

FLORIDA VOTERS' VIEWS

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Summary of Key Findings

- 1 Florida voters recognize they rely on the natural gas and oil industry in terms of transportation.
- 2 The coronavirus has had a huge impact on Florida's economy, and a majority say the natural gas and oil industry will play an important role in the economic recovery.
- 3 Voters across the board say energy independence, access to domestic energy sources, and jobs are very important to them in the current political and international environment. A majority of voters say the industry has a mostly positive effect on national security.
- 4 Nearly two-thirds of Florida voters, including a majority of Democrats, would be more likely to vote for a candidate who supports access to oil and gas produced in the U.S.

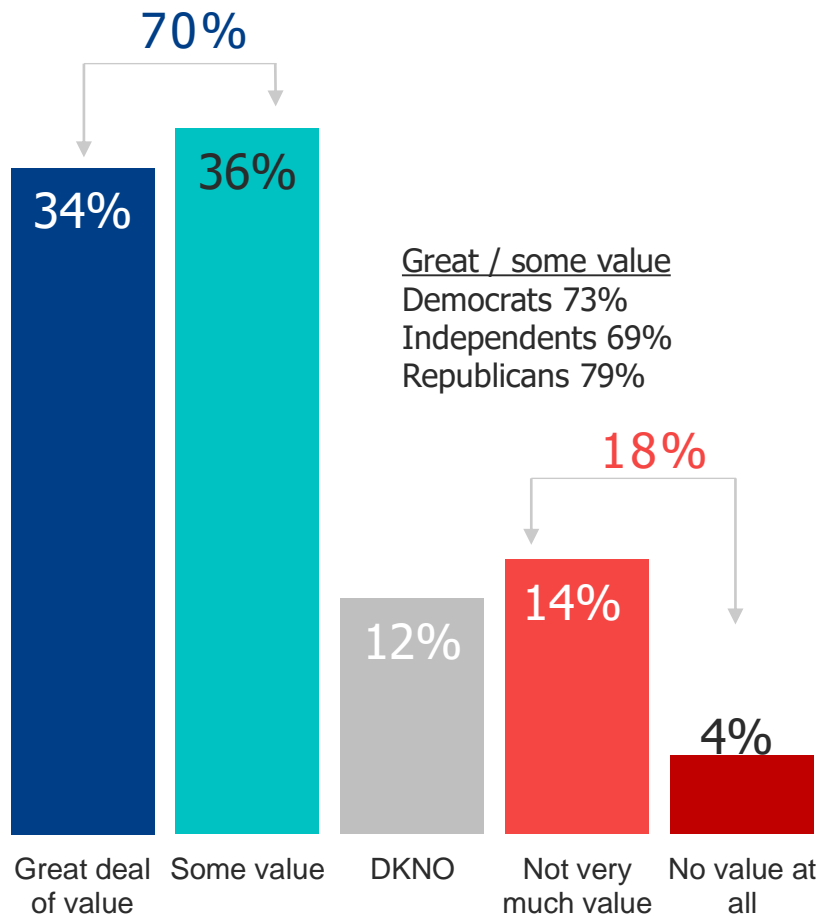
Methodology

This poll was conducted between June 26-29, 2020 among a sample of 794 Florida Registered Voters. The interviews were conducted online and the data were weighted to approximate a target sample of Florida Registered Voters based on gender, age, educational attainment, race, home ownership, and 2016 Presidential vote. Results from the full survey have a margin of error of plus or minus 3 percentage points.

