

**2021 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL  
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**ASK ALL:**

POL1JB

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

- 1 Approve
- 2 Disapprove

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☐ Disapprove

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**SHOW RLEADAPP AND DLEADAPP ON SAME SCREEN RANDOMIZE ORDER****ASK ALL:**

RLEADAPP

Do you approve or disapprove of the job the REPUBLICAN leaders in Congress are doing?

- 1 Approve
- 2 Disapprove

**ASK ALL:**

DLEADAPP

Do you approve or disapprove of the job the DEMOCRATIC leaders in Congress are doing?

- 1 Approve
- 2 Disapprove

Do you approve or disapprove of the job the DEMOCRATIC leaders in Congress are doing?

☐ Approve

☐ Disapprove

Do you approve or disapprove of the job the REPUBLICAN leaders in Congress are doing?

☐ Approve

☐ Disapprove

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

**ASK FORM 1:**

USCONF\_FUT How much confidence do you have in the future of the United States? **[SHOW IN ORDER]**

- 1 Quite a lot
- 2 Some
- 3 Very little
- 4 None at all

How much confidence do you have in the future of the United States?

☐ Quite a lot  
☐ Some  
☐ Very little  
☐ None at all

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**ASK FORM 2:**

WISDOM\_PPL In general, how much trust and confidence do you have in the wisdom of the American people when it comes to making political decisions?

- 1 A very great deal
- 2 A good deal
- 3 Not very much
- 4 None at all

In general, how much trust and confidence do you have in the wisdom of the American people when it comes to making political decisions?

☐ A very great deal  
☐ A good deal  
☐ Not very much  
☐ None at all

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**ASK ALL:**

GOVFEEL Some people say they are basically content with the federal government, others say they are frustrated and others say they are angry. Which of these best describes how you feel?

- 1 Basically content
- 2 Frustrated
- 3 Angry

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### ASK ALL:

TRUSTFEDGOV How much of the time do you think you can trust the government in Washington to do what is right?

- 1 Just about always
- 2 Most of the time
- 3 Only some of the time
- 4 Never

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### ASK FORM 1:

BIDENISSUE1 Thinking about important issues facing the country today, overall, would you say you tend to agree with Joe Biden on... **[RANDOMIZE DISPLAY OF OPTIONS 1-4 and 4-1]**

- 1 All or nearly all issues
- 2 Many, but not all issues
- 3 A few issues
- 4 No or almost no issues

Thinking about important issues facing the country today, overall, would you say you tend to agree with Joe Biden on...

- ☐ No or almost no issues
- ☐ A few issues
- ☐ Many, but not all issues
- ☐ All or nearly all issues

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**ASK FORM 1:**

**BIDENISSUE2** Now thinking NOT about issues, but just about the way Joe Biden conducts himself as president, would you say you... **[RANDOMIZE DISPLAY OF OPTIONS 1-3 and 3-1]**

- 1 Like the way he conducts himself
- 2 Have mixed feelings about the way he conducts himself
- 3 Don't like the way he conducts himself

Now thinking NOT about issues, but just about the way Joe Biden conducts himself as president, would you say you...

☐ Don't like the way he conducts himself

☐ Have mixed feelings about the way he conducts himself

☐ Like the way he conducts himself

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**ASK FORM 2:**

**JBTONE** Since taking office, has Joe Biden changed the tone and nature of political debate in the United States... **[RANDOMIZE 1 AND 2 WITH 3 ALWAYS LAST]**

- 1 For the better
- 2 For the worse
- 3 Not changed much either way **[anchor]**

Since taking office, has Joe Biden changed the tone and nature of political debate in the United States...

☐ For the better

☐ For the worse

☐ Not changed much either way

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**ASK FORM 2:**

**JB\_ETHICAL\_ADMIN** Overall, how would you rate the ethical standards of top Biden administration officials?

- 1 Excellent
- 2 Good
- 3 Only fair
- 4 Poor

Overall, how would you rate the ethical standards of top Biden administration officials?

