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# Three Crises and an Election: The Outlook of AFT Members

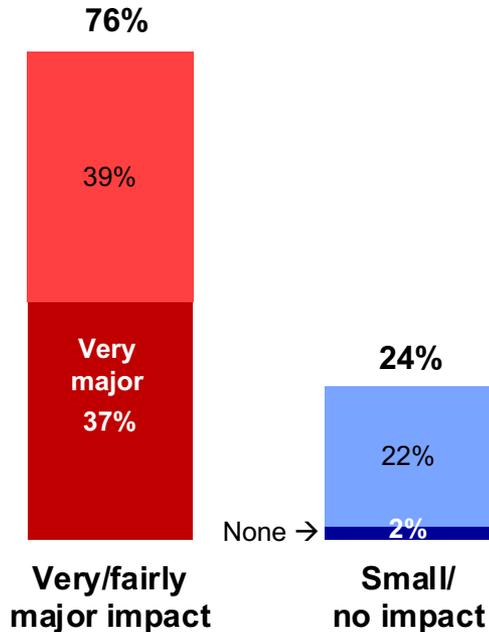
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# Methodology

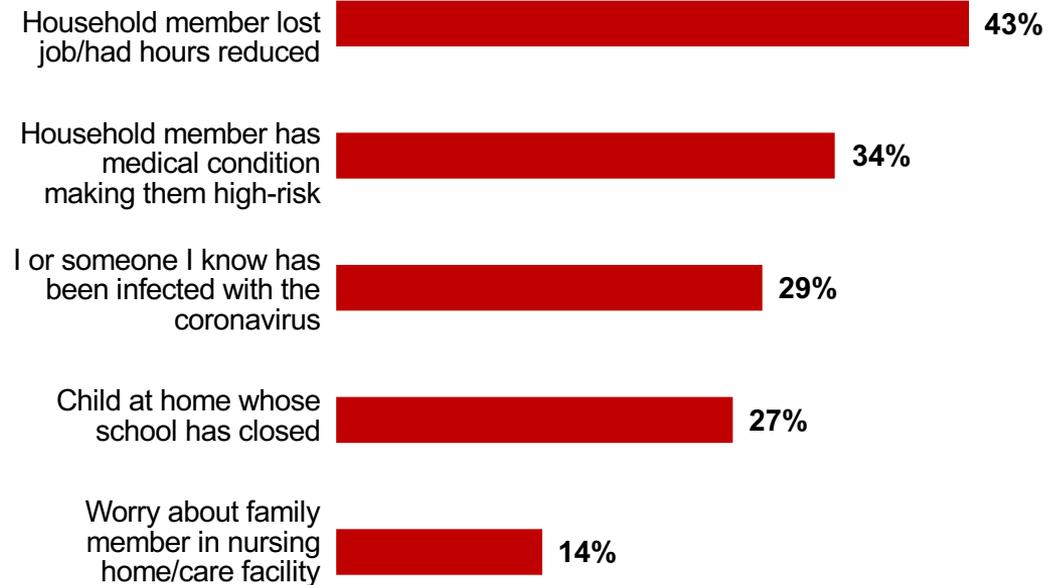
- Nationwide survey among members
  - 1,155 U.S. members
- Telephone interviews conducted June 17 to 24, 2020
- Margins of error:  $\pm 3.1$  percentage points for full sample, larger for divisions and other subsamples.

