



HEALTHCARE
PURCHASER
ALLIANCE
OF MAINE

RESULTS FROM THE 2026 EMPLOYER HEALTHCARE AFFORDABILITY SURVEY

WHO WE ARE



The Alliance is a nonprofit, employer-led partnership of multiple stakeholders working collaboratively to improve health and to maximize the value of healthcare services for Maine businesses and families. We focus on evidence-based approaches to solving the problems that vex our healthcare system.

60+

Members

150k+

Commercially Insured Lives

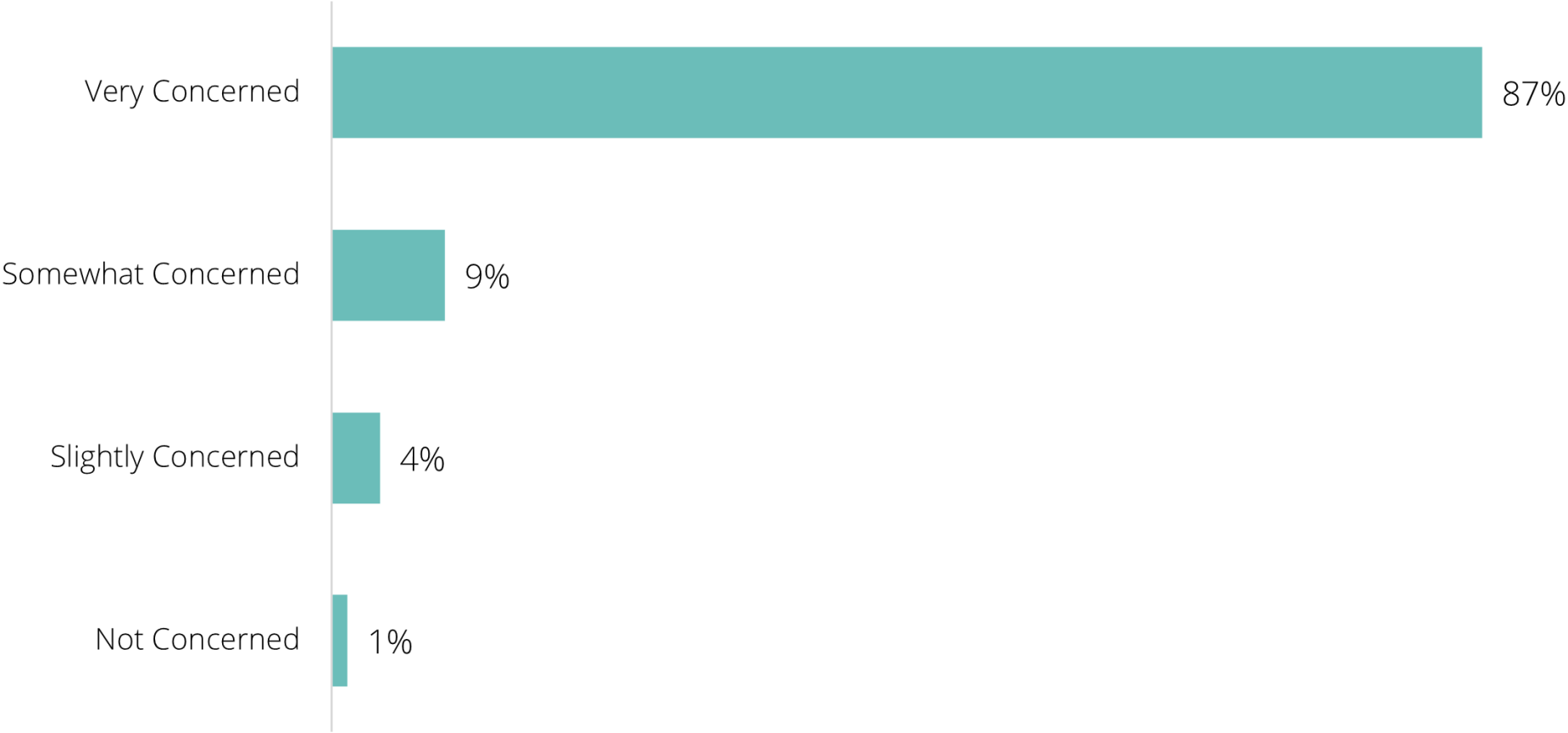
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Annual Spend

