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# National Public Radio

National Survey Results



# Direction of the Country

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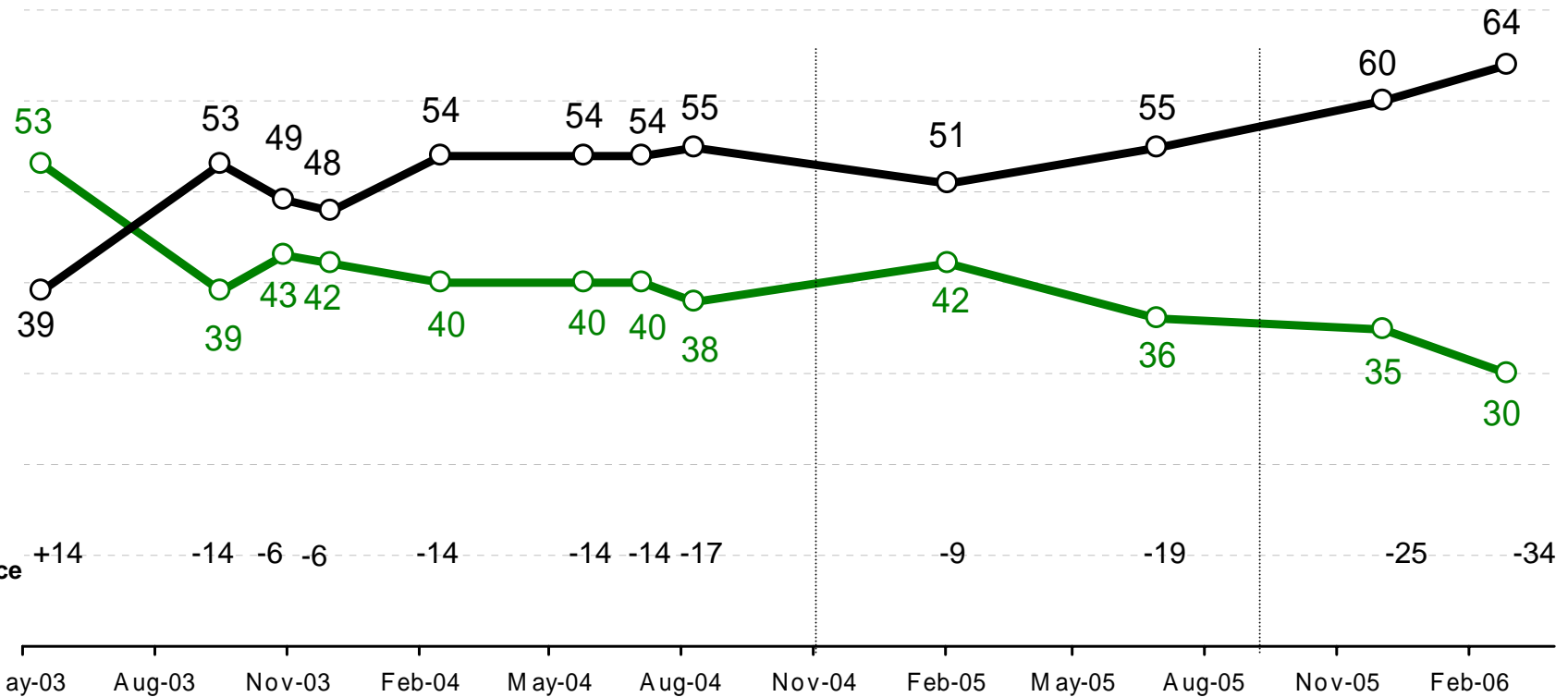
# Nearly two-thirds say country is off on wrong track

Generally speaking, do you think things in the country are going in the right direction, or do you feel things have gotten pretty seriously off on the wrong track?

