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Field Dates: March 23-24, 2022

#### **SURVEY METHOD**

This survey was conducted online within the United States from Field Dates:
March 23-24, 2022 among
1,990 registered voters
by The Harris Poll.

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

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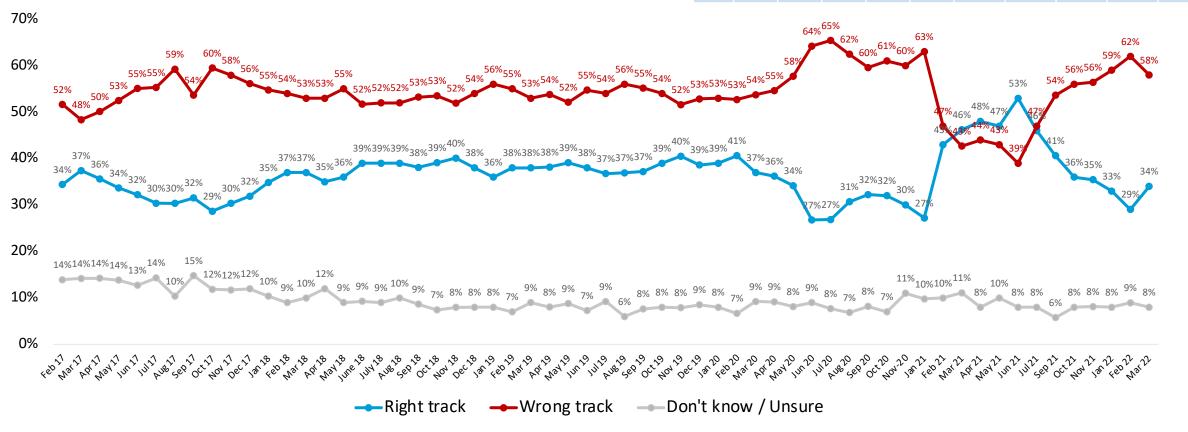
## APPROVAL AND MOOD OF COUNTRY

## ONLY ONE THIRD OF VOTERS TODAY SAY THE COUNTRY IS ON THE RIGHT TRACK

#### **Country: Right Track / Wrong Track**

#### % Who Say "Right Track"

	04/21	5/21	6/21	7/21	9/21	10/21	11/21	01/22	02/22	03/22
GOP	25%	27%	32%	28%	19%	11%	18%	14%	12%	13%
DEM	75%	76%	81%	73%	71%	66%	60%	58%	53%	62%
IND	41%	36%	44%	32%	29%	28%	26%	28%	20%	24%



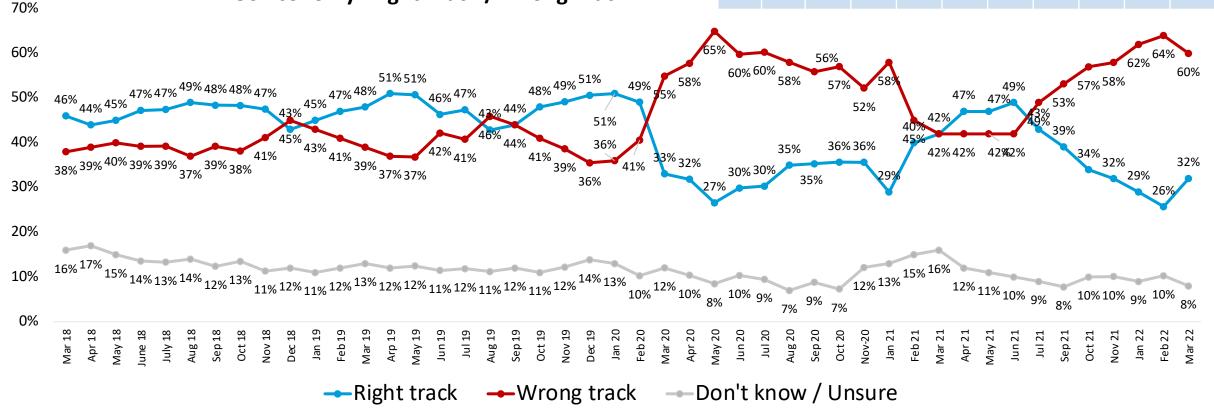
#### VIEWS OF THE DIRECTION OF AMERICAN ECONOMY

HAVE TICKED UP SLIGHTLY BUT STILL SIGNIFICANTLY UNDERWATER

#### % Who Say "Right Track"

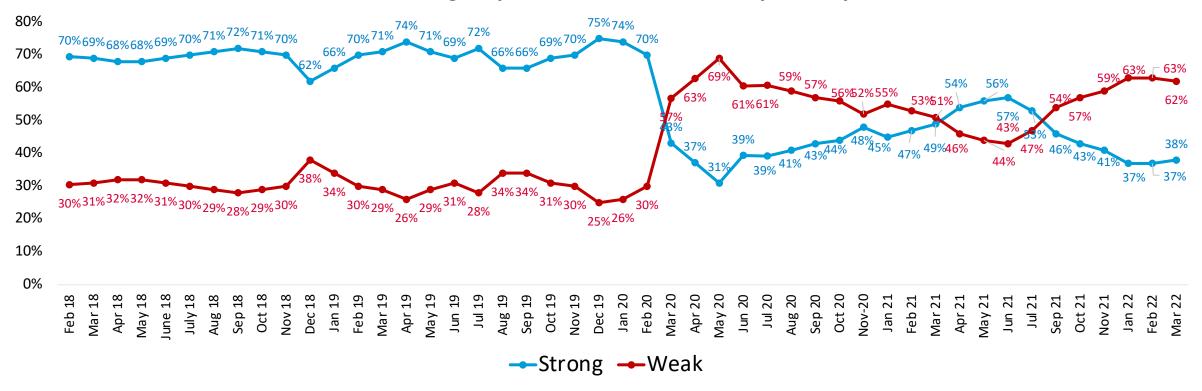
	04/21	5/21	6/21	7/21	9/21	10/21	11/21	01/22	02/22	03/22
GOP	28%	27%	29%	28%	20%	11%	16%	13%	9%	13%
DEM	70%	76%	71%	67%	66%	60%	55%	50%	49%	57%
IND	39%	36%	45%	30%	29%	27%	24%	23%	15%	22%

