

CBS News Poll – December 27-30, 2021

Adults in the U.S.



Sample 2,063 Adults in the U.S.

Margin of Error $\pm 2.6\%$

1. In the U.S. today, do you think democracy and the rule of law is...?

Very secure	7%
Somewhat secure	26%
Somewhat threatened	36%
Very threatened	30%

2. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the actions taken by the people who forced their way into the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021?

Strongly approve	4%
Somewhat approve	13%
Somewhat disapprove	23%
Strongly disapprove	60%

3. Thinking about the people who forced their way into the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021. Would you describe their actions as...

	Yes	No
Insurrection	55%	45%
Patriotism	26%	74%
Trying to overthrow the U.S. government	54%	46%
Trying to overturn the election and keep Donald Trump in power	63%	37%
Defending freedom	28%	72%
A protest that went too far	76%	24%

4. In what way specifically was it [patriotism] [or] [defending freedom]? Is it because you believe they were...

Among those who thought the actions of the people who forced their way into the U.S. Capitol were either patriotism or defending freedom

	Yes	No
Standing up for Donald Trump	64%	36%
Trying to stop the Electoral vote count	35%	65%
Drawing attention to fraud in the 2020 election	79%	21%
Exercising their right to protest	82%	18%
Targeting Democrats and those disloyal to Donald Trump	35%	65%

5. Do you think most of the people who forced their way into the U.S. Capitol on January 6th were...

Trump supporters, and typical of most Trump supporters nationwide	41%
Trump supporters, but not typical of most Trump supporters nationwide	38%
Left-leaning groups pretending to be Trump supporters	21%

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6. Has the Democratic Party's reaction to January 6th events generally been...

Too supportive	3%
Not supportive enough	8%
About right	35%
Too critical	30%
Not critical enough	24%

7. Has the Republican Party's reaction to January 6th events generally been...

Too supportive	17%
Not supportive enough	17%
About right	29%
Too critical	8%
Not critical enough	29%

8. Do you generally think of the events of January 6th as...

A sign of increasing political violence in America	68%
An isolated incident not related to political violence in America	32%

9. Earlier you said you felt democracy was threatened. What threatens it? Which of these are major, minor, or not threats?

Among those who think democracy and the rule of law is threatened

	Major	Minor	Not a threat
People are not getting the policies they want	52%	36%	12%
People voting or casting ballots illegally	46%	21%	33%
People trying to overturn or change elections	66%	21%	13%
The potential for political violence	68%	25%	7%
The government has too much power	57%	25%	18%
The influence of money in politics	83%	13%	4%
Most people don't have a say	62%	27%	10%

10. Should Congress be investigating elected representatives and other public officials to see if they had a role in the January 6th events, or should Congress drop the matter and not investigate that?

Investigate it	67%
Drop it	33%

15. What would you like to see Donald Trump do right now?

Wait for 2024 and run for President again then	26%
Fight to be put back into the Presidency right now, before the next Presidential election ..	12%
Not seek the Presidency again at all	62%

16. And should he try to become President again right now through...

Among those who think Trump should fight to be put back into presidency now

	Yes	No
Legal channels	75%	25%
Force if necessary	36%	64%

17. Suppose some people called for the use of force or violence to try to achieve political or policy goals. Are any of these issues so important that use of force might be justified depending on the situation, or would force never be justified?

	Might be justified	Never justified
Election results	28%	72%
Abortion policies	24%	76%
Gun policies	29%	71%
Vaccine and coronavirus policies	26%	74%
Civil rights and equality issues	35%	65%
Labor issues	27%	73%

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18. For elected officials or candidates trying to achieve political or policy goals, might it ever be justified for them to do these things depending on the situation, or would it never be justified?

	Might be justified	Never justified
Lying to the media or press	17%	83%
Lying to voters	14%	86%
Insulting people in public	20%	80%
Calling for violence in public speeches	14%	86%

19. And is that generally because you feel that approach:

Among those who think elected officials or candidates might ever be justified in calling for violence

Can be acceptable in itself	46%
Can be justified because opponents do it, or do things that are worse	54%

20. For private citizens trying to achieve political or policy goals, might it ever be justified for them to do these things depending on the situation, or would it never be justified?

	Might be justified	Never justified
Forming citizen militias	30%	70%
Insulting people or officials in public	31%	69%
Intimidating people or threatening them with violence	13%	87%
Causing physical harm or injury	13%	87%
Vandalizing or damaging someone's property	13%	87%

21. Do you think the next few years will see...

An increase in political violence in the U.S.	57%
A decrease in political violence in the U.S.	10%
The same amount as there already is	33%

22. In future presidential elections, do you expect that the losing side will accept their losses peacefully, or do you expect there to be violence over those losses?

Expect peace	38%
Expect violence	62%

23. And if that is your side or your party that doesn't win, would you be in favor of that force or violence?

Among those who expect violence from losers of future elections

Yes	2%
No	72%
It depends on the circumstance	25%

24. Right now, would you favor or oppose dividing the United States into two separate countries where one is made up of "blue" Democratic states and the other is made up of "red" Republican states?

Strongly favor	7%
Somewhat favor	16%
Somewhat oppose	21%
Strongly oppose	56%

25. Regardless of who you wanted to win, do you consider Joe Biden as the legitimate winner of the 2020 presidential election - that is, that Biden was the choice of more voters, with more legally-cast votes, in enough states to be elected - or not?

Yes, I consider Biden legitimate winner	66%
No, I do not consider Biden the legitimate winner	34%

26. In the 2020 presidential election, do you think there was...

Widespread voter fraud and irregularities	31%
A few isolated incidents of voter fraud and irregularities	44%
No voter fraud or irregularities	25%

28. When you think about Democrats, do you tend to think of them as

Among those who identify as Republicans

Political opposition - that is, if they win, you just won't get the policies you want	52%
Enemies - that is, if they win, your life or your entire way of life may be threatened	48%

29. When you think about Republicans, do you tend to think of them as

Among those who identify as Democrats

Political opposition - that is, if they win, you just won't get the policies you want	57%
Enemies - that is, if they win, your life or your entire way of life may be threatened	43%

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1. Democracy Secure or Threatened

In the U.S. today, do you think democracy and the rule of law is...?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very secure	7%	10%	5%	12%	9%	6%	3%	9%	9%	5%
Somewhat secure	26%	26%	26%	33%	35%	21%	16%	26%	30%	19%
Somewhat threatened	36%	31%	41%	41%	33%	37%	34%	38%	37%	31%
Very threatened	30%	32%	28%	14%	23%	36%	46%	27%	24%	45%
Totals	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,059)	(1,009)	(1,050)	(436)	(517)	(669)	(437)	(569)	(672)	(604)

	Total	2020 Vote		Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
		Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Very secure	7%	6%	4%	10%	8%	5%	5%	12%	12%	4%	7%
Somewhat secure	26%	25%	17%	30%	24%	21%	23%	29%	34%	23%	22%
Somewhat threatened	36%	37%	31%	36%	37%	33%	36%	36%	37%	37%	34%
Very threatened	30%	32%	48%	24%	31%	41%	36%	23%	17%	36%	36%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	(2,059)	(659)	(602)	(684)	(666)	(574)	(1,290)	(258)	(331)	(805)	(485)

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2. Approve of Actions

Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the actions taken by the people who forced their way into the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021?

