

TELEVISION AS A HEALTH EDUCATOR:
A Case Study of **GREY'S ANATOMY**

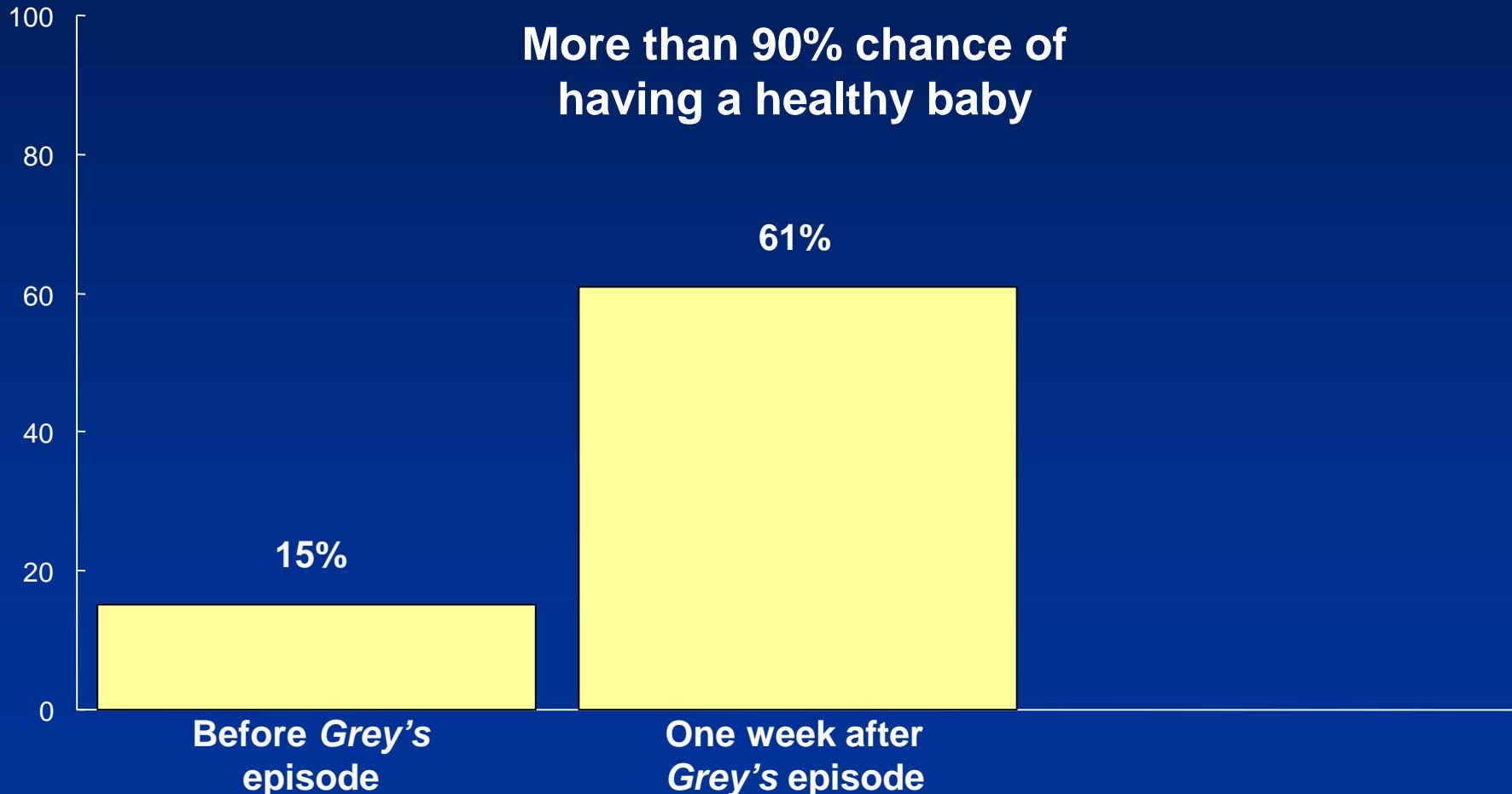


Survey Methodology

- **Pre-exposure baseline survey**
- **Post – exposure survey – one week after the episode airs**
- **Follow-up survey – six weeks after the episode airs**
- **Separate samples for each wave, 500 respondents per wave**

