July 22, 2022



# Survey of Likely General Election Voters National

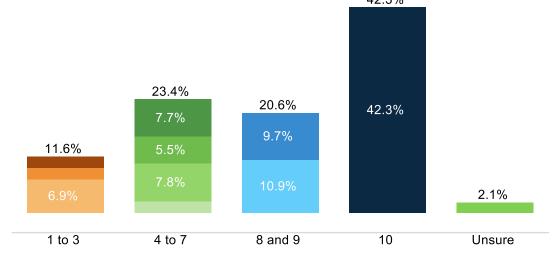
July 18 – 20, 2022 | n=5,841 | ±1.29%

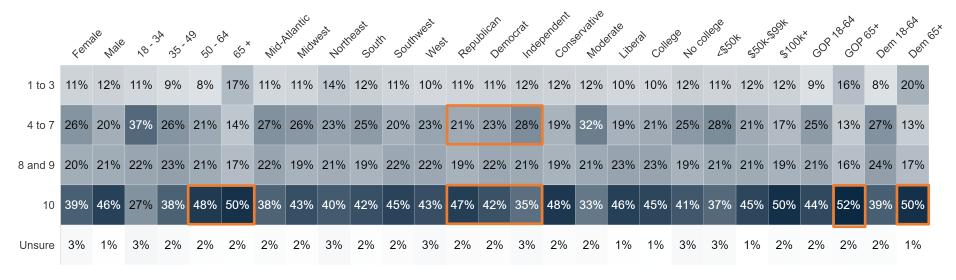
## **Insights & Analysis**

- The sentiment surrounding the direction of the country (RD/WT) and economic direction continues a
  downward trend to the most intense we have seen all cycle. Wrong direction is now -46.
  - Even among Democrats, a majority believe the US is off on the wrong track, intensifying from 49-46 (+3) in June.
- The generic ballot has dipped for Republicans post-Dobbs despite widespread negative sentiment surrounding the economy and Joe Biden, slipping to R+1 (R+4 in June).
- Biden's net image improved slightly from the cycle low, now at -12 (-14 in June), while Trump's image remains steady overall but saw a drop since June among Independents.
  - Biden bears the brunt of the blame (35%) for inflation and recession fears.
- The top issue, Inflation (40%), has dropped off slightly from its high of 47% in June. Inflation is having a significant impact on nearly half of voters, especially non-college voters and <\$50k earners.</li>
  - Securing the Border is a distant second (11%), but 16% of voters place it as their second priority while all
    other issues fail to break 10%.
  - Independents' top priorities are nearly identically aligned with Republicans, and they do not show
    the same concern for abortion as Ds.
- The contrast ballot dropped to R+4 (Republican check-and-balance on Biden).
- Voters lean in favor of protecting abortion access post-Dobbs, 34% want abortion protected at the state level compared to 24% who want more restrictions.
  - Abortion is not significant to Independents who still care much more about inflation. Nearly half of Independents do not base their vote on a candidate's abortion stance.
- Economic confidence has improved from its all time low in June, 65-32 voters still feel things are getting worse.
  - Independents are more concerned (67-30), and Democrats have grown more pessimistic, now 43-53.
- Voters are much more concerned with the economic impact of COVID than the health impact.



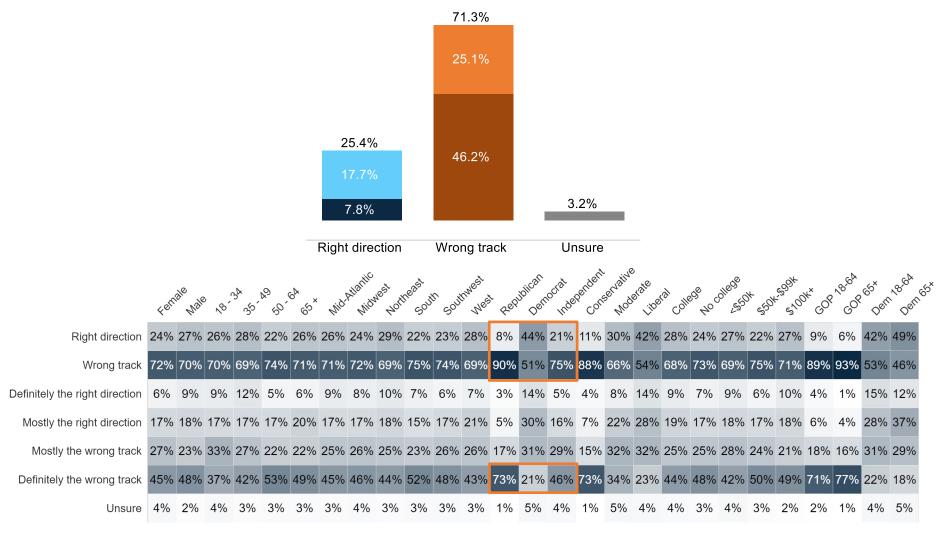
Republicans more enthusiastic about voting; Independents and younger voters less so





