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Trump and Republicans:
A Guide for Advocates



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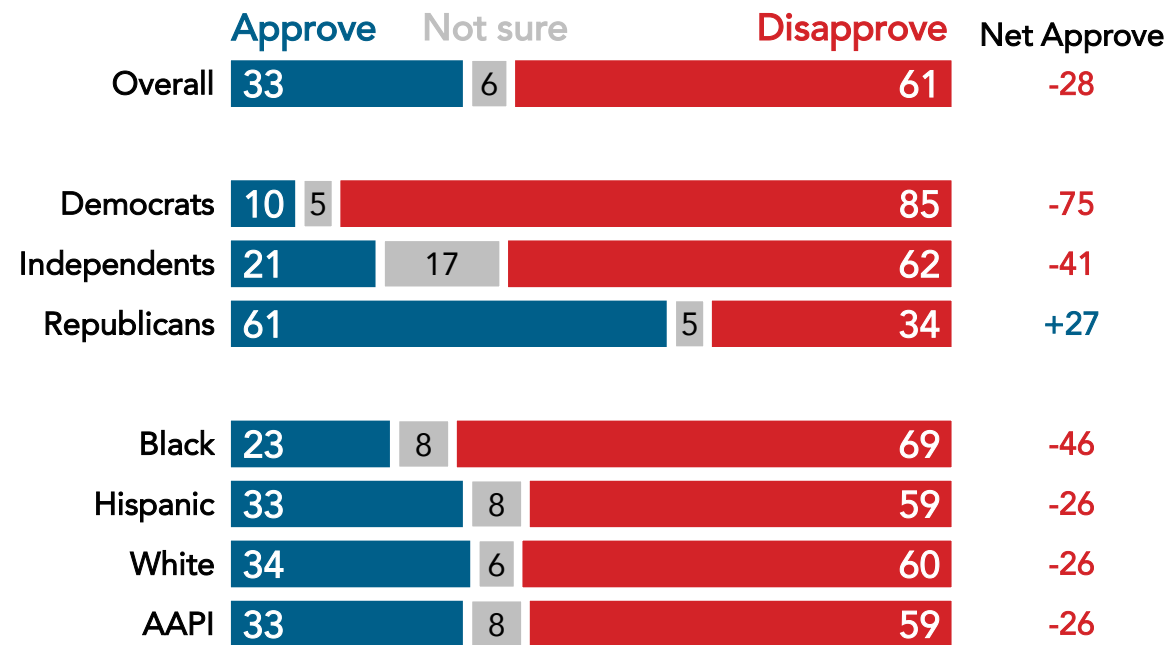
Key Takeaways:

- Three in five Americans disapprove of how Republicans in Congress are handling their jobs; most disapprovers are concerned they are focused on their own agenda rather than the issues that matter to people's lives.
- Of statements former President Trump made in his recent *TIME Magazine* interview and elsewhere, the most concerning were allowing states to monitor women's pregnancies in order to prosecute women who violate abortion bans, his call to terminate the Constitution, and encouraging Russia to do whatever they want to any NATO member country that he thought was not spending enough on defense.
- Fewer than one in four Americans report hearing about "Project 2025," while nearly half oppose the plan once it is explained.