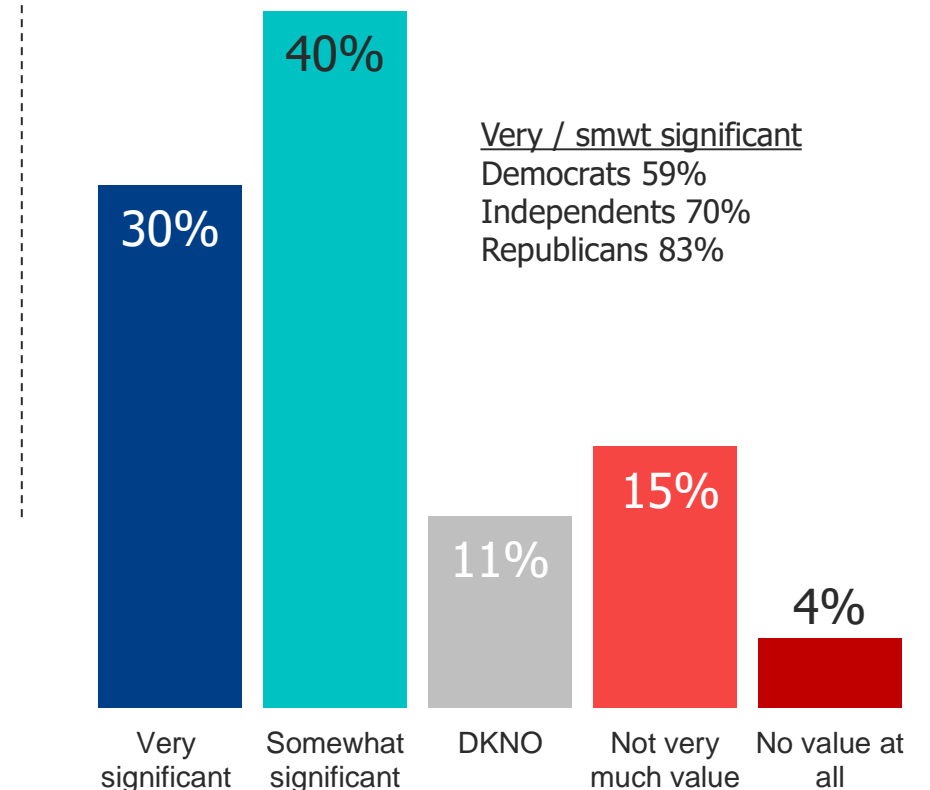
7 in 10 in FL voters say they get value from natural gas and oil and think it will play a large role in America's continued energy needs

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Thinking of the value that natural gas and oil provide to your life, would you say natural gas and oil provide to you personally...



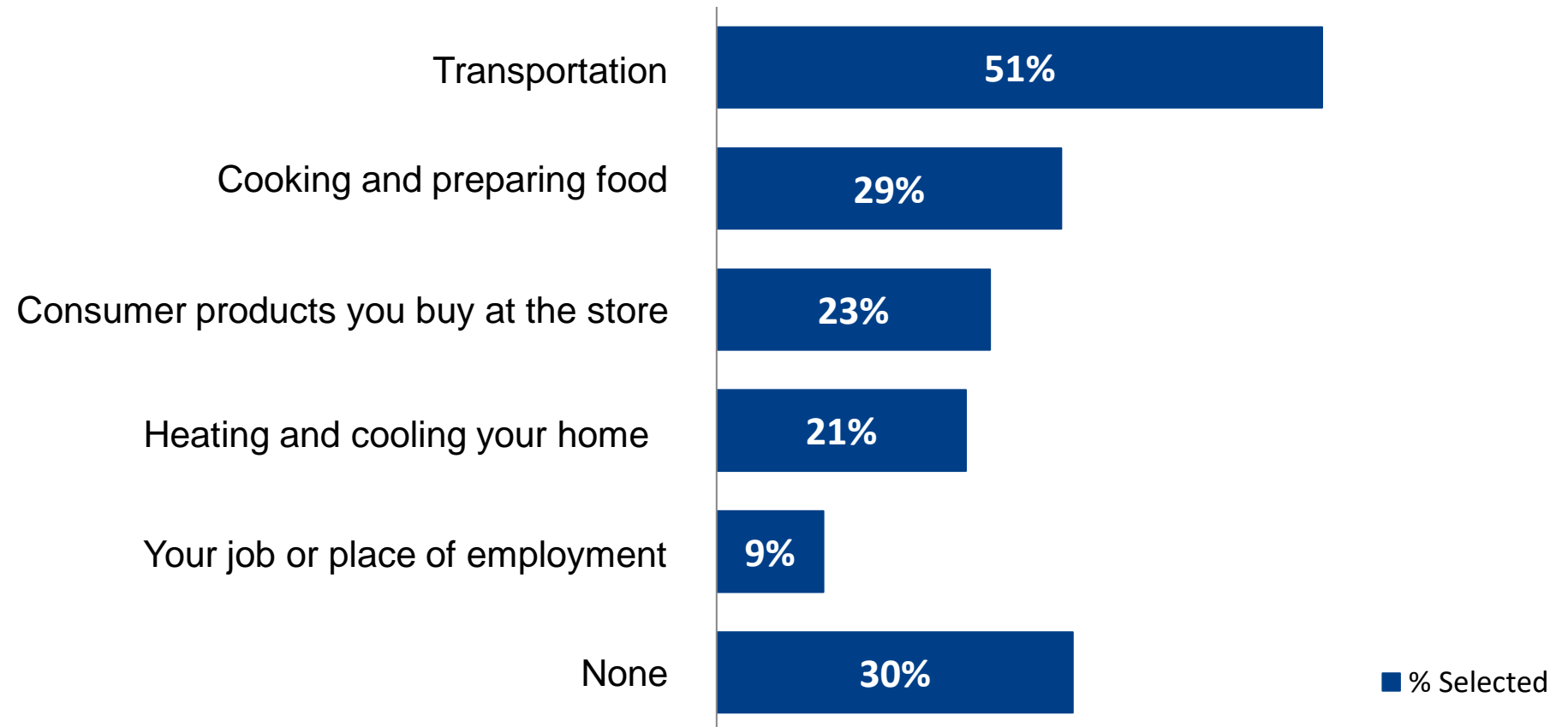
How much of a role do you think natural gas and oil will be a part of America's energy needs 20 years from now?



