



ANALYSIS: SUPPORT FOR  
SECURITY BILL FOCUSED ON  
DEFEATING OUR ENEMIES  
WITHOUT ADDING TO THE DEBT

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# KEY TAKEAWAYS

- A “security bill to defeat Putin, destroy Hamas, and deter China” generates more support than a “foreign aid bill to help Ukraine, Israel, and Taiwan.”
- Additional deficit spending is a significant concern. A version of the bill that did not add to the debt and deficit could earn the support of more than 6-in-10 Americans.
- The strongest potential candidate matchup for Republicans on the issue is that of a GOP candidate who supports a security bill but **ONLY IF** it does not add to the debt and deficit, versus a Democrat who supports a bill **EVEN IF** it adds to the debt and deficit.

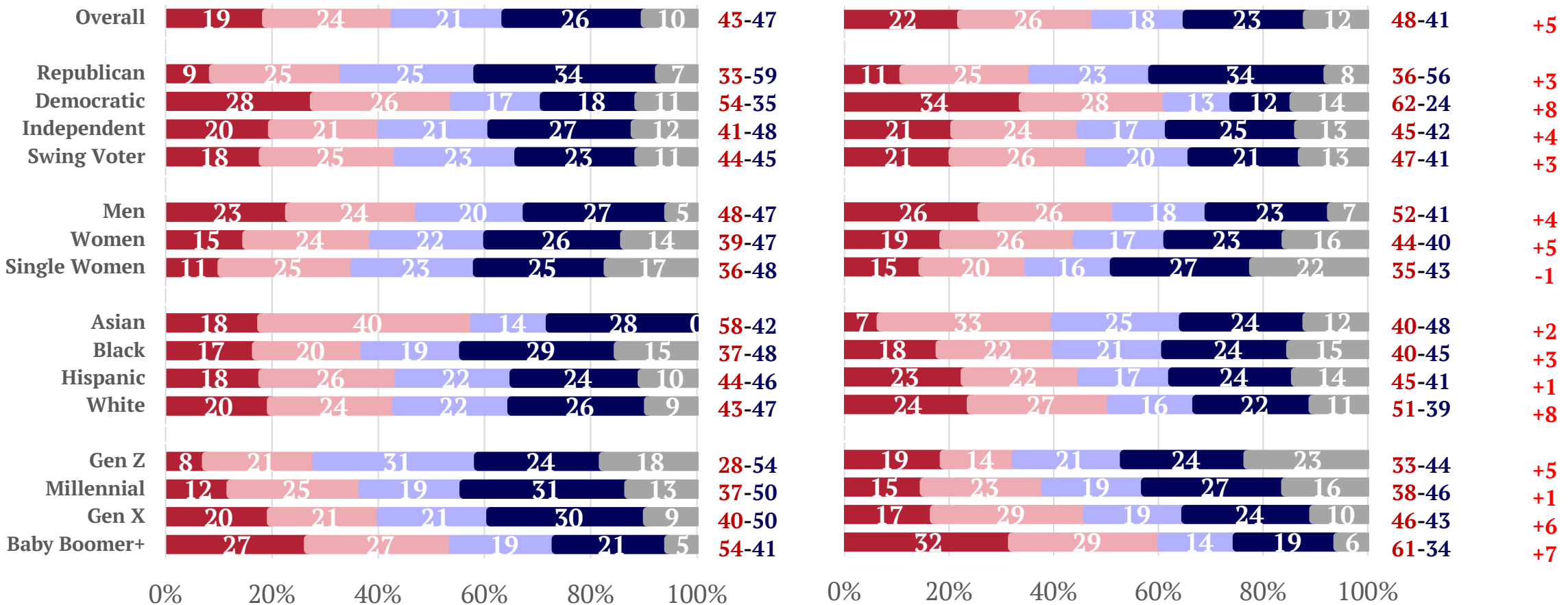
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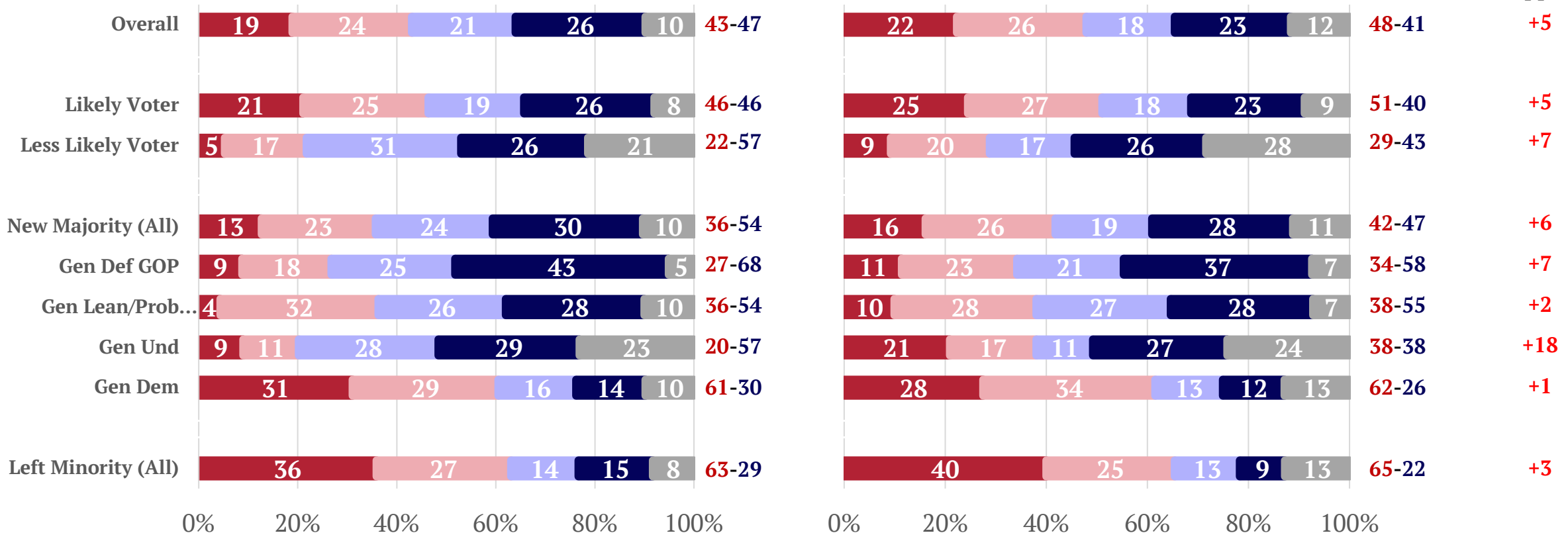
# 6-Points More Support For A Security Bill Than a Foreign Aid Bill Among New Majority Voters

