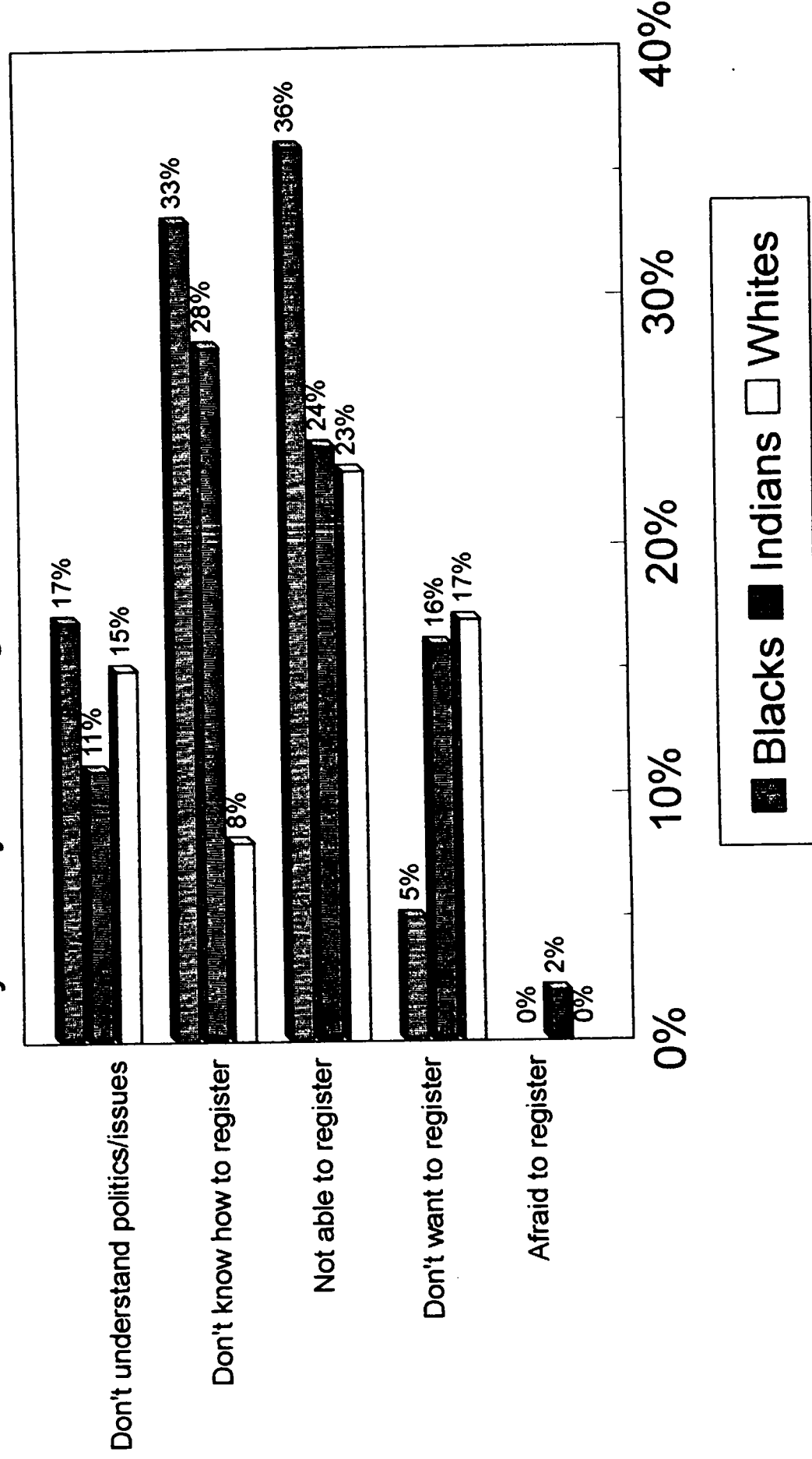


Blacks are Not Registered Mostly for Lack of Understanding and Inability; Indians Mostly for Lack of Understanding; Whites Mostly for Inability

Why have you not registered to vote in local elections?

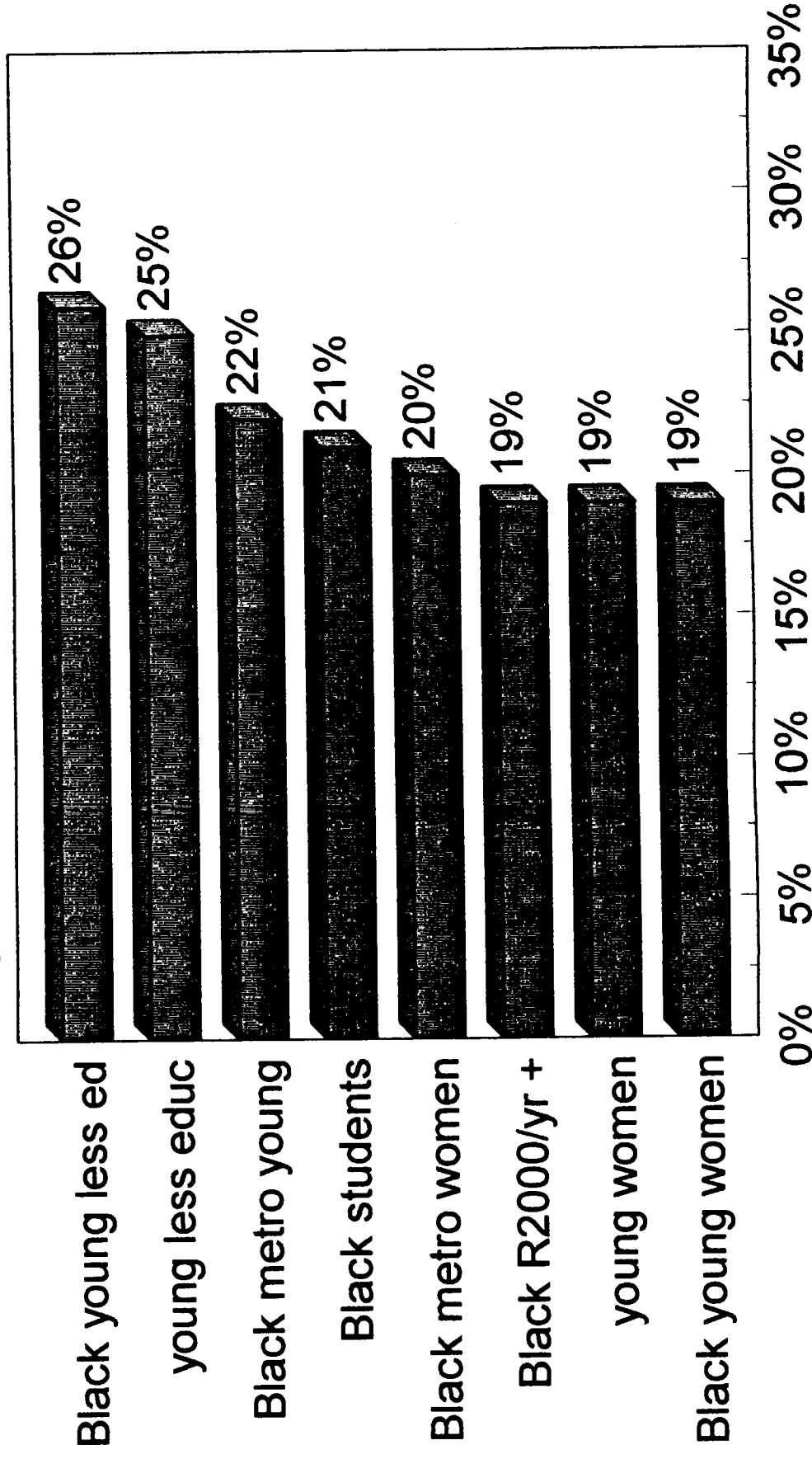


The Disenfranchised

- The disenfranchised have little knowledge, and they have little efficacy.
- Nonvoters are also particularly negative about the direction of the country.
- Of Africans who are not registered or don't plan to vote, half are younger women.
- Ninety-three percent of those not registered and those not voting say they know little or nothing about local elections -- 63 percent of nonvoters say they know nothing at all.
- Sixty-one percent of those Blacks not registered say their vote does not make a difference, though 49 percent say voting in 1994 was one of the most important things to them.
- Half of unregistered voters and nonvoters believe the provincial government is getting nothing done.
- Seventy percent of nonvoters say that South Africa is going in the wrong direction. Only one quarter of nonvoters feel emotionally positive about the province.
- Sixty-one percent of Africans who are not registered to vote and 70 percent of those not voting say they worry about violence.

