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Hispanic National Survey #2

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METHODOLOGY

Public Opinion Strategies is pleased to present the key findings of a survey conducted nationwide. The survey was completed May 2-7, 2024, among 1,200 Hispanic voters, and has a credibility interval of <u>+</u>3.23%.

Additionally, an oversample of 674 interviews was conducted for a total of 1,555 Hispanic voters in targeted states, with a credibility interval of <u>+</u>2.83%. Interviews were conducted via online and text-to-web.

Jim Hobart was the primary researcher on this project. Torie Bolger was the project director and Colin McInroe provided analytical support.



Tier 1 target states: Arizona, California, Florida, Michigan, Nevada, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin and Texas.

Tier 2 target states: Colorado, Georgia, New Mexico, Ohio, Virginia and Washington.

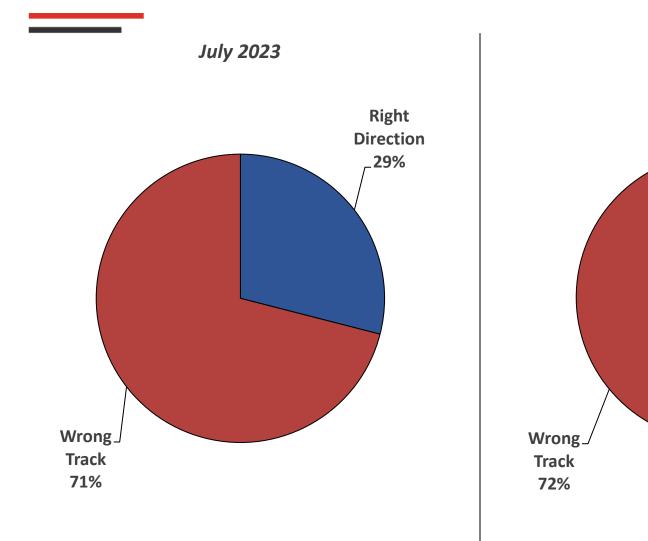




Political Environment

Hispanic voters are still overwhelmingly pessimistic about the country's direction.

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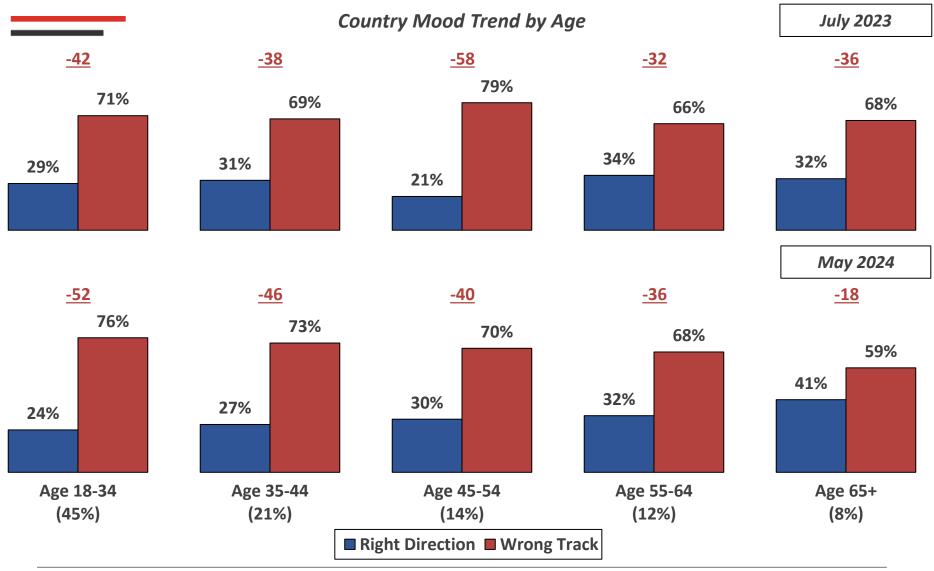
"Generally speaking, would you say that things in the country are going in the right direction, or have they pretty seriously gotten off on the wrong track?"

Right

Direction

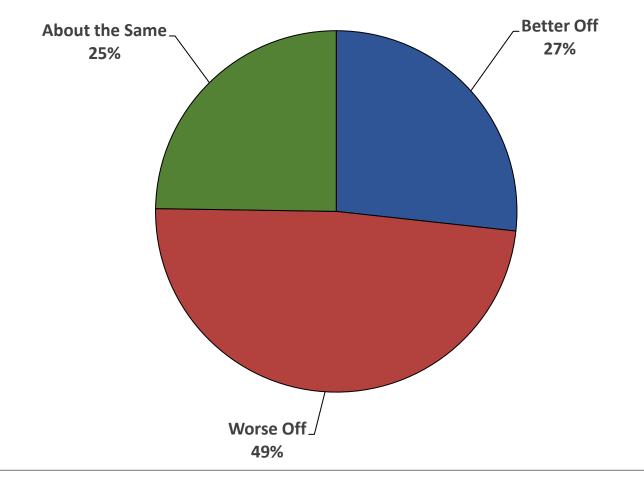
28%

Seniors are less pessimistic, while young voters are slightly more pessimistic since the last survey.



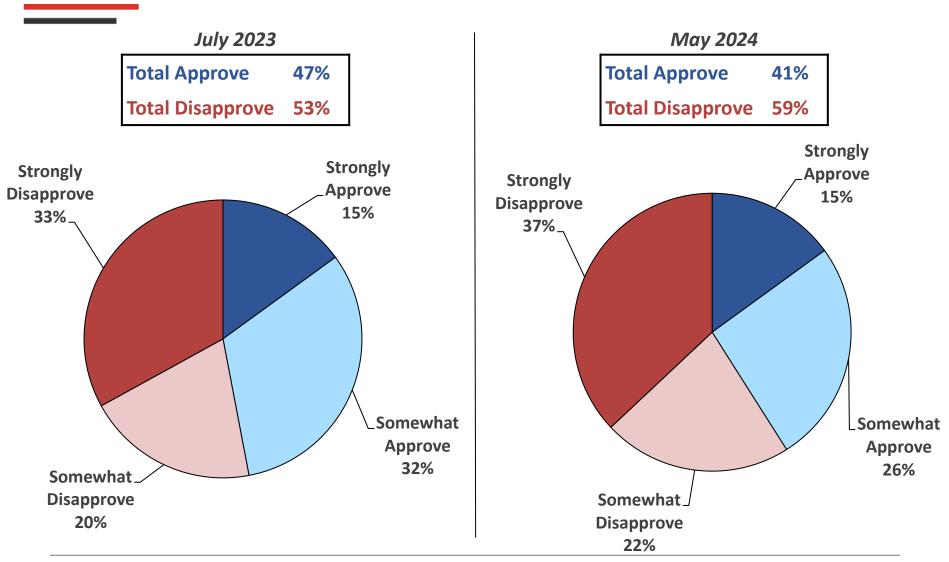


Half of Hispanic voters say they are worse off than four years ago. Only 27% say they are better off.



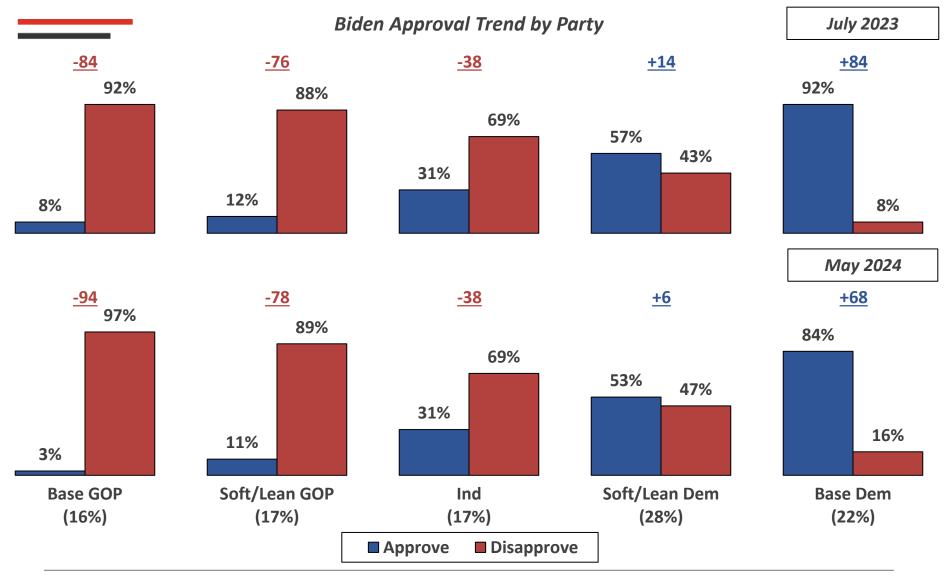


Biden's approval numbers have slipped since July of last year.



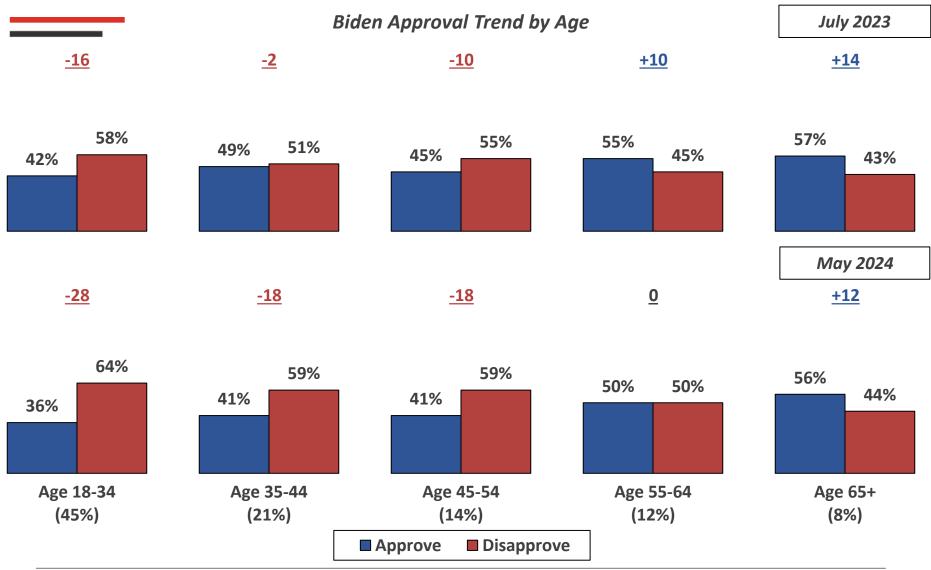


Biden has lost ground among both parties.



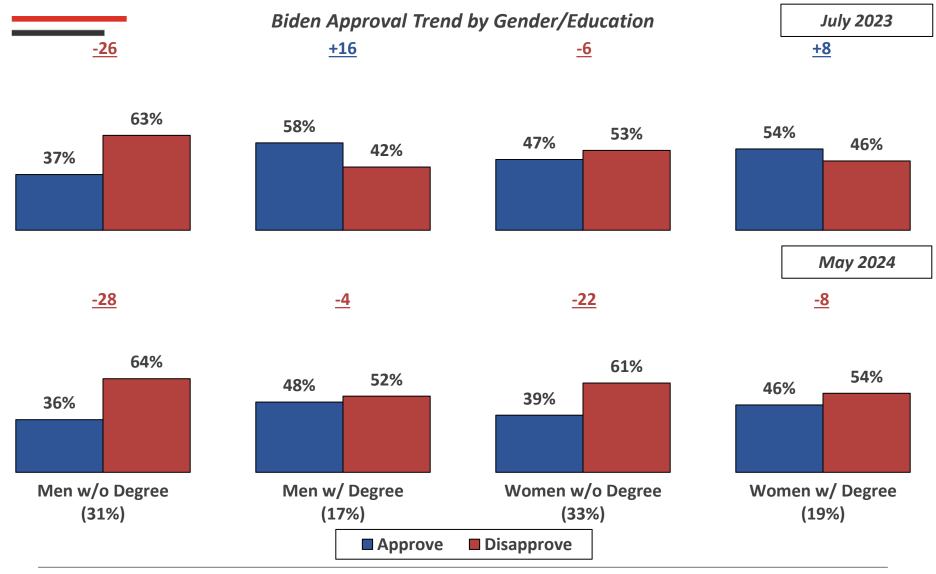


Biden is even more unpopular among younger voters since the last survey.



