



**WINNING THE ISSUES NATIONAL SURVEY
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1,000 REGISTERED VOTERS**

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: 7.97

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	21
2. Don't Know	12
3. Wrong Track	68

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

1. Approve	36
2. Don't know	10
3. Disapprove	54

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)

	NAME ID	TOTAL FAV	TOTAL UNFAV	NO OPINION
3. Republicans in Congress	100	39	54	7
4. Democrats in Congress	100	39	54	7
5. Joe Biden	100	40	56	5
6. Donald Trump	100	38	58	4
7. Nancy Pelosi	99	31	58	9

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

1. Education	2
2. Social Security	6
3. Retirement and Investments	1
4. Terrorism	1
5. Health care	6
6. The Economy	23
7. Jobs	2
8. Taxes	2
9. Crime and Safety	5
10. Environment/Climate Change	5
11. National Defense/Foreign Affairs	2
12. National Deficit/Spending	2
13. Energy	1
14. Gas prices	4
15. Immigration	6
16. Inflation	19
17. Abortion	9
18. Prescription Drugs	*
19. Other	2
20. Don't know	3

Which party do you have more confidence in to handle each of the following issues - (ROTATE) the Republican Party or the Democratic Party? (ROTATE 9-18)

	REPUBLICAN PARTY	DEMOCRATIC PARTY	DON'T KNOW
9. The Economy	47	38	15
10. Jobs	45	40	16
11. Taxes	46	40	15
12. Health care	36	47	17
13. Abortion	32	49	18
14. Guns	39	44	17
15. Energy	42	42	16
16. Gas Prices	47	35	18

17. Inflation	48	34	18
18. Immigration	46	40	14

19. 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		2
3. Undecided		12
4. Lean Democrat		3
5. Democrat		44
TOTAL REPUBLICAN		41
TOTAL DEMOCRAT		47

ECONOMY

20. 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		21
2. Don't Know		13
3. Wrong Track		66

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

1. Approve		33
2. Disapprove		57
3. Don't know		10

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

1. Approve	30
2. Disapprove	61
3. Don't know	10

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

1. Correct	29
2. Incorrect	51
3. Don't know	20

24. Do you think President Biden's energy policies are correct or incorrect?

1. Correct	37
2. Incorrect	48
3. Don't know	14

25. Do you think that the level of inflation that the country is experiencing was or was not necessary as a result of the nation's recovery from COVID?

1. Was necessary	28
2. Was not necessary	59
3. Don't know	13

26. Do you think that the US is or is not in a recession?

1. Is	61
2. Is not	25
3. Don't know	15

Do you believe or not believe the following statements: (ROTATE 27-35)

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

1. Believe	52
2. Do not believe	36
3. Don't know	12

28. President Biden's policies on climate change have caused gas prices to go up.

1. Believe	44
2. Do not believe	40
3. Don't know	15

29. Because Congress has not taken action as it should on climate change, President Biden should declare a state of climate emergency.

1. Believe	34
2. Do not believe	46
3. Don't know	21

30. Social media presents a mental health risk to children.

1. Believe	68
2. Do not believe	18
3. Don't know	14

31. Social media companies knowingly make their products addictive to kids, harming their mental health.

1. Believe	65
2. Do not believe	19
3. Don't know	15

32. Gas prices are going down significantly.

1. Believe	23
2. Do not believe	67
3. Don't know	10

33. In filing individual income taxes, 91% use the standard deduction and did not itemize.

1. Believe	47
2. Do not believe	16
3. Don't know	37

34. Tax cuts from the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act are set to expire after 2025. When this occurs the standard deduction will change from \$12,950 to \$6,350.

1. Believe	27
2. Do not believe	20
3. Don't know	53

35. We need to raise taxes right now to deal with inflation.

1. Believe	16
2. Do not believe	65
3. Don't know	19

36. While both may be important factors in causing high inflation, which is the more important cause? (ROTATE)

1. Government spending policies	54
2. Factors that could not have been predicted, such as the war in Ukraine	38
3. Don't know	8

HEALTH CARE

Do you believe or not believe the following statements: (ROTATE 37-39)

37. Health care is not a commodity, but is unique to your health and situation.

1. Believe	61
2. Do not believe	20
3. Don't know	19

38. We need to modernize the health care system to lower costs, protect your choice of doctor, and move toward personalized medicine.

1. Believe	76
2. Do not believe	11
3. Don't know	13

39. In light of what has just happened with the coronavirus, this has caused me to be more conscious of my health in the future.

