



Spring 2019 Propensity Update

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Youth Poll: Propensity

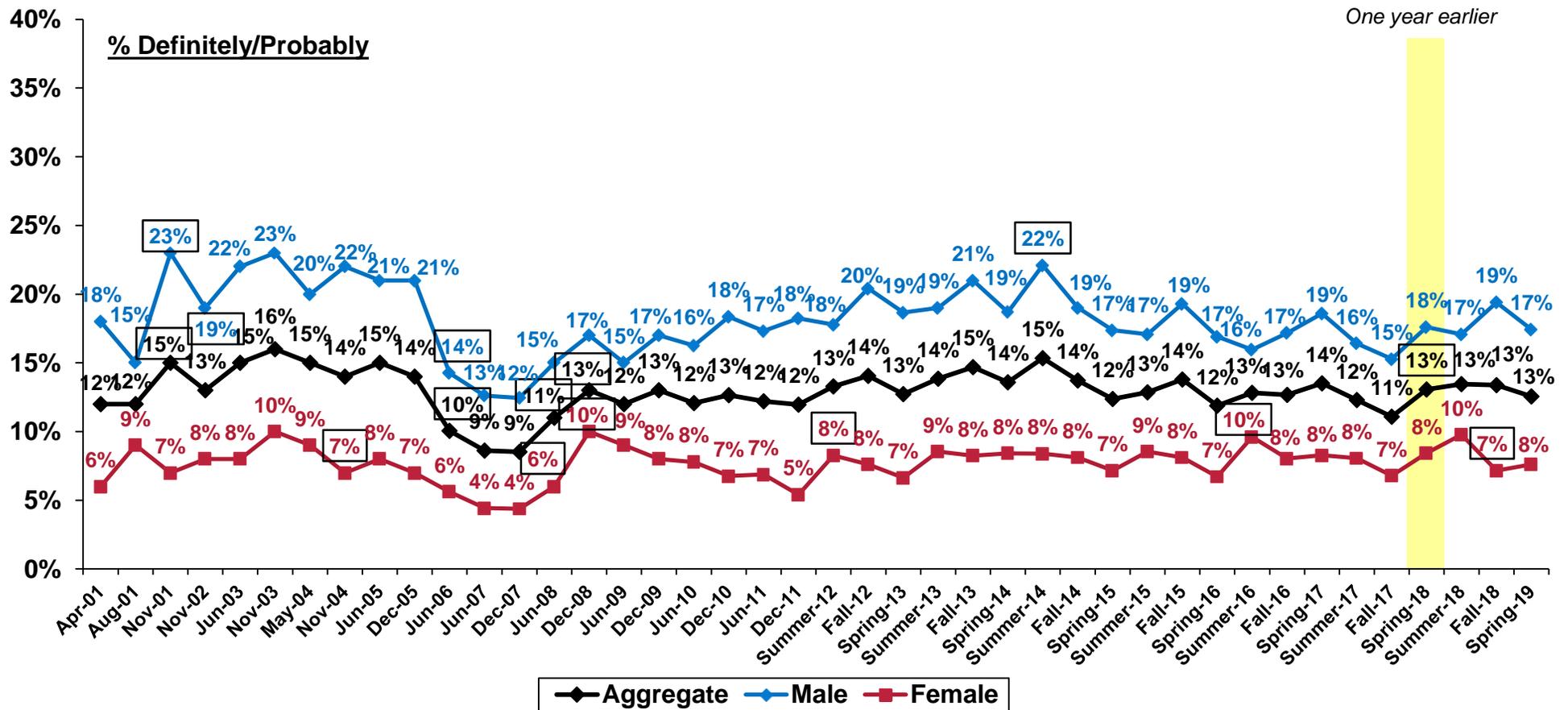
General Military Propensity

By Gender

FPP9: In the next few years, how likely is it that you will be serving in the Military?

Response options: Definitely, Probably, Probably Not, Definitely Not

- Youth general military propensity has stayed consistent at an aggregate level and across males and females from Fall 2018 to Spring 2019.



Note: Youth ages 16–21. Estimates are charted to precise values. Labels are rounded to the nearest whole percent.

