

The Economist/YouGov Poll



Sample 1500 US Adult citizens
Conducted August 30 - September 1, 2020
Margin of Error $\pm 3.5\%$

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

Generally headed in the right direction	24%
Off on the wrong track	65%
Not sure	10%

2. Are you optimistic or pessimistic about the future of the country?

Optimistic	40%
Pessimistic	40%
Not sure	21%

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

Better off now	41%
Better off four years ago	38%
Not sure	21%

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

Better off now	27%
Better off four years ago	56%
Not sure	17%

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

A lot	36%
Some	29%
Only a little	25%
None at all	10%

6. Did you vote in the Democratic or Republican presidential primary or caucus in your state in 2020?

Asked of registered voters

Democratic primary/caucus	44%
Republican primary/caucus	29%
Neither one	26%
Not sure	1%

7. 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	59%
Bernie Sanders	35%
Not sure	6%

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

Among registered voters

Extremely enthusiastic	46%
Very enthusiastic	17%
Somewhat enthusiastic	17%
Not too enthusiastic	12%
Not at all enthusiastic	9%

9. How important is voting for president this November?

Among registered voters

Very important	86%
Somewhat important	8%
Not very important	4%
Not important at all	2%

10. 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	51%
Donald Trump	40%
Other	2%
Not sure	4%
I would not vote	2%

11. 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	24%	23%	19%	31%	4%
Donald Trump	29%	11%	10%	47%	2%

12. 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	37%
I'm mostly voting AGAINST Donald Trump	61%
Not sure	2%

13. 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	81%
I'm mostly voting AGAINST Joe Biden	17%
Not sure	2%

14. How do you plan on voting in 2020?

Among registered voters

In person on election day	38%
In person before the election	20%
By mail	38%
I will not vote this year	4%

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

Among registered voters

Joe Biden	38%
Donald Trump	40%
Not sure	23%

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

Among registered voters

The Democratic Party	40%
The Republican Party	37%
Not sure	23%

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

Among registered voters

The Democratic Party	48%
The Republican Party	30%
Not sure	22%

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

Strongly approve	36%
Somewhat approve	21%
Somewhat disapprove	12%
Strongly disapprove	21%
Not sure	10%

19. Would you say Joe Biden is...

Very liberal	23%
Liberal	24%
Moderate	26%
Conservative	6%
Very conservative	2%
Not sure	19%

20. Would you say that Joe Biden holds extreme political views?

Yes	35%
No	43%
Not sure	22%

21. Has Joe Biden given you a clear idea of what policies he will enact if elected president?

Completely clear	19%
Somewhat clear	33%
Not very clear	16%
Not clear at all	21%
Not sure	10%

22. Do you think Joe Biden spends more time...

Explaining what he will do if elected president	43%
Attacking Donald Trump	38%
Not sure	19%

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

A lot	23%
Some	25%
Not much	18%
Doesn't care at all	26%
Not sure	8%

24. How much do you think Joe Biden cares about the needs and problems of...

	A lot	Some	Not much	Not at all
Women	23%	38%	23%	16%
Men	21%	42%	20%	16%
Black people	26%	35%	20%	19%
White people	22%	43%	18%	17%
Poor people	23%	33%	23%	22%
Working men and women	25%	34%	22%	19%
Wealthy people	27%	41%	21%	11%

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

Like a lot	20%
Like somewhat	18%
Neither like nor dislike	23%
Dislike somewhat	12%
Dislike a lot	20%
Not sure	7%

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

Very strong	16%
Somewhat strong	32%
Somewhat weak	22%
Very weak	30%

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

Honest and trustworthy	41%
Not honest and trustworthy	39%
Not sure	20%

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

Confident	41%
Uneasy	45%
Not sure	14%

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

Confident	40%
Uneasy	43%
Not sure	16%

30. Are you confident in Joe Biden’s ability to deal wisely with crime in the U.S., or are you uneasy about his approach?

