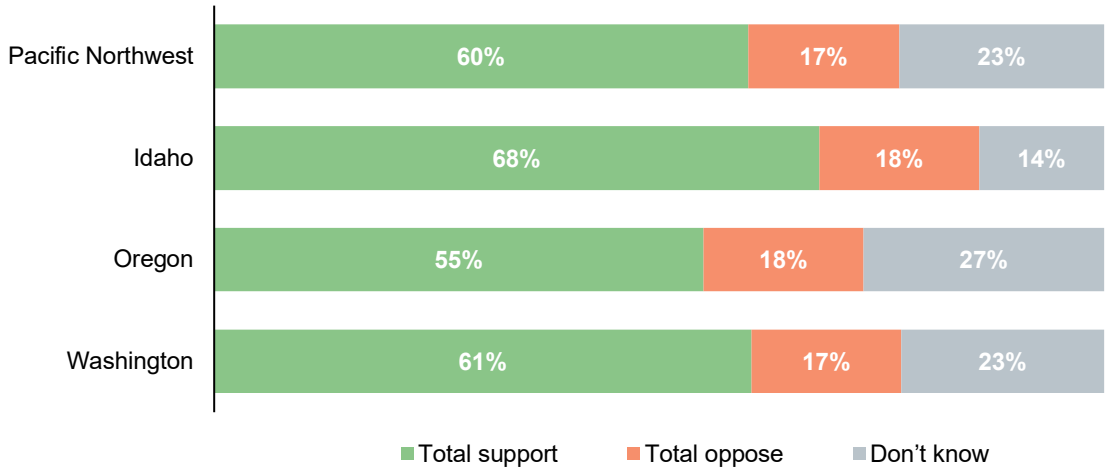
METHODOLOGY

This analysis highlights the findings of an online survey of N=1,200 Washington, Oregon, and Idaho residents (n=400 in each) conducted from July 26–August 3, 2021. Quotas and weighting were used to ensure representativeness in each state by nested age and gender, race/ethnicity, education, and area of the state. For the total Pacific Northwest results, weights were used to adjust to reflect the population of each state as a part of the region. The margin of error for the N=1,200 sample is +/- 2.8% at a 95% confidence level; the margin of error for the n=400 sample is +/- 4.9% at the 95% confidence level. The margin of error is higher for subgroups.

STRONG MAJORITIES OF PACIFIC NORTHWEST RESIDENTS SUPPORT THE PRODUCTION OF ELECTRICITY FROM THE LOWER SNAKE RIVER DAMS

A clear majority of 60% of the region's residents indicate support for "the use of hydroelectric dams on the lower Snake River to produce electricity," while 17% oppose said use, and 23% don't know.

Do you support or oppose the use of hydroelectric dams on the lower Snake River to produce electricity?



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SUPPORT FOR THE SNAKE RIVER DAMS CLEARLY OUTPACES OPPOSITION IN ALL KEY SUBGROUPS BY SELF-IDENTIFIED PARTISANSHIP AND GEOGRAPHY IN IDAHO, OREGON, AND WASHINGTON

Within each state, support for the Snake River Dams is strong and outpaces opposition in all key subgroups by self-reported political affiliation and geography.

Do you support or oppose the use of hydroelectric dams on the lower Snake River to produce electricity?

Group	Total support	Total oppose	Don't know
Idaho Democrats	71%	24%	5%
Idaho Republicans	75%	15%	10%
Idaho Independents	60%	19%	22%
Boise Metro	70%	16%	14%
Eastern Idaho	59%	26%	15%
Northern Idaho	71%	16%	14%
Oregon Democrats	52%	19%	29%
Oregon Republicans	67%	13%	21%
Oregon Independents	48%	23%	29%
Tri-County	58%	18%	24%
Willamette Valley	43%	22%	36%
Rest of State	62%	15%	23%
Washington Democrats	63%	19%	19%
Washington Republicans	65%	15%	21%
Washington Independents	56%	16%	29%
King County	61%	19%	20%
Western Washington	57%	17%	26%
Eastern Washington	68%	13%	19%

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SUPPORT FOR THE SNAKE RIVER DAMS IS CONSISTENT WITH THE REGION'S SUPPORT FOR HYDRO POWER OVERALL

Respondents were also asked, "In general, do you support or oppose the use of hydroelectric dams to produce electricity?" Support levels in response to this general question were similar to those from the question asking specifically about the Snake River dams, with nearly three-fourths of Pacific Northwest residents in support.

