



# American Bar Association

## April 2018

# METHODOLOGY AND TECHNICAL DETAILS

This is the eighth wave of research for an ongoing Ipsos survey:

- **Current fieldwork period: April 4-6, 2018**

- ⇒ The previous waves were conducted February 21-24, 2014; December 2-6, 2014; April 2-6, 2015; November 16-18, 2015; April 22-25, 2016; July 11-12, 2016; and July 12-14, 2017.

- **The current survey interviewed a national sample of 1,004 adults**

- ⇒ The previous waves included 1,005 adults, 1,004 adults, 1,005 adults, 1,003 adults, 1,006 adults, 1,087 adults, 1,017 adults respectively.

- ⇒ These slides also contain some data filtered on just those respondents reporting that they know 'A great deal', 'A fair amount', or 'A little bit' about the ICC at Q1 (cutting out those who say they know 'Nothing at all'). This reduced the filtered base size to 489, and is referred to in the data as 'Aware of ICC' audience.

- The first wave included 379 of these respondents
    - The second wave included 338 of these respondents
    - The third wave included 408 of these respondents
    - The fourth wave included 349 of these respondents
    - The fifth wave included 372 of these respondents
    - The sixth wave included 528 of these respondents
    - The seventh wave included 506 of these respondents

- **Weighting then employed to balance demographics and ensure that the sample's composition reflects that of the U.S. adult population according to Census data and to provide results intended to approximate the sample universe.**

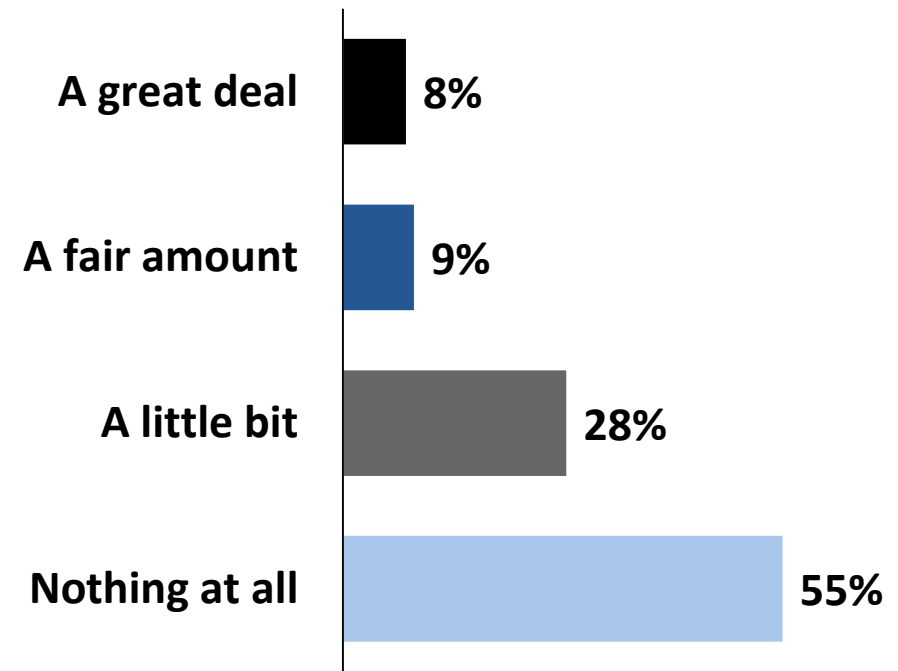
- **Statistical margins of error are not applicable to online polls because they are based on samples drawn from opt-in online panels, not on random samples that mirror the population within a statistical probability ratio.**

- **All sample surveys and polls may be subject to other sources of error, including, but not limited to coverage error, and measurement error.**

