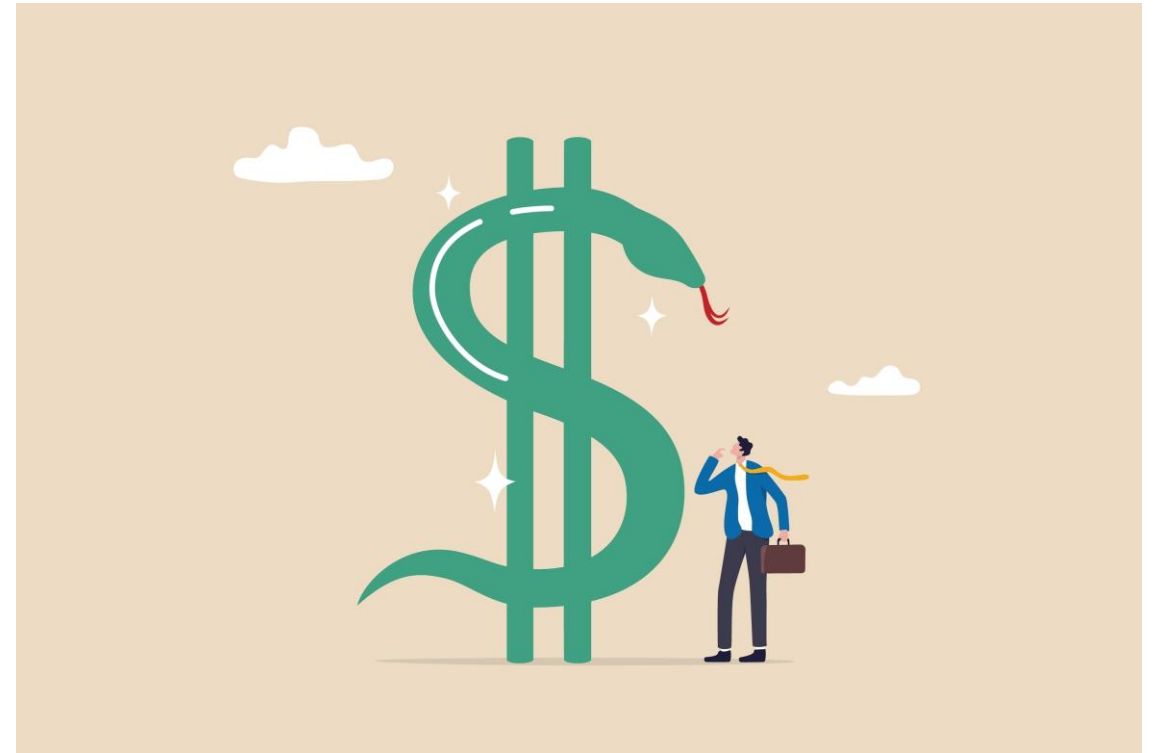


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A Guide for Advocates



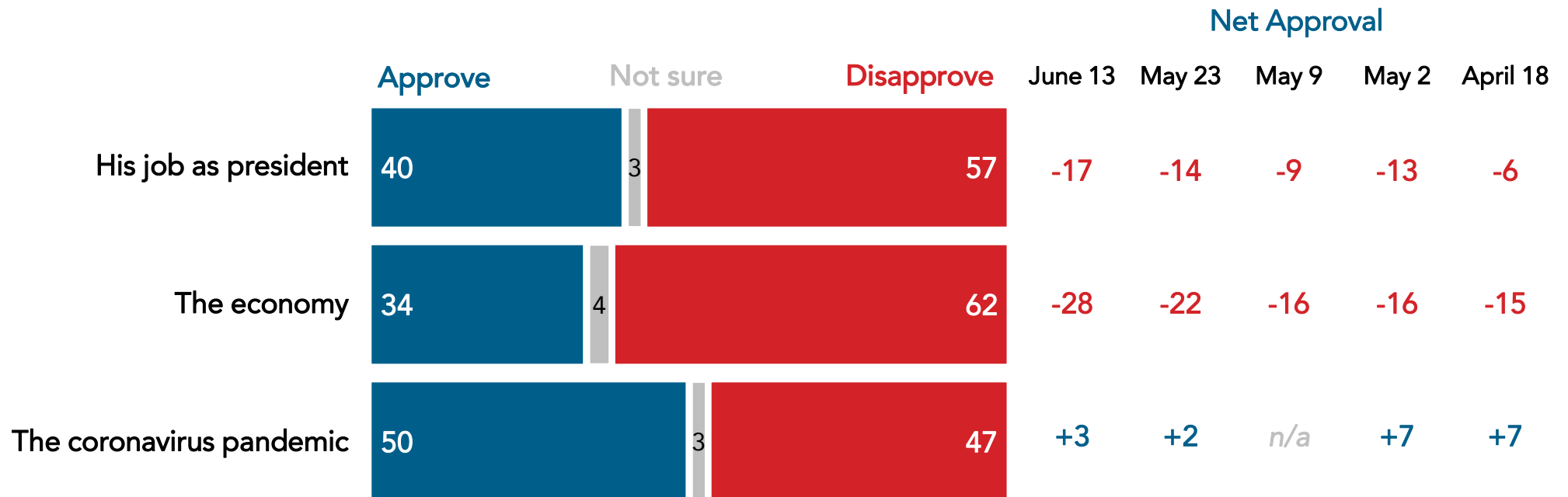
Key Takeaways:

- Biden's economic approval ratings are deeply underwater as Americans remain pessimistic about the state of the national economy and their personal finances, but he remains above water on handling the pandemic.
- However, while only half are hearing about Biden and Democrats' economic agenda, strong majorities continue to support it.
- Nearly three in five Americans support Biden's plan to cancel \$10,000 in student loans per borrower.

Biden's Overall and Economic Approval Ratings Remain Underwater, While He's in the Positive on the Pandemic

Biden's approval rating on the economy has dropped 6 points since late May (-22 to -28).

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling...

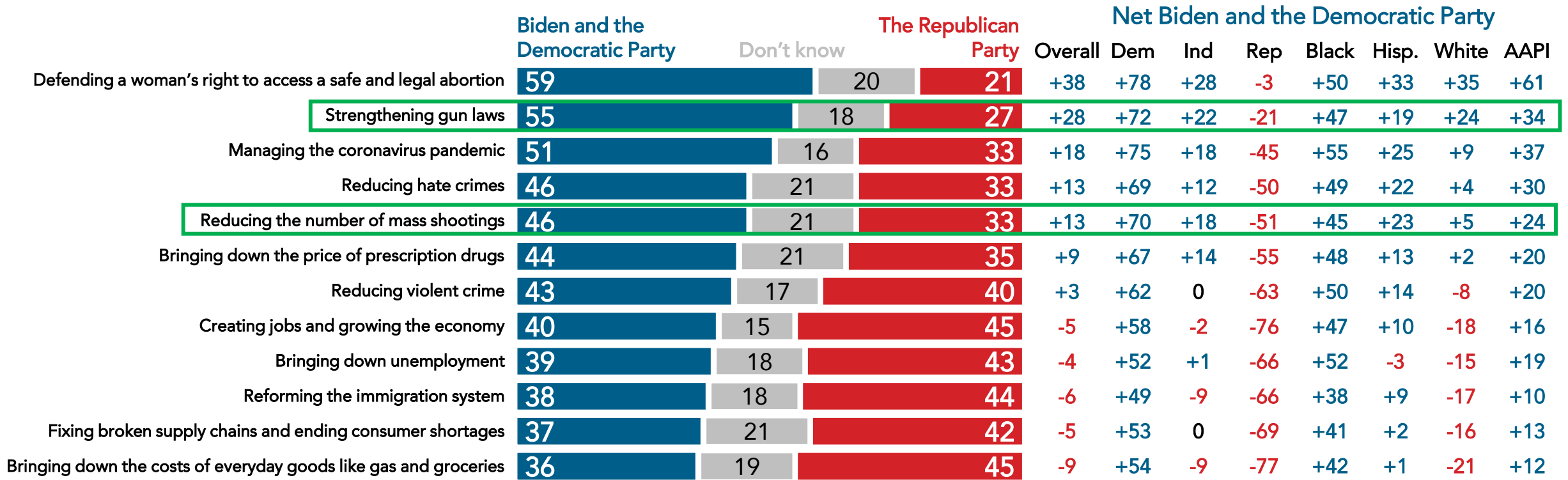


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Biden and Democrats Seen as More Solutions-Oriented on a Range of Issues Including Abortion, Guns, and the Pandemic

Biden and Democrats are more trusted on defending abortion rights (+38), strengthening gun laws (net +28), and managing the pandemic (+18); Republicans are more trusted on creating jobs (net +5) and bringing down the costs of gas and groceries (+9).