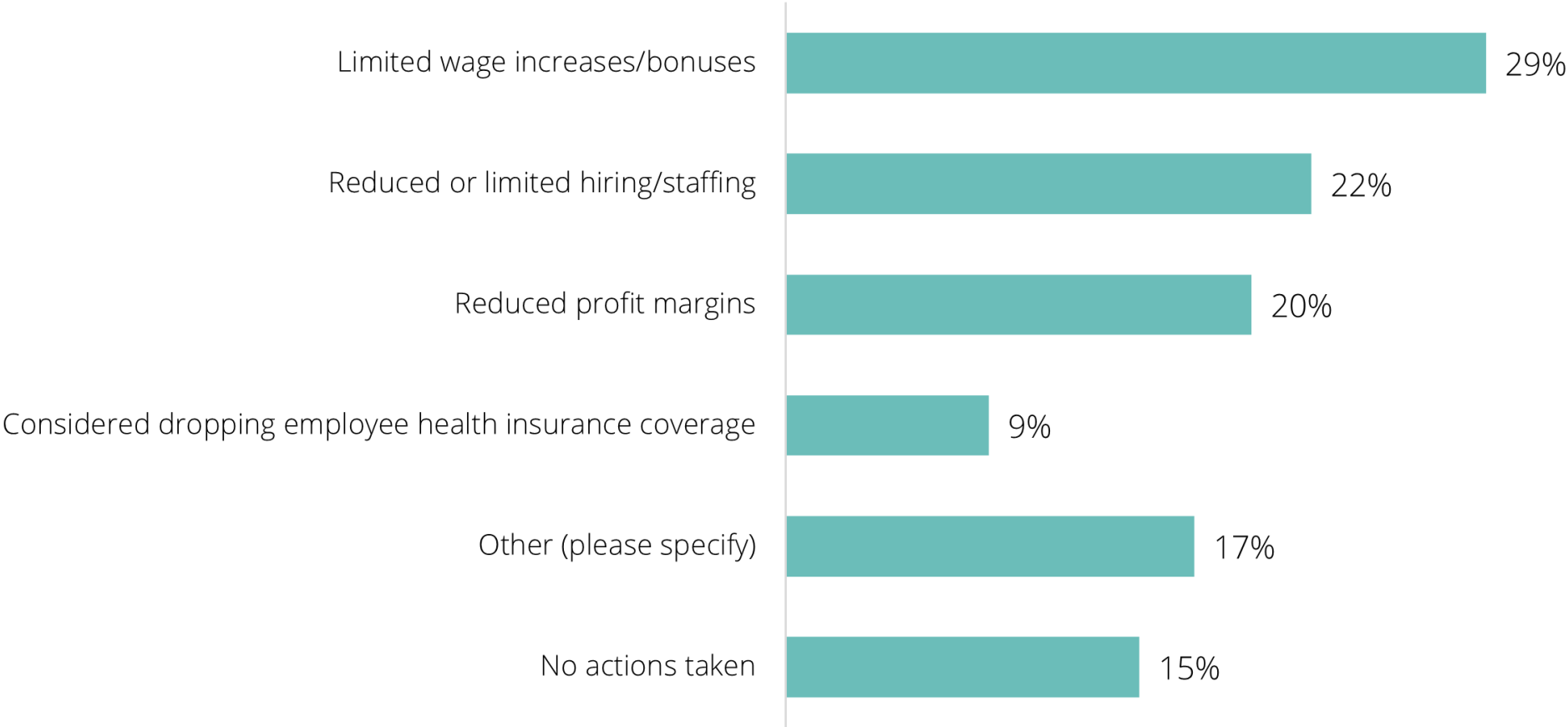
THE ALLIANCE IS NOT...

