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A Guide for
Advocates



Key Takeaways:

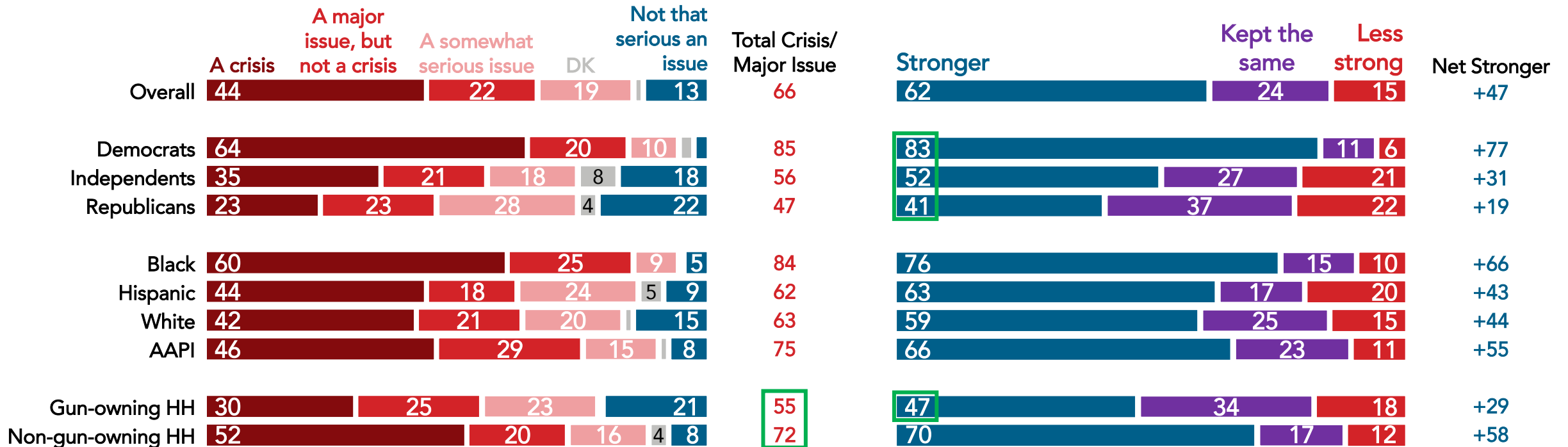
- Two in three Americans say gun violence is a crisis or major issue, and nearly as many support stronger gun laws to address the problem.
- Majorities say police brutality is a crisis or major issue and think big changes are needed to the way police operate in the United States.
- More than three in five continue to identify as pro-choice, and this support extends to keeping early medication abortion care legal.

Two in Three Call Gun Violence a Crisis or Major Issue, and Majorities Support Stronger Gun Laws

A majority of independents (52%), four in ten Republicans (41%), and 47% of those in gun-owning households continue to say gun laws in the U.S. "should be stronger."

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

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



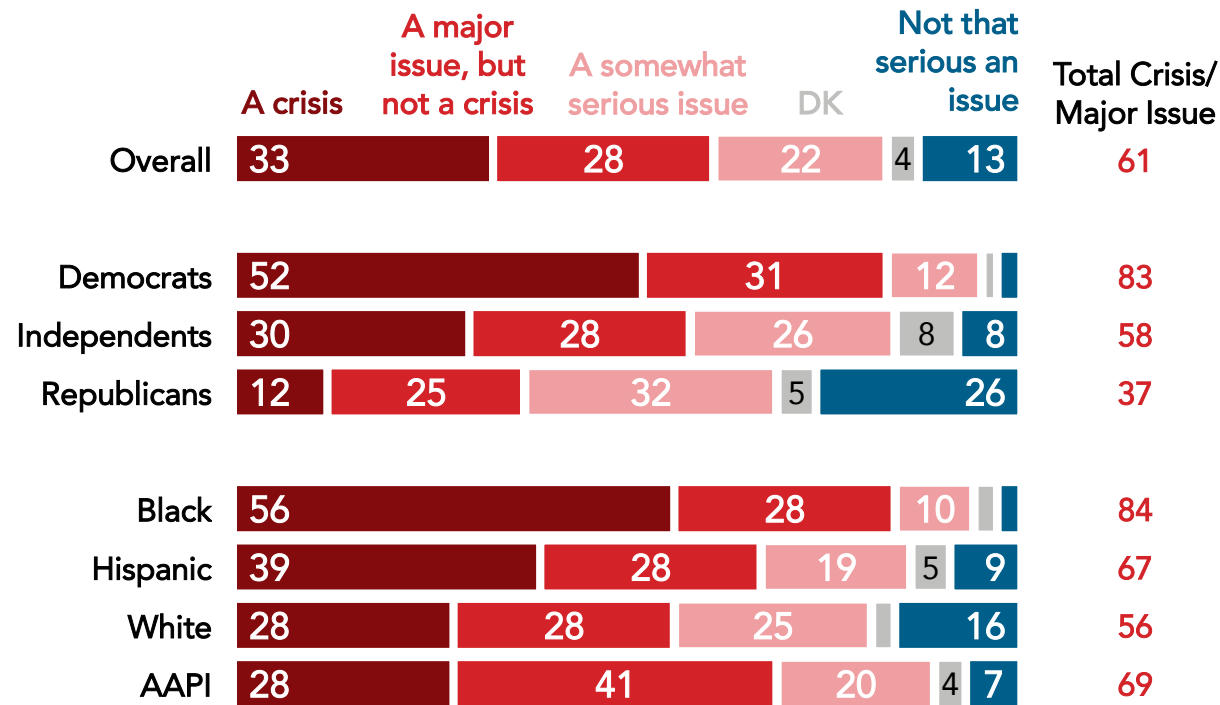
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Three in Five Call Police Brutality a Crisis or Major Issue; More Worry Too Little Will Be Done to Reduce It Than Too Much

