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The Conflict With Iran



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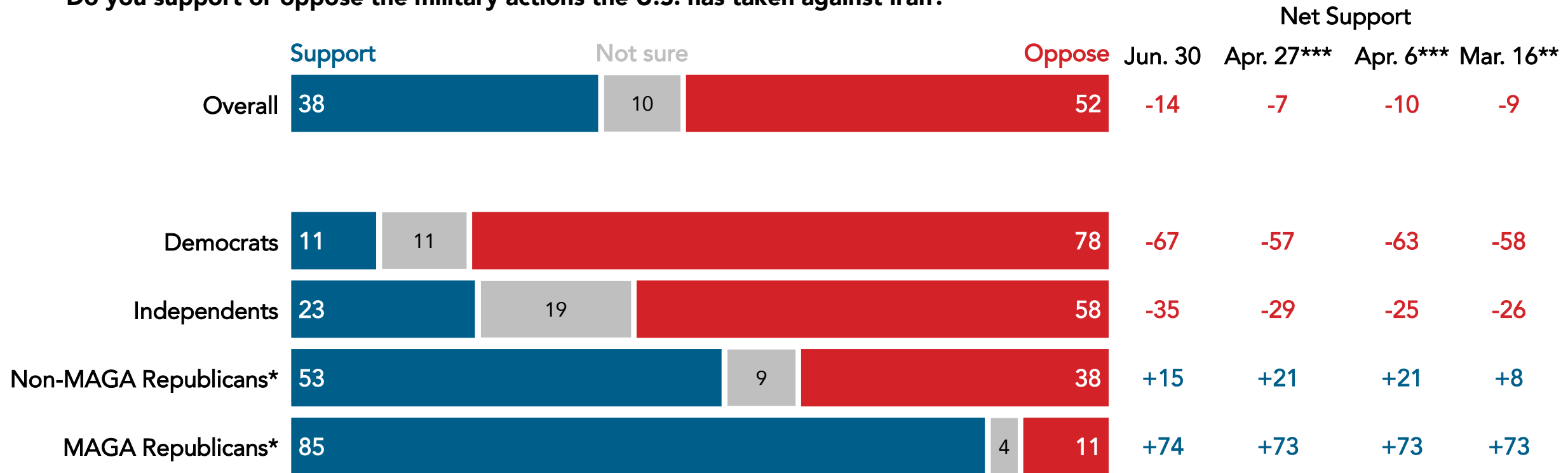
Key Takeaways:

- Most Americans oppose U.S. military action against Iran, and since the interim deal between the U.S. and Iran was reached, growing shares say the conflict has not been worth it.
- As a result, Trump's approval ratings across issues continue to sour, with his worst ratings coming on the economy and his handling of gas prices. His approval on foreign policy has declined precipitously since the beginning of his second term.
- The strongest critiques continue to frame the war as expensive, unnecessary, and dangerous, while highlighting concerns that Trump's deal may not hold.
- But Democrats have not yet filled the vacuum, with most independents saying they trust neither party – or are unsure whom to trust – on the conflict with Iran and related issues.

A Majority of Americans Oppose the Military Actions the U.S. Has Taken Against Iran

Since the conflict began in March, Americans have become increasingly more opposed to American military actions against Iran (from net -9 in March to net -14 now), including among independents (from net -26 then to net -35 now).

Do you support or oppose the military actions the U.S. has taken against Iran?