Right direction Wrong direction

Election

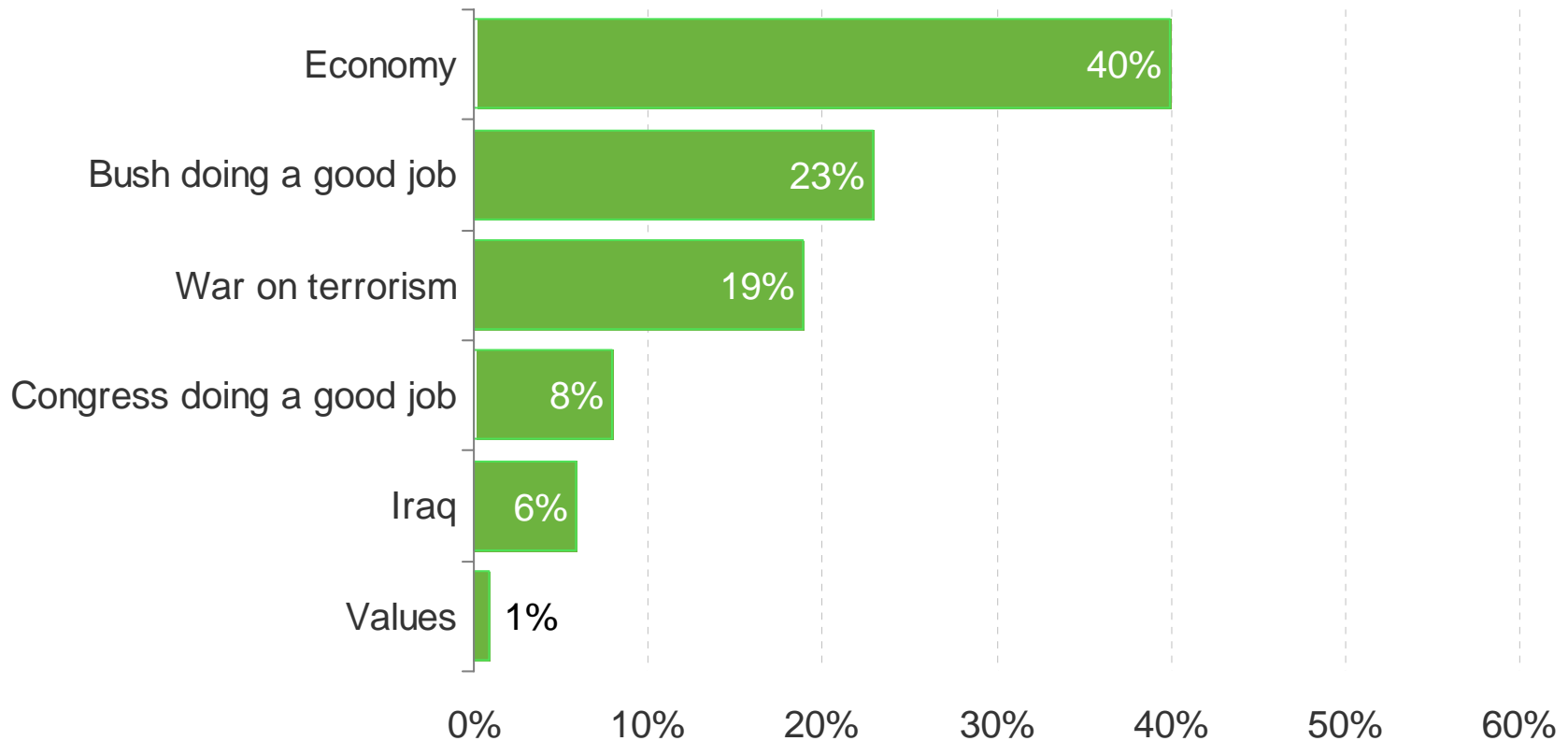
Katrina





# Why things are going in the right direction

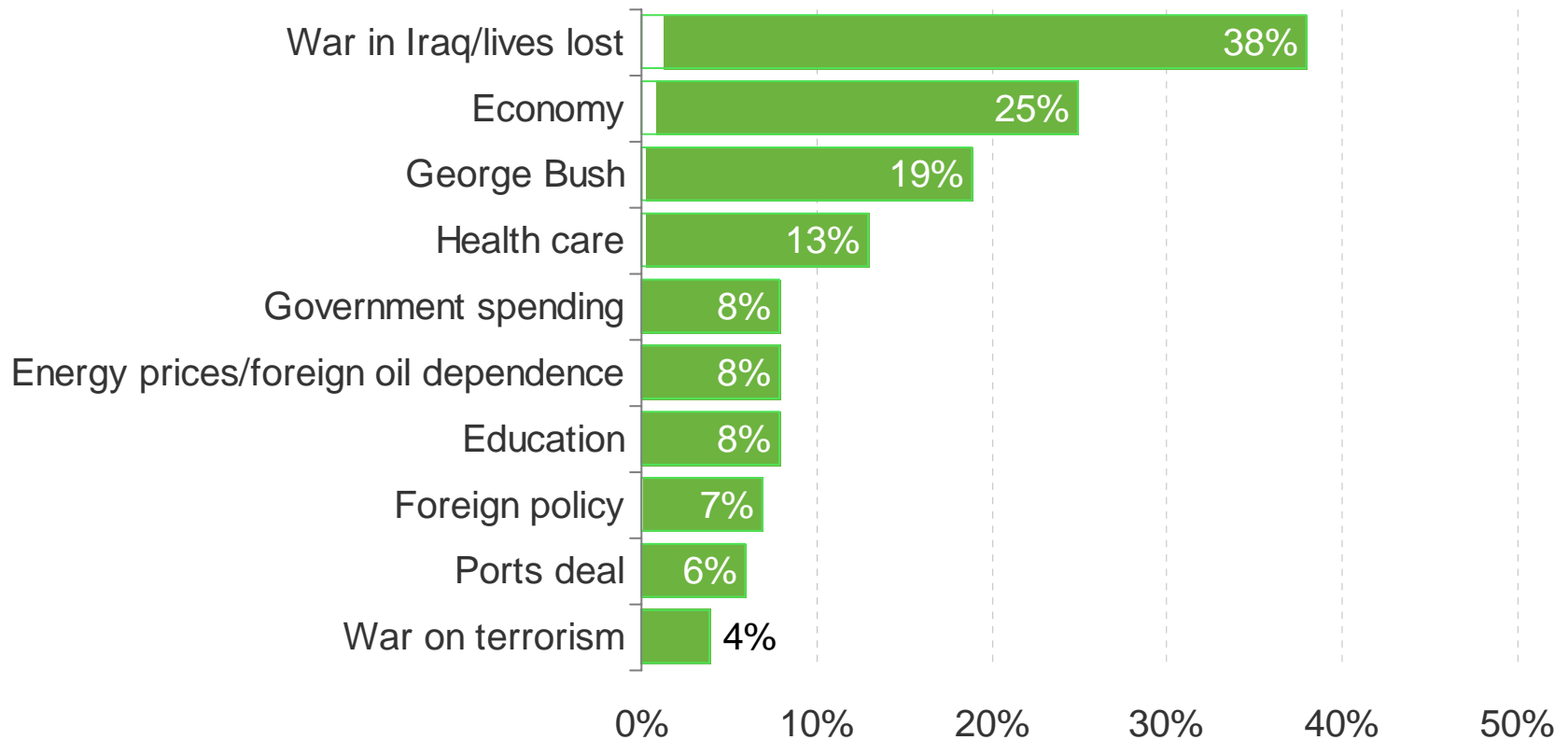
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# Why things are going in the wrong direction

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# President Bush

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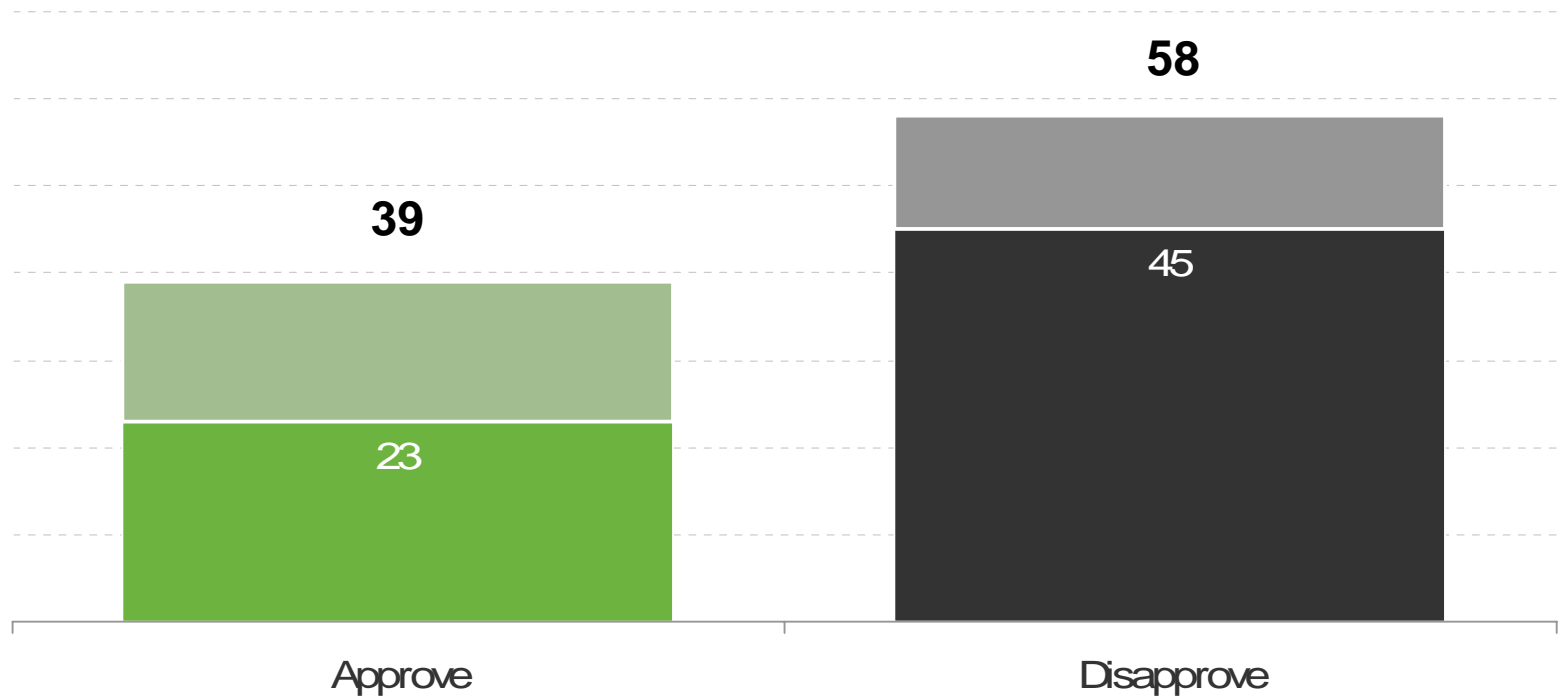




