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**Survey of Young Americans' Attitudes toward Politics and Public Service**  
**43rd Edition: March 15-30, 2022**  
**N=2,024 18- to- 29-Year-Olds in English and Spanish**  
**Margin of Error: +/-2.89% at the 95% Level**

1. With regard to school, are you currently enrolled at any of the following?

High school .....	9%
Trade/Vocational school .....	2%
2-year or junior college or community college .....	9%
4-year college/university .....	18%
Graduate school.....	5%
Business or professional school (law, medicine, etc.).....	2%
Not enrolled in a college/university, but taking at least one course .....	2%
Not currently enrolled in any of these.....	56%

2. In which year of college are you? (n=323)

First year student/Freshman .....	21%
Second year student/Sophomore .....	20%
Third year student/Junior .....	21%
Fourth year student/Senior .....	25%
Fifth year student or higher .....	12%

3. We understand that plenty of young people are not registered to vote, but we are wondering if you are registered to vote?

Yes.....	74%
No.....	21%
Don't know.....	5%

**[If respondent was over 18 on November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020, ask Q4 – Q6]**

4. Which of the following statements best describes your voter registration status for the last presidential election held on November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020? (n=1,812)

I was registered .....	74%
I thought about registering, but didn't.....	4%
I tried to register, but was unable to .....	1%
I was not registered to vote on November 3, 2020.....	14%
Not sure .....	7%

5. **[Split Sample A]** Which of the following statements best describes your voting in the last presidential election held on November 3rd, 2020? (n=907)

I voted at a polling place .....	28%
I voted early.....	8%
I voted by mail / absentee ballot .....	33%
I planned on voting but wasn't able to .....	2%
I did not vote in this election.....	28%
I went to the polling place but wasn't allowed to vote.....	1%
Refused.....	1%

6. **[Split Sample B]** In November 2020, Donald Trump ran on the Republican ticket against Joe Biden, for the Democrats. Do you remember for sure whether or not you voted in that election for president? (n=905)

Yes, I definitely voted.....	68%
I'm not 100% certain if I voted .....	3%
I definitely did not vote .....	29%
Refused.....	0%

7. When it comes to voting, with which party do you consider yourself to be affiliated?

<b>Net: Democratic.....</b>	<b>38%</b>
Strong Democrat .....	19%
Not a very strong Democrat .....	19%

<b>Net: Republican.....</b>	<b>25%</b>
Strong Republican.....	13%
Not a very strong Republican.....	12%

<b>Net: Independent/Unaffiliated .....</b>	<b>37%</b>
Lean Democrat .....	11%
Lean Republican.....	6%
Do not lean towards either part .....	20%
Refused.....	1%

8. When it comes to most political issues, do you think of yourself as a...?

Liberal .....	31%
Moderate leaning liberal.....	9%
Moderate .....	27%
Moderate leaning conservative.....	8%
Conservative.....	23%
Refused.....	1%

**[If respondent voted in 2020, ask Q9]**

9. For whom did you vote for president in 2020? (n=1,210)
- |                        |     |
|------------------------|-----|
| Joe Biden.....         | 57% |
| Donald Trump.....      | 31% |
| Someone else.....      | 6%  |
| Don't remember.....    | 1%  |
| Decline to answer..... | 6%  |
| Refused.....           | 0%  |
10. How likely is it that you will vote in the 2022 elections for Congress?
- |                                 |     |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| Definitely will be voting.....  | 36% |
| Probably will be voting.....    | 16% |
| 50-50.....                      | 22% |
| Probably won't be voting.....   | 12% |
| Definitely won't be voting..... | 13% |
| Refused.....                    | 0%  |
11. Do you consider yourself to be politically engaged or politically active?
- |              |     |
|--------------|-----|
| Yes.....     | 31% |
| No.....      | 68% |
| Refused..... | 0%  |
12. Overall, how closely do you follow news about national politics?..
- |                              |            |
|------------------------------|------------|
| <b>Net: Closely.....</b>     | <b>51%</b> |
| <b>Net: Not Closely.....</b> | <b>49%</b> |
| Very closely.....            | 13%        |
| Somewhat closely.....        | 38%        |
| Not very closely.....        | 30%        |
| Not at all closely.....      | 19%        |
| Refused.....                 | 0%         |
13. All in all, do you think that things in the nation are ...?
- |   |     |
|---|-----|
| Generally headed in the right direction.....          | 13% |
| Off on the wrong track.....                           | 49% |
| Not sure what direction the country is headed in..... | 37% |
| Refused.....  | 0%  |

14. Thinking about national issues for a moment, which issue concerns you most? (Open-ended responses coded)

<b>Net: Economic Issues .....</b>	<b>29%</b>
Economy .....	10%
Inflation/cost of living increases .....	9%
Gas prices/taxes.....	5%
National Debt/budget deficit .....	1%
Economic equality/inequality/poverty .....	1%
Jobs/Employment .....	1%
Taxes .....	1%
Money issues .....	1%
High cost of living/difficult to make ends meet.....	1%
Financial stability .....	1%
<b>Net: Foreign Policy/National Security.....</b>	<b>18%</b>
Ukraine/Russian crisis/war/Russian invasion of Ukraine .....	8%
War/military .....	7%
National security .....	1%
Terrorism.....	1%
Foreign policy/affairs .....	1%
<b>Net: Environmental Issues .....</b>	<b>8%</b>
The environment, .....	7%
Global Warming.....	1%
Health care .....	5%
Coronavirus disease (COVID-19).....	4%
Racial issues .....	3%
Illegal immigrants /Immigration .....	2%
President Joe Biden/lack of political leadership .....	2%
Equality/Equal rights (unspecified).....	2%
Lack of unity/Division/partisanship .....	2%
Abortion .....	2%
All issues .....	2%
Cost of education/student debt .....	1%
Education.....	1%
Housing .....	1%
Women's rights.....	1%
Gun control/Second amendment rights .....	1%
Social issues/justice/rights .....	1%
Government/political corruption.....	1%
Other mentions .....	8%
Don't know/no answer.....	6%
None .....	4%

