

# **Psychology of American Democracy Wave 3 Survey**

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A survey of the American general population (ages 18+)

Interview dates: February 6-19, 2025

Number of interviews: 2,988

Margin of error: +/- 1.9 percentage points at the 95% confidence level for all respondents

NOTE: All results show percentages among all respondents, unless otherwise labeled. Reduced bases are unweighted values.

NOTE: \* = less than 0.5%, - = no respondents, N/A = not applicable

#### **Annotated Questionnaire:**

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

	Total (N=2,988)
0 - Extremely negative (Unhappy)	2%
1	1%
2	2%
3 - Somewhat negative (Unhappy)	9%
4	4%
5 - Neither	10%
6	6%
7 - Somewhat positive (Happy)	23%
8	20%
9	12%
10 - Extremely positive (Happy)	9%
Top 2 box (net)	22%
Bottom 2 box (net)	3%
Skipped	0%





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

	Total (N=2,988)
0 - Not at all worthwhile	1%
1	1%
2	1%
3 - Not very worthwhile	3%
4	2%
5 - Neither	8%
6	4%
7 - Somewhat worthwhile	22%
8	21%
9	16%
10 - Completely worthwhile	21%
Top 2 box (net)	36%
Bottom 2 box (net)	2%
Skipped	0%

HUMFL3\_1. I understand my purpose in life. - Please read the statements below. For each one, please tell us whether the statement is not true of you at all or completely true of you at all.

	Total (N=2,988)
0 - Not true of me	2%
1	1%
2	1%
3 - Not very true of me	5%
4	2%
5 - Neither	13%
6	6%
7 - Somewhat true of me	22%
8	15%
9	13%
10 - Completely true of me	20%
Top 2 box (net)	33%
Bottom 2 box (net)	3%
Skipped	1%





HUMFL3\_2. Even in difficult and challenging situations I always act to promote good in all circumstances. - Please read the statements below. For each one, please tell us whether the statement is not true of you at all or completely true of you at all.

	Total (N=2,988)
0 - Not true of me	1%
1	0%
2	1%
3 - Not very true of me	2%
4	1%
5 - Neither	8%
6	8%
7 - Somewhat true of me	26%
8	20%
9	15%
10 - Completely true of me	17%
Top 2 box (net)	32%
Bottom 2 box (net)	1%
Skipped	1%

HUMFL3\_3. I am always able to give up some happiness now for greater happiness later. - Please read the statements below. For each one, please tell us whether the statement is not true of you at all or completely true of you at all.

	Total (N=2,988)
0 - Not true of me	1%
1	0%
2	1%
3 - Not very true of me	3%
4	1%
5 - Neither	13%
6	7%
7 - Somewhat true of me	32%
8	16%
9	11%
10 - Completely true of me	12%
Top 2 box (net)	24%
Bottom 2 box (net)	2%
Skipped	1%





HUMFL6\_1. Being able to meet normal monthly living expenses - Please read the statements below. Please tell us how often you worry about...?

	Total (N=2,988)
0 - Worry all of the time	4%
1	1%
2	1%
3 - Worry a lot of the time	6%
4	3%
5 - Neither	7%
6	5%
7 - Worry some of the time	18%
8	13%
9	14%
10 - Do not ever worry	27%
Top 2 box (net)	42%
Bottom 2 box (net)	5%
Skipped	1%

HUMFL6\_2. Safety, food, or housing - Please read the statements below. Please tell us how often you worry about...?

	Total (N=2,988)
0 - Worry all of the time	3%
1	1%
2	1%
3 - Worry a lot of the time	4%
4	3%
5 - Neither	8%
6	4%
7 - Worry some of the time	16%
8	14%
9	16%
10 - Do not ever worry	28%
Top 2 box (net)	44%
Bottom 2 box (net)	4%
Skipped	1%





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?

	Total (N=2,988)
1 - Extremely worried	19%
2	4%
3 - Worried	15%
4	6%
5 - Neither hopeful nor worried	13%
6	4%
7 - Hopeful	17%
8	6%
9	6%
10 - Extremely hopeful	11%
Top 2 box (net)	17%
Bottom 2 box (net)	23%
Skipped	0%

BESTDAYS. In general, do you think America's best days are ahead of us or behind us?

	Total (N=2,988)
America's best days are behind us	51%
America's best days are ahead of us	45%
Skipped	3%

Media\_1. FOX News - How often, if at all, do you get news or information from the following sources?

	Total (N=2,988)
Never	48%
Rarely	20%
Sometimes	16%
Fairly often	7%
Every day	9%
Never/Rarely (net)	68%
Fairly often/Every Day (net)	15%
Skipped	0%





Media\_2. CNN or MSNBC - How often, if at all, do you get news or information from the following sources?

	Total (N=2,988)
Never	42%
Rarely	26%
Sometimes	20%
Fairly often	6%
Every day	4%
Never/Rarely (net)	68%
Fairly often/Every Day (net)	11%
Skipped	1%

Media\_3. ABC, CBS, or NBC News - How often, if at all, do you get news or information from the following sources?

	Total (N=2,988)
Never	29%
Rarely	22%
Sometimes	25%
Fairly often	12%
Every day	11%
Never/Rarely (net)	51%
Fairly often/Every Day (net)	23%
Skipped	1%

Media\_4. New York Times, Washington Post, Wall Street Journal, or USA Today - How often, if at all, do you get news or information from the following sources?

	Total (N=2,988)
Never	48%
Rarely	23%
Sometimes	17%
Fairly often	7%
Every day	5%
Never/Rarely (net)	71%
Fairly often/Every Day (net)	12%
Skipped	1%





Media\_5. Conservative online news (e.g., Breitbart, Daily Caller, Newsmax, Instapundit) - How often, if at all, do you get news or information from the following sources?

	Total (N=2,988)
Never	46%
Rarely	23%
Sometimes	17%
Fairly often	7%
Every day	6%
Never/Rarely (net)	68%
Fairly often/Every Day (net)	13%
Skipped	1%

Media\_6. Digital or online news - How often, if at all, do you get news or information from the following sources?

	Total (N=2,988)
Never	25%
Rarely	19%
Sometimes	22%
Fairly often	16%
Every day	18%
Never/Rarely (net)	44%
Fairly often/Every Day (net)	33%
Skipped	1%

Media\_7. Your local newspaper - How often, if at all, do you get news or information from the following sources?

	Total (N=2,988)
Never	37%
Rarely	23%
Sometimes	22%
Fairly often	10%
Every day	7%
Never/Rarely (net)	59%
Fairly often/Every Day (net)	18%
Skipped	1%





Fed\_Respect. How much do you respect those who serve in the FEDERAL government?

	Total (N=1,010)
No respect at all	11%
A little respect	38%
A fair amount of respect	39%
A great deal of respect	11%
No/A little respect (net)	49%
A fair amount/A great deal of respect (net)	50%
Skipped	1%

State\_Respect. How much do you respect those who serve in your STATE government?

	Total (N=993)
No respect at all	14%
A little respect	31%
A fair amount of respect	44%
A great deal of respect	10%
No/A little respect (net)	45%
A fair amount/A great deal of respect (net)	53%
Skipped	2%

Local\_Respect. How much do you respect those who serve in your LOCAL government?

	Total (N=985)
No respect at all	8%
A little respect	31%
A fair amount of respect	47%
A great deal of respect	12%
No/A little respect (net)	39%
A fair amount/A great deal of respect (net)	60%
Skipped	1%





Fed\_Trust. How much do you trust the FEDERAL government to do what is right?

	Total (N=977)
No trust at all	29%
A little trust	40%
A fair amount	24%
A great deal of trust	5%
No trust at all/A little trust (net)	69%
A fair amount/A great deal of trust (net)	29%
Skipped	2%

State\_Trust. How much do you trust your STATE government to do what is right?

	Total (N=1,014)
No trust at all	21%
A little trust	34%
A fair amount	35%
A great deal of trust	8%
No trust at all/A little trust (net)	55%
A fair amount/A great deal of trust (net)	44%
Skipped	2%

Local\_Trust. How much do you trust your LOCAL government to do what is right?

	Total (N=997)
No trust at all	16%
A little trust	38%
A fair amount	37%
A great deal of trust	8%
No trust at all/A little trust (net)	55%
A fair amount/A great deal of trust (net)	45%
Skipped	0%





POLEFFA1\_1. Public officials don't care about what people like me think. - Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=2,988)
Strongly disagree	2%
Disagree	13%
Neither agree nor disagree	33%
Agree	33%
Strongly agree	17%
Disagree (net)	15%
Agree (net)	51%
Skipped	1%

POLEFFA1\_2. I have access to all the information I need to participate in our democracy with confidence.

