

What America Is Thinking On Energy Issues

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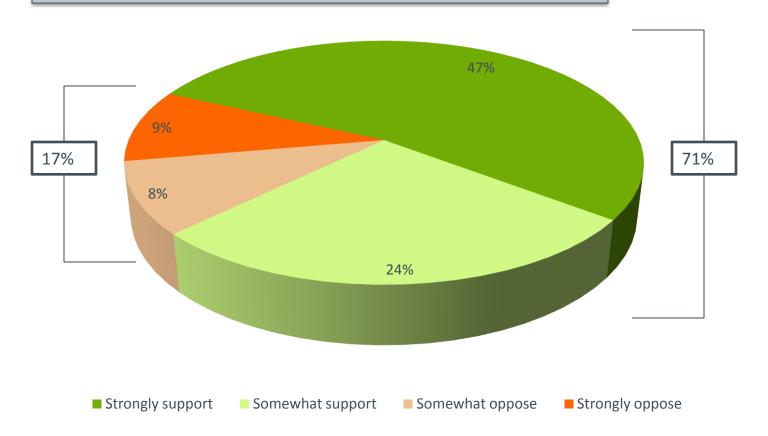
Methodology

- **Background/Objectives:** Evaluate opinion among registered voters regarding thoughts on increased access to oil and natural gas resources.
- **Audience:** 1,016 registered voters
- **Methodology:** Telephone interviews
- Interview Dates: August 9th 12th 2012



Voters voice strong support for increased access to domestic oil and natural gas resources.

Do you support or oppose increased access to domestic oil and natural gas resources?



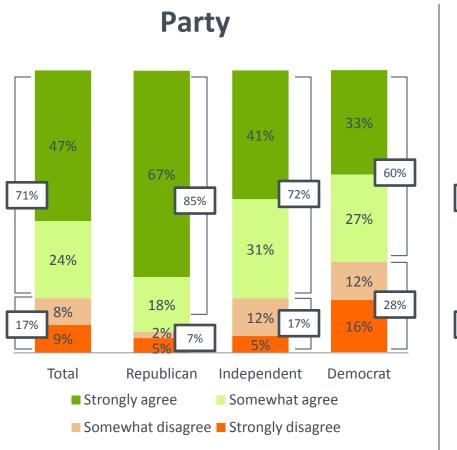
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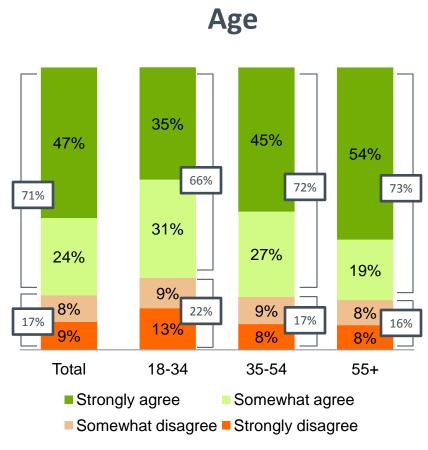
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Increased access to ONG resources by Party and Age

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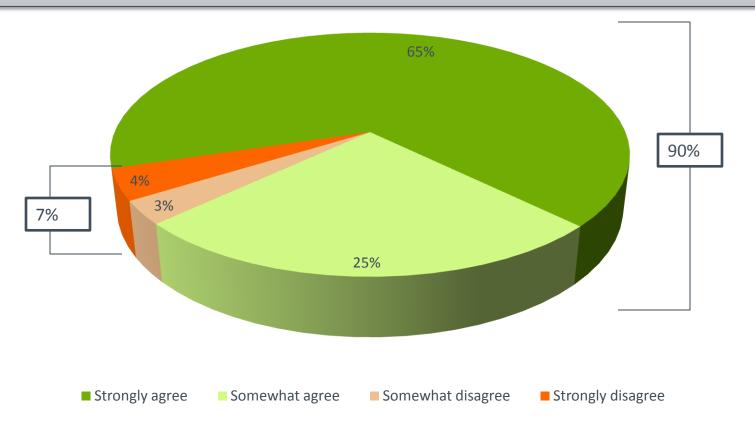
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Q2 Do you support or oppose increased access to domestic oil and natural gas resources?



Voters agree that increased access to domestic resources could lead to more American jobs.