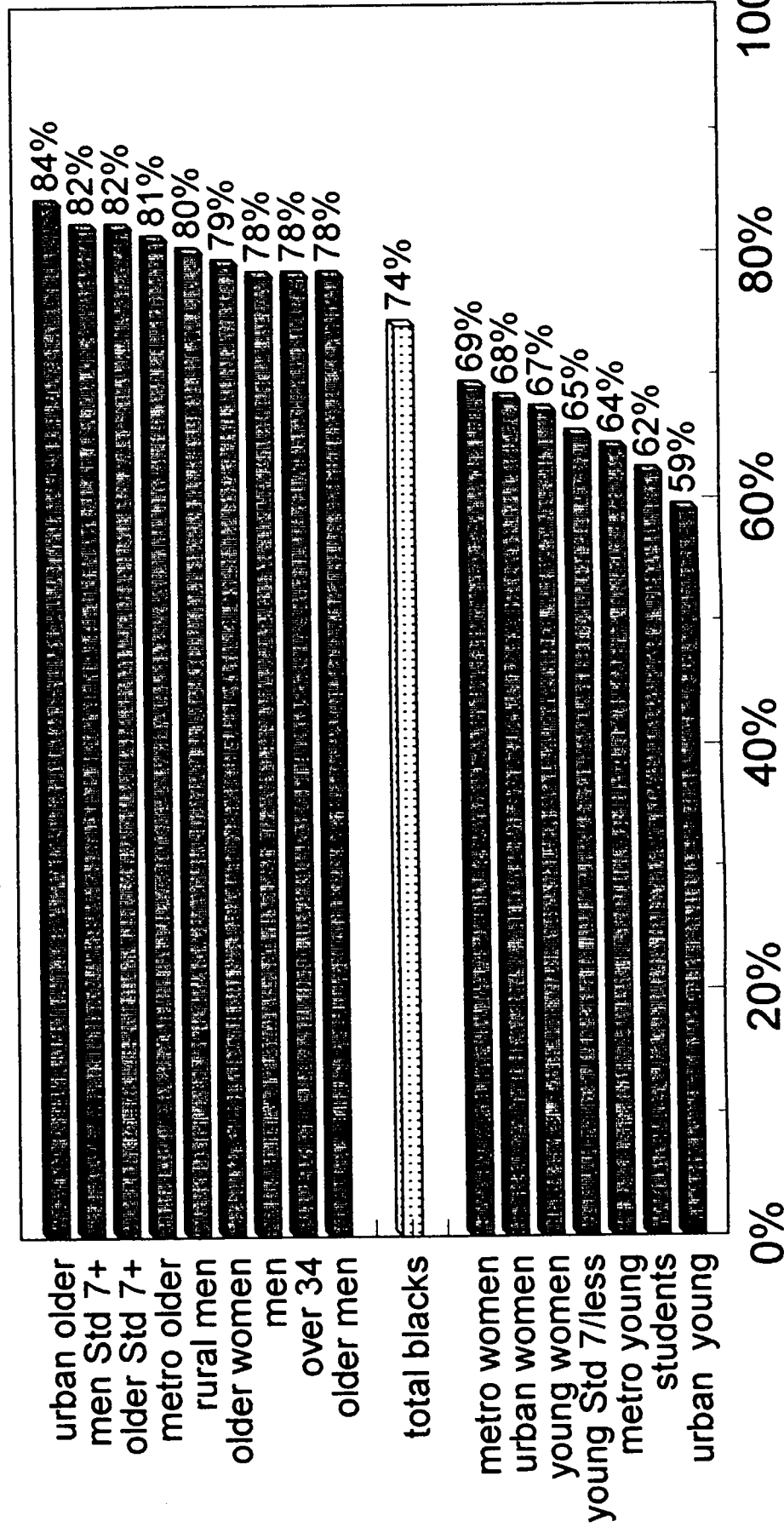
Most Disenfranchised are Younger, Black, Students, Metro and Female

% unregistered who don't intend to vote



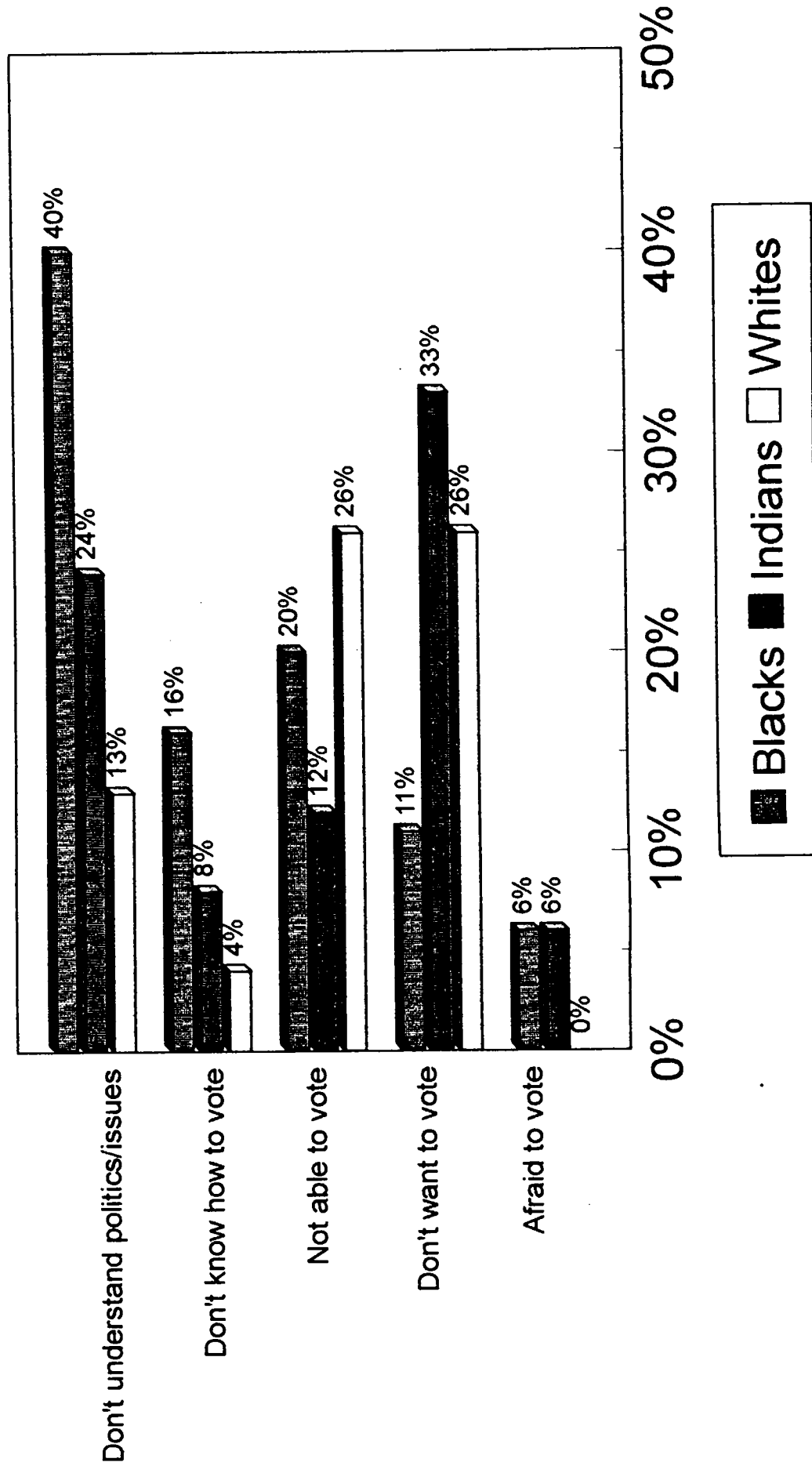
Among Blacks: Older, Urban, Male and More Educated are Most Likely to Vote; Younger, Urban and Metro, Female and Less Educated are Least Likely to Vote

Do you plan to vote in local elections?
(among Blacks)



