

National Opinion Poll
“100 Days of Government”
22nd June 2011

Irish Independent 

- A National Public Opinion Poll was conducted on behalf of The Irish Independent to be published on Wednesday 22nd and Thursday 23rd June 2011.
- The topics covered were current party standings, Satisfaction with Government and Satisfaction with Party Leaders and the President. In addition, opinions on the forthcoming Presidential Election nominations and campaign were sought, along with an appraisal of party policies and performance since the inception of the new government, the Queen's visit and the future of the Seanad.
- Due to events whilst polling was taking place i.e. Labour Presidential Election candidate selection, and the entry of Avril Doyle into the Fine Gael race for Presidency, results are split between interviews conducted on Saturday 18th and Monday 20th where applicable.
- 1,035 Interviews were conducted face-to-face, in-home, with those aged 18+.
- Quota controls were set on gender, age, social class and region to mirror the 18+ population profile.
- Interviewing was conducted at 93 sampling points nationwide.
- Interviews were carried out on Saturday 18th and Monday 20th June 2011.
- Data was weighted to reflect the adult population aged 18+.



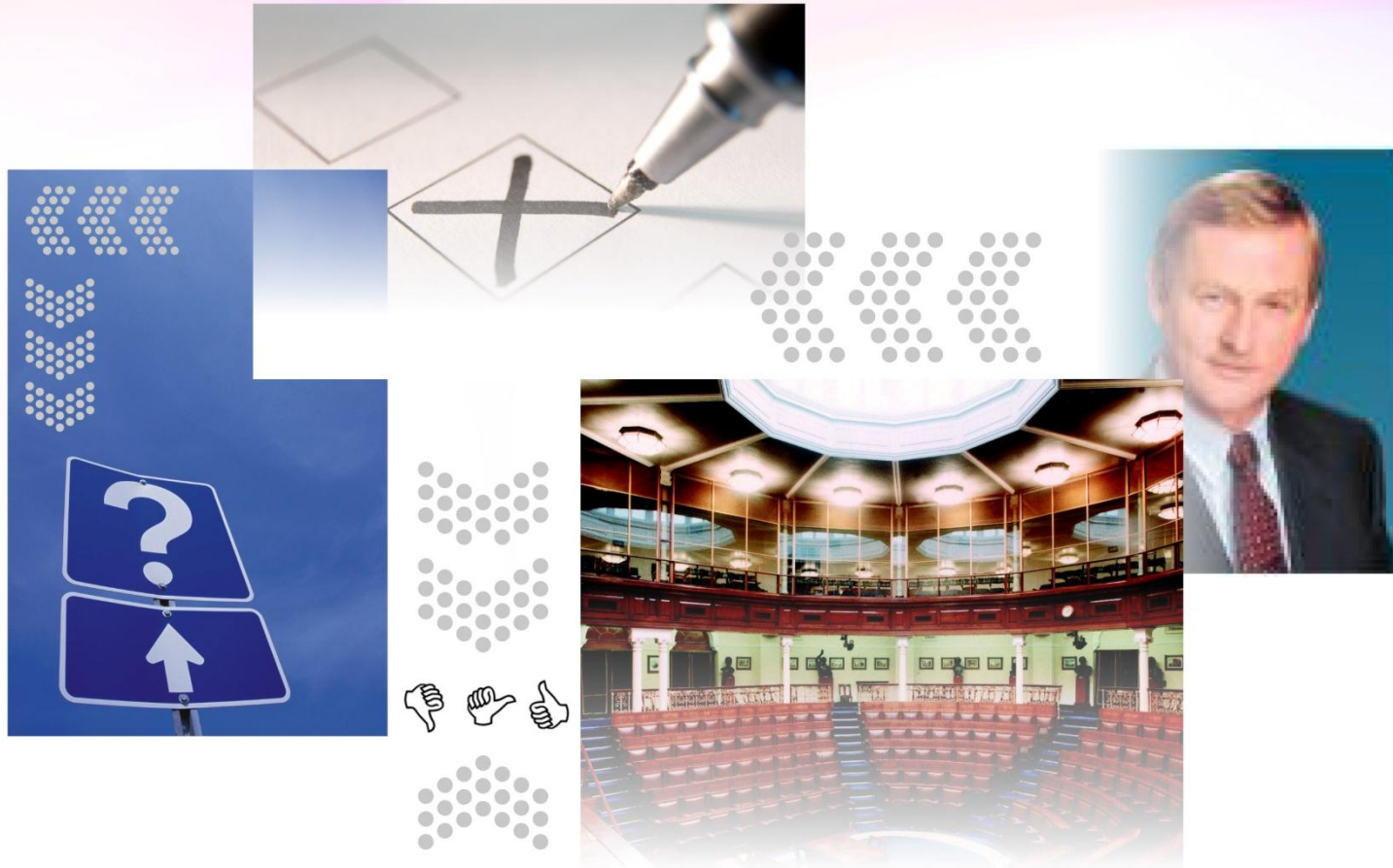
The survey results presented here are derived from The Independent Newspaper Group/Millward Brown Lansdowne Poll. The poll was conducted among a sample of 1,035 adults representative of the approximate 3.35 million adults aged 18 and over - interviewed on a face-to-face basis in the home at 93 sampling points throughout all constituencies in the Republic of Ireland.

Interviewing on the poll was carried out on Saturday 18th and Monday 20th June 2011.

The poll was conducted in accordance with the guidelines set by ESOMAR and AIMRO (European and Irish Market and Opinion Research governing bodies). Extracts from the report may be quoted or published on condition that due acknowledgement is given to Millward Brown Lansdowne and The Irish Independent.

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**Data was weighted at the analysis stage to represent the adult population aged 18+ years*

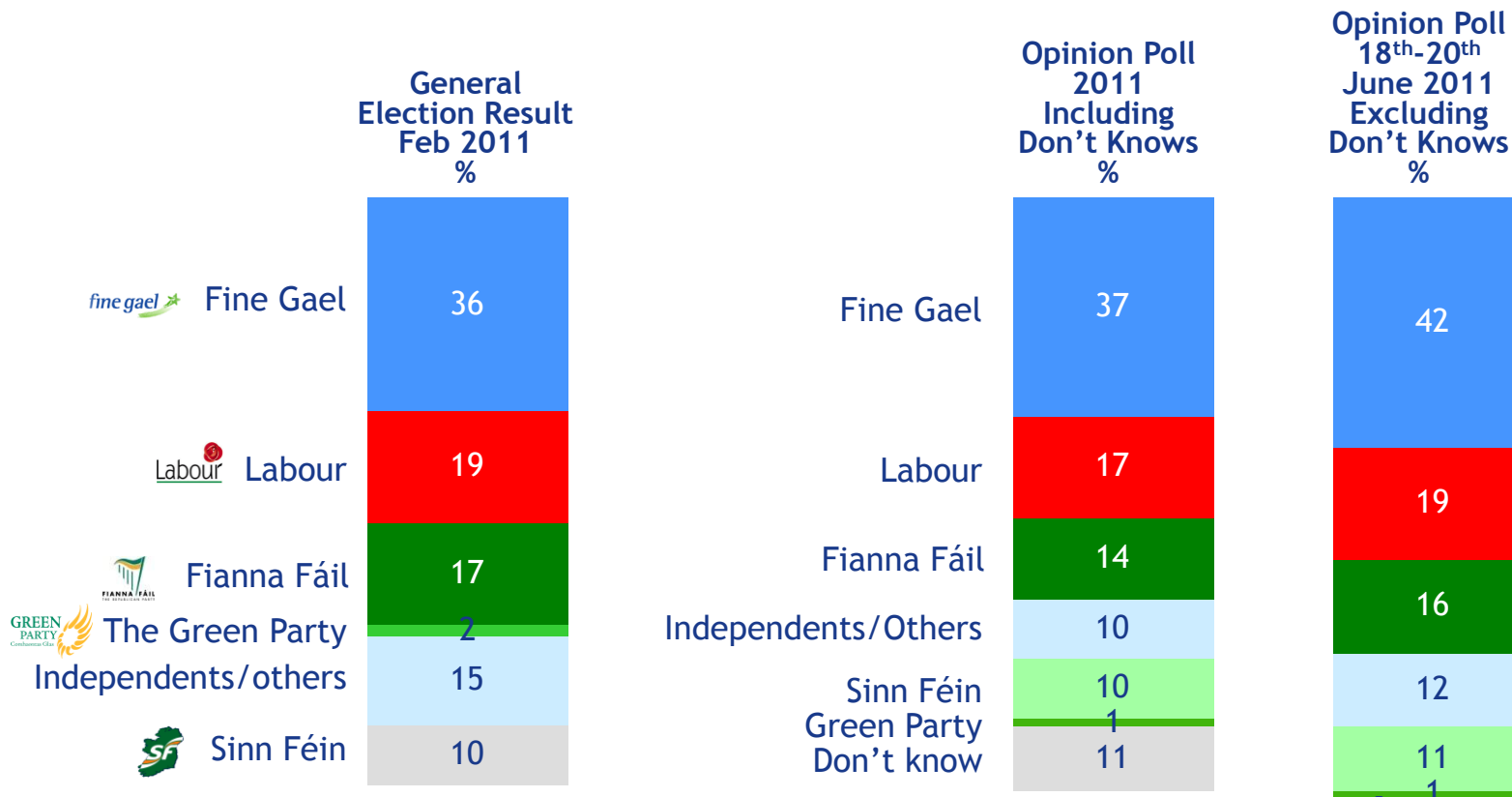


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Party Support - First Preference - Including Don't Knows

Base: All Aged 18+



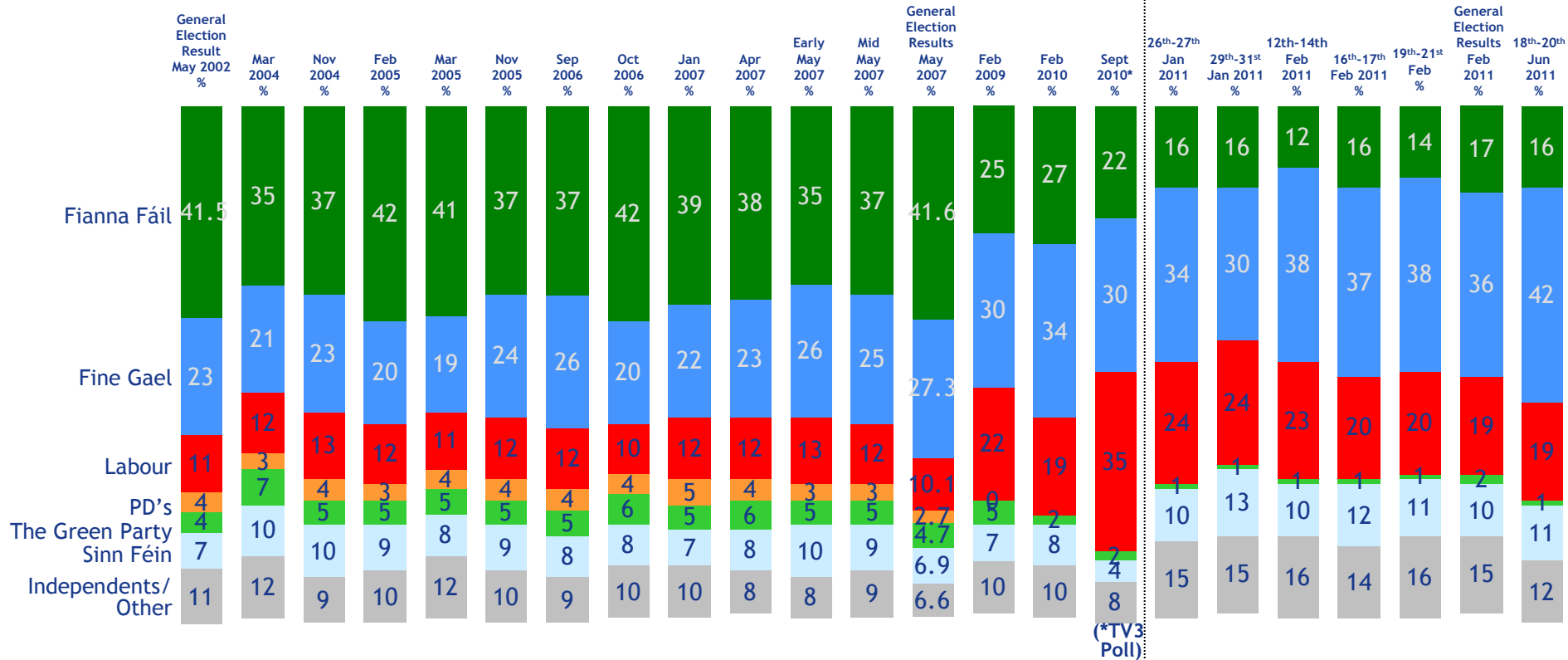
Q. If a General Election were to take place tomorrow, to which Party or independent candidate would you give your **first preference** vote?

