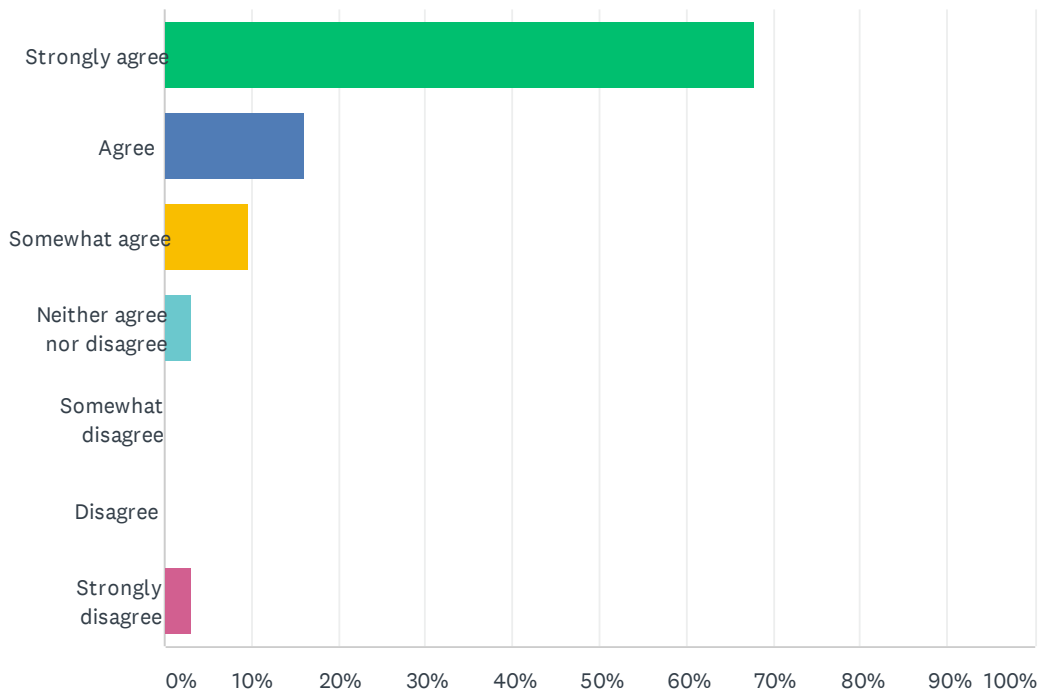


Q1 Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: "when a secretary of state publicly aligns with an active candidate, by publicly endorsing that candidate or taking a position with that candidate's campaign, voters become less confident in the impartiality of the election administration in the state."

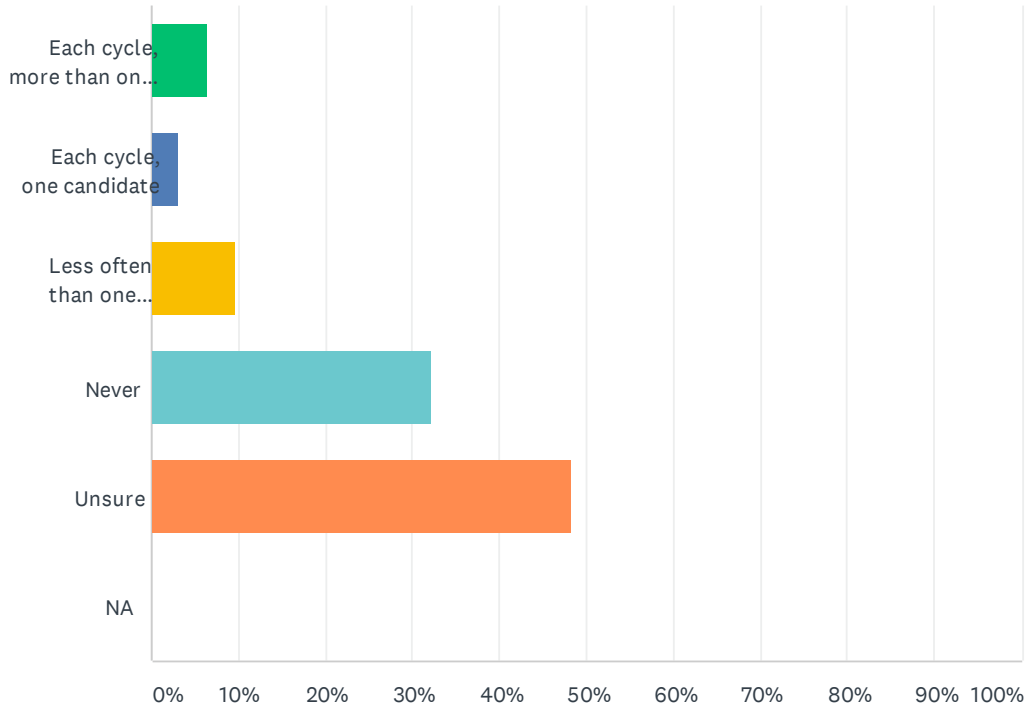
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly agree	67.74%	21
Agree	16.13%	5
Somewhat agree	9.68%	3
Neither agree nor disagree	3.23%	1
Somewhat disagree	0.00%	0
Disagree	0.00%	0
Strongly disagree	3.23%	1
TOTAL		31

Q2 How often do you estimate secretaries of state in your state have publicly endorsed candidates running in elections overseen by their office?