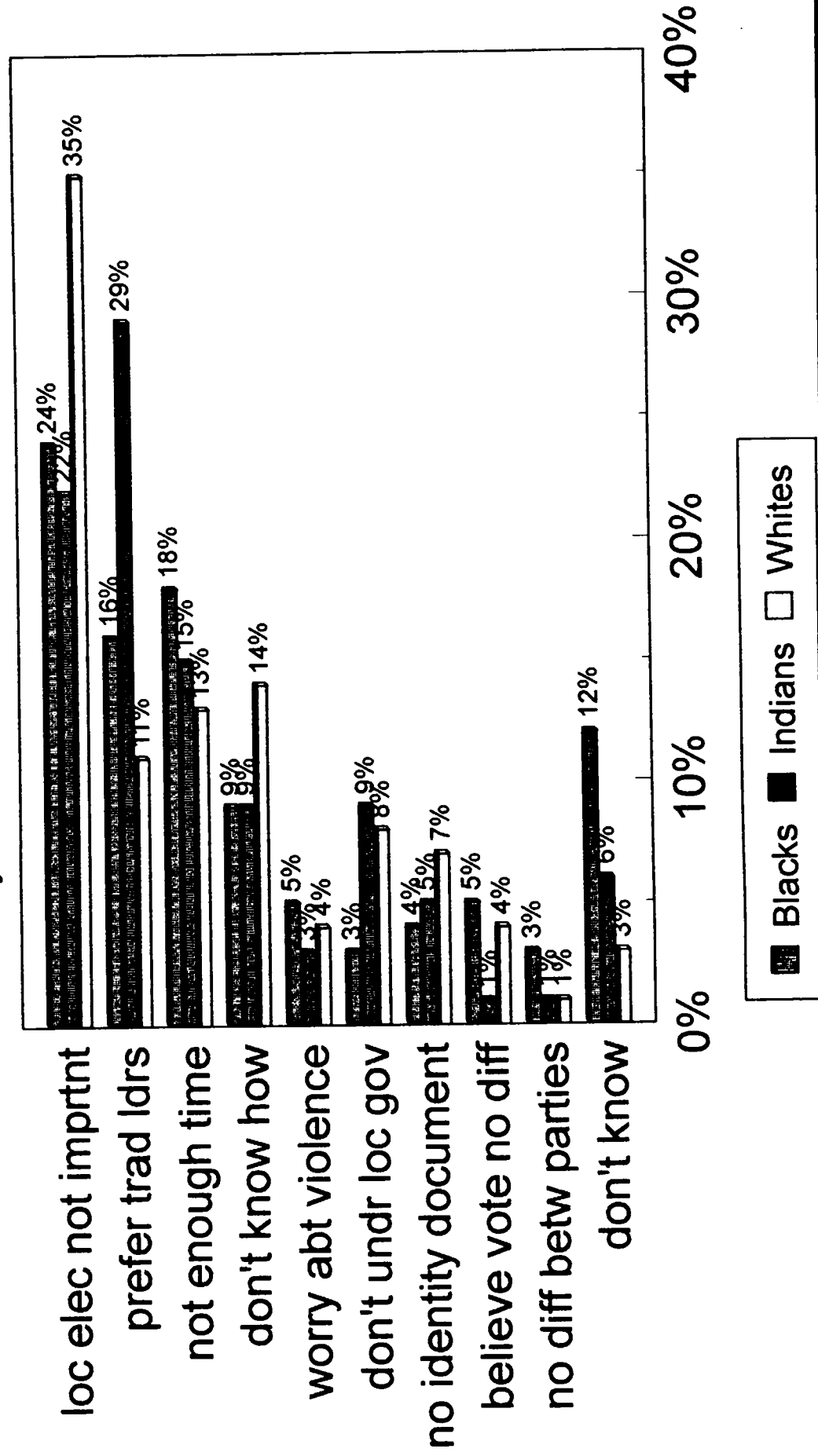
Blacks Tend to Say They Lack Understanding, While Indians Feel Their Vote Makes No Difference

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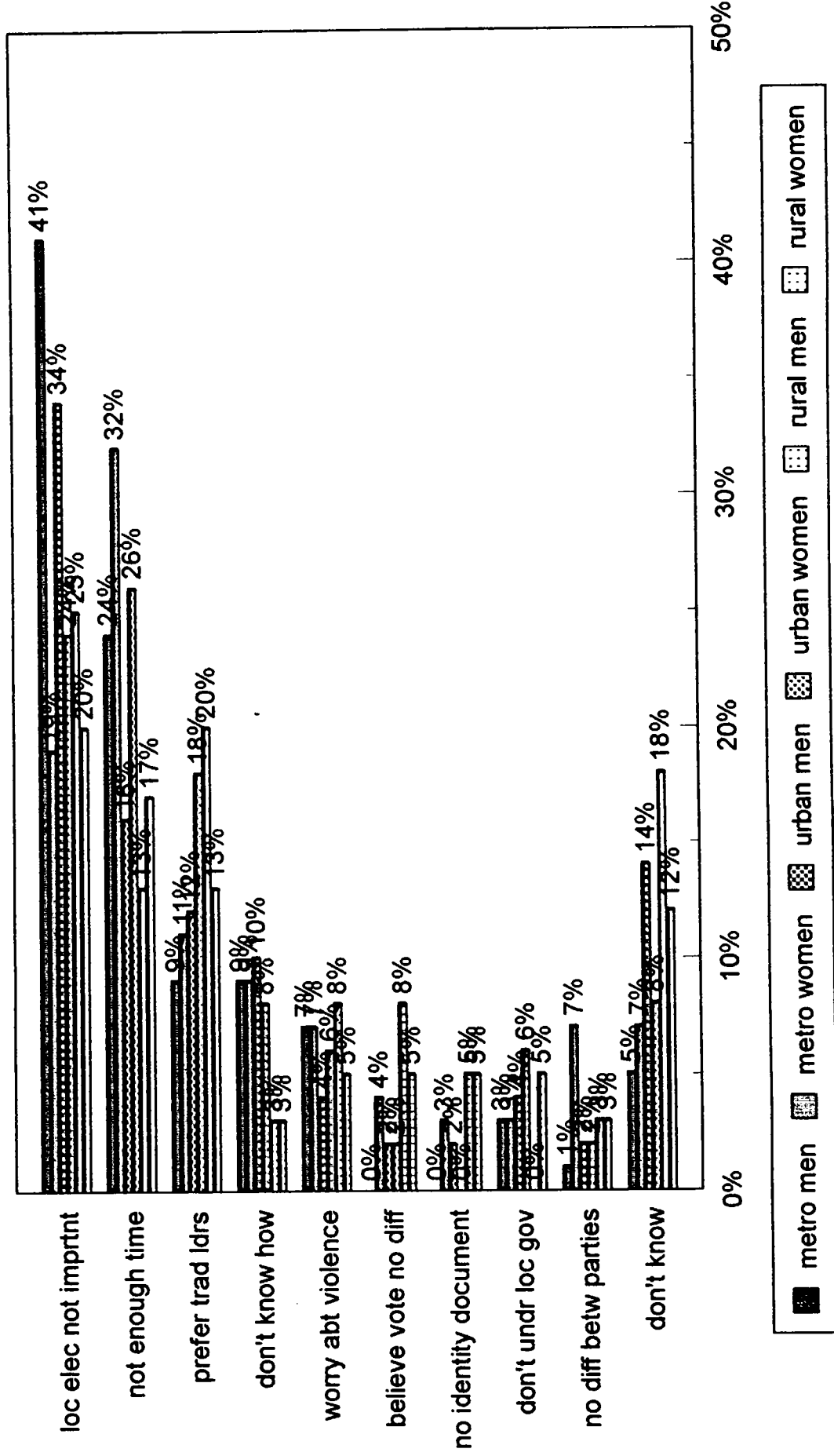
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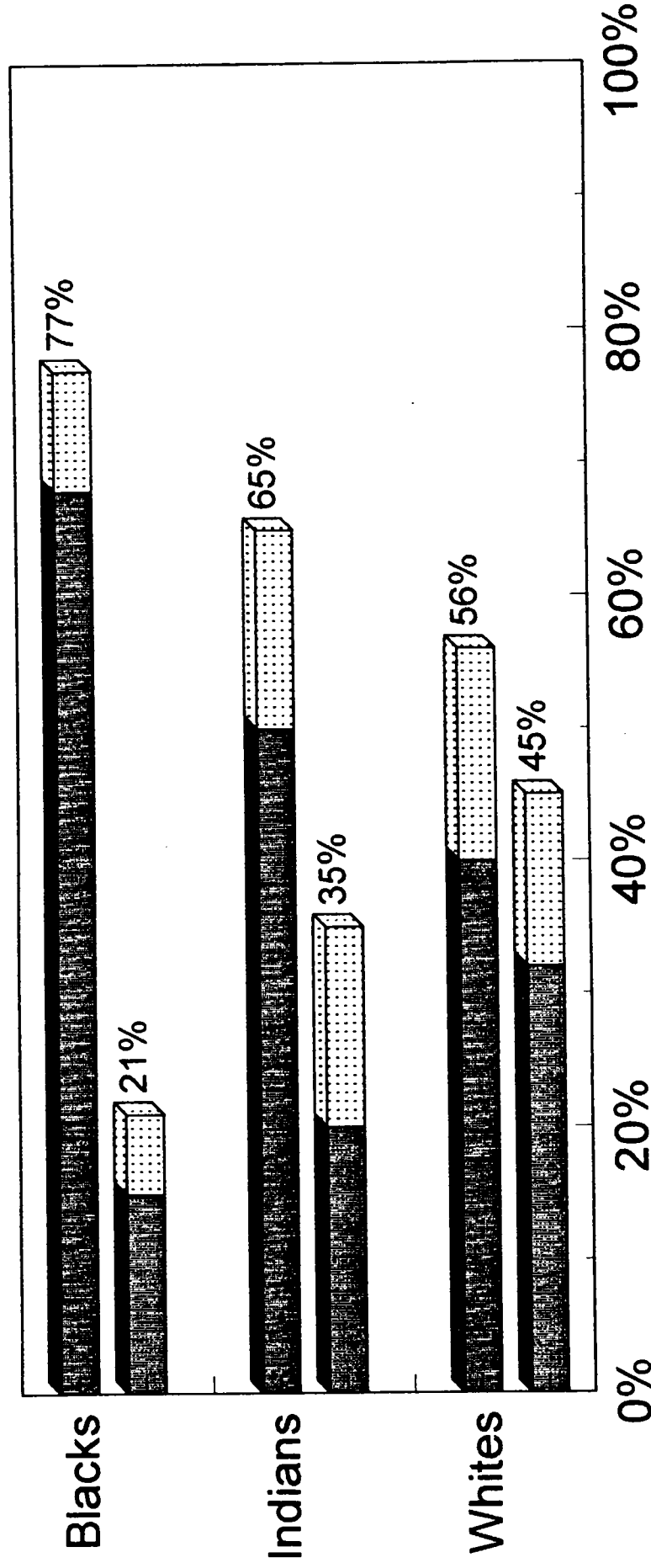
In Explaining Why Other People Don't Vote, Women Tend To Cite Time Constraints, Men Tend To Cite Indifference