# Knowledge of International Criminal Court



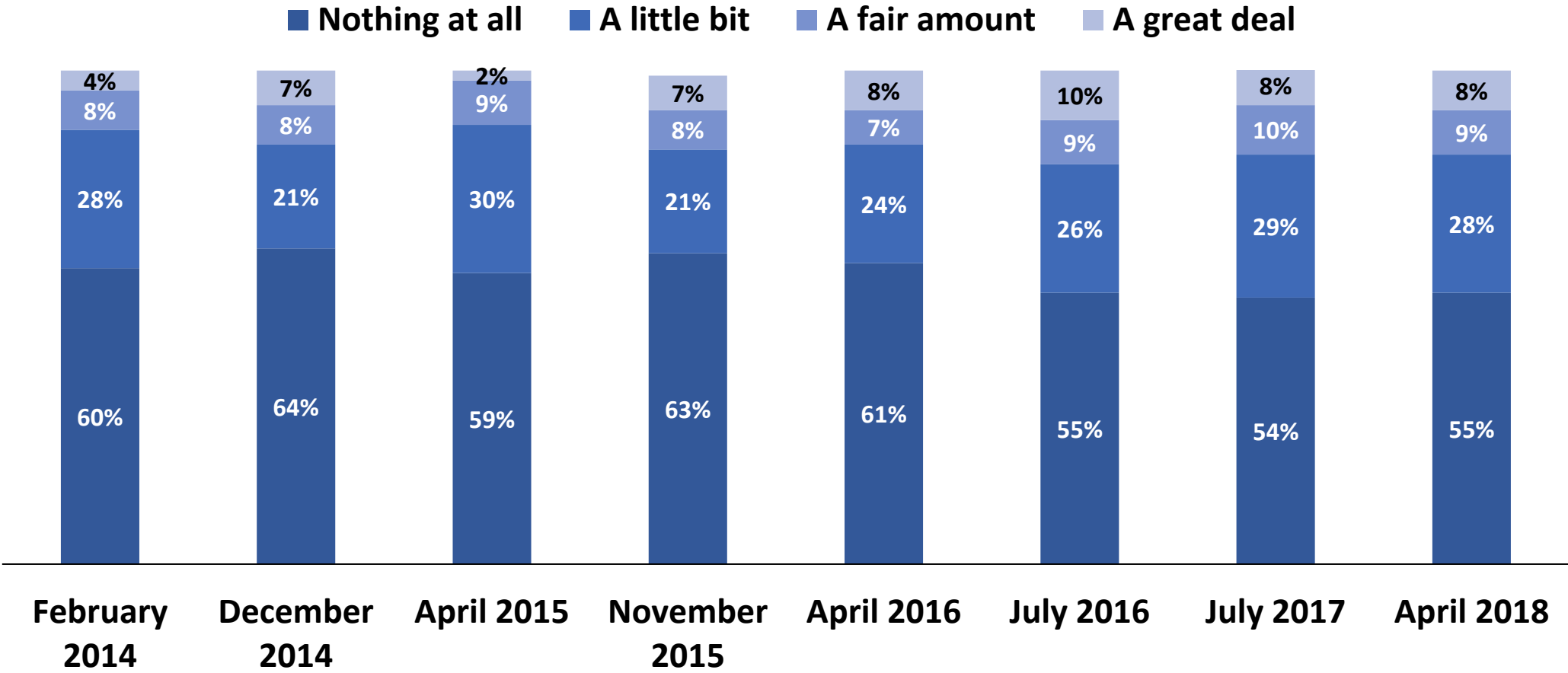
