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## 1. Support unemployment benefits

Currently, state unemployment insurance programs fund up to 26 weeks of unemployment insurance benefits for people who have lost their jobs through no fault of
their own, are able to go to work, and are actively searching for employment. Do you support or oppose state laws providing unemployment insurance benefits?


|  | Total | Race |  |  | Family Income |  |  |  | Region |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | White | Black | Hispanic | Under 40 | 40-80 | 80-100 | 100+ | Northeast | Midwest | South | West |
| Support strongly | 49\% | 49\% | 59\% | 43\% | 50\% | 49\% | 38\% | 59\% | 54\% | 49\% | 46\% | 52\% |
| Support somewhat | 33\% | 35\% | 25\% | 30\% | 31\% | 33\% | 46\% | 34\% | 28\% | 39\% | 34\% | 29\% |
| Oppose somewhat | 5\% | 6\% | 3\% | 5\% | 6\% | 7\% | 12\% | - | 6\% | 2\% | 7\% | 5\% |
| Oppose strongly | 4\% | 4\% | 2\% | 3\% | 4\% | 4\% | - | 4\% | 4\% | 3\% | 5\% | 2\% |
| Not sure | 9\% | 7\% | 11\% | 19\% | 10\% | 8\% | 4\% | 2\% | 8\% | 8\% | 8\% | 12\% |
| Totals | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% |
| (Unweighted N) | $(1,000)$ | (805) | (110) | (85) | (367) | (299) | (58) | (134) | (159) | (200) | (378) | (263) |

2. Support extended unemployment benefits

In 2009, Congress provided additional funds to extend unemployment insurance benefits from 26 weeks up to 40-73 weeks, depending on the state, for long-term unemployed people. Do you support or oppose the federal extension of unemployment benefits to long-term unemployed people?


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## 3. Attitude toward extending unemployment benefits

At the beginning of 2014, the federal program extending unemployment insurance benefits beyond 26 weeks ended. Which of the following statements do you agree with the most?

|  | Total | Gender |  | Age |  |  |  | Party ID |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Male | Female | 18-29 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | Democrat | Independent | Republican |
| The federal program should be renewed. | 35\% | 35\% | 35\% | 29\% | 33\% | 41\% | 34\% | 60\% | 26\% | 13\% |
| The federal program should be renewed, but only if the federal budget is cut in other areas to make up for the additional spending. | 27\% | 31\% | 25\% | 29\% | 25\% | 24\% | 36\% | 16\% | 32\% | 36\% |
| The federal program should not be renewed. | 24\% | 25\% | 23\% | 21\% | 24\% | 25\% | 27\% | 9\% | 26\% | 43\% |
| Not sure | 13\% | 9\% | 17\% | 21\% | 18\% | 10\% | 4\% | 16\% | 15\% | 7\% |
| Totals (Unweighted N) | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (997) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (472) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (525) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (153) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (242) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (398) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (202) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (349) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (407) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (241) \end{aligned}$ |

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|  | Total | Race |  |  | Family Income |  |  |  | Region |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | White | Black | Hispanic | Under 40 | 40-80 | 80-100 | 100+ | Northeast | Midwest | South | West |
| The federal program should be renewed. | 35\% | 31\% | 51\% | 41\% | 39\% | 34\% | 20\% | 44\% | 40\% | 34\% | 33\% | 33\% |
| The federal program should be renewed, but only if the federal budget is cut in other areas to make up for the additional spending. | 27\% | 29\% | 19\% | 28\% | 28\% | 26\% | 40\% | 26\% | 23\% | 29\% | 25\% | 33\% |
| The federal program should not be renewed. | 24\% | 29\% | 10\% | 11\% | 18\% | 27\% | 32\% | 25\% | 22\% | 25\% | 29\% | 18\% |
| Not sure | 13\% | 11\% | 21\% | 19\% | 15\% | 13\% | 8\% | 5\% | 15\% | 11\% | 12\% | 16\% |
| Totals (Unweighted N) | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (997) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (802) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (110) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 100 \% \\ (85) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (366) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (299) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 100 \% \\ (58) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (134) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (159) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (200) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (377) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (261) \end{aligned}$ |

