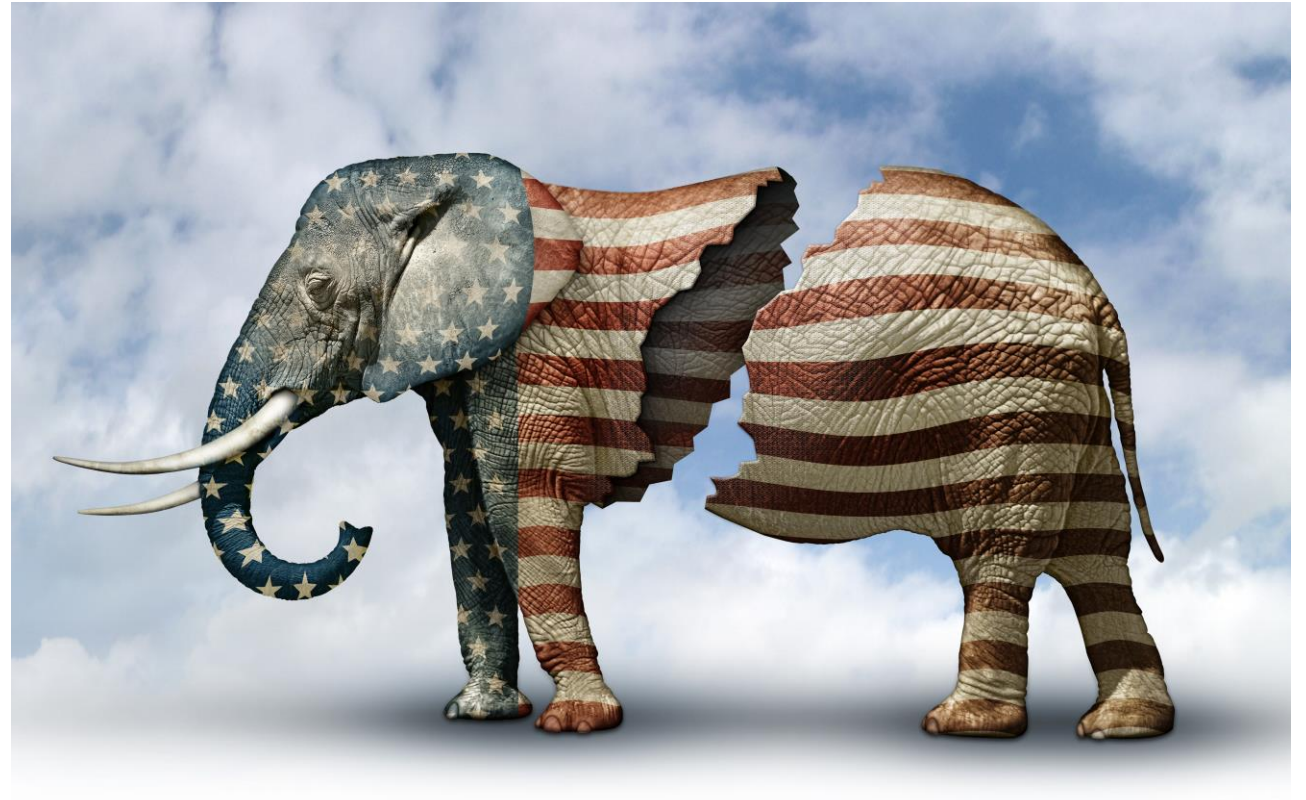


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Republicans in Disarray:
A Guide for Advocates



