

# Californians and Education

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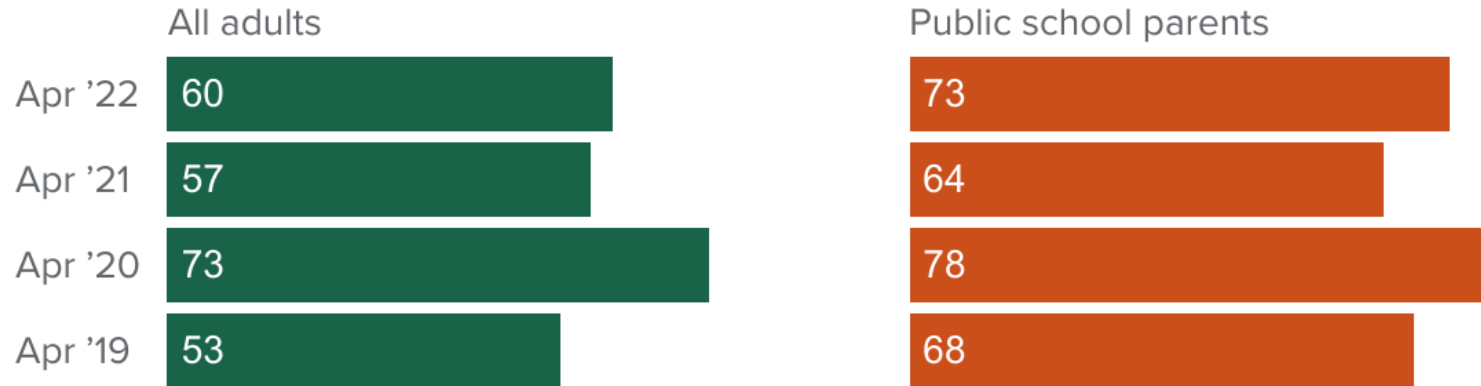
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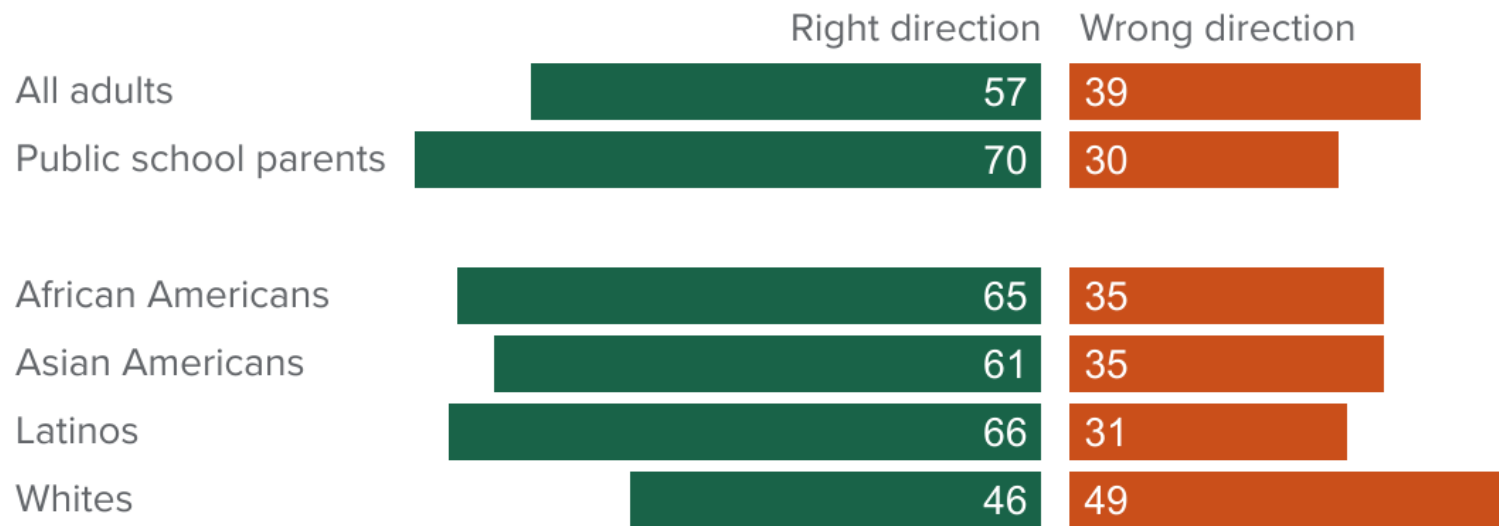
- PPIC's 18th annual survey on K–12 issues
- Conducted online, March 30–April 13, 2022
- Used Ipsos KnowledgePanel
  - 1,591 adults,  $\pm 3.3\%$  margin of error
  - 1,059 likely voters,  $\pm 3.9\%$  margin of error
  - 424 parents of children 18 or younger,  $\pm 6.1\%$  margin of error
  - 342 parents of school-age children,  $\pm 6.9\%$  margin of error
  - 307 public school parents,  $\pm 7.2\%$  margin of error

