

2024-2025 Political Psychology of American Democracy (PPAD) Survey
N=3,000 Adults Ages 18+, Spanish and English
DRAFT 8/18/2024

Base: All respondents

[TEXT]

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Base: All respondents

HUMAN FLOURISHING INDEX

HUMFL1. In general, how positive (happy) or negative (unhappy) do you usually feel these days?

[USE A VERTICAL SCALE WITH RADIO BUTTONS, PLEASE HAVE NUMBERS RECORDED FOR EACH SPACE ON THE SCALE FOR CODING PURPOSES,

0 = Extremely negative (Unhappy) 10 = Extremely positive (Happy)

[RANDOMLY REVERSE SCALE]

0 – Extremely negative (Unhappy)

1

2

3 – Somewhat negative (Unhappy)

4

5 – Neither

6

7 – Somewhat positive (Happy)

8

9

10 – Extremely positive (Happy)

Base: All respondents

HUMFL2. Overall, to what extent do you feel the things you do in your life are worthwhile?

[USE A VERTICAL SCALE WITH RADIO BUTTONS, PLEASE HAVE NUMBERS RECORDED FOR EACH SPACE ON THE SCALE FOR CODING PURPOSES]

0 = Not at All worthwhile, 10 = Completely worthwhile

[hold order from humfl1]

0 – Not at all worthwhile

1

2

3 – Not very worthwhile

4

5 - Neither

6

7 - Somewhat worthwhile

8

9

10 – Completely worthwhile

Base: All respondents

HUMFL3. Please read the statements below. For each one, please tell us whether the statement is [ROTATE ‘completely true of you’ and ‘not true of you’] completely true of you or not true of you at all.

[ACCORDION GRID, RANDOMIZE STATEMENTS]

HUMFL3_1. I understand my purpose in life

HUMFL3_2. Even in difficult and challenging situations I always act to promote good in all circumstances

HUMFL3_3. I am always able to give up some happiness now for greater happiness later

[USE A VERTICAL SCALE WITH RADIO BUTTONS, PLEASE HAVE NUMBERS RECORDED FOR EACH SPACE ON THE SCALE FOR CODING PURPOSES,

0 = Not true of me, 10 = Completely true of me

[[hold order from humfl1]

0 – Not true of me

1

2

3 -Not very true of me

4

5 - Neither

6

7 – Somewhat true of me

8

9

10 – Completely true of me

Base: All respondents

HUMFL6. Please read the statements below. Please tell us how often you worry about...

[USE A VERTICAL SCALE WITH RADIO BUTTONS, PLEASE HAVE NUMBERS RECORDED FOR EACH SPACE ON THE SCALE FOR CODING PURPOSES,

0 = Worry All of the Time, 10 = Do Not Ever Worry

HUMFL6_1 Being able to meet normal monthly living expenses

HUMFL6_2. Safety, food, or housing

[[hold order from humfl1 – please insert “numbers”]

0 – Worry all of the time

1

2

3 – Worry a lot of the time

4

5 - Neither

6

7 – Worry some of the time

8

9

10 – Do not ever worry

RESPECT MEASUREMENT EXPERIMENT (3 WAVE TRACK)

DOV_Respect: Randomly assign respondents to one of following:

1=Federal

2=State

3=Local

Base: One-third of Respondents see Fed_Respect

Fed_Respect. How much do you respect those who serve in the FEDERAL government?

[RANDOMLY REVERSE SCALE]

01 No respect at all

02 A little respect

03 A fair amount of respect

04 A great deal of respect

Base: One-third of Respondents see State_Respect

State_Respect. How much do you respect those who serve in your STATE government?

[RANDOMLY REVERSE SCALE]

- 01 No respect at all
- 02 A little respect
- 03 A fair amount of respect
- 04 A great deal of respect

Base: One-third of Respondents see Local_Respect

Local_Respect. How much do you respect those who serve in your LOCAL government?

[RANDOMLY REVERSE SCALE]

- 01 No respect at all
 - 02 A little respect
 - 03 A fair amount of respect
 - 04 A great deal of respect
-

MEDIA/NEWS CONSUMPTION

Base: All respondents

How often, if at all, do you get news or information from the following sources?