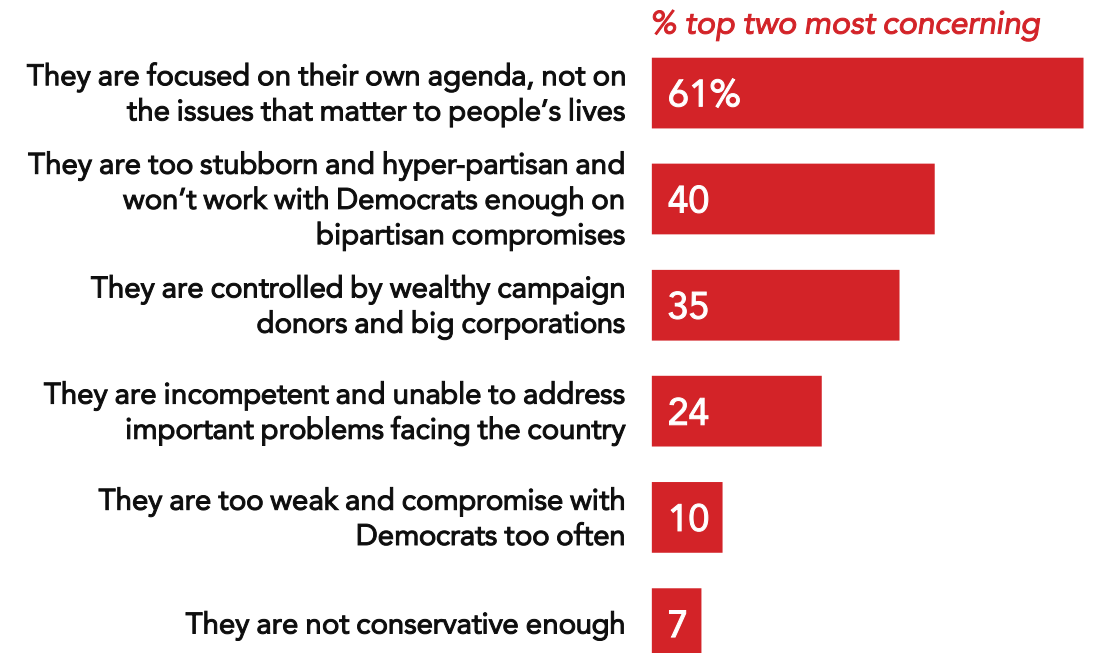
Three in Five Disapprove of Congressional GOP; Top Concern About Their Job Handling Is Their Focus on the Wrong Priorities

Three in five Americans (61%) disapprove of how Republicans in Congress are handling their jobs, as 61% of disapprovers say Republicans' focus on "their own agenda, not on the issues that matter to people's lives" is one of their top two concerns.

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



[If disapprove] Which of the following describes your biggest concerns about Republicans in Congress?



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Most Concerning Trump *TIME* Comments: Monitoring Pregnancies, Terminating Constitution, Letting Russia Invade NATO

Below are some statements made by Donald Trump about what he would do if he was President again, including several statements from a recent interview Trump gave for *TIME Magazine*. Please indicate whether you find each one very concerning, somewhat concerning, not that concerning, or not at all concerning.

Donald Trump...

	Very concerning	Somewhat concerning	Not serious/ Out of context	Not concerning	Total Concerning	Dem	Ind	Rep	
...called for "the termination of all rules, regulations and articles, even those found in the Constitution" so he could be reinstated as President	49		15	17	19	64	89	65	38
...said he would allow states to monitor women's pregnancies in order to prosecute women who violate abortion bans, saying "states are going to make that decision"	49		20	8	23	68	91	68	44
...said he would encourage Russia to "do whatever the hell they want" to any NATO member country that he thought was not spending enough on defense	48		14	18	19	62	87	65	36
...has called those who were convicted of federal offenses for storming the U.S. Capitol on January 6 th , 2021, including for assaulting police officers, "hostages" and "unbelievable patriots" and said he would consider pardoning every one of them	46		17	8	29	63	88	66	37
...said he may fire federal prosecutors if they refuse to carry out his order to prosecute someone	45		19	9	27	64	89	63	38
...said he would "use the military" to round up undocumented immigrants and expel them or detain them in large camps throughout the country	44		15	5	36	59	84	61	31
...refused to say he would accept the results of the 2024 election unless he wins, saying, "If everything's honest, I'll gladly accept the results...If it's not, you have to fight"	42		18	10	31	60	86	62	31
...said he would not hire anyone who admits Joe Biden won in 2020	42		13	14	31	54	81	55	26
...suggested prosecuting Joe Biden "for all of his crimes"	36	13	8		42	49	73	54	23

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Least Surprising From Trump: Not Accepting Election Results, Using the Military for Mass Deportations, January 6th Pardons

