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Survey of Young Americans' Attitudes toward Politics and Public Service
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N=2,513 18- to- 29-Year-Olds in English and Spanish
Margin of Error: +/-2.60% at the 95% Level

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

High school	7%
Trade/Vocational school	2%
2-year or junior college or community college	9%
4-year college/university	21%
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.....	54%
Refused.....	*

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

2. In which year of college are you? (n=511)

First year student/Freshman	17%
Second year student/Sophomore	18%
Third year student/Junior	25%
Fourth year student/Senior	31%
Fifth year student or higher	7%
Refused.....	1%

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

Yes.....	77%
No.....	20%
Don't know.....	4%
Refused.....	*

[If respondent was over 18 on November 3rd, 2020, ask]

4. Which of the following statements best describes your voter registration status for the last presidential election held on November 3rd, 2020? (n=2,471)

I was registered	75%
I thought about registering, but didn't.....	5%
I tried to register, but was unable to	2%
I was not registered to vote on November 3, 2020	12%
Not sure	6%
Refused.....	*

5. Which of the following statements best describes your voting in the last presidential election held on November 3rd, 2020? (n=2,471)

Net: Voted	70%
I voted at a polling place	26%
I voted early.....	12%
I voted by mail / absentee ballot	32%
I planned on voting but wasn't able to	4%
I did not vote in this election.....	25%
I went to the polling place but wasn't allowed to vote	1%
Refused.....	*

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

Net: Democratic Party	41%
Strong Democrat	22%
Not a very strong Democrat	19%
Net: Republican Party	22%
Strong Republican.....	11%
Not a very strong Republican.....	10%
Net: Independent/Unaffiliated	37%
Leans Democrat	11%
Leans Republican	6%
Does not lean towards either party.....	20%
Refused.....	1%

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

Liberal	31%
Moderate leaning liberal	9%
Moderate	31%
Moderate leaning conservative	7%
Conservative.....	20%
Refused.....	2%

[If voted in 2020, ask. Rotate candidates]

8. For whom did you vote for president in 2020? (n=1,745)

Joe Biden.....	62%
Donald Trump	26%
Someone else.....	6%
Don't remember	1%
Decline to answer.....	5%
Refused.....	-

9. How likely is it that you will vote in the midterm elections for Congress in November 2022?

Definitely will be voting	41%
Probably will be voting	19%
50-50	20%
Probably won't be voting	11%
Definitely won't be voting	9%
Refused.....	*

10. Do you consider yourself to be politically engaged or politically active?

Yes.....	36%
No.....	64%
Refused.....	1%

11. All in all, do you think that things in the nation are ...?

Generally headed in the right direction.....	26%
Off on the wrong track.....	35%
Not sure what direction the country is headed in.....	38%
Refused.....	1%

12. Thinking about national issues for a moment, which issue concerns you the most?

Coronavirus disease (COVID-19).....	20%
Net: Economy	16%
Economy (General)	10%
Economic equality/inequality/Wages/Poverty	2%
Jobs.....	2%
Taxes	1%
Financial stability	1%
National Debt/budget deficit	1%
Racial Issues.....	7%
Environment, the.....	6%
Health care	6%
Illegal Immigrants /Immigration	4%
Equality/Equal rights (unspecified).....	2%
President Joe Biden/lack of political leadership	1%
Lack of unity/Division	1%
Government/political corruption.....	1%
Abortion	1%
Education.....	1%
Civil rights/liberties.....	1%
Social issues/justice/rights	1%
Gun control/Second amendment rights.....	1%
Money issues	1%
Gas prices/taxes.....	1%
Police/police brutality	1%
Women's rights.....	1%
Housing	1%
Other.....	16%
None	3%
Don't know/refused.....	7%

In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job performance of:

[Randomize Q13-Q15, rank ordered by “Approve” percentage]

13. Joe Biden as president

Approve.....	59%
Disapprove	38%
Refused.....	3%

14. The Democrats in Congress

Approve.....	52%
Disapprove	45%
Refused.....	3%

15. The Republicans in Congress

Approve.....	28%
Disapprove	69%
Refused.....	3%

Now thinking specifically about Joe Biden, do you approve or disapprove of the way he is handling:

[Randomize Q16-Q23, rank ordered by “Approve” percentage]

16. Coronavirus

Approve.....	65%
Disapprove	32%
Refused.....	2%

17. Climate change

Approve.....	58%
Disapprove	39%
Refused.....	3%

18. Education

Approve.....	58%
Disapprove	39%
Refused.....	3%

19. Race relations

Approve.....	57%
Disapprove	41%
Refused.....	3%

20. Health care

Approve.....	56%
Disapprove	41%
Refused.....	3%

21. Mental health

Approve.....	55%
Disapprove	42%
Refused.....	4%

22. The economy

Approve.....	53%
Disapprove	44%
Refused.....	3%

23. National security

Approve.....	52%
Disapprove	45%
Refused.....	3%

Do you have a favorable or unfavorable view of the following individuals?