In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job performance of:  
(Rank-ordered by "Approve")

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>Refused</u>
15. Joe Biden as president	41%	56%	2%
16. The Democrats in Congress	40%	57%	3%
17. The Republicans in Congress	31%	66%	3%
18. What is your preference for the outcome of the 2022 Congressional elections, a Congress controlled by Democrats, or a Congress controlled by Republicans?			
Democrats control .....	40%		
Republicans control.....	28%		
Don't know/Refused .....	32%		
Refused.....	1%		

**[If respondent disapproves of Joe Biden's job performance as president, ask Q19]**

19. Which of the following reasons best explains why you disapprove of President Biden at this time? (n=1,151)	
Ineffectiveness.....	36%
Not following through on campaign promises.....	14%
Does not share my values.....	10%
General national trends .....	8%
Does not share my policy concerns.....	7%
Not legitimately-elected.....	5%
Other: Please specify.....	9%
Don't know.....	11%
Refused.....	0%

Now thinking specifically about Joe Biden, do you approve or disapprove of the way he is handling:  
(Rank-ordered by "Approve")

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>Refused</u>
20. Coronavirus	52%	46%	2%
21. The situation in Ukraine	46%	53%	2%
22. Economy	34%	64%	2%
23. In general, would you like to see and hear <u>more</u> -- or would you like to see and hear <u>less</u> -- from President Biden?			
Want to see and hear more .....	27%		
Want to see and hear less .....	25%		
I'm satisfied right now .....	27%		
Don't know.....	20%		
Refused.....	0%		

24. Do you believe that the recent rise in consumer prices like gas and groceries is mostly due to:
- |   |     |
|---|-----|
| The actions of the Biden administration ..... | 33% |
| Broader trends in the global economy.....     | 51% |
| Don't know.....                               | 16% |
| Refused.....                                  | 0%  |
25. On which of the following, if any, do you regularly access for news and current events related content?
- |                     |     |
|---------------------|-----|
| Local TV News ..... | 28% |
| Facebook .....      | 27% |
| Instagram.....      | 25% |
| Twitter .....       | 23% |
| CNN .....           | 21% |
| TikTok.....         | 21% |
| Fox News .....      | 17% |
| Snapchat .....      | 14% |
| Podcasts.....       | 12% |
| MSNBC.....          | 10% |
| Parler .....        | 1%  |
| None of above ..... | 25% |
26. At this moment, would you say that you are more hopeful or fearful about the future of America?
- |               |     |
|---------------|-----|
| Hopeful.....  | 37% |
| Fearful ..... | 63% |
| Refused.....  | 1%  |
27. **[Split Sample A]** In general, do you think President Biden cares: (n=1,016)
- |   |     |
|---|-----|
| More about the interests of people like you ..... | 27% |
| More about the interests of the elite .....       | 37% |
| Don't know.....                                   | 36% |
| Refused.....                                      | 0%  |
28. **[Split Sample B]** In general, do you think the Democratic Party cares: (n=1,008)
- |   |     |
|---|-----|
| More about the interests of people like you ..... | 28% |
| More about the interests of the elite .....       | 39% |
| Don't know.....                                   | 32% |
| Refused.....                                      | 0%  |
29. **[Split Sample A]** In general, do you think former President Trump cares:(n=1,016)
- |   |     |
|---|-----|
| More about the interests of people like you ..... | 23% |
| More about the interests of the elite .....       | 56% |
| Don't know.....                                   | 20% |
| Refused.....                                      | 1%  |

30. **[Split Sample B]** In general, do you think the Republican Party cares: (n=1,008)

More about the interests of people like you .....	21%
More about the interests of the elite .....	51%
Don't know.....	27%
Refused.....	1%

Have you participated in any of the following activities in the past 12 months?

31. Volunteered for community service

Yes.....	31%
No.....	69%
Refused.....	1%

32. Participated in a government, political, or issue-related organization

Yes.....	9%
No.....	90%
Refused.....	1%

Have you ever done any of the following? (Rank-ordered by "yes")

33. Shared or posted online advocating for a political position or opinion

Yes.....	28%
No.....	71%
Refused.....	1%

34. Donated money to a political campaign or cause

Yes.....	18%
No.....	81%
Refused.....	1%

35. Attended a political rally or demonstration

Yes.....	17%
No.....	83%
Refused.....	1%

36. Volunteered on a political campaign for a candidate or an issue

Yes.....	12%
No.....	87%
Refused.....	1%

How comfortable do you feel expressing your identity/true self in the following places? (Rank-ordered by "Net: Comfortable")

