

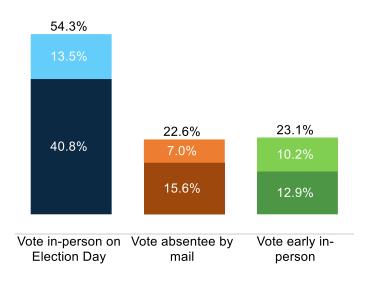
Survey of Likely General Election Voters National

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Insights & Analysis

- Coming off an all-time low in April, Americans are slightly less pessimistic about the direction of the country with 67% saying the country is on the wrong track.
- The **generic Congressional ballot** is now **tied** (down from R+2 in April). Independents continue a strong lean towards Republicans at R+8. Women continue to prefer Democrats.
- President Biden's image remains deep underwater as he prepares to announce his re-election bid (-12 net fav, same as April) while former President Trump's image is up after the CNN Town Hall (-7 net fav in May, -15 net fav in April). Trump is slightly more favorable to Independents than Biden.
- Florida Governor Ron DeSantis' image is stagnant at -1 net fav (April: -3 fav) as he remains underwater with Independents, while college-educated men and \$75k+earners are split on his image.
- Inflation remains the overwhelming top issue, holding steady from last month. It's now followed by illegal immigration, largely driven by voters 55+, and gun control, which was slightly ahead of illegal immigration in April. Republicans and Independents are mostly concerned about inflation.
- Trump now reaches majority (52%) in a GOP primary over DeSantis (21%). Biotech entrepreneur and political newcomer Vivek Ramaswamy (5%) rises to third as he narrowly surpasses Haley and Pence.
- Potential 2024 Presidential general election matchups:
 - Biden leads Trump 47% / 45% with 9% undecided (+1 margin movement for Biden from April)
 - Biden now also leads DeSantis at 45% / 44% with 11% undecided (tied at 45% in April)
- A majority of voters (63%) support multiple education options for children, including 52% of Democrats.
- A near majority (48%) oppose increasing the debt ceiling without cutting government spending, including a majority of Republicans and Independents. 42% overall support including 67% of Democrats.
- 52% overall **support extending Title 42** with support coming across the electorate aside from Democrats, who lean oppose +7.76% of Republicans and half of Independents oppose.
- Both parties are considered as more extreme at an even rate (44%). Democrats are more likely to call themselves more extreme (22%) than Republicans (17%). Independents say Republicans are slightly more extreme than Democrats.

Majority of Americans plan to vote on election day

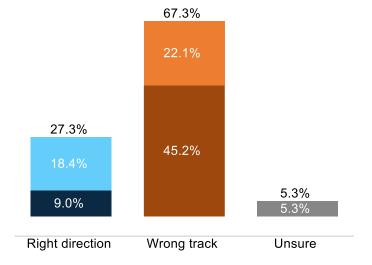


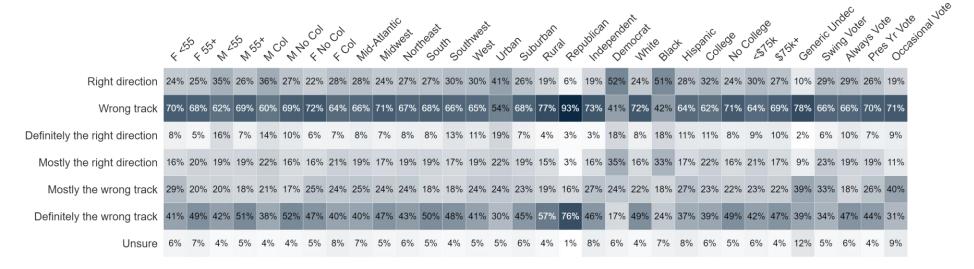
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Americans are slightly less pessimistic after a previous low

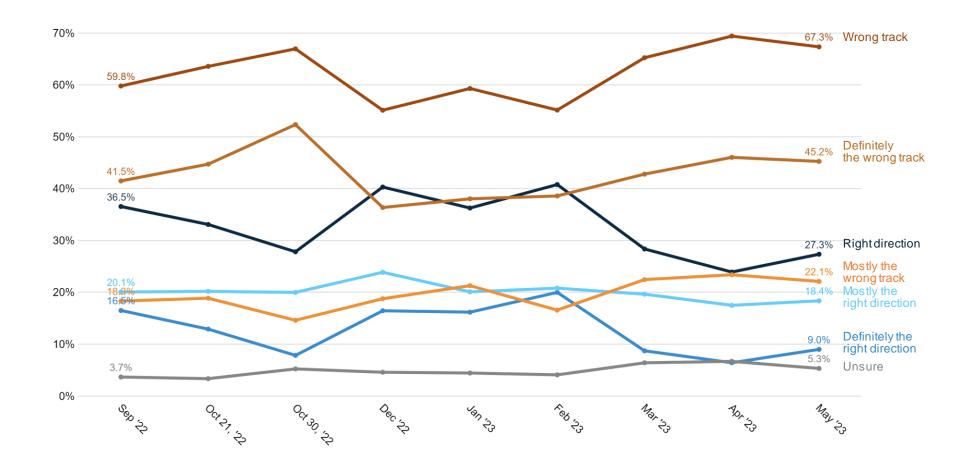
- After all-time high of wrong track sentiment in April, voters are slightly less pessimistic.
- Democrats and African Americans are the now optimistic overall.
- Younger men increased in optimism.







