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BASE: ASK ALL

**OPTIMIST [S]**

Please think about what things will be like in 2050, about 30 years from now.

Thinking about the future of the United States, would you say you are...

- 1 Very optimistic
- 2 Somewhat optimistic
- 3 Somewhat pessimistic
- 4 Very pessimistic

Please think about what things will be like in 2050, about 30 years from now.

Thinking about the future of the United States, would you say you are...

☐ Very optimistic

☐ Somewhat optimistic

☐ Somewhat pessimistic

☐ Very pessimistic

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*Randomize and record response order. Always anchor option 2 in the middle*

**AVGFAM [S]**

Over the next 30 years, do you think that the average American family will see its standard of living... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 3, WITH OPTION 2 ALWAYS IN THE MIDDLE]**

- 1 Get better
- 2 Stay about the same **[anchor]**
- 3 Get worse

Over the next 30 years, do you think that the average American family will see its standard of living...

☐ Get worse

☐ Stay about the same

☐ Get better

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<sup>1</sup> Open-end responses are excluded from public datasets to protect the confidentiality of ATP panelists

BASE: ASK ALL

Randomize and record item order a-j

Show on three screens

**HAPPEN [S]**

Still thinking ahead 30 years, which do you think is more likely to happen in the U.S.?

**[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; OBSERVE FORM SPLITS, SPLIT OVER THREE SCREENS]**

*[Please select one item from each pair]*

- a.      1 The U.S. economy will be STRONGER  
          2 The U.S. economy will be WEAKER
- b.      1 Health care will be MORE affordable  
          2 Health care will be LESS affordable
- c.      1 Race relations will IMPROVE  
          2 Race relations will GET WORSE
- d.      1 The U.S. will be MORE important in the world  
          2 The U.S. will be LESS important in the world
- e.      1 The gap between the rich and the poor will GROW  
          2 The gap between the rich and the poor will GET SMALLER
- f.      1 The public education system will IMPROVE  
          2 The public education system will GET WORSE
- g.      1 Religion will become LESS important  
          2 Religion will be ABOUT AS important as it is now

**[if xform=1, show h.F1]**

- h.F1    1 People 65 and older will have a BETTER standard of living  
          2 People 65 and older will have a WORSE standard of living

**[if xform=2, show i.F2]**

- i.F2    1 Children will have a BETTER standard of living  
          2 Children will have a WORSE standard of living
- j.      1 The country will be MORE politically divided  
          2 The country will be LESS politically divided

Still thinking ahead 30 years, which do you think is more likely to happen in the U.S.?

*[Please select one item from each pair]*

- ☐ The U.S. economy will be STRONGER
- ☐ The U.S. economy will be WEAKER
- ☐ The public education system will IMPROVE
- ☐ The public education system will GET WORSE
- ☐ Race relations will IMPROVE
- ☐ Race relations will GET WORSE

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**Still thinking ahead 30 years, which do you think is more likely to happen in the U.S.?**

*[Please select one item from each pair]*

☐ The gap between the rich and the poor will GROW

☐ The gap between the rich and the poor will GET SMALLER

☐ The country will be MORE politically divided

☐ The country will be LESS politically divided

☐ The U.S. will be MORE important in the world

☐ The U.S. will be LESS important in the world

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*[Please select one item from each pair]*

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☐ Children will have a WORSE standard of living

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☐ Health care will be LESS affordable

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☐ The U.S. will be LESS important in the world

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**Still thinking ahead 30 years, which do you think is more likely to happen in the U.S.?**

*[Please select one item from each pair]*

☐ Religion will become LESS important

☐ Religion will be ABOUT AS important as it is now

☐ The U.S. economy will be STRONGER

☐ The U.S. economy will be WEAKER

☐ The gap between the rich and the poor will GROW

☐ The gap between the rich and the poor will GET SMALLER

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**Still thinking ahead 30 years, which do you think is more likely to happen in the U.S.?**

*[Please select one item from each pair]*

☐ The country will be MORE politically divided

☐ The country will be LESS politically divided

☐ The public education system will IMPROVE

☐ The public education system will GET WORSE

☐ Race relations will IMPROVE

☐ Race relations will GET WORSE

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BASE: ASK ALL

Randomize and record order of items a-h

Split across two screens

**HAPPEN2 [S]**

How likely do you think it is that each of the following will happen in the next 30 years?

