

IMMIGRATION HUB

Survey Results: Registered Voters

October 2020

Arizona, Colorado, Florida, Michigan,
North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin

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State Highlights

Civiqs polled 7,287 registered voters in Arizona, Colorado, Florida, Michigan, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, and Wisconsin from October 8-13, 2020.

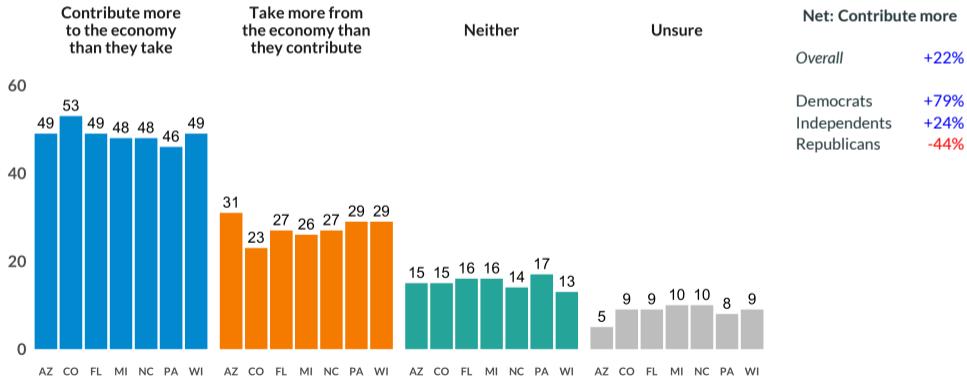
The survey was conducted online, among selected members of the Civiqs research panel. Survey results are weighted by age, race, gender, education, and party identification within each state.

State	Sample size	Design effect	Margin of error
Arizona	1,026	1.42	±3.6%
Colorado	1,164	1.29	±3.3%
Florida	1,011	1.16	±3.3%
Michigan	1,022	1.40	±3.6%
North Carolina	1,000	1.34	±3.6%
Pennsylvania	1,018	1.10	±3.2%
Wisconsin	1,046	1.24	±3.4%

Immigrants Seen as Contributors

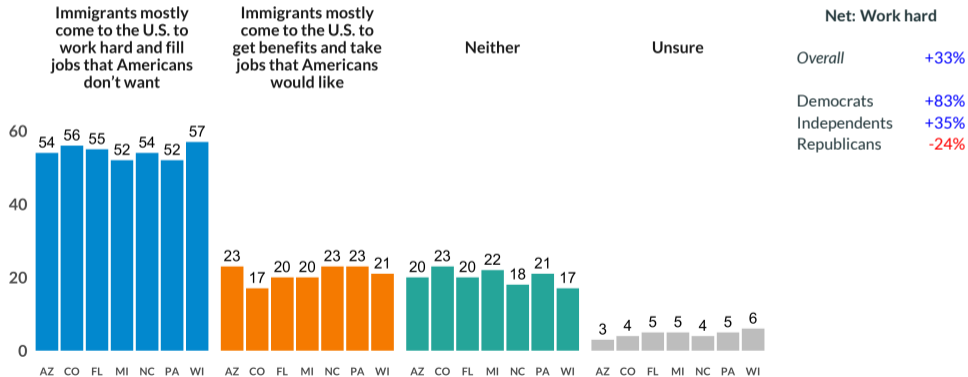
Immigrants seen as contributors to the U.S. economy

Overall, do you think that immigrants to the United States:



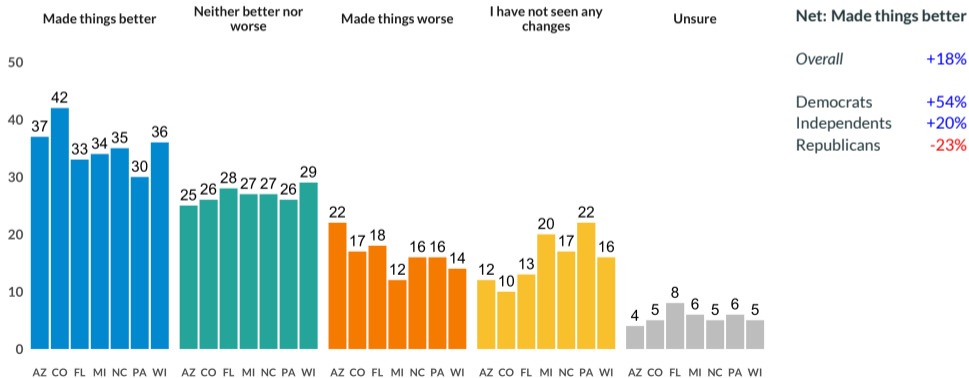
Immigrants work hard and fill needed jobs

Which comes closest to your opinion about immigrants to the United States?