Confident	39%
Uneasy	43%
Not sure	18%

31. 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	39%
Stay the same	12%
Not sure	15%

32. How often do you support or oppose Joe Biden’s proposed policies?

Always support Joe Biden’s policies	8%
Support Joe Biden’s policies most of the time, but oppose a few	23%
50/50 - Support or oppose Joe Biden’s policies about half of the time	14%
Oppose Joe Biden’s policies most of the time, but support a few	14%
Always oppose Joe Biden’s policies	22%
Not sure	20%

33. How would you feel if Joe Biden was elected President?

Enthusiastic	24%
Satisfied but not enthusiastic	24%
Dissatisfied but not upset	14%
Upset	29%
Not sure	9%

34. Would you say Donald Trump is...

Very liberal	4%
Liberal	3%
Moderate	15%
Conservative	31%
Very conservative	22%
Not sure	24%

35. Would you say that Donald Trump holds extreme political views?

Yes	52%
No	33%
Not sure	15%

36. Has President Trump given you a clear idea of what policies he will enact if re-elected president?

Completely clear	29%
Somewhat clear	21%
Not very clear	14%
Not clear at all	28%
Not sure	9%

37. Do you think Donald Trump spends more time...

Explaining what he will do if re-elected president	32%
Attacking Joe Biden	55%
Not sure	13%

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

A lot	25%
Some	14%
Not much	13%
Doesn't care at all	43%
Not sure	5%

39. How much do you think Donald Trump cares about the needs and problems of...

	A lot	Some	Not much	Not at all
Women	22%	22%	22%	34%
Men	37%	39%	12%	11%
Black people	22%	20%	17%	41%
White people	47%	35%	9%	8%
Poor people	22%	18%	17%	43%
Working men and women	27%	22%	24%	27%
Wealthy people	56%	28%	9%	7%

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

Like a lot	16%
Like somewhat	14%
Neither like nor dislike	15%
Dislike somewhat	9%
Dislike a lot	43%
Not sure	3%

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

Very strong	28%
Somewhat strong	21%
Somewhat weak	13%
Very weak	38%

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

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

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

Confident	38%
Uneasy	54%
Not sure	9%

44. 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	56%
Not sure	11%

45. Are you confident in Donald Trump’s ability to deal wisely with crime in the U.S., or are you uneasy about his approach?

Confident	37%
Uneasy	53%
Not sure	9%

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

Get better	38%
Get worse	41%
Stay the same	12%
Not sure	9%

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

Always support President Trump's policies	11%
Support President Trump's policies most of the time, but oppose a few	23%
50/50 - Support or oppose President Trump's policies about half of the time	11%
Oppose President Trump's policies most of the time, but support a few	21%
Always oppose President Trump's policies	27%
Not sure	8%

48. How would you feel if Donald Trump was re-elected President?

Enthusiastic	28%
Satisfied but not enthusiastic	14%
Dissatisfied but not upset	10%
Upset	41%
Not sure	7%

49. How much of the Republican National Convention did you watch last week?

I watched almost the entire convention	8%
I only watched some of the convention	15%
I only watched clips or highlights	19%
I only read or watched news stories analyzing the convention	11%
I didn't watch any of the convention	47%

50. Overall, how would you rate the Republican National Convention?

Asked of those who watched at least some of the convention or read about it

Excellent	27%
Good	22%
Fair	17%
Poor	27%
Not sure	6%

51. Do you think the speakers at the Republican National Convention:

Asked of those who watched at least some of the convention or read about it

Spent more time attacking Joe Biden	29%
Spent more time explaining what Donald Trump would do if re-elected president	32%
Spent about equal amounts of time doing both	26%
Not sure	13%

52. During the RNC, participants delivered speeches from several federal properties, including the White House, Fort McHenry, and the U.S. Embassy in Israel. Previous presidents have separated political activities from federal properties. Do you think delivering speeches from these federal properties this year was appropriate or inappropriate?

Appropriate	35%
Inappropriate	38%
Not sure	27%

53. The RNC held some events in-person. Do you think there will be an outbreak of COVID-19 resulting from these in-person events?

