



The Alliance  
for Competitive  
Elections

2025 Local Election  
Fort Collins Exit Poll



# What We Do

The **Alliance for Competitive Elections (ACE)** builds capacity and opportunity for third parties to be competitive in elections.

We strengthen, organize, and professionalize small political parties, training them to identify and compete successfully in favorable districts.



# 2025 Local Election

## Fort Collins Exit Poll

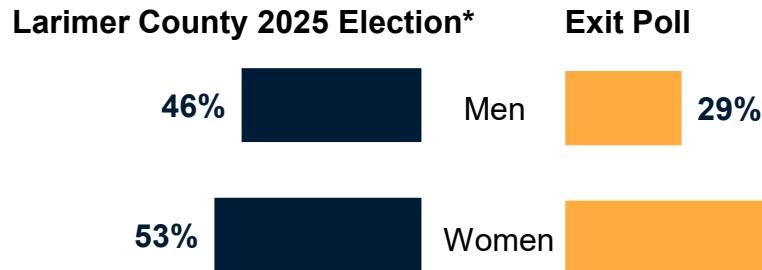
- Exit poll at ballot drop boxes in Fort Collins, CO
- Data collection dates: November 1-5, 2025
- Non-probability sample
- 7 interviewers surveyed voters dropping off ballots at 3 drop boxes
- Surveys conducted online or on paper
- 85 completed interviews



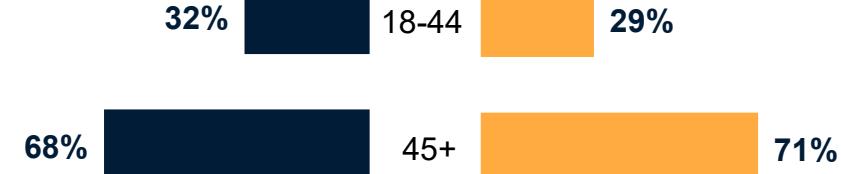
# Demographics

## Age

### Gender

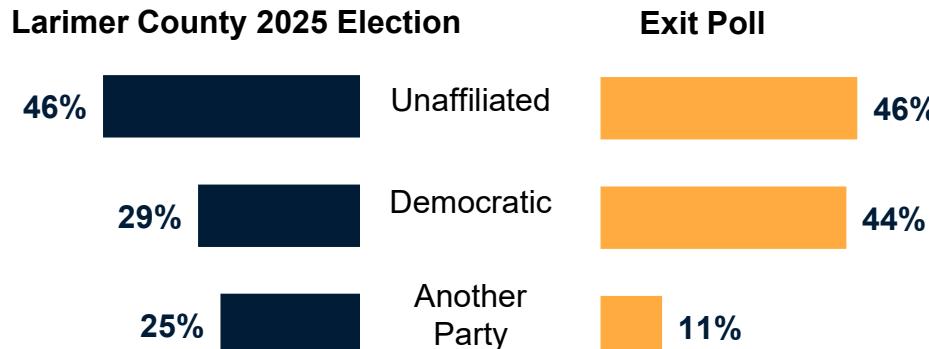


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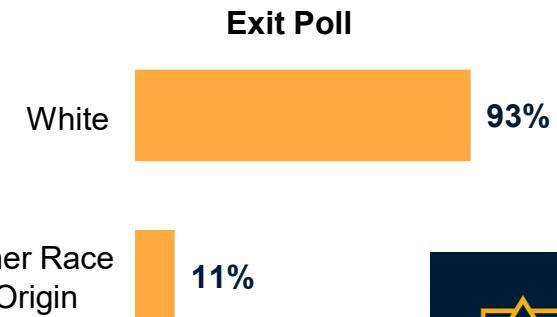


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### Party Affiliation



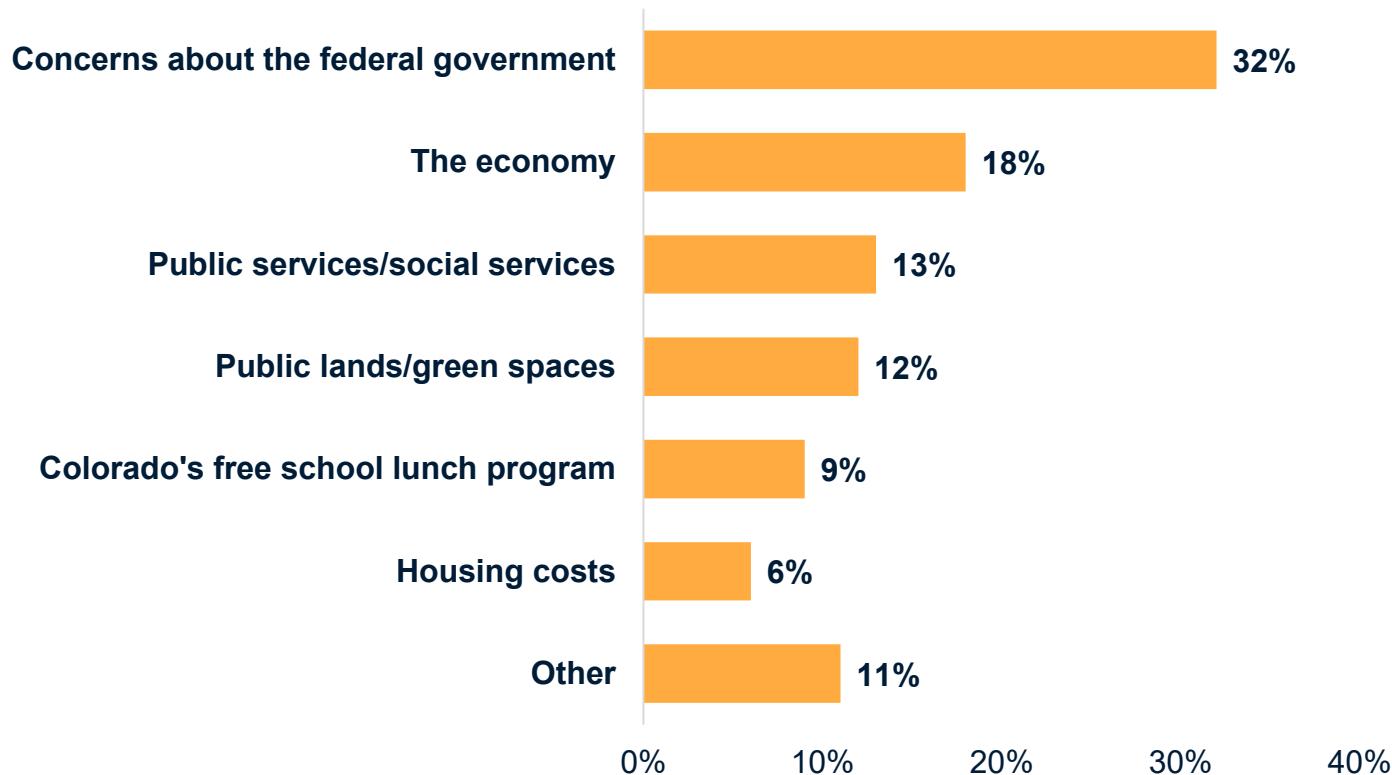
### Race (Multiple Response)