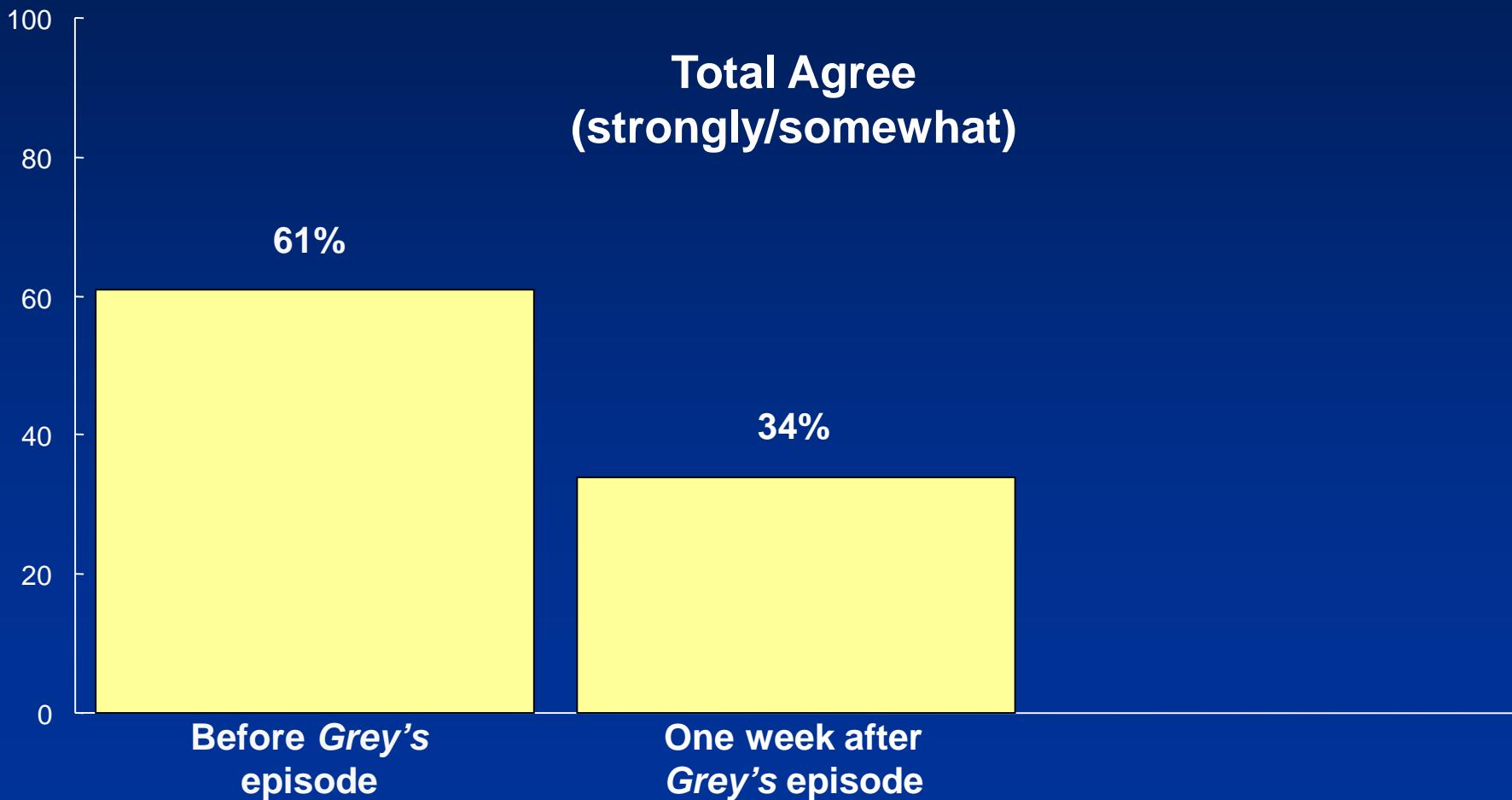
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Nielsen Ratings

Weekly Prime-Time Ratings

Week of April 28 - May

Household ratings and shares (18-49 rating in parentheses)

