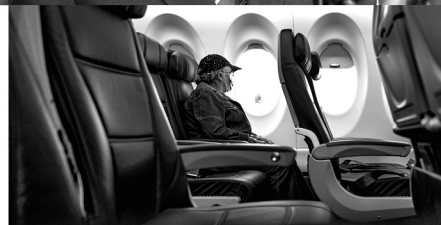
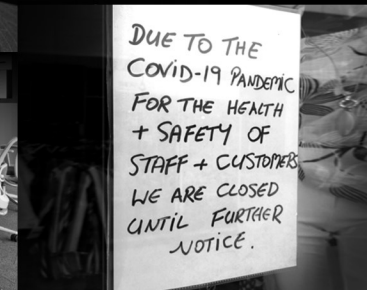
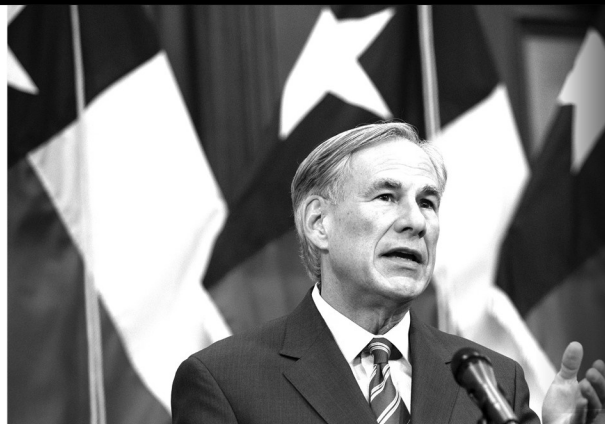


Trust and the  
Coronavirus  
in the U.S.



# Edelman Trust Barometer 2021



## 2021 Edelman Trust Barometer Special Report

# Trust and the Coronavirus in the U.S.

Fieldwork: March 5 – March 8, 2021  
Data in this report is compared to several past  
Trust Barometer Special Reports:

*Trust and the Coronavirus (March 16, 2020)*  
*Brands and the Coronavirus (March 30, 2020)*  
*Spring Update (May 4, 2020)*  
*2021 Edelman Trust Barometer (January 13, 2021)*

### Margin of error

- U.S. total margin of error: +/- 2.0% (n=2,500)
- Ethnicity-specific data margin of error: Non-Hispanic White +/- 2.5% (n=1,590); Black, Latinx, and Asian American +/- 5.1% to 7.8% (n=min 159, varies by ethnicity)

## U.S. Online Survey

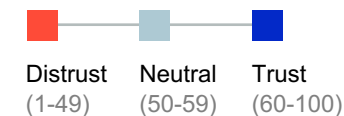
- 2,500 general population respondents
- All data is nationally representative based on age, region, gender, ethnicity

## Demographic Composition of March 2021 Sample

|        |     |                |     |              |     |
|--------|-----|----------------|-----|--------------|-----|
| Male   | 48% | White          | 63% | Trump voters | 31% |
| Female | 51% | Black          | 12% | Biden voters | 54% |
|        |     | Latinx         | 16% |              |     |
| 18-34  | 30% | Asian American | 6%  |              |     |
| 35-54  | 32% |                |     |              |     |
| 55+    | 38% | Northeast      | 19% | Urban        | 37% |
|        |     | Midwest        | 23% | Suburb       | 45% |
|        |     | South          | 36% | Rural        | 17% |
|        |     | West           | 22% |              |     |

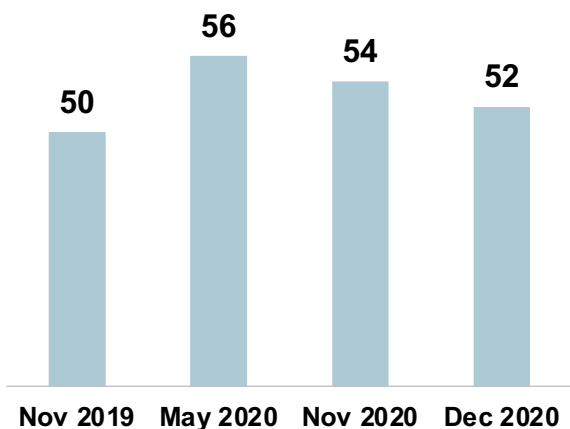
# U.S. TRUST DECLINES ACROSS ALL INSTITUTIONS FOLLOWING SPRING SURGE

Percent trust



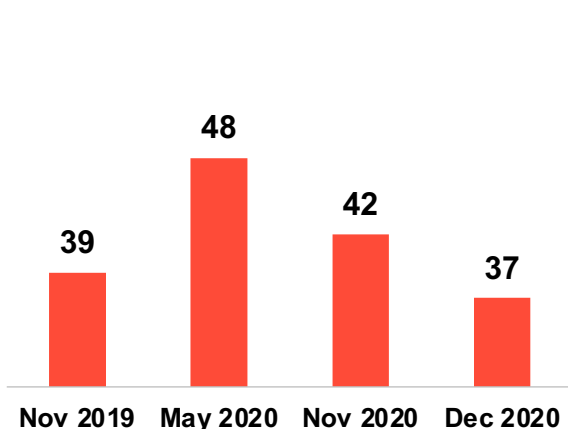
## Business

Since May, trust in business declines **4pts**



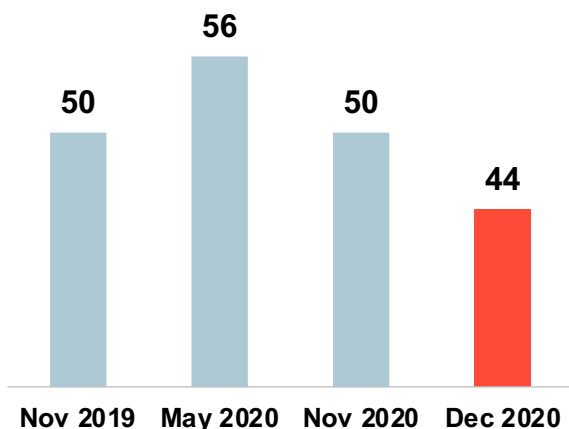
## Government

Since May, trust in government declines **11pts**



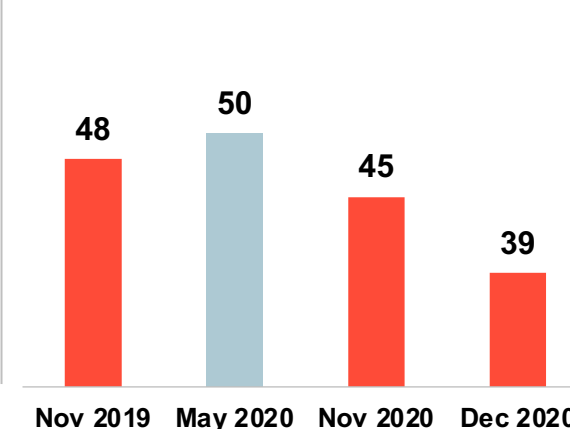
## NGOs

Since May, trust in NGOs declines **12pts**



## Media

Since May, trust in media declines **11pts**



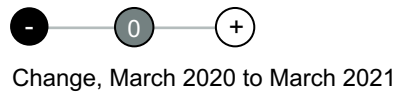
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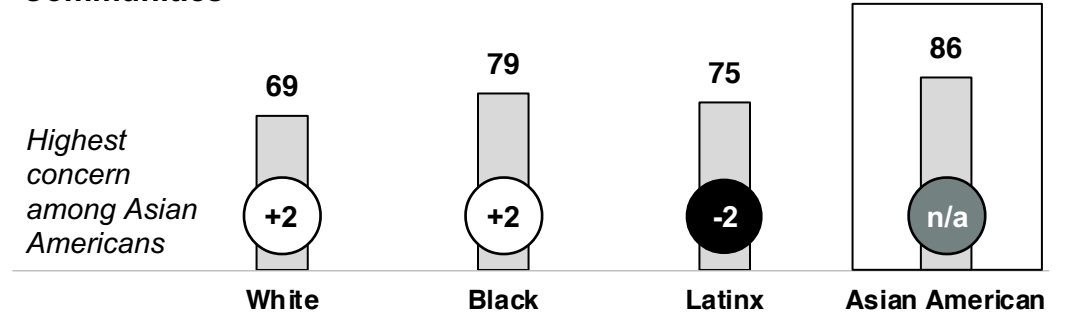
# VIRUS CONCERNS REMAIN HIGH