**[RANDOMIZE ITEMS, SPLIT OVER TWO SCREENS]**

a. There will be a terrorist attack on the U.S. as bad as or worse than 9/11

- 1 Will definitely happen
- 2 Will probably happen
- 3 Will probably not happen
- 4 Will definitely not happen

- b. The world will face a major energy crisis
  - 1 Will definitely happen
  - 2 Will probably happen
  - 3 Will probably not happen
  - 4 Will definitely not happen
- c. There will be a cure for Alzheimer's disease
  - 1 Will definitely happen
  - 2 Will probably happen
  - 3 Will probably not happen
  - 4 Will definitely not happen
- d. China will overtake the U.S. as the world's main superpower
  - 1 Will definitely happen
  - 2 Will probably happen
  - 3 Will probably not happen
  - 4 Will definitely not happen
- e. A woman will be elected U.S. president
  - 1 Will definitely happen
  - 2 Will probably happen
  - 3 Will probably not happen
  - 4 Will definitely not happen
- f. A Hispanic person will be elected U.S. president
  - 1 Will definitely happen
  - 2 Will probably happen
  - 3 Will probably not happen
  - 4 Will definitely not happen
- g. Most Americans will work into their 70s to have enough resources to retire
  - 1 Will definitely happen
  - 2 Will probably happen
  - 3 Will probably not happen
  - 4 Will definitely not happen
- h. There will be increasing violence against Jews in the U.S.
  - 1 Will definitely happen
  - 2 Will probably happen
  - 3 Will probably not happen
  - 4 Will definitely not happen

The image displays two screenshots of a survey interface. Each screen shows a list of future events with four radio button options: 'Will definitely happen', 'Will probably happen', 'Will probably not happen', and 'Will definitely not happen'. The events include: a Hispanic person being elected U.S. president, increasing violence against Jews in the U.S., a major energy crisis, a terrorist attack on the U.S. as bad as or worse than 9/11, most Americans working into their 70s to retire, China overtaking the U.S. as the world's main superpower, a woman being elected U.S. president, and a cure for Alzheimer's disease. The interface includes 'Previous' and 'Next' buttons at the bottom of each screen.

BASE: ASK ALL  
*Randomize response order as 1-4 or 4-1 and record order shown*

**NATDEBT [S]**

Which do you think is most likely to occur over the next 30 years? **[REVERSE RESPONSE OPTIONS FOR HALF OF SAMPLE]**

The national debt will...

- 1 Grow larger
- 2 Stay about the same
- 3 Be reduced
- 4 Be eliminated

Which do you think is most likely to occur over the next 30 years?

The national debt will...

☐ Be eliminated

☐ Be reduced

☐ Stay about the same

☐ Grow larger

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BASE: ASK ALL

*Randomize and record response order. Always show option 3 last*

**ENVC [S]**

By the year 2050, do you think the overall condition of the environment will be... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, WITH OPTION 3 ALWAYS LAST]**

- 1 Better than it is now
- 2 Worse than it is now
- 3 About the same as it is now **[anchor]**

By the year 2050, do you think the overall condition of the environment will be...

☐ Better than it is now

☐ Worse than it is now

☐ About the same as it is now

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BASE: ASK ALL

**POPPOB [S]**

In 2050, do you think population growth in the U.S. will be a...

- 1 Major problem
- 2 Minor problem
- 3 Not a problem

In 2050, do you think population growth in the U.S. will be a...

☐ Major problem

☐ Minor problem

☐ Not a problem

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BASE: ASK ALL

*Randomize and record order of items a-f*

*Show across two screens*

**FTRWORRY [S]**

Still thinking about the future of our country, how worried are you, if at all, about each of the following? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS, SPLIT OVER TWO SCREENS]**

- a. The overall soundness of our economic system
  - 1 Very worried
  - 2 Fairly worried
  - 3 Not too worried
  - 4 Not at all worried
- b. The ability of public schools to provide a quality education
  - 1 Very worried
  - 2 Fairly worried
  - 3 Not too worried
  - 4 Not at all worried
- c. The way the government in Washington works
  - 1 Very worried
  - 2 Fairly worried
  - 3 Not too worried
  - 4 Not at all worried
- d. The ability of political leaders to solve the country's biggest problems
  - 1 Very worried
  - 2 Fairly worried
  - 3 Not too worried
  - 4 Not at all worried
- e. The moral values of Americans
  - 1 Very worried
  - 2 Fairly worried
  - 3 Not too worried
  - 4 Not at all worried
- f. Climate change
  - 1 Very worried
  - 2 Fairly worried
  - 3 Not too worried
  - 4 Not at all worried

Still thinking about the future of our country, how worried are you, if at all, about each of the following?

**The ability of political leaders to solve the country's biggest problems**

☐ Very worried

☐ Fairly worried

☐ Not too worried

☐ Not at all worried

**The moral values of Americans**

☐ Very worried

☐ Fairly worried

☐ Not too worried

☐ Not at all worried

**Climate change**

☐ Very worried

☐ Fairly worried

☐ Not too worried

☐ Not at all worried

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**The moral values of Americans**

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☐ Fairly worried

☐ Not too worried

☐ Not at all worried

**The ability of political leaders to solve the country's biggest problems**

☐ Very worried

☐ Fairly worried

☐ Not too worried

☐ Not at all worried

**Climate change**

☐ Very worried

☐ Fairly worried

☐ Not too worried

☐ Not at all worried

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BASE: ASK ALL

*Randomize response order and record*

*Show ELDCARE, ELDFINANCEF1 and ELDFINANCEF2 on the same screen*

#### **ELDCARE [S]**

Thinking ahead 30 years from now, which do you think is more likely to happen?

