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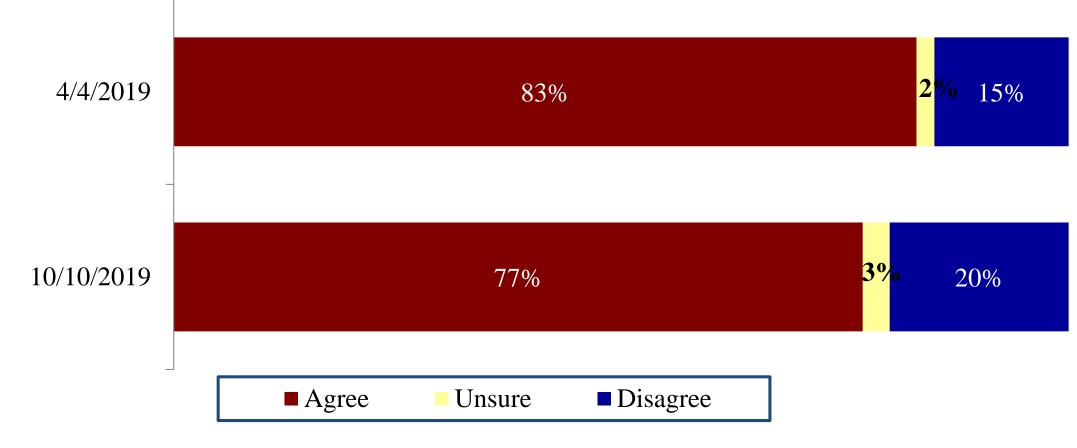
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## **BATTLEGROUND POLL** LAKE RESEARCH PARTNERS | THE TARRANCE GROUP

A national survey of 1,000 Registered "likely" Voters