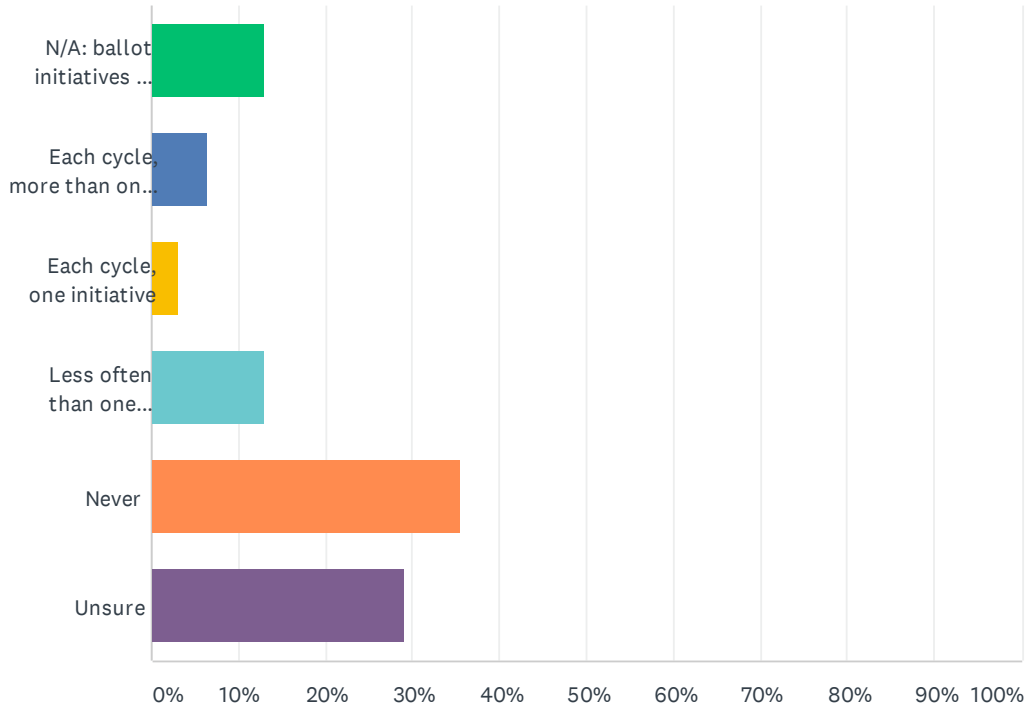
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Each cycle, more than one candidate	6.45%	2
Each cycle, one candidate	3.23%	1
Less often than one candidate each cycle	9.68%	3
Never	32.26%	10
Unsure	48.39%	15
NA	0.00%	0
TOTAL		31

Q3 How often do you estimate secretaries of state in your state have publicly endorsed a position on ballot initiatives overseen by their office?

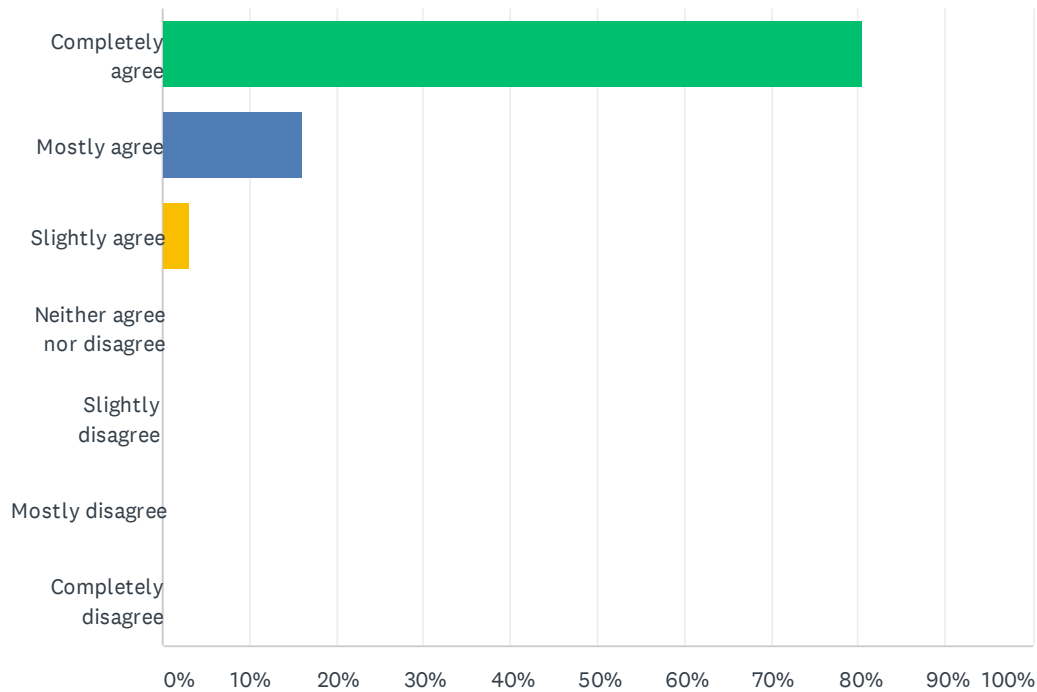
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
N/A: ballot initiatives are not used in my state	12.90%	4
Each cycle, more than one initiative	6.45%	2
Each cycle, one initiative	3.23%	1
Less often than one initiative each cycle	12.90%	4
Never	35.48%	11
Unsure	29.03%	9
TOTAL		31

Q4 Do you agree or disagree with the idea that Secretaries of State should not endorse candidates?