Source: DoD Youth Poll



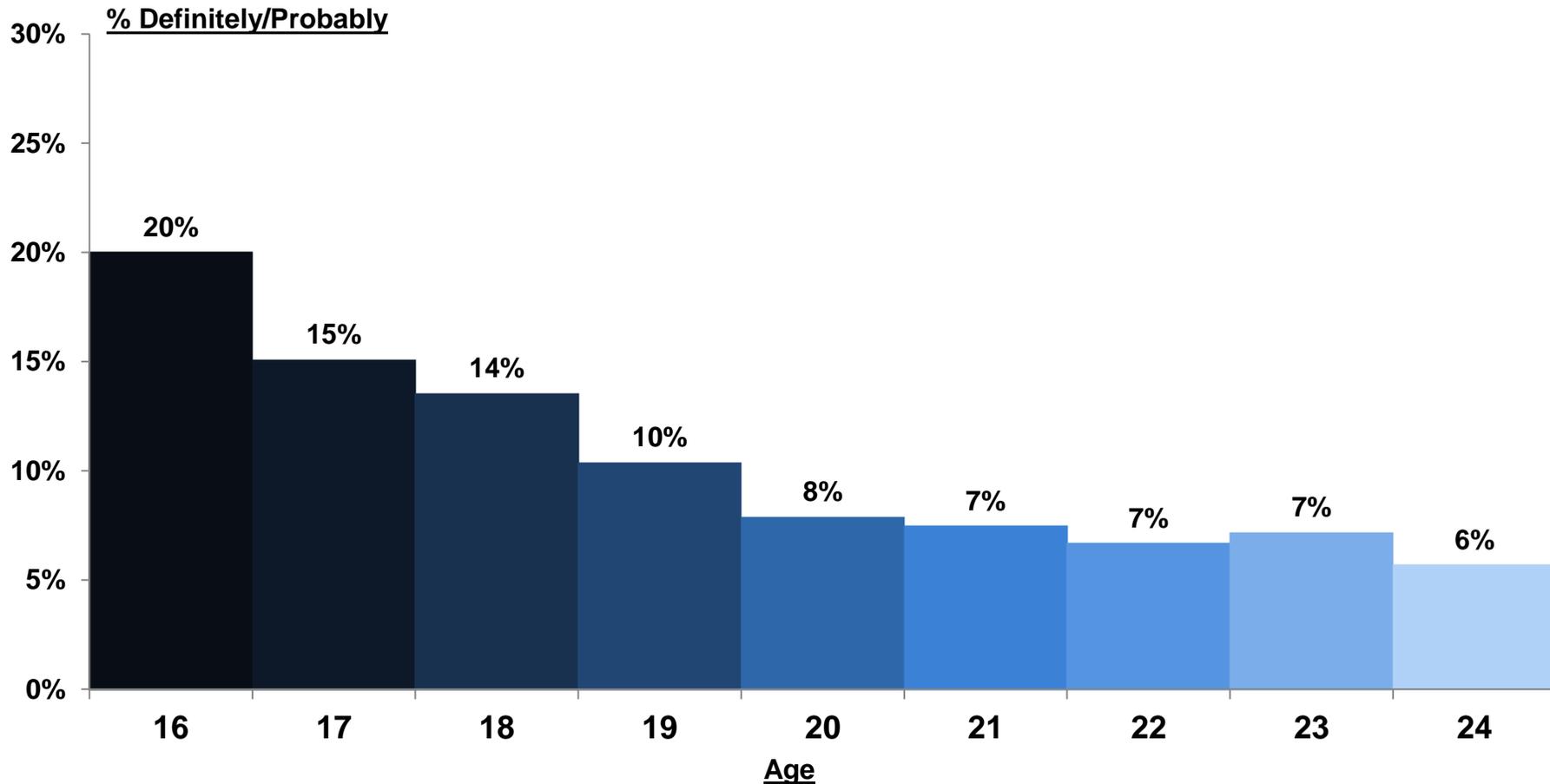
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General Military Propensity

By Age

FPP9: In the next few years, how likely is it that you will be serving in the Military?

