



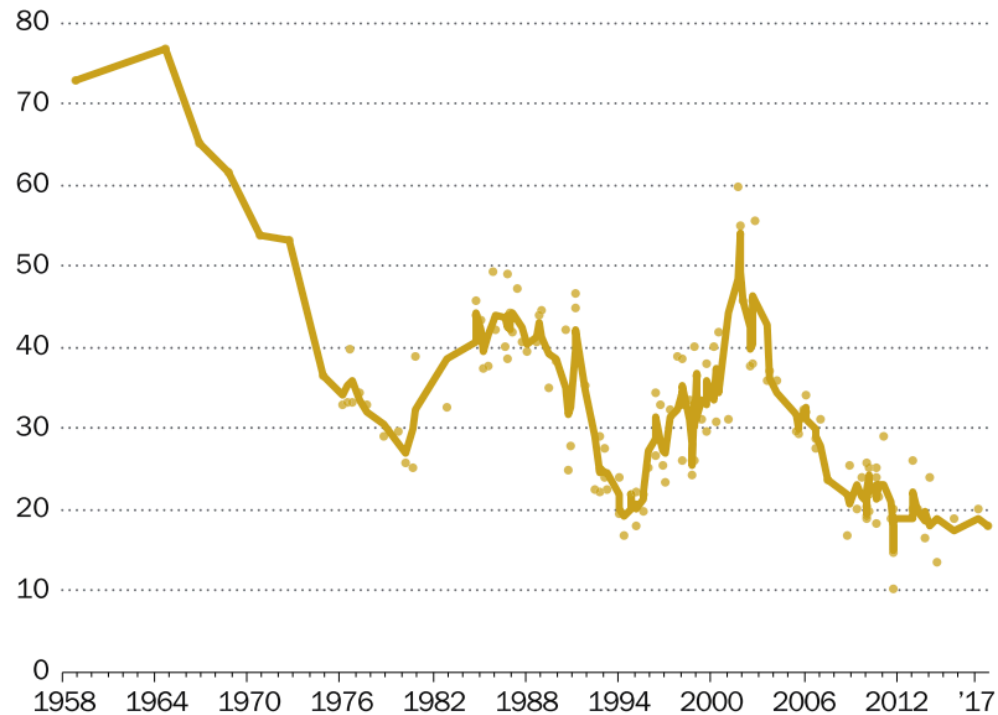
If you build it, will they come?

The future of civic engagement in Hawai'i

Colin Moore, UH-Manoa

Public trust in federal government, 1958 - 2017

% who say they trust the federal government to do what is right just about always/most of the time ...



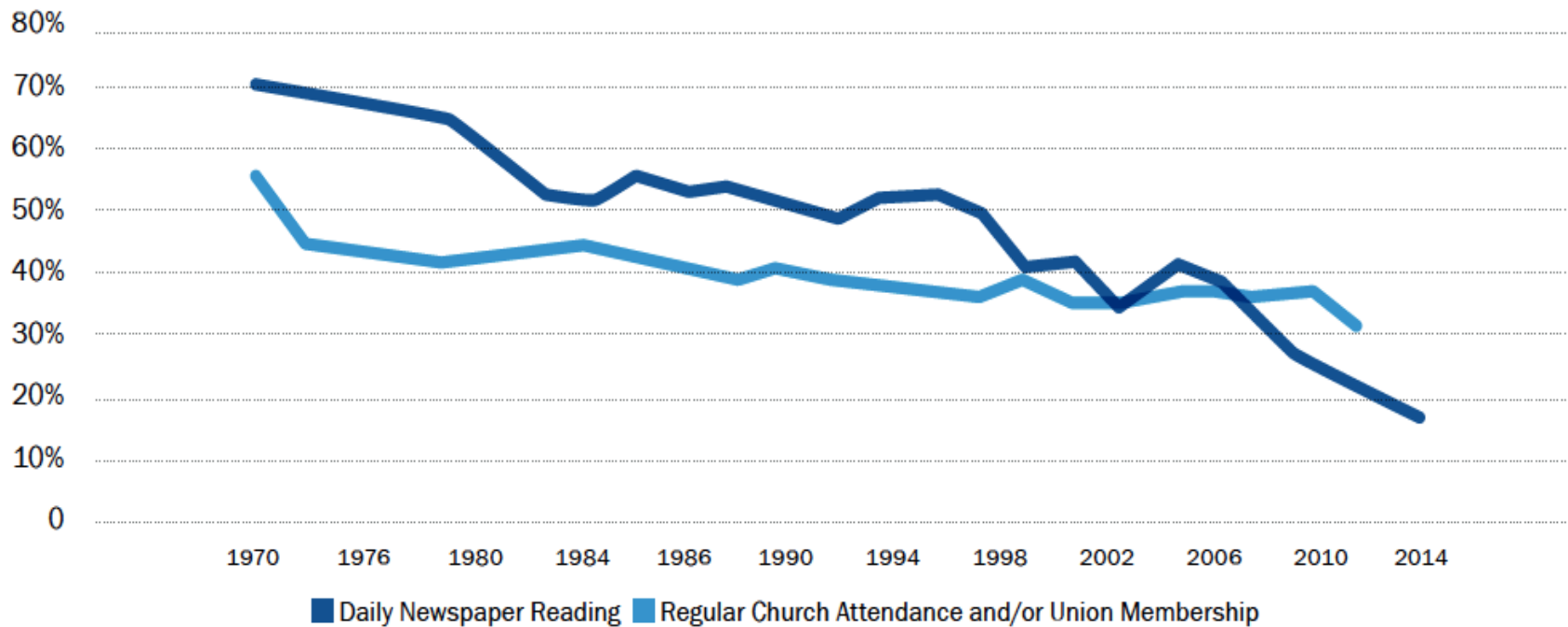
Notes: From 1976-2017 the trend line represents a three-survey moving average.

Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted Nov. 29-Dec. 4, 2017.

Trend sources: Pew Research Center, National Election Studies, Gallup, ABC/Washington Post, CBS/New York Times, and CNN polls.

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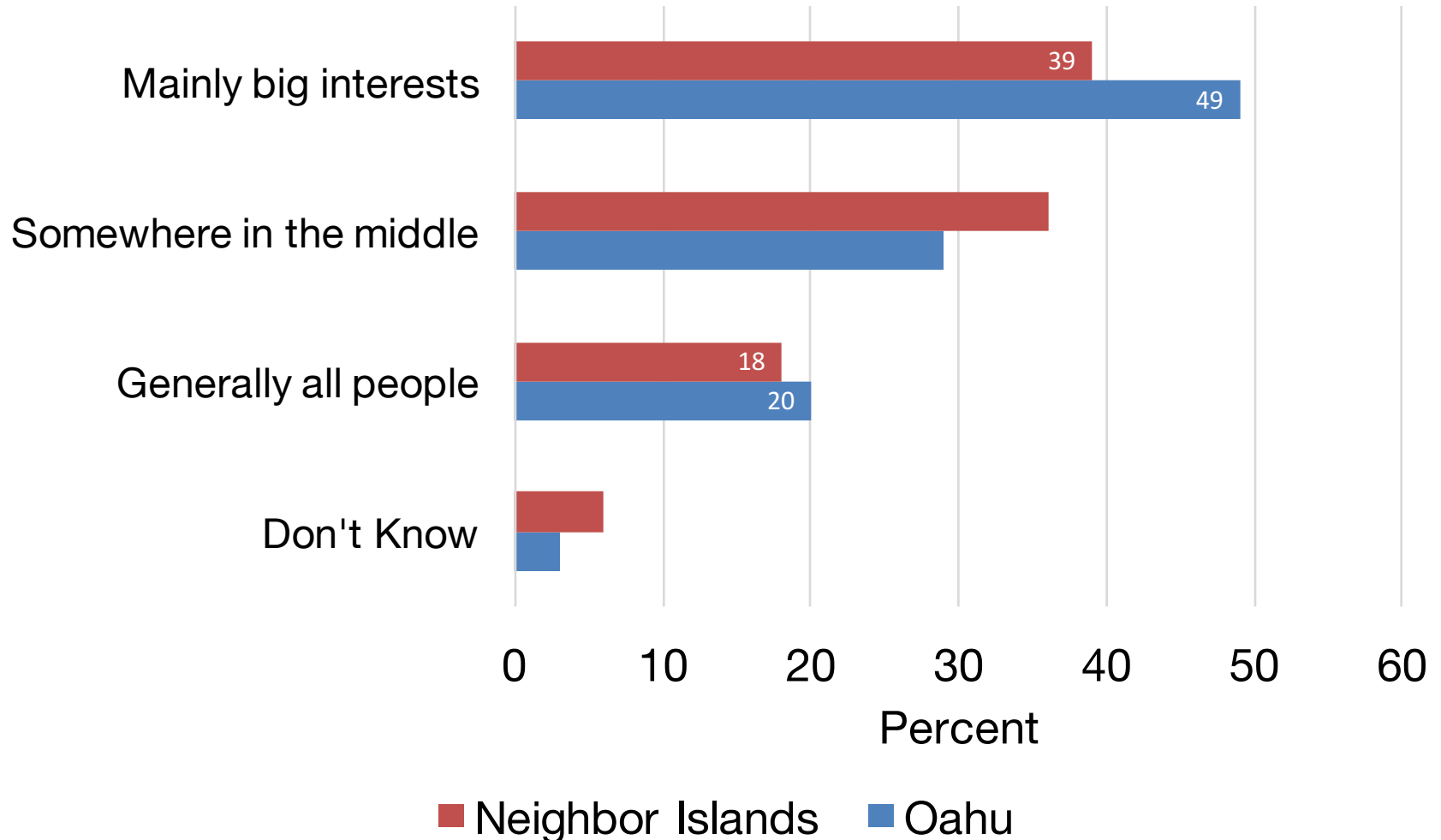
The sharp decline of civil society in the 21st century