Immigrants improve their local community

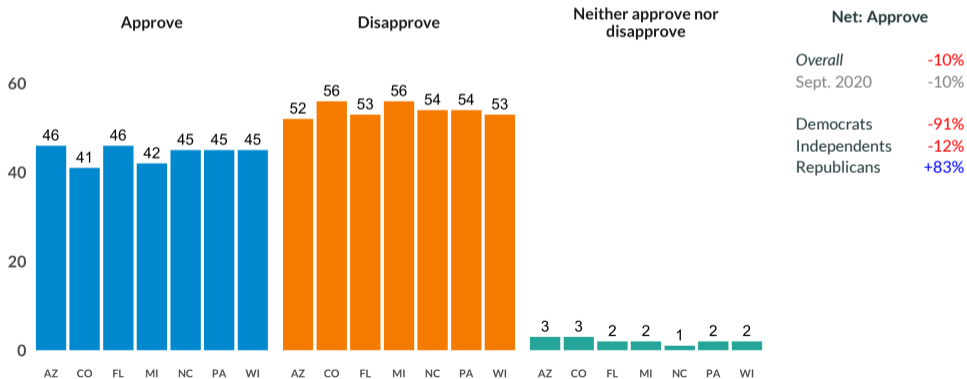
Do you think that immigrants in your local community have made things around you better or worse?



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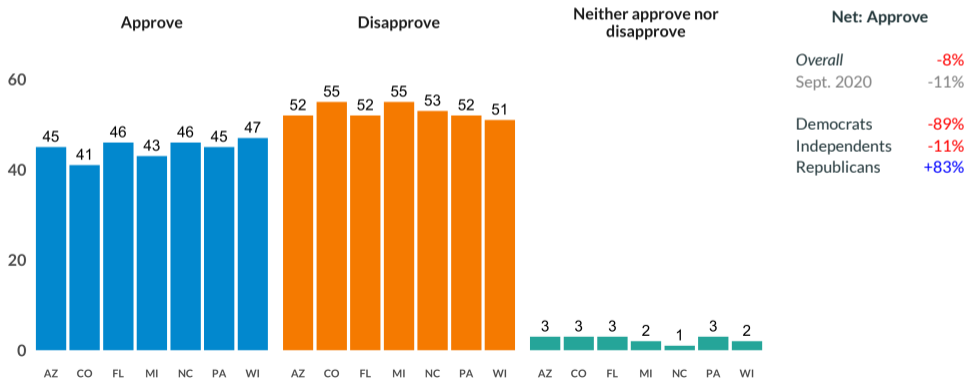
President Trump's job approval rating is net negative

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as president?



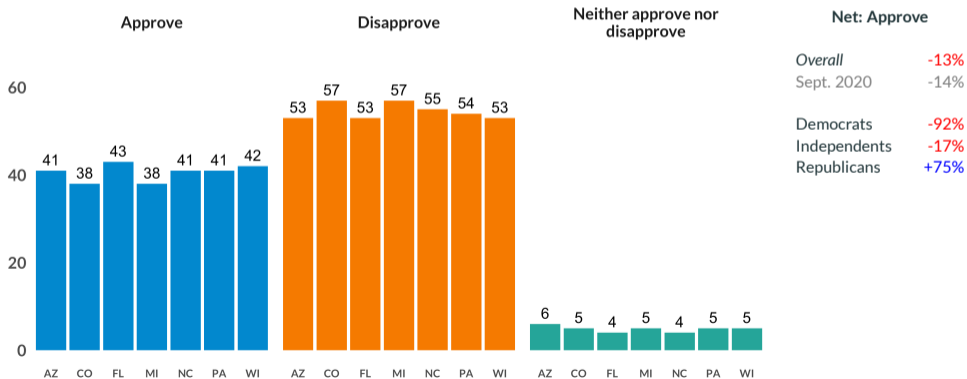
Most disapprove of Trump's approach to immigration

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling the issue of immigration?



