

# Factual Polarization:

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PARTISAN ASYMMETRY?

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# Competing Hypotheses

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- Rigidity of the Right Hypothesis
- Symmetry Hypothesis
- Sophistication Realignment
  - Sophistication predicts motivated reasoning
  - The Left now more sophisticated
  - = The Left more motivated, certain, resistant, disdainful

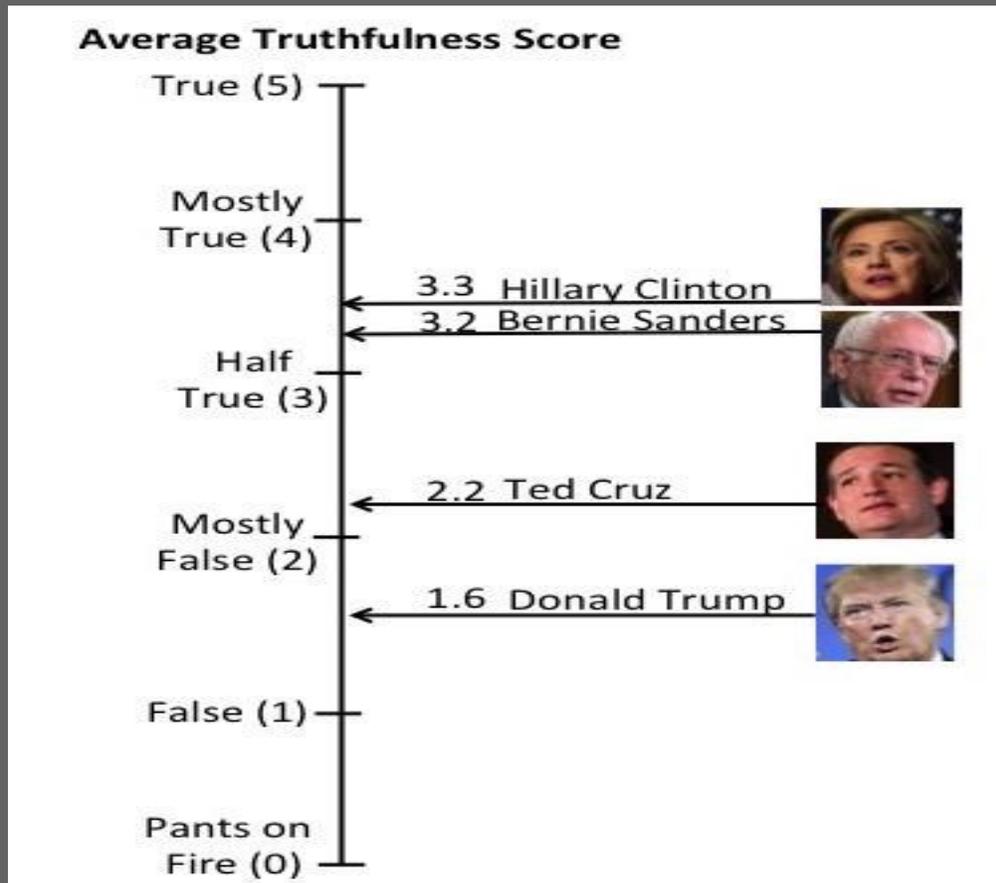
# Evidence: Motivated Perceptions (Probit)

	Climate dy/dx		Racism dy/dx		Sexuality dy/dx
<b>Left ID/Values</b>	.20 ***		.17 ***		.10***
<b>Right ID/Values</b>	-.10 ***		-.10***		-.12***

# Evidence: Motivated Perceptions (Probit)

Predictors	Debt Bad	Crime Up	False Convict. Common	Min. Wage Hurts	Imm. Takes Jobs	Gun Control Works	Poor Poorer
	dy/dx	dy/dx	dy/dx	dy/dx	dy/dx	dy/dx	dy/dx
Left ID/Values	-.01	-.09*	.12***	-.20***	-.27***	.29***	.17***
Right ID/Values	.06**	.04	-.09	.30***	.28***	-.33***	-.24***

