



**WINNING THE ISSUES NATIONAL SURVEY**  
**1,000 Registered Voters**  
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In thinking about this year’s election for Congress, based on a 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: 7.82**

**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	<b>33</b>
2. Don't Know	<b>10</b>
3. Wrong Track	<b>57</b>

**2. Overall would you say that you approve or disapprove of the job Joe Biden is doing as President?**

1. Approve	<b>44</b>
2. Don't know	<b>8</b>
3. Disapprove	<b>48</b>

**For each of the following, do you have a strongly favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, or strongly unfavorable impression? (ROTATE 3-4 THEN 5-7, THEN 8)**

	NAME ID	TOTAL FAVORABLE	TOTAL UNFAVORABLE	NO OPINION
<b>3. Republicans in Congress</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>4. Democrats in Congress</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>5. Joe Biden</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>6. Donald Trump</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>7. Nancy Pelosi</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>8. The police</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>7</b>

**9. 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	8
3. Retirement and Investments	1
4. Terrorism	3
5. Health care	10
6. The Economy	28
7. Jobs	2
8. Taxes	3
9. Crime and Safety	5
10. Environment/Climate Change	6
11. National Defense/Foreign Affairs	5
12. National Deficit/Spending	3
13. Energy	2
14. Gas prices	7
15. Immigration	6
16. Other	3
17. Prescription Drugs	1
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 10-19)**

	REPUBLICAN PARTY	DEMOCRATIC PARTY	DON'T KNOW
<b>10. The Economy</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>11. Jobs</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>12. Taxes</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>13. Health care</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>14. Crime and safety</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>15. Education</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>16. Foreign policy</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>17. Energy</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>18. Gas Prices</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>19. Inflation</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>18</b>

**20. 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	<b>43</b>
2. Lean Republican	<b>2</b>
3. Undecided	<b>11</b>
4. Lean Democrat	<b>2</b>
5. Democrat	<b>41</b>
TOTAL REPUBLICAN	<b>45</b>
TOTAL DEMOCRAT	<b>44</b>

## **ECONOMY**

**21. 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	<b>33</b>
2. Don't Know	<b>12</b>
3. Wrong Track	<b>55</b>

**22. Overall would you say that you approve or disapprove of the job Joe Biden is doing in handling the economy?**

1. Approve	<b>42</b>
2. Disapprove	<b>51</b>
3. Don't know	<b>7</b>

**23. Overall would you say that you approve or disapprove of the job Joe Biden is doing in handling inflation?**

1. Approve	<b>36</b>
2. Disapprove	<b>54</b>
3. Don't know	<b>10</b>

**24. Overall would you say that you approve or disapprove of the job Joe Biden is doing in handling gas prices?**

1. Approve	<b>32</b>
2. Disapprove	<b>59</b>
3. Don't know	<b>9</b>

**25. Do you think President Biden's economic policies are correct or incorrect?**

1. Correct	<b>39</b>
2. Incorrect	<b>47</b>
3. Don't know	<b>14</b>

**26. Which of the following items is giving you the most difficulty? (ROTATE – CHOOSE TWO)**

1. Cost of health care and insurance	<b>19</b>
2. Taxes	<b>15</b>
3. Gas prices	<b>57</b>
4. Food costs	<b>44</b>
5. Mortgage	<b>6</b>
6. Household utilities and goods	<b>18</b>
7. Cost of education and student loans	<b>7</b>
8. None of these	<b>7</b>
9. Don't Know	<b>1</b>

**Do you believe or not believe the following statements: (ROTATE 27-28)**

**27. Government policies under President Biden and Democrats in Congress have caused inflation to increase and prices to go up.**

1. Believe	<b>59</b>
2. Do not believe	<b>31</b>
3. Don't know	<b>10</b>

**28. Because of government spending policies, I am paying more in higher prices.**

1. Believe	<b>64</b>
2. Do not believe	<b>24</b>
3. Don't know	<b>12</b>

**29. In thinking about inflation, which statement do you agree with more? (ROTATE 1-2)**

1. Inflation has been happening long before now	<b>36</b>
2. Inflation has been accelerated because of current government policies	<b>56</b>
3. I do not think significant inflation is happening	<b>3</b>
4. Don't know	<b>5</b>

**30. Do you think that recent increases in gas prices are the result of....? (ROTATE)**

1. New environmental policies put into place by President Biden, such as stopping the Keystone Pipeline and halting new oil and gas leasing on federal lands	<b>50</b>
2. Price gouging by oil and gas companies	<b>40</b>
3. Don't Know	<b>10</b>

**ENERGY**

**31. Do you believe or not believe this statement: Given the difficult energy situation we find ourselves in, we have to do everything: maximize drilling, maximize developing alternative energies, maximize nuclear power, and maximize conservation.**