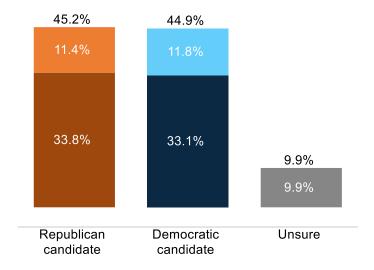
Trend: US Direction

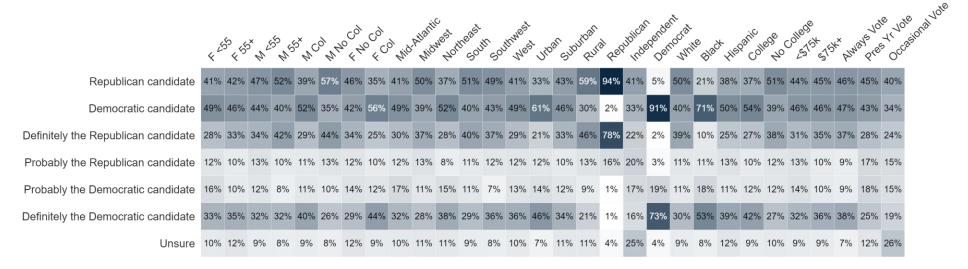




Generic ballot returns to a dead heat after GOP lead in April

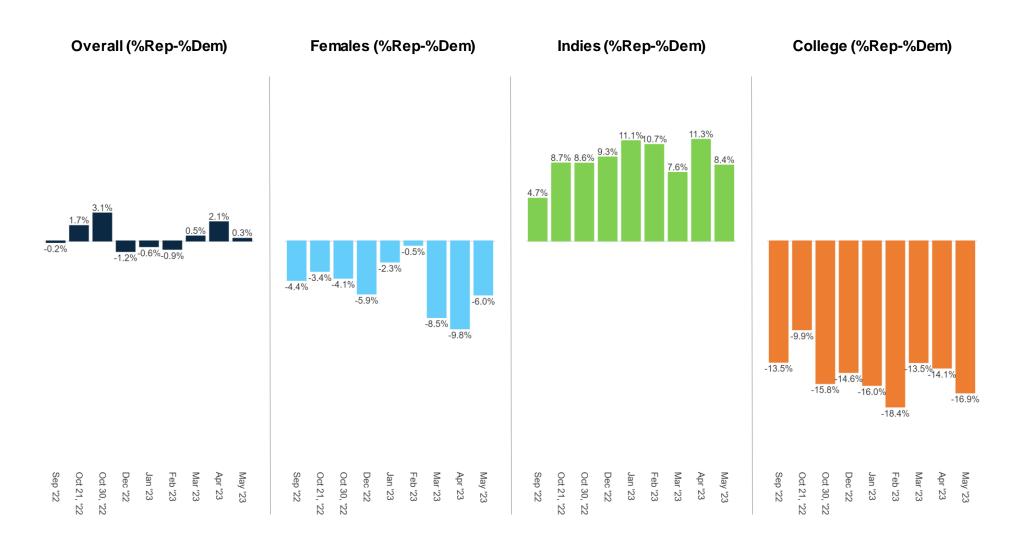
- Independents are now R+8 (April: R+12) on the ballot.
- Younger women slightly shifted back toward the GOP while men with a degree moved toward the Democrat.





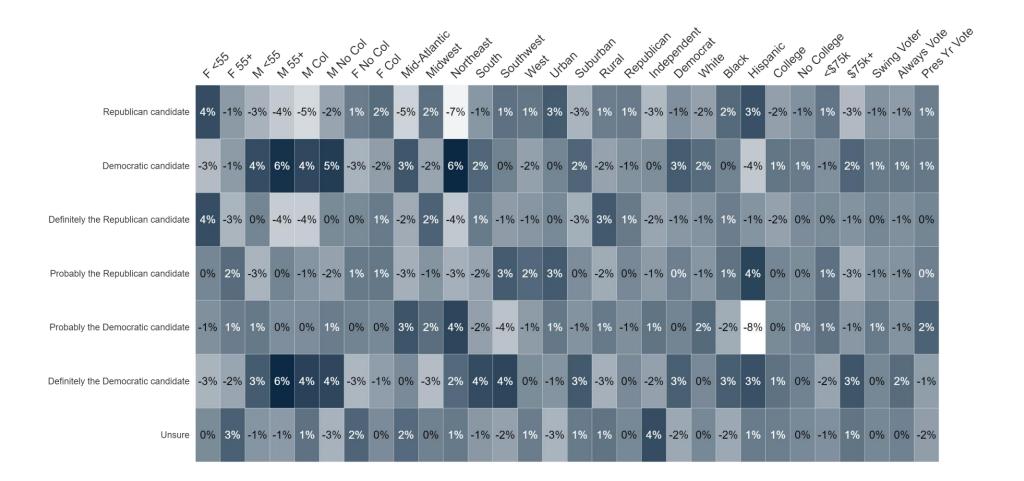


Generic Ballot Movement





Percent Change: Generic Ballot (Apr 2023 to May 2023)





