

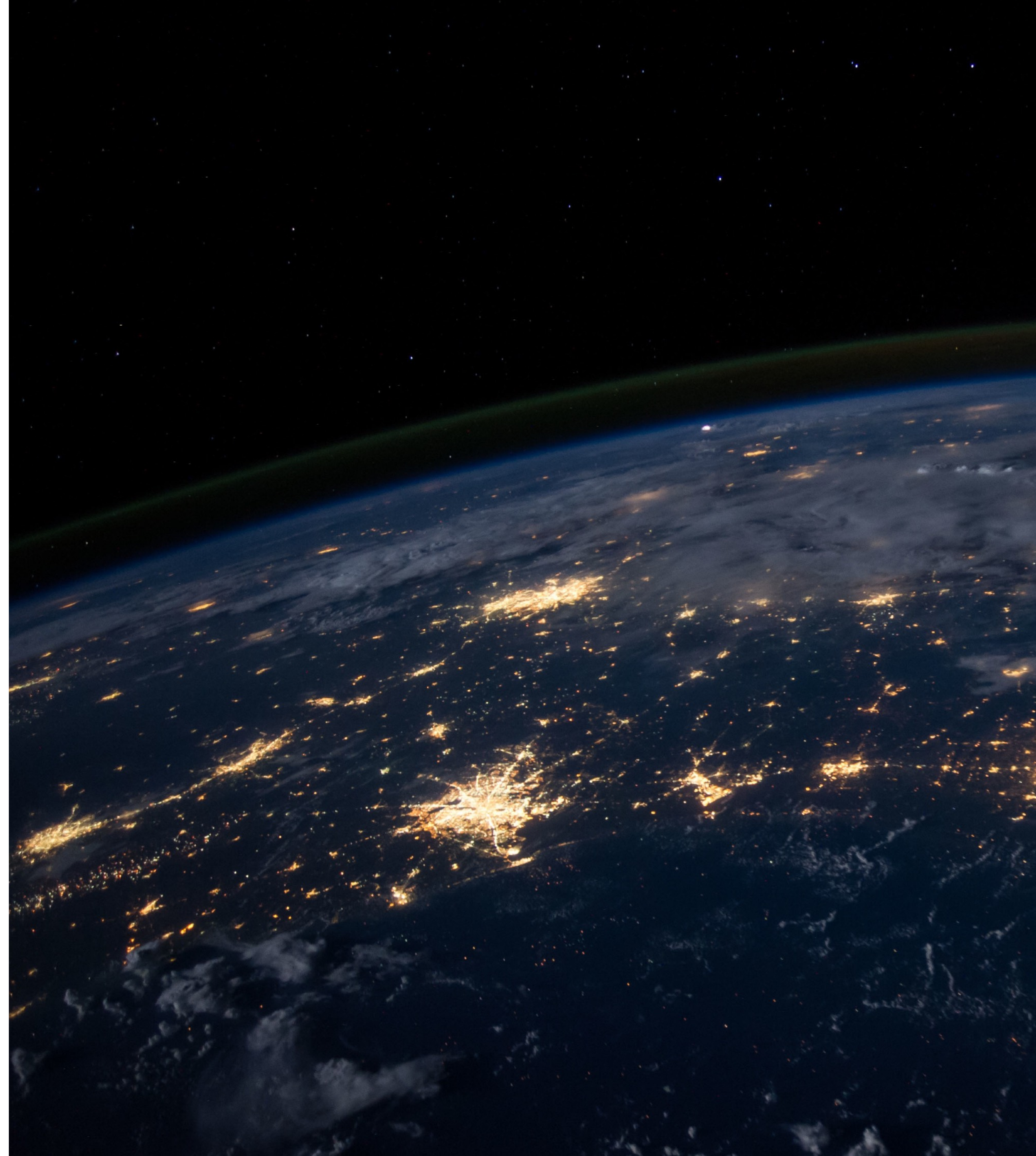


June 2026 Vaccine Survey

Taxpayers Protection Alliance

N=1,009 voters in the Likely Electorate, nationwide

June 10 - 12, 2026



Key Takeaways

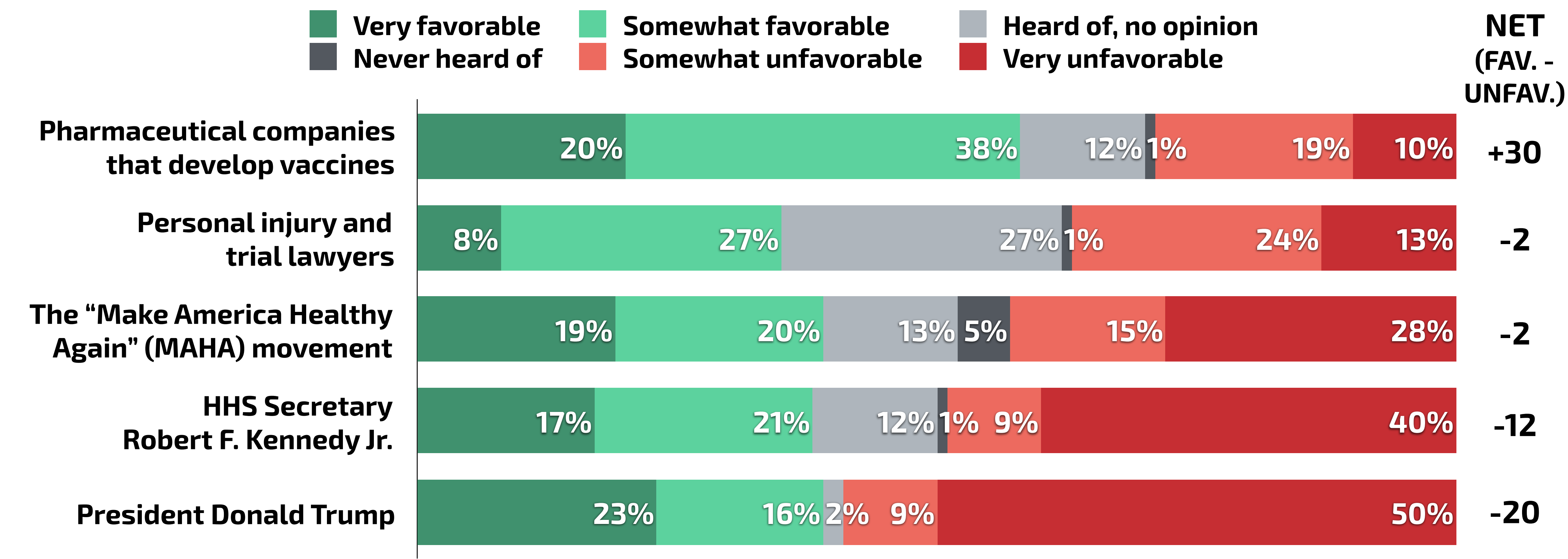
- **The RFK Jr. agenda could be a political liability with Independents.** They are skeptical of RFK Jr. and his health agenda, with most saying they oppose the recent actions RFK Jr. has taken.
- **Voters want vaccines kept out of politics.** Across party lines, voters overwhelmingly believe vaccine recommendations should be made by independent medical experts, not political appointees.
 - They broadly support access to safe, FDA-approved vaccines and say they are personally comfortable getting a vaccine when their doctor recommends it.
- **Trump's past pro-vaccine comments can be an asset.** When voters hear Trump's own words praising effective vaccines as "not controversial at all," voters across parties, as well as MAHA supporters, say it matches their views.
- **MAHA supporters are not fully behind RFK's health agenda.** Instead, they oppose several of his key actions at higher rates than MAGA supporters do. After learning more about RFK Jr. through the survey, MAHA supporters' trust in him dropped.
- **Most voters have never heard of the Vaccine Injury Compensation Program (VICP),** but once they learn what it does, voters across parties say it is a good idea.



**Voters are comfortable with vaccines
and want politics kept out of them.**



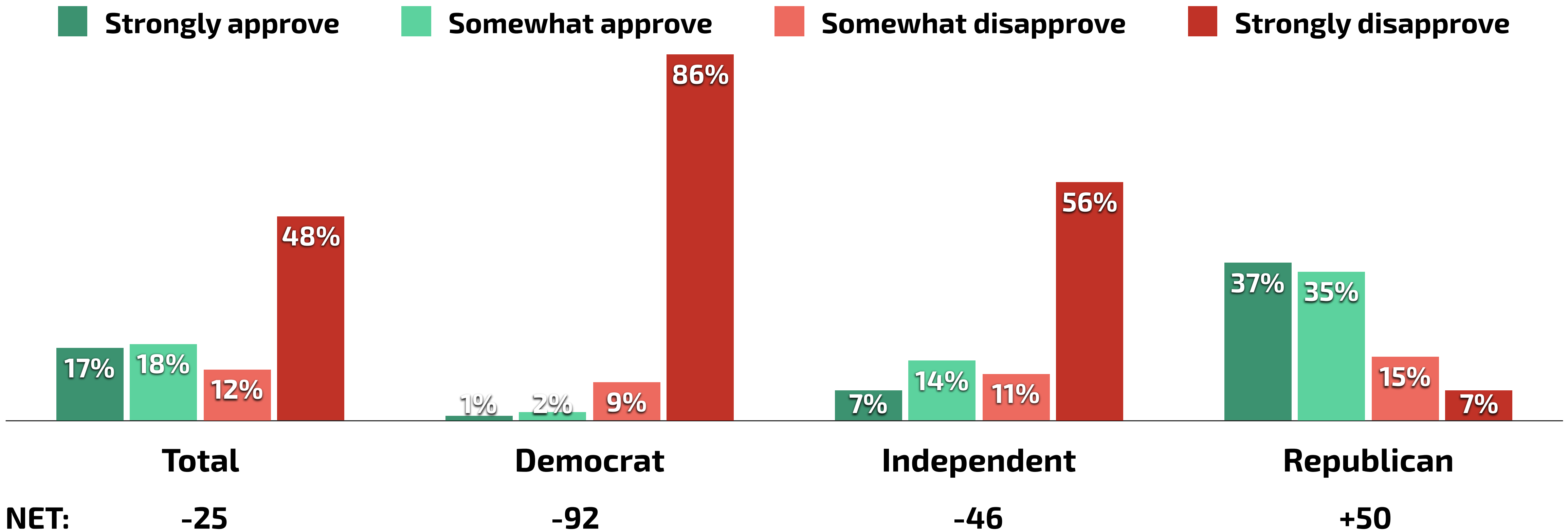
Most voters have a favorable view of pharmaceutical companies that develop vaccines



Q. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable view of the following people or entities?