#### **US Economy: Right Track / Wrong Track**

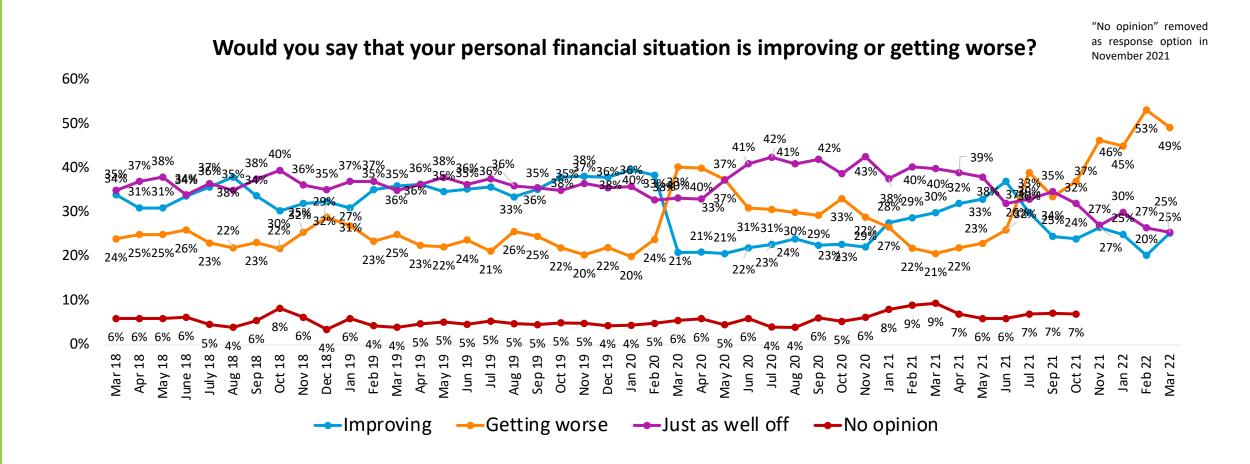


## PERCEIVED STRENGTH OF U.S. ECONOMY REMAINS AT A LOW FOR THE BIDEN ADMINISTRATION

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

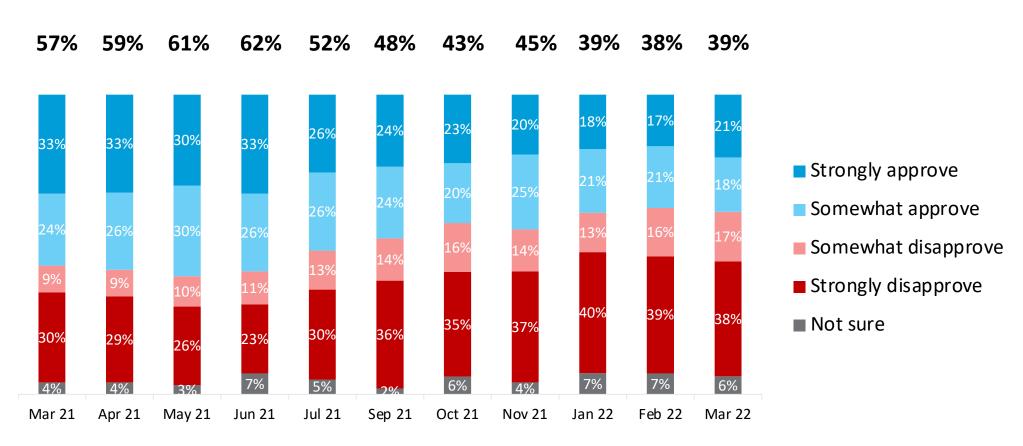


## MORE THAN TWICE AS MANY VOTERS SAY THEY ARE FINANCIALLY 'GETTING WORSE' TODAY AS COMPARED TO A YEAR AGO



#### BIDEN'S APPROVAL IS STEADY MONTH OVER MONTH, NOW AT 39 PERCENT

#### **President Biden Overall Approval**

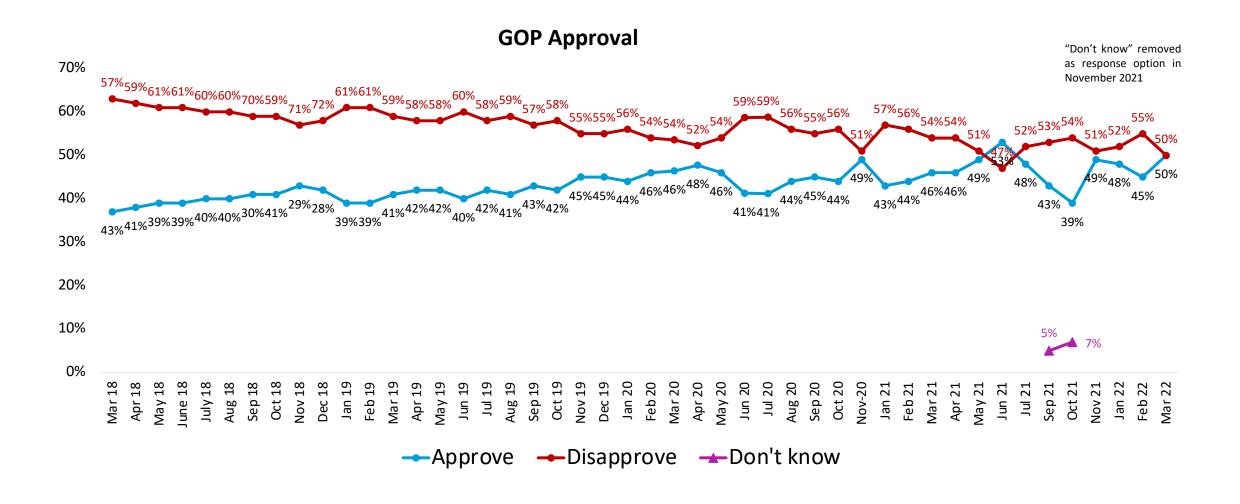


#### MOST VOTERS DO NOT APPROVE OF BIDEN IN ANY GIVEN AREA

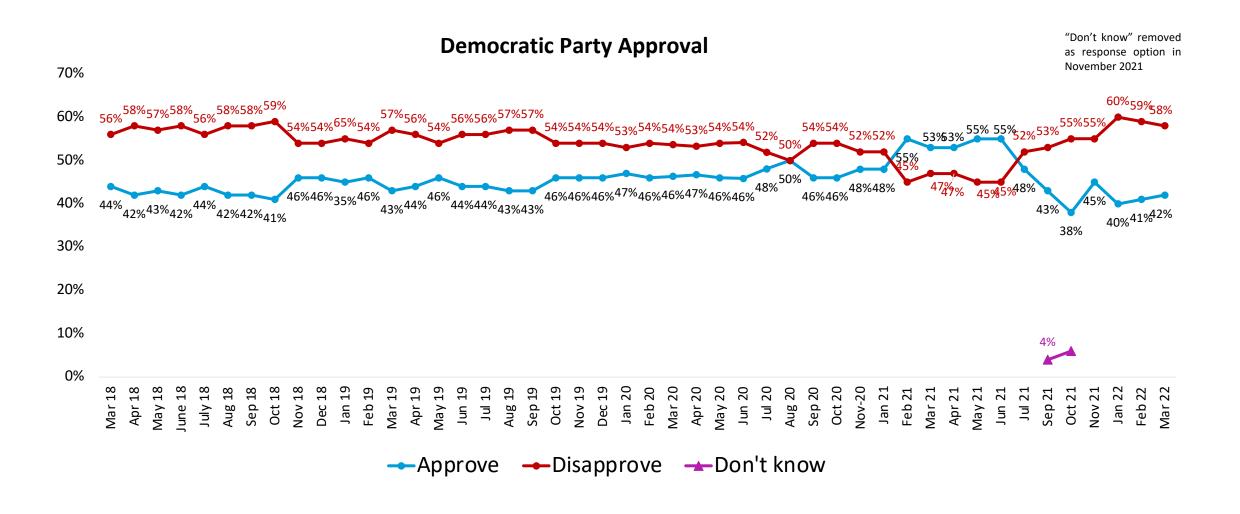
### Approve Biden on... (Strongly or Somewhat Approve)

	January 2021 (Trump)	February 2021 (Biden)	March 2021	April 2021	May 2021	June 2021	July 2021	Sept 2021	Oct 2021	Nov 2021	Jan 2022	Feb 2022	Mar 2022
