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**South Korean Public's Perception  
on North Korea's provocations  
- UNSCR 1874 PoE meeting -**

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# MISSION STATEMENT

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# ASAN NUCLEAR POLICY AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER (ANPTC)

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- Established in June 2012

<http://www.asaninst.org/center/eng/index.php?c=ANPTC>

- NSGEG (Nuclear Security Governance Experts Group): established in collaboration with the Stanley Foundation and PSG in August 2012, <http://www.nsggeg.org/>
- Asan Nuclear Forum 2013 (19-20 Feb 2013): <http://www.asannuclearforum.org/>
- NSGEG roll-out events at the Hague and Vienna (March, 2013)  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9ThZJapjO0E>
- FMWG international partner (22 May 2013)
- Knowledge Summit (NGO summit): co-organizer of the official side event for the Hague Nuclear Security Summit 2014

# PUBLIC OPINION STUDIES CENTER

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The Public Opinion Studies Center at the Asan Institute conducts public opinion surveys on a range of issues vital to South Korea's security, politics, and culture. Its reports are distributed around the world to government, media, and analysts and it is quickly becoming one of the most trusted sources for public opinion analysis in South Korea.



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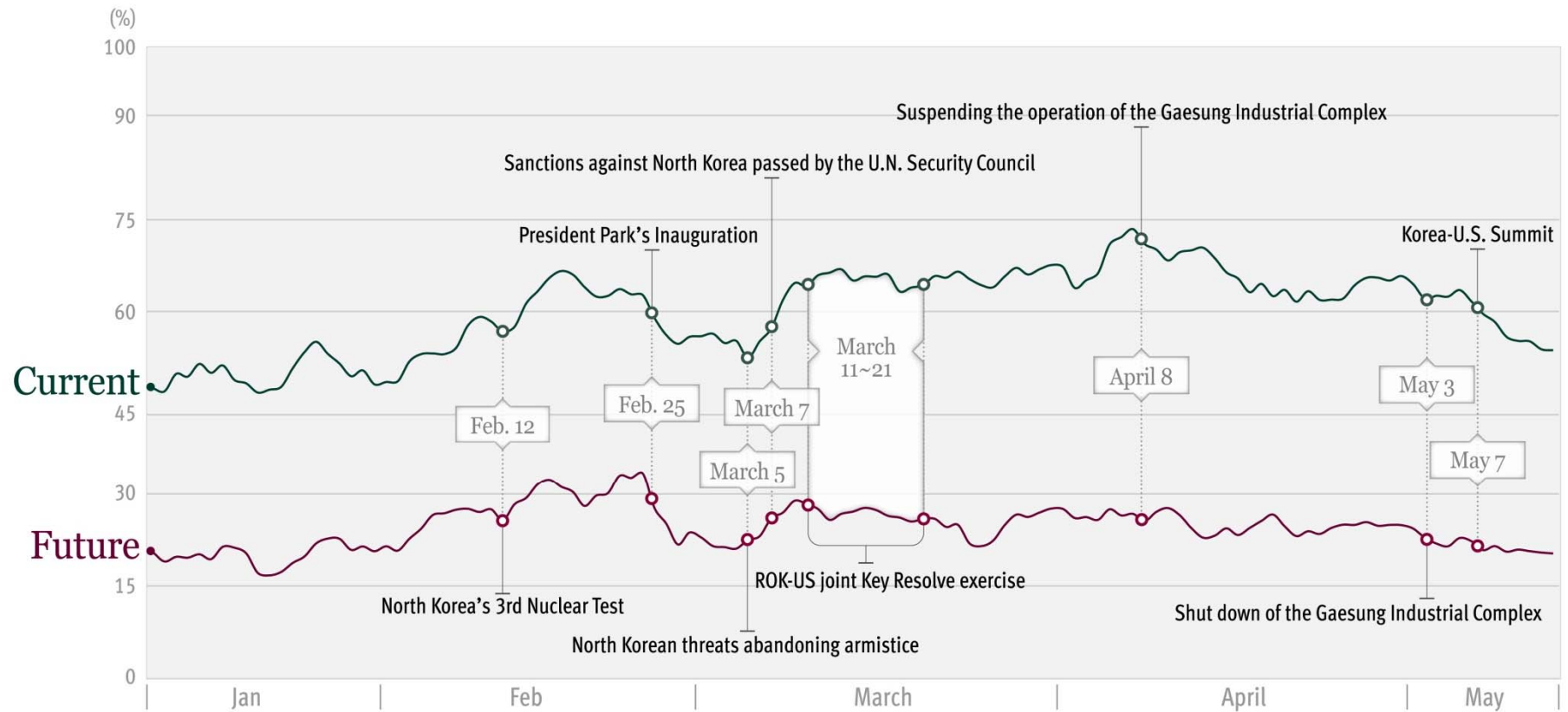
# ASAN DAILY SURVEY

