

# The Economist/YouGov Poll

January 2 - 4, 2022 - 1500 U.S. Adult citizens



Sample 1500 U.S. Adult citizens  
Conducted January 2 - 4, 2022  
Margin of Error ±2.6%

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

Generally headed in the right direction	26%
Off on the wrong track	61%
Not sure	13%

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

Excellent	4%
Good	20%
Fair	31%
Poor	37%
Don't know	6%

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

Unemployment	11%
Inflation	43%
Both equal	39%
Not sure	7%

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

Very closely	32%
Somewhat closely	41%
Not very closely	18%
Not following at all	8%

## 5. Do you personally know anyone who has tested positive for COVID-19

Yes, me	14%
Yes, a family member	50%
Yes, a close friend	42%
No	22%
Prefer not to say	2%

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

Yes, a family member	15%
Yes, a close friend	21%
No	64%
Prefer not to say	3%

7. 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	36%
Not too worried	28%
Not worried at all	18%

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

Always	39%
Most of the time	22%
Some of the time	20%
Never	19%

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

Increasing	63%
Not changing	14%
Decreasing	9%
Not sure	14%

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

Increasing	51%
Not changing	18%
Decreasing	11%
Not sure	20%

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

The pandemic is going to get worse	31%
We are currently in the worst part of the pandemic	18%
The worst part of the pandemic is behind us	29%
Not sure	22%

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

A lot	56%
A little	37%
Nothing at all	7%

13. 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	19%
Somewhat worried	36%
Not too worried	26%
Not worried at all	20%

**14. Which statement describes you best?**

- I have received at least ONE shot of ANY manufacturer's COVID-19 vaccine ..... 69%
- I have NOT received ANY shots of ANY manufacturer's COVID-19 vaccine ..... 31%

**15. Which statement describes you best?**

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

- I have received only ONE shot ..... 8%
- I have received only TWO shots ..... 41%
- I have received at least THREE shots ..... 51%

**16. Which vaccine did you get for your FIRST shot?**

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

- Pfizer-BioNtech ..... 48%
- Moderna ..... 39%
- Oxford-AstraZeneca ..... 2%
- Johnson & Johnson ..... 8%
- Don't remember ..... 2%

**17. 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%

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

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

- Pfizer-BioNtech ..... 50%
- Moderna ..... 46%
- Oxford-AstraZeneca ..... 1%
- Johnson & Johnson ..... 2%
- Don't remember ..... 2%

**19. 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 ..... 4%
- No, I have had only three shots ..... 96%

**20. 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 ..... 61%
- I might get a shot of one of the COVID-19 vaccines in the future ..... 23%
- I definitely will get a shot of one of the COVID-19 vaccines in the future ..... 7%
- Prefer not to say ..... 10%

21. Vaccination Status (Recoded)

I have received all the injections required to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19	67%
I have started the vaccination process, but need another shot	2%
I plan to get vaccinated	2%
I will not get vaccinated	19%
I'm not sure about getting vaccinated	10%

22. Instead of getting an injection, how likely are you to take a COVID-19 vaccine in the form of:

*Among those who do not plan on getting vaccinated*

	Very likely	Somewhat likely	Not very likely	Not likely at all	Not sure
Nasal spray	2%	5%	8%	74%	11%
Pill	3%	4%	7%	75%	11%

23. 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	28%
No	8%
Not sure	10%
I have already received a booster	53%

24. Are you currently eligible to receive a booster shot?

*Asked of those willing to get a booster*

Yes, I am eligible	27%
No, I am not eligible	5%
I'm not sure	10%
Already gotten a booster	58%

25. Should the COVID-19 booster be made available to Americans of any age who are eligible based on when they had their last vaccine shot?

