Taking the Pulse of Arts Advocacy: Poll Results

1. Does your state have TERM LIMITS?

	Yes	No	I Don't Know
Governor	11	5	1
	64.7%	29.4%	5.9%
State legislature	5	9	3
	29.4%	52.9%	17.6%

2. What are some effects of legislative turnover or "churn?" in your state? Do you think it INCREASES or DECREASES:

	Increases	Decreases	Can't Say
Time and effort spent campaigning	12	2	3
	70.6%	11.8%	17.6%
Time and effort spent on policy	7	5	4
	43.8%	31.3%	25.0%
Elected officials' knowledge of government	2 13.3%	10 66.7%	3 20.0%
Elected officials' knowledge of the arts	0	12	4
	0.0%	75.0%	25.0%
Influence of lobbyists	10	2	4
	62.5%	12.5%	25.0%
Influence of campaign \$ contributors	11	1	4
	68.8%	6.3%	25.0%

3. Please mark the one choice below that best represents YOUR OWN personal political inclinations. All answers will remain anonymous.

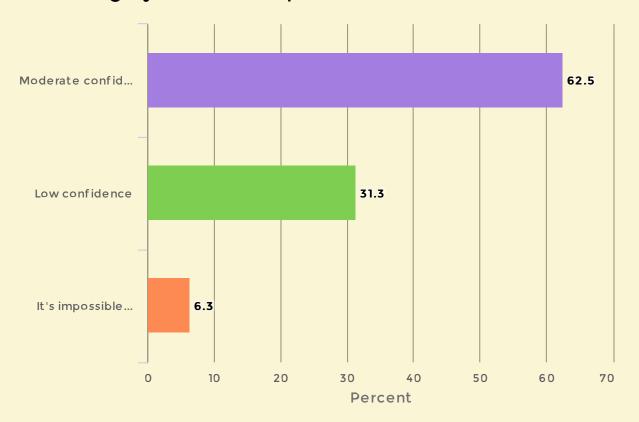
5% I usually hold conservative and progressive ws in equal measure:



Value	Percent	Count
I usually hold conservative views on most issues	0.0%	0
I usually hold progressive views on most issues	87.5%	14
I usually hold conservative and progressive views in equal measure	12.5%	2
I don't identify with the terms "conservative" or "progressive"	0.0%	0
I prefer not to answer	0.0%	0

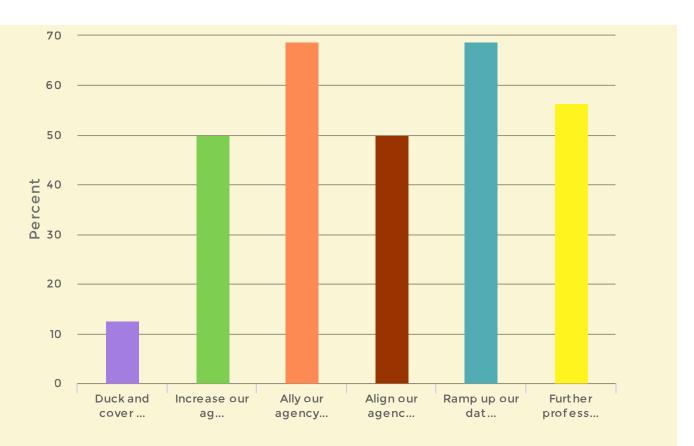
Total 16

4. What is your level of confidence in your agency's ability to thrive in a highly POLARIZED political environment?



Value	Percent		Count
Moderate confidence	62.5%		10
Low confidence	31.3%		5
It's impossible to say	6.3%		1
		Total	16

5. What STRATEGIES do you think might best serve state arts agencies in a highly polarized political environment? Mark all with which you agree:



Value	Percent	Count
Duck and cover until the storm passes	12.5%	2
Increase our agency's visibility	50.0%	8
Ally our agency with those in power	68.8%	11
Align our agency's messages with values across the political spectrum	50.0%	8
Ramp up our data and evidence	68.8%	11
Further professionalize arts lobbying/advocacy	56.3%	9