

# The Economist/YouGov Poll

February 12 - 15, 2022 - 1500 U.S. Adult citizens



Sample 1500 U.S. Adult citizens  
 Conducted February 12 - 15, 2022  
 Margin of Error ±2.7%

## 1. Would you say things in this country today are...

Generally headed in the right direction	27%
Off on the wrong track	60%
Not sure	13%

## 2. How would you describe the current state of the American economy?

Excellent	5%
Good	19%
Fair	28%
Poor	42%
Don't know	6%

## 3. Which do you think is a more important problem facing the U.S. today: unemployment or inflation?

Unemployment	9%
Inflation	48%
Both equal	36%
Not sure	7%

## 4. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden has been handling foreign policy?

Strongly approve	14%
Somewhat approve	24%
Somewhat disapprove	14%
Strongly disapprove	37%
Not sure	11%

## 5. How serious a threat do you think the following groups or countries pose to the United States?

	An immediate and serious threat to the U.S.	A somewhat serious threat to the U.S.	A minor threat to the U.S.	Not a threat to the U.S.	Not sure
Iran	22%	33%	22%	7%	16%
Islamic State (ISIS)	29%	32%	19%	6%	14%
Russia	39%	31%	11%	6%	14%
Taliban	23%	32%	24%	7%	14%
China	36%	32%	13%	5%	14%

6. How much do you care about what happens in each of the following places?

	A lot	A little	Not at all
Great Britain	31%	39%	29%
Israel	36%	36%	27%
Russia	38%	33%	29%
Ukraine	37%	37%	27%
Iraq	22%	44%	34%
Syria	20%	45%	35%
Afghanistan	25%	43%	33%
China	39%	35%	26%
Taiwan	29%	40%	31%
North Korea	30%	37%	33%

7. How much do you think what happens in each of the following places affects the U.S.?

	A lot	A little	Not at all
Great Britain	29%	47%	24%
Israel	35%	44%	21%
Russia	52%	33%	15%
Ukraine	34%	44%	22%
Iraq	27%	48%	24%
Syria	18%	52%	30%
Afghanistan	27%	50%	24%
China	62%	25%	13%
Taiwan	26%	49%	26%
North Korea	34%	43%	23%

8. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Volodymyr Zelensky?

Very favorable	5%
Somewhat favorable	21%
Somewhat unfavorable	12%
Very unfavorable	4%
Don't know	58%

9. How familiar are you with the principles of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) treaty?

Very familiar	13%
Somewhat familiar	39%
Not very familiar	25%
Not familiar at all	22%

10. Do you think Ukraine should be allowed to join NATO?

Yes ..... 44%  
 No ..... 16%  
 Not sure ..... 41%

11. How much, if anything, have you heard in the news recently about Russian troops moving towards the Russian border with Ukraine?

A lot ..... 49%  
 A little ..... 35%  
 Nothing at all ..... 16%

12. Do you think Russia will invade Ukraine?

Yes ..... 45%  
 No ..... 16%  
 Not sure ..... 39%

13. Do you think Russia will invade Ukraine within the next month?

*Asked of those who think Russia will invade Ukraine*

Yes ..... 67%  
 No ..... 8%  
 Not sure ..... 26%

14. Which is more important for the U.S.?

To take a strong stand so that Russia does not take over Ukraine by force ..... 50%  
 For the U.S. to maintain good relations with Russia ..... 22%  
 Not sure ..... 28%

15. Do you think each of the following courses of action would be a good idea or a bad idea?

	Good idea	Bad idea	Not sure
Imposing economic sanctions on Russia	53%	16%	31%
Sending financial aid to Ukraine	46%	21%	33%
Sending weapons to Ukraine	40%	28%	32%
Allowing Ukraine to join NATO	42%	15%	43%
Sending soldiers to Ukraine to provide help, but not to fight Russian soldiers	31%	33%	36%
Sending soldiers to Ukraine to fight Russian soldiers	14%	53%	34%
Sending troops to NATO ally countries in eastern Europe	43%	18%	38%

16. Do you think each of the following courses of action would be a good idea or a bad idea if they would prevent Russia from invading Ukraine?

	Good idea	Bad idea	Not sure
Promising Russia that Ukraine will never join NATO	15%	43%	43%
Allowing Russia greater influence in former Soviet countries	10%	54%	36%
NATO rolling back troop deployments in Eastern Europe	15%	41%	44%

17. Which is more important for the U.S.?

To take a strong stand so that China does not take over Taiwan by force	51%
For the U.S. to maintain good relations with China	22%
Not sure	27%

18. Which statement comes closer to your view? The United States should...

Prioritize strengthening economic relations with China, even if it means not promoting human rights in China	17%
Prioritize promoting human rights in China, even if it harms economic relations with China	55%
Not sure	29%

19. How much have you seen or heard about the "Freedom Convoy" trucker protest in Canada?

A lot	40%
A little	38%
Nothing at all	22%

20. Truck drivers protesting vaccine mandates have blocked traffic in several Canadian cities, as well as access to the Ambassador Bridge to Detroit, a vital link for the automobile industry. Do you support or oppose these protests?

Strongly support	26%
Somewhat support	14%
Somewhat oppose	12%
Strongly oppose	32%
Not sure	16%

21. How concerned are you about the impact that these protests will have on American commerce?

Very concerned	21%
Somewhat concerned	36%
Not very concerned	18%
Not at all concerned	11%
Not sure	14%

22. Would you support a similar protest in the United States?

Strongly support	24%
Somewhat support	15%
Somewhat oppose	10%
Strongly oppose	33%
Not sure	17%

23. Do you support or oppose requiring COVID-19 vaccination for non-U.S. citizen truck drivers entering the United States from Canada and Mexico?