1. Believe	<b>67</b>
2. Do not believe	<b>17</b>
3. Don't Know	<b>16</b>

**32. In thinking about the country's energy future, which statement do you agree with more? (ROTATE)**

1. It is possible to continue relying on oil and gas to meet present energy needs, but at the same time, working toward transitioning over to alternative energy. We have to do both.	<b>64</b>
2. We have no choice but to reduce reliance on oil and gas even if it means higher costs, because that is the only way to ensure a transition to alternative energy.	<b>27</b>
3. Don't Know	<b>10</b>

**33. Who do you agree with more? (ROTATE)**

1. Democrats who say climate change is an urgent moral imperative, and that the costs of failing to address climate change will ultimately be greater than the economic cost of policies to address climate change.	<b>38</b>
2. Republicans who say we need an "all of the above" approach to energy and caring for the environment. We need to maximize our nation's energy resources including investing in and incentivizing clean and renewable energy.	<b>50</b>
3. Don't Know	<b>11</b>

**HEALTH CARE**

**34. How well or not well do you think the US health care system is working? (ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP)**

1. Very well	<b>15</b>
2. Somewhat well	<b>39</b>
3. Somewhat not well	<b>26</b>
4. Not well at all	<b>15</b>
5. Don't know	<b>4</b>
TOTAL WELL	<b>54</b>
TOTAL NOT WELL	<b>42</b>

**35. Do you believe or not believe this statement: The status quo in health care is not acceptable.**

1. Believe	<b>57</b>
2. Do not believe	<b>22</b>
3. Don't know	<b>21</b>

**36. Do you have a wearable device to monitor or track fitness or health like a Fitbit or Apple Watch?**

1. Yes	<b>39</b>
2. No	<b>58</b>
3. Don't know	<b>2</b>

**37. Have you ever done an in-home medical test such as a COVID test?**

1. Yes	<b>40</b>
2. No	<b>58</b>
3. Don't know	<b>2</b>

## **VIDEOS**

**You will be shown two short videos, one from a Republican and one from a Democrat.**

**(ROTATE VIDEO ORDER – VIDEO A with 38-42, VIDEO B with 43-47)**

**(FIRST 500 – VIDEO A, THEN VIDEO B; SECOND 500 – VIDEO B, THEN VIDEO A)**

### **VIDEO A- GOP CRIME AND SAFETY MESSAGE**

**38. As you watch this video, please identify if the content you are seeing is making you more or less favorable to Republicans. Use a 1-9 scale, with 1 being much less favorable, 5 being neutral, and 9 being much more favorable.**

**MEAN: 6.43**

**Do you believe or not believe the following statements: (ROTATE 39-42)**

**39. Families, communities and small businesses are being endangered by the devastating effects of rhetoric about defunding the police.**

1. Believe	<b>60</b>
2. Do not believe	<b>27</b>
3. Don't Know	<b>13</b>

**40. Families, communities and small businesses are being endangered by local prosecutors not enforcing the law and releasing violent criminals without bail.**

1. Believe	<b>63</b>
2. Do not believe	<b>26</b>
3. Don't Know	<b>11</b>

**41. Republicans believe laws should be fully enforced and funding for police departments should be increased to provide the training and equipment that police officers need to ensure maximum safety.**

1. Believe	<b>66</b>
2. Do not believe	<b>24</b>
3. Don't Know	<b>10</b>

**42. Republicans will stand with law enforcement in their efforts to ensure the safety of our communities and the protection of America's families and children.**

1. Believe	<b>61</b>
2. Do not believe	<b>27</b>
3. Don't Know	<b>12</b>



**VIDEO B – DEMOCRATIC CRIME AND SAFETY MESSAGE**

**43. As you watch this video, please identify if the content you saw made you more or less favorable to Democrats. Use a 1-9 scale, with 1 being much less favorable, 5 being neutral, and 9 being much more favorable.**

**MEAN: 5.80**

**Do you believe or not believe the following statements: (ROTATE 44-47)**

**44. Stronger law enforcement is critical in stopping gun violence, but it's made more effective when we make real investments in making our communities stronger and in addressing the causes of crime before it spills over into violence.**

1. Believe	<b>63</b>
2. Do not believe	<b>27</b>
3. Don't Know	<b>11</b>

**45. We need a comprehensive approach to law enforcement that makes sure cities and states have the funding, training and know-how they need to invest in proven tactics, including community policing, street outreach, and youth programs.**

1. Believe	<b>63</b>
2. Do not believe	<b>26</b>
3. Don't Know	<b>11</b>

**46. Democrats will focus on law enforcement efforts to deal with violent offenders.**

1. Believe	<b>44</b>
2. Do not believe	<b>43</b>
3. Don't Know	<b>13</b>

**47. Democrats will stem the trafficking of illegal guns and make real investments in communities to prevent gun violence and keep our families safe.**

