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13 Graphs That Are Clearly Lying

The numbers don't lie, but humans do. H/T [Data Is Ugly](#) on Reddit.



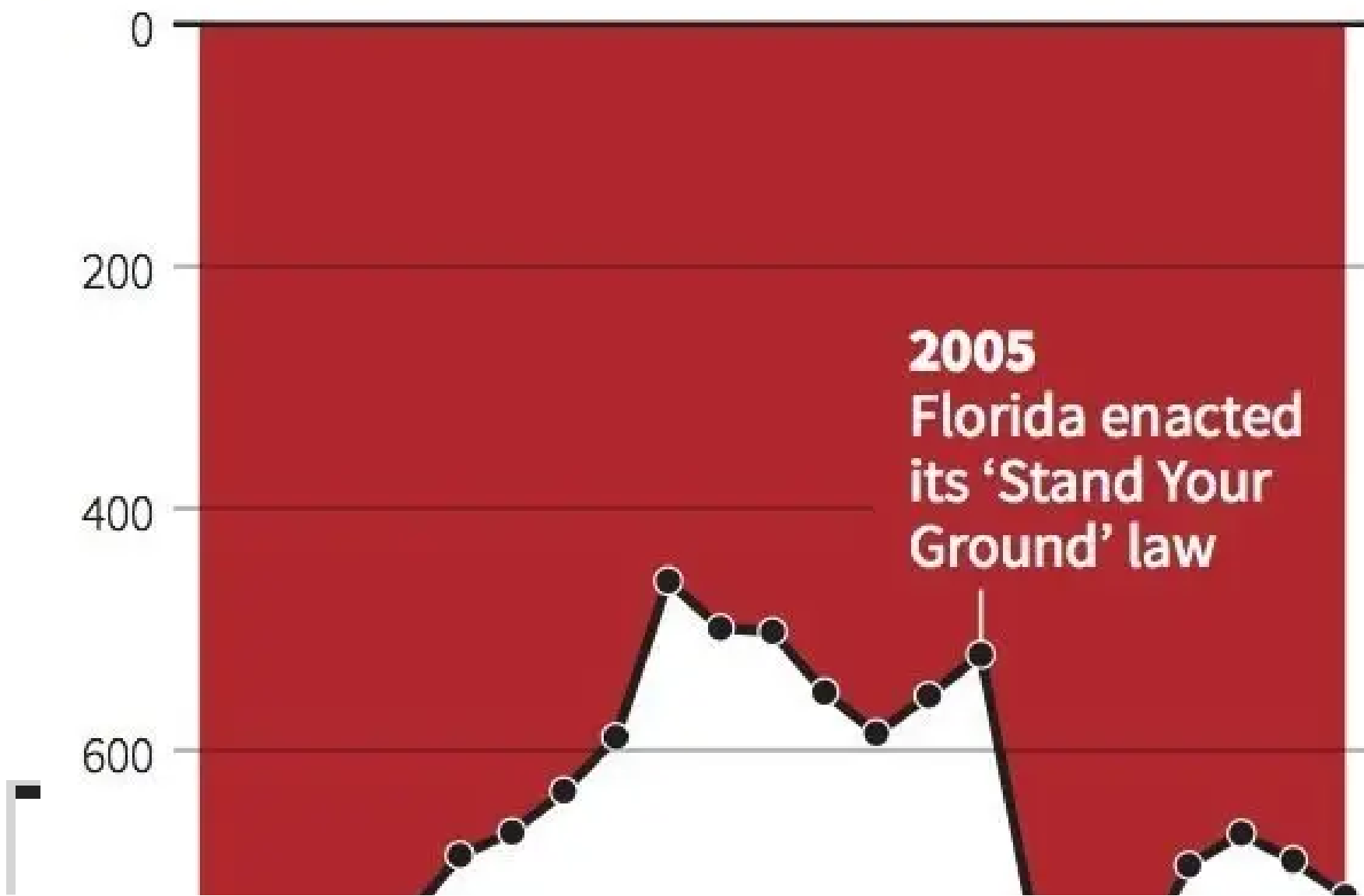
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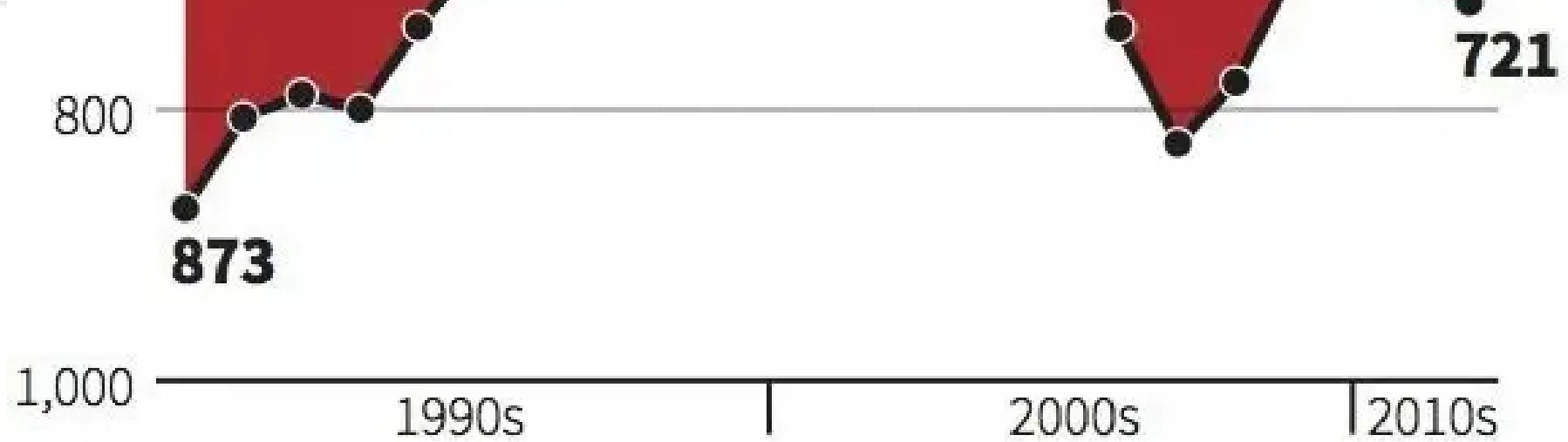
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1. The time an upside down y-axis made "Stand Your Ground" seem much more reasonable.