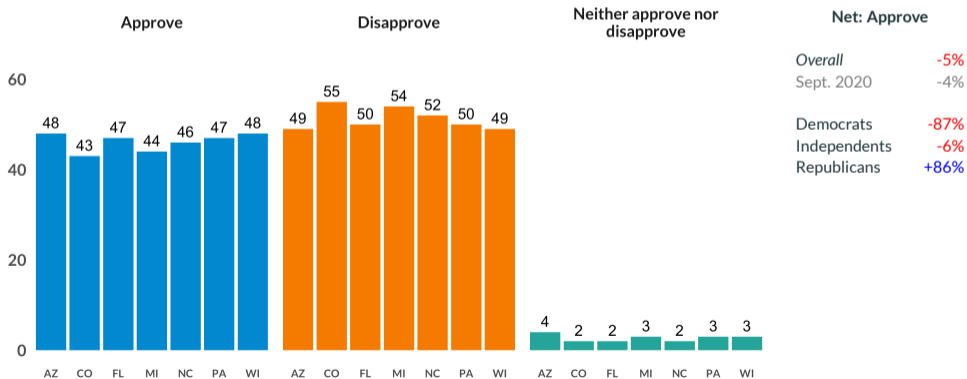
Trump's pandemic response is viewed poorly

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling the coronavirus?



More voters approve of Trump on the economy

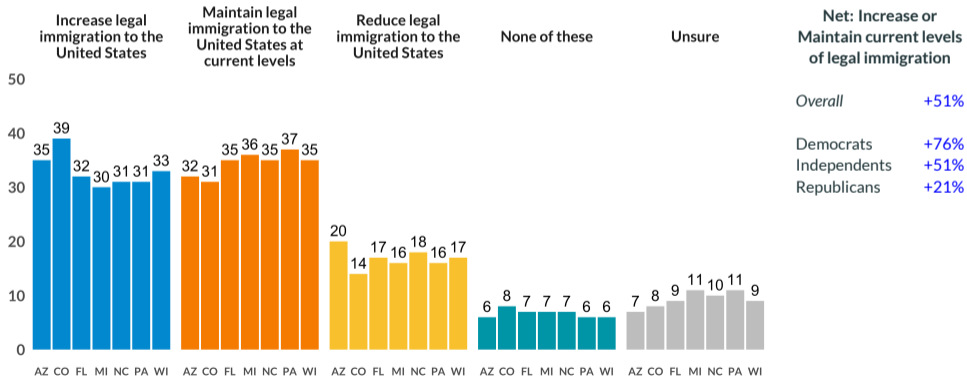
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Legal Immigration and Citizenship

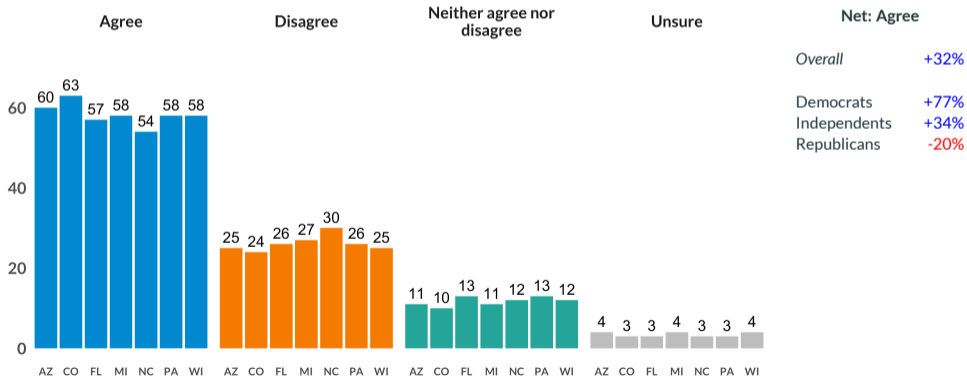
Maintain or expand legal immigration to the U.S.

Which of these comes closest to what you want:



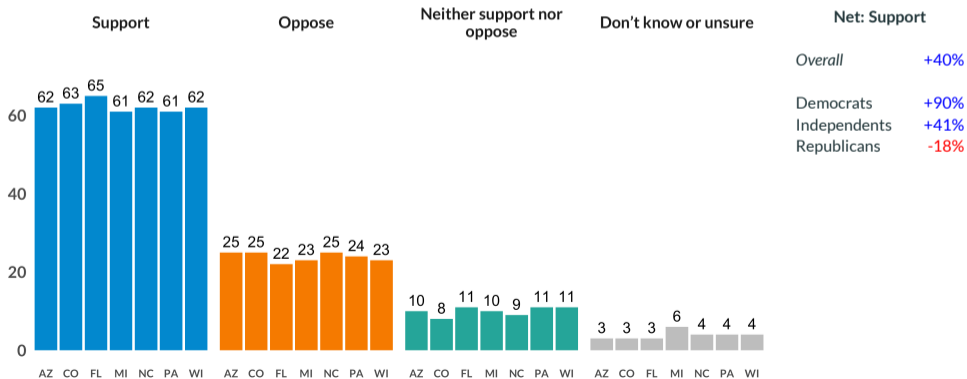
Make legal immigration *easier* to the U.S.

