

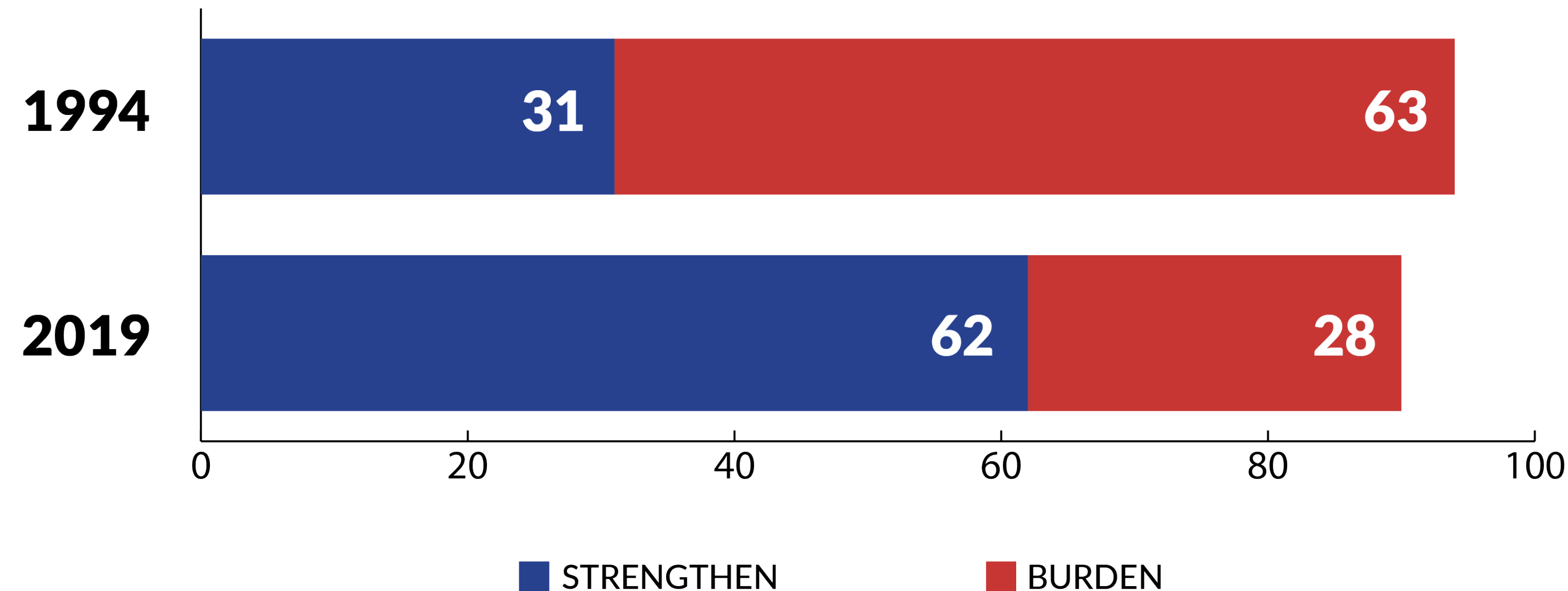
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IMMIGRATION POLLING OVERVIEW