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

	Total (N=2,988)
Strongly disagree	7%
Disagree	15%
Neither agree nor disagree	33%
Agree	34%
Strongly agree	10%
Disagree (net)	21%
Agree (net)	44%
Skipped	1%

POLINT\_BASE. How much interest would you say you have in government and politics?

	Total (N=740)
A great deal of interest	20%
A fair amount of interest	36%
Only a little interest	32%
No interest at all	11%
A Great/A fair amount of interest (net)	56%
Only a little/No interest at all (net)	43%
Skipped	1%





POLINT\_LMORE. How much interest would you say you have in learning more about government and politics?

	Total (N=740)
A great deal of interest	13%
A fair amount of interest	35%
Only a little interest	32%
No interest at all	19%
A Great/A fair amount of interest (net)	49%
Only a little/No interest at all (net)	51%
Skipped	1%

POLINT\_PART. How much interest would you say you have in participating more in government and politics?

	Total (N=754)
A great deal of interest	5%
A fair amount of interest	21%
Only a little interest	34%
No interest at all	40%
A Great/A fair amount of interest (net)	26%
Only a little/No interest at all (net)	74%
Skipped	0%

POLINT\_INFO. How much interest would you say you have in receiving regular information reports from subject matter experts about government and politics?

	Total (N=754)
A great deal of interest	12%
A fair amount of interest	37%
Only a little interest	33%
No interest at all	18%
A Great/A fair amount of interest (net)	48%
Only a little/No interest at all (net)	50%
Skipped	1%





UDEMOCA\_1. Government narrows the gap between the rich and the poor. - Below is a list of different attributes for American democracy. Please indicate how important each one is for your own thoughts about democracy.

	Total (N=2,988)
Not at all important for democracy	8%
Low importance for democracy	11%
Neutral	34%
Very important for democracy	25%
Extremely important democracy	21%
Not at all/Low importance for democracy (net)	19%
Very/Extremely important for democracy (net)	45%
Skipped	2%

UDEMOCA\_2. People choose the government leaders in free and fair elections - Below is a list of different attributes for American democracy. Please indicate how important each one is for your own thoughts about democracy.

	Total (N=2,988)
Not at all important for democracy	2%
Low importance for democracy	2%
Neutral	17%
Very important for democracy	20%
Extremely important democracy	58%
Not at all/Low importance for democracy (net)	4%
Very/Extremely important for democracy (net)	78%
Skipped	1%

UDEMOCA\_3. Government does not waste any public money. - Below is a list of different attributes for American democracy. Please indicate how important each one is for your own thoughts about democracy.

	Total (N=2,988)
Not at all important for democracy	2%
Low importance for democracy	5%
Neutral	22%
Very important for democracy	32%
Extremely important democracy	37%
Not at all/Low importance for democracy (net)	7%
Very/Extremely important for democracy (net)	70%
Skipped	1%





UDEMOCA\_4. People are free to express their political views without punishment from the government. - Below is a list of different attributes for American democracy. Please indicate how important each one is for your own thoughts about democracy.

	Total (N=2,988)
Not at all important for democracy	2%
Low importance for democracy	3%
Neutral	18%
Very important for democracy	26%
Extremely important democracy	50%
Not at all/Low importance for democracy (net)	4%
Very/Extremely important for democracy (net)	76%
Skipped	1%

UDEMOCB\_1. Elected representatives have oversight over the government. - Below is a list of different attributes for American democracy. Please indicate how important each one is for your own thoughts about democracy.

	Total (N=2,988)
Not at all important for democracy	2%
Low importance for democracy	4%
Neutral	30%
Very important for democracy	38%
Extremely important democracy	24%
Not at all/Low importance for democracy (net)	6%
Very/Extremely important for democracy (net)	62%
Skipped	2%





UDEMOCB\_2. Basic necessities, like food, clothes and shelter are provided for all. - Below is a list of different attributes for American democracy. Please indicate how important each one is for your own thoughts about democracy.

	Total (N=2,988)
Not at all important for democracy	7%
Low importance for democracy	11%
Neutral	30%
Very important for democracy	27%
Extremely important democracy	24%
Not at all/Low importance for democracy (net)	18%
Very/Extremely important for democracy (net)	51%
Skipped	2%

UDEMOCB\_3. People are free to organize political groups. - Below is a list of different attributes for American democracy. Please indicate how important each one is for your own thoughts about democracy.

	Total (N=2,988)
Not at all important for democracy	2%
Low importance for democracy	4%
Neutral	27%
Very important for democracy	33%
Extremely important democracy	33%
Not at all/Low importance for democracy (net)	6%
Very/Extremely important for democracy (net)	65%
Skipped	2%





UDEMOCB\_4. Government provides the public with quality public services. - Below is a list of different attributes for American democracy. Please indicate how important each one is for your own thoughts about democracy.

	Total (N=2,988)
Not at all important for democracy	2%
Low importance for democracy	5%
Neutral	23%
Very important for democracy	38%
Extremely important democracy	30%
Not at all/Low importance for democracy (net)	7%
Very/Extremely important for democracy (net)	68%
Skipped	2%

UDEMOCC\_1. Government ensures law and order. - Below is a list of different attributes for American democracy. Please indicate how important each one is for your own thoughts about democracy.

	Total (N=2,988)
Not at all important for democracy	1%
Low importance for democracy	2%
Neutral	19%
Very important for democracy	35%
Extremely important democracy	41%
Not at all/Low importance for democracy (net)	4%
Very/Extremely important for democracy (net)	76%
Skipped	2%





UDEMOCC\_2. The media are free to criticize the government. - Below is a list of different attributes for American democracy. Please indicate how important each one is for your own thoughts about democracy.

	Total (N=2,988)
Not at all important for democracy	3%
Low importance for democracy	6%
Neutral	24%
Very important for democracy	26%
Extremely important democracy	39%
Not at all/Low importance for democracy (net)	9%
Very/Extremely important for democracy (net)	65%
Skipped	2%

UDEMOCC\_3. Government ensures job opportunities for all. - Below is a list of different attributes for American democracy. Please indicate how important each one is for your own thoughts about democracy.

	Total (N=2,988)
Not at all important for democracy	6%
Low importance for democracy	10%
Neutral	32%
Very important for democracy	29%
Extremely important democracy	21%
Not at all/Low importance for democracy (net)	16%
Very/Extremely important for democracy (net)	50%
Skipped	2%





UDEMOCC\_4. Multiple political parties compete fairly in elections. - Below is a list of different attributes for American democracy. Please indicate how important each one is for your own thoughts about democracy.

	Total (N=2,988)
Not at all important for democracy	2%
Low importance for democracy	3%
Neutral	19%
Very important for democracy	30%
Extremely important democracy	46%
Not at all/Low importance for democracy (net)	4%
Very/Extremely important for democracy (net)	75%
Skipped	2%

UDEMOCD\_1. People have the freedom to take part in protests and demonstrations. - Below is a list of different attributes for American democracy. Please indicate how important each one is for your own thoughts about democracy.

	Total (N=2,988)
Not at all important for democracy	2%
Low importance for democracy	4%
Neutral	23%
Very important for democracy	30%
Extremely important democracy	39%
Not at all/Low importance for democracy (net)	6%
Very/Extremely important for democracy (net)	69%
Skipped	2%





UDEMOCD\_2. Politics is free of corruption. - Below is a list of different attributes for American democracy. Please indicate how important each one is for your own thoughts about democracy.

	Total (N=2,988)
Not at all important for democracy	1%
Low importance for democracy	2%
Neutral	14%
Very important for democracy	20%
Extremely important democracy	60%
Not at all/Low importance for democracy (net)	4%
Very/Extremely important for democracy (net)	80%
Skipped	2%

UDEMOCD\_3. The courts protect the ordinary people from the abuse of government power. - Below is a list of different attributes for American democracy. Please indicate how important each one is for your own thoughts about democracy.

	Total (N=2,988)
Not at all important for democracy	1%
Low importance for democracy	2%
Neutral	16%
Very important for democracy	28%
Extremely important democracy	50%
Not at all/Low importance for democracy (net)	3%
Very/Extremely important for democracy (net)	79%
Skipped	2%





UDEMOCD\_4. People receive public assistance if they are unable to work. - Below is a list of different attributes for American democracy. Please indicate how important each one is for your own thoughts about democracy.

