

# The Economist/YouGov Poll



Sample 1500 US Adult citizens  
Conducted August 2 - 4, 2020  
Margin of Error ±3.3%

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

Generally headed in the right direction	24%
Off on the wrong track	66%
Not sure	10%

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

Very closely	37%
Somewhat closely	45%
Not very closely	13%
Not following at all	6%

## 3. Do you personally know anyone who... [worn a face mask in public]? Check all that apply.

Yes, me	88%
Yes, a family member	64%
Yes, a close friend	49%
No	4%
Prefer not to say	1%

## 4. Do you personally know anyone who... [has had their work hours reduced due to covid-19]? Check all that apply.

Yes, me	19%
Yes, a family member	28%
Yes, a close friend	24%
No	44%
Prefer not to say	3%

## 5. Do you personally know anyone who... [has been laid off from work due to covid-19]? Check all that apply.

Yes, me	12%
Yes, a family member	20%
Yes, a close friend	21%
No	53%
Prefer not to say	2%

## 6. Do you personally know anyone who... [has had to start working from home due to covid-19]? Check all that apply.

Yes, me	18%
Yes, a family member	33%
Yes, a close friend	24%
No	41%
Prefer not to say	2%

**7. Do you personally know anyone who... [has tested positive for covid-19]? Check all that apply.**

Yes, me .....	3%
Yes, a family member .....	11%
Yes, a close friend .....	16%
No .....	69%
Prefer not to say .....	2%

**8. Do you personally know anyone who... [has died due to complications from covid-19]? Check all that apply.**

Yes, a family member .....	6%
Yes, a close friend .....	10%
No .....	82%
Prefer not to say .....	3%

**9. 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 .....	25%
Somewhat worried .....	40%
Not too worried .....	23%
Not worried at all .....	12%

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

The pandemic is going to get worse .....	46%
We are currently in the worst part of the pandemic .....	20%
The worst part of the pandemic is behind us .....	17%
Not sure .....	17%

**11. Looking at the COVID-19 pandemic in your community, do you believe that...**

The pandemic is going to get worse .....	37%
We are currently in the worst part of the pandemic .....	20%
The worst part of the pandemic is behind us .....	23%
Not sure .....	21%

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

Increasing .....	45%
Not changing .....	21%
Decreasing .....	16%
Not sure .....	19%

**13. When do you think it will be safe to end social distancing measures and reopen businesses as normal?**

It is safe right now .....	15%
In about two weeks .....	3%
In a month or so .....	6%
In several months .....	25%
In about a year or longer .....	32%
Not sure .....	20%

**14. Which one are you most concerned about?**

Protecting Americans from the health effects of the COVID-19 outbreak .....	63%
Protecting Americans from the economic effects of the COVID-19 outbreak .....	37%

**15. How long do you believe it will take before the U.S. economy fully recovers from the effects of COVID-19?**

Less than one month .....	4%
Three months or so .....	6%
Six months or so .....	13%
At least a year .....	36%
Several years .....	37%
Never .....	4%

**16. Has the COVID-19 outbreak caused you to have any trouble paying rent, utilities, mortgage payments, or any other housing cost?**

Yes .....	23%
No .....	70%
Not sure .....	7%

**17. Has the COVID-19 outbreak caused you to have any trouble buying enough food for your household?**

Yes .....	22%
No .....	73%
Not sure .....	5%

**18. How long do you think it will be before a vaccine for COVID-19 is available to the public?**

Before the end of the summer .....	3%
By the end of 2020 .....	23%
By the summer of 2021 .....	30%
By the end of 2021 .....	13%
2022 or later .....	7%
Not sure .....	24%

19. Coronavirus vaccines are being fast-tracked through the approval process. How concerned are you about the safety of coronavirus vaccines?

Very concerned	35%
Somewhat concerned	38%
Not very concerned	15%
Not concerned at all	6%
Not sure	7%

20. Do you believe it would be safe for the country to fully reopen, with no restrictions, before a vaccine became available?