Generic Ballot by Key Voter Groups

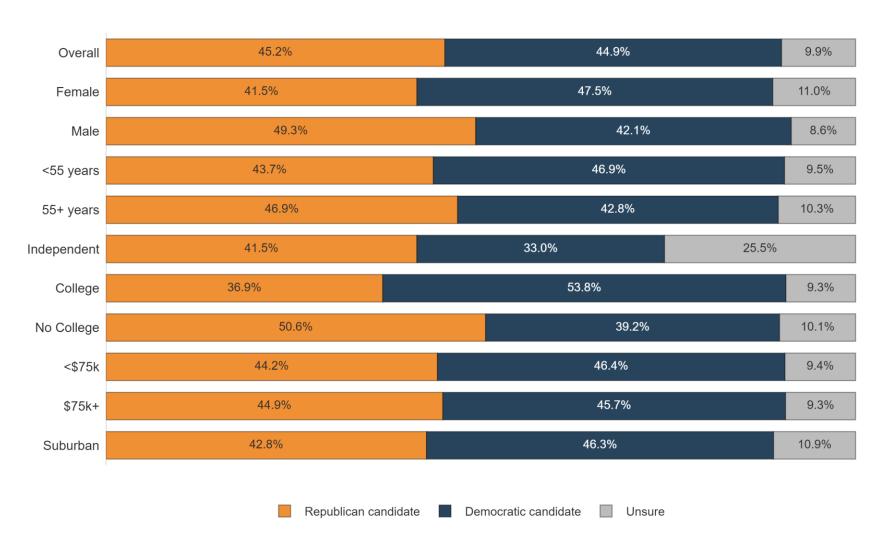




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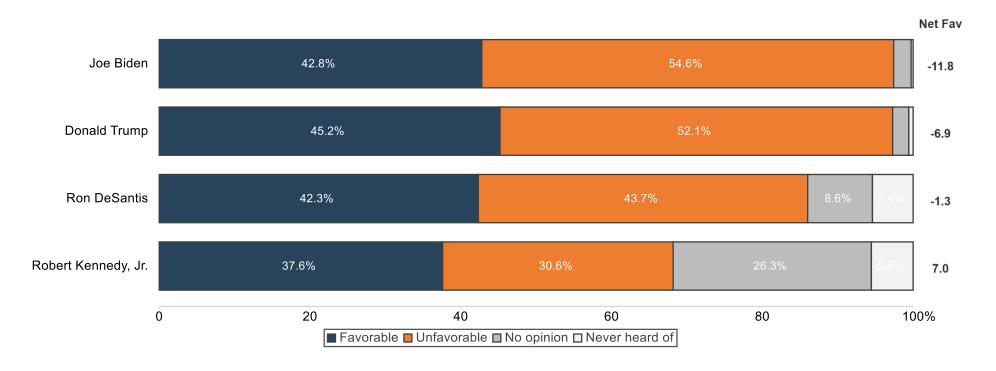
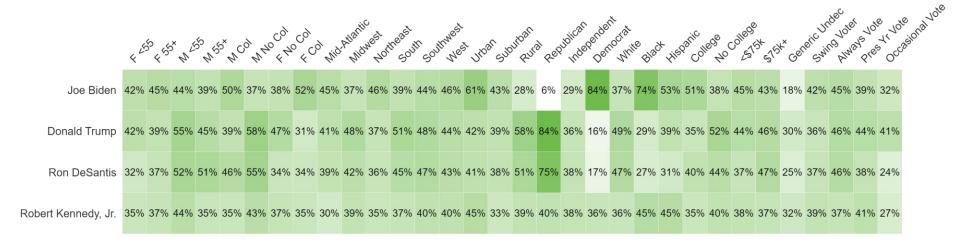




Image Tests Heatmaps

Favorable



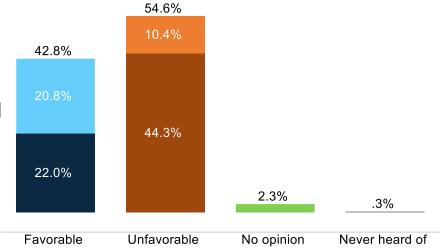
Unfavorable

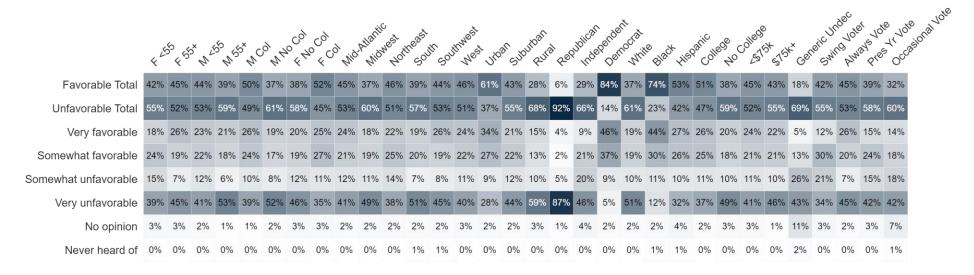




Biden unfavorable image steady from April numbers

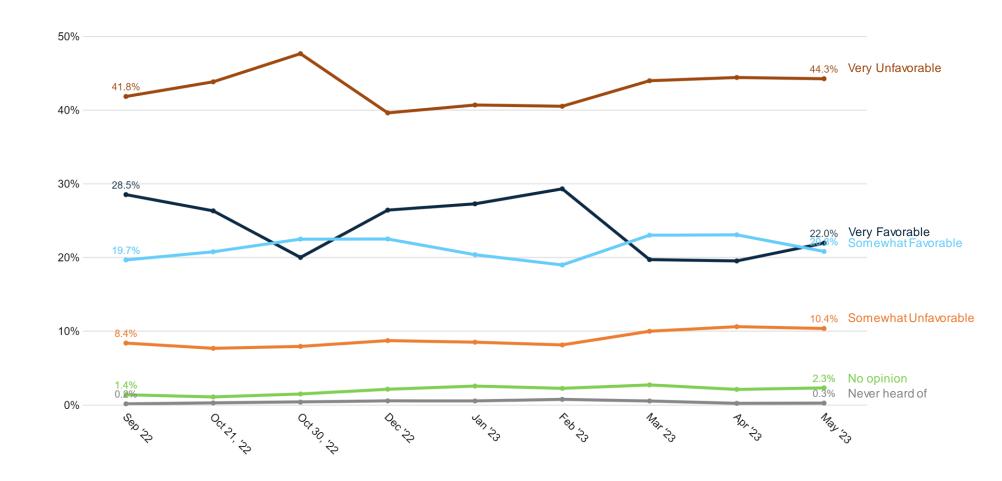
- Hispanics slowly drifted back to Joe Biden, while Black voters are solidly behind him.
- College-educated men now split on Biden.
- Unfavs for Biden is growing in the Northeast and among women under 55.
- Men and non-college voters continue to have a sour image of Biden compared to women and college-educated voters.







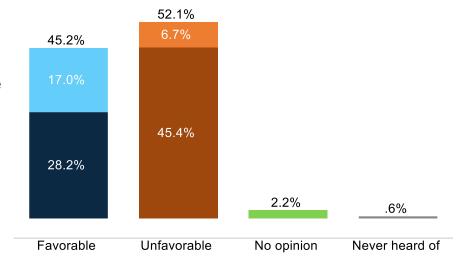
Trend: Joe Biden Image

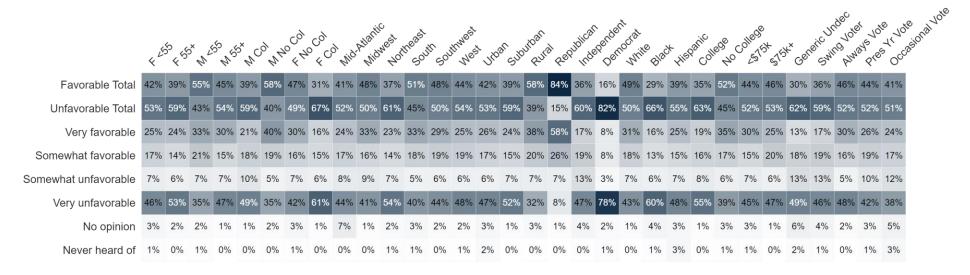




Trump image is up, especially with men and lower educated

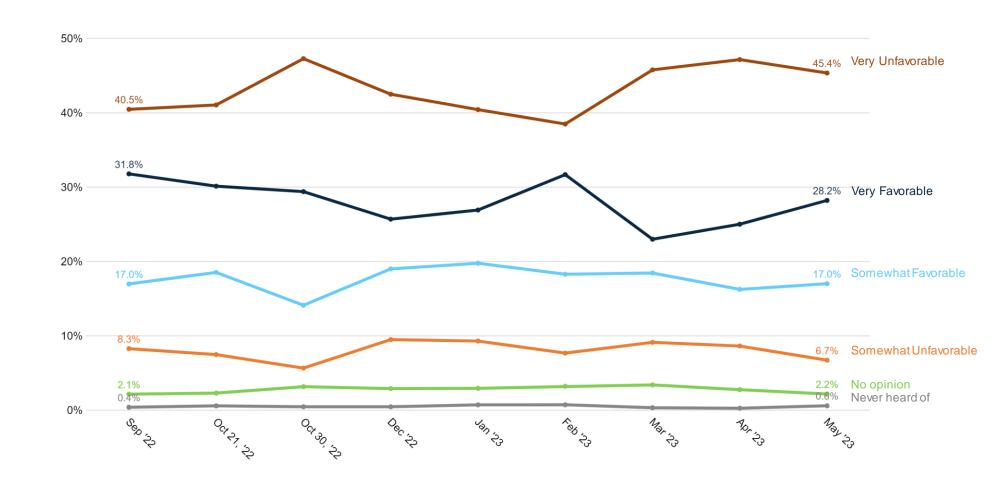
- Trump's image has grown more favorable and is now ahead of Biden after the CNN spot.
- Women without a degree and in the Midwest are now split.
- The South is now favorable to Trump.





