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# National Youth Poll

Data Visualizations from Waves 1-4

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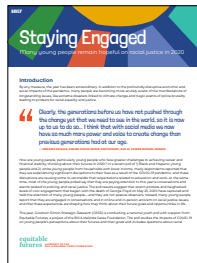
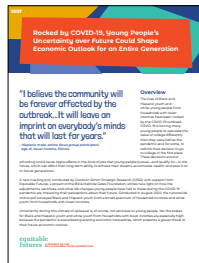
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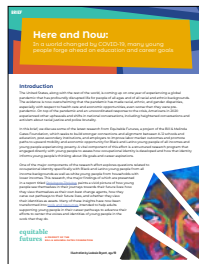
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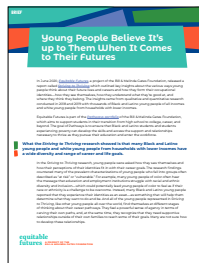
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Across race, gender, and income level, fewer youth respondents in 2020 feel that they know what they want to do and the steps to get there.

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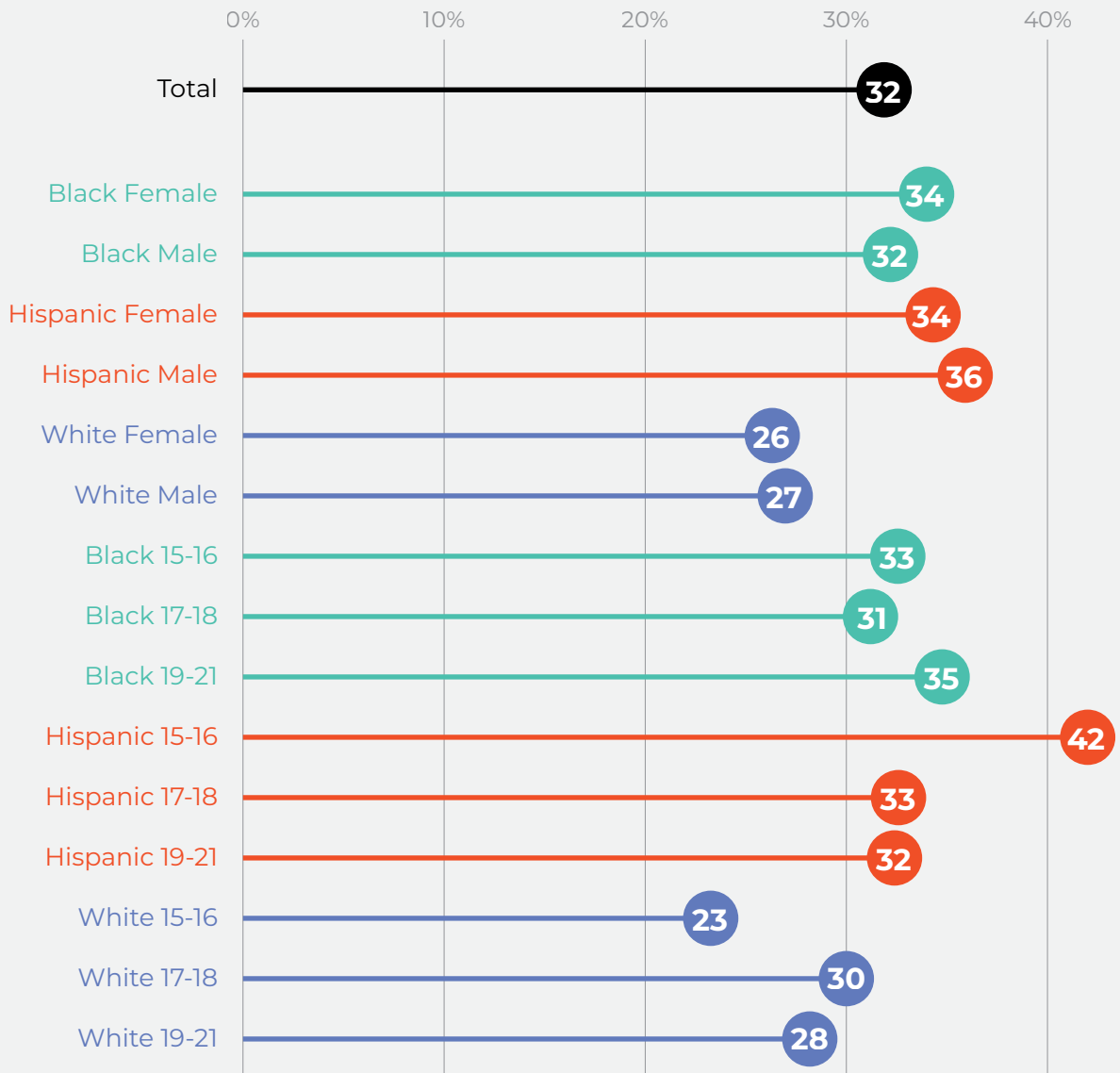
*“I know what I want to do for my career, and I also know the specific steps I need to get there.”*



**30%** of Hispanic male respondents felt this way in 2020. This number is a decline from the 2019 survey.

Do you help provide care for other people in your household, such as a child younger than you or an older person living with you?