	Total (N=2,988)
Not at all important for democracy	5%
Low importance for democracy	13%
Neutral	34%
Very important for democracy	29%
Extremely important democracy	18%
Not at all/Low importance for democracy (net)	18%
Very/Extremely important for democracy (net)	47%
Skipped	2%

Fed\_Servants\_1. Federal government employees are mostly incompetent at their jobs. - Thinking about the people who work for the federal government, please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=1,054)
Completely agree	7%
Mostly agree	15%
Neutral	36%
Mostly disagree	27%
Completely disagree	14%
Agree (net)	22%
Disagree (net)	41%
Skipped	2%





Fed\_Servants\_2. I believe that most federal government employees are committed to helping people like me. - Thinking about the people who work for the federal government, please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=1,054)
Completely agree	7%
Mostly agree	24%
Neutral	38%
Mostly disagree	19%
Completely disagree	10%
Agree (net)	31%
Disagree (net)	29%
Skipped	2%

Fed\_Servants\_3. Newly elected leaders should have the power to replace federal government employees when they officially take office. - Thinking about the people who work for the federal government, please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=1,054)
Completely agree	11%
Mostly agree	20%
Neutral	31%
Mostly disagree	22%
Completely disagree	15%
Agree (net)	30%
Disagree (net)	37%
Skipped	2%





Fed\_Servants\_4. Offering 'thanks' to federal government employees for their public service helps democracy. - Thinking about the people who work for the federal government, please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=1,054)
Completely agree	8%
Mostly agree	21%
Neutral	45%
Mostly disagree	13%
Completely disagree	12%
Agree (net)	29%
Disagree (net)	25%
Skipped	2%

State\_Servants\_1. State government employees are mostly incompetent at their jobs. - Thinking about the people who work for the state government, please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=952)
Completely agree	5%
Mostly agree	13%
Neutral	40%
Mostly disagree	28%
Completely disagree	12%
Agree (net)	18%
Disagree (net)	40%
Skipped	2%





State\_Servants\_2. I believe that most state government employees are committed to helping people like me. - Thinking about the people who work for the state government, please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=952)
Completely agree	5%
Mostly agree	29%
Neutral	37%
Mostly disagree	18%
Completely disagree	8%
Agree (net)	35%
Disagree (net)	26%
Skipped	2%

State\_Servants\_3. Newly elected leaders should have the power to replace state government employees when they officially take office. - Thinking about the people who work for the state government how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=952)
Completely agree	6%
Mostly agree	19%
Neutral	39%
Mostly disagree	21%
Completely disagree	13%
Agree (net)	25%
Disagree (net)	35%
Skipped	2%





State\_Servants\_4. Offering 'thanks' to state government employees for their public service helps democracy. - Thinking about the people who work for the state government, please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=952)
Completely agree	7%
Mostly agree	24%
Neutral	43%
Mostly disagree	13%
Completely disagree	11%
Agree (net)	31%
Disagree (net)	24%
Skipped	2%

Local\_Servants\_1. Local government employees are mostly incompetent at their jobs. - Thinking about the people who work for the local government, please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=982)
Completely agree	4%
Mostly agree	15%
Neutral	39%
Mostly disagree	31%
Completely disagree	10%
Agree (net)	18%
Disagree (net)	40%
Skipped	2%





Local\_Servants\_2. I believe that most local government employees are committed to helping people like me. - Thinking about the people who work for the local government, please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=982)
Completely agree	7%
Mostly agree	30%
Neutral	37%
Mostly disagree	17%
Completely disagree	7%
Agree (net)	37%
Disagree (net)	24%
Skipped	2%

Local\_Servants\_3. Newly elected leaders should have the power to replace local government employees when they officially take office. - Thinking about the people who work for the local government how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=982)
Completely agree	6%
Mostly agree	18%
Neutral	40%
Mostly disagree	22%
Completely disagree	13%
Agree (net)	24%
Disagree (net)	35%
Skipped	2%





Local\_Servants\_4. Offering 'thanks' to local government employees for their public service helps democracy. - Thinking about the people who work for the local government, please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=982)
Completely agree	9%
Mostly agree	23%
Neutral	46%
Mostly disagree	13%
Completely disagree	7%
Agree (net)	32%
Disagree (net)	20%
Skipped	2%

ISSUEA\_1. Local organizations - In your opinion, how helpful are each of the following in helping you to better understand political issues?

	Total (N=1,456)
Not at all helpful	9%
Slightly helpful	15%
Neither helpful or unhelpful	31%
Helpful	29%
Very helpful	8%
Don't know	7%
Not helpful (net)	24%
Helpful (net)	37%
Skipped	1%





ISSUEA\_2. Religious or faith communities - In your opinion, how helpful are each of the following in helping you to better understand political issues?

	Total (N=1,456)
Not at all helpful	28%
Slightly helpful	9%
Neither helpful or unhelpful	31%
Helpful	15%
Very helpful	9%
Don't know	7%
Not helpful (net)	37%
Helpful (net)	23%
Skipped	2%

ISSUEA\_3. Professional experiences or workplace discussions - In your opinion, how helpful are each of the following in helping you to better understand political issues?

	Total (N=1,456)
Not at all helpful	11%
Slightly helpful	16%
Neither helpful or unhelpful	30%
Helpful	28%
Very helpful	9%
Don't know	6%
Not helpful (net)	27%
Helpful (net)	36%
Skipped	1%





ISSUEA\_4. Friend and family discussions - In your opinion, how helpful are each of the following in helping you to better understand political issues?

	Total (N=1,456)
Not at all helpful	7%
Slightly helpful	17%
Neither helpful or unhelpful	25%
Helpful	33%
Very helpful	13%
Don't know	3%
Not helpful (net)	24%
Helpful (net)	46%
Skipped	2%

ISSUEA\_5. Online communities and social media influencers - In your opinion, how helpful are each of the following in helping you to better understand political issues?

	Total (N=1,456)
Not at all helpful	29%
Slightly helpful	14%
Neither helpful or unhelpful	30%
Helpful	17%
Very helpful	5%
Don't know	4%
Not helpful (net)	43%
Helpful (net)	22%
Skipped	2%





ISSUEB\_1. Reports by experts at colleges and universities - In your opinion, how helpful are each of the following in helping you to better understand political issues?

	Total (N=1,532)
Not at all helpful	15%
Slightly helpful	16%
Neither helpful or unhelpful	23%
Helpful	26%
Very helpful	15%
Don't know	3%
Not helpful (net)	31%
Helpful (net)	42%
Skipped	1%

ISSUEB\_2. Statistical reports that provide facts about issues - In your opinion, how helpful are each of the following in helping you to better understand political issues?

	Total (N=1,532)
Not at all helpful	4%
Slightly helpful	11%
Neither helpful or unhelpful	17%
Helpful	35%
Very helpful	29%
Don't know	3%
Not helpful (net)	15%
Helpful (net)	64%
Skipped	1%





ISSUEB\_3. Books and printed information - In your opinion, how helpful are each of the following in helping you to better understand political issues?

	Total (N=1,532)
Not at all helpful	4%
Slightly helpful	17%
Neither helpful or unhelpful	23%
Helpful	34%
Very helpful	18%
Don't know	3%
Not helpful (net)	21%
Helpful (net)	52%
Skipped	1%

ISSUEB\_4. Barbershops/beauty salons - In your opinion, how helpful are each of the following in helping you to better understand political issues?

	Total (N=1,532)
Not at all helpful	46%
Slightly helpful	9%
Neither helpful or unhelpful	24%
Helpful	7%
Very helpful	3%
Don't know	9%
Not helpful (net)	55%
Helpful (net)	10%
Skipped	1%





ISSUEB\_5. Public opinion polling data - In your opinion, how helpful are each of the following in helping you to better understand political issues?