Q. To which Party or independent candidate would you be **most inclined** to give your first preference vote?






Trends in Party Support

Base: All Aged 18+

Millward Brown Lansdowne Polls Excluding 'Don't knows' *



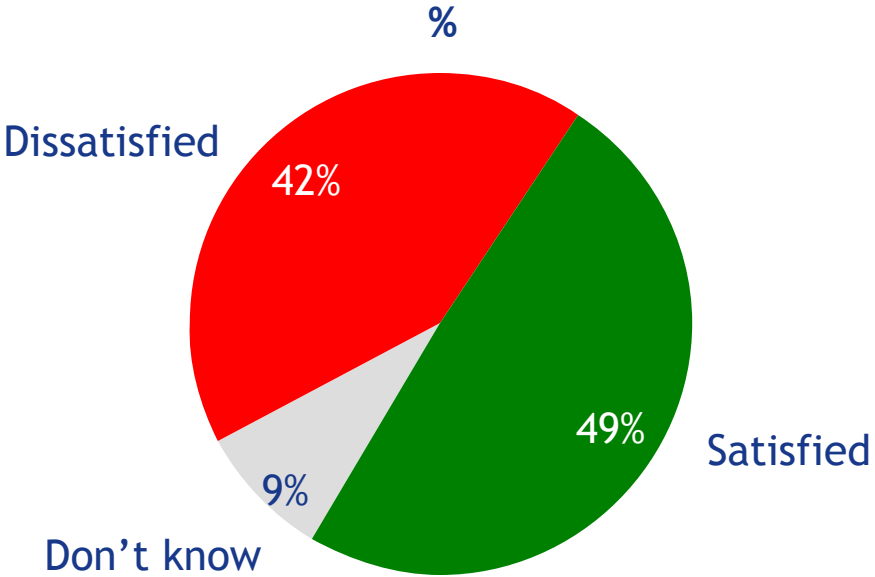
In relation to Polls from March 2004 to February 2009, an adjustment was made to account for over statement among particular parties. This adjustment is not deemed relevant for this latest Opinion Poll.

		Dublin	Rest of Leinster	Munster	Conn/Ulster
Fine Gael 	42%	40%	44%	45%	40%
Labour 	19%	30%	21%	12%	12%
Fianna Fáil 	16%	9%	18%	17%	20%
Sinn Féin 	11%	10%	8%	10%	18%
Independents/Others	12%	12%	8%	16%	11%
Green Party 	1%	1%	1%	1%	*

Voted in Feb 2011 → Now ↓	Fianna Fáil	Fine Gael	Labour	Sinn Féin	Independent /Other
Fianna Fáil	77%	4%	4%	1%	3%
Fine Gael	7%	86%	10%	8%	13%
Labour	6%	5%	76%	2%	11%
Sinn Féin	3%	3%	2%	87%	3%
Independents	7%	2%	7%	2%	70%
Greens	-	-	1%	-	1%

Satisfaction with Government

Base: All Aged 18+

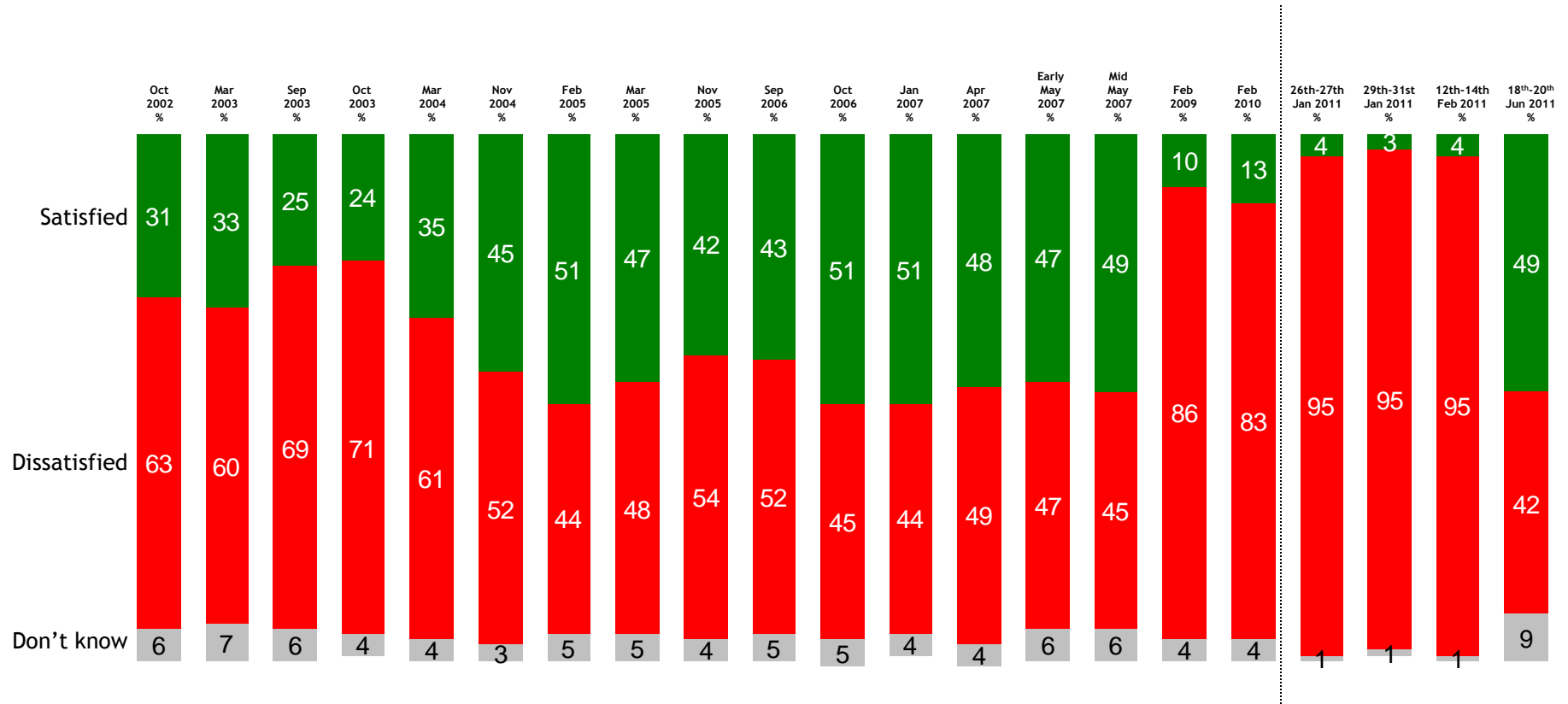


Q. Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way the Government is running the country?

Trends in Satisfaction with Government

Base: All Aged 18+

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Satisfaction with Taoiseach

Base: All Aged 18+



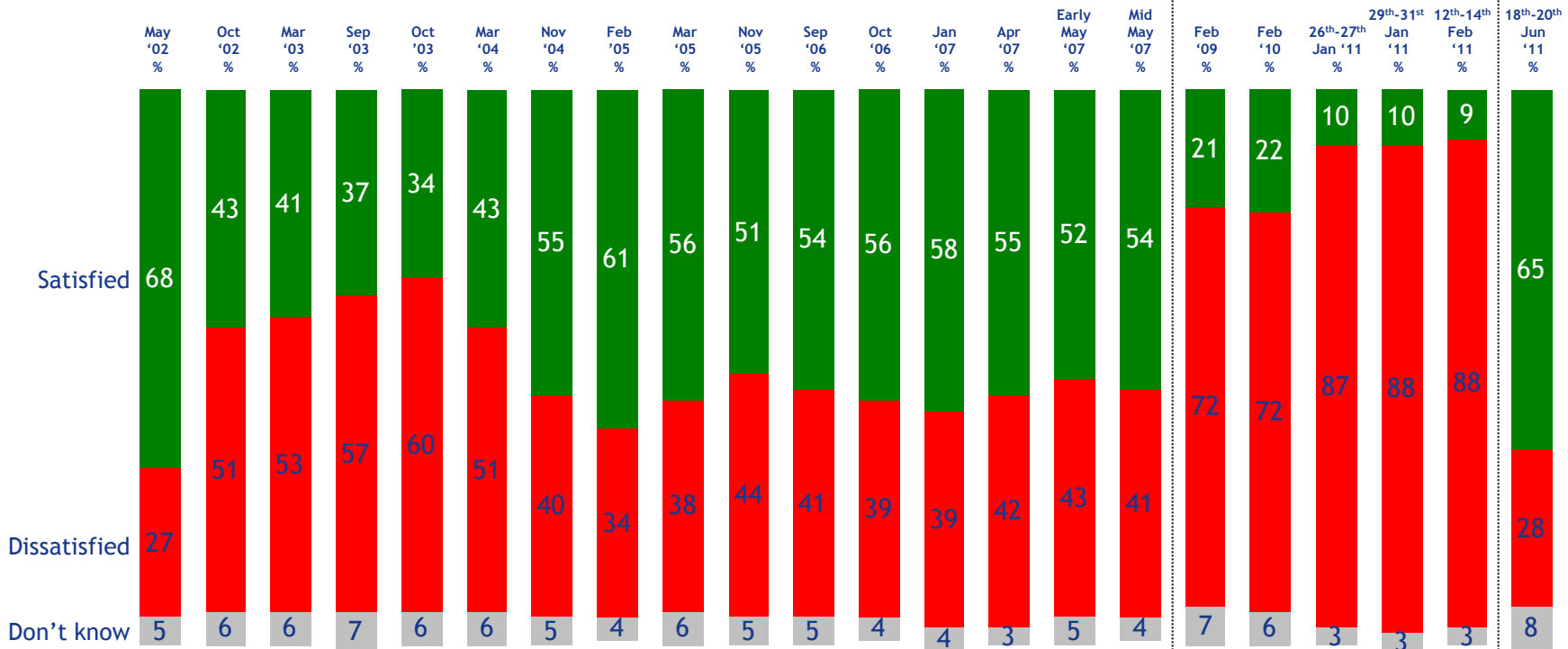
Bertie Ahern



Brian Cowen



Enda Kenny



Q. Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with Mr. Enda Kenny as Taoiseach?