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FL voters less likely to rely on natural gas and oil in their homes, but half say they rely on it for transportation on a regular basis

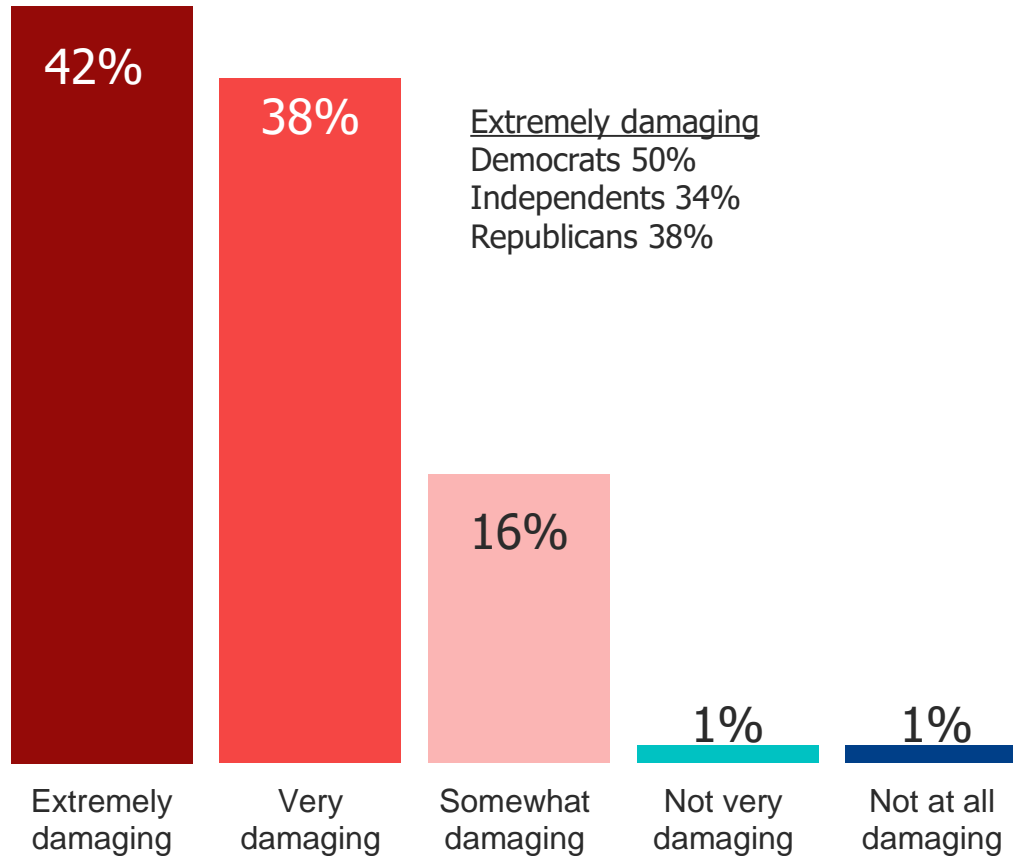
Do you rely on natural gas or oil for any of the following on a regular basis? Please check all that apply.



