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Protecting Abortion  
Access: A Guide for  
Advocates



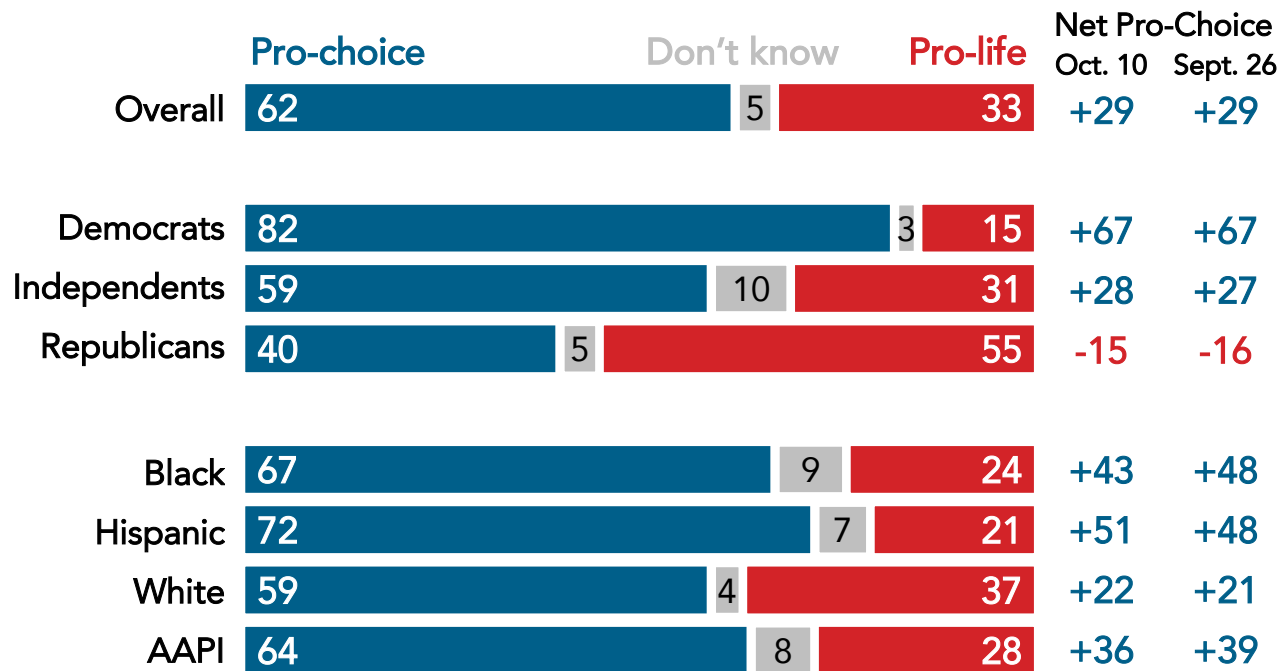
## Key Takeaways:

- Majorities of Americans remain pro-choice and disapprove of the Supreme Court's decision to overturn *Roe v. Wade*.
- Three in four Americans overall see abortion rights at risk nationally, and in states where abortion restrictions have been implemented post-*Dobbs*, a similar share say the same about abortion rights in their state.
- The House Republicans' "Commitment to America" plan is deeply unpopular – and even more so when including provisions to ban abortion and allowing insurers to deny coverage to those with pre-existing conditions.