# The Coronavirus Has Impacted Members' Lives

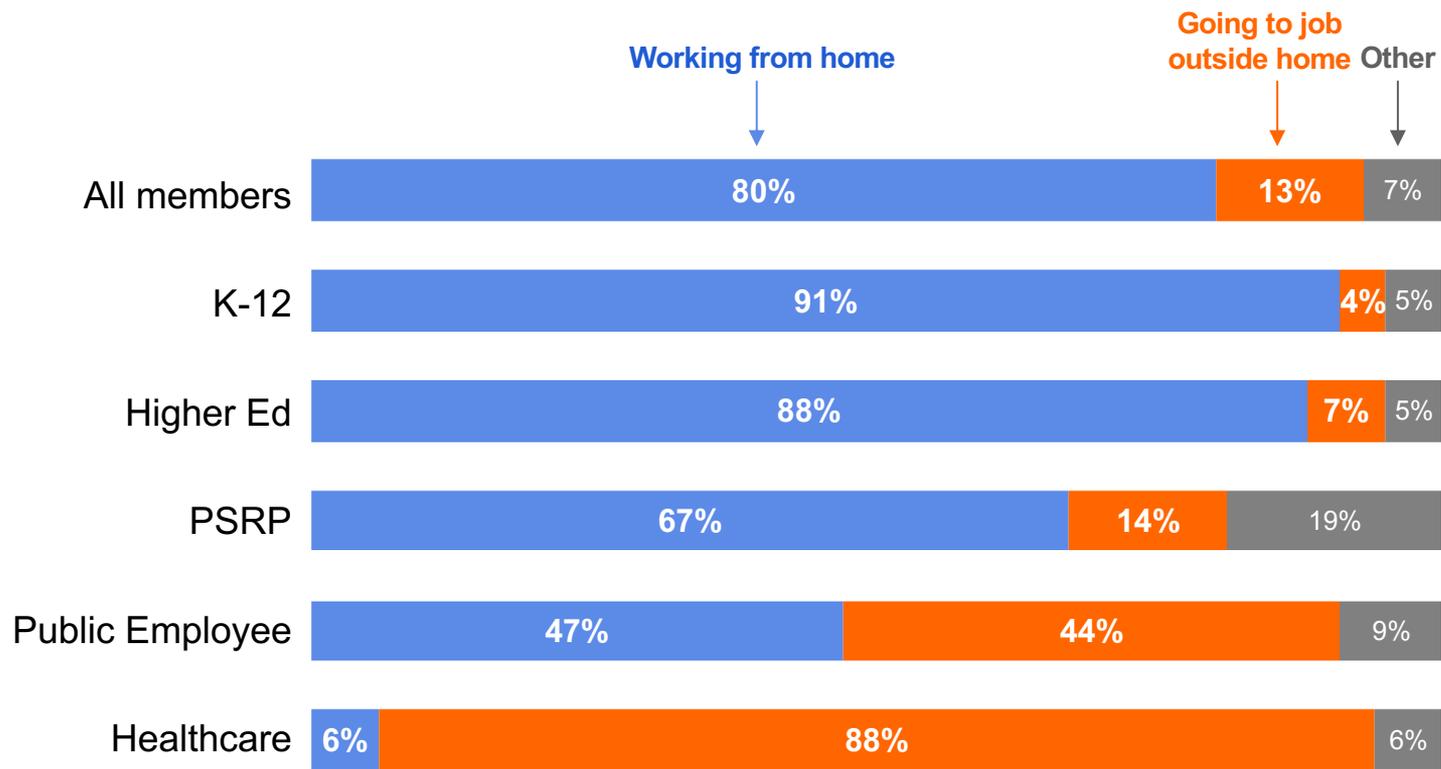
*Impact of the Coronavirus on My/Family's Day-to-Day Life*



