



Health Care Landscape Poll
California's 52nd Congressional District

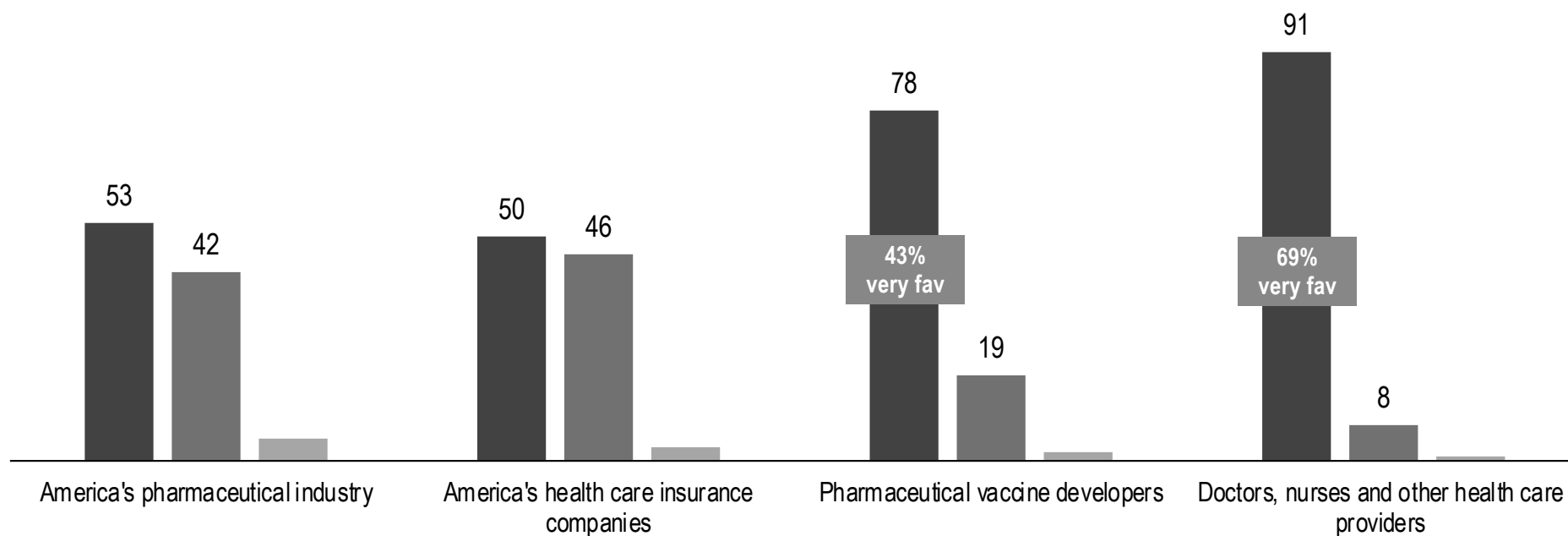
July 2021

Lay of the Land

Voters Are Split On PhRMA and Health Insurance Companies; Industry Overall Isn't Getting The Same Credit That Vaccine Developers and Health Care Providers Are

FAVORABILITY: INDUSTRY

■ Favorable ■ Unfavorable ■ Don't know

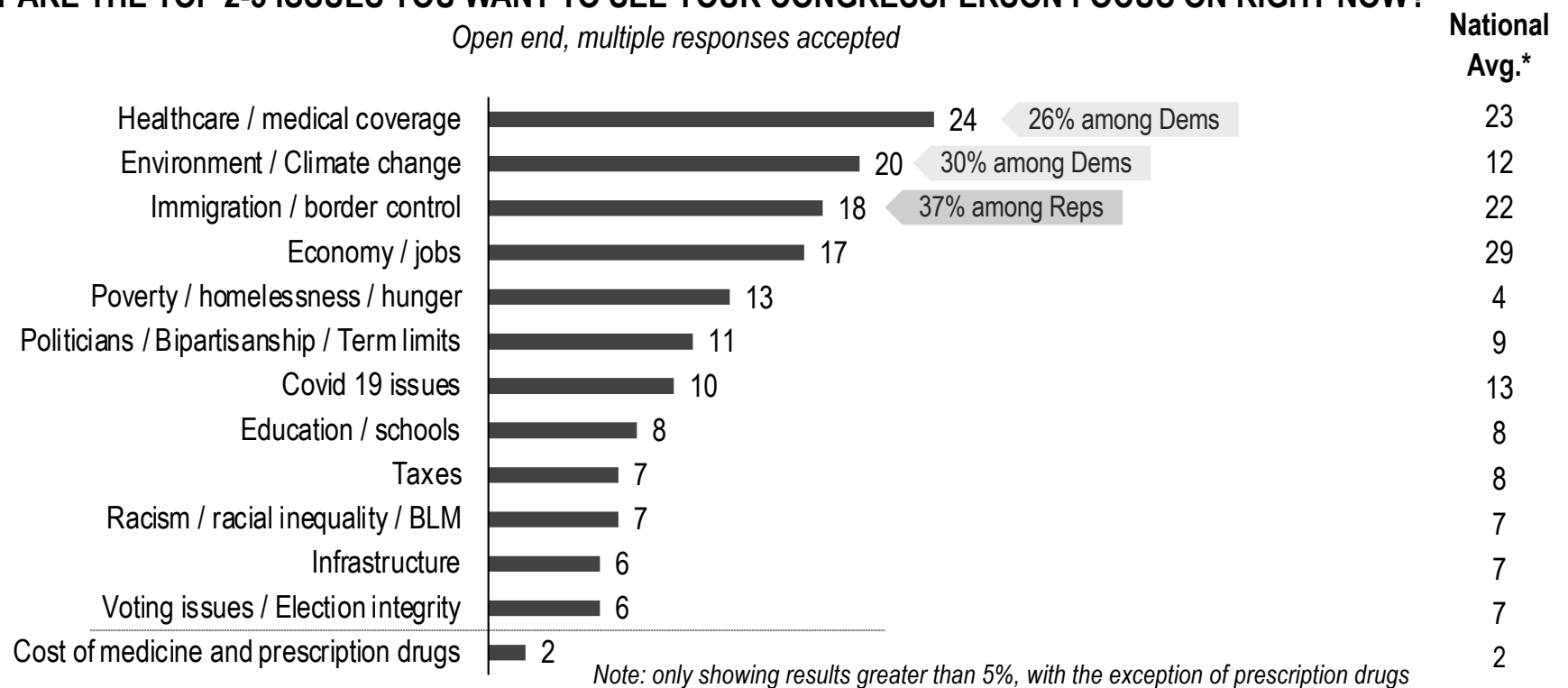


Q1r1-Q1r12: Please indicate if you have a favorable or unfavorable view of them.

On An Open Ended-Basis, CA-52 Voters Want Their Congressperson Focused on Curbing Health Care Costs and The Economy; Immigration Driven By Reps

WHAT ARE THE TOP 2-3 ISSUES YOU WANT TO SEE YOUR CONGRESSPERSON FOCUS ON RIGHT NOW?

