New Vandenberg Poll Shows Voters Skeptical of Concessions to Iran; Republicans Still Strongly Back President Trump's Strikes

In a poll commissioned by The Vandenberg Coalition and conducted by J.L. Partners of 1,000 registered voters from November 11–14, 2026, voters across the board made clear they are wary of concessions to Iran. Even among registered voters who said they want to end the war quickly, over half (51 percent) oppose the concessions that have publicly floated —including sanctions relief, allowing the regime to stay in place, allowing Iran to start its nuclear program and allowing Iran to control the Strait of Hormuz—are acceptable. Of the only 26 percent of Republicans who want to end the war quickly, nearly two-thirds (66 percent) say these concessions to Iran are unacceptable.

Republicans also continue to recognize the importance of confronting the threat posed by the Islamic Republic. 79 percent of Republicans who voted in the 2026 midterm elections agree with President Trump that even if the strikes on Iran negatively affected the midterms for Republicans, it was the right decision in the long-term to ensure Iran does not have a nuclear weapon. This view is shared by younger Republicans, with 64 percent of Republicans aged 18–29 who voted in 2026 agreeing that the strikes were the correct decision. Looking ahead, a strong majority of Republicans (67 percent) think America should prioritize "achieving our objectives and finishing the job" with respect to Iran, and 80 percent believe that America should pursue our objectives through military strikes if a satisfactory deal cannot be reached with Iran. Only six percent of Republicans do not think we should have struck Iran, while a plurality have no hesitations about the war in Iran.

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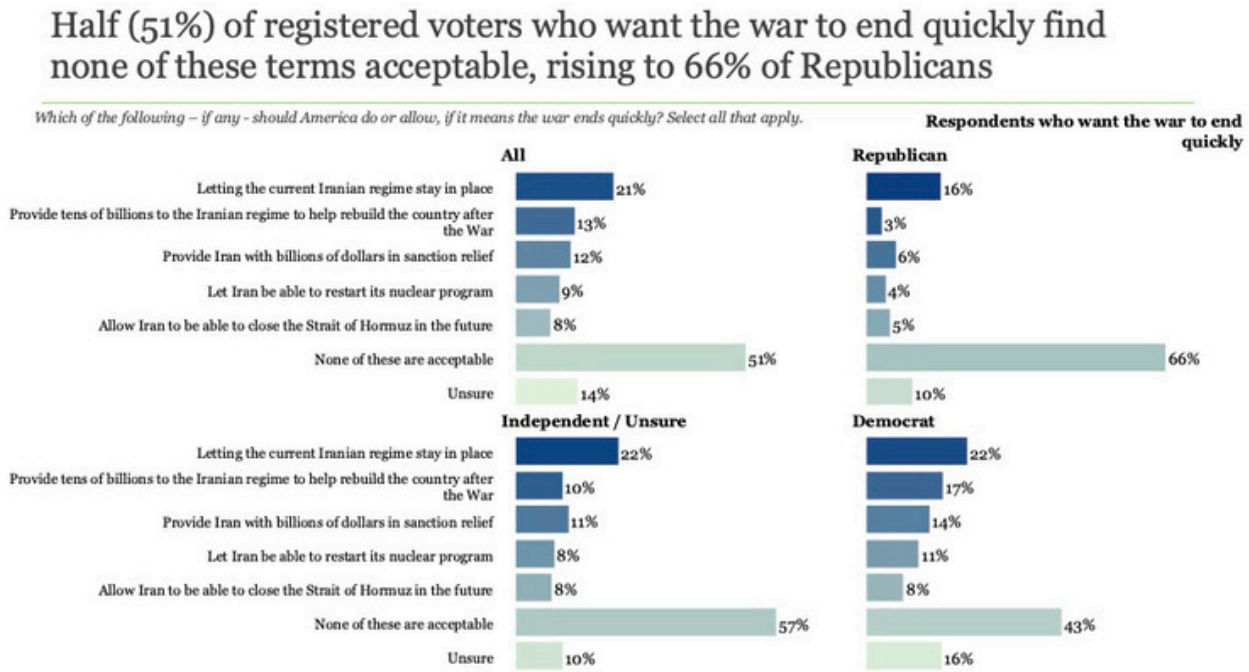

