

### WINNING THE ISSUES NATIONAL SURVEY April 1-3, 2020 1000 Registered Voters

In thinking about this year's election for Congress, based on scale of 1 to 9, where 1 is that you will not be voting and 9 is that you will absolutely be voting, how likely are you to vote in that election?

#### **MEAN: 8.08**

1. Generally speaking, would you say things in the country are headed in the right direction, or are things seriously headed off on the wrong track?

1.	Right Direction	37
2.	Don't Know	12
3.	Wrong Track	51

2. Overall would you say that you approve or disapprove of the job Donald Trump is doing as President?

1. Approve	44
2. Don't know	10
3. Disapprove	46

For each of the following, do you have a strongly favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, or strongly unfavorable impression? (ROTATE 3-4)

	NAME ID	TOTAL FAV	TOTAL UNFAV	NO OPINION
3. Republicans in Congress	99	40	51	8
4. Democrats in Congress	99	42	50	8

# 5. Which of the following issues would you say is most important to you in deciding how to vote for Congress? (ROTATE)

1. Education	3
2. Social Security	9
3. Retirement and Investments	1
4. Terrorism	2
5. Health care	26
6. The Economy	21
7. Jobs	4
8. Taxes	4
9. Crime and Safety	2
10. Environment/Climate Change	6
11. National Defense/Foreign Affairs	2
12. National Deficit/Spending	3
13. Energy	1
14. Gas prices	1
15. Immigration	6
16. Other	2
17. Prescription Drugs	2
18. Don't know	4

Which party do you have more confidence in to handle each of the following issues - (ROTATE) the Republican Party or the Democratic Party? (ROTATE LIST BELOW)

	REPUBLICAN PARTY	DEMOCRATIC PARTY	DON'T KNOW
6. The Economy	45	39	15
7. Jobs	46	40	14
8. Taxes	44	41	15
9. Health care	37	49	14
10. Public health concerns like coronavirus	38	44	18

11. If the elections were held today for US Congress in your state, would you be more likely to vote for (ROTATE) the Republican candidate or the Democrat candidate?

1. Republican	39
2. Lean Republican	4
3. Undecided	11
4. Lean Democrat	3
5. Democrat	43
TOTAL REPUBLICAN	43
TOTAL DEMOCRAT	46

#### (ROTATE 12-13)

12. Overall, in thinking about what you heard recently from Republicans in Congress, did this make you more favorable or less favorable to them?

1.	More favorable	42
2.	Less favorable	45
3.	Don't Know	14

13. Overall, in thinking about what you heard recently from Democrats in Congress, did this make you more favorable or less favorable to them?

1.	More favorable	41
2.	Less favorable	45
3.	Don't Know	14

#### **NEWS STORIES**

On a scale of 1-9 with 1 being not important at all, 3 being somewhat important; 5 being important, 7 being very important and 9 being extremely important, how important is each of the following issues or news stories to you? (ROTATE LIST 14-27)

	MEAN
14. The economy and jobs	7.48
15. Need to get things done in Washington and get the parties to work together	7.31
16. Affordable Care Act/Single payer/Medicare for All	6.38

17. Foreign policy/Terrorism/Iran/situation in the Middle East	6.27
18. Cost of living	6.99
19. China	5.76
20. The debate regarding the cost of prescription drugs	6.67
21. Border security	6.15
22. Climate change	5.95
23. Coronavirus	7.80
24. Stock market and global economic trends	6.59
25. Discussions about socialism	5.00
26. Status of your retirement plan and 401K	6.27
27. State of scientific discovery and innovation, including status of a vaccine or a cure for coronavirus	7.43

#### ECONOMY

28. Generally speaking, would you say the economy is headed in the right direction, or are things seriously headed off on the wrong track?