Open end, multiple responses accepted



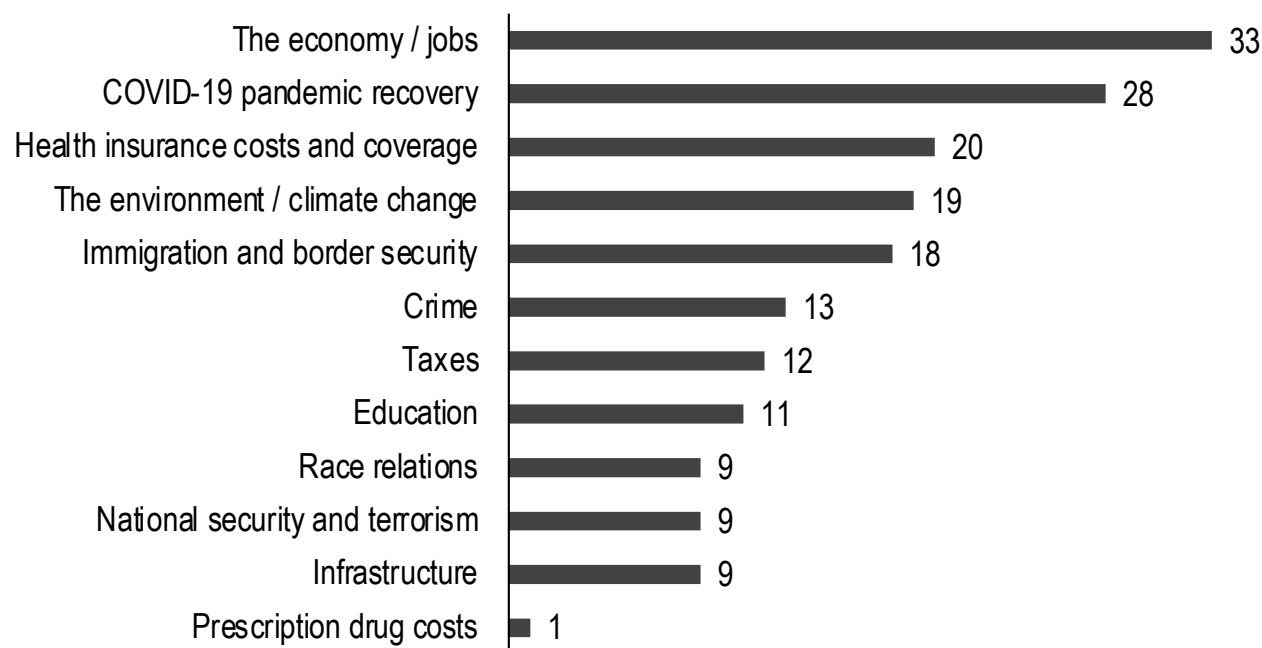
Q2: What are the top 2-3 issues you want to see your Congressperson focus on right now?

*National average numbers come from a nationwide survey conducted by PhRMA that fielded during the same period of time.

When Forced To Choose: Voters Want A Congressperson Who Will Rein In The Cost of Health Insurance and Coverage – Prescription Drug Costs Fall To The Bottom

MOST/SECOND MOST IMPORTANT ISSUE NEEDING TO BE ADDRESSED BY YOUR CONGRESSPERSON?

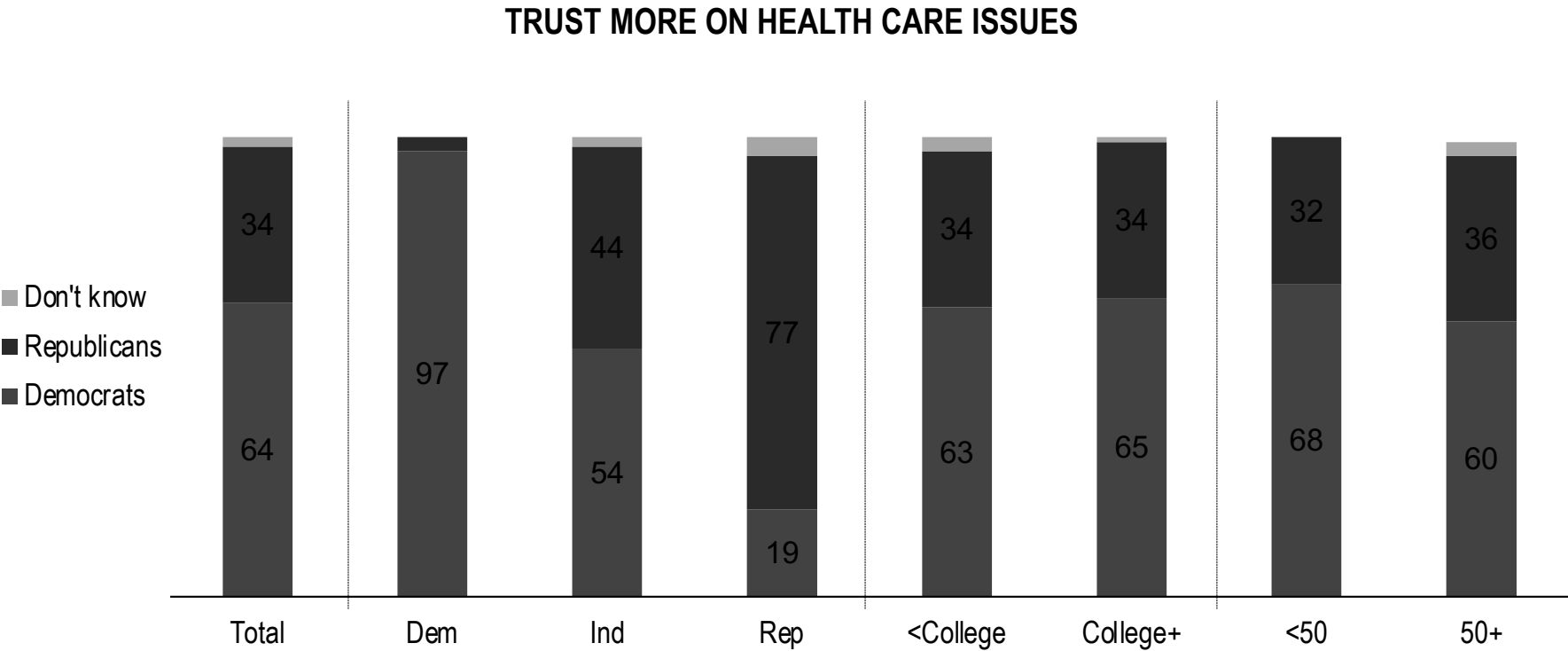
Showing top 2 issues combined, forced choice



Dem	Ind	Rep
28	37	36
39	18	23
24	16	17
30	15	4
4	15	48
12	12	17
7	15	17
10	12	9
14	8	2
7	12	11
10	10	6
3	0	0

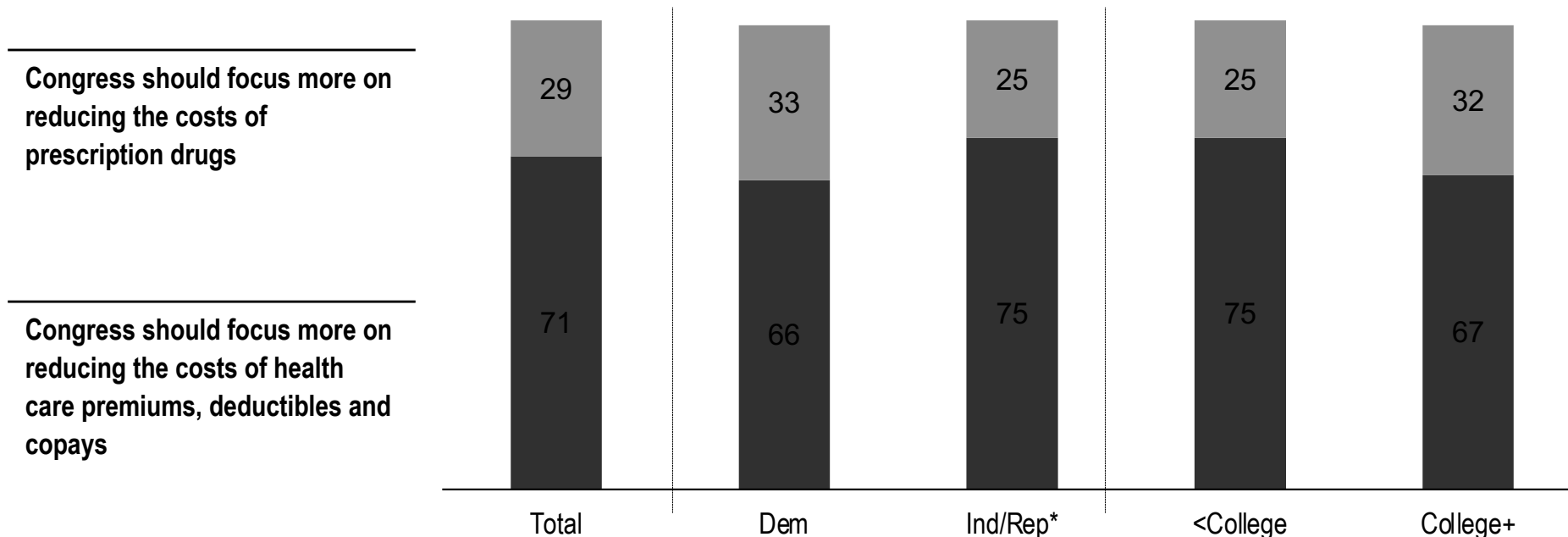
Health Care Attitudes

Overall, Democrats Are More Trusted On Health Care Issues in CA-52 –Trust Among Independents Buys Dem Efforts To Pass Reforms



Voters Across The Political Spectrum Say Congress Should Focus on Reducing Health Care Costs More Broadly than Focusing on Prescription Drugs

WHEN IT COMES TO REDUCING THE COST OF HEALTH, WHICH IS CLOSER TO YOUR VIEW?