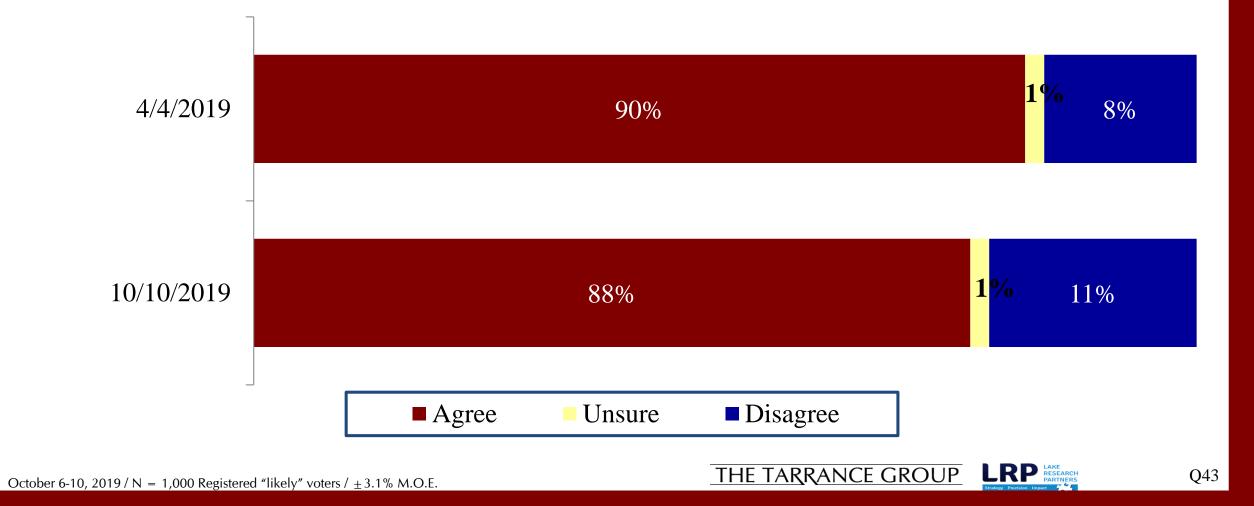
Now, I would like to read you a list of statements that some people have said about American politics today. Please listen carefully as I read each statement and tell me if you would agree or disagree with that particular statement. *The