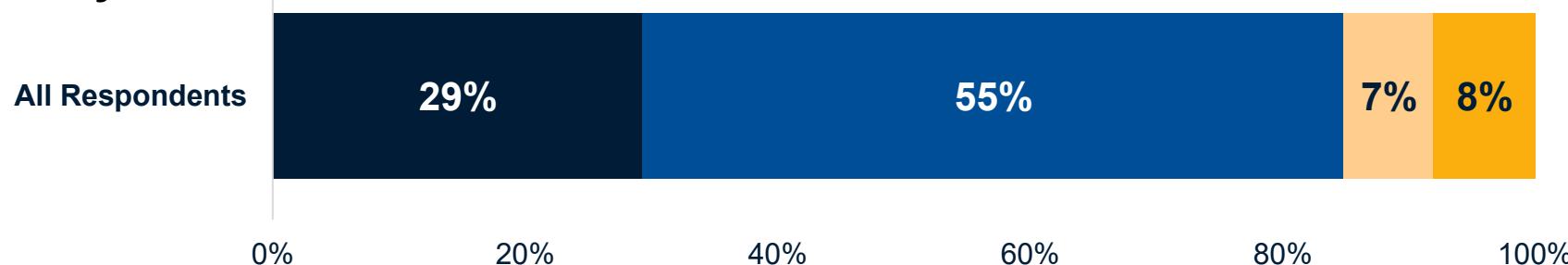
\*Data pulled 11/24/25 from [www.larimer.gov/clerk/elections/2025-coordinated-election-data](http://www.larimer.gov/clerk/elections/2025-coordinated-election-data)



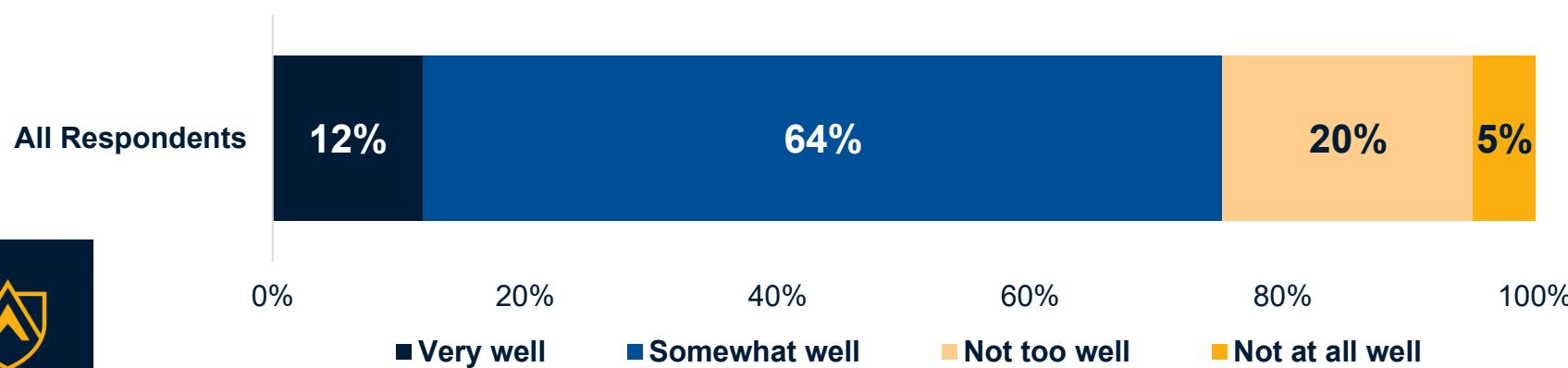
## What policy or issue was most important to you as you decided how you would vote today?