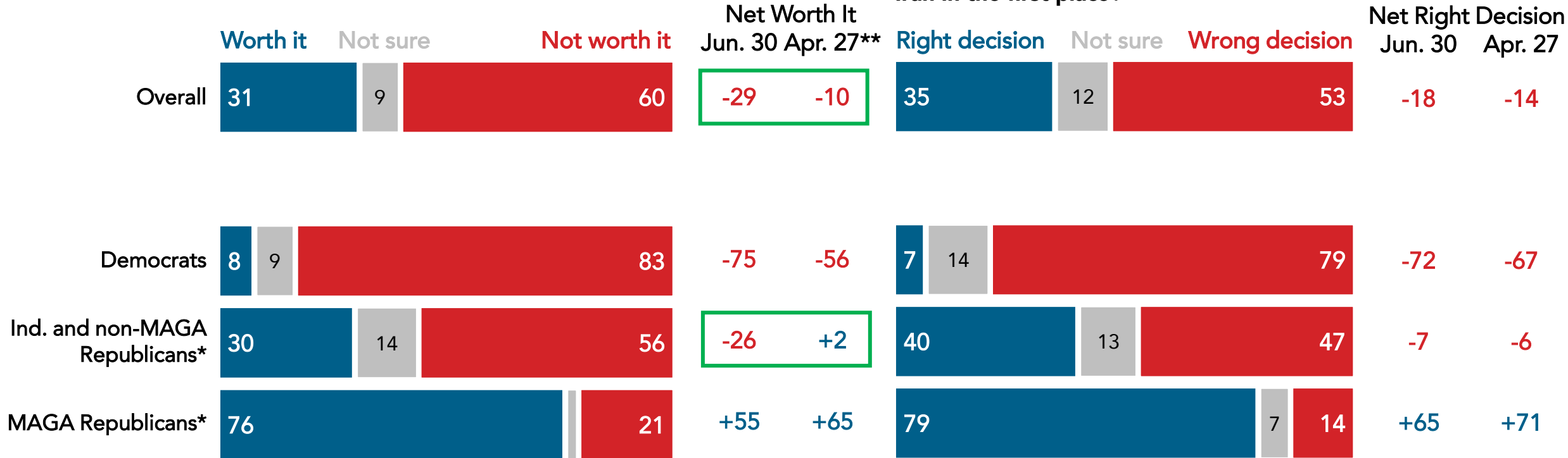
*"MAGA Republicans" are Republicans who identify as "a supporter of the MAGA movement" on a separate question, while "non-MAGA Republicans" are Republicans who do not consider themselves supporters of the MAGA movement or are not sure. **Previous question text read: "Do you support or oppose the U.S. conducting a military operation against Iran?" ***Previous question text read: "Do you support or oppose the U.S. taking military action against Iran?" Nationwide surveys of registered voters; Each wave represents approximately 1,000 interviews taken over the prior three-five days. Latest wave conducted June 25-June 30, 2026. For more info, visit navigatorresearch.org.

Growing Shares Say the Conflict Has Not Been Worth It, Following Trump's Interim Deal With Iran

Since an interim deal has been reached between the U.S. and Iran, more Americans now say the military operation in Iran has not been worth it (from net -10 worth it in April to net -29 now).

(Split Sample) Do you think the U.S. military operation against Iran has been worth it or has it not been worth it?

(Split Sample) Do you think the U.S. made the right decision or the wrong decision in initiating the military operation against Iran in the first place?