[ITEMS; RANDOMIZE]

- | | |
|-------------------|--|
| Media_FOC | FOX News |
| Media_CNN | CNN or MSNBC |
| Media_ABC | ABC, CBS, or NBC News |
| Media_NYT | New York Times, Washington Post, Wall Street Journal, or USA Today |
| Media_CON | Conservative online news (e.g., Breitbart, Daily Caller, Newsmax, |
| Instapundit) | |
| Media_DON | Digital or online news |
| Media_LocalNews | Your local newspaper |
| Media_LocalTVNews | Your local TV news |
| Media_PubRad | Public television or radio |
| Media_SocMed | Social media, YouTube, or TikTok |
| Media_Newsletter | Newsletters or news items sent directly to you |

[RANDOMLY REVERSE SCALE]

- 01 Never
 - 02 Rarely
 - 03 Sometimes
 - 04 Fairly often
 - 05 Every day
-

INTELLECTUAL INTEREST (3 WAVE TRACK)

Base: All respondents

Interest_1. There are many subjects being discussed these days, please indicate **how much interest you have** in gaining a deeper understanding of each of the following:

[RANDOMIZE GRID ITEMS – FIRST 4 ITEMS ARE SPLIT SAMPLED RANDOMLY TO N750]

A1. U.S. Democracy [(1/4 of sample) [RANDOMLY ASSIGN ITEM N=750 RESPONDENTS]

A2. U.S. Democracy - Voting and Elections [(1/4 of sample) [RANDOMLY ASSIGN ITEM N=750
RESPONDENTS]

A3. U.S. Democracy – Citizenship rights and freedoms [(1/4 of sample) [RANDOMLY ASSIGN ITEM
N=750 RESPONDENTS]

A4. U.S. Democracy – How to improve it [(1/4 of sample) [RANDOMLY ASSIGN ITEM N=750
RESPONDENTS]

B. Energy and climate

C. Finance and investment

D. Government and public policy

E. Artificial Intelligence and technology

F. Economics and labor

G. Housing and real estate

F. Personal health and well-being

[RANDOMLY REVERSE SCALE]

01 None at all

02 A little

03 A fair amount

04 A lot

TRUST MEASUREMENT EXPERIMENT I (3 WAVE TRACK)

DOV_Trust: Randomly assign respondents to one of following:

1=Federal

2=State

3=Local

Base: One-third of Respondents see Fed_Trust

Fed_Trust. How much do you trust the FEDERAL government to do what is right?

[RANDOMLY REVERSE SCALE]

- 01 No trust at all
- 02 A little trust
- 03 A fair amount
- 04 A great deal of trust

Base: One-third of Respondents see State_Trust

State_Trust. How much do you trust your STATE government to do what is right?

[RANDOMLY REVERSE SCALE]

- 01 No trust at all
- 02 A little trust
- 03 A fair amount
- 04 A great deal of trust

Base: One-third of Respondents see Local_Trust

Local_Trust. How much do you trust your LOCAL government to do what is right?

[RANDOMLY REVERSE SCALE]

- 01 No trust at all
- 02 A little trust
- 03 A fair amount
- 04 A great deal of trust

TRUST MEASUREMENT EXPERIMENT II (3 WAVE TRACK)

Base: One-Third of Respondents See Qa_ CONWATER

Qa_ CONWATER. To what extent are you [RANDOMLY ROTATE 'supportive' AND 'unsupportive'] supportive or unsupportive of allowing the following entities to manage the regulation of water?

[RANDOMIZE GRID ITEMS]]

Qa_ CONWATER1. The federal government

Qa_ CONWATER2. Your state government

Qa_ CONWATER3. Your local government

Qa_ CONWATER4. Community organizations and/or non-profit organizations

Qa_ CONWATER5. Corporations

[RANDOMLY REVERSE SCALE, match order in question text]

01 Not at all supportive

02 Unsupportive

03 Neither unsupportive nor supportive

04 Supportive

05 Very supportive

Base: One-Third of Respondents See Qb_ CONCYBER

Qb_ CONCYBER. To what extent are you [RANDOMLY ROTATE 'supportive' AND 'unsupportive'] supportive or unsupportive of allowing the following entities to set standards for cyber security?

[RANDOMIZE GRID ITEMS match order in question text]]]

Qb_ CONCYBER1. The federal government

Qb_ CONCYBER2. Your state government

Qb_ CONCYBER3. Your local government

Qb_ CONCYBER4. Community organizations and/or non-profit organizations

Qb_ CONCYBER5. Corporations

[RANDOMLY REVERSE SCALE]

01 Not at all supportive

02 Unsupportive

03 Neither unsupportive nor supportive

04 Supportive

05 Very supportive

Base: One-Third of Respondents See Qc_CONHEALTH

Qc_CONHEALTH. To what extent are you [RANDOMLY ROTATE 'supportive' AND 'unsupportive'] supportive or unsupportive of allowing the following entities to set decisions about public health standards and protocols?