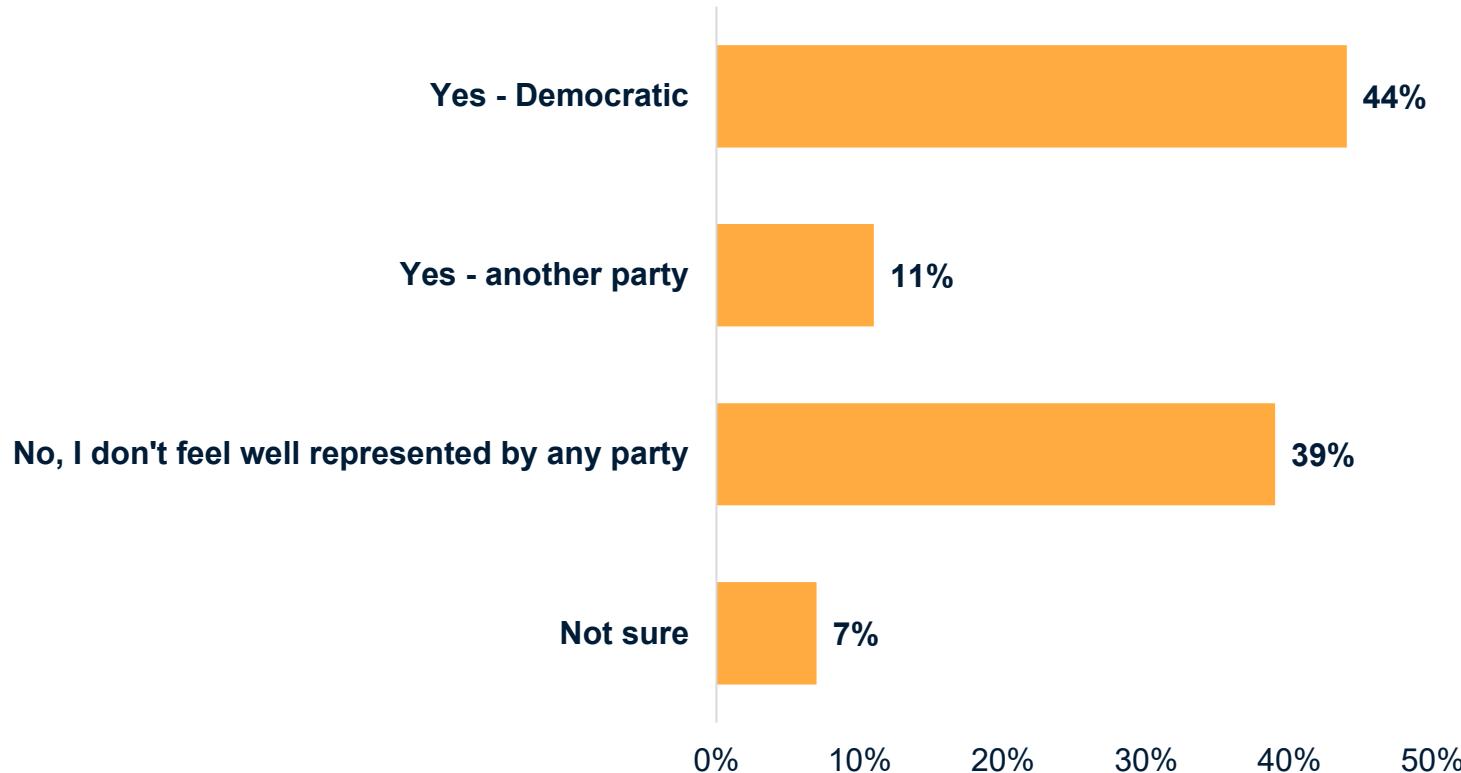
## In general, how well do you think the political system is working in Colorado today?



## How well do you think the current political parties in Colorado represent the interests of its residents?



## Do you feel well represented by any current political party?



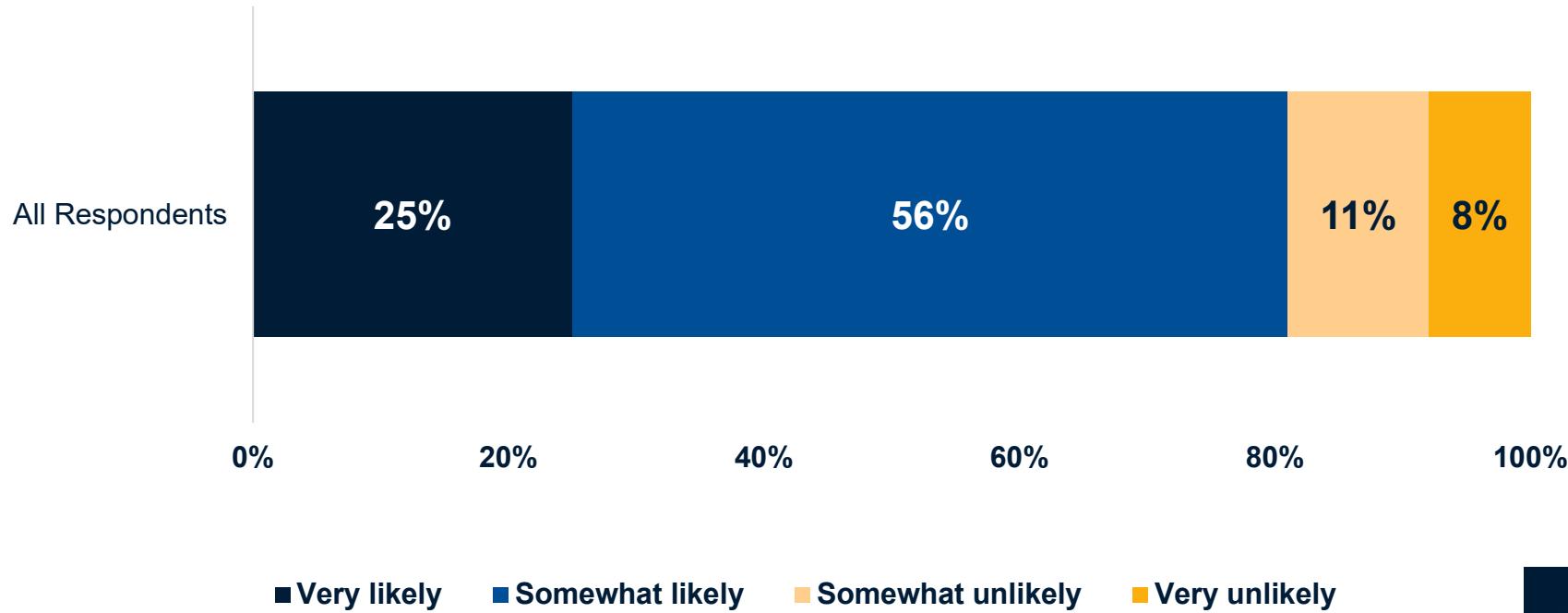
## Did you consider party affiliation when selecting which candidates to vote for during this local election?



