

The Economist/YouGov Poll
February 5 - 8, 2022 - 1500 U.S. Adult citizens



Sample 1500 U.S. Adult citizens
 Conducted February 5 - 8, 2022
 Margin of Error ±2.9%

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

Generally headed in the right direction	26%
Off on the wrong track	60%
Not sure	14%

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

Excellent	4%
Good	21%
Fair	31%
Poor	39%
Don't know	6%

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

Unemployment	8%
Inflation	48%
Both equal	38%
Not sure	6%

4. 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	10%
Equally positive and negative	29%
Mostly negative	43%
Not heard much news about the economy at all	18%

5. How serious a problem is unemployment in the U.S.?

Very serious	27%
Somewhat serious	33%
A minor problem	23%
Not a problem	7%
Not sure	9%

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

Very serious	59%
Somewhat serious	24%
A minor problem	7%
Not a problem	1%
Not sure	8%

7. How serious a problem is unemployment in your LOCAL community?

Very serious	17%
Somewhat serious	27%
A minor problem	27%
Not a problem	14%
Not sure	14%

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

The stock market index	5%
The unemployment rate and job reports	18%
The prices of goods and services you buy	51%
Your personal finances	12%
Don't know	14%

9. What is the current unemployment rate in the U.S.? Please tell us the percentage of adults who want to work that are currently unemployed and looking for a job. If you don't know, please make your best guess.

Less than 2%	1%
Between 2% and 3%	4%
Between 3% and 4%	15%
Between 4% and 5%	19%
Between 5% and 6%	9%
Between 6% and 7%	7%
Between 7% and 8%	7%
Greater than 8%	11%
Not sure	27%

10. Since last month, has the unemployment rate increased, decreased, or stayed the same?

Increased	21%
Stayed the same	27%
Decreased	30%
Don't know	23%

11. How good of a job do you think the national unemployment rate does explaining the actual health of the national economy?

Very good	4%
Good	15%
Fair	32%
Poor	21%
Very poor	10%
Don't know	17%

12. The government releases unemployment numbers on the first Friday of the month. Do you think the government numbers are accurate or do you think there are more unemployed people or fewer unemployed people?

More unemployed people	48%
The government numbers are accurate	20%
Fewer unemployed people	7%
Don't know	24%

13. Do you think improving the economy is...

Something the president can do a lot about	49%
Something the president can do a little about	35%
Something that is mostly beyond the president's control	17%

14. How long do you think it will take until the economy has recovered all the ground lost during the pandemic?

Has already recovered	5%
Less than a year	6%
About a year	16%
Two years	22%
More than two years	52%

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

A higher rate of inflation	45%
The same rate of inflation	21%
A lower rate of inflation	13%
Not sure	21%

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

Higher gas prices	56%
The same gas prices	19%
Lower gas prices	10%
Not sure	15%

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

A higher level of the S&P 500	16%
The same level of the S&P 500	19%
A lower level of the S&P 500	16%
Not sure	48%

18. 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)	47%	35%	18%
Which days of the week I work each week (for example, Mon-Fri or Sun-Thurs)	50%	34%	15%
Which hours I work each week (for example, starting early and ending late or vice versa)	51%	37%	13%
How many hours I work (for example, choosing to work part-time or full-time)	57%	32%	11%
The predictability of my schedule	52%	37%	11%
The city or state I live in to conduct my work	53%	32%	15%
What I wear to work (for example, if there is a dress code or uniform)	35%	38%	27%
When or if I take breaks throughout the work day	45%	37%	18%
Which projects or tasks I take on each day	42%	40%	18%
Whether I take time off to provide care for family or friends	54%	31%	14%
Whether I take time off for vacation or leisure	55%	33%	12%
Whether I have to be available during non-work hours	52%	33%	15%

19. 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)	31%	30%	39%
Which days of the week I work each week (for example, Mon-Fri or Sun-Thurs)	29%	35%	36%
Which hours I work each week (for example, starting early and ending late or vice versa)	35%	37%	29%
How many hours I work (for example, choosing to work part-time or full-time)	35%	31%	35%
The predictability of my schedule	31%	40%	30%
The city or state I live in to conduct my work	49%	23%	28%
What I wear to work (for example, if there is a dress code or uniform)	46%	29%	25%
When or if I take breaks throughout the work day	52%	31%	17%