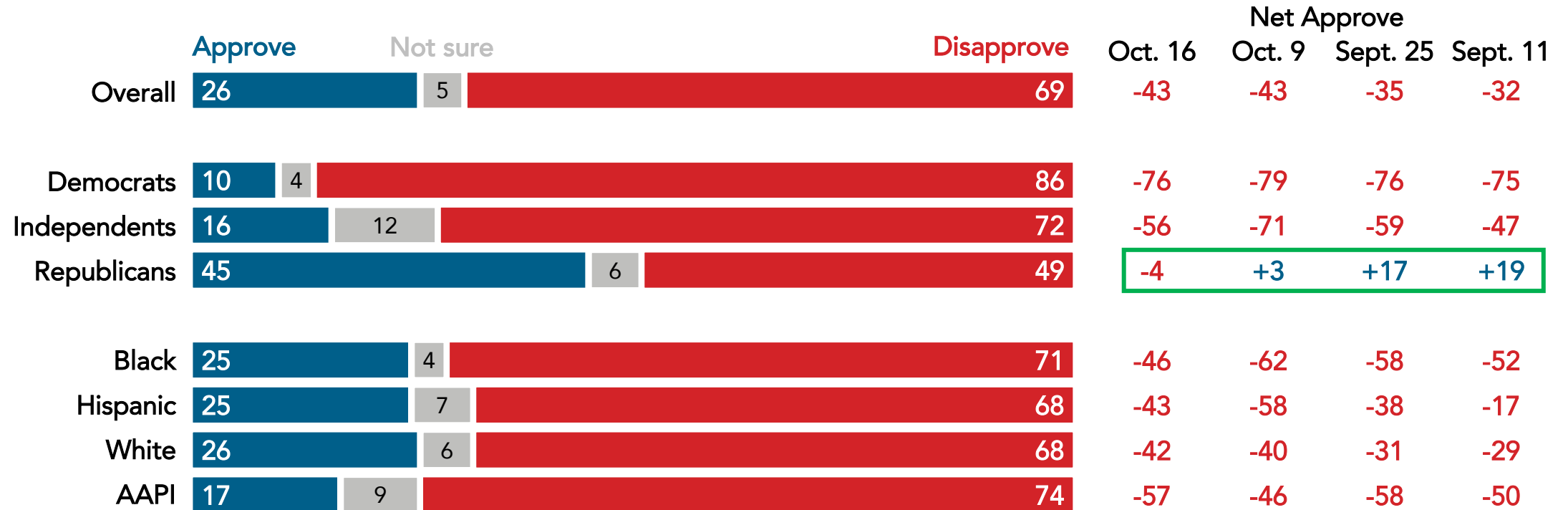
Key Takeaways:

- Overwhelming majorities disapprove of the job Republicans in Congress are doing, while nearly three in four report hearing negative information about them. Turmoil around electing a Speaker is dominating what Americans are hearing.
- Key House Republicans all have net negative favorability ratings, while a majority of Americans still have no opinion of Jim Jordan.
- More Americans would now blame Republicans if a shutdown were to occur, and three in five say a government shutdown would have a negative impact on them personally, including majorities across party lines.
- Awareness of a potential government shutdown this fall has eroded since a shutdown was avoided on September 30th.

Nearly Seven in Ten Disapprove of the Job Republicans in Congress Are Doing – Including a Plurality of Republicans

Since September, Republicans' views of how members of their party in Congress are handling their jobs have eroded substantially, from net +19 approve last month to net -4 approve today.

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Republicans in Congress are handling their jobs?