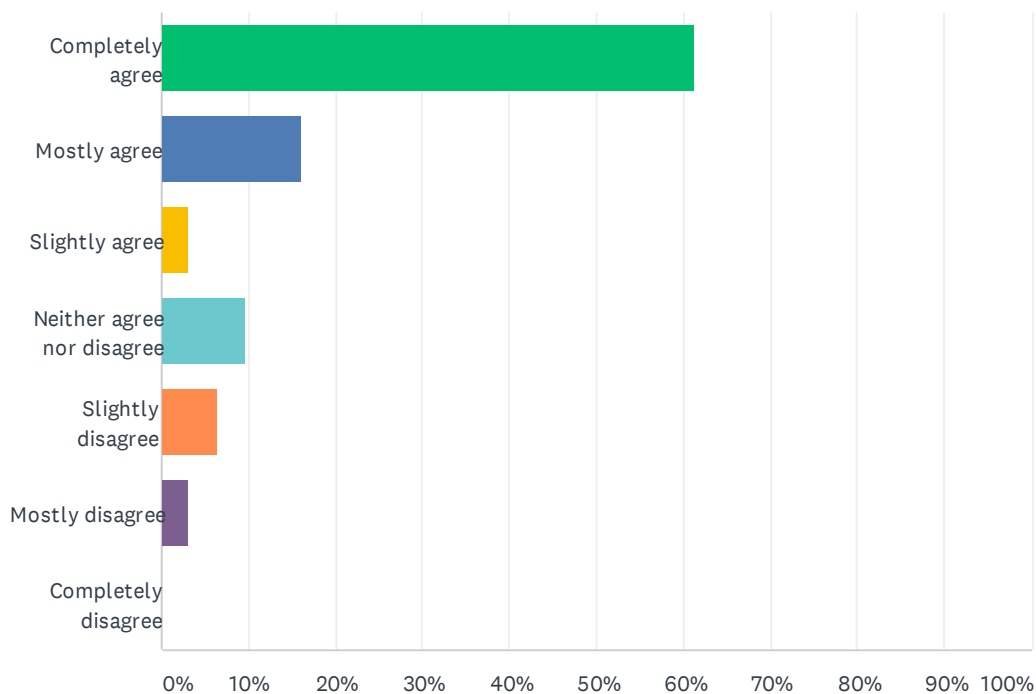
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Completely agree	80.65%	25
Mostly agree	16.13%	5
Slightly agree	3.23%	1
Neither agree nor disagree	0.00%	0
Slightly disagree	0.00%	0
Mostly disagree	0.00%	0
Completely disagree	0.00%	0
TOTAL		31

Q5 Do you agree or disagree with the idea that Secretaries of State should not endorse positions on ballot initiatives?

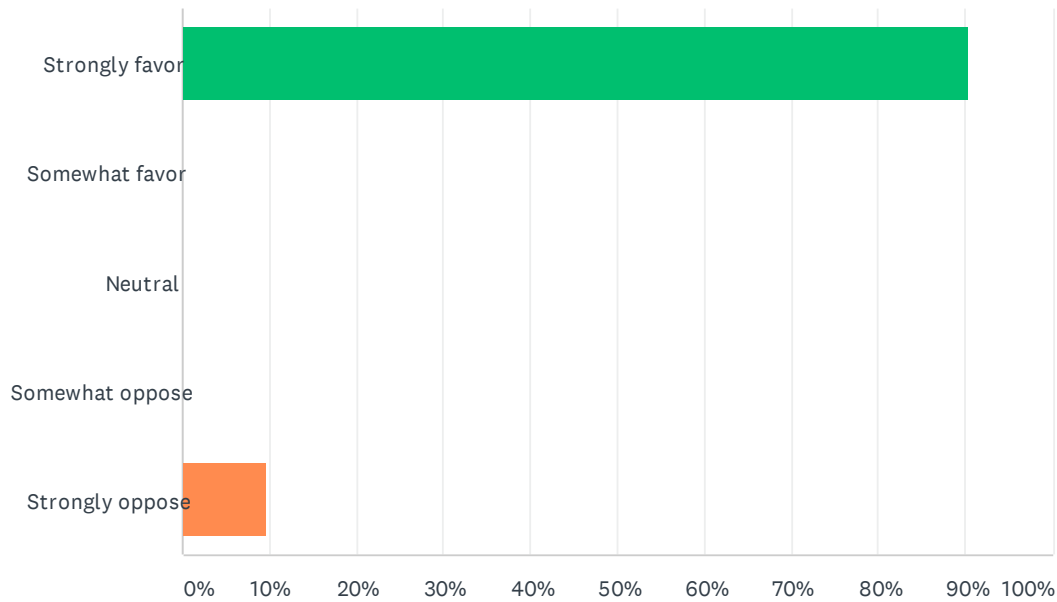
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Completely agree	61.29%	19
Mostly agree	16.13%	5
Slightly agree	3.23%	1
Neither agree nor disagree	9.68%	3
Slightly disagree	6.45%	2
Mostly disagree	3.23%	1
Completely disagree	0.00%	0
TOTAL		31

Q6 Do you favor or oppose policies preventing Secretaries of State from serving in official positions with campaigns?