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All Races Worry About Election Violence; Blacks are Even More Worried Than Indians and Whites

How worried are you about election violence?



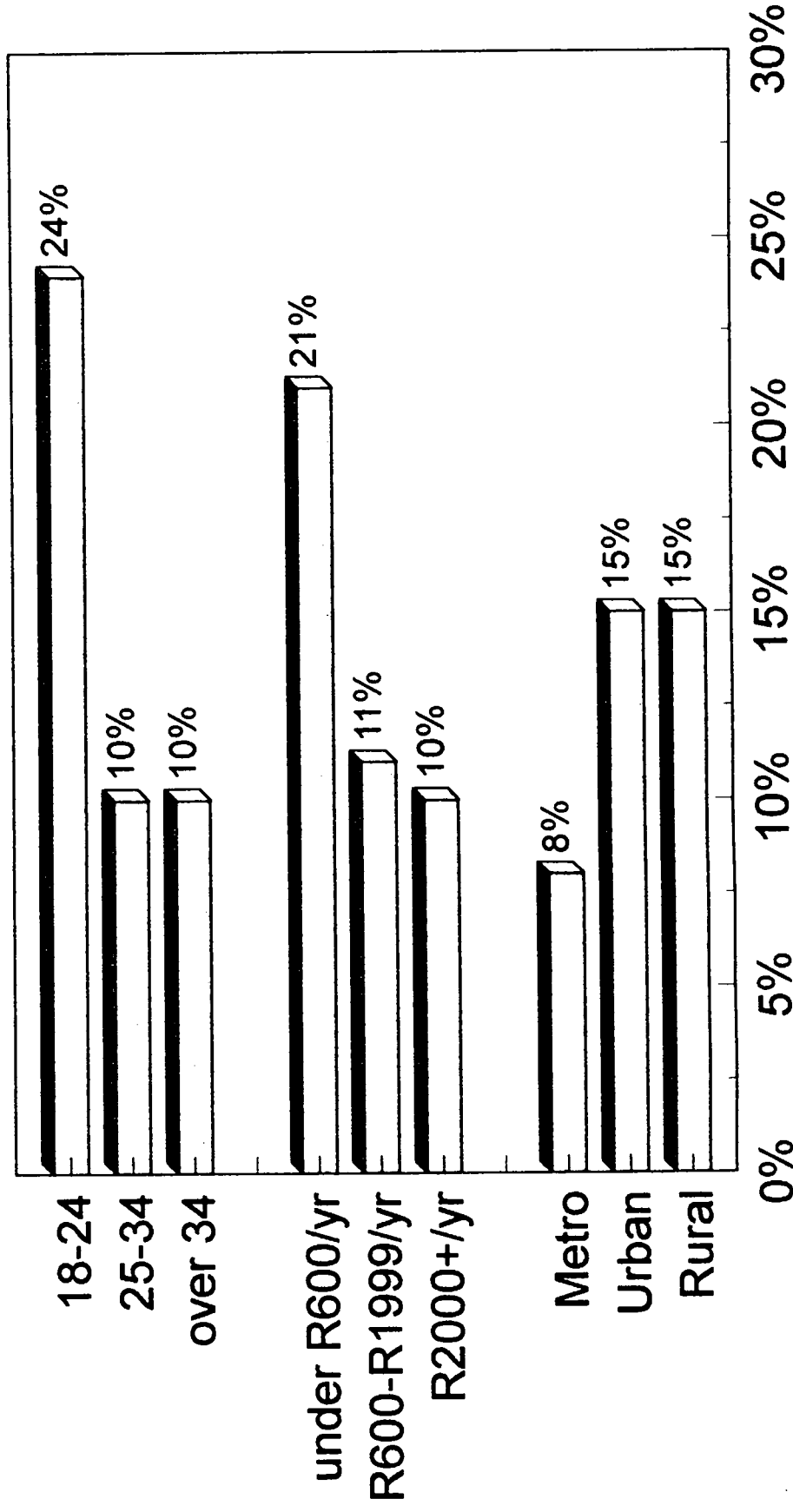
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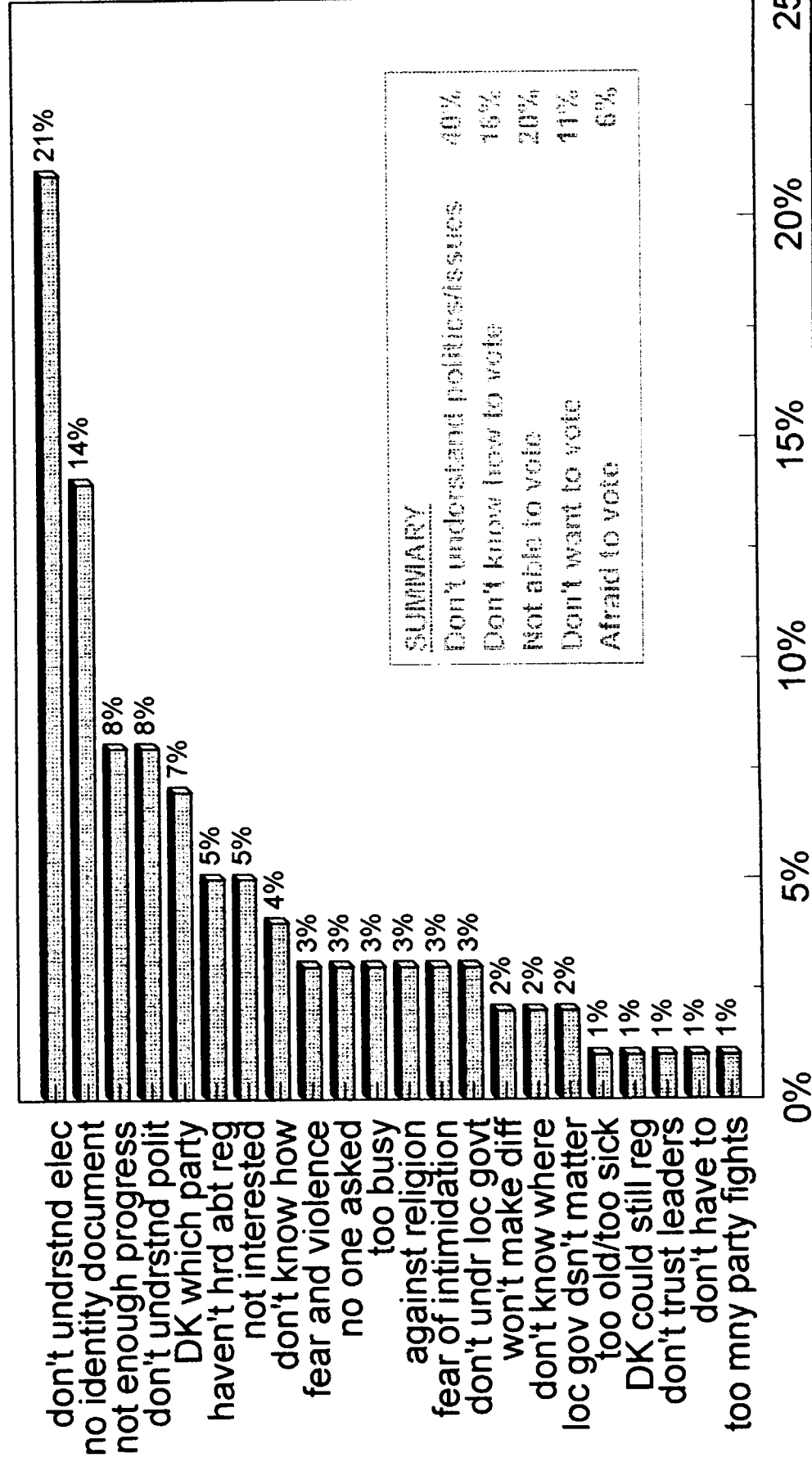
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% who plan to vote but are not registered
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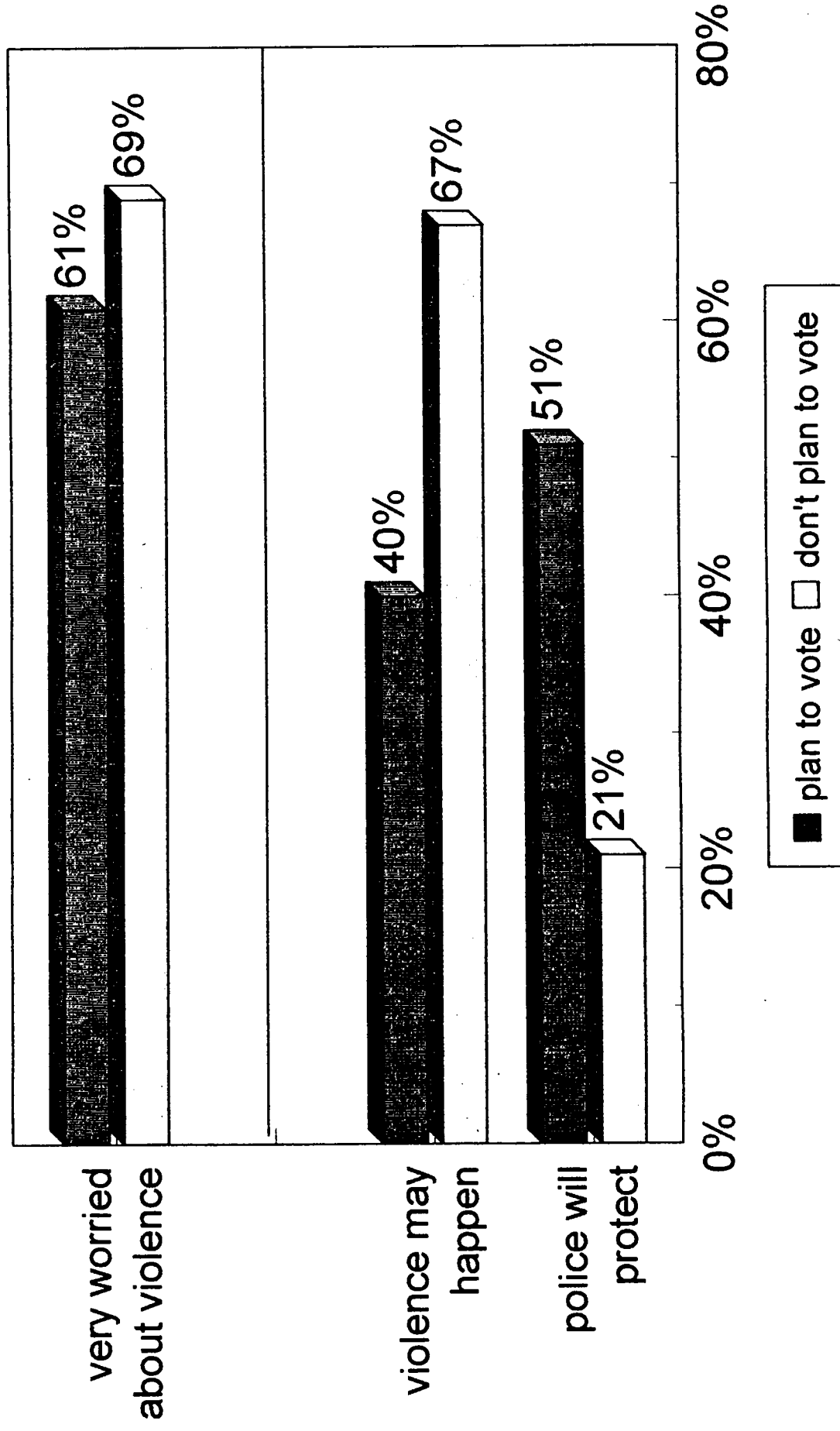