DECEMBER 2020

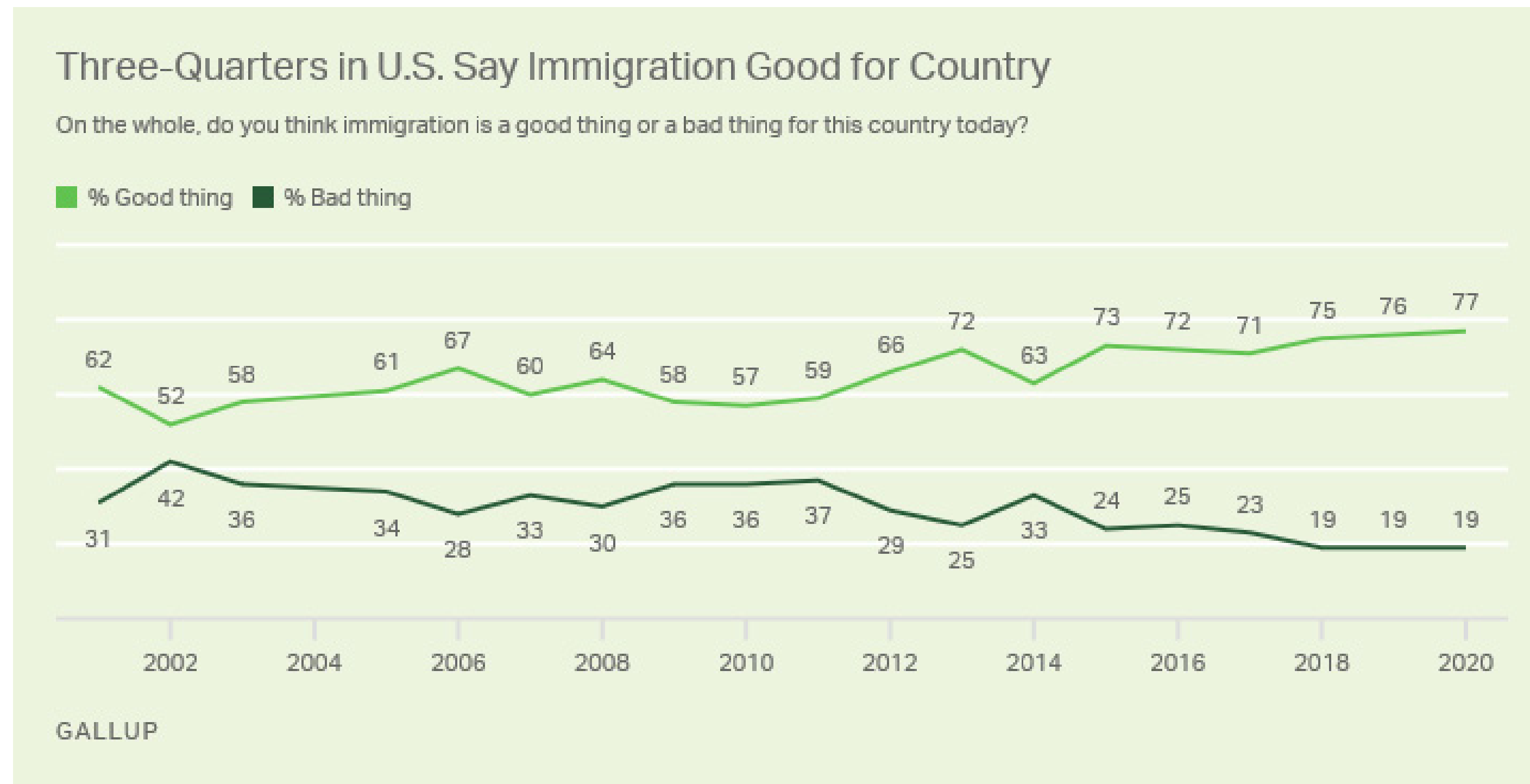
Americans Have Moved in a Pro-Immigrant Direction Over Time: Pew Research

Since 1994, Americans have moved 66-percentage points in a pro-immigrant direction on the periodic Pew Research question whether immigrants are more of a strength or a burden to the country.



