

# CLIMATE CHANGE

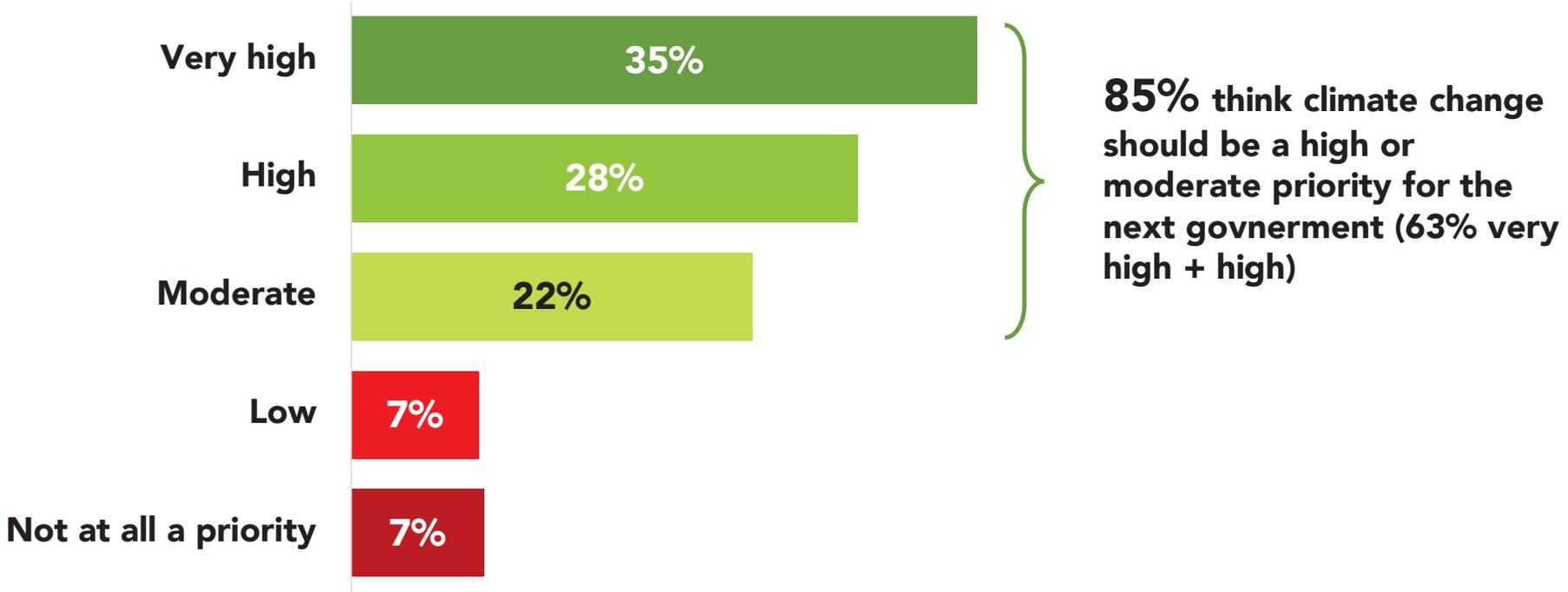
**ABACUS DATA**

# KEY FINDINGS

- 1. 9 in 10 (86%) view climate change as an emergency or a threat. Only 9% don't see it as a threat, and another 5% don't believe climate change is happening.**
  - Concerned views about climate change is strongest among those 18-29, Quebecers, and NDP & LPC voters.
- 2. If left unchecked, Canadians expect climate change to cause both economic damage and personal injury to Canadians – especially true for those living in British Columbia, and LPC & NDP voters.**
- 3. In response, 3 in 4 (75%) believe the government should act quickly and strongly to reduce GHG emissions.**
  - Quebecers and British Columbians, and LPC & NDP voters agree with quick government action more than others.
- 4. In doing so, Canadians agree that those whose jobs and incomes will be impacted by a greener economy will need support.**
  - Atlantic Canadians and NDP voters are most concerned about impacted Canadians needing support.

