

BETTER WORLD CAMPAIGN

Voter Perceptions of Relationship Between U.S.
and the United Nations

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KEY FINDINGS

- 1 Voters largely support the core work that the UN conducts around the world.
 - 67% of voters say they support the work that the United Nations does to address issues globally.
- 2 Voters also recognize the importance of the U.S.' participation in the UN, with 51% saying it's *very important* for the U.S. to be a part of the organization.
 - Perceptions of importance vary by education level, with more educated voters more likely to say it's important for the U.S. to be a part of the UN.
- 3 When it comes to global priorities, three in five voters view global health issues (59%) and terrorism (58%) as the *top priorities* for the U.S. to address globally.
- 4 And, sizable majorities of key demographics say the U.S. should work cooperatively through international institutions to address conflicts abroad.

METHODOLOGY

National Survey Methodology

This poll was conducted between December 2-December 18, 2020 among a national sample of 9960 Registered Voters. The interviews were conducted online and the data were weighted to approximate a target sample of Registered Voters based on age, gender, educational attainment, race, and region. Results from the full survey have a margin of error of plus or minus 1 percentage points.

Multilevel Regression with Poststratification (MRP) Methodology

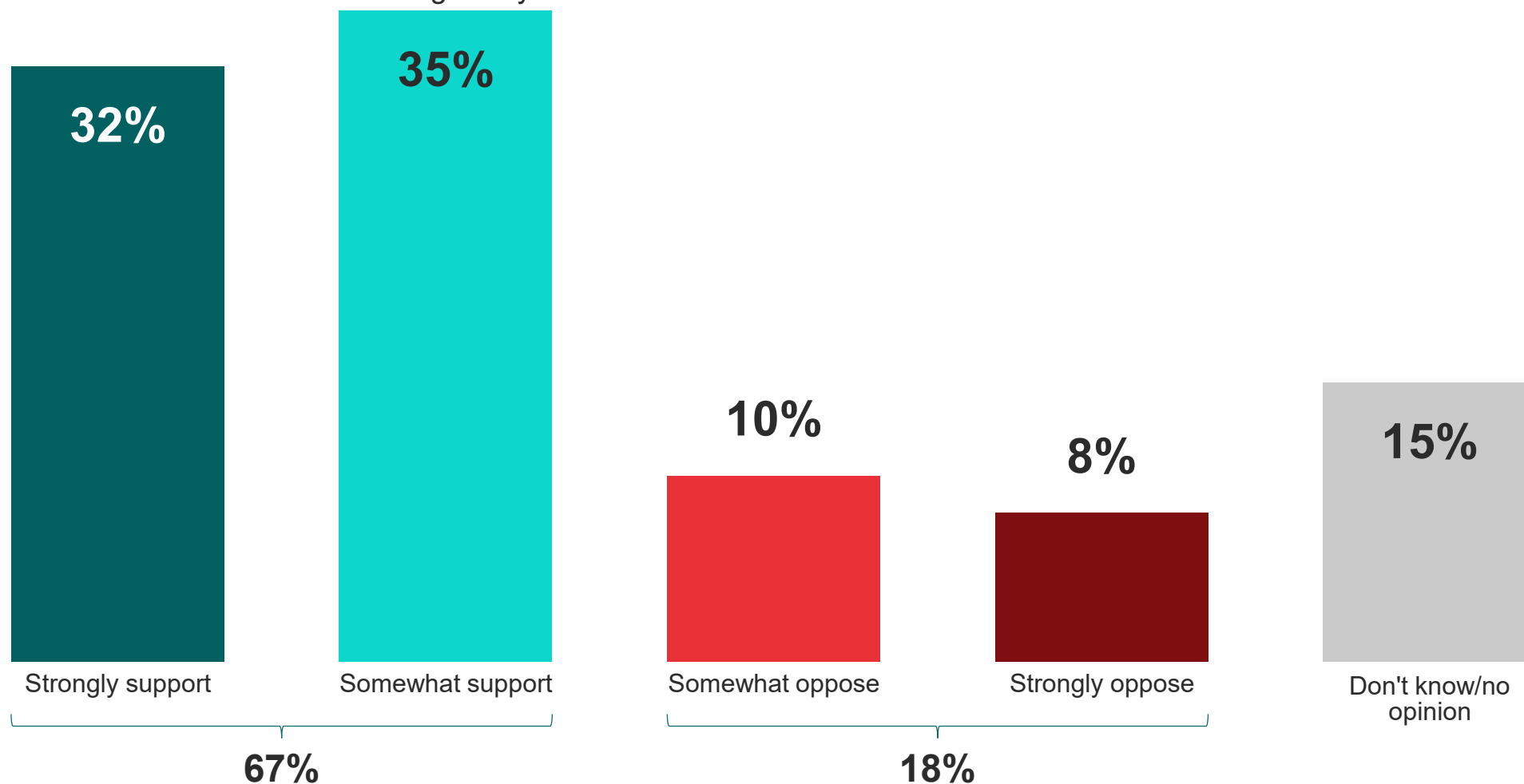
Responses to the survey questions are modeled via multilevel regression as a function of both individual level and state-level variables. Our models use age, gender, education and race as individual-level predictor variables. For our state-level variables, we chose variables that may influence state-level vote choice such as the percent change in state gross domestic product (GDP), state unemployment rates, state median household income and state-level outcomes from the 2020 presidential election.

Morning Consult obtained population parameters for registered voters from the November 2016 Current Population Survey. We applied post-stratification weights at the state level based on gender, age, educational attainment and race using the American Community Survey (ACS).

STATE-LEVEL RESEARCH

Two thirds of registered voters (67%) support the work the UN does to address issues globally, including one third (32%) who *strongly support* it.

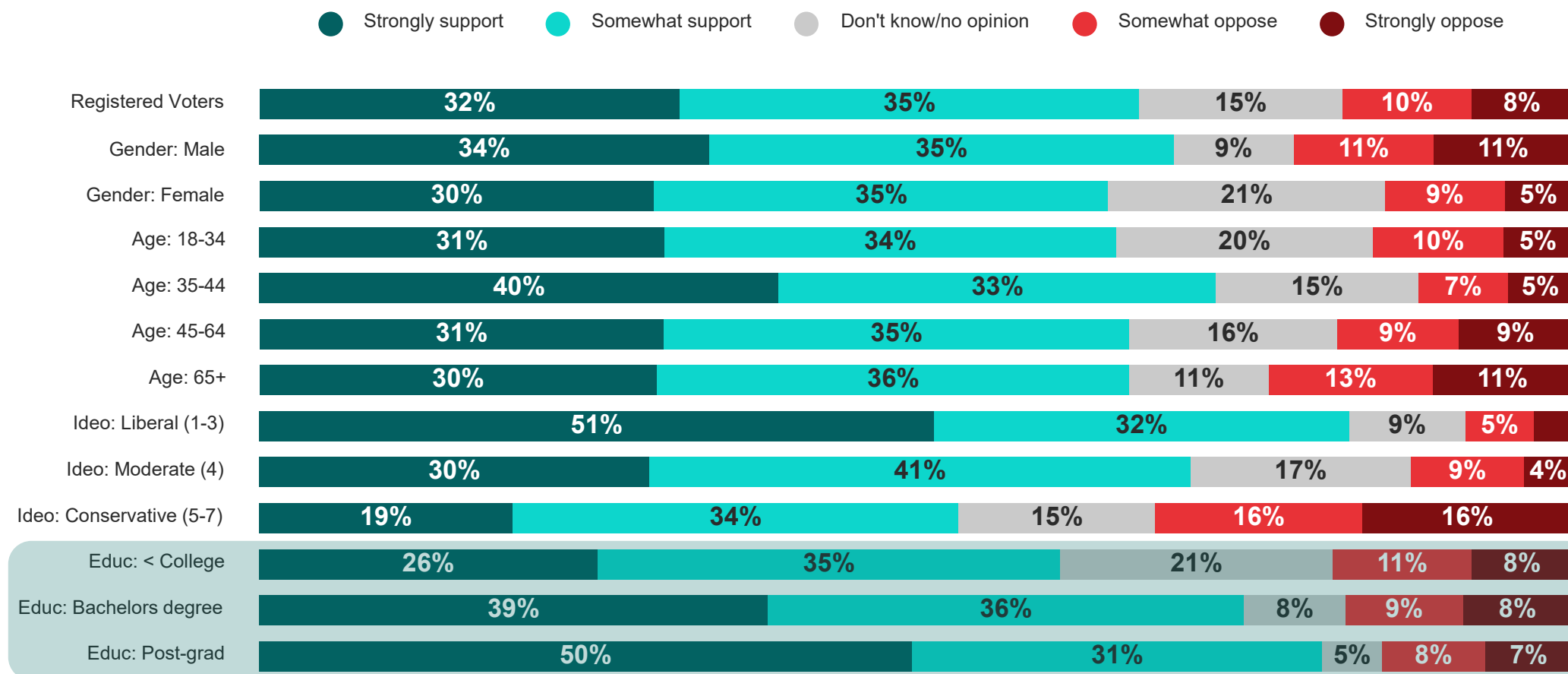
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A majority of registered voters across key demographics support the work the UN does to address global issues. Notably, support increases with education level.