	Total (N=1,532)
Not at all helpful	14%
Slightly helpful	19%
Neither helpful or unhelpful	28%
Helpful	26%
Very helpful	10%
Don't know	3%
Not helpful (net)	32%
Helpful (net)	35%
Skipped	1%

DISCUSS\_1. Feeling the need to opt out of political conversations to avoid conflict or stress - When it comes to political conversations, how often do you experience the following:

	Total (N=2,988)
Never	10%
Rarely	15%
Sometimes	36%
Often	26%
Always	12%
Never/Rarely (net)	24%
Often/Always (net)	38%
Skipped	1%





DISCUSS\_2. Productive conversations with people who hold different views - When it comes to political conversations, how often do you experience the following:

	Total (N=2,988)
Never	10%
Rarely	29%
Sometimes	42%
Often	13%
Always	4%
Never/Rarely (net)	39%
Often/Always (net)	17%
Skipped	2%

DISCUSS\_3. Feeling pressure to take a side on political issues - When it comes to political conversations, how often do you experience the following:

	Total (N=2,988)
Never	24%
Rarely	28%
Sometimes	30%
Often	12%
Always	4%
Never/Rarely (net)	52%
Often/Always (net)	16%
Skipped	2%

DISCUSS\_4. Openly admitting that you don't know the facts about political topics - When it comes to political conversations, how often do you experience the following:

	Total (N=2,988)
Never	8%
Rarely	17%
Sometimes	47%
Often	19%
Always	8%
Never/Rarely (net)	25%
Often/Always (net)	26%
Skipped	2%





COMMUNITY\_1. Keep friendships with people despite political disagreements - In your community, how easy or difficult is it to:

	Total (N=2,988)
Very difficult	5%
Difficult	17%
Neutral	37%
Easy	30%
Very Easy	10%
Difficult (net)	22%
Easy (net)	39%
Skipped	2%

COMMUNITY\_2. Find spaces or groups where political differences are discussed respectfully - In your community, how easy or difficult is it to:

	Total
	(N=2,988)
Very difficult	11%
Difficult	25%
Neutral	46%
Easy	13%
Very Easy	3%
Difficult (net)	36%
Easy (net)	15%
Skipped	2%

COMMUNITY\_3. Participate in discussions focused on specific local issues - In your community, how easy or difficult is it to:

	Total
	(N=2,988)
Very difficult	4%
Difficult	13%
Neutral	49%
Easy	25%
Very Easy	6%
Difficult (net)	18%
Easy (net)	31%
Skipped	2%





DSTRONG\_1. The U.S. President was elected based on the popular vote and not the electoral college. - In your opinion, how much STRONGER or WEAKER would American democracy become if:

	Total (N=2,988)
American democracy would be a lot stronger	27%
American democracy would become a little stronger	20%
American democracy would not change	24%
American democracy would become a little weaker	9%
American democracy would become a lot weaker	15%
Stronger (net)	48%
Weaker (net)	24%
Skipped	4%

DSTRONG\_2. The U.S. provided guaranteed minimum income for all citizens. - In your opinion, how much STRONGER or WEAKER would American democracy become if:

	Total (N=2,988)
American democracy would be a lot stronger	16%
American democracy would become a little stronger	21%
American democracy would not change	28%
American democracy would become a little weaker	13%
American democracy would become a lot weaker	18%
Stronger (net)	37%
Weaker (net)	31%
Skipped	4%





DSTRONG\_3. It was easier for 3rd-party and independent candidates to run for office. - In your opinion, how much STRONGER or WEAKER would American democracy become if:

	Total (N=2,988)
American democracy would be a lot stronger	26%
American democracy would become a little stronger	30%
American democracy would not change	31%
American democracy would become a little weaker	6%
American democracy would become a lot weaker	3%
Stronger (net)	55%
Weaker (net)	9%
Skipped	4%

DSTRONG\_4. Members of U.S. Congress (House and Senate) had mandatory term limits. - In your opinion, how much STRONGER or WEAKER would American democracy become if:

	Total (N=2,988)
American democracy would be a lot stronger	43%
American democracy would become a little stronger	29%
American democracy would not change	17%
American democracy would become a little weaker	5%
American democracy would become a lot weaker	2%
Stronger (net)	72%
Weaker (net)	7%
Skipped	4%





DSTRONG\_5. Justices on the U.S. Supreme Court did not have lifetime appointments. - In your opinion, how much STRONGER or WEAKER would American democracy become if:

	Total (N=2,988)
American democracy would be a lot stronger	29%
American democracy would become a little stronger	25%
American democracy would not change	23%
American democracy would become a little weaker	10%
American democracy would become a lot weaker	8%
Stronger (net)	54%
Weaker (net)	18%
Skipped	4%

DSTRONG\_6. Citizens are automatically registered to vote when they turn 18. - In your opinion, how much STRONGER or WEAKER would American democracy become if:

	Total (N=2,988)
American democracy would be a lot stronger	23%
American democracy would become a little stronger	24%
American democracy would not change	36%
American democracy would become a little weaker	8%
American democracy would become a lot weaker	6%
Stronger (net)	47%
Weaker (net)	13%
Skipped	4%





DSTRONG\_7. Election day was made a national holiday - In your opinion, how much STRONGER or WEAKER would American democracy become if:

	Total (N=2,988)
American democracy would be a lot stronger	23%
American democracy would become a little stronger	24%
American democracy would not change	43%
American democracy would become a little weaker	3%
American democracy would become a lot weaker	2%
Stronger (net)	48%
Weaker (net)	5%
Skipped	4%

DSTRONG\_9. Local experts held 'office hours' to help people understand government decisions. - In your opinion, how much STRONGER or WEAKER would American democracy become if:

	Total (N=2,988)
American democracy would be a lot stronger	16%
American democracy would become a little stronger	41%
American democracy would not change	35%
American democracy would become a little weaker	3%
American democracy would become a lot weaker	2%
Stronger (net)	56%
Weaker (net)	5%
Skipped	4%





DSTRONG\_10. More U.S. territories became states. - In your opinion, how much STRONGER or WEAKER would American democracy become if:

	Total (N=2,988)
American democracy would be a lot stronger	11%
American democracy would become a little stronger	20%
American democracy would not change	49%
American democracy would become a little weaker	9%
American democracy would become a lot weaker	7%
Stronger (net)	31%
Weaker (net)	16%
Skipped	4%

DSTRONG\_11. The U.S. banned voting by mail. - In your opinion, how much STRONGER or WEAKER would American democracy become if:

	Total (N=2,988)
American democracy would be a lot stronger	15%
American democracy would become a little stronger	13%
American democracy would not change	27%
American democracy would become a little weaker	16%
American democracy would become a lot weaker	26%
Stronger (net)	28%
Weaker (net)	41%
Skipped	4%





DSTRONG\_12. There was a standard, non-partisan process for drawing election district maps. - In your opinion, how much STRONGER or WEAKER would American democracy become if:

	Total (N=2,988)
American democracy would be a lot stronger	30%
American democracy would become a little stronger	26%
American democracy would not change	33%
American democracy would become a little weaker	4%
American democracy would become a lot weaker	2%
Stronger (net)	56%
Weaker (net)	6%
Skipped	5%

DSTRONG\_13. Schools required civic education about how government works. - In your opinion, how much STRONGER or WEAKER would American democracy become if:

	Total (N=2,988)
American democracy would be a lot stronger	36%
American democracy would become a little stronger	39%
American democracy would not change	16%
American democracy would become a little weaker	3%
American democracy would become a lot weaker	1%
Stronger (net)	76%
Weaker (net)	4%
Skipped	4%





DSTRONG\_14. There was mandatory public service for young people. - In your opinion, how much STRONGER or WEAKER would American democracy become if:

	Total (N=2,988)
American democracy would be a lot stronger	14%
American democracy would become a little stronger	32%
American democracy would not change	38%
American democracy would become a little weaker	7%
American democracy would become a lot weaker	4%
Stronger (net)	46%
Weaker (net)	11%
Skipped	4%

DSTRONG\_15. People stopped focusing on the racial injustices in America's history. - In your opinion, how much STRONGER or WEAKER would American democracy become if:

	Total (N=2,988)
American democracy would be a lot stronger	23%
American democracy would become a little stronger	22%
American democracy would not change	24%
American democracy would become a little weaker	13%
American democracy would become a lot weaker	15%
Stronger (net)	45%
Weaker (net)	27%
Skipped	4%





DSTRONG\_16. There were more policy proposals directly from ordinary citizens. - In your opinion, how much STRONGER or WEAKER would American democracy become if:

	Total (N=2,988)
American democracy would be a lot stronger	15%
American democracy would become a little stronger	40%
American democracy would not change	32%
American democracy would become a little weaker	6%
American democracy would become a lot weaker	2%
Stronger (net)	56%
Weaker (net)	7%
Skipped	4%

DSTRONG\_17. There was less regulation of social media - In your opinion, how much STRONGER or WEAKER would American democracy become if:

	Total (N=2,988)
American democracy would be a lot stronger	8%
American democracy would become a little stronger	14%
American democracy would not change	39%
American democracy would become a little weaker	19%
American democracy would become a lot weaker	16%
Stronger (net)	22%
Weaker (net)	35%
Skipped	4%





DSTRONG\_18. Corporations were banned from making campaign contributions - In your opinion, how much STRONGER or WEAKER would American democracy become if:

	Total (N=2,988)
American democracy would be a lot stronger	36%
American democracy would become a little stronger	26%
American democracy would not change	25%
American democracy would become a little weaker	7%
American democracy would become a lot weaker	3%
Stronger (net)	61%
Weaker (net)	10%
Skipped	4%

DSTRONG\_19. There were harsher penalties for political protesters who disrupt events - In your opinion, how much STRONGER or WEAKER would American democracy become if:

	Total (N=2,988)
American democracy would be a lot stronger	11%
American democracy would become a little stronger	20%
American democracy would not change	37%
American democracy would become a little weaker	15%
American democracy would become a lot weaker	13%
Stronger (net)	31%
Weaker (net)	28%
Skipped	4%





DSTRONG\_20. A free college education was provided to every citizen - In your opinion, how much STRONGER or WEAKER would American democracy become if:

	Total (N=2,988)
American democracy would be a lot stronger	24%
American democracy would become a little stronger	22%
American democracy would not change	29%
American democracy would become a little weaker	9%
American democracy would become a lot weaker	12%
Stronger (net)	46%
Weaker (net)	21%
Skipped	4%

CITZASSA\_1. A Citizens' Assembly consists of a group of randomly selected members of the public who come together to participate in guided discussions and make policy recommendations. Do you think this is:

	Total (N=642)
A very bad idea	2%
A bad idea	6%
Neutral	41%
A good idea	36%
A very good idea	14%
Bad idea (net)	8%
Good idea (net)	49%
Skipped	1%





CITZASSA\_2. A Citizens' Assembly consists of a group of 25 randomly selected members of the public who come together to participate in guided discussions and make policy recommendations. Do you think this is:

	Total (N=597)
A very bad idea	2%
A bad idea	9%
Neutral	41%
A good idea	35%
A very good idea	11%
Bad idea (net)	11%
Good idea (net)	46%
Skipped	2%

CITZASSA\_3. A Citizens' Assembly consists of a group of randomly selected members of the public - selected by the government - who come together to participate in guided discussions and make policy recommendations. Do you think this is:

	Total (N=570)
A very bad idea	4%
A bad idea	15%
Neutral	36%
A good idea	36%
A very good idea	7%
Bad idea (net)	20%
Good idea (net)	43%
Skipped	1%





CITZASSA\_4. A Citizens' Assembly consists of a group of randomly selected members of the public who volunteer to participate in guided discussions and make policy recommendations. Do you think this is:

	Total (N=581)
A very bad idea	4%
A bad idea	8%
Neutral	37%
A good idea	40%
A very good idea	9%
Bad idea (net)	12%
Good idea (net)	49%
Skipped	1%

CITZASSA\_5. A Citizens' Assembly consists of a group of 25 randomly selected members of the public - &tbt

	Total (N=598)
A very bad idea	5%
A bad idea	13%
Neutral	42%
A good idea	30%
A very good idea	9%
Bad idea (net)	17%
Good idea (net)	39%
Skipped	1%

CITZTOPICS\_1. American democracy and civic engagement - Below is a list of topics that a Citizen's Assembly could discuss. How much of a priority do you think each topic should be for a discussion

	Total (N=1,490)
Not a priority topic	4%
Low priority topic	8%
Medium priority topic	31%
High priority topic	30%
Essential topic	25%
Not/Low priority (net)	12%
High/Essential topic (net)	54%
Skipped	3%





CITZTOPICS\_2. Energy and climate - Below is a list of topics that a Citizen's Assembly could discuss. How much of a priority do you think each topic should be for a discussion

	Total
	(N=1,490)
Not a priority topic	10%
Low priority topic	15%
Medium priority topic	26%
High priority topic	26%
Essential topic	20%
Not/Low priority (net)	25%
High/Essential topic (net)	47%
Skipped	2%

CITZTOPICS\_3. Finance and investment - Below is a list of topics that a Citizen's Assembly could discuss. How much of a priority do you think each topic should be for a discussion

	Total (N=1,490)
Not a priority topic	5%
Low priority topic	14%
Medium priority topic	37%
High priority topic	26%
Essential topic	15%
Not/Low priority (net)	19%
High/Essential topic (net)	41%
Skipped	3%

CITZTOPICS\_4. Government and public policy - Below is a list of topics that a Citizen's Assembly could discuss. How much of a priority do you think each topic should be for a discussion

	Total (N=1,490)
Not a priority topic	3%
Low priority topic	5%
Medium priority topic	28%
High priority topic	35%
Essential topic	25%
Not/Low priority (net)	9%
High/Essential topic (net)	60%
Skipped	3%





CITZTOPICS\_5. Artificial Intelligence and technology - Below is a list of topics that a Citizen's Assembly could discuss. How much of a priority do you think each topic should be for a discussion

	Total (N=1,490)
Not a priority topic	7%
Low priority topic	18%
Medium priority topic	34%
High priority topic	27%
Essential topic	11%
Not/Low priority (net)	25%
High/Essential topic (net)	39%
Skipped	2%

CITZTOPICS\_6. Economics and labor - Below is a list of topics that a Citizen's Assembly could discuss. How much of a priority do you think each topic should be for a discussion

	Total
	(N=1,490)
Not a priority topic	3%
Low priority topic	4%
Medium priority topic	26%
High priority topic	39%
Essential topic	25%
Not/Low priority (net)	7%
High/Essential topic (net)	64%
Skipped	3%

CITZTOPICS\_7. Housing and real estate - Below is a list of topics that a Citizen's Assembly could discuss. How much of a priority do you think each topic should be for a discussion

	Total (N=1,490)
Not a priority topic	4%
Low priority topic	11%
Medium priority topic	29%
High priority topic	35%
Essential topic	19%
Not/Low priority (net)	15%
High/Essential topic (net)	53%
Skipped	3%





CITZTOPICS\_8. Personal health and well-being - Below is a list of topics that a Citizen's Assembly could discuss. How much of a priority do you think each topic should be for a discussion

	Total (N=1,490)
Not a priority topic	5%
Low priority topic	11%
Medium priority topic	32%
High priority topic	29%
Essential topic	19%
Not/Low priority (net)	17%
High/Essential topic (net)	48%
Skipped	3%

CITZFOCUS\_1. The role of government in solving public problems - Below is a list of topics that a Citizen's Assembly could discuss. How much of a priority do you think each topic should be for a d

	Total (N=1,498)
Not a priority topic	4%
Low priority topic	9%
Medium priority topic	33%
High priority topic	33%
Essential topic	16%
Not/Low priority (net)	13%
High/Essential topic (net)	49%
Skipped	4%

CITZFOCUS\_2. Educating children and young adults - Below is a list of topics that a Citizen's Assembly could discuss. How much of a priority do you think each topic should be for a discussion

	Total (N=1,498)
Not a priority topic	2%
Low priority topic	4%
Medium priority topic	20%
High priority topic	36%
Essential topic	34%
Not/Low priority (net)	6%
High/Essential topic (net)	70%
Skipped	4%





CITZFOCUS\_3. Guaranteeing employment, especially for the unhoused and formerly incarcerated - Below is a list of topics that a Citizen's Assembly could discuss. How much of a priority do you think

	Total (N=1,498)
Not a priority topic	10%
Low priority topic	18%
Medium priority topic	35%
High priority topic	21%
Essential topic	12%
Not/Low priority (net)	28%
High/Essential topic (net)	33%
Skipped	4%

CITZFOCUS\_4. Making sure elections are fair and transparent - Below is a list of topics that a Citizen's Assembly could discuss. How much of a priority do you think each topic should be for a disc

	Total
	(N=1,498)
Not a priority topic	2%
Low priority topic	4%
Medium priority topic	17%
High priority topic	32%
Essential topic	42%
Not/Low priority (net)	6%
High/Essential topic (net)	73%
Skipped	4%

CITZFOCUS\_5. Keeping people and communities safe - Below is a list of topics that a Citizen's Assembly could discuss. How much of a priority do you think each topic should be for a discussion

	Total
	(N=1,498)
Not a priority topic	2%
Low priority topic	3%
Medium priority topic	16%
High priority topic	40%
Essential topic	35%
Not/Low priority (net)	5%
High/Essential topic (net)	75%
Skipped	4%





CITZFOCUS\_6. Protecting the environment - Below is a list of topics that a Citizen's Assembly could discuss. How much of a priority do you think each topic should be for a discussion

	Total (N=1,498)
Not a priority topic	7%
Low priority topic	11%
Medium priority topic	28%
High priority topic	28%
Essential topic	22%
Not/Low priority (net)	18%
High/Essential topic (net)	50%
Skipped	4%

CITZASS2\_1. Local and state elected officials - In addition to randomly selected people, how helpful or harmful would each of the following be to have in attendance at a Citizens' Assembly?

	Total (N=2,988)
Make them much worse	7%
Make them somewhat worse	16%
Make no difference	27%
Make them somewhat better	36%
Make them much better	9%
Worse (net)	23%
Better (net)	45%
Skipped	4%

CITZASS2\_2. Community leaders - In addition to randomly selected people, how helpful or harmful would each of the following be to have in attendance at a Citizens' Assembly?

