

# **DHM Research**

## **Legislative Session check-in & COVID-19**

**March 2021**



## Research purpose

This survey aims to check in with Oregon about some of the key policy debate that are happening during the 2021 legislative session.

It also asks Oregonians about COVID-19, vaccination distribution, and Governor Brown's order to restart in-person school.

And always, the survey updates benchmark questions about the direction of the state and impressions of key political leaders.

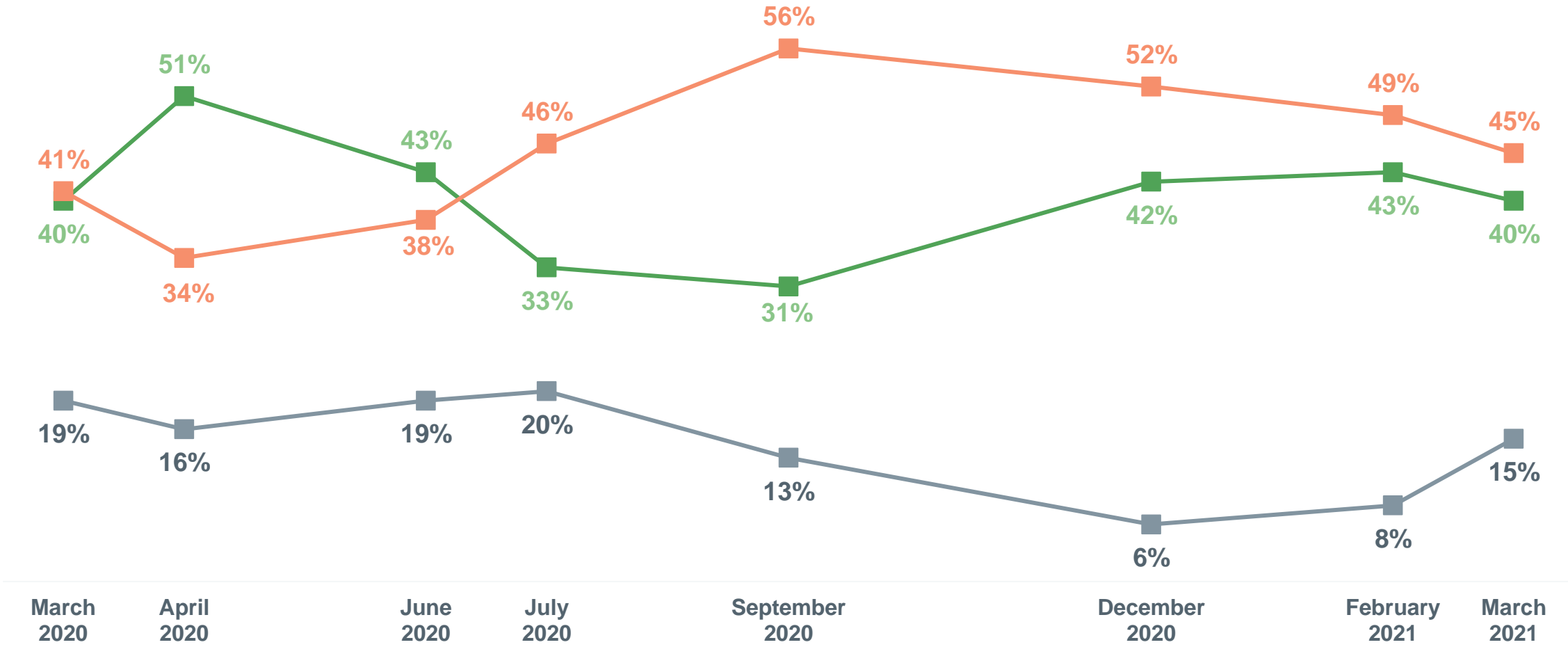
# Methodology

- Online survey of N=600 Oregonians ages 18+
- Conducted March 7–14, 2021; 15 minutes to complete
- Quotas and statistical weighting by gender, age, education, race, area of the state and political affiliation to match Oregon's general population
- Margin of error  $\pm 4.0\%$
- Due to rounding, some totals may differ by  $\pm 1$  from the sum of separate responses

**Direction of the state**

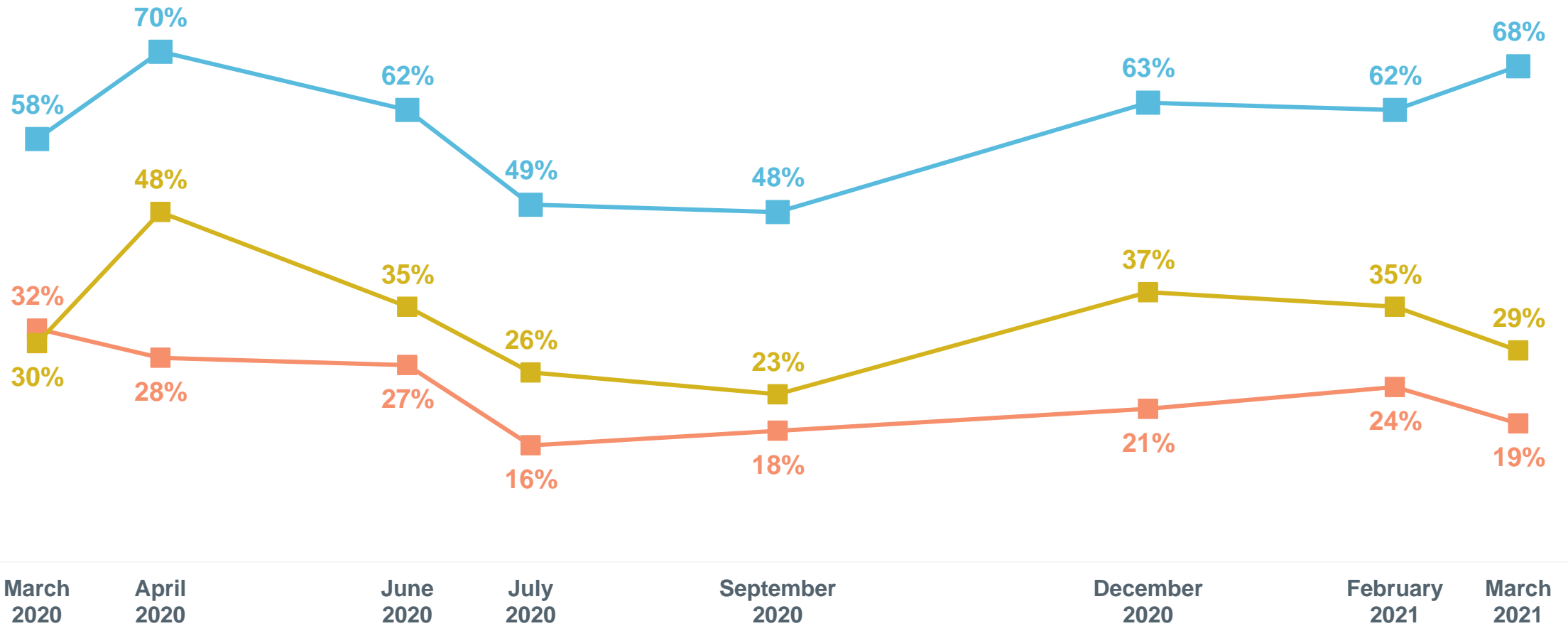
# Direction of the state

Right direction / Wrong track / Don't know



# Direction of the state: right direction

Democrat / Republican / NAV/other

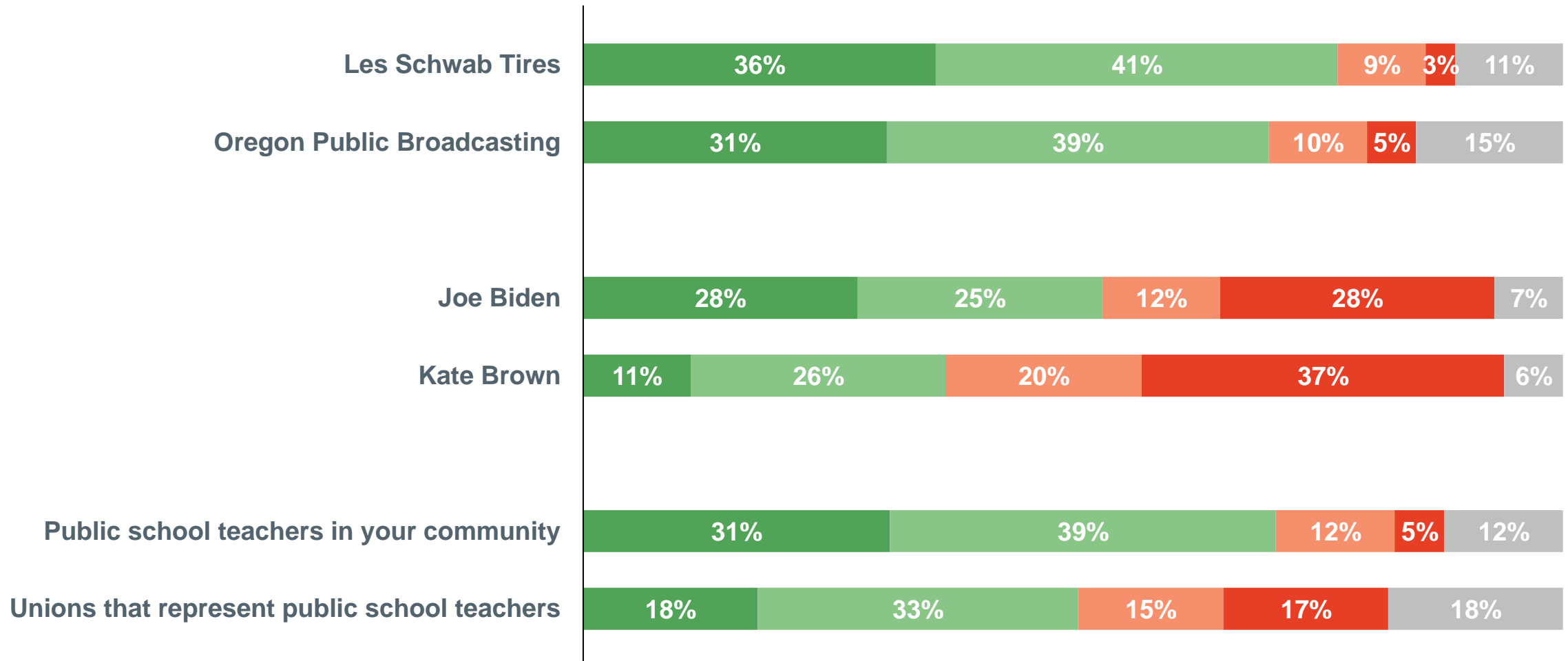


**Impressions**

**Biden, Brown & Teachers**

# Overall impressions

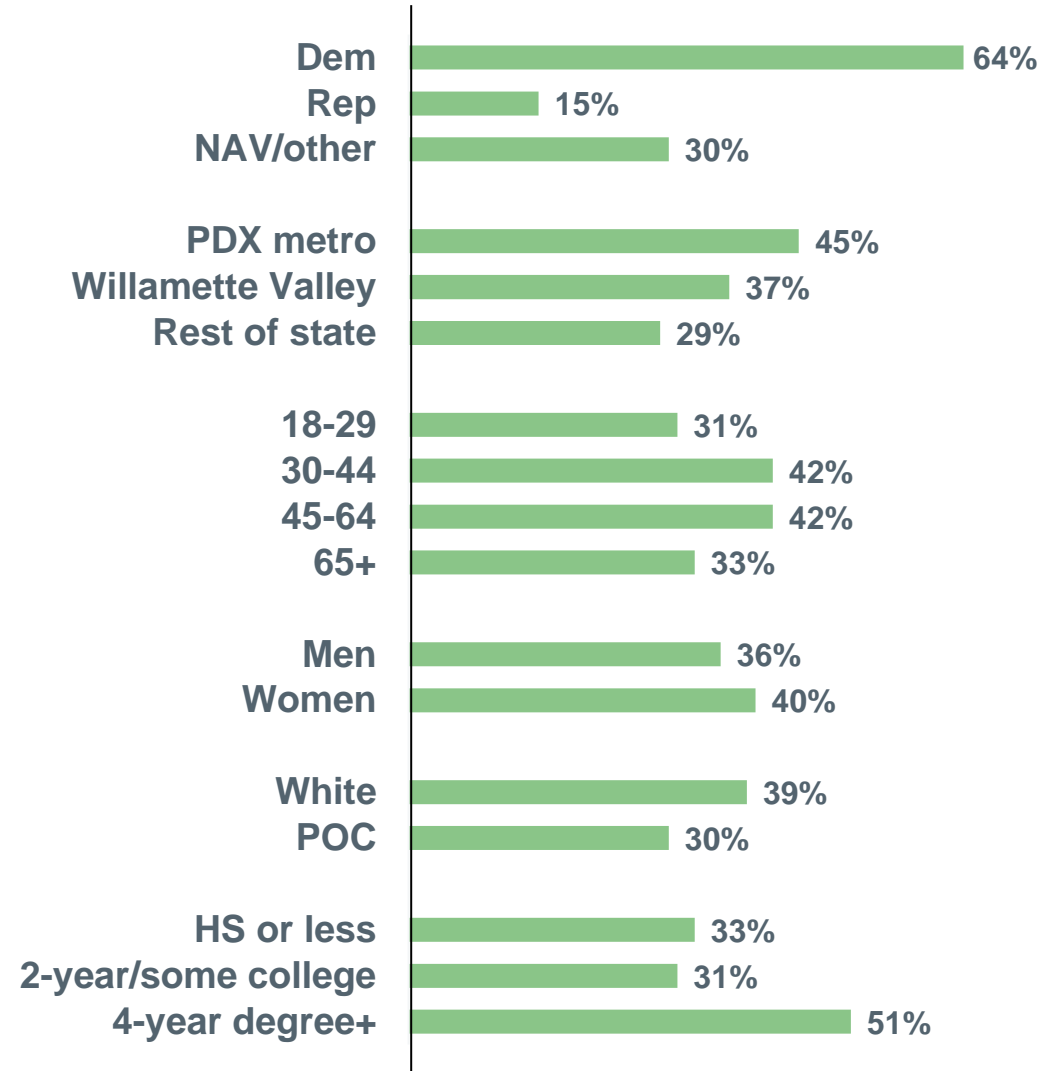
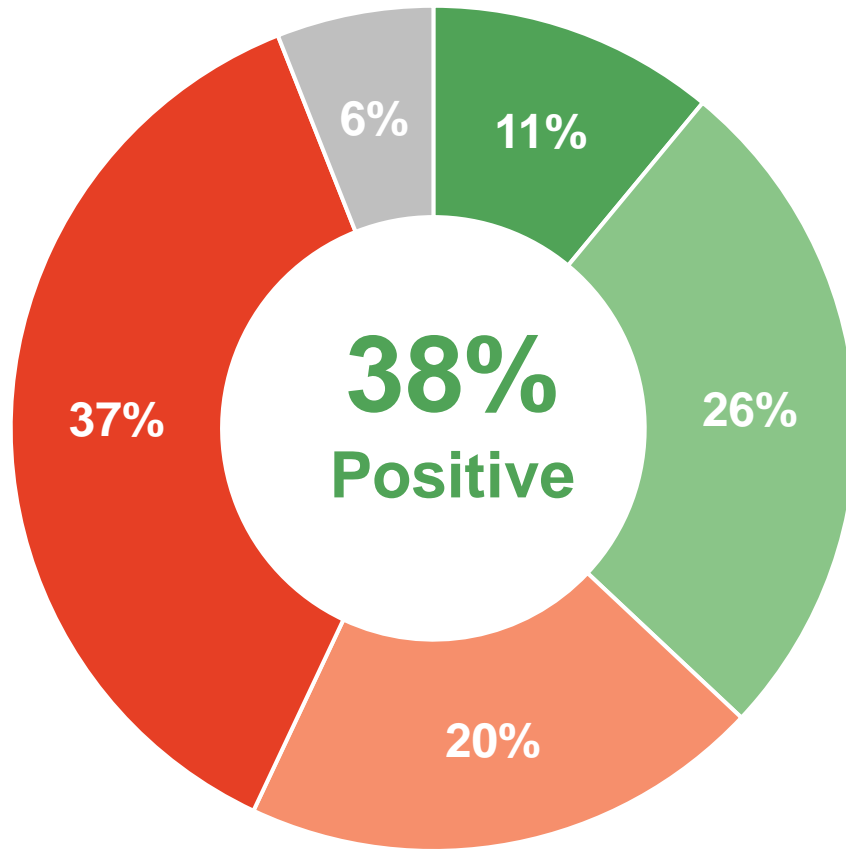
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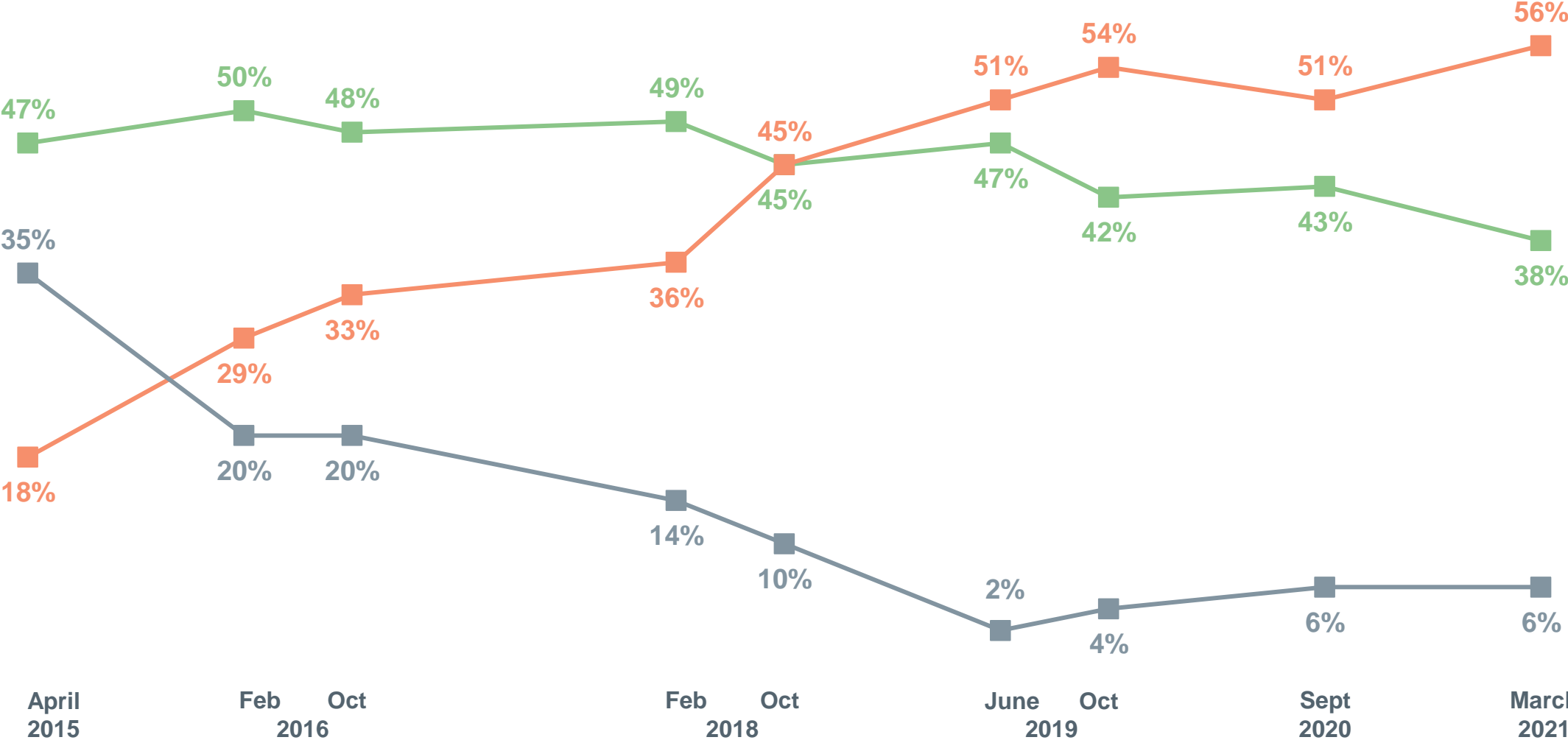
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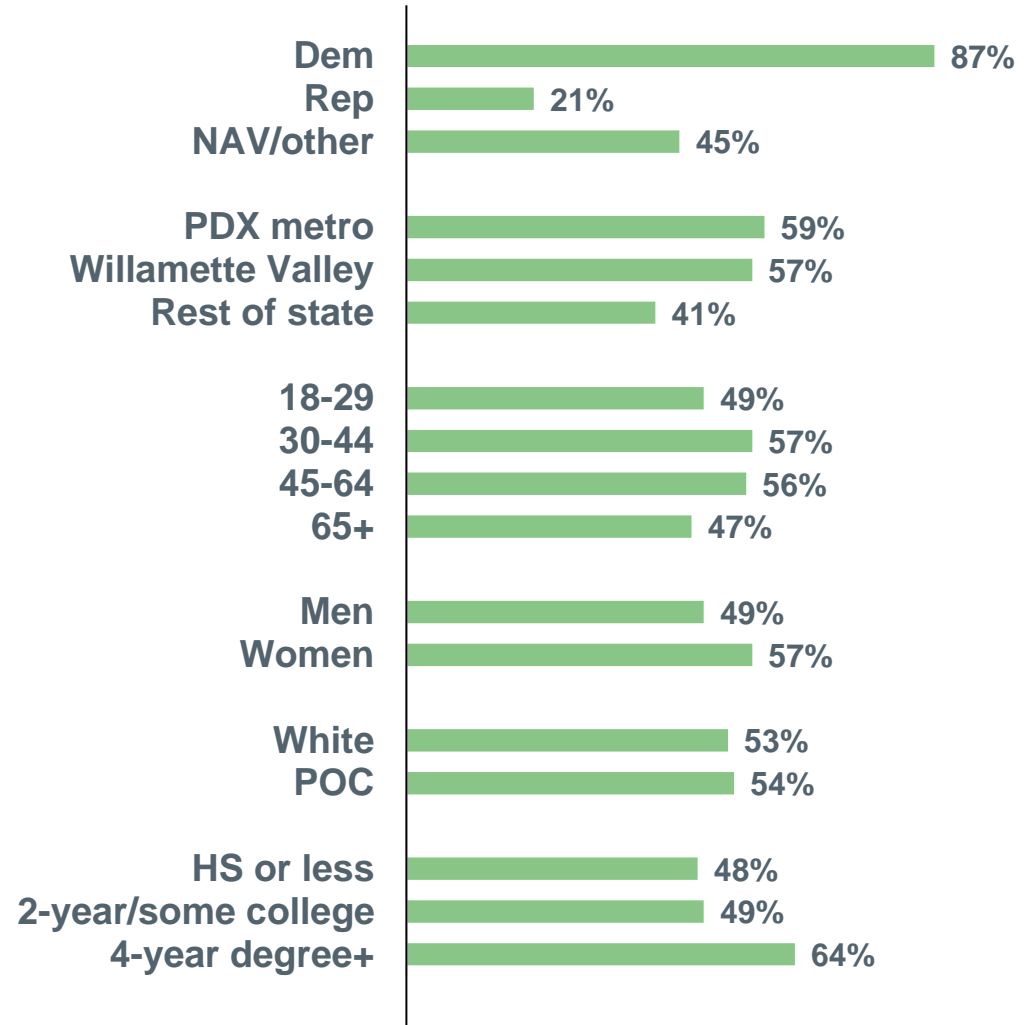
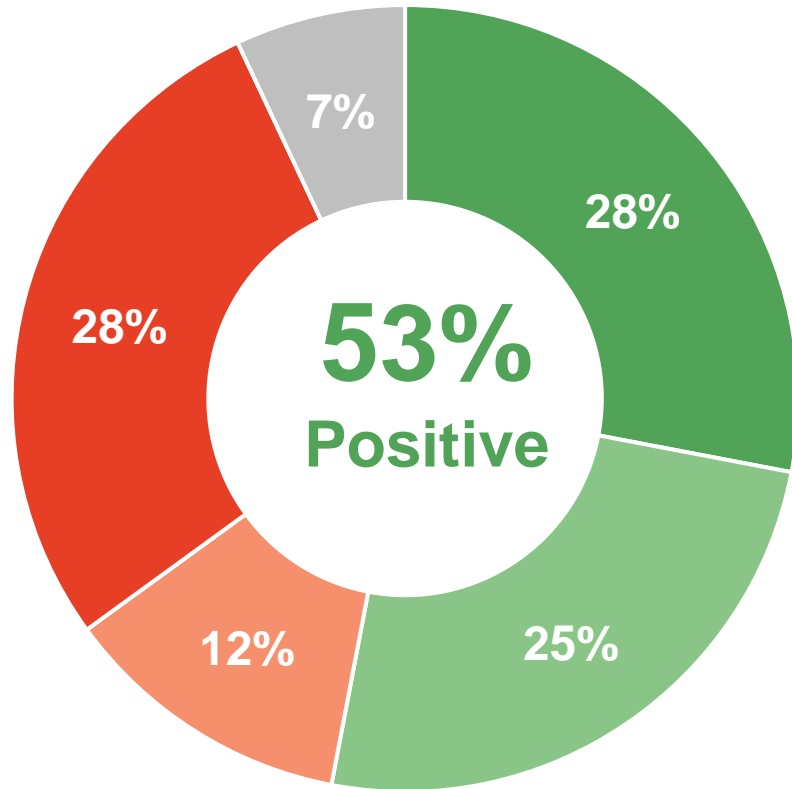
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# Impressions of President Joe Biden

