

Where Americans Stand on Federal Economic & Safety-Net Proposals

Total support for nine federal policy proposals among all adults — with a partisan read on how Republicans, Democrats, and 2024 Trump voters favor each.

1,501

U.S. adults surveyed

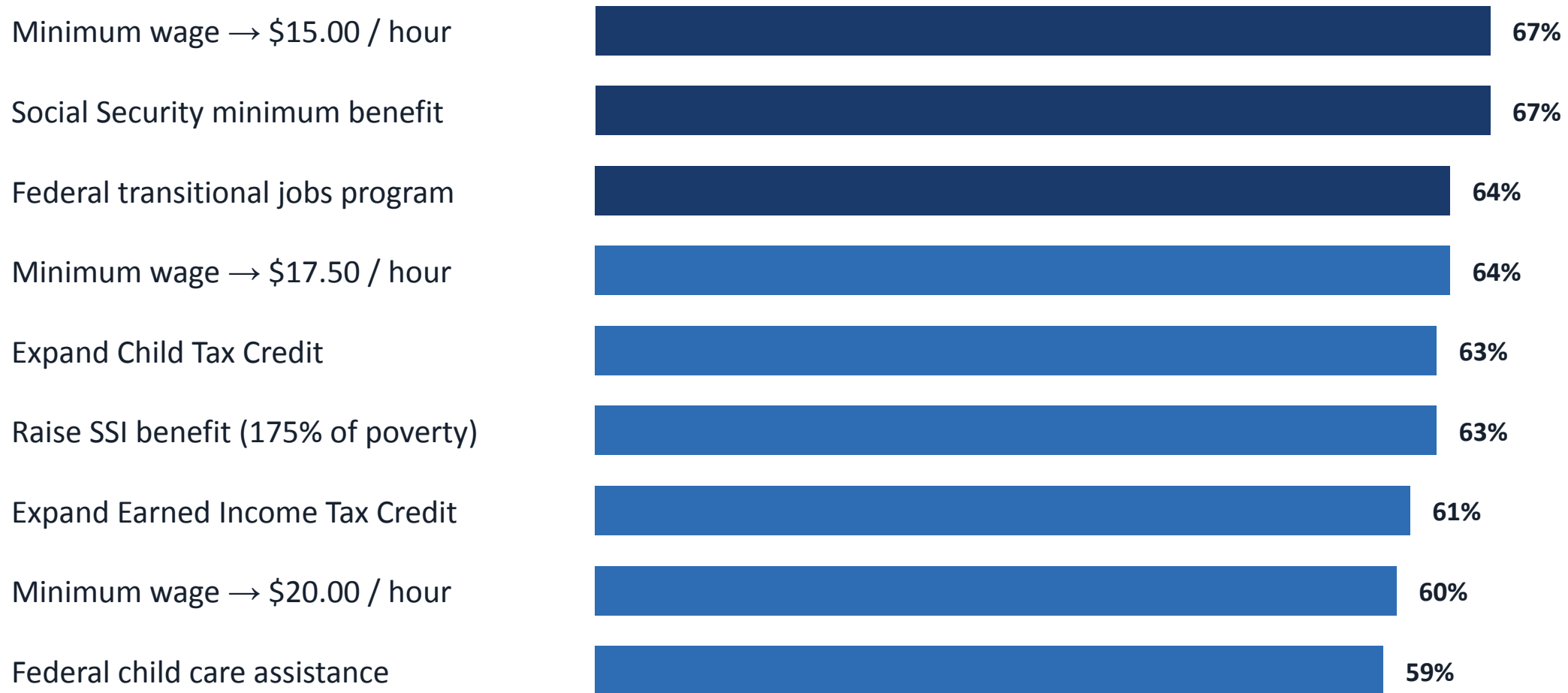
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policy proposals tested

