

Yahoo! News Survey - 20220207



Sample 1,628 U.S. Adults
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 Margin of Error ±2.7%

1. Would you say things in this country today are...

Generally headed in the right direction 28%
 Off on the wrong track 59%
 Not sure 13%

2. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling his job as President?

Strongly approve 17%
 Somewhat approve 25%
Approve **42%**
 Somewhat disapprove 15%
 Strongly disapprove 36%
Disapprove **51%**
 Not sure 7%

3. Do you approve or disapprove of the way President Biden is handling each of the following issues?

	Strongly approve	Some-what approve	Approve	Some-what disapprove	Strongly disapprove	Disapprove	Not sure
Coronavirus	22%	21%	43%	14%	36%	50%	8%
The economy	17%	21%	38%	13%	39%	52%	10%
Foreign policy	16%	22%	38%	12%	36%	48%	15%
Race	19%	22%	41%	12%	34%	46%	14%
Schools	15%	23%	38%	13%	33%	46%	16%
Climate change	16%	23%	39%	13%	32%	45%	16%
Dealing with Congress	10%	24%	34%	18%	33%	51%	15%

4. How worried are you about COVID-19?

Very worried 19%
 Somewhat worried 36%
Worried **55%**
 Not very worried 25%
 Not worried at all 20%
Not worried **45%**

5. Which statement describes you best?

I have received at least ONE shot of ANY manufacturer's COVID-19 vaccine 69%
 I have NOT received ANY shots of ANY manufacturer's COVID-19 vaccine 31%

6. Which statement describes you best?

Asked of those who have received at least one shot

I have received only ONE shot	9%
I have received only TWO shots	35%
I have received at least THREE shots	56%

7. Which vaccine did you get for your FIRST shot?

Asked of those who have received at least one shot

Pfizer-BioNtech	50%
Moderna	39%
Oxford-AstraZeneca	2%
Johnson & Johnson	7%
Don't remember	2%

8. Which vaccine did you get for your SECOND shot?

Asked of those who have received at least two shots

Pfizer-BioNtech	53%
Moderna	42%
Oxford-AstraZeneca	1%
Johnson & Johnson	3%
Don't remember	2%

9. Would you get a booster shot if it were available to you?

Asked of those who have been vaccinated for COVID-19

Yes	51%
No	31%
Not sure	19%

10. Would you get a booster shot if it were available to you?

Already received booster	40%
Yes	12%
No	7%
Not sure	5%
Not yet fully vaccinated	4%
Not vaccinated at all	31%

11. Which comes closest to your view of the COVID-19 pandemic:

The worst of the U.S. pandemic is already behind us	46%
The worst of the U.S. pandemic is still yet to come	23%
Not sure	31%

12. Is the COVID-19 pandemic over in the U.S.?

Yes	17%
No	71%
Not sure	12%

13. Regardless of whether the U.S. pandemic is over for others, do you consider it to be over as it pertains to your own life?

Yes	35%
No	50%
Not sure	16%

14. In the past seven days, how often have you worn a mask on your face when outside your home?

Always	40%
Most of the time	22%
Always/Most of the time	62%
Some of the time	19%
Never	19%
Never/Some of the time	38%

15. Which is closer to your opinion of COVID-19?

We need to learn to live with it and get back to normal	48%
We need to do more to vaccinate, wear masks and test	42%
Not sure	10%

16. As it affects me, COVID-19 is now...

More of a health concern	41%
More of an inconvenience	39%
Neither	12%
Not sure	8%

17. The best approach to COVID-19 is to:

Asked of the vaccinated

Vaccinate and be done with it	13%
Vaccinate, wear masks and test when appropriate	43%
Neither	5%
Not sure	3%
Not asked - vaccinated	36%

18. Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Supreme Court of the United States is handling its job?

Strongly approve	8%
Somewhat approve	27%
Approve	35%
Somewhat disapprove	24%
Strongly disapprove	20%
Disapprove	44%
Not sure	21%

19. How closely have you been following news about Justice Stephen Breyer retiring from the Supreme Court of the United States?

Very closely	18%
Somewhat closely	34%
Very / Somewhat closely	52%
Not very closely	24%
Not following at all	25%
Not very closely / Not following at all	49%

20. How much confidence do you have that President Biden will select the right kind of person to replace Stephen Breyer on the Supreme Court?