Among Blacks: Lack of Understanding and Identity Documents Impede Voting More than Fear of Violence

Why won't you vote in local elections?
(among Blacks)

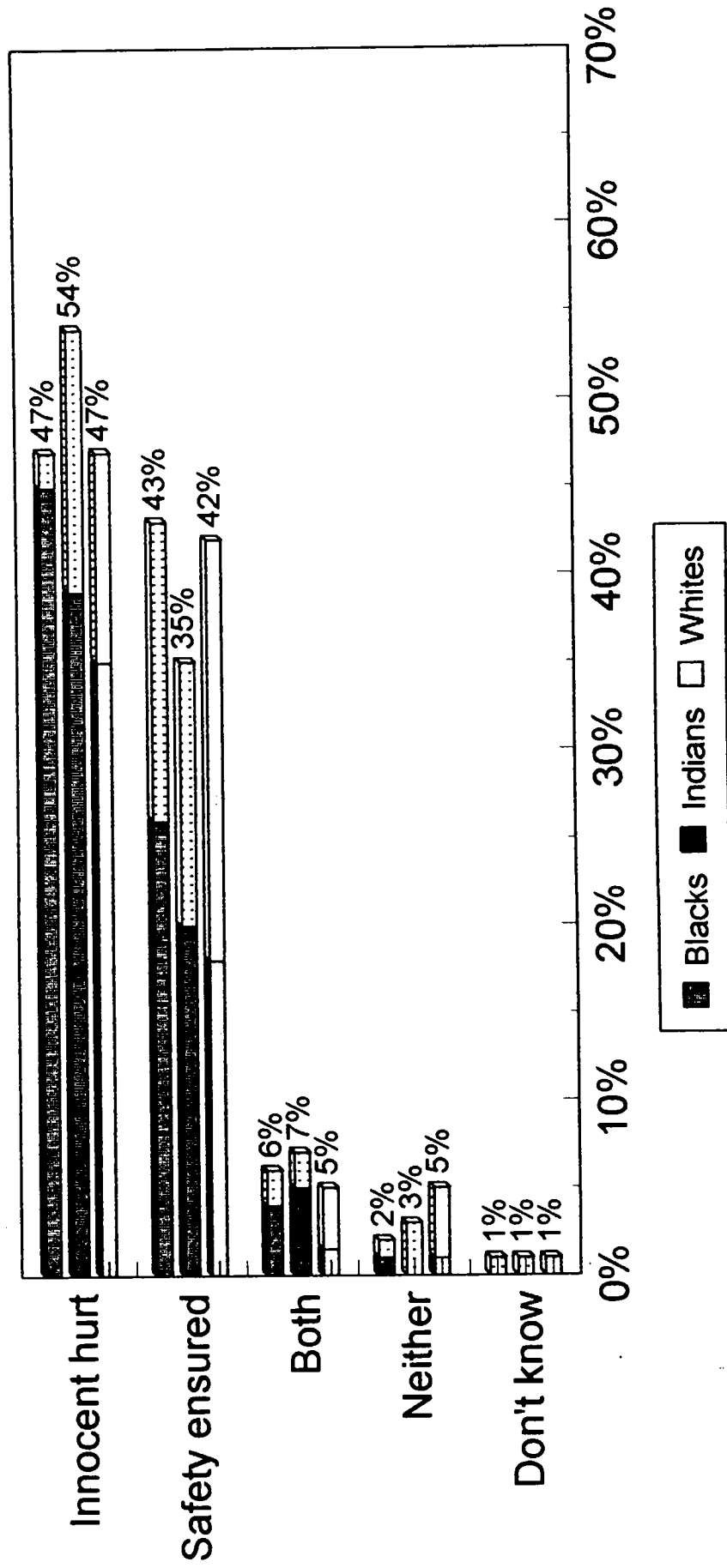


Those Who Plan to Stay Away From the Polls Are More Worried About Possible Election Violence



People Split On Whether Safety Will Be Ensured in Local Elections; Indians Have the Least Confidence

Some people say that they are very worried about political violence, and that innocent people will get hurt when they go to vote. Other people say that the level of violence has been exaggerated, and that the police and security forces will ensure people's safety when they vote. Which one is closer to your own point of view?