Adults ages 65 and older will be... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]**

- 1 BETTER prepared financially for retirement than older adults are today
- 2 LESS prepared financially for retirement than older adults today

Thinking ahead 30 years from now, which do you think is more likely to happen?

Adults ages 65 and older will be...

☐ BETTER prepared financially for retirement than older adults are today

☐ LESS prepared financially for retirement than older adults today

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BASE: XFORM=1

*Randomize response order and record*

*Show ELDCARE, ELDFINANCEF1 and ELDFINANCEF2 on the same screen*

#### **ELDFINANCEF1 [S]**

Who do you think will be mostly responsible for paying for the long-term care older Americans may need? **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]**

- 1 Family members
- 2 Government
- 3 Older Americans themselves



Who do you think will be mostly responsible for paying for the long-term care older Americans may need?

☐ Older Americans themselves  
☐ Government  
☐ Family members

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BASE: XFORM=2

Randomize response order and record

Show ELDCAR, ELDFINANCEF1 and ELDFINANCEF2 on the same screen

**ELDFINANCEF2 [S]**

Who do you think should be mostly responsible for paying for the long-term care older Americans may need? **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]**

- 1 Family members
- 2 Government
- 3 Older Americans themselves

Who do you think should be mostly responsible for paying for the long-term care older Americans may need?

☐ Government  
☐ Older Americans themselves  
☐ Family members

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BASE: ASK ALL

Randomize items a-o.F2 and record order

Show across 3 screens

**GOVPRIO [S]**

If you were deciding what the federal government should do to improve the quality of life for future generations, what priority would you give to each of the following? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; OBSERVE FORM SPLITS, SPLIT OVER THREE SCREENS]**

- a. Reducing the national debt
  - 1 A top priority
  - 2 An important, but not a top priority
  - 3 A lower priority
  - 4 Should not be done
- b. Increasing spending for education
  - 1 A top priority
  - 2 An important, but not a top priority
  - 3 A lower priority
  - 4 Should not be done

- c. Providing high-quality, affordable health care to all Americans
- 1 A top priority
  - 2 An important, but not a top priority
  - 3 A lower priority
  - 4 Should not be done
- d. Increasing spending on scientific research
- 1 A top priority
  - 2 An important, but not a top priority
  - 3 A lower priority
  - 4 Should not be done
- e. Reducing the gap between the rich and the poor
- 1 A top priority
  - 2 An important, but not a top priority
  - 3 A lower priority
  - 4 Should not be done
- f.F1 **[xform=1]** Reducing military spending
- 1 A top priority
  - 2 An important, but not a top priority
  - 3 A lower priority
  - 4 Should not be done
- g.F1 **[xform=1]** Reducing the number of undocumented immigrants coming into the U.S.
- 1 A top priority
  - 2 An important, but not a top priority
  - 3 A lower priority
  - 4 Should not be done
- h.F1 **[xform=1]** Reducing spending on Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid
- 1 A top priority
  - 2 An important, but not a top priority
  - 3 A lower priority
  - 4 Should not be done
- i.F1 **[xform=1]** Increasing spending for roads, bridges and other infrastructure
- 1 A top priority
  - 2 An important, but not a top priority
  - 3 A lower priority
  - 4 Should not be done
- j.F1 **[xform=1]** Avoiding tax increases
- 1 A top priority
  - 2 An important, but not a top priority
  - 3 A lower priority
  - 4 Should not be done
- k.F2 **[xform=2]** Increasing military spending
- 1 A top priority
  - 2 An important, but not a top priority
  - 3 A lower priority
  - 4 Should not be done

I.F2 **[xform=2]** Allowing more immigrants into the U.S. who come here legally

- 1 A top priority
- 2 An important, but not a top priority
- 3 A lower priority
- 4 Should not be done

m.F2 **[xform=2]** Increasing spending on Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid

- 1 A top priority
- 2 An important, but not a top priority
- 3 A lower priority
- 4 Should not be done

n.F2 **[xform=2]** Reducing spending for roads, bridges and other infrastructure

- 1 A top priority
- 2 An important, but not a top priority
- 3 A lower priority
- 4 Should not be done

o.F2 **[xform=2]** Dealing with climate change

- 1 A top priority
- 2 An important, but not a top priority
- 3 A lower priority
- 4 Should not be done

If you were deciding what the federal government should do to improve the quality of life for future generations, what priority would you give to each of the following?

**Reducing spending on Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid**

☐ A top priority

☐ An important, but not a top priority

☐ A lower priority

☐ Should not be done

**Increasing spending for roads, bridges and other infrastructure**

☐ A top priority

☐ An important, but not a top priority

☐ A lower priority

☐ Should not be done

**Reducing military spending**

☐ A top priority

☐ An important, but not a top priority

☐ A lower priority

☐ Should not be done

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If you were deciding what the federal government should do to improve the quality of life for future generations, what priority would you give to each of the following?

**Reducing the gap between the rich and the poor**

- ☐ A top priority
- ☐ An important, but not a top priority
- ☐ A lower priority
- ☐ Should not be done

**Increasing spending on scientific research**

- ☐ A top priority
- ☐ An important, but not a top priority
- ☐ A lower priority
- ☐ Should not be done

**Increasing spending for education**

- ☐ A top priority
- ☐ An important, but not a top priority
- ☐ A lower priority
- ☐ Should not be done

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If you were deciding what the federal government should do to improve the quality of life for future generations, what priority would you give to each of the following?