Yes	63%
No	15%
Not sure	22%

26. How safe, or unsafe, do you think the Pfizer-BioNtech vaccine is?

Very safe	37%
Somewhat safe	20%
Somewhat unsafe	9%
Very unsafe	11%
Don't know	22%

27. How safe, or unsafe, do you think the Oxford-AstraZeneca vaccine is?

Very safe	15%
Somewhat safe	18%
Somewhat unsafe	10%
Very unsafe	12%
Don't know	45%

28. How safe, or unsafe, do you think the Moderna vaccine is?

Very safe	36%
Somewhat safe	21%
Somewhat unsafe	8%
Very unsafe	12%
Don't know	23%

29. How safe, or unsafe, do you think the Johnson & Johnson vaccine is?

Very safe	17%
Somewhat safe	24%
Somewhat unsafe	16%
Very unsafe	17%
Don't know	26%

30. Do you think people should be asked for proof of vaccination in order to...

	Yes	No	Not sure
Work at an in-person job	48%	42%	10%
Attend in-person classes	47%	44%	9%
Eat out at a restaurant	40%	49%	10%
Attend an in-person religious service	39%	49%	12%
Go to a movie or theater	45%	45%	9%
Go to the gym	47%	44%	9%
Attend a sporting event	48%	43%	9%

31. In the past month, have you ever been asked for proof of vaccination in order to...

	Yes	No	Not sure	I don't do this
Work at an in-person job	13%	51%	3%	33%
Attend in-person classes	6%	45%	3%	46%
Eat out at a restaurant	10%	72%	2%	16%
Attend an in-person religious service	5%	54%	3%	39%
Go to a movie or theater	7%	54%	2%	36%
Go to the gym	6%	47%	2%	45%
Attend a sporting event	6%	47%	2%	44%

32. Do you think people should be asked for proof of a booster shot in order to...

	Yes	No	Not sure
Work at an in-person job	29%	55%	16%
Attend in-person classes	29%	55%	16%
Eat out at a restaurant	25%	59%	16%
Attend an in-person religious service	25%	58%	16%
Go to a movie or theater	25%	59%	16%
Go to the gym	28%	56%	16%
Attend a sporting event	28%	56%	16%

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

Strongly support	37%
Somewhat support	19%
Somewhat oppose	12%
Strongly oppose	25%
Not sure	7%

34. Do you believe state and local governments should be allowed to mandate masks for their citizens?

Yes	52%
No	37%
Not sure	12%

35. Do you believe healthcare professionals should be allowed to mandate masks for their patients?

Yes	64%
No	25%
Not sure	12%

36. Do you believe employers should be allowed to mandate masks for their employees?

Yes	59%
No	30%
Not sure	11%

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

Yes	60%
No	31%
Not sure	9%

38. Do you believe airlines should be allowed to mandate masks for their passengers?

Yes	65%
No	27%
Not sure	8%

<b>39. Do you believe K-12 schools should be allowed to mandate masks for their students?</b>	
Yes .....	57%
No .....	33%
Not sure .....	10%
<b>40. Do you believe colleges and universities should be allowed to mandate masks for their students?</b>	
Yes .....	59%
No .....	32%
Not sure .....	8%
<b>41. Which one are you most concerned about?</b>	
Protecting Americans from the health effects of the coronavirus outbreak .....	59%
Protecting Americans from the economic effects of the coronavirus outbreak .....	41%
<b>42. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling COVID-19?</b>	
Strongly approve .....	18%
Somewhat approve .....	24%
Somewhat disapprove .....	10%
Strongly disapprove .....	37%
Not sure .....	11%
<b>43. In your opinion, when do you think the COVID-19 pandemic will finally end?</b>	
The pandemic has already ended .....	10%
In the first half of 2022 .....	8%
In the second half of 2022 .....	16%
After 2022 .....	37%
Never .....	30%
<b>44. Do you support or oppose the ability of Americans to protest against what they see as unjust political practices?</b>	
Strongly support .....	50%
Somewhat support .....	23%
Somewhat oppose .....	6%
Strongly oppose .....	6%
Not sure .....	15%
<b>45. Do you approve or disapprove of Trump supporters protesting the certification of Joe Biden winning the Electoral College on January 6, 2021?</b>	
Strongly approve .....	22%
Somewhat approve .....	15%
Somewhat disapprove .....	13%
Strongly disapprove .....	38%
Not sure .....	12%

46. Do you approve or disapprove of the Trump supporters taking over the Capitol building in Washington, D.C., on January 6, 2021 to stop Congressional proceedings?