Most voters disapprove of how Trump is handling healthcare

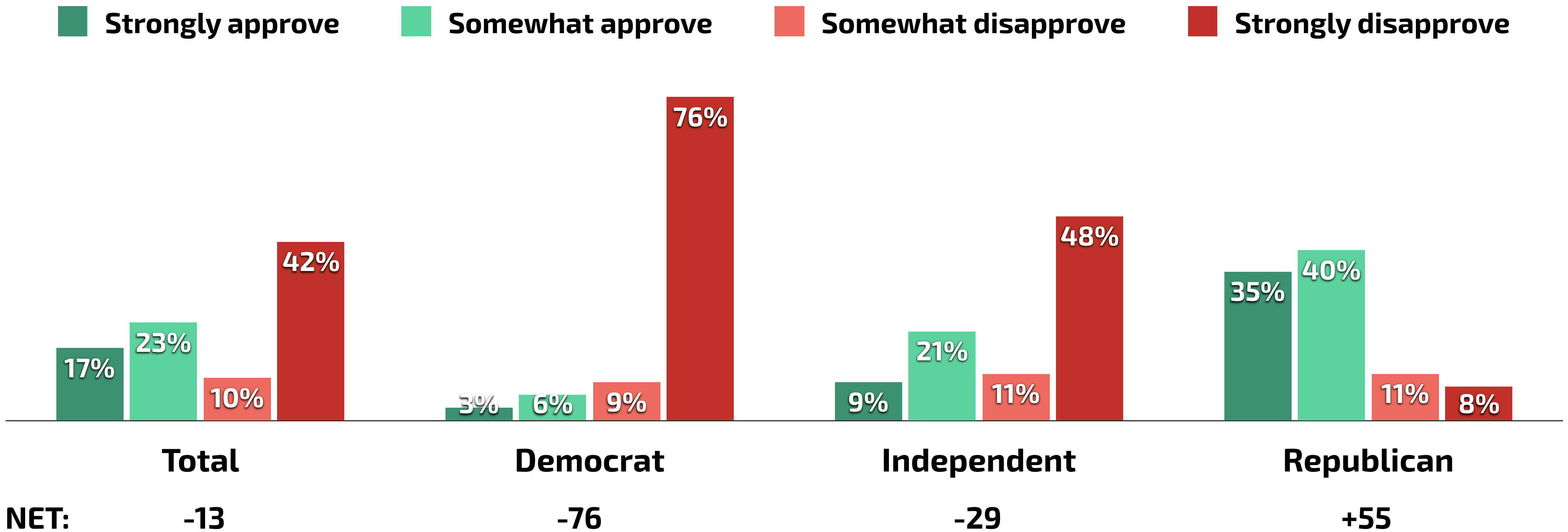
Q. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling healthcare?



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More than half of independents and Democrats disapprove of the job RFK Jr. is doing as HHS Secretary

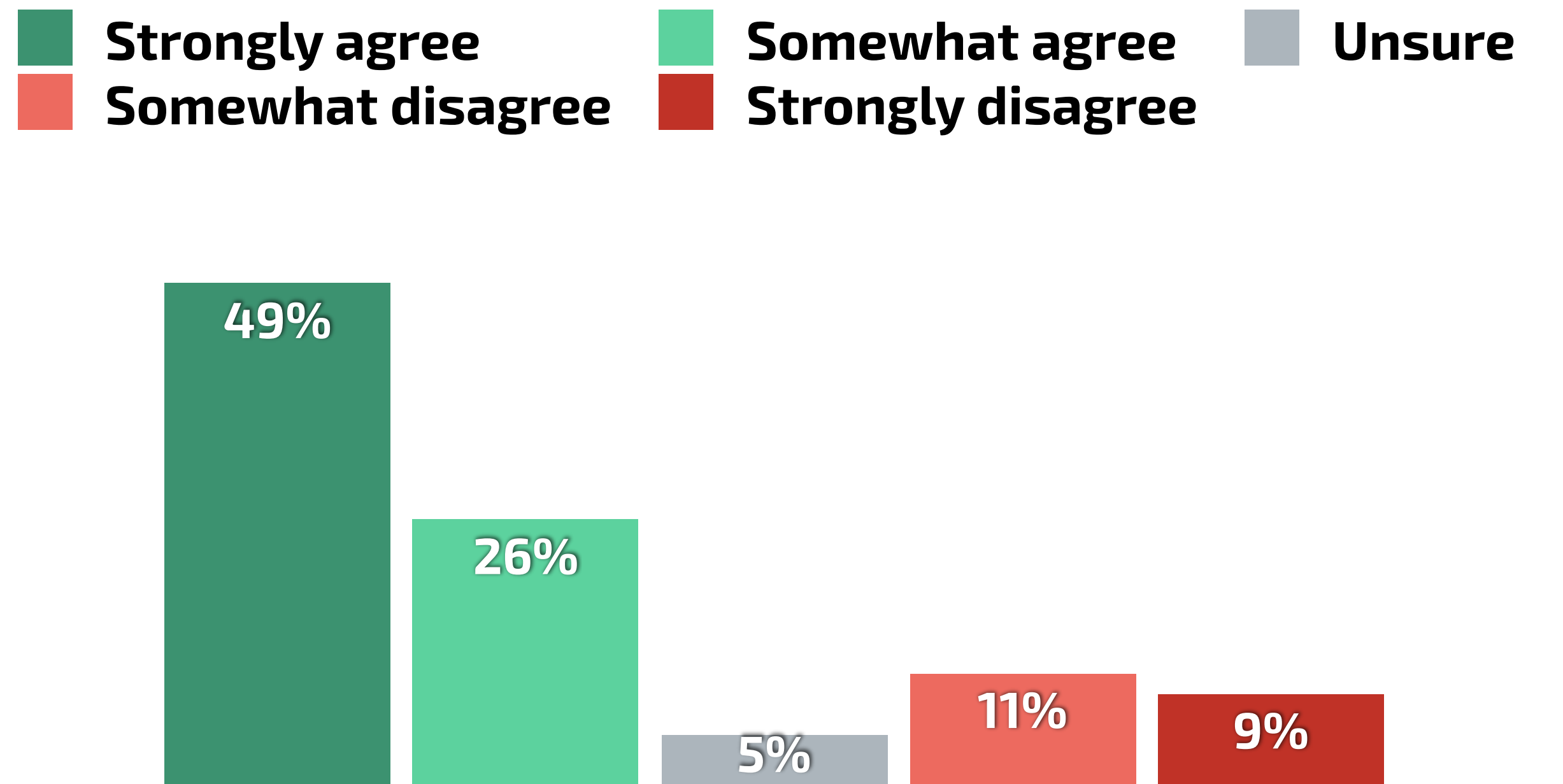
Q. Do you approve or disapprove of the job that Robert F. Kennedy Jr. is doing as Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS)?



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**Voters are
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***“I am personally comfortable getting a vaccine if my
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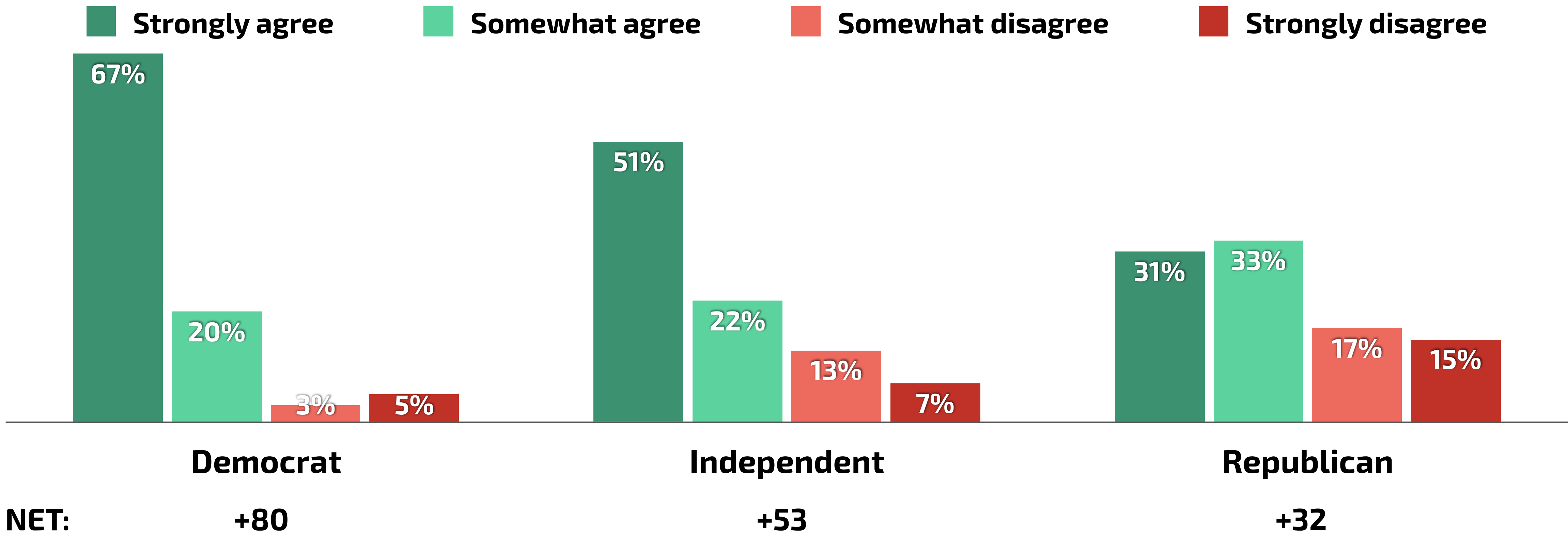


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Voters across party lines are comfortable getting vaccines that are recommended by their doctor

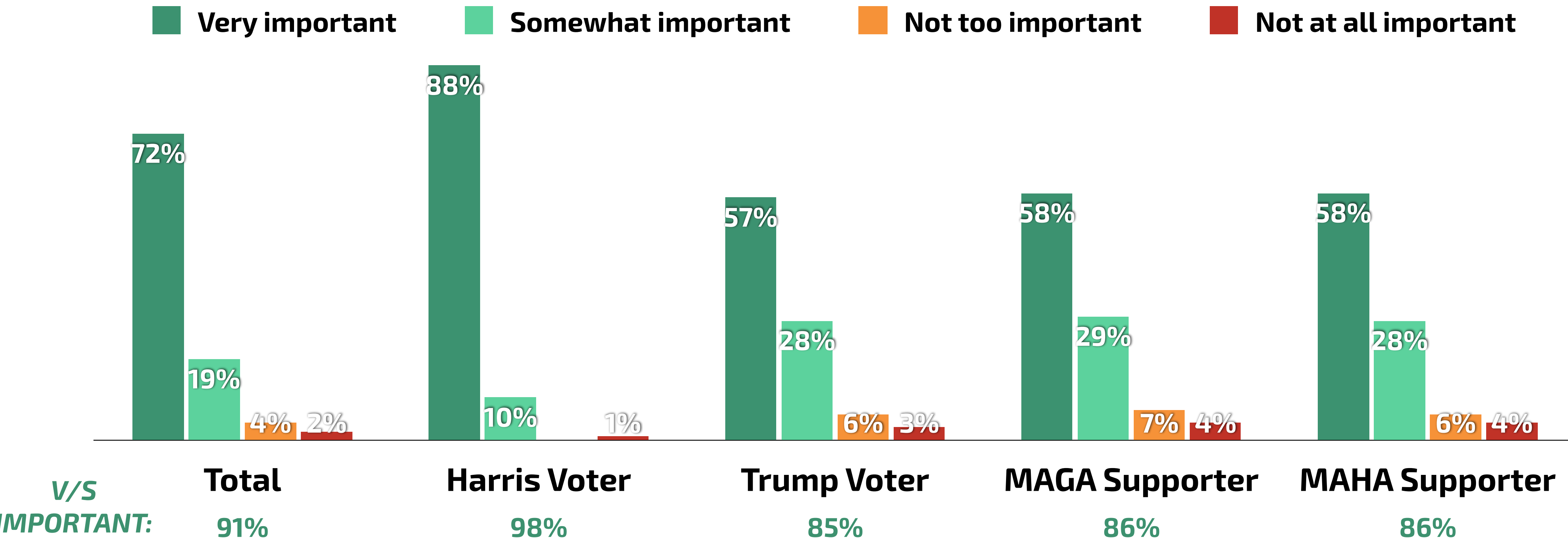
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Most voters say that it is important to have access to safe, FDA-approved vaccines