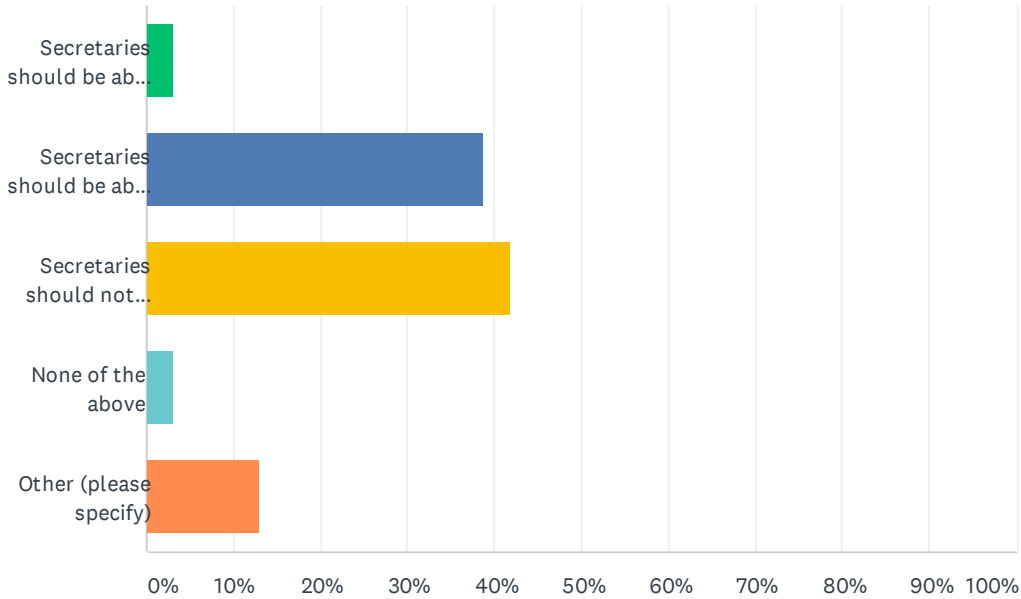
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly favor	90.32%	28
Somewhat favor	0.00%	0
Neutral	0.00%	0
Somewhat oppose	0.00%	0
Strongly oppose	9.68%	3
TOTAL		31

Q7 Which of the following policies is closest to your view regarding a Secretary of State participating in party fundraising events?

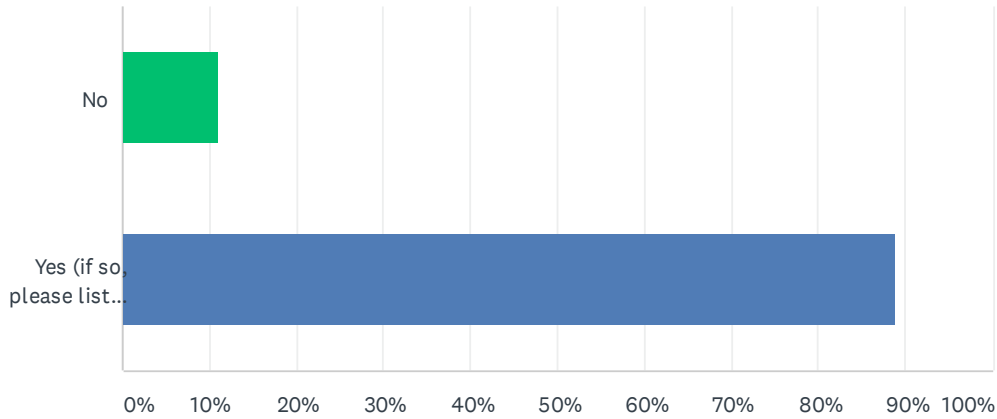
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Secretaries should be able to attend such events and speak as they please	3.23%	1
Secretaries should be able to attend such events but should not take a public position at such events on candidates in any race they administer	38.71%	12
Secretaries should not attend such events	41.94%	13
None of the above	3.23%	1
Other (please specify)	12.90%	4
TOTAL		31

Q8 In recent years, concern has been raised in the media about situations of conflict of interest, or perceived conflict of interest, that could warrant recusal by a secretary of state. In your opinion are there situations that warrant secretary of state recusal?

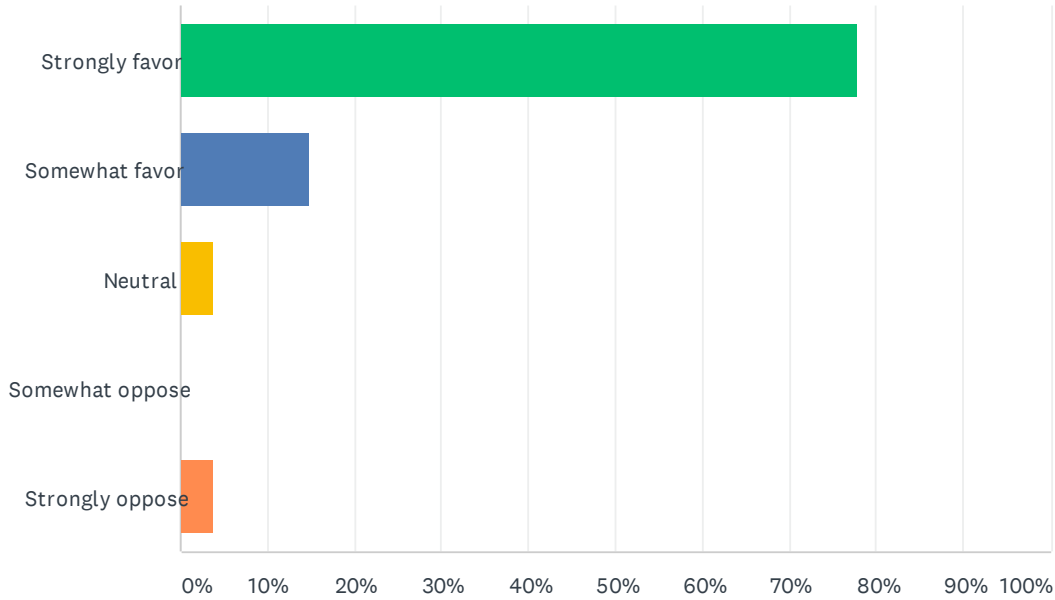
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
No	11.11%	3
Yes (if so, please list here situations you believe warrant recusal)	88.89%	24
TOTAL		27

Q9 What would be your opinion of a voluntary code of conduct or statement of principles among secretaries of state, outlining best practices regarding issues such as candidate endorsements?