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- The survey uses the three-day rolling average, and employs RDD for mobile and landline phones.
- The sample size for each is 1,000.
- The margin of error is  $\pm 3.1\%$  at the 95% confidence level.

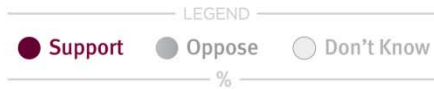
## NEGATIVE PERCEPTIONS OF NATIONAL SECURITY: January to May 2013





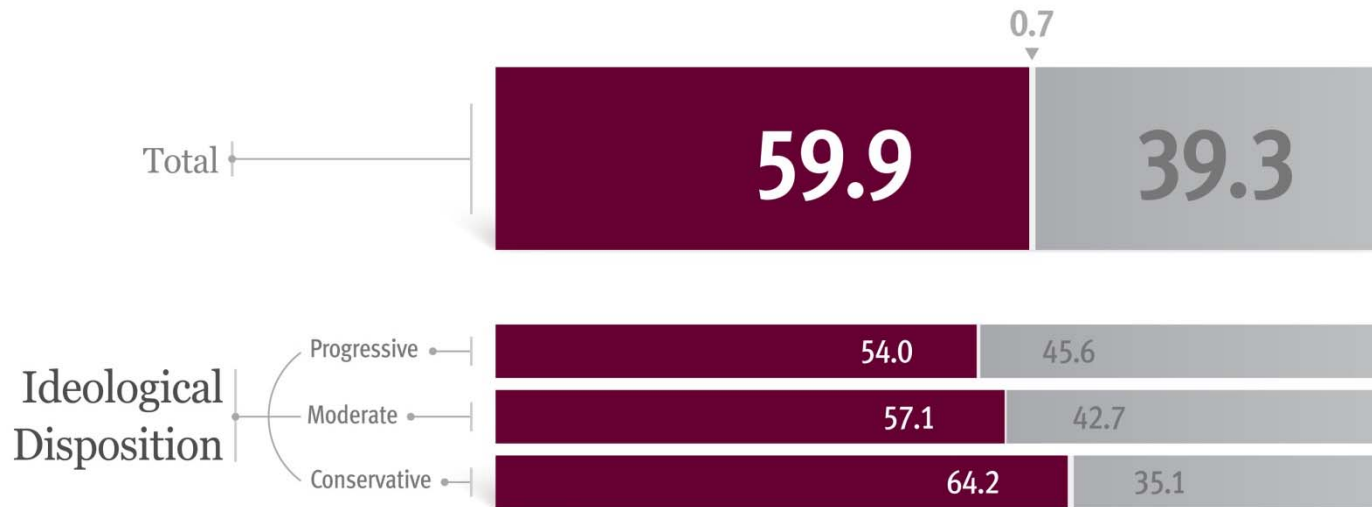