# Majorities continue to approve of Governor Newsom's handling of K–12 public education

% approve

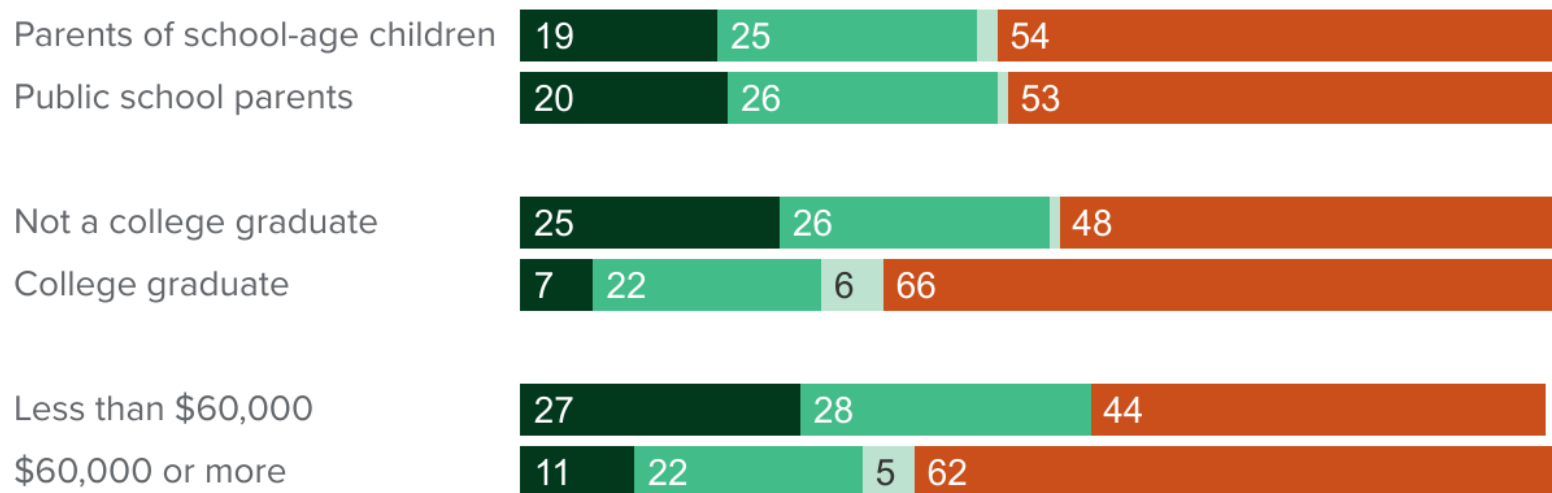


# Most believe California's K–12 education system is going in the right direction

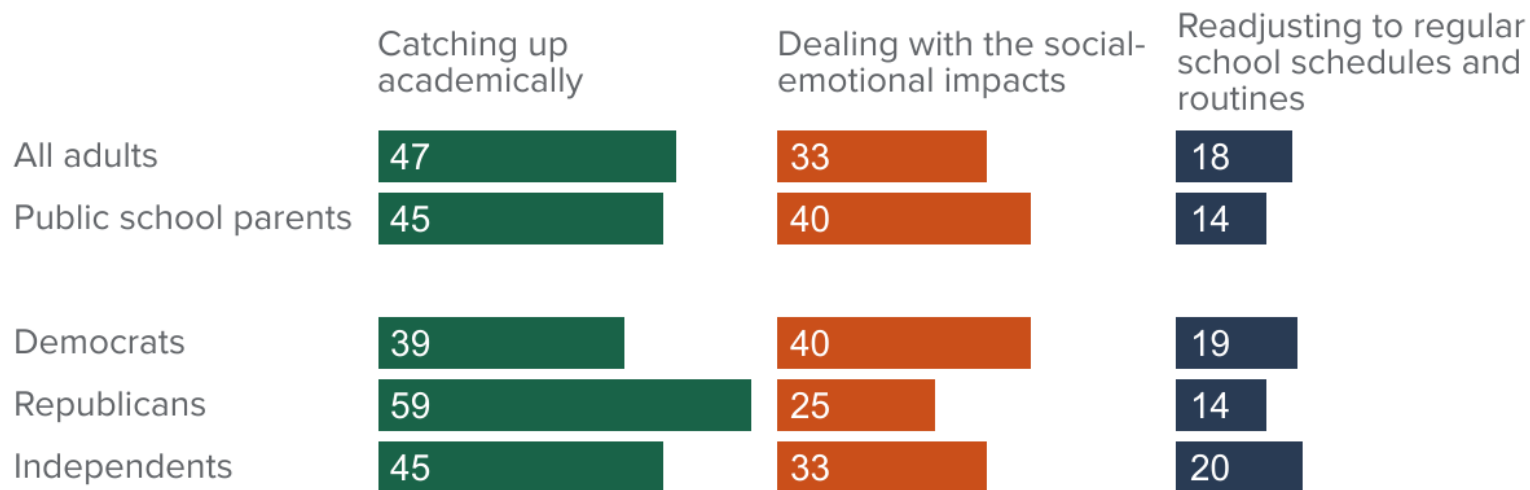