24. Donald Trump

Net: Favorable	28%
Very favorable.....	13%
Somewhat favorable.....	15%
Net: Unfavorable	65%
Somewhat unfavorable.....	12%
Very unfavorable.....	53%
Don't have enough information to rate	5%
Never heard of.....	2%
Refused.....	1%

25. Joe Biden

Net: Favorable	54%
Very favorable.....	18%
Somewhat favorable.....	36%
Net: Unfavorable	37%
Somewhat unfavorable.....	17%
Very unfavorable.....	20%
Don't have enough information to rate	7%
Never heard of.....	1%
Refused.....	1%

26. Bernie Sanders

Net: Favorable	51%
Very favorable.....	25%
Somewhat favorable.....	26%
Net: Unfavorable	32%
Somewhat unfavorable.....	13%
Very unfavorable.....	19%
Don't have enough information to rate	14%
Never heard of.....	2%
Refused.....	1%

27. Kamala Harris
- | | |
|---|------------|
| Net: Favorable | 45% |
| Very favorable..... | 18% |
| Somewhat favorable..... | 27% |
| Net: Unfavorable | 37% |
| Somewhat unfavorable..... | 13% |
| Very unfavorable..... | 23% |
| Don't have enough information to rate | 15% |
| Never heard of..... | 3% |
| Refused..... | 1% |
28. What grade would you give President Joe Biden as he nears his first 100 days in office?
- | | |
|--------------|-----|
| A..... | 21% |
| B..... | 34% |
| C..... | 21% |
| D..... | 8% |
| F..... | 15% |
| Refused..... | 1% |
29. As a result of President Biden's administration, I expect my life will be:
- | | |
|-------------------|-----|
| Better..... | 40% |
| Worse..... | 19% |
| No different..... | 25% |
| Not sure..... | 16% |
| Refused..... | 1% |
30. Relative to the Trump administration, are you holding the Biden administration to higher, lower, or the same overall standards?
- | | |
|---------------|-----|
| Higher..... | 45% |
| Lower..... | 10% |
| Same..... | 33% |
| Not sure..... | 11% |
| Refused..... | 1% |

[If Republican Party, ask. Rotate "the Republican Party" and "Donald Trump"]

31. If you had to choose, do you consider yourself a supporter of [the Republican Party] or a supporter of [Donald Trump]? (n=564)
- | | |
|------------------------------------|-----|
| Supporter of Republican Party..... | 42% |
| Supporter of Donald Trump..... | 25% |
| Supporter of both..... | 24% |
| Supporter of neither..... | 8% |
| Refused..... | 1% |

32. How do you think history should evaluate former president Donald Trump?

Net: Best/Great/Good.....	26%
Best president ever	5%
A great president	9%
A good president	12%
An average president	11%
Net: Bad/Terrible/Worst	54%
A bad president	9%
A terrible president.....	15%
Worst president ever	30%
Don't know.....	8%
Refused.....	1%

33. Regarding the recent election for president, which of the following statements do you agree with the most?

Joe Biden won the election fairly.....	68%
There were enough problems with the election to question whether Joe Biden won.....	25%
Donald Trump won the election.....	7%
Refused.....	1%

34. How responsible, if at all, do you believe former president Donald Trump is for inciting the breach and storming of the Capitol on January 6th, 2021?

Fully	37%
Partially	30%
Not at all.....	22%
Don't know.....	11%
Refused.....	1%

35. In January 2021, President Donald Trump was impeached by the U.S. House and in February 2021 he was acquitted in the impeachment trial by the U.S. Senate. Which of these statements is most closest to your own view?

Donald Trump should not have been impeached.....	25%
Donald Trump should have been impeached but not convicted.....	8%
Donald Trump should have been convicted and barred from holding future office.....	51%
Don't know.....	15%
Refused.....	1%

On which of the following, if any, do you regularly access for news and current events related content?

[Randomize Q36-Q46, rank ordered by “Yes” percentage]

36.	Local TV news	
	Yes.....	33%
	No.....	67%
37.	Facebook	
	Yes.....	30%
	No.....	70%
38.	CNN	
	Yes.....	27%
	No.....	73%
39.	Instagram	
	Yes.....	27%
	No.....	73%
40.	Twitter	
	Yes.....	22%
	No.....	78%
41.	Fox News	
	Yes.....	18%
	No.....	82%
42.	TikTok	
	Yes.....	16%
	No.....	84%
43.	Snapchat	
	Yes.....	15%
	No.....	85%
44.	MSNBC	
	Yes.....	13%
	No.....	87%

45. Podcasts
- | | |
|----------|-----|
| Yes..... | 12% |
| No..... | 88% |
46. Parler
- | | |
|----------|-----|
| Yes..... | 2% |
| No..... | 98% |
47. None of the above
- | | |
|----------|-----|
| Yes..... | 24% |
| No..... | 76% |
48. At this moment, would you say that you are more hopeful or fearful about the future of America?
- | | |
|---------------|-----|
| Hopeful..... | 56% |
| Fearful | 43% |
| Refused..... | 1% |
49. Compared to ordinary citizens, what standard should political leaders be held to on social media?
- | | |
|-------------------|-----|
| More strict | 58% |
| Less strict | 6% |
| Same | 23% |
| Don't know..... | 12% |
| Refused..... | 1% |
50. In your view, was Twitter's decision to permanently ban former President Donald Trump from its platform necessary or unnecessary?
- | | |
|-------------------|-----|
| Necessary | 52% |
| Unnecessary | 31% |
| Don't know..... | 16% |
| Refused..... | 1% |

Do you agree or disagree with these statements?