Response options: Definitely, Probably, Probably Not, Definitely Not



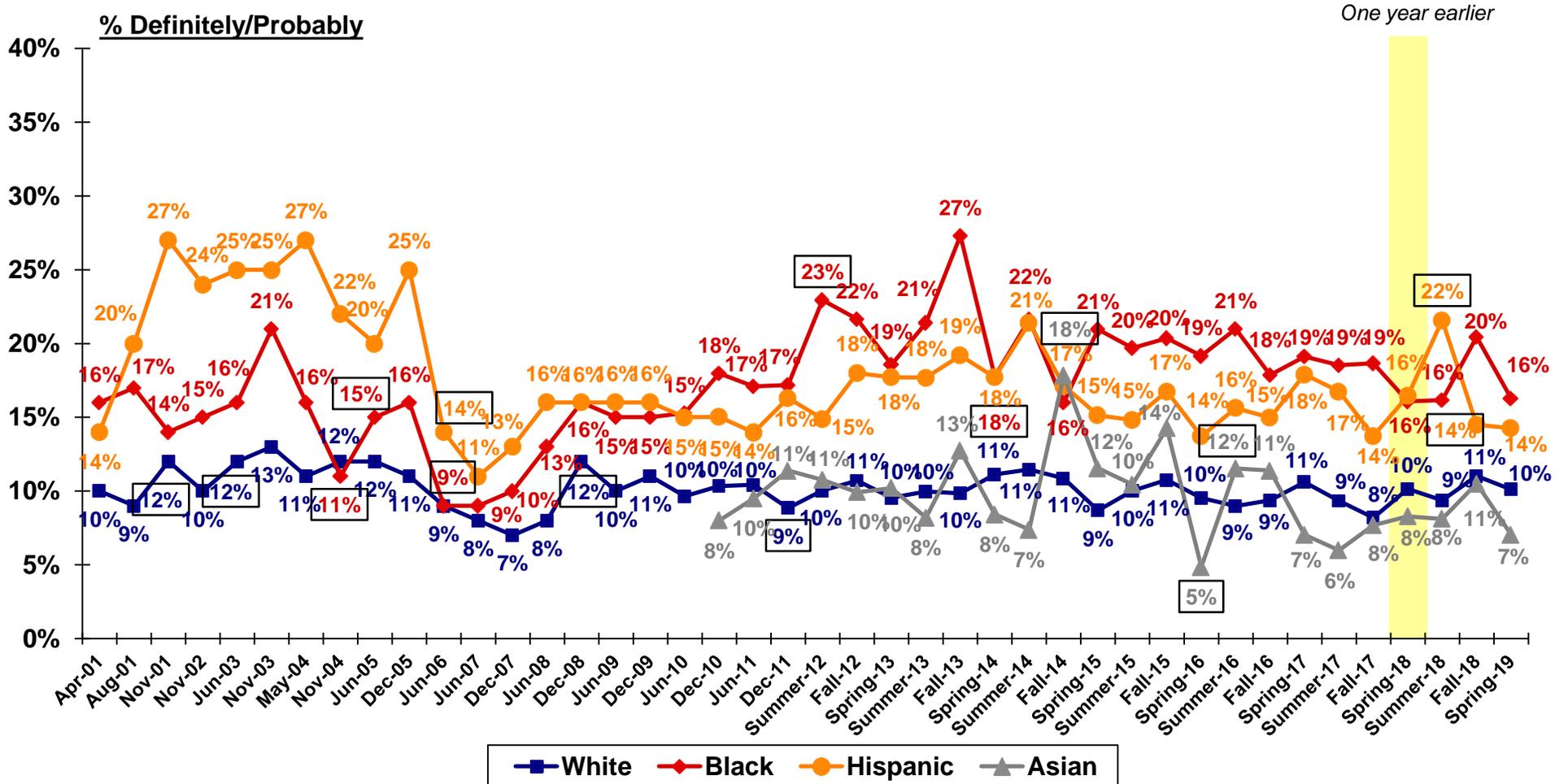
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Source: DoD Youth Poll (Spring 2019)

General Military Propensity

By Race/Ethnicity

FPP9: In the next few years, how likely is it that you will be serving in the Military?

Response options: Definitely, Probably, Probably Not, Definitely Not



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Note: Estimates for Black and Asian youth should be interpreted with caution because of relatively large margins of error.



