

MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY
LAW SCHOOL POLL

June 13-19, 2025



The topics of the day

- Methodology of the poll
- Approval of Evers, 3rd term run, legislature & Supreme Court approval
- Views of Trump, policies
- State budget & policy
- Schools
- Measles vaccinations
- Water issues
- Local news sources

The methodology

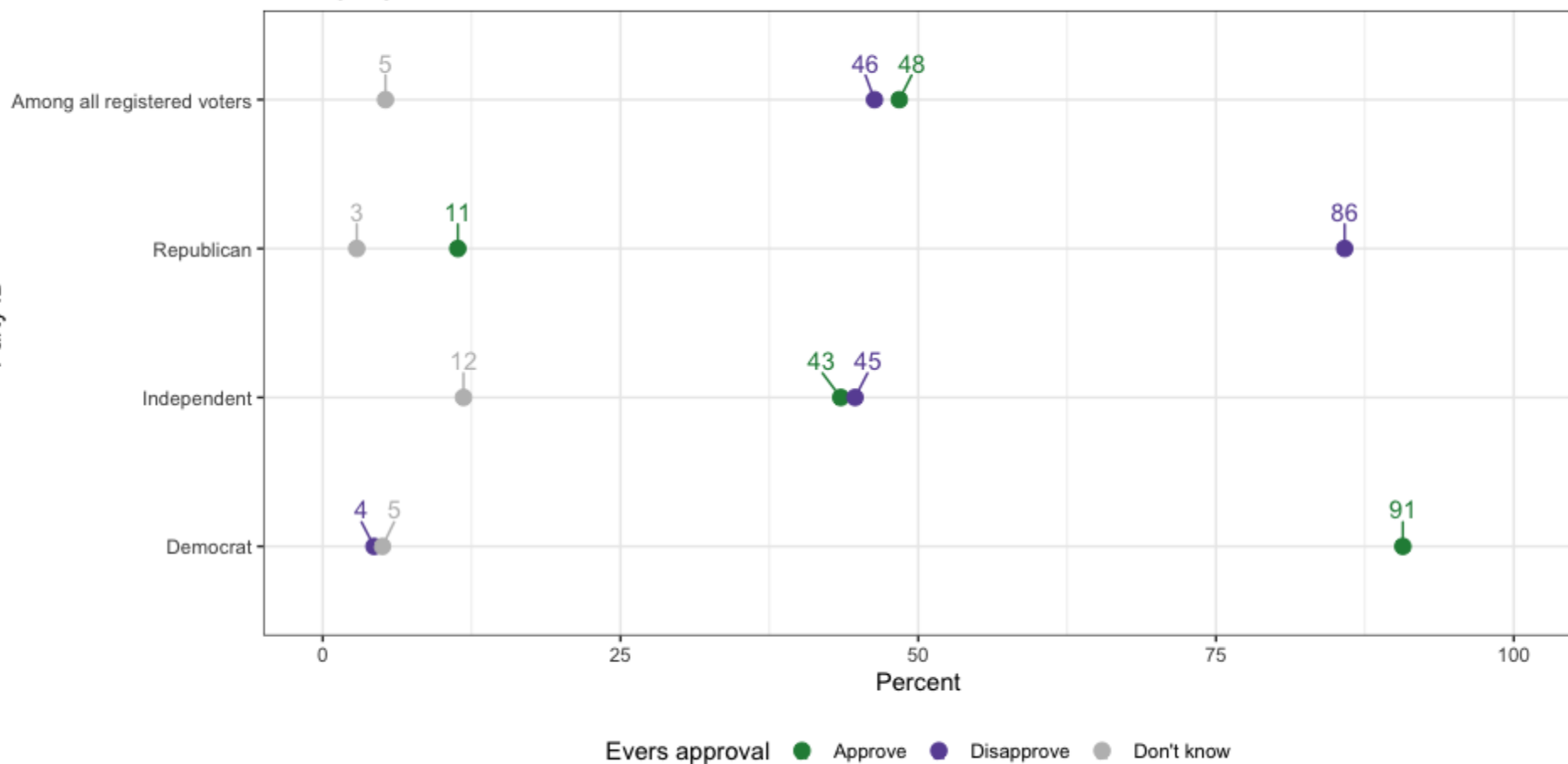
- The survey was conducted June 13-19, 2025, interviewing 873 Wisconsin registered voters, with a margin of error of ± 4.7 percentage points.
- A number of policy questions are asked of a random half-sample of 436 or 437 registered voters with a margin of error of ± 6.6 percentage points. Using a half sample allows us to double the number of policy topics covered in the poll.

Partisan makeup

- The partisan makeup of the sample is 36% Republican, 32% Democratic and 32% independent.
- When independents who lean to a party are counted as partisans the sample is 46% Republican, 42% Democratic and 12% independent.
- In all polls conducted in 2024, the combined samples were 33% Republican, 31% Democratic and 36% independent.
- Counting independents who lean to a party as partisans, the 2024 samples were 45% Republican, 42% Democratic and 12% independent.

