

HISTORY OF OUR TOWN ZONING

In the 1950's a Zoning Commission began meeting in Clinton. The first Zoning Laws were adopted in 1969, again in 1981 and revised in 1991. The large lot size was recommended by consultants who based their information on the structure of the soil's ability to absorb septic waste and protect drinking water. Clinton looks as it does today because of this wise zoning recommendation and many landowners who have chosen to keep their land as large lots with beautiful open space.

WHAT IS ZONING? *

The Town Board has asked the Comprehensive Plan Committee to update the current zoning to reflect changes in the community and the law.

In New York State authority has been delegated to municipalities to adopt comprehensive plans and zoning laws as well as subdivision & site plan regulations.

Under this Municipal Home Rule Law, the authority allows municipalities to create legislation with regard to:

- Public health, safety and welfare
 - Physical environment

This authority has been relied upon to adopt regulations affecting natural resource protection and many other issues.

The most significant land use power allows municipalities to develop zoning laws to divide the district into zones or districts with certain land uses.

This zoning law must be developed in accordance with a comprehensive plan.

Citizen participation is required for the development of the comprehensive plan and zoning.

* (Source of information: Well Grounded, John R. Nolon, Pace University School of Law)

The Comprehensive Plan Committee invited all members of the Clinton community to become involved in this important process.

The Committee will continue to seek input and involvement from the community.

The following is the second presentation representing most of the remaining survey results.

Town Of Clinton



Comprehensive Plan Survey

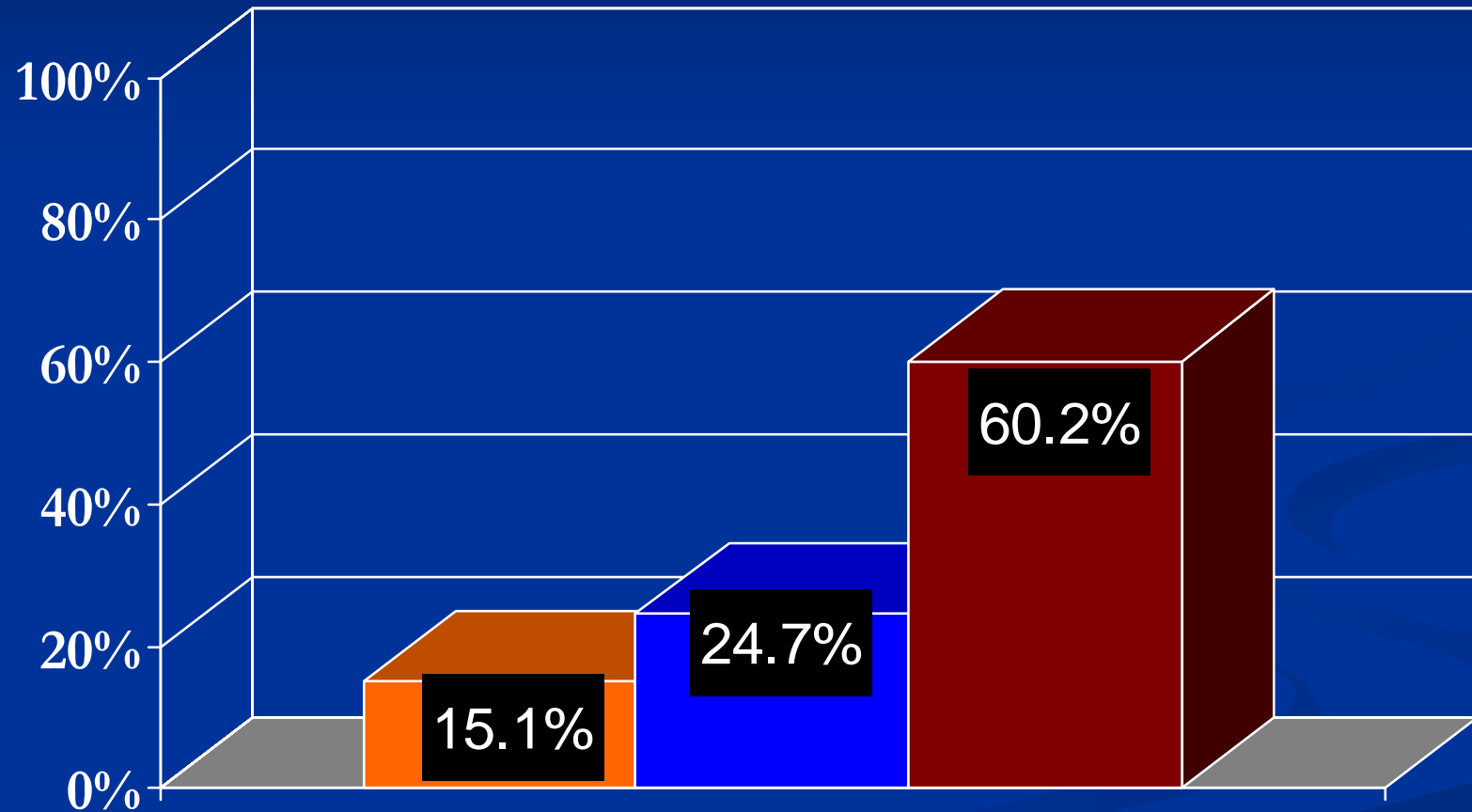
Notes On Results

- 486 Surveys Were Received
- Each Chart's percentage is based on the total number of responses for that question. Not all respondents answered all questions.
- Those Questions that were not multiple choice are not suitable for charting and will be presented in the future.

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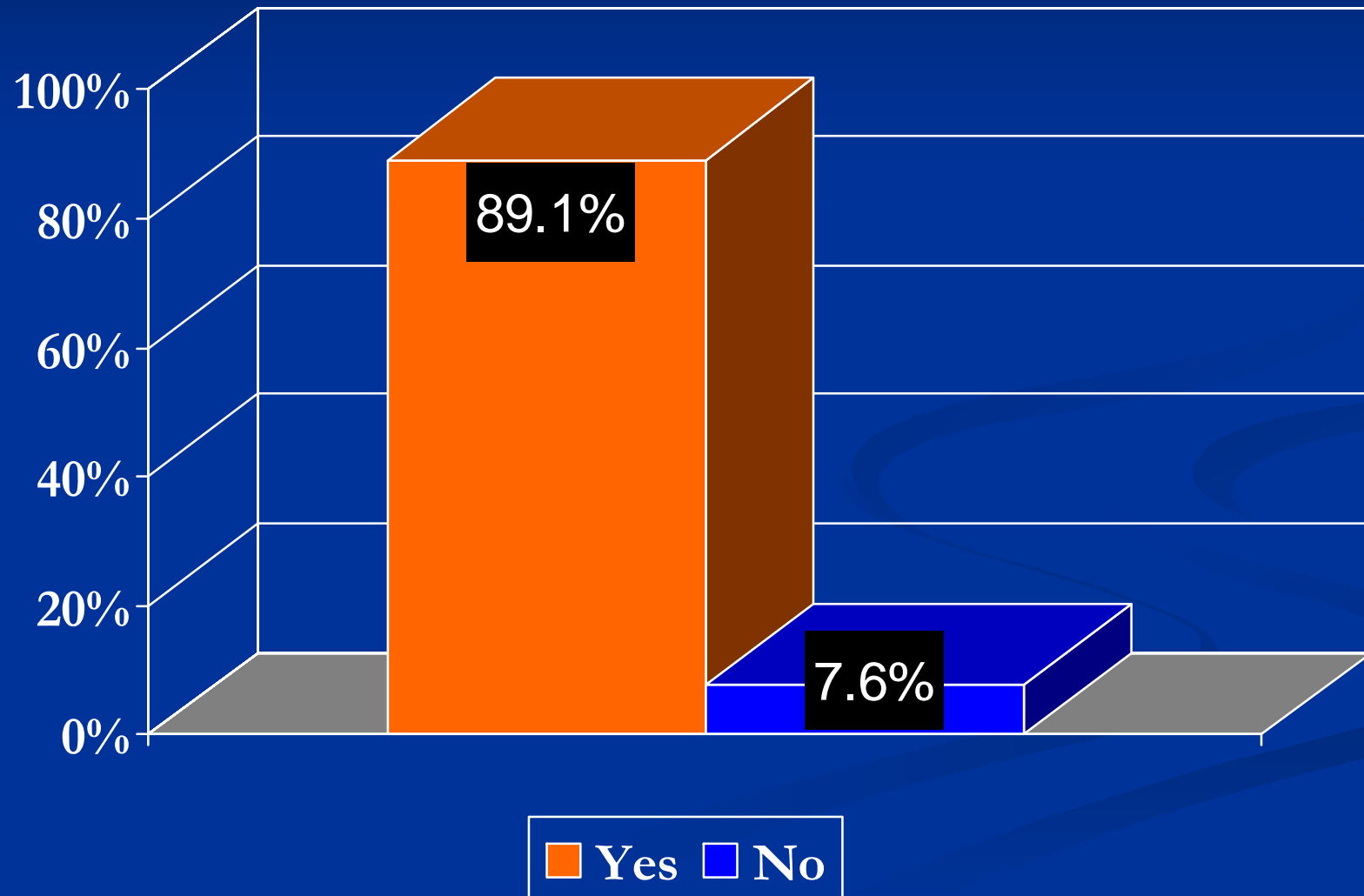
Demographic Information is helpful in understanding responses. The following charts are presented first to enhance this understanding.

How long have you lived in Clinton

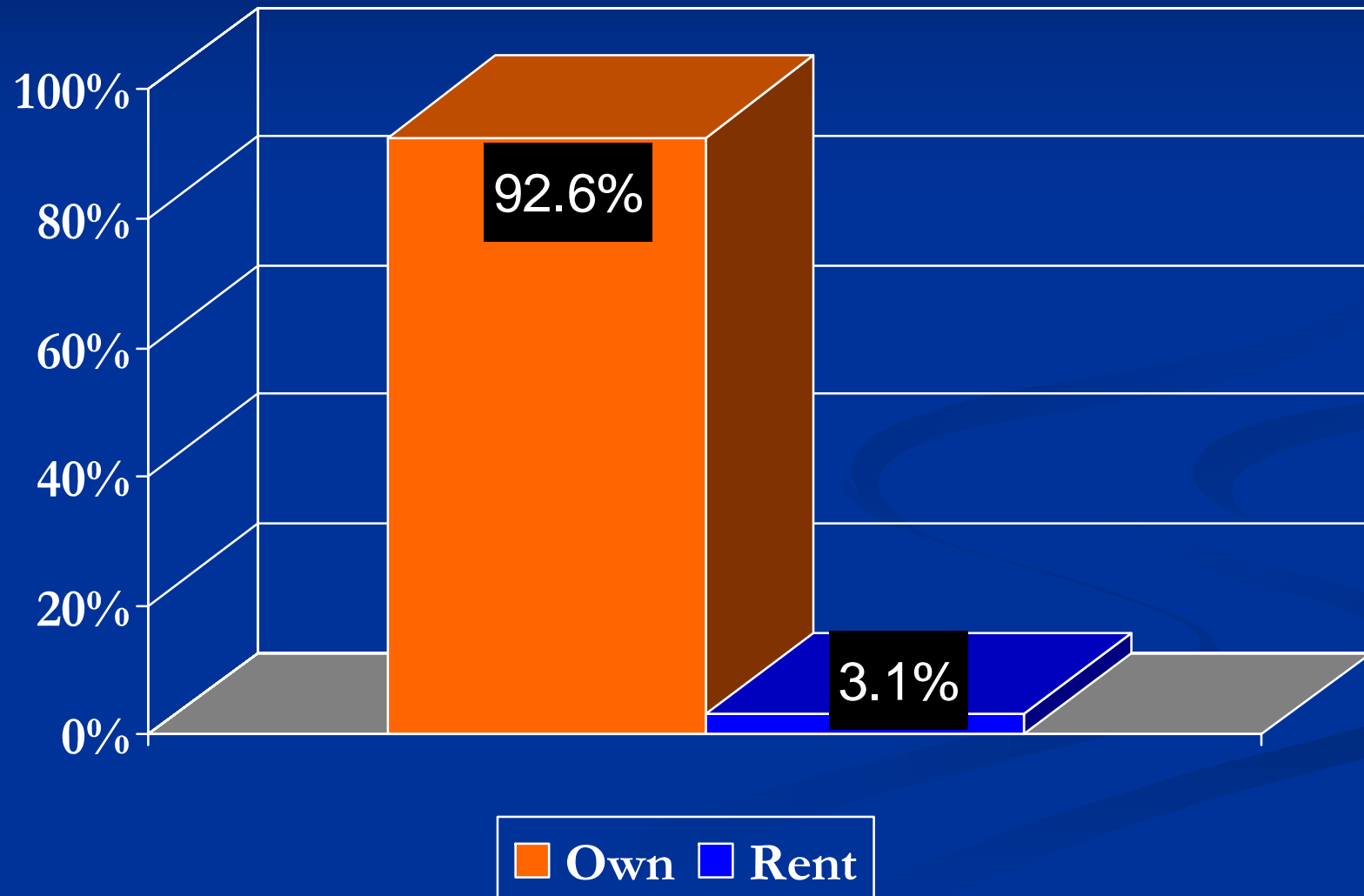


■ 0-5 Years ■ 6 - 15 Years ■ More than 15 Years

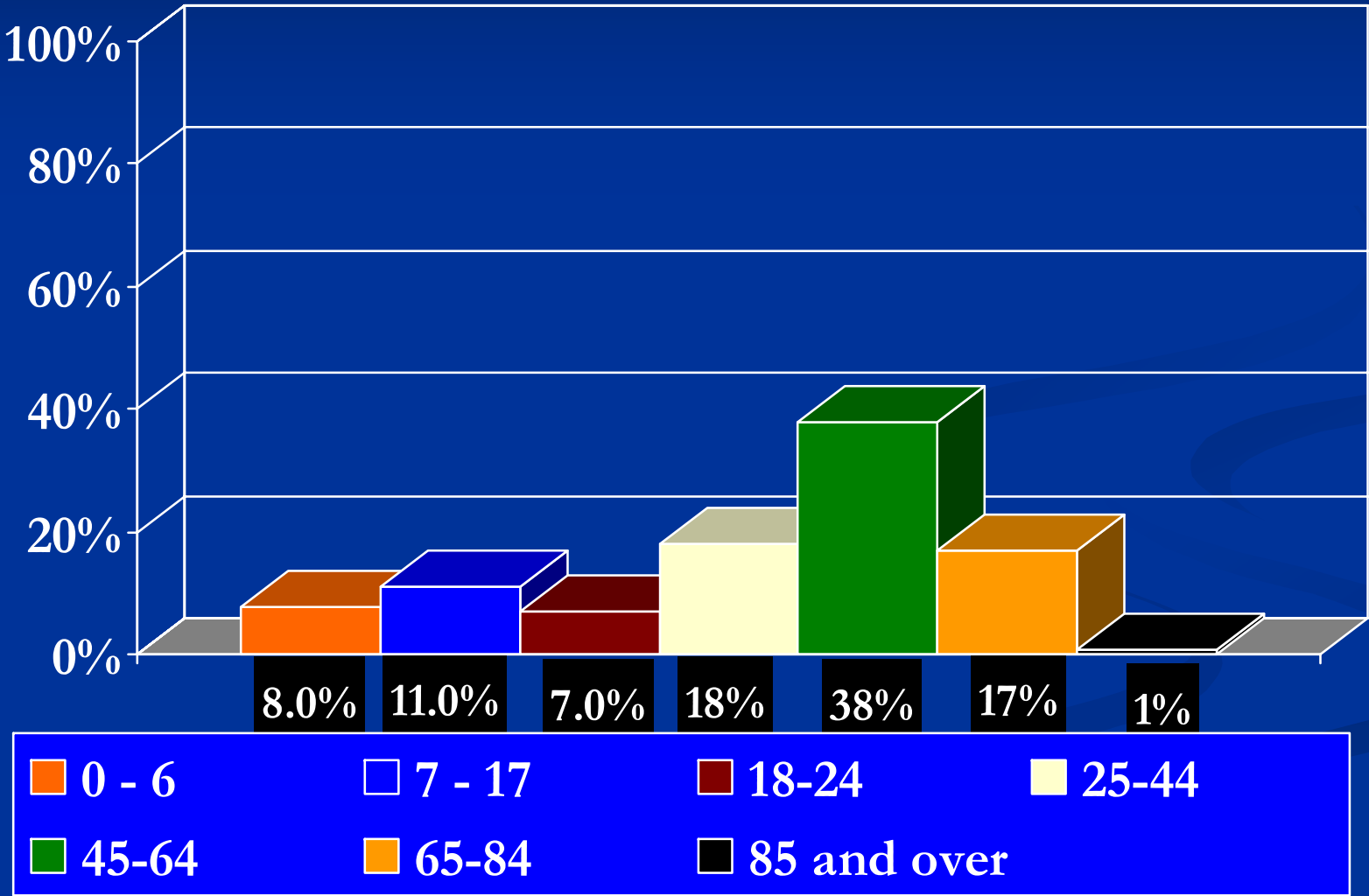
Are you a year-round resident?



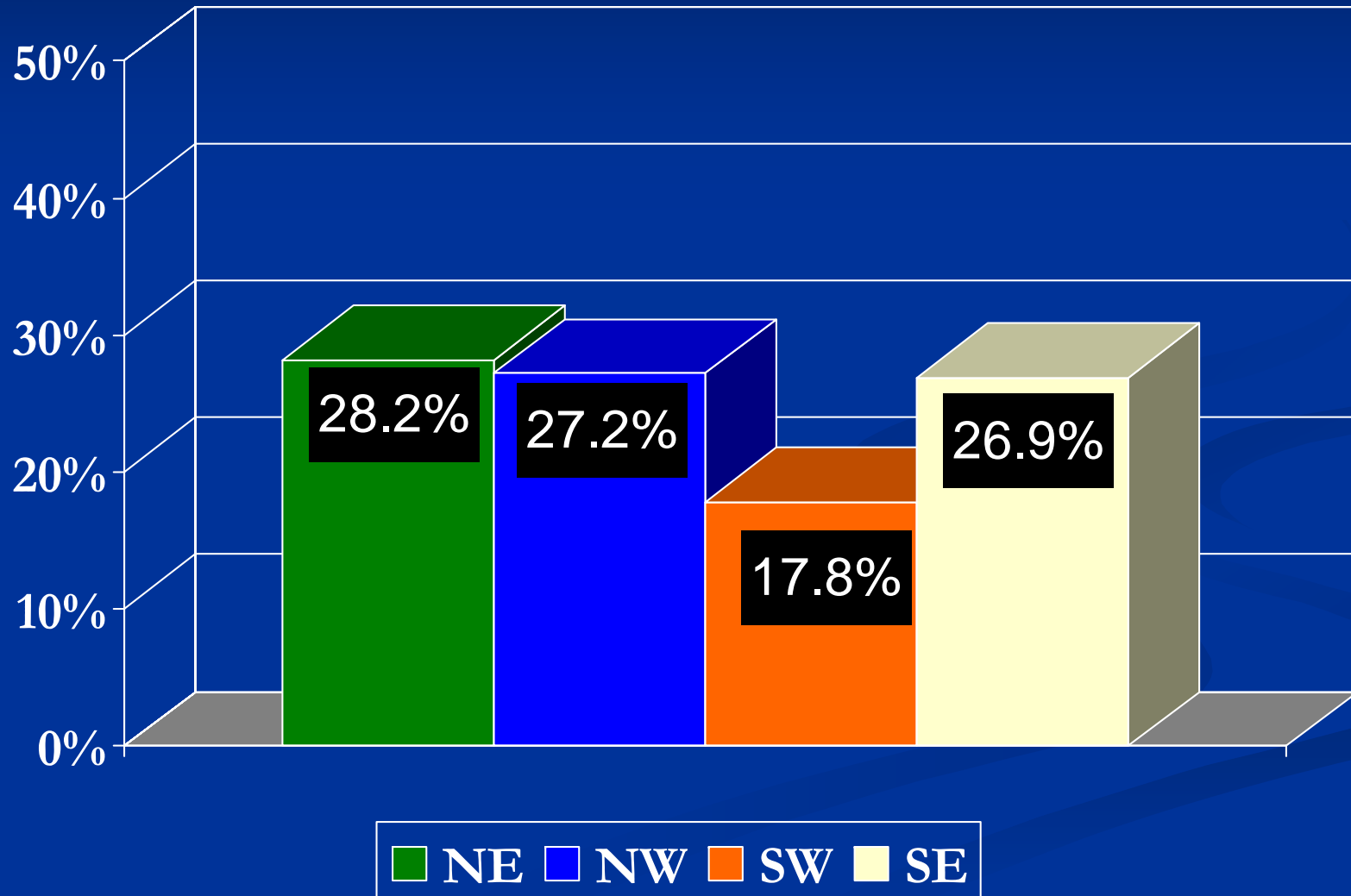
Do you own or rent your home?



