

Public Support for Government Action on Toxic Chemicals & Plastic Pollution

Environmental Defence Canada

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Methodology

The survey was conducted with 1,200 adult Canadians over the age of 18 from April 14 to 16, 2025. A random sample of panelists were invited to complete the survey from a set of partner panels based on the Lucid exchange platform. These partners are typically double opt-in survey panels, blended to manage out potential skews in the data from a single source.

The margin of error for a comparable probability-based random sample of the same size is +/- 2.82%, 19 times out of 20.

The data were weighted according to census data to ensure that the sample matched Canada's population according to age, gender, educational attainment, and region. Totals may not add up to 100 due to rounding.

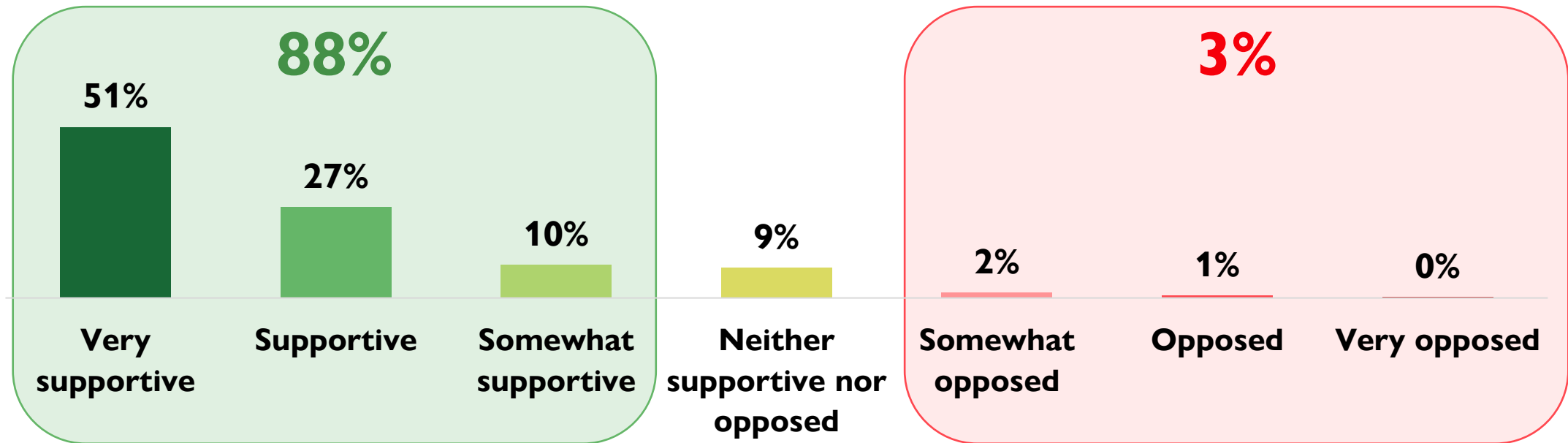




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There are over 350,000 chemicals in production and use, and many of these are linked to human health and environmental harms or have never been assessed. Some companies have already started to change their formulas and get these chemicals out of their products, but it's only on a voluntary basis.