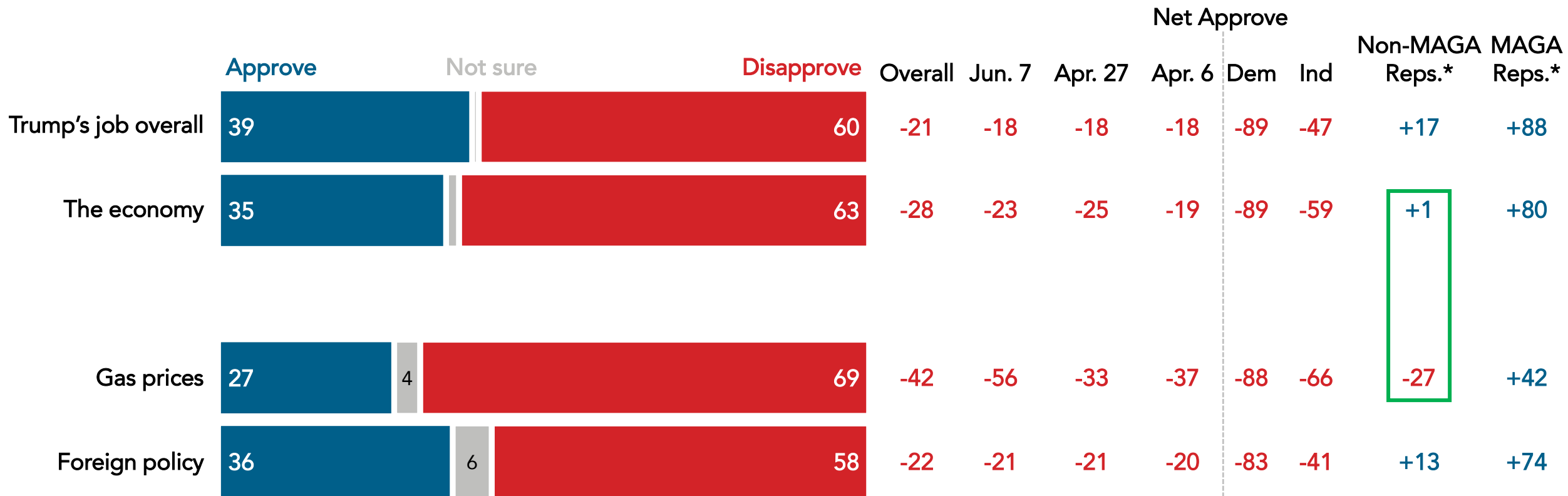


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Trump's Approval Ratings Across Issues – from Foreign Policy to the Economy – Are in the Negative By 20 Points or More

With non-MAGA Republicans*, Trump barely breaks even on the economy (net +1 approve) and is deeply negative on gas prices (net -27).

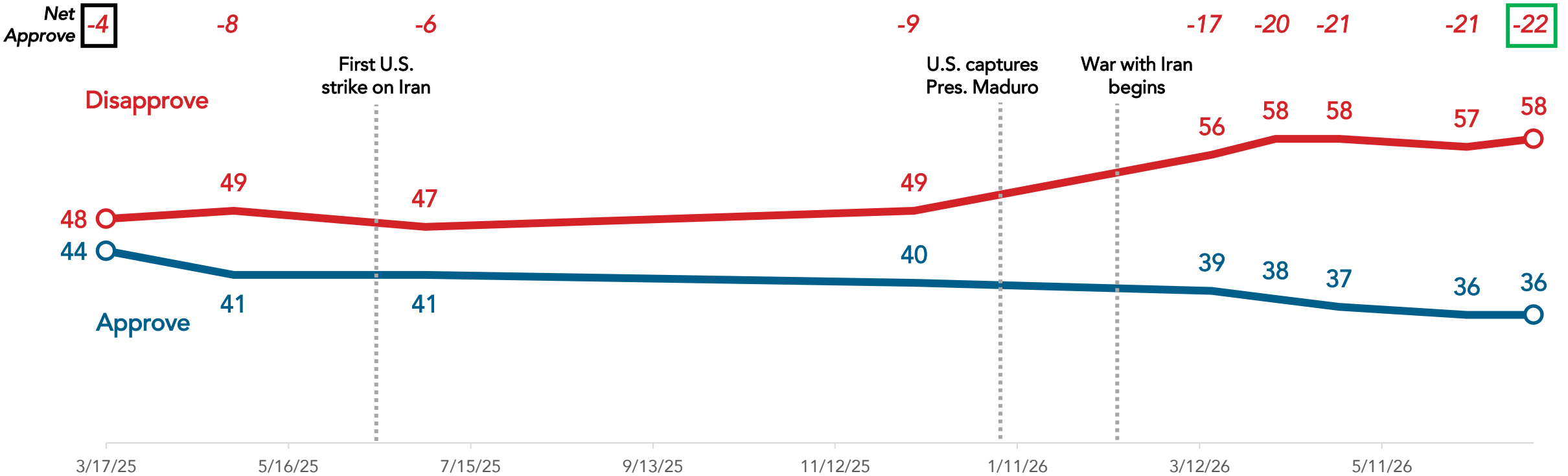
Below is a list of issues. Please indicate whether you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling each one.