37. With friends

**Net: Comfortable.....84%**

**Net: Uncomfortable.....11%**

Very comfortable ..... 55%

Somewhat comfortable..... 29%

Somewhat uncomfortable..... 8%

Very uncomfortable ..... 3%

Don't know..... 4%

Refused..... 0%

38. With family

**Net: Comfortable.....81%**

**Net: Uncomfortable.....14%**

Very comfortable ..... 55%

Somewhat comfortable..... 26%

Somewhat uncomfortable..... 10%

Very uncomfortable ..... 4%

Don't know..... 4%

Refused..... 0%

**[If currently enrolled in school, ask Q39]**

39. At school (n=719)

**Net: Comfortable.....64%**

**Net: Uncomfortable.....29%**

Very comfortable ..... 30%

Somewhat comfortable..... 34%

Somewhat uncomfortable..... 21%

Very uncomfortable ..... 9%

Don't know..... 6%

Refused..... 1%

**[If currently employed, ask Q39]**

40. At work (n=1,478)

**Net: Comfortable.....62%**

**Net: Uncomfortable.....30%**

Very comfortable ..... 29%

Somewhat comfortable..... 33%

Somewhat uncomfortable..... 20%

Very uncomfortable ..... 10%

Don't know..... 7%

Refused..... 0%



41. On social media

<b>Net: Comfortable</b> .....	<b>53%</b>
<b>Net: Uncomfortable</b> .....	<b>37%</b>
Very comfortable .....	24%
Somewhat comfortable.....	29%
Somewhat uncomfortable.....	20%
Very uncomfortable .....	17%
Don't know.....	11%
Refused.....	0%

42. When you vote, which part of your identity do you consider most? (Open-ended responses coded)

Political beliefs.....	21%
Ethics/morals/logic.....	15%
Gender identity.....	10%
Race/ethnicity.....	9%
Economy/money/financials.....	8%
Everything ("I consider every part of myself").....	6%
Religion/faith/spirituality .....	6%
America/Society as a whole .....	6%
Sexuality/sexual orientation .....	4%
Do not vote .....	4%
Age .....	2%
Hometown/location .....	2%
My self-interest/what's best for me .....	2%
Family .....	2%
Views of candidate instead.....	1%

How comfortable do you feel with the following? (Rank-ordered by "Net: Comfortable")

43. A close friend comes out as LGBTQ

<b>Net: Comfortable</b> .....	<b>72%</b>
<b>Net: Uncomfortable</b> .....	<b>17%</b>
Very comfortable .....	54%
Somewhat comfortable.....	18%
Somewhat uncomfortable.....	8%
Very uncomfortable .....	9%
Don't know.....	10%
Refused.....	1%

44. A close friend transitions from one gender to another

**Net: Comfortable.....61%**

**Net: Uncomfortable.....28%**

Very comfortable ..... 40%

Somewhat comfortable..... 21%

Somewhat uncomfortable..... 13%

Very uncomfortable ..... 15%

Don't know..... 11%

Refused..... 1%

45. Someone corrects your pronoun use and asks you to call them “they/them” instead of she/her or he/him

**Net: Comfortable.....56%**

**Net: Uncomfortable.....32%**

Very comfortable ..... 34%

Somewhat comfortable..... 21%

Somewhat uncomfortable..... 15%

Very uncomfortable ..... 17%

Don't know..... 12%

Refused..... 1%

46. Transgender athletes participating in sports

**Net: Comfortable.....46%**

**Net: Uncomfortable.....40%**

Very comfortable ..... 27%

Somewhat comfortable..... 19%

Somewhat uncomfortable..... 13%

Very uncomfortable ..... 27%

Don't know..... 13%

Refused..... 1%

47. Cancel culture

**Net: Comfortable.....22%**

**Net: Uncomfortable.....55%**

Very comfortable ..... 8%

Somewhat comfortable..... 14%

Somewhat uncomfortable..... 23%

Very uncomfortable ..... 32%

Don't know..... 23%

Refused..... 1%

How much, if at all, do you believe that the following people are under attack in America? (Rank-ordered by a "Net: A Lot or a Little")

48. People with your political views

**Net: A Lot or a Little .....64%**

**Net: Not Much or Not at All.....35%**

A lot..... 29%

A little..... 35%

Not much ..... 20%

Not at all..... 15%

Refused..... 1%

49. People of your racial background

**Net: A Lot or a Little .....54%**

**Net: Not Much or Not at All.....46%**

A lot..... 31%

A little..... 23%

Not much ..... 19%

Not at all..... 27%

Refused..... 1%

50. People of your sexual orientation

**Net: A Lot or a Little .....46%**

**Net: Not Much or Not at All.....53%**

A lot..... 23%

A little..... 23%

Not much ..... 21%

Not at all..... 32%

Refused..... 1%

51. People with your religious affiliation

**Net: A Lot or a Little .....44%**

**Net: Not Much or Not at All.....55%**

A lot..... 18%

A little..... 26%

Not much ..... 26%

Not at all..... 29%

Refused..... 1%

Switching gears, below is a list of individuals, organizations and institutions. How often do you trust each of them to do the right thing? (Rank-ordered by "Net: All or Most of the Time")

