



The CivicScience Election Consumer Mindset Tracker

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SUMMARY

Support for both the Democratic and Republican parties is waning this month.

From October to November, our data shows declines in support for Democratic and Republican candidates across all the major races (Presidential, House, and Senate.) Equal support exists for both Democratic and Republican candidates for the House of Representatives and the Senate. Yet, in both cases, about 1 in 3 adults say they are unsure which party they would support. Currently, Donald Trump has more support than Joe Biden in the hypothetical race for the White House. However, it's important to note that support for both dropped from the prior month, and there is a growing number of Americans who say they are unsure who they would vote for or don't plan to vote at all if Biden and Trump are their choices.

Conservatives are paying more attention than usual to political news right now. However, attention dipped a bit in November.

The majority of adults say they haven't made any recent political posts on social media. However, those who identify as strong Democrats were far more likely to say they have made political posts very frequently in the past month (data not shown). While most Americans aren't currently making political social posts, more than two thirds say they have discussed politics recently with family or friends. Again, this is higher among Democrats.

The three primary economic concerns - inflation, taxes, and the federal budget deficit - have all improved from the previous month.

Economic concerns are slightly down this month. Concerns around homelessness/food insecurity have increased. With the holidays upon us, many people become more aware of those in need, which could account for this shift. We also see increased concern about the U.S. healthcare system and unemployment.

Americans are exhausted, angry, and saddened by the current state of politics.

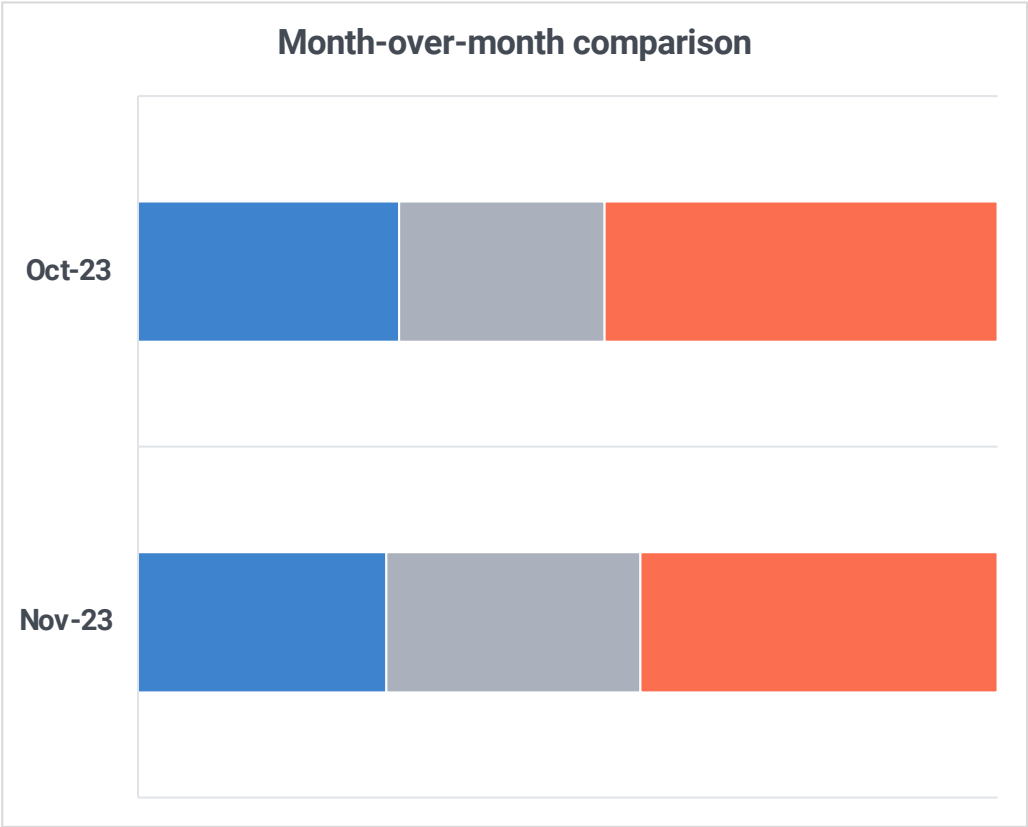
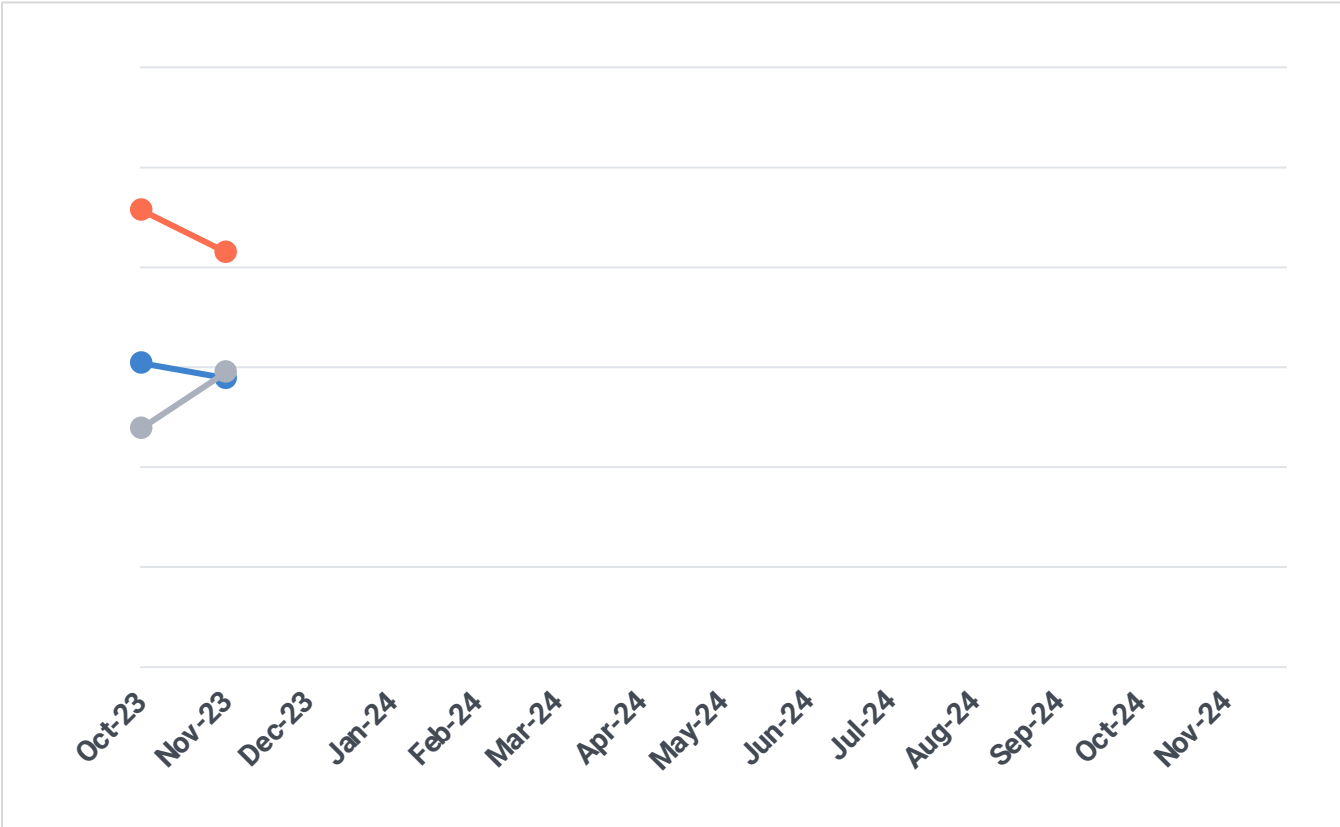
All political parties are collectively expressing negative emotions around American politics, with Liberals and Moderates being a bit more exhausted and Conservatives being slightly angrier. While this may seem discouraging, there is a positive takeaway this month. All negative emotions have shown slight declines, while all positive emotions have increased. Hopefulness showed the highest jump, up 8 pp from the prior month. It's possible that newly elected officials are sparking some optimism among some voters.



Political Opinions & Behavior

Key Insight

Q: Do you approve or disapprove of the job Joe Biden is doing as President?