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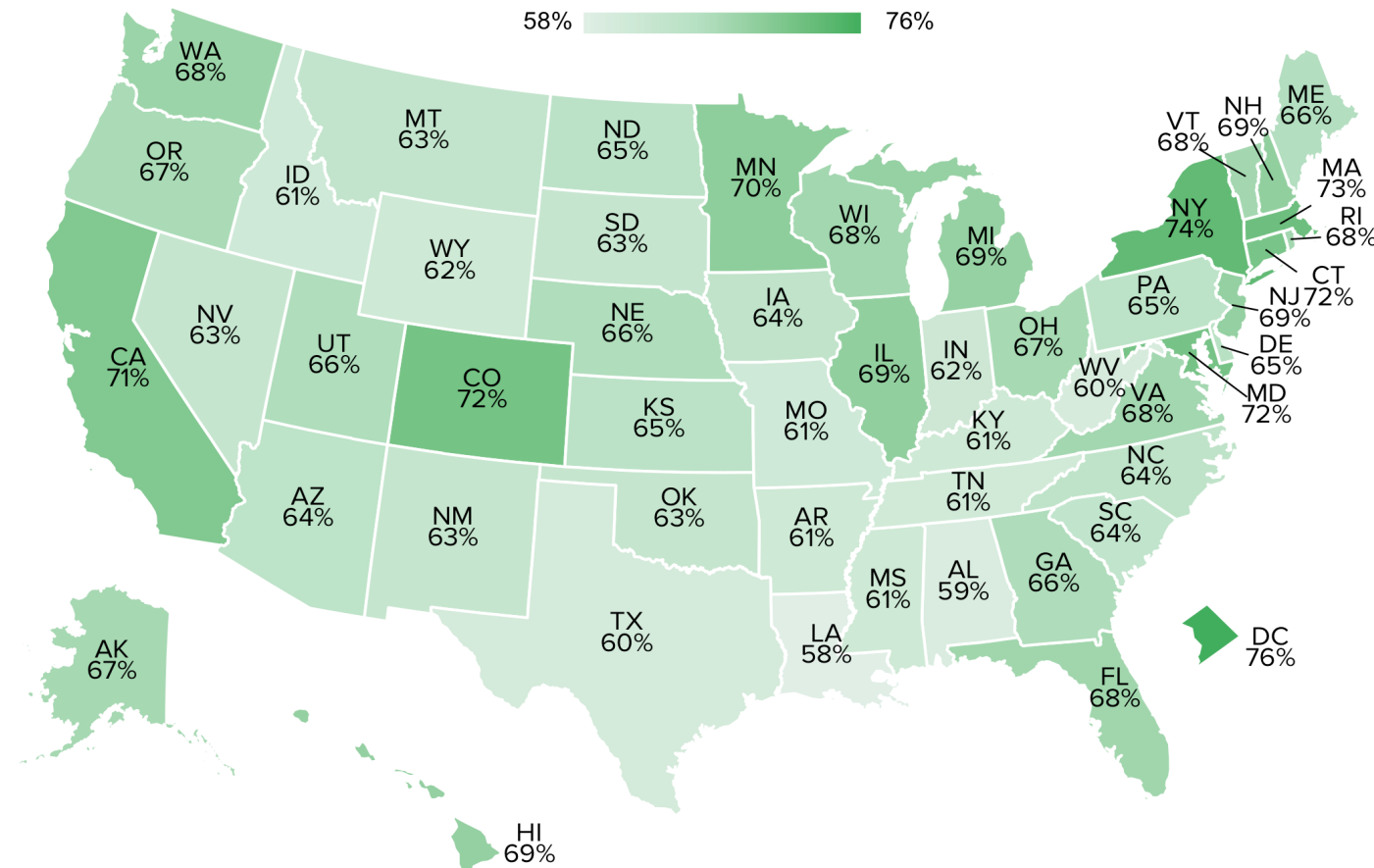


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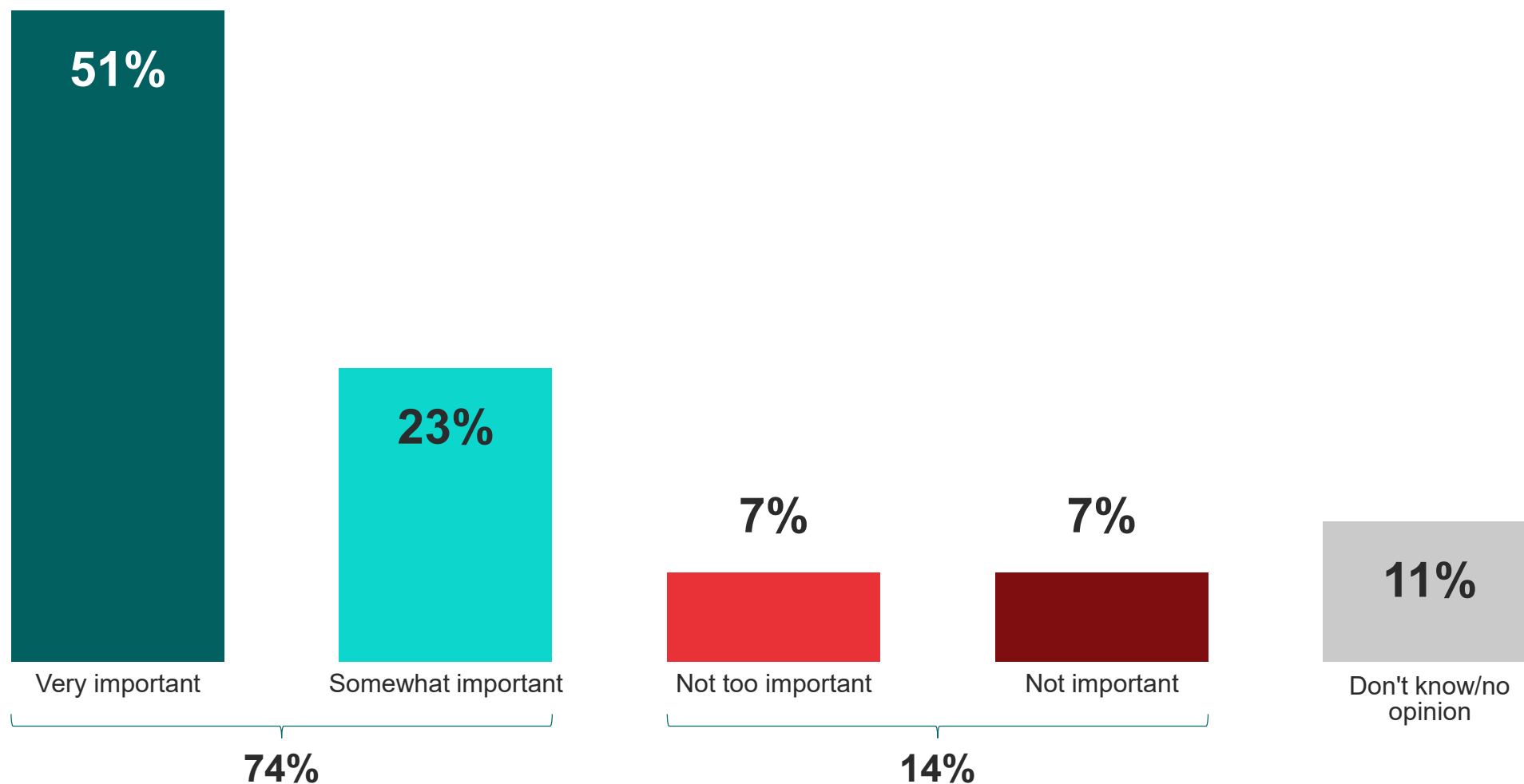
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Three quarters of registered voters (74%) say it's important for the U.S. to be a member of the United Nations, including half (51%) who say it's *very important*.

