

# Hunter Perspectives About Chronic Wasting Disease and Management: Preliminary Survey Results

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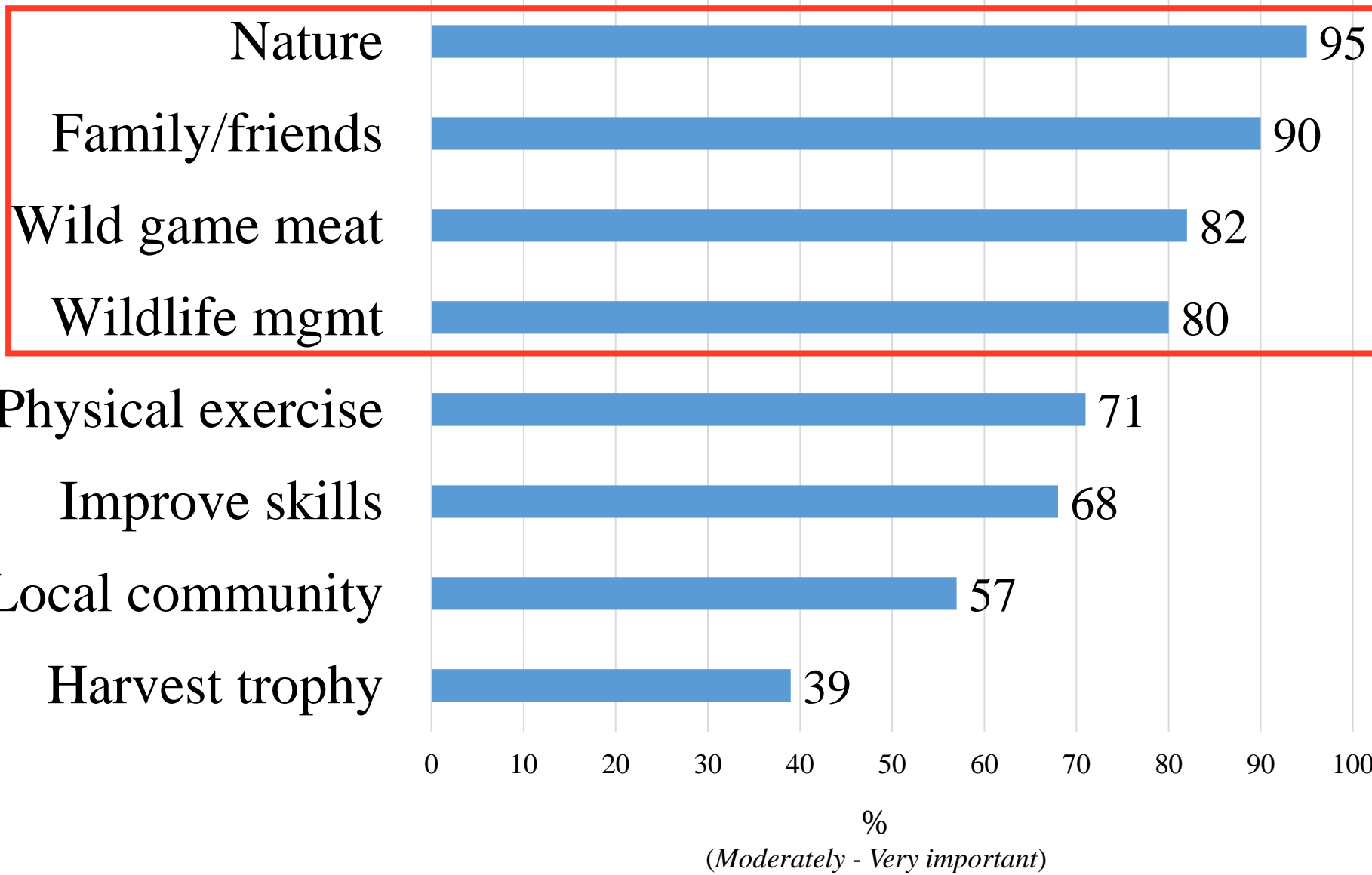
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# Substantive Findings

