A Survey of Car Owners in the United States
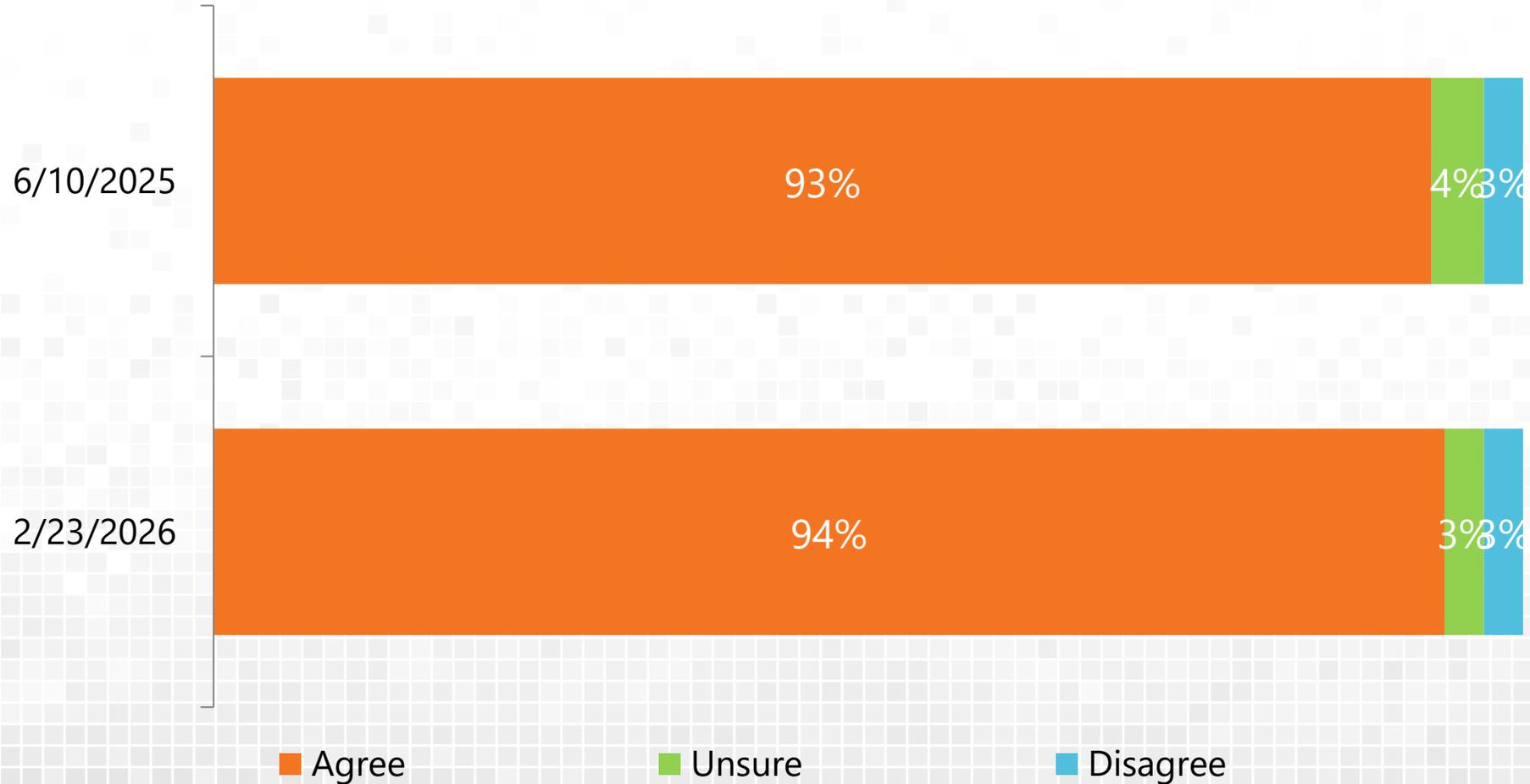
Field Dates: February 20-23, 2026

N=1000 car owners who are also registered voters

Key findings

➢ There continues to be near universal agreement about the premise statements for the SMART Act and the REPAIR Act.
  ➢ 94% of car owners agree it is important to them to be able to choose who repairs their car.
  ➢ 99% of car owners agree it is important to them to be able to choose where their car is repaired.

➢ After a brief description, support among car owners for the SMART ACT is at 79%.
  ➢ This includes strong support from demographic groups ranging from Trump voters (82%) to liberal Democrats (78%).