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Which projects or tasks I take on each day	33%	40%	27%
Whether I take time off to provide care for family or friends	46%	41%	14%
Whether I take time off for vacation or leisure	46%	41%	14%
Whether I have to be available during non-work hours	46%	37%	17%

20. 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	11%
I work from home half of the time and from another location half of the time	8%
I work mostly from another location, but sometimes from home	12%
I work entirely from another location	50%

21. 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	29%
I prefer working mostly from home, but sometimes from another location	16%
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	14%
I prefer working entirely from another location	30%

22. 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	24%
I'm more productive at an office or on-site location	33%
I'm equally productive at both	25%
I don't work or have never worked from home and/or an office or on-site location	17%

23. 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	16%
A lot of leverage	10%
A moderate amount of leverage	31%
A little leverage	22%
No leverage at all	20%

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

Asked of full-time and part-time employees

Yes	50%
No, I feel I'm being underpaid	46%
No, I feel I'm being overpaid	4%

25. How stressful is your current job?

Asked of full-time and part-time employees

Very stressful	15%
Somewhat stressful	48%
Not very stressful	28%
Not at all stressful	9%

26. How fulfilling is your current job?

Asked of full-time and part-time employees

Very fulfilling	25%
Somewhat fulfilling	48%
Not very fulfilling	18%
Not at all fulfilling	9%

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

Asked of full-time and part-time employees

A great deal	11%
A lot	15%
A moderate amount	33%
A little	24%
Not at all	18%

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

Asked of full-time and part-time employees

Yes	76%
No	24%

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

A great deal	6%
A lot	14%
A moderate amount	36%
A little	30%
Not at all	14%

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

A great deal	17%
A lot	26%
A moderate amount	37%
A little	15%
Not at all	6%

31. 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	47%
Employers	18%
No effect	34%

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

Yes, I started a new career	6%
Yes, I've considered it but haven't done it	26%
No, I have not	39%
No, I don't work or plan to work	30%

33. 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	10%
Yes, I've considered it and actively looked for new jobs	25%
Yes, I've considered it but haven't looked for one	19%
No, I have not	46%

34. 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	9%
Yes, I've considered it but haven't done it	37%
No, I have not	53%

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

Asked of full-time and part-time employees

No	49%
Yes, a scheduled raise	27%
Yes, an unscheduled raise initiated by my boss/employer	19%
Yes, a raise that I asked for or negotiated	6%

36. Do you consider the countries listed below to be an ally or an enemy of the United States?

	Ally	Friendly	Unfriendly	Enemy	Not sure
China	3%	11%	33%	37%	17%
Iran	2%	5%	29%	42%	21%
Israel	37%	28%	9%	4%	21%
Mexico	17%	45%	15%	4%	19%
Russia	3%	7%	35%	38%	16%
Ukraine	15%	45%	10%	4%	26%
Syria	1%	8%	33%	26%	31%

37. 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	26%	32%	20%	7%	15%
Islamic State (ISIS)	41%	29%	15%	4%	11%
Russia	33%	36%	14%	6%	11%
Taliban	37%	28%	17%	6%	11%
China	35%	33%	15%	6%	12%

38. Do you consider Russia to be an ally or an enemy of China?

Asked of a randomly assigned half-sample

Ally	21%
Friendly	29%
Unfriendly	14%
Enemy	7%
Not sure	29%

39. Do you consider China to be an ally or an enemy of Russia?

Asked of a randomly assigned half-sample

Ally	26%
Friendly	25%
Unfriendly	12%
Enemy	6%
Not sure	31%

40. In the last 10 years, do you think relations between Russia and China have gotten closer, become less close, or haven't changed?