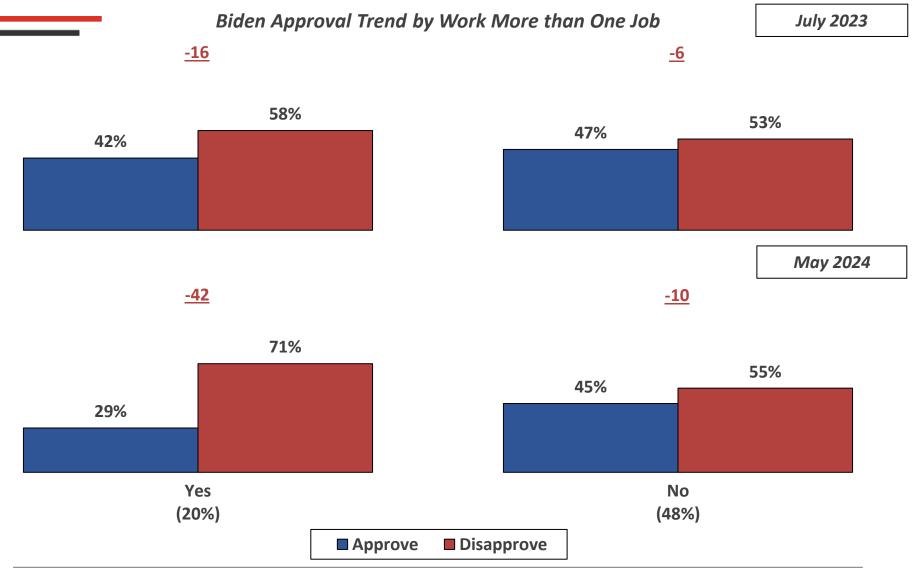


Biden is now underwater among voters with degrees.



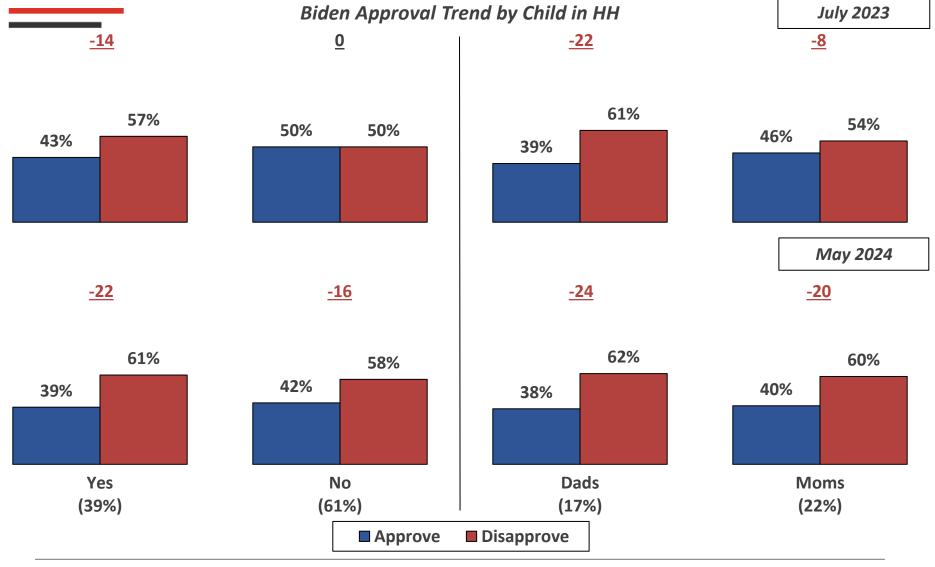


Biden's approval has collapsed among voters working more than one job.



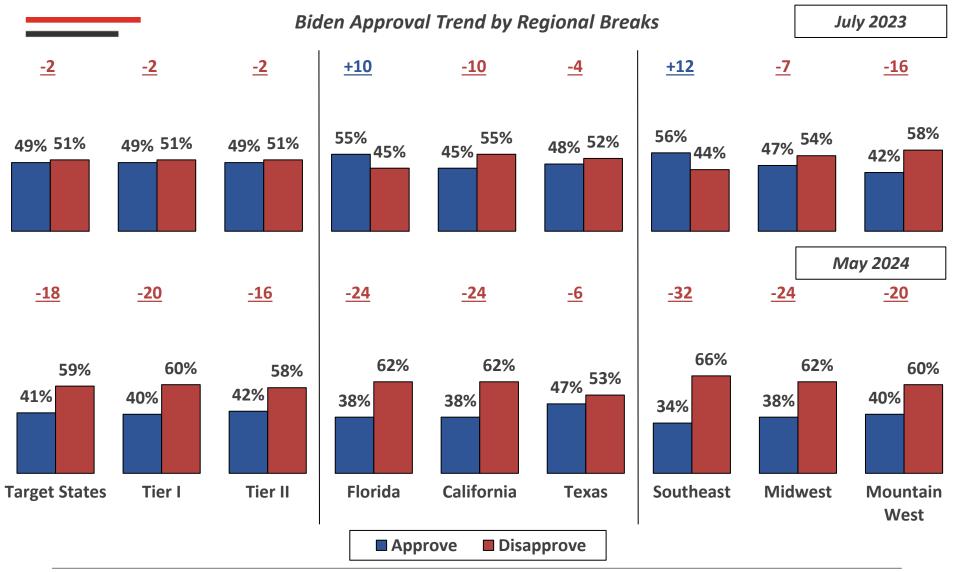


Voters with no children in the household now disapprove of Biden



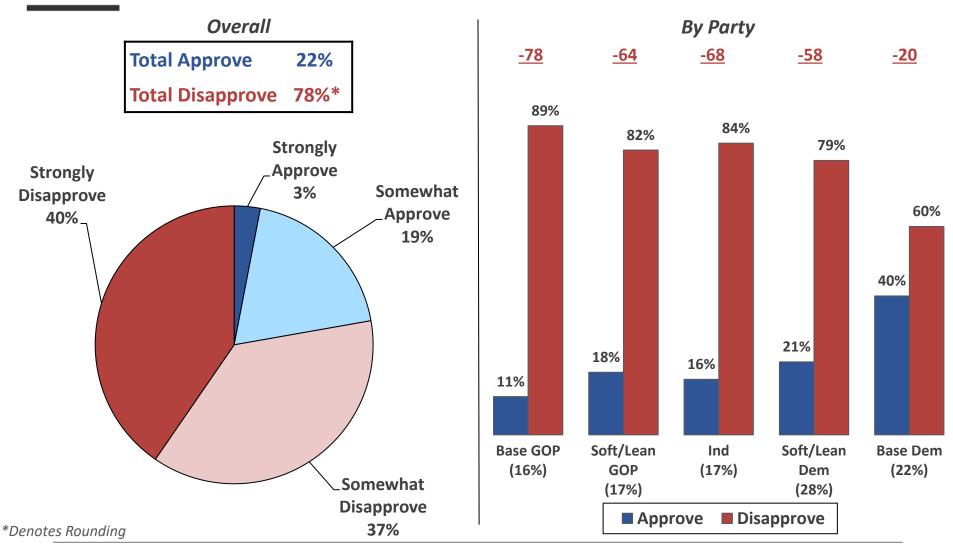


Biden's numbers are much worse across target regions compared to last survey.





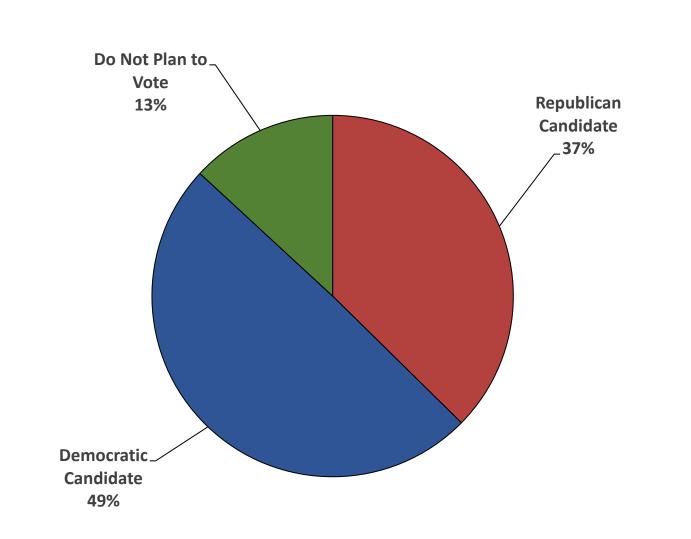
Voters across party lines disapprove of the job Congress is doing. Surprisingly, base Democrats are most likely to approve.





"And, do you approve or disapprove of the job Congress is doing?"

Just under 50% of voters back the Democrat on the generic ballot.

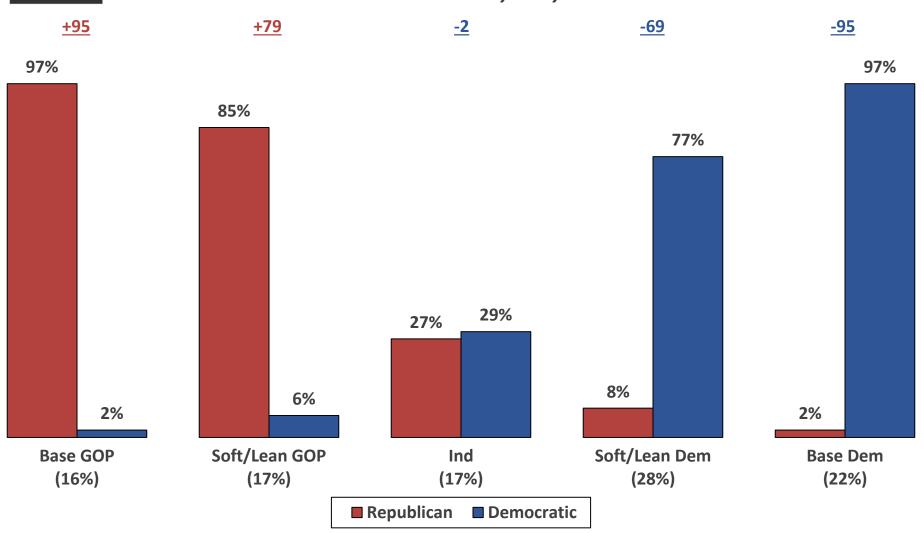




"Moving on... If the 2024 elections were being held today, would you be more likely to vote for... The Republican Candidate ...or... The Democratic Candidate ...for U.S. Congress?"