Percent of Americans who are concerned about the virus

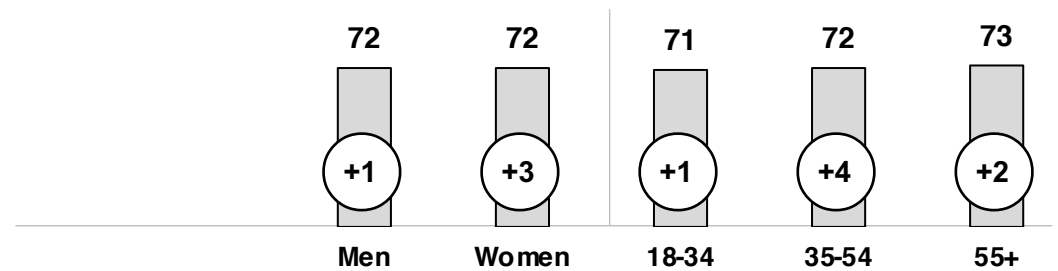


U.S. general population

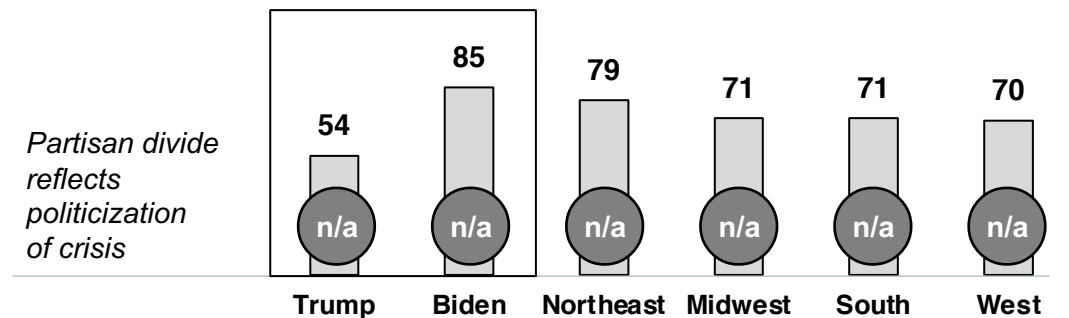
## Communities



## Gender | Age



## Voted for... | Region



# MORE THAN HALF HAVE EXPERIENCED COVID HEALTH IMPACT

Percent of Americans who have experienced health impact due to the pandemic

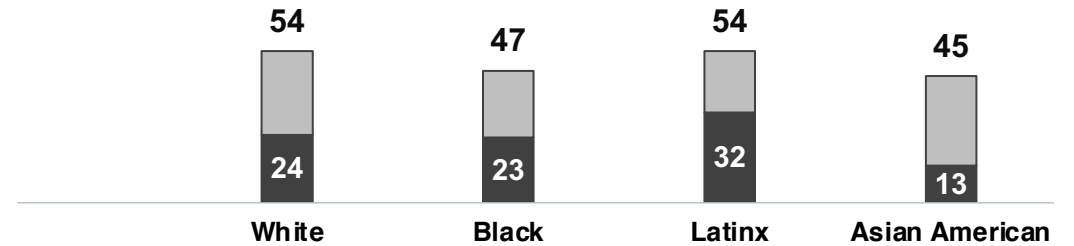
I have personally contracted Covid, or know someone who has

# 52%

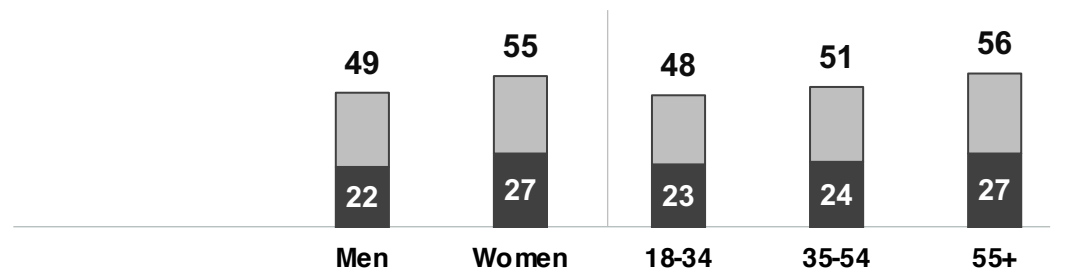
|    |                          |
|----|--------------------------|
| 27 | Not hospitalized         |
| 25 | Hospitalized or deceased |

U.S. general population

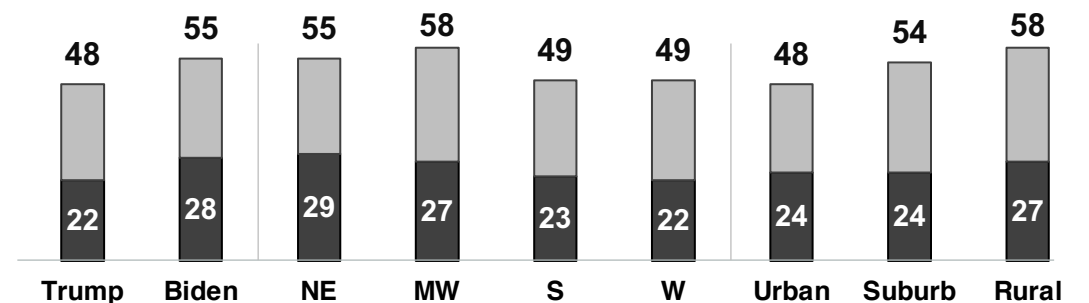
## Communities



## Gender | Age



## Voted for... | Geography



# MAJORITY OF AMERICANS STILL IN PANDEMIC SURVIVAL MODE

Which best describes how you're feeling?

*Communities of color report much higher pandemic mindset*

*Trump voters far more ready to return to pre-pandemic life*

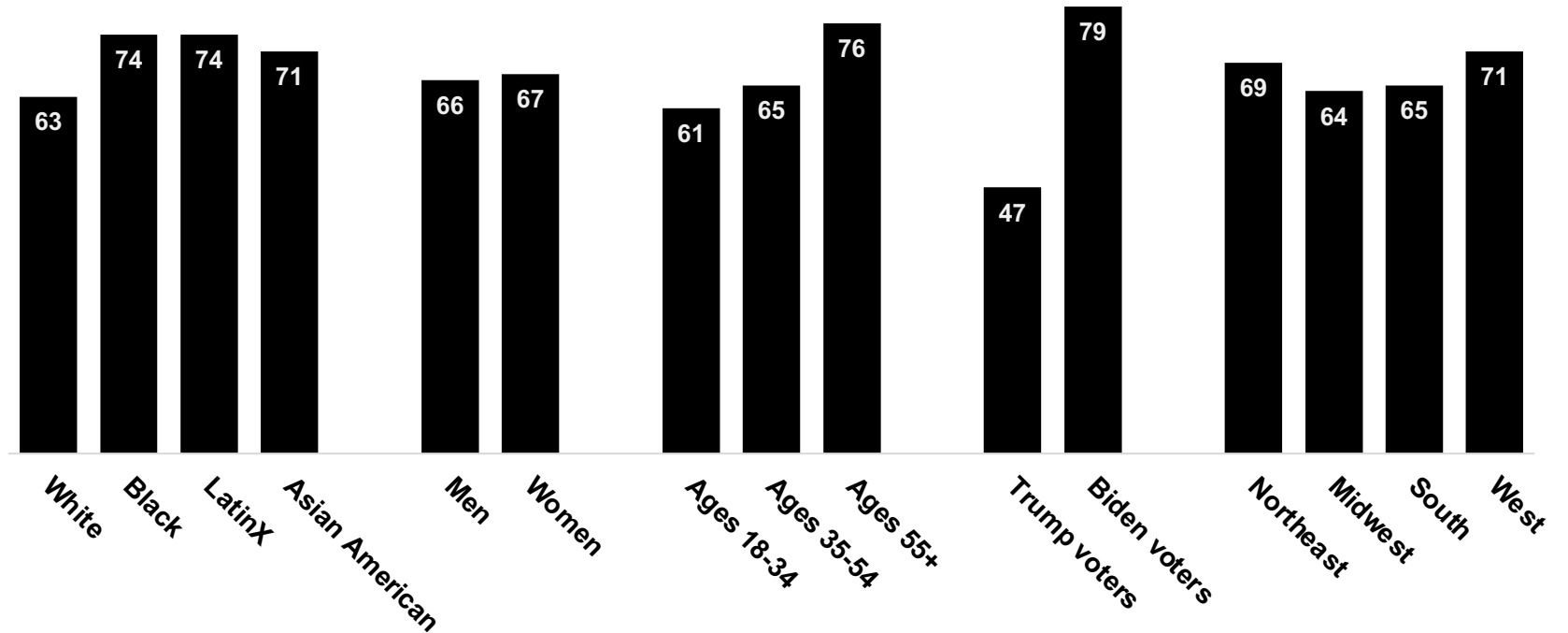
U.S. general population

**67%**

**I am still in a pandemic mindset** – worried about my safety and **operating in survival mode**

**vs** 

I feel that the pandemic is largely behind us and I am taking advantage of every opportunity I can to get back to my pre-pandemic life as quickly as possible



# MOST AMERICANS NOT READY FOR RETURN TO NORMAL

Which would or do you feel safe doing right now?

| U.S. general population                   |    | Among those who have been vaccinated |
|---|----|--------------------------------------|
| Going to doctors' offices                 | 56 | 69                                   |
| Shopping in stores                        | 55 | 57                                   |
| Dining indoors at restaurants             | 33 | 33                                   |
| Staying at hotels                         | 31 | 33                                   |
| Going to my workplace                     | 28 | 24                                   |
| Getting salon services                    | 28 | 33                                   |
| Sending kids to schools                   | 27 | 26                                   |
| Visiting elderly family members           | 25 | 26                                   |
| Meeting friends without social distancing | 25 | 21                                   |
| Flying commercial airlines                | 20 | 23                                   |
| Using public transportation               | 16 | 13                                   |

*Vaccination does not confer immediate peace of mind about resuming normal activities*

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# LOW TRUST IN PANDEMIC RESPONSE

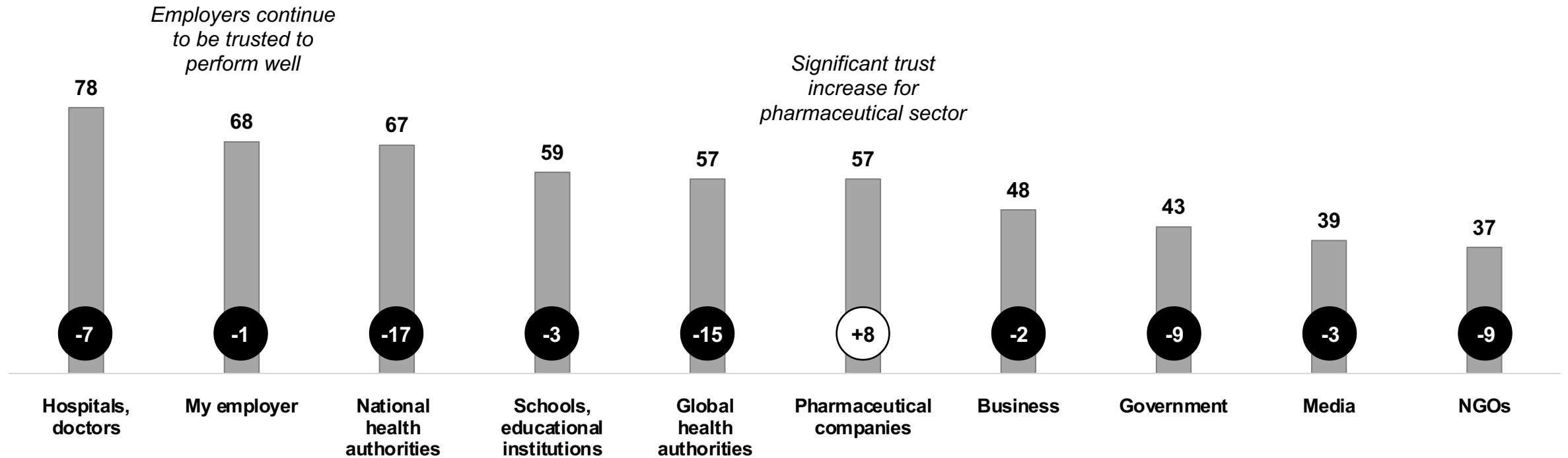
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# ONE YEAR INTO THE PANDEMIC, INSTITUTIONS EVEN LESS TRUSTED TO RESPOND