political, racial, and class divisions in this country are getting worse and our national dialogue is breaking down.* 



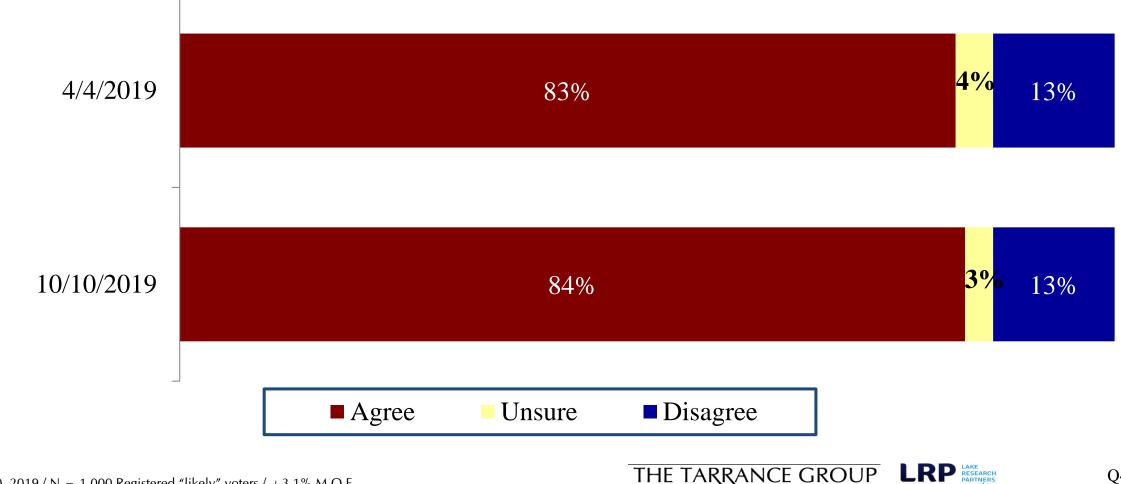


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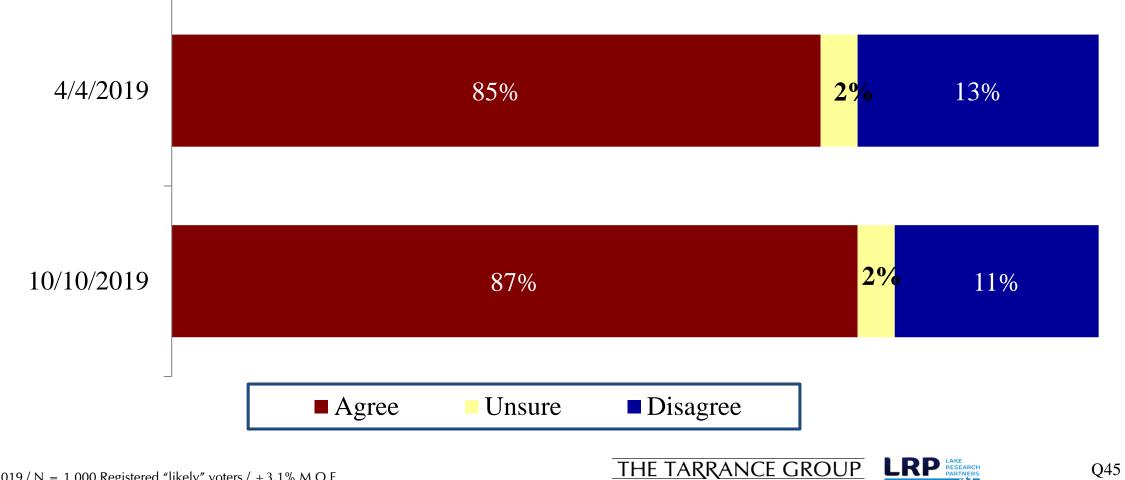