*The coronavirus has affected me/family in these ways:*

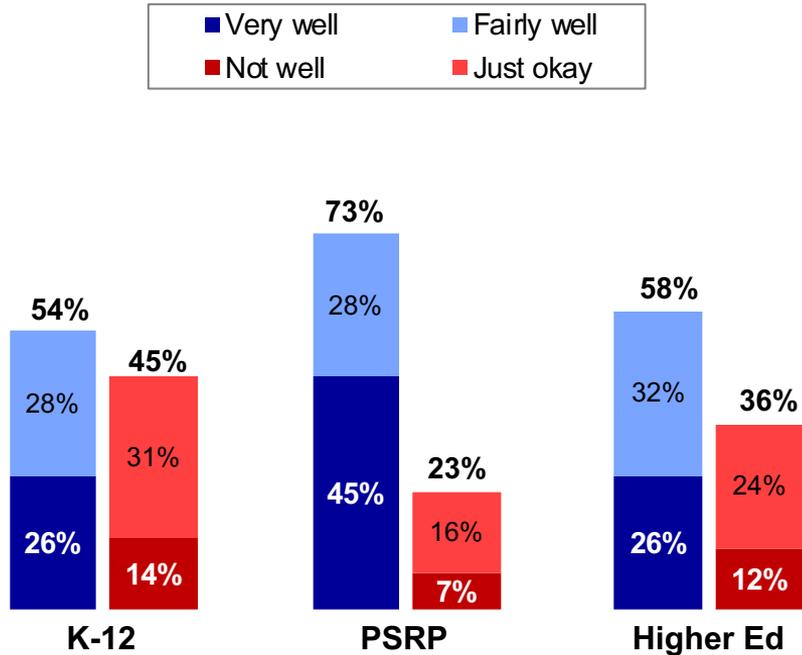


# Where Are Members Working?

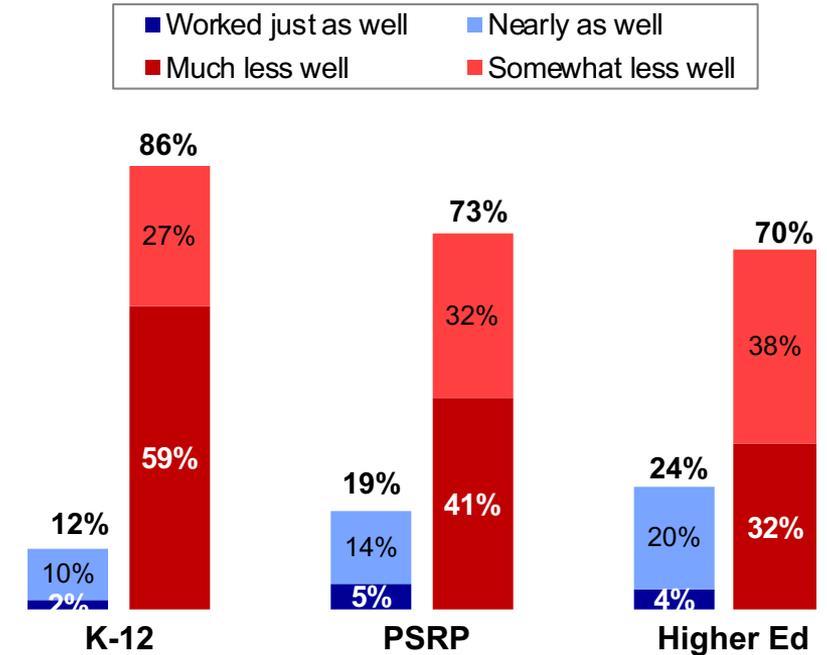


# Distance Learning Experience

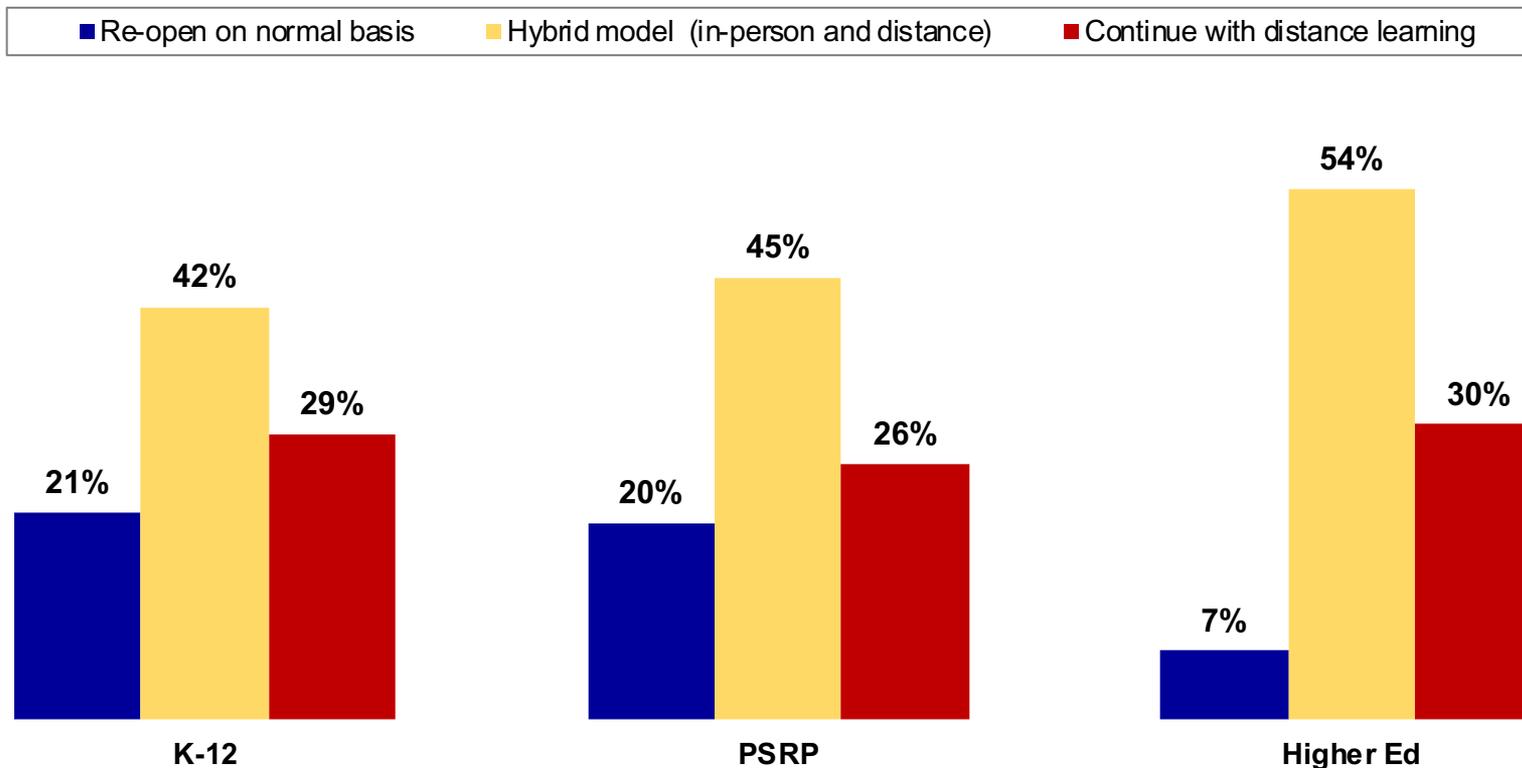
*How well did your school system prepare/support staff for transition to distance learning this spring?*



*In terms of student learning, how well has distance learning worked vs. traditional in-person teaching?*