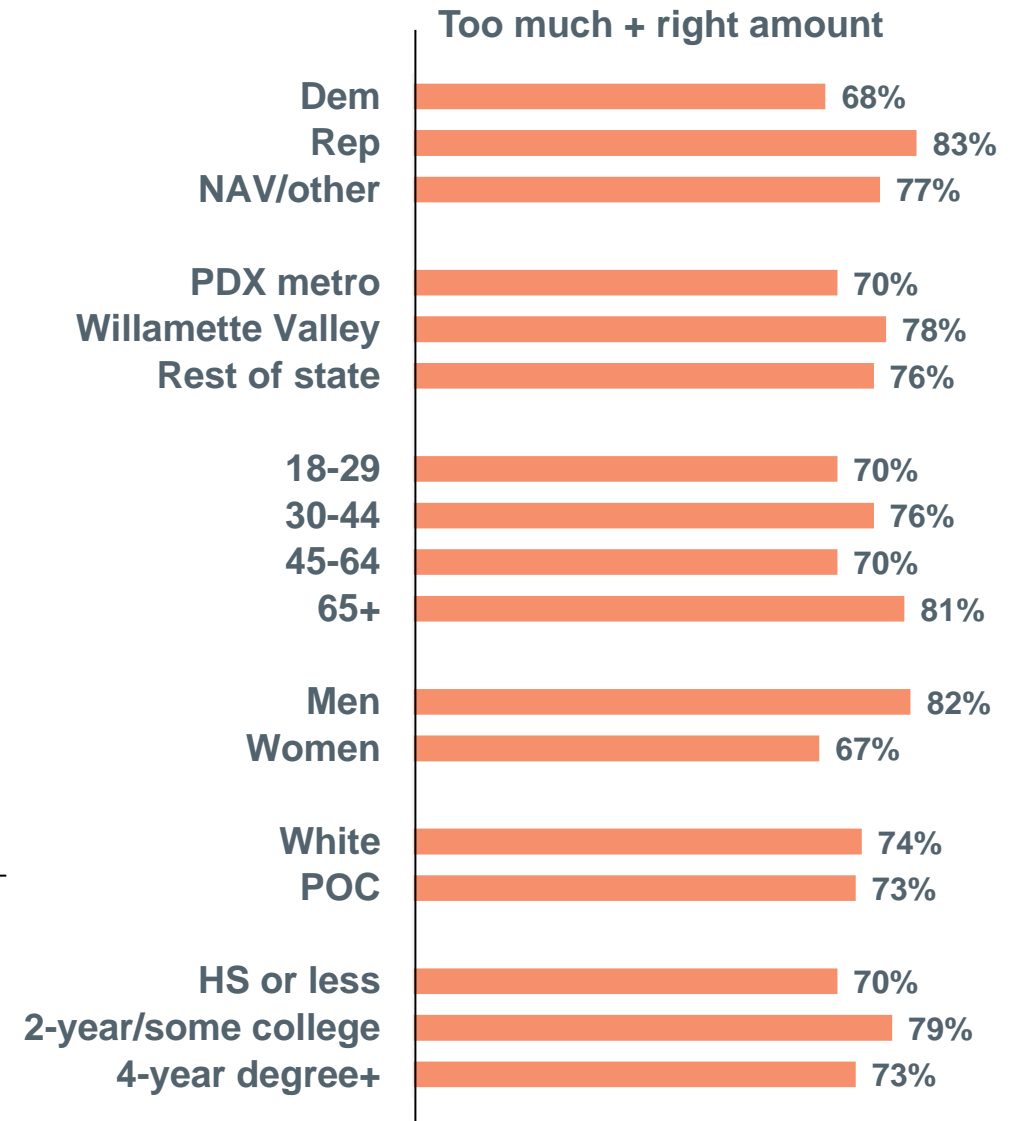
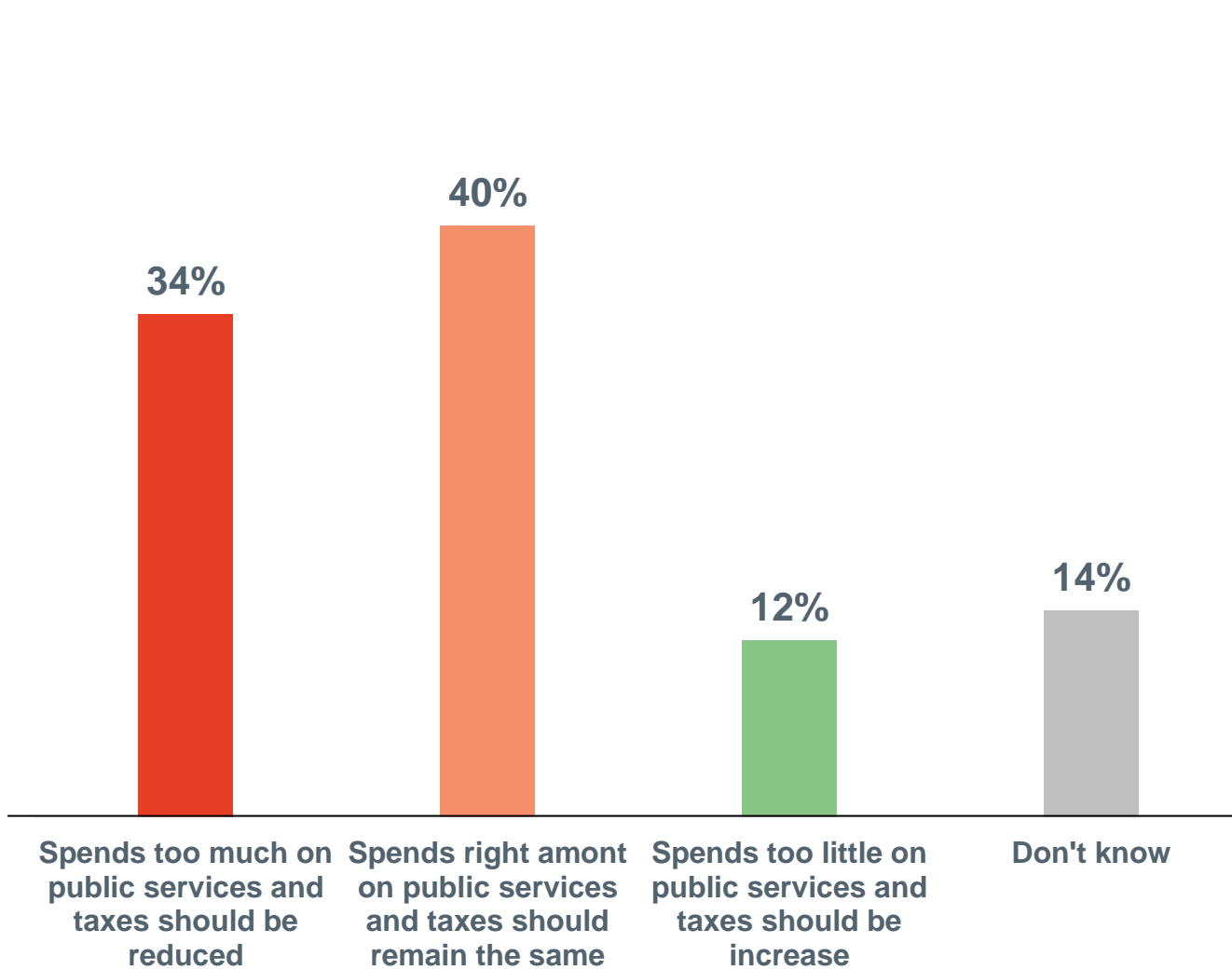
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**Legislative session**

**Taxes, spending & policy proposals**

# State taxes and spending



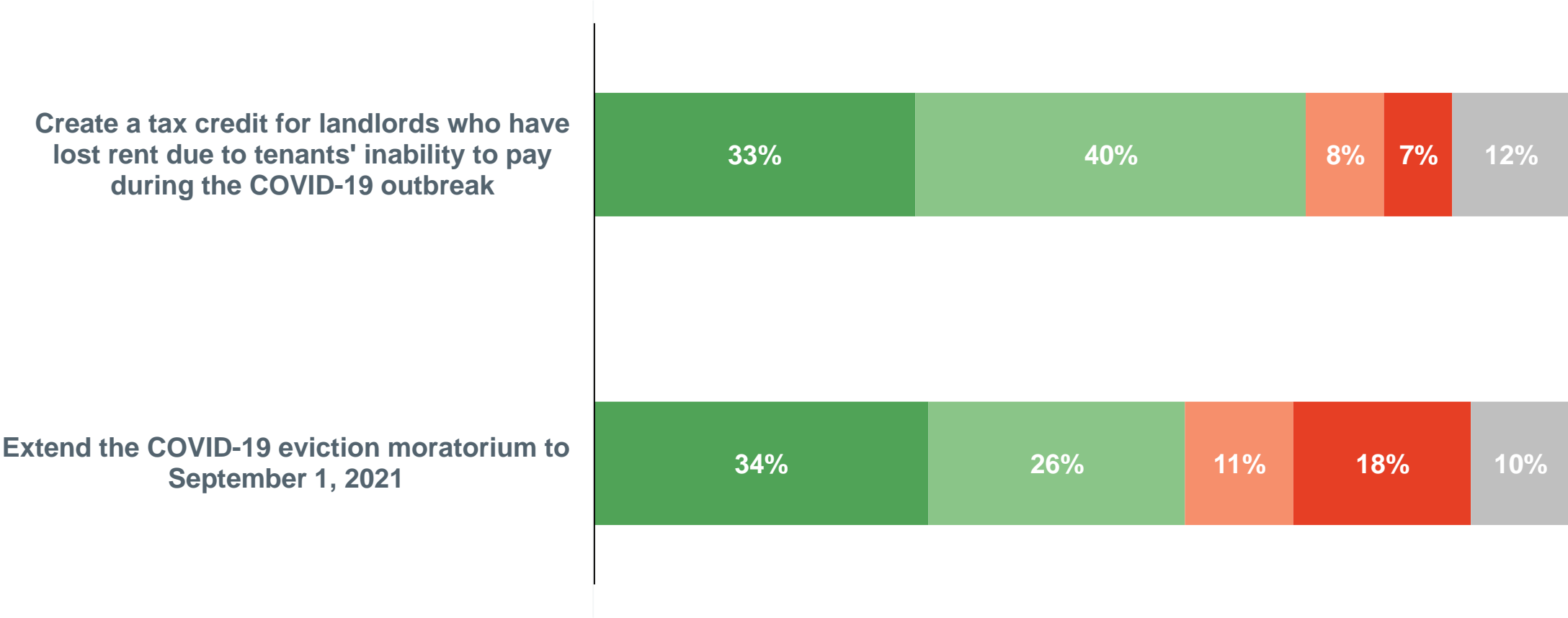
# Support for legislative proposals firearms, sentencing, pepper spray & prisoner voting

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# Support for legislative proposals landlord tax credits & eviction moratorium