Gun deaths in Florida

Number of murders committed using firearms





Source: Florida Department of Law Enforcement

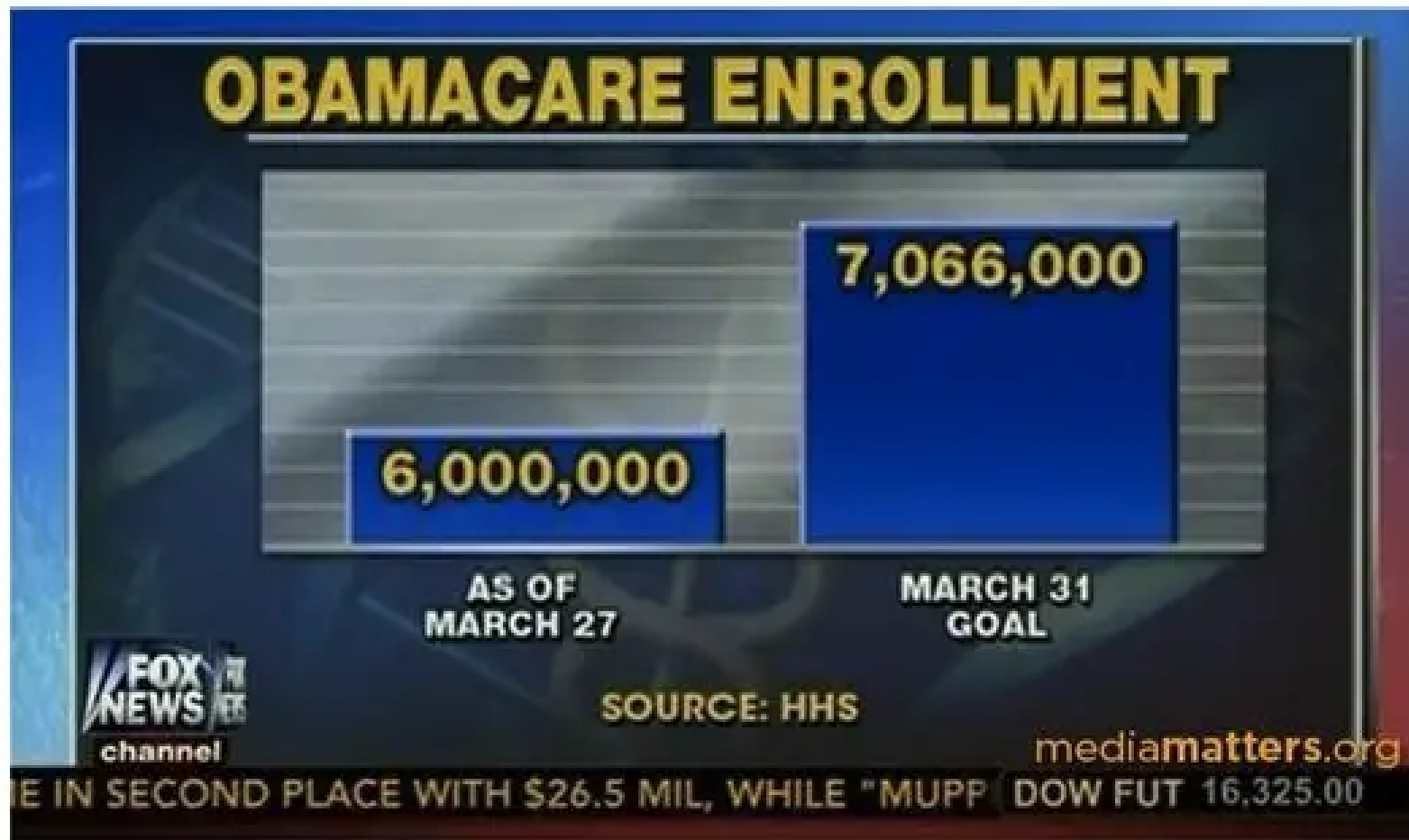
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2. The time 7 million was 5x more than 6 million.