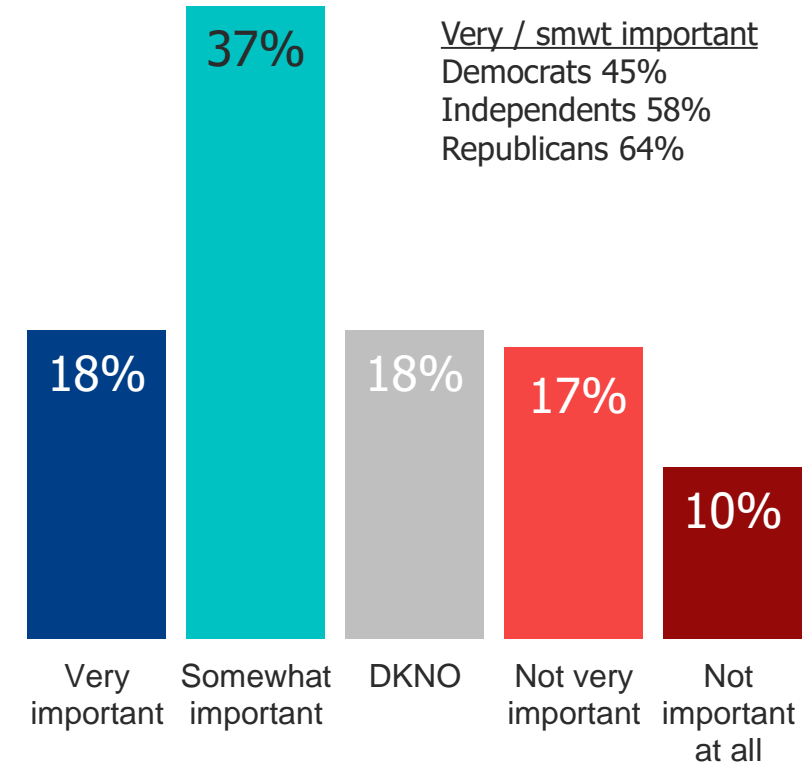
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8 in 10 FL voters say COVID has badly damaged state economy; majority believe natural gas and oil will play role in economic recovery

In your opinion, how damaging has the coronavirus (COVID-19) crisis been to the economy of your state?



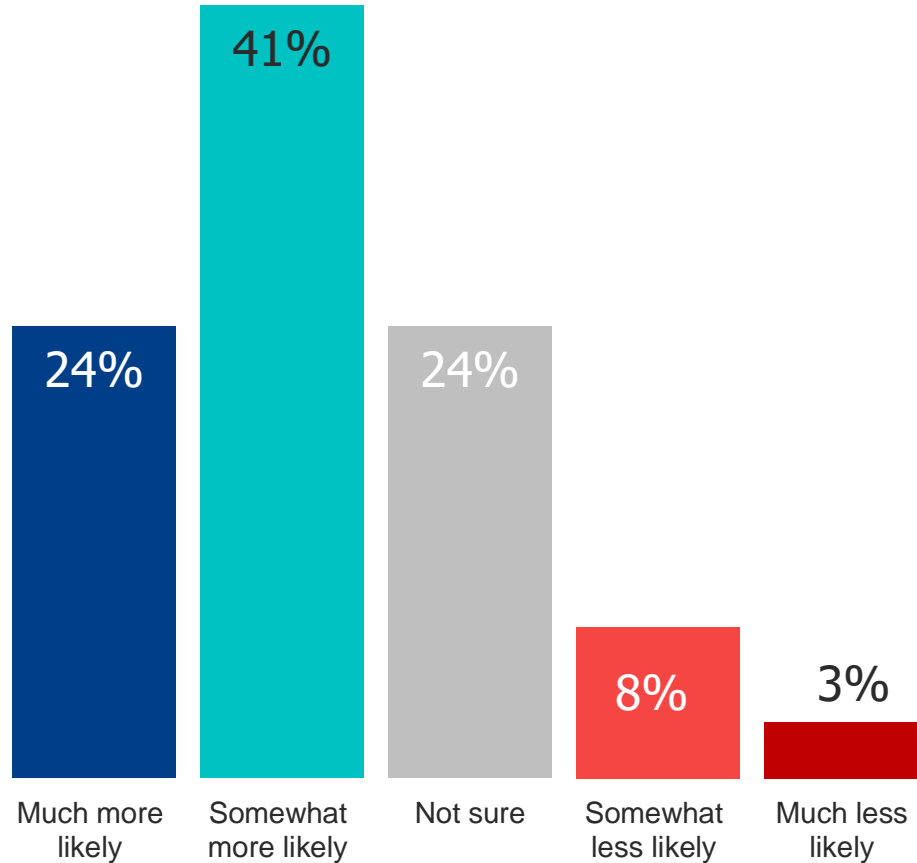
How important of a role do you believe the natural gas and oil industry will have in helping the economy recover from the economic impacts of the coronavirus pandemic?



