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Seventy percent of Democratic partisans and leaners said was never acceptable for elected officials to call their opponents stupid, while only 51 percent of Republicans same the same.

Fifty-three percent of Democrats said it was never acceptable to call opponents "anti-American"; only 25 percent of Republicans same the same.

And 42 percent of Democrats said is was never acceptable to call an opponent's policy positions "evil" — a minority this time, but, here again, a larger proportion than the 26 percent of Republicans who said the same.

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