Yes	22%
No	60%
Not sure	18%

21. If and when a coronavirus vaccine becomes available, will you get vaccinated?

Yes	40%
No	27%
Not sure	33%

22. In general, how safe are vaccines given to children for diseases like measles, mumps, and rubella?

Very safe	52%
Somewhat safe	34%
Not very safe	9%
Not safe at all	5%

23. Do you think parents should be required to have their children vaccinated against infectious diseases?

Yes	64%
No	19%
Not sure	17%

24. How much have you heard about the start or restart of professional sports leagues such as Major League Baseball (MLB), the National Hockey League (NHL), and National Basketball Association (NBA)?

A lot	28%
A little	52%
Nothing at all	20%

25. Do you think it is safe for professional athletes to resume playing their sports?

Yes	27%
No	44%
Not sure	28%

26. Do you think that professional sports leagues started up again too early, too late, or at about the right time?

Too early .....	43%
About the right time .....	25%
Too late .....	12%
Not sure .....	20%

27. From what you know now, do you think the following sports leagues will be able to finish their seasons?

	Yes	No	Not sure
Major League Baseball (MLB)	20%	45%	35%
National Hockey League (NHL)	29%	30%	41%
National Basketball Association (NBA)	26%	36%	38%

28. Recently, Major League Baseball (MLB) has seen several cases of COVID-19 among its players, including outbreaks in a couple of teams. Do you think that the MLB season should be postponed in light of these outbreaks?

Yes .....	54%
No .....	22%
Not sure .....	23%

29. How much have you heard in the news lately about some college athletic conferences reducing some or eliminating all sports competitions for the coming Fall Semester?

A lot .....	14%
A little .....	49%
Nothing at all .....	37%

30. Some college athletic conferences have proposed allowing sports competitions only within their own conferences, to eliminate potential spread of COVID-19. Do you approve or disapprove of this decision?

Strongly approve .....	14%
Somewhat approve .....	31%
Somewhat disapprove .....	17%
Strongly disapprove .....	11%
Not sure .....	27%

31. Do you approve or disapprove of college athletic conferences eliminating all games and competitions held this Fall Semester?

Strongly approve .....	28%
Somewhat approve .....	27%
Somewhat disapprove .....	13%
Strongly disapprove .....	10%
Not sure .....	21%

**32. Do you approve or disapprove of Donald Trump's handling of COVID-19 outbreak?**

Strongly approve	19%
Somewhat approve	18%
Somewhat disapprove	12%
Strongly disapprove	43%
Not sure	8%

**33. How well do you think the federal government has handled COVID-19 so far?**

Excellent	8%
Good	21%
Fair	22%
Poor	44%
Not sure	6%

**34. How well do you think your state government has handled COVID-19 so far?**

Excellent	11%
Good	29%
Fair	28%
Poor	27%
Not sure	6%

**35. How well do you think your local government has handled COVID-19 so far?**

Excellent	11%
Good	33%
Fair	27%
Poor	20%
Not sure	9%

**36. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of the following people or organizations?**

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know
Anthony Fauci	35%	25%	12%	13%	15%
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)	25%	41%	16%	9%	8%

37. How much do you trust medical advice from each of the following officials?

	Trust a lot	Trust somewhat	Neither trust nor distrust	Distrust somewhat	Distrust a lot	Not sure
Joe Biden	16%	21%	14%	10%	34%	6%
Donald Trump	16%	15%	9%	11%	45%	4%
Anthony Fauci	34%	21%	11%	9%	13%	12%
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)	24%	36%	13%	12%	10%	5%
Medical professionals	31%	43%	13%	7%	3%	4%
Your doctor	45%	31%	10%	5%	2%	8%

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

Strongly support	54%
Somewhat support	17%
Somewhat oppose	8%
Strongly oppose	15%
Not sure	6%

39. Many U.S. states have already reopened large sectors of their economy. Do you believe it is likely or unlikely that this has resulted in an increase in COVID-19 cases?

Very likely	45%
Somewhat likely	27%
Not very likely	11%
Not likely at all	7%
Not sure	10%

40. Should each of the following be reopened, or remain closed out of concern for coronavirus?

	Definitely re-open	Probably re-open	Probably remain closed	Definitely remain closed	Not sure
Bars	13%	14%	25%	42%	6%
Churches	24%	19%	24%	26%	7%
Indoor dining	17%	23%	26%	28%	7%
Outdoor dining	30%	39%	15%	8%	8%
Beaches	21%	25%	25%	21%	8%

41. Would you support or oppose some of the states that have reopened sectors of their economy closing again do to COVID-19 concerns?