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Strongly approve	4%	6%	4%	6%	8%	3%	3%	4%	4%	6%
Somewhat approve	13%	14%	11%	19%	12%	11%	10%	8%	13%	18%
Somewhat disapprove	23%	22%	23%	22%	21%	21%	27%	7%	19%	39%
Strongly disapprove	60%	58%	62%	53%	59%	65%	60%	80%	64%	36%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%
Weighted N	(2,051)	(1,001)	(1,051)	(435)	(518)	(664)	(435)	(568)	(670)	(602)

	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Strongly approve	4%	2%	7%	3%	6%	6%	4%	8%	4%	3%	4%
Somewhat approve	13%	4%	19%	9%	12%	18%	12%	15%	12%	14%	10%
Somewhat disapprove	23%	5%	40%	7%	19%	42%	25%	15%	20%	28%	20%
Strongly disapprove	60%	88%	33%	81%	63%	34%	59%	62%	63%	55%	66%
Totals	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,051)	(660)	(598)	(681)	(665)	(571)	(1,289)	(258)	(329)	(804)	(485)

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3A. Describe Actions — Insurrection

Thinking about the people who forced their way into the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021. Would you describe their actions as...

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Yes	55%	52%	57%	55%	58%	55%	52%	86%	59%	22%
No	45%	48%	43%	45%	42%	45%	48%	14%	41%	78%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,017)	(991)	(1,026)	(433)	(511)	(658)	(416)	(561)	(665)	(582)

	2020 Vote		Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education		
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Yes	55%	90%	17%	85%	56%	21%	51%	64%	58%	46%	60%
No	45%	10%	83%	15%	44%	79%	49%	36%	42%	54%	40%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,017)	(655)	(578)	(674)	(658)	(555)	(1,262)	(252)	(324)	(783)	(479)

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3B. Describe Actions — Patriotism

Thinking about the people who forced their way into the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021. Would you describe their actions as...

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Yes	26%	31%	22%	24%	21%	27%	32%	12%	21%	48%
No	74%	69%	78%	76%	79%	73%	68%	88%	79%	52%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,022)	(997)	(1,025)	(434)	(513)	(656)	(419)	(564)	(663)	(585)

	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Yes	26%	8%	53%	12%	25%	47%	28%	18%	23%	31%	24%
No	74%	92%	47%	88%	75%	53%	72%	82%	77%	69%	76%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,022)	(654)	(579)	(677)	(658)	(557)	(1,264)	(253)	(327)	(787)	(477)

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3C. Describe Actions — Trying to overthrow the U.S. government

Thinking about the people who forced their way into the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021. Would you describe their actions as...

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Yes	54%	49%	60%	56%	58%	55%	48%	85%	59%	19%
No	46%	51%	40%	44%	42%	45%	52%	15%	41%	81%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,015)	(989)	(1,026)	(432)	(510)	(656)	(417)	(560)	(661)	(585)

	2020 Vote		Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education		
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Yes	54%	89%	13%	85%	55%	18%	47%	68%	65%	44%	53%
No	46%	11%	87%	15%	45%	82%	53%	32%	35%	56%	47%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,015)	(653)	(580)	(678)	(651)	(556)	(1,258)	(252)	(326)	(783)	(475)

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3D. Describe Actions — Trying to overturn the election and keep Donald Trump in power

Thinking about the people who forced their way into the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021. Would you describe their actions as...

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Yes	63%	57%	69%	62%	64%	64%	61%	88%	68%	33%
No	37%	43%	31%	38%	36%	36%	39%	12%	32%	67%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,027)	(998)	(1,030)	(433)	(514)	(659)	(421)	(566)	(666)	(584)

	2020 Vote		Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education		
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Yes	63%	93%	27%	88%	63%	33%	60%	68%	69%	58%	63%
No	37%	7%	73%	12%	37%	67%	40%	32%	31%	42%	37%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,027)	(656)	(580)	(682)	(658)	(556)	(1,264)	(256)	(328)	(788)	(477)

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3E. Describe Actions — Defending freedom

Thinking about the people who forced their way into the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021. Would you describe their actions as...

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Yes	28%	30%	26%	28%	24%	28%	35%	11%	21%	54%
No	72%	70%	74%	72%	76%	72%	65%	89%	79%	46%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,021)	(995)	(1,025)	(433)	(513)	(658)	(417)	(564)	(662)	(584)

	2020 Vote		Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education		
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Yes	28%	7%	59%	11%	25%	56%	31%	18%	24%	35%	24%
No	72%	93%	41%	89%	75%	44%	69%	82%	76%	65%	76%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,021)	(654)	(579)	(675)	(657)	(557)	(1,261)	(253)	(327)	(788)	(474)

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3F. Describe Actions — A protest that went too far

Thinking about the people who forced their way into the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021. Would you describe their actions as...

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Yes	76%	76%	75%	66%	75%	80%	80%	65%	78%	84%
No	24%	24%	25%	34%	25%	20%	20%	35%	22%	16%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,046)	(1,002)	(1,044)	(436)	(515)	(664)	(431)	(567)	(668)	(599)

	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Yes	76%	70%	84%	69%	80%	80%	77%	69%	75%	79%	75%
No	24%	30%	16%	31%	20%	20%	23%	31%	25%	21%	25%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,046)	(656)	(596)	(679)	(665)	(569)	(1,283)	(255)	(328)	(801)	(482)

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4A. How Actions Were Patriotism or Defending Freedom — Standing up for Donald Trump

In what way specifically was it [patriotism] [or] [defending freedom]? Is it because you believe they were...

Among those who thought the actions of the people who forced their way into the U.S. Capitol were either patriotism or defending freedom

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Yes	64%	60%	69%	67%	56%	67%	66%	*	56%	69%
No	36%	40%	31%	33%	44%	33%	34%	*	44%	31%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	*	100%	100%
Weighted N	(673)	(360)	(313)	(152)	(153)	(209)	(159)	(89)	(182)	(341)

	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Yes	64%	*	66%	*	60%	69%	68%	*	*	69%	65%
No	36%	*	34%	*	40%	31%	32%	*	*	31%	35%
Totals	100%	*	100%	*	100%	100%	100%	*	*	100%	100%
Weighted N	(673)	(64)	(371)	(101)	(208)	(331)	(441)	(67)	(104)	(310)	(131)

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4B. How Actions Were Patriotism or Defending Freedom — Trying to stop the Electoral vote count

In what way specifically was it [patriotism] [or] [defending freedom]? Is it because you believe they were...