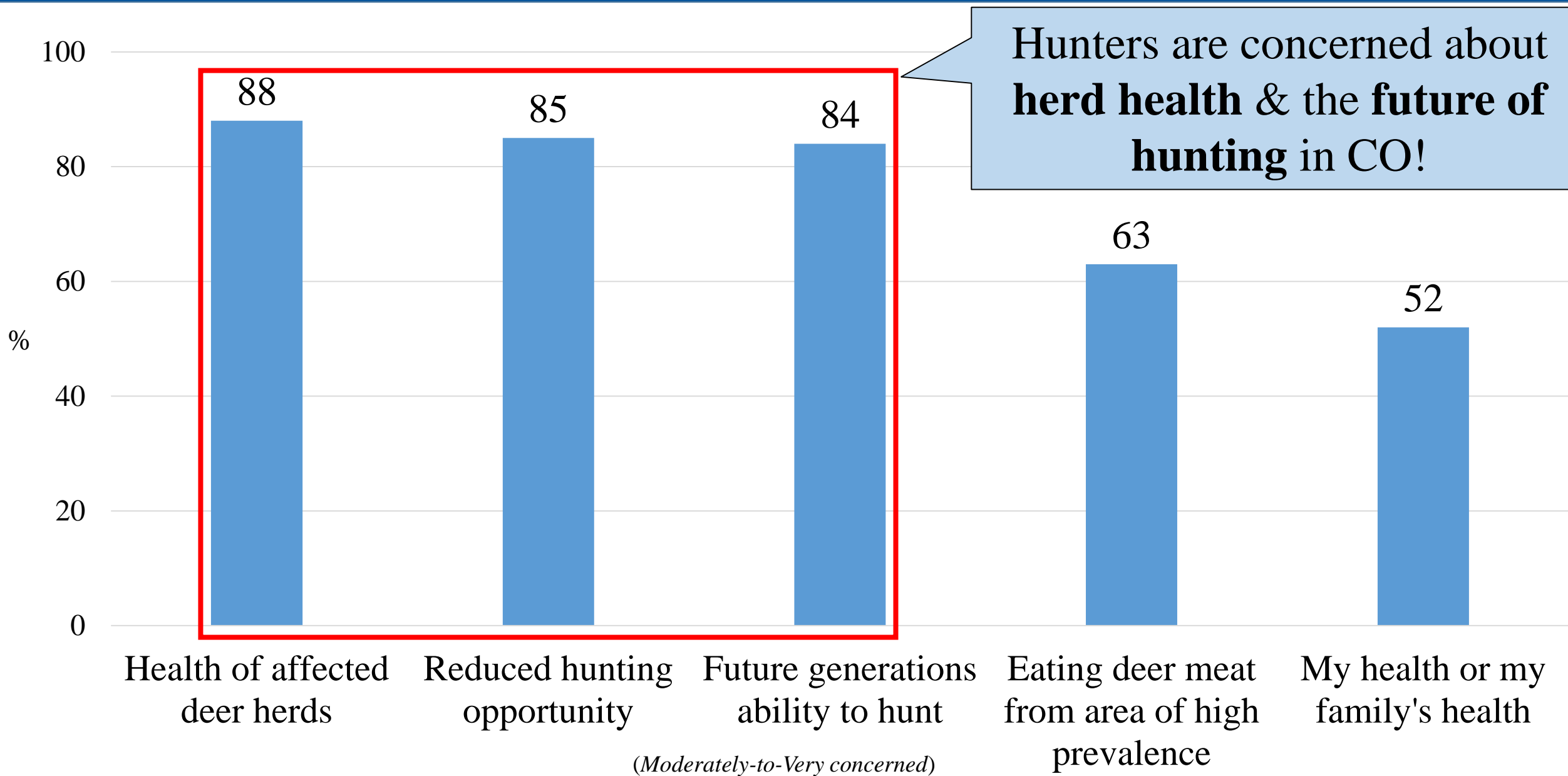
- ❖ Hunters are concerned about CWD and **strongly support** taking action to combat it
- ❖ Hunters prefer we **balance** hunting opportunity & disease control...*but want CPW to err on side of control*
- ❖ We stand to **lose hunters** in affected areas if prevalence increases