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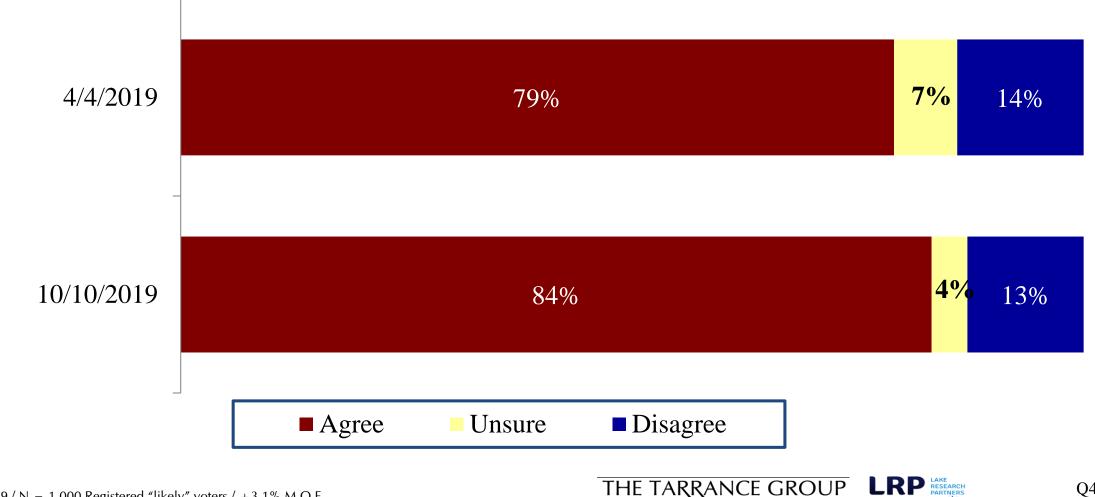


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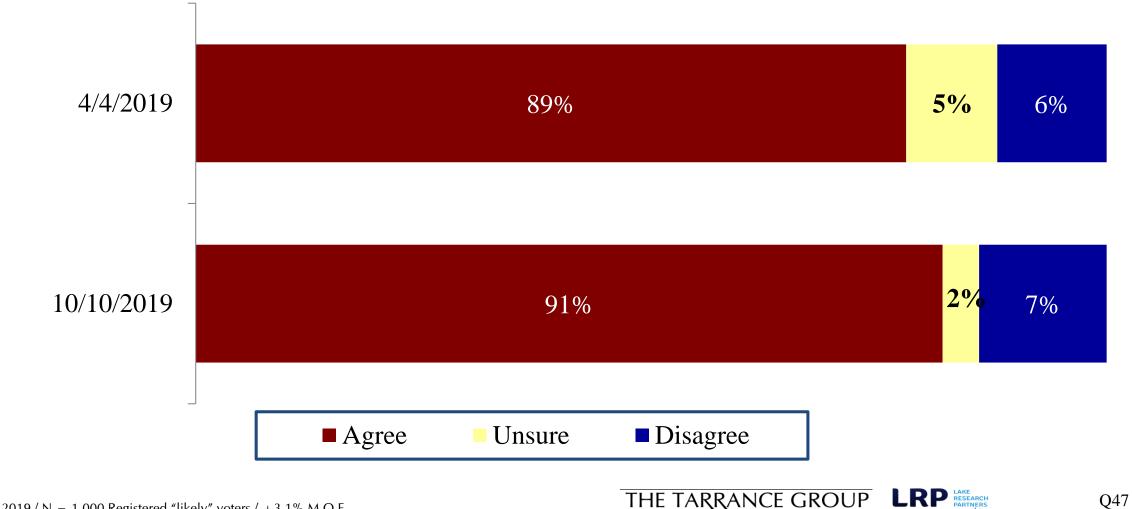
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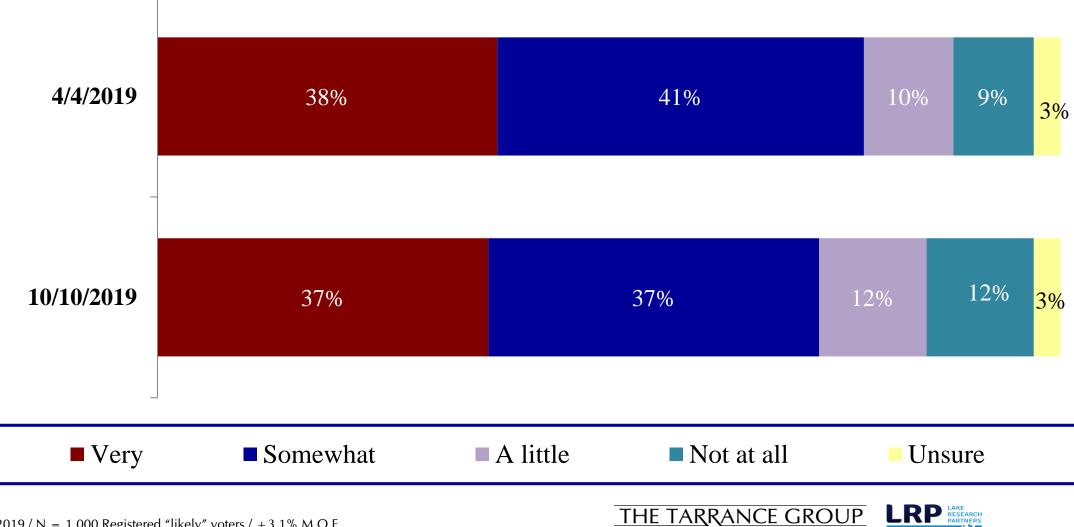