# Evidence: Steadfastness/Obstinacy



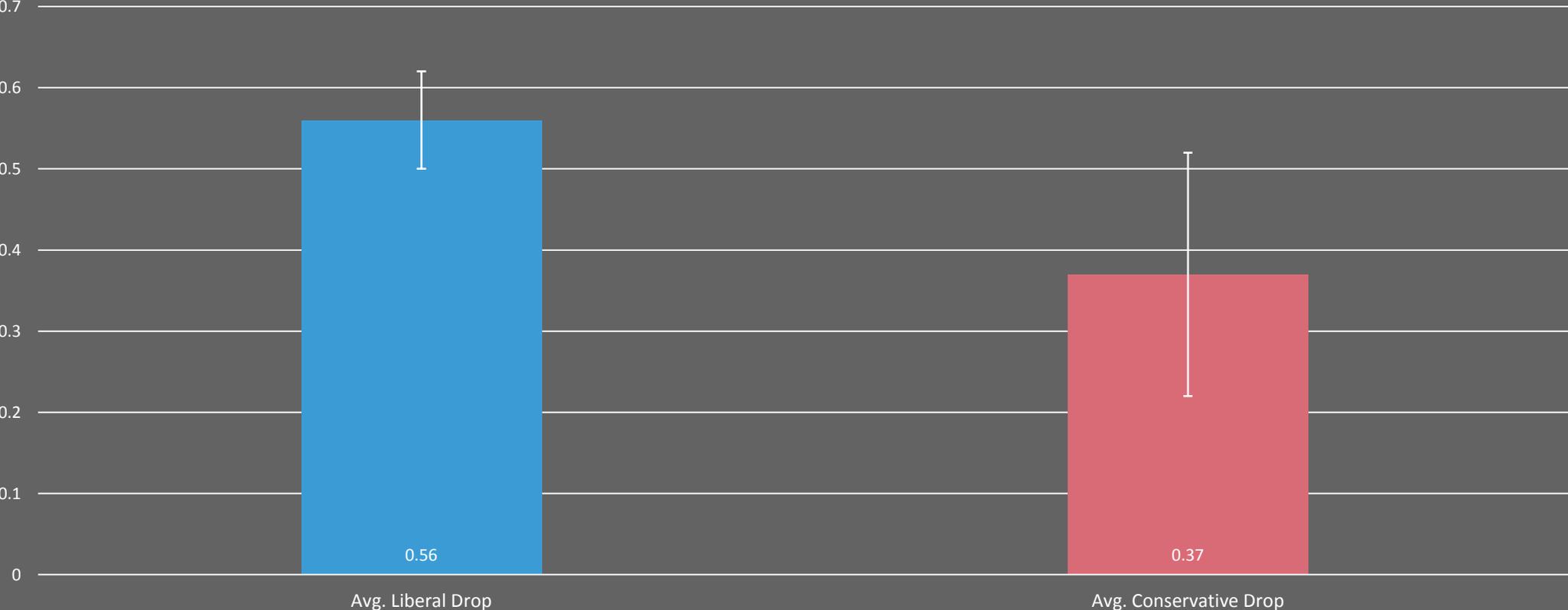
## Changes in Perceptions of Clinton's Honesty, Relative to Trump

	<u>Sanders Supporters</u>	<u>Republicans</u>
<b>PolitiFact Treatment</b>	.04	.02

# Evidence: 11-Point Certainty Index (OLS)

	PID Model	Ideology Model	Values Model	All Measures
<b>PID (GOP High)</b>	-1.74*			-.72*
<b>Ideology (Conservative High)</b>		-1.98*		-.18*
<b>Care</b>			2.13*	1.84*
<b>Equality</b>			.94*	.60
<b>Proportionality</b>			.04	.22
<b>Sanctity</b>			-.39*	-.27
<b>Loyalty</b>			-.96*	-.88*
<b>Authority</b>			-.28	.06

# Evidence: Willing to Work with Bob



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