52. The United States military

**Net: All or Most of the Time .....46%**

**Net: Some of the Time or Never.....53%**

All of the time ..... 12%

Most of the time ..... 34%

Some of the time ..... 37%

Never ..... 16%

Refused..... 1%

53. The United Nations

**Net: All or Most of the Time .....39%**

**Net: Some of the Time or Never.....60%**

All of the time ..... 8%

Most of the time ..... 31%

Some of the time ..... 42%

Never ..... 19%

Refused..... 1%

54. The Supreme Court

**Net: All or Most of the Time .....37%**

**Net: Some of the Time or Never.....61%**

All of the time ..... 8%

Most of the time ..... 30%

Some of the time ..... 46%

Never ..... 15%

Refused..... 1%

55. The President

**Net: All or Most of the Time .....31%**

**Net: Some of the Time or Never.....68%**

All of the time ..... 6%

Most of the time ..... 25%

Some of the time ..... 44%

Never ..... 24%

Refused..... 1%

## 56. The federal government

**Net: All or Most of the Time .....28%**

**Net: Some of the Time or Never.....71%**

All of the time ..... 5%

Most of the time ..... 23%

Some of the time ..... 47%

Never ..... 23%

Refused..... 1%

## 57. The Congress

**Net: All or Most of the Time .....23%**

**Net: Some of the Time or Never.....76%**

All of the time ..... 6%

Most of the time ..... 18%

Some of the time ..... 52%

Never ..... 24%

Refused..... 1%

## 58. Wall Street

**Net: All or Most of the Time .....18%**

**Net: Some of the Time or Never.....80%**

All of the time ..... 5%

Most of the time ..... 14%

Some of the time ..... 40%

Never ..... 41%

Refused..... 1%

## 59. The media

**Net: All or Most of the Time .....18%**

**Net: Some of the Time or Never.....81%**

All of the time ..... 5%

Most of the time ..... 13%

Some of the time ..... 46%

Never ..... 35%

Refused..... 1%

Do you agree or disagree with these statements? (Rank-ordered by "Net: Agree")

60. Community service is an honorable thing to do.

**Net: Agree .....77%**

**Net: Disagree.....5%**

Strongly agree ..... 47%

Somewhat agree ..... 30%

Neither agree nor disagree..... 17%

Somewhat disagree..... 2%

Strongly disagree..... 2%

Refused..... 1%

61. The United States has a mental health crisis.

**Net: Agree .....72%**

**Net: Disagree.....7%**

Strongly agree ..... 42%

Somewhat agree ..... 30%

Neither agree nor disagree..... 20%

Somewhat disagree..... 4%

Strongly disagree..... 2%

Refused..... 1%

62. Elected officials seem to be motivated by selfish reasons.

**Net: Agree .....69%**

**Net: Disagree.....6%**

Strongly agree ..... 36%

Somewhat agree ..... 34%

Neither agree nor disagree..... 23%

Somewhat disagree..... 4%

Strongly disagree..... 2%

Refused..... 1%

63. Despite our challenges, I would rather live in America than any other place.

**Net: Agree .....61%**

**Net: Disagree.....16%**

Strongly agree ..... 35%

Somewhat agree ..... 26%

Neither agree nor disagree..... 22%

Somewhat disagree..... 10%

Strongly disagree..... 5%

Refused..... 1%

64. Politics has become too partisan.

**Net: Agree .....58%**  
**Net: Disagree.....6%**

Strongly agree ..... 36%  
 Somewhat agree ..... 22%  
 Neither agree nor disagree..... 34%  
 Somewhat disagree..... 4%  
 Strongly disagree..... 3%  
 Refused..... 1%

65. Politics today are no longer able to meet the challenges our country is facing.

**Net: Agree .....57%**  
**Net: Disagree.....12%**

Strongly agree ..... 24%  
 Somewhat agree ..... 32%  
 Neither agree nor disagree..... 30%  
 Somewhat disagree..... 9%  
 Strongly disagree..... 3%  
 Refused..... 1%

66. I feel like the government does not represent the America I love.

**Net: Agree .....57%**  
**Net: Disagree.....10%**

Strongly agree ..... 27%  
 Somewhat agree ..... 29%  
 Neither agree nor disagree..... 32%  
 Somewhat disagree..... 7%  
 Strongly disagree..... 3%  
 Refused..... 1%

67. I feel like I need more practical information about politics before I get involved.

**Net: Agree .....54%**  
**Net: Disagree.....14%**

Strongly agree ..... 20%  
 Somewhat agree ..... 33%  
 Neither agree nor disagree..... 31%  
 Somewhat disagree..... 7%  
 Strongly disagree..... 7%  
 Refused..... 1%

68. People like me don't have any say about what the government does.

**Net: Agree .....51%**

**Net: Disagree.....22%**

Strongly agree ..... 20%

Somewhat agree ..... 31%

Neither agree nor disagree..... 26%

Somewhat disagree..... 16%

Strongly disagree..... 6%

Refused..... 1%

69. I don't believe my vote will make a real difference.

**Net: Agree .....43%**

**Net: Disagree.....33%**

Strongly agree ..... 15%

Somewhat agree ..... 27%

Neither agree nor disagree..... 24%

Somewhat disagree..... 20%

Strongly disagree..... 12%

Refused..... 1%

70. Running for office is an honorable thing to do.

**Net: Agree .....38%**

**Net: Disagree.....18%**

Strongly agree ..... 10%

Somewhat agree ..... 28%

Neither agree nor disagree..... 43%

Somewhat disagree..... 12%

Strongly disagree..... 6%

Refused..... 1%

71. Political involvement rarely has any tangible results.

**Net: Agree .....35%**

**Net: Disagree.....25%**

Strongly agree ..... 10%

Somewhat agree ..... 26%

Neither agree nor disagree..... 38%

Somewhat disagree..... 17%

Strongly disagree..... 8%

Refused..... 1%



72. The idea of working in some form of public service is appealing to me.

**Net: Agree .....31%**

**Net: Disagree.....33%**

Strongly agree ..... 10%

Somewhat agree ..... 21%

Neither agree nor disagree..... 35%

Somewhat disagree..... 17%

Strongly disagree..... 15%

Refused..... 2%

73. Politics is not relevant to my life right now.

**Net: Agree .....28%**

**Net: Disagree.....43%**

Strongly agree ..... 11%

Somewhat agree ..... 17%

Neither agree nor disagree..... 28%

Somewhat disagree..... 23%

Strongly disagree..... 20%

Refused..... 1%

74. The results of my previous involvement in politics have left me disappointed.

**Net: Agree .....28%**

**Net: Disagree.....18%**

Strongly agree ..... 10%

Somewhat agree ..... 18%

Neither agree nor disagree..... 53%

Somewhat disagree..... 10%

Strongly disagree..... 7%

Refused..... 1%

75. I do not see a difference between the Democratic and Republican parties.

**Net: Agree .....24%**

**Net: Disagree.....53%**

Strongly agree ..... 11%

Somewhat agree ..... 13%

Neither agree nor disagree..... 21%

Somewhat disagree..... 21%

Strongly disagree..... 32%

Refused..... 1%

76. It really doesn't matter to me who the President is.

**Net: Agree .....20%**  
**Net: Disagree.....58%**

Strongly agree ..... 7%  
 Somewhat agree ..... 13%  
 Neither agree nor disagree..... 21%  
 Somewhat disagree..... 22%  
 Strongly disagree..... 36%  
 Refused..... 1%

