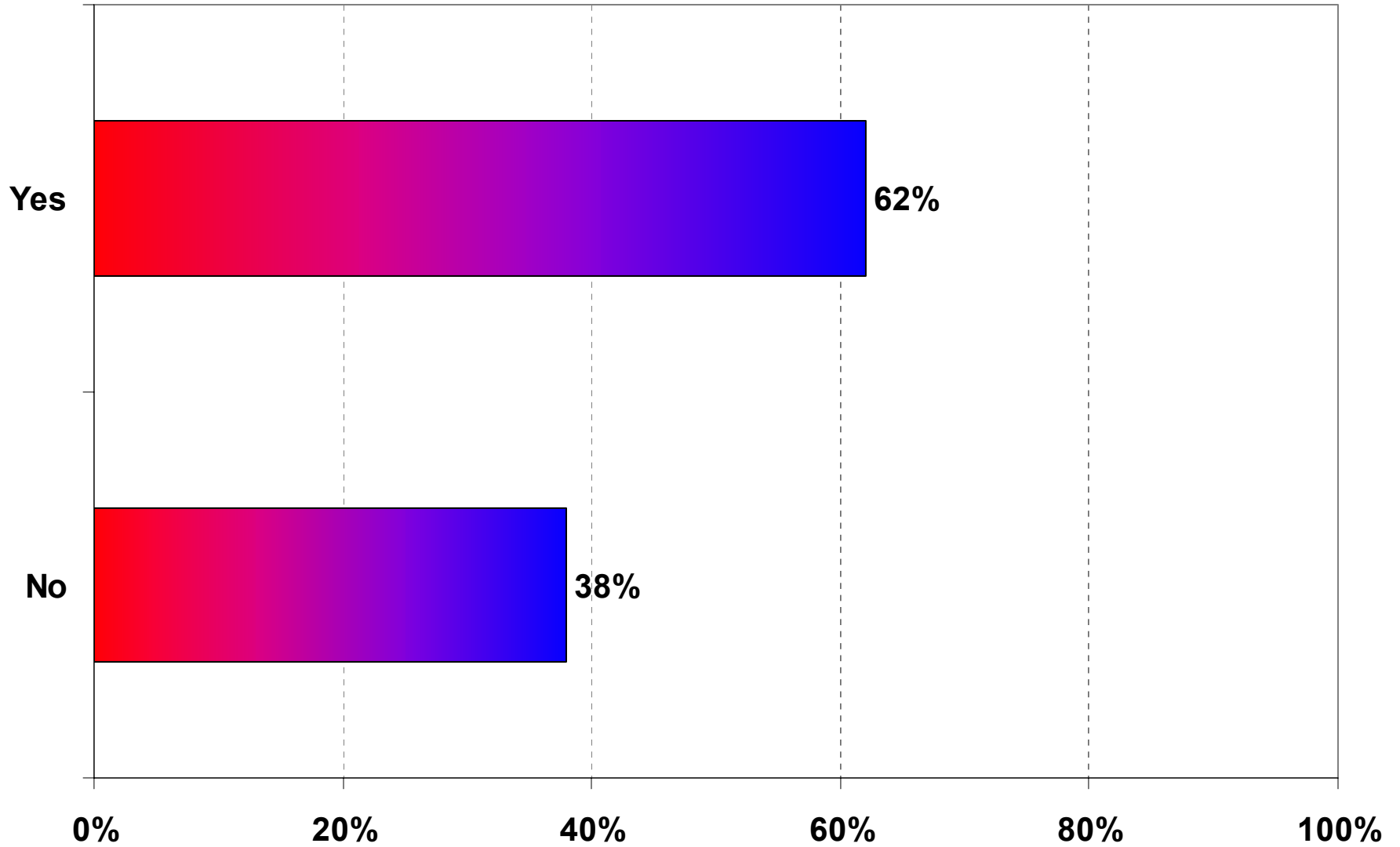
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