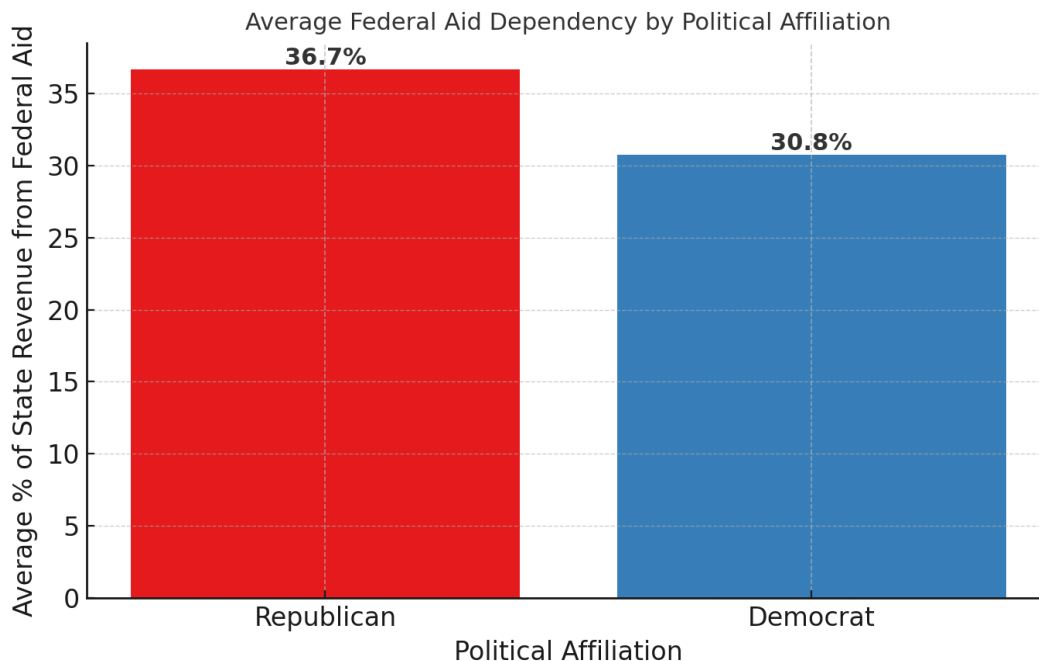


Federal Aid and Political Affiliation

Research Question: Do Republican-leaning or Democrat-leaning states receive more federal aid?

The visualization suggests a modest correlation between political affiliation and reliance on federal aid. On average, Republican-leaning states depend more heavily on federal aid as a share of their state revenue compared to Democrat-leaning states. This pattern highlights a partisan trend, though it is not absolute—Democrat-leaning New Mexico and the District of Columbia also appear among the most aid-dependent states. These exceptions emphasize that while political affiliation plays a role, structural and economic factors also shape state-level reliance on federal funding.

Republican states on average depend more on federal aid than Democrat states



Conclusion: Republican-leaning states on average receive more support from federal aid, though political affiliation alone cannot fully explain dependency levels.