The Economy	56%	61%	60%	60%	62%	61%	54%	44%	40%	41%	35%	33%	35%
Stimulating Jobs	58%	58%	59%	59%	62%	61%	57%	46%	44%	45%	41%	38%	39%
Fighting Terrorism	55%	59%	59%	58%	59%	59%	54%	41%	39%	40%	38%	34%	36%
Immigration	52%	56%	48%	52%	53%	52%	49%	40%	35%	35%	34%	32%	34%
Foreign Affairs	52%	61%	56%	58%	58%	59%	53%	40%	39%	39%	35%	33%	38%
Administering the Gov't	49%	62%	60%	62%	61%	62%	57%	45%	42%	44%	40%	38%	35%
Reacting to coronavirus	47%	68%	71%	69%	70%	69%	63%	52%	50%	50%	44%	44%	42%
Dealing with violence and crime in the country				55%	56%	56%	50%	41%	38%	39%	36%	33%	34%
Handling inflation											31%	28%	33%

#### GOP APPROVAL IS SPLIT 50/50

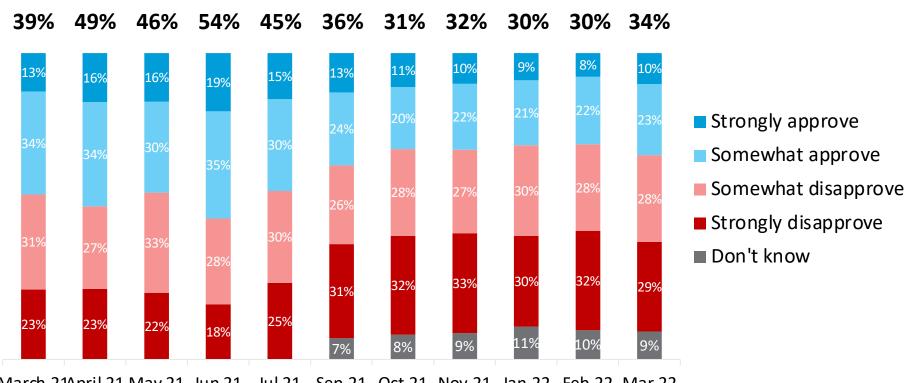


#### DEMOCRATIC PARTY APPROVAL REMAINS IN LOW 40'S



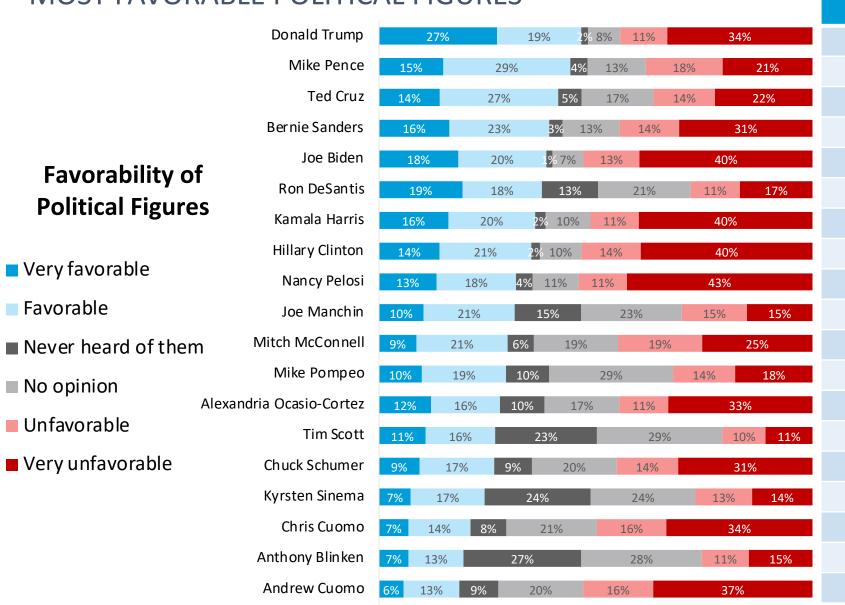
#### VOTERS OVERALL APPROVAL OF CONGRESS REMAINS IN LOW 30'S