☐ Excellent

☐ Good

☐ Only fair

☐ Poor

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**ASK FORM 2:**

TRMP\_BDN\_ECON

Compared with the Trump administration, do you think the policies of the Biden administration are making the country's economy...

- 1 Stronger
- 2 Weaker
- 3 Not much different

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**ASK ALL:**

NATPROBS How much of a problem do you think each of the following are in the country today?

**[SPLIT ITEMS INTO 2 PAGES; RANDOMIZE ITEMS ON EACH PAGE; RANDOMIZE ORDER OF SCREENS]**

**SCREEN A****ASK ALL:**

- b. The coronavirus outbreak
- e. Racism
- g. Illegal immigration
- l. Sexism
- m. Economic inequality

**SCREEN B****ASK FORM 1:**

- h. Unemployment
- n. International terrorism
- o. Gun violence
- p. Condition of roads, bridges and other infrastructure
- f. The affordability of healthcare

**ASK FORM 2:**

- i. Climate change
- j. Violent crime
- c. The federal budget deficit
- q. Domestic terrorism
- r. The quality of public K-12 schools

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

- 1 A very big problem
- 2 A moderately big problem
- 3 A small problem
- 4 Not a problem at all

How much of a problem do you think each of the following are in the country today?

**Racism**

- ☐ A very big problem
- ☐ A moderately big problem
- ☐ A small problem
- ☐ Not a problem at all

**Sexism**

- ☐ A very big problem
- ☐ A moderately big problem
- ☐ A small problem
- ☐ Not a problem at all

**Economic inequality**

- ☐ A very big problem
- ☐ A moderately big problem
- ☐ A small problem
- ☐ Not a problem at all

**The coronavirus outbreak**

- ☐ A very big problem
- ☐ A moderately big problem
- ☐ A small problem
- ☐ Not a problem at all

**Illegal immigration**

- ☐ A very big problem
- ☐ A moderately big problem
- ☐ A small problem
- ☐ Not a problem at all

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How much of a problem do you think each of the following are in the country today?

**Condition of roads, bridges and other infrastructure**

- ☐ A very big problem
- ☐ A moderately big problem
- ☐ A small problem
- ☐ Not a problem at all

**Gun violence**

- ☐ A very big problem
- ☐ A moderately big problem
- ☐ A small problem
- ☐ Not a problem at all

**The affordability of healthcare**

- ☐ A very big problem
- ☐ A moderately big problem
- ☐ A small problem
- ☐ Not a problem at all

**Unemployment**

- ☐ A very big problem
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- ☐ Not a problem at all

The federal budget deficit

- ☐ A very big problem
- ☐ A moderately big problem
- ☐ A small problem
- ☐ Not a problem at all

Violent crime

- ☐ A very big problem
- ☐ A moderately big problem
- ☐ A small problem
- ☐ Not a problem at all

Climate change

- ☐ A very big problem
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- ☐ Not a problem at all

The quality of public K-12 schools

- ☐ A very big problem
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**ASK ALL:**

INSTFAV

Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of each of the following?

**[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

**NO ITEMS A OR B**

- c. Congress
- d. The Supreme Court

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

- 1 Very favorable
- 2 Mostly favorable
- 3 Mostly unfavorable
- 4 Very unfavorable



Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of each of the following?

The Supreme Court

☐ Very favorable

☐ Mostly favorable

☐ Mostly unfavorable

☐ Very unfavorable

Congress

☐ Very favorable

☐ Mostly favorable

☐ Mostly unfavorable

☐ Very unfavorable

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**ASK ALL:**

GOVT\_ROLE Which statement comes closer to your own views, even if neither is exactly right?  
**[RANDOMIZE]**

- 1 Government should do more to solve problems
- 2 Government is doing too many things better left to businesses and individuals

Which statement comes closer to your own views, even if neither is exactly right?

☐ Government should do more to solve problems

☐ Government is doing too many things better left to businesses and individuals

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**ASK ALL:**

COVIDAIDAPPR Do you approve or disapprove of the coronavirus economic aid package passed by Joe Biden and Congress last month?