Gotten closer	43%
Not changed	19%
Gotten less close	9%
Not sure	29%

41. How serious a threat do you think closer relations between Russia and China would pose to the United States?

An immediate and serious threat to the U.S.	30%
A somewhat serious threat to the U.S.	36%
A minor threat to the U.S.	12%
Not a threat to the U.S.	4%
Not sure	17%

42. Do you have a favorable opinion of Joe Biden?

Yes	34%
No	54%
Not sure	12%

43. Would you say Joe Biden is a strong leader?

Yes	28%
No	58%
Not sure	15%

44. Do you think Joe Biden is honest and trustworthy?

Yes	37%
No	49%
Not sure	14%

45. Do you have a favorable opinion of Xi Jinping?

Yes	5%
No	65%
Not sure	31%

46. Would you say Xi Jinping is a strong leader?

Yes	40%
No	23%
Not sure	37%

47. Do you think Xi Jinping is honest and trustworthy?

Yes	4%
No	62%
Not sure	34%

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

Very favorable	4%
Somewhat favorable	17%
Somewhat unfavorable	12%
Very unfavorable	10%
Don't know	56%

49. How much have you heard about the death of the leader of ISIS, Abu Ibrahim al-Hashimi al-Qurayshi?

A lot	17%
A little	57%
Nothing at all	26%

50. Do you approve or disapprove of the recent U.S. military raid that resulted in the death of ISIS leader Abu Ibrahim al-Hashimi al-Qurayshi?

Strongly approve	35%
Somewhat approve	25%
Somewhat disapprove	10%
Strongly disapprove	5%
Not sure	25%

51. Do you approve or disapprove of the way President Biden is handling ISIS?

Strongly approve	15%
Somewhat approve	23%
Somewhat disapprove	15%
Strongly disapprove	21%
Not sure	26%

52. Has ISIS been completely defeated?

Yes	4%
No	76%
Not sure	20%

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

Very familiar	14%
Somewhat familiar	38%
Not very familiar	27%
Not familiar at all	20%

54. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of NATO?

Very favorable	16%
Somewhat favorable	33%
Somewhat unfavorable	17%
Very unfavorable	8%
Don't know	27%

55. Do you think the U.S. should withdraw from NATO or remain a member?

Withdraw from NATO	17%
Remain in NATO	49%
Not sure	34%

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

Yes	44%
No	16%
Not sure	40%

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

A lot	44%
A little	38%
Nothing at all	19%

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

To take a strong stand so that Russia does not take over Ukraine by force	49%
For the U.S. to maintain good relations with Russia	23%
Not sure	28%

59. In the conflict between Russia and Ukraine, who do you sympathize with more?

Russia	5%
Ukraine	58%
Neither	21%
Not sure	16%

60. 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	50%	20%	31%
Sending financial aid to Ukraine	42%	24%	34%
Sending weapons to Ukraine	38%	31%	31%
Allowing Ukraine to join NATO	43%	15%	42%
Sending soldiers to Ukraine to provide help, but not to fight Russian soldiers	33%	34%	33%

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Sending soldiers to Ukraine to fight Russian soldiers	13%	55%	33%
Sending troops to NATO ally countries in eastern Europe	40%	23%	37%

61. 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	12%	46%	42%
Sending financial aid to Russia	7%	66%	26%
Imposing economic sanctions on Ukraine	7%	62%	30%
Allowing Russia greater influence in former Soviet countries	7%	61%	32%

62. Russian President Vladimir Putin has asked for legal assurances that Ukraine will never be allowed to join NATO. Should the United States continue to support Ukraine's prospective membership in NATO, or not?

Asked of a randomly assigned half-sample

Yes	40%
No	20%
Not sure	41%

63. Republican Senator Josh Hawley has asked the Biden administration to stop supporting Ukraine's prospective membership in NATO. Should the United States continue to support Ukraine's prospective membership in NATO, or not?