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Nearly two-thirds of voters, including a majority of Dems, are more likely to vote for a candidate who supports access to oil & gas produced in U.S.

If you heard that a candidate for public office in your state supports policies that ensure consumers continue to have access to natural gas and oil produced in the U.S., would that make you more or less likely to vote for that person?

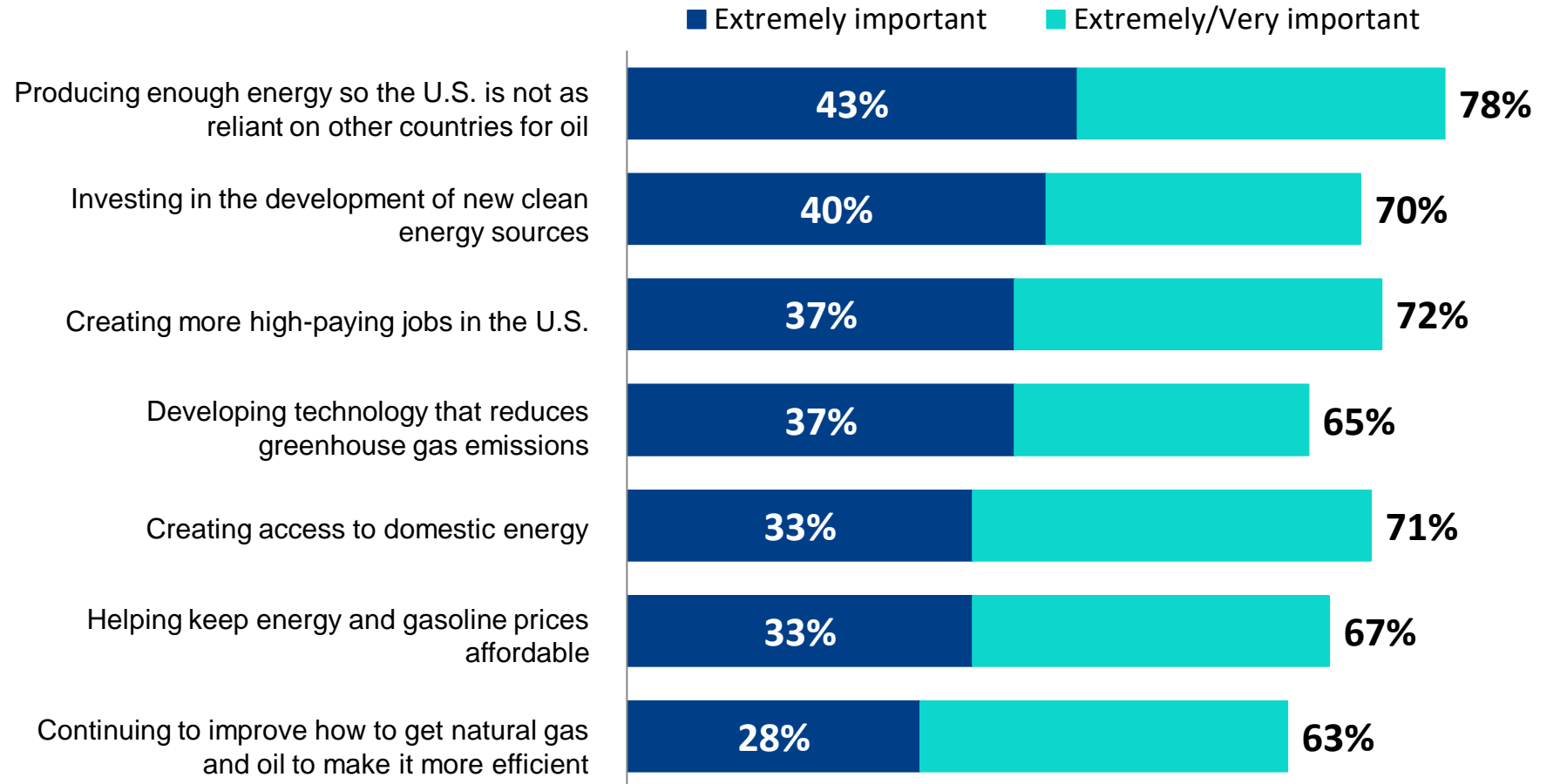


	Total more likely	Total Less Likely	Not Sure
Total	65%	11%	24%
Democrats	52%	20%	28%
Independents	56%	11%	34%
Republicans	84%	1%	14%
Non-college	63%	8%	29%
Bachelor's degree	69%	10%	21%
Post-grad	62%	15%	24%
Urban	68%	14%	19%
Suburban	60%	12%	28%
Rural	80%	4%	17%

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FL voters rank domestic energy production and job creation as most important aspects of the industry

Do you rely on natural gas or oil for any of the following on a regular basis? Please check all that apply.



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Strong bipartisan agreement on importance of energy independence, job creation, and access to domestic energy