Among those who thought the actions of the people who forced their way into the U.S. Capitol were either patriotism or defending freedom

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Yes	35%	35%	35%	43%	52%	26%	25%	*	40%	26%
No	65%	65%	65%	57%	48%	74%	75%	*	60%	74%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	*	100%	100%
Weighted N	(669)	(356)	(313)	(152)	(153)	(205)	(158)	(89)	(181)	(339)

	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Yes	35%	*	26%	*	38%	23%	29%	*	*	31%	22%
No	65%	*	74%	*	62%	77%	71%	*	*	69%	78%
Totals	100%	*	100%	*	100%	100%	100%	*	*	100%	100%
Weighted N	(669)	(64)	(369)	(101)	(206)	(329)	(437)	(67)	(103)	(308)	(130)

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4C. How Actions Were Patriotism or Defending Freedom — Drawing attention to fraud in the 2020 election

In what way specifically was it [patriotism] [or] [defending freedom]? Is it because you believe they were...

Among those who thought the actions of the people who forced their way into the U.S. Capitol were either patriotism or defending freedom

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Yes	79%	79%	79%	66%	66%	85%	95%	*	74%	89%
No	21%	21%	21%	34%	34%	15%	5%	*	26%	11%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	*	100%	100%
Weighted N	(678)	(363)	(316)	(152)	(153)	(212)	(161)	(89)	(184)	(344)

	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Yes	79%	*	90%	*	76%	88%	85%	*	*	85%	84%
No	21%	*	10%	*	24%	12%	15%	*	*	15%	16%
Totals	100%	*	100%	*	100%	100%	100%	*	*	100%	100%
Weighted N	(678)	(64)	(376)	(101)	(208)	(336)	(446)	(67)	(104)	(315)	(131)

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4D. How Actions Were Patriotism or Defending Freedom — Exercising their right to protest

In what way specifically was it [patriotism] [or] [defending freedom]? Is it because you believe they were...

Among those who thought the actions of the people who forced their way into the U.S. Capitol were either patriotism or defending freedom

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Yes	82%	82%	83%	68%	74%	88%	95%	*	78%	92%
No	18%	18%	17%	32%	26%	12%	5%	*	22%	8%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	*	100%	100%
Weighted N	(676)	(362)	(314)	(150)	(153)	(210)	(162)	(89)	(183)	(345)

	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Yes	82%	*	93%	*	79%	91%	88%	*	*	87%	90%
No	18%	*	7%	*	21%	9%	12%	*	*	13%	10%
Totals	100%	*	100%	*	100%	100%	100%	*	*	100%	100%
Weighted N	(676)	(64)	(375)	(100)	(208)	(334)	(443)	(67)	(104)	(313)	(131)

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4E. How Actions Were Patriotism or Defending Freedom — Targeting Democrats and those disloyal to Donald Trump

In what way specifically was it [patriotism] [or] [defending freedom]? Is it because you believe they were...

Among those who thought the actions of the people who forced their way into the U.S. Capitol were either patriotism or defending freedom

	Gender			Age				Ideology			
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative	
Yes	35%	31%	39%	43%	42%	27%	31%	*	41%	29%	
No	65%	69%	61%	57%	58%	73%	69%	*	59%	71%	
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	*	100%	100%	
Weighted N	(672)	(359)	(313)	(152)	(153)	(208)	(158)	(89)	(182)	(340)	
	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Yes	35%	*	26%	*	31%	29%	30%	*	*	33%	21%
No	65%	*	74%	*	69%	71%	70%	*	*	67%	79%
Totals	100%	*	100%	*	100%	100%	100%	*	*	100%	100%
Weighted N	(672)	(64)	(370)	(101)	(208)	(330)	(439)	(67)	(104)	(308)	(131)

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5. Who Were These People

Do you think most of the people who forced their way into the U.S. Capitol on January 6th were...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Trump supporters, and typical of most Trump supporters nationwide	41%	35%	46%	44%	43%	41%	37%	69%	42%	10%
Trump supporters, but not typical of most Trump supporters nationwide	38%	42%	33%	44%	38%	34%	36%	25%	42%	48%
Left-leaning groups pretending to be Trump supporters	21%	22%	20%	12%	19%	25%	27%	6%	15%	42%
Totals	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	(2,051)	(1,001)	(1,050)	(434)	(516)	(666)	(435)	(566)	(671)	(602)

	Total	2020 Vote		Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
		Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Trump supporters, and typical of most Trump supporters nationwide	41%	73%	5%	67%	42%	9%	34%	63%	51%	31%	38%
Trump supporters, but not typical of most Trump supporters nationwide	38%	23%	50%	26%	40%	50%	43%	22%	32%	44%	41%
Left-leaning groups pretending to be Trump supporters	21%	4%	45%	7%	18%	41%	23%	15%	16%	25%	21%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,051)	(656)	(601)	(680)	(664)	(573)	(1,284)	(257)	(330)	(802)	(482)

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6. Democratic Party Reaction to January 6th

Has the Democratic Party's reaction to January 6th events generally been...

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Too supportive	3%	3%	3%	5%	4%	2%	2%	4%	3%	4%
Not supportive enough	8%	7%	9%	12%	9%	6%	4%	5%	9%	5%
About right	35%	33%	36%	42%	42%	31%	24%	43%	44%	16%
Too critical	30%	36%	25%	20%	23%	35%	42%	6%	21%	67%
Not critical enough	24%	21%	27%	21%	21%	25%	27%	42%	22%	8%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	99%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	(2,041)	(999)	(1,042)	(427)	(515)	(664)	(434)	(566)	(665)	(602)

	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Too supportive	3%	3%	4%	2%	3%	4%	3%	5%	5%	3%	3%
Not supportive enough	8%	3%	6%	6%	10%	6%	6%	12%	12%	6%	5%
About right	35%	46%	11%	46%	37%	16%	30%	42%	42%	32%	28%
Too critical	30%	4%	72%	5%	28%	65%	38%	12%	18%	40%	35%
Not critical enough	24%	44%	6%	40%	21%	8%	23%	29%	22%	19%	29%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	99%	99%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,041)	(657)	(597)	(684)	(658)	(566)	(1,278)	(252)	(332)	(795)	(483)

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7. Republican Party Reaction to January 6th

Has the Republican Party's reaction to January 6th events generally been...