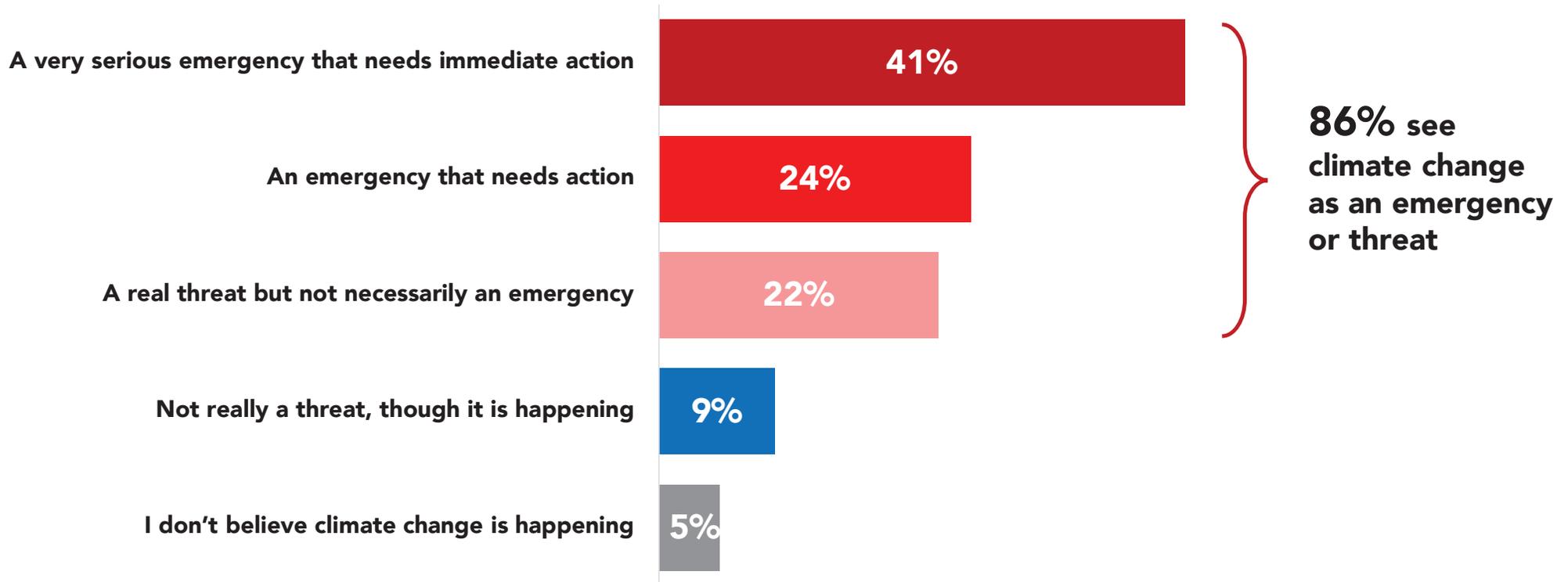
# PRIORITIES FOR NEW GOVERNMENT

## TAKING SERIOUS ACTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE



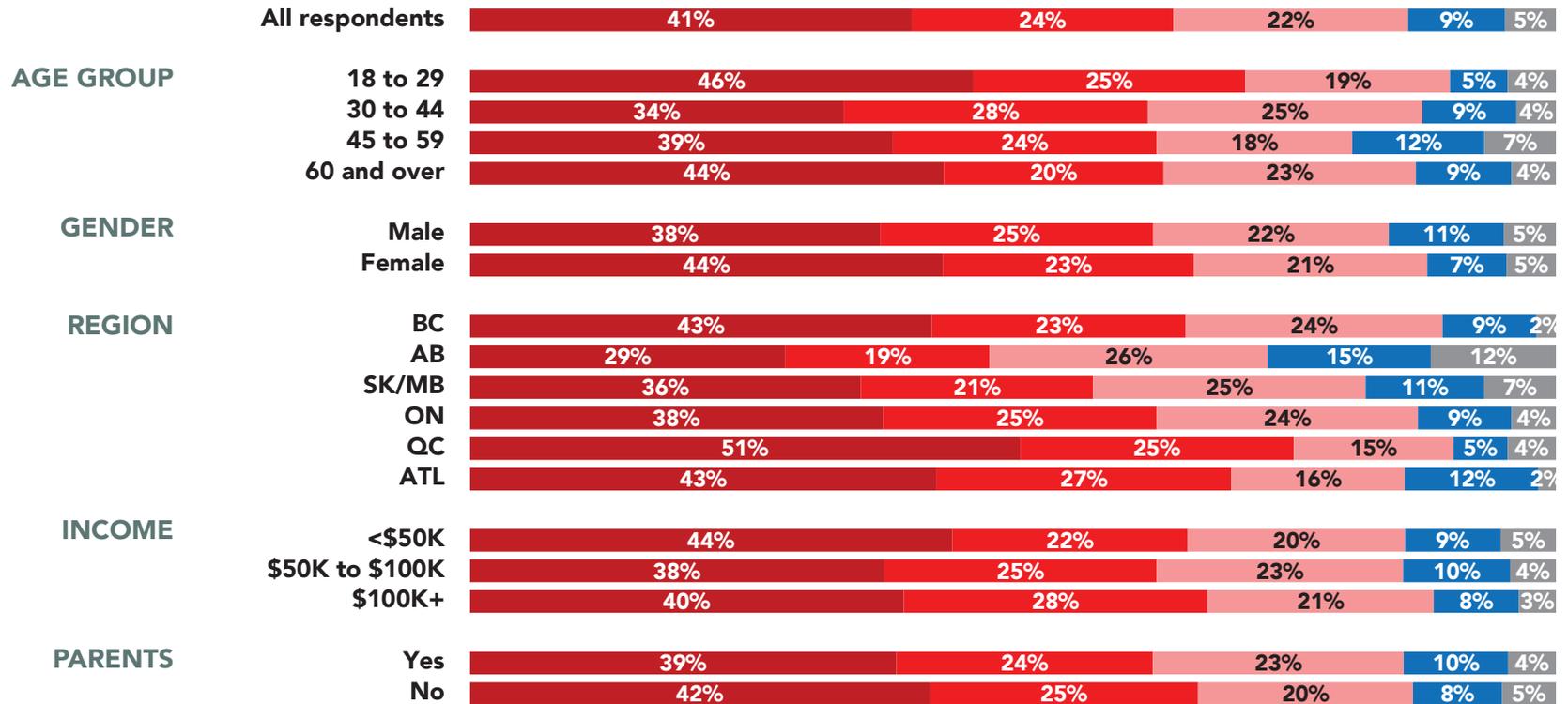
Should each of the following be very high, high, moderate, low, or not priorities at all for whoever forms the next government:

# 9 IN 10 SEE CLIMATE CHANGE AS AN EMERGENCY OR THREAT



In your mind, is climate change:

# 9 IN 10 SEE CLIMATE CHANGE AS AN EMERGENCY OR THREAT



- A very serious emergency that needs immediate action
- An emergency that needs action
- A real threat but not necessarily an emergency
- Not really a threat, though it is happening
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In your mind, is climate change:

# AGREE/DISAGREE – CLIMATE CHANGE

% STRONGLY /  
SOMEWHAT  
AGREE

If Government is pushing through a greener economy, they also need to financially support those whose jobs and incomes are affected by new policies



**79%**

Government needs to act rapidly and strongly to reduce greenhouse gas emissions



**75%**

If we leave climate change unchecked it will cause personal injury to Canadians through extreme weather events