4. Low long should people receive unemployment benefits

How long should unemployed people receive unemployment insurance benefits?

|  | Gender |  | Age |  |  |  | Party ID |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | Male | Female | 18-29 | 30-44 | 45-64 | $65+$ | Democrat | Independent | Republican |

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| to anyone. | 4\% | 4\% | 4\% | 6\% | 5\% | 3\% | 4\% | 3\% | 4\% | 6\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Up to 26 weeks | 35\% | 38\% | 32\% | 32\% | 32\% | 35\% | 45\% | 15\% | 39\% | 57\% |
| Up to 73 weeks | 26\% | 25\% | 27\% | 27\% | 20\% | 29\% | 28\% | 37\% | 23\% | 17\% |
| For as long as they are unemployed | 17\% | 17\% | 18\% | 16\% | 21\% | 18\% | 12\% | 27\% | 14\% | 10\% |
| Not sure | 17\% | 15\% | 19\% | 20\% | 22\% | 15\% | 11\% | 18\% | 21\% | 10\% |
| Totals (Unweighted N ) | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (998) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (471) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (527) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (153) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (242) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (399) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (201) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (348) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (410) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (240) \end{aligned}$ |


| Total | Race |  |  | Family Income |  |  |  | Region |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | White | Black | Hispanic | Under 40 | 40-80 | 80-100 | 100+ | Northeast | Midwest | South | West |


| The government should not provide unemployment insurance benefits |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| to anyone. | 4\% | 4\% | 6\% | 3\% | 4\% | 5\% | 1\% | 3\% | 2\% | 3\% | 7\% | 2\% |
| Up to 26 weeks | 35\% | 41\% | 14\% | 20\% | 27\% | 39\% | 52\% | 39\% | 35\% | 43\% | 33\% | 30\% |
| Up to 73 weeks | 26\% | 24\% | 39\% | 28\% | 27\% | 27\% | 26\% | 28\% | 33\% | 26\% | 24\% | 26\% |
| For as long as they |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| are unemployed | 17\% | 15\% | 22\% | 27\% | 24\% | 13\% | 9\% | 14\% | 14\% | 17\% | 15\% | 24\% |
| Not sure | 17\% | 16\% | 19\% | 22\% | 17\% | 16\% | 11\% | 16\% | 16\% | 12\% | 20\% | 19\% |
| Totals | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% |
| (Unweighted N) | (998) | (804) | (109) | (85) | (365) | (299) | (58) | (134) | (159) | (199) | (377) | (263) |

## 5. Agree with moral hazard of unemployment benefits

Do you agree or disagree that giving long-term unemployed people a weekly payment gives them a reason not to look for work?

|  | Total | Gender |  | Age |  |  |  | Party ID |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Male | Female | 18-29 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | Democrat | Independent | Republican |
| Agree strongly | 25\% | 26\% | 24\% | 18\% | 19\% | 28\% | 35\% | 10\% | 26\% | 44\% |
| Agree somewhat | 28\% | 29\% | 28\% | 29\% | 29\% | 26\% | 30\% | 24\% | 31\% | 29\% |
| Disagree somewhat | 18\% | 18\% | 19\% | 24\% | 18\% | 19\% | 9\% | 23\% | 18\% | 11\% |
| Disagree strongly | 20\% | 21\% | 20\% | 14\% | 22\% | 23\% | 22\% | 34\% | 15\% | 10\% |
| Not sure | 8\% | 6\% | 10\% | 15\% | 11\% | 4\% | 4\% | 8\% | 10\% | 6\% |
| Totals <br> (Unweighted N) | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (999) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (473) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 100 \% \\ & (526) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (153) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (242) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (400) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (201) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (348) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 100 \% \\ & (410) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (241) \end{aligned}$ |