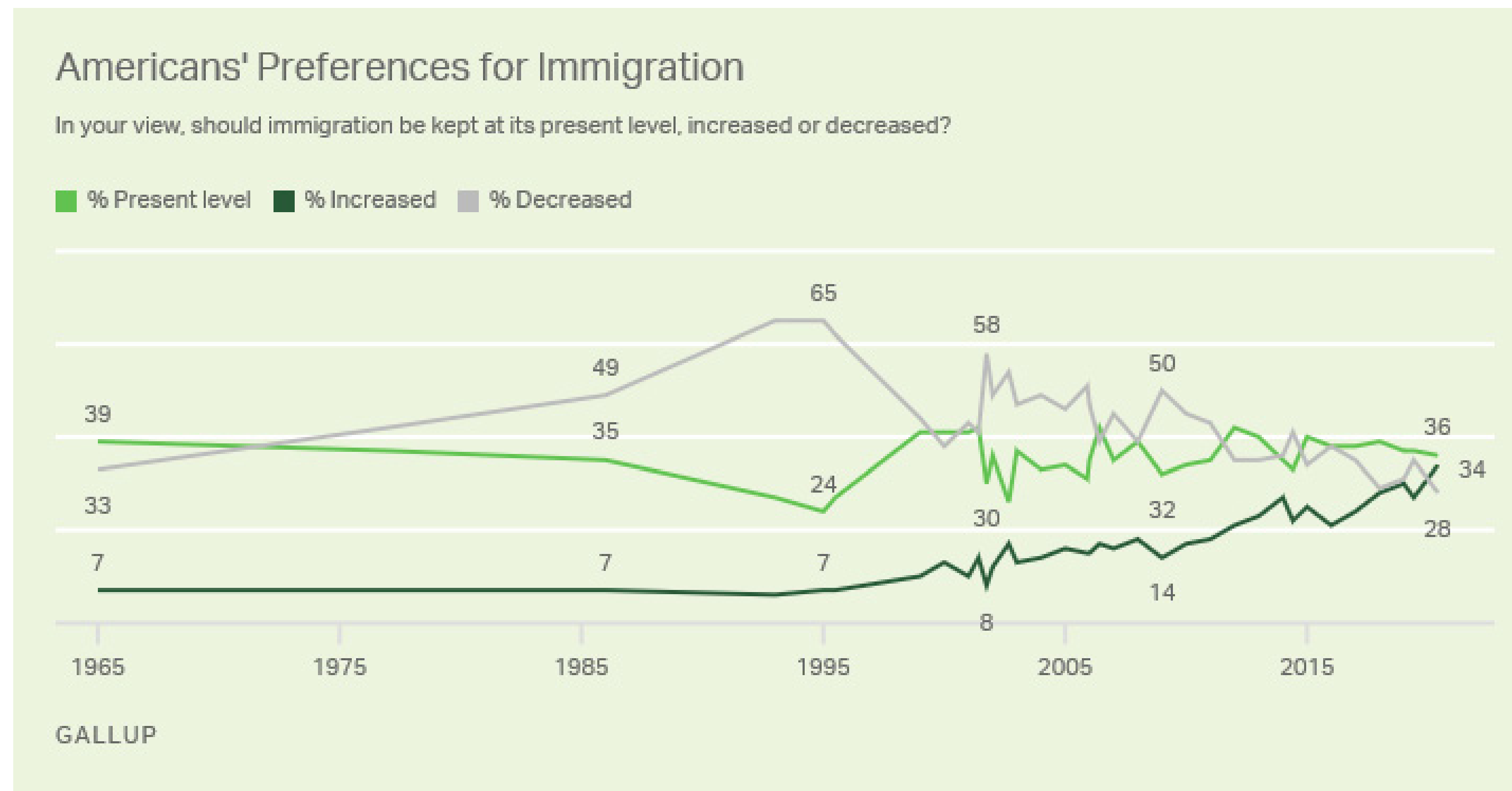
Americans Have Moved in a Pro-Immigrant Direction Over Time: Gallup

Since 2001, Gallup has asked whether immigration is more of a good thing or a bad thing for the country in 19 separate polls. Gallup's July 2020 poll found a record high 77% support for immigration as a "good thing" and a record low 19% support for immigration as a "bad thing."



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Since 1965, Gallup has annually asked whether immigration should be kept at present levels, increased, or decreased. Gallup's July 2020 poll found a record-high 34% saying "increased" - the highest number Gallup ever found - and a record-low 28% saying "decreased." It's the first time more Americans said "increased" rather than "decreased."



