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Ten Years of National Surveys on Energy and Environment (NSEE)

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Outline

- Attitudes about climate change (Chris Borick)
- Carbon Pricing (Barry Rabe)
- Renewable Energy (Sarah Mills)

- Accessing Data (Natalie Fitzpatrick)

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National Surveys on Energy and Environment

- Public opinion
  - o Random sample of U.S. adult residents
  - o Telephone interviews
  - o Sample size: 700-1000

- Frequency: Fall of 2008, 2009, then twice per year

- Covers climate belief and energy policy

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National Surveys on Energy and Environment

- Partnership between University of Michigan and Muhlenberg College's Institute of Public Opinion
  - All funding to-date, from these colleges

- Committed to research transparency
  - Data tables, survey instruments online soon after survey
  - Full dataset available after initial reporting

American Views Regarding Global Warming: A Decade of NSEE Findings

Chris Borick
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AESS Annual Meeting 2018

American Views on Evidence of Global Warming: A Key Element of the NSEE

- While acceptance of global warming is not a sufficient factor in terms of activation of government policies to mitigate and adapt to a changing climate, widespread acceptance of anthropogenic influenced global warming is a necessary condition if governments in the United States are to fully engage on the matter.
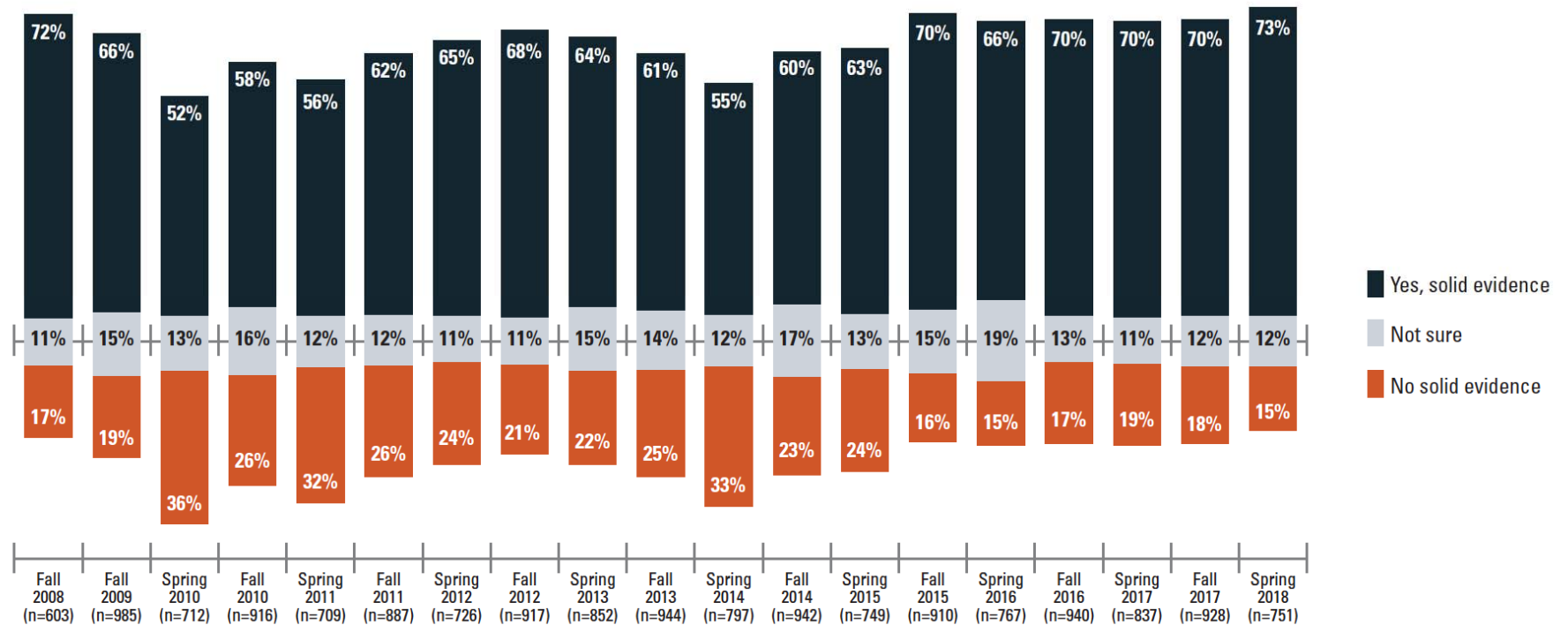
NSEE Beliefs Components

- Each Iteration has asked respondents about:
- Perceptions of evidence of global warming
- Primary factors that determine beliefs regarding global warming
- Confidence in beliefs about global warming
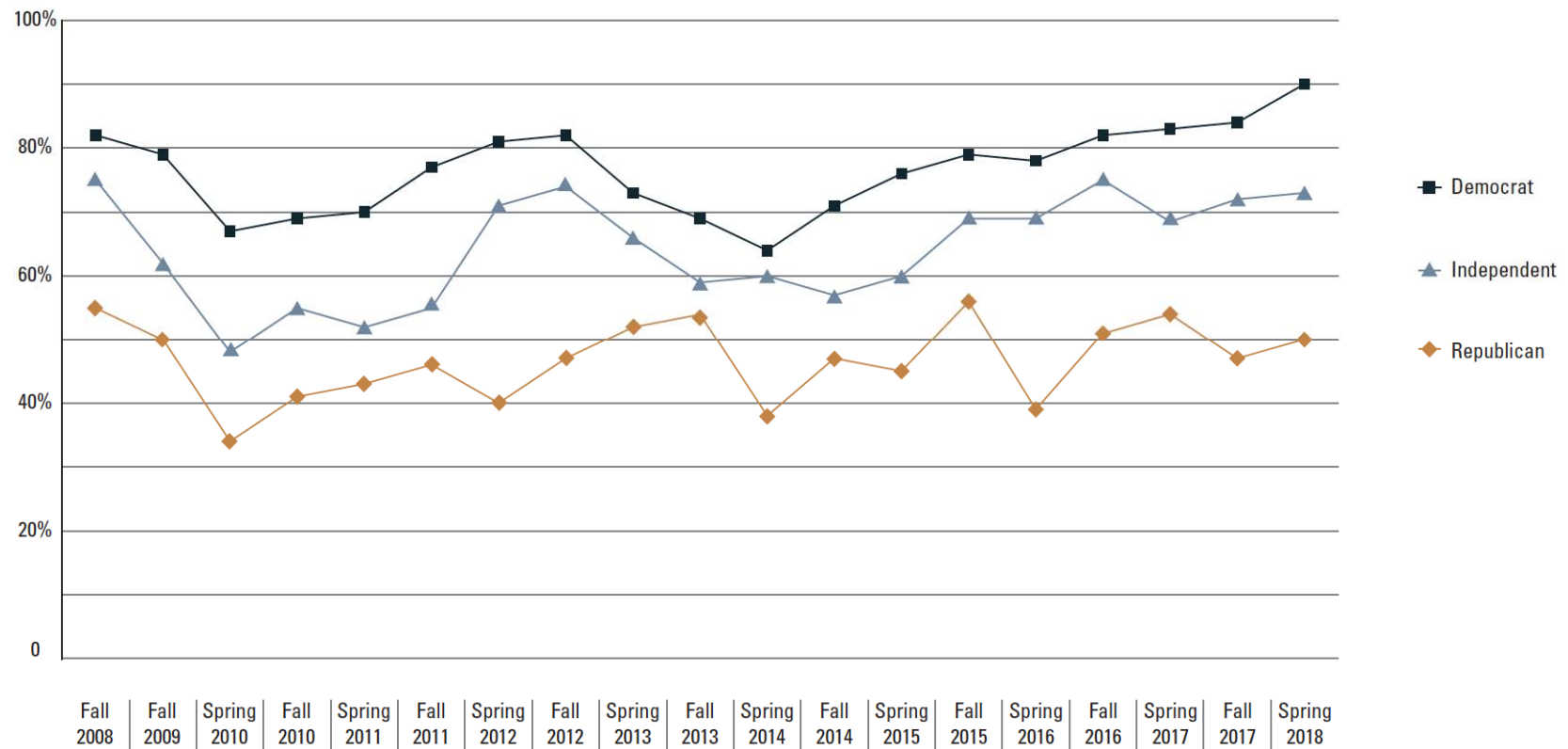- Perceptions of the causes of global warming

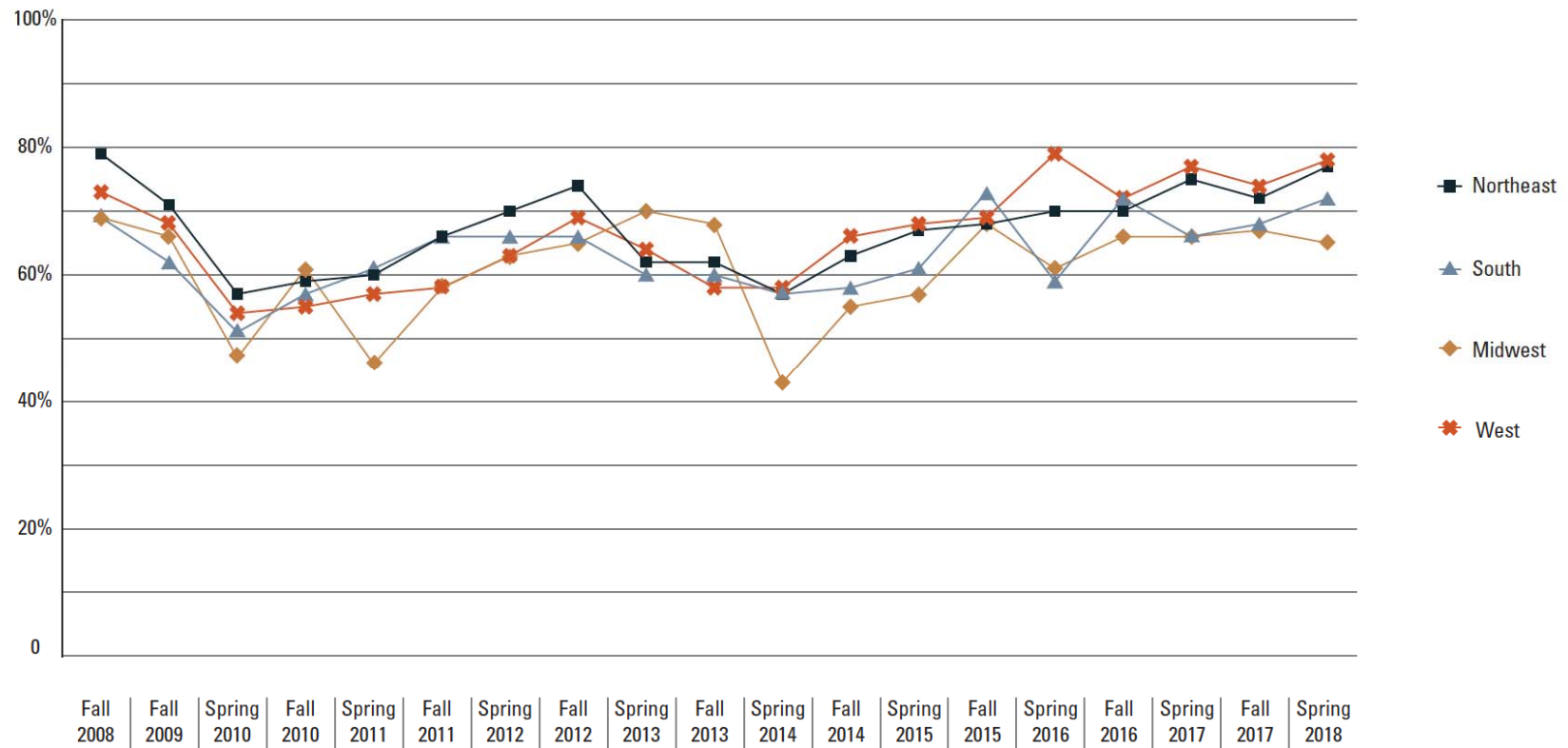# American Views on Evidence of Global Warming 2008-2018

Levels of Confidence Regarding Existence of Global Warming Among Those That Think There is Evidence
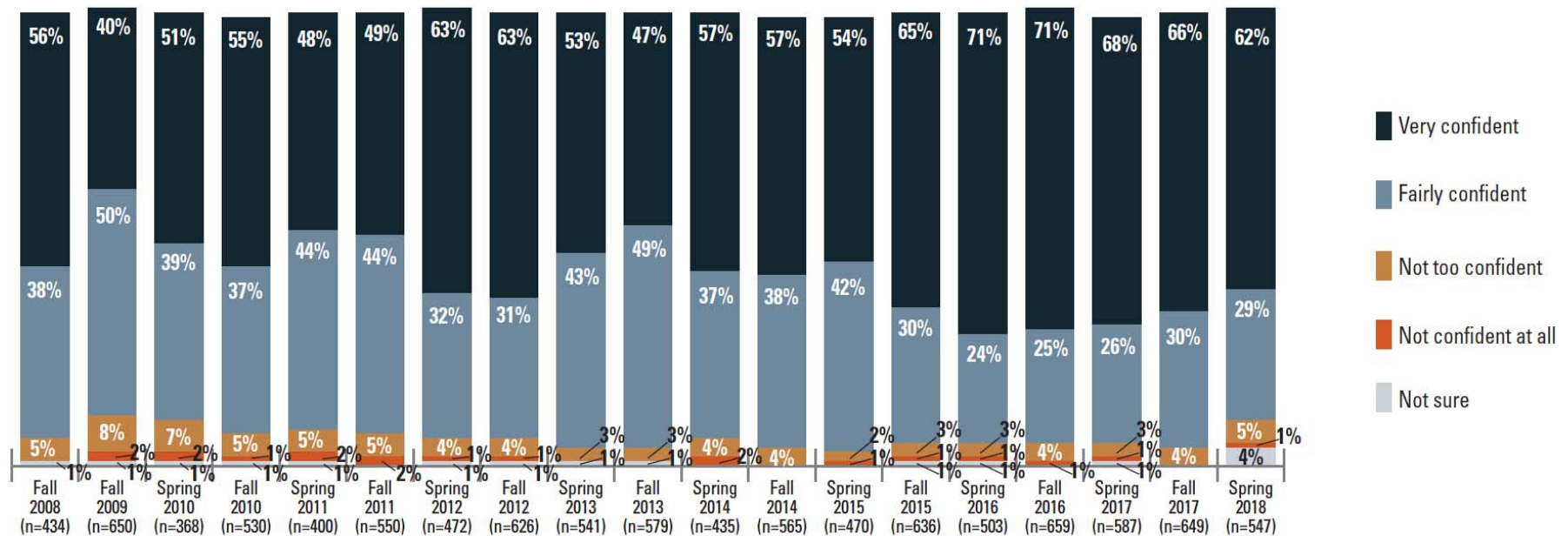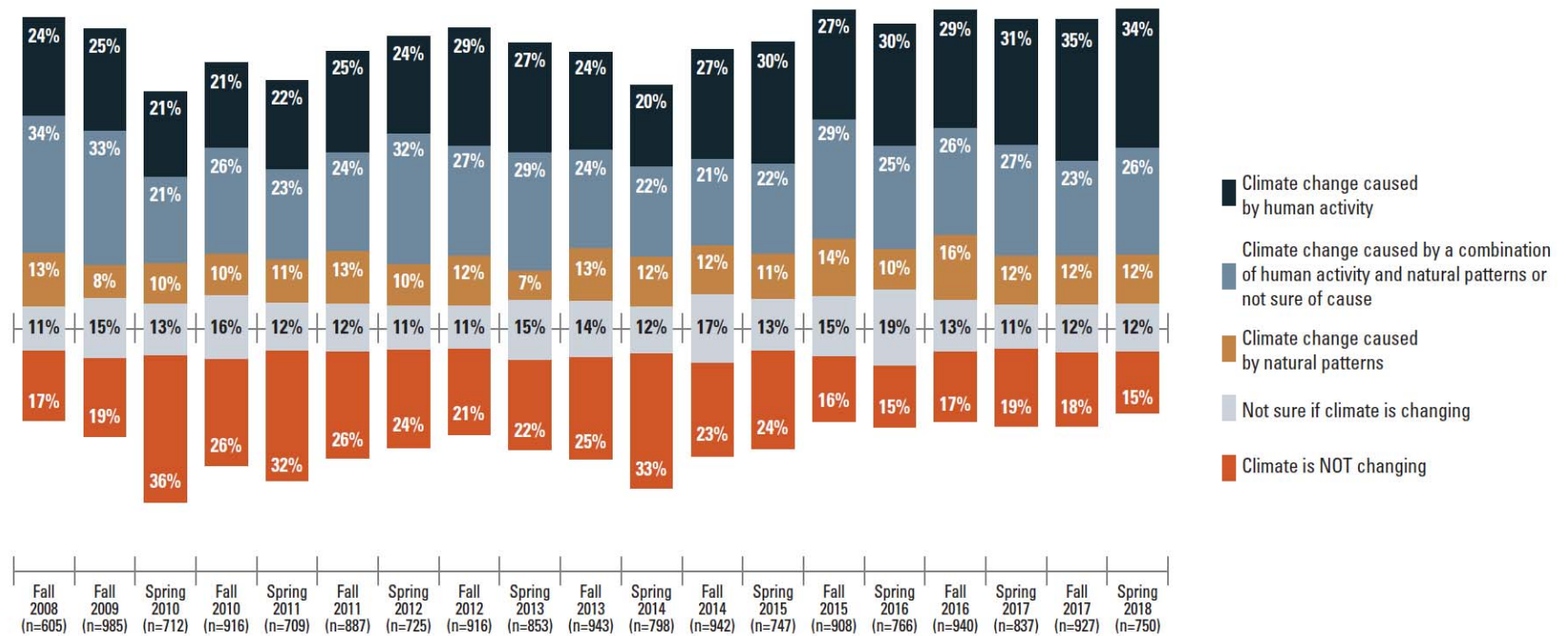
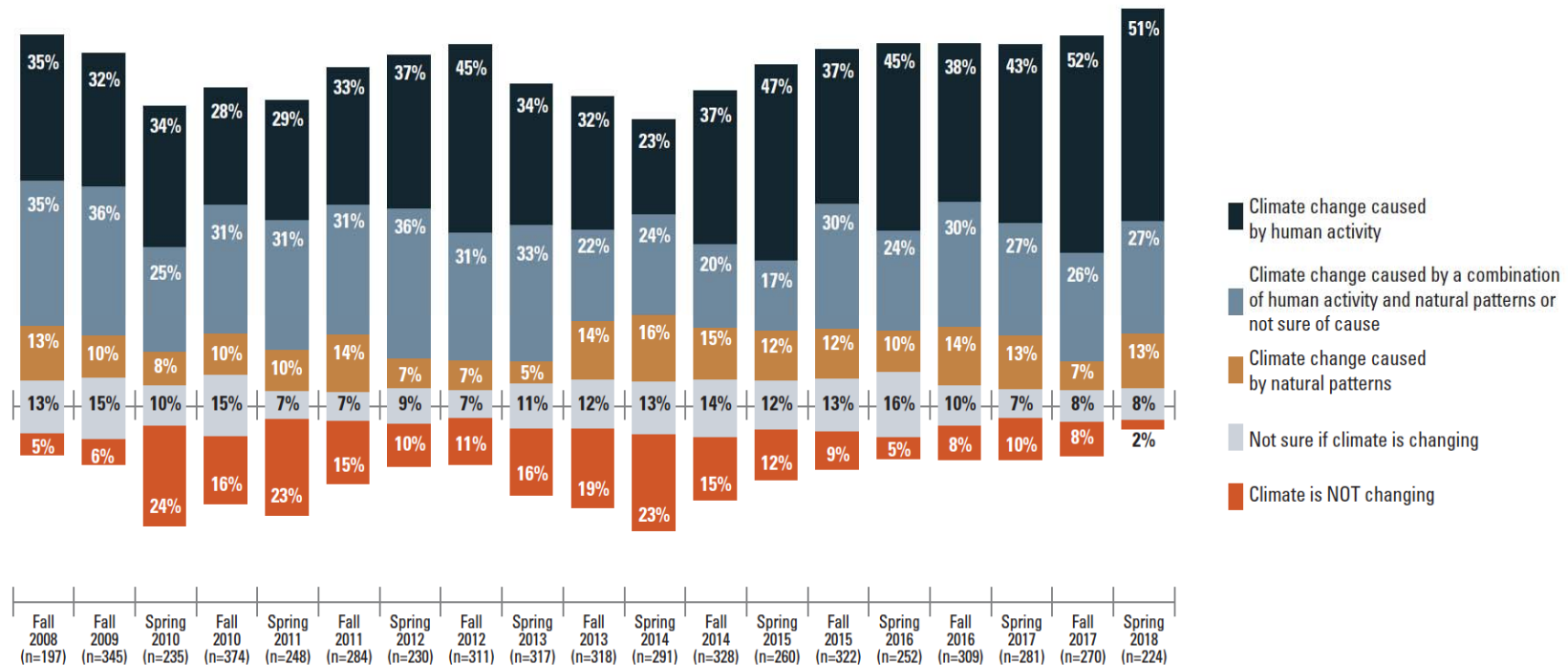# American Views on Evidence of Global Warming 2008-2018 by Party Affiliation