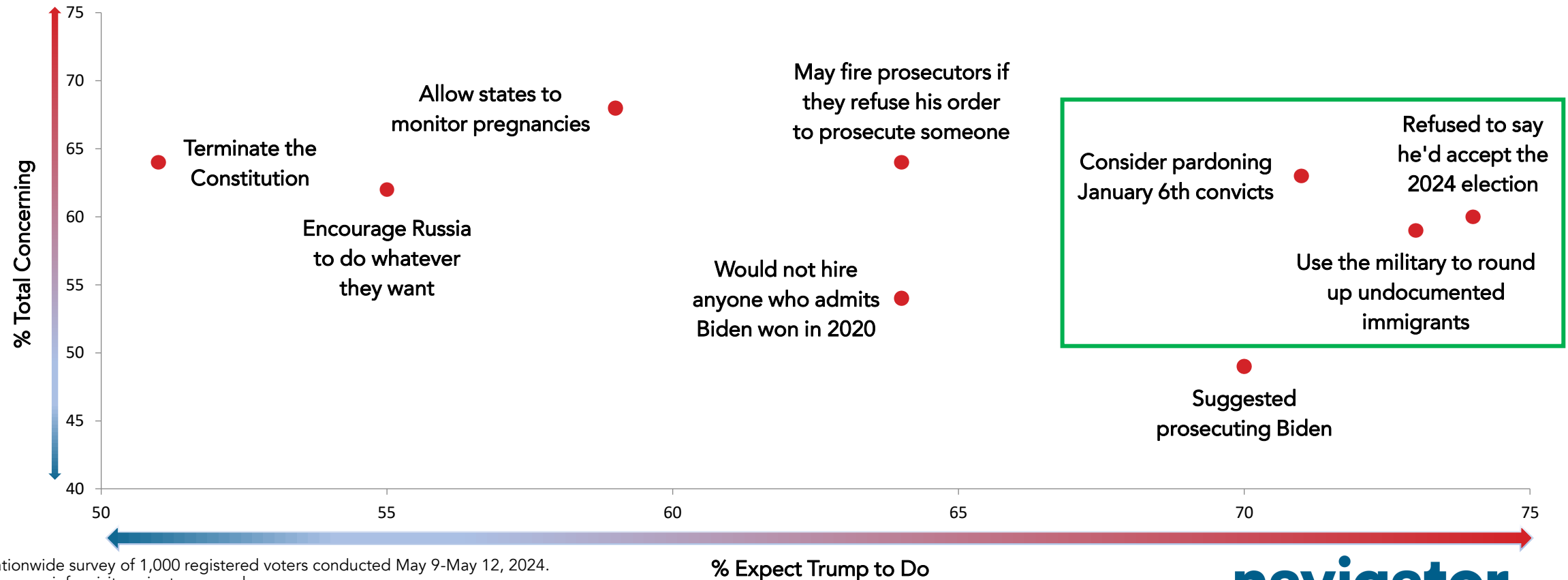
Below are some statements made by Donald Trump about what he would do if he was President again, including several statements from a recent interview Trump gave for *TIME Magazine*. For each one, please indicate which of the following applies for you, personally.

Donald Trump...	Something I'd expect Trump to do	Surprised to see Trump do	Not true/Not something Trump would do	Expect Trump to Do		
				Dem	Ind	Rep
...refused to say he would accept the results of the 2024 election unless he wins, saying, "If everything's honest, I'll gladly accept the results...If it's not, you have to fight"	74	12	13	82	64	69
...said he would "use the military" to round up undocumented immigrants and expel them or detain them in large camps throughout the country	73	15	12	84	63	65
...has called those who were convicted of federal offenses for storming the U.S. Capitol on January 6 th , 2021, including for assaulting police officers, "hostages" and "unbelievable patriots" and said he would consider pardoning every one of them	71	16	12	82	65	62
...suggested prosecuting Joe Biden "for all of his crimes"	70	16	14	79	62	63
...said he may fire federal prosecutors if they refuse to carry out his order to prosecute someone	64	20	16	81	55	50
...said he would not hire anyone who admits Joe Biden won in 2020	64	15	22	80	57	48
...said he would allow states to monitor women's pregnancies in order to prosecute women who violate abortion bans, saying "states are going to make that decision"	59	16	25	80	55	38
...said he would encourage Russia to "do whatever the hell they want" to any NATO member country that he thought was not spending enough on defense	55	17	28	78	54	32
...called for "the termination of all rules, regulations and articles, even those found in the Constitution" so he could be reinstated as President	51	15	34	75	48	27