Strongly support	28%
Somewhat support	27%
Somewhat oppose	15%
Strongly oppose	16%
Not sure	14%

42. This spring, the U.S. Congress passed a law to provide stimulus spending to combat the economic effects of COVID-19. In the law, the federal government provided additional money, up to \$600 per week, to temporarily increase unemployment payments. The provision for increased unemployment payments expires at the end of the month. What do you think the Congress should do?

Congress should renew the law and continue providing an extra \$600 per week in increased unemployment payments	33%
Congress should renew the law and continue providing an extra amount less than \$600 per week in increased unemployment payments	34%
Congress should let the law expire and end increased unemployment payments	20%
Not sure	13%

43. Do you think a second round of stimulus spending is needed to combat the economic effects of the COVID-19 on the following groups? Check all that apply.

Yes, for people	73%
Yes, for businesses	42%
Yes, for state governments	30%
No, there should be no second round of stimulus spending	10%
Not sure	9%

44. How much have you heard about Joe Biden’s proposals for containing the COVID-19 outbreak?

A lot	13%
A little	44%
Nothing at all	43%

45. Are you confident in Joe Biden’s ability to deal with the COVID-19 outbreak, or are you uneasy about his approach?

Confident	32%
Uneasy	45%
Not sure	23%

46. Are you confident in Donald Trump’s ability to deal wisely with the coronavirus outbreak, or are you uneasy about his approach?

Confident	33%
Uneasy	55%
Not sure	12%



47. How concerned are you that politicians getting coronavirus could prevent the U.S. government from functioning properly?

Very concerned	14%
Somewhat concerned	35%
Not very concerned	32%
Not concerned at all	19%

48. Do you believe members of Congress should be able to vote on bills and carry out their normal duties from their offices away from the Capitol in Washington, D.C.?

Yes	59%
No	22%
Not sure	19%

49. Do you think race relations in the United States are generally...

Good	35%
Bad	65%

50. How big a problem is racism in our society today?

A big problem	42%
Somewhat of a problem	32%
A small problem	19%
Not a problem	7%

51. In the next 10 years, do you think race relations in the United States will get...

Better	37%
Stay about the same	46%
Worse	17%

52. How much have you heard about the Trump Administration sending federal security officers from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to deal with protests in Portland?

A lot	43%
A little	41%
Nothing at all	16%

53. President Trump has suggested sending more federal security officers from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to deal with protests in other major American cities without being requested by state or local government. Would you approve or disapprove of this decision?

Strongly approve	25%
Somewhat approve	15%
Somewhat disapprove	12%
Strongly disapprove	38%
Not sure	10%

**54. Are you better off now than you were four years ago?**

Better off now .....	40%
Better off four years ago .....	39%
Not sure .....	21%

**55. Is the country better off now than it was four years ago?**

Better off now .....	26%
Better off four years ago .....	55%
Not sure .....	19%

**56. How often do you support or oppose President Trump's policies?**

Always support President Trump's policies .....	9%
Support President Trump's policies most of the time, but oppose a few .....	22%
50/50 - Support or oppose President Trump's policies about half of the time .....	15%
Oppose President Trump's policies most of the time, but support a few .....	23%
Always oppose President Trump's policies .....	24%
Not sure .....	7%

**57. How much attention have you been paying to the 2020 election campaign for president?**

A lot .....	37%
Some .....	29%
Only a little .....	24%
None at all .....	10%

**58. Did you vote in the Democratic or Republican Presidential primary or caucus in your state in 2020?**

*Asked of registered voters*

Democratic primary/caucus .....	43%
Republican primary/caucus .....	32%
Neither one .....	22%
Not sure .....	3%

**59. Between Joe Biden and Bernie Sanders, who would you have preferred to be the Democratic nominee?**

*Asked of those who voted in the Democratic presidential primary in their state*

Joe Biden .....	61%
Bernie Sanders .....	32%
Not sure .....	7%

**60. How important is voting for President this November?**

*Among registered voters*

Very important .....	86%
Somewhat important .....	9%
Not very important .....	3%
Not important at all .....	2%