Strongly support	29%
Somewhat support	17%
Somewhat oppose	14%
Strongly oppose	24%
Not sure	15%

24. When protesters block public access to roadways, should law enforcement use force to remove them?

Yes	43%
No	28%
Not sure	29%

25. How closely are you following the news about COVID-19?

Very closely	34%
Somewhat closely	38%
Not very closely	18%
Not following at all	10%

26. Do you personally know anyone who has tested positive for COVID-19? Check all that apply.

Yes, me	21%
Yes, a family member	54%
Yes, a close friend	50%
No	19%
Prefer not to say	4%

27. Do you personally know anyone who has tested positive for COVID-19 in the last month? Check all that apply.

Yes, me	6%
Yes, a family member	25%
Yes, a close friend	24%
No	50%
Prefer not to say	6%

28. Do you think you had COVID already but didn't test positive?

*Asked of those who did not test positive themselves*

Yes .....	16%
No .....	61%
Not sure .....	23%

29. Do you think you'll eventually get COVID?

*Asked of those who do not believe they ever had COVID*

Yes .....	16%
No .....	40%
Not sure .....	44%

30. Do you personally know anyone who has died due to complications from COVID-19? Check all that apply.

Yes, a family member .....	16%
Yes, a close friend .....	24%
No .....	58%
Prefer not to say .....	5%

31. Taking into consideration both your risk of contracting it and the seriousness of the illness, how worried are you personally about experiencing COVID-19?

Very worried .....	17%
Somewhat worried .....	30%
Not too worried .....	29%
Not worried at all .....	24%

32. Have you done any of the following things in the past 2 weeks?

	Yes	No	Not sure
Purchased a gift certificate from a local store or restaurant to use after things return to normal	12%	85%	3%
Gone out for meals at restaurants	49%	48%	3%
Ordered takeout or delivery from a restaurant	57%	40%	4%
Taken children out for playdates	11%	84%	5%
Visited friends	47%	50%	3%
Visited family you don't live with	41%	55%	4%
Attended a religious service	22%	74%	4%
Cleaned or organized your house	75%	22%	4%
Gained weight	26%	61%	13%

33. Compared to the first few months of the pandemic, have you done each of the following more or less often in the last few months than you did back then?

	More often than at the start of the pandemic	About the same as at the start of the pandemic	Less often than at the start of the pandemic	Not sure
Social distancing	18%	42%	33%	6%
Washing your hands	23%	59%	12%	5%
Wearing a mask	24%	38%	32%	6%

34. In the past seven days, how often have you worn a mask on your face when outside your home?

Always	32%
Most of the time	21%
Some of the time	25%
Never	21%

35. What kind of mask have you worn most often in the last month?

*Asked of those who wear a mask outside their home at least some of the time*

N95, KN95, or similar	26%
Surgical	28%
Cloth	35%
Other	5%
Not sure	5%

36. Do you think the number of cases of COVID-19 in the United States is...

Increasing	18%
Not changing	16%
Decreasing	49%
Not sure	18%

37. Do you think the number of cases of COVID-19 in the community where you live is...

Increasing	15%
Not changing	17%
Decreasing	47%
Not sure	21%

38. Looking at the COVID-19 pandemic in the U.S., do you believe that...

The pandemic is going to get worse	13%
We are currently in the worst part of the pandemic	15%
The worst part of the pandemic is behind us	47%
Not sure	26%

39. Which statement describes you best?

I have received at least ONE shot of ANY manufacturer's COVID-19 vaccine .....	67%
I have NOT received ANY shots of ANY manufacturer's COVID-19 vaccine .....	33%

40. Which statement describes you best?

*Asked of those who have received at least one shot*

I have received only ONE shot .....	11%
I have received only TWO shots .....	30%
I have received at least THREE shots .....	59%

41. Which vaccine did you get for your FIRST shot?

*Asked of those who have received at least one shot*

Pfizer-BioNtech .....	46%
Moderna .....	41%
Oxford-AstraZeneca .....	2%
Johnson & Johnson .....	9%
Don't remember .....	3%

42. Which vaccine did you get for your SECOND shot?

*Asked of those who have received at least two shots*

Pfizer-BioNtech .....	50%
Moderna .....	45%
Oxford-AstraZeneca .....	2%
Johnson & Johnson .....	2%
Don't remember .....	2%

43. Which vaccine did you get for your THIRD shot, or booster shot?

*Asked of those who have received at least three shots*

Pfizer-BioNtech .....	51%
Moderna .....	46%
Oxford-AstraZeneca .....	0%
Johnson & Johnson .....	1%
Don't remember .....	1%

44. Have you gotten more than three shots?

*Asked of those who have received at least three shots*

Yes, I have had more than three shots .....	5%
No, I have had only three shots .....	95%

45. Which statement describes you best?

*Asked of those who have not received any shots of any COVID-19 vaccine*

I do not plan on ever getting ANY shots of ANY COVID-19 vaccine .....	58%
I might get a shot of one of the COVID-19 vaccines in the future .....	22%
I definitely will get a shot of one of the COVID-19 vaccines in the future .....	10%
Prefer not to say .....	9%



46. To combat variants, some countries — including the U.S. — are now offering boosters to adults. Would you get a booster shot if it were available to you?