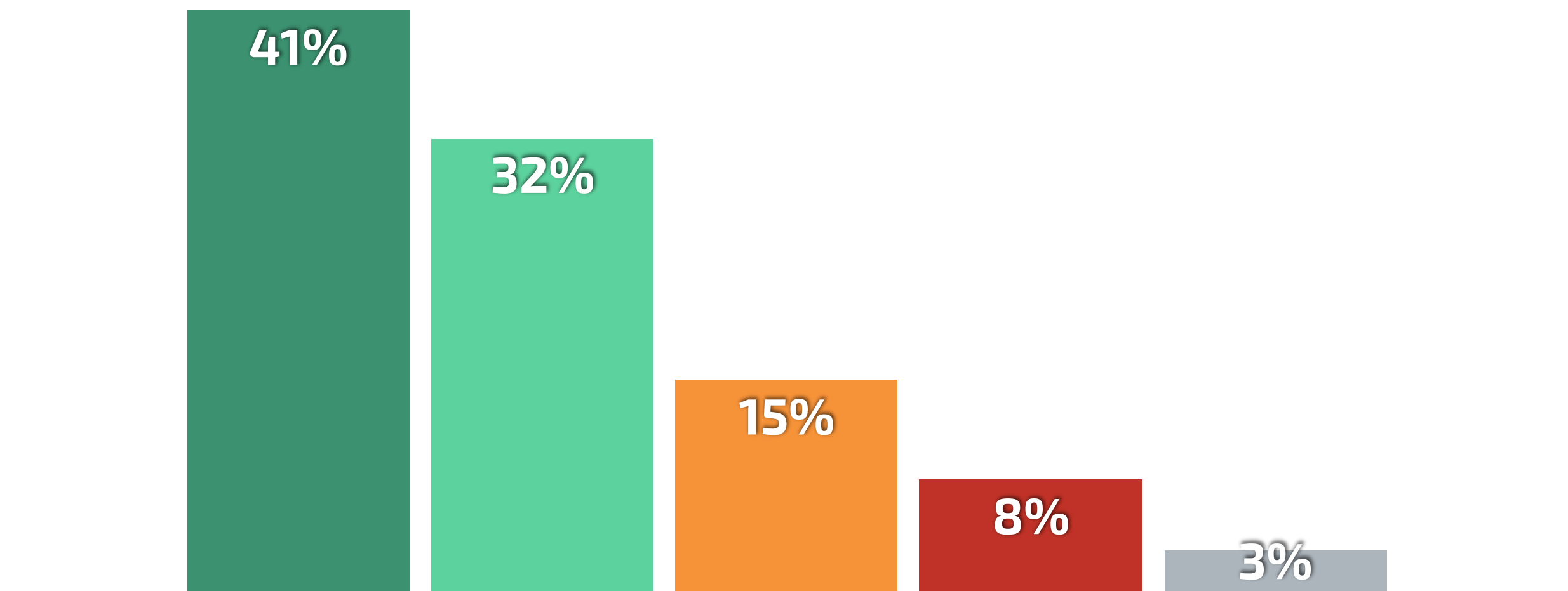
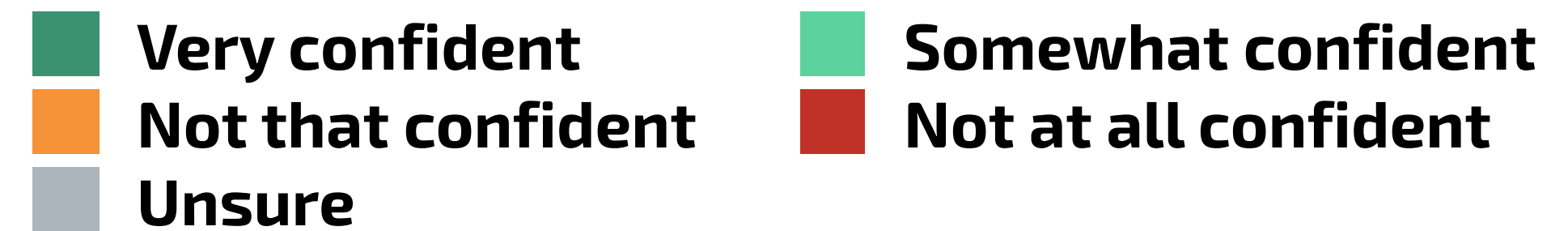
Q. How important is it to you, if at all, that families across the country continue to have access to safe, FDA-approved vaccines?



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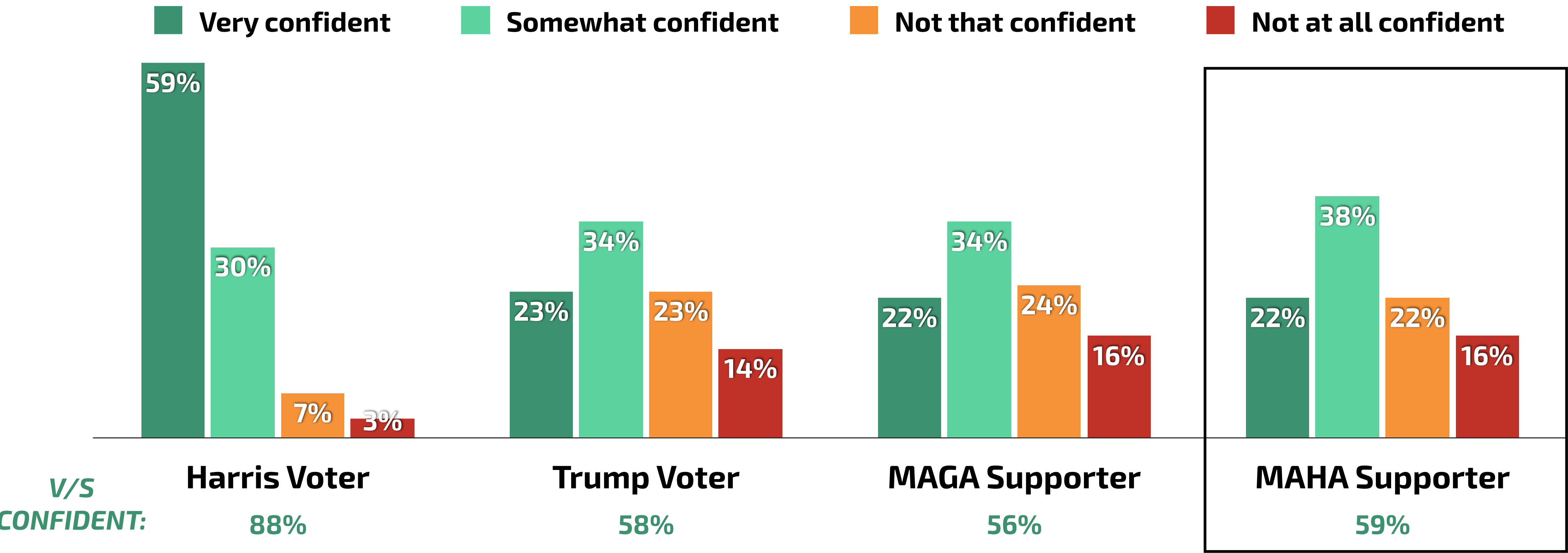
Most voters are confident that vaccines approved by the FDA are safe

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Supporters of the MAHA movement are confident in the safety of vaccines approved by the FDA

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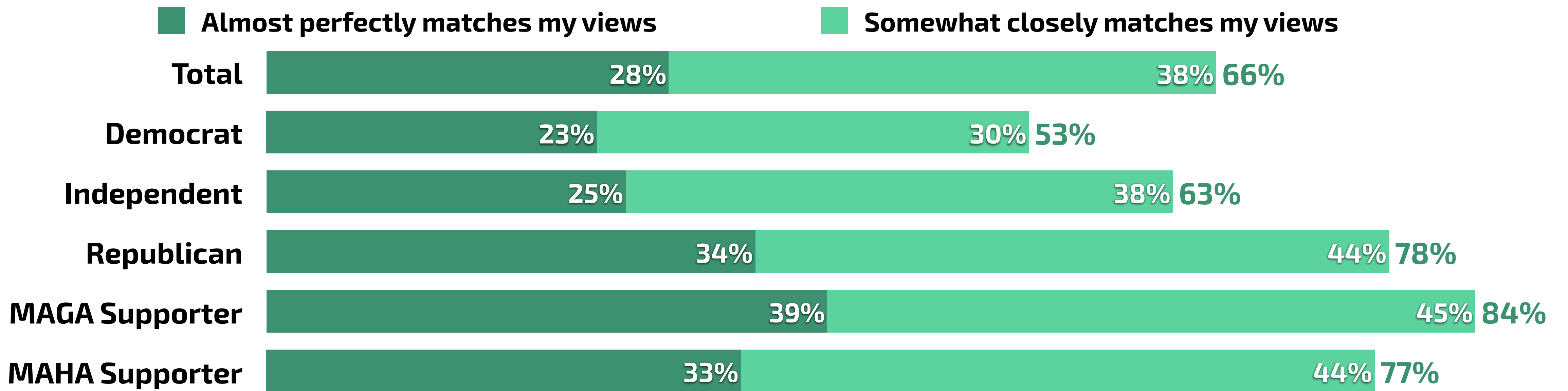


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Trump’s statement supporting the polio vaccine is echoed by wide majorities

Q. Last year, after being asked by a reporter about vaccines, President Trump praised the polio shot and said “You have vaccines that work... They’re not controversial at all. And I think those vaccines should be used. Otherwise some people are going to catch it and they endanger other people.”

