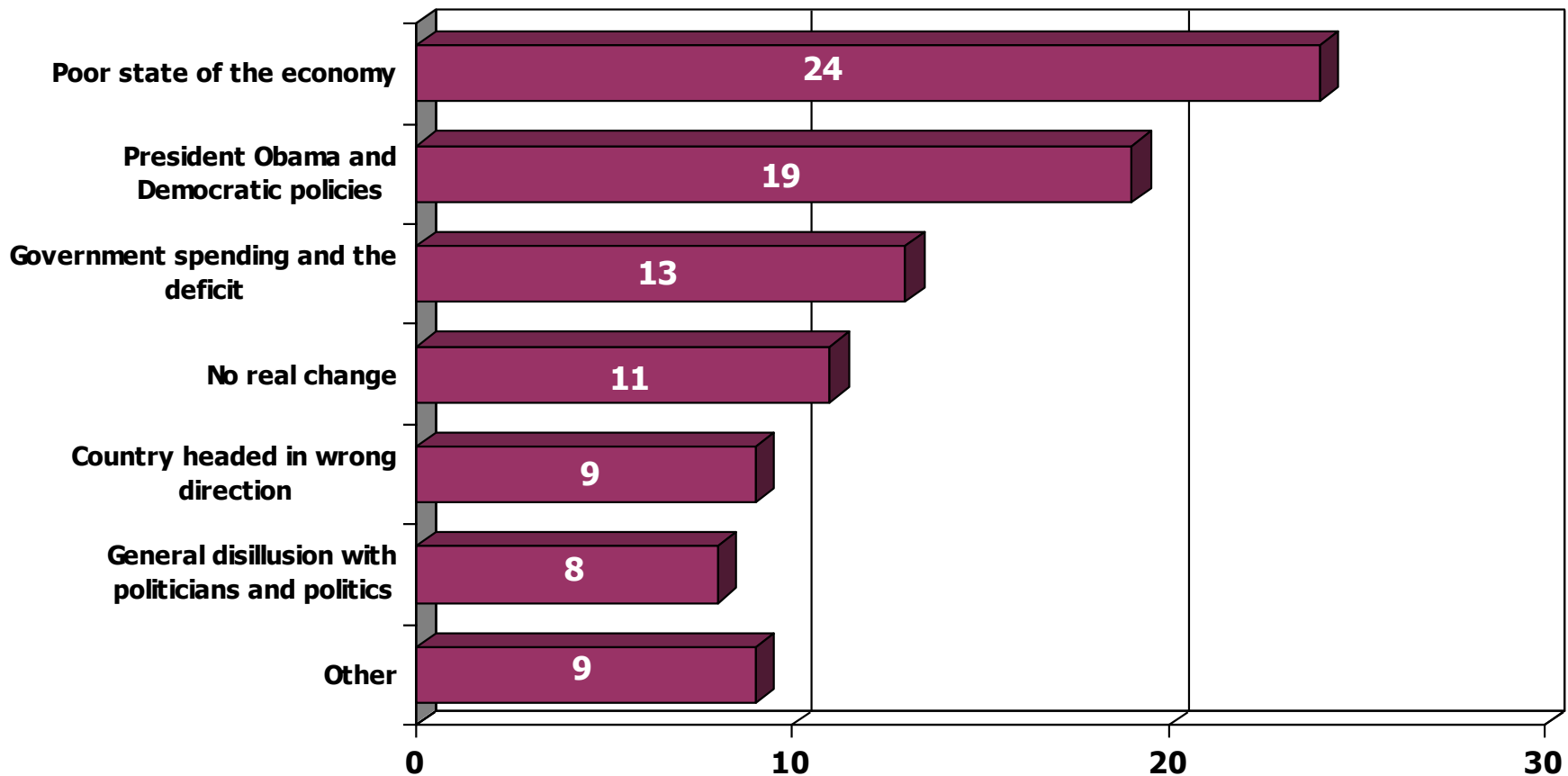


Of those who indicate they are less hopeful about the country than they were two years ago, a plurality of 24% indicate that it is due to the poor state of the economy, while 19% place the blame on President Obama and Democratic policies.

Why Less Hopeful?: Open End Responses of those less hopeful than two years ago



Of those who indicate they are more cynical about politics, over a third attribute it to simply being older and more aware, with the next most common group of responses relating to the ineffectiveness of the two-party system.

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