

Californians and Education

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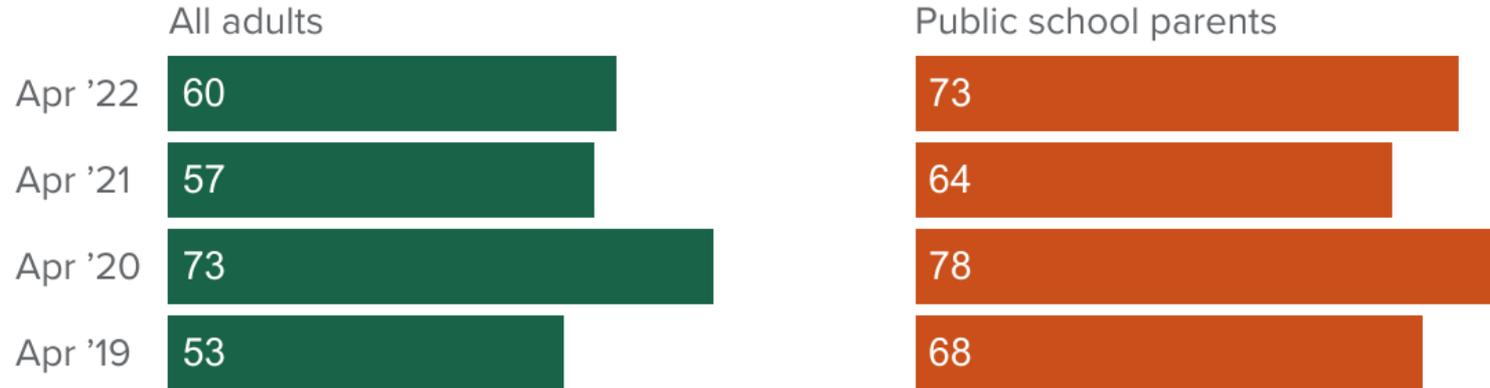
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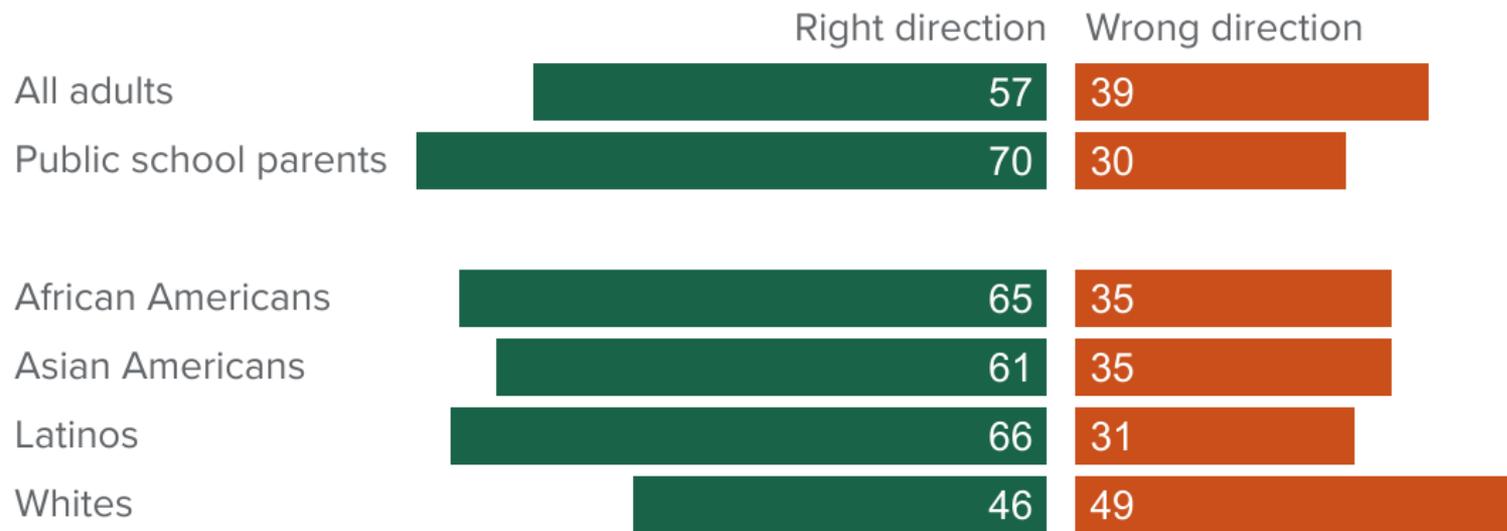
- PPIC's 18th annual survey on K–12 issues
- Conducted online, March 30–April 13, 2022
- Used Ipsos KnowledgePanel
 - 1,591 adults, $\pm 3.3\%$ margin of error
 - 1,059 likely voters, $\pm 3.9\%$ margin of error
 - 424 parents of children 18 or younger, $\pm 6.1\%$ margin of error
 - 342 parents of school-age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