Obamacare Signups, According to Fox News

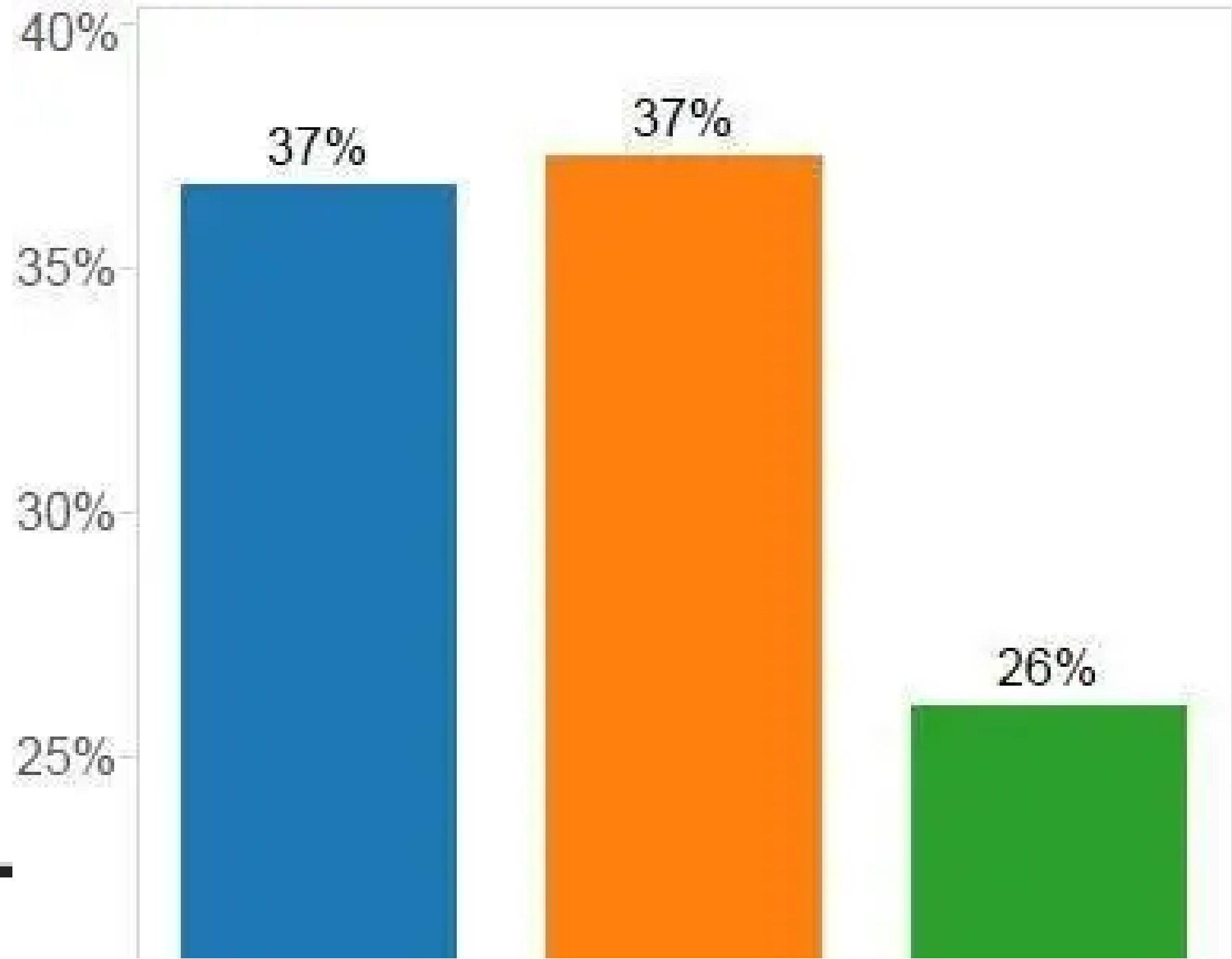


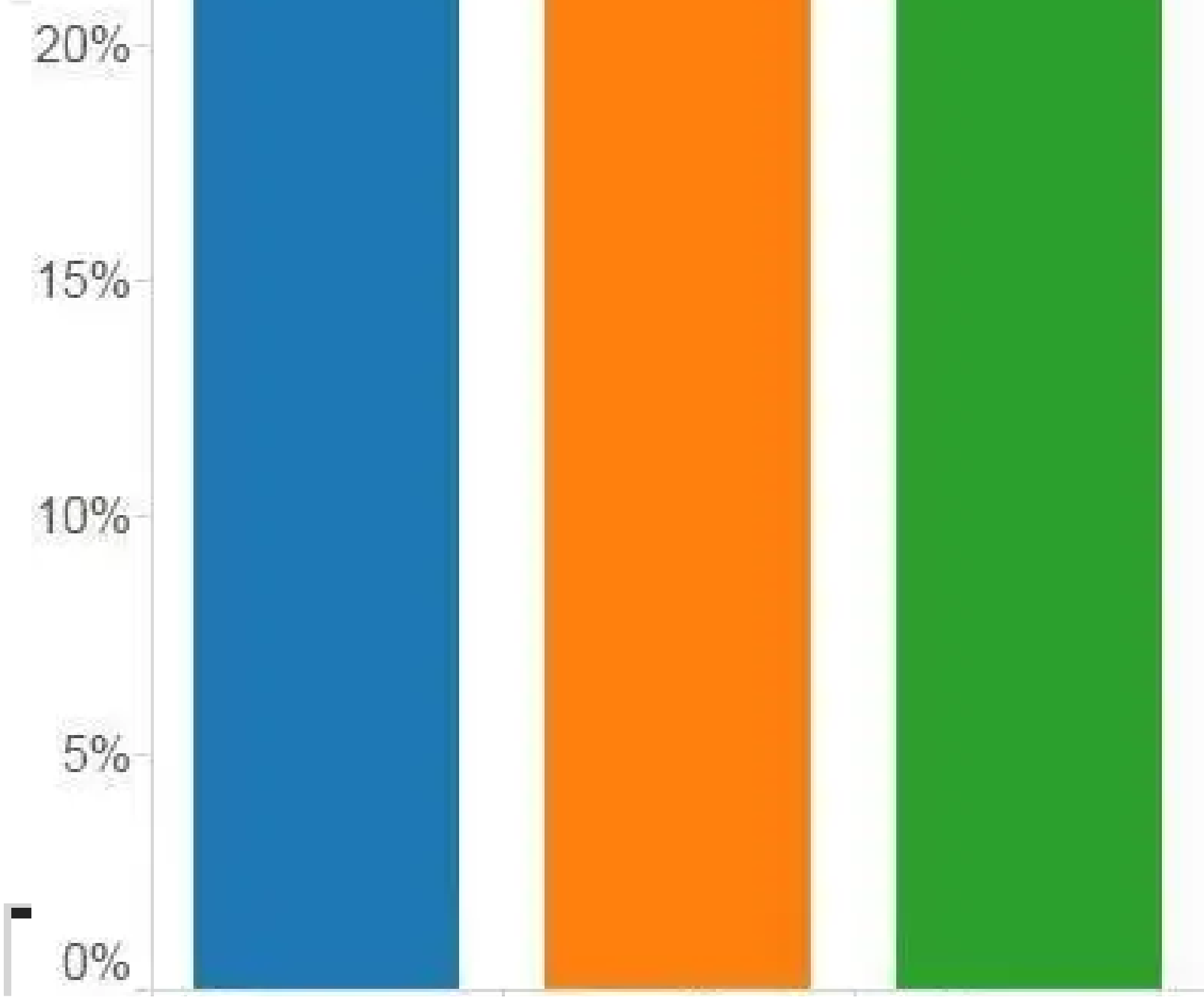
Source: Media Matters of America

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3. The Governor race where one guy's 37% was WAY more than just 37%