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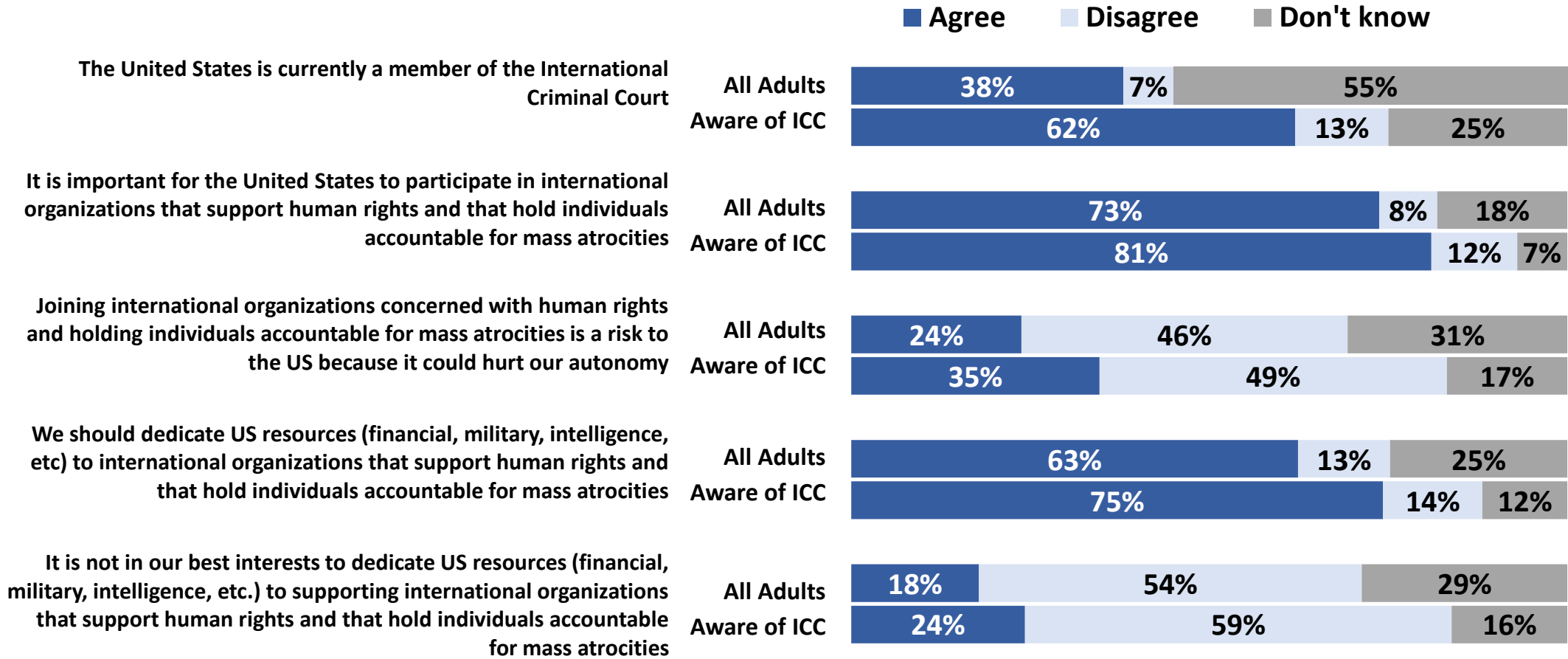