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Since the Beginning of Trump's Second Term, His Rating on Foreign Policy Has Declined By Double Digits

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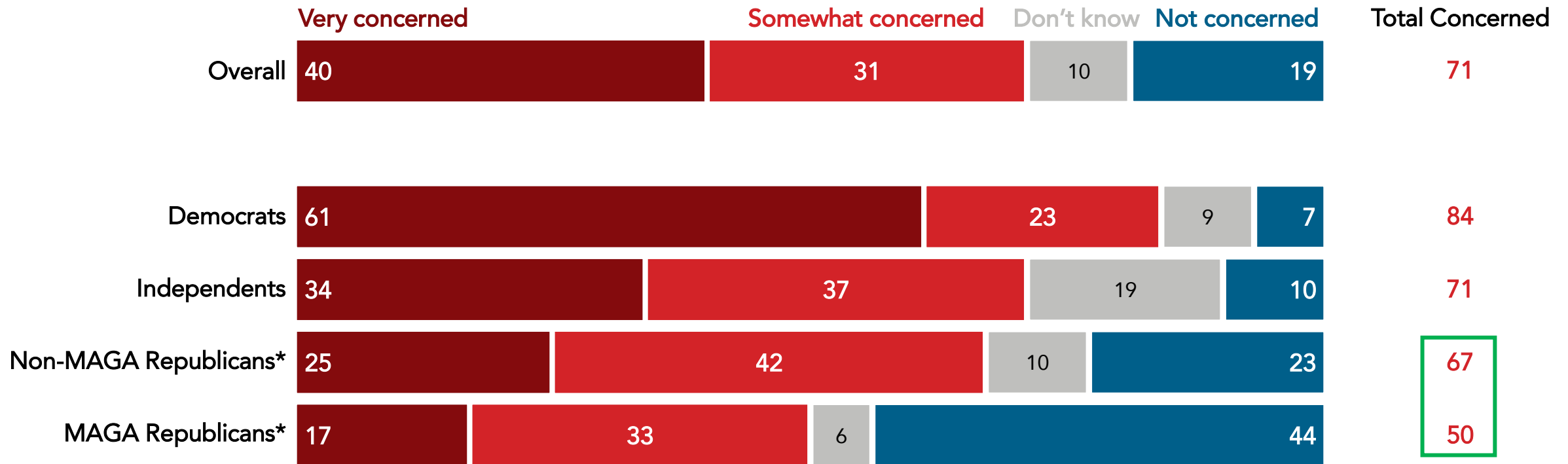


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Americans Are Deeply Concerned the Negotiations Between the U.S. and Iran Will Fail, Including Half of MAGA Republicans

Seven in ten Americans say they are concerned (71% concerned), including half of MAGA Republicans* (50%) and two in three non-MAGA Republicans* (67%).