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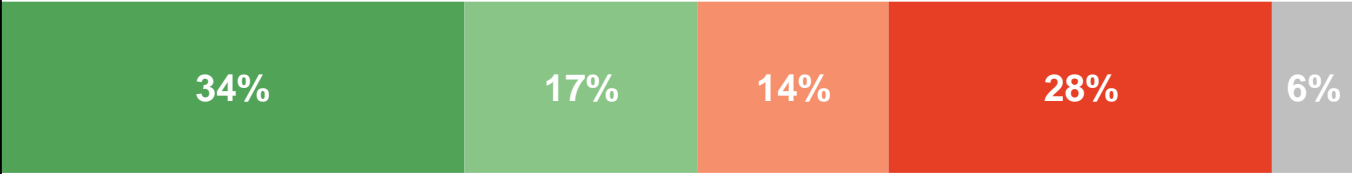
# Support for legislative proposals family leave, teacher union bargaining & minimum wage

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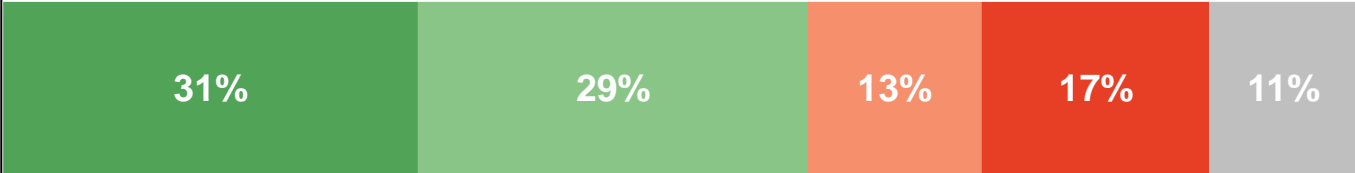




# Support for legislative proposals clean electricity & disposal responsibility

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Require 100% of the electricity sold to Oregon customers be from clean energy sources by 2035



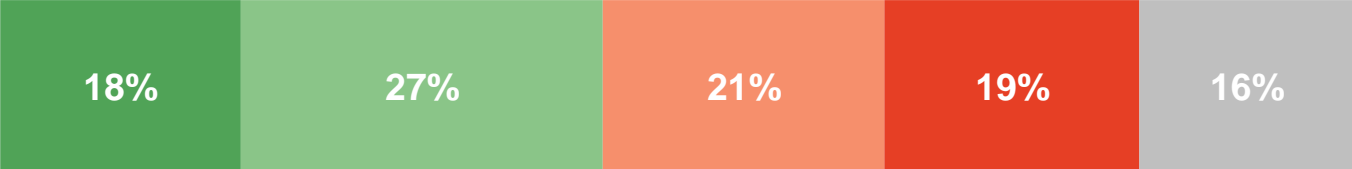
Require producers to share with customers the cost of handling and recycling their products and packaging



# Support for legislative proposals bike and pedestrian funding & diesel

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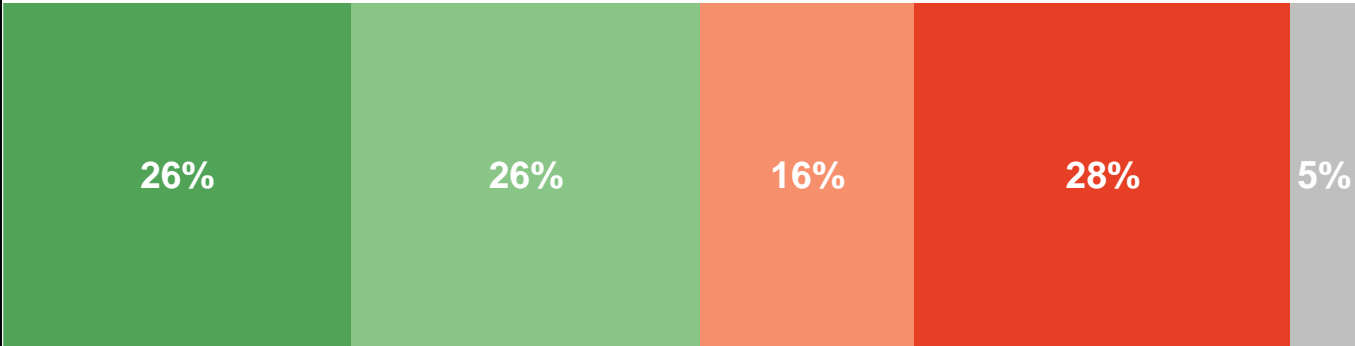
Prohibit the sale of diesel for motor vehicles by 2024 in the Portland metro area and by 2028 statewide



# Support for legislative proposals beer, wine & cider taxes

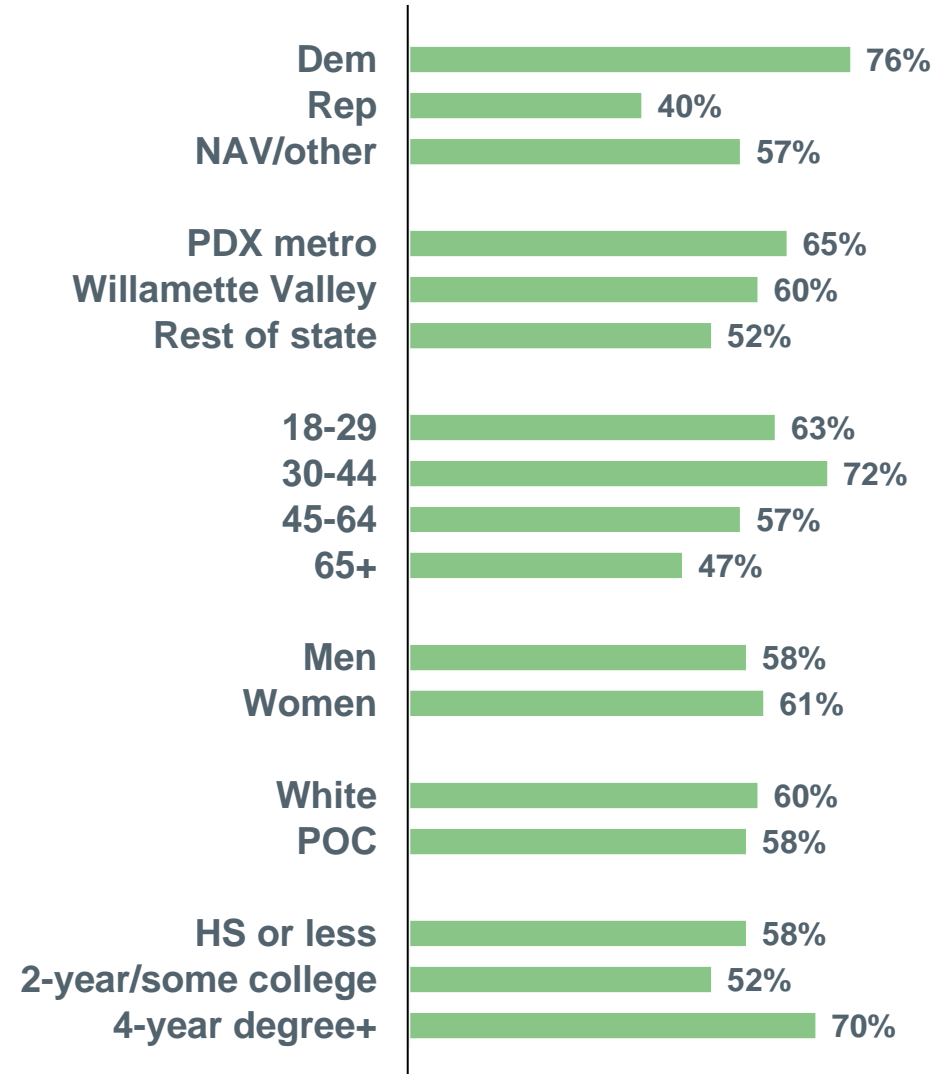
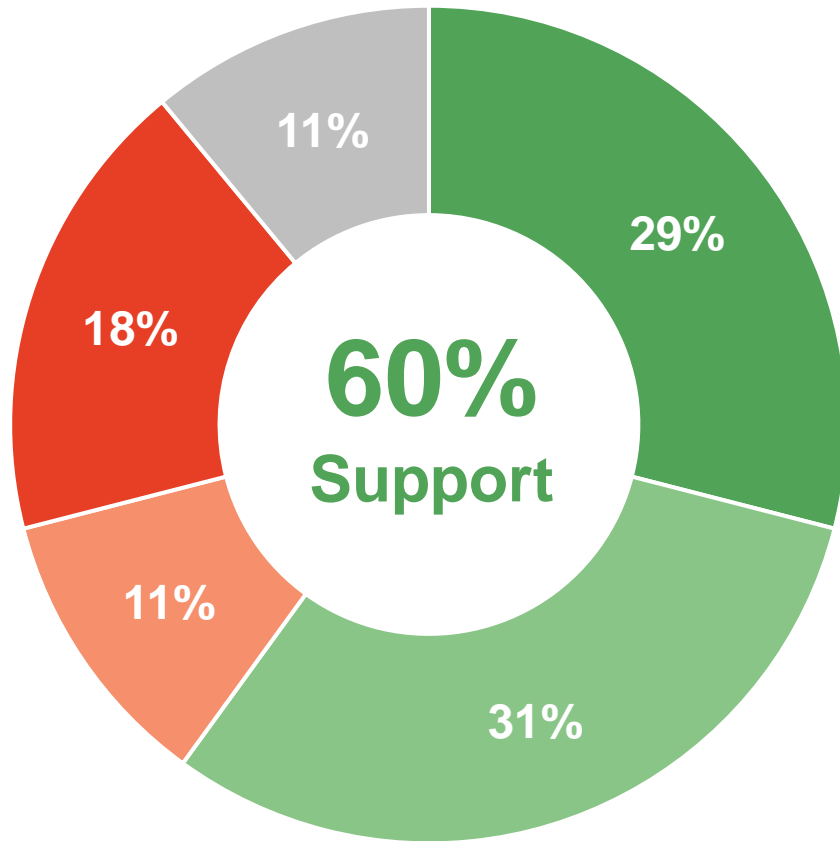
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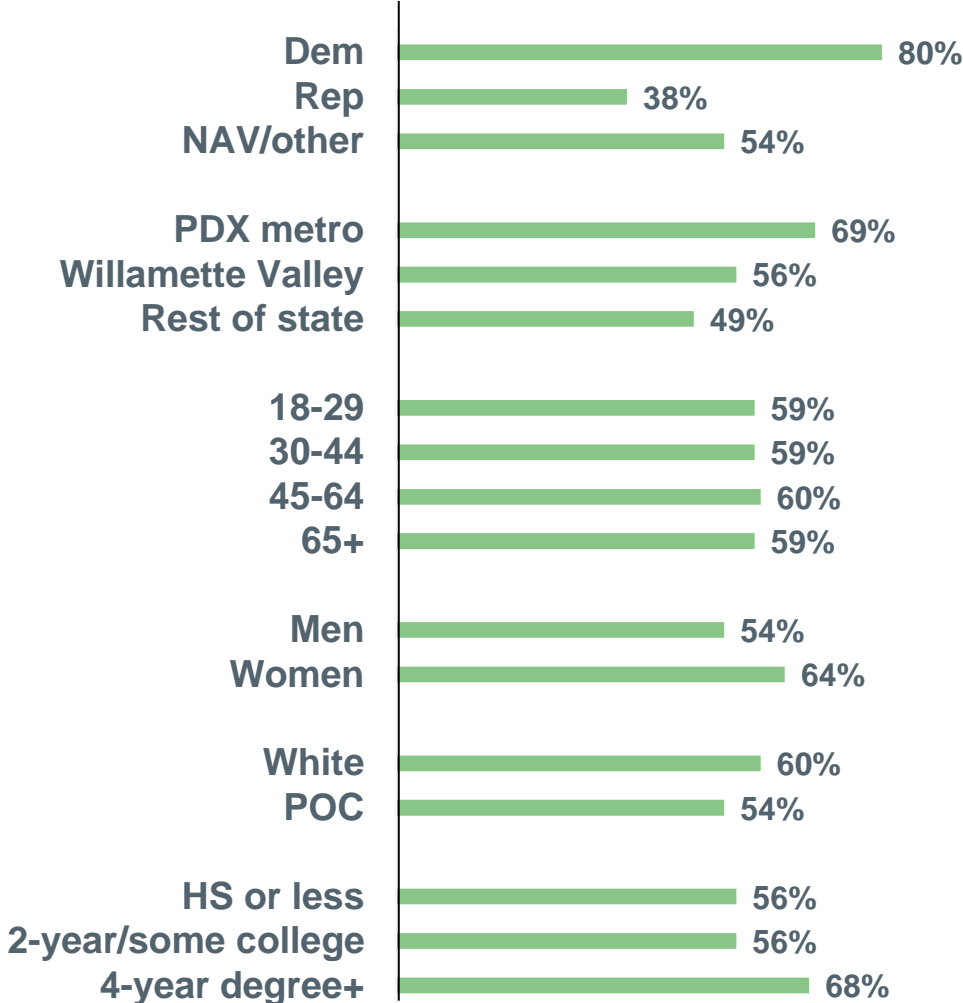
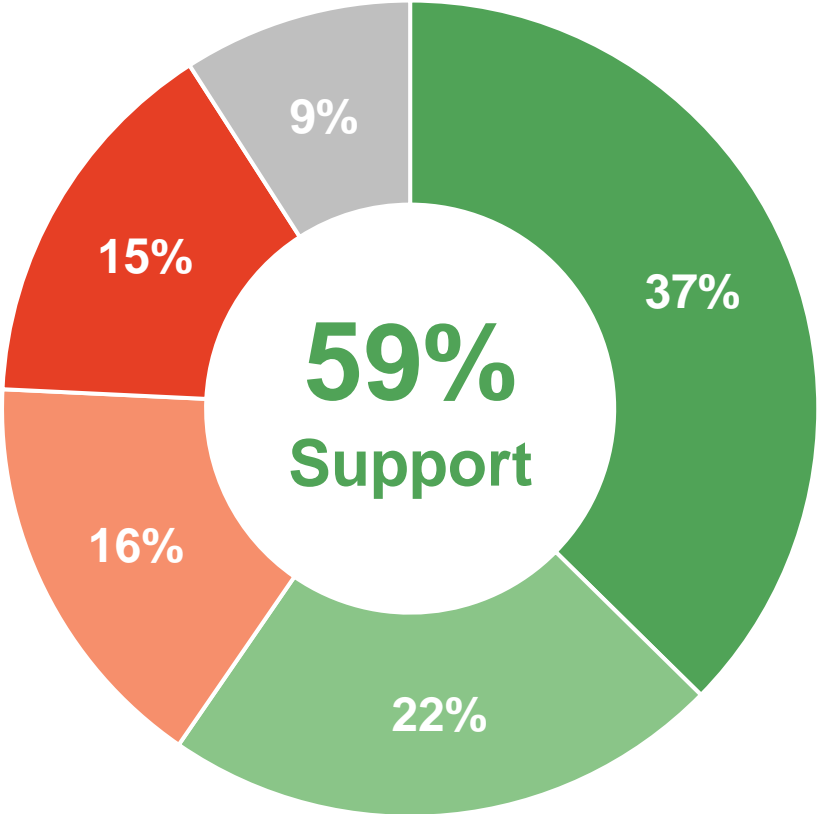
# Eliminate mandatory minimum prison sentences for non-violent crimes

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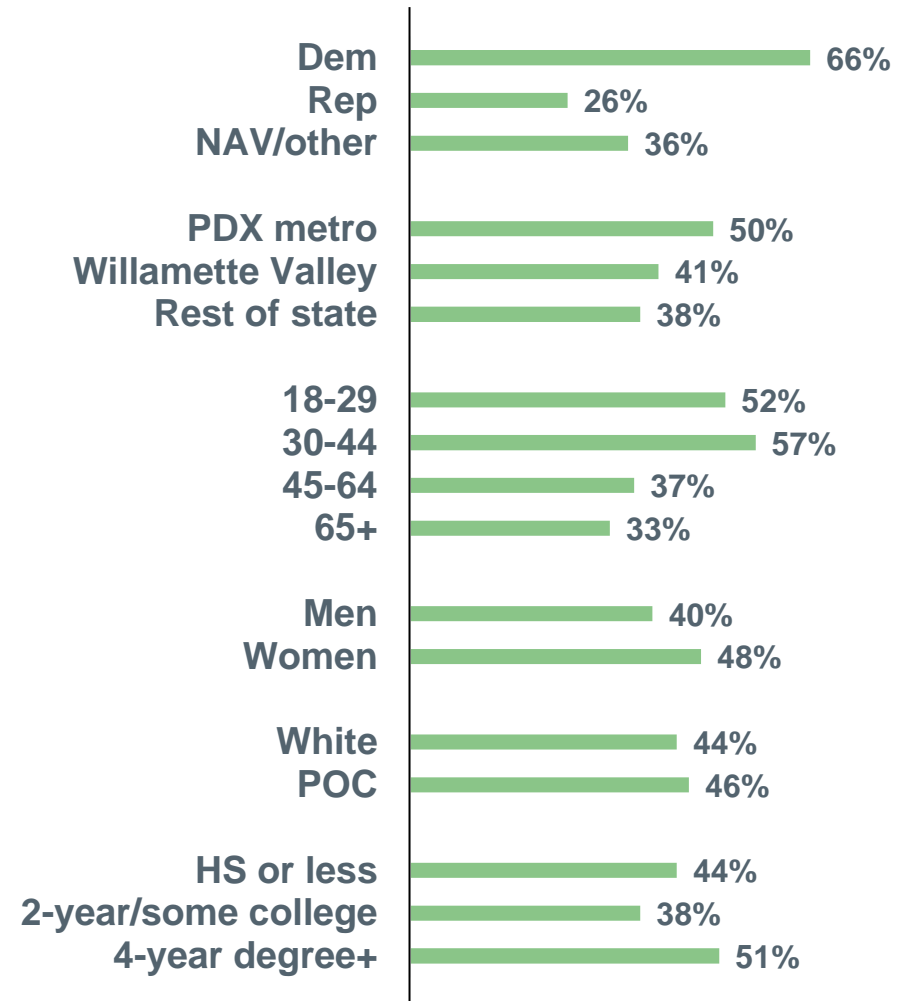
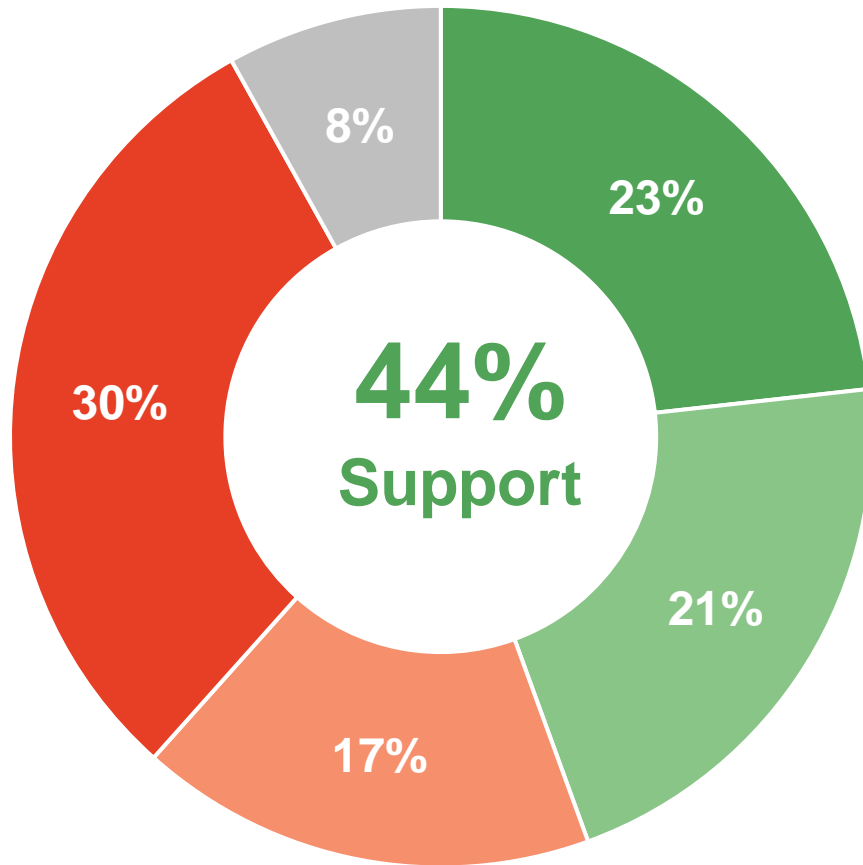
# Allow school districts, state and local governments, and other public entities to prohibit firearms in their buildings