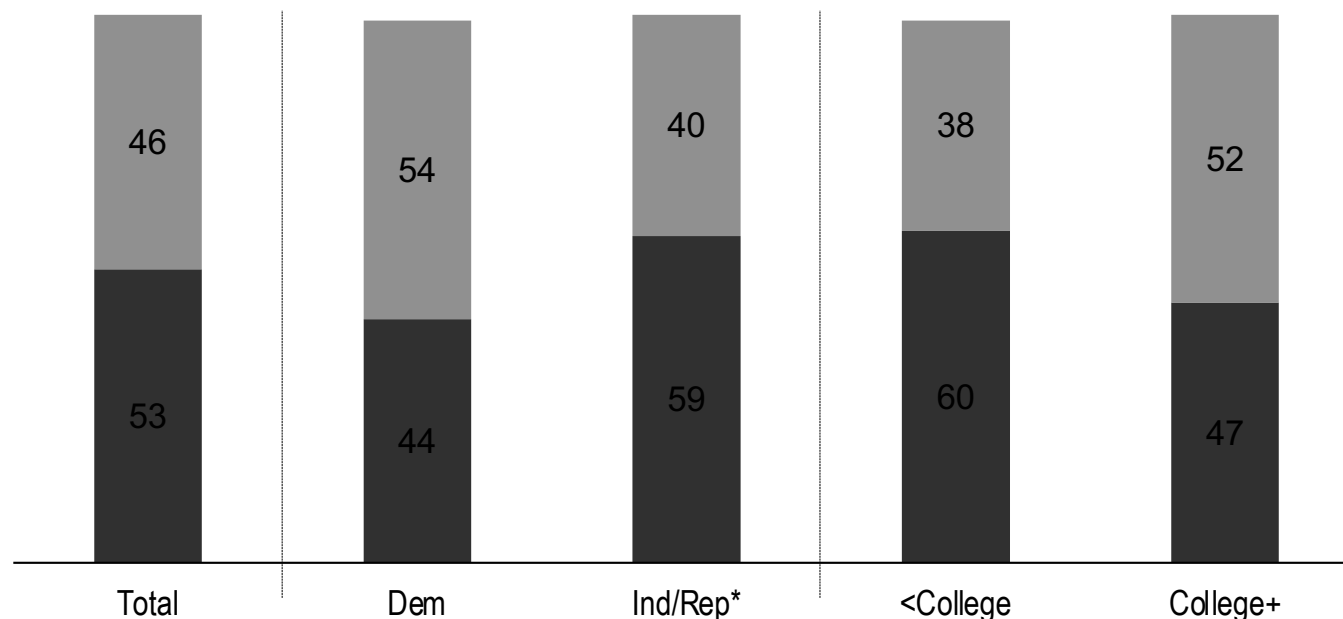
**Note: due to small base sizes we have combined Independents and Republicans on this question*

A Majority of Voters Say Congress Should Build on the Current System, Rather Than Focusing on Transforming It, But Be Careful of The Base as Dems Are More Split

THINKING ABOUT CHANGES CONGRESS COULD MAKE TO THE HEALTH CARE SYSTEM,
WHICH IS CLOSER TO YOUR VIEW?

Congress should focus more on transforming health care coverage, access and cost of health care

Congress should focus more on building upon the current system by making specific fixes, such as reducing out-of-pocket costs



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Voters Universally Believe Out-of-Pocket Costs Shouldn't Get In The Way of Care; Less Than Half Believe The System Works for Most Americans

HEALTH CARE ATTITUDES: HOW HEALTH CARE SYSTEM WORKS

■ Strongly agree ■ Somewhat agree Total agree

% Strongly / Total Agree

Dem Ind / Rep*

Out-of-pocket costs should be low enough that they don't get in the way of getting the health care you need.



68 / 94 64 / 92

The current health care system is, in general, meeting my needs.



23 / 77 17 / 73

The current health care system is, in general, meeting the needs of most Americans.



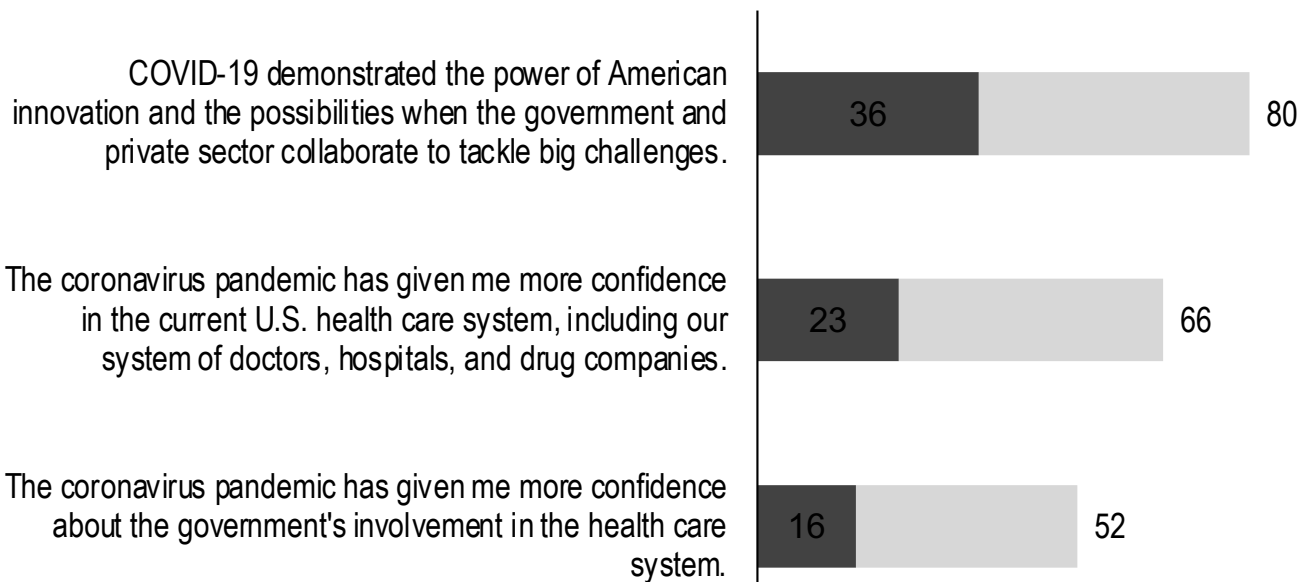
21 / 53 9 / 44

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Overall, Voters Say COVID Demonstrated American Innovation’s Ability To Tackle Big Challenges – Especially Among Dems