# More than four in ten parents say their child has fallen behind academically during the pandemic

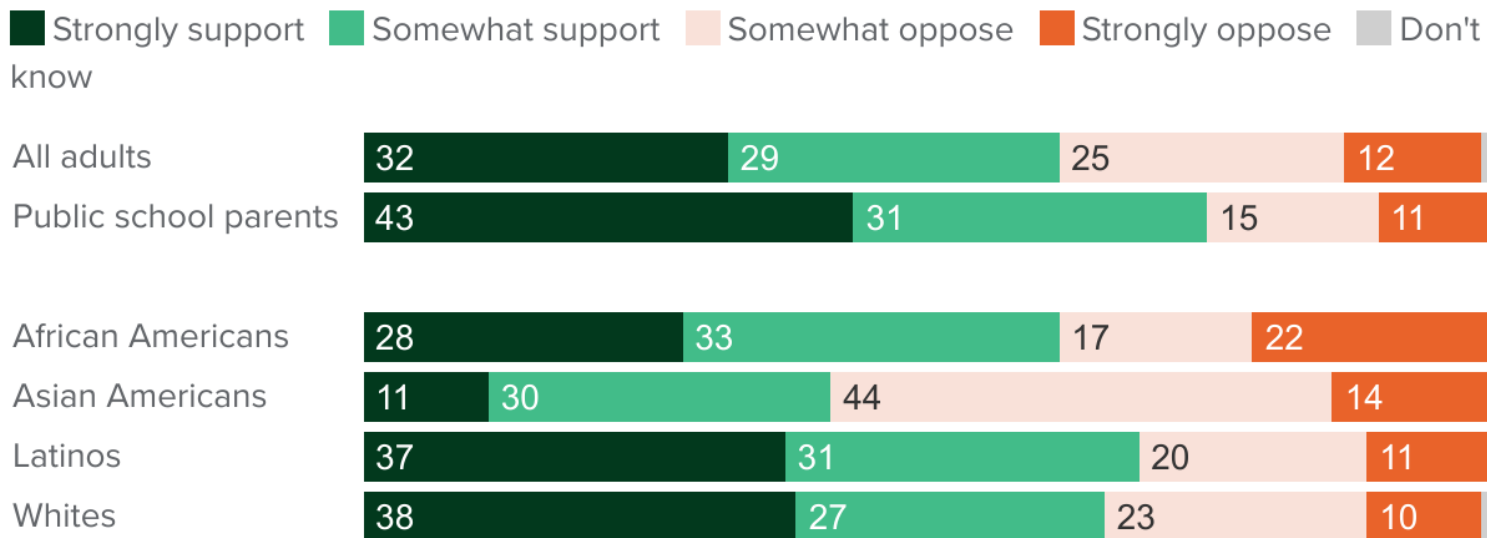
■ Yes, a lot   ■ Yes, a little   ■ Yes, unsure how much (vol)   ■ No