**Those answering: Yes, I help provide care for someone younger than me**

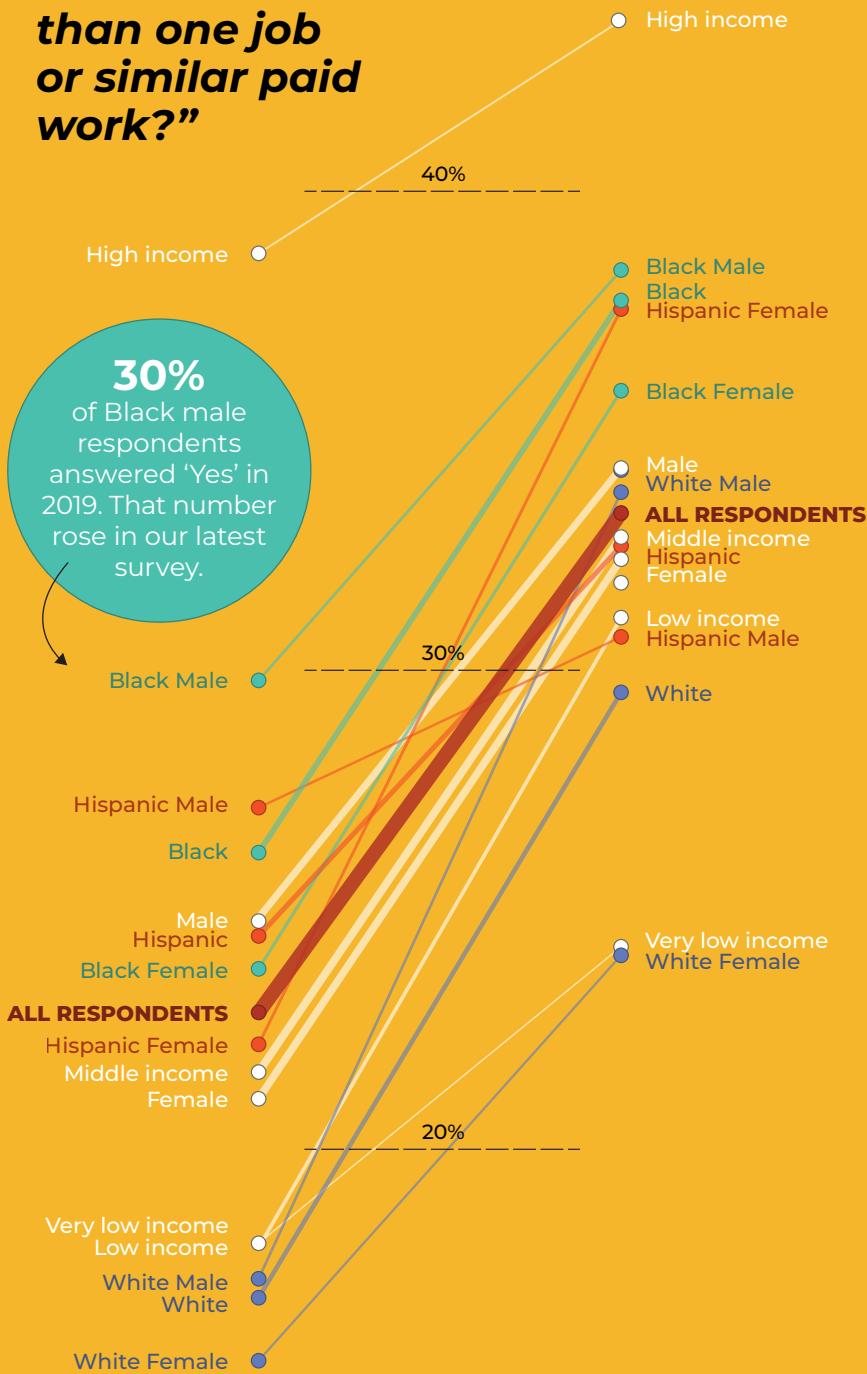


**Across race, gender, and income level, more youth respondents in 2020 report working multiple jobs than they did in 2019.**

SEPTEMBER 2019

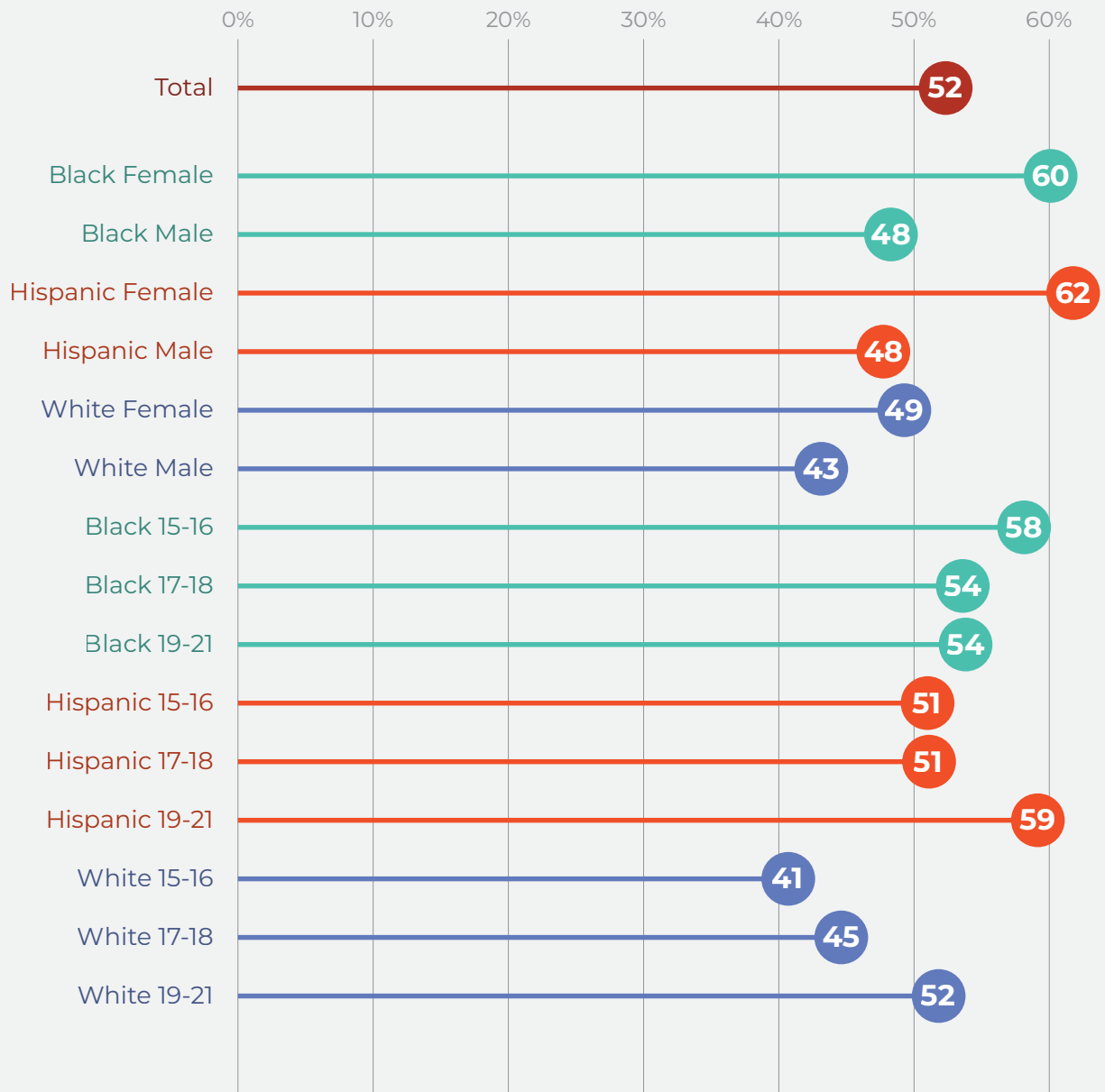
AUGUST 2020

**“Are you earning income from more than one job or similar paid work?”**



Which of the following best describes your feelings about coronavirus in the united states?