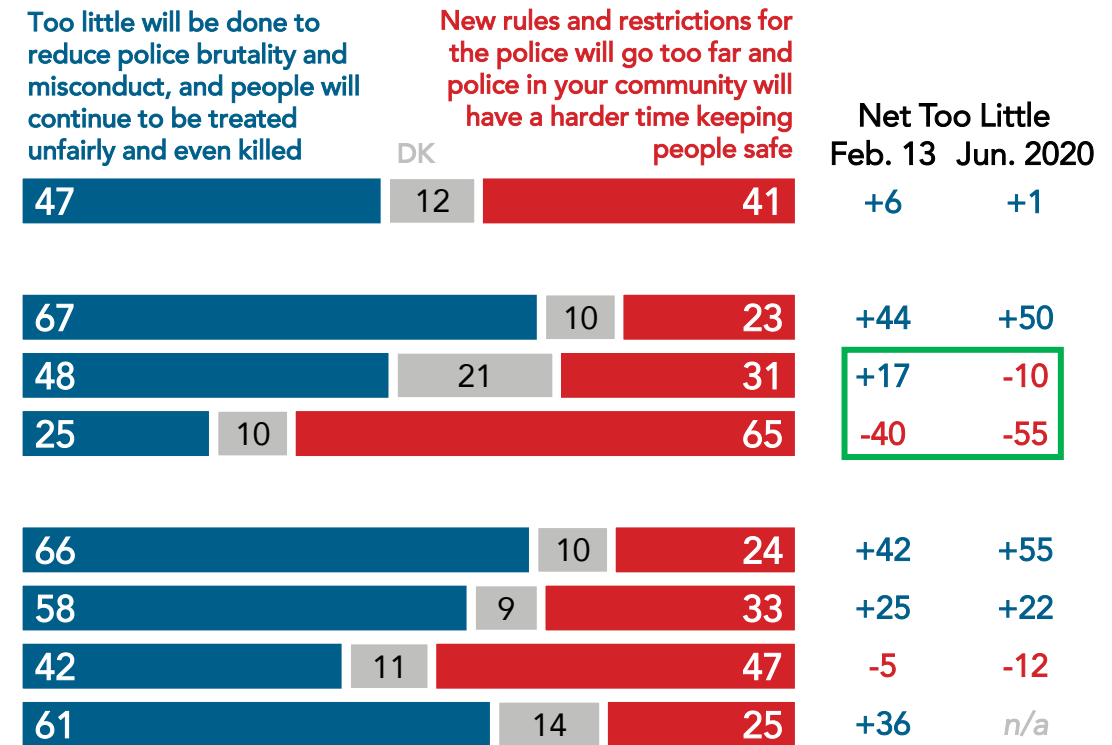
Nearly as many Americans describe police brutality as “a crisis” or “a major issue” (61%) as describe gun violence in the same terms (66%).

- There has been a 27-point increase among independents in the net share who are more concerned too little will be done about police brutality (from net -10 “too little” in June of 2020 to net +17) and a 15-point increase among Republicans (from net -55 to net -40).