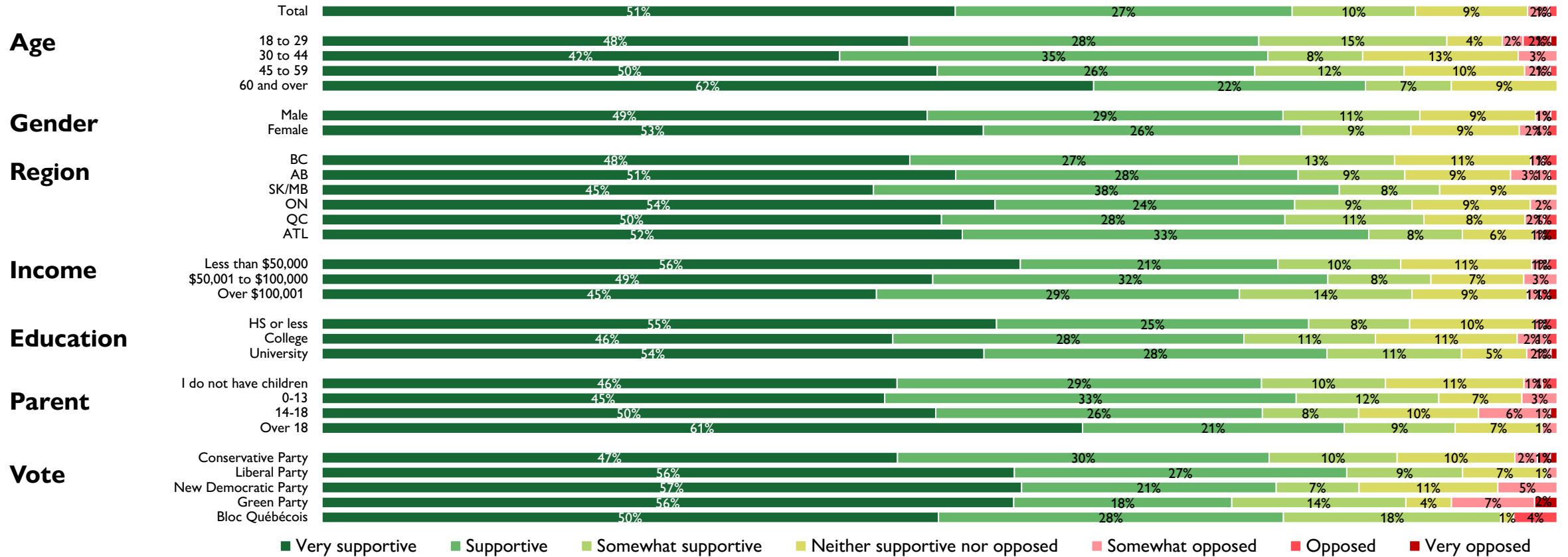
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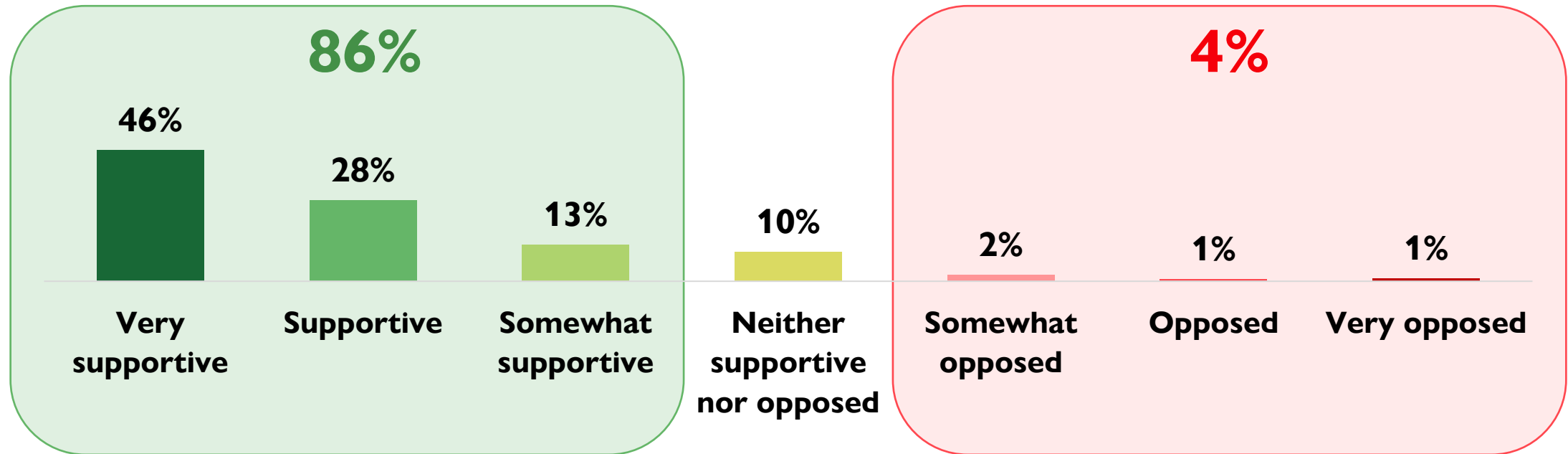
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Vast majority (86%) support the government of Canada stepping in to stop plastic pollution, both in Canada and around the world with international allies.

Plastic pollution contaminates air, water and food and has been found in human lungs, brain, heart, testicles and placenta, posing a hazard to our health. It is recognized as an environmental crisis in Canada and around the world.