*Asked of those who have been vaccinated for COVID-19*

Yes .....	17%
No .....	13%
Not sure .....	8%
I have already received a booster .....	62%

47. Vaccination Status (Recoded)

I have received all the injections required to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 .....	64%
I have started the vaccination process, but need another shot .....	4%
I plan to get vaccinated .....	3%
I will not get vaccinated .....	19%
I'm not sure about getting vaccinated .....	10%

48. Booster Status (Recoded)

Boosted (Self-Report Only) .....	0%
Boosted (Coded) .....	41%
All other respondents .....	58%

49. Are you the parent or guardian of any children under the age of 18?

Yes .....	20%
No .....	80%

50. Do you have one or more children in grades K-12 living with you who would normally be attending a school in-person this year?

*Asked of parents of children under 18*

Yes .....	63%
No .....	37%

51. Do you have any children under the age of 5?

*Asked of parents of children under 18*

Yes .....	38%
No .....	62%

52. Do you have any children currently aged 5 to 18?

*Asked of parents of children under 18*

Yes .....	76%
No .....	24%

53. Which of the following best describes the COVID-19 vaccination status of your children aged 5 to 18?

*Asked of parents of school-age children aged 5 and over*

My children have received all the injections required to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 .....	32%
My children have started the vaccination process, but need another shot .....	9%
I plan to get my children vaccinated .....	7%
I will not get my children vaccinated .....	34%
I'm not sure about getting my children vaccinated .....	18%

54. Do you plan to get your children under the age of 5 vaccinated, when they become eligible?

*Asked of parents of school-age children under age 5*

I plan to get my children vaccinated if eligible .....	41%
I will not get my children vaccinated .....	41%
I'm not sure about getting my children vaccinated .....	18%

55. Who should have the most authority over whether K-12 students are required to wear masks?

Parents .....	40%
Teachers .....	6%
School administrators .....	22%
The government .....	16%
Someone else .....	3%
Not sure .....	14%

56. Would you support or oppose a policy that made it mandatory to wear masks in public indoor places?

Strongly support .....	32%
Somewhat support .....	20%
Somewhat oppose .....	10%
Strongly oppose .....	27%
Not sure .....	11%

57. Do you believe K-12 schools should be allowed to mandate vaccines for their students?

Yes .....	37%
No .....	46%
Not sure .....	17%

58. Do you believe businesses should be allowed to mandate masks for their customers?

Yes .....	55%
No .....	32%
Not sure .....	13%

59. Do you believe K-12 schools should be allowed to mandate masks for their students?

Yes .....	49%
No .....	38%
Not sure .....	13%

60. Are there currently COVID-19 restrictions in your community?

Yes .....	41%
No .....	38%
Not sure .....	21%

61. Compared to before the pandemic, are there currently more rules and restrictions, fewer rules and restrictions or about the same level of rules and restrictions at the following locations in your community?

	More restrictive	Less restrictive	No difference	I don't have current experiences with this	Not sure
Government agencies	38%	11%	17%	20%	13%
Stores	31%	30%	23%	6%	10%
Restaurants	31%	28%	22%	9%	10%
Bars	22%	21%	19%	25%	14%
Workplaces	32%	19%	17%	20%	12%
Schools	34%	16%	16%	20%	14%

62. Do you think there should be COVID-19 restrictions in your community now?

Yes .....	26%
No .....	64%
Not sure .....	10%

63. Would lifting COVID-19 restrictions in your community now be...

Too soon .....	46%
The right time .....	26%
Not soon enough .....	17%
Not sure .....	11%

64. Are masks currently required in your community?

Yes, in all public places indoors and outdoors .....	11%
Yes, in all public places indoors .....	19%
Yes, in some public places indoors .....	29%
No .....	30%
Not sure .....	12%

65. Do you ever wear a face mask in public in your community?

*Asked of those whose communities do not require masks*

Yes .....	48%
No .....	44%
Not sure .....	8%

66. Do you think you will still sometimes wear a face mask in public once your community removes mask requirements?

*Asked of those whose communities do require masks*

Yes .....	58%
No .....	28%
Not sure .....	13%

67. When do you think it will be safe to resume normal life activities?

It is safe right now .....	32%
In the first half of 2022 .....	9%
In the second half of 2022 .....	18%
After 2022 .....	27%
Never .....	14%

68. Are you ready to return to normal from the COVID-19 pandemic?

Yes .....	77%
No .....	23%

69. Are there parts of life before the pandemic that you're not yet ready to return to?

Yes .....	33%
No .....	67%

70. Are there parts of life before the pandemic that you think you won't ever return to?

Yes .....	33%
No .....	67%

71. Which one are you most concerned about?

Protecting Americans from the health effects of the coronavirus outbreak .....	51%
Protecting Americans from the economic effects of the coronavirus outbreak .....	49%

72. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling COVID-19?

Strongly approve .....	18%
Somewhat approve .....	22%
Somewhat disapprove .....	14%
Strongly disapprove .....	35%
Not sure .....	11%

73. In your opinion, when do you think the COVID-19 pandemic will finally end?

The pandemic has already ended .....	18%
In the first half of 2022 .....	10%
In the second half of 2022 .....	16%
After 2022 .....	36%
Never .....	20%

74. Have you heard mostly positive or mostly negative news stories about the economy, or have you not heard much news at all about the economy?