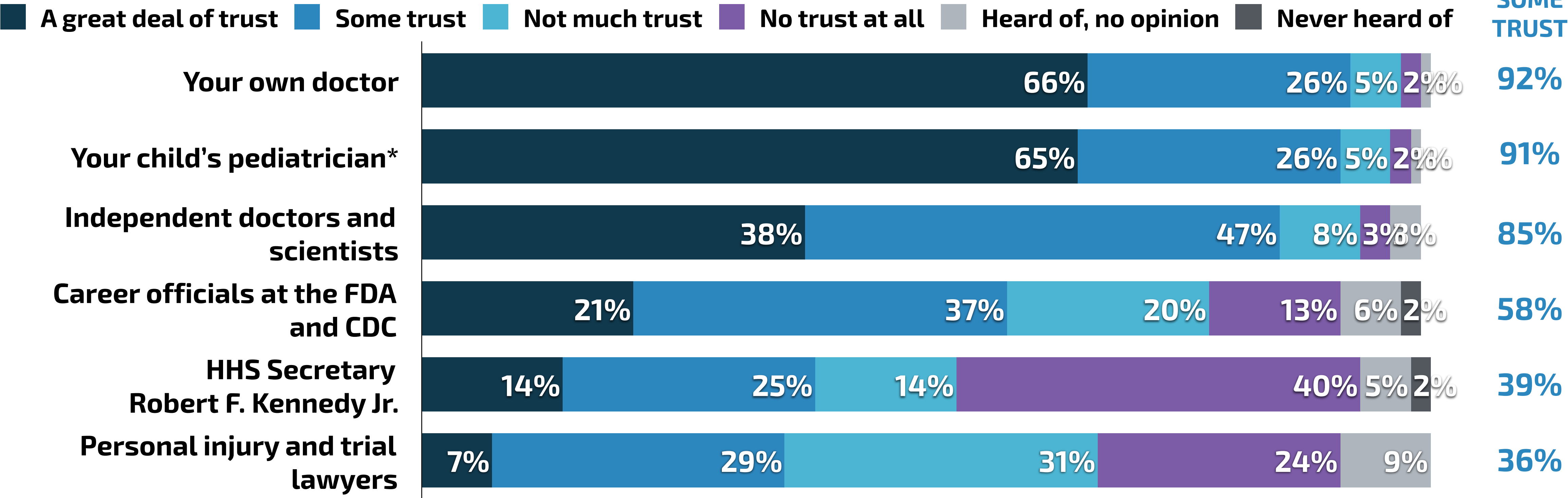
Please indicate whether or not this statement from Trump matches your views.



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2-in-5 voters say they have no trust at all in RFK Jr.

Q. How much trust do you have in the following people to provide accurate, science-based information about vaccines?



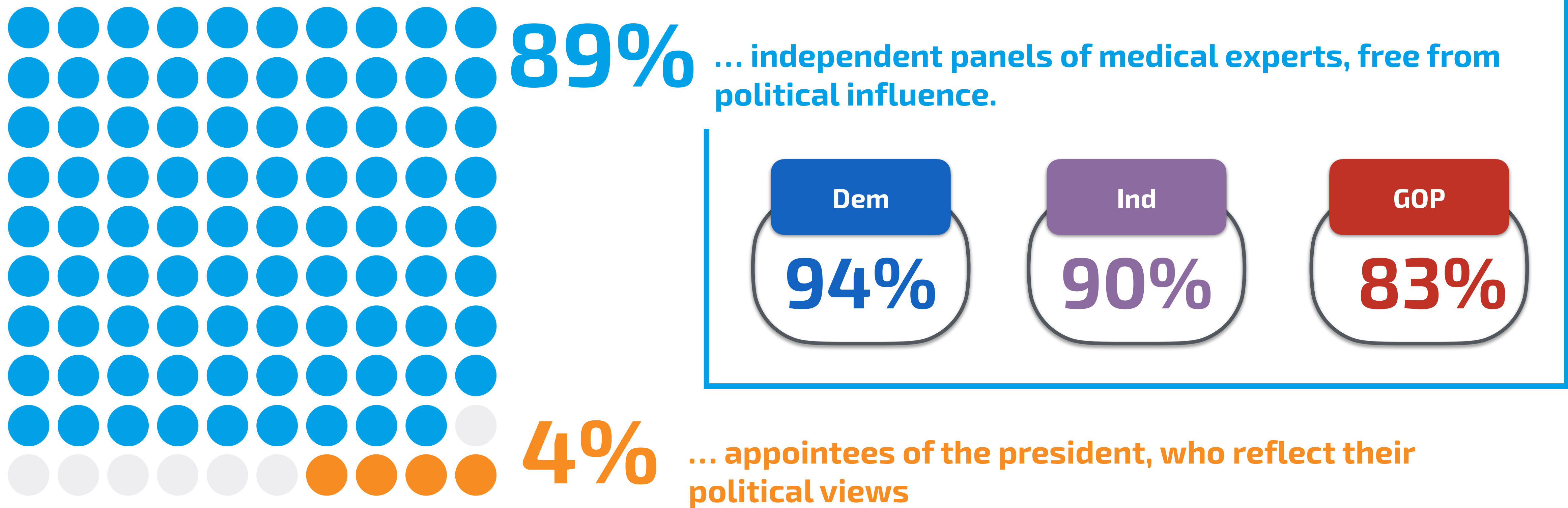
Note: "Your child's pediatrician" is only asked of parents of children 18 or younger (n=250).

**Robert F. Kennedy Jr.'s recent proposals
and actions do not fully align with what
voters want.**



Voters say that vaccine recommendations should be made by independent panels, free from political influence

“Vaccine recommendations and safety standards should be made by...”



Q. Which of these statements comes closest to your view, even if neither of them is exactly right?



RFK's actions on vaccines are not supported

Action Secretary Kennedy has taken or proposed since being sworn in as HHS Secretary		HAVE HEARD A LOT/A LITTLE	SUPPORT	OPPOSE	NET (SUPPORT - OPPOSE)
ACIP Overhaul	Removed all sitting members of the federal vaccine advisory panel known as the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) and replaced them with several known critics of vaccines	56%	26%	58%	-32
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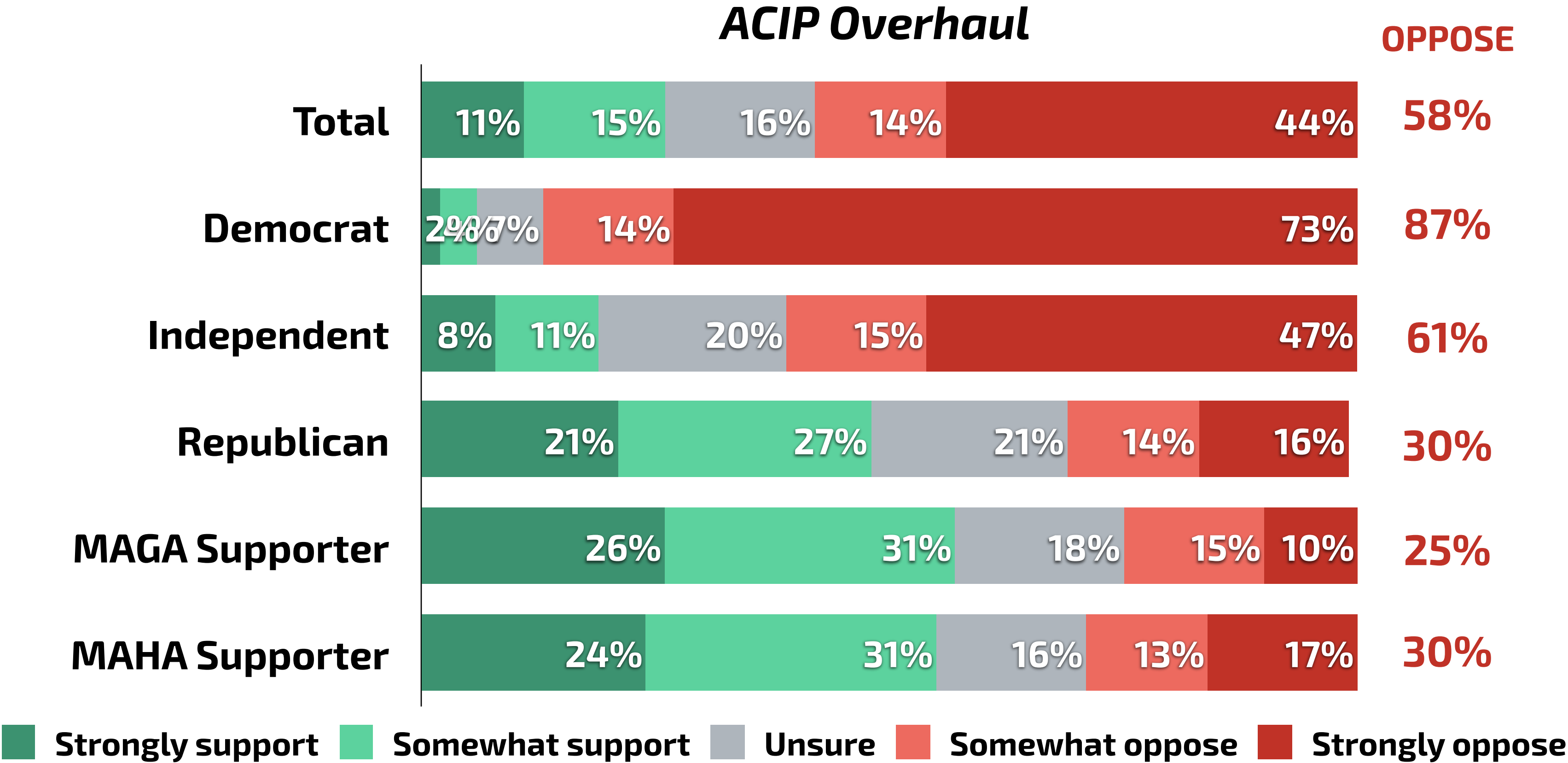
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Most voters, including majorities of independents, oppose RFK Jr.'s removal of all sitting members on the ACIP