HEALTH CARE ATTITUDES: IMPACT OF CORONAVIRUS

■ Strongly agree ■ Somewhat agree Total agree

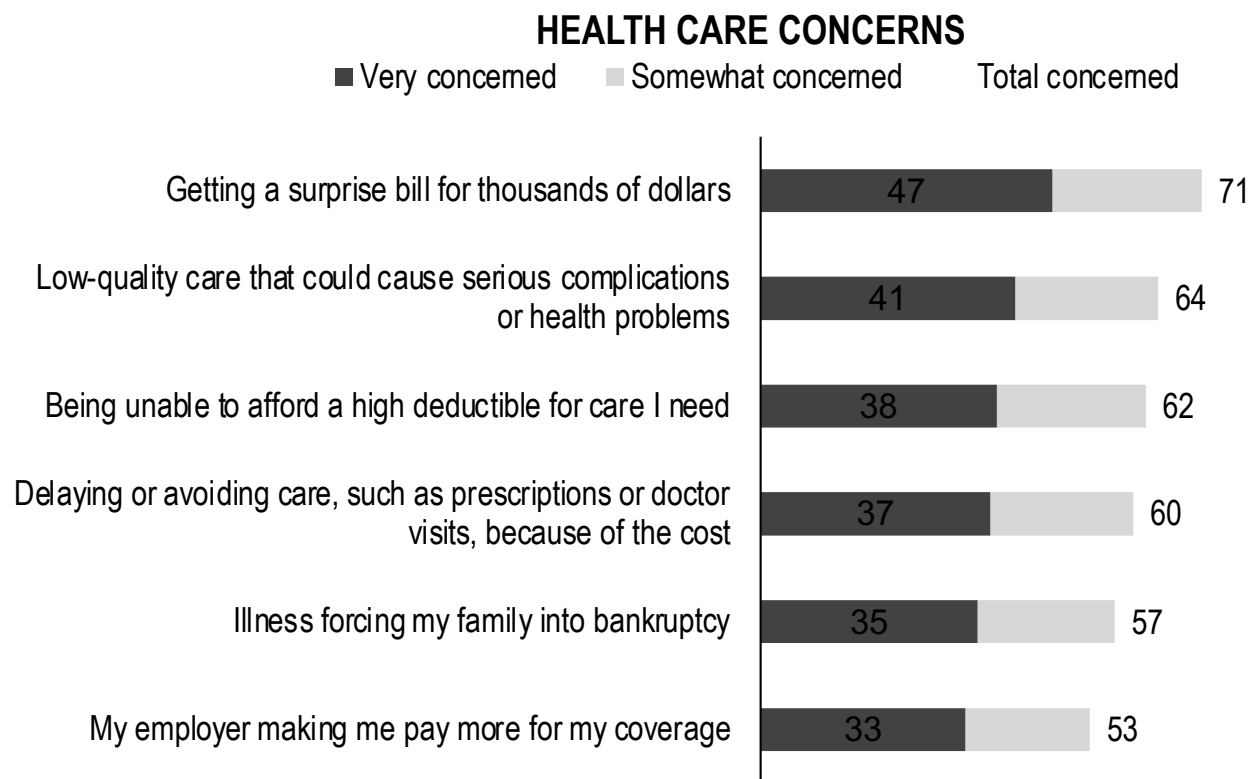


% Strongly / Total Agree

Dem	Ind / Rep*
40 / 86	33 / 76
18 / 75	26 / 58
27 / 66	9 / 43

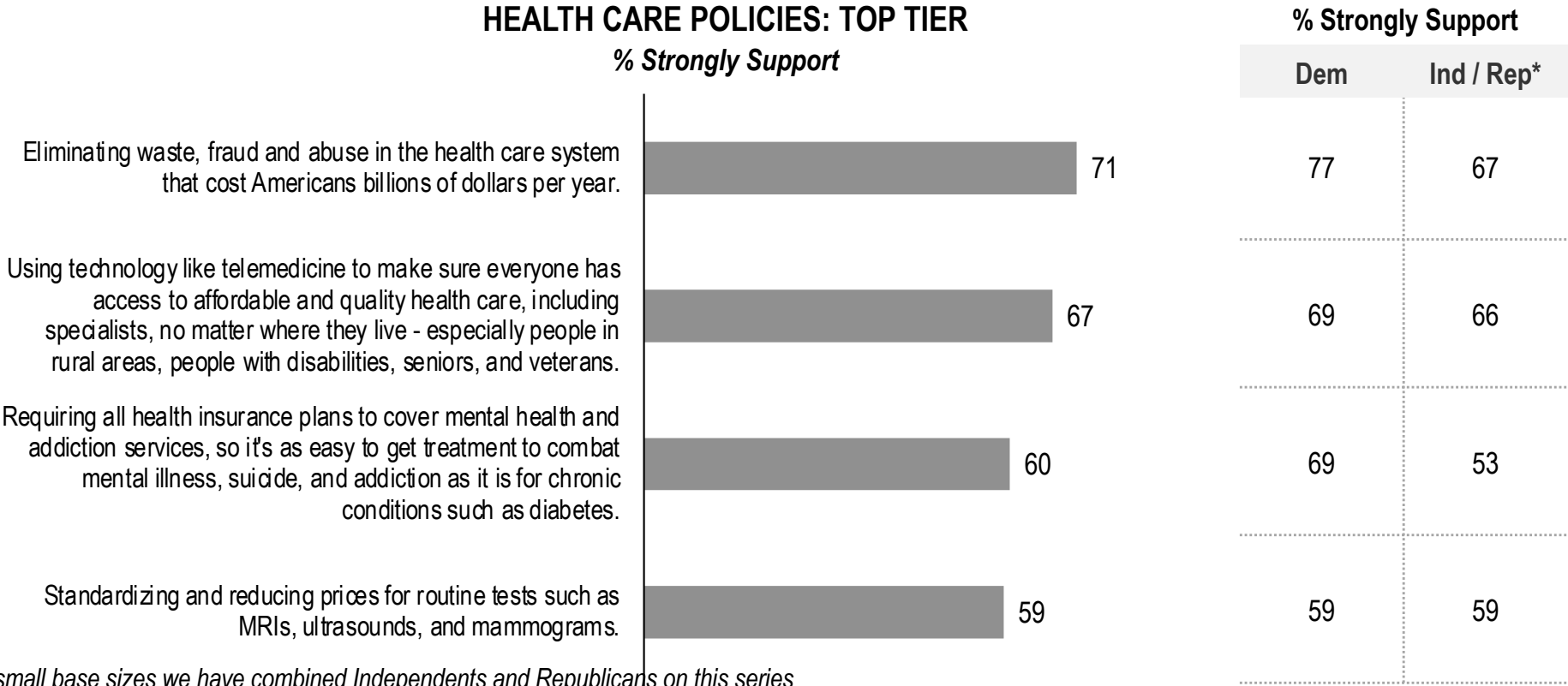
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Tap Into Voters Concerns Around Out-of-Pocket Expenses – Surprise Bills and Unaffordable Deductibles Are Large Concerns For Voters



Health Care Policies

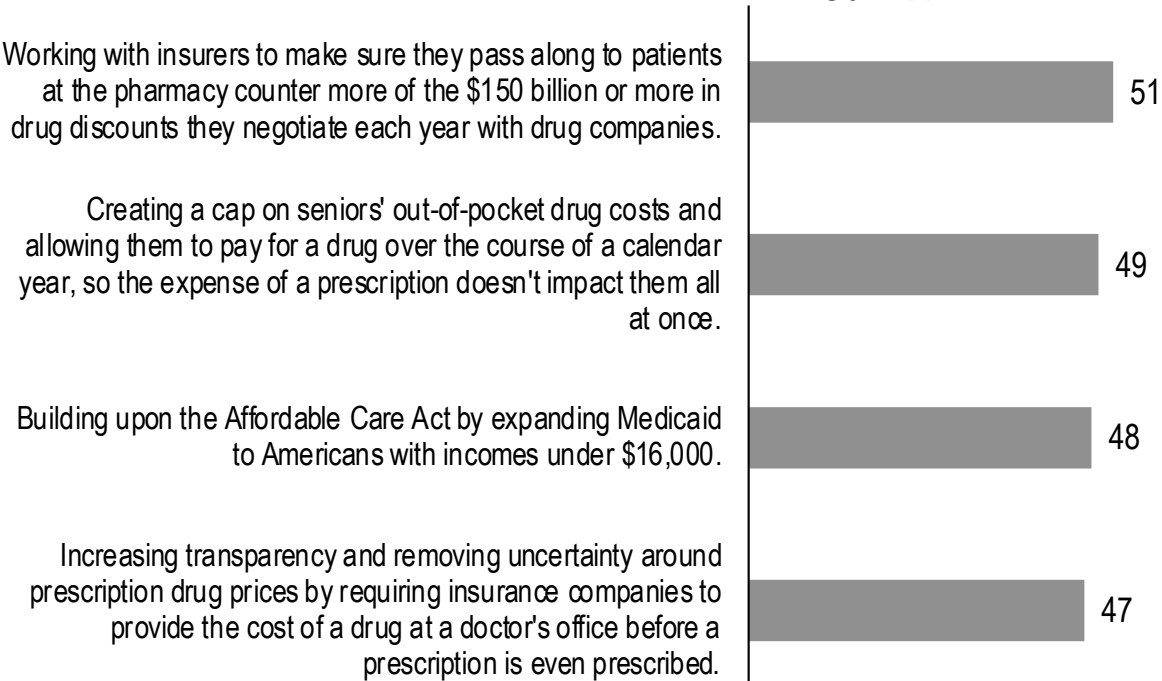
Policies That Would Eliminate Waste, Fraud, and Abuse and Using Technology To Make Sure Everyone Has Access Is Strongly Supported Across the Political Spectrum