**Those answering: The worst is yet to come**

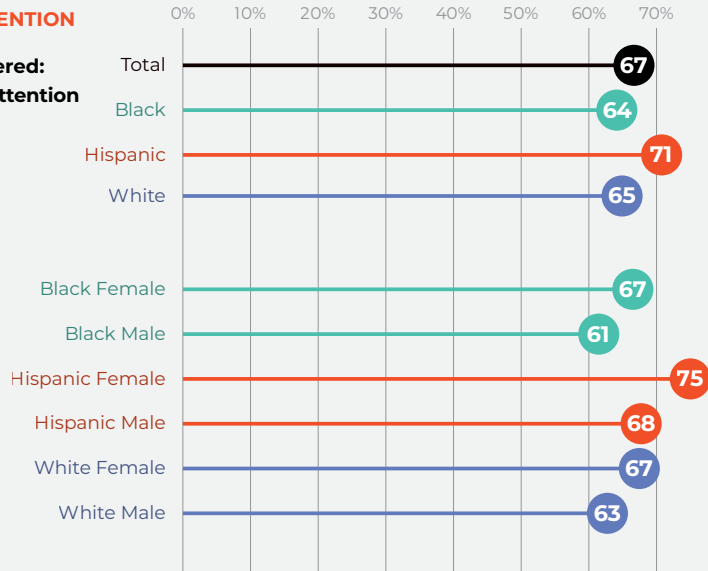


## Attention to Racial Justice Protests

How much attention have you given to the recent conversations or actions around policing and racial justice in the country?

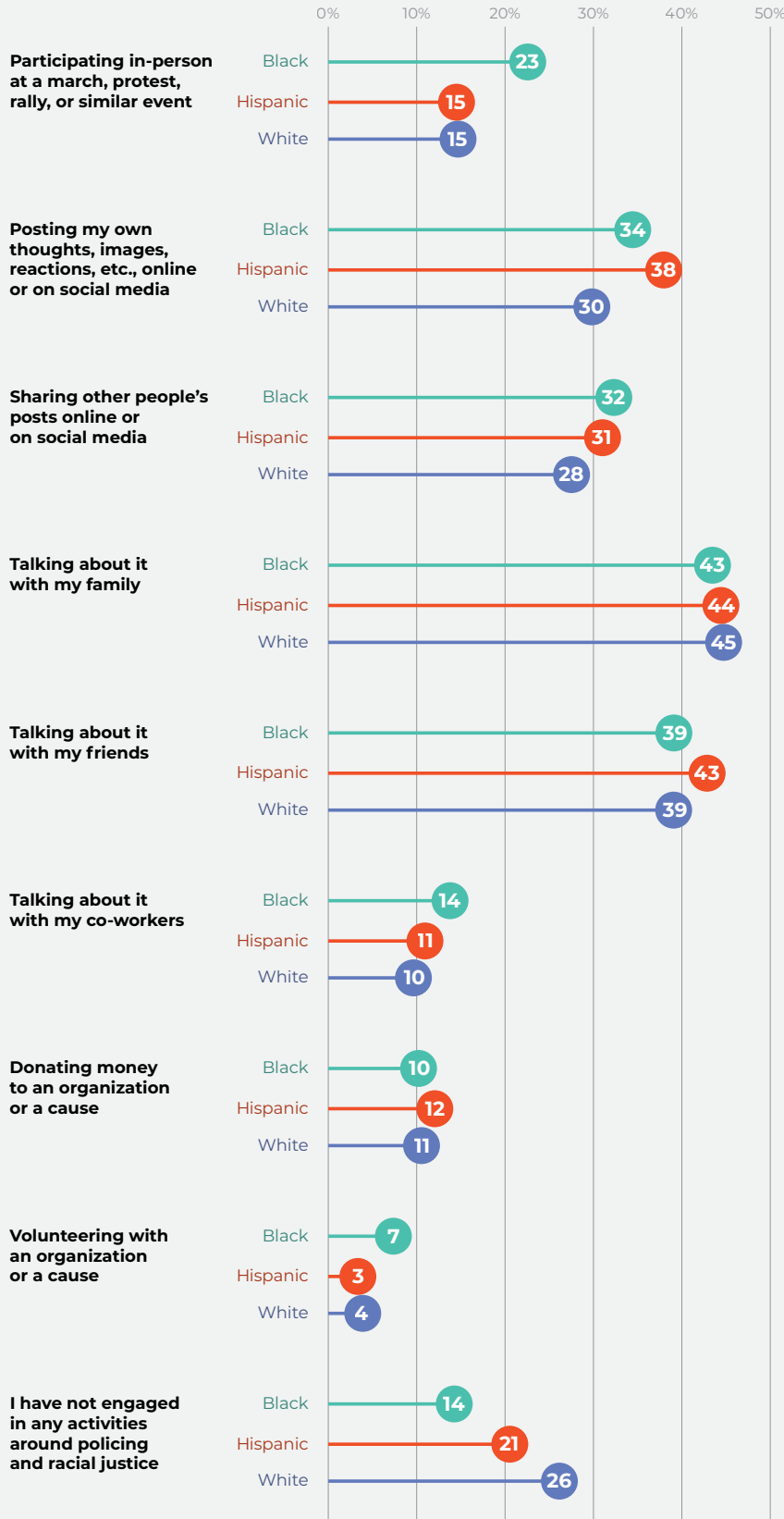
**NET: PAYING ATTENTION**

- A great deal of attention
- Some attention



## Engagement with Racial and Police Justice

Which, if any, of the following activities have you engaged in around policing and racial justice?

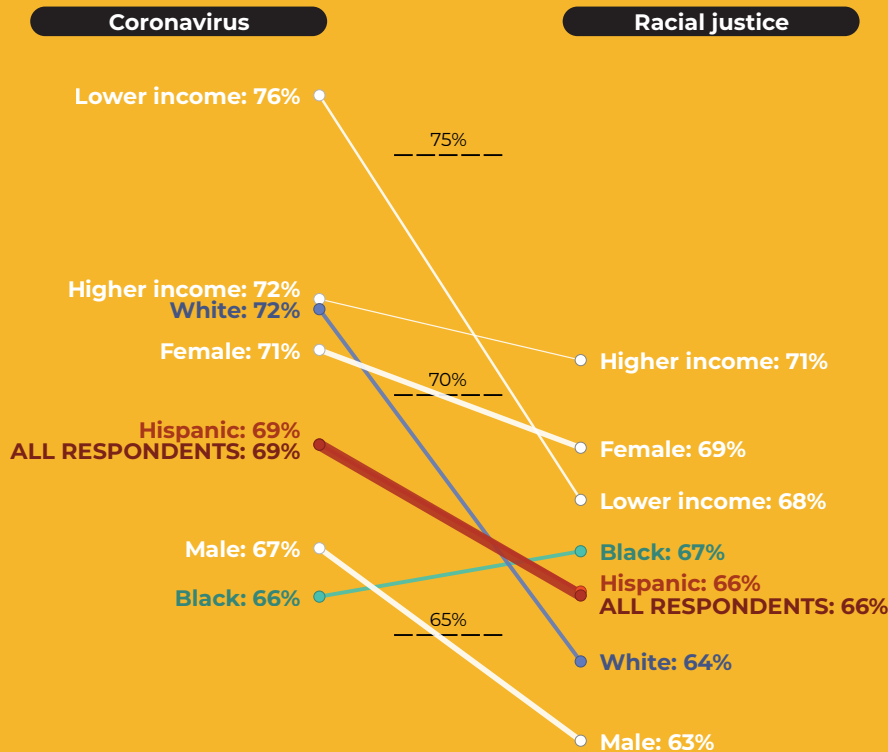




## Perceived Impact of Current Moment

Please tell us, using a scale from zero to ten, where zero means there has been no impact and a 10 means it has completely changed your thinking, how much do you feel the [coronavirus outbreak] / [racial justice] has impacted the ways you are thinking about your future education and career goals?