[RANDOMIZE GRID ITEMS]

Qc_CONHEALTH1. The federal government

Qc_CONHEALTH2. Your state government

Qc_CONHEALTH3. Your local government

Qc_CONHEALTH4. Community organizations and/or non-profit organizations

Qc_CONHEALTH5. Corporations

[RANDOMLY REVERSE SCALE match order in question text]

- 01 Not at all supportive
- 02 Unsupportive
- 03 Neither unsupportive nor supportive
- 04 Supportive
- 05 Very supportive

POLITICAL POSITIONING

Base: All Respondents

COMP_EFF. We are interested in which statement comes closer to your views, even if neither is exactly right.

RANDOMLY ROTATE, RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 01 Ordinary citizens can do a lot to influence the government in Washington if they are willing to make the effort
- 02 There's not much ordinary citizens can do to influence the government in Washington

Base: All Respondents

COMP_MERIT. We are interested in which statement comes closer to your views, even if neither is exactly right.

RANDOMLY ROTATE, RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 01 Most people who want to get ahead can make it if they're willing to work hard
- 02 Hard work and determination are no guarantee of success for most people

Base: All Respondents

COMPTERROR. We are interested in which statement comes closer to your views, even if neither is exactly right.

RANDOMLY ROTATE, RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 01 Americans need to sacrifice some privacy and freedoms in order to be safe from terrorism
- 02 Americans do NOT need to sacrifice privacy and freedoms in order to be safe from terrorism

Base: All Respondents

COMP_SPEECH. We are interested in which statement comes closer to your views, even if neither is exactly right.

RANDOMLY ROTATE, RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 01 People need to be more careful about the language they use to avoid offending people with different backgrounds
- 02 Too many people are easily offended these days over the language that others use

TOP OF MIND DEMOCRACY (3-WAVE TRACK)

[RANDOMIZE THE QUESTION ORDER FOR ONEWORD1A, ONEWORD1B AND ONEWORD1C.]

Base: All Respondents

ONEWORD1a. What one word or phrase would you use to DEFINE American democracy?
[Open Form Box (Max 50 characters)]

TOP OF MIND AMERICAN VOTERS (3-WAVE TRACK)

Base: All Respondents

ONEWORD1b. What one word or phrase would you use to DESCRIBE American voters?
[Open Form Box (Max 50 characters)]

TOP OF MIND AMERICAN GOVERNMENT (3-WAVE TRACK)

Base: All Respondents

ONEWORD1c. What one word or phrase would you use to DESCRIBE American government?
[Open Form Box (Max 50 characters)]

FUTURE OF DEMOCRACY (3 WAVE TRACK)

Base: All Respondents

Hope1. Generally speaking, on a scale from 1 to 10 where 10 is “extremely hopeful” and 1 is “extremely worried” how do you feel about the future of American democracy?

[RANDOMLY REVERSE SCALE – Vertical with radio buttons]

- 1 – Extremely worried
 - 2
 - 3 – Worried
 - 4
 - 5 – Neither hopeful nor worried
 - 6
 - 7 – Hopeful
 - 8
 - 9
 - 10 – Extremely hopeful
-

POLITICAL EFFICACY

Base: All Respondents

POLEFFA1. Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

[RANDOMIZE GRID ITEMS]

POLEFFA. I have a good understanding of the political issues facing this country

POLEFFB. I know more about politics than most people of my age

POLEFFD. Public officials don’t care about what people like me think

POLEFFE. I have access to all the information I need to participate in our democracy with confidence

[RANDOMLY REVERSE SCALE]

- 01 Strongly disagree
 - 02 Disagree
 - 03 Neither agree nor disagree
 - 04 Agree
 - 05 Strongly agree
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VOTER TRUST AND COMPETENCE (PRE-ELECTION ONLY)**DOV_COMP: Randomly assign respondents to one of following:****1=Federal****2=State****3=Local****Base: RANDOMLY ASSIGN 1/3 OF SAMPLE N=1,000**

VCOMPA1_1. Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below as they relate to NATIONAL elections.

