

# Californians and Their Government

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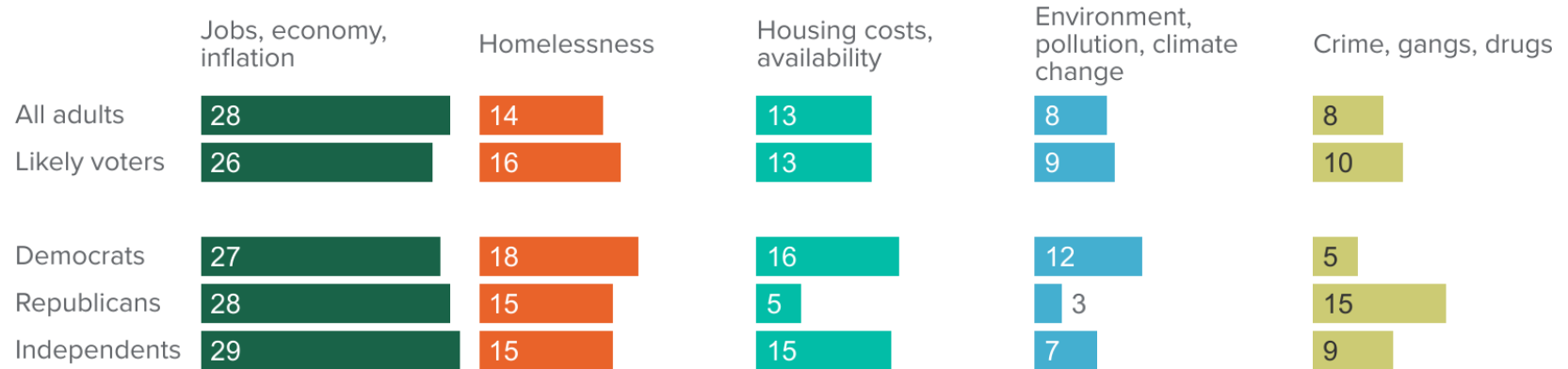
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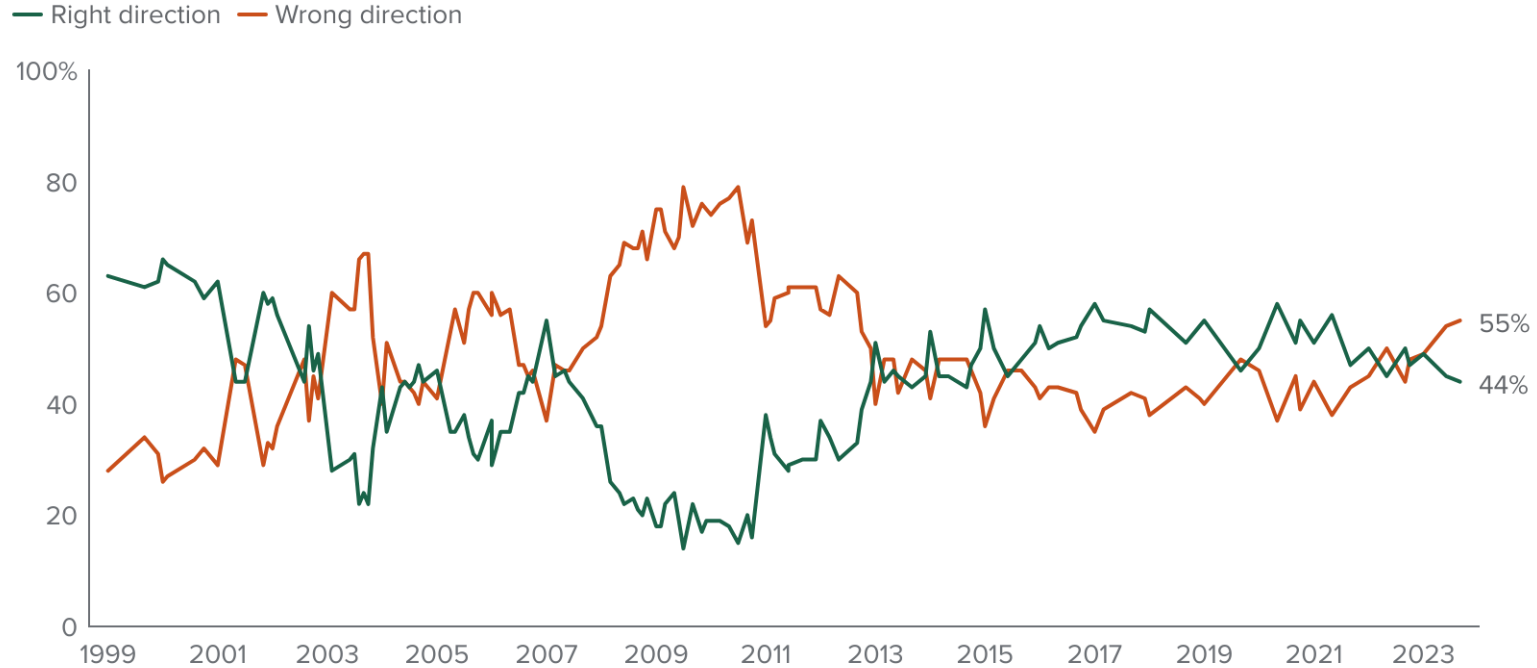
- 25th anniversary of the PPIC Statewide Survey
- Survey series on state and national issues
- Public perceptions, attitudes, and policy preferences
- Conducted online, August 25–September 5, 2023, using Ipsos KnowledgePanel
  - 1,671 adults,  $\pm$  3.1% margin of error
  - 1,146 likely voters,  $\pm$  3.7% margin of error

