



# Georgia Education Survey

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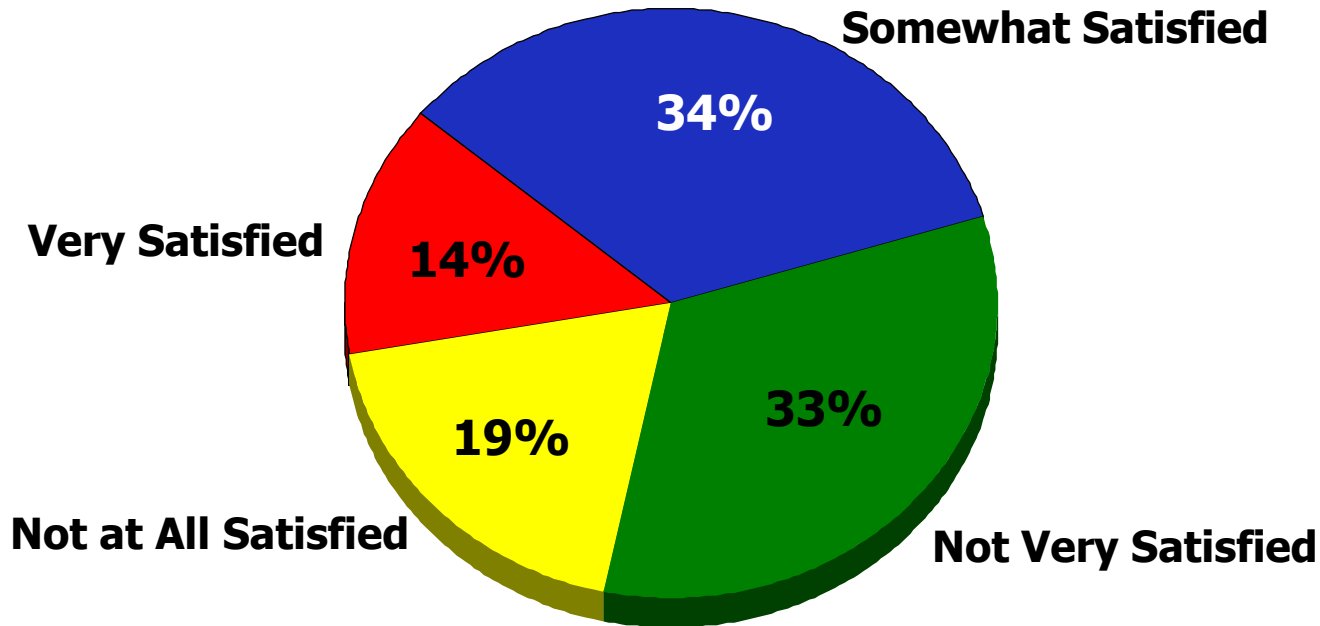
# Methodology



- **Random telephone interviews conducted with registered voters throughout the state of Georgia**
- **659 interviews completed between December 13 and December 15, 2007**
- **Data weighted for age, race, gender and political party affiliation**
- **Maximum sampling error is +/- 3.7%**

# Satisfaction with Georgia Public Schools

(659 Registered Voters in Georgia)



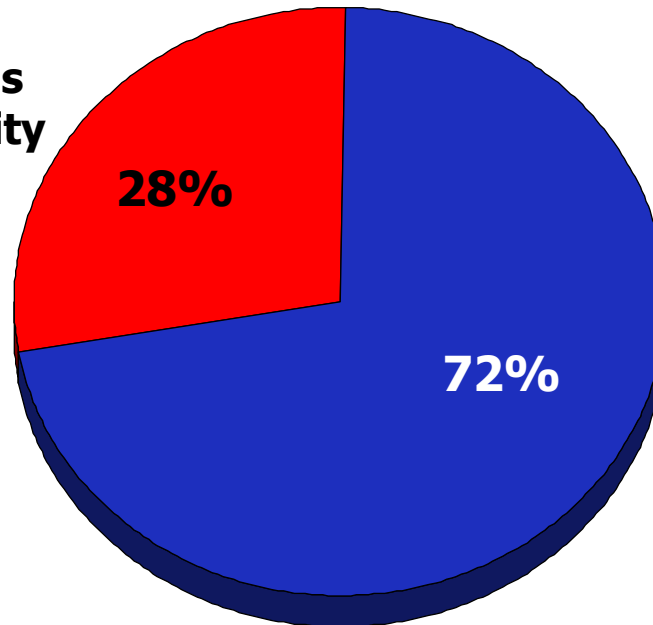
	Children Under Age 18 in Household		Political Party Affiliation			Race			
	<u>Yes</u> <u>%</u>	<u>No</u> <u>%</u>	<u>Republican</u> <u>%</u>	<u>Democrat</u> <u>%</u>	<u>Independent</u> <u>%</u>	<u>White</u> <u>%</u>	<u>Black</u> <u>%</u>	<u>Hispanic</u> <u>%</u>	<u>Other</u> <u>%</u>
Very Satisfied	15	12	16	12	8	13	11	33	3
Somewhat Satisfied	34	34	32	42	31	33	44	17	38
Not Very Satisfied	29	36	28	37	34	31	35	17	41
Not at All Satisfied	22	18	23	8	27	23	10	33	17