[RANDOMIZE GRID ITEMS]

VCOMP2a. My vote matters a great deal to who wins in national elections (1/3 of sample)

VCOMP1_1. I am well qualified to choose which national candidate to vote for

VCOMP3_1. The outcomes of the 2024 national elections will have a big effect on my life

VCOMP4_1. If I don't vote, others will do a good job of picking the right national candidate

VCOMP5_1. I know a great deal about each national candidate's policy positions, experience, and other qualities

VCOMP6_1. It is easy for me to figure out which national candidate to vote for

[REVERSE SCALE, RESPONSE OPTION]

[RANDOMLY REVERSE SCALE]

01 Strongly disagree

02 Disagree

03 Neither agree nor disagree

04 Agree

05 Strongly agree

Base: RANDOMLY ASSIGN 1/3 OF SAMPLE N=1,000

VCOMPA1_2. Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below as they relate to your STATE elections.

[RANDOMIZE GRID ITEMS]

VCOMP2c_2. My vote matters a great deal to who wins in state elections

VCOMP1_2. I am well qualified to choose which state candidates to vote for

VCOMP3_2. The outcomes of the 2024 state elections will have a big effect on my life

VCOMP4_2. If I don't vote, others will do a good job of picking the right state candidates

VCOMP5_2. I know a great deal about each state candidate's policy positions, experience, and other qualities

VCOMP6_2. It is easy for me to figure out which state candidates to vote for

[REVERSE SCALE, RESPONSE OPTION]

[RANDOMLY REVERSE SCALE]

01 Strongly disagree

02 Disagree

03 Neither agree nor disagree

04 Agree

05 Strongly agree

Base: RANDOMLY ASSIGN 1/3 OF SAMPLE N=1,000

VCOMPA1_2. Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below as they relate to your LOCAL elections.

[RANDOMIZE GRID ITEMS]

VCOMP2c_2. My vote matters a great deal to who wins in local elections

VCOMP1_2. I am well qualified to choose which local candidates to vote for

VCOMP3_2. The outcomes of the 2024 local elections will have a big effect on my life

VCOMP4_2. If I don't vote, others will do a good job of picking the right local candidates

VCOMP5_2. I know a great deal about each local candidate's policy positions, experience, and other qualities

VCOMP6_2. It is easy for me to figure out which local candidates to vote for

[REVERSE SCALE, RESPONSE OPTION]

[RANDOMLY REVERSE SCALE]

01 Strongly disagree

02 Disagree

03 Neither agree nor disagree

04 Agree

05 Strongly agree

DEMOCRACY POLICY III (3 WAVE TRACK)

* Note: Fill in the policy areas based on real world issues.

* Note: Perhaps break up the items in 4s.

Base: All Respondents

DEMPOLICYa1. Below are a series of public issues. We would like you to tell us, in your opinion, which "policy area" best fits each issue.

[RANDOMIZE GRID ITEMS]

DEMPOLICYa1. Policies that ban the use of certain words in government programs

DEMPOLICYa2. Policies that promote bail reform

DEMPOLICYa3. Policies that make it easier to vote in elections

DEMPOLICYa4. Policies that create job training programs for diverse communities

DEMPOLICYa5. Policies that require gender neutral bathrooms

DEMPOLICYa6. Policies that address racial inequality in voting districts

DEMPOLICYa7. Policies that restrict hair styles in schools

DEMPOLICYa8. Policies that prevent fraud in public benefits programs

[RANDOMIZE, RESPONSE OPTIONS]

01 Economic policy

02 National security policy

- 03 Criminal justice policy
 - 04 Democracy policy
 - 05 Social welfare policy
 - 06 Don't know [ANCHOR]
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CITIZENSHIP SELF-EFFICACY

Base: All Respondents

How capable do you think you would be at each of the following?

[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]

CITZEFF1A. Researching nonpartisan information about a controversial political or social issue.

CITZEFF1B. Organizing a group of people to achieve changes that help others.

CITZEFF1C. Discussing a newspaper article about a conflict between countries.

CITZEFF1D. Listening to people who hold beliefs that are different than mine.

RESPONSE OPTIONS, REVERSE SCALE:

Not at all capable

Not very capable

Capable

Extremely capable

Not sure [ANCHOR]

DEMOCRACY TROUBLES

Base: All Respondents

Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

[RANDOMIZE GRID ITEMS]

TROUBDEMOA. A time will come when patriotic Americans have to take the law into their own hands.