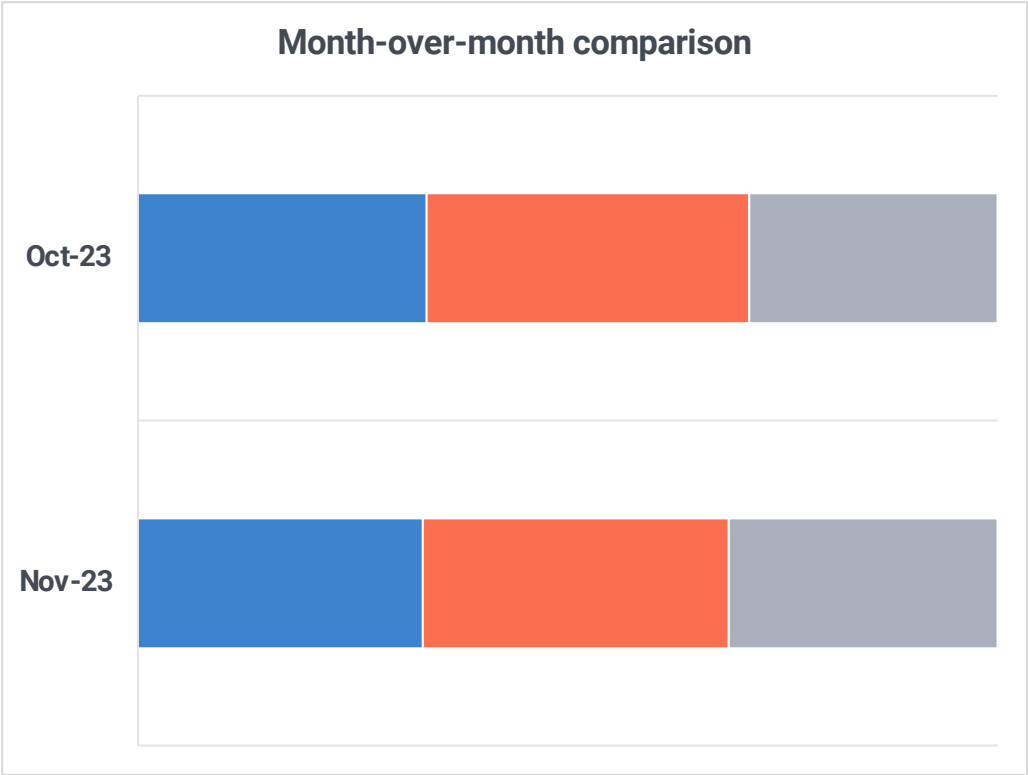
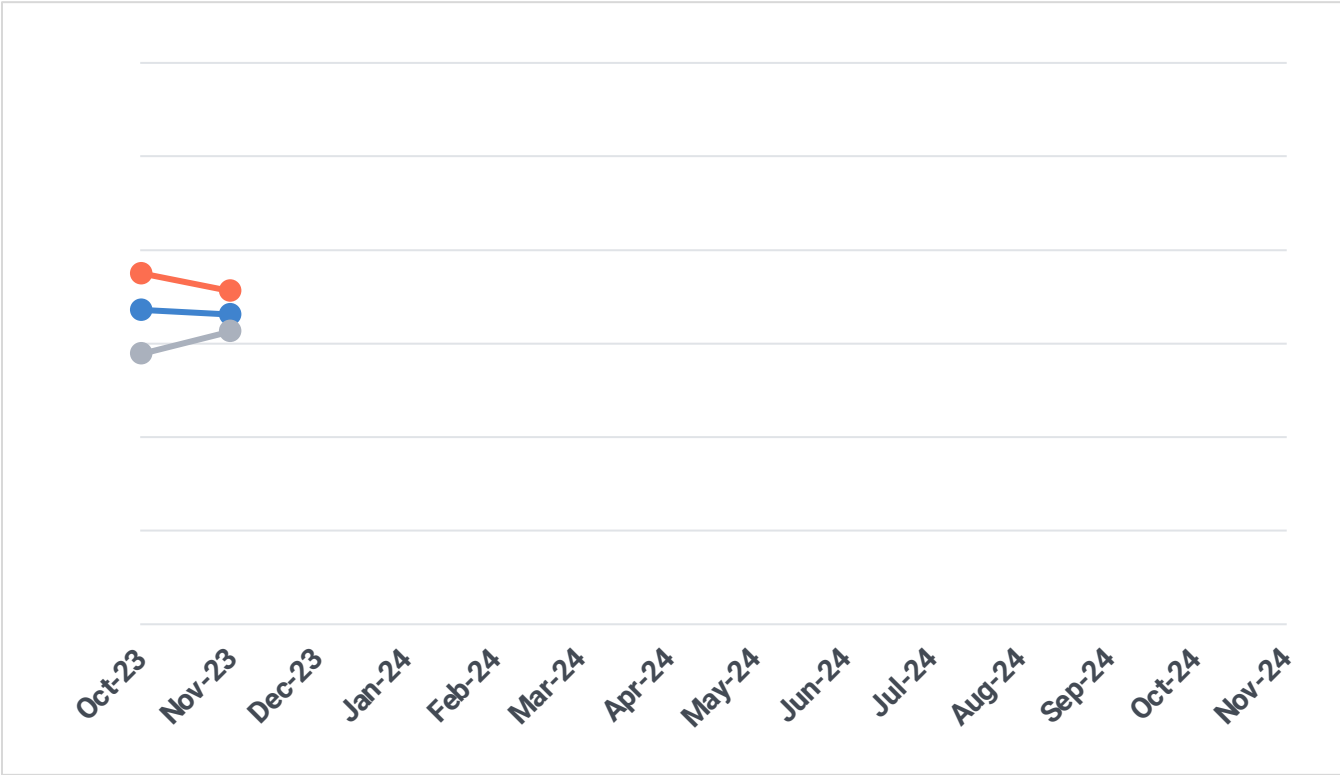


—● Approve —● Neutral / No opinion —● Disapprove

9,264 responses from 10/19/2023 to 11/24/2023, weighted by U.S. Adults (18+)

Key Insight

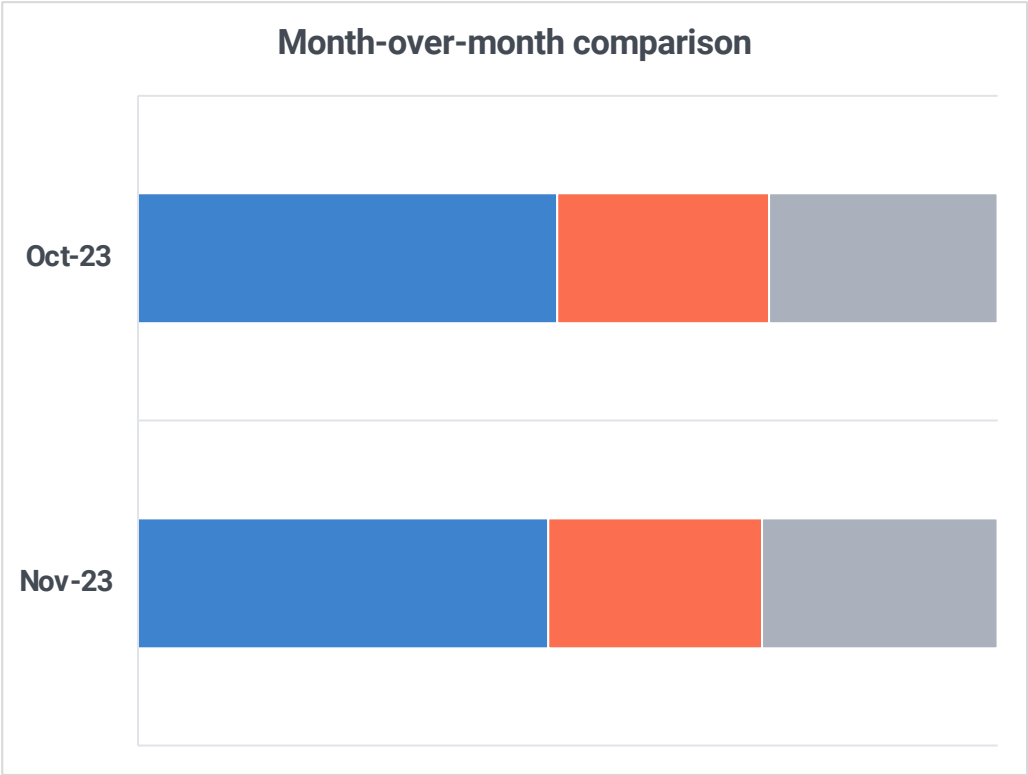
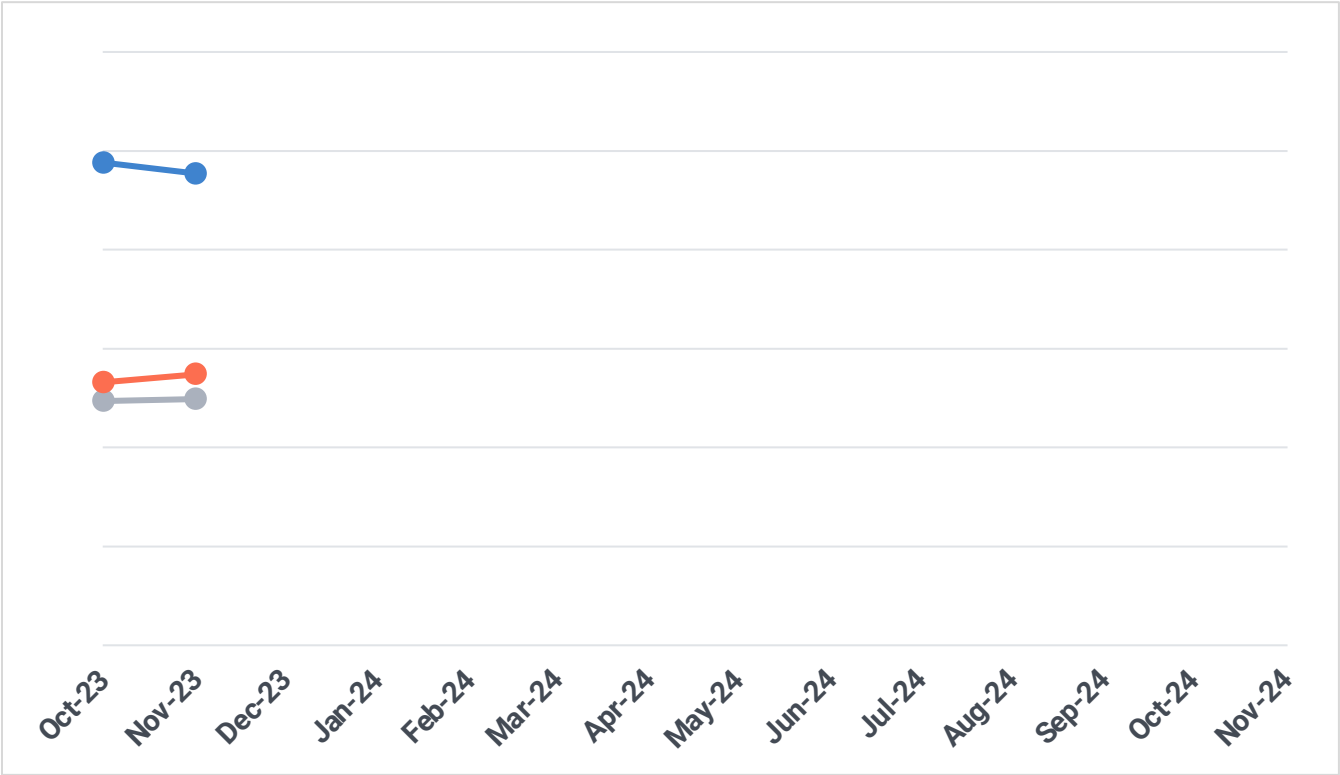
Q: In 2024, do you plan to vote in the Democratic or Republican presidential primary or caucus in your state?



— Yes, Democrat primary / caucus — Yes, Republican primary / caucus — I do not plan to vote in either

Key Insight

Q: Which of the following best describes how you plan to vote in the 2024 Presidential Election?