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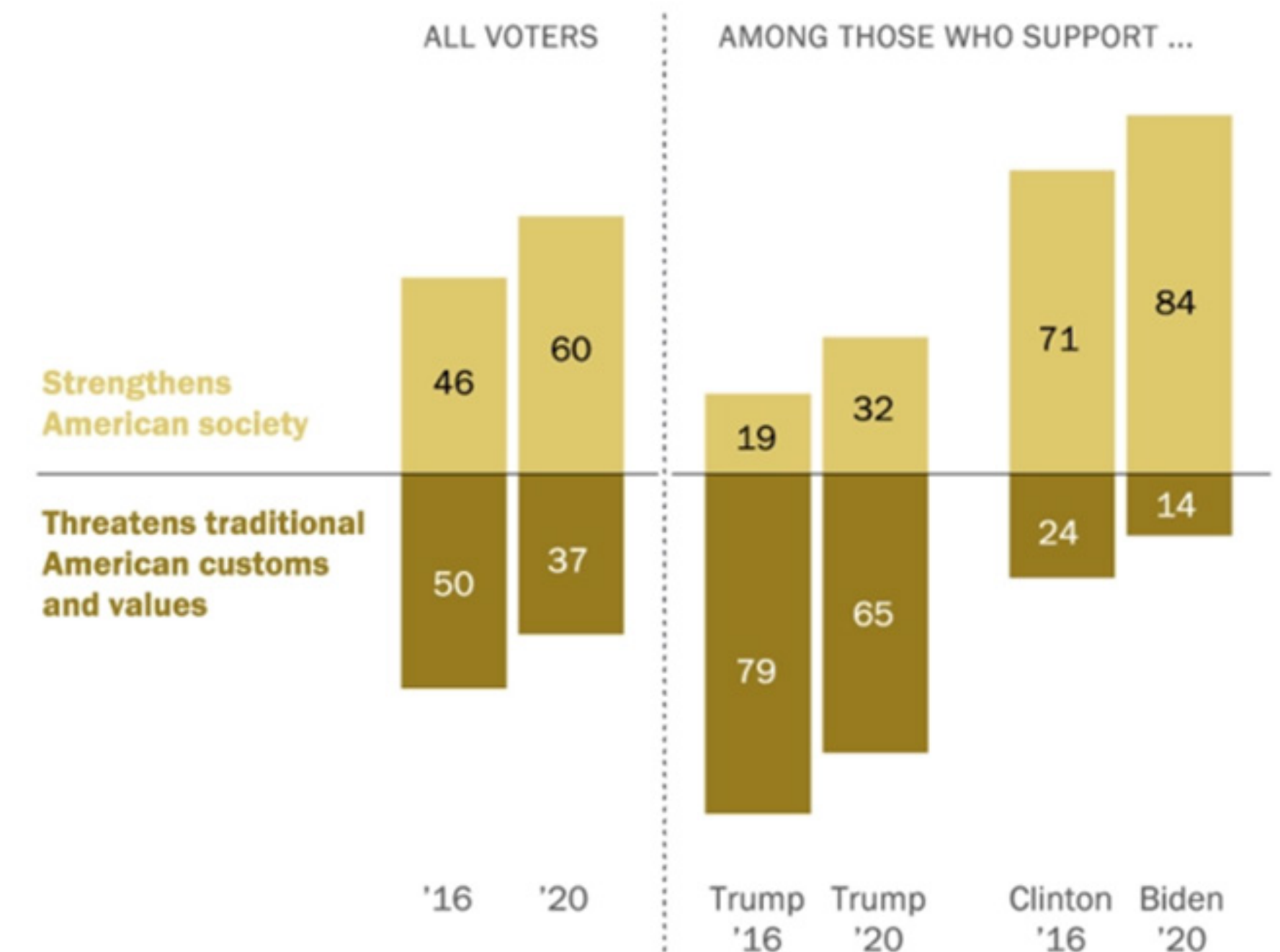
Pew 2016 polling: 50% of voters said the “growing number of newcomers threaten traditional American customs and values” and 46% said the “growing number of newcomers strengthens American society”

Pew September 2020 polling: 60% say newcomers strengthen American society and 37% say they threaten traditional customs and values.

Pew Research Center 

Majority of voters say growing number of newcomers to the U.S. strengthens American society

% of registered voters who say the growing number of newcomers from other countries ...



Notes: Based on registered voters. No answer responses not shown.
Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted July 27-Aug. 2, 2020.

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Trump has shifted the country to the left — or at least away from his own views

October 19, 2020

"Trump has driven Americans, including many Republicans, away from his positions ... Take immigration. Through xenophobic rhetoric and more than 400 executive actions, his administration has made government more anti-immigrant. But those same choices seem to have helped to make the public more pro-immigrant."

- Catherine Rampell

The Washington Post

The Longer Trump Stays in Office, the More Americans Oppose His Views

August 19, 2019

"Trump has managed to force a national conversation around immigration, but rather than bring people to his side, he has convinced them he's wrong."

- David Graham

The Atlantic

Trump Is Making Americans More Immigrant-Friendly

December 19, 2018

"Trump Is making Americans more immigrant-friendly ... Polls show that support is increasing for the people he attacks."