- 1 Strongly approve
- 2 Somewhat approve
- 3 Somewhat disapprove
- 4 Strongly disapprove

Do you approve or disapprove of the coronavirus economic aid package passed by Joe Biden and Congress last month?

☐ Strongly approve

☐ Somewhat approve

☐ Somewhat disapprove

☐ Strongly disapprove

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**ASK ALL:**

COVIDAIDUNDERSTAND

How well do you feel you understand how the coronavirus economic aid package might affect you and your family?

- 1 Very well
- 2 Somewhat well
- 3 Not too well
- 4 Not at all well

How well do you feel you understand how the coronavirus economic aid package might affect you and your family?

☐ Very well  
☐ Somewhat well  
☐ Not too well  
☐ Not at all well

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**[SHOW COVIDAIDIMPACTFAM AND COVIDAIDIMPACTUS ON SAME SCREEN; DO NOT RANDOMIZE ORDER]**

**ASK ALL:**

COVIDAIDIMPACTFAM

Do you think the overall effect of the coronavirus economic aid package on YOU AND YOUR FAMILY will be...

- 1 Mostly positive
- 2 Mostly negative
- 3 Not have much of an effect

**ASK ALL:**

COVIDAIDIMPACTUS

Do you think the overall effect of the coronavirus economic aid package on THE COUNTRY AS A WHOLE will be...

- 1 Mostly positive
- 2 Mostly negative
- 3 Not have much of an effect

Do you think the overall effect of the coronavirus economic aid package on YOU AND YOUR FAMILY will be...

☐ Mostly positive  
☐ Mostly negative  
☐ Not have much of an effect

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**[SHOW VACVC\_T\_DEV – VACC\_B\_DIST ON SAME SCREEN; DO NOT RANDOMIZE]****ASK ALL:**

VACC\_T\_DEV Thinking back to last year, how would you rate the job the Trump administration did to support the development of COVID-19 vaccines by several pharmaceutical companies?

- 1 Excellent
- 2 Good
- 3 Only fair
- 4 Poor

**ASK ALL:**

VACC\_T\_DIST Thinking about the process of distributing COVID-19 vaccines to states and getting Americans vaccinated after they were developed...

How would you rate the job the Trump administration did managing the manufacture and distribution of the vaccines to Americans?

- 1 Excellent
- 2 Good
- 3 Only fair
- 4 Poor

**ASK ALL:**

VACC\_B\_DIST How would you rate the job the Biden administration is doing managing the manufacture and distribution of the vaccines to Americans?

- 1 Excellent
- 2 Good
- 3 Only fair
- 4 Poor

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On a different topic,

**ASK ALL:**

GUNSTRICT

Which of the following statements comes closest to your overall view of gun laws in this country? **[REVERSE ORDER OF PUNCHES FOR RANDOM HALF SAMPLE]**

- 1 Gun laws should be MORE strict than they are today
- 2 Gun laws are about right
- 3 Gun laws should be LESS strict than they are today

On a different topic,

Which of the following statements comes closest to your overall view of gun laws in this country?

- ☐ Gun laws should be LESS strict than they are today
- ☐ Gun laws are about right
- ☐ Gun laws should be MORE strict than they are today

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**[RANDOMIZE ORDER OF GUNPRIORITY1 AND GUNPRIORITY2]****ASK ALL:**

GUNPRIORITY1 Please indicate whether you would **[MATCH ORDER WITH PUNCHES: favor or oppose / oppose or favor]** the following proposals about gun policy. **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; REVERSE ORDER OF PUNCHES FOR RANDOM HALF-SAMPLE, USE SAME ORDER OF RESPONSES FOR GUNPRIORITY2]**

**NO ITEM A**

- b. Preventing people with mental illnesses from purchasing guns
- c. Banning assault-style weapons
- d. Creating a federal government database to track all gun sales
- e. Banning high-capacity ammunition magazines that hold more than 10 rounds
- f. Making private gun sales and sales at gun shows subject to background checks

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

- 1 Strongly favor
- 2 Somewhat favor
- 3 Somewhat oppose
- 4 Strongly oppose

Please indicate whether you would oppose or favor the following proposals about gun policy.