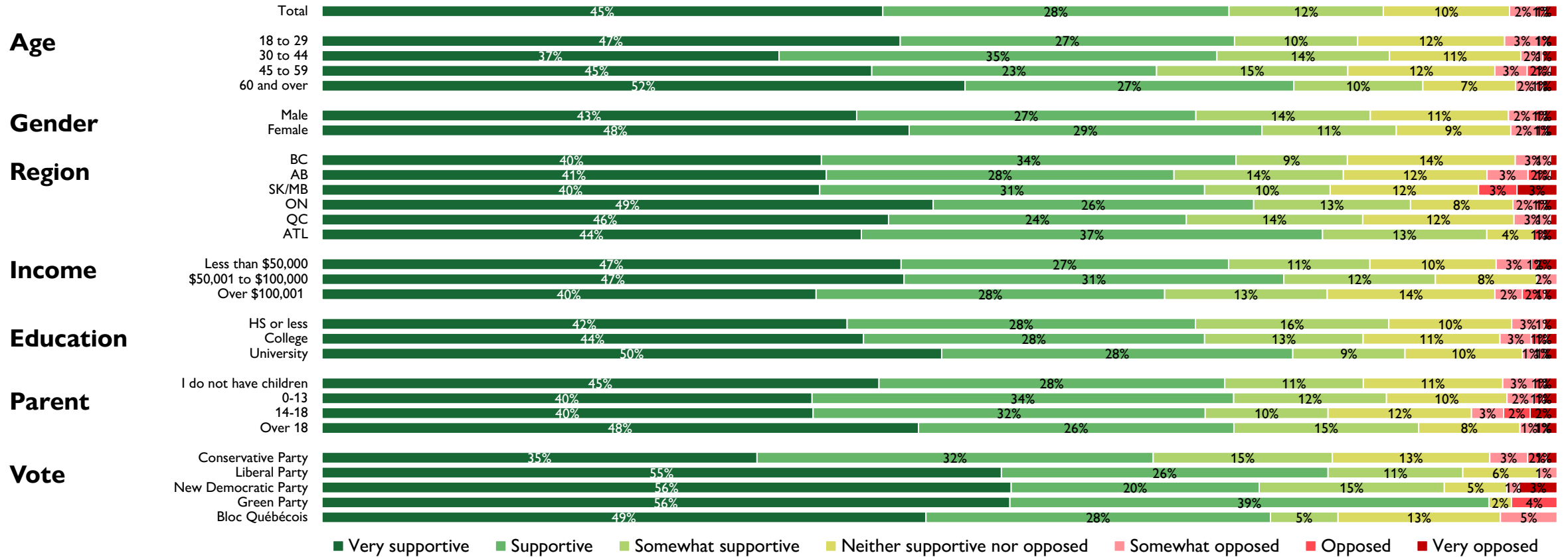
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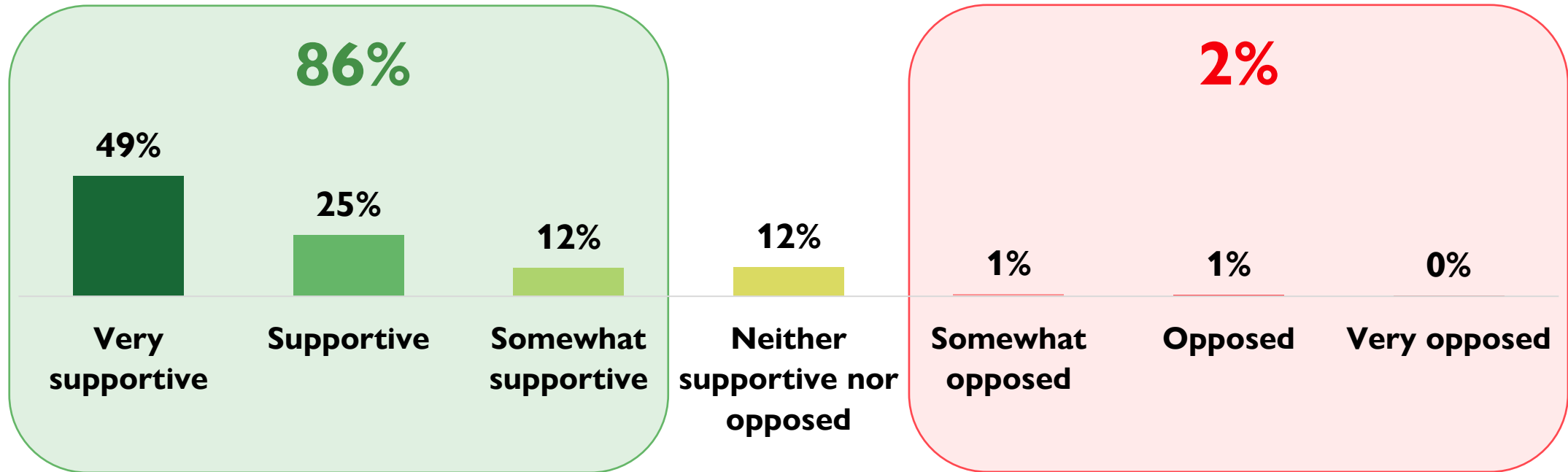
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How supportive are you of federal regulations to phase PFAS out of consumer products?