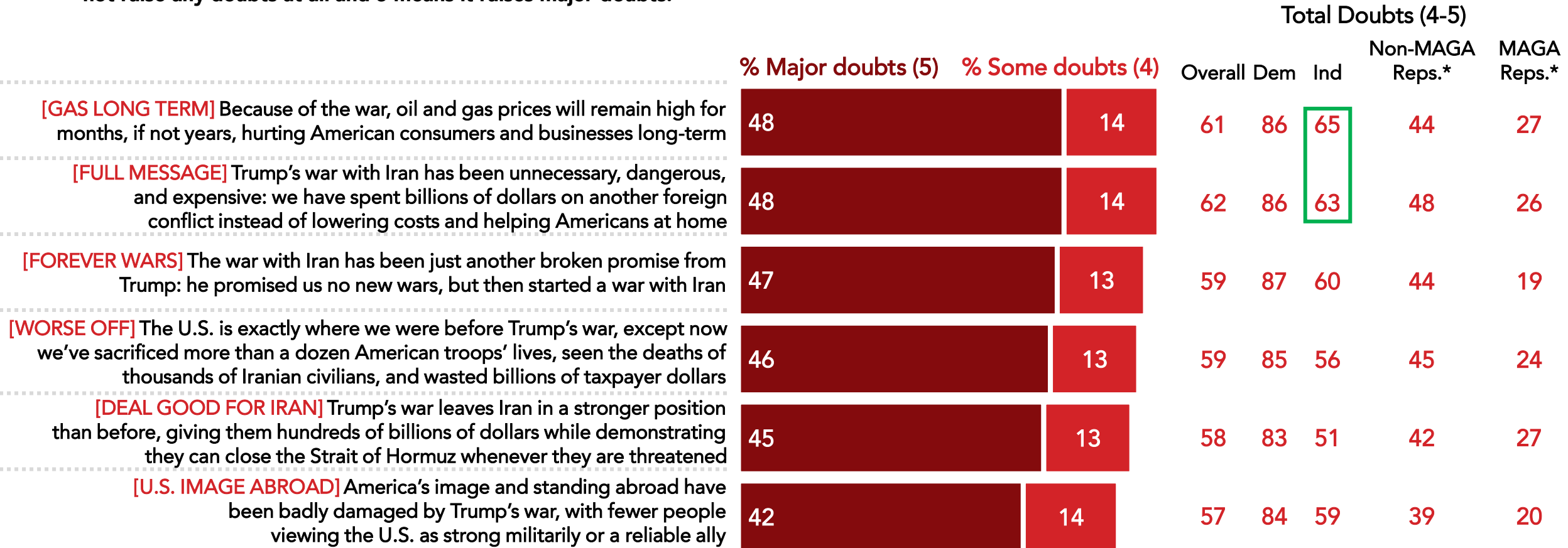
How concerned are you that negotiations between the Trump administration and Iran will fail and the war will resume?



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As in the Beginning of the War with Iran, Messaging Emphasizing Cost, Unnecessary Nature Most Effective

Please indicate whether each one raises doubts for you about how Trump has handled the conflict with Iran on a scale of 1 to 5, where 1 means it does not raise any doubts at all and 5 means it raises major doubts.