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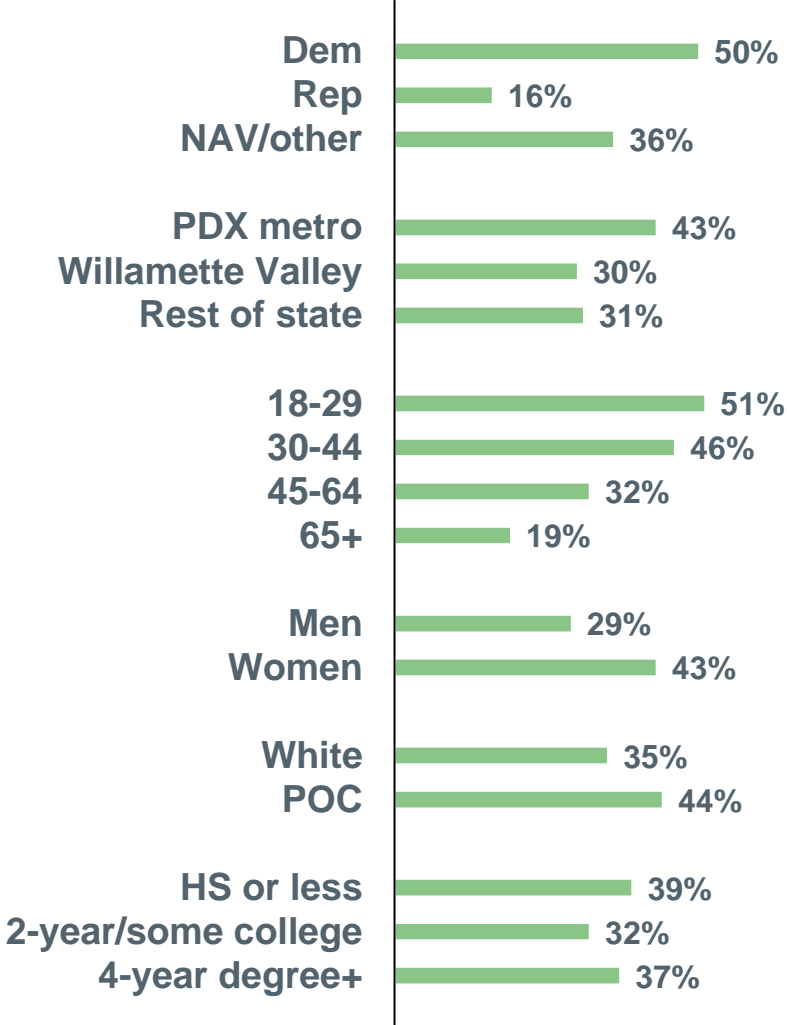
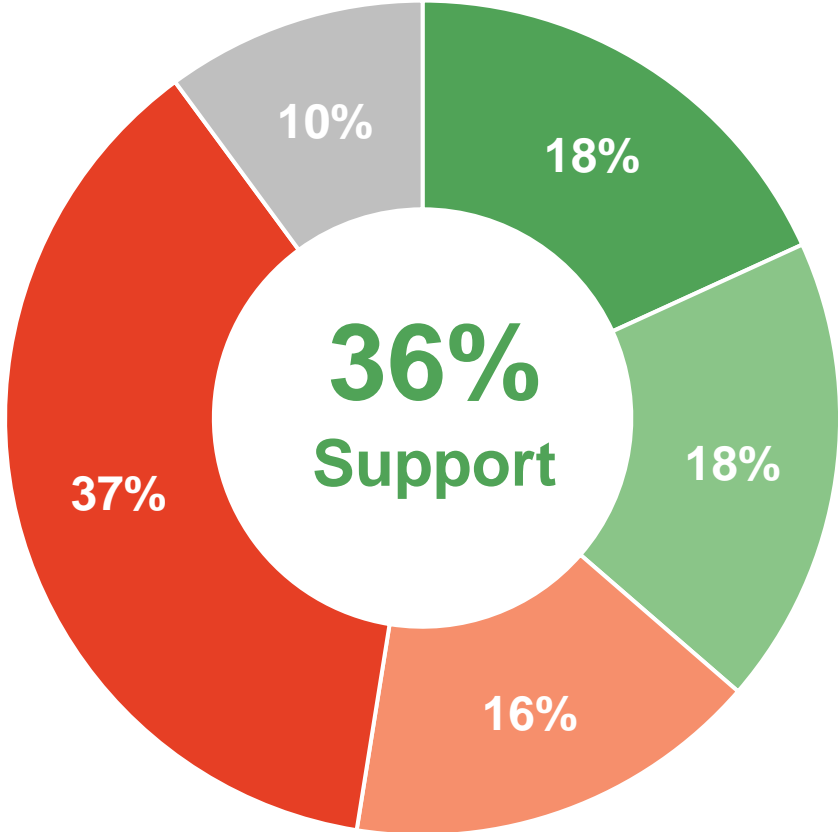
# Prohibit police from using pepper spray except when riots are officially declared

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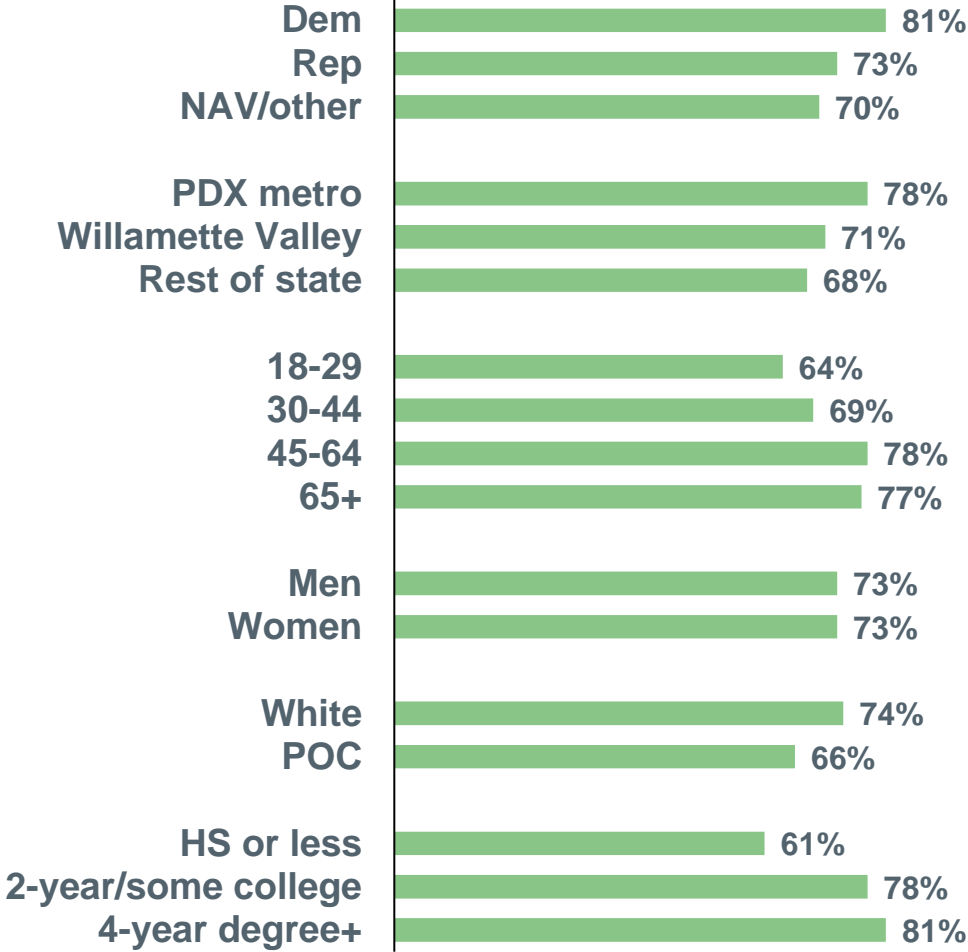
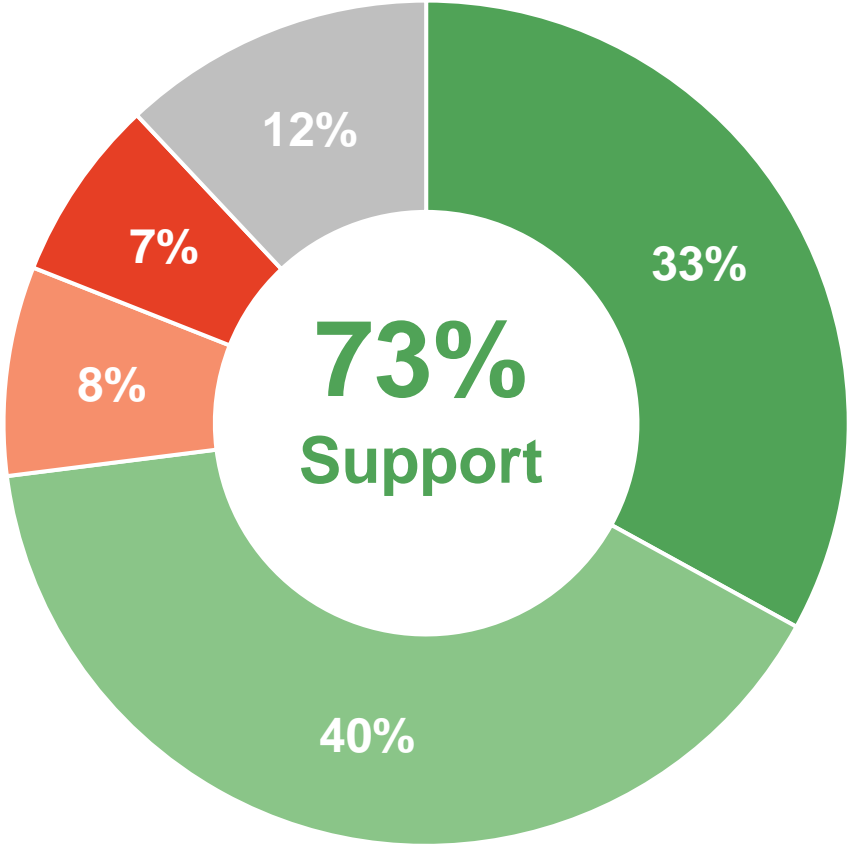
# Allow persons convicted of felonies to register and vote in elections while in prison

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# Create a tax credit for landlords who have lost rent due to tenants' inability to pay during the COVID-19 outbreak

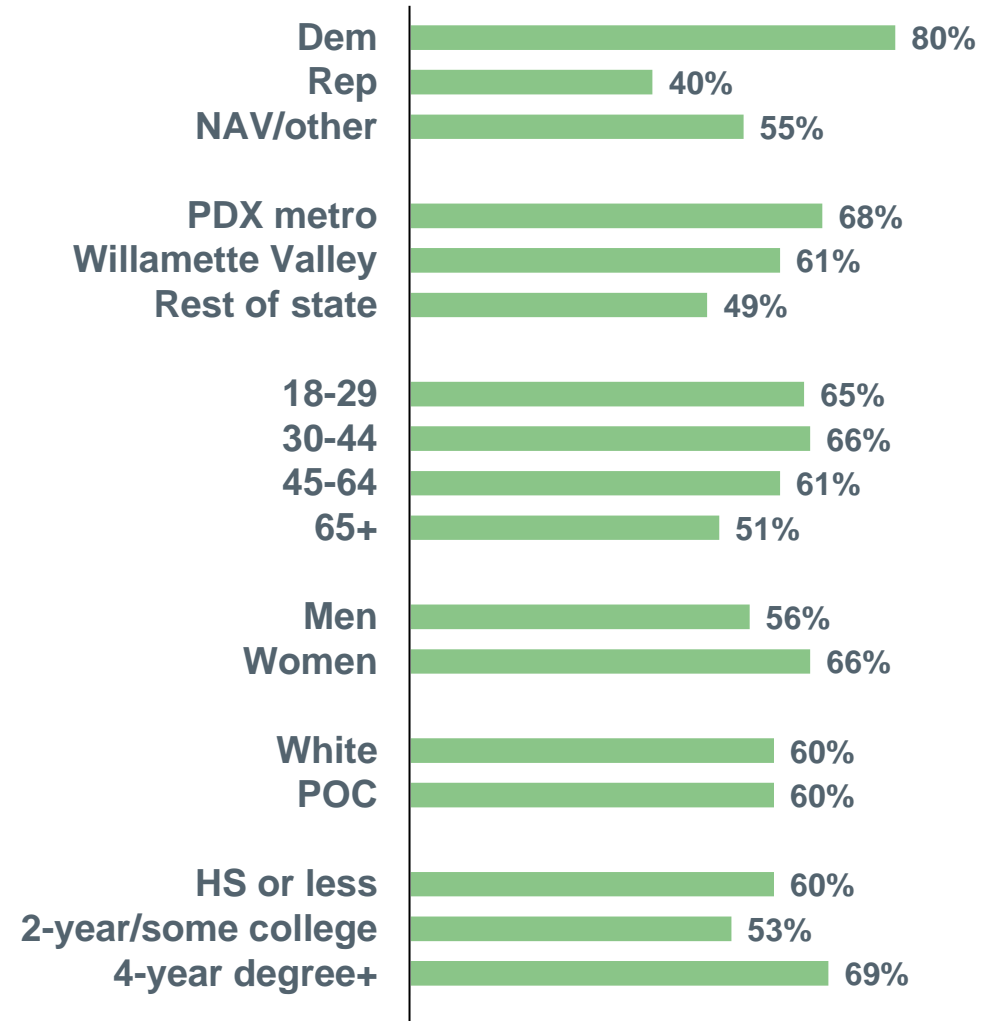
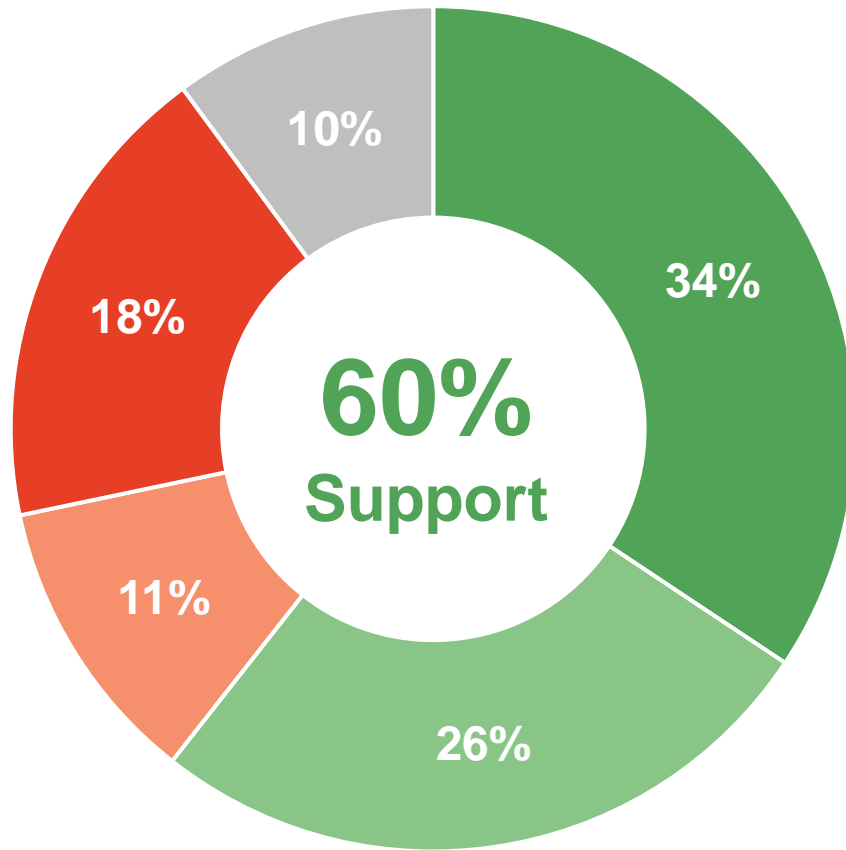
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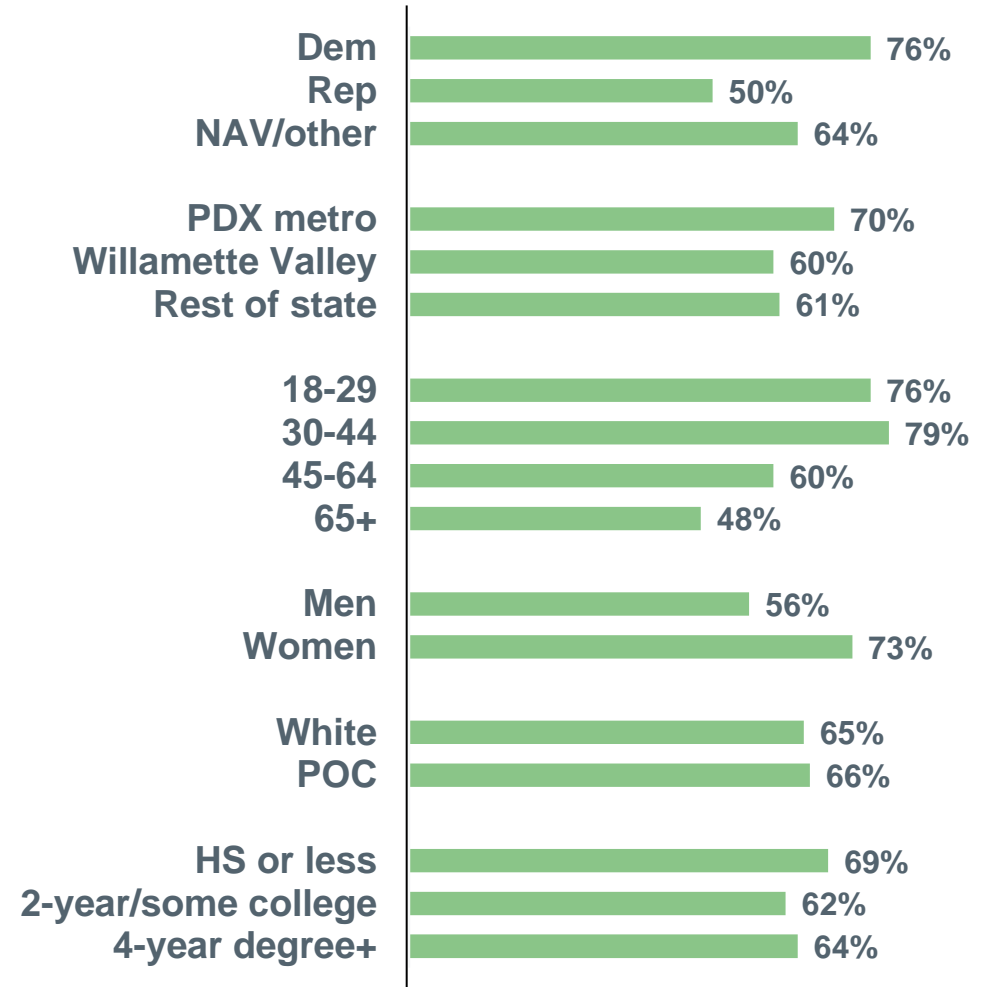
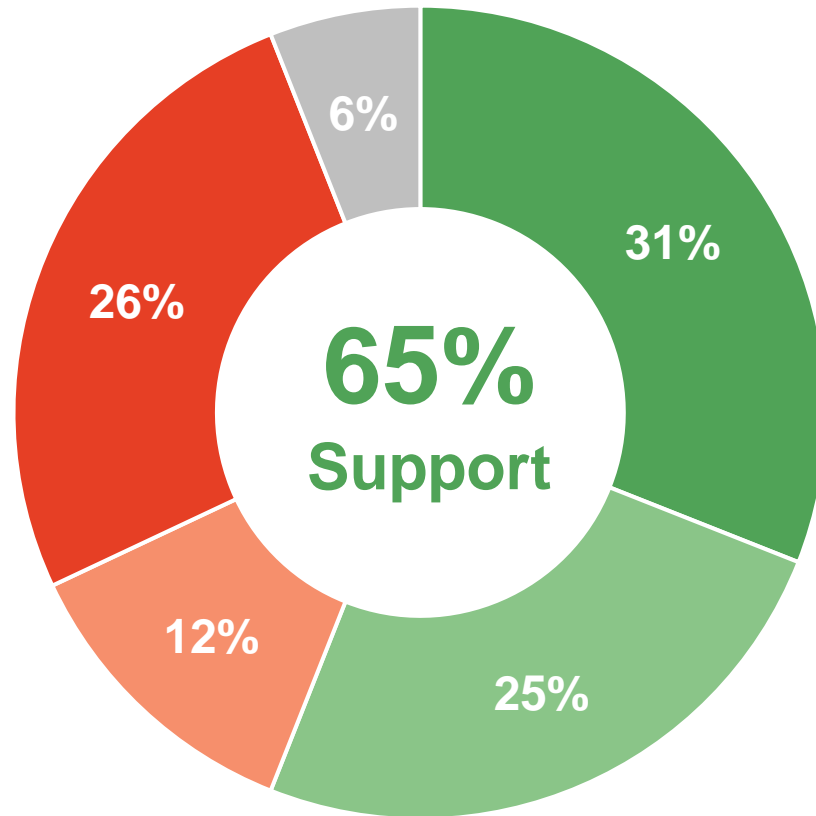
# Extend the COVID-19 eviction moratorium to September 1, 2021