## Have you ever voted for a candidate who was not associated with the Republican or Democratic parties?

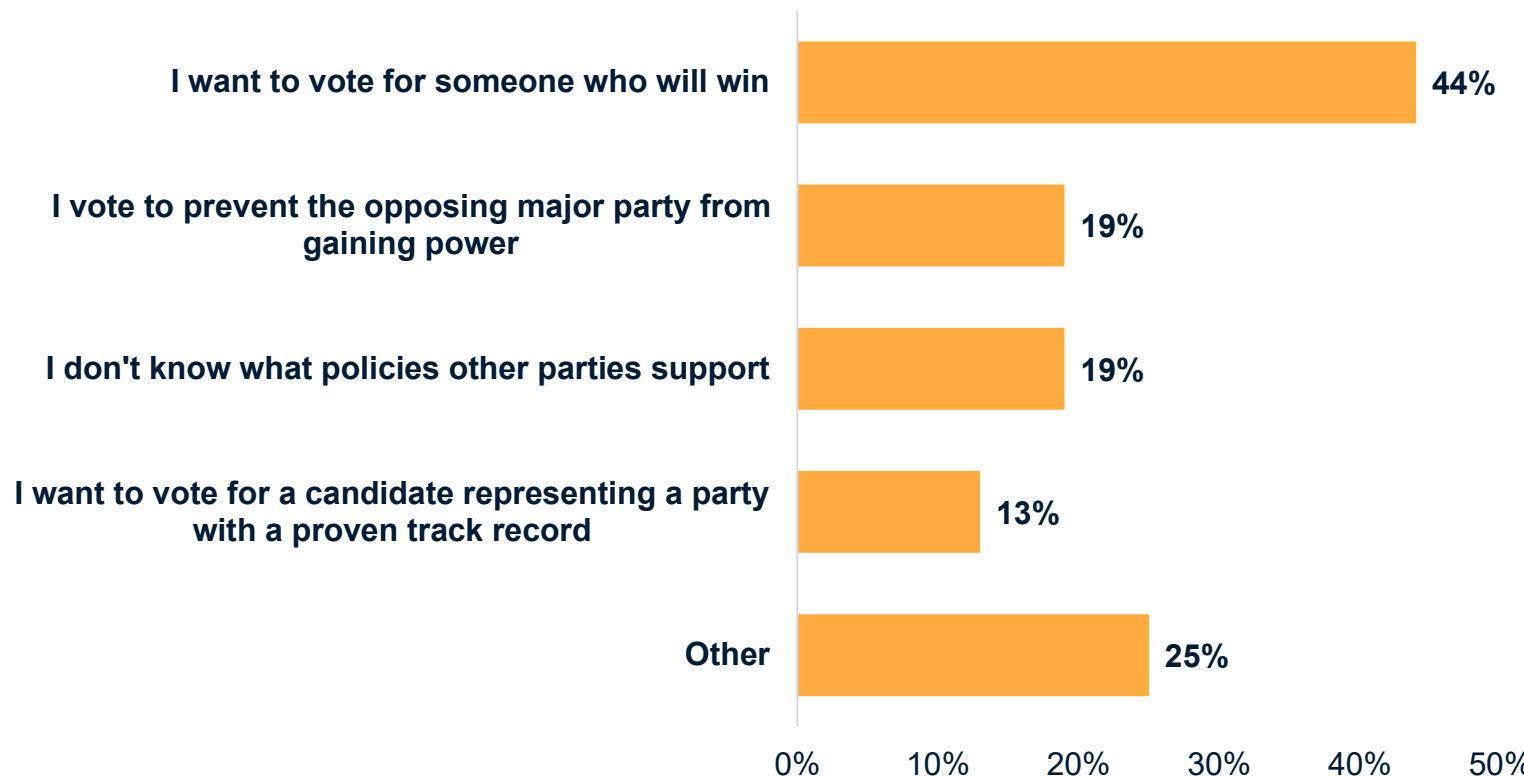


## How likely or unlikely would you be to vote in a future election for a candidate who is not associated with the Republican or Democratic parties?