Do you agree or disagree with this statement: "We should make it easier for people to immigrate to the U.S. legally so that they will not try to come to this country without documentation."



Sustained support for the DACA program

Do you support or oppose the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, also known as “DACA”? The program allows undocumented immigrants who were brought to the United States as children to receive a renewable two-year deferral from deportation and authorization to work in the U.S.



Citizenship for long-standing community members

Which statement do you agree with more:

We should create a pathway to citizenship for undocumented immigrants who are long-standing members of our communities

We should deport any undocumented immigrants that comes into contact with law enforcement

Neither

Unsure

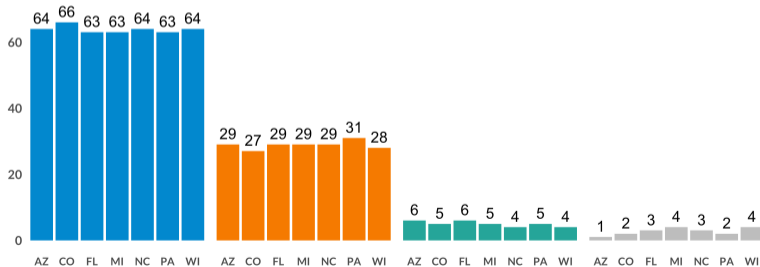
Net: Pathway to citizenship

Overall +34%

Democrats +89%

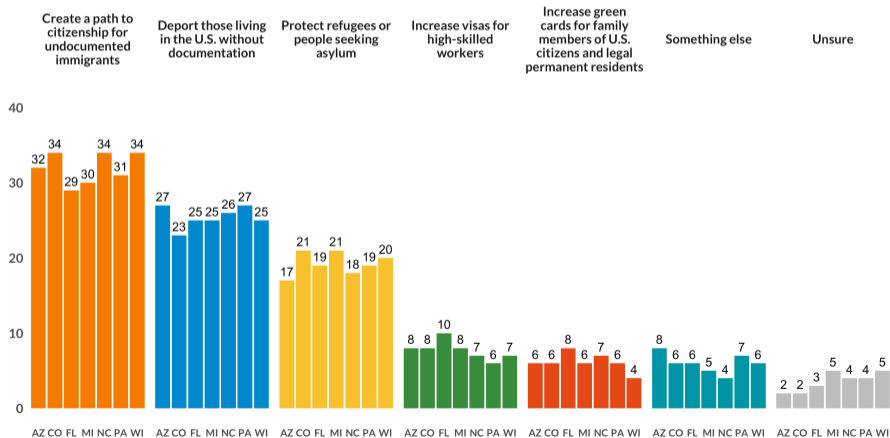
Independents +38%

Republicans -28%



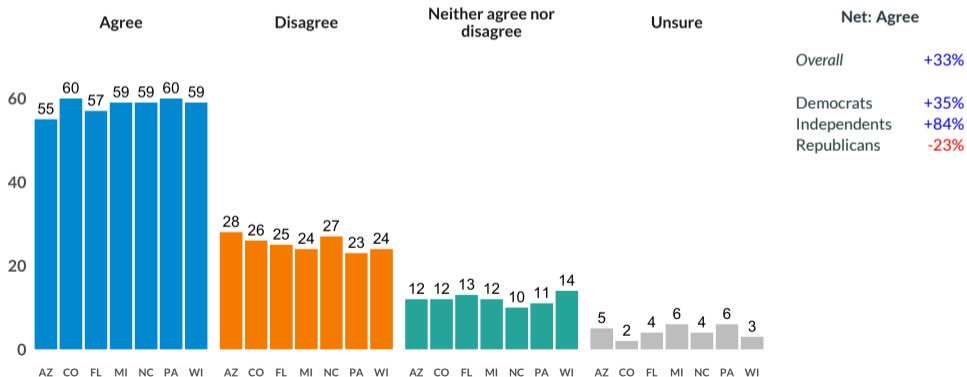
Citizenship prioritized over deportation

When you think about addressing the issue of immigration, which of these policies would be your top priority?