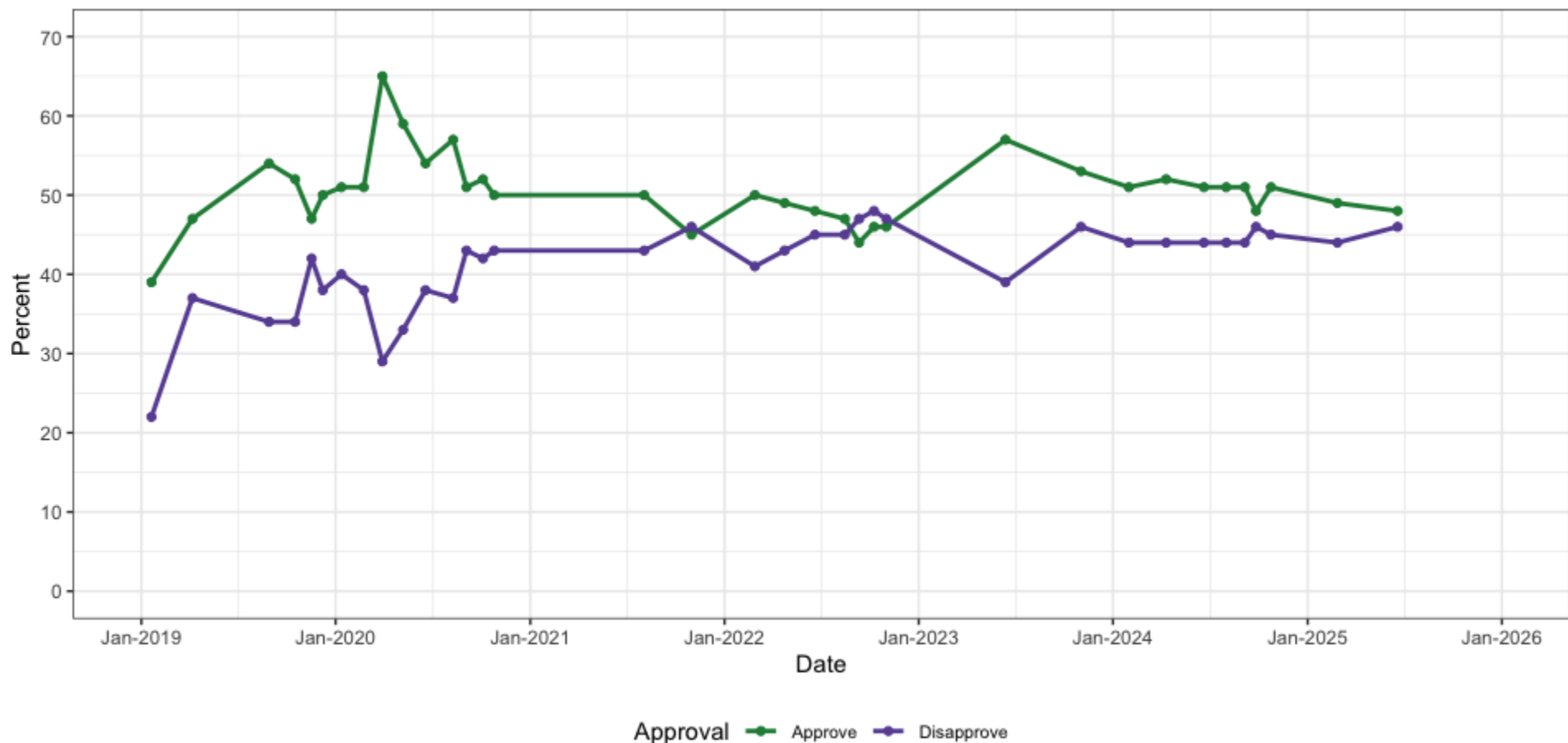
Evers approval by party identification

Among registered voters



Evers job approval trend

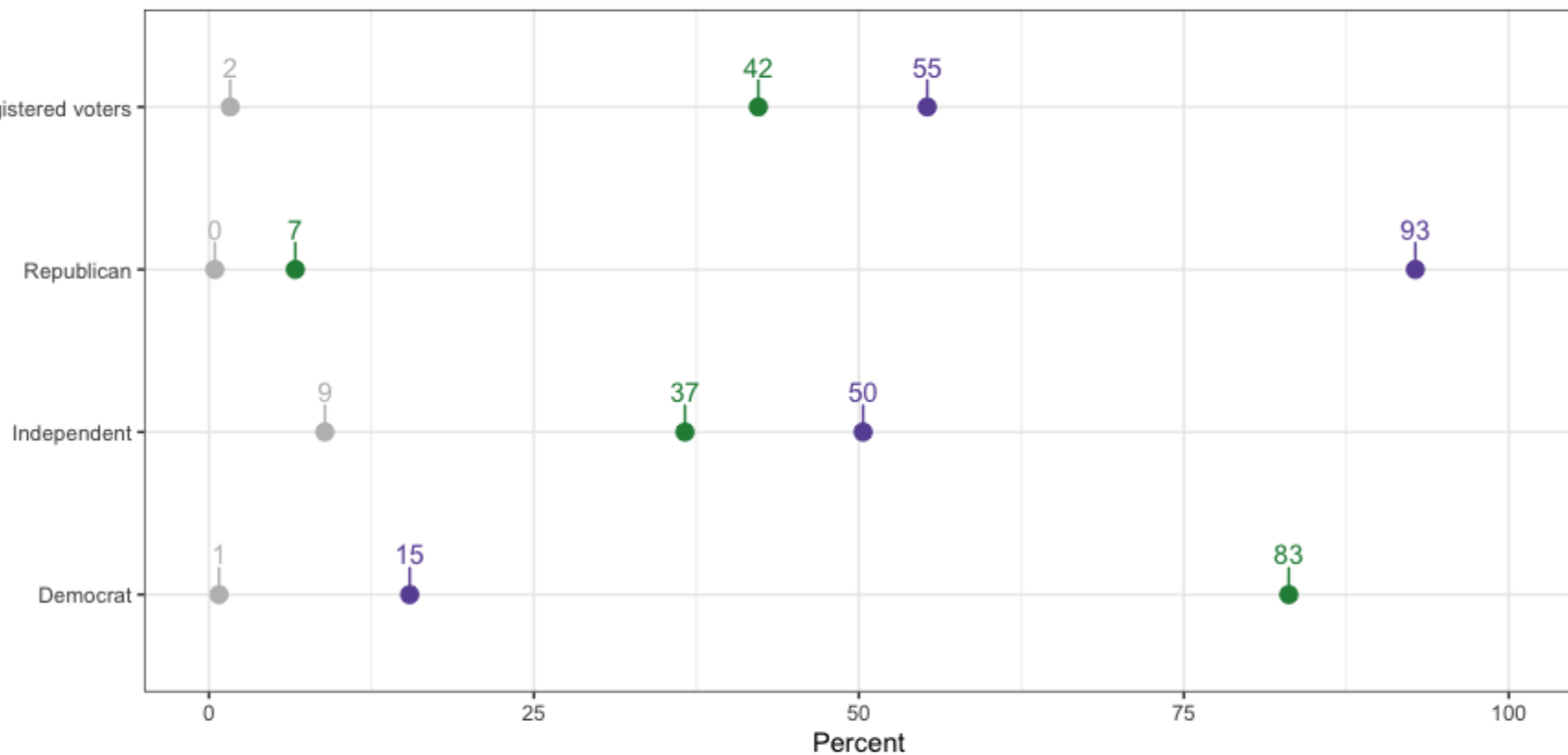
Among Wisconsin registered voters



Evers run again by party identification

Among registered voters

Party ID

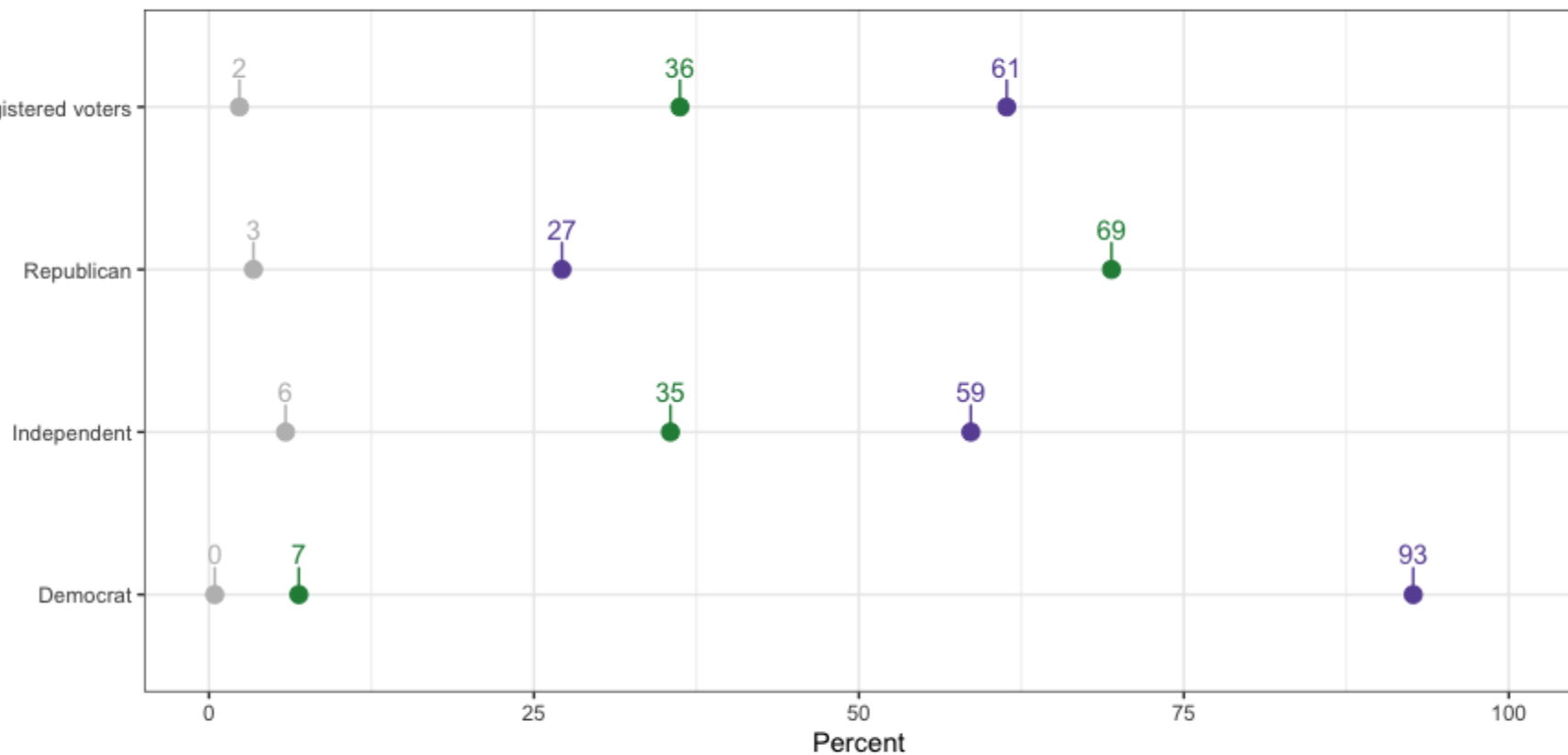


Evers run again ● Yes ● No ● Don't know

Walker run again by party identification

Among registered voters

Party ID

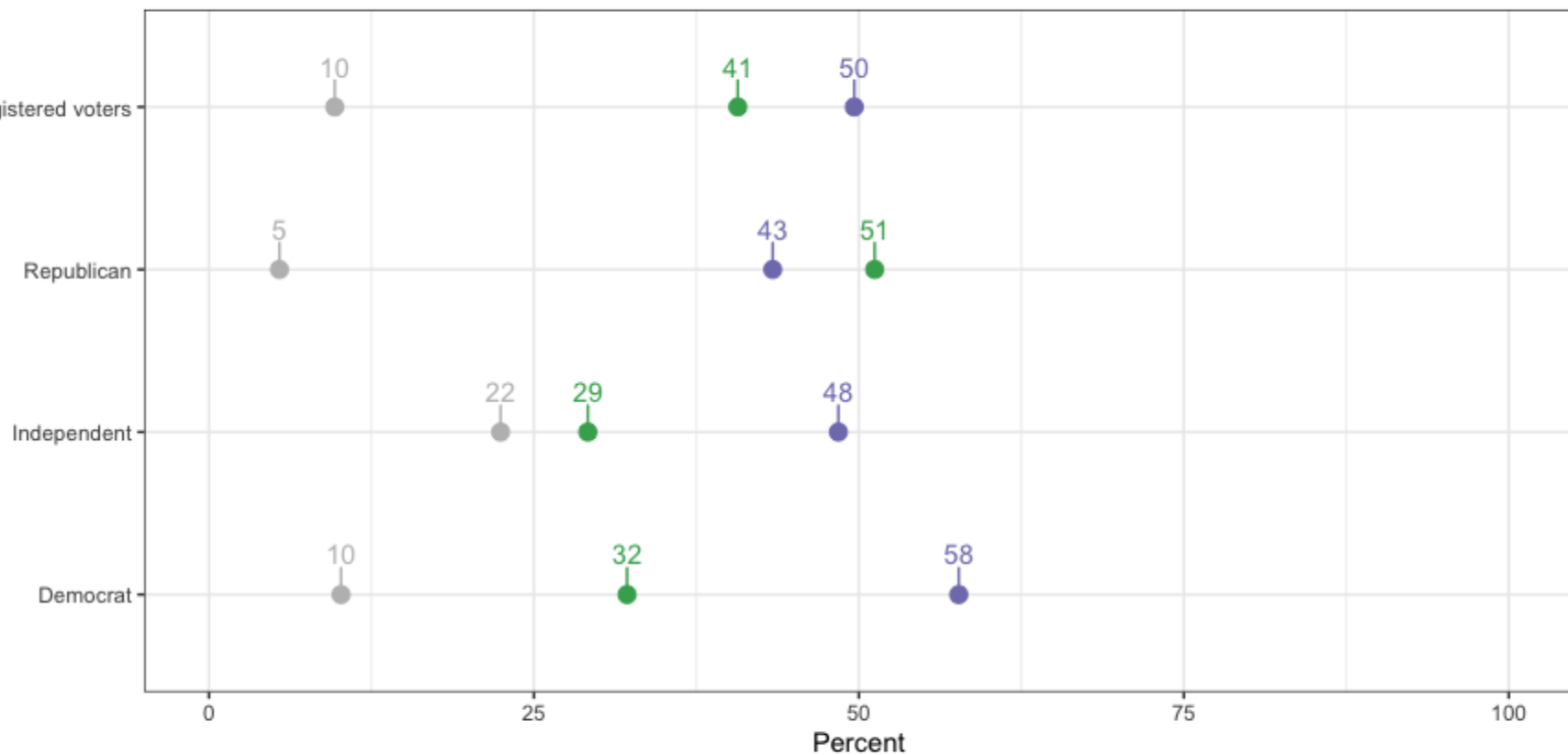


Walker run again ● Yes ● No ● Don't know

Legislature approval by party identification

Among registered voters

Party ID

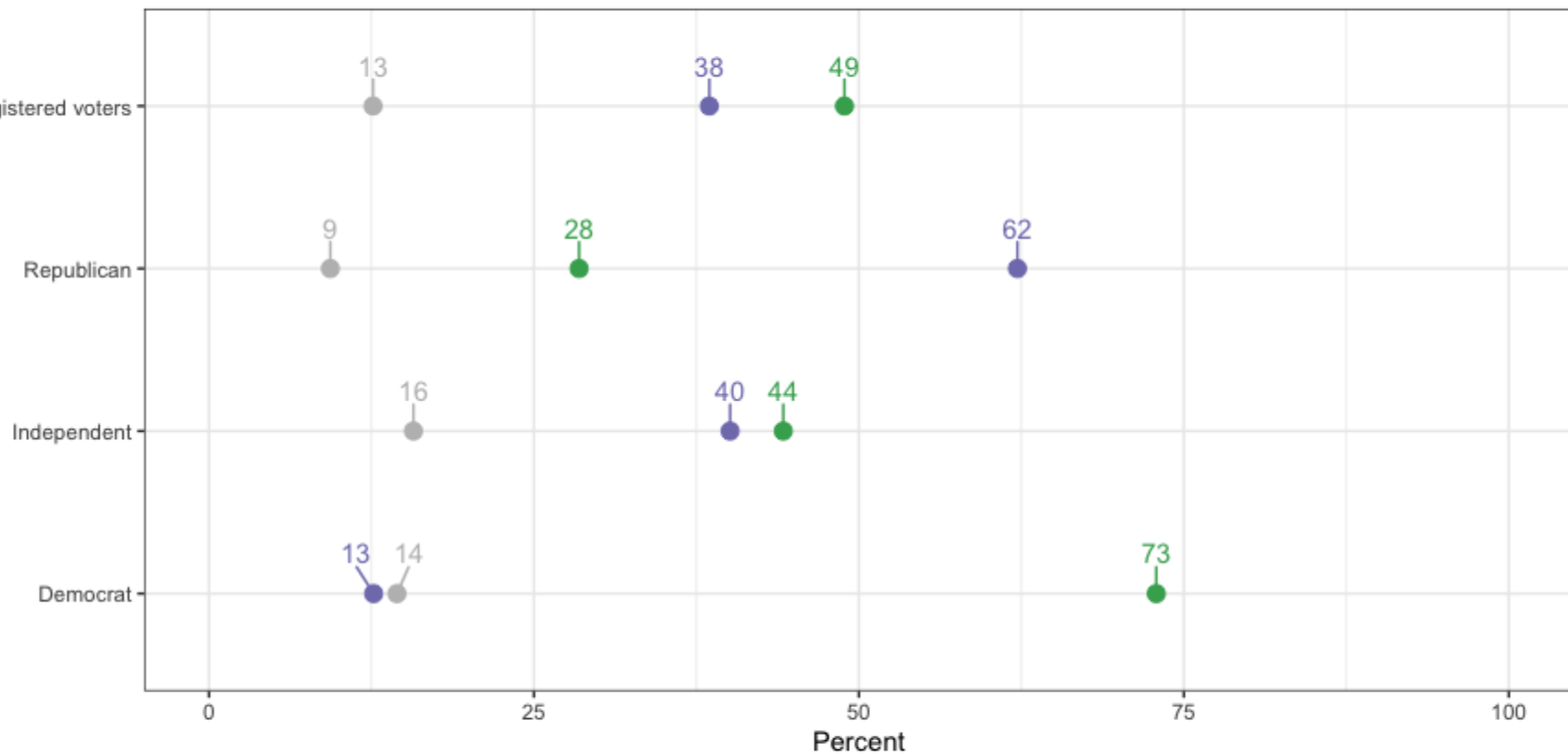


Legislature approval ● Approve ● Disapprove ● Don't know

Wisconsin Supreme Court approval by party identification

Among registered voters

Party ID

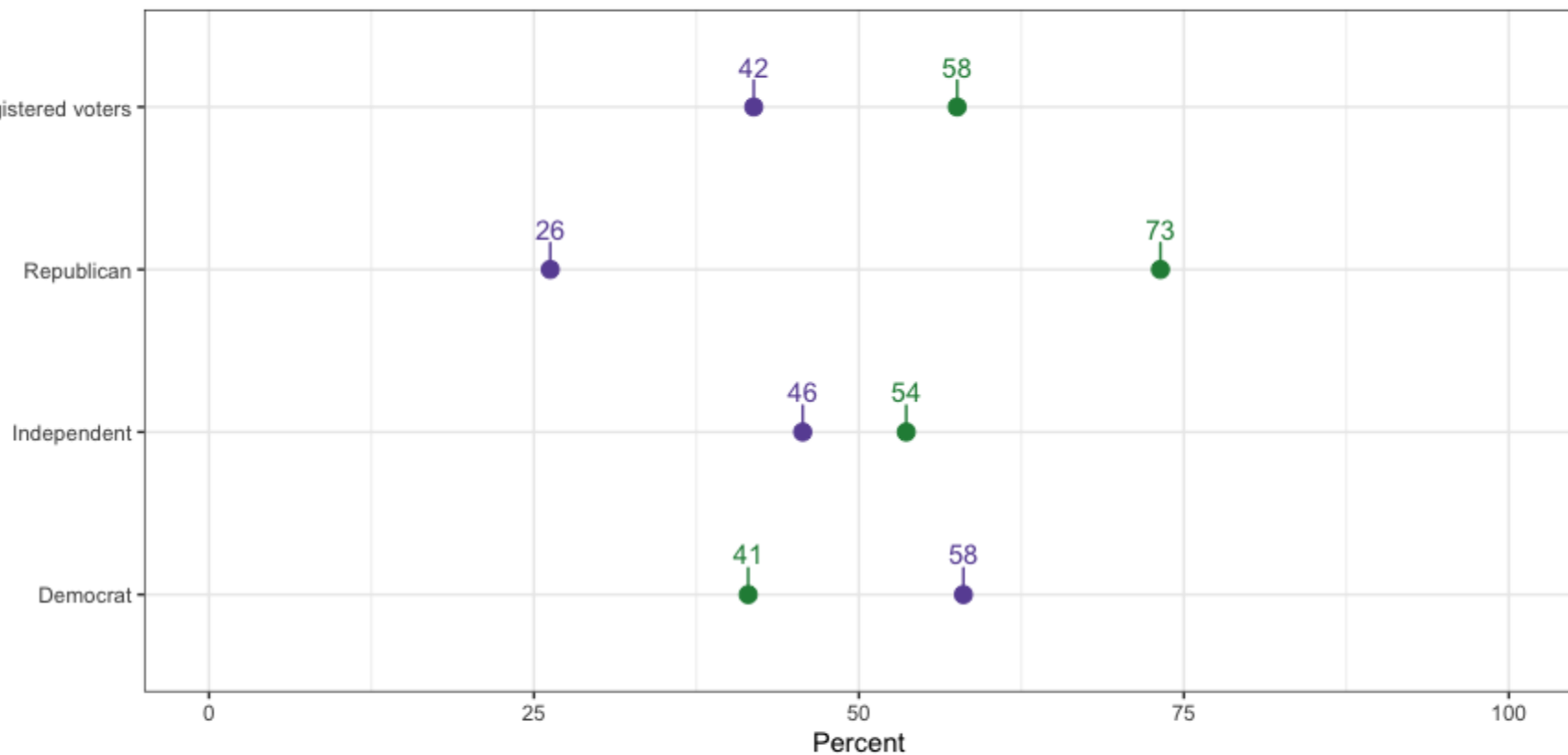


Wisc. Supreme Court approval ● Approve ● Disapprove ● Don't know

Make Supreme Court elections partisan by party identification

Among registered voters

Party ID

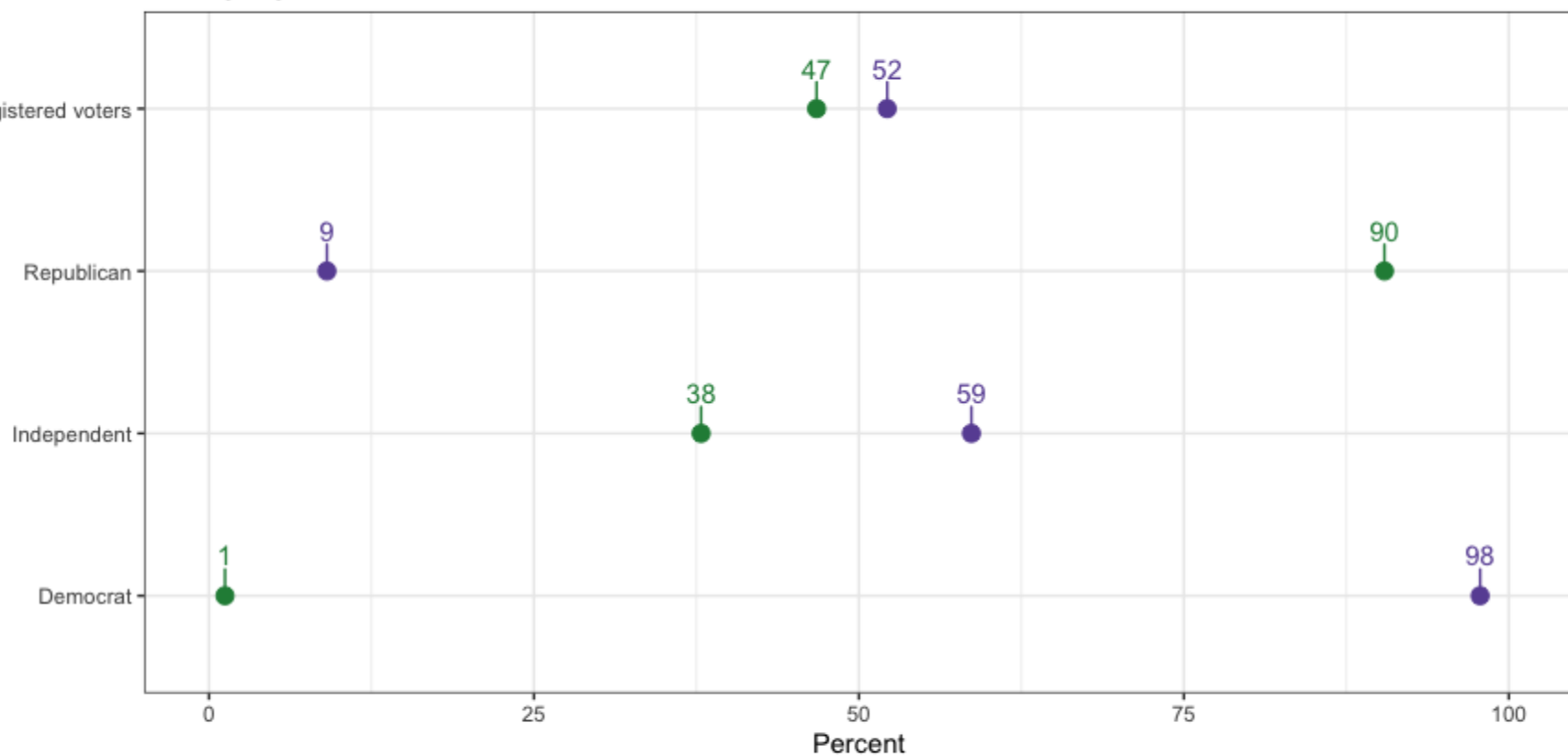


Partisan or non-partisan court elections ● Have partisan election ● Keep non-partisan elections

Trump approval by party identification

Among registered voters

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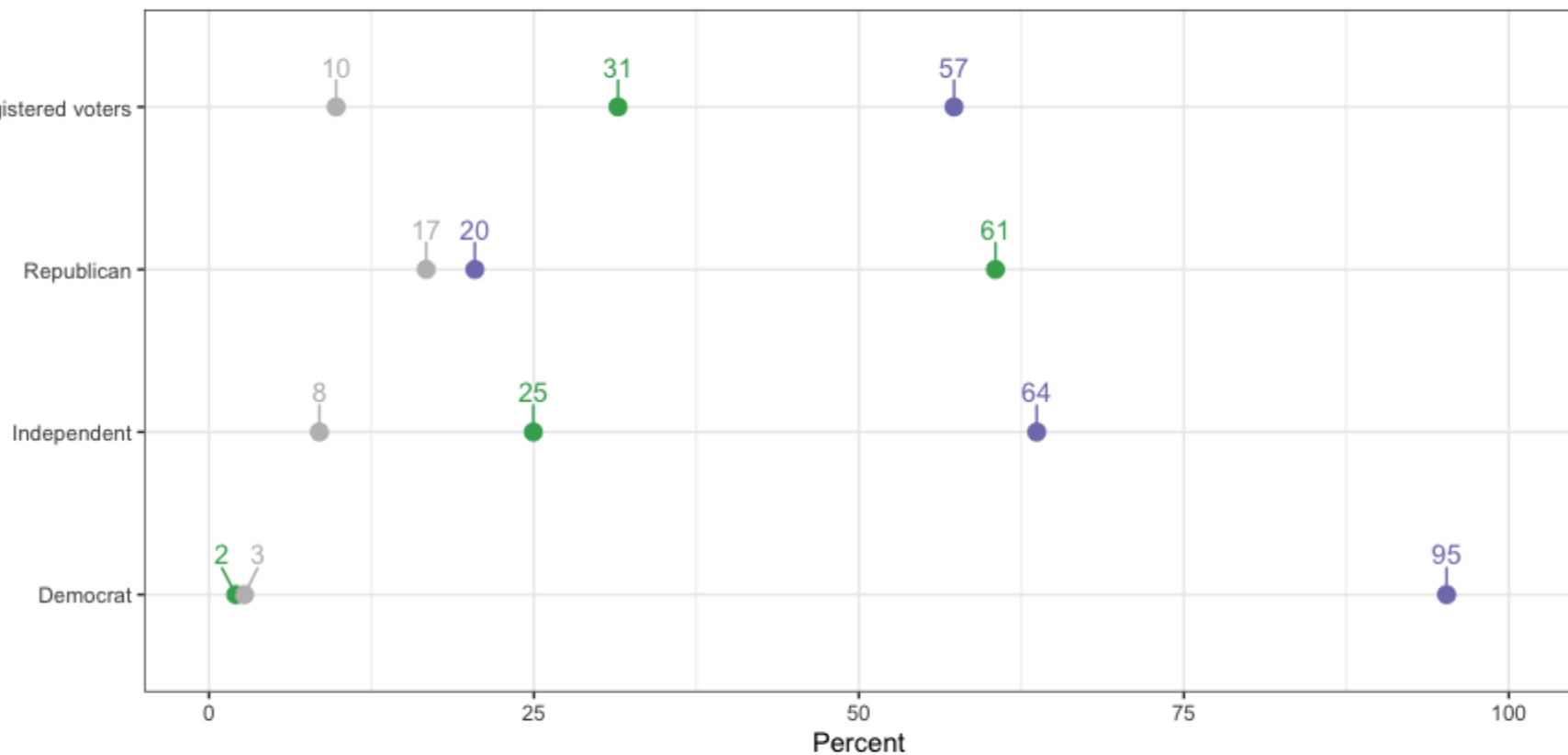


Approval ● Approve ● Disapprove

Do tariffs help or hurt the economy by party identification

Among registered voters

Party ID

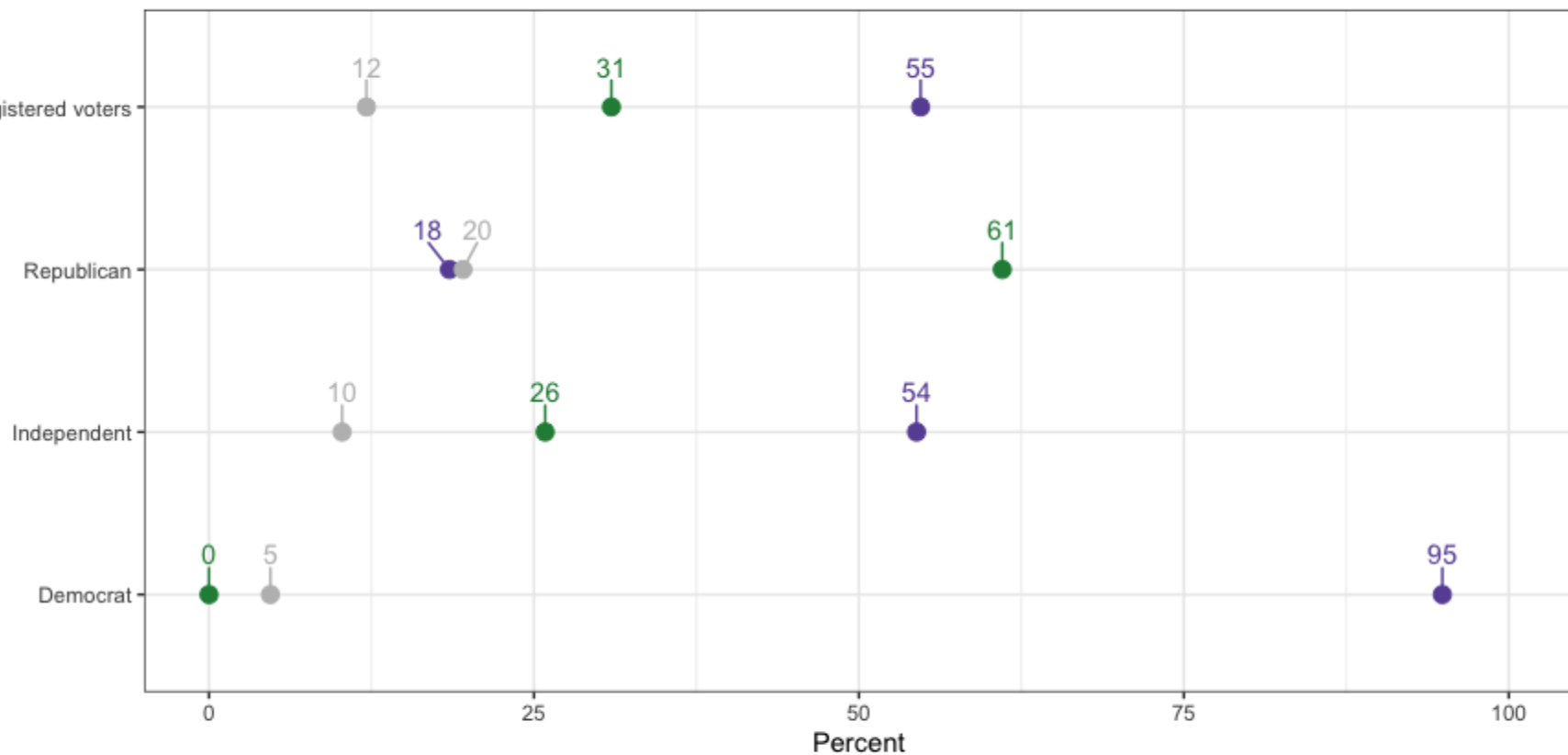


Help or hurt ● Helps US economy ● Hurts US economy ● Doesn't make much difference

Will Trump policies reduce inflation by party identification

Among registered voters

Party ID



Policies effect on inflation

● Decrease inflation

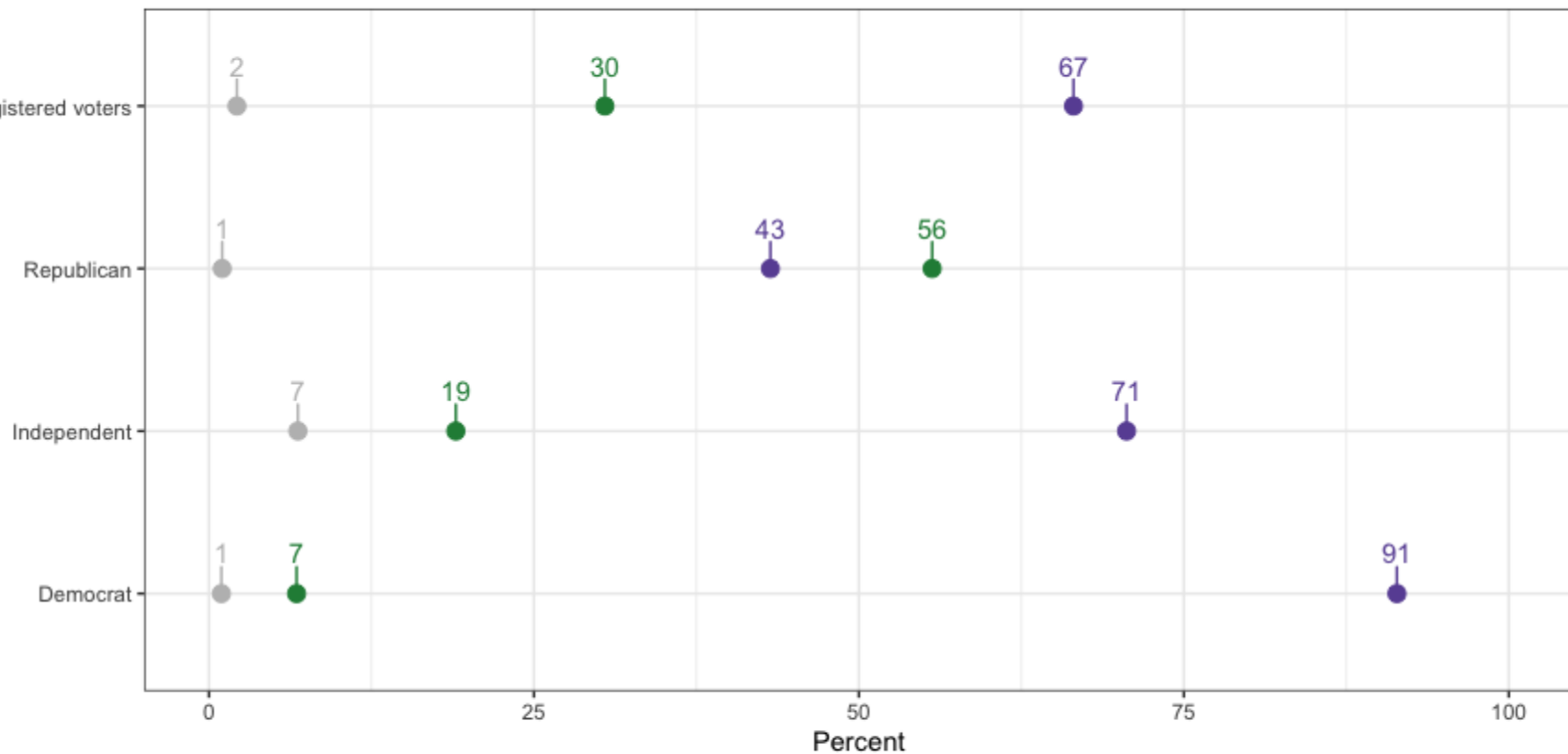
● Increase inflation

● Have no effect on inflation

Will budget reduce federal deficit by party identification

Among registered voters

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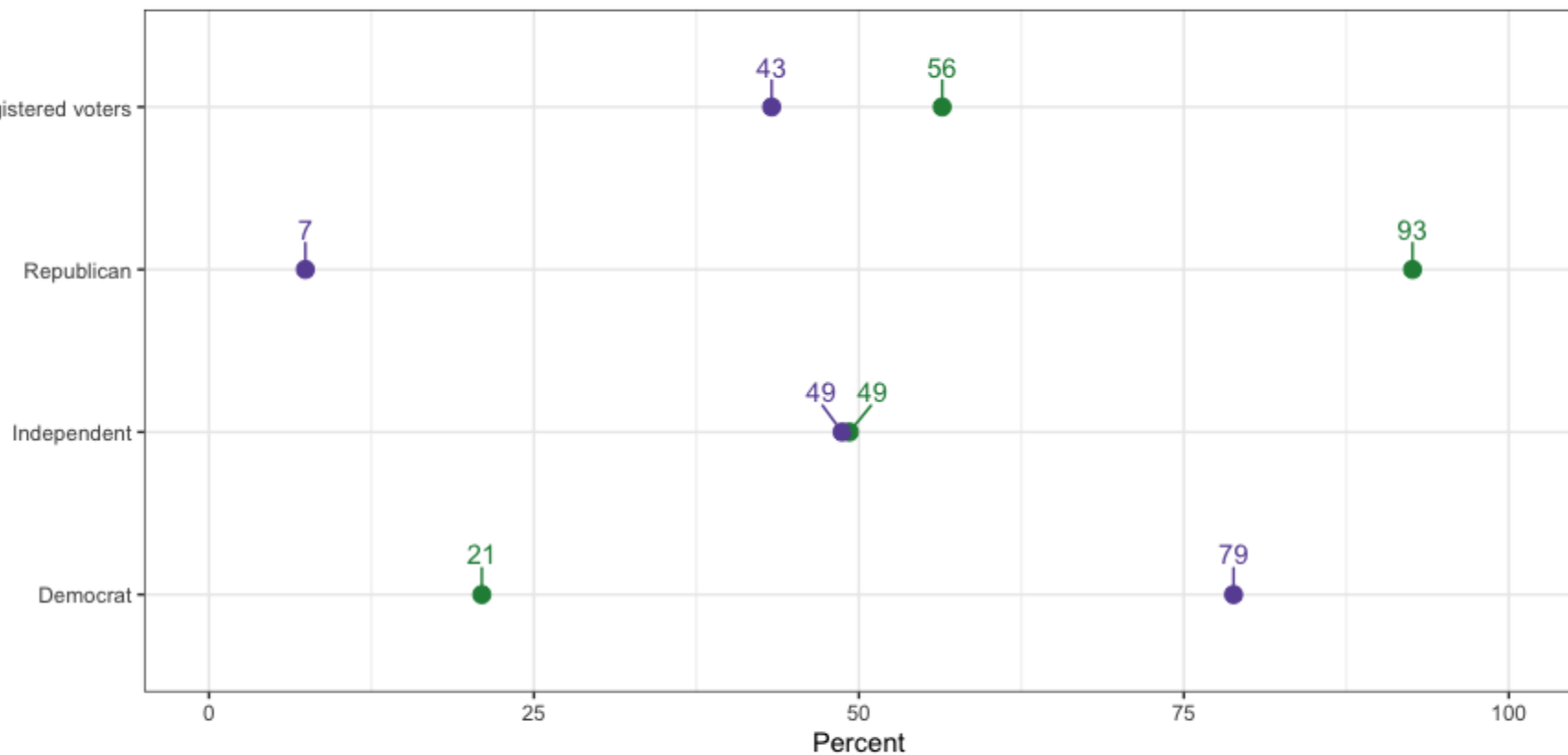