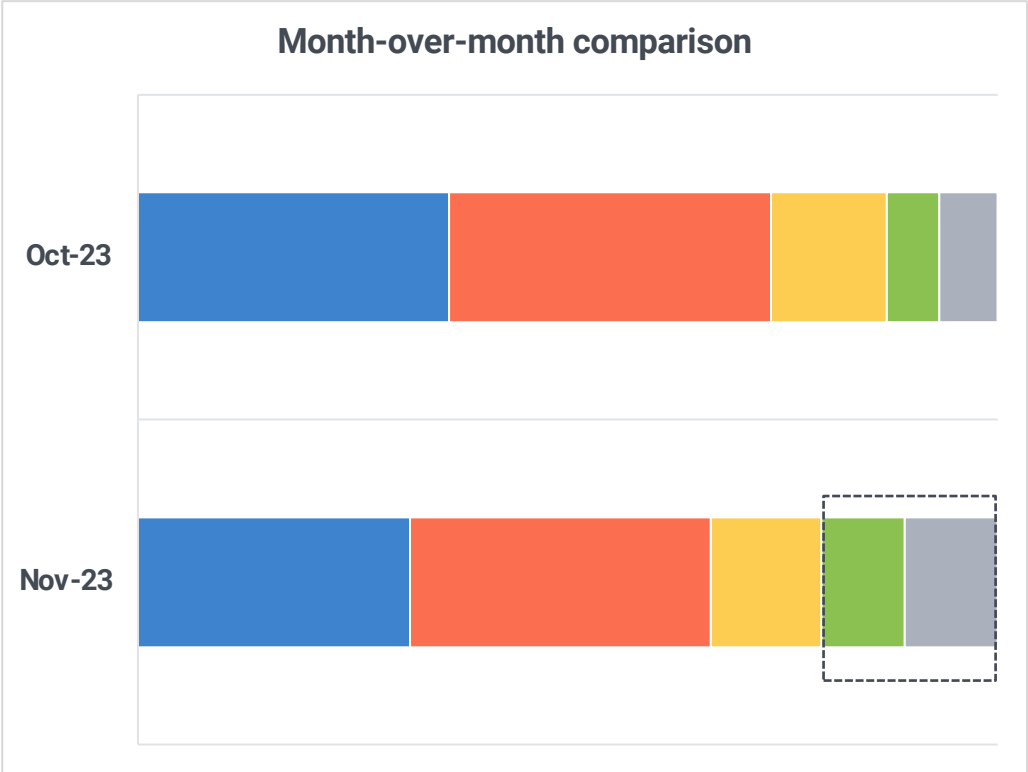
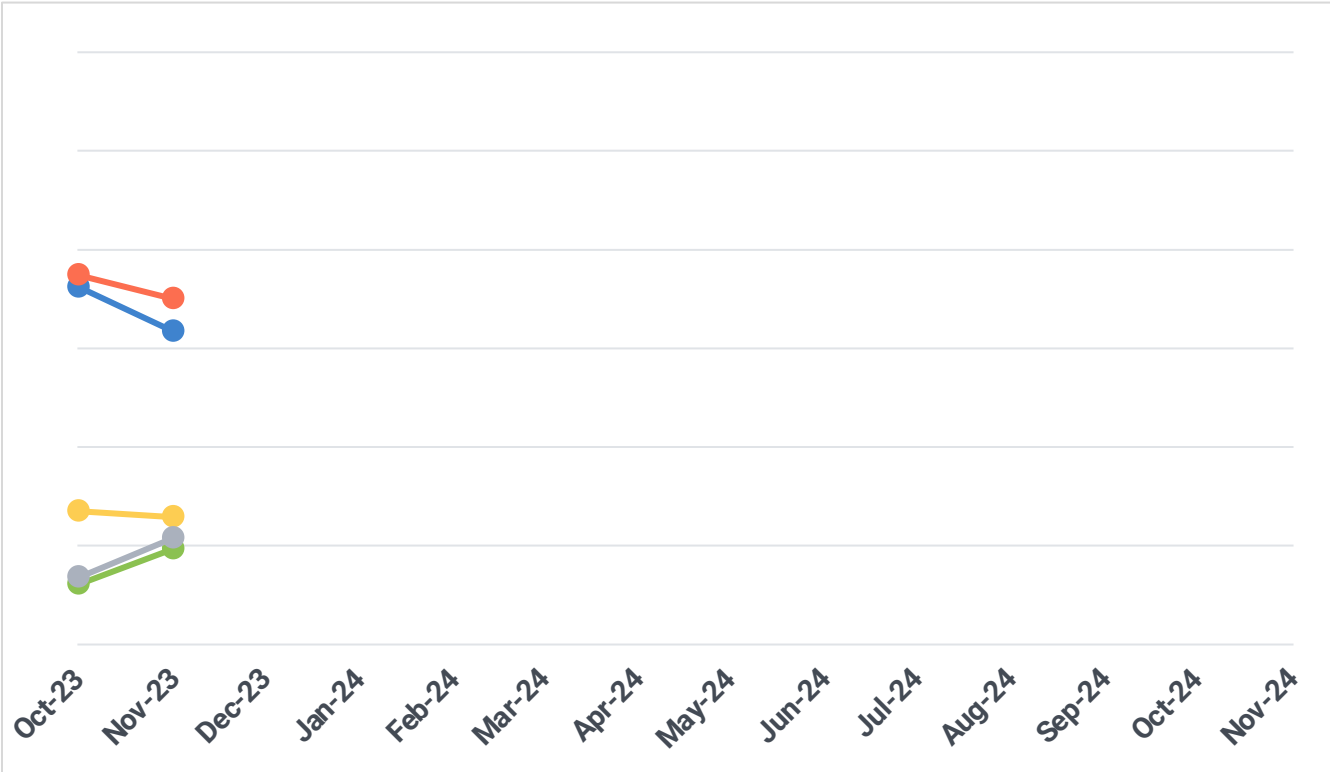


—● In-person on election day
 —● In-person prior to election day (via early voting)
 —● Via absentee voting / Voting by mail

7,455 responses from 10/19/2023 to 11/24/2023, weighted by U.S. Adults (18+)

Key Insight

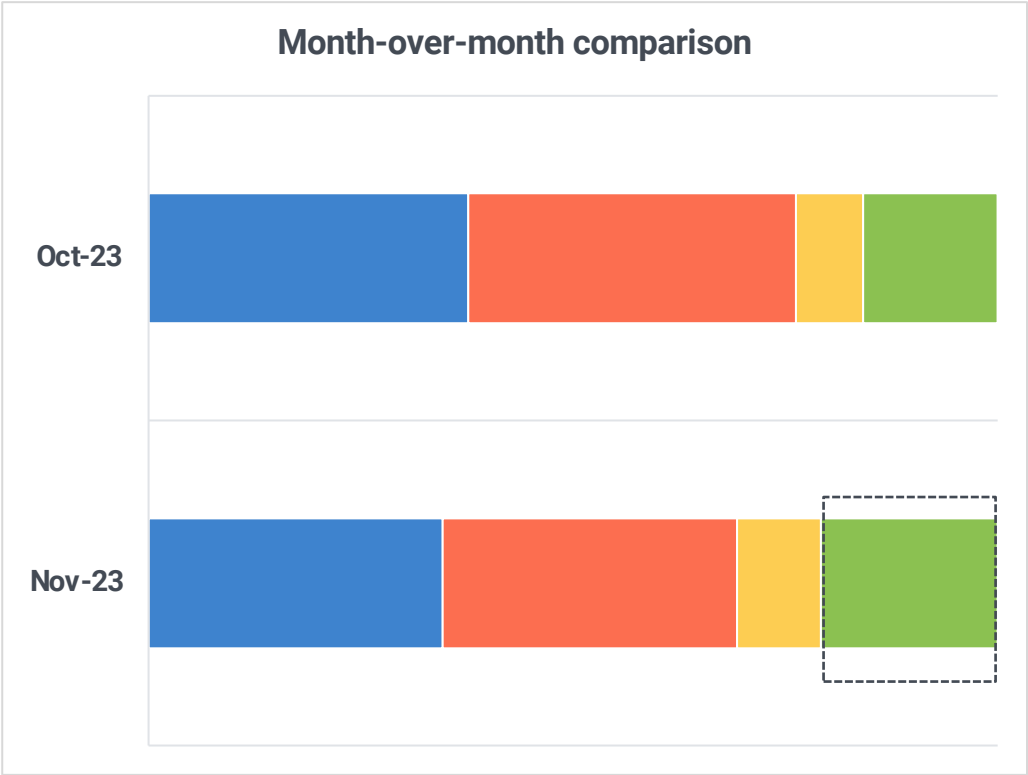
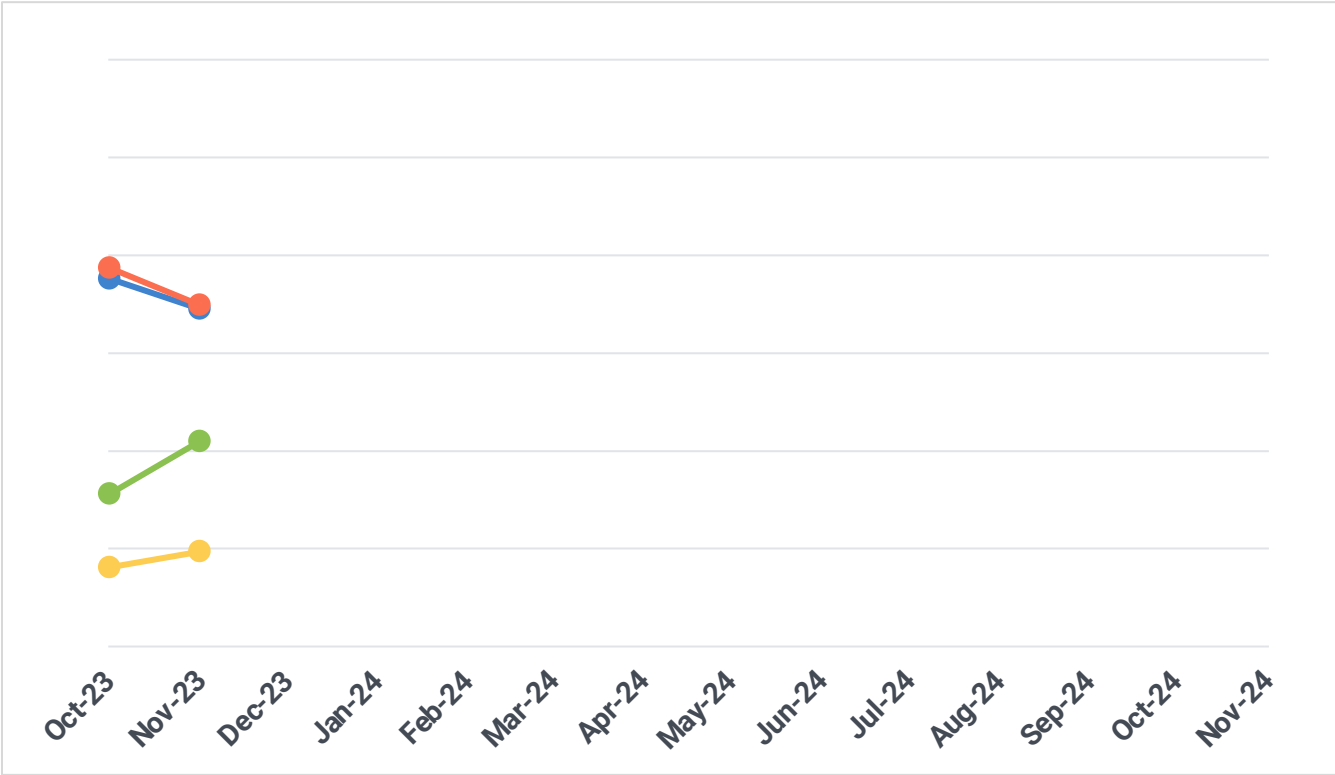
Q: If the 2024 Presidential Election were held today and the candidates were Joe Biden and Donald Trump, who would you vote for?