Path to citizenship for essential pandemic workers

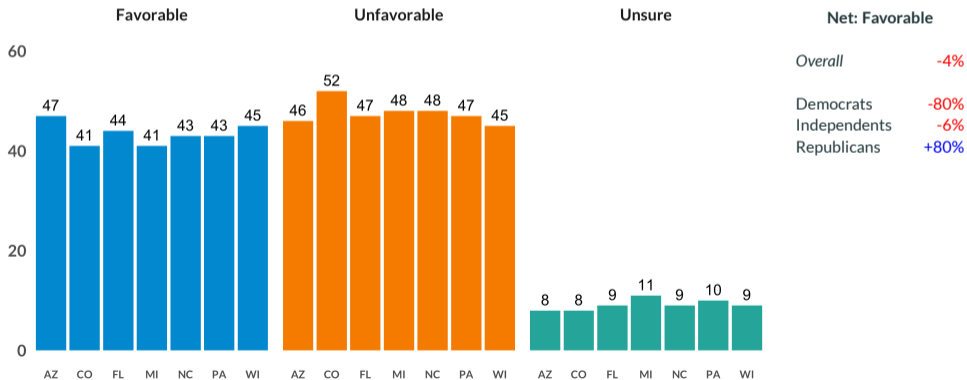
Do you agree or disagree with this statement: "As part of an economic recovery bill, undocumented immigrant workers who have been essential to the pandemic response should be provided a path to legal status and citizenship."



Immigration Enforcement and ICE

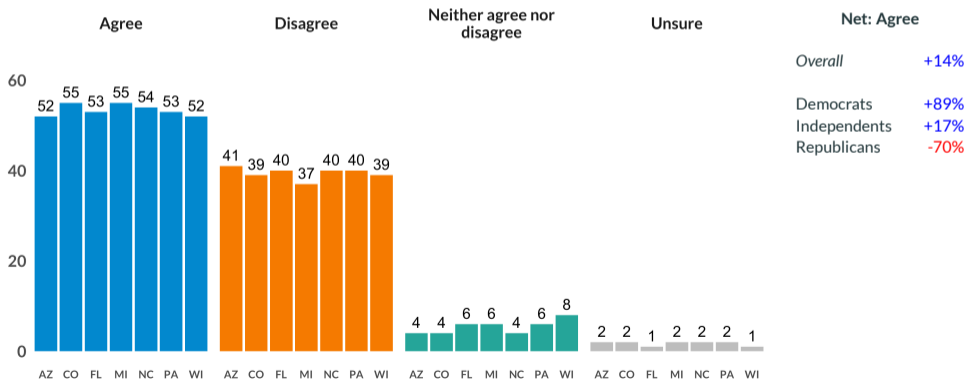
Opinions towards ICE are deeply polarized

Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the US Immigration and Customs Enforcement agency, also known as ICE?



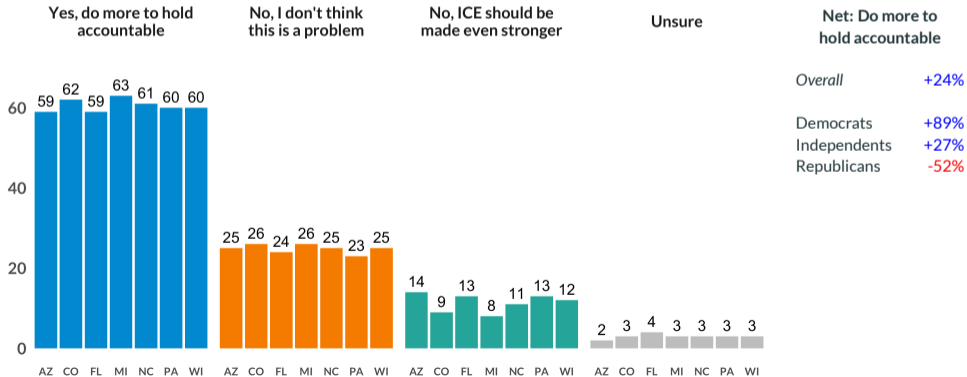
People want a more humane immigration system

Do you agree or disagree with this statement: "Immigration enforcement has become too cruel and extreme. We should have a system that is more fair and humane."