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While Not As Strong As Some Other Policies, Voters Firmly Support Passing Along to Patient's More Drug Discounts and Creating an Out-of-Pocket Cap on Drugs for Seniors

HEALTH CARE POLICIES: MID TIER
% Strongly Support



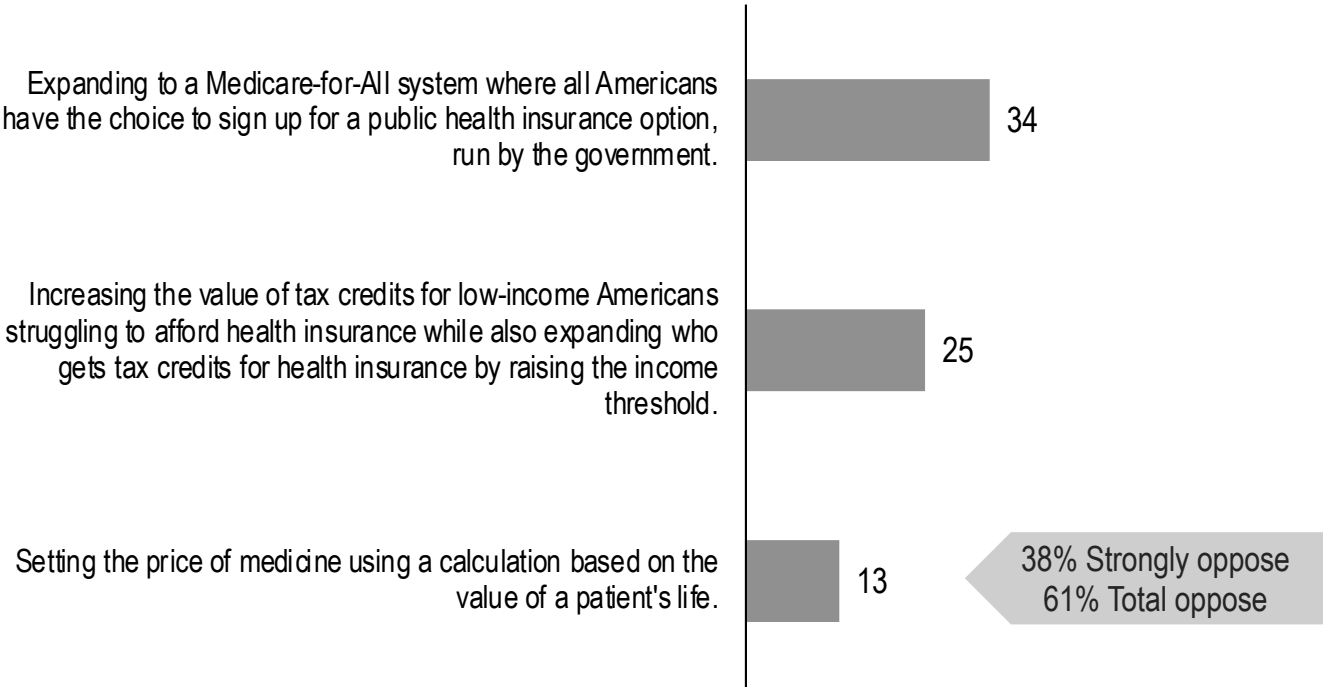
% Strongly Support

Dem	Ind / Rep*
54	48
50	48
57	40
57	40

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There is Less Appetite For a Medicare-for-All System, and Voters Oppose Setting The Price of Medicine Using a Calculation Based On The Value Of a Patient's Life

HEALTH CARE POLICIES: BOTTOM TIER
% Strongly Support



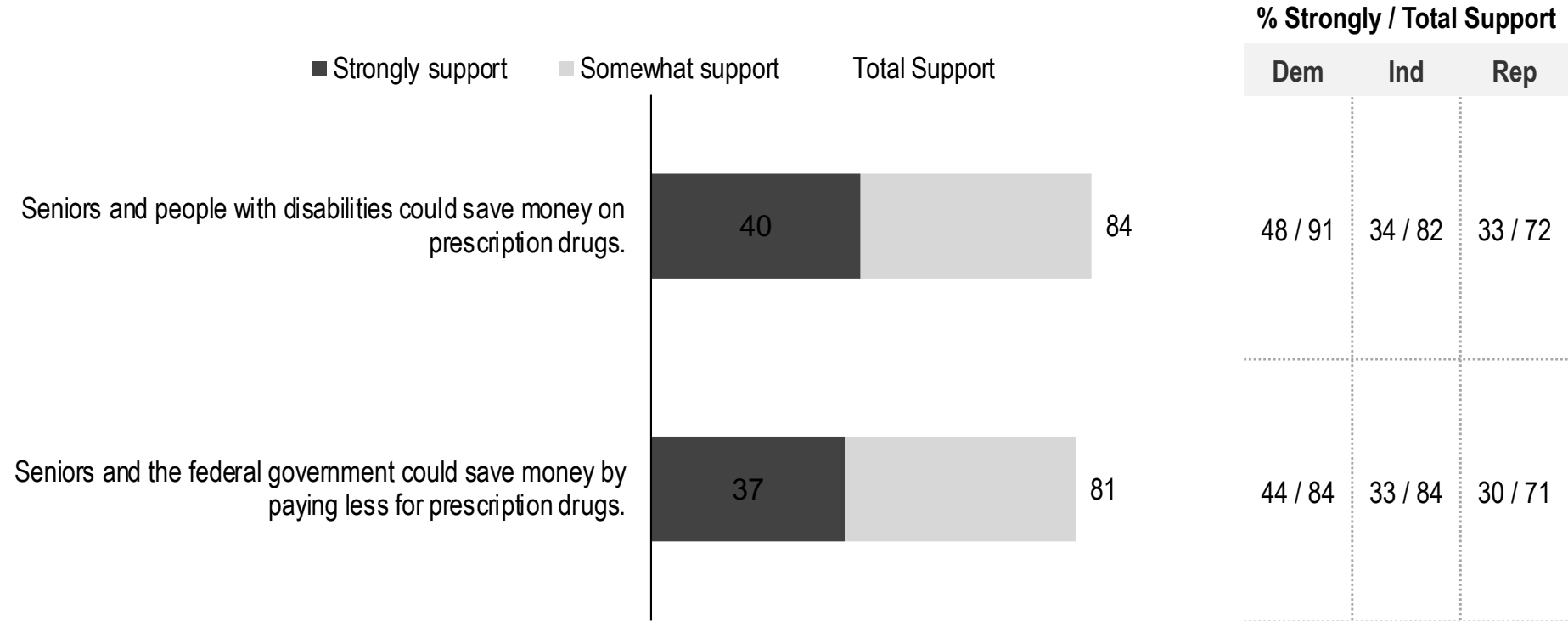
% Strongly Support	
Dem	Ind / Rep*
50	24
39	16
21	8

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Medicare Part D

Voters Do See Some Merit In The Argument That Allowing The Federal Government To Take Part In Drug Negotiations Could Result In People Saving Money

STATEMENTS IN SUPPORT: WOULD YOU SUPPORT OR OPPOSE ALLOWING THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO TAKE PART IN NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN MEDICARE PART D PLANS AND DRUG MANUFACTURERS?