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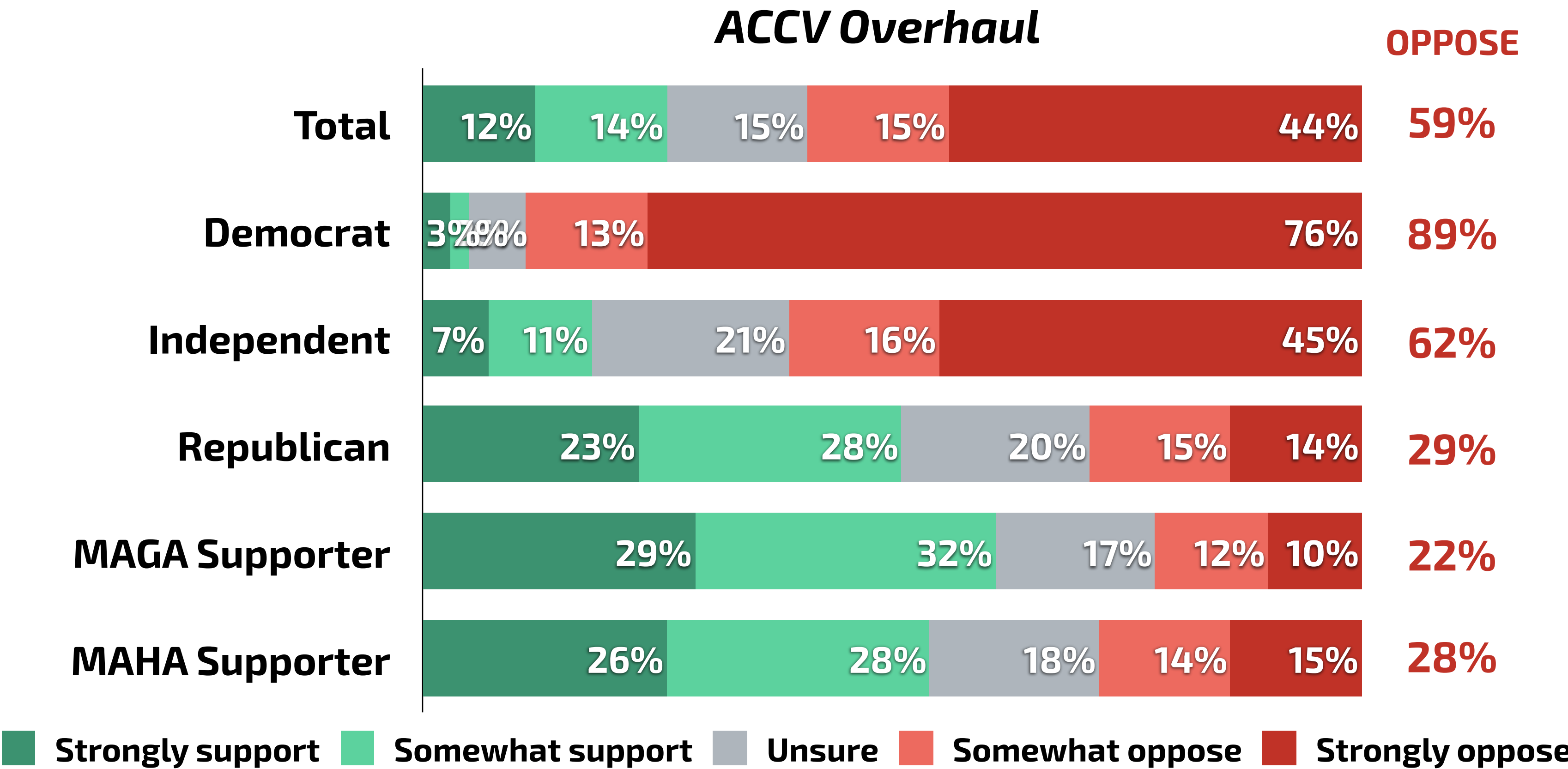
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Most independents oppose the removal of members from the ACCV prior to the end of their terms

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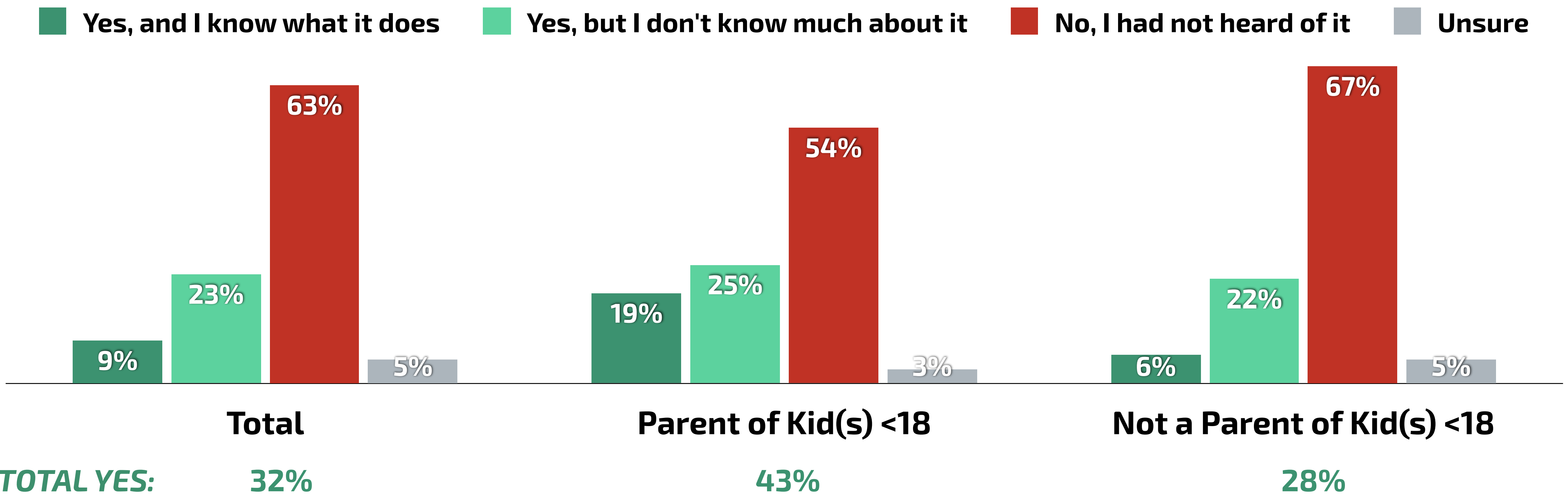
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**Voters have not heard much about the
VICP but think it sounds like a good idea.**



Most voters are unaware of the VICP; voters with children are 15 points more aware than their counterparts

Q. Before today, had you seen, read, or heard about the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program, sometimes called the VICP?

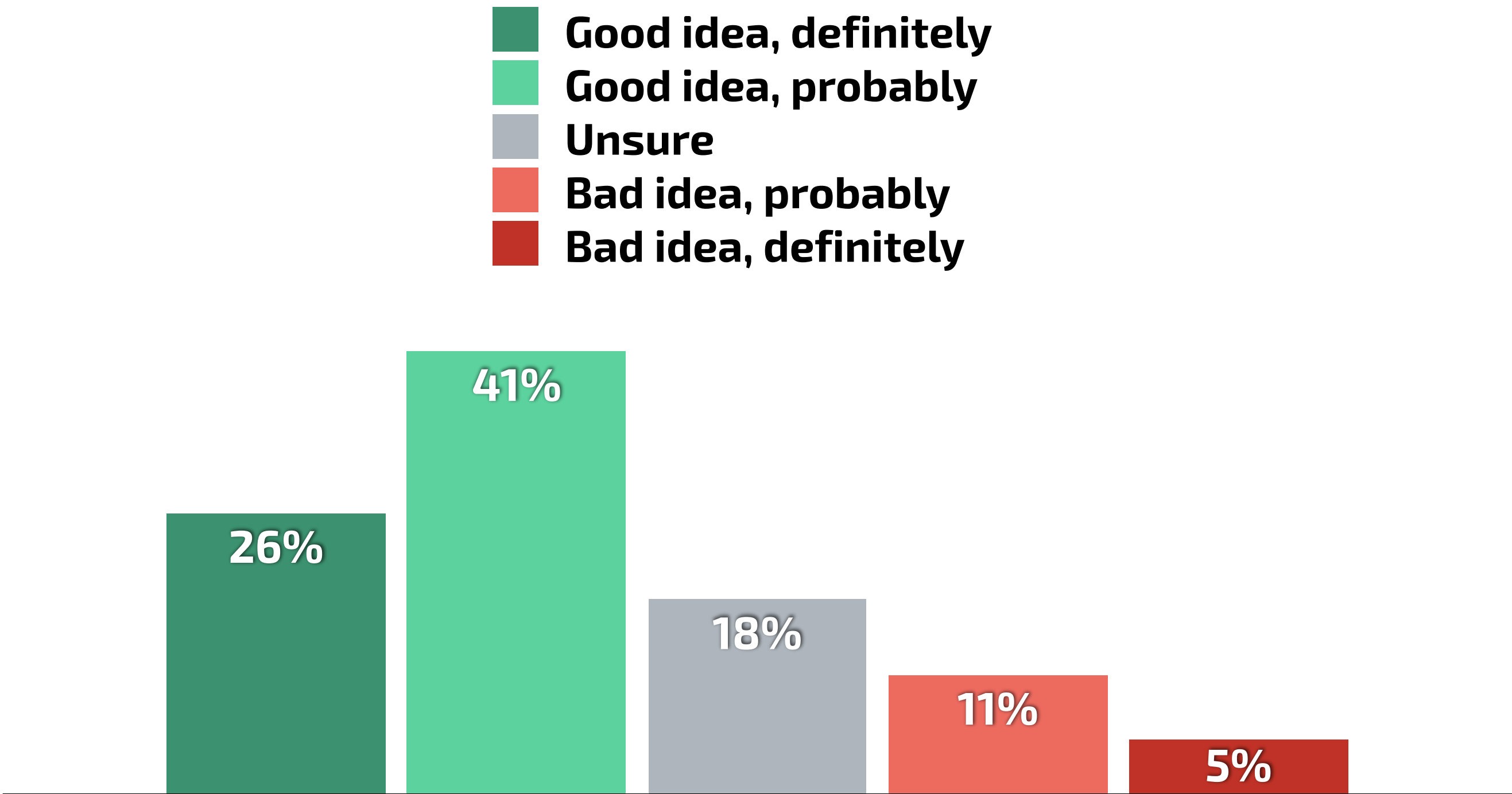


Given the definition of the VICP, most voters say that having the VICP is a good idea

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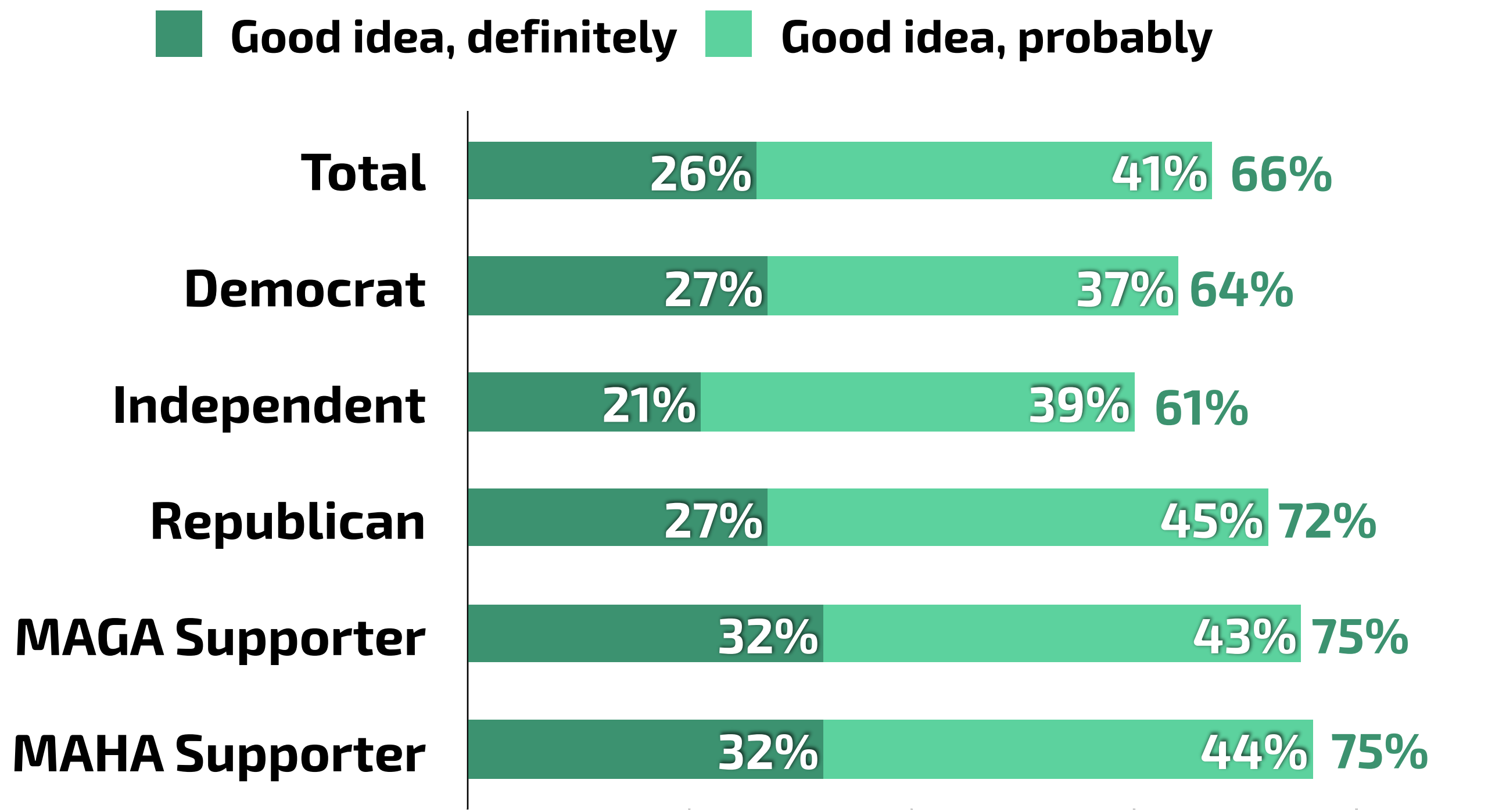
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Republicans are most likely to say that having the VICP is a good idea