1. Believe	67
2. Do not believe	25
3. Don't know	9

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

1. The current system	12
2. A system that builds off of the Affordable Care Act	24
3. A modernized health care system	46
4. Don't Know	17

41. Which is the better approach for the current U.S. health care system? (ROTATE)

1. Repeal Obamacare	23
2. Modernize our health care system	64
3. Don't Know	12

42. In thinking about health care, who do you agree with more? (ROTATE)

1. Democrats who say we need to protect and expand Americans' access to quality, affordable health care. We should build on the Affordable Care Act to meet the health care needs created by the pandemic, reduce health care costs, and make our health care system less complex to navigate.	41
2. Republicans who say we need to modernize the health care system to improve quality of health and lower health care costs. We can help all Americans live better, healthier, and longer lives by providing access to new medicines and cures, personalized health care that is unique to you and your health situation, and lowering out-of-pocket spending on drugs.	46
3. Don't know	13

OVERSIGHT

43. Do you think that federal government agencies...? (ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP)

1. Have gotten too powerful	59
2. Are not powerful enough	12
3. Their power is about right	15
4. Don't Know	14

44. Do you think that the IRS...? (ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP)

1. Has gotten too powerful	49
2. Is not powerful enough	12
3. Its power is about right	24
4. Don't Know	15

45. While all of these goals may be important to you, what should be the most important goal of Congressional oversight of federal government agencies? (ROTATE 1-5)

A. What is your first choice?

B. What is your second choice?

	FIRST CHOICE	SECOND CHOICE	COMBINED
1. Pursuing truth	10	14	24
2. Rooting out corruption	22	21	43
3. Stopping abuse of power	29	22	52
4. Increasing transparency	12	14	26
5. Increasing accountability	21	23	44
6. Don't know	6	1	6

PROPOSALS

On a scale of 1-9 with 1 being not important at all, 5 important and 9 extremely important, how important are each of the following priorities that address challenges people are facing? (ROTATE LIST)

	MEAN
46. Use Constitutional oversight powers to pursue the truth	6.68
47. Conduct Oversight aimed at rooting out corruption and abuse of power.	7.22
48. Use the power of Congress to provide transparency and accountability to the American people	7.24
49. Limit the government's erosion of our freedoms under the Constitution and uphold free speech	7.05
50. Protect those most vulnerable and defend the unborn	6.01
51. Protect religious liberty	6.23
52. Safeguard the Second Amendment	6.00
53. Preserve the Constitutional right to an abortion and woman's right to choose	6.31
54. Ensure faith in free and fair elections	7.56
55. Require voter ID	6.97
56. Require states to update voter rolls to remove voters who have died or moved	7.27
57. Prohibit mailing live ballots	4.92
58. Stopping drug cartel activity at the border	7.28

EDUCATION

59. Do you think grade inflation in US high schools is ... ?

1. A widespread problem	40
2. An isolated problem	17
3. Not a problem at all	6
4. Don't know	36

60. In thinking about our ability to effectively prepare a workforce for the future, do you think grade inflation (ROTATE) helps or hurts our ability to prepare a workforce, or does it have no impact at all? (ROTATE 1-2)

1. Helps	10
2. Hurts	51
3. No impact	10
4. Don't know	28

ABORTION

61. The Supreme Court recently overturned the Roe versus Wade decision on abortion. Which proposal would you prefer? (ROTATE)

1. Congress should pass a federal law to codify Roe versus Wade to ensure a woman's right to choose.	54
2. We should defer to states to allow them to set their own laws regarding abortion in their states.	36
3. Don't know	10

62. While both may be important to you, which matters more to you in thinking about the elections this fall? (ROTATE)

1. A candidate's position on abortion	29
2. A candidate's position on the economy and inflation	62
3. Don't know	9

CONTRASTS

(ROTATE 63-71)

63. Who do you agree with more? (ROTATE)

1. Republicans who say we need to effectively address inflation by increasing domestic oil and gas production immediately. This will not only lower gas prices, but also transportation costs of food and other goods.	47
2. Democrats who say that because of President Biden's policies, gas prices are starting to come down. Additionally, we need to strengthen our supply chain, stop price gouging and make the wealthiest and corporations pay their fair share to help deal with inflation.	44
3. Don't know	9

64. Who do you agree with more? (ROTATE)

1. Republicans who say we need to reduce regulations that hamper the supply chain and make it more difficult for businesses to produce needed products. Reducing regulations will strengthen our supply chain and restock our shelves with needed food and products.	45
2. Democrats who say the supply chain problem is because of the pandemic and the lack of goods that have been available as a result. Steps have been taken to improve port operations and help transportation move food and consumer products. Reducing needed regulations will not improve shipping goods and will only expose consumers to unhealthy risks.	44
3. Don't know	10

65. Who do you agree with more? (ROTATE)

1. Republicans who say we need to reduce the cost of groceries by reducing the cost of fuel through increasing domestic oil and gas production.	47
2. Democrats who say we need to reduce the cost of groceries by stopping oil companies from price gouging which is driving up the cost of fuel needed to transport food and other consumer products.	43
3. Don't know	10

66. Who do you agree with more? (ROTATE)

1. Republicans who say we need to be energy independent so that we don't have the immediate and long-term problem of being reliant on Russia and the Middle East to meet our energy needs.	52
2. Democrats who say we need to speed up the transition from fossil fuels to alternative energy so that we can save the planet from effects of climate change. We should not let immediate problems deter the need for addressing climate change.	41
3. Don't know	8