● Joe Biden
● Donald Trump
● Someone else
● I'm not sure
● I don't plan to vote

Key Insight

Q: If the 2024 United States House of Representatives elections were held today, who would you vote for?

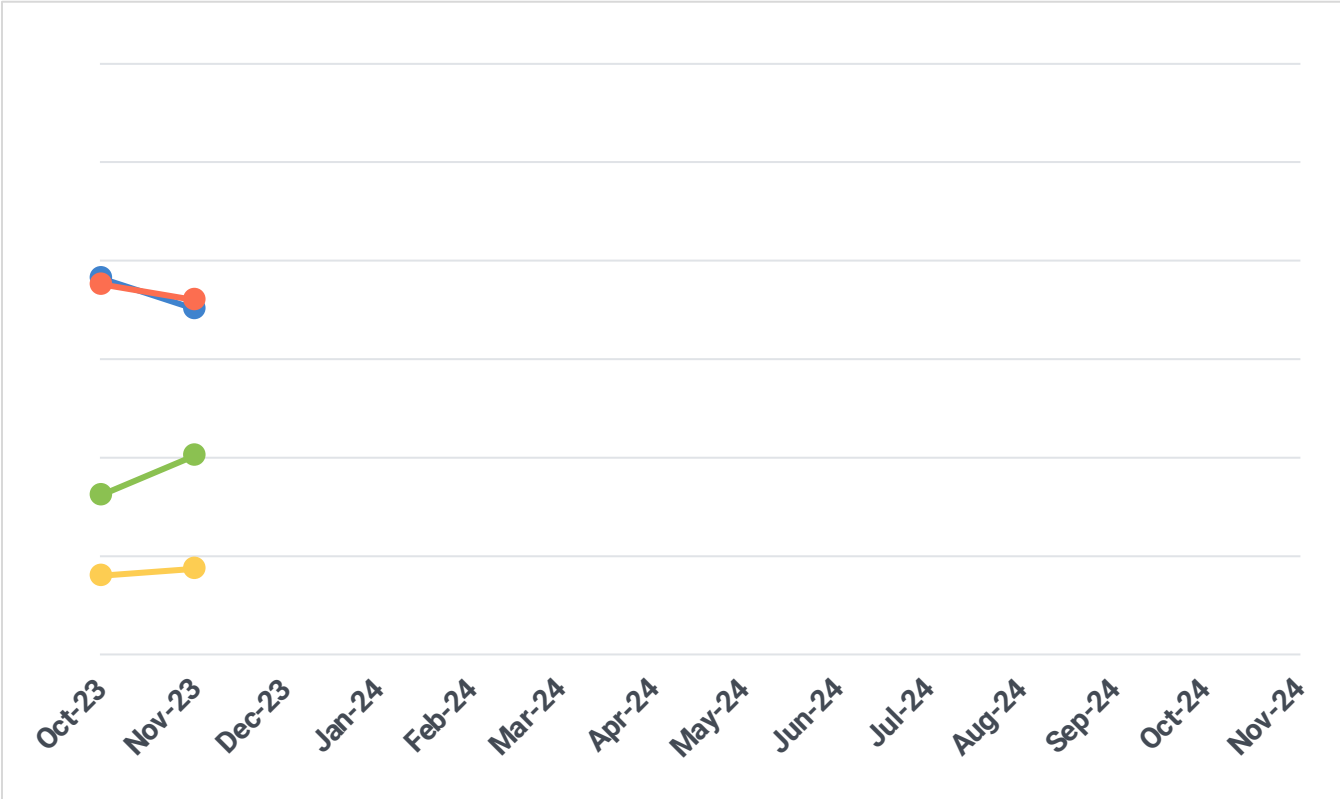


—● Democratic candidate
 —● Republican candidate
 —● Someone else
 —● I don't know

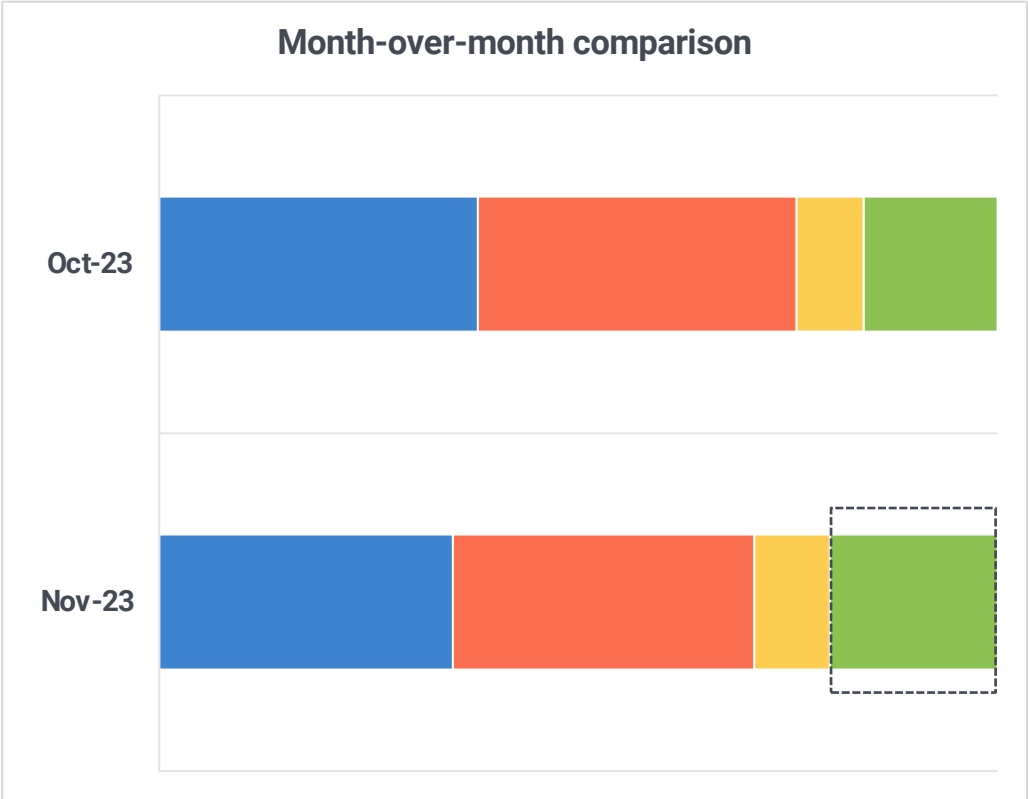
7,985 responses from 10/19/2023 to 11/24/2023, weighted by U.S. Adults (18+)

Key Insight

Q: If the 2024 United States Senate elections were held today, who would you vote for?



—● Democratic candidate
 —● Republican candidate
 —● Someone else
 —● I don't know



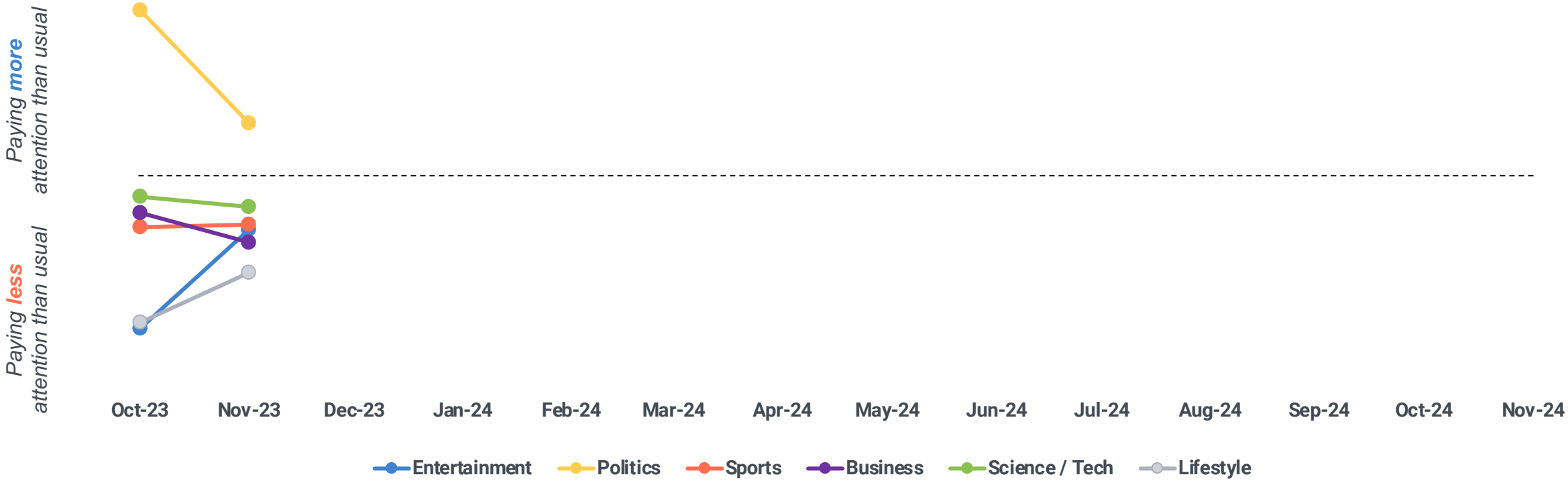
12,113 responses from 10/19/2023 to 11/24/2023, weighted by U.S. Adults (18+)