Below is a list of actions the government could take on some issues. Please indicate who you feel is more focused on offering solutions for each issue.

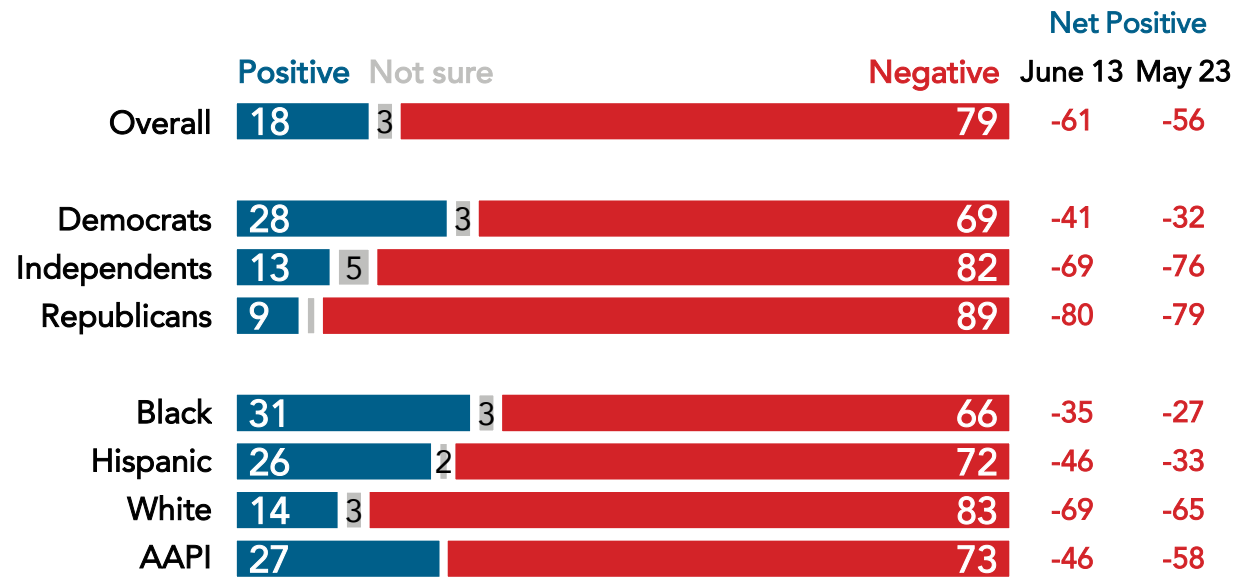


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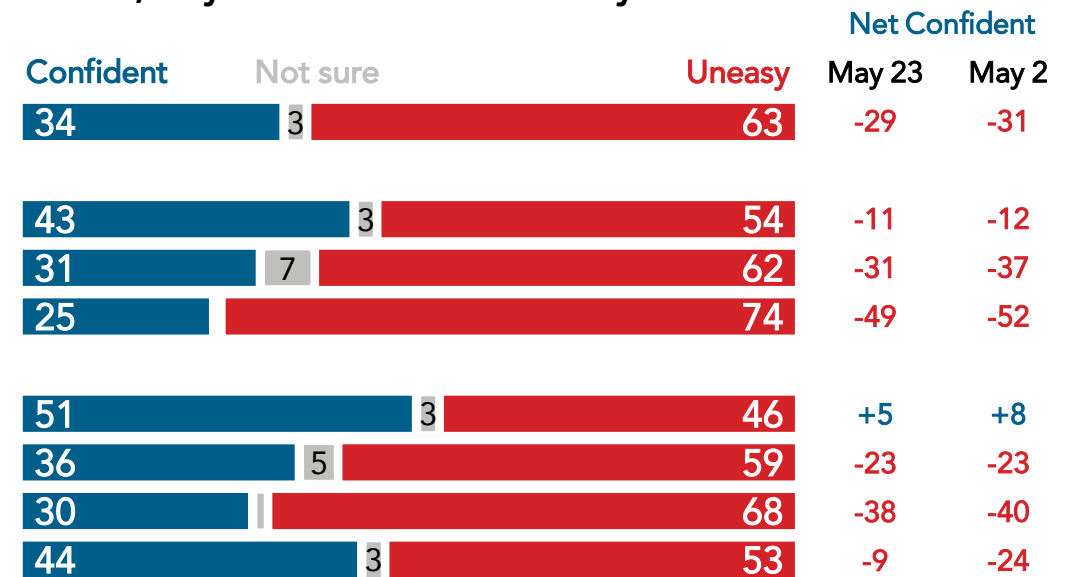
Americans Are Increasingly Pessimistic About the Economy; Less So About Personal Finances