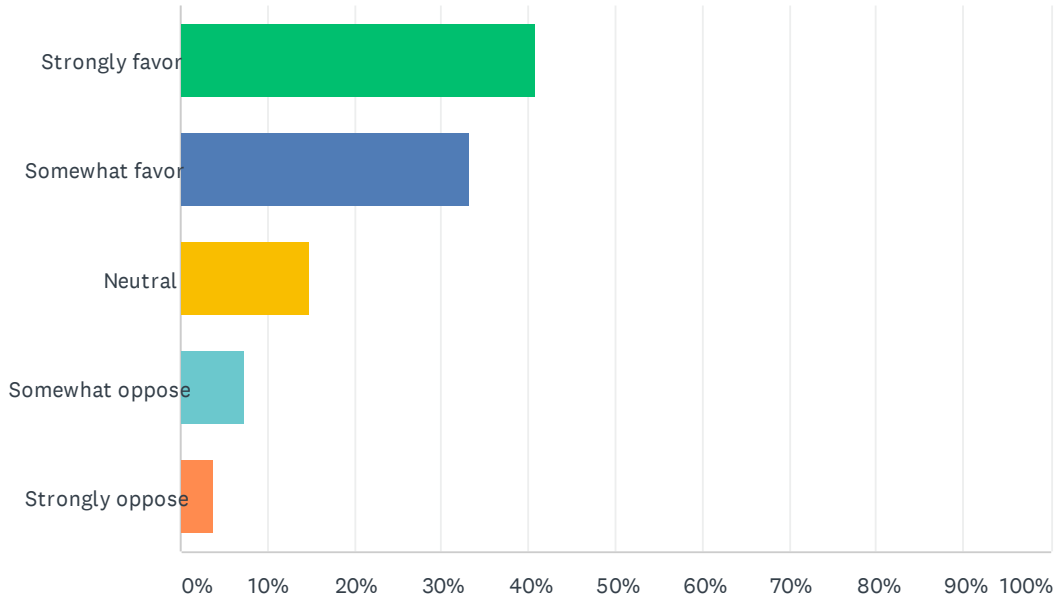
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly favor	77.78%	21
Somewhat favor	14.81%	4
Neutral	3.70%	1
Somewhat oppose	0.00%	0
Strongly oppose	3.70%	1
TOTAL		27

Q10 This session, legislation has been introduced in New Mexico and Kansas proposing that secretaries of state be elected in nonpartisan elections. Do you favor or oppose this idea in principle?

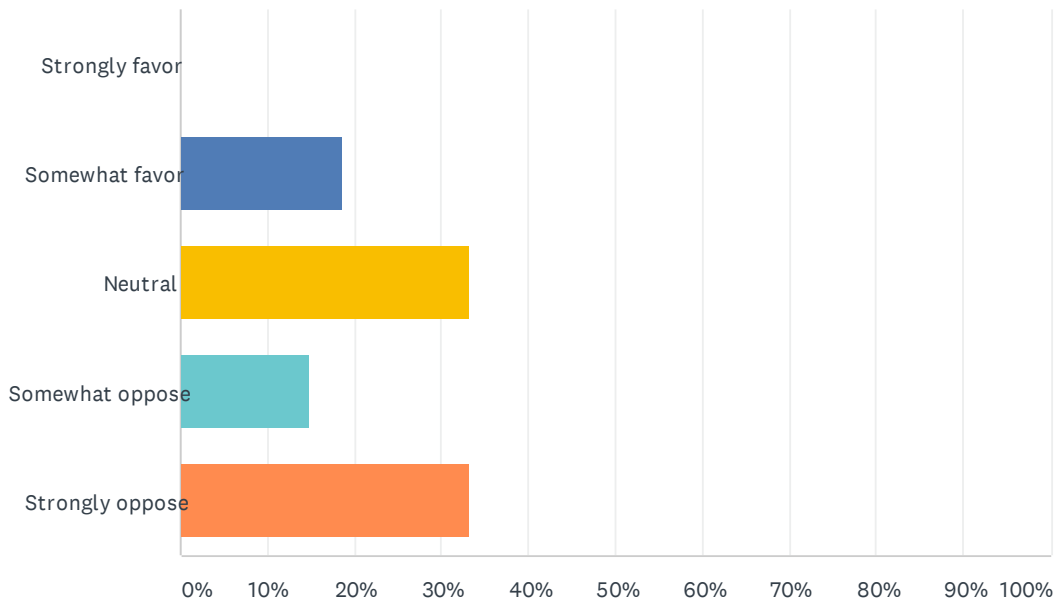
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly favor	40.74%	11
Somewhat favor	33.33%	9
Neutral	14.81%	4
Somewhat oppose	7.41%	2
Strongly oppose	3.70%	1
TOTAL		27

Q11 Some election law scholars have written that the optimal mechanism for selecting secretaries of state to avoid concerns about partisanship would be for secretaries of state to be appointed by governors and approved by state legislatures by a supermajority. Do you favor or oppose this idea in principle?