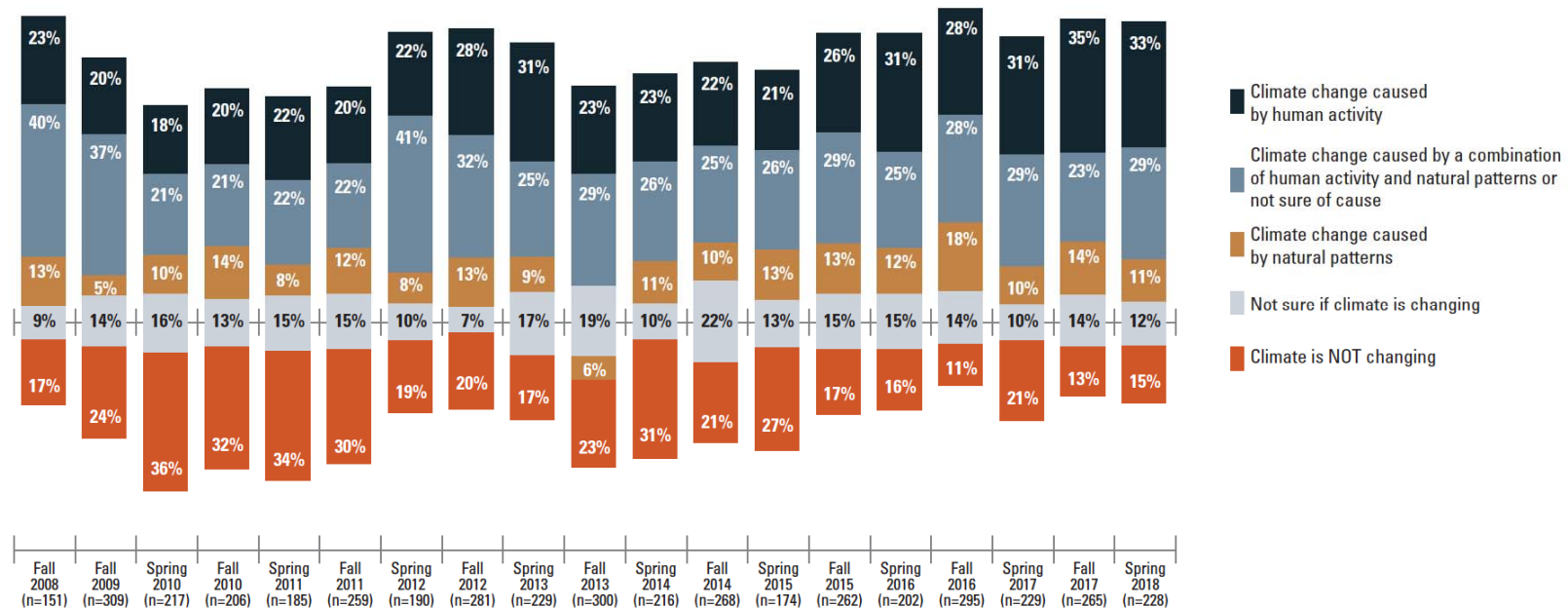# American Views on Evidence of Global Warming 2008-2018 by Region

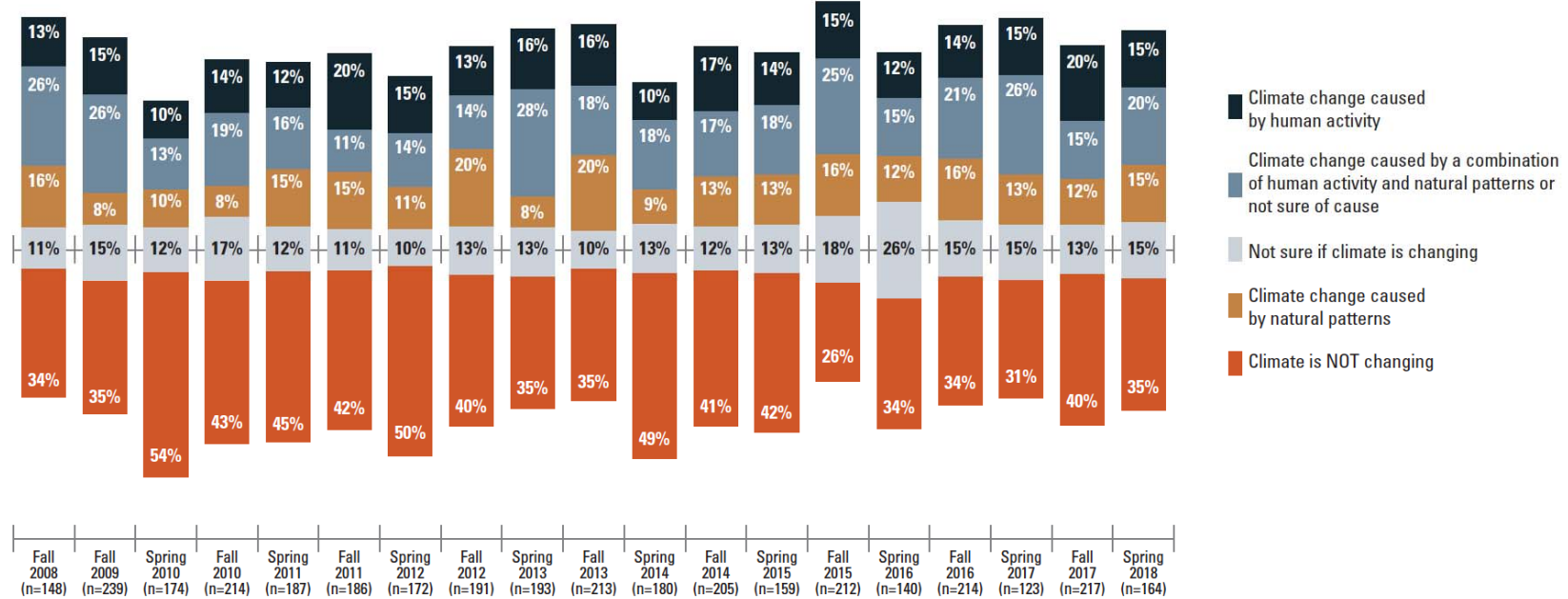# American Views on the Existence and Causes of Climate Change

Democrat Views on the Existence and Causes of Climate Change

Independent Views on the Existence and Causes of Climate Change

Republican Views on the Existence and Causes of Climate Change

Do Beliefs Affect Perceptions of Weather?

- Considerable evidence that experiences with weather moderately affect beliefs regarding the existence of global warming (Borick and Rabe, 2015).

- But do beliefs regarding global warming affect perceptions of the weather?

- Some studies have begun to indicate this relationship (Howe et Leiserowitz 2013)

Perceptions of summer 2014 temperatures by views on the existence of global warming in the United States

	Solid evidence (n = 565)	No solid evidence (n = 220)	Not sure (n = 156)
A lot warmer than usual (n=230)	29%	8%	19%
A lot cooler than usual (n=346)	38%	44%	31%
About the same as usual (n=359)	32%	47%	50%
Not sure (n=6)	1%	1%	<1%

Note: $x^2 = 53.93$; $df = 6$; Cramer's $V = 0.169$; $p = 0.000$

ACTUAL SUMMER TEMPERATURES IN RELATION TO PERCEPTIONS OF SUMMER TEMPERATURES (ONLY THOSE THAT THINK THERE IS EVIDENCE OF GW)

Average Summer Temp Departure	A lot warmer than usual (N = 156)	A lot cooler thanusual (n = 196)	About the same as usual (n = 164)	Not sure (n =3)
-1 degree F or lower (n = 68)	32%	59%	9%	0%
-.01 to -.99 degree F (n = 192)	20%	44%	35%	1%
Average Temp (n = 26)	23%	42%	35%	0%
.01 to .99 degree F (n = 119)	27%	35%	38%	1%
1 degree F or higher (n = 114)	50%	17%	33%	1%

Objectively Correct Evaluation

ACTUAL SUMMER TEMPERATURES IN RELATION TO PERCEPTIONS OF SUMMER TEMPERATURE (ONLY THOSE THAT THINK THERE IS NOT EVIDENCE OF GW)

| Average Summer Temp Departure	A lot warmer than usual (n = 15)	A lot cooler than usual (n = 91)	About the same as usual (n = 90)	Not sure (n=1)
-1 degree F or lower (n = 36)	3%	61%	33%	3%
-.01 to -.99 degree F (n =65)	8%	43%	50%	0%
Average Temp (n = 5)	0%	100%	0%	0%
.01 to .99 degree F (n = 54)	7%	43%	50%	0%
1 degree F or higher (n = 37)	14%	35%	51%	0%

Objectively Correct Evaluation

Conclusions

- NSEE results have shown both a significant decline in American acceptance of global warming (2009-2011) and increasing acceptance (2014-2018).

- Today more Americans belief there is solid evidence of global warming than at anytime since 2008.

- And in 2018 a record number of Americans attribute warming at least in part to human related factors.

Carbon Pricing in the NSEE @10

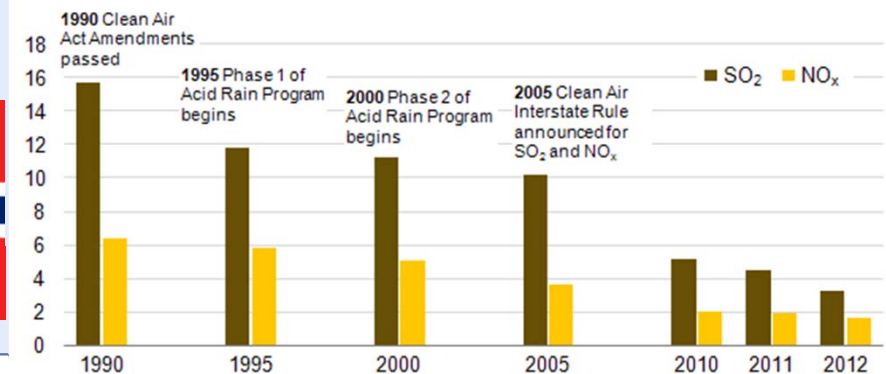Barry Rabe

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When Carbon Pricing Seemed Inevitable…
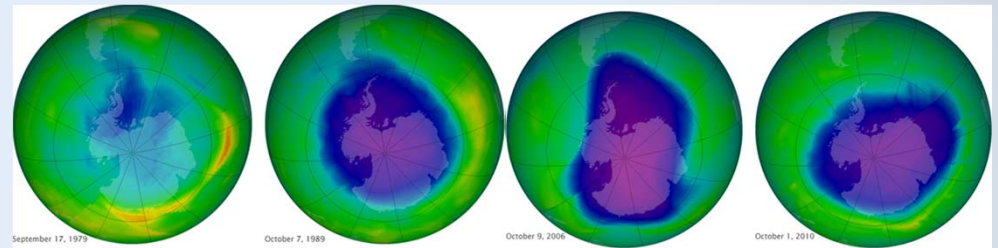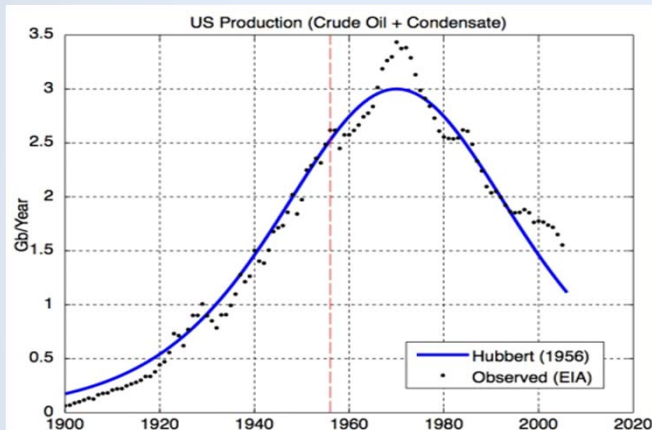
What Happened to Carbon Pricing?

- "Wicked problem": Up-front costs & delayed benefits
- Great Recession
- Great Polarization
- Expanding fossil fuel production & opposition