**74%**

If we leave climate change unchecked it will cause major economic damage



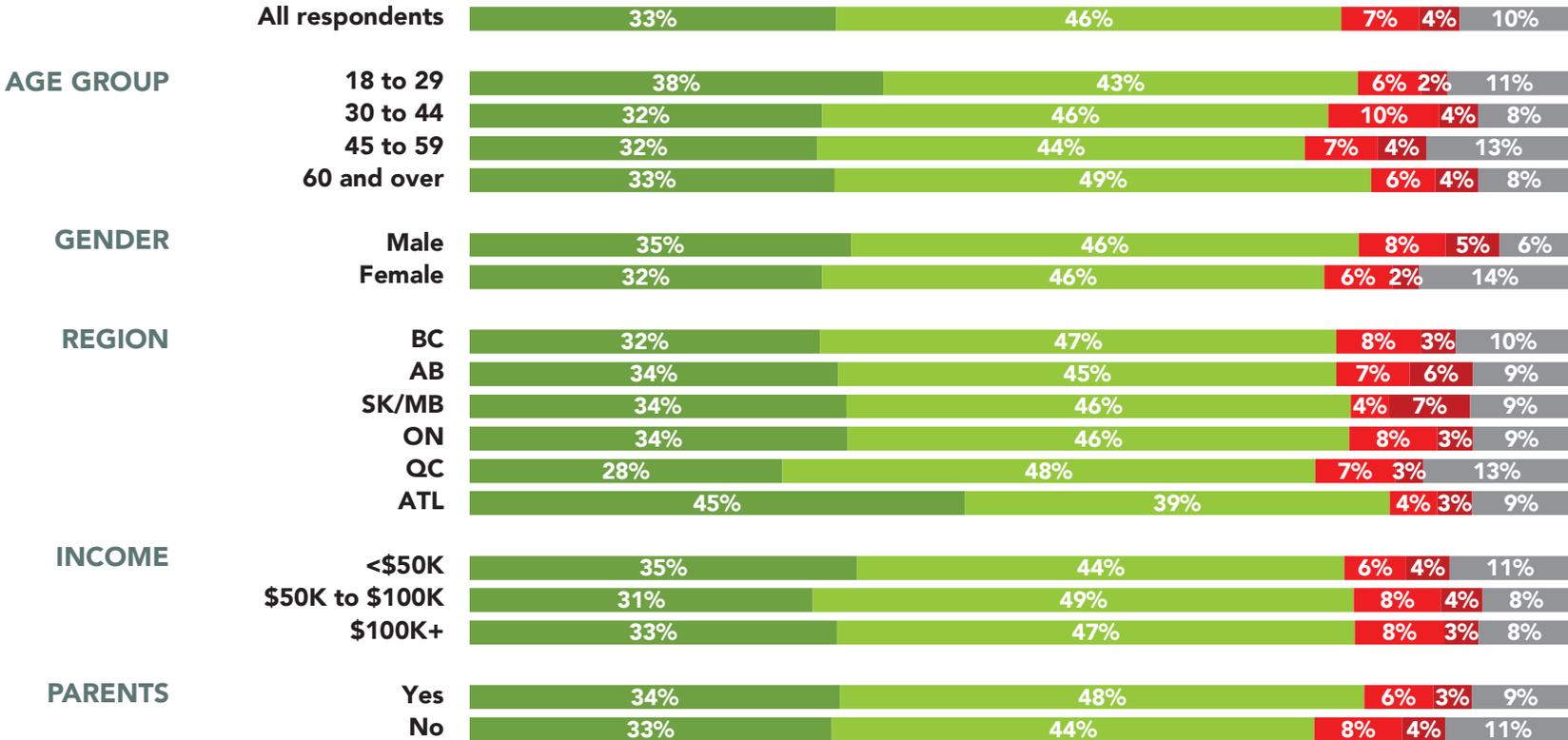
**73%**

■ Strongly agree    
 ■ Somewhat agree    
 ■ Somewhat disagree    
 ■ Strongly disagree    
 ■ Don't know



To what extent do you agree/disagree that...