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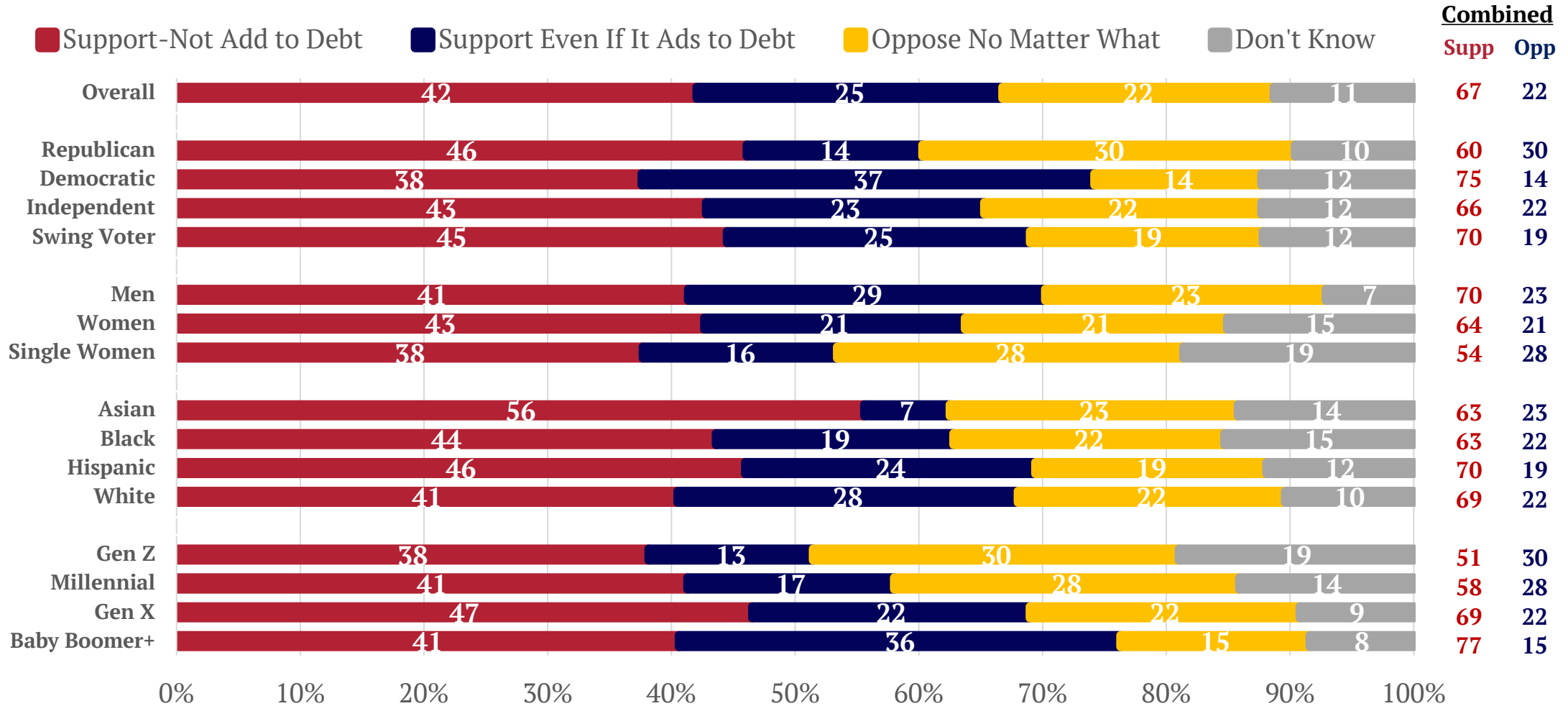
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# A Security Bill That Does Not Add to the Deficit Could Be Supported by 2-in-3 Voters