Mostly positive .....	9%
Equally positive and negative .....	27%
Mostly negative .....	49%
Not heard much news about the economy at all .....	15%

75. How serious a problem is inflation in the U.S.?

Very serious .....	56%
Somewhat serious .....	25%
A minor problem .....	8%
Not a problem .....	2%
Not sure .....	9%

76. For you personally, which of the following do you consider the best measure of how the national economy is doing?

The stock market index .....	6%
The unemployment rate and job reports .....	17%
The prices of goods and services you buy .....	52%
Your personal finances .....	11%
Don't know .....	14%

77. What is the current level of inflation in the U.S.? Please tell us the annual percentage increase in prices paid by consumers for goods and services. If you don't know, please make your best guess.

Less than 1% .....	1%
Between 1% and 2% .....	2%
Between 2% and 3% .....	2%
Between 3% and 4% .....	2%
Between 4% and 5% .....	3%
Between 5% and 6% .....	5%
Between 6% and 7% .....	12%
Between 7% and 8% .....	25%
Between 8% and 9% .....	6%
Between 9% and 10% .....	5%
Greater than 10% .....	12%
Not sure .....	25%

78. Six months from now do you think there will be...

A higher rate of inflation	42%
The same rate of inflation	19%
A lower rate of inflation	17%
Not sure	22%

79. Six months from now do you think there will be...

Higher gas prices	55%
The same gas prices	17%
Lower gas prices	11%
Not sure	17%

80. Compared to a year ago, are prices increasing at a faster rate today, at a slower rate, or at the same rate as they were then?

A faster rate	72%
A slower rate	8%
At the same rate	7%
Not sure	13%

81. In the next few months, do you think that you and your family will be more seriously hurt by unemployment or by inflation?

Unemployment	8%
Inflation	63%
Neither	14%
Not sure	16%

82. Social Security benefits were recently increased by an average of 6% in response to inflation. Do you think these increases in benefits are too high, too low or about right?

Too high	9%
Too low	47%
About right	25%
Not sure	19%

83. How much, if at all, do you blame each of the following for inflation?

	A lot of the blame	Not much blame	Not sure
Government programs	45%	34%	21%
Joe Biden	48%	36%	16%
Businesses	36%	42%	22%
COVID-19	66%	22%	12%
Donald Trump	35%	48%	17%

84. Do you think the following measures intended to reduce inflation are a good idea or a bad idea?

	Good idea	Bad idea	Not sure
Reduce government spending on domestic programs	33%	41%	25%
Let unemployment go up	11%	60%	30%
Have the government enforce limits on both wage and price increases	25%	44%	32%
Make it more expensive to borrow money	22%	49%	29%
Reduce government spending on military programs	33%	43%	24%
Increase immigration to reduce worker shortages	25%	47%	28%
Provide childcare support to reduce worker shortages	51%	26%	23%
Punish companies participating in anti-competitive behavior	44%	23%	33%

85. Which comes closer to your view regarding what took place at the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021?

People participated in legitimate political discourse	30%
People participated in a violent insurrection	52%
Don't know	18%

86. Do you approve or disapprove of the House Select Committee investigating the takeover of the Capitol on January 6, 2021?

Strongly approve	33%
Somewhat approve	15%
Somewhat disapprove	11%
Strongly disapprove	22%
Not sure	20%

87. In your opinion, is it acceptable or unacceptable for former presidents to maintain contact with leaders of foreign countries after leaving office?

Acceptable	23%
Acceptable, but only with leaders of ally countries	21%
Unacceptable	30%
Not sure	26%

88. Recent reporting suggests that Donald Trump has told associates that he has remained in touch with North Korean leader Kim Jong-un since leaving office. Do you approve or disapprove of this communication?

Strongly approve	11%
Somewhat approve	17%
Somewhat disapprove	12%
Strongly disapprove	37%
Not sure	23%

89. Do you support or oppose the Presidential Records Act, which requires presidents to preserve all historically relevant material during their time in office and turn over historically relevant documents to government archives?

Strongly support	49%
Somewhat support	21%
Somewhat oppose	6%
Strongly oppose	4%
Not sure	21%

90. How often do you think presidents violate the Presidential Records Act by destroying historically relevant documents they are required to preserve?

Very often	19%
Somewhat often	23%
Not very often	17%
Not often at all	12%
Not sure	28%

91. How important do you think it is that presidents follow the Presidential Records Act by turning over historically relevant documents to the government archives?

Very important	49%
Somewhat important	21%
Not very important	8%
Not at all important	2%
Not sure	20%

92. How much have you heard about news reports claiming that Donald Trump violated the Presidential Records Act by...

	A lot	A little	Nothing at all
Taking boxes of classified documents with him to Florida after leaving office	32%	29%	39%
Destroying official documents he was required to preserve by ripping them up or flushing them down the toilet	32%	29%	39%

93. The National Archives recently asked the Justice Department to investigate former President Trump for taking at least 15 boxes of official records with him to Florida after leaving office, reportedly including documents clearly marked classified, rather than handing them over to the federal government for preservation. Do you approve or disapprove of the Justice Department investigating Trump for possibly violating the Presidential Records Act?

Strongly approve	41%
Somewhat approve	16%
Somewhat disapprove	9%
Strongly disapprove	16%
Not sure	18%



94. How serious of a problem do you think it would be if Donald Trump took classified material with him to Florida after leaving office?

Very serious	47%
Somewhat serious	26%
Not very serious	16%
Not at all serious	11%

95. Do you think it would have been more right or more wrong for Donald Trump to take classified material with him to Florida after leaving office?