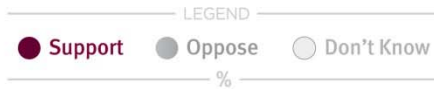
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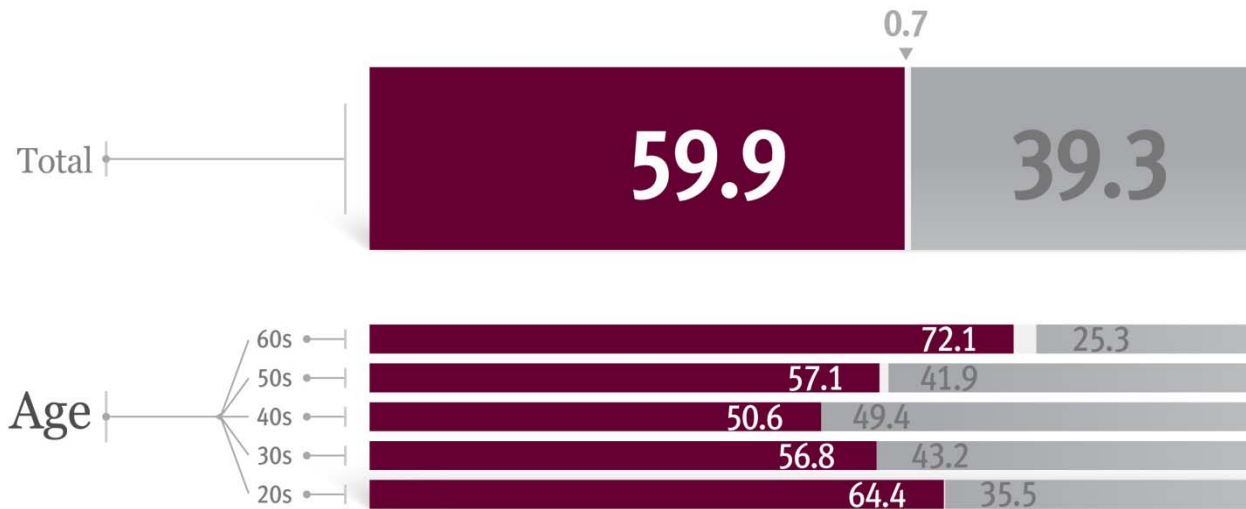
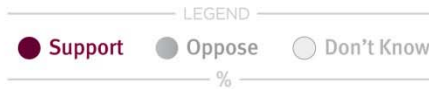
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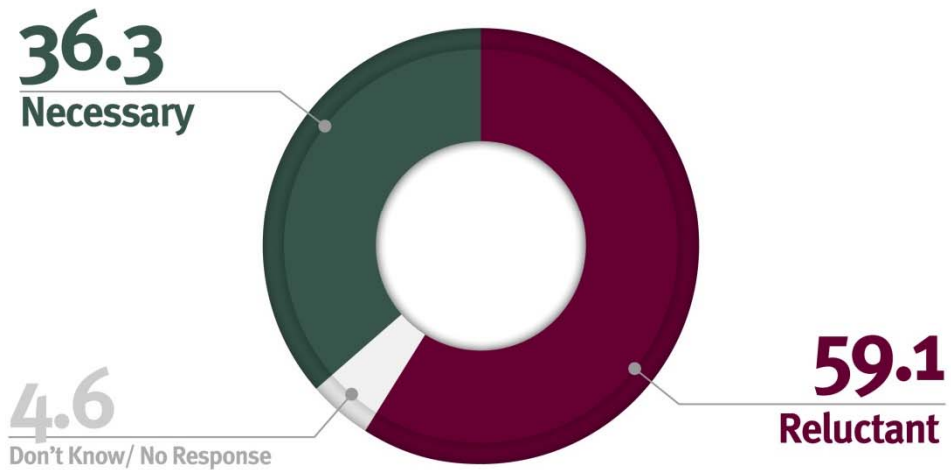
Do you feel threatened by North Korea's nuclear test?