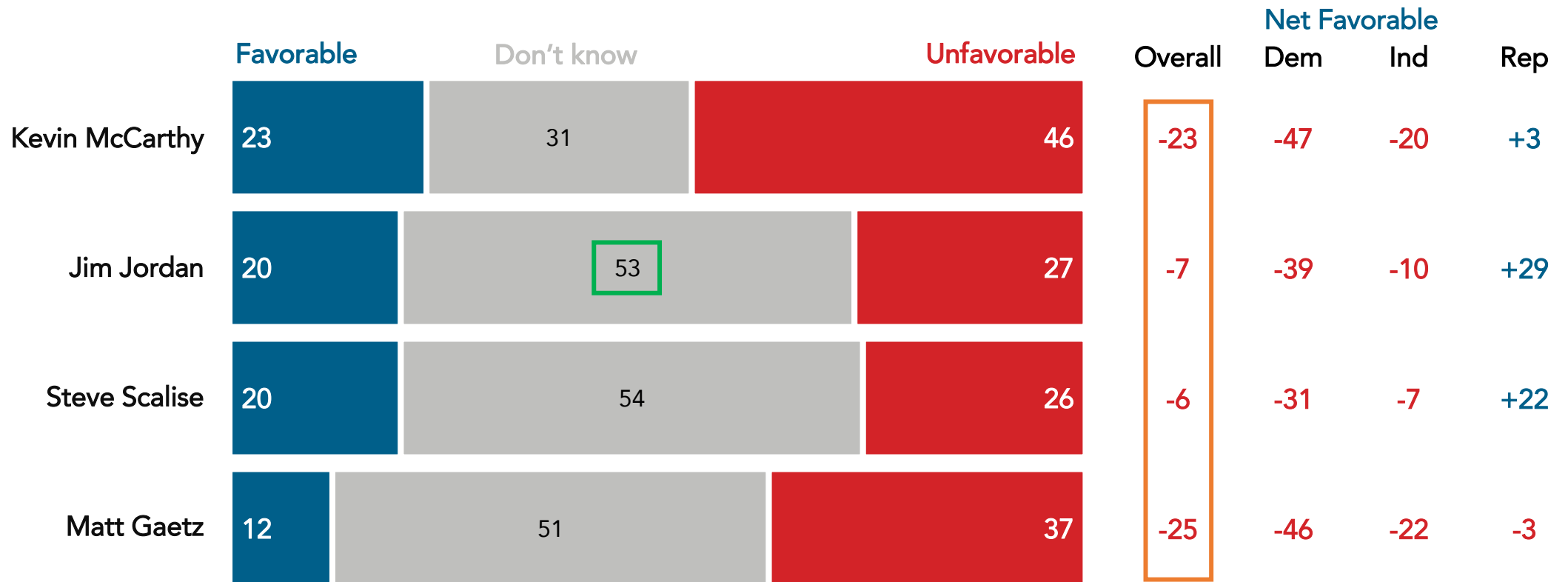


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Key Republicans in the Speaker's Race Are All Underwater

Key Republican figures like Kevin McCarthy (net -23 favorable) and Matt Gaetz (net -25) are deeply unpopular, while more than half of Americans report not knowing who Jim Jordan is (53% don't know enough to give a rating or have never heard of him).

Please indicate how favorable or unfavorable you are to each one.