Effect of deficit ● Reducing the deficit ● Increasing the deficit ● Don't know

Deport immigrants in U.S. illegally by party identification

Among registered voters

Party ID

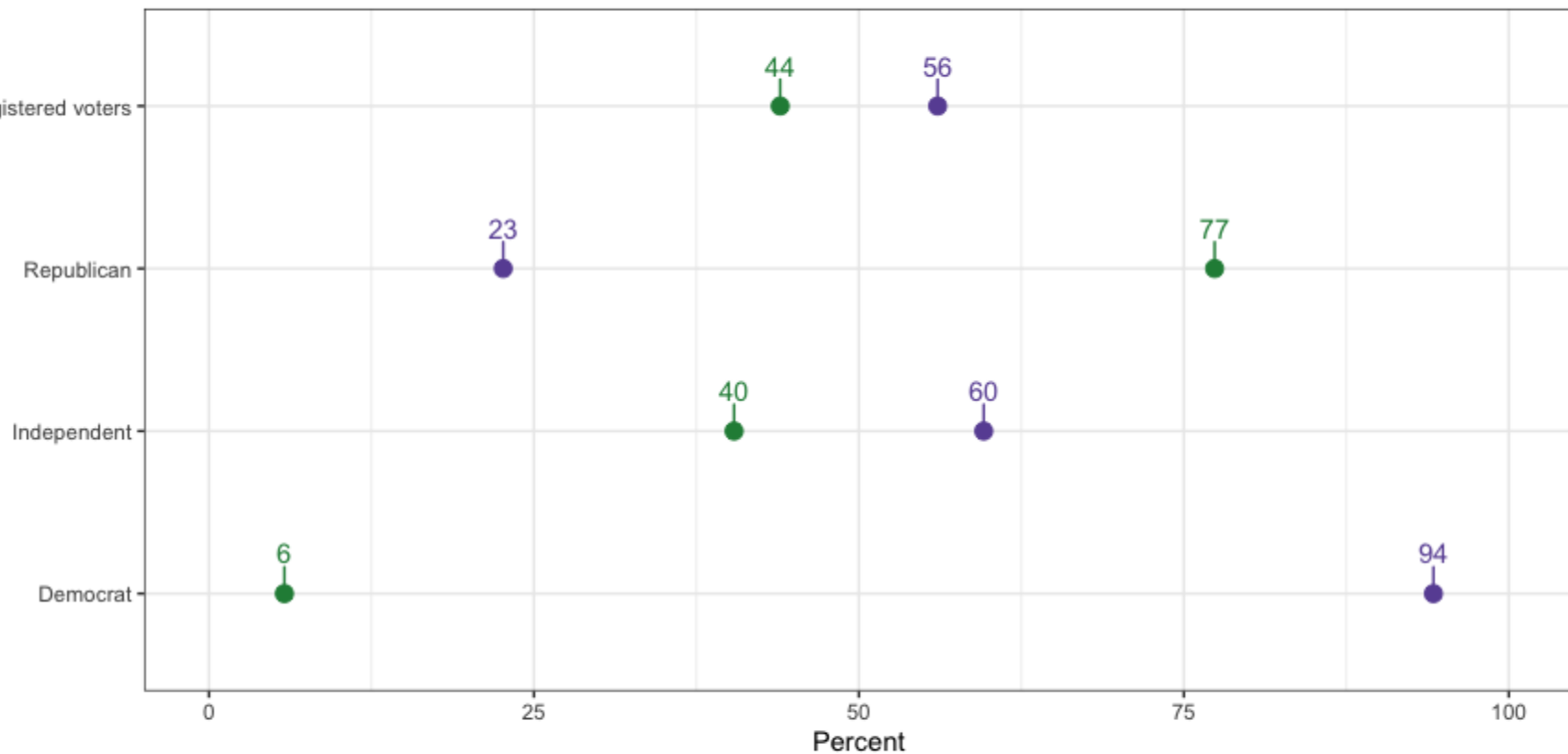


Favor or oppose ● Favor ● Oppose

Deport including long term and no criminal record by party identification

Among registered voters

Party ID

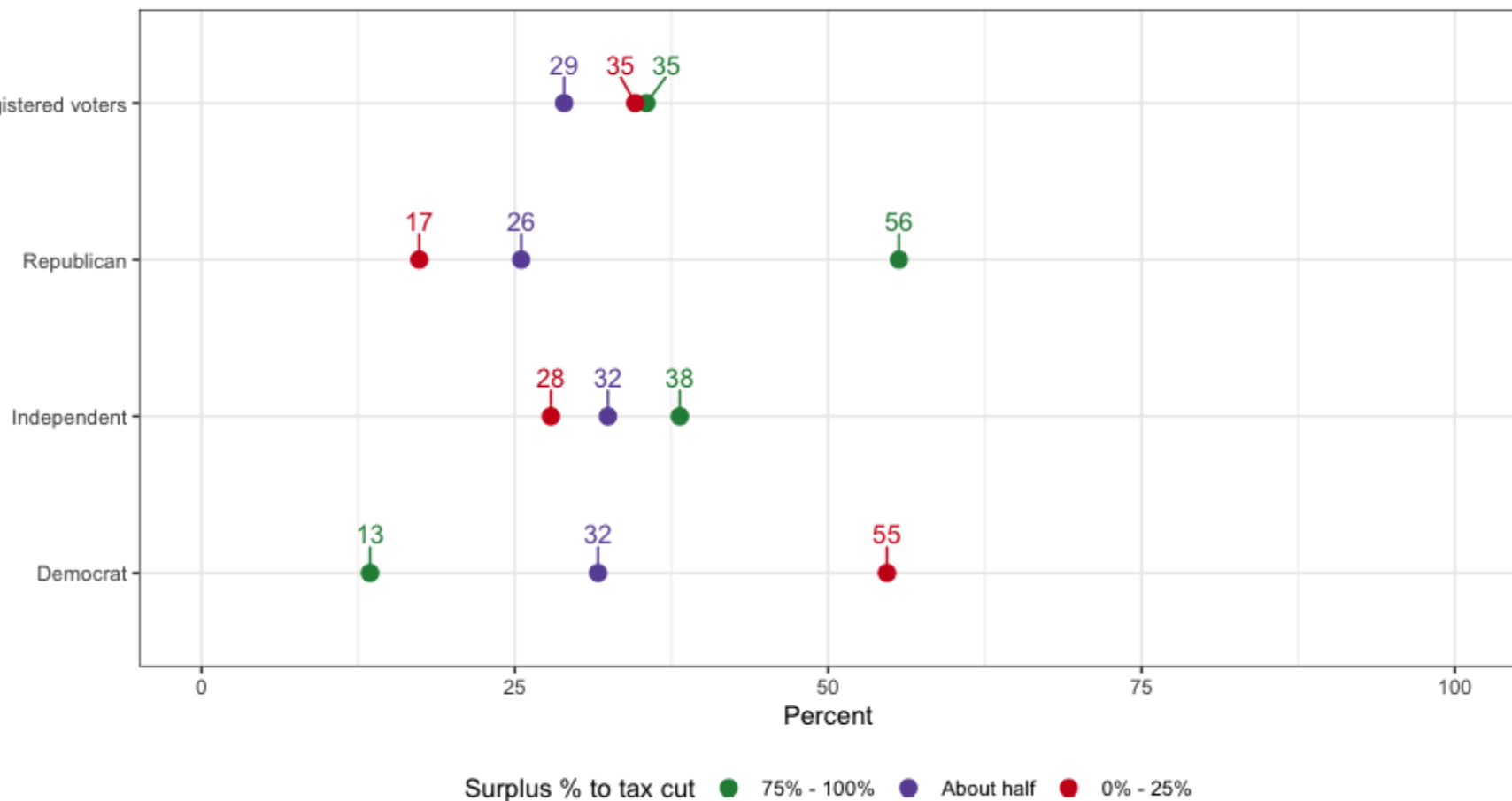


Favor or oppose ● Favor ● Oppose

How much of surplus for tax cut by party identification

Among registered voters

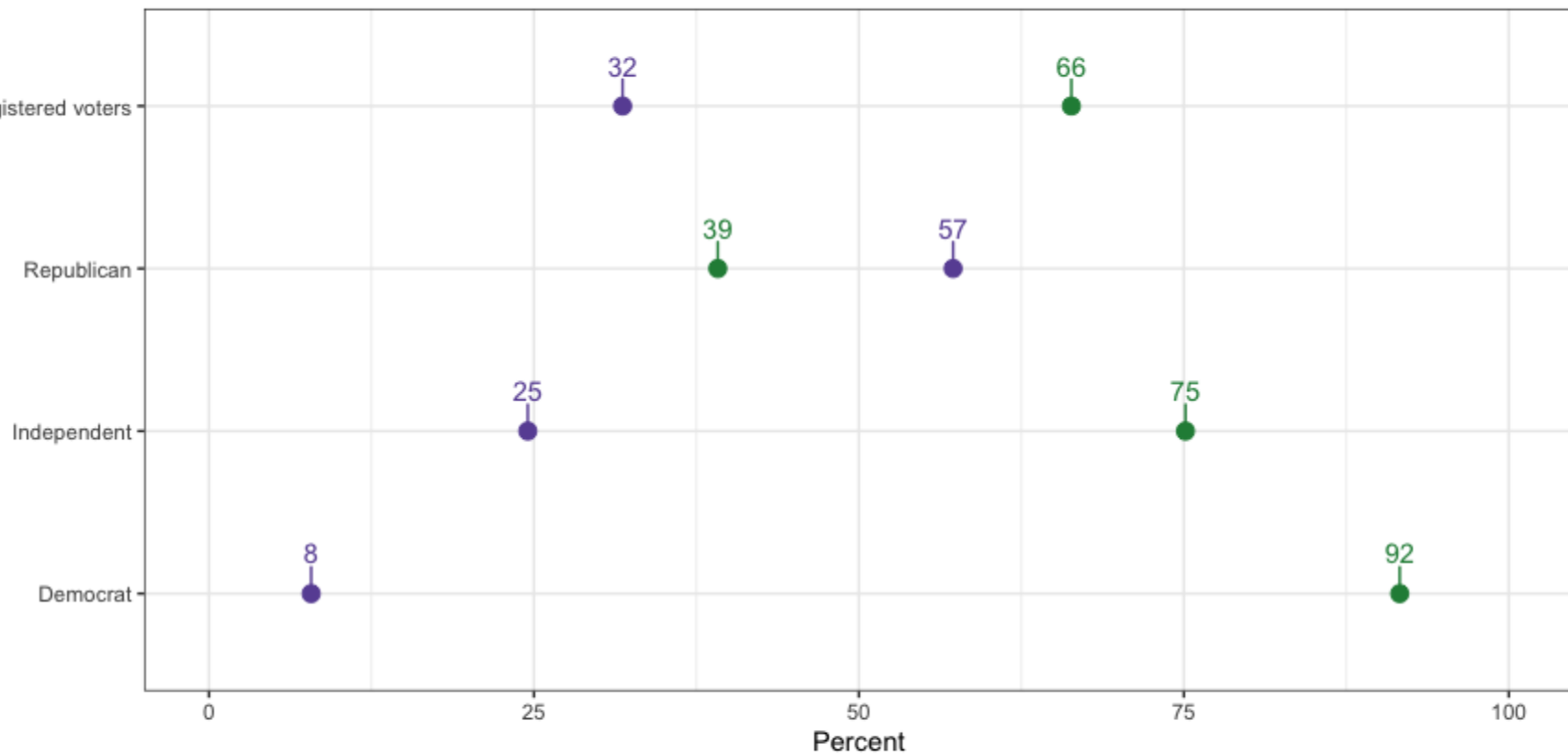
Party ID



Extend Medicaid for new mothers by party identification

Among registered voters

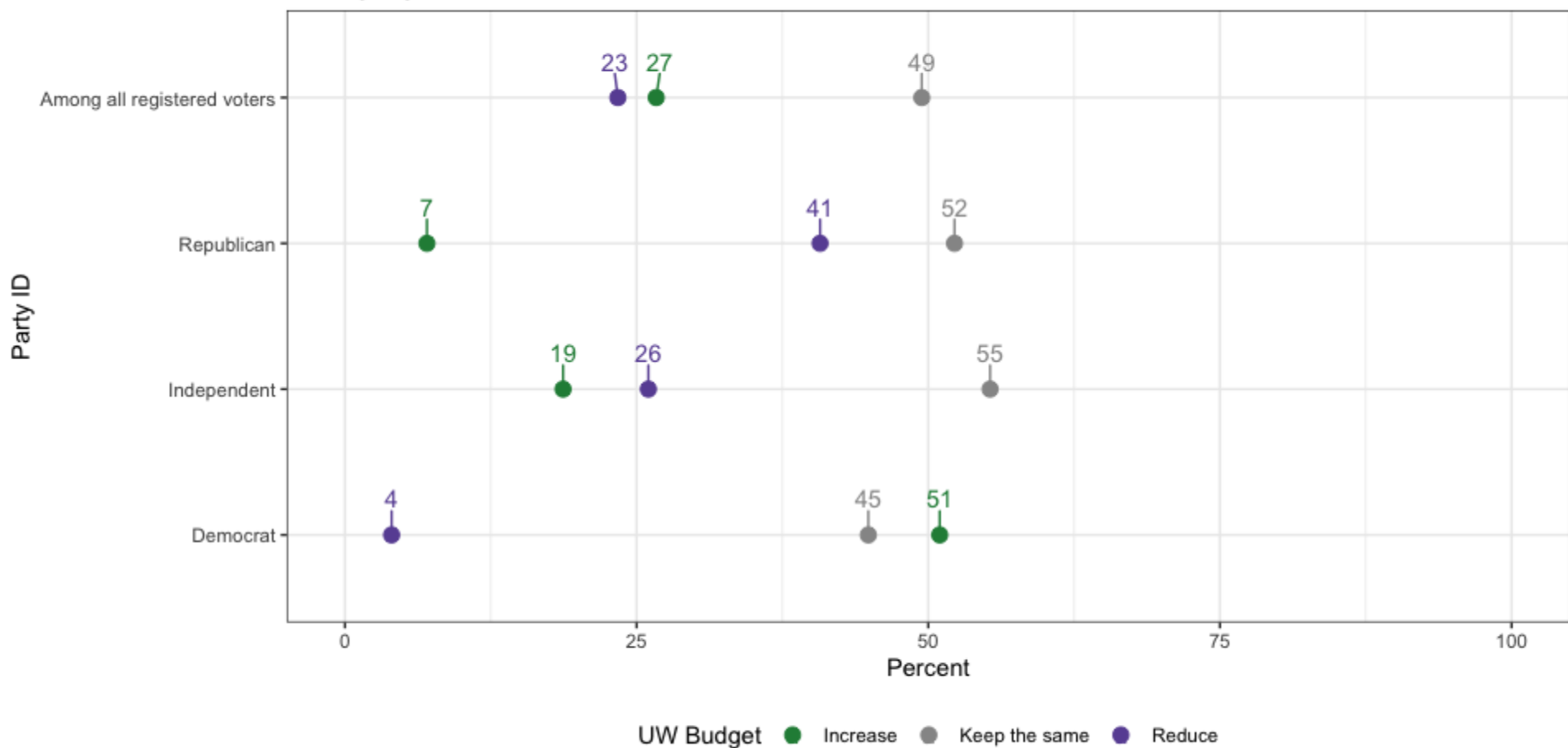
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Extend Medicaid for new mothers ● Favor ● Oppose

UW budget increase by party identification

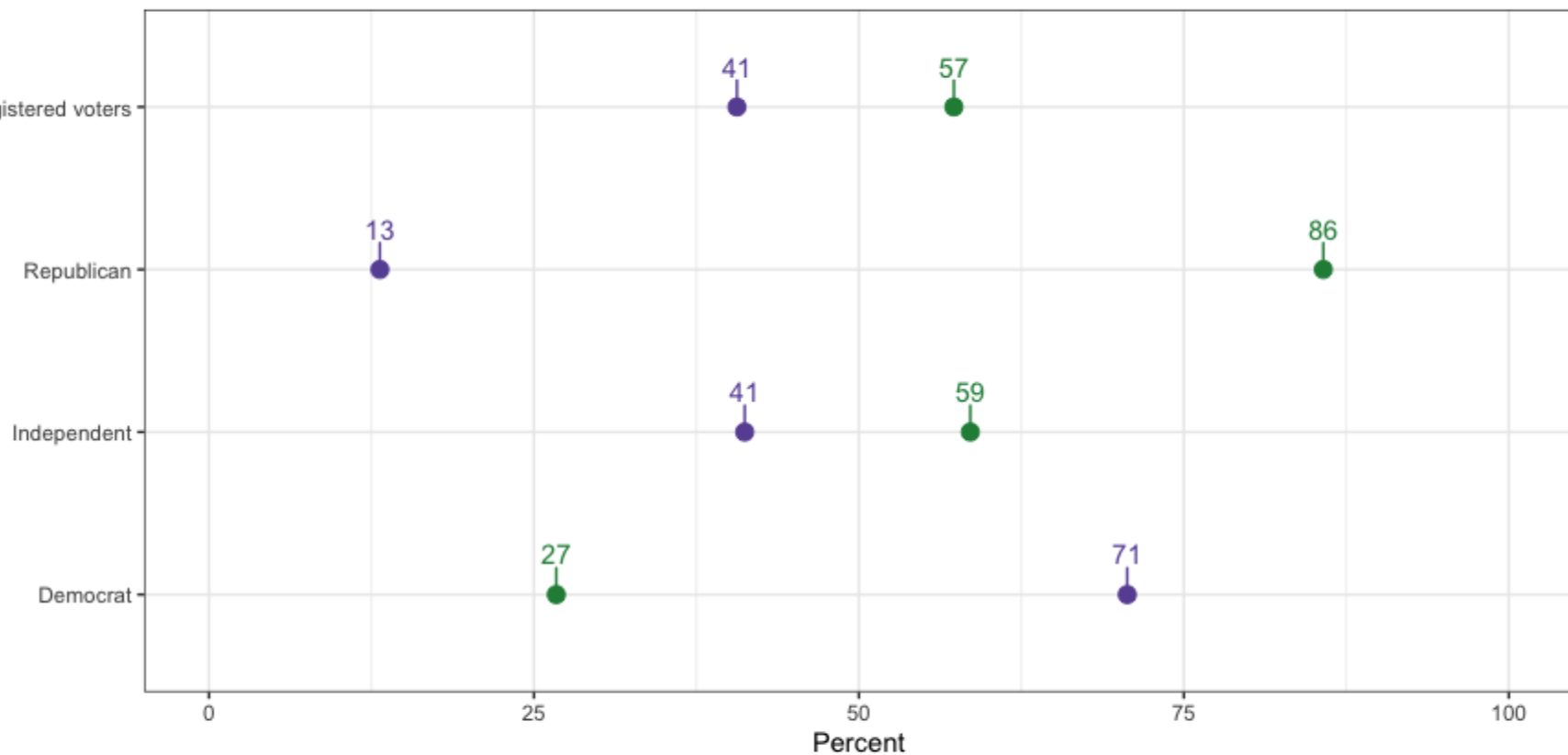
Among registered voters



UW live with current funding by party identification

Among registered voters

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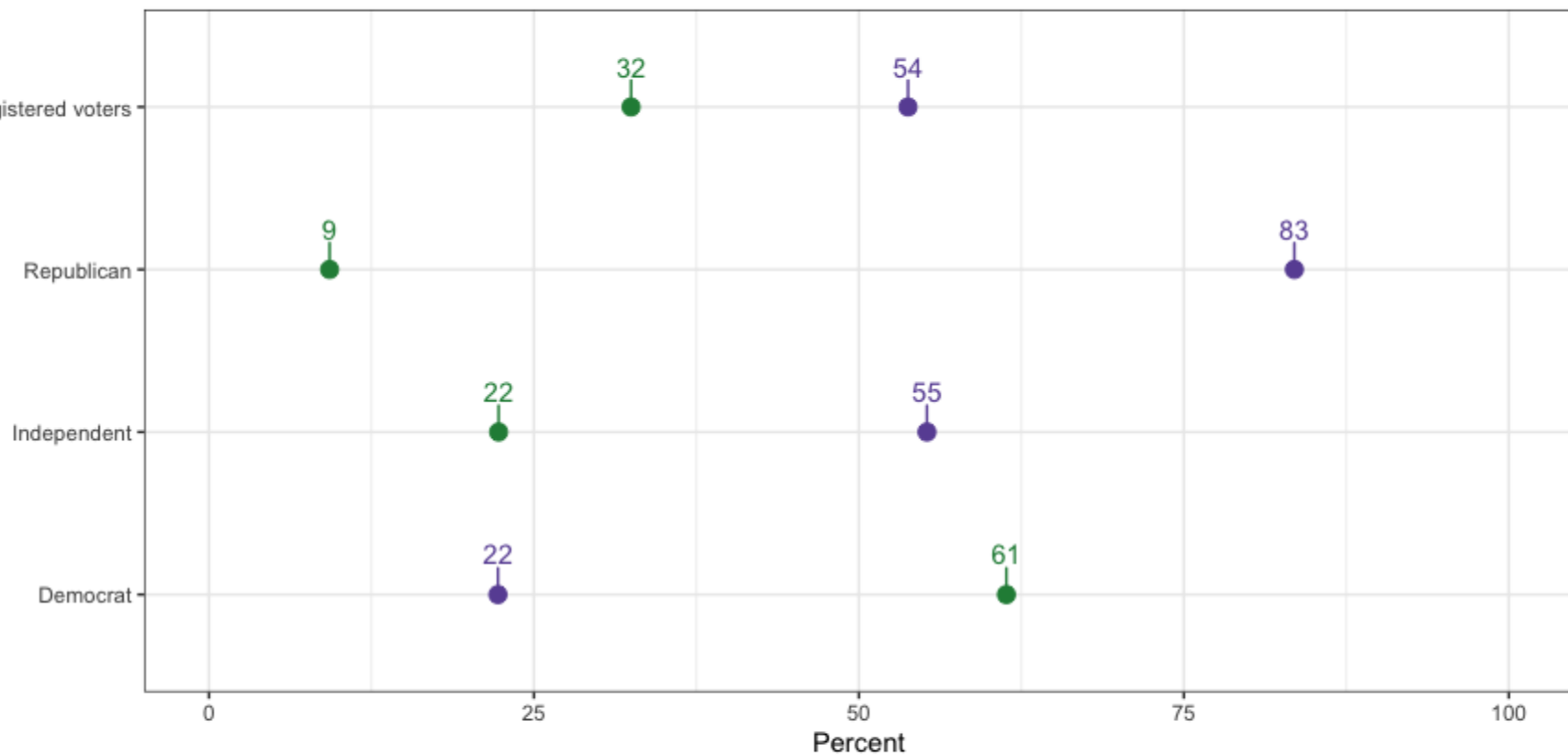


UW live with limits ● Have to adjust to current support ● State funding should be increased