[Randomize Q51-Q66, rank ordered by “Net: Agree” percentage]

51. We need more open-mindedness in politics.

Net: Agree	76%
Strongly agree	45%
Somewhat agree	31%
Neither agree nor disagree	18%
Net: Disagree.....	4%
Somewhat disagree.....	2%
Strongly disagree.....	2%
Refused.....	1%

52. SPLIT SAMPLE A: Social media companies should remove misleading claims on their platforms. (n=1,249)

Net: Agree	68%
Strongly agree	44%
Somewhat agree	24%
Neither agree nor disagree	20%
Net: Disagree.....	11%
Somewhat disagree.....	6%
Strongly disagree.....	5%
Refused.....	1%

53. SPLIT SAMPLE B: Social media companies should label misleading claims on their platforms. (n=1,264)

Net: Agree	63%
Strongly agree	42%
Somewhat agree	22%
Neither agree nor disagree	20%
Net: Disagree.....	15%
Somewhat disagree.....	7%
Strongly disagree.....	8%
Refused.....	2%

54. I am worried America will not be able to overcome its current divisions.

Net: Agree	61%
Strongly agree	23%
Somewhat agree	38%
Neither agree nor disagree	24%
Net: Disagree.....	14%
Somewhat disagree.....	10%
Strongly disagree.....	4%
Refused.....	1%

55. The Republican Party is too extreme.

Net: Agree	53%
Strongly agree	27%
Somewhat agree	27%
Neither agree nor disagree	32%
Net: Disagree	14%
Somewhat disagree.....	8%
Strongly disagree.....	6%
Refused.....	1%

56. Americans with different political views from me still want what’s best for the country.

Net: Agree	50%
Strongly agree	16%
Somewhat agree	34%
Neither agree nor disagree	31%
Net: Disagree	18%
Somewhat disagree.....	13%
Strongly disagree.....	5%
Refused.....	2%

57. Most of my friends have the same political views as me.

Net: Agree	49%
Strongly agree	17%
Somewhat agree	33%
Neither agree nor disagree	33%
Net: Disagree	16%
Somewhat disagree.....	12%
Strongly disagree.....	4%
Refused.....	2%

58. I feel included in Biden’s America.

Net: Agree	46%
Strongly agree	21%
Somewhat agree	26%
Neither agree nor disagree	28%
Net: Disagree	24%
Somewhat disagree.....	10%
Strongly disagree.....	14%
Refused.....	1%

59. Joe Biden can unite the country.

Net: Agree	42%
Strongly agree	15%
Somewhat agree	27%
Neither agree nor disagree	27%
Net: Disagree	30%
Somewhat disagree.....	13%
Strongly disagree.....	18%
Refused.....	1%

60. I am more politically informed than the average American.

Net: Agree	38%
Strongly agree	15%
Somewhat agree	23%
Neither agree nor disagree	35%
Net: Disagree	25%
Somewhat disagree.....	15%
Strongly disagree.....	10%
Refused.....	2%

61. The Democratic Party is too extreme.

Net: Agree	36%
Strongly agree	17%
Somewhat agree	18%
Neither agree nor disagree	32%
Net: Disagree	31%
Somewhat disagree.....	15%
Strongly disagree.....	17%
Refused.....	1%

62. SPLIT SAMPLE A: The 2020 election sparked my interest in politics. (n=1,262)

Net: Agree	35%
Strongly agree	12%
Somewhat agree	23%
Neither agree nor disagree	31%
Net: Disagree	32%
Somewhat disagree.....	14%
Strongly disagree.....	18%
Refused.....	1%

63. SPLIT SAMPLE B: The Trump presidency sparked my interest in politics. (n=1,251)

Net: Agree	33%
Strongly agree	12%
Somewhat agree	21%
Neither agree nor disagree	24%
Net: Disagree	41%
Somewhat disagree.....	16%
Strongly disagree.....	25%
Refused.....	2%

64. I will have the same opportunities and job prospects as my parents' generation.

Net: Agree	28%
Strongly agree	9%
Somewhat agree	19%
Neither agree nor disagree	29%
Net: Disagree	41%
Somewhat disagree.....	24%
Strongly disagree.....	17%
Refused.....	1%

65. I feel included in Trump's America.

Net: Agree	27%
Strongly agree	12%
Somewhat agree	14%
Neither agree nor disagree	24%
Net: Disagree	48%
Somewhat disagree.....	14%
Strongly disagree.....	34%
Refused.....	1%