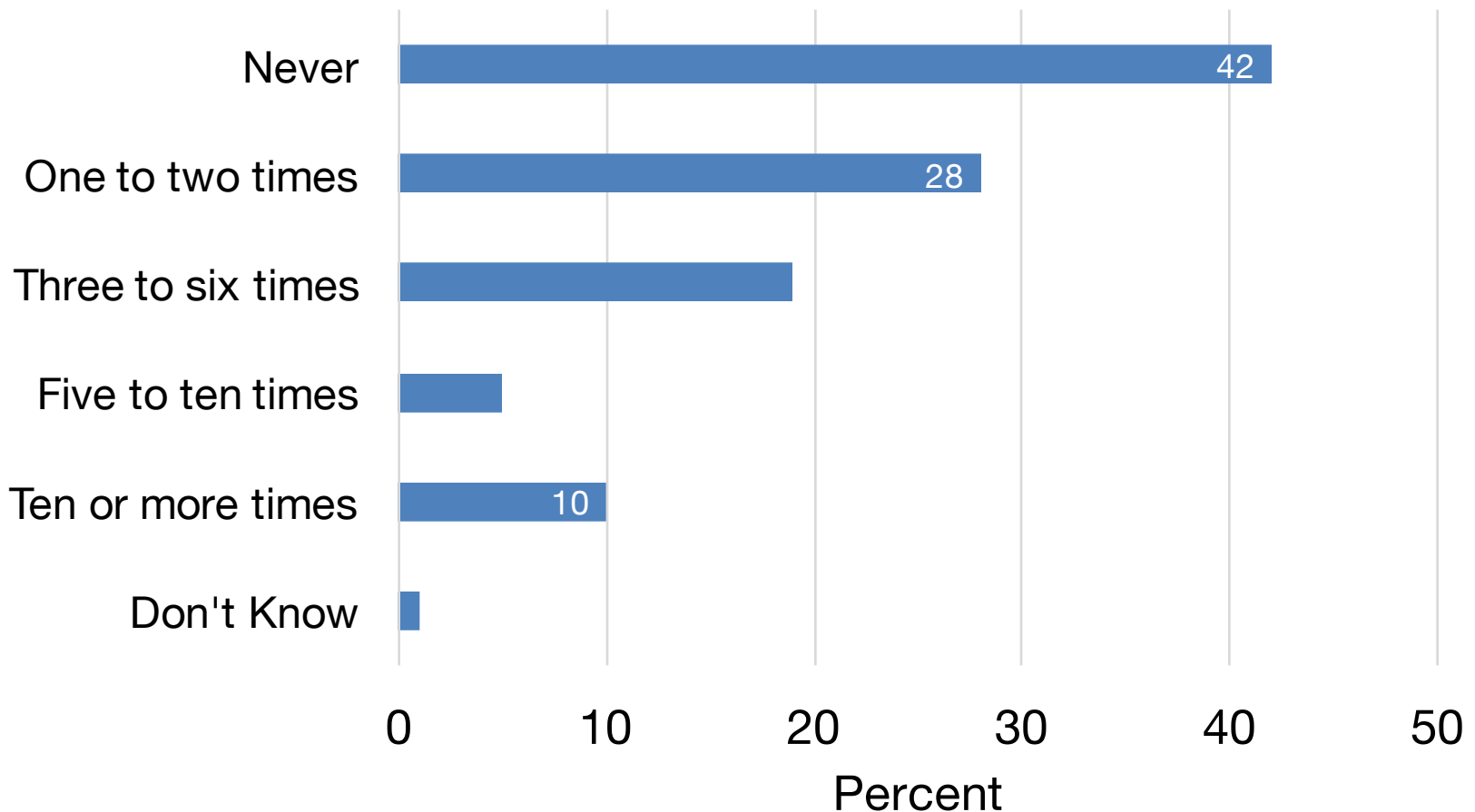
UH Public Policy Center survey
on civic engagement in Hawai'i

Oahu and Neighbor Islands
August 2017, August 2018

Would you say that our state government is run by a few big interests looking out for themselves, or that it is run for the benefit of all people? (2017)



Over the past year or so, how often have you been involved in a community project or attended a public meeting?