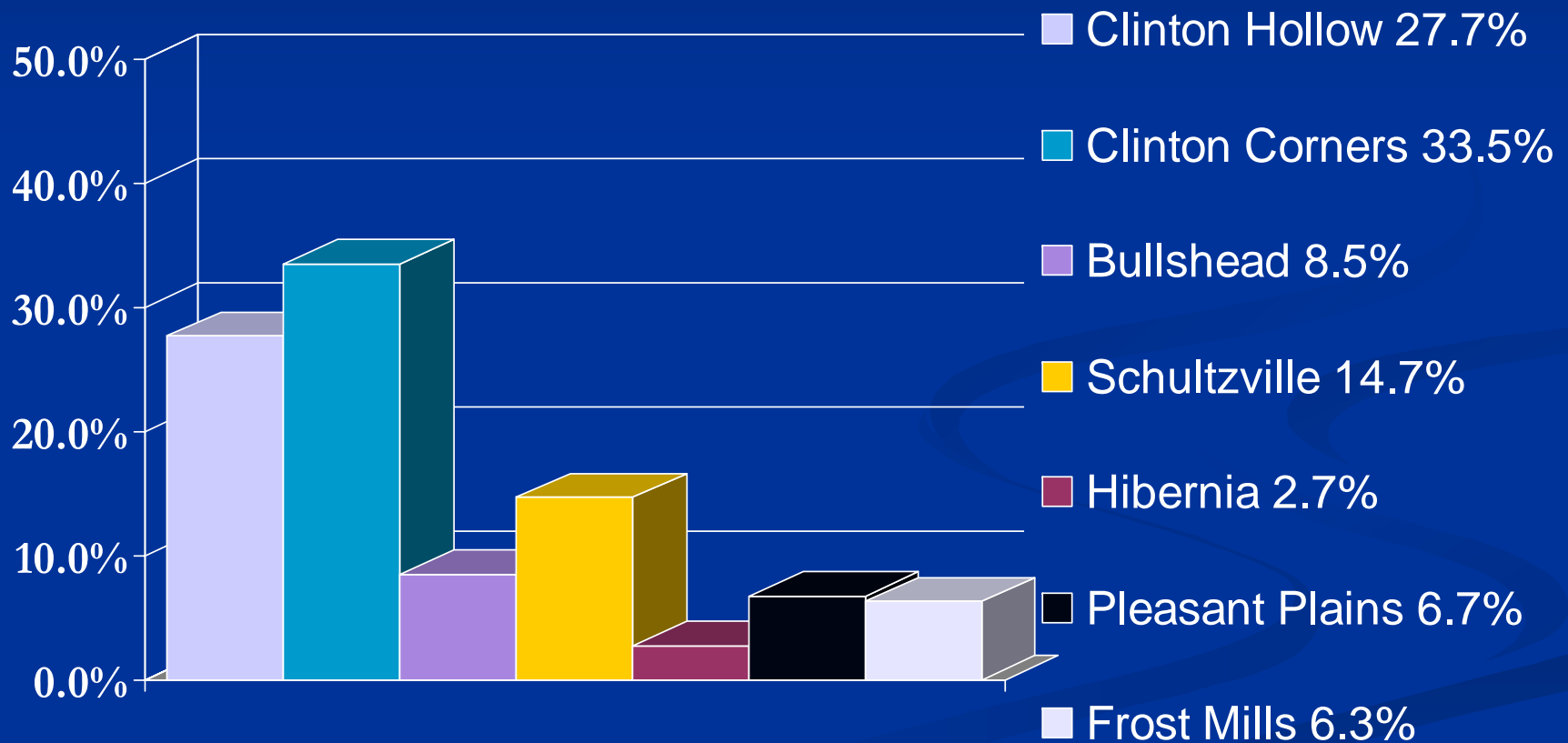
Please list the ages in your household.



In which section of town do you live



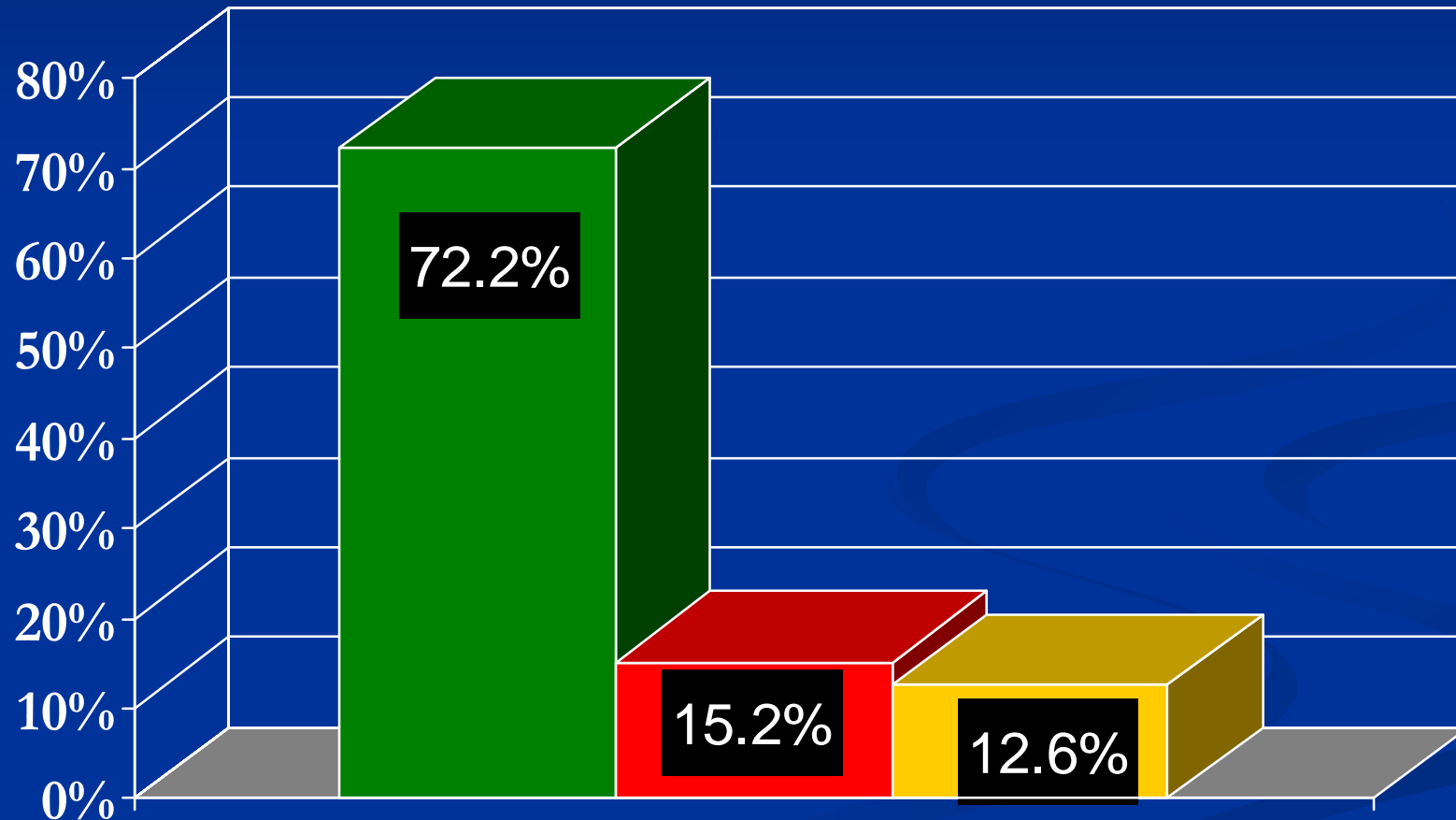
Select the hamlet you live in (if applicable)



Summary of Demographics of participants:

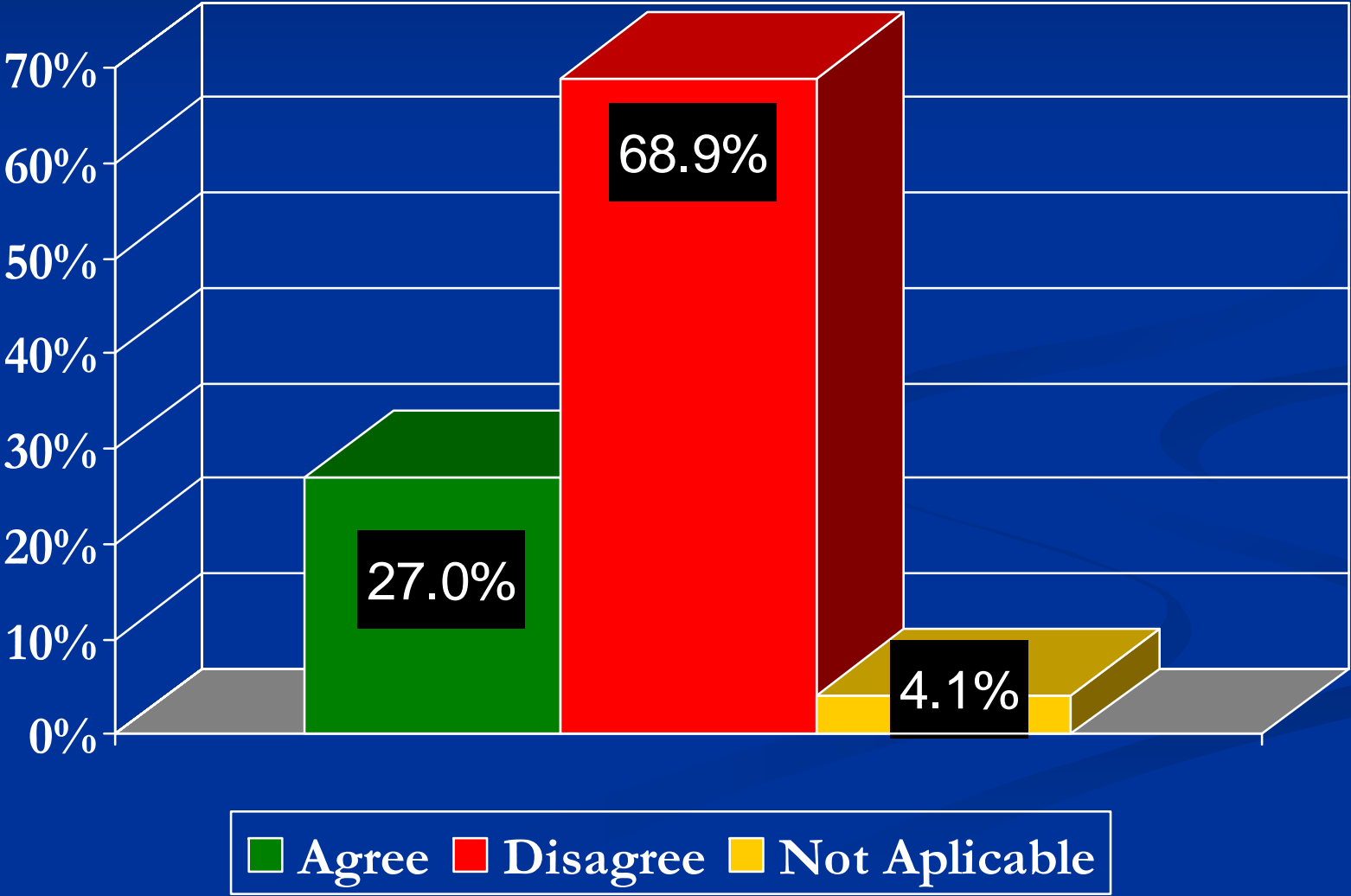
- 60% have lived in Clinton more than 15 years
 - 89% Are year-round residents
 - 92% Own their home
 - 38% are 45-64 yrs old
- Respondents are fairly evenly distributed in the sections of town.
- 47% of all respondents indicated they live in a hamlet

30. The current transfer station meets my needs (solid waste)

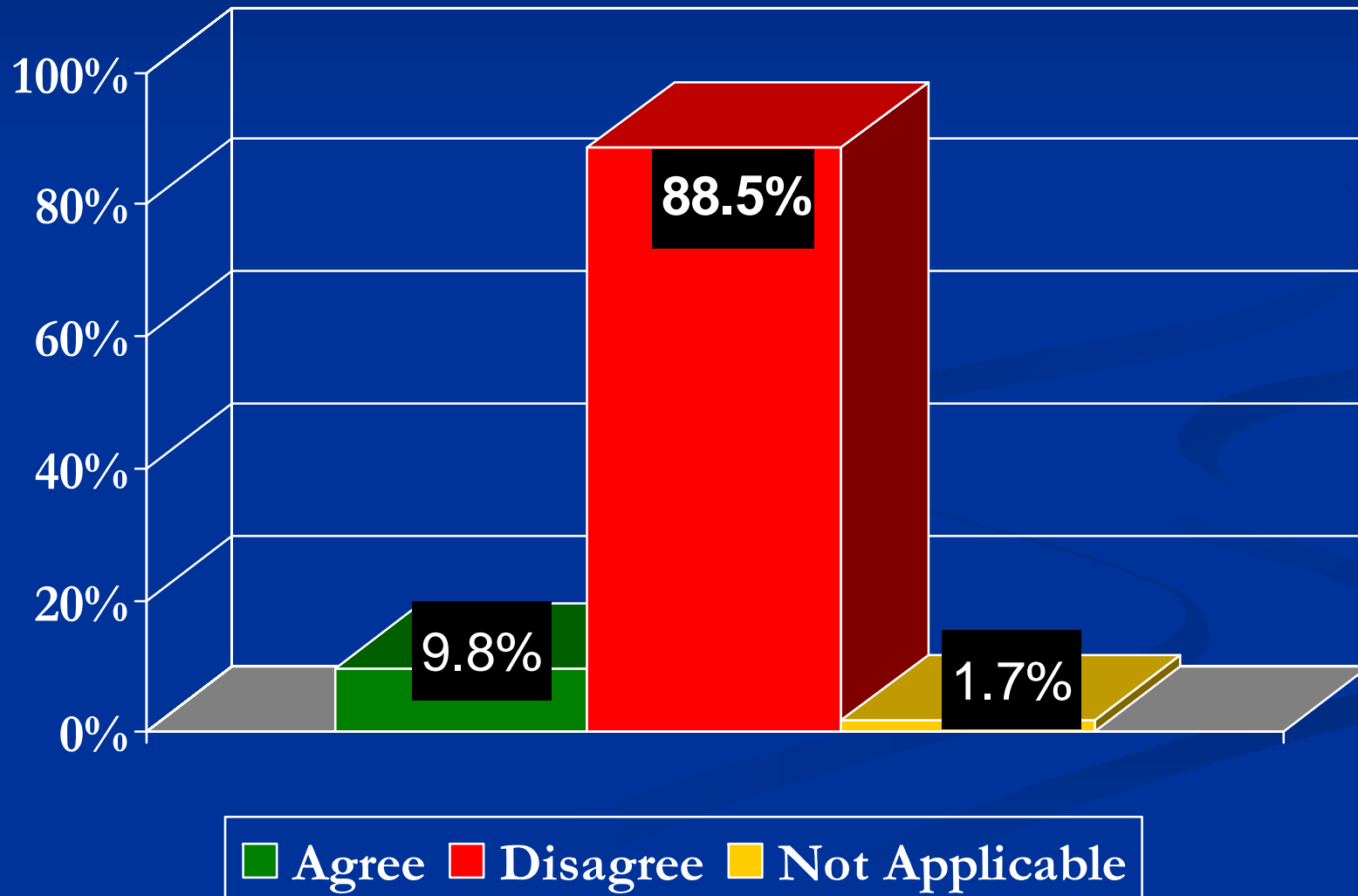


■ Agree ■ Disagree ■ Not Applicable

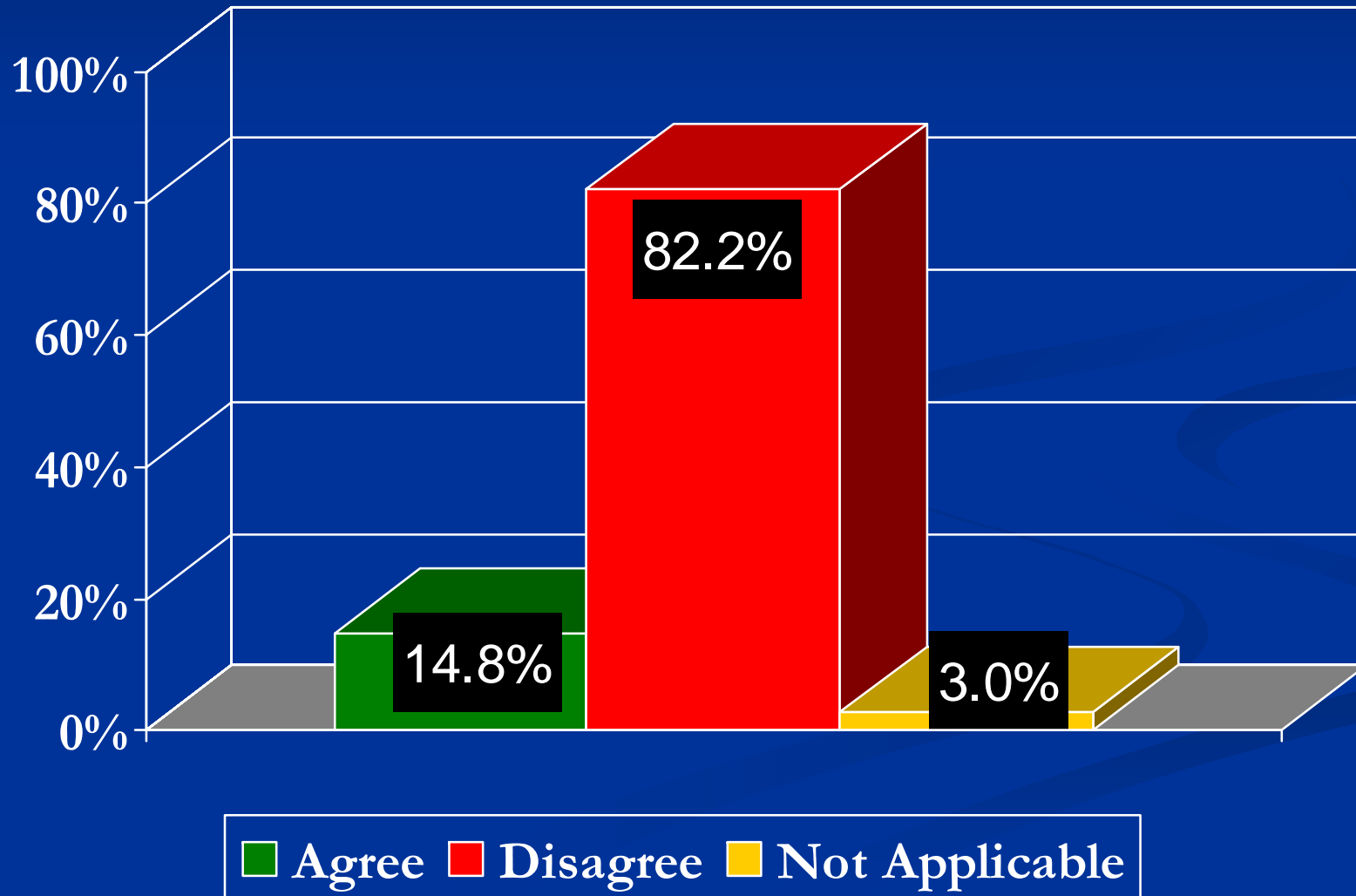
31. The Town should provide pickup of solid waste and recycling material for all town residents.