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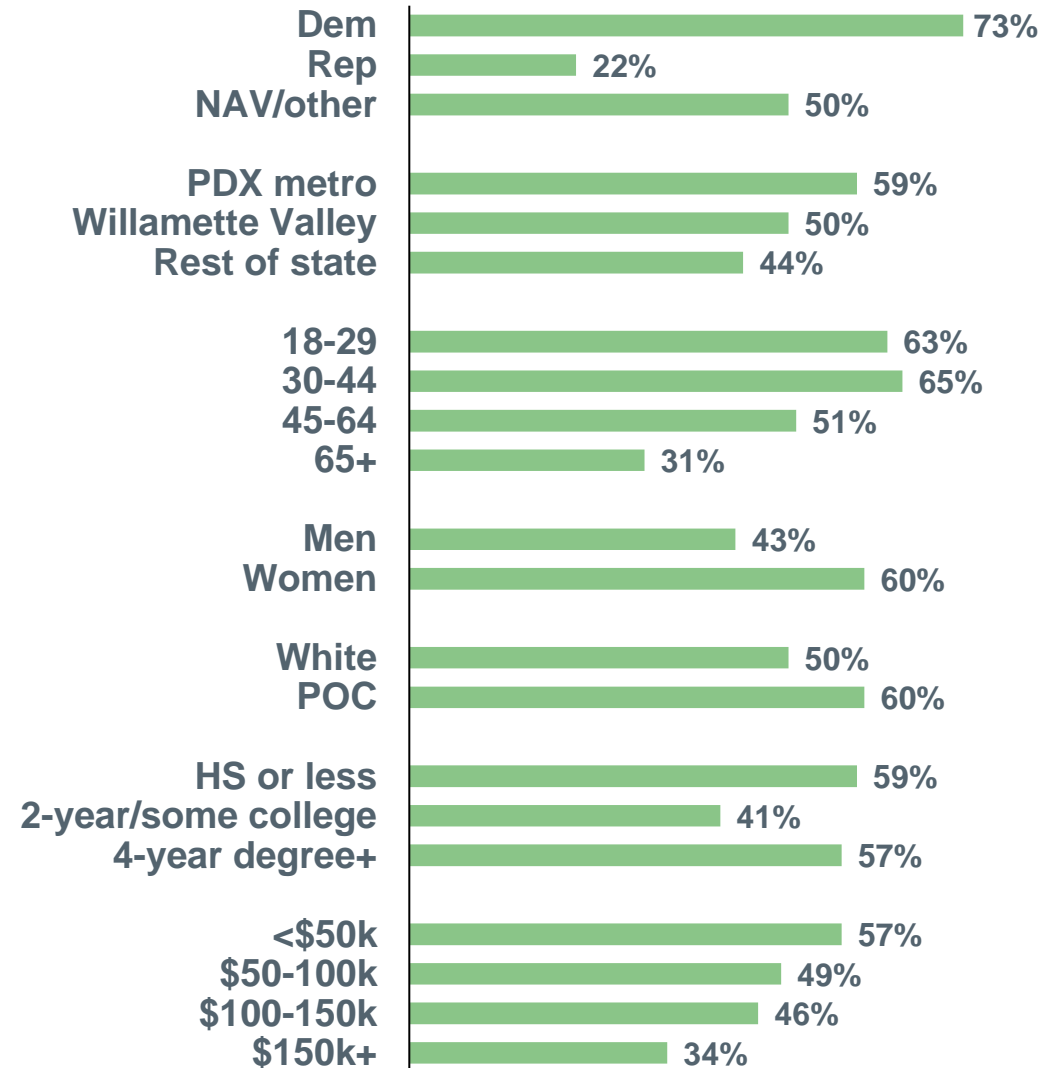
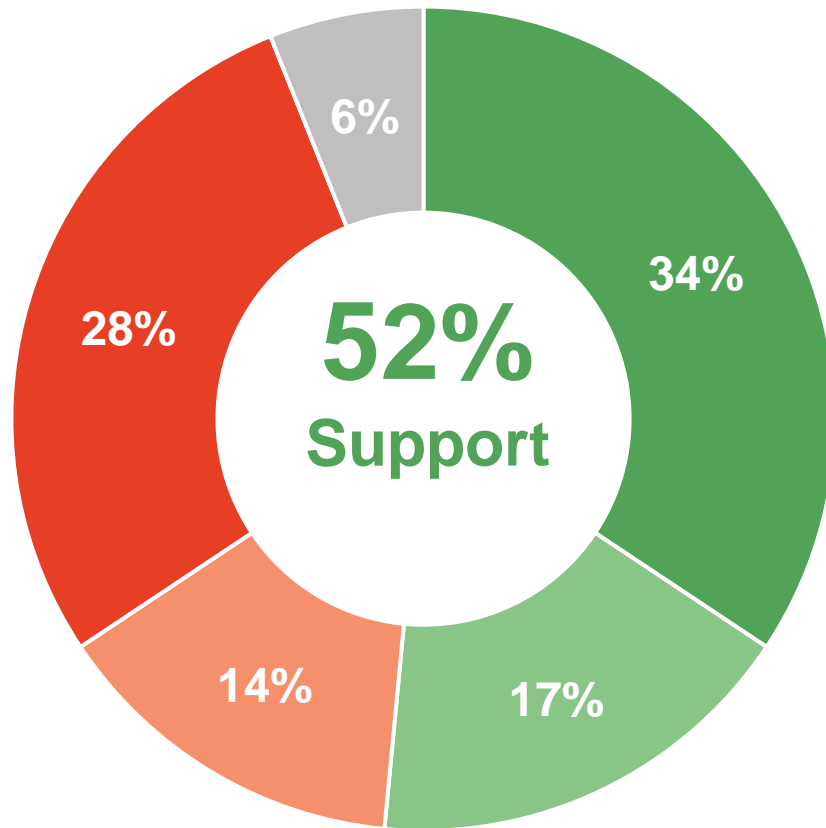
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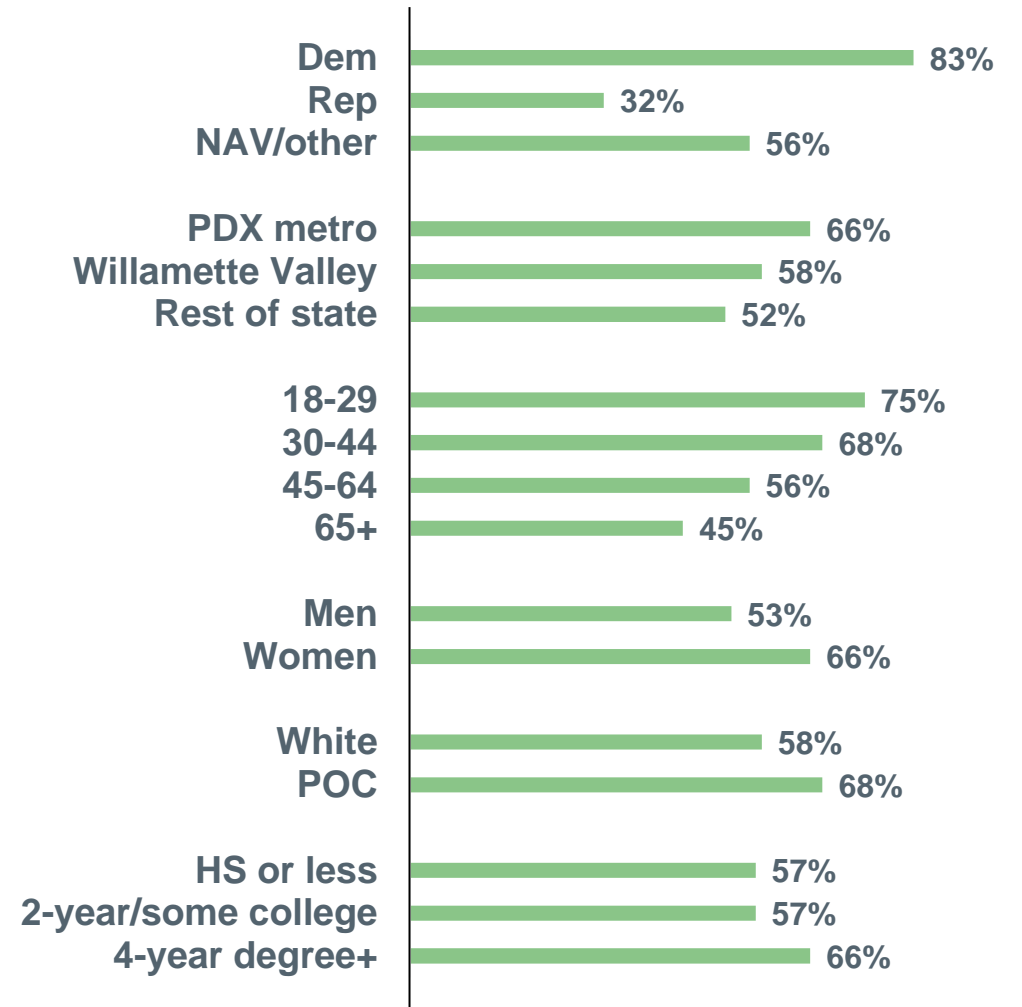
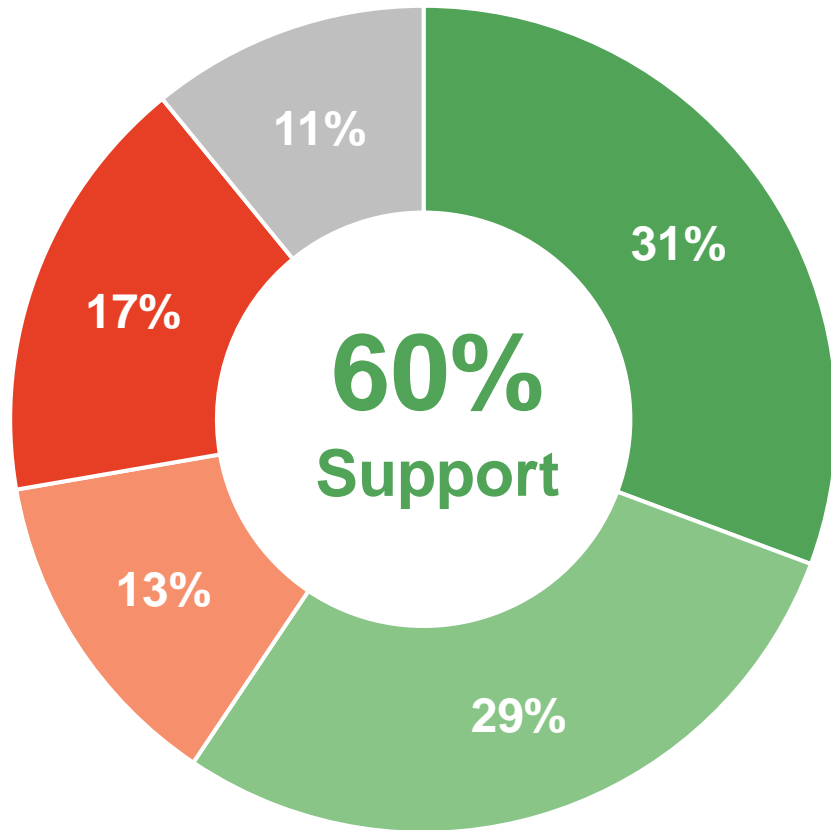
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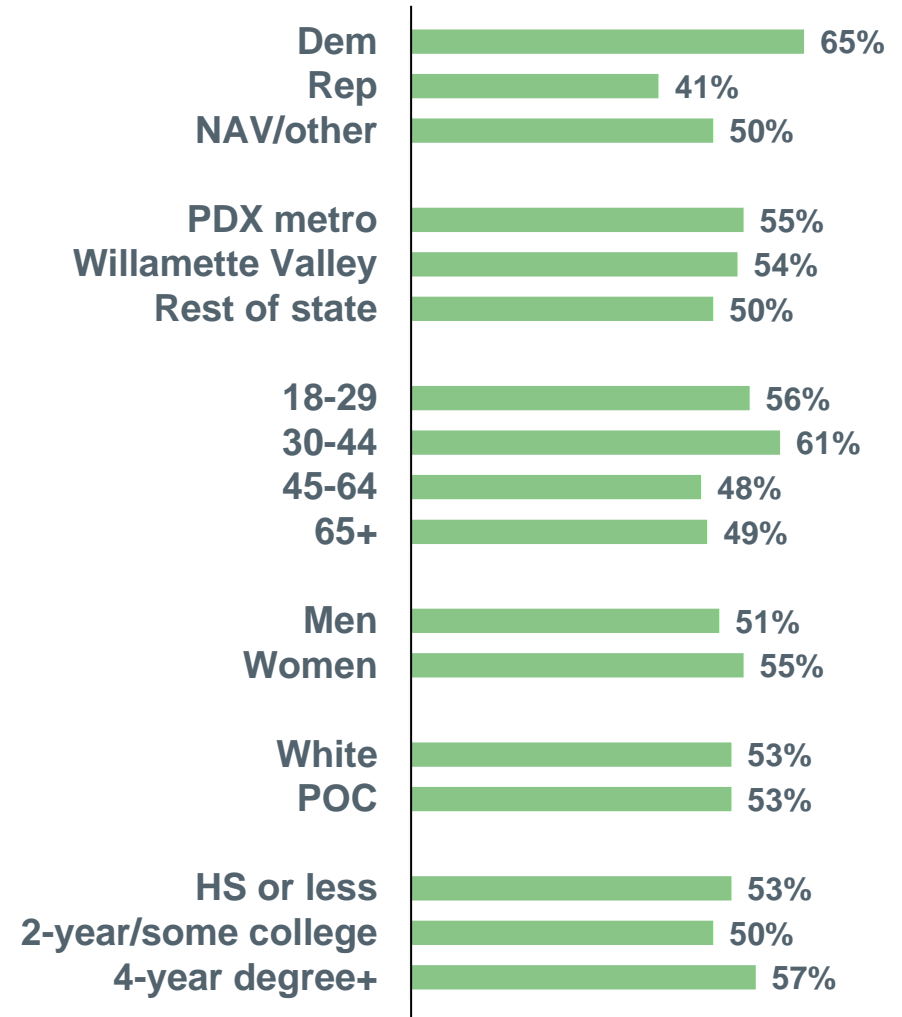
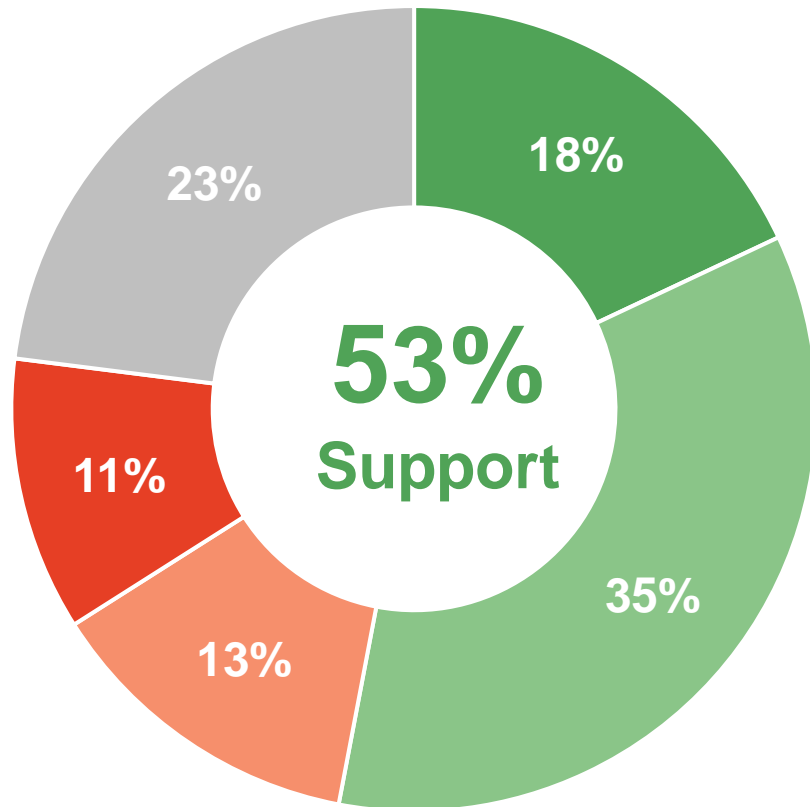
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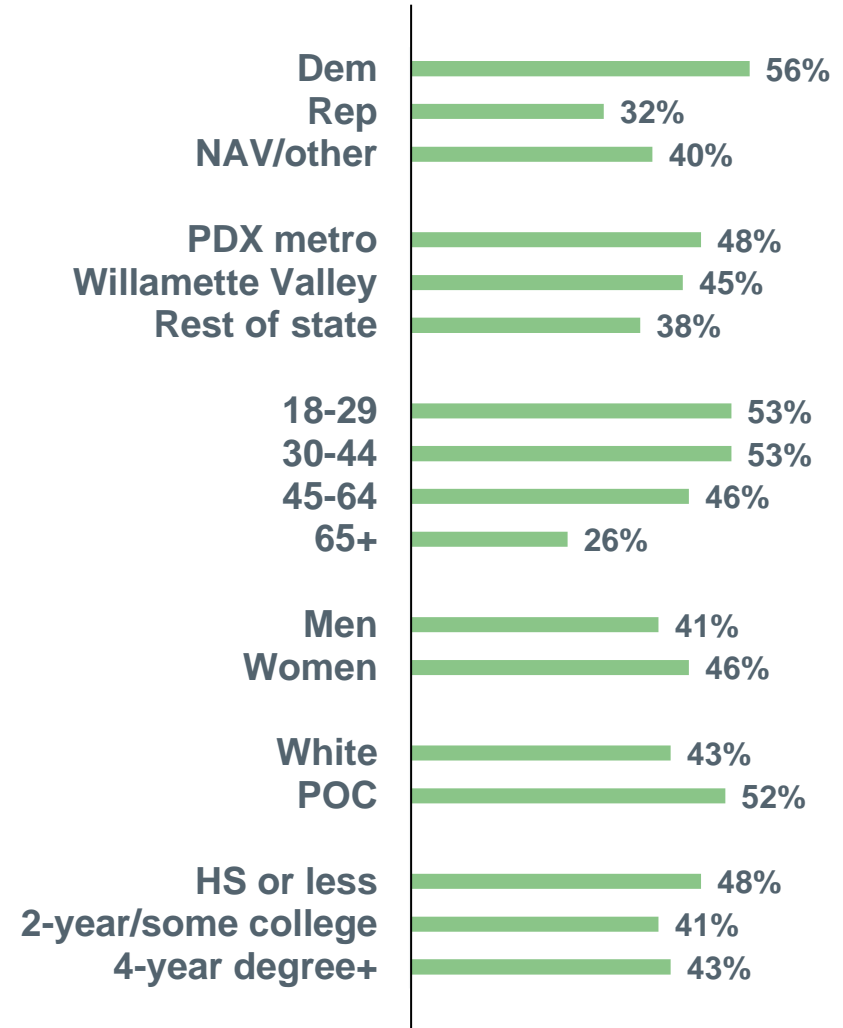
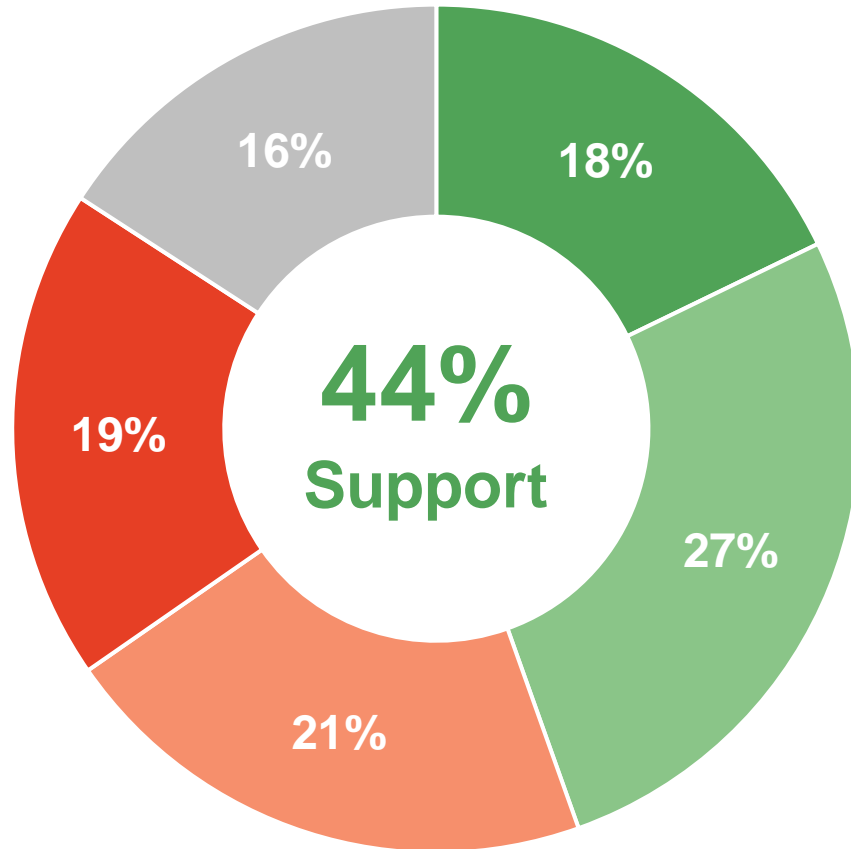
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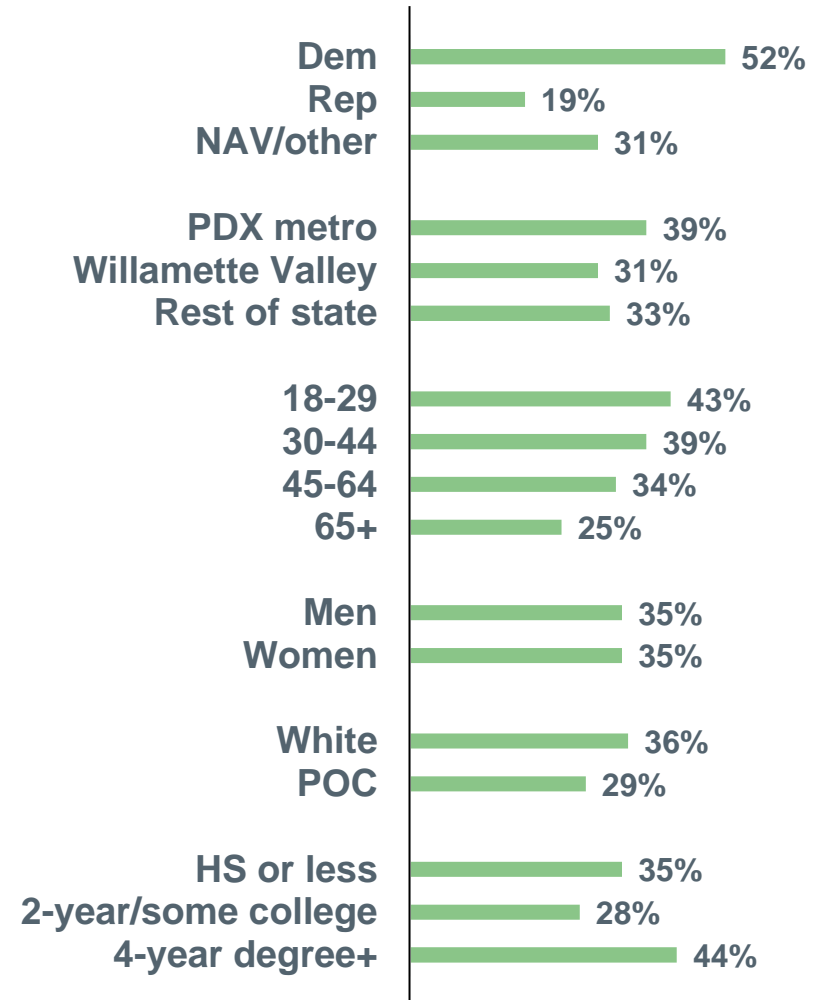
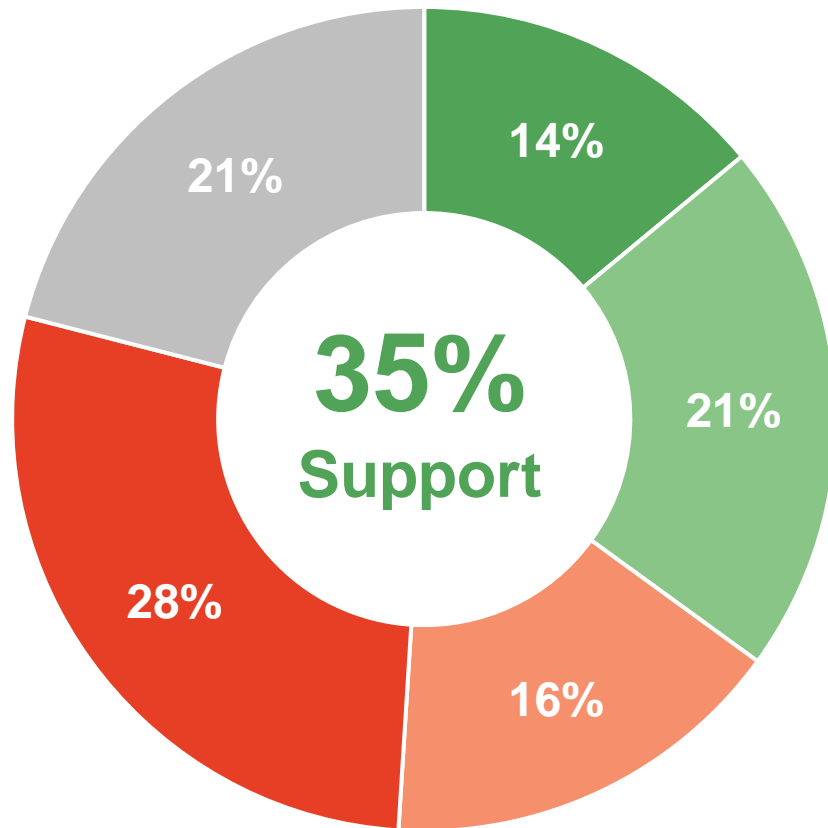
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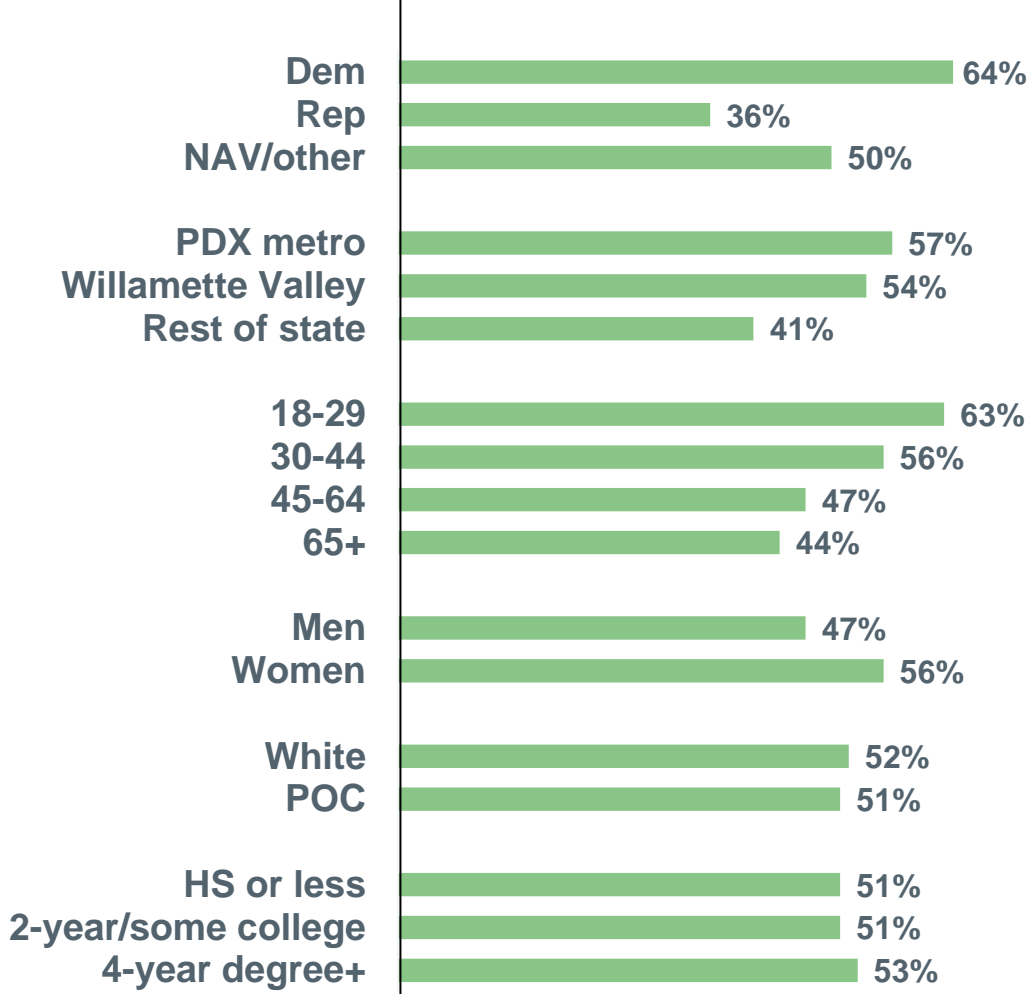
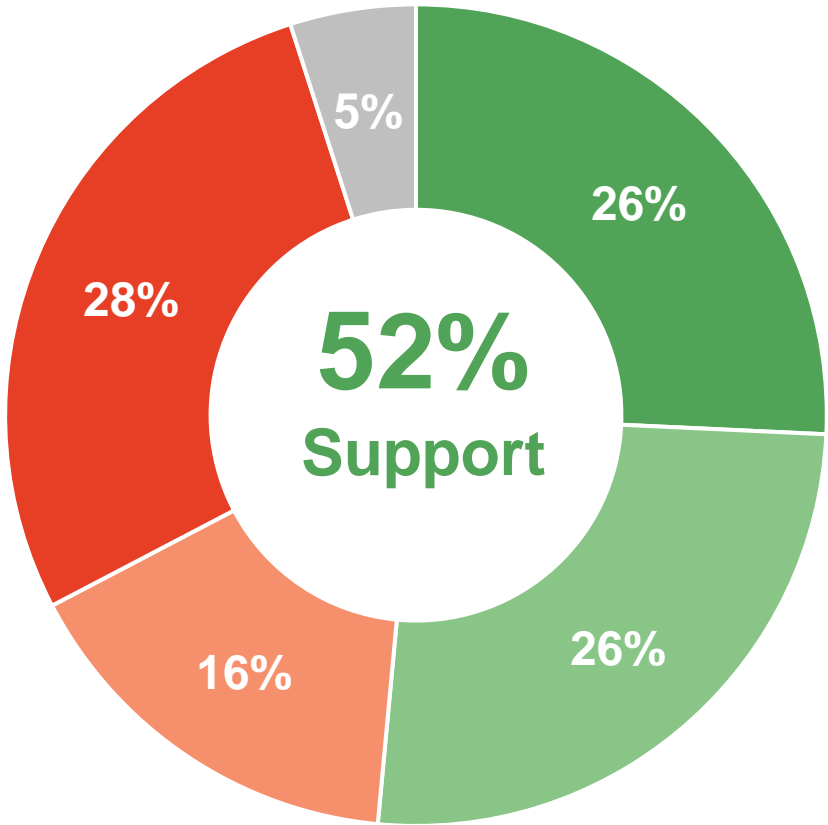
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**Redistricting**