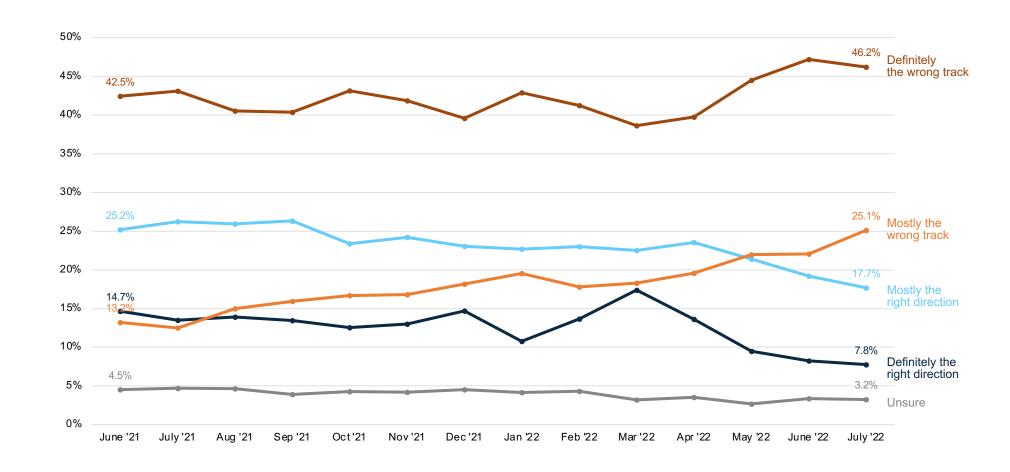


# Pessimism about country's direction intensifies further; majority of Democrats now even say wrong track





# **RD/WT Trend**





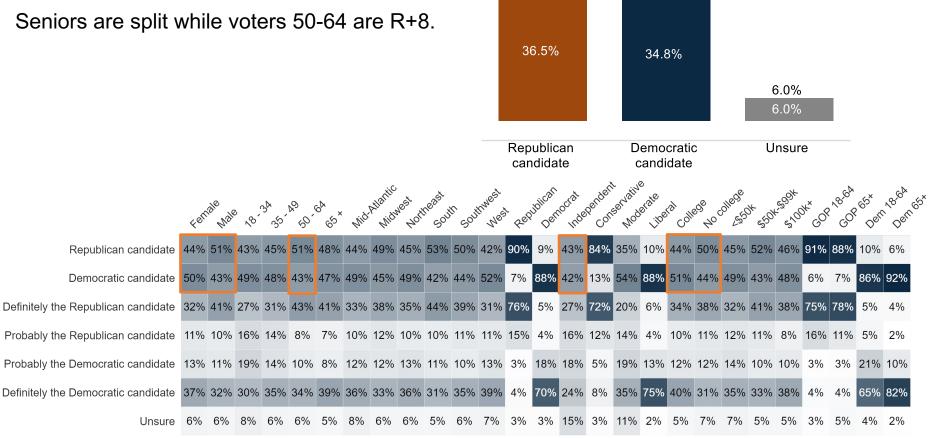
## GOP dips post-Dobbs, R+1 generic ballot; Democrats gain back some female voters since June, now +6

47.3%

10.7%

46.7%

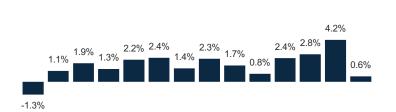
Seniors are split while voters 50-64 are R+8.



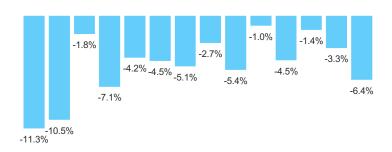


## Democrat's regaining lost ground with women

Overall (%Rep-%Dem)



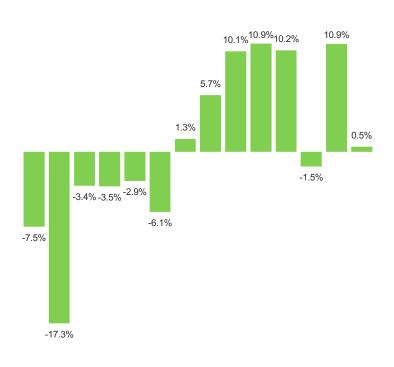
#### Females (%Rep-%Dem)