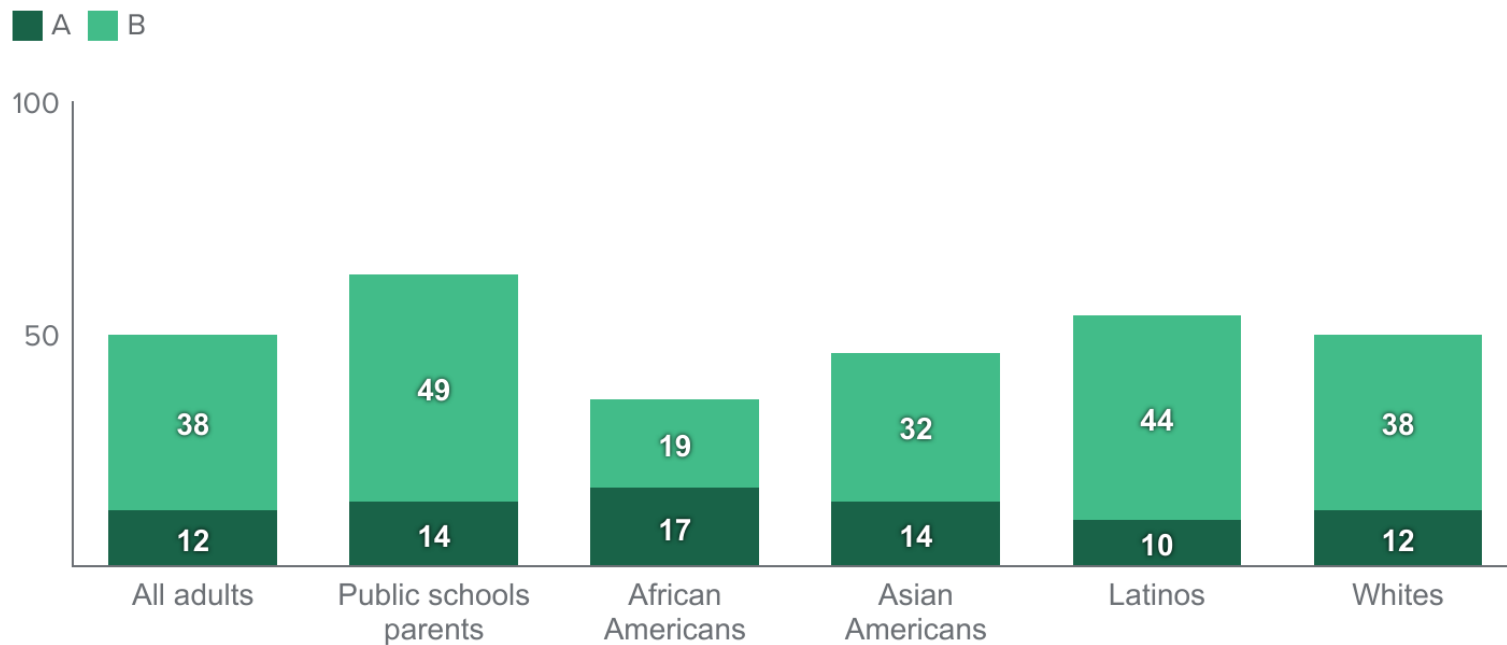
# A plurality say catching up academically will be the biggest challenge for students



