



National Survey of American Teachers

*Key Findings from a Survey of 700 Teachers
Conducted May 8-12, 2015*

**On behalf of Communities In Schools,
Public Opinion Strategies conducted a national online
survey of 700 American Teachers.**

**The survey was conducted May 8-12, 2015 and has a
margin of error of $\pm 3.7\%$.**



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Perceptions of Their Local Schools

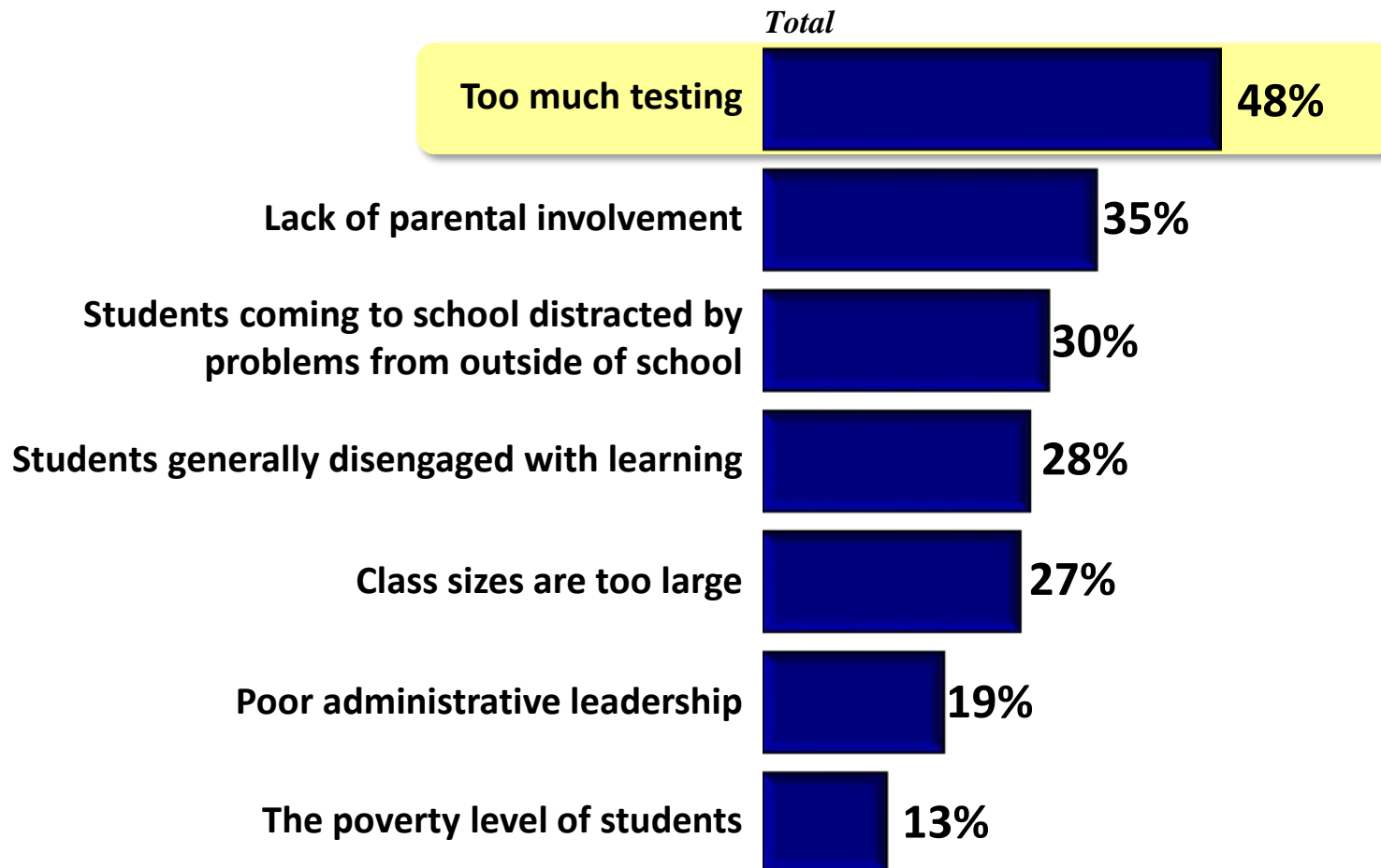


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Problems Facing Their Local Schools

Teachers point to "too much testing" as the biggest problem facing public schools.

And, which TWO of the following do you believe are the biggest problems facing the public school in which you teach?