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



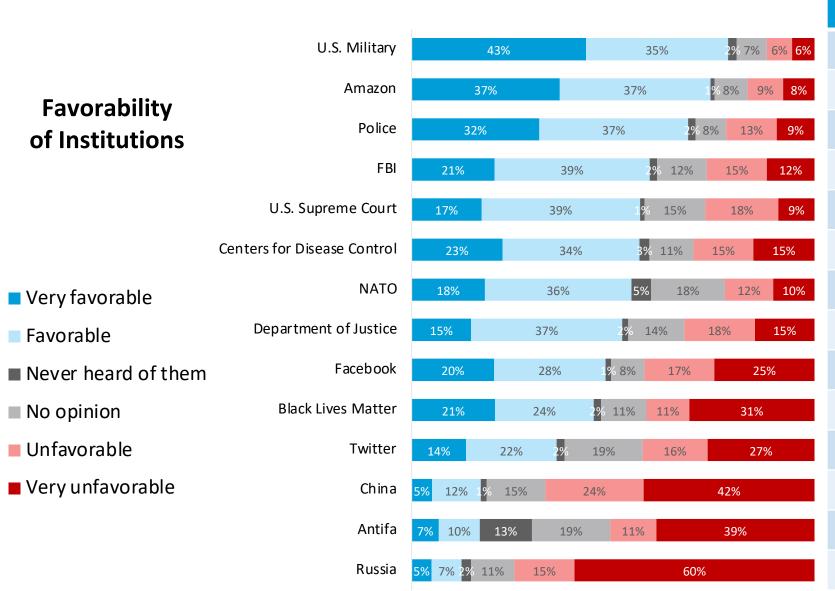
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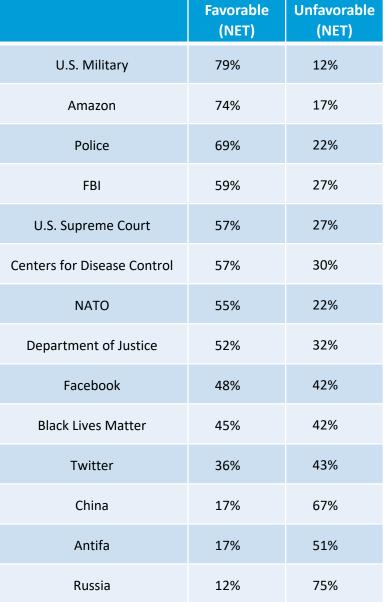
## TRUMP, PENCE AND SANDERS ARE TOP THREE MOST FAVORABLE POLITICAL FIGURES



	Favorable (NET)	Unfavorable (NET)
Donald Trump	48%	44%
Mike Pence	44%	40%
Bernie Sanders	42%	40%
Ted Cruz	40%	38%
Joe Biden	40%	52%
Hillary Clinton	39%	51%
Ron DeSantis	38%	30%
Kamala Harris	38%	51%
Nancy Pelosi	34%	54%
Joe Manchin	30%	31%
Mike Pompeo	30%	32%
Chuck Schumer	30%	42%
Mitch McConnell	29%	46%
Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez	28%	42%
Tim Scott	27%	22%
Anthony Blinken	25%	26%
Kyrsten Sinema	23%	27%
Chris Cuomo	23%	45%
Vladimir Putin	13%	74%

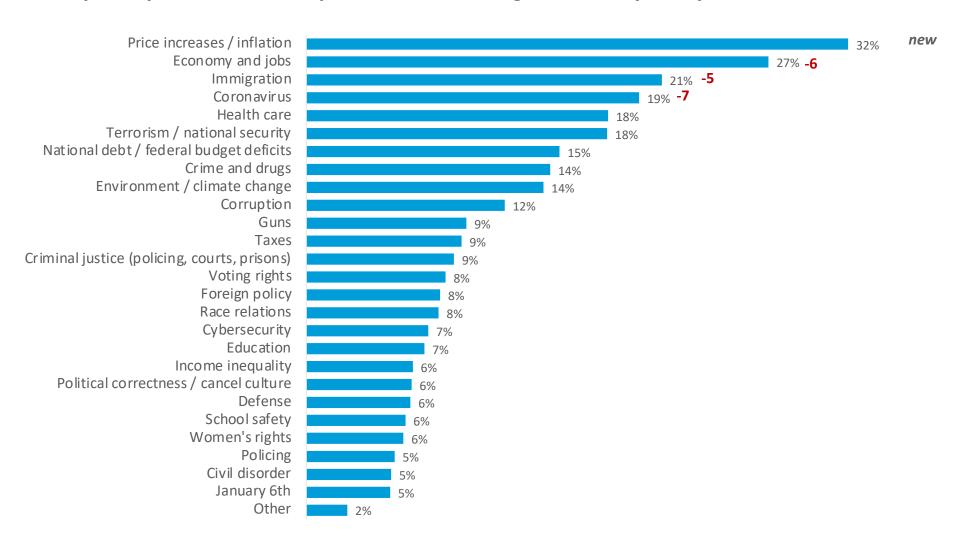
## MILITARY, AMAZON AND POLICE ARE MOST FAVORABLE INSTITUTIONS





#### INFLATION IS THE TOP ISSUE FACING AMERICAN VOTERS

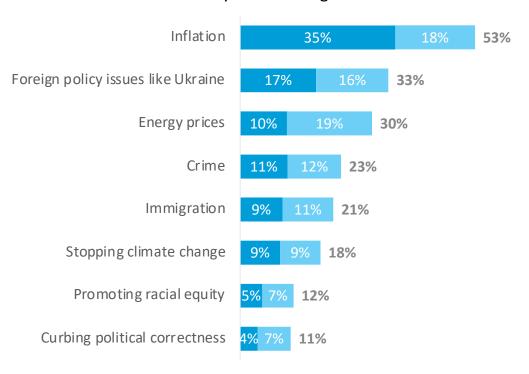
#### What would you say are the most important issues facing the country today? Please select three.



## MORE THAN HALF OF VOTERS SAY INFLATION IS THEIR BIGGEST OR SECOND BIGGEST CONCERN

#### What is your greatest / second greatest concern?

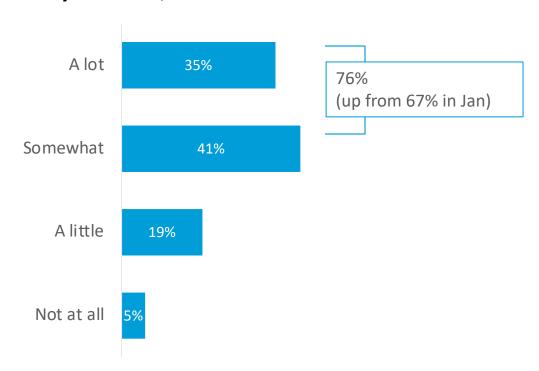
- Right now, which is your greatest concern
- Which is your second greatest concern



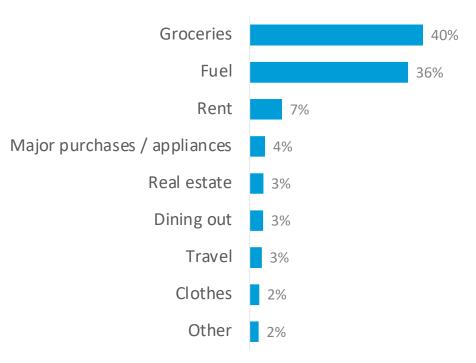
**ISSX:** What is your greatest / second greatest concern?