1. Right Direction	31
2. Don't Know	17
3. Wrong Track	52

## 29. Overall would you say that you approve or disapprove of the job Donald Trump is doing in handling the economy?

1. Approve	47
2. Disapprove	45
3. Don't know	9

## 30. In making a judgment about how you personally think the economy is doing, which of the following is most important to you? (ROTATE)

1. Economic figures like growth rate, inflation, or interest rates	30
2. What the job situation is like and what the unemployment rate is	42
3. How the stock market is doing	16
4. Don't know	12

# 31. Do you think that the fundamentals of the US economy are...(ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP)

1. Very strong	18
2. Somewhat strong	32
3. Somewhat weak	29
4. Very weak	14
5. Don't Know	8
TOTAL STRONG	49
TOTAL WEAK	43

## 32. Do you think that the fundamentals of China's economy are...(ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP)

1. Very strong	9
2. Somewhat strong	27
3. Somewhat weak	26
4. Very weak	13
5. Don't Know	24
TOTAL STRONG	36
TOTAL WEAK	39

### 33. Do you think that the fundamentals of the global economy are...(ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP)

1. Very strong	8
2. Somewhat strong	26
3. Somewhat weak	37
4. Very weak	12
5. Don't Know	17
TOTAL STRONG	34
TOTAL WEAK	49

34. Given the recent trends in the economy and stock market, which statement comes closest to describing how you have or have not been personally impacted by those events? (ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP)

1.	I have been personally impacted	32
2.	I haven't been personally impacted yet but am seriously concerned that I might be	35
3.	These events are very concerning but I don't think they will impact me personally.	23
4.	Don't know	9

For each of the following descriptions, to what extent does each term describe or not describe how you feel about the current state of investing in the US economy and stock market: (ROTATE LIST)

	DEFNITELY DESCRIBES	SOMEWHAT DESCRIBES	SOMEWHAT DOES NOT DESCRIBE	DOES NOT DESCRIBE AT ALL	DON'T KNOW
35. Confident	15	24	26	26	9
36. Optimistic	15	30	22	23	8
37. Cautious	36	37	12	7	8
38. Uncertain	33	33	16	10	8
39. Scared	23	29	21	20	7
40. Frustrated	25	32	15	18	10
41. Focusing on the long term investment picture rather than acting on current market trends	27	33	17	12	12

### 42. Which of the following best describes how either you or your spouse has invested? (ROTATE 1-4)

1.	Stocks or mutual fund only (GO TO Q43)	10	
2.	401K, IRA, retirement fund only (GO TO Q43)	27	
3.	Bonds only (GO TO Q44)	3	
4.	Combination of stocks, IRA/retirement funds, and/or bonds (GO TO Q43)	27	
5.	None of these (GO TO Q44)	28	
6.	Don't know (GO TO Q44)	5	

43. (AMONG THOSE ANSWERING 1, 2, OR 4 IN Q42 ONLY) Looking ahead over the next six months, do you think that you will invest more money in the stock market, take money out of the stock market, or will you not change your investments at all? (ROTATE)

1.	Invest more money in the stock market	23
2.	Take money out of the stock market	14
3.	No change in investments	56
4.	Don't know	7

#### **RESUME WITH ALL**

44. Looking ahead over the next six months, do you believe the stock market will (ROTATE) improve, remain at current levels, or decline? (ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP)

1.	Improve	40
2.	Remain at current levels	21
З.	Decline	27
4.	Don't know	12

#### **HEALTH CARE**

### 45. How serious do you view the situation involving the coronavirus? (ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP)

1. Very serious	71
2. Somewhat serious	18
3. Somewhat not serious	6
4. Not at all serious	1
5. Don't know	4
TOTAL SERIOUS	89
TOTAL NOT SERIOUS	7

46. Overall would you say that you approve or disapprove of the job Donald Trump is doing in handling the current health situation involving the coronavirus?

1. Approve	47
2. Disapprove	44
3. Don't know	10

47. How confident or not confident are you in our public health system to handle the coronavirus? (ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP)

1. Very confident	21
2. Somewhat confident	40
3. Somewhat not confident	21
4. Not at all confident	14
5. Don't know	4
TOTAL CONFIDENT	61
TOTAL NOT CONFIDENT	35

# 48. Do you think the situation with the coronavirus is... (ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP)

1. Starting to improve	11
2. Staying about the same	15
3. Getting worse	56
4. Too soon to tell	13
5. Don't know	4

# 49. Generally speaking, would you say the state of scientific discovery including development of a vaccine or cure for the coronavirus is headed in the right direction, or are things seriously headed off on the wrong track?