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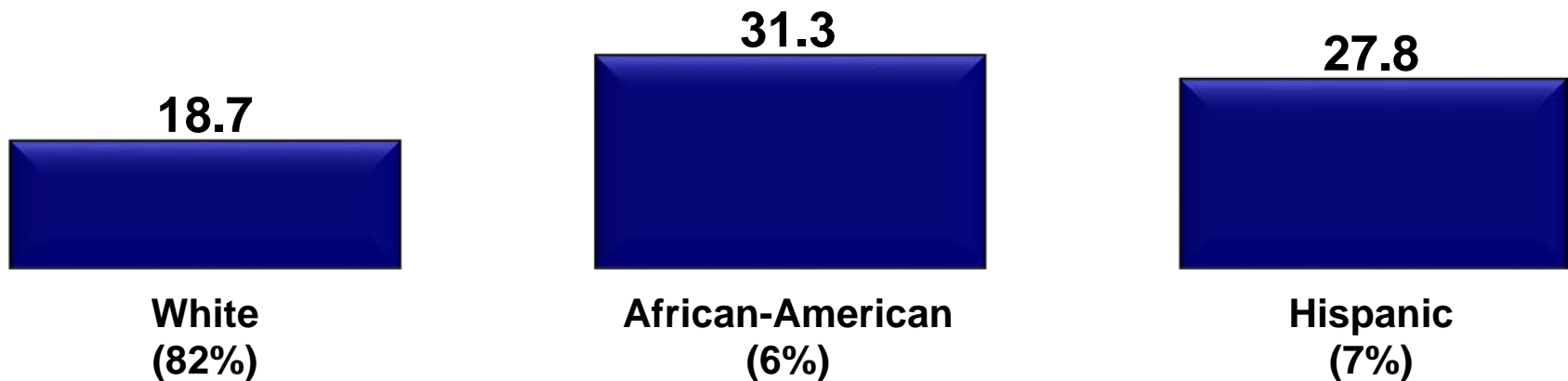


Teachers in Support Roles

And, African-American and Hispanic teachers are spending more time on non-academic problems than white teachers.

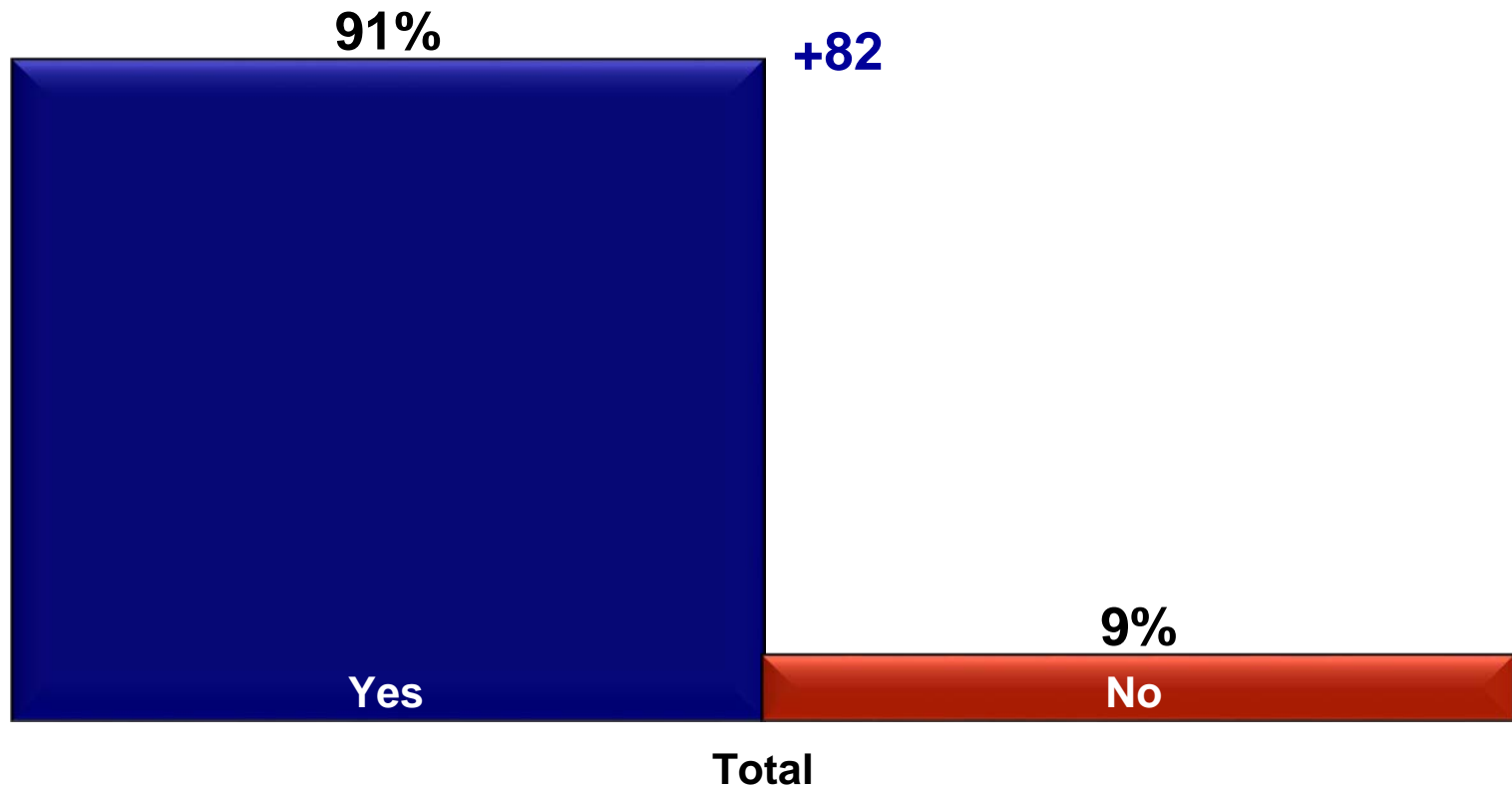
And, if you had to guess, what percentage of time do you spend helping students with problems they face at home/outside the classroom?