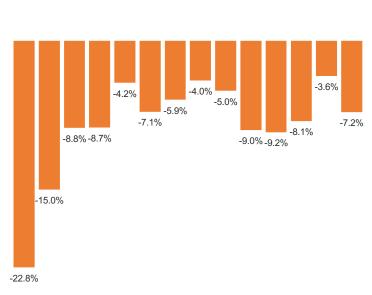


## Massive drop-off from Independents similar to after the Dobbs leak occurred

#### Indies (%Rep-%Dem)

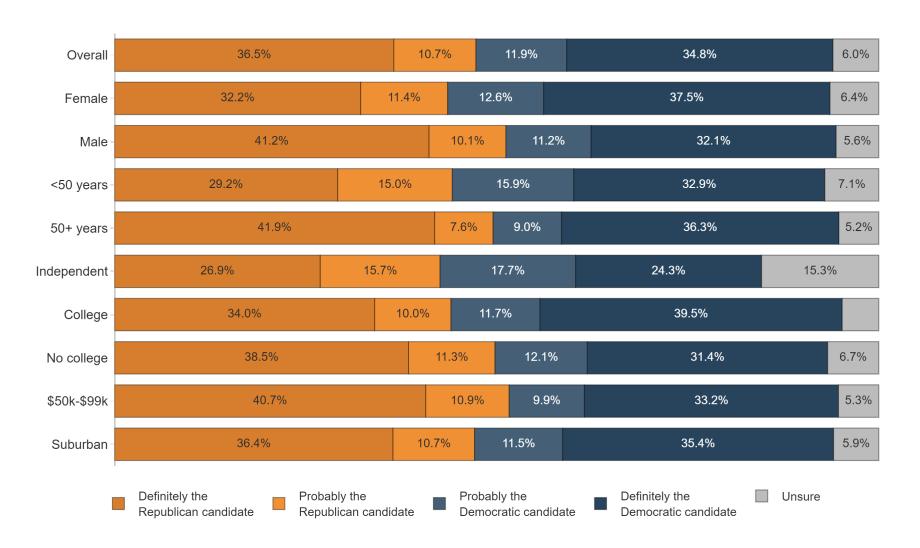


#### College (%Rep-%Dem)



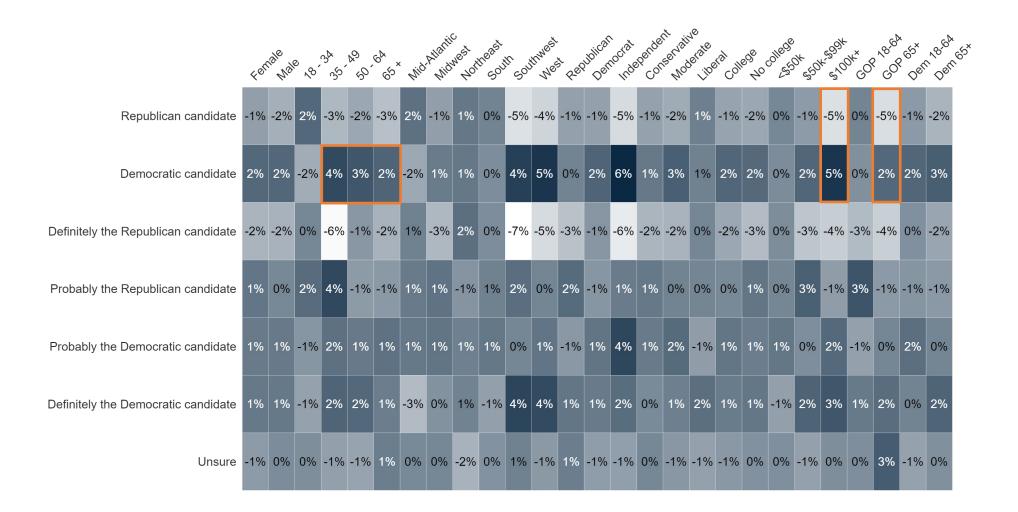


## GOP boosted by men and older voters; Independents now split



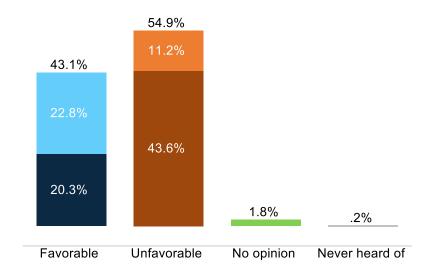


## **Generic Ballot Change: June to July 2022**





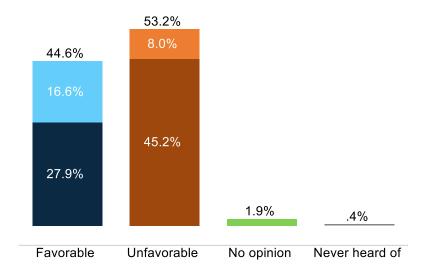
## Biden improves slightly with Independents and seniors



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No Opinion	2%	1%	4%	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	3%	2%	2%	1%	1%	3%	1%	3%	1%	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%
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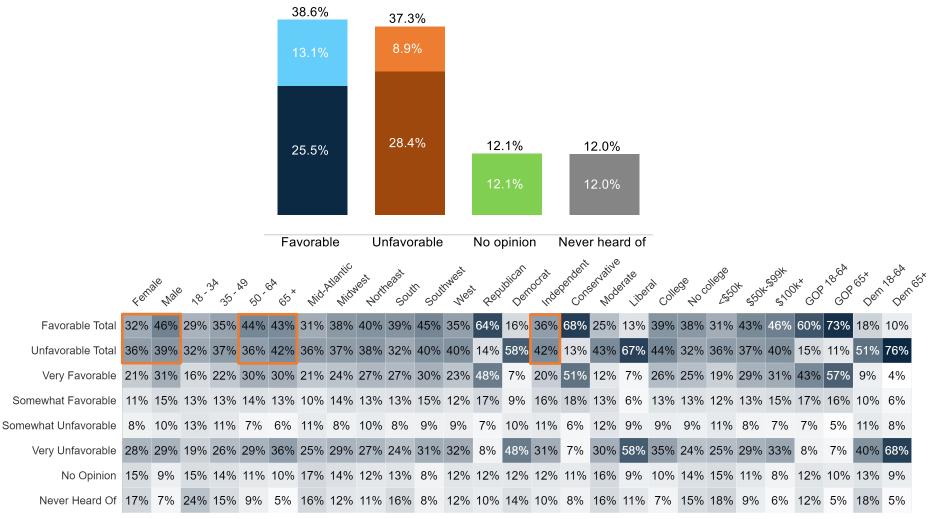
## Trump image stable, lost ground with Independents since June



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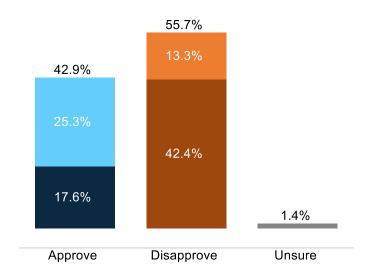


# DeSantis boosted by men, voters 50-64; women & seniors split; not all women have formed an opinion of him yet





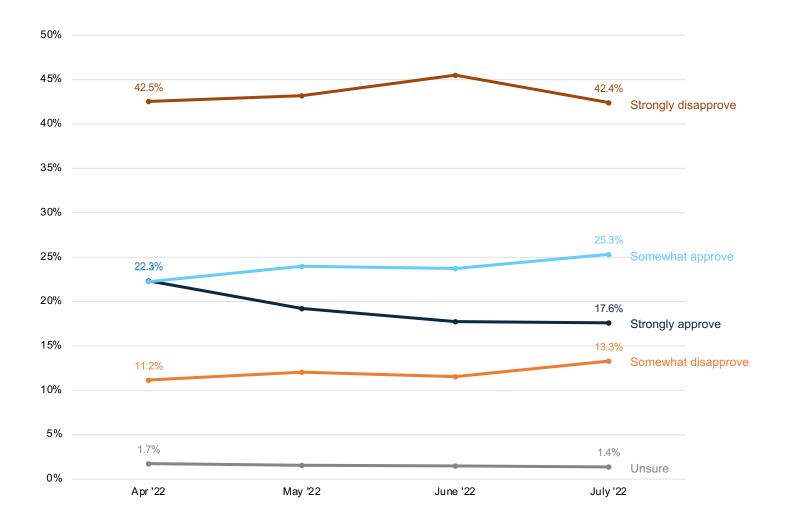
### Independents' disapproval of Biden has softened but still significant