1. Right Direction	57
2. Don't Know	31
3. Wrong Track	12

50. Would you say the pace of development of a vaccine or cure for the coronavirus is going faster than you expected, slower than you expected, or about like you expected?

1. Faster than you expected	19
2. About like you expected	42
3. Slower than you expected	26
4. Don't Know	13

### For each of the following, do you have a strongly favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, or strongly unfavorable impression? (ROTATE)

	NAME ID	TOTAL FAV	TOTAL UNFAV	NO OPINION
51. FDA (Food and Drug Administration)	100	64	25	10
52. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)	100	76	16	7

#### 53. Do you approve or disapprove of the economic relief bill recently passed by Congress?

1.	Approve	69
2.	Disapprove	15
З.	Don't know	15

#### 54. Do you think that the economic relief bill passed by Congress contained...?

1. More good than bad	38
2. About equal good and bad	39
3. More bad than good	12
4. Don't Know	10

55. Do you think that you or will not be personally helped by the economic relief bill recently passed by Congress?

1.	Will be personally helped	53
2.	Will not be personally helped	29
3.	Don't Know	18

56. In thinking about the impact on limiting the spread of coronavirus, do you think that current social distancing measures such as cancelling large events and closing non-essential businesses like restaurants are...

1. Helping a great deal	51
2. Helping somewhat	40
3. Not helping at all	4
4. Don't Know	5

#### 57. Do you think that current social distancing measures are...

1. Too strict and are overreacting	10
2. About right	45
3. Not strict enough and should go farther	39
4. Don't Know	6

### 58. While all the following are important, which would you say is the most important metric to understand if the spread of coronavirus is decreasing: (ROTATE)

1. Actual number of new daily cases decreases	29
2. The percentage of people testing positive decreases	21
3. Actual number of deaths decreases	12
4. Rate of increase of new daily cases decreases	27
5. Don't Know	11

59. Based on your answer to the previous question, what number of consecutive days of this occurring would you think would be needed as effective proof that the spread of coronavirus is decreasing? (ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP)

1. 3 days	3
2. 7 days	9
3. 10 days	11
4. 14 days	25
5. 21 days	38
6. Don't Know	14

#### 60. Which of the following health care systems would be better? (ROTATE)

1. The current system	42
2. Single payer/Medicare for all	39
3. Don't Know	19

#### 61. Which of the following health care systems would be best? (ROTATE)

1. The current system	18
2. Single payer/Medicare for all	27
3. A modernized health care system	40
4. Don't Know	15

62. Do you believe or not believe this statement: Given the current crisis, the choice between focusing on either the coronavirus or the economy is a false choice. Policymakers can address both without impeding the response to coronavirus and getting the economy moving in the right direction.

1. Believe	57
2. Do not believe	23
3. Don't Know	20

For each of the following, do you have a strongly favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, or strongly unfavorable impression? (ROTATE 63-64)

	NAME ID	TOTAL FAV	TOTAL UNFAV	NO OPINION
63. Republicans in the US Senate	99	43	49	8
64. Democrats in the US Senate	99	45	47	8

# 65. In the 2018 election, for which candidate did you vote for US Congress from your Congressional district? (ROTATE answer options 1-2)

1. Republican candidate	39
2. Democratic candidate	42
3. Third party candidate/Other	5
4. Did not vote in that election	8
5. Don't Know	6

Now just a few demographic questions for statistical purposes only-

66. In what year were you born?

1. 18-34	23
2. 35-44	21
3. 45-54	19
4. 55-64	19
5. 65+	18

67. Generally speaking, do you consider yourself (ROTATE) a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or something else?