Definitely will	19%
Probably will	33%
Probably will not	20%
Definitely will not	10%
Not sure	18%

54. Have you watched any part of Republican National Conventions in past presidential elections?

Yes	38%
No	53%
Not sure	10%

55. Would you say this year's Republican National Convention was more or less interesting than previous conventions?

Asked of those who watched at least some of the convention or read about it and also have seen other conventions in the past

More interesting than previous conventions	37%
Just as interesting as previous conventions	32%
Less interesting than previous conventions	32%

56. How good of a job does the Republican Party do in looking out for the needs of ordinary Americans?

Excellent	17%
Fair	24%
Poor	14%
Terrible	32%
Not sure	12%

57. How much of the Democratic National Convention did you watch?

I watched almost the entire convention	9%
I only watched some of the convention	16%
I only watched clips or highlights	19%
I only read or watched news stories analyzing the convention	10%
I didn't watch any of the convention	46%

58. How good of a job does the Democratic Party do in looking out for the needs of ordinary Americans?

Excellent	15%
Fair	30%
Poor	17%
Terrible	24%
Not sure	15%

59. Some have said that the "American way of life" is under threat. Do you agree or disagree with that?

Strongly agree	38%
Somewhat agree	28%
Somewhat disagree	10%
Strongly disagree	11%
Not sure	14%

60. How diverse would you say your neighborhood is?

Very diverse	24%
Somewhat diverse	43%
Not very diverse	24%
Not diverse at all	10%

61. How serious a problem is crime in the United States?

Very serious	43%
Somewhat serious	38%
A minor problem	13%
Not a problem	2%
Not sure	3%

62. How serious a problem is crime in your local community?

Very serious	9%
Somewhat serious	28%
A minor problem	41%
Not a problem	17%
Not sure	5%

63. How concerned are you that you or one of your loved ones will be the victim of a crime?

Very concerned	14%
Somewhat concerned	35%
Not too concerned	40%
Not concerned at all	11%

64. How safe do you feel in your neighborhood?

Very safe	38%
Somewhat safe	51%
Not very safe	7%
Not safe at all	3%

65. How safe do you think you would feel if you lived in a large city, such as New York, Chicago, or Los Angeles?

Very safe	6%
Somewhat safe	27%
Not very safe	32%
Not safe at all	36%

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

Very closely	30%
Somewhat closely	46%
Not very closely	16%
Not following at all	7%

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

Yes, me	11%
Yes, a family member	21%
Yes, a close friend	19%
No	52%
Prefer not to say	2%

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

Yes, me	3%
Yes, a family member	15%
Yes, a close friend	21%
No	61%
Prefer not to say	3%

69. 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	12%
No	81%
Prefer not to say	3%

70. 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	20%
Somewhat worried	40%
Not too worried	26%
Not worried at all	14%

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

The pandemic is going to get worse	38%
We are currently in the worst part of the pandemic	18%
The worst part of the pandemic is behind us	23%
Not sure	21%

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

Increasing	28%
Not changing	25%
Decreasing	29%
Not sure	18%

73. How many Americans, in total, do you think will have died this year due to complications from COVID-19?

Fewer than 100,000 Americans	16%
100,000-150,000 Americans	15%
150,000-200,000 Americans	27%
200,000-250,000 Americans	18%
250,000-1 million Americans	17%
More than 1 million Americans	6%

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

It is safe right now	14%
In about two weeks	4%
In a month or so	6%
In several months	24%
In about a year or longer	31%
Not sure	20%

75. 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%

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

Yes	42%
No	27%
Not sure	31%

77. Once we have a vaccine, do you think the government should require Americans to get vaccinated?

Yes	32%
No	46%
Not sure	22%

78. 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	1%
By the end of 2020	25%
By the summer of 2021	32%
By the end of 2021	15%
2022 or later	7%
Not sure	19%

79. Vaccine randomization order

Safe and effective first	52%
Fast-track first	48%

80. Do you think vaccine manufacturers should or should not be required to prove to the U.S. Food and Drug and Administration, the FDA, that their vaccines are safe for human use?

Should be required to prove to the FDA that their vaccines are safe	85%
Should not be required to prove to the FDA that their vaccines are safe	7%
Not sure	8%

81. Do you think vaccine manufacturers should or should not be required to prove to the U.S. Food and Drug and Administration, the FDA, that their vaccines are effective at preventing the transmission of infectious diseases?