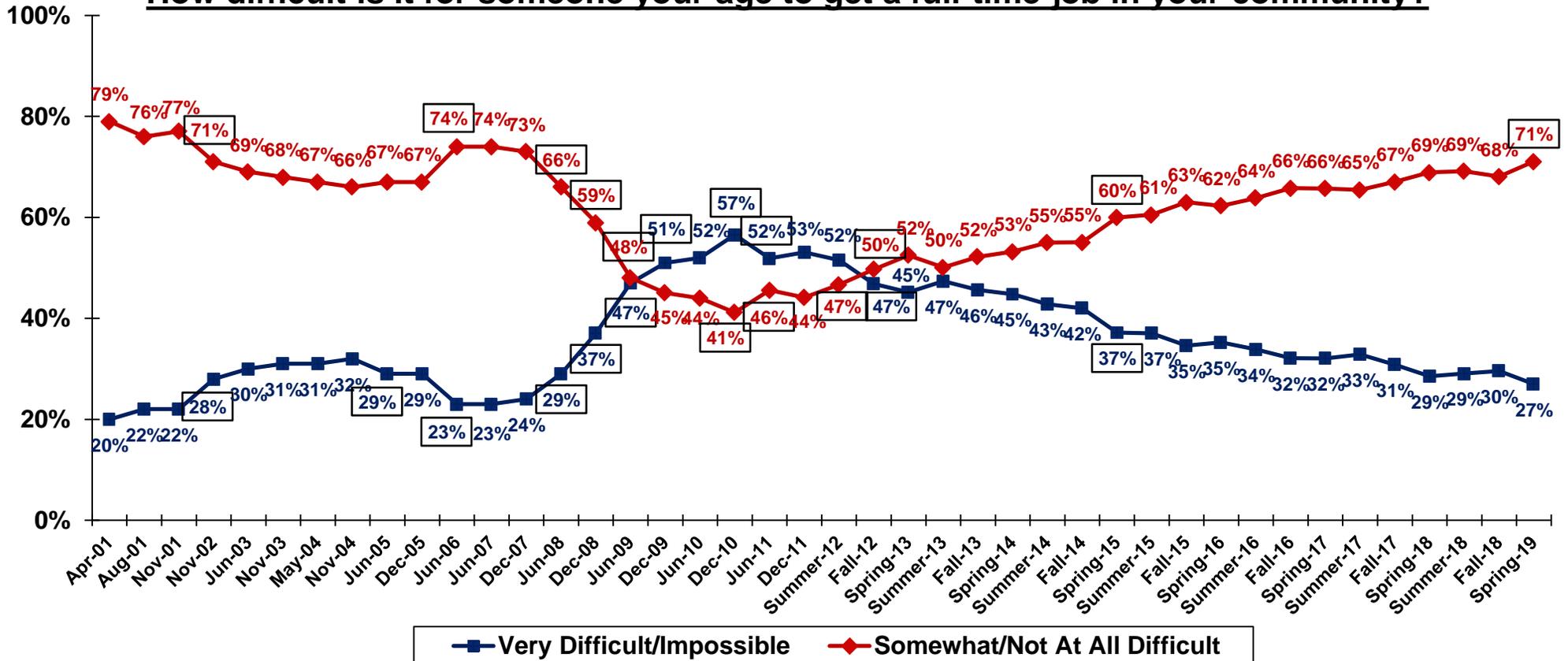
Youth Poll: Economic Conditions

U.S. Military and Economic Conditions

Difficulty of Finding a Job

- As unemployment rates continue to decline, youth are more confident in their ability to find full-time employment.

How difficult is it for someone your age to get a full-time job in your community?



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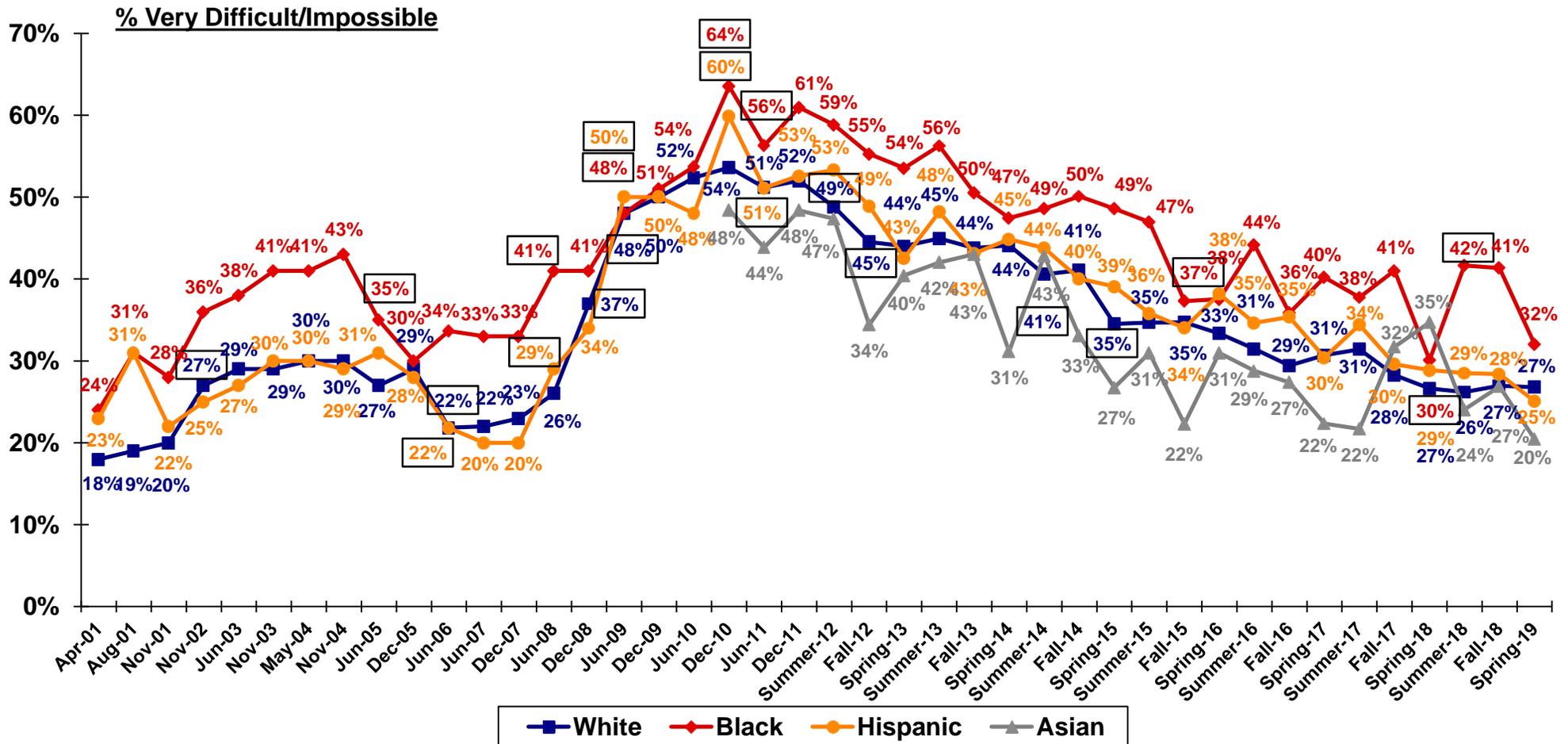


