



DEBT CEILING REPORT

Voters Want Biden To Negotiate,
Compromise

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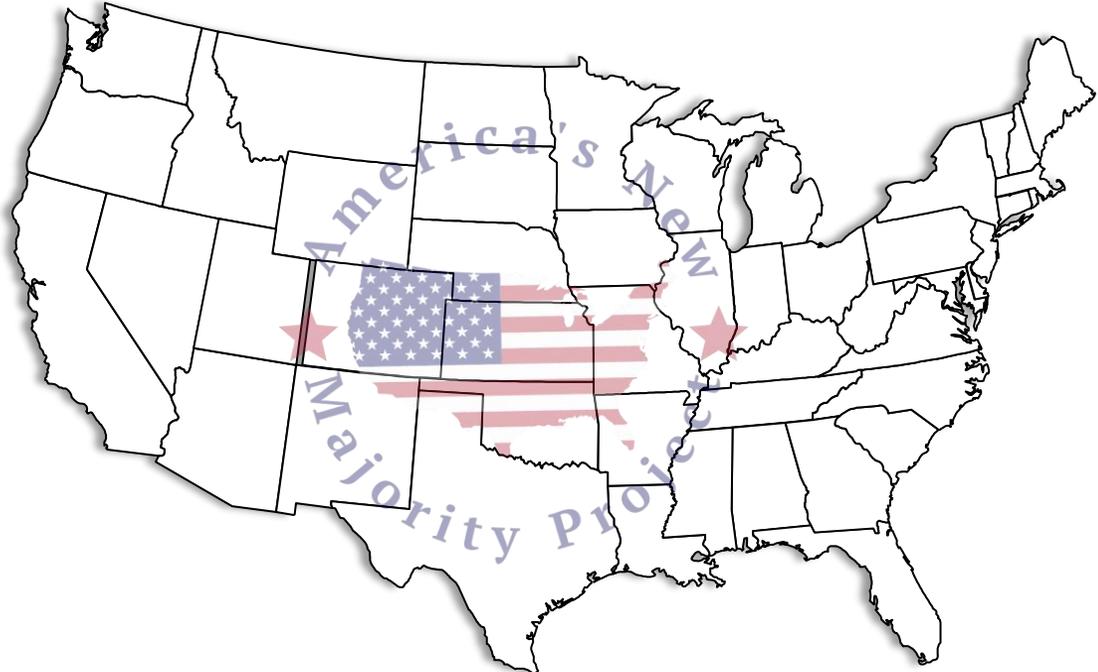


Methodology

Mclaughlin & Associates partnered with Gingrich360 to conduct a national survey for America's New Majority Project. This national survey was conducted among 2,000 likely general election voters between May 4-7, 2023.

All interviews were conducted online. Survey invitations were distributed randomly within predetermined geographic units. These units were structured to correlate with actual general election turnout.

The sample of 2,000 likely general election voters has an accuracy of +/- 2.2% at a 95% confidence interval. The numbers in this presentation have been rounded and may not equal 100%.



New England	5%
Middle Atlantic	13%
East North Central	15%
West North Central	7%
South Atlantic	21%
East South Central	6%
West South Central	10%
Mountain	8%
Pacific	16%

18-29	15%
30-40	17%
41-55	25%
56-65	19%
66+	24%

White	68%
Hispanic	13%
Black	13%
Asian	4%
Other	2%

Male	47%
Female	53%

Democratic	37%
Republican	36%
Independent	27%

Less/4yr College	60%
Bachelor's/P.G	40%



Key Takeaways

- Americans support federal spending cuts and want President Biden to negotiate and find a compromise with Speaker McCarthy.
- This is a rejection of the Biden hardline position for a so-called “clean” debt ceiling increase.
- Voters also disagree with the Biden rhetorical framework of a so-called “clean” debt ceiling increase without spending cuts.
- The Democrats’ insistence on no spending cuts in a debt ceiling bill is a liability in the 2024 Congressional elections.