Should be required to prove to the FDA that their vaccines are effective	84%
Should not be required to prove to the FDA that their vaccines are effective	8%
Not sure	8%

82. Do you think the FDA should or should not speed up, or fast-track, the process for approving a coronavirus vaccine?

FDA should fast-track coronavirus vaccine approval process	43%
FDA should not fast-track coronavirus vaccine approval process	37%
Not sure	20%

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

Very concerned	39%
Somewhat concerned	38%
Not very concerned	11%
Not concerned at all	5%
Not sure	6%

84. Which of the following comes closer to your view?

We should wait until a vaccine has been thoroughly tested for safety and effectiveness before releasing it to the public	85%
We should release a vaccine as soon as government medical officials think it is safe, but before it is tested for effectiveness	15%

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

Strongly approve	20%
Somewhat approve	18%
Somewhat disapprove	13%
Strongly disapprove	42%
Not sure	6%

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

Excellent	9%
Good	20%
Fair	22%
Poor	43%
Not sure	5%

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

Excellent	11%
Good	29%
Fair	28%
Poor	27%
Not sure	5%

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

Excellent	12%
Good	30%
Fair	31%
Poor	20%
Not sure	7%

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

Strongly support	50%
Somewhat support	17%
Somewhat oppose	10%
Strongly oppose	17%
Not sure	5%

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

Good	33%
Bad	67%

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

A big problem	46%
Somewhat of a problem	31%
A small problem	17%
Not a problem	7%

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

Better	38%
Stay about the same	44%
Worse	18%

93. Do you think blacks and other minorities receive equal treatment as whites in the criminal justice system, or not?

Receive equal treatment	29%
Do not receive equal treatment	55%
Don't know	15%

94. Do you think blacks and whites receive equal treatment from the police?

Yes	26%
No	60%
Not sure	14%

95. Do you think police brutality in the United States is:

A very serious problem	42%
A somewhat serious problem	27%
Not a very serious problem	22%
Not a problem at all	5%
Not sure	4%

96. How much have you heard in the news recently about the shooting of Jacob Blake by police in Kenosha, Wisconsin?

A lot	46%
A little	41%
Nothing at all	13%

97. Have you watched the video taken by a bystander of a police officer shooting Jacob Blake?

Yes	48%
No	44%
Not sure	8%

98. In response to the shooting of Jacob Blake by police, there have been protests in and around Kenosha, Wisconsin. Do you approve or disapprove of these protests?

Strongly approve	24%
Somewhat approve	21%
Somewhat disapprove	13%
Strongly disapprove	30%
Not sure	13%

99. Do you believe the protesters are...?

Mostly peaceful	41%
Mostly violent	40%
Not sure	18%

100. In response to the shooting of Jacob Blake, many professional sports teams, including the Milwaukee Bucks of the NBA, have refused to play regularly scheduled games. Additionally, many professional sports leagues, including the MLB, NBA, WNBA, NHL, and MLS, decided to postpone sports games. Do you approve or disapprove of postponing professional sports games in protest against police brutality?

Strongly approve	33%
Somewhat approve	14%
Somewhat disapprove	11%
Strongly disapprove	27%
Not sure	16%

101. How would you describe your summer?

Best summer ever	2%
A good summer	14%
Average	38%
A bad summer	30%
Worst summer ever	16%

102. Do you usually take a summer vacation?

Yes	45%
No	55%

103. In the past 12 months, have you taken a vacation?

Yes	37%
No	63%

104. When do you think summer ends?

Labor Day	26%
When the school year begins again	20%
September 21	39%
Other	6%
Not sure	9%

105. What do you, personally, plan to do on the Labor Day weekend and holiday? Select all that apply.

Stay home/relax	39%
Family/family get-together	15%
Cookout/barbecue/picnic	18%
Work	8%
Travel	4%
Camping/hiking	5%
Fishing	5%
Visit gravesites	3%
Local event/parade	2%
Home improvements/repairs	9%
Household chores	17%
Yard work/landscaping	12%
Graduation parties	0%
Birthday party	2%
Church/religious observances	5%
Beach	4%
Golf	1%
Watch sports	8%
Watch TV (not sports)	22%
Nothing/No plans	22%
Air travel	1%
Something else	3%
Not sure	8%
None of these	9%