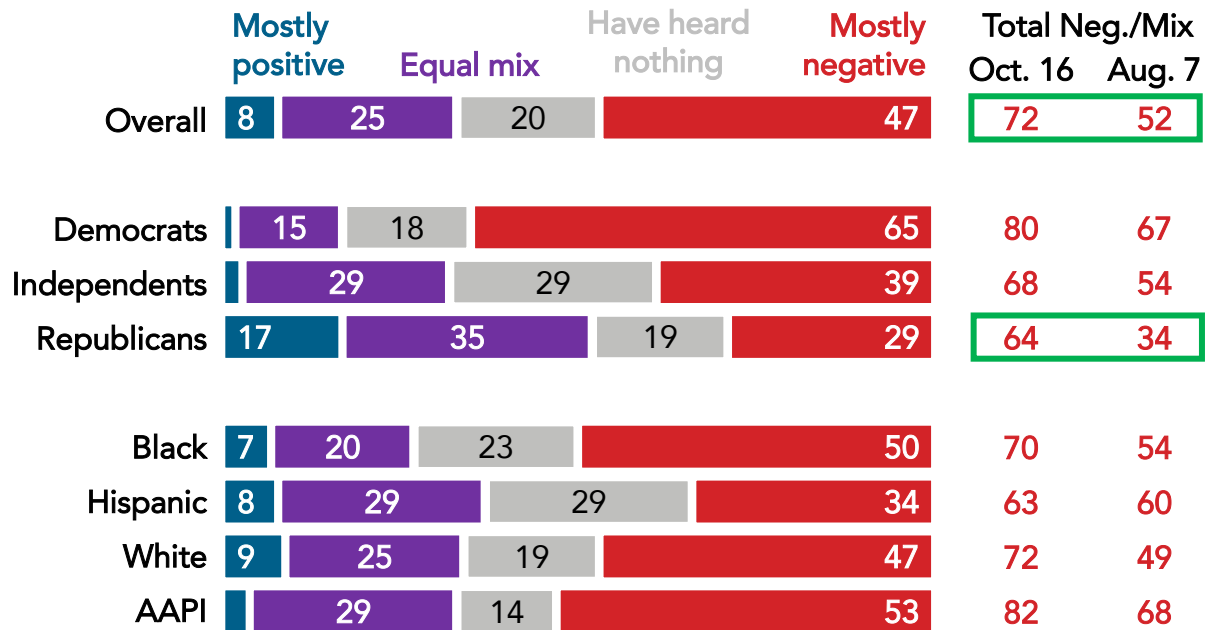


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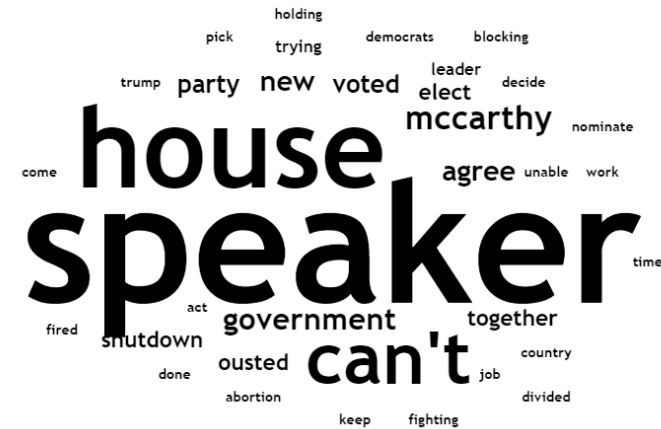
Nearly Three in Four Are Hearing Negative Information on Congressional GOP as Speaker Race Turmoil Dominates

Nearly three in four (72%) now report hearing “mostly negative” or an “equal mix of mix of positive and negative” information about Republicans in Congress, up from only about half in early August (52%). The increase is particularly pronounced among Republicans, nearly two in three of whom (64%) are now hearing negative information about Congressional Republicans, up from one in three (34%) in August.

Over the past few days, has what you have seen, read or heard recently about Republicans in Congress been:



In a few words, what **negative** things have you seen, read, or heard recently about **Republicans in Congress**?



“That they are in **complete disarray** over **ousting Speaker McCarthy** and needing to replace him.”

“They can’t even elect a Speaker while **issues are spiraling out of control**.”

“We **can’t pick a Speaker** so they can’t do anything. **Nothing’s getting done**.”

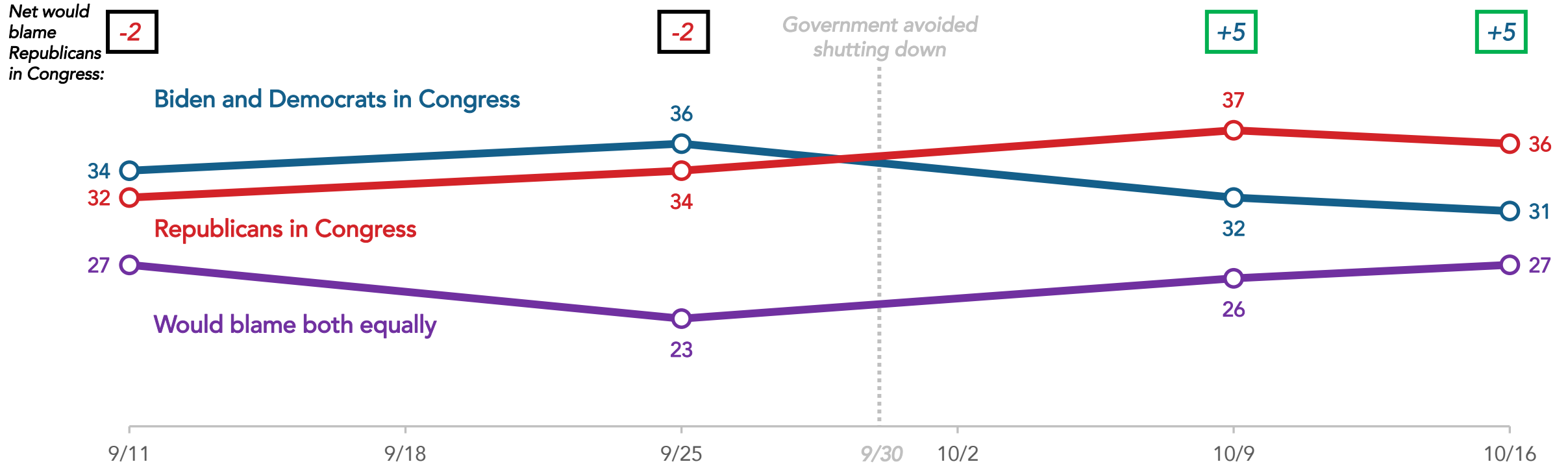
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More Americans Still Would Blame GOP for a Shutdown