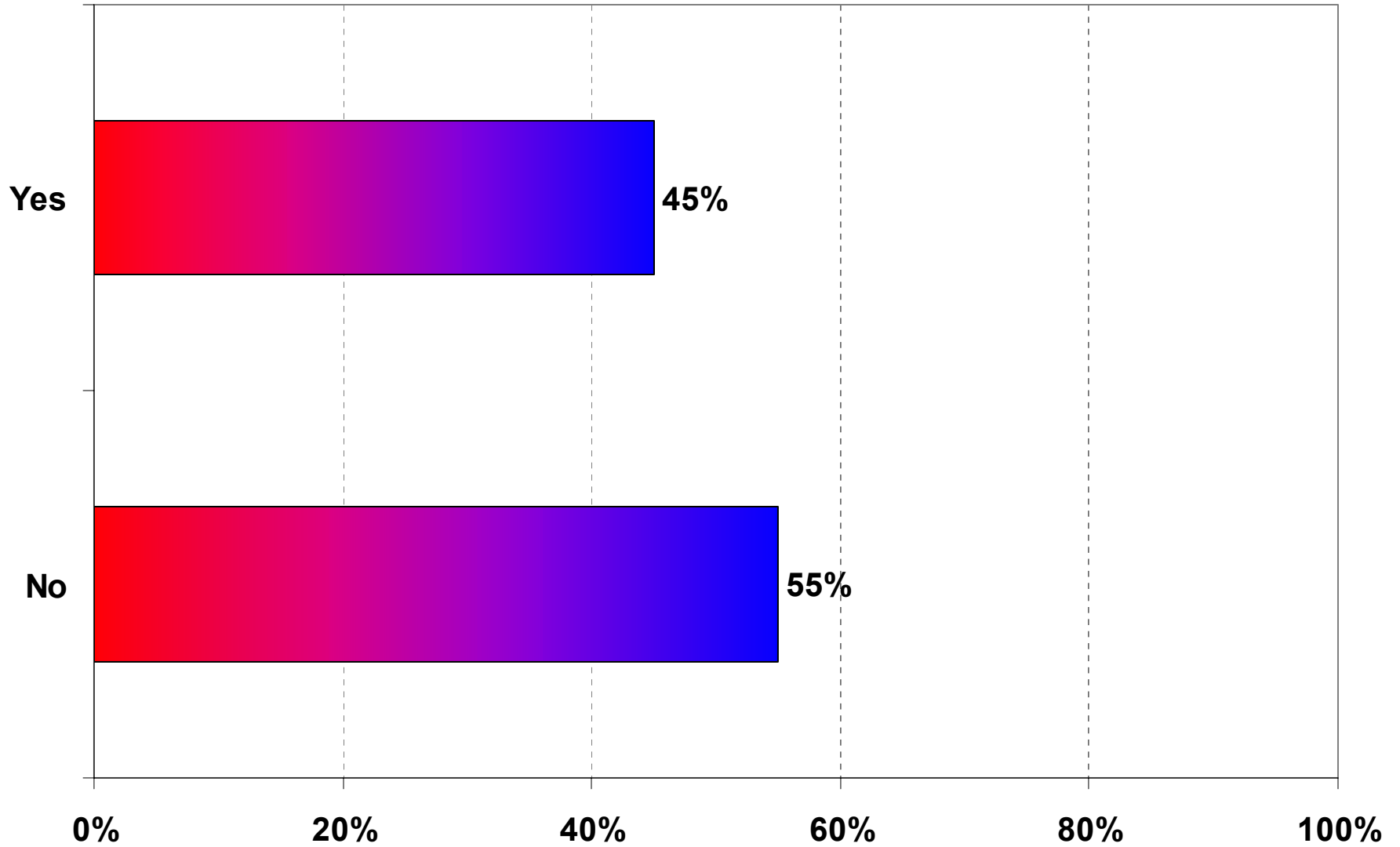
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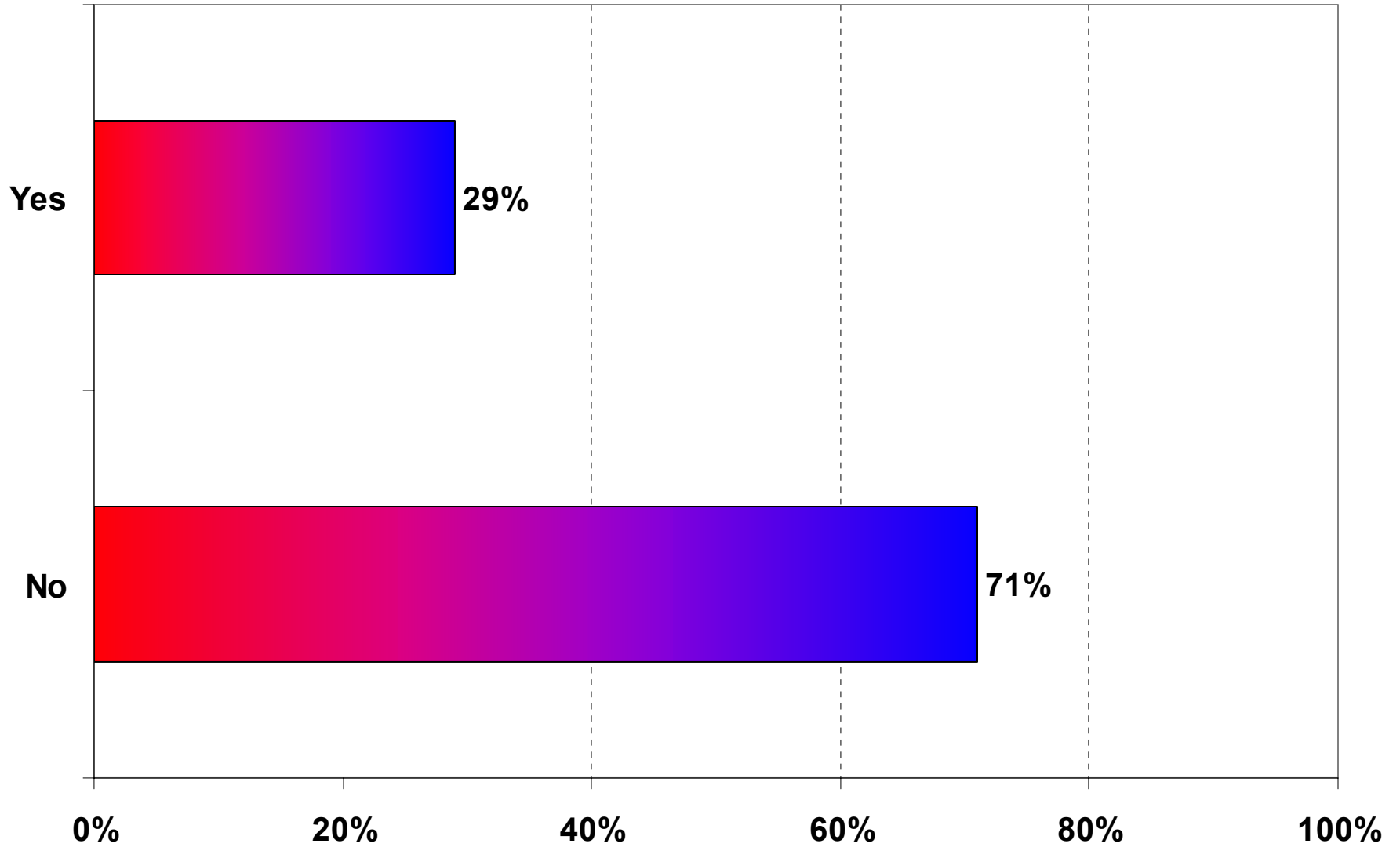