Percent of Americans who trust each of the following to respond effectively and responsibly to the pandemic

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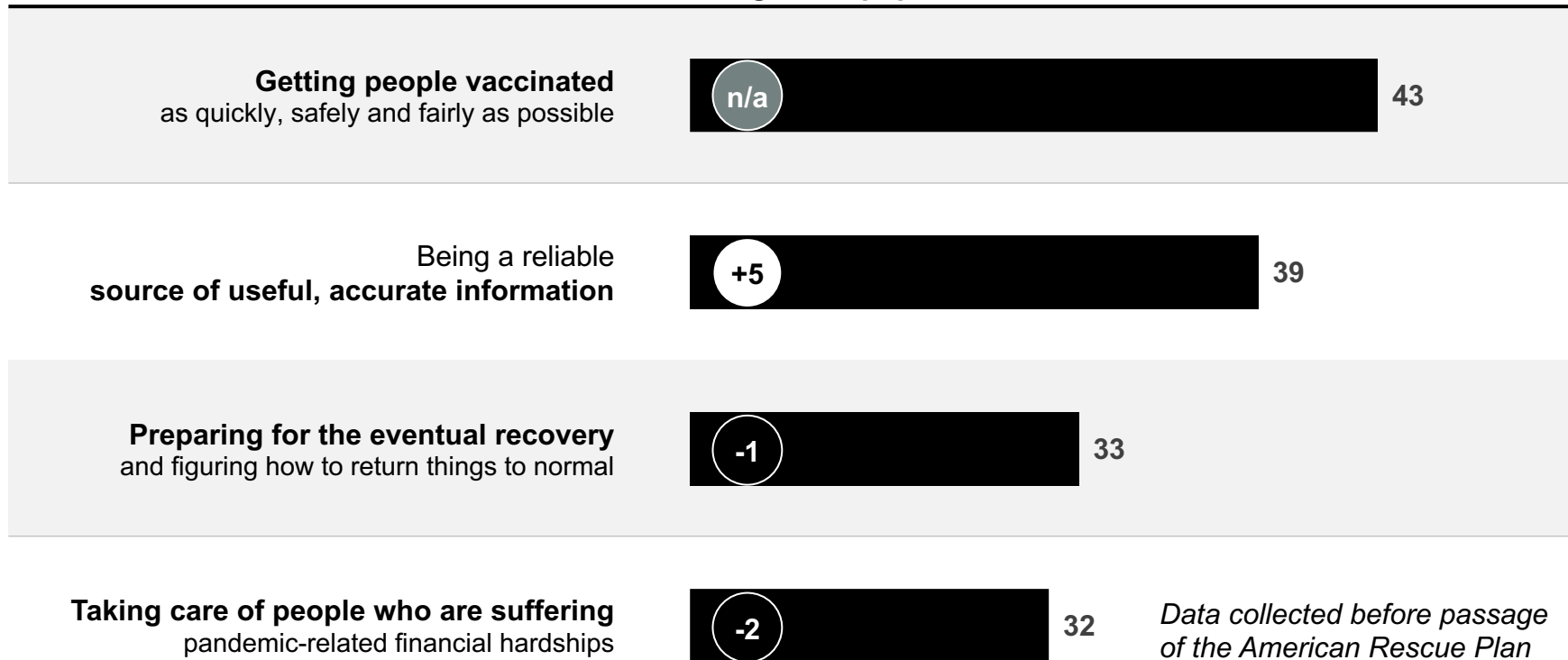
# GOVERNMENT FAILING TO ADDRESS CRISIS OR PLAN FOR THE FUTURE

Percent of Americans who say the national government is doing well on each of the following during the pandemic



Change, May 2020 to March 2021

## U.S. general population



*Data collected before passage of the American Rescue Plan*

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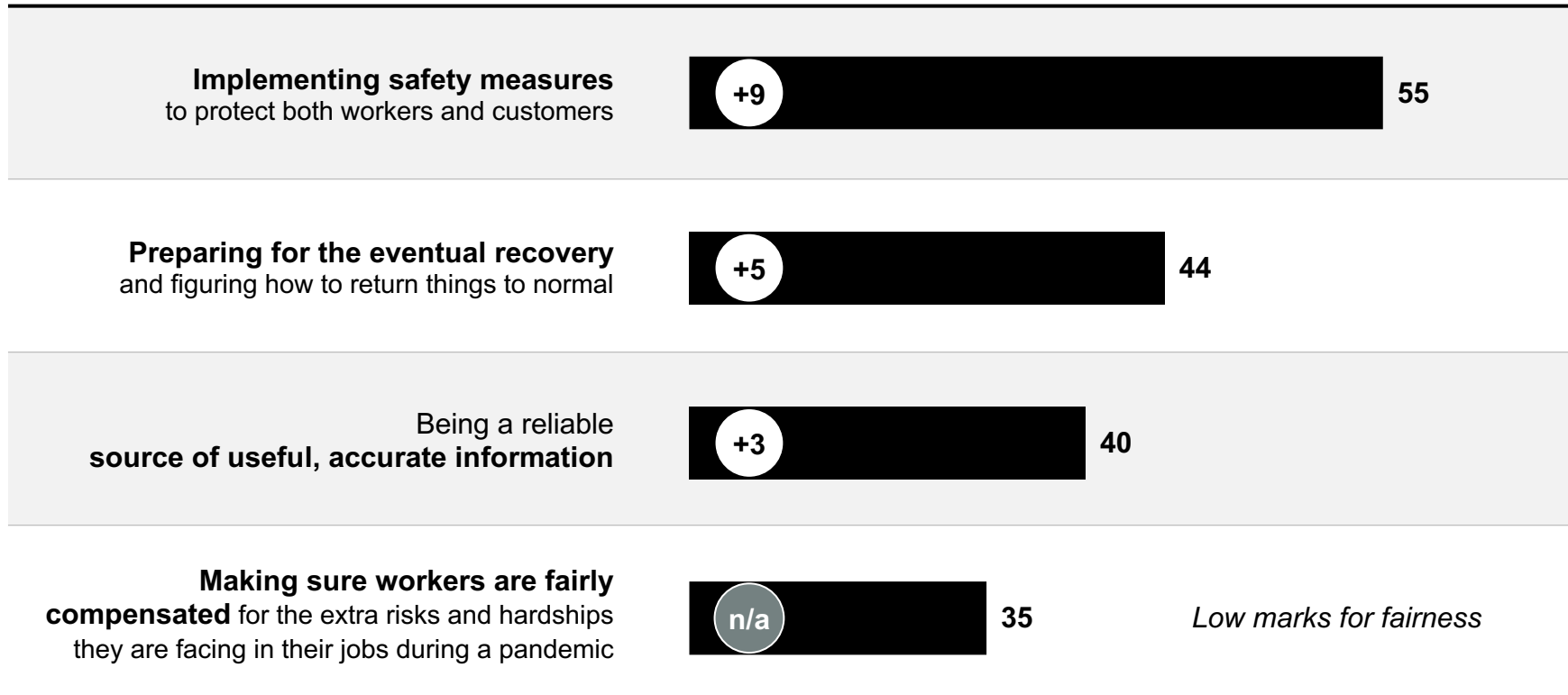
# IMPROVED MARKS FOR BUSINESS PANDEMIC RESPONSE

Percent of Americans who say business in general is doing well on each of the following during the pandemic



Change, May 2020 to March 2021


## U.S. general population



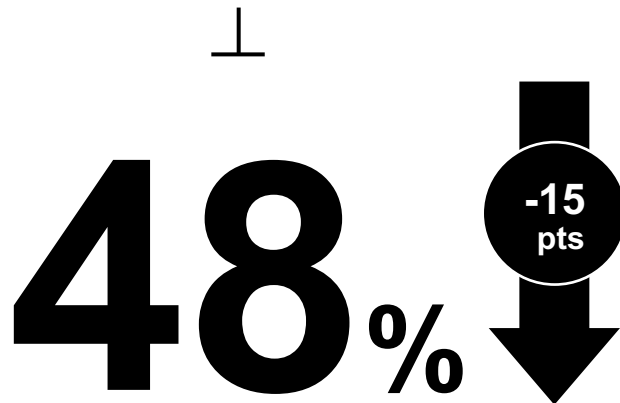
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# BRAND RESPONSE STILL CRITICAL BUT LESS ACUTE

Percent of Americans who agree

 Change, March 2020 to March 2021

Overall, I think **brands and companies are responding more quickly and effectively to the pandemic** than the government is



**How well a brand responds** to this crisis will have a **huge impact on my likelihood to buy that brand** in the future