May 27–30, 2026

Broad majorities favor all nine economic proposals

Share of all adults who favor each proposal (strongly + somewhat) ·



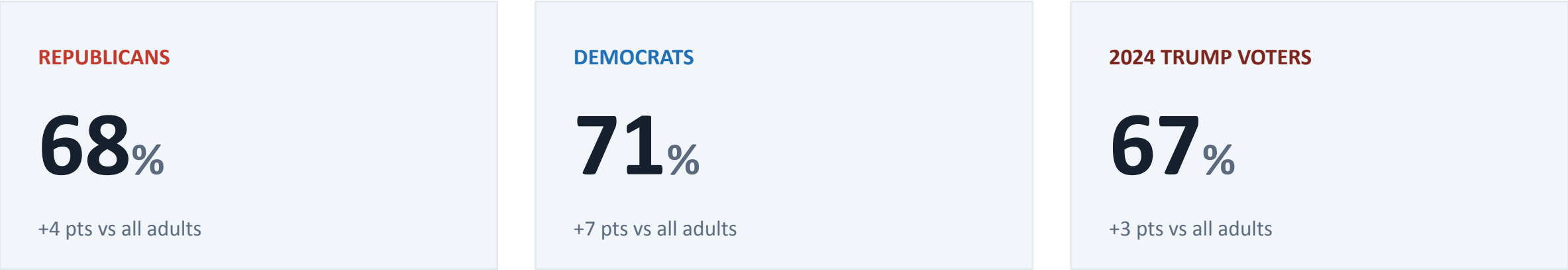
Federal jobs program wins broad bipartisan support

Do you favor or oppose creating a new federal program that would offer transitional, wage-paying jobs to unemployed or underemployed adults, who are US citizens or other lawful residents, until they are able to obtain full-time employment in the regular economy?



■ Favor ■ Oppose ■ Not sure

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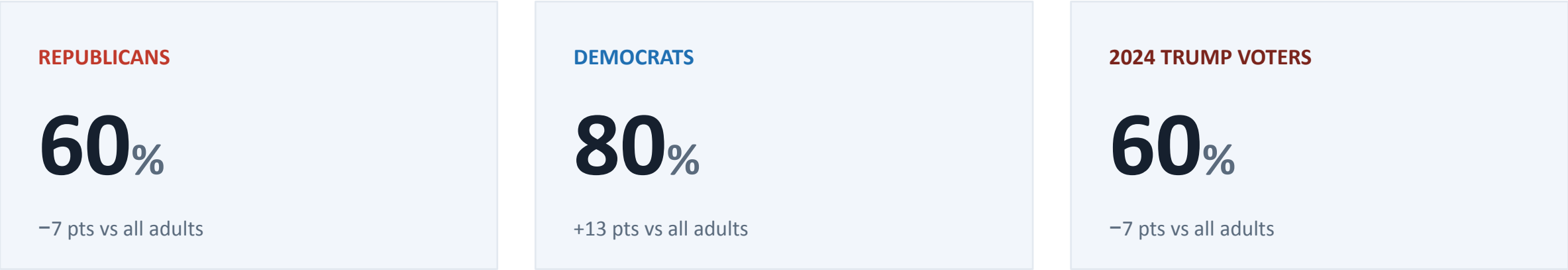
Two-thirds favor \$15, but parties sharply diverge

Do you favor or oppose raising the federal minimum wage from its current level of \$7.25 per hour to \$15.00 per hour?



■ Favor ■ Oppose ■ Not sure

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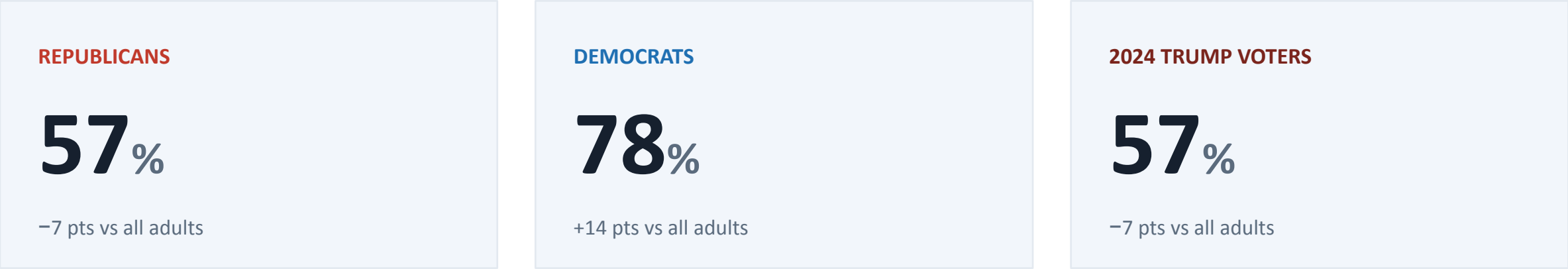


Majority still backs \$17.50 despite a widening split

Do you favor or oppose raising the federal minimum wage from its current level of \$7.25 per hour to \$17.50 per hour?