# How Should Schools Re-open in the Fall?

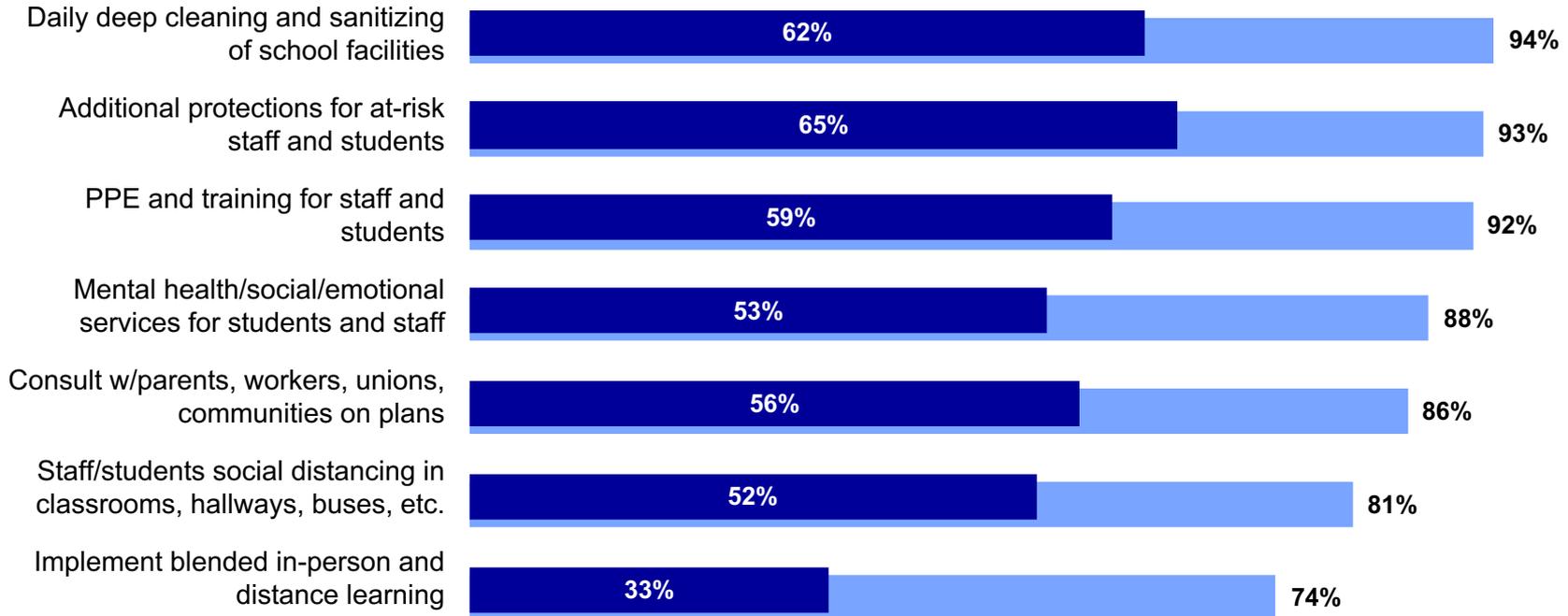


# Educators Strongly Endorse AFT Re-opening Standards



**76% of educators would be comfortable returning if these conditions are met.**

## All education: K-12/PSRP/Higher Ed



# Why Is Re-opening Schools Important?

*Best Reason for Schools to Re-open at the Beginning of the Traditional School Year*

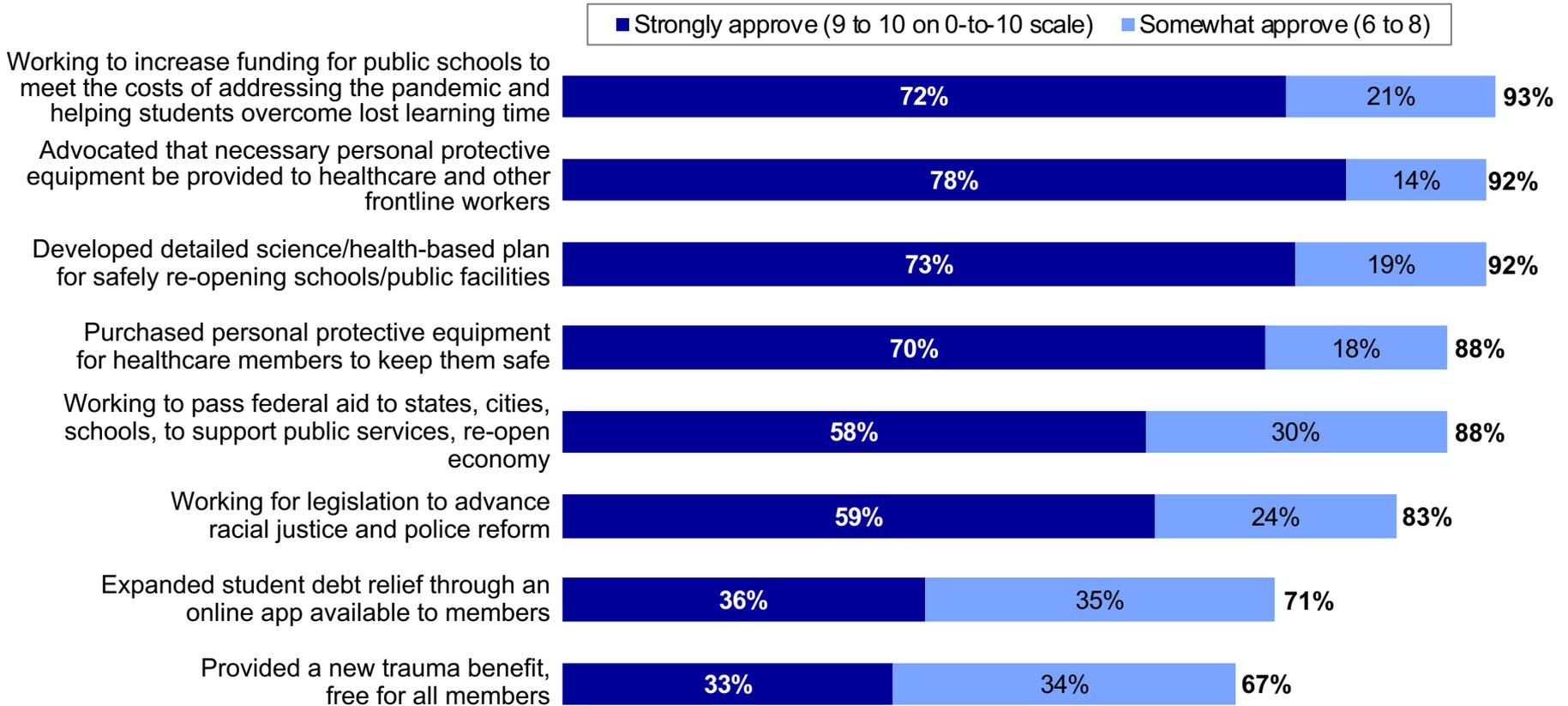
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If schools do not re-open, students will continue to fall behind academically.  45%