Nearly four in five Americans (79%) rate the economy negatively overall, while nearly two-thirds (63%) feel uneasy about their personal financial situation.

How would you rate the state of the U.S. economy today?



Thinking about your personal financial situation over the next few months, do you feel confident or uneasy?



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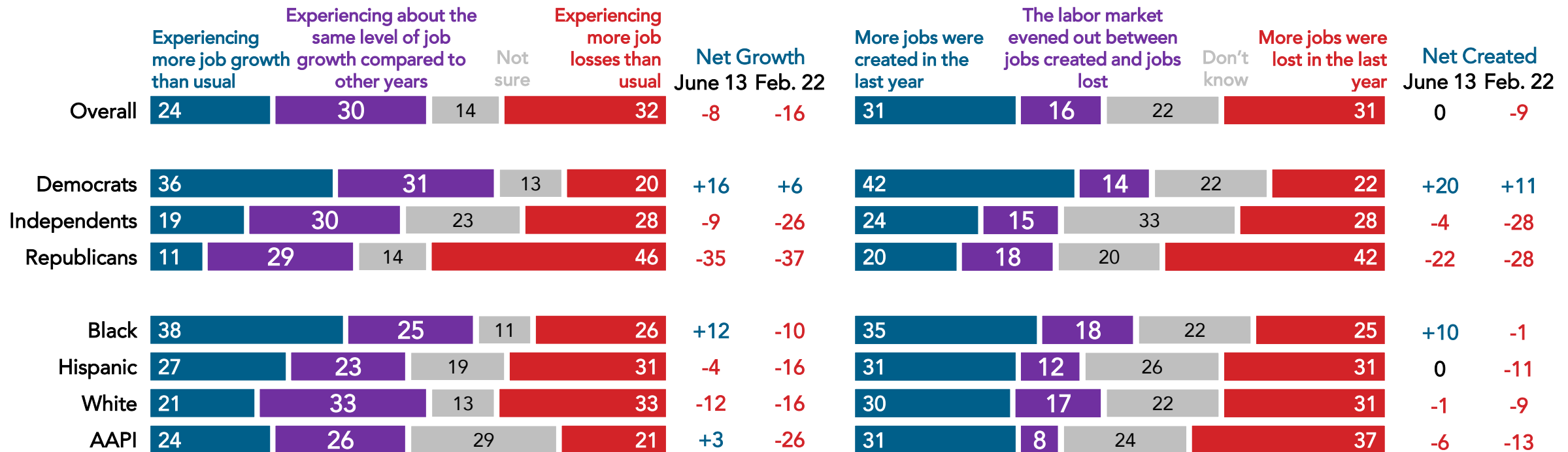
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At the Same Time, Americans are Divided on Perceptions of Job Growth in the Country

While there has been modest improvement in the share who say the economy is experiencing more job growth than usual (from net -16 to net -8) and that more jobs were created than lost in the last year (from net -9 to net 0), Americans remain very divided on job growth.

(Split sample) When it comes to the U.S. economy over the last 12 months, do you think that the country is...?

(Split sample) When it comes to the U.S. economy over the last 12 months, which of the following statements do you think is most accurate?