61. How enthusiastic are you about voting for President in the upcoming presidential election in November?

*Among registered voters*

Extremely enthusiastic	47%
Very enthusiastic	17%
Somewhat enthusiastic	17%
Not too enthusiastic	12%
Not at all enthusiastic	7%

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

*Among registered voters*

More enthusiastic	50%
Less enthusiastic	20%
About the same	27%
Not sure	3%

63. If an election for president were going to be held now and the Democratic nominee was Joe Biden and the Republican nominee was Donald Trump, would you vote for...

*Among registered voters*

Joe Biden	49%
Donald Trump	40%
Other	3%
Not sure	6%
I would not vote	2%

64. How do you feel about the presidential candidates listed below?

*Among registered voters*

	Enthusias- tic	Satisfied but not en- thusiastic	Dissatis- fied but not upset	Upset	Not sure
Joe Biden	23%	24%	18%	31%	3%
Donald Trump	29%	13%	9%	47%	2%

65. Would you say you are mostly voting FOR Joe Biden or AGAINST Donald Trump?

*Asked of those who would vote for Joe Biden*

I'm mostly voting FOR Joe Biden	36%
I'm mostly voting AGAINST Donald Trump	62%
Not sure	2%

66. Would you say you are mostly voting FOR Donald Trump or AGAINST Joe Biden?

*Asked of those who would vote for Donald Trump*

I'm mostly voting FOR Donald Trump	79%
I'm mostly voting AGAINST Joe Biden	19%
Not sure	2%

**67. Who do you think will win the 2020 presidential election?**

*Among registered voters*

Joe Biden .....	39%
Donald Trump .....	39%
Not sure .....	21%

**68. Which party do you think will win majority control of the U.S. Senate in 2020?**

*Among registered voters*

The Democratic Party .....	43%
The Republican Party .....	35%
Not sure .....	22%

**69. Which party do you think will win majority control of the U.S. House of Representatives in 2020?**

*Among registered voters*

The Democratic Party .....	50%
The Republican Party .....	30%
Not sure .....	20%

**70. Either Joe Biden or Donald Trump would be the oldest person ever inaugurated as President. Do you think their age might make it too difficult to do the work the presidency requires, or do you think age helps candidates to have the experience and wisdom to do a good job as president?**

Too difficult to do the work the presidency requires .....	25%
Age helps candidates to have the experience and wisdom to do a good job as president ..	42%
Not sure .....	33%

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

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know
Stacey Abrams	11%	19%	8%	19%	43%
Tammy Baldwin	5%	14%	9%	13%	60%
Karen Bass	5%	14%	7%	15%	59%
Keisha Lance Bottoms	8%	15%	8%	14%	54%
Val Demings	7%	12%	8%	13%	61%
Tammy Duckworth	11%	15%	8%	15%	51%
Michelle Lujan Grisham	4%	10%	7%	13%	65%
Kamala Harris	12%	25%	13%	25%	25%
Susan Rice	11%	18%	10%	19%	42%
Elizabeth Warren	16%	22%	14%	28%	20%
Gretchen Whitmer	7%	14%	9%	17%	53%

72. Of the choices listed below, who do you think Joe Biden should be select to be the Democratic Party nominee for Vice-President?

*Among those who would vote for Joe Biden*

Stacey Abrams	6%
Tammy Baldwin	1%
Karen Bass	1%
Keisha Lance Bottoms	3%
Val Demings	3%
Tammy Duckworth	8%
Michelle Lujan Grisham	0%
Kamala Harris	22%
Susan Rice	11%
Elizabeth Warren	21%
Gretchen Whitmer	3%
Someone else	3%
Not sure	19%

73. Is there any person Joe Biden could select to be his Vice-President that would make you change your mind and NOT vote for Joe Biden?

*Among registered voters who would vote for Joe Biden*

Yes	7%
No	82%
Not sure	11%

74. Is there any person Joe Biden could select to be his Vice-President that would make you change your mind and vote FOR Joe Biden?