Satisfaction with Fine Gael Leaders

Base: All Aged 18+

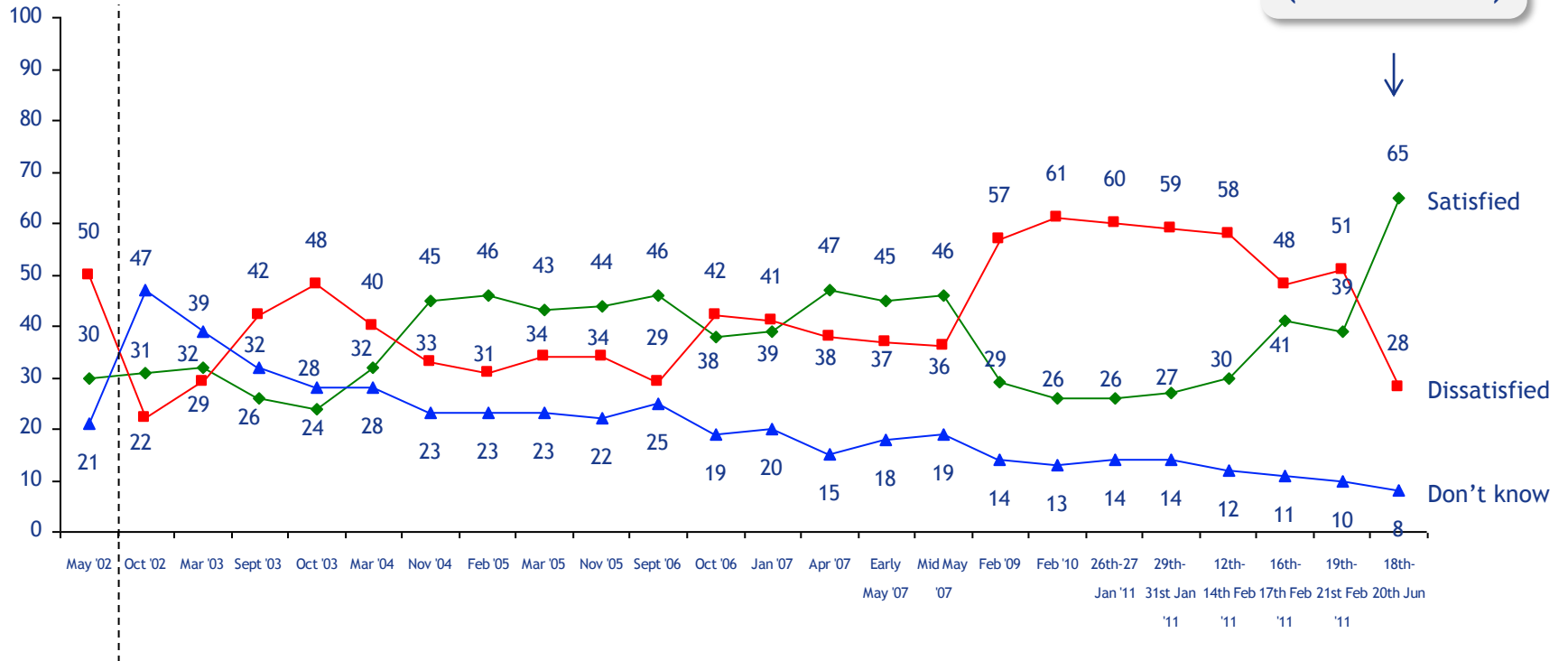


Michael Noonan

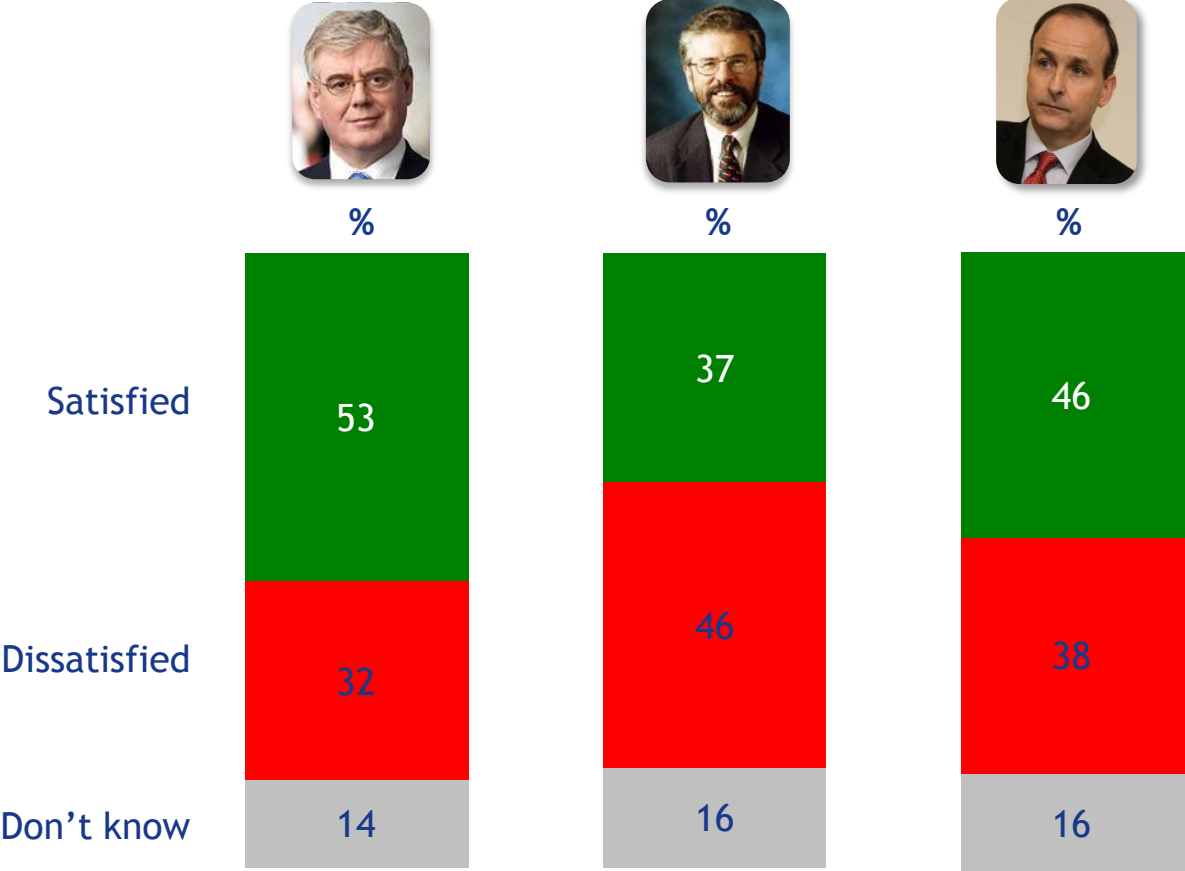


Enda Kenny

Enda Kenny
(as Taoiseach)



Satisfaction with Party Leaders



Q. Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way ____ is doing his job as leader of ____?