## Preemptive Strike on Nuclear Test Site

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In responding to the nuclear Threat of North Korea,  
What do you think of a preemptive strike on North Korea’s nuclear test site?  
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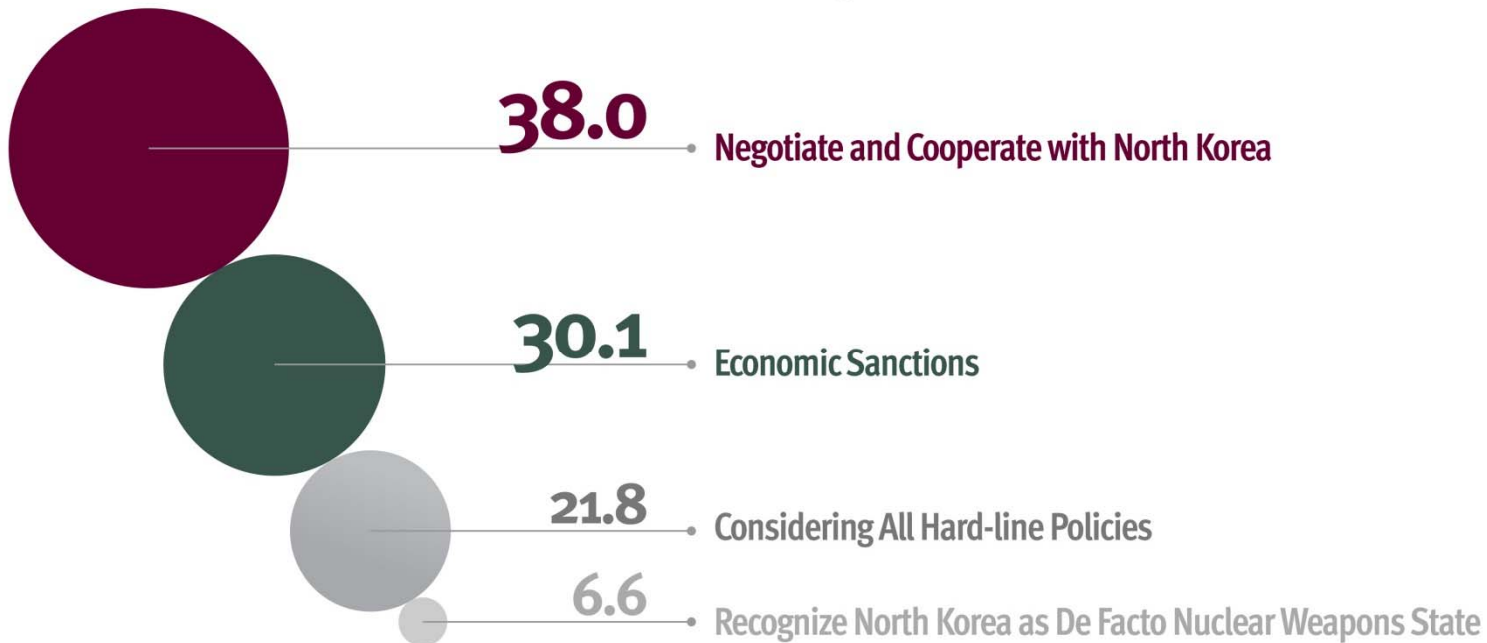
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## Opinions on South Korean Government Response