TROUBDEMOB. The main trouble with democracy is that most people don't really know what's best for them.

Base: 1/3 Respondents - RESPONDENTS RANDOMLY SEE 1 ITEM BELOW

Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

TROUBDEMOC1. Strong leaders sometimes have to bend the rules in order to get things done. (1/3 of sample)

TROUBDEMOC2. Strong leaders sometimes have to break the rules in order to get things done. (1/3 of sample)

TROUBDEMOC3. Strong leaders sometimes have to follow the rules in order to get things done. (1/3 of sample)

Base: 1/3 Respondents RESPONDENTS RANDOMLY SEE 1 ITEM BELOW

TROUBDEMOD1. The United States is on the brink of a new civil war. (1/3 of sample)

TROUBDEMOD2. The United States is on the brink of a new civil war over race and ethnicity. (1/3 of sample)

TROUBDEMOD3. The United States is on the brink of a new civil war over who's a real American. (1/3 of sample)

Base: 1/4 Respondents RESPONDENTS RANDOMLY SEE 1 ITEM BELOW

TROUBDEMOE1. I support the use of violence to ensure my party wins. (1/4 of sample)

TROUBDEMOE2. I support the use of violence to ensure my party wins control of congress. (1/4 of sample)

TROUBDEMOE3. I support the use of violence to ensure my party wins control of our state legislature. (1/4 of sample)

TROUBDEMOE4. I support the use of violence to ensure my party wins the presidency. (1/4 of sample)

[RANDOMLY REVERSE SCALE]

- 01 Strongly disagree
 - 02 Disagree
 - 03 Neither agree nor disagree
 - 04 Agree
 - 05 Strongly agree
-

MERIT BELIEFS

Base: All Respondents

Merit. Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

[RANDOMIZE GRID ITEMS]

MERIT1. I am a good judge of whether another person needs help

MERIT2. Everyone has it in their own power to succeed

MERIT3. Society suffers when people cannot meet their own basic needs

[RANDOMLY REVERSE SCALE]

- 01 Strongly disagree
- 02 Disagree
- 03 Neither agree nor disagree
- 04 Agree
- 05 Strongly agree

Base: 1/7 of Respondents – RESPONDENTS RANDOMLY SEE 1 ITEM BELOW

Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with this statement.

1. MERIT4a. Public policies that provide **economic assistance** to **people** make them too dependent on public support.
2. MERIT4b. Public policies that provide **economic assistance** to **farmers** make them too dependent on public support.
3. MERIT4c. Public policies that provide **economic assistance** to **military veterans** make them too dependent on public support.
4. MERIT4d. Public policies that provide **economic assistance** to **rural communities** make them too dependent on public support.
5. MERIT4e. Public policies that provide **economic assistance** to **people who are unemployed** make them too dependent on public support.
6. MERIT4f. Public policies that provide **economic assistance** to **senior citizens** make them too dependent on public support.
7. MERIT4g. Public policies that provide **economic assistance** to **racial-ethnic minorities** make them too dependent on public support.

[REVERSE SCALE, HOLD ORDER FOR EACH SCREEN, RESPONSE OPTIONS]

- 05 Strongly agree
- 04 Agree
- 03 Neither agree or disagree
- 02 Disagree
- 01 Strongly disagree

RACIAL PREJUDICE

Base: Non-Hispanic White Respondents (ppethm=1) and 50% of all Other Racial Groups who are not Non-Hispanic Whites (ppethm=3, 4 or 5)

WRACEPRE1. We are interested in an honest assessment of your feelings about African Americans.

Please place yourself on a zero-to-ten scale, where “0” means that you are NOT prejudiced against African Americans at all and where “10” means that you are EXTREMELY prejudiced against African Americans. Which number would you choose to describe yourself? You can choose any number between zero and ten.

[DO NOT ROTATE]

- 0 -Not prejudiced at all
- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6
- 7
- 8
- 9
- 10 – Extremely prejudiced

Base: Non-Hispanic White Respondents (ppethm=1) and 50% of all Other Racial Groups who are not Non-Hispanic Whites (ppethm=,3, 4 or 5)

WRACEPRE2. Now, think for a moment about African Americans in the area where you live.

Use the same zero-to-ten scale, where “0” means that they are NOT prejudiced against White people at all and where “10” means that they are EXTREMELY prejudiced against White people. Which number would you choose to describe African Americans in the area where you live? You can choose any number between zero and ten.