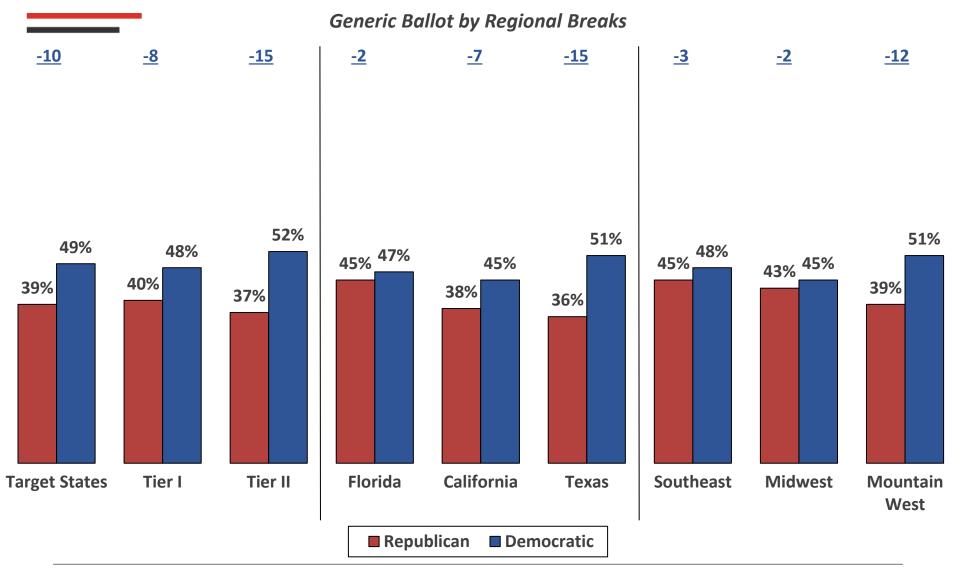
A plurality of Independents are not currently planning on voting.

Generic Ballot by Party





The generic Republican is within five points of the Democrat in the Southeast, the Midwest, and in Florida.

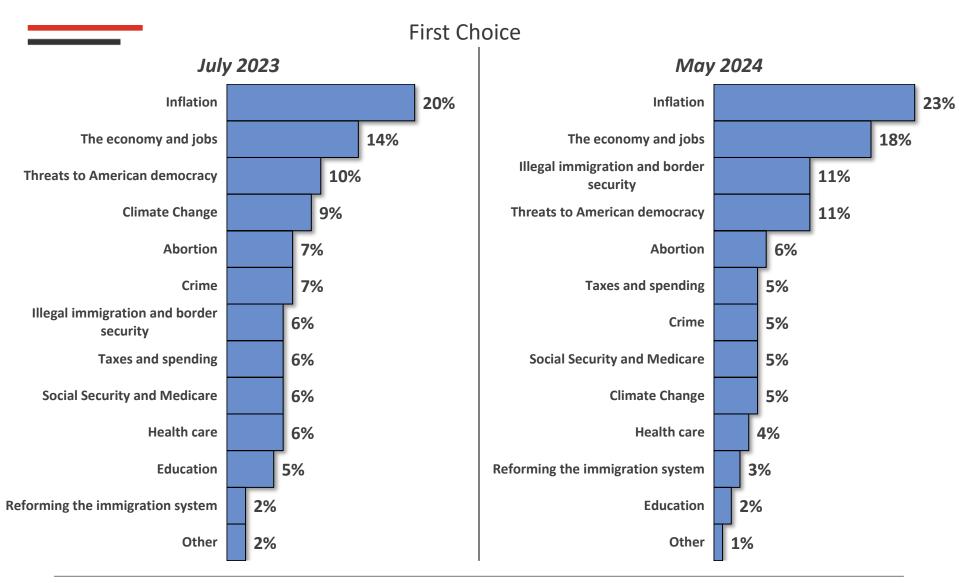








Inflation and the economy are still the two most important issues to voters. Illegal immigration and border security has surged to third place.





Swing Hispanics are most focused on inflation.

Top Issues by Party						
Base GOP (16%)	Soft/Lean GOP (17%)	Ind (17%)	Soft/Lean Dem (28%)	Base Dem (22%)		
Illegal immigration and border security (27%)	Inflation (24%)	Inflation (28%)	Inflation (25%)	The economy and jobs (18%)		
Inflation (24%)	Illegal immigration and border security (23%)	The economy and jobs (16%)	The economy and jobs (19%)	Threats to American democracy (17%)		
The economy and jobs (16%)	The economy and jobs (22%)	Threats to American democracy (8%)	Threats to American democracy (15%)	Inflation (15%)		
Threats to American democracy (7%)	Taxes and spending (8%)	Illegal immigration and border security (7%)	Abortion (9%)	Climate Change (10%)		

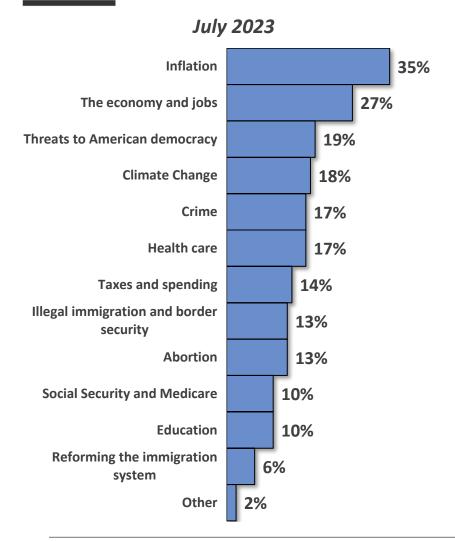


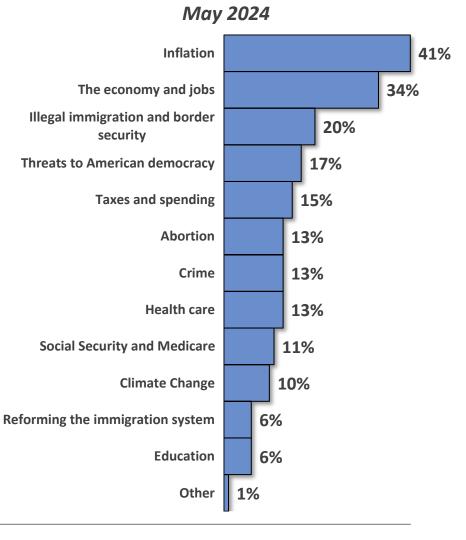
Older voters are most concerned about illegal immigration and threats to American democracy.

Top Issues by Age						
Age 18-34	Age 35-44	Age 45-54	Age 55-64	Age 65+		
(45%)	(21%)	(14%)	(12%)	(8%)		
Inflation (23%)	Inflation (33%)	Inflation (23%)	Illegal immigration and border security (21%)	Illegal immigration and border security (21%)		
The economy	The economy	The economy	Threats to American	Threats to American		
and jobs	and jobs	and jobs	democracy	democracy		
(21%)	(18%)	(16%)	(19%)	(19%)		
Illegal immigration	Threats to American	Illegal immigration	Social Security	Social Security		
and border security	democracy	and border security	and Medicare	and Medicare		
(8%)	(9%)	(15%)	(17%)	(15%)		
Taxes and spending (7%)	Abortion (6%)	Threats to American democracy (14%)	The economy and jobs (15%)	The economy and jobs (12%)		



On the combined choice, voters are even more concerned about inflation and the economy than last survey. Illegal immigration and border security has leapfrogged into third place. Combined Choices







Inflation is the top issue for all but base GOPers and it is a close second with them.

Top Combined Issues by Party

Base GOP (16%)	Soft/Lean GOP (17%)	Ind (17%)	Soft/Lean Dem (28%)	Base Dem (22%)	
Illegal immigration and border security (47%)	Inflation (44%)	Inflation (45%)	Inflation (42%)	Inflation (32%)	
Inflation (44%)	The economy and jobs (39%)	The economy and jobs (33%)	The economy and jobs (35%)	The economy and jobs (32%)	
The economy and jobs (30%)	Illegal immigration and border security (34%)	Health care (19%)	Threats to American democracy (21%)	Threats to American democracy (23%)	
Taxes and spending (18%)	Taxes and spending (19%)	Taxes and spending (18%)	Abortion (17%)	Abortion (20%)	



Notably, seniors are not as concerned about inflation.

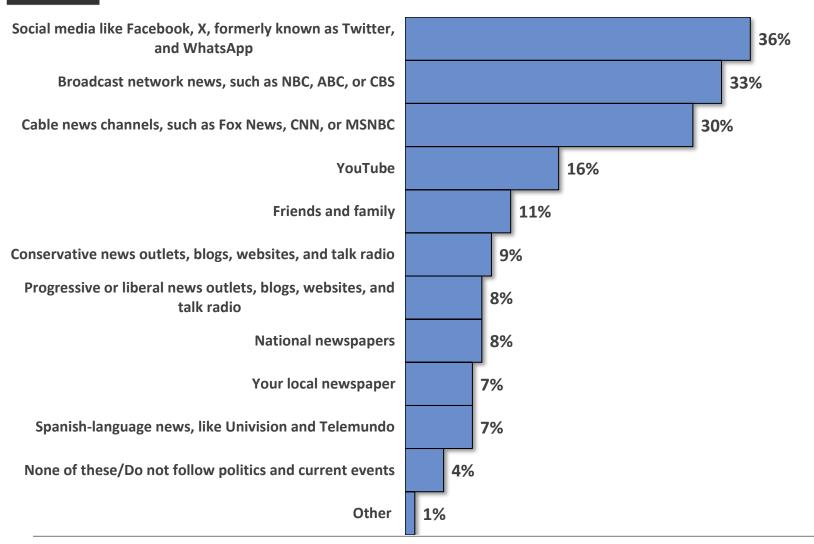
Top Combined Issues by Age						
Age 18-34 (45%)	Age 35-44 (21%)	Age 45-54 (14%)	Age 55-64 (12%)	Age 65+ (8%)		
Inflation (40%)	Inflation (50%)	Inflation (42%)	Inflation (36%)	Threats to American democracy (28%)		
The economy and jobs (40%)	The economy and jobs (35%)	Illegal immigration and border security (28%)	Illegal immigration and border security (34%)	Illegal immigration and border security (27%)		
Taxes and spending (16%)	Illegal immigration and border security (17%)	The economy and jobs (27%)	Threats to American democracy (31%)	Social Security and Medicare (26%)		
Health care (16%)	Taxes and spending (15%)	Threats to American democracy (23%)	Social Security and Medicare (29%)	The economy and jobs (25%)		





News Consumption

A plurality of Hispanic voters get their news from social media. Broadcast and cable are not far behind.



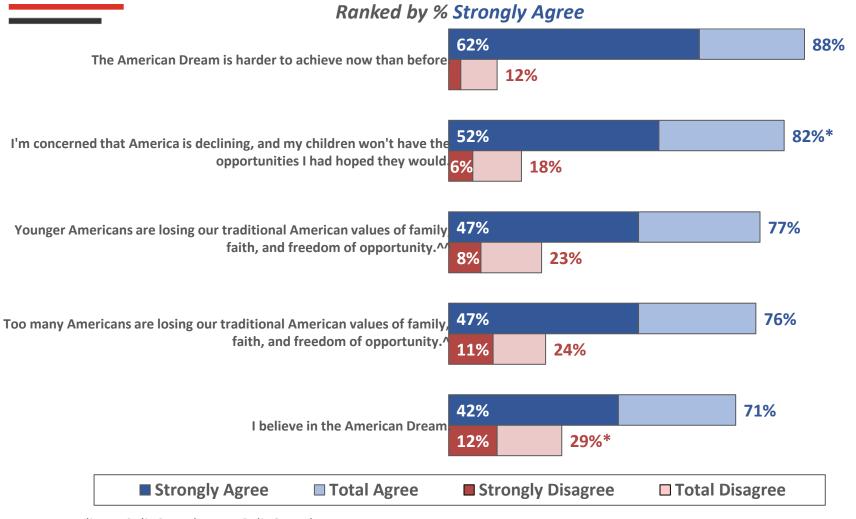


"From which ONE or TWO of the following news sources, if any, do you get most of your information about politics and current events?"