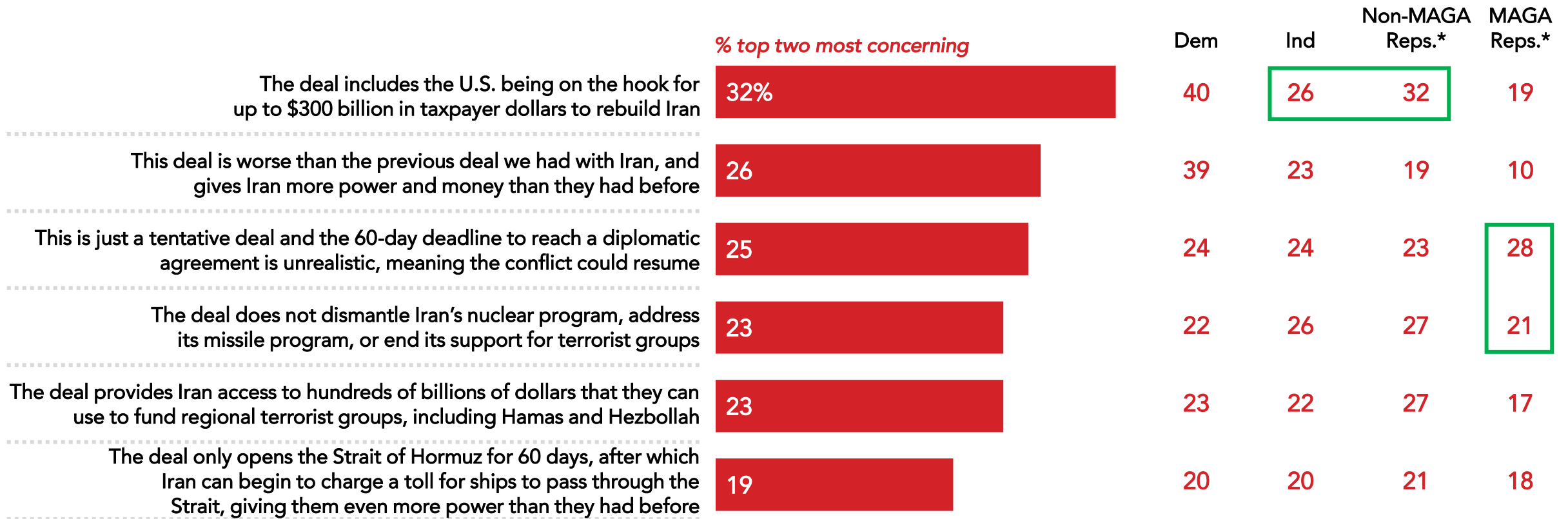


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The \$300 Billion Price Tag from the Interim Deal With Iran Is Most Troubling for Americans

For non-MAGA Republicans*, the interim deal including the U.S. being on the hook for up to \$300 billion is most concerning (32%).

And when it comes to the tentative deal between the U.S. and Iran, which of the following concern you the most?