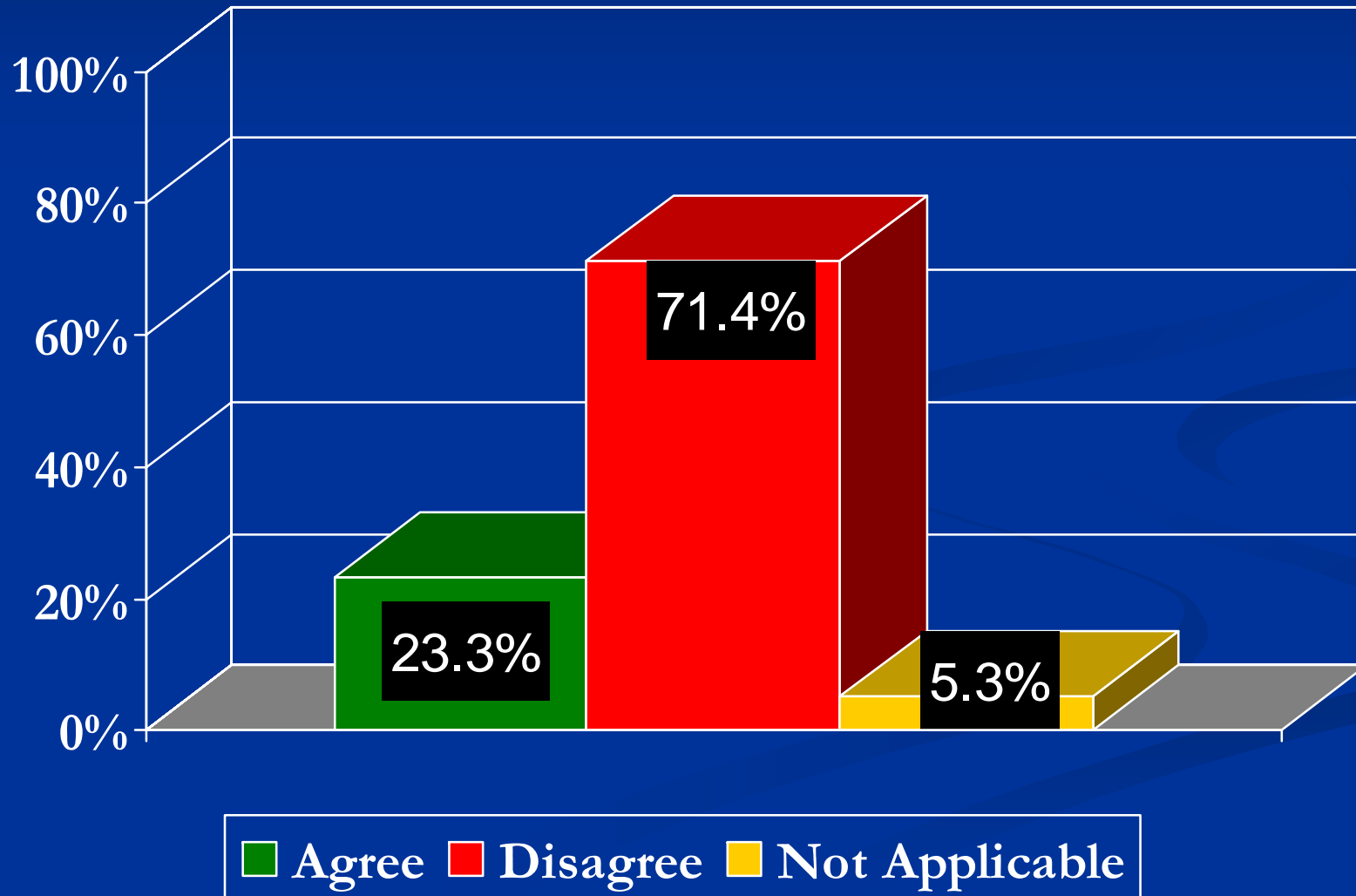
32. Well planned mobile home communities should be encouraged as alternative housing.



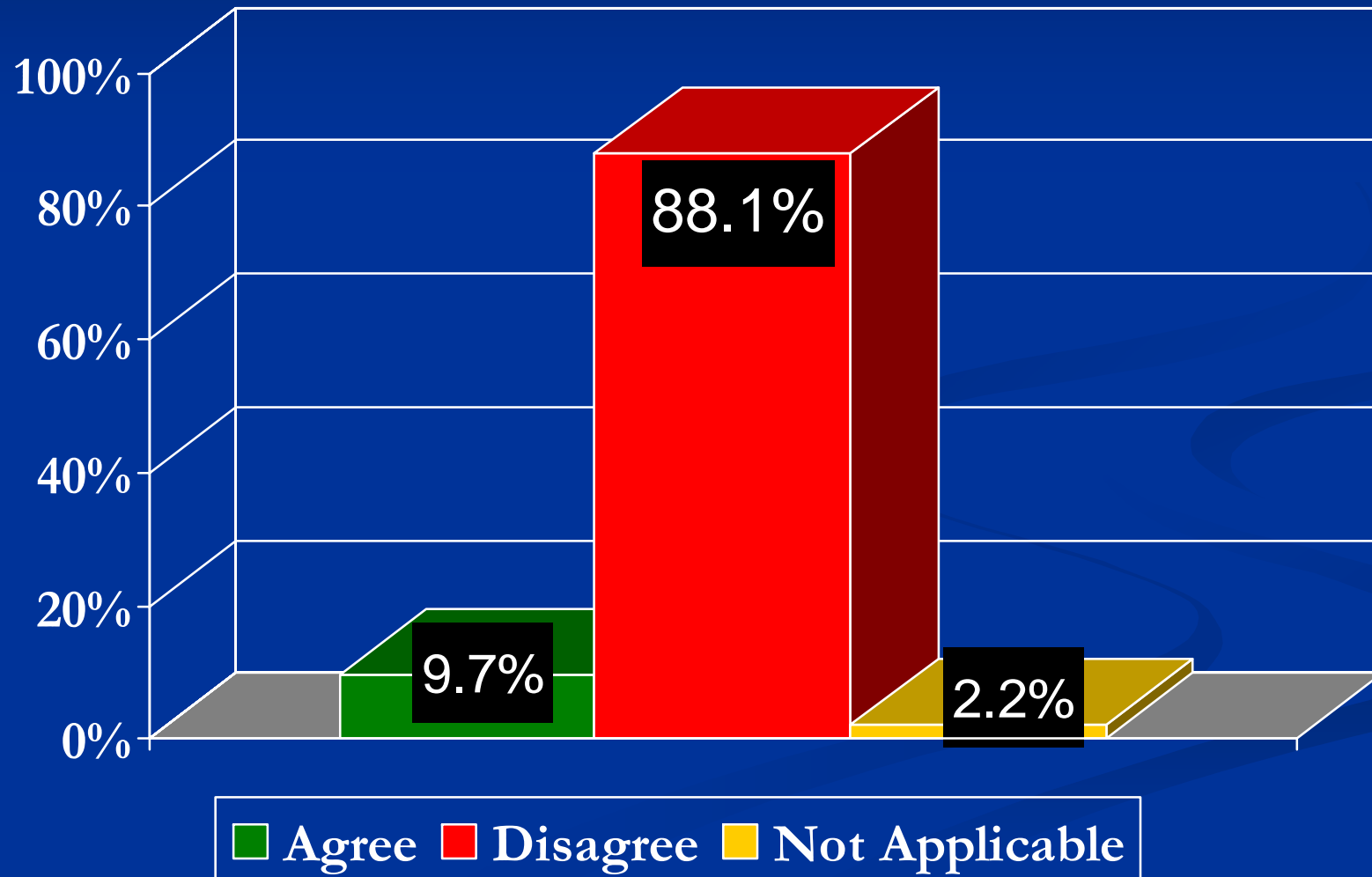
33. Clinton needs more apartments



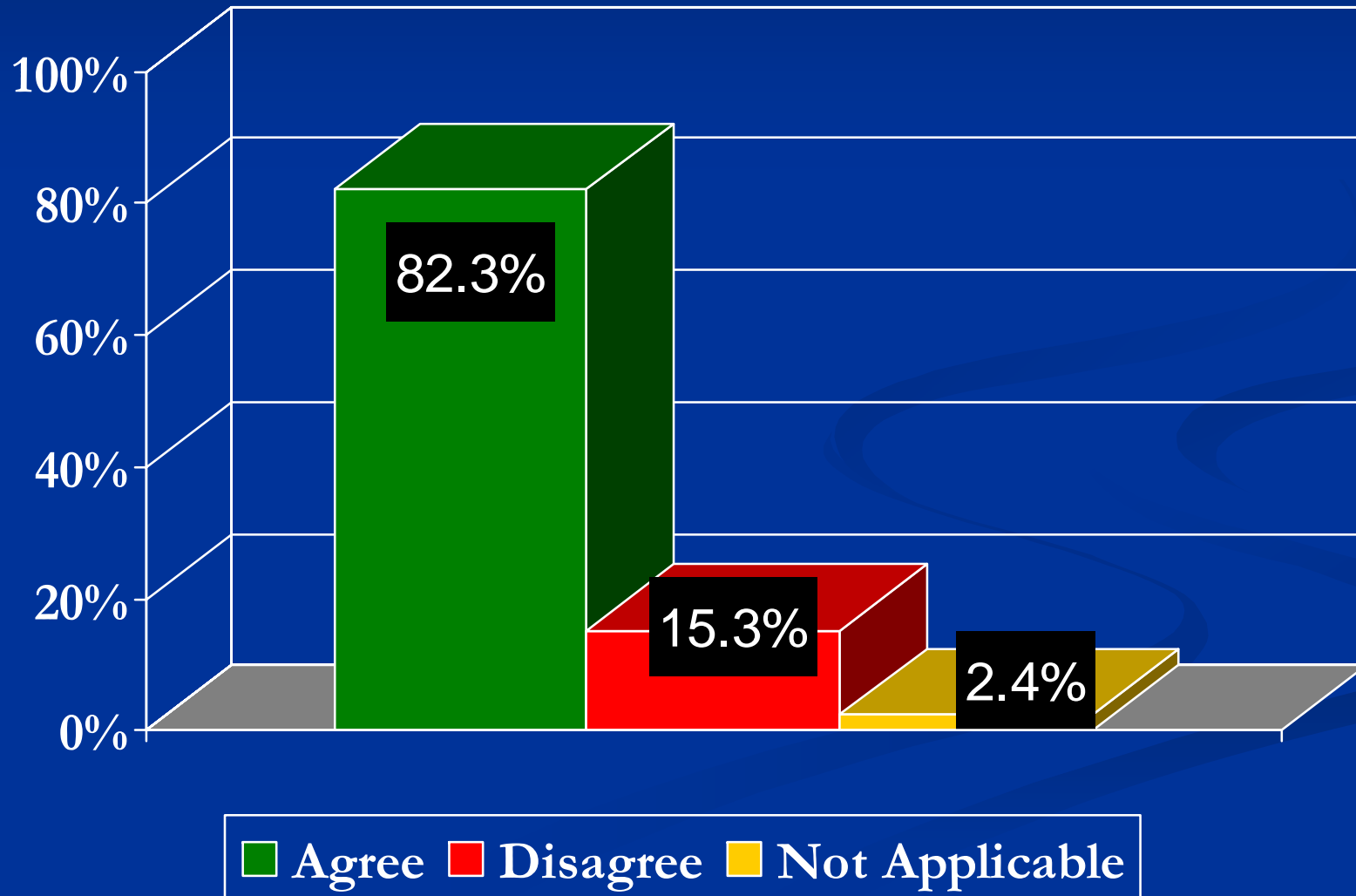
34. Clinton needs more detached single family houses.



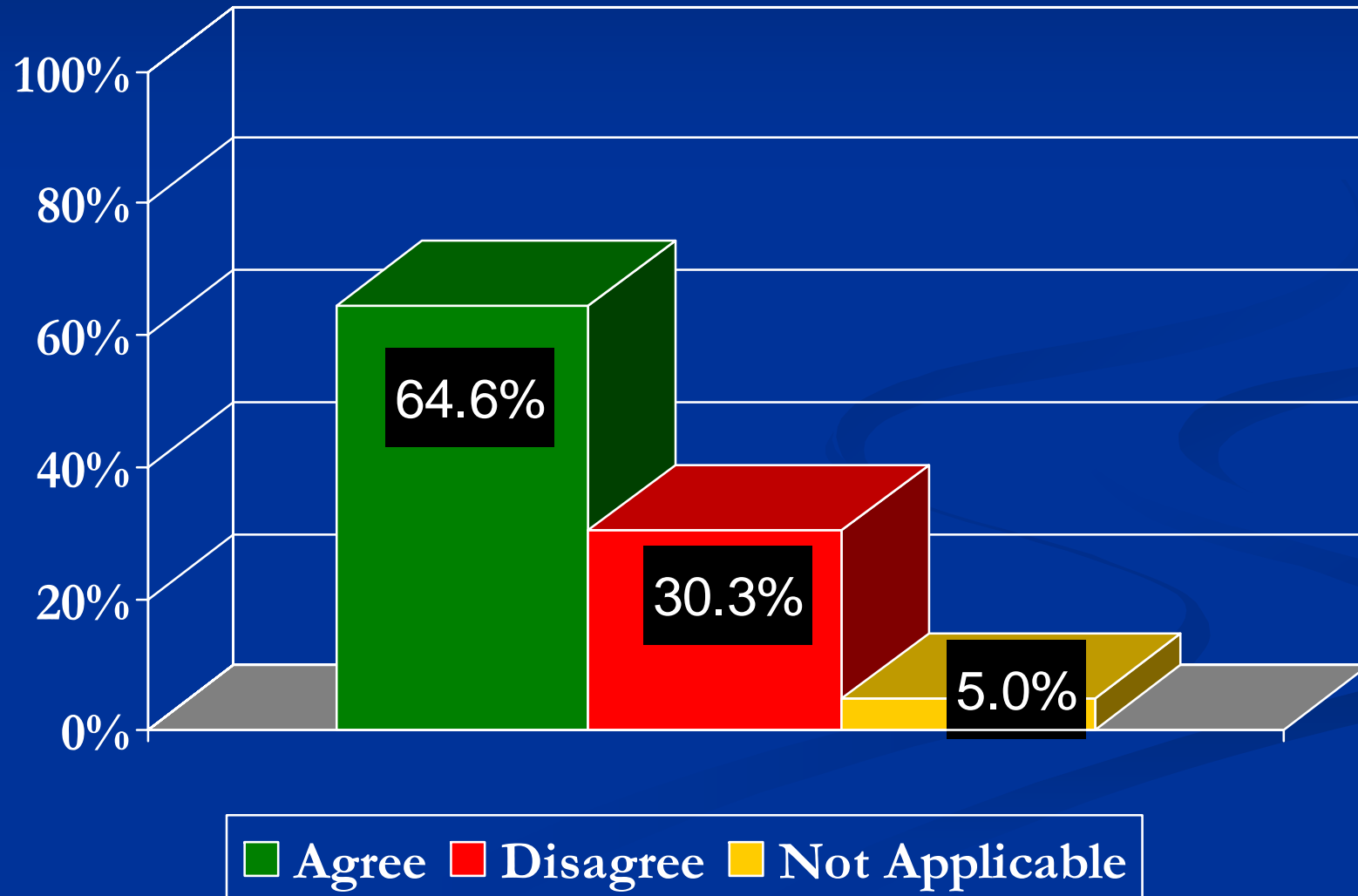
35. Clinton needs more condominiums and townhouses



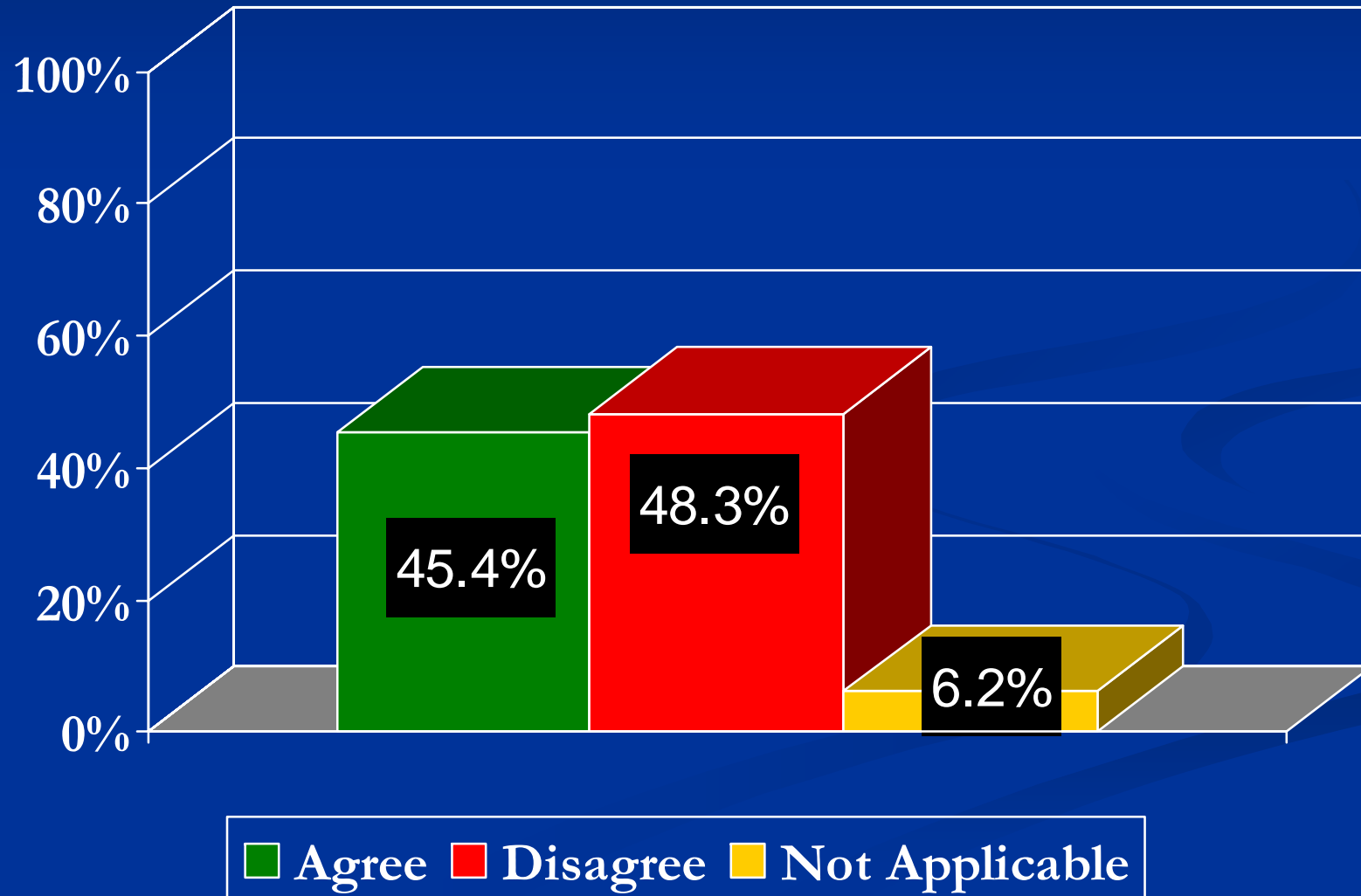
36. Clinton should allow conversion of existing buildings for residential use (such as abandoned farm buildings)