- An insurance company
- A provider
- A broker/consultant
- A partisan organization

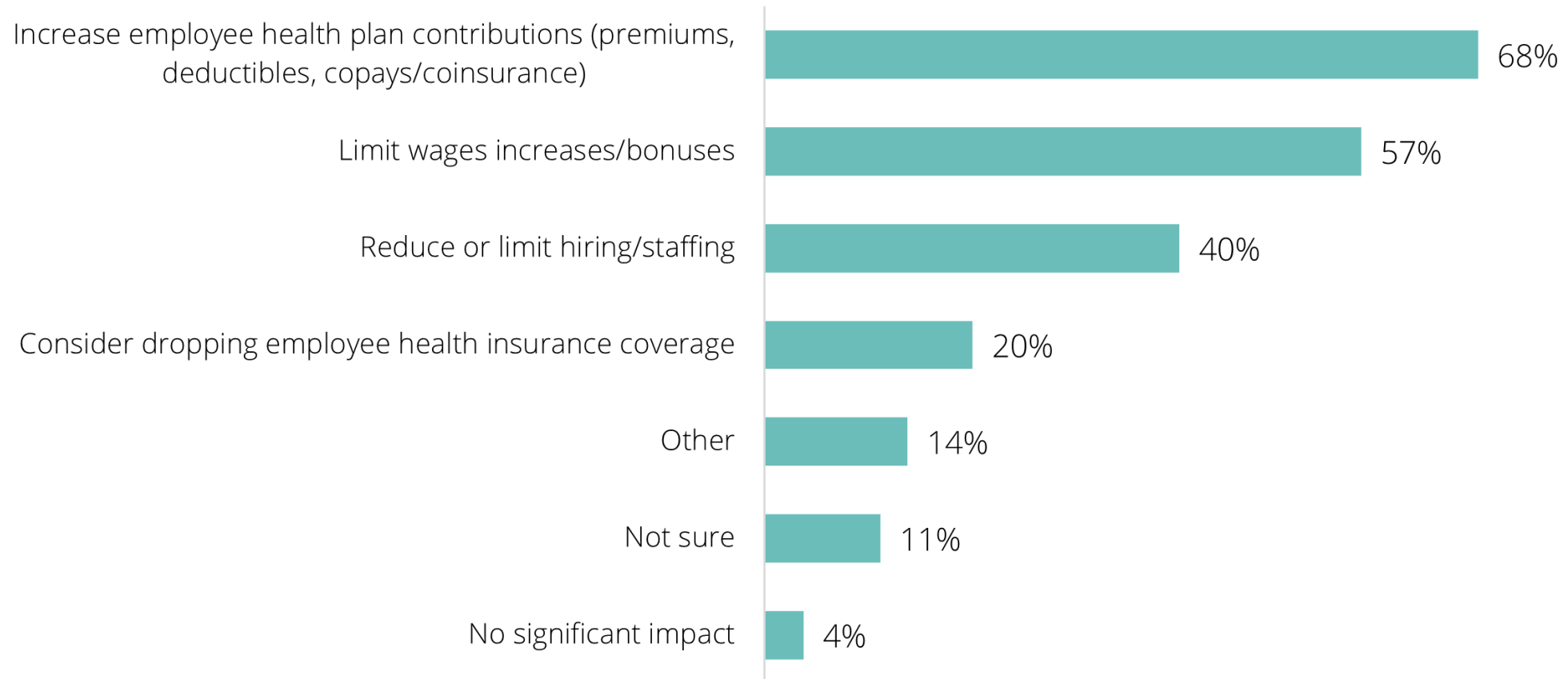
How concerned are you about the rising costs of providing health insurance for your employees?