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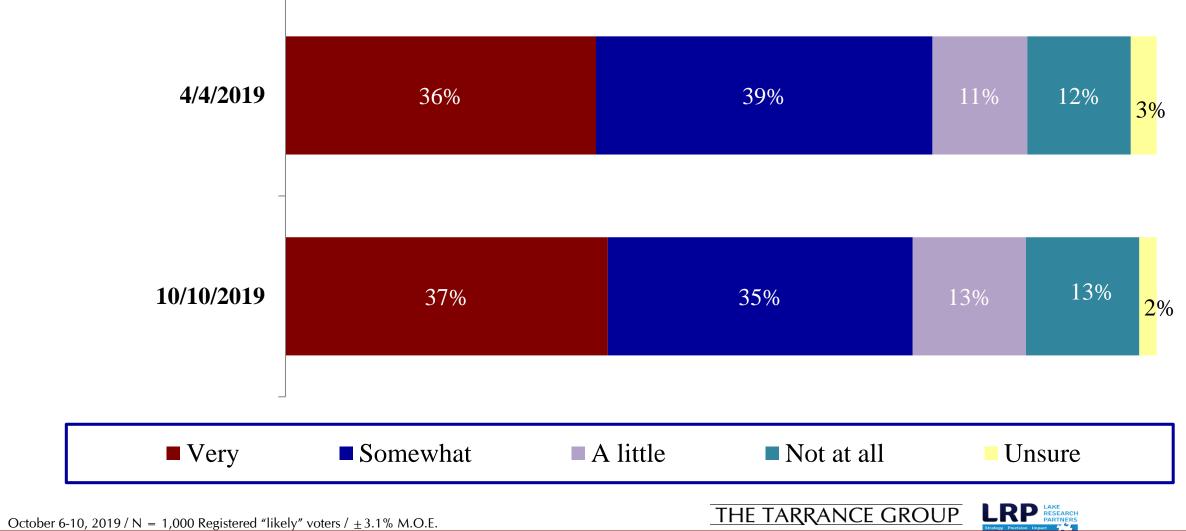


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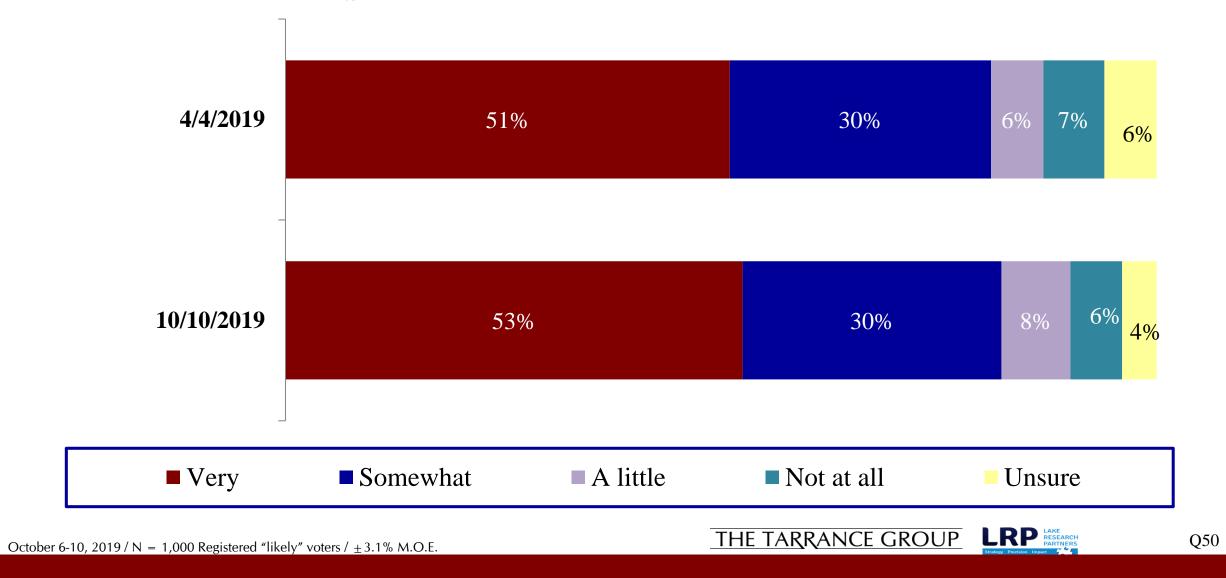
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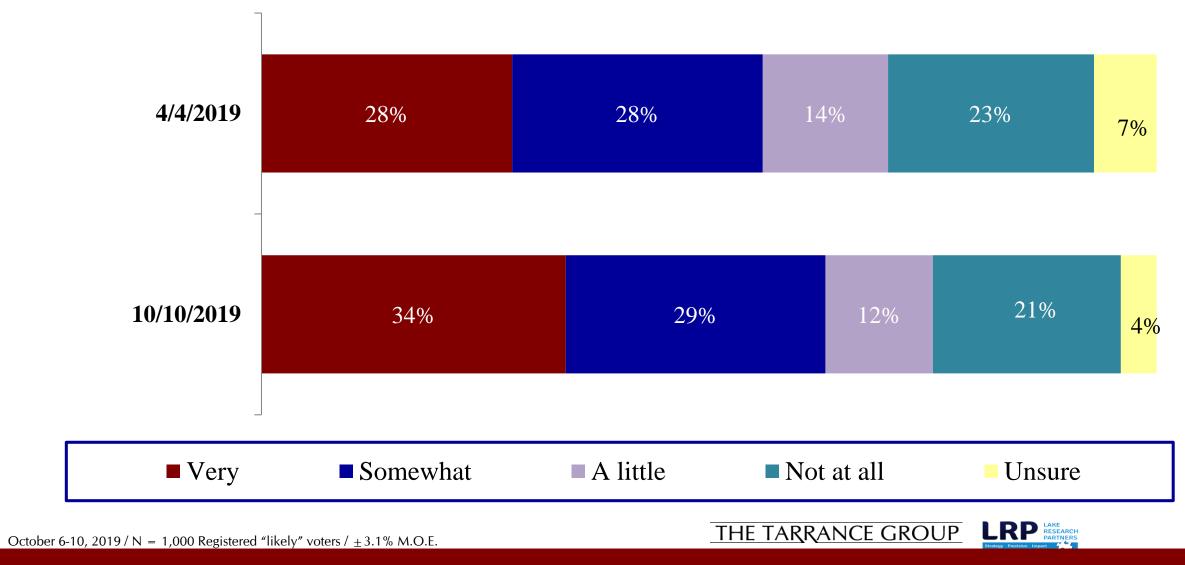