# Hunter Motivations



**Hunting for  
a variety of  
reasons!**

# Concerns with CWD



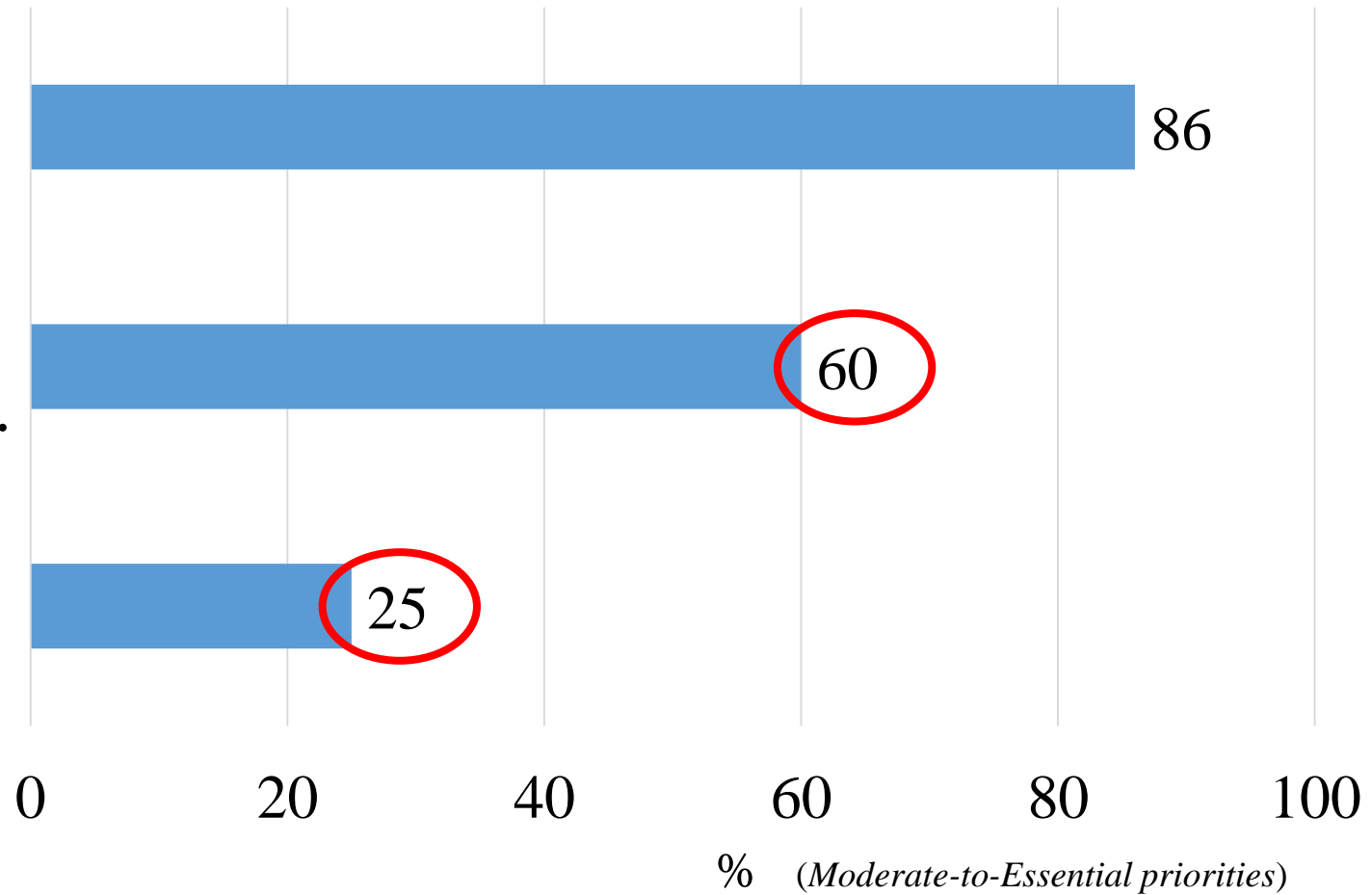
# CPW Priorities

Hunters want CPW to **balance** herd health & hunting opportunity...  
*but more support for prioritizing...herd health than “quality” hunts!*