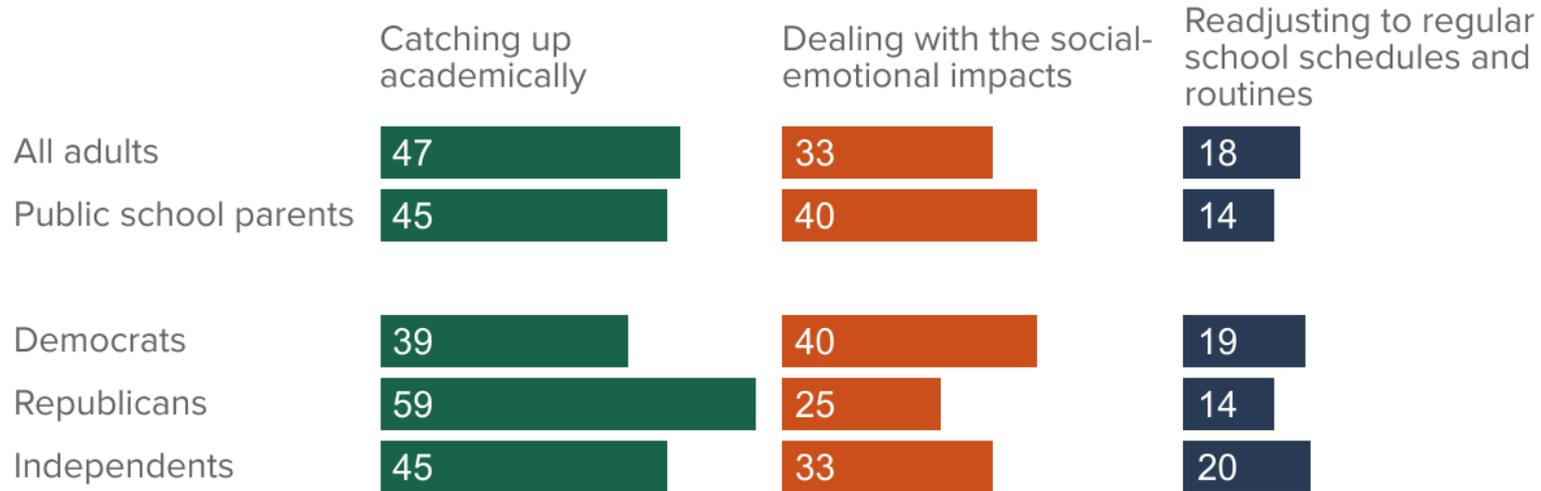


More than four in ten parents say their child has fallen behind academically during the pandemic