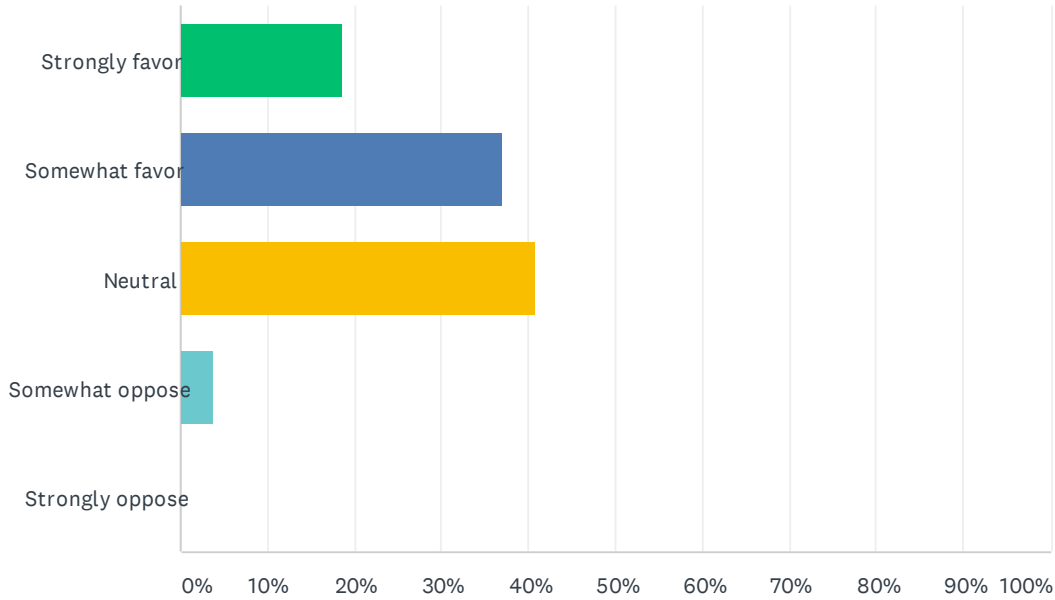
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly favor	0.00%	0
Somewhat favor	18.52%	5
Neutral	33.33%	9
Somewhat oppose	14.81%	4
Strongly oppose	33.33%	9
TOTAL		27

Q12 What is your view of creating a new statewide office to take over election supervision, instead of combining elections with other roles, as is the case now for most secretaries of state?

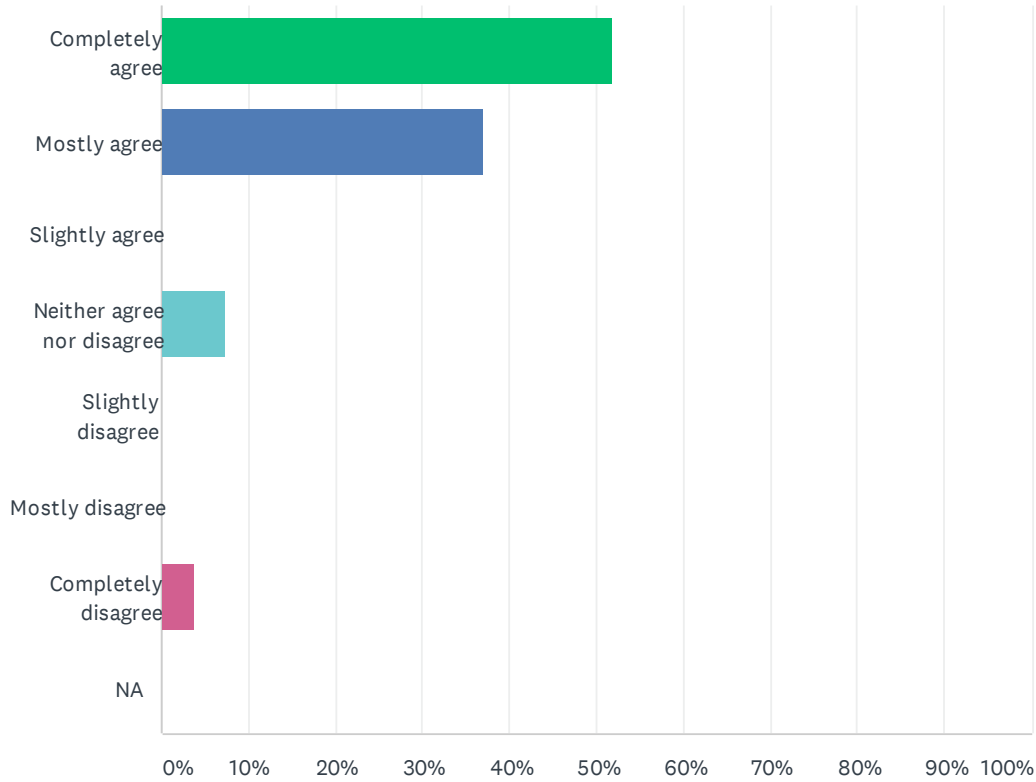
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly favor	18.52%	5
Somewhat favor	37.04%	10
Neutral	40.74%	11
Somewhat oppose	3.70%	1
Strongly oppose	0.00%	0
TOTAL		27

Q13 Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with this statement: "Decisions taken by secretaries of state in my state can meaningfully increase or decrease voter participation."