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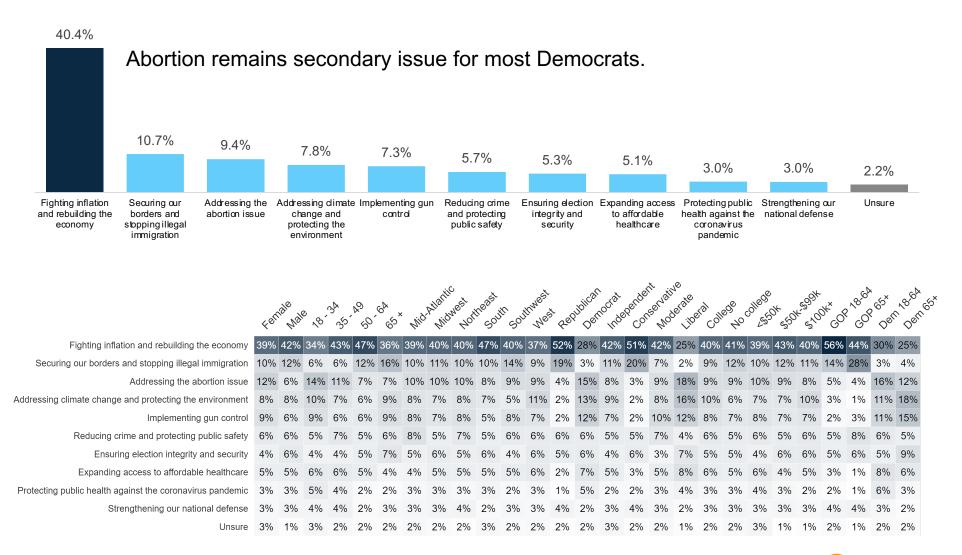