77. **[Split Sample A]** The Democratic Party is a threat to democracy. (n=1,012)

**Net: Agree .....28%**  
**Net: Disagree.....43%**

Strongly agree ..... 15%  
 Somewhat agree ..... 12%  
 Neither agree nor disagree..... 29%  
 Somewhat disagree..... 17%  
 Strongly disagree..... 26%  
 Refused..... 0%

78. **[Split Sample B]** The Republican Party is a threat to democracy. (n=1,012)

**Net: Agree .....36%**  
**Net: Disagree.....31%**

Strongly agree ..... 19%  
 Somewhat agree ..... 17%  
 Neither agree nor disagree..... 31%  
 Somewhat disagree..... 10%  
 Strongly disagree..... 21%  
 Refused..... 2%

79. Please indicate the two areas most important in ensuring America's global strength in the future:

	<u>Net: Top 2</u>		
	<u>Most</u>	<u>Most</u>	<u>Second Most</u>
	<u>Important</u>	<u>Important</u>	<u>Important</u>
Economy	59%	33%	26%
Education	50%	28%	22%
Democracy	33%	19%	14%
Military	18%	7%	11%
Technology	21%	6%	15%
Other: Please specify	5%	3%	2%
Don't know	6%	2%	4%
Refused	8%	2%	6%

80. Overall, how satisfied are you with the current state of the American K-12 public education system?

**Net: Satisfied.....34%**

**Net: Dissatisfied.....55%**

Very satisfied ..... 6%

Somewhat satisfied..... 28%

Somewhat dissatisfied..... 28%

Very dissatisfied..... 27%

Don't know..... 10%

Refused..... 1%

81. Looking back, how satisfied are you with the K-12 education you received?

**Net: Satisfied.....57%**

**Net: Dissatisfied.....36%**

Very satisfied ..... 19%

Somewhat satisfied..... 38%

Somewhat dissatisfied..... 23%

Very dissatisfied..... 13%

Don't know..... 7%

Refused..... 0%

Do you agree or disagree with these statements? (Rank-ordered by "Net: Agree")

82. I grew up thinking it was possible for me to attend college.

**Net: Agree .....71%**

**Net: Disagree.....12%**

Strongly agree ..... 47%

Somewhat agree ..... 23%

Neither agree nor disagree..... 16%

Somewhat disagree..... 8%

Strongly disagree..... 4%

Refused..... 1%

83. K-12 public schools should teach what is morally right and wrong.

**Net: Agree .....58%**

**Net: Disagree.....13%**

Strongly agree ..... 30%

Somewhat agree ..... 28%

Neither agree nor disagree..... 28%

Somewhat disagree..... 8%

Strongly disagree..... 5%

Refused..... 1%

84. Going to college is worth the time and money.

**Net: Agree .....48%**  
**Net: Disagree.....26%**

Strongly agree ..... 18%  
 Somewhat agree ..... 31%  
 Neither agree nor disagree..... 24%  
 Somewhat disagree..... 16%  
 Strongly disagree..... 10%  
 Refused..... 1%

85. Parents should have more control over their children’s education than they do now.

**Net: Agree .....46%**  
**Net: Disagree.....23%**

Strongly agree ..... 21%  
 Somewhat agree ..... 25%  
 Neither agree nor disagree..... 31%  
 Somewhat disagree..... 13%  
 Strongly disagree..... 9%  
 Refused..... 1%

86. **[Split Sample A]** I would vote for a candidate who supports K-12 public schools teaching critical race theory. (n=1,011)

**Net: Agree .....44%**  
**Net: Disagree.....22%**

Strongly agree ..... 24%  
 Somewhat agree ..... 20%  
 Neither agree nor disagree..... 34%  
 Somewhat disagree..... 6%  
 Strongly disagree..... 16%  
 Refused..... 1%

87. **[Split Sample B]** I would vote for a candidate who supports K-12 public schools teaching that racism — intentional or not — is a fixture of American laws and institutions. (n=1,013)

**Net: Agree .....46%**  
**Net: Disagree.....22%**

Strongly agree ..... 25%  
 Somewhat agree ..... 21%  
 Neither agree nor disagree..... 31%  
 Somewhat disagree..... 8%  
 Strongly disagree..... 14%  
 Refused..... 1%

88. When it comes to college admissions, which position do you agree with most?

**[Rotate Statements]**

[Some/Other] people have said that college admissions policies, which consider race as one of many factors, have had a profound effect on job and career opportunities for minority applicants – and should be continued ..... 27%

[Other/Some] people have said that college admissions policies that consider race are discriminatory and violate students' civil right and the Constitution's guarantee of equal protection – and should be banned..... 34%

Don't know..... 38%

Refused..... 1%

Over the last two weeks, how often have you been bothered by the following problems? (Rank-ordered by "Net: At Least Several Days")