Media Consumption & Social Behavior

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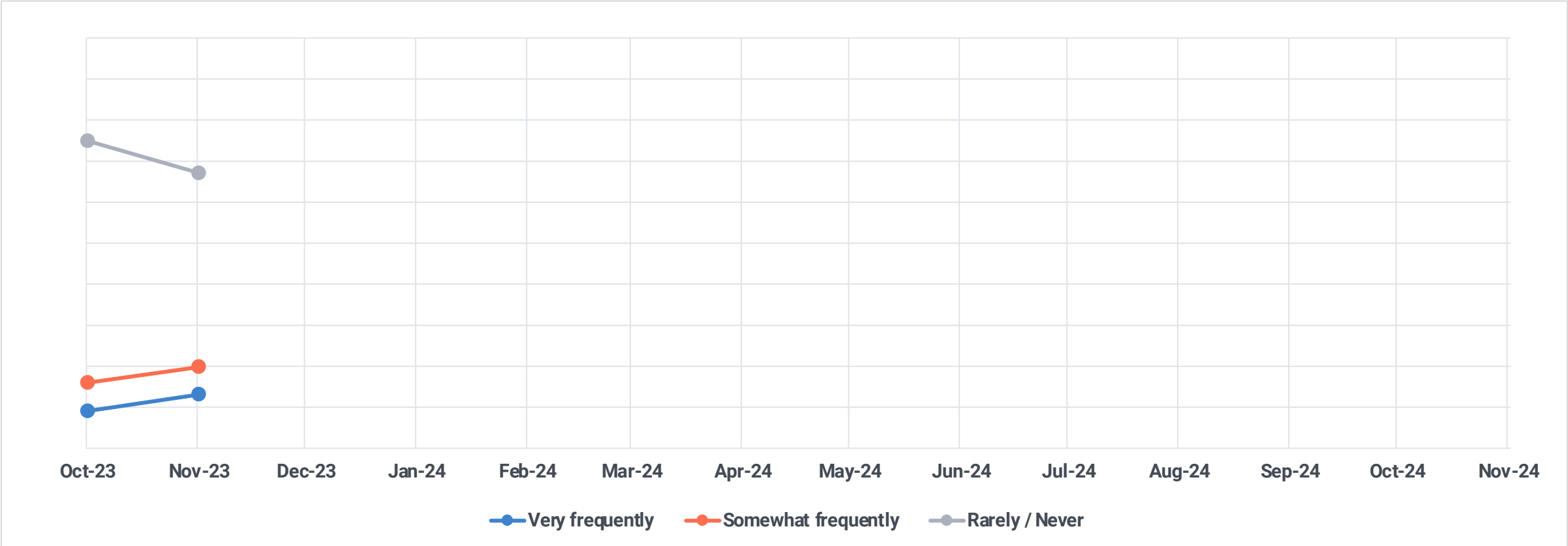
Q: In the last month, have you been paying any more or less attention than usual to the following news topics? >
Net More Score*



11,821 responses from 10/19/2023 to 11/24/2023, weighted by U.S. Adults (18+)
 *Net More Score = % of respondents who answer "more" minus % who answer "less"

Key Insight

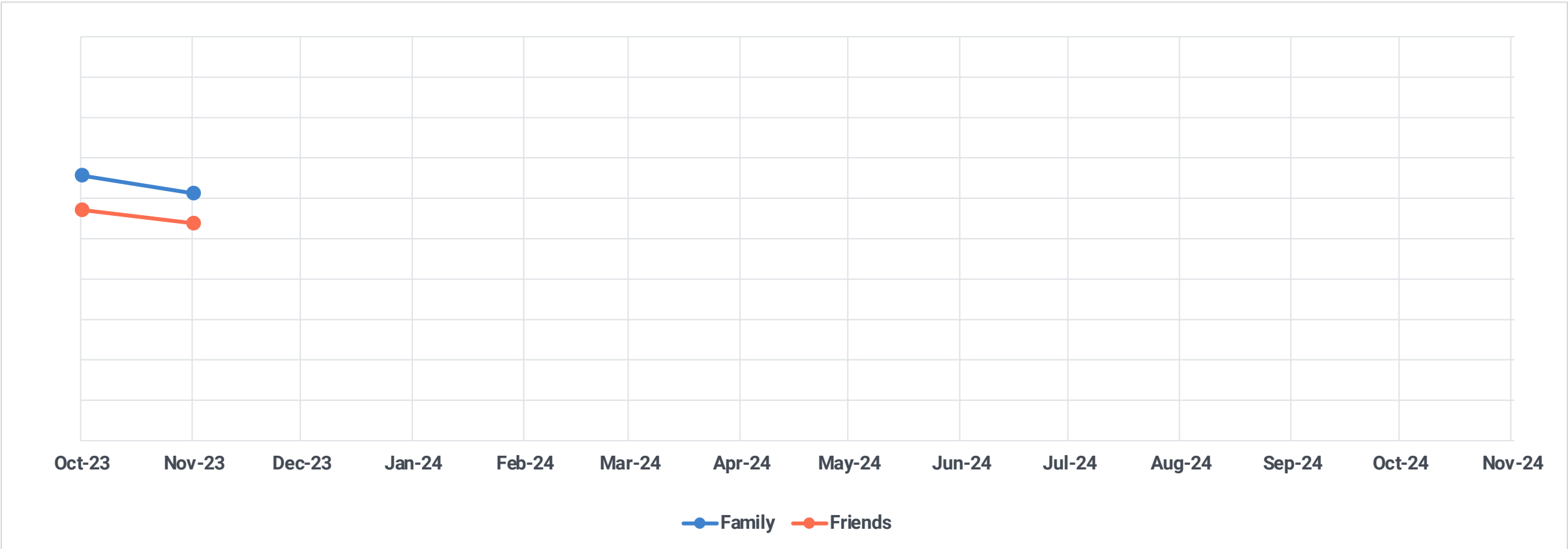
Q: During the last month, how frequently did you post about politics on social media?



12,014 responses from 10/19/2023 to 11/24/2023, weighted by U.S. Adults (18+)

Key Insight

Q: During the last month, how frequently did you discuss politics with the following groups of people? >
% Somewhat / Very Frequently



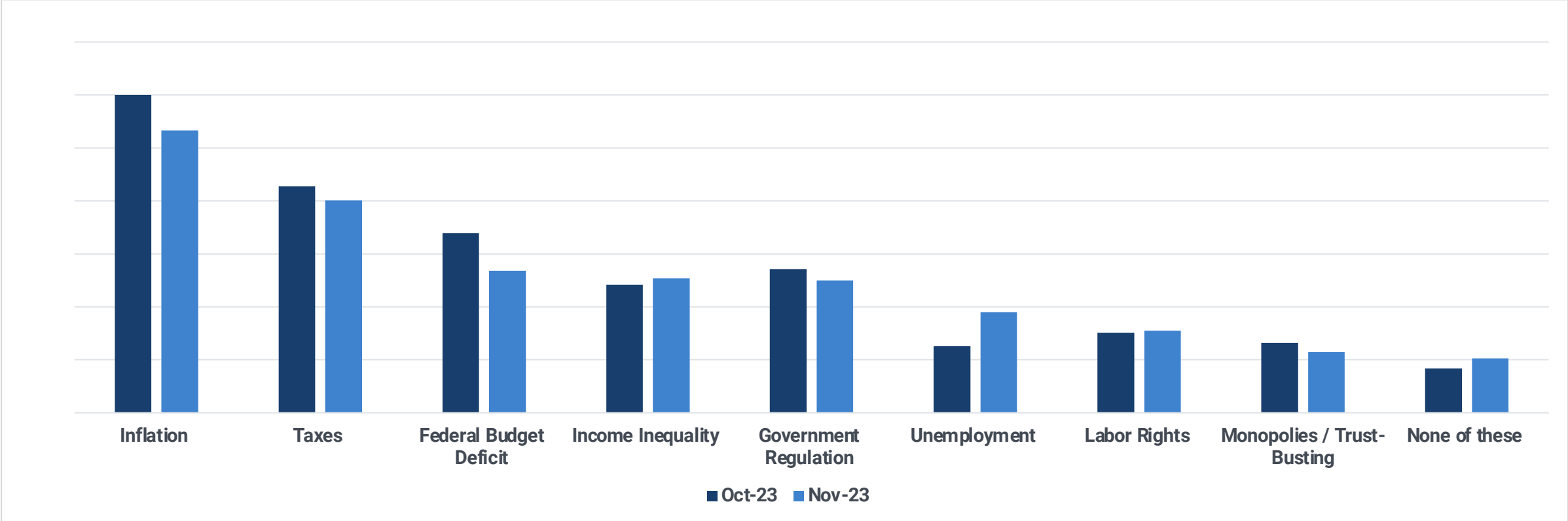


Issue Positions

Top Concerns: Economic Issues

(Ranked According to November 2023)

**Q: Which of the following economic issues are most important to you ahead of the 2024 presidential election?
Select up to 3.**



12,184 responses from 10/22/2023 to 11/24/2023, weighted by U.S. Adults (18+)

Top Economic Concerns x Political Affiliation

(November 2023)

**Q: Which of the following economic issues are most important to you ahead of the 2024 presidential election?
Select up to 3.**

