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NATIONAL: ABORTION, ECONOMY TOP MIDTERM ISSUES

Difficulty paying for groceries, other bills inches up

West Long Branch, NJ – The American public is divided as to which party they want in control of Congress, and the issue picture has shifted since the last midterm – with the economy and abortion replacing health care as the top electoral concern. The *Monmouth (“Mon-muth”) University Poll* also finds that a majority of Americans report having a difficult time paying for gas. Reports of problems paying household expenses overall have increased in the past six months at the same time President Joe Biden’s job rating heads further underwater.

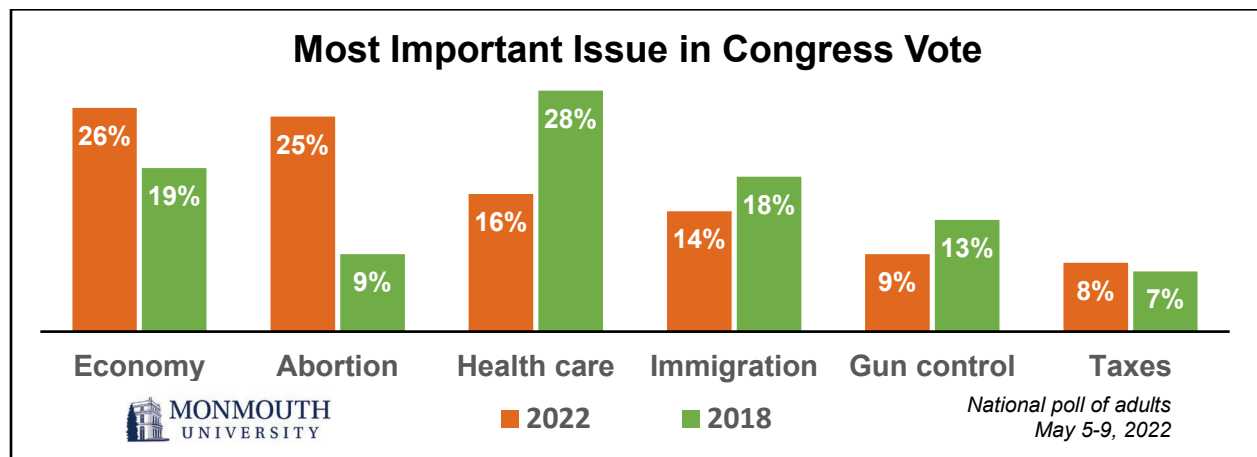
The public remains divided on whether they prefer to have the Republicans (36%) or the Democrats (34%) in control of Congress. Pushing for “leaners” among those who initially say party control does not matter adds 12% to the GOP column and 10% for the Democrats. The combined 48% Republican and 44% Democrat split represents statistically insignificant shifts since March (45% Republican and 46% Democrat) and January (50% Republican and 43% Democrat). About 6 in 10 (59%) Americans say it is very important to have their preferred party in control of Congress. This congressional control importance metric is slightly higher among those who want Democrats (67%) rather than Republicans (61%) leading Congress. In March, those who wanted Republican control (64%) were slightly more likely than Democrat supporters (59%) to say that party control of Congress was very important to them. Overall, just 15% of the public approves of the job Congress is doing now, down from 21% in March. A total of 77% disapprove now.

“Congressional party preference hasn’t moved a lot this year, but the issue picture may be coming into focus with the economy and abortion as the top considerations right now. The importance of abortion coincides with the Supreme Court leak, which means it is hard to tell whether we are seeing a temporary blip or something that will have a major impact in November,” said Patrick Murray, director of the independent Monmouth University Polling Institute.

The poll asked Americans to rate how six different policy areas factor into their congressional vote choice. On each of these six issues, at least 2 in 3 say it is very or extremely important to them that their chosen candidate shares their views. Looking at just those who rate these policies as *extremely important* finds a fairly even distribution among abortion (35%), immigration (33%), gun control (32%), economic policy (31%), and health care (30%). Tax policy (24%) is seen as extremely important by slightly fewer people than the other five areas. Compared to a Monmouth pre-election poll taken in [August 2018](#), immigration, gun control and tax policy are nominally less important than they were in the last midterm. Abortion is a few points higher in extreme importance than 2018, while health care is significantly less important. Economic policy has seen no change.

The similar shifts in the importance of these policies for the entire population masks some larger partisan movements. For example, the drop in immigration policy’s importance since the last midterm is driven mainly by Democrats (23% extremely important, down from 37% in 2018) while the drop in health care policy’s importance is driven mainly by Republicans (18%, down from 37%). The importance of economic policy declined a few points among Republicans and Democrats but actually increased slightly among independents.

The importance of abortion policy in the current midterms compared with four years ago has shifted the most among Democrats. Nearly half (48%) of Democrats say a candidate’s alignment with their views on abortion is extremely important to their vote, which is up from 31% who said the same in 2018. Abortion’s importance is slightly higher among independents than it was four years ago (31%, compared with 27% in 2018). Among Republicans, however, there has actually been a decline in seeing abortion policy as an extremely important factor in their vote choice (29%, down from 36% in 2018). Of note, the importance of abortion in the congressional vote has gone up by six points among women (43% extremely important now) and by three points among men (27% now) since 2018.



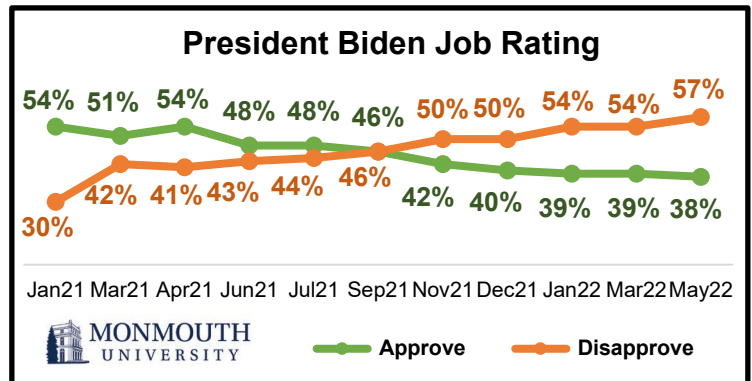
When asked to choose the single most important issue from the six policy areas included in the poll, economic policy (26%) and abortion (25%) are the top concerns, followed by health care (16%) and immigration (14%). Fewer than 1 in 10 select either gun control (9%) or tax policy (8%) as their most important issue. Four years ago, health care was the top issue (28%), followed by economic policy (19%) and immigration (18%). Abortion policy (9%) was near the bottom of the list.

