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## Surveying Attitudes & Priorities

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Houston, Texas  
September 24, 2009

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## Keypad Polling

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Individual Feedback about  
Critical Issues & Priorities

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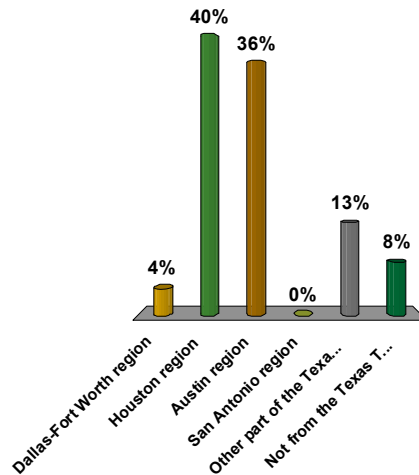
# Background

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## I am most involved in:

- Dallas-Fort Worth region
- Houston region
- Austin region
- San Antonio region
- Other part of the Texas Triangle
- Not from the Texas Triangle

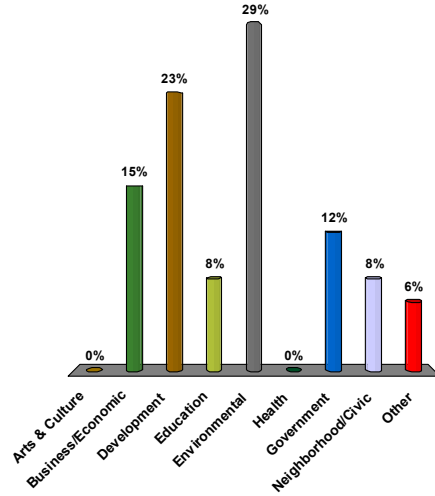


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### My primary stakeholder interest is:

1. Arts & Culture
2. Business/Economic
3. Development
4. Education
5. Environmental
6. Health
7. Government
8. Neighborhood/Civic
9. Other

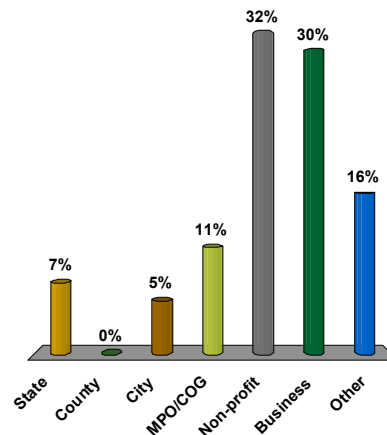


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### The organization I work with is:

- State
- County
- City
- MPO/COG
- Non-profit
- Business
- Other



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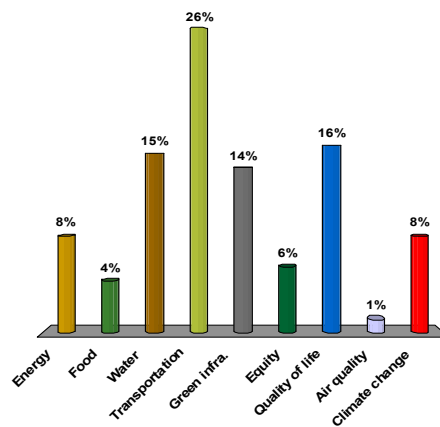
## Issue Priorities

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I am most interested in ... (vote for your first, second and third choices)

1. Energy
2. Food
3. Water
4. Transportation
5. Green infra.
6. Equity
7. Quality of life
8. Air quality
9. Climate change

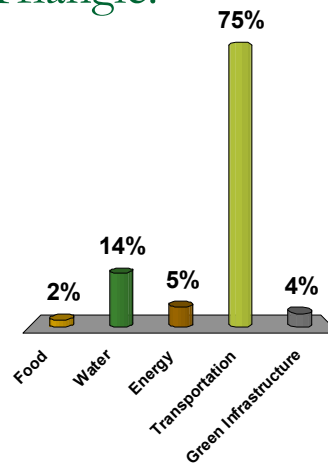


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### Which topic has the best chance for collaboration in the Texas Triangle?