The American Dream

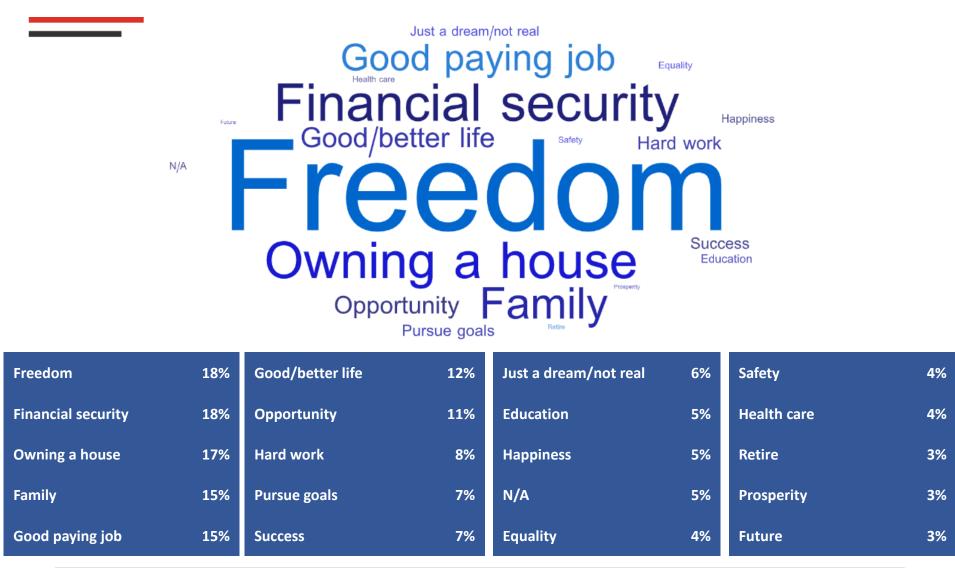
Hispanic voters believe the American Dream is harder to achieve, and that America is declining. However, most still believe in the American Dream.



*Denotes Rounding; ^Split Sample A, ^^Split Sample B.

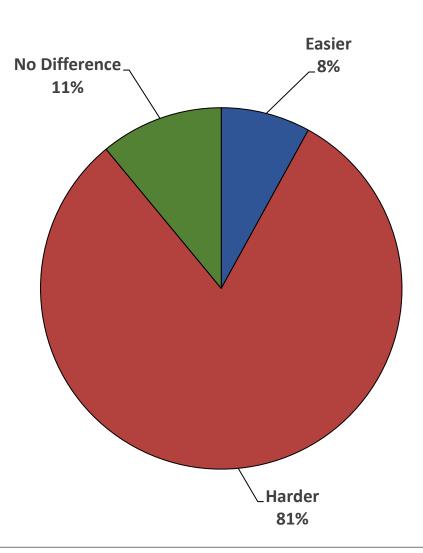


"Now, please read the following statements about the country. After you read each one, please indicate if you agree or disagree with that statement." Hispanics largely view the American Dream in terms of freedom and financial well-being.



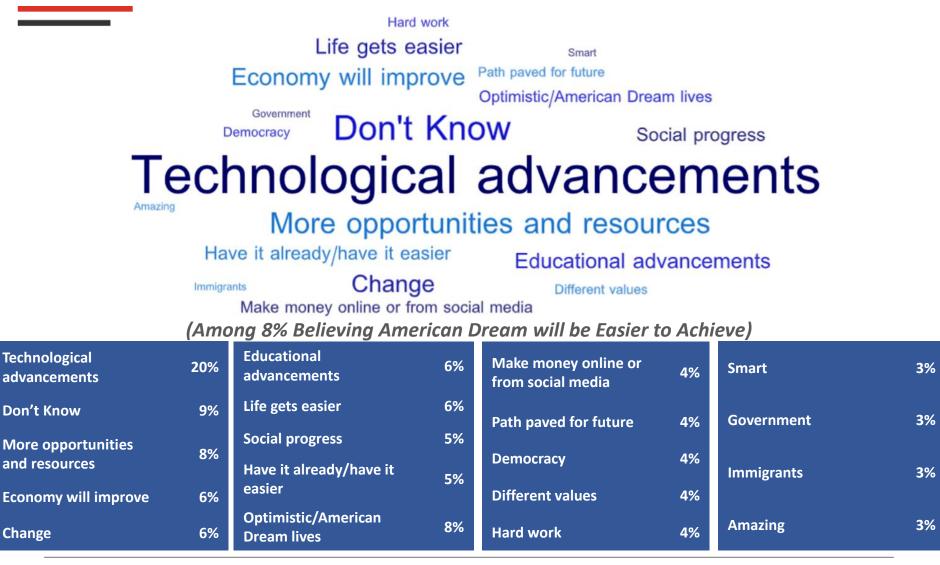


"And, thinking some more about the American Dream, what would you say that the American Dream means to you?" Four-in-five Hispanic voters think the American Dream will be harder for the next generation to achieve.





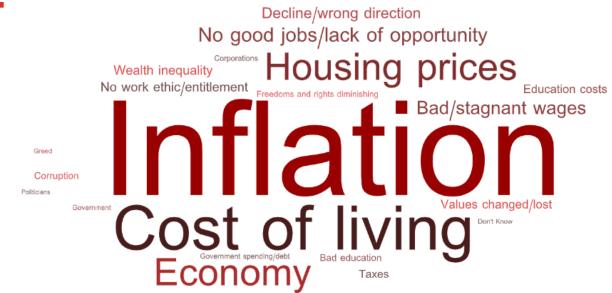
"Thinking about the next generation, do you think it will be easier or harder for them to achieve the American dream?" Voters who believe the American Dream will be easier to achieve, do so because of technological advancements.





"Why do you think the American Dream will be easier to achieve for the next generation?"

Voters pessimistic about the future of the American Dream are worried about inflation and the cost of living.



Life is harder

(Among 81% Believing American Dream will be Harder to Achieve)

Inflation	19%	Decline/wrong direction	5%	Тахез	4%	Government spending/debt	3%
Cost of living	13%	No work ethic/ entitlement	4%	Bad education	3%	Government	3%
Housing prices	8%	Wealth inequality	4%	Corruption	3%	Don't Know	3%
Economy No good jobs/	8%	Life is harder	4%	Freedom and rights	3%		
lack of opportunity	6%	Values changed/lost	4%	diminishing	5%	Greed	3%
Bad/stagnant wages	5%	Education costs	4%	Corporations	3%	Politicians	3%

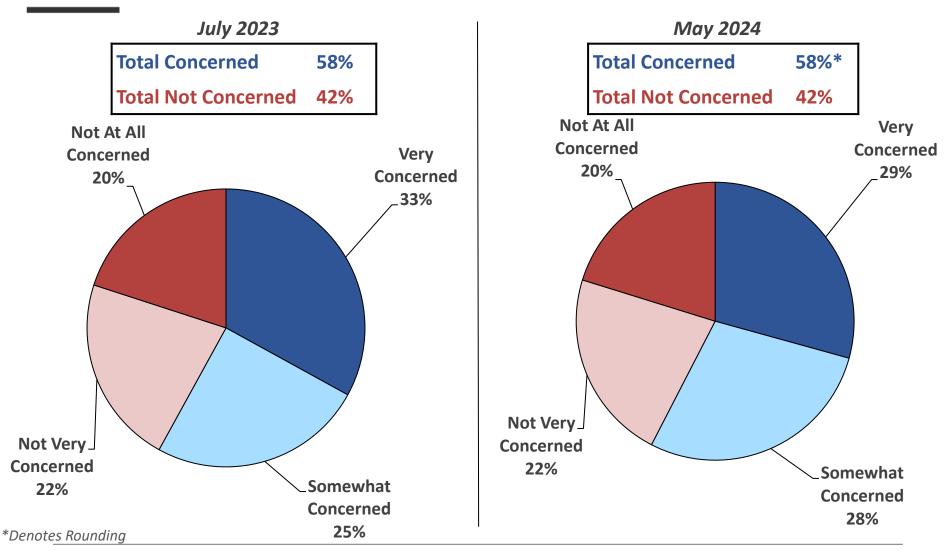


"Why do you think the American Dream will be harder to achieve for the next generation?"



Socialism

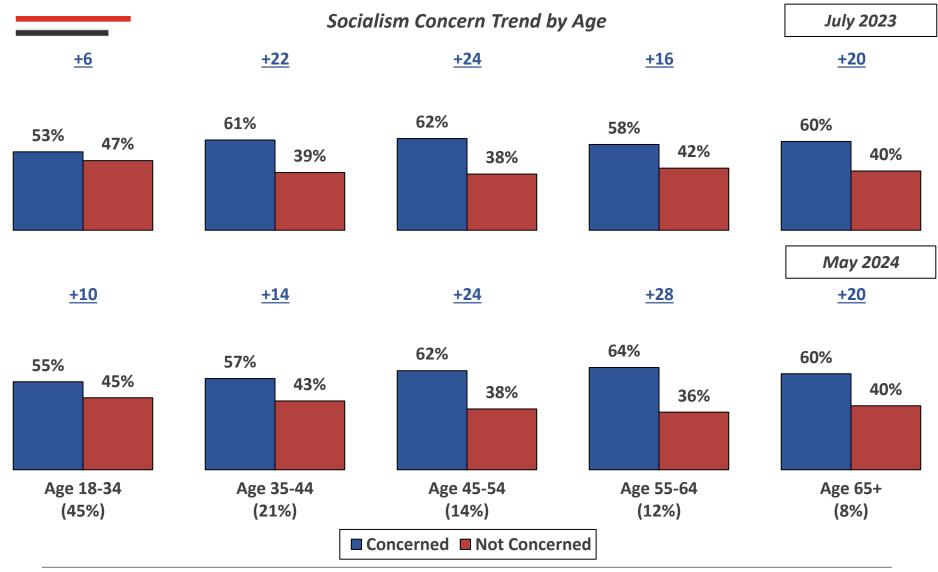
Compared to last year, an equal number of voters are concerned about the increase of socialism. However, intensity has decreased slightly.