Partial veto by party identification

Among registered voters

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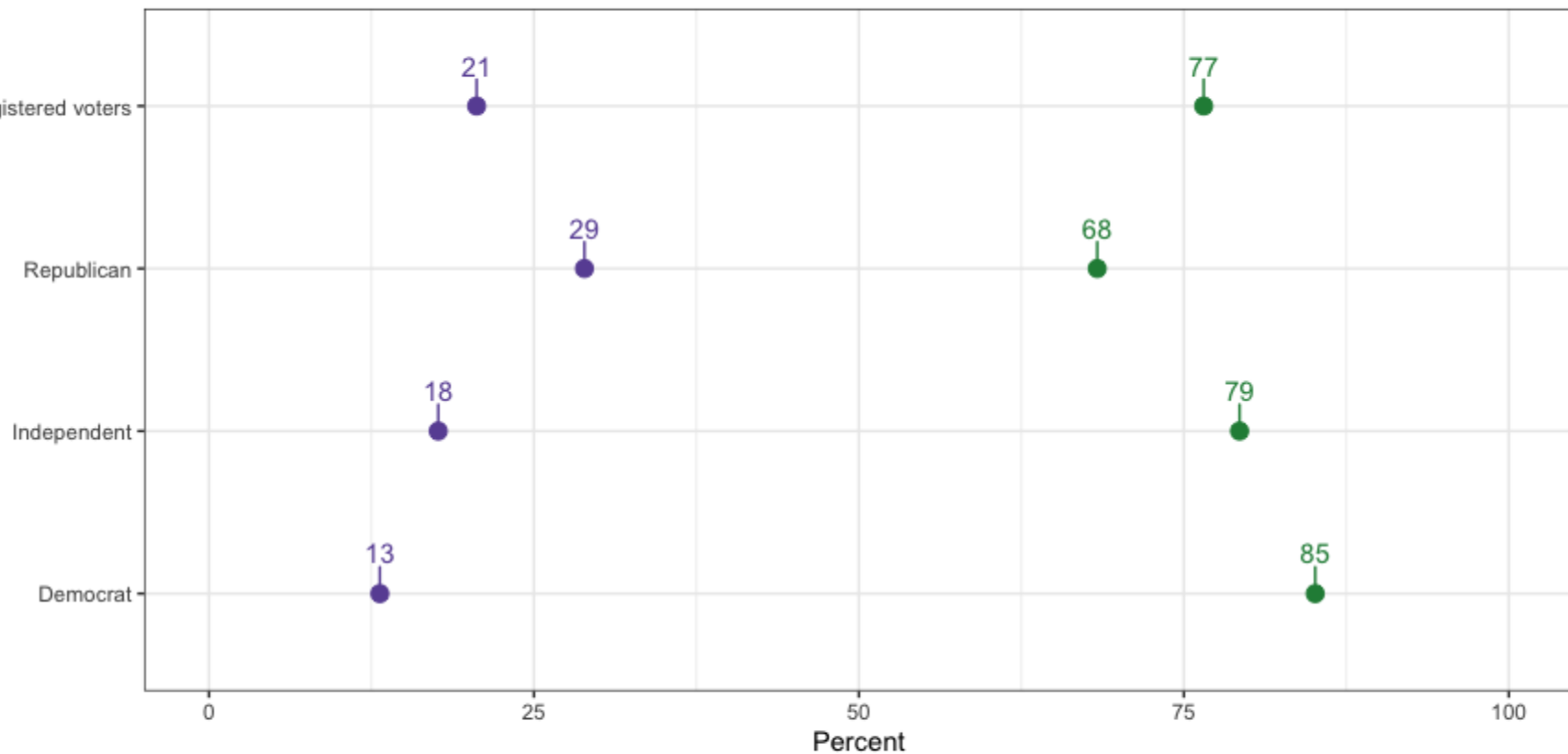


Partial veto ● Appropriate power ● Gives too much power

Citizens' initiative by party identification

Among registered voters

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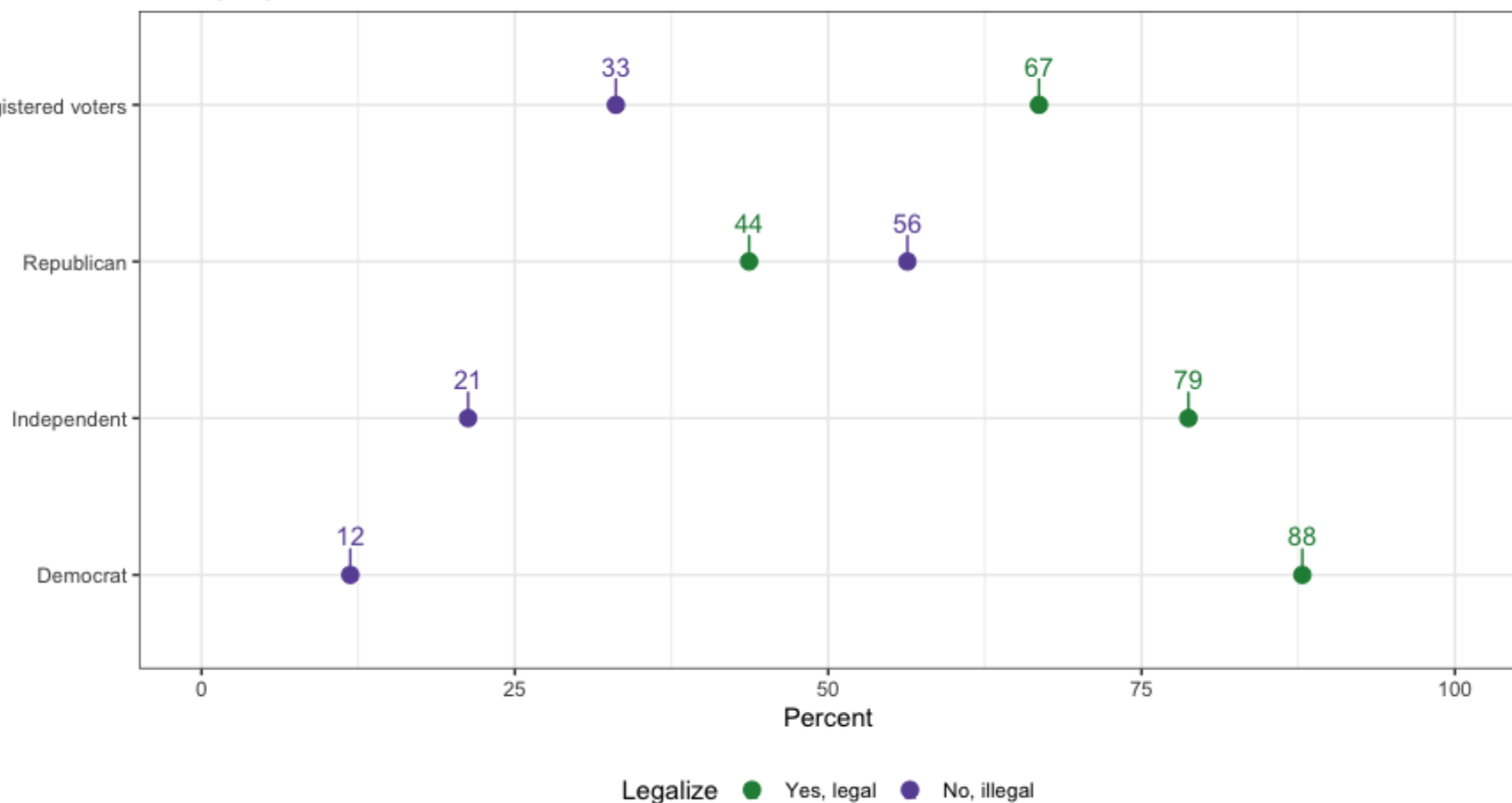