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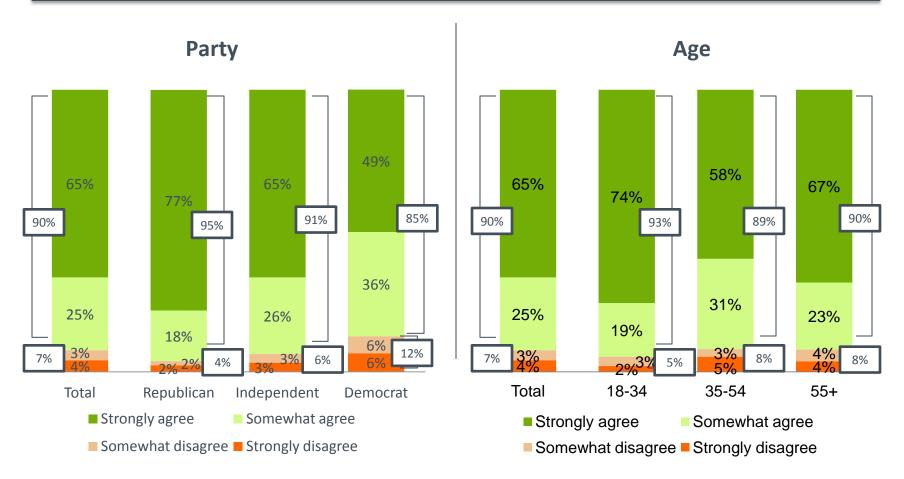
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Q3 Please indicate your level of agreement with the following:



Statement Agreement by Party and Age

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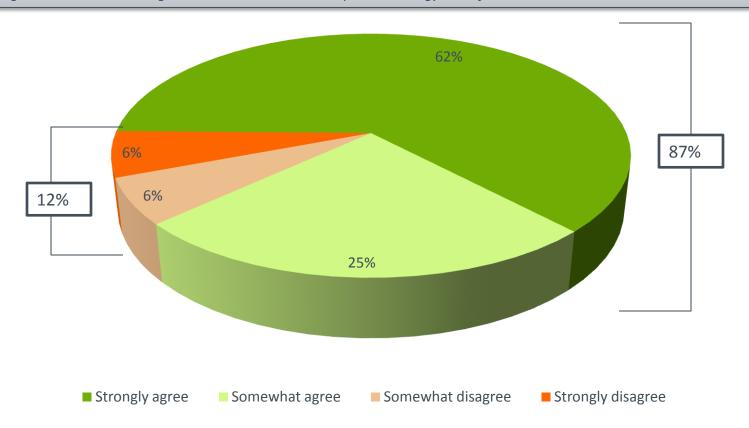
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Q3 Please indicate your level of agreement with the following:

Agreement is high that accessing more domestic oil and natural gas could help lower energy costs for consumers.

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Accessing more oil and natural gas here in the U.S. could help lower energy costs for American consumers.



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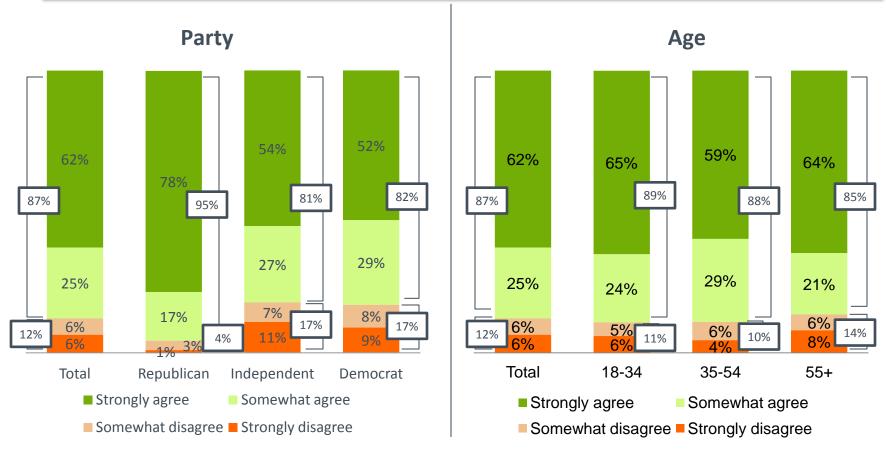
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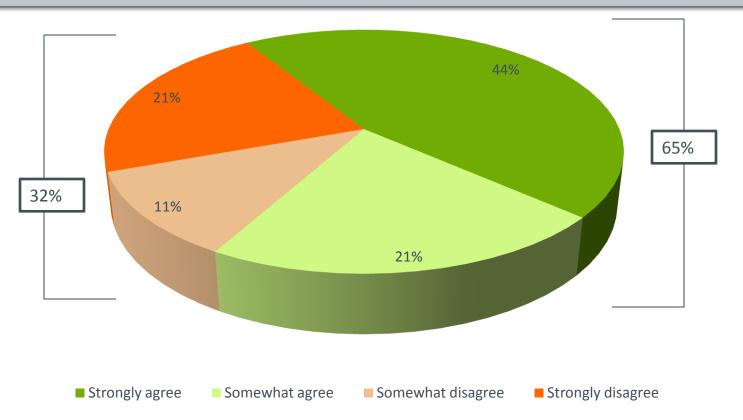
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Q3 Please indicate your level of agreement with the following:

Voters agree that increases in energy taxes could drive up energy costs.