But Voters Don't Want The Government to Be Able To Restrict Access To Medicines and Drugs Even If It Means Lower Prices For The Government or Medicare Beneficiaries

As you may or may not know, it's currently illegal for the federal government to restrict access to medicines for seniors and those with disabilities in Medicare Part D the prescription drug benefit part of Medicare.

DO YOU AGREE OR DISAGREE WITH THIS?

■ Strongly disagree ■ Somewhat disagree Total Disagree

% Strongly / Total Disagree

Dem	Ind	Rep
32 / 64	46 / 73	38 / 63
21 / 55	35 / 56	28 / 48

We should change the law so the federal government can restrict access to medicines, even if doing so results in fewer new and existing medicines being covered by Part D.

38 67

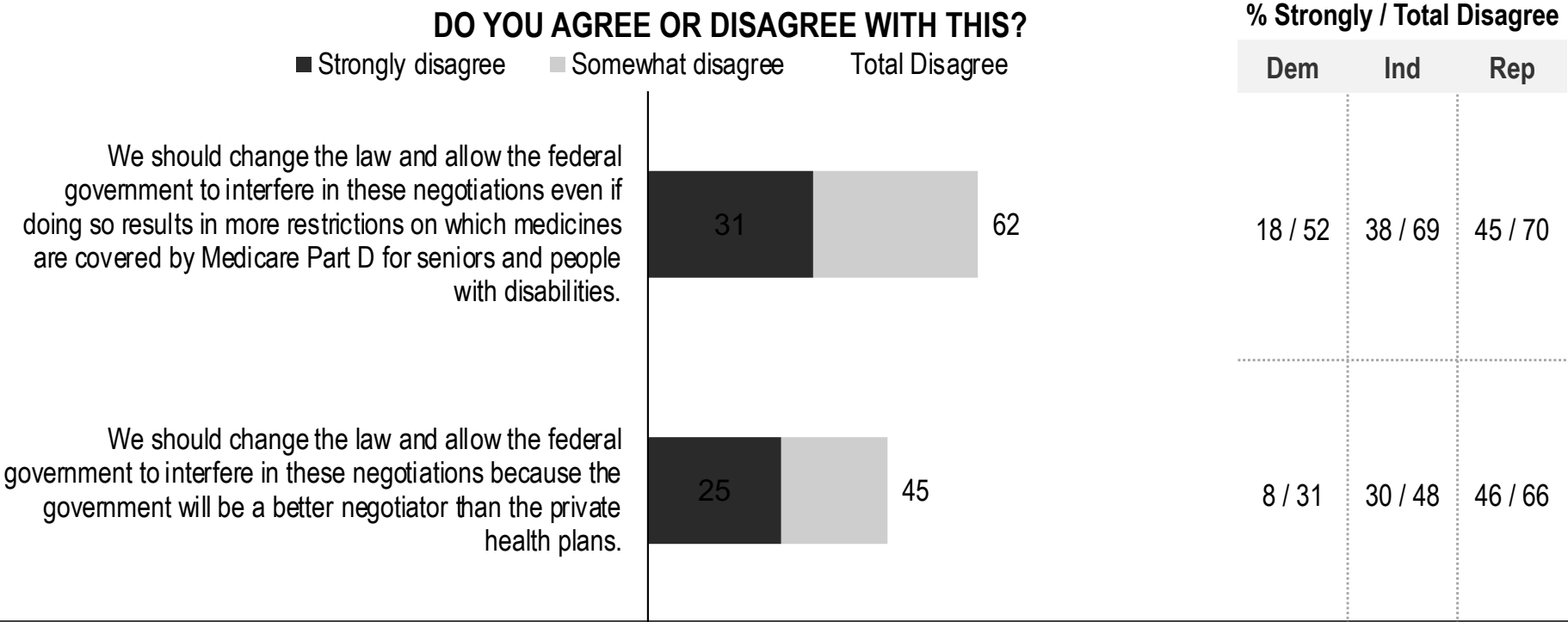
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28 54

Q18r1-Q18r2: As you may or may not know, it's currently illegal for the federal government to restrict access to medicines for seniors and those with disabilities in Medicare Part D, the prescription drug benefit part of Medicare. After each of the following statements, please indicate how much you agree or disagree.

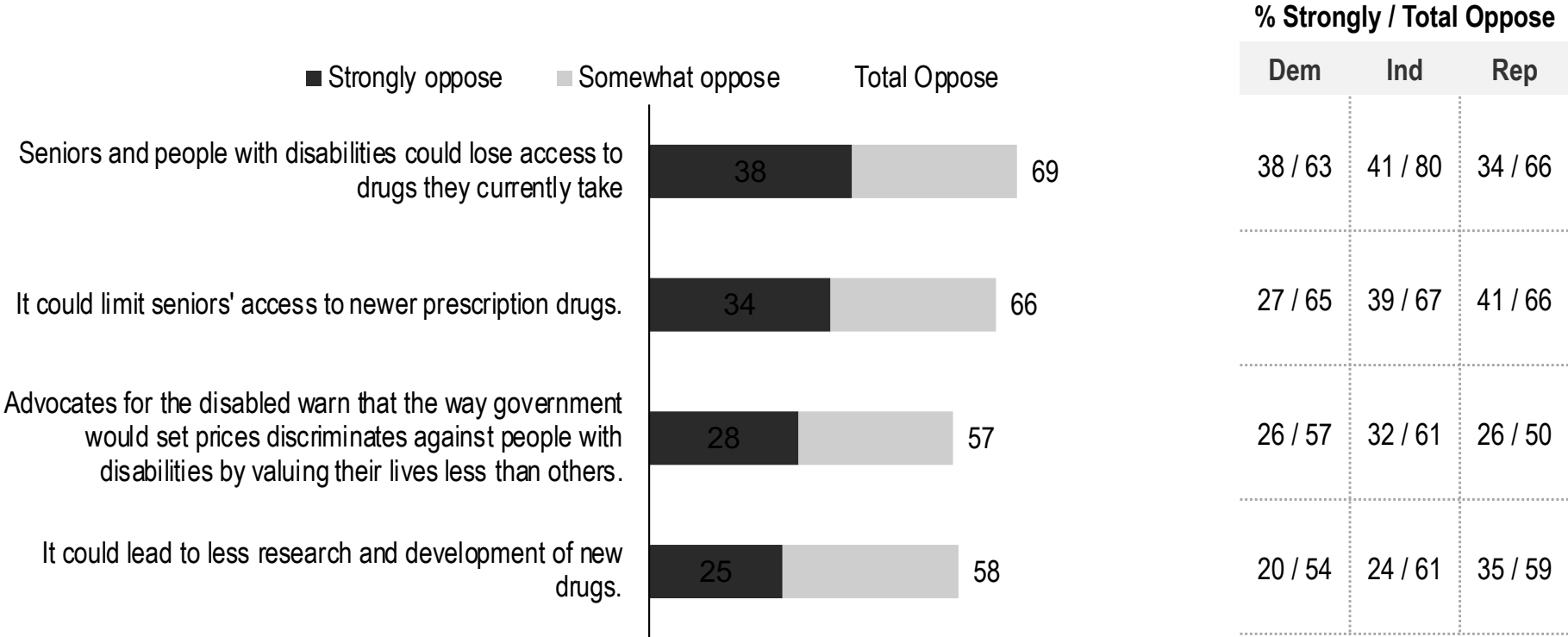
Restrictions On Which Medications Would Be Covered By Part D If Government Is Allowed to Interfere Is a Stronger Argument Than Whether The Government Would Be a Good Negotiator

As you may or may not know, it's illegal for the federal government to interfere in private negotiations between Medicare Part D plans and drug manufacturers.