# Californians name jobs, the economy, and inflation as the state's top issue

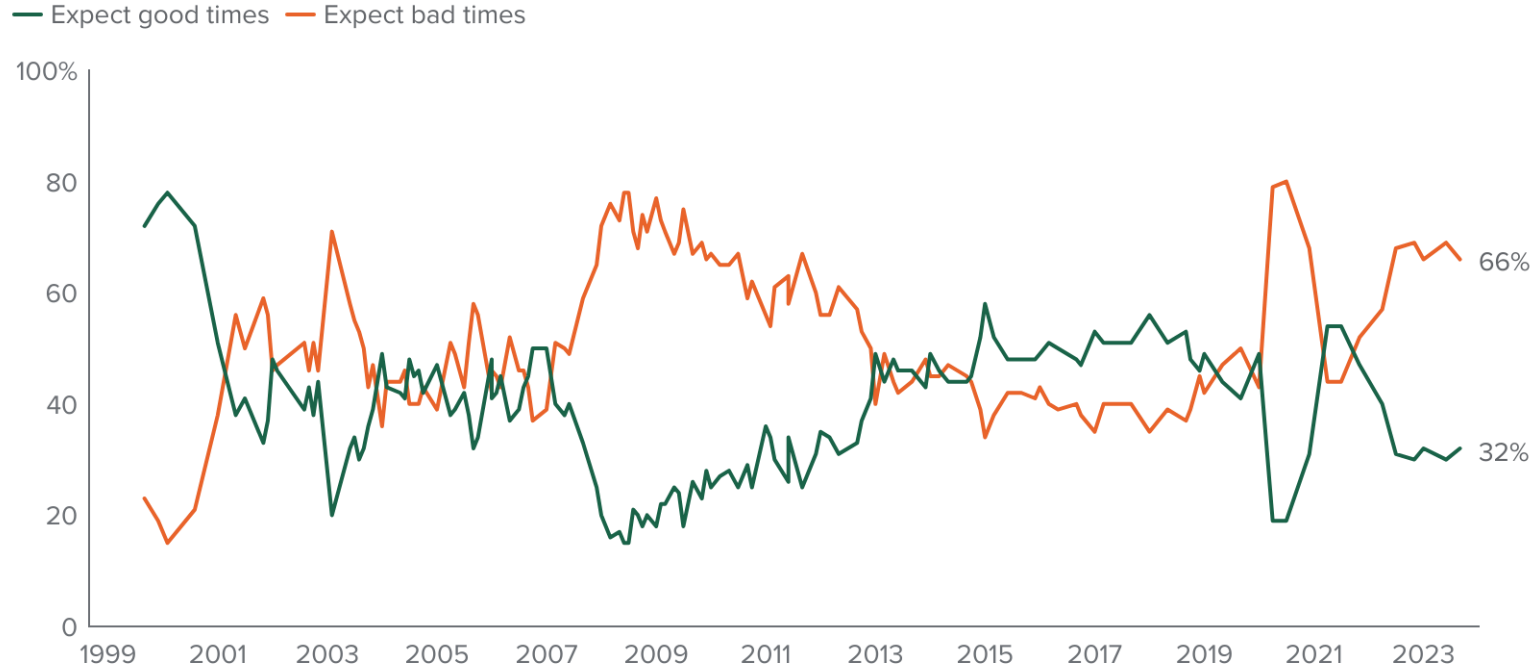
Top five issues mentioned



# A majority say California is going in the wrong direction

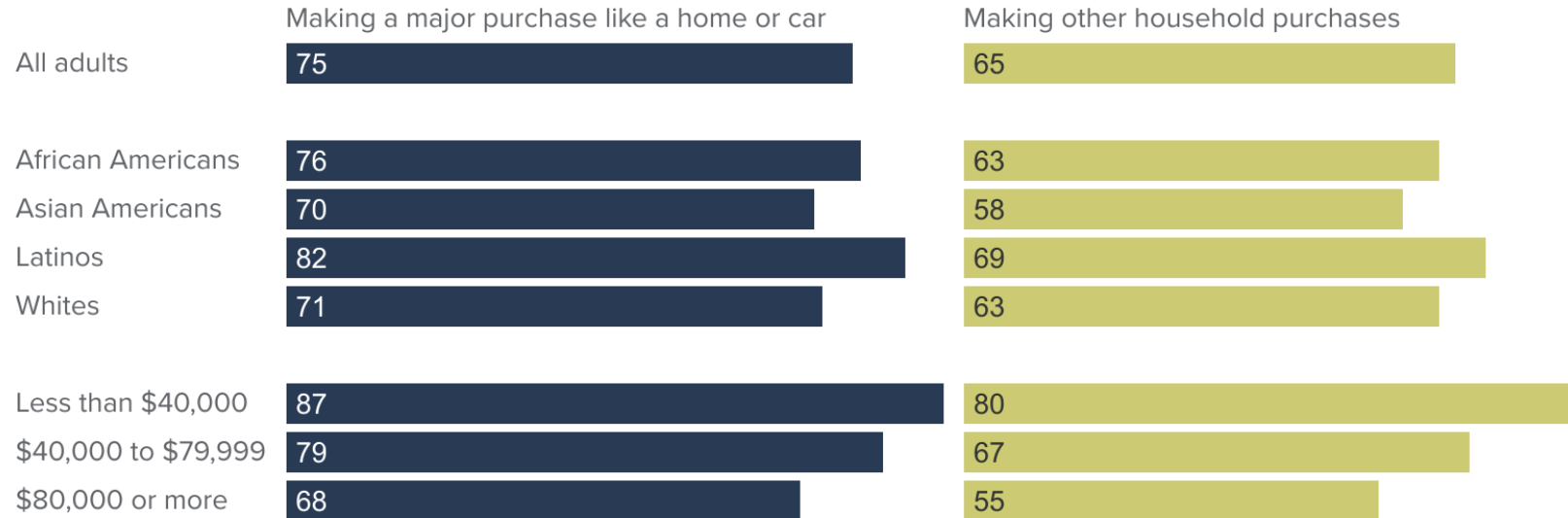


# About two in three Californians expect bad economic times in the next 12 months



# Most adults feel less comfortable making purchases