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# Attitudes towards U.S. Participation in ICC



## 2. Please indicate whether you agree or disagree with each of the statements (Agree Only)



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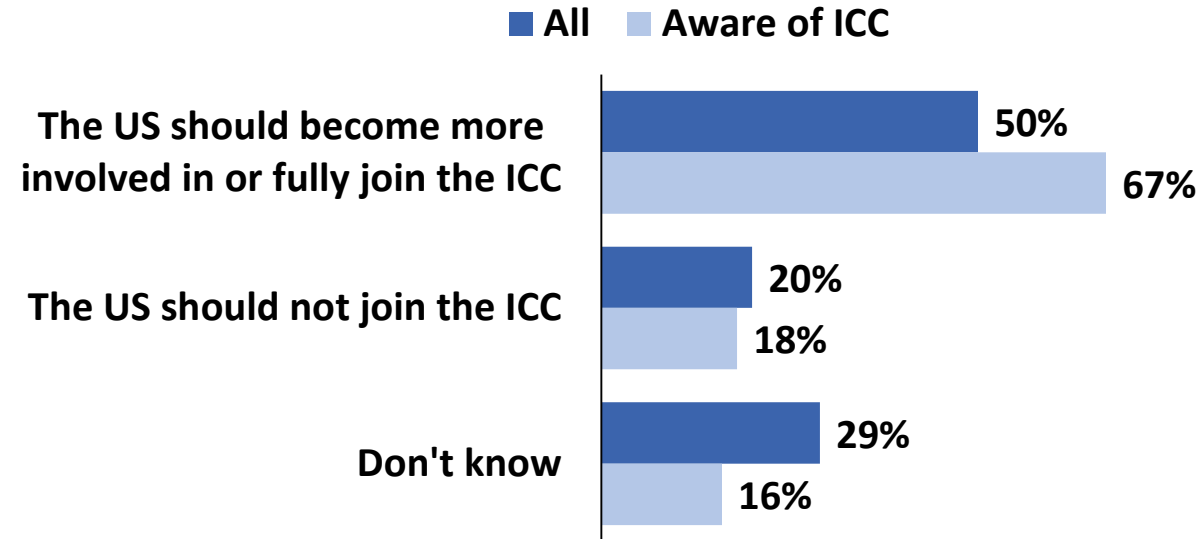
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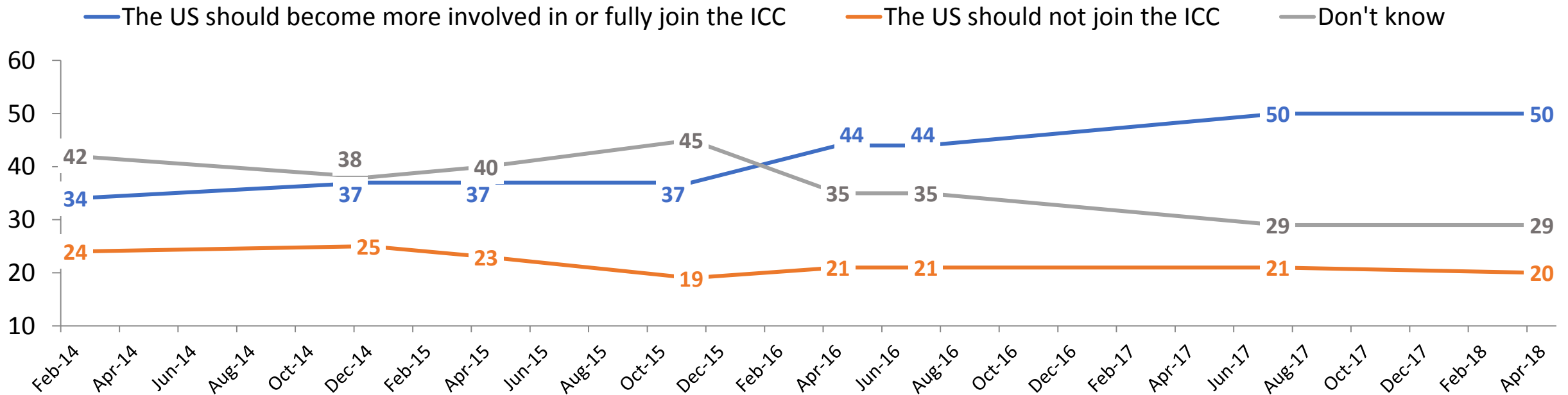
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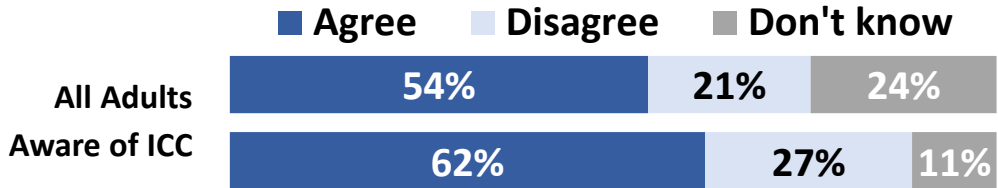


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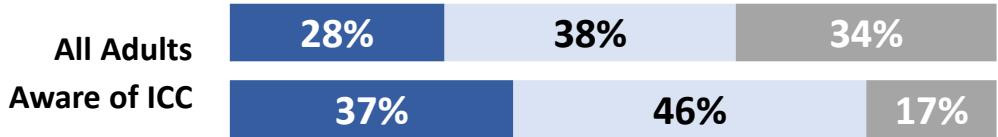


