



Healthier Colorado

Colorado statewide primary voters survey results
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Methodology



Survey n= 656 Likely Democratic Primary Voters and 661 Likely Republican Primary voters in Colorado between May 16 - 22, 2026.



Respondents were recruited via dynamic online sampling to obtain a sample reflective of the population.



Post-stratification was performed on age, gender, race/ethnicity, education, region, party registration, and 2024 presidential vote. Weighting parameters were based on voter file data.



The modeled margin of error for the Democratic Primary Voters sample is **4.0%**. [See full methodology statement here.](#)

The modeled margin of error for the Republican Primary Voters sample is **4.2%**. [See full methodology statement here.](#)

Sample Overview



	Likely Democratic Primary Voters	Likely Republican Primary Voters
Gender		
Men	41%	51%
Women	58%	49%
Another identity	1%	0%
AGE		
18-34	14%	7%
35-49	22%	19%
50-64	24%	32%
65+	39%	43%
RACE / ETHNICITY		
White	83%	89%
Hispanic	10%	5%
Rest	7%	6%
EDUCATION		
College	65%	55%
Non-college	35%	45%

Sample Overview (Cont.)



	Likely Democratic Primary Voters	Likely Republican Primary Voters
Region		
Rest of Front Range	66%	67%
Denver	17%	4%
Western Slope	7%	14%
Southern Colorado	5%	6%
Central Mountains	4%	6%
Eastern Plains	1%	4%
Party Registration		
Registered Democrat	65%	0%
Registered Republican	0%	66%
Registered Unaffiliated	35%	34%
2024 Vote		
Harris	87%	11%
Trump	7%	84%
Third Party	4%	3%
Did not vote	2%	2%

Top Issues & Policy Support

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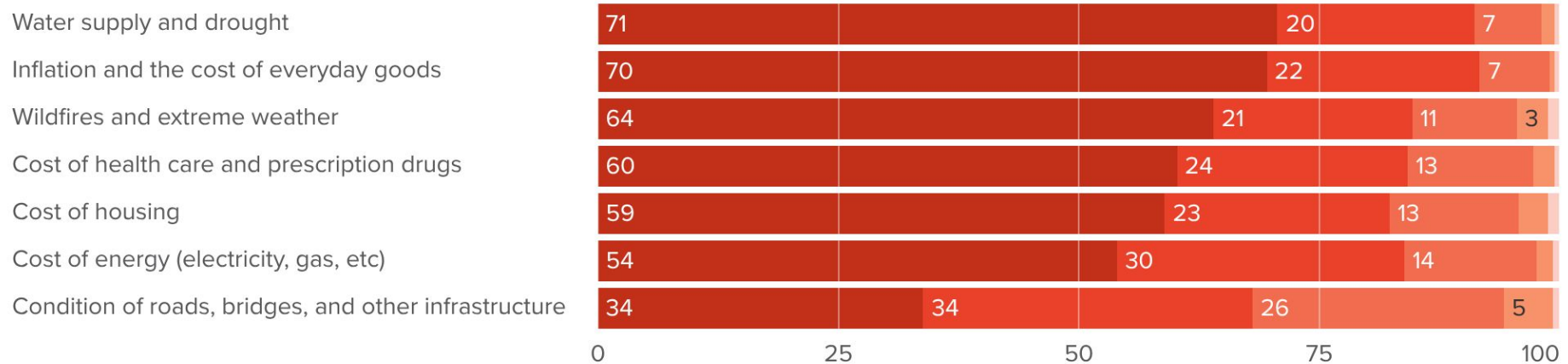
Democratic Primary Voters are deeply concerned about the state's water supply and inflation



How concerned, if at all, are you about each of the following in Colorado?

Democratic Primary Voters

Extremely concerned Very concerned Somewhat concerned Not too concerned Not at all concerned



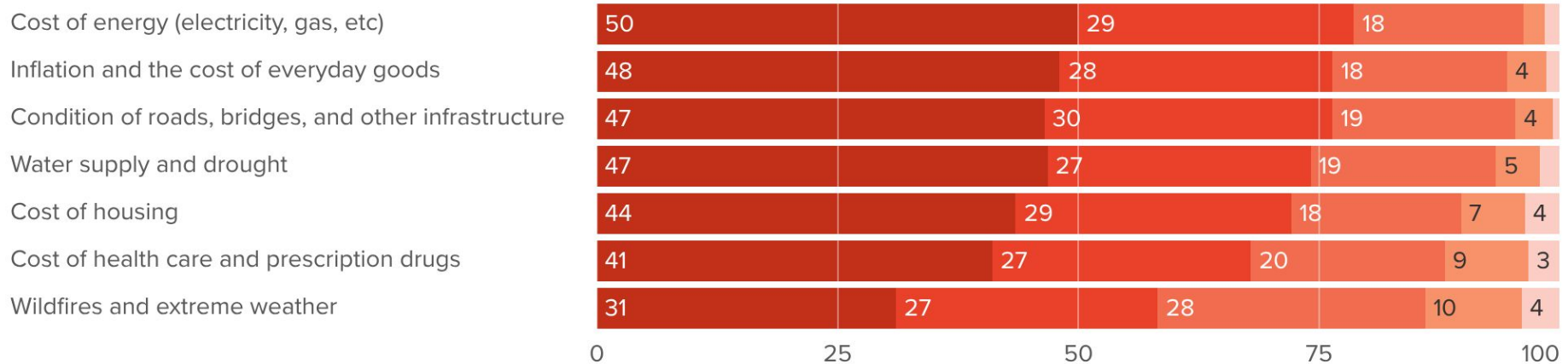
Republican Primary Voters are most concerned about affordability, especially the cost of energy