Asked of a randomly assigned half-sample

Yes	38%
No	22%
Not sure	40%

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

Very closely	30%
Somewhat closely	40%
Not very closely	18%
Not following at all	12%

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

Yes, me	20%
Yes, a family member	51%
Yes, a close friend	48%
No	21%
Prefer not to say	3%

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

Yes, me	8%
Yes, a family member	27%
Yes, a close friend	27%
No	48%
Prefer not to say	4%

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

Yes, a family member	14%
Yes, a close friend	23%
No	61%
Prefer not to say	5%

68. 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	18%
Somewhat worried	32%
Not too worried	28%
Not worried at all	23%

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

Always	38%
Most of the time	22%
Some of the time	21%
Never	19%

70. 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	30%
Cloth	34%
Other	5%
Not sure	6%

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

Increasing	22%
Not changing	18%
Decreasing	45%
Not sure	16%

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

Increasing	18%
Not changing	20%
Decreasing	42%
Not sure	20%

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

The pandemic is going to get worse	17%
We are currently in the worst part of the pandemic	16%
The worst part of the pandemic is behind us	44%
Not sure	22%

74. How much, if anything, have you heard in the news recently about the Omicron variant of the COVID-19 virus?

A lot	45%
A little	46%
Nothing at all	9%

75. Taking into consideration both your risk of contracting it and the seriousness of the illness, how worried are you personally about experiencing this new variant?

Very worried	18%
Somewhat worried	32%
Not too worried	26%
Not worried at all	24%

76. Which statement describes you best?

I have received at least ONE shot of ANY manufacturer's COVID-19 vaccine	71%
I have NOT received ANY shots of ANY manufacturer's COVID-19 vaccine	29%

77. 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	33%
I have received at least THREE shots	56%

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

Asked of those who have received at least one shot

Pfizer-BioNtech	50%
Moderna	37%
Oxford-AstraZeneca	1%
Johnson & Johnson	10%
Don't remember	2%

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

Asked of those who have received at least two shots

Pfizer-BioNtech	51%
Moderna	42%
Oxford-AstraZeneca	1%
Johnson & Johnson	3%
Don't remember	2%

80. 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	45%
Oxford-AstraZeneca	1%
Johnson & Johnson	1%
Don't remember	2%

81. 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	3%
No, I have had only three shots	97%

82. 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	62%
I might get a shot of one of the COVID-19 vaccines in the future	18%
I definitely will get a shot of one of the COVID-19 vaccines in the future	7%
Prefer not to say	12%

83. 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	21%
No	13%
Not sure	8%
I have already received a booster	59%

84. Vaccination Status (Recoded)

I have received all the injections required to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19	66%
I have started the vaccination process, but need another shot	4%
I plan to get vaccinated	2%
I will not get vaccinated	18%
I'm not sure about getting vaccinated	9%

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

Yes 23%
No 77%

86. 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 75%
No 25%

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

Asked of parents of children under 18

Yes 33%
No 67%

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

Asked of parents of children under 18

Yes 81%
No 19%

89. 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 42%
My children have started the vaccination process, but need another shot 8%
I plan to get my children vaccinated 10%
I will not get my children vaccinated 24%
I'm not sure about getting my children vaccinated 16%

90. 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 35%
I'm not sure about getting my children vaccinated 24%

91. If children between age six months and five years become eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine, what effect do you expect that to have on ...?

	Very positive	Slightly positive	No effect	Slightly negative	Very negative	Not sure
Children in that age range	27%	14%	17%	6%	16%	19%
Parents and siblings of children in that age range	29%	14%	17%	6%	14%	20%
Other Americans	24%	16%	21%	5%	13%	22%

92. Do you think the following groups of people should or should not be required to be vaccinated against COVID-19?

	Should	Should not	Not sure
Members of the military	51%	34%	15%
Students in K-12 schools who are eligible to get the vaccine	45%	38%	17%
Teachers in K-12 schools who are eligible to get the vaccine	52%	32%	16%

93. Should children in school be allowed to keep attending school if they...

	Yes	No	Not sure
Test positive for COVID-19 but are asymptomatic	22%	59%	19%
Are a close contact of someone who tested positive but have not tested positive	38%	39%	23%

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

Parents	35%
Teachers	6%
School administrators	28%
The government	17%
Someone else	2%
Not sure	13%