# **Biden Approval Trend**



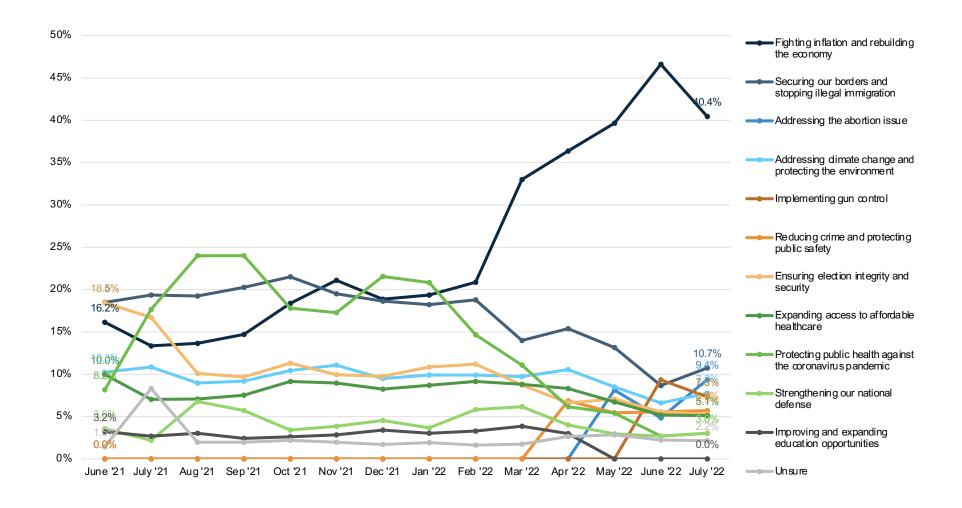


### Inflation followed by illegal immigration for GOP and seniors





# **Top Priority Trend**



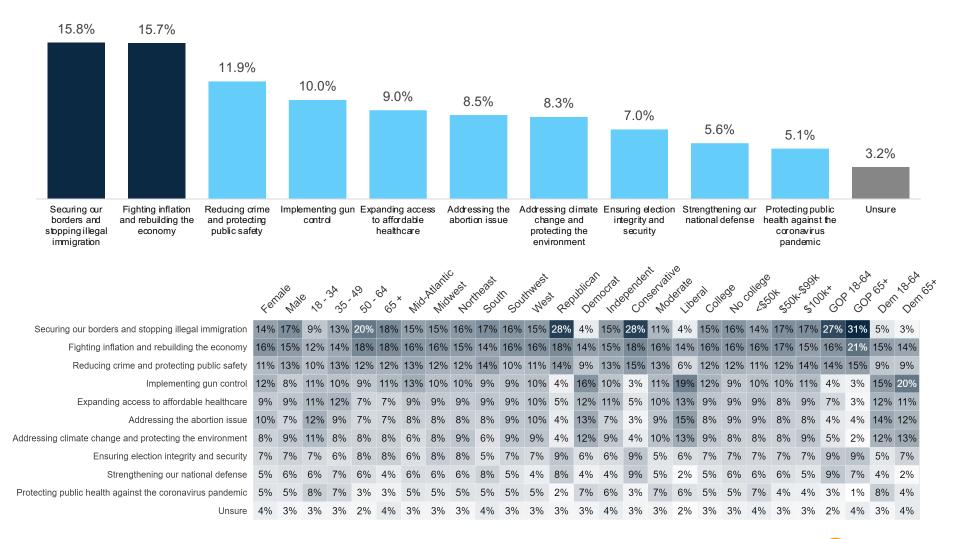


# **Top Priority Change: June to July 2022**

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Securing our borders and stopping illegal immigration	2%	2%	0%	0%	3%	4%	2%	4%	3%	0%	3%	1%	3%	0%	3%	4%	2%	-1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	3%	2%	6%	0%	1%
Addressing the abortion issue	6%	2%	7%	6%	3%	3%	6%	5%	5%	3%	5%	4%	1%	8%	3%	0%	5%	10%	4%	5%	6%	4%	3%	2%	0%	8%	7%
Addressing climate change and protecting the environment	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	0%	2%	0%	2%	0%	2%	2%	0%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	6%
Implementing gun control	-3%	-1%	-1%	-4%	-2%	-2%	-2%	-2%	0%	-4%	-1%	-2%	0%	-5%	0%	-1%	-1%	-5%	-2%	-2%	-3%	-2%	-1%	0%	0%	-5%	-5%
Reducing crime and protecting public safety	0%	0%	-1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%	-2%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	-1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	-1%	1%	0%	1%
Ensuring election integrity and security	-1%	0%	-1%	-1%	0%	0%	-1%	0%	0%	0%	-2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	-2%	1%	-1%	0%	-1%	1%	-2%	-1%	1%	0%	-1%
Expanding access to affordable healthcare	0%	0%	-2%	0%	1%	0%	-1%	-1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	-1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	-1%	1%	1%	0%	-1%	1%
Protecting public health against the coronavirus pandemic	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	-1%	2%	-1%	0%	1%	1%	-1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	-1%	0%	1%	2%
Strengthening our national defense	0%	1%	0%	2%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	-1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	-1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%
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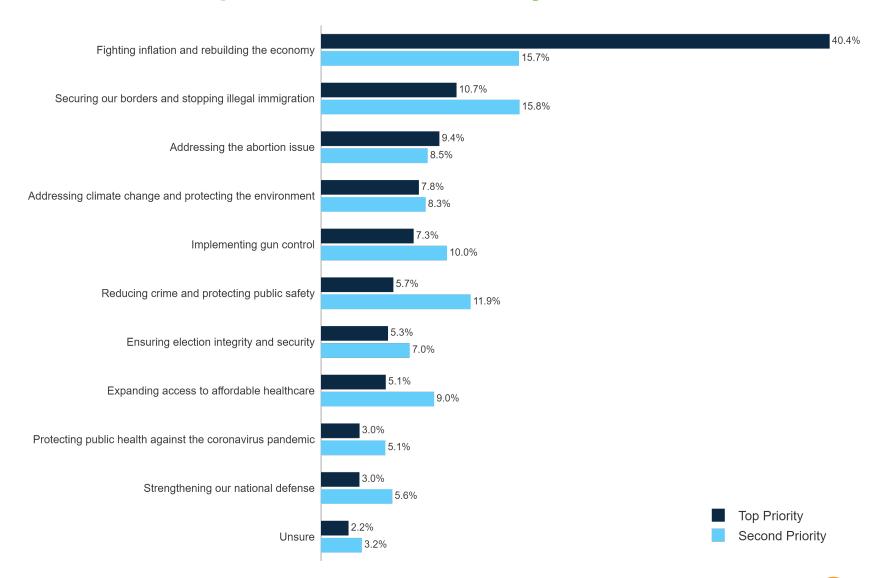


# Securing border 2nd priority, especially voters 50+ and Independents; inflation still high-priority





# **Combined Top and Second Priority**



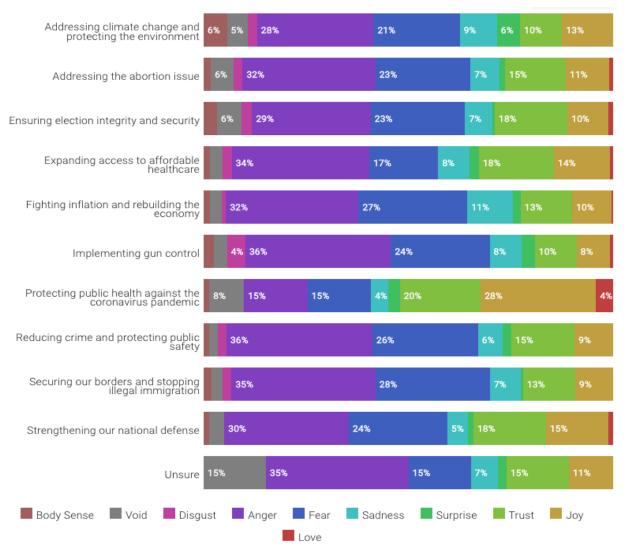


# **Combined Top and Second Priority**

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Securing our borders and stopping illegal immigration	24%	29%	15%	19%	32%	34%	24%	27%	26%	27%	30%	24%	47%	7%	26%	48%	18%	6%	24%	28%	24%	29%	28%	41%	59%	8%	7%
Addressing the abortion issue	22%	13%	27%	20%	14%	15%	18%	18%	18%	15%	18%	19%	8%	28%	15%	6%	18%	33%	18%	18%	19%	17%	16%	9%	7%	30%	24%
Reducing crime and protecting public safety	17%	18%	15%	20%	17%	18%	22%	17%	18%	19%	16%	17%	20%	15%	18%	20%	20%	11%	18%	17%	17%	18%	20%	19%	22%	15%	14%
Implementing gun control	20%	14%	19%	16%	15%	19%	21%	17%	18%	15%	17%	17%	6%	29%	17%	6%	20%	31%	20%	16%	18%	16%	18%	6%	6%	26%	35%
Addressing climate change and protecting the environment	15%	17%	21%	15%	13%	17%	14%	16%	17%	12%	15%	20%	6%	25%	18%	6%	18%	29%	18%	14%	15%	15%	19%	7%	3%	23%	31%
Expanding access to affordable healthcare	14%	14%	17%	18%	12%	11%	13%	14%	14%	14%	14%	16%	8%	19%	16%	8%	16%	22%	15%	13%	15%	13%	14%	10%	4%	20%	17%
Ensuring election integrity and security	11%	14%	11%	10%	13%	15%	10%	14%	13%	11%	11%	13%	14%	11%	11%	15%	8%	13%	12%	13%	11%	13%	13%	14%	15%	9%	16%
Strengthening our national defense	8%	10%	10%	11%	8%	7%	9%	9%	10%	10%	8%	6%	12%	6%	7%	12%	8%	4%	8%	9%	9%	9%	8%	13%	11%	7%	4%
Protecting public health against the coronavirus pandemic	8%	8%	14%	11%	6%	5%	8%	8%	8%	9%	8%	8%	4%	12%	9%	5%	10%	9%	8%	8%	11%	6%	6%	5%	2%	14%	7%
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### Inflation respondents feel anger more than all other emotions

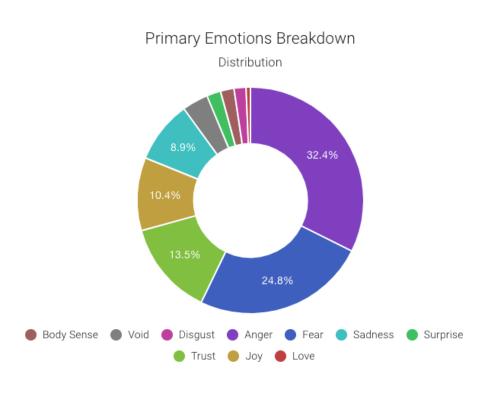




# Anger and anxiety dominate voters' emotions; especially those who care most about inflation

**65%** of responses related to inflation as the top issue were of a **negative** sentiment. Voters' chose **simple words** to express how they feel about inflation in the country right now – "(not) afford", "struggling", "bad", "out-of-control", "crime", "extremely important", and the list goes on. They are **critical** of most everything, full of **rightful anger**, and **resentment** / **disapproval** (all Anger emotions). The primary Fear emotions are **anxiety**, **worry**, **despair**, and **distrust**.