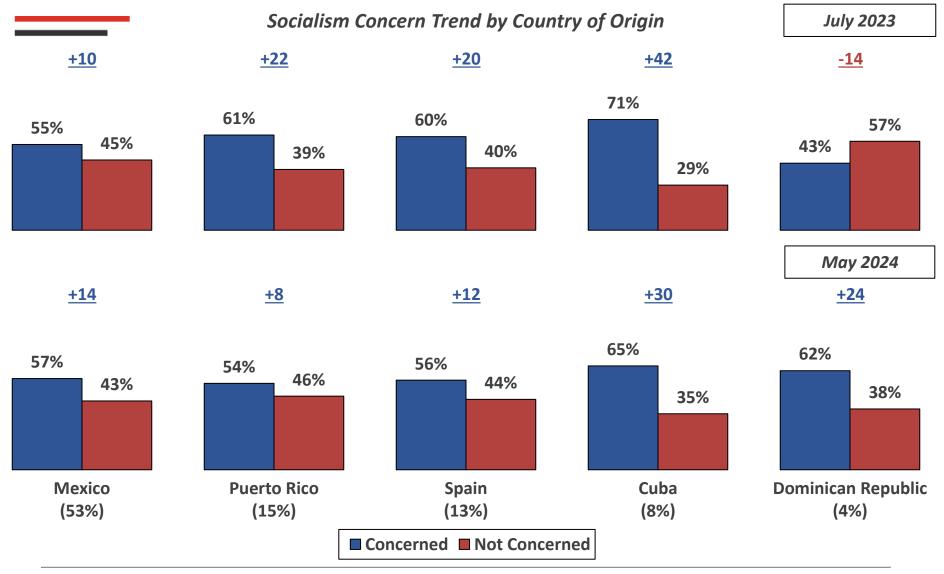
"How concerned are you that socialism is increasing in the United States? Are you..."

Voters of all ages are concerned about socialism; older and middle-aged voters are the most concerned.





Hispanics with Cuban heritage are most concerned about socialism.

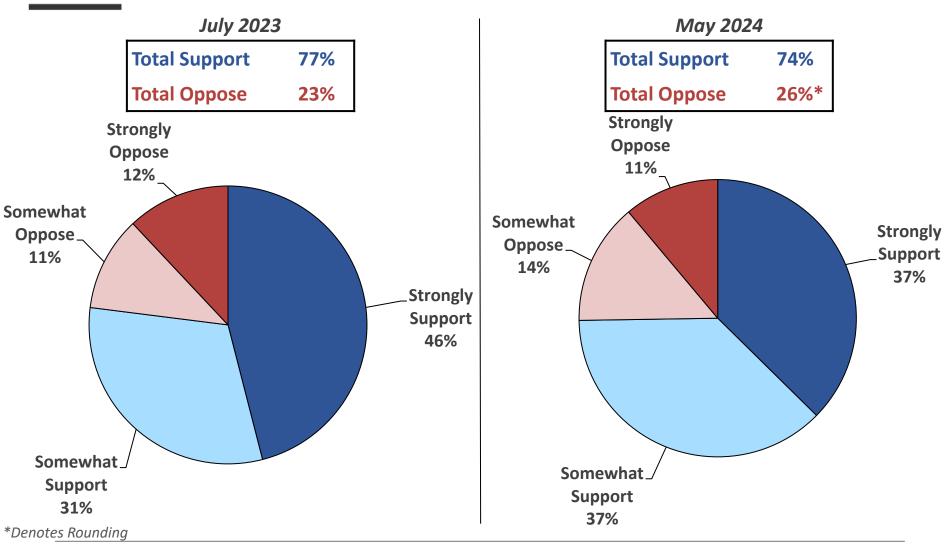






Education

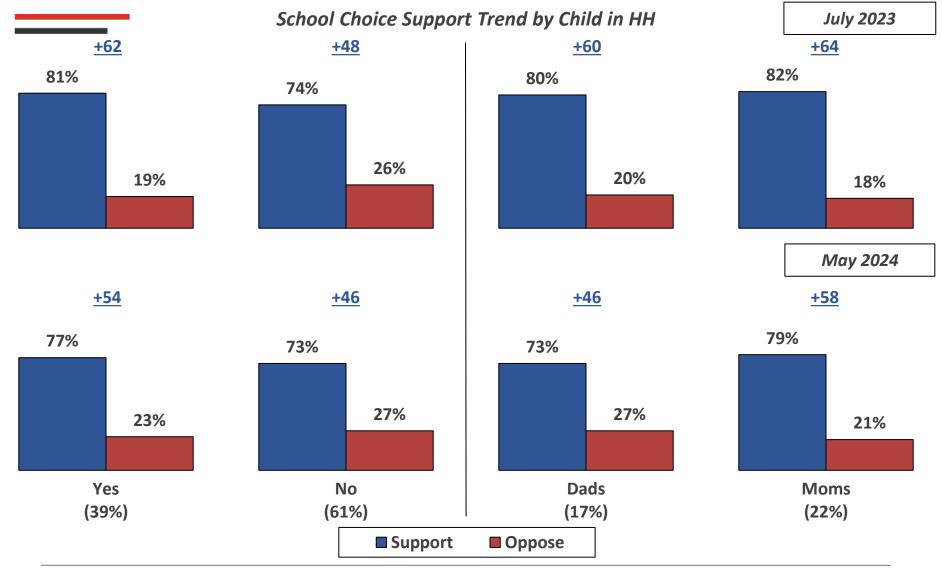
Three-quarters of Hispanic voters support school choice. Intensity has dropped by nine points since last survey.





"Do you support or oppose school choice that allows parents to send their children to any public, charter, or private school and allows state funding to follow the student?"

Support for school choice is strong among parents and nonparents.





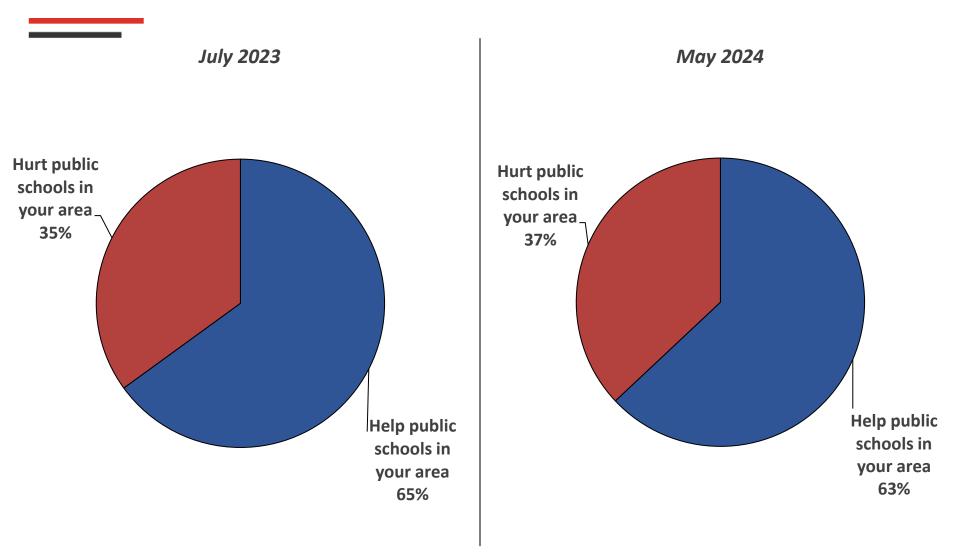
44% of voters would send their child to the public school in the district where they live. Just under 30% would choose to send their child to a private school.

The public school in the district where you live	44%
A private school	29%
A public school in a different school district than where you live	18%
A Charter school	14%
A Religious School	14%
Home School	14%



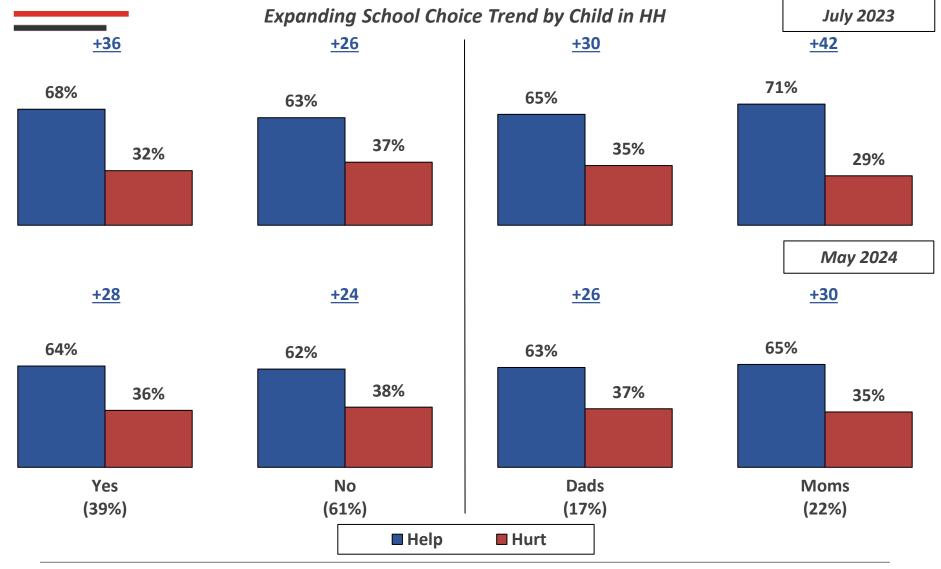
"And, if school choice was passed in your state, would you choose to send your child to..."

Voters overwhelmingly believe expanding school choice would help public schools.



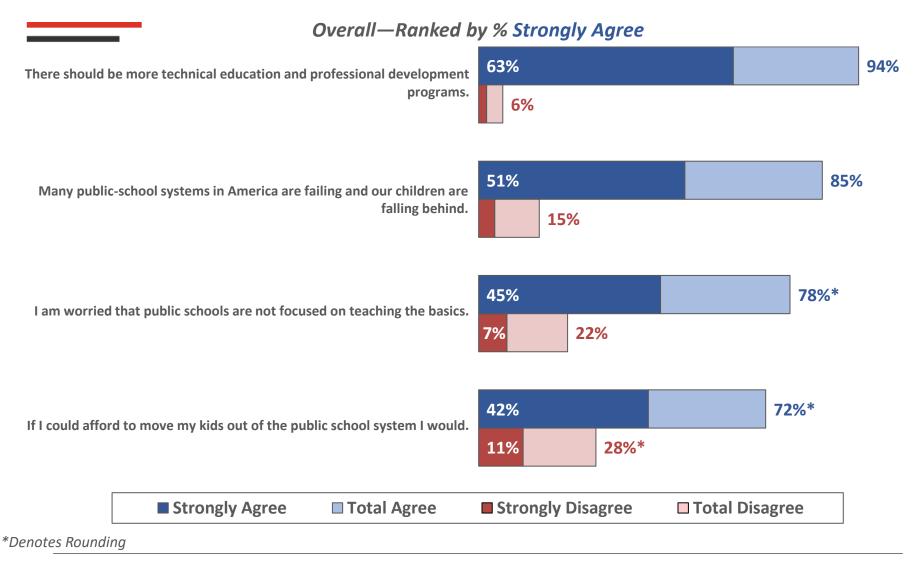


Both those with and without children in their household think expanding school choice would improve schools.



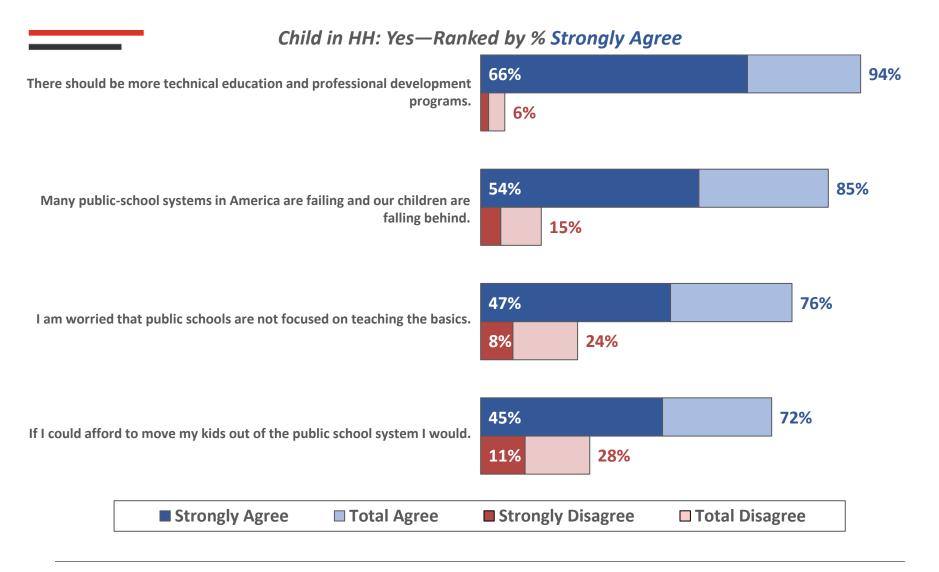


Voters are not satisfied with the state of the public school system. They also believe there should be more technical education.