# Bush job approval

*Do you approve or disapprove of the way George Bush is handling his job as President?*

■ Strongly ■ Somewhat

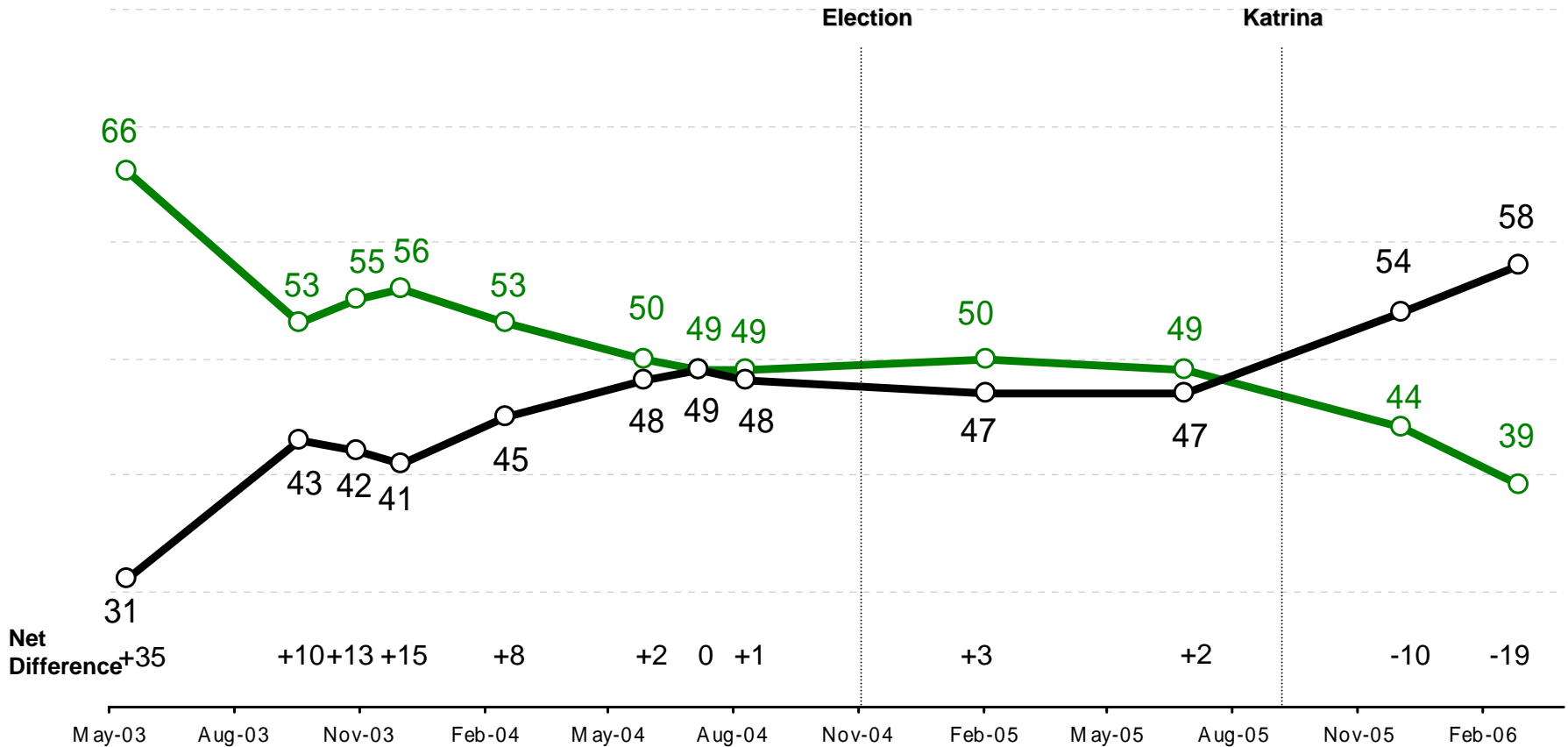




# Bush job approval has reached lowest point

Do you approve or disapprove of the way George Bush is handling his job as President?

—○— Approve      —○— Disapprove



# Congress

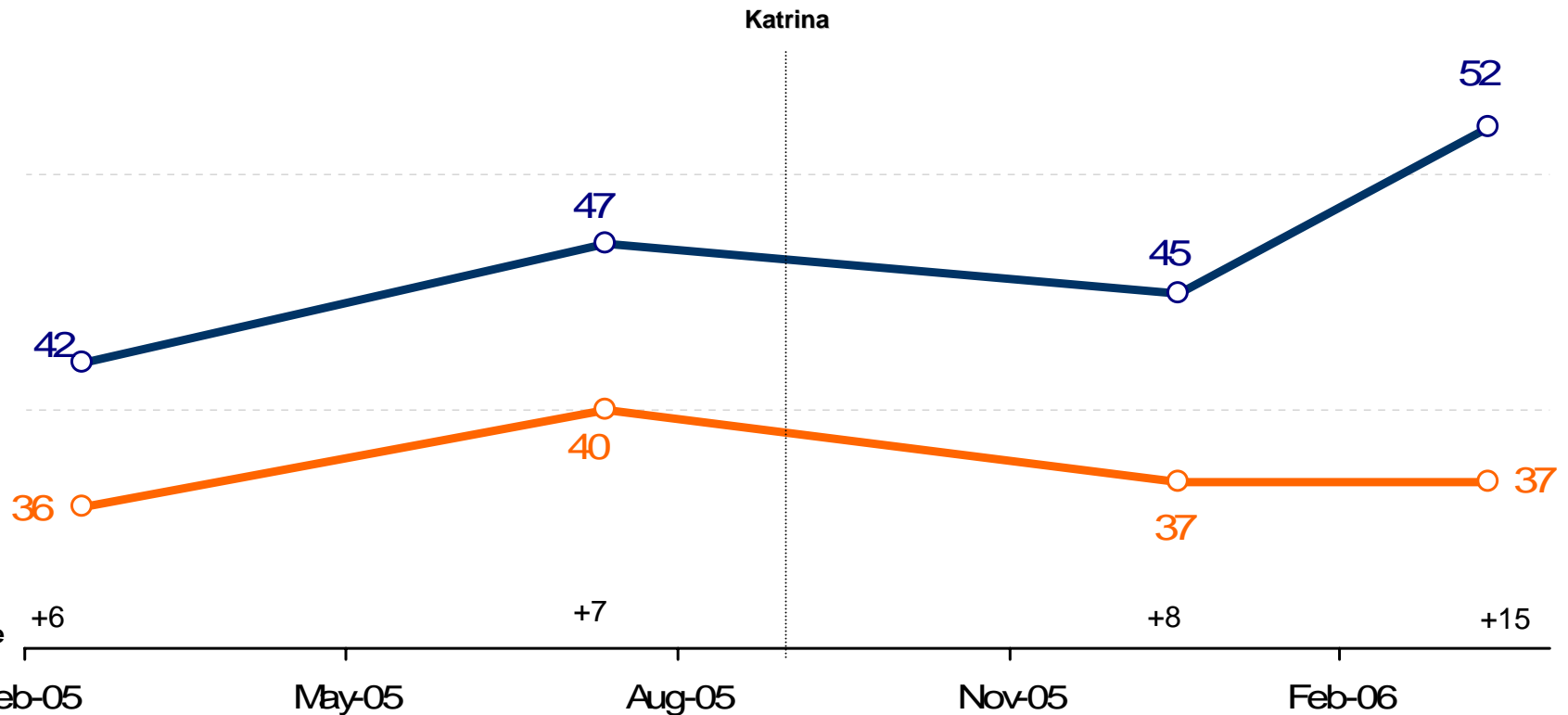
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# Generic Congressional vote