About 1 in 3 Democrats (32%) and 1 in 4 independents (26%) say agreeing with a candidate on abortion policy is the top consideration in their congressional vote. Four years ago, fewer than 1 in 10 in either group said the same. On the other hand, the number of Republicans who name abortion as their most important issue (17%) is about the same as in 2018. Among women, abortion as the most important midterm issue has increased from 10% to 30%, while among men it has increased from 9% to 19%.

“Many Democrats are clearly focused on abortion as a driving factor in the midterm elections. However, what is not clear from this one poll is whether this issue is actually motivating voters who would not otherwise come out to vote this year,” said Murray.

Turning to presidential politics, Biden currently receives a job rating of 38% approve and 57% disapprove. He held a 39% to 54% rating in Monmouth polls taken in January and March this year. Just 18% of Americans say the country is headed in the right direction, down from 24% two months ago.

Among typical household expenses most Americans pay, a majority (58%) say it is currently difficult for them to afford gas for their cars. Just over half also say it is difficult for them to pay grocery bills (52%), their tax bills (51%), and health care deductibles and out of pocket expenses (51%). Just under half say the same about health insurance premiums



(48%) and fewer than 4 in 10 say making their mortgage or rent payment (37%) is difficult. A Monmouth poll from 2017 – the year before Democrats took control of the House of Representatives – found somewhat more people saying these expenses were easy to meet and fewer saying they were difficult, with the ease of buying groceries being the starkest change (62% easy in 2017 versus 47% easy in 2022).

Compared to this past December, the number of people who have experienced difficulty paying their grocery bill has increased by 10 points, health insurance premium difficulty has increased by 8 points, and tax payment difficulty is up 7 points. Out of pocket health expense difficulties are up slightly by 3 points and there has been no appreciable change in the difficulty of paying housing costs. [The gas price item was not asked in prior polls]. Of note, for the household expenses where difficulty has increased, the shifts have been larger among independents than among either Republicans or Democrats.

“The fact that more independents are feeling the pain is a warning sign for the party in power,” said Murray.

The *Monmouth University Poll* was conducted by telephone from May 5 to 9, 2022 with 807 adults in the United States. The question results in this release have a margin of error of +/- 3.5 percentage points. The poll was conducted by the Monmouth University Polling Institute in West Long Branch, NJ.

QUESTIONS AND RESULTS

(* Some columns may not add to 100% due to rounding.)

1. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Joe Biden is doing as president?

TREND:	May 2022	March 2022	Jan. 2022	Dec. 2021	Nov. 2021	Sept. 2021	July 2021	June 2021	April 2021	March 2021	Jan. 2021
Approve	38%	39%	39%	40%	42%	46%	48%	48%	54%	51%	54%
Disapprove	57%	54%	54%	50%	50%	46%	44%	43%	41%	42%	30%
(VOL) No opinion	5%	7%	7%	11%	9%	8%	8%	9%	5%	8%	16%
(n)	(807)	(809)	(794)	(808)	(811)	(802)	(804)	(810)	(800)	(802)	(809)

2. Do you approve or disapprove of the job the U.S. Congress is doing?

TREND:	May 2022	March 2022	Jan. 2022	Dec. 2021	Nov. 2021	Sept. 2021	July 2021	June 2021	April 2021	March 2021	Jan. 2021
Approve	15%	21%	19%	23%	18%	22%	23%	21%	35%	30%	35%
Disapprove	77%	71%	74%	66%	70%	65%	62%	65%	56%	59%	51%
(VOL) No opinion	8%	8%	6%	11%	12%	13%	15%	15%	9%	11%	14%
(n)	(807)	(809)	(794)	(808)	(811)	(802)	(804)	(810)	(800)	(802)	(809)

TREND:	Nov. 2020	Early June 2020	May 2020	April 2020	Feb. 2020	Jan. 2020	Dec. 2019	Nov. 2019	Sept. 2019	Aug. 2019	June 2019	May 2019	April 2019	March 2019	Jan. 2019
Continued	23%	22%	32%	32%	20%	24%	22%	23%	21%	17%	19%	20%	24%	23%	18%
Approve	64%	69%	55%	55%	69%	62%	65%	64%	68%	71%	69%	71%	62%	68%	72%
Disapprove	13%	9%	13%	13%	11%	14%	13%	13%	11%	13%	12%	9%	14%	9%	10%
(VOL) No opinion	8%	8%	6%	11%	12%	13%	15%	15%	9%	11%	14%	11%	14%	9%	10%
(n)	(810)	(807)	(808)	(857)	(902)	(903)	(903)	(908)	(1,161)	(800)	(751)	(802)	(801)	(802)	(805)

TREND:	Nov. 2018	Aug. 2018	June 2018	April 2018	March 2018	Jan. 2018	Dec. 2017	Sept. 2017	Aug. 2017	July 2017	May 2017	March 2017	Jan. 2017
Continued	23%	17%	19%	17%	18%	21%	16%	17%	18%	19%	19%	25%	23%
Approve	63%	69%	67%	71%	72%	68%	65%	69%	69%	70%	68%	59%	66%
Disapprove	14%	14%	14%	12%	11%	11%	19%	15%	13%	11%	13%	16%	11%
(VOL) No opinion	8%	8%	6%	11%	12%	13%	15%	15%	9%	11%	14%	11%	14%
(n)	(802)	(805)	(806)	(803)	(803)	(806)	(806)	(1,009)	(805)	(800)	(1,002)	(801)	(801)

TREND:	Sept. 2016*	Aug. 2016*	June 2016*	March 2016	Jan. 2016	Dec. 2015	Oct. 2015	Sept. 2015	Aug. 2015	July 2015	June 2015	April 2015	Jan. 2015	Dec. 2014	July 2013
Continued	15%	14%	17%	22%	17%	16%	17%	19%	18%	18%	19%	21%	18%	17%	14%
Approve	77%	78%	76%	68%	73%	73%	71%	71%	72%	69%	71%	67%	70%	73%	76%
Disapprove	8%	9%	7%	10%	10%	10%	12%	11%	11%	12%	10%	12%	11%	11%	10%
(VOL) No opinion	8%	9%	7%	10%	10%	10%	12%	11%	11%	12%	10%	12%	11%	11%	10%
(n)	(802)	(803)	(803)	(1,008)	(1,003)	(1,006)	(1,012)	(1,009)	(1,203)	(1,001)	(1,002)	(1,005)	(1,003)	(1,008)	(1,012)

* Registered voters

3. Would you rather see the Republicans or the Democrats in control of Congress, or doesn't this matter to you? [CHOICES WERE ROTATED] [IF DOES NOT MATTER: If you had to lean one way or the other would you pick the Republicans or the Democrats?]