89. Feeling nervous, anxious or on edge

**Net: At Least Several Days.....62%**

Not at all..... 37%

Several days ..... 34%

More than half the days..... 16%

Nearly every day ..... 11%

Refused..... 1%

90. Trouble relaxing

**Net: At Least Several Days.....57%**

Not at all..... 42%

Several days ..... 34%

More than half the days..... 14%

Nearly every day ..... 10%

Refused..... 1%

91. Feeling down, depressed, or hopeless

**Net: At Least Several Days.....52%**

Not at all..... 47%

Several days ..... 31%

More than half the days..... 12%

Nearly every day ..... 9%

Refused..... 1%

92. Little interest or pleasure in doing things
- Net: At Least Several Days.....51%**
- Not at all..... 48%
- Several days ..... 31%
- More than half the days..... 12%
- Nearly every day ..... 8%
- Refused..... 1%
93. Feeling afraid as if something awful might happen
- Net: At Least Several Days.....46%**
- Not at all..... 53%
- Several days ..... 27%
- More than half the days..... 11%
- Nearly every day ..... 7%
- Refused..... 1%
94. Thoughts that you would be better off dead, or thoughts of hurting yourself in some way
- Net: At Least Several Days.....24%**
- Not at all..... 75%
- Several days ..... 14%
- More than half the days..... 6%
- Nearly every day ..... 4%
- Refused..... 1%

**[If Q89, Q90, Q91, Q92, Q93, or Q94 is "several days" or more, Ask Q95]**

95. Do you have support or resources that help you deal with these problems?
- Yes..... 66%
- No..... 24%
- Don't know..... 10%
- Refused..... 0%
96. If you were being bothered by feeling down, depressed, or hopeless, which of the following would be a resource that you would want to use? Please check all that apply.
- Dialogue or support provided by family, friends,  
or community ..... 48%
- Time outside..... 47%
- Sports or exercise ..... 43%
- Professional therapy ..... 32%
- Meditation ..... 27%
- Church or religion ..... 22%
- Prescription medication..... 18%
- Alcohol, recreational drugs (self-medication)..... 13%
- Dialogue or support provided by authority figures at  
school or workplace ..... 7%
- Other: Please specify ..... 6%

97. Have you ever visited a therapist or medical professional for mental health?

Yes..... 39%  
 No..... 57%  
 Don't know..... 3%  
 Refused..... 1%

98. Do you know of a peer or family member who has committed suicide?

Yes..... 26%  
 No..... 69%  
 Don't know..... 4%  
 Refused..... 0%

Overall, what effects have the following had on your mental health? (Rank-ordered by "Net: Positive)

99. Experience at work

**Net: Positive .....45%**  
**Net: Negative.....21%**

Very positive ..... 16%  
 Somewhat positive ..... 29%  
 No effect..... 33%  
 Somewhat negative ..... 16%  
 Very negative ..... 5%  
 Refused..... 1%

100. Experience as a high school student

**Net: Positive .....42%**  
**Net: Negative.....34%**

Very positive ..... 15%  
 Somewhat positive ..... 27%  
 No effect..... 23%  
 Somewhat negative ..... 24%  
 Very negative ..... 10%  
 Refused..... 1%

101. Social media

**Net: Positive .....22%**  
**Net: Negative.....38%**

Very positive ..... 7%  
 Somewhat positive ..... 15%  
 No effect..... 39%  
 Somewhat negative ..... 27%  
 Very negative ..... 10%  
 Refused..... 1%

## 102. Politics and current events

**Net: Positive** .....13%**Net: Negative**.....46%

Very positive ..... 4%

Somewhat positive ..... 9%

No effect..... 40%

Somewhat negative ..... 32%

Very negative ..... 13%

Refused..... 1%

## 103. The news media

**Net: Positive** .....12%**Net: Negative**.....46%

Very positive ..... 4%

Somewhat positive ..... 7%

No effect..... 42%

Somewhat negative ..... 30%

Very negative ..... 16%

Refused..... 1%

How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements? (Rank-ordered by "Net: Agree")

## 104. I am concerned about the moral direction of the country.

**Net: Agree** .....64%**Net: Disagree**.....10%

Strongly agree ..... 32%

Somewhat agree ..... 32%

Neither agree nor disagree..... 25%

Somewhat disagree..... 6%

Strongly disagree..... 4%

Refused..... 1%

## 105. Basic health insurance is a right for all people, and if someone has no means of paying for it, the government should provide it.

**Net: Agree** .....64%**Net: Disagree**.....12%

Strongly agree ..... 42%

Somewhat agree ..... 22%

Neither agree nor disagree..... 22%

Somewhat disagree..... 7%

Strongly disagree..... 5%

Refused..... 1%



106. Basic necessities, such as food and shelter, are a right that government should provide to those unable to afford them.

**Net: Agree .....63%**  
**Net: Disagree.....14%**

Strongly agree ..... 37%  
 Somewhat agree ..... 26%  
 Neither agree nor disagree..... 22%  
 Somewhat disagree..... 9%  
 Strongly disagree..... 5%  
 Refused..... 1%

107. The government should spend more to reduce poverty.

**Net: Agree .....57%**  
**Net: Disagree.....15%**

Strongly agree ..... 30%  
 Somewhat agree ..... 27%  
 Neither agree nor disagree..... 27%  
 Somewhat disagree..... 8%  
 Strongly disagree..... 7%  
 Refused..... 1%

108. Government should do more to curb climate change, even at the expense of economic growth.

**Net: Agree .....52%**  
**Net: Disagree.....18%**

Strongly agree ..... 29%  
 Somewhat agree ..... 23%  
 Neither agree nor disagree..... 28%  
 Somewhat disagree..... 8%  
 Strongly disagree..... 10%  
 Refused..... 1%

109. If parents had more freedom to choose where they could send their children to school, the education system in this country would be better.