—○ Democratic Congressional Candidate  
—○ Republican Congressional Candidate

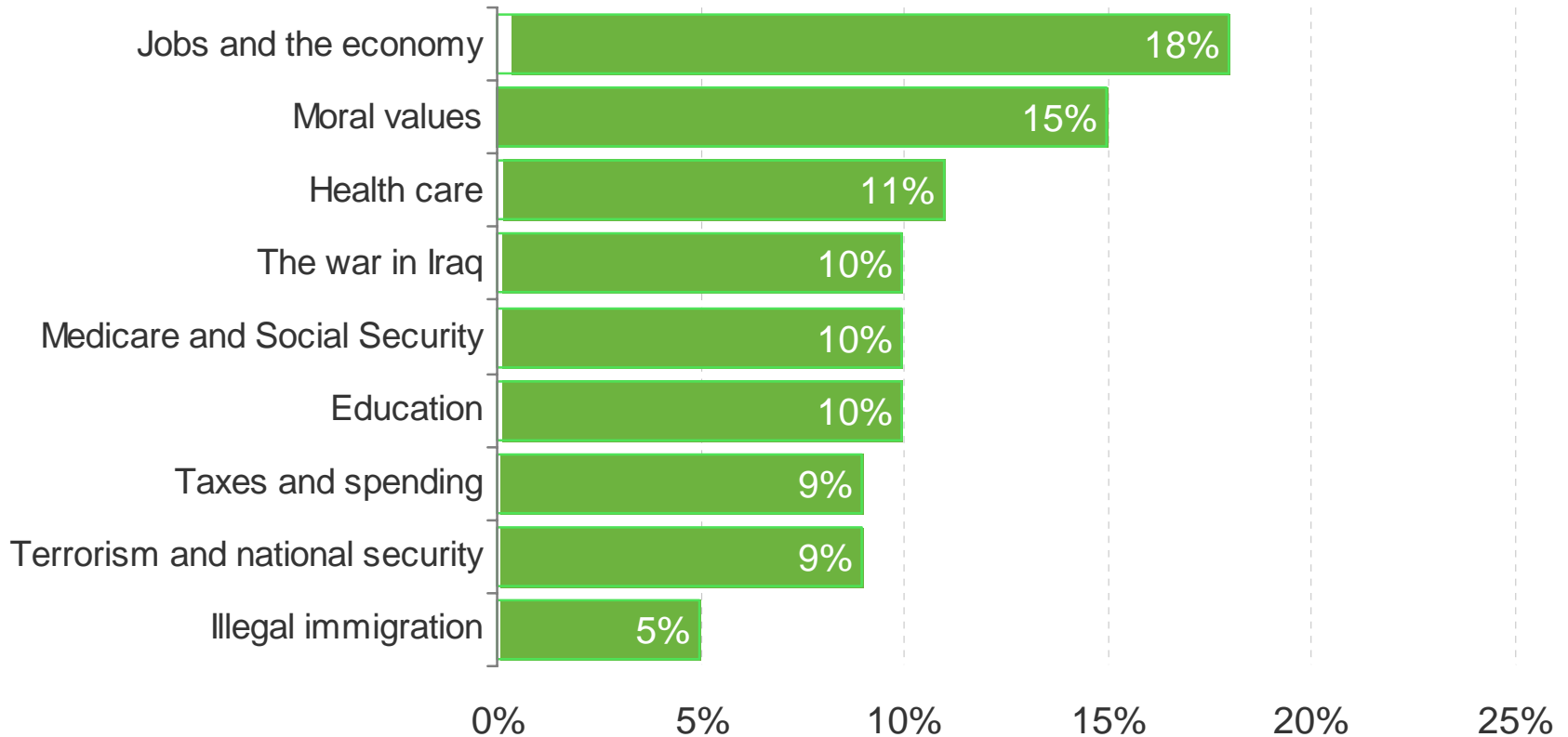


*I know it is far ahead, but thinking about this year's election, if the election for U.S. Congress were held today, would you be voting for the Democratic candidate or the Republican candidate in the district where you live?*



## Most important issues for Congressional vote

And which ONE of the following issues would be MOST important to you in deciding how to vote for a candidate for Congress?