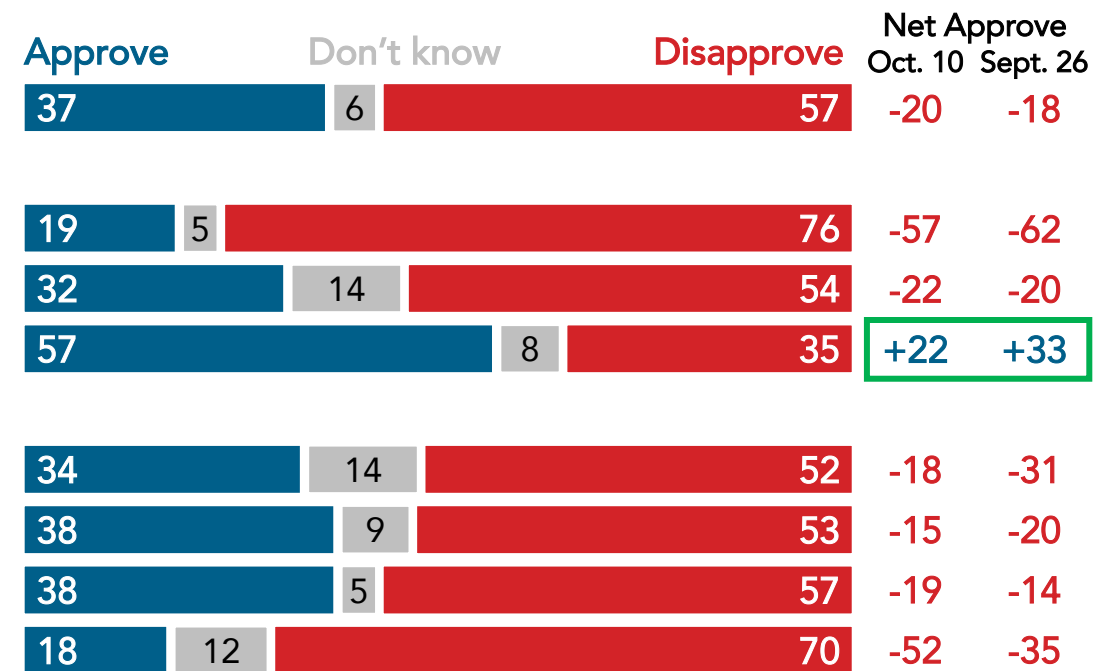
# Majorities of Americans Continue to Be Pro-Choice and Disapprove of the Supreme Court's Decision on *Roe v. Wade*

Majorities of Democrats (82%) and independents (59%) say they are pro-choice and disapprove of the Court's decision to overturn *Roe* (76% and 54%, respectively). Republican support for the decision has fallen by 11 points (from net +33 to +22) since September.

When it comes to the issue of abortion, which of the following best describes your position?



As you may know, the Supreme Court recently decided to overturn *Roe v. Wade*, eliminating the federal right to an abortion as a result. Do you approve or disapprove the Supreme Court eliminating federal protections for abortion?