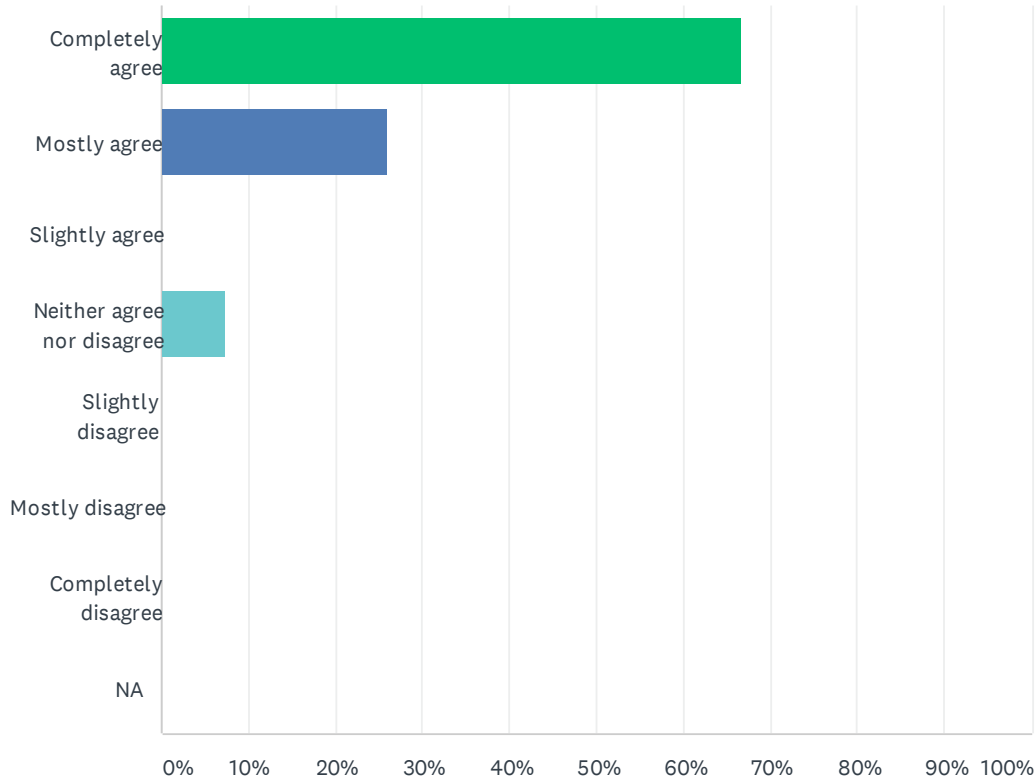
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Completely agree	51.85%	14
Mostly agree	37.04%	10
Slightly agree	0.00%	0
Neither agree nor disagree	7.41%	2
Slightly disagree	0.00%	0
Mostly disagree	0.00%	0
Completely disagree	3.70%	1
NA	0.00%	0
TOTAL		27

Q14 Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with this statement: "Decisions taken by secretaries of state in my state can meaningfully increase or decrease voter confidence."

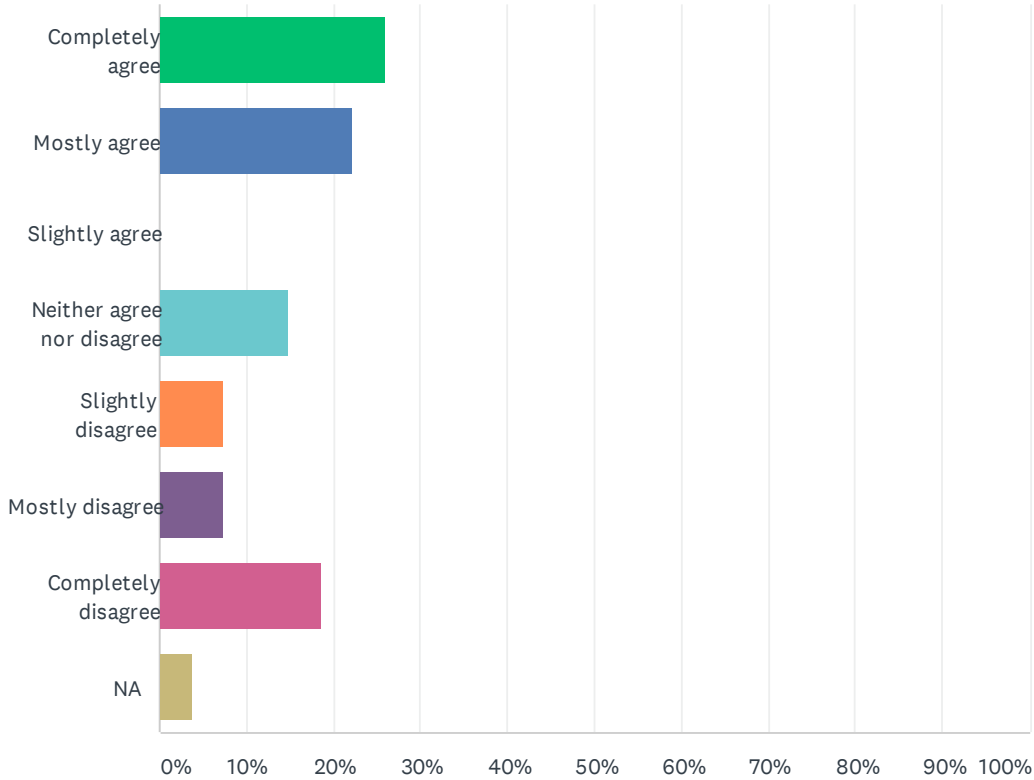
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Completely agree	66.67%	18
Mostly agree	25.93%	7
Slightly agree	0.00%	0
Neither agree nor disagree	7.41%	2
Slightly disagree	0.00%	0
Mostly disagree	0.00%	0
Completely disagree	0.00%	0
NA	0.00%	0
TOTAL		27

Q15 Opinions differ on whether or not secretaries of state can hypothetically take advantage of being in an election administrative function to impact the results of elections in which they are candidates. Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with this statement: “The Secretary of State in my state does not have the ability to impact the results of even a very close election.”