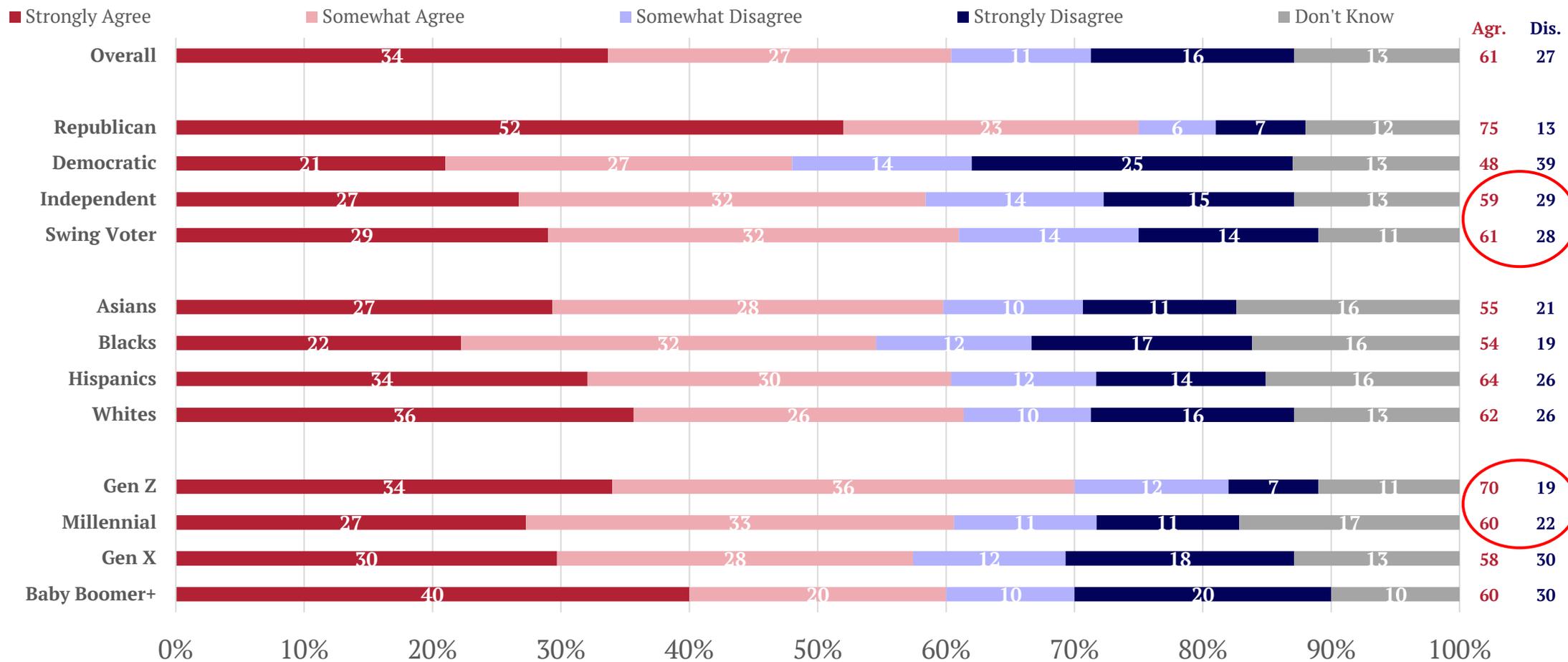
BOTTOM LINE - Americans want government to cut spending and they want Republicans and Democrats to compromise to get things done. Biden and the Democrats find themselves on the wrong side of public opinion on both issues.



More Than Six in Ten Americans Say Biden Must Compromise with Speaker McCarthy on Spending Cuts in Debt Ceiling Bill

After passage of the Limit, Save, Grow Act, nearly six in ten Independents (58%), five in ten Democrats (48%), seven in ten Gen Z (70%) and more than six in ten Swing Voters (62%) say “House Republicans have done their job” and Biden and Senate Democrats “must negotiate a compromise with House Speaker McCarthy.”

Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? “House Republicans have done their job and passed a responsible debt ceiling increase. Now President Biden and Senate Democrats must do their job and negotiate a compromise with House Speaker McCarthy to avoid an economic catastrophe.”