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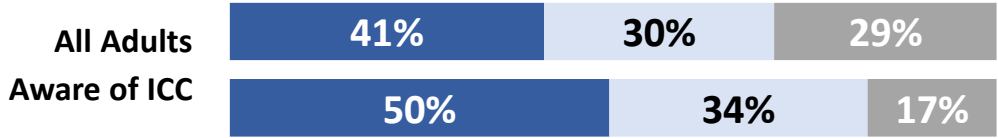
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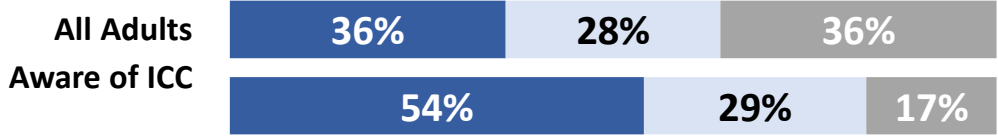
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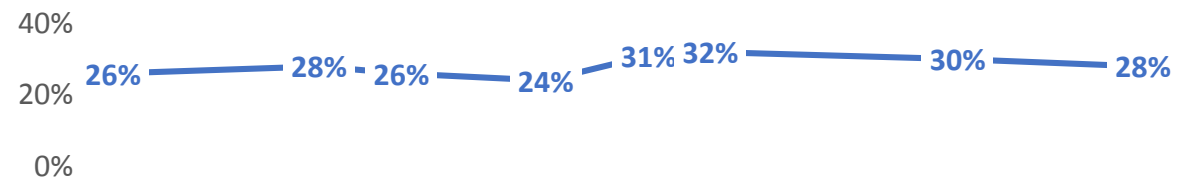