# Majorities support the state's decision to no longer require masks in schools

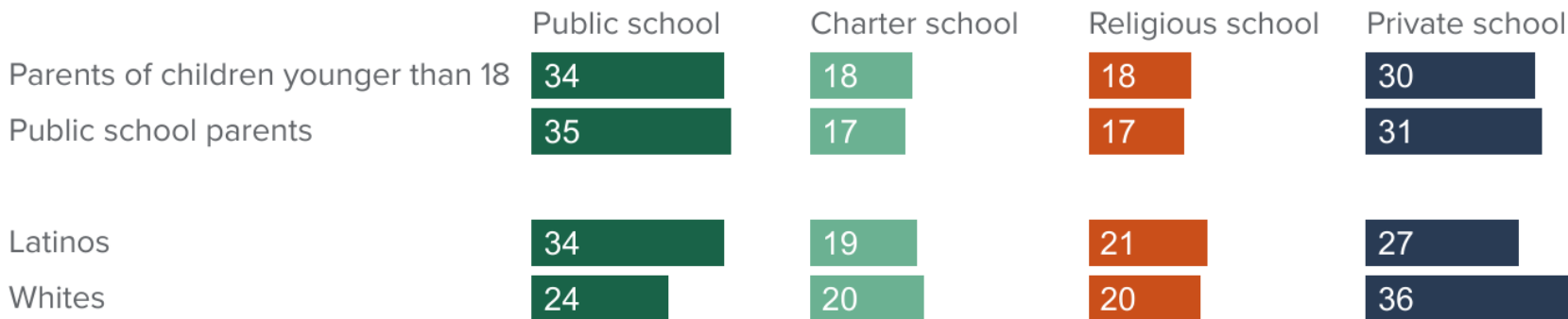


# At least half of adults and public school parents give their local schools an A or B grade



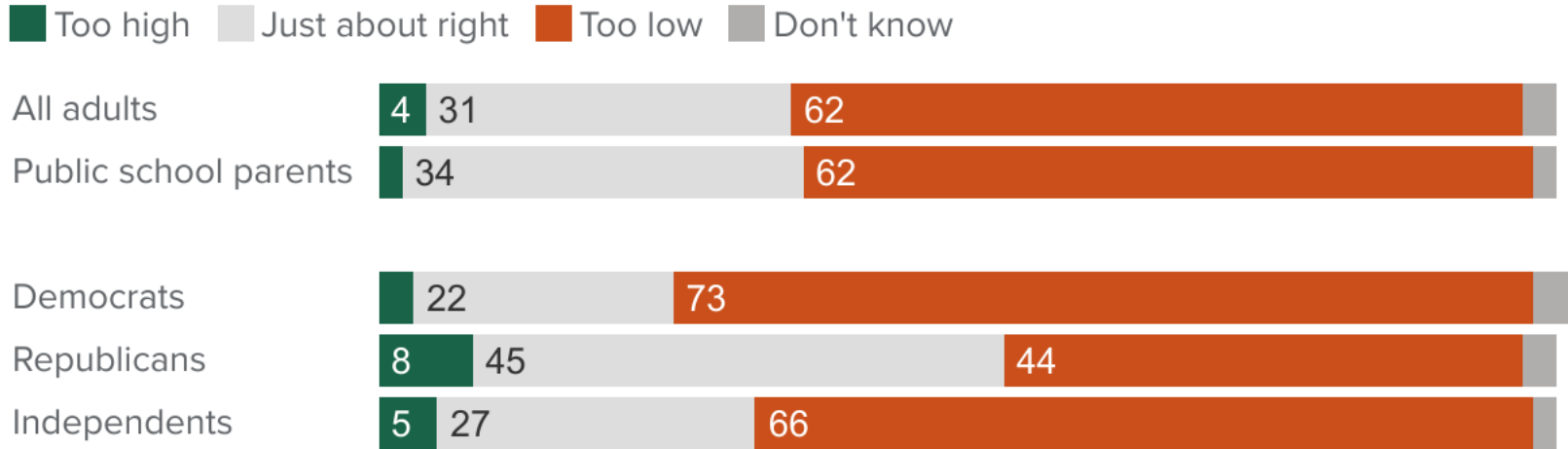