### My thinking was changed by:



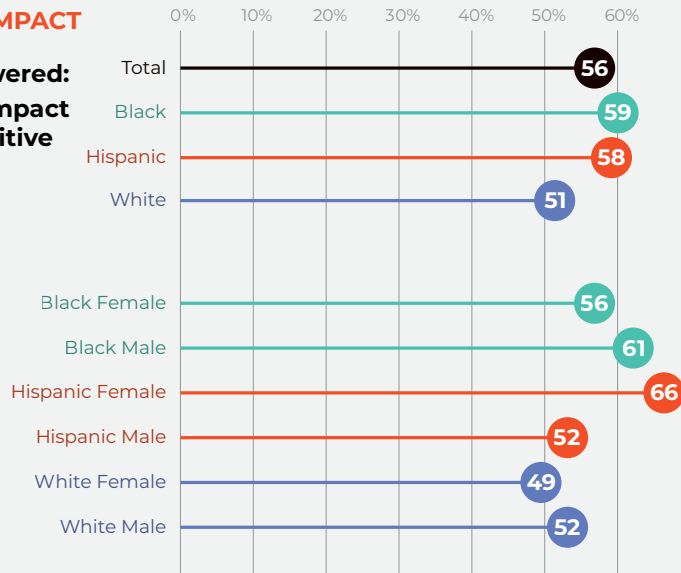
## Future Impact of Racial Justice Protests

Do you think a year from now the conversations and actions around policing and racial justice will have had a positive impact, negative impact, or no impact on the community you live in?

### NET: POSITIVE IMPACT

Those who answered:

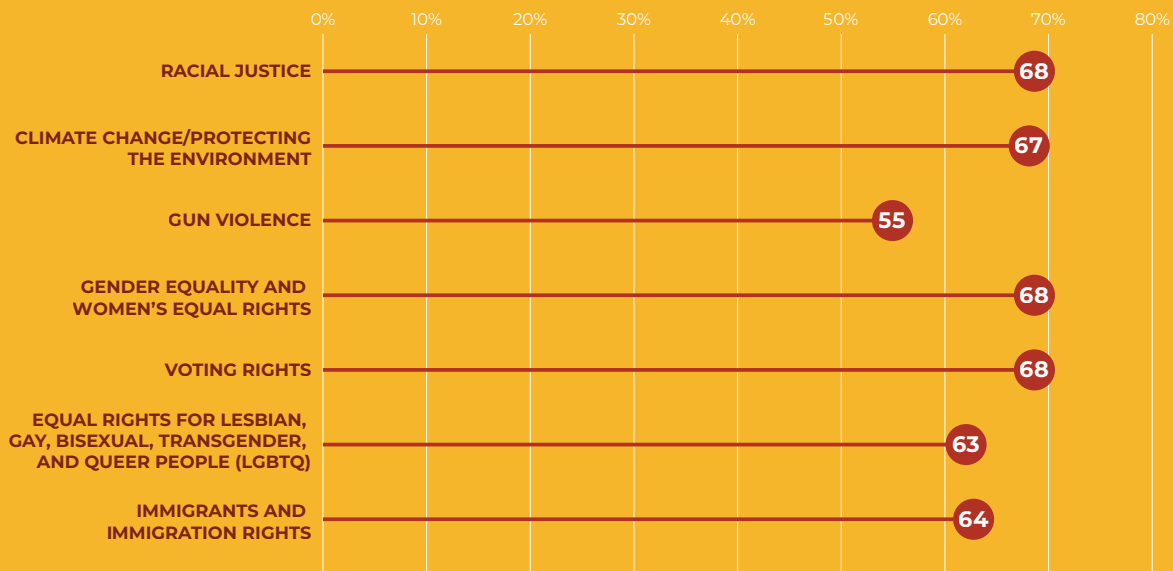
- Very positive impact
- Somewhat positive impact



## An Opportunity Not A Burden

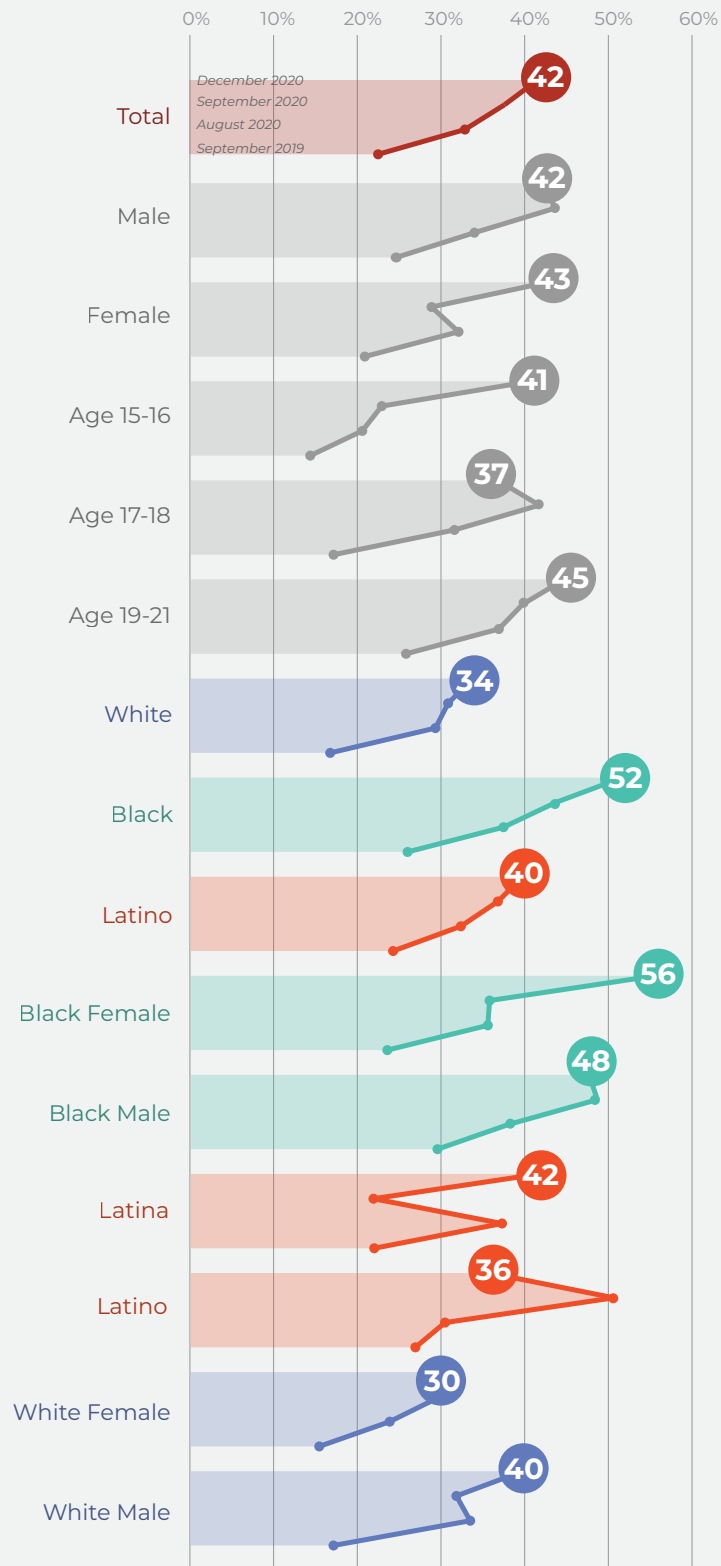
For each issue, please tell us whether, for you personally, being able to be engaged in promoting change feels more like an opportunity, feels more like a burden, or whether it is not something you want to be involved with.