than they were six months ago

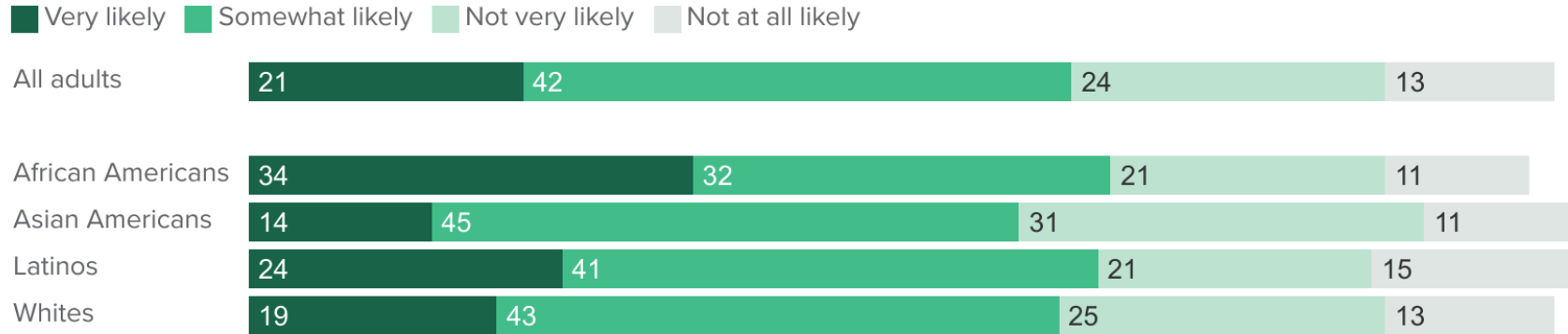
% less comfortable



# Most say there is a mental health crisis in the US today

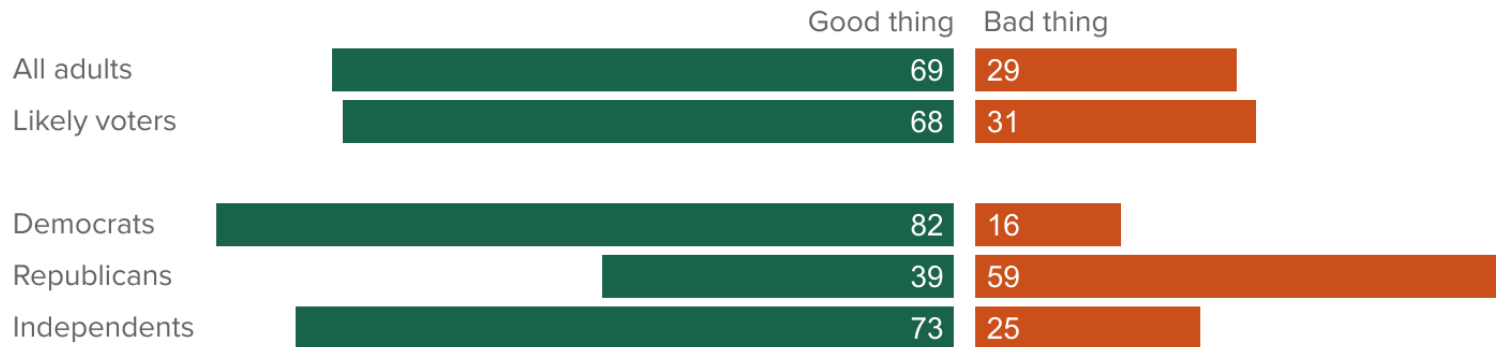


# Over six in ten say they would be somewhat or very likely to call the 988 mental health hotline





# Most Californians say immigration is a good thing for the US

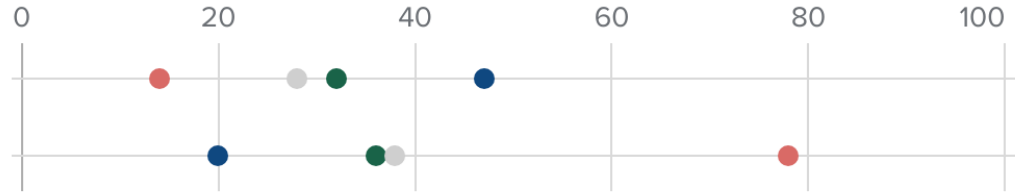