Would you say the state of police brutality in the U.S. is best described as...



Which of the following concerns you more?

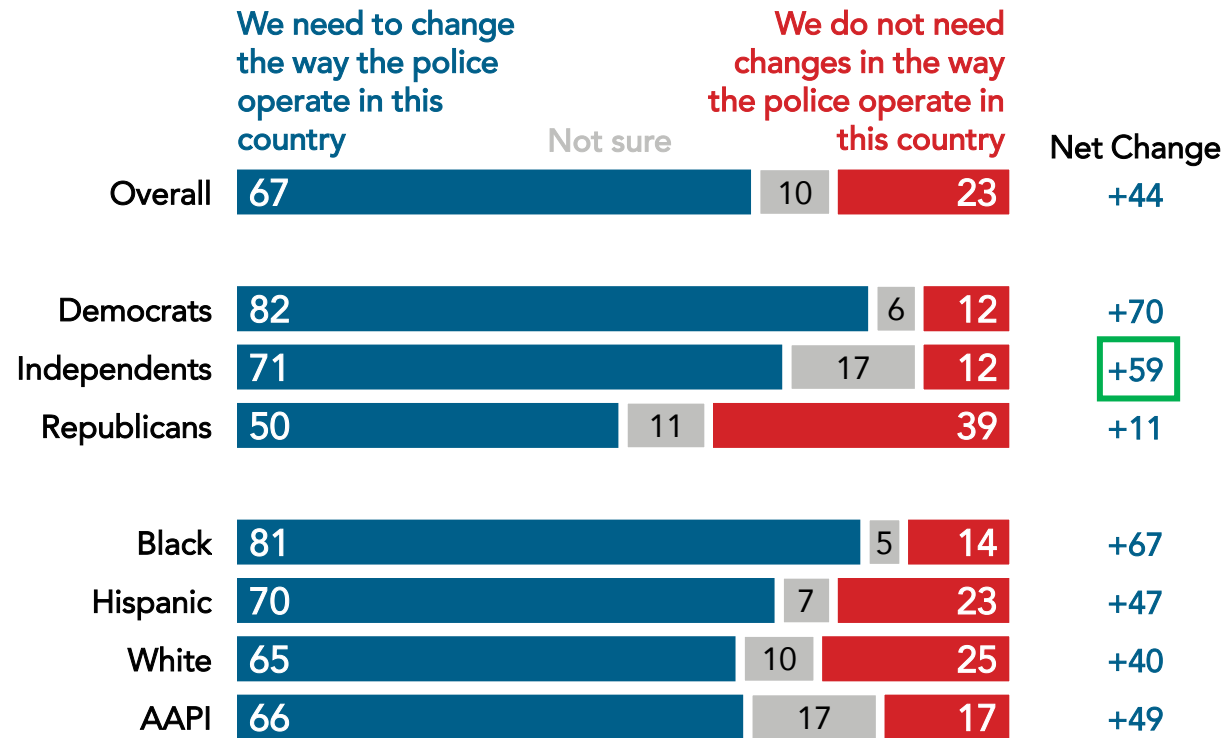


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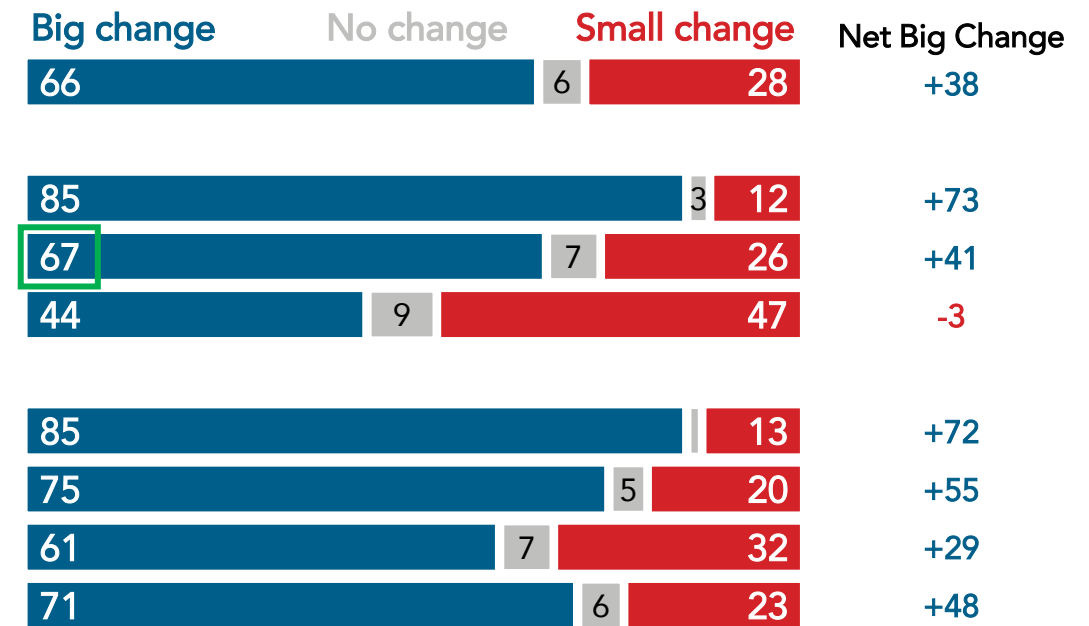
Two in Three Americans Think Big Changes Are Needed to the Way Police Operate

