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## SURVEY METHOD

This survey was conducted online within the United States from Field Dates: June 15-17, 2021 among 2,006 registered voters by The Harris Poll.

Results were weighted for age within gender, region, race/ethnicity, marital status, household size, income, employment, education, political party, and political ideology where necessary to align them with their actual proportions in the population. Propensity score weighting was also used to adjust for respondents' propensity to be online.

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## APPROVAL AND MOOD OF COUNTRY

\% Who Say "Right Track"

## MAJORITY OF VOTERS NOW SAY THE COUNTRY IS ON THE RIGHT TRACK

|  | $10 / 20$ | $01 / 21$ | $02 / 21$ | $03 / 21$ | $04 / 21$ | $5 / 21$ | $6 / 21$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| GOP | $64 \%$ | $34 \%$ | $26 \%$ | $24 \%$ | $25 \%$ | $27 \%$ | $32 \%$ |
| DEM | $13 \%$ | $27 \%$ | $68 \%$ | $73 \%$ | $75 \%$ | $76 \%$ | $81 \%$ |
| IND | $23 \%$ | $19 \%$ | $34 \%$ | $39 \%$ | $41 \%$ | $36 \%$ | $44 \%$ |



## VOTERS SAY THE ECONOMY IS ON THE RIGHT TRACK AS WELL

|  | $10 / 20$ | $01 / 21$ | $02 / 21$ | $03 / 21$ | $04 / 21$ | $5 / 21$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $6 / 21$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| GOP | $68 \%$ | $39 \%$ | $26 \%$ | $25 \%$ | $28 \%$ | $27 \%$ |
| DEM | $17 \%$ | $25 \%$ | $60 \%$ | $64 \%$ | $70 \%$ | $76 \%$ |
| IND | $26 \%$ | $23 \%$ | $34 \%$ | $34 \%$ | $39 \%$ | $36 \%$ |

## US Economy: Right Track / Wrong Track



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\begin{aligned}
& \rightarrow \text { Right track } \rightarrow \text { Wrong track } \rightarrow \text { Don't know / Unsure }
\end{aligned}
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## VOTERS INCREASINGLY SEE THE STRENGTH OF THE ECONOMY AS INCREASING, BUT WE'RE NOT YET AT PRE-PANDEMIC LEVELS

## How strong do you think the U.S. economy is today?


$10 \%$
0\%

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\begin{aligned}
& \rightarrow \text { Strong } \rightarrow \text { Weak }
\end{aligned}
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## VOTERS' FINANCIAL SITUATION CONTINUES TO IMPROVE; WE'RE NOTING A 10-POINT INCREASE SINCE JANUARY

Would you say that your personal financial situation is improving or getting worse?


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$\rightarrow$ Improving $\rightarrow$ Getting worse $\rightarrow$ Just as well off $\rightarrow$ No opinion

## BIDEN'S APPROVAL RATING IS STARTING TO SHIFT, BUT STILL HIGH

President Biden Overall Approval

| 57\% | $\begin{aligned} & 59 \% \\ & \text { (with } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { 61\% } \\ \text { option) } \end{gathered}$ | 59\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 33\% | 33\% | 30\% | 33\% | ■ Strongly approve |
| 24\% | 26\% | 30\% | 26\% | Somewhat approve |
|  |  |  |  | $\square$ Somewhat disapprove |
| 9\% | 9\% | 10\% | 11\% |  |
|  |  |  |  | - Strongly disapprove |
| 30\% | 29\% | 26\% | 23\% | $\square$ Not sure |
| 4\% | 4\% | 3\% | 7\% |  |
| Mar 21 | Apr 21 | May 21 | Jun 21 |  |

## VOTERS CREDIT BIDEN IN MANY AREAS, IN PARTICULAR HANDLING COVID-19 AND ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT

## Approve Biden on... (Strongly or Somewhat Approve)

|  | January 2021 <br> (Trump) | February 2021 (Biden) | March 2021 | April 2021 | May 2021 | June 2021 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The Economy | 56\% | 61\% | 60\% | 60\% | 62\% | 61\% |
| Stimulating Jobs | 58\% | 58\% | 59\% | 59\% | 62\% | 61\% |
| Fighting Terrorism | 55\% | 59\% | 59\% | 58\% | 59\% | 59\% |
| Immigration | 52\% | 56\% | 48\% | 52\% | 53\% | 52\% |
| Foreign Affairs | 52\% | 61\% | 56\% | 58\% | 58\% | 59\% |
| Administering the Gov't | 49\% | 62\% | 60\% | 62\% | 61\% | 62\% |
| Reacting to coronavirus | 47\% | 68\% | 71\% | 69\% | 70\% | 69\% |
| Dealing with violence and crime in the country |  |  |  | 55\% | 56\% | 56\% |