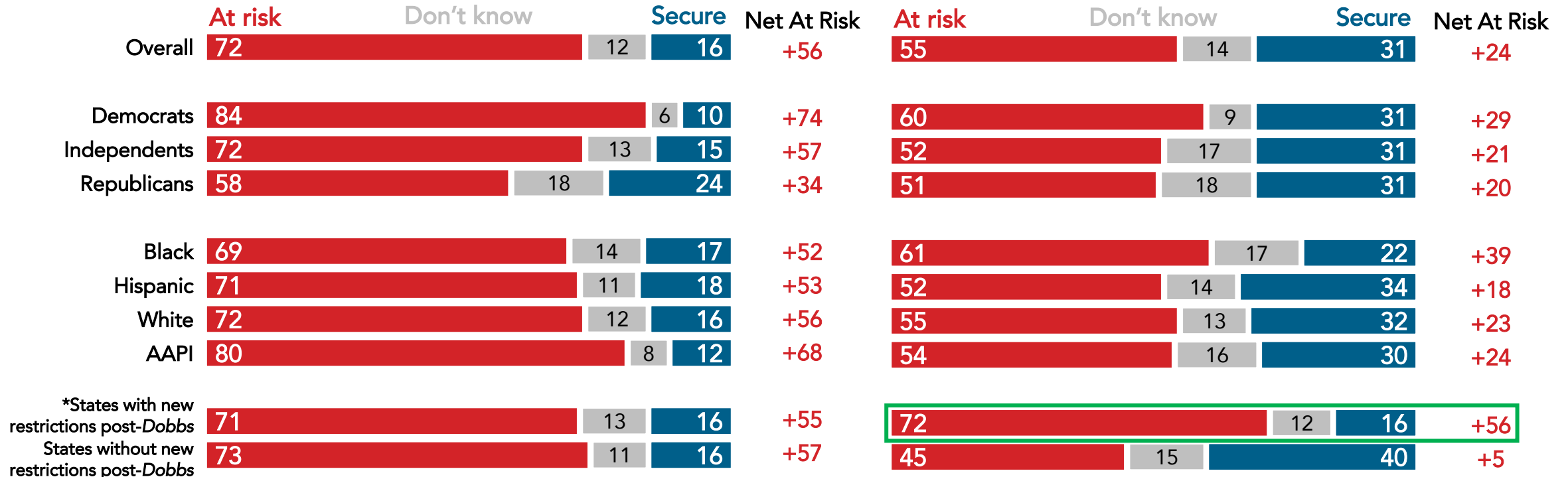
Nationwide surveys of registered voters; Each wave represents approximately 1,000 interviews taken over the prior three-five days. Latest wave conducted October 6-October 10, 2022. For more info, visit [navigatorresearch.org](https://navigatorresearch.org)

# Three in Four See National Abortion Rights at Risk; Those in States With New Restrictions See Particularly Acute Risk Levels

Majorities across party and race see national abortion rights at risk. At the state-level, there is partisan differentiation (Democrats see it most at risk in their state), with the most pronounced difference coming from states with new restrictions following the *Dobbs* ruling (72% say abortion is at risk in their state) compared to those in states with no new restrictions (45%).

What is your impression: the right to abortion in our country is...

What is your impression: the right to abortion in [STATE] is...



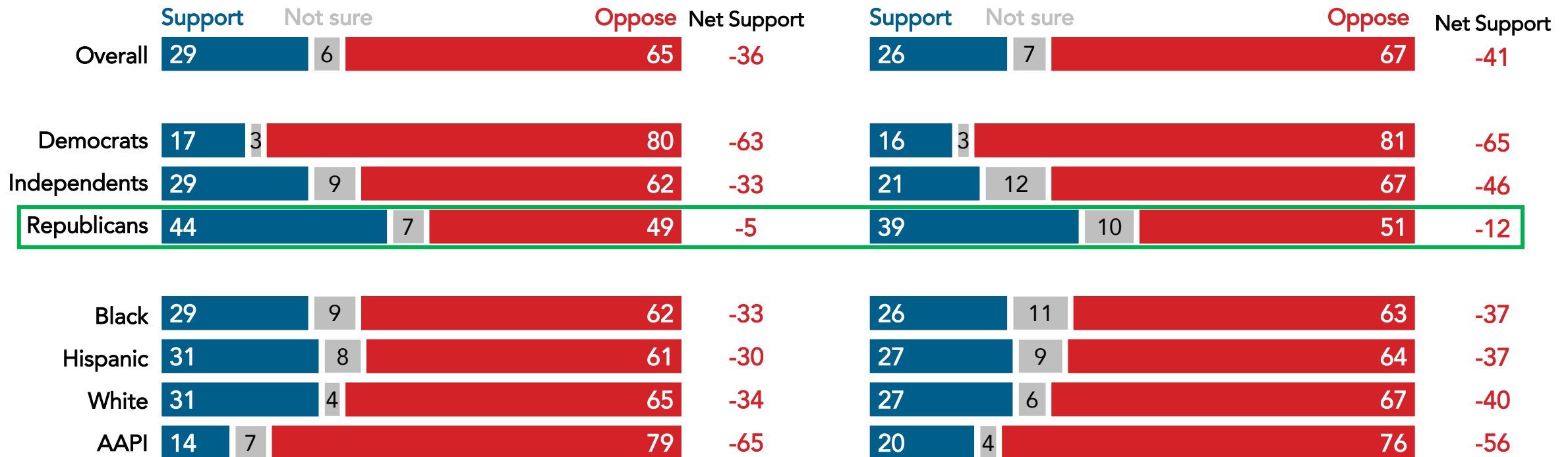
\*States with new restrictions post-Dobbs include those in Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, and West Virginia. Nationwide survey of 1,000 registered voters conducted October 6-October 10, 2022. For more info, visit [navigatorresearch.org](https://navigatorresearch.org).