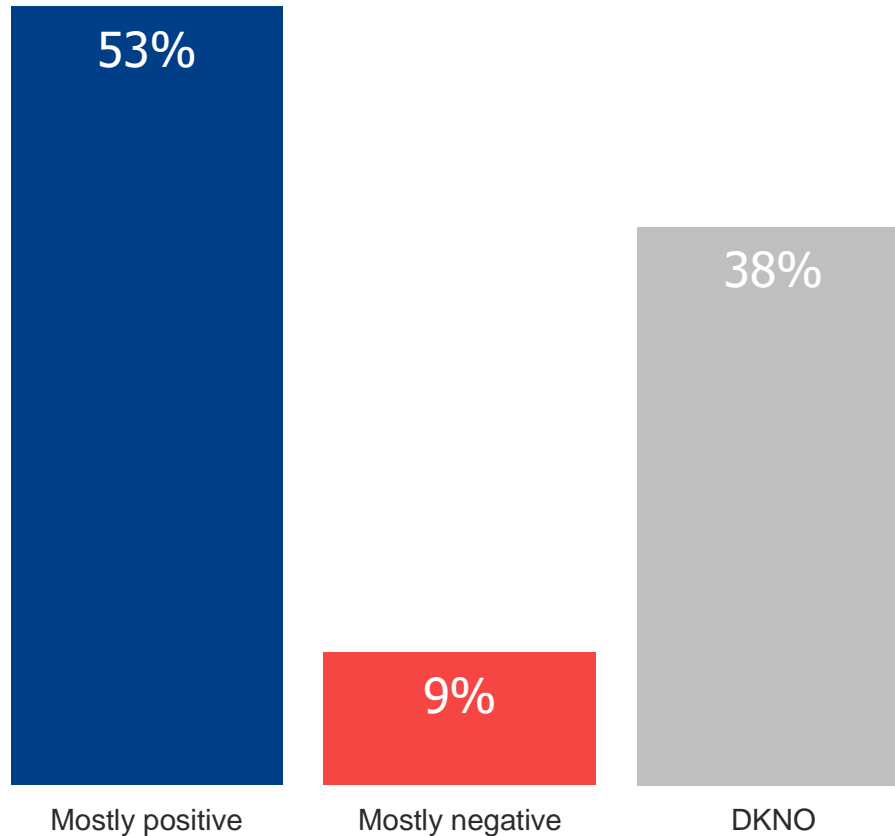
Please indicate how important, if at all, you believe each of the following statements are -- extremely important, very important, somewhat important, not very important, or not at all important?

<i>(Extremely/very important) shown</i>	Producing enough energy	Create high-paying jobs	Access to domestic energy	New clean energy sources	Keeping prices affordable	Greenhouse gas emissions	More efficient
Total	78	72	71	70	67	65	63
Democrats	76	71	73	83	69	78	62
Independents	69	74	68	76	57	70	51
Republicans	85	70	71	52	75	48	71
18-34	73	78	63	70	73	66	74
35-44	74	76	78	73	78	77	62
45-64	77	69	73	66	64	60	59
65+	82	68	74	74	66	69	58
Non-college	75	71	64	67	74	60	58
Bachelor's degree	76	72	72	67	66	62	66
Post-grad	80	71	76	75	64	62	63
Urban	80	79	83	79	76	79	67
Suburban	76	67	69	69	63	63	59
Rural	80	79	60	55	80	46	73

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Majority of FL voters say the natural gas and oil industry has a positive impact on national security

Do you think producing natural gas and oil here in the U.S. tends to have a mostly positive or mostly negative impact on our country's national security?