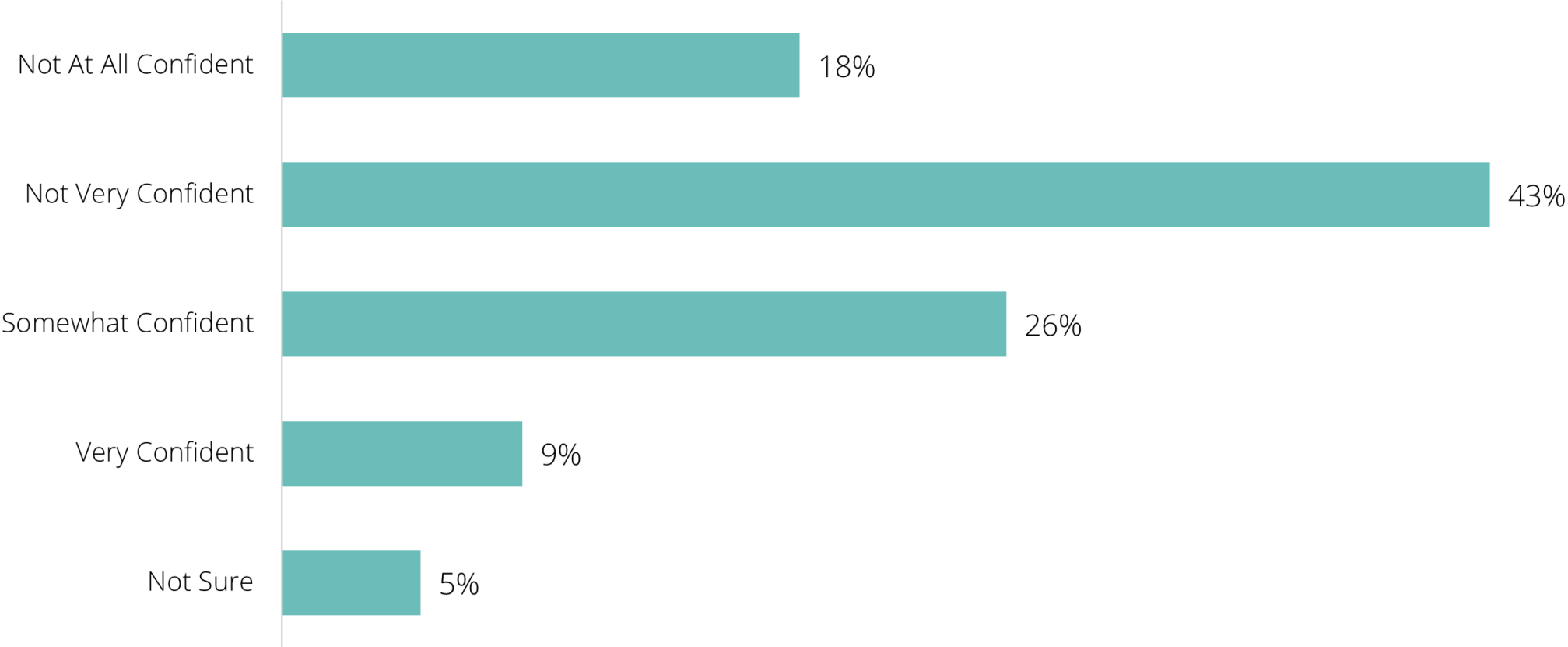
Thinking about the last three years, what actions have you taken to address the cost of healthcare to your business?



