



WINNING THE ISSUES NATIONAL SURVEY
1100 Registered Voters Who Voted in the 2022 Congressional Midterms
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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	23
2. Don't Know	10
3. Wrong Track	67

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

1. Approve	40
2. Don't know	6
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 FAVORABLE	TOTAL UNFAVORABLE	NO OPINION
3. Republicans in Congress	100	41	56	3
4. Democrats in Congress	100	44	53	3
5. Joe Biden	100	42	56	1
6. Donald Trump	99	37	60	2
7. Nancy Pelosi	99	35	59	5

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

1. Education	1
2. Social Security	5

3. Retirement and Investments	1
4. Terrorism	1
5. Health care	4
6. The Economy	25
7. Jobs	1
8. Taxes	2
9. Crime and Safety	5
10. Environment/Climate Change	4
11. National Defense/Foreign Affairs	2
12. National Deficit/Spending	1
13. Energy	1
14. Gas prices	2
15. Immigration	5
16. Inflation	22
17. Abortion	10
18. Prescription Drugs	1
19. Guns	3
20. Other	3
21. Don't know	2

Which party do you have more confidence in to handle each of the following issues - (ROTATE) the Republican Party or the Democratic Party? (ROTATE 9-16)

	REPUBLICAN PARTY	DEMOCRATIC PARTY	DON'T KNOW
9. The Economy	52	37	11
10. Jobs	47	44	10
11. Taxes	50	40	10
12. Health care	39	50	11
13. Education	41	48	11
14. Crime and safety	51	38	11
15. Gas prices	51	34	15
16. Inflation	51	36	13

**17. For which candidate did you vote for US Congress from your Congressional district?
(ROTATE 1-2, THEN 3)**

1. Republican candidate	50
2. Democratic candidate	48
3. Third party candidate/Other	1
4. Don't Know	1

(ROTATE Q18-19)

18. Overall, in thinking about what you heard from Republican Congressional candidates, did this make you more favorable or less favorable to vote for Republican candidates?

1. More favorable	45
2. Less favorable	46
3. Don't Know	10

19. Overall, in thinking about what you heard from Democratic Congressional candidates, did this make you more favorable or less favorable to vote for Democrat candidates?

1. More favorable	40
2. Less favorable	47
3. Don't Know	12

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 in deciding how you voted: (ROTATE LIST)

	MEAN
20. The economy and jobs	7.64
21. New tax increase proposals	6.87
22. Free speech and issues involving Big Tech/social media	6.24
23. Energy independence	6.94
24. The national deficit and debt	6.96
25. Immigration and the situation at the border	6.73

26. Inflation/gas prices/food and grocery costs	7.71
27. Critical race theory being taught in schools	5.42
28. Crime and safety	7.30
29. Health care/prescription drugs	6.97
30. Congressional investigation into events of January 6	5.32
31. Racial equity	5.66
32. Learning loss/New education test scores showing large declines in K-12 reading and math	6.41
33. Social Security and Medicare	7.25
34. Cultural issues such as gender identity	4.50
35. Abortion/The Supreme Court decision to overturn Roe v. Wade	6.30
36. Guns	6.43
37. Climate change	5.70
38. Threats to democracy from MAGA Republicans	5.42
39. Allegations involving Hunter Biden	4.85

(ROTATE 40-41)

40. Which one of these issues or news stories did you hear about *most* from Republican candidates? (ROTATE 1-20)

1. The economy and jobs	13
2. New tax increase proposals	2
3. Free speech and issues involving Big Tech/social media	1
4. Energy independence	2
5. The national deficit and debt	4
6. Immigration and the situation at the border	8
7. Inflation/gas prices/food and grocery costs	23
8. Critical race theory being taught in schools	2
9. Crime and safety	7
10. Health care/prescription drugs	2
11. Congressional investigation into events of January 6	2
12. Racial equity	1
13. Learning loss/New education test scores showing large declines in K-12 reading and math	1
14. Social Security and Medicare	2
15. Cultural issues such as gender identity	1

16. Abortion/The Supreme Court decision to overturn Roe v. Wade	8
17. Guns	4
18. Climate change	1
19. Threats to democracy from MAGA Republicans	3
20. Allegations involving Hunter Biden	3
21. Something else	2
22. Don't know	10

41. Which one of these issues or news stories did you hear about *most* from Democratic candidates? (ROTATE 1-20)

1. The economy and jobs	4
2. New tax increase proposals	2
3. Free speech and issues involving Big Tech/social media	*
4. Energy independence	1
5. The national deficit and debt	1
6. Immigration and the situation at the border	1
7. Inflation/gas prices/food and grocery costs	5
8. Critical race theory being taught in schools	1
9. Crime and safety	3
10. Health care/prescription drugs	3
11. Congressional investigation into events of January 6	7
12. Racial equity	4
13. Learning loss/New education test scores showing large declines in K-12 reading and math	1
14. Social Security and Medicare	3
15. Cultural issues such as gender identity	2
16. Abortion/The Supreme Court decision to overturn Roe v. Wade	28
17. Guns	3
18. Climate change	6
19. Threats to democracy from MAGA Republicans	14
20. Allegations involving Hunter Biden	1
21. Something else	1
22. Don't know	8