# Parents are divided on school options for their child, if cost and location weren't issues

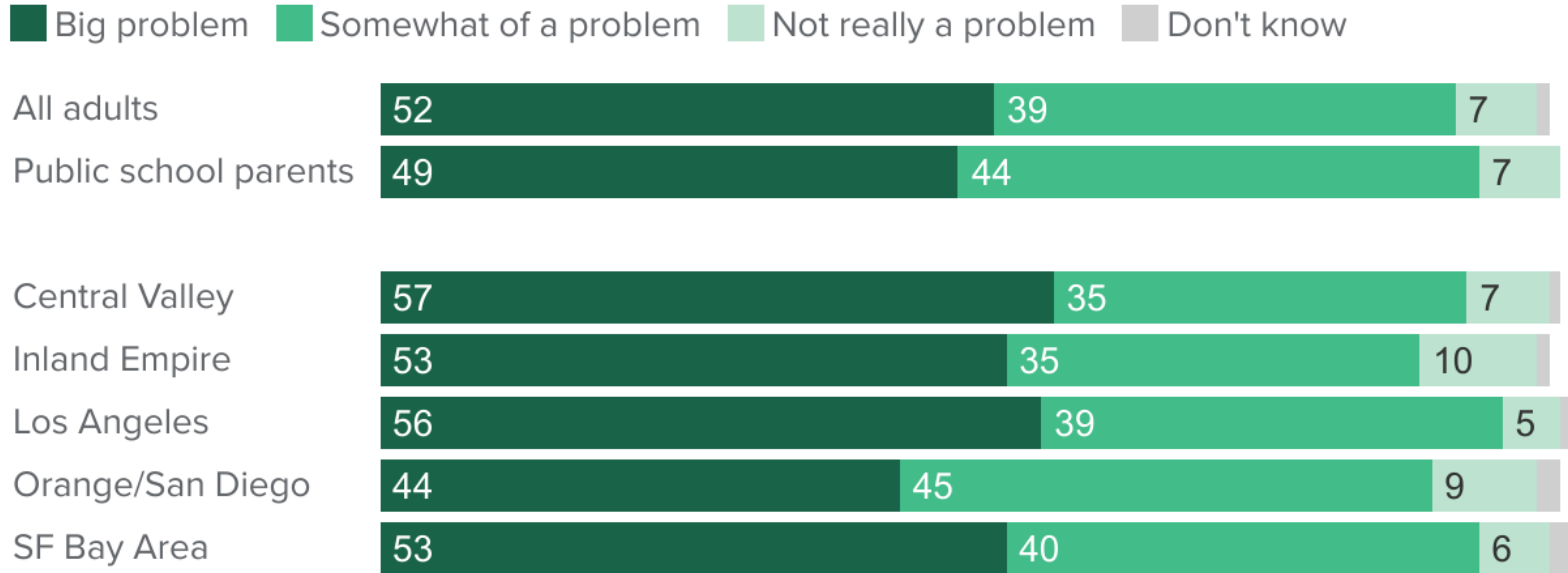


\*Sample sizes for African American and Asian American parents of children younger than 18 are too small for separate analysis.