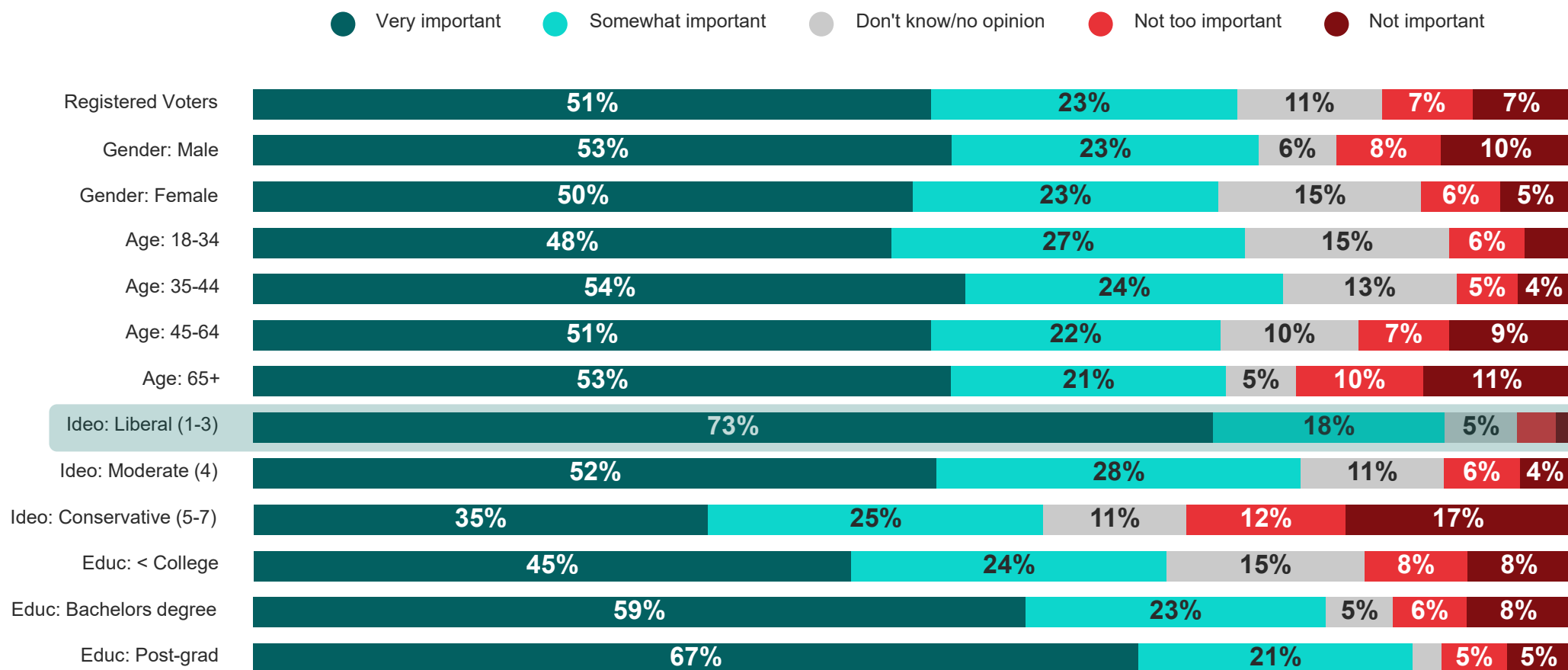
How important is it, if at all, for the U.S. to be a member of the United Nations?



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Of the following demographics, liberal voters are most likely to say that it's important for the U.S. to be a member of the United Nations (91%).

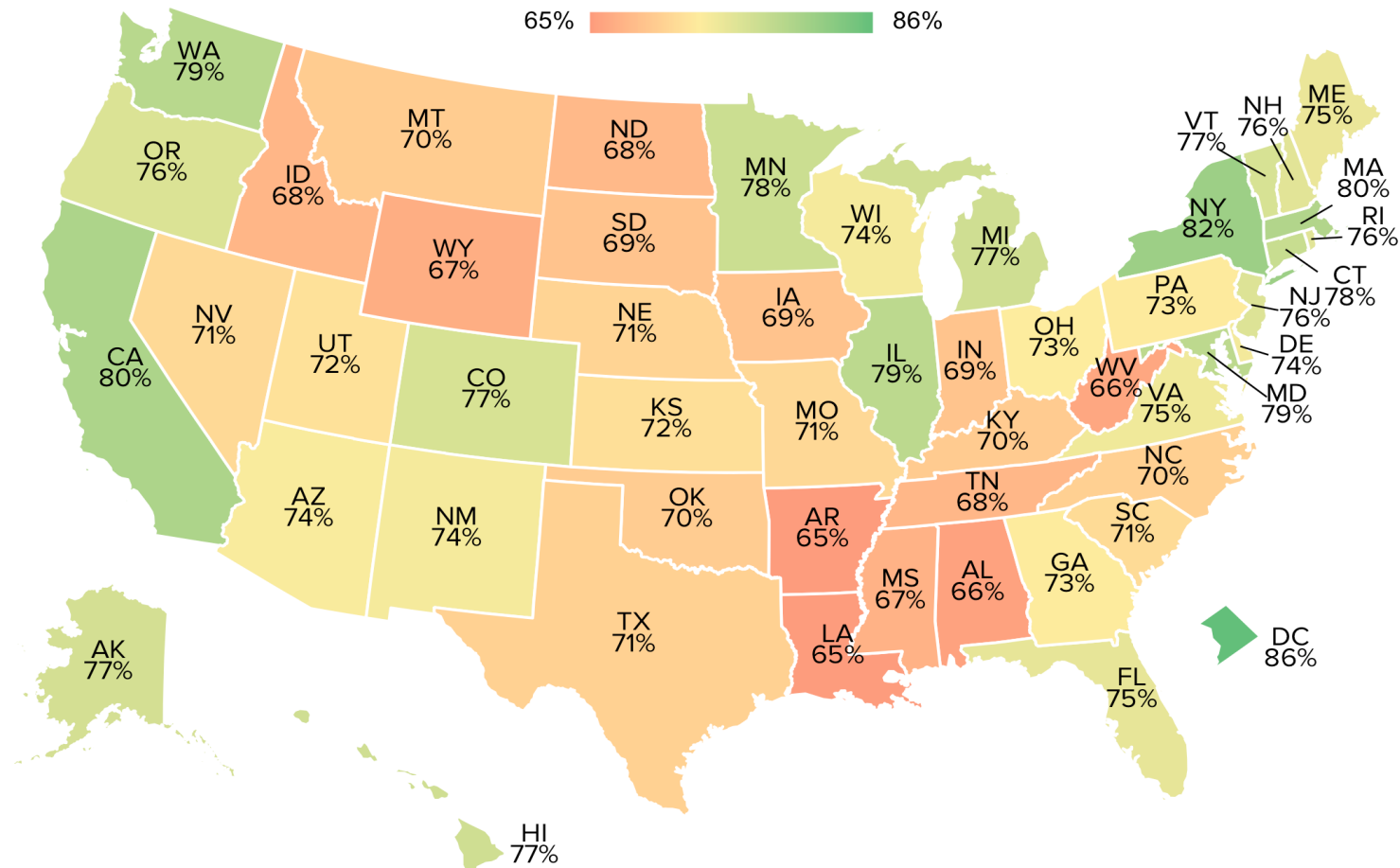
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Importance of the U.S. Being a Member of the UN

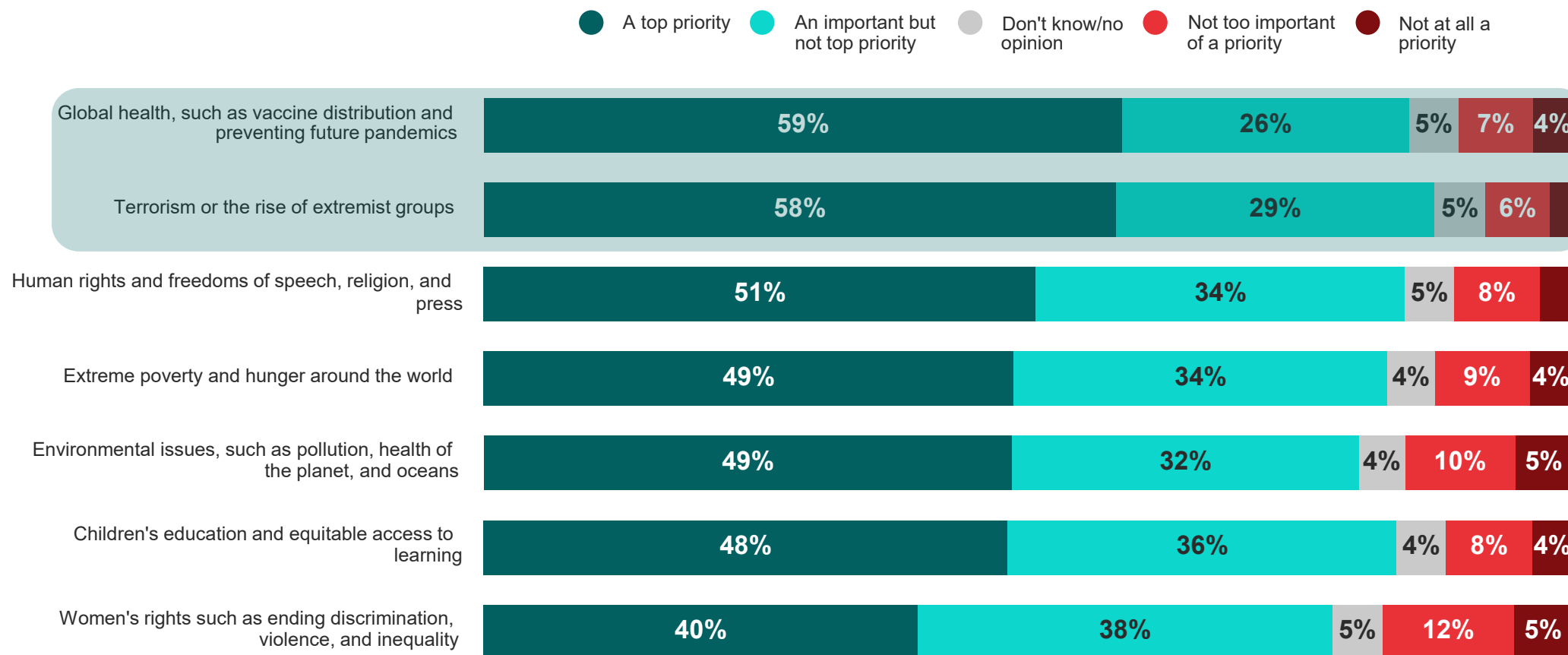
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While a majority of voters view each tested issue as a priority, three in five voters view global health issues (59%) and terrorism (58%) as the *top priorities* for the U.S. to address globally.