Since May 2020,

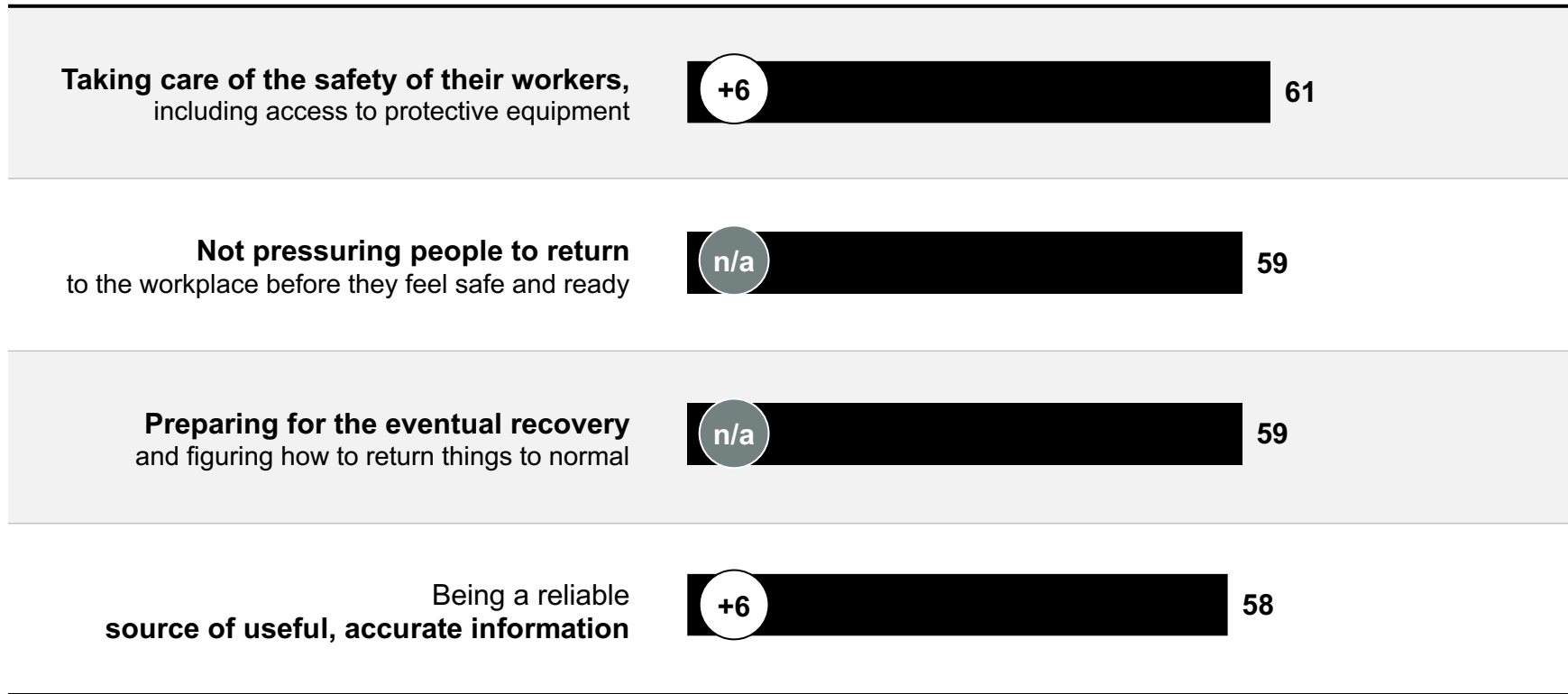
# MAJORITY APPROVE OF EMPLOYER PANDEMIC RESPONSE

Percent of Americans who say their employer is doing well on each of the following



Change, May 2020 to March 2021

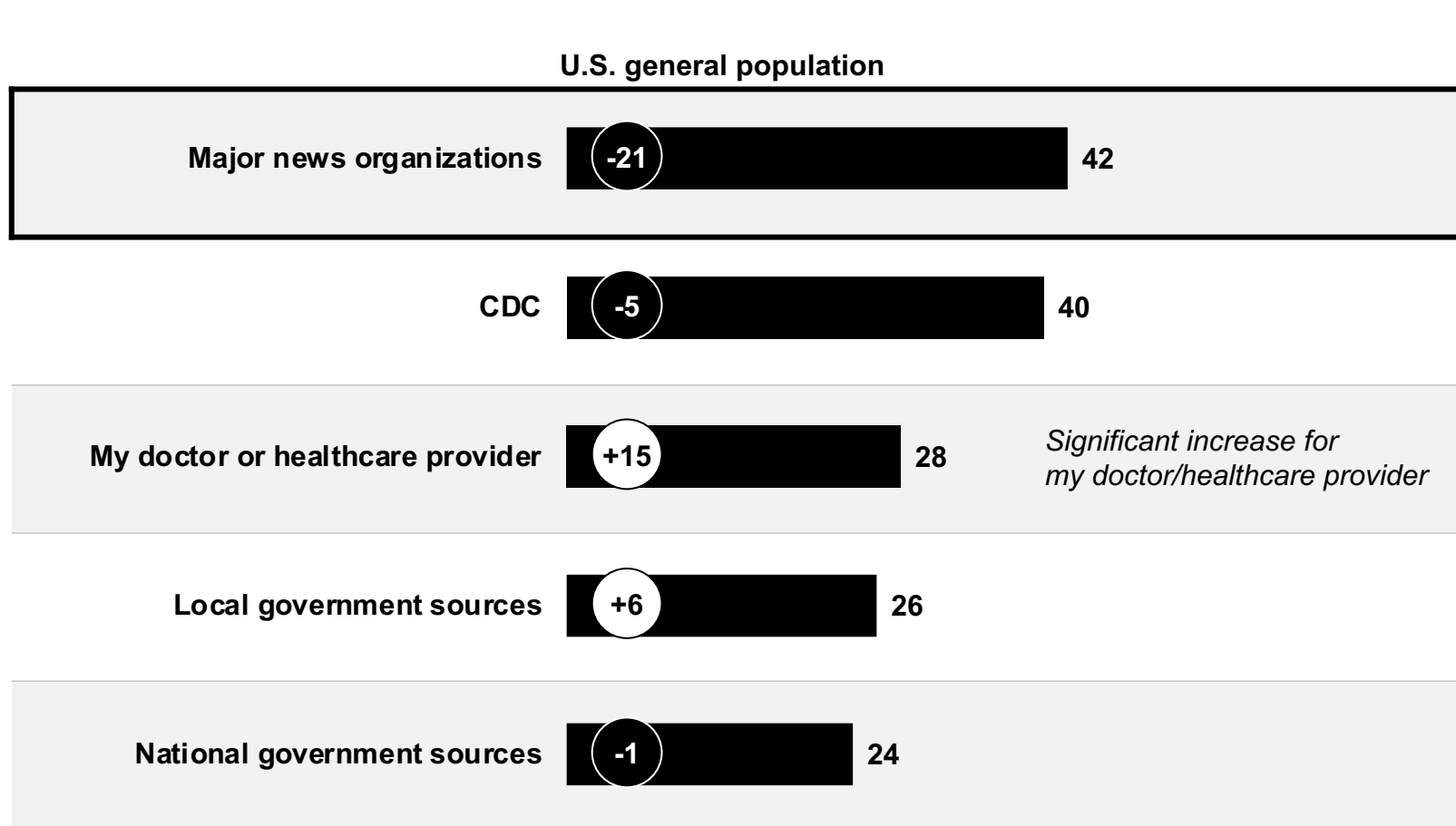
## U.S. general population



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# AMERICANS RELYING LESS ON NEWS OUTLETS FOR PANDEMIC INFORMATION

Percent of Americans who get information about the virus from each source



Change, March 2020 to March 2021

# DOCTORS, SCIENTISTS MOST TRUSTED FOR VACCINE INFORMATION

Percent of Americans who trust each source to tell the truth about the COVID-19 vaccines



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# VACCINE INFORMATION, ACCESS AND CONFIDENCE

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# MORE THAN 1 IN 3 LACK ACCESS TO VACCINE INFORMATION

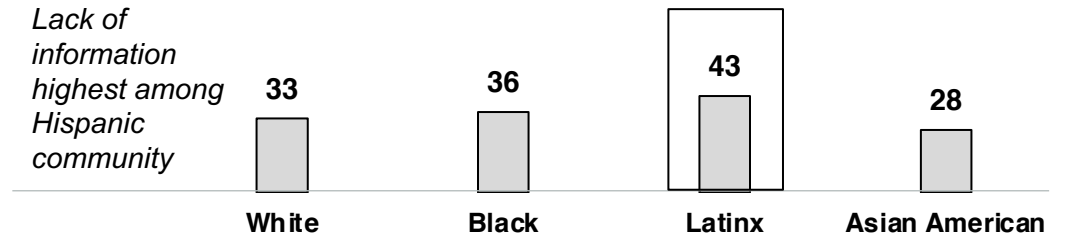
Percent of Americans who agree

I do not have the information I need to decide whether or not it is safe and worthwhile to get vaccinated

# 35%

U.S. general population

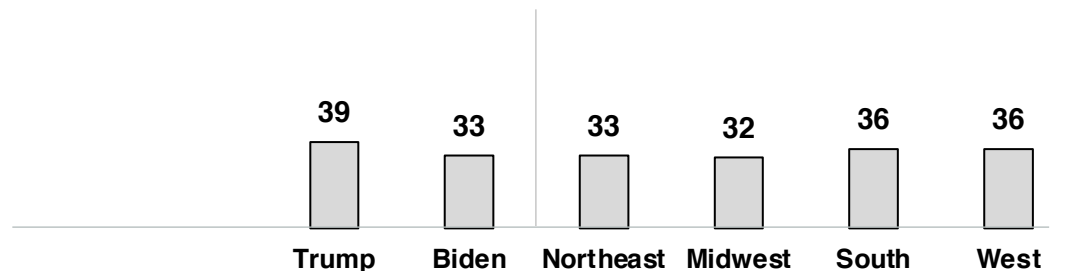
## Communities



## Gender | Age



## Voted for.. | Region



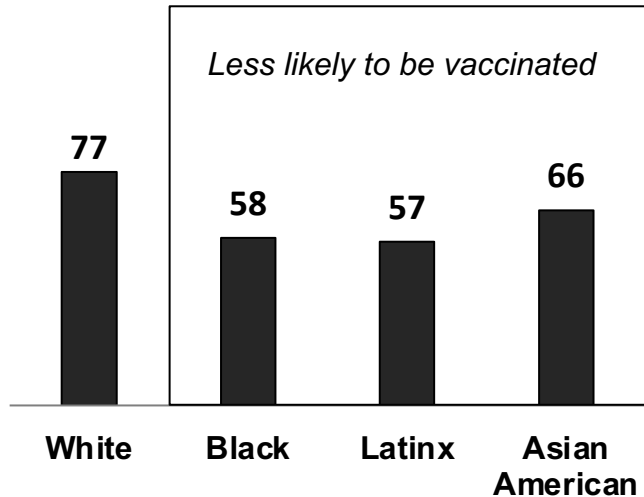
# RACIAL AND ETHNIC DISPARITIES IN VACCINE ACCESS

Among the 42% of Americans who are eligible (as of March 7, 2021), and want to get vaccinated...