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U.S. Military and Economic Conditions

Difficulty of Finding a Job by Race/Ethnicity

- The proportion of youth reporting difficulty finding a full-time job remained relatively consistent across racial/ethnicity groups in Spring 2019. However, this proportion has continued to trend down over the past decade.



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 EMP5: "How difficult is it for someone your age to get a full-time job in your community?"



Backup

Youth Poll Methodology and Sample

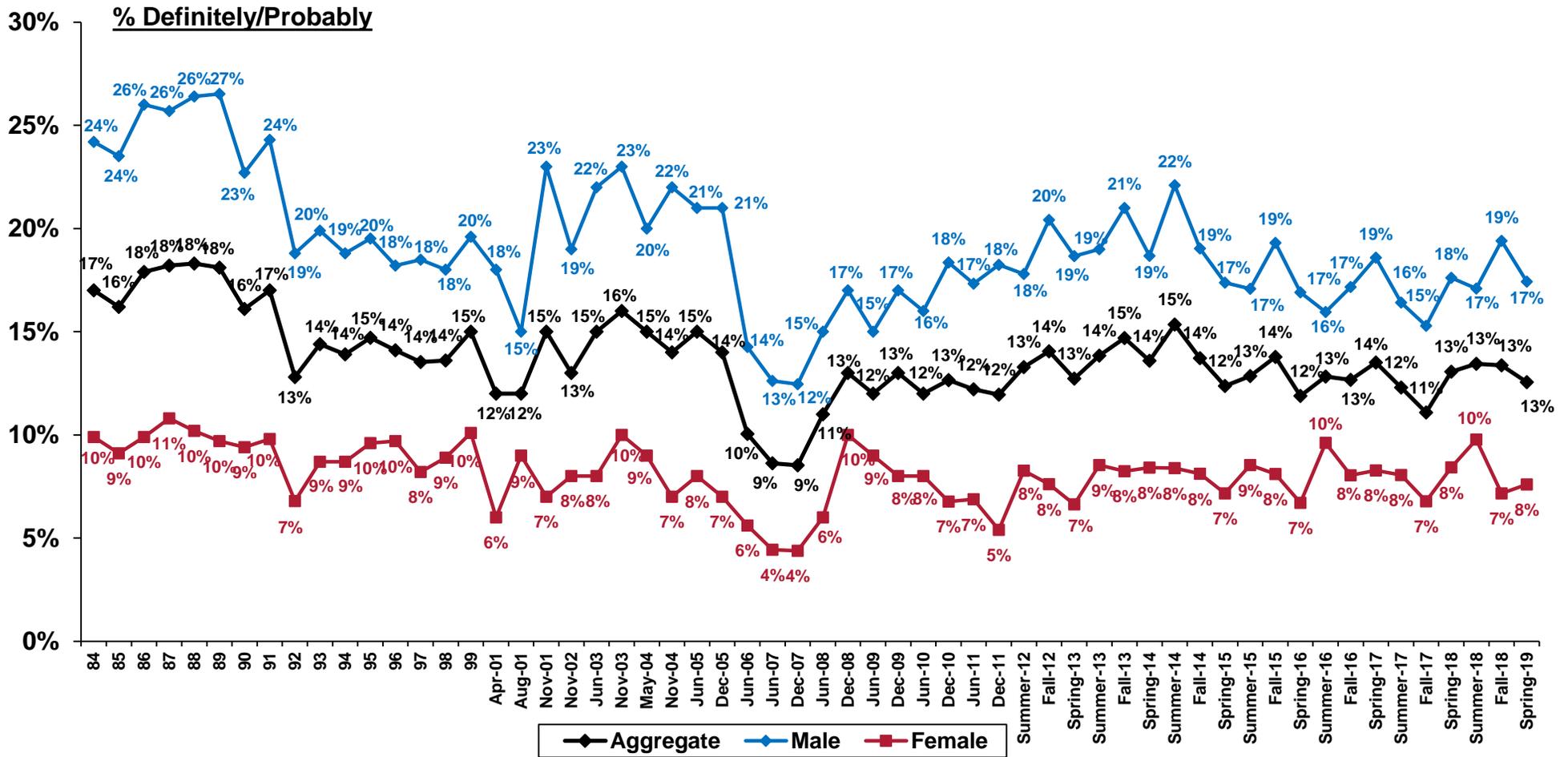
- Mail-based survey fielded from January 2, 2019 to June 28, 2019.
 - A series of five mailings were sent to eight different cohorts semimonthly that invited recipients to participate.
- Final Youth Poll Sample: 4,731 youth aged 16 through 24
 - 3,754 (79%) youth aged 16 through 21 – the metrics presented herein focus on this age group.
 - 977 (21%) youth aged 22 through 24
- Weighted to reflect general population on several dimensions:
 - Gender
 - Age
 - Race/Ethnicity
 - Educational Attainment
 - Region
- Stratified Random Sample
- Note: Estimates are charted to precise values. Labels are rounded to the nearest whole percent.
- Note: Certain slides provide estimates by race/ethnicity.
 - The December 2010 effort was the first Youth Poll with a sufficiently large sample size to report estimates for Asian youth. Asian youth estimates are included only at the overall level and not by gender because of sample size restrictions. The effective sample size for Asian youth is small and results should be interpreted cautiously.