1. Believe	<b>43</b>
2. Do not believe	<b>43</b>
3. Don't Know	<b>14</b>

**48. Having lost school time due to the schools shutting down in response to coronavirus and given that many students have attended school this year in a distance learning environment, do you think students generally at the end of this coming academic year will be ... (ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP)**

1. About where they would have been normally at the end of a typical school year	<b>14</b>
2. Slightly behind where they would normally have been at the end of a typical school year	<b>20</b>
3. Somewhat behind where they would normally have been at the end of a typical school year	<b>29</b>
4. Significantly behind where they would normally have been at the end of a typical school year	<b>29</b>
5. Don't know	<b>9</b>

**49. In thinking about the disruptions to learning due to the school closures that K-12 students experienced during the pandemic, how much of an impact do you think this will have on our national economy? (ROTATE 1 and 3)**

1. Little or no impact	<b>17</b>
2. Some impact	<b>44</b>
3. A great deal of impact	<b>31</b>
4. Don't know	<b>8</b>

**50. Who do you agree with more? (ROTATE)**

1. Republicans who say we need an all of the above approach to energy that includes expanding alternative energy, building nuclear power plants, opening up new areas to drilling, and creating new incentives for conservation	<b>49</b>
2. Democrats who say we need to address climate change and focus on alternative energy and conservation, and oppose fossil fuels and building nuclear power plants	<b>41</b>
3. Don't know	<b>11</b>

**Now just a few demographic questions for statistical purposes only—**

**51. In what year were you born?**

1. 18-34	<b>17</b>
2. 35-44	<b>19</b>
3. 45-54	<b>20</b>
4. 55-64	<b>21</b>
5. 65+	<b>23</b>

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

1. Republican	<b>35</b>
2. Democrat	<b>37</b>
3. Independent	<b>25</b>
4. Other	<b>2</b>
5. Don't Know	<b>1</b>

**53. 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	<b>11</b>
2. Somewhat Liberal	<b>12</b>
3. Moderate	<b>38</b>
4. Somewhat Conservative	<b>21</b>
5. Very Conservative	<b>15</b>
6. Don't Know	<b>3</b>

**54. Are there children in your household under the age of 18 years old?**

1. Yes	<b>33</b>
2. No	<b>67</b>
3. Don't Know	<b>*</b>

**55. What is your current marital status?**

1. Single, never married	<b>27</b>
2. Married	<b>55</b>
3. Separated	<b>2</b>
4. Divorced	<b>12</b>
5. Widowed	<b>4</b>
6. Don't Know	<b>*</b>

**56. What is the annual income of your household before taxes? Is it...**

1. Less than 15K	<b>8</b>
2. 15K-30K	<b>14</b>
3. 30K-50K	<b>17</b>
4. 50K-75K	<b>20</b>
5. 75K-100K	<b>15</b>
6. 100-200K	<b>19</b>
7. Over 200K	<b>4</b>
8. Don't Know	<b>2</b>

**57. What is your religion?**

1. Evangelical Protestant	<b>15</b>
2. Mainline Protestant	<b>12</b>
3. Catholic	<b>30</b>
4. Jewish	<b>5</b>
5. Mormon	<b>2</b>
6. Atheist/Agnostic	<b>9</b>
7. Other	<b>23</b>
8. Don't Know	<b>5</b>

**58. What is your race?**

1. Hispanic	<b>13</b>
2. African-American	<b>12</b>
3. Asian	<b>3</b>
4. White	<b>69</b>
5. Other	<b>3</b>
6. Don't Know	<b>-</b>

**59. Do you or anyone in your household belong to a labor union?**

1. Yes	<b>16</b>
2. No	<b>82</b>
3. Don't know	<b>2</b>

**60. What was the last grade of school that you completed?**

1. Did not complete high school	<b>1</b>
2. High school graduate	<b>21</b>
3. Attended college but received no degree	<b>24</b>
4. Associates degree	<b>13</b>
5. College graduate – Bachelors	<b>25</b>
6. Postgraduate study or degree	<b>16</b>

**61. What is your employment status?**

1. Employed, full time	<b>39</b>
2. Employed, part-time	<b>10</b>
3. Unemployed	<b>7</b>
4. Self-employed	<b>7</b>
5. Homemaker	<b>6</b>
6. Student	<b>3</b>
7. Retired	<b>28</b>
8. Don't Know	<b>1</b>

**62. What type of area do you live in?**

1. Urban	<b>32</b>
2. Suburban	<b>45</b>
3. Rural	<b>23</b>

**Gender**

1. Male	<b>48</b>
2. Female	<b>52</b>

**Region**

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