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

Yes	39%
No	47%
Not sure	14%

96. Do you believe colleges and universities should be allowed to mandate vaccines for their students?

Yes	45%
No	44%
Not sure	12%

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

Yes	52%
No	38%
Not sure	10%

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

Yes	51%
No	37%
Not sure	11%

99. Do you believe colleges and universities should be allowed to mandate masks for their students?

Yes 54%
No 36%
Not sure 10%

100. Right now, do you believe that K-12 schools should be open for in-person learning or online learning?

Completely in-person 33%
Mostly in-person, and some online 31%
Mostly online, and some in-person 16%
Completely online 8%
Not sure 12%

101. 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	46%	10%	15%	15%	13%
Stores	38%	22%	25%	5%	9%
Restaurants	38%	22%	24%	8%	8%
Bars	26%	17%	22%	23%	12%
Workplaces	40%	16%	17%	16%	11%
Schools	43%	14%	15%	17%	11%

102. How much, if anything, have you heard about a government website to request that COVID-19 at-home tests be mailed to you at no cost?

A lot 37%
A little 47%
Nothing at all 16%

103. Did you try to request COVID-19 at-home tests be mailed to you at no cost from the government website?

Asked of those who have heard about the government website

Yes, and I succeeded 45%
Yes, but I was unable to 10%
No, I did not try to request tests 45%

104. Have you received your COVID-19 tests in the mail?

Asked of those who successfully requested tests

Yes 41%
No 58%
Not sure 1%

105. Which one are you most concerned about?

- Protecting Americans from the health effects of the coronavirus outbreak54%
- Protecting Americans from the economic effects of the coronavirus outbreak 46%

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

- Strongly approve 18%
- Somewhat approve 23%
- Somewhat disapprove 15%
- Strongly disapprove 35%
- Not sure 9%

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

- The pandemic has already ended 12%
- In the first half of 2022 8%
- In the second half of 2022 15%
- After 2022 39%
- Never 26%

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

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know
Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez	17%	17%	8%	35%	24%
Joe Manchin	10%	19%	14%	23%	34%
Kyrsten Sinema	7%	15%	13%	22%	42%
Liz Cheney	11%	20%	14%	25%	30%
Adam Kinzinger	8%	13%	10%	16%	52%
Ronna McDaniel	4%	9%	9%	15%	62%
Mitt Romney	5%	21%	25%	29%	20%
Rudy Giuliani	13%	17%	12%	38%	21%

109. How much attention have you been paying to the 2022 congressional elections?

- A lot 22%
- A little 44%
- None at all 34%

110. How likely is it that you will vote in the November 2022 congressional elections?

- Definitely will vote 51%
- Probably will vote 13%
- Might vote 11%
- Probably will not vote 12%
- Definitely will not vote 13%

111. Compared to voting in previous Congressional election years, are you more or less enthusiastic about voting in this year's congressional election?

More enthusiastic	28%
Less enthusiastic	21%
About the same	36%
Not sure	14%

112. What is your preference for the outcome of this year's congressional elections for the U.S. Senate?

Senate controlled by Democrats	34%
Senate controlled by Republicans	36%
Senate evenly divided between both parties	11%
No preference	18%

113. What do you expect will be the outcome of this year's congressional elections for the U.S. Senate?

Democrats win majority in the Senate	22%
Republicans win majority in the Senate	38%
Senate remains evenly divided between both parties	13%
Not sure	27%

114. What is your preference for the outcome of this year's congressional elections for the U.S. House of Representatives?

House controlled by Democrats	37%
House controlled by Republicans	35%
House evenly divided between both parties	11%
No preference	17%

115. What do you expect will be the outcome of this year's congressional elections for the U.S. House of Representatives?