# GOVERNMENT IS PUSHING THROUGH A GREENER ECONOMY, THEY ALSO NEED TO FINANCIALLY SUPPORT THOSE WHOSE JOBS AND INCOMES ARE AFFECTED BY NEW POLICIES

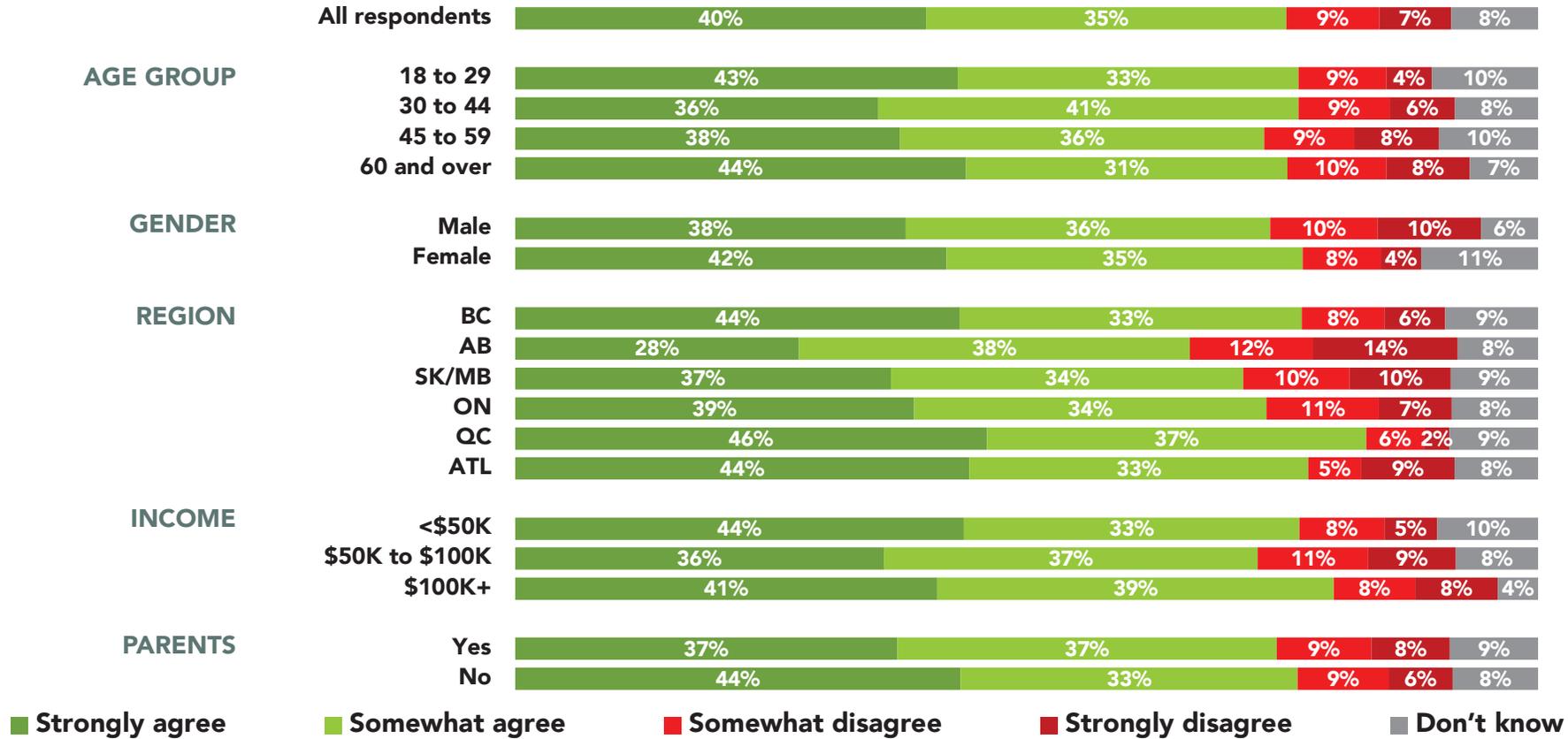


■ Strongly agree    
 ■ Somewhat agree    
 ■ Somewhat disagree    
 ■ Strongly disagree    
 ■ Don't know