**Banning high-capacity ammunition magazines that hold more than 10 rounds**

- ☐ Strongly oppose
- ☐ Somewhat oppose
- ☐ Somewhat favor
- ☐ Strongly favor

**Creating a federal government database to track all gun sales**

- ☐ Strongly oppose
- ☐ Somewhat oppose
- ☐ Somewhat favor
- ☐ Strongly favor

**Preventing people with mental illnesses from purchasing guns**

- ☐ Strongly oppose
- ☐ Somewhat oppose
- ☐ Somewhat favor
- ☐ Strongly favor

**Making private gun sales and sales at gun shows subject to background checks**

- ☐ Strongly oppose
- ☐ Somewhat oppose
- ☐ Somewhat favor
- ☐ Strongly favor

**Banning assault-style weapons**

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- ☐ Strongly favor

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**[RANDOMIZE ORDER OF GUNPRIORITY1 AND GUNPRIORITY2]****ASK ALL:**

GUNPRIORITY2

Please indicate whether you would **[[MATCH ORDER WITH PUNCHES: favor or oppose / oppose or favor]** the following proposals about gun policy.

**[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; REVERSE ORDER OF PUNCHES FOR RANDOM HALF-SAMPLE, USE SAME ORDER OF RESPONSES FOR GUNPRIORITY1]**

- g. Allowing people to carry concealed guns in more places
- h. Allowing people to carry concealed guns without a permit
- i. Allowing teachers and school officials to carry guns in K-12 schools
- j. Shortening waiting periods for people who want to buy guns legally

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

- 1 Strongly favor
- 2 Somewhat favor
- 3 Somewhat oppose
- 4 Strongly oppose

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Shortening waiting periods for people who want to buy guns legally

☐ Strongly oppose  
☐ Somewhat oppose  
☐ Somewhat favor  
☐ Strongly favor

Allowing people to carry concealed guns in more places

☐ Strongly oppose  
☐ Somewhat oppose  
☐ Somewhat favor  
☐ Strongly favor

Allowing teachers and school officials to carry guns in K-12 schools

☐ Strongly oppose  
☐ Somewhat oppose  
☐ Somewhat favor  
☐ Strongly favor

Allowing people to carry concealed guns without a permit

☐ Strongly oppose  
☐ Somewhat oppose  
☐ Somewhat favor  
☐ Strongly favor

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**ASK FORM 1:**

MOREGUNIMPACT

If more Americans owned guns, do you think there would be... **[RANDOMIZE PUNCHES 1 AND 2 FOR RANDOM HALF SAMPLE; ALWAYS DISPLAY THIRD OPTION LAST]**

- 1 More crime
- 2 Less crime
- 3 No difference **[anchor]**

If more Americans owned guns, do you think there would be...

☐ More crime

☐ Less crime

☐ No difference

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**ASK FORM 2:**

MASSSTRICT

If it was harder for people to legally obtain guns in the United States, do you think there would be... **[RANDOMIZE PUNCHES 1 AND 2 FOR RANDOM HALF SAMPLE; ALWAYS DISPLAY THIRD OPTION LAST]**

- 1 Fewer mass shootings
- 2 More mass shootings
- 3 No difference **[anchor]**

If it was harder for people to legally obtain guns in the United States, do you think there would be...

☐ Fewer mass shootings

☐ More mass shootings

☐ No difference

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**ASK FORM 1:**

UNDROPPL

As you may know, over the past several decades there has been a large reduction in the percentage of workers who are represented by unions.

Thinking about working people, do you think this has been... **[REVERSE ORDER FOR HALF SAMPLE]**

- 1 Very good for working people
- 2 Somewhat good for working people
- 3 Somewhat bad for working people
- 4 Very bad for working people



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☐ Somewhat good for working people  
☐ Somewhat bad for working people  
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**ASK FORM 2:**

**UNIONDROP** As you may know, over the past several decades there has been a large reduction in the percentage of workers who are represented by unions.