Support/opposition to a carbon tax
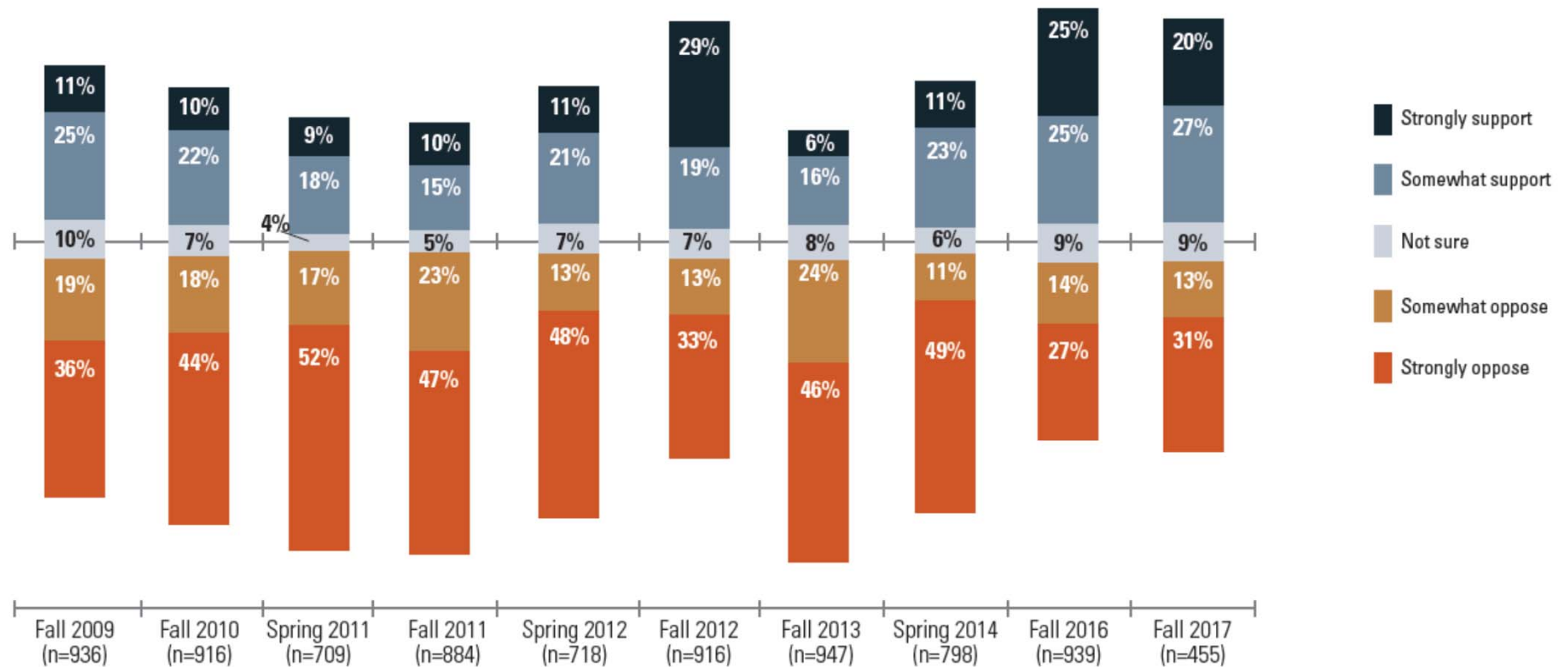
Net support for a carbon tax, by political party
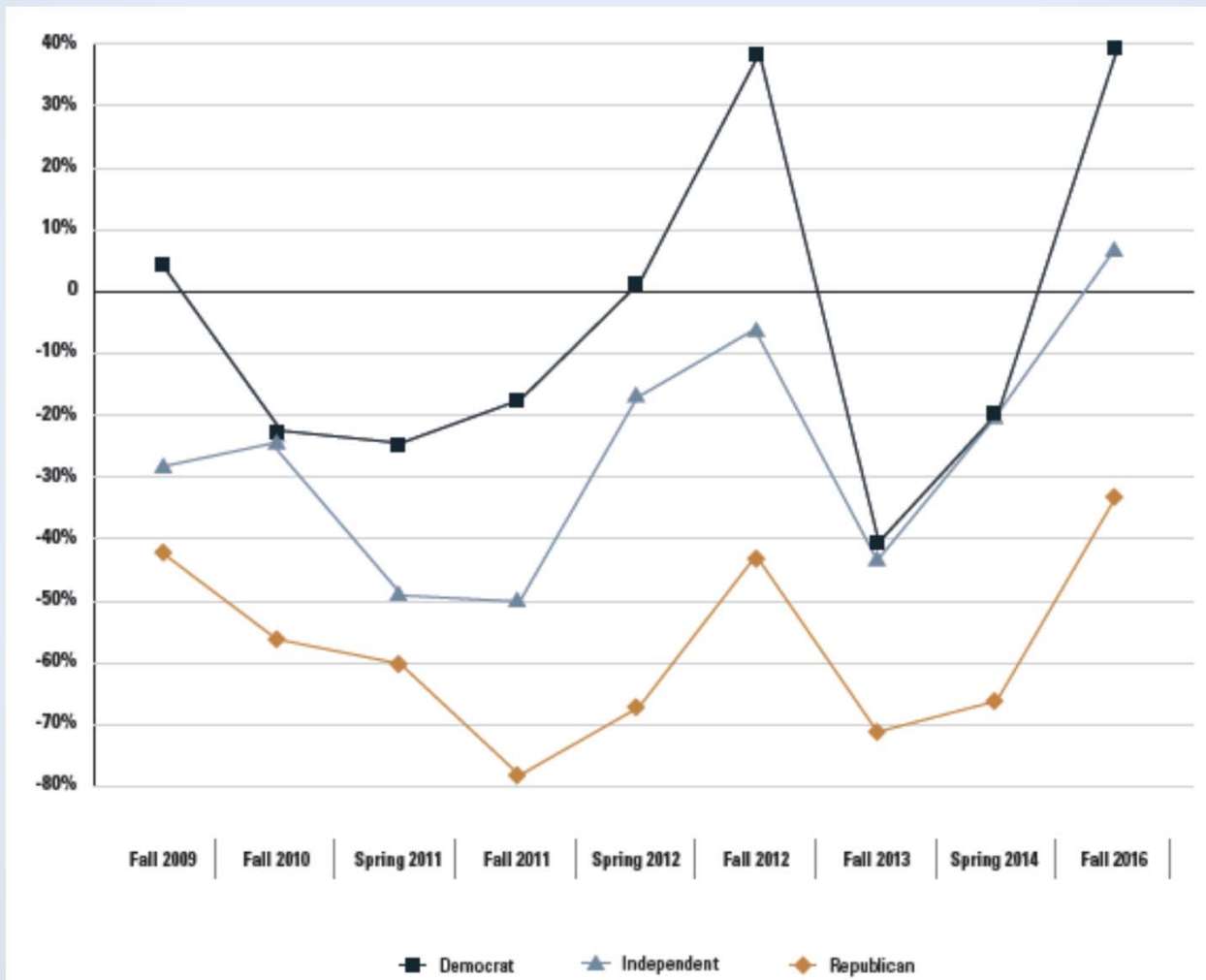
Net support for a carbon tax, by stance toward climate change
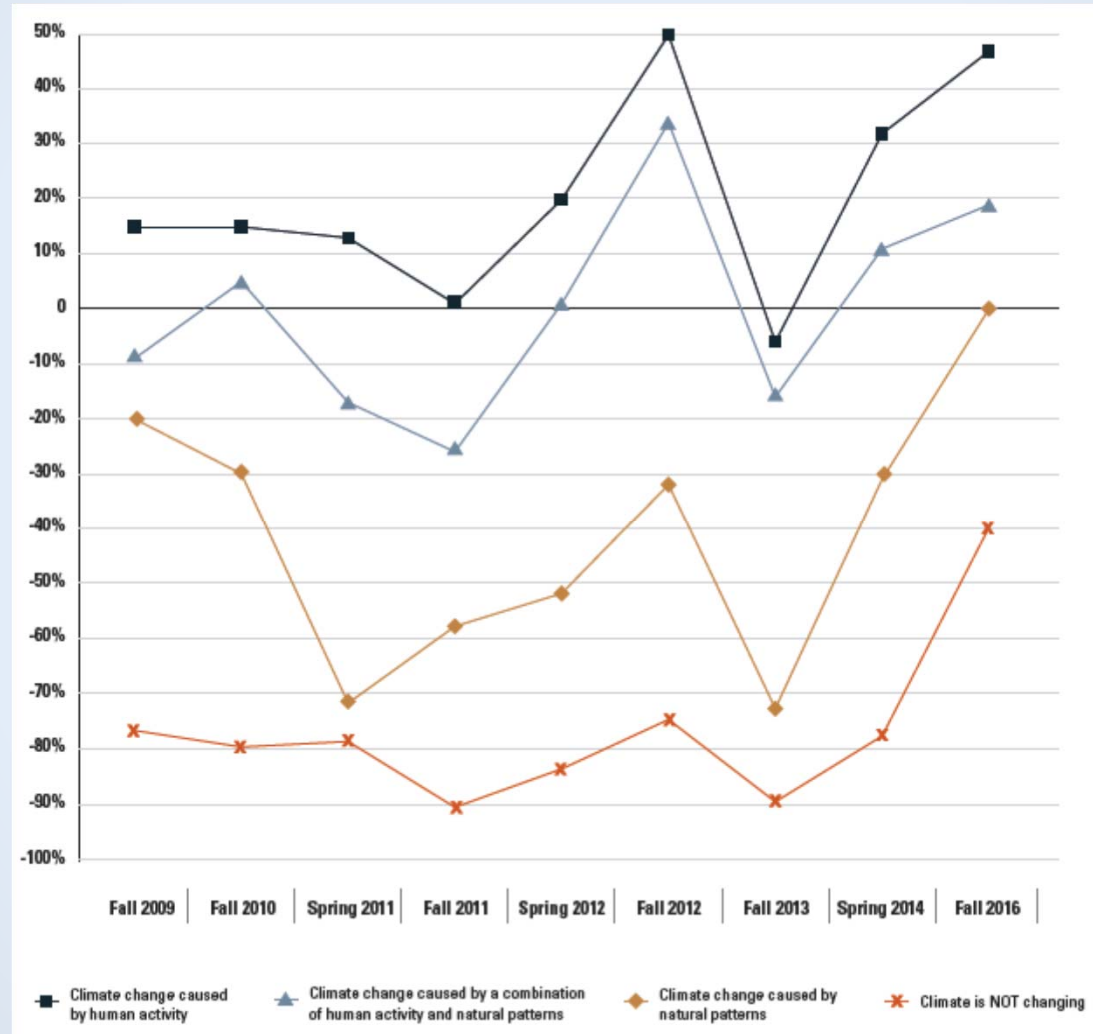
Support/opposition to a carbon tax, with and without a percentage increase mentioned
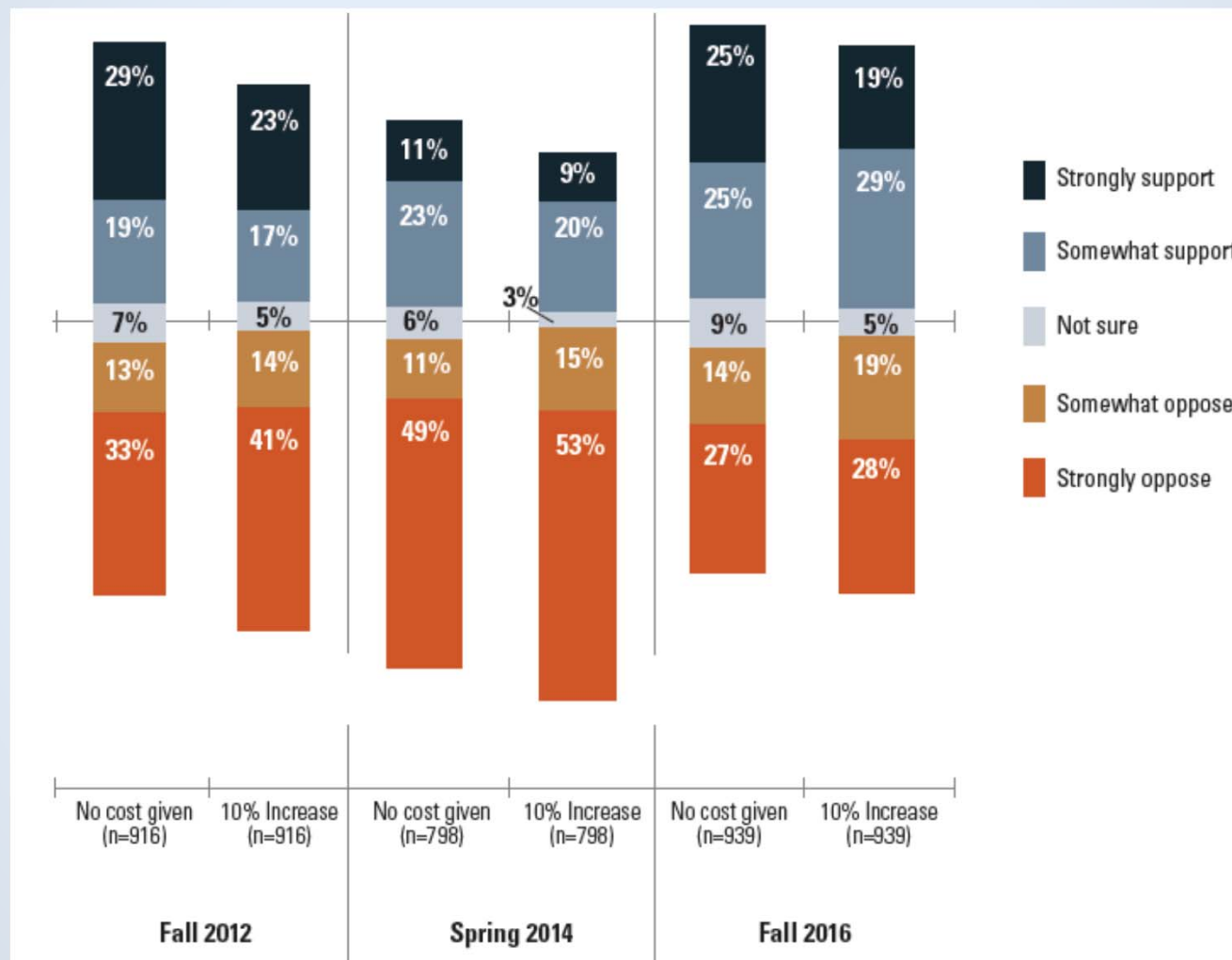
Support/opposition to a carbon tax, with revenue use specified
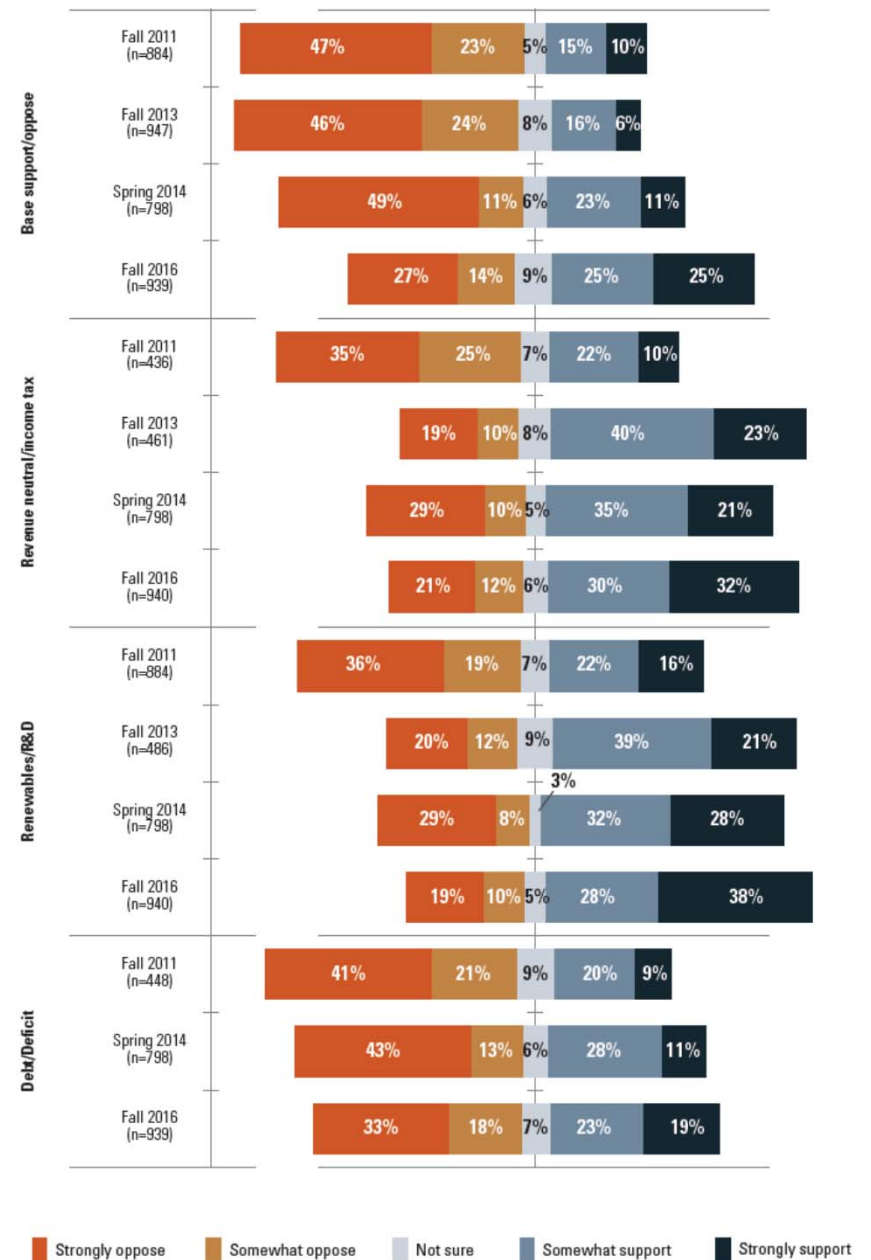
Support/opposition in Canada and the US to a carbon tax
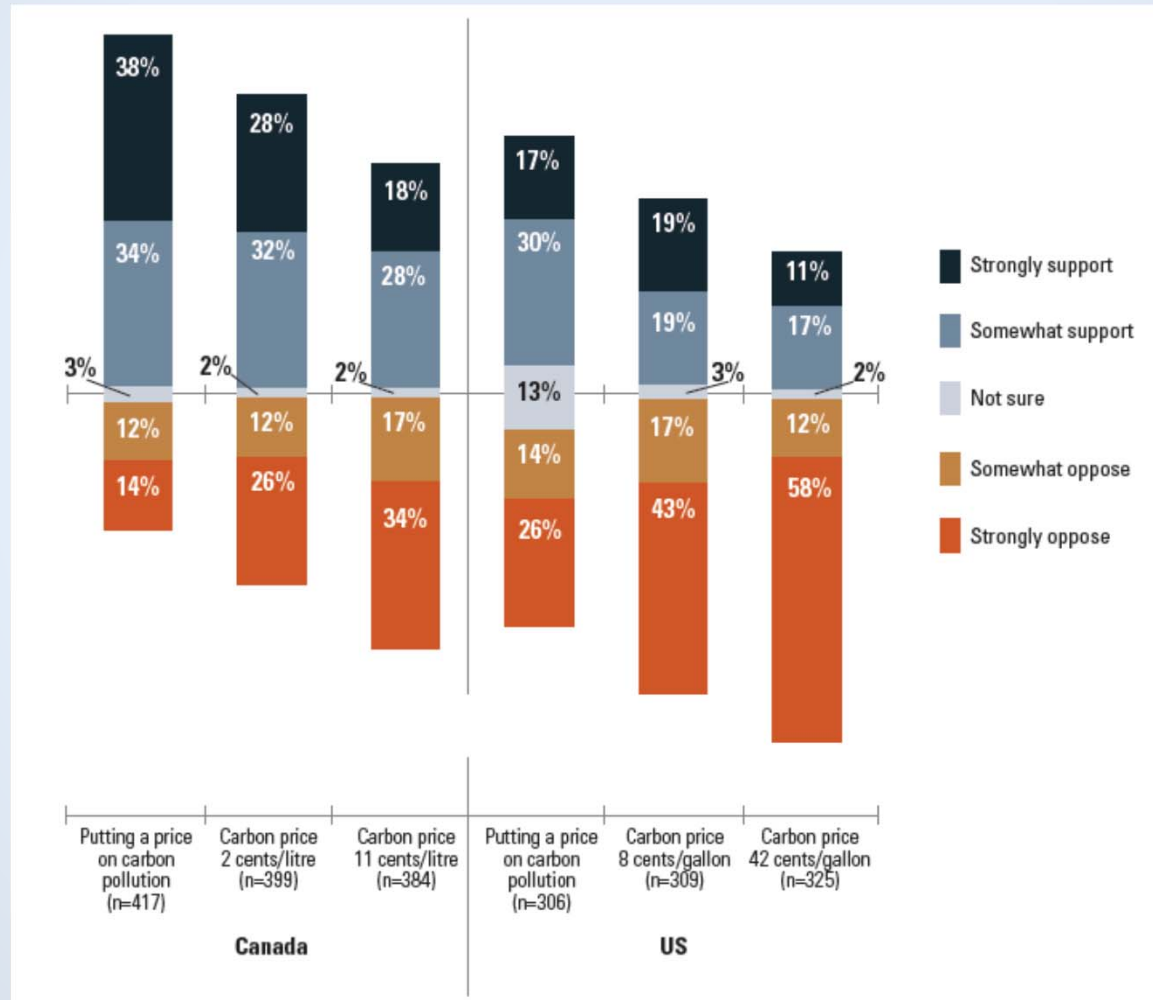
Support/opposition to cap-and-trade
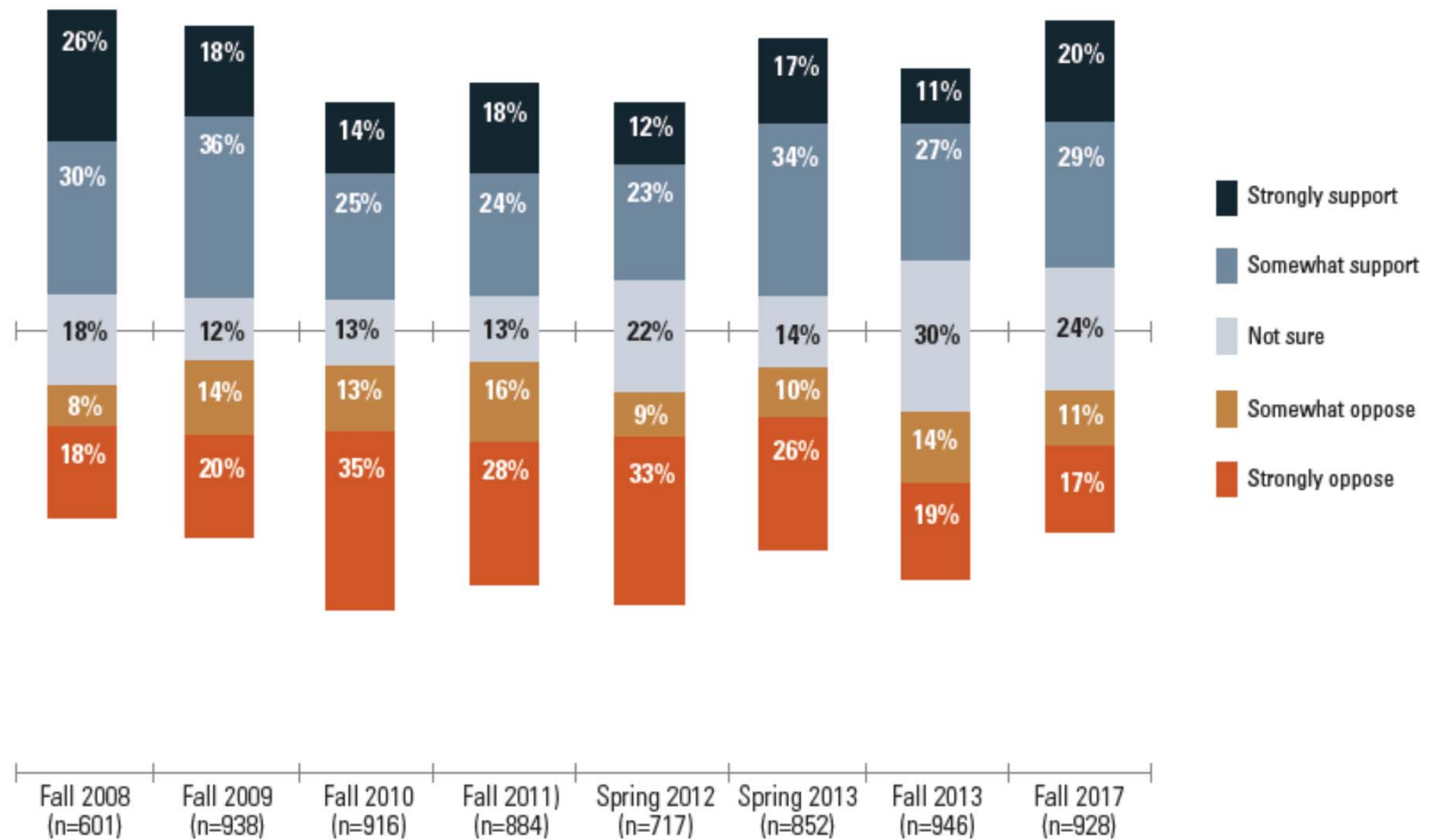