Voters with children in their household identify with all these statements. Expanding technical education and professional development is particularly popular.

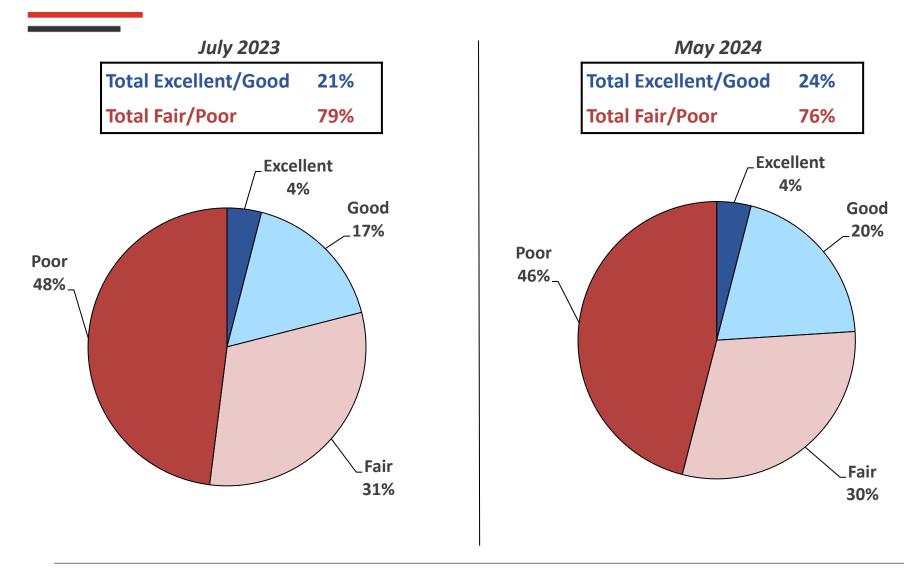






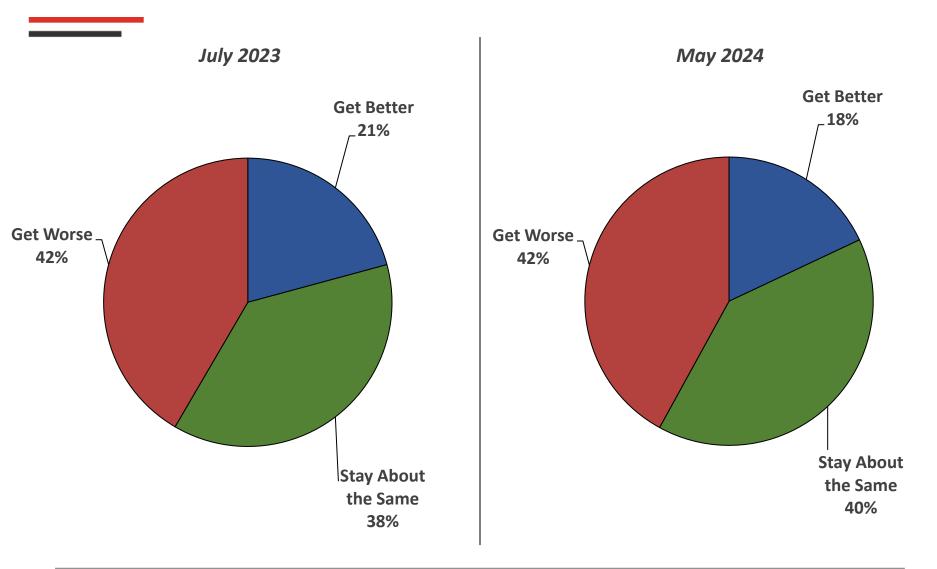
The Economy

Voters are not happy with the state of the economy.





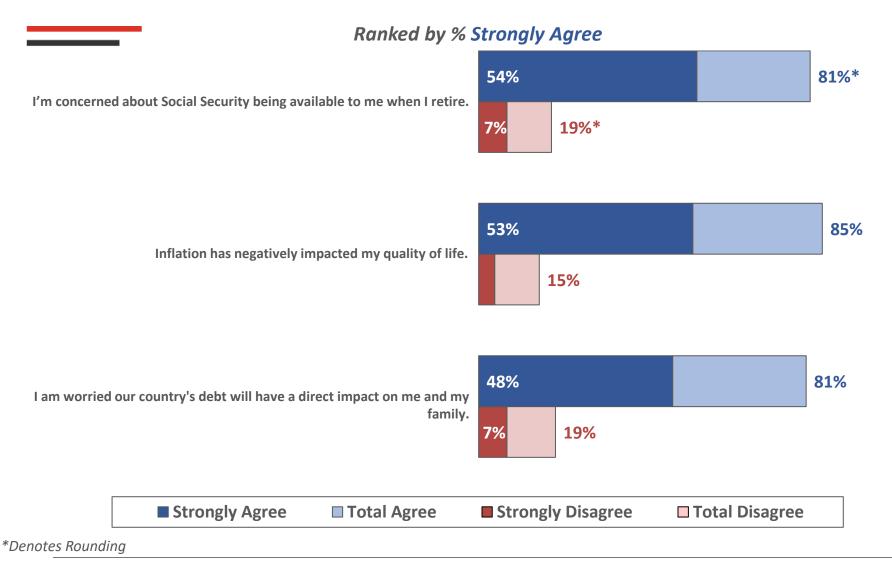
Hispanic voters are not optimistic about the future of the economy.





"And over the course of the next year, do you think the state of the economy will..."

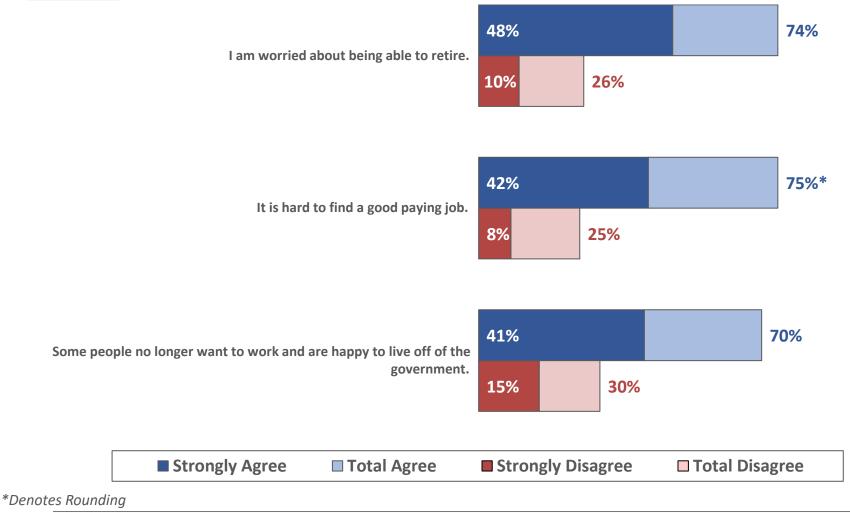
Voters are concerned about Social Security and inflation.





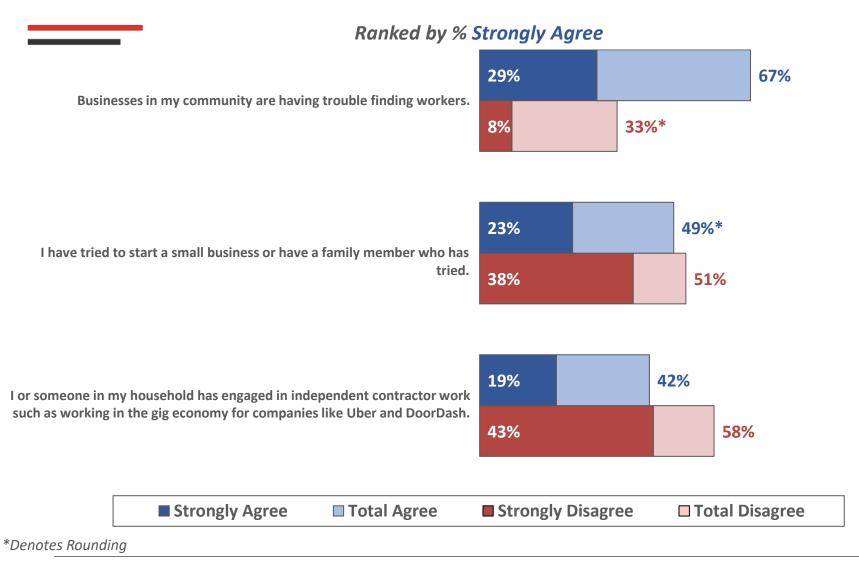
Hispanic voters are concerned about their retirement and finding a good paying job.

Ranked by % Strongly Agree



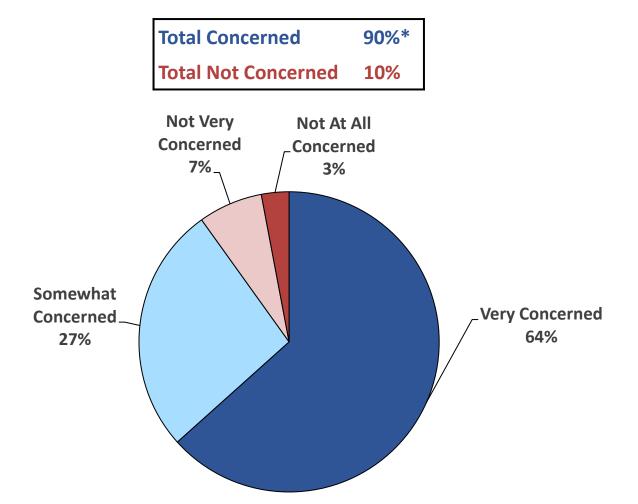


Voters are less likely to identify with these statements.





Nine-in-ten voters would be concerned by a tax increase. Two-thirds would be very concerned by this.