# Global Issues and America

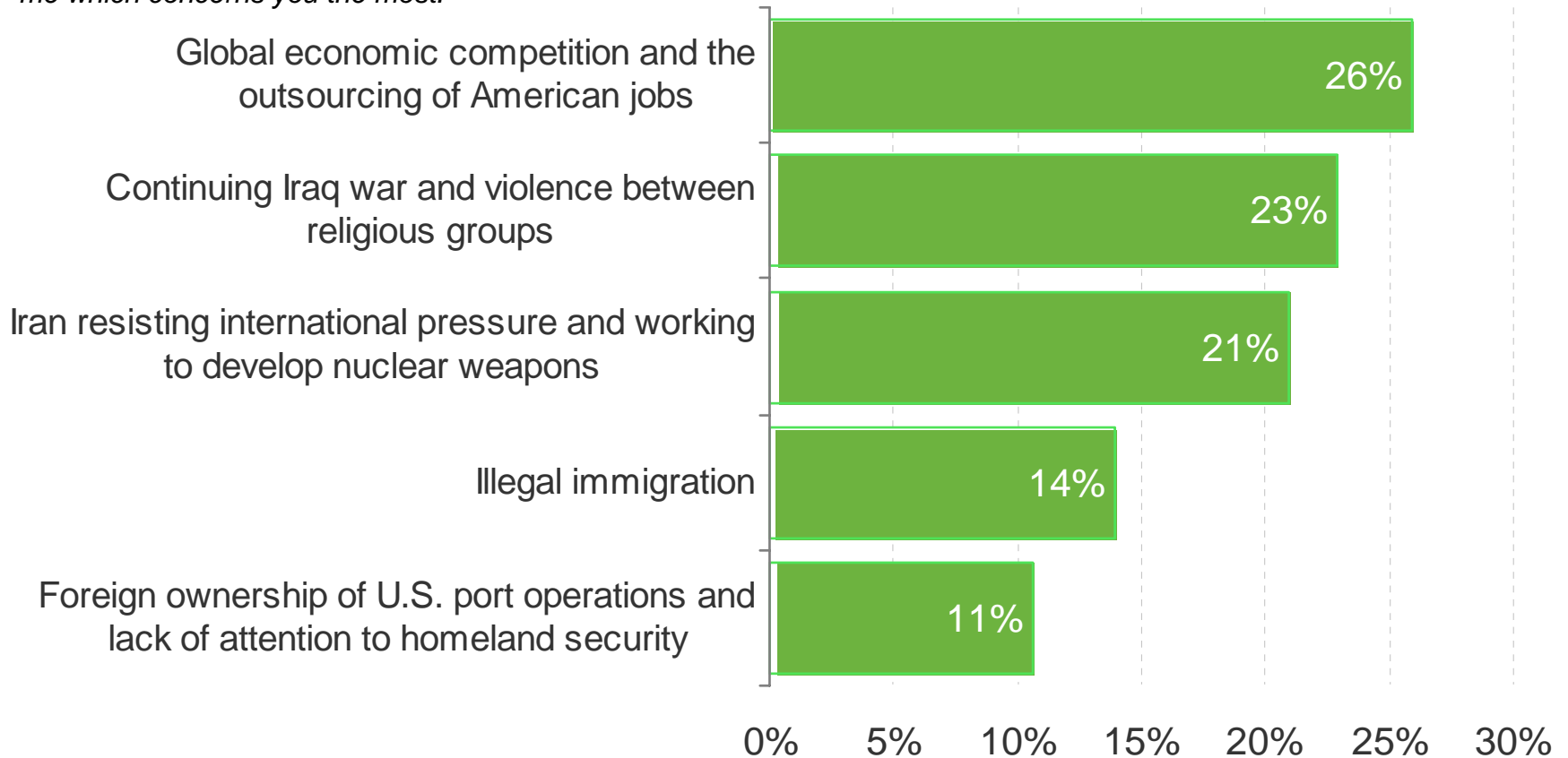
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## Global issues and America – Top concern

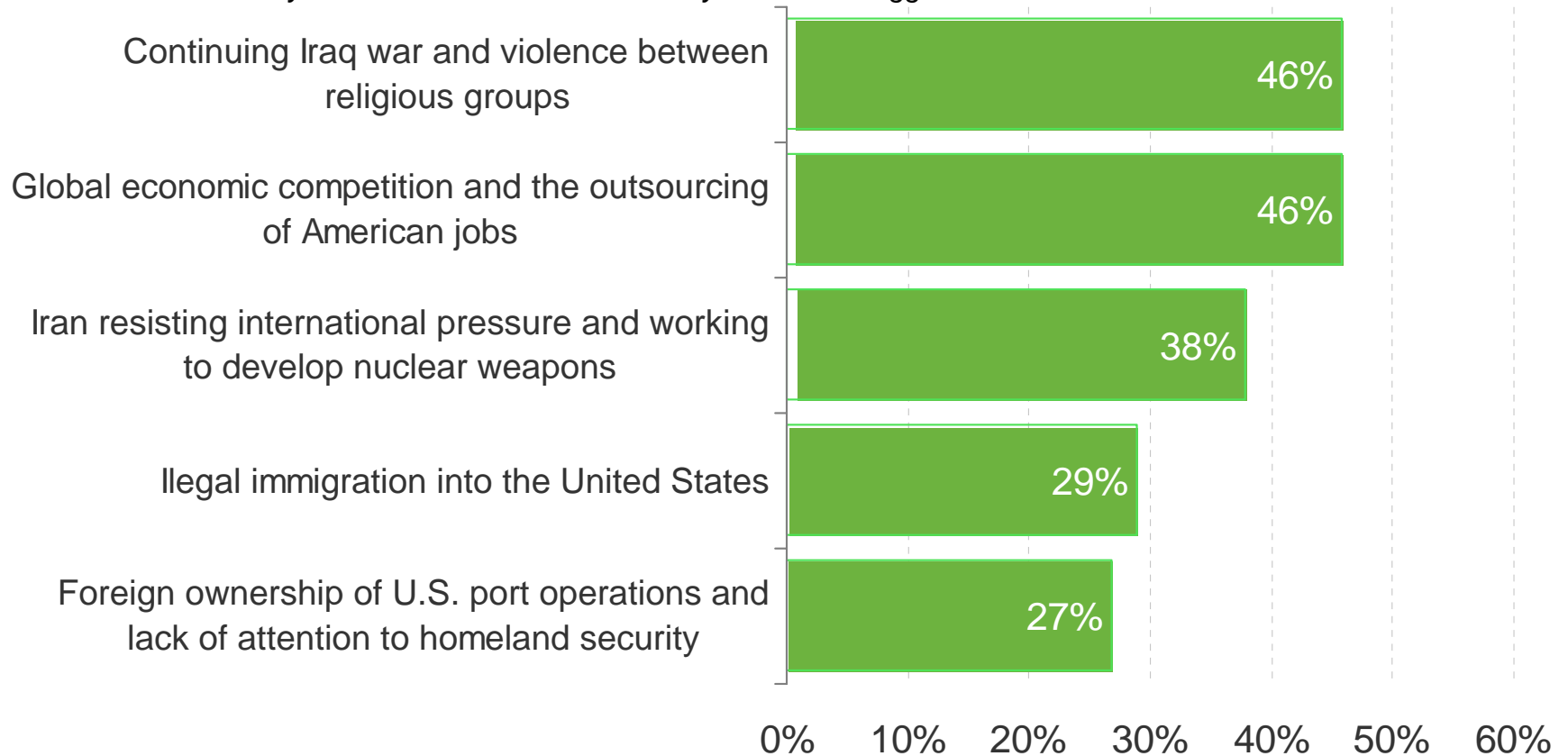
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## Global issues and America – Top two concerns

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## Global issues and America