Satisfaction with Labour Party Leaders

Base: All Aged 18+



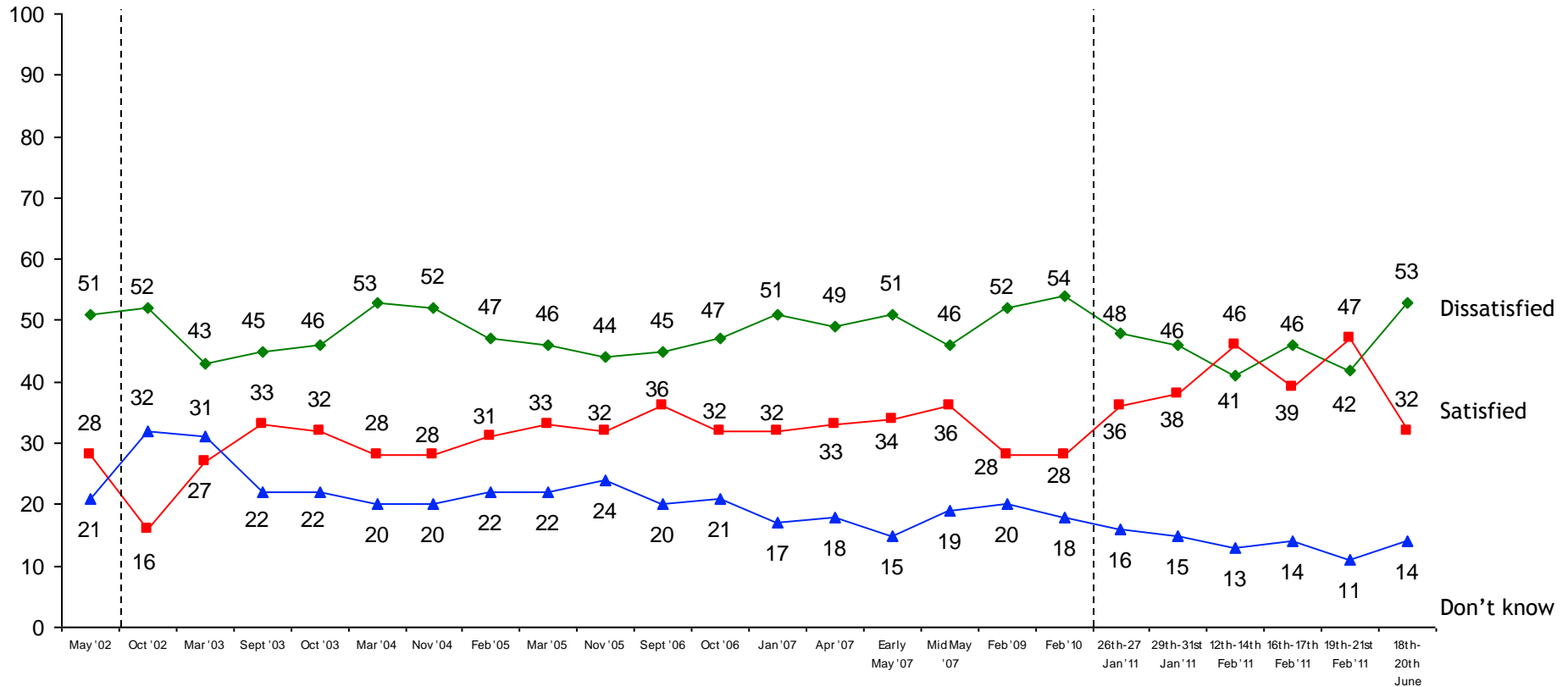
Ruairi Quinn



Pat Rabbitte



Eamonn Gilmore

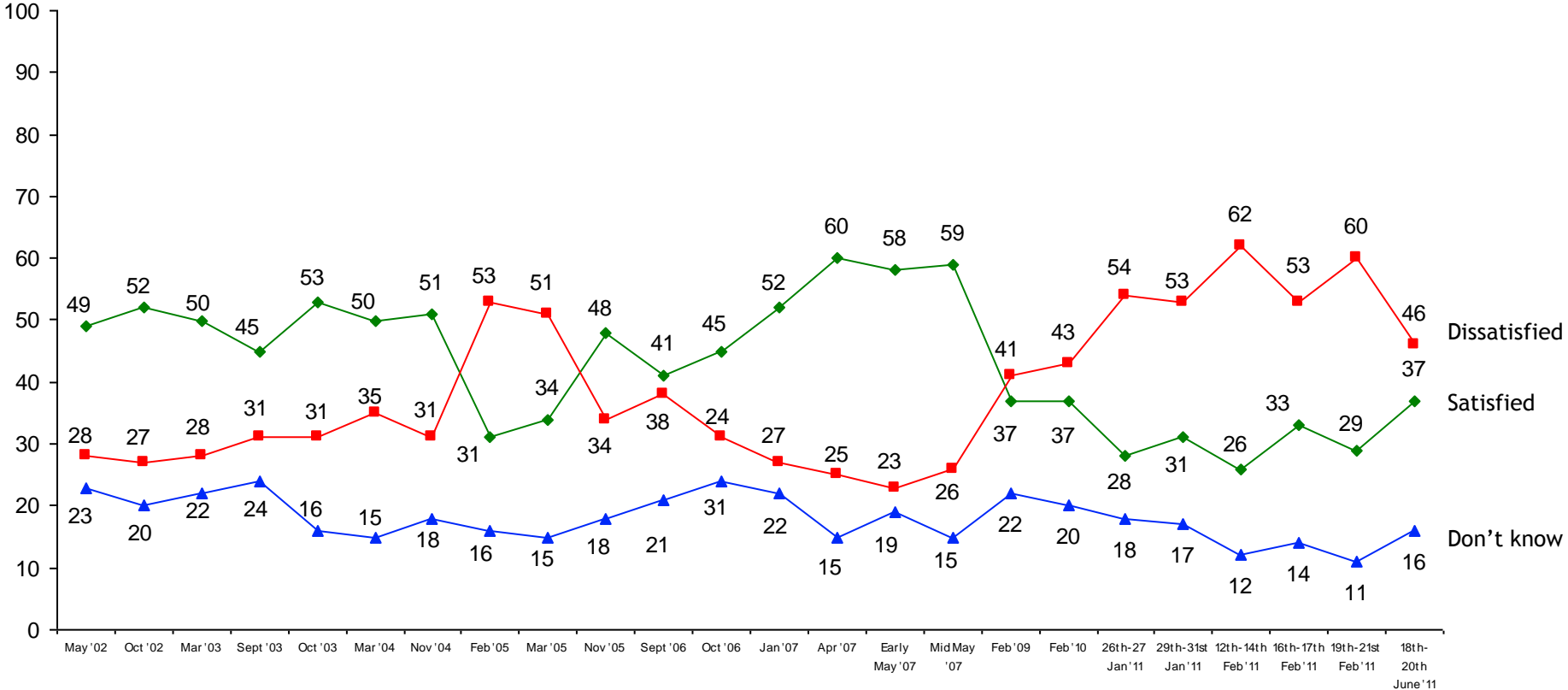


Satisfaction with Sinn Féin Leader - Gerry Adams

Base: All Aged 18+



Gerry Adams

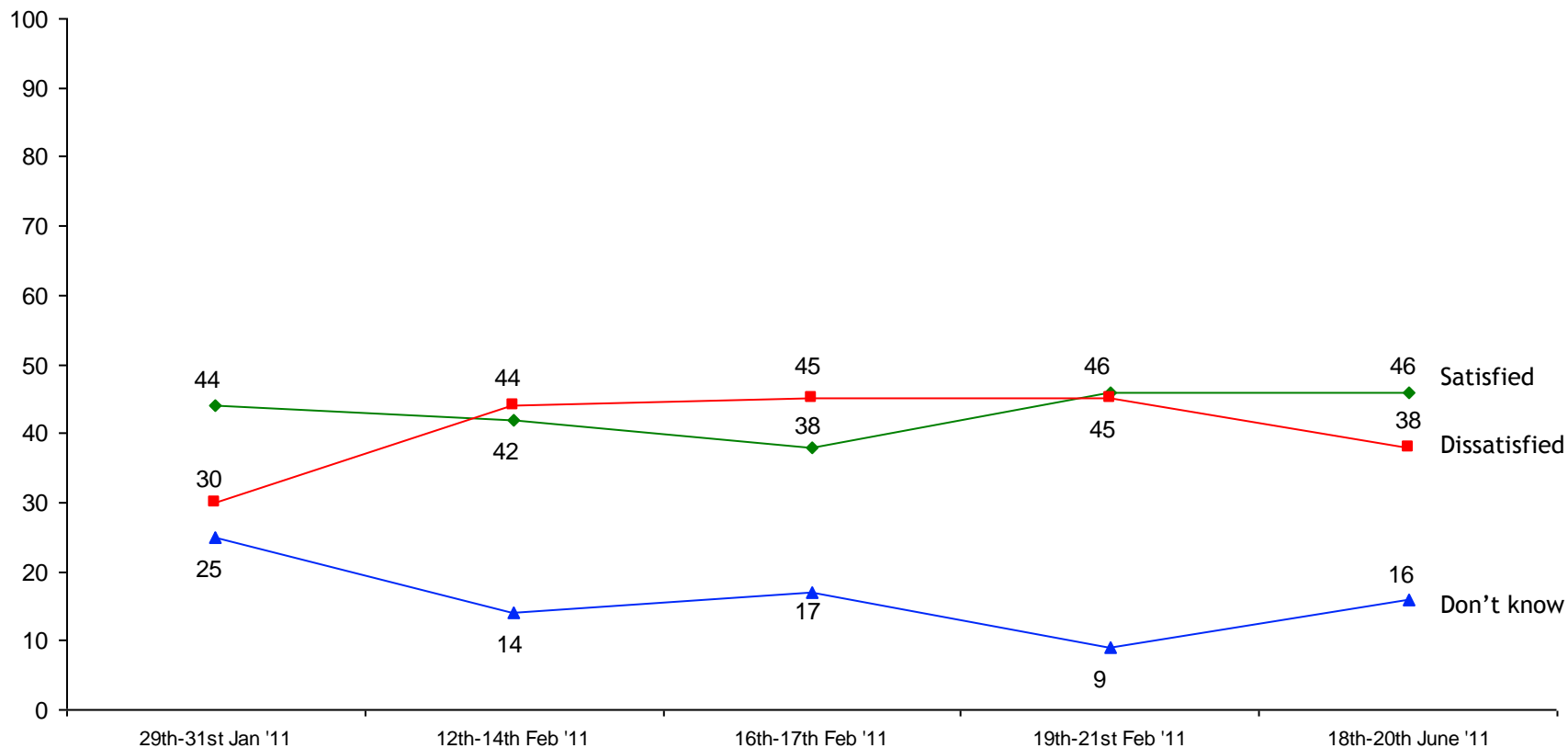


Satisfaction with Fianna Fáil Leader - Micheál Martin

Base: All Aged 18+

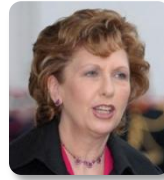


Micheál Martin



Satisfaction with President - Mary McAleese

Base: All Aged 18+



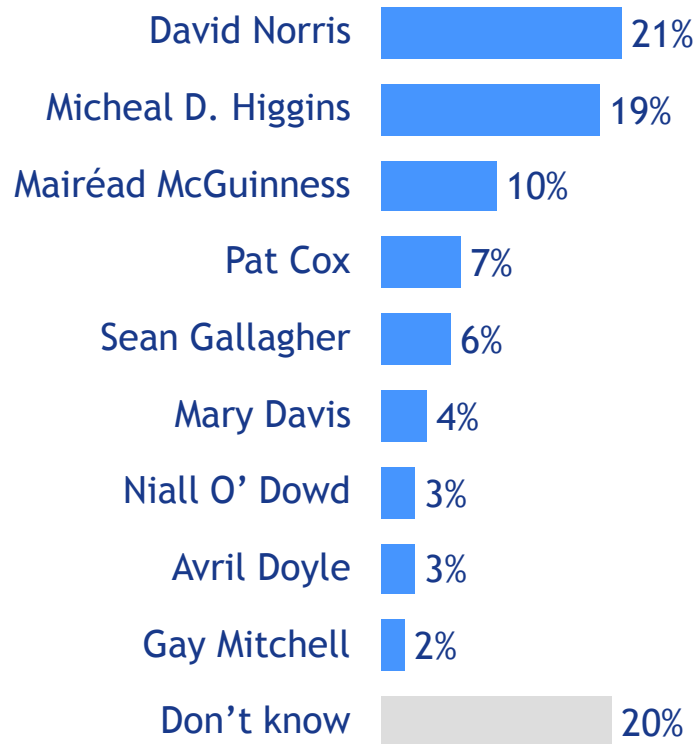
Mary McAleese

18th-20th
Jun 2011
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First Preference Vote - Presidential Election (Monday 20th June 2011)


Base: All Aged 18+ Mondays interviews (454)

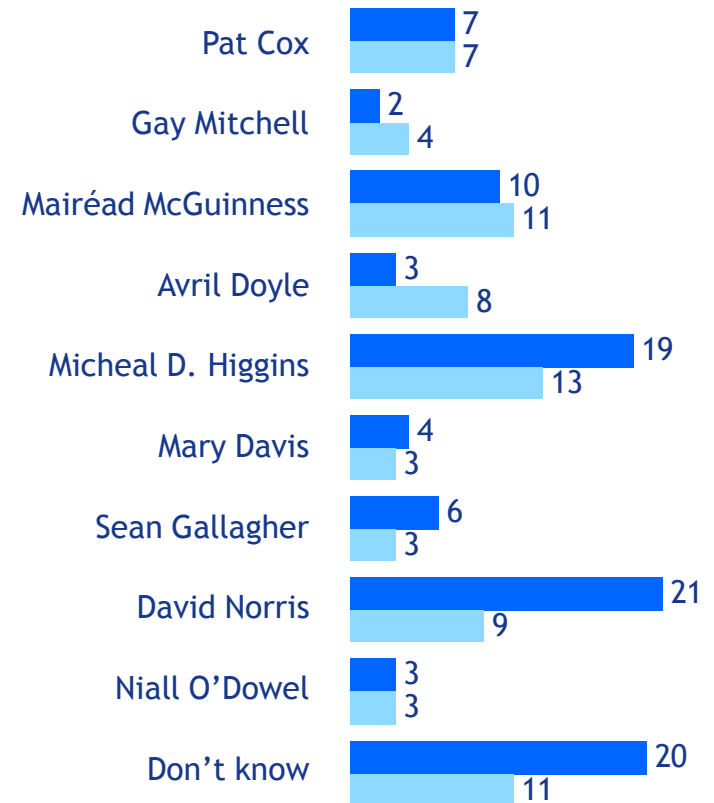
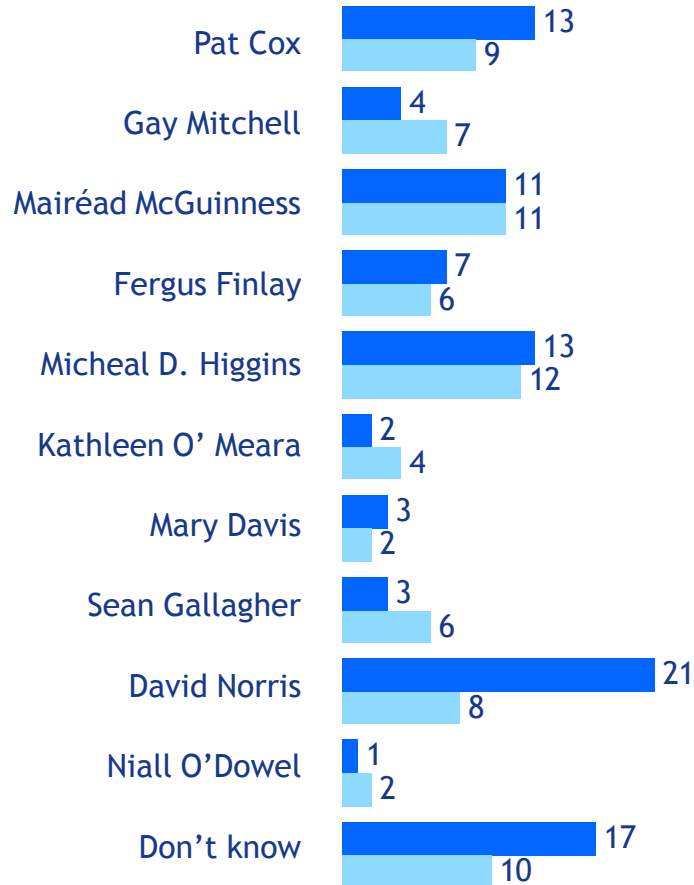


First and Second Preference Votes in Presidential Election

Base: All Aged 18+ Saturday Interviews (581)

Base: All Aged 18+ Monday Interviews (454)

 First Preference
 Second Preference



Q.12 To which of the following candidates would you give your first preference vote to in the upcoming presidential election?

Q. And to which candidate candidates would you give your second preference vote to?

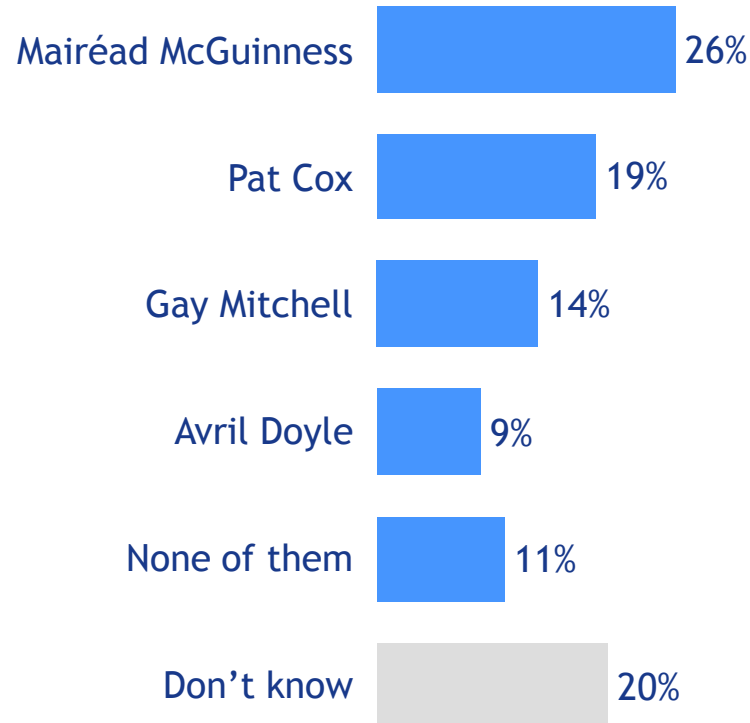
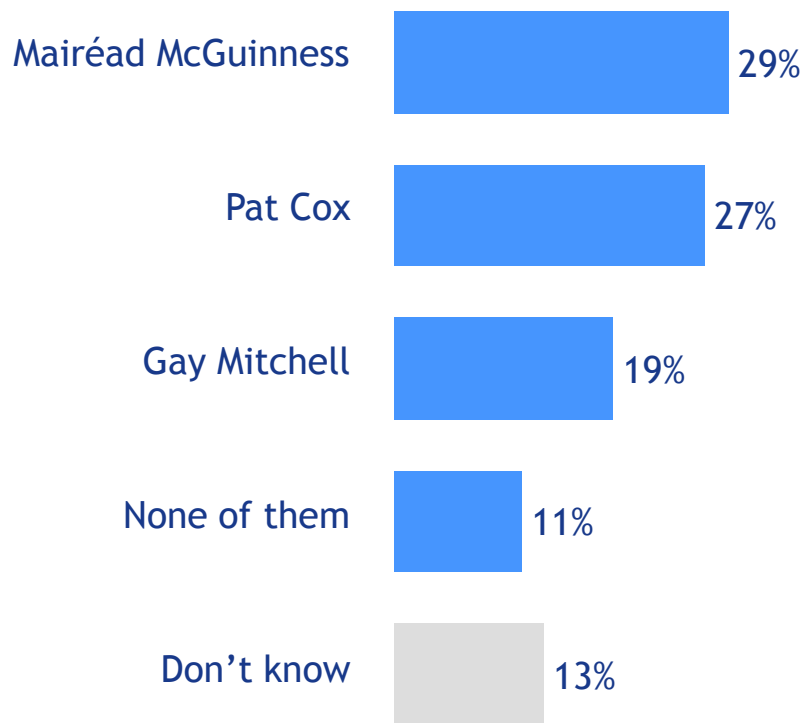
Best Fine Gael Candidates

Base: All Aged 18+ Saturday interviews (581)

Base: All Aged 18+ Monday interviews (454)