**Providing high-quality, affordable health care to all Americans**

- ☐ A top priority
- ☐ An important, but not a top priority
- ☐ A lower priority
- ☐ Should not be done

**Reducing the national debt**

- ☐ A top priority
- ☐ An important, but not a top priority
- ☐ A lower priority
- ☐ Should not be done

**Reducing the number of undocumented immigrants coming into the U.S.**

- ☐ A top priority
- ☐ An important, but not a top priority
- ☐ A lower priority
- ☐ Should not be done

**Avoiding tax increases**

- ☐ A top priority
- ☐ An important, but not a top priority
- ☐ A lower priority
- ☐ Should not be done

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The image shows three screenshots of a mobile application interface for a survey. Each screen displays a question about federal government priorities and four radio button options. The questions are:

- Screen 1:** "If you were deciding what the federal government should do to improve the quality of life for future generations, what priority would you give to each of the following?"
  - Increasing spending for education
  - Allowing more immigrants into the U.S. who come here legally
  - Reducing the national debt
- Screen 2:** "If you were deciding what the federal government should do to improve the quality of life for future generations, what priority would you give to each of the following?"
  - Reducing the gap between the rich and the poor
  - Dealing with climate change
  - Increasing military spending
  - Increasing spending on Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid
- Screen 3:** "If you were deciding what the federal government should do to improve the quality of life for future generations, what priority would you give to each of the following?"
  - Increasing spending on scientific research
  - Reducing spending for roads, bridges and other infrastructure
  - Providing high-quality, affordable health care to all Americans

Each screen has a "Previous" and "Next" button at the bottom.

BASE: ASK ALL

*Randomize and record response options*

**GNATPROB [S]**

Over the next 30 years, which of the following worries you more about the federal government?

**[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]**

- 1 That the government will do too little to solve problems facing the country
- 2 That the government will be too involved in problems that should be left to businesses and individuals

The screenshot shows the survey question interface with two radio button options:

- ☐ That the government will do too little to solve problems facing the country
- ☐ That the government will be too involved in problems that should be left to businesses and individuals

At the bottom, there are "Previous" and "Next" buttons.

BASE: XFORM=1

*Randomize and record response options*

**WRKTRN1F1 [S]**

Over the next 30 years, who should be MOST responsible for making sure American workers have the right skills and training to get a good job? **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]**

- 1 Government
- 2 Employers
- 3 The education system
- 4 Individuals themselves

Over the next 30 years, who should be MOST responsible for making sure American workers have the right skills and training to get a good job?

☐ Government

☐ Employers

☐ Individuals themselves

☐ The education system

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BASE: XFORM=2

*Randomize and record response options*

**WRKTRN1F2 [S]**

Over the next 30 years, who should be MOST responsible for making sure young adults have the right skills and training to get a good job? **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]**

- 1 Government
- 2 Employers
- 3 The education system
- 4 Individuals themselves

Over the next 30 years, who should be MOST responsible for making sure young adults have the right skills and training to get a good job?

☐ Government

☐ The education system

☐ Individuals themselves

☐ Employers

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BASE: WRKTRN1F1=1-4 (ASK IF R PROVIDED AN ANSWER TO WRKTRN1F1)

*Only show responses not selected in WKTRN1F1*

*Show in same order as WKTRN1F1*

**WRKTRN2F1 [S]**

And of these, who should be the SECOND-MOST responsible for making sure American workers have the right skills and training to get a good job? **[LIST WITH R'S ANSWER TO WRKTRN1F1 OMITTED; RANDOMIZE REMAINING RESPONSE OPTIONS IN SAME ORDER AS WRKTRN1F1]**

- 1 Government
- 2 Employers
- 3 The education system
- 4 Individuals themselves

And of these, who should be the SECOND-MOST responsible for making sure American workers have the right skills and training to get a good job?

☐ The education system

☐ Employers

☐ Government

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BASE: WRKTRN1F2=1-4 (ASK IF R PROVIDED AN ANSWER TO WRKTRN1F2)

*Only show responses not selected in WRKTRN1F2*

*Show in same order as WRKTRN1F2*

**WRKTRN2F2 [S]**

And of these, who should be the SECOND-MOST responsible for making sure young adults have the right skills and training to get a good job? **[LIST WITH R'S ANSWER TO WRKTRN1F2 OMITTED; RANDOMIZE REMAINING RESPONSE OPTIONS IN SAME ORDER AS WRKTRN1F2]**

- 1 Government
- 2 Employers
- 3 The education system
- 4 Individuals themselves

And of these, who should be the SECOND-MOST responsible for making sure young adults have the right skills and training to get a good job?