I am eligible and want a vaccine,  
and I have been vaccinated

Among Americans  
who are eligible and  
want a vaccine

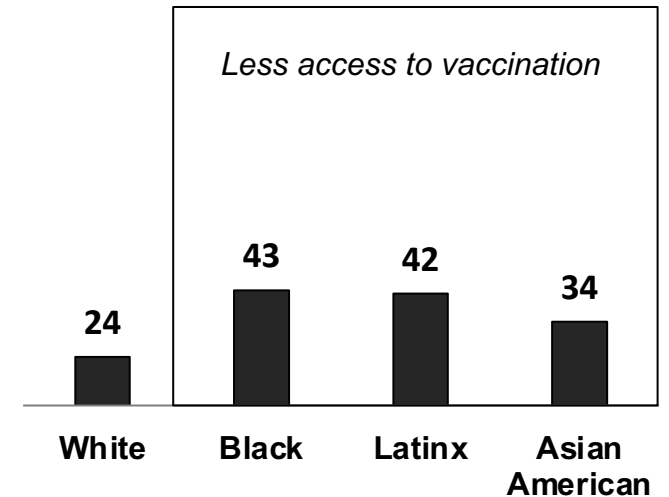
71%



I am eligible and want a vaccine,  
but have not been able to get an  
appointment or get to a vaccination site

Among Americans  
who are eligible and  
want a vaccine

29%



# PARTISAN AND DEMOGRAPHIC DISPARITIES IN VACCINE CONFIDENCE

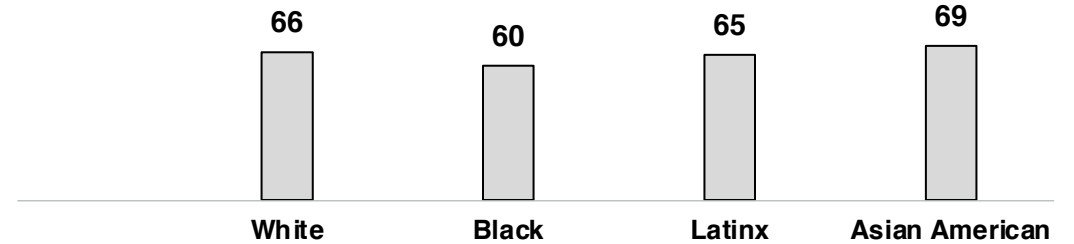
Percent of Americans who agree

The COVID-19 vaccines currently available are safe and effective for people like me

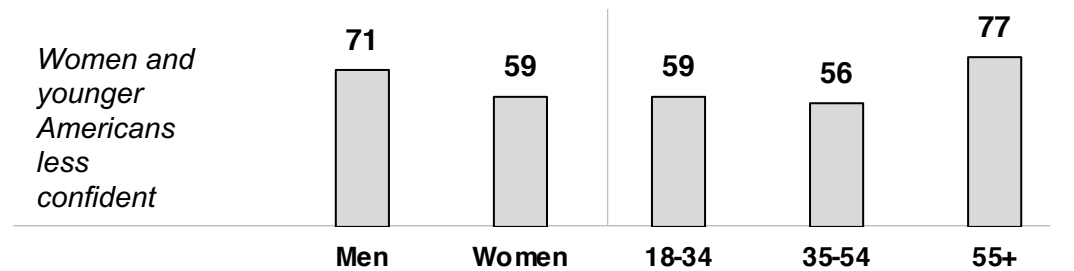
# 65%

U.S. general population

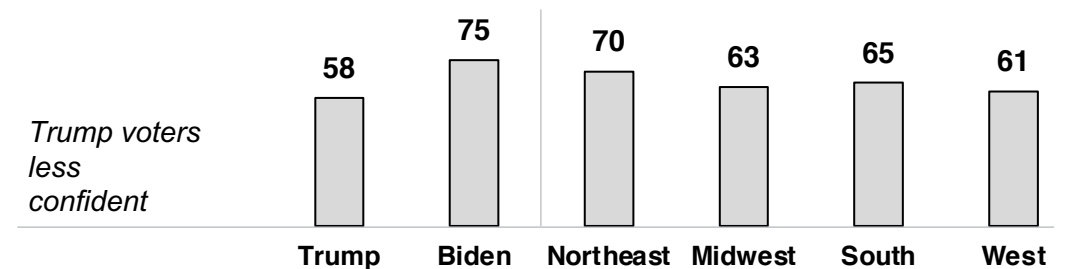
## Communities



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## Voted for.. | Region



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# A CRITICAL ROLE FOR BUSINESS AND EMPLOYERS

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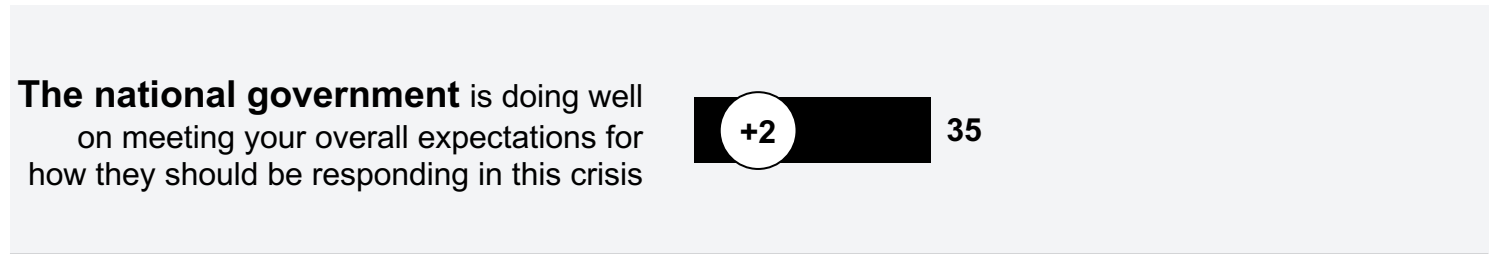
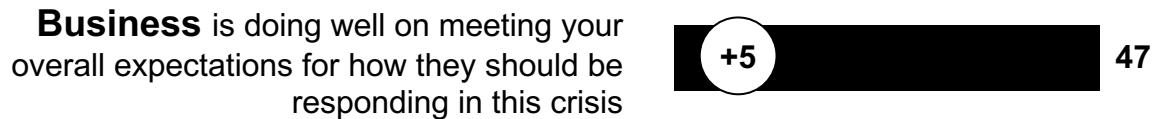
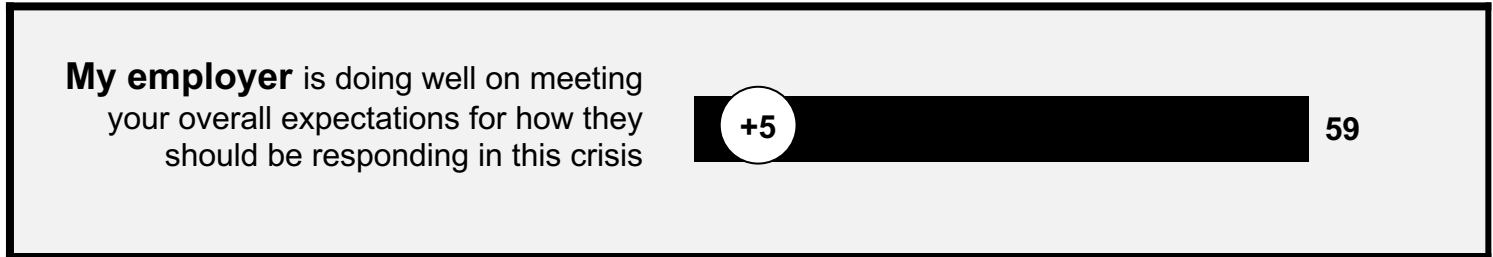
# EMPLOYERS MOST TRUSTED ON PANDEMIC RESPONSE

Percent of Americans who say each are doing well on meeting overall expectations

## U.S. general population



Change, May 2020 to March 2021



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# BIPARTISAN APPROVAL OF EMPLOYER PANDEMIC RESPONSE

Percent of Americans who say each are doing well on meeting overall expectations

|  | U.S. general population | Trump voters | Biden voters |
|--|-------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| <b>My employer</b> is doing well on meeting your overall expectations for how they should be responding in this crisis             | 59                      | 58           | 59           |
| <b>Business</b> is doing well on meeting your overall expectations for how they should be responding in this crisis                | 47                      | 48           | 44           |
| <b>The national government</b> is doing well on meeting your overall expectations for how they should be responding in this crisis | 35                      | 33           | 45           |

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# EMPLOYEES WANT REGULAR, TRUSTWORTHY PANDEMIC INFORMATION

Percent of Americans who agree

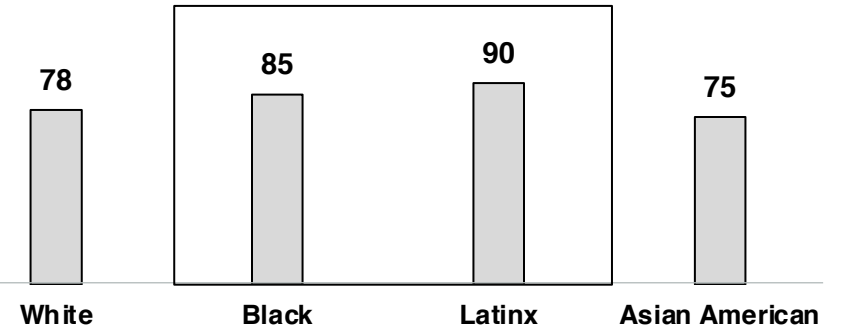
I want my employer to provide information related to the pandemic and the COVID-19 vaccines **weekly or more**