Governor





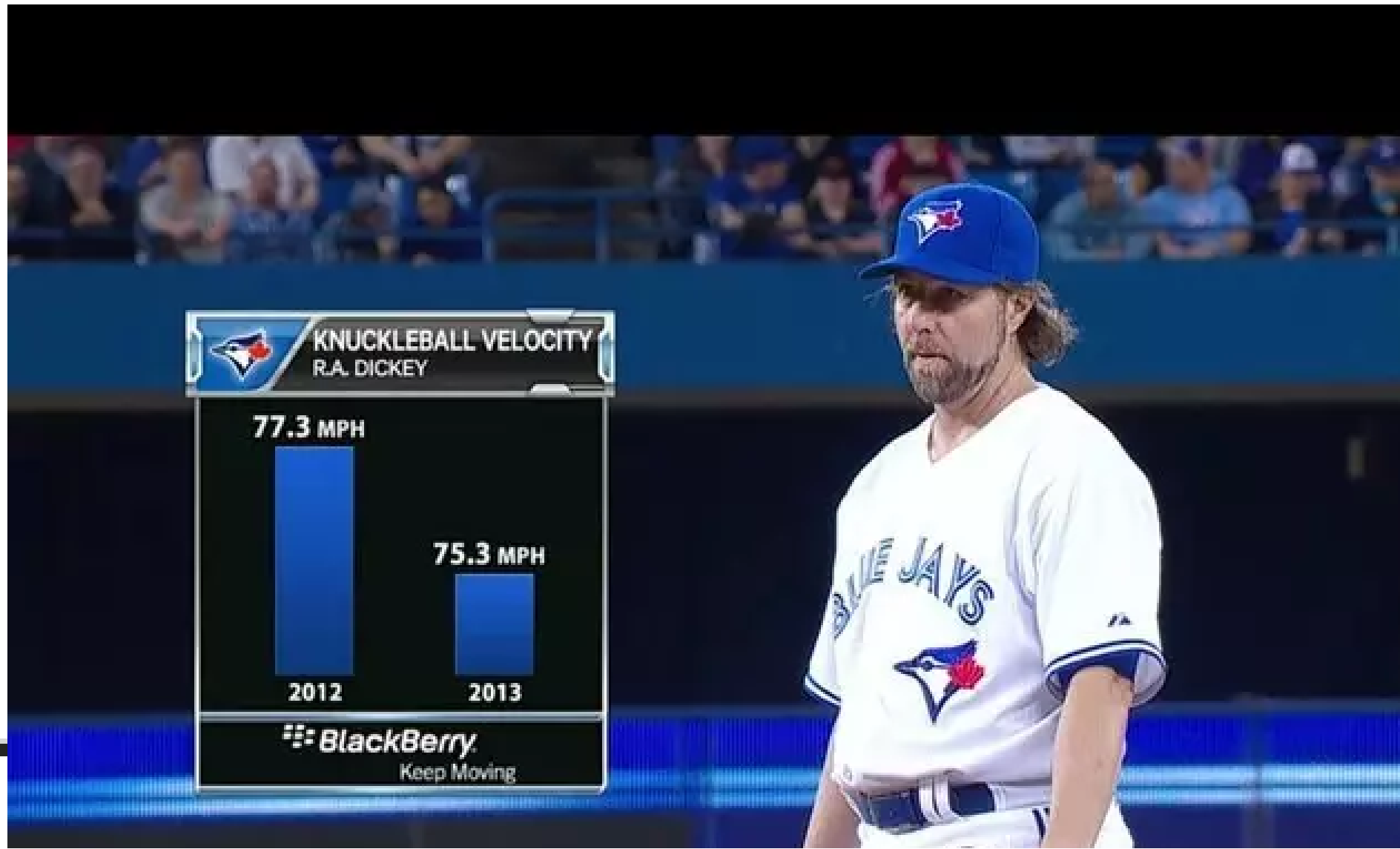
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Charlie Crist

Republican
Rick Scott

Unsure

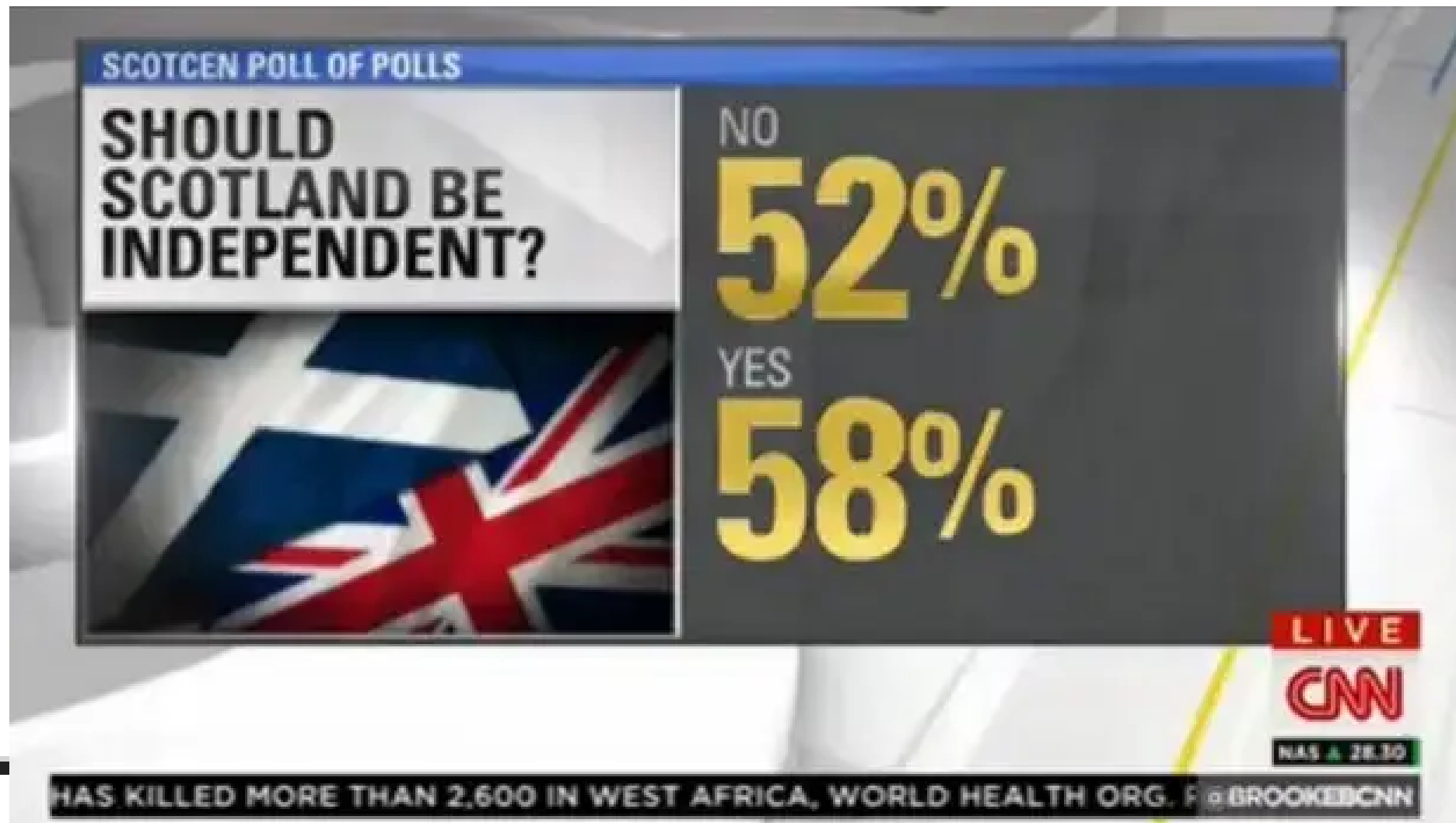
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4. This bar graph that shows the devastating drop in this pitcher's speed after one year.