Support/opposition to state cap-and-trade, in general and in one's own state
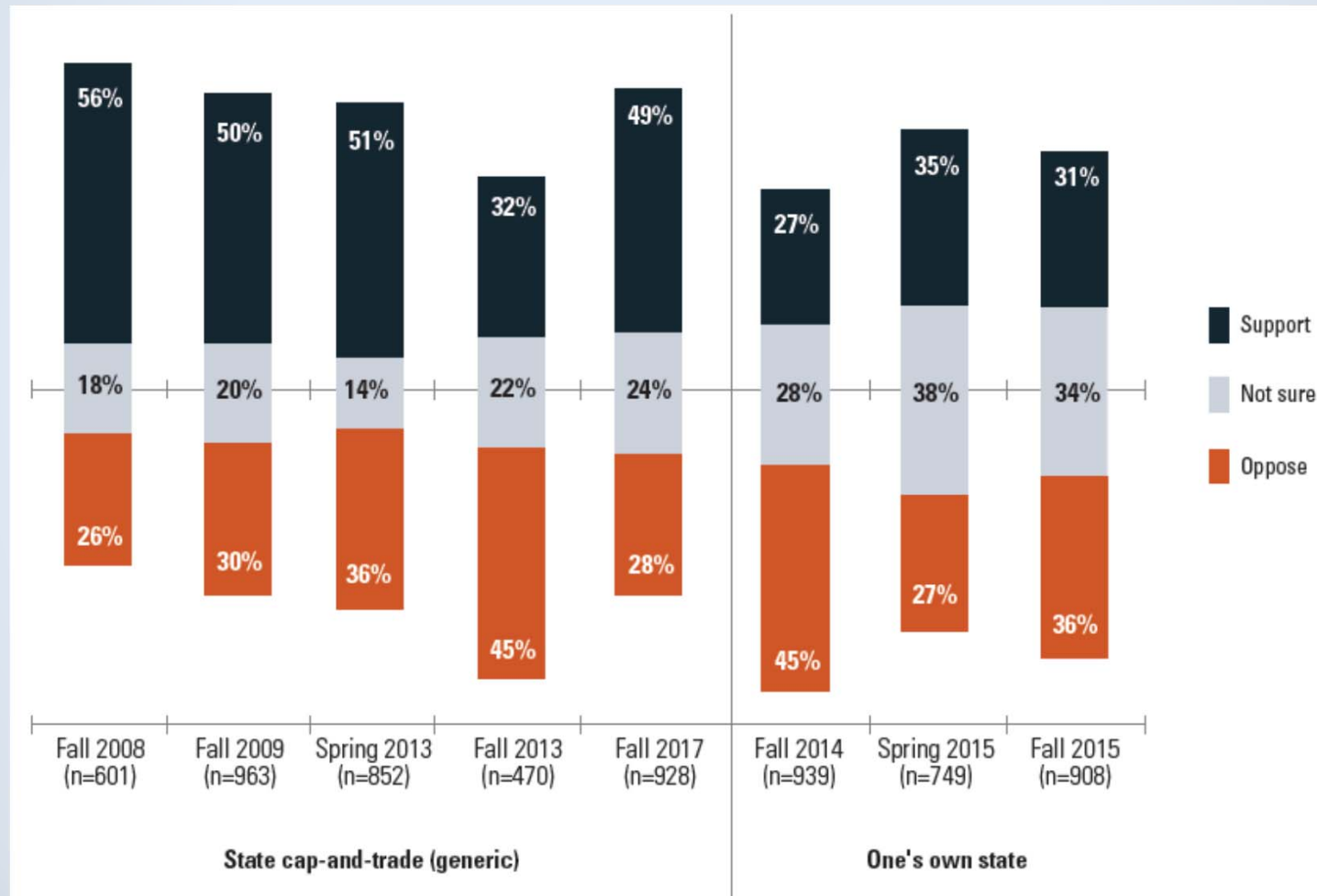
Net support for cap-and-trade, by political party
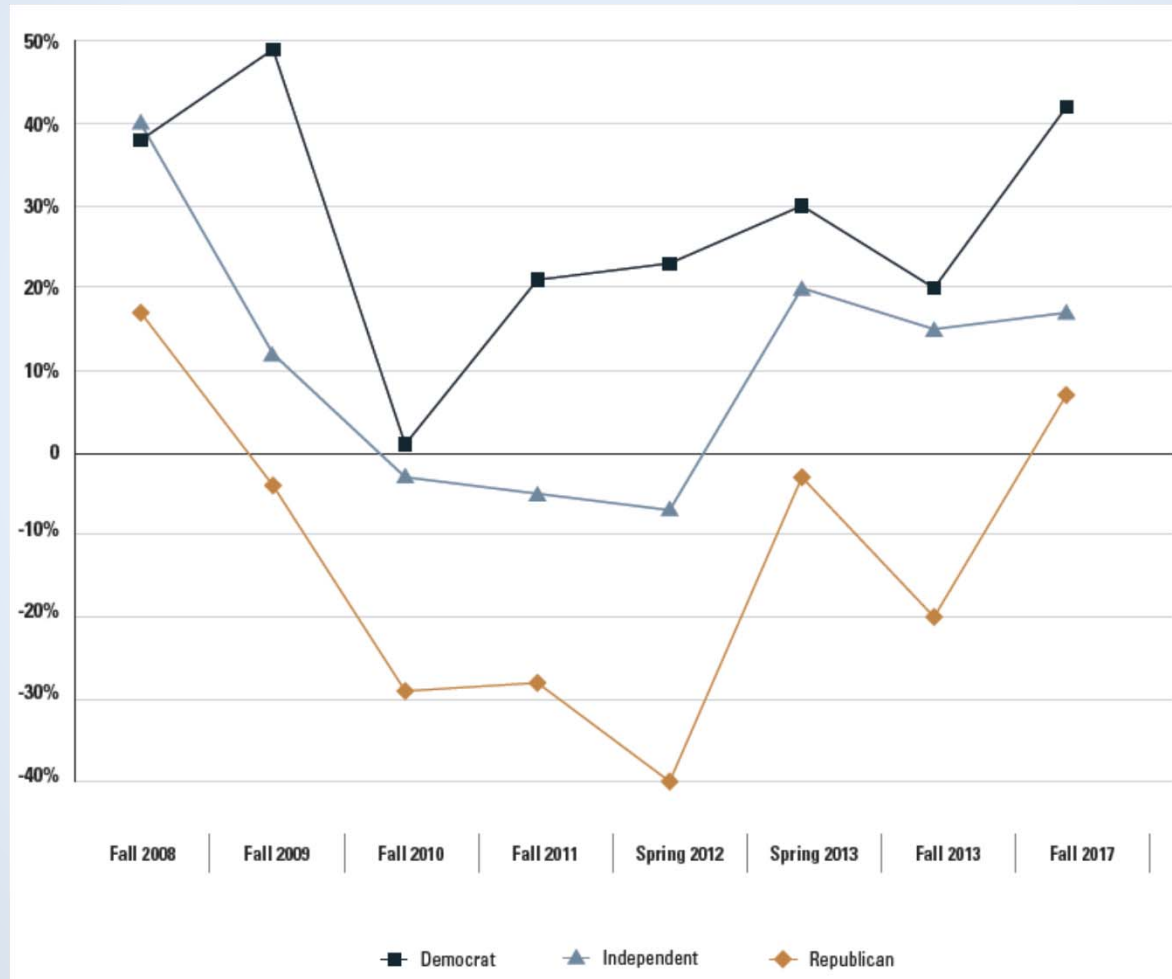
Net support for cap-and-trade, by stance toward climate change
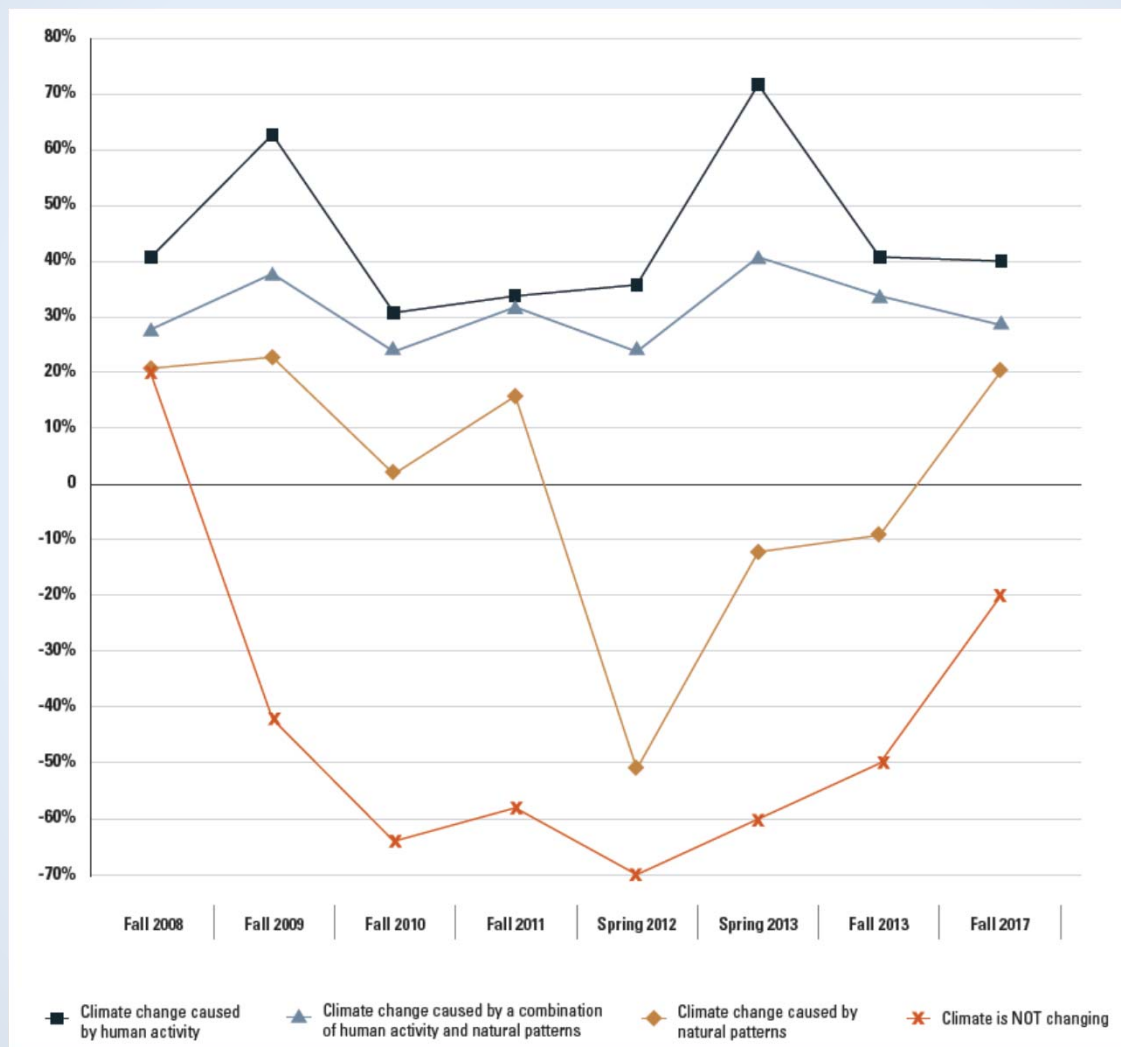
Volunteered "not sure" responses on support/opposition to cap-and-trade, by political party
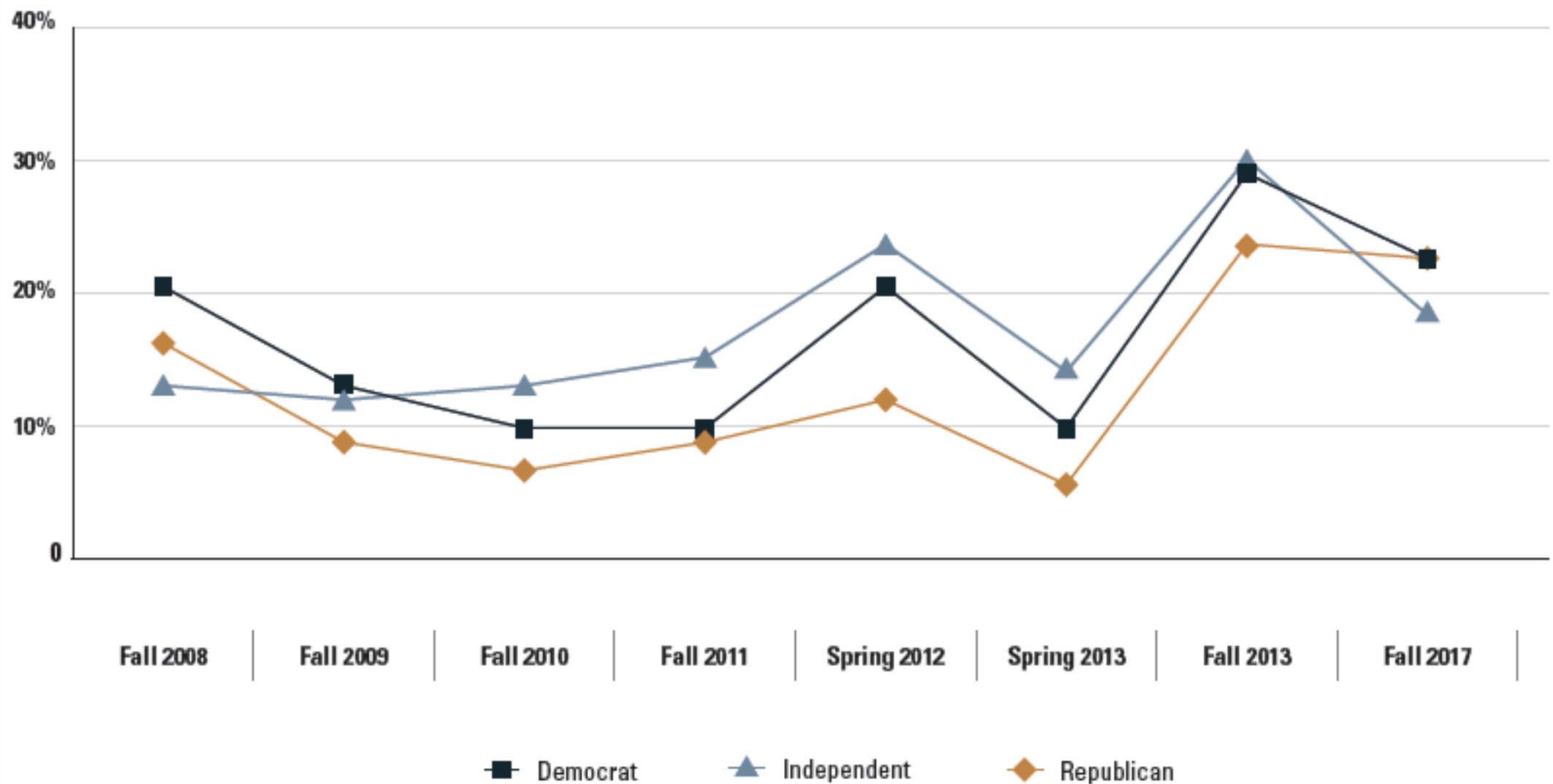
Support/opposition to cap-and-trade with revenue use specified
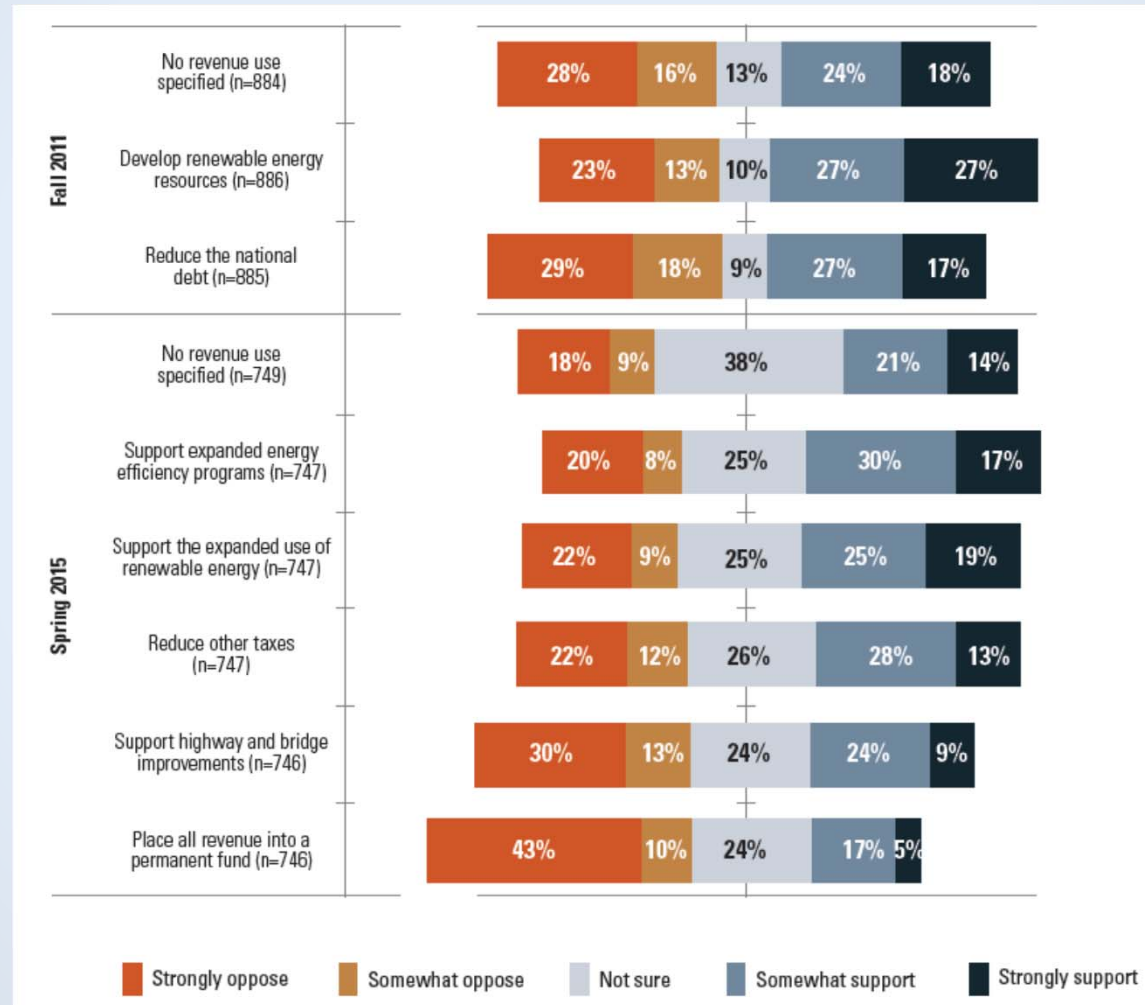
Support/opposition to a carbon tax and cap-and-trade, by survey wave
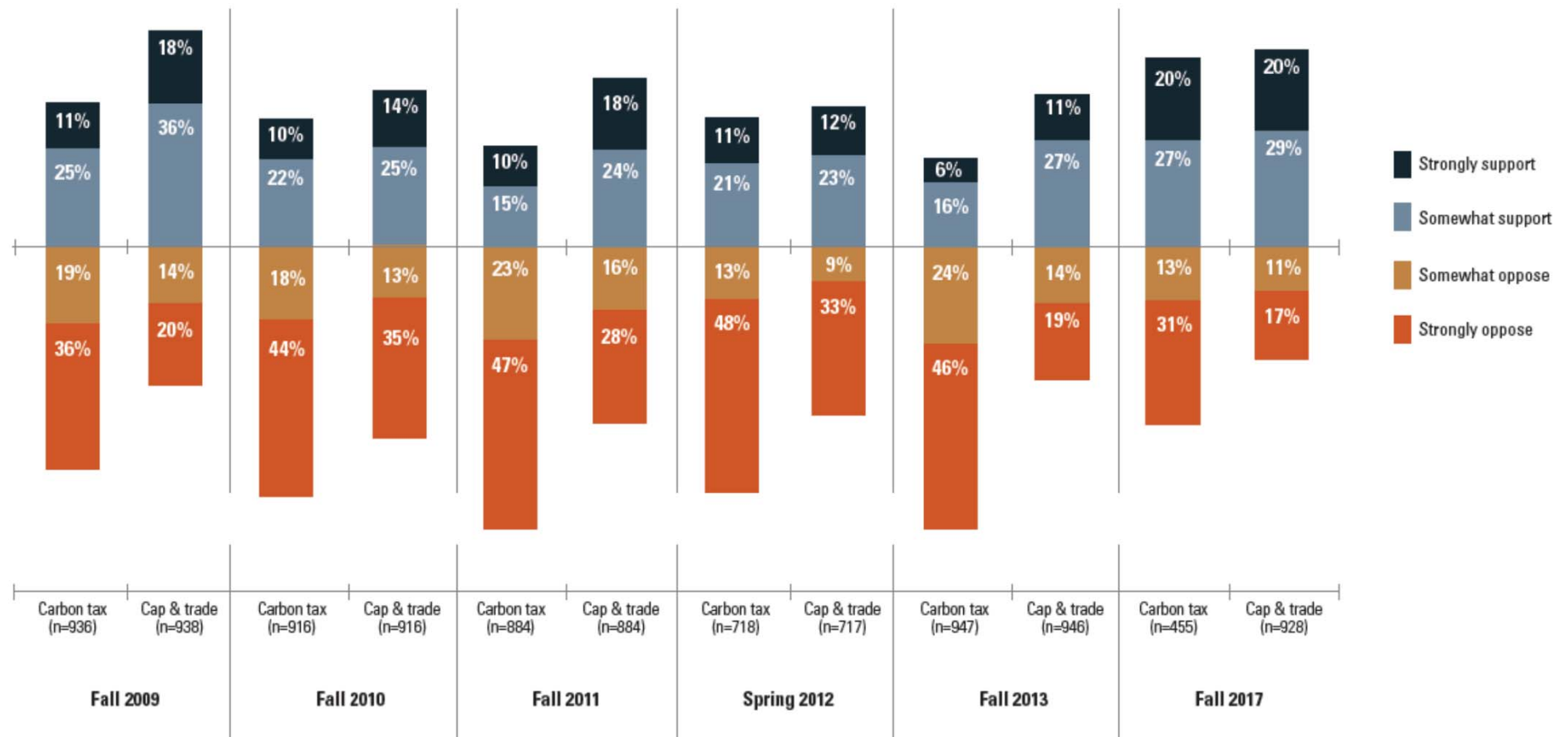
Renewable Energy
10 Years of Public Opinion Data