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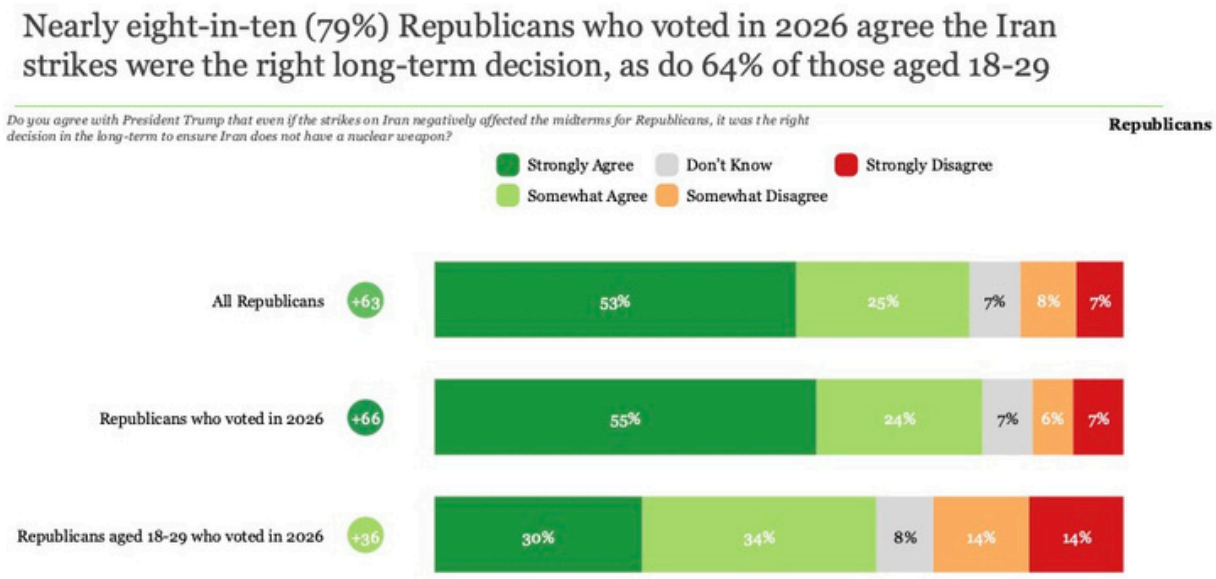

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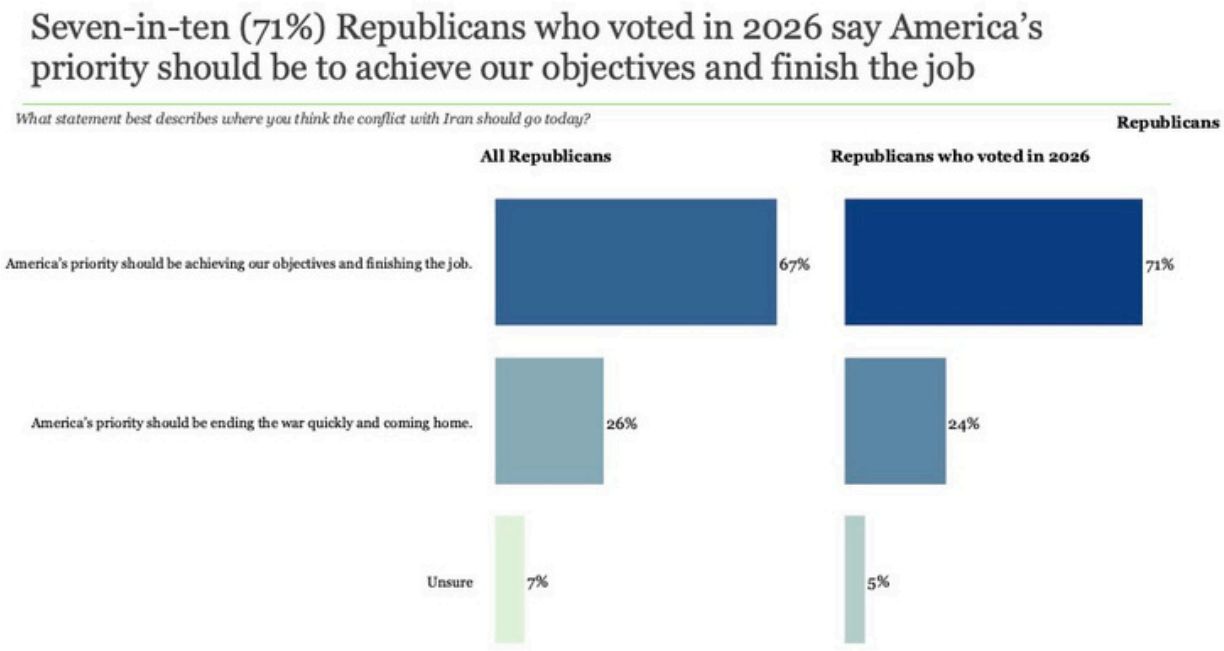