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Too supportive	17%	16%	17%	18%	17%	14%	18%	32%	17%	4%
Not supportive enough	17%	17%	17%	15%	14%	19%	20%	8%	16%	23%
About right	29%	31%	28%	27%	32%	30%	27%	10%	28%	48%
Too critical	8%	10%	7%	14%	9%	6%	6%	4%	8%	13%
Not critical enough	29%	26%	31%	26%	28%	30%	29%	45%	31%	12%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,037)	(995)	(1,042)	(428)	(511)	(664)	(434)	(565)	(664)	(604)

	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Too supportive	17%	33%	4%	28%	17%	5%	17%	23%	14%	13%	22%
Not supportive enough	17%	8%	24%	13%	15%	23%	15%	17%	22%	16%	15%
About right	29%	7%	50%	12%	28%	50%	33%	19%	28%	38%	25%
Too critical	8%	3%	13%	5%	10%	11%	7%	10%	9%	8%	6%
Not critical enough	29%	49%	9%	42%	30%	11%	28%	31%	27%	25%	32%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,037)	(659)	(598)	(679)	(657)	(569)	(1,283)	(253)	(326)	(801)	(483)

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8. Sign of Future Violence

Do you generally think of the events of January 6th as...

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A sign of increasing political violence in America	68%	64%	71%	68%	70%	67%	66%	87%	72%	44%
An isolated incident not related to political violence in America	32%	36%	29%	32%	30%	33%	34%	13%	28%	56%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,051)	(1,009)	(1,042)	(434)	(518)	(668)	(431)	(569)	(670)	(601)

		2020 Vote		Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
A sign of increasing political violence in America	68%	91%	38%	86%	70%	45%	64%	77%	72%	60%	70%
An isolated incident not related to political violence in America	32%	9%	62%	14%	30%	55%	36%	23%	28%	40%	30%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,051)	(658)	(597)	(684)	(665)	(568)	(1,283)	(258)	(330)	(803)	(480)

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9A. Threats to Democracy and the Rule of Law — People are not getting the policies they want

Earlier you said you felt democracy was threatened. What threatens it? Which of these are major, minor, or not threats?

Among those who think democracy and the rule of law is threatened

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Major	52%	51%	53%	53%	51%	51%	53%	52%	47%	55%
Minor	36%	35%	36%	27%	39%	37%	37%	38%	40%	33%
Not a threat	12%	14%	11%	20%	10%	12%	10%	10%	13%	12%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,363)	(635)	(728)	(238)	(289)	(484)	(352)	(365)	(409)	(454)

	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Major	52%	48%	59%	52%	51%	53%	52%	50%	50%	56%	46%
Minor	36%	39%	29%	37%	37%	34%	36%	35%	36%	34%	41%
Not a threat	12%	13%	12%	11%	12%	13%	11%	14%	14%	10%	13%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,363)	(450)	(474)	(402)	(455)	(424)	(927)	(152)	(177)	(585)	(341)

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9B. Threats to Democracy and the Rule of Law — People voting or casting ballots illegally

Earlier you said you felt democracy was threatened. What threatens it? Which of these are major, minor, or not threats?

Among those who think democracy and the rule of law is threatened

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Major	46%	47%	46%	37%	41%	48%	55%	14%	35%	81%
Minor	21%	21%	21%	30%	27%	19%	12%	16%	30%	15%
Not a threat	33%	32%	33%	33%	32%	33%	33%	70%	35%	4%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,361)	(636)	(725)	(238)	(288)	(484)	(351)	(365)	(408)	(453)

	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Major	46%	12%	86%	18%	42%	79%	49%	34%	49%	55%	39%
Minor	21%	17%	13%	21%	23%	17%	18%	26%	30%	20%	14%
Not a threat	33%	71%	1%	61%	35%	4%	33%	40%	21%	25%	46%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	(1,361)	(450)	(474)	(402)	(454)	(425)	(928)	(151)	(175)	(585)	(343)

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9C. Threats to Democracy and the Rule of Law — People trying to overturn or change elections

Earlier you said you felt democracy was threatened. What threatens it? Which of these are major, minor, or not threats?

Among those who think democracy and the rule of law is threatened

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Major	66%	62%	69%	57%	69%	67%	68%	85%	68%	49%
Minor	21%	21%	21%	30%	21%	20%	17%	13%	22%	28%
Not a threat	13%	17%	9%	13%	10%	13%	14%	2%	10%	23%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,359)	(634)	(725)	(238)	(289)	(481)	(351)	(366)	(407)	(452)

	2020 Vote		Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education		
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Major	66%	91%	47%	89%	61%	50%	64%	80%	65%	63%	66%
Minor	21%	9%	29%	10%	28%	26%	22%	12%	26%	24%	19%
Not a threat	13%	0%	24%	1%	11%	24%	14%	8%	9%	13%	15%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,359)	(451)	(471)	(404)	(451)	(424)	(925)	(152)	(176)	(583)	(342)

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9D. Threats to Democracy and the Rule of Law — The potential for political violence

Earlier you said you felt democracy was threatened. What threatens it? Which of these are major, minor, or not threats?

Among those who think democracy and the rule of law is threatened

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Major	68%	65%	71%	64%	69%	68%	69%	86%	71%	49%
Minor	25%	27%	23%	26%	23%	26%	24%	12%	23%	39%
Not a threat	7%	8%	6%	10%	8%	6%	7%	2%	6%	12%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,356)	(630)	(726)	(238)	(287)	(482)	(349)	(364)	(408)	(449)

	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Major	68%	90%	46%	89%	68%	48%	65%	80%	74%	64%	66%
Minor	25%	8%	42%	10%	25%	39%	27%	15%	22%	28%	27%
Not a threat	7%	2%	12%	1%	6%	13%	8%	5%	4%	8%	7%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,356)	(451)	(470)	(400)	(454)	(421)	(922)	(153)	(174)	(582)	(341)

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9E. Threats to Democracy and the Rule of Law — The government has too much power

Earlier you said you felt democracy was threatened. What threatens it? Which of these are major, minor, or not threats?

Among those who think democracy and the rule of law is threatened

	Gender			Age				Ideology			
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative	
Major	57%	57%	56%	57%	56%	54%	60%	31%	49%	84%	
Minor	25%	24%	26%	28%	27%	27%	21%	37%	31%	11%	
Not a threat	18%	18%	18%	15%	17%	19%	19%	32%	20%	5%	
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
Weighted N	(1,361)	(634)	(727)	(238)	(289)	(481)	(353)	(365)	(409)	(453)	
	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Major	57%	24%	88%	28%	57%	84%	60%	37%	57%	65%	52%
Minor	25%	39%	9%	38%	28%	11%	22%	35%	31%	22%	23%
Not a threat	18%	37%	3%	34%	15%	5%	18%	28%	12%	13%	25%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,361)	(450)	(474)	(403)	(453)	(425)	(925)	(151)	(177)	(585)	(341)

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9F. Threats to Democracy and the Rule of Law — The influence of money in politics

Earlier you said you felt democracy was threatened. What threatens it? Which of these are major, minor, or not threats?