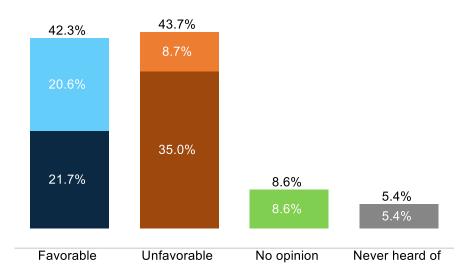


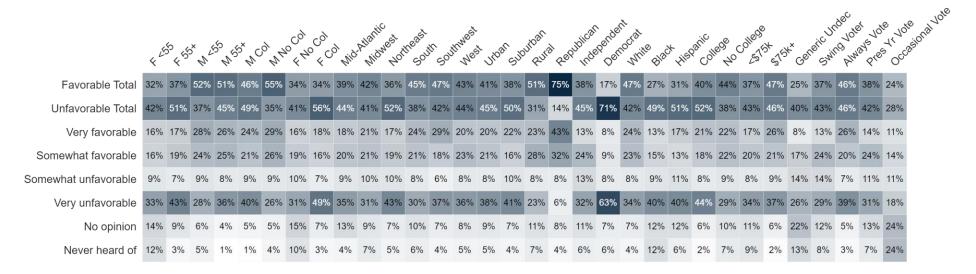
Trend: Donald Trump Image





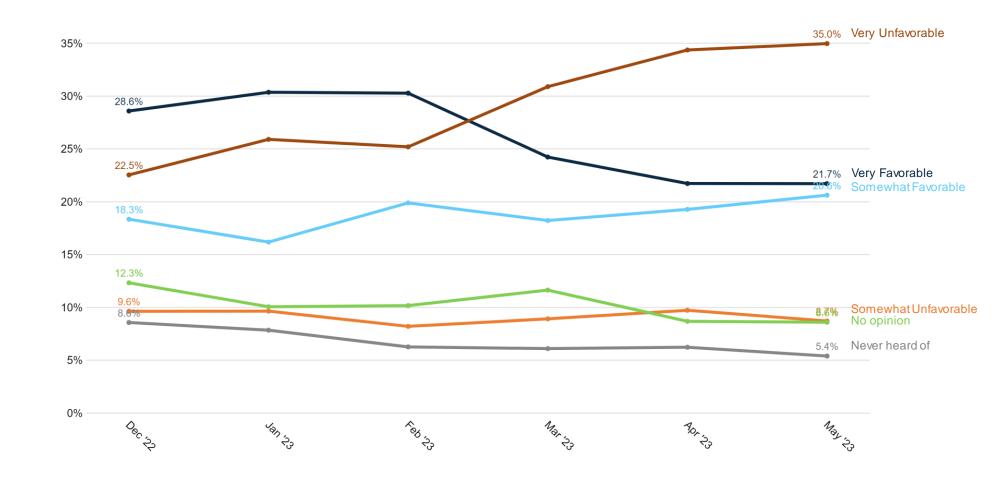
DeSantis image is stagnant from April data





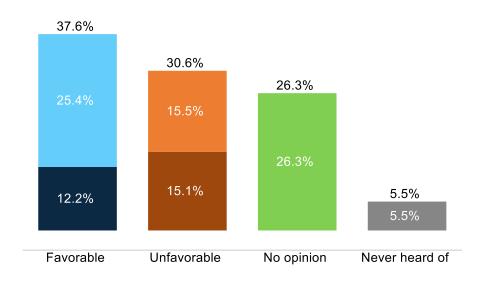


Trend: Ron DeSantis Image





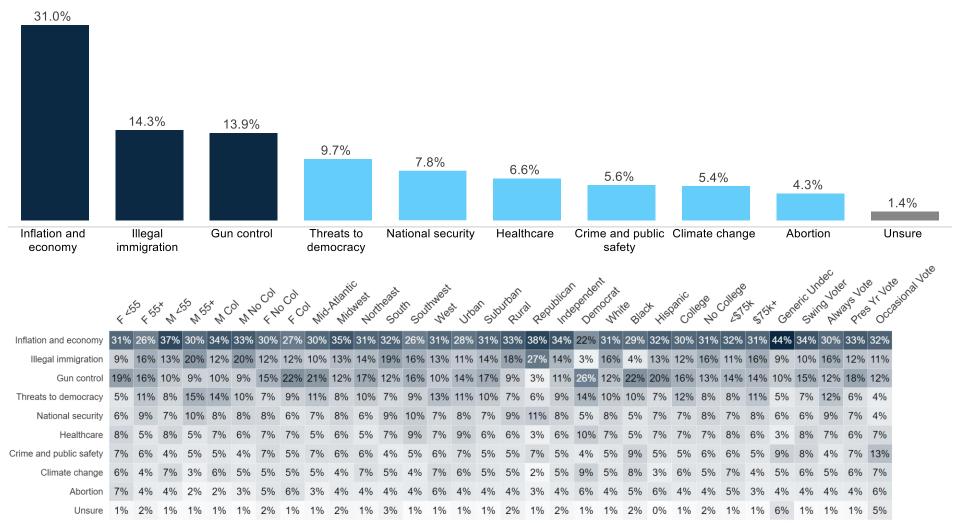
RFK Jr. is most favorable to GOP, image is 1:1 with Dems