Since early September, the share who would blame Republicans in Congress for a shutdown has increased to 36%, while the share who would blame Biden and Democrats in Congress has declined (from a high of 36% in late September to 31% now).

- By a five-point margin, Americans would now blame Republicans more than Biden and Democrats (36% to 31%).

If the government were to shut down this fall, who would you blame most?

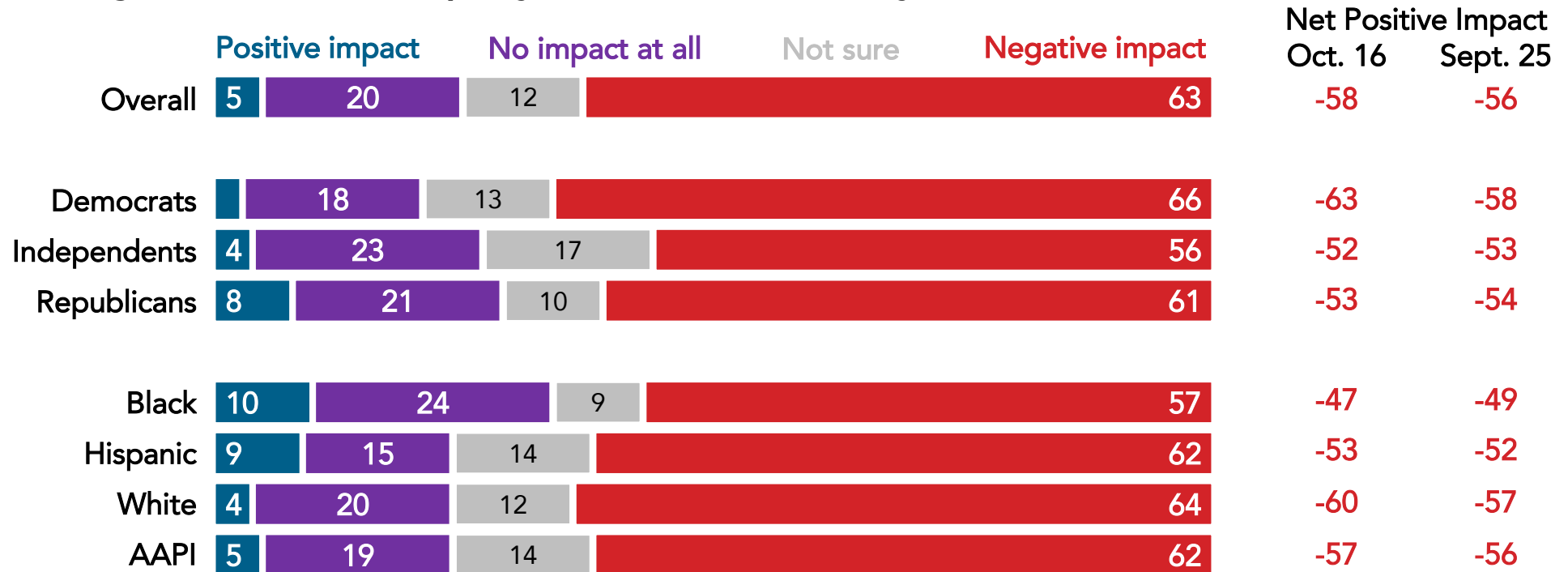


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Three in Five Continue to Recognize Personal Negative Impact of a Potential Government Shutdown

Large majorities of every partisan and racial group say that a government shutdown would have a negative impact on them personally (ranging from 56% of independents to 66% of Democrats).

