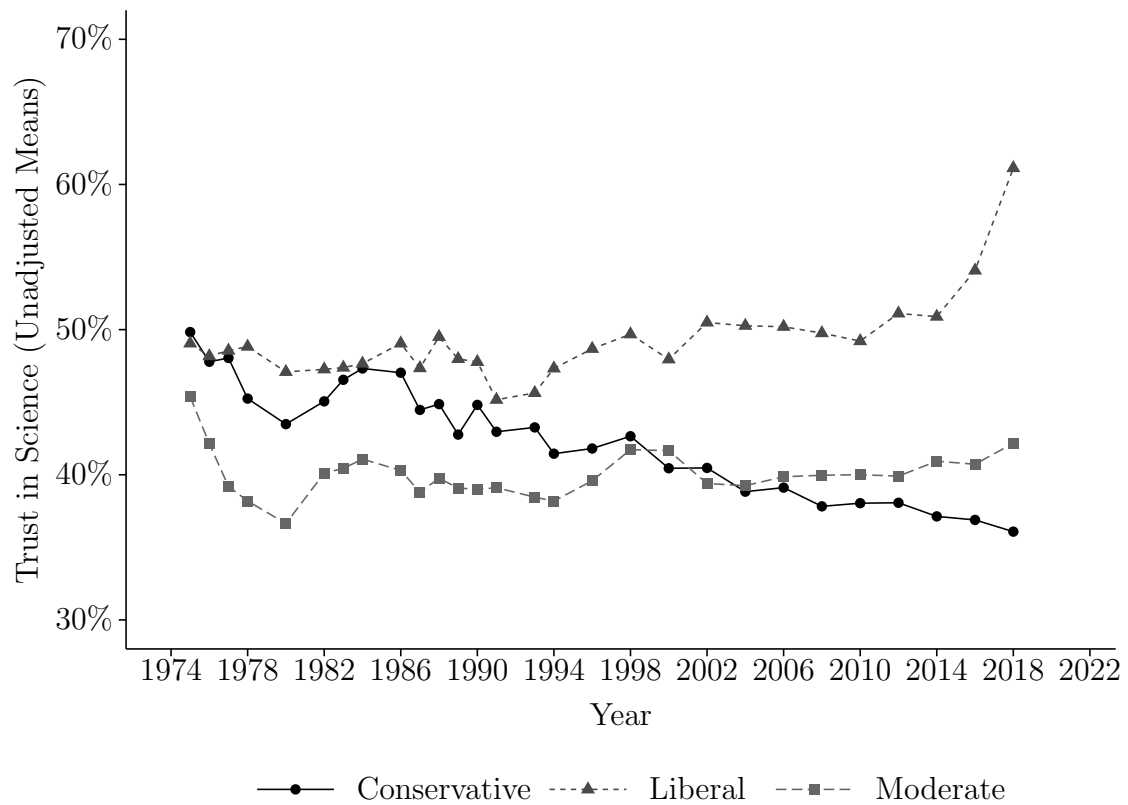


**Table 1.** Descriptive Statistics, General Social Survey 1974 to 2021 ( $N = 35,940$ )

Variable	Mean	SD	Min	Max
Confidence in Science	0.445		0	1
Female	0.538		0	1
Non-White	0.183		0	1
Education (yrs)	13.213	3.035	0	20
High School	0.512		0	1
Bachelor	0.167		0	1
Graduate	0.085		0	1
South	0.342		0	1
Church Attendance	3.698	2.701	0	8
Family Income	32993.219	30220.732	218	162607
Age	45.142	16.772	18	88
Independent	0.361		0	1
Republican	0.251		0	1
Moderate	0.377		0	1
Conservative	0.143		0	1
Post-Reagan (1981-2021)	0.798		0	1
Bush (2001-2008)	0.117		0	1
Post-Trump (2017-2021)	0.097		0	1
COVID-19	0.060		0	1
Cohort	1950.627	20.757	1886	2003

*Note:* Add additional information.

**Figure 1.** Unadjusted Means of Public Trust in Science for Each Survey Year by Political Ideology



*Note:* Figure shows three-year moving averages for each group, which smooth the patterns