- Francis Wilkinson

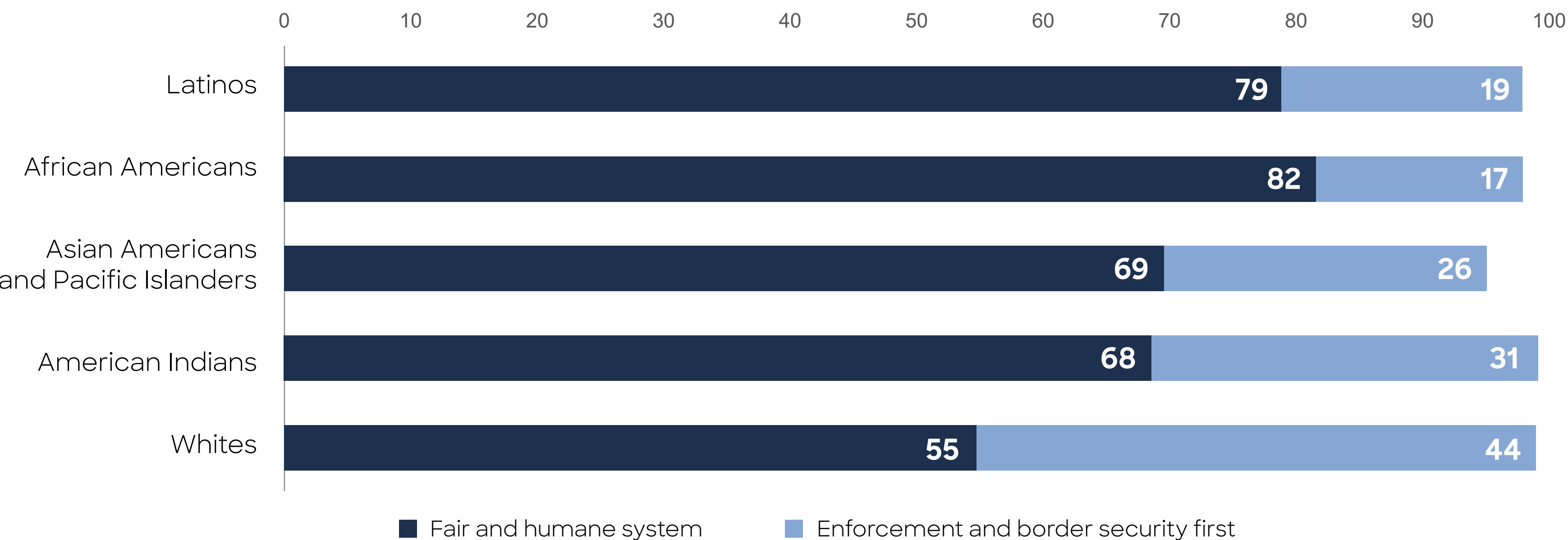
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American Election Eve Poll Results: Strong Preference for “Fair and Humane” Immigration Policy Over “Enforcement and Border Security First”

Which immigration statement do you agree with more:

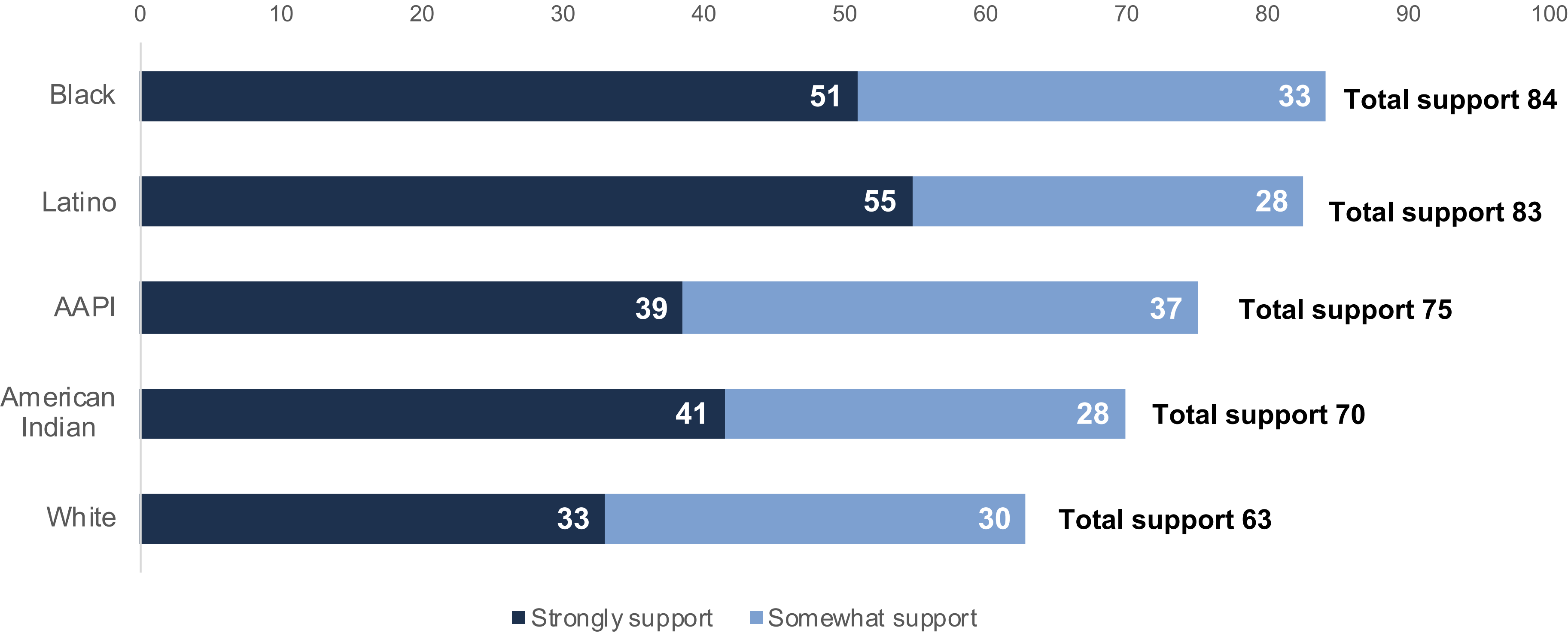
“Our immigration policy should focus on enforcement and border security first, including deporting those here illegally, cracking down on abuse of our asylum laws, and finishing the border wall,” OR

“Our immigration policy should focus on creating a humane system that is fair to all, including stopping the separation of children from their parents, establishing a path to citizenship for undocumented immigrants who work and live here, and creating new laws to ensure there is a fair process for people to legally enter the country.”



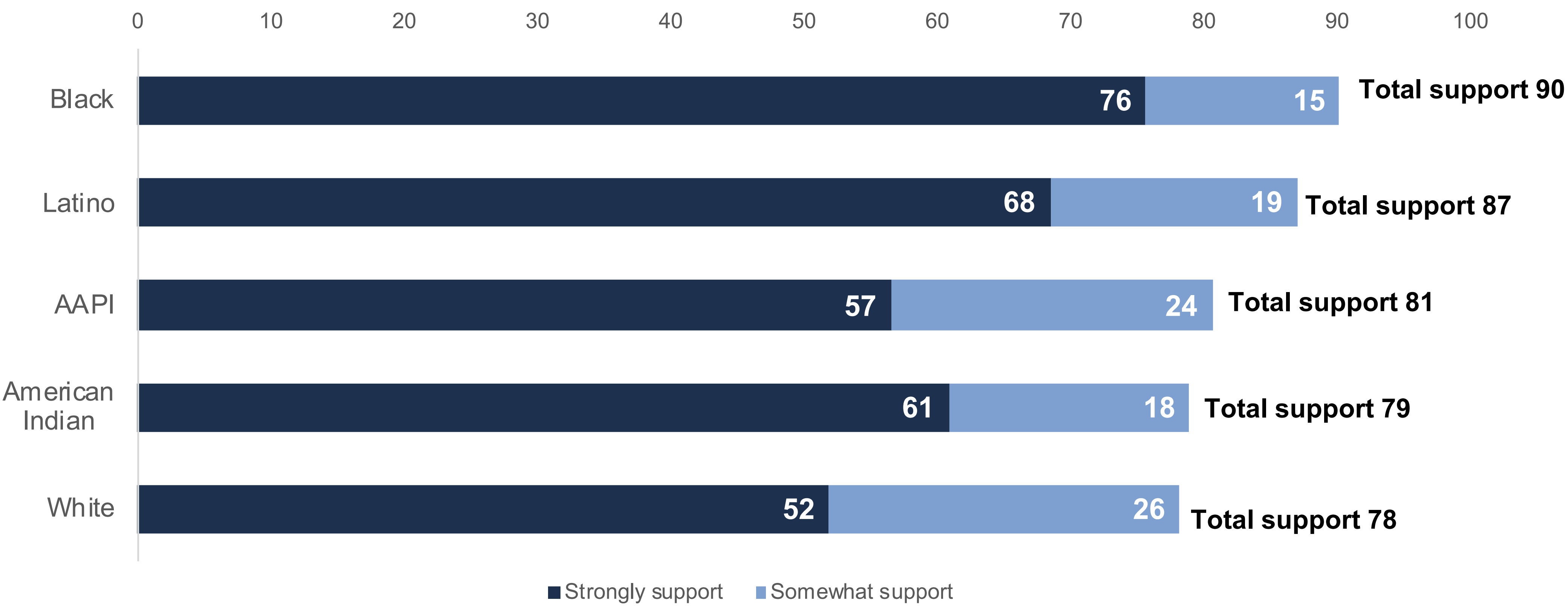
American Election Eve Poll Results: Strong Support for Path to Citizenship