Democrats retain majority in the House	26%
Republicans win majority in the House	36%
House becomes evenly divided between both parties	12%
Not sure	26%

116. How big of a problem do you think it is when states draw legislative districts that intentionally favor one party?

Major problem	66%
Minor problem	23%
Not a problem	11%

117. Which of these best describes how legislative districts are drawn in your state?

The state legislature	33%
An independent commission	18%
Don't know	50%

118. Do you think legislative districts are drawn fairly or unfairly in your state?

Very fairly	8%
Somewhat fairly	20%
Somewhat unfairly	17%
Very unfairly	19%
Not sure	35%

119. Do you support or oppose...?

	Strongly support	Somewhat support	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	Not sure
Gerrymandering	4%	6%	12%	48%	31%
Requiring all districts are drawn in public and in a fully transparent manner	59%	15%	5%	1%	21%
Banning lobbyists from participating in redistricting	52%	13%	6%	4%	25%
Requiring public input on proposed congressional and legislative voting districts	39%	24%	8%	4%	26%
Requiring that redistricting is conducted by a nonpartisan redistricting commission	45%	18%	6%	4%	26%

120. Do you think the Supreme Court should uphold or strike down congressional districts that have been drawn to give lopsided advantages to the party in power?

Uphold	12%
Strike down	58%
Not sure	30%

121. Will you watch the Super Bowl this year?

Definitely watch	23%
Probably watch	24%
Probably not watch	15%
Definitely not watch	29%
Not sure	10%

122. What is your favorite part of the Super Bowl broadcast?

Asked of those who plan on watching the Super Bowl

The actual game itself	52%
The half time show	17%
The commercials	27%
Not sure	4%

123. Which of the following, if any, best describes your plans for watching the Super Bowl?

Watch at home on my own or with other members of my household	60%
Host friends/family at my home	13%
Join friends/family at someone else's home	12%
Watch someplace else (e.g., restaurant, bar)	5%
Attend in person	3%
I'm not sure, but I do plan to watch	8%

124. Which team do you think is MOST LIKELY to win the Super Bowl this year?

Cincinnati Bengals	22%
Los Angeles Rams	29%
Don't care	49%

125. Which team do you WANT to win the Super Bowl this year?

Cincinnati Bengals	25%
Los Angeles Rams	22%
Don't care	53%

126. Thinking about the Winter Olympics this year, how much of the events do you expect you will watch?

I will watch events every day	5%
I will watch lots of events when I can	11%
I will watch a few events	28%
I will not watch any of them	44%
Not sure	12%

127. How much have you heard in the news about the U.S. diplomatic boycott of the Winter Olympics in China?

A lot	17%
A little	49%
Nothing at all	34%

128. Do you support or oppose the U.S. diplomatic boycott of the Winter Olympics in China?

Strongly support	29%
Somewhat support	19%
Somewhat oppose	11%
Strongly oppose	5%
Not sure	35%

129. Do you think the International Olympic Committee made a good decision in holding the Winter Olympic Games in Beijing, China in light of the COVID-19 pandemic?

Good decision	15%
Bad decision	51%
Not sure	34%

130. Do you expect the Winter Olympics in Beijing, China to be successful or unsuccessful?

Very successful	8%
Somewhat successful	29%
Somewhat unsuccessful	18%
Very unsuccessful	14%
Not sure	32%

131. 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	15%
Somewhat approve	24%
Somewhat disapprove	14%
Strongly disapprove	20%
Not sure	27%

132. Do you approve or disapprove of the decision to limit the number of spectators at any events in the Winter Olympics this year?

Strongly approve	30%
Somewhat approve	22%
Somewhat disapprove	11%
Strongly disapprove	13%
Not sure	26%

133. Do you believe that Olympics athletes should be required to get vaccinated in order to participate in the Winter Olympic Games?

They should be required to get vaccinated	46%
They should not be required to get vaccinated	34%
Not sure	19%

134. 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	17%
Somewhat likely	30%
Not very likely	22%
Not likely at all	9%
Not sure	22%

135. 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	37%
Athletes should not be allowed to protest	39%
Not sure	24%