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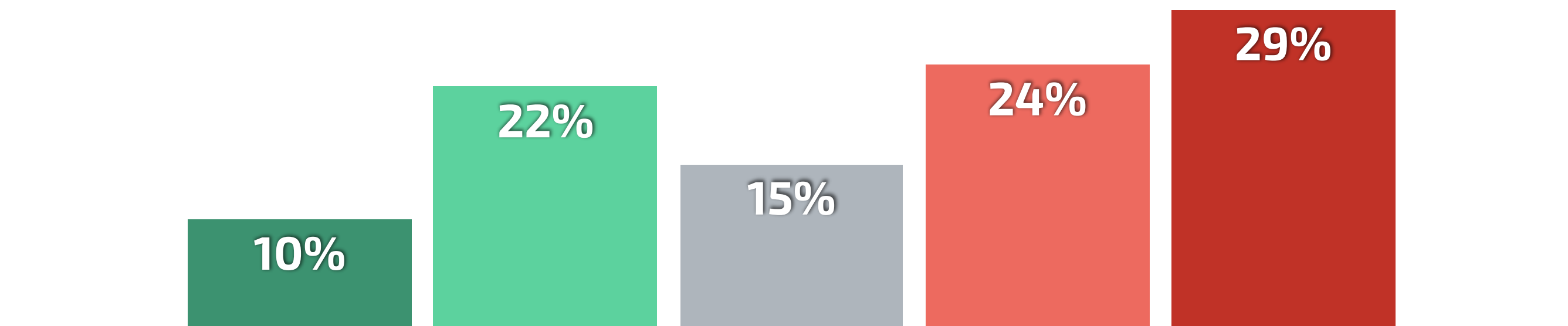


RFK Jr.'s plan to overhaul VICP is rejected

Secretary Kennedy said he wants to overhaul the VICP and the protections it provides to injured patients, which limits civil lawsuits against vaccine manufacturers. He says by having patients sue in court, this would provide better compensation for injured patients and hold vaccine makers more accountable. Critics warn this reform of VICP would ultimately leave injured patients with less money in their pockets, as personal injury and trial lawyers would typically take a percentage (often 25-40%) of any compensation awarded - redirecting funds away from patients and toward litigation costs.

Q. Knowing this, would you say that Secretary Kennedy's plan to overhaul the VICP is *a good idea* or *a bad idea*?

- Good idea, definitely
- Good idea, probably
- Unsure
- Bad idea, probably
- Bad idea, definitely



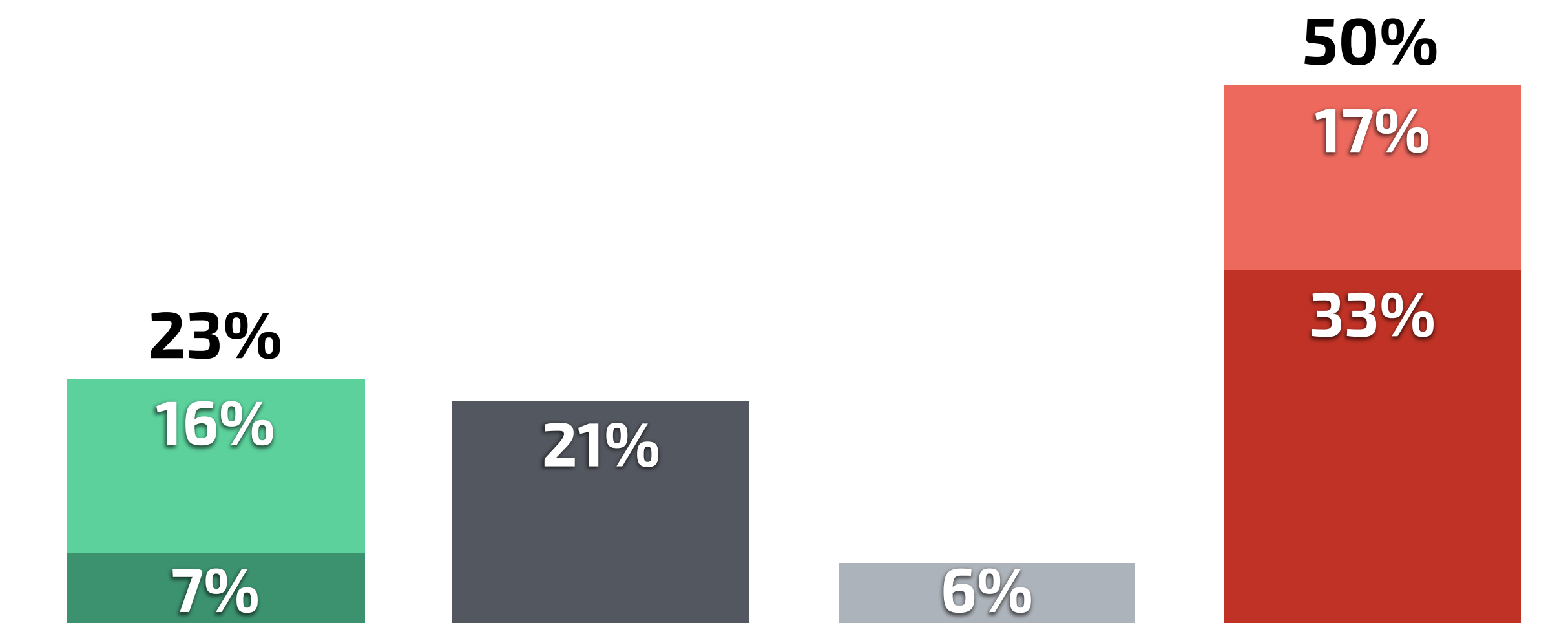
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Half of voters say recent efforts to overhaul oversight and reduce vaccine recommendations make them less confident in political leaders

Q. Do the federal government's recent efforts to overhaul oversight and reduce vaccine recommendations make you more or less confident in political leaders responsible for protecting public health?

Much more confident **Somewhat more confident**
No impact **Unsure**
Much less confident **Somewhat less confident**



The government's health overhaul has made independents less confident in political leaders responsible for public health

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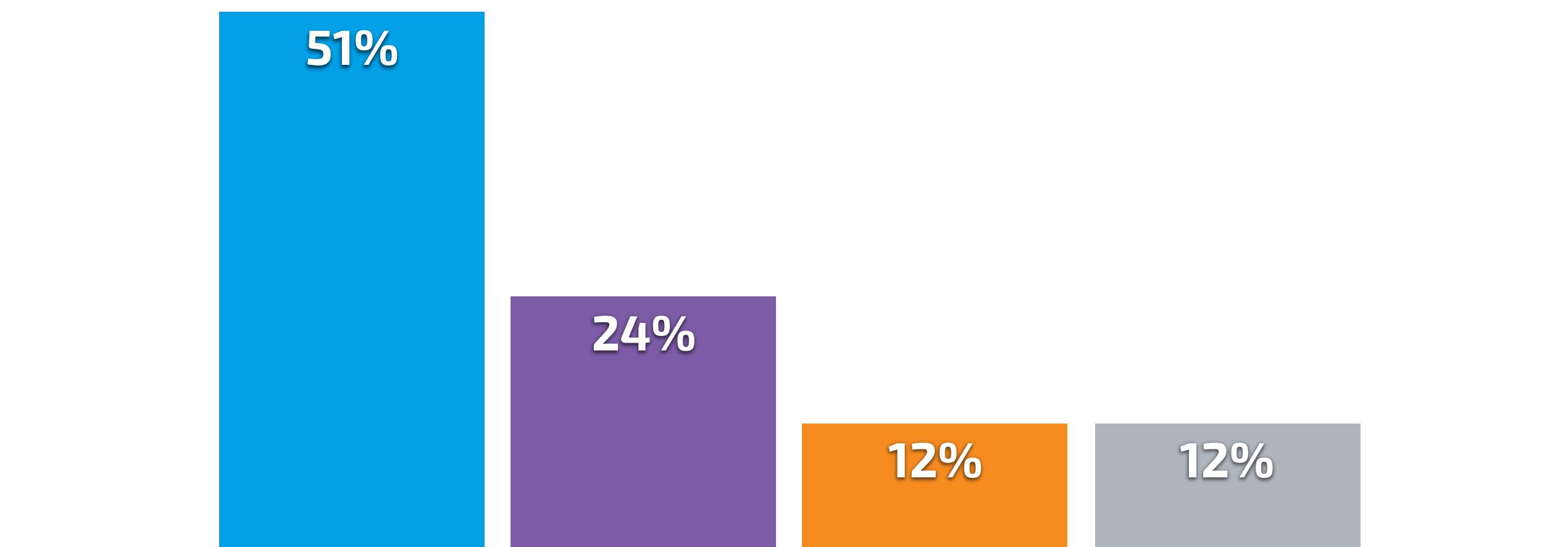
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Parent of Kid(s) <18	Not a Parent of Kid(s) <18
MORE CONFIDENT	23%	8%	15%	41%	30%	20%
LESS CONFIDENT	50%	77%	58%	21%	46%	52%
NO IMPACT / UNSURE	27%	16%	27%	38%	25%	28%