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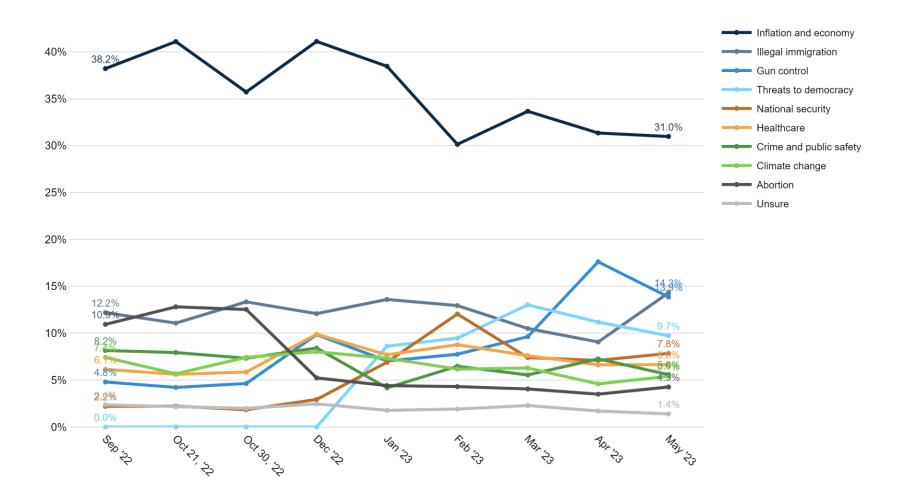


Inflation steady on top, illegal immigration now ahead of gun control



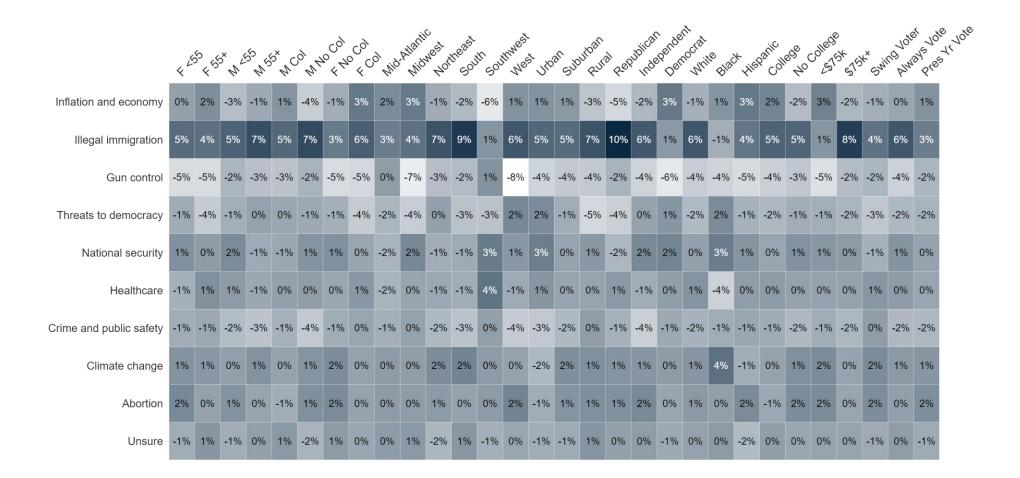


Trend: Top Priority



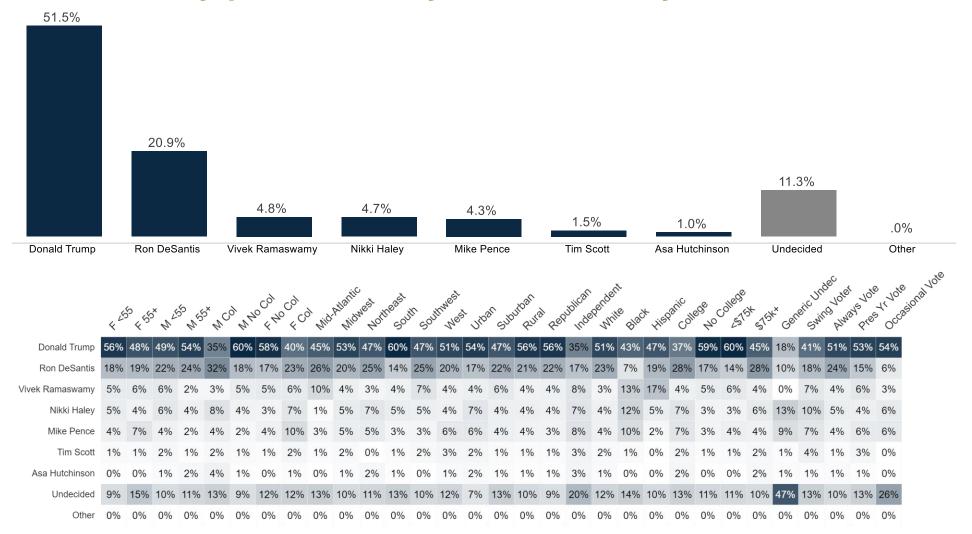


Percent Change: Top Priority (Apr 2023 to May 2023)



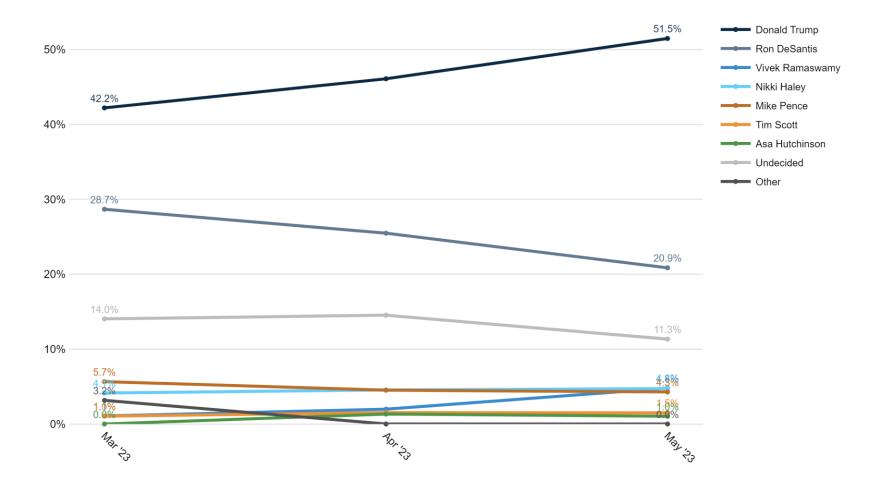


Trump now reaches majority with GOP voters after CNN hit; Ramaswamy pulls narrowly ahead of Haley and Pence