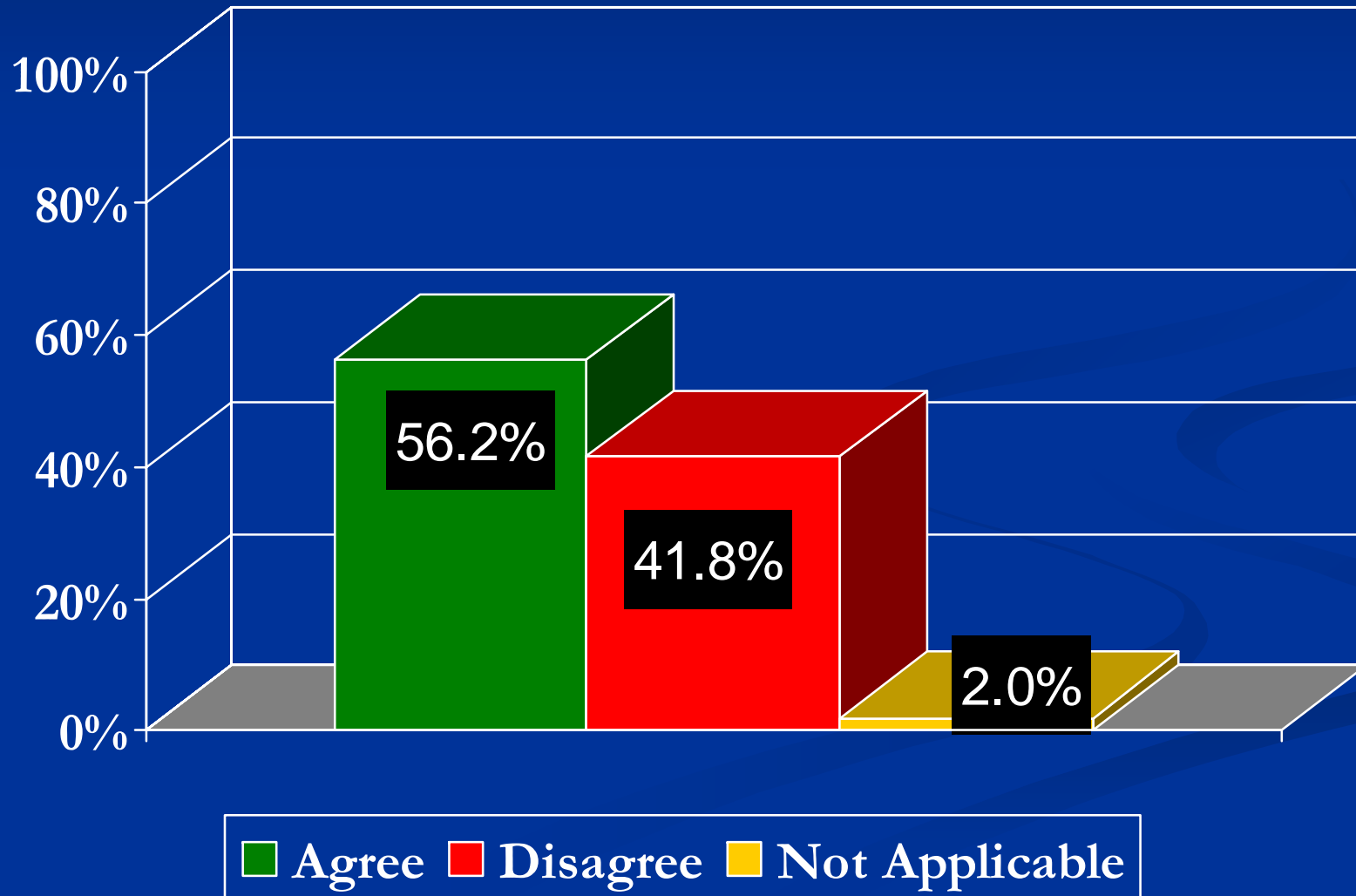
37. Clinton should allow one accessory apartment in existing homes.



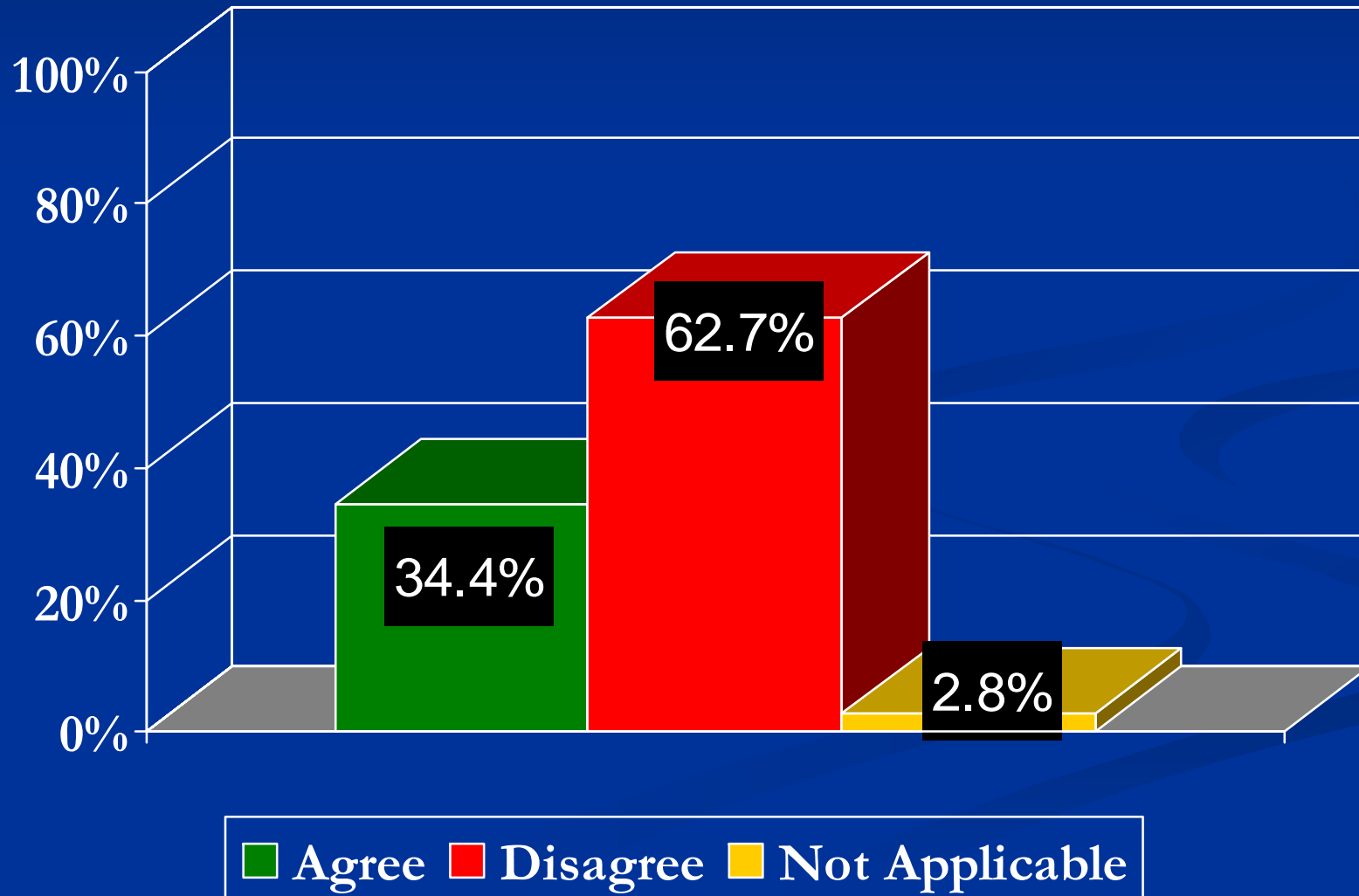
38. Clinton should have a graduated care facility (one that can offer a continuum of living arrangements through a skilled nursing home)



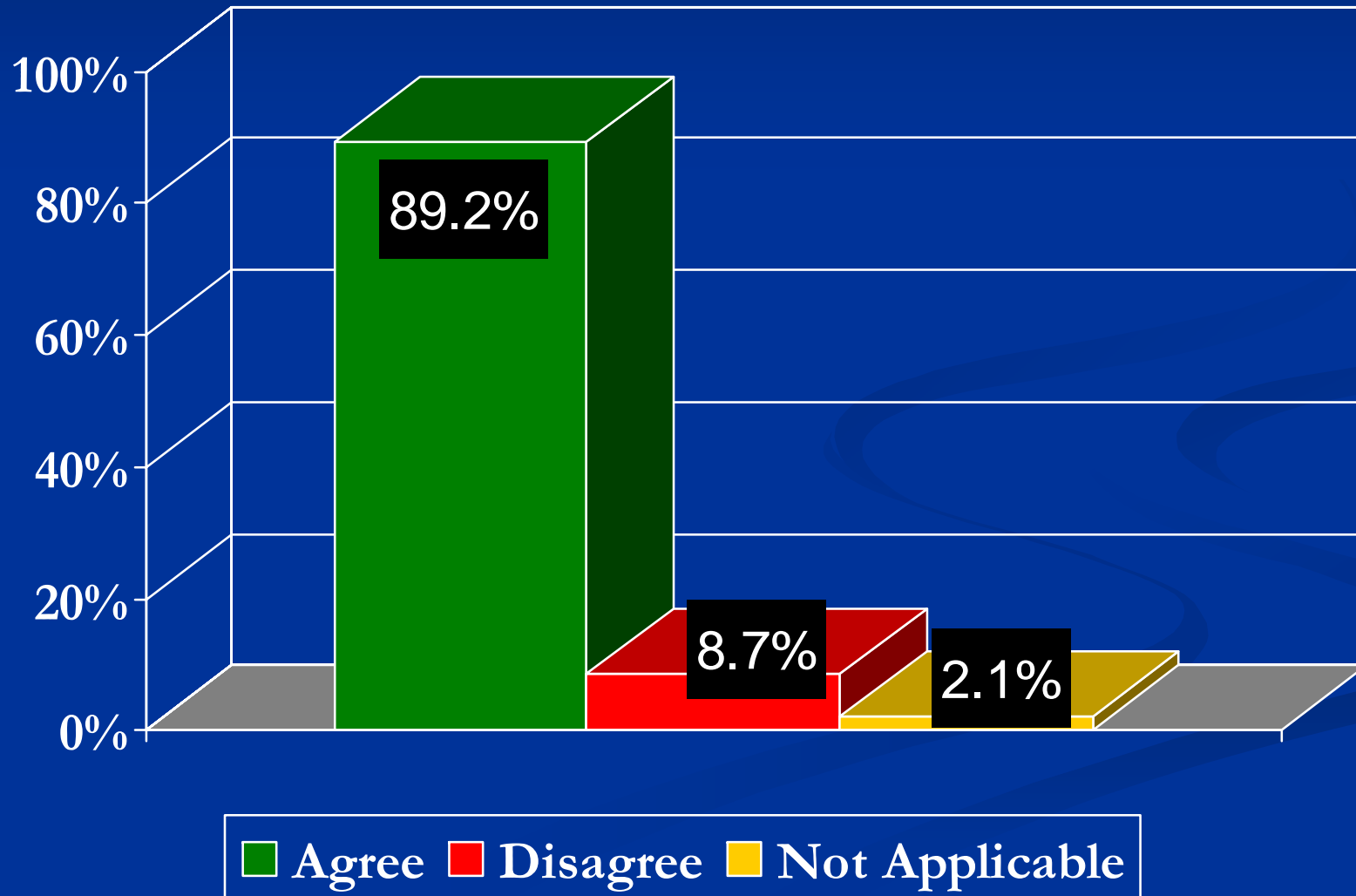
39. Clinton needs some growth in order to stay healthy in the future.



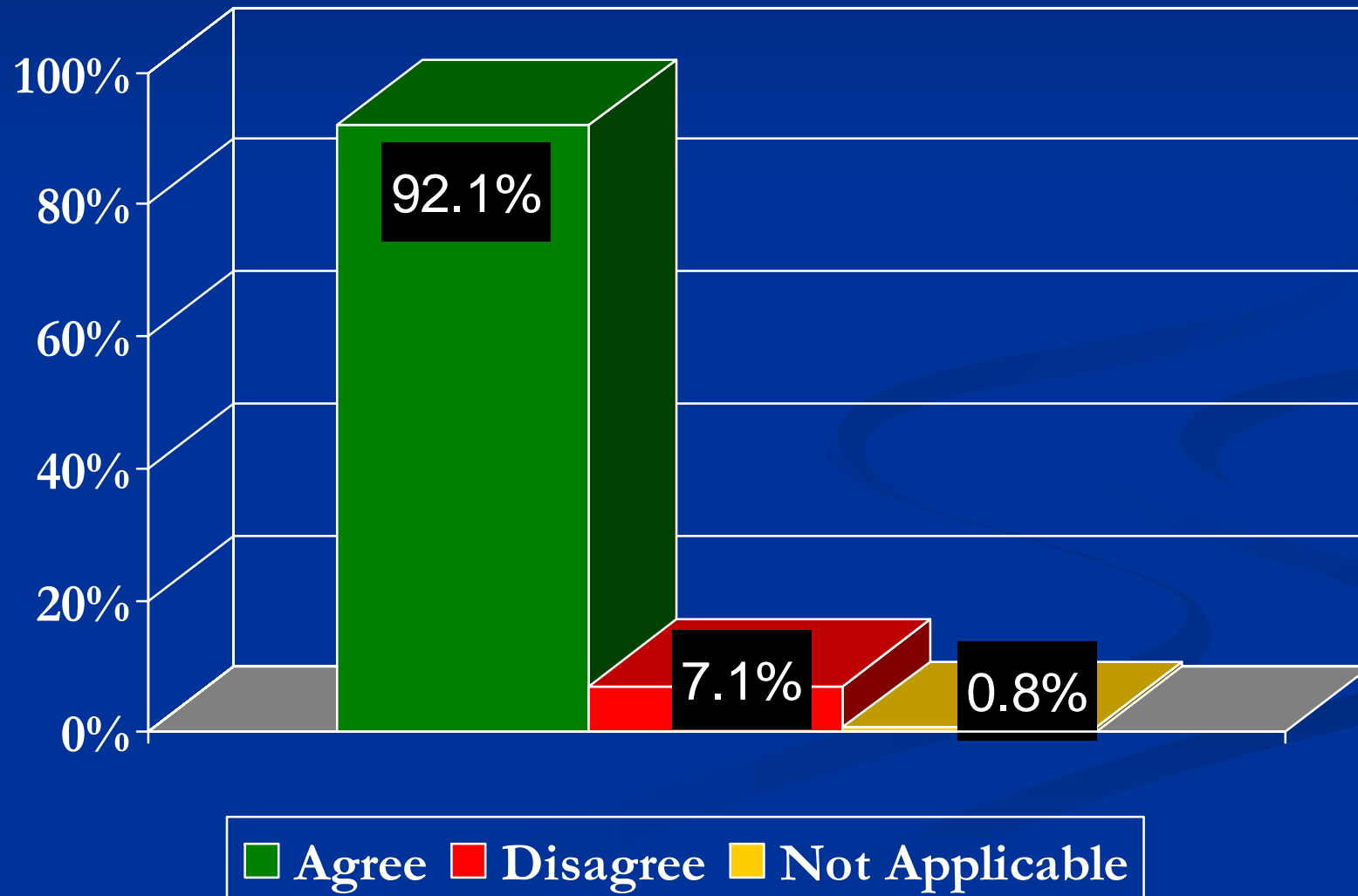
40. Development should be aimed at making Clinton more attractive to tourists



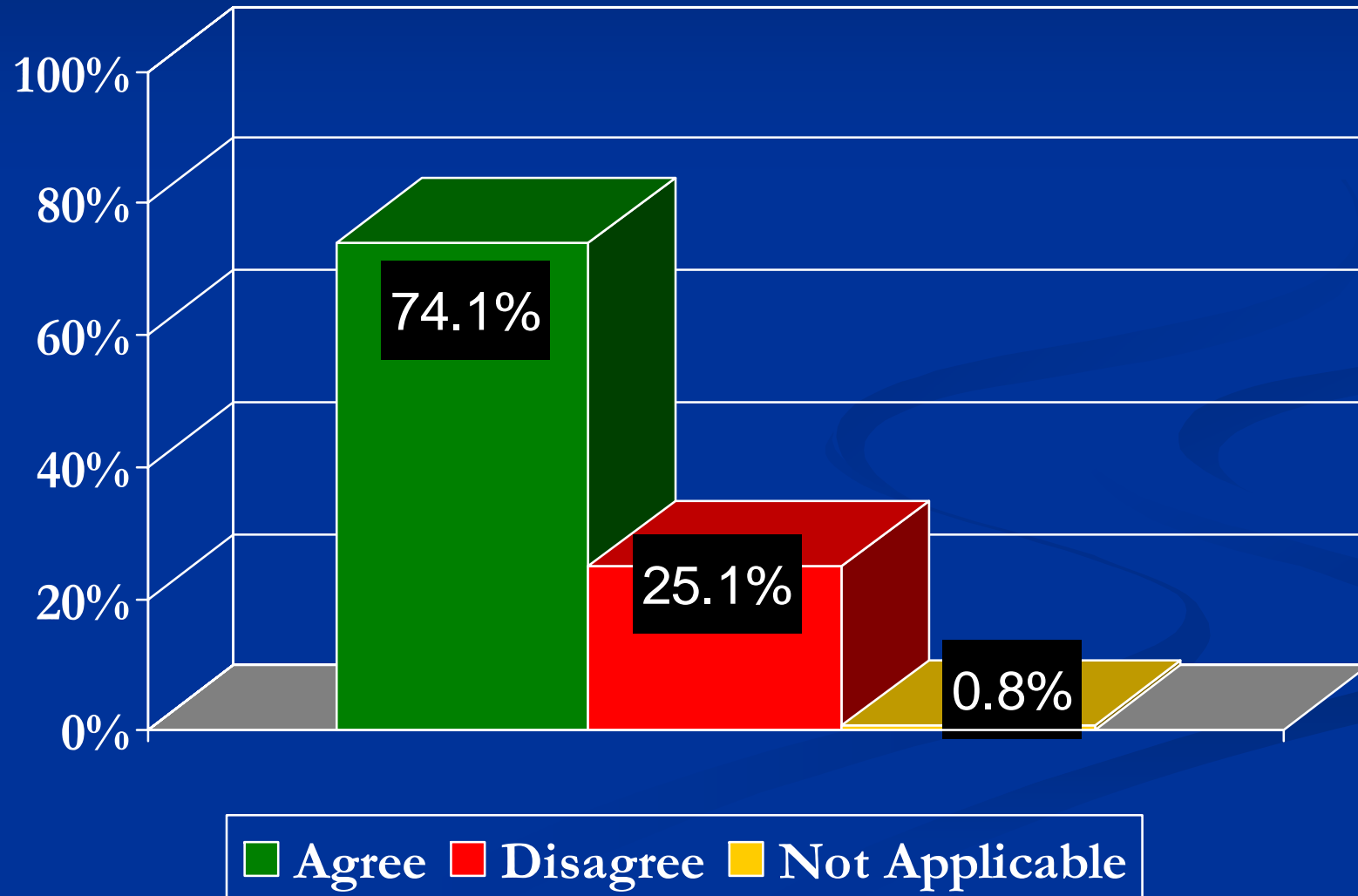
41. Clinton should emphasize and enforce high esthetic standards for new businesses.