**Net: Agree .....43%**  
**Net: Disagree.....21%**

Strongly agree ..... 18%  
 Somewhat agree ..... 25%  
 Neither agree nor disagree..... 35%  
 Somewhat disagree..... 14%  
 Strongly disagree..... 7%  
 Refused..... 1%

110. Cutting taxes is an effective way to increase economic growth.

**Net: Agree .....39%**

**Net: Disagree.....20%**

Strongly agree ..... 16%

Somewhat agree ..... 23%

Neither agree nor disagree..... 40%

Somewhat disagree..... 13%

Strongly disagree..... 7%

Refused..... 1%

111. Recent immigration into this country has done more good than harm.

**Net: Agree .....38%**

**Net: Disagree.....26%**

Strongly agree ..... 18%

Somewhat agree ..... 20%

Neither agree nor disagree..... 35%

Somewhat disagree..... 13%

Strongly disagree..... 13%

Refused..... 1%

112. Government spending is an effective way to increase economic growth.

**Net: Agree .....34%**

**Net: Disagree.....23%**

Strongly agree ..... 12%

Somewhat agree ..... 22%

Neither agree nor disagree..... 41%

Somewhat disagree..... 12%

Strongly disagree..... 11%

Refused..... 1%

113. Our country's goal in trade policy should be to eliminate all barriers to trade and employment so that we have a truly global economy.

**Net: Agree .....33%**

**Net: Disagree.....19%**

Strongly agree ..... 13%

Somewhat agree ..... 21%

Neither agree nor disagree..... 46%

Somewhat disagree..... 14%

Strongly disagree..... 5%

Refused..... 1%

114. Qualified minorities should be given special preferences in hiring and education.

**Net: Agree .....31%**

**Net: Disagree.....32%**

Strongly agree ..... 11%

Somewhat agree ..... 19%

Neither agree nor disagree..... 36%

Somewhat disagree..... 15%

Strongly disagree..... 18%

Refused..... 1%

115. Religious values should play a more important role in government.

**Net: Agree .....26%**

**Net: Disagree.....45%**

Strongly agree ..... 11%

Somewhat agree ..... 15%

Neither agree nor disagree..... 28%

Somewhat disagree..... 11%

Strongly disagree..... 34%

Refused..... 1%

116. In today's world, it is sometimes necessary to attack potentially hostile countries or groups, rather than waiting until we are attacked to respond.

**Net: Agree .....24%**

**Net: Disagree.....34%**

Strongly agree ..... 8%

Somewhat agree ..... 16%

Neither agree nor disagree..... 41%

Somewhat disagree..... 18%

Strongly disagree..... 16%

Refused..... 1%

117. Same sex relationships are morally wrong.

**Net: Agree .....23%**

**Net: Disagree.....52%**

Strongly agree ..... 15%

Somewhat agree ..... 8%

Neither agree nor disagree..... 24%

Somewhat disagree..... 8%

Strongly disagree..... 44%

Refused..... 1%

118. When it comes to student loan debt, which statement comes closest to your view?

The government should cancel student loan debt for everyone.....	38%
The government should cancel student loan debt only for those most in need. ....	21%
The government should not cancel student loan debt, but help with repayment options. ....	27%
The government should not change student loan policy .....	13%
Refused.....	2%

119. How would you rate your personal financial situation these days? .

<b>Net: Good .....</b>	<b>73%</b>
<b>Net: Bad.....</b>	<b>26%</b>
Very good.....	18%
Fairly good .....	55%
Fairly bad .....	19%
Very bad .....	7%
Refused.....	1%

120. How much, if at all, have your personal finances been affected by rising prices and inflation?

<b>Net: A Lot or Some .....</b>	<b>74%</b>
<b>Net: Not Much or Not At All.....</b>	<b>25%</b>
A lot.....	30%
Some.....	44%
Not much .....	17%
Not at all.....	8%
Refused.....	1%

121. In general, when I am my parent's age, I believe that I will be...

Better off financially than they are now.....	36%
About the same as they are now.....	28%
Worse off financially than they are now .....	20%
Not sure .....	15%
Refused.....	1%

122. What type of high school did you most recently attend?

Public.....	76%
Private .....	9%
Parochial.....	3%
Charter.....	3%
Home school.....	5%
Other.....	3%
Refused.....	1%

**[If enrolled in a 4-year college/university, ask Q123]**

123. Based on the current state of the economy, how easy or difficult do you think it will be for students in your class to find a permanent job upon graduation? (n=323)

**Net: Easy .....57%**

**Net: Difficult .....43%**

Very easy..... 13%

Somewhat easy..... 43%

Somewhat difficult..... 33%

Very difficult..... 10%

Refused..... 1%

Now we will ask you some general questions.