66. I want Donald Trump to play a key role in the future of Republican politics.

Net: Agree	22%
Strongly agree	11%
Somewhat agree	11%
Neither agree nor disagree	19%
Net: Disagree	58%
Somewhat disagree.....	10%
Strongly disagree.....	48%
Refused.....	1%

Thinking about social media generally, has it had a more positive or more negative impact on:

[Randomize Q67-Q69, rank ordered by “Net: Positive” percentage]

67. Your ability to express your political voice
- | | |
|------------------------------|------------|
| Net: Positive | 33% |
| Much more positive..... | 12% |
| Somewhat more positive | 21% |
| Neutral..... | 46% |
| Net: Negative | 20% |
| Somewhat more negative | 9% |
| Much more negative..... | 11% |
| Refused..... | 1% |
68. American democracy
- | | |
|------------------------------|------------|
| Net: Positive | 24% |
| Much more positive..... | 8% |
| Somewhat more positive | 16% |
| Neutral..... | 40% |
| Net: Negative | 35% |
| Somewhat more negative | 19% |
| Much more negative..... | 16% |
| Refused..... | 1% |
69. Your mental health
- | | |
|------------------------------|------------|
| Net: Positive | 22% |
| Much more positive..... | 9% |
| Somewhat more positive | 13% |
| Neutral..... | 43% |
| Net: Negative | 35% |
| Somewhat more negative | 23% |
| Much more negative..... | 12% |
| Refused..... | 1% |
70. Has politics ever gotten in the way of a friendship before?
- | | |
|--------------|-----|
| Yes..... | 31% |
| No..... | 68% |
| Refused..... | 1% |

Please indicate how the following issues might impact your friendship with someone.

[Randomize Q71-Q81, rank ordered by “I could be friends...” percentage]

71. Economic policy

I could be friends with someone who
disagrees with me on this issue 85%
I could **not** be friends with someone who
disagrees with me on this issue 13%
Refused..... 2%

72. Choosing not to vote

I could be friends with someone who
disagrees with me on this issue 85%
I could **not** be friends with someone who
disagrees with me on this issue 13%
Refused..... 2%

73. Supporting Joe Biden

I could be friends with someone who
disagrees with me on this issue 84%
I could **not** be friends with someone who
disagrees with me on this issue 14%
Refused..... 2%

74. Health care

I could be friends with someone who
disagrees with me on this issue 82%
I could **not** be friends with someone who
disagrees with me on this issue 16%
Refused..... 2%

75. Guns

I could be friends with someone who
disagrees with me on this issue 79%
I could **not** be friends with someone who
disagrees with me on this issue 19%
Refused..... 2%

76. Climate Change

I could be friends with someone who
disagrees with me on this issue 73%

I could **not** be friends with someone who
disagrees with me on this issue 26%

Refused..... 2%

77. Abortion

I could be friends with someone who
disagrees with me on this issue 72%

I could **not** be friends with someone who
disagrees with me on this issue 26%

Refused..... 2%

78. Police Reform

I could be friends with someone who
disagrees with me on this issue 72%

I could **not** be friends with someone who
disagrees with me on this issue 27%

Refused..... 2%

79. Immigration

I could be friends with someone who
disagrees with me on this issue 68%

I could **not** be friends with someone who
disagrees with me on this issue 30%

Refused..... 2%

80. Supporting Donald Trump

I could be friends with someone who
disagrees with me on this issue 65%

I could **not** be friends with someone who
disagrees with me on this issue 34%

Refused..... 2%

81. Race relations

I could be friends with someone who
disagrees with me on this issue 54%

I could **not** be friends with someone who
disagrees with me on this issue 44%

Refused..... 2%

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

82. Volunteered for community service

Yes..... 31%
 No..... 67%
 Refused..... 1%

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

Yes..... 13%
 No..... 86%
 Refused..... 1%

Have you ever done any of the following?

[Randomize Q84-Q87, rank ordered by “Yes” percentage]

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

Yes..... 30%
 No..... 69%
 Refused..... 1%

85. Attended a political rally or demonstration

Yes..... 19%
 No..... 80%
 Refused..... 1%

86. Donated money to a political campaign or cause

Yes..... 19%
 No..... 80%
 Refused..... 1%

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

Yes..... 11%
 No..... 88%
 Refused..... 1%

How often do you trust each of them to do the right thing?