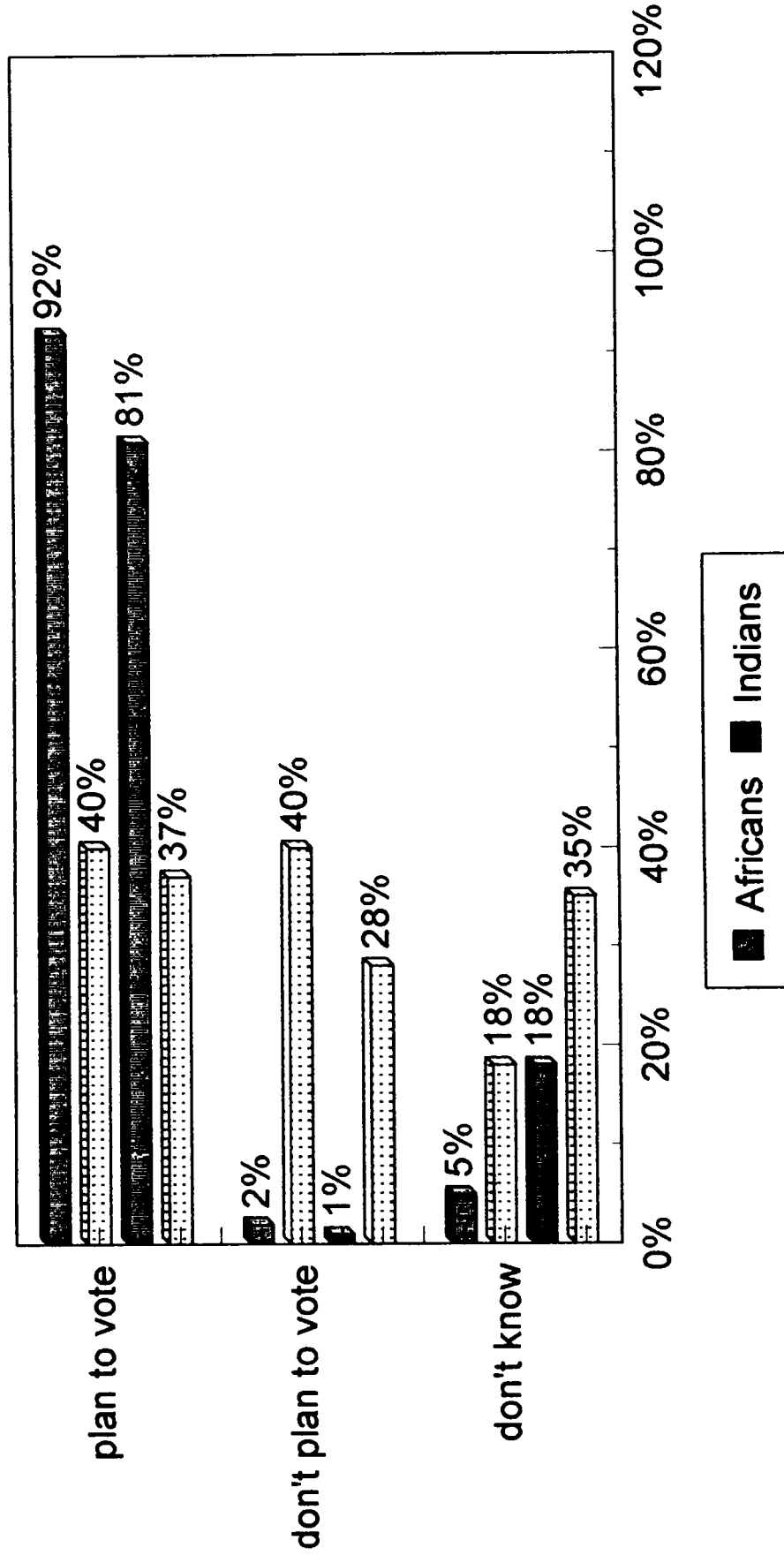


Those Who are Unregistered but Intend to Vote

- They are young, poor, female, idealistic and poorly informed.
- Half of the unregistered who intend to vote are 18-24; 41 percent are rural women; 45 percent have incomes under R600/year; 24% are Zion Christian.
- Seventy-six percent have never seen a registration form.
- Only 58 percent have heard of the local elections, and 71 percent have little knowledge of local government.
- Eighty-four percent voted in 1994, and of those, 89 percent said it was personally very important to them.
- However, 65 percent believe their vote made no difference, though 46 percent say they have at least the right amount of say in South Africa.
- They are more upbeat about the country (52 percent say South Africa is going in the right direction), but like all voters, they are depressed about the direction of KwaZulu/Natal.
- They are by far most concerned about jobs and the economy (51 percent), and they respond most to messages about local services.

Many Who Are Not Registered Plan to Vote

Do you plan to vote in local elections?