Initiative ● Should adopt initiative ● Should not adopt initiative

Legalize marijuana by party identification

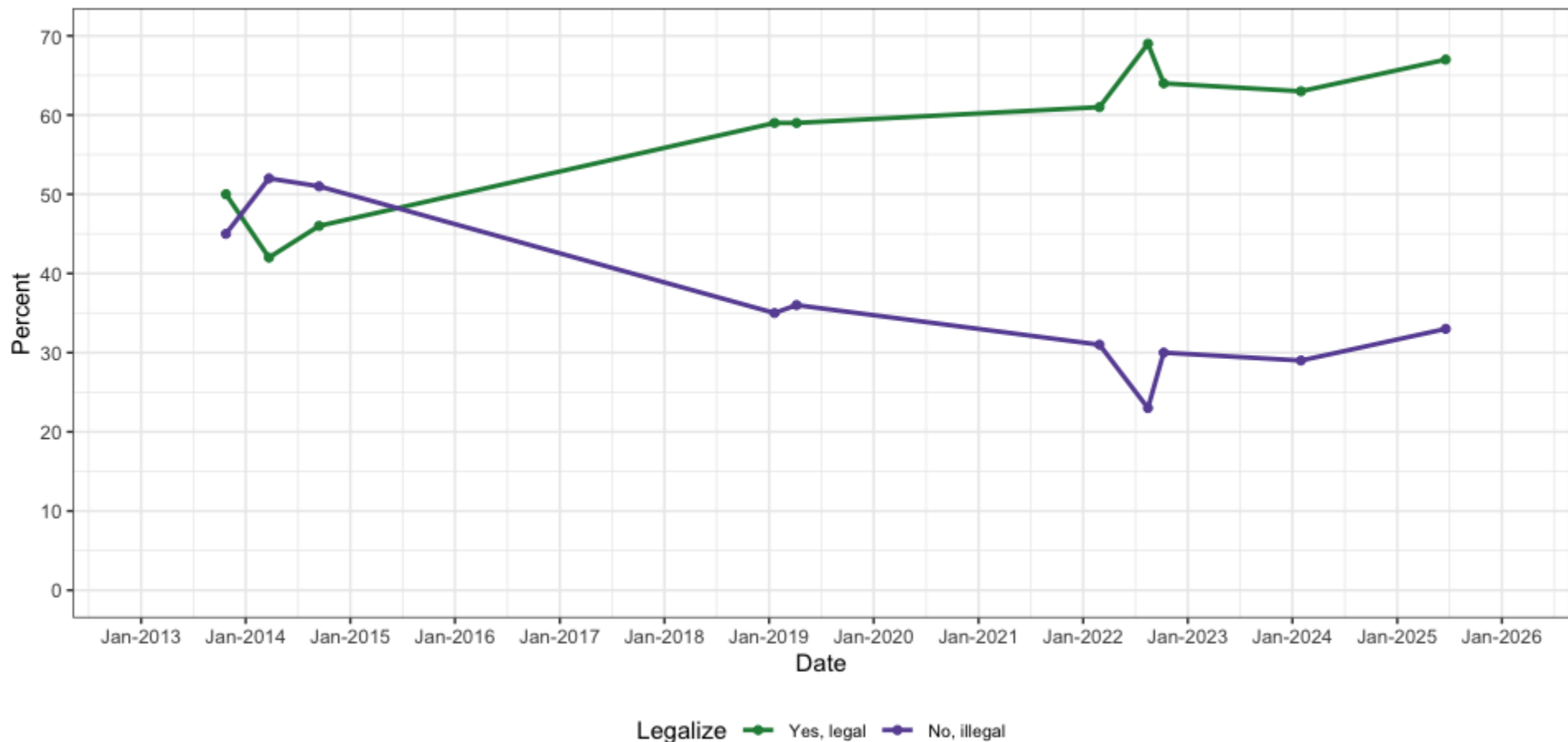
Among registered voters

Party ID



Legalize marijuana trend

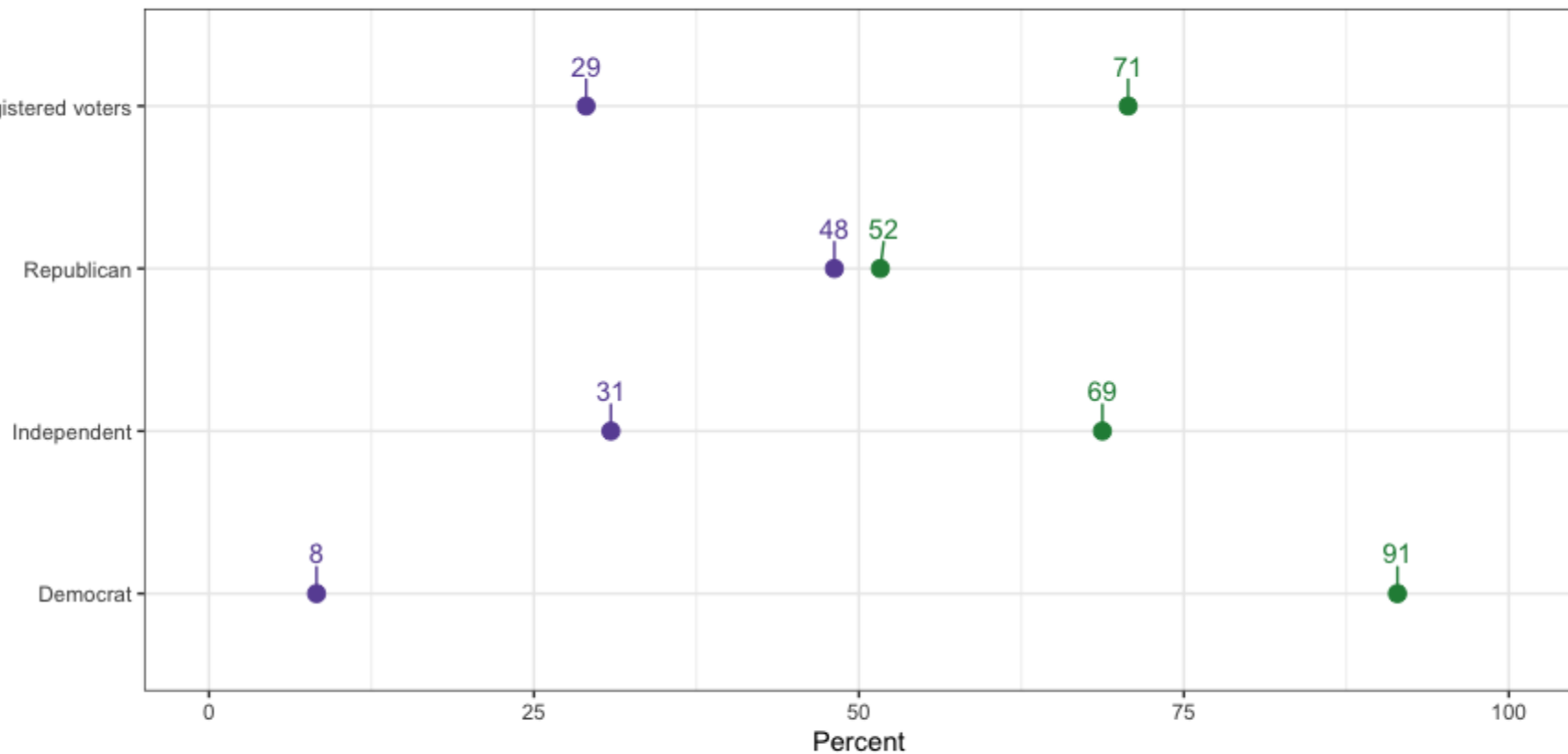
Among Wisconsin registered voters



Major increase for special education by party identification

Among registered voters

Party ID

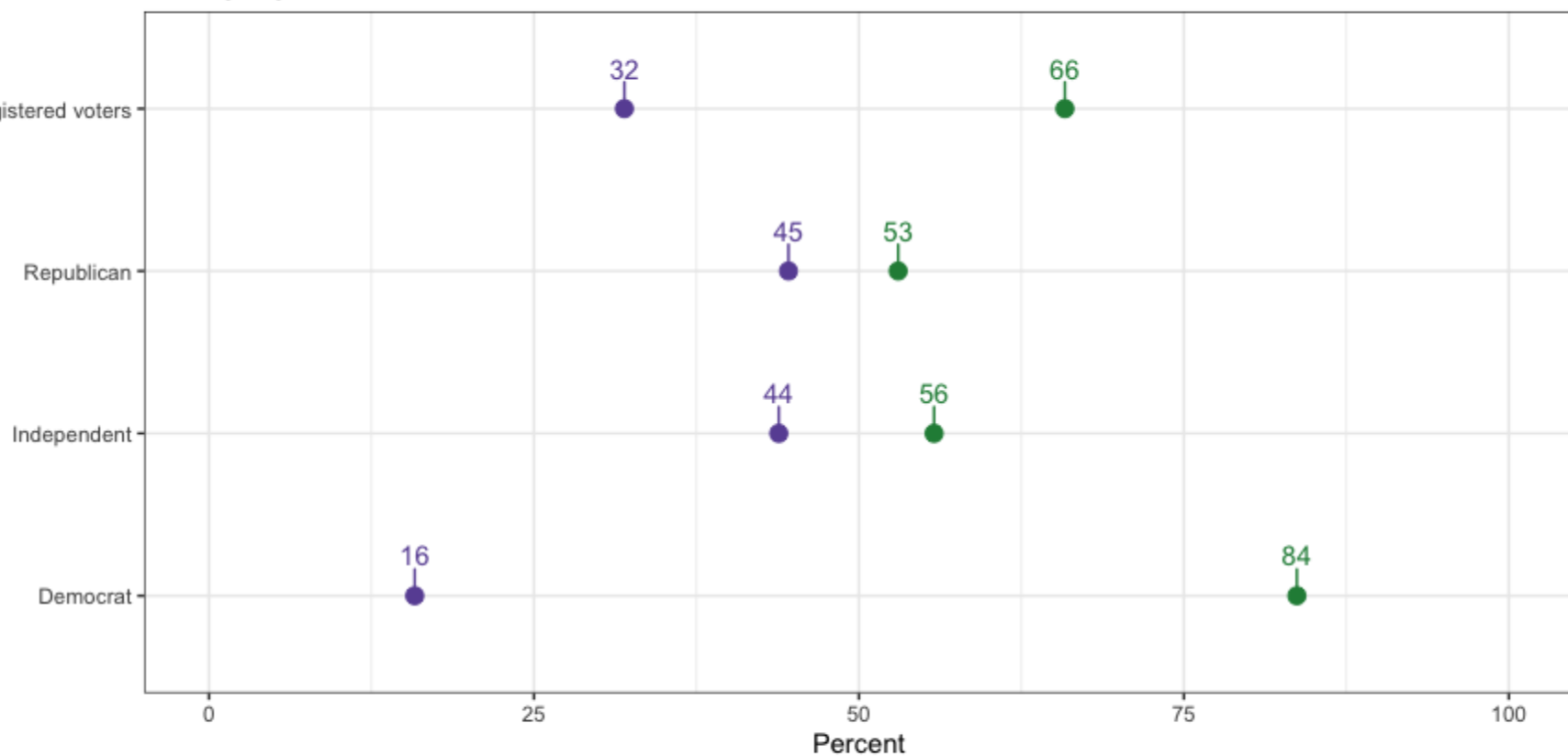


Increase special education \$ ● Support ● Oppose

State cover 60% of special education cost by party identification

Among registered voters

Party ID

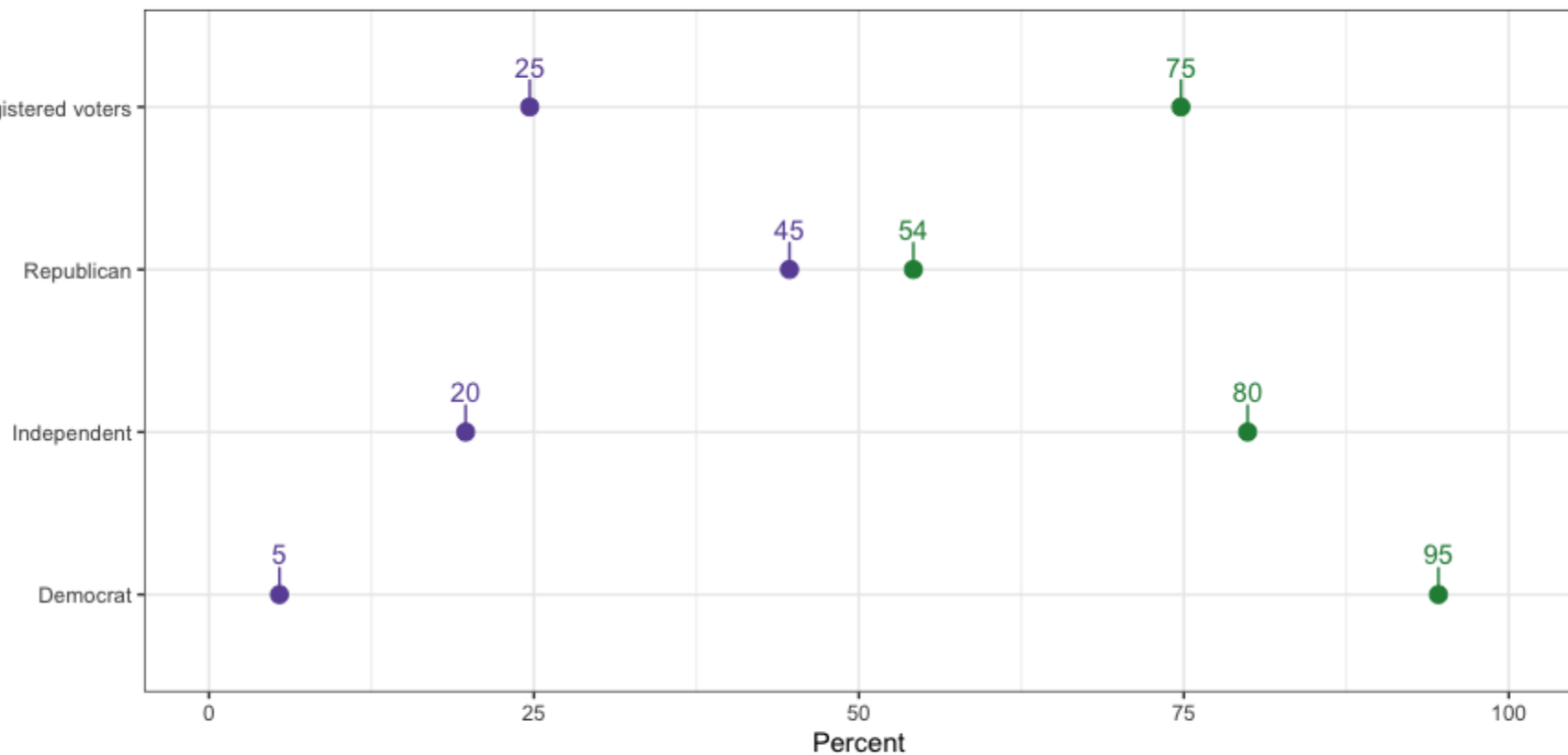


Cover 60% ● Favor ● Oppose

Mental health services in schools by party identification

Among registered voters

Party ID

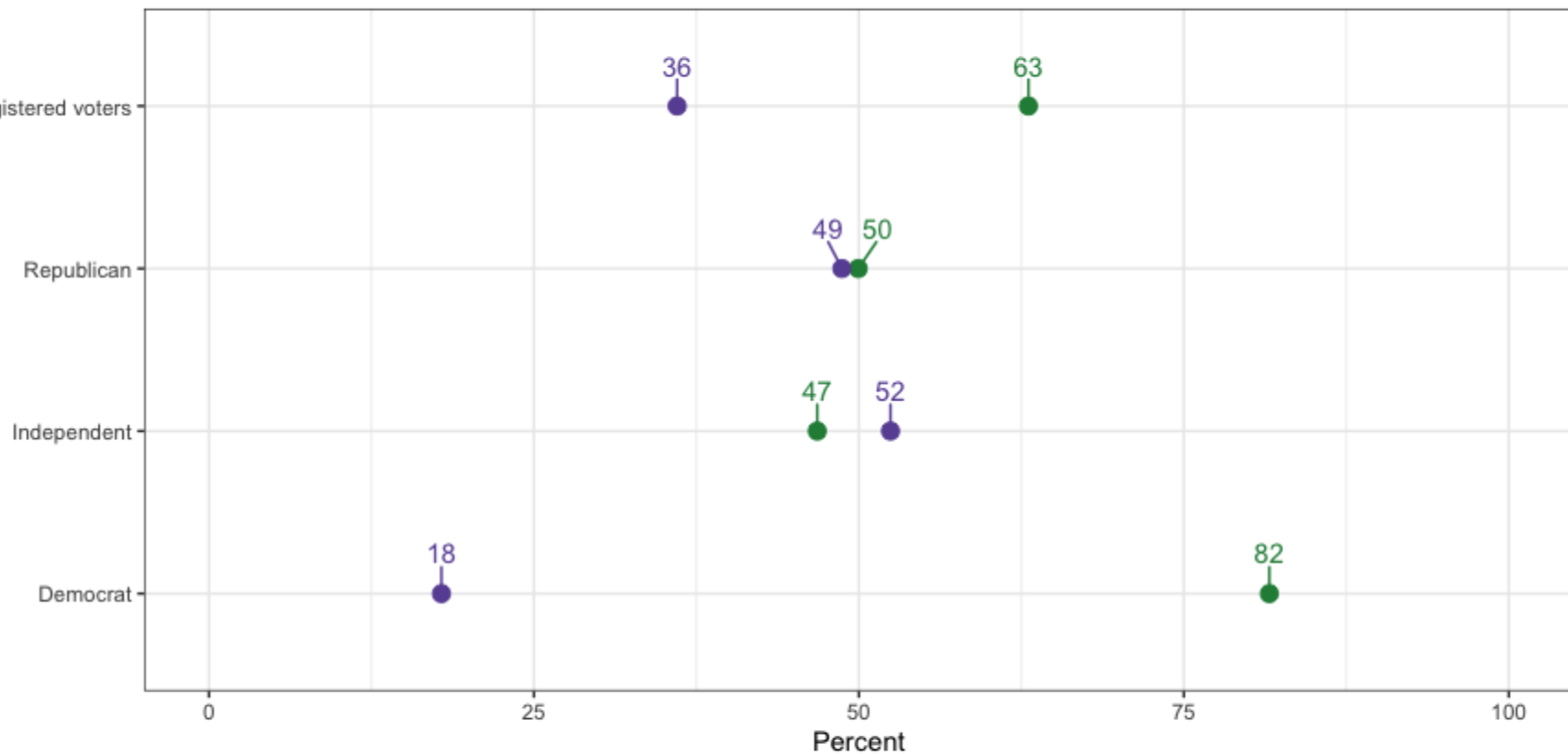


Mental health services ● Favor ● Oppose

Satisfaction with public schools by party identification

Among registered voters

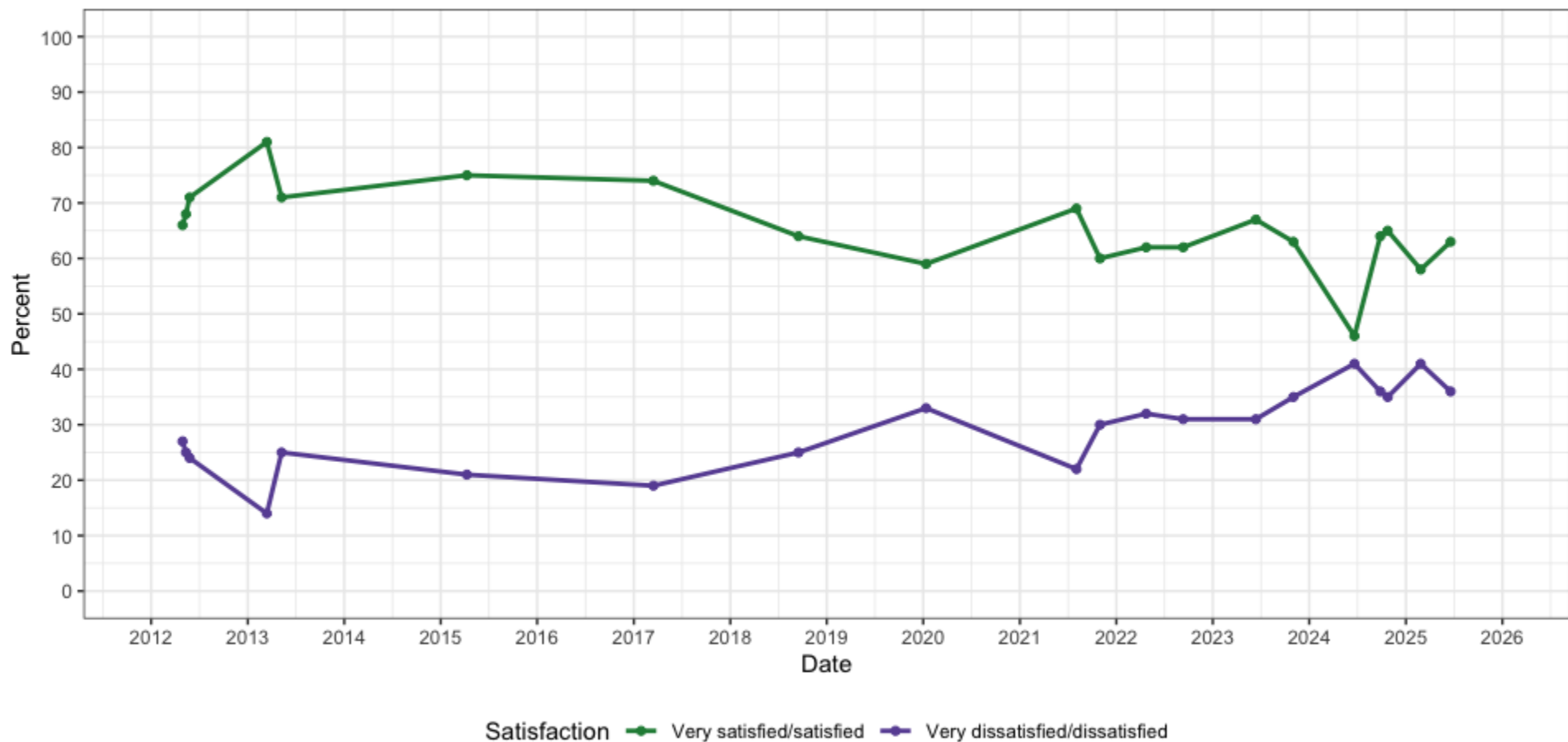
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Satisfaction ● Very satisfied/satisfied ● Very dissatisfied/dissatisfied

Satisfaction with schools trend

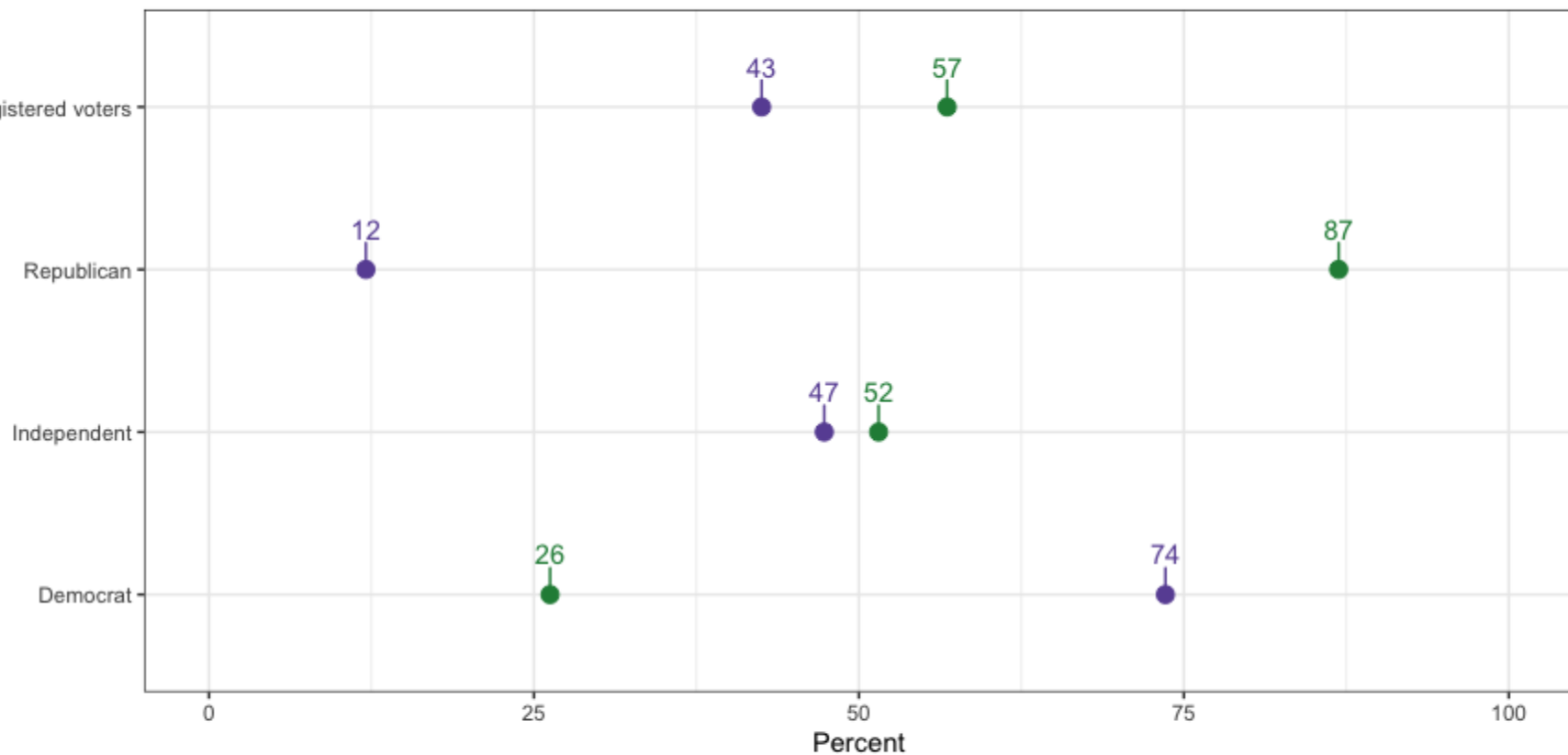
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Property tax or school funding by party identification

Among registered voters

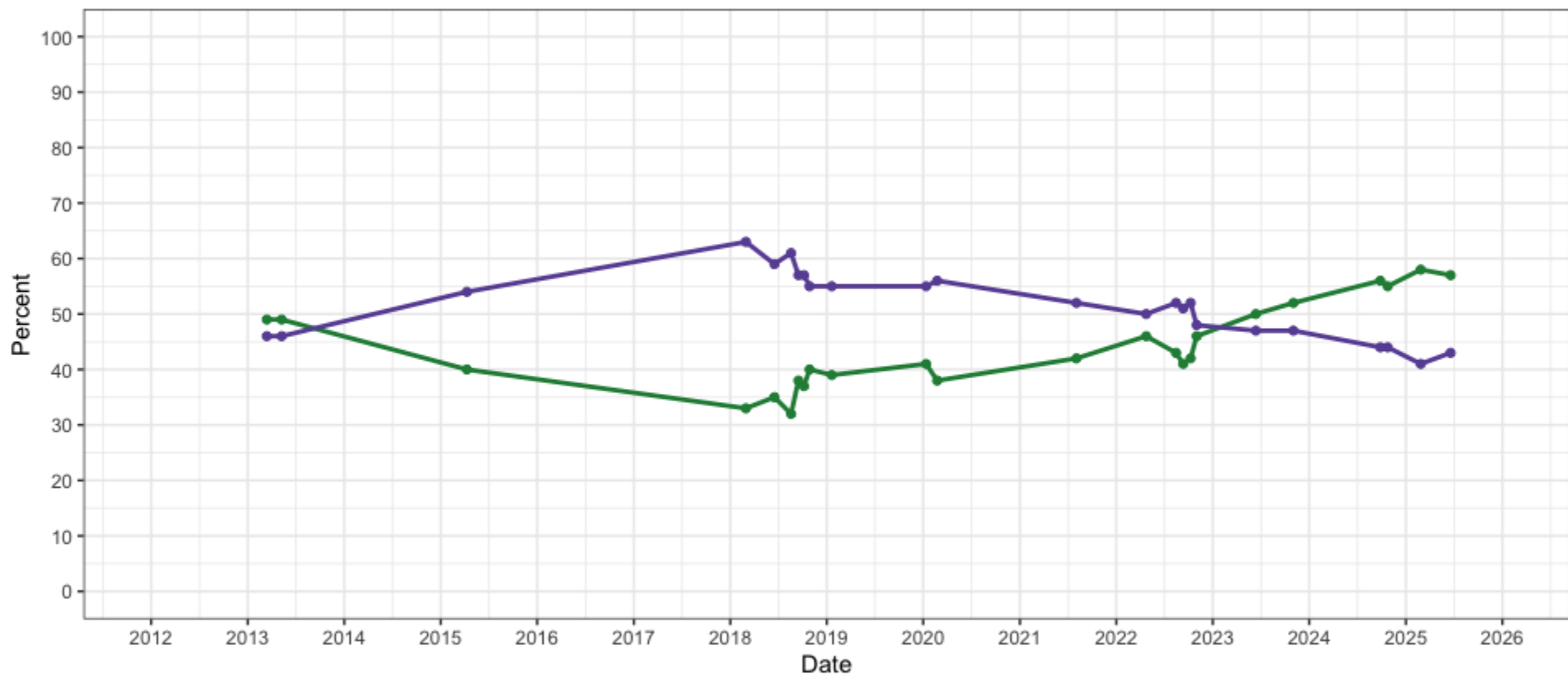
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Which more important ● Reducing property taxes ● Increasing spending on public schools

Property tax or school funding trend

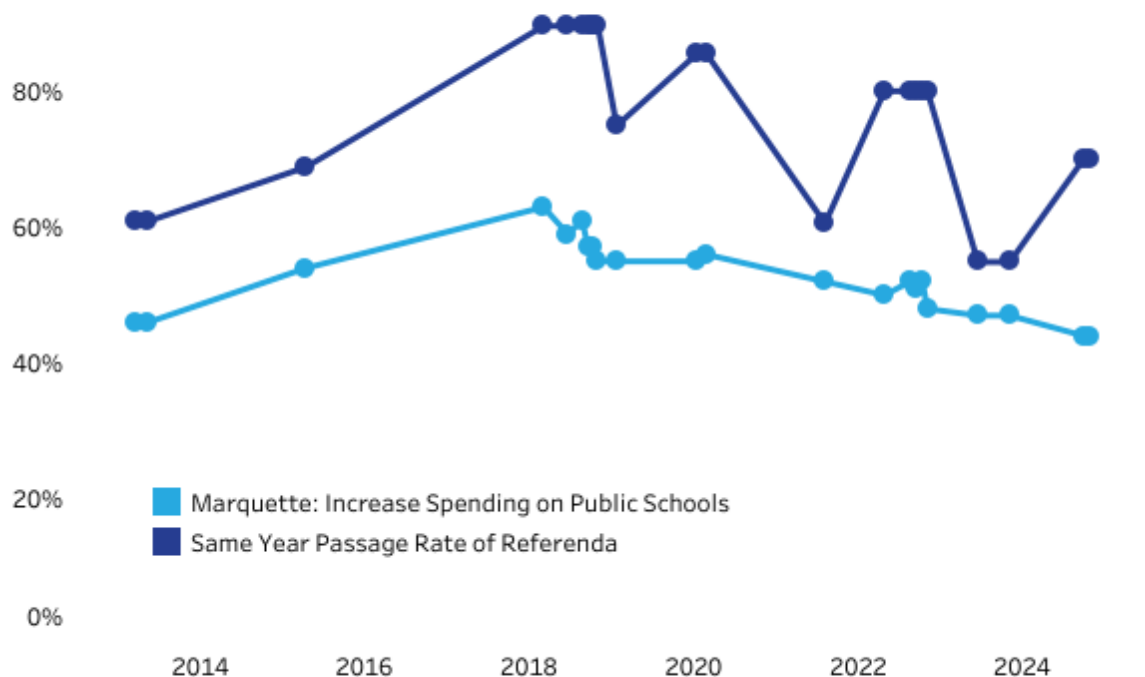
Among Wisconsin registered voters



Which more important — Reducing property taxes — Increasing spending on public schools

Figure 3: Referendum Approval Tracks Favoring More K-12 Spending

% that favor increasing spending on public schools to reducing property taxes in Marquette
Law Poll and passage rate of referenda in same year question was asked

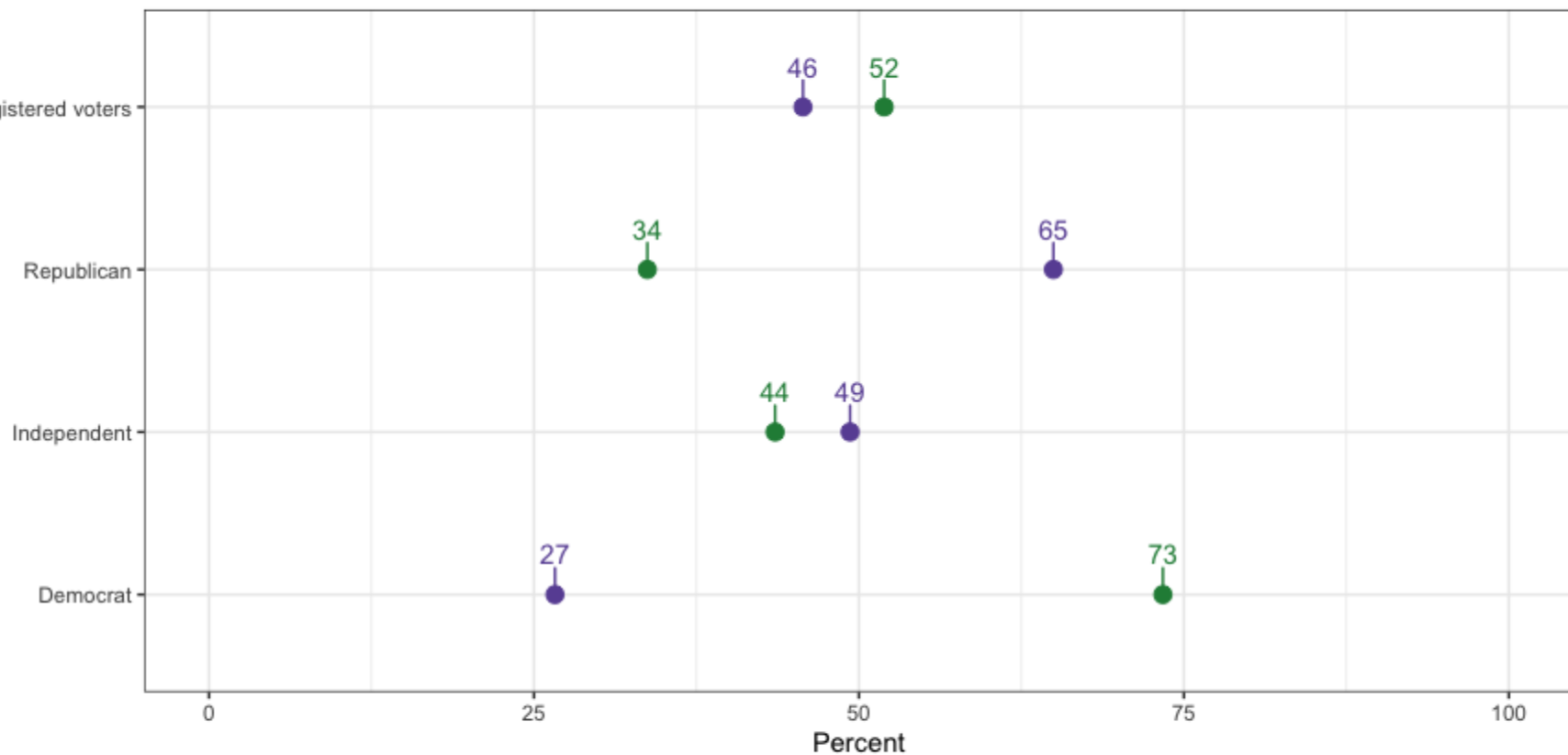


Sources: Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction, Wisconsin county elections websites, Marquette Law Poll. Note: Passage rates tend to be higher in midterm and presidential election years.