[Randomize Q88-Q103, rank ordered by “All or Most of the Time” percentage]

[If enrolled in 4-year college/university, ask Q88]

88. Your college or university administration (n=511)

Net: All or Most of the Time58%
 All of the time 13%
 Most of the time 45%
Net: Some of the Time or Never.....41%
 Some of the time 33%
 Never 8%
 Refused..... 1%

89. The United States military

Net: All or Most of the Time49%
 All of the time 16%
 Most of the time 33%
Net: Some of the Time or Never.....50%
 Some of the time 34%
 Never 15%
 Refused..... 1%

90. The Supreme Court

Net: All or Most of the Time47%
 All of the time 11%
 Most of the time 37%
Net: Some of the Time or Never.....51%
 Some of the time 38%
 Never 13%
 Refused..... 1%

91. The United Nations

Net: All or Most of the Time45%
 All of the time 10%
 Most of the time 35%
Net: Some of the Time or Never.....54%
 Some of the time 36%
 Never 17%
 Refused..... 1%

92. Police

Net: All or Most of the Time	45%
All of the time	10%
Most of the time	35%
Net: Some of the Time or Never	53%
Some of the time	37%
Never	16%
Refused.....	2%

93. Your local government

Net: All or Most of the Time	42%
All of the time	8%
Most of the time	35%
Net: Some of the Time or Never	56%
Some of the time	42%
Never	14%
Refused.....	2%

94. Your state government

Net: All or Most of the Time	39%
All of the time	8%
Most of the time	32%
Net: Some of the Time or Never	59%
Some of the time	43%
Never	16%
Refused.....	2%

95. Google

Net: All or Most of the Time	39%
All of the time	10%
Most of the time	28%
Net: Some of the Time or Never	60%
Some of the time	41%
Never	18%
Refused.....	2%

96. The President

Net: All or Most of the Time	38%
All of the time	10%
Most of the time	28%
Net: Some of the Time or Never	61%
Some of the time	45%
Never	16%
Refused.....	2%

97. Amazon

Net: All or Most of the Time	36%
All of the time	10%
Most of the time	26%
Net: Some of the Time or Never	62%
Some of the time	37%
Never	25%
Refused.....	2%

98. The federal government

Net: All or Most of the Time	32%
All of the time	6%
Most of the time	26%
Net: Some of the Time or Never	66%
Some of the time	47%
Never	19%
Refused.....	1%

99. The Congress

Net: All or Most of the Time	29%
All of the time	7%
Most of the time	22%
Net: Some of the Time or Never	70%
Some of the time	51%
Never	19%
Refused.....	2%

100. The media

Net: All or Most of the Time	22%
All of the time	5%
Most of the time	17%
Net: Some of the Time or Never	76%
Some of the time	44%
Never	32%
Refused.....	2%

101. Twitter

Net: All or Most of the Time	21%
All of the time	5%
Most of the time	15%
Net: Some of the Time or Never	78%
Some of the time	43%
Never	35%
Refused.....	2%

102. Wall Street

Net: All or Most of the Time	20%
All of the time	5%
Most of the time	15%
Net: Some of the Time or Never	78%
Some of the time	40%
Never	38%
Refused.....	2%

103. Facebook

Net: All or Most of the Time	19%
All of the time	6%
Most of the time	14%
Net: Some of the Time or Never	79%
Some of the time	39%
Never	39%
Refused.....	2%

104. How much, if at all, should the U.S. government regulate big tech companies?

Net: More than Now	48%
A lot more than it does now	22%
A little more than it does now	25%
About the same as it does now	21%
Net: Less than Now	8%
A little less than it does now	5%
A lot less than it does now	3%
No opinion/don't know	21%
Refused.....	2%

Do you agree or disagree with these statements?

[Randomize Q105-Q120, rank ordered by “Net: Agree” percentage]

105. Community service is an honorable thing to do.

Net: Agree	78%
Strongly agree	48%
Somewhat agree	30%
Neither agree nor disagree	16%
Net: Disagree	4%
Somewhat disagree.....	3%
Strongly disagree.....	1%
Refused.....	2%

106. I want to do what I can to help unite, not further divide, America.

Net: Agree	69%
Strongly agree	38%
Somewhat agree	32%
Neither agree nor disagree	23%
Net: Disagree	6%
Somewhat disagree.....	4%
Strongly disagree.....	2%
Refused.....	2%

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

Net: Agree	68%
Strongly agree	32%
Somewhat agree	36%
Neither agree nor disagree	24%
Net: Disagree	7%
Somewhat disagree.....	5%
Strongly disagree.....	2%
Refused.....	1%

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

Net: Agree	57%
Strongly agree	33%
Somewhat agree	24%
Neither agree nor disagree	24%
Net: Disagree	17%
Somewhat disagree.....	11%
Strongly disagree.....	6%
Refused.....	2%

109. Politics has become too partisan.

Net: Agree	56%
Strongly agree	32%
Somewhat agree	24%
Neither agree nor disagree	35%
Net: Disagree	7%
Somewhat disagree.....	4%
Strongly disagree.....	3%
Refused.....	2%

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

Net: Agree	55%
Strongly agree	26%
Somewhat agree	29%
Neither agree nor disagree	32%
Net: Disagree	11%
Somewhat disagree.....	8%
Strongly disagree.....	3%
Refused.....	2%

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

Net: Agree	54%
Strongly agree	20%
Somewhat agree	34%
Neither agree nor disagree	31%
Net: Disagree	13%
Somewhat disagree.....	10%
Strongly disagree.....	4%
Refused.....	1%

