13% of voters believe more freedom leads to less equality

July 28, 2020: Thirteen percent (13%) of voters nationwide believe that there is a conflict between two of America's founding ideals. These voters believe that giving people more freedom will lead to less equality. A Scott Rasmussen survey found that a much larger number -42%—take the opposite view and believe increasing freedom will also increase equality.[1]

Twenty-five percent (25%) believe that more freedom would have little impact on equality while 20% are not sure.[1]

Most Black voters (51%) believe more freedom will lead to more equality. So do 41% of white voters and 35% of Hispanic voters.[1]

Men (49%) are more likely than women (36%) to believe more freedom means more equality.[1]

Forty-seven percent (47%) of Republicans see a positive correlation between freedom and equality. That view is shared by 42% of Democrats and 37% of independents.[1]

As on many issues, there is a divide between the views of white and Black Democrats. Fiftyeight percent (58%) of Black Democrats believe more freedom means more equality. Just 36% of white Democrats agree.[1]

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