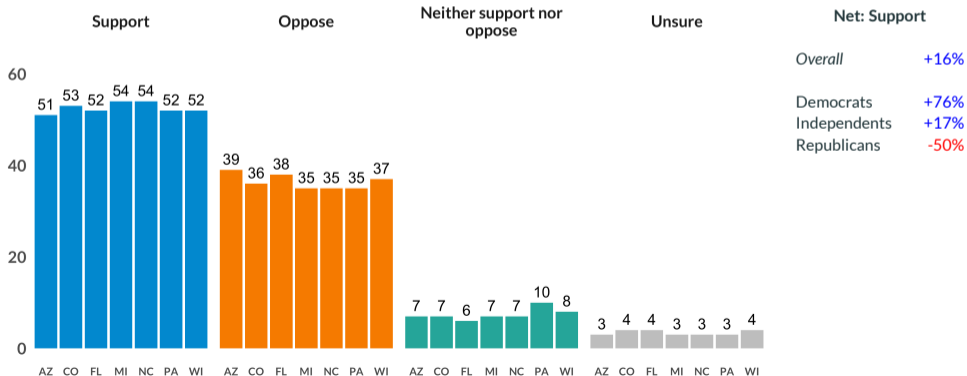
More accountability for ICE personnel

Do you think that the U.S. government needs to do more to ensure that Immigration and Customs (ICE) Enforcement personnel abide by professional standards and are held accountable for inhumane treatment?



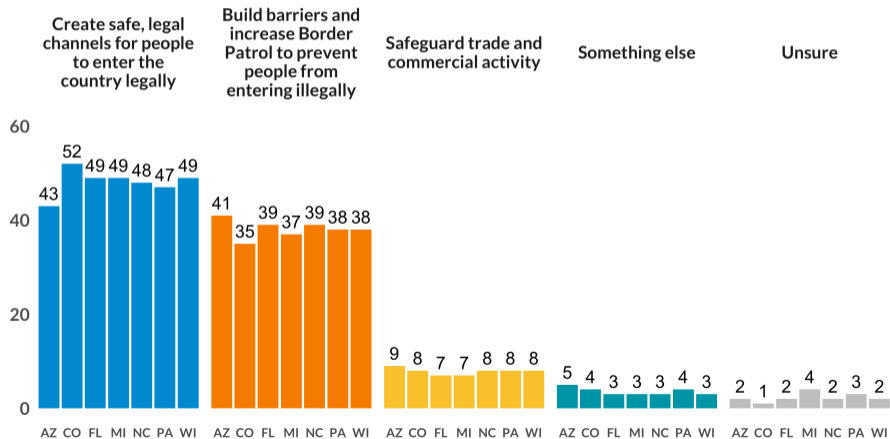
Pause deportation and review enforcement policy

Do you support or oppose a pause on deportations so the Department of Homeland Security can review and reset enforcement policies to ensure we have a fair and humane immigration system?



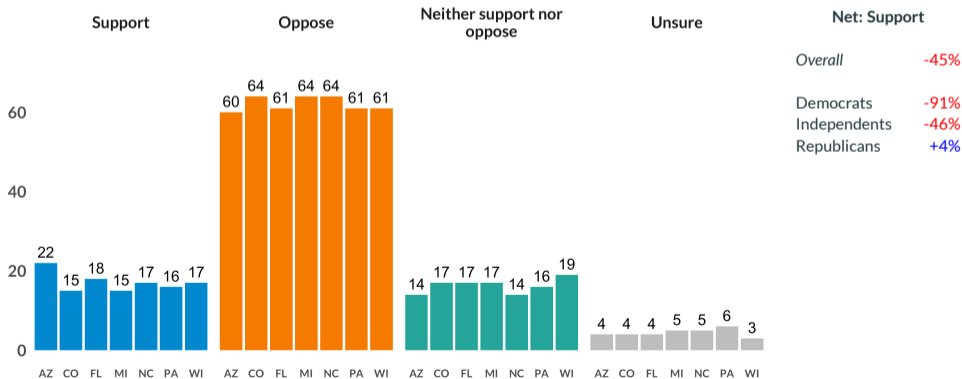
Top priority: Safe and legal immigration channels

What do you think should be the top priority for U.S. border security policy?