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Most Concerning & Expected Statements from Trump: Rejecting Election Results, Rounding Up Immigrants, January 6th Pardons

Several of the most concerning Trump statements are among those Americans least expect Trump to do, including his call for “the termination of...the Constitution” (64% concerning, 51% expect Trump to do), saying he would allow states to monitor pregnancies (68% and 59%), and saying he would “encourage Russia to ‘do whatever the hell they want’” to NATO countries (62% and 55%).

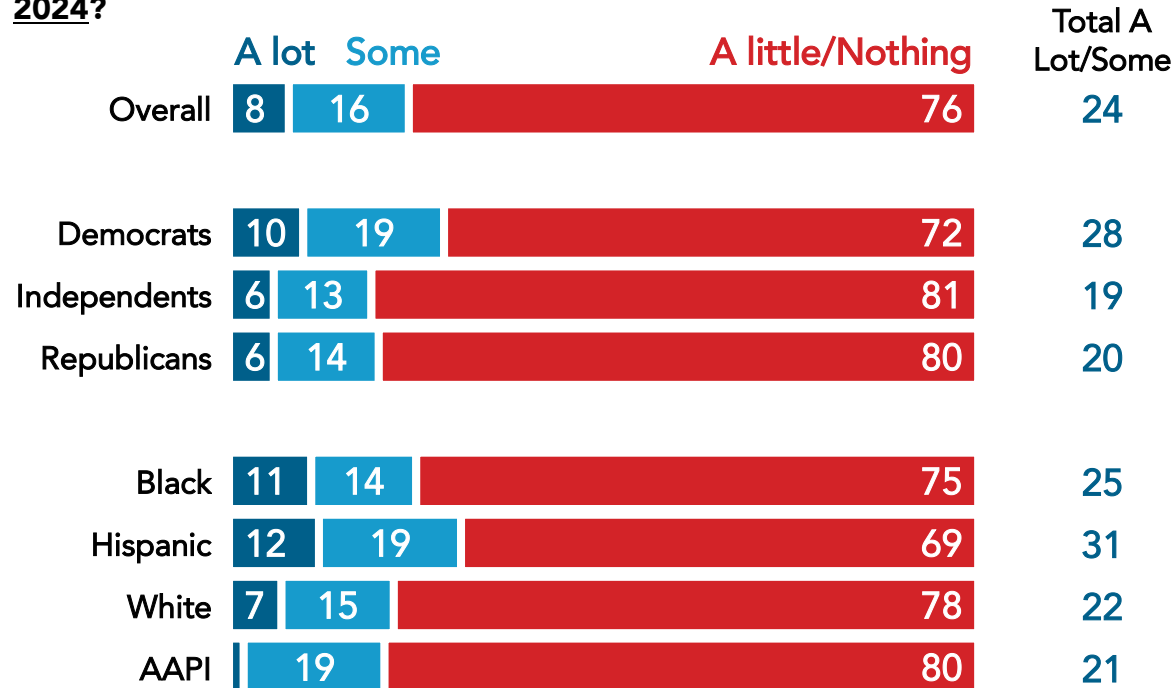