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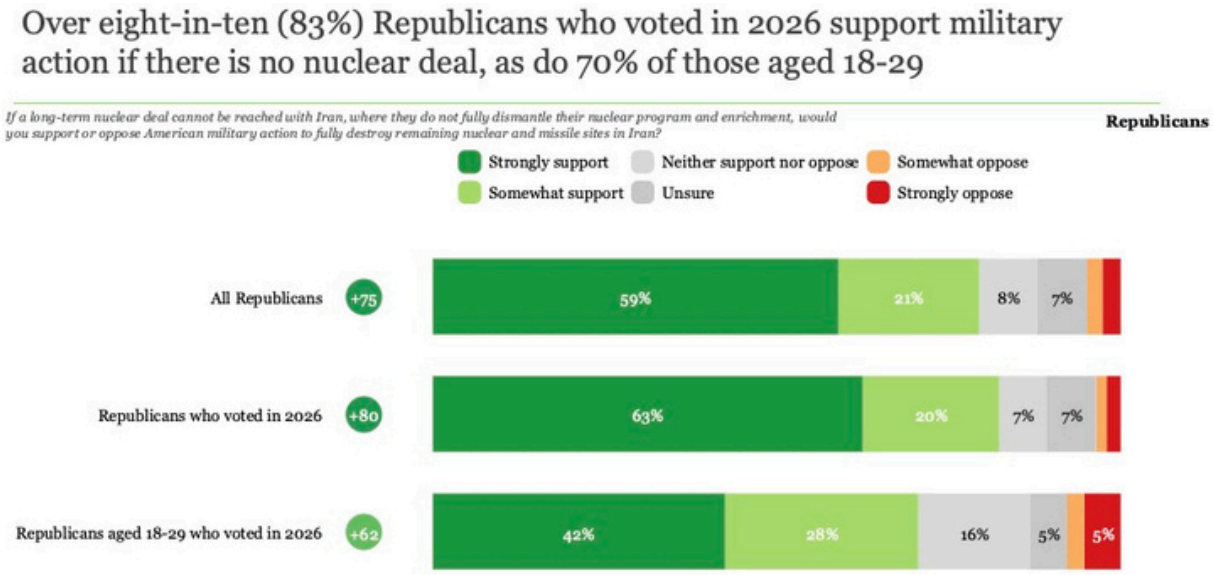
Over eight-in-ten (83%) Republicans who voted in 2026 support military action if there is no nuclear deal, as do 70% of those aged 18-29
If a long-term nuclear deal cannot be reached with Iran, where they do not fully dismantle their nuclear program and enrichment, would you support or oppose American military action to fully destroy remaining nuclear and missile sites in Iran?
Republicans
Strongly support
Somewhat support
Neither support nor oppose
Unsure
Somewhat oppose
Strongly oppose
All Republicans
+75
59%
21%
8%
7%
Republicans who voted in 2026
+80
63%
20%
7%
7%
Republicans aged 18-29 who voted in 2026
+62
42%
28%
16%
5%
5%