Historical General Military Propensity

By Gender

FPP9: In the next few years, how likely is it that you will be serving in the Military?

Response options: Definitely, Probably, Probably Not, Definitely Not



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Source: DoD YATS and Youth Poll

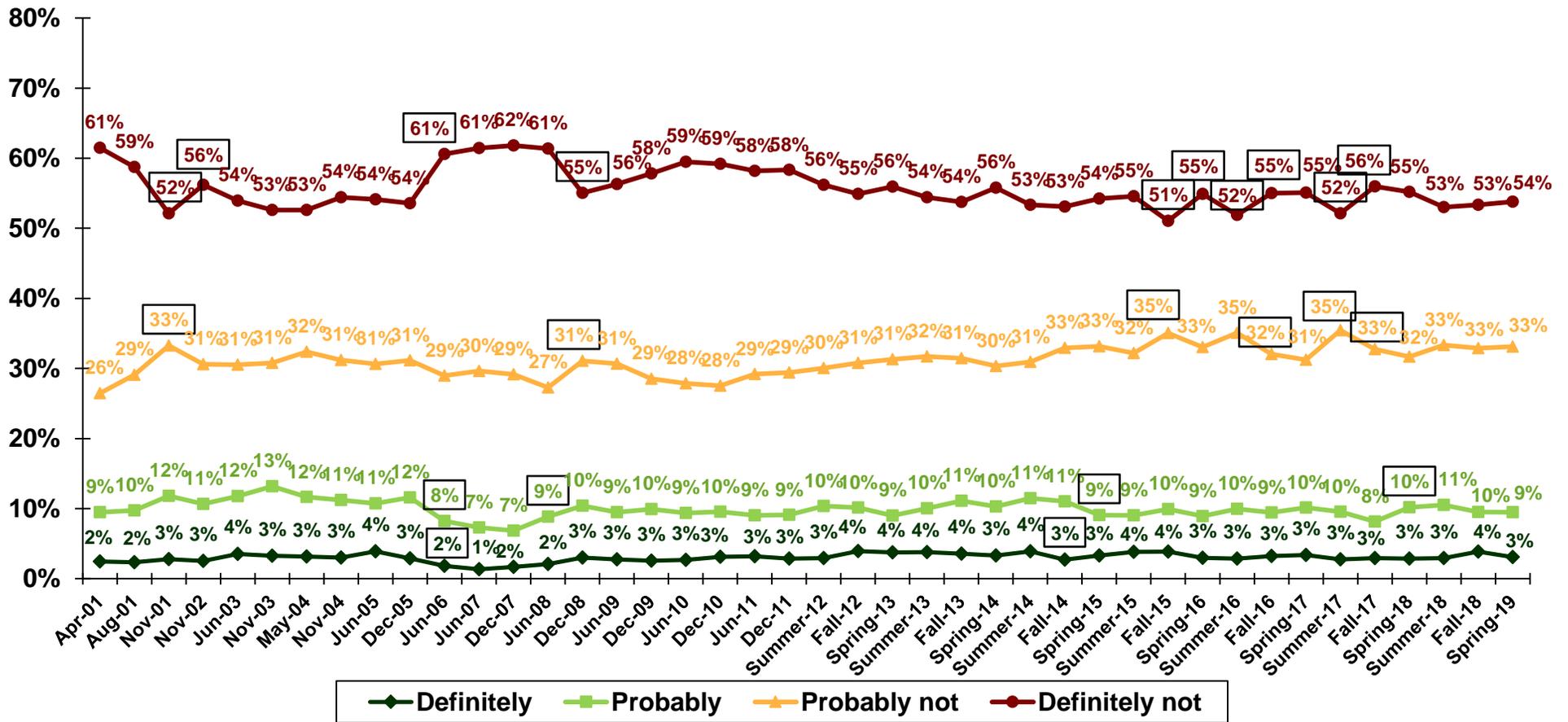


Questions: YATS (Q503)–Jun-10 (FPP9): “Now, I’d like to ask you how likely it is that you will be serving in the Military in the next few years?”