More right	21%
More wrong	79%

96. How serious of a problem do you think it is that Hillary Clinton used a personal email address to conduct government business while working as Secretary of State?

Very serious	43%
Somewhat serious	29%
Not very serious	19%
Not at all serious	9%

97. How much have you heard about critical race theory?

A lot	39%
A little	35%
Nothing at all	26%

98. Do you have a good idea of what critical race theory is?

*Asked of those who have heard at least a little about critical race theory*

Yes	63%
No	19%
Not sure	18%

99. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of critical race theory?

*Asked of those who say they know what critical race theory is*

Very favorable	24%
Somewhat favorable	14%
Somewhat unfavorable	9%
Very unfavorable	49%
Don't know	5%

100. Do you believe critical race theory is currently being taught in schools in your community?

Yes	20%
No	36%
Not sure	44%

101. Do you believe critical race theory should be taught in schools in your community?

Yes .....	22%
No .....	46%
Not sure .....	32%

102. Do you believe critical race theory is currently being taught to your child in school?

*Asked of parents of school-age children*

Yes .....	18%
No .....	47%
Not sure .....	35%

103. Many states have passed laws banning critical race theory in public schools. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of these laws?

Very favorable .....	27%
Somewhat favorable .....	11%
Somewhat unfavorable .....	11%
Very unfavorable .....	23%
Don't know .....	29%

104. Thinking about the Winter Olympics this year, how much of the events have you been watching?

I watch events every day .....	6%
I watch lots of events when I can .....	8%
I watch a few events here and there .....	26%
I don't watch any of them .....	54%
Not sure .....	6%

105. Thinking about the 2022 Winter Olympics, how would you evaluate the overall performance of the U.S. athletes?

Excellent .....	9%
Very good .....	19%
Good .....	37%
Fair .....	19%
Not so good .....	17%

106. Do you approve or disapprove of the decision for the United States to send athletes to the Winter Olympic Games in Beijing in light of the COVID-19 pandemic?

Strongly approve .....	20%
Somewhat approve .....	27%
Somewhat disapprove .....	14%
Strongly disapprove .....	15%
Not sure .....	24%

107. How likely or unlikely do you think it is that there will be a serious outbreak of COVID-19 among the athletes or staff of the Winter Olympics Games?

Very likely	12%
Somewhat likely	29%
Not very likely	25%
Not likely at all	10%
Not sure	25%

108. In your opinion, should athletes at the Winter Olympic Games be permitted to publicly engage in protests, such as displaying political messaging in signs or armbands, kneeling, disrupting medal ceremonies or making political hand gestures?

Athletes should be allowed to protest	34%
Athletes should not be allowed to protest	39%
Not sure	27%

109. Do you believe athletes in the Olympic Games should or should not be allowed to...

	Yes	No	Not sure
Use recreational drugs (e.g. marijuana)	27%	59%	14%
Use performance enhancing drugs (e.g. hormones or steroids)	7%	83%	10%

110. Should there be a minimum age limit for athletes competing in the Olympics?

Yes	39%
No	36%
Not sure	26%

111. What do you think the age limit should be?

*Asked of those who believe there should be an age limit to compete in the Olympics*

10 or younger	2%
11	2%
12	2%
13	3%
14	7%
15	12%
16	34%
17	4%
18	34%

112. How important are the following issues to you?

	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not very Important	Unimportant
Jobs and the economy	67%	24%	5%	3%

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Immigration	46%	31%	16%	7%
Climate change and the environment	44%	25%	16%	15%
Foreign policy	41%	41%	12%	6%
National Security	62%	26%	7%	4%
Education	59%	29%	8%	4%
Health care	68%	23%	7%	3%
Taxes and government spending	60%	29%	8%	3%
Abortion	43%	27%	19%	11%
Civil rights	56%	27%	11%	6%
Civil liberties	57%	29%	10%	5%
Guns	51%	26%	13%	9%
Crime	62%	29%	6%	3%
Criminal justice reform	49%	34%	12%	5%

113. Which of these is the most important issue for you?

Jobs and the economy	17%
Immigration	8%
Climate change and the environment	12%
Foreign policy	1%
National Security	7%
Education	5%
Health care	16%
Taxes and government spending	9%
Abortion	4%
Civil rights	6%
Civil liberties	2%
Guns	5%
Crime	4%
Criminal justice reform	2%

114. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of the following people?

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know
Joe Biden	22%	20%	11%	41%	7%
Kamala Harris	17%	21%	11%	39%	13%
Nancy Pelosi	16%	19%	11%	42%	13%
Kevin McCarthy	7%	15%	13%	31%	34%
Mitch McConnell	5%	15%	21%	40%	20%
Chuck Schumer	11%	19%	13%	33%	25%
Donald Trump	23%	16%	9%	43%	7%
Barack Obama	34%	17%	10%	31%	8%
Harry Reid	9%	14%	11%	24%	42%

115. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the political parties?

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know
The Democratic Party	16%	22%	13%	37%	12%
The Republican Party	10%	22%	18%	37%	13%

116. Do you think the current Congress has accomplished more or less than Congress usually does at this point in its two-year term?

More than usual	11%
About the same	26%
Less than usual	40%
Not sure	24%

117. Who is more to blame for Congress achieving less than usual?

Democrats in Congress	43%
Republicans in Congress	23%
Both equally	31%
Neither	2%
Not sure	2%

118. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling his job as President?