Strongly approve .....	7%
Somewhat approve .....	8%
Somewhat disapprove .....	13%
Strongly disapprove .....	60%
Not sure .....	13%

47. Did President Trump urge his supporters to engage in violence on January 6, 2021?

Yes .....	43%
No .....	39%
Not sure .....	18%

48. How much responsibility does President Trump have for the takeover of the Capitol on January 6, 2021?

A lot .....	39%
Some .....	12%
A little .....	11%
None .....	28%
Not sure .....	11%

49. Do you think the groups listed below were involved in the takeover of the Capitol building on January 6, 2021?

	Yes	No	Not sure
Trump supporters	68%	17%	15%
Trump opponents	31%	47%	22%
Some members of Congress	52%	19%	29%
Antifa	34%	34%	32%
The FBI	24%	47%	29%
Black Lives Matter	27%	49%	23%

50. Do you think the events of January 6, 2021, have made the United States more respected or less respected in the world?

More respected .....	4%
No change .....	40%
Less respected .....	55%

51. Would you consider January 6, 2021...?

A great day for America .....	4%
A good day for America .....	7%
A bad day for America .....	31%
A tragic day for America .....	40%
Not sure .....	18%



52. Do you think the events of January 6, 2021, have made the country more united or more divided?

More united .....	6%
More divided .....	61%
No change .....	21%
Not sure .....	12%

53. How do you feel about the takeover of the Capitol building? (check all that apply)

Surprised .....	27%
Disappointed .....	60%
Angry .....	42%
Depressed .....	21%
Afraid .....	22%
Excited .....	4%
Ashamed .....	45%
Proud .....	5%
Happy .....	4%
Liberated .....	3%
Emboldened .....	4%
Confused .....	21%

54. Do you remember where you were when you first heard about the Capitol attack on January 6, 2021?

Yes .....	61%
No .....	26%
Not sure .....	12%

55. On January 6, 2021, did you watch live news coverage of the Capitol attack?

Yes, a lot .....	31%
Yes, a little .....	34%
No .....	30%
Not sure .....	5%

56. How likely do you think it is that there will be a peaceful transition of power after the 2024 presidential election?

Very likely .....	26%
Somewhat likely .....	25%
Not very likely .....	15%
Not likely at all .....	8%
Not sure .....	26%

57. Should America keep its current system for electing the President, where the candidate who wins the most votes in the Electoral College wins the election, or should it eliminate the Electoral College so that the candidate who wins the most votes nationwide wins the election?

The president should be determined by Electoral College votes .....	31%
The president should be determined by the most votes nationwide .....	52%
Don't know .....	17%

58. Do you think the Congressional investigation of the January 6th events is a serious attempt to find out what really happened or a politically-motivated attempt to embarrass Donald Trump?

A serious attempt to find out what really happened .....	35%
A politically-motivated attempt to embarrass Donald Trump .....	32%
Equally motivated by both of these .....	18%
Not sure .....	16%

59. Do you think the U.S. House Select Committee to investigate the January 6th attack on the United States Capitol is biased against Democrats, biased against Republicans, or not biased against either political party?

Biased against Democrats .....	7%
Biased against Republicans .....	34%
Not biased against either political party .....	34%
Not sure .....	25%

60. Should Congress refer President Trump for prosecution for obstructing Congress by trying to stop the certification of electoral votes in the 2020 Election?

Yes, he should be referred for prosecution .....	41%
No, he should not be referred for prosecution .....	39%
Not sure .....	20%

61. Do you think people should be allowed to carry guns at public protests?

Yes, they should be allowed .....	23%
No, they should not be allowed .....	60%
Not sure .....	17%

62. A man who used a wooden plank and a fire extinguisher to attack police who were defending the U.S. Capitol on Jan. 6 was recently sentenced to five years in prison. In your opinion, was this sentence...