### ■ Level of concern among voters

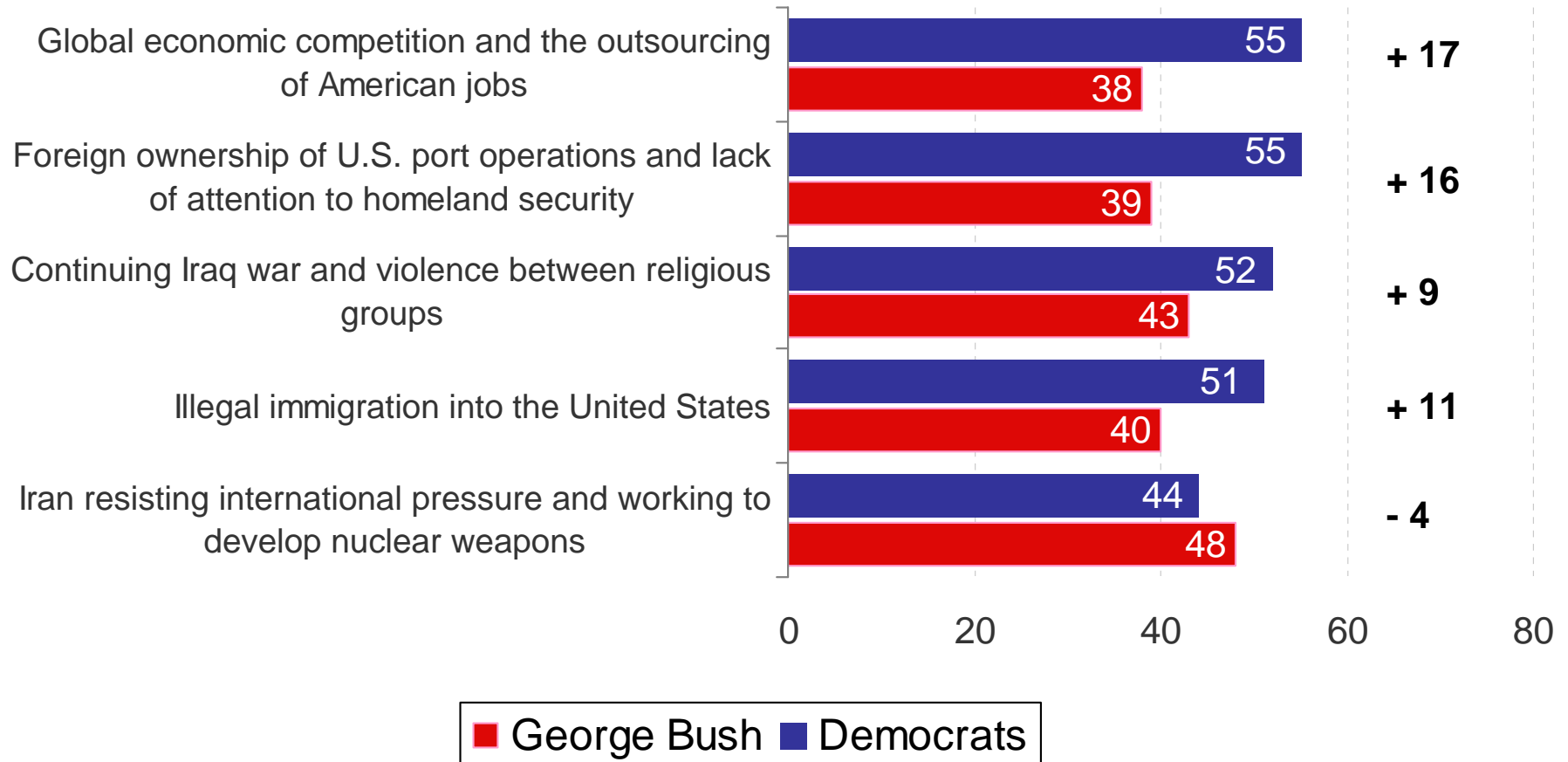
*Now, I would like you to tell me how concerned you are with each of these issues. After I read each issue, please tell me whether it makes you extremely concerned, very concerned, somewhat concerned, not very concerned or not concerned at all?*

	Extremely Concerned	Extremely/ Very Concerned
<b>Continuing Iraq war and violence between religious groups</b>	21	69
<b>Iran resisting international pressure and working to develop nuclear weapons</b>	21	67
<b>Global economic competition and the outsourcing of American jobs</b>	19	62
<b>Foreign ownership of U.S. port operations and lack of attention to homeland security</b>	18	59
<b>Illegal immigration into the United States</b>	16	50



## Global issues and America – Democrats vs. George Bush

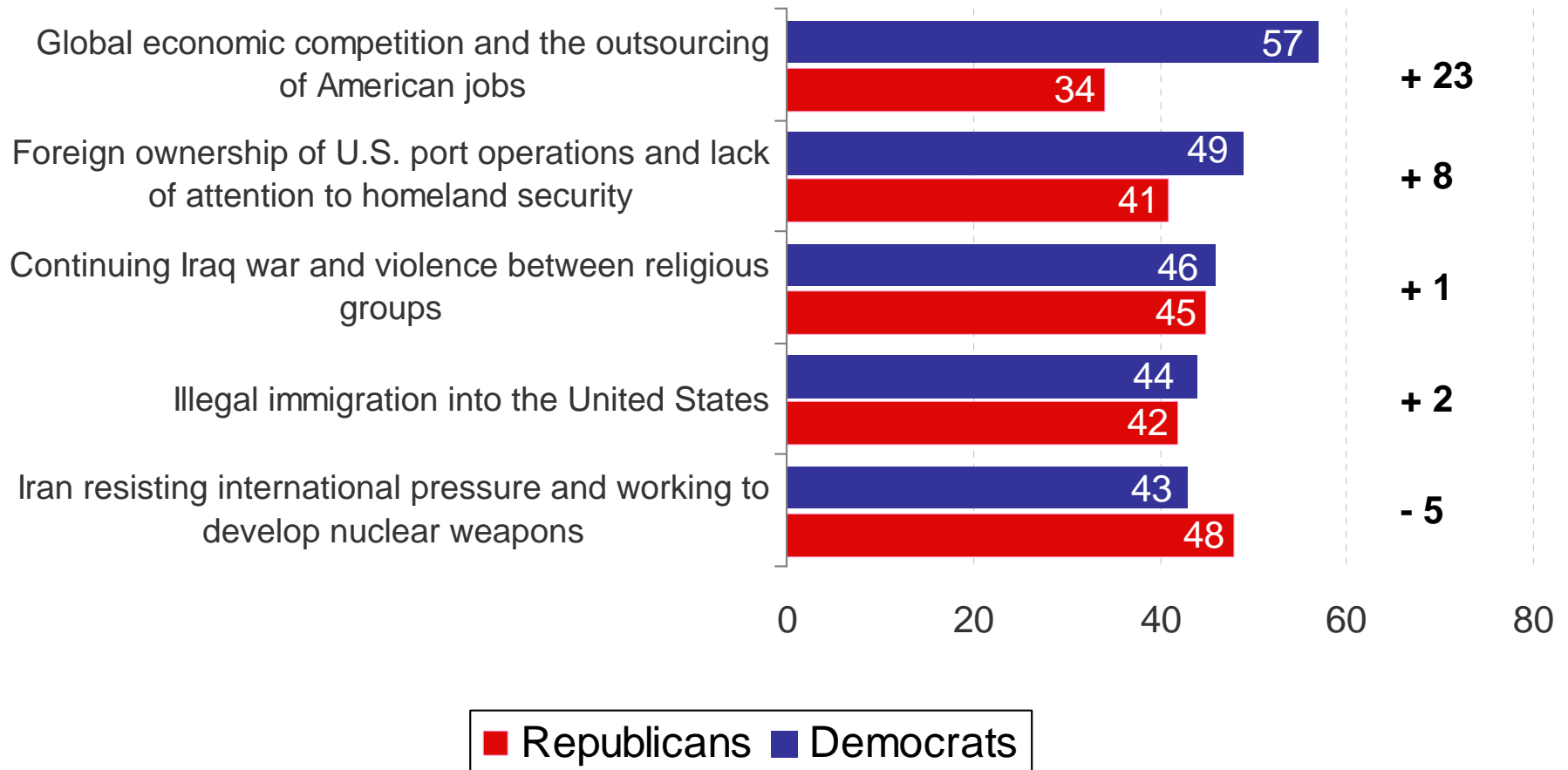
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# National Security

