Graph of the Week

September 30-October 4, 2013

Analyze the graphs below and write a reflection on what you think the graphs are communicating to you. To guide you with your response, start with some observations.

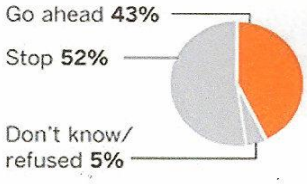
- What is the topic of the graph?
- What does the x-axis represent? What does the y-axis represent?
- What are some observations that you can make based on the graph?
- What do you foresee happening about 5 years from now?

Questions to ask when reading graphs:

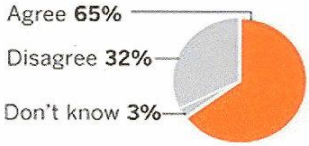
- Is there an upward or downward trend?
- Are there any sudden spikes in the graph?
- What is being compared in the graph?
- What prediction can I make for the future?
- What inferences can I make about the graph?

Views on the California bullet train project

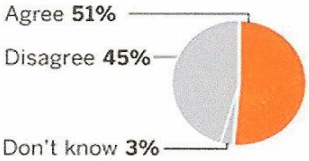
Q: *Do you believe the bullet train project should be allowed to go ahead, or do you believe it should be stopped? (among all registered voters)*



Q: *Will the bullet train project create jobs and help the economy?*



Q: *Will the bullet train project be a waste of taxpayer dollars?*



How the poll was conducted: This survey was conducted on behalf of the USC Dornsife College of Letters, Arts and Sciences and the Los Angeles Times. Among California registered voters, 1,500 were randomly selected and surveyed Sept. 18-24, 2013. The maximum sampling error for the overall sample is plus or minus 2.9 percentage points.

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