—“—  
What stance should South Korea take in responding to North Korea’s nuclear test?  
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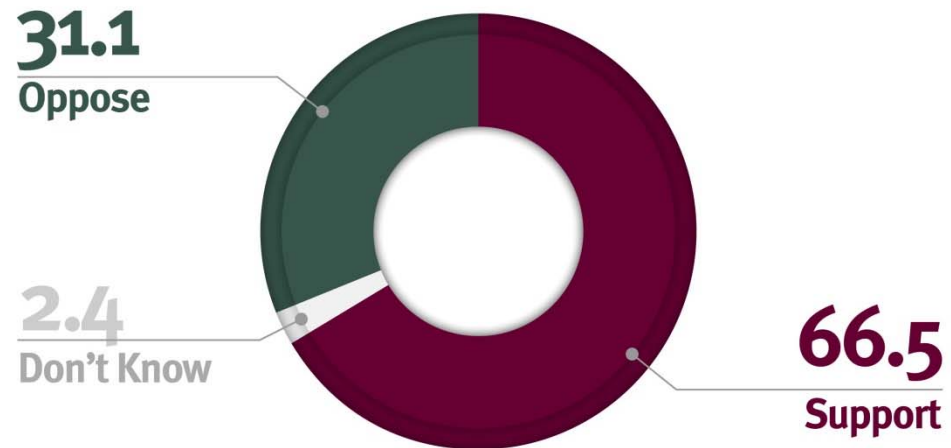
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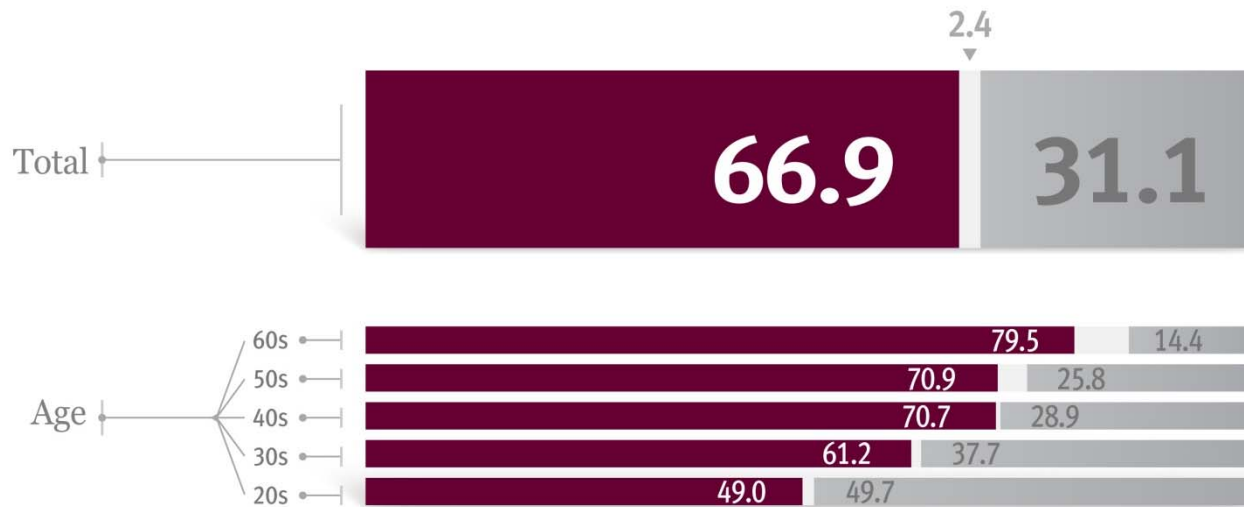
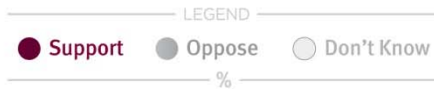
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Do you think South Korea should develop nuclear weapons?  
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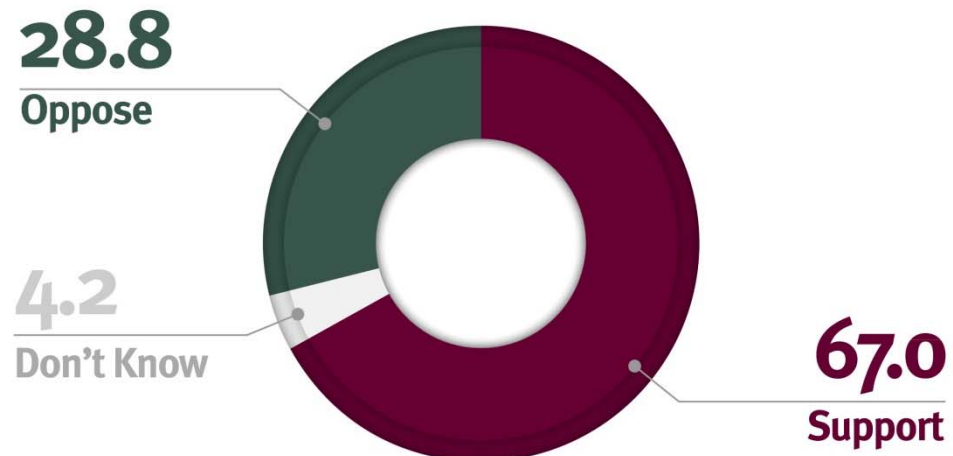
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## Tactical Nuclear Weapons