# A Nationwide Abortion Ban Generally Is Unpopular, With Senate Republicans' Proposed Plan Even More So

After learning that Senate Republicans' specifically proposed ban does not include exceptions for the health of the mother, majorities of every partisan and racial group – including Republicans – oppose it.

As you may know, Senate Republicans recently proposed a national abortion ban, which would ban abortions in all 50 states without exceptions for the health of the mother. Knowing this, would you support or oppose the U.S. Senate passing a national abortion ban?

Do you support or oppose a nationwide ban on abortion?



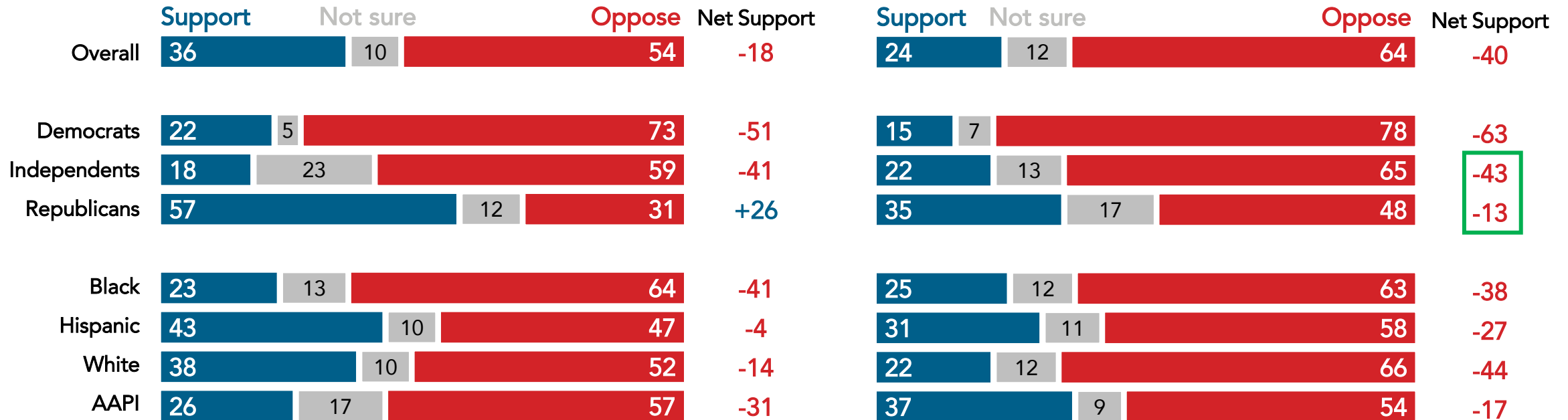
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# Focusing on Healthcare Provisions and Abortion Ban in GOP's "Commitment to America" Plan Drives Up Opposition

After learning about the plan's provisions that would let health insurers deny coverage to people with pre-existing conditions and ban abortion nationwide, a majority of independents (65%) oppose the plan, as do a plurality of Republicans (48%).

**(Split sample)** As you may know, House Republicans released a campaign plan called the "Commitment to America" plan that would place additional restrictions on abortion access, spend taxpayer dollars to complete a wall at the southern border, and repeal the Inflation Reduction Act, meaning Medicare would no longer be able to negotiate lower prescription drug prices. Knowing this, do you support or oppose this plan?