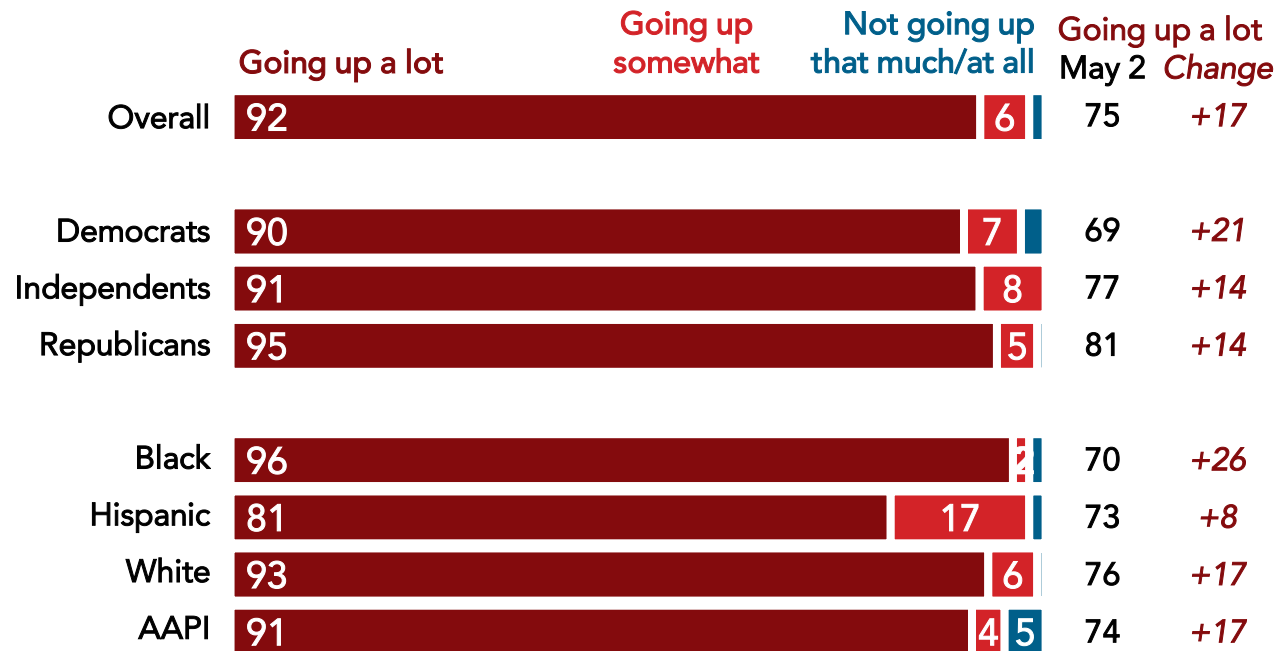
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Americans Overwhelmingly Feel Gas and Groceries are Rising "A Lot" or "Significantly" in Costs

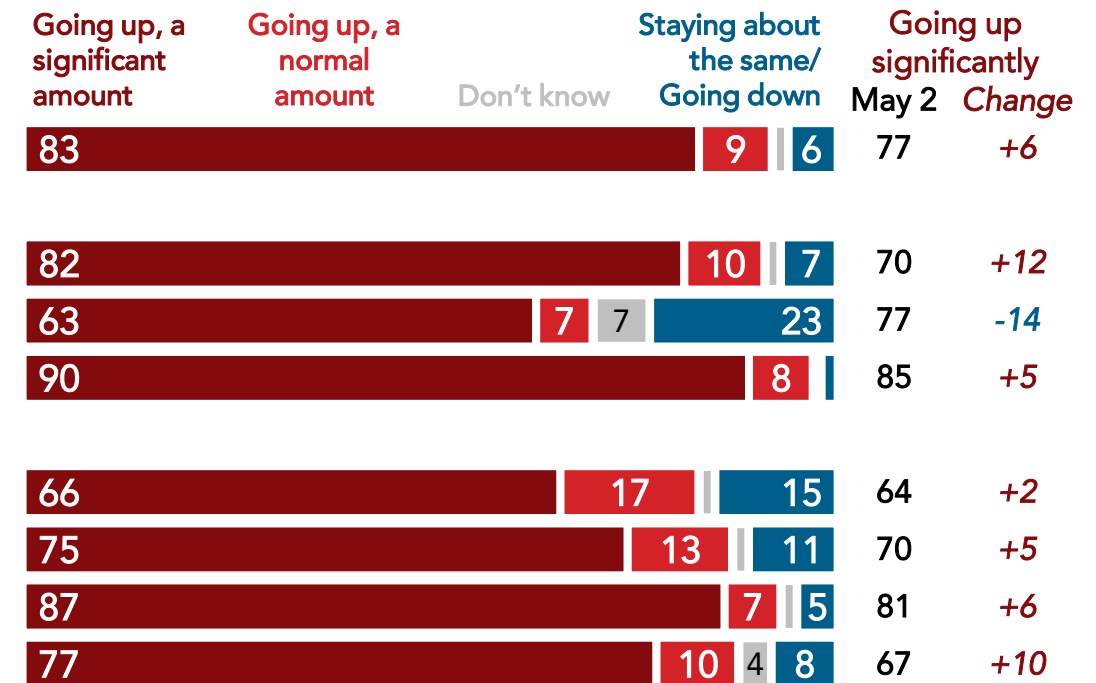
Since early May, there has been a 17-point increase in the share who say the price of gas is going up "a lot" (from 75% to 92%)