We should reward undocumented immigrants who have risked their lives as essential workers during the pandemic with the opportunity to apply for citizenship in America.



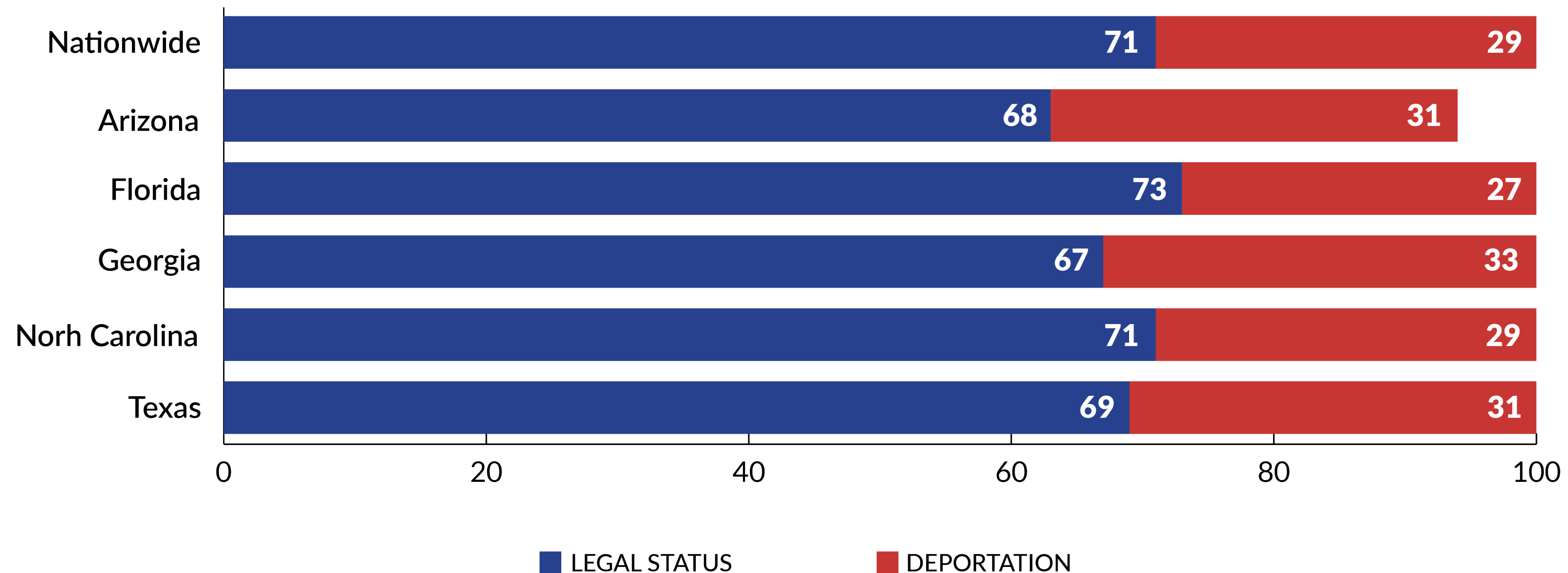
American Election Eve Poll Results: Strong Support for Ending Family Separations

We should end the policy of separating immigrant children from their parents at the border.