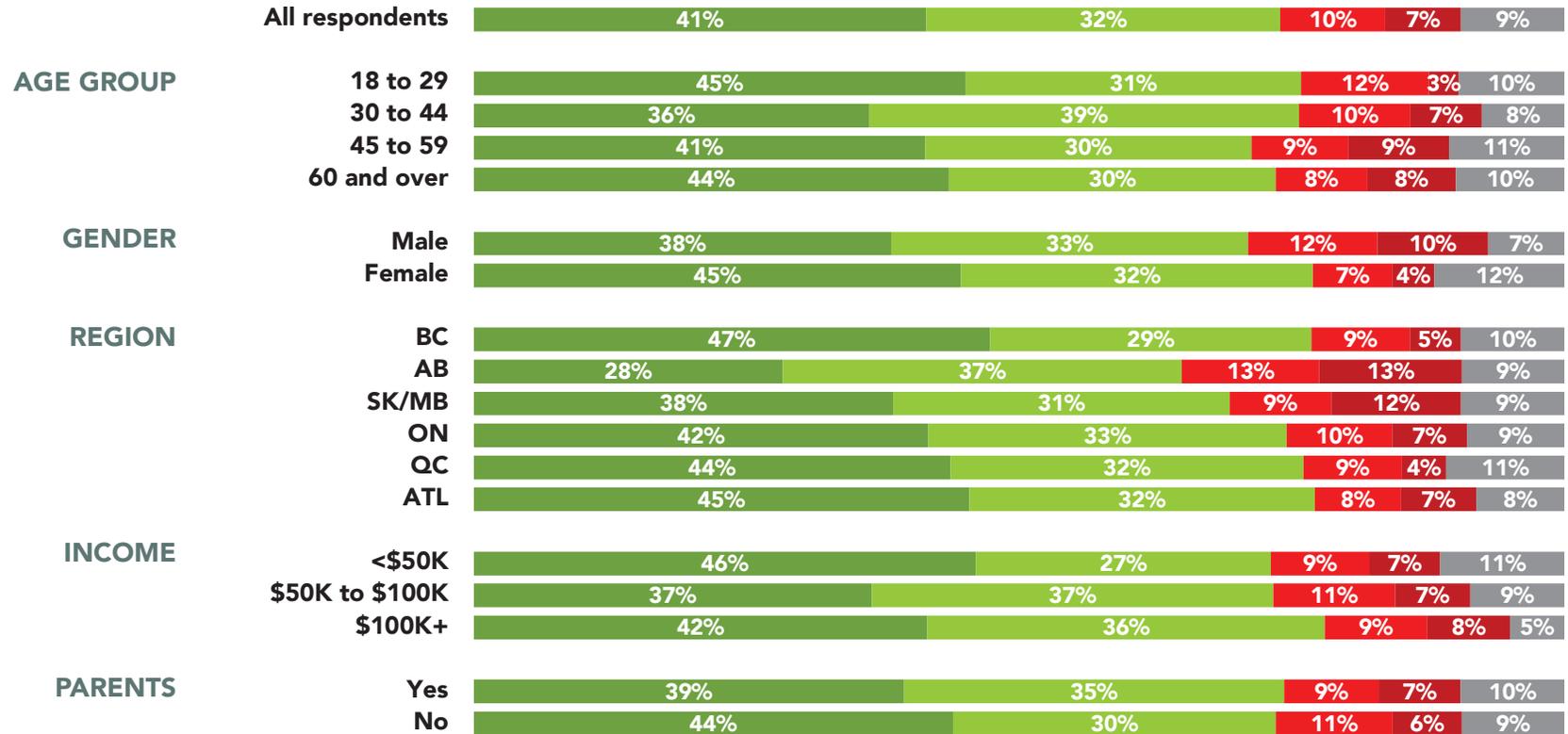
To what extent do you agree/disagree that...

# GOVERNMENT NEEDS TO ACT RAPIDLY AND STRONGLY TO REDUCE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS



To what extent do you agree/disagree that...