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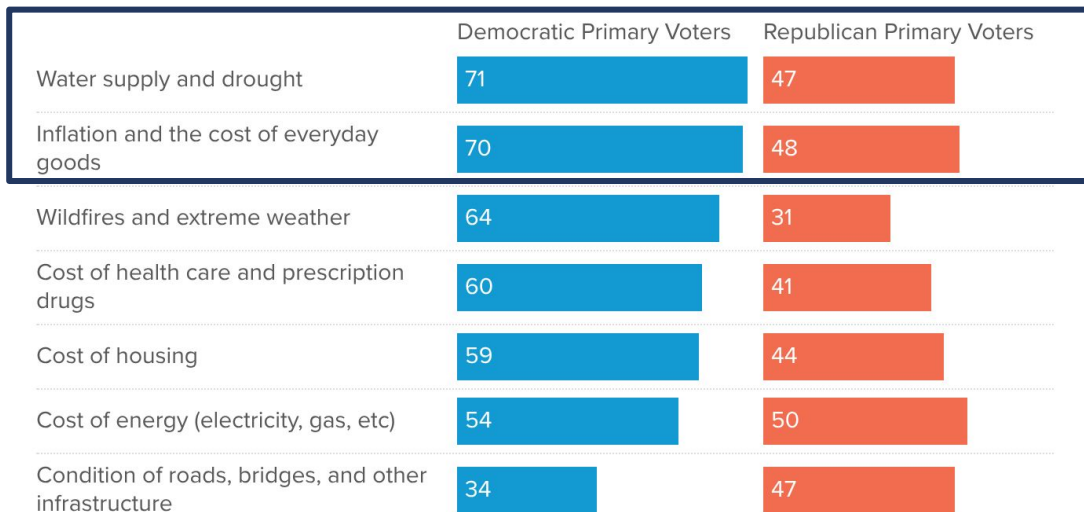
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Affordability and water supply are top concerns for Colorado voters across party lines

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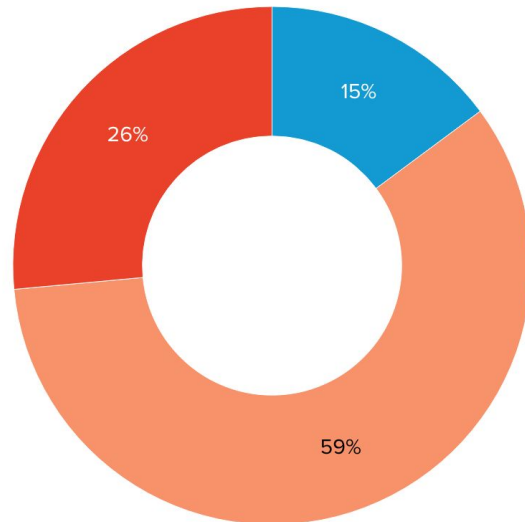


Bars show percentage of voters who are "Extremely concerned"

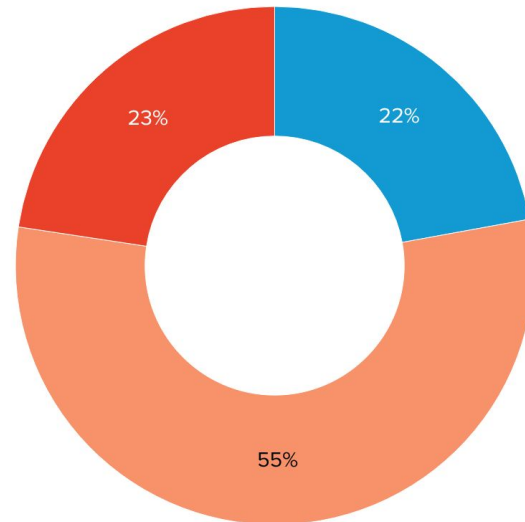
Most Colorado primary voters find healthcare costs too high, and roughly one in four has skipped needed care because of it