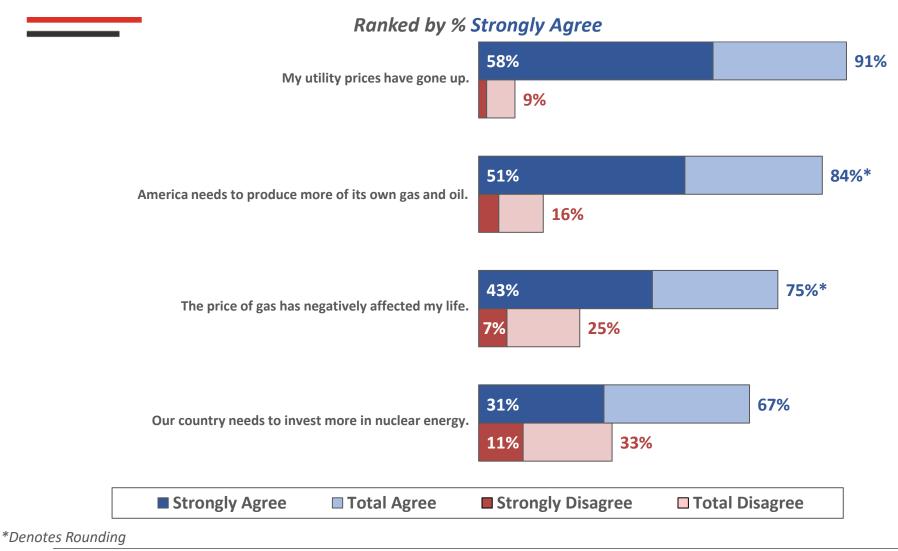
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Hispanic voters have had their utility prices go up and believe America needs to produce more gas and oil.

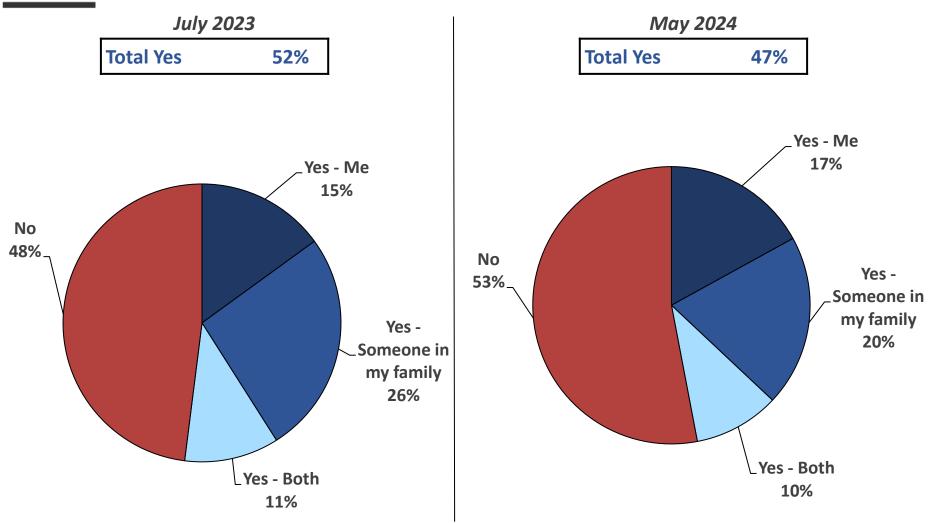






Health Care

Just under half of Hispanic voters either have or have a family member with a pre-existing condition.



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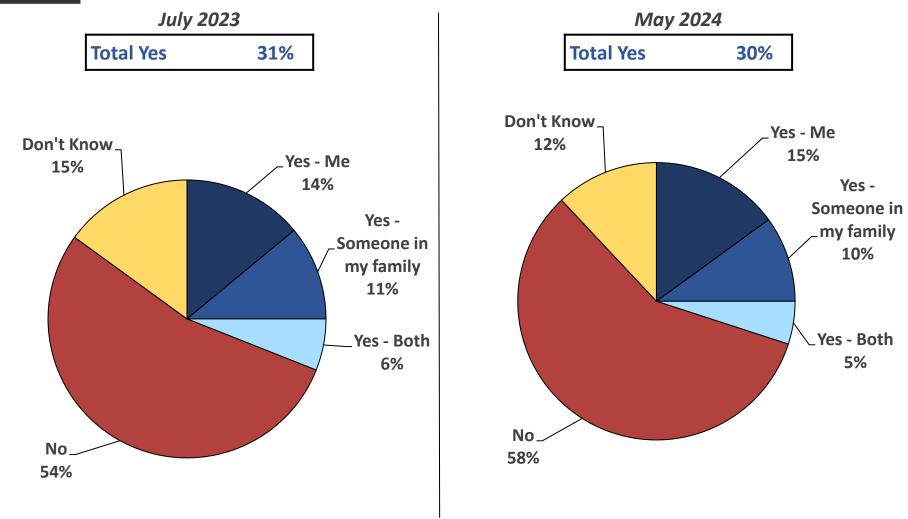
Health Savings Accounts

"A Health Savings Account (HSA) is a type of savings account for medical expenses, sort of like a 401(k). Money put into an HSA is tax free if used for a qualified medical expense, like a prescription or a medical procedure. Money in an HSA that is not used at the end of the year is rolled over to the next year and can be saved or invested to cover future medical expenses.

Do you or someone in your family have a Health Savings Account, or HSA?"



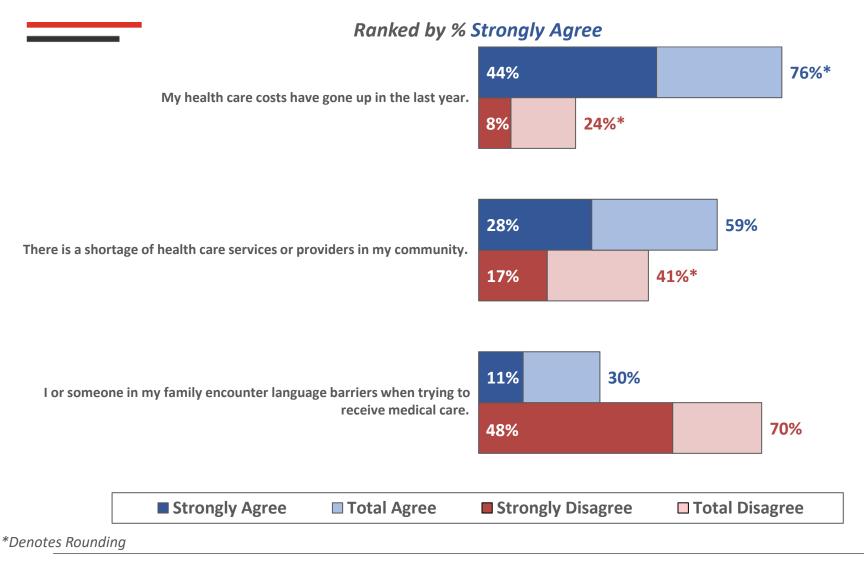
Only 30% of voters either have or have someone in their family with a Health Savings Account.



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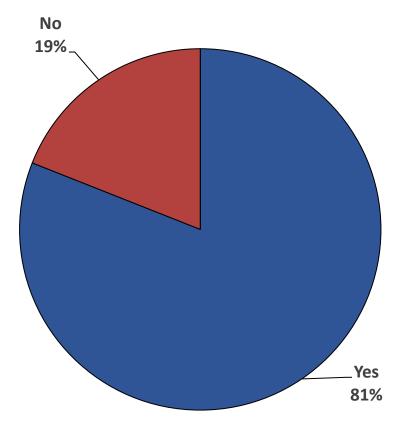


Hispanic voters have had their health care costs increase.





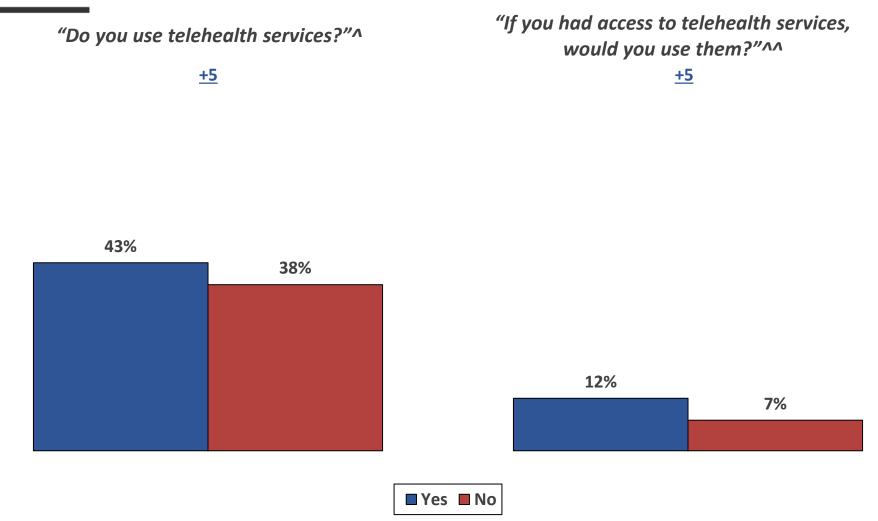
Four-in-five Hispanic voters have access to telehealth services.





"Do you have access to telehealth services, which allow people to have medical appointments by phone or by video?"

A majority of voters either use or would use telehealth.



^Among 81% with access to telehealth services; ^^Among 19% without access to telehealth services; Results shown off total base.

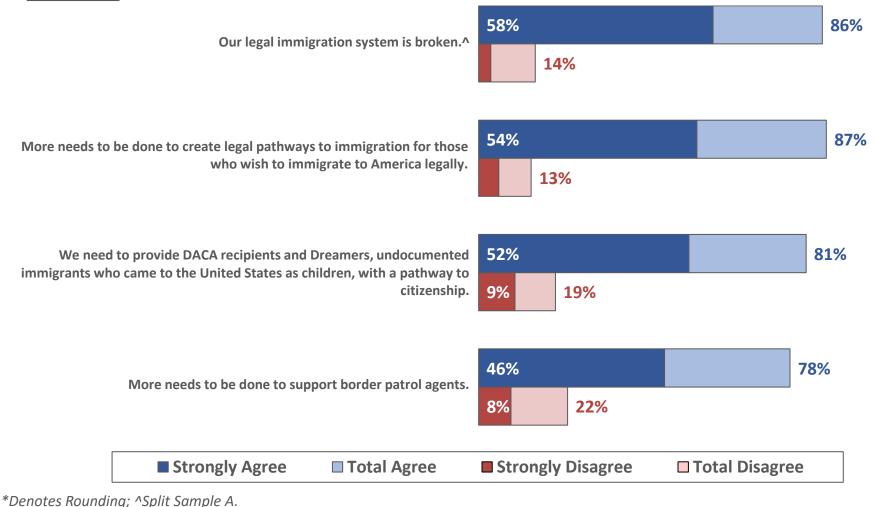




Immigration

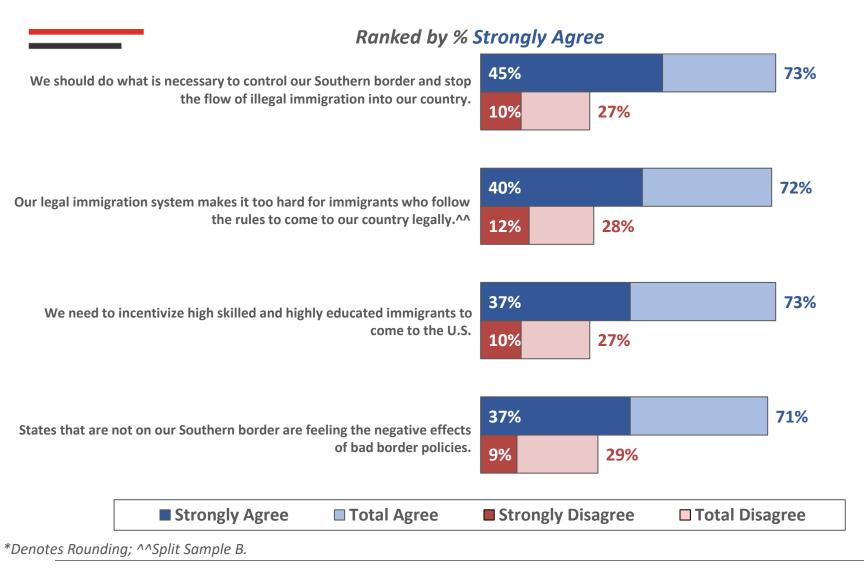
Hispanic voters overwhelmingly believe our immigration system is broken.