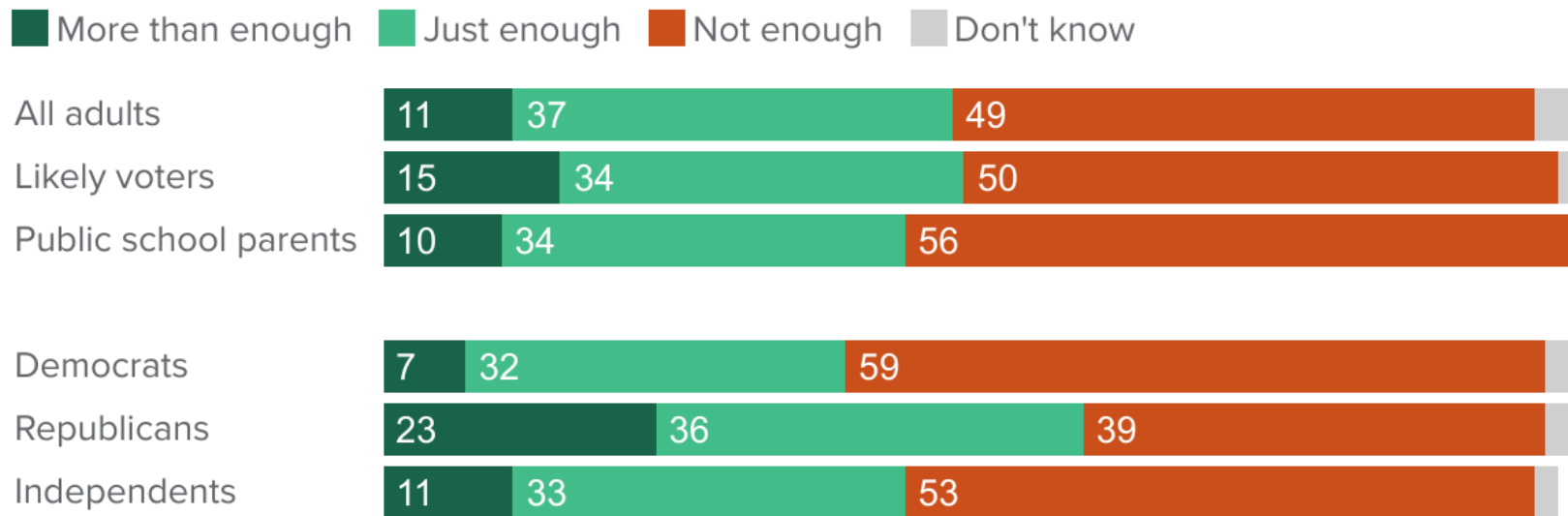
# Solid majorities of adults and public school parents say teacher salaries are too low



# Most say a shortage of teachers is a problem

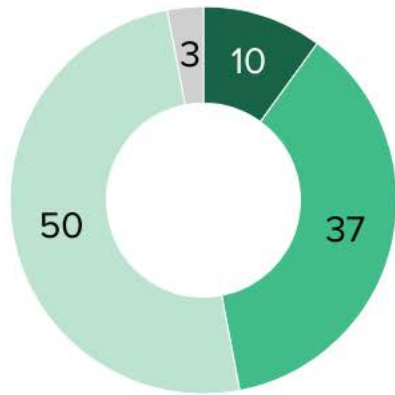


# Half of Californians think current state funding for local public schools is not enough

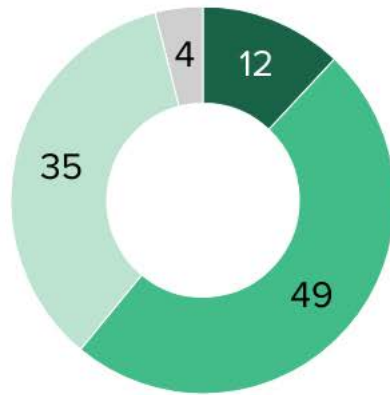


# Half or fewer say resources for key student groups aren't enough

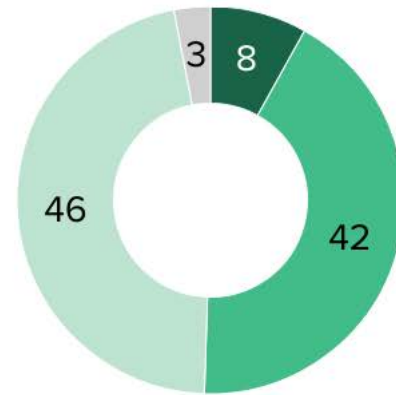
More than enough    Just enough    Not enough    Don't know