Among those who think democracy and the rule of law is threatened

	Gender			Age				Ideology			
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative	
Major	83%	83%	83%	73%	81%	84%	90%	84%	84%	83%	
Minor	13%	13%	13%	20%	13%	13%	7%	14%	12%	13%	
Not a threat	4%	4%	4%	7%	6%	3%	2%	2%	4%	4%	
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	
Weighted N	(1,356)	(628)	(727)	(238)	(287)	(480)	(351)	(368)	(403)	(450)	
	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Major	83%	88%	85%	86%	83%	83%	84%	77%	82%	84%	85%
Minor	13%	10%	12%	11%	13%	14%	12%	14%	17%	12%	13%
Not a threat	4%	2%	3%	3%	4%	3%	3%	9%	0%	4%	2%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,356)	(452)	(473)	(403)	(449)	(425)	(923)	(153)	(172)	(580)	(343)

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9G. Threats to Democracy and the Rule of Law — Most people don't have a say

Earlier you said you felt democracy was threatened. What threatens it? Which of these are major, minor, or not threats?

Among those who think democracy and the rule of law is threatened

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Major	62%	59%	65%	56%	61%	65%	64%	58%	57%	68%
Minor	27%	29%	25%	32%	29%	24%	27%	30%	34%	23%
Not a threat	10%	11%	9%	12%	9%	11%	9%	12%	9%	9%
Totals	99%	99%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,361)	(635)	(725)	(237)	(290)	(483)	(350)	(366)	(407)	(454)

		2020 Vote		Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Major	62%	54%	73%	56%	62%	69%	61%	64%	66%	63%	59%
Minor	27%	33%	19%	30%	30%	23%	28%	26%	25%	27%	30%
Not a threat	10%	13%	8%	13%	8%	8%	11%	10%	9%	10%	11%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,361)	(449)	(472)	(402)	(455)	(422)	(927)	(152)	(175)	(585)	(341)

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10. Should Congress Investigate

Should Congress be investigating elected representatives and other public officials to see if they had a role in the January 6th events, or should Congress drop the matter and not investigate that?

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Investigate it	67%	62%	73%	74%	70%	64%	62%	92%	73%	38%
Drop it	33%	38%	27%	26%	30%	36%	38%	8%	27%	62%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,058)	(1,006)	(1,051)	(436)	(517)	(669)	(436)	(570)	(672)	(601)

	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Investigate it	67%	95%	32%	92%	69%	37%	61%	83%	74%	58%	67%
Drop it	33%	5%	68%	8%	31%	63%	39%	17%	26%	42%	33%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,058)	(658)	(600)	(686)	(664)	(572)	(1,290)	(258)	(330)	(807)	(483)

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15. Trump Do Now

What would you like to see Donald Trump do right now?

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Wait for 2024 and run for President again then	26%	29%	23%	23%	21%	27%	34%	6%	21%	54%
Fight to be put back into the Presidency right now, before the next Presidential election	12%	12%	11%	15%	15%	9%	8%	7%	10%	18%
Not seek the Presidency again at all	62%	59%	65%	61%	64%	63%	58%	86%	69%	28%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,050)	(1,000)	(1,049)	(435)	(512)	(667)	(435)	(566)	(670)	(603)

		2020 Vote		Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Wait for 2024 and run for President again then	26%	4%	55%	7%	23%	56%	30%	14%	21%	35%	23%
Fight to be put back into the Presidency right now, before the next Presidential election	12%	4%	21%	6%	11%	20%	12%	12%	14%	14%	8%
Not seek the Presidency again at all	62%	92%	24%	87%	66%	24%	58%	74%	65%	51%	69%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,050)	(659)	(598)	(684)	(663)	(570)	(1,285)	(257)	(330)	(804)	(481)

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16A. Trump Fight Back — Legal channels

And should he try to become President again right now through...

Among those who think Trump should fight to be put back into presidency now

	Gender			Age				Ideology			
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative	
Yes	75%	70%	81%	*	*	*	*	*	*	87%	
No	25%	30%	19%	*	*	*	*	*	*	13%	
Totals	100%	100%	100%	*	*	*	*	*	*	100%	
Weighted N	(240)	(120)	(120)	(65)	(76)	(63)	(35)	(42)	(63)	(109)	
	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Yes	75%	*	91%	*	*	91%	87%	*	*	86%	*
No	25%	*	9%	*	*	9%	13%	*	*	14%	*
Totals	100%	*	100%	*	*	100%	100%	*	*	100%	*
Weighted N	(240)	(26)	(125)	(43)	(72)	(114)	(146)	(32)	(45)	(109)	(38)

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16B. Trump Fight Back — Force if necessary

And should he try to become President again right now through...

Among those who think Trump should fight to be put back into presidency now

	Gender			Age				Ideology			
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative	
Yes	36%	36%	36%	*	*	*	*	*	*	37%	
No	64%	64%	64%	*	*	*	*	*	*	63%	
Totals	100%	100%	100%	*	*	*	*	*	*	100%	
Weighted N	(233)	(120)	(113)	(67)	(75)	(59)	(33)	(42)	(62)	(104)	
	2020 Vote		Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education		
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Yes	36%	*	34%	*	*	40%	36%	*	*	35%	*
No	64%	*	66%	*	*	60%	64%	*	*	65%	*
Totals	100%	*	100%	*	*	100%	100%	*	*	100%	*
Weighted N	(233)	(26)	(119)	(42)	(71)	(109)	(141)	(32)	(44)	(104)	(37)

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17A. Political Violence Ever Justified — Election results

Suppose some people called for the use of force or violence to try to achieve political or policy goals. Are any of these issues so important that use of force might be justified depending on the situation, or would force never be justified?

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Might be justified	28%	31%	26%	35%	28%	25%	26%	21%	27%	36%
Never justified	72%	69%	74%	65%	72%	75%	74%	79%	73%	64%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,041)	(998)	(1,043)	(429)	(515)	(664)	(434)	(563)	(670)	(602)

	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Might be justified	28%	22%	36%	21%	27%	38%	25%	32%	34%	28%	20%
Never justified	72%	78%	64%	79%	73%	62%	75%	68%	66%	72%	80%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,041)	(647)	(598)	(673)	(663)	(570)	(1,282)	(251)	(330)	(801)	(481)

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17B. Political Violence Ever Justified — Abortion policies

Suppose some people called for the use of force or violence to try to achieve political or policy goals. Are any of these issues so important that use of force might be justified depending on the situation, or would force never be justified?

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Might be justified	24%	20%	27%	34%	28%	19%	15%	26%	22%	22%
Never justified	76%	80%	73%	66%	72%	81%	85%	74%	78%	78%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,036)	(994)	(1,042)	(427)	(513)	(664)	(433)	(563)	(669)	(599)

	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Might be justified	24%	20%	23%	24%	22%	22%	20%	27%	35%	22%	17%
Never justified	76%	80%	77%	76%	78%	78%	80%	73%	65%	78%	83%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,036)	(650)	(595)	(671)	(664)	(566)	(1,280)	(252)	(327)	(797)	(483)

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17C. Political Violence Ever Justified — Gun policies

Suppose some people called for the use of force or violence to try to achieve political or policy goals. Are any of these issues so important that use of force might be justified depending on the situation, or would force never be justified?