Schools provide critical nutrition, counseling, social services, esp. for disadvantaged students.  34%

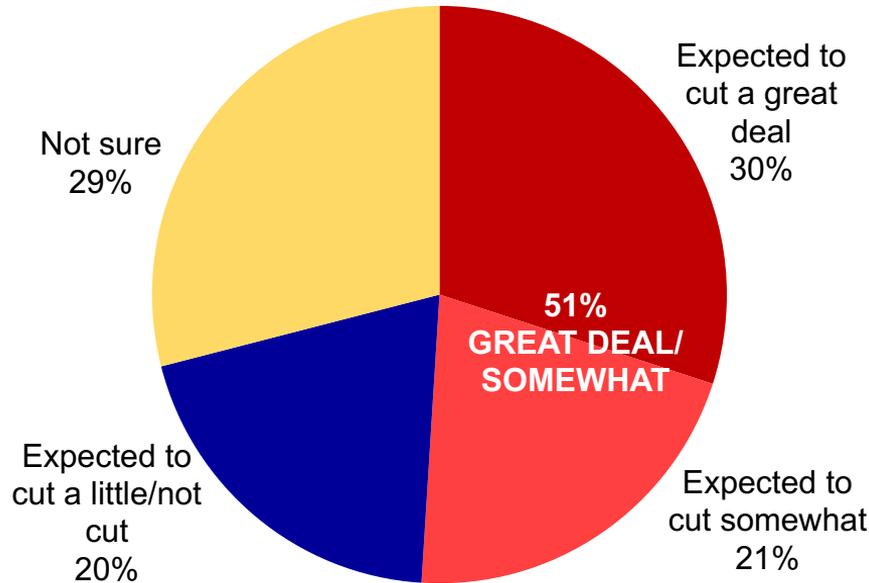
Can't re-open economy, working parents can't return to jobs if schools remain closed.  11%