Those that [strongly agree] / [somewhat agree] being able to be engaged in promoting change around [issue] feels more like an opportunity



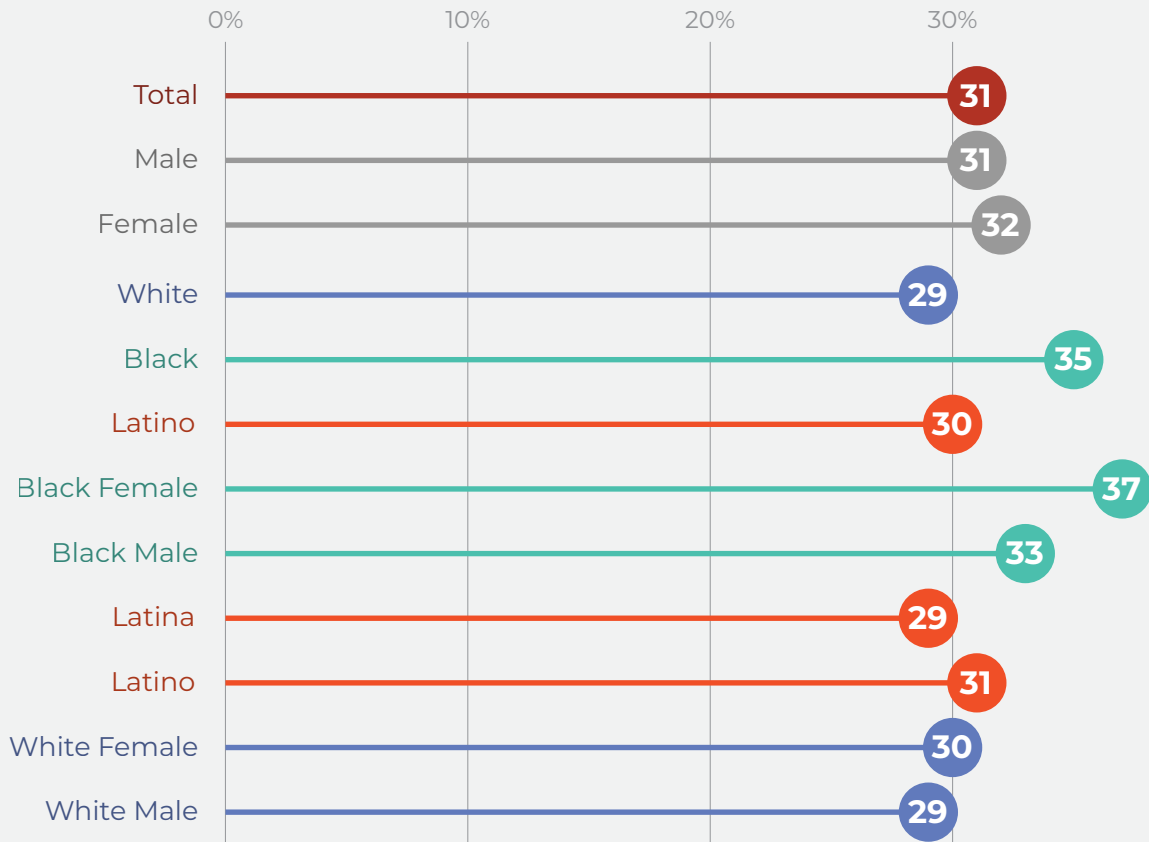
Are you currently earning income from more than one job, internship, apprenticeship, or similar paid work?