Vote for school referendum by party identification

Among registered voters

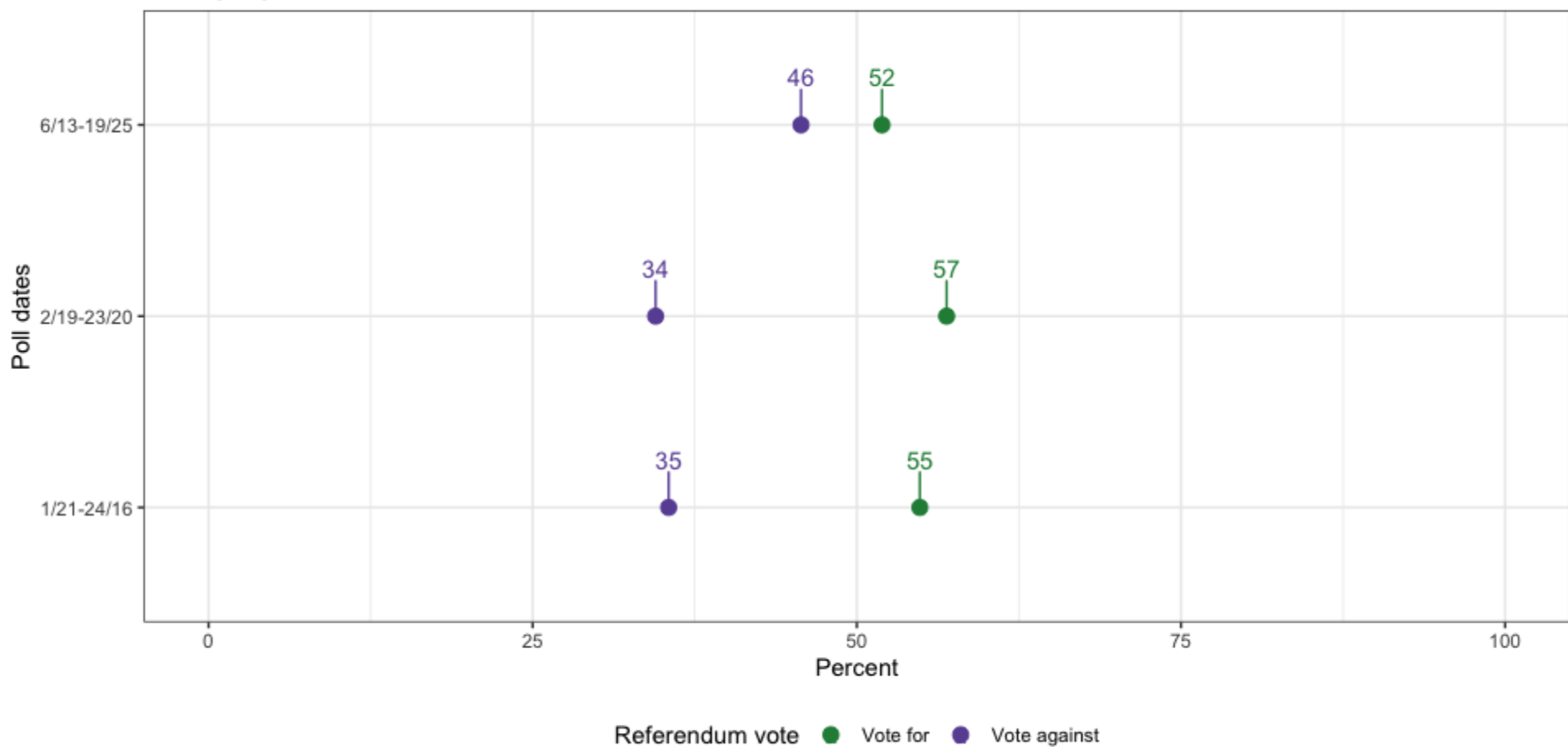
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Referendum vote ● Vote for ● Vote against

Vote for school referendum by year

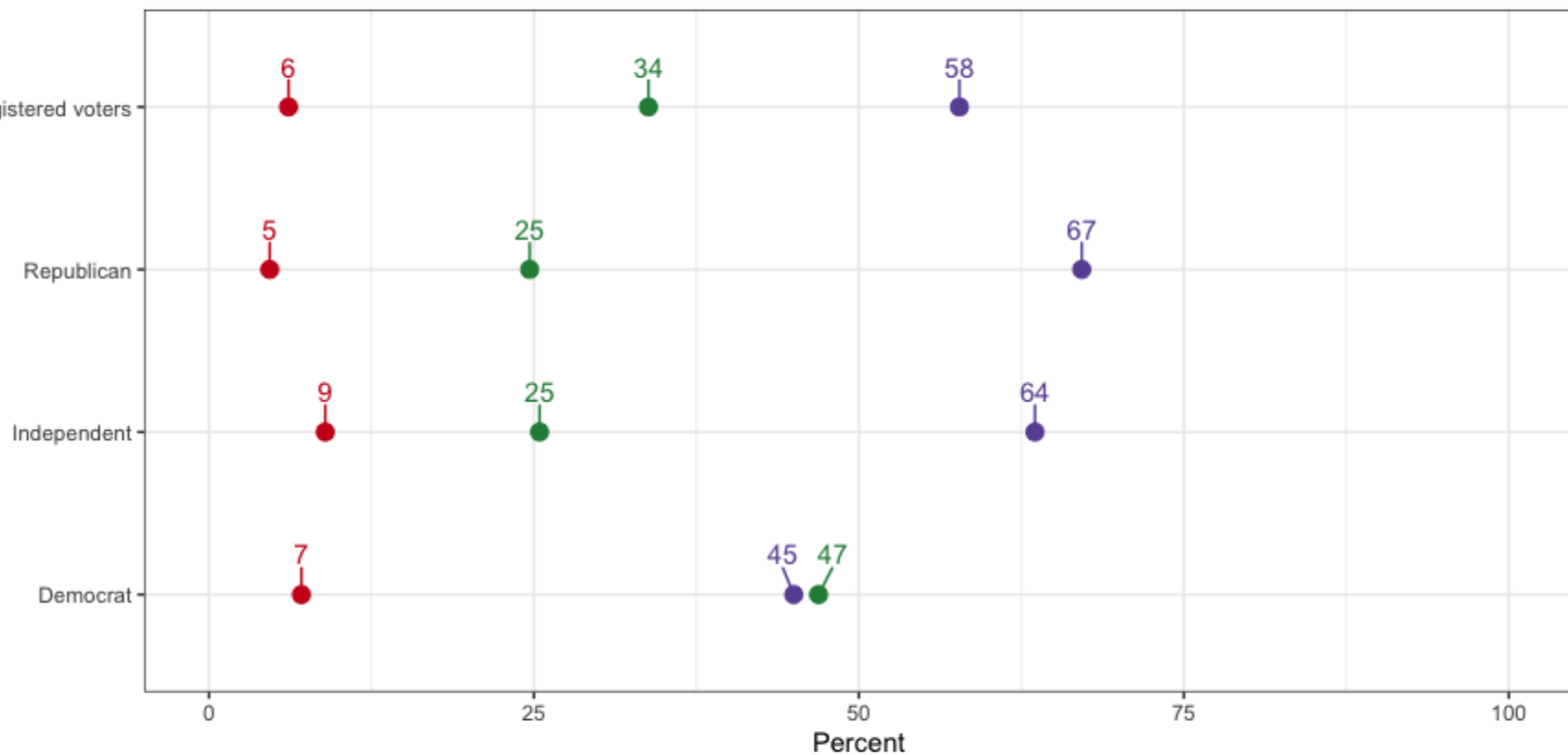
Among registered voters



Education standards by party identification

Among registered voters

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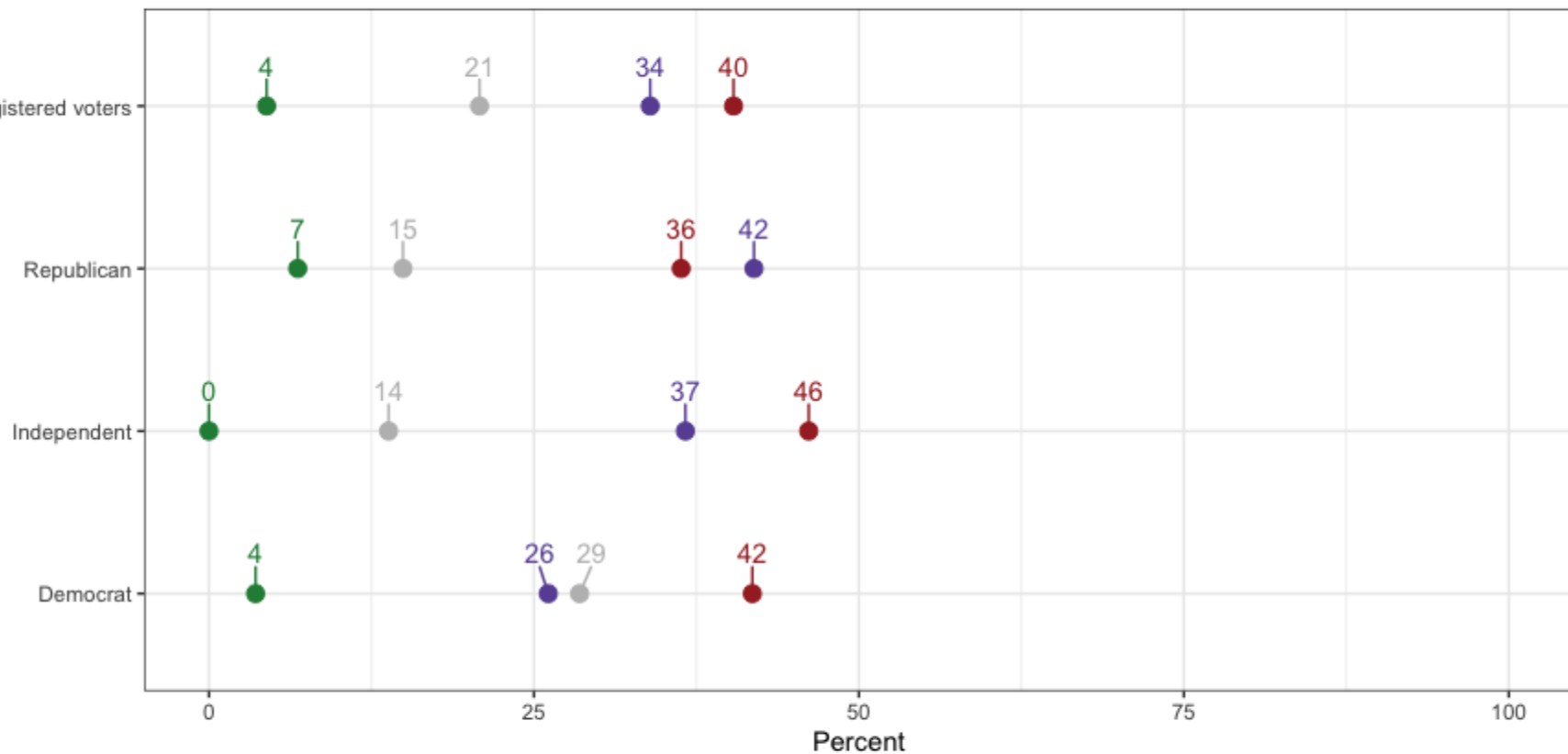


Education standards ● About where they should be ● Higher than they should be ● Lower than they should be

Reading tests by party identification

Among registered voters

Party ID



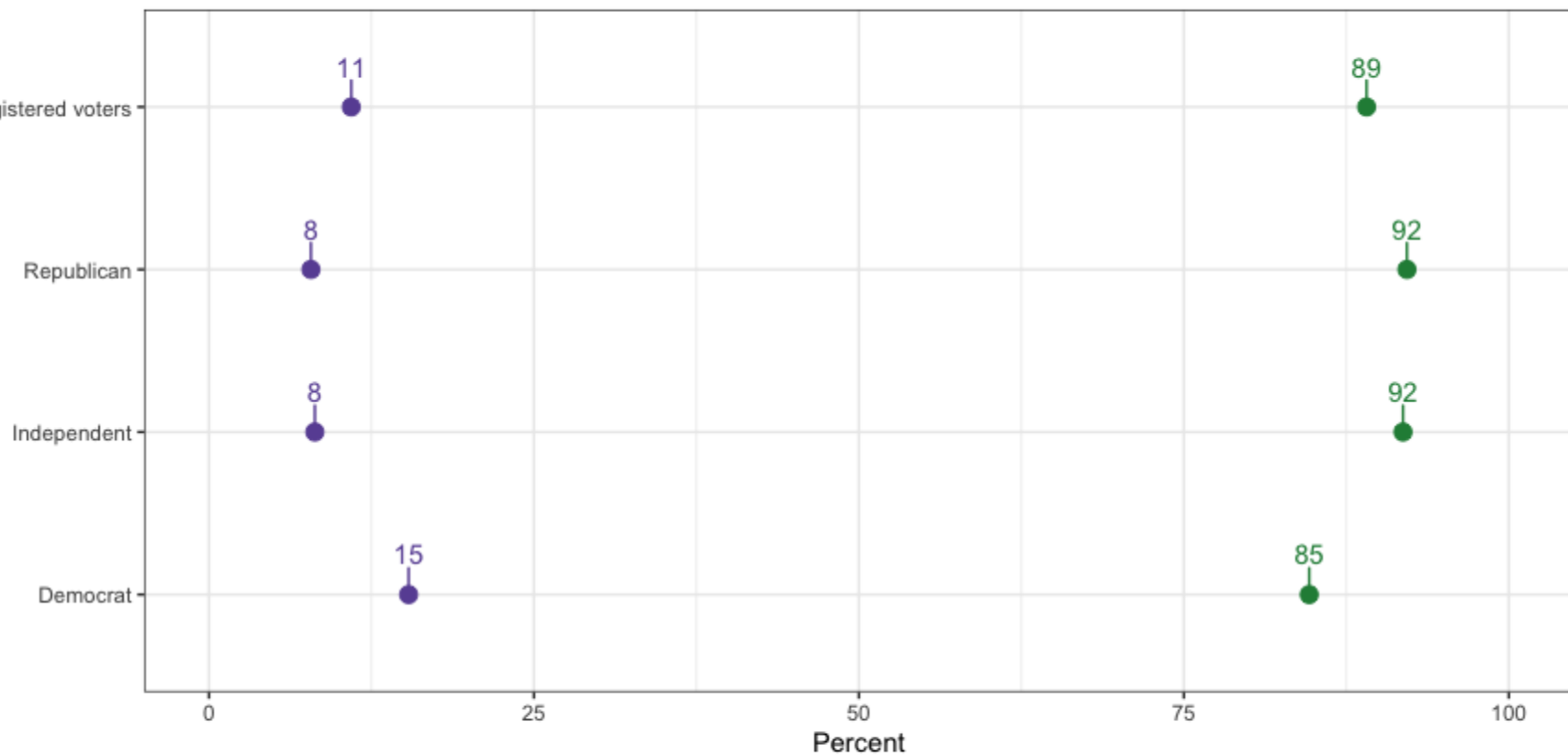
Reading test scores

- Gone up
- Stayed same
- Gone down
- Haven't heard enough

Ban cell phones in class by party identification

Among registered voters

Party ID

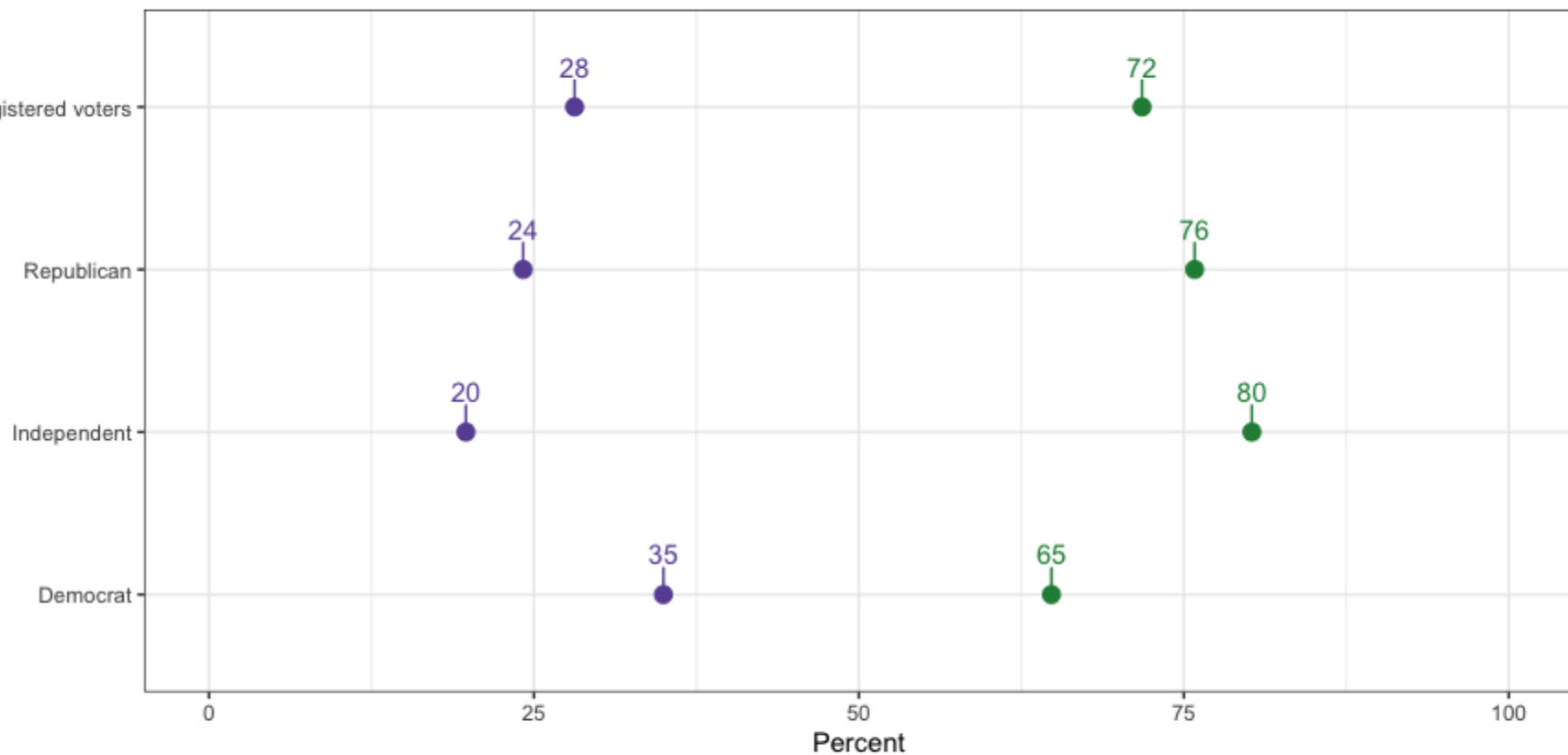


Ban cell phones in class ● Support ● Oppose

Ban cell phones throughout school day by party identification

Among registered voters

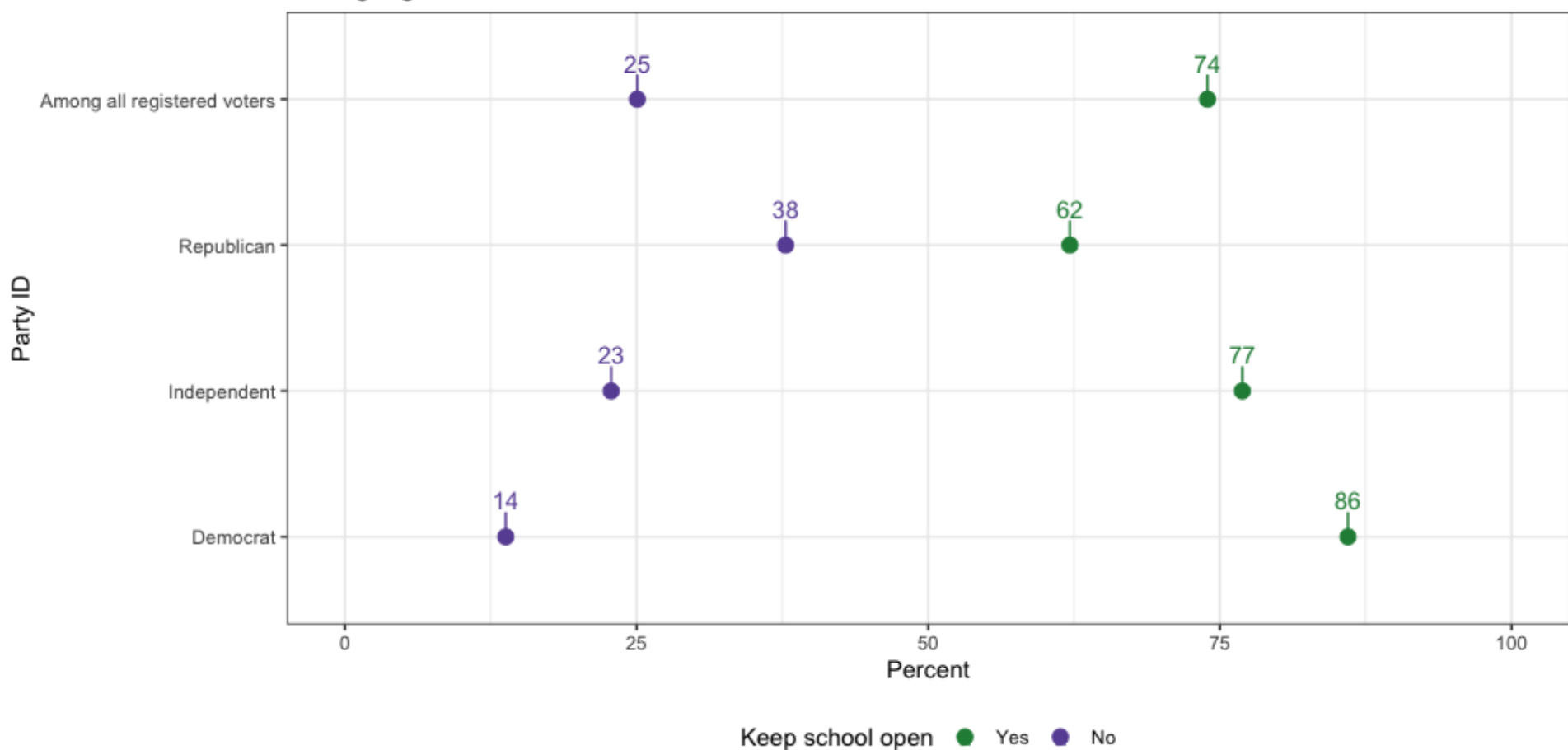
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Ban cell phones throughout day ● Support ● Oppose