☐ Government

☐ Individuals themselves

☐ Employers

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BASE: ASK ALL

*Randomize and record response options. Always anchor 3 last. Use same order for JOBBENEFITS.*

*Show on same screen as JOBBENEFITS*

**JOBBSECURITY [S]**

By the year 2050, will the average working person in this country have... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, WITH OPTION 3 ALWAYS LAST]**

- 1 More job security
- 2 Less job security
- 3 About the same **[anchor]**

BASE: ASK ALL

Show responses in same order as JOBSECURITY

Show on same screen as JOBSECURITY

### **JOB BENEFITS [S]**

And will the average working person in this country have employee benefits, such as health insurance, paid vacations and retirement plans that are... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, WITH OPTION 3 ALWAYS LAST]**

- 1 Better than they are now
- 2 Not as good as they are now
- 3 About the same as they are now **[anchor]**

By the year 2050, will the average working person in this country have...

☐ More job security

☐ Less job security

☐ About the same

And will the average working person in this country have employee benefits, such as health insurance, paid vacations and retirement plans that are...

☐ Better than they are now

☐ Not as good as they are now

☐ About the same as they are now

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BASE: ASK ALL

Randomize and record response options. Always anchor 3 last.

### **AUTOWKPLC [S]**

Overall, has the automation of jobs through new technology in the workplace... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, WITH OPTION 3 ALWAYS LAST]**

- 1 Mostly helped American workers
- 2 Mostly hurt American workers
- 3 Neither helped nor hurt **[anchor]**

Overall, has the automation of jobs through new technology in the workplace...

☐ Mostly hurt American workers

☐ Mostly helped American workers

☐ Neither helped nor hurt

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## BASE: ASK ALL

**ROBWRK [S]**

Overall, how likely do you think it is that 30 years from now robots and computers will do much of the work currently done by humans? Do you think this will...

- 1 Definitely happen
- 2 Probably happen
- 3 Probably not happen
- 4 Definitely not happen

Overall, how likely do you think it is that 30 years from now robots and computers will do much of the work currently done by humans? Do you think this will...

☐ Definitely happen

☐ Probably happen

☐ Probably not happen

☐ Definitely not happen

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BASE: ROBWRK=1-2 (ASK IF ROBOTS/COMPUTERS WILL DEFINITELY/PROBABLY DO MUCH OF HUMAN WORK)

*Randomize order of responses in either 1-4 or 4-1. Record order shown*

**ROBWRK2 [S]**

If robots and computers do much of the work currently done by humans, do you think this would be... **[REVERSE RESPONSE OPTIONS FOR HALF OF SAMPLE]**

- 1 A very good thing for the country
- 2 A somewhat good thing for the country
- 3 A somewhat bad thing for the country
- 4 A very bad thing for the country

If robots and computers do much of the work currently done by humans, do you think this would be...

☐ A very good thing for the country

☐ A somewhat good thing for the country

☐ A somewhat bad thing for the country

☐ A very bad thing for the country

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## BASE: ASK IF EMPLOYED

**AUTOLKLY[S]**

Within the next 30 years, how likely do you think it is that the type of work that you do will be done by robots or computers? Do you think this will...

- 1 Definitely happen
- 2 Probably happen
- 3 Probably not happen
- 4 Definitely not happen

Within the next 30 years, how likely do you think it is that the type of work that you do will be done by robots or computers? Do you think this will...

☐ Definitely happen  
☐ Probably happen  
☐ Probably not happen  
☐ Definitely not happen

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## BASE: ASK ALL

*Randomize and record items a-b*

**ROBIMPACT [S]**

If robots and computers perform most of the jobs currently being done by humans, do you think it is likely or not that... **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

- a. Inequality between the rich and the poor would increase
  - 1 Yes, likely
  - 2 No, not likely
- b. The economy would create many new, better-paying jobs for humans
  - 1 Yes, likely
  - 2 No, not likely

If robots and computers perform most of the jobs currently being done by humans, do you think it is likely or not that...

**The economy would create many new, better-paying jobs for humans**

☐ Yes, likely  
☐ No, not likely

**Inequality between the rich and the poor would increase**

☐ Yes, likely  
☐ No, not likely

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BASE: ASK ALL

*Randomize and record response order. Always anchor 2 in the middle*

**LEGALIMG [S]**

In order to maintain the strength of the U.S. economy over the next 30 years, do you think that LEGAL immigration will need to be... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 3, WITH OPTION 2 ALWAYS IN THE MIDDLE]**

- 1 Increased
- 2 Maintained at current levels **[anchor]**
- 3 Decreased

BASE: ASK ALL

*Randomize and record order of items a and c. Always show item b in the middle  
Randomize response options 1 and 2. Always show 3 last. Keep order for all items and  
show the same order in the question stem (similar to the HARASS3 questions)*

**FUTRCLASS [S]**

Over the next 30 years, do you think the share of Americans who are in each of the following groups will **[SHOW IN SAME ORDER AS RESPONSE LIST: increase, decrease]**, or stay about the same? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS A AND C, WITH ITEM B ALWAYS IN THE MIDDLE; RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, WITH OPTION 3 ALWAYS LAST, KEEP ORDER THE SAME FOR EACH RESPONDENT FOR ALL ITEMS]**

- a. Upper Class
  - 1 Increase
  - 2 Decrease
  - 3 Stay about the same **[anchor]**
- b. Middle Class **[anchor]**
  - 1 Increase
  - 2 Decrease
  - 3 Stay about the same **[anchor]**
- c. Lower Class
  - 1 Increase
  - 2 Decrease
  - 3 Stay about the same **[anchor]**

Over the next 30 years, do you think the share of Americans who are in each of the following groups will decrease, increase, or stay about the same?