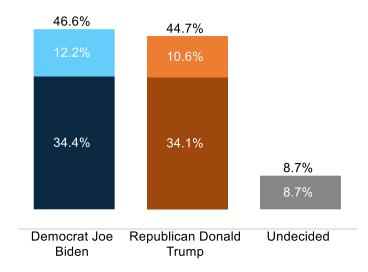
Trend: GOP Prez Primary Ballot

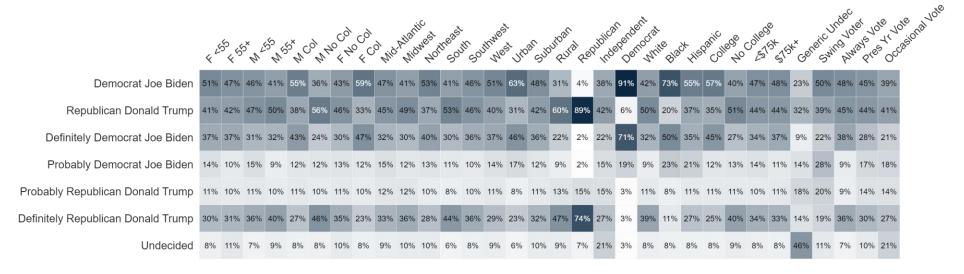




2020 presidential rematch consistent at Biden +2

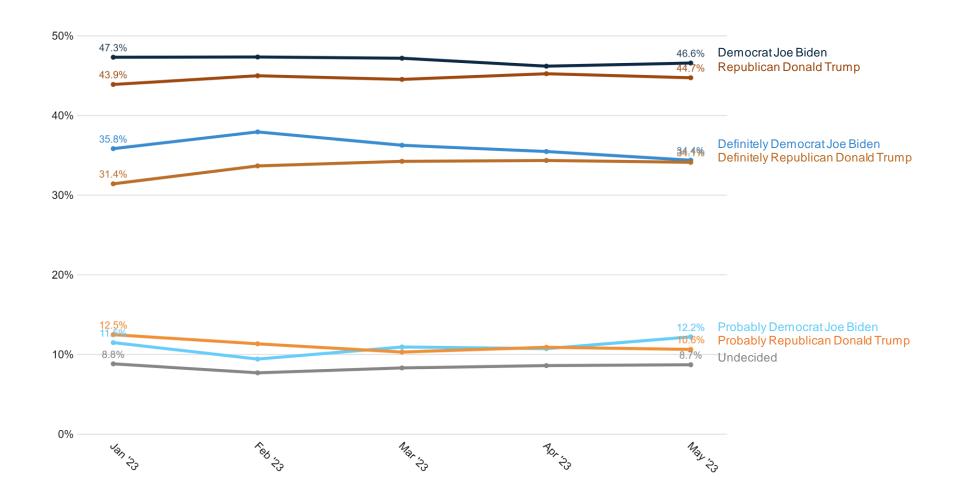
- Independent voters are now Trump +6 after being Trump +5 last month.
- Trump has caught up most with women while college-educated men shifted more in favor of Biden.







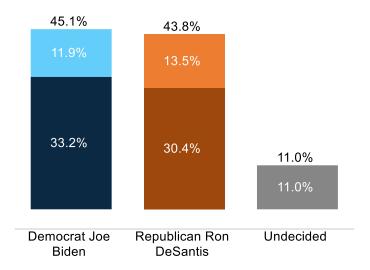
Trend: Biden v Trump

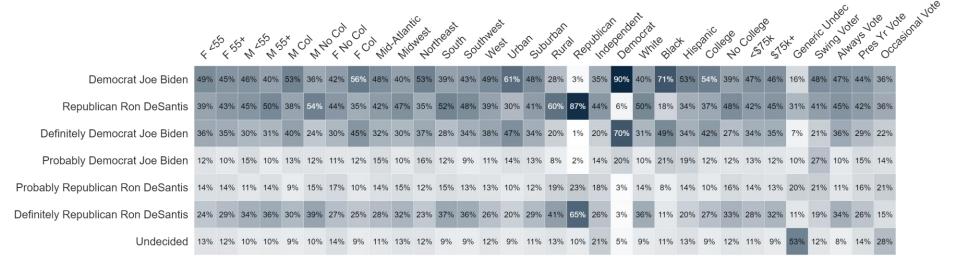




Biden also remains barely ahead of DeSantis

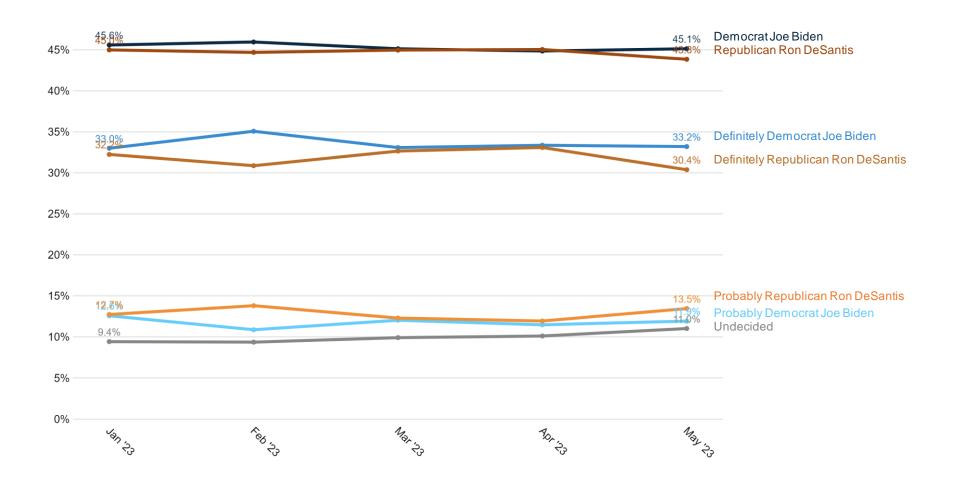
- Independent voters remain at DeSantis
 +9 after last month's survey.
- DeSantis performs better than Trump among women and voters with a degree while he underperforms trump with voters without a degree.