Mean % by Ethnicity



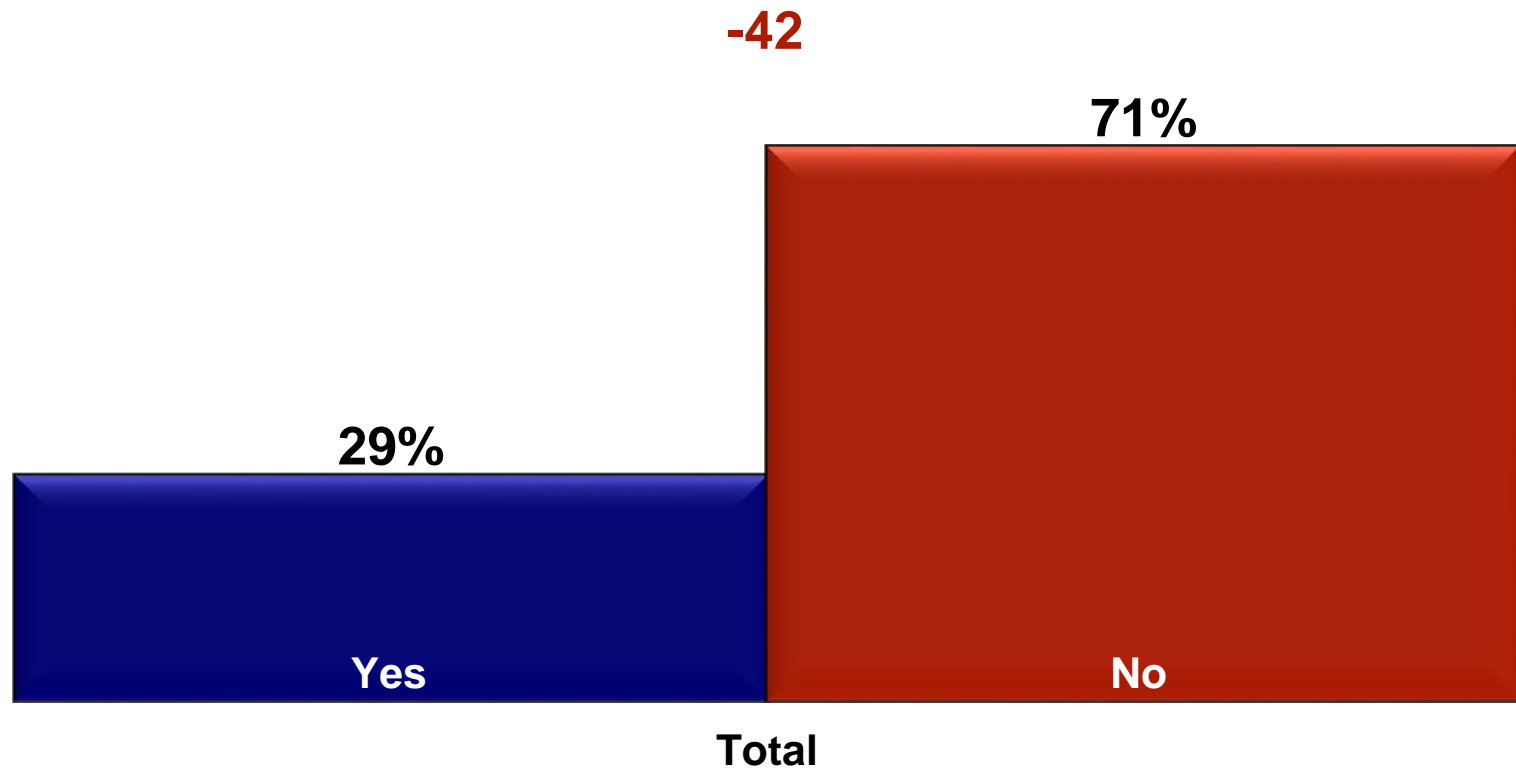
Nearly all teachers report they have paid money out of their own pocket for school supplies.