# Partisans diverge when it comes to their views on different immigration goals

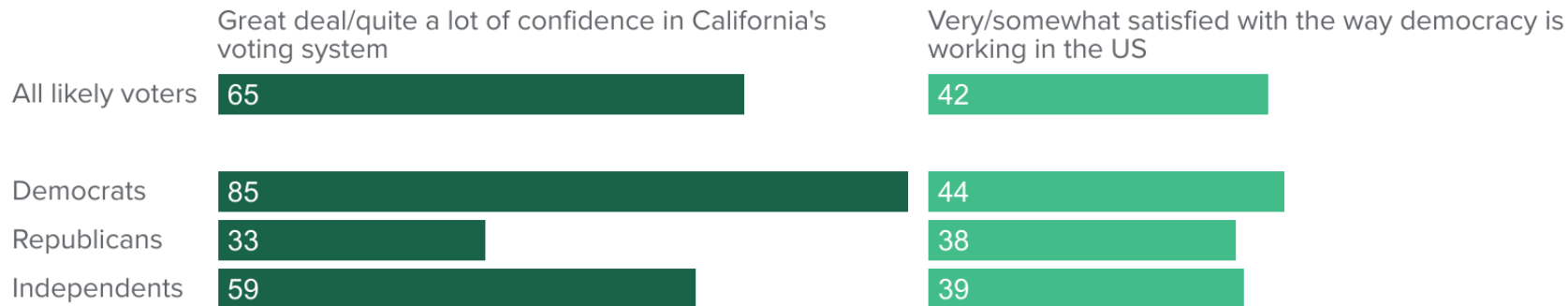
% very important goal

● All adults ● Democrats ● Republicans ● Independents

Taking in civilian refugees from countries where people are trying to escape violence and war  
Increasing security at US-Mexico border to reduce unauthorized crossings