	Mostly positive	Mostly negative	Neutral
Total	53	9	38
Dem	40	14	46
Ind	50	5	45
Rep	69	6	26
18-34	42	19	39
35-44	56	7	37
45-64	62	5	34
65+	48	8	44
Urban	54	8	38
Suburban	52	10	38
Rural	53	8	39

FL voters want new technologies for clean and smart energy production and recognize the industry's role in maintaining a modern lifestyle

Below are some statements about America's natural gas and oil. Please read each one and indicate the degree to which you agree or disagree with each.

■ Strongly agree ■ Somewhat agree

Natural gas and oil companies should continue to work with the best minds to develop and apply new technologies to allow for cleaner and smarter energy production **48%** **83%**

Natural gas and oil are essential to a modern lifestyle. They provide the fuel, power, and products that make our everyday lives safer, healthier, and more comfortable **39%** **73%**

Because America is safely producing more natural gas and oil, our county is not as reliant on foreign sources of energy and has increased our country's national security **30%** **73%**

The raw products that the natural gas and oil industry produces help make medical devices and protective equipment that are critical to healthcare providers and patients throughout our nation **29%** **68%**

Natural gas & oil make renewable energy possible. Natural gas and petroleum products are used to make wind turbines & solar panels and provide power when other energy sources can't be used **29%** **66%**

Natural gas and oil products help provide access to heating, sanitization, and healthcare to billions of people around the world and are helping lift communities out of energy poverty **28%** **69%**

According to independent studies, the natural gas and oil industry supports millions of U.S. jobs which pay an average of \$108,000 which is almost twice the national average, boosts local and state economies, and helps energize American manufacturing **27%** **68%**

U.S. carbon dioxide emissions are at their lowest levels in a decade and cleaner transportation fuels, alone with advanced technologies, have led to 99 percent lower car emissions than those manufactured before emissions controls **18%** **52%**

Voters across the board support developing new technologies for clean and smart energy production