*And, in the last few years, in your role as a teacher, have you personally done any of the following...
Paid money out of your own pocket for classroom supplies?*



Nearly one-third of teachers say they have arranged for a student to receive medical attention.

*And, in the last few years, in your role as a teacher, have you personally done any of the following...
Arranged for a student to receive medical attention?*





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Potential Changes to Local School Districts



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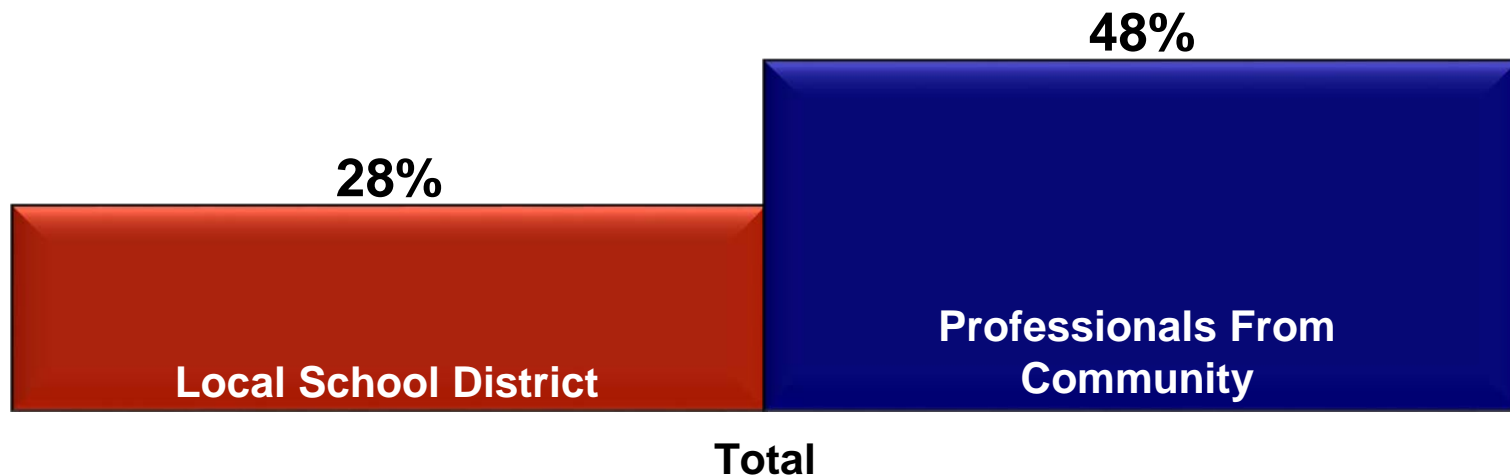


Support for Non-Academic Barriers

By nearly two-to-one, teachers believe the job of addressing these support services is better left up to dedicated professionals brought into schools from the community.

And, generally speaking, is it the job of your local school district to provide these types of support services or is that a job better left up to dedicated professionals who are brought into the school from the community?

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Perceptions of Communities In Schools

After those teachers *without* CIS in their school hear more about it...

Communities In Schools is a locally based non-profit organization that brings community resources inside public school buildings to help individual students in need and prevent students from dropping out of school. Communities In Schools has an effective, evidence-based model of preventing students from dropping out of school.

Based on this description, do you have a favorable or unfavorable impression of Communities in Schools?

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