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Education and Gun
Violence: A Guide for
Advocates



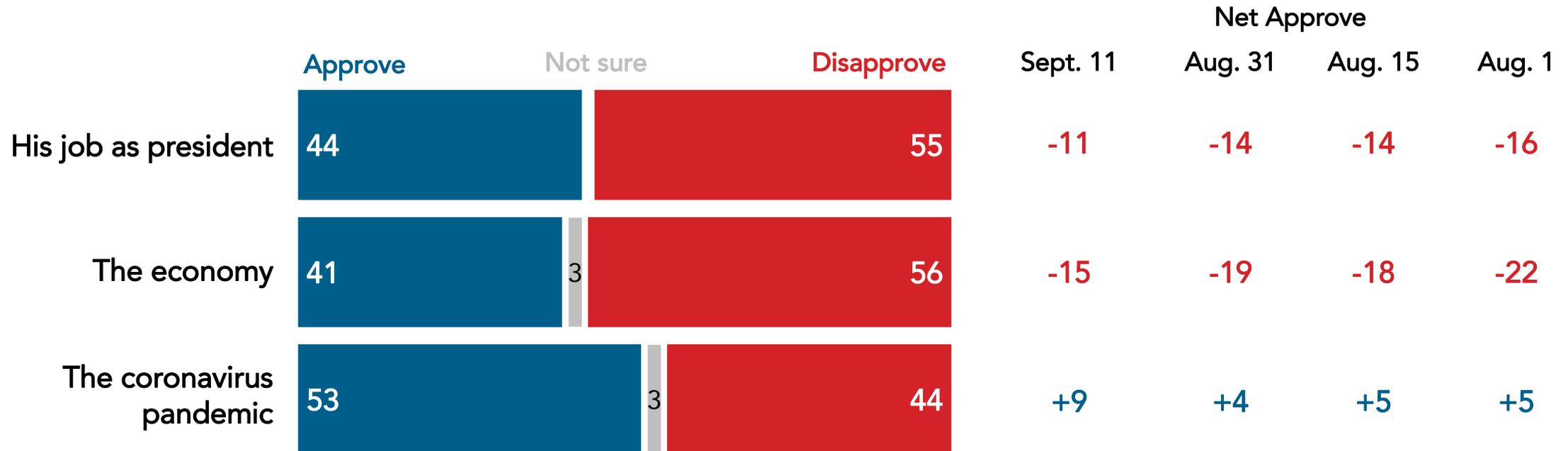
Key Takeaways:

- Biden's approval ratings have improved, driven in part by stronger standings among less ideological Democrats and independents.
- Of a range of items, top concerns for Americans on schools are school shootings and book bans.
- Majorities continue to say gun violence and mass shootings are a crisis or major issue and want stronger gun laws.

Biden's Numbers Have Ticked Up Across the Board

President Biden's overall approval ratings have improved by a net 5 points since August 1st (from net -16 to net -11) while his economic approval rating has improved by a net 7 points (from -22 to -15) and his pandemic approval by a net 4 points (from +5 to +9).