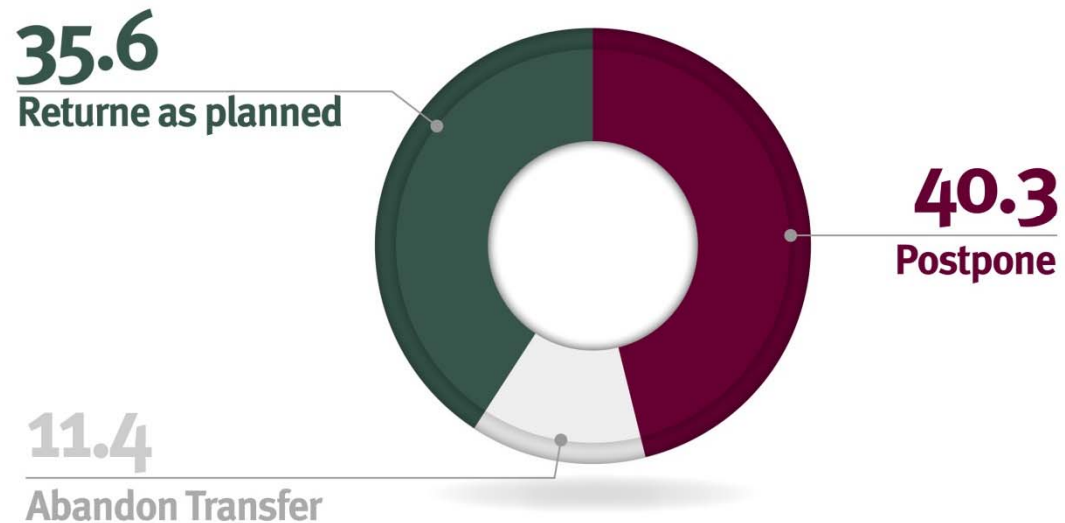
—“—  
Do you support or oppose the return of U.S. tactical nuclear weapons to South Korea?  
—”—





## Transfer of Operational Control

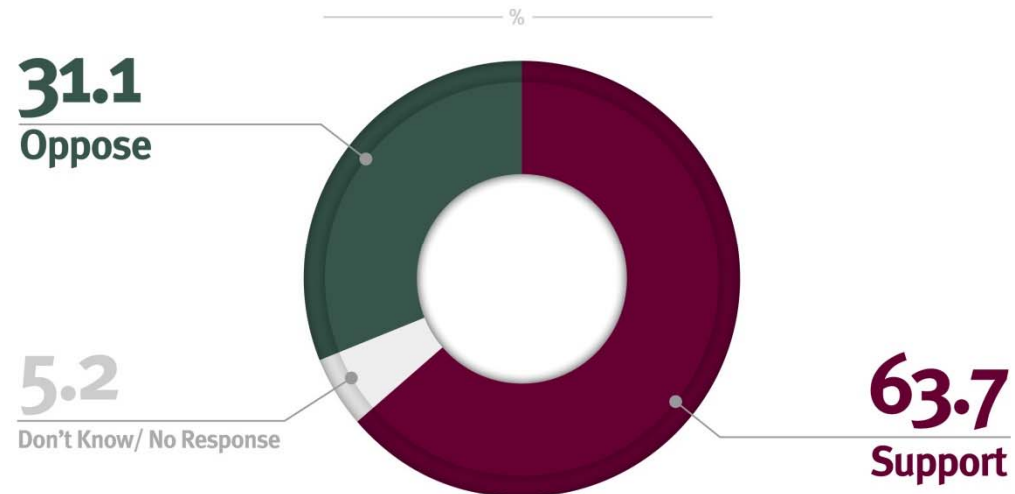
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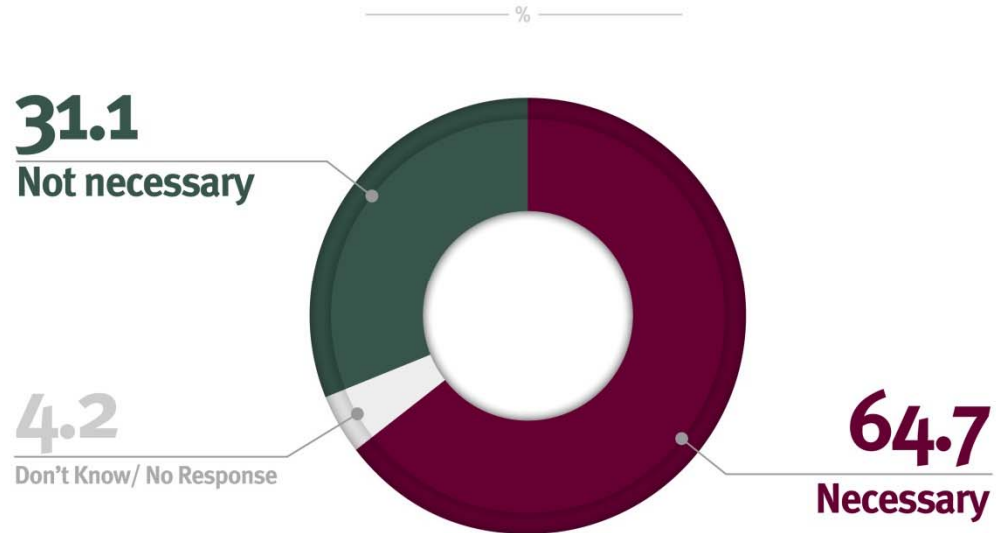
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## Necessity of ROK-Japan Military Cooperation