Do you think this has been... **[REVERSE ORDER FOR HALF SAMPLE]**

- 1 Very good for the country
- 2 Somewhat good for the country
- 3 Somewhat bad for the country
- 4 Very bad for the country

As you may know, over the past several decades there has been a large reduction in the percentage of workers who are represented by unions.

Do you think this has been...

☐ Very good for the country  
☐ Somewhat good for the country  
☐ Somewhat bad for the country  
☐ Very bad for the country

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Thinking now about some other topics,

**ASK ALL:**

**ABORTLGL** Do you think abortion should be... **[RANDOMIZE DISPLAY OF OPTIONS 1-4 and 4-1]**

- 1 Legal in all cases
- 2 Legal in most cases
- 3 Illegal in most cases
- 4 Illegal in all cases

Thinking now about some other topics,

Do you think abortion should be...

☐ Illegal in all cases

☐ Illegal in most cases

☐ Legal in most cases

☐ Legal in all cases

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**ASK ALL:**

MARIJUANA3 Which comes closer to your view about the use of marijuana by adults?

- 1 It should be legal for medical AND recreational use
- 2 It should be legal for medical use ONLY
- 3 It should NOT be legal

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☐ It should be legal for medical use ONLY

☐ It should NOT be legal

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**ASK ALL:**

GOVRESP Do you think each of the following is something the federal government has a responsibility to provide for all Americans? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

- a. An adequate standard of living
- NO ITEM B**
- c. High quality K-12 education
- d. A college education
- e. Adequate income in retirement
- NO ITEM F**
- g. Health insurance
- h. Access to high-speed internet
- i. Clean air and water

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

- 1 Yes, a responsibility of the federal government to provide for all Americans
- 2 No, not the responsibility of the federal government to provide

Do you think each of the following is something the federal government has a responsibility to provide for all Americans?

Access to high-speed internet

- ☐ Yes, a responsibility of the federal government to provide for all Americans
- ☐ No, not the responsibility of the federal government to provide

Adequate income in retirement

- ☐ Yes, a responsibility of the federal government to provide for all Americans
- ☐ No, not the responsibility of the federal government to provide

Clean air and water

- ☐ Yes, a responsibility of the federal government to provide for all Americans
- ☐ No, not the responsibility of the federal government to provide

High quality K-12 education

- ☐ Yes, a responsibility of the federal government to provide for all Americans
- ☐ No, not the responsibility of the federal government to provide

A college education

- ☐ Yes, a responsibility of the federal government to provide for all Americans
- ☐ No, not the responsibility of the federal government to provide

An adequate standard of living

- ☐ Yes, a responsibility of the federal government to provide for all Americans
- ☐ No, not the responsibility of the federal government to provide

Health insurance

- ☐ Yes, a responsibility of the federal government to provide for all Americans
- ☐ No, not the responsibility of the federal government to provide

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**ASK ALL:**

LGLSTATUS

Which comes closer to your view about how to handle undocumented immigrants who are now living in the U.S.? **[RANDOMIZE]**

- 1 They should not be allowed to stay in the country legally
- 2 There should be a way for them to stay in the country legally, if certain requirements are met

Which comes closer to your view about how to handle undocumented immigrants who are now living in the U.S.?

- ☐ They should not be allowed to stay in the country legally
- ☐ There should be a way for them to stay in the country legally, if certain requirements are met

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**ASK IF NOT ALLOWED TO STAY IN COUNTRY LEGALLY (LGLSTATUS=1):**

NATLDPRT Do you think there should be a national law enforcement effort to deport all immigrants who are now living in the U.S. illegally, or should that not be done?

- 1 Should be national law enforcement effort to deport
- 2 Should NOT be national law enforcement effort to deport

Do you think there should be a national law enforcement effort to deport all immigrants who are now living in the U.S. illegally, or should that not be done?