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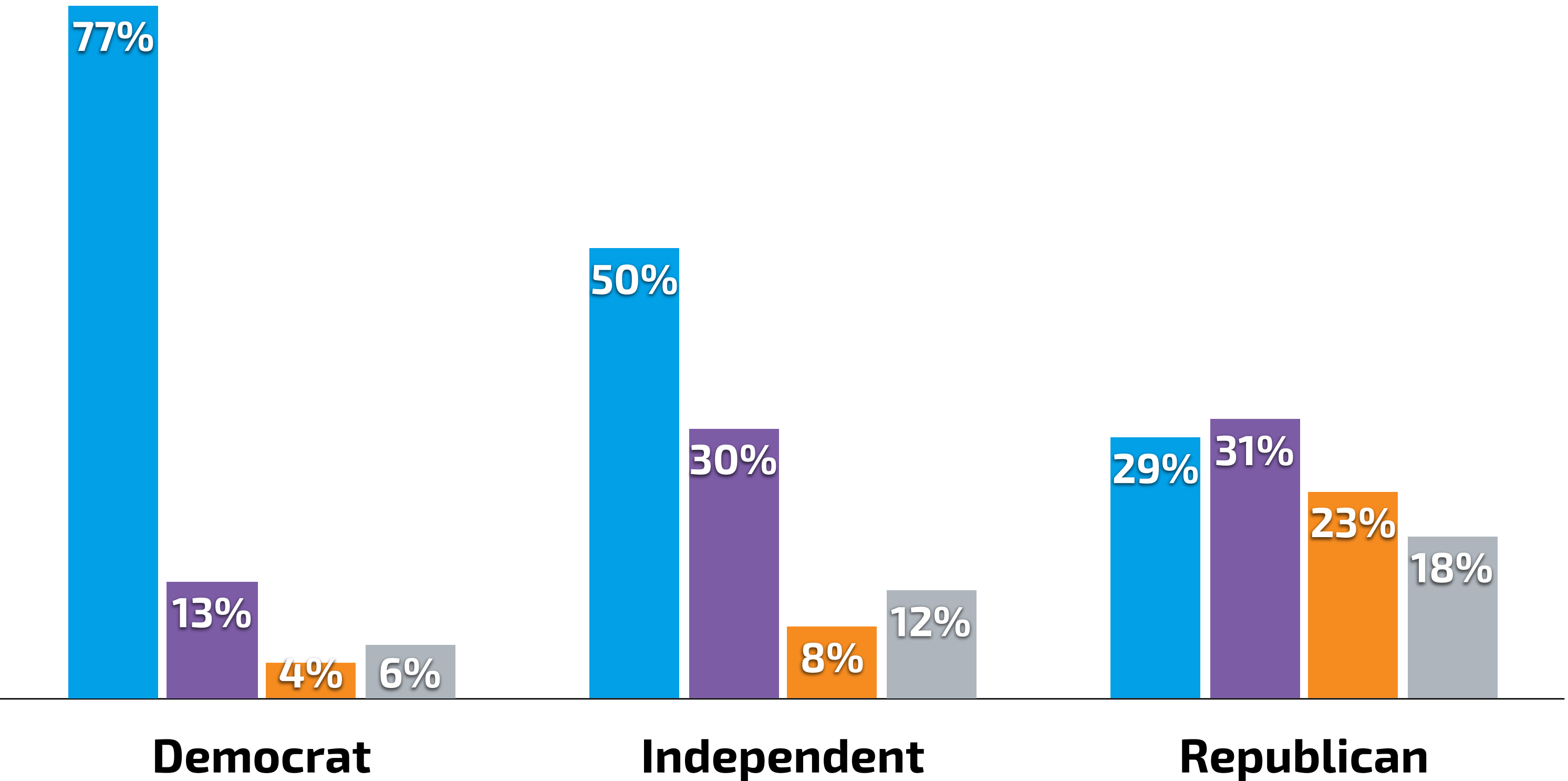
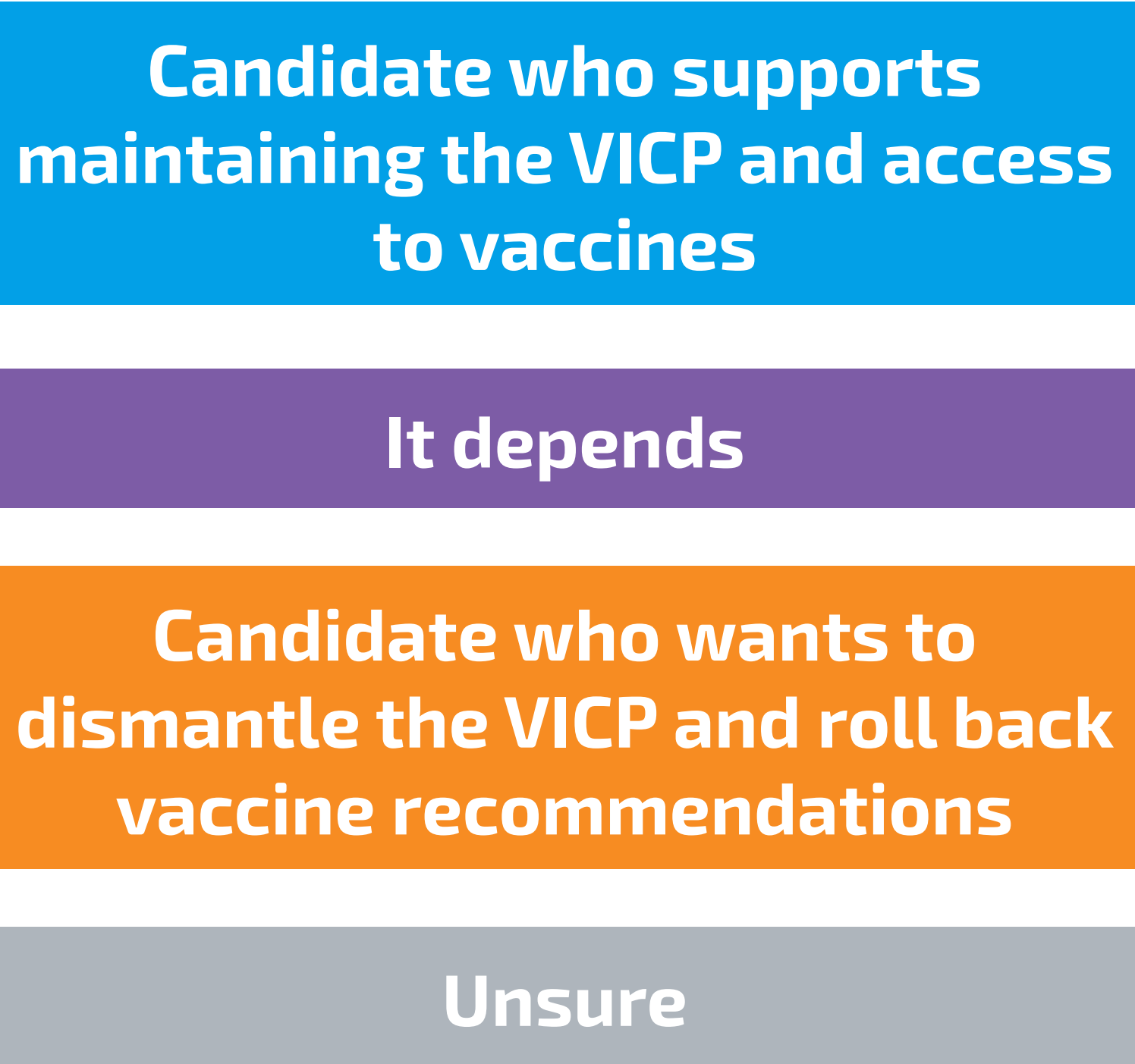
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Independents say they are more likely to vote for a candidate who supports maintaining the VICP and vaccine access