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Might be justified	29%	29%	28%	35%	32%	24%	25%	23%	25%	38%
Never justified	71%	71%	72%	65%	68%	76%	75%	77%	75%	62%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,035)	(995)	(1,040)	(427)	(512)	(662)	(434)	(563)	(666)	(602)

	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Might be justified	29%	19%	37%	22%	27%	37%	27%	28%	35%	30%	22%
Never justified	71%	81%	63%	78%	73%	63%	73%	72%	65%	70%	78%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,035)	(650)	(594)	(672)	(661)	(567)	(1,280)	(250)	(327)	(797)	(483)

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17D. Political Violence Ever Justified — Vaccine and coronavirus policies

Suppose some people called for the use of force or violence to try to achieve political or policy goals. Are any of these issues so important that use of force might be justified depending on the situation, or would force never be justified?

	Gender			Age				Ideology			
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative	
Might be justified	26%	27%	26%	35%	30%	22%	20%	23%	28%	29%	
Never justified	74%	73%	74%	65%	70%	78%	80%	77%	72%	71%	
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
Weighted N	(2,037)	(993)	(1,044)	(428)	(512)	(663)	(434)	(561)	(668)	(603)	
	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Might be justified	26%	20%	27%	23%	29%	27%	23%	34%	34%	26%	17%
Never justified	74%	80%	73%	77%	71%	73%	77%	66%	66%	74%	83%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,037)	(651)	(598)	(671)	(663)	(570)	(1,282)	(253)	(325)	(799)	(483)

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17E. Political Violence Ever Justified — Civil rights and equality issues

Suppose some people called for the use of force or violence to try to achieve political or policy goals. Are any of these issues so important that use of force might be justified depending on the situation, or would force never be justified?

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Might be justified	35%	34%	36%	49%	40%	28%	27%	42%	34%	31%
Never justified	65%	66%	64%	51%	60%	72%	73%	58%	66%	69%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,042)	(1,000)	(1,042)	(434)	(512)	(664)	(433)	(561)	(667)	(603)

	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Might be justified	35%	36%	28%	36%	37%	31%	32%	43%	39%	32%	31%
Never justified	65%	64%	72%	64%	63%	69%	68%	57%	61%	68%	69%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,042)	(654)	(598)	(674)	(665)	(568)	(1,283)	(256)	(327)	(800)	(482)

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17F. Political Violence Ever Justified — Labor issues

Suppose some people called for the use of force or violence to try to achieve political or policy goals. Are any of these issues so important that use of force might be justified depending on the situation, or would force never be justified?

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Might be justified	27%	25%	28%	37%	35%	21%	16%	30%	24%	24%
Never justified	73%	75%	72%	63%	65%	79%	84%	70%	76%	76%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,035)	(995)	(1,040)	(426)	(513)	(664)	(433)	(558)	(669)	(603)

	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Might be justified	27%	25%	20%	26%	27%	25%	22%	32%	39%	24%	19%
Never justified	73%	75%	80%	74%	73%	75%	78%	68%	61%	76%	81%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,035)	(646)	(598)	(669)	(662)	(570)	(1,280)	(251)	(326)	(798)	(482)

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18A. Candidates Ever Justified — Lying to the media or press

For elected officials or candidates trying to achieve political or policy goals, might it ever be justified for them to do these things depending on the situation, or would it never be justified?

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Might be justified	17%	20%	15%	23%	27%	12%	8%	15%	19%	18%
Never justified	83%	80%	85%	77%	73%	88%	92%	85%	81%	82%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,029)	(985)	(1,044)	(421)	(510)	(663)	(435)	(560)	(664)	(601)

	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Might be justified	17%	11%	16%	16%	18%	19%	15%	16%	22%	15%	16%
Never justified	83%	89%	84%	84%	82%	81%	85%	84%	78%	85%	84%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,029)	(648)	(598)	(666)	(657)	(571)	(1,280)	(246)	(325)	(797)	(483)

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18B. Candidates Ever Justified — Lying to voters

For elected officials or candidates trying to achieve political or policy goals, might it ever be justified for them to do these things depending on the situation, or would it never be justified?

		Gender		Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Might be justified	14%	16%	11%	22%	21%	8%	6%	11%	15%	14%
Never justified	86%	84%	89%	78%	79%	92%	94%	89%	85%	86%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,034)	(991)	(1,042)	(426)	(511)	(662)	(435)	(561)	(664)	(605)

		2020 Vote		Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Might be justified	14%	10%	13%	11%	15%	15%	11%	21%	15%	10%	11%
Never justified	86%	90%	87%	89%	85%	85%	89%	79%	85%	90%	89%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,034)	(649)	(597)	(667)	(664)	(568)	(1,281)	(250)	(325)	(796)	(485)

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18C. Candidates Ever Justified — Insulting people in public

For elected officials or candidates trying to achieve political or policy goals, might it ever be justified for them to do these things depending on the situation, or would it never be justified?

		Gender		Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Might be justified	20%	25%	16%	26%	24%	17%	15%	17%	21%	25%
Never justified	80%	75%	84%	74%	76%	83%	85%	83%	79%	75%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,028)	(986)	(1,042)	(425)	(512)	(659)	(433)	(560)	(663)	(601)

		2020 Vote		Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Might be justified	20%	15%	28%	17%	22%	23%	20%	21%	18%	19%	21%
Never justified	80%	85%	72%	83%	78%	77%	80%	79%	82%	81%	79%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,028)	(647)	(594)	(666)	(660)	(567)	(1,277)	(249)	(325)	(793)	(483)

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18D. Candidates Ever Justified — Calling for violence in public speeches

For elected officials or candidates trying to achieve political or policy goals, might it ever be justified for them to do these things depending on the situation, or would it never be justified?

		Gender		Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Might be justified	14%	15%	12%	24%	21%	7%	5%	13%	14%	13%
Never justified	86%	85%	88%	76%	79%	93%	95%	87%	86%	87%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,041)	(995)	(1,046)	(426)	(516)	(664)	(436)	(566)	(665)	(605)

		2020 Vote		Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Might be justified	14%	9%	11%	14%	13%	13%	10%	21%	19%	10%	9%
Never justified	86%	91%	89%	86%	87%	87%	90%	79%	81%	90%	91%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,041)	(651)	(599)	(672)	(664)	(571)	(1,282)	(250)	(329)	(798)	(485)

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19. Why Call for Violence Depends

And is that generally because you feel that approach:

Among those who think elected officials or candidates might ever be justified in calling for violence

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Can be acceptable in itself	46%	54%	36%	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Can be justified because opponents do it, or do things that are worse	54%	46%	64%	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Totals	100%	100%	100%	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Weighted N	(271)	(149)	(122)	(99)	(107)	(43)	(22)	(72)	(92)	(78)

	2020 Vote		Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree 4yr Degree+
Can be acceptable in itself	46%	*	*	*	*	*	48%	*	*	*
Can be justified because opponents do it, or do things that are worse	54%	*	*	*	*	*	52%	*	*	*
Totals	100%	*	*	*	*	*	100%	*	*	*
Weighted N	(271)	(56)	(66)	(92)	(86)	(73)	(123)	(52)	(61)	(82)

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20A. Citizen Violence Justified — Forming citizen militias

For private citizens trying to achieve political or policy goals, might it ever be justified for them to do these things depending on the situation, or would it never be justified?