Time-slot winner by households

Nightly winner by households

Thursday

	7 p.m.	8 p.m.	9 p.m.	10 p.m.	Avg. Rtg./Share			
		Ugly Betty 5.4/9 (2.2)	5.7/9 (2.6)	Grey's Anatomy 9.9/15 (5.7)	10.4/16 (6.3)	Lost 6.8/11 (4.8)	6.5/11 (4.6)	7.5/12 (4.4)
		Survivor: Micronesia 7.4/13 (3.8)	7.8/13 (4.3)	CSI 10.8/17 (4.9)	11.5/18 (5.3)	Without a Trace 8.8/15 (3.4)	8.5/15 (3.1)	9.1/15 (4.1)
		My Name Is Earl 4.4/8 (2.8)	Scrubs 3.8/6 (2.9)	The Office 4.7/7 (4.0)	30 Rock 3.3/5 (2.6)	ER 4.9/8 (2.9)	5.5/10 (3.2)	4.4/7 (2.8)
		Are You Smarter Than a Fifth Grader? 5.1/9 (2.0)	Don't Forget the Lyrics 5.9/10 (2.4)	4.4/7 (2.3)	4.8/7 (2.8)			
		Smallville 2.3/4 (1.5)						
			0.8/1 (0.4)					
		"Greys Anatomy" (ABC)						
		Yo Amo a Juan Querendón 1.4/3 (1.1)	Al Diablo Con los 1.6/3 (1.3)	2.2/4 (1.9)				

TOP SHOWS

THURSDAY

Adults 18 to 49: "Grey's Anatomy" (ABC) 6.1/16

Total viewers: "Grey's Anatomy" (ABC) 17.5 million

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Grey's Anatomy Last Night

Posted by: [mj2008](#) | Posted on 5/2/2008 11:49:27 AM: 5 Replies

Did anyone watch Grey's last night? It made me baul [sic] my eyes out... I had no idea that someone with HIV would have a 98% chance of having a healthy baby..."

Did anyone watch Grey's last night? It made me baul my eyes out and I really needed a good cry.) I had no idea that someone with HIV would have a 98% chance of having a healthy baby. The surgery on the baby was amazing to see to.

A young girl in my hometown had a baby with her bowels growing outside of her body and she is a happy and healthy child now. These kinds of stories are amazing and inspirational to me.

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“That stunned me too. I thought it was almost a certainty for the child to get it. Wow.”

This is a response to: [wow 98 percent](#)

Lelie

 **Moderator**

Lit Lady

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Loc: Having breakfast at
Tiffany's

