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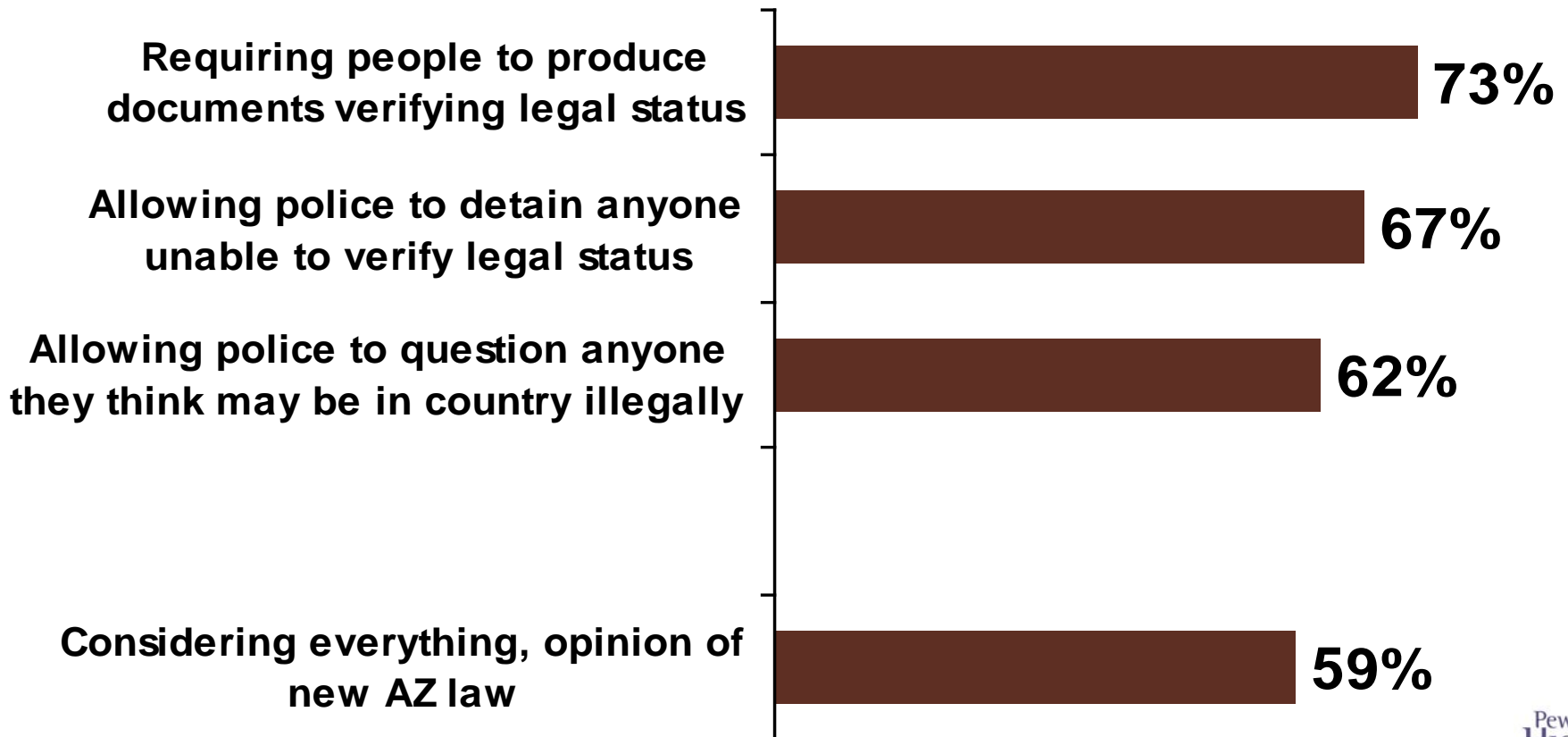
# Immigrants in the U.S.

- **40 million immigrants**
- **11.9 million undocumented (2008)**
- 7 million Mexican origin undocumented immigrants
- 2.7 million undocumented immigrants in CA; 500k in AZ
- 5.5 million children with at least one undocumented parent

# Widespread Support for Arizona's Law's Elements

The state of Arizona recently passed a law dealing with illegal immigration. As I describe some parts of the law, tell me if you approve or disapprove of each?