**Upper Class**

☐ Decrease

☐ Increase

☐ Stay about the same

**Middle Class**

☐ Decrease

☐ Increase

☐ Stay about the same

**Lower Class**

☐ Decrease

☐ Increase

☐ Stay about the same

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Over the next 30 years, do you think the share of Americans who are in each of the following groups will increase, decrease, or stay about the same?

**Lower Class**

☐ Increase

☐ Decrease

☐ Stay about the same

**Middle Class**

☐ Increase

☐ Decrease

☐ Stay about the same

**Upper Class**

☐ Increase

☐ Decrease

☐ Stay about the same

BASE: XFORM=1

Randomize and record items a-d

**HARASS1F1 [S]**

On a different subject...

When it comes to sexual harassment and sexual assault in the workplace today, how much of a problem, if at all, would you say each of the following is? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

- a. Women claiming they have experienced sexual harassment or assault when it hasn't actually occurred
  - 1 Major problem
  - 2 Minor problem
  - 3 Not a problem
- b. Employers firing men who have been accused of sexual harassment or assault before finding out all the facts
  - 1 Major problem
  - 2 Minor problem
  - 3 Not a problem
- c. Men getting away with committing sexual harassment or assault
  - 1 Major problem
  - 2 Minor problem
  - 3 Not a problem
- d. Women not being believed when they claim that they have experienced sexual harassment or assault
  - 1 Major problem
  - 2 Minor problem
  - 3 Not a problem

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☐ Minor problem

☐ Not a problem

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☐ Major problem

☐ Minor problem

☐ Not a problem

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☐ Minor problem

☐ Not a problem

**Women not being believed when they claim that they have experienced sexual harassment or assault**

☐ Major problem

☐ Minor problem

☐ Not a problem

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BASE: XFORM=2

Randomize and record itemsa-d

**HARASS1NOWRKF2 [S]**

On a different subject...

When it comes to sexual harassment and sexual assault today, how much of a problem, if at all, would you say each of the following is? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

- a. Women claiming they have experienced sexual harassment or assault when it hasn't actually occurred
- 1 Major problem
  - 2 Minor problem
  - 3 Not a problem

**NO ITEM b**

- c. Men getting away with committing sexual harassment or assault
- 1 Major problem
  - 2 Minor problem
  - 3 Not a problem
- d. Women not being believed when they claim that they have experienced sexual harassment or assault
- 1 Major problem
  - 2 Minor problem
  - 3 Not a problem

On a different subject...

When it comes to sexual harassment and sexual assault today, how much of a problem, if at all, would you say each of the following is?

**Men getting away with committing sexual harassment or assault**

- ☐ Major problem
- ☐ Minor problem
- ☐ Not a problem

**Women not being believed when they claim that they have experienced sexual harassment or assault**

- ☐ Major problem
- ☐ Minor problem
- ☐ Not a problem

**Women claiming they have experienced sexual harassment or assault when it hasn't actually occurred**

- ☐ Major problem
- ☐ Minor problem
- ☐ Not a problem

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☐ Minor problem

☐ Not a problem

Men getting away with committing sexual harassment or assault

☐ Major problem

☐ Minor problem

☐ Not a problem

Women not being believed when they claim that they have experienced sexual harassment or assault

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BASE: XFORM=1

*Randomize and record response order. Show question stem in same order as responses*

#### HARASS3F1 [S]

Do you think the increased focus on sexual harassment and assault has made it **[SHOW IN SAME ORDER AS RESPONSE LIST: easier or harder]** for men to know how to interact with women in the workplace, or hasn't it made much difference?

**[SHOW RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2 IN SAME ORDER AS STEM, WITH OPTION 3 ALWAYS LAST]**

- 1 Has made it easier for men
- 2 Has made it harder for men
- 3 Hasn't made much difference **[anchor]**

Do you think the increased focus on sexual harassment and assault has made it harder or easier for men to know how to interact with women in the workplace, or hasn't it made much difference?

☐ Has made it harder for men

☐ Has made it easier for men

☐ Hasn't made much difference

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BASE: XFORM=2

*Randomize and record response order. Show question stem in same order as responses*

**HARASS3NOWRKF2 [S]**

Do you think the increased focus on sexual harassment and assault has made it **[SHOW IN SAME ORDER AS RESPONSE LIST: easier or harder]** for men to know how to interact with women, or hasn't it made much difference?