- 1. Food
- 2. Water
- 3. Energy
- 4. Transportation
- 5. Green Infrastructure

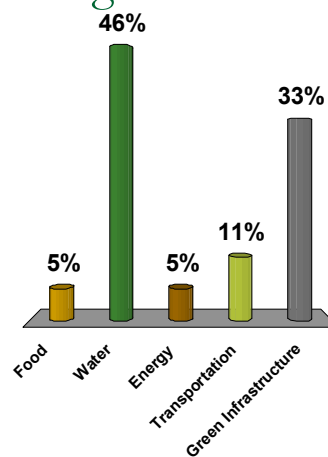


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### Which topic has the greatest challenge for collaboration in the Texas Triangle?

- 1. Food
- 2. Water
- 3. Energy
- 4. Transportation
- 5. Green Infrastructure

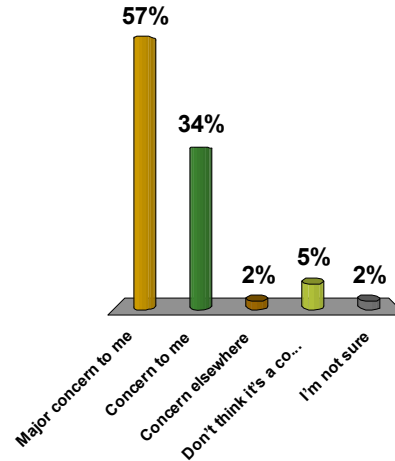


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## Does global climate degradation concern you?

1. Major concern to me
2. Concern to me
3. Concern elsewhere
4. Don't think it's a concern
5. I'm not sure



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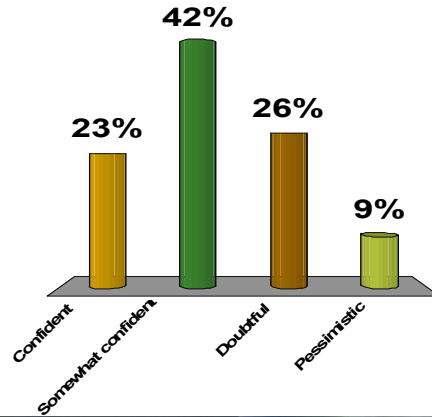
## How confident are you about the Texas Triangle's ability to successfully address these concerns?

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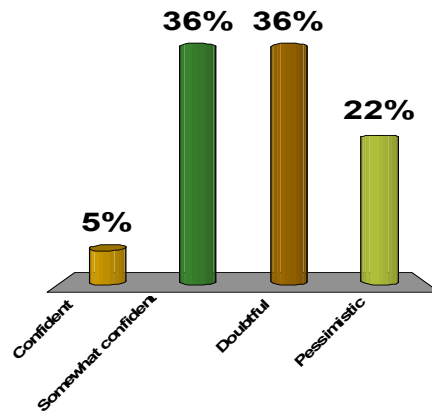
Provide safe and healthy food for a growing population.

- 1. Confident
- 2. Somewhat confident
- 3. Doubtful
- 4. Pessimistic



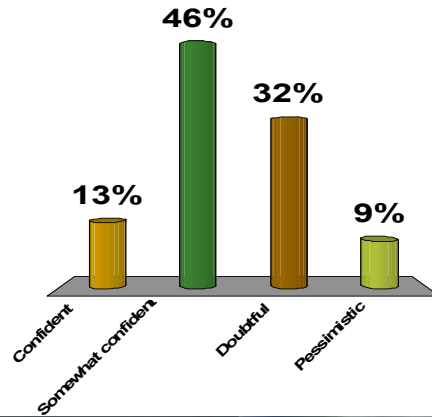
Manage its water resources sustainably.