Percent of adults who say they "approve".

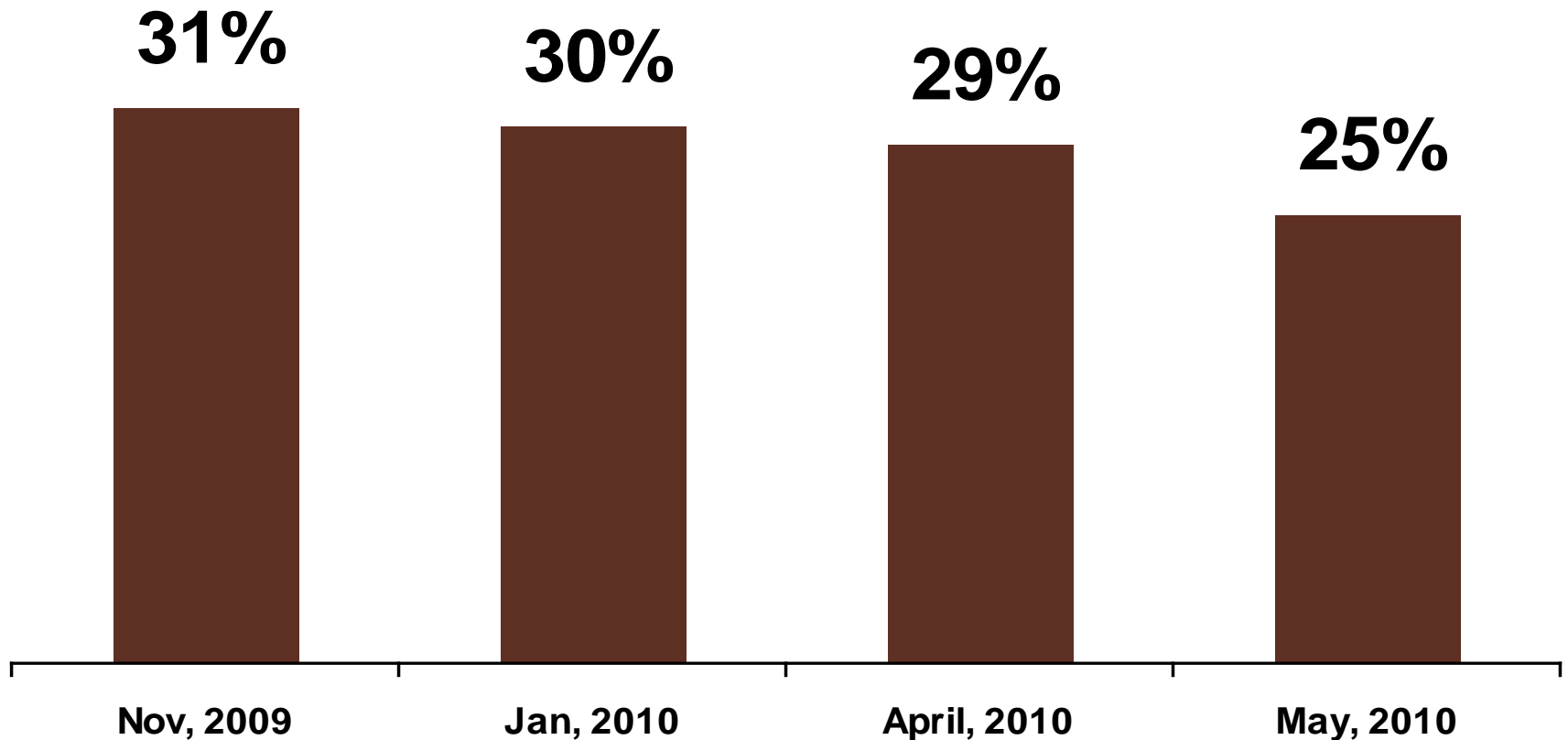


Source: Pew Research Center May 6-9, 2010.

# Obama's Approval Ratings on Immigration Policy

Share who approve of Obama's job handling immigration policy

Percent of adults who say they "approve".