2020 AP/NPR/Fox News National Exit Poll Finds Strong Pro-Immigrant Sentiment

Should most immigrants living in the U.S. illegally be offered a chance to apply for legal status or deported to the country they came from:



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Recent Polling Finds Consistent & Overwhelming Support for Permanent Legal Status, Especially Citizenship, for Undocumented Immigrants

80-19% support for legal status for undocumented immigrants, including 64% for citizenship

October 2020

PRRI "American Values Survey" Poll



77% of 9,000 swing state voters interviewed supported a pathway to citizenship.

July 2020

Civis Analytics Swing State Voter Poll



74-24% support nationwide for allowing undocumented immigrants to "stay in the country legally, if certain requirements are met."

July 2020

Hart Research Nationwide Voter Poll



82-13% support for "path to citizenship" among voters in 12 battleground states

June 2020

Global Strategy Group Battleground State Polling



68% of undecided battleground state voters support a pathway to citizenship for undocumented immigrants.

July 2020

ALG Battleground State Polling



By a 61-24% margin, Americans support "creating a path to citizenship for illegal immigrants," including by pluralities or majorities of every partisan group: 80-11% among Democrats, 55-24% among Independents, and 45-39% among Republicans.

August 2019

Reuters/Ipsos Nationwide Polling



80% of Americans say our top priority for immigration policy is legalization and citizenship vs. 15% who prioritize deporting undocumented immigrants.

July 2019

CNN



4 out of 5 Americans Support Dreamers and DACA, Including Majorities of Republicans

Americans overwhelmingly support Dreamers and DACA according to poll after poll. While question wording differs slightly, polls are remarkably consistent in finding that approximately 4 out of 5 Americans, including a strong majority of Republicans, support Dreamers:

By 78-12%, Americans want Dreamers to stay and receive legal status

Politico/Morning Consult, June 2020

POLITICO

By 74-24%, Americans support Congress passing a law granting permanent legal status to Dreamers

Pew Research, June 2020

Pew Research Center



By 85-13%, Americans support Dreamers

CBS News, June 2020

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By 70-21%, Americans support DACA and strongly support legislative fix by similar margins

Hart Research/CAP Action, April 2020

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By 73-24% margin, Americans support Dreamers' legalization

Fox News, June 2020



By a 4:1 margin, 77-18%, Americans support citizenship for Dreamers

Global Strategy Group/FWD.us, May 2019

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At least 80% of Americans support policies keeping Dreamers in America in series of 2017-2018 DACA/Dreamers polls from CNN, Quinnipiac, Marist, CBS News, Fox News, and Washington Post/ABC News.

Fall 2017 & Winter 2018



Conservative Immigration Arguments Lose to Progressive Immigration Arguments

A Global Strategy Group Fall 2020 poll of more than 1,500 likely voters in 12 battleground states found that progressive immigration arguments are more popular than conservative immigration arguments when pitted head-to-head:

1. How to handle the 11 million undocumented immigrants currently living in the country:

62% agree with the progressive argument: “Instead of the mass deportation of millions of people, we should create a pathway to citizenship for those undocumented immigrants who are longstanding members of our communities.” **38% agree with the conservative side:** “We should target criminal illegal immigrants for deportation, but also that any illegal immigrant that comes into contact with law enforcement should be deported.”

2. Sanctuary cities and the role of local police in federal immigration enforcement:

60% agree with the progressive argument: “We make neighborhoods safer when we let local law enforcement decide how best to protect public safety and build trust with the communities they serve.” **40% agree with the conservative argument:** “We must ban sanctuary cities to keep dangerous criminals out of our communities”

3. Who should be eligible for financial relief during the coronavirus pandemic?

59% agree with the progressive argument: “Essential workers, like health care workers and farm workers, who have worked hard, paid taxes, and helped us get through the coronavirus pandemic should be eligible for financial relief.” **41% agree with the conservative argument:** “Those who say that we need to take care of U.S. citizens first and that it’s wrong to give a handout to illegal immigrants who broke the law.”