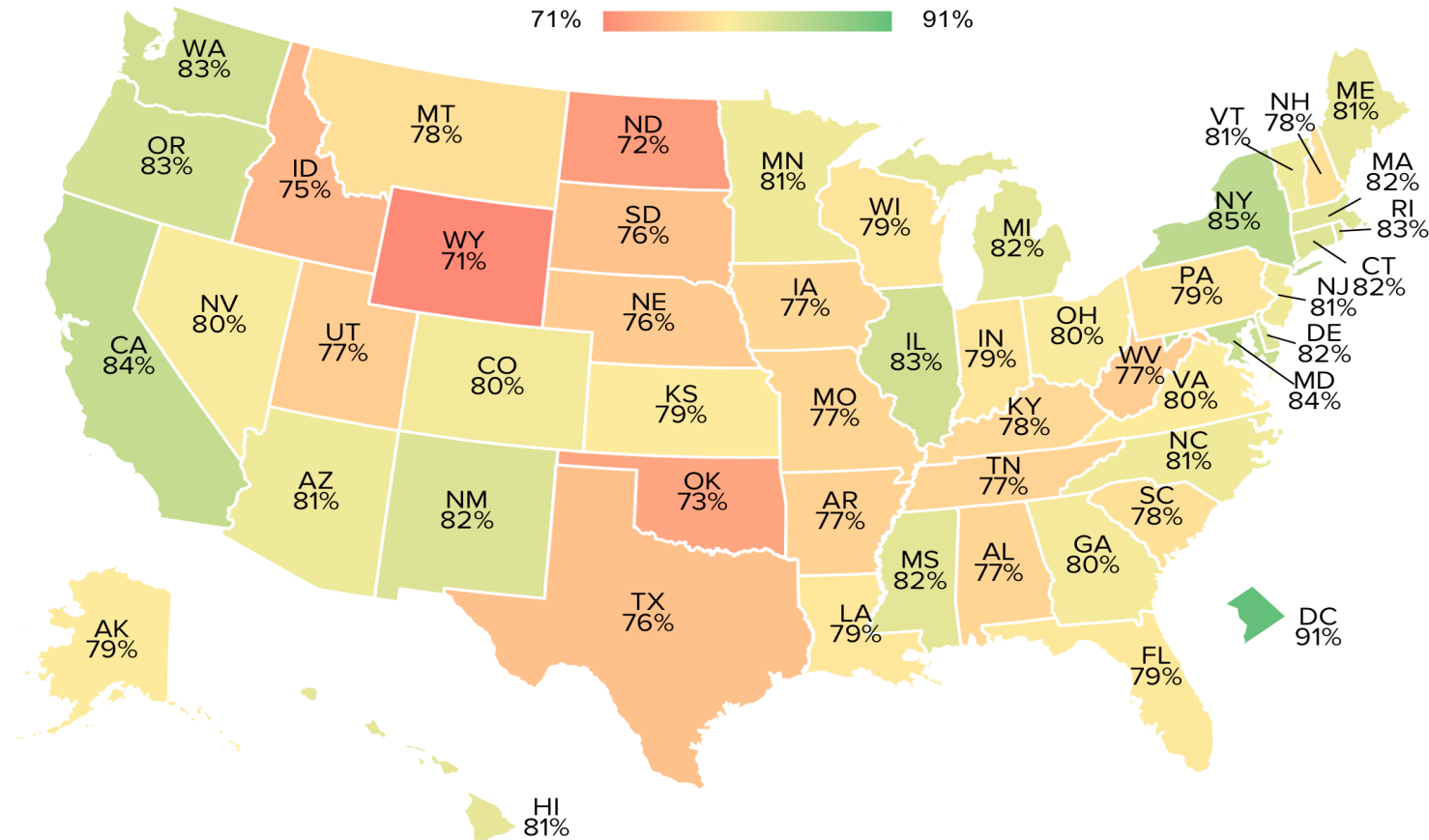
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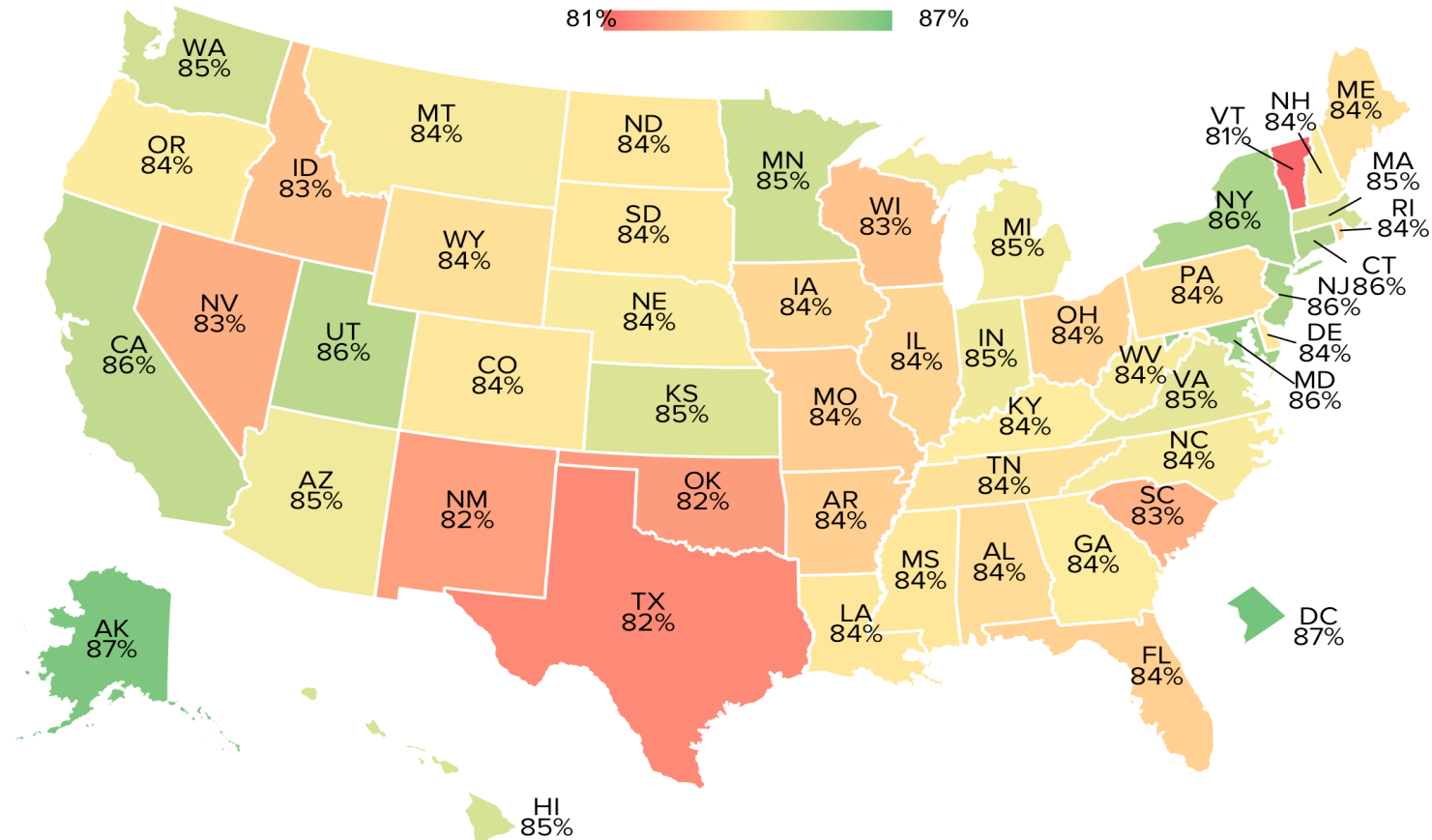
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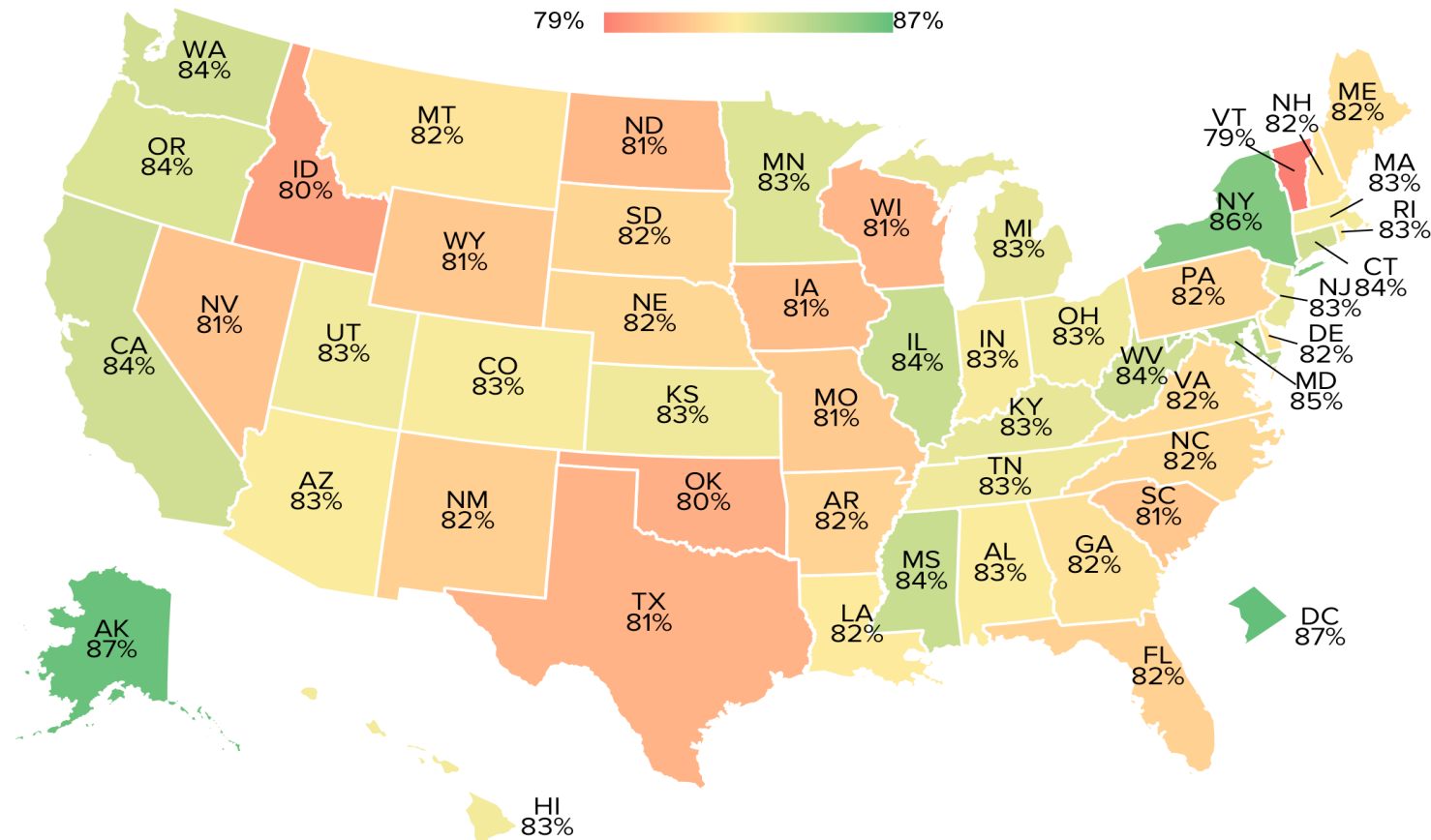
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Priority for the U.S. to Address Poverty and Hunger