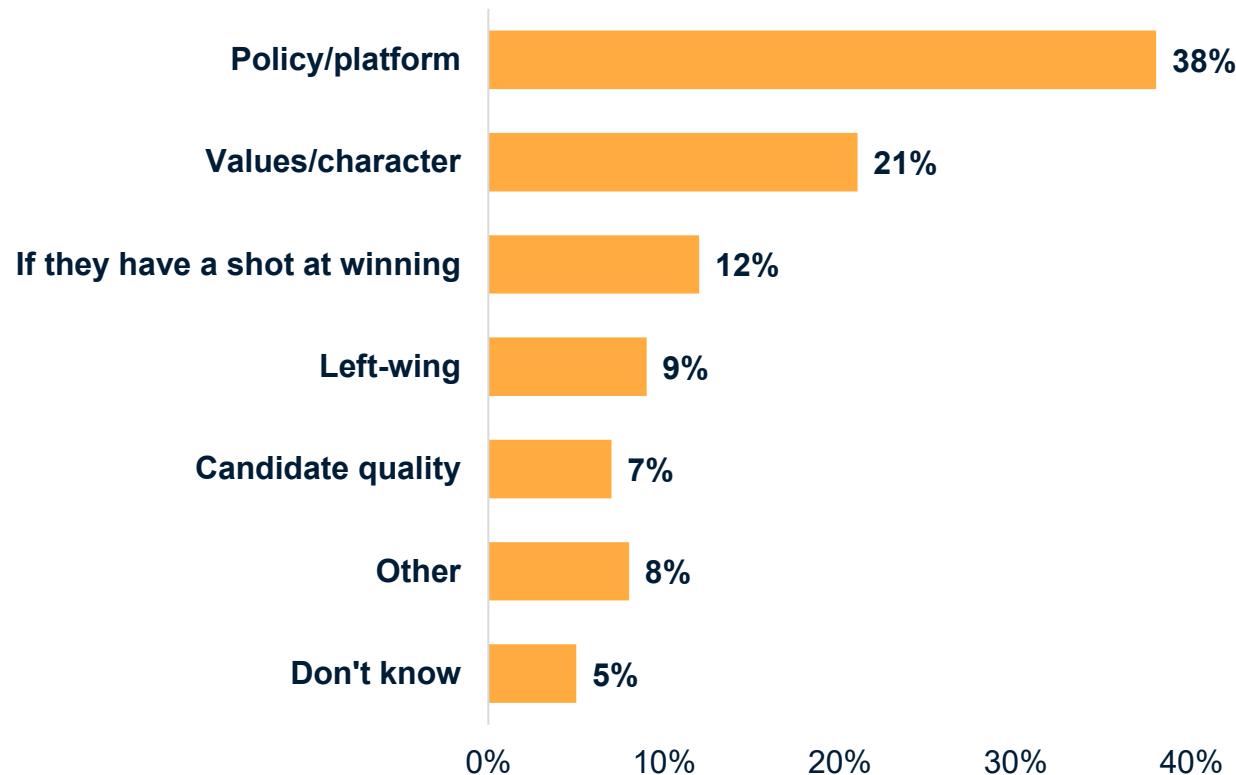
# Why are you unlikely to vote for a candidate who is not associated with the Republican or Democratic parties?