*Among registered voters who would not vote for Joe Biden*

Yes	10%
No	79%
Not sure	11%

75. Of the choices listed below, who do you think Joe Biden should select to be the Democratic Party nominee for Vice-President?

*Asked of registered voters who might switch their vote to Biden depending upon whom he selects for VP*

Stacey Abrams	2%
Tammy Baldwin	3%
Karen Bass	6%
Keisha Lance Bottoms	10%
Val Demings	0%
Tammy Duckworth	1%
Michelle Lujan Grisham	1%
Kamala Harris	6%
Susan Rice	5%
Elizabeth Warren	11%
Gretchen Whitmer	3%
Someone else	45%
Not sure	6%

76. From what you know right now, what are the requirements to cast an absentee or mail-in ballot in your state?

Every voter in my state gets a mail-in ballot, with no application necessary	22%
It is necessary to request an absentee/mail-in ballot, but no excuse is required	47%
It is necessary to request an absentee/mail-in ballot, but you must have a valid excuse	31%

77. Do you think state governments should or should not send applications for mail-in ballots to every eligible voter in their states?

Should send applications for mail-in ballots to every eligible voter	49%
Should not send applications for mail-in ballots to every eligible voter	32%
Not sure	19%

78. Do you approve or disapprove of voting by mail?

Strongly approve	37%
Somewhat approve	22%
Somewhat disapprove	11%
Strongly disapprove	21%
Not sure	9%

79. How much voter fraud do you think there is with in person voting?

A lot	16%
A little	58%
None	26%

80. How much voter fraud do you think there is with voting by mail?

A lot	37%
A little	40%
None	23%

81. Do you believe voting by mail increases or decreases the chance of voter fraud, or do you think it doesn't make a difference?

Increase voter fraud .....	47%
Decrease voter fraud .....	10%
Not make any difference .....	43%

82. How do you plan on voting in 2020?

*Among registered voters*

In person on election day .....	41%
In person before the election .....	17%
By mail .....	40%
I will not vote this year .....	3%

83. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of the U.S. Postal Service?

Very favorable .....	33%
Somewhat favorable .....	39%
Somewhat unfavorable .....	15%
Very unfavorable .....	5%
Don't know .....	7%

84. How would you rate the job being done by the U.S. Postal Service?

Excellent .....	23%
Good .....	47%
Fair .....	23%
Poor .....	8%

85. How confident are you that the U.S. Postal Service will deliver mailed-in ballots in time to be counted?

Very confident .....	24%
Somewhat confident .....	44%
Not very confident .....	20%
Not confident at all .....	11%

86. How much confidence do you have that your vote in the 2020 presidential election will be counted accurately?

A great deal .....	24%
Quite a bit .....	23%
A moderate amount .....	22%
Only a little .....	11%
None at all .....	5%
Not sure .....	6%
Will not vote in 2020 presidential election .....	9%

**87. How much confidence do you have that the 2020 presidential election will be held fairly?**

A great deal	14%
Quite a bit	21%
A moderate amount	28%
Only a little	15%
None at all	11%
Not sure	11%

**88. Do you think the 2020 presidential election should be postponed if the coronavirus outbreak is not under control on election day?**

Yes	15%
No	66%
Not sure	19%

**89. How important are the following issues to you?**

	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not very Important	Unimportant
Jobs and the economy	70%	27%	2%	1%
Immigration	43%	38%	14%	4%
Climate change and the environment	42%	29%	15%	13%
National Security and foreign policy	48%	39%	10%	3%
Education	56%	32%	9%	3%
Health care	69%	23%	5%	2%
Taxes and government spending	51%	38%	8%	3%
Civil rights and civil liberties	53%	31%	12%	5%
Gun control	45%	28%	16%	11%
Crime and criminal justice reform	51%	36%	10%	3%

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

Jobs and the economy	22%
Immigration	6%
Climate change and the environment	8%
National Security and foreign policy	7%
Education	7%
Health care	29%
Taxes and government spending	7%
Civil rights and civil liberties	7%
Gun control	4%
Crime and criminal justice reform	4%



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

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know
Donald Trump	24%	16%	12%	45%	5%
Joe Biden	19%	24%	13%	36%	8%
Mike Pence	21%	19%	13%	34%	12%
Nancy Pelosi	16%	21%	12%	41%	10%
Mitch McConnell	6%	23%	16%	36%	18%

92. 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	20%	22%	15%	35%	8%
The Republican Party	17%	22%	18%	35%	8%

93. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as President?