“Which of the below best describes your position on the \$95 billion security bill to help defeat Putin, destroy Hamas, and deter China?”

1. Could support the bill if it didn't add to the debt and deficit. 2. Support the bill even if it adds to the debt and deficit. 3. Oppose the bill no matter what.



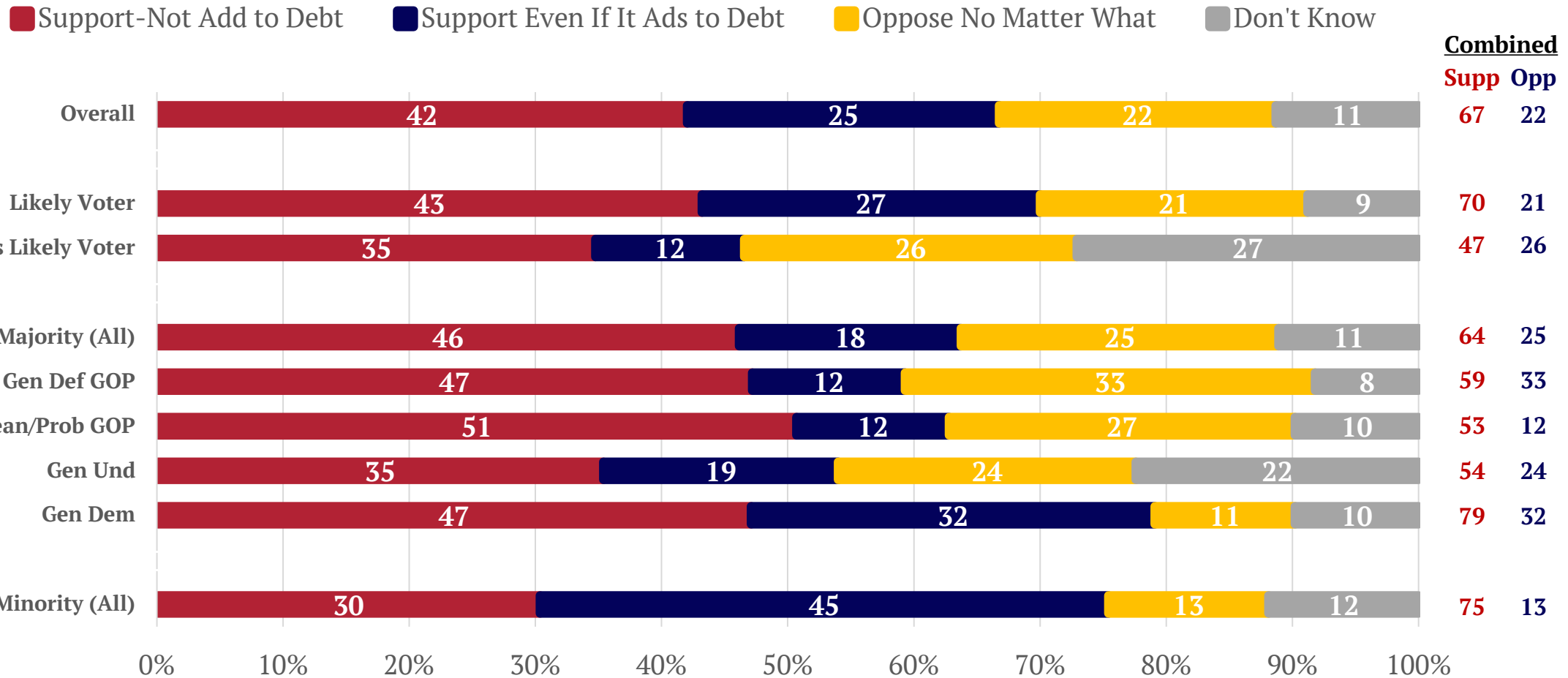
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# Nearly 2-in-3 New Majority Voters Could Support A Security Bill That Does Not Add to the Deficit