(Multiple Responses) n=16

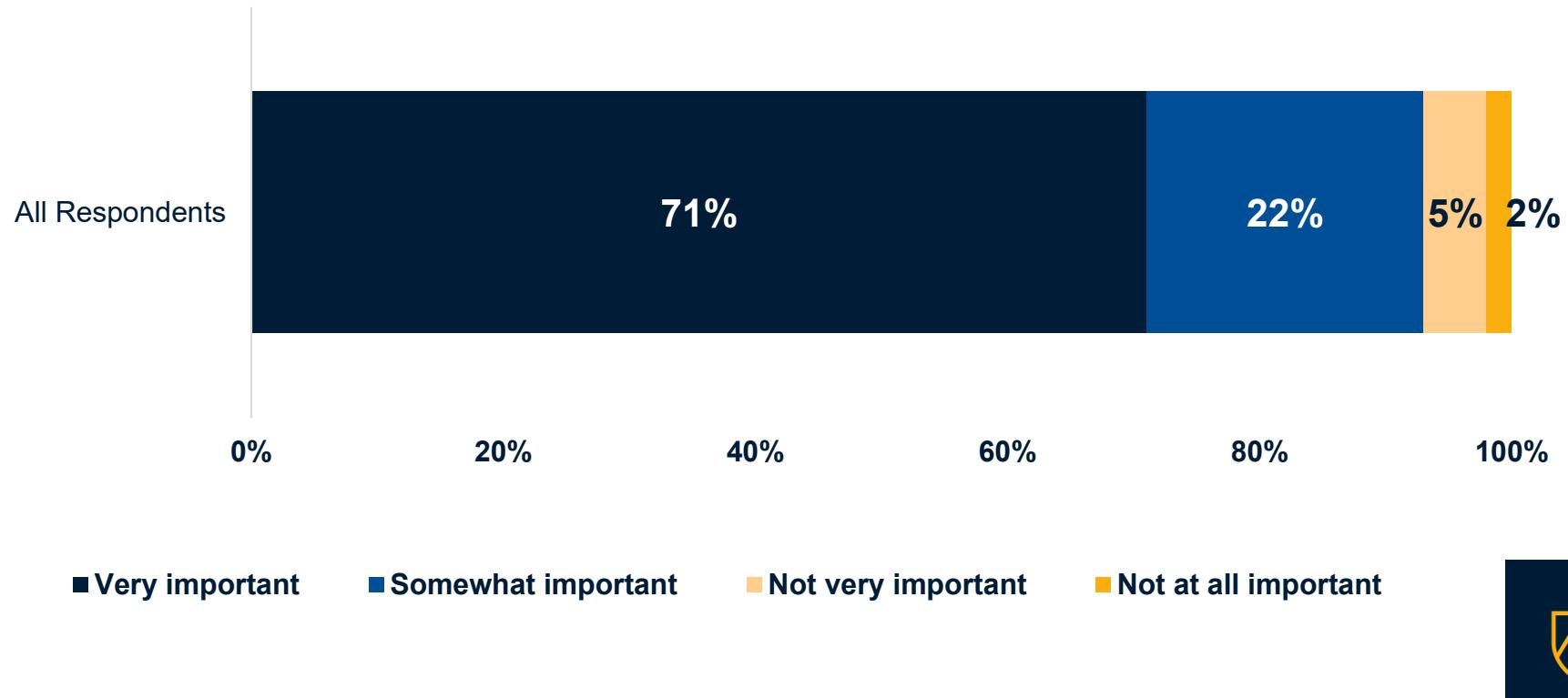


# What would make you consider voting for a candidate who is not associated with the Republican or Democratic parties?

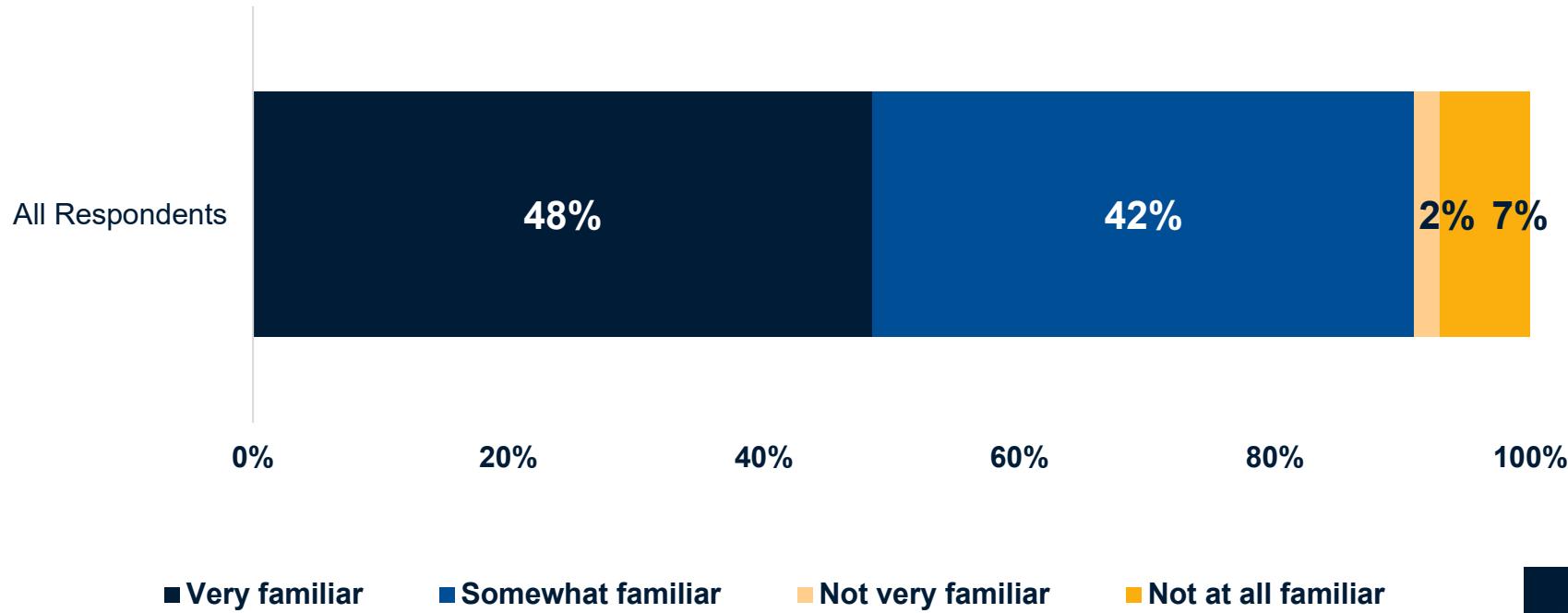
(Open Ended) n=76



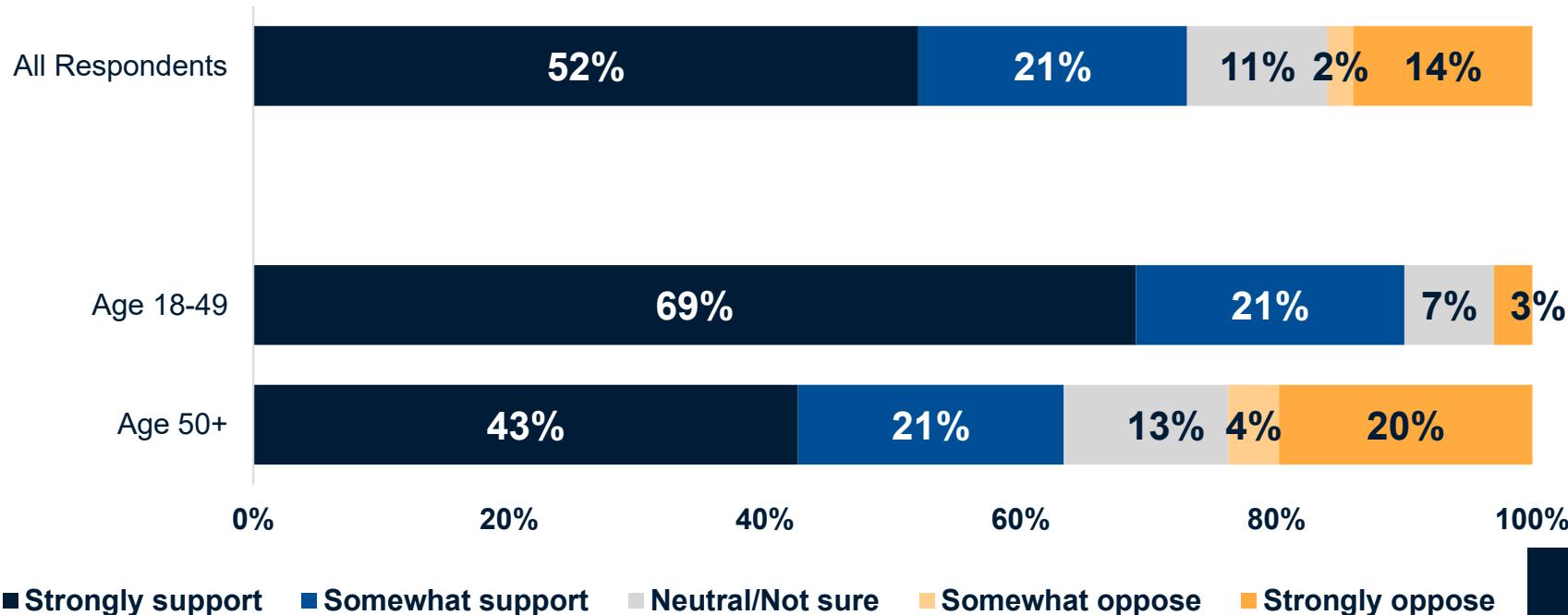
## How important is it to you that Colorado elections allow candidates who are not associated with the two major parties to be listed on the ballot?



