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The Supreme Court: A Guide for Advocates







#### **Key Takeaways:**

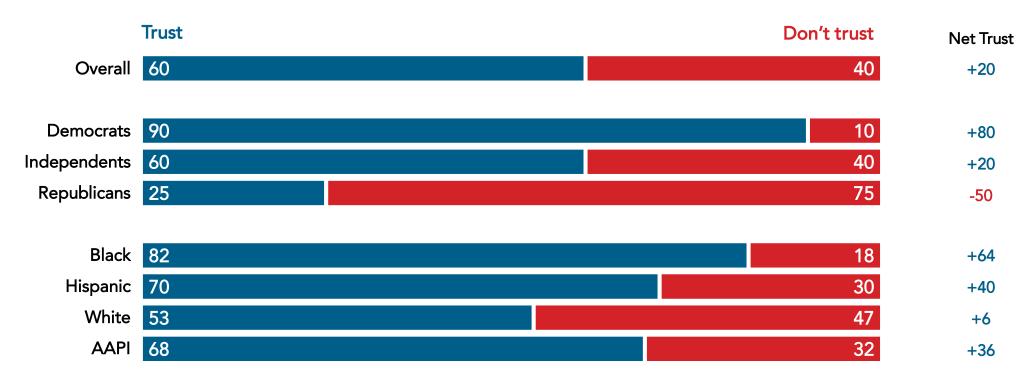
- Three in five Americans trust Biden to nominate the next Supreme Court Justice.
- Americans say making the Court more representative and keeping his campaign promises are the best reasons for Biden to nominate a Black woman as the next Justice.
- Pluralities across race and party support the Senate confirming the judge who Biden nominates and feel the nomination should be considered immediately, before the November election.

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### Three in Five Trust Biden's Judgment on the Next Supreme Court Justice

A majority of independents (60%) trust Biden's judgment on who should be the next Supreme Court Justice.

How much do you trust President Biden's judgment on who should be the next Supreme Court Justice?\*



<sup>\*&</sup>quot;Trust" includes those who say they trust Biden "a great deal," "a fair amount," or "some" on who the next Supreme Court Justice should be. "Don't trust" includes those who say they trust Biden "very little" or "not at all" on who the next Supreme Court Justice should be. Nationwide survey of 1,000 registered voters conducted February 3-February 7, 2022. For more info, visit navigatorresarch.org.



#### Making SCOTUS More Representative and Keeping Promises Are Best Reasons for Biden to Nominate a Black Female Justice

Across all demographics, making the Court look more like America is viewed as the best reason, including 79% of Black Americans, 56% of independents, and even 42% of Republicans.

Please indicate whether the below statements are a good reason to support Biden's decision to nominate a Black woman to the Supreme Court. Total Good Reason

Very good

Somewhat good

Just like other bodies of government, the Supreme Court should look like America – that means including women and African Americans The women under consideration for appointment to the Supreme Court are among the most highly qualified judges in the country: Biden made his promise to nominate a Black woman with this fact already in mind Black Americans face discrimination in nearly every aspect of their life, and that is particularly true of Black women. Putting a Black woman on the Supreme Court is an important step towards a fairer and more just system There has never been a Black female Supreme Court justice – this justice will offer new perspective and experience and help the court better serve the American people The appointment of a Black woman judge would offer an important role model for young children of all backgrounds. All children should be able to see themselves represented in the United States Supreme Court The women under consideration will both increase racial diversity on the Supreme Court and lower the average age of the sitting justices When Ronald Reagan had the opportunity to nominate someone to the Supreme Court, he said he would only nominate a woman, and did so. This is no different Anyone assuming in advance Biden will nominate someone unqualified are

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62	85	56	38	78	64	59	70
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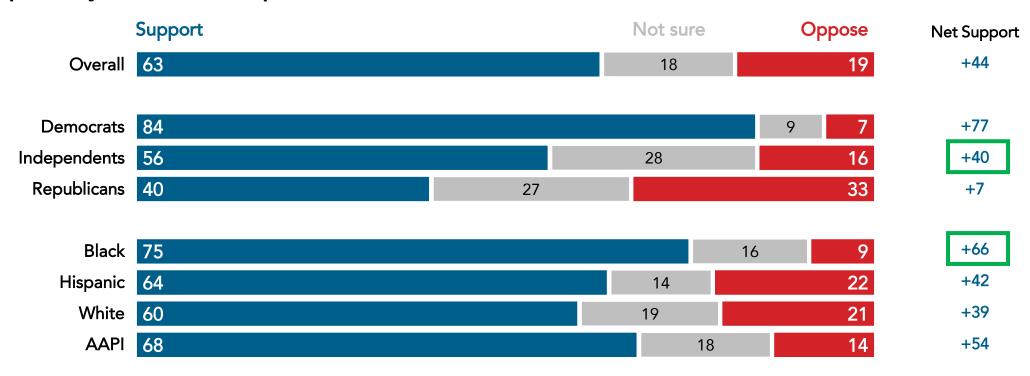
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# Pluralities Across Partisanship and Race Support the Senate Voting to Confirm the Judge Biden Nominates

A majority of independents (56%) and 40% of Republicans support the Senate confirming Biden's pick.