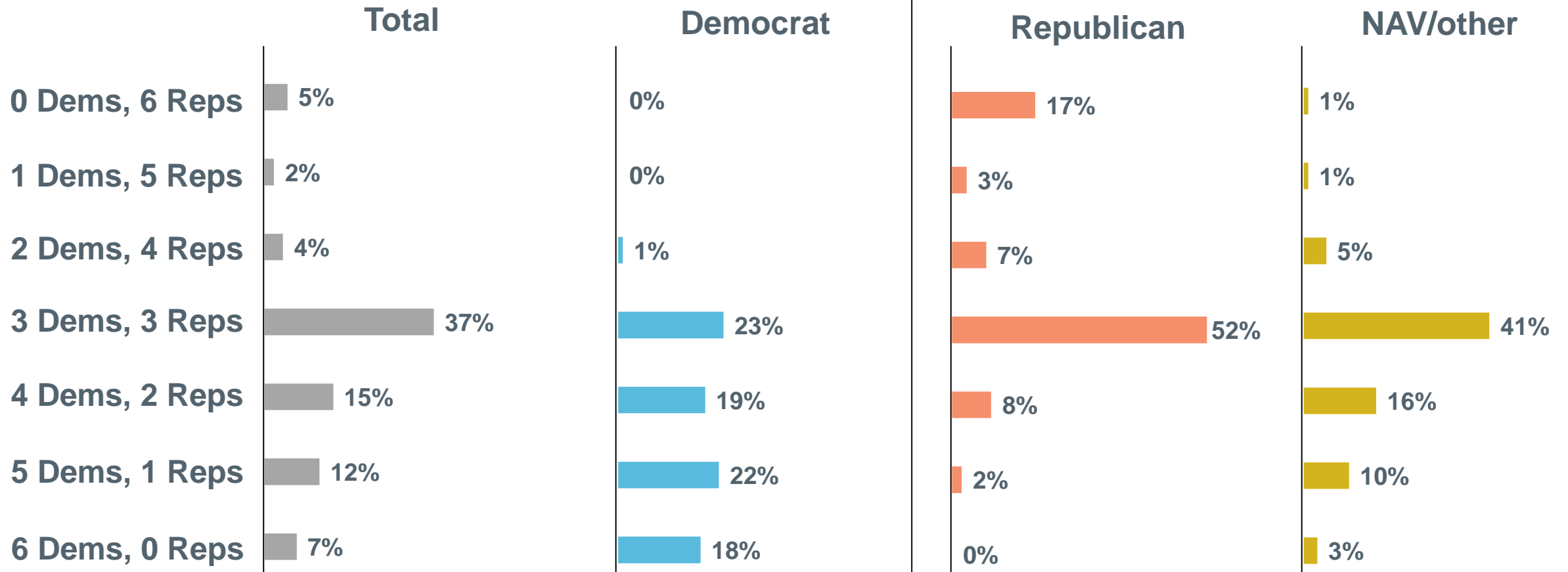
**Partisan make-up of US House members**

