



The Effect of Online Socialization on Political Reasoning

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Introduction

- Political reasoning
- Online socialization
- Political participation

Hypotheses

- H1: Online socialization increases political reasoning.
- H2: Online socialization increases political participation.

Implications/Takeaways

- Online socialization is important for political reasoning and participation.
- Online socialization can be used to increase political participation.

Research Question

- How does online socialization affect political reasoning and participation?

Methods

- Survey
- Experiment
- Data analysis

Definitions

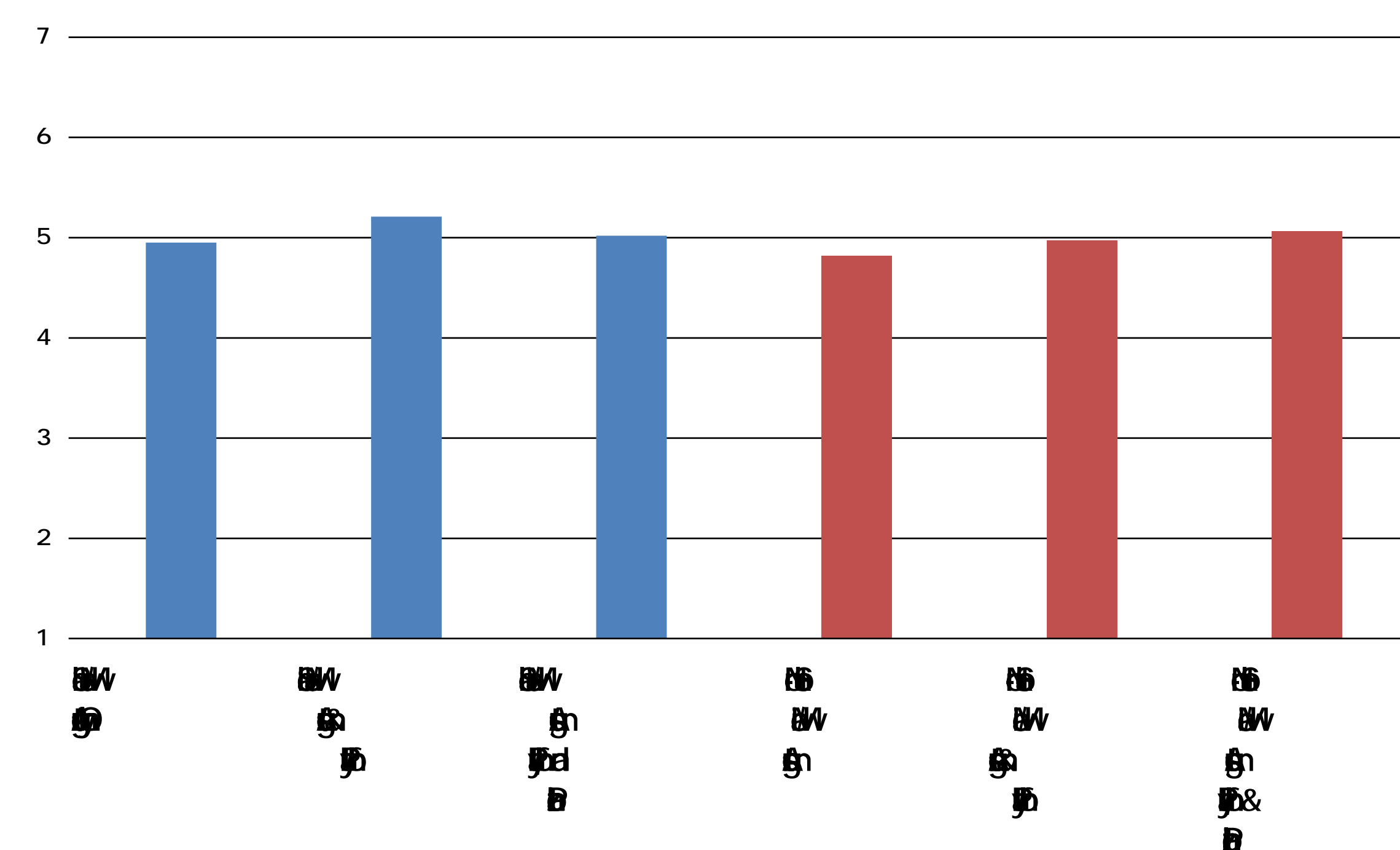
- Political reasoning: "the ability to understand and evaluate political information and to make reasoned judgments about political issues and candidates."
- Online socialization: "the process of interacting with others through digital technologies, such as social media, to discuss and share information about political issues and candidates."
- Political participation: "the act of taking part in political activities, such as voting, donating to a campaign, or attending a political meeting."

Prior Research

- Online socialization is associated with increased political reasoning and participation.
- Online socialization can be used to increase political participation.

Results & Findings

Figure 2- DREAM Act Support Among Democrats



Condition