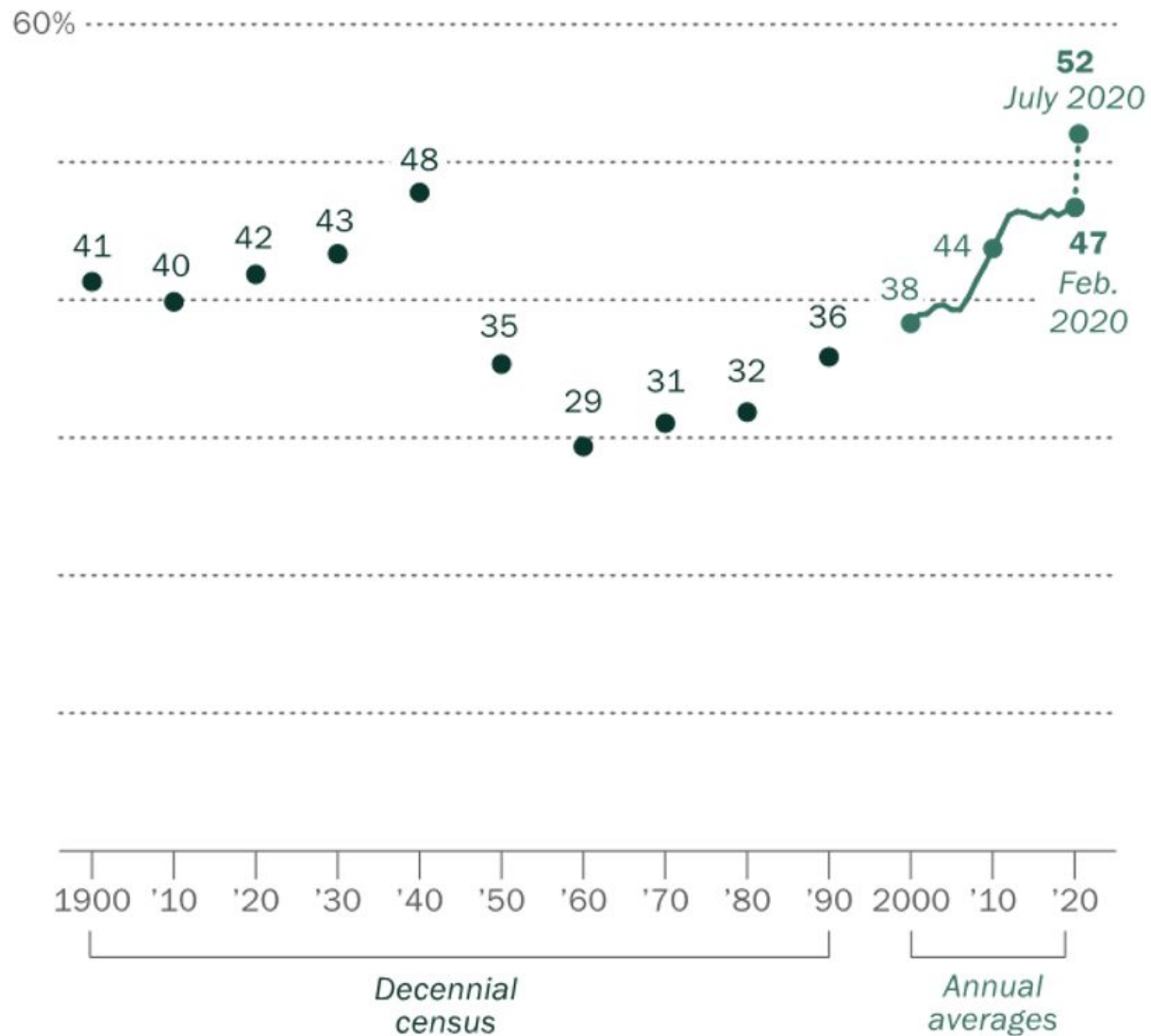

Share of young adults living with parents rises to levels not seen since the Great Depression era

% of 18- to 29-year-olds in U.S. living with a parent



Note: "Living with a parent" refers to those who are residing with at least one parent in the household. 1900-1990 shares based on household population.

Source: Pew Research Center analysis of decennial census 1900-1990; Current Population Survey annual averages 2000-2019; 2020 Current Population Survey monthly files (IPUMS).

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Critical Analysis

1. What portion of 18-29-year-olds in the U.S. are currently living with their parents?
2. Identify one trend you see in this chart.
3. Why do you think that is?
4. What is one consequence of over half of 18-29-year-olds living at home?
5. Is this good news?
6. You are in high school and should be living at home. Do you think that you will be living at home when you are a high school graduate and age 18-29?
7. What has happened to the rate of young adults living at home just in this year?
8. How do you think this will impact the political ideology and voting habits of young adults?
9. How would the end of the pandemic impact the rate of young adults living at home?
10. Even before the pandemic, the rate of young adults living at home has been increasing since 1960. Why do you think that is?
11. Respond to the following claim with a concise and well reasoned argument: people age 18-29 living at home should pay rent.
12. What demographic groups do you think have had the fastest rising rate of living at home?*

Learning Extension

Read this stupid [Pew Research Center report](#) on young adults living at home.

Action Extension

Talk to your parents about where they lived when they were in the 18-29 age range.

Visual Extension*

Increase in share of those living with their parents is more pronounced among 18- to 24-year-olds

% of 18- to 29-year-olds in U.S. living with a parent



Note: "Living with a parent" refers to those who are residing with at least one parent in the household. White, Black and Asian adults include those who report being only one race and are non-Hispanic. Hispanics are of any race. The percentage point changes are computed from unrounded shares.

Source: Pew Research Center analysis of 2020 Current Population Survey monthly files.