Level of resources for lower-income students



Level of resources for English language learners

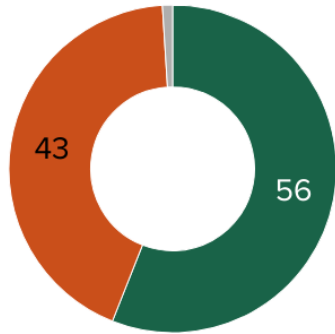


Level of resources for special education students

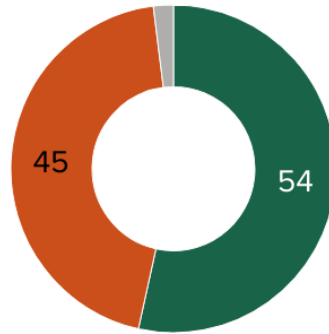
# Majorities would vote yes on school construction bonds

Among likely voters only

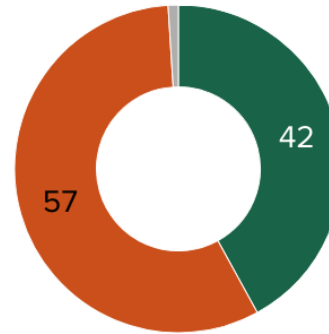
■ Yes ■ No ■ Don't know



State bond measure for school construction projects

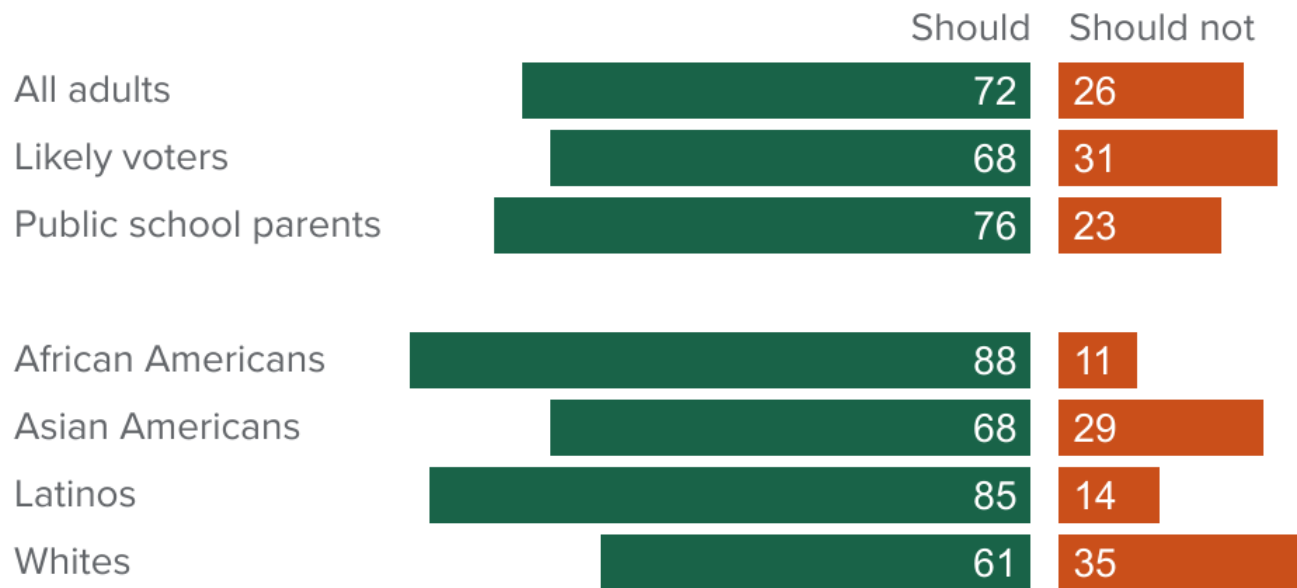


Local bond measure for school construction projects



Local parcel tax increase for local public schools

# Strong majorities believe the state should fund voluntary preschool for all four-year-olds



## Other topics

- Quality of K–12 education
- Local Control Funding Formula
- Lower-income students and English language learners
- Career technical or vocational education
- COVID vaccine requirements for students and teachers
- Preparing students for college and the workforce



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