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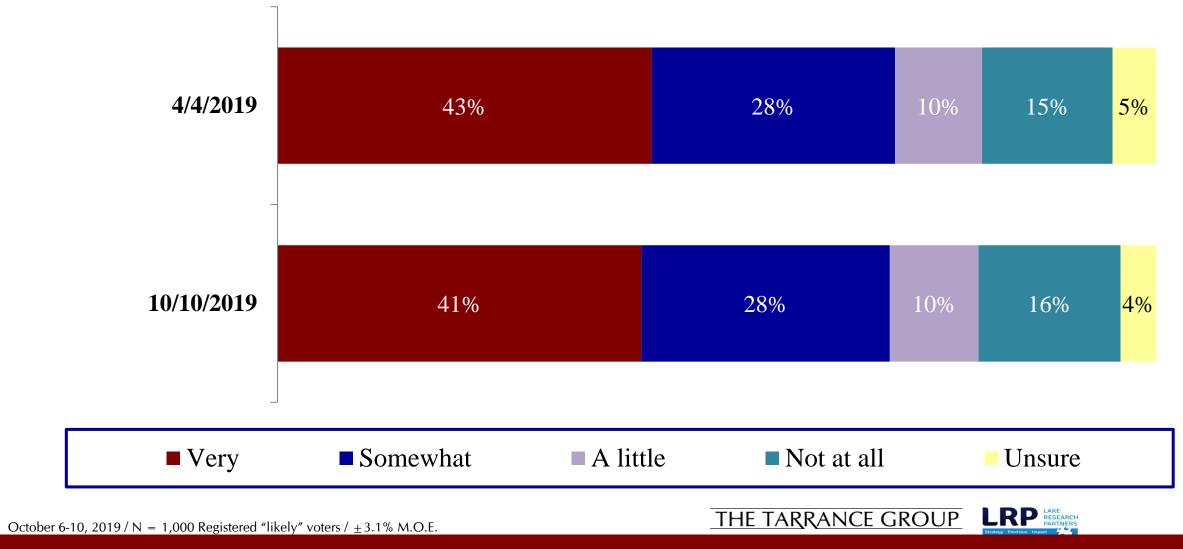


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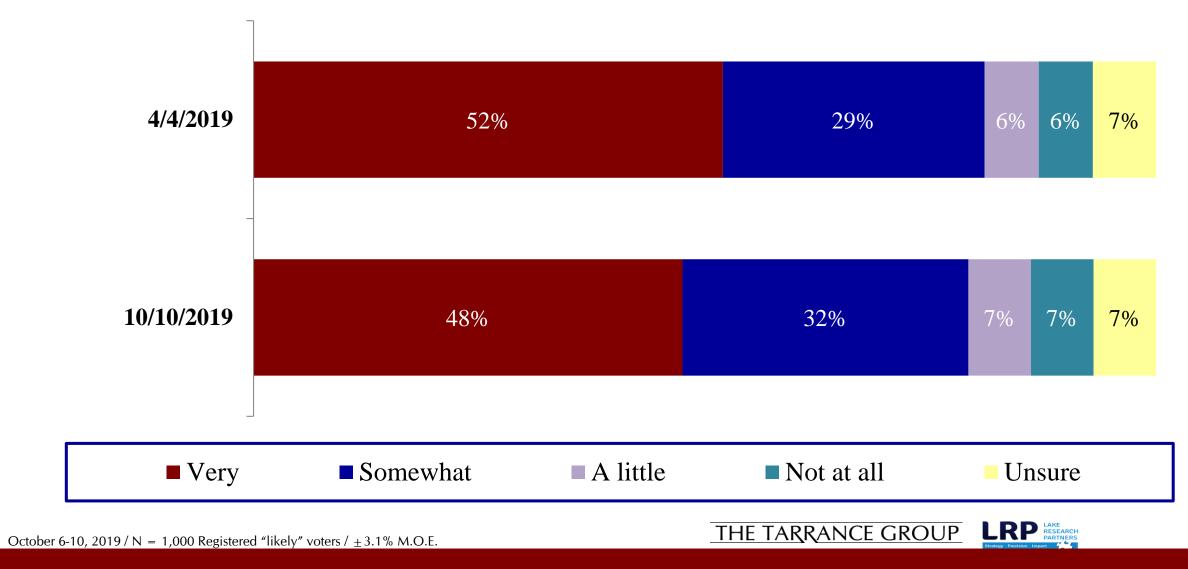


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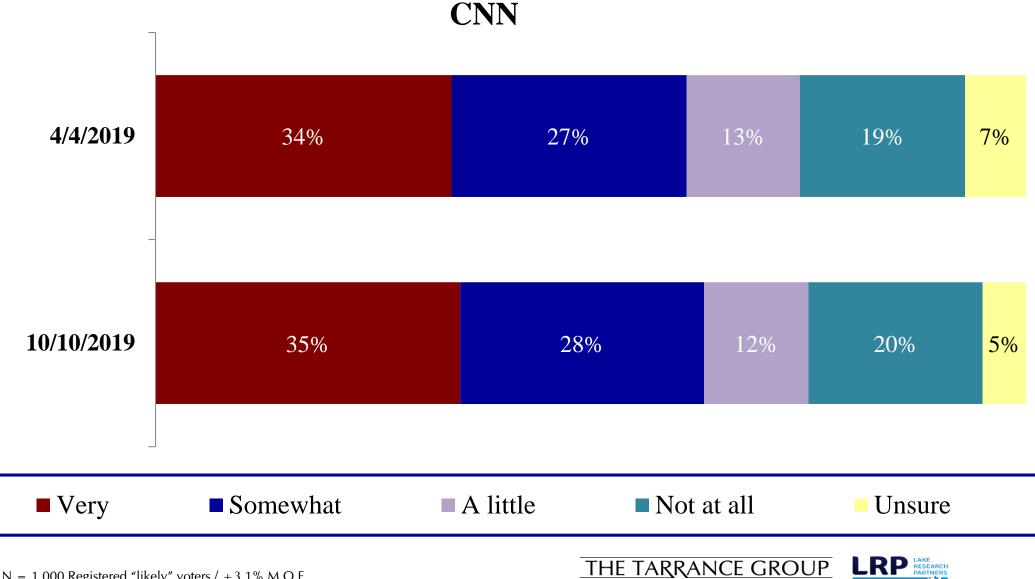