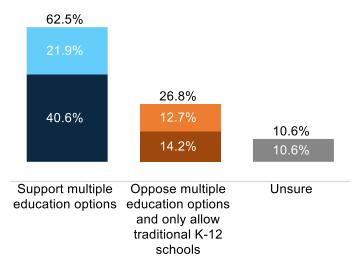


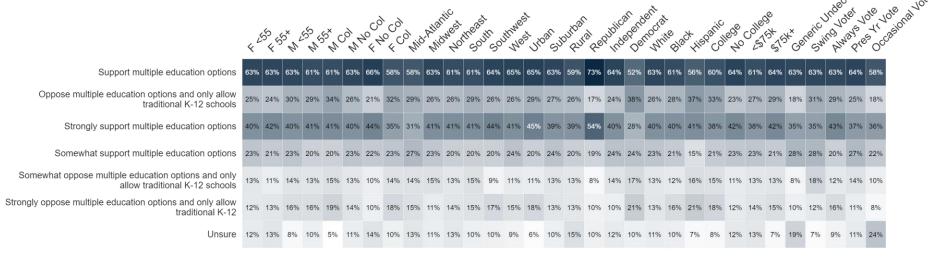
Trend: Biden v DeSantis





Even a majority of even Democrats support multiple education options

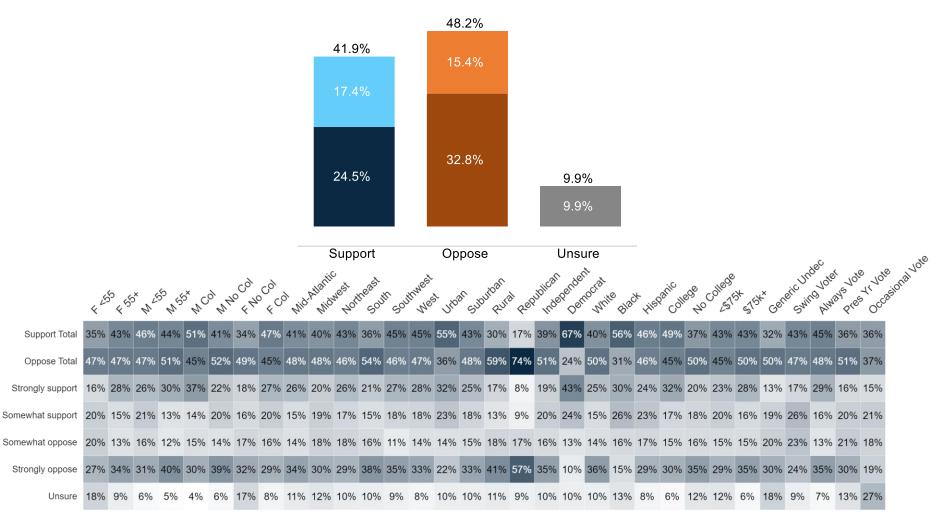




Education options give parents the right to use the tax dollars designated for their child's education to have their child attend the public or private school which best serves their needs. Generally speaking, would you say you support or oppose the concept of having education options?



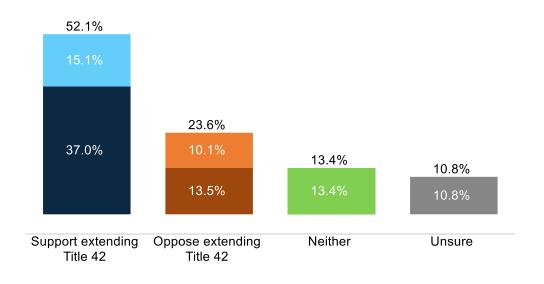
A near majority oppose increasing the debt ceiling without cutting government spending

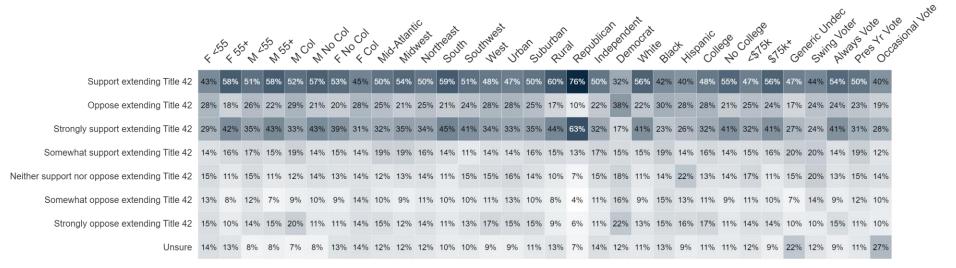


The debt ceiling is the borrowing limit of debt the federal government can incur without additional authorization from Congress. The federal government has reached its debt ceiling and will likely begin to default on its debt obligations sometime this summer if the debt ceiling is not increased. Knowing this, do you support or oppose Congress increasing the debt ceiling without cutting government spending?



A clear majority support extending Title 42, just Dems oppose

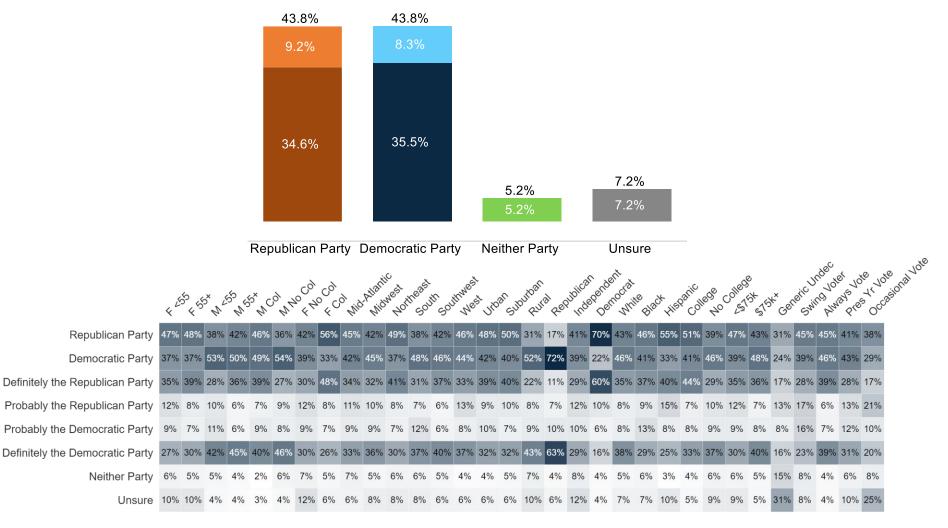






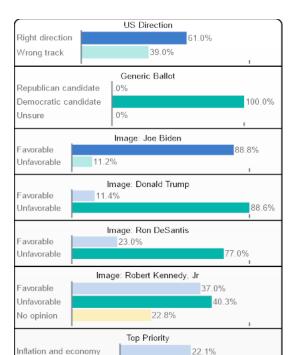


Parties are both seen as equally extreme, Dems more likely to call themselves more extreme than GOP





Dem Base (42%)