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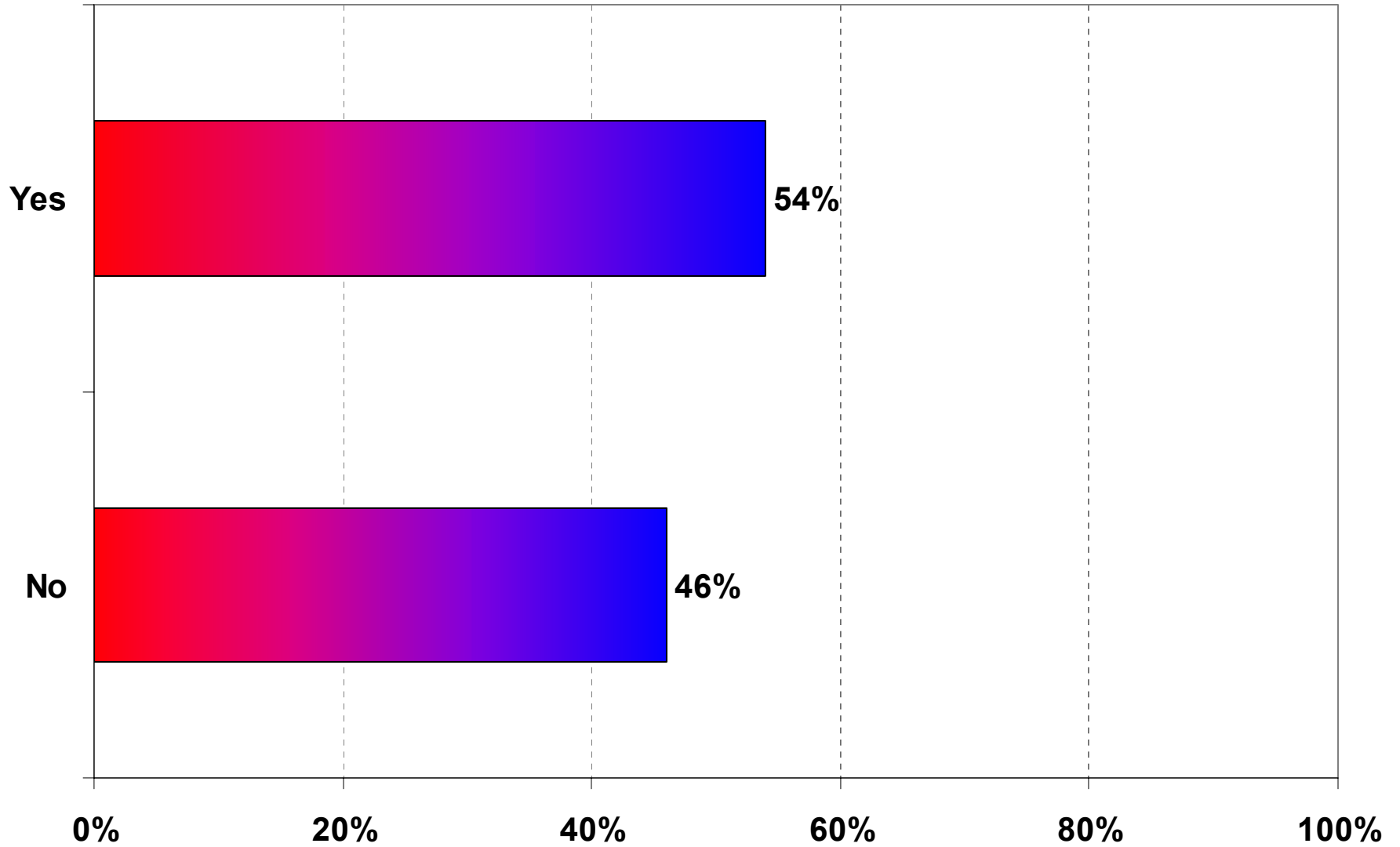
