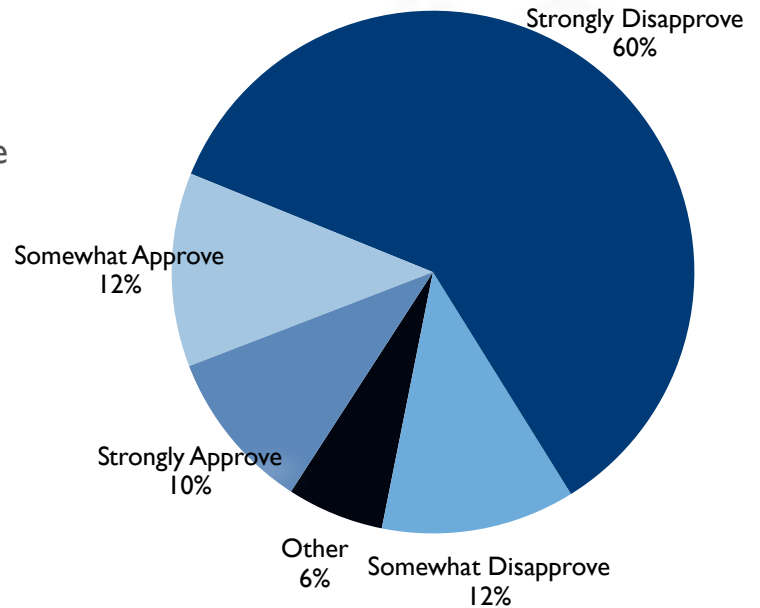


Should secret wiretapping be legal?

Problem of the Week



The National Security Agency can now wiretap American telephones and e-mail messages in secret. Government officials have decided that they must keep watch over people who seem **suspicious**. Officials says secret **wiretapping** will help prevent terrorist attacks. **Notwithstanding** this explanation, many Americans oppose secret wiretaps. They believe it may **eliminate** some of our personal privacy.



- Twenty-two percent of people approve of secret wiretapping. What fraction is closest to 22%?
 - 1/2
 - 1/5
 - 1/4
 - 1/3
- Which point on the number line appears to be located at the number you chose for Question 1? Show or explain how you got your answer.



Discussion Question: Seventy-two percent of Americans disapprove of secret wiretaps. Why do so many people feel this way?