- 1. Confident
- 2. Somewhat confident
- 3. Doubtful
- 4. Pessimistic



### Provide safe & adequate drinking water for a growing population.

- 1. Confident
- 2. Somewhat confident
- 3. Doubtful
- 4. Pessimistic

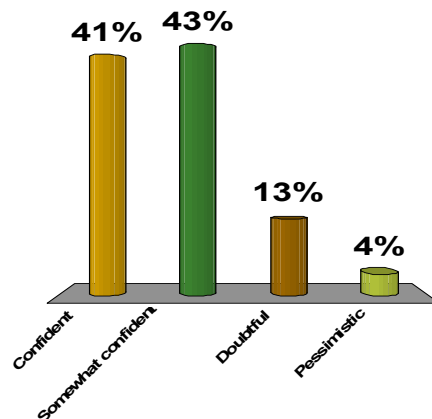


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### Meet its future energy needs.

- 1. Confident
- 2. Somewhat confident
- 3. Doubtful
- 4. Pessimistic

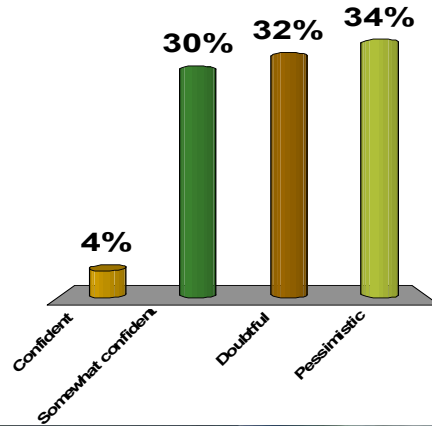


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## Retain important natural areas.

- 1. Confident
- 2. Somewhat confident
- 3. Doubtful
- 4. Pessimistic

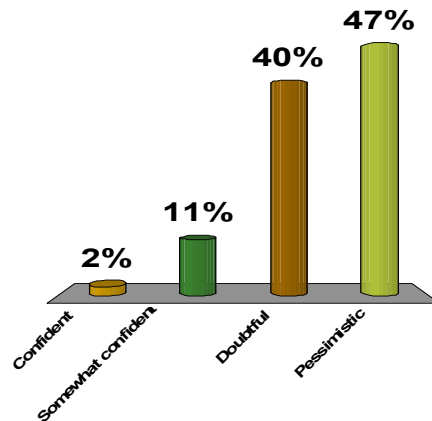


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## Cut greenhouse gases significantly in the next decade.

- 1. Confident
- 2. Somewhat confident
- 3. Doubtful
- 4. Pessimistic

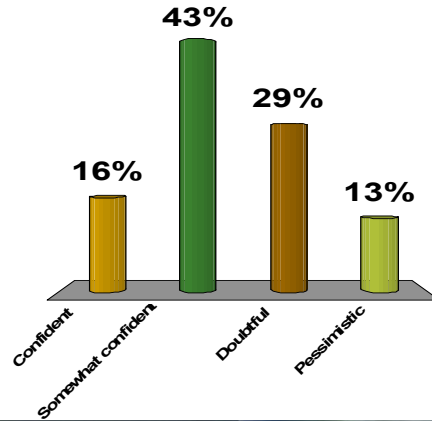


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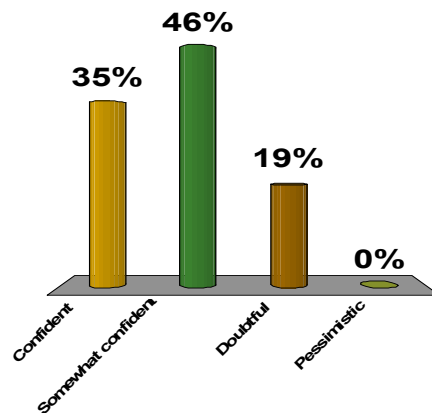
Create a connected open space & trail system.

- 1. Confident
- 2. Somewhat confident
- 3. Doubtful
- 4. Pessimistic



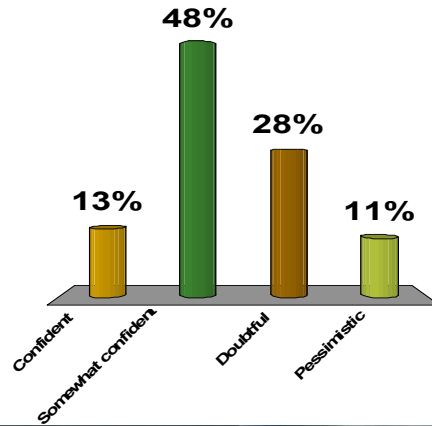
Create a shared vision for high speed rail.