Ranked by % Strongly Agree



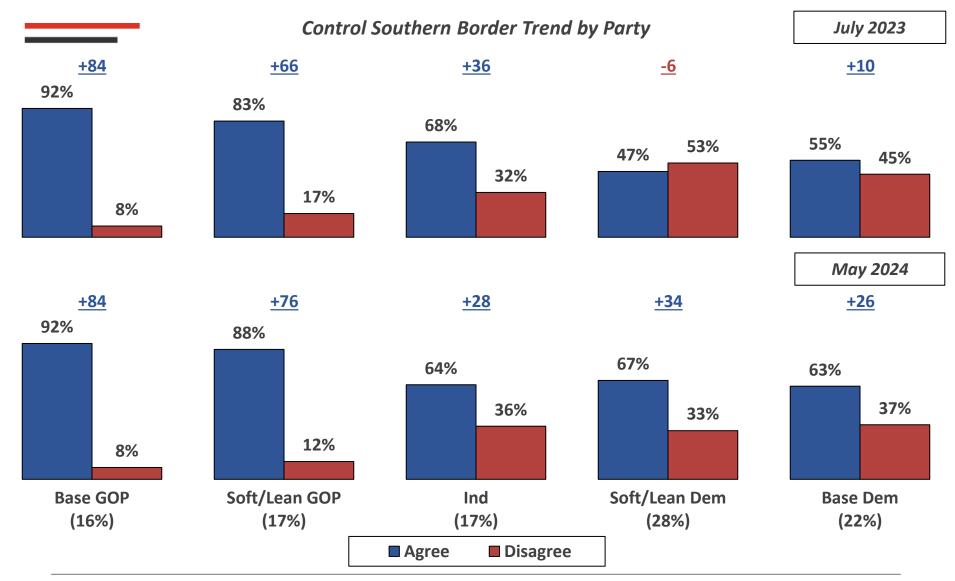


Hispanic voters believe that we need to control our Southern border, and that we need to make it easier for immigrants to enter legally.



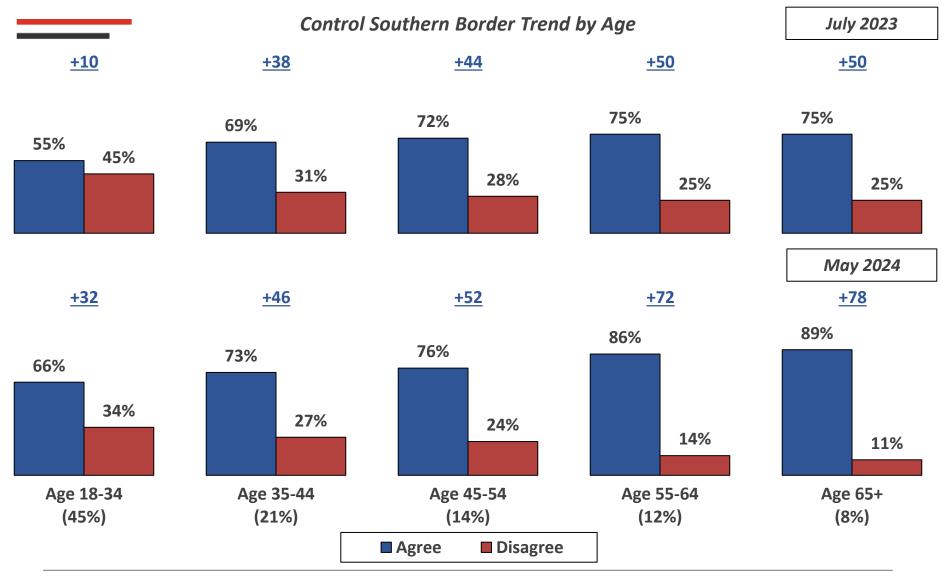
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The shift among Democrats is especially notable.



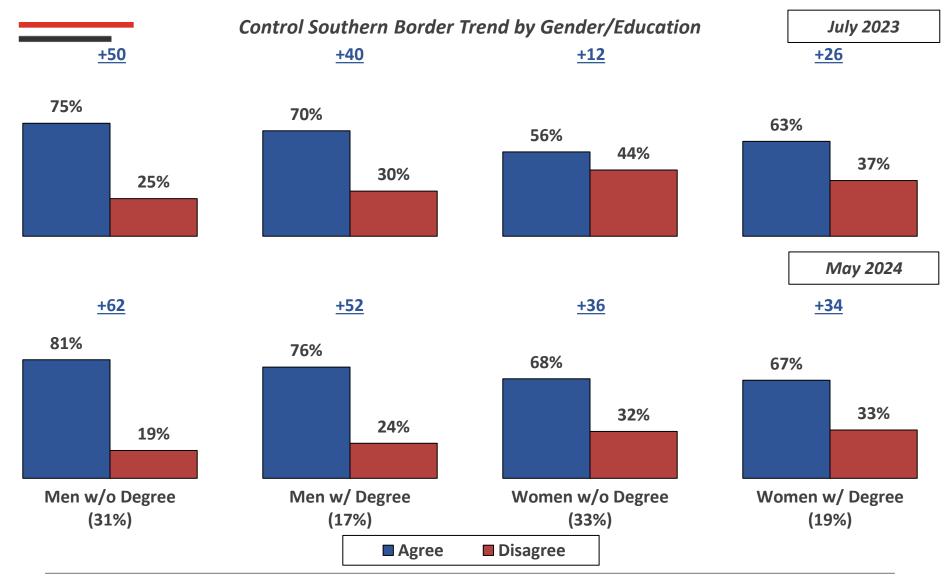


Two-thirds of young voters now believe we need to control our Southern border. There has been an increase in this belief across all age groups.



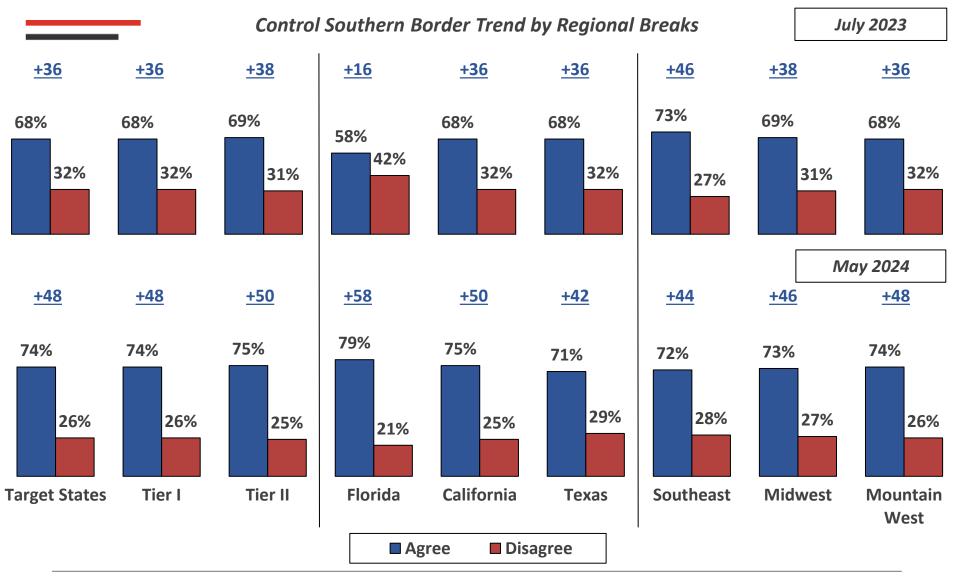


Support for controlling the Southern border has increased among all gender/education groups. This is most pronounced among women without college degrees.





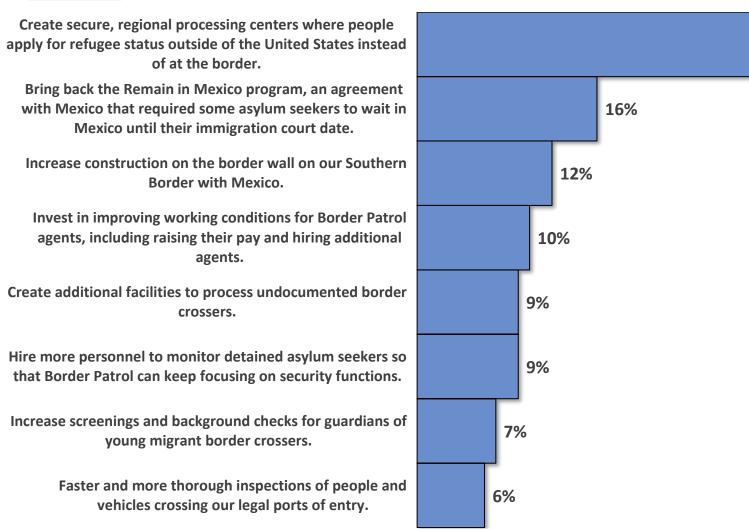
Support for controlling the Southern border has increased in target states. Florida has had the largest increase in support.





Creating secure, regional processing centers is the most popular government action.

First Choice





"Now, please read some actions the federal government could take to secure the border. Please pick THREE actions that you would like to see the federal government take." 30%

The border wall is popular among base Republicans, but not among Independents or Democrats.

Top Immigration Actions by Party

Base GOP (16%)	Soft/Lean GOP (17%)	Ind (17%)	Soft/Lean Dem (28%)	Base Dem (22%)
Increase border wall construction (33%)	Bring back Remain in Mexico program (25%)	Create secure, regional processing centers (34%)	Create secure, regional processing centers (41%)	Create secure, regional processing centers (29%)
Bring back Remain in Mexico program (31%)	Create secure, regional processing centers (25%)	Bring back Remain in Mexico program (13%)	Additional facilities to process border crossers (11%)	Improve Border Patrol working conditions (17%)
Create secure, regional processing centers (11%)	Increase border wall construction (17%)	More personnel to monitor detained asylum seekers (13%)	Improve Border Patrol working conditions (11%)	Additional facilities to process border crossers (14%)
Faster and more thorough inspections (6%)	Improve Border Patrol working conditions (9%)	Additional facilities to process border crossers (12%)	Bring back Remain in Mexico program (10%)	More personnel to monitor detained asylum seekers (12%)



The creation of regional processing centers is by far the most supported policy. Bringing back Remain in Mexico and improving working conditions of Border Patrol agents are also popular.

Create secure, regional processing centers where people apply for refugee status outside of the United States instead of at the border. Bring back the Remain in Mexico program, an agreement with Mexico that required some asylum seekers to wait in 38% Mexico until their immigration court date. Invest in improving working conditions for Border Patrol agents, including raising their pay and hiring additional 38% agents. Create additional facilities to process undocumented border 37% crossers. Hire more personnel to monitor detained asylum seekers so 35% that Border Patrol can keep focusing on security functions. Increase construction on the border wall on our Southern 32% Border with Mexico. Increase screenings and background checks for guardians of 31% young migrant border crossers. Faster and more thorough inspections of people and 27% vehicles crossing our legal ports of entry.



"Now, please read some actions the federal government could take to secure the border. Please pick THREE actions that you would like to see the federal government take." 61%



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