## GOP APPROVAL IS NOW AT 53 PERCENT, CONTINUING A 10-POINT INCREASE SINCE JANUARY

## GOP Approval



## DEMOCRATIC PARTY APPROVAL IS STEADY AT 55 PERCENT

## Democratic Party Approval



## CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL IS NOW ABOVE 50 PERCENT AS WELL

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Congress is doing its job?


## CORONAVIRUS REMAINS THE TOP ISSUE FACING THE COUNTRY; HEALTHCARE, JOBS AND CYBERSECURITY SAW INCREASES

What would you say are the most important issues facing the country today? Please select three.


## BIDEN IS NET FAVORABLE IN EYES OF VOTERS; VOTERS ARE SPLIT ON KAMALA HARRIS



[^0]F1 Now we will show you some names. Please indicate if you have a favorable or unfavorable view of that person - or if you've never heard of them.

## GOVERNMENT INSTITUTIONS TOP LIST OF FAVORABLE INSTITUTIONS; ISRAEL HAS A NET FAVORABLE VIEW IN THE US



## BIDEN ADMINISTRATION

## CONCERN ABOUT INFLATION IS AT A HIGHER POINT THAN CONFIDENCE IN THE ABILITY OF THE FED OR THE BIDEN ADMINISTRATION TO CURB IT

Are you concerned or not concerned about increased inflation?

\%

How confident are you in the Federal Reserve's ability to keep inflation at bay?

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■ Very confident

■ Somewhat confident

■ Not confident

■ Not at all confident

How confident are you in the Biden Administration's ability to keep inflation at bay?

21\%
\%

## A MAJORITY OF VOTERS SAY THE IMPROVED ECONOMY IS DUE TO VACCINATIONS

Do you think the economy is improving primarily because of the policies of the Biden administration or primarily because we have a vaccine?


## HEALTHCARE AND INFRASTRUCTURE ARE THE TOP PRIORITIES THAT VOTERS WANT BIDEN TO ADDRESS

## Which issue do you want the Biden administration to tackle next? <br> Select your second choice



- Choice 2


## VOTERS BELIEVE AN INFRASTRUCTURE BILL IS LIKELY TO BE PASSED THIS SUMMER AND WANT THE BIDEN ADMINISTRATION TO ACCEPT THE BIPARTISAN DEAL

How likely or unlikely is it that an infrastructure reform bill will be passed by Congress over the summer?

Should the Biden administration accept a $\$ 1.2$ trillion dollar infrastructure deal reached by a bipartisan group of Senators which provides for half the spending the administration wants but does not include new taxes OR should the Biden administration hol

78\%

Hold off for a larger bill
22\%
\%

## VOTERS ARE SPLIT ON WHETHER OR NOT THERE SHOULD BE ANOTHER \$2 TRILLION IN A SOCIAL SPENDING

If $\$ 1$ trillion dollars or more is approved for infrastructure, should there be a separate $\mathbf{\$ 2}$ trillion bill for social spending in addition, or should any additional spending be delayed?

Do you think that the gasoline tax should be indexed to inflation or not indexed to inflation?

Indexed to inflation


Not indexed to inflation


## MOST VOTERS WANT TO STEER AWAY FROM SANDERS-LIKE SPENDING IN FAVOR OF MORE MODERATION, BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENTS

## In general, which is closer to your view:



The Bernie Sanders wing of the Democratic Party wants to spend $\$ 4$ trillion dollars and raise taxes. Should the Biden administration go along with what Sanders wants or compromise with the Republicans
to spend less and hold the line on taxes?


Compromise with
Republicans, spend less
and hold the line on
57\%
taxes

## VOTERS WANT LEGISLATORS TO TAKE THEIR TIME WITH THE INFRASTRUCTURE BILL TO ENSURE IT IS BIPARTISAN; OVERALL THEY BELIEVE INFRASTRUCTURE WILL BE GOOD FOR THE ECONOMY

Is it more important an infrastructure plan be passed as quicky as possible or that it passes with support from both Democrats and Republicans?