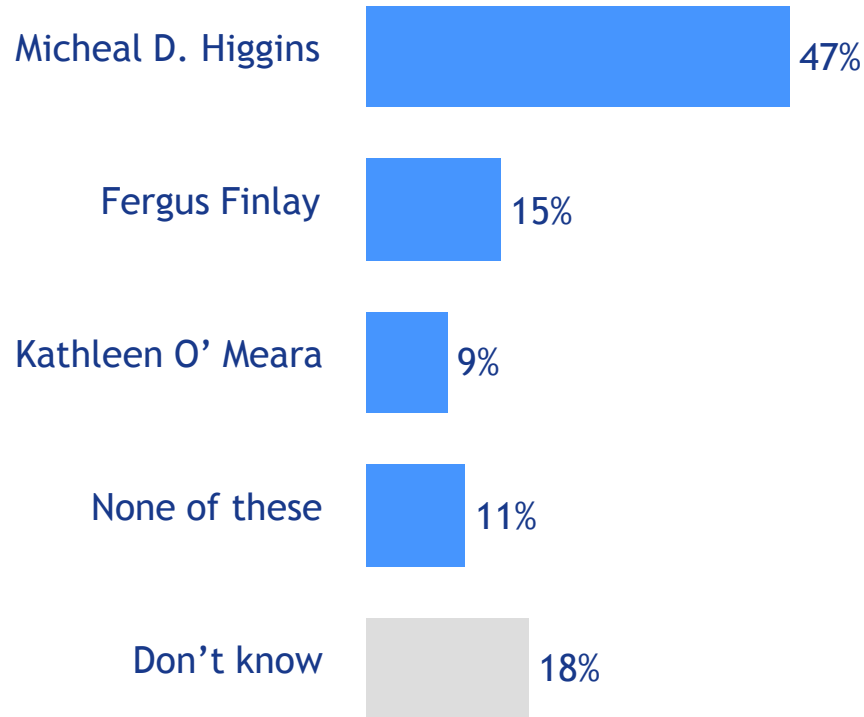
Saturday 18th June 2011

Monday 20th June 2011



Best Labour Candidate

Base: All Aged 18+



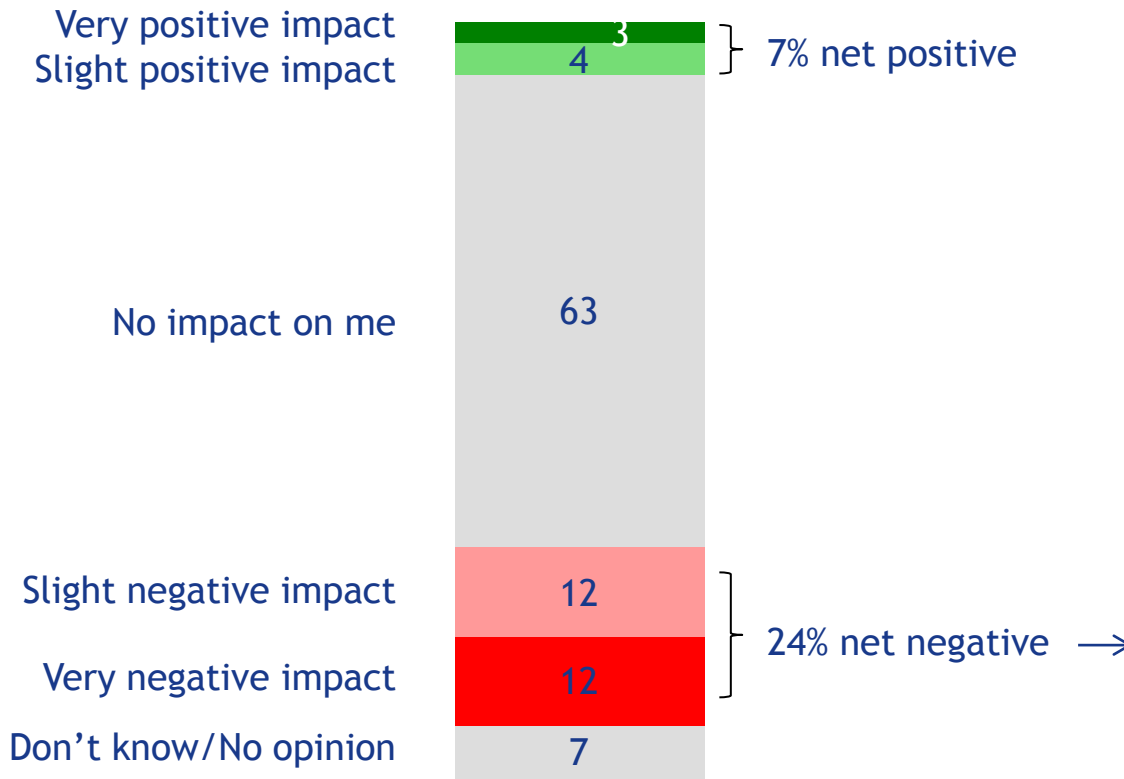
Note: Micheal D Higgins nominated Sunday 19th June

Impact of recent controversies on David Norris' Presidential Suitability

Base: All Aged 18+



Impact %



Higher Among:

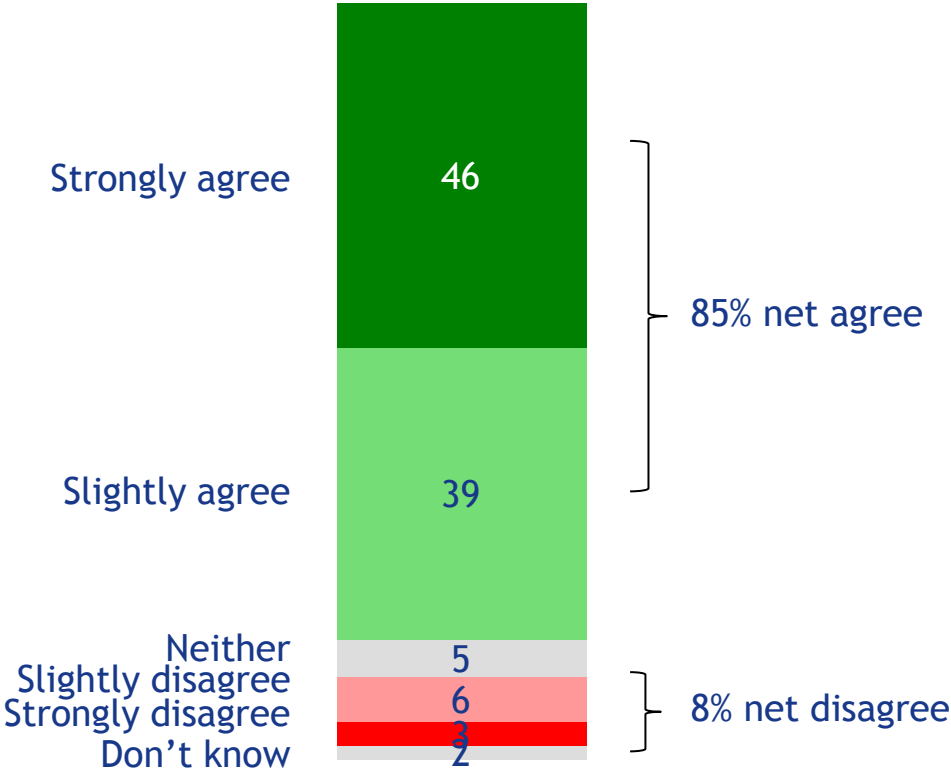
35-64 yrs	26%
65+	27%
AB's	29%
Farming Community	41%
Conn/Ulster	27%

Q.15 Have the recent controversies surrounding Senator David Norris impacted on your opinion of his Presidential suitability or not?

Should Independent candidates be allowed to run in the Presidential Election?

Base: All Aged 18+

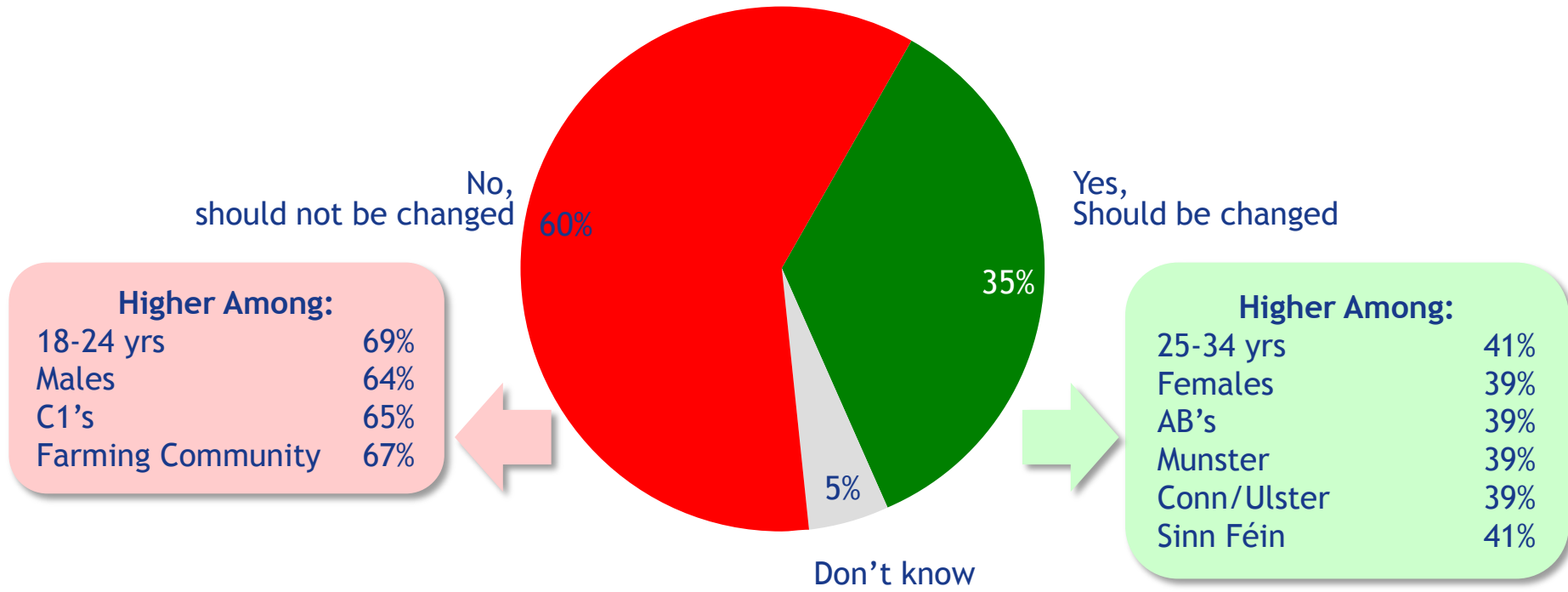
“Independent candidates should be allowed to run in the presidential election”
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Q.16 Please tell me if you agree or disagree with the following statement...
“Independent candidates should be allowed to run in the Presidential Election”.

Should the Constitution be changed to allow a President to serve more than two terms, or not?