 Dec-10–Onwards (FPP9): “In the next few years, how likely is it that you will be serving in the Military?”

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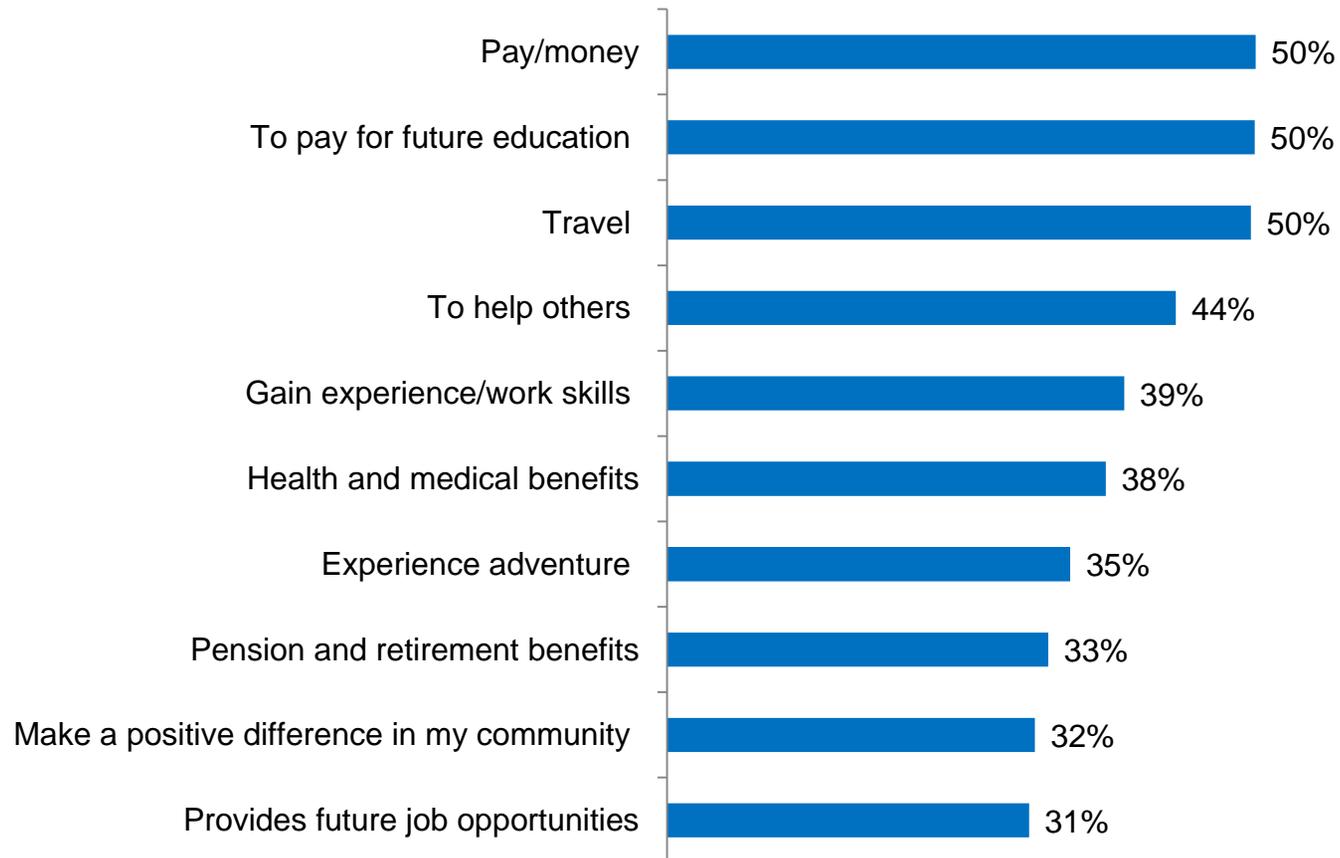
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Reasons to Join

RTJ: if you were to consider joining the U.S. Military, what would be the main reason(s)?