Passed as quickly as possible

Do you think the Biden administration's \$4 trillion spending proposals on infrastructure and social welfare will help the economy bounce back stronger and grow faster or do they risk derailing the economy through deficit spending, inflation, and new taxes?

Will help the economy


FACEBOOK/TRUMP

## VOTERS ARE SPLIT ON THE CENSORING LAB LEAK POSTS; BELIEVE FACEBOOK CENSORS CONSERVATIVES MORE OFTEN THAN LIBERALS

Was Facebook right or wrong to censor any posts that suggested that the virus may have originated in a laboratory in China?


More often from conservatives


|  | Republican | Democrat | Independent | Other |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Right | $34 \%$ | $68 \%$ | $42 \%$ | $34 \%$ |
| Wrong | $66 \%$ | $32 \%$ | $58 \%$ | $66 \%$ |

Is Facebook is censoring posts more often from conservatives, more often from the left, or does it apply standards equally?


## VOTERS SAY FACEBOOK IS CENSORING POSTS TOO OFTEN; THINK FACEBOOK EDITORS IMPOSE THEIR OWN IDEOLOGY WHEN CENSORING POSTS

Do you think that Facebook is censoring posts too often, about right or not enough?


Do you think the editors at Facebook are trying to impose their ideology on people or are they neutral in their approach to censoring posts?


## VOTERS BELIEVE HAMAS SHOULD BE BANNED FROM THE PLATFORM

Should Facebook allow Hamas, a Middle East terrorist group, to post on Facebook or should it remove all of its posts and ban the organization?

| Allow to post | 34\% |  | Republican | Democrat | Independent | Other |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Allow | 27\% | 41\% | 30\% | 42\% |
|  |  | Remove \& Ban | 73\% | 59\% | 70\% | 58\% |
|  | 66\% |  | 18-34 | 35-49 | 50-64 | $65+$ |
| Remove all posts and ban |  | Allow | 50\% | 42\% | 22\% | 18\% |
|  |  | Remove \& Ban | 50\% | 58\% | 78\% | 82\% |

## MAJORITY OF VOTERS THINK FACEBOOK CENSORSHIP EXTENDS TO EVERYDAY POLITICAL ISSUES; VOTERS ARE SPLIT ON REMOVAL OF POLITICAL CANDIDATE POSTS

Do you think that censorship on Facebook has been confined to hate speech or have they broadened censorship to everyday political issues?


Everyday political issues
 52\% 38\% 51\%

|  | Republican | Democrat | Independent | Other |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Hate Speech | $32 \%$ | $52 \%$ | $38 \%$ | $51 \%$ |
| Everyday <br> political issues | $68 \%$ | $48 \%$ | $62 \%$ | $49 \%$ |

Should political candidates be allowed to post without interference on social media or should their posts be subject to removal based on fact checking and other grounds?

Should be allowed to
post without
interference

Their posts should be
subject to removal


|  | Republican | Democrat | Independent | Other |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Post W/O <br> interference | $58 \%$ | $43 \%$ | $45 \%$ | $41 \%$ |
| Subject to <br> Removal | $42 \%$ | $57 \%$ | $55 \%$ | $59 \%$ |

## VOTERS ARE SPLIT ON FACEBOOK'S TRUMP BAN; SLIGHT MAJORITY THINK FACEBOOK IS A PUBLISHER WITH A VIEWPOINT

What should Facebook do with Donald Trump's account?


12\%

Is Facebook now more of an open platform or more of a publisher with a viewpoint on issues?

|  | Republican | Democrat | Independent | Other |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| It should be reinstated now | 58\% | 16\% | 28\% | 25\% |
| It should be reinstated in a year | 7\% | 13\% | 12\% | 0\% |
| They should reevaluate re-instatement in two years | 15\% | 17\% | 19\% | 12\% |
| It should be permanently banned | 7\% | 46\% | 27\% | 36\% |
| Not sure | 13\% | 9\% | 14\% | 27\% |

## A MAJORITY OF VOTERS THINK FACEBOOK SHOULD ONLY HAVE LEGAL IMMUNITY IF ITS PLATFORM IS COMPLETELY OPEN

## Should Facebook have immunity from litigation for removing anything from its platform it disagrees with or should it have immunity from litigation only if it maintains an open platform?