Sarah Mills, PhD
Senior Project Manager

Renewables have grown from 3% to 10%
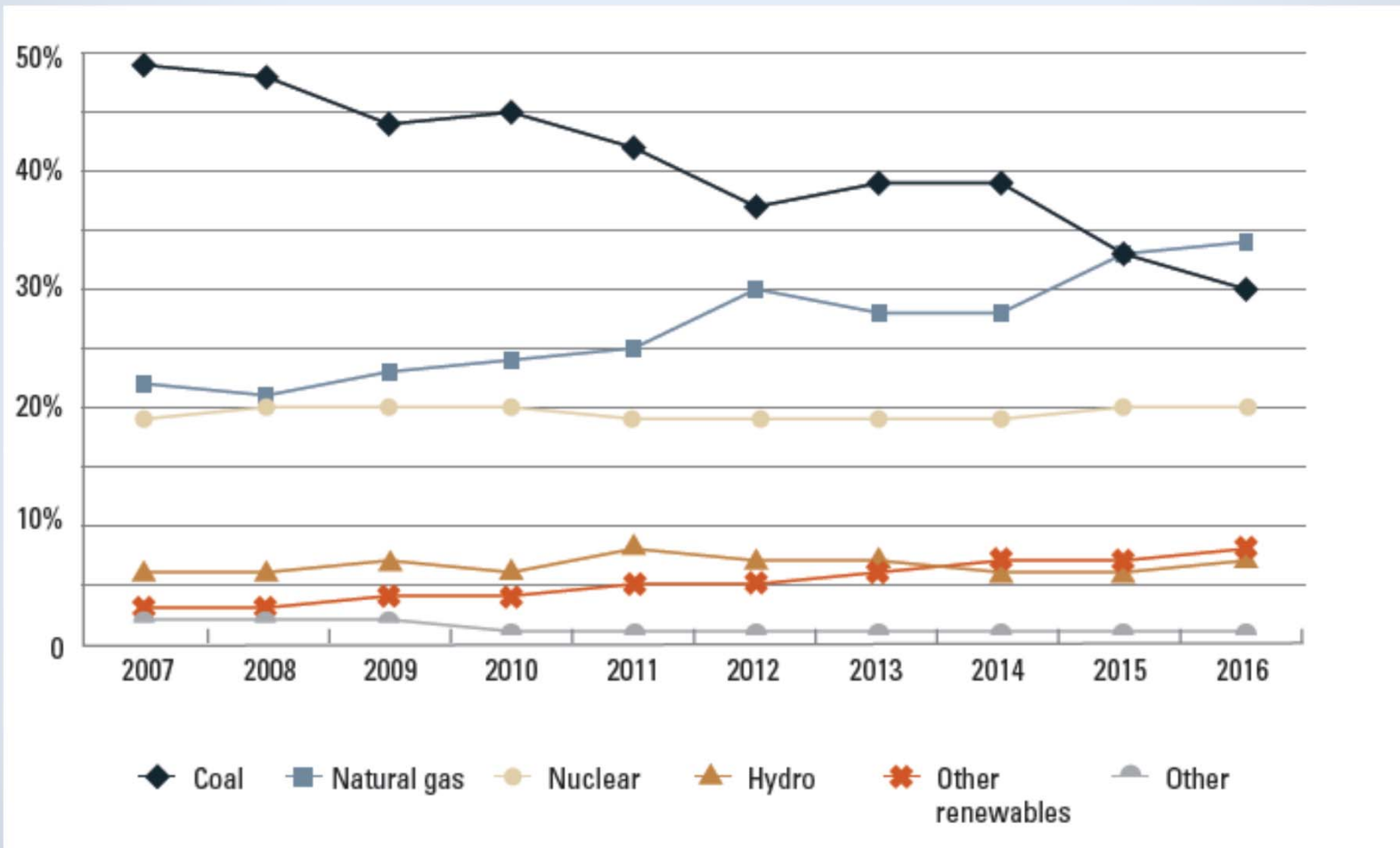
Source: EIA

Renewable Portfolio Standard Policies

www.dsireusa.org / February 2017

WA: 15% x 2020*

OR: 50%x 2040*
(large utilities)

MT: 15% x 2015

ND: 10% x 2015

MN:26.5% x 2025 (IOUs)
31.5% x 2020 (Xcel)

SD: 10% x 2015

WI: 10% 2015

MI: 15% x 2021*†

NY:50% x 2030

NV: 25% x 2025*

UT: 20% x 2025*†

CO: 30% by 2020 (IOUs) *†

KS: 20% x 2020

IA: 105 MW

IL: 25% x 2026

IN: 10% x 2025†

OH: 12.5% x 2026

CA: 50% x 2030

MO:15% x 2021

VA: 15% x 2025†

AZ: 15% x 2025*

NM: 20%x 2020 (IOUs)

OK: 15% x 2015

NC: 12.5% x 2021 (IOUs)

SC: 2% 2021

DC

TX: 5,880 MW x 2015*

HI: 100% x 2045

ME: 40% x 2017

NH: 24.8 x 2025

VT: 75% 2032

MA: 15% x 2020(new resources)
6.03% x 2016 (existing resources)

RI: 38.5% x 2035

CT: 27% x 2020

NJ: 20.38% RE x 2020
+ 4.1% solar by 2027

PA: 18% x 2021†

DE: 25% x 2026*

MD: 25% x 2020

DC: 50% x 2032

U.S. Territories

NMI: 20% x 2016	Guam: 25% x 2035
PR: 20% x 2035	**USVI:** 30% x 2025

29 States + Washington DC + 3 territories have a Renewable Portfolio Standard
(8 states and 1 territories have renewable portfolio goals)

Renewable portfolio standard

Renewable portfolio goal

* Extra credit for solar or customer-sited renewables

† Includes non-renewable alternative resources

Consistently high support for requiring renewable energy (RPS)

Legend:
- Strongly support
- Somewhat support
- Not sure
- Somewhat oppose
- Strongly oppose

	Fall 2008 (n=603)	Fall 2009 (n=963)	Fall 2010 (n=915)	Spring 2012 (n=716)	Spring 2013 (n=853)	Fall 2013 (n=477)	Spring 2015 (n=751)	Fall 2016 (n=940)	Spring 2017 (n=837)	Fall 2017 (n=929)
Strongly support	61%	41%	42%	52%	41%	46%	42%	50%	50%	62%
Somewhat support	23%	36%	35%	25%	34%	33%	30%	31%	29%	21%
Not sure	4%	6%	3%	4%	4%	3%	6%	3%	6%	3%
Somewhat oppose	5%	8%	11%	6%	4%	7%	7%	8%	6%	5%
Strongly oppose	7%	9%	9%	14%	18%	11%	15%	9%	10%	8%

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Net support for RPS across political spectrum
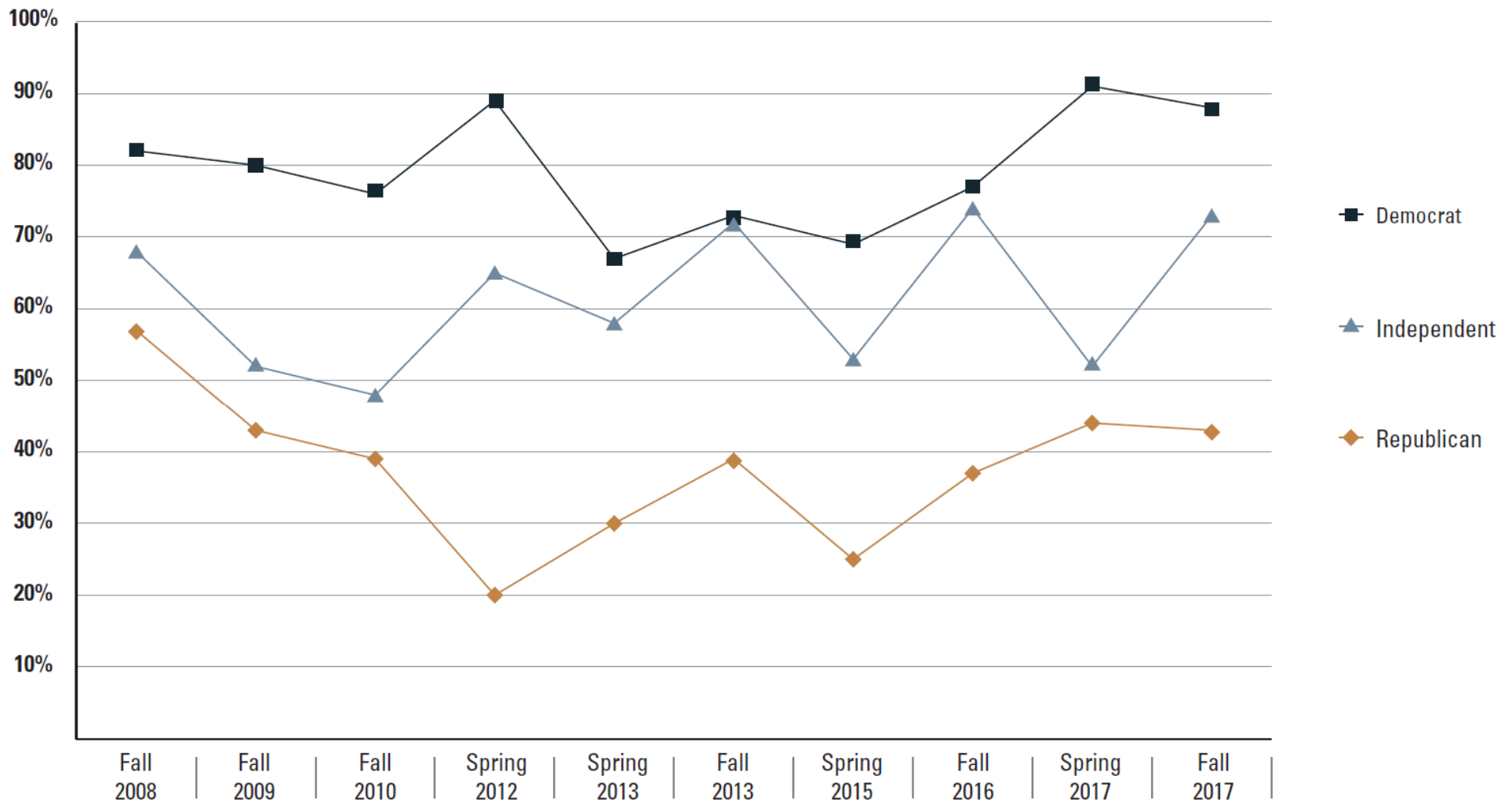
Net support for RPS
even among climate skeptics
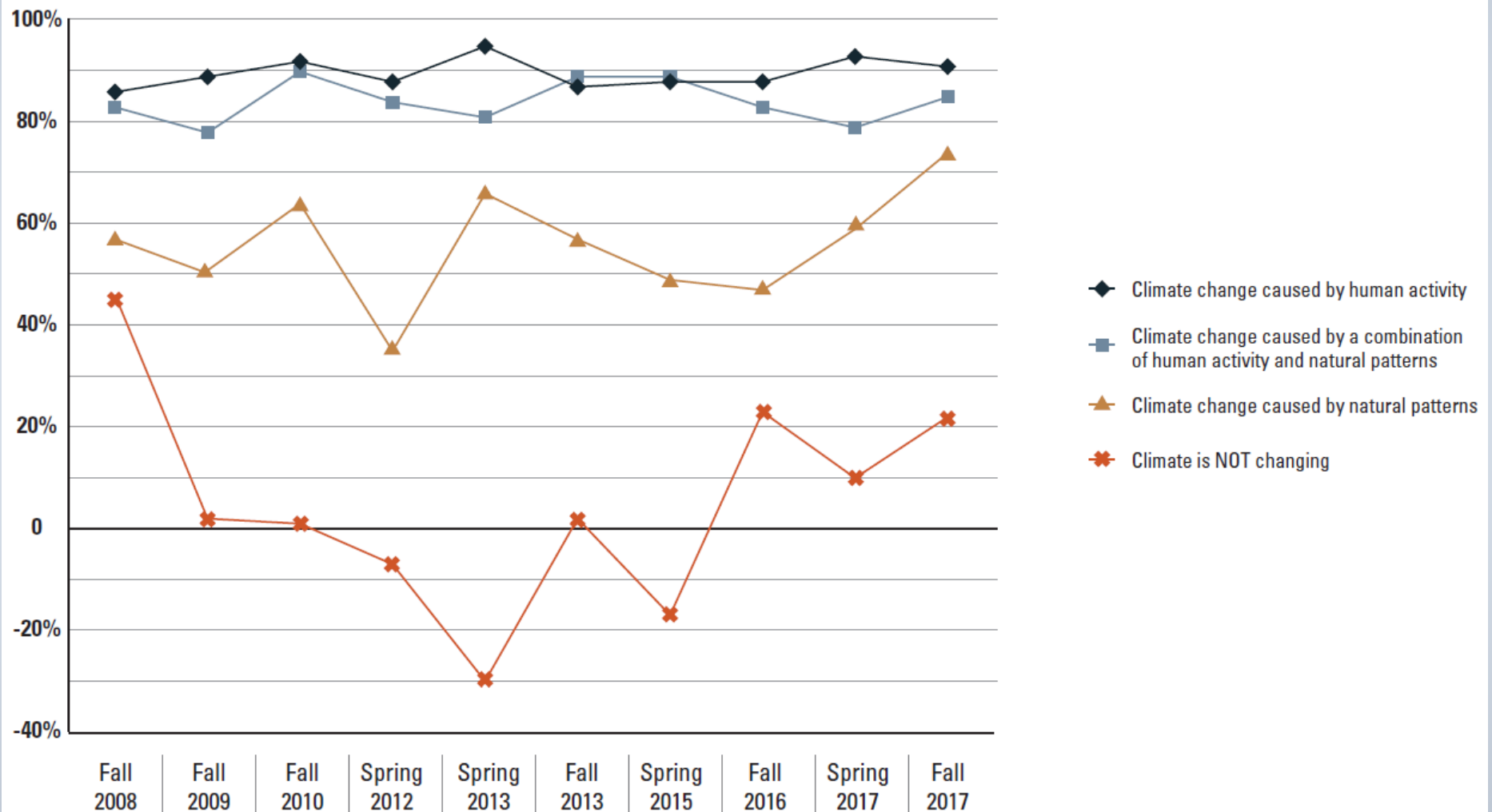
No difference in support based on RPS status