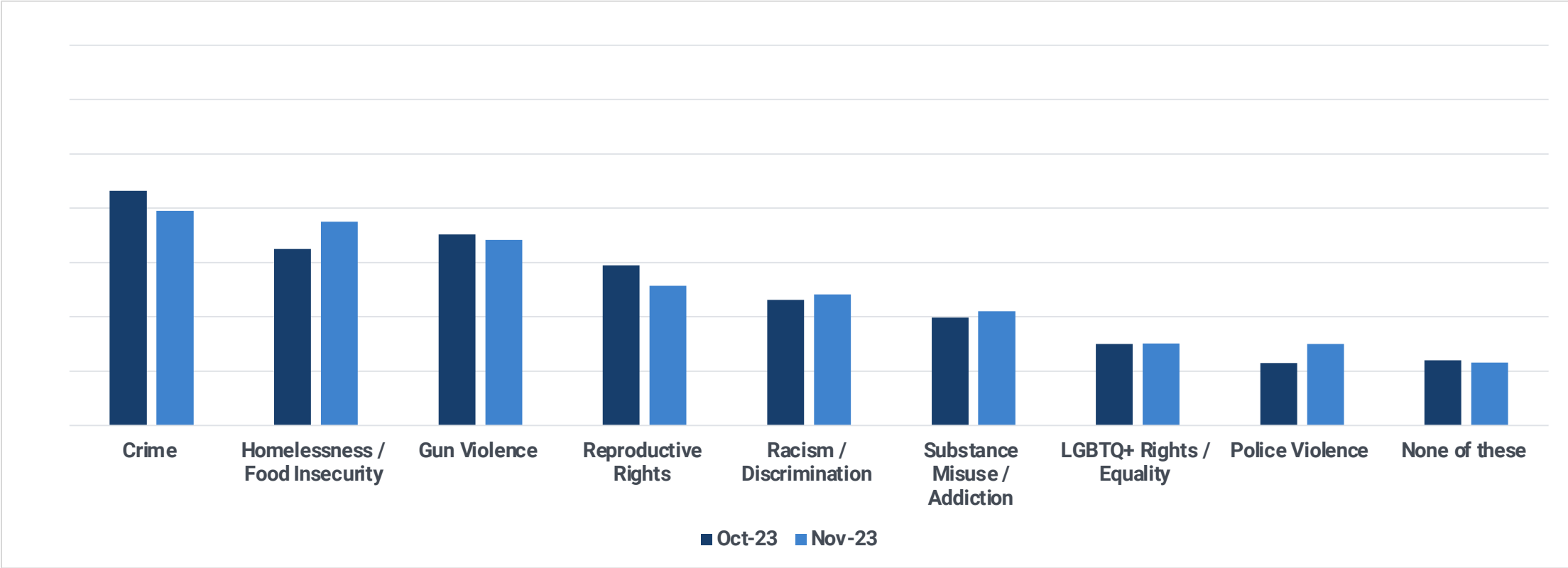
Issue	U.S. Adults (18+)	Democrats	Republicans	Independents
Inflation	%	%	%	%
Taxes	%	%	%	%
Federal budget deficit	%	%	%	%
Government regulation	%	%	%	%
Income inequality	%	%	%	%
Unemployment	%	%	%	%
Labor rights	%	%	%	%
Monopolies / trust-busting	%	%	%	%
None of these	%	%	%	%

2,377 – 6,248 responses from 10/22/2023 to 11/21/2023, weighted by US Adults
Note: Shading reflects top concern among that group

Top Concerns: Social Issues

(Ranked According to November 2023)

**Q: Which of the following social issues are most important to you ahead of the 2024 presidential election?
Select up to 3.**



Top Social Concerns x Political Affiliation

(November 2023)

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Select up to 3.**

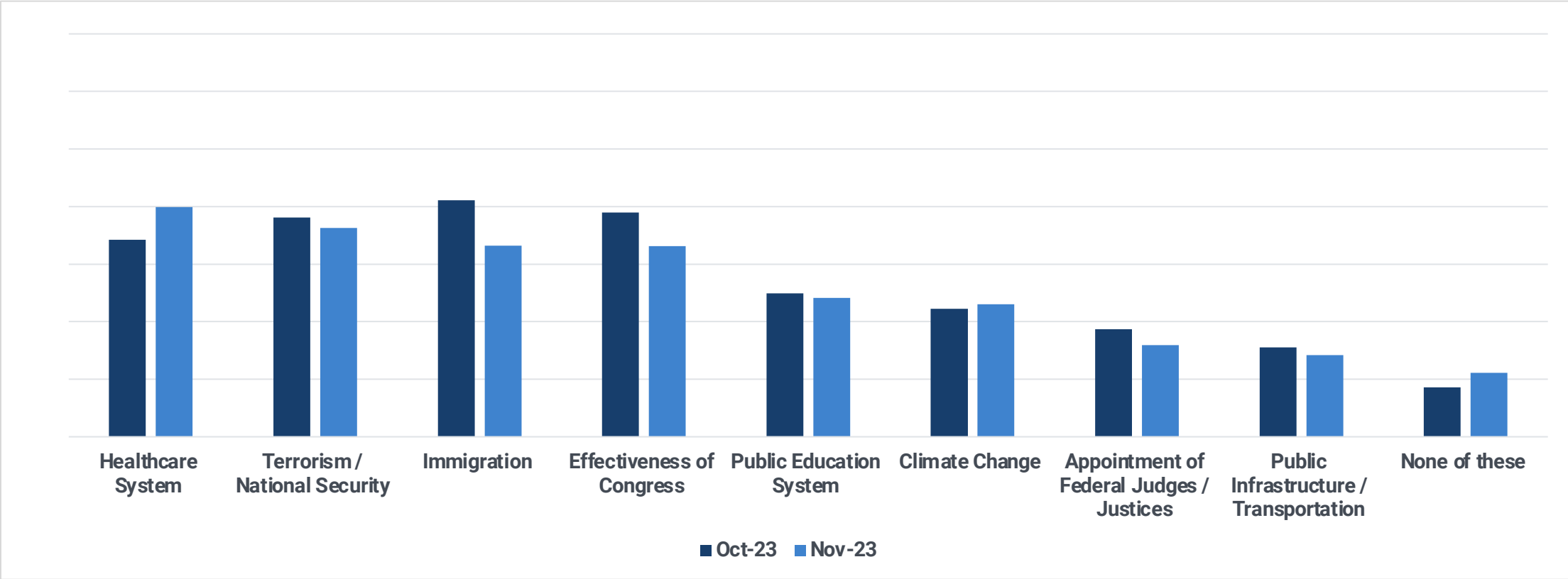
Issue	U.S. Adults (18+)	Democrats	Republicans	Independents
Crime	%	%	%	%
Homelessness / food insecurity	%	%	%	%
Gun violence	%	%	%	%
Reproductive rights	%	%	%	%
Racism / discrimination	%	%	%	%
Substance misuse / addiction	%	%	%	%
LGBTQ+ rights / equality	%	%	%	%
Police violence	%	%	%	%
None of these	%	%	%	%

2,430 – 6,298 responses from 10/22/2023 to 11/21/2023, weighted by US Adults
Note: Shading reflects top concern among that group

Top Concerns: Political Issues

(Ranked According to November 2023)

**Q: Which of the following social issues are most important to you ahead of the 2024 presidential election?
Select up to 3.**



Top Political Concerns x Political Affiliation

(November 2023)

**Q: Which of the following political issues are most important to you ahead of the 2024 presidential election?
Select up to 3.**

Issue	U.S. Adults (18+)	Democrats	Republicans	Independents
Terrorism / national security	%	%	%	%
Healthcare System	%	%	%	%
Immigration	%	%	%	%
Effectiveness of Congress / ability to pass legislation	%	%	%	%
Public Education System	%	%	%	%
Climate change	%	%	%	%
Appointment of federal judges / justices	%	%	%	%
Public infrastructure / transportation	%	%	%	%
None of these	%	%	%	%

2,415 – 6,345 responses from 10/22/2023 to 11/21/2023, weighted by US Adults
Note: Shading reflects top concern among that group

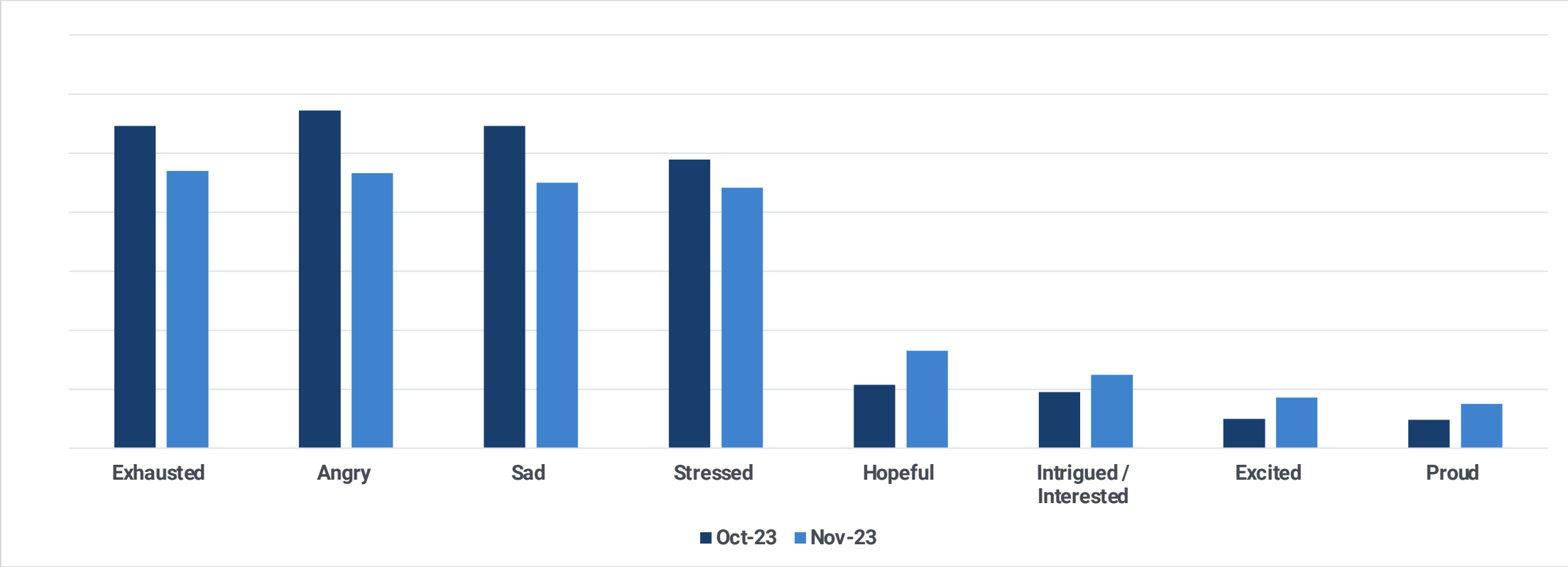


Mood of the Electorate

Feelings About American Politics

(Ranked According to November 2023)

Q: How would you say you feel when you think about American politics these days? Select all that apply.