# IF WE LEAVE CLIMATE CHANGE UNCHECKED IT WILL CAUSE PERSONAL INJURY TO CANADIANS THROUGH EXTREME WEATHER EVENTS

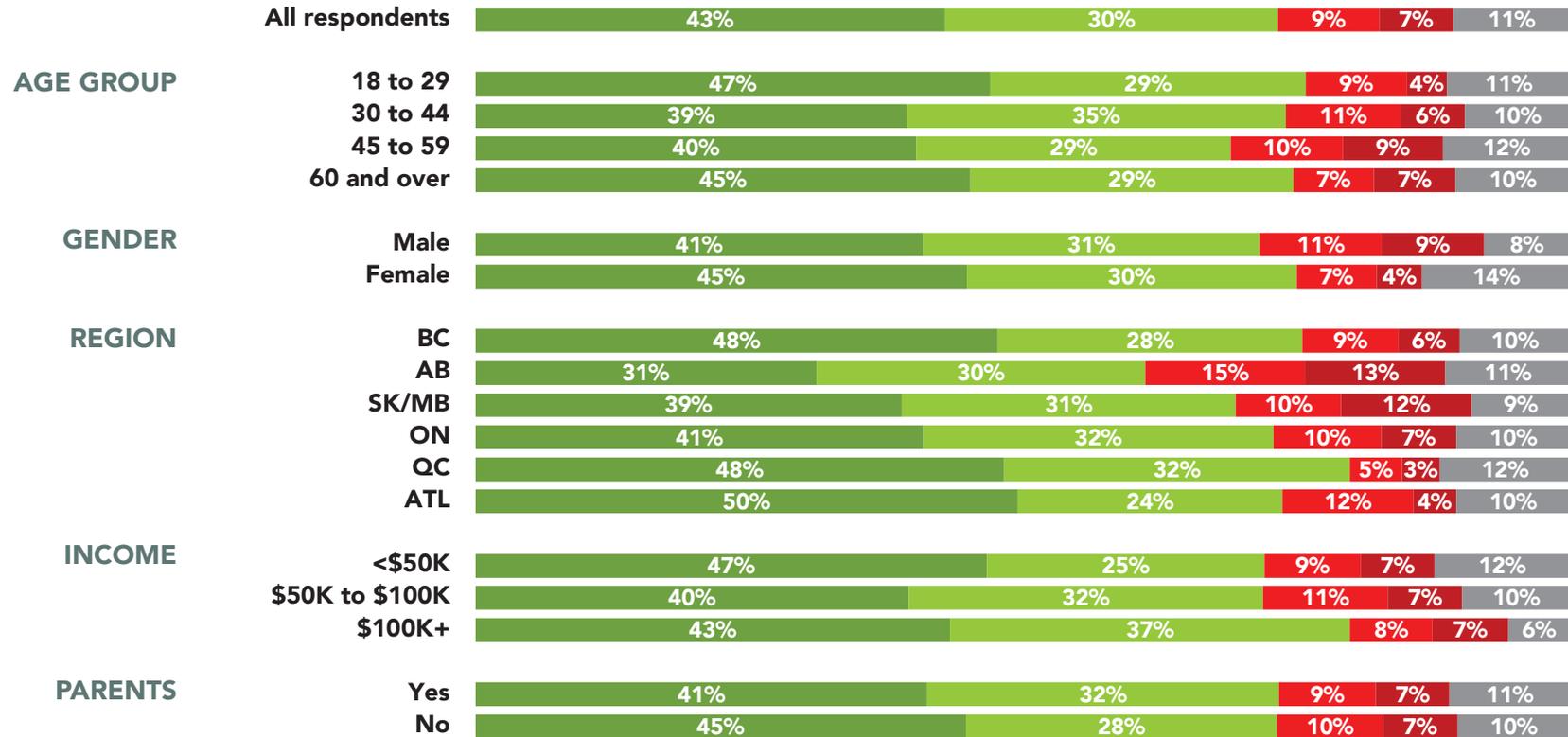


■ Strongly agree    
 ■ Somewhat agree    
 ■ Somewhat disagree    
 ■ Strongly disagree    
 ■ Don't know



To what extent do you agree/disagree that...

# IF WE LEAVE CLIMATE CHANGE UNCHECKED IT WILL CAUSE MAJOR ECONOMIC DAMAGE



■ Strongly agree    
 ■ Somewhat agree    
 ■ Somewhat disagree    
 ■ Strongly disagree    
 ■ Don't know



To what extent do you agree/disagree that...