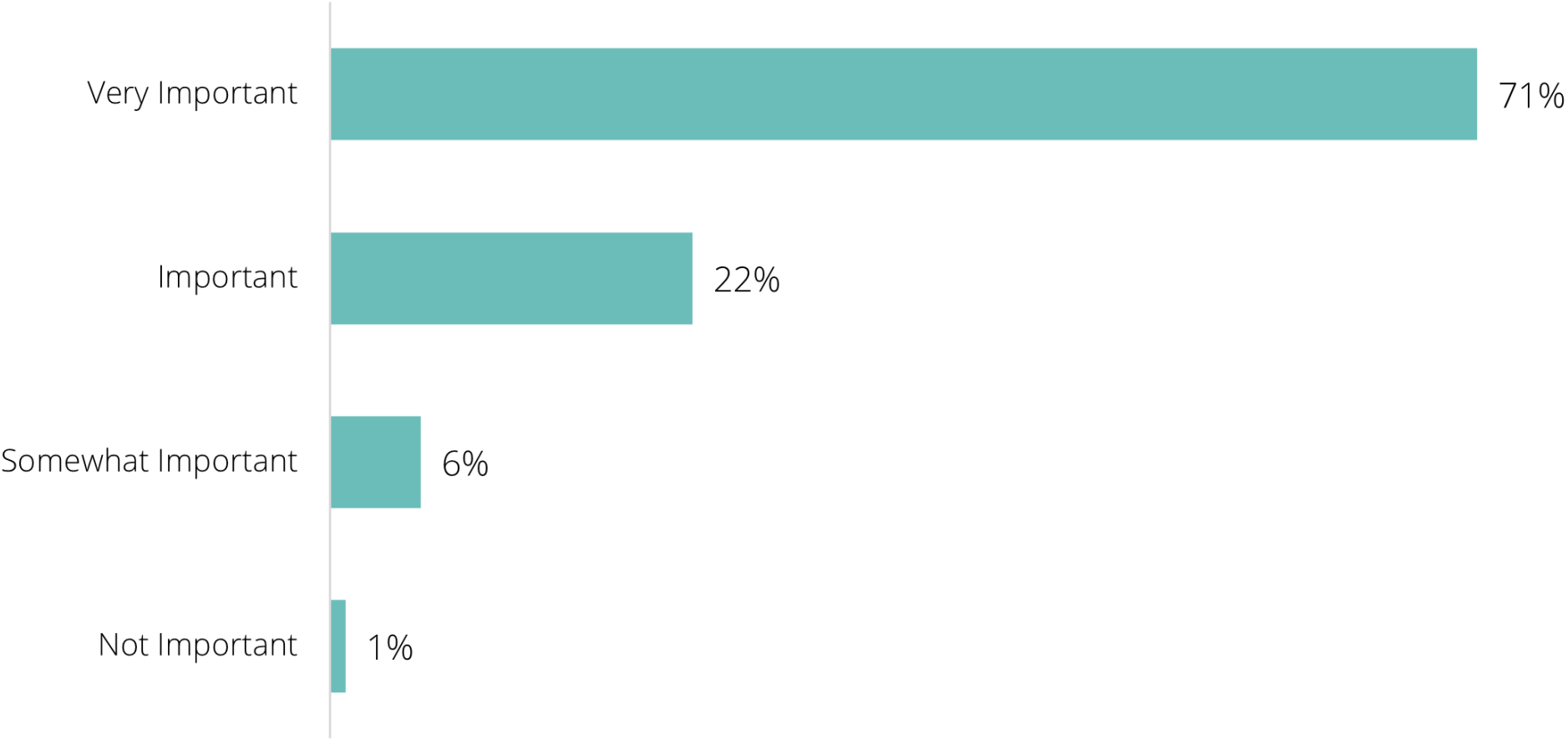
If premiums continue to rise at current rates, how do you think those cost increases would impact your business decisions over the next three years?



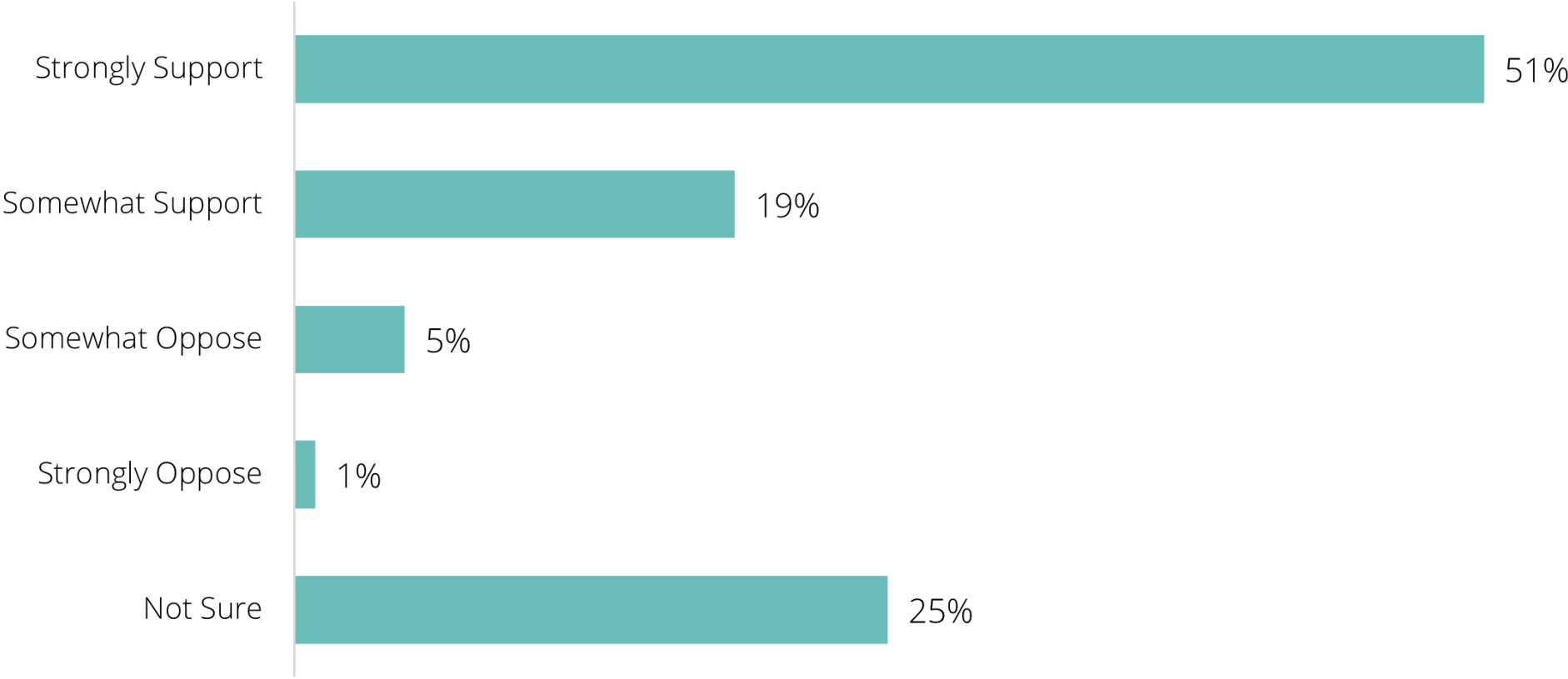
Over the next 5 years, how confident are you that your business will be able to afford to maintain its current level of health benefits (employee premium contributions, deductibles, copays, and coinsurance)?