#### THREE-QUARTERS OF VOTERS SAY THEY HAVE BEEN AFFECTED BY INFLATION

### How much have you personally been impacted by inflation, if at all?

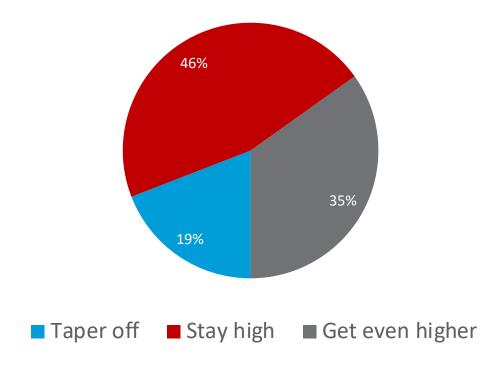


### Which impacts of inflation/ rising prices have you felt the most, if any?

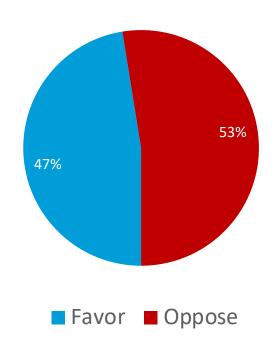


#### FEW VOTERS THINK THAT INFLATION WILL TAPER OFF

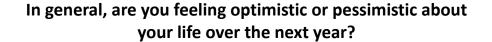
Do you think inflation will taper off, stay high or get even higher?

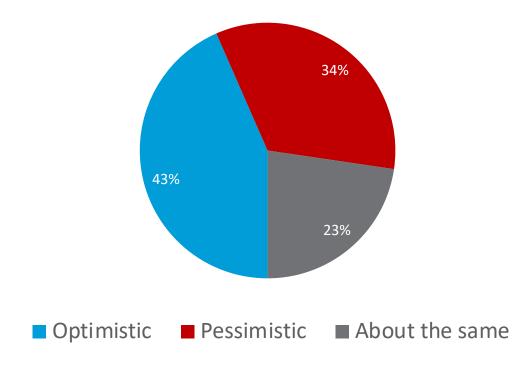


Do you favor the Federal Reserve aggressively raising interest rates to fight rising inflation or do you oppose it because that will do more harm than good?

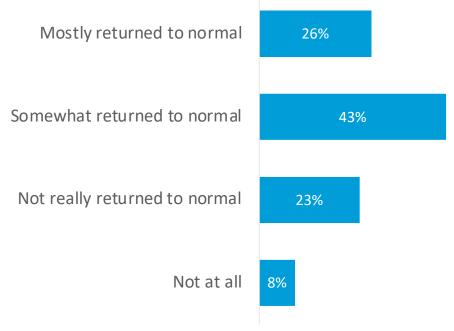


#### MORE VOTERS FEEL OPTIMISTIC THAN PESSIMISTIC OVER THE NEXT YEAR





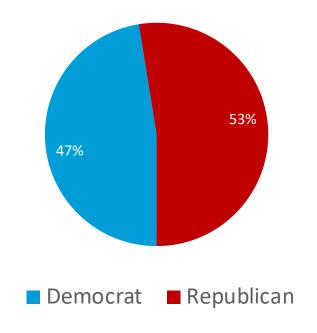
## In general, how much do you think your life has returned to normal since the start of the pandemic?



## MIDTERMS & HORSERACE

#### CONGRESSIONAL (GENERIC) HORSERACE STRONGLY FAVORS GOP

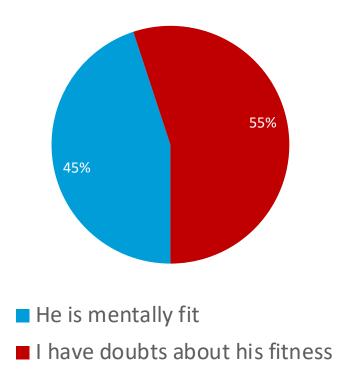
If the congressional election were held today would you be more likely to vote for a Democrat or a Republican for Congress?



	Democrat	Republican
Democrat	94%	6%
Republican	6%	94%
Independent + Other	39%	61%
Male	47%	53%
Female	48%	52%
White	41%	59%
Black or African American	73%	27%
Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin	56%	44%
18-34	56%	44%
35-54	48%	52%
55+	41%	59%
Urban	66%	34%
Suburban	44%	56%
Rural	30%	70%

#### MOST SAY THEY HAVE DOUBTS ABOUT BIDEN'S MENTAL FITNESS

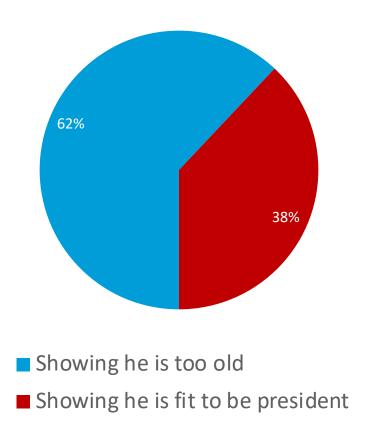
Is Joe Biden mentally fit to serve as President of the United States or do you have doubts about his fitness for office? (Split sample)



	He is mentally fit	I have doubts about his fitness
Democrat	78%	22%
Republican	19%	81%
Independent + Other	35%	65%
Male	47%	53%
Female	44%	56%
White	40%	60%
Black or African American	66%	34%
Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin	52%	48%
18-34	50%	50%
35-54	47%	53%
55+	40%	60%
Urban	61%	39%
Suburban	42%	58%
Rural	29%	71%

## CLOSE TO TWO-THIRDS OF VOTERS SAY BIDEN IS SHOWING HE IS TOO OLD TO BE PRESIDENT

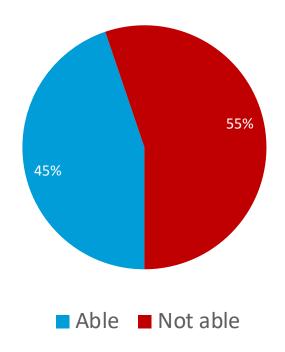
Do you think Joe Biden is showing he is too old to be President or do you think he is showing he is fit to be president?