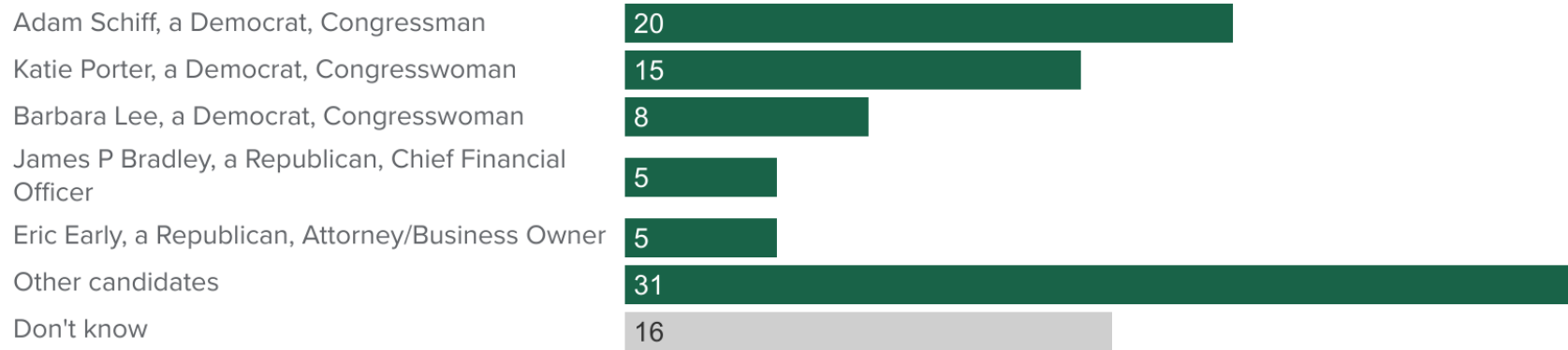


# A solid majority are confident in the state's voting system



# Adam Schiff is ahead of other Democratic candidates in the US Senate primary race

Top 5 candidates, among likely voters



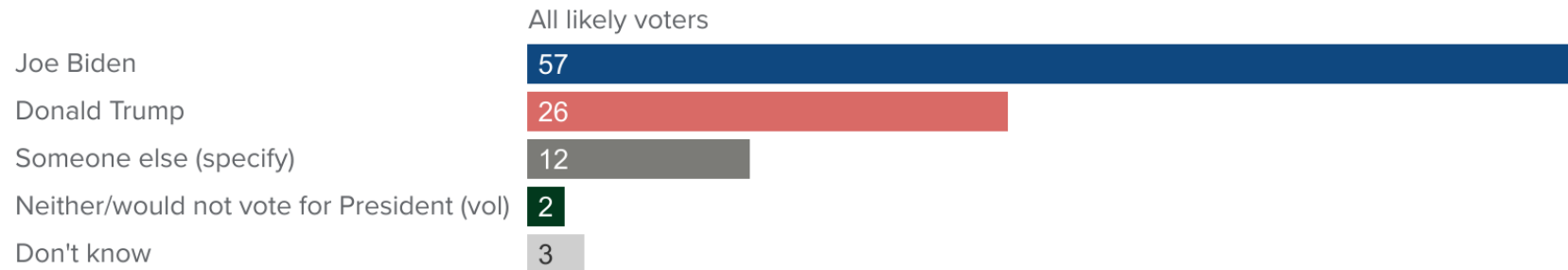
# Nearly half of Republican likely voters would vote for Donald Trump if the primary were today