Work to keep elementary school open by party identification

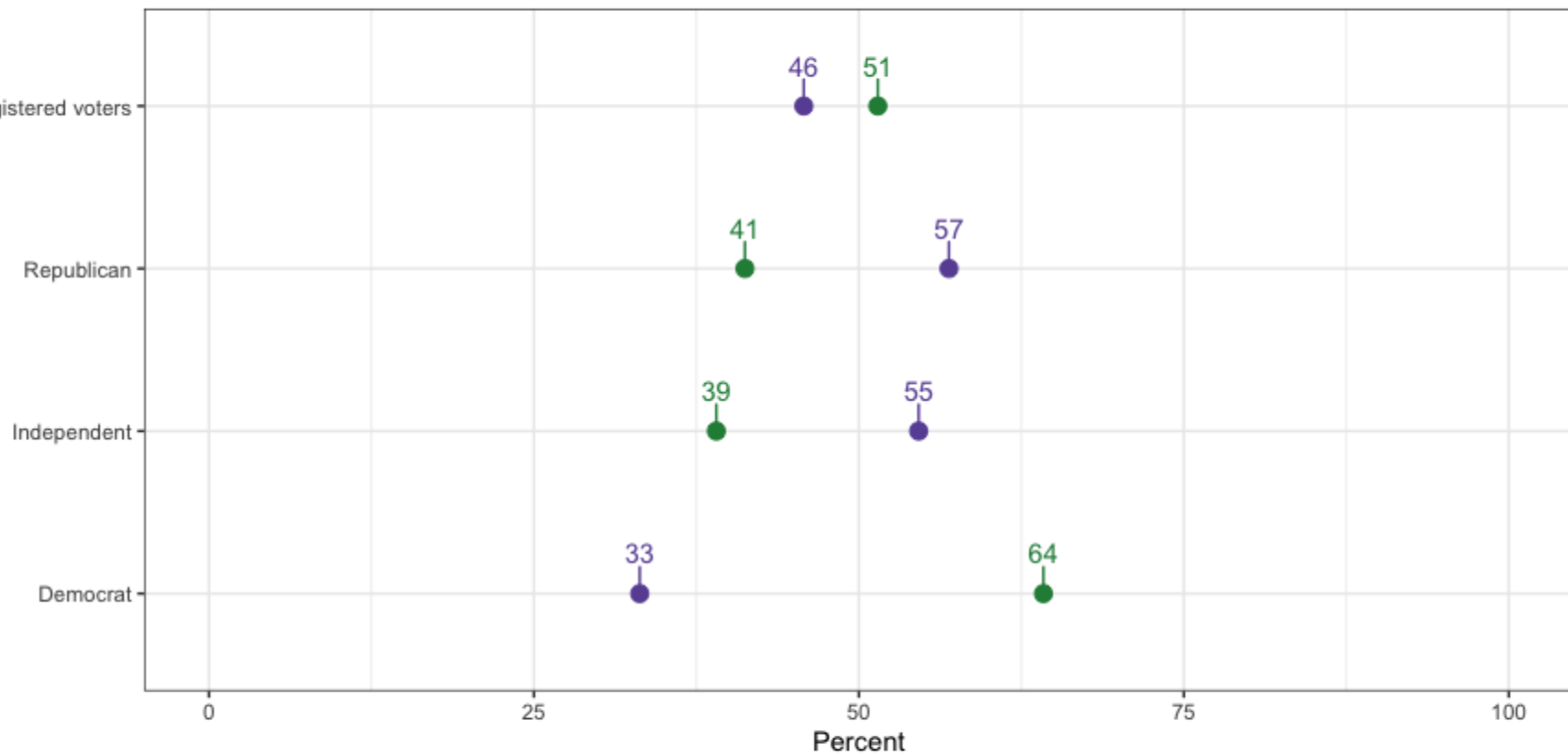
Among registered voters



Get fair hearing from school board by party identification

Among registered voters

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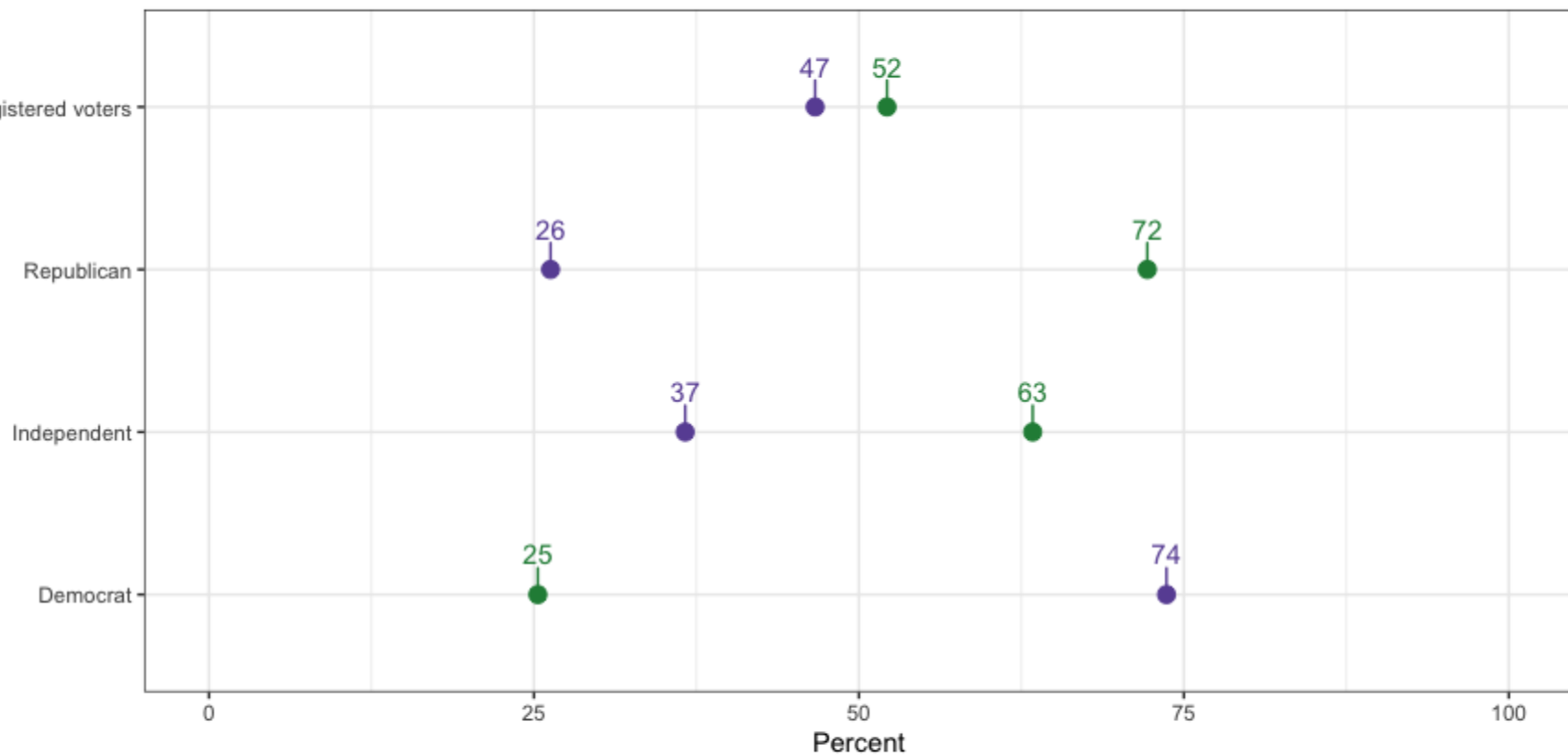


Fair hearing ● Yes ● No

Vouchers for all students by party identification

Among registered voters

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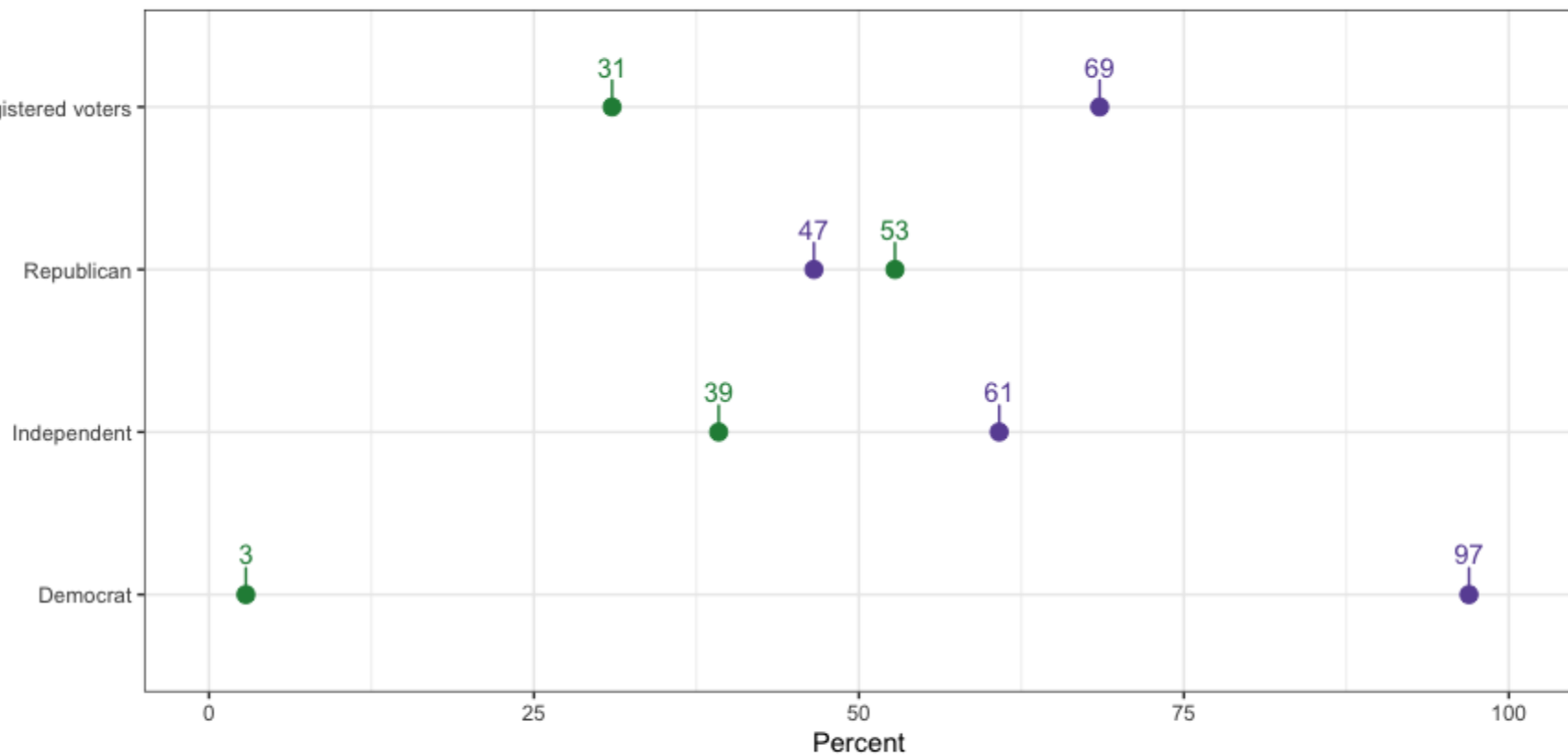


Vouchers for all ● Favor ● Oppose

Increase support for private or public schools by party identification

Among registered voters

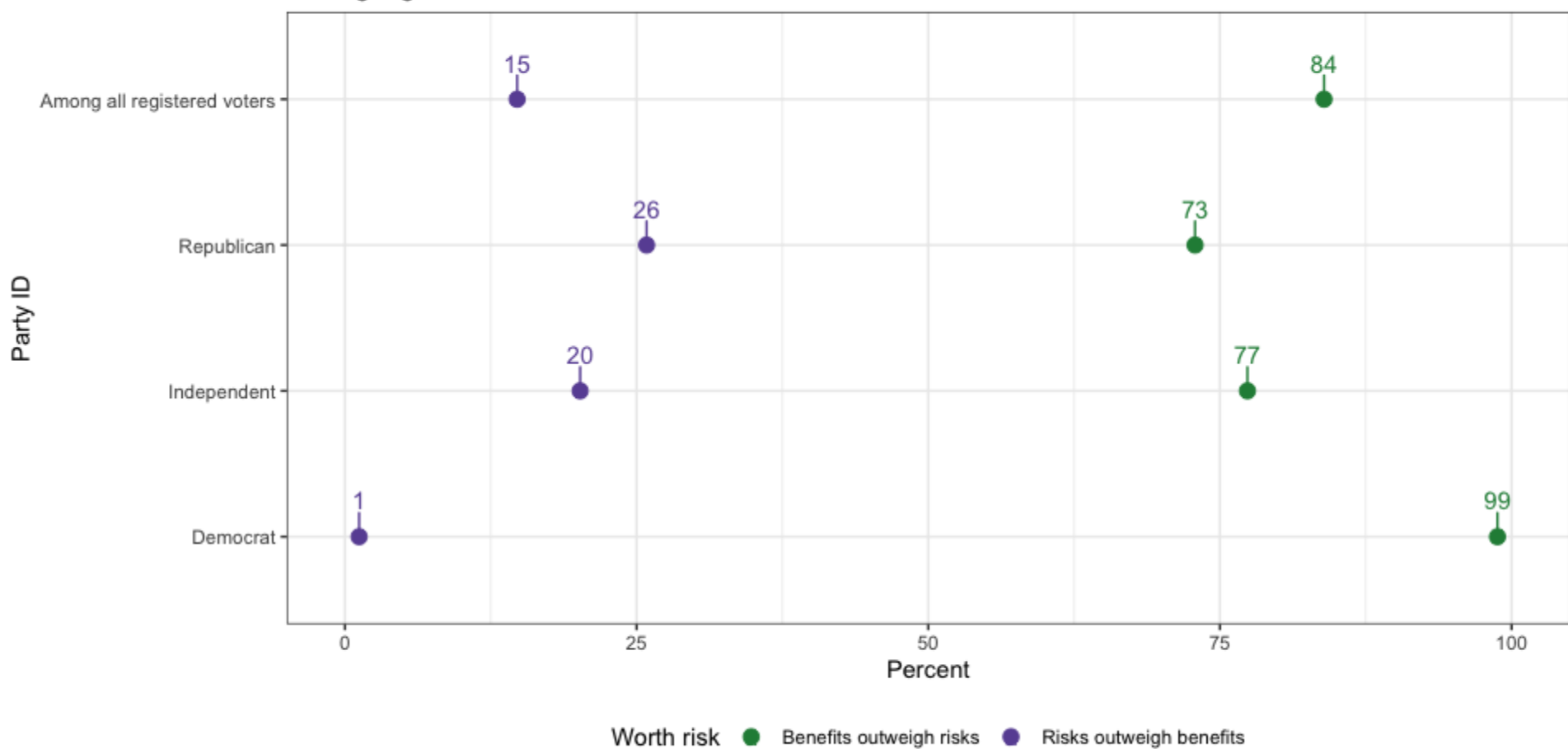
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Private or public ● Private schools ● Public schools

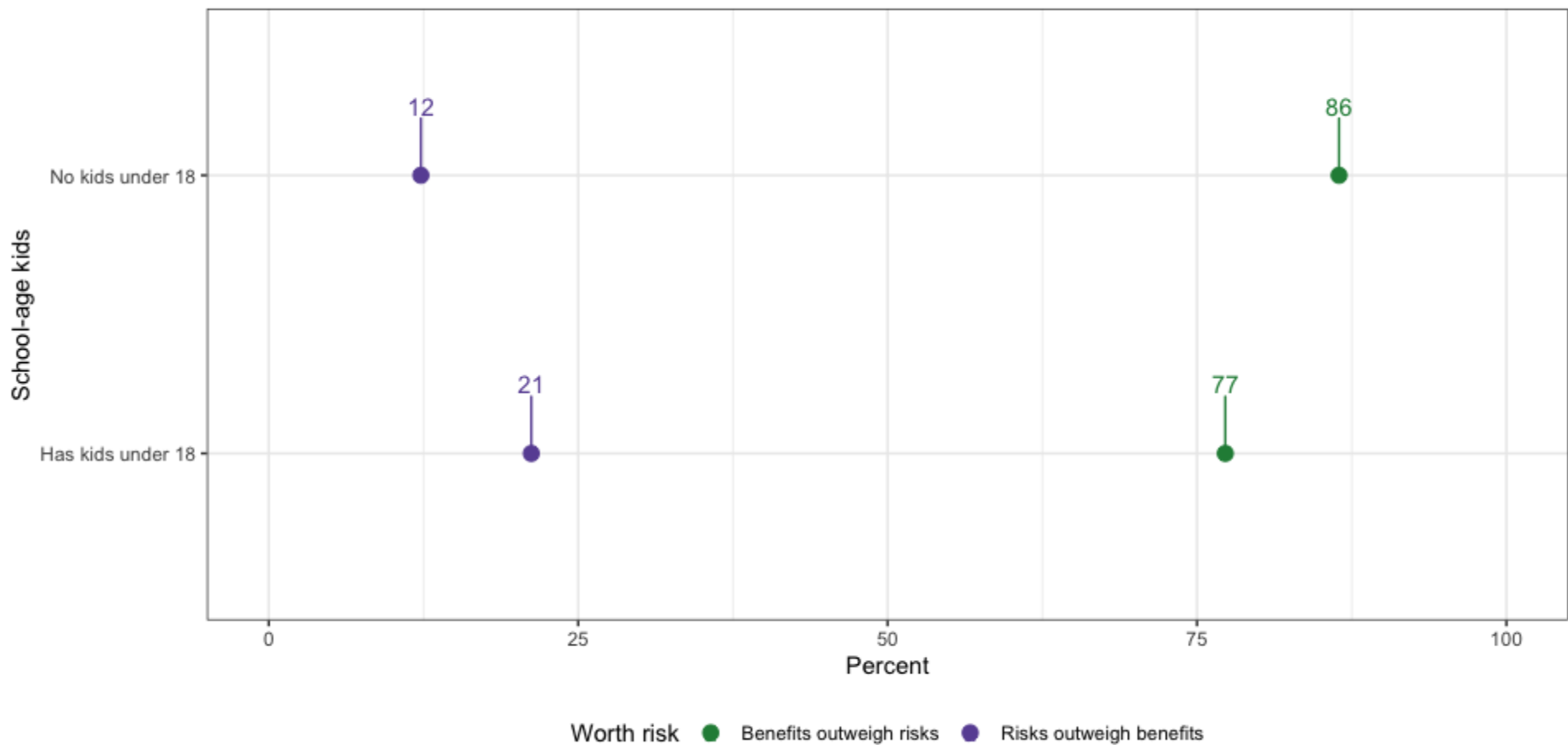
Measles vaccination worth risk by party identification