Too short .....	31%
About right .....	35%
Too long .....	15%
Not sure .....	19%

63. Looking back at 2021, how would you describe the year for the world?

A very good year .....	3%
A good year .....	11%
A bad year .....	49%
A very bad year .....	37%

64. Looking back at 2021, how would you describe the year for you and your family?

A very good year	4%
A good year	40%
A bad year	41%
A very bad year	15%

65. Compared to 2020, has the United States become more respected or less respected in the world?

More respected in 2021	14%
No change	32%
Less respected in 2021	54%

66. Compared to 2020, do you think things were better off or worse off in 2021 when it came to:

	Much better in 2021	Somewhat better in 2021	No change	Somewhat worse in 2021	Much worse in 2021	Not sure
The Middle East	2%	8%	26%	19%	24%	21%
The war in Afghanistan	7%	13%	15%	14%	31%	19%
Energy issues	3%	10%	29%	18%	23%	17%
The environment	2%	11%	38%	18%	16%	14%
The economy in your area	4%	15%	24%	24%	21%	12%
Job security	5%	15%	25%	18%	23%	14%
Government spending	4%	11%	21%	14%	35%	16%
Health care coverage	3%	13%	37%	16%	16%	15%
Education	2%	12%	26%	20%	25%	14%
Social Security and Medicare	3%	10%	39%	15%	15%	18%
The U.S. financial system	3%	12%	21%	20%	29%	14%
Wall Street	6%	15%	29%	13%	13%	24%
The national economy	6%	15%	14%	20%	32%	13%

67. Compared to 2020, did you find politics more or less interesting in 2021?

More interesting in 2021	14%
About the same	50%
Less interesting in 2021	24%
Not sure	12%

68. Compared to 2020, did you think political discussion became more negative or less negative in 2021?

More negative in 2021	45%
About the same	31%
Less negative in 2021	11%
Not sure	12%

69. As a President, how do you think George W. Bush will go down in history?

Outstanding	3%
Above Average	12%
Average	37%
Below Average	21%
Poor	12%
Not Sure	14%

70. As a President, how do you think Barack Obama will go down in history?

Outstanding	17%
Above Average	26%
Average	22%
Below Average	12%
Poor	15%
Not Sure	9%

71. As a President, how do you think Donald Trump will go down in history?

Outstanding	14%
Above Average	17%
Average	11%
Below Average	10%
Poor	40%
Not Sure	9%

72. What's your feeling about the year ahead? Generally speaking, are you optimistic or pessimistic about what kind of year 2022 will be for the world?

Very optimistic	9%
Somewhat optimistic	28%
Neither optimistic, nor pessimistic	31%
Somewhat pessimistic	20%
Very pessimistic	12%

73. How do you feel about your family's future in 2022?

Very optimistic	12%
Somewhat optimistic	32%
Neither optimistic nor pessimistic	34%
Somewhat pessimistic	15%
Very pessimistic	6%

74. In 2022, will the United States become more respected or less respected in the world?

More respected in 2022	22%
No change	45%
Less respected in 2022	33%

75. In 2022, do you think things will be better off or worse off than they were in 2021 when it comes to:

	Much better in 2022	Somewhat better in 2022	No change	Somewhat worse in 2022	Much worse in 2022	Not sure
The Middle East	3%	8%	31%	17%	19%	22%
The war in Afghanistan	7%	11%	30%	11%	17%	24%
Energy issues	4%	17%	26%	15%	20%	18%
The environment	5%	15%	37%	16%	12%	16%
The economy in your area	5%	21%	28%	17%	15%	16%
Job security	6%	21%	29%	13%	14%	17%
Government spending	4%	14%	21%	15%	29%	17%
Health care coverage	5%	17%	32%	15%	14%	17%
Education	4%	17%	29%	16%	17%	17%
Social Security and Medicare	5%	15%	33%	14%	13%	19%
The U.S. financial system	4%	16%	22%	17%	23%	18%
Wall Street	5%	16%	27%	15%	12%	24%
The national economy	6%	20%	17%	18%	23%	17%

76. Compared to 2021, do you think politics will be more or less interesting in 2022?

More interesting in 2022	22%
About the same	50%
Less interesting in 2022	14%
Not sure	14%

77. Compared to 2021, do you think political discussion will become more negative or less negative in 2022?

More negative in 2022	39%
About the same	37%
Less negative in 2022	9%
Not sure	15%