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

Net: Agree	53%
Strongly agree	21%
Somewhat agree	32%
Neither agree nor disagree	29%
Net: Disagree	16%
Somewhat disagree.....	10%
Strongly disagree.....	6%
Refused.....	2%

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

Net: Agree	45%
Strongly agree	20%
Somewhat agree	25%
Neither agree nor disagree	27%
Net: Disagree	26%
Somewhat disagree.....	18%
Strongly disagree.....	9%
Refused.....	1%

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

Net: Agree	43%
Strongly agree	13%
Somewhat agree	30%
Neither agree nor disagree	40%
Net: Disagree	16%
Somewhat disagree.....	10%
Strongly disagree.....	6%
Refused.....	1%

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

Net: Agree	37%
Strongly agree	15%
Somewhat agree	22%
Neither agree nor disagree	24%
Net: Disagree	38%
Somewhat disagree.....	22%
Strongly disagree.....	16%
Refused.....	2%

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

Net: Agree	36%
Strongly agree	12%
Somewhat agree	24%
Neither agree nor disagree	33%
Net: Disagree	29%
Somewhat disagree.....	16%
Strongly disagree.....	14%
Refused.....	2%

117. Political involvement rarely has any tangible results.

Net: Agree	31%
Strongly agree	9%
Somewhat agree	22%
Neither agree nor disagree	38%
Net: Disagree	30%
Somewhat disagree.....	20%
Strongly disagree.....	9%
Refused.....	1%

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

Net: Agree	28%
Strongly agree	10%
Somewhat agree	17%
Neither agree nor disagree	49%
Net: Disagree	22%
Somewhat disagree.....	15%
Strongly disagree.....	7%
Refused.....	2%

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

Net: Agree	26%
Strongly agree	9%
Somewhat agree	17%
Neither agree nor disagree	27%
Net: Disagree	46%
Somewhat disagree.....	26%
Strongly disagree.....	20%
Refused.....	2%

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

Net: Agree	21%
Strongly agree	8%
Somewhat agree	14%
Neither agree nor disagree	20%
Net: Disagree	57%
Somewhat disagree.....	22%
Strongly disagree.....	34%
Refused.....	2%

How much, if at all, do you value the following attributes in your elected officials?

121. Their party affiliation

Net: A Lot/Some	58%
A lot.....	18%
Some.....	40%
Net: Not too Much/Not at All	40%
Not too much.....	27%
Not at all.....	13%
Refused.....	2%

122. Their cultural/social values

Net: A Lot/Some	75%
A lot.....	42%
Some.....	33%
Net: Not too Much/Not at All	23%
Not too much.....	16%
Not at all.....	8%
Refused.....	2%

123. Their policy

Net: A Lot/Some	77%
A lot.....	49%
Some.....	28%
Net: Not too Much/Not at All	22%
Not too much.....	14%
Not at all.....	7%
Refused.....	2%

124. That they care about people like me

Net: A Lot/Some	74%
A lot.....	41%
Some.....	33%
Net: Not too Much/Not at All	25%
Not too much.....	16%
Not at all.....	8%
Refused.....	2%

125. That they care about the people I care about

Net: A Lot/Some	76%
A lot.....	45%
Some.....	31%
Net: Not too Much/Not at All	22%
Not too much.....	14%
Not at all.....	8%
Refused.....	2%

Over the last two weeks, how often have you been bothered by the following problems?

[Randomize Q126-Q133, rank ordered by “Net: At Least Several Days” percentage]

126. Feeling tired or having little energy

Net: At Least Several Days	68%
Not at all.....	31%
Several days	39%
More than half the days.....	15%
Nearly every day	14%
Refused.....	1%

127. Trouble falling or staying asleep, or sleeping too much

Net: At Least Several Days	59%
Not at all.....	40%
Several days	32%
More than half the days.....	15%
Nearly every day	12%
Refused.....	1%

128. Little interest or pleasure in doing things

Net: At Least Several Days	52%
Not at all.....	47%
Several days	30%
More than half the days.....	13%
Nearly every day	8%
Refused.....	1%

129. Feeling down, depressed, or hopeless

Net: At Least Several Days	51%
Not at all.....	48%
Several days	31%
More than half the days.....	11%
Nearly every day	8%
Refused.....	1%

130. Poor appetite or overeating

Net: At Least Several Days	49%
Not at all.....	50%
Several days	27%
More than half the days.....	13%
Nearly every day	9%
Refused.....	1%

131. Trouble concentrating on things, such as reading the newspaper or watching television

Net: At Least Several Days	48%
Not at all.....	51%
Several days	26%
More than half the days.....	12%
Nearly every day	10%
Refused.....	1%

132. Moving or speaking so slowly that other people have noticed – or so fidgety or restless that you have been moving a lot more than usual

Net: At Least Several Days	32%
Not at all.....	67%
Several days	17%
More than half the days.....	10%
Nearly every day	4%
Refused.....	1%

133. Thoughts that you would be better off dead, or thoughts of hurting yourself in some way

Net: At Least Several Days	28%
Not at all.....	71%
Several days	15%
More than half the days.....	8%
Nearly every day	5%
Refused.....	1%

In the last two weeks, which if any of the following things have negatively impacted your mental health?