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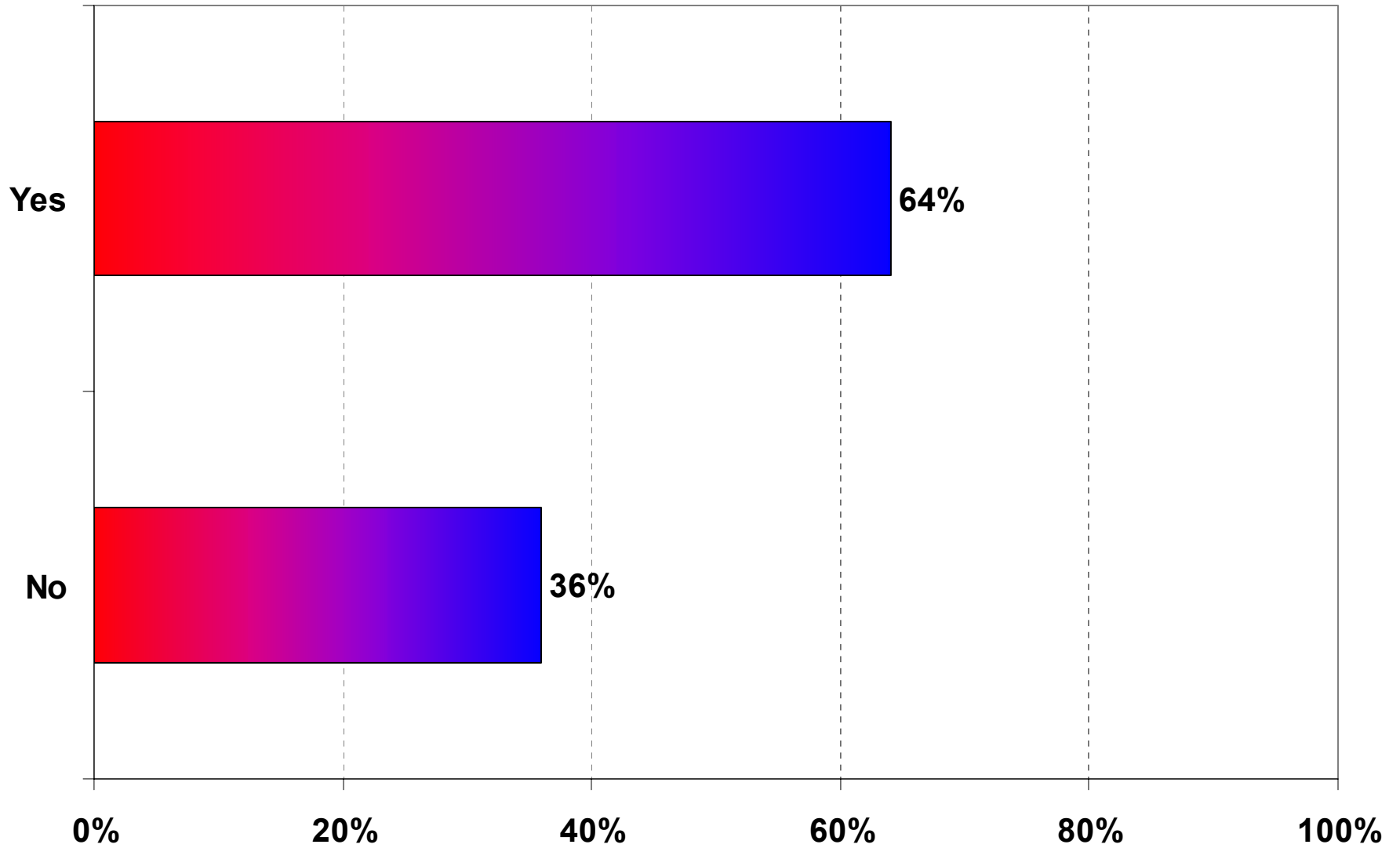