- Our full sample (100%) of independents feel that the price of gas is going up, with 91% it is going up "a lot."

Do you feel the price of gas is going up?



When it comes to the costs of everyday goods like groceries, do you think costs are:



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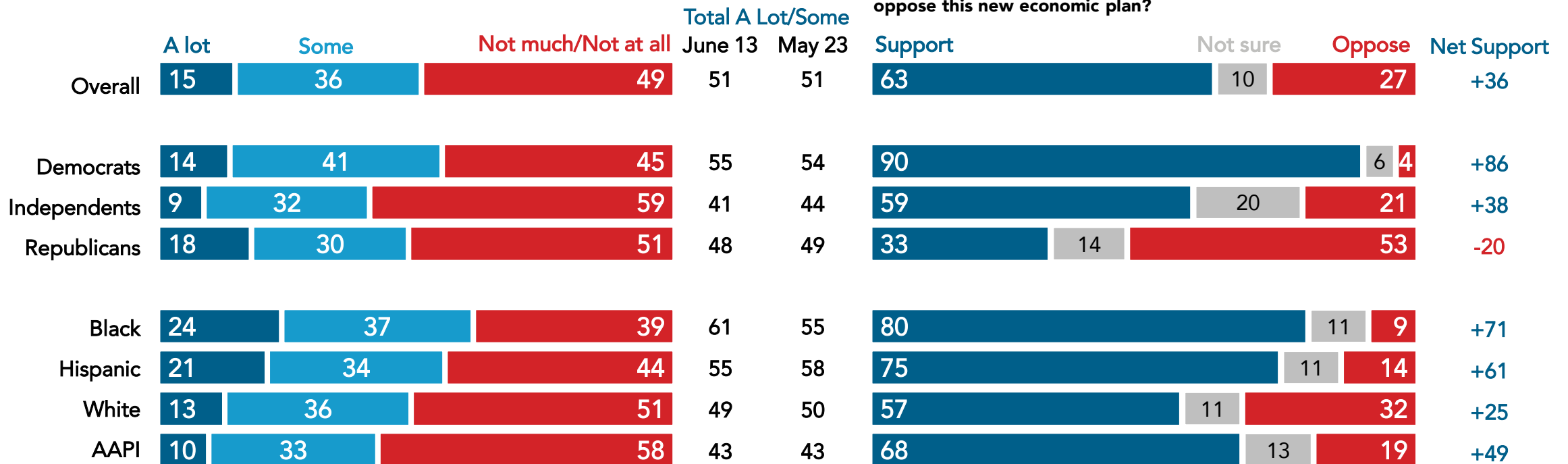
Biden and Democrats' Economic Plan Remains Popular Though Few Are Familiar

Only half of Americans (51%) have heard "a lot" or "some" about President Biden and Democrat's new economic plan, with just 15% hearing "a lot." After hearing the details of the proposed plan, more than three in five support it (63%).

- Among economically persuadable Americans*, 45% report hearing "a lot" or "some" about the plan.