➢ Fully 85% of car owners support the REPAIR Act after hearing a brief description of the legislation.
  ➢ This includes strong support from Trump voters (85%) and Harris voters (86%).
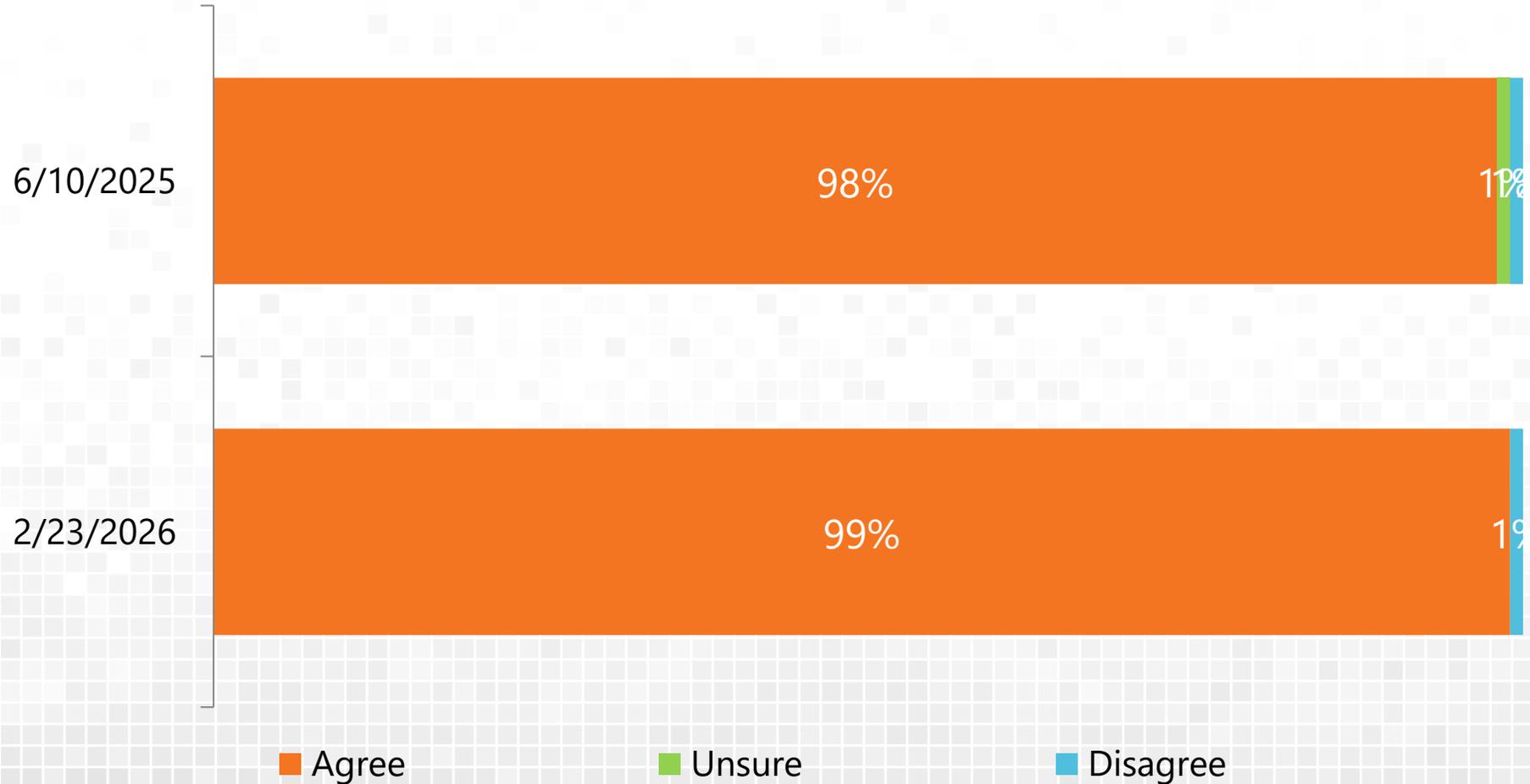
As you may already know, the SMART Act would amend design patent law to give consumers more choices and lower car repair costs, while maintaining appropriate intellectual property rights for automakers. Based on the information above, would you support or oppose this bill?
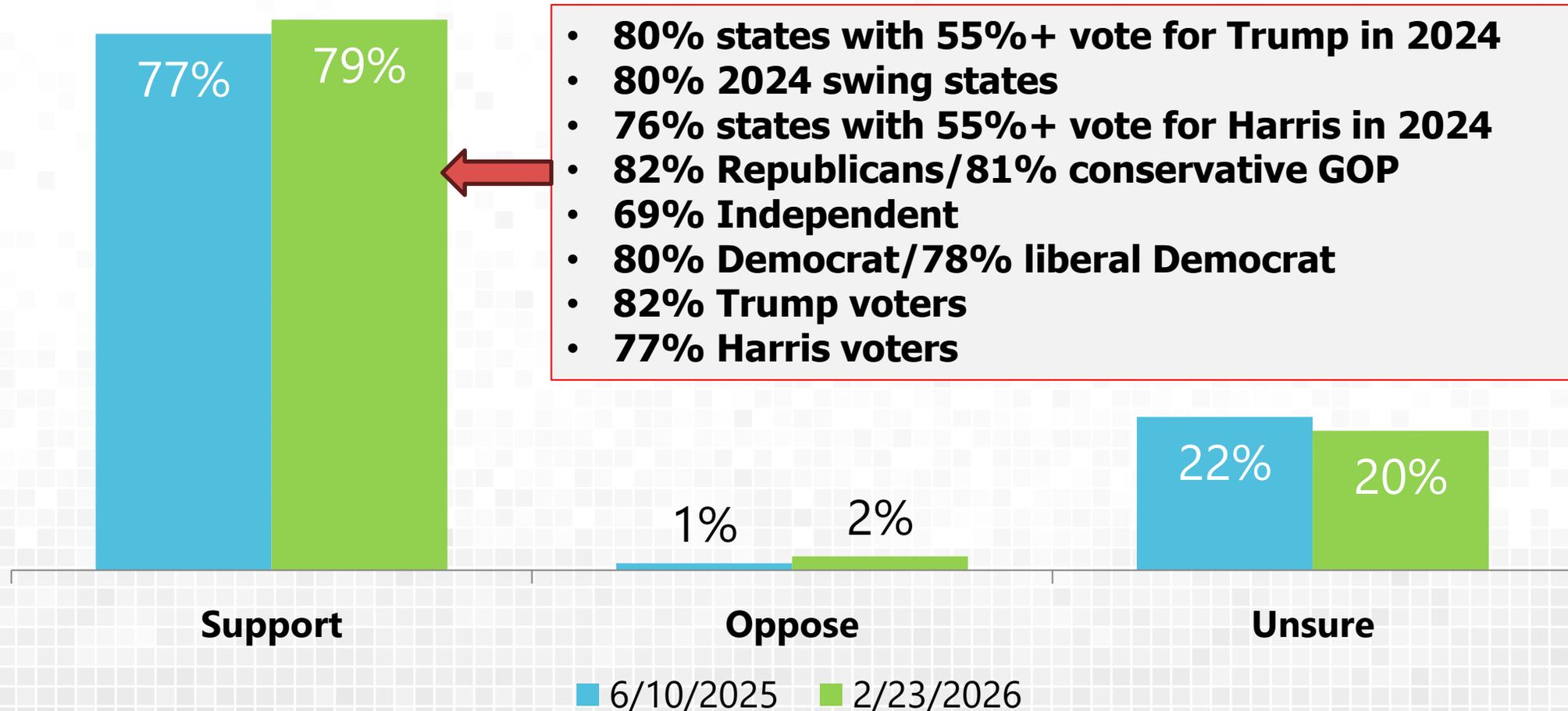
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- **80% 2024 swing states**
- **76% states with 55%+ vote for Harris in 2024**
- **82% Republicans/81% conservative GOP**
- **69% Independent**
- **80% Democrat/78% liberal Democrat**
- **82% Trump voters**
- **77% Harris voters**