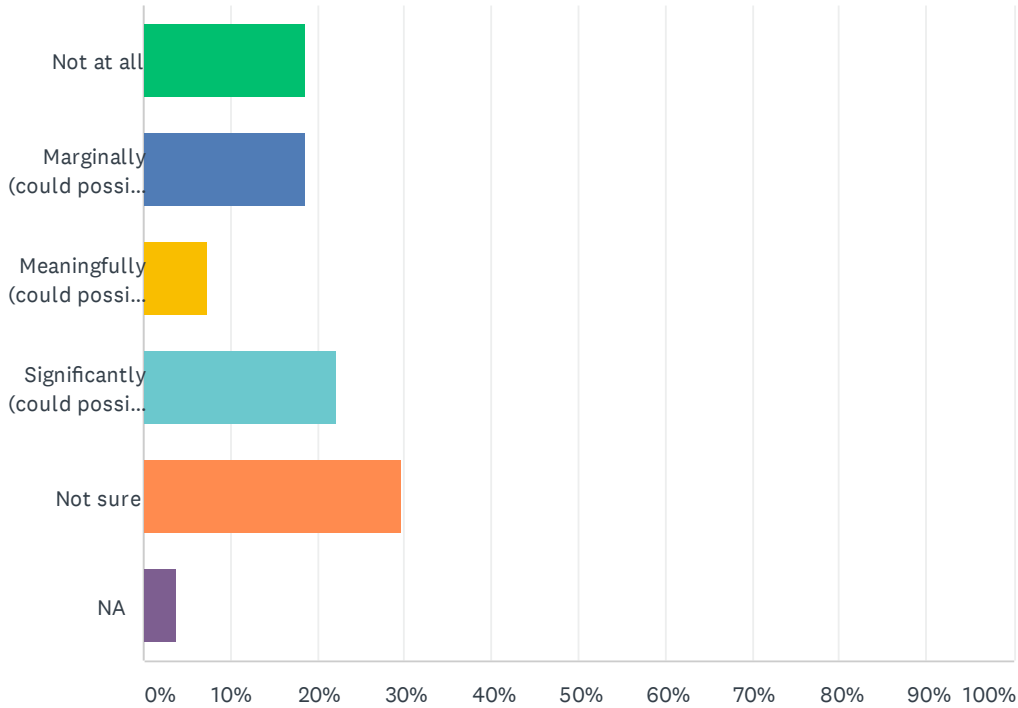
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Completely agree	25.93%	7
Mostly agree	22.22%	6
Slightly agree	0.00%	0
Neither agree nor disagree	14.81%	4
Slightly disagree	7.41%	2
Mostly disagree	7.41%	2
Completely disagree	18.52%	5
NA	3.70%	1
TOTAL		27

Q16 How much do you estimate that a Secretary of State in your state could impact the results of an election to his/her benefit if he/she so chose?

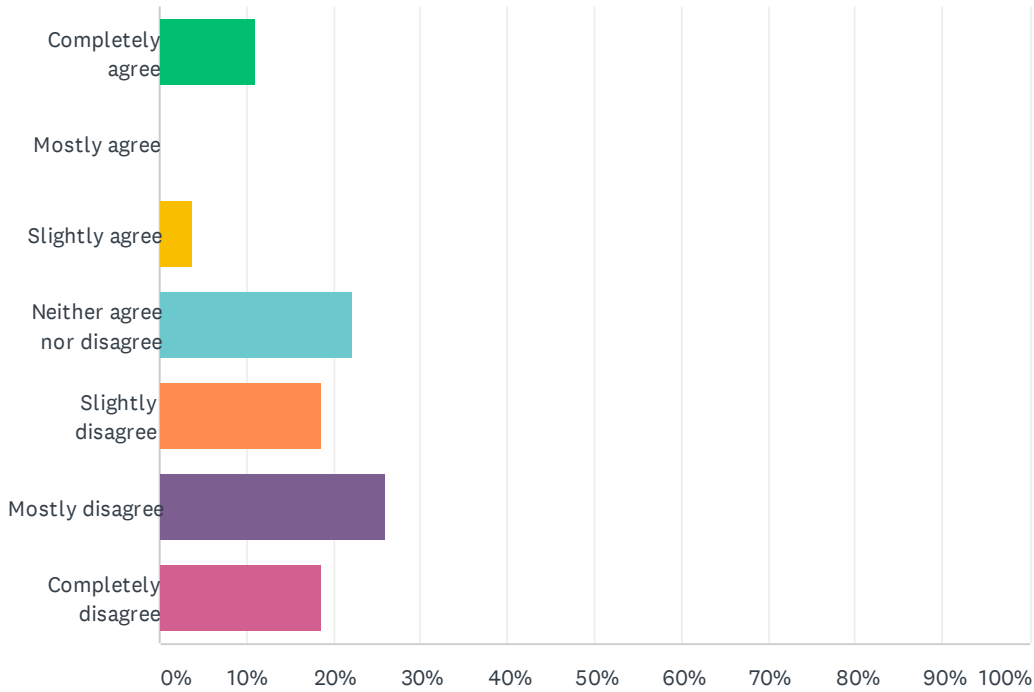
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Not at all	18.52%	5
Marginally (could possibly increase his/her vote share by up to 1%)	18.52%	5
Meaningfully (could possibly increase his/her vote share by up to 2%)	7.41%	2
Significantly (could possibly increase his/her vote share by up to 3% or more)	22.22%	6
Not sure	29.63%	8
NA	3.70%	1
TOTAL		27

Q17 Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with this statement. “Accountability to the electorate via partisan elections is the most effective means to ensure secretaries of state appropriately manage any conflicts of interest.”

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Completely agree	11.11% 3
Mostly agree	0.00% 0
Slightly agree	3.70% 1
Neither agree nor disagree	22.22% 6
Slightly disagree	18.52% 5
Mostly disagree	25.93% 7
Completely disagree	18.52% 5
TOTAL	27

Q18 Please enter your U.S. state:

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