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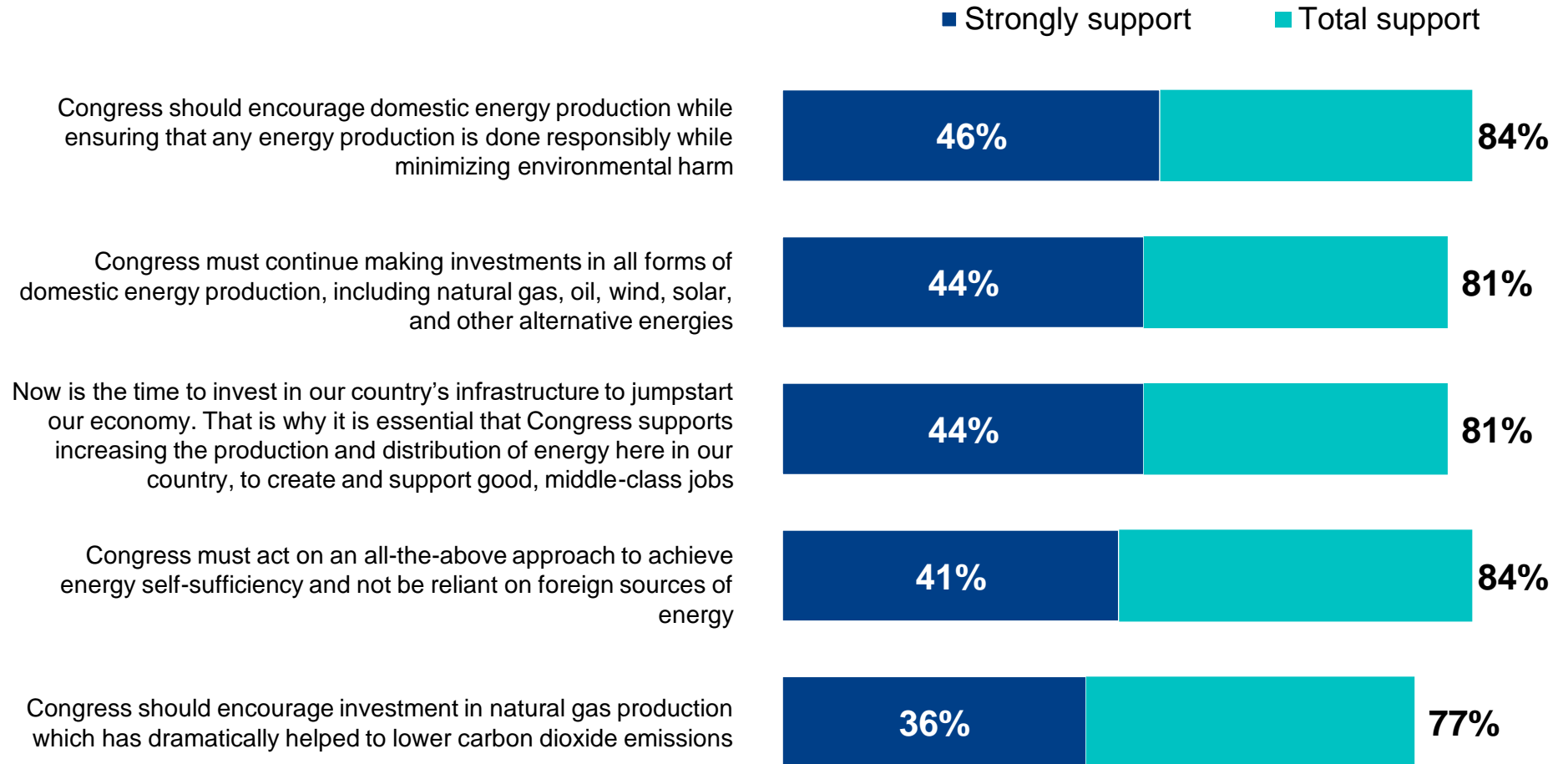
<i>(Total agree) shown</i>	New tech	Essential to modern life	Increased national security	Medical devices	Renewable energy	Energy poverty	Supports jobs	Lower emissions
Total	83%	73%	73%	66%	68%	69%	68%	52%
Democrats	81%	65%	66%	59%	60%	61%	62%	40%
Independents	77%	68%	67%	61%	62%	65%	58%	42%
Republicans	89%	83%	85%	78%	80%	82%	82%	72%
18-34	64%	58%	58%	53%	58%	52%	64%	44%
35-44	86%	75%	69%	53%	63%	73%	79%	55%
45-64	84%	73%	74%	71%	67%	71%	67%	54%
65+	95%	80%	85%	74%	76%	79%	68%	54%
Non-college	80%	70%	66%	66%	62%	67%	59%	49%
Bachelor's degree	85%	76%	78%	71%	69%	73%	70%	54%
Post-grad	85%	71%	75%	63%	70%	69%	73%	54%
Urban	82%	79%	73%	68%	63%	67%	68%	53%
Suburban	85%	71%	75%	66%	68%	72%	67%	51%
Rural	73%	65%	67%	68%	73%	61%	72%	56%

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FL voters want to invest in domestic energy production of all kinds, but also want to ensure minimal harm to the environment

Below are some actions that Congress can take on energy. Please indicate if you support or oppose Congress taking the following actions.



Bipartisan support for investing in domestic energy production of all kinds while minimizing harm to the environment

Below are some actions that Congress can take on energy. Please indicate if you support or oppose Congress taking the following actions.

<i>(Total support shown)</i>	Minimize harm	Continue investments	Infrastructure	All-the-above	Lower emissions
Total	84%	81%	81%	84%	77%
Democrats	83%	77%	77%	82%	74%
Independents	81%	81%	76%	80%	70%
Republicans	87%	84%	89%	86%	84%
18-34	63%	70%	66%	69%	60%
35-44	86%	76%	80%	85%	84%
45-64	88%	84%	83%	87%	80%
65+	93%	86%	91%	88%	81%
White	89%	83%	86%	86%	80%
Hispanic	74%	78%	71%	77%	73%
Urban	80%	84%	77%	79%	79%
Suburban	86%	80%	81%	84%	76%
Rural	80%	77%	88%	89%	75%