Most don't know if state has RPS; more (incorrectly) think don't have RPS

Support for RPS __drops__ once price applied

Drop in support with cost true across political spectrum
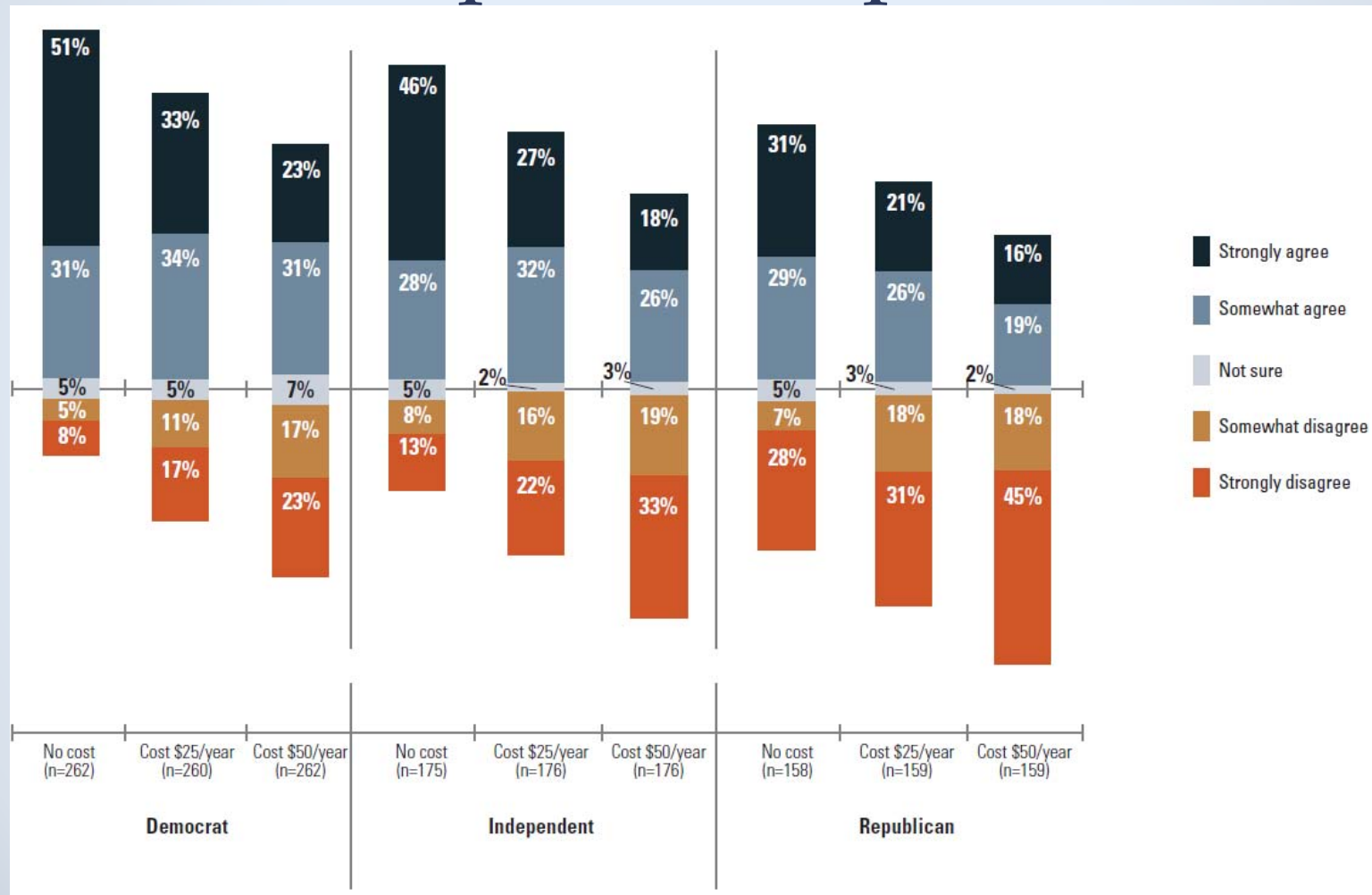
Most willing to pay <u>something</u> more for renewable energy; growing portion pay >$50/year

Legend:
- Over $500 per year
- $250-$500 per year
- $100-$250 per year
- $50-$100 per year
- $1-$50 per year
- Nothing
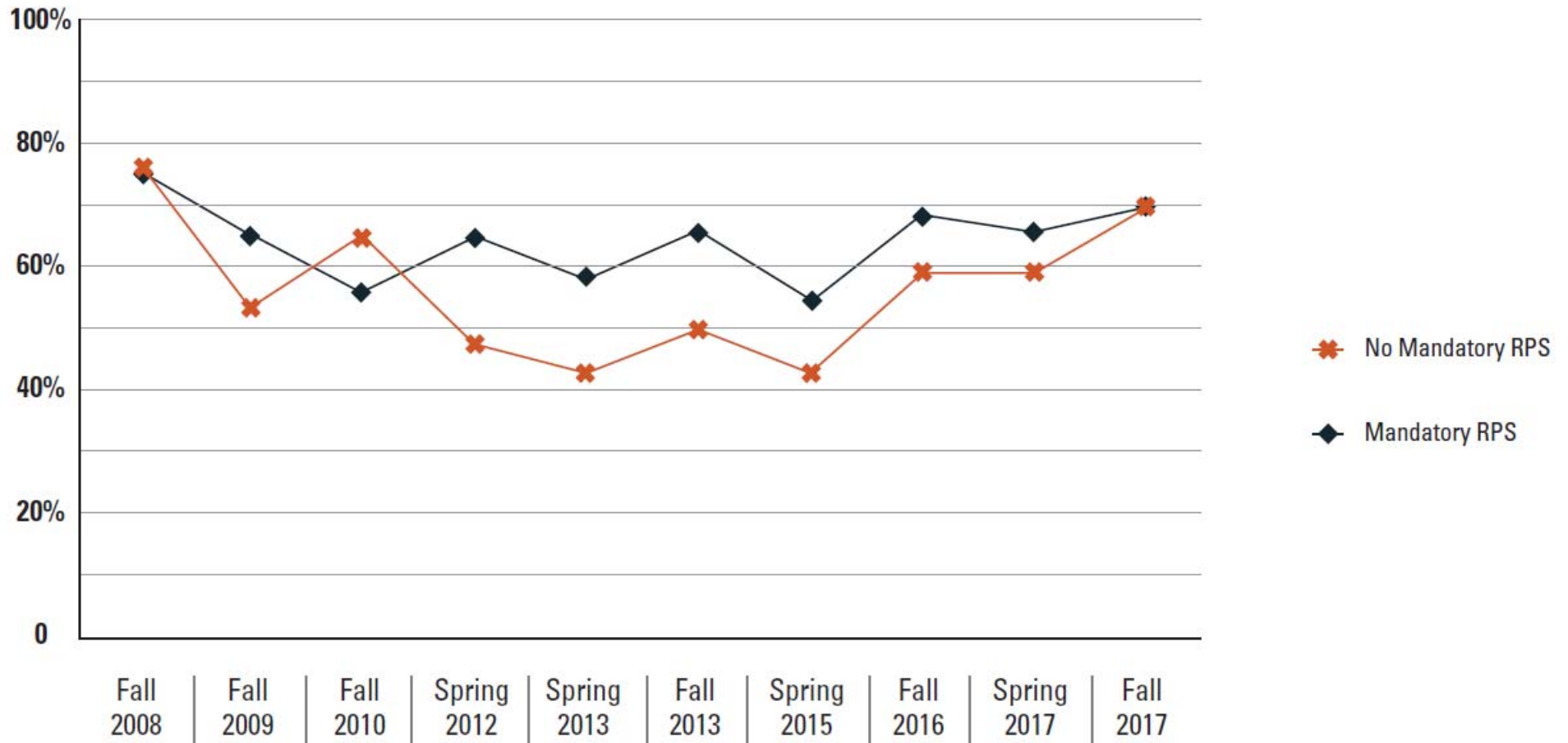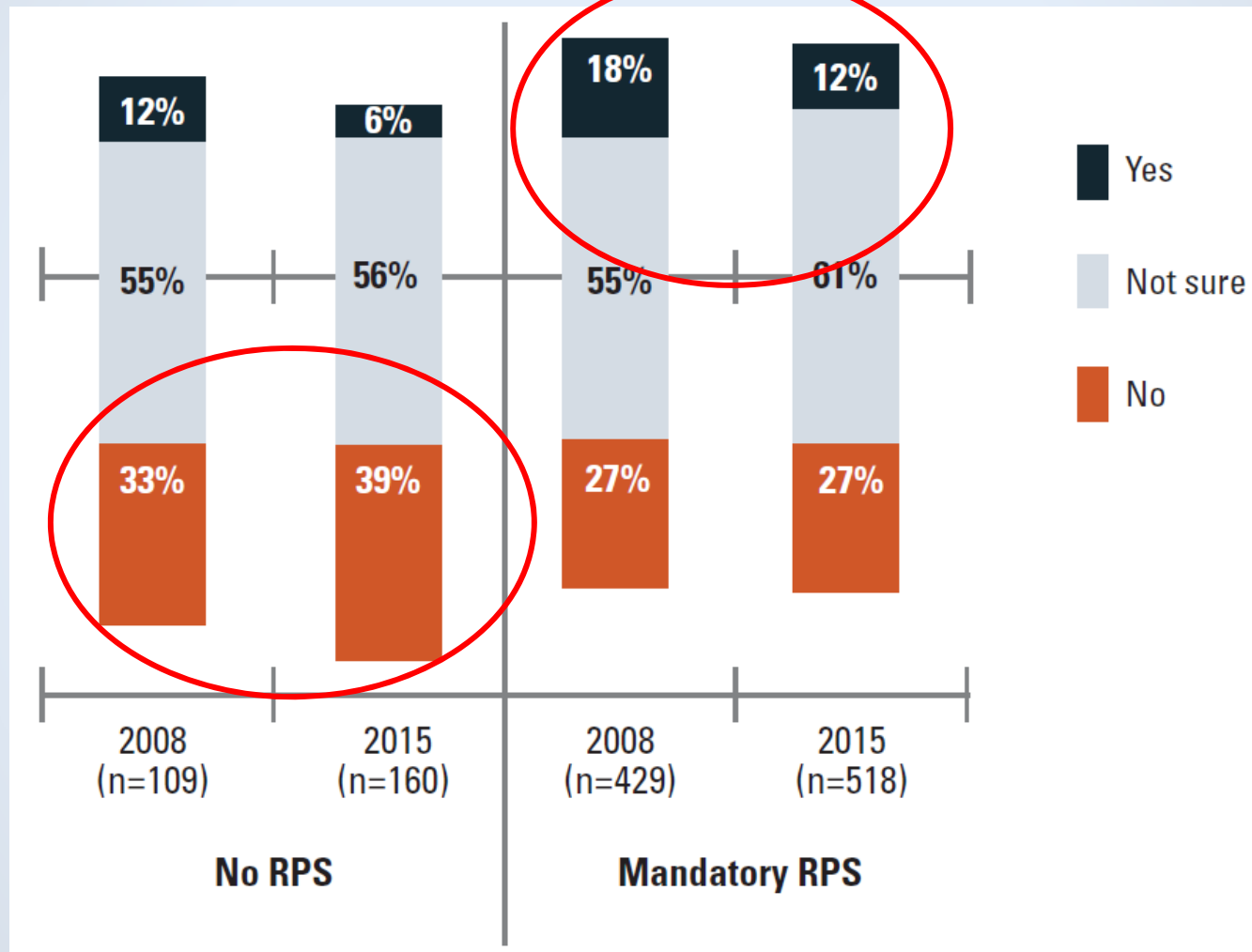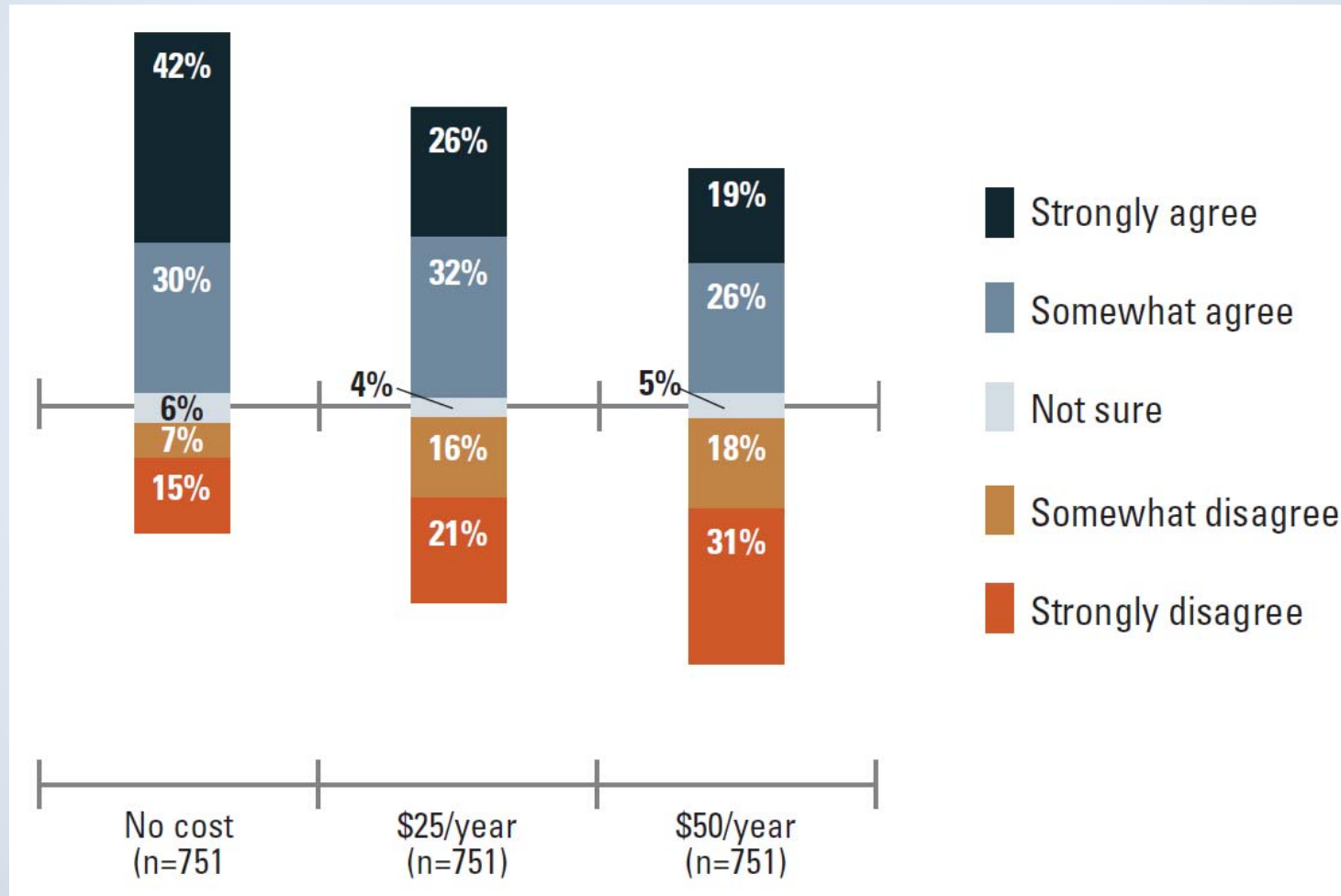- Not sure

	Fall 2008 (n=596)	Fall 2009 (n=936)	Fall 2010 (n=910)	Fall 2011 (n=882)	Fall 2012 (n=910)	Fall 2014 (n=939)	Fall 2016 (n=937)	Spring 2017 (n=829)	Fall 2017 (n=922)	Spring 2018 (n=747)
Over $500	7%	2%	2%	2%	3%	3%	3%	3%	6%	6%
$250-$500	3%	3%	4%	3%	3%	4%	4%	4%	7%	7%
$100-$250	10%	10%	7%	7%	9%	7%	8%	7%	11%	12%
$50-$100	13%	13%	17%	14%	18%	16%	16%	18%	13%	18%
$1-$50	16%	31%	26%	25%	26%	18%	25%	28%	21%	21%
Nothing	16%	35%	41%	45%	34%	46%	42%	34%	36%	27%
Not sure	24%	6%	4%	4%	7%	6%	2%	6%	6%	9%
(lowest)	15%									