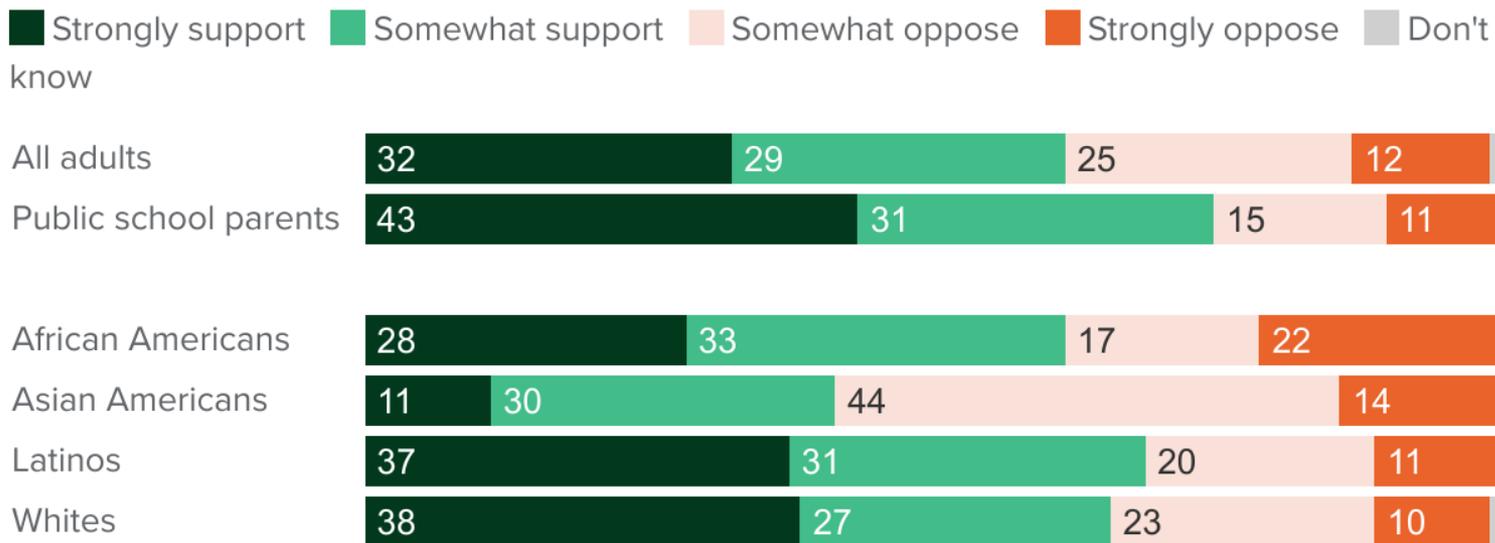
■ Yes, a lot ■ Yes, a little ■ Yes, unsure how much (vol) ■ No



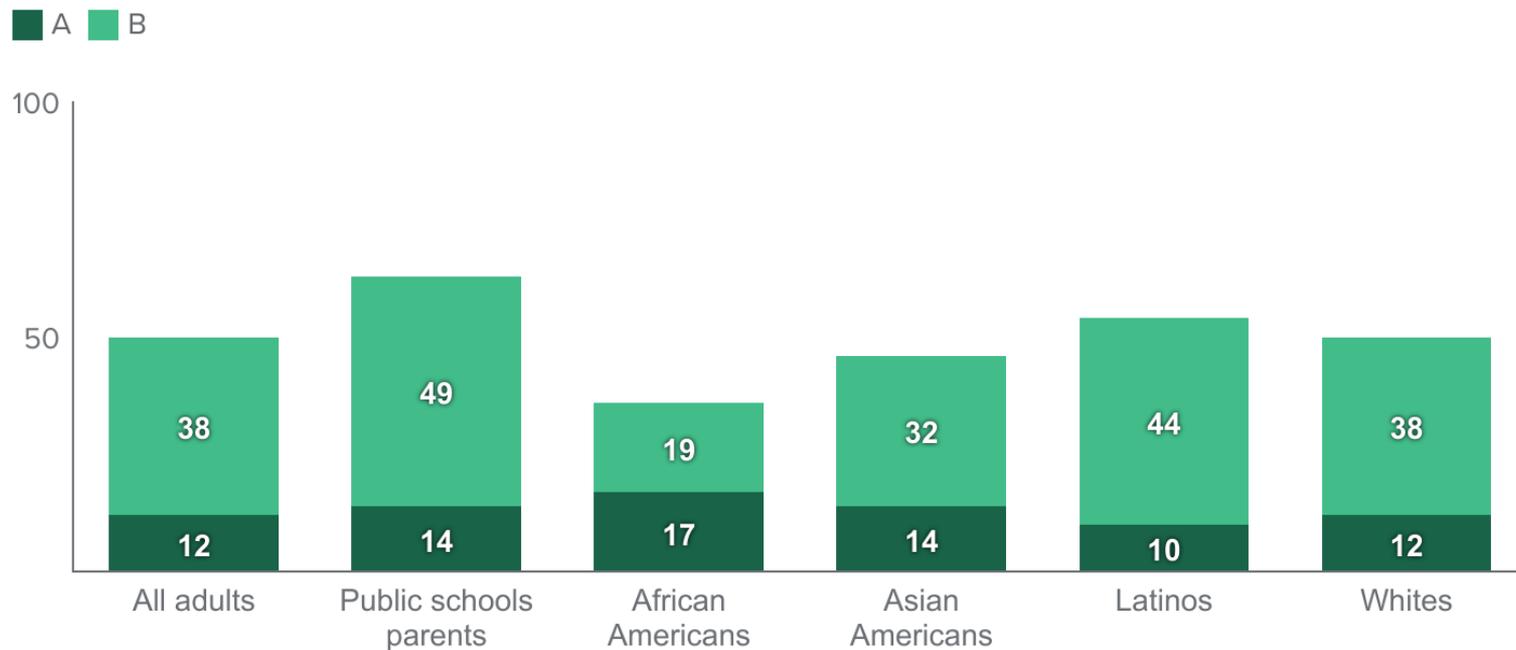
A plurality say catching up academically will be the biggest challenge for students