78. Compared to 2021, do you think the U.S. will be more or less safe from terrorist attacks in 2022?

Much more safe in 2022	3%
Somewhat more safe in 2022	9%
About the same	40%
Somewhat less safe in 2022	14%
Much less safe in 2022	19%
Not sure	15%

**79. Compared to 2021, do you think your community will be more or less safe from terrorist in 2022?**

Much more safe in 2022 .....	5%
Somewhat more safe in 2022 .....	8%
About the same .....	54%
Somewhat less safe in 2022 .....	10%
Much less safe in 2022 .....	9%
Not sure .....	13%

**80. What do you think are the chances of a major terrorist attack against the United States in 2022?**

Very likely .....	14%
Somewhat likely .....	30%
Not very likely .....	25%
Very unlikely .....	8%
Not sure .....	24%

**81. As a President, how do you think Joe Biden will go down in history?**

Outstanding .....	5%
Above Average .....	14%
Average .....	24%
Below Average .....	11%
Poor .....	35%
Not Sure .....	11%

**82. In 2022, do you think the new Congress will accomplish more or less than Congress usually does?**

More than usual .....	10%
About the same .....	41%
Less than usual .....	27%
Not sure .....	22%

**83. Have you ever thought about leaving the U.S. and moving permanently to a foreign country?**

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

**84. Is there anything that could happen that would make you leave the U.S. and move permanently to a foreign country?**

Yes .....	34%
No .....	38%
Not sure .....	28%

85. How likely do you think it is that you will leave the U.S. in the next [five/ten] years and move permanently to a foreign country?

Very likely .....	4%
Somewhat likely .....	11%
A small chance .....	42%
Would not consider leaving .....	44%

86. How important are the following issues to you?

	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not very Important	Unimportant
Jobs and the economy	60%	32%	6%	2%
Immigration	41%	36%	17%	5%
Climate change and the environment	43%	27%	16%	14%
Foreign policy	34%	42%	17%	6%
National Security	59%	31%	7%	3%
Education	56%	30%	9%	4%
Health care	64%	28%	5%	2%
Taxes and government spending	54%	36%	8%	2%
Abortion	39%	29%	19%	13%
Civil rights	56%	30%	10%	4%
Civil liberties	53%	33%	10%	4%
Guns	47%	29%	15%	9%
Crime	55%	35%	7%	2%
Criminal justice reform	46%	36%	13%	5%

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

Jobs and the economy .....	14%
Immigration .....	8%
Climate change and the environment .....	16%
Foreign policy .....	1%
National Security .....	8%
Education .....	5%
Health care .....	17%
Taxes and government spending .....	9%
Abortion .....	5%
Civil rights .....	7%
Civil liberties .....	3%
Guns .....	4%
Crime .....	3%
Criminal justice reform .....	2%

88. 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	20%	23%	10%	40%	7%
Kamala Harris	16%	22%	11%	40%	12%
Nancy Pelosi	14%	18%	12%	42%	14%
Kevin McCarthy	7%	14%	13%	31%	35%
Mitch McConnell	4%	13%	20%	42%	22%
Chuck Schumer	9%	19%	11%	33%	27%
Donald Trump	22%	17%	9%	45%	7%
Barack Obama	33%	19%	14%	28%	7%
Harry Reid	12%	13%	10%	21%	44%

89. 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	13%	24%	13%	38%	12%
The Republican Party	11%	21%	18%	38%	12%

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

More than usual	11%
About the same	32%
Less than usual	36%
Not sure	21%

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

Democrats in Congress	45%
Republicans in Congress	17%
Both equally	33%
Neither	3%
Not sure	2%

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

Strongly approve	15%
Somewhat approve	25%
Somewhat disapprove	12%
Strongly disapprove	38%
Not sure	11%



93. 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	16%	22%	12%	36%	14%
Climate change and the environment	12%	24%	14%	29%	21%
National Security	15%	21%	12%	34%	19%
Taxes and government spending	12%	21%	12%	38%	17%

94. Would you say Joe Biden is...

Very liberal	27%
Liberal	20%
Moderate	28%
Conservative	5%
Very conservative	2%
Not sure	18%

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

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

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

Like a lot	21%
Like somewhat	16%
Neither like nor dislike	22%
Dislike somewhat	9%
Dislike a lot	24%
Not sure	8%