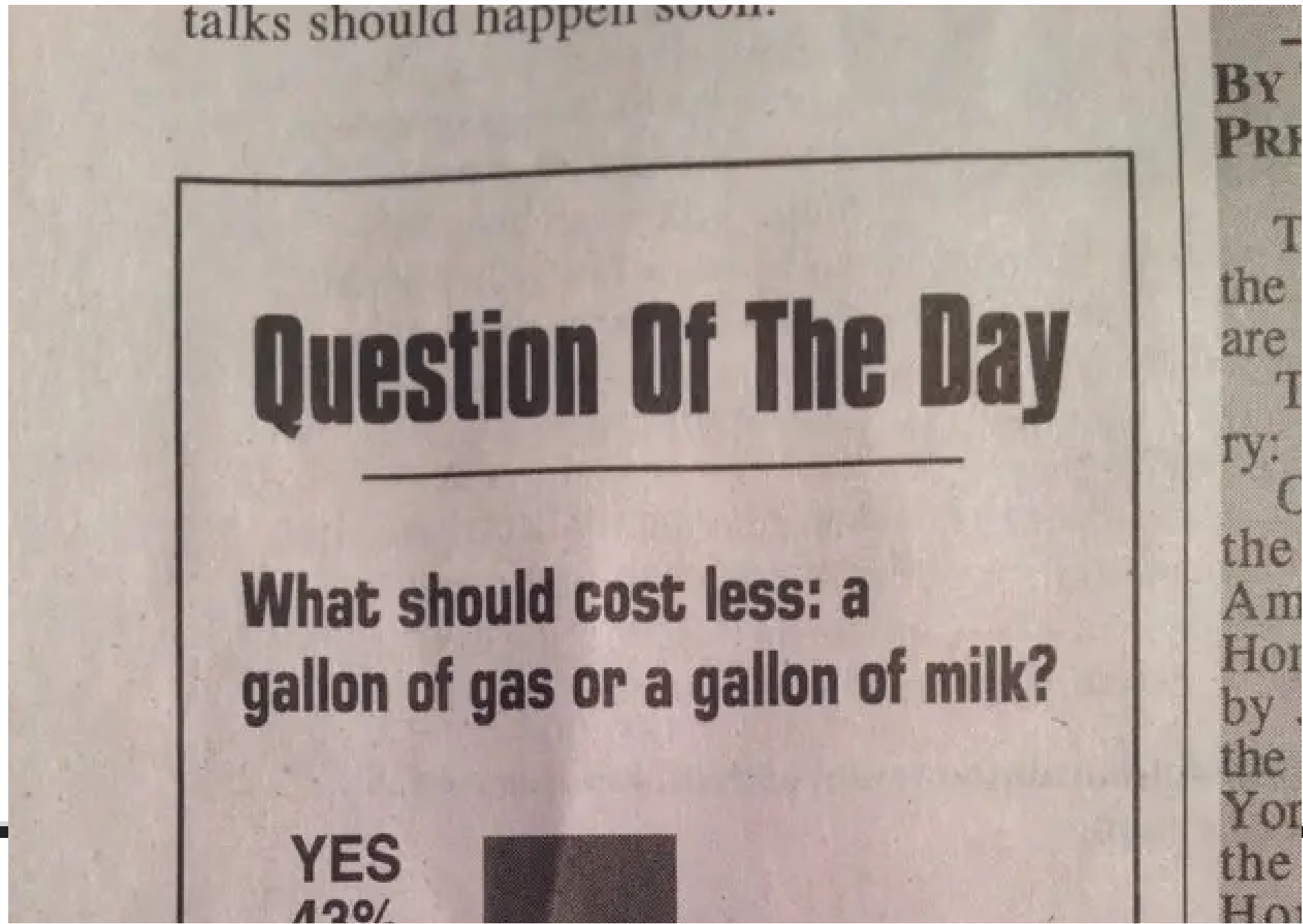


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5. The time when Scotland really gave 110%.



