



Republicans and Independents support policies to **secure and onshore the United States' critical minerals** supply chain.

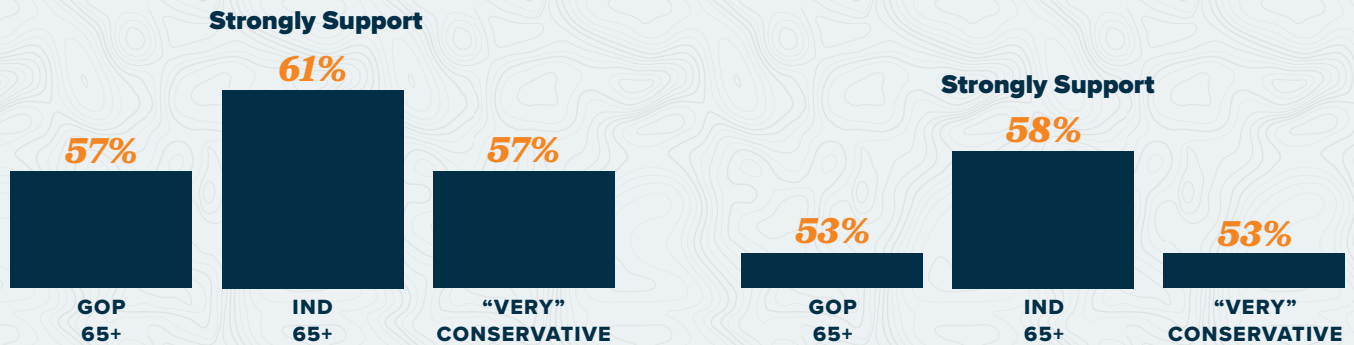
What Are Critical Minerals?

Critical minerals are **needed to produce consumer goods** such as **smart phones** and many modern **military technologies**, as well as renewable technologies such as **solar** and **wind** energy, **batteries** for energy storage and **electric vehicles**. Current U.S. policies increase reliance on foreign critical mineral supply chains and create national security vulnerabilities. Of the 50 critical minerals recognized by the United States, **China is the dominant supplier for 21** of them.

Secure Supply Chains

87% - Republicans & Independents **support policies** that make it easier to develop the American minerals and resources that are necessary for clean energy production in the U.S. and our allied countries.

86% - Republicans & Independents want to **provide support** for developing resources and supply chains in the U.S. and its allied countries.



New Clean Energy Technologies

81% Republicans and Independents want to provide funding to support the research, development and deployment of alternative technologies that do not rely on critical minerals currently sourced by China.

43% Republicans Strongly Support | **45%** Independents Strongly Support

Permitting & Regulatory Reform

77% of Republicans and Independents want to make it easier to extract and process these critical minerals in the U.S. by streamlining permitting and removing other regulatory barriers.

Decrease Reliance on Chinese Minerals

73% of Republicans and Independents want to require clean energy policies that increase demand for these minerals, such as tax credits to buy electric cars, to also include provisions that decrease our reliance on Chinese minerals and supply chains.

Penalize Polluters

70% of Republicans and Independents support penalizing Chinese imports of critical minerals based on the amount of pollution generated during their production.

The CRES Forum survey was conducted March 8-9, 2023, by Moore Information Group. A total of 1,000 online interviews were conducted among a nationwide representative sample of self-identifying Republican and Independent voters. The potential sampling error is plus or minus 3% at the 95% confidence level.