**[SHOW RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2 IN SAME ORDER AS STEM, WITH OPTION 3 ALWAYS LAST]**

- 1 Has made it easier for men
- 2 Has made it harder for men
- 3 Hasn't made much difference **[anchor]**

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☐ Has made it harder for men

☐ Has made it easier for men

☐ Hasn't made much difference

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BASE: ASK ALL

**HARASS4 [S]**

Now thinking about your own experiences...

Have you ever personally received unwanted sexual advances or verbal or physical harassment of a sexual nature? This can be in any circumstance, whether or not work-related.

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

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☐ Yes

☐ No

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ASK IF HAS RECEIVED UNWANTED SEXUAL ADVANCES (HARASS4=1):

**HARASS5 [S]**

Have you received unwanted sexual advances or verbal or physical harassment of a sexual nature...

- 1 In a professional or work setting
- 2 Outside of a professional or work setting
- 3 Both



Have you received unwanted sexual advances or verbal or physical harassment of a sexual nature...

☐ In a professional or work setting

☐ Outside of a professional or work setting

☐ Both

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BASE: ASK ALL

*Randomize and show responses in order 1-4,5 or 4-1,5. Anchor 5 last. Record order shown*

**ETHNCMAJMOD [S]**

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, by the year 2050, a majority of the population will be made up of blacks, Asians, Hispanics, and other racial minorities.

In terms of its impact on the country, do you think this will be... **[REVERSE RESPONSE OPTIONS 4-1 FOR HALF OF SAMPLE WITH 5 ALWAYS LAST]**

- 1 A very good thing
- 2 A somewhat good thing
- 3 A somewhat bad thing
- 4 A very bad thing
- 5 Neither a good nor bad thing **[anchor]**

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BASE: ASK ALL

*Randomize and record response order. Always show 3 last*

**ETHNCMAJ3 [S]**

Do you think this change in the U.S. population will lead to... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, WITH OPTION 3 ALWAYS LAST]**

- 1 More conflicts between racial and ethnic groups
- 2 Fewer conflicts between racial and ethnic groups
- 3 Not much of an impact **[anchor]**

Do you think this change in the U.S. population will lead to...

☐ Fewer conflicts between racial and ethnic groups

☐ More conflicts between racial and ethnic groups

☐ Not much of an impact

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BASE: ASK ALL

*Randomize and record response order. Always show 3 last*

**ETHNCMAJ4 [S]**

Do you think this change in the U.S. population will... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, WITH OPTION 3 ALWAYS LAST]**

- 1 Strengthen American customs and values
- 2 Weaken American customs and values
- 3 Not much of an impact **[anchor]**

Do you think this change in the U.S. population will...

☐ Weaken American customs and values

☐ Strengthen American customs and values

☐ Not much of an impact

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BASE: ASK ALL

*Show in same order as ETHNCMAJMOD*

**AGEMAJ [S]**

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, by the year 2050, the number of people in the population who are 65 or older will outnumber people younger than 18. In terms of its impact on the country, do you think this will be... **[REVERSE RESPONSE OPTIONS 4-1 FOR HALF OF SAMPLE WITH 5 ALWAYS LAST, KEEP ORDER THE SAME AS ETHNCMAJMOD FOR EACH RESPONDENT]**

- 1 A very good thing
- 2 A somewhat good thing
- 3 A somewhat bad thing
- 4 A very bad thing
- 5 Neither a good nor bad thing **[anchor]**

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☐ A very bad thing  
☐ A somewhat bad thing  
☐ A somewhat good thing  
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BASE: ASK ALL

Show in same order as ETHNCMAJMOD

**INTRMAR [S]**

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, more people of different races are marrying each other these days than in the past. In terms of its impact on the country, do you think this is...

**[REVERSE RESPONSE OPTIONS 4-1 FOR HALF OF SAMPLE WITH 5 ALWAYS LAST, KEEP ORDER THE SAME AS ETHNCMAJMOD FOR EACH RESPONDENT]**

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BASE: ASK IF NOT RETIRED

**SSMONEY [S]**

Thinking about what the Social Security system will look like when you are ready to retire, do you think there will be enough money to provide benefits to older Americans?

- 1 Yes, at current levels
- 2 Yes, but at reduced levels
- 3 No

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- ☐ Yes, at current levels
- ☐ Yes, but at reduced levels
- ☐ No

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BASE: ASK ALL

*Randomize and record response order*

**SSCUT [-S]**

Thinking about the long-term future of Social Security, which statement comes closer to your view, even if neither is exactly right? **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]**

- 1 Some reductions in benefits for future retirees will need to be made
- 2 Social Security benefits should not be reduced in any way

Thinking about the long-term future of Social Security, which statement comes closer to your view, even if neither is exactly right?

- ☐ Social Security benefits should not be reduced in any way
- ☐ Some reductions in benefits for future retirees will need to be made

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BASE: ASK ALL

*Randomize responses in order 1-4 or 4-1. Record order shown*

**FUTR\_ABR [S]**

Thinking again about the year 2050, or 30 years from now, do you think abortion will be... **[REVERSE RESPONSE OPTIONS FOR HALF OF SAMPLE]**

- 1 Legal with no restrictions
- 2 Legal but with some restrictions
- 3 Illegal except in certain cases
- 4 Illegal with no exceptions

Thinking again about the year 2050, or 30 years from now, do you think abortion will be...