Feelings About American Politics x Political Affiliation

(November 2023)

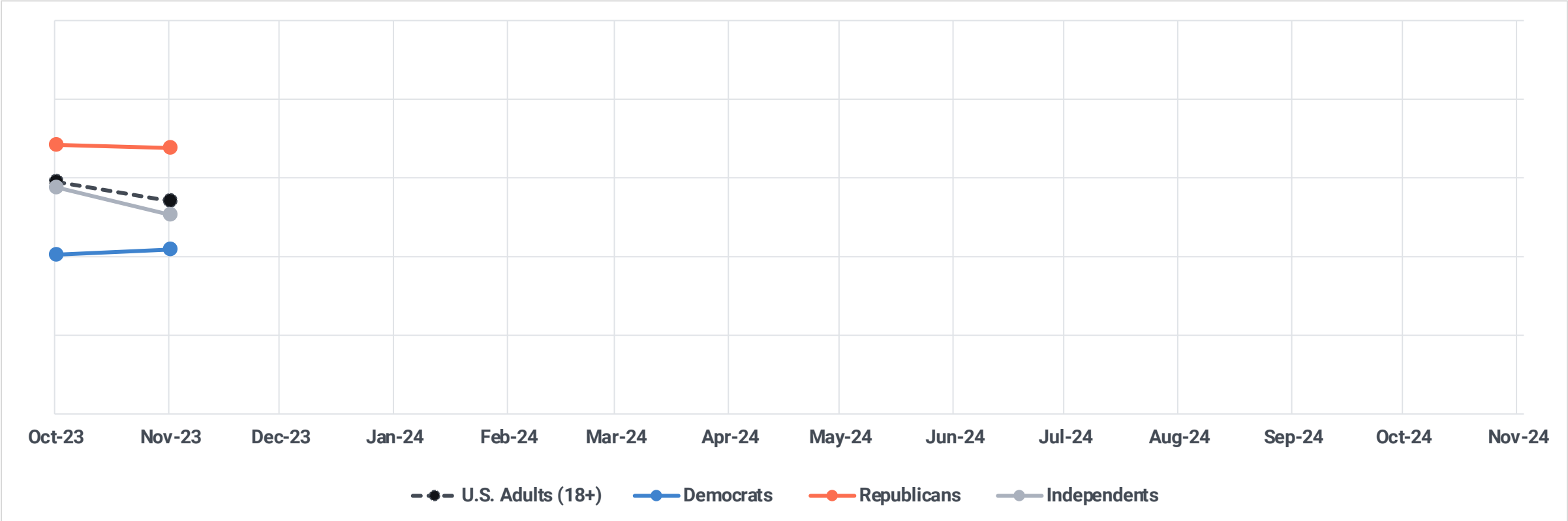
Q: How would you say you feel when you think about American politics these days? Select all that apply.

Issue	U.S. Adults (18+)	Democrats	Republicans	Independents
Angry	%	%	%	%
Exhausted	%	%	%	%
Sad	%	%	%	%
Stressed	%	%	%	%
Hopeful	%	%	%	%
Intrigued / Interested	%	%	%	%
Excited	%	%	%	%
Proud	%	%	%	%

2,316 – 5,874 responses from 10/22/2023 to 11/21/2023, weighted by US Adults
Note: Shading reflects top feeling among that group

Key Insight

Q: How strongly have you felt [*Happy; Sad; Stressed; Afraid; Worried; Excited*] in the past week or so?



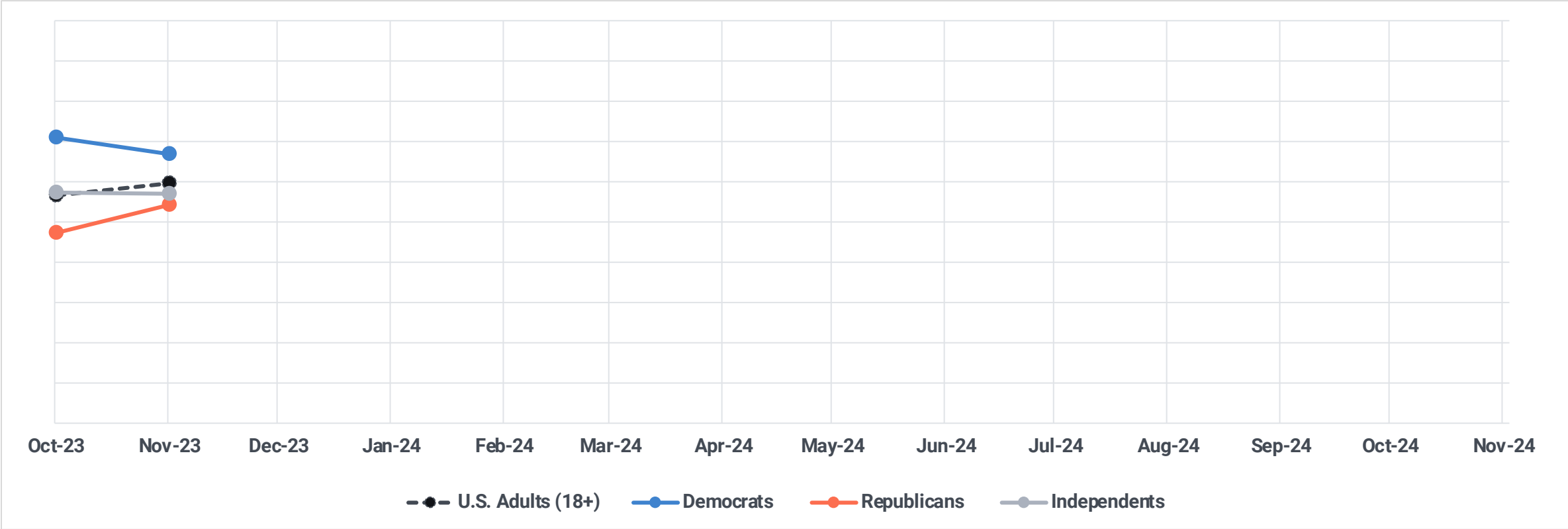
Key Insight

Year-over-year Change in Emotional Well-being (in percentage points)

Component Score	U.S. Adults (18+)	Democrats	Republicans	Independents
Sadness	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #
Excitement	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #
Stress	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #
Happiness	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #
Worry	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #
Fear	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #
Emotional Well-being Index (EWBI)	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #

Key Insight

Q: Compared to today, do you expect [your **income** to be higher or lower; your **credit score** to be higher or lower; to have more or less money **saved**; to have more or less **debt**; to have more or less money **invested**] 6 months from now?



205,740 responses from 10/01/2023 to 11/24/2023, weighted by US Adults

Key Insight

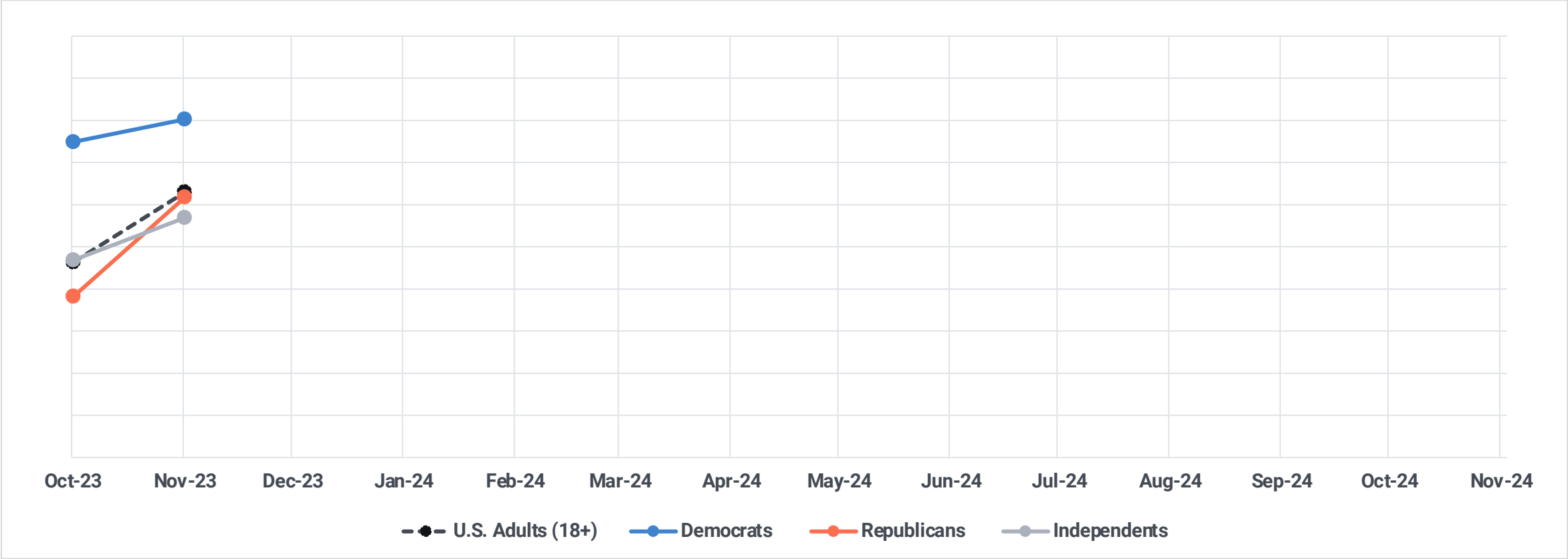
Year-over-year Change in Consumer Financial Health (in percentage points)

Component Score	U.S. Adults (18+)	Democrats	Republicans	Independents
Savings Outlook	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #
Income Outlook	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #
Investing Outlook	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #
Credit Outlook	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #
Debt Outlook	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #
Consumer Financial Health Index (CFHI)	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #

2,140,445 responses from 10/01/2022 to 11/24/2023, weighted by US Adults

Key Insight

Q: How much do you trust [Banks; Hospitals; Media; Police; Politicians; Major Companies]?