	Showing he is too old	Showing he is fit to be president
Democrat	33%	67%
Republican	88%	12%
Independent + Other	68%	32%
Male	63%	37%
Female	62%	38%
White	64%	36%
Black or African American	43%	57%
Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin	67%	33%
18-34	63%	37%
35-54	57%	43%
55+	65%	35%
Urban	47%	53%
Suburban	65%	35%
Rural	75%	25%

#### VOTERS ARE UNSURE IF BIDEN CAN HANDLE DIFFICULT INTERNATIONAL ISSUES

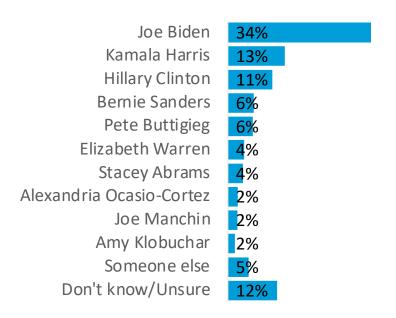
Do you think President Biden is able to handle difficult international issues like defending Ukraine from the Russians and protecting Taiwan from China or is he not able to handle these kinds of problems?



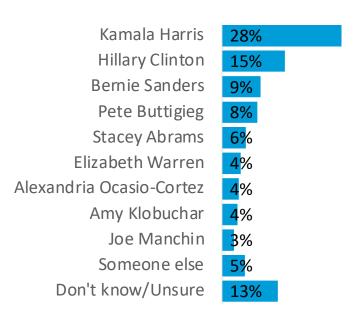
	Able	Not Able
Democrat	80%	20%
Republican	17%	83%
Independent + Other	34%	66%
Male	48%	52%
Female	42%	58%
White	40%	60%
Black or African American	64%	36%
Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin	48%	52%
18-34	53%	47%
35-54	46%	54%
55+	38%	62%
Urban	63%	37%
Suburban	41%	59%
Rural	30%	70%

## IN DEMOCRATIC HORSERACE, BIDEN IS THE FAVORITE BUT ONLY COLLECTS THE SUPPORT OF A THIRD OF DEMOCRATS TODAY

If the Democratic presidential primary for the 2024 election was held today, who would you vote for? (DEM voters)

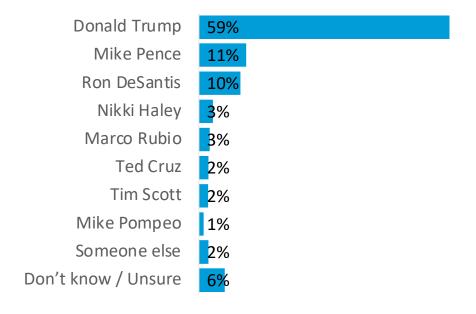


If President Biden decides not to run again in 2024, who would you prefer to be the Democratic candidate? (DEM voters)

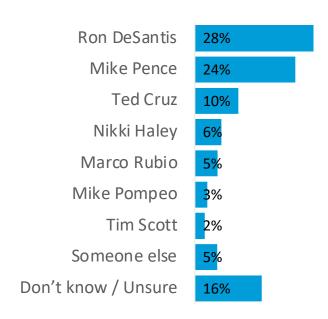


## TRUMP IS A CLEAR FAVORITE IN A PROSPECTIVE GOP PRIMARY; PENCE AND DESANTIS ARE RUNNERS UP

If the Republican presidential primary for the 2024 election was held today, who would you vote for? (GOP voters)

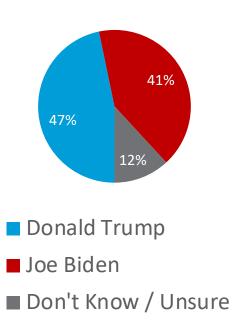


If former President Donald Trump does not run for president in 2024, who would you vote for in the GOP primary? (GOP voters)

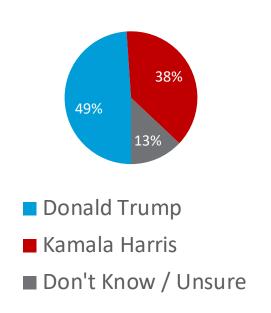


#### TRUMPS WINS HYPOTHETICAL HORSERACES VERSUS BIDEN OR HARRIS

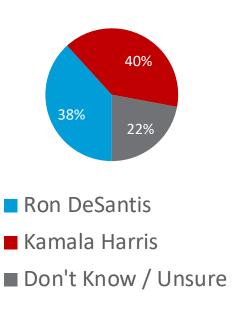
If the 2024 election for President were held today and it was between Donald Trump, the Republican and Joe Biden, the Democrat, who would you vote for?



If the 2024 election for President were held today and it was between Donald Trump, the Republican and Kamala Harris, the Democrat, who would you vote for?



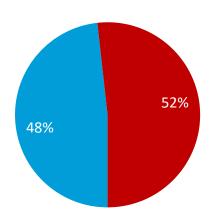
If the 2024 election for President were held today and it was between Ron DeSantis, the Republican and Kamala Harris, the Democrat, who would you vote for?



# ISSUES IN THE NEWS

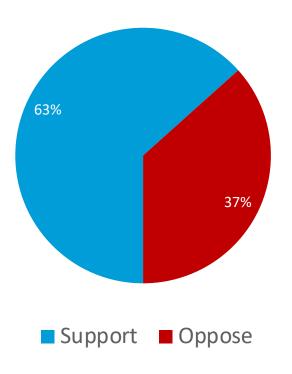
## VOTERS ACROSS THE COUNTRY SUPPORT REMOVING DISTRICT ATTORNEYS THAT ARE PULLING BACK ON PROSECUTING VIOLENT OFFENDERS

Turning to the issue of crime. Do you think big city district attorneys today are prosecuting violent offenders sufficiently or are they pulling back from prosecuting them?



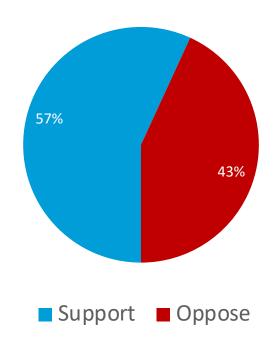
- Prosecuting violent offenders sufficiently
- Pulling back from prosecuting them

Would you support or oppose removing district attorneys that are pulling back on prosecuting violent offenders?



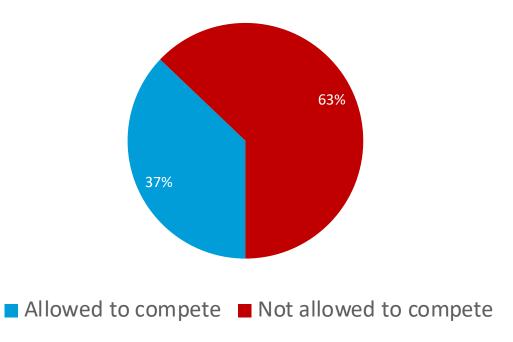
## A MAJORITY OF VOTERS SUPPORT THE APPROVAL OF KETANJI BROWN JACKSON TO SCOTUS

Do you support or oppose the U.S. Senate voting to confirm Ketanji Brown Jackson, President Biden's choice for the Supreme Court?