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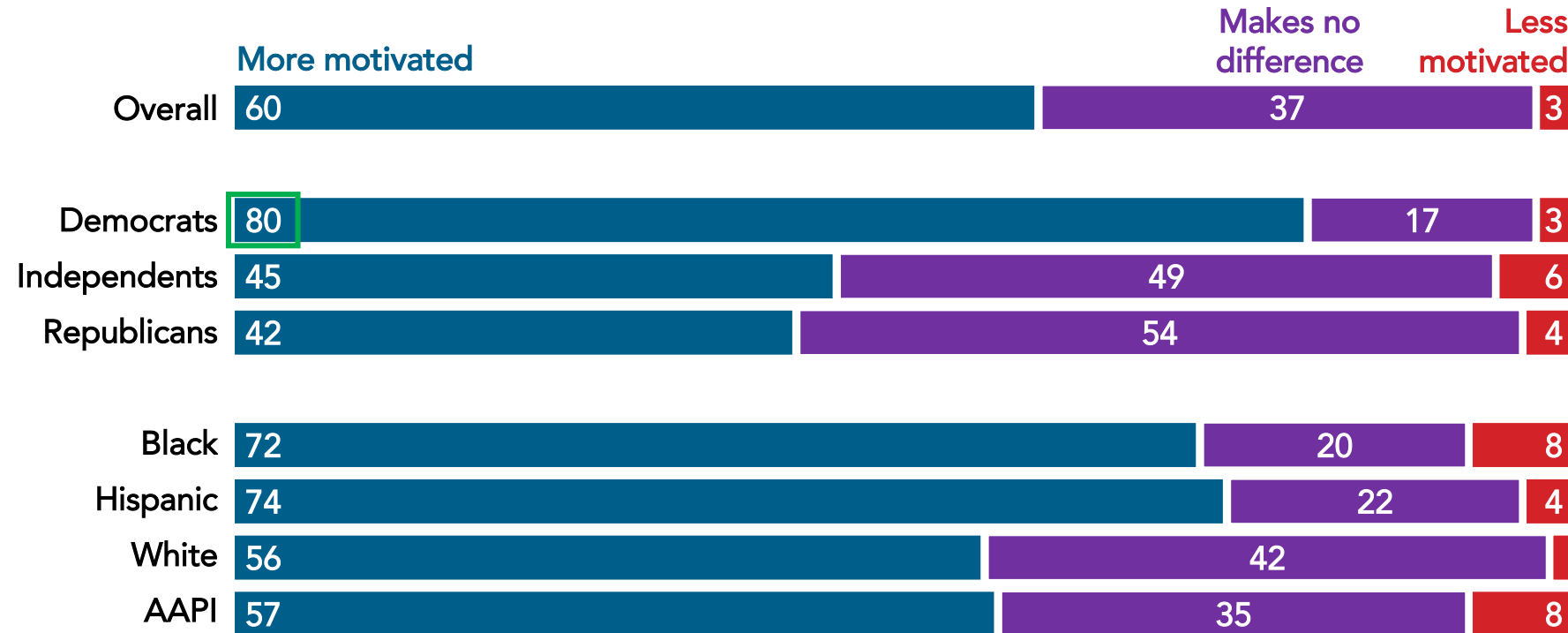


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# The Prospect of a Nationwide Abortion Ban Is Most Motivating Among Democrats

Four in five Democrats (80%) and nearly three in four Hispanic Americans (74%) and Black Americans (72%) say this news about a national abortion ban makes them more motivated to vote.

And regardless of how you plan to vote in November... does this news about a national abortion ban make you feel more or less motivated to vote?



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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 1,000 registered voters from October 6-October 10, 2022. 102 additional interviews were conducted among Hispanic voters. 78 additional interviews were conducted among Asian American and Pacific Islander voters. 102 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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