	Total (N=2,988)
Make them much worse	3%
Make them somewhat worse	10%
Make no difference	28%
Make them somewhat better	42%
Make them much better	13%
Worse (net)	14%
Better (net)	55%
Skipped	4%





CITZASS2\_3. Local and state business owners - In addition to randomly selected people, how helpful or harmful would each of the following be to have in attendance at a Citizens' Assembly?

	Total (N=2,988)
Make them much worse	3%
Make them somewhat worse	8%
Make no difference	28%
Make them somewhat better	44%
Make them much better	13%
Worse (net)	11%
Better (net)	57%
Skipped	4%

CITZASS2\_4. Judges and legal experts - In addition to randomly selected people, how helpful or harmful would each of the following be to have in attendance at a Citizens' Assembly?

	Total
	(N=2,988)
Make them much worse	4%
Make them somewhat worse	11%
Make no difference	26%
Make them somewhat better	43%
Make them much better	12%
Worse (net)	15%
Better (net)	55%
Skipped	4%

CITZASS2\_5. Academic experts from colleges and universities - In addition to randomly selected people, how helpful or harmful would each of the following be to have in attendance at a Citizens' A

	Total (N=2,988)
Make them much worse	7%
Make them somewhat worse	11%
Make no difference	28%
Make them somewhat better	36%
Make them much better	15%
Worse (net)	18%
Better (net)	51%
Skipped	4%





TALKWITHB. If you could sit down and have a conversation about government and politics with any one person in the world, regardless of their background or expertise, who would it be? (Please select only one).

	Total (N=1,508)
My partner/spouse	16%
A parent	6%
My child	5%
My best friend	7%
A close professional colleague	3%
A paster or spiritual advisor	4%
A celebrity figure	1%
An elected leader	34%
A college or university professor	9%
Someone else (Please write in)	9%
Skipped	6%

CITASSEXPA\_A. Baseline - Again, a Citizens' Assembly is made up of randomly selected people who discuss a particular topic of relevance to society and politics. of relevance to society and politics. If you were asked to take part in such an assembly, how likely is it that you would participate?

	Total (N=503)
Extremely unlikely	14%
Unlikely	18%
Neutral	24%
Likely	28%
Extremely likely	14%
Unlikely (net)	32%
Likely (net)	42%
Skipped	1%





CITASSEXPA\_B. Participants are provided with compensation for their time and expenses. - Again, a Citizens' Assembly is made up of randomly selected people who discuss a particular topic of relevance to society and politics. of relevance to society and politics. If you were asked to take part in such an assembly, how likely is it that you would participate?

	Total (N=482)
Extremely unlikely	16%
Unlikely	14%
Neutral	26%
Likely	27%
Extremely likely	15%
Unlikely (net)	30%
Likely (net)	42%
Skipped	2%

CITASSEXPA\_C. Participants are provided with a \$25 cash amount for their time and expenses. - Again, a Citizens' Assembly is made up of randomly selected people who discuss a particular topic of relevance to society and politics. of relevance to society and politics. If you were asked to take part in such an assembly, how likely is it that you would participate?

	Total (N=504)
Extremely unlikely	15%
Unlikely	14%
Neutral	25%
Likely	27%
Extremely likely	18%
Unlikely (net)	29%
Likely (net)	45%
Skipped	1%





CITASSEXPA\_D. Participants are provided with a \$2,000 [taxable] cash amount for their time and expenses. - Again, a Citizens' Assembly is made up of randomly selected people who discuss a particular topic of relevance to society and politics. of relevance to society and politics. If you were asked to take part in such an assembly, how likely is it that you would participate?

	Total (N=497)
Extremely unlikely	10%
Unlikely	9%
Neutral	26%
Likely	30%
Extremely likely	23%
Unlikely (net)	19%
Likely (net)	53%
Skipped	2%

CITASSEXPA\_E. Participants are provided with a \$2,000 [non-taxable] cash amount for their time and expenses. - Again, a Citizens' Assembly is made up of randomly selected people who discuss a particular topic of relevance to society and politics. of relevance to society and politics. If you were asked to take part in such an assembly, how likely is it that you would participate?

	Total (N=508)
Extremely unlikely	11%
Unlikely	9%
Neutral	21%
Likely	29%
Extremely likely	28%
Unlikely (net)	20%
Likely (net)	58%
Skipped	2%





CITASSEXPA\_F. Participants are provided with a \$2,000 income tax credit for their time and expenses. - Again, a Citizens' Assembly is made up of randomly selected people who discuss a particular topic of relevance to society and politics. of relevance to society and politics. If you were asked to take part in such an assembly, how likely is it that you would participate?

	Total (N=494)
Extremely unlikely	9%
Unlikely	10%
Neutral	25%
Likely	29%
Extremely likely	26%
Unlikely (net)	19%
Likely (net)	56%
Skipped	1%

FOREBEAR\_1. Remain calm when others are rude to you. - How difficult or easy is it for you to do each of the following:

	Total (N=2,988)
Very difficult for me	5%
Difficult for me	20%
Neutral	33%
Easy for me	31%
Very easy me	9%
Difficult (net)	25%
Easy (net)	40%
Skipped	2%





FOREBEAR\_2. Listen to others' opinions when I disagree with them. - How difficult or easy is it for you to do each of the following:

	Total (N=2,988)
Very difficult for me	2%
Difficult for me	9%
Neutral	28%
Easy for me	44%
Very easy me	16%
Difficult (net)	10%
Easy (net)	59%
Skipped	2%

FOREBEAR\_3. Overlook the mistakes that others make. - How difficult or easy is it for you to do each of the following:

	Total (N=2,988)
Very difficult for me	3%
Difficult for me	22%
Neutral	39%
Easy for me	30%
Very easy me	5%
Difficult (net)	25%
Easy (net)	34%
Skipped	2%

FOREBEAR\_4. Avoid defending yourself immediately when others place blame on you. - How difficult or easy is it for you to do each of the following:

	Total (N=2,988)
Very difficult for me	6%
Difficult for me	30%
Neutral	36%
Easy for me	21%
Very easy me	5%
Difficult (net)	36%
Easy (net)	26%
Skipped	2%





FOREBEAR\_5. Accept losing when you believe others do not deserve to win. - How difficult or easy is it for you to do each of the following:

	Total (N=2,988)
Very difficult for me	3%
Difficult for me	20%
Neutral	44%
Easy for me	24%
Very easy me	6%
Difficult (net)	23%
Easy (net)	30%
Skipped	2%

ELECTIONR. Thinking about the way the president of the United States is elected, would you prefer to:

	Total (N=2,988)
Change the current system so that candidate who receives the most votes wins	61%
Keep the current system so the candidate who wins Electoral College vote wins	35%
Skipped	4%

ELECTUS\_1. Votes are counted fairly in the United States - How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about elections in the United States?

	Total (N=1,032)
Strongly disagree	8%
Disagree	17%
Neither agree nor disagree	30%
Agree	27%
Strongly agree	15%
Don't know	2%
Disagree (net)	25%
Agree (net)	42%
Skipped	1%





ELECTUS\_2. United States (Federal) Election officials are fair - How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about elections in the United States?

	Total (N=1,032)
Strongly disagree	6%
Disagree	17%
Neither agree nor disagree	36%
Agree	27%
Strongly agree	10%
Don't know	1%
Disagree (net)	23%
Agree (net)	38%
Skipped	2%

ELECTUS\_3. In the United States, rich people buy elections - How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about elections in the United States?

	Total (N=1,032)
Strongly disagree	3%
Disagree	10%
Neither agree nor disagree	26%
Agree	32%
Strongly agree	26%
Don't know	1%
Disagree (net)	13%
Agree (net)	58%
Skipped	1%





ELECTUS\_4. In the United States voters are inundated with false information about candidates - How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about elections in the Unite

	Total (N=1,032)
Strongly disagree	2%
Disagree	4%
Neither agree nor disagree	21%
Agree	33%
Strongly agree	38%
Don't know	1%
Disagree (net)	6%
Agree (net)	71%
Skipped	1%

ELECTUS\_5. Voters are offered a genuine choice in United States elections - How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about elections in the United States?

	Total (N=1,032)
Strongly disagree	12%
Disagree	21%
Neither agree nor disagree	30%
Agree	26%
Strongly agree	8%
Don't know	1%
Disagree (net)	33%
Agree (net)	34%
Skipped	1%





ELECTST\_1. Votes are counted fairly in my state - How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about elections in your state?

	Total (N=985)
Strongly disagree	3%
Disagree	6%
Neither agree nor disagree	26%
Agree	35%
Strongly agree	20%
Don't know	8%
Disagree (net)	9%
Agree (net)	55%
Skipped	2%

ELECTST\_2. My state's Election officials are fair - How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about elections in your state?