1.	Republican (GO TO Q69)	33
2.	Democrat (GO TO Q68)	38
3.	Independent (GO TO Q68)	22
4.	Other (GO TO Q68)	5
5.	Don't Know (GO TO Q68)	2

68. (AMONG DEMOCRATS, INDEPENDENTS, OTHER, AND DON'T KNOW ONLY) If the Democratic Presidential Primaries were held today, for which candidate would you be most likely to vote? (ROTATE LIST 1-3)

1. Joe Biden	48
2. Bernie Sanders	27
3. Someone else (SPECIFY)	2
4. I do not plan to vote in the Democratic Presidential Primary	14
5. Don't know	10

#### **RESUME WITH ALL**

### 69. If you had to classify yourself, would you say you are very liberal, somewhat liberal, moderate, somewhat conservative or very conservative in your political beliefs?

1. Very Liberal	11
2. Somewhat Liberal	15
3. Moderate	36
4. Somewhat Conservative	21
5. Very Conservative	13
6. Don't Know	4

#### 70. Are there children in your household under the age of 18 years old?

1. Yes		31
2. No		66
3. Don't Kr	Śnow	3

#### 71. What is your current marital status?

1.	Single, never married	28
2.	Married	53
3.	Separated	3
4.	Divorced	10
5.	Widowed	5
6.	Don't Know	1

### 72. What is the annual income of your household before taxes? Is it...

	1.	Less than 15K	12
	2.	15K-30K	14
;	3.	30K-50K	19
	4.	50K-75K	17
4	5.	75K-100K	12
	6.	100-200K	18
	7.	Over 200K	5
1	8.	Don't Know	4

### 73. What is your religion?

1.	Evangelical Protestant	12
2.	Mainline Protestant	13
3.	Catholic	28
4.	Jewish	4
5.	Mormon	2
6.	Atheist/Agnostic	13
7.	Other	23
8.	Don't Know	6

### 74. What is your race?

1.	Hispanic	12
2.	African-American	12
3.	Asian	3
4.	White	70
5.	Other	1
6.	Don't Know	2

#### 75. Do you or anyone in your household belong to a labor union?

1. Yes	12
2. No	85
3. Don't know	3

#### 76. What was the last grade of school that you completed?

1.	Did not complete high school	1
2.	High school graduate	23
3.	Attended college but received no degree	24
4.	Associates degree	11
5.	College graduate – Bachelors	24
6.	Postgraduate study or degree	17

# 77. Many people consider themselves "living paycheck to paycheck" in terms of their personal financial situations. Do you consider yourself to be in that category?

1.	Yes	50
2.	No	45
3.	Don't know	5

#### 78. What is your employment status?

1.	Employed, full time	40
2.	Employed, part-time	9
3.	Unemployed	10
4.	Self-employed	5
5.	Homemaker	7
6.	Student	4
7.	Retired	24
8.	Don't Know	1

# 79. In the 2016 presidential election, for which presidential candidate did you vote? (ROTATE answer options 1-2, then 3-4)

	1.	Donald Trump, the Republican candidate	42	
1	2.	Hillary Clinton, Democratic candidate	38	
ć	3.	Gary Johnson, the Libertarian candidate	4	
4	4.	Jill Stein, the Green Party candidate	2	
ł	5.	Other (SPECIFY)	1	
(	6.	Did not vote in presidential race	10	
	7.	Don't Know	3	

#### 80. Generally speaking, how do you vote?

1. Straight Republican	17
2. Mostly Republican	17
3. Slightly more Republican than Democrat	9
4. Split your ticket evenly	9
5. Slightly more Democrat than Republican	8
6. Mostly Democrat	18
7. Straight Democrat	16
8. Don't Know	6

## 81. About how much do you have in investments such as stocks, a 401k, IRA or mutual funds? (ROTATE)

1.	None	26
2.	\$1-\$25,000	16
3.	\$25,001-\$50,000	9
4.	\$50,001-\$100,000	11
5.	\$100,001-\$500,000	16
6.	More than \$500,000	12
7.	Don't know	9

### 82. What type of area do you live in?

1. Urban	27
2. Suburban	53
3. Rural	20

#### Gender

1. Male	48
2. Female	52

### Region

1.	Northeast	18
2.	South	26
3.	Midwest	21
4.	Plains/Mountains	22
5.	West Coast	14