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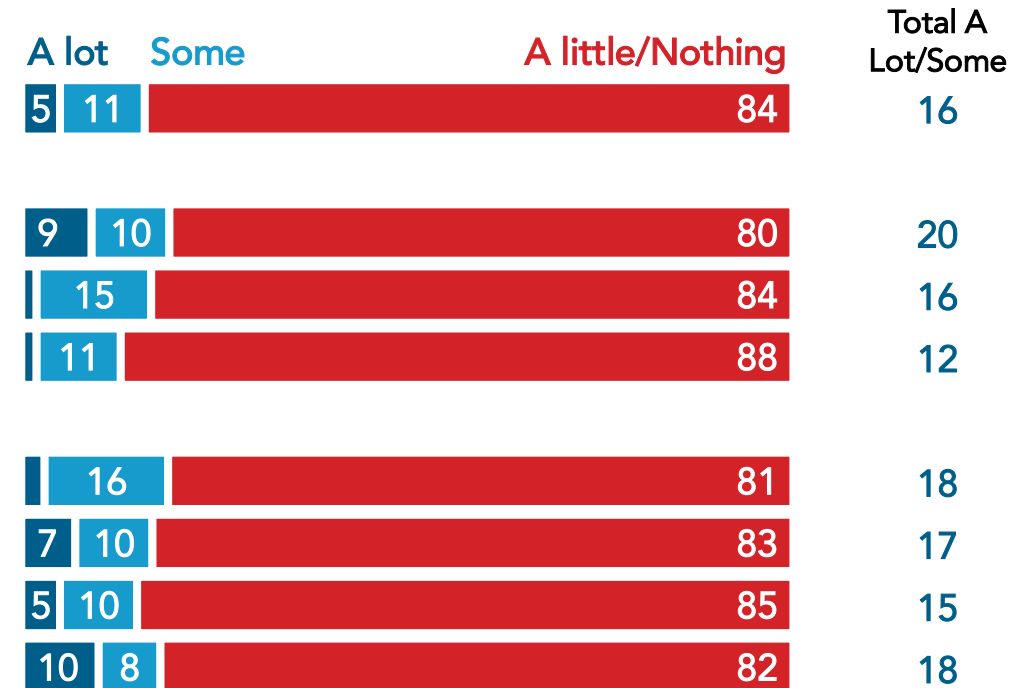
Very Few Americans Are Hearing About Project 2025

Democrats are slightly more likely to report hearing about Project 2025 (28% hearing “a lot” or “some” about the program with a description, 20% without a description), though fewer than one in three Americans across party lines report hearing about it.

(Split sample) How much have you seen, read, or heard about “Project 2025,” a series of conservative policy proposals aimed at reshaping the executive branch of the federal government if a Republican is elected president in 2024?