		Gender		Age				Ideology			
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative	
Might be justified	30%	38%	24%	33%	33%	28%	30%	18%	30%	47%	
Never justified	70%	62%	76%	67%	67%	72%	70%	82%	70%	53%	
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
Weighted N	(2,027)	(991)	(1,036)	(428)	(507)	(661)	(431)	(559)	(666)	(597)	
		2020 Vote		Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Might be justified	30%	15%	48%	17%	36%	42%	32%	21%	27%	34%	30%
Never justified	70%	85%	52%	83%	64%	58%	68%	79%	73%	66%	70%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,027)	(649)	(590)	(674)	(655)	(563)	(1,272)	(249)	(331)	(793)	(479)

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20B. Citizen Violence Justified — Insulting people or officials in public

For private citizens trying to achieve political or policy goals, might it ever be justified for them to do these things depending on the situation, or would it never be justified?

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Might be justified	31%	38%	24%	38%	35%	27%	26%	33%	28%	37%
Never justified	69%	62%	76%	62%	65%	73%	74%	67%	72%	63%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,025)	(990)	(1,035)	(428)	(506)	(662)	(429)	(557)	(667)	(598)

	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Might be justified	31%	28%	39%	24%	37%	34%	33%	25%	24%	30%	37%
Never justified	69%	72%	61%	76%	63%	66%	67%	75%	76%	70%	63%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,025)	(648)	(593)	(672)	(654)	(565)	(1,276)	(248)	(326)	(794)	(482)

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20C. Citizen Violence Justified — Intimidating people or threatening them with violence

For private citizens trying to achieve political or policy goals, might it ever be justified for them to do these things depending on the situation, or would it never be justified?

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Might be justified	13%	15%	11%	24%	19%	6%	3%	12%	15%	9%
Never justified	87%	85%	89%	76%	81%	94%	97%	88%	85%	91%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,040)	(998)	(1,041)	(429)	(513)	(663)	(436)	(563)	(667)	(603)

	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Might be justified	13%	11%	10%	12%	14%	11%	9%	20%	16%	10%	8%
Never justified	87%	89%	90%	88%	86%	89%	91%	80%	84%	90%	92%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,040)	(650)	(599)	(676)	(660)	(570)	(1,281)	(251)	(329)	(799)	(482)

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20D. Citizen Violence Justified — Causing physical harm or injury

For private citizens trying to achieve political or policy goals, might it ever be justified for them to do these things depending on the situation, or would it never be justified?

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Might be justified	13%	14%	12%	22%	20%	8%	4%	10%	15%	13%
Never justified	87%	86%	88%	78%	80%	92%	96%	90%	85%	87%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,029)	(988)	(1,041)	(429)	(505)	(662)	(434)	(559)	(664)	(601)

	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Might be justified	13%	9%	11%	11%	15%	12%	10%	20%	18%	10%	9%
Never justified	87%	91%	89%	89%	85%	88%	90%	80%	82%	90%	91%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,029)	(650)	(593)	(670)	(658)	(566)	(1,280)	(248)	(325)	(797)	(483)

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20E. Citizen Violence Justified — Vandalizing or damaging someone's property

For private citizens trying to achieve political or policy goals, might it ever be justified for them to do these things depending on the situation, or would it never be justified?

		Gender		Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Might be justified	13%	14%	13%	29%	19%	6%	2%	19%	13%	9%
Never justified	87%	86%	87%	71%	81%	94%	98%	81%	87%	91%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,036)	(992)	(1,043)	(431)	(506)	(664)	(435)	(559)	(667)	(604)

		2020 Vote		Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Might be justified	13%	14%	7%	14%	15%	9%	10%	22%	20%	9%	11%
Never justified	87%	86%	93%	86%	85%	91%	90%	78%	80%	91%	89%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,036)	(650)	(598)	(671)	(661)	(570)	(1,282)	(250)	(327)	(799)	(483)

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21. Future Political Violence

Do you think the next few years will see...

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
An increase in political violence in the U.S.	57%	56%	59%	52%	53%	58%	68%	66%	54%	58%
A decrease in political violence in the U.S.	10%	12%	7%	15%	13%	6%	5%	10%	12%	7%
The same amount as there already is	33%	32%	34%	33%	34%	35%	27%	24%	34%	35%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,043)	(997)	(1,046)	(427)	(512)	(669)	(435)	(565)	(667)	(604)

	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
An increase in political violence in the U.S.	57%	68%	59%	61%	58%	58%	62%	52%	47%	57%	70%
A decrease in political violence in the U.S.	10%	9%	7%	13%	9%	7%	6%	19%	14%	7%	5%
The same amount as there already is	33%	23%	34%	26%	33%	35%	32%	28%	39%	36%	25%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,043)	(648)	(602)	(678)	(656)	(573)	(1,284)	(252)	(329)	(802)	(483)

22. Actions of Future Losers

In future presidential elections, do you expect that the losing side will accept their losses peacefully, or do you expect there to be violence over those losses?

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Expect peace	38%	40%	37%	35%	37%	43%	36%	33%	42%	37%
Expect violence	62%	60%	63%	65%	63%	57%	64%	67%	58%	63%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,035)	(995)	(1,039)	(431)	(513)	(663)	(427)	(565)	(665)	(597)

	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Expect peace	38%	36%	35%	39%	37%	38%	37%	43%	46%	37%	36%
Expect violence	62%	64%	65%	61%	63%	62%	63%	57%	54%	63%	64%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,035)	(647)	(593)	(674)	(662)	(563)	(1,278)	(247)	(330)	(798)	(480)

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23. Favor Violence if Loss in Future

And if that is your side or your party that doesn't win, would you be in favor of that force or violence?

Among those who expect violence from losers of future elections

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Yes	2%	4%	1%	4%	5%	0%	1%	4%	2%	2%
No	72%	64%	79%	69%	67%	75%	78%	73%	79%	64%
It depends on the circumstance	25%	32%	20%	27%	28%	25%	21%	23%	19%	34%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,250)	(592)	(657)	(280)	(323)	(374)	(272)	(381)	(383)	(371)

	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Yes	2%	2%	2%	3%	2%	2%	2%	4%	3%	2%	2%
No	72%	81%	64%	82%	69%	67%	75%	75%	60%	75%	76%
It depends on the circumstance	25%	16%	34%	15%	29%	30%	23%	21%	37%	23%	22%
Totals	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,250)	(416)	(383)	(412)	(414)	(349)	(806)	(141)	(179)	(500)	(306)

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24. Dividing Country

Right now, would you favor or oppose dividing the United States into two separate countries where one is made up of "blue" Democratic states and the other is made up of "red" Republican states?