What can be done?

Suggestion #1: We need more civic education

NAEP Civics Proficiency Levels

FIGURE 2

Percentage of 8th graders scoring at or above proficient



- **Not enough:** Hawai‘i requires one semester; no mandatory assessment of skills
- **Civic education works!** Strong evidence that civics education closes the gap in civic knowledge among immigrants and the disadvantaged
- **Some improvement:** “Participation in a Democracy” now focused on taking “informed action”

Suggestion #2:

Our online public spaces should be as welcoming as our physical ones



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JDC 016	2/05/2019 9:00 AM	View
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Measure Title: RELATING TO PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.

Report Title: Attorney General; Statement for Proposed Constitutional Amendments; Appropriation (\$)

Description: Requires the Attorney General to prepare a statement for each proposed constitutional amendment in language that is clear and that indicates the purpose, limitations, and effects of the proposed amendment. Requires the Attorney General to also prepare the statement in Hawaiian. Requires the Office of Elections and county clerks to make the statement available to the public. Makes an appropriation. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD2)

Companion:

Package: None

Current Referral: JUD, FIN

Introducer(s): L. THIELEN, HARIMOTO, IHARA, KANUHA, J.KEOHOKALO

Sort by Date	Status	Text
1/18/2019	S	Introduced.
1/22/2019	S	Passed First Reading.
1/28/2019	S	Referred to JDC, WAM.
1/31/2019	S	The committee(s) on JDC has scheduled a public hearing on 02-05-19 9:00AM in conference room 016.
2/5/2019	S	The committee(s) on JDC recommend(s) that the measure be PASSED, WITH AMENDMENTS. The votes in JDC were as follows: 5 Aye(s): Senator(s) K. Rhoads, Wakai, Gabbard, Kim, Fevella; Aye(s) with reservations: none ; 0 No(es): none; and 0 Excused: none.
2/12/2019	S	Reported from JDC (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 213) with recommendation of passage on Second Reading, as amended (SD 1) and referral to WAM.
2/12/2019	S	Report adopted; Passed Second Reading, as amended (SD 1) and referred to WAM.
2/22/2019	S	The committee(s) on WAM will hold a public decision making on 02-25-19 10:30AM in conference room 211.
2/25/2019	S	The committee(s) on WAM recommend(s) that the measure be PASSED, WITH AMENDMENTS. The votes in WAM were as follows: 11 Aye(s): Senator(s) Dela Cruz, Keith-Agaran, English, K. Kahele, Kanuha, Kidani, Moriwaki, Riviere, Shimabukuro, Taniguchi, Fevella; Aye(s) with reservations: none ; 0 No(es): none; and 2 Excused: Senator(s) Harimoto, Inouye.
3/1/2019	S	Reported from WAM (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1050) with recommendation of passage on Third Reading, as amended (SD 2).
3/1/2019	S	48 Hrs. Notice 03-05-19.
3/5/2019	S	Report adopted; Passed Third Reading, as amended (SD 2). Ayes, 24; Aye(s) with reservations: none . Noes, 0 (none). Excused, 1 (Senator(s) Harimoto). Transmitted to House.



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	Monday, Mar. 18	11:00 AM	Senate Session (Full Formal without Calendar)	Senate Chamber
	Monday, Mar. 18	11:00 AM	Informal House Session	House Chamber
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★ H.1146	An Act regarding shared responsibility for funding of health care oversight agencies
★ H.750	An Act to save recycling costs in the Commonwealth
★ H.223	An Act relative to the security of personal financial information
★ H.3020	An Act relative to motorcycle inspections
★ H.414	An Act to achieve universal pre-kindergarten
★ H.415	An Act to reduce barriers to education and career opportunities

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Suggestion #3:
We need more deliberative engagement



Legitimacy

Justice

Policy Effectiveness

- Learn and exchange perspectives with other participants and officials
- Deliberative process aims toward agreement and consensus building
- Possibilities: Citizens' juries, deliberative collaboration