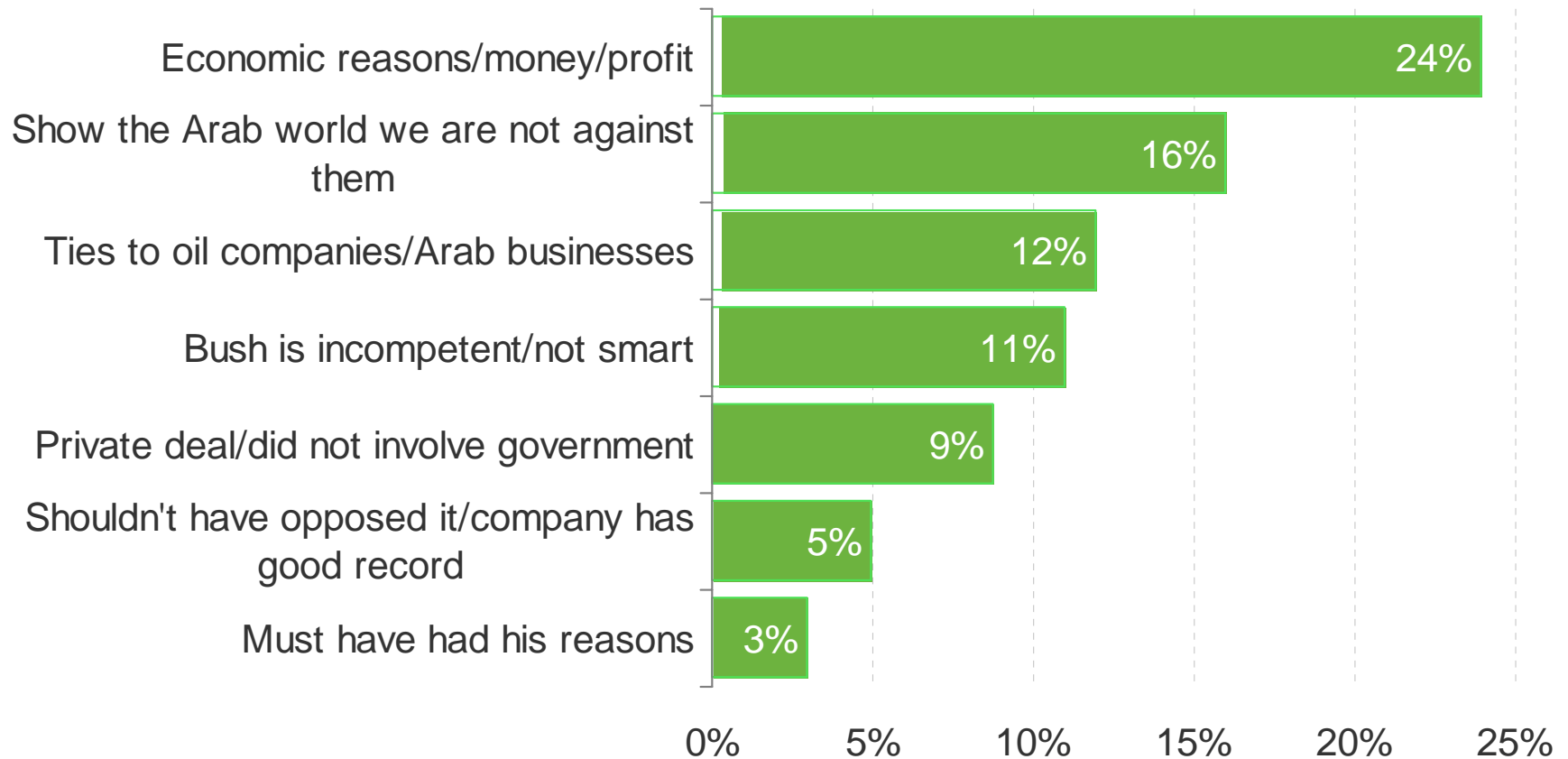
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## Reasons why Bush approved ports deal: Open end

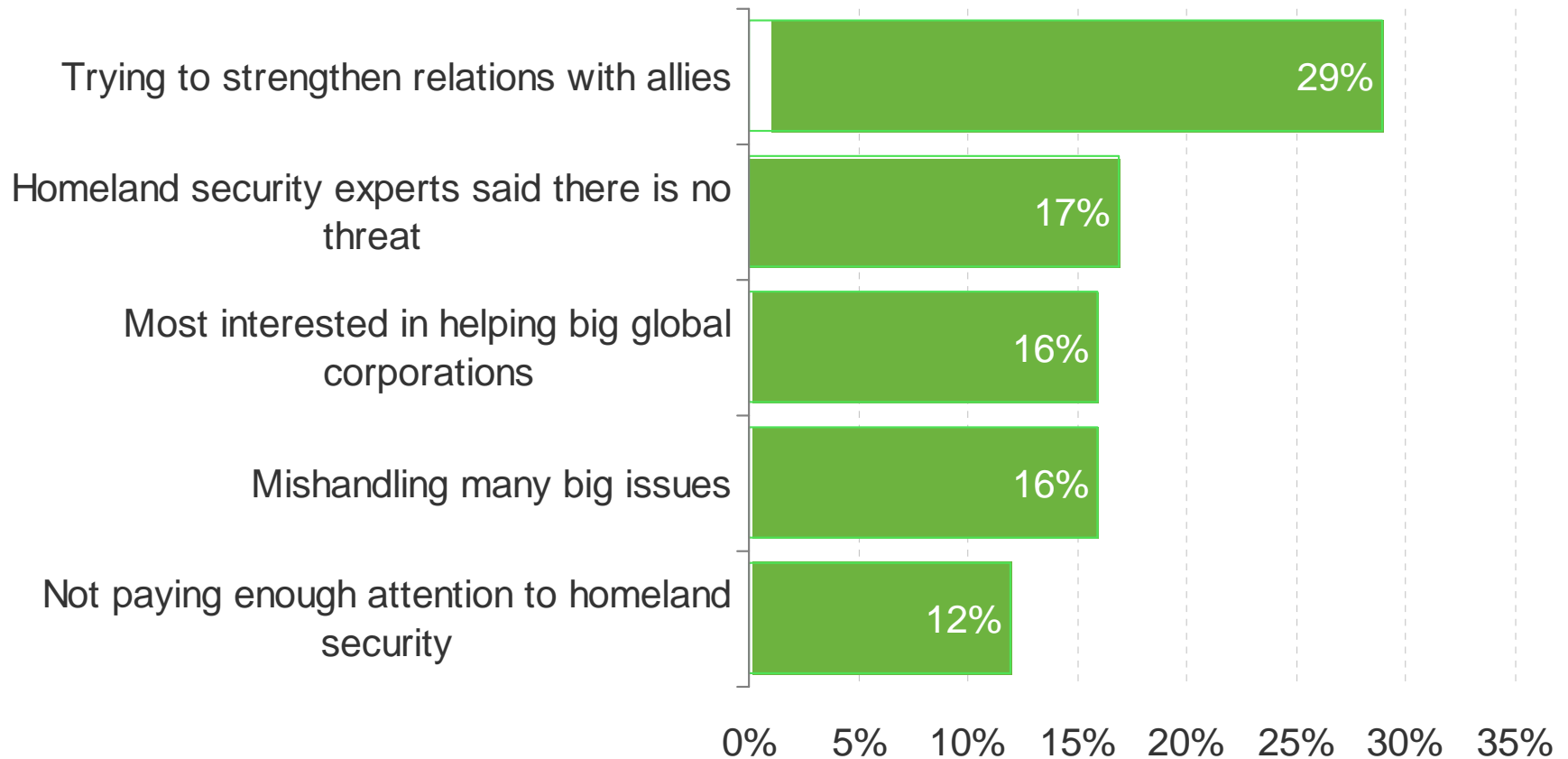
*As you know, the Bush Administration approved a government-owned company from the United Arab Emirates operating six American ports. Why do you think the Bush Administration approved that?*