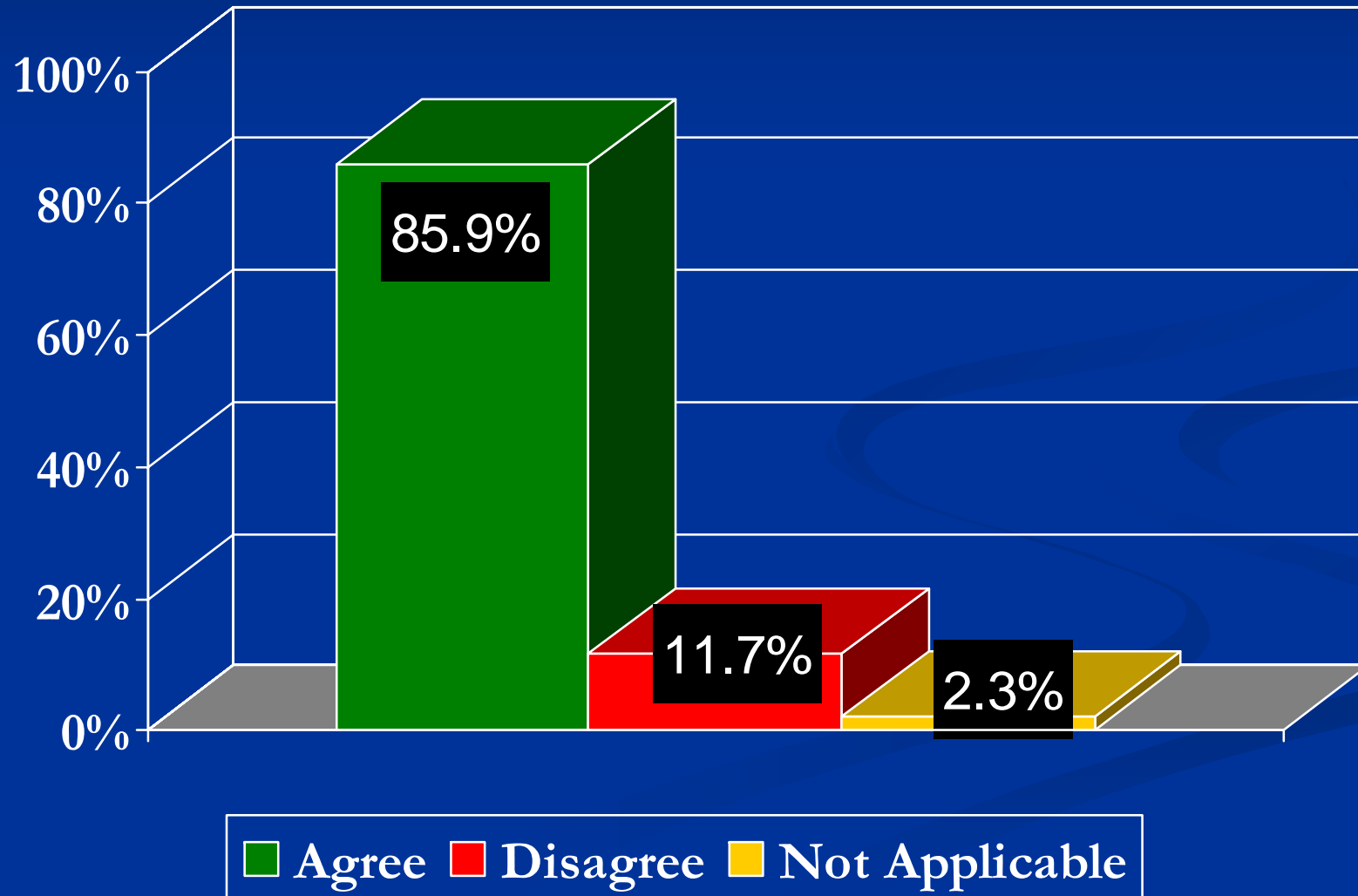
42. Clinton should make every effort to prevent strip development along highways.



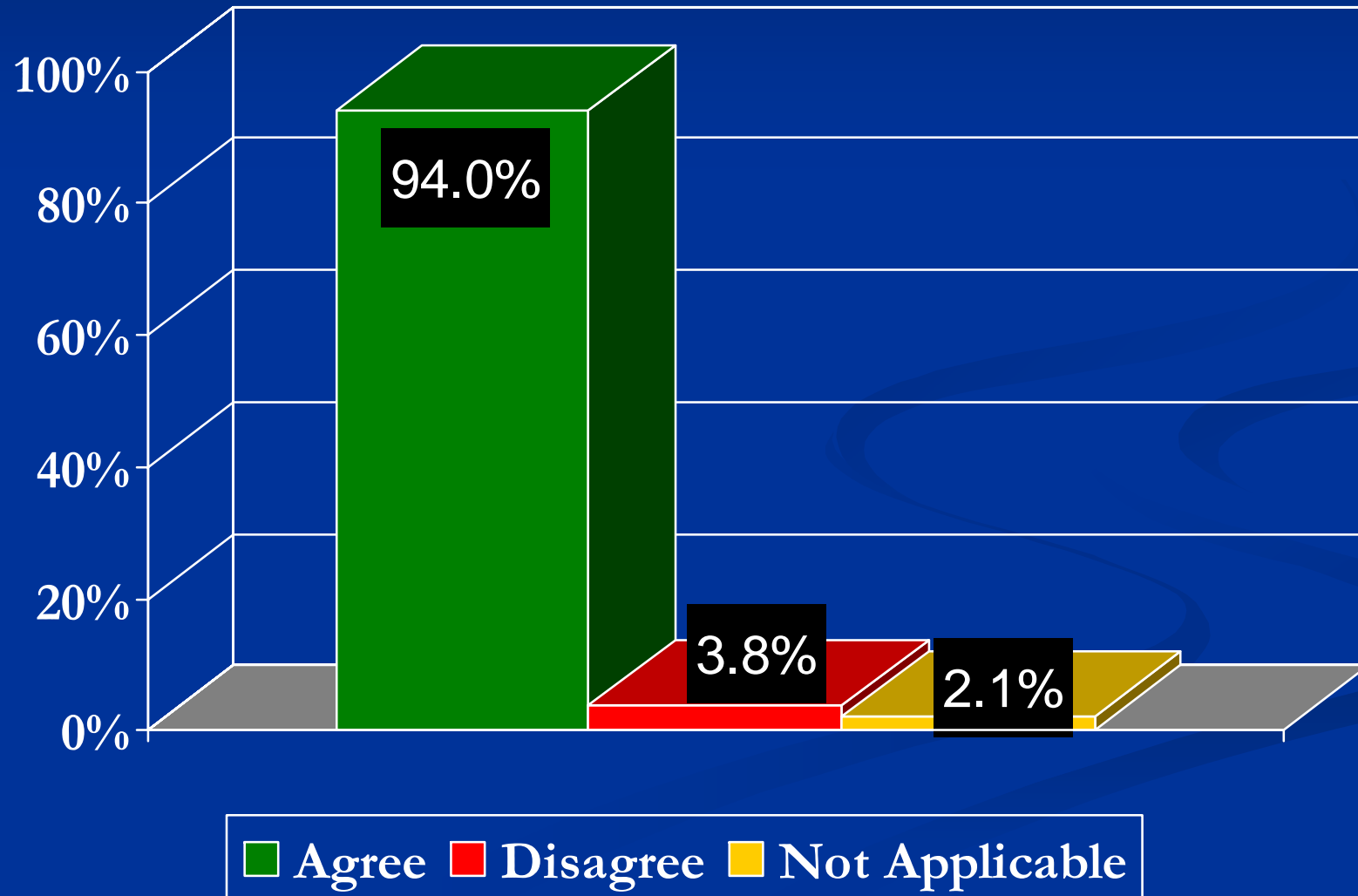
43. Limited commercial development should be allowed in the hamlet centers.



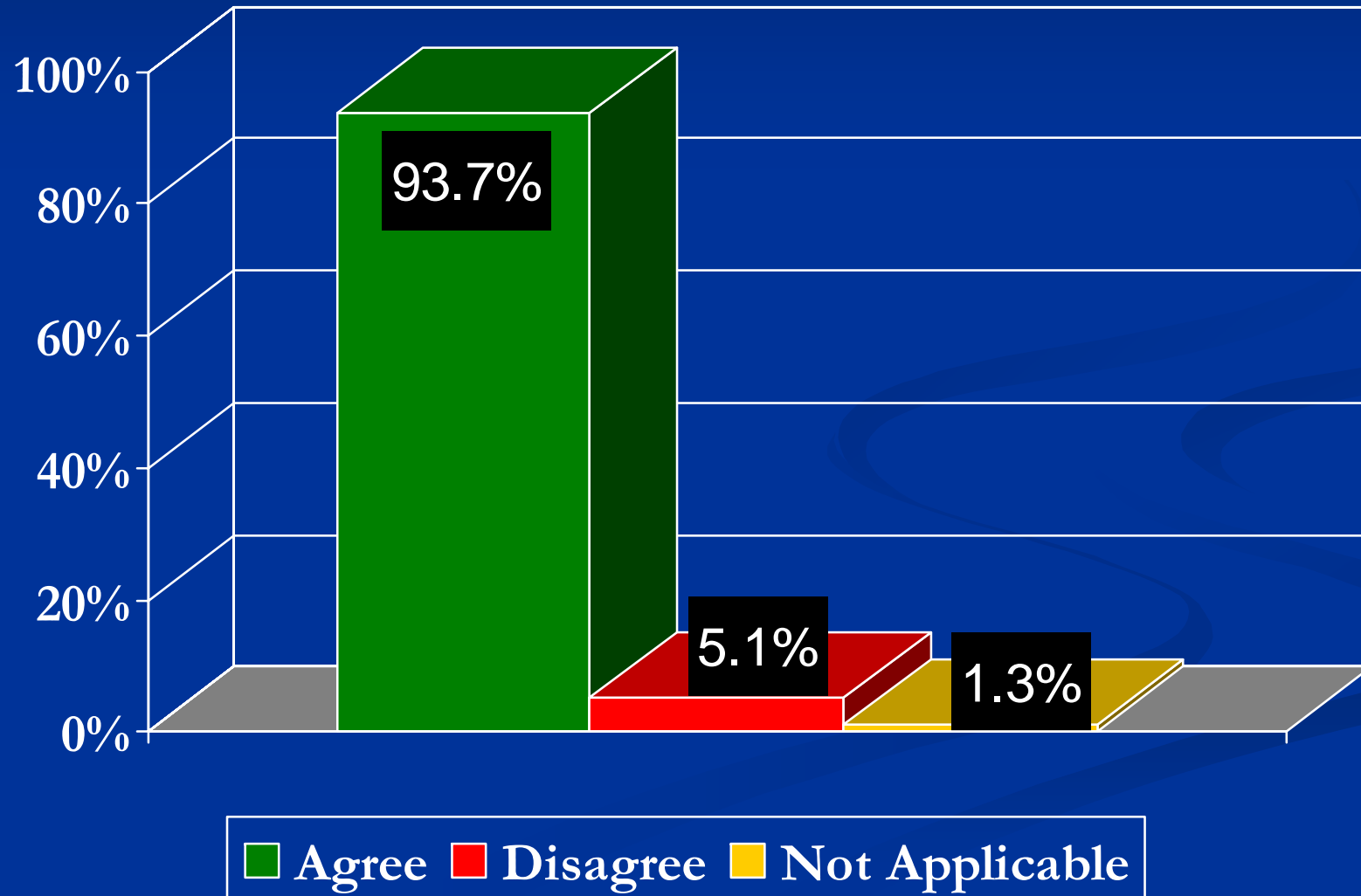
44. Clinton should allow small home businesses.



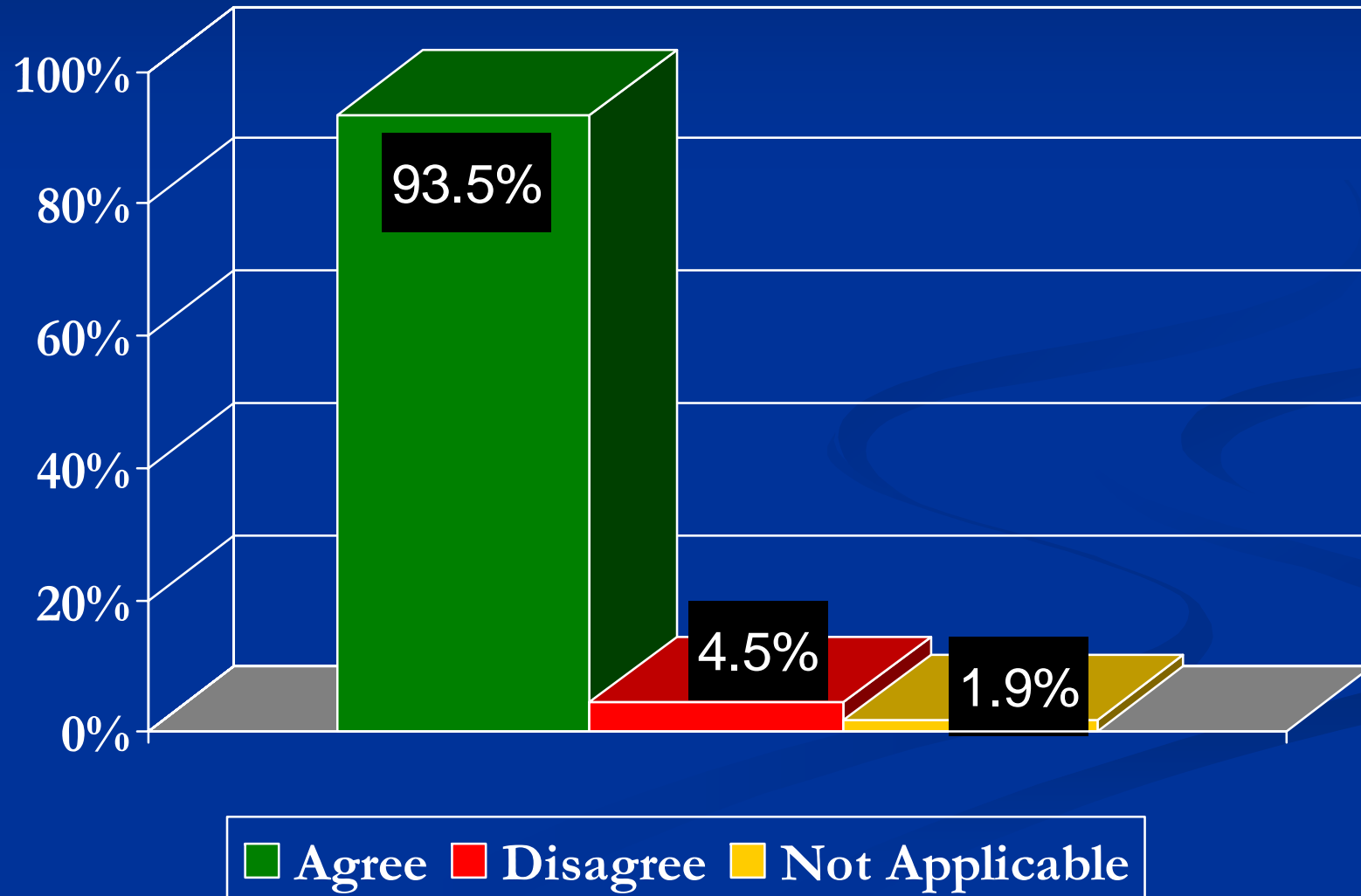
45. Clinton should require developers to provide open space in every large scale project.



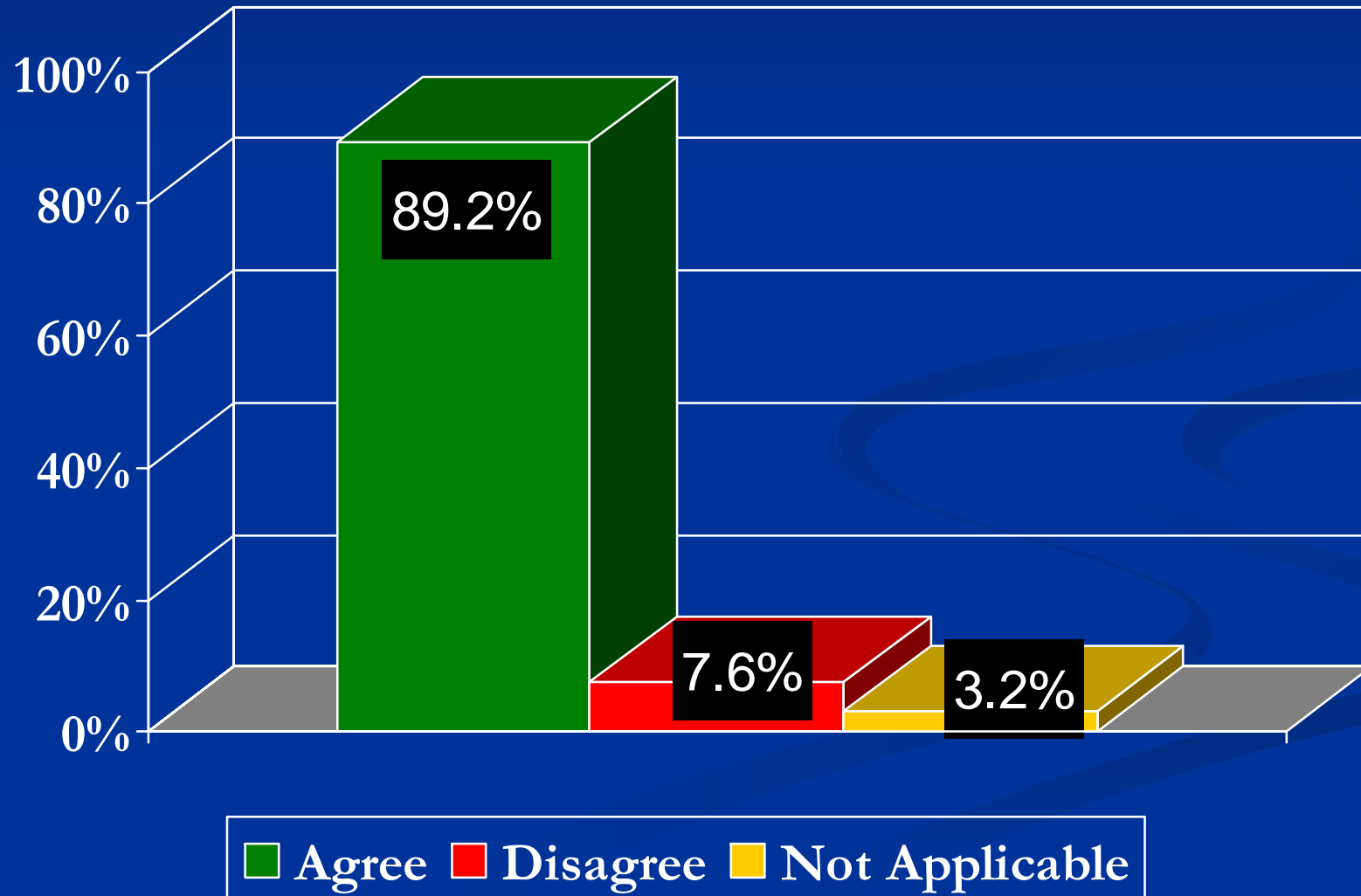
46. Clinton's land use regulations should protect prime agricultural land.



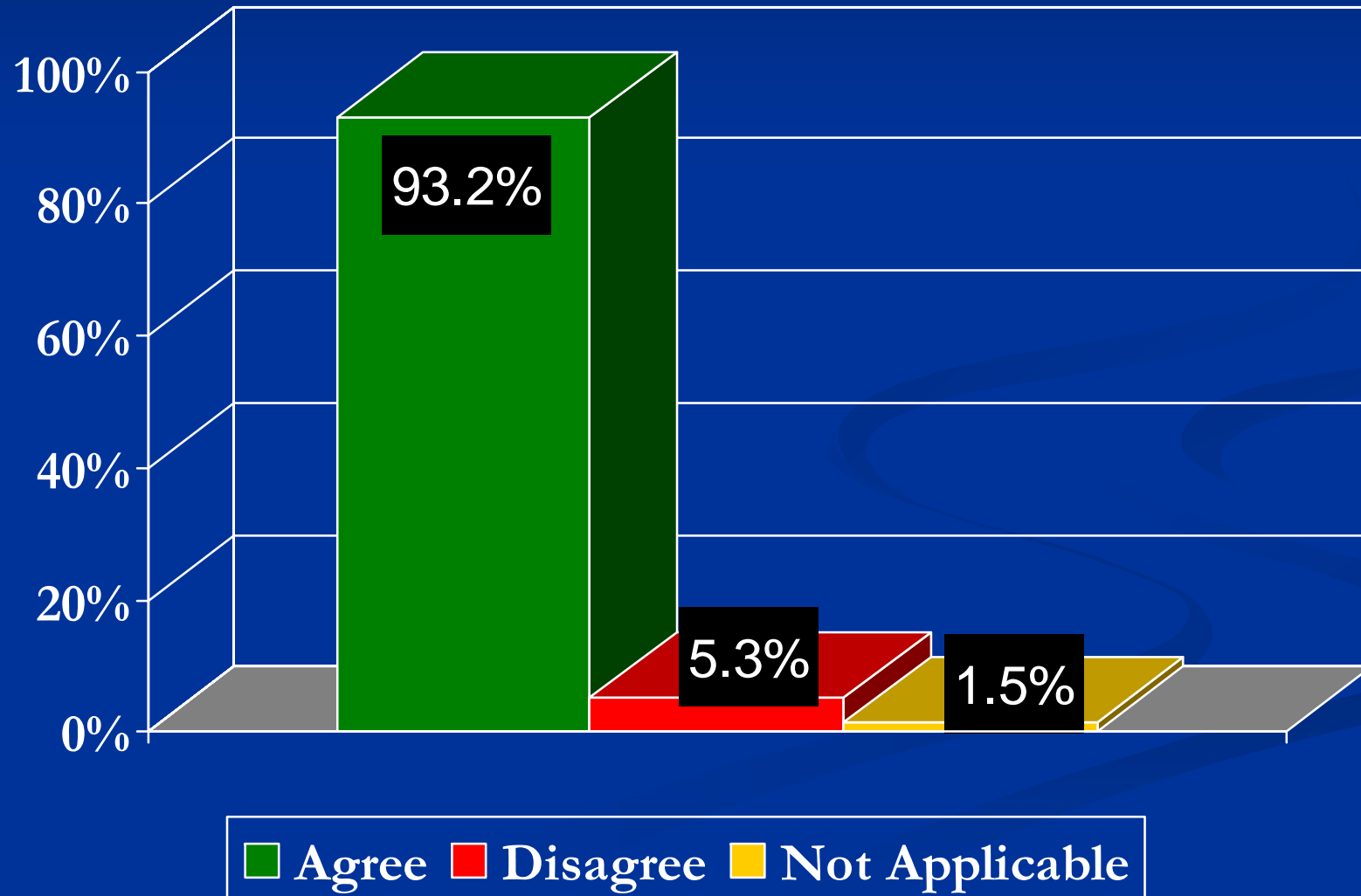
47. Clinton's land use regulations should protect steep slopes.