- ☐ Legal with no restrictions
- ☐ Legal but with some restrictions
- ☐ Illegal except in certain cases
- ☐ Illegal with no exceptions

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BASE: ASK ALL

*Randomize and record response options. Always show 3 last*

**FUTR\_DIV [S]**

By 2050, do you expect that people who are married will be... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, WITH OPTION 3 ALWAYS LAST]**

- 1 More likely to get divorced than people are now
- 2 Less likely to get divorced than people are now
- 3 About as likely to get divorced as people are now **[anchor]**

By 2050, do you expect that people who are married will be...

☐ Less likely to get divorced than people are now

☐ More likely to get divorced than people are now

☐ About as likely to get divorced as people are now

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BASE: ASK ALL

*Show responses in same order as FUTR\_DIV*

**FUTR\_M [S]**

By 2050, do you expect that people will be... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, WITH OPTION 3 ALWAYS LAST, KEEP ORDER THE SAME AS FUTR\_DIV FOR EACH RESPONDENT]**

- 1 More likely to get married than people are now
- 2 Less likely to get married than people are now
- 3 About as likely to get married as people are now **[anchor]**

By 2050, do you expect that people will be...

☐ Less likely to get married than people are now

☐ More likely to get married than people are now

☐ About as likely to get married as people are now

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BASE: ASK ALL

*Show responses in same order as FUTR\_DIV*

**FUTR\_K [S]**

By 2050, do you expect that people will be... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, WITH OPTION 3 ALWAYS LAST, KEEP ORDER THE SAME AS FUTR\_DIV FOR EACH RESPONDENT]**

- 1 More likely to have children than people are now
- 2 Less likely to have children than people are now
- 3 About as likely to have children as people are now **[anchor]**

By 2050, do you expect that people will be...

☐ Less likely to have children than people are now

☐ More likely to have children than people are now

☐ About as likely to have children as people are now

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**BASE: ASK ALL**

*Randomize items a-I and record order*

*Randomize responses in order 1-4 or 4-1. Record order. Show same order for every item*

*Split across 2 screens*

**SOLVPROB [S]**

In the future, what kind of an impact do you think each of the following will have in solving the biggest problems facing the country? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; OBSERVE FORM SPLITS; REVERSE RESPONSE OPTIONS FOR HALF OF SAMPLE, KEEP ORDER THE SAME FOR EACH RESPONDENT FOR ALL ITEMS, SPLIT ACROSS TWO SCREENS]**

- a. Science and technology
  - 1 A very positive impact
  - 2 A somewhat positive impact
  - 3 A somewhat negative impact
  - 4 A very negative impact
- b. Major corporations
  - 1 A very positive impact
  - 2 A somewhat positive impact
  - 3 A somewhat negative impact
  - 4 A very negative impact
- c. Religious groups
  - 1 A very positive impact
  - 2 A somewhat positive impact
  - 3 A somewhat negative impact
  - 4 A very negative impact
- d.F1 **[xform=1]** The government in Washington
  - 1 A very positive impact
  - 2 A somewhat positive impact
  - 3 A somewhat negative impact
  - 4 A very negative impact
- e.F2 **[xform=2]** State and local government
  - 1 A very positive impact
  - 2 A somewhat positive impact
  - 3 A somewhat negative impact
  - 4 A very negative impact

- f. The news media
- 1 A very positive impact
  - 2 A somewhat positive impact
  - 3 A somewhat negative impact
  - 4 A very negative impact
- g. The military
- 1 A very positive impact
  - 2 A somewhat positive impact
  - 3 A somewhat negative impact
  - 4 A very negative impact
- h. Colleges and universities
- 1 A very positive impact
  - 2 A somewhat positive impact
  - 3 A somewhat negative impact
  - 4 A very negative impact
- i. Public K-12 schools
- 1 A very positive impact
  - 2 A somewhat positive impact
  - 3 A somewhat negative impact
  - 4 A very negative impact

In the future, what kind of an impact do you think each of the following will have in solving the biggest problems facing the country?

**Colleges and universities**

☐ A very negative impact

☐ A somewhat negative impact

☐ A somewhat positive impact

☐ A very positive impact

**Religious groups**

☐ A very negative impact

☐ A somewhat negative impact

☐ A somewhat positive impact

☐ A very positive impact

**The news media**

☐ A very negative impact

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☐ A somewhat positive impact

☐ A very positive impact

**Major corporations**

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☐ A somewhat positive impact

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☐ A very negative impact

☐ A somewhat negative impact

☐ A somewhat positive impact

☐ A very positive impact

**Public K-12 schools**

☐ A very negative impact

☐ A somewhat negative impact

☐ A somewhat positive impact

☐ A very positive impact

**The military**

☐ A very negative impact

☐ A somewhat negative impact

☐ A somewhat positive impact

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☐ A very positive impact

**The military**

☐ A very negative impact

☐ A somewhat negative impact

☐ A somewhat positive impact

☐ A very positive impact

**State and local government**

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