# 81%

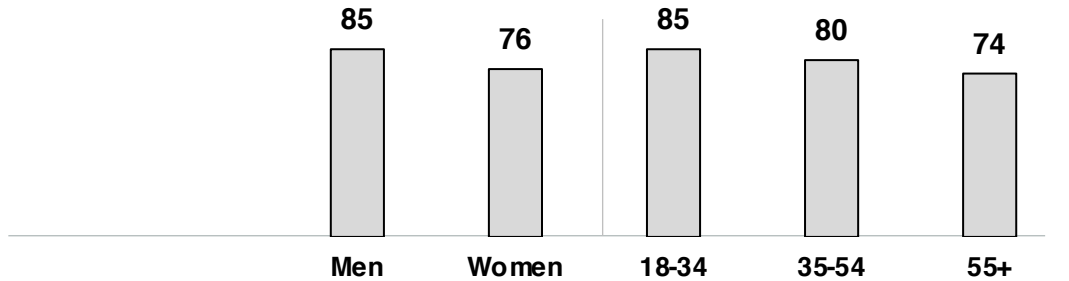
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## Communities

*Black and Latinx most likely to want employer updates*

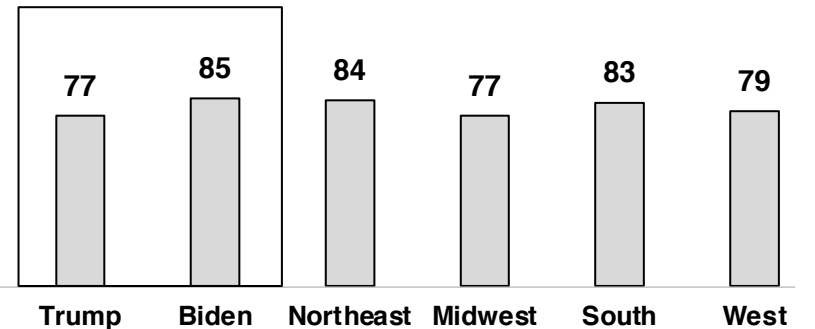


## Gender | Age



## Voted for.. | Region

*Both Trump and Biden voters looking for pandemic information from their employer*

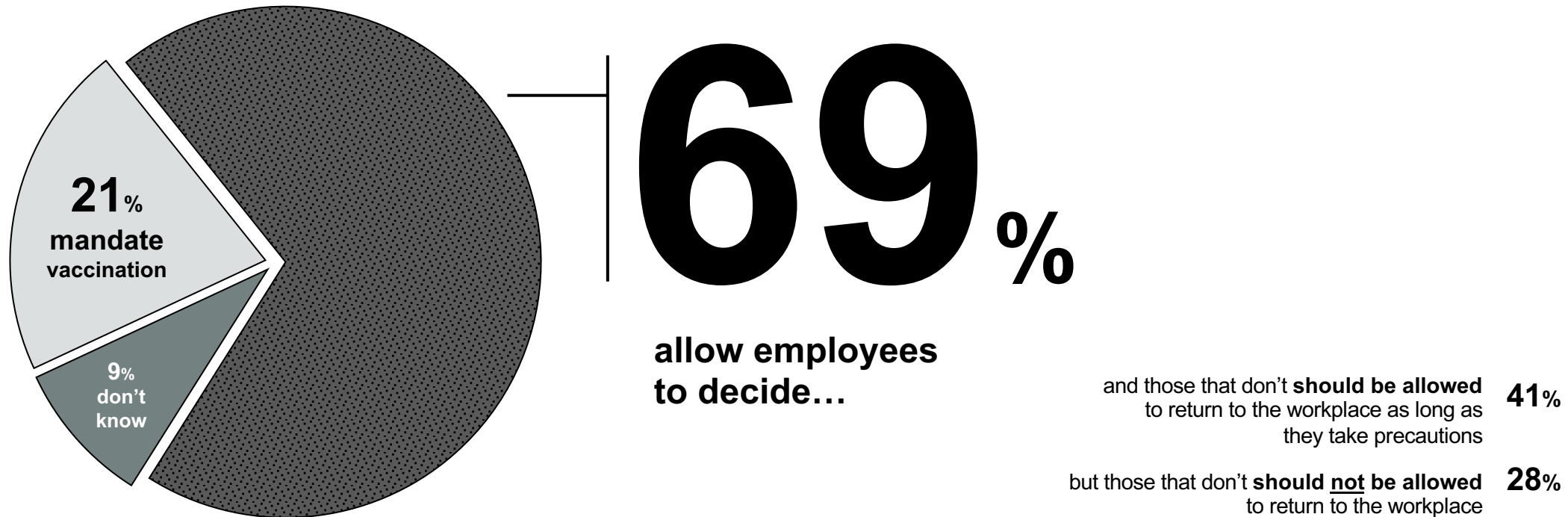




# AMERICAN EMPLOYERS SHOULD AVOID IMPOSING A VACCINE MANDATE

Which best describes your beliefs about employees getting vaccinated?

*In regards to the vaccine, employers should...*



# EMPLOYERS SHOULD AVOID IMPOSING A RETURN TO WORKPLACE MANDATE

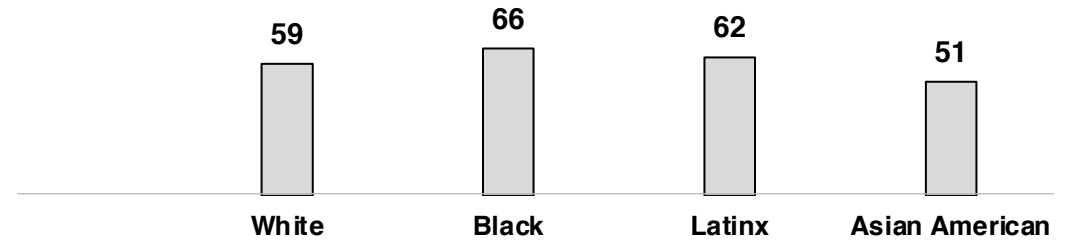
Percent of Americans who agree

**Employers should not force employees to return to the workplace** if they want to work from home because they fear catching COVID-19

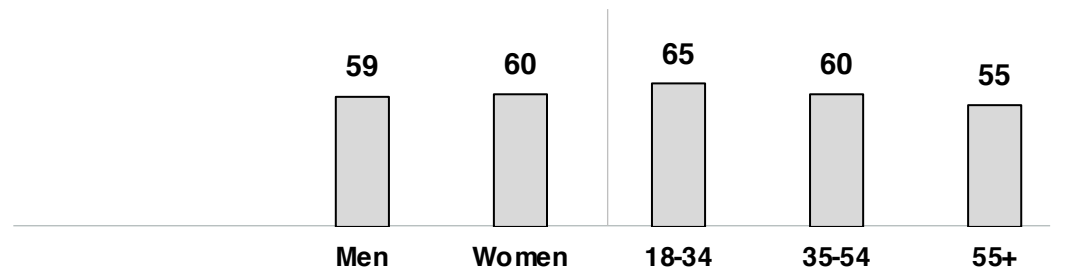
# 60%

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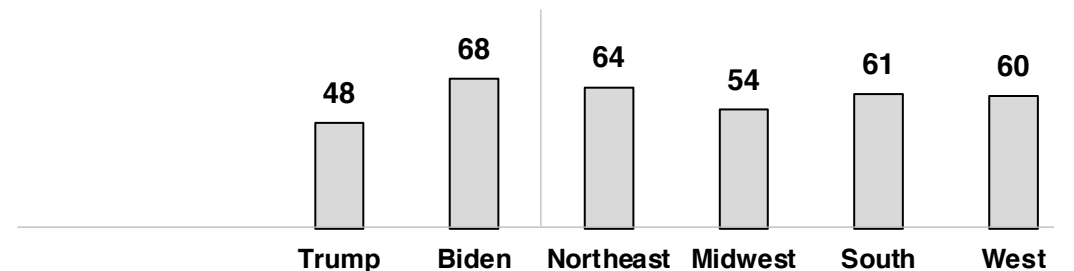
## Communities



## Gender | Age



## Voted for.. | Region



# RESTORING TRUST ESSENTIAL TO THE POST-PANDEMIC RECOVERY PLAN

**1**

**Recognize that Americans continue to fear for their safety and are not yet ready to return to normal**

**2**

**Embrace bi-partisan trust of my employer to build confidence in the vaccine across communities**

**3**

**Communicate trustworthy information weekly or more often**

**4**

**Give employees a voice in re-imagining the workplace**

**5**

**Partner with government and other institutions to provide equitable and effective solutions**

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# APPENDIX: DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

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Since May 2020,

# GOVERNMENT FAILING TO ADDRESS CRISIS OR PLAN FOR THE FUTURE

Percent of Americans who say the national government is doing well on each



Change, May 2020 to March 2021

U.S. general population

|  |     | White | Black | LatinX | Asian American | Men | Women | Ages 18-34 | Ages 35-54 | Ages 55+ |    |
|--|-----|-------|-------|--------|----------------|-----|-------|------------|------------|----------|----|
| <b>Getting people vaccinated as quickly, safely and fairly as possible</b>             | n/a | 43    | 41    | 51     | 50             | 37  | 45    | 41         | 37         | 41       | 48 |
| <b>Being a reliable source of useful, accurate information</b>                         | +5  | 39    | 37    | 47     | 44             | 38  | 43    | 36         | 36         | 38       | 44 |
| <b>Preparing for the eventual recovery and figuring how to return things to normal</b> | -1  | 33    | 31    | 42     | 39             | 31  | 37    | 30         | 29         | 32       | 38 |
| <b>Taking care of people who are suffering pandemic-related financial hardships</b>    | -2  | 32    | 29    | 41     | 41             | 36  | 36    | 30         | 30         | 33       | 34 |