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Increasing energy taxes, like taxes on oil and natural gas companies, hurts everyone because those tax increases could drive up energy costs for consumers.



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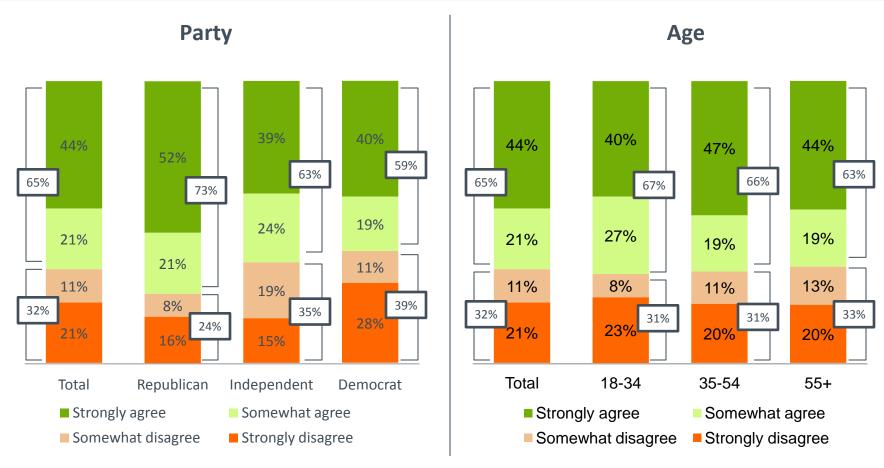
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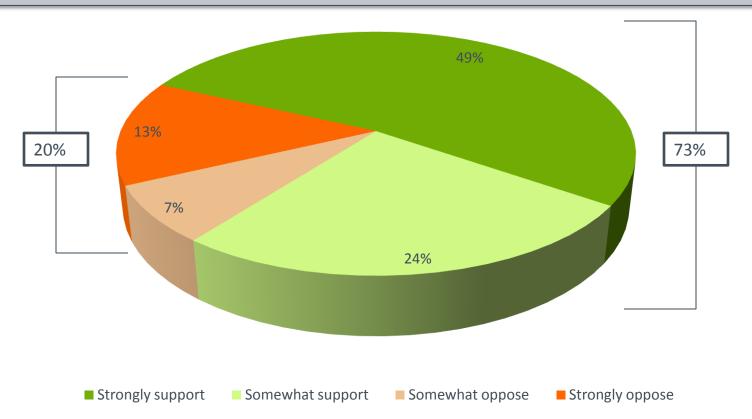
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Voters support changing policies to allow more offshore development.

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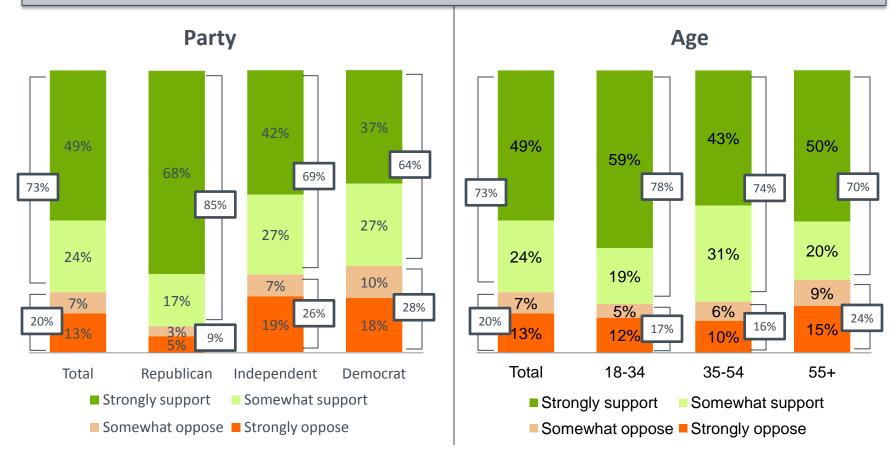
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Increased Offshore Drilling Support by Party and Age