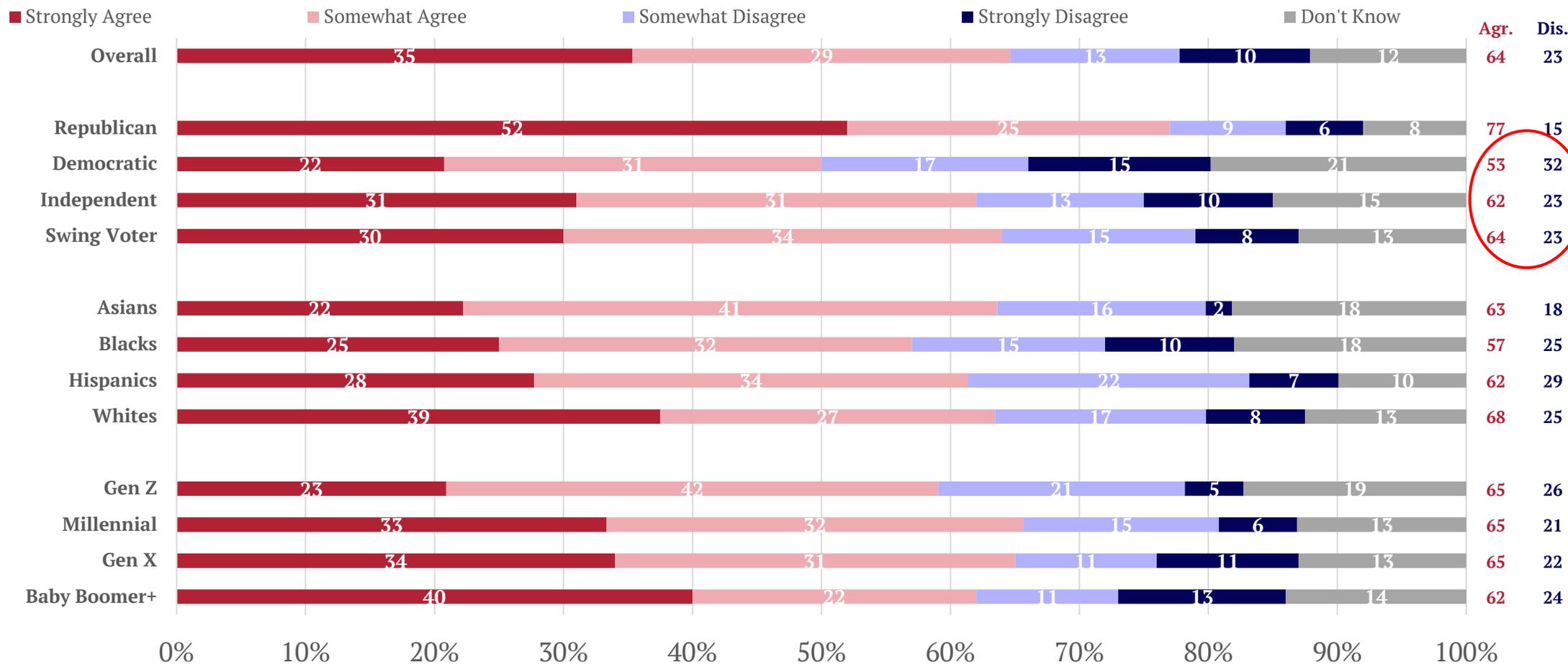


More Than Six in Ten Americans Reject the Biden Rhetorical Framework of a So-Called “Clean” Debt Ceiling Increase Without Spending Cuts

Voters instead believe that a debt ceiling increase without spending cuts is a “dirty” debt ceiling bill, including more than six in ten Independents (62%), Swing voters (64%), Asians (63%), Hispanics (62%), Gen Z (65%), and Millennials (65%).

- Even more than five in ten Democrats (53%) reject the Biden framing.