77% | 79%
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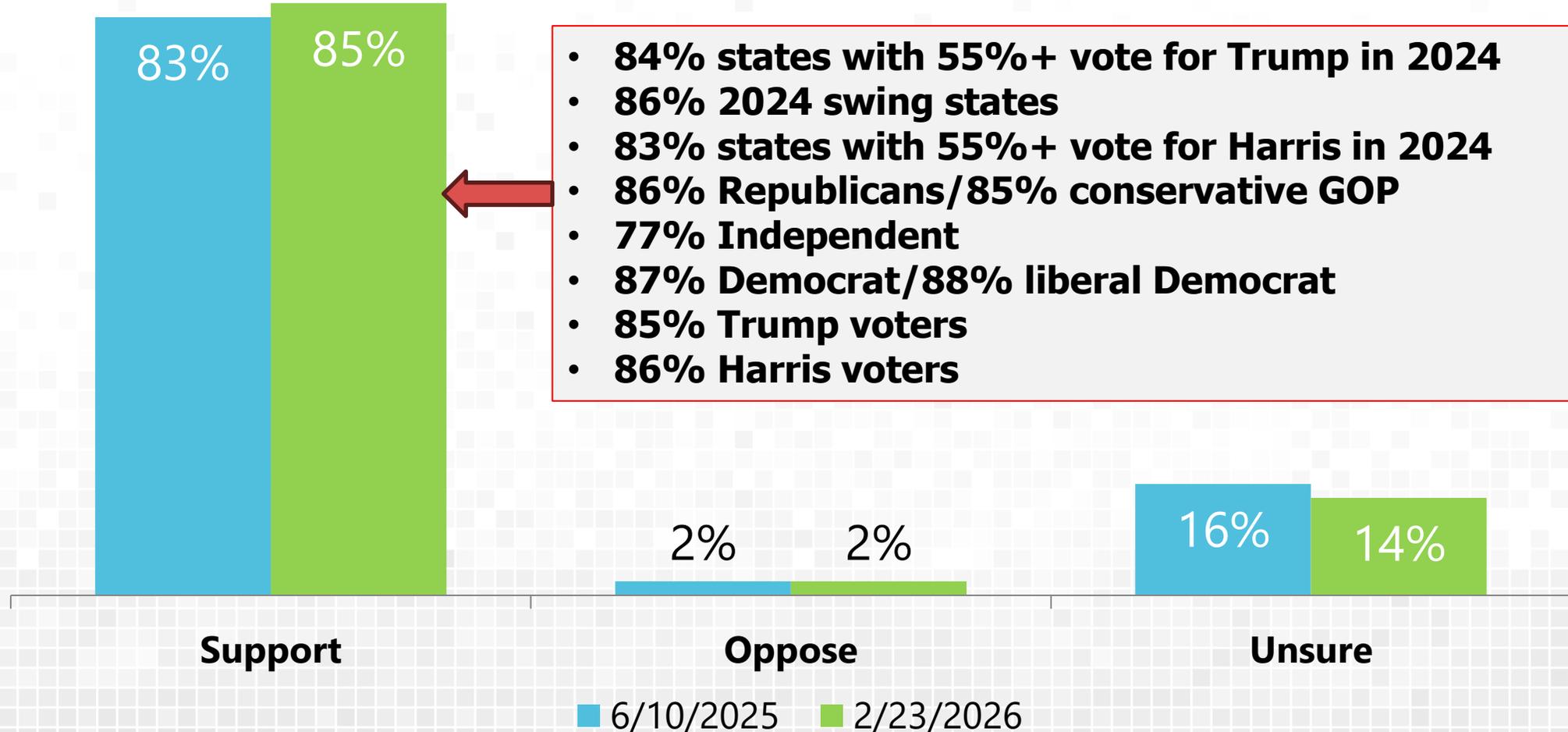**Support** | **Oppose** | **Unsure**