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

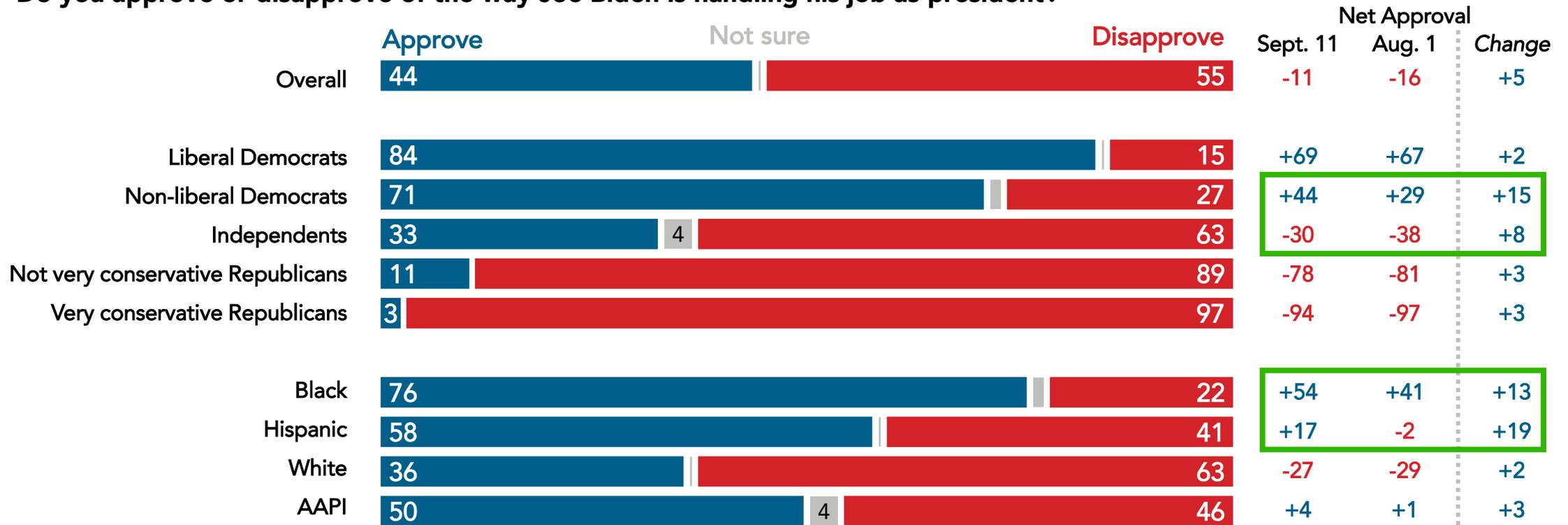


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Non-Liberal Democrats, Independents, Black Americans, and Hispanic Americans Are Among Greatest Approval Improvers

Since early August, net approval of Biden among non-liberal Democrats has increased by 15 points (from net +29 to net +44), among independents has increased by 8 (from -38 to -30), among Black Americans by 13 (from +41 to +54), and Hispanic Americans by 19 (from -2 to +17).

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling his job as president?

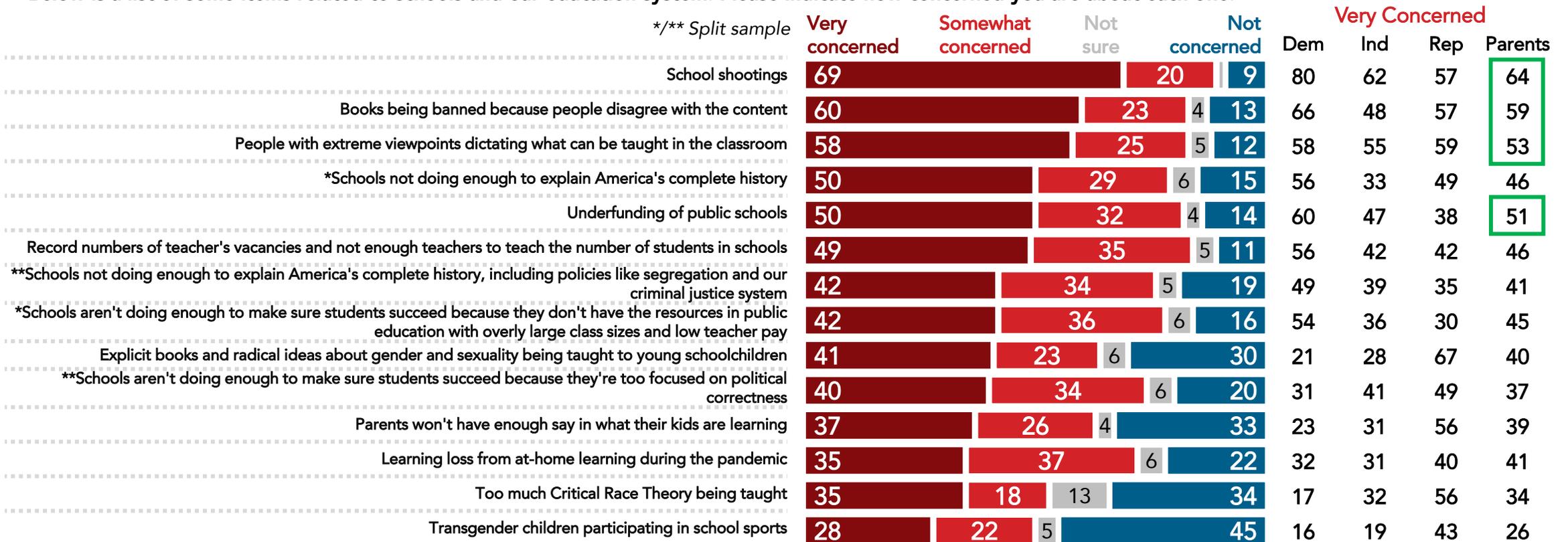


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School Shootings and Book Bans Dominate Concerns for Americans Around Schools, Including Parents

Parents are most concerned about school shootings (64% very concerned), books being banned (59%), people with extreme viewpoints dictating what gets taught in a classroom (53%), and the underfunding of public schools (51%).