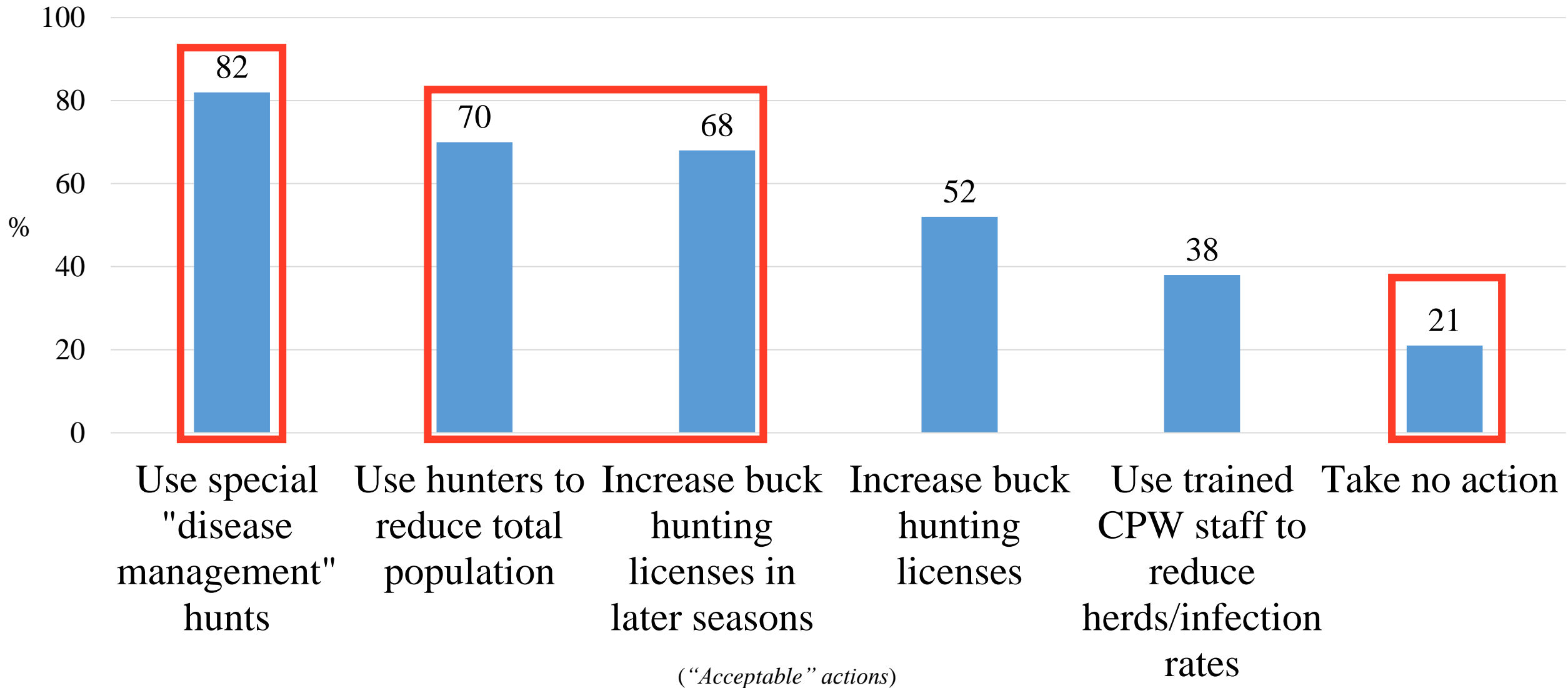
Strike balance between controlling disease & hunting opportunity