Strongly approve	21%
Somewhat approve	19%
Somewhat disapprove	13%
Strongly disapprove	42%
Not sure	5%

94. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling these specific issues?

	Strongly approve	Somewhat approve	Somewhat disapprove	Strongly disapprove	No opinion
Jobs and the economy	29%	20%	13%	30%	8%
Immigration	28%	16%	10%	39%	6%
Climate change and the environment	18%	17%	10%	40%	16%
Terrorism	25%	20%	10%	35%	9%
Education	18%	23%	11%	35%	13%
Health care	19%	22%	12%	38%	9%
Taxes and government spending	20%	25%	12%	34%	10%
Civil rights and civil liberties	21%	18%	11%	39%	11%
Gun control	24%	18%	10%	34%	13%
Crime and criminal justice reform	20%	19%	13%	35%	12%

**95. Would you say Donald Trump is...**

Very liberal .....	6%
Liberal .....	5%
Moderate .....	14%
Conservative .....	30%
Very conservative .....	21%
Not sure .....	25%

**96. How much do you think Donald Trump cares about the needs and problems of people like you?**

A lot .....	20%
Some .....	18%
Not much .....	14%
Doesn't care at all .....	42%
Not sure .....	6%

**97. Regardless of whether you agree with him, do you like or dislike Donald Trump as a person?**

Like a lot .....	15%
Like somewhat .....	14%
Neither like nor dislike .....	14%
Dislike somewhat .....	11%
Dislike a lot .....	41%
Not sure .....	6%

**98. Would you say Donald Trump is a strong or a weak leader?**

Very strong .....	26%
Somewhat strong .....	22%
Somewhat weak .....	15%
Very weak .....	36%

**99. Do you think Donald Trump is honest and trustworthy, or not?**

Honest and trustworthy .....	31%
Not honest and trustworthy .....	56%
Not sure .....	13%

**100. Are you confident in Donald Trump's ability to deal wisely with an international crisis, or are you uneasy about his approach?**

Confident .....	36%
Uneasy .....	55%
Not sure .....	10%

101. Do you think the U.S. economy will get better, get worse or will it stay the same if Donald Trump is reelected President in 2020?

Get better .....	36%
Get worse .....	42%
Stay the same .....	13%
Not sure .....	10%

102. Do you think the way Donald Trump uses Twitter is appropriate or inappropriate for the President of the United States?

Appropriate .....	26%
Inappropriate .....	59%
Not sure .....	15%

103. Do you approve or disapprove of the way of the way Mike Pence is handling his job as Vice President?

Strongly approve .....	22%
Somewhat approve .....	19%
Somewhat disapprove .....	12%
Strongly disapprove .....	27%
Not sure .....	20%

104. Would you say Joe Biden is...

Very liberal .....	25%
Liberal .....	23%
Moderate .....	26%
Conservative .....	6%
Very conservative .....	3%
Not sure .....	18%

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

A lot .....	21%
Some .....	25%
Not much .....	18%
Doesn't care at all .....	28%
Not sure .....	8%

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

Like a lot .....	18%
Like somewhat .....	21%
Neither like nor dislike .....	19%
Dislike somewhat .....	10%
Dislike a lot .....	22%
Not sure .....	10%

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

Very strong .....	16%
Somewhat strong .....	31%
Somewhat weak .....	22%
Very weak .....	32%

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

Honest and trustworthy .....	38%
Not honest and trustworthy .....	40%
Not sure .....	22%

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

Confident .....	39%
Uneasy .....	43%
Not sure .....	18%

**110. Do you think the U.S. economy will get better, get worse or will it stay the same if Joe Biden is elected President in 2020?**

Get better .....	34%
Get worse .....	41%
Stay the same .....	11%
Not sure .....	14%

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

Strongly approve .....	3%
Somewhat approve .....	14%
Neither approve nor disapprove .....	19%
Somewhat disapprove .....	25%
Strongly disapprove .....	27%
Not sure .....	11%