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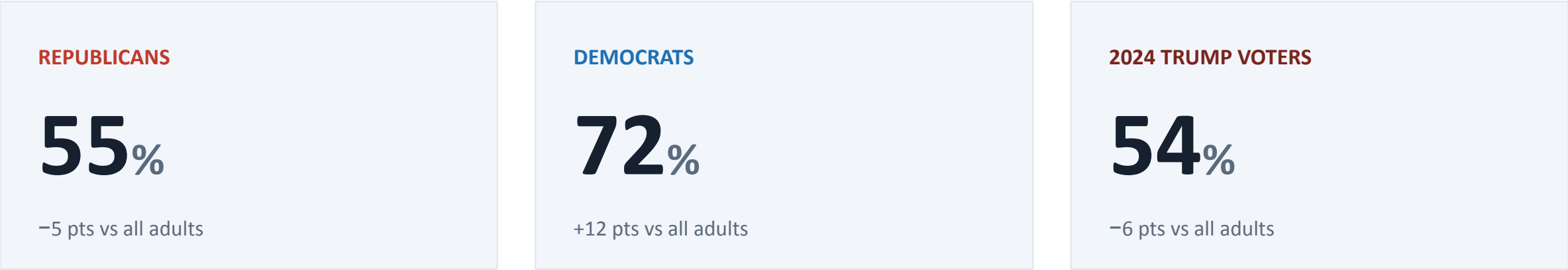
Support slips to 60% as the wage hits \$20

Do you favor or oppose raising the federal minimum wage from its current level of \$7.25 per hour to \$20.00 per hour?



■ Favor ■ Oppose ■ Not sure

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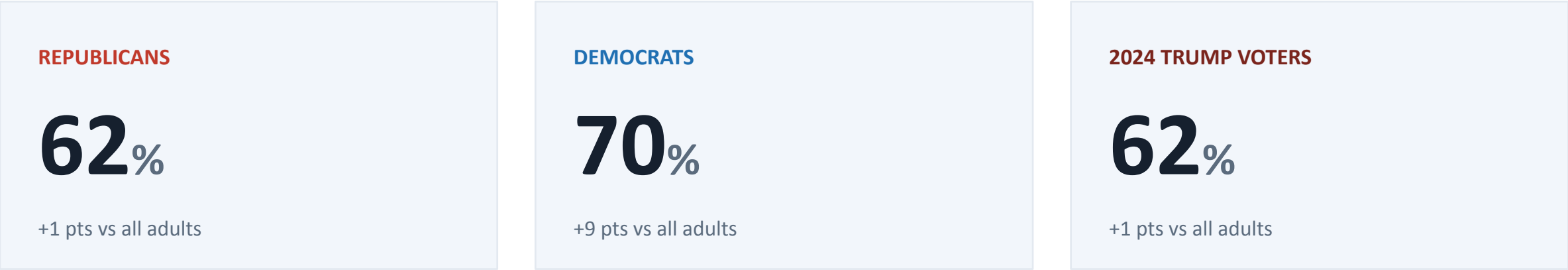
Expanding the EITC draws even bipartisan backing

Do you favor or oppose expanding the earned income tax credit — the federal program for lower-income workers — so that it provides up to \$5,000 annually per worker, plus an additional \$3,250 for each of two children, until phased out for those with higher wages?



■ Favor ■ Oppose ■ Not sure

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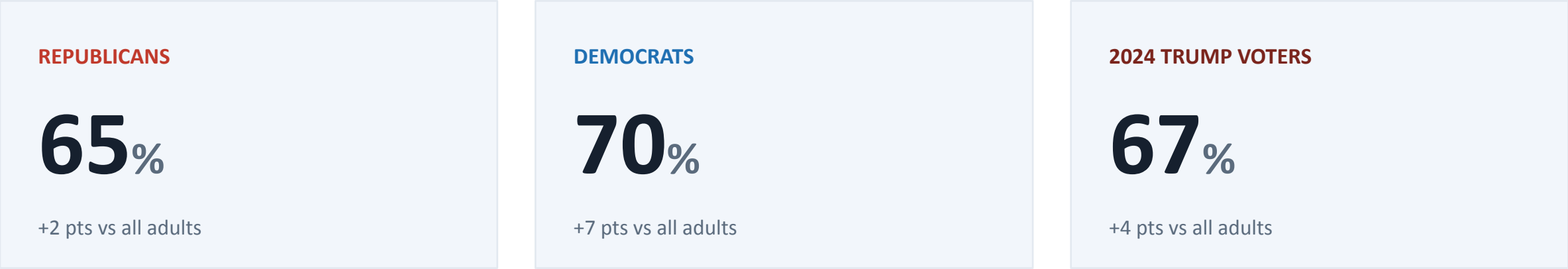
Bigger child tax credit unites both parties

Do you favor or oppose expanding the child tax credit by raising it from \$2,200 annually per child to \$4,750 for a younger child (0–5) and \$4,000 for an older child (6–17)?