|  | Total | Race |  |  | Family Income |  |  |  | Region |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | White | Black | Hispanic | Under 40 | 40-80 | 80-100 | 100+ | Northeast | Midwest | South | West |
| Agree strongly | 25\% | 30\% | 7\% | 14\% | 20\% | 27\% | 36\% | 28\% | 22\% | 25\% | 29\% | 20\% |
| Agree somewhat | 28\% | 30\% | 27\% | 21\% | 24\% | 32\% | 32\% | 29\% | 28\% | 33\% | 25\% | 28\% |
| Disagree |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| somewhat | 18\% | 17\% | 22\% | 22\% | 24\% | 14\% | 16\% | 19\% | 17\% | 18\% | 19\% | 18\% |
| Disagree strongly | 20\% | 17\% | 34\% | 28\% | 22\% | 19\% | 14\% | 22\% | 24\% | 16\% | 20\% | 22\% |
| Not sure | 8\% | 7\% | 9\% | 15\% | 11\% | 7\% | 2\% | 1\% | 9\% | 7\% | 7\% | 11\% |
| Totals | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% |
| (Unweighted N ) | (999) | (804) | (110) | (85) | (366) | (299) | (58) | (134) | (158) | (200) | (378) | (263) |

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## 6. Share of people on unemployment actively looking for work

What share of people receiving unemployment insurance benefits do you think are actively looking for work?

|  | Total | Gender |  | Age |  |  |  | Party ID |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Male | Female | 18-29 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | Democrat | Independent | Republican |
| None | 2\% | 1\% | 3\% | 0\% | 3\% | 1\% | 3\% | 1\% | 2\% | 2\% |
| Some | 30\% | 30\% | 29\% | 26\% | 29\% | 30\% | 34\% | 18\% | 31\% | 45\% |
| At least half | 26\% | 24\% | 28\% | 28\% | 23\% | 27\% | 26\% | 22\% | 28\% | 29\% |
| Most | 30\% | 32\% | 28\% | 26\% | 29\% | 32\% | 30\% | 47\% | 24\% | 16\% |
| All | 5\% | 3\% | 6\% | 6\% | 5\% | 4\% | 3\% | 7\% | 4\% | 2\% |
| Not sure | 8\% | 10\% | 6\% | 13\% | 11\% | 5\% | 5\% | 5\% | 11\% | 6\% |
| Totals | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% |
| (Unweighted N) | (998) | (472) | (526) | (153) | (241) | (400) | (201) | (348) | (409) | (241) |


|  | Total | Race |  |  | Family Income |  |  |  | Region |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | White | Black | Hispanic | Under 40 | 40-80 | 80-100 | 100+ | Northeast | Midwest | South | West |
| None | 2\% | 2\% | 1\% | 3\% | 3\% | 1\% | 2\% | - | 2\% | 2\% | 2\% | 2\% |
| Some | 30\% | 33\% | 16\% | 23\% | 24\% | 36\% | 40\% | 29\% | 27\% | 35\% | 32\% | 22\% |
| At least half | 26\% | 26\% | 27\% | 24\% | 25\% | 29\% | 28\% | 20\% | 24\% | 26\% | 24\% | 29\% |
| Most | 30\% | 28\% | 43\% | 29\% | 35\% | 24\% | 19\% | 39\% | 31\% | 29\% | 28\% | 33\% |
| All | 5\% | 4\% | 6\% | 9\% | 7\% | 3\% | 3\% | 4\% | 6\% | 3\% | 5\% | 4\% |
| Not sure | 8\% | 8\% | 8\% | 11\% | 6\% | 8\% | 8\% | 8\% | 9\% | 5\% | 9\% | 10\% |
| Totals (Unweighted N) | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (998) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (803) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (110) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 100 \% \\ (85) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (366) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 100 \% \\ & (299) \end{aligned}$ | $100 \%$ <br> (58) | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (134) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 100 \% \\ & (159) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 100 \% \\ & (199) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (377) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (263) \end{aligned}$ |

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## 7. Average weekly benefit

On average, how much per week do you think people get paid in unemployment insurance benefits?