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Strongly favor	7%	8%	6%	6%	7%	6%	7%	5%	5%	11%
Somewhat favor	16%	15%	17%	16%	18%	16%	14%	16%	11%	21%
Somewhat oppose	21%	20%	22%	32%	26%	19%	8%	20%	24%	15%
Strongly oppose	56%	57%	55%	45%	49%	58%	71%	59%	60%	53%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,041)	(1,003)	(1,038)	(424)	(518)	(665)	(435)	(565)	(671)	(603)

	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Strongly favor	7%	5%	11%	4%	7%	10%	7%	6%	5%	7%	7%
Somewhat favor	16%	11%	22%	14%	15%	20%	15%	18%	17%	15%	16%
Somewhat oppose	21%	17%	14%	20%	25%	16%	17%	23%	31%	19%	15%
Strongly oppose	56%	67%	53%	62%	53%	54%	60%	53%	47%	59%	62%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,041)	(654)	(601)	(679)	(656)	(572)	(1,286)	(250)	(325)	(802)	(484)

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25. Legitimate Winner

Regardless of who you wanted to win, do you consider Joe Biden as the legitimate winner of the 2020 presidential election - that is, that Biden was the choice of more voters, with more legally-cast votes, in enough states to be elected - or not?

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Yes, I consider Biden legitimate winner	66%	65%	66%	71%	71%	63%	57%	93%	75%	29%
No, I do not consider Biden the legitimate winner	34%	35%	34%	29%	29%	37%	43%	7%	25%	71%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,049)	(1,001)	(1,048)	(433)	(517)	(666)	(433)	(570)	(666)	(605)

	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Yes, I consider Biden legitimate winner	66%	99%	22%	96%	69%	27%	60%	80%	74%	54%	69%
No, I do not consider Biden the legitimate winner	34%	1%	78%	4%	31%	73%	40%	20%	26%	46%	31%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,049)	(661)	(599)	(686)	(660)	(571)	(1,282)	(258)	(329)	(800)	(482)

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26. Vote Fraud and Irregularities

In the 2020 presidential election, do you think there was...

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Widespread voter fraud and irregularities	31%	32%	29%	21%	26%	33%	42%	8%	19%	66%
A few isolated incidents of voter fraud and irregularities	44%	45%	44%	52%	43%	43%	41%	55%	54%	28%
No voter fraud or irregularities	25%	23%	26%	27%	31%	23%	17%	37%	26%	6%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	(2,044)	(998)	(1,046)	(428)	(513)	(667)	(435)	(566)	(666)	(604)

	2020 Vote			Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Widespread voter fraud and irregularities	31%	4%	72%	7%	27%	66%	36%	17%	23%	39%	30%
A few isolated incidents of voter fraud and irregularities	44%	57%	25%	49%	54%	28%	45%	38%	48%	41%	53%
No voter fraud or irregularities	25%	38%	3%	44%	19%	6%	19%	45%	29%	20%	17%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,044)	(657)	(601)	(682)	(660)	(570)	(1,284)	(255)	(325)	(801)	(483)

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28. Democrats: Opposition or Enemies

When you think about Democrats, do you tend to think of them as

Among those who identify as Republicans

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Political opposition - that is, if they win, you just won't get the policies you want	52%	50%	54%	*	*	50%	43%	*	*	50%
Enemies - that is, if they win, your life or your entire way of life may be threatened	48%	50%	46%	*	*	50%	57%	*	*	50%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	*	*	100%	100%	*	*	100%
Weighted N	(568)	(299)	(270)	(77)	(116)	(195)	(180)	(14)	(91)	(440)

	Total	2020 Vote		Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
		Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Political opposition - that is, if they win, you just won't get the policies you want	52%	*	47%	*	*	52%	52%	*	*	54%	49%
Enemies - that is, if they win, your life or your entire way of life may be threatened	48%	*	53%	*	*	48%	48%	*	*	46%	51%
Totals	100%	*	100%	*	*	100%	100%	*	*	100%	100%
Weighted N	(568)	(27)	(428)	(0)	(0)	(568)	(456)	(19)	(52)	(305)	(151)

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29. Republicans: Opposition or Enemies

When you think about Republicans, do you tend to think of them as

Among those who identify as Democrats

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Political opposition - that is, if they win, you just won't get the policies you want	57%	59%	56%	41%	69%	60%	53%	49%	68%	*
Enemies - that is, if they win, your life or your entire way of life may be threatened	43%	41%	44%	59%	31%	40%	47%	51%	32%	*
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	*
Weighted N	(673)	(275)	(398)	(135)	(172)	(213)	(153)	(392)	(209)	(40)

		2020 Vote		Party ID			Race/Ethnicity			White by Education	
	Total	Biden	Trump	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Political opposition - that is, if they win, you just won't get the policies you want	57%	54%	*	57%	*	*	57%	50%	57%	61%	54%
Enemies - that is, if they win, your life or your entire way of life may be threatened	43%	46%	*	43%	*	*	43%	50%	43%	39%	46%
Totals	100%	100%	*	100%	*	*	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(673)	(434)	(22)	(673)	(0)	(0)	(336)	(149)	(135)	(168)	(168)

HOW THE POLL WAS CONDUCTED AND THE MARGIN OF ERROR CALCULATED

The CBS News/YouGov survey of 2,063 adults in the U.S. was conducted between December 27-30, 2021. All respondents from the CBS News Poll fielded January 11-12, 2021 were recontacted to participate. Of 1,521 respondents in the earlier survey, 675 were re-interviewed – a recontact rate of 44%. The remaining 1,388 respondents were recruited from YouGov's online panel.

This sample was weighted according to gender, age, race, and education based on the U.S. Census American Community Survey, and the U.S. Census Current Population Survey, as well as 2020 Presidential vote. Respondents were selected to be representative of adults nationwide. The weights range from 0.1 to 5, with a mean of 1 and a standard deviation of 0.7.

The *margin of error* (a 95% confidence interval) for a sample percentage p based upon the entire sample is approximately 2.6%. It is calculated using the formula

$$\hat{p} \pm 100 \times \sqrt{\frac{1 + CV^2}{n}}$$

where CV is the coefficient of variation of the sample weights and n is the sample size used to compute the proportion. This is a measure of sampling error (the average of all estimates obtained using the same sample selection and weighting procedures repeatedly). The sample estimate should differ from its expected value by less than margin of error in 95 percent of all samples. It does not reflect non-sampling errors, including potential selection bias in panel participation or in response to a particular survey.