Below is a list of some items related to schools and our education system. Please indicate how concerned you are about each one.



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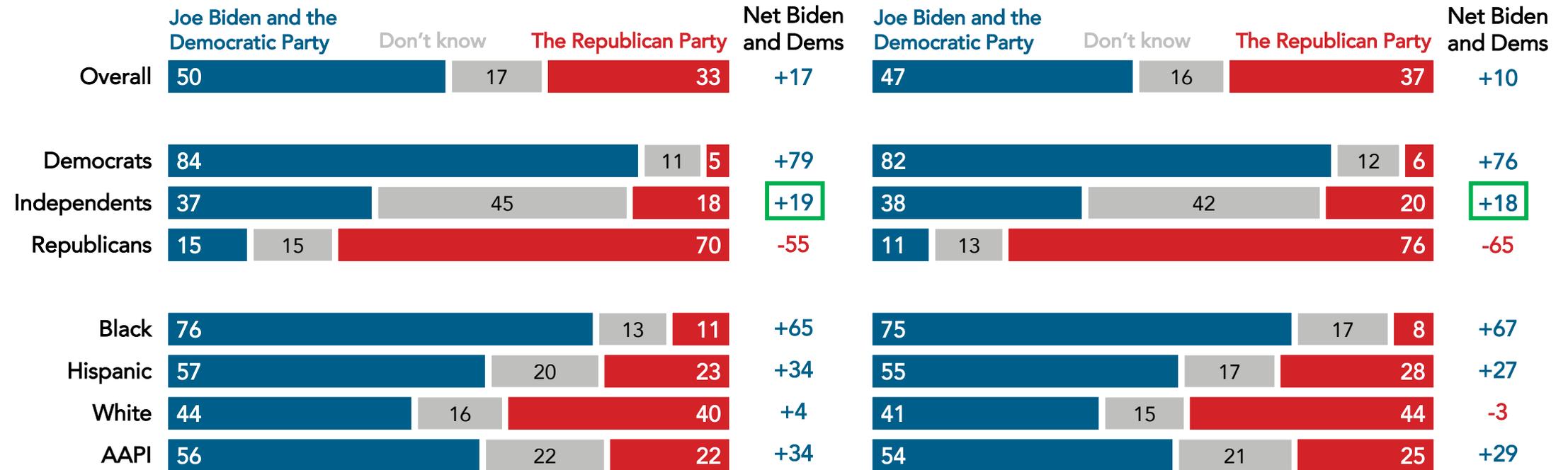
Biden and Democrats More Trusted on Funding Public Schools and Education Generally

Independents are more likely to trust Biden and Democrats on “making sure public schools have the funding” they need (net +19 trust Biden and Democrats) and “the issue of education” (+18).

Below is a list of issues. Please indicate who you trust more to handle each one:

Making sure public schools have the funding to pay for books, building repairs, and other expenses.

The issue of education.



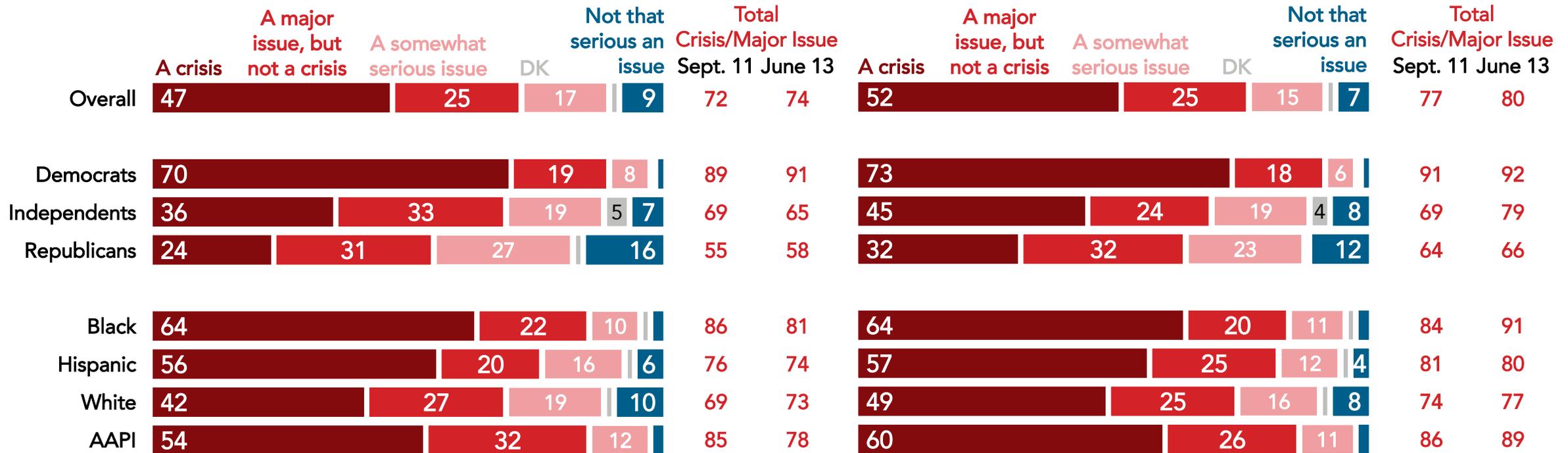
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Majorities Continue to Call Gun Violence and Mass Shootings a Crisis or Major Issue