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## 8. Proper weekly benefit

How much per week do you think people shoulg get paid in unemployment insurance benefits?

|  | Total | Gender |  |  |  | Age |  |  |  |  |  | Party ID |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Male |  | Female |  | 18-29 |  | 30-44 |  | 45-64 | 65+ | Democrat | Independ |  | Republican |
| Mean | 307 | 355 |  | 261 |  | 394 |  | 282 |  | 297 | 255 | 290 | 276 |  | 391 |
|  |  |  | Race |  |  |  |  |  | Family | Income |  |  | Regi |  |  |
|  | Total | White | Black |  | Hispanic |  | Under 40 |  | 40-80 | 80-100 | 100+ | Northeast | Midwest | South | West |
| Mean | 307 | 323 | 269 |  | 258 |  | 248 |  | 381 | 322 | 315 | 289 | 400 | 268 | 292 |

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9. Know anyone on unemployment

Do you personally know anyone who has ever received unemployment insurance benefits?


|  | Total | Race |  |  | Family Income |  |  |  | Region |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | White | Black | Hispanic | Under 40 | 40-80 | 80-100 | 100+ | Northeast | Midwest | South | West |
| Yes | 70\% | 73\% | 66\% | 61\% | 66\% | 72\% | 85\% | 75\% | 74\% | 67\% | 71\% | 70\% |
| No | 20\% | 19\% | 24\% | 22\% | 21\% | 22\% | 11\% | 16\% | 19\% | 20\% | 22\% | 16\% |
| Not sure | 8\% | 7\% | 8\% | 16\% | 11\% | 5\% | 3\% | 8\% | 7\% | 11\% | 5\% | 12\% |
| Prefer not to say | 2\% | 2\% | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | - | 1\% | 3\% | 2\% |
| Totals | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% |
| (Unweighted N) | (999) | (804) | (110) | (85) | (366) | (299) | (58) | (134) | (158) | (200) | (378) | (263) |

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10. Ever been on unemployment

Keeping in mind that your answers are strictly confidential, have you ever received unemployment insurance benefits?

|  | Total | Gender |  | Age |  |  |  | Party ID |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Male | Female | 18-29 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | Democrat | Independent | Republican |
| Yes | 43\% | 46\% | 41\% | 19\% | 39\% | 56\% | 55\% | 41\% | 42\% | 48\% |
| No | 55\% | 52\% | 58\% | 79\% | 59\% | 42\% | 44\% | 58\% | 55\% | 52\% |
| Prefer not to say | 2\% | 3\% | 1\% | 2\% | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 3\% | 1\% |
| Totals | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% |
| (Unweighted N) | (998) | (472) | (526) | (153) | (240) | (400) | (202) | (348) | (409) | (241) |


11. Know someone who will stop receiving benefit

Do you personally know anyone who has stopped receiving or will stop receiving unemployment insurance benefits because of the end of the federal program?

|  | Total | Gender |  | Age |  |  |  | Party ID |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Male | Female | 18-29 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | Democrat | Independent | Republican |
| Yes | 26\% | 25\% | 27\% | 16\% | 26\% | 31\% | 26\% | 27\% | 25\% | 26\% |
| No | 58\% | 60\% | 56\% | 60\% | 56\% | 57\% | 61\% | 58\% | 57\% | 60\% |
| Not sure | 14\% | 12\% | 16\% | 21\% | 14\% | 11\% | 12\% | 14\% | 15\% | 14\% |
| Prefer not to say | 2\% | 2\% | 1\% | 3\% | 3\% | 0\% | 0\% | 1\% | 3\% | - |
| Totals | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% |
| (Unweighted N) | (999) | (472) | (527) | (153) | (241) | (400) | (202) | (349) | (409) | (241) |


|  | Total | Race |  |  | Family Income |  |  |  | Region |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | White | Black | Hispanic | Under 40 | 40-80 | 80-100 | 100+ | Northeast | Midwest | South | West |
| Yes | 26\% | 23\% | 37\% | 30\% | 24\% | 26\% | 31\% | 25\% | 29\% | 23\% | 25\% | 28\% |
| No | 58\% | 61\% | 49\% | 51\% | 60\% | 59\% | 58\% | 60\% | 54\% | 53\% | 65\% | 55\% |
| Not sure | 14\% | 15\% | 12\% | 14\% | 14\% | 14\% | 11\% | 15\% | 16\% | 22\% | 8\% | 14\% |
| Prefer not to say | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% | 5\% | 2\% | 0\% | - | 1\% | 0\% | 1\% | 2\% | 3\% |
| Totals | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% |
| (Unweighted N) | (999) | (804) | (110) | (85) | (367) | (299) | (57) | (134) | (159) | (200) | (378) | (262) |