[Randomize Q134-Q142, rank ordered by “Yes” percentage]

134. School or work issues

Yes.....	37%
No.....	63%

135. Coronavirus

Yes.....	34%
No.....	66%

136. Personal and social relationships

Yes.....	29%
No.....	71%

137.	Self-image concerns	
	Yes.....	29%
	No.....	71%
138.	Social isolation	
	Yes.....	28%
	No.....	72%
139.	Economic concerns	
	Yes.....	25%
	No.....	75%
140.	Health concerns for myself	
	Yes.....	22%
	No.....	78%
141.	Politics	
	Yes.....	21%
	No.....	79%
142.	Health concerns for my family/friends	
	Yes.....	20%
	No.....	80%
143.	Something else	
	Yes.....	3%
	No.....	97%
144.	None of above	
	Yes.....	24%
	No.....	76%

How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

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

Net: Agree	40%
Strongly agree	16%
Somewhat agree	25%
Neither agree nor disagree	37%
Net: Disagree	20%
Somewhat disagree.....	13%
Strongly disagree.....	8%
Refused.....	2%

146. 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	39%
Strongly agree	15%
Somewhat agree	24%
Neither agree nor disagree	43%
Net: Disagree	16%
Somewhat disagree.....	11%
Strongly disagree.....	5%
Refused.....	2%

147. 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%
Strongly agree	42%
Somewhat agree	22%
Neither agree nor disagree	21%
Net: Disagree	13%
Somewhat disagree.....	7%
Strongly disagree.....	6%
Refused.....	2%

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

Net: Agree	33%
Strongly agree	13%
Somewhat agree	20%
Neither agree nor disagree	36%
Net: Disagree	29%
Somewhat disagree.....	12%
Strongly disagree.....	17%
Refused.....	2%

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

Net: Agree	24%
Strongly agree	12%
Somewhat agree	12%
Neither agree nor disagree	27%
Net: Disagree	47%
Somewhat disagree.....	13%
Strongly disagree.....	34%
Refused.....	2%

150. 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	28%
Strongly agree	9%
Somewhat agree	19%
Neither agree nor disagree	38%
Net: Disagree	32%
Somewhat disagree.....	18%
Strongly disagree.....	13%
Refused.....	2%

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

Net: Agree	55%
Strongly agree	33%
Somewhat agree	22%
Neither agree nor disagree	27%
Net: Disagree	16%
Somewhat disagree.....	8%
Strongly disagree.....	8%
Refused.....	2%

152. Same sex relationships are morally wrong.

Net: Agree	21%
Strongly agree	14%
Somewhat agree	7%
Neither agree nor disagree	24%
Net: Disagree	54%
Somewhat disagree.....	8%
Strongly disagree.....	45%
Refused.....	2%

153. 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	49%
Strongly agree	21%
Somewhat agree	28%
Neither agree nor disagree	32%
Net: Disagree	18%
Somewhat disagree.....	13%
Strongly disagree.....	5%
Refused.....	2%

154. I am concerned about the moral direction of the country.

Net: Agree	65%
Strongly agree	35%
Somewhat agree	30%
Neither agree nor disagree	24%
Net: Disagree	8%
Somewhat disagree.....	5%
Strongly disagree.....	3%
Refused.....	2%

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

Net: Agree	37%
Strongly agree	19%
Somewhat agree	18%
Neither agree nor disagree	37%
Net: Disagree	24%
Somewhat disagree.....	11%
Strongly disagree.....	13%
Refused.....	2%

156. The government should spend more to reduce poverty.

Net: Agree	61%
Strongly agree	32%
Somewhat agree	28%
Neither agree nor disagree	26%
Net: Disagree	12%
Somewhat disagree.....	6%
Strongly disagree.....	6%
Refused.....	2%

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

Net: Agree	38%
Strongly agree	13%
Somewhat agree	24%
Neither agree nor disagree	41%
Net: Disagree	20%
Somewhat disagree.....	12%
Strongly disagree.....	7%
Refused.....	2%

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

Net: Agree	62%
Strongly agree	37%
Somewhat agree	25%
Neither agree nor disagree	22%
Net: Disagree	14%
Somewhat disagree.....	10%
Strongly disagree.....	5%
Refused.....	2%

Do you support or oppose?

[Randomize Q159-Q160, rank ordered by “Net: Support” percentage]

159. The Biden administration assisting in global pandemic relief efforts once all Americans have had the opportunity to be vaccinated?