## A LARGE MAJORITY OF VOTERS THINK GENDER TRANSITIONING ATHLETES SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN OPPOSITE SEX SPORTING EVENTS

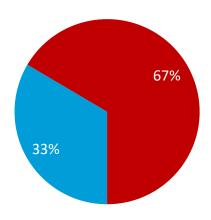
Should athletes in the process of changing genders be able to compete in the other sex's sport events or not be allowed to compete?



	Allowed	Not Allowed
Democrat	60%	40%
Republican	20%	80%
Independent + Other	32%	68%
18-34	56%	44%
35-54	48%	52%
55-64	24%	76%
65+	18%	82%

## A LARGE MAJORITY OF VOTERS THINK GENDER TRANSITIONING ATHLETES SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN OPPOSITE SEX SPORTING EVENTS

Do you think info about sexuality should be taught in schools at kindergarten through third grade levels or should such topics be left to parents to discuss with their young children?



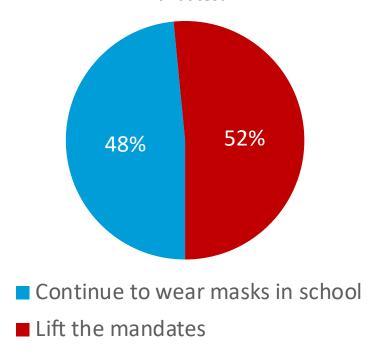
■ Taught in schools

■ Be left to parents to discuss with their children

	Taught	Not Taught
Democrat	50%	50%
Republican	18%	82%
Independent + Other	32%	68%
White	28%	72%
Black/ AA	44%	56%
Hispanic	44%	56%
Asian	49%	51%
18-34	52%	48%
35-54	38%	62%
55-64	22%	78%
65+	18%	82%

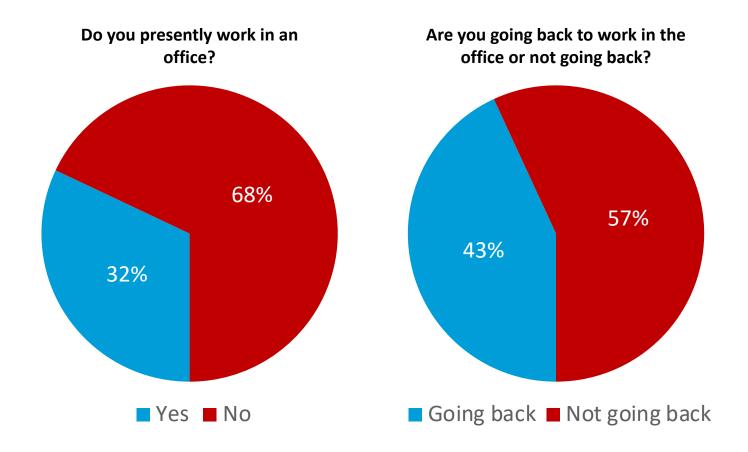
## A SLIGHT MAJORITY OF VOTERS FAVOR LIFTING MASK MANDATES FOR KIDS IN SCHOOL

Do you think kids in school should have to continue to weak masks all day in school or is it time to lift those mandates?

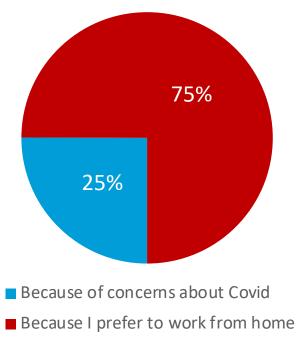


	Continue	Lift Mandates
Democrat	69%	31%
Republican	29%	71%
Independent + Other	48%	52%
Urban	62%	38%
Suburban	46%	54%
Rural	39%	61%

#### MOST VOTERS SAY THEY WILL NOT RETURN TO AN OFFICE



Is that because of Covid or because you prefer working from home?
[Among those not going back]



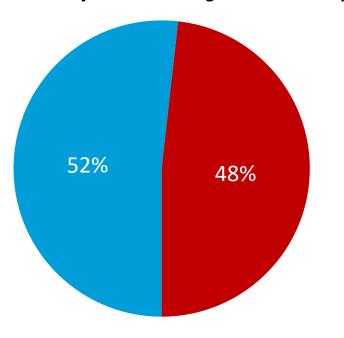
COV203: Do you presently work in an office?

**COV204:** Are you going back to work in the office or not going back?

**COV205:** Is that because of Covid or because you prefer working from home?

#### VOTERS MARGINALLY SAY THAT DEM-LED STATES DID BETTER IN CONTROLLING COVID

Do you think Democratic states have done a better job controlling Covid and keeping the economy open or that Republican states have done a better job of controlling Covid while keeping the economy open?



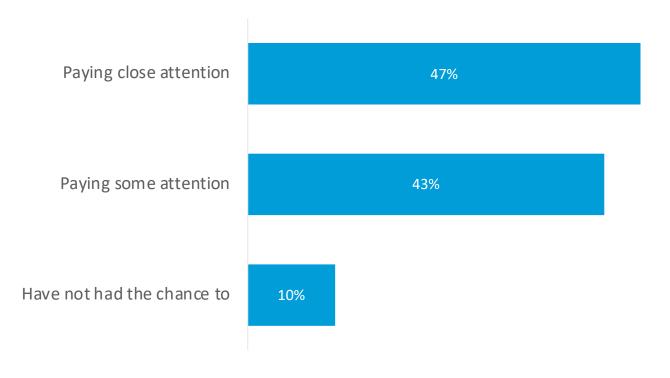
■ Democratic states have done a better job