[DO NOT ROTATE]

0 -Not prejudiced at all

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6
- 7
- 8
- 9

10 – Extremely prejudiced

Base: Non-Hispanic Black/African Americans or Hispanic Respondents (ppethm=2 or 4) and 50% of all Other Racial Groups (ppethm=3, or 5)

BRACEPRE1. We are interested in an honest assessment of your feelings about White people.

Please place yourself on a zero-to-ten scale, where “0” means that you are NOT prejudiced against White people at all and where “10” means that you are EXTREMELY prejudiced against White people. Which number would you choose to describe yourself? You can choose any number between zero and ten.

[DO NOT ROTATE]

0 -Not prejudiced at all

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6
- 7
- 8
- 9

10 – Extremely prejudiced

Base: Non-Hispanic Black/African Americans or Hispanic Respondents (ppethm=2 or 4) and 50% of all Other Racial Groups (ppethm=3, or 5)

BRACEPRE2. Now, think for a moment about White people in the area where you live.

Use the same zero-to-ten scale, where “0” means that they are NOT prejudiced against African Americans at all and where “10” means that they are EXTREMELY prejudiced against African Americans. Which number would you choose to describe White people in the area where you live? You can choose any number between zero and ten.

[DO NOT ROTATE]

0 -Not prejudiced at all

1

2

3

4

5

6

7

8

9

10 – Extremely prejudiced

RACIAL RESENTMENT

* filter the sample based on race.

WHITES' RESENTMENT TOWARD AFRICAN AMERICANS

Base: White, non-Hispanic respondents (ppethm=1) and 50% of all other racial ethnic groups (ppethm=3-5). DO NOT ASK OR BLACK OR AFRICAN AMERICAN RESPONDENTS.

WRTA. Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

[RANDOMIZE GRID ITEMS]

WRTA1. I resent any special considerations that Africans Americans receive because it's unfair to other Americans.

WRTA2. For African Americans to succeed, they need to stop using past racism and slavery as excuses.

WRTA3. Special considerations for African Americans place me at an unfair disadvantage because I have done nothing to harm them.

WRTA4. African Americans bring up race only when they need to make an excuse for their failure.

[RANDOMLY REVERSE SCALE]

01 Strongly disagree

02 Disagree

03 Neither agree nor disagree

04 Agree

05 Strongly agree

AFRICAN AMERICANS' RESENTMENT TOWARD WHITES

Base: Base: Non-Hispanic Black or African Americans Respondents (ppthem=2) and 50% of all Other Racial Groups (ppethm=3-5). DO NOT ASK OF Non-Hispanic Whites

AARTW. Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

[RANDOMIZE GRID ITEMS]

AARTW1. I resent when Whites deny the existence of racial discrimination.

AARTW2. Whites get away with offenses that African Americans would never get away with.

AARTW3. Whites do not go to great lengths to understand the problems African Americans face.

AARTW4. Even when African Americans work hard to succeed, Whites still view them in lesser terms.

[RANDOMLY REVERSE SCALE]

- 01 Strongly disagree
 - 02 Disagree
 - 03 Neither agree nor disagree
 - 04 Agree
 - 05 Strongly agree
-

SOCIAL DOMINANCE ORIENTATION.

Base: All Respondents

There are many kinds of groups in the world: men and women, ethnic and religious groups, nationalities, political factions. How much do you agree or disagree with each idea about groups in general?

[RANDOMIZE GRID ITEMS]

- A. An ideal society requires some groups to be on top and others to be on the bottom.
- B. Some groups of people are simply inferior to other groups.
- C. No one group should be dominant in society.
- D. Groups at the bottom are always just as deserving as groups at the top.

[RANDOMLY REVERSE SCALE]

- 01 Strongly disagree
 - 02 Disagree
 - 03 Neither agree nor disagree
 - 04 Agree
 - 05 Strongly agree
-

STATUS QUO THREAT AND JUST-WORLD BELIEFS

Base: All Respondents

WD3. Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

[RANDOMIZE GRID ITEMS]

WD3A. The American way of life is under attack.

WD3B. Things are really out of control in the United States.

WD3C. The United States of the past is a much better place than the United States of the future.

UND381_1. Society is set up so that people usually get what they deserve.

UND381_3. Everyone has a fair shot at wealth and happiness if they play by the rules.