106. How important are the following issues to you?

	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not very Important	Unimportant
Jobs and the economy	68%	25%	4%	3%
Immigration	44%	38%	14%	4%
Climate change and the environment	44%	27%	16%	13%
National Security and foreign policy	48%	39%	11%	2%
Education	58%	31%	8%	3%
Health care	70%	23%	5%	3%
Taxes and government spending	56%	33%	8%	3%
Civil rights and civil liberties	54%	33%	10%	3%
Gun control	47%	27%	15%	11%
Crime and criminal justice reform	53%	36%	8%	3%

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

Jobs and the economy	22%
Immigration	6%
Climate change and the environment	10%
National Security and foreign policy	6%
Education	6%
Health care	24%
Taxes and government spending	7%
Civil rights and civil liberties	10%
Gun control	4%
Crime and criminal justice reform	5%

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
Donald Trump	27%	14%	10%	45%	4%
Joe Biden	22%	24%	14%	33%	7%
Mike Pence	22%	16%	13%	34%	15%
Kamala Harris	22%	20%	10%	32%	15%
Nancy Pelosi	15%	19%	12%	40%	14%
Mitch McConnell	6%	18%	15%	37%	24%

109. 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	18%	23%	16%	34%	9%
The Republican Party	19%	19%	17%	36%	9%

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

Strongly approve	24%
Somewhat approve	18%
Somewhat disapprove	12%
Strongly disapprove	42%
Not sure	4%

111. 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%	19%	11%	33%	8%
Immigration	26%	18%	9%	41%	7%
Climate change and the environment	19%	17%	9%	41%	14%
Terrorism	26%	17%	11%	36%	10%
Education	20%	19%	12%	37%	12%
Health care	18%	20%	12%	39%	11%
Taxes and government spending	20%	19%	13%	38%	10%
Civil rights and civil liberties	22%	15%	10%	42%	10%
Gun control	23%	16%	10%	39%	13%
Crime and criminal justice reform	22%	18%	11%	38%	11%

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

Appropriate	27%
Inappropriate	61%
Not sure	13%

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

Strongly approve	23%
Somewhat approve	17%
Somewhat disapprove	13%
Strongly disapprove	29%
Not sure	18%

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

Strongly approve	3%
Somewhat approve	12%
Neither approve nor disapprove	18%
Somewhat disapprove	24%
Strongly disapprove	29%
Not sure	14%

115. 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	15%
Somewhat approve	20%
Somewhat disapprove	11%
Strongly disapprove	38%
Not sure	15%

116. 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	18%
Somewhat disapprove	17%
Strongly disapprove	35%
Not sure	24%

117. 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	8%
About the same	18%
Somewhat less than usual	17%
A lot less than usual	34%
Not sure	20%

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

Asked if respondent says Congress accomplished less than usual

Democrats in Congress	34%
Republicans in Congress	32%
Both equally	30%
Neither	3%
Not sure	1%

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

Strongly approve	7%
Somewhat approve	36%
Somewhat disapprove	20%
Strongly disapprove	10%
Not sure	27%

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

Very liberal	3%
Liberal	9%
Moderate	34%
Conservative	20%
Very conservative	7%
Not sure	28%

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

Getting better	21%
About the same	22%
Getting worse	47%
Not sure	10%

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

Higher	30%
About the same	22%
Lower	19%
Not sure	29%

123. 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	40%
No	60%

124. 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	45%
Worse off financially than you were a year ago	28%
Not sure	7%

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

More jobs	32%
The same amount of jobs	22%
Fewer jobs	27%
Not sure	20%

126. How worried are you about losing your job?

Very worried	15%
Somewhat worried	27%
Not very worried	59%

127. 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.	27%
Somewhat hard – It might take a while before I found a job that paid as much.	39%
Not very hard	22%
Not sure	13%

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

Very happy	24%
Happy	36%
Neither happy nor unhappy	29%
Unhappy	9%
Very unhappy	3%