6. This poll which gives about the same infuriating response as when you ask someone what they want for dinner.

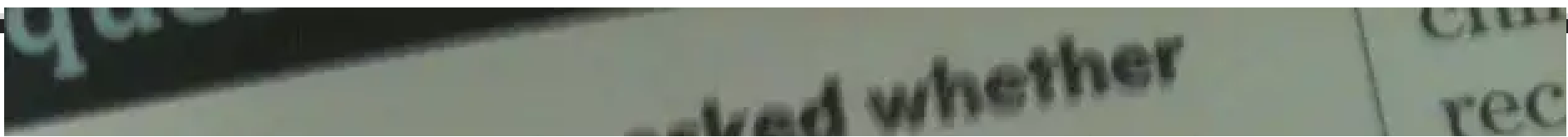


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NO
57%

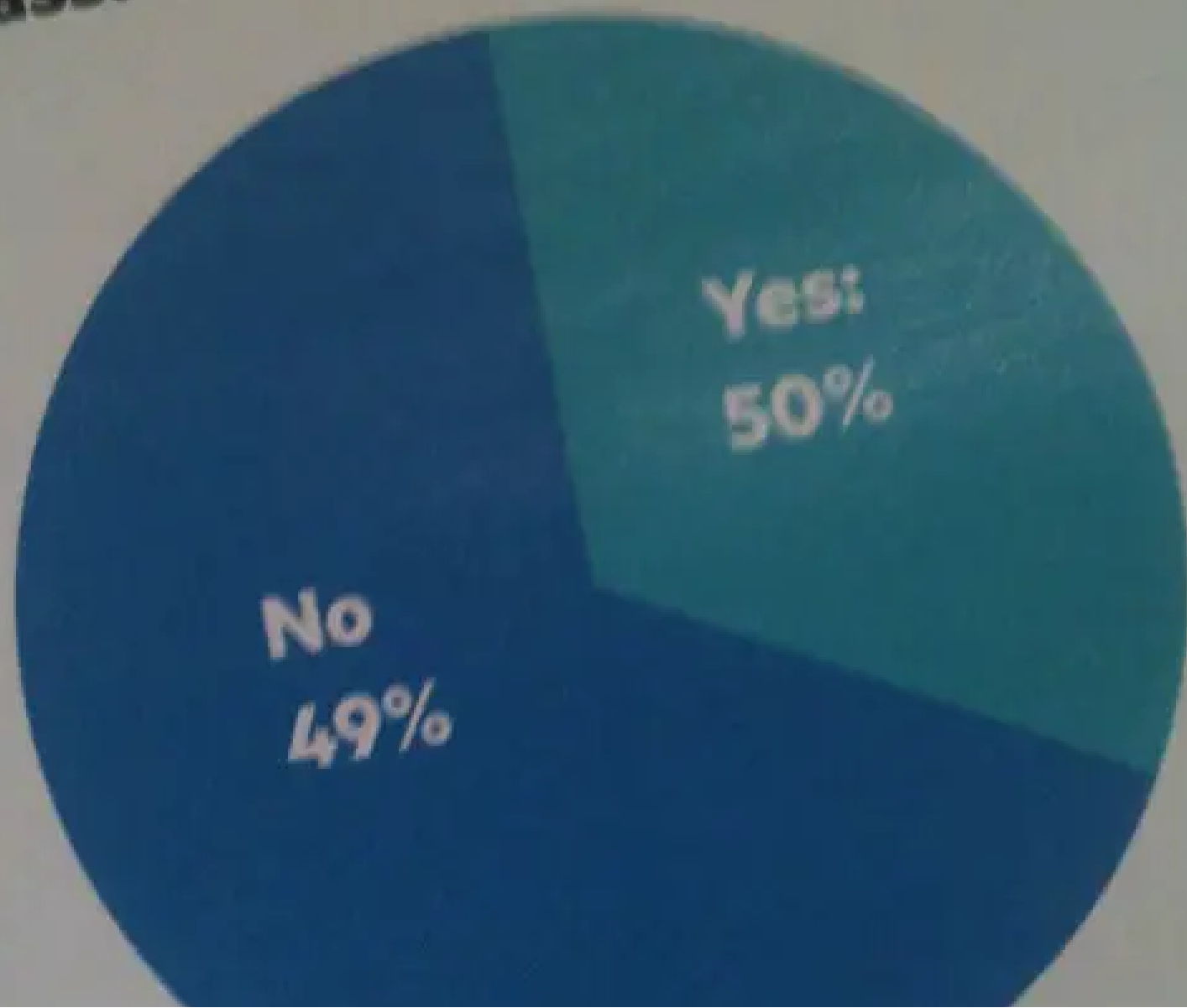
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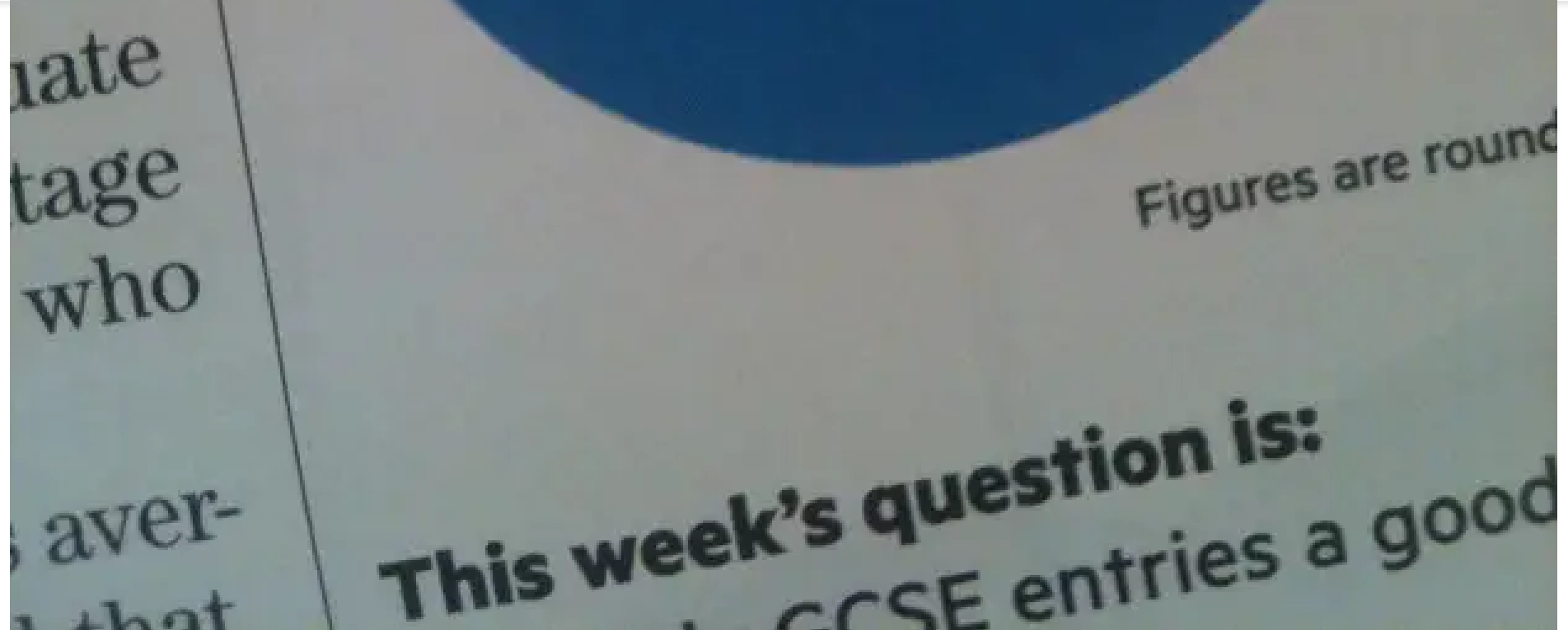
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7. The pollster who really doesn't want people to think A levels are getting harder.