By large margins, independents agree that “we need to change the way police operate in this country” (net +59) and 67% say that “very big change” or “big change” is needed.

Which of the following do you agree with more?



In order to address police brutality, how much change do you think is needed to the way police operate in this country?

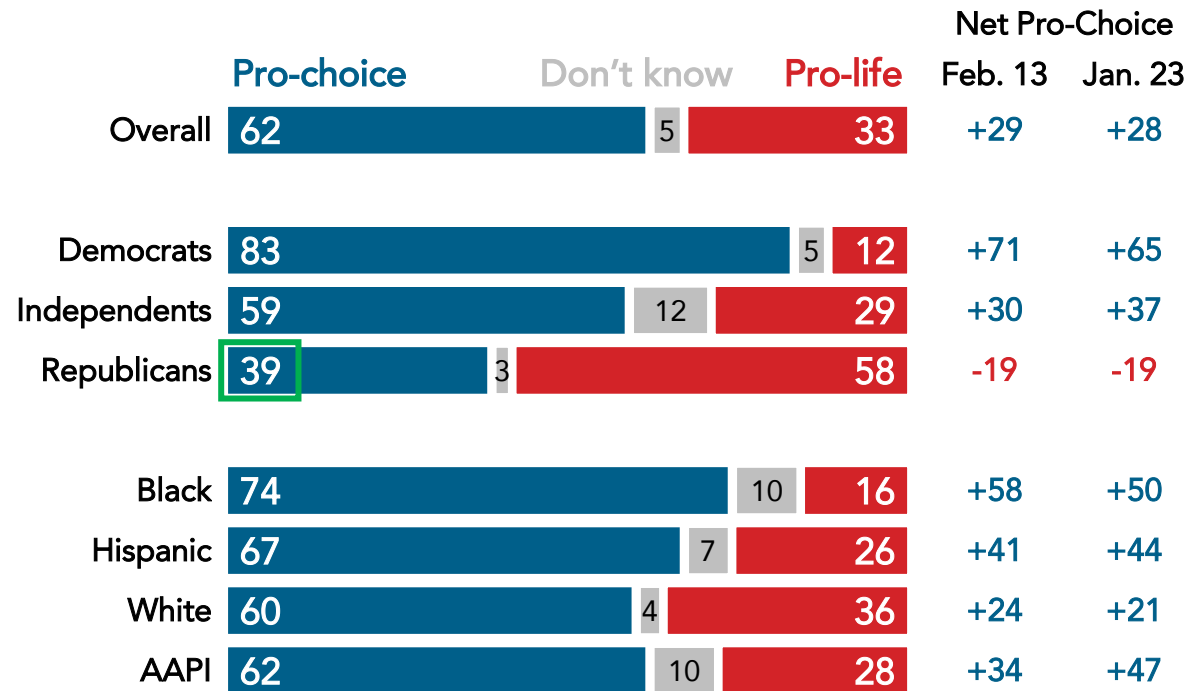


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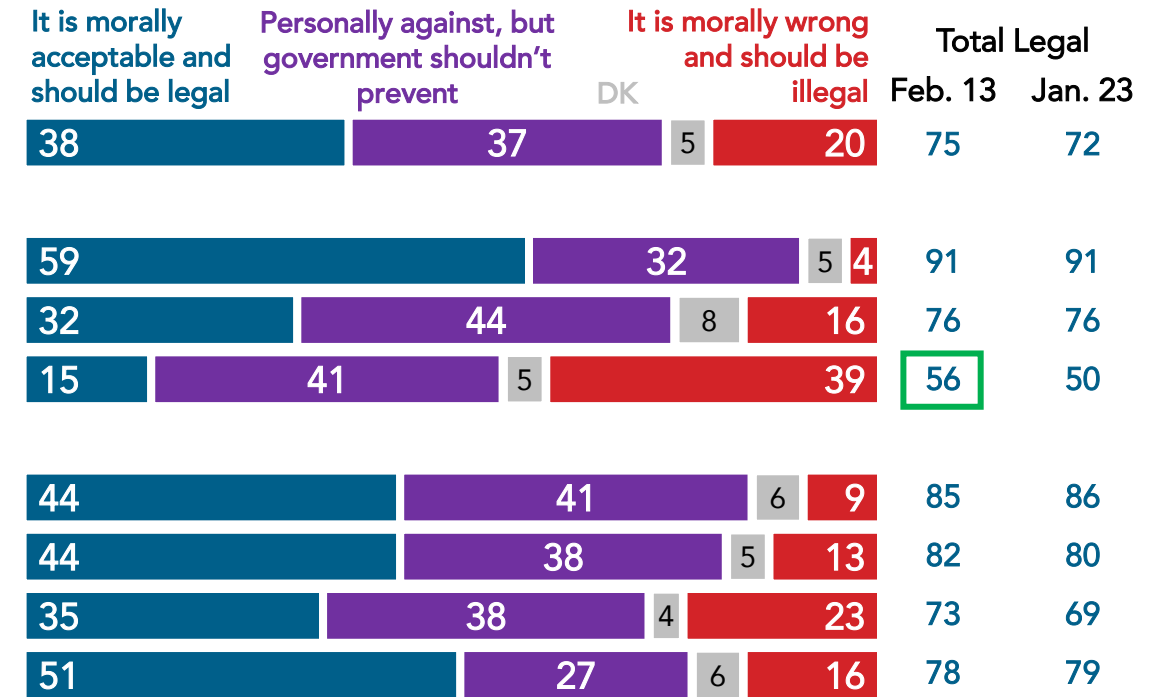
Majorities of Americans Continue to Be Pro-Choice and Say Abortion Should Be Legal