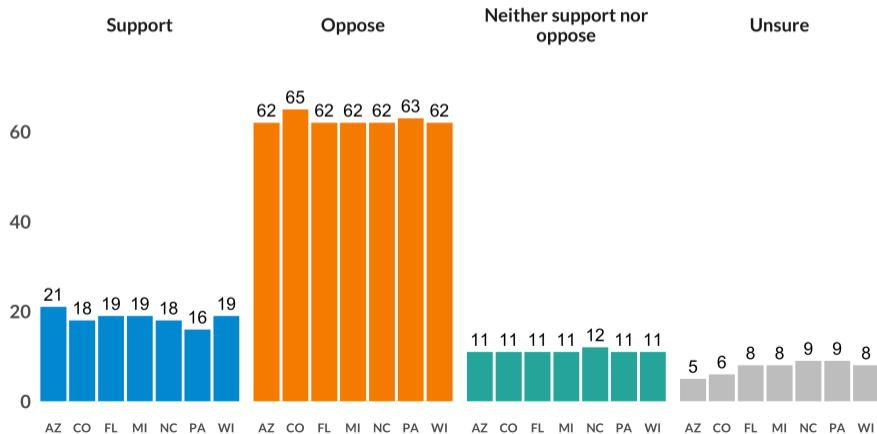
Opposition to jailing families seeking asylum

Do you support or oppose jailing families, including young children, who have committed no crimes and are seeking asylum?



Opposition to detention in for-profit prisons

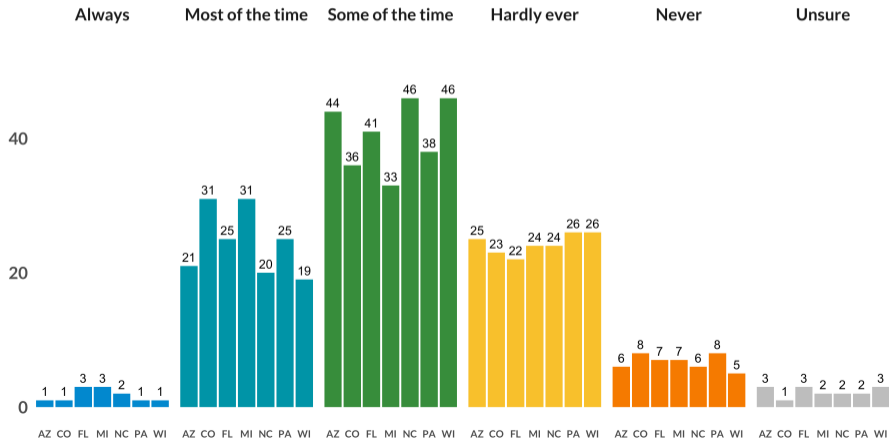
Do you support or oppose the U.S. government paying for-profit prison corporations to detain immigrants? (From September 2020 survey)



Governance and Statehood

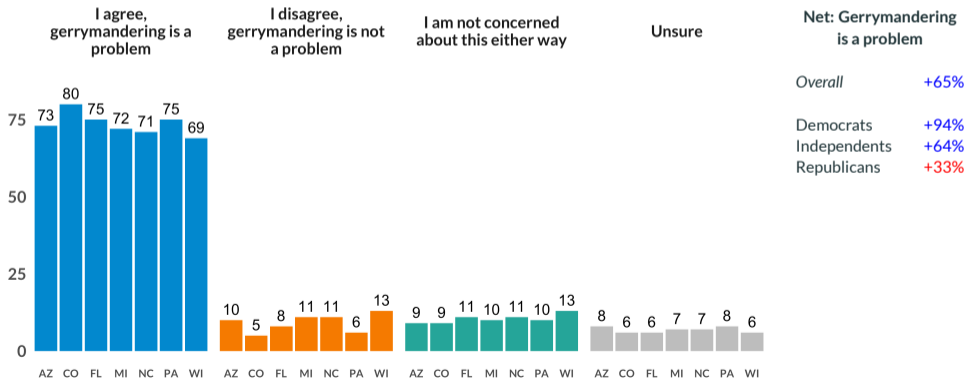
Moderate satisfaction with government responsiveness

How often do you think your state and local leaders are doing what's best for you and your family?