Should have immunity from litigation for removing
from its platform anything it disagrees with
45\%

Should it have immunity from litigation only if it
maintains an open platform


IMMIGRATION/KAMALA HARRIS

## MOST VOTERS THINK ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION IS A SERIOUS ISSUE; BELIEVE NUMBER OF MONTHLY ILLEGAL BORDER CROSSINGS HAS INCREASED UNDER BIDEN

How serious of an issue do you think illegal immigration is for the country right now?


Do you think the number of monthly border crossings by illegal immigrants has increased, decreased, or stayed the same since President

Biden took office?


## VOTERS SIGNIFICANTLY UNDERESTIMATE NUMBER OF NEW ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS COMING INTO THE COUNTRY; A MAJORITY SUPPORT STRICTER BORDER POLICIES

How many border crossings of illegal immigrants would you say are occurring every month in the United States right now?

Less than 10,000 per month
21\%
Between 10,000 and 50,000 per month 31\%

Between 50,000 and 100,000 per month

## 19\%

$13 \%$
Between 150,000 and 200,000 per month 7\%
Between 200,000 and 250,000 per month $\mathbf{2 \%}$
Over 250,000 per month $6 \%$

| Less than 10,000 per month | 21\% |
| :---: | :---: |
| Between 10,000 and 50,000 per month | 31\% |
| Between 50,000 and 100,000 per month | 19\% |
| Between 100,000 and 150,000 per month | 13\% |
| Between 150,000 and 200,000 per month | 7\% |
| Between 200,000 and 250,000 per month | 2\% |
| Over 250,000 per month | 6\% |

14: About 200,000 immigrants are crossing the Southern Border each month or about 2.4 million coming in illegally each year. Given these numbers, should the administration continue its current policies or issue new, stricter policies to reduce the flow of

Issue new, stricter policies to reduce the flow of people across the border

## 64\%

## MOST VOTERS THINK BIDEN IMMIGRATION ORDERS WILL ENCOURAGE ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION; A MAJORITY SUPPORT MAINTAINING TRUMP BORDER POLICIES

Do you think the Biden Administration executive orders on immigration encourage or discourage illegal immigration?


Do you think that the Biden administration should have undone all of the Trump administration executive orders on immigration, or should the Biden administration have left those Trump policies that made it more difficult to come into the country in place?


VOTERS ARE SPLIT ON WHETHER BIDEN IS CREATING AN OPEN BORDER OR NOT; A MAJORITY THINK BIDEN’S BORDER POLICY WILL INCREASE FLOW OF DRUGS AND CRIME

Is the Biden administration creating an open border or is it just trying to enforce immigration laws more humanely?


Do you think the Biden border policies are increasing the flow or drugs and crime to the United States or are those policies simply treating people more humanely?


## VOTERS BELIEVE THE FLOOD OF TENS OF THOUSANDS OF UNACCOMPANIED MINOR CHILDREN IS THE FAULT OF THE BIDEN ADMINISTRATION; SUPPORT TURNING ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS BACK TO MEXICO

Is the flood of tens of thousands of unaccompanied minor children the fault of the Biden administration or the Trump administration?


## VOTERS RATE KAMALA HARRIS' PERFORMANCE ON IMMIGRATION AS POOR AND ARE SPLIT ON WHETHER THE CENTRAL AMERICA TRIP MADE ANY PROGRESS

Do you think vice president Kamala Harris has done a good job, adequate job, or a bad job tackling the root causes of illegal immigration?


Did vice president Kamala Harris make meaningful progress, some progress, or no progress in tackling the root causes of illegal immigration in her recent

Central American trip?


## VOTERS THINK HARRIS SHOULD HAVE VISITED THE BORDER ON HER IMMIGRATION TRIP; THEY ARE SPLIT ON WHETHER BIDEN AND HARRIS SHOULD HAVE ALREADY VISITED THE BORDER OR NOT

Do you think vice president Harris should have visited the border as part of her recent immigration trip of not?

$\square$ Yes ■ No

Is it appropriate or not appropriate that president Biden and VP Harris have not yet visited the southern border in their first five months in office?


## VOTERS THINK SURGE OF IMMIGRANTS IS A CRISIS THAT MUST BE ADDRESSED IMMEDIATELY; A MAJORITY DISAGREES THAT CLIMATE CHANGE, RACISM, SEXISM ARE ROOT CAUSES OF MIGRATION

Is the current surge in illegal immigrants at the border a crisis that needs to be addressed immediately or is it something that can be dealt with by the immigration system we have currently in place?