136. How important are the following issues to you?

	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not very Important	Unimportant
Jobs and the economy	66%	27%	5%	2%
Immigration	47%	33%	14%	5%
Climate change and the environment	43%	24%	17%	16%
Foreign policy	36%	46%	12%	6%
National Security	61%	27%	7%	4%
Education	59%	29%	7%	4%
Health care	66%	23%	8%	3%
Taxes and government spending	59%	32%	7%	3%
Abortion	45%	28%	17%	10%
Civil rights	53%	26%	15%	5%
Civil liberties	55%	29%	11%	5%
Guns	51%	25%	15%	9%
Crime	61%	28%	8%	3%
Criminal justice reform	50%	31%	13%	7%

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

Jobs and the economy	14%
Immigration	9%
Climate change and the environment	14%
Foreign policy	1%
National Security	8%
Education	4%
Health care	17%
Taxes and government spending	9%
Abortion	5%
Civil rights	6%
Civil liberties	3%
Guns	5%
Crime	3%
Criminal justice reform	3%

138. 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	21%	21%	12%	40%	6%
Kamala Harris	17%	20%	11%	41%	11%
Nancy Pelosi	14%	20%	10%	44%	12%
Kevin McCarthy	7%	18%	12%	30%	34%
Mitch McConnell	4%	16%	19%	43%	18%
Chuck Schumer	12%	18%	12%	36%	22%
Donald Trump	24%	16%	10%	45%	6%
Barack Obama	33%	17%	13%	30%	7%
Harry Reid	11%	14%	11%	22%	42%

139. 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	15%	23%	14%	37%	11%
The Republican Party	14%	20%	17%	37%	11%

140. 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	9%
About the same	28%
Less than usual	40%
Not sure	23%

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

Democrats in Congress	44%
Republicans in Congress	21%
Both equally	29%
Neither	3%
Not sure	2%

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

Strongly approve	16%
Somewhat approve	23%
Somewhat disapprove	12%
Strongly disapprove	38%
Not sure	11%

143. 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%	23%	12%	36%	11%
Climate change and the environment	14%	24%	15%	30%	17%
National Security	17%	22%	13%	33%	15%
Taxes and government spending	13%	21%	13%	39%	14%

144. Would you say Joe Biden is...

Very liberal	28%
Liberal	20%
Moderate	28%
Conservative	7%
Very conservative	2%
Not sure	15%

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

A lot	20%
Some	20%
Not much	16%
Doesn't care at all	37%
Not sure	8%

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

Like a lot	22%
Like somewhat	16%
Neither like nor dislike	17%
Dislike somewhat	10%
Dislike a lot	26%
Not sure	9%

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

Very strong	14%
Somewhat strong	25%
Somewhat weak	19%
Very weak	41%

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

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

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

Confident	33%
Uneasy	52%
Not sure	14%

150. Do you think Joe Biden...

Says what he believes	35%
Says what he thinks people want to hear	49%
Not sure	17%

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

Yes	17%
No	59%
Not sure	23%

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

Optimistic	32%
Pessimistic	48%
Not sure	20%

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

Strongly approve	5%
Somewhat approve	11%
Neither approve nor disapprove	17%
Somewhat disapprove	21%
Strongly disapprove	32%
Not sure	14%

154. 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	13%
Somewhat approve	19%
Somewhat disapprove	10%
Strongly disapprove	41%
Not sure	17%

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

Strongly approve	11%
Somewhat approve	17%
Somewhat disapprove	14%
Strongly disapprove	35%
Not sure	23%

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

Strongly approve	5%
Somewhat approve	17%
Somewhat disapprove	18%
Strongly disapprove	39%
Not sure	21%

157. 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	16%
Somewhat disapprove	14%
Strongly disapprove	31%
Not sure	32%

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

Strongly approve	9%
Somewhat approve	30%
Somewhat disapprove	23%
Strongly disapprove	17%
Not sure	20%

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

Very liberal	3%
Liberal	10%
Moderate	28%
Conservative	23%
Very conservative	14%
Not sure	22%