Strongly approve	16%
Somewhat approve	24%
Somewhat disapprove	13%
Strongly disapprove	38%
Not sure	10%

119. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling these specific issues?

	Strongly approve	Somewhat approve	Somewhat disapprove	Strongly disapprove	No opinion
Jobs and the economy	18%	21%	13%	36%	12%
Education	15%	21%	14%	31%	19%
Health care	16%	23%	14%	31%	15%
Abortion	11%	18%	14%	32%	26%
Guns	10%	16%	16%	35%	22%

120. Would you say Joe Biden is...

Very liberal	27%
Liberal	21%
Moderate	26%
Conservative	6%
Very conservative	3%
Not sure	18%

121. How much do you think Joe Biden cares about the needs and problems of people like you?

A lot	22%
Some	20%
Not much	14%
Doesn't care at all	36%
Not sure	9%

122. Regardless of whether you agree with him, do you like or dislike Joe Biden as a person?

Like a lot	23%
Like somewhat	15%
Neither like nor dislike	18%
Dislike somewhat	9%
Dislike a lot	25%
Not sure	10%

123. Would you say Joe Biden is a strong or a weak leader?

Very strong	13%
Somewhat strong	27%
Somewhat weak	20%
Very weak	40%

124. Do you think Joe Biden is honest and trustworthy, or not?

Honest and trustworthy	37%
Not honest and trustworthy	46%
Not sure	17%

125. Are you confident in Joe Biden's ability to deal wisely with an international crisis, or are you uneasy about his approach?

Confident .....	32%
Uneasy .....	51%
Not sure .....	17%

126. Do you think Joe Biden...

Says what he believes .....	37%
Says what he thinks people want to hear .....	46%
Not sure .....	17%

127. Do you think that Joe Biden will be able to bring the country together as President?

Yes .....	15%
No .....	61%
Not sure .....	25%

128. Are you optimistic or pessimistic about the next few years with Joe Biden as President?

Optimistic .....	32%
Pessimistic .....	46%
Not sure .....	22%

129. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way that the United States Congress is handling its job?

Strongly approve .....	4%
Somewhat approve .....	10%
Neither approve nor disapprove .....	17%
Somewhat disapprove .....	20%
Strongly disapprove .....	35%
Not sure .....	14%

130. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Nancy Pelosi is handling her job as the Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives?

Strongly approve .....	14%
Somewhat approve .....	17%
Somewhat disapprove .....	12%
Strongly disapprove .....	39%
Not sure .....	17%

131. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Chuck Schumer is handling his job as Majority Leader of the U.S. Senate?

Strongly approve	10%
Somewhat approve	21%
Somewhat disapprove	13%
Strongly disapprove	33%
Not sure	24%

132. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Mitch McConnell is handling his job as Minority Leader of the U.S. Senate?

Strongly approve	4%
Somewhat approve	16%
Somewhat disapprove	21%
Strongly disapprove	37%
Not sure	22%

133. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Kevin McCarthy is handling his job as Minority Leader of the U.S. House of Representatives?

Strongly approve	7%
Somewhat approve	17%
Somewhat disapprove	13%
Strongly disapprove	32%
Not sure	30%

134. Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Supreme Court of the United States is handling its job?

Strongly approve	8%
Somewhat approve	28%
Somewhat disapprove	20%
Strongly disapprove	20%
Not sure	23%

135. In general, how would you describe the political viewpoint of the Supreme Court of the United States?

Very liberal	3%
Liberal	9%
Moderate	27%
Conservative	21%
Very conservative	16%
Not sure	24%

136. Overall, do you think the economy is getting better or worse?

Getting better	14%
About the same	21%
Getting worse	54%
Not sure	11%



<b>137. Do you think the stock market will be higher or lower 12 months from now?</b>	
Higher .....	19%
About the same .....	23%
Lower .....	25%
Not sure .....	32%
<b>138. Do you personally (or jointly with a spouse), have any money invested in the stock market right now, either in an individual stock or in a mutual fund?</b>	
Yes .....	44%
No .....	56%
<b>139. Would you say that you and your family are...</b>	
Better off financially than you were a year ago .....	14%
About the same financially as you were a year ago .....	42%
Worse off financially than you were a year ago .....	34%
Not sure .....	10%
<b>140. Six months from now do you think there will be...</b>	
More jobs .....	25%
The same amount of jobs .....	34%
Fewer jobs .....	17%
Not sure .....	24%
<b>141. How worried are you about losing your job?</b>	
Very worried .....	9%
Somewhat worried .....	29%
Not very worried .....	62%
<b>142. If you lost your job, how hard would it be for you to find a new job that paid as much as you are making now?</b>	
Very hard – I would probably have to take a pay cut. ....	23%
Somewhat hard – It might take a while before I found a job that paid as much. ....	33%
Not very hard .....	29%
Not sure .....	15%
<b>143. How happy would you say you are with your current job?</b>	
Very happy .....	23%
Happy .....	37%
Neither happy nor unhappy .....	27%
Unhappy .....	9%
Very unhappy .....	4%

**144. In general, how would you describe your own political viewpoint?**

Very liberal	11%
Liberal	16%
Moderate	31%
Conservative	19%
Very conservative	11%
Not sure	13%