A great deal	20%
Quite a bit	13%
A great deal / Quite a bit	33%
Some	13%
Very little	15%
None	25%
Very little / None	40%
Not sure	14%

21. Do you expect to support the nominee President Biden puts forward to replace Justice Stephen Breyer on the Supreme Court?

Yes	34%
No	29%
Not sure	37%

28. Ketanji Brown Jackson is a potential Supreme Court nominee with the following resume:

- 51 years old
 - Graduate of Harvard Law School
 - Former clerk for a Supreme Court justice
 - Current judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia
- How qualified is Ketanji Brown Jackson to sit on the Supreme Court?

Asked of a randomly assigned half-sample

Very qualified	42%
Somewhat qualified	27%
Very / Somewhat qualified	69%
Not very qualified	6%
Not qualified at all	5%
Not very qualified / Not qualified at all	11%
Not sure	20%

29. Leondra Kruger is a potential Supreme Court nominee with the following resume:

- 45 years old
 - Graduate of Yale Law School
 - Former clerk for a Supreme Court justice
 - Current justice on the California Supreme Court
- How qualified is Leondra Kruger to sit on the Supreme Court?

Asked of a randomly assigned half-sample

Very qualified	37%
Somewhat qualified	28%
Very / Somewhat qualified	65%
Not very qualified	9%
Not qualified at all	5%
Not very qualified / Not qualified at all	14%
Not sure	21%

30. Amy Coney Barrett is a U.S. Supreme Court justice. When nominated, she was:

- 48 years old
 - Graduate of Notre Dame Law School
 - Former clerk for a Supreme Court justice
 - Current judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit (Illinois/Indiana)
- How qualified was Amy Coney Barrett to sit on the Supreme Court when she was nominated?

Asked of a randomly assigned half-sample

Very qualified	37%
Somewhat qualified	30%
Very / Somewhat qualified	67%
Not very qualified	9%
Not qualified at all	7%
Not very qualified / Not qualified at all	16%
Not sure	16%

31. Merrick Garland was nominated to the Supreme Court. When nominated, he was:
 63 years old
 Graduate of Harvard Law School
 Former clerk for a Supreme Court justice
 Served as Chief Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia
 How qualified was Merrick Garland to sit on the Supreme Court when he was nominated?

Asked of a randomly assigned half-sample

Very qualified	41%
Somewhat qualified	27%
Very / Somewhat qualified	68%
Not very qualified	7%
Not qualified at all	8%
Not very qualified / Not qualified at all	15%
Not sure	18%

32. Sidney Thomas was previously considered to be nominated to the Supreme Court. At the time he was:
 56 years old
 Graduate of the University of Montana Law School
 Served as a senior partner at a Montana law firm
 Served as Chief Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit (covering the Western U.S.)
 How qualified was Sidney Thomas to sit on the Supreme Court when he was considered?

Asked of a randomly assigned half-sample

Very qualified	29%
Somewhat qualified	34%
Very / Somewhat qualified	63%
Not very qualified	9%
Not qualified at all	4%
Not very qualified / Not qualified at all	13%
Not sure	25%

33. J. Michelle Childs is a potential Supreme Court nominee with the following resume:
 55 years old
 Graduate of University of South Carolina Law School, with a legal masters degree from Duke University Law School
 Served as senior partner in a South Carolina law firm
 Current judge on the U.S. Circuit Appeals Court for South Carolina and nominated to serve on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia
 How qualified is J. Michelle Childs to sit on the Supreme Court?

Asked of a randomly assigned half-sample

Very qualified	41%
Somewhat qualified	29%
Very / Somewhat qualified	70%
Not very qualified	5%
Not qualified at all	4%
Not very qualified / Not qualified at all	9%
Not sure	21%

34. During the 2020 presidential campaign, do you think it was a good idea or a bad idea for Joe Biden to consider only women as possible running mates?

A good idea	30%
A bad idea	34%
Neither good nor bad	36%

35. During the 2020 presidential campaign, Joe Biden pledged to nominate a Black woman to the court if elected. Do you think this pledge was a good or a bad idea?