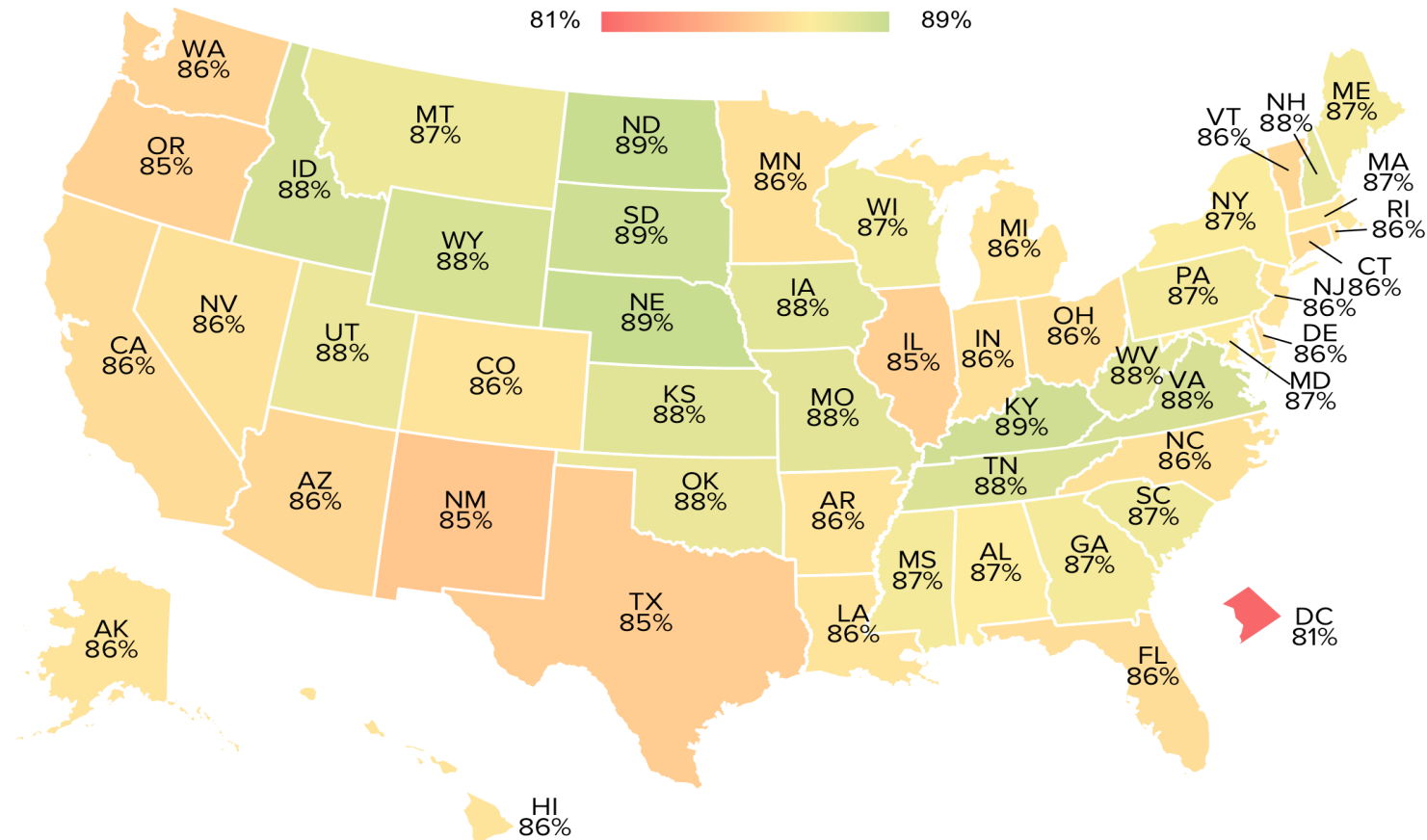
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Priority for the U.S. to Address Terrorism