**112. 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 .....	17%
Somewhat approve .....	22%
Somewhat disapprove .....	13%
Strongly disapprove .....	36%
Not sure .....	12%

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

Strongly approve	7%
Somewhat approve	23%
Somewhat disapprove	14%
Strongly disapprove	36%
Not sure	21%

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

A lot more than usual	3%
Somewhat more than usual	9%
About the same	22%
Somewhat less than usual	18%
A lot less than usual	30%
Not sure	19%

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

*Asked if respondent says Congress accomplished less than usual*

Democrats in Congress	36%
Republicans in Congress	33%
Both equally	27%
Neither	2%
Not sure	2%

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

Strongly approve	8%
Somewhat approve	41%
Somewhat disapprove	20%
Strongly disapprove	9%
Not sure	23%

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

Very liberal	3%
Liberal	12%
Moderate	32%
Conservative	21%
Very conservative	6%
Not sure	25%

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

Getting better	18%
About the same	21%
Getting worse	51%
Not sure	10%

**119. Do you think the stock market will be higher or lower 12 months from now?**

Higher	29%
About the same	24%
Lower	21%
Not sure	26%

**120. 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	38%
No	62%

**121. Would you say that you and your family are...**

Better off financially than you were a year ago	21%
About the same financially as you were a year ago	43%
Worse off financially than you were a year ago	29%
Not sure	6%

**122. Six months from now do you think there will be...**

More jobs	30%
The same amount of jobs	23%
Fewer jobs	26%
Not sure	21%

**123. How worried are you about losing your job?**

Very worried	15%
Somewhat worried	32%
Not very worried	53%

**124. 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.	36%
Somewhat hard – It might take a while before I found a job that paid as much.	34%
Not very hard	20%
Not sure	10%

**125. How happy would you say you are with your current job?**

Very happy .....	26%
Happy .....	36%
Neither happy nor unhappy .....	27%
Unhappy .....	7%
Very unhappy .....	4%

**126. Some people seem to follow what's going on in government and public affairs most of the time, whether there's an election going on or not. Others aren't that interested. Would you say you follow what's going on in government and public affairs ...**

Most of the time .....	30%
Some of the time .....	39%
Only now and then .....	20%
Hardly at all .....	9%
Don't know .....	1%

**127. Which cable news network do you watch the most?**

CNN .....	18%
Fox News .....	22%
MSNBC .....	9%
Other cable news network .....	5%
I don't watch any cable news .....	46%

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

Liberal .....	25%
Moderate .....	32%
Conservative .....	32%
Not sure .....	11%

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

Very liberal .....	9%
Liberal .....	16%
Moderate .....	32%
Conservative .....	20%
Very conservative .....	12%
Not sure .....	11%

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

Registered .....	70%
Not registered .....	30%

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

*Asked of registered voters*

The Democratic Party candidate .....	50%
The Republican Party candidate .....	38%
Other .....	1%
Not sure .....	8%
I would not vote .....	2%

**132. Did you vote in the 2016 Presidential primary or caucus in your state?**

*Asked of registered voters*

Yes, I voted in the Democratic Presidential primary or caucus .....	36%
Yes, I voted in the Republican Presidential primary or caucus .....	31%
No, I did not vote in either the Republican or Democratic Presidential primary or caucus .....	27%
I don't remember .....	6%

**133. Which candidate did you vote for in the 2016 Democratic Presidential primary or caucus in your state?**

*Asked of registered voters who voted in their state's 2016 Democratic Presidential primary or caucus*

Hillary Clinton .....	65%
Martin O'Malley .....	3%
Bernie Sanders .....	29%
Someone else .....	3%

**134. Which candidate did you vote for in the 2016 Republican Presidential primary or caucus in your state?**

*Asked of registered voters who voted in their state's 2016 Republican Presidential primary or caucus*

Donald Trump .....	61%
Someone else .....	39%

**135. Did you vote in the election on Tuesday, November 8, 2016?**

*Asked of registered voters*

Yes .....	64%
No .....	36%

**136. Who did you vote for in the election for President in 2016?**

Hillary Clinton .....	29%
Donald Trump .....	28%
Gary Johnson .....	2%
Jill Stein .....	1%
Evan McMullin .....	0%
Other .....	1%
Did not vote for President .....	39%