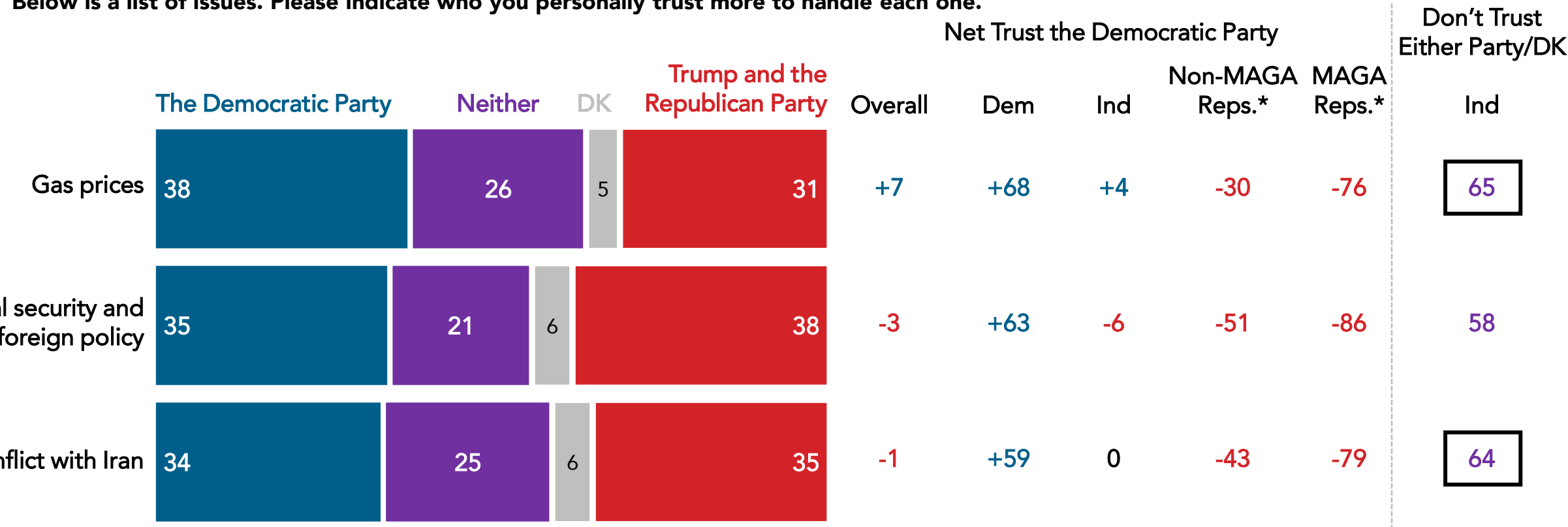


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Americans Are Divided on Who to Trust – if Anyone – on a Range of Issues Related to Iran

Two in three independents don't trust either party, or don't know who to trust, when it comes to gas prices (65% neither/don't know) and the conflict with Iran (64%).

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

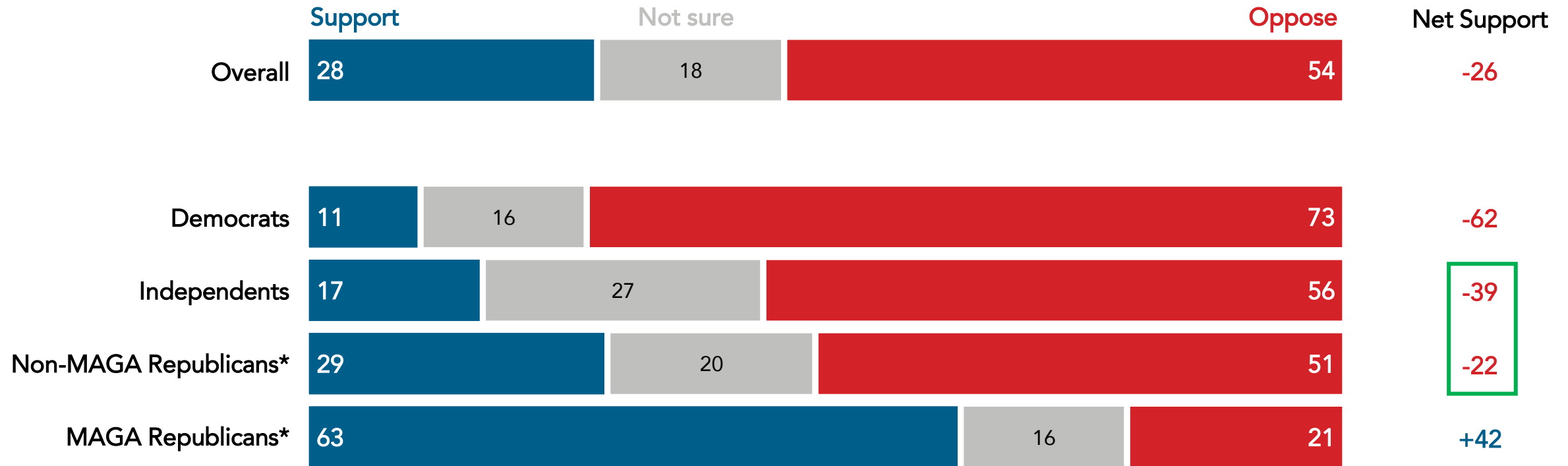


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Americans Do Not Want to See a Military Intervention in Cuba

A majority of Americans oppose the U.S. intervening in Cuba (54% oppose), including independents (56%) and non-MAGA Republicans* (51%).

Do you support or oppose a U.S. military intervention in Cuba to try to force a change to their leadership?



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About the Study

Global Strategy Group conducted a public opinion survey among a sample of 1,000 registered voters from June 25-June 30, 2026. 100 additional interviews were conducted among Hispanic voters. 100 additional interviews were conducted among African American voters. 75 additional interviews were conducted among Asian American and Pacific Islander 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. The margin of error for the full sample at the 95 percent level of confidence is +/- 3.1 percentage points. The margin of error for subgroups varies and is higher.

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