Base: All Aged 18+

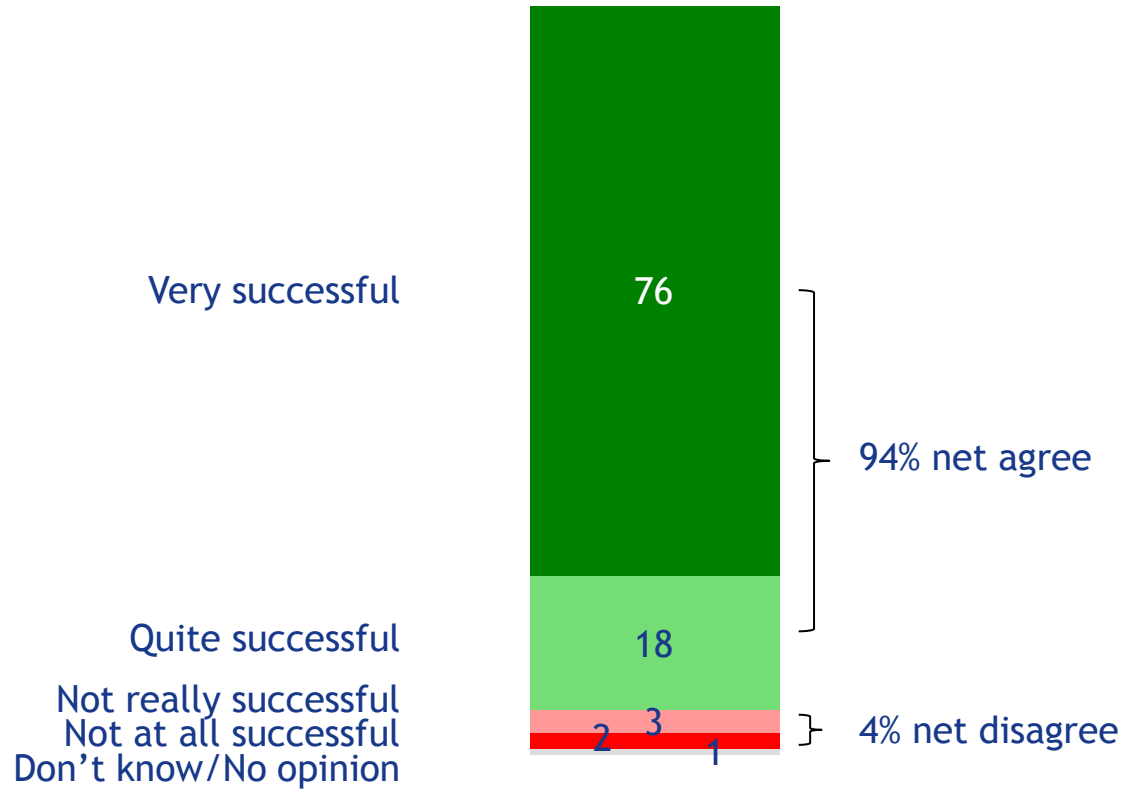


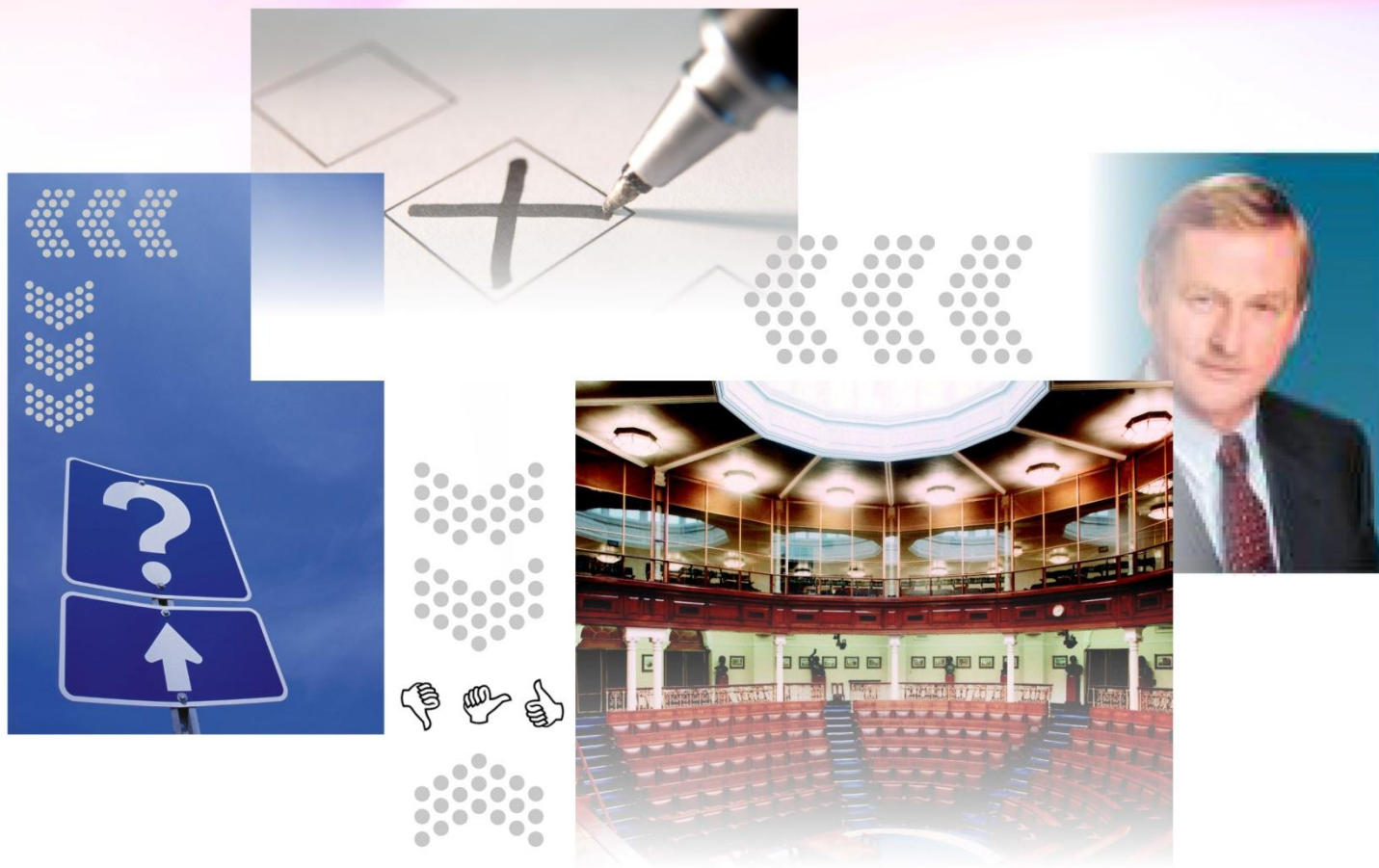
Visit of Queen Elisabeth II unanimously perceived as a success

Base: All Aged 18+



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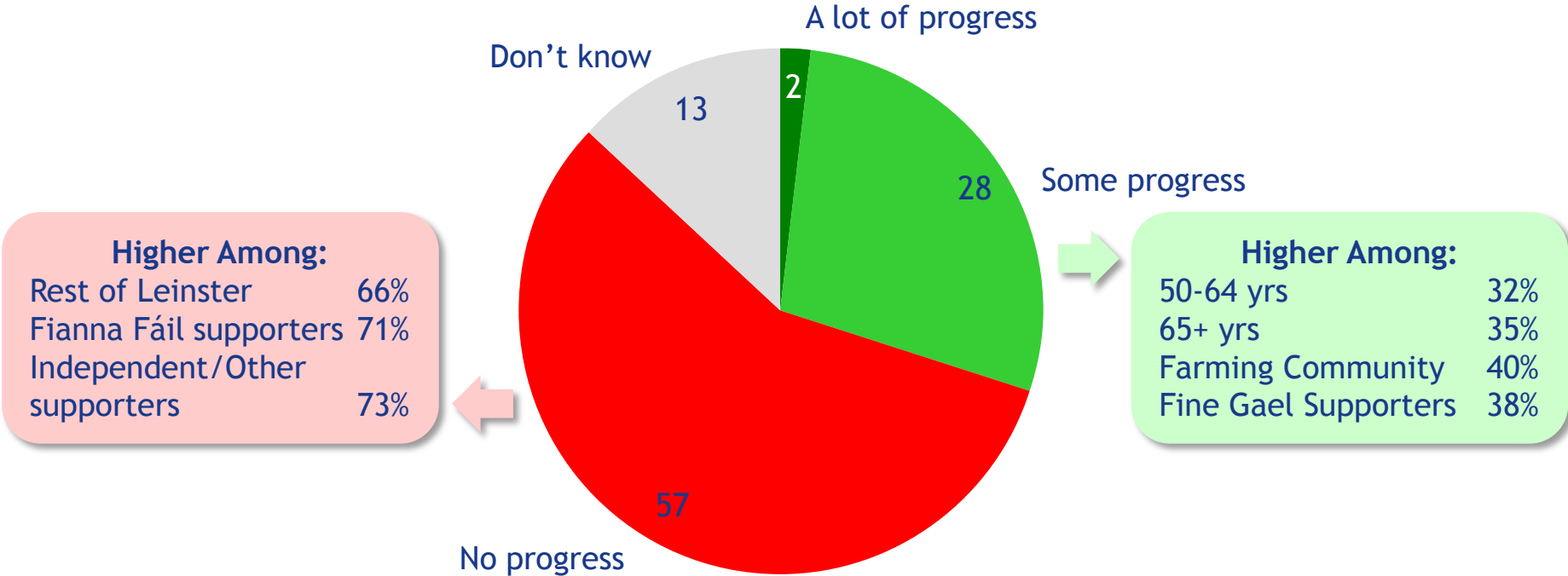


100 Days of Government

Less than 3 in 10 Government has made progress on the issue of “Burning the Bondholders”

Base: All Aged 18+

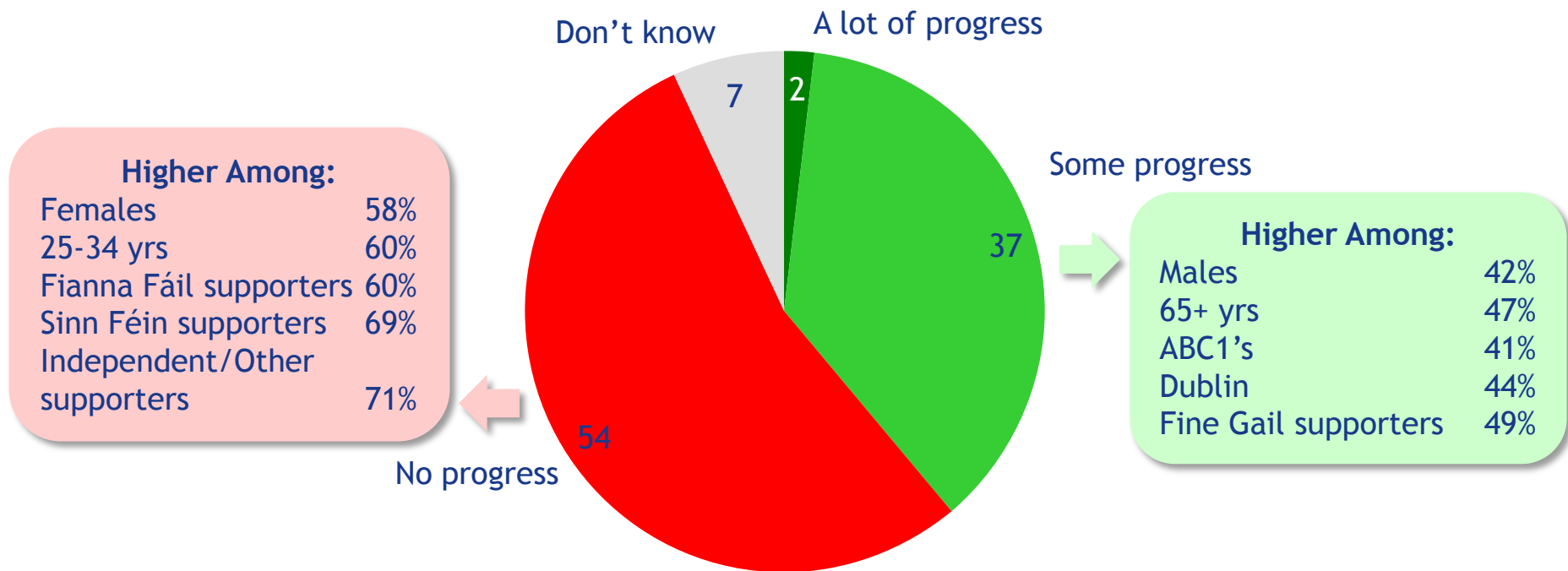
Burning of the Bond Holders
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Over a third feel progress has been made by new Government on the issue of recapitalising the banks