**Those answering: Yes**



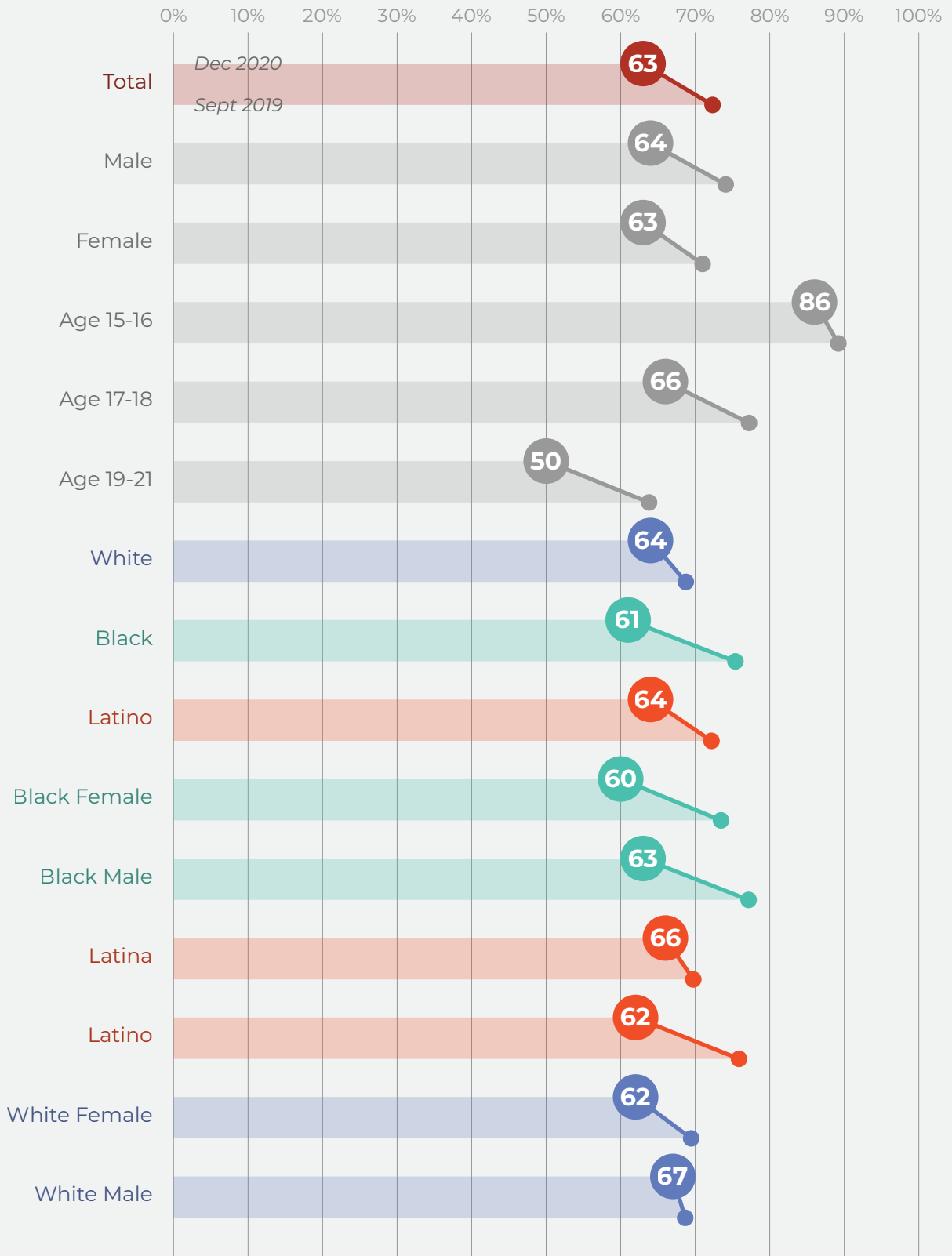
Do you think differently about college being worth it for you personally now than you did before the coronavirus outbreak?

**Those answering: Yes, I used to think college is/would be worth it for me but now I think it is/would not be worth it**



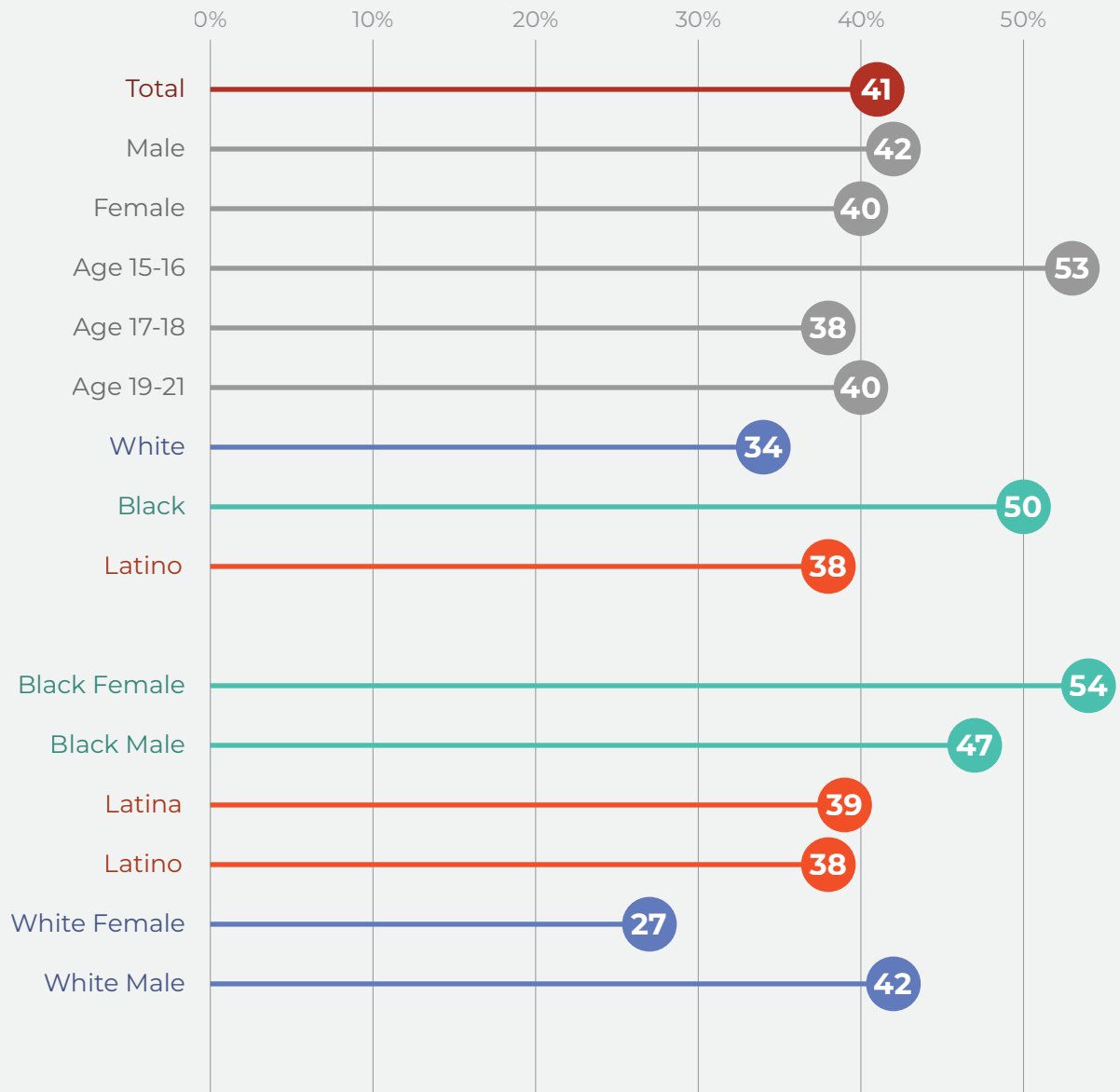
Does/did your parent or guardian regularly talk to you about your next steps after high school?