Is military cooperation between South Korea and Japan, such as GSOMIA, Necessary to better deal with the nuclear threat posed by North Korea?



## Missile Defense

—“—  
Which of the following do you most agree with regarding missile defense?  
—”—

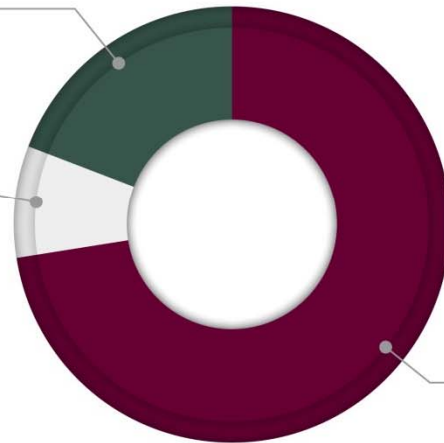
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Participate in U.S. MD System

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Don't Know/ No Response

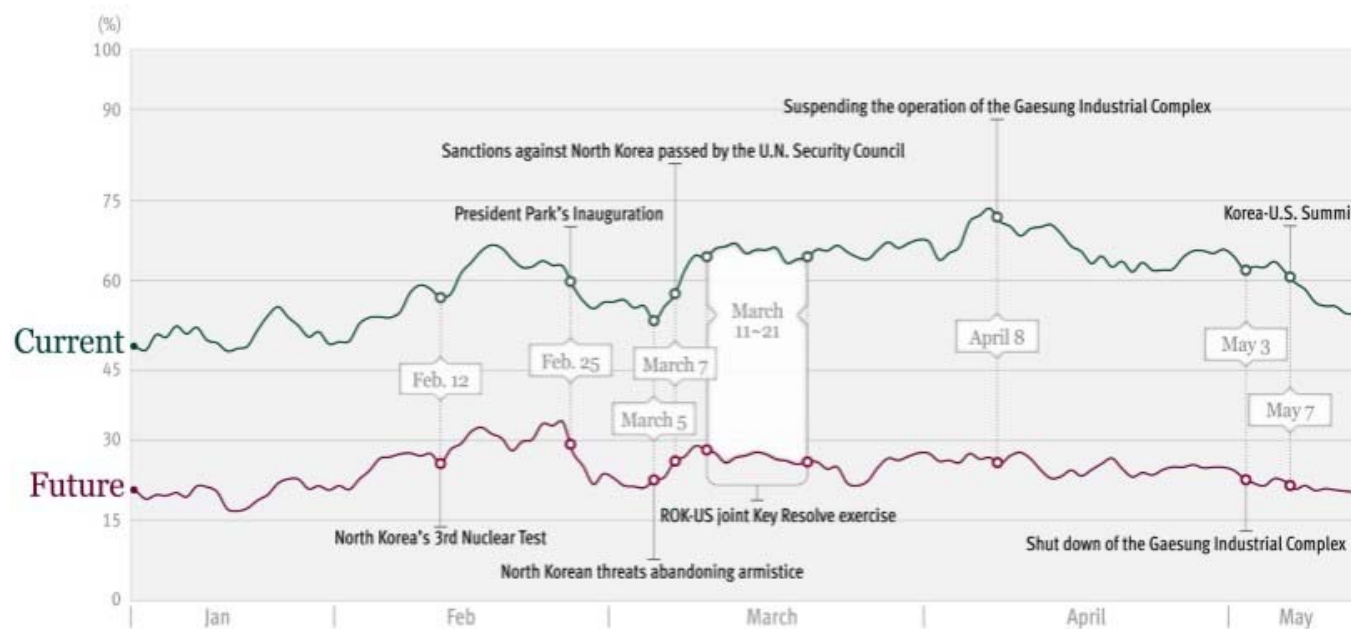