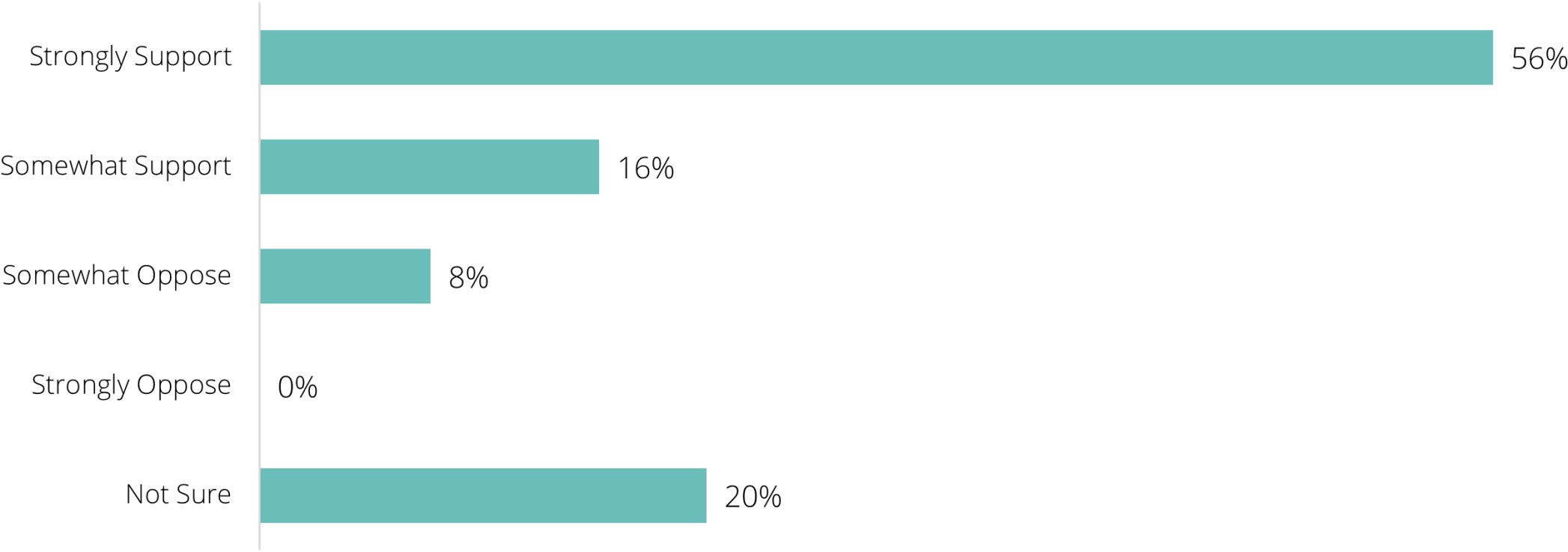
How important is it to you that the Maine Legislature does something to address hospital prices?