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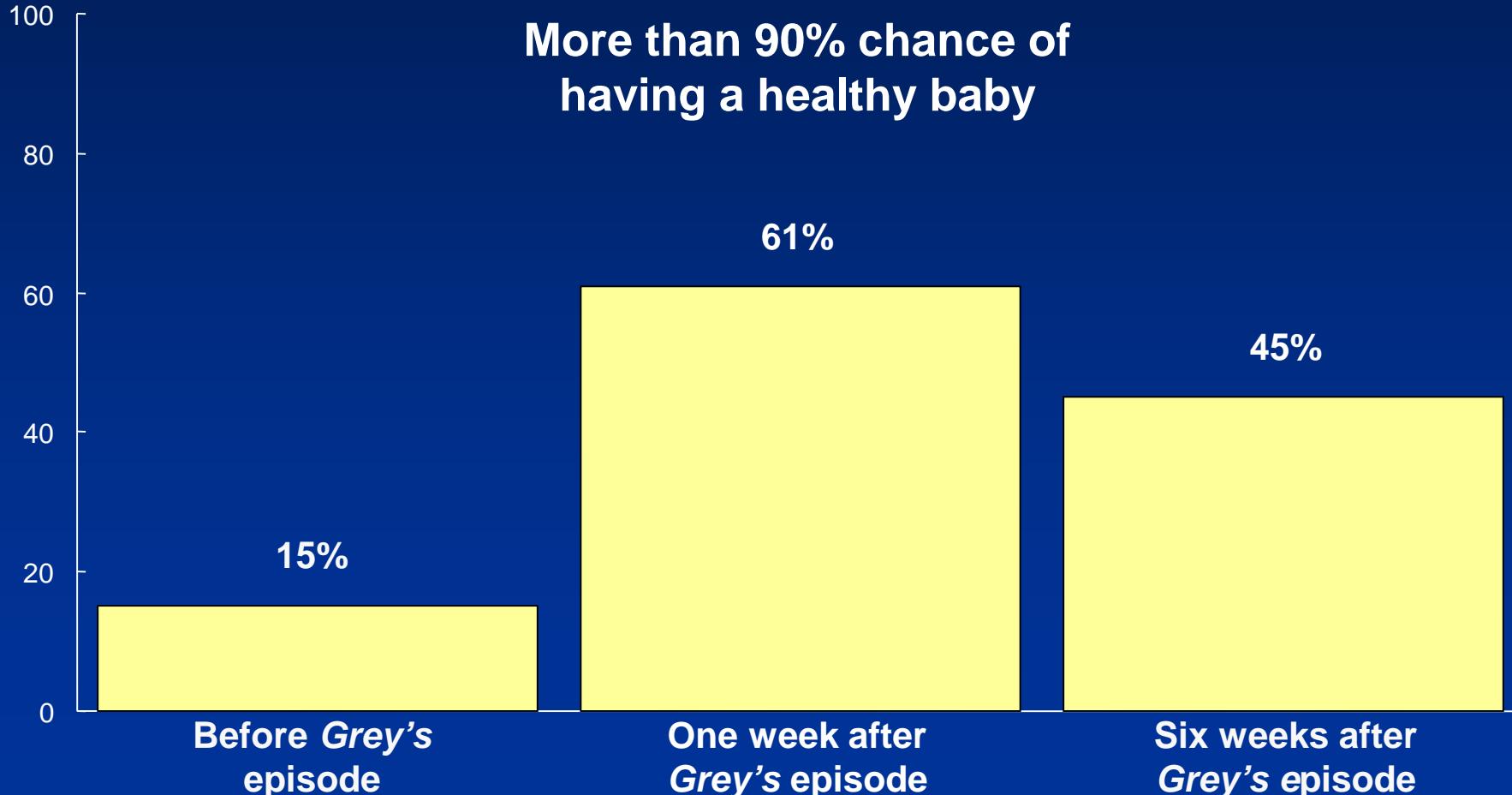
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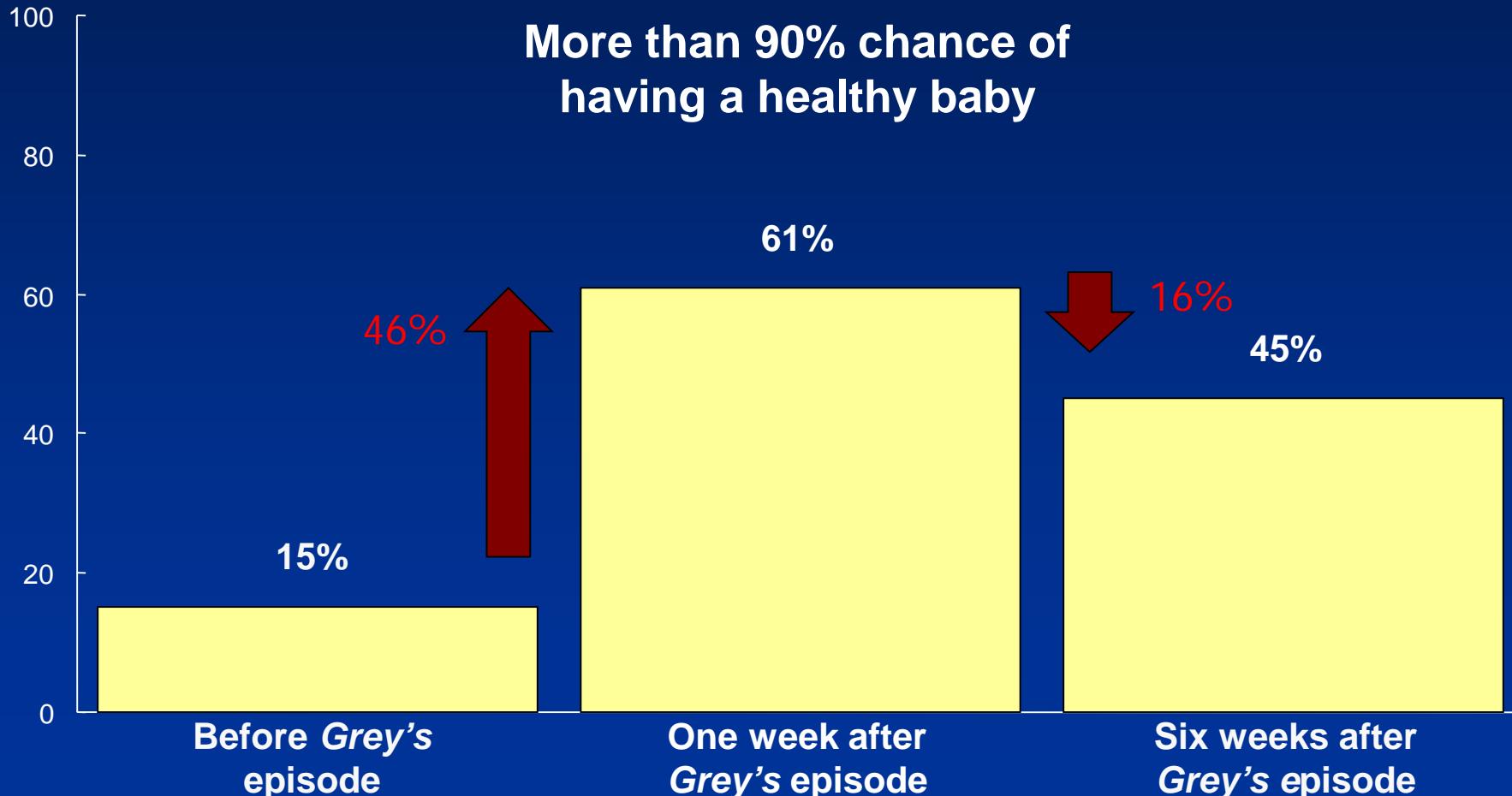
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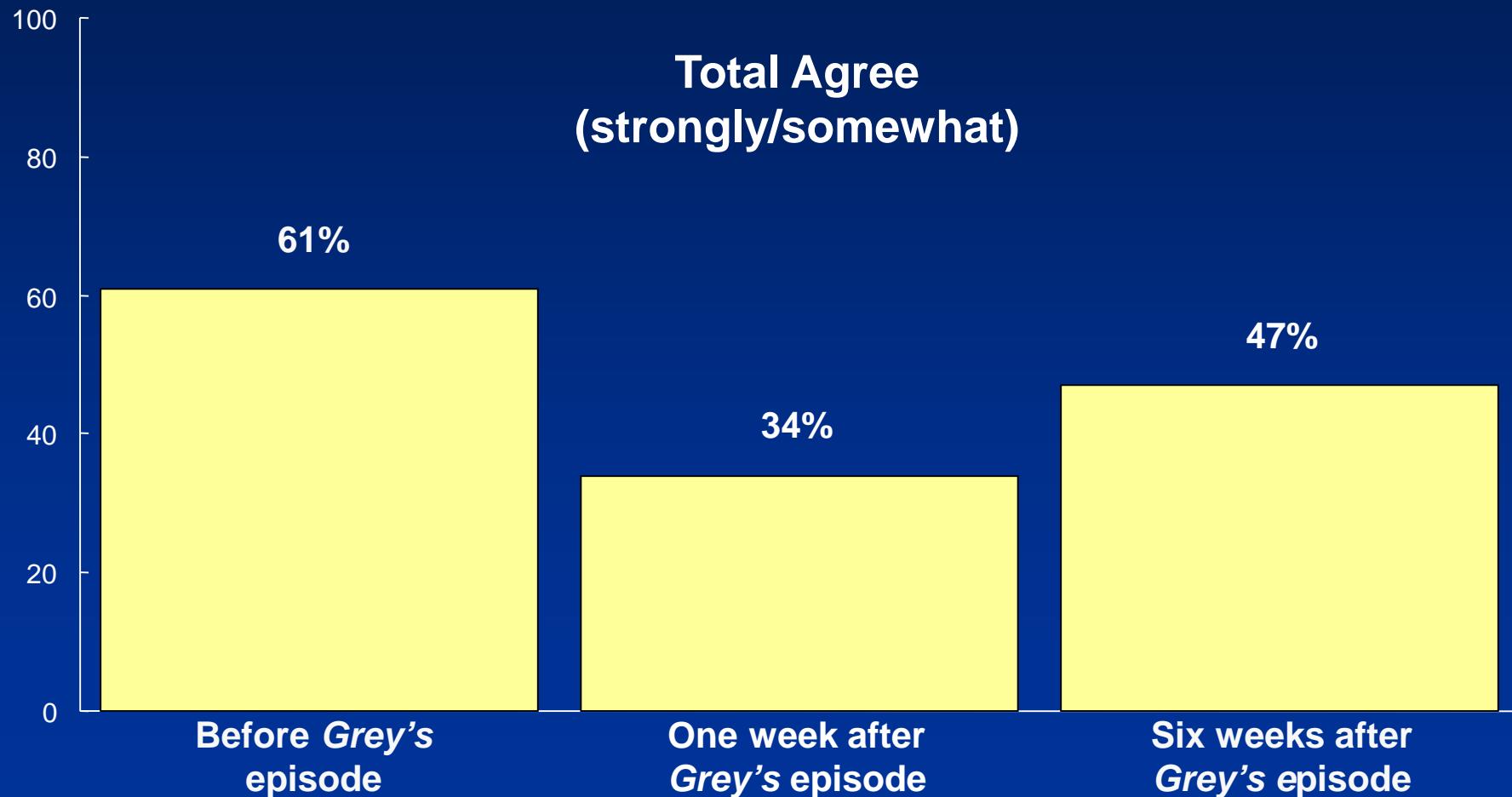