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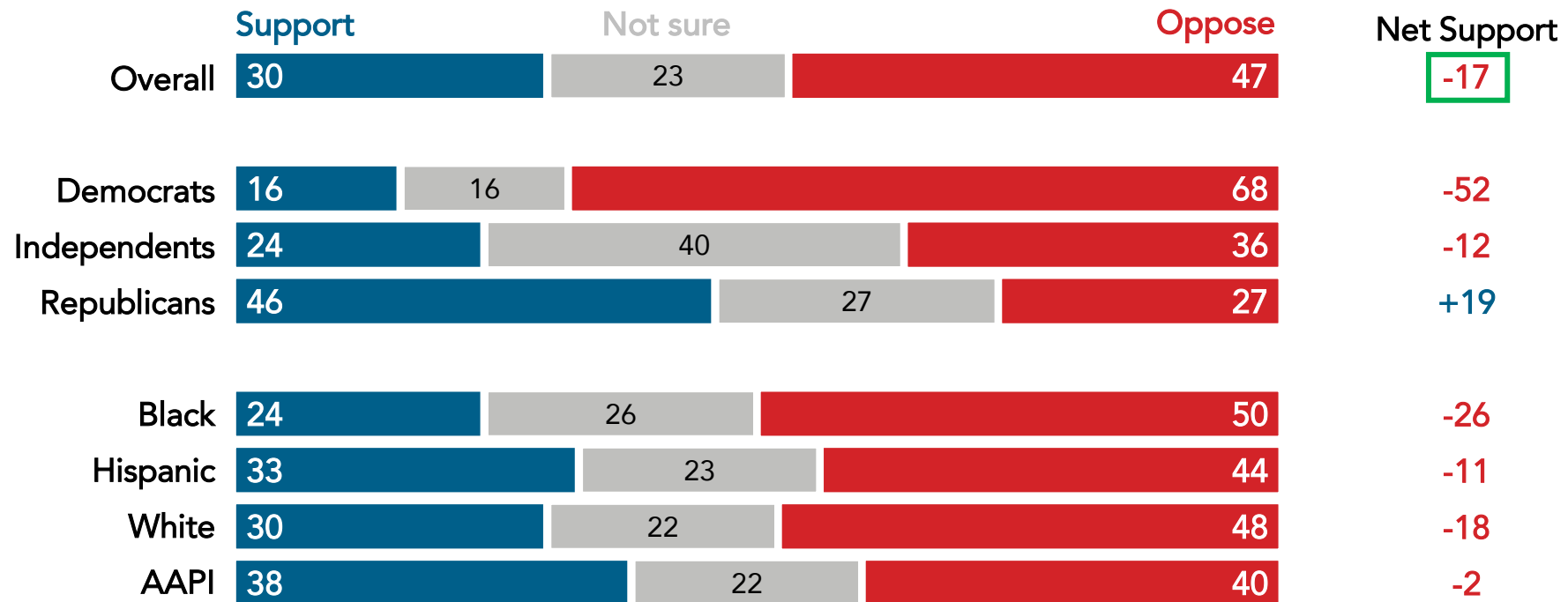


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Nearly Half of Americans Oppose Project 2025 When Given Some Details About It

Majorities or pluralities of Democrats (68% oppose) and independents (36%) oppose Project 2025 once the plans are explained.

“Project 2025” suggests policy changes to reshape the executive branch of the federal government if a Republican is elected president. The plans, drafted by conservative organizations, call for giving the president new powers over federal agencies and rolling back policies related to abortion access, action on climate change, LGBTQ+ rights, and other areas. Based on what you know, do you support or oppose Project 2025?