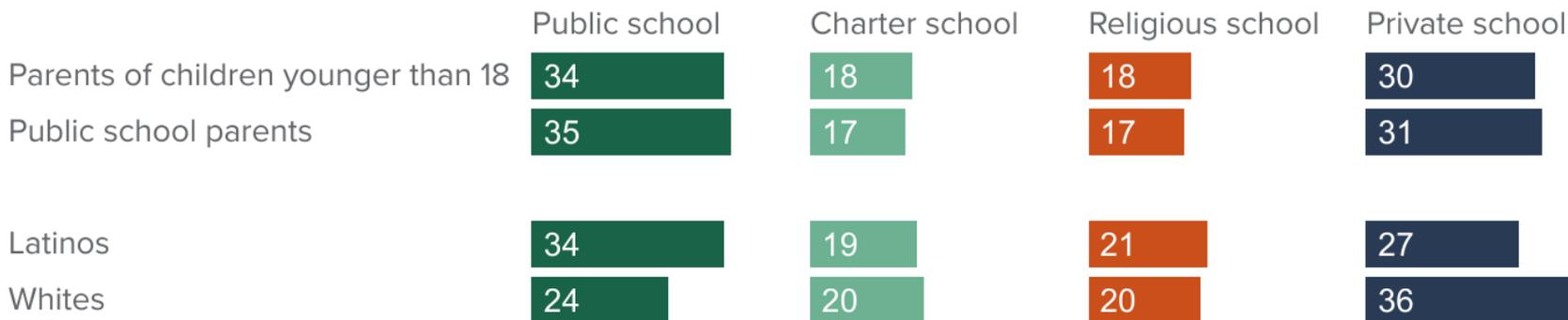
Majorities support the state's decision to no longer require masks in schools