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Climate skeptics support renewables, but not willing to pay more to get them
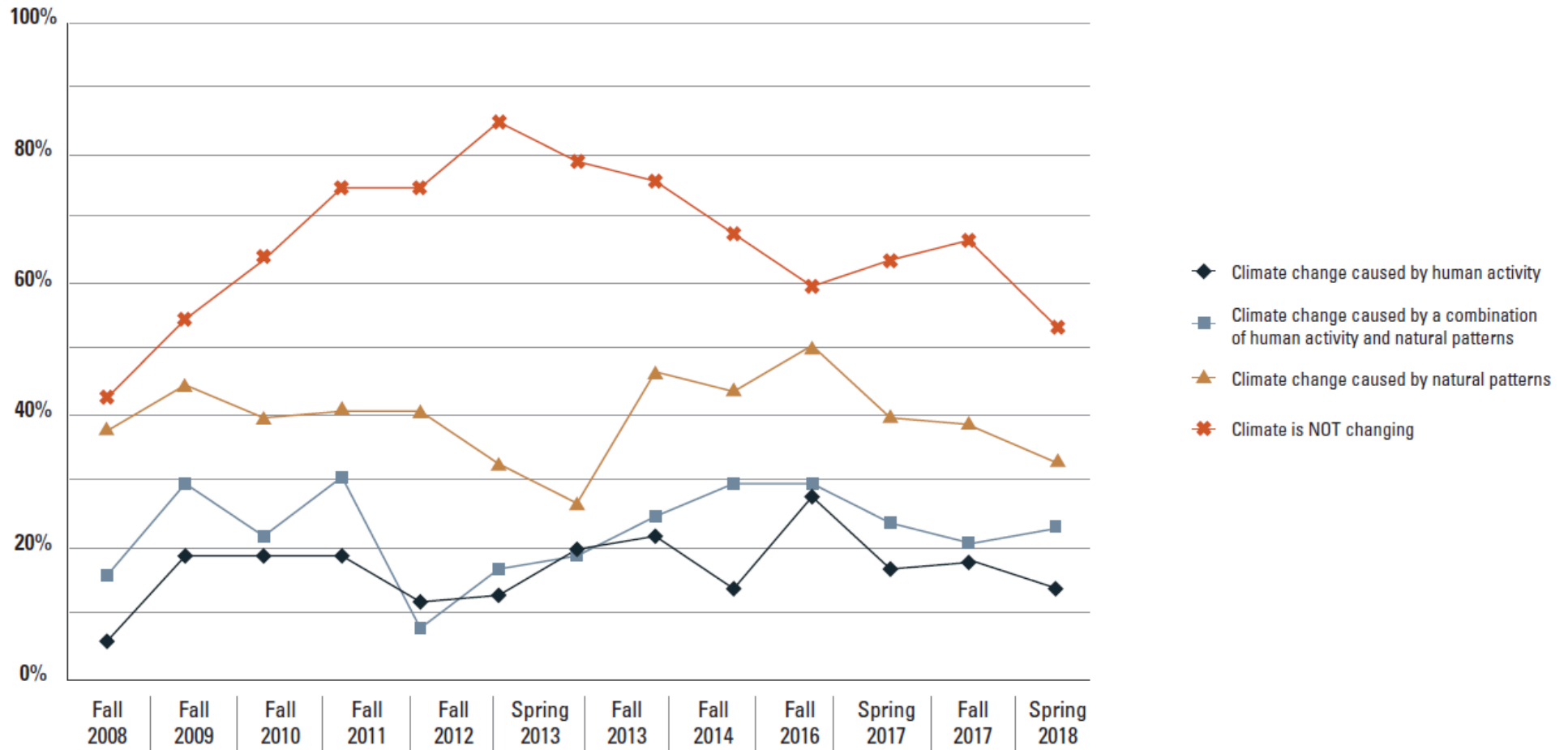
RPS leadership increasing seen as competitive disadvantage
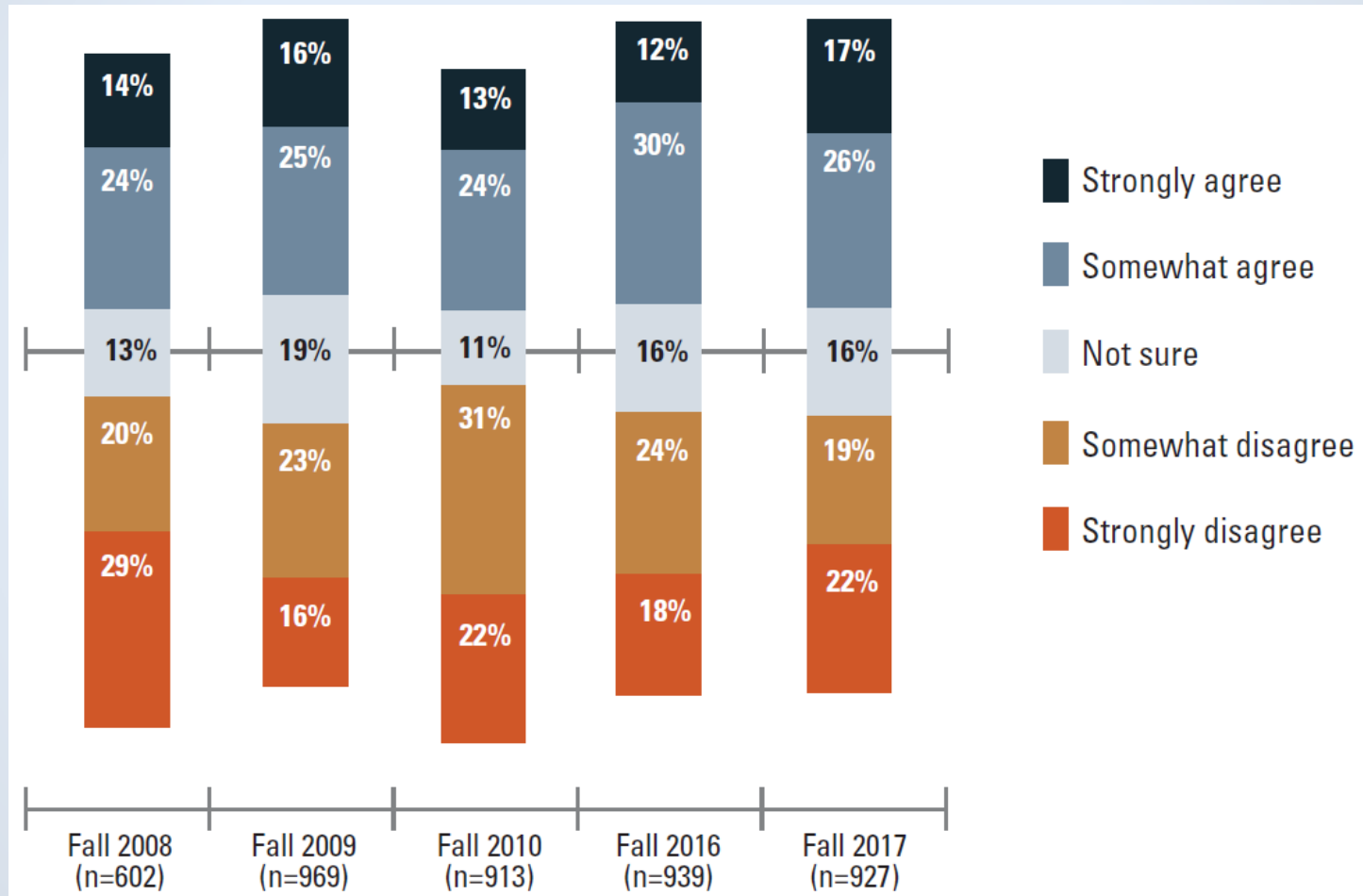
Question Text: "My state's economy will be damaged if it requires greater use of RE while neighboring state's don't."

Net agreement that RPS causes competitive disadvantage among Republicans, Independents

Apart from mandates, <u>wide support</u> for increasing wind, solar

Wind seen as job-creator more than climate solution
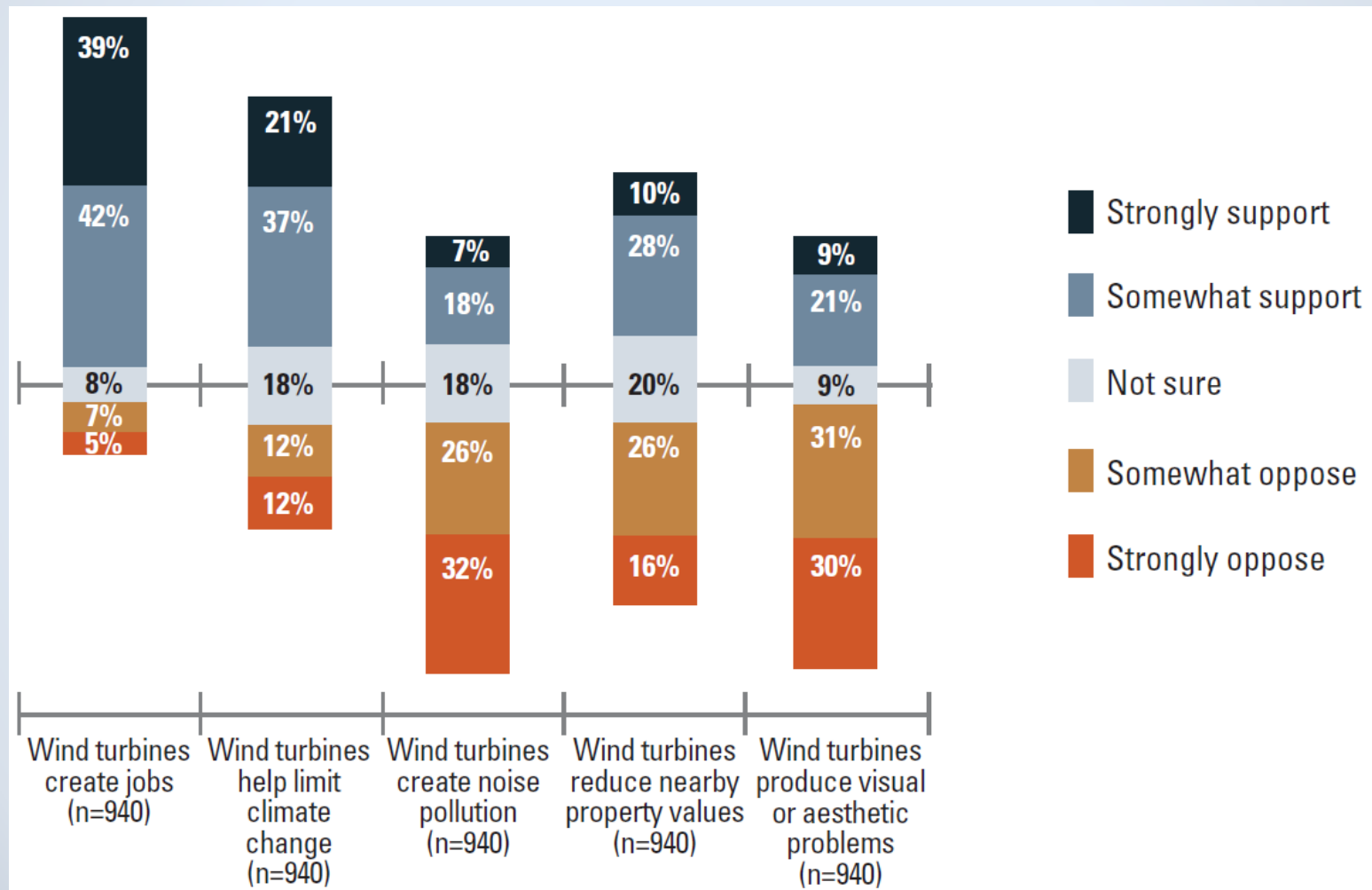
Solar seen as more reliable

Create jobs

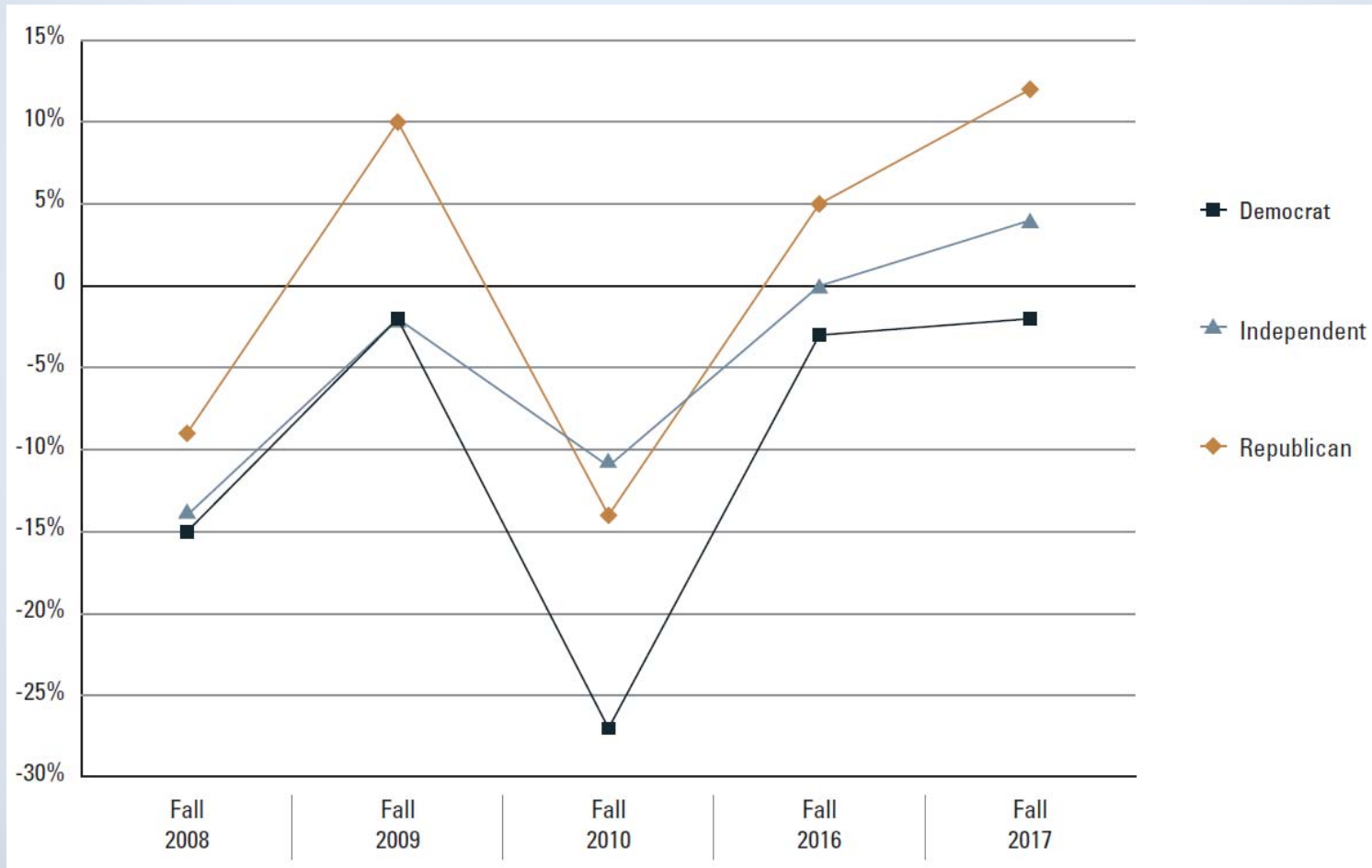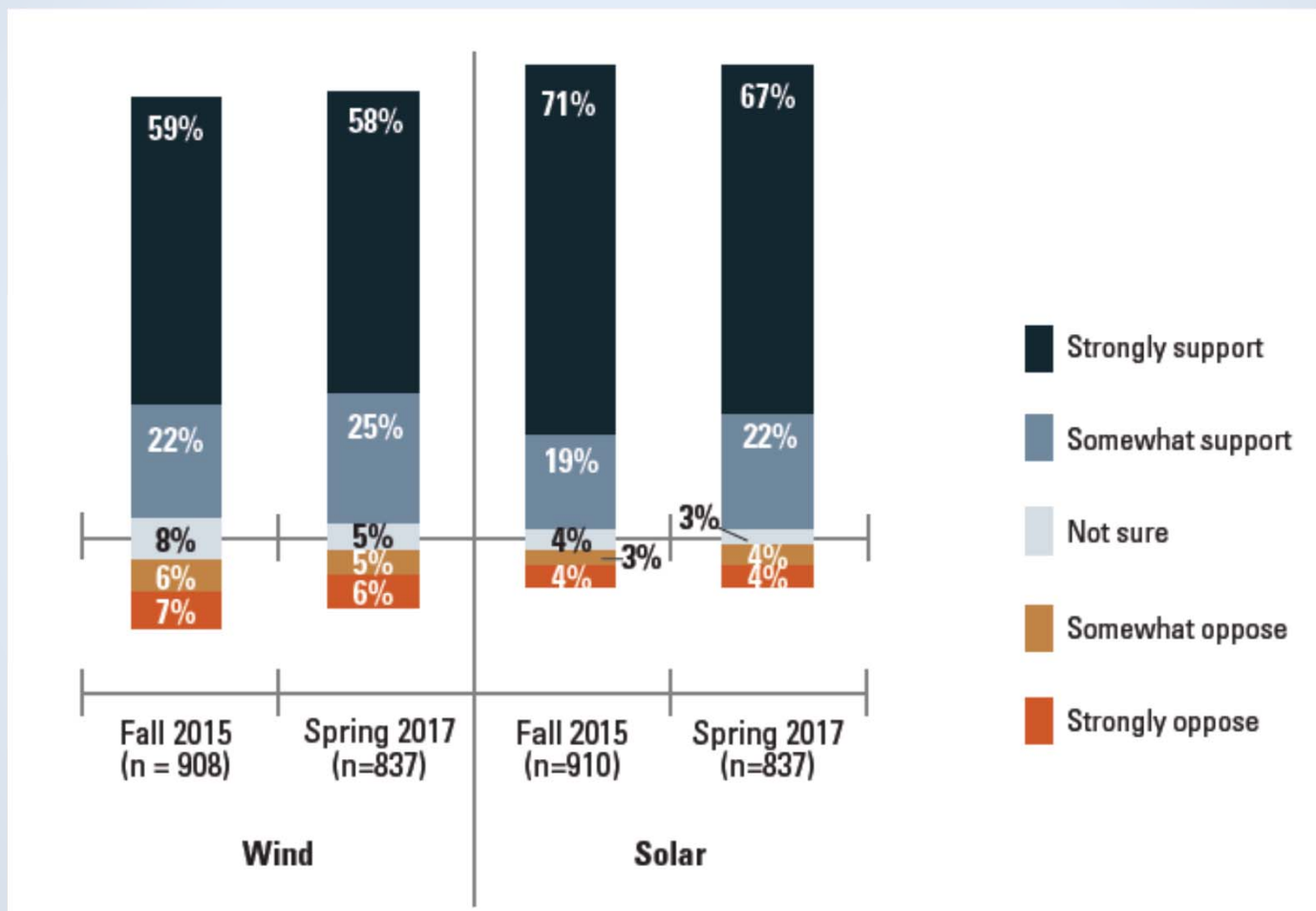|	Solar panels (n=422)	Wind turbines (n-413)
Strongly support	45%	42%
Somewhat support	36%	39%
Not sure	11%	10%
Somewhat oppose	5%	7%
Strongly oppose	3%	2%

Produce visual or aesthetic problems

	Solar panels (n=422)	Wind turbines (n-413)
Strongly support	9%	9%
Somewhat support	18%	21%
Not sure	10%	10%
Somewhat oppose	28%	28%
Strongly oppose	35%	31%

Are an unreliable source of electricity

	Solar panels (n=421)	Wind turbines (n-412)
Strongly support	8%	8%
Somewhat support	14%	18%
Not sure	16%	19%
Somewhat oppose	25%	26%
Strongly oppose	38%	29%

Legend:
- Strongly support
- Somewhat support
- Not sure
- Somewhat oppose
- Strongly oppose

Closing Thoughts

- Wide support for renewables, slightly less for RPS ("mandate")

- Most willing to pay for renewables, but with cost, support decreases

- Wide support likely due to non-climate benefits (e.g., job creation)

  o But mandates not necessarily seen as competitive advantage

Look for full report later this summer:
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Outline

- What topics have we covered?