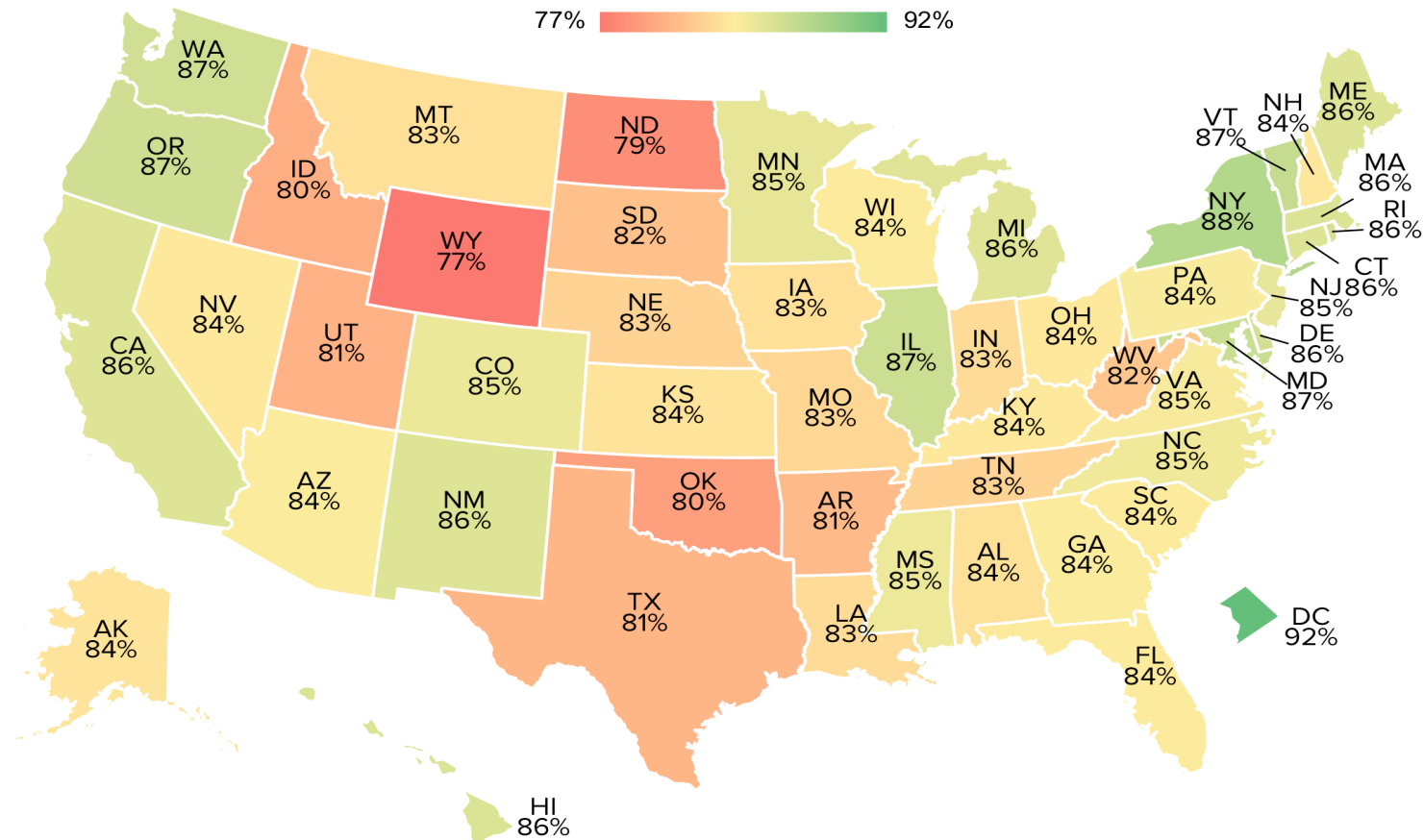
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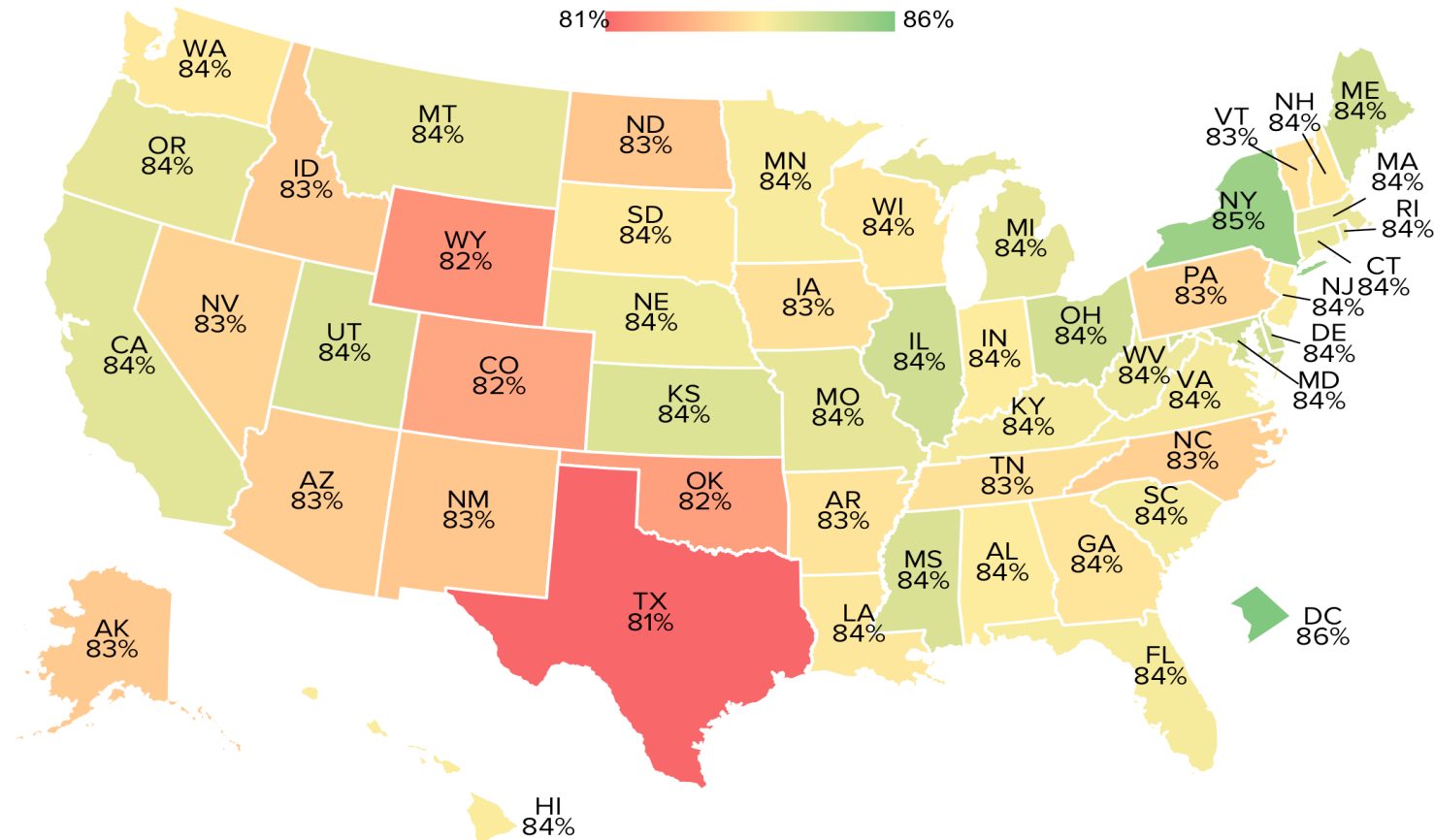
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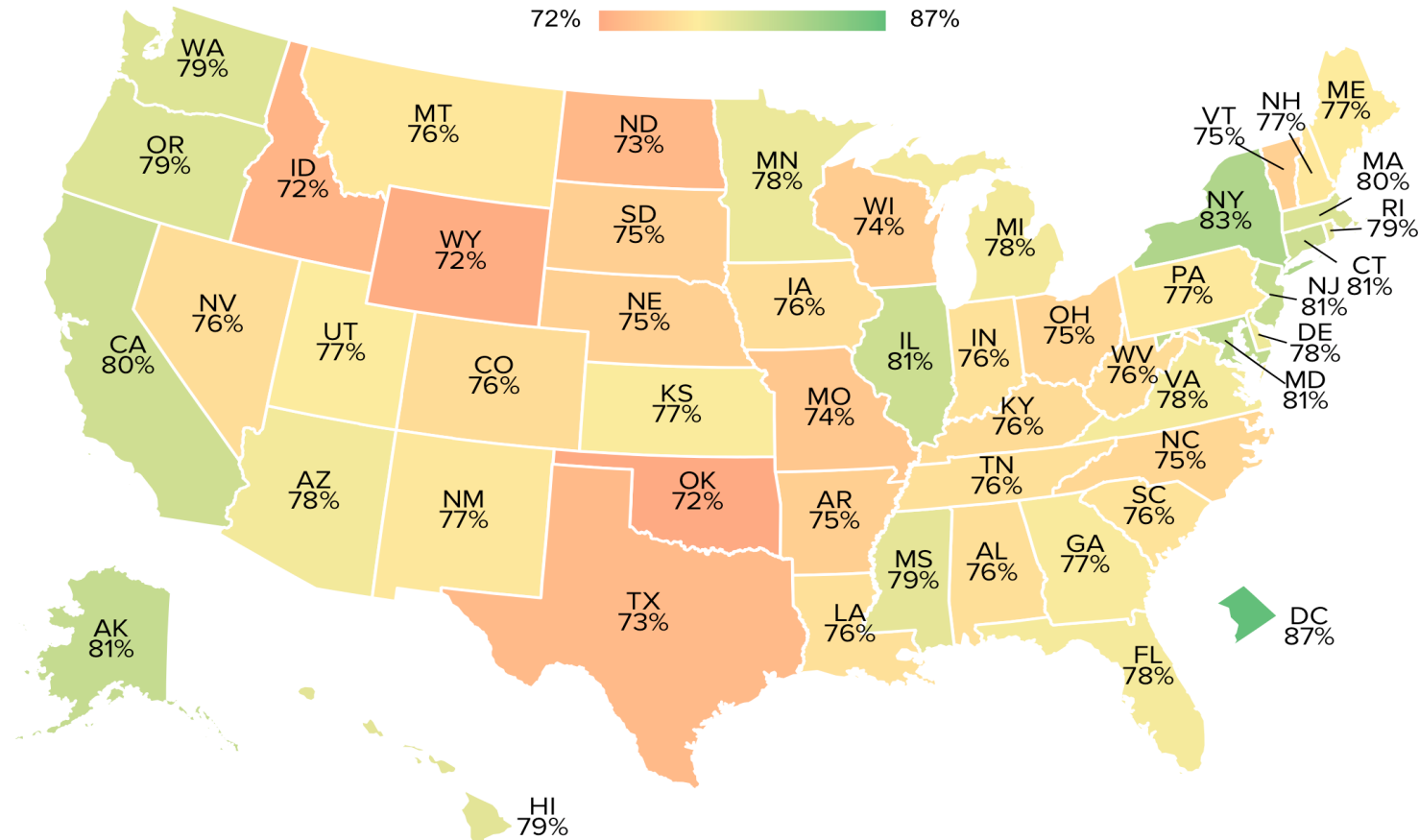
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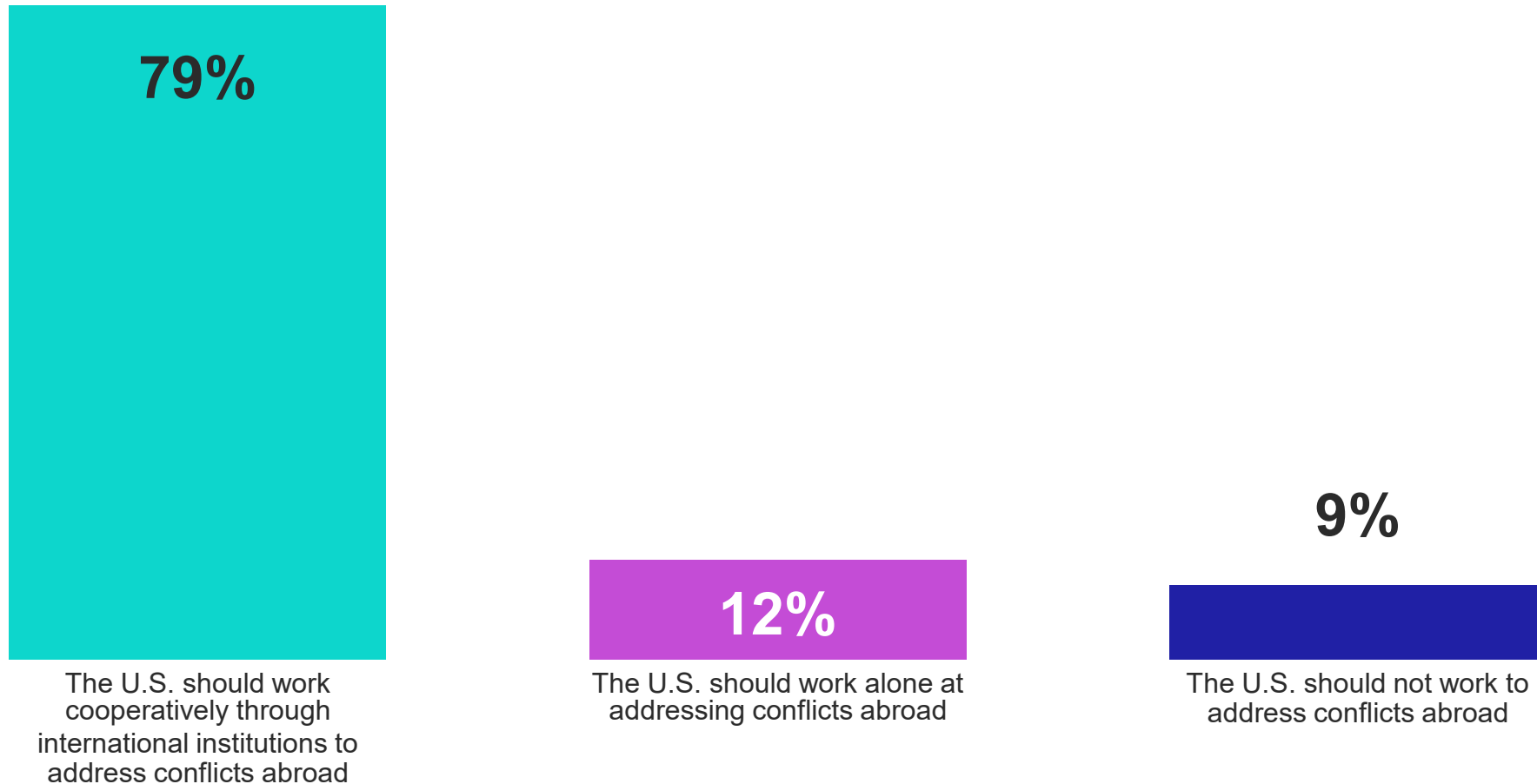
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STATE-LEVEL RESEARCH