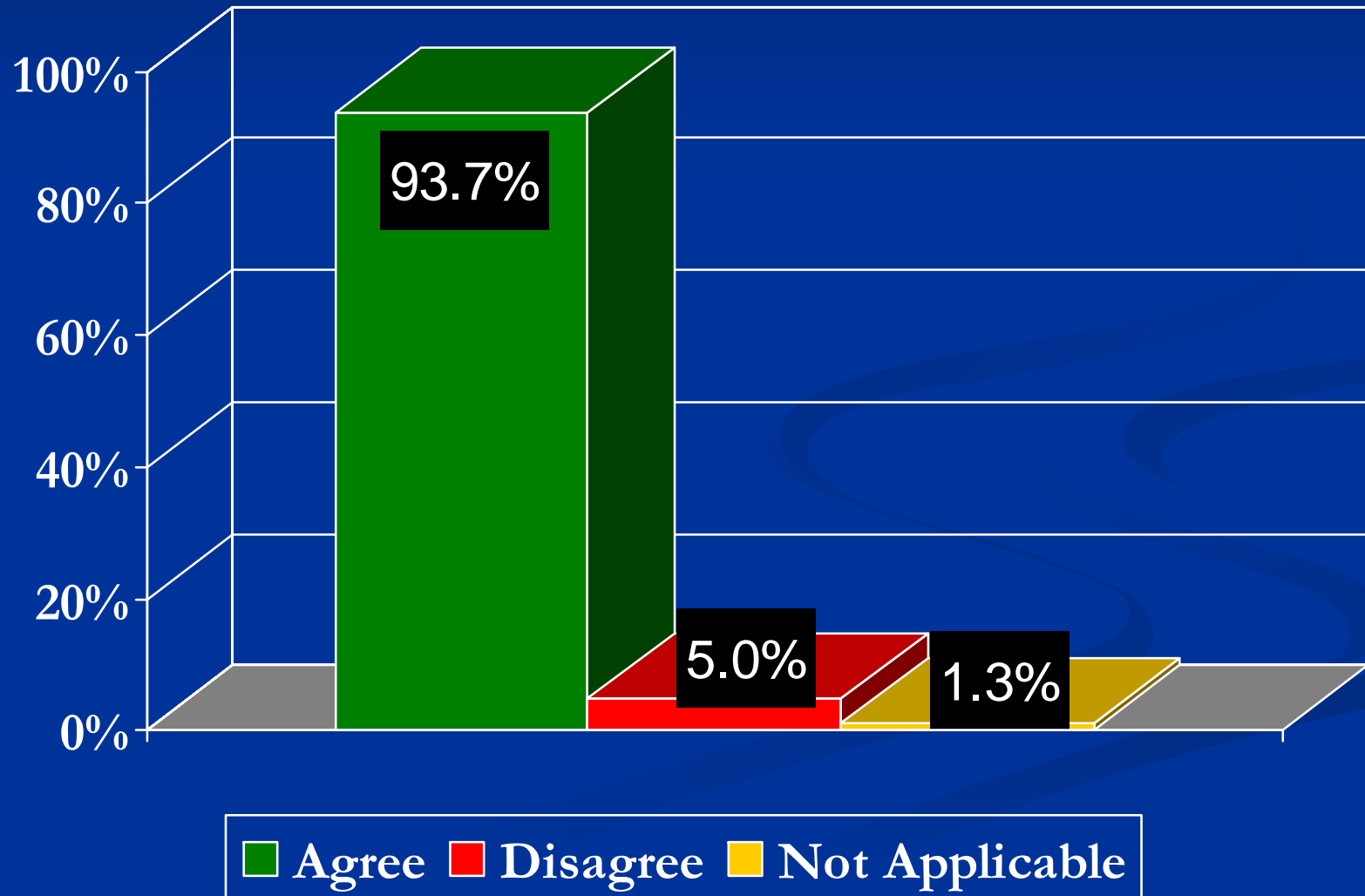
48. Clinton's land use regulations should control logging operations.



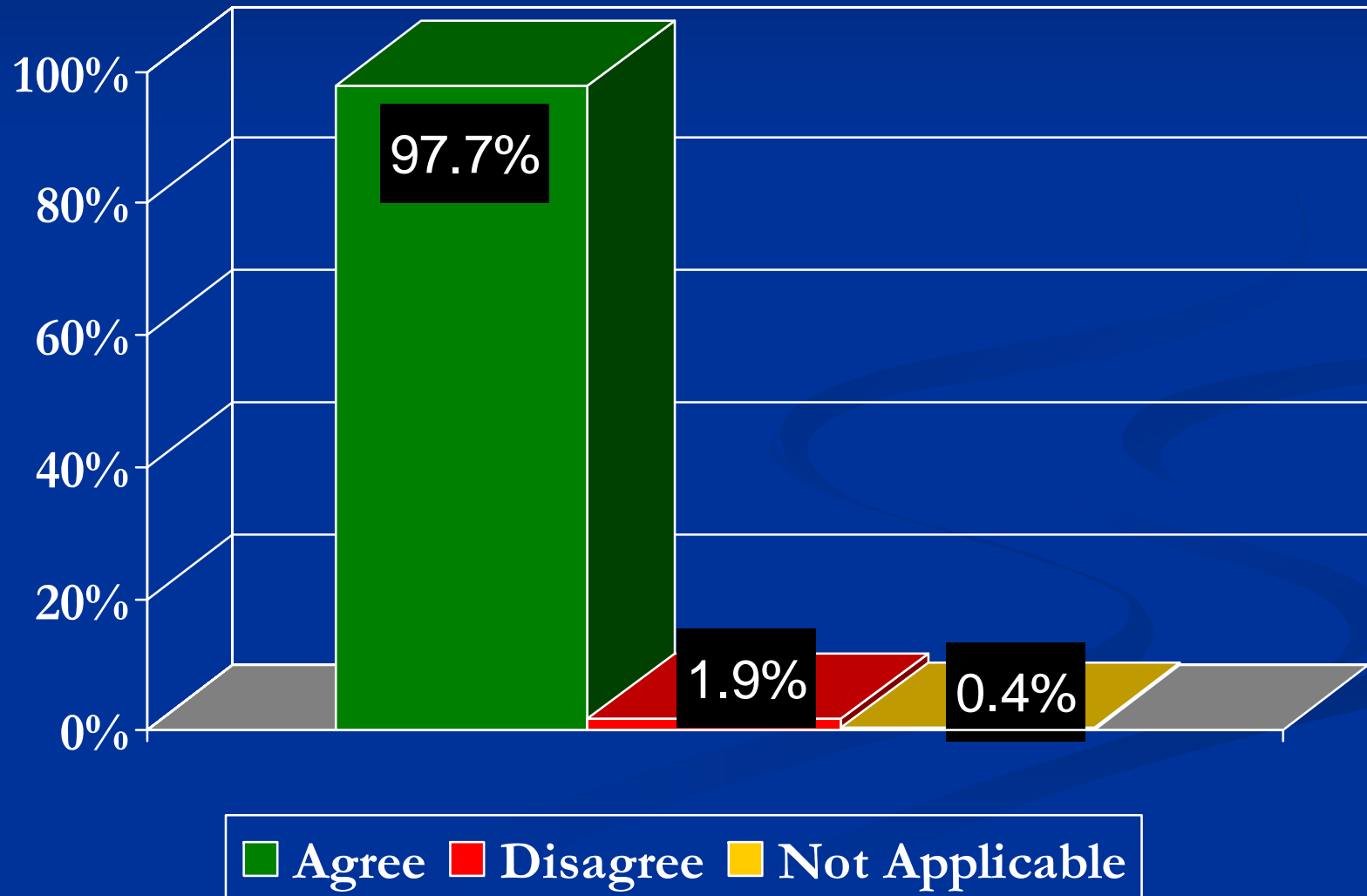
49. Clinton's land use regulations should protect wild life.



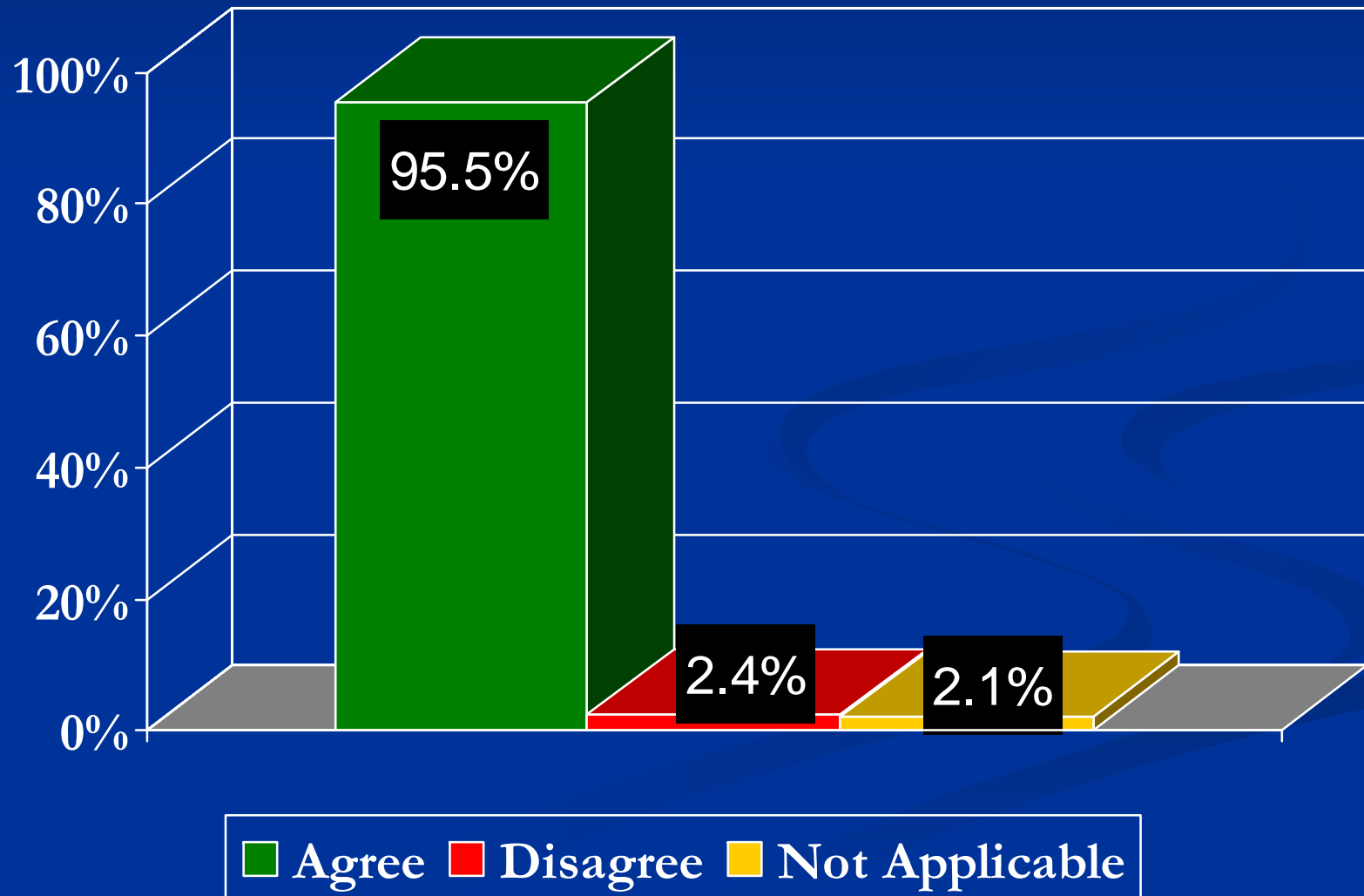
50. Clinton's land use regulations should protect wetlands.



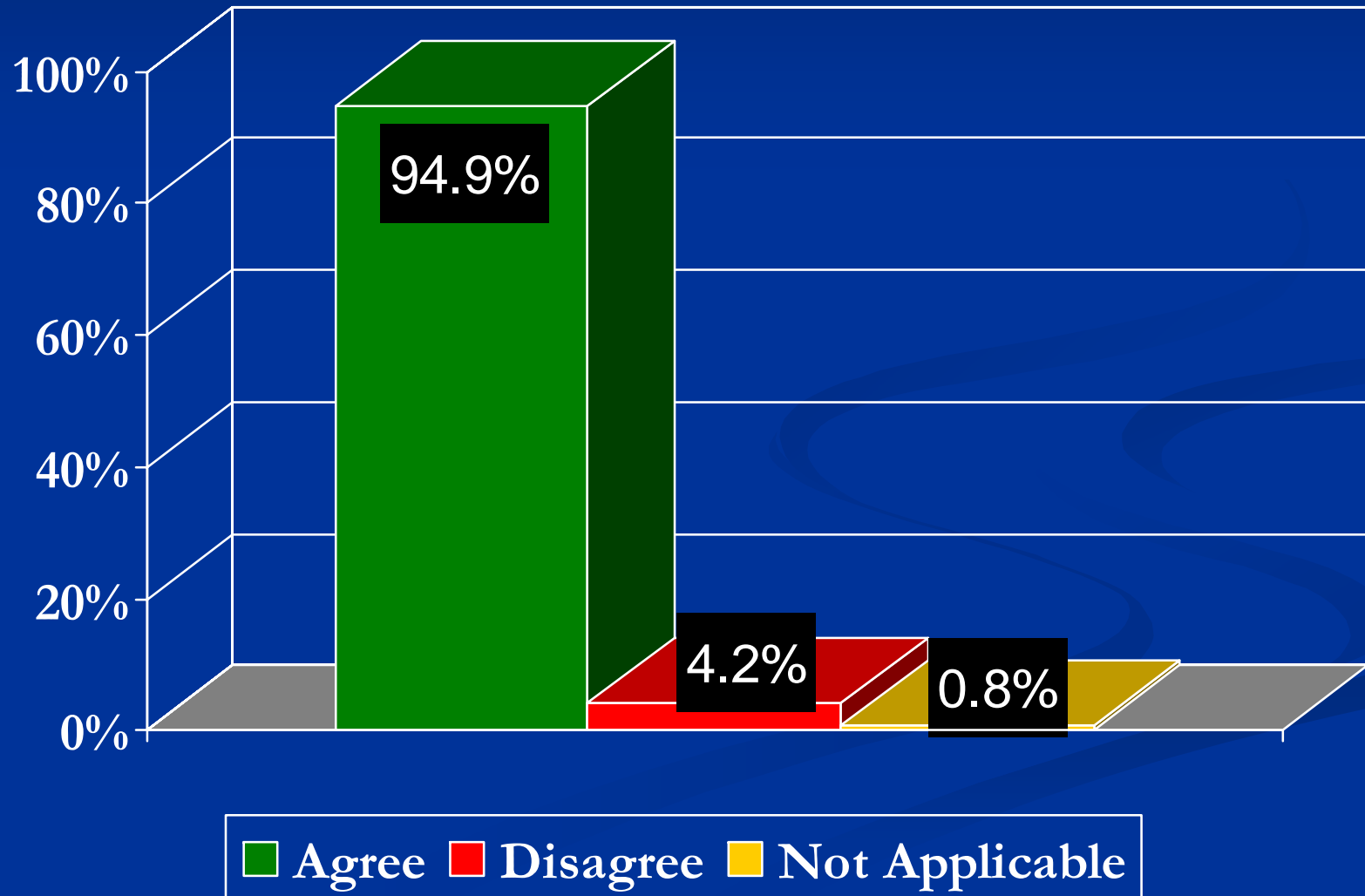
51. Clintons land use regulations should protect water resources.



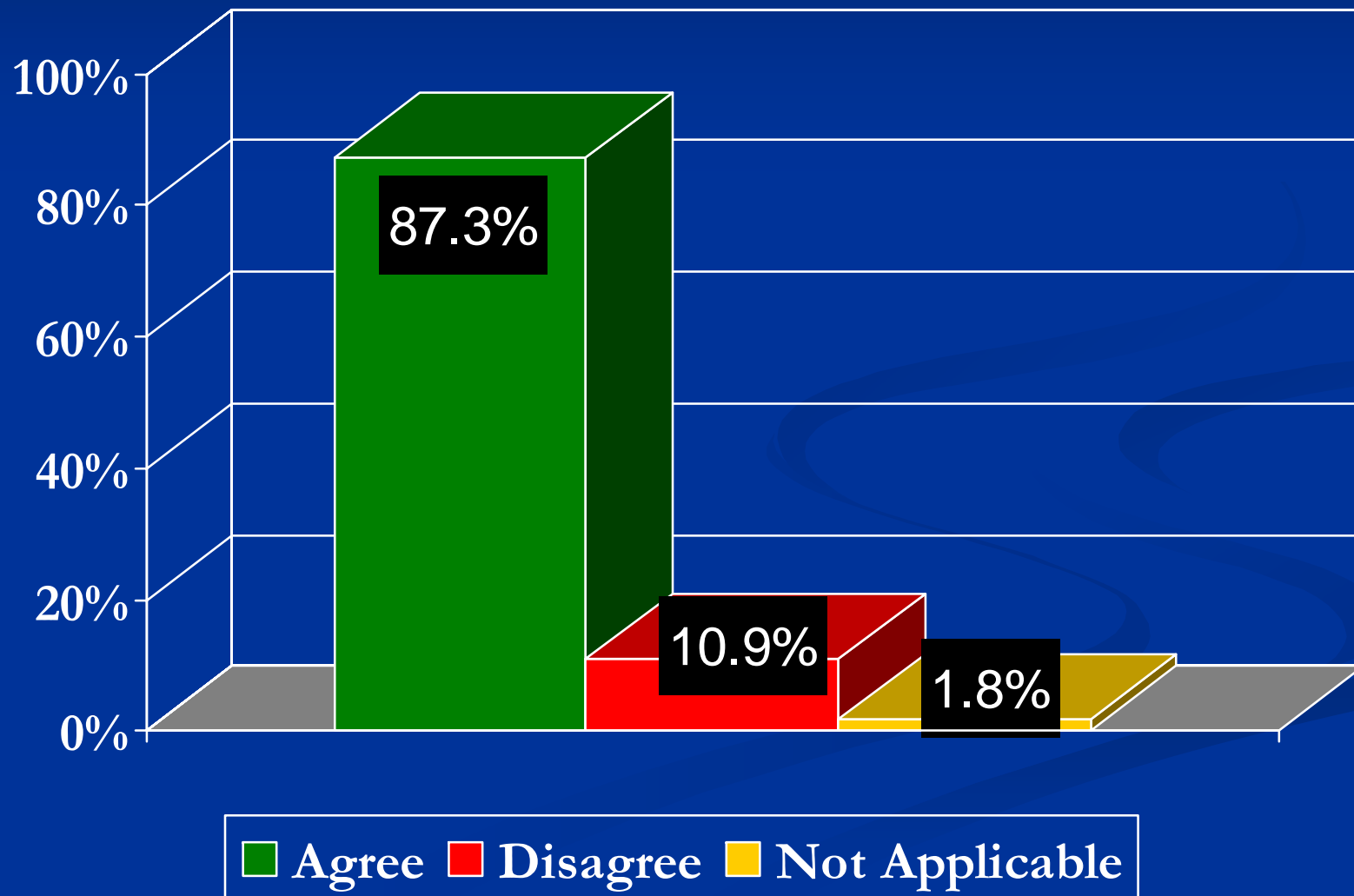
52. Hamlets in Clinton are important to the character of the town.