Most (86%) support federal regulations to phase PFAS out of consumer products.

PFAS, also known as forever chemicals, are found in a variety of everyday consumer products. When we use or touch products that contain PFAS, breathe PFAS-contaminated air, or drink PFAS-contaminated water, these chemicals enter our bodies and accumulate. 98.5 per cent of Canadians have PFAS in their blood. PFAS have been linked to a range of health harms including cancers, diabetes, reproductive harms, kidney and liver damage, and high cholesterol. The chemicals industry has known about the health harms of PFAS for decades, but did not disclose this or switch to safer chemicals.



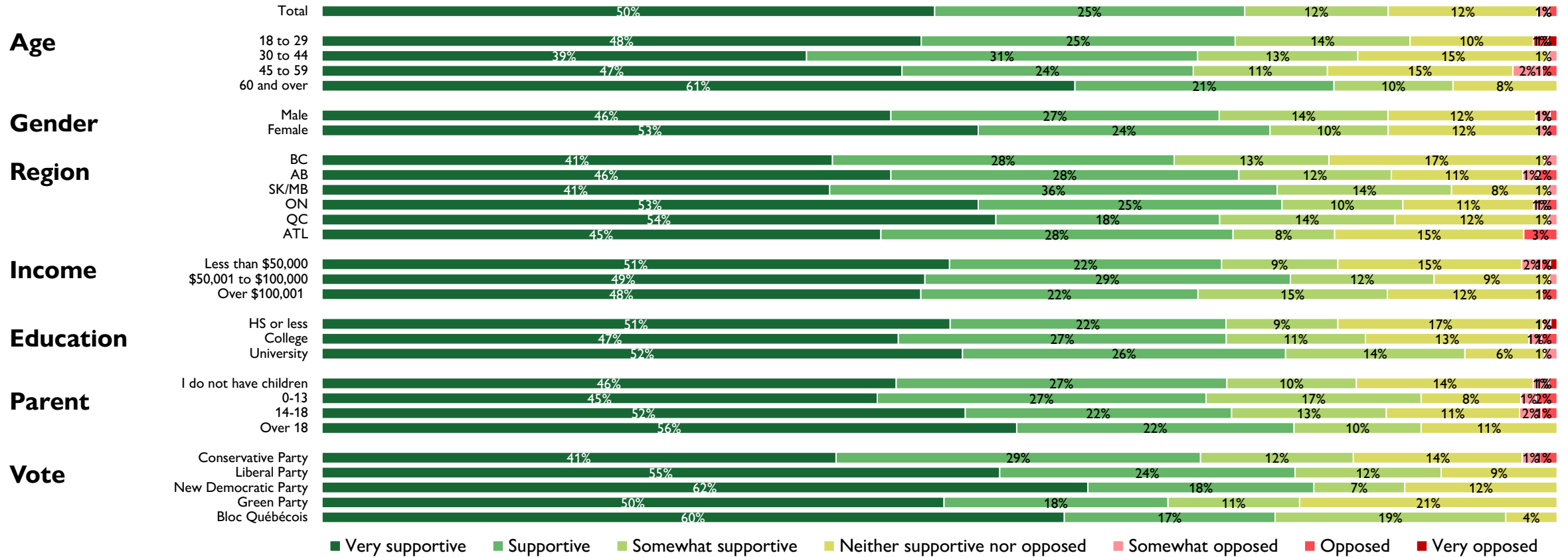
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Good data drives success.

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