- ☐ Should be national law enforcement effort to deport
- ☐ Should NOT be national law enforcement effort to deport

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**ASK IF A WAY FOR THEM TO STAY LEGALLY (LGLSTATUS = 2):**

LGL\_CITIZPRENSHIP And do you think immigrants who are in the U.S. illegally and meet the requirements should... **[RANDOMIZE]**

- 1 Be eligible to apply for U.S. citizenship
- 2 Be eligible to apply for permanent residency, but not U.S. citizenship

And do you think immigrants who are in the U.S. illegally and meet the requirements should...

- ☐ Be eligible to apply for U.S. citizenship
- ☐ Be eligible to apply for permanent residency, but not U.S. citizenship

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**ASK ALL:**

ASYLUMHA How much, if anything, have you heard about the increase in the number of people seeking asylum at the U.S. border with Mexico?

- 1 A lot
- 2 A little
- 3 Nothing at all

How much, if anything, have you heard about the increase in the number of people seeking asylum at the U.S. border with Mexico?

☐ A lot  
☐ A little  
☐ Nothing at all

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**ASK ALL:**

BRDERJOB How would you rate the job the U.S. government is doing dealing with the increased number of people seeking asylum at the U.S. border with Mexico?

- 1 Very good job
- 2 Somewhat good job
- 3 Somewhat bad job
- 4 Very bad job

How would you rate the job the U.S. government is doing dealing with the increased number of people seeking asylum at the U.S. border with Mexico?

☐ Very good job  
☐ Somewhat good job  
☐ Somewhat bad job  
☐ Very bad job

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**ASK ALL:**

BRDERVAL Thinking about the situation at the U.S. border with Mexico, how important, if at all, are each of the following for the U.S.? **[RANDOMIZE]**

**ASK FORM 2:**

- a. Reducing the number of people coming to the U.S. to seek asylum

**ASK ALL:**

- b. Providing safe and sanitary conditions for asylum seekers once they arrive in the U.S.

**NO ITEM C**

- d. Providing more assistance to countries in places like Central America, where many asylum seekers are coming from

- e. Making it harder for asylum seekers to be granted legal status in the U.S.

**NO ITEM F****ASK FORM 1:**

- g. Increasing staffing and resources available to process unaccompanied minors more quickly
- h. Not allowing people to seek asylum in the United States

**ASK FORM 2:**

- i. Increasing staffing and resources available to patrol and police the border

**RESPONSE OPTIONS**

- 1 Very important
- 2 Somewhat important
- 3 Not too important
- 4 Not at all important

Thinking about the situation at the U.S. border with Mexico, how important, if at all, are each of the following for the U.S.?

Increasing staffing and resources available to process unaccompanied minors more quickly

- ☐ Very important
- ☐ Somewhat important
- ☐ Not too important
- ☐ Not at all important

Providing safe and sanitary conditions for asylum seekers once they arrive in the U.S.

- ☐ Very important
- ☐ Somewhat important
- ☐ Not too important
- ☐ Not at all important

Making it harder for asylum seekers to be granted legal status in the U.S.

- ☐ Very important
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Providing more assistance to countries in places like Central America, where many asylum seekers are coming from

- ☐ Very important
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Thinking about the situation at the U.S. border with Mexico, how important, if at all, are each of the following for the U.S.?

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Providing safe and sanitary conditions for asylum seekers once they arrive in the U.S.

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**ASK ALL:**

VTEARLYDOC Which statement comes closer to your own views, even if neither is exactly right?  
**[RANDOMIZE]**

- 1 A voter should only be allowed to vote early or absentee if they have a documented reason for not voting in person on Election Day
- 2 Any voter should have the option to vote early or absentee without having to document a reason

Which statement comes closer to your own views, even if neither is exactly right?

- ☐ Any voter should have the option to vote early or absentee without having to document a reason
- ☐ A voter should only be allowed to vote early or absentee if they have a documented reason for not voting in person on Election Day

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**ASK ALL:**

RACESURV20 Thinking about your own experience, have you ever personally experienced discrimination or been treated unfairly because of your race or ethnicity?