**145. Are you registered to vote?**

Registered	80%
Not registered	20%

**146. Who did you vote for in the election for President in 2020?**

Joe Biden	34%
Donald Trump	32%
Other	1%
Did not vote for President	33%

**147. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a ...?**

Democrat	34%
Republican	25%
Independent	29%
Other	4%
Not sure	7%

**148. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a ...?**

Strong Democrat	22%
Not very strong Democrat	12%
Lean Democrat	6%
Independent	22%
Lean Republican	7%
Not very strong Republican	8%
Strong Republican	17%
Not sure	6%

**149. At any point in your life, have you ever considered yourself a Democrat?**

*Asked of Independents and Republicans*

Yes	28%
No	58%
Not sure	14%

150. At any point in your life, have you ever considered yourself a Republican?

*Asked of Independents and Democrats*

Yes .....	21%
No .....	66%
Not sure .....	14%

151. Would you say that the Democratic Party is to the left or right of you?

Much more to the left .....	34%
Slightly more left .....	13%
About the same .....	19%
Slightly more right .....	8%
Much more to the right .....	5%
Don't know .....	20%

152. Would you say that the Republican Party is to the left or right of you?

Much more to the left .....	4%
Slightly more left .....	9%
About the same .....	19%
Slightly more right .....	11%
Much more to the right .....	34%
Don't know .....	22%

153. Overall, would you say that your political views are closer to the views of the Democratic party or Republican party?

Democratic Party .....	52%
Republican Party .....	48%

154. Would you say that Joe Biden legitimately won the election, or not?

Biden legitimately won the election .....	61%
Biden did NOT legitimately win the election .....	39%

155. If an election for U.S. Congress were being held today, who would you vote for in the district where you live?

The Democratic Party candidate .....	42%
The Republican Party candidate .....	37%
Other .....	3%
Not sure .....	12%
I would not vote .....	6%

156. Are you...?

Male .....	48%
Female .....	52%

**157. Respondent age by category**

Under 30 .....	21%
30-44 .....	24%
45-64 .....	33%
65+ .....	22%

**158. What racial or ethnic group best describes you?**

White .....	67%
Black .....	13%
Hispanic .....	12%
Other .....	8%

**159. What is the highest level of education you have completed?**

HS or less .....	36%
Some college .....	29%
College grad .....	22%
Postgrad .....	12%

**160. What is your marital status?**

Married .....	42%
Separated .....	2%
Divorced .....	12%
Widowed .....	4%
Never married .....	34%
Domestic / civil partnership .....	6%

**161. Calculated from respondent's state of residence**

Northeast .....	17%
Midwest .....	22%
South .....	38%
West .....	23%

**162. How would you describe the place where you live?**

Urban .....	31%
Suburb .....	34%
Rural/Other .....	35%

**163. Which of the following best describes your current employment status?**

Full-time .....	33%
Part-time .....	7%
Temporarily laid off .....	0%
Unemployed .....	9%
Retired .....	23%
Permanently disabled .....	9%
Homemaker .....	6%
Student .....	11%
Other .....	1%

**164. Thinking back over the last year, what was your family's annual income?**

Under \$50K .....	43%
\$50-100K .....	25%
\$100K or more .....	19%
Prefer not to say .....	13%

**165. How important is religion in your life?**

Very important .....	37%
Somewhat important .....	24%
Not too important .....	14%
Not at all important .....	25%

**166. Aside from weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services?**

More than once a week .....	6%
Once a week .....	17%
Once or twice a month .....	7%
A few times a year .....	12%
Seldom .....	23%
Never .....	32%
Don't know .....	3%

**167. Would you describe yourself as a "born-again" or evangelical Christian, or not?**

Yes .....	29%
No .....	71%

168. People practice their religion in different ways. Outside of attending religious services, how often do you pray?

Several times a day	26%
Once a day	12%
A few times a week	11%
Once a week	3%
A few times a month	6%
Seldom	15%
Never	21%
Don't know	5%

169. What is your present religion, if any?

Protestant	27%
Roman Catholic	18%
Mormon	2%
Eastern or Greek Orthodox	1%
Jewish	3%
Muslim	2%
Buddhist	1%
Hindu	1%
Atheist	7%
Agnostic	6%
Nothing in particular	25%
Something else	9%

170. How important is it to you to have the ability to choose..?

*Asked of full-time and part-time employees, unemployed, and students*

	Very important	Somewhat Important	Not important
Where I work (for example, at home or in another location such as an office)	45%	37%	18%
Which days of the week I work each week (for example, Mon-Fri or Sun-Thurs)	51%	31%	19%
Which hours I work each week (for example, starting early and ending late or vice versa)	52%	32%	16%
How many hours I work (for example, choosing to work part-time or full-time)	58%	29%	13%
The predictability of my schedule	54%	32%	15%
The city or state I live in to conduct my work	52%	33%	16%
What I wear to work (for example, if there is a dress code or uniform)	34%	37%	28%
When or if I take breaks throughout the work day	44%	37%	19%
Which projects or tasks I take on each day	41%	39%	20%
Whether I take time off to provide care for family or friends	53%	31%	16%

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Whether I take time off for vacation or leisure	56%	31%	13%
Whether I have to be available during non-work hours	49%	32%	18%