Among registered voters



Measles vaccination worth risk by school-age children

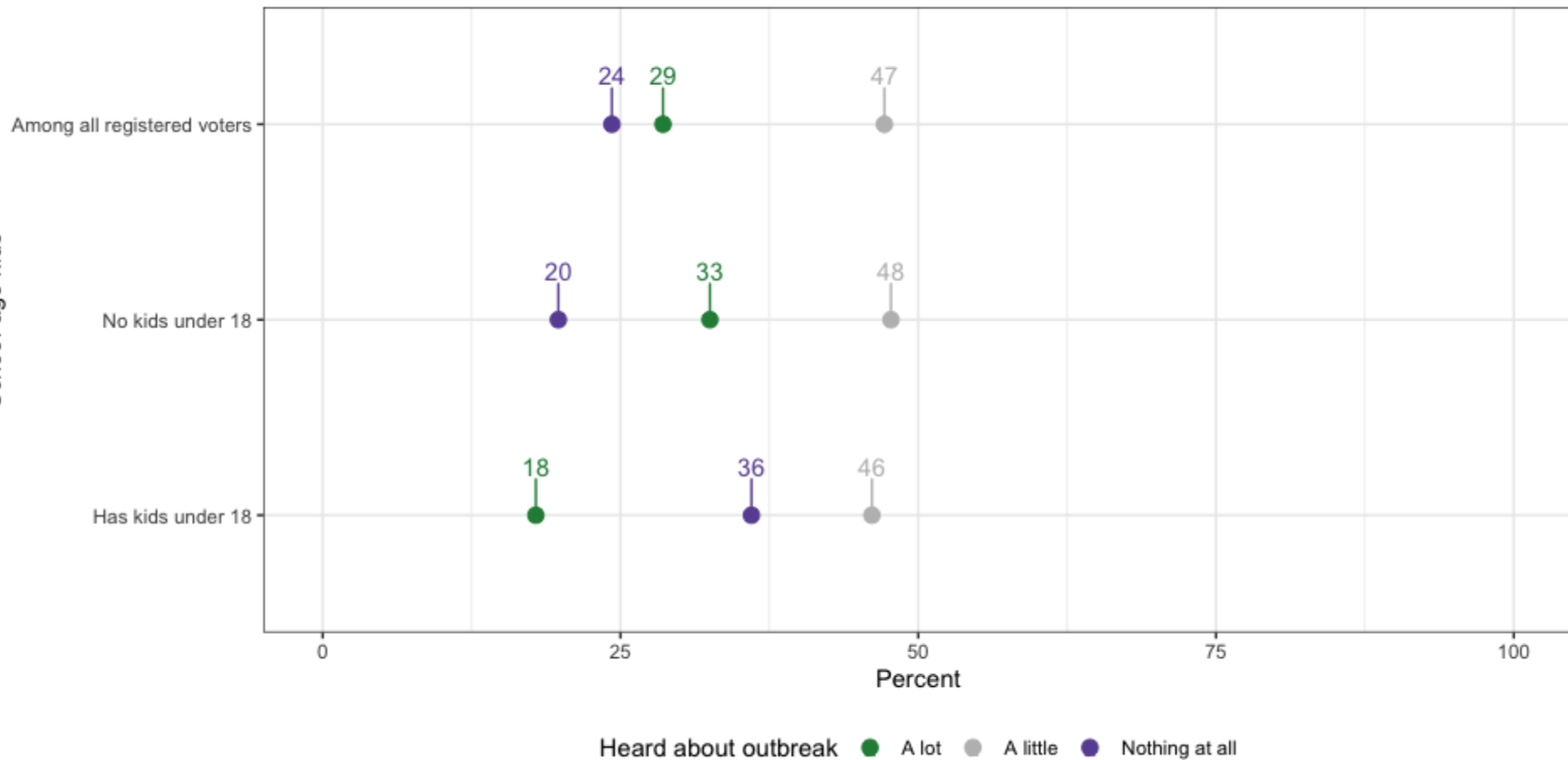
Among registered voters



Heard about measles outbreak by school-age children

Among registered voters

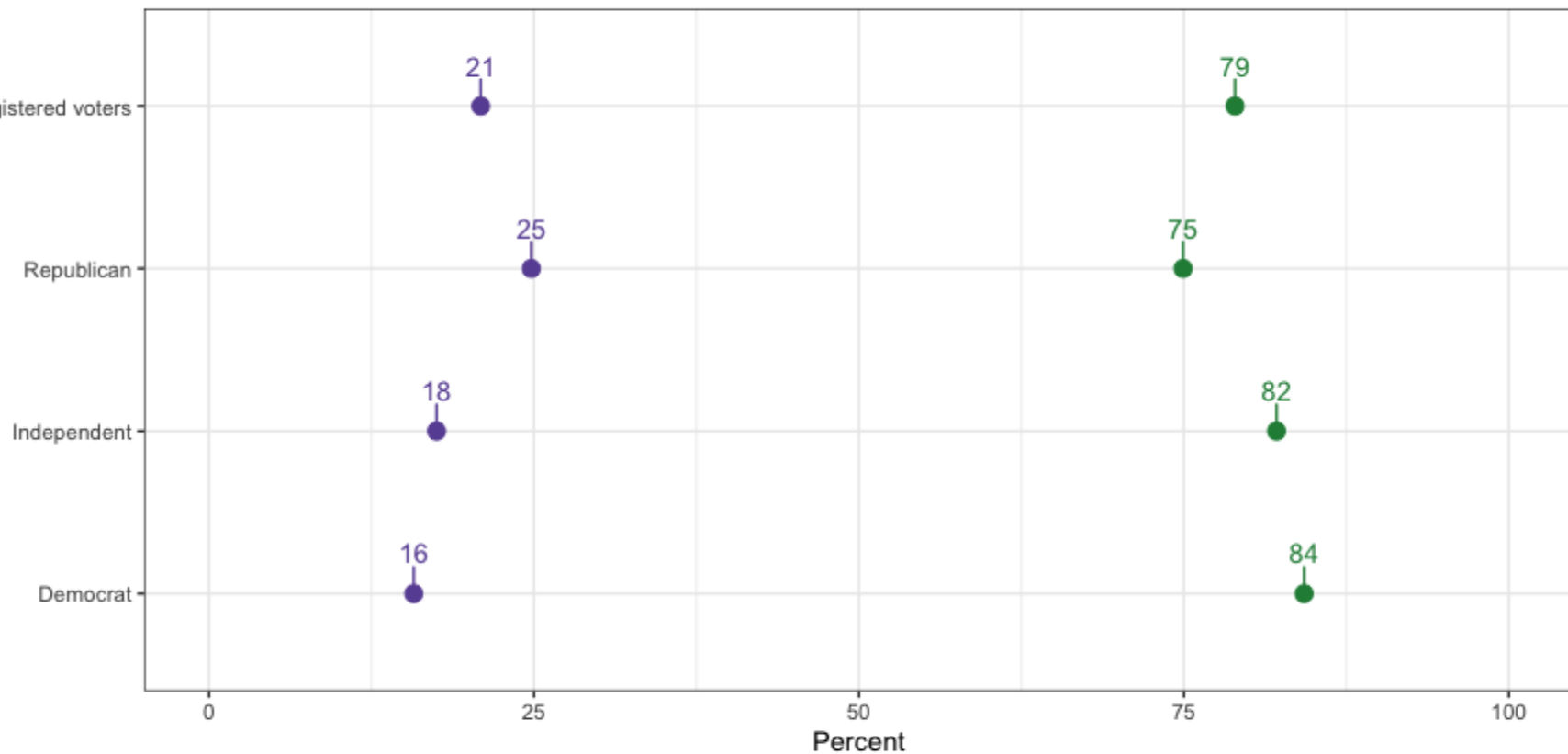
School-age kids



Concern about PFAS by party identification

Among registered voters

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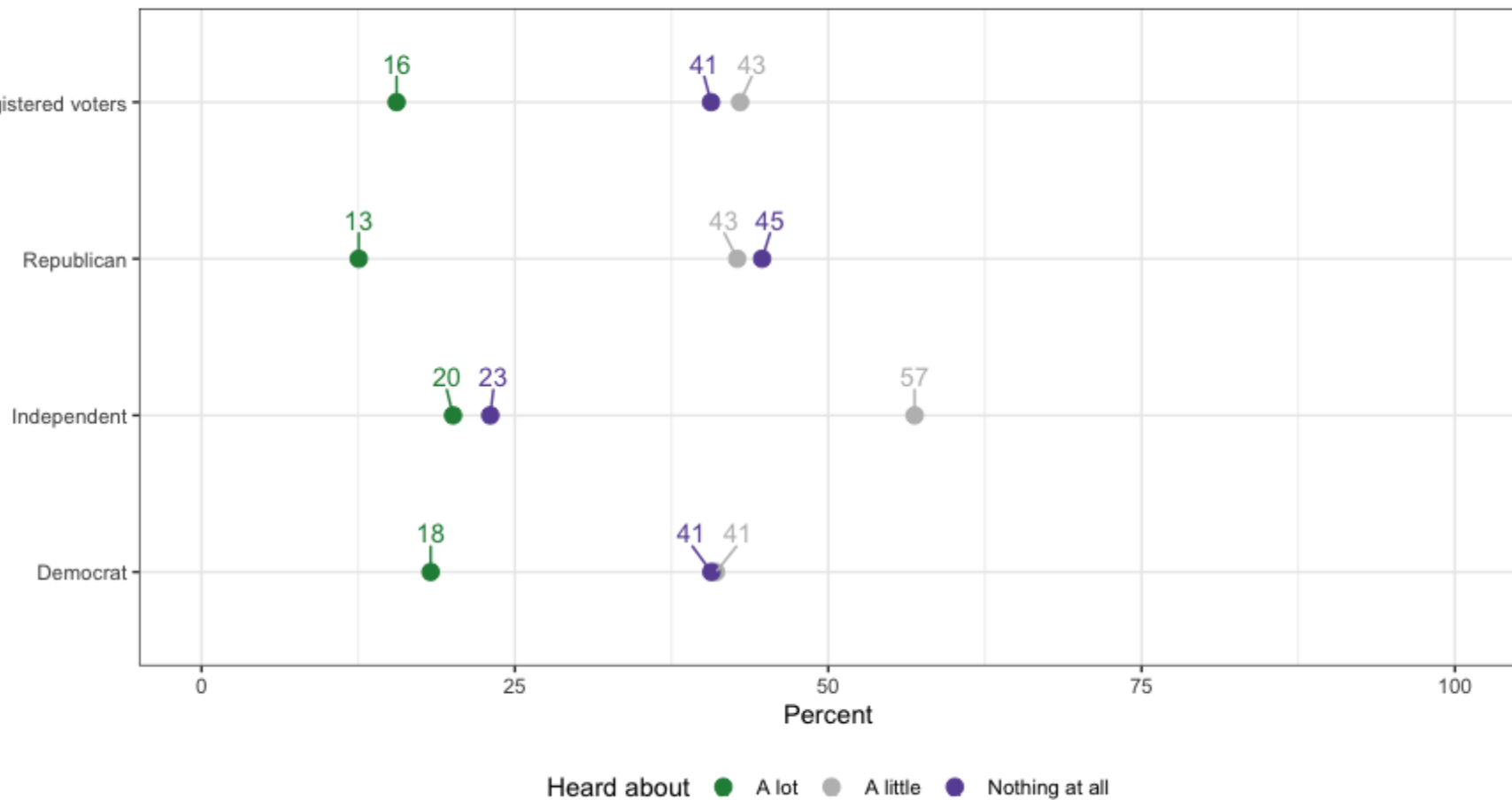


Concern ● Very/somewhat concerned ● Not too/not at all concerned

Heard about PFAS by party identification

Among registered voters

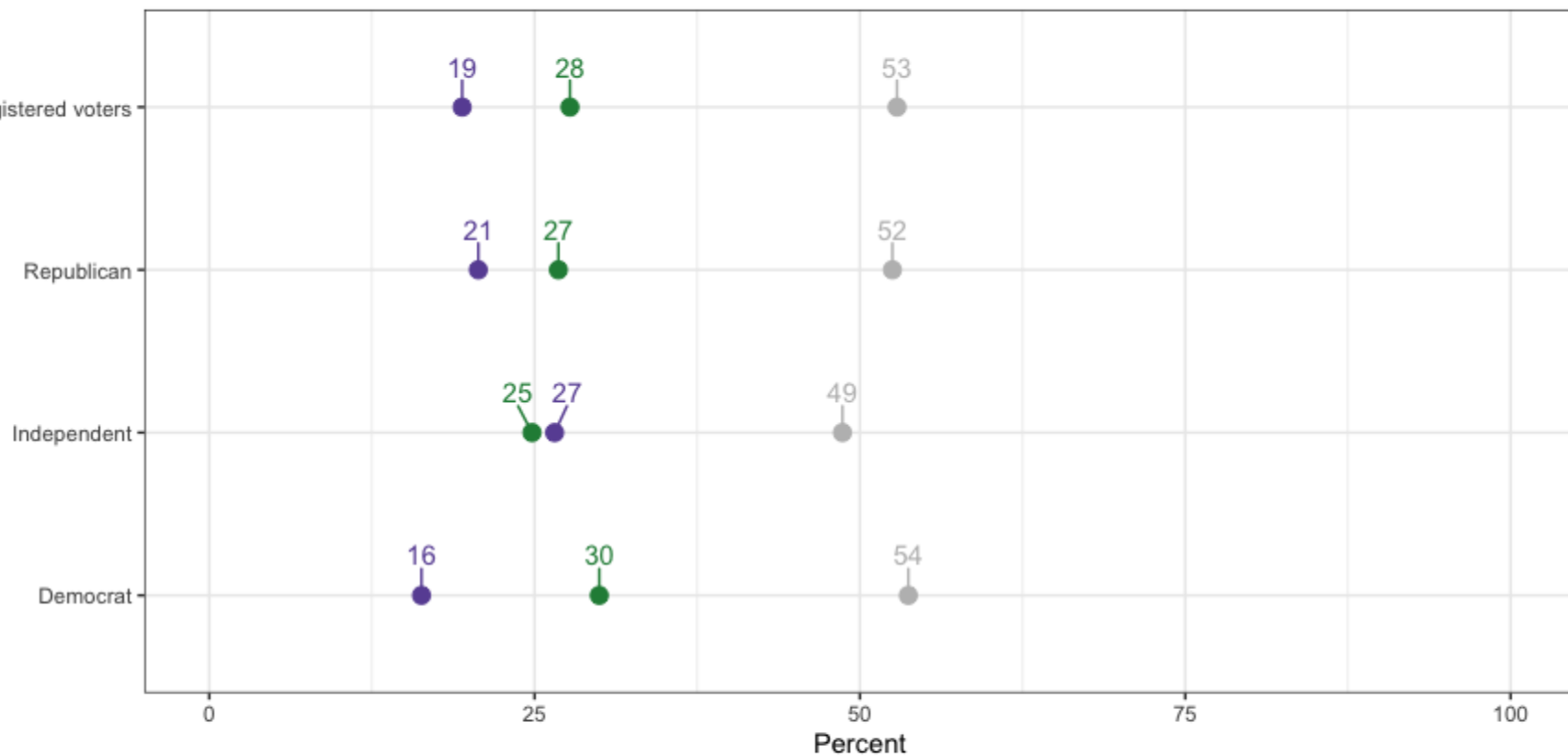
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Follow local news by party identification

Among registered voters

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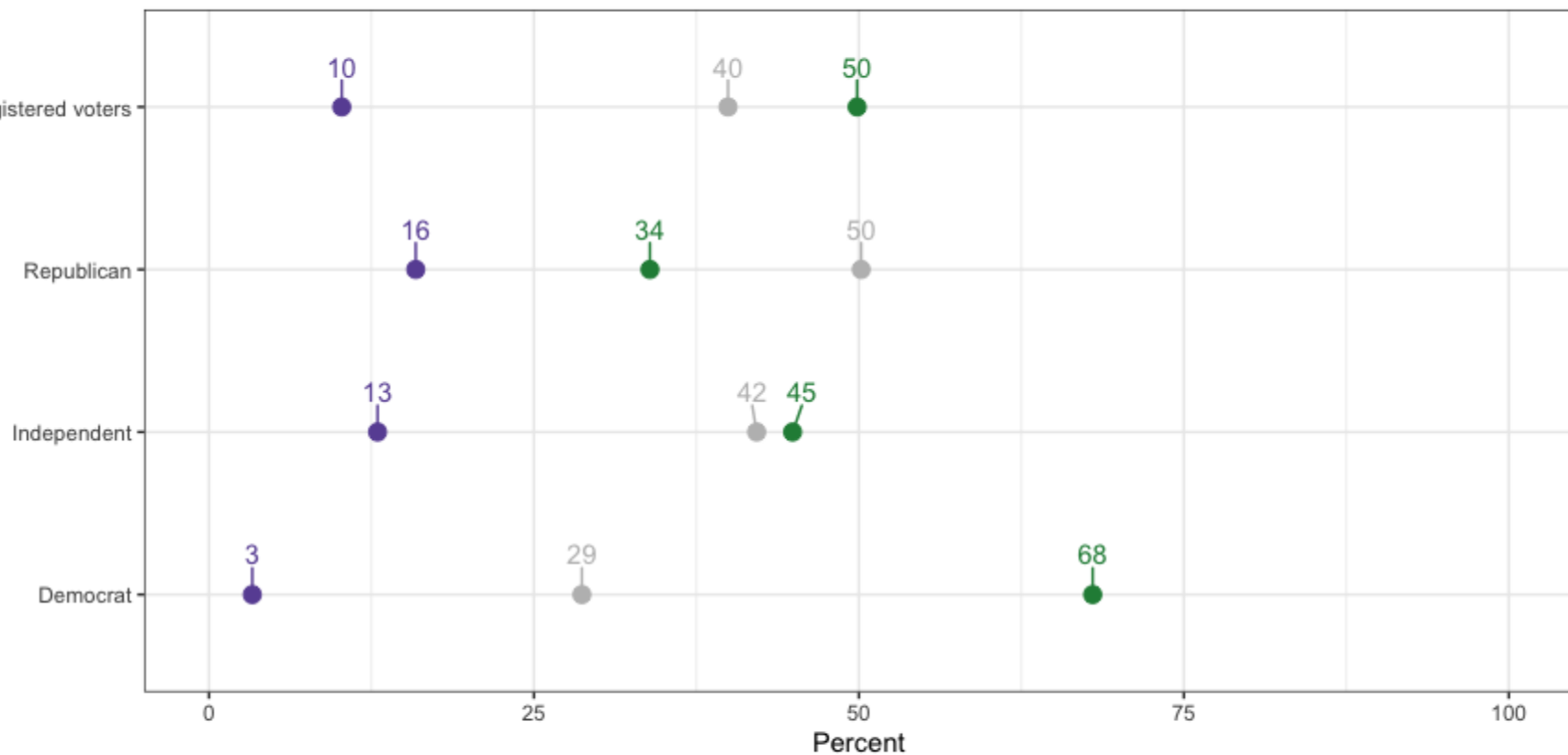


Follow local news ● Very closely ● Somewhat closely ● Not too/Not at all closely

Local news important to community by party identification

Among registered voters

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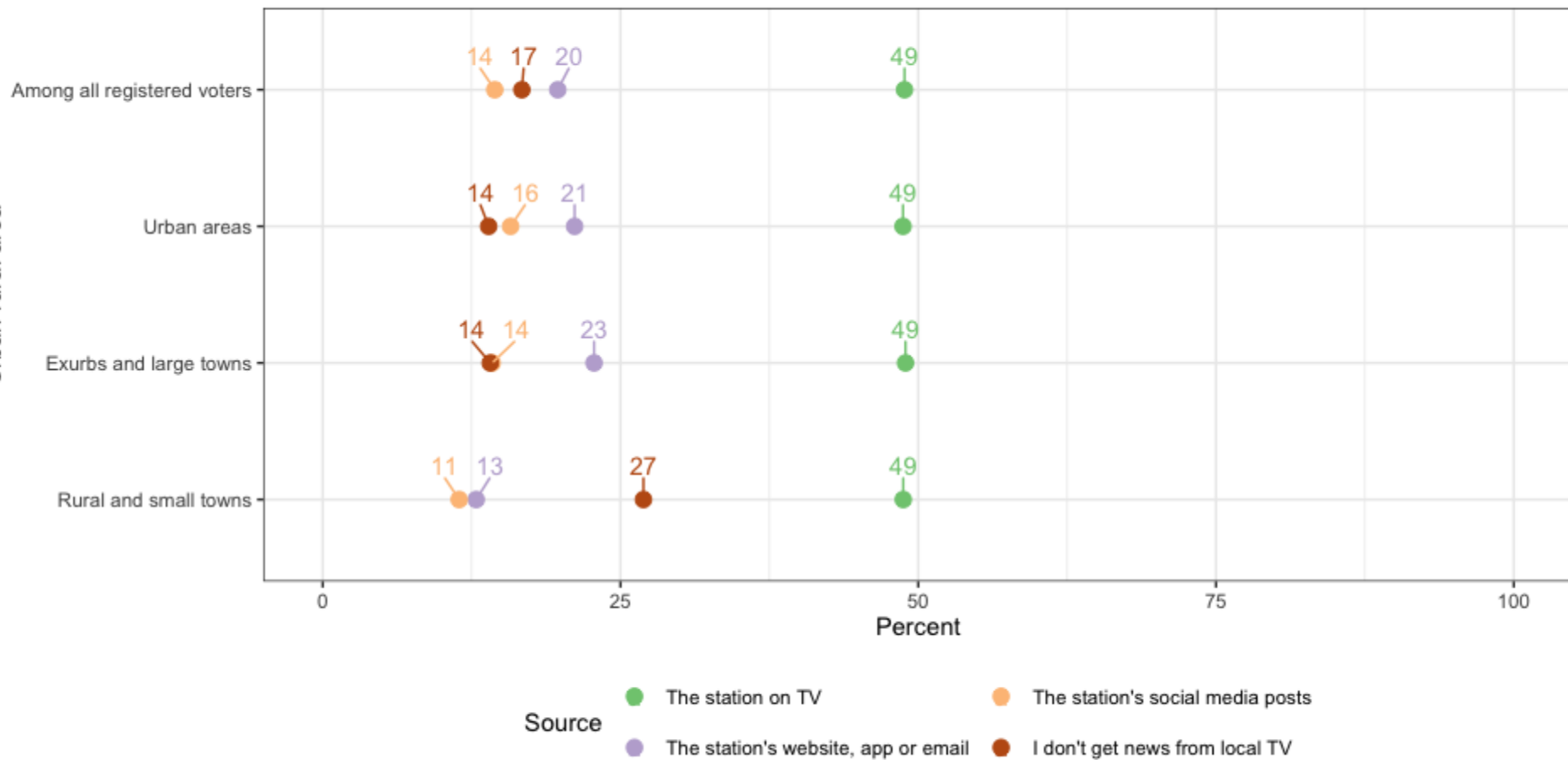


Follow local news ● Very important ● Somewhat important ● Not very/Not at all important

Sources of TV news by urban-rural area

Among registered voters

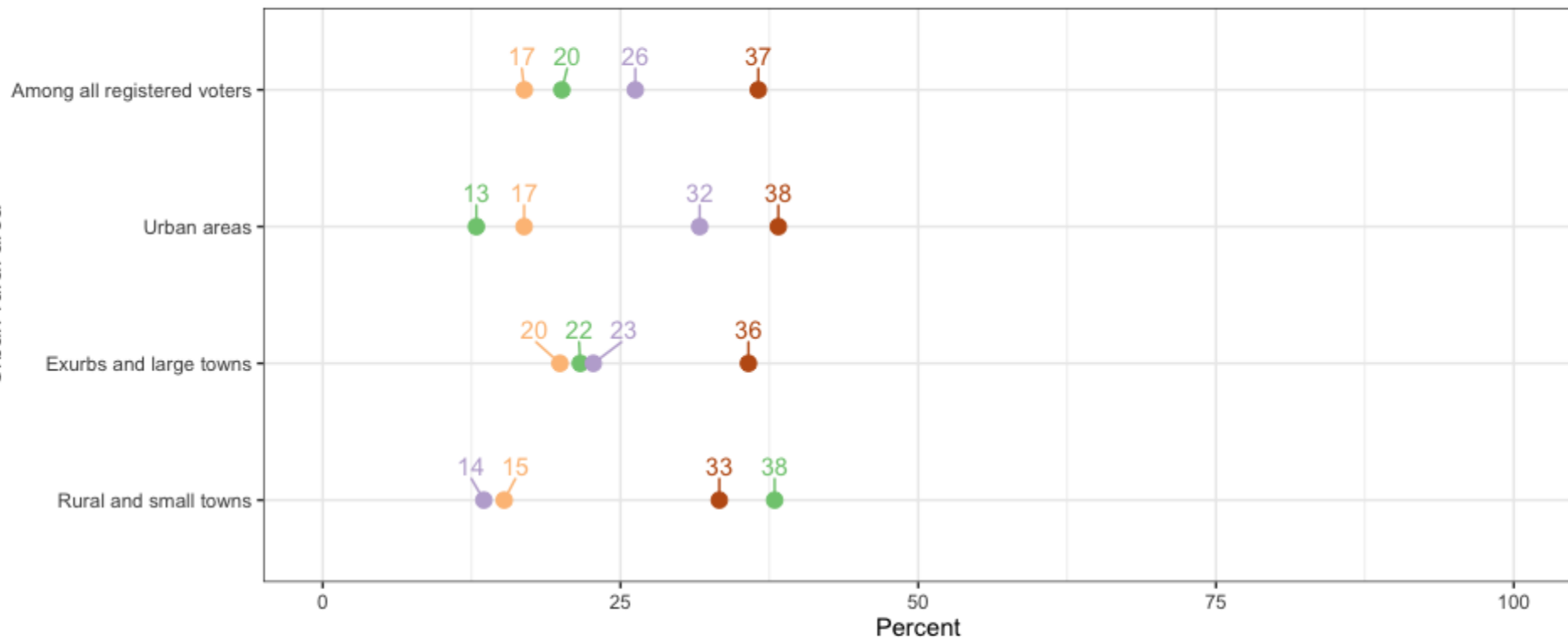
Urban-rural area



Sources of newspaper news by urban-rural area

Among registered voters

Urban-rural area

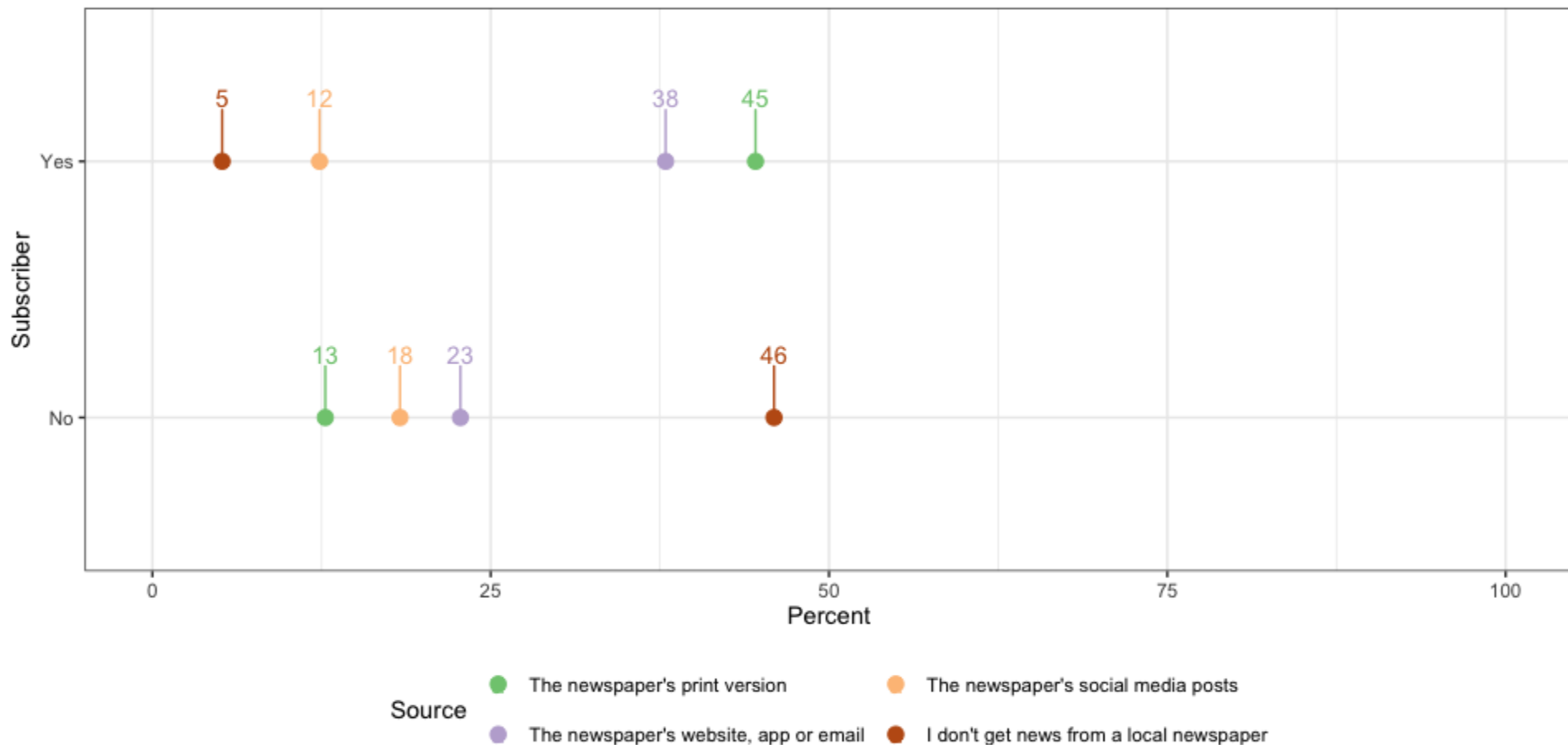


Source

- The newspaper's print version
- The newspaper's social media posts
- The newspaper's website, app or email
- I don't get news from a local newspaper

Sources of newspaper news by subscriber

Among registered voters



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