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

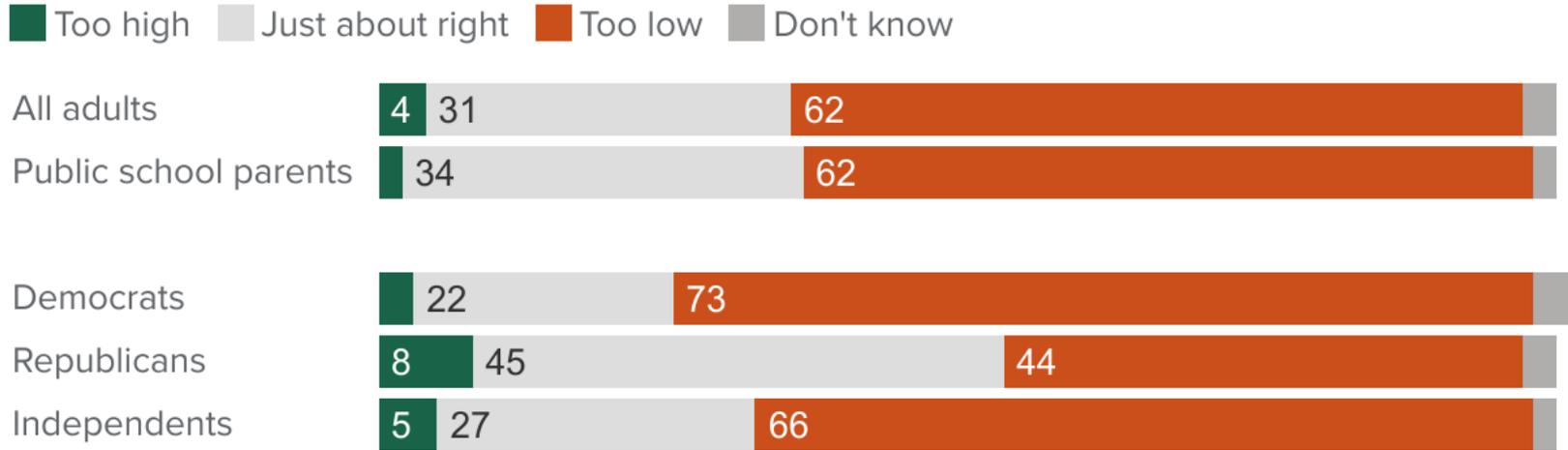


Parents are divided on school options for their child, if cost and location weren't issues



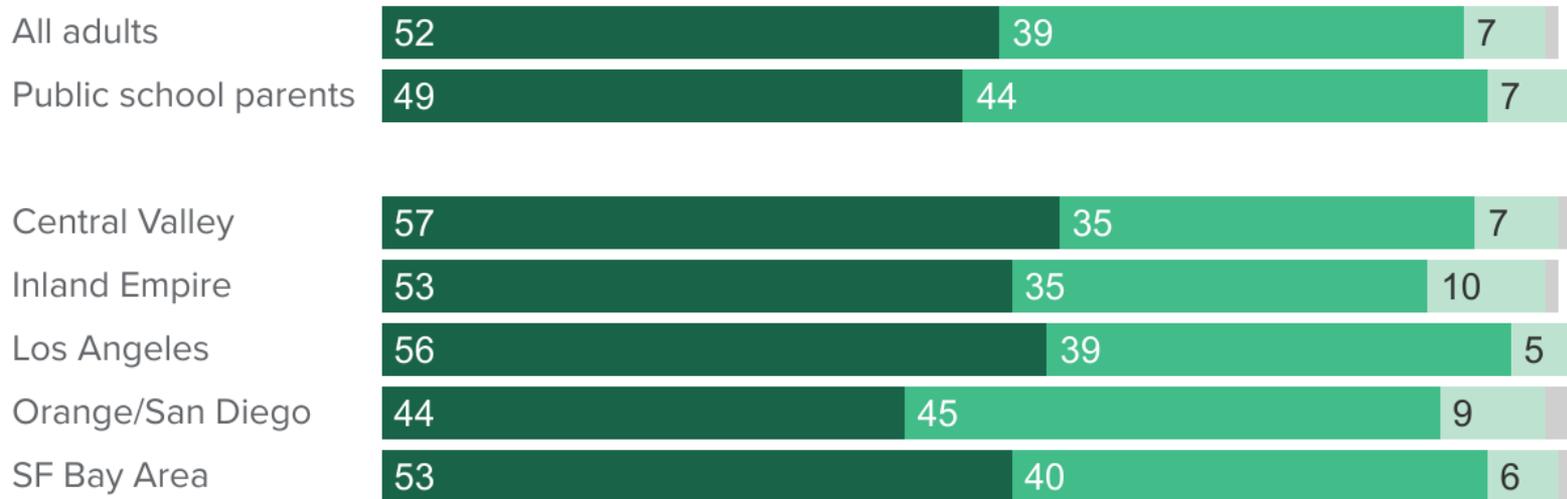
*Sample sizes for African American and Asian American parents of children younger than 18 are too small for separate analysis.