Do you support or oppose the United States Senate voting to confirm the judge who President Biden nominates to fill Stephen Breyer's seat on the Supreme Court?

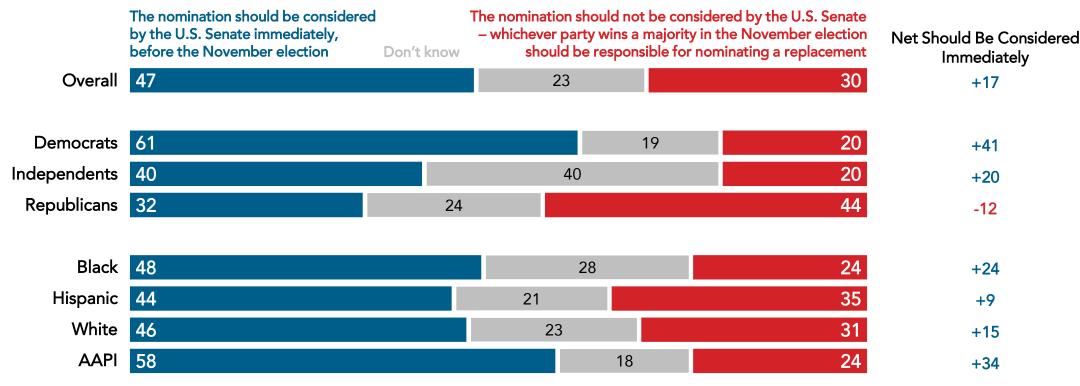




# A Plurality of Voters Agree Biden's Nomination Should be Considered Immediately By the Senate

Independents agree that Biden's Supreme Court nomination should be considered immediately by 20 points.

Which of the following comes closer to your view about Biden nominating a replacement for Breyer prior to the November 2022 midterm election?

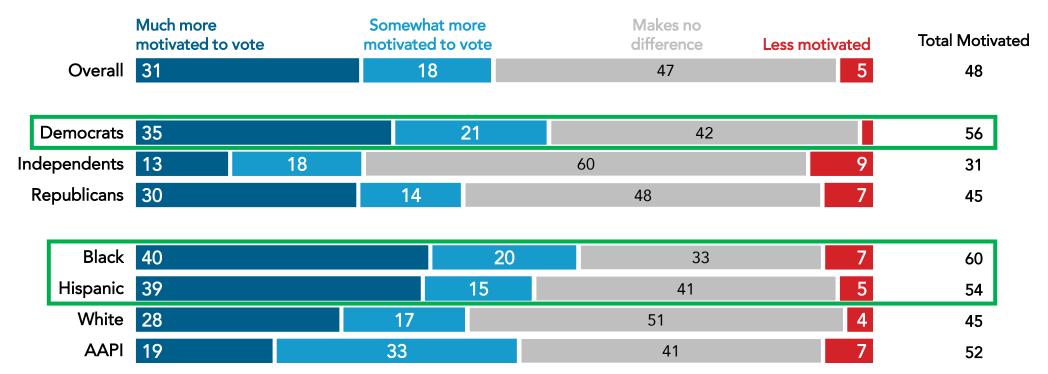




# Americans See the Nomination of a Supreme Court Justice By Biden as a Motivating Issue to Vote in November

A majority of Black Americans (60%), Democrats (56%), and Hispanic Americans (54%) say it makes them more motivated to vote in November.

Regardless of how you plan to vote in November, is the nomination of a new Supreme Court Justice by Joe Biden an issue that makes you feel more or less motivated to vote?







#### About Navigator

In a world where the news cycle is the length of a tweet, our leaders often lack the real-time public-sentiment analysis to shape the best approaches to talking about the issues that matter the most. Navigator is designed to act as a consistent, flexible, responsive tool to inform policy debates by conducting research and reliable guidance to inform allies, elected leaders, and the press. Navigator is a project led by pollsters from Global Strategy Group and GBAO along with an advisory committee, including: Arkadi Gerney, The Hub Project; Joel Payne, The Hub Project; Christina Reynolds, EMILY's List; Mike Podhorzer, AFL-CIO; Jesse Ferguson, progressive strategist; Navin Nayak, Center for American Progress Action Fund; Stephanie Valencia, EquisLabs; and Melanie Newman, Planned Parenthood Action Fund.

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#### About the Study

Global Strategy Group conducted public opinion surveys among a sample of 1,000 registered voters from February 3-February 7, 2022. 101 additional interviews were conducted among Hispanic voters. 78 additional interviews were conducted among Asian American and Pacific Islander voters. 99 additional interviews were conducted among African American voters. 100 additional interviews were conducted among independent voters. The survey was conducted online, recruiting respondents from an opt-in online panel vendor. Respondents were verified against a voter file and special care was taken to ensure the demographic composition of our sample matched that of the national registered voter population across a variety of demographic variables.

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