A good idea	36%
A bad idea	32%
Neither good nor bad	32%

36. Why do you think Biden's pledge to nominate a Black woman to the court was a bad idea? Select all that apply

Asked of those who think Biden's pledge to nominate a Black woman to the Supreme Court was a bad idea

It is unfair to qualified candidates who aren't Black women	13%
It is unfair to the black woman he selects because it makes it seem like she wasn't selected on her qualifications alone	11%
Other (please specify)	6%
Not sure	1%
Not asked - good idea or neither	68%

37. How important is it to you that Joe Biden nominates a Black woman to the Supreme Court?

Very important	23%
Somewhat important	22%
Very / Somewhat important	45%
Not very important	19%
Not at all important	36%
Not very important / Not at all important	55%

38. Which comes closest to your view?

The best possible candidate should be chosen regardless of race, gender or sexuality	49%
The best possible Supreme Court should include qualified justices with a variety of backgrounds and experiences	41%
Not sure	9%

39. During the 1980 presidential campaign, Ronald Reagan said, "One of the first Supreme Court vacancies in my administration will be filled by the most qualified woman I can possibly find." Do you think this pledge was a good or a bad idea?

A good idea	45%
A bad idea	19%
Neither good nor bad	36%

40. After Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg died in 2020, President Trump said, "I will be putting forth a nominee next week. It will be a woman." Do you think this pledge was a good or a bad idea?

A good idea	33%
A bad idea	23%
Neither good nor bad	44%

41. When voting to confirm or reject a Supreme Court nominee, which of the following should be more important in determining how a senator votes:

Whether the senator thinks the nominee is qualified to serve on the court	72%
Whether the senator thinks the nominee will rule the way the senator wants on major issues	10%
Not sure	18%

42. Affirmative action refers to policies that seek to include more people of a particular gender, race, sexuality, creed or nationality in areas where they are underrepresented, such as education and employment. Do you favor or oppose affirmative action?

Asked of a randomly assigned half-sample

Favor	38%
Oppose	30%
Not sure	31%

43. Do you favor or oppose policies that seek to include more members of particular groups based on their gender, race, sexuality, creed or nationality in areas where they are underrepresented, such as education and employment?

Asked of a randomly assigned half-sample

Favor	33%
Oppose	37%
Not sure	29%

44. Which of the following comes closer to your opinion:

Affirmative action programs are still needed to counteract the effects of discrimination against minorities, and are a good idea as long as there are no rigid quotas	42%
Affirmative action programs have gone too far in favoring minorities, and should be ended because they unfairly discriminate against white people	34%
Not sure	24%

45. This year the Supreme Court will take up a case in which the challengers claim Harvard University discriminates against qualified Asian American applicants. Studies suggest enacting "color blind" admissions policies would significantly increase the number of Asian students while significantly decreasing the number of Latino and Black students. Would you favor or oppose "color blind" admissions policies at colleges like Harvard?

Favor	41%
Oppose	21%
Not sure	38%

46. Should states be allowed to place any limits on a person's ability to carry a concealed gun in public?

Yes	54%
No	29%
Not sure	17%

47. Would you favor or oppose a law requiring people who want to carry a concealed gun in public to apply for a license that shows they have a special need for self-protection when outside their home?

Favor	46%
Oppose	34%
Not sure	20%

48. Do you favor the death penalty for murder?

Yes, always	17%
Yes, sometimes, depending on the circumstances	51%
No	21%
Don't know	10%

49. Do you approve or disapprove of the Justice Department seeking the death penalty against Dzhokhar Tsarnaev, the man accused of bombing the Boston Marathon in 2013?

Approve	58%
Disapprove	18%
Not sure	23%

50. Should private schools that teach religion be allowed to receive taxpayer money in the form of state tuition assistance?

Yes	35%
No	39%
Not sure	26%

51. The Supreme Court established a constitutional right of a woman to obtain an abortion in 1973 with its decision in Roe v. Wade. Do you think the Supreme Court's decision in Roe v. Wade should be overturned?

Yes	29%
No	51%
Not sure	20%

52. Do you think the Supreme Court WILL overturn Roe v. Wade?

Yes	21%
No	29%
Not sure	50%

53. Which comes closest to your position on abortion? Do you think abortion should be...

Legal in all cases	24%
Legal in most cases	30%
Legal	54%
Illegal in most cases	24%
Illegal in all cases	12%
Illegal	36%
Not sure	10%

54. Which comes closest to your position on abortion? Do you think abortion is ...

A constitutional right that women in all states should have some access to	55%
Something that individual states should be able to outlaw	29%
Not sure	16%

55. If the Supreme Court overturns Roe v. Wade, leaving it up to states to make their own abortion laws, would you prefer your state to...