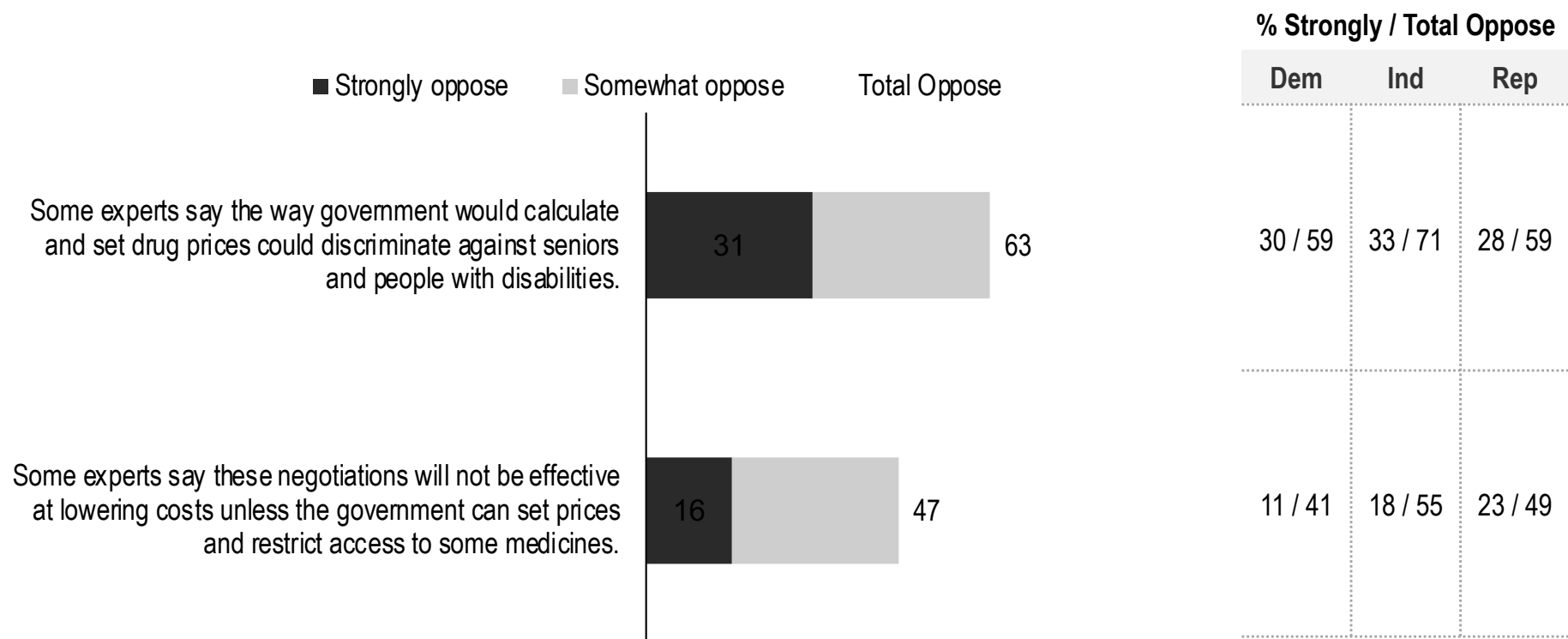
Voters Strongly Oppose Anything That Would Cause Them to Lose Access or Limit New Prescription Drugs

STATEMENTS IN OPPOSITION: WOULD YOU SUPPORT OR OPPOSE ALLOWING THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO TAKE PART IN NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN MEDICARE PART D PLANS AND DRUG MANUFACTURERS?



Less Convincing to Voters Is That It Wouldn't Lower Costs Unless Government Can Set Prices

STATEMENTS IN OPPOSITION: WOULD YOU SUPPORT OR OPPOSE ALLOWING THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO TAKE PART IN NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN MEDICARE PART D PLANS AND DRUG MANUFACTURERS?



Messaging/Health Care Proposal

Text of Messages Ranked By % Very Convincing

RANK
1

HOLISTIC APPROACH: We need a holistic approach to fixing what's wrong with our health care system. The cost of prescription drugs isn't the only problem facing this country; Congress must also focus on making the cost of treatments and services more transparent, making high quality care accessible to all Americans, reigning in high deductibles and cracking down on waste in the system, among many other things. Reforming only one aspect of health care is not going to create the meaningful change we need.

RANK
2

ENCOURAGE INNOVATION: The development of the COVID-19 vaccine has shown us how much we can accomplish when the private and public sectors work together to innovate and solve some of the most critical medical conditions facing the world. For example, currently there are 190 medicines being developed that treat heart disease, stroke and other cardiovascular diseases. Rather than stifling innovation with red tape and regulations, Congress needs to ensure that our health care policies protect private-public partnerships so that they can continue the work on solving today's global problems by creating the best treatments for patients as possible.

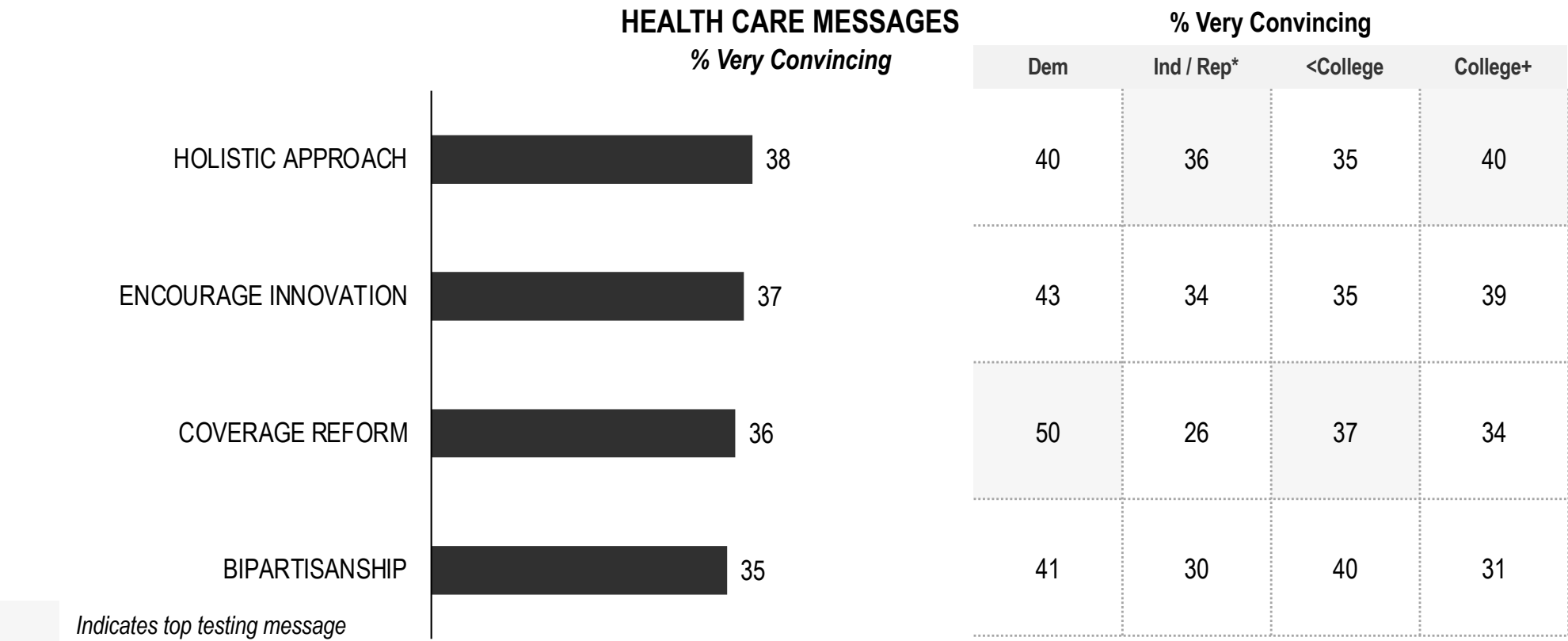
RANK
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COVERAGE REFORM: One of the simplest ways to fix the problems in our health care system is to reign in soaring cost of premiums, deductibles and copays, and make costs more transparent and easy to understand. Big insurance companies are charging Americans prices that are harder and harder to afford and putting families at risk of bankruptcy if they need treatment for a serious condition. Congress must pass a bill that expands coverage to those who need it and caps insurance costs at a lower, more affordable amount.