Q. How satisfied are you with public schools in the state of Georgia?

# Authority to Approve Charter Schools

(659 Registered Voters in Georgia)

**Only Local School Boards  
Should have the Authority**



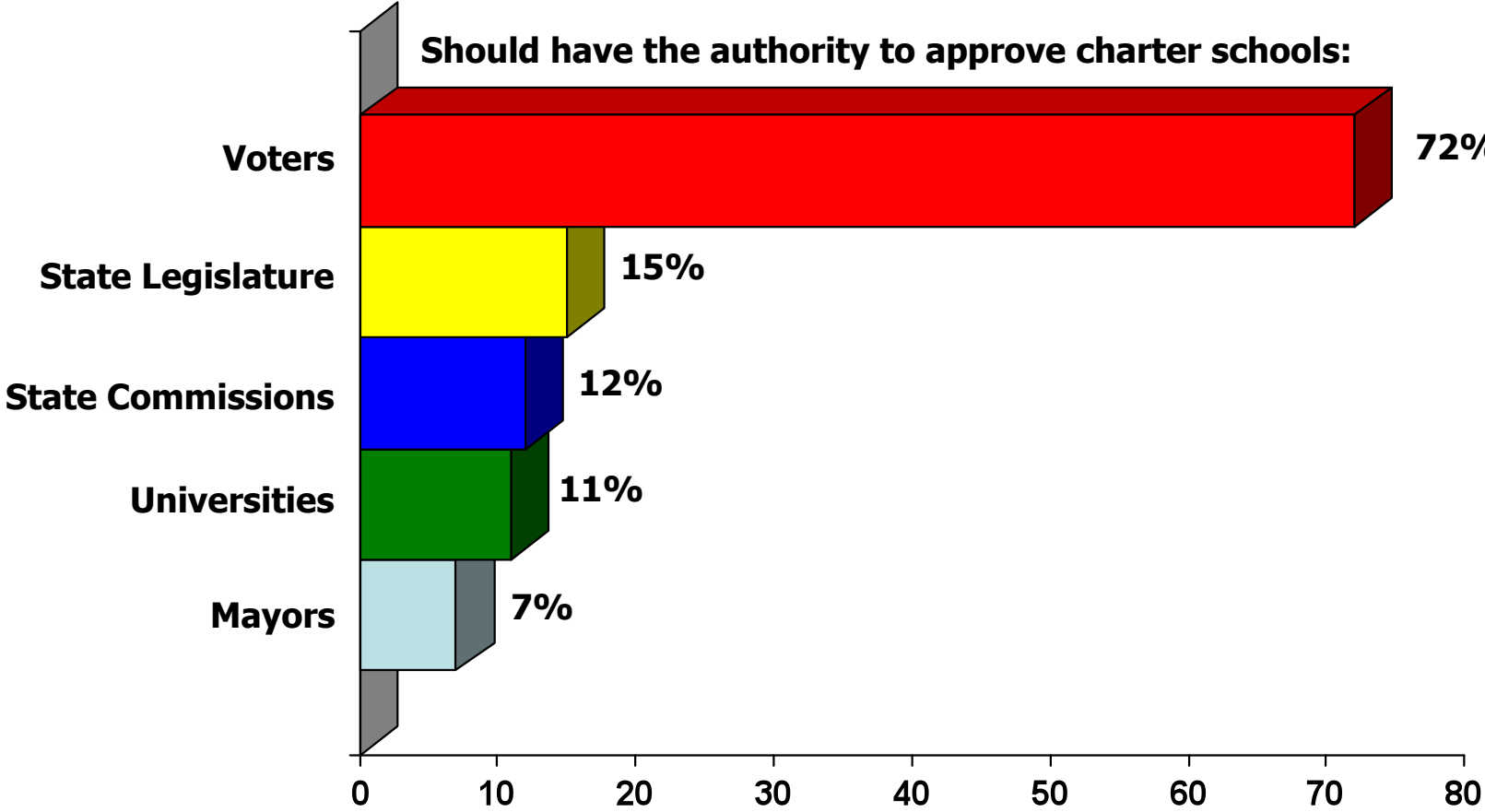
**Other Groups Should  
have the Authority**