	Total (N=985)
Strongly disagree	5%
Disagree	8%
Neither agree nor disagree	30%
Agree	36%
Strongly agree	13%
Don't know	6%
Disagree (net)	13%
Agree (net)	49%
Skipped	2%





ELECTST\_3. In my state, rich people buy elections - How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about elections in your state?

	Total (N=985)
Strongly disagree	5%
Disagree	19%
Neither agree nor disagree	35%
Agree	18%
Strongly agree	12%
Don't know	9%
Disagree (net)	24%
Agree (net)	30%
Skipped	2%

ELECTST\_4. In my state voters are inundated with false information about candidates - How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about elections in your state?

	Total (N=985)
Strongly disagree	2%
Disagree	12%
Neither agree nor disagree	32%
Agree	29%
Strongly agree	16%
Don't know	7%
Disagree (net)	14%
Agree (net)	45%
Skipped	2%





ELECTST\_5. Voters are offered a genuine choice in my state's elections - How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about elections in your state?

	Total (N=985)
Strongly disagree	7%
Disagree	13%
Neither agree nor disagree	30%
Agree	32%
Strongly agree	10%
Don't know	6%
Disagree (net)	20%
Agree (net)	42%
Skipped	2%

ELECTLC\_1. Votes are counted fairly in my local area - How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about elections in your local area?

	Total (N=971)
Strongly disagree	2%
Disagree	5%
Neither agree nor disagree	25%
Agree	38%
Strongly agree	20%
Don't know	7%
Disagree (net)	7%
Agree (net)	59%
Skipped	3%





ELECTLC\_2. My local area's Election officials are fair - How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about elections in your local area?

	Total (N=971)
Strongly disagree	3%
Disagree	5%
Neither agree nor disagree	34%
Agree	33%
Strongly agree	16%
Don't know	6%
Disagree (net)	8%
Agree (net)	49%
Skipped	3%

ELECTLC\_3. In my local area, rich people buy elections - How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about elections in your local area?

	Total (N=971)
Strongly disagree	10%
Disagree	21%
Neither agree nor disagree	38%
Agree	13%
Strongly agree	6%
Don't know	9%
Disagree (net)	31%
Agree (net)	19%
Skipped	3%





ELECTLC\_4. In my local area voters are inundated with false information about candidates - How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about elections in your local area?

	Total (N=971)
Strongly disagree	4%
Disagree	15%
Neither agree nor disagree	38%
Agree	24%
Strongly agree	10%
Don't know	6%
Disagree (net)	19%
Agree (net)	34%
Skipped	3%

ELECTLC\_5. Voters are offered a genuine choice in my local area's elections - How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about elections in your local area?

	Total (N=971)
Strongly disagree	4%
Disagree	10%
Neither agree nor disagree	35%
Agree	34%
Strongly agree	10%
Don't know	5%
Disagree (net)	14%
Agree (net)	44%
Skipped	3%





WRTA\_1. I resent any special considerations that Africans Americans receive because it's unfair to other Americans. - Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=2,988)
Strongly disagree	15%
Disagree	16%
Neither agree nor disagree	31%
Agree	22%
Strongly agree	13%
Disagree (net)	31%
Agree (net)	35%
Skipped	3%

WRTA\_2. For African Americans to succeed, they need to stop using past racism and slavery as excuses. - Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=2,988)
Strongly disagree	12%
Disagree	12%
Neither agree nor disagree	27%
Agree	26%
Strongly agree	20%
Disagree (net)	24%
Agree (net)	46%
Skipped	3%

WRTA\_3. Special considerations for African Americans place me at an unfair disadvantage because I have done nothing to harm them. - Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=2,988)
Strongly disagree	13%
Disagree	15%
Neither agree nor disagree	32%
Agree	22%
Strongly agree	15%
Disagree (net)	29%
Agree (net)	36%
Skipped	3%





WRTA\_4. African Americans bring up race only when they need to make an excuse for their failure. - Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=2,988)
Strongly disagree	17%
Disagree	20%
Neither agree nor disagree	32%
Agree	18%
Strongly agree	11%
Disagree (net)	36%
Agree (net)	29%
Skipped	3%

AARTW\_1. I resent when Whites deny the existence of racial discrimination. - Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=2,988)
Strongly disagree	8%
Disagree	11%
Neither agree nor disagree	33%
Agree	26%
Strongly agree	19%
Disagree (net)	19%
Agree (net)	45%
Skipped	3%

AARTW\_2. Whites get away with offenses that African Americans would never get away with. - Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=2,988)
Strongly disagree	13%
Disagree	17%
Neither agree nor disagree	26%
Agree	24%
Strongly agree	17%
Disagree (net)	30%
Agree (net)	42%
Skipped	3%





AARTW\_3. Whites do not go to great lengths to understand the problems African Americans face. - Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=2,988)
Strongly disagree	8%
Disagree	17%
Neither agree nor disagree	34%
Agree	27%
Strongly agree	12%
Disagree (net)	25%
Agree (net)	39%
Skipped	3%

AARTW\_4. Even when African Americans work hard to succeed, Whites still view them in lesser terms. - Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=2,988)
Strongly disagree	14%
Disagree	21%
Neither agree nor disagree	27%
Agree	22%
Strongly agree	12%
Disagree (net)	35%
Agree (net)	35%
Skipped	3%

PERIOD\_1. The 1940s - Here are some decades in the past. Based on what you believe please indicate whether you feel each period was better than, worse than, or about the same as today, all things considered.

	Total (N=2,988)
This period was worse than today	48%
About the same as today	9%
This period was better than today	12%
Don't know	28%
Skipped	2%





PERIOD\_2. The 1950s - Here are some decades in the past. Based on what you believe please indicate whether you feel each period was better than, worse than, or about the same as today, all things considered.

	Total (N=2,988)
This period was worse than today	33%
About the same as today	13%
This period was better than today	27%
Don't know	25%
Skipped	2%

PERIOD\_3. The 1960s - Here are some decades in the past. Based on what you believe please indicate whether you feel each period was better than, worse than, or about the same as today, all things considered.

	Total (N=2,988)
This period was worse than today	32%
About the same as today	20%
This period was better than today	24%
Don't know	21%
Skipped	3%

PERIOD\_4. The 1970s - Here are some decades in the past. Based on what you believe please indicate whether you feel each period was better than, worse than, or about the same as today, all things considered.

	Total (N=2,988)
This period was worse than today	25%
About the same as today	25%
This period was better than today	28%
Don't know	20%
Skipped	3%





PERIOD\_5. The 1980s - Here are some decades in the past. Based on what you believe please indicate whether you feel each period was better than, worse than, or about the same as today, all things considered.

	Total (N=2,988)
This period was worse than today	15%
About the same as today	28%
This period was better than today	38%
Don't know	16%
Skipped	3%

PERIOD\_6. The 1990s - Here are some decades in the past. Based on what you believe please indicate whether you feel each period was better than, worse than, or about the same as today, all things considered.

	Total (N=2,988)
This period was worse than today	11%
About the same as today	31%
This period was better than today	42%
Don't know	13%
Skipped	3%

PERIOD\_7. The 2000s - Here are some decades in the past. Based on what you believe please indicate whether you feel each period was better than, worse than, or about the same as today, all things considered.

	Total (N=2,988)
This period was worse than today	12%
About the same as today	40%
This period was better than today	32%
Don't know	13%
Skipped	3%





PERIOD\_8. The 2010s - Here are some decades in the past. Based on what you believe please indicate whether you feel each period was better than, worse than, or about the same as today, all things considered.

	Total (N=2,988)
This period was worse than today	14%
About the same as today	46%
This period was better than today	26%
Don't know	12%
Skipped	2%

MERIT5a. Which of the following, if either, do you think is a bigger problem with the federal government?

	Total (N=602)
Neither is a problem with the federal government	27%
They are trying to help too many people who don't deserve it	41%
They are not trying enough to help people like me	29%
Skipped	3%

MERIT5b. Which of the following, if either, do you think is a bigger problem with your state's government?

	Total (N=635)
Neither is a problem for my state's government	38%
It is trying to help too many people who don't deserve it	30%
It is not trying enough to help people like me	27%
Skipped	5%





MERIT5c. Which of the following, if either, do you think is a bigger problem with your local government?

	Total (N=611)
Neither is a problem for my local government	44%
It is trying to help too many people who don't deserve it	26%
It is not trying enough to help people like me	25%
Skipped	5%

MERIT5d. Which of the following, if either, do you think is a bigger problem with the Democratic Party?

	Total (N=582)
Neither is a problem for the Democratic Party	34%
They are trying to help too many people who don't deserve it	35%
They are not trying enough to help people like me	25%
Skipped	6%

MERIT5e. Which of the following, if either, do you think is a bigger problem with the Republican Party?