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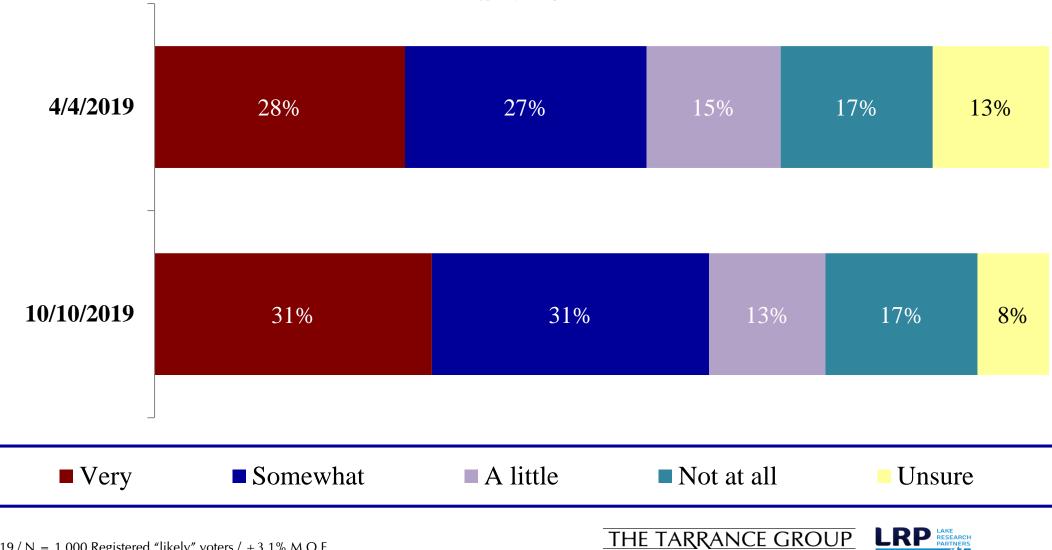


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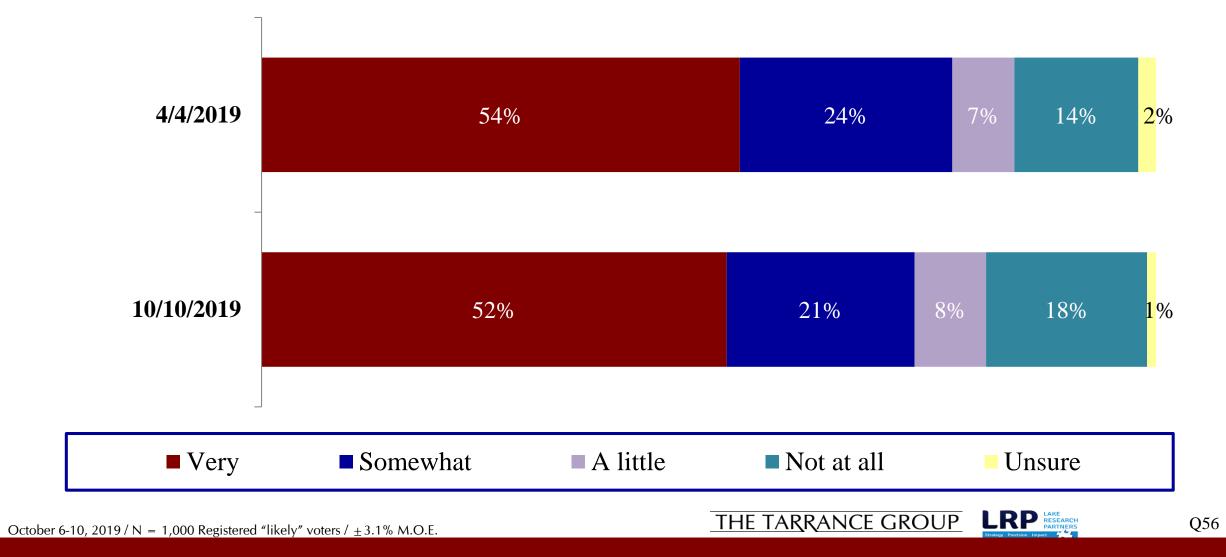
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## **President Donald Trump**



On a scale of 0 to 100, where "0" is there is no political division in the country and where "100" is political division on the edge of a civil war, where would you rank the level of political division in the country?

April 2019 Mean: 94.20

October 2019 Mean: 67.23