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Since May 2020,

# IMPROVED MARKS FOR BUSINESS PANDEMIC RESPONSE

Percent of Americans who say business in general is doing well on each of the following



Change, May 2020 to March 2021

U.S. general population

|   |     | White | Black | LatinX | Asian American | Men | Women | Ages 18-34 | Ages 35-54 | Ages 55+ |    |
|---|-----|-------|-------|--------|----------------|-----|-------|------------|------------|----------|----|
| <b>Implementing safety measures</b> to protect both workers and customers   | +9  | 55    | 56    | 50     | 55             | 52  | 58    | 52         | 50         | 53       | 60 |
| <b>Preparing for the eventual recovery</b> and figuring how to return things to normal  | +5  | 44    | 45    | 43     | 49             | 41  | 48    | 41         | 43         | 42       | 47 |
| <b>Being a reliable source of useful and accurate information</b>   | +3  | 40    | 40    | 39     | 49             | 32  | 43    | 38         | 42         | 41       | 39 |
| <b>Making sure workers are fairly compensated</b> for the extra risks and hardships they are facing in their jobs during a pandemic | n/a | 35    | 34    | 40     | 41             | 31  | 40    | 31         | 37         | 37       | 33 |

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# MAJORITY APPROVE OF EMPLOYER PANDEMIC RESPONSE

Percent of Americans who say their employer is doing well on each of the following



Change, May 2020 to March 2021

U.S. general population

|  |     | White | Black | LatinX | Asian American | Men | Women | Ages 18-34 | Ages 35-54 | Ages 55+ |    |
|--|-----|-------|-------|--------|----------------|-----|-------|------------|------------|----------|----|
| <b>Taking care of the safety of their workers, including making sure that essential employees have access to personal protective equipment</b> | +6  | 61    | 64    | 54     | 55             | 63  | 58    | 65         | 55         | 61       | 74 |
| <b>Not pressuring people to return to the workplace before they feel safe and ready</b>  | n/a | 59    | 60    | 52     | 57             | 71  | 58    | 61         | 55         | 57       | 73 |
| <b>Preparing for the eventual recovery and figuring how to return things to normal</b>   | n/a | 59    | 61    | 54     | 55             | 63  | 57    | 61         | 55         | 56       | 72 |
| <b>Being a reliable source of useful, accurate information</b>   | +6  | 58    | 58    | 56     | 63             | 54  | 58    | 59         | 54         | 56       | 70 |

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# EMPLOYERS MOST TRUSTED ON PANDEMIC RESPONSE

Percent of Americans who say each are doing well on meeting overall expectations



Change, May 2020 to March 2021

U.S. general population

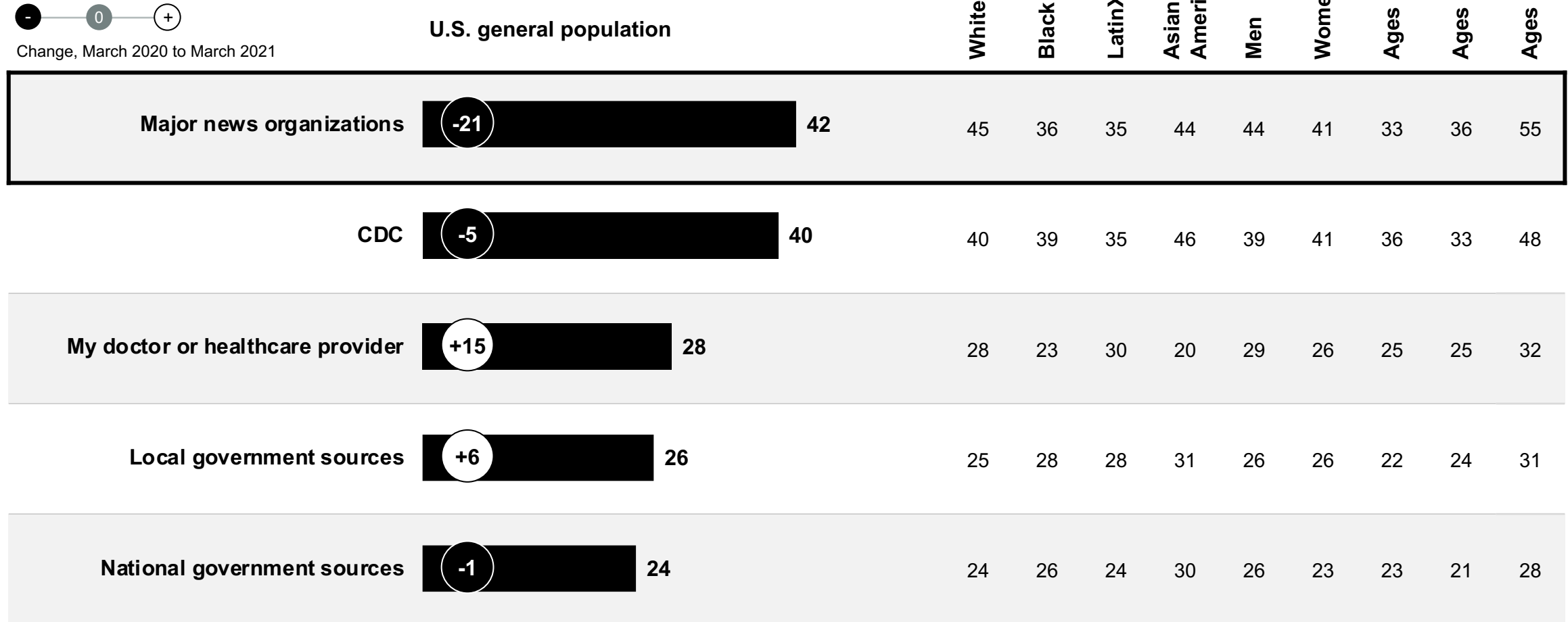
|  |          | White | Black | LatinX | Asian American | Men | Women | Ages 18-34 | Ages 35-54 | Ages 55+ |
|--|----------|-------|-------|--------|----------------|-----|-------|------------|------------|----------|
| <b>My employer</b> is doing well on meeting your overall expectations for how they should be responding in this crisis             | +5<br>59 | 63    | 55    | 54     | 52             | 55  | 63    | 51         | 58         | 76       |
| <b>Business</b> is doing well on meeting your overall expectations for how they should be responding in this crisis                | +5<br>47 | 48    | 44    | 56     | 34             | 51  | 44    | 45         | 46         | 51       |
| <b>The national government</b> is doing well on meeting your overall expectations for how they should be responding in this crisis | +2<br>35 | 33    | 45    | 39     | 36             | 38  | 33    | 32         | 33         | 40       |

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# AMERICANS RELYING LESS ON NEWS OUTLETS FOR PANDEMIC INFORMATION

Percent of Americans who get information about the virus from each source



# DOCTORS, SCIENTISTS MOST TRUSTED FOR VACCINE INFORMATION

Percent of Americans who trust each source to tell the truth about the COVID-19 vaccines

|  | U.S. | WHITE | BLACK | LATINX | ASIAN | MALE | FEMALE | 18-34 | 35-54 | 55+ | BIDEN | TRUMP | NORTHEAST | MIDWEST | SOUTH | WEST |
|--|------|-------|-------|--------|-------|------|--------|-------|-------|-----|-------|-------|-----------|---------|-------|------|
| My doctor or healthcare provider                   | 76   | 78    | 70    | 72     | 73    | 79   | 72     | 70    | 69    | 85  | 81    | 73    | 78        | 77      | 73    | 77   |
| Scientists   | 70   | 72    | 68    | 66     | 72    | 75   | 66     | 69    | 66    | 75  | 82    | 57    | 76        | 72      | 65    | 73   |
| Public health officials                            | 63   | 63    | 62    | 62     | 71    | 67   | 59     | 62    | 58    | 67  | 75    | 48    | 65        | 65      | 58    | 65   |
| Doctors and other health experts you follow online | 62   | 63    | 54    | 63     | 71    | 67   | 58     | 64    | 60    | 63  | 69    | 58    | 64        | 61      | 59    | 66   |
| A person like yourself who has taken the vaccine   | 55   | 57    | 51    | 58     | 52    | 58   | 53     | 54    | 53    | 59  | 61    | 54    | 57        | 56      | 54    | 55   |
| The CEO of the organization you work for           | 55   | 57    | 53    | 54     | 48    | 61   | 49     | 59    | 53    | 54  | 59    | 51    | 57        | 52      | 56    | 55   |
| Government officials                               | 43   | 43    | 45    | 47     | 44    | 49   | 38     | 47    | 43    | 41  | 55    | 31    | 48        | 42      | 43    | 42   |
| Journalists  | 43   | 42    | 46    | 47     | 45    | 47   | 38     | 46    | 42    | 41  | 56    | 26    | 47        | 43      | 40    | 44   |
| CEOs in general                                    | 34   | 32    | 34    | 41     | 36    | 41   | 27     | 43    | 34    | 26  | 37    | 33    | 34        | 31      | 34    | 35   |
| Celebrities  | 24   | 22    | 32    | 33     | 23    | 28   | 21     | 36    | 29    | 11  | 30    | 19    | 27        | 21      | 25    | 25   |

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# APPENDIX: SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

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# LESS THAN 1 IN 3 AMERICANS BELIEVE WE WILL BE BACK TO NORMAL THIS YEAR