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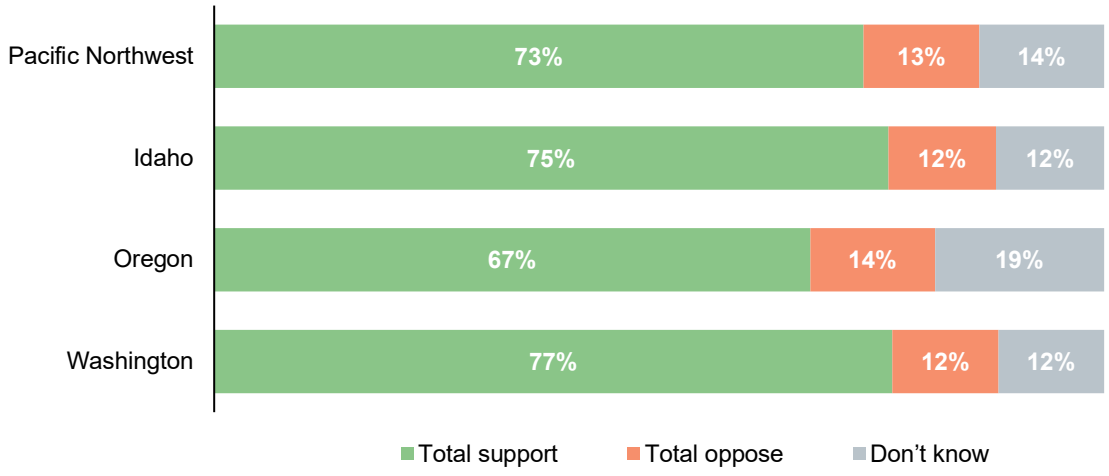

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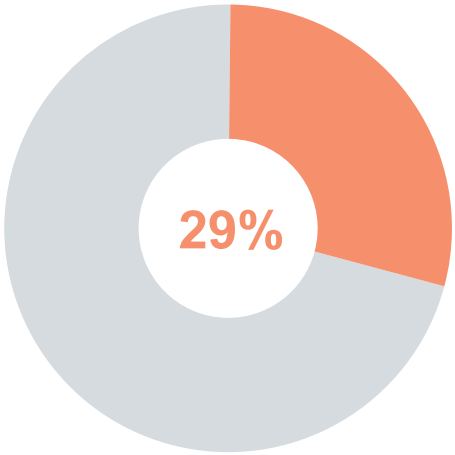
ONLY 29% OF PNW RESIDENTS ALIGN THEIR POINT OF VIEW WITH A STATEMENT CALLING FOR THE REMOVAL OF THE SNAKE RIVER DAMS

Only 29% of Pacific Northwest residents align their point of view with the statement: “The dams on the lower Snake River are a major source of problems for wild salmon, orcas, and other animals. We should make the decision to remove the dams to protect animals and their habitats.” The remainder felt it was important to keep the dams in place or didn’t know.



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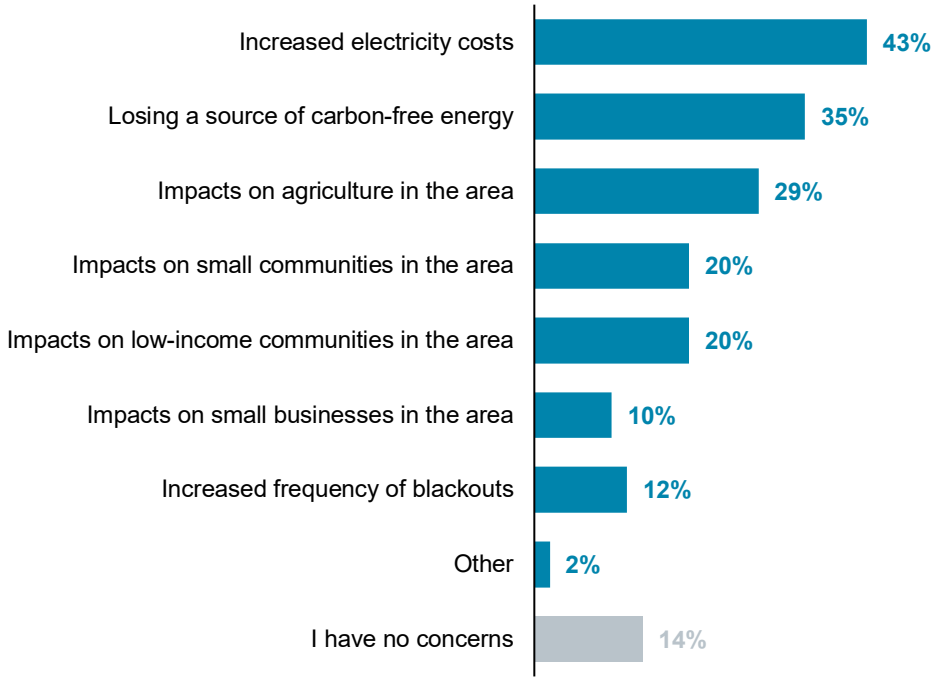
PACIFIC NORTHWEST RESIDENTS EXPRESS CONCERNS ABOUT INCREASED ELECTRICITY COSTS, LOSING A SOURCE OF CARBON-FREE ENERGY, AND IMPACTS ON AGRICULTURE FROM REMOVING THE SNAKE RIVER DAMS

Asked to rank their top two concerns from a list, residents most often highlighted increased electricity costs (43% in top two), losing a source of carbon-free energy (35%), and impacts on agriculture (29%). Only 14% said they had no concerns about the potential removal of the Snake River Dams.

***What are your top two concerns about the removal of the Snake River dams?* (Top two combined)**



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SUMMARY

Pacific Northwest residents largely support the carbon-free energy that hydro power in general, and the Snake River dams specifically, provides the region. They understand the tradeoffs in the debate regarding the proposal by some to remove the Snake River dams and they express concerns about increased electricity costs, losing a carbon-free source of energy, and impacts on agriculture if removal were to go forward.