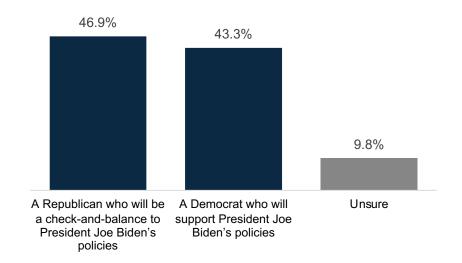


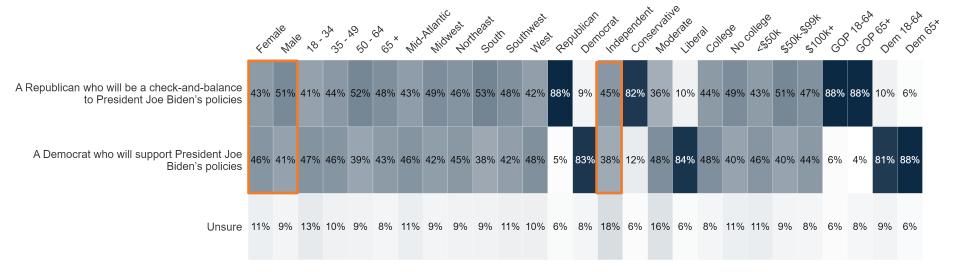




## GOP improves to R+4 when framed as check on Biden

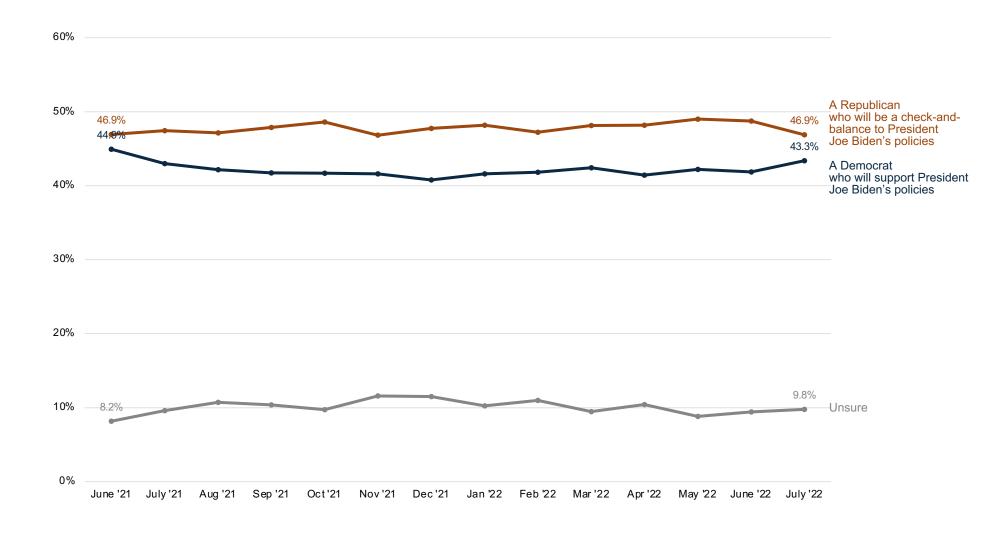
Men and Independents are looking for a check and balance on Joe Biden.