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

Very strong	11%
Somewhat strong	29%
Somewhat weak	19%
Very weak	41%

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

Honest and trustworthy	38%
Not honest and trustworthy	44%
Not sure	18%

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

Confident .....	34%
Uneasy .....	50%
Not sure .....	15%

100. Do you think Joe Biden...

Says what he believes .....	36%
Says what he thinks people want to hear .....	46%
Not sure .....	19%

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

Yes .....	14%
No .....	60%
Not sure .....	26%

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

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

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

Strongly approve .....	4%
Somewhat approve .....	10%
Neither approve nor disapprove .....	17%
Somewhat disapprove .....	22%
Strongly disapprove .....	35%
Not sure .....	12%

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

Strongly approve .....	14%
Somewhat approve .....	18%
Somewhat disapprove .....	11%
Strongly disapprove .....	40%
Not sure .....	17%

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

Strongly approve	8%
Somewhat approve	19%
Somewhat disapprove	13%
Strongly disapprove	34%
Not sure	26%

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

Strongly approve	3%
Somewhat approve	14%
Somewhat disapprove	19%
Strongly disapprove	41%
Not sure	23%

107. 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	5%
Somewhat approve	17%
Somewhat disapprove	14%
Strongly disapprove	31%
Not sure	33%

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

Strongly approve	9%
Somewhat approve	25%
Somewhat disapprove	23%
Strongly disapprove	19%
Not sure	24%

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

Very liberal	3%
Liberal	7%
Moderate	30%
Conservative	20%
Very conservative	15%
Not sure	25%

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

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Not sure
Brett Kavanaugh	11%	19%	10%	24%	36%
Neil Gorsuch	7%	20%	11%	13%	49%
Elena Kagan	13%	14%	10%	10%	53%
Sonia Sotomayor	19%	15%	10%	13%	41%
Samuel Alito	9%	17%	9%	12%	53%
John Roberts	6%	23%	16%	10%	44%
Stephen Breyer	7%	18%	11%	7%	57%
Amy Coney Barrett	11%	17%	12%	21%	40%
Clarence Thomas	17%	15%	10%	20%	38%

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

Getting better	18%
About the same	25%
Getting worse	48%
Not sure	9%

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

Higher	22%
About the same	25%
Lower	24%
Not sure	30%

113. 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	43%
No	57%

114. Would you say that you and your family are...

Better off financially than you were a year ago	18%
About the same financially as you were a year ago	43%
Worse off financially than you were a year ago	31%
Not sure	8%

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

More jobs	26%
The same amount of jobs	35%
Fewer jobs	17%
Not sure	22%

<b>116. How worried are you about losing your job?</b>	
Very worried .....	8%
Somewhat worried .....	30%
Not very worried .....	62%
<b>117. If you lost your job, how hard would it be for you to find a new job that paid as much as you are making now?</b>	
Very hard – I would probably have to take a pay cut. ....	26%
Somewhat hard – It might take a while before I found a job that paid as much. ....	32%
Not very hard .....	29%
Not sure .....	12%
<b>118. How happy would you say you are with your current job?</b>	
Very happy .....	23%
Happy .....	39%
Neither happy nor unhappy .....	28%
Unhappy .....	7%
Very unhappy .....	3%
<b>119. In general, how would you describe your own political viewpoint?</b>	
Very liberal .....	10%
Liberal .....	15%
Moderate .....	33%
Conservative .....	18%
Very conservative .....	12%
Not sure .....	12%
<b>120. Are you registered to vote?</b>	
Registered .....	79%
Not registered .....	21%
<b>121. Who did you vote for in the election for President in 2020?</b>	
Joe Biden .....	35%
Donald Trump .....	32%
Other .....	1%
Did not vote for President .....	33%
<b>122. If an election for U.S. Congress were being held today, who would you vote for in the district where you live?</b>	
The Democratic Party candidate .....	42%
The Republican Party candidate .....	38%
Other .....	3%
Not sure .....	13%
I would not vote .....	4%

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

Democrat .....	32%
Republican .....	25%
Independent .....	31%
Other .....	3%
Not sure .....	9%