When it comes to the affordability of healthcare for you and your family, which one of the following represents your situation:

● I'm satisfied with what I'm paying ● I think the costs are too high, but I pay anyway ● The costs are so high that I've skipped needed healthcare



Democratic Primary Voters



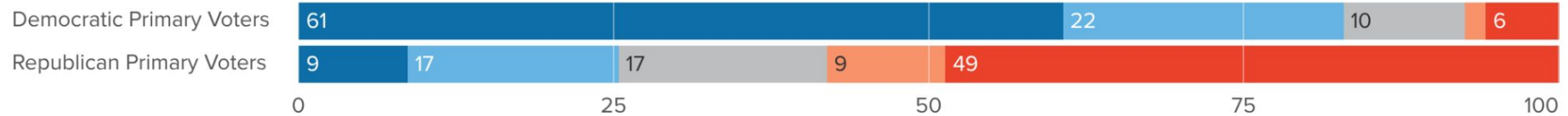
Republican Primary Voters

Democratic Primary Voters widely support a public option for health insurance, while a majority of Republican Primary Voters oppose it



Would you support or oppose a state government administered health plan, sometimes called a “public option”, that would compete with private health insurance plans and be available to all Coloradans?

● Strongly support ● Somewhat support ● Not sure ● Somewhat oppose ● Strongly oppose



Colorado voters agree that addressing youth mental health should be a top priority for the state's next Governor and state legislators



How high a priority should addressing youth mental health be for Colorado's next Governor and state legislators?

● The highest priority ● A high priority ● A low priority ● Not a priority at all ● Not sure



Banning cell phones during the school day is one concrete policy solution Colorado voters broadly support



Would you support or oppose a ban on cellphone use during the school day for children in kindergarten through 12th grade in your local school district?

● Strongly support ● Somewhat support ● Not sure ● Somewhat oppose ● Strongly oppose



2028 Presidential Primaries

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Pete Buttigieg, Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, and Gavin Newsom have the broadest appeal among Colorado's 2028 Democratic presidential contenders

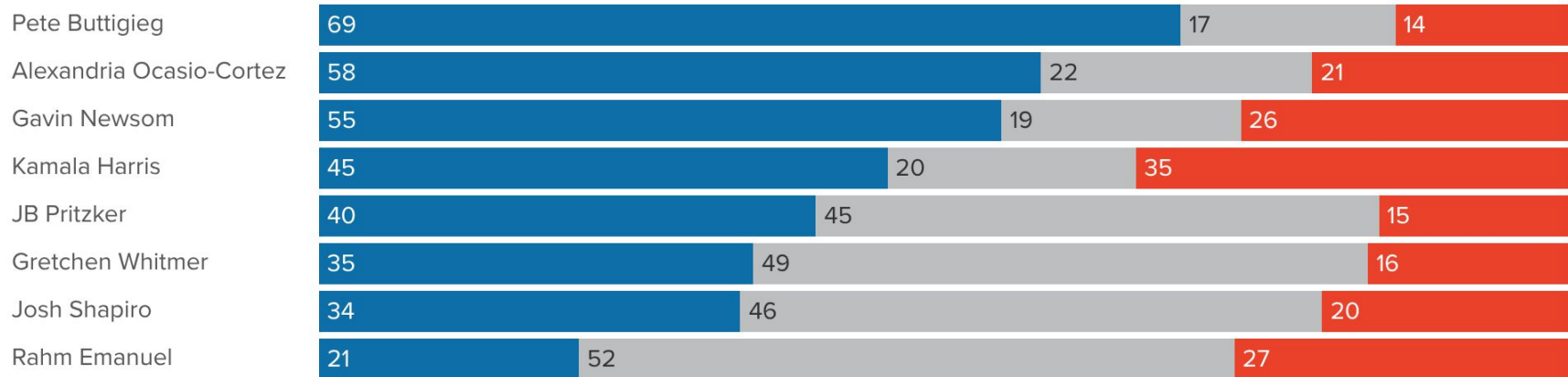


- Democratic Primary Voters are divided on Kamala Harris, and largely unfamiliar with the rest of the field

Thinking about the 2028 Democratic presidential primary, how do you feel about each of the following candidates?