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Establish an Independent  
Korean MD System

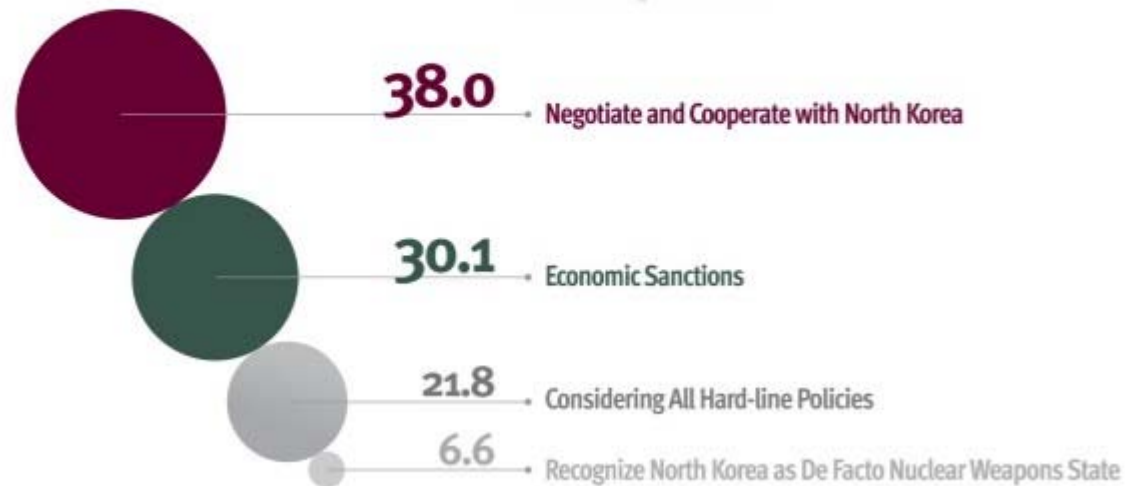
# IMPLICATIONS

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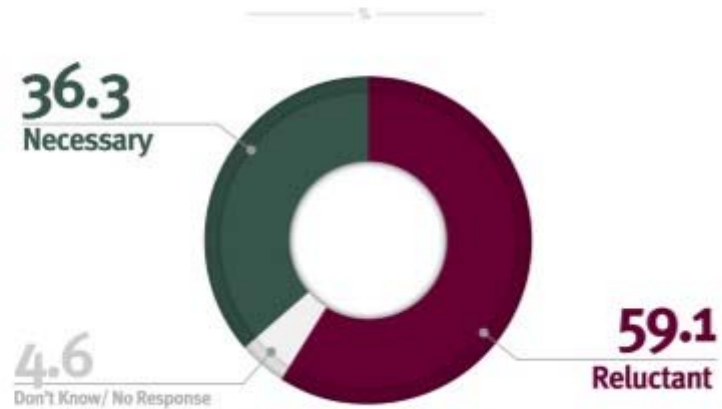
## 2. Negotiations vs. Sanctions

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## 3. Military sanctions vs. Economic Sanctions

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# Q & A

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# Thank you very much