# Members Strongly Approve of AFT Initiatives



# Some Are Concerned about Prospect of Cuts

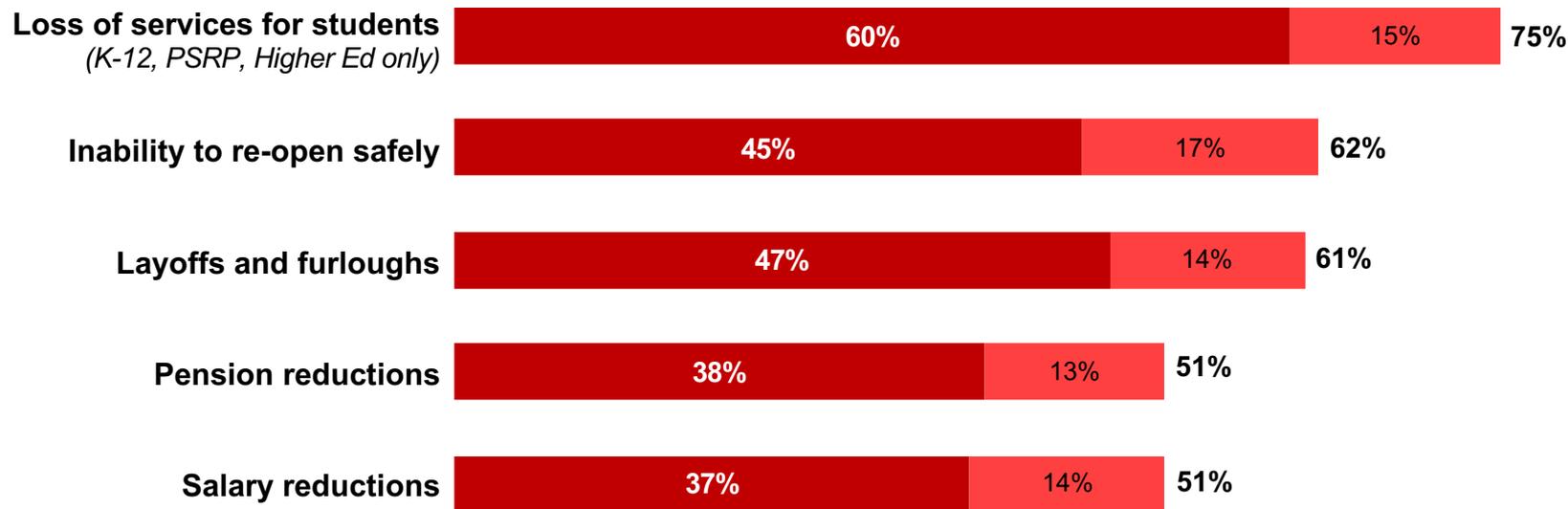
*From what you know, are states expected to cut funding for education and other public services as a result of the coronavirus outbreak and the economic slowdown?*



<i>Expected to cut a great deal/somewhat</i>	
K-12	54%
PSRP	44%
Higher Ed	63%
Healthcare	40%
Public Employee	41%
Retiree	49%

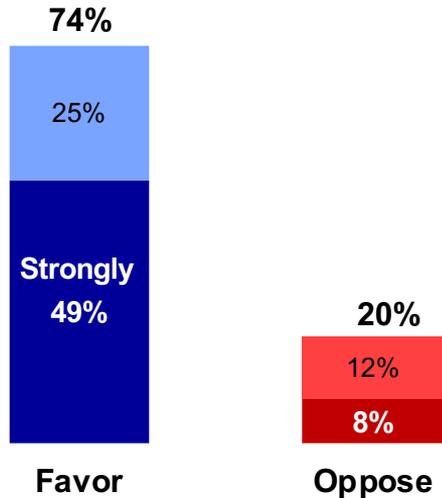
# Concern about Impact of 20% Revenue Loss

*Experts say that states and localities will see their tax revenues decline by about 20% this year on average. How concerned are you that this could result in each of the following where you work?*

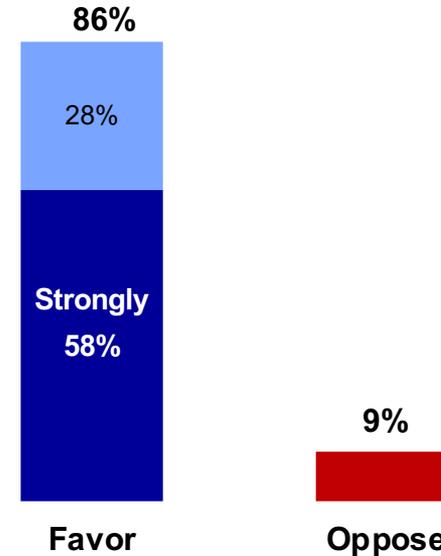


# Support for State Taxes and Federal Aid

*Proposals in many states to raise taxes on the wealthy to increase revenue and avoid large cuts in education, healthcare, and other public services*



*Congressional proposal for \$1 trillion federal aid to states, cities, towns, to replace lost revenue from economic shut-down, maintain public services such as healthcare/education*





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