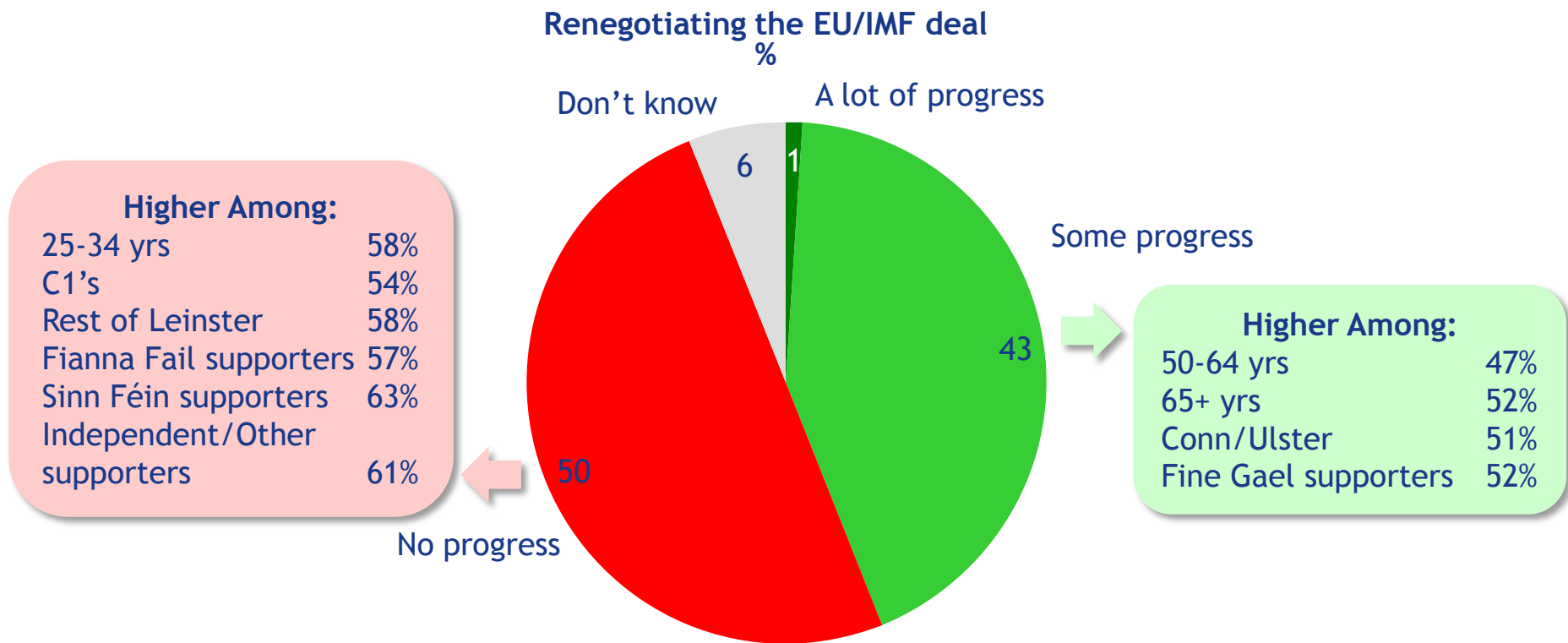
Base: All Aged 18+

Recapitalisation of the Banks %



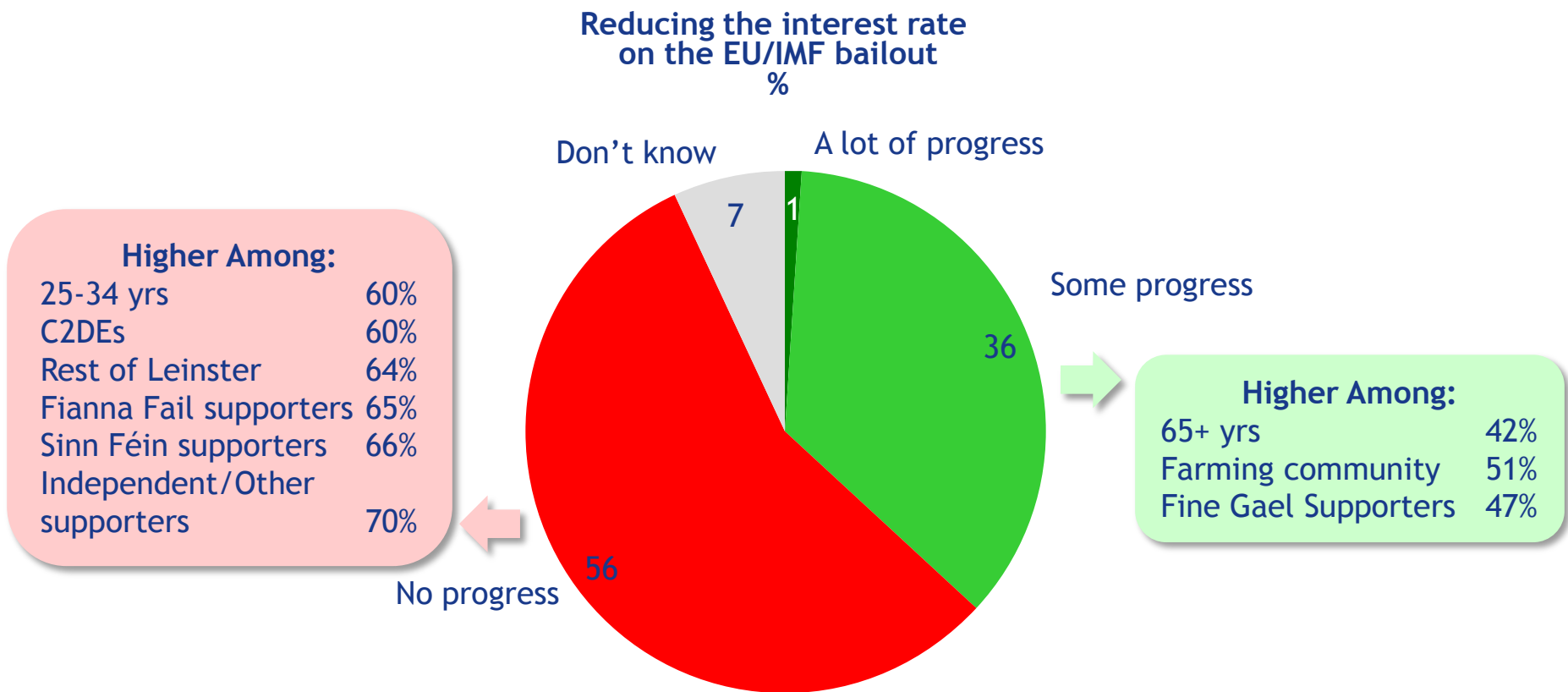
Opinion divided as to whether progress has been made regarding the renegotiation of the EU/IMF deal

Base: All Aged 18+



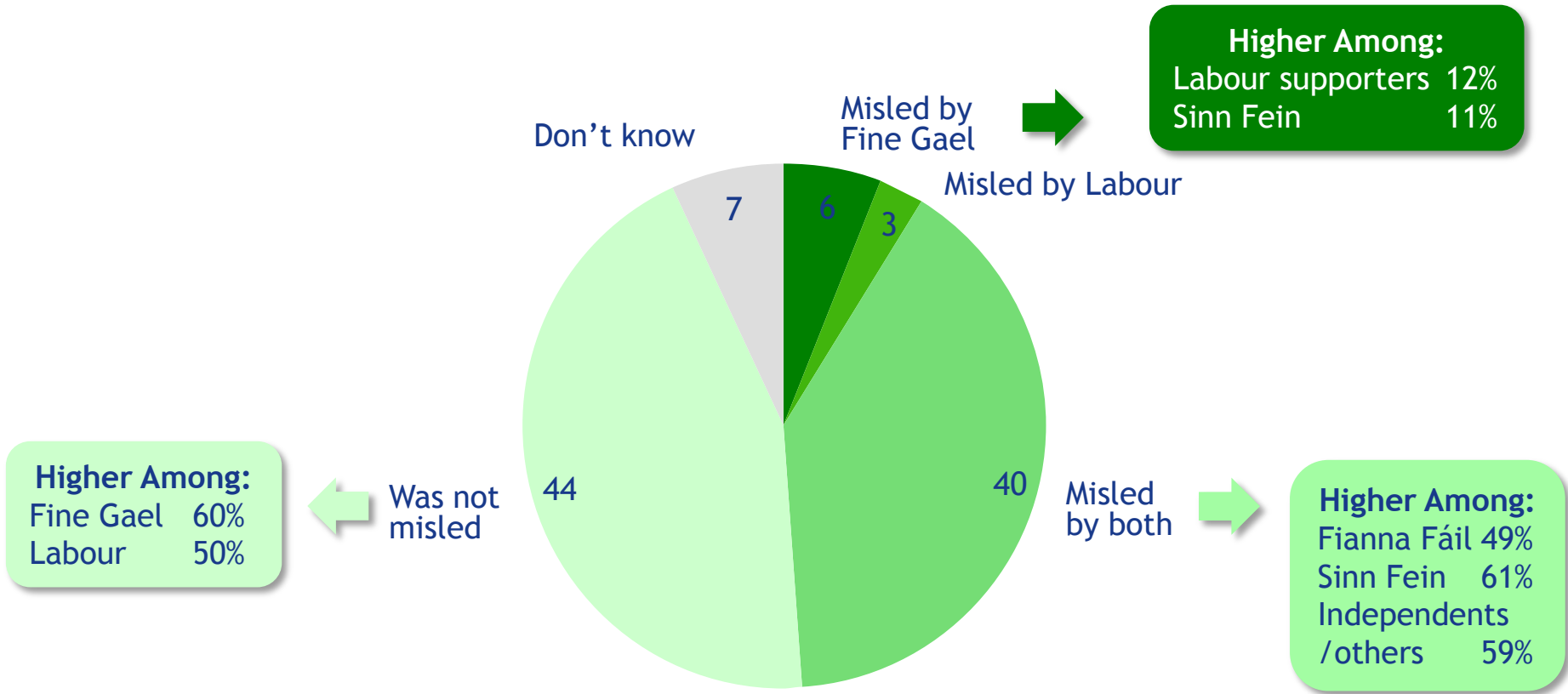
Over half feel no progress has been made in reducing the interest rate on the EU/IMF bailout

Base: All Aged 18+



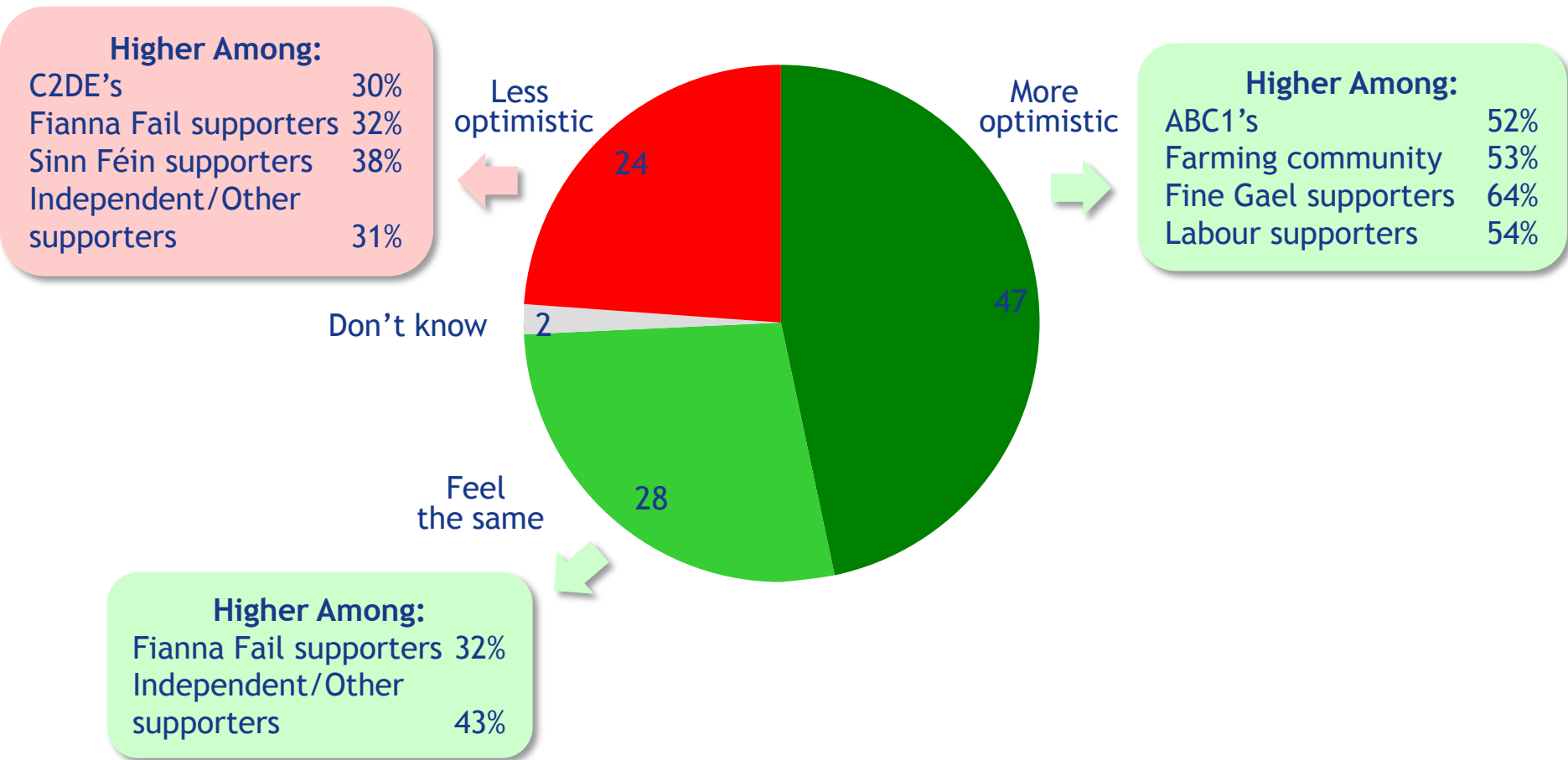
Opinion divided Fine Gael and Labour's pre-election promises

Base: All Aged 18+



Almost one in two feel more optimistic about the prospect of economic recovery under the new Government Irish Independent