22,397 responses from 10/01/2023 to 11/24/2023, weighted by US Adults

Key Insight

Year-over-year Change in Institutional Trust (in percentage points)

Component Score	U.S. Adults (18+)	Democrats	Republicans	Independents
Trust in Major Companies	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #
Trust in Politicians	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #
Trust in Hospitals	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #
Trust in Banks	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #
Trust in Media	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #
Trust in Police	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #
Institutional Trust Index (ITI)	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #	+/- #

273,355 responses from 10/01/2022 to 11/24/2023, weighted by US Adults

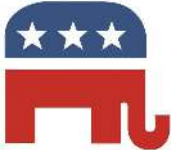
Psychographic & Demographic Drivers of Political Leanings

Demographic Profiles: Political Party Affiliation



- Strong Democrats** are more likely to be:
- Millennials
 - People who go to the movies at least once a month
 - Organic food buyers
 - Regular upscale restaurant diners
 - Digital device addicts
 - Wine drinkers
 - People who follow health and fitness trends

Demographic	U.S. Adults (18+): Democrats	U.S. Adults (18+): Republicans
Male	%	%
Female	%	%
18 - 34	%	%
35 - 54	%	%
55 or older	%	%
Low Income	%	%
Middle Income	%	%
High Income	%	%
High school or less	%	%
Some college, no degree	%	%
Bachelor's or associate degree	%	%
Graduate or professional degree	%	%
White or Caucasian	%	%
Hispanic or Latino	%	%
Black	%	%
Other	%	%
City	%	%
Suburbs	%	%
Rural Area	%	%
Parent	%	%
Married	%	%
Single, never married	%	%



- Strong Republicans** are more likely to be:
- People who manage their money very well
 - People who live in the US South
 - People who are most influenced by TV ads
 - People who eat most often at casual restaurants
 - Price-conscious consumers
 - College football fans

Drivers of Being Politically Liberal



The Top Drivers of Being a Political Liberal

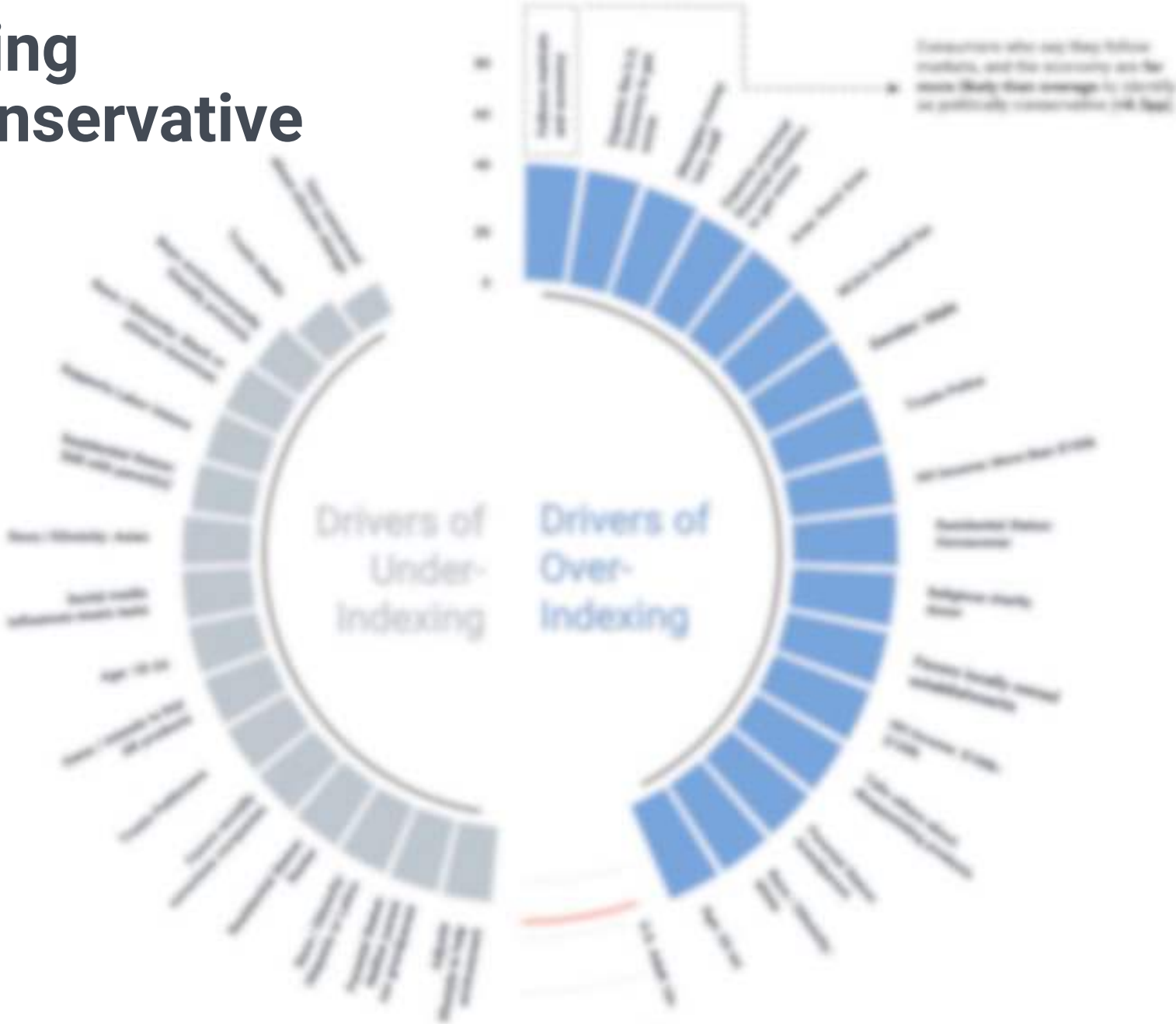
Consumer attributes that are drivers of *over-indexing* as a Political Liberal

Drivers of Over-Indexing	Difference from Baseline
Very concerned about climate change	
Trusts Media	
Buys environmentally friendly products	
Supports Labor Unions	
Favors socially conscious companies	
Parental Status: Neither parent nor grandparent	
Residential Status: Still with parent(s)	
Residential Status: Renter	
Area: City	
Price-conscious: Electronics	
Trusts Politicians	
Expects U.S. Economy to get better	
Social media influences music taste	
Age: 18-24	
Buys organic food	
Gender: Female	
Education: Graduate or professional degree	

Consumer attributes that are drivers of *under-indexing* as a Political Liberal

Drivers of Under-Indexing	Difference from Baseline
NCAA football fan	
Follows markets and economy	
Religious charity donor	
Trusts Police	
Parental Status: Grandparent	
Area: Rural Area	
Gender: Male	
Age: 55-64	
Residential Status: Homeowner	
NHL fan	
Manages money 'very well'	
Expects U.S. Economy to get worse	
Regularly eats at casual restaurants	
NCAA basketball fan	
HH Income: More than \$150k	
Age: 45-54	
Parental Status: Parent	

Drivers of Being Politically Conservative



The Top Drivers of Being a Political Conservative

Consumer attributes that are drivers of *over-indexing* as a Political Conservative

Drivers of Over-Indexing	Difference from Baseline
Follows markets and economy	
Expects U.S. Economy to get worse	
Manages money 'very well'	
Expects personal financial situation to get worse	
Area: Rural Area	
NCAA football fan	
Gender: Male	
Trusts Police	
HH Income: More than \$150k	
Residential Status: Homeowner	
Religious charity donor	
Favors locally owned establishments	
HH Income: \$100k-\$150k	
Tells others about disappointing products	
Parental Status: Grandparent	
Race / Ethnicity: White	
Age: 55-64	

Consumer attributes that are drivers of *under-indexing* as a Political Conservative

Drivers of Under-Indexing	Difference from Baseline
Very concerned about climate change	
Trusts Media	
Buys environmentally friendly products	
Race / Ethnicity: Black or African American	
Supports Labor Unions	
Residential Status: Still with parent(s)	
Race / Ethnicity: Asian	
Social media influences music taste	
Age: 18-24	
Owns / intends to buy AR products	
Trusts Politicians	
Favors socially conscious companies	
Residential Status: Renter	
Race / Ethnicity: Hispanic or Latino	
Parental Status: Neither parent nor grandparent	
Adjusts lifestyle to help environment	
Environmental charity donor	

Drivers of Being Politically Moderate



The Top Drivers of Being a Political Moderate

Consumer attributes that are drivers of *over-indexing* as a Political Moderate

Drivers of Over-Indexing	Difference from Baseline
Race / Ethnicity: Black or African American	
Owns / intends to buy AR products	
Trusts Media	
Race / Ethnicity: Asian	
Race / Ethnicity: Native Hawaiian / Pac. Islander	
Residential Status: Still with parent(s)	
Very concerned about climate change	
Regularly attends sporting events	
Owns / intends to buy VR products	
Social media influences music taste	
Regularly eats at upscale restaurants	
Age: 18-24	
Race / Ethnicity: Hispanic or Latino	
Social media influences food purchases	
Owns or plans to buy wireless speaker system	
Buys environmentally friendly products	
NBA fan	

Consumer attributes that are drivers of *under-indexing* as a Political Moderate

Drivers of Under-Indexing	Difference from Baseline
Expects U.S. Economy to get worse	
Manages money 'very well'	
Expects personal financial situation to get worse	
Follows markets and economy	
Favors locally owned establishments	
Price-conscious: Health and beauty products	
Price-conscious: Household products	
Race / Ethnicity: White	
Price-conscious: General	
Price-conscious: Electronics	
Expects it to get more difficult to find a new job	
Price-conscious: Food	
Price-conscious: Clothing / accessories	
Tells others about disappointing products	
HH Income: More than \$150k	
Thinks it's a bad time to make a major purchase	
Age: 65+	

Top metrics in the CivicScience Library on which Liberals and Conservatives differed in the month of October.

Question	Answer	Democrats	Republicans	Absolute Diff.
How concerned are you right now about the issue of illegal immigration in the US?	Very concerned	%	%	pp
Looking ahead six months, do you think the U.S. economy will get better, stay the same, or get worse?	Get worse	%	%	pp
How concerned are you right now about racial equity?	Not concerned at all	%	%	pp
How concerned are you right now about climate change and the environment?	Very concerned	%	%	pp
Which cable news network do you watch the most for national news?	Fox News	%	%	pp
In general, how much do you trust the Media?	Not at all	%	%	pp
How concerned are you right now about the US federal deficit?	Very concerned	%	%	pp
How much do you like Nike clothing?	I don't like them	%	%	pp
How concerned are you right now about taxes and government regulation?	Very concerned	%	%	pp
Do you believe the country is heading in the right direction or the wrong direction?	Wrong direction	%	%	pp

Note: Based on an analysis of 2,694 questions in the CivicScience syndicated library

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