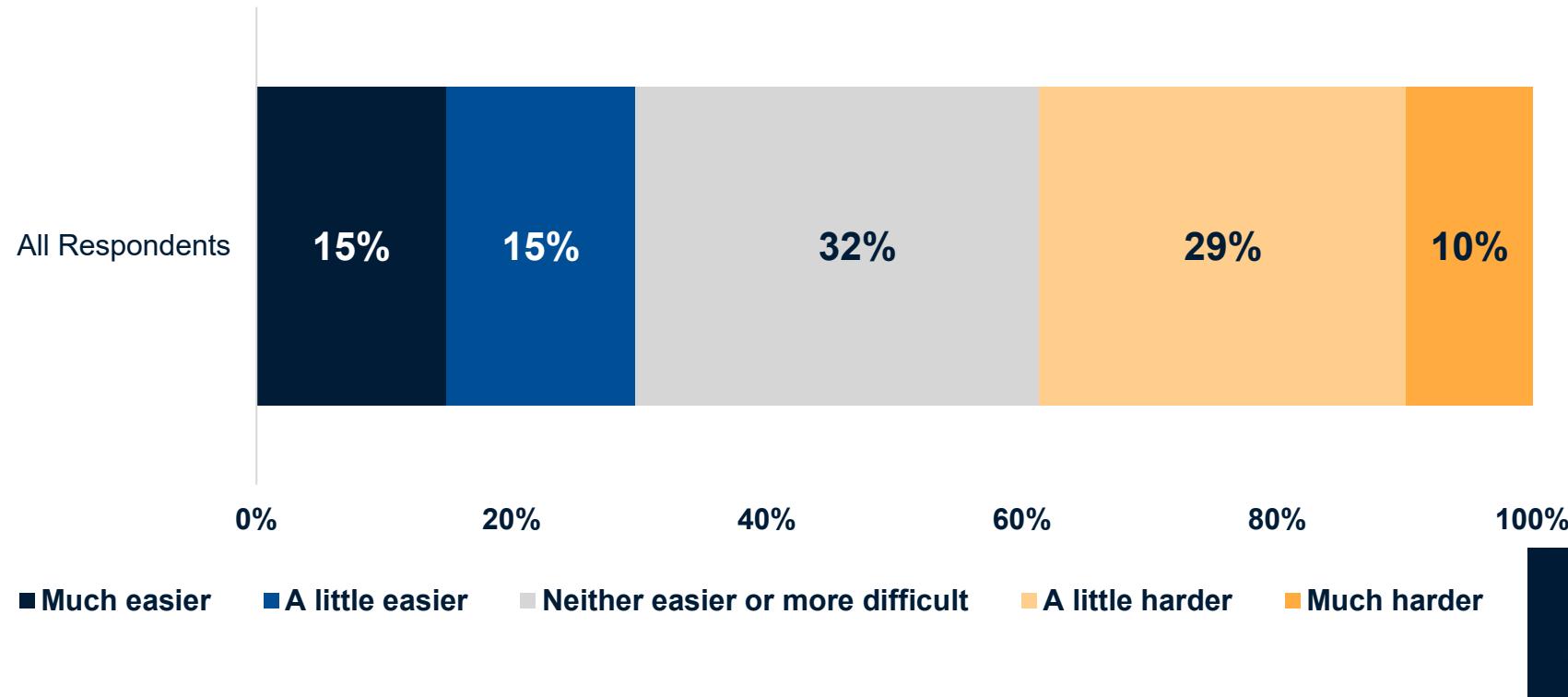
**Ranked choice voting is a method that allows voters to rank candidates in order of preference, rather than choosing just one candidate. How familiar are you with ranked choice voting?**