UND381_2. We must work hard to defend and preserve the way things are.

WD3D. The United States is changing too fast.

[RANDOMLY REVERSE SCALE]

01 Strongly disagree

02 Disagree

03 Neither agree nor disagree

04 Agree

05 Strongly agree

Base: Randomize to 1/2 Respondents N=1,500

KNOWCIV1_MC. In the case of a tied vote in the U.S. Senate, is the deciding vote cast by...

[RANDOMIZE LIST]

The vice president

The president

The Senate majority leader

The Senate parliamentarian

Base: Randomize to 1/2 Respondents N=1,500

KNOWCIV1_TF. In the case of a tied vote in the U.S. Senate, the deciding vote cast by the vice president.

True

False

Base: Randomize to 1/2 Respondents N=1,500

KNOWCIV2_MC. As you may know, a filibuster in the U.S. Senate can be used to prevent legislation from coming to a vote. Of the 100 U.S. senators, how many votes are needed to end a filibuster?

[RANDOMLY REVERSE SCALE]

25

50

51

60

70

Base: Randomize to 1/2 Respondents N=1,500

KNOWCIV2_TF. As you may know, a filibuster in the U.S. Senate can be used to prevent legislation from coming to a vote. Of the 100 U.S. senators, 60 votes are needed to end a filibuster.

True
False

Base: Randomize to 1/2 Respondents N=1,500

KNOWCIV3_MC. Which right isn't guaranteed in the First Amendment?

[RANDOMIZE LIST]

Freedom of speech
Freedom of assembly
Freedom of press
Freedom of voting

Base: Randomize to 1/2 Respondents N=1,500

KNOWCIV3_TF. The freedom to vote is a right guaranteed in the First Amendment.

True
False

Base: Randomize to 1/2 Respondents N=1,500

KNOWCIV4_MC. Which of these is a power held by the president?

A. Sign or veto bills
B. Declare war
C. Ratify treaties
D. Make changes to taxes

Base: Randomize to 1/2 Respondents N=1,500

KNOWCIV4_TF. Making changes to taxes is a power held by the president?

True
False

Base: Randomize to 1/2 Respondents N=1,500

KNOWCIV5_MC. According to the Declaration of Independence, what is the primary purpose of government?

A. To provide an organized system of rule.
B. To secure the unalienable rights of its citizens.
C. To ensure all citizens are skilled and productive.
D. To take responsibility for managing the lives of its citizens.

Base: Randomize to 1/2 Respondents N=1,500

KNOWCIV5_TF. According to the Declaration of Independence, the primary purpose of the government is to provide an organized system of rule.

True
False

Base: All Respondents

KNOWCIV6_MC. The institution of slavery was a key issue that caused which war in the United States?

- A. The Spanish-American War
- B. The American Revolutionary War
- C. The Civil War
- D. World War I

Base: Randomize to 1/2 Respondents N=1,500

KNOWCIV6_TF. The institution of slavery was a key issue that caused the American Revolutionary War in the United States?

True
False

AMERICAN SYSTEMS

Base: All Respondents

COMP_ECON. We are interested in which statement comes closer to your views, even if neither is exactly right.

[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]

- 01 The economic system in this country unfairly favors powerful interests
- 02 The economic system in this country is generally fair to most Americans

Base: All Respondents

COMP_GOVT. We are interested in which statement comes closer to your views, even if neither is exactly right.

[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]

- 01 Government is almost always wasteful and inefficient
- 02 Government often does a better job than people give it credit for

Base: All Respondents

COMP_JURY. We are interested in which statement comes closer to your views, even if neither is exactly right.

[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]

- 01 It is extremely important for everyone to participate in jury duty when called upon
- 02 Even if important, participating in jury duty is mostly a waste of time

Base: All Respondents

ATALENTS1. In your view, has America been successful more because of its [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE] or more because of its [ITEM]?

[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]

- 01 Ability to change
- 02 Reliance on long-standing principles

Base: All Respondents

ATALENTS2. In your view, has America been successful more because of its [RANDOMLY ROTATE “democratic system of government” or more because of its “free market system of business?” AND “free market system of business or more because of its democratic system of government?”]

[HOLD ORDER FROM QUESTION TEXT]

- 01 Democratic system of government
- 02 Free-market system of business

Base: All Respondents

ATALENTS3. In your view, has America been successful more because of its [RANDOMLY ROTATE “freedoms afforded in the Constitution or more because of its ability to constrain some freedoms for the greater good?” AND “ability to constrain some freedoms for the greater good or more because of its freedoms afforded in the Constitution?”]