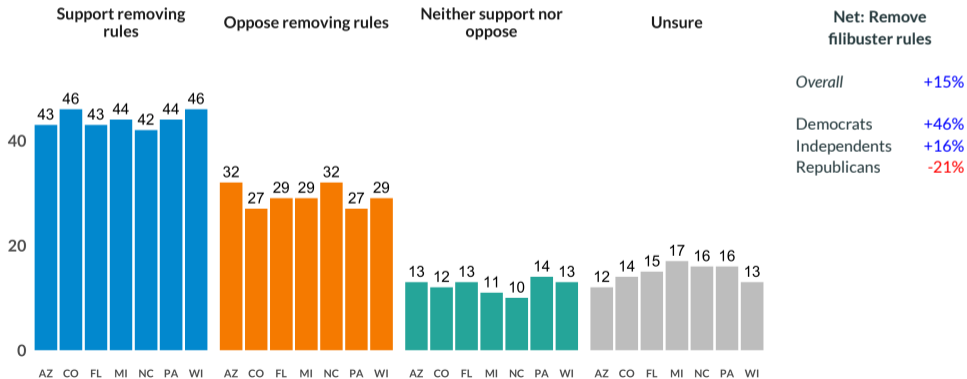
All agree that gerrymandering is a problem

Some people say that the way congressional districts are drawn produces unfair election results. They argue that districts deliberately group together some people, and divide others, often based on their race or political affiliation; a system known as “gerrymandering.” What is your opinion about this?



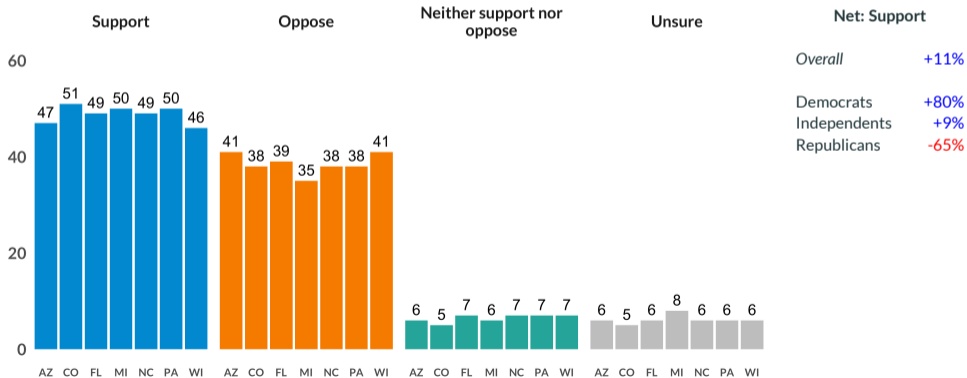
Support for eliminating senate filibuster rules

Do you support or oppose removing rules in the U.S. Senate that enable a minority of Senators to block legislation that has broad public support?



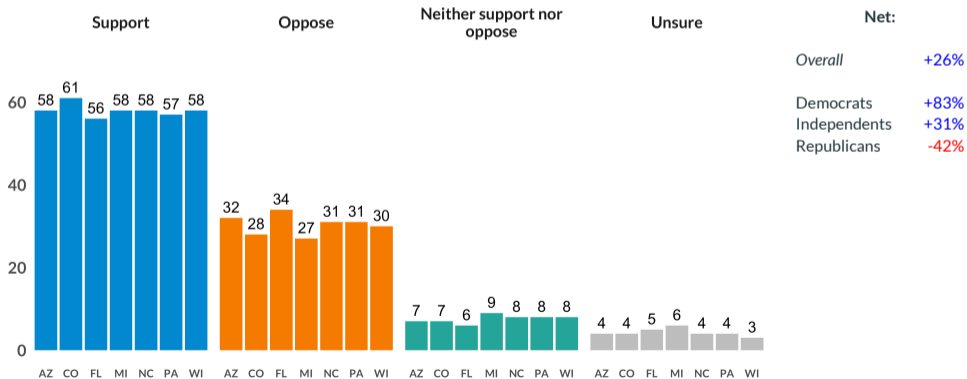
Statehood for Washington, DC

Do you support or oppose extending statehood to residents of Washington, DC so that they have full representation in Congress?



Statehood for Puerto Rico

Do you support or oppose extending statehood to residents of the U.S. territory of Puerto Rico so that they have full representation in Congress?



State Highlights

- All seven states see immigrants as contributors, by nearly 2-to-1.
- Voters in Colorado are the most positive about the impact of immigration in their community.
- The impact of immigration on their local communities is seen by the fewest voters in Pennsylvania and Michigan.

- Attitudes towards immigration enforcement are very consistent across the seven battleground states.
- Voters in Arizona and Colorado are most interested in increasing *legal* immigration to the U.S.—and making it easier to immigrate.
- Support for pathways to immigration is especially high in Colorado, North Carolina, and Wisconsin.