Those answering: Yes



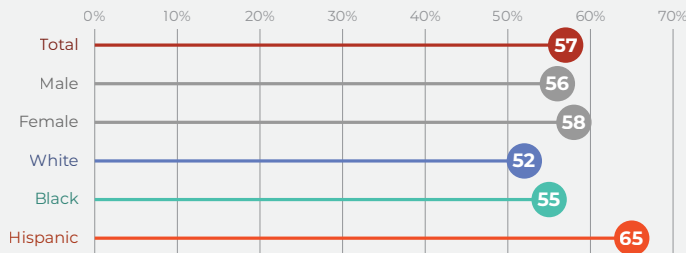
Thinking about your current job, do you feel that:

**Those answering: My current job is part of my chosen career track/career pathway**

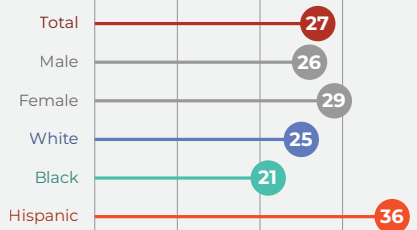


Has the COVID-19 pandemic impacted the way you are thinking about either your future education plans, your work and/or career goals, or both?

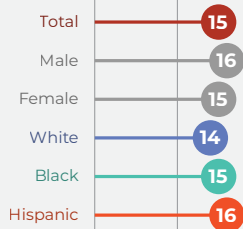
**Those answering: Net: yes**



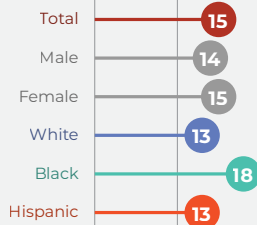
**Those answering: Yes, impacted the way I am thinking about my future education plans**



**Those answering: Yes, impacted the way I am thinking about my future work and/or career goals**



**Those answering: Yes, impacted the ways I am thinking about both my future education plans and my future work and/or career goals**

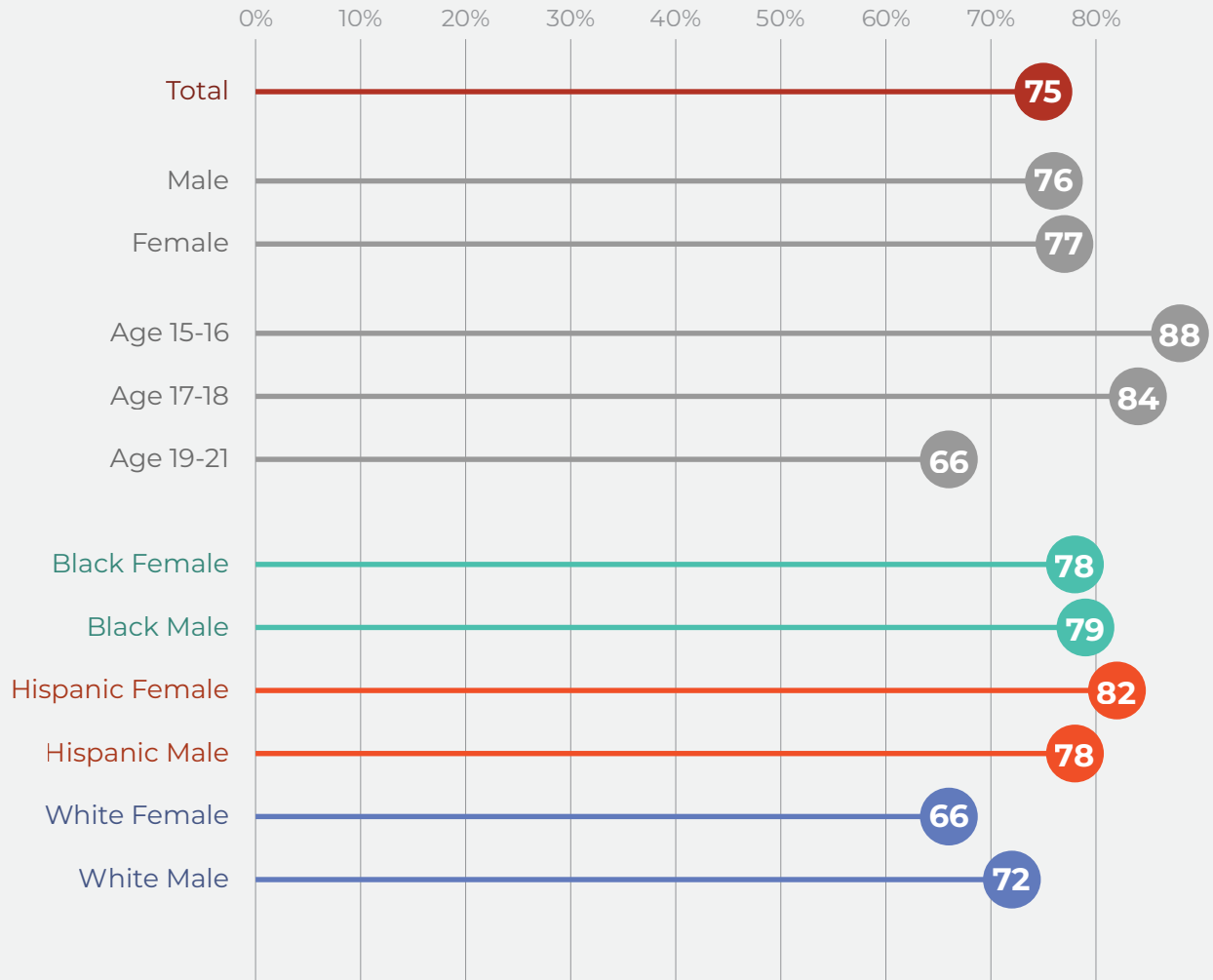


**Those answering: No, not impacted the ways I am thinking about my future education plans or my future work and/or career goals**



Thinking about the change(s) you have made to your education plans, how satisfied are you with your new education plans?