Democratic Primary Voters

● Would consider voting for ● Not sure ● Would definitely NOT vote for

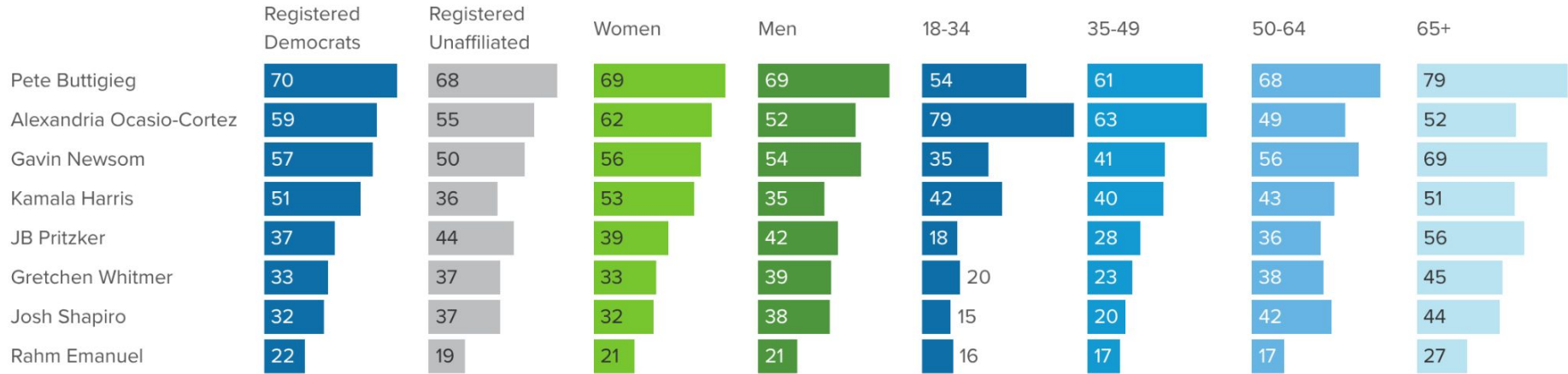


Buttigieg leads with older Democratic Primary Voters while AOC is the clear choice among voters under 35



Thinking about the 2028 Democratic presidential primary, how do you feel about each of the following candidates?

Democratic Primary Voters



Bars show percentage of voters who say they "Would consider voting for" the candidate

Marco Rubio and J.D. Vance have the broadest appeal in the 2028 Republican presidential field, with Ron DeSantis close behind

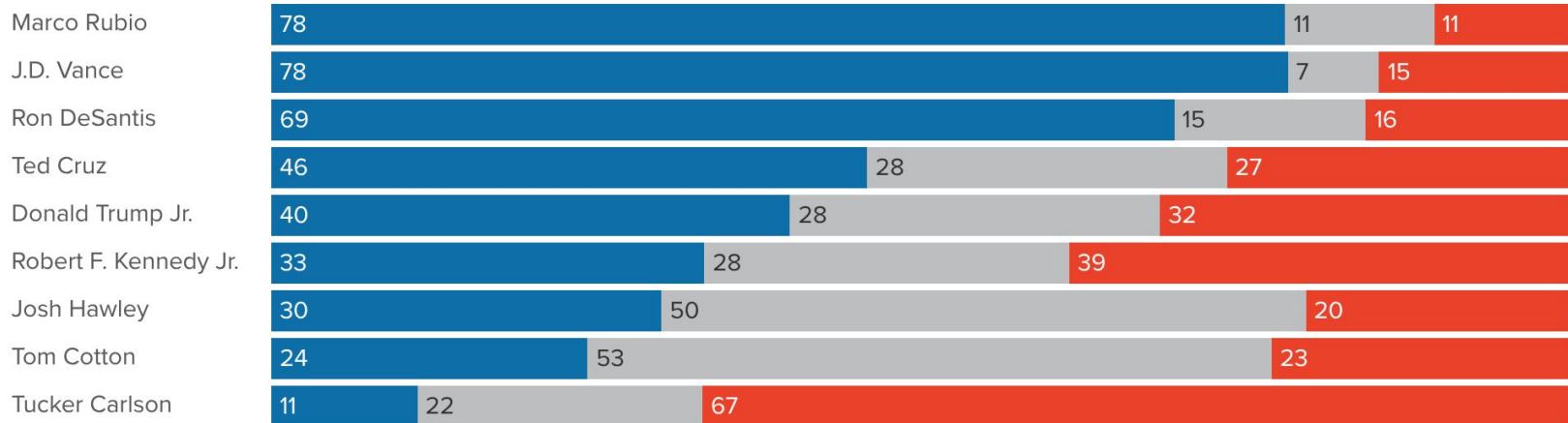


- Tucker Carlson is widely rejected by Republican Primary Voters in Colorado

Thinking about the 2028 Republican presidential primary, how do you feel about each of the following candidates?

Republican Primary Voters

● Would consider voting for ● Not sure ● Would definitely NOT vote for



Vance and Rubio are neck and neck in the 2028 Republican field, but Vance has an edge with younger voters



Thinking about the 2028 Republican presidential primary, how do you feel about each of the following candidates?

Republican Primary Voters



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Thank You

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