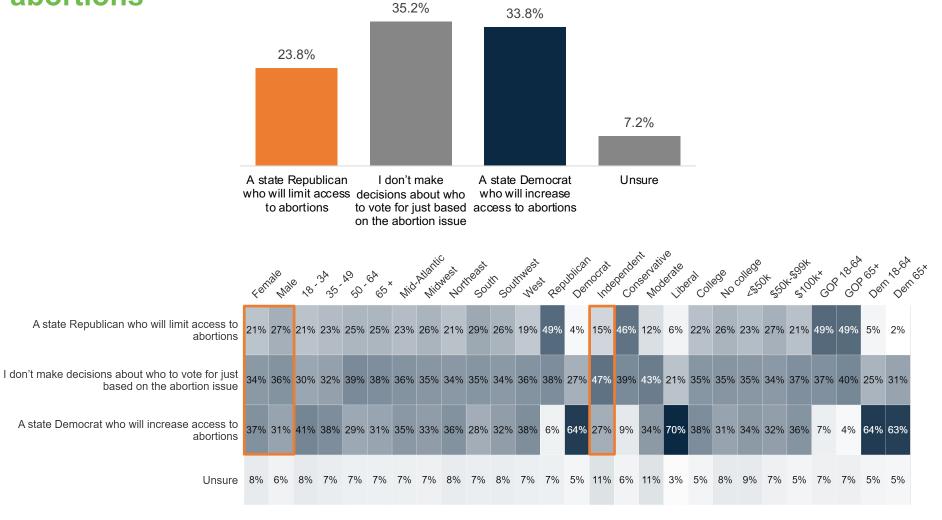


## **Contrast Ballot Trend**



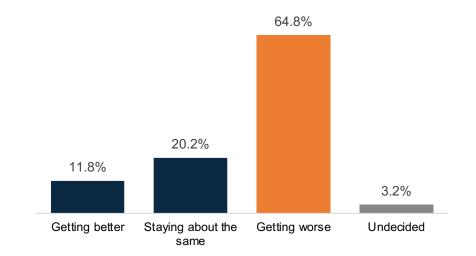


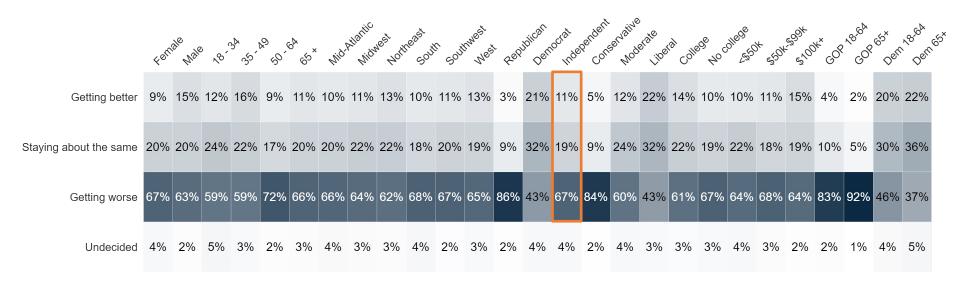
Independents don't base their vote on abortion; only younger voters want a Dem legislative candidate to increase access to abortions





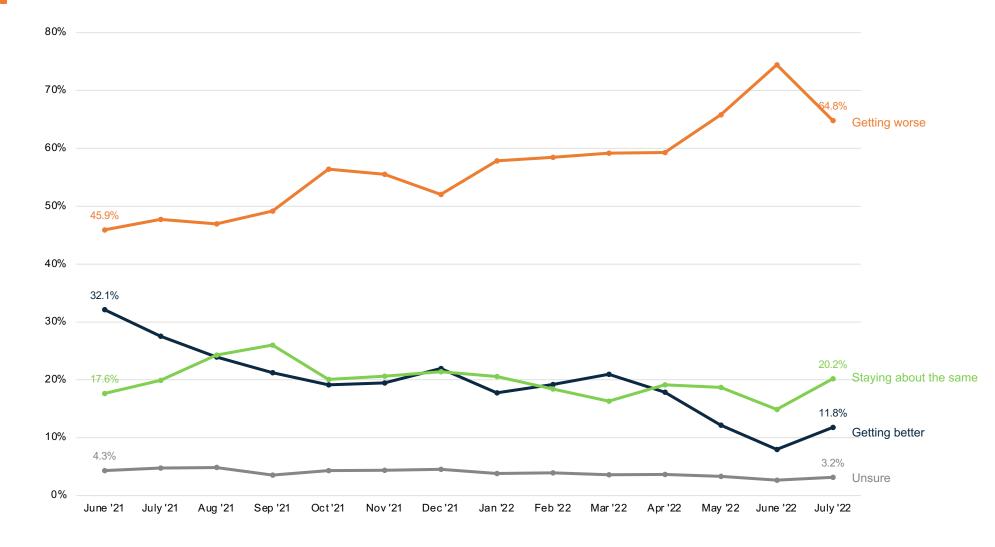
## **Economic outlook slightly improved since June**