**Oregon has five members of the United States House of Representatives. Because of population growth, Oregon is expected to gain an additional seat in 2022, for a total of six members.**

**The current partisan makeup of Oregon's members of the United States House of Representatives is four Democrats and one Republican.**

**What do you think would be the most reasonable partisan makeup after the new district lines are drawn and elections held?**

# Most reasonable partisan makeup after the new district lines are drawn and elections held

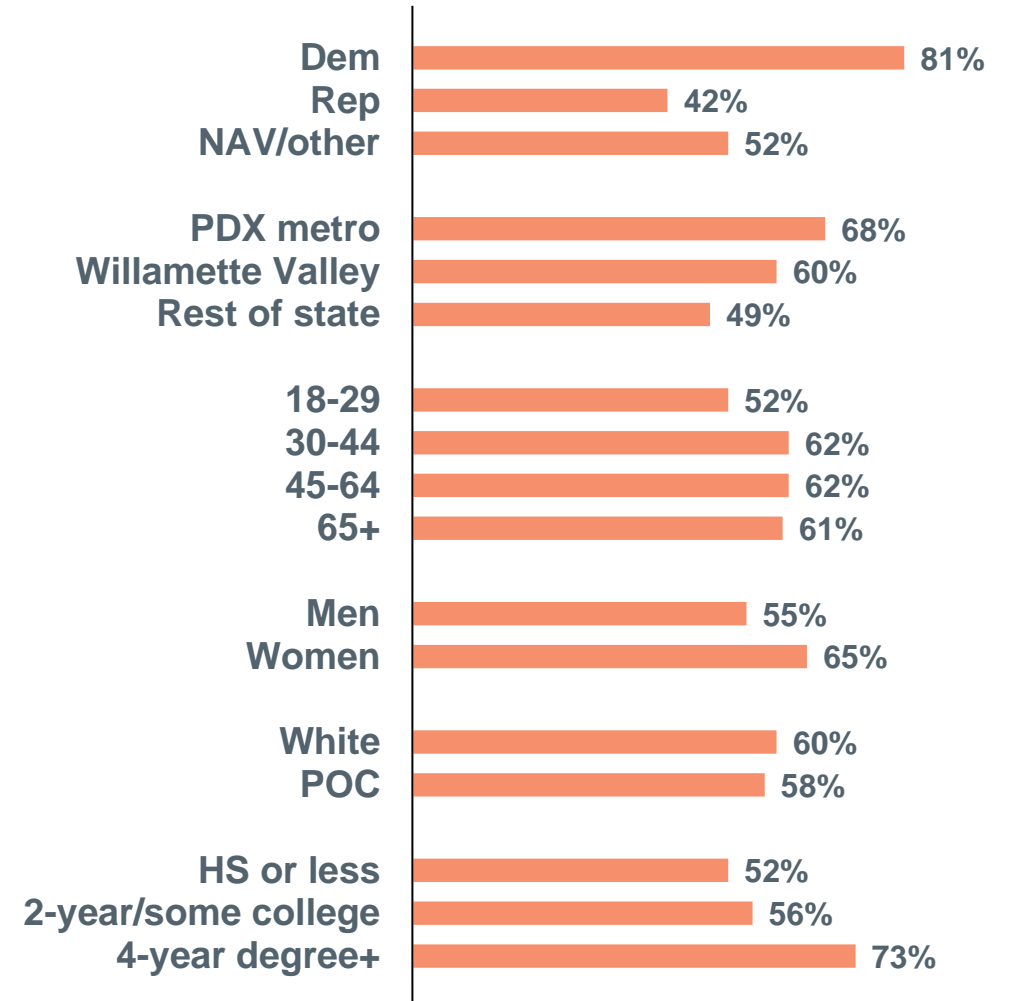
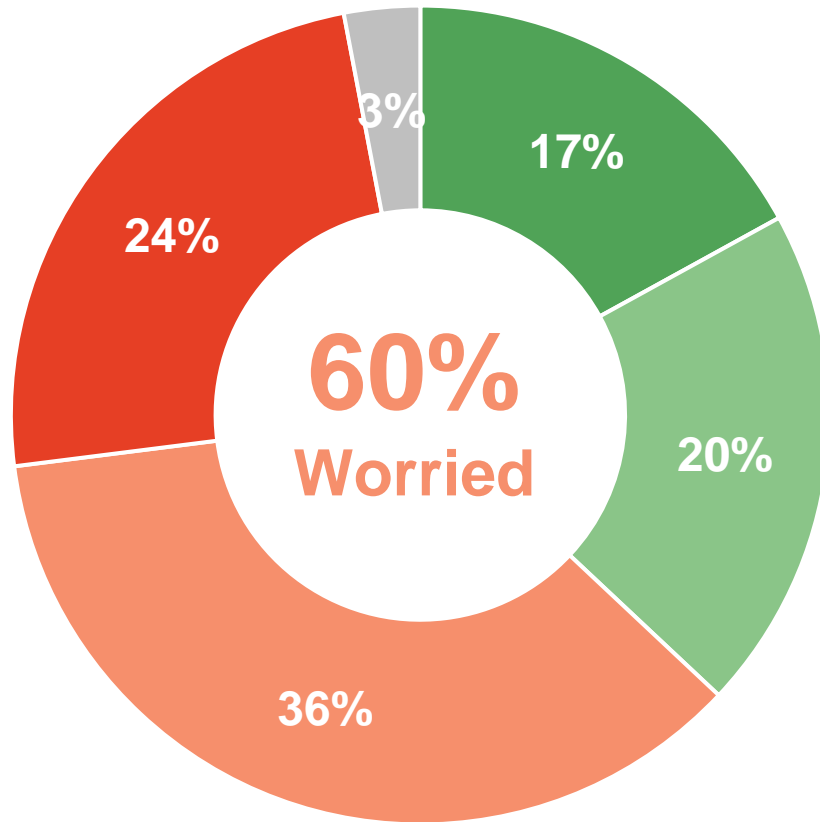


# **COVID-19**

**Worry, job performance, vaccines, schools**

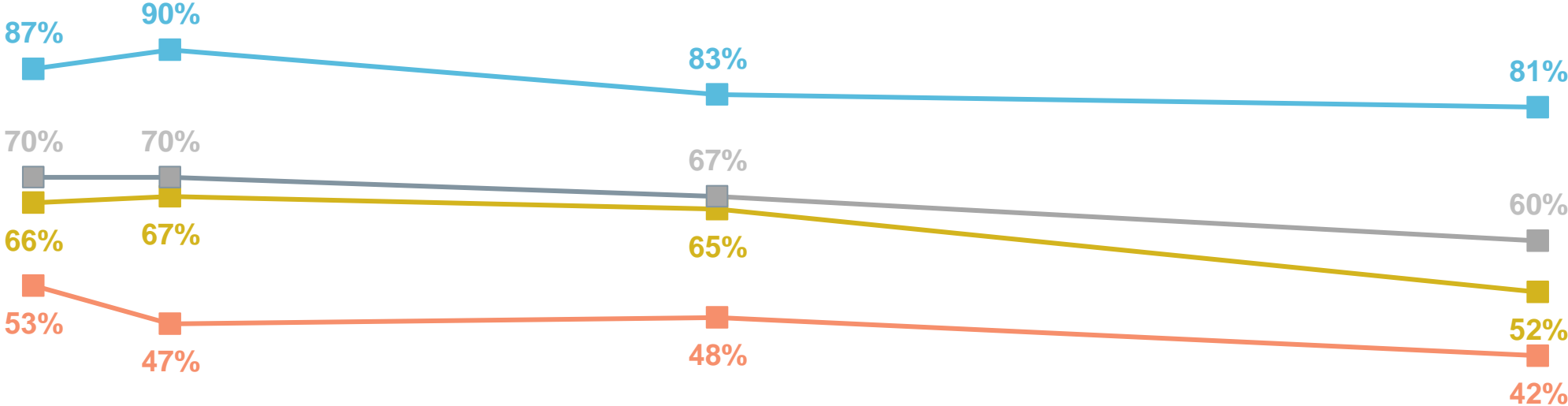
# Worry about spread of COVID-19 in your community

Very worried / Somewhat worried / Not too worried / Not at all worried / Don't know



# Worry about spread of COVID-19 in your community

Democrat / Republican / NAV/other / Total



April 2020

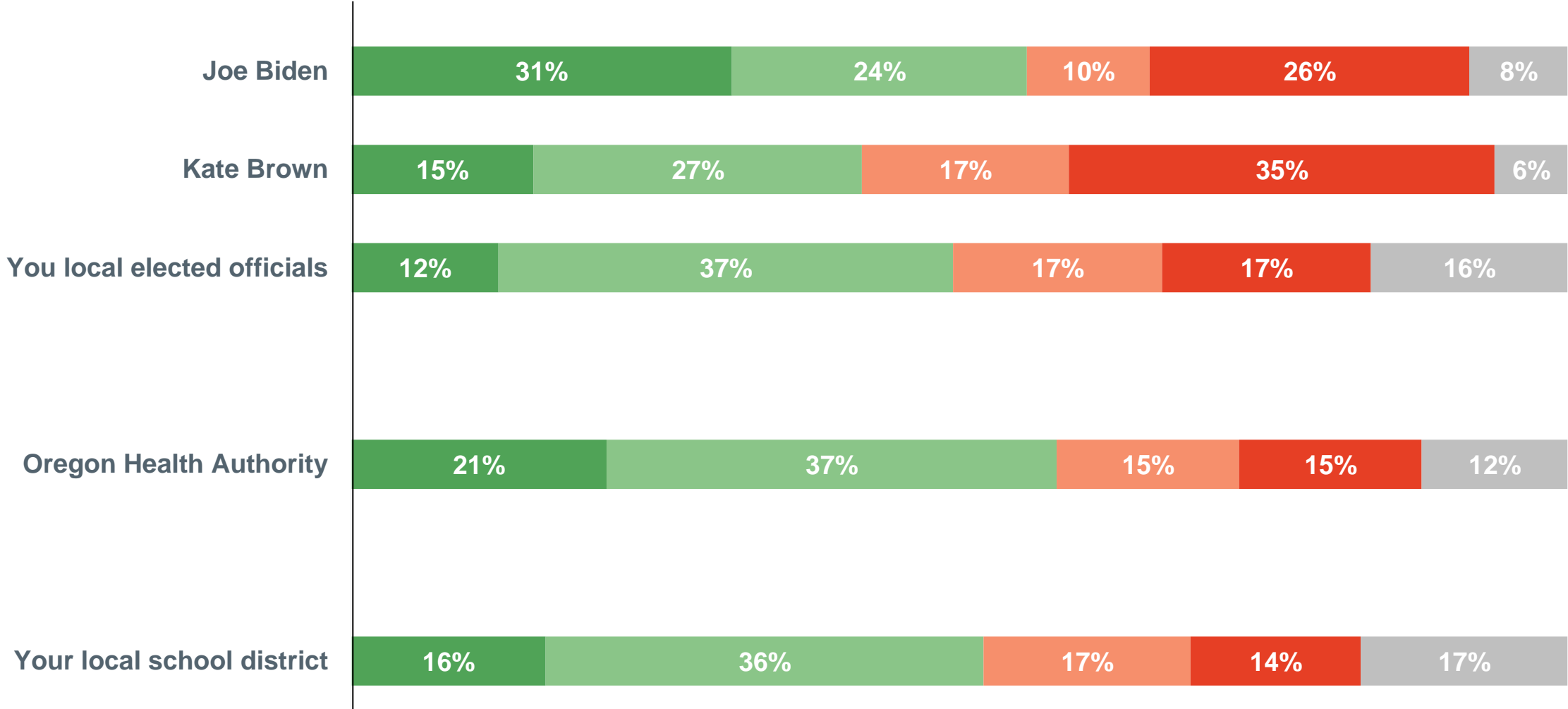
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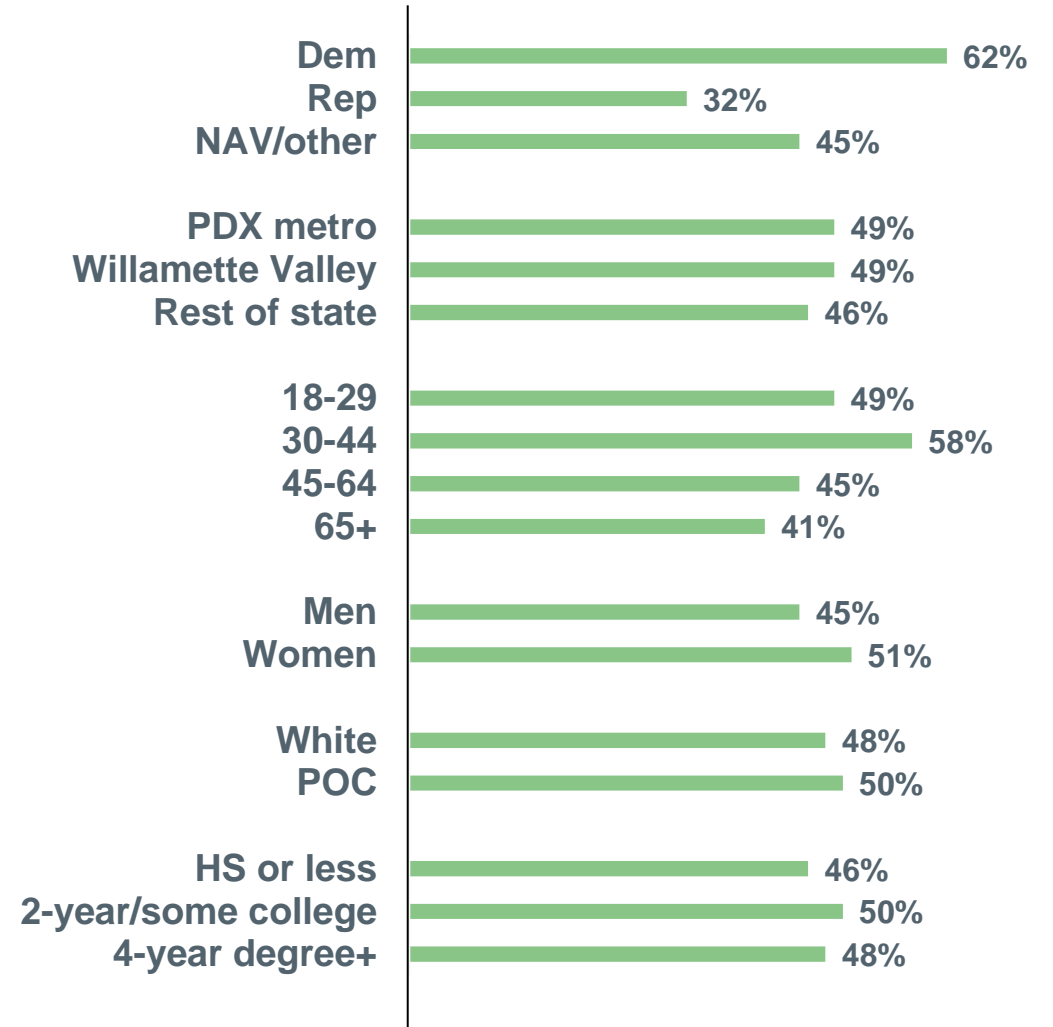
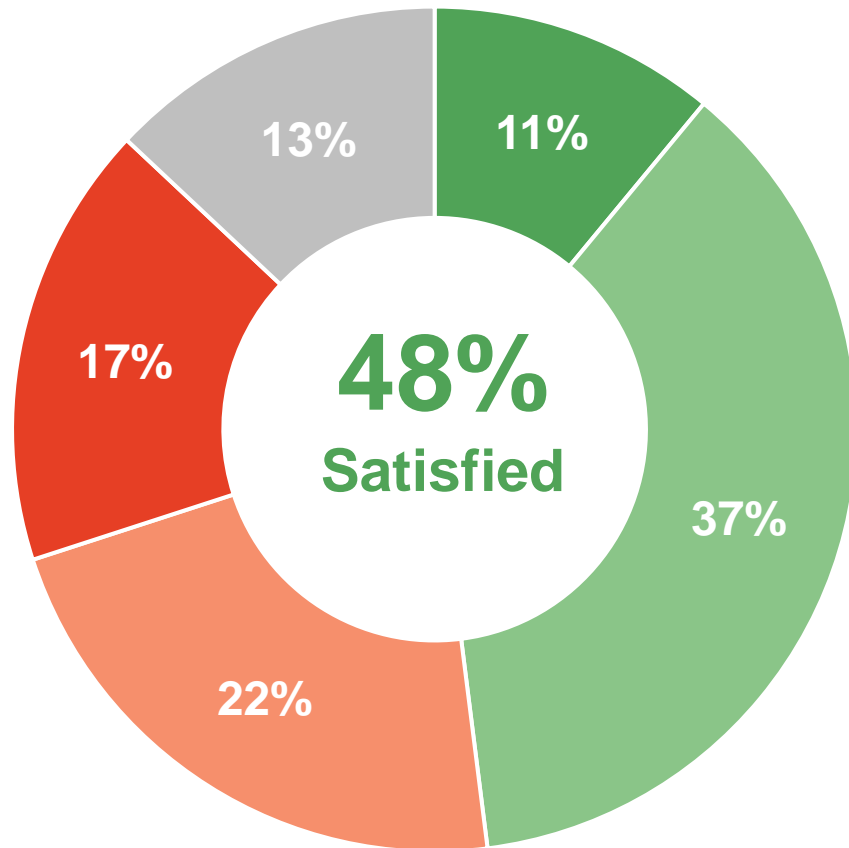
# COVID-19 Job Performance