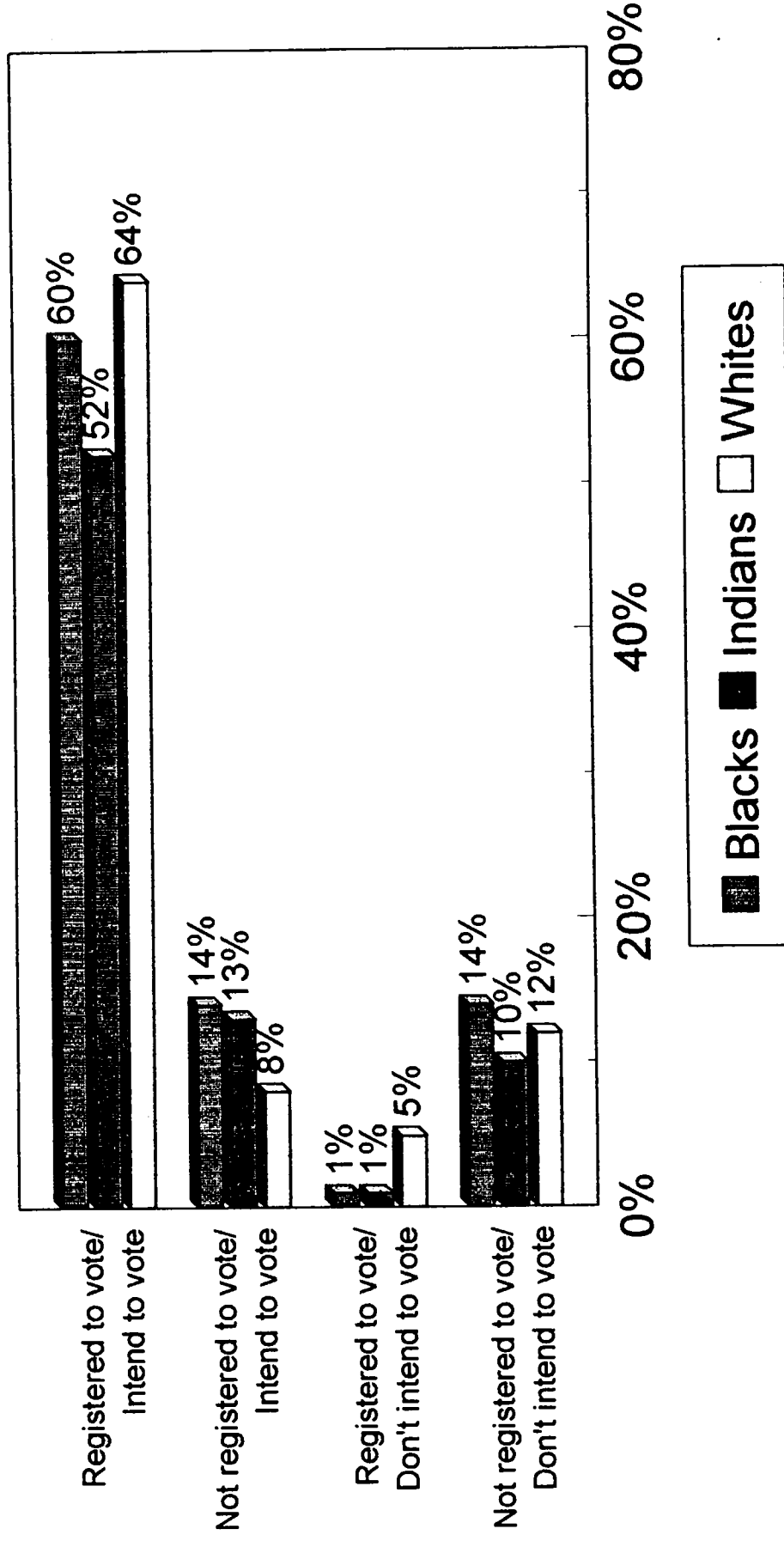


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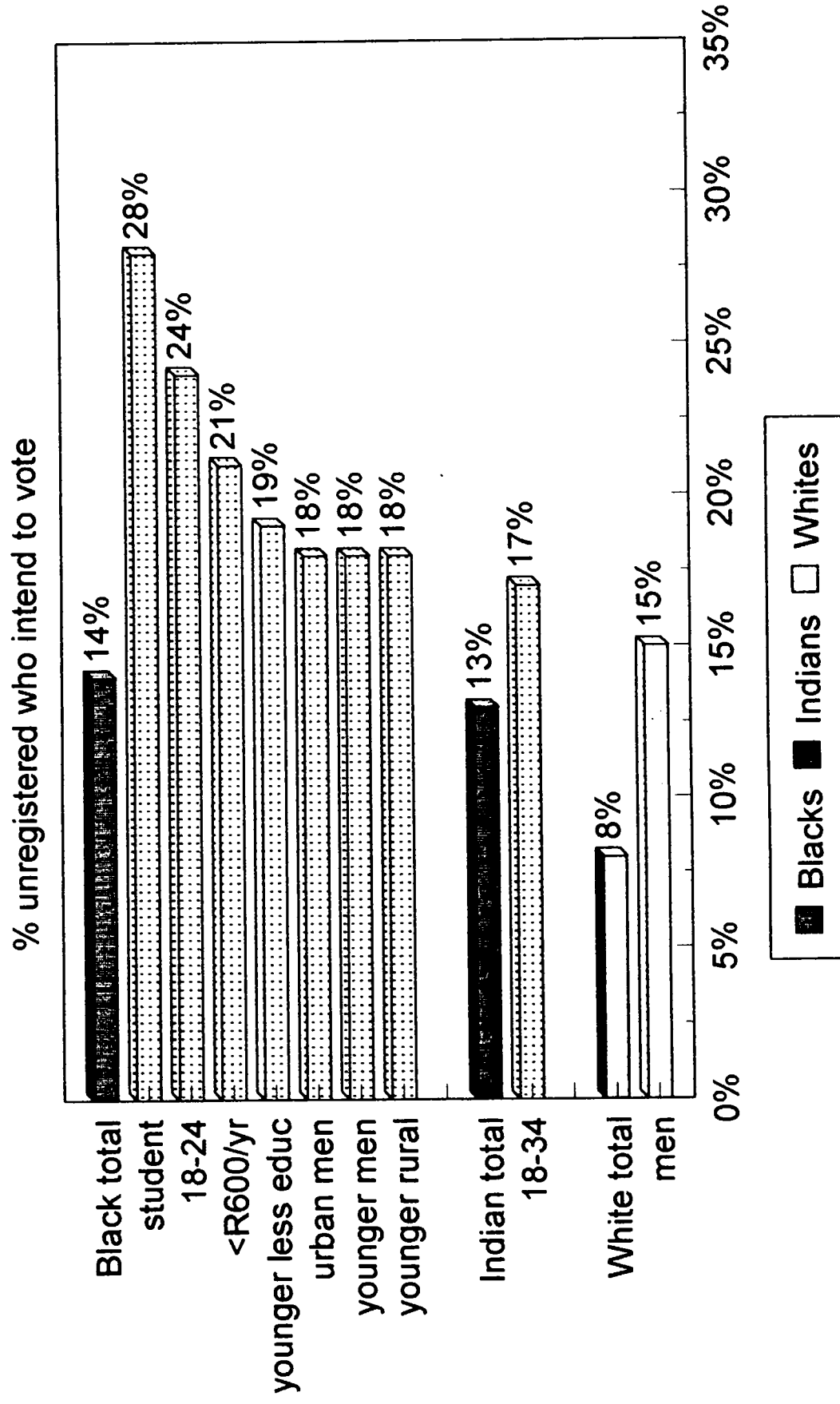
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Overall, One in Eight Black and Indian Voters Plans to Vote But is Not Registered

Do you plan to vote in local elections?
Are you registered to vote in local elections?

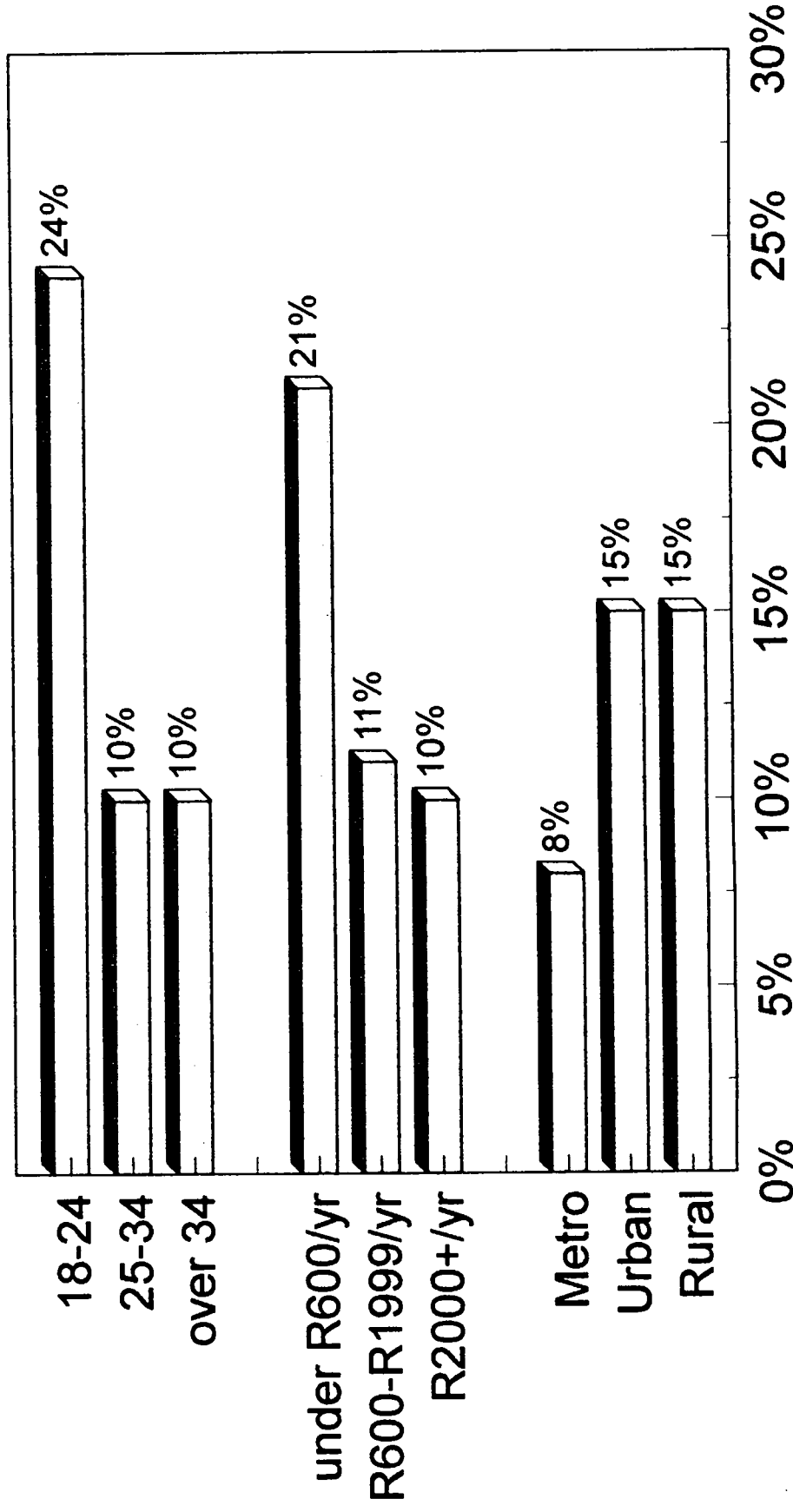


Black Students and Young People, Indian Young People, and White Men are More Likely to Intend to Vote While Remaining Unregistered