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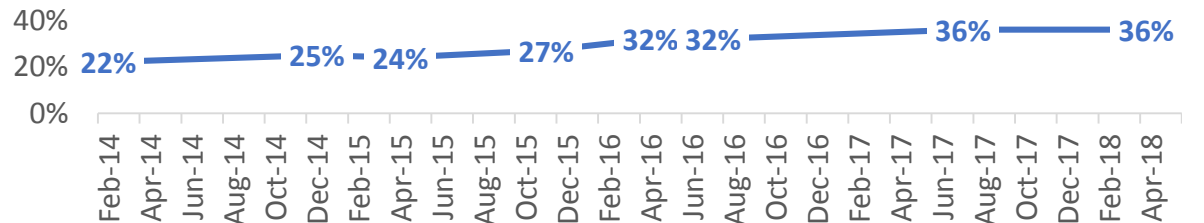
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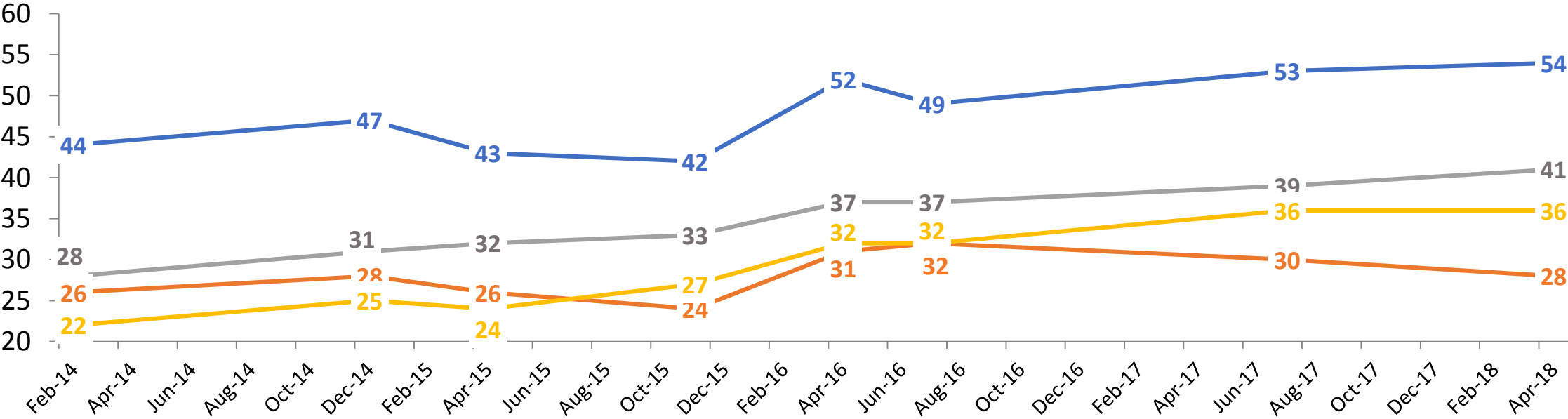
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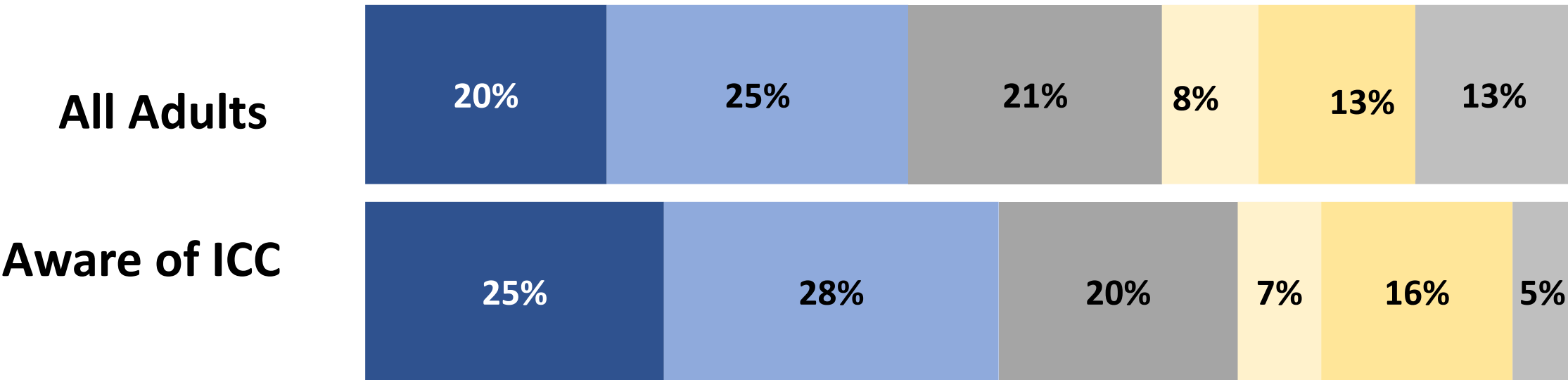