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# Satisfaction with COVID-19 vaccine distribution in Oregon

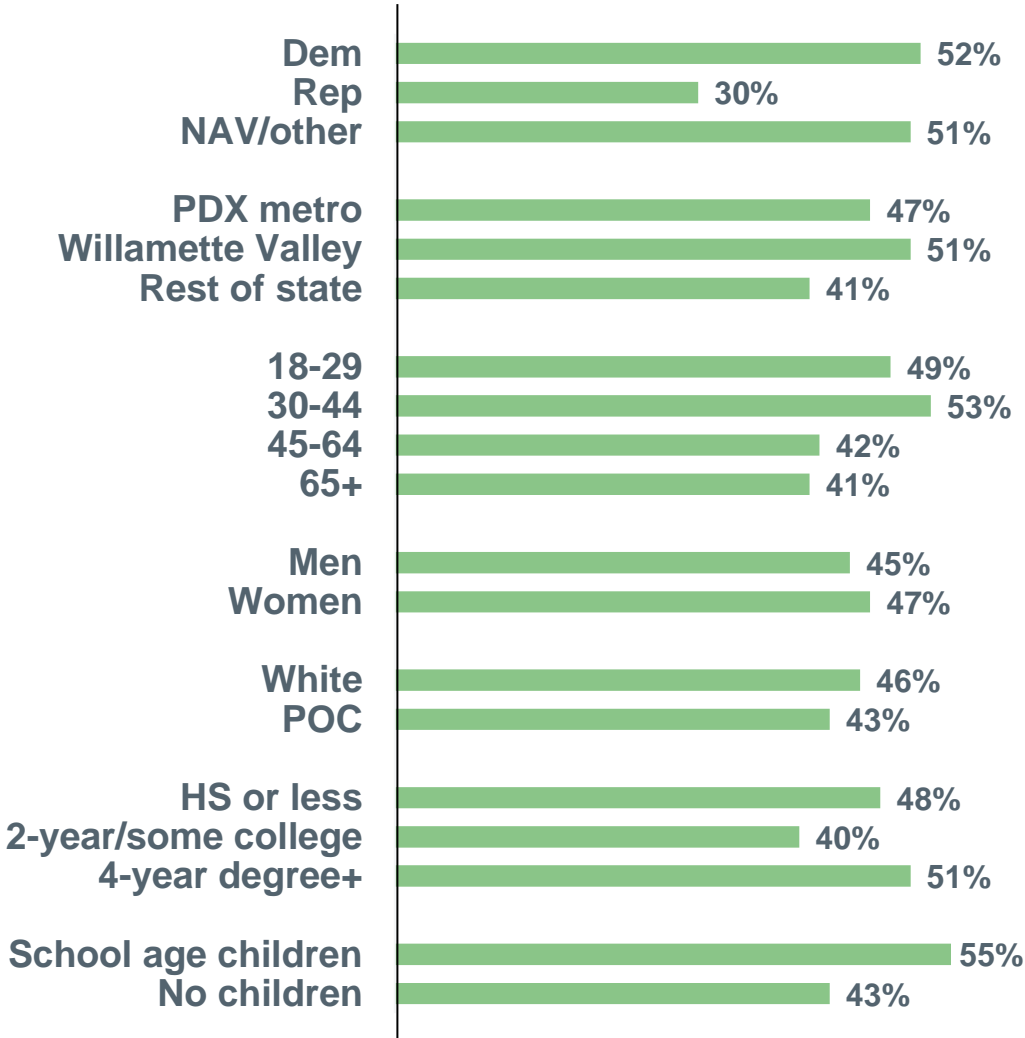
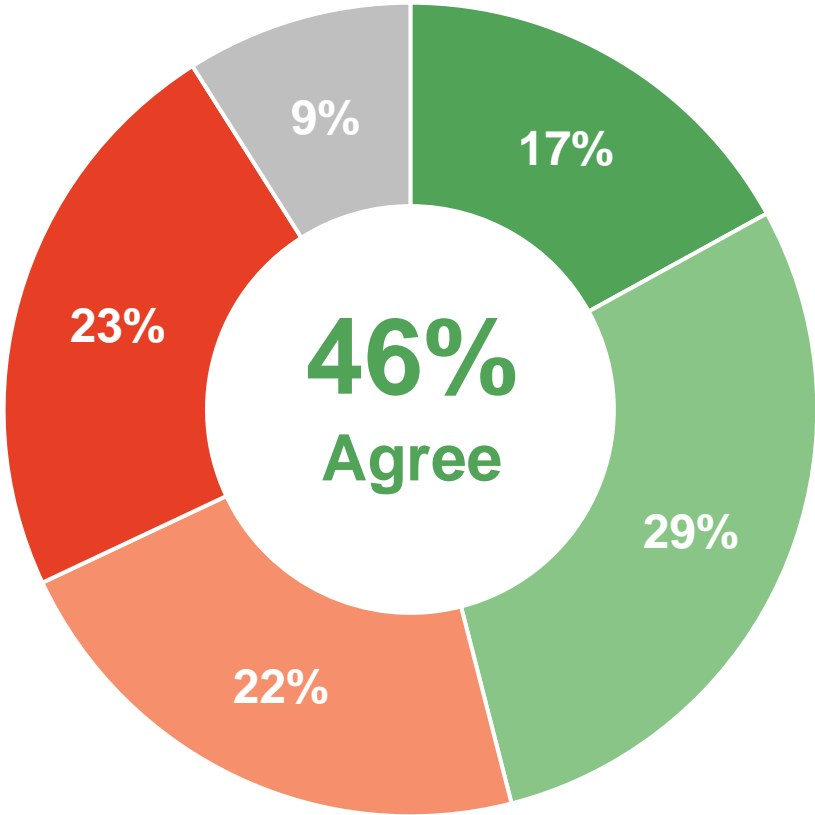
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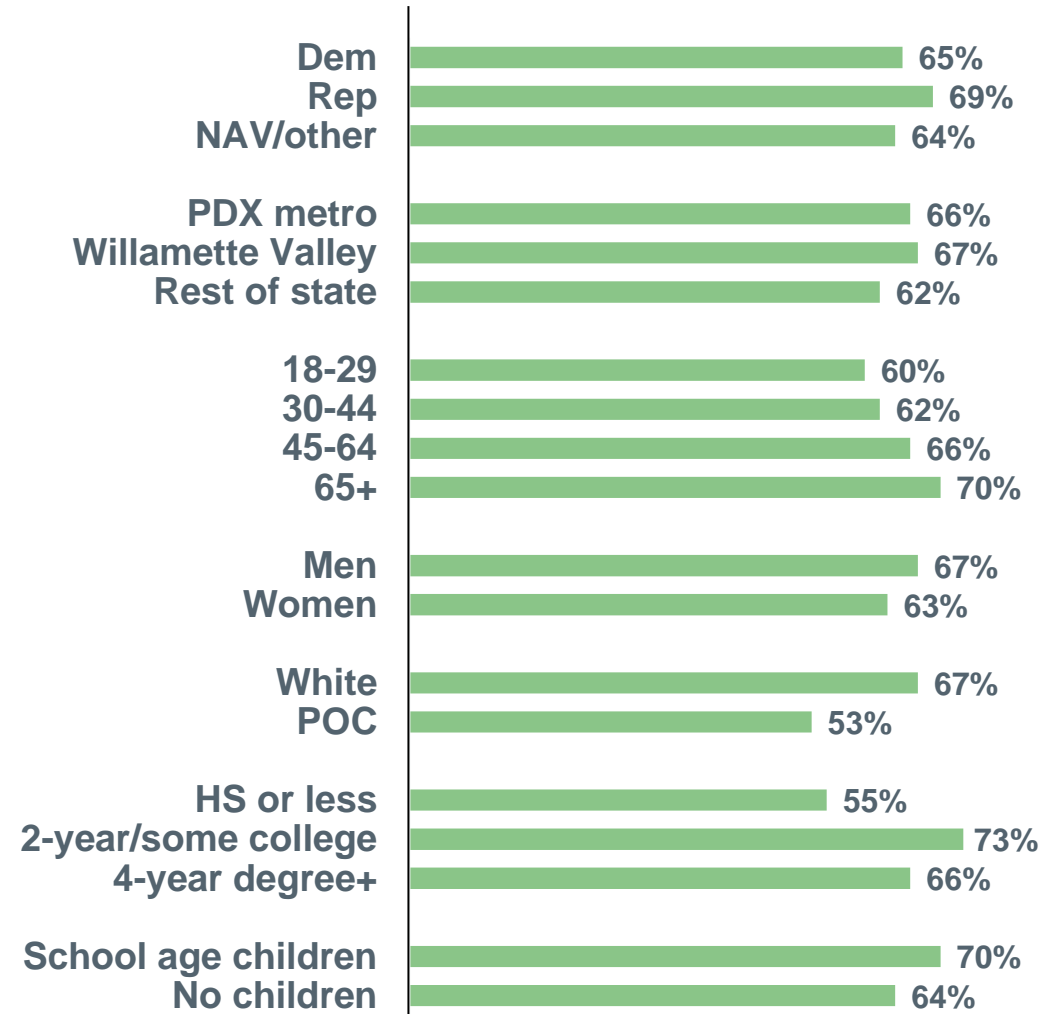
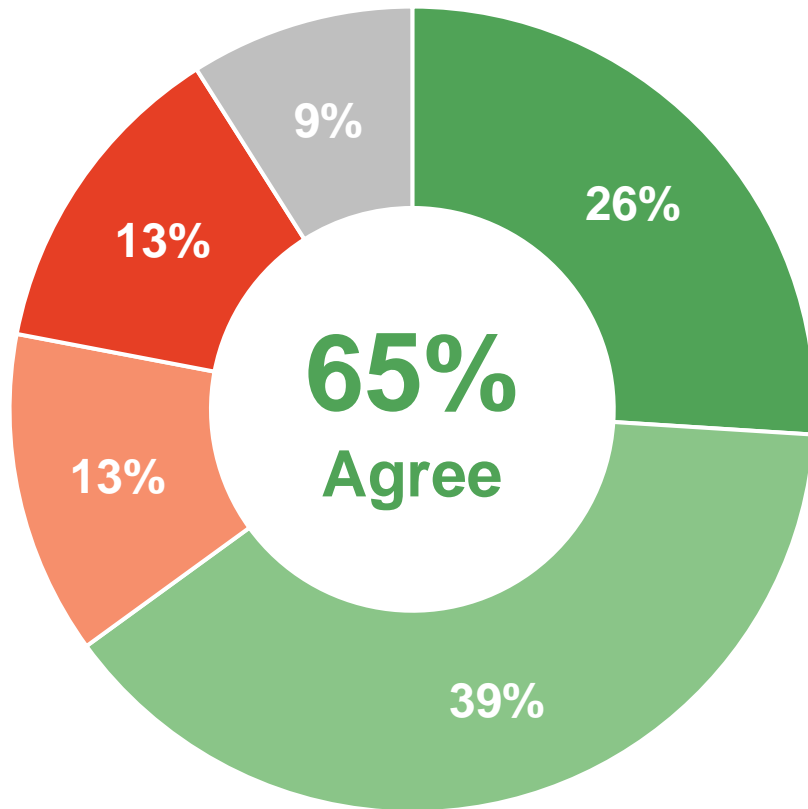
# Agree with Gov. Brown decision to prioritize teachers ahead of seniors for COVID-19 vaccination

Strongly agree / Somewhat agree / Somewhat disagree / Strongly disagree / Don't know



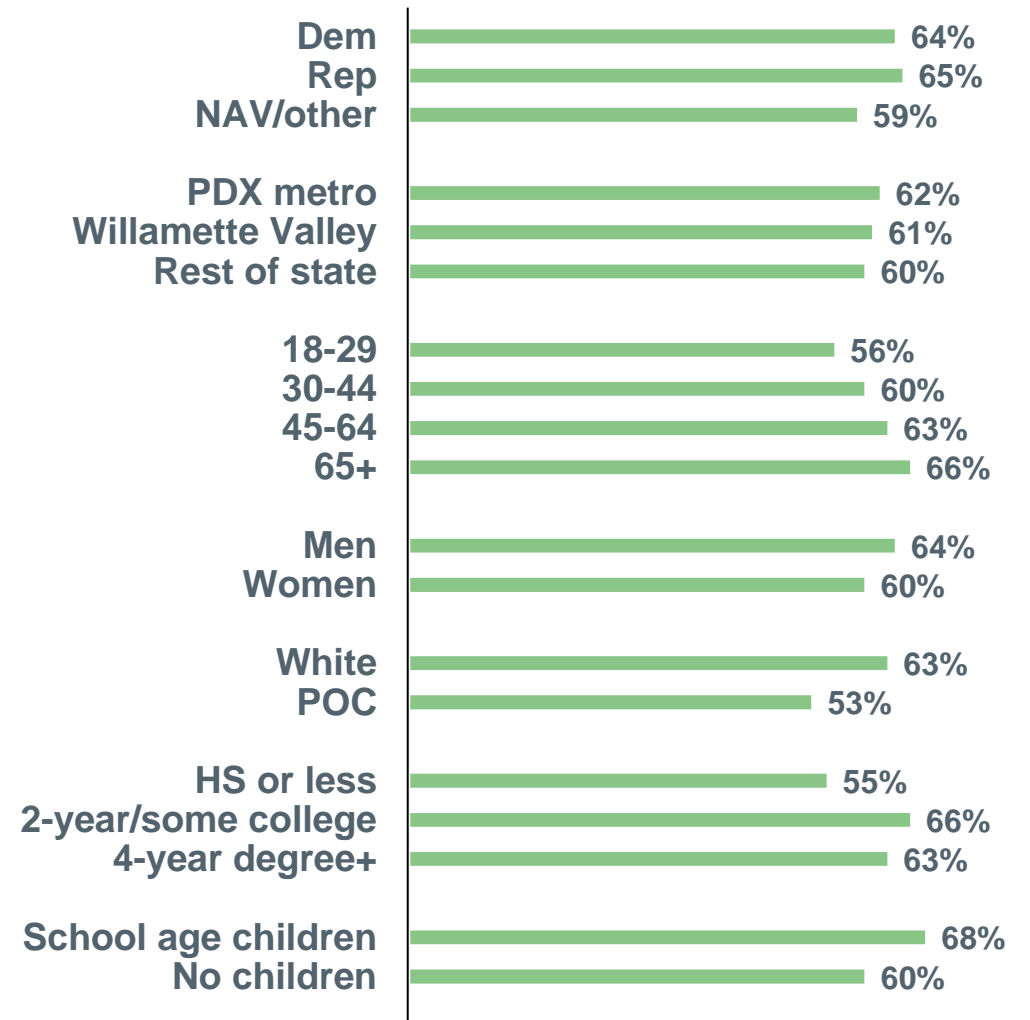
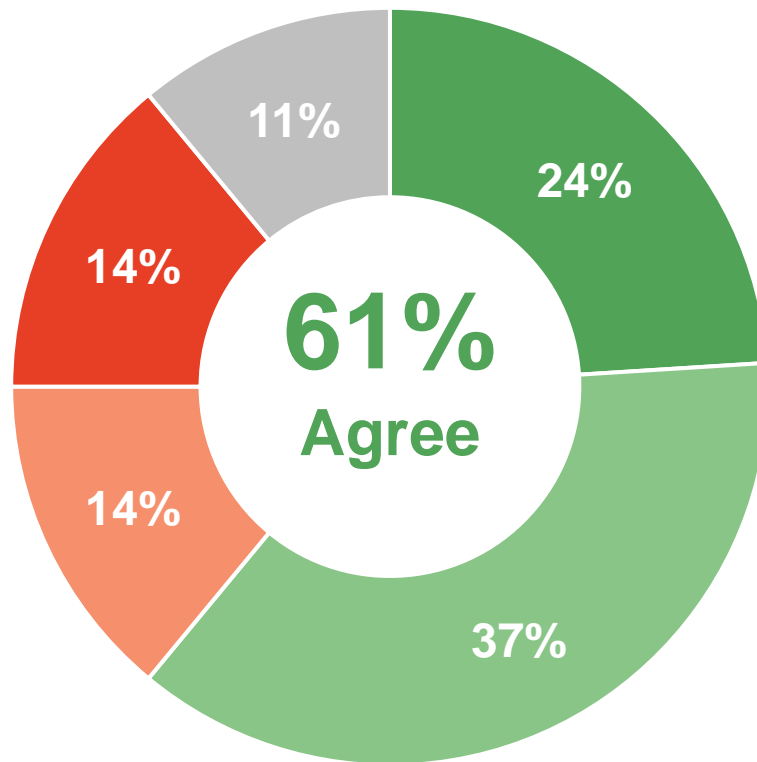
# Agree with Gov. Brown decision to require in-person instruction for elementary students by March 29

Strongly agree / Somewhat agree / Somewhat disagree / Strongly disagree / Don't know



# Agree with Gov. Brown decision to require in-person instruction for middle and high school students by April 19

Strongly agree / Somewhat agree / Somewhat disagree / Strongly disagree / Don't know





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