Over three quarters of voters (79%) say the U.S. should work cooperatively through international institutions to address conflicts abroad.

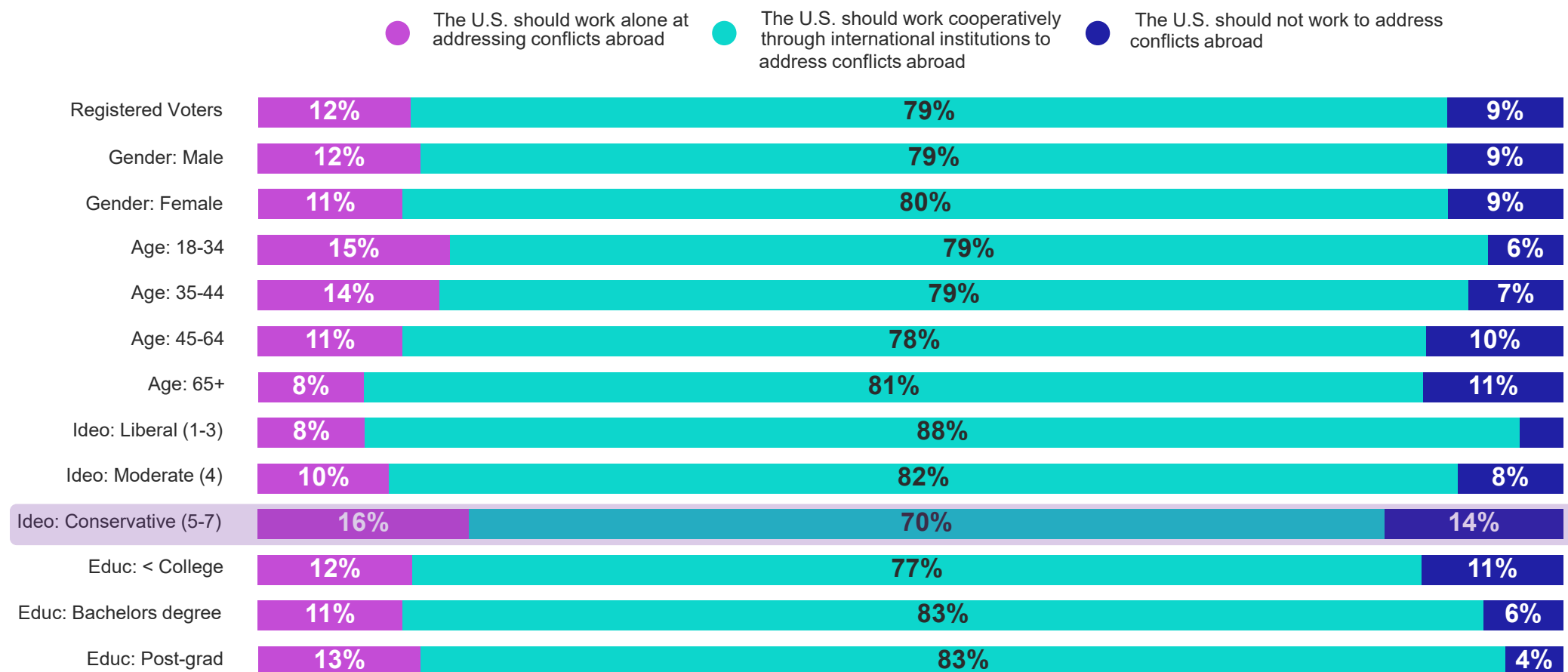
As you think about U.S. action to address conflicts abroad, do you believe the U.S. should work cooperatively through international institutions to address conflicts abroad or work alone at addressing conflicts abroad?



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This includes sizable majorities of key demographics, although conservative voters are slightly more likely to say the U.S. should work alone (16%) or not address conflicts abroad (14%).

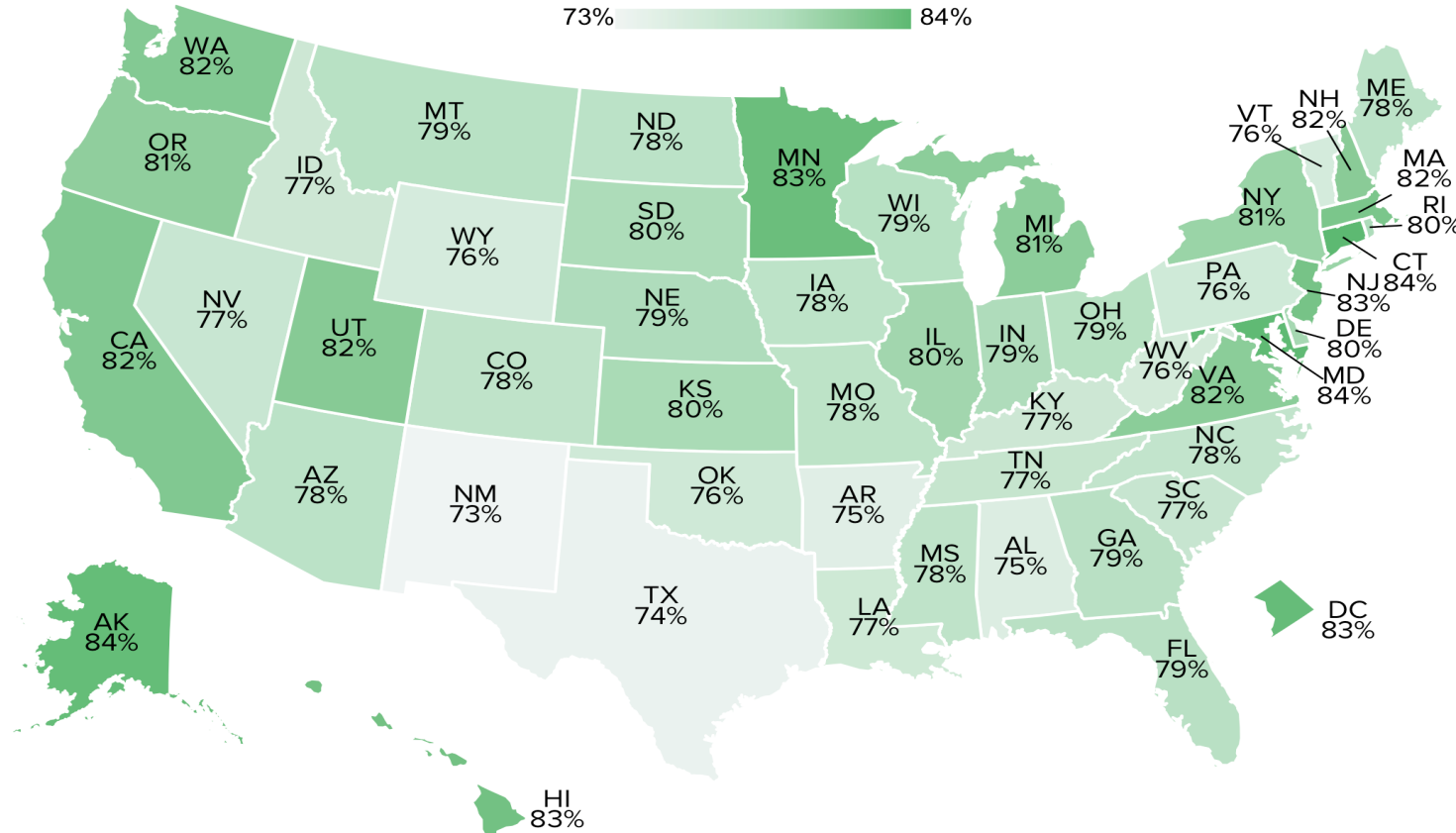
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The U.S. Should Work Cooperatively to Address Conflicts