Nearly two in five Republicans (39%) say they are “pro-choice,” and three in four Americans believe that the government should not prevent a woman from making that decision for herself (75%).

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



Which one of the following statements comes closest to describing how you feel about the issue of abortion?



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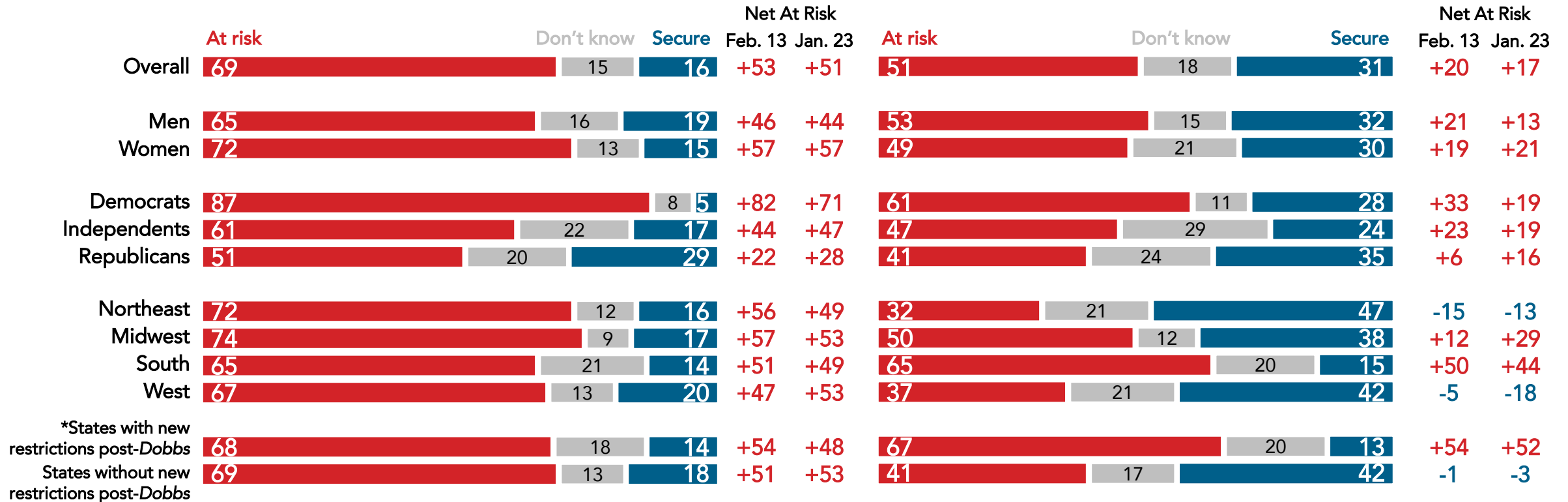
Majorities Continue to Perceive Threats to Abortion Rights at the National and State Levels