Do you think climate change, racism and sexism are root causes of migration from South and Central America or are they not the root causes?

Climate change, racism
and sexism are root
causes of migration

They are not root causes
44\%


FOREIGN POLICY/RUSSIA

## LARGE MAJORITY OF AMERICANS CONSIDER RUSSIA AND CHINA ADVERSARIES OF THE U.S., VOTERS SPLIT ON TRUMP'S RUSSIA POLICIES

Do you consider Russia/China to be an ally or adversary of the United States?


## VOTERS VIEW BOTH TRUMP AND BIDEN AS BEING LENIENT RATHER THAN TOUGH ON RUSSIA

Do you think president Trump was too easy, too hard, or about right in his handling of

Russia in the last four years?


Do you think president Biden is too easy, too hard, or just about right in how he's dealing with Russia today?


## VOTERS ARE SPLIT ON WHETHER BIDEN MADE PROGRESS WITH HIS FACE-TO-FACE MEETING WITH PUTIN

Do you think president Biden made meaningful progress, some progress, or no progress with his face-to-face meeting with Russian president Vladimir this week?


## MAJORITY OF VOTERS FAVOR A HARDER STANCE ON RUSSIAN CYBER ATTACKS

Do you think president Biden should come down hard on Russia when it engages in cyber attacks or other actions that threaten US interests at home or abroad OR should the Biden administration work towards better relations with Russia in order to engage it


EDUCATION

## A MAJORITY OF VOTERS OPPOSE TEACHING STRUCTURAL RACISM IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Do you believe that kids in elementary school should be taught that America is structurally racist and is dominated by white supremacy or should they not be taught this?

Should be taught that<br>America is structurally<br>racist

Should not be taught this $\square$

## STRONG MAJORITY OF AMERICANS IN FAVOR OF TEACHING 1 ${ }^{\text {ST }}$ AMENDMENT IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Should elementary school students be taught about the first amendment and importance of free speech or not be taught this?

Should be taught about the First Amendment

## Should not be taught this 19\%

## COVID19 \& VACCINES

## MAJORITY OF VOTERS THINK COVID ESCAPED FROM A CHINESE LAB; THEY BELIEVE NIH FUNDED "GAIN OF FUNCTION" RESEARCH

Do you think that the virus originated from an animal market naturally or escaped from a laboratory in China?


Escaped from a
laboratory in China


Do you think that Anthony Fauci and the National Institute of Health funded gain of function research that takes naturally occurring viruses and makes them more powerful or did they not fund such research?


## VOTERS THINK FAUCI, NIH FUNDED WUHAN INSTITUTE RESEARCH; SAY FACEBOOK IS CENSORING POSTS TOO OFTEN ON THIS TOPIC

## Do you think that Anthony Fauci and the National Institutes of Health funded virus research in the Wuhan Institute of Virology or did not fund such

 research?

## AMERICANS ARE HAPPY WITH THE PACE AND EFFICACY OF THE VACCINE ROLLOUT

Is the coronavirus vaccine being rolled out faster than you expected, slower than you expected, or at about the speed you expected?

How would you rate the vaccine roll out so far?


## MOST AMERICANS TODAY ARE VACCINATED; MAJORITY OF UNVACCINATED VOTERS UNWILLING TO TAKE VACCINE

Have you taken the COVID-19 vaccine?


Are you personally willing to take the vaccine if offered or not willing to take it?


## MOST VOTERS THINK COVID CASES ARE DECLINING; AMONG THOSE UNWILLING TO VACCINATE, SIDE EFFECTS ARE PRIMARY CONCERN

Why are you not willing to take the vaccine? Please select all that apply. (Among Unwilling)


Do you think new cases of the virus are growing, declining, or staying the same?


## MOST AMERICANS THINK THE ECONOMY IS RECOVERING FROM COVID; SPLIT ON MANDATORY VACCINATION

Do you think the economy is recovering from the pandemic or still contracting from the pandemic?


Would you favor or oppose a law that required people to be vaccinated?


## AMERICANS ARE IN FAVOR OF RETURN TO IN-PERSON WORK; MAJORITY ALSO SUPPORT OFFICIAL VACCINE CARD

Do you think people should return to working in their offices or not?

Return to working in
their offices

Not return to working in
offices


Do you think that the government should create an official vaccine card verifying whether someone has been vaccinated or should there be no official vaccine card?


There should be no official card


[^0]:    BASE: Registered Voters ( $n=2,006$ )