- 1. Confident
- 2. Somewhat confident
- 3. Doubtful
- 4. Pessimistic



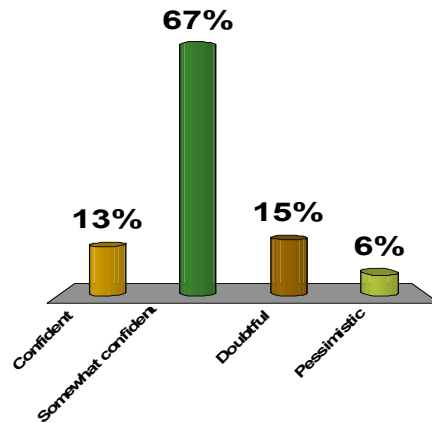
### Meet the transportation needs of a growing population.

- 1. Confident
- 2. Somewhat confident
- 3. Doubtful
- 4. Pessimistic



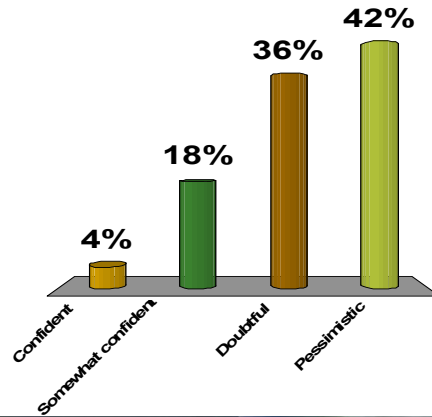
### Provide transportation to support economic growth.

- 1. Confident
- 2. Somewhat confident
- 3. Doubtful
- 4. Pessimistic



## Improve social and economic equity.

1. Confident
2. Somewhat confident
3. Doubtful
4. Pessimistic

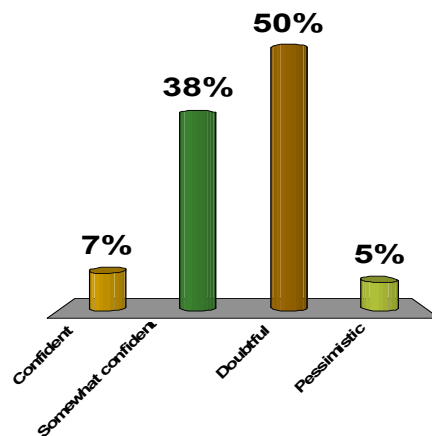


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## Address the interests of an increasingly diverse population.

1. Confident
2. Somewhat confident
3. Doubtful
4. Pessimistic

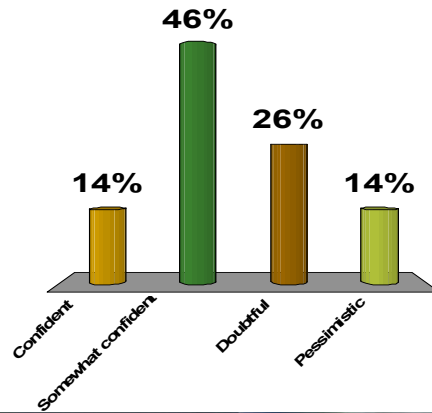


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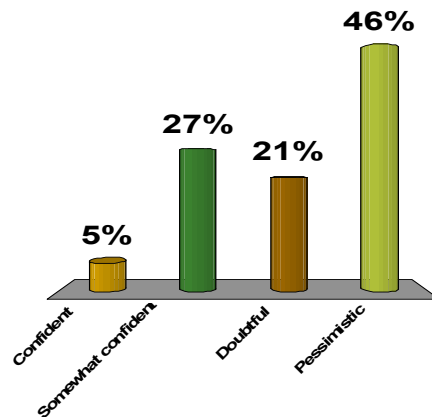
### Create a shared megaregional vision and agenda.