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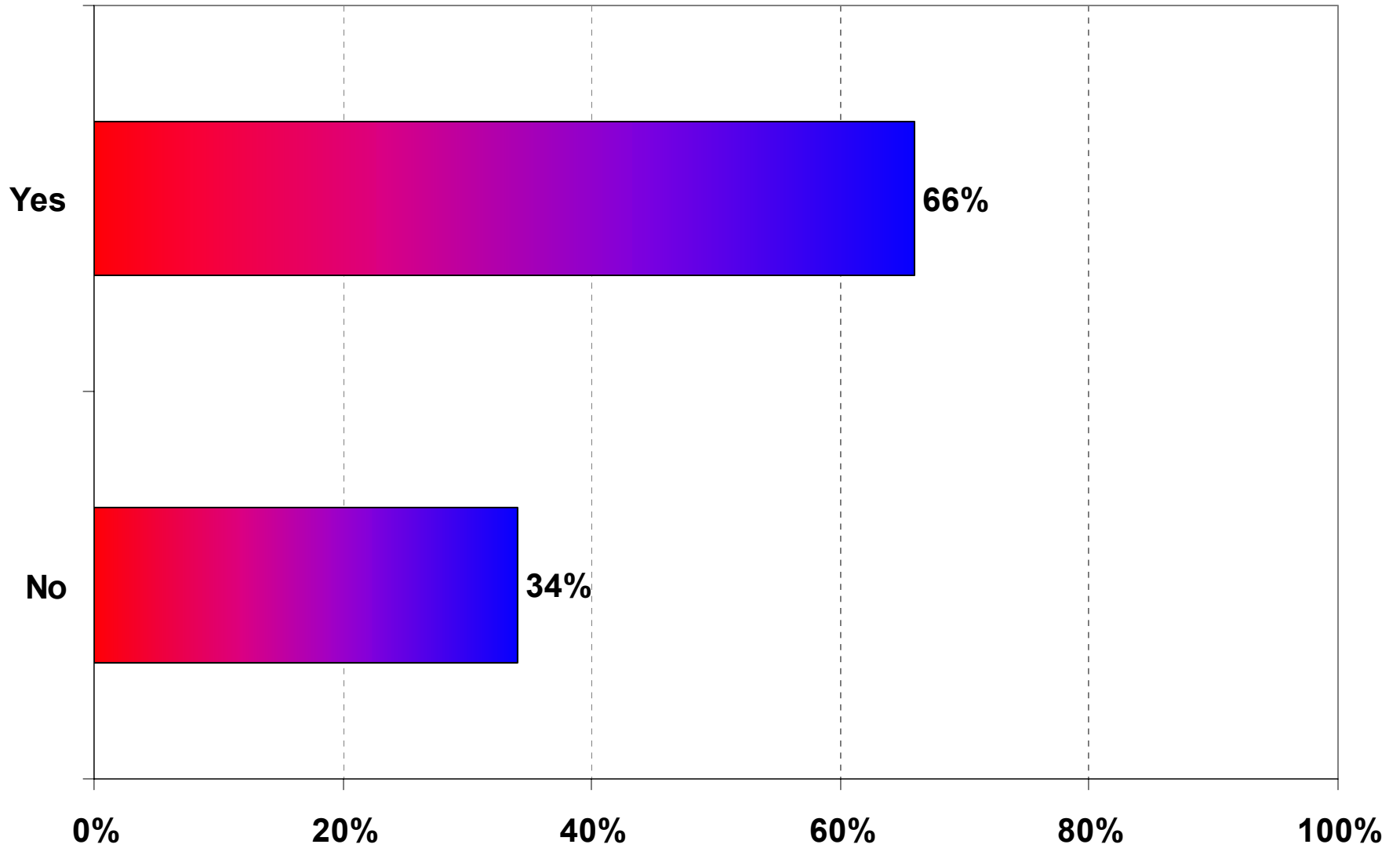
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Amendment No. 8

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