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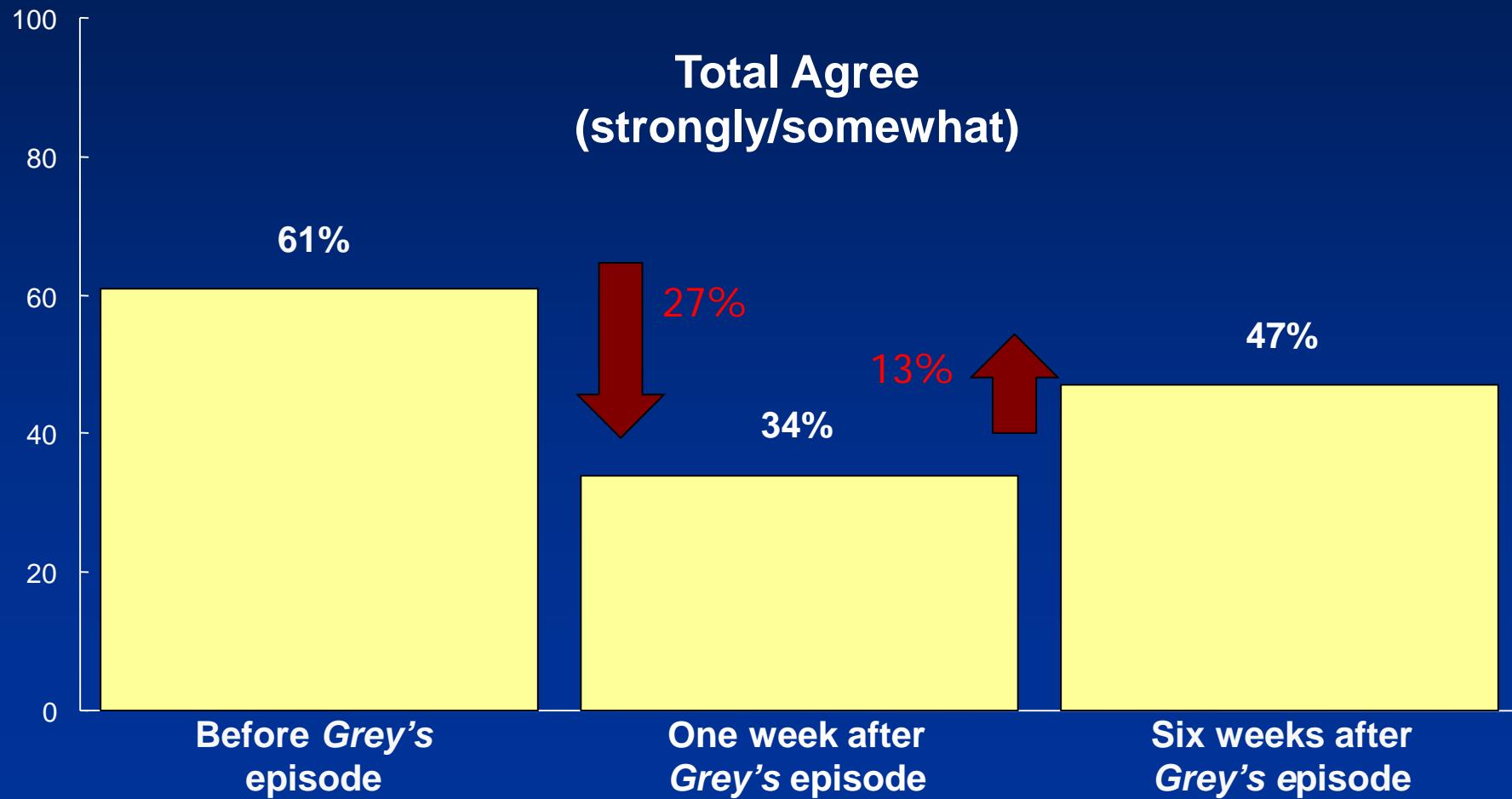
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Advantages of Content Integration

- It can be very effective in communicating information and affecting attitudes
- You can reach a large audience quickly
- You can target your audience effectively – instead of having to attract them to your content, put your content where their eyeballs already are

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