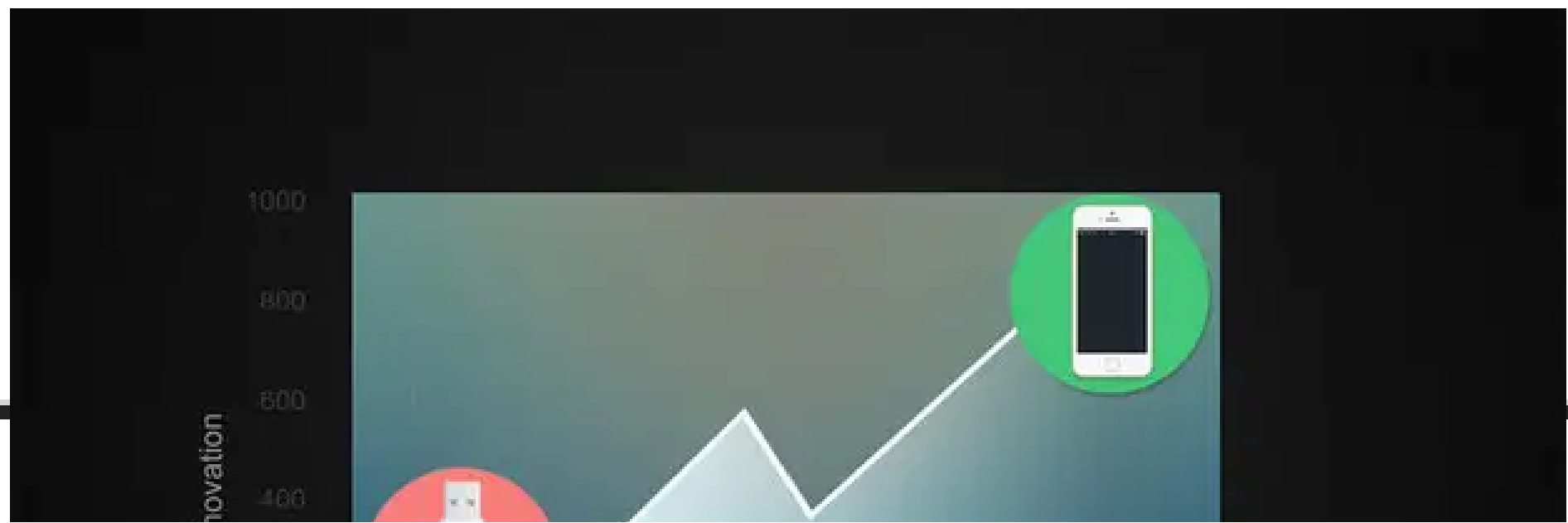
Last week, we asked
A levels are becoming harder
to pass. You said:

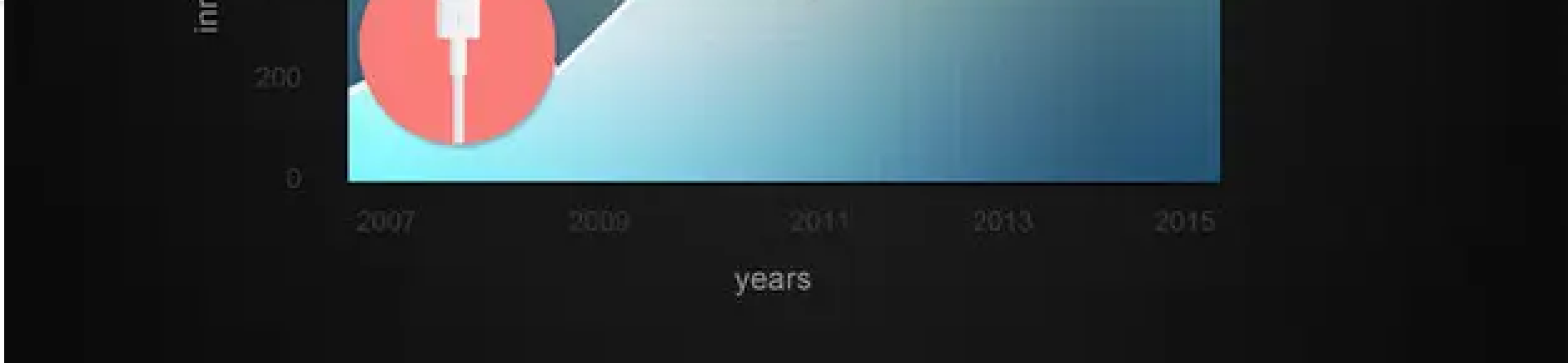




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8. This graph that measure..... units of "innovation"?