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

Strong Democrat .....	20%
Not very strong Democrat .....	12%
Lean Democrat .....	8%
Independent .....	20%
Lean Republican .....	9%
Not very strong Republican .....	9%
Strong Republican .....	16%
Not sure .....	6%

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

*Asked of Independents and Republicans*

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

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

*Asked of Independents and Democrats*

Yes .....	18%
No .....	68%
Not sure .....	14%

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

Much more to the left .....	31%
Slightly more left .....	13%
About the same .....	20%
Slightly more right .....	8%
Much more to the right .....	6%
Don't know .....	22%

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

Much more to the left .....	4%
Slightly more left .....	7%
About the same .....	18%
Slightly more right .....	14%
Much more to the right .....	32%
Don't know .....	23%

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

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

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

Biden legitimately won the election .....	62%
Biden did NOT legitimately win the election .....	38%

131. Are you...?

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

132. Respondent age by category

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

133. What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

White .....	67%
Black .....	13%
Hispanic .....	13%
Other .....	7%

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

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

135. What is your marital status?

Married .....	43%
Separated .....	2%
Divorced .....	11%
Widowed .....	5%
Never married .....	33%
Domestic / civil partnership .....	5%

<b>136. Calculated from respondent's state of residence</b>	
Northeast .....	17%
Midwest .....	22%
South .....	38%
West .....	23%
<b>137. How would you describe the place where you live?</b>	
Urban .....	31%
Suburb .....	35%
Rural/Other .....	34%
<b>138. Are you the parent or guardian of any children under the age of 18?</b>	
Yes .....	24%
No .....	76%
<b>139. Which of the following best describes your current employment status?</b>	
Full-time .....	35%
Part-time .....	8%
Temporarily laid off .....	0%
Unemployed .....	10%
Retired .....	22%
Permanently disabled .....	8%
Homemaker .....	6%
Student .....	10%
Other .....	1%
<b>140. Thinking back over the last year, what was your family's annual income?</b>	
Under \$50K .....	44%
\$50-100K .....	25%
\$100K or more .....	19%
Prefer not to say .....	11%
<b>141. How important is religion in your life?</b>	
Very important .....	32%
Somewhat important .....	27%
Not too important .....	18%
Not at all important .....	23%



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

More than once a week .....	6%
Once a week .....	15%
Once or twice a month .....	8%
A few times a year .....	10%
Seldom .....	21%
Never .....	37%
Don't know .....	3%

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

Yes .....	27%
No .....	73%

**144. 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 .....	12%
A few times a week .....	11%
Once a week .....	3%
A few times a month .....	7%
Seldom .....	15%
Never .....	22%
Don't know .....	4%

**145. What is your present religion, if any?**

Protestant .....	27%
Roman Catholic .....	18%
Mormon .....	2%
Eastern or Greek Orthodox .....	1%
Jewish .....	3%
Muslim .....	1%
Buddhist .....	1%
Hindu .....	0%
Atheist .....	7%
Agnostic .....	5%
Nothing in particular .....	26%
Something else .....	9%

**The Economist/YouGov Poll**  
January 2 - 4, 2022 - 1500 U.S. Adult citizens



<b>Sponsorship</b>	<i>The Economist</i>
<b>Fieldwork</b>	YouGov
<b>Interviewing Dates</b>	January 2 - 4, 2022
<b>Target population</b>	US Adult Population
<b>Sampling method</b>	Respondents were selected from YouGov's opt-in Internet panel using sample matching. A random sample (stratified by gender, age, race, education, and region) was selected from the 2018 American Community Study. Voter registration was imputed from the November 2018 Current Population Survey Registration and Voting Supplement.
<b>Weighting</b>	The sample was weighted based on gender, age, race, education, and both 2016 and 2020 Presidential votes (or non-votes). The weights range from 0.579 to 3.407, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.281.
<b>Number of respondents</b>	1500 1201 (Registered voters)
<b>Margin of error</b>	± 2.6% (adjusted for weighting) ± 2.9% (Registered voters)
<b>Survey mode</b>	Web-based interviews
<b>Questions not reported</b>	41 questions not reported.