Ban all abortions	13%
Ban most abortions	23%
Ban abortions	36%
Keep most abortions legal	27%
Keep all abortions legal	25%
Keep abortions legal	52%
Not sure	12%

56. As you may know, the Supreme Court recently agreed to review a Mississippi law that bans most abortions after 15 weeks, or about 3 1/2 months. Do you favor or oppose this law?

Favor	44%
Oppose	34%
Not Sure	23%

57. The current law under Roe v. Wade forbids states from banning all abortions before around six months of pregnancy when the fetus can survive outside the womb. Which outcome would you prefer?

The Supreme Court should strike down the Mississippi law and preserve Roe v. Wade	39%
The Supreme Court should uphold the Mississippi law and allow similar abortion bans elsewhere	35%
Not sure	26%

58. More than 100,000 Russian troops are massing on the border of Ukraine, threatening an invasion. Which of the following responses would you support? Select all that apply

Continue diplomacy with Russia to avoid an invasion	43%
Implement severe economic sanctions to counter an invasion	39%
Send troops to the region to bolster defenses, but not to Ukraine	19%
Send troops to the region to bolster defenses, including to Ukraine	19%
Send arms to Ukraine	24%
Avoid further foreign conflict by agreeing to Putin's demands	6%
None	10%
Not sure	23%

59. Which of the following comes closest to your view about the conflict between Russia and Ukraine?

It's in America's best interests to stop Russia and help Ukraine	40%
The conflict is none of America's business	33%
Not sure	27%

60. Russian President Vladimir Putin wants NATO to withdraw from Eastern Europe and bar Ukraine from joining the alliance. Do you think Putin's demands are reasonable or unreasonable?

Reasonable	12%
Unreasonable	58%
Not sure	30%

61. Whose side should the U.S. be taking in the conflict between Ukraine and Russia?

Ukraine	46%
Russia	5%
Neither	49%

62. How would you describe the current state of the American economy?

Excellent	5%
Good	20%
Excellent / Good	25%
Fair	30%
Poor	38%
Fair / Poor	68%
Don't know	8%

63. Which of the following is the best way to measure the state of the U.S. economy?

Growth	25%
Unemployment	19%
Prices	36%
Not sure	21%

64. In 2021, U.S. gross domestic product (GDP) grew at the fastest rate (5.7 percent) since 1984. How responsible is Joe Biden for this?

Very responsible	16%
Somewhat responsible	24%
Very / Somewhat responsible	40%
Not very responsible	14%
Not at all responsible	22%
Not very / Not at all responsible	36%
Not sure	23%

65. In 2021, more U.S. jobs were created (6 million) than in any other year on record. How responsible is Joe Biden for this?

Very responsible	16%
Somewhat responsible	25%
Very / Somewhat responsible	41%
Not very responsible	15%
Not at all responsible	27%
Not very / Not at all responsible	42%
Not sure	17%

66. In 2021, U.S. inflation grew at the fastest rate (7 percent) since 1982. How responsible is Joe Biden for this?

Very responsible	31%
Somewhat responsible	23%
Very / Somewhat responsible	54%
Not very responsible	18%
Not at all responsible	10%
Not very / Not at all responsible	28%
Not sure	18%

67. Are you...?

Male	49%
Female	51%

68. Respondent age by category

Under 30	21%
30-44	25%
45-64	33%
65+	21%

69. What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

White	63%
Black	12%
Hispanic	16%
Other	9%

70. What is the highest level of education you have completed?

HS or less	38%
Some college	28%
College grad	21%
Postgrad	12%

71. Who did you vote for in the election for President in 2020?

Joe Biden	32%
Donald Trump	29%
Jo Jorgensen	1%
Howie Hawkins	0%
Other	1%
Did not vote for President	38%

72. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a ...?

Democrat	32%
Republican	25%
Independent	30%
Other	3%
Not sure	9%

73. In general, how would you describe your own political viewpoint?

Very liberal	11%
Liberal	15%
Moderate	30%
Conservative	19%
Very conservative	13%
Not sure	13%