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# A Republican Who Supports A Security Bill With No Debt Is Stronger Than One Who Opposes Any Bill

“Which candidate would you be more likely to support?”

1. Republican who **OPPOSES** the security bill
2. Democratic who **SUPPORTS** the security bill

|              | GOP-Dem | Net GOP | GOP Gain from Gen Ballot | Dem Gain from Gen Ballot |
|--------------|---------|---------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Overall      | 39-40   | -1      | -6                       | -3                       |
| Republican   | 72-9    | 63      | -21                      | +6                       |
| Democratic   | 11-73   | -62     | +5                       | -14                      |
| Independent  | 33-34   | -1      | -2                       | -2                       |
| Swing Voter  | 38-37   | 1       | -5                       | 0                        |
| Men          | 41-41   | 1       | -10                      | +3                       |
| Women        | 38-39   | -1      | -2                       | -8                       |
| Single Women | 32-41   | -9      | +4                       | -17                      |
| Asian        | 50-24   | 27      | -11                      | -3                       |
| Black        | 29-47   | -18     | 0                        | -12                      |
| Hispanic     | 36-43   | -7      | 0                        | -6                       |
| White        | 41-39   | 2       | -8                       | -1                       |
| Gen Z        | 40-36   | 4       | +7                       | -17                      |
| Millennial   | 41-38   | 3       | -1                       | +5                       |
| Gen X        | 42-37   | 5       | -9                       | -1                       |
| Baby Boomer+ | 36-44   | -8      | -12                      | -1                       |

1. Republican who **supports** the security bill **ONLY IF** no debt.
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| Overall      | 48-35   | 13      | +3                       | -8                       |
| Republican   | 83-4    | 79      | -10                      | +1                       |
| Democratic   | 17-68   | -51     | +11                      | -19                      |
| Independent  | 41-29   | 12      | +6                       | -7                       |
| Swing Voter  | 48-30   | 18      | +5                       | -7                       |
| Men          | 49-35   | 14      | -2                       | -3                       |
| Women        | 47-35   | 12      | +7                       | -12                      |
| Single Women | 40-36   | 4       | +12                      | -22                      |
| Asian        | 57-19   | 38      | -4                       | -8                       |
| Black        | 36-42   | -7      | +7                       | -17                      |
| Hispanic     | 44-37   | 7       | +8                       | -12                      |
| White        | 50-34   | 16      | +1                       | -6                       |
| Gen Z        | 41-32   | 9       | +8                       | -21                      |
| Millennial   | 50-32   | 18      | +8                       | -11                      |
| Gen X        | 51-33   | 18      | 0                        | -5                       |
| Baby Boomer+ | 46-36   | 7       | -2                       | -4                       |

**Candidate Matchup Difference**

| GOP Diff | Dem Diff |
|----------|----------|
| +9       | -5       |
| +11      | -5       |
| +6       | -5       |
| +7       | -5       |
| +10      | -7       |
| +8       | -6       |
| +9       | -4       |
| +8       | -5       |
| +7       | -5       |
| +7       | -5       |
| +8       | -6       |
| +9       | -5       |
| +1       | -4       |
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# A Republican Who Supports A Security Bill With No Debt Does 11 Points Better With New Majority Voters Than One Who Opposes Any Bill

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| Overall             | 39-40   | 0       | -6                       | -3                       |
| Likely Voter        | 41-42   | -1      | -7                       | -2                       |
| Less Likely         | 32-27   | 4       | +3                       | -7                       |
| New Majority (All)  | 50-26   | 25      | -12                      | +4                       |
| 8-10                | 56-20   | 35      | -15                      | 0                        |
| 6-7 Filtered        | 44-34   | 10      | -2                       | +3                       |
| 0-5 Filtered        | 27-40   | -13     | -29                      | +40                      |
| Left Minority (All) | 7-80    | -72     | +7                       | -20                      |
| 6-7 Remaining       | 10-80   | -70     | +10                      | -20                      |
| 0-5 Remaining       | 5-79    | -74     | +5                       | -21                      |