67. Who do you agree with more? (ROTATE)

1. Republicans who say that across America, violent crime is escalating. Families, communities and small businesses are being endangered by the devastating effects of rhetoric about defunding the police and by local prosecutors not enforcing the law and releasing violent criminals without bail. We believe laws should be fully enforced and that funding for police departments should be increased to provide the training and equipment that police officers need to ensure maximum safety. We stand with law enforcement to ensure the safety of our communities and the protection of America's families and children.	47
2. Democrats who say we need a focus on law enforcement efforts to deal with violent offenders, stem the trafficking of illegal guns, and make real investments in communities to prevent gun violence and keep our families safe. Additionally we need a comprehensive approach 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.	44
3. Don't know	8

68. Who do you agree with more? (ROTATE)

1. Republicans who say we can make energy cleaner and more affordable and reduce emissions without killing jobs or increasing costs for Americans.	51
2. Democrats who say we need to move as quickly as possible to eliminate the use of fossil fuels and move to alternative energy to address climate change, even if in the short term there are some challenges to the country in terms of the cost of fuel.	40
3. Don't know	9

69. Who do you agree with more? (ROTATE)

1. Republicans who say we need to modernize our health care system which will help Americans lead healthier lives by providing access to new medicines and cures which will improve health outcomes for all Americans and lower the cost of health care and drugs.	45
2. Democrats who say we need to lower the cost of prescription drugs by allowing Medicare to negotiate drug prices. Additionally, additional funds are needed to support the Affordable Care Act which will lower the cost of health insurance.	45
3. Don't know	10

70. Who do you agree with more? (ROTATE)

1. Republicans who say America should be in the top ten countries in the world for reading, math and science, and want to ensure parents' voices are heard when it comes to their child's education.	46
2. Democrats who say it is important to ensure public schools get the funding they need to ensure a quality education, and that those funds should not be diverted to charter and religious schools which would negatively impact the quality of what public schools can achieve.	45
3. Don't know	9

71. Who do you agree with more? (ROTATE)

1. Republicans who say we need to modernize and secure our electrical power grid to prevent rolling blackouts. This means focusing on an all of the above energy strategy to ensure that enough electricity is available to meet the country's needs.	49
2. Democrats who say we have to move to clean energy and there will be a transition period as we move away from fossil fuels to electricity. To secure our electrical grid, we need to invest in building wind turbines and solar panels to meet all our energy needs by 2030.	42
3. Don't know	10

Now just a few demographic questions for statistical purposes only—

72. In what year were you born?

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

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

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

74. 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	9
2. Somewhat Liberal	14
3. Moderate	38
4. Somewhat Conservative	21
5. Very Conservative	15
6. Don't Know	3

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

1. Yes (GO TO Q76)	27
2. No (GO TO Q78)	72
3. Don't Know (GO TO Q78)	1

Q76-77 AMONG PARENTS ONLY IN Q75

76. Since the start of the pandemic, how do you think your child has been doing in terms of school?

1. Very well	35
2. Somewhat well	44
3. Somewhat not well	6
4. Not well at all	5
5. Not applicable/my child is too young to be in school	10
6. Don't know	1
TOTAL WELL	79
TOTAL NOT WELL	11

77. In thinking about issues related to your child's education, do you feel that your voice is heard?

1. Yes	58
2. No	25
3. Not applicable/my child is too young to be in school	10
4. Don't know	7

RESUME WITH ALL

78. What is your current marital status?

1. Single, never married	31
2. Married	51
3. Separated	2
4. Divorced	11
5. Widowed	5
6. Don't Know	*

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

1. Less than 15K	7
2. 15K-30K	12
3. 30K-50K	17
4. 50K-75K	18
5. 75K-100K	17
6. 100-200K	21
7. Over 200K	6
8. Don't Know	3

80. What is your religion?

1. Evangelical Protestant	15
2. Mainline Protestant	13
3. Catholic	25
4. Jewish	3
5. Mormon	1
6. Atheist/Agnostic	13
7. Other	23
8. Don't Know	7

81. What is your race?

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

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

1. Yes	13
2. No	85
3. Don't know	2

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

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

84. What is your employment status?

1. Employed, full time	42
2. Employed, part-time	9
3. Unemployed	9
4. Self-employed	5
5. Homemaker	5
6. Student	3
7. Retired	27
8. Don't Know	*

85. For which presidential candidate did you vote in the 2020 election? (ROTATE 1-2, THEN 3)

1. Donald Trump, the Republican candidate	39
2. Joe Biden, the Democratic candidate	48
3. Third party candidate/Other	4
4. Did not vote	7
5. Don't Know	2

86. What type of area do you live in?

1. Urban	29
2. Suburban	53
3. Rural	18

Gender

1. Male	48
2. Female	52

Region

1. Northeast	18
2. South	29
3. Midwest	20
4. Plains/Mountains	19
5. West Coast	14