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

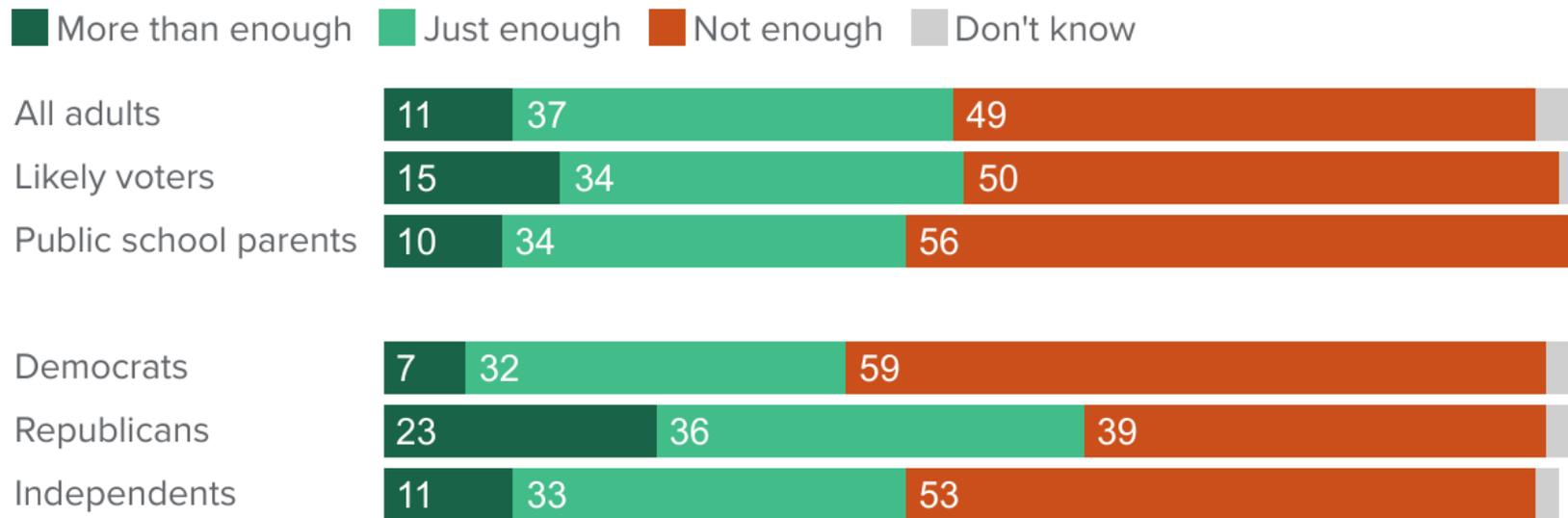


Most say a shortage of teachers is a problem

■ Big problem ■ Somewhat of a problem ■ Not really a problem ■ Don't know

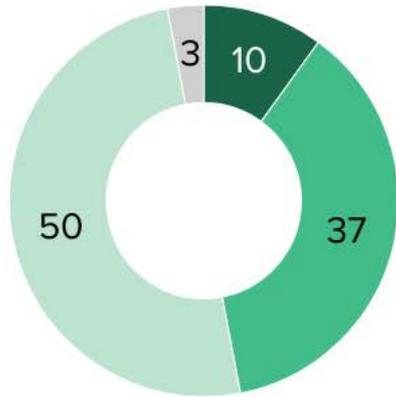


Half of Californians think current state funding for local public schools is not enough

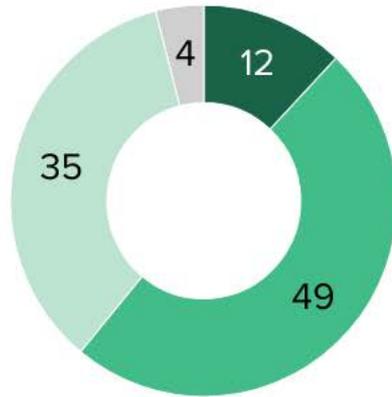


Half or fewer say resources for key student groups aren't enough

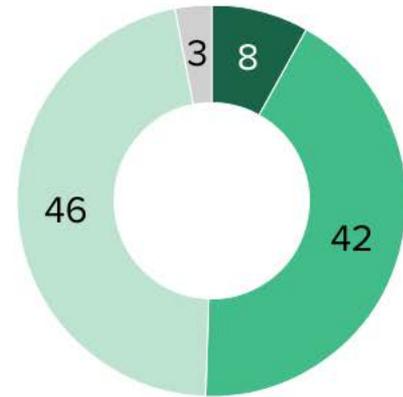
More than enough Just enough Not enough Don't know