**171. At your current job, how are each of the following decided?**

*Asked of full-time and part-time employees*

	The decision is entirely up to me	The decision is a negotiation between me and my employer	The decision is entirely up to my employer
Where I work (for example, at home or in another location such as an office)	30%	31%	39%
Which days of the week I work each week (for example, Mon-Fri or Sun-Thurs)	28%	34%	38%
Which hours I work each week (for example, starting early and ending late or vice versa)	33%	37%	30%
How many hours I work (for example, choosing to work part-time or full-time)	33%	34%	32%
The predictability of my schedule	30%	40%	30%
The city or state I live in to conduct my work	49%	22%	29%
What I wear to work (for example, if there is a dress code or uniform)	44%	27%	29%
When or if I take breaks throughout the work day	52%	28%	19%
Which projects or tasks I take on each day	29%	40%	31%
Whether I take time off to provide care for family or friends	48%	42%	10%
Whether I take time off for vacation or leisure	47%	41%	11%
Whether I have to be available during non-work hours	49%	32%	19%

**172. Are you currently working from home or from another location (such as an office or job site)?**

*Asked of full-time and part-time employees*

I work entirely from home	19%
I work mostly from home, but sometimes from another location	12%
I work from home half of the time and from another location half of the time	7%
I work mostly from another location, but sometimes from home	10%
I work entirely from another location	53%

173. If your current job allowed it, would you prefer working from home or from another location (such as an office or job site)?

*Asked of full-time and part-time employees*

I prefer working entirely from home .....	31%
I prefer working mostly from home, but sometimes from another location .....	15%
I prefer working from home half of the time and from another location half of the time ....	11%
I prefer working mostly from another location, but sometimes from home .....	11%
I prefer working entirely from another location .....	32%

174. Do you believe you're more productive when working from home or working from an office (or other on-site location)?

*Asked of full-time and part-time employees, and students*

I'm more productive at home .....	27%
I'm more productive at an office or on-site location .....	28%
I'm equally productive at both .....	30%
I don't work or have never worked from home and/or an office or on-site location .....	15%

175. In your current position, how much leverage do you feel you have to negotiate your working conditions?

*Asked of full-time and part-time employees*

A great deal of leverage .....	15%
A lot of leverage .....	13%
A moderate amount of leverage .....	30%
A little leverage .....	19%
No leverage at all .....	23%

176. In your current position, do you feel you are being paid a fair wage?

*Asked of full-time and part-time employees*

Yes .....	53%
No, I feel I'm being underpaid .....	44%
No, I feel I'm being overpaid .....	4%

177. How stressful is your current job?

*Asked of full-time and part-time employees*

Very stressful .....	13%
Somewhat stressful .....	46%
Not very stressful .....	29%
Not at all stressful .....	12%

178. How fulfilling is your current job?

*Asked of full-time and part-time employees*

Very fulfilling .....	25%
Somewhat fulfilling .....	45%
Not very fulfilling .....	18%
Not at all fulfilling .....	12%



179. How much do you look forward to starting each workday?

*Asked of full-time and part-time employees*

A great deal .....	11%
A lot .....	19%
A moderate amount .....	36%
A little .....	19%
Not at all .....	16%

180. Do you feel your job allows you enough free time for personal and family matters?

*Asked of full-time and part-time employees*

Yes .....	78%
No .....	22%

181. How much power do you think workers have in today's labor market?

A great deal .....	5%
A lot .....	14%
A moderate amount .....	38%
A little .....	27%
Not at all .....	16%

182. How much power do you think employers have in today's labor market?

A great deal .....	17%
A lot .....	26%
A moderate amount .....	36%
A little .....	13%
Not at all .....	8%

183. Do you think the COVID-19 pandemic has increased the bargaining power of workers, increased the bargaining power of employers, or had no effect on bargaining power?

Workers .....	48%
Employers .....	19%
No effect .....	33%

184. Have you considered changing your career starting a new career at some point in the past year?

Yes, I started a new career .....	7%
Yes, I've considered it but haven't done it .....	24%
No, I have not .....	39%
No, I don't work or plan to work .....	30%

185. Have you considered looking for a new job at some point in the past year?

*Asked of full-time and part-time employees*

Yes, I started a new job .....	12%
Yes, I've considered it and actively looked for new jobs .....	19%
Yes, I've considered it but haven't looked for one .....	24%
No, I have not .....	46%

186. Have you considered quitting your job at some point in the past year?

*Asked of full-time and part-time employees*

Yes, I quit my job and started a new one .....	12%
Yes, I've considered it but haven't done it .....	32%
No, I have not .....	56%

187. In the past year, have you received a raise?

*Asked of full-time and part-time employees*

No .....	43%
Yes, a scheduled raise .....	30%
Yes, an unscheduled raise initiated by my boss/employer .....	18%
Yes, a raise that I asked for or negotiated .....	9%

188. Vaccination Status (Recoded)

Fully Vaccinated .....	64%
Not Fully Vaccinated .....	36%

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<b>Sponsorship</b>	<i>The Economist</i>
<b>Fieldwork</b>	YouGov
<b>Interviewing Dates</b>	February 12 - 15, 2022
<b>Target population</b>	US Adult Population
<b>Sampling method</b>	Respondents were selected from YouGov's opt-in Internet panel using sample matching. A random sample (stratified by gender, age, race, education, and region) was selected from the 2018 American Community Study. Voter registration was imputed from the November 2018 Current Population Survey Registration and Voting Supplement.
<b>Weighting</b>	The sample was weighted based on gender, age, race, education, and both 2016 and 2020 Presidential votes (or non-votes). The weights range from 0.396 to 6.026, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.395.
<b>Number of respondents</b>	1500 1231 (Registered voters)
<b>Margin of error</b>	± 2.7% (adjusted for weighting) ± 3% (Registered voters)
<b>Survey mode</b>	Web-based interviews
<b>Questions not reported</b>	41 questions not reported.