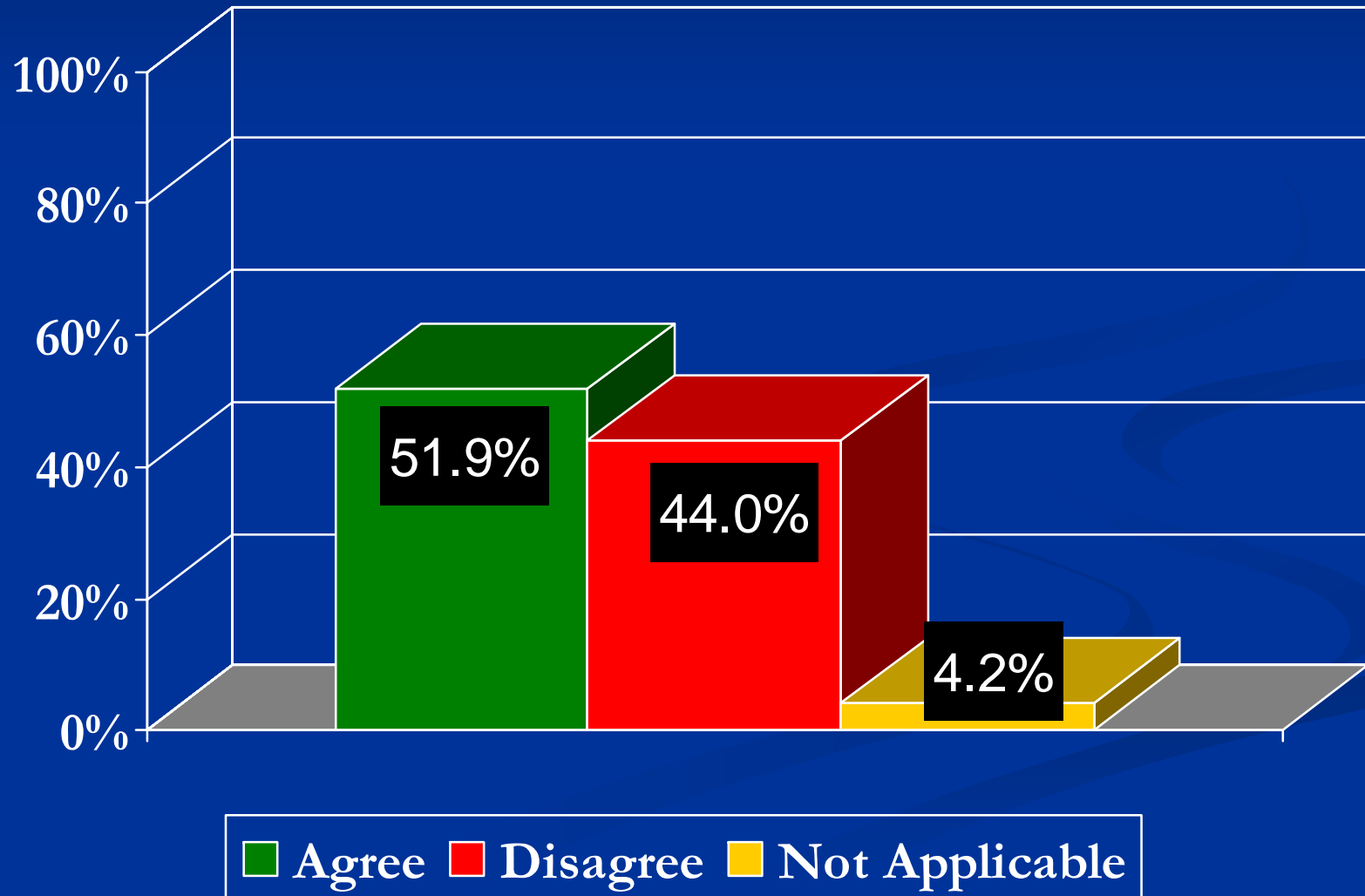
53. The historic character of the existing hamlets should be protected from incompatible development.



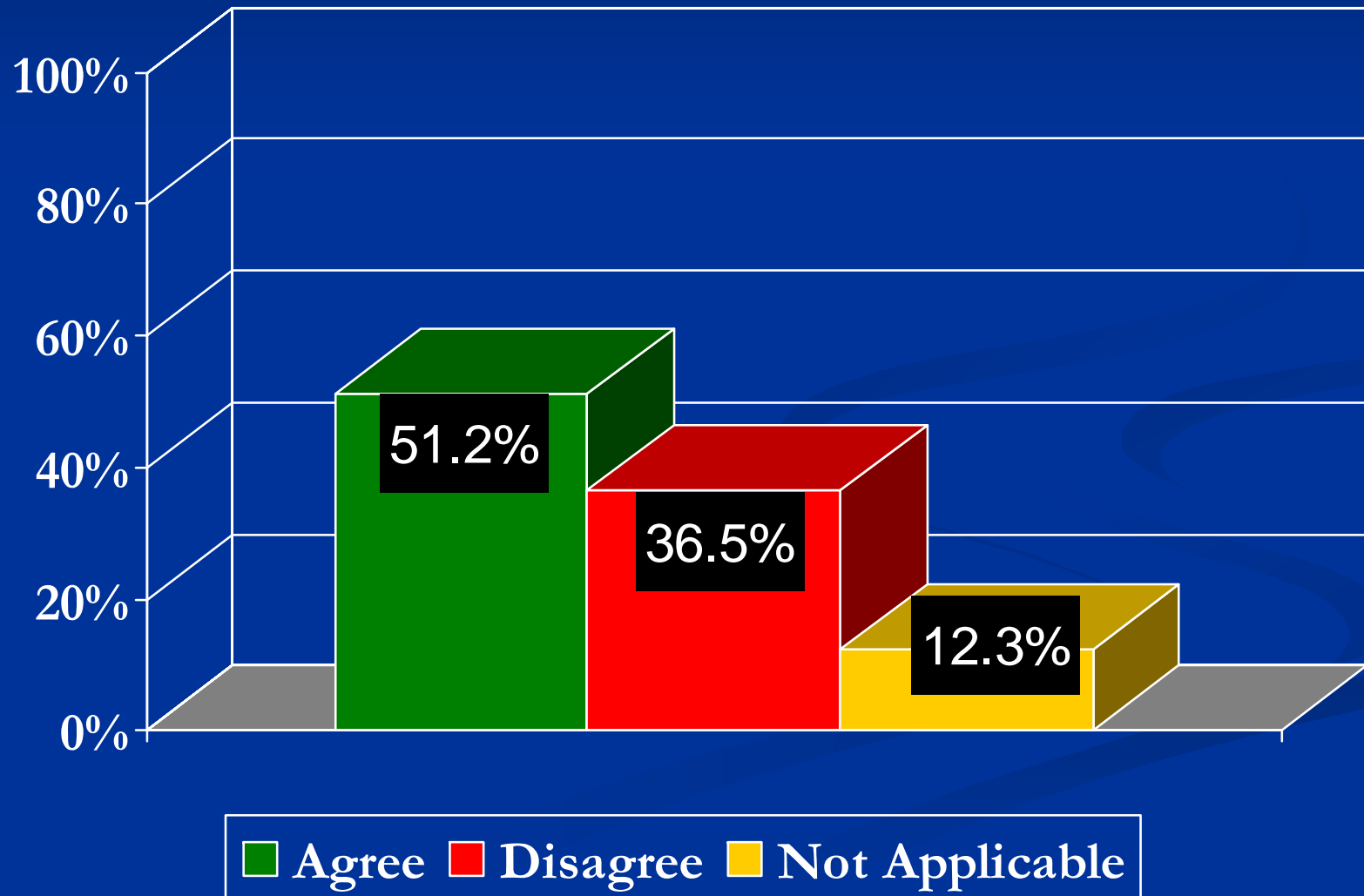
54. Clinton should create historic districts to help protect areas with historically significant structures.



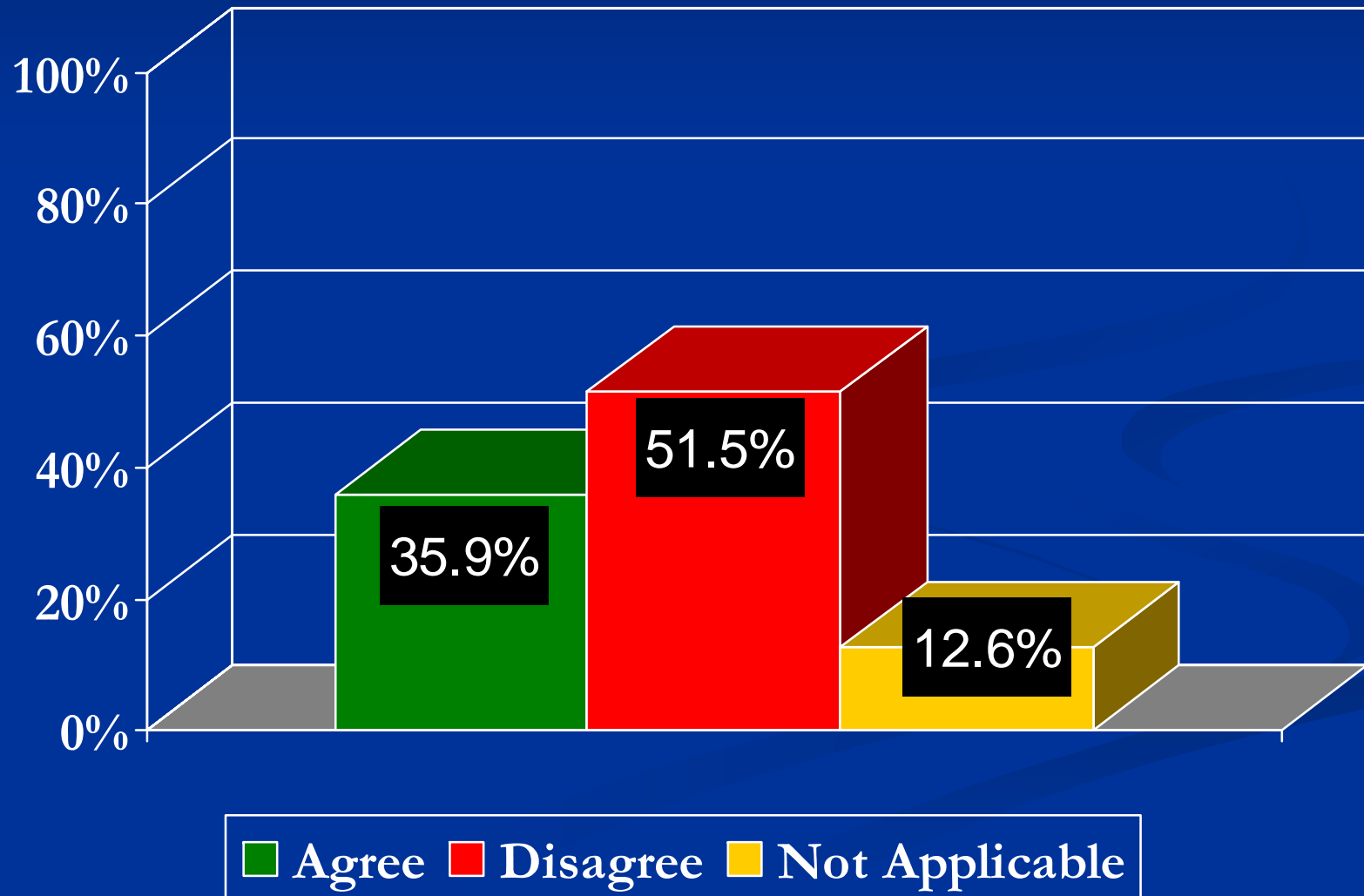
55. Clinton should institute a town wide speed limit of 40 MPH.



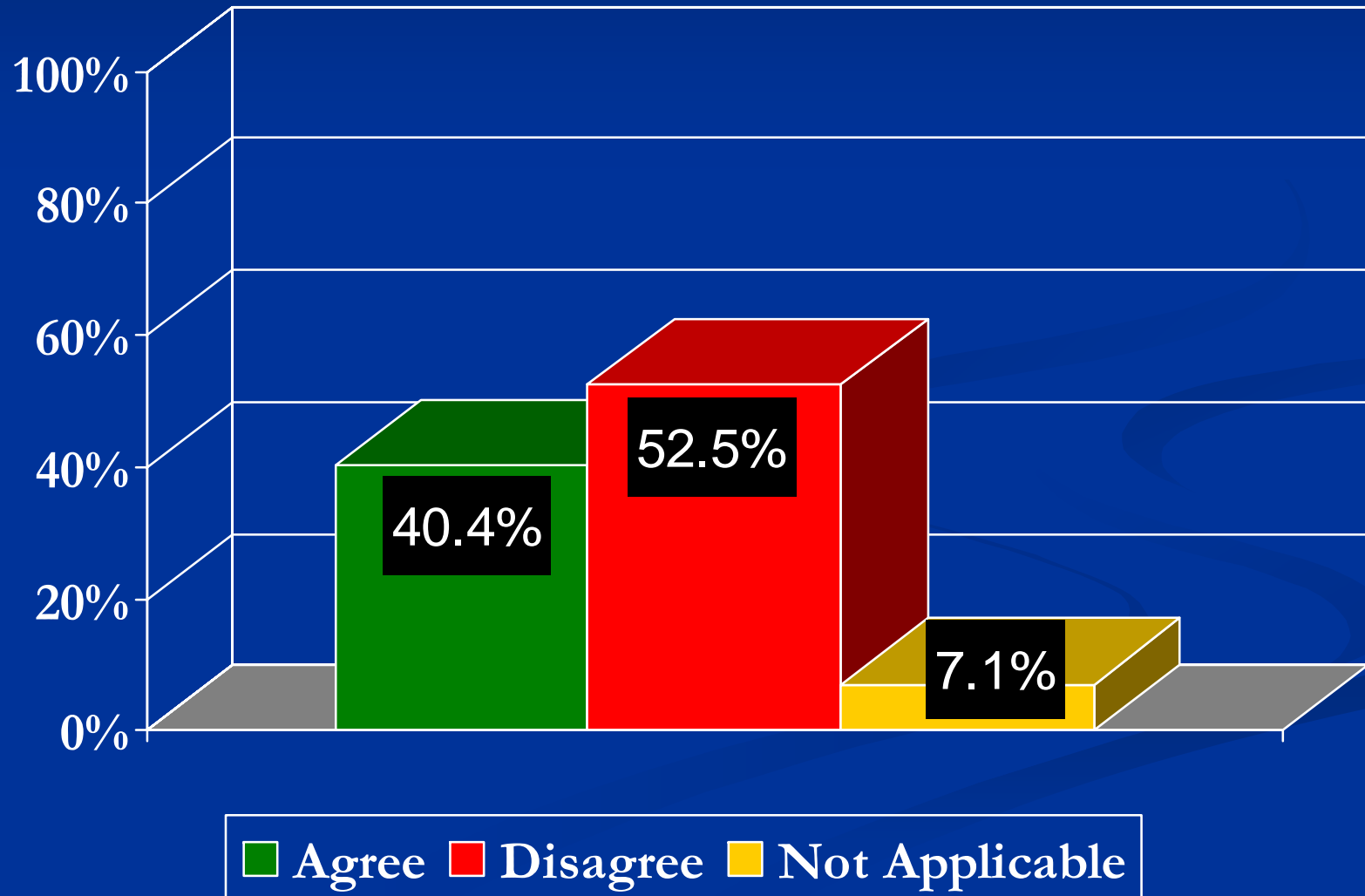
56. Clinton needs to have two separate fire districts.



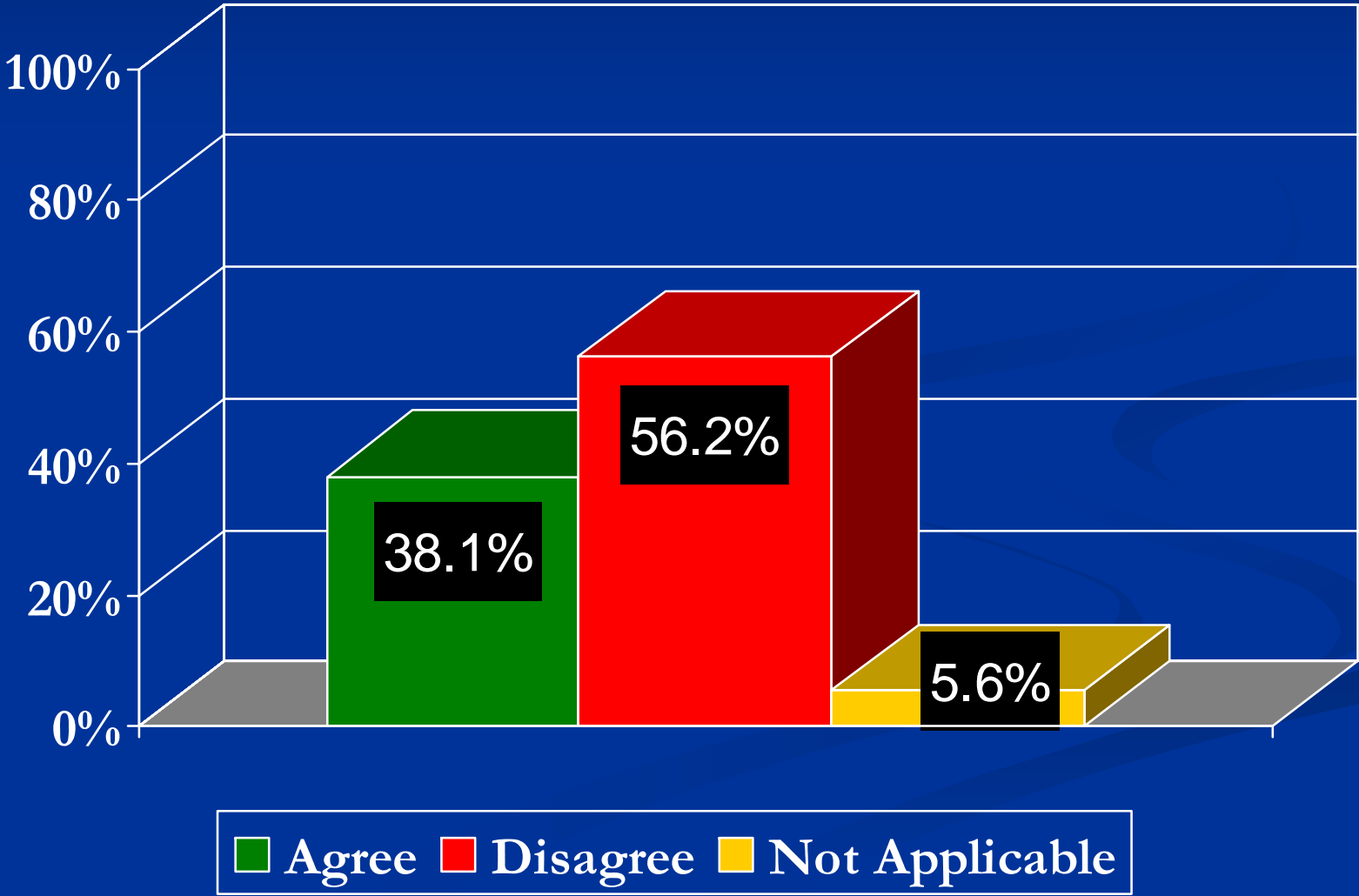
57. Clinton needs paid Emergency response personnel.