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5.4%

10.4%

26.2%

Illegal immigration

National security

Climate change

Threats to democracy

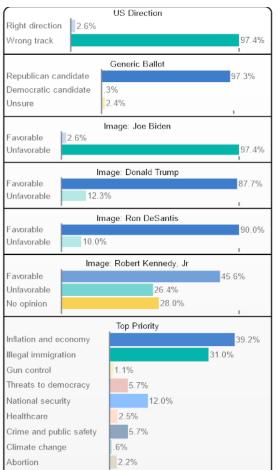
Crime and public safety

Gun control

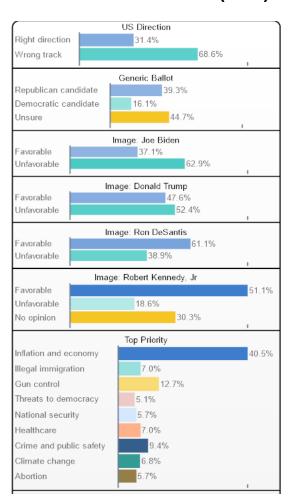
Healthcare

Abortion

GOP Base (38%)



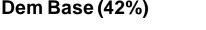
Ind/Moderates (20%)

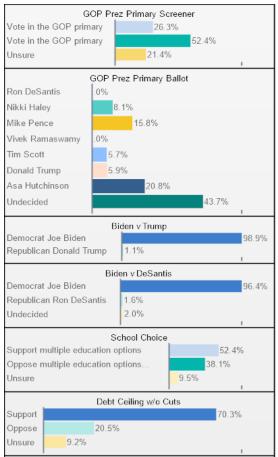


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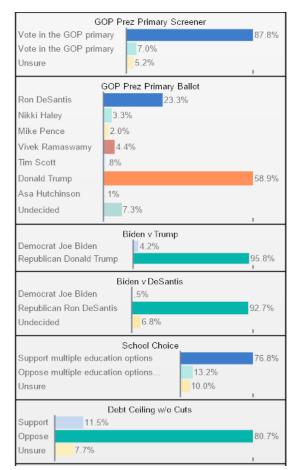


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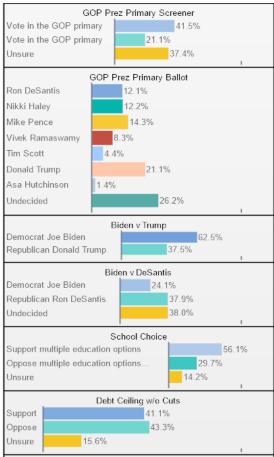


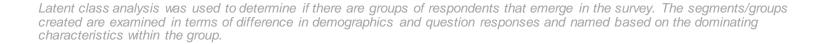


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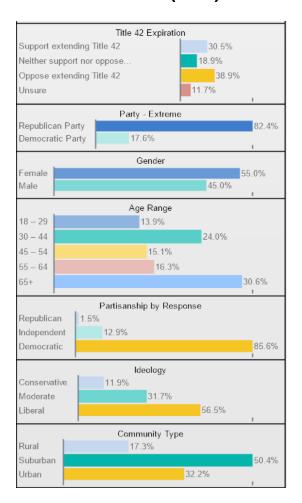


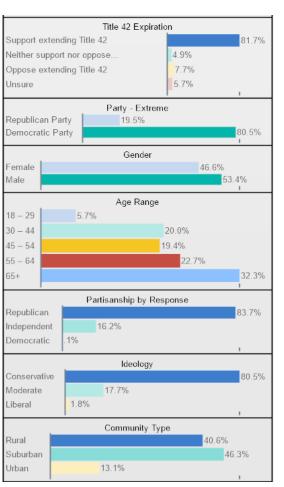


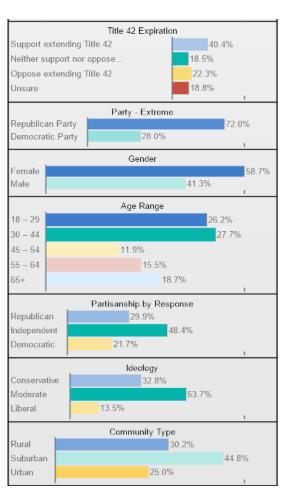
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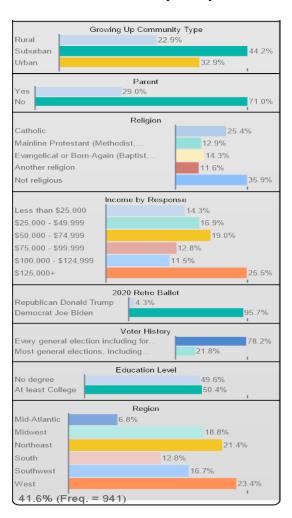
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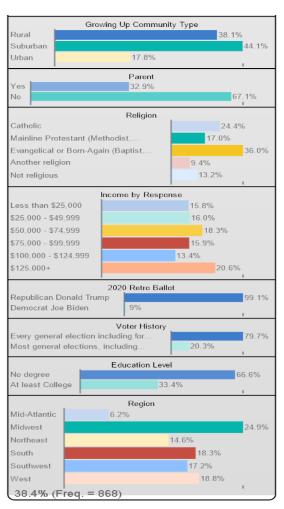


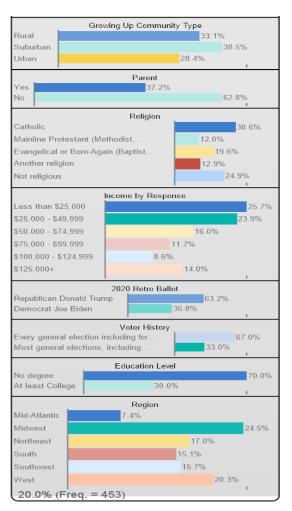
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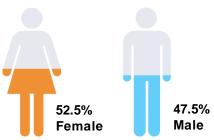


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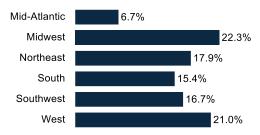


Demographics

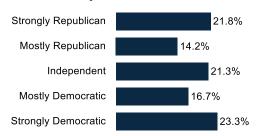
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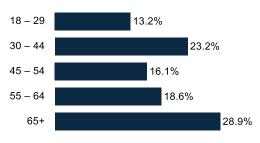
Geo - Region



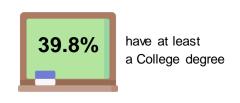
Partisanship



Age Range

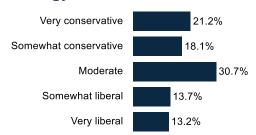


Education



59.4% have no college degree

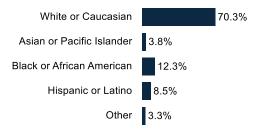
Ideology



Household Income



Race/Ethnicity



Voter History