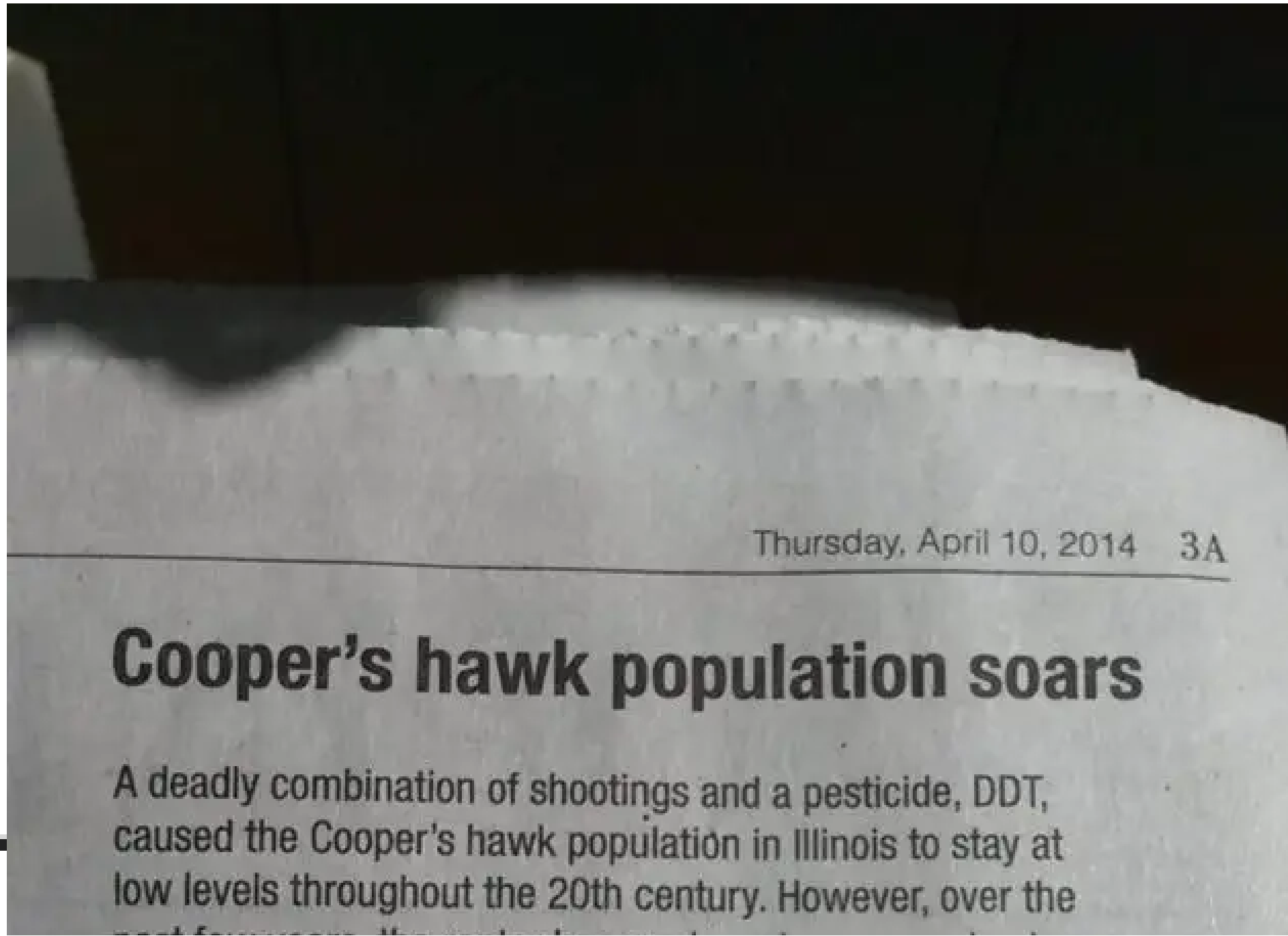


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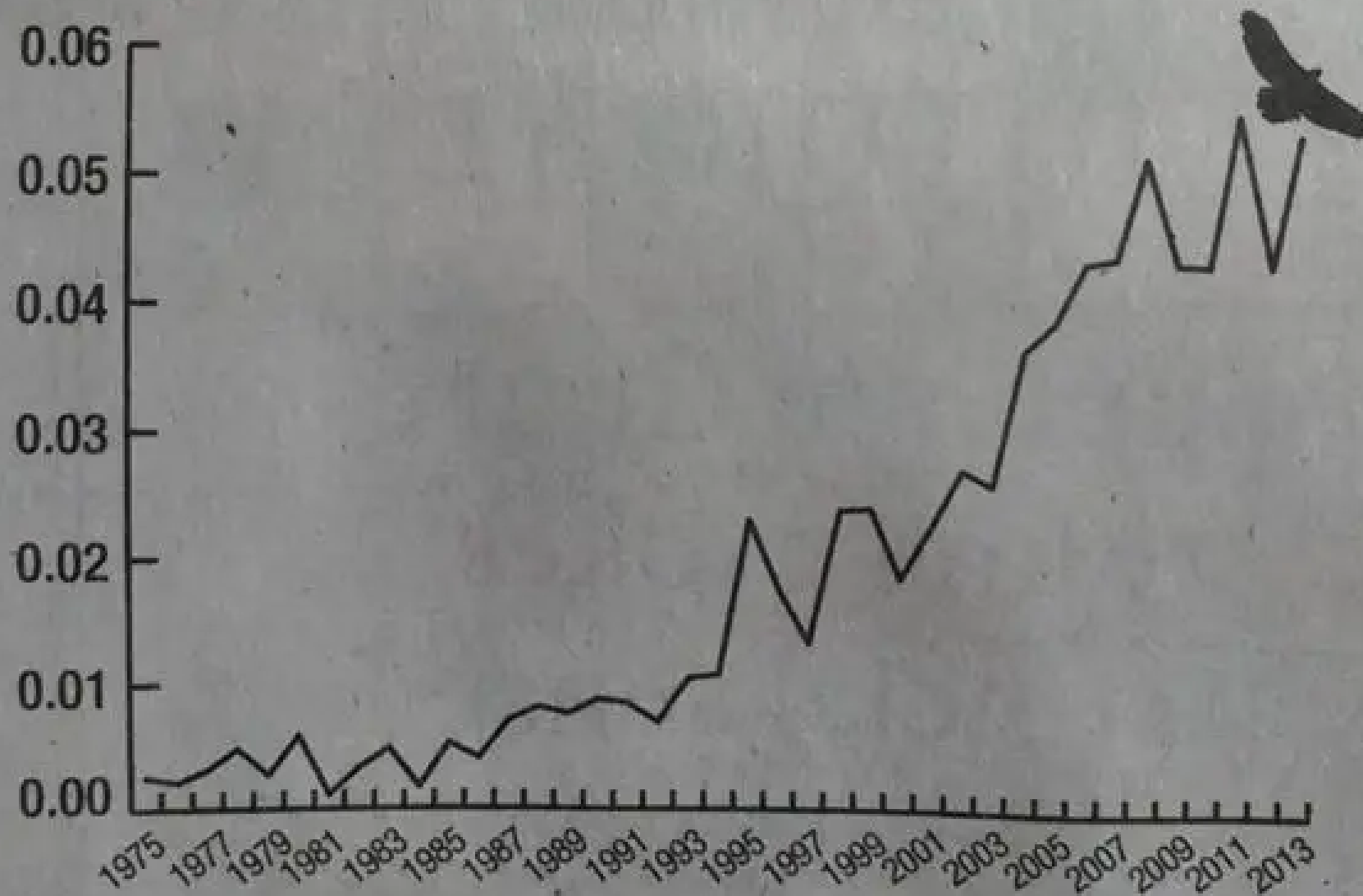
9. The number skipping y-axis on this totally legit graph.



10. This graph showing the astonishing growth rate to .06 hawks?



past few years, the raptor has made a strong comeback.



SOURCE: NATURAL HISTORY SURVEY

AUSTIN BAIRD THE DAILY ILLINI



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11. Whatever happened in this school paper.

12. The graph where last year, last week, and today are equally far apart.

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13. This chart showing the giant gulf between 35% and 39.6%.

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Read more about how graphs can be misleading here:

Media Matters - A History Of Dishonest Fox Charts
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