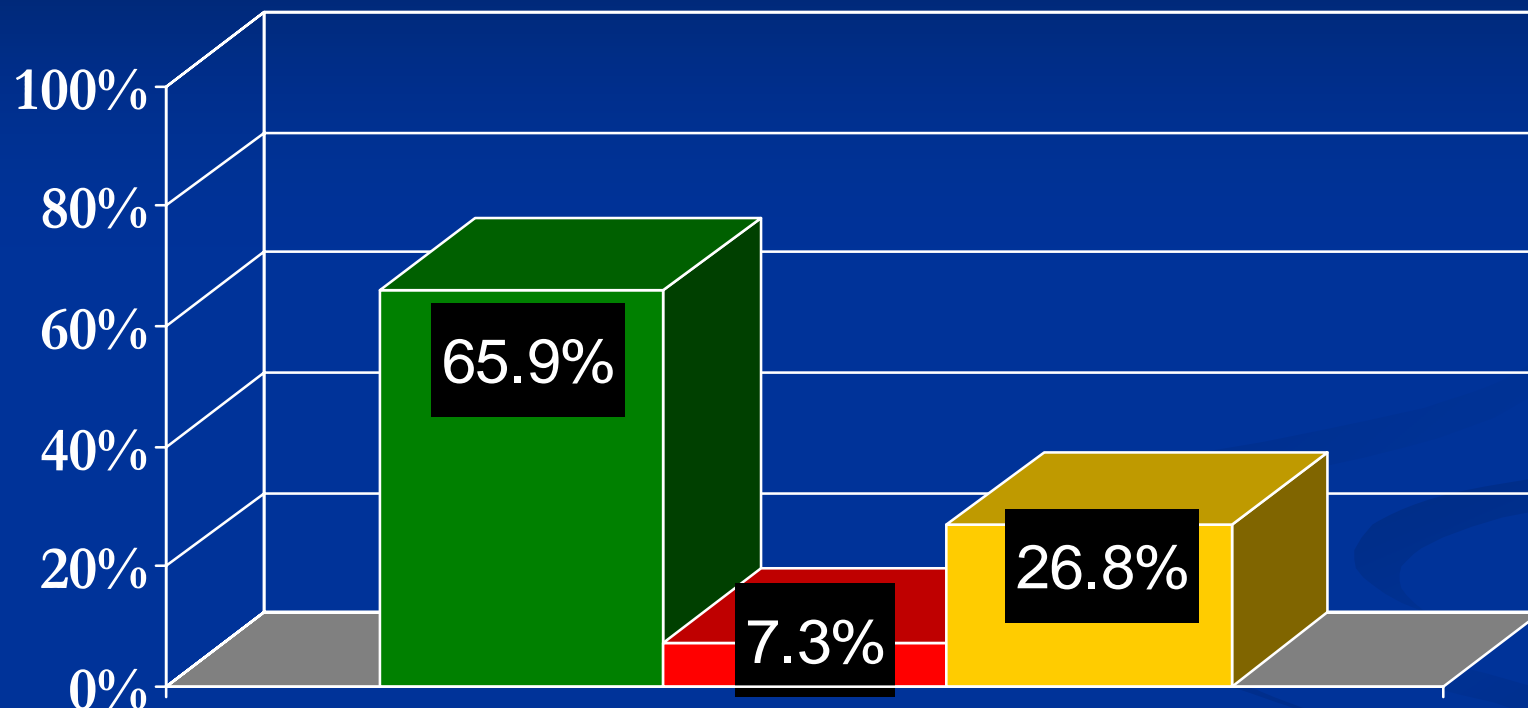
58. Concentrated residential growth is preferred to scattered residential development.



59. Clinton should have a town center which would include a central post office.

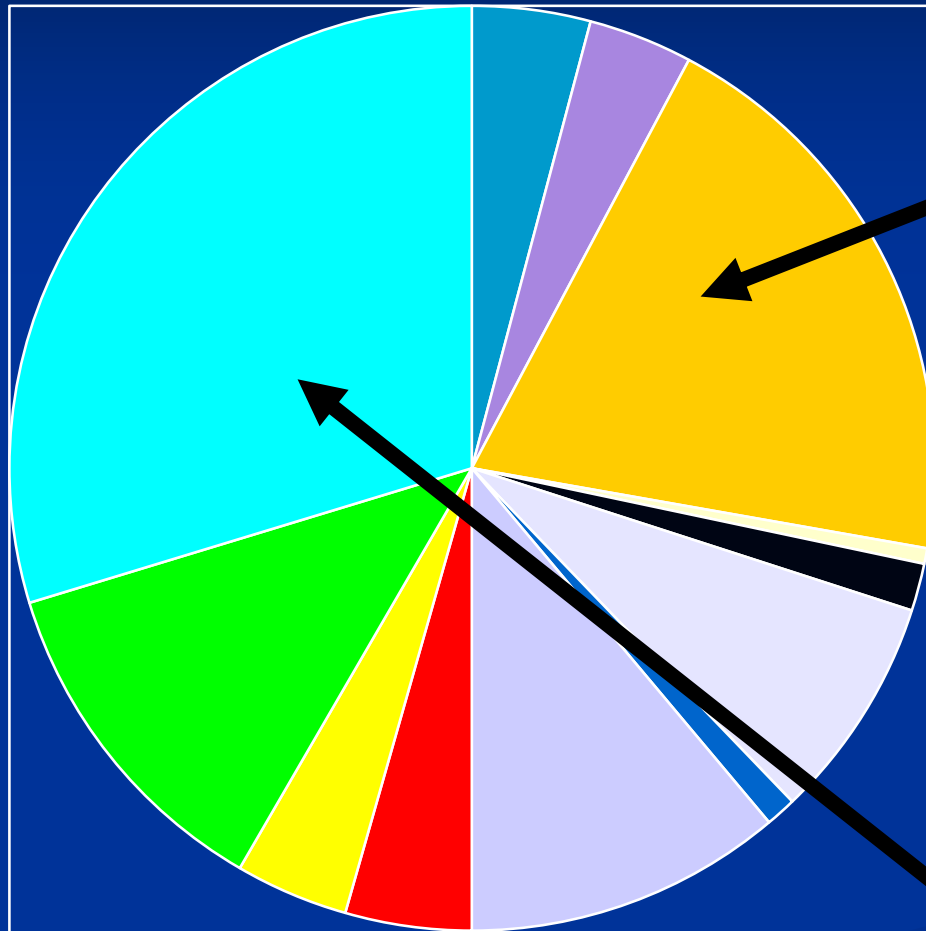


60. If you could choose to your own preferences, what sort of growth would you like to see.



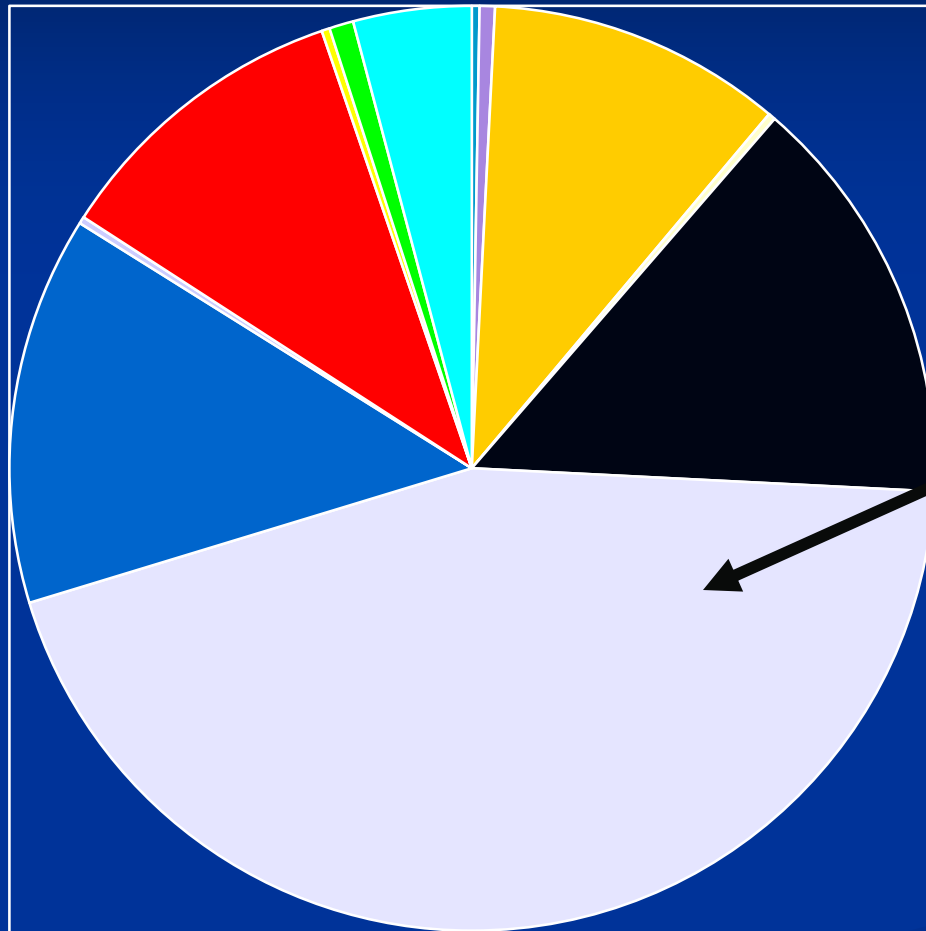
- Allow Limited Growth without much change
- Promote Growth even if we have to make some changes
- No Change - Keep everything the way it is

68-1. Where do you go to work?



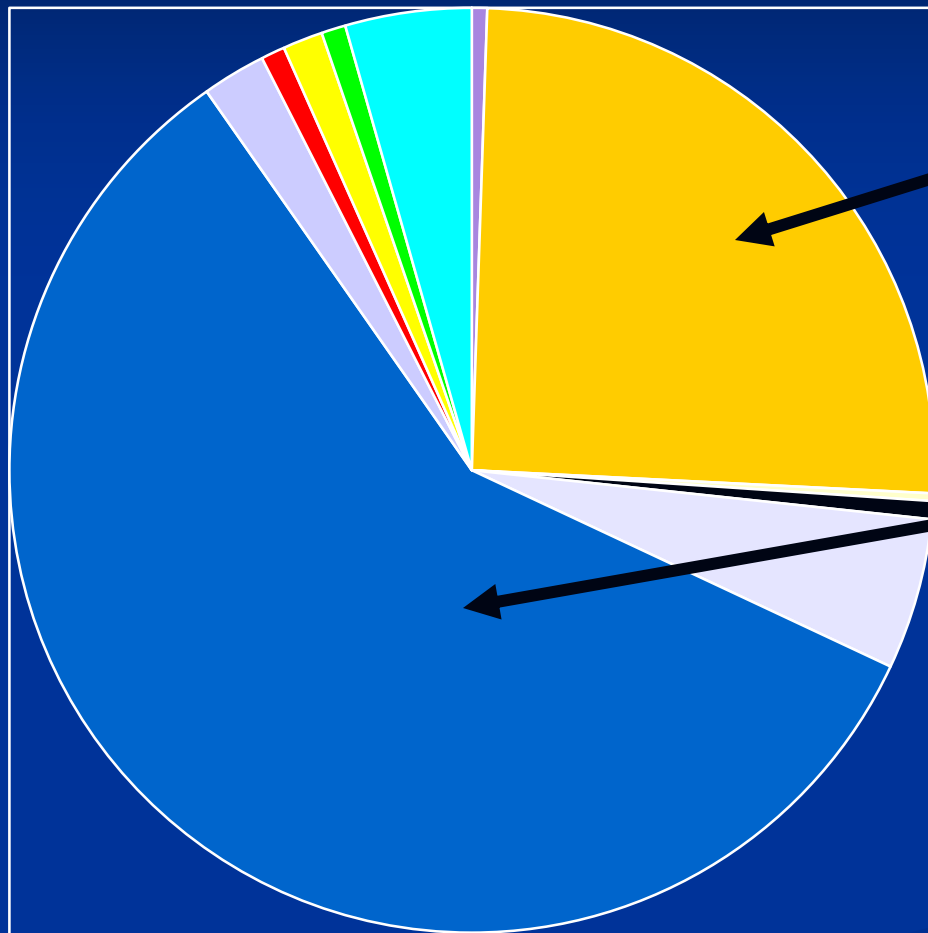
- Millbrook 4.3%
- East Fishkill 3.5%
- Poughkeepsie 20%
- Connecticut .6%
- Pleasant Valley 1.7%
- Rhine/Red Hook 7.6%
- Kingston 1.2%
- New York City 11%
- Hyde Park 4.5%
- Westchester Co 3.9%
- Other 11.8%
- No Answer 29.8%

68-2. Where do you go most frequently for groceries?



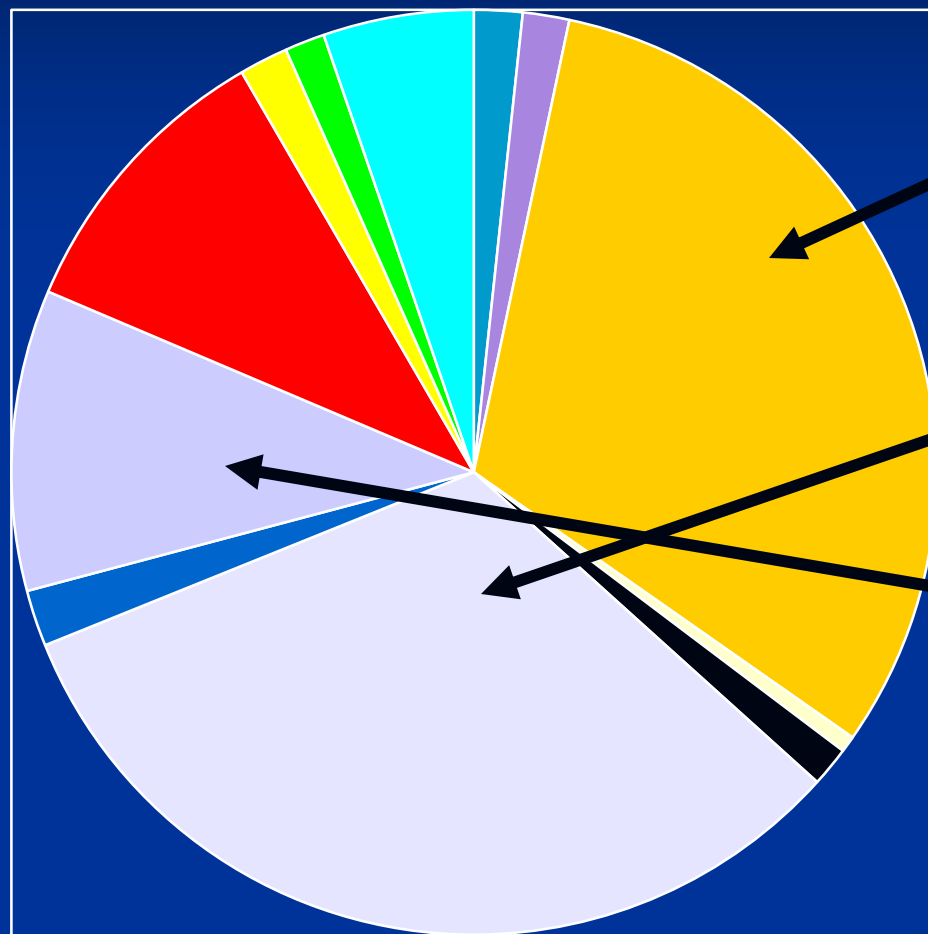
- Millbrook .4%
- East Fishkill .4%
- Poughkeepsie 10.3%
- Connecticut .2%
- Pleasant Valley 14.6%
- Rhine/Red Hook 44.4%
- Kingston 13.4%
- New York City 11%
- Hyde Park 10.5%
- Westchester Co .4%
- Other 11.8%
- No Answer 4.3%

68-3. Where do you go most frequently for major shopping needs?



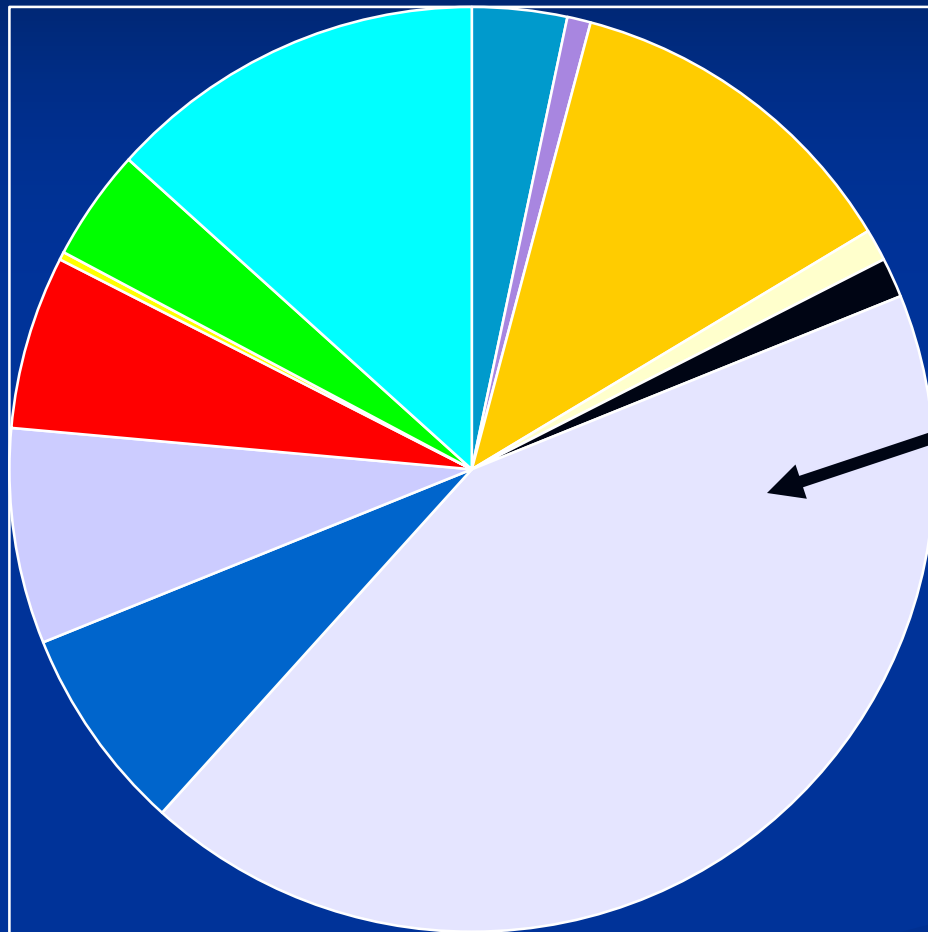
- Millbrook 0%
- East Fishkill .6%
- Poughkeepsie 25.3%
- Connecticut .2%
- Pleasant Valley .6%
- Rhine/Red Hook 5.1%
- Kingston 58.2%
- New York City 2.3%
- Hyde Park .8%
- Westchester Co 1.4%
- Other .8%
- No Answer 4.5%

68-4. Where do you go most frequently for medical services?



- Millbrook 1.6%
- East Fishkill 1.6%
- Poughkeepsie 31.3%
- Connecticut .6%
- Pleasant Valley 1.4%
- Rhine/Red Hook 32.1%
- Kingston 1.9%
- New York City 10.5%
- Hyde Park 10.3%
- Westchester Co 1.6%
- Other 1.4%
- No Answer 5.3%

68-5. Where do you go most frequently for Entertainment & Recreation?



- Millbrook 3.3%
- East Fishkill .8%
- Poughkeepsie 12.3%
- Connecticut 1%
- Pleasant Valley 1.6%
- Rhine/Red Hook 42.6%
- Kingston 7.2%
- New York City 7.6%
- Hyde Park 6%
- Westchester Co .2%
- Other 4.1%
- No Answer 13.2%

Summary of Pie charts:

- Work: Poughkeepsie 20%, No Answer (retired?) 29.8%
 - Groceries: Rhinebeck/Red Hook 44.4%,
40% between NYC, Hyde Park, Poughkeepsie and Other
 - Shopping: Kingston 58.2%, Poughkeepsie 25.3 %
 - Medical: Poughkeepsie 31.3%,
Rhinebeck/Red Hook 32.1%
 - Entertainment: Rhinebeck/Red Hook 42.6%
Poughkeepsie & No Answer shared 26.5%