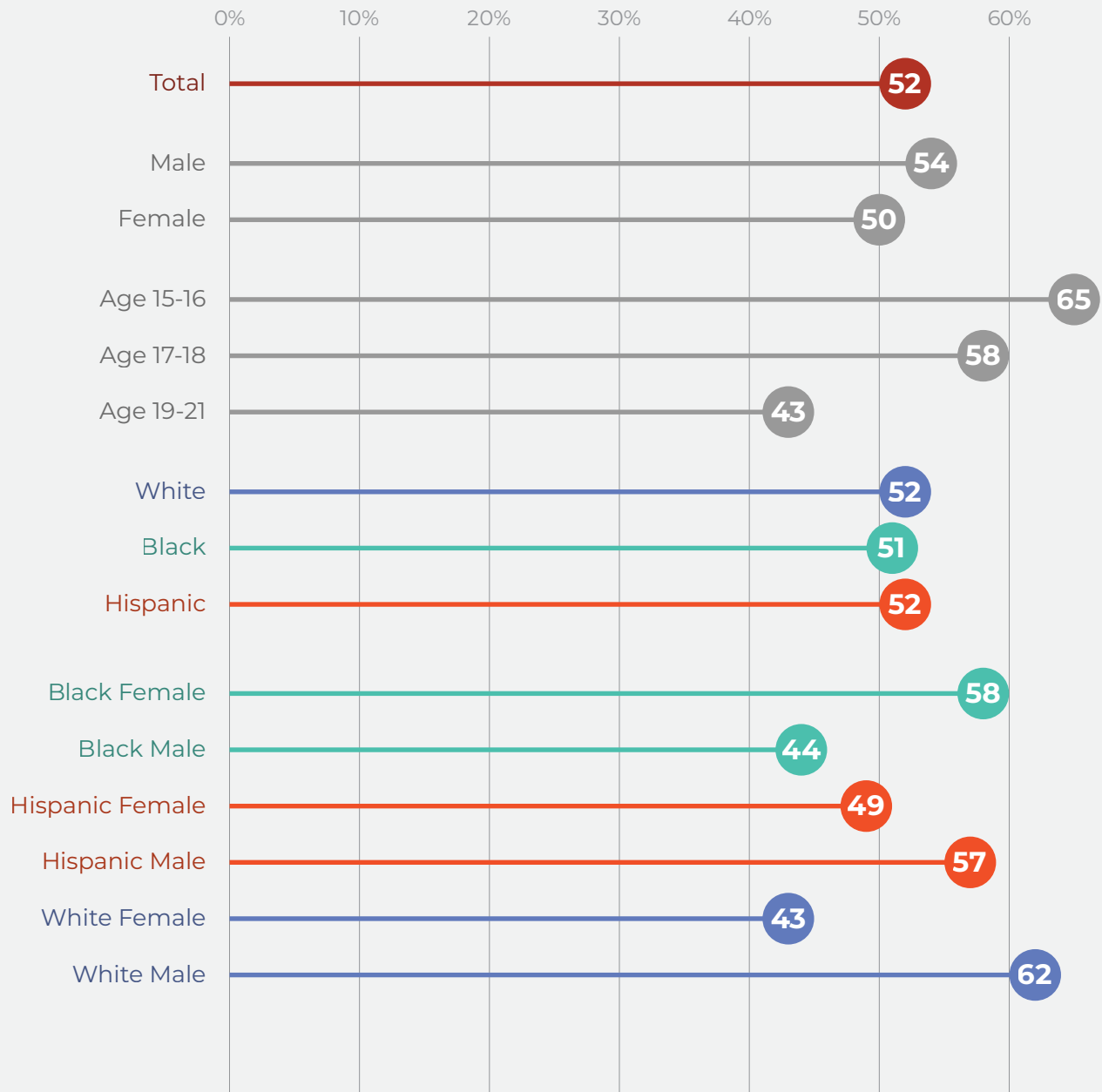
**Those answering: Satisfied**



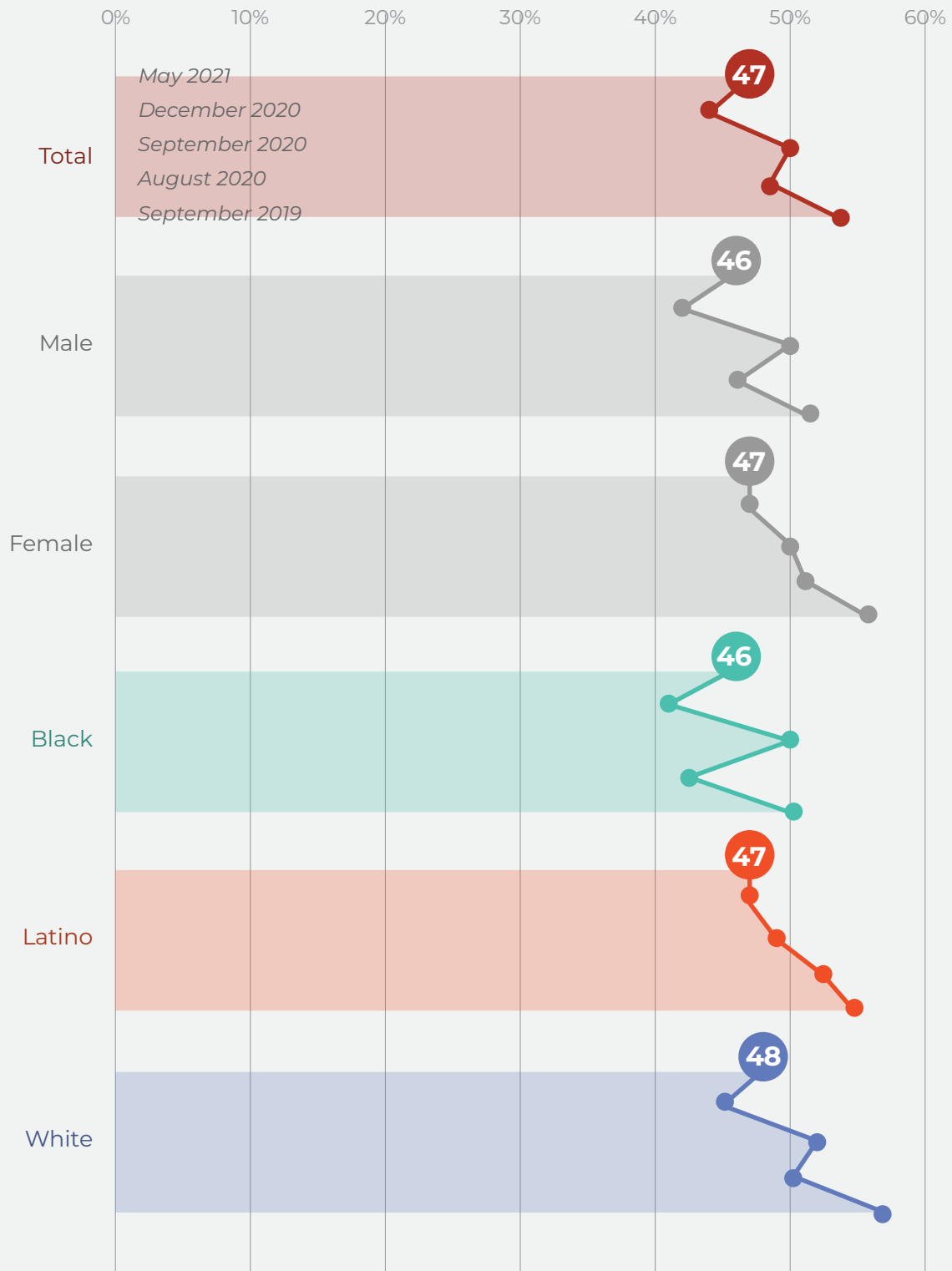


Now that you have changed your future education plans, do you feel:

**Those answering: More optimistic about my future**



**Those answering: It's going to be mostly up to you to achieve the kind of job or career you want in the future.**



How much support do you feel you are receiving/received from your high school about your plans after high school?

**Those answering: A great deal of support**



How much support do you feel you are receiving/receive from places or programs outside your high school about your plans after high school?

**Those answering: A great deal of support**