- 1 Yes, regularly
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- a. People acted as if they were uncomfortable around you
- b. Been subject to slurs or jokes
- c. Feared someone might threaten or physically attack you
- d. Someone expressed support for you
- e. Someone made a remark that you should go back to your home country

**ASK ASIANS ONLY (XRACEMOD3=1):**

- f. Someone made a remark that you are to blame for the coronavirus outbreak

**RESPONSE OPTIONS:**

- 1 Yes, has happened to me since the outbreak
- 2 No, has not happened to me since the outbreak



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### ASK ALL:

**YOUR TAXES** Considering what you get from the federal government, do you think you pay...

- 1 More than your fair share of taxes
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**ASK ALL:**

TAXBTHR

How much, if at all, does each of the following bother you about the federal tax system? **[RANDOMIZE]**

- a. The amount you pay in taxes
- b. The complexity of the tax system
- c. The feeling that some wealthy people don't pay their fair share
- d. The feeling that some poor people don't pay their fair share
- e. The feeling that some corporations don't pay their fair share

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

- 1 A lot
- 2 Some
- 3 Not too much
- 4 Not at all

How much, if at all, does each of the following bother you about the federal tax system?

The feeling that some poor people don't pay their fair share

☐ A lot

☐ Some

☐ Not too much

☐ Not at all

The feeling that some wealthy people don't pay their fair share

☐ A lot

☐ Some

☐ Not too much

☐ Not at all

The feeling that some corporations don't pay their fair share

☐ A lot

☐ Some

☐ Not too much

☐ Not at all

The complexity of the tax system

☐ A lot

☐ Some

☐ Not too much

☐ Not at all

The amount you pay in taxes

☐ A lot

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**ASK ALL:**

VTPRIORITY Please indicate whether you would favor or oppose the following ideas about election policy. **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; RANDOMLY DISPLAY RESPONSES 1-4 OR 4-1]**

- a. Automatically registering all eligible citizens to vote
- b. Making Election Day a national holiday
- NO ITEMS C OR D**
- e. Allowing people convicted of felonies to vote after serving their sentences
- NO ITEMS F-H**
- i. Removing people from registration lists if they have not recently voted or confirmed their registration
- j. Requiring all voters to show government-issued photo identification to vote
- k. Requiring electronic voting machines to print a paper backup of the ballot
- l. Making early, in-person voting available to voters for at least two weeks prior to Election Day

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

- 1 Strongly favor
- 2 Somewhat favor
- 3 Somewhat oppose
- 4 Strongly oppose

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## ASK ALL:

### REDIST

As you may know, states are required to redraw their congressional district maps every 10 years with the new data from the Census.

There is a proposal to require all states to put together committees with equal numbers of Democrats and Republicans who would be responsible for determining the state's congressional maps, instead of having state legislatures come up with their own plans.

Do you approve or disapprove of this proposal?

- 1 Approve
- 2 Disapprove
- 3 Not sure

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☐ Disapprove  
☐ Not sure

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### ASK ALL:

DTHPNLTY

Do you favor or oppose the death penalty for persons convicted of murder?

- 1 Strongly favor  
 2 Somewhat favor  
 3 Somewhat oppose  
 4 Strongly oppose

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**[SHOW INTRO TEXT AND DTHPNLTYA-DTHPNLTYD ON SAME SCREEN USING VISUAL DIVIDER BETWEEN EACH VARIABLE]**

### ASK ALL:

Next are a few pairs of statements about the death penalty in the U.S. Please choose the statement that comes closer to your own views, even if neither is exactly right. **[RANDOMIZE THE ORDER OF PAIRS AND RANDOMIZE STATEMENTS WITHIN PAIRS].**

*[Please select one item from each pair]*

### ASK ALL:

DTHPNLTYA

- 1 The death penalty deters people from committing serious crimes  
 2 The death penalty does NOT deter people from committing serious crimes