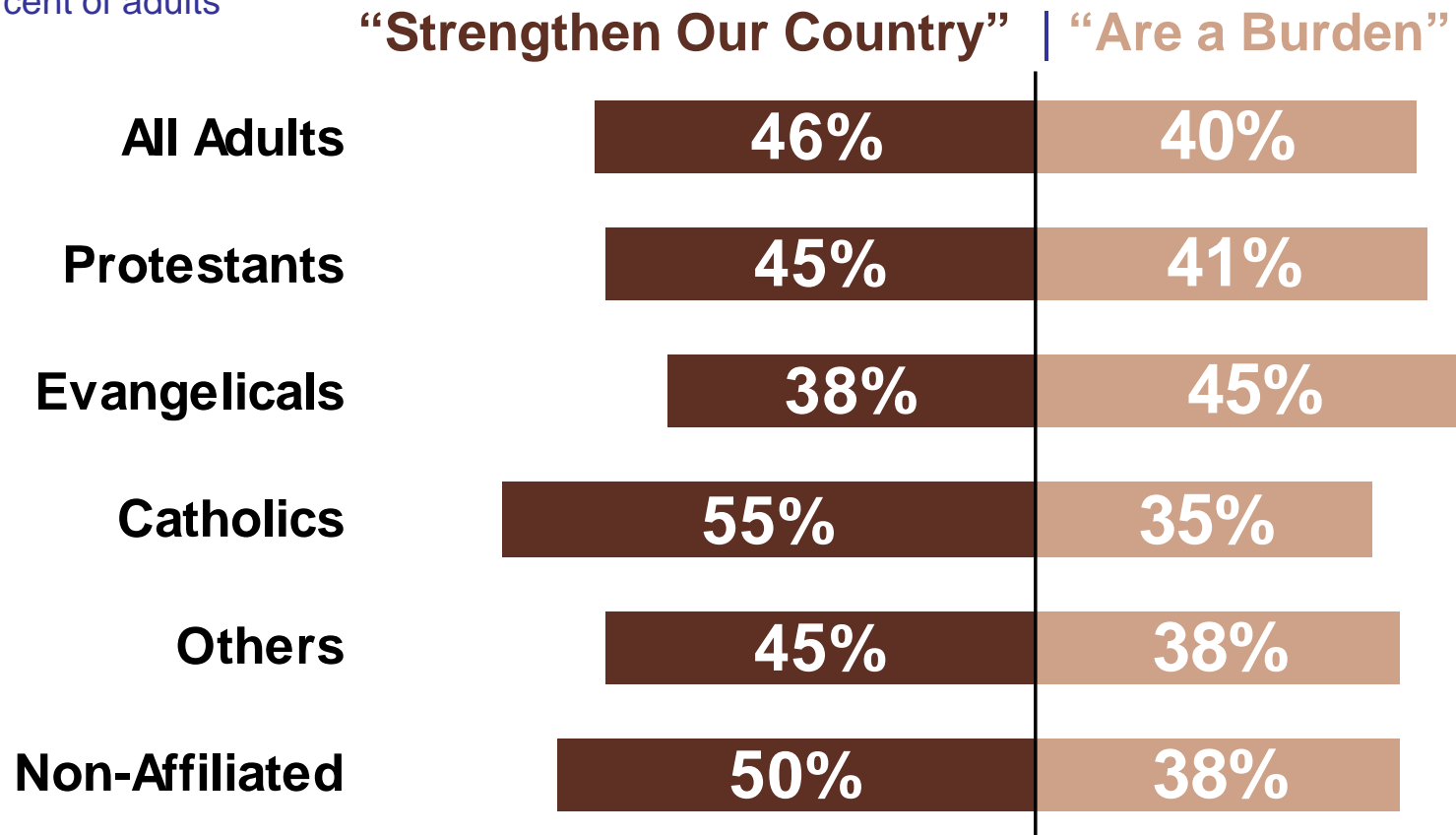
Source: Pew Research Center surveys, November 2009 to May 2010

# Immigrants...Strength or Burden?

Which of these two statements comes closer to your own views – even if neither is exactly right.

1. Immigrants today strengthen our country because of their hard work and talents OR
2. Immigrants today are a burden on our country because they take our jobs, housing and health care?