- Using NSEE data:
  - o No statistics required
  - o Guided analysis
  - o Advanced analysis with the dataset

CLOSUP in the Classroom

- University-wide resource housed at the Ford School

- Our Mission
  - Conduct, support, and foster applied academic research that informs local, state, and urban policy
  - Facilitate student learning and engagement with critical policy issues

- Third Century Initiative grant
  - Creation of 2 new courses
  - Archiving datasets for sharing

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What topics does the NSEE cover?

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Related Topics

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No statistics required

- Pre-run data tables
  - Overall frequencies
  - Margin-of-error at top of page

- NSEE reports
  - Graphics
  - Some break-downs by demographics
  - Commentary

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Q5. Next, I would like to ask you a few questions on the issue of global warming. From what you've read and heard. Is there solid evidence that the average temperature on earth has been getting warmer over the past four decades?

		Total
Next, I would like to ask you a few questions on the issue of global warming. From what you've read and heard. Is there solid evidence that the average temperature on earth has been getting warmer over the past four decades?	Yes	70%
	No	19%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	11%
	N	837

*Columns may not sum to 100% due to rounding within cells.

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Q6. How confident are you that the average temperature on earth is increasing? Are you very confident, fairly confident, not too confident or not confident at all that the average temperature on earth is increasing?

		Total
How confident are you that the average temperature on earth is increasing? Are you very confident, fairly confident, not too confident or not confident at all that the average temperature on earth is increasing? (Among those who said there is solid evidence of global warming)	Very Confident	68%
	Fairly Confident	26%
	Not Too Confident	3%
	Not Confident At All	1%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	1%
	N	587

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Q7. Is the earth getting warmer because of human activity such as burning fossil fuels, or mostly because of natural patterns in the earth's environment?

		Total
Is the earth getting warmer because of human activity such as burning fossil fuels, or mostly because of natural patterns in the earth's environment? (Among those who said there is solid evidence of global warming)	Human Activity	44%
	Natural Patterns	17%
	A Combination (Volunteered)	34%
	Not Sure (Volunteered)	4%
	N	587

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Q8. What is the primary factor that has caused you to believe that temperatures on earth are increasing? [Coded open-end response]

		Total
What is the primary factor that has caused you to believe that temperatures on earth are increasing? (Among those who said there is solid evidence of global warming) [Coded open-end response]	Declining Glaciers and Polar Ice	9%
	Warmer Temperatures	

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Roughly Half of Americans Willing to Permanently Leave Coal, other Fossil Fuels in the Ground

In 2015, a research article in the journal Nature suggested that, in order to limit climate change to 2 degrees Celsius, over 80 percent of the world's coal reserves would need to be left permanently in the ground.[9] This gave rise to the so-called "Keep it in the Ground" movement which has increasingly expanded to include all fossil fuels. The Fall 2015 NSEE asked respondents where they stood on leaving fossil fuels—particularly coal—in the ground. Overall, 66% of Americans—including majorities of both Republicans and Democrats—said they supported such a policy (see *Figure 5*). Perhaps more surprising, and again challenging the common wisdom of the politics of coal, is that residents in coal mining states were nearly as likely as their counterparts in states without active coal mines to support the idea of leaving some coal in the ground in order to avoid more extreme climate change.

The NSEE returned to the topic on the Fall 2016 survey, but with altered wording. The 2016 version of the question both provided a counterargument to leaving energy in the ground (i.e., energy reliability and affordability) and expanded the list of fossil fuels to include not just coal but also oil and gas. Furthermore, respondents were asked not just whether they supported or opposed leaving these fuels unmined, but whether they would like to see extraction increase, decrease, or stay the same. This subsequent iteration found plurality—but not majority—support for decreasing fossil fuel extraction (see *Figure 6*). While half (50%) of Democrats and 45% of Independents would decrease fossil fuel extraction, a plurality (44%) of Republicans said they would make no change to the amount of fossil fuels the U.S. removes from the ground.

Because there were multiple changes in the question wording between 2015 and 2016, it is impossible to say whether it was overall shifts in attitudes or changes to the question itself that led to numbers showing more modest support for the movement. As the next section suggests, given that Americans are much more supportive of natural gas than coal, the 2016 question's inclusion of all fossil fuels—including gas—likely contributed to this change in response.

Figure 5. Support/opposition for leaving coal in the ground to avoid more extreme climate change, Fall 2015[a]
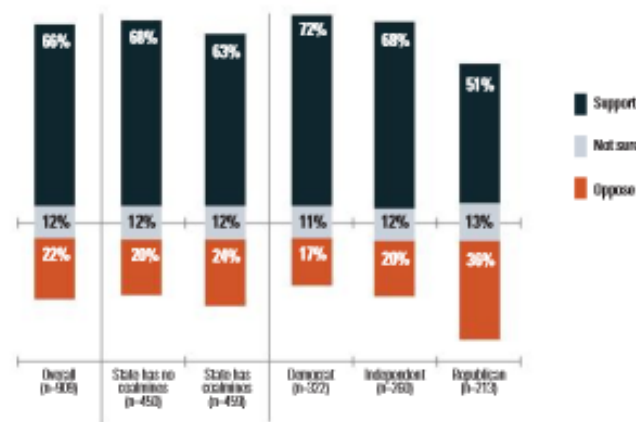
Source: Fall 2015 NSEE

Example

Environmental policy memo

- Standard background, options, recommendation

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- "Present and discuss opinion data related to either your specific environmental problem or the policy solution that you recommend"
  - o Familiarity with issue
  - o Federalism
  - o Alternate policy approaches

Guided analysis
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Guided Analysis

- ICPSR Crosstab Assignment Builder
  - Currently Fall 2008, Fall 2015 data
  - You choose multiple dependent, independent variables
  - See my practice table

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Crosstab Assignment Builder

- Instructions
- Select a different dataset
- Current dataset
- Create a new table
- View SDA codebook
- My saved tables
- Believer Cause
- Clean Power Plan

Warning: This tool should be used for testing only. Any tables you save could be deleted when the underlying SDA data is updated.

Create Table -- National Surveys on Energy and the Environment, Fall 2008 and Fall 2015

[Save & Review] [Clear]

Table Name: Clean Power Plan

Description:

(optional, HTML tag allowed, 1000 characters maximum)

Include Chart: ● Yes ○ No

Percentaging: ☑ Column ☐ Row ☐ Total

Weight: Overall Weight ▼

N of cases to display: ☐ Unweighted ☐ Weighted

Recode Syntax (?)		Row	Column	Control
	Add Recode Syntax	☐	☐	☐

Name	Label	Row	Column	Control

ADMINISTRATIVE VARIABLES

NSEE VARIABLES

Name	Label	Row	Column	Control
GW_BELIEF	Is there solid evidence avg temp on earth has been warming in past 4 decades	☐	☐	☐
BELIEVER_CAUSE	Is the earth warming because of human activity or natural patterns	☐	☐	☐
BELIEVER_CONFIDENCE	How confident are you that the average temperature on earth is increasing	☐	☐	☐
BELIEVER_FACTOR_ALGORE	Belief factor: Al Gore's "An Inconvenient Truth"	☐	☐	☐
BELIEVER_FACTOR_DROUGHTS	Belief factor: Severe droughts across US	☐	☐	☐
BELIEVER_FACTOR_EXTREMES	Belief factor: Extreme weather	☐	☐	☐
BELIEVER_FACTOR_GLACIERS	Belief factor: Declining glaciers & polar ice	☐	☐	☐
BELIEVER_FACTOR_HURRICANE	Belief factor: Strength of US hurricanes	☐	☐	☐
BELIEVER_FACTOR_MILDWINT	Belief factor: milder winters in your area	☐	☐	☐
BELIEVER_FACTOR_MODELS	Belief factor: computer models that indicate the earth is getting warmer	☐	☐	☐
BELIEVER_FACTOR_OPEN	Belief factor: primary factor OPEN ENDED	☐	☐	☐
BELIEVER_FACTOR_OPEN_CODE	Belief factor: primary factor OPEN ENDED coded	☐	☐	☐
BELIEVER_FACTOR_POLARBRS	Belief factor: declining polar bears & penguins	☐	☐	☐

Revise the Table

Row

CPP_ACTION_V2 - Which ▾

Column

GW_BELIEF - Is there soli ▾

Type of Chart

Stacked Bar Chart ▾

Revise the Table

View Table -- National Surveys on Energy and the Environment, Fall 2008 and Fall 2015

Clean Power Plan

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Variables

	Name	Label	Question Text
Row	CPP_ACTION_V2	Which approach should your state take to federal govt's Clean Power Plan	Each state is required to adopt its own emission reduction plan under the Clean Power Plan, or have one imposed upon it by the federal government. Which approach to this federal requirement would you like YOUR state to take?
Column	GW_BELIEF	Is there solid evidence avg temp on earth has been warming in past 4 decades	Now I would like to ask you a few questions on the issue of global warming. From what you've read and heard. Is there solid evidence that the average temperature on earth has been getting warmer over the past four decades?

Weight: Overall Weight

Frequency Distribution

Cells contain: -Column percent -Weighted N	GW_BELIEF 1: Yes	GW_BELIEF 2: No	ROW TOTAL
CPP_ACTION_V2 1: Submit state plan	**63.8%** 342	**59.4%** 73	**62.9%** 414
CPP_ACTION_V2 2: Let federal govt impose plan	**28.4%** 152	**17.5%** 21	**26.4%** 174
CPP_ACTION_V2 3: Refuse and sue	**5.0%** 27	**19.6%** 24	**7.7%** 51
CPP_ACTION_V2 4: Other	**2.8%** 15	**3.5%** 4	**3.0%** 20
COL TOTAL	**100.0%** 536	**100.0%** 122	**100.0%** 658
	mean: 1.47 stdev: 0.72	mean: 1.67 stdev: 0.91	mean: 1.51 stdev: 0.76

Export to CSV

Chart

Which approach should your state take to federal govt's Clean Power Plan BY Is there solid evidence avg temp on earth has been warming in past 4 decades
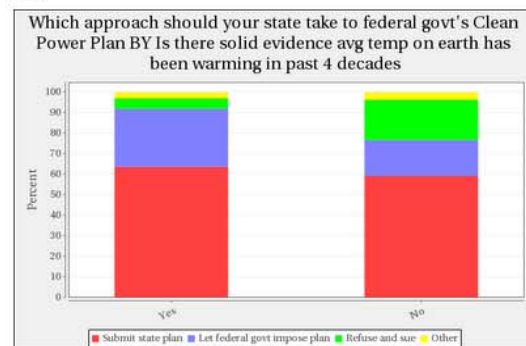
Citation: National Surveys on Energy and the Environment, Fall 2008 and Fall 2015. Analysis ran on 2018-06-05 (10:19 AM EDT) using SDA 3.5: Tables.

WARNING: Patterns may be skewed by sample size and number of cells in the table -- tables in which any cell has an expected value less than 5 should be interpreted with extreme caution.

Revise the Table

Row

SOLAR_MYSTATE_CPP - S ▼

Column

DEMOG_POLPARTY - Poli ▼

Type of Chart

Stacked Bar Chart ▼

Revise the Table

View Table -- National Surveys on Energy and the Environment, Fall 2008 and Fall 2015

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Variables

	Name	Label	Question Text
Row	SOLAR_MYSTATE_CPP	Support increasing the use of solar energy in your state, framed by CPP	The federal government has introduced a Clean Power Plan that is designed to reduce greenhouse gases from power plants. The plan lets states pick from a series of options in deciding on how to reduce power plant emissions. For each of the following policy options I read please indicate if you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose your state adopting that policy as a means of reducing emissions? ... Increasing the use of solar energy in your state.
Column	DEMOG_POLPARTY	Political party affiliation	Which of the following best describes your political party affiliation

Weight: Overall Weight

Frequency Distribution

Cells contain: **-Column percent** -Weighted N	DEMOG_POLPARTY 1: Democrat	DEMOG_POLPARTY 2: Republican	DEMOG_POLPARTY 3: Other party	DEMOG_POLPARTY 4: Independent	ROW TOTAL
SOLAR_MYSTATE_CPP 1: Strongly support	80.9% 251	64.7% 131	66.8% 22	72.5% 186	73.5% 591
SOLAR_MYSTATE_CPP 2: Somewhat support	13.6% 42	24.6% 50	22.0% 7	22.3% 57	19.5% 157
SOLAR_MYSTATE_CPP 3: Somewhat oppose	2.3% 7	4.9% 10	3.6% 1	2.7% 7	3.1% 25
SOLAR_MYSTATE_CPP 4: Strongly oppose	3.2% 10	5.9% 12	7.6% 2	2.5% 6	3.8% 31
COL TOTAL	100.0% 311	100.0% 203	100.0% 33	100.0% 257	100.0% 803
	mean: 1.28 stdev: 0.66	mean: 1.52 stdev: 0.84	mean: 1.52 stdev: 0.89	mean: 1.35 stdev: 0.66	mean: 1.37 stdev: 0.73

Export to CSV

Chart

Support increasing the use of solar energy in your state, framed by CPP BY Political party affiliation
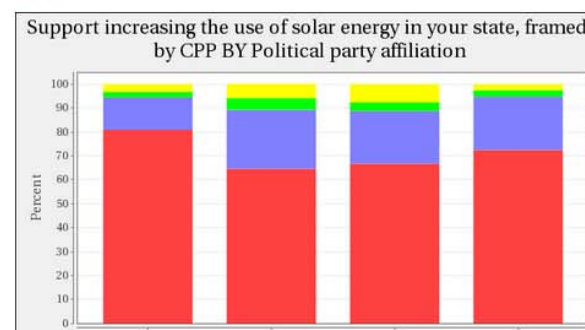
Advanced analysis

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Using the datasets

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Advanced analysis

- <u>Single-survey datasets</u>
  - o Open access
  - o Multiple formats: SPSS, STATA, CSV
  - o Minimal masking

- Longitudinal <u>dataset</u>
  - o ICPSR members

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Open Access Datasets

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Version Title: Fall 2008 - Spring 2017

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Folder Description

Summary:
The Spring 2017 NSEE included longitudinal questions about belief in climate change, plus additional content related to support for state policies to address climate change, wind turbines, solar panels, and more.

The results are based on a telephone survey of 841 adult (age 18 or older) residents of the United States between April 17 and May 16, 2017. Respondents were interviewed in English on both landlines (201) and cell phones (640) by the staff of the Muhlenberg College Institute of Public Opinion (MCIPO) in Allentown, Pennsylvania on the Institute's Computer Aided Telephone Interviewing (CATI) system.

Scope of Folder

Subject Terms: global warming; climate change; beliefs; energy policy; wind energy; solar energy; solar panels; wind turbines; environmental policy

Geographic Coverage: United States

Collection Date(s): 4/17/2017 – 5/16/2017 (Spring 2017)

Data Type(s): survey data

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How confident are you that the average temperature on earth is increasing? Are you very confident, fairly confident, not too confident or not confident at all that the average temperature on earth is increasing?	16	believer	believer_confidence		4	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	8	4	8	6
Is the earth getting warmer because of human activity such as burning fossil fuels, or mostly because of natural patterns in the earth's environment?	16	believer	believer_cause		5	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	9	5	9	7
In your view is global warming a very serious problem, somewhat serious, not too serious, or not a problem?	9	believer	believer_problem		6	5	6	6	6	6	6	6		6						
Do you or do you not think global warming requires immediate government action?	5	believer	believer_immediacy		7			7		7		7		7						
What is the primary factor that has caused you to believe that temperatures on earth are increasing?	15	believer_factor	believer_factor_open		8		8	8	8	8	8	8	6	8	6	6	10	6	10	8
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Next I would like to read you a list of factors that may or may not have had an effect on your view that the earth is getting warmer.	15	believer_factor	believer_factor_droughts		16		16	16	16	16	16	15	13	15	13	13	17	13	17	17
Next I would like to read you a list of factors that may or may not have had an effect on your view that the earth is getting warmer. For each factor I mention please indicate if it has had a very large, somewhat large, not too large or no effect on your view that the earth is getting warmer. (ROTATE) Computer models that indicate the earth is getting warmer.	14	believer_factor	believer_factor_models		11		11	11	11	11	11	11	9	11	9	9	13	9	13	
Next I would like to read you a list of factors that may or may not have had an effect on your view that the earth is getting warmer. For each factor I mention please indicate if it has had a very large, somewhat large, not too large or no effect on your view that the earth is getting warmer. (ROTATE) Declining numbers of polar bears and penguins .	14	believer_factor	believer_factor_polarbrs		15		15	15	15	15	15	14	12	14	12	12	16	12	16	
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Curated Dataset

Coming Soon…

- Expanded longitudinal [dataset]
  - Data from 2008 to 2017

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