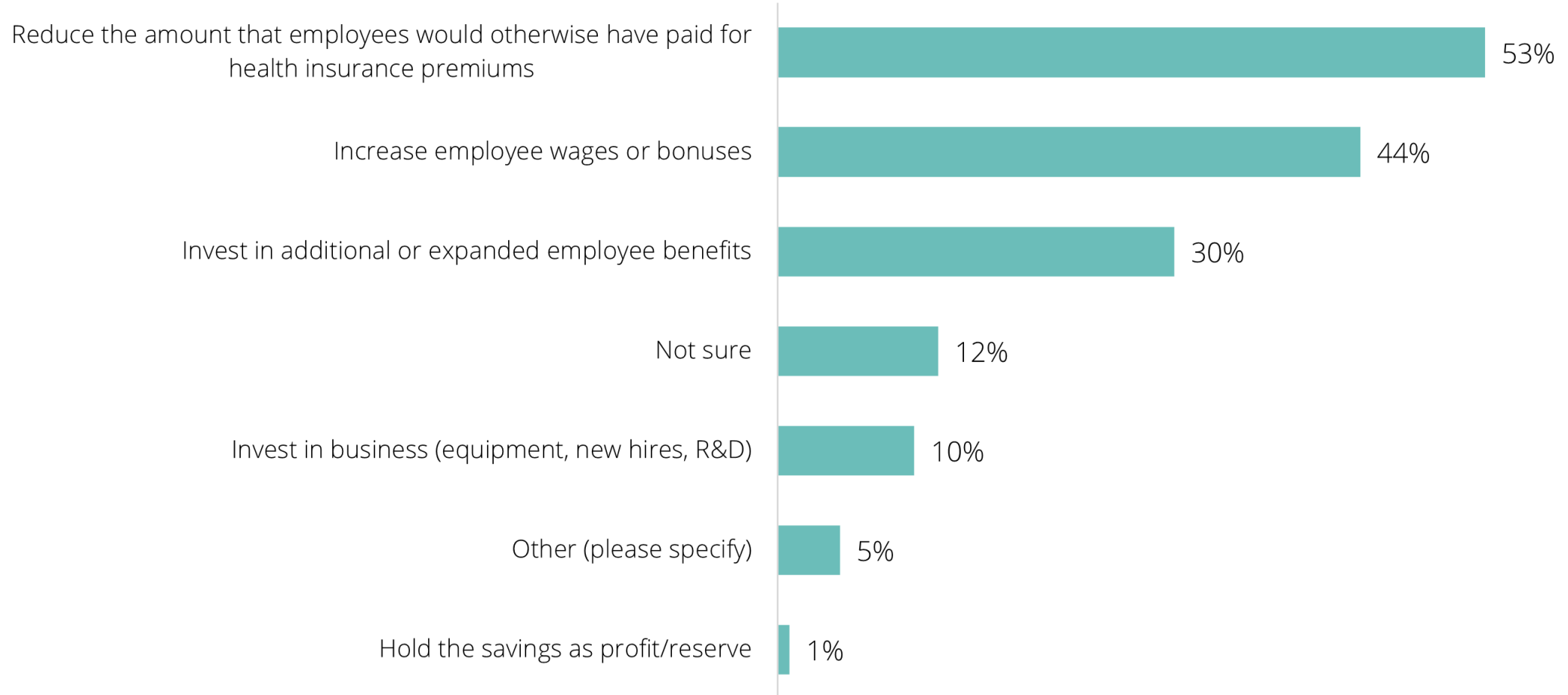
Some state legislatures have enacted policies that cap hospital prices at a percentage of the Medicare reimbursement rate (e.g., 200% of Medicare). Would you be supportive of this type of cap?



Another strategy to address rising hospital costs is to cap the amount that hospitals can increase prices from year to year. Would you be supportive of this type of cap on hospital price growth?



If hospital price caps were implemented and your business saw reduced health costs as a result, how would you most likely utilize those savings?



How likely would you be to support increased state oversight of hospital mergers and acquisitions?