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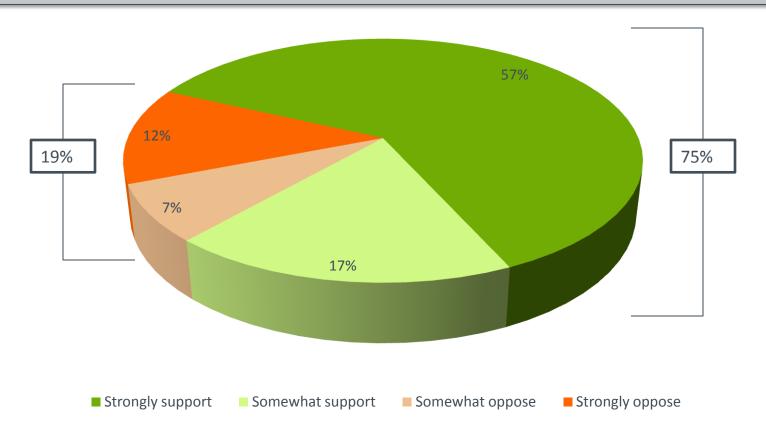
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Support for development of the Keystone XL Pipeline is high.

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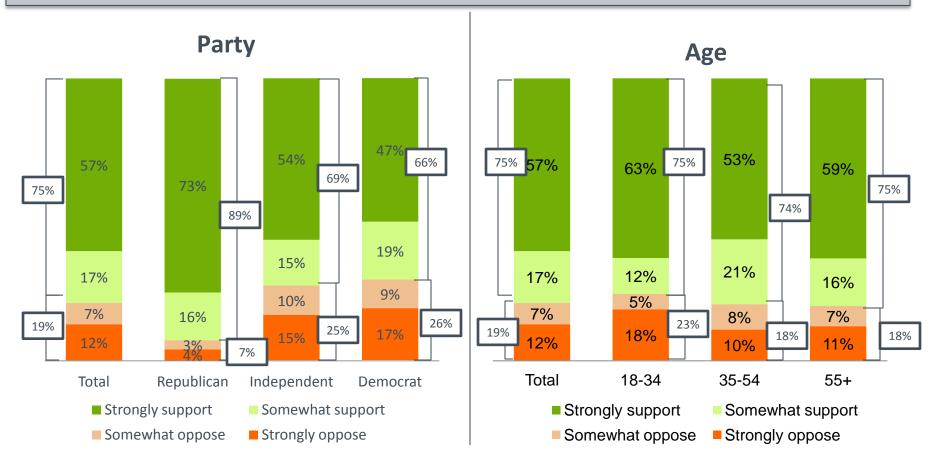
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Keystone XL Pipeline Support by Party and Age

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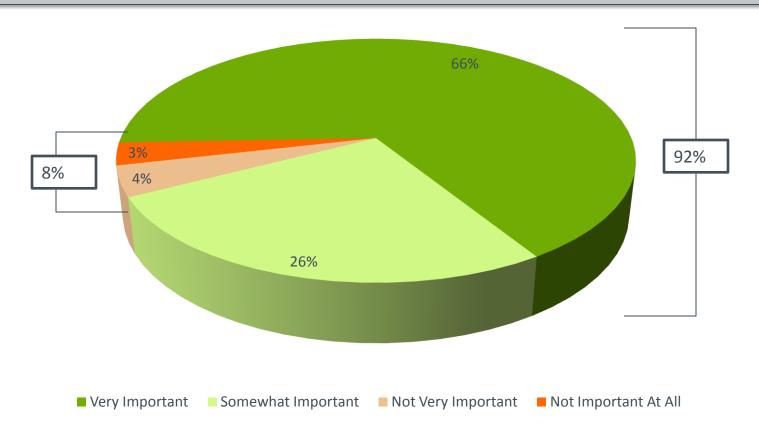
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Q5 Do you support or oppose the building of the Keystone XL pipeline?

Energy issues loom large for voters when thinking about the election.

As you look ahead to the election in November, how important to you is the issue of America's energy security and producing more oil and natural gas here at home?