■ Favor ■ Oppose ■ Not sure

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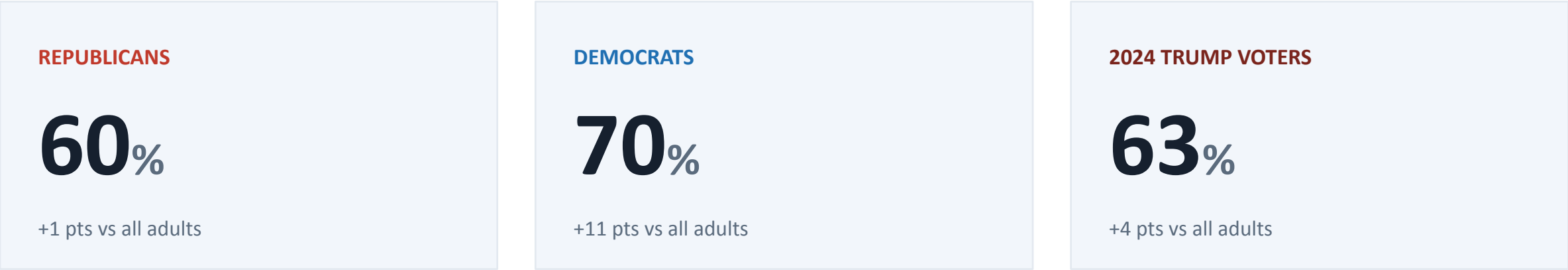
Federal child care aid earns a solid majority

Do you favor or oppose creating a new federal program that would give parents the resources needed to pay for child care for children ages 0–12 — higher amounts for infants, lower for older children — with payments going only to qualified providers?



■ Favor ■ Oppose ■ Not sure

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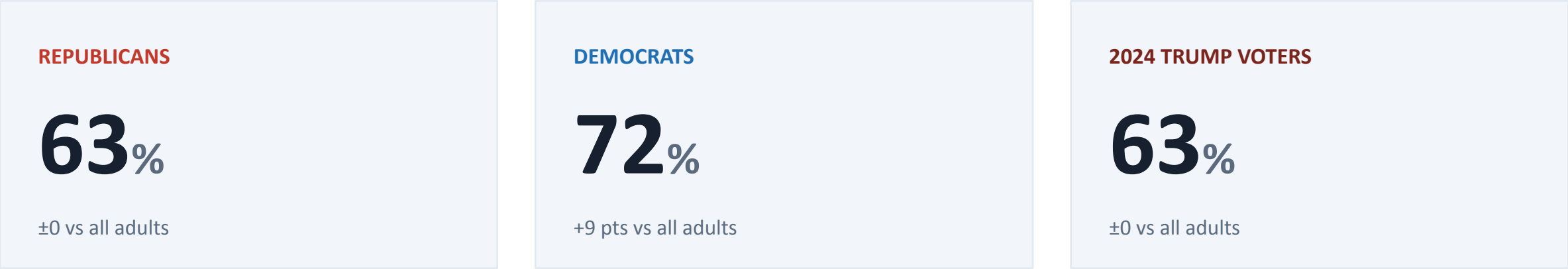
Raising SSI benefits wins support across parties

Do you favor or oppose changing Supplemental Security Income (SSI) so that recipients — instead of \$967 per month, far below the poverty line — would receive \$2,428 per month, equivalent to 175% of the official poverty line (2025)?



■ Favor ■ Oppose ■ Not sure

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Social Security minimum draws near-universal agreement

Do you favor or oppose changing Social Security so that retirees who worked 40 quarters and retire between 62 and 70 would receive a minimum benefit of at least \$2,636 per month, equivalent to 190% of the official poverty line (2025)?



■ Favor ■ Oppose ■ Not sure

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