|  | GOP-Dem | Net GOP | GOP Gain from Gen Ballot | Dem Gain from Gen Ballot | GOP Diff | Dem Diff |
|--|---------|---------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------|----------|
|  | 48-35   | 13      | +3                       | -8                       | +9       | -5       |
|  | 49-37   | 12      | +1                       | -7                       | +8       | 0        |
|  | 37-18   | 19      | +8                       | -17                      | +5       | -10      |
|  | 61-20   | 42      | -1                       | -2                       | +11      | -6       |
|  | 67-17   | 50      | -4                       | -3                       | +11      | -3       |
|  | 50-24   | 26      | +4                       | -7                       | +6       | -10      |
|  | 52-24   | 29      | +4                       | +24                      | +33      | -16      |
|  | 9-78    | -69     | +9                       | -22                      | +2       | +2       |
|  | 12-80   | -69     | +12                      | -20                      | +2       | 0        |
|  | 6-76    | -69     | +6                       | -24                      | +1       | -3       |

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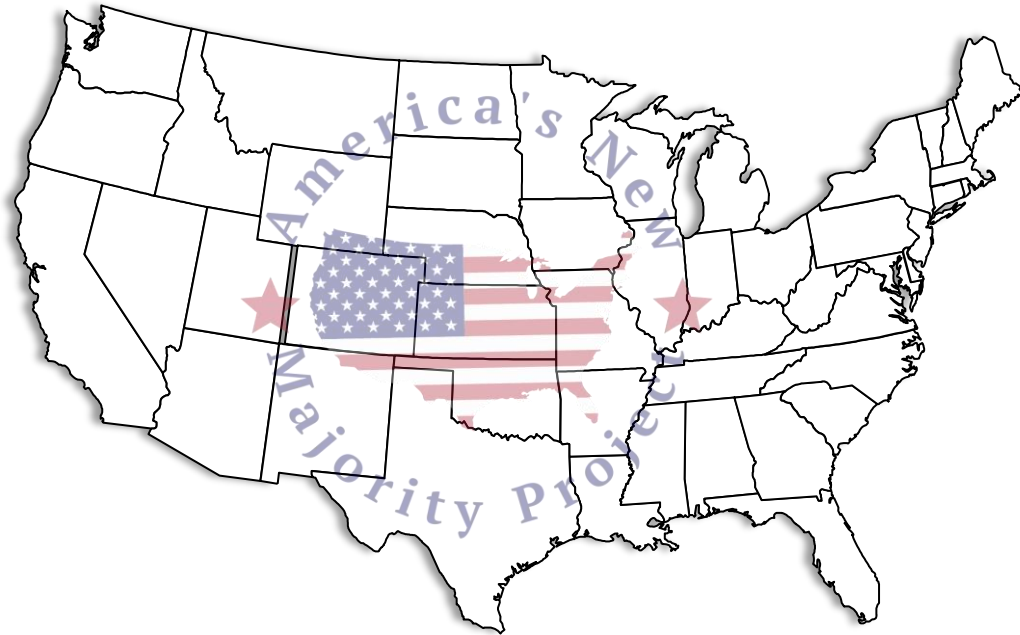


# Methodology

Mclaughlin & Associates partnered with Gingrich360 to conduct a national survey for America's New Majority Project. This national survey was conducted among 2,000 registered voters between February 19-22, 2024.

All interviews were conducted online. Survey invitations were distributed randomly within predetermined geographic units. These units were structured to correlate with actual general election turnout.

The sample of 2,000 registered voters has an accuracy of +/- 2.2% at a 95% confidence interval. The numbers in this presentation have been rounded and may not equal 100%.



|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| New England        | 5%  |
| Middle Atlantic    | 13% |
| East North Central | 16% |
| West North Central | 6%  |
| South Atlantic     | 21% |
| East South Central | 6%  |
| West South Central | 11% |
| Mountain           | 7%  |
| Pacific            | 15% |

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|-------|-----|
| 18-29 | 15% |
| 30-40 | 17% |
| 41-55 | 25% |
| 56-65 | 19% |
| 66+   | 24% |

|          |     |
|----------|-----|
| White    | 68% |
| Hispanic | 13% |
| Black    | 13% |
| Asian    | 4%  |
| Other    | 2%  |

|        |     |
|--------|-----|
| Male   | 47% |
| Female | 53% |

|             |     |
|-------------|-----|
| Democratic  | 36% |
| Republican  | 37% |
| Independent | 27% |

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| Less/4yr College | 65% |
| Bachelor's/P.G   | 35% |