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

Democrat .....	33%
Republican .....	27%
Independent .....	28%
Other .....	2%
Not sure .....	10%

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

Strong Democrat .....	21%
Not very strong Democrat .....	12%
Lean Democrat .....	9%
Independent .....	18%
Lean Republican .....	8%
Not very strong Republican .....	8%
Strong Republican .....	18%
Not sure .....	6%

**139. Are you... ?**

Male .....	49%
Female .....	51%

**140. Respondent age by category**

Under 30 .....	21%
30-44 .....	24%
45-64 .....	34%
65+ .....	21%

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

White .....	68%
Black .....	13%
Hispanic .....	11%
Other .....	8%

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

HS or less .....	38%
Some college .....	33%
College grad .....	19%
Postgrad .....	10%

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

Married .....	45%
Separated .....	2%
Divorced .....	12%
Widowed .....	6%
Never married .....	29%
Domestic / civil partnership .....	6%

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

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

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

Northeast .....	18%
Midwest .....	22%
South .....	37%
West .....	23%

**146. Which of the following best describes the place where you live?**

A large city .....	19%
A suburb near a large city .....	34%
A small city or town .....	27%
A rural area .....	19%

**147. Overall, how would you rate your city or town as a place to live?**

Excellent .....	13%
Very good .....	32%
Good .....	38%
Only fair .....	14%
Poor .....	3%

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

Full-time employed .....	35%
Part-time employed .....	7%
Self-employed .....	4%
Unemployed or temporarily on layoff .....	12%
Retired .....	25%
Permanently disabled .....	10%
Homemaker .....	6%
Other .....	1%

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

Under \$50K .....	45%
\$50-100K .....	29%
\$100K or more .....	16%
Prefer not to say .....	10%

**150. We'd like to know whether you or someone in your immediate family is currently serving or has ever served in the U.S. military. Immediate family is defined as your parents, siblings, spouse, and children. Please check all boxes that apply.**

Military Household - I am .....	2%
Military Household - Family .....	8%
Military Household - I served previously .....	11%
Military Household - Family served previously .....	36%
Military Household - None .....	50%

**151. Are you or is someone in your household a member of a labor union?**

Yes, I am .....	8%
Yes, household member is .....	9%
No .....	85%

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

Very important .....	36%
Somewhat important .....	25%
Not too important .....	17%
Not at all important .....	22%

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

More than once a week .....	8%
Once a week .....	15%
Once or twice a month .....	7%
A few times a year .....	13%
Seldom .....	22%
Never .....	31%
Don't know .....	3%

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

Yes .....	30%
No .....	70%

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

Several times a day .....	27%
Once a day .....	13%
A few times a week .....	12%
Once a week .....	4%
A few times a month .....	6%
Seldom .....	17%
Never .....	18%
Don't know .....	4%

156. What is your present religion, if any?

Protestant .....	29%
Roman Catholic .....	19%
Mormon .....	2%
Eastern or Greek Orthodox .....	1%
Jewish .....	2%
Muslim .....	1%
Buddhist .....	1%
Hindu .....	1%
Atheist .....	6%
Agnostic .....	5%
Nothing in particular .....	25%
Something else .....	8%

# The Economist/YouGov Poll



<b>Sponsorship</b>	<i>The Economist</i>
<b>Fieldwork</b>	YouGov
<b>Interviewing Dates</b>	August 2 - 4, 2020
<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 2016 American Community Study. Voter registration was imputed from the November 2016 Current Population Survey Registration and Voting Supplement.
<b>Weighting</b>	The sample was weighted based on gender, age, race, education, and 2016 Presidential vote (or non-vote). The weights range from 0.201 to 6.531, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.816.
<b>Number of respondents</b>	1500 1229 (Registered voters)
<b>Margin of error</b>	± 3.3% (adjusted for weighting) ± 3.3% (Registered voters)
<b>Survey mode</b>	Web-based interviews
<b>Questions not reported</b>	30 questions not reported.