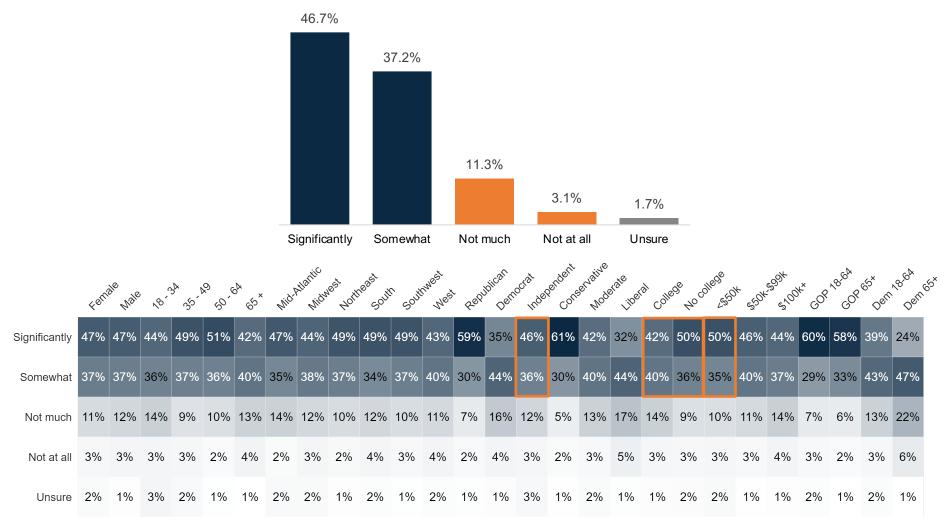


## **Economic Outlook Trend**



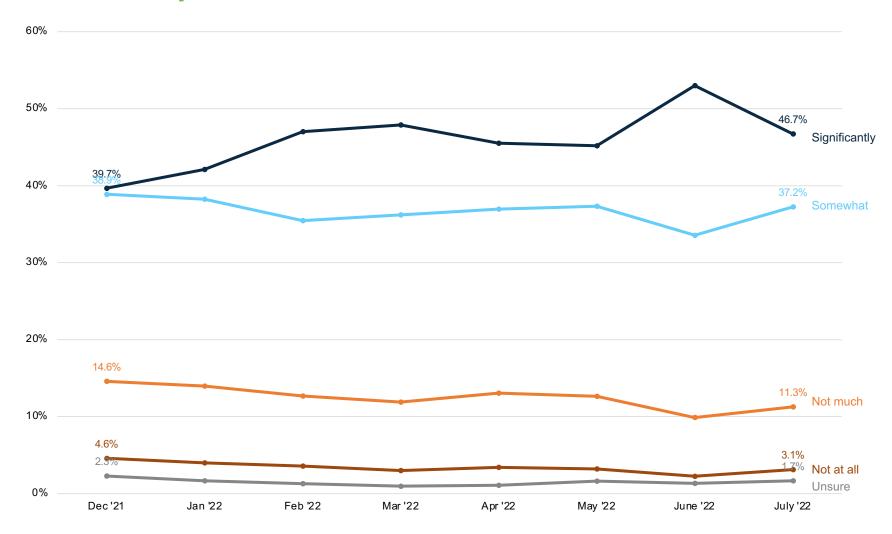


## Inflation impact down slightly, still felt hardest among noncollege voters, <\$50k earners





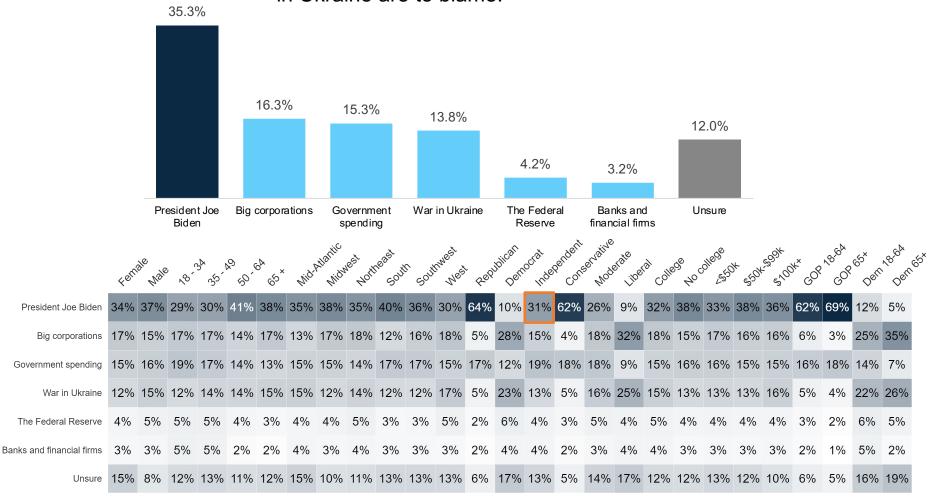
# **Inflation Impact Trend**





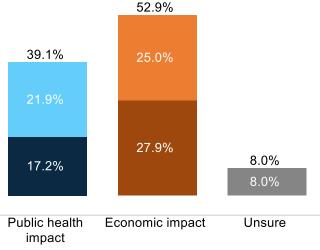
#### Biden bears brunt of blame for recession fears

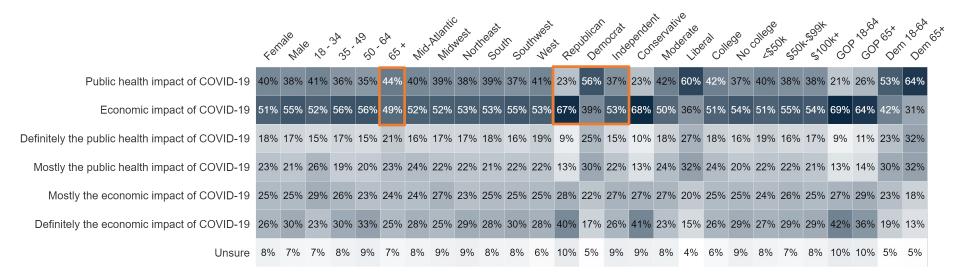
Democrats are only ones who believe corporations and the War in Ukraine are to blame.





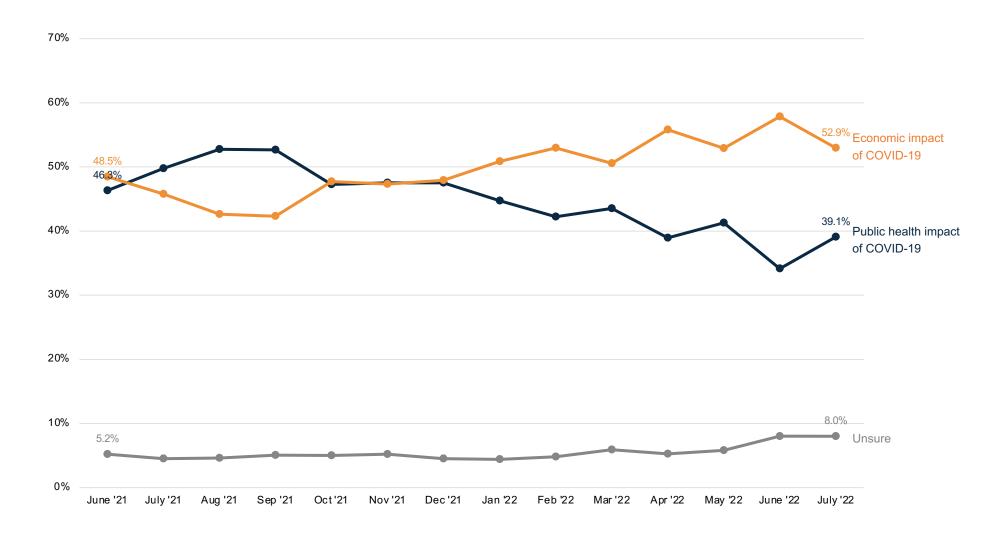
Majority more concerned with economic impact, seniors and Dems say public health 52.9%







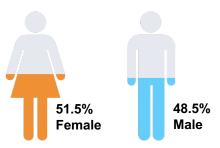
# **Covid Concern Trend**





### **Demographics**

#### Sex

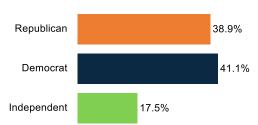


#### **Education**

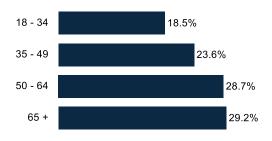


57.6% have no college degree

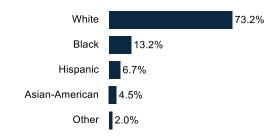
#### **Partisanship**



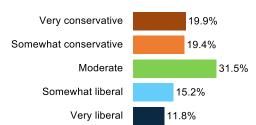
#### **Age Range**



#### Race



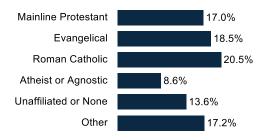
#### Ideology



#### **Household Income**



#### Religion



#### Geo - Region