[HOLD ORDER FROM QUESTION TEXT]

- 01 Freedoms afforded in the Constitution
- 02 Ability to constrain some freedoms for the greater good

ALLOCATION OF A DOLLAR (3 WAVE TRACK)

DOV_Dollar: Randomly assign respondents to one of following:

- 1=Federal (Form A)**
- 2=State (Form B)**
- 3=Local (Form C)**

Base: 1/3 to Respondents

Form A: “the United States” / “the federal”

DEMO_INVEST_Fed: Assume that every eligible voter in the U.S. was provided \$100 “democracy policy dollars” to invest in strengthening democracy in the United States.

How would you allocate your \$100 to the different items that support democracy for the federal government? (the total amount must sum to \$100):

AREAS:

- a. Making it easier to vote [SHORT BOX]
- b. Programs that provide greater access to elected officials [SHORT BOX]
- c. Civic learning programs for citizens that provide a common understanding about democracy [SHORT BOX]
- d. Better general education to improve understanding of public policy issues [SHORT BOX]
- e. Activities that build trust between community organization and government [SHORT BOX]
- f. Charitable support for immigrants arriving in the country with very little resources [SHORT BOX]
- g. Incentives for participation in jury duty [SHORT BOX]
- h. Funding for public radio and television journalism [SHORT BOX]
- i. Programs that bring together those with different perspectives [SHORT BOX]
- j. Amount to keep for myself [SHORT BOX]

Note: Total amount of investment should be cumulative and visible to the respondent; consider a graphic tool that aids the respondent.

Base: 1/3 to Respondents

* Note: Randomize LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT

Form B: “your state” / “your state”

DEMO_INVEST_State: Assume that every eligible voter in the U.S. was provided \$100 “democracy policy dollars” to invest in strengthening democracy in your state.

How would you allocate your \$100 to the different items that support democracy for your state government? (the total amount must sum to \$100):

AREAS:

- a. Making it easier to vote [SHORT BOX]
- b. Programs that provide greater access to elected officials [SHORT BOX]
- c. Civic learning programs for citizens that provide a common understanding about democracy [SHORT BOX]
- d. Better general education to improve understanding of public policy issues [SHORT BOX]
- e. Activities that build trust between community organization and government [SHORT BOX]
- f. Charitable support for immigrants arriving in the country with very little resources [SHORT BOX]
- g. Incentives for participation in jury duty [SHORT BOX]
- h. Funding for public radio and television journalism [SHORT BOX]
- i. Programs that bring together those with different perspectives [SHORT BOX]
- j. Amount to keep for myself [SHORT BOX]

Note: Total amount of investment should be cumulative and visible to the respondent; consider a graphic tool that aids the respondent.

Base: 1/3 to Respondents

* Note: Randomize LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT

Form C: “your local community” / “your local”

DEMO_INVEST_Local: Assume that every eligible voter in the U.S. was provided \$100 “democracy policy dollars” to invest in strengthening democracy in your local community.

How would you allocate your \$100 to the different items that support democracy for your local government? (the total amount must sum to \$100):

AREAS:

- a. Making it easier to vote [SHORT BOX]
- b. Programs that provide greater access to elected officials [SHORT BOX]
- c. Civic learning programs for citizens that provide a common understanding about democracy [SHORT BOX]
- d. Better general education to improve understanding of public policy issues [SHORT BOX]
- e. Activities that build trust between community organization and government [SHORT BOX]
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- j. Amount to keep for myself [SHORT BOX]

Note: Total amount of investment should be cumulative and visible to the respondent; consider a graphic tool that aids the respondent.

BASE: ALL RESPONDENTS

The next set of questions are to make sure our information is up to date, even though you may have answered some of the questions before.

BASE: ALL RESPONDENTS

NPORS PID1. In politics today, do you consider yourself a...

[RANDOMIZE]

Democrat

Republican

Independent

Something else

BASE: INDEPENDENT/SOMETHING ELSE

NPORS PID2. As of today do you lean more to...

[RANDOMIZE]

The Democratic Party

The Republican Party

DOV_PID5

Republican – Q901=1

Lean Republican Q904=1

Not lean/refused Q901=3,4 or ref AND Q904 ref

Lean Democrat Q904=2

Democrat Q901=2