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

Getting better	16%
About the same	25%
Getting worse	49%
Not sure	10%

161. Do you think the stock market will be higher or lower 12 months from now?	
Higher	18%
About the same	24%
Lower	26%
Not sure	32%
162. 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?	
Yes	39%
No	61%
163. Would you say that you and your family are...	
Better off financially than you were a year ago	16%
About the same financially as you were a year ago	41%
Worse off financially than you were a year ago	34%
Not sure	9%
164. Six months from now do you think there will be...	
More jobs	23%
The same amount of jobs	38%
Fewer jobs	19%
Not sure	21%
165. How worried are you about losing your job?	
Very worried	9%
Somewhat worried	25%
Not very worried	66%
166. 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?	
Very hard – I would probably have to take a pay cut.	28%
Somewhat hard – It might take a while before I found a job that paid as much.	30%
Not very hard	30%
Not sure	13%
167. How happy would you say you are with your current job?	
Very happy	23%
Happy	36%
Neither happy nor unhappy	30%
Unhappy	7%
Very unhappy	5%

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

Very liberal	12%
Liberal	14%
Moderate	31%
Conservative	20%
Very conservative	13%
Not sure	10%

169. Are you registered to vote?

Registered	79%
Not registered	21%

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

Joe Biden	35%
Donald Trump	32%
Other	1%
Did not vote for President	32%

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

Democrat	30%
Republican	27%
Independent	31%
Other	3%
Not sure	8%

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

Strong Democrat	20%
Not very strong Democrat	10%
Lean Democrat	8%
Independent	21%
Lean Republican	8%
Not very strong Republican	10%
Strong Republican	17%
Not sure	5%

173. At any point in your life, have you ever considered yourself a Democrat?
Asked of Independents and Republicans

Yes	30%
No	59%
Not sure	11%

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

Asked of Independents and Democrats

Yes	21%
No	67%
Not sure	12%

175. 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	9%
Much more to the right	6%
Don't know	19%

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

Much more to the left	6%
Slightly more left	9%
About the same	21%
Slightly more right	14%
Much more to the right	31%
Don't know	19%

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

Democratic Party	50%
Republican Party	50%

178. 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%

179. 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	43%
The Republican Party candidate	39%
Other	2%
Not sure	11%
I would not vote	5%

180. Are you... ?

Male	48%
Female	52%

181. Respondent age by category

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

182. What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

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

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

HS or less	36%
Some college	29%
College grad	22%
Postgrad	13%

184. What is your marital status?

Married	43%
Separated	2%
Divorced	11%
Widowed	7%
Never married	30%
Domestic / civil partnership	7%

185. Calculated from respondent's state of residence

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

186. How would you describe the place where you live?

Urban	30%
Suburb	35%
Rural/Other	35%

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

Full-time	36%
Part-time	8%
Temporarily laid off	0%
Unemployed	9%
Retired	22%
Permanently disabled	8%
Homemaker	5%
Student	11%
Other	1%

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

Under \$50K	40%
\$50-100K	27%
\$100K or more	19%
Prefer not to say	13%

189. How important is religion in your life?

Very important	34%
Somewhat important	27%
Not too important	17%
Not at all important	22%

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

More than once a week	7%
Once a week	17%
Once or twice a month	7%
A few times a year	11%
Seldom	21%
Never	32%
Don't know	4%

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

Yes	28%
No	72%

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

Several times a day	25%
Once a day	14%
A few times a week	10%
Once a week	3%
A few times a month	7%
Seldom	16%
Never	19%
Don't know	6%

193. What is your present religion, if any?

Protestant	27%
Roman Catholic	20%
Mormon	2%
Eastern or Greek Orthodox	1%
Jewish	2%
Muslim	2%
Buddhist	1%
Hindu	1%
Atheist	5%
Agnostic	6%
Nothing in particular	25%
Something else	9%

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Sponsorship	<i>The Economist</i>
Fieldwork	YouGov
Interviewing Dates	February 5 - 8, 2022
Target population	US Adult Population
Sampling method	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.
Weighting	The sample was weighted based on gender, age, race, education, and both 2016 and 2020 Presidential votes (or non-votes). The weights range from 0.148 to 6.039, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.586.
Number of respondents	1500 1255 (Registered voters)
Margin of error	± 2.9% (adjusted for weighting) ± 3% (Registered voters)
Survey mode	Web-based interviews
Questions not reported	43 questions not reported.