# Support of ICC Investigating the USAF and the CIA



5. In November 2017, the Office of the Prosecutor at the International Criminal Court (ICC) applied to open a formal investigation into war crimes and crimes against humanity that may have occurred during the recent conflicts in Afghanistan by the United States Armed Forces and the members of the CIA. This investigation may lead to criminal charges against members of the US Armed Forces and members if the CIA. How much, if at all, do you support this investigation?

■ Strongly support ■ Somewhat support ■ Neither support or oppose ■ Somewhat oppose ■ Strongly oppose ■ Don't know

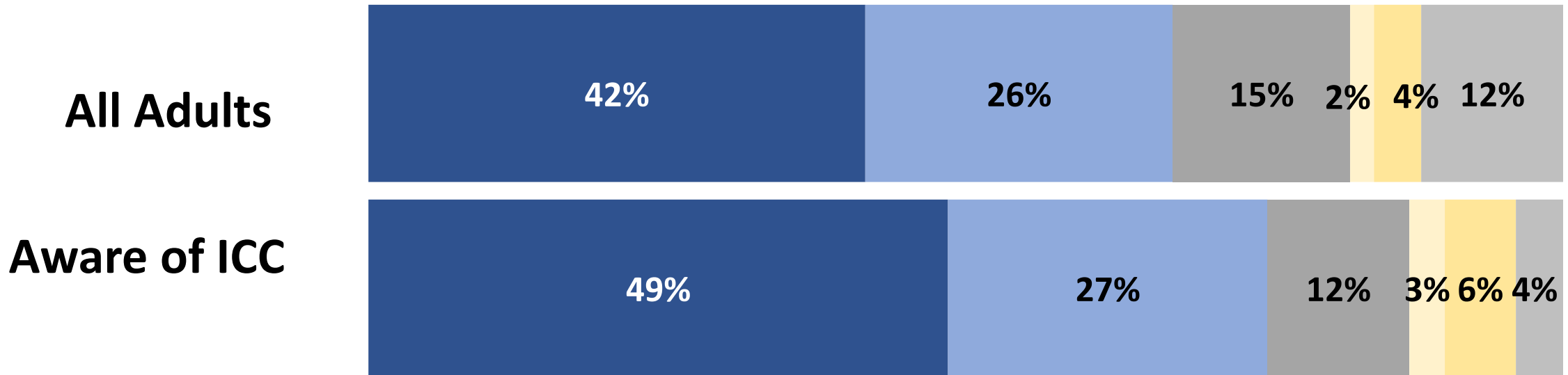


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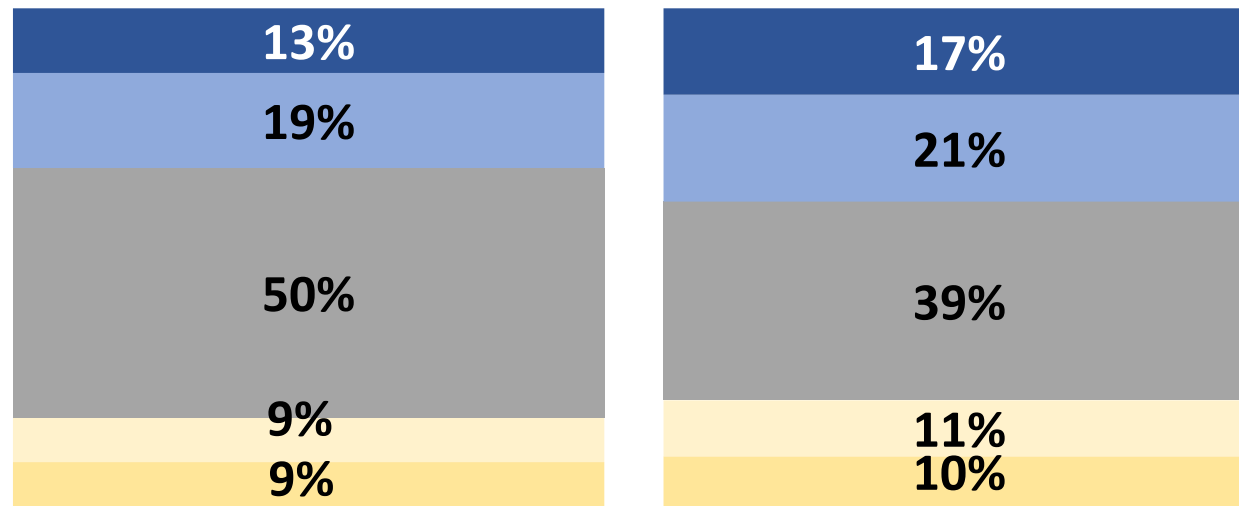
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■ Strongly support 
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# Support of ICC Investigating the Taliban

7. Knowing that the ICC may charge members of the U.S. Armed Forces, the CIA, the Taliban and the so-called Islamic State (IS/ISIS/ISIL) with criminal charges following a formal investigation into war crimes and crimes against humanity, how does this information impact your opinion of the ICC?



All Adults

Aware of ICC

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