Response options: Yes, multiple response

Top 10 Reasons



Note: Youth ages 16–21.

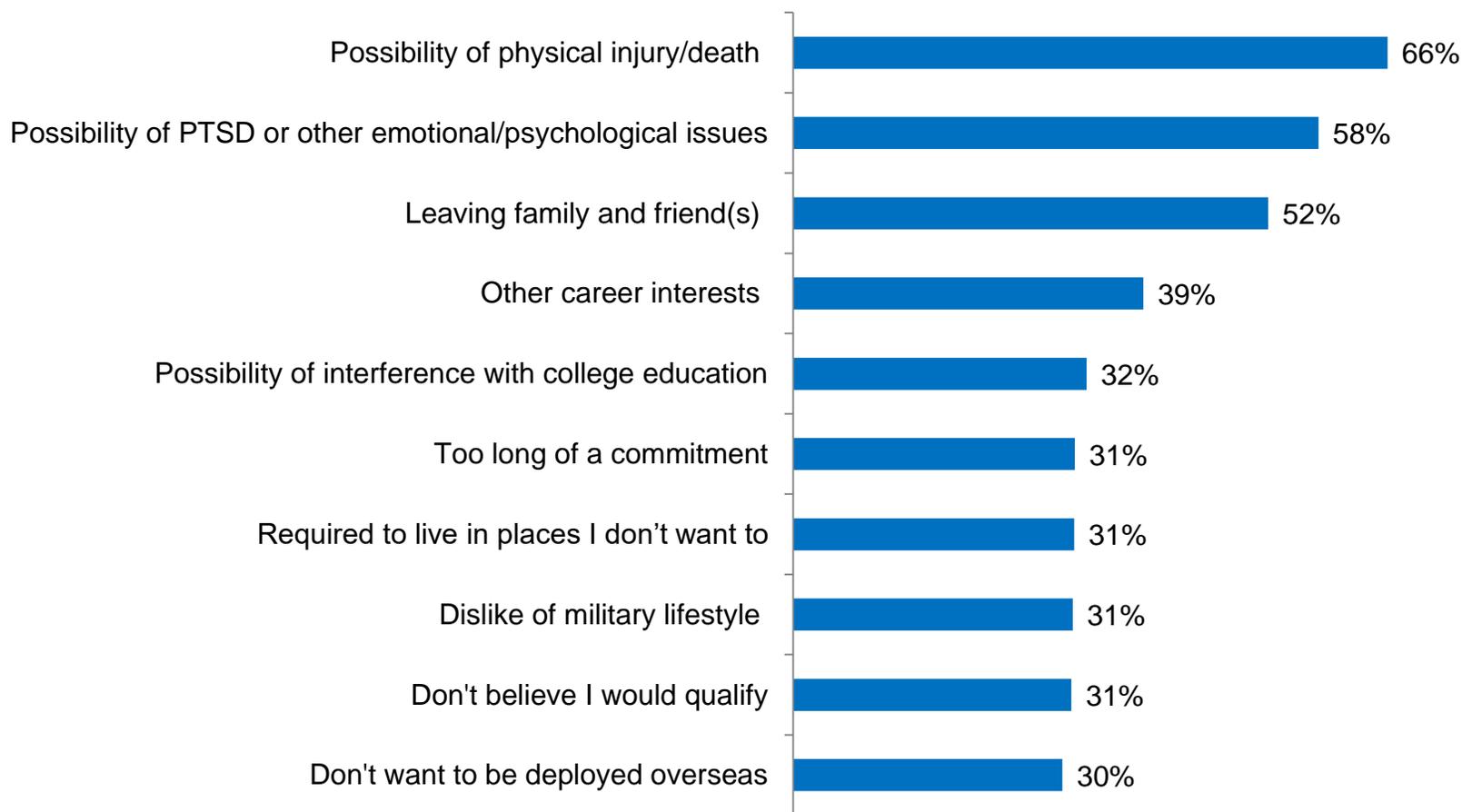
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Reasons Not to Join

RNTJ: What would be the main reason(s) why you would NOT consider joining the U.S. Military?

Response options: Yes, multiple response

Top 10 Reasons



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