■ Republican states have done a better

# WAR IN UKRAINE

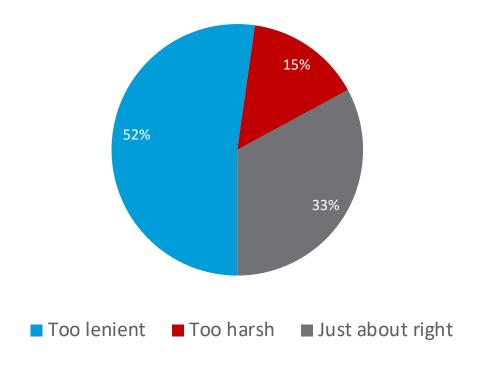
### VIRTUALLY ALL VOTERS HAVE SOME IDEA OF THE RUSSIA INVASION OF UKRAINE

### Have you been paying attention to Russia's all-out invasion of Ukraine, or have you not had the chance to?

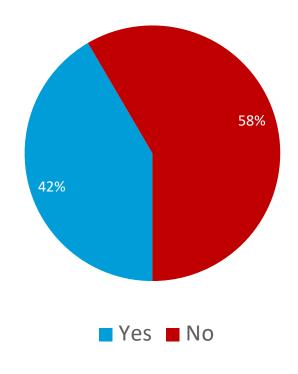


### MOST SAY THAT BIDEN HAS BEEN TOO LENIENT IN DEALING WITH RUSSIA AND THAT PUTIN WOULD NOT HAVE INVADED IF TRUMP WAS PRESIDENT

Do you think President Biden has been too lenient, to harsh, or just about right in his response to Russia's invasion of Ukraine so far?

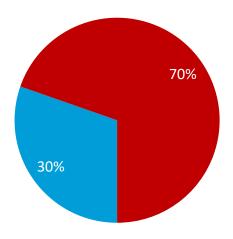


Would Vladimir Putin be moving against Ukraine if Donald Trump were president?



# MOST SAY THAT BIDEN AND NATO HAVE NOT GONE FAR ENOUGH IN PUNISHING RUSSIA

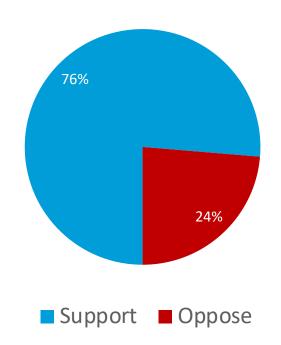
Have President Biden and NATO allies gone far enough in sanctioning Russia for its invasion of Ukraine, or do they need to roll out more punishing measures on Russia?



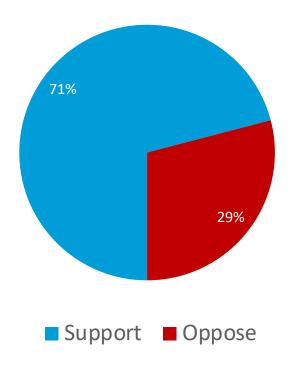
- Gone far enough in sanctioning Russia
- Need to roll out more punishing measures

### MORE THAN 7 IN 10 VOTERS SUPPORT NATO AND THE U.S. PROVIDING VARIOUS FORMS OF MILITARY SUPPORT TO UKRAINE

Do you support or oppose the United States and NATO sending missile defense systems for Ukrainians to defend their population centers or not?

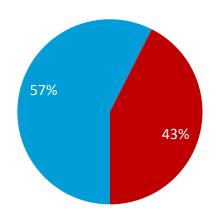


Do you support or oppose the United States and NATO sending military aircraft to the Ukrainian air force or not?



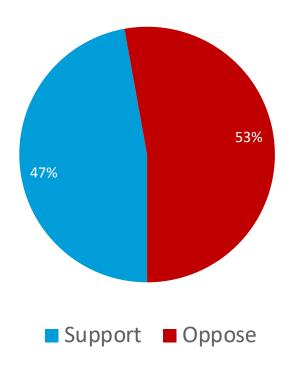
# MOST VOTERS SUPPORT IMPOSING A NO-FLY ZONE OVER UKRAINIAN CITIES TO PREVENT THE BOMBING OF CIVILIAN CENTERS; THEY ARE SPLIT BUT LEANING AWAY FROM PUTTING BOOTS ON THE GROUND IN UKRAINE

Should the United States and NATO impose a no-fly zone over Ukrainian cities to prevent the bombing of civilian centers by Russia, or should they not directly interfere for fear of creating a direct confrontation with Russia?



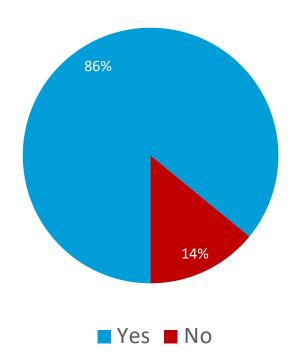
- Impose a no-fly zone over Ukrainian cities
- Not directly interfere

Do you support or oppose the United States and NATO sending troops into Ukraine at this stage of the conflict?

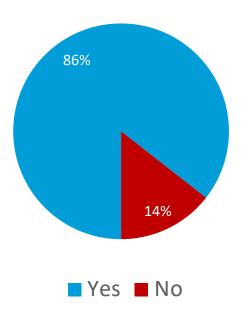


# AN OVERWHELMING MAJORITY ARE CONVINCED THAT RUSSIAN LEADERS HAVE COMMITTED WAR CRIMES, BELIEVING THEY SHOULD BE TRIED BY THE INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE

Do you think so far Russia has committed war crimes in its invasion of Ukraine or not?

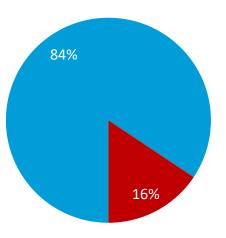


Should Russian leaders involved in the planning and execution of Russia's invasion of Ukraine be investigated, and if found guilty, tried by the International Court of Justice or not?



### VOTERS BELIEVE VLADIMIR PUTIN IS PERSONALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR WAR CRIMES

Do you think so far Vladimir Putin is personally responsible for actions leading to war crimes in Russia's invasion of Ukraine or not?

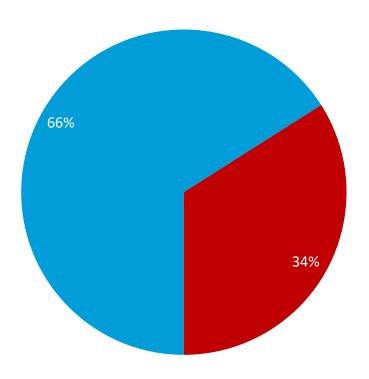


- Yes, Putin has committed war crimes
- No, Putin has not committed war crimes

# IMPACT OF THE UKRAINE WAR AT HOME

MOST VOTERS SAY BIDEN SHOULD RELAX OIL AND GAS DRILLING REGULATIONS IN RESPONSE TO RISING PRICES, PUTTING ASIDE CONCERNS ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE; THEY OPPOSE TRYING TO IMPORT CHEAP OIL AND GAS FROM AUTHORITARIAN REGIMES

#### **Should President Biden...?**