TREND:	May 2022	March 2022	Jan. 2022
Republicans	36%	33%	35%
Not matter, but lean Rep	12%	12%	15%
Democrats	34%	33%	33%
Not matter, but lean Dem	10%	13%	10%
Does not matter, no lean	7%	9%	7%
(VOL) Don't know	1%	1%	0%
(n)	(807)	(809)	(794)

4. Is it very important, somewhat important, or only a little important to have [Republicans/Democrats] in control of Congress? [CHOICE READ FROM Q3]

TREND:	May 2022	March 2022	Jan. 2022
Very important	59%	56%	54%
Somewhat important	20%	21%	23%
Only a little important	12%	12%	15%
(VOL) Don't know / Does not matter who controls Congress (from Q3)	9%	11%	8%
(n)	(807)	(809)	(794)

5. I'm going to read you a number of different policy issues. For each one, please tell me how important it is that a candidate for Congress shares your views on that issue in order for you to vote for them. You may use extremely important, very important, just somewhat important, or not important. [ITEMS WERE ROTATED]

Immigration policy

TREND:	May 2022	Aug. 2018
Extremely important	33%	35%
Very important	37%	39%
Just somewhat important	26%	21%
Not important	4%	4%
(VOL) Don't know	0%	1%
(n)	(807)	(805)

Health care policy

TREND:	May 2022	Aug. 2018
Extremely important	30%	43%
Very important	42%	37%
Just somewhat important	22%	15%
Not important	6%	4%
(VOL) Don't know	0%	0%
(n)	(807)	(805)

Gun control policy

TREND:	May 2022	Aug. 2018
Extremely important	32%	37%
Very important	34%	38%
Just somewhat important	21%	16%
Not important	12%	8%
(VOL) Don't know	1%	1%
(n)	(807)	(805)

Abortion policy

TREND:	May 2022	Aug. 2018
Extremely important	35%	31%
Very important	35%	28%
Just somewhat important	19%	25%
Not important	10%	15%
(VOL) Don't know	1%	2%
(n)	(807)	(805)

Tax policy

TREND:	May	Aug.
	2022	2018
Extremely important	24%	29%
Very important	46%	44%
Just somewhat important	26%	22%
Not important	3%	3%
(VOL) Don't know	1%	1%
(n)	(807)	(805)

Economic policy

TREND:	May	Aug.
	2022	2018
Extremely important	31%	31%
Very important	48%	48%
Just somewhat important	19%	17%
Not important	1%	4%
(VOL) Don't know	1%	0%
(n)	(807)	(805)

6. And which of the issues I just mentioned is most important to you in your vote choice for Congress?

TREND:	May	Aug.
	2022	2018
Immigration policy	14%	18%
Health care policy	16%	28%
Gun control policy	9%	13%
Abortion policy	25%	9%
Tax policy	8%	7%
Economic policy	26%	19%
(VOL) Don't know	3%	5%
(n)	(807)	(805)

7. Would you say things in the country are going in the right direction, or have they gotten off on the wrong track?

TREND:	May	March	Jan.	Dec.	Nov.	Sept.	July	June	April	March	Jan.
	2022	2022	2022	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021
Right direction	18%	24%	24%	30%	31%	29%	38%	37%	46%	34%	42%
Wrong track	79%	73%	71%	66%	64%	65%	56%	57%	50%	61%	51%
(VOL) Depends	2%	1%	3%	1%	2%	4%	3%	3%	2%	4%	3%
(VOL) Don't know	2%	2%	2%	3%	3%	2%	4%	3%	2%	2%	4%
(n)	(807)	(809)	(794)	(808)	(811)	(802)	(804)	(810)	(800)	(802)	(809)

TREND: <i>Continued</i>	Nov.	Early Sept.	Aug.	Late June	Early June	May	April	March	Feb.	Jan.
	2020	2020	2020	2020	2020	2020	2020	2020	2020	2020
Right direction	26%	27%	22%	18%	21%	33%	30%	39%	37%	37%
Wrong track	68%	66%	72%	74%	74%	60%	61%	54%	57%	56%
(VOL) Depends	4%	4%	4%	5%	4%	4%	5%	4%	6%	6%
(VOL) Don't know	2%	3%	2%	3%	1%	3%	5%	3%	1%	1%
(n)	(810)	(867)	(868)	(867)	(807)	(808)	(857)	(851)	(902)	(903)

TREND: <i>Continued</i>	Dec.	Nov.	Sept.	Aug.	June	May	April	March	Nov.	Aug.	June	April	March	Jan.
	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2018	2018	2018	2018	2018	2018
Right direction	32%	30%	30%	28%	31%	29%	28%	29%	35%	35%	40%	33%	31%	37%
Wrong track	56%	61%	61%	62%	62%	63%	62%	63%	55%	57%	53%	58%	61%	57%
(VOL) Depends	8%	7%	6%	8%	6%	4%	7%	6%	7%	6%	3%	5%	6%	3%
(VOL) Don't know	4%	2%	2%	2%	2%	3%	3%	2%	3%	3%	3%	4%	1%	3%
(n)	(903)	(908)	(1,161)	(800)	(751)	(802)	(801)	(802)	(802)	(805)	(806)	(803)	(803)	(806)

TREND: <i>Continued</i>	Dec. 2017	Aug. 2017	May 2017	March 2017	Jan. 2017	Aug. 2016*	Oct. 2015	July 2015	June 2015	April 2015	Dec. 2014	July 2013
Right direction	24%	32%	31%	35%	29%	30%	24%	28%	23%	27%	23%	28%
Wrong track	66%	58%	61%	56%	65%	65%	66%	63%	68%	66%	69%	63%
(VOL) Depends	7%	4%	5%	4%	4%	2%	6%	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%
(VOL) Don't know	3%	5%	3%	5%	2%	3%	4%	3%	3%	2%	3%	4%
(n)	(806)	(805)	(1,002)	(801)	(801)	(803)	(1,012)	(1,001)	(1,002)	(1,005)	(1,008)	(1,012)

* Registered voters

8. I'm going to read you some typical household expenses. For each, please tell me if it is very easy, somewhat easy, somewhat difficult, or very difficult for you to pay for it? If you do not have this expense, just let me know. [ITEMS WERE ROTATED]

Mortgage or rent payment

TREND:	May 2022	Dec. 2021	May 2019	March 2017
Very easy	15%	16%	21%	17%
Somewhat easy	27%	24%	25%	28%
Somewhat difficult	22%	24%	24%	22%
Very difficult	15%	13%	9%	11%
Do not have this expense	21%	23%	19%	20%
(VOL) Don't know	0%	1%	1%	2%
(n)	(807)	(808)	(802)	(801)

Grocery bills

TREND:	May 2022	Dec. 2021	May 2019	March 2017
Very easy	18%	19%	33%	28%
Somewhat easy	29%	37%	36%	34%
Somewhat difficult	31%	30%	21%	26%
Very difficult	21%	12%	9%	7%
Do not have this expense	1%	2%	1%	4%
(VOL) Don't know	0%	1%	1%	1%
(n)	(807)	(808)	(802)	(801)