	Children Under Age 18 in Household		Political Party Affiliation			Race			
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Only Local School Boards	30	27	28	28	28	31	18	17	21
Other Groups	70	73	72	72	72	69	82	83	79

Q. Charter schools are public schools that give parents a choice of where they send their children. The Georgia state law says that only local school boards can authorize the creation of a charter school. Do you feel that this power should be limited to just this one group or should other groups have the authority to approve the creation of charter schools??

# Desired Authority to Approve Charter Schools

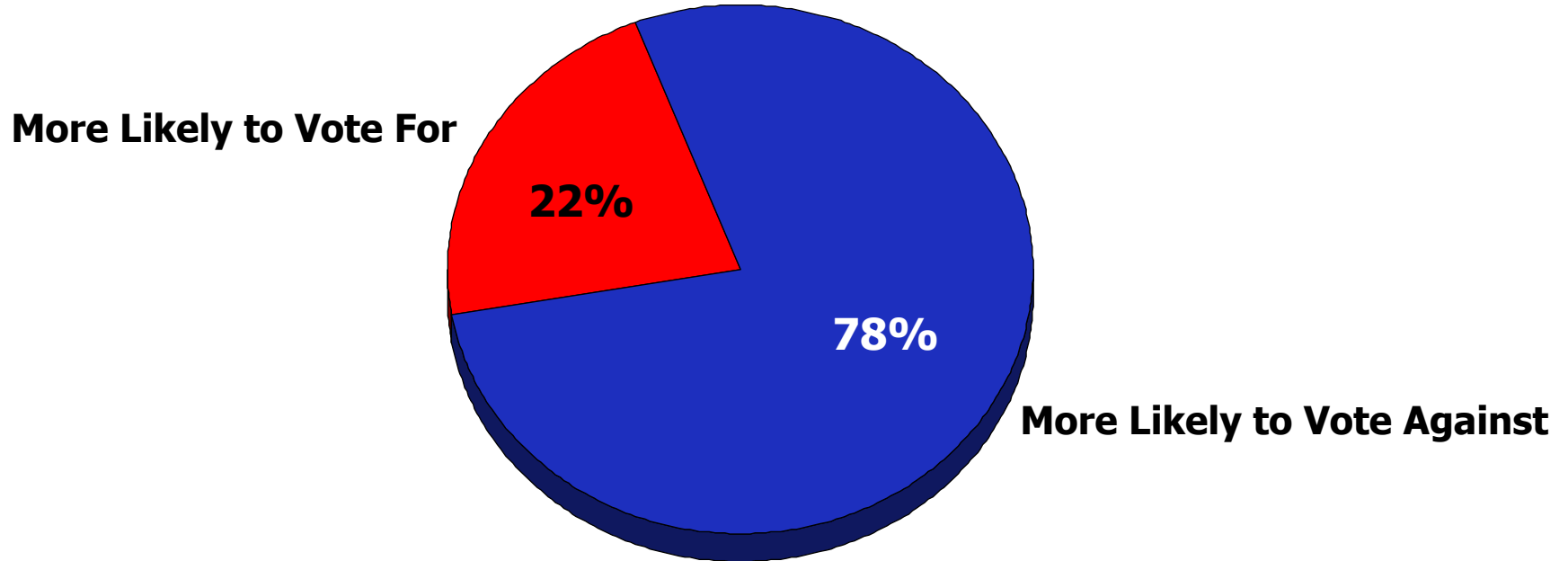
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Q. Other states allow other groups to have the authority to approve the creation of a charter school. In addition to local school boards, which of the following do you think should have the authority to approve the creation of charter schools in Georgia? (Multiple Answers Allowed)

# School Board Voting on Charter Schools

(659 Registered Voters in Georgia)



	Children Under Age 18 in Household		Political Party Affiliation			Race			
	<u>Yes</u> %	<u>No</u> %	<u>Republican</u> %	<u>Democrat</u> %	<u>Independent</u> %	<u>White</u> %	<u>Black</u> %	<u>Hispanic</u> %	<u>Other</u> %
More likely to vote for	21	22	21	23	19	20	24	33	28
More likely to vote against	79	78	79	77	81	80	76	67	72

Q. Given that charter schools are funded with money that would otherwise go to regular public schools, do you think that local school boards would be more likely to vote for or against approving a charter school in their district?

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