How much have you seen, read, or heard about new economic legislation being proposed by President Biden and being negotiated by Democrats in Congress?

(Split Sample) As you may know, Biden and Democrats' new economic plan will lower health care costs by allowing Medicare to negotiate lower drug prices, bring down health insurance premiums for people who buy insurance on their own, and invest in clean energy like wind and solar power. Knowing this, do you support or oppose this new economic plan?

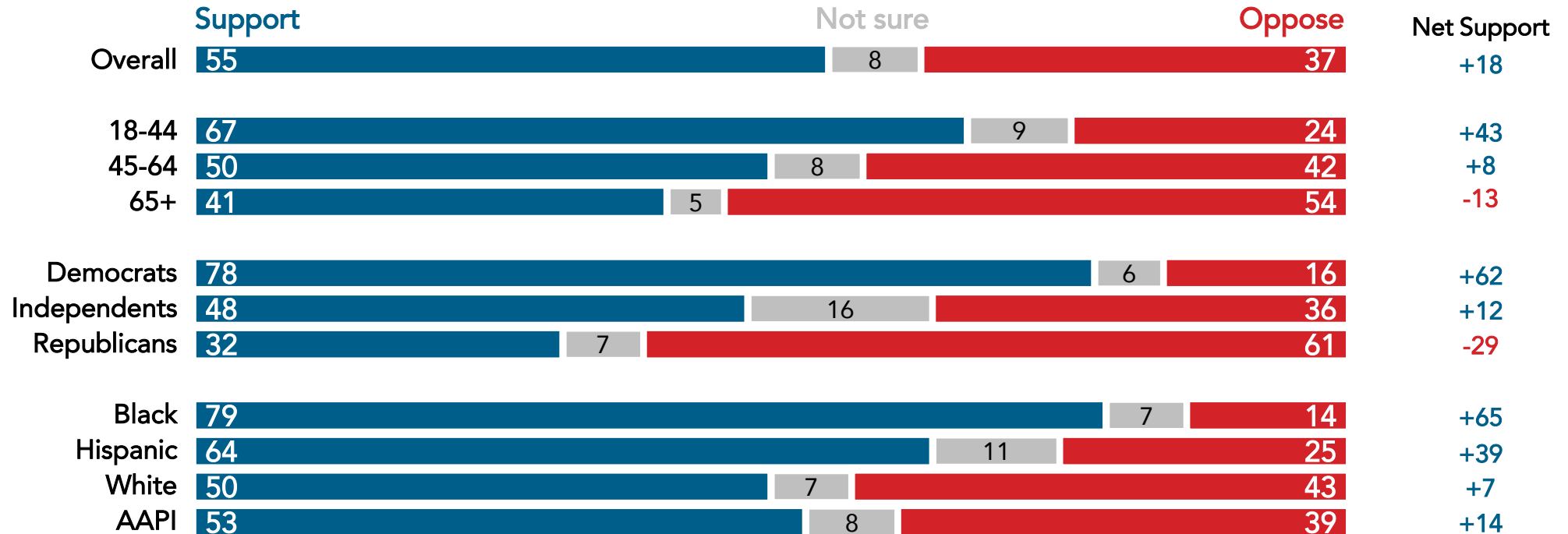


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Majorities Support Biden's Proposal to Cancel up to \$10,000 per Borrower in Student Loan Debt

Americans ages 18-44 (67%), Democrats (78%), Black Americans (79%), and Hispanic Americans (64%) are most likely to support President Biden cancelling up to \$10,000 in student loan debt.

As you may know, President Biden is considering canceling up to \$10,000 in federal student loan debt per borrower. Do you support or oppose the Biden administration canceling up to \$10,000 in federal student loan debt?



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Rebuttals Focused on Americans Overall and those Without a Degree With Debt Both Work

Independents agree with a rebuttal highlighting how canceling student loan debt can help ease the burden of inflation by 11 points.

Which side do you find more convincing?

Statement 1: Those who say that President Biden should not cancel federal student loan debt - it's rewarding people for not holding up their end of the bargain and giving handouts to those who don't need it.

Statement 2: Those who say President Biden should cancel federal student loan debt – it will provide relief to over 40 million Americans, including nearly 40% who have student loan debt, but no degree.