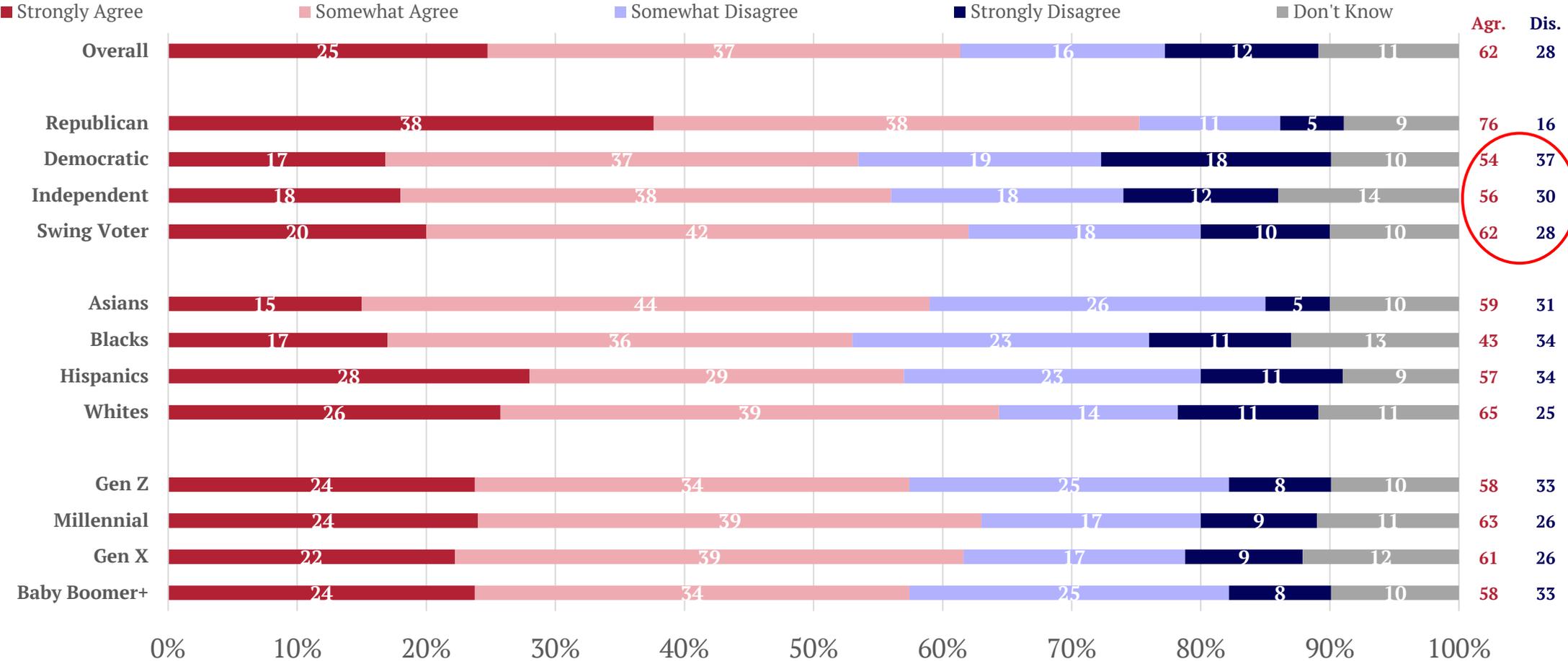
Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? “Raising the debt ceiling without cutting spending is actually a “dirty” debt ceiling deal because it means more debt, higher inflation, and weakening Social Security and Medicare.”



Americans support spending cuts to get the debt and deficit under control even if they are personally impacted

Majorities of Republicans (76%), Democrats (54%), Independents (56%) and Swing Voters (62%) support spending cuts “even if they impact me and my family personally.”

Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? “I support spending cuts to get the debt and deficit under control even if they impact me and my family personally.”