124. Which one of these best describes your religious preference?

Catholic ..... 18%

Fundamentalist/Evangelical Christian ..... 13%

Jewish..... 3%

LDS/Mormon ..... 3%

Muslim ..... 1%

Protestant..... 8%

Another religion ..... 8%

No religious preference ..... 34%

Not sure ..... 5%

Decline to answer..... 7%

Refused..... 1%

**[If Christian, Fundamentalist/Evangelical Christian, LDS/Mormon, Protestant, Jewish, Muslim, another religion, or not sure, ask Q125]**

125. How important is religion in your own life? (n=1,237)

Very important ..... 42%

Somewhat important ..... 35%

Not very important ..... 19%

Not sure ..... 4%

Refused..... 0%

**[If Christian, Fundamentalist/Evangelical Christian, LDS/Mormon, Protestant, another religion, or not sure, ask Q126]**

126. Do you consider yourself a born-again Christian? (n=1,138)

Yes..... 35%

No..... 49%

Not sure ..... 14%

Decline to answer..... 2%

Refused..... 0%

127. Which of the following do you consider yourself to be?

Heterosexual or straight .....	75%
Gay .....	3%
Lesbian .....	2%
Bisexual.....	9%
Other Queer identity (e.g. pansexual, asexual etc.).....	5%
None of the above .....	1%
I don't know .....	1%
Prefer not to say .....	3%
Refused.....	1%

128. Do you consider yourself to be transgender or non-binary?

Yes.....	4%
No.....	93%
Prefer not to say .....	2%
Refused.....	1%

**[If transgender or non-binary, ask Q129]**

129. Are you: (n=99)

Transgender, male to female .....	5%
Transgender, female to male .....	14%
Gender non-binary .....	63%
No, not transgender or non-binary .....	12%
Prefer not to say .....	6%
Refused.....	0%

**[If enrolled in a 4-year college/university, ask Q130 & Q131]**

130. Is your college/university...? (n=323)

Public.....	77%
Private .....	22%
Refused.....	1%

131. Is the college/university that you currently attend...? (n=323)

In an urban or city area.....	51%
In a suburban area next to a city.....	29%
In a small town or rural area.....	18%
Refused.....	1%

132. Which of the following best describes the area in which you live (if in college, when not in school)?

Suburban .....	48%
Urban.....	27%
Rural.....	14%
Small town .....	11%
Refused.....	1%

**[If enrolled in a 4-year college/university, ask Q133-Q136]**

133. Which college/university do you attend?

[LIST AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST]

134. How many undergraduate students are enrolled in your college/university? Your best estimate is fine. (n=323)

Less than 1,000.....	4%
1,000 - 4,999 .....	18%
5,000 – 9,999.....	24%
10,000 – 19,999.....	25%
20,000 or more .....	28%
Refused.....	1%

135. Where do you live while attending college? (n=323)

In an on-campus dormitory .....	21%
In fraternity/sorority housing .....	4%
In a campus-owned apartment.....	10%
In an apartment/house that is not campus-owned (not with parents) .....	29%
At home, with my parents .....	34%
Somewhere else.....	2%
Refused.....	1%

136. Are you a ...? (n=323)

Full-time student .....	84%
Part-time student .....	15%
Refused.....	1%

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

Student.....	20%
Employed full time.....	44%
Employed part time .....	13%
Self-employed .....	5%
Not employed / Homemaker .....	4%
Not employed .....	13%
Refused.....	1%

138.	Age	
	18-24 .....	56%
	25-29 .....	44%
139.	Race / Ethnicity	
	White, Non-Hispanic.....	53%
	Hispanic.....	23%
	Black, Non-Hispanic .....	14%
	Other, Non-Hispanic .....	7%
	2+ Races, Non-Hispanic.....	3%
140.	Detailed Race	
	White .....	72%
	Black or African American .....	15%
	Asian .....	6%
	American Indian or Alaska Native.....	1%
	Some other race.....	5%
141.	Gender	
	Male.....	50%
	Female .....	49%
	Non-binary .....	1%
142.	Which best describes where you live? (n=1,024)	
	A one-family house detached from any other house.....	67%
	One-family condo or townhouse attached to other units.....	12%
	Building with 2 or more apartments.....	19%
	Other (mobile home, boat, RV, van, etc.) .....	3%
143.	Household Income	
	Less than \$10,000.....	5%
	\$10,000 to \$24,999.....	5%
	\$25,000 to \$49,999.....	17%
	\$50,000 to \$74,999.....	18%
	\$75,000 to \$99,999.....	14%
	\$100,000 to \$149,999.....	19%
	\$150,000 or more .....	21%
144.	Marital Status	
	Never married.....	81%
	Married.....	17%
	Widowed .....	1%
	Divorced.....	1%
	Separated .....	1%



145.	Are your living quarters... (n=1,024)	
	Owned or being bought by you or someone in your household.....	63%
	Rented for cash.....	35%
	Occupied without payment of cash rent.....	2%
146.	Region 4 (Based on state of residence)	
	Northeast .....	17%
	Midwest.....	21%
	South .....	38%
	West.....	25%
147.	Region 9 (Based on state of residence)	
	New England.....	4%
	Mid-Atlantic .....	13%
	East-North Central .....	13%
	West-North Central .....	7%
	South Atlantic.....	21%
	East-South Central .....	5%
	West-South Central .....	12%
	Mountain .....	9%
	Pacific.....	16%
148.	MSA Status	
	Non-Metro.....	11%
	Metro.....	89%

### Methodology

This poll of 2,024 18-to-29-year-olds was organized with undergraduate students from the Harvard Public Opinion Project (HPOP) and supervised by John Della Volpe, IOP Director of Polling. Data were collected by Ipsos Public Affairs using the KnowledgePanel Calibration approach. In this approach, the calibrating sample was provided by the KnowledgePanel probability-based sample source (n=1,024), while the sample to be calibrated was provided by non-probability, opt-in web panel sample sources (n=1,000). Interviews were conducted in English and Spanish between March 15 and 30, 2022. The target population for this survey is US residents between the ages of 18 and 29. Data are weighted to reflect population estimates based on age-group, race, Hispanic ethnicity, educational attainment, household income, urbanicity, and geographic region of residence. The margin of error for the total sample is +/- 2.89%.

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