Net: Support	64%
Strongly support	39%
Somewhat support.....	25%
Net: Oppose	21%
Somewhat oppose.....	12%
Strongly oppose.....	9%
Don’t know.....	14%
Refused.....	1%

160. A \$15 minimum wage?

Net: Support	61%
Strongly support	40%
Somewhat support.....	21%
Net: Oppose	31%
Somewhat oppose.....	14%
Strongly oppose.....	17%
Don’t know.....	8%
Refused.....	1%

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

Net: Good	72%
Very good.....	16%
Fairly good	56%
Net: Bad	27%
Fairly bad	20%
Very bad.....	7%
Refused.....	1%

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

Better off financially than they are now.....	38%
About the same as they are now.....	31%
Worse off financially than they are now	17%
Not sure	13%
Refused.....	1%

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

163. 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=511)

Net: Easy	32%
Very easy.....	5%
Somewhat easy.....	27%
Net: Difficult	67%
Somewhat difficult	53%
Very difficult.....	14%
Refused.....	1%

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

Catholic	18%
Fundamentalist/Evangelical Christian	12%
Protestant.....	9%
Jewish.....	2%
LDS/Mormon	2%
Muslim	1%
Another religion	9%
No religious preference	33%
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]

165. How important is religion in your own life? (n=1,501)

Very important	41%
Somewhat important	35%
Not very important	21%
Not sure	3%
Refused.....	-

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

166. Do you consider yourself a born-again Christian? (n=1,388)

Yes.....	34%
No.....	49%
Not sure	14%
Decline to answer	3%
Refused.....	-

167. Switching topics, which of these best describes your phone service at this time (multiple responses allowed)?

Cell phone	93%
Landline phone service	2%
VOIP phone service	1%
None of these.....	4%
Refused.....	1%

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

168. Is your college/university...? (n=511)

Public.....	68%
Private	32%
Refused.....	-

169. Is the college/university that you currently attend...? (n=511)

In an urban or city area.....	50%
In a suburban area next to a city.....	31%
In a small town or rural area	18%
Refused.....	1%

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

Suburban	46%
Urban.....	27%
Rural.....	13%
Small town	13%
Refused.....	1%

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

171. How many undergraduate students are enrolled in your college/university? (n=511)

Less than 1,000.....	5%
1,000 - 4,999	27%
5,000 – 9,999.....	22%
10,000 – 19,999.....	21%
20,000 or more	24%
Refused.....	*

172. Where do you live while attending college? (n=511)

In an on-campus dormitory	24%
In fraternity/sorority housing	2%
In a campus-owned apartment	6%
In an apartment/house that is not campus-owned (not with parents)	30%
At home, with my parents	36%
Somewhere else.....	2%
Refused.....	1%

173. Are you a ...? (n=511)

Full-time student	89%
Part-time student	10%
Refused.....	1%

174. Gender

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

175. Age

18-24	54%
25-29	46%

176.	Race / Ethnicity	
	White, Non-Hispanic.....	53%
	Hispanic.....	23%
	Black, Non-Hispanic	14%
	Other, Non-Hispanic	7%
	2+ Races, Non-Hispanic.....	3%
177.	Education (Highest Degree Received)	
	No high school diploma or GED.....	10%
	High school graduate (high school diploma or the equivalent GED)	30%
	Some college or Associate's degree	37%
	Bachelor's degree	17%
	Master's degree or higher.....	7%
178.	Education (Categorical)	
	No high school diploma or GED.....	10%
	High school graduate (high school diploma or the equivalent GED)	30%
	Some college or Associate's degree	37%
	Bachelor's degree or higher	24%
179.	Household income	
	Less than \$10,000.....	5%
	\$10,000 to \$24,999.....	7%
	\$25,000 to \$49,999.....	19%
	\$50,000 to \$74,999.....	19%
	\$75,000 to \$99,999.....	15%
	\$100,000 to \$149,999.....	18%
	\$150,000 or more	17%
180.	Marital Status	
	Now married.....	19%
	Widowed	*
	Divorced.....	1%
	Separated.....	1%
	Never married.....	79%

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

Student.....	21%
Employed full time.....	36%
Employed part time	17%
Self-employed	4%
Not employed / Homemaker	7%
Not employed.....	14%
Refused.....	1%

182. Are your living quarters...?

Owned or being bought by you or someone in your household	62%
Rented for cash.....	35%
Occupied without payment of cash rent.....	2%

183. Which best describes where you live?

A one-family house detached from any other house.....	67%
One-family condo or townhouse attached to other units	10%
Building with 2 or more apartments.....	19%
Other (mobile home, boat, RV, van, etc.)	3%

184. What region do you live in?

Northeast	16%
Midwest.....	21%
South	38%
West.....	25%

185. What region do you live in? (Based on state of residence)

New England.....	4%
Mid-Atlantic	12%
East-North Central	15%
West-North Central	5%
South Atlantic.....	20%
East-South Central	6%
West-South Central	11%
Mountain	8%
Pacific.....	17%

186. Do you live in a metro or non-metro area?

Non-Metro.....	12%
Metro.....	88%

* Indicates percentage less than 0.5%, but greater than 0.

- Indicates 0% or no responses.

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