	Total (N=558)
Neither is a problem with for the Republican Party	41%
They are trying to help too many people who don't deserve it	15%
They are not trying enough to help people like me	38%
Skipped	5%





IDEO. In general, how would you describe your political views. Are you ...

	Total (N=2,988)
Very conservative	10%
Somewhat conservative	21%
Moderate	33%
Somewhat liberal	16%
Very liberal	10%
Don't know	8%
Conservative (net)	31%
Liberal (net)	26%
Skipped	2%

AFFLPOL\_1. I feel as though Conservatives are very different from Liberals. - Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=849)
Strongly disagree	2%
Disagree	13%
Neither agree nor disagree	28%
Agree	39%
Strongly agree	18%
Don't know	1%
Disagree (net)	15%
Agree (net)	57%
Skipped	0%





AFFLPOL\_2. Conservatives live in a different world from those of us siding with Liberals. - Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=849)
Strongly disagree	3%
Disagree	14%
Neither agree nor disagree	27%
Agree	39%
Strongly agree	16%
Don't know	0%
Disagree (net)	17%
Agree (net)	55%
Skipped	0%

AFFLPOL\_3. Conservatives act in ways that those of us siding with Liberals could never understand. - Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=849)
Strongly disagree	3%
Disagree	20%
Neither agree nor disagree	32%
Agree	31%
Strongly agree	13%
Don't know	1%
Disagree (net)	23%
Agree (net)	44%
Skipped	0%





AFFLPOL\_4. As someone who sides with Liberals, I would not want to be friends with someone who was a Conservative. - Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=849)
Strongly disagree	16%
Disagree	37%
Neither agree nor disagree	29%
Agree	11%
Strongly agree	5%
Don't know	1%
Disagree (net)	53%
Agree (net)	17%
Skipped	0%

AFFLPOL\_5. If I found out a friend of mine was a Conservative, I would want to stop spending time with them. - Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=849)
Strongly disagree	19%
Disagree	40%
Neither agree nor disagree	27%
Agree	10%
Strongly agree	4%
Don't know	1%
Disagree (net)	59%
Agree (net)	14%
Skipped	0%





AFFLPOL\_6. Although I do not agree with their political views, there are people I like who are Conservative. - Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=849)
Strongly disagree	4%
Disagree	5%
Neither agree nor disagree	19%
Agree	54%
Strongly agree	16%
Don't know	1%
Disagree (net)	9%
Agree (net)	70%
Skipped	0%

AFFLPOL\_7. My identity as someone who sides with Liberals is connected to my core moral beliefs. - Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=849)
Strongly disagree	2%
Disagree	6%
Neither agree nor disagree	19%
Agree	46%
Strongly agree	27%
Don't know	1%
Disagree (net)	7%
Agree (net)	73%
Skipped	0%





AFFLPOL\_8. My identity as someone who sides with Liberals reflects my beliefs about the difference between right and wrong. - Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements be

	Total (N=849)
Strongly disagree	4%
Disagree	7%
Neither agree nor disagree	22%
Agree	44%
Strongly agree	23%
Don't know	1%
Disagree (net)	10%
Agree (net)	67%
Skipped	0%

AFFLPOL\_9. My identity as someone who sides with Liberals is rooted in moral principles. - Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=849)
Strongly disagree	2%
Disagree	4%
Neither agree nor disagree	20%
Agree	47%
Strongly agree	27%
Don't know	1%
Disagree (net)	6%
Agree (net)	74%
Skipped	0%





AFFCPOL\_1. I feel as though Liberals are very different from Conservatives. - Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=1,001)
Strongly disagree	2%
Disagree	12%
Neither agree nor disagree	27%
Agree	38%
Strongly agree	19%
Don't know	1%
Disagree (net)	14%
Agree (net)	57%
Skipped	0%

AFFCPOL\_2. Liberals live in a different world from those of us who side with Conservatives. - Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=1,001)
Strongly disagree	3%
Disagree	15%
Neither agree nor disagree	30%
Agree	33%
Strongly agree	18%
Don't know	1%
Disagree (net)	19%
Agree (net)	50%
Skipped	0%





AFFCPOL\_3. Liberals act in ways that those of us siding with Conservatives could never understand. - Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=1,001)
Strongly disagree	4%
Disagree	17%
Neither agree nor disagree	33%
Agree	32%
Strongly agree	12%
Don't know	2%
Disagree (net)	22%
Agree (net)	44%
Skipped	0%

AFFCPOL\_4. As someone who sides with Conservatives, I would not want to be friends with someone who was a Liberal. - Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=1,001)
Strongly disagree	32%
Disagree	40%
Neither agree nor disagree	20%
Agree	5%
Strongly agree	1%
Don't know	1%
Disagree (net)	72%
Agree (net)	6%
Skipped	0%





AFFCPOL\_5. If I found out a friend of mine was a Liberal, I would want to stop spending time with them. - Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=1,001)
Strongly disagree	40%
Disagree	38%
Neither agree nor disagree	17%
Agree	3%
Strongly agree	2%
Don't know	1%
Disagree (net)	78%
Agree (net)	5%
Skipped	0%

AFFCPOL\_6. Although I do not agree with their political views, there are people I like who are Liberals. - Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=1,001)
Strongly disagree	1%
Disagree	4%
Neither agree nor disagree	16%
Agree	49%
Strongly agree	29%
Don't know	1%
Disagree (net)	5%
Agree (net)	77%
Skipped	0%





AFFCPOL\_7. My identity as someone who sides with Conservatives is connected to my core moral beliefs. - Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=1,001)
Strongly disagree	3%
Disagree	5%
Neither agree nor disagree	19%
Agree	44%
Strongly agree	28%
Don't know	1%
Disagree (net)	8%
Agree (net)	72%
Skipped	0%

AFFCPOL\_8. My identity as someone who sides with Conservatives reflects my beliefs about the difference between right and wrong. - Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statemen

	Total (N=1,001)
Strongly disagree	2%
Disagree	6%
Neither agree nor disagree	25%
Agree	39%
Strongly agree	26%
Don't know	1%
Disagree (net)	9%
Agree (net)	65%
Skipped	0%





AFFCPOL\_9. My identity as someone who sides with Conservatives is rooted in moral principles. - Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the statements below.

	Total (N=1,001)
Strongly disagree	2%
Disagree	5%
Neither agree nor disagree	20%
Agree	44%
Strongly agree	28%
Don't know	1%
Disagree (net)	7%
Agree (net)	72%
Skipped	0%





#### **About the Study**

This Ipsos poll was conducted February 6-19, 2025, on behalf of the Berkeley Democracy Policy Lab using the KnowledgePanel®. This poll is based on a representative sample of 2,988 U.S. residents, age 18 or older. The survey was part of a longitudinal research program, and consisted of a sample of respondents who were recontacted to complete this wave of the survey following their completion of a survey in October 2024 and / or a survey in December 2024.

The study was conducted in English and Spanish. The data were weighted to the following geodemographic distributions of U.S. adults (18 and over) using an iterative proportional fitting (raking) procedure. The benchmarks were obtained from the 2024 March Supplement of the Current Population Survey (CPS), except language dominance within Hispanics, which was obtained from the 2023 American Community Survey (ACS). Additionally, the party affiliation benchmark was obtained from the 2024 Pew's National Public Opinion Reference Survey (NPORS).

- Gender (Male, Female) by Age (18-29, 30-44, 45-59, 60+)
- Race-Ethnicity (White/Non-Hispanic, Black/Non-Hispanic, Other/Non-Hispanic, Hispanic, 2+ Races/Non-Hispanic)
- Census Region (Northeast, Midwest, South, West) by Metropolitan Status (Metro, Non-Metro)
- Education (Less than High School, High School, Some College, Bachelor's Degree, Master's Degree or higher)
- Household Income (under \$25K, \$25K-\$49,999, \$50K-\$74,999, \$75K-\$99,999, \$100K-\$149,999, \$150K and over)
- Language Dominance (English Dominant Hispanic, Bilingual Hispanic, Spanish Dominant Hispanic, Non-Hispanic)
- Party Affiliation (Republican, Lean Republican, Not Leaned/Refused, Lean Democrat, Democrat)

The margin of sampling error is plus or minus 1.97 percentage points at the 95% confidence level, for results based on the entire sample of adult. The margin of error takes into account the design effect, which was 1.20 for all adults. our reporting of the findings, percentage points are rounded off to the nearest whole number. As a result, percentages in a given table column may total slightly higher or lower than 100%. In questions that permit multiple responses, columns may total substantially more than 100%, depending on the number of different responses offered by each respondent.