## Reasons why Bush approved ports deal: Choices presented

*As you know, President Bush approved a government-owned company from the United Arab Emirates operating six American ports. Which of the following best explains why President Bush approved that?*





## National Security Debate – Republican siding with Bush

*Now I am going to read you two different viewpoints on America's national security and after I read them please tell me which statement comes closest to your own opinion...*

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<p><b>The Democrat says, the President is asleep at the switch. He is more concerned with the needs of global corporations than he is with American security and needs. President Bush defended turning over operations of American ports to a United Arab Emirates company and has failed to strengthen homeland security. He went to India and said the outsourcing of American jobs is good for both economies. And the Bush administration has stopped imposing penalties on American companies that employ illegal immigrants. The Democrat says, it's time to put America's security first.</b></p>	<b>40</b>	<b>52</b>
<b>OR</b>		
<p><b>The Republican says that in a world after September 11th, President Bush is right is saying we must build close relations with countries that support us in the war on terror and we must compete globally in the new economy that is driven by technology. If we fail to recognize the global technological nature of the new economy, countries like China and India will leave us behind. We need to cut regulations and improve education to keep America the best place to create jobs. The Republican says we must work with other countries to win the war on terror and strengthen our economy.</b></p>	<b>33</b>	<b>42</b>



## National Security Debate – Republican independent of Bush

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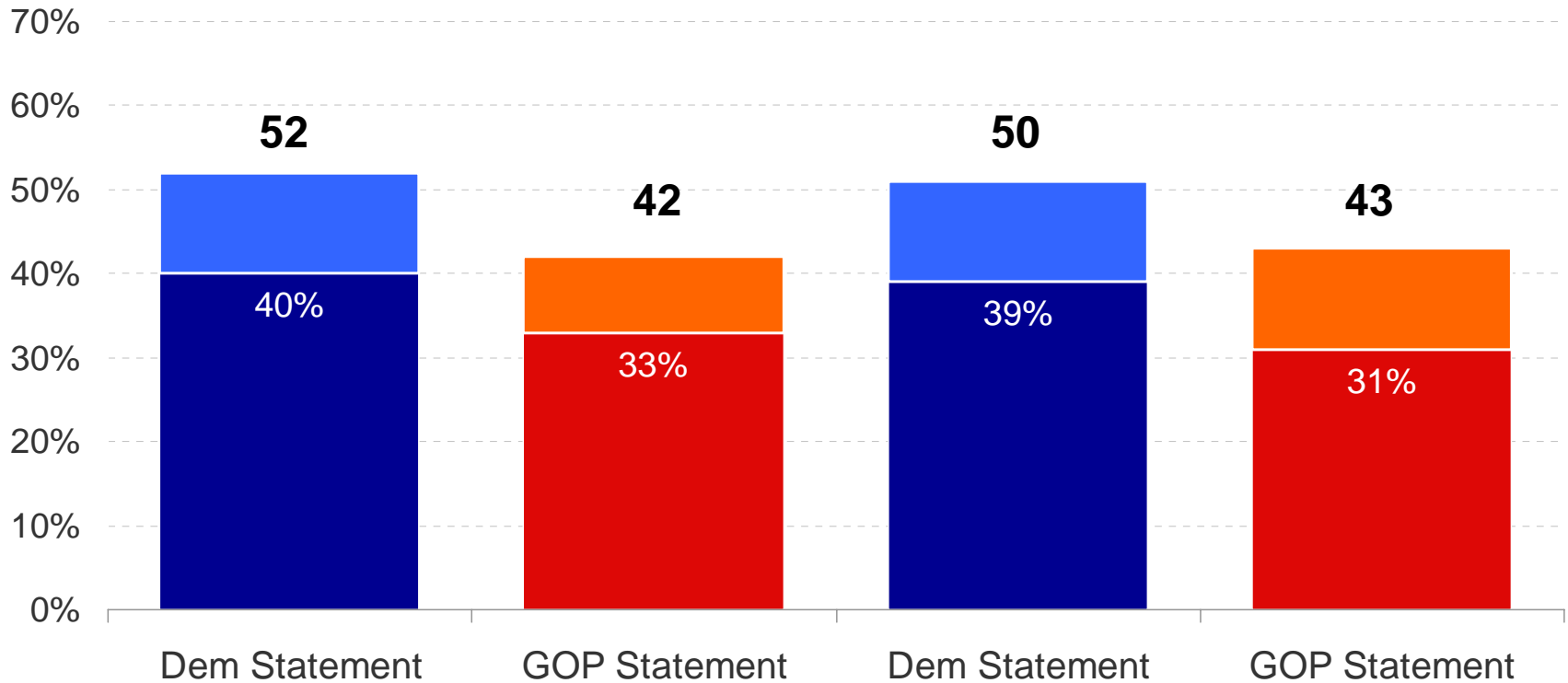
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<p><b>The Republican says that we are independent of President Bush on important issues like the ports deal, outsourcing of jobs, and illegal immigration. It was wrong to turn the security of the ports over to a company from Dubai and the Republicans voted to stop it. We also need to cut regulations to make it easier to keep jobs in America, and we need much stronger laws against illegal immigrants to protect our national security. The Republican says the best way to protect America's security is to protect our ports and borders from people who may do us harm.</b></p>	<b>31</b>	<b>43</b>



# National Security Debate

*Republican siding with Bush*

*Republican independent of Bush*





# Port Security Debate

*Now I am going to read you two different viewpoints on America's port security and after I read them please tell me which statement comes closest to your own opinion.*

	<b>Prefer strongly</b>	<b>Total Prefer</b>
<b>The Democrat says, it is good for America's security that the recent ports deal fell through, but there is still much more that needs to be done to secure our ports. Currently less than 6 percent of the containers entering our ports are inspected and more than 30 percent of our port terminals are owned by foreign companies. In order to protect Americans, we need to expand our container inspection and implement much stricter security measures at our ports and borders.</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>62</b>

**OR**

<b>The Republican says, we were opposed to President Bush's decision to approve the ports deal and thanks to our hard fought efforts, a company from the United Arab Emirates will no longer be taking over control of U.S. ports. While stopping this deal was a major success, we recognize that more needs to be done and will work to ensure that all future transactions involving our ports are in the best interest of America's national security.</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>31</b>
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