- 1. Confident
- 2. Somewhat confident
- 3. Doubtful
- 4. Pessimistic



### Build support in the Legislature for investment in these urban areas.

- 1. Confident
- 2. Somewhat confident
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- 4. Pessimistic



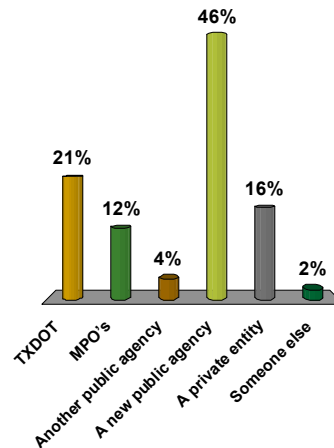
## Action on High Speed Rail

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### Who should take the lead on high speed rail?

1. TXDOT
2. MPO's
3. Another public agency
4. A new public agency
5. A private entity
6. Someone else

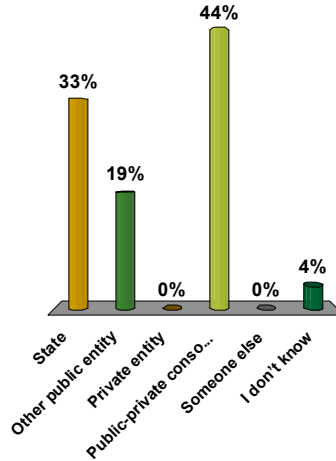


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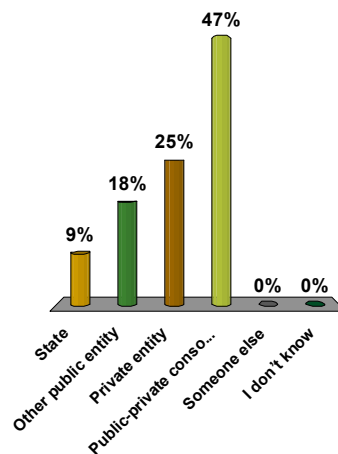
### Who should build & own this infrastructure?

- 1. State
- 2. Other public entity
- 3. Private entity
- 4. Public-private consortium
- 5. Someone else
- 6. I don't know



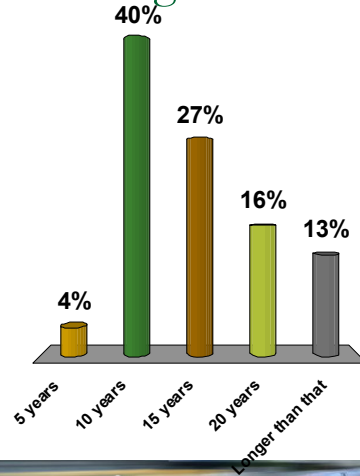
### Who should provide & operate the high speed rail service?

- 1. State
- 2. Other public entity
- 3. Private entity
- 4. Public-private consortium
- 5. Someone else
- 6. I don't know



### How soon do you think we could have high speed rail in the Texas Triangle?

1. 5 years
2. 10 years
3. 15 years
4. 20 years
5. Longer than that

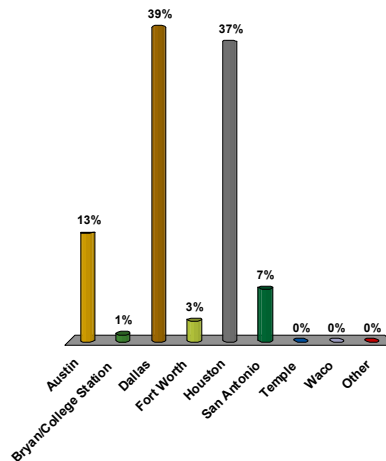


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### Which two regions should we connect first?

1. Austin
2. Bryan/College Station
3. Dallas
4. Fort Worth
5. Houston
6. San Antonio
7. Temple
8. Waco
9. Other



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Thank you!

The polling results will be discussed  
during our sessions tomorrow.

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