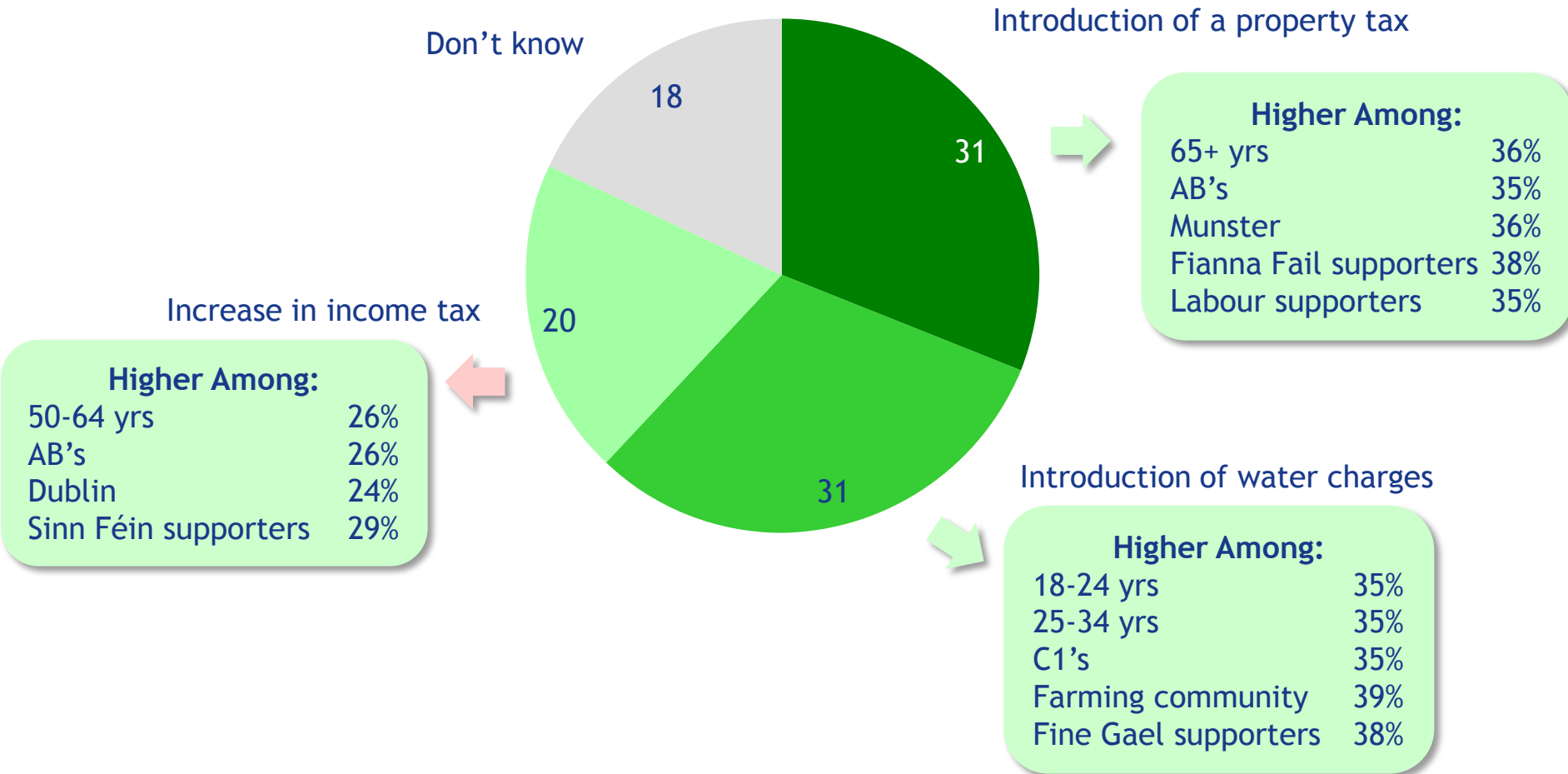
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Fairest way of reducing the budget

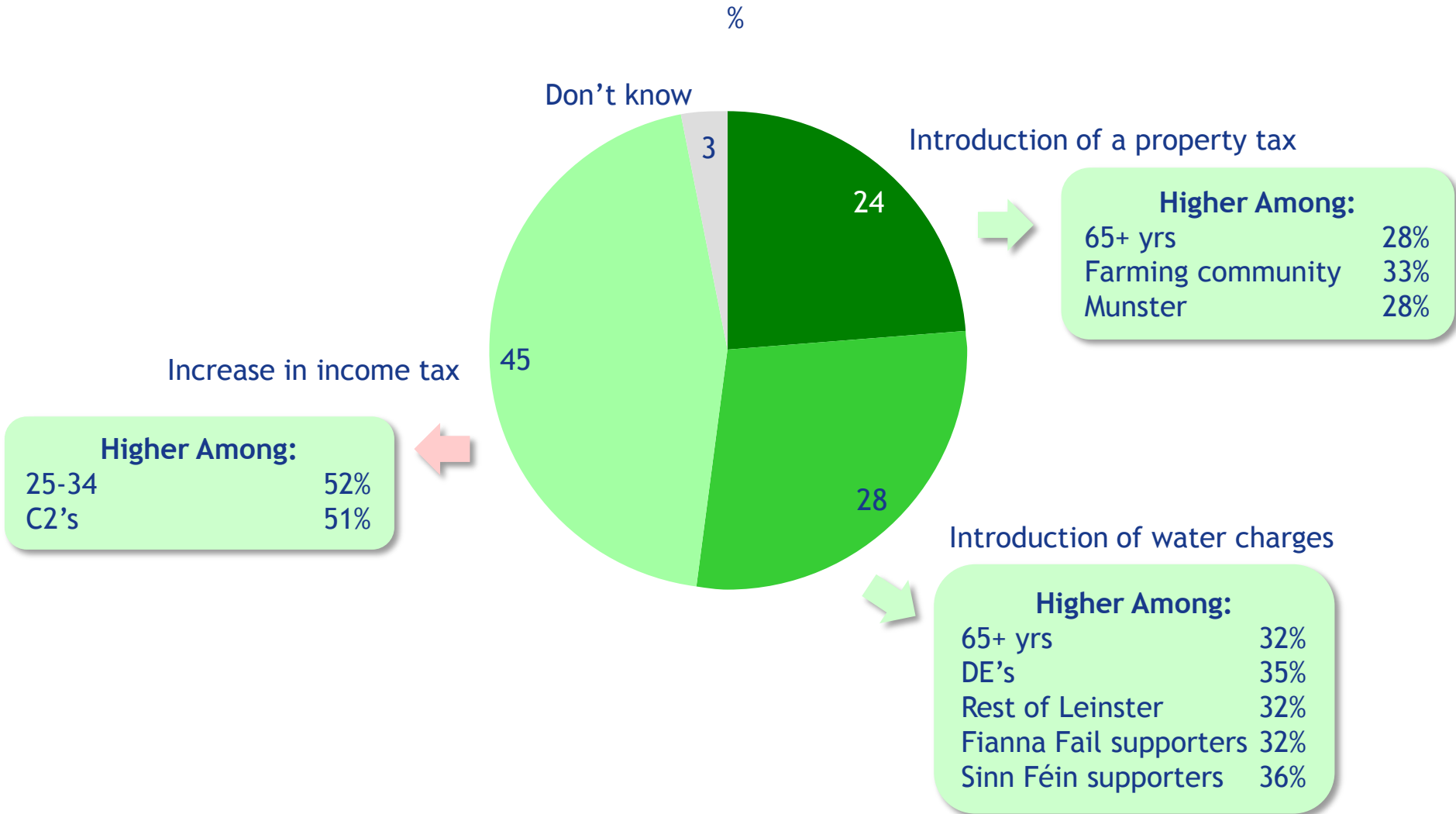
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Least fair way of reducing the budget deficit?

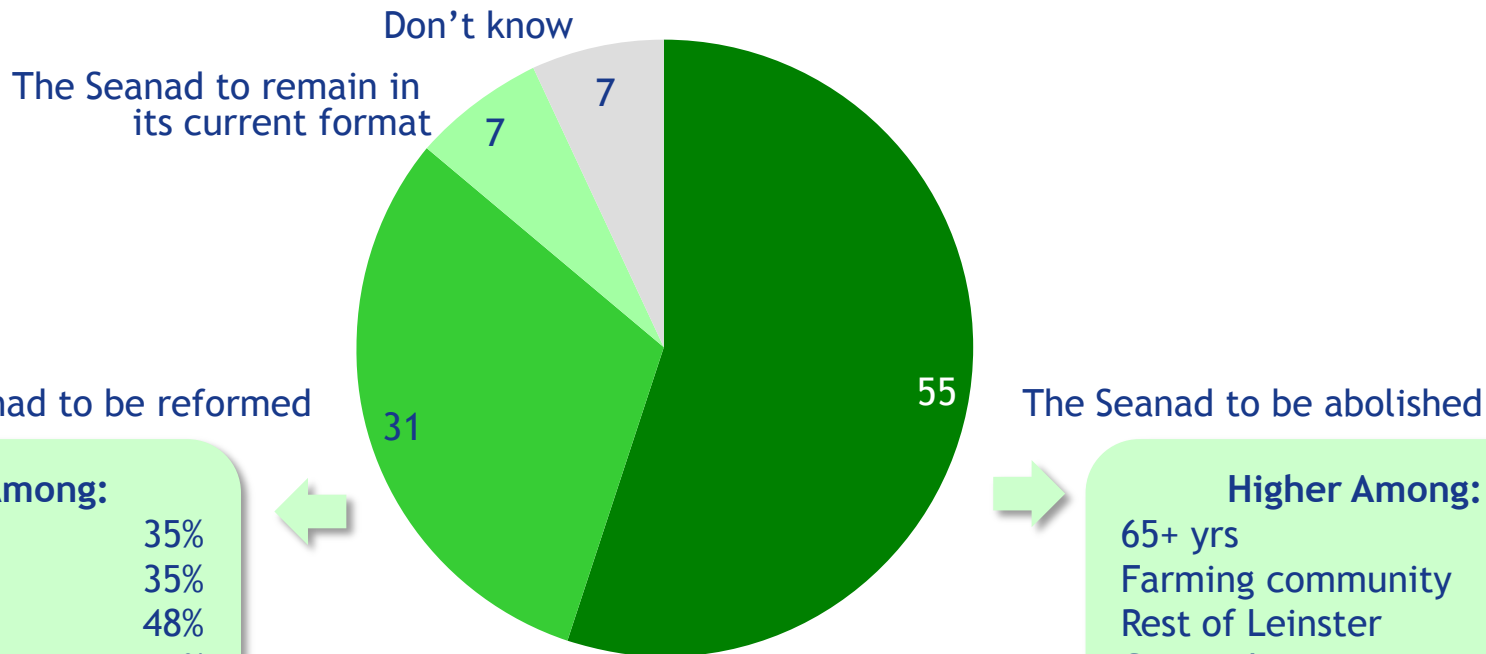
Base: All Aged 18+

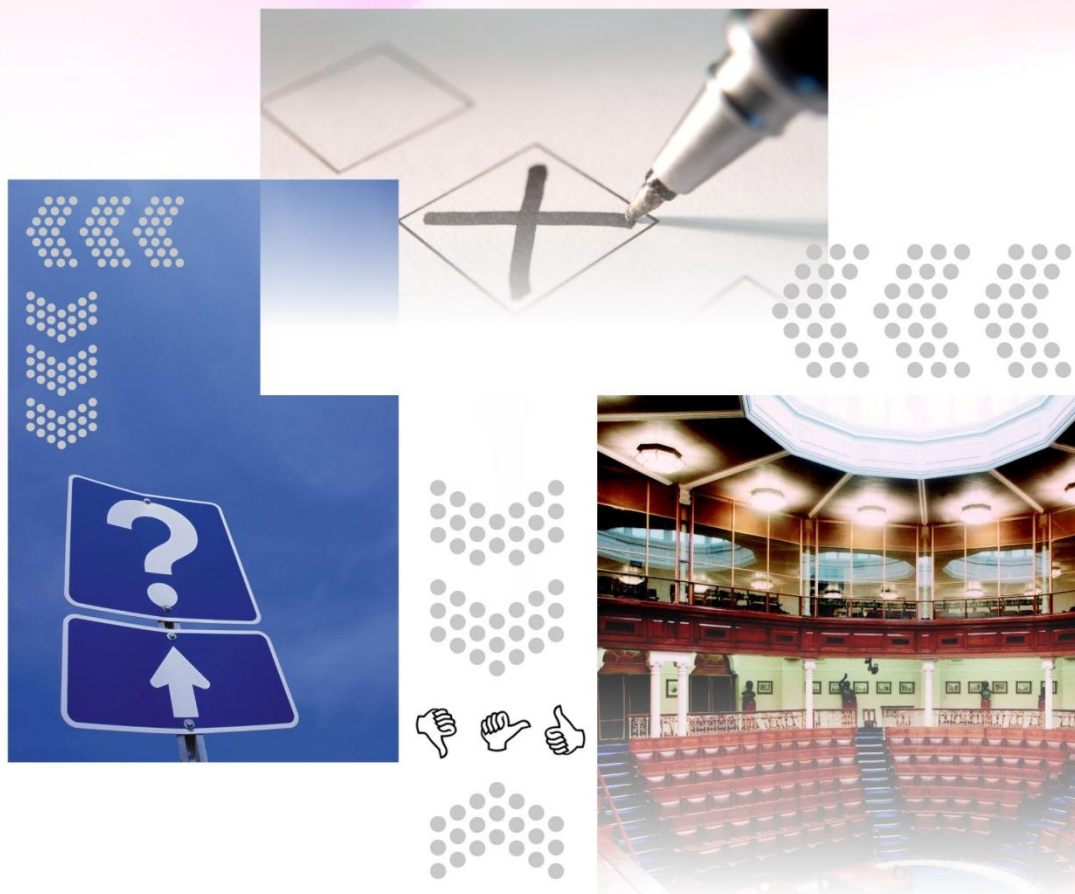


Over half feel the Seanad should be abolished, while three in ten are in favour of retaining and reforming

Base: All Aged 18+

Which of the following would you most prefer to see happen?
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