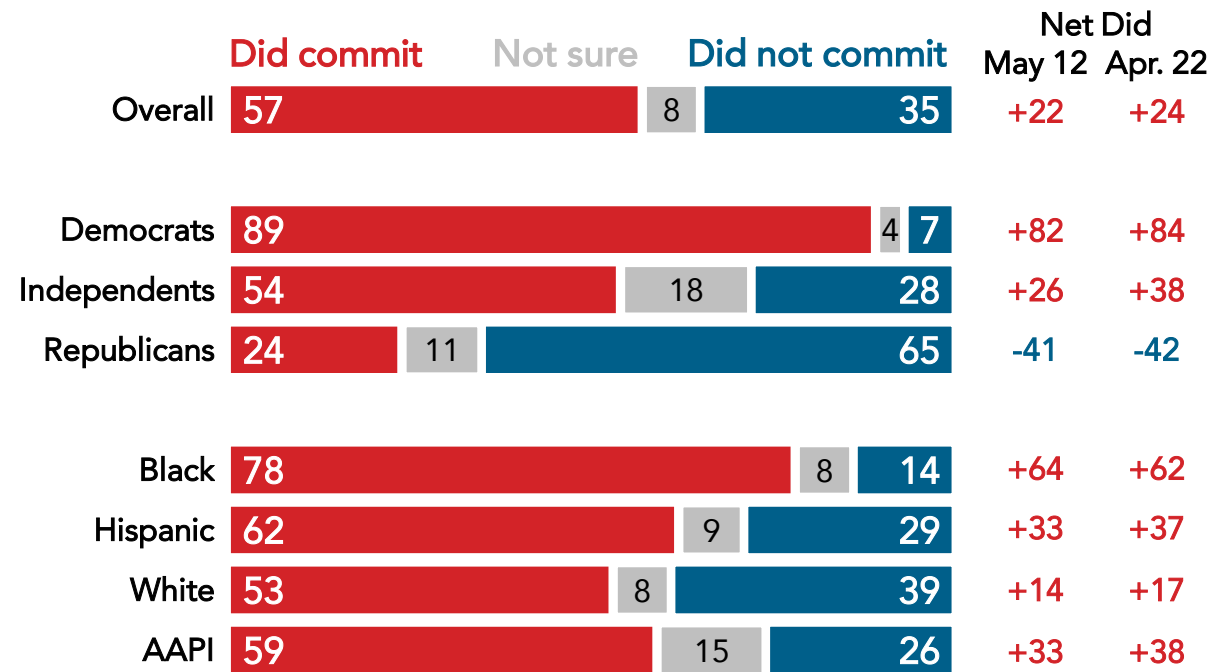


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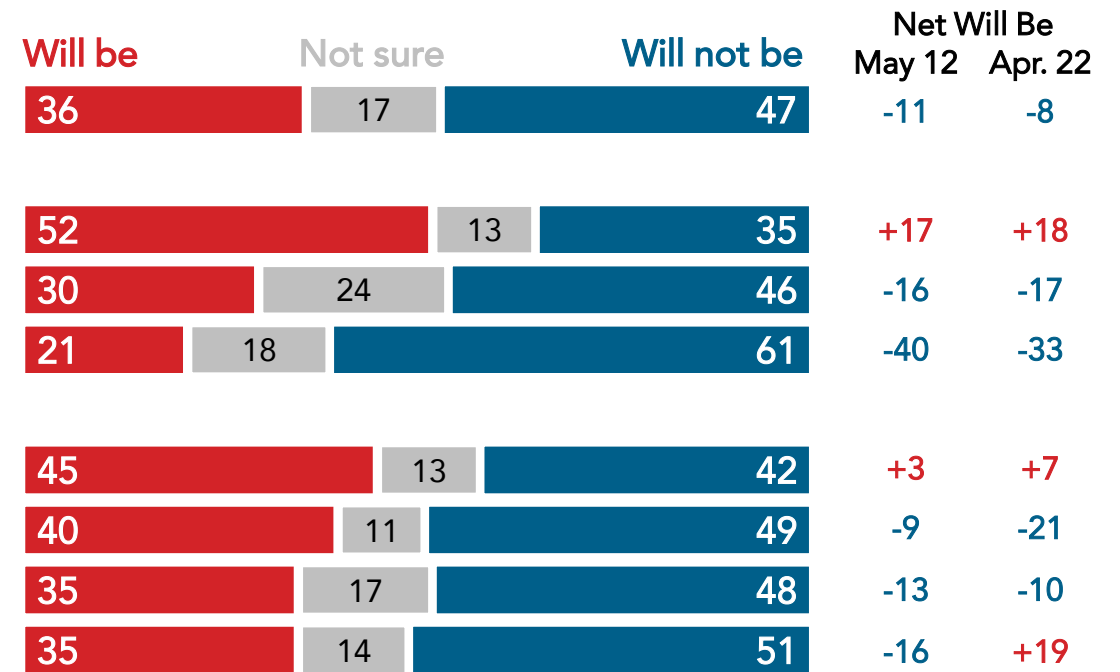
Majorities Continue to Say Trump Committed a Crime But Almost Half Say He Won't Be Convicted

Although a majority of independents say Trump committed a crime as president (54% did commit), a plurality (46%) say he will not be convicted of any of the crimes of which he is accused.

Do you think Donald Trump committed a crime at any point as president?



Do you think Donald Trump will be convicted of any of the crimes of which he is accused?



Nationwide surveys of registered voters; Each wave represents approximately 1,000 interviews taken over the prior three-five days. Latest wave conducted May 9-May 12, 2024. For more info, visit navigatorresearch.org.

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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 a public opinion survey among a sample of 1,000 registered voters from May 9-May 12, 2024. 100 additional interviews were conducted among Hispanic voters. 72 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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