Statement 3: Those who say President Biden should cancel federal student loan debt – it will help ease the burden of rising costs for millions of Americans.

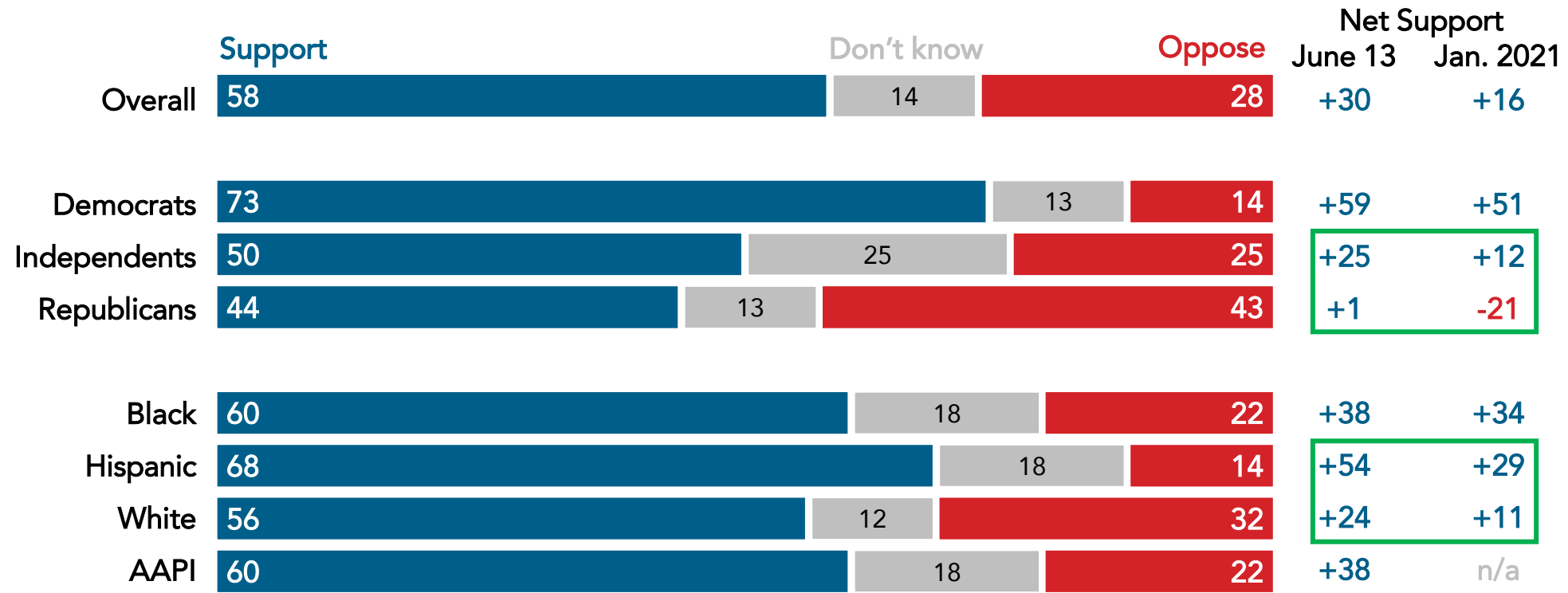
Statement 1:	40%
Statement 2:	47%
Net Statement 2:	+7

Statement 1:	40%
Statement 3:	46%
Net Statement 3:	+6

Support for Eliminating the Electoral College in Favor of a National Popular Vote Has Increased Since January 2021

Support has increased the most among independents (13 points, from net +12 to net +25), Republicans (22 points, from net -21 to net +1), Hispanic Americans (+25 points, from net +29 to net +54), and whites (13 points, from net +11 to net +24).

Do you support or oppose the following proposal: Getting rid of the Electoral College for presidential elections so the candidate with the most votes nationally always wins.



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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.

About the Study

Global Strategy Group conducted public opinion surveys among a sample of 998 registered voters from June 9-June 13, 2022. 106 additional interviews were conducted among Hispanic voters. 80 additional interviews were conducted among Asian American and Pacific Islander voters. 102 additional interviews were conducted among African American voters. 101 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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