■ 6/10/2025 ■ 2/23/2026

THE TARRANCE GROUP

SMART Act with Key Demographic Groups

Subgroup	Support	Oppose	Unsure	N
TOTAL	**79%**	**2%**	**20%**	**1,000**
PREZ24 2024 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION BY STATE				
55%+ Trump states	80%	2%	19%	346
Competitive states	80%	1%	19%	383
55%+ Harris states	76%	2%	21%	271
GENDER RESPONDENT'S GENDER				
Male	83%	2%	15%	467
Female	75%	1%	23%	533
RAGEFL RESPONDENT'S AGE/C				
18-44	85%	1%	14%	398
45-64	80%	1%	19%	349
65 or over	69%	2%	29%	253
RREDUC RESPONDENT'S EDUCATION/C				
HS grad or less	77%	1%	22%	169
Some college	78%	4%	19%	221
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RPARTYID PARTY IDENTIFICATION/C				
Republican	82%	2%	16%	414
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RD11 2024 PRESIDENTIAL VOTE/C				
Trump voter	82%	2%	16%	453
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D4 HOW MANY VEHICLES YOU OWN				
1	78%	2%	20%	565
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- **86% Republicans/85% conservative GOP**
- **77% Independent**
- **87% Democrat/88% liberal Democrat**
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	Support	Oppose	Unsure
6/10/2025	83%	2%	16%
2/23/2026	85%	2%	14%

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REPAIR Act with Key Demographic Groups

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