On a scale of 1-9 with 1 being very liberal, 5 being moderate, and 9 being very conservative, how would you rate... (ROTATE LIST Q42, THEN Q43-44, THEN Q45-47)

	MEAN
42. Your own political ideology	5.50
43. Ideology of Republicans in Congress	6.74
44. Ideology of Democrats in Congress	3.49
45. Ideology of Nancy Pelosi	3.31
46. Ideology of Joe Biden	3.56
47. Ideology of Donald Trump	6.90

ECONOMY

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

1. Approve	37
2. Disapprove	57
3. Don't know	6

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

1. Approve	32
2. Disapprove	59
3. Don't know	9

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

1. Is	63
2. Is not	23
3. Don't know	14

51. So far, has the \$1.9 trillion American Rescue Plan passed in March of last year helped the economy, hurt the economy, or made no difference? (ROTATE 1-2)

1. Helped the economy	24
2. Hurt the economy	38
3. Made no difference	28
4. Don't know	10

Do you believe or not believe the following statements? (ROTATE Q52-53)

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

1. Believe	57
2. Do not believe	32
3. Don't Know	10

53. The tax cuts passed by the Republican Congress and signed by President Trump in 2017 have caused an increase to the national deficit.

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

54. Which is more important in how you are thinking of voting in the upcoming elections for Congress? (ROTATE)

1. Cost of living and inflation	62
2. Threats to democracy	33
3. Don't Know	5

EDUCATION

55. Having lost school time due to the schools shutting down in response to coronavirus, where do you think students are in terms of learning loss? (ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP)

1. About where they normally would have been	7
2. Slightly behind where they normally would have been	19
3. Somewhat behind where they normally would have been	30
4. Significantly behind where they normally would have been	36
5. Don't know	8

Now just a few demographic questions for statistical purposes only—

56. In what year were you born?

1. 18-34	19
2. 35-44	15
3. 45-54	17
4. 55-64	21
5. 65+	28

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

1. Republican	36
2. Democrat	33
3. Independent	27
4. Other	2
5. Don't Know	2

58. 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	15
3. Moderate	38
4. Somewhat Conservative	21
5. Very Conservative	15
6. Don't Know	2

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

1. Yes	26
2. No	73
3. Don't Know	1

60. What is your current marital status?

1. Single, never married	27
2. Married	54
3. Separated	2
4. Divorced	11
5. Widowed	5
6. Don't Know	1

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

1. Less than 15K	6
2. 15K-30K	12
3. 30K-50K	16
4. 50K-75K	23
5. 75K-100K	16
6. 100-200K	20
7. Over 200K	4
8. Don't Know	4

62. What is your religion?

1. Evangelical Protestant	13
2. Mainline Protestant	13
3. Catholic	29
4. Jewish	5
5. Mormon	1
6. Atheist/Agnostic	11
7. Other	23
8. Don't Know	4

63. What is your race?

1. Hispanic	11
2. African-American	11
3. Asian	2
4. White	73
5. Other	3
6. Don't Know	*

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

1. Did not complete high school	1
2. High school graduate	15
3. Attended college but received no degree	27
4. Associates degree	15
5. College graduate – Bachelors	24
6. Postgraduate study or degree	19

65. What is your employment status?

1. Employed, full time	42
2. Employed, part-time	8
3. Unemployed	6
4. Self-employed	5
5. Homemaker	6
6. Student	2
7. Retired	31
8. Don't Know	*

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

1. Donald Trump, the Republican candidate	44
2. Joe Biden, the Democratic candidate	47
3. Third party candidate/Other	3
4. Did not vote	3
5. Don't Know	1

BALLOT TESTS

67. If the elections were held today for President, would you be more likely to vote for: (ROTATE) the Republican nominee candidate, or Joe Biden, the Democratic candidate?

1. The Republican nominee	48
2. Lean the Republican nominee	2
3. Undecided	10
4. Lean Joe Biden	3
5. Joe Biden	37
TOTAL REPUBLICAN NOMINEE	50
TOTAL JOE BIDEN	40

68. If the elections were held today for President and Donald Trump was the Republican nominee, would you be more likely to vote for: (ROTATE) Donald Trump, the Republican candidate, or Joe Biden, the Democratic candidate?

1. Donald Trump	40
2. Lean Donald Trump	3
3. Undecided	11
4. Lean Joe Biden	2
5. Joe Biden	44
TOTAL DONALD TRUMP	43
TOTAL JOE BIDEN	46

69. Do you believe or not believe this statement? Republicans will cut Social Security and Medicare.

1. Believe	42
2. Do not believe	45
3. Don't Know	13

70. Have you seen, read or heard anything about a policy agenda called the Commitment to America?

1. Yes	15
2. No	72
3. Don't Know	13

71. What type of area do you live in?

1. Urban	25
2. Suburban	54
3. Rural	21

GENDER

1. Male	48
2. Female	52

REGION

1. Northeast	23
2. South	26
3. Midwest	19
4. Plains/Mountains	19
5. West Coast	13