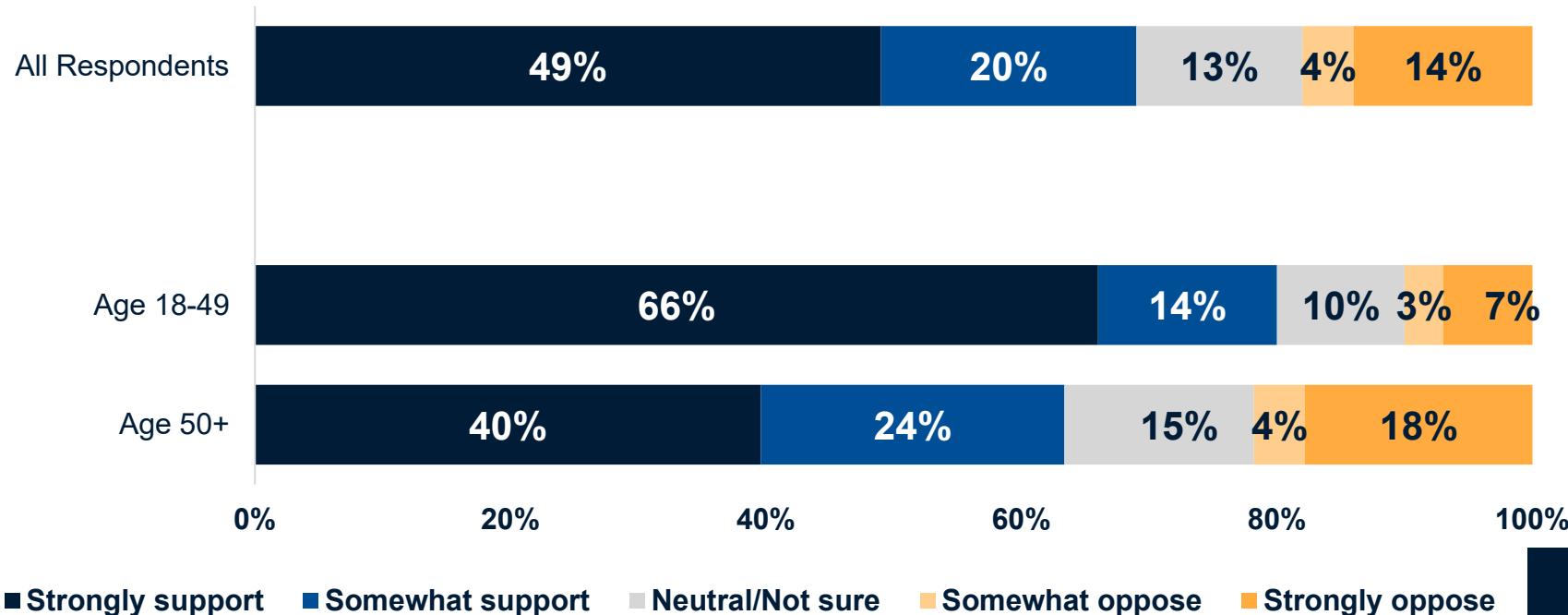
**Fort Collins implemented ranked choice voting for the election of local officials for the first time in 2025. Do you support or oppose the continued use of ranked choice voting in your local community?**



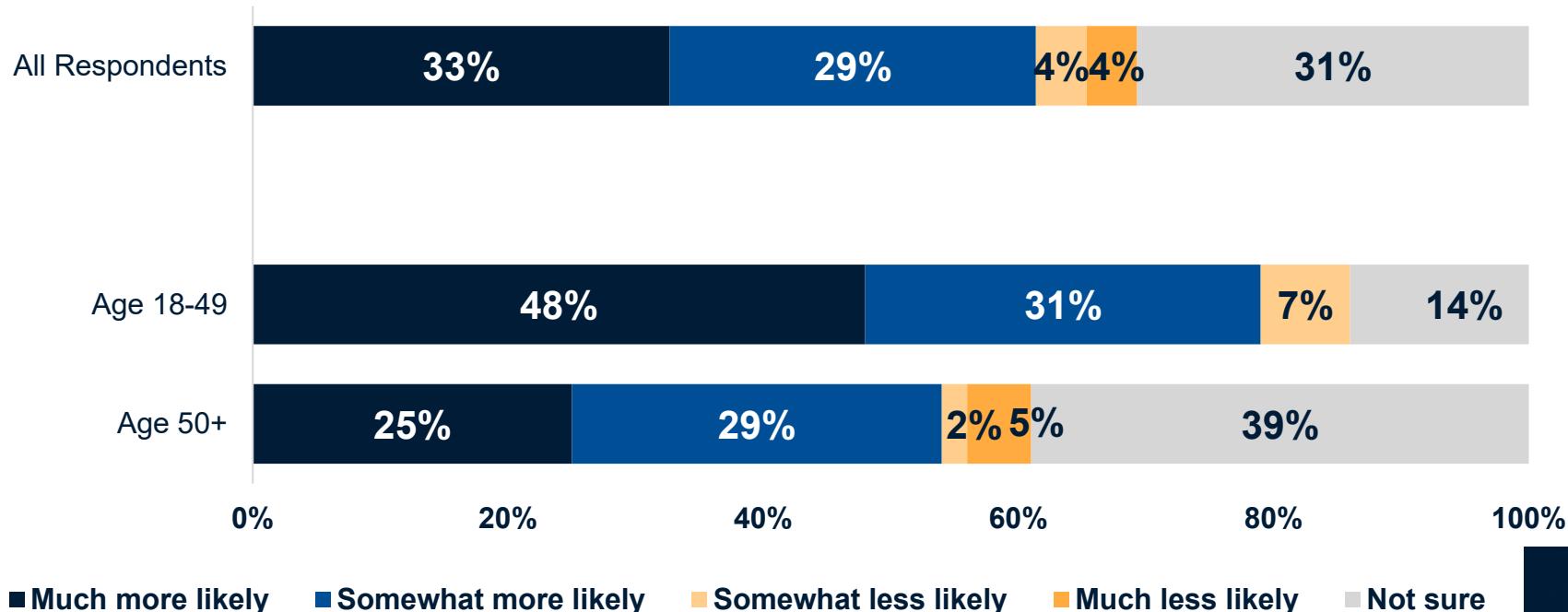
## Did the use of ranked choice voting in the 2025 election make it easier or more difficult for you to decide how to fill out your ballot?



# Do you support or oppose implementing ranked choice voting in future Colorado statewide elections?



# Would the use of ranked choice voting in future elections make you more or less likely to vote for a candidate who is not associated with one of the two major parties?





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