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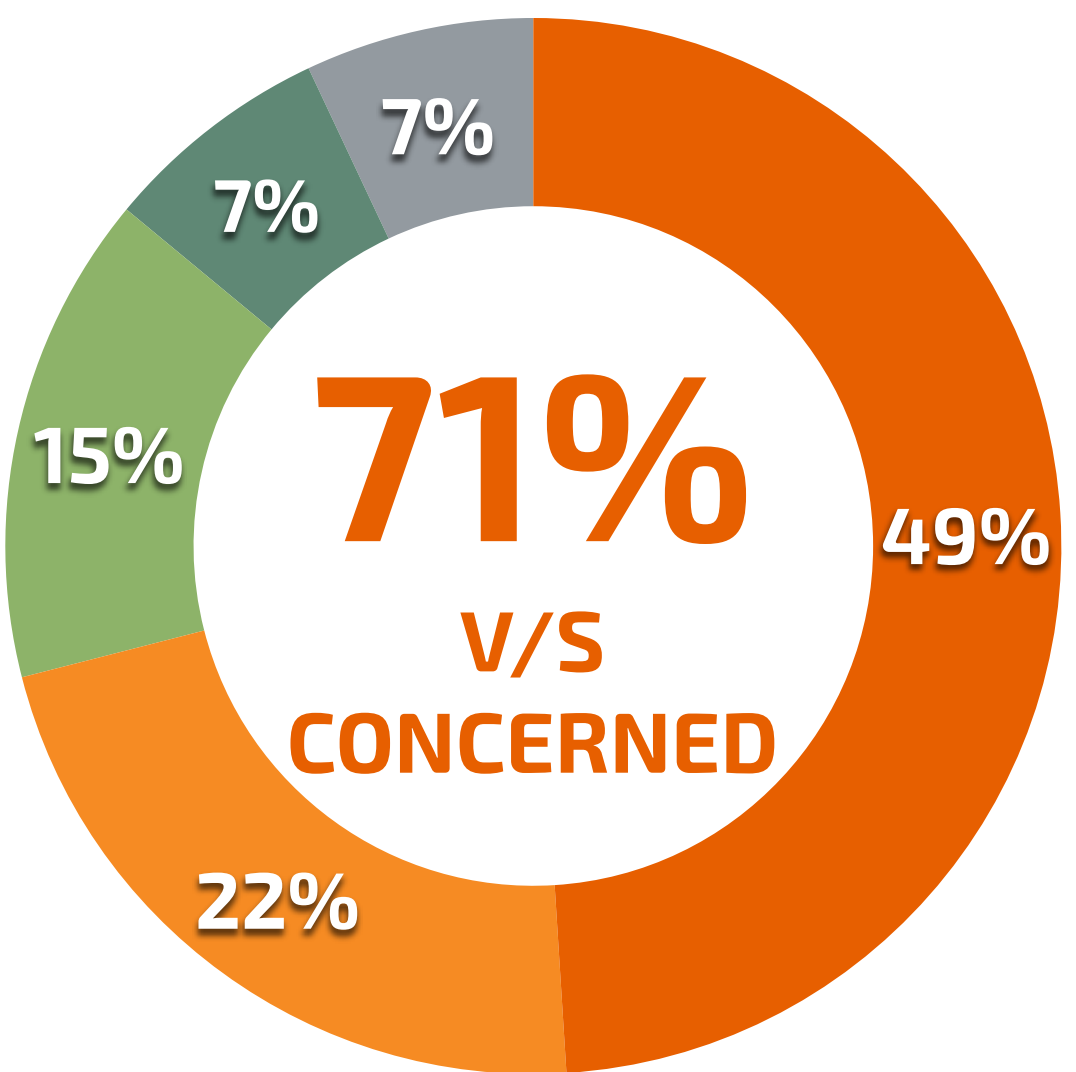
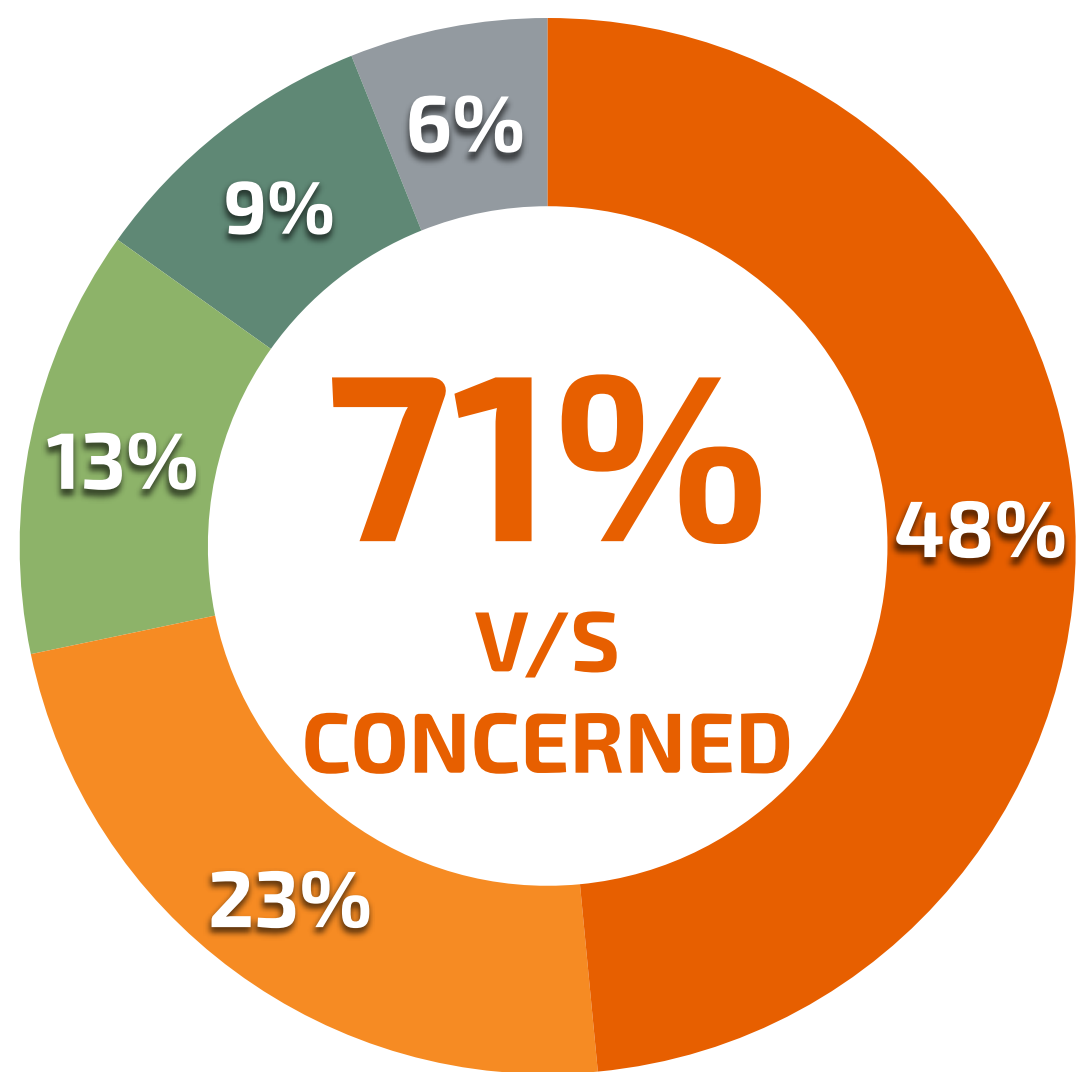
**Trust in RFK Jr. is vulnerable to
messaging.**



Most voters are concerned about RFK Jr.'s potential conflicts of interest in his role as the nation's top health official after learning about his financial ties

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● Very concerned ● Somewhat concerned ● Not too concerned ● Not at all concerned ● Unsure



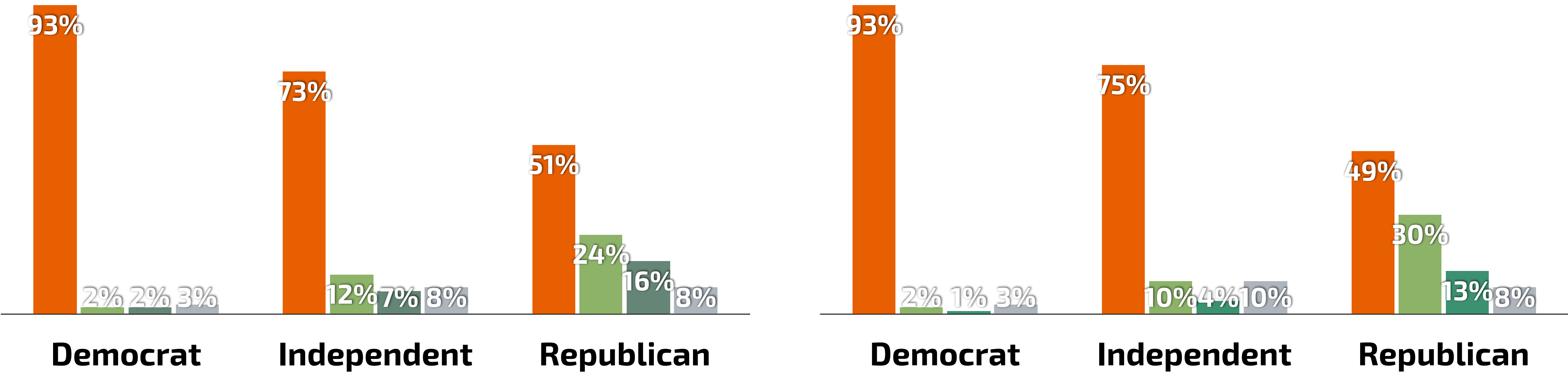
Q. Having heard this, how concerned, if at all, does this make you feel about Secretary Kennedy's potential conflicts of interest in his role as the nation's top health official?

Around 3-in-4 independents are concerned about RFK Jr.'s conflicts of interest

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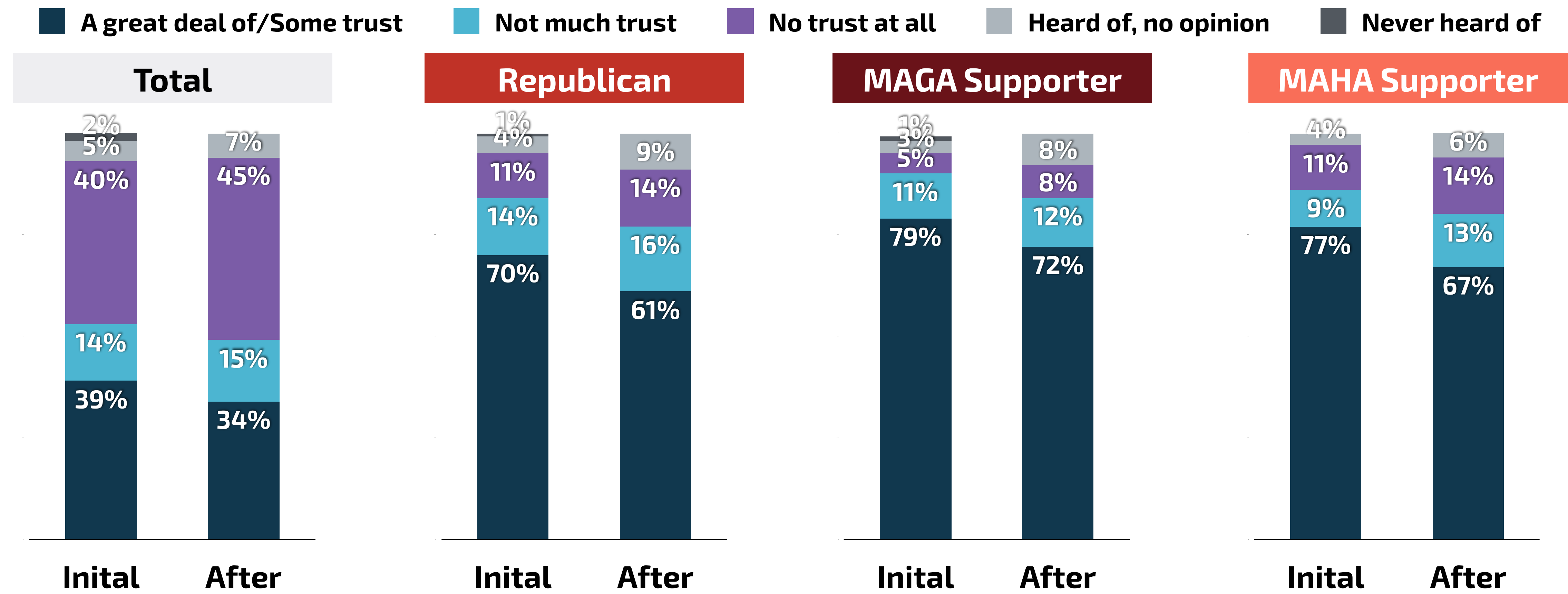
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Throughout the survey, trust in RFK Jr. dropped across his key constituencies



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-HHS Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr.

Q. Having heard more, how much trust do you have in HHS Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr. to provide accurate, science-based information about vaccines?

Methodology

Echelon Insights conducted a survey on behalf of the Taxpayers Protection Alliance to understand voter perceptions of vaccines. The survey was fielded online from June 10-12, 2026 in English among a sample of 1,009 voters in the likely electorate nationwide using non-probability sampling. The sample was drawn from the Lucid sample exchange based on demographic quota targets for registered voters in the likely electorate nationwide, and matched to the L2 voter file to verify respondents' voter registration status.

Measures taken to ensure data quality included measures to prevent duplicate responses, questions designed to disqualify inattentive respondents, and the removal of respondents from the data file who answered more than one-third of the questions they were asked in less than one-third of the median response time per question.

The sample was weighted to reflect modeled turnout and demographic characteristics of the population of voters in the 2026 likely electorate nationwide based on a probabilistic model that incorporates data from the US Census Bureau's American Community Survey and Current Population Survey Voting and Registration Supplement, as well as L2 voter file data. Weighting dimensions included gender, age, race/ethnicity, education, region, and turnout probability, as well as gender by age, race by education, and age by education. The sample was also weighted on party affiliation to reflect an even balance between Republican/Republican-leaning and Democratic/Democratic-leaning voters.

Calculated the way it would be for a random sample and adjusted to incorporate the effect of weighting, the margin of sampling error is ± 3.5 percentage points.





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