Percent of adults



# Support for Pathway to Citizenship, 2009

Thinking about immigrants who are currently living in the U.S. illegally...Do you favor or oppose providing a way for illegal immigrants currently in the country to gain legal citizenship if they pass background checks, pay fines and have jobs?

Percent of adults who say they "favor" providing a pathway to citizenship.

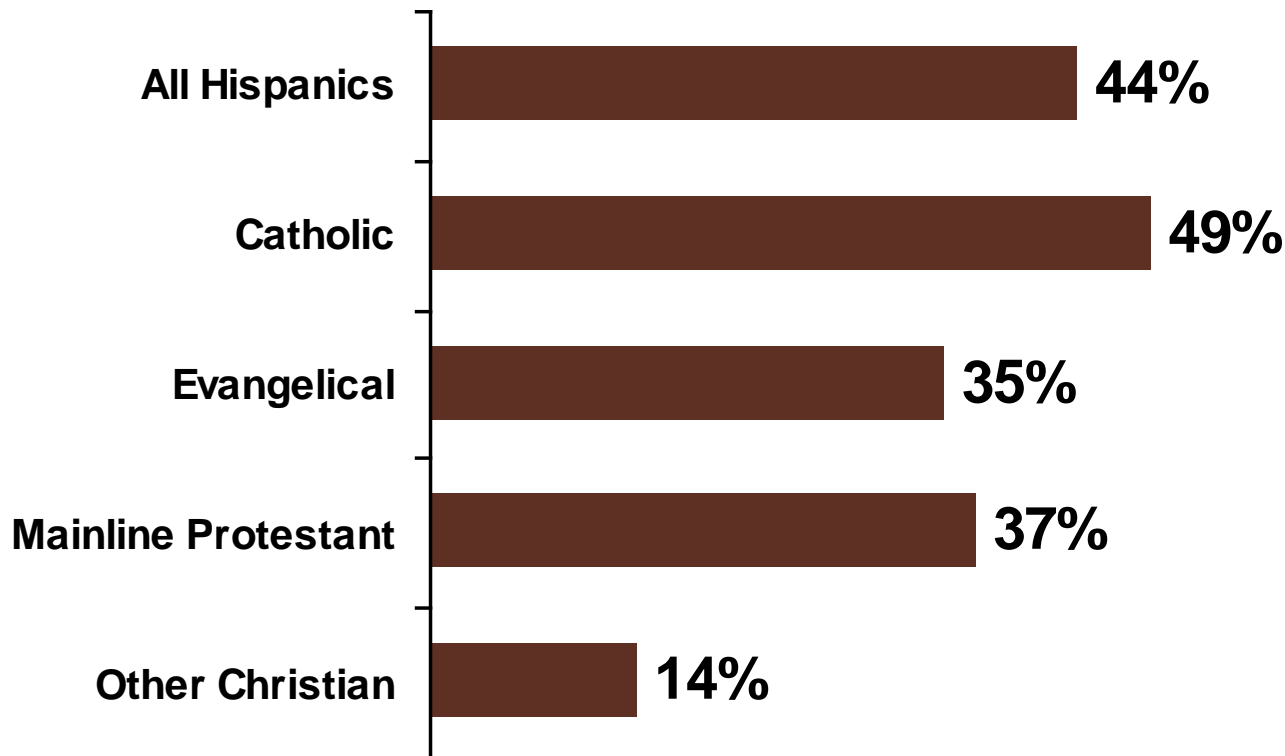


Source: Pew Research Center April 2009 Political Values Survey.

# What Hispanics Were Hearing in Church (2007)

**Does the clergy at your place of worship ever speak out about laws regarding immigration?**

Percent of Hispanic churchgoers saying “yes”.



Source: Pew Hispanic Center “Changing Faiths: Latinos and the Transformation of American Religion”, 2007.



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# About the Center

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- PHC established in 2001
- Founding director: Roberto Suro
- Funded by The Pew Charitable Trusts
- A part of the Pew Research Center
- Purpose is to improve understanding of the diverse Hispanic population in the U.S. and to chronicle the growing impact of this population on the U.S.
- “Fact tank,” not a think tank