If Congress does not pass spending bills to fund the government by November 17, it will cause a government shutdown. Which of the following best describes the impact you think this will have on you?*

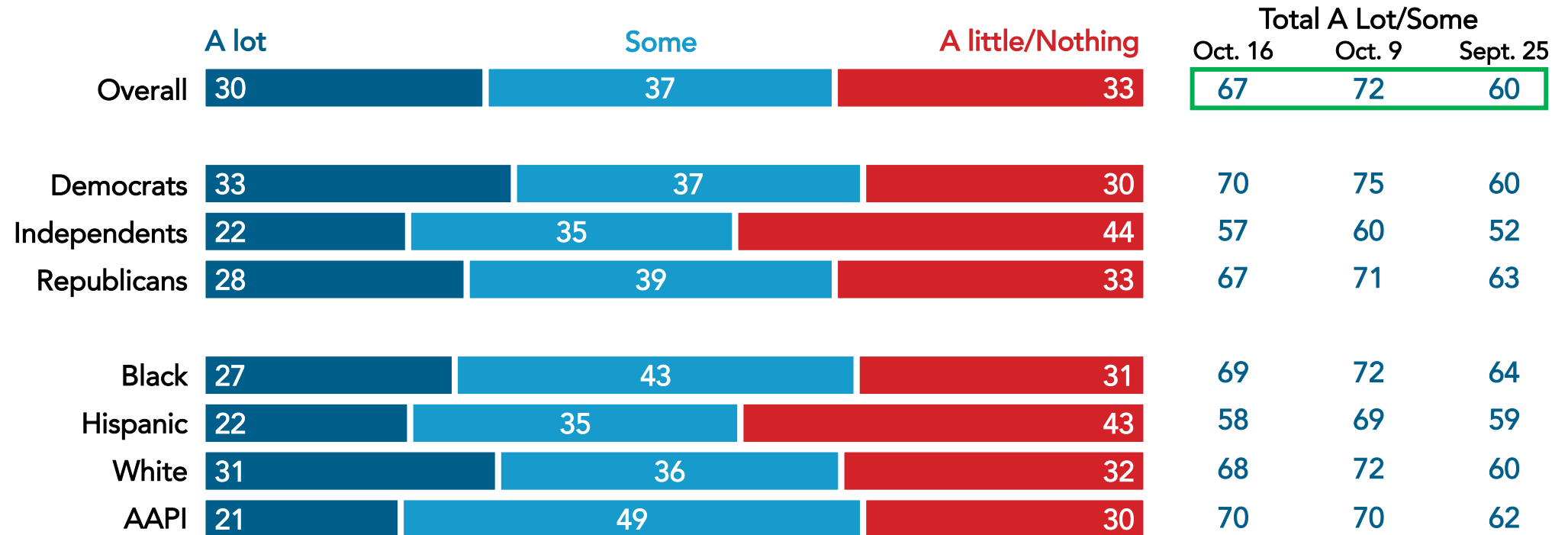


*Previous question text in September read: "If Congress does not pass spending bills to fund the government by September 30, it will cause a government shutdown. Which of the following best describes the impact you think this will have on you?"
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Awareness Around a Potential Government Shutdown Has Eroded Since Crisis Was Narrowly Averted

In September, just 60% of Americans reported hearing “a lot” or “some” about a potential government shutdown; that figure jumped to 72% in early October after the shutdown was averted and has declined back to 67% in this most recent wave.

How much have you seen, read, or heard about a potential government shutdown this fall if Congress cannot pass their annual spending bills?



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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 1,000 registered voters from October 12-October 16, 2023. 99 additional interviews were conducted among Hispanic voters. 74 additional interviews were conducted among Asian American and Pacific Islander voters. 100 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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