**Minimize** effects of CWD on herd health regardless of how it effects...

**Maximize** quality deer hunting opportunities (trophy bucks)...

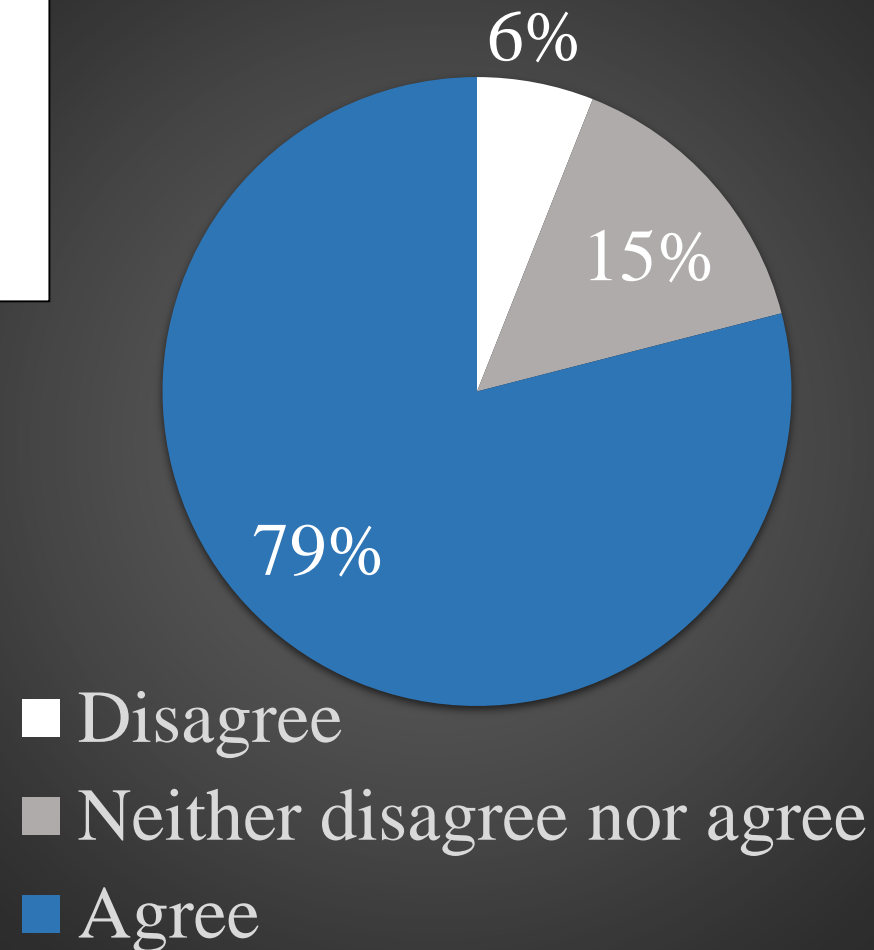


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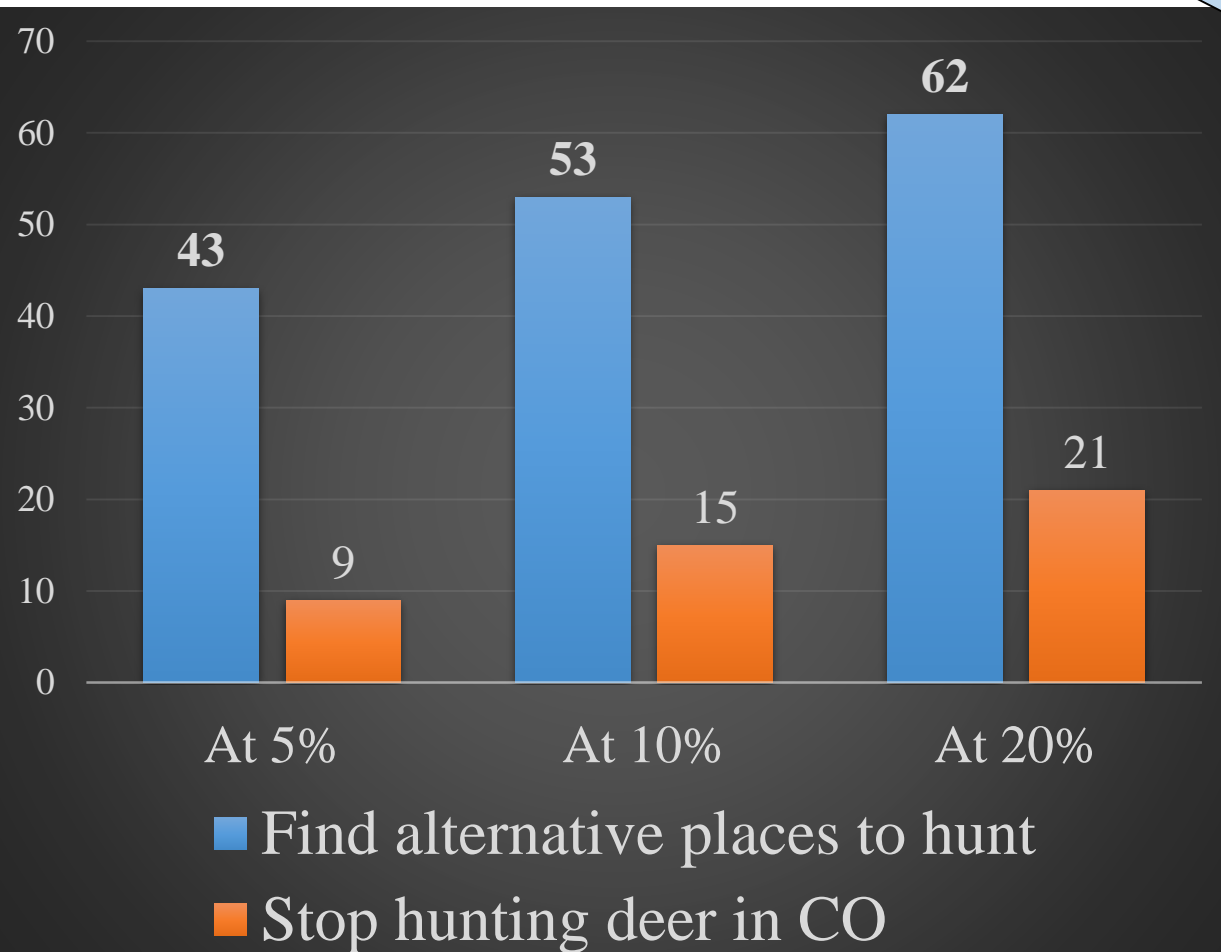
*“Effort should be taken to reduce the rate of CWD in deer populations”*



# Hunting Behavior

Hunters are more likely to **find alternative places to hunt** and **stop hunting** altogether as prevalence increases!

## Low Prevalence



## High Prevalence