129. 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	26%
Some of the time	38%
Only now and then	22%
Hardly at all	12%
Don’t know	1%

130. Which cable news network do you watch the most?

CNN	15%
Fox News	20%
MSNBC	11%
Other cable news network	4%
I don’t watch any cable news	50%

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

Liberal	25%
Moderate	33%
Conservative	30%
Not sure	12%

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

Very liberal	9%
Liberal	16%
Moderate	33%
Conservative	19%
Very conservative	10%
Not sure	12%

133. Are you registered to vote?

Registered	71%
Not registered	29%

134. 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	51%
The Republican Party candidate	38%
Other	0%
Not sure	8%
I would not vote	3%

135. 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	28%
No, I did not vote in either the Republican or Democratic Presidential primary or caucus	28%
I don't remember	8%

136. 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	61%
Martin O'Malley	1%
Bernie Sanders	35%
Someone else	3%

137. 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	65%
Someone else	35%

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

Asked of registered voters

Yes	64%
No	36%

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

Hillary Clinton	30%
Donald Trump	28%
Gary Johnson	1%
Jill Stein	1%
Evan McMullin	0%
Other	1%
Did not vote for President	39%

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

Democrat	33%
Republican	26%
Independent	29%
Other	3%
Not sure	9%

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

Strong Democrat	20%
Not very strong Democrat	13%
Lean Democrat	9%
Independent	19%
Lean Republican	8%
Not very strong Republican	11%
Strong Republican	16%
Not sure	5%

142. Are you... ?

Male	48%
Female	52%

143. Respondent age by category

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

144. What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

White	68%
Black	12%
Hispanic	11%
Other	9%

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

HS or less	37%
Some college	33%
College grad	19%
Postgrad	11%

146. What is your marital status?

Married	44%
Separated	3%
Divorced	11%
Widowed	5%
Never married	32%
Domestic / civil partnership	6%

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

Yes	24%
No	76%

148. Calculated from respondent's state of residence

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

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

A large city	21%
A suburb near a large city	35%
A small city or town	28%
A rural area	16%

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

Excellent	15%
Very good	31%
Good	39%
Only fair	11%
Poor	4%

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

Full-time employed	33%
Part-time employed	9%
Self-employed	4%
Unemployed or temporarily on layoff	13%
Retired	25%
Permanently disabled	9%
Homemaker	5%
Other	1%

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

Under \$50K	44%
\$50-100K	29%
\$100K or more	15%
Prefer not to say	12%

153. 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	1%
Military Household - Family	7%
Military Household - I served previously	10%
Military Household - Family served previously	40%
Military Household - None	49%

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

Yes, I am	8%
Yes, household member is	7%
No	86%

155. How important is religion in your life?

Very important	37%
Somewhat important	24%
Not too important	16%
Not at all important	23%

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

More than once a week	7%
Once a week	16%
Once or twice a month	7%
A few times a year	14%
Seldom	21%
Never	33%
Don't know	2%

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

Yes	30%
No	70%

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

Several times a day	24%
Once a day	13%
A few times a week	13%
Once a week	3%
A few times a month	7%
Seldom	12%
Never	24%
Don't know	4%

159. What is your present religion, if any?

Protestant	30%
Roman Catholic	17%
Mormon	2%
Eastern or Greek Orthodox	1%
Jewish	2%
Muslim	2%
Buddhist	1%
Hindu	1%
Atheist	7%
Agnostic	6%
Nothing in particular	25%
Something else	7%

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Sponsorship	<i>The Economist</i>
Fieldwork	YouGov
Interviewing Dates	August 30 - September 1, 2020
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 2016 American Community Study. Voter registration was imputed from the November 2016 Current Population Survey Registration and Voting Supplement.
Weighting	The sample was weighted based on gender, age, race, education, and 2016 Presidential vote (or non-vote). The weights range from 0.202 to 6.563, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.94.
Number of respondents	1500 1209 (Registered voters)
Margin of error	± 3.5% (adjusted for weighting) ± 3.6% (Registered voters)
Survey mode	Web-based interviews
Questions not reported	30 questions not reported.