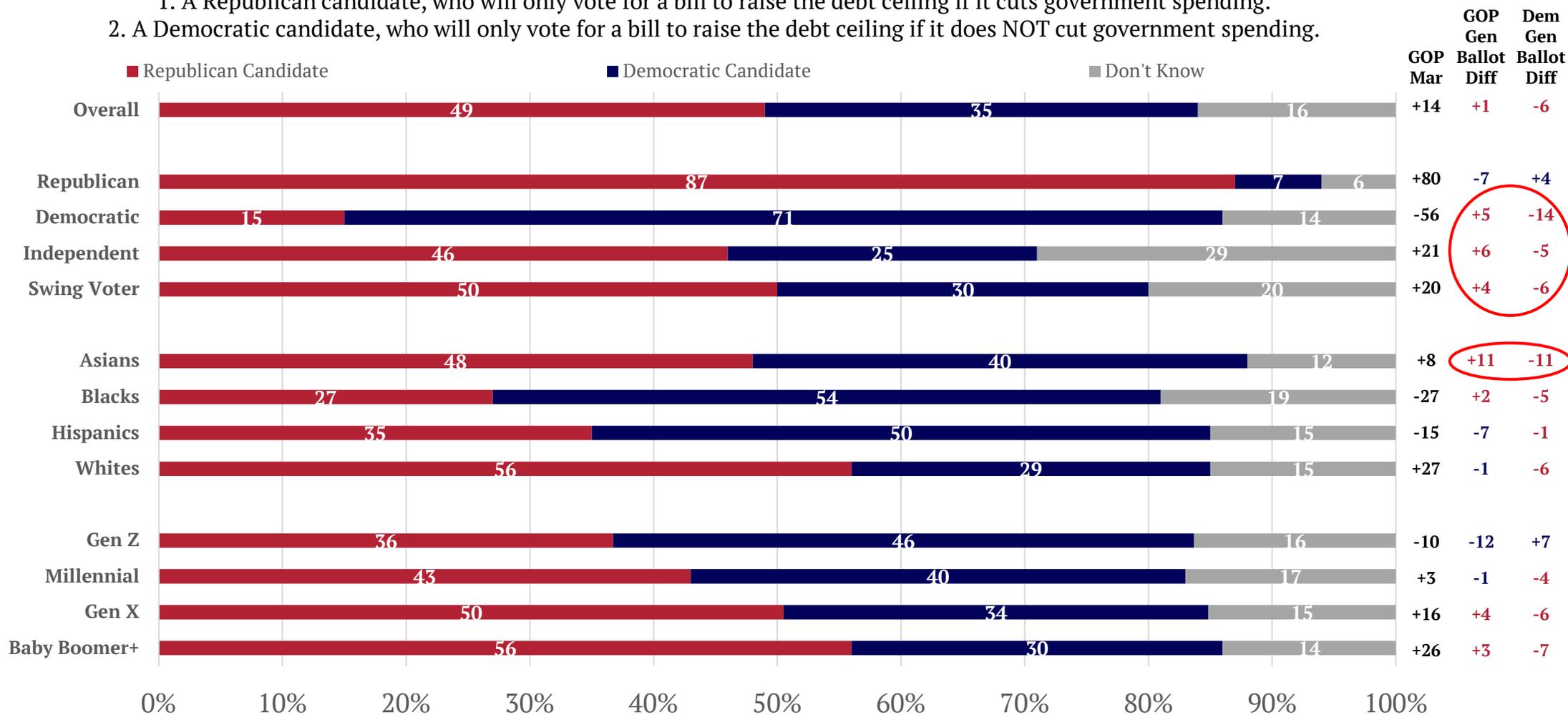


Nearly 50% of Americans Prefer a Republican Candidate Who Will Only Vote for a Debt Ceiling Increase If It Cuts Government Spending

Net movement towards Republicans when the 2024 congressional election is framed on the issue, though it is not uniform. Republicans gain support from Independents, Gen X, Democrats and Women but lose support from Gen Z, Hispanics and self-identified Republicans.

Which candidate for Congress would you be more likely to support?

1. A Republican candidate, who will only vote for a bill to raise the debt ceiling if it cuts government spending.
2. A Democratic candidate, who will only vote for a bill to raise the debt ceiling if it does NOT cut government spending.





About The American Majority Project

The American Majority Project is committed to helping a wide range of Americans — Republicans, Democrats, and Independents — find common ground to solve the extraordinary challenges threatening American prosperity, safety and freedom.

The American Majority Project will identify issues and language that unify 70 - 80 percent of the American people. As issues are identified and language is developed, the American Majority Project will produce materials to educate and train activists, candidates, and campaign staff to win elections and govern successfully.

About The Study

Analysis based on poll of 2000 likely general election voters conducted by McLaughlin & Associates on behalf of The American Majority Project from May 4 – 7, 2023.

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