### ASK ALL:

DTHPNLTYB

- 1 When someone commits a crime like murder, the death penalty is morally justified  
 2 The death penalty is morally wrong, even when someone commits a crime like murder

**ASK FORM 1:**

DTHPNLTYC

- 1 Minorities are more likely than whites to be sentenced to the death penalty for committing similar crimes
- 2 Whites and minorities are equally likely to be sentenced to the death penalty for committing similar crimes

**ASK FORM 2:**

DTHPNLTYCMOD

- 1 Black people are more likely than White people to be sentenced to the death penalty for committing similar crimes
- 2 White people and Black people are equally likely to be sentenced to the death penalty for committing similar crimes

**ASK ALL:**

DTHPNLTYD

- 1 There is some risk that an innocent person will be put to death
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*[Please select one item from each pair]*

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- ☐ Minorities are more likely than whites to be sentenced to the death penalty for committing similar crimes
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- ☐ The death penalty does NOT deter people from committing serious crimes
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*[Please select one item from each pair]*

- ☐ The death penalty does NOT deter people from committing serious crimes
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- ☐ There are adequate safeguards to ensure that no innocent person will be put to death
- ☐ There is some risk that an innocent person will be put to death
- ☐ White people and Black people are equally likely to be sentenced to the death penalty for committing similar crimes
- ☐ Black people are more likely than White people to be sentenced to the death penalty for committing similar crimes
- ☐ The death penalty is morally wrong, even when someone commits a crime like murder
- ☐ When someone commits a crime like murder, the death penalty is morally justified

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**ASK ALL:**  
**MINWAGE**

Do you favor or oppose raising the federal minimum wage to \$15.00 an hour?

- 1 Strongly favor
- 2 Somewhat favor
- 3 Somewhat oppose
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**IF FAVOR (MINWAGE=1,2):**

**FAVMINWAGE** While you favor raising the federal minimum wage to \$15.00 an hour, if there is not enough support in Congress this year for that to pass, would you place greater priority on... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]**

- 1 Increasing the federal minimum wage this year, even if the new minimum wage is significantly less than \$15.00 an hour
- 2 Working to raise the federal minimum wage to at least \$15.00 an hour, even if no increase makes it into law this year

While you favor raising the federal minimum wage to \$15.00 an hour, if there is not enough support in Congress this year for that to pass, would you place greater priority on...

- ☐ Working to raise the federal minimum wage to at least \$15.00 an hour, even if no increase makes it into law this year
- ☐ Increasing the federal minimum wage this year, even if the new minimum wage is significantly less than \$15.00 an hour

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**IF OPPOSE (MINWAGE=3,4):**

OPMINWAGE While you oppose raising the minimum wage to \$15.00 an hour, which comes closer to your view?

The federal minimum wage should... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]**

- 1 Be increased, but to less than \$15.00 an hour
- 2 Stay at \$7.25 an hour

While you oppose raising the minimum wage to \$15.00 an hour, which comes closer to your view?

The federal minimum wage should...

- ☐ Stay at \$7.25 an hour
- ☐ Be increased, but to less than \$15.00 an hour

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**ASK ALL:**

ASIANDISC3 Based on what you've read or heard, do you think violence against Asian Americans in the United States is... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2 WITH 3 AND 4 ALWAYS LAST]**

- 1 Increasing
- 2 Decreasing
- 3 Staying the same **[anchor]**
- [space]**
- 4 Not sure **[anchor]**

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- ☐ Decreasing
- ☐ Increasing
- ☐ Staying the same
- ☐ Not sure

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**ASK IF ASIAN AND THINKS VIOLENCE AGAINST ASIAN AMERICANS IS INCREASING  
(XRACEMOD3=1 AND ASIANDISC3=1):**

ASIANDISC\_AOE      In your own words, what do you think are the main reasons violence against Asian Americans has been increasing in the United States? **[OPEN-END]**

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**\*CODEBOOK FOR ATP SAMPLE VARIABLES TO BE USED IN SURVEY PROGRAMMING LOGIC\***

**XRACEMOD3**

1      Asian  
0      Not Asian