Nearly seven in ten Americans (69%) say the right to an abortion in the U.S. is “at risk.”

- A large majority (67%) of those living in states with new restrictions following the overturning of *Roe* say the right to an abortion is at risk in their state, while a plurality in states without new restrictions say the right to an abortion in their state is secure (42%).

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

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

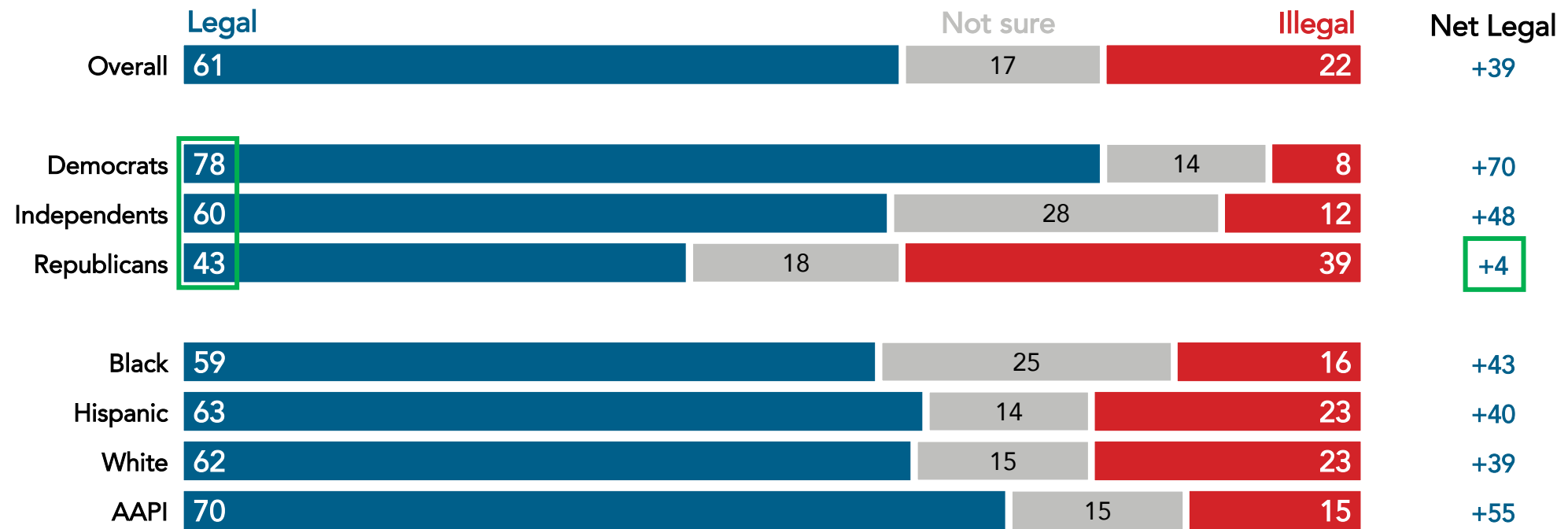


*"States with new restrictions post-Dobbs" include those in Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, and West Virginia. Nationwide surveys of registered voters; Each wave represents approximately 1,000 interviews taken over the prior three-five days. Latest wave conducted February 9-February 13, 2023. For more info, visit navigatorresearch.org.

Three in Five Think Early Medication Abortion Care Should Remain Legal

Clear majorities of Democrats (78%), independents (60%), and every racial group think early medication abortion care should remain legal, along with a plurality of Republicans (43%).

Do you think early medication abortion care should remain legal or be made illegal?



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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: Jessica Floyd, 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 February 9-February 13, 2023. 99 additional interviews were conducted among Hispanic voters. 74 additional interviews were conducted among Asian American and Pacific Islander voters. 99 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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