Health insurance premiums

TREND:	May 2022	Dec. 2021	May 2019	March 2017
Very easy	18%	22%	21%	19%
Somewhat easy	21%	24%	26%	23%
Somewhat difficult	25%	23%	22%	20%
Very difficult	23%	17%	18%	22%
Do not have this expense	12%	11%	11%	13%
(VOL) Don't know	1%	2%	3%	2%
(n)	(807)	(808)	(802)	(801)

Health care deductibles and out of pocket expenses

TREND:	May 2022	Dec. 2021	May 2019	March 2017
Very easy	16%	14%	20%	17%
Somewhat easy	23%	28%	28%	26%
Somewhat difficult	24%	27%	25%	25%
Very difficult	27%	21%	20%	21%
Do not have this expense	10%	9%	6%	9%
(VOL) Don't know	0%	1%	1%	3%
(n)	(807)	(808)	(802)	(801)

Paying taxes

TREND:	May 2022	Dec. 2021	May 2019	March 2017
Very easy	15%	18%	22%	20%
Somewhat easy	27%	27%	29%	28%
Somewhat difficult	28%	27%	26%	27%
Very difficult	23%	17%	15%	14%
Do not have this expense	5%	9%	6%	9%
(VOL) Don't know	1%	1%	2%	2%
(n)	(807)	(808)	(802)	(801)

Gas for your car

	May 2022
Very easy	13%
Somewhat easy	21%
Somewhat difficult	26%
Very difficult	32%
Do not have this expense	8%
(VOL) Don't know	1%
(n)	(807)

[Q9-22 previously released.]

[Q23-38 held for future release.]

METHODOLOGY

The *Monmouth University Poll* was sponsored and conducted by the Monmouth University Polling Institute from May 5 to 9, 2022 with a probability-based national random sample of 807 adults age 18 and older. This includes 284 contacted by a live interviewer on a landline telephone and 523 contacted by a live interviewer on a cell phone, in English. Telephone numbers were selected through a mix of random digit dialing and list-based sampling. Landline respondents were selected with a modified Trol Dahl-Carter youngest adult household screen. Interviewing services were provided by Braun Research, with sample obtained from Dynata (RDD, n=532), Aristotle (list, n=137) and a panel of prior Monmouth poll participants (n=138). Monmouth is responsible for all aspects of the survey design, data weighting and analysis. The full sample is weighted for region, age, education, gender and race based on US Census information (ACS 2018 one-year survey). For results based on this sample, one can say with 95% confidence that the error attributable to sampling has a maximum margin of plus or minus 3.5 percentage points (unadjusted for sample design). Sampling error can be larger for sub-groups (see table below). In addition to sampling error, one should bear in mind that question wording and practical difficulties in conducting surveys can introduce error or bias into the findings of opinion polls.

DEMOGRAPHICS (weighted)
Self-Reported
30% Republican
43% Independent
27% Democrat
49% Male
51% Female
30% 18-34
32% 35-54
38% 55+
63% White
12% Black
17% Hispanic
8% Asian/Other
69% No degree
31% 4 year degree

MARGIN OF ERROR		<i>unweighted</i>	<i>moe</i>
		<i>sample</i>	<i>(+/-)</i>
TOTAL		807	3.5%
REGISTERED VOTER	Yes	751	3.6%
	No	56	13.1%
SELF-REPORTED	Republican	231	6.5%
PARTY ID	Independent	330	5.4%
	Democrat	243	6.3%
IDEOLOGY	Liberal	205	6.9%
	Moderate	297	5.7%
	Conservative	288	5.8%
GENDER	Male	419	4.8%
	Female	388	5.0%
AGE	18-34	152	8.0%
	35-54	276	5.9%
	55+	375	5.1%
CHILDREN IN HOME	Yes	207	6.8%
	No	596	4.0%
RACE	White, non-Hispanic	571	4.1%
	Other	209	6.8%
COLLEGE GRADUATE	No degree	367	5.1%
	4 year degree	436	4.7%
WHITE COLLEGE	White, no degree	256	6.1%
	White, 4 year degree	312	5.6%
INCOME	<\$50K	209	6.8%
	\$50 to <\$100K	239	6.3%
	\$100K+	313	5.5%

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		TOTAL	REGISTERED TO VOTE		PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		
			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
1. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Joe Biden is doing as president?	Approve	38%	39%	31%	9%	32%	81%	64%	47%	14%
	Disapprove	57%	56%	58%	87%	63%	12%	30%	47%	83%
	[VOL] Dont know	5%	5%	11%	4%	5%	7%	6%	6%	3%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			CHILDREN IN HOME		RACE	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Yes	No	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth
1. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Joe Biden is doing as president?	Approve	34%	42%	29%	37%	46%	35%	39%	32%	50%
	Disapprove	60%	53%	60%	58%	52%	60%	55%	64%	44%
	[VOL] Dont know	6%	5%	11%	4%	3%	5%	6%	4%	6%

		COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME		
		No degree	4 yr degree	White no degree	White college	<\$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+
1. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Joe Biden is doing as president?	Approve	33%	49%	23%	48%	36%	34%	44%
	Disapprove	62%	44%	73%	47%	58%	63%	48%
	[VOL] Dont know	5%	6%	4%	5%	5%	4%	8%

		TOTAL	REGISTERED TO VOTE		PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		
			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
2. Do you approve or disapprove of the job the U.S. Congress is doing?	Approve	15%	16%	10%	9%	12%	29%	22%	19%	8%
	Disapprove	77%	77%	77%	83%	84%	58%	70%	70%	88%
	[VOL] Dont know	8%	7%	13%	8%	4%	13%	8%	11%	4%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			CHILDREN IN HOME		RACE	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Yes	No	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth
2. Do you approve or disapprove of the job the U.S. Congress is doing?	Approve	14%	17%	11%	16%	19%	20%	14%	12%	22%
	Disapprove	80%	74%	79%	77%	75%	77%	77%	81%	70%
	[VOL] Dont know	6%	10%	10%	7%	6%	4%	9%	7%	9%

		COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME		
		No degree	4 yr degree	White no degree	White college	<\$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+
2. Do you approve or disapprove of the job the U.S. Congress is doing?	Approve	14%	19%	10%	17%	15%	14%	17%
	Disapprove	78%	74%	83%	77%	75%	81%	74%
	[VOL] Dont know	8%	7%	7%	6%	9%	5%	8%