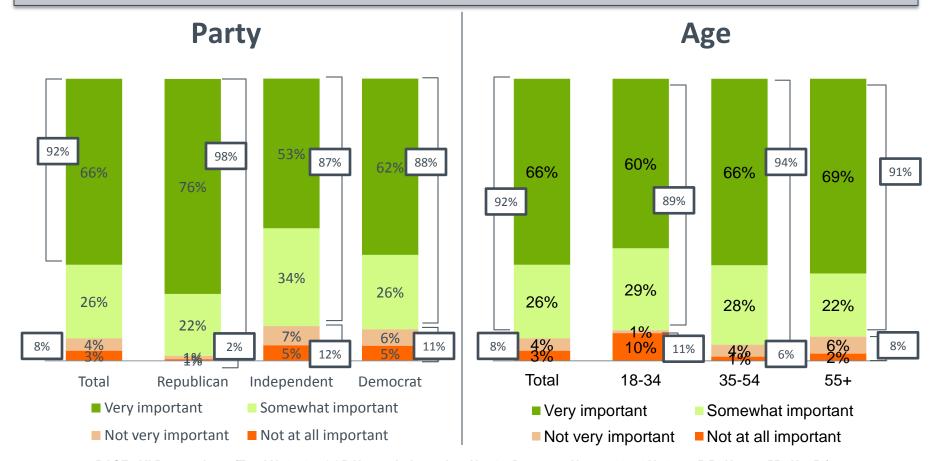
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ONG Importance to Election by Party and Age

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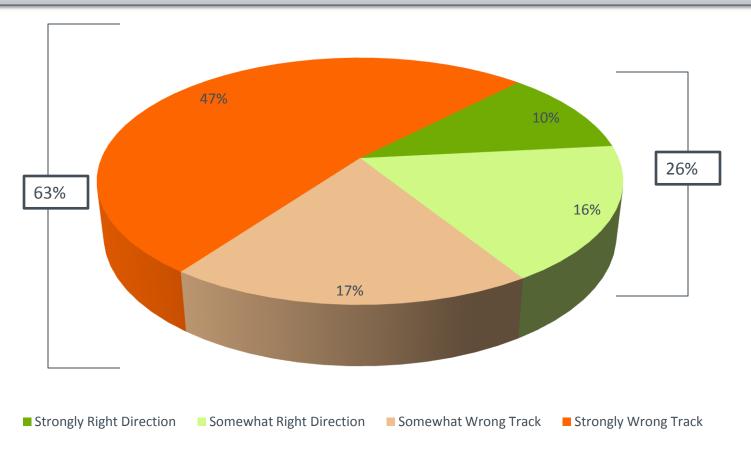
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Voters feel that Washington is on the wrong track regarding US energy policy.

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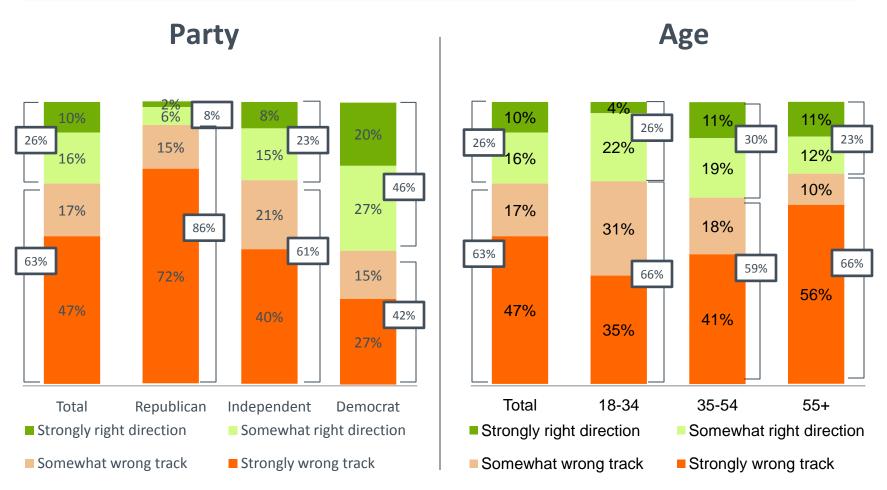
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Washington Energy Policy by Party and Age

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Demographic Profile



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Gender	Male	47%
	Female	53%
Age	18-24	6%
	25-34	12%
	35-49	28%
	50-64	29%
	65+	23%
Education	High school graduate or less	37%
	Some college/Assoc	31%
	College graduate	21%
	Post graduate	11%
Income	Under \$25,000	16%
	\$25,000 - \$49,999	20%
	\$50,000 - \$74,999	16%
	\$75,000+	32%

Party	Republican	33%
	Strong Republican	24%
	Not so strong Republican	9%
	Democrat	32%
	Strong Democrat	20%
	Not so strong Democrat	11%
	Independent	24%
	Lean Republican	9%
	Lean Democrat	8%
	Do not lean either way	6%
Ideology	Conservative (NET)	58%
	Liberal (NET)	32%
	Neither	6%
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