Top 5 candidates, among Republican likely voters



# A majority of likely voters would vote for Biden if the 2024 presidential election were today

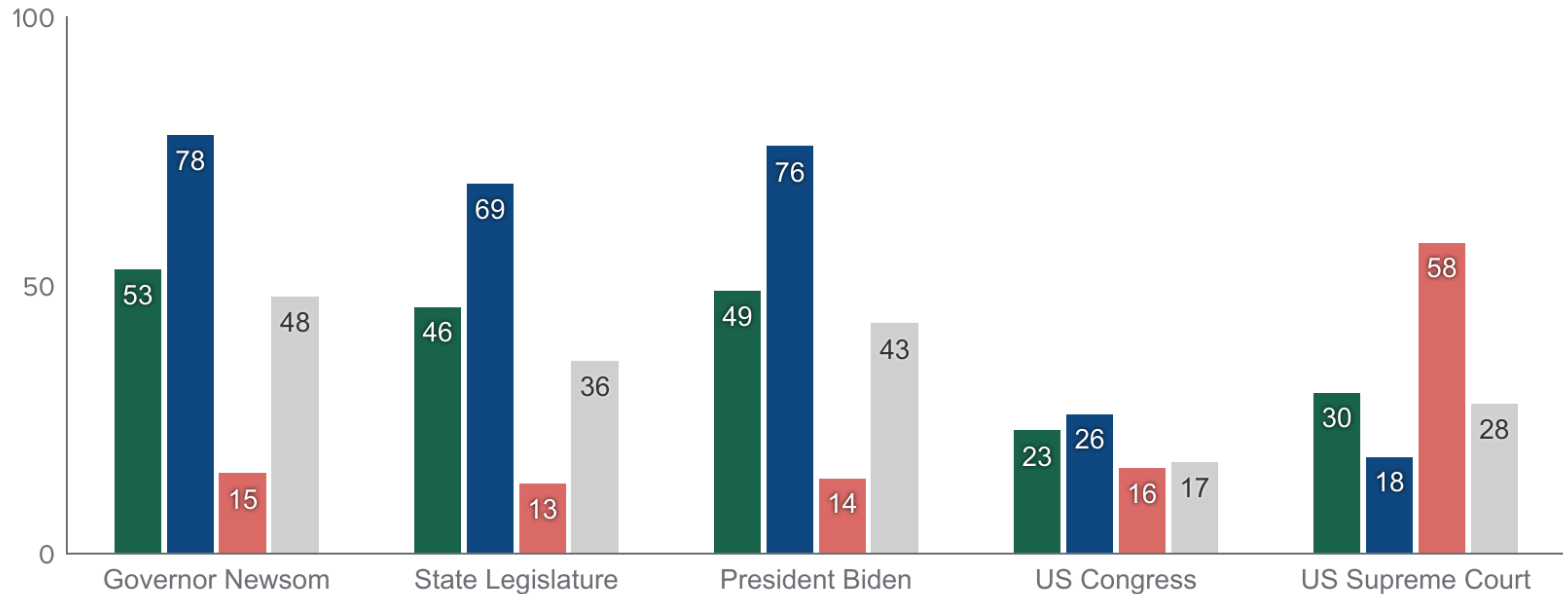
Among likely voters



# A majority approve of Newsom, while fewer than half approve of the state legislature

% approving

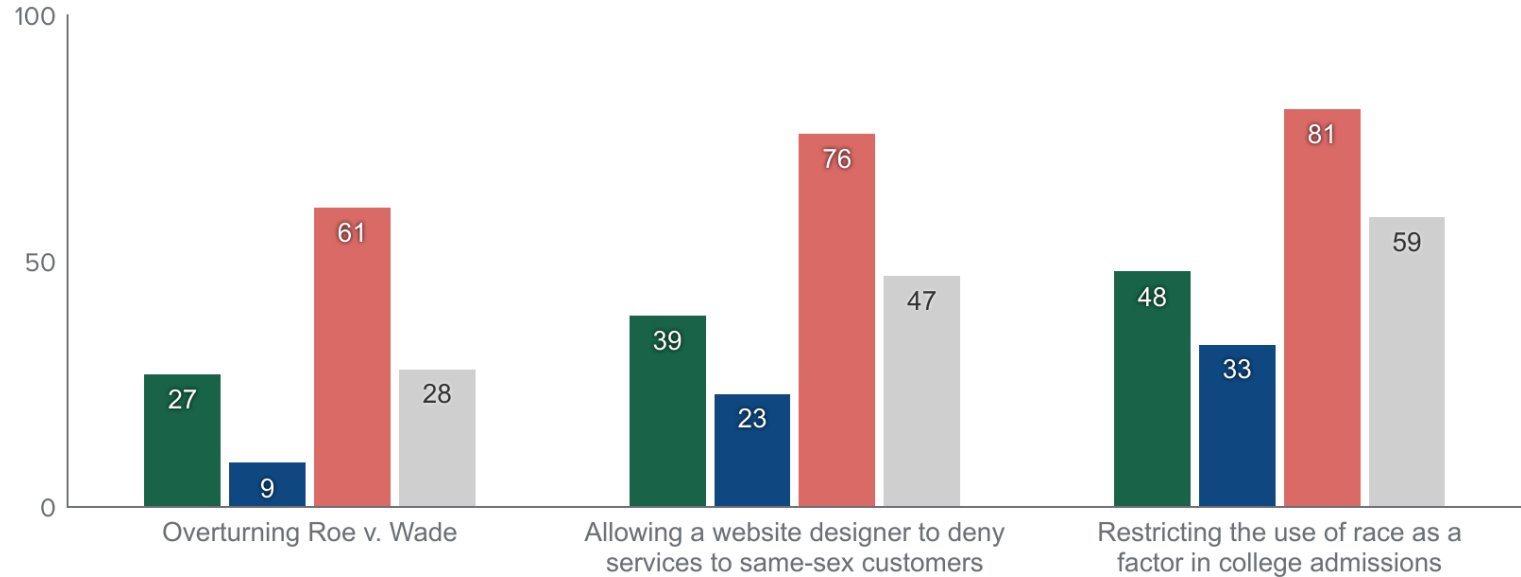
■ All adults ■ Democrats ■ Republicans ■ Independents



# Fewer than half of Californians approve of some recent Supreme Court decisions

% approving

All adults Democrats Republicans Independents





## Other topics

- Local economies and personal finances
- Personal well-being and mental health
- Job loss and potential job loss due to economic conditions
- California's health care system
- Ballot measures and the referendum process
- Party favorability and opinions on a third major party

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