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3. Would you rather see the Republicans or the Democrats in control of Congress, or doesnt this matter to you? [with leaners] [Parties were rotated]	Republicans	36%	38%	15%	80%	26%	2%	4%	23%	68%
	Not matter, but lean R	12%	12%	14%	15%	17%	1%	6%	14%	15%
	Democrats	34%	35%	26%	3%	25%	83%	71%	34%	9%
	Not matter, but lean D	10%	8%	30%	0%	16%	13%	14%	15%	4%
	Does not matter, no lean	7%	6%	13%	1%	14%	1%	4%	11%	3%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	0%	2%	2%	0%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			CHILDREN IN HOME		RACE	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Yes	No	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth
3. Would you rather see the Republicans or the Democrats in control of Congress, or doesnt this matter to you? [with leaners] [Parties were rotated]	Republicans	39%	33%	21%	42%	41%	34%	36%	47%	17%
	Not matter, but lean R	13%	12%	17%	11%	9%	15%	12%	9%	18%
	Democrats	29%	39%	31%	33%	37%	29%	35%	31%	38%
	Not matter, but lean D	10%	11%	19%	7%	6%	9%	11%	6%	17%
	Does not matter, no lean	7%	6%	11%	5%	5%	9%	6%	5%	8%
	[VOL] Dont know	2%	0%	1%	2%	0%	3%	0%	1%	2%

		COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME		
		No degree	4 yr degree	White no degree	White college	<\$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+
3. Would you rather see the Republicans or the Democrats in control of Congress, or doesnt this matter to you? [with leaners] [Parties were rotated]	Republicans	39%	30%	55%	33%	31%	40%	37%
	Not matter, but lean R	15%	8%	10%	7%	14%	11%	11%
	Democrats	28%	46%	22%	48%	37%	31%	35%
	Not matter, but lean D	10%	10%	6%	7%	12%	12%	8%
	Does not matter, no lean	7%	6%	6%	4%	5%	4%	8%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	2%	1%

		TOTAL	REGISTERED TO VOTE		PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		
			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
4. Is it very important, somewhat important, or only a little important to have [Republicans\ Democrats] in control of Congress?	Very important	59%	62%	33%	76%	35%	78%	65%	46%	66%
	Somewhat important	20%	20%	25%	17%	28%	13%	21%	23%	18%
	Only a little important	12%	10%	27%	6%	19%	8%	8%	18%	10%
	[VOL] Dont know, [Q3] does not matter	9%	8%	16%	2%	18%	2%	6%	13%	5%

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		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			CHILDREN IN HOME		RACE	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Yes	No	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth
4. Is it very important, somewhat important, or only a little important to have [Republicans\ Democrats] in control of Congress?	Very important	53%	64%	38%	61%	73%	54%	61%	62%	53%
	Somewhat important	22%	19%	27%	21%	14%	21%	20%	21%	20%
	Only a little important	14%	11%	22%	10%	6%	12%	12%	10%	16%
	[VOL] Dont know, [Q3] does not matter	11%	7%	13%	8%	6%	13%	7%	7%	10%

		COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME			PARTY PREF [Q3]	
		No degree	4 yr degree	White no degree	White college	<\$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Rep	Dem
4. Is it very important, somewhat important, or only a little important to have [Republicans\ Democrats] in control of Congress?	Very important	57%	63%	59%	68%	57%	57%	64%	61%	67%
	Somewhat important	20%	20%	21%	19%	20%	23%	17%	24%	20%
	Only a little important	13%	9%	10%	9%	16%	12%	8%	13%	13%
	[VOL] Dont know, [Q3] does not matter	10%	7%	9%	5%	7%	7%	10%	1%	0%

		TOTAL	REGISTERED TO VOTE		PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		
			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
5A. How important is it that a candidate for Congress shares your views on the issue in order for you to vote for them: Immigration policy?	Extremely important	33%	32%	40%	38%	35%	23%	30%	27%	41%
	Very important	37%	39%	21%	47%	28%	40%	36%	33%	41%
	Just somewhat important	26%	26%	29%	13%	31%	32%	30%	35%	16%
	Not important	4%	3%	11%	2%	5%	4%	4%	4%	2%
	[VOL] Dont know	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			CHILDREN IN HOME		RACE	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Yes	No	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth
5A. How important is it that a candidate for Congress shares your views on the issue in order for you to vote for them: Immigration policy?	Extremely important	32%	33%	23%	37%	37%	28%	35%	33%	32%
	Very important	32%	42%	34%	39%	38%	43%	35%	40%	33%
	Just somewhat important	28%	23%	38%	19%	22%	26%	26%	23%	31%
	Not important	7%	1%	5%	4%	3%	3%	4%	3%	4%
	[VOL] Dont know	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%

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		COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME		
		No degree	4 yr degree	White no degree	White college	<\$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+
5A. How important is it that a candidate for Congress shares your views on the issue in order for you to vote for them: Immigration policy?	Extremely important	34%	31%	37%	28%	34%	31%	36%
	Very important	35%	41%	37%	44%	38%	39%	31%
	Just somewhat important	26%	25%	22%	24%	23%	27%	29%
	Not important	4%	3%	3%	4%	5%	3%	4%
	[VOL] Dont know	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%

		TOTAL	REGISTERED TO VOTE		PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		
			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
5B. How important is it that a candidate for Congress shares your views on the issue in order for you to vote for them: Health care policy?	Extremely important	30%	29%	35%	18%	31%	41%	41%	32%	21%
	Very important	42%	42%	43%	47%	35%	49%	48%	40%	39%
	Just somewhat important	22%	23%	12%	29%	26%	8%	9%	22%	31%
	Not important	6%	5%	10%	6%	8%	2%	1%	6%	9%
	[VOL] Dont know	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			CHILDREN IN HOME		RACE	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Yes	No	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth
5B. How important is it that a candidate for Congress shares your views on the issue in order for you to vote for them: Health care policy?	Extremely important	24%	35%	28%	29%	32%	28%	30%	28%	33%
	Very important	36%	48%	43%	40%	44%	41%	43%	41%	45%
	Just somewhat important	30%	14%	23%	25%	19%	25%	21%	25%	17%
	Not important	9%	2%	5%	6%	5%	6%	6%	6%	6%
	[VOL] Dont know	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%

		COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME		
		No degree	4 yr degree	White no degree	White college	<\$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+
5B. How important is it that a candidate for Congress shares your views on the issue in order for you to vote for them: Health care policy?	Extremely important	28%	34%	28%	29%	35%	28%	29%
	Very important	43%	40%	39%	42%	46%	41%	37%
	Just somewhat important	22%	23%	25%	26%	16%	20%	30%
	Not important	7%	2%	7%	3%	3%	10%	4%
	[VOL] Dont know	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%