Nearly seven in ten independents call each a "crisis" or a "major issue, but not a crisis" (69% each).

How big of an issue do you think gun violence is in the United States?

How big of an issue do you think mass shootings are in the United States?

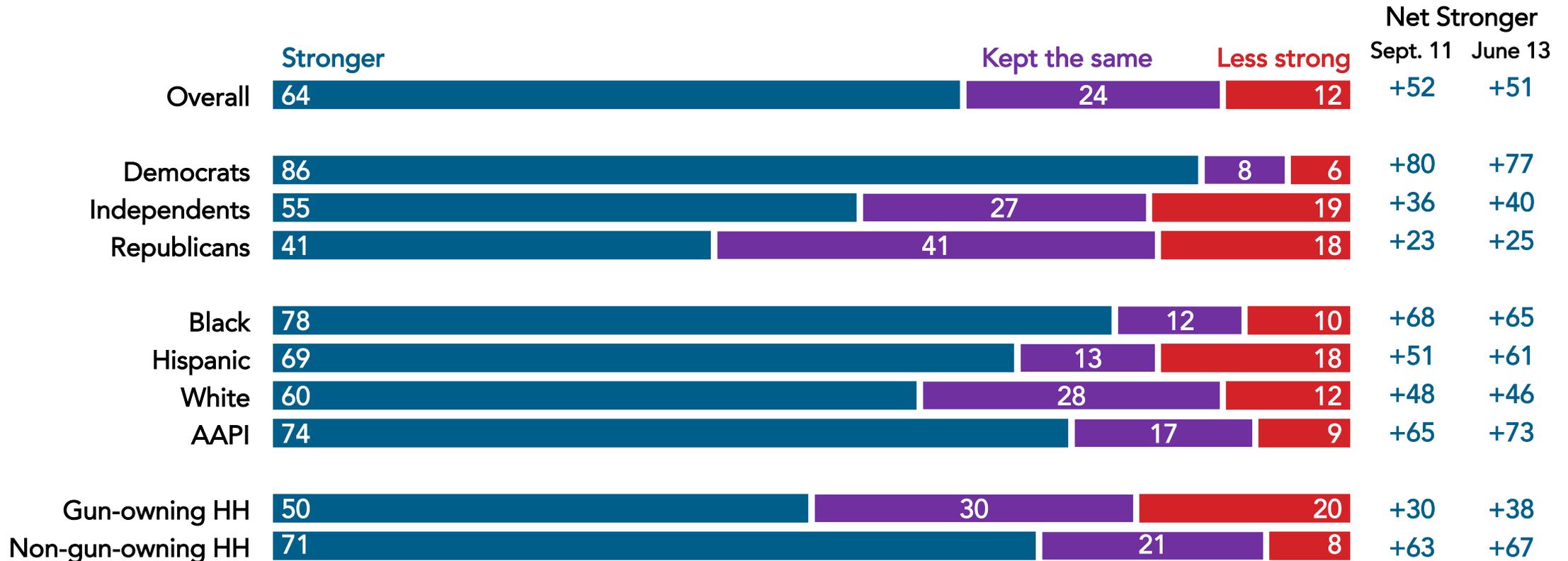


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Nearly Two in Three Continue to Want Stronger Gun Laws

Majorities of Democrats (86%), independents (55%), and every racial group favor stronger gun laws; 82% of Republicans want gun laws to be made stronger or kept the same as they are now.

Do you think gun laws in the United States should be stronger, less strong, or kept the same as they are now?



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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.

About the Study

Global Strategy Group conducted public opinion surveys among a sample of 1,001 registered voters from September 8-September 11, 2022. 96 additional interviews were conducted among Hispanic voters. 76 additional interviews were conducted among Asian American and Pacific Islander voters. 100 additional interviews were conducted among African American voters. 99 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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