RANK
4

BIPARTISANSHIP: We need a bipartisan approach to health care reform, one that lowers the cost of out-of-pocket spending on drugs, protects access to new medicines and cures, strengthens transparency and encourages competition among drug developers. Both sides of the aisle can agree that we must remove uncertainty around prescription drug prices by capping how much Medicare recipients pay out of pocket and making sure life-saving medicines like insulin and cancer treatments are more affordable. Americans need Congress to work together to lower health care costs now, rather than playing political football with this issue.

A Message Emphasizing Taking a Holistic Approach to Reducing Health Care Costs and High Deductibles Works Best



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Q21-Q24: How convincing a reason it is to support your congressperson on health care reform if this was their position?

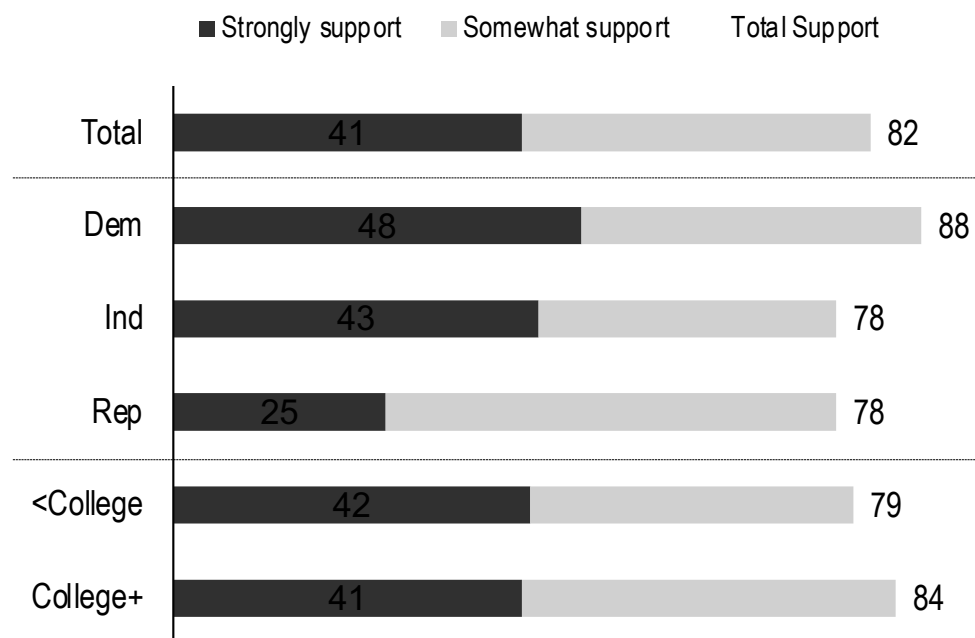
A Bipartisan Proposal That Mirrors What the Problem Solvers Caucus Is Doing Would Garner Near Universal Support Across The Political Spectrum, Especially Strong Among Dems

This proposal focuses on reducing what patients spend for their prescription medicines at the pharmacy counter, while ensuring continued public-private collaboration to develop lifesaving drugs and treatments.

It places an annual cap on out-of-pocket costs to consumers, improves the drug rebate system so that consumers receive more discounts directly and lowers drug prices for them.

It also encourages greater collaboration in drug research between government and drug companies to work together on a cure for things like cancer and Alzheimer's in the way they developed coronavirus vaccines at record speed.

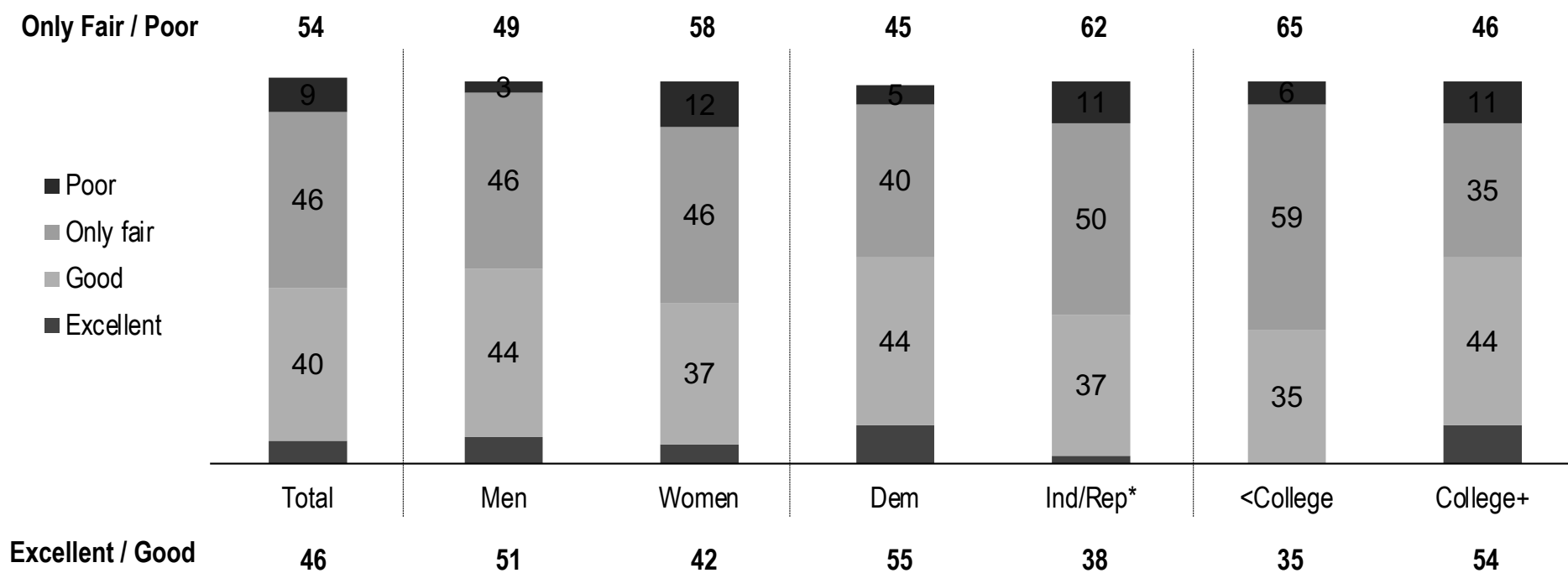
WOULD YOU SUPPORT OR OPPOSE THIS PROPOSAL IF IT WERE A BILL?



Appendix

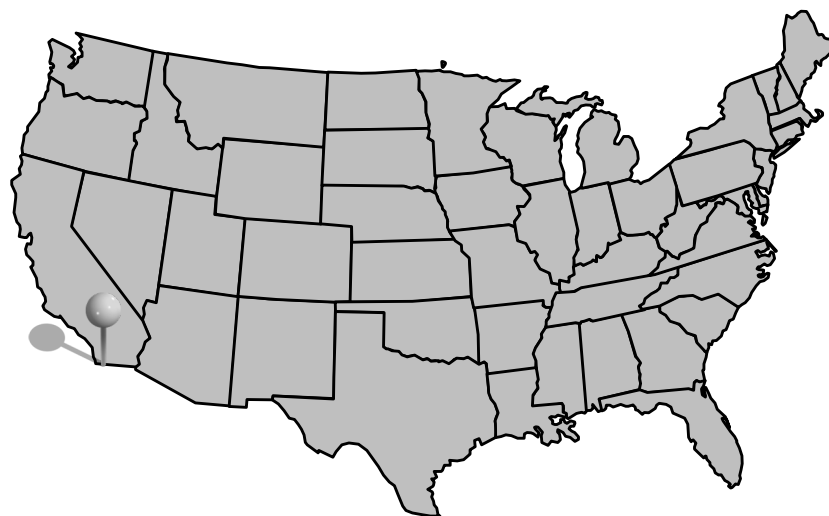
Most Rate The National Economy As Only Fair or Poor, Especially Women, Independents and Non-College Voters

CONDITION OF THE NATIONAL ECONOMY



Methodology

- Benenson Strategy Group conducted a total of 302 interviews in California's 52nd Congressional District from June 28-July 11, 2021 among likely 2022 voters.
- The sample was weighted to ensure it is proportionately representative of voters in California's 52nd Congressional District.
- The margin of error for the dataset overall is +/- 5.7% at the 95% confidence interval. It is higher among subgroups.



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27	28	29	30			

JULY						
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25	26	27	28	29	30	31