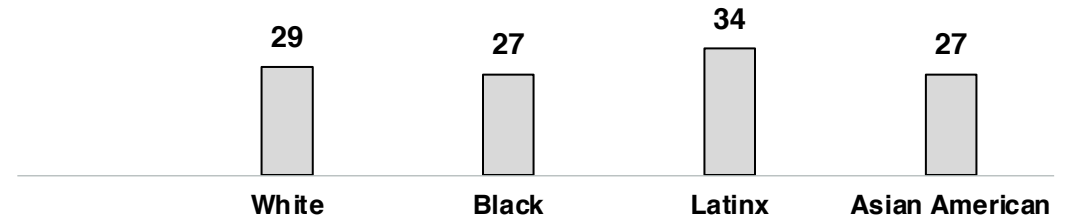
Percent of Americans who agree

Everything will be back to normal by the end of 2021

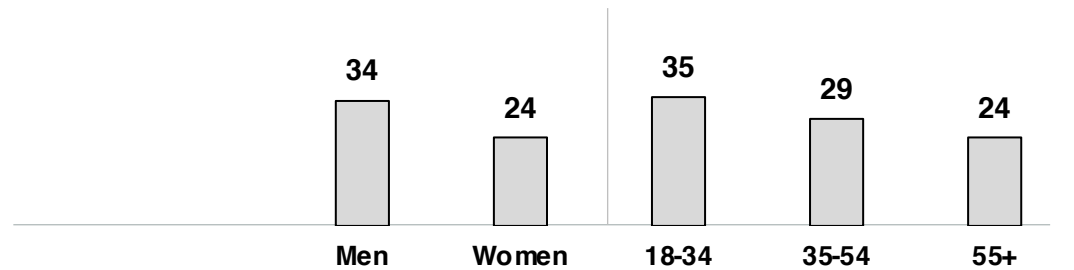
# 29%

U.S. general population

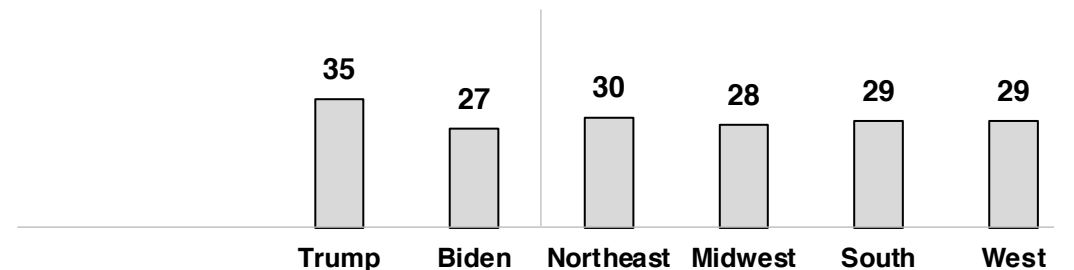
## Communities



## Gender | Age



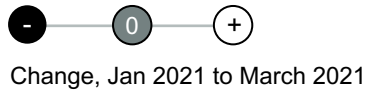
## Voted for.. | Region



Since Jan 2021,

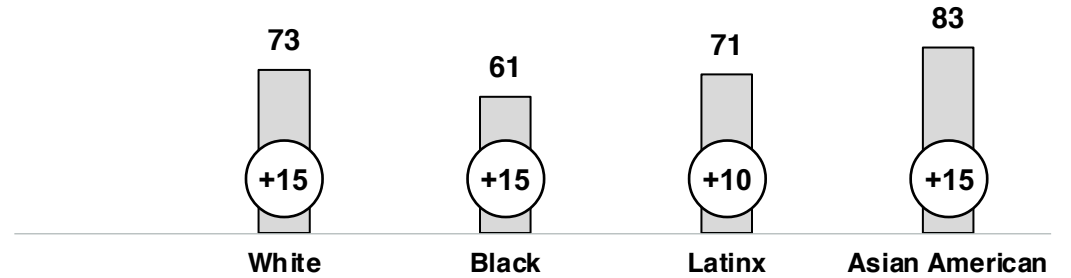
# VACCINE WILLINGNESS INCREASES

Percent of Americans who say they will take the COVID-19 vaccine within the next year

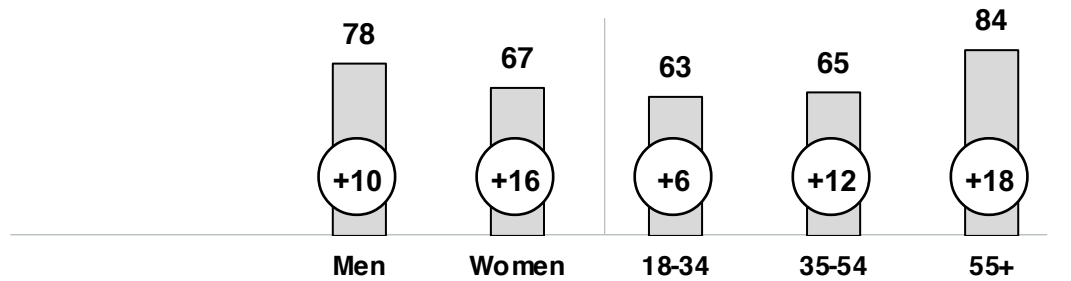


U.S. general population

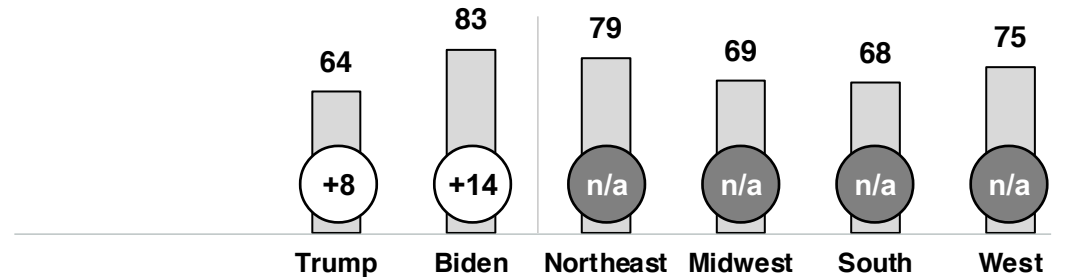
## Communities



## Gender | Age



## Voted for.. | Region



Since May 2020,

# CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR PANDEMIC-RELATED SOCIAL DISTANCING MEASURES

Which do you agree with more?



Change, May 2020 to March 2021

U.S. general population

32%

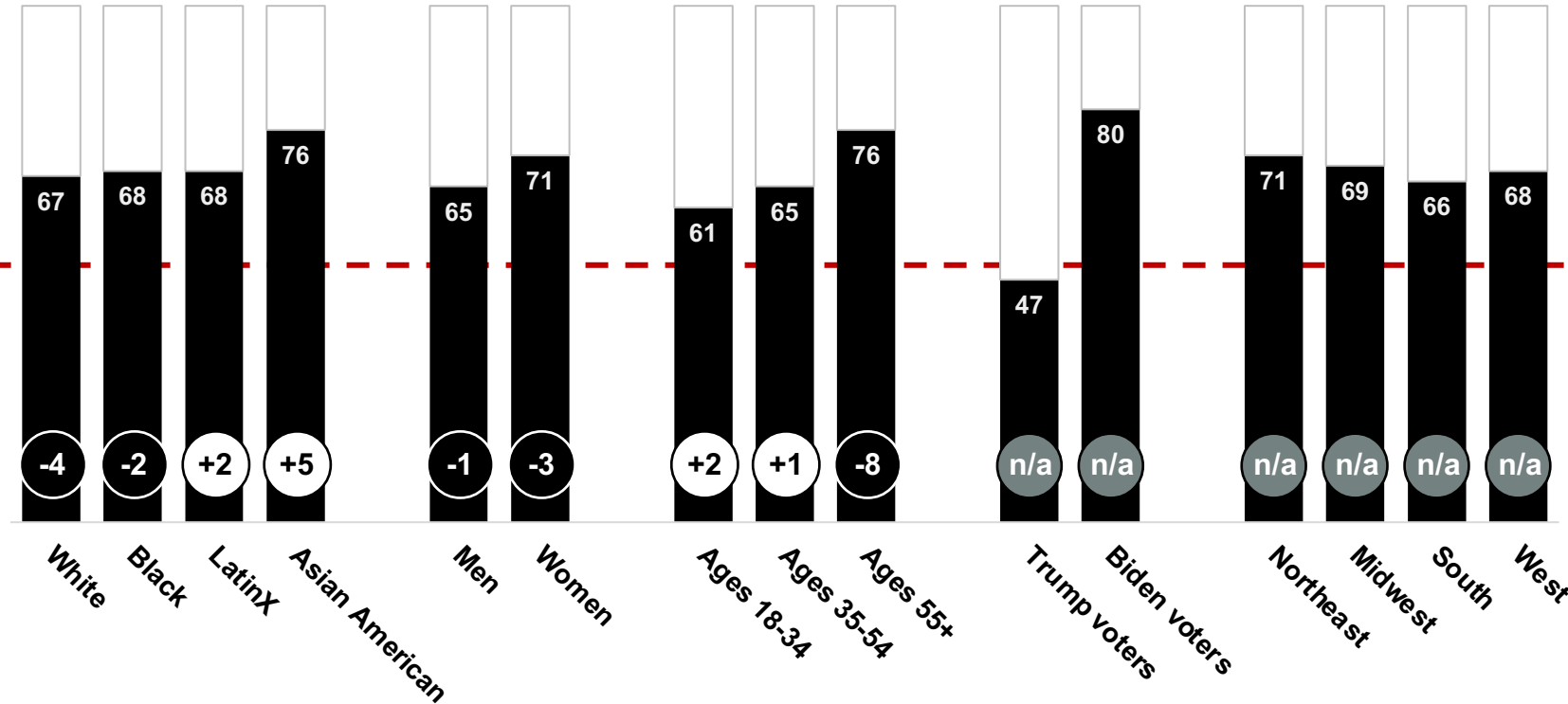
The government is **restricting** my freedom of movement and my ability to gather with others **more than it should be allowed to** in response to the pandemic

OR 50%

68%

-2 pts

Any **current pandemic-related restrictions** on my freedom of movement and ability to gather with others are **entirely reasonable and appropriate**



Since May 2020,

# NO CONSENSUS ON WHO SHOULD LEAD ON THE RETURN TO WORKPLACE DECISION

Percent of Americans who say each should lead in making return to work decision:



Change, May 2020 to March 2021

## U.S. general population