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			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
5C. How important is it that a candidate for Congress shares your views on the issue in order for you to vote for them: Gun control policy?	Extremely important	32%	32%	32%	33%	30%	35%	32%	27%	37%
	Very important	34%	34%	36%	34%	31%	40%	36%	36%	31%
	Just somewhat important	21%	22%	10%	18%	24%	18%	25%	26%	15%
	Not important	12%	11%	21%	14%	14%	7%	6%	9%	17%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			CHILDREN IN HOME		RACE	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Yes	No	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth
5C. How important is it that a candidate for Congress shares your views on the issue in order for you to vote for them: Gun control policy?	Extremely important	30%	34%	30%	34%	33%	28%	34%	33%	32%
	Very important	30%	39%	31%	31%	40%	32%	35%	33%	35%
	Just somewhat important	22%	20%	24%	21%	17%	25%	19%	20%	21%
	Not important	18%	7%	14%	13%	10%	15%	11%	12%	11%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	0%

		COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME		
		No degree	4 yr degree	White no degree	White college	<\$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+
5C. How important is it that a candidate for Congress shares your views on the issue in order for you to vote for them: Gun control policy?	Extremely important	32%	33%	33%	32%	31%	35%	32%
	Very important	35%	32%	32%	36%	41%	36%	28%
	Just somewhat important	18%	26%	18%	25%	17%	16%	27%
	Not important	14%	8%	15%	8%	11%	13%	12%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	2%

		TOTAL	REGISTERED TO VOTE		PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		
			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
5D. How important is it that a candidate for Congress shares your views on the issue in order for you to vote for them: Abortion policy?	Extremely important	35%	34%	44%	29%	31%	48%	49%	28%	32%
	Very important	35%	36%	24%	39%	34%	33%	37%	29%	39%
	Just somewhat important	19%	20%	12%	20%	21%	15%	11%	30%	17%
	Not important	10%	9%	20%	11%	12%	4%	3%	12%	13%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%

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		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			CHILDREN IN HOME		RACE	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Yes	No	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth
5D. How important is it that a candidate for Congress shares your views on the issue in order for you to vote for them: Abortion policy?	Extremely important	27%	43%	35%	34%	35%	35%	35%	34%	38%
	Very important	32%	38%	36%	31%	38%	31%	37%	36%	33%
	Just somewhat important	26%	14%	17%	23%	18%	24%	18%	20%	19%
	Not important	15%	5%	11%	11%	8%	9%	10%	9%	10%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%

		COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME		
		No degree	4 yr degree	White no degree	White college	<\$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+
5D. How important is it that a candidate for Congress shares your views on the issue in order for you to vote for them: Abortion policy?	Extremely important	32%	40%	30%	41%	36%	30%	39%
	Very important	37%	31%	39%	31%	40%	35%	29%
	Just somewhat important	19%	21%	20%	22%	15%	22%	22%
	Not important	11%	8%	11%	6%	9%	10%	10%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%	2%	0%

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			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
5E. How important is it that a candidate for Congress shares your views on the issue in order for you to vote for them: Tax policy?	Extremely important	24%	23%	34%	25%	28%	18%	18%	20%	32%
	Very important	46%	48%	26%	54%	40%	46%	42%	44%	50%
	Just somewhat important	26%	24%	38%	18%	28%	31%	35%	32%	15%
	Not important	3%	3%	2%	2%	3%	3%	4%	3%	2%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			CHILDREN IN HOME		RACE	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Yes	No	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth
5E. How important is it that a candidate for Congress shares your views on the issue in order for you to vote for them: Tax policy?	Extremely important	26%	23%	25%	26%	23%	26%	24%	25%	24%
	Very important	45%	47%	38%	50%	48%	49%	45%	45%	47%
	Just somewhat important	25%	27%	34%	22%	23%	22%	27%	27%	25%
	Not important	3%	2%	2%	2%	4%	1%	3%	2%	4%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	1%	1%	0%	2%	2%	1%	2%	0%

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		COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME		
		No degree	4 yr degree	White no degree	White college	<\$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+
5E. How important is it that a candidate for Congress shares your views on the issue in order for you to vote for them: Tax policy?	Extremely important	26%	23%	28%	18%	22%	27%	26%
	Very important	47%	43%	43%	48%	48%	46%	42%
	Just somewhat important	23%	31%	25%	30%	26%	23%	28%
	Not important	3%	2%	2%	3%	3%	3%	3%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%

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			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
5F. How important is it that a candidate for Congress shares your views on the issue in order for you to vote for them: Economic policy?	Extremely important	31%	30%	35%	30%	37%	21%	19%	27%	41%
	Very important	48%	50%	37%	52%	45%	49%	53%	49%	46%
	Just somewhat important	19%	19%	19%	16%	15%	27%	25%	20%	12%
	Not important	1%	1%	3%	0%	2%	1%	1%	2%	0%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	1%	6%	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	0%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			CHILDREN IN HOME		RACE	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Yes	No	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth
5F. How important is it that a candidate for Congress shares your views on the issue in order for you to vote for them: Economic policy?	Extremely important	32%	30%	26%	34%	31%	32%	30%	29%	32%
	Very important	47%	50%	51%	45%	50%	47%	49%	50%	48%
	Just somewhat important	18%	19%	21%	19%	16%	20%	18%	19%	16%
	Not important	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	2%	1%	1%
	[VOL] Dont know	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	2%

		COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME		
		No degree	4 yr degree	White no degree	White college	<\$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+
5F. How important is it that a candidate for Congress shares your views on the issue in order for you to vote for them: Economic policy?	Extremely important	31%	29%	31%	25%	29%	36%	28%
	Very important	48%	49%	48%	54%	51%	44%	48%
	Just somewhat important	18%	20%	19%	20%	18%	16%	22%
	Not important	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	1%	1%	0%	2%	1%	1%

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			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
6. And which of the issues I just mentioned is most important to you in your vote choice for Congress?	Immigration policy	14%	15%	11%	25%	12%	5%	8%	9%	23%
	Health care policy	16%	16%	13%	6%	15%	27%	26%	19%	7%
	Gun control policy	9%	8%	13%	8%	8%	10%	8%	8%	11%
	Abortion policy	25%	23%	35%	17%	26%	32%	40%	21%	16%
	Tax policy	8%	8%	5%	8%	9%	5%	5%	9%	9%
	Economic policy	26%	26%	19%	34%	25%	17%	10%	30%	31%
	[VOL] Dont know	3%	3%	3%	2%	4%	4%	4%	4%	2%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			CHILDREN IN HOME		RACE	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Yes	No	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth
6. And which of the issues I just mentioned is most important to you in your vote choice for Congress?	Immigration policy	16%	12%	5%	13%	22%	9%	16%	18%	8%
	Health care policy	10%	21%	17%	17%	14%	14%	16%	14%	19%
	Gun control policy	10%	7%	7%	8%	11%	6%	9%	8%	10%
	Abortion policy	19%	30%	33%	17%	25%	23%	25%	21%	31%
	Tax policy	9%	7%	12%	8%	4%	10%	7%	10%	5%
	Economic policy	32%	20%	23%	34%	21%	34%	22%	25%	26%
	[VOL] Dont know	3%	3%	2%	3%	4%	3%	3%	4%	2%

		COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME		
		No degree	4 yr degree	White no degree	White college	<\$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+
6. And which of the issues I just mentioned is most important to you in your vote choice for Congress?	Immigration policy	17%	9%	22%	10%	17%	14%	10%
	Health care policy	14%	19%	12%	18%	15%	15%	17%
	Gun control policy	8%	11%	7%	9%	11%	8%	8%
	Abortion policy	25%	24%	19%	26%	28%	22%	24%
	Tax policy	8%	7%	12%	6%	6%	8%	11%
	Economic policy	25%	27%	24%	27%	20%	30%	28%
	[VOL] Dont know	3%	4%	4%	4%	4%	3%	2%

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			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
7. Would you say things in the country are going in the right direction, or have they gotten off on the wrong track?	Right direction	18%	17%	21%	9%	12%	35%	33%	20%	7%
	Wrong track	79%	80%	75%	89%	85%	59%	63%	75%	92%
	(VOL) Depends	2%	2%	0%	1%	2%	2%	3%	2%	0%
	[VOL] Dont know	2%	1%	3%	1%	1%	4%	2%	4%	0%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			CHILDREN IN HOME		RACE	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Yes	No	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth
7. Would you say things in the country are going in the right direction, or have they gotten off on the wrong track?	Right direction	19%	16%	14%	15%	22%	16%	18%	15%	23%
	Wrong track	77%	81%	84%	82%	74%	81%	79%	81%	75%
	(VOL) Depends	2%	1%	0%	1%	3%	1%	2%	2%	0%
	[VOL] Dont know	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%

		COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME		
		No degree	4 yr degree	White no degree	White college	<\$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+
7. Would you say things in the country are going in the right direction, or have they gotten off on the wrong track?	Right direction	15%	24%	12%	20%	20%	11%	21%
	Wrong track	82%	73%	84%	76%	77%	87%	75%
	(VOL) Depends	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%
	[VOL] Dont know	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	0%	2%

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			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
8A. Is it very easy, somewhat easy, somewhat difficult, or very difficult for you to pay for: Mortgage or rent payment?	Very easy	15%	15%	15%	13%	11%	23%	22%	16%	11%
	Somewhat easy	27%	28%	15%	27%	25%	28%	25%	28%	26%
	Somewhat difficult	22%	21%	27%	20%	24%	20%	24%	19%	24%
	Very difficult	15%	13%	32%	14%	19%	10%	14%	15%	16%
	Do not have this expense	21%	22%	11%	25%	20%	18%	15%	22%	23%
	[VOL] Dont know	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			CHILDREN IN HOME		RACE	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Yes	No	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth
8A. Is it very easy, somewhat easy, somewhat difficult, or very difficult for you to pay for: Mortgage or rent payment?	Very easy	17%	13%	12%	17%	16%	13%	16%	17%	13%
	Somewhat easy	29%	25%	29%	31%	21%	39%	22%	24%	31%
	Somewhat difficult	21%	23%	23%	30%	14%	30%	19%	21%	24%
	Very difficult	15%	16%	19%	10%	17%	12%	16%	12%	20%
	Do not have this expense	18%	24%	17%	12%	32%	5%	27%	25%	12%
	[VOL] Dont know	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%

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		COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME		
		No degree	4 yr degree	White no degree	White college	<\$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+
8A. Is it very easy, somewhat easy, somewhat difficult, or very difficult for you to pay for: Mortgage or rent payment?	Very easy	11%	23%	12%	25%	7%	13%	26%
	Somewhat easy	24%	31%	21%	31%	22%	22%	37%
	Somewhat difficult	23%	19%	23%	17%	19%	32%	17%
	Very difficult	18%	10%	15%	7%	27%	10%	6%
	Do not have this expense	23%	17%	29%	20%	25%	23%	13%
	[VOL] Dont know	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%

		TOTAL	REGISTERED TO VOTE		PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		
			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
8B. Is it very easy, somewhat easy, somewhat difficult, or very difficult for you to pay for: Grocery bills?	Very easy	18%	19%	14%	13%	17%	27%	26%	20%	12%
	Somewhat easy	29%	30%	23%	27%	27%	34%	33%	35%	21%
	Somewhat difficult	31%	31%	29%	30%	34%	27%	27%	31%	34%
	Very difficult	21%	20%	30%	28%	21%	12%	12%	12%	32%
	Do not have this expense	1%	1%	4%	2%	1%	0%	2%	2%	0%
	[VOL] Dont know	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			CHILDREN IN HOME		RACE	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Yes	No	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth
8B. Is it very easy, somewhat easy, somewhat difficult, or very difficult for you to pay for: Grocery bills?	Very easy	19%	17%	21%	18%	16%	16%	19%	20%	17%
	Somewhat easy	30%	27%	28%	30%	29%	34%	27%	30%	28%
	Somewhat difficult	31%	31%	30%	34%	29%	32%	31%	30%	33%
	Very difficult	18%	24%	18%	18%	25%	18%	22%	19%	21%
	Do not have this expense	1%	1%	3%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	2%
	[VOL] Dont know	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

		COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME		
		No degree	4 yr degree	White no degree	White college	<\$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+
8B. Is it very easy, somewhat easy, somewhat difficult, or very difficult for you to pay for: Grocery bills?	Very easy	14%	29%	15%	29%	8%	17%	32%
	Somewhat easy	27%	32%	28%	34%	23%	26%	37%
	Somewhat difficult	34%	24%	33%	25%	41%	36%	16%
	Very difficult	24%	15%	23%	12%	27%	21%	15%
	Do not have this expense	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%
	[VOL] Dont know	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

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			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
8C. Is it very easy, somewhat easy, somewhat difficult, or very difficult for you to pay for: Health insurance premiums?	Very easy	18%	18%	15%	15%	14%	28%	28%	18%	13%
	Somewhat easy	21%	22%	11%	20%	20%	22%	18%	25%	18%
	Somewhat difficult	25%	25%	31%	26%	30%	16%	16%	25%	32%
	Very difficult	23%	22%	29%	25%	24%	18%	24%	18%	24%
	Do not have this expense	12%	12%	14%	12%	11%	15%	13%	14%	11%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			CHILDREN IN HOME		RACE	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Yes	No	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth
8C. Is it very easy, somewhat easy, somewhat difficult, or very difficult for you to pay for: Health insurance premiums?	Very easy	21%	15%	16%	20%	18%	22%	17%	19%	17%
	Somewhat easy	23%	18%	18%	23%	20%	22%	20%	22%	19%
	Somewhat difficult	25%	25%	25%	26%	25%	31%	23%	25%	26%
	Very difficult	18%	28%	26%	22%	22%	18%	25%	21%	24%
	Do not have this expense	11%	14%	14%	9%	14%	7%	14%	12%	14%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%

		COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME		
		No degree	4 yr degree	White no degree	White college	<\$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+
8C. Is it very easy, somewhat easy, somewhat difficult, or very difficult for you to pay for: Health insurance premiums?	Very easy	15%	25%	15%	27%	9%	19%	28%
	Somewhat easy	16%	29%	18%	28%	14%	22%	26%
	Somewhat difficult	28%	20%	26%	21%	26%	28%	23%
	Very difficult	25%	18%	24%	15%	30%	22%	15%
	Do not have this expense	14%	8%	15%	8%	20%	8%	7%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	0%	2%	0%	2%	0%	0%

		TOTAL	REGISTERED TO VOTE		PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		
			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
8D. Is it very easy, somewhat easy, somewhat difficult, or very difficult for you to pay for: Health care deductibles and out of pocket expenses?	Very easy	16%	15%	20%	8%	15%	26%	25%	14%	12%
	Somewhat easy	23%	25%	12%	27%	19%	26%	21%	27%	23%
	Somewhat difficult	24%	25%	19%	25%	29%	16%	23%	20%	29%
	Very difficult	27%	25%	43%	28%	29%	21%	23%	26%	28%
	Do not have this expense	10%	10%	6%	11%	8%	12%	9%	13%	8%
	[VOL] Dont know	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

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		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			CHILDREN IN HOME		RACE	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Yes	No	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth
8D. Is it very easy, somewhat easy, somewhat difficult, or very difficult for you to pay for: Health care deductibles and out of pocket expenses?	Very easy	18%	14%	15%	13%	19%	18%	15%	16%	16%
	Somewhat easy	26%	20%	17%	29%	24%	26%	22%	23%	24%
	Somewhat difficult	24%	24%	23%	27%	23%	26%	23%	25%	23%
	Very difficult	21%	32%	34%	23%	24%	21%	29%	26%	26%
	Do not have this expense	10%	10%	11%	9%	10%	8%	10%	9%	11%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%

		COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME		
		No degree	4 yr degree	White no degree	White college	<\$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+
8D. Is it very easy, somewhat easy, somewhat difficult, or very difficult for you to pay for: Health care deductibles and out of pocket expenses?	Very easy	13%	23%	11%	26%	7%	15%	27%
	Somewhat easy	22%	27%	22%	26%	20%	23%	29%
	Somewhat difficult	23%	25%	23%	27%	24%	27%	19%
	Very difficult	31%	18%	33%	14%	37%	25%	18%
	Do not have this expense	11%	7%	10%	8%	12%	9%	7%
	[VOL] Dont know	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

		TOTAL	REGISTERED TO VOTE		PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		
			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
8E. Is it very easy, somewhat easy, somewhat difficult, or very difficult for you to pay for: Paying taxes?	Very easy	15%	15%	22%	13%	12%	25%	31%	13%	8%
	Somewhat easy	27%	29%	9%	21%	29%	31%	34%	28%	22%
	Somewhat difficult	28%	29%	23%	32%	30%	20%	14%	32%	34%
	Very difficult	23%	22%	35%	27%	25%	15%	16%	20%	29%
	Do not have this expense	5%	5%	11%	5%	4%	8%	5%	6%	4%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	1%	0%	3%	0%	0%	0%	1%	2%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			CHILDREN IN HOME		RACE	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Yes	No	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth
8E. Is it very easy, somewhat easy, somewhat difficult, or very difficult for you to pay for: Paying taxes?	Very easy	16%	15%	20%	14%	14%	14%	16%	17%	14%
	Somewhat easy	30%	24%	25%	28%	27%	35%	24%	27%	27%
	Somewhat difficult	27%	30%	25%	33%	26%	29%	28%	30%	25%
	Very difficult	23%	23%	22%	22%	25%	19%	25%	21%	26%
	Do not have this expense	4%	6%	6%	2%	6%	1%	6%	4%	8%
	[VOL] Dont know	0%	1%	2%	0%	1%	2%	1%	1%	0%

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		COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME		
		No degree	4 yr degree	White no degree	White college	<\$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+
8E. Is it very easy, somewhat easy, somewhat difficult, or very difficult for you to pay for: Paying taxes?	Very easy	12%	23%	14%	24%	10%	17%	21%
	Somewhat easy	25%	31%	24%	34%	22%	32%	29%
	Somewhat difficult	27%	30%	31%	28%	28%	25%	31%
	Very difficult	27%	15%	25%	13%	30%	22%	18%
	Do not have this expense	7%	1%	5%	1%	10%	2%	1%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	0%	2%	0%	1%	2%	0%

		TOTAL	REGISTERED TO VOTE		PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		
			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
8F. Is it very easy, somewhat easy, somewhat difficult, or very difficult for you to pay for: Gas for your car?	Very easy	13%	14%	4%	9%	12%	18%	18%	18%	6%
	Somewhat easy	21%	22%	8%	20%	19%	26%	23%	24%	16%
	Somewhat difficult	26%	26%	22%	24%	28%	26%	27%	26%	27%
	Very difficult	32%	31%	38%	43%	33%	18%	14%	27%	45%
	Do not have this expense	8%	6%	28%	4%	9%	11%	17%	6%	6%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	2%	2%	0%	0%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			CHILDREN IN HOME		RACE	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Yes	No	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth
8F. Is it very easy, somewhat easy, somewhat difficult, or very difficult for you to pay for: Gas for your car?	Very easy	12%	13%	10%	15%	13%	15%	12%	14%	11%
	Somewhat easy	23%	18%	21%	22%	20%	22%	20%	23%	17%
	Somewhat difficult	24%	28%	27%	26%	25%	32%	24%	25%	28%
	Very difficult	31%	32%	31%	32%	33%	27%	34%	30%	33%
	Do not have this expense	8%	8%	11%	5%	8%	4%	10%	7%	10%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%

		COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME		
		No degree	4 yr degree	White no degree	White college	<\$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+
8F. Is it very easy, somewhat easy, somewhat difficult, or very difficult for you to pay for: Gas for your car?	Very easy	8%	22%	10%	21%	5%	8%	25%
	Somewhat easy	18%	26%	19%	31%	14%	24%	24%
	Somewhat difficult	26%	26%	25%	26%	23%	29%	24%
	Very difficult	37%	20%	37%	17%	40%	33%	25%
	Do not have this expense	10%	5%	9%	4%	18%	4%	2%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%