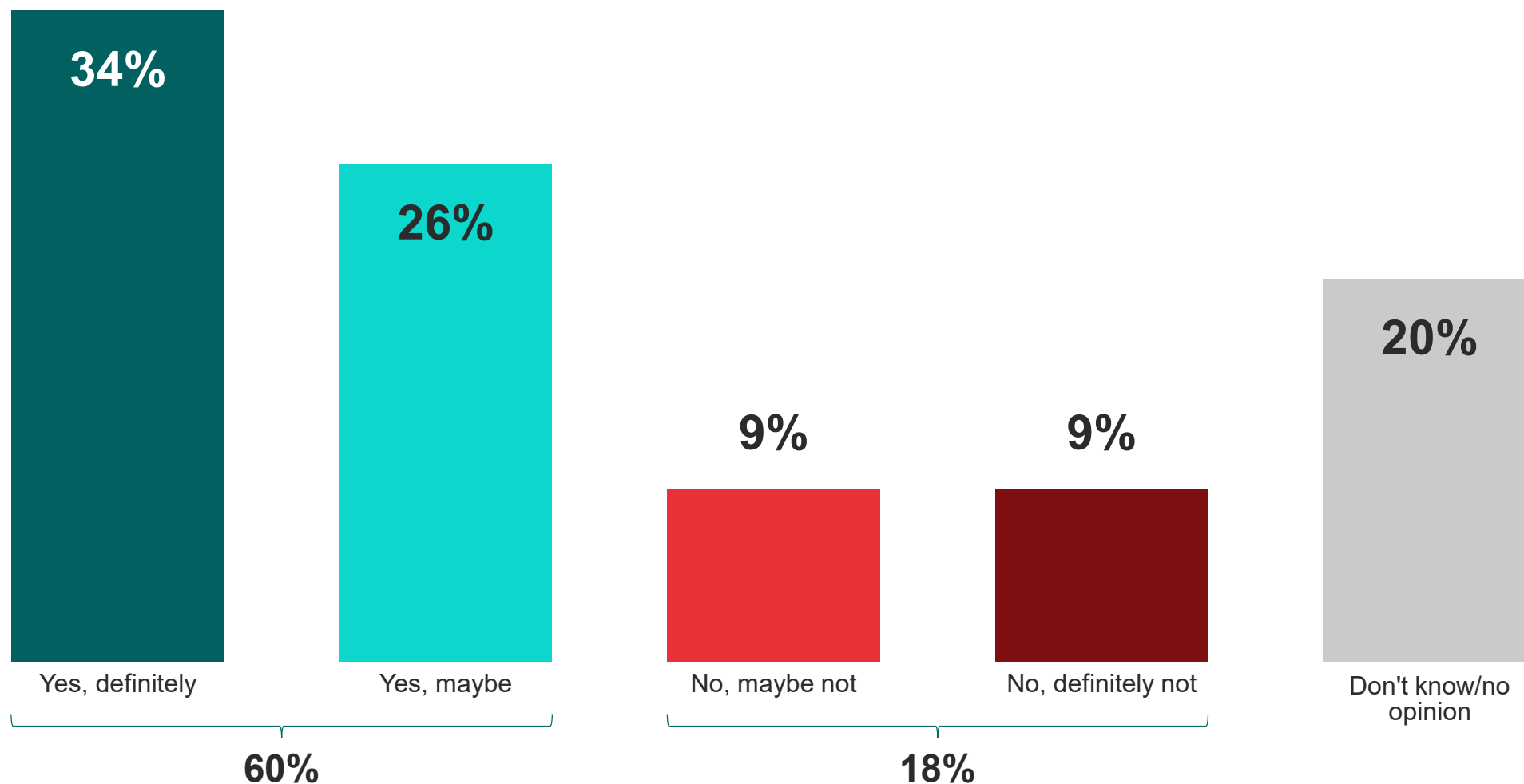
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Three in five voters (60%) believe their member of Congress should take action to continue U.S. funding for the UN.

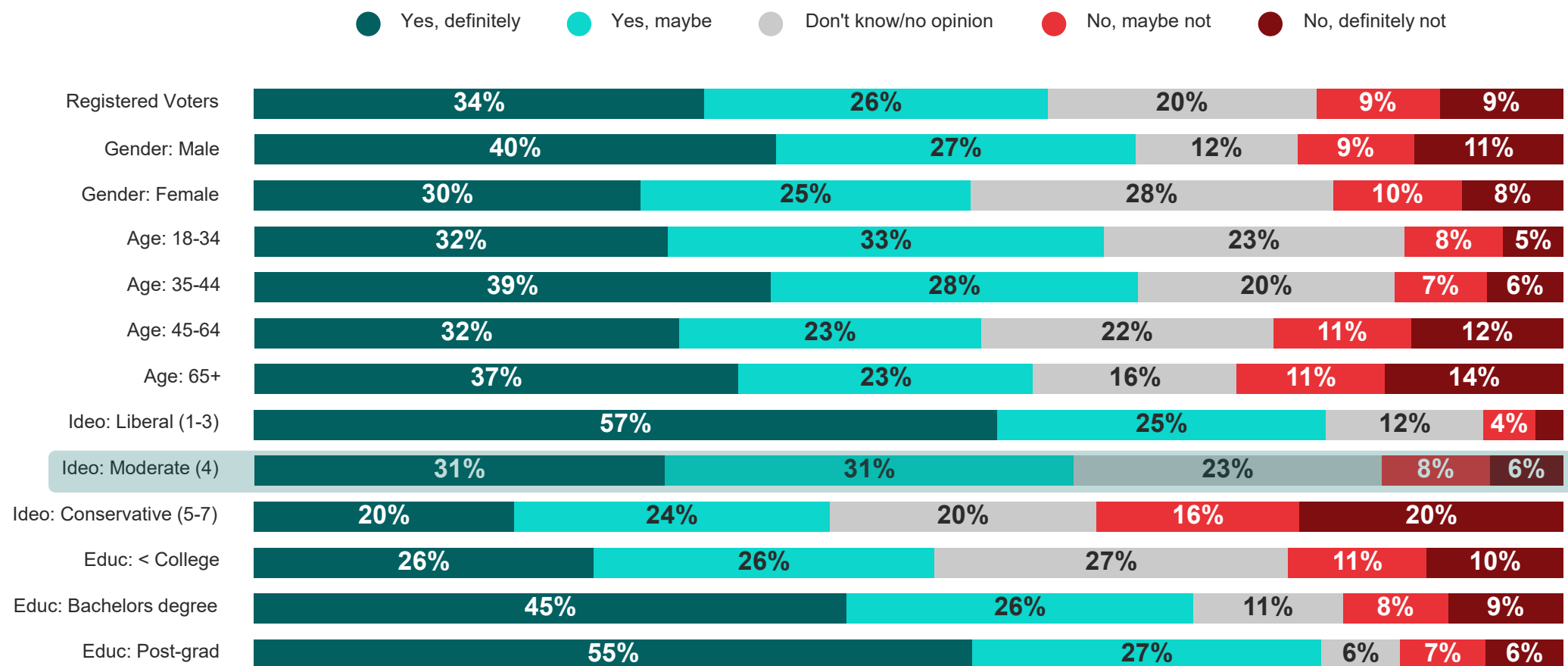
In your opinion, do you believe your Member of Congress should take action to continue U.S. funding for the UN, or not?



STATE-LEVEL RESEARCH

This includes three in five moderate voters (62%) who say their member of Congress should take action to continue U.S. funding for the UN.

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Congress Should Continue to Fund the UN: Total Agreement

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