Level of resources for lower-income students



Level of resources for English language learners

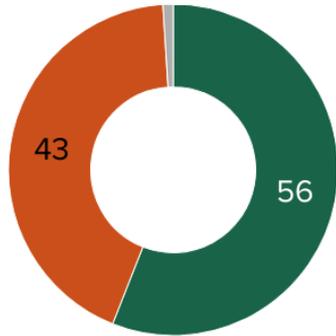


Level of resources for special education students

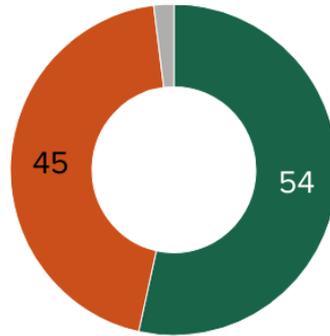
Majorities would vote yes on school construction bonds

Among likely voters only

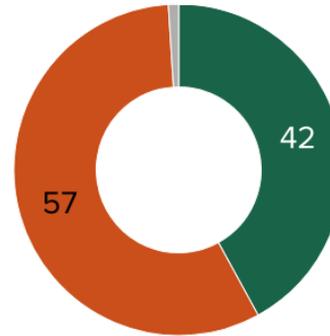
■ Yes ■ No ■ Don't know



State bond measure for school construction projects

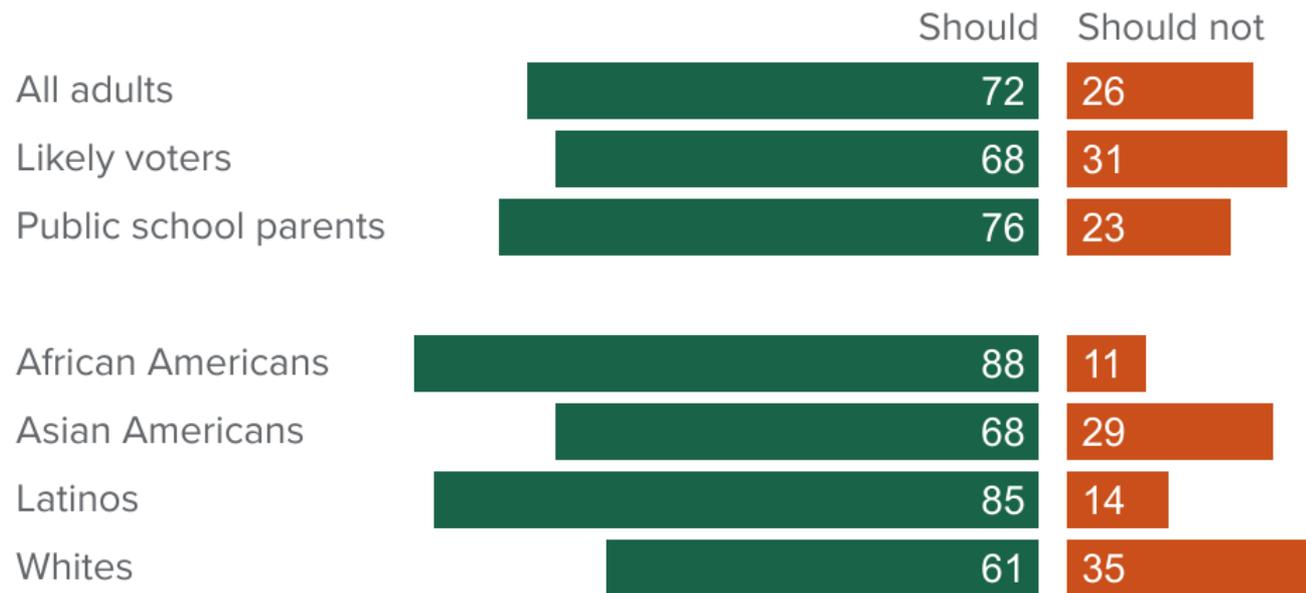


Local bond measure for school construction projects



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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