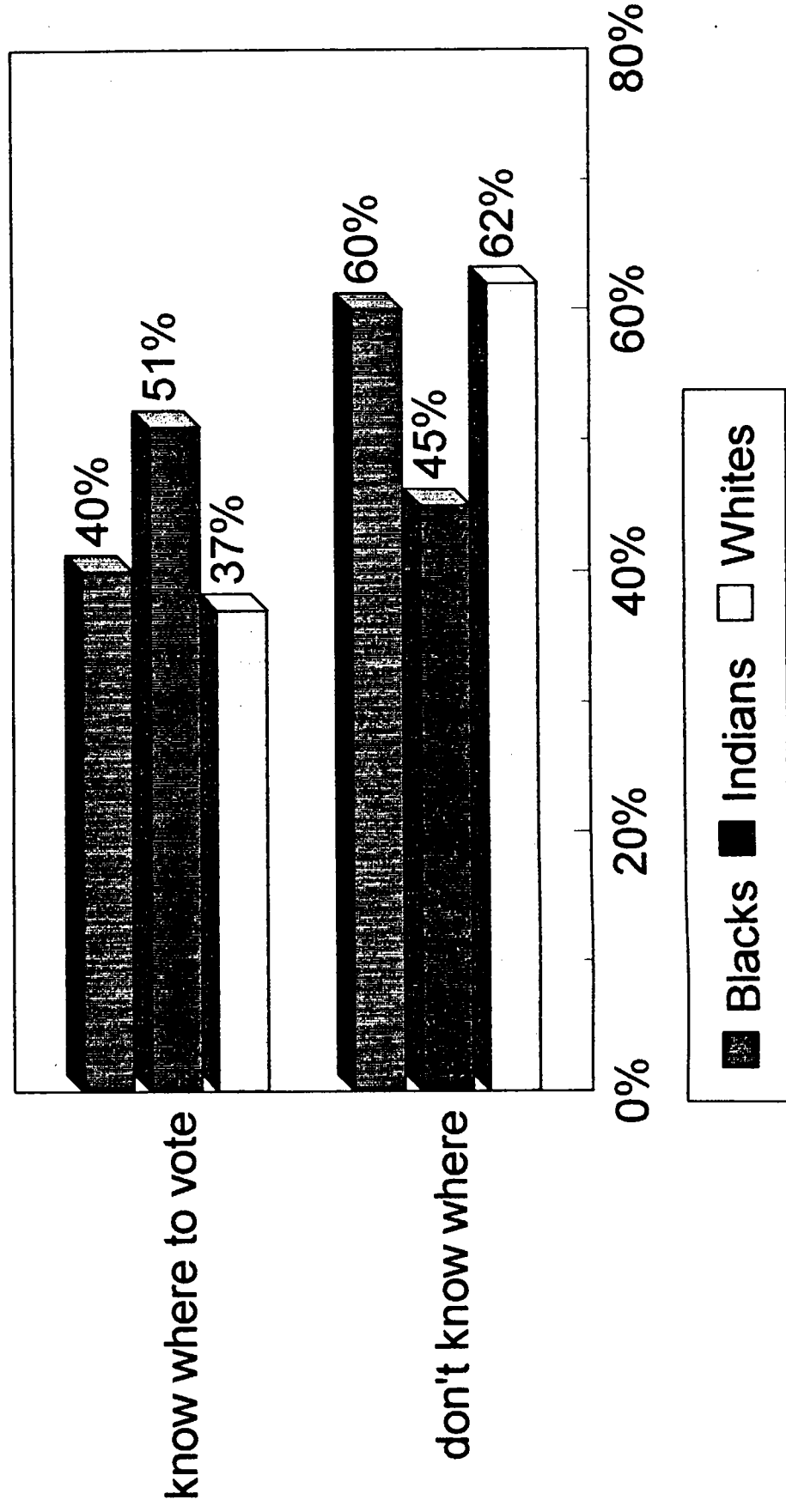
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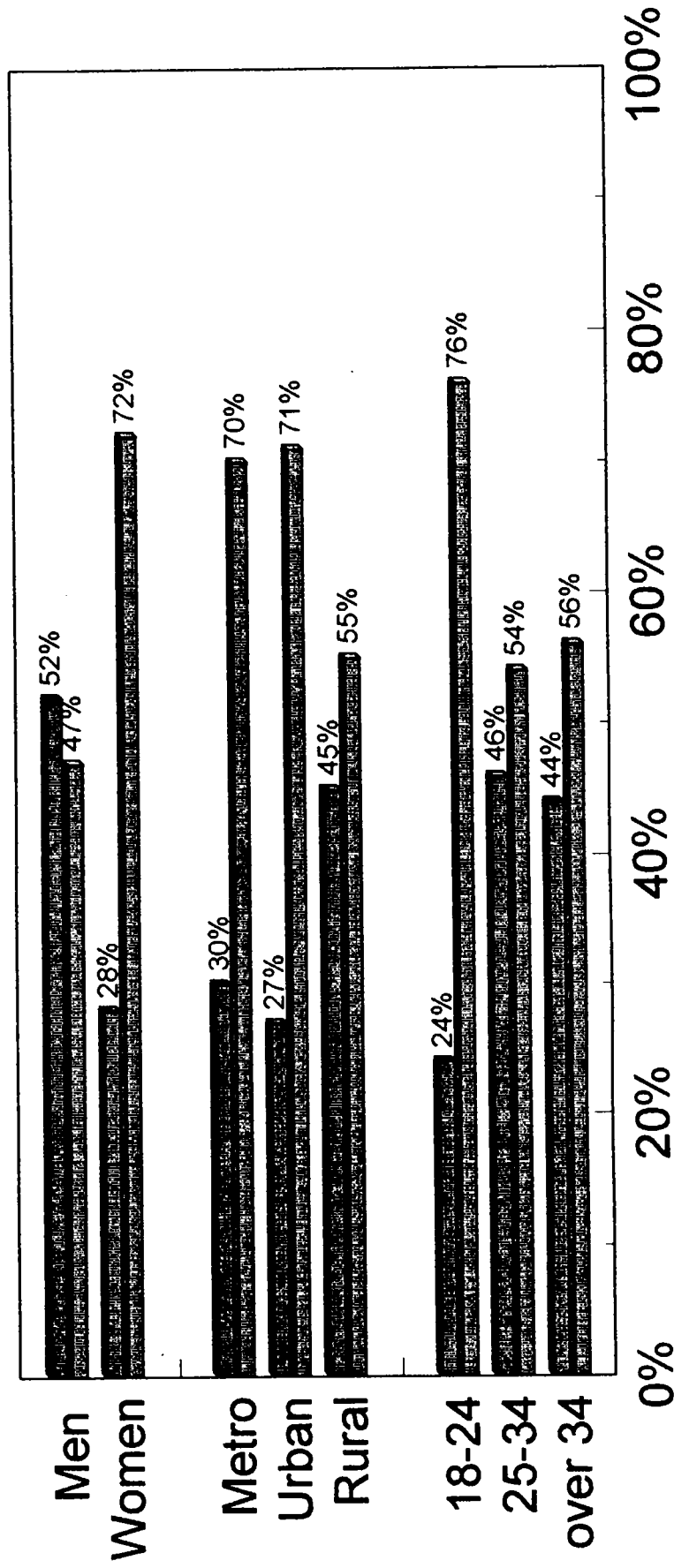
More Than Half of Black and White Registered Voters Don't Know Where to Go to Cast Their Ballot

Do you know where to vote on Election Day?
(among those registered to vote)



Black Women, Metro and Urban Residents and Younger Voters are Less Likely to Know Where to Vote

Do you know where to vote on Election Day?
(among Blacks registered to vote)



☒ know where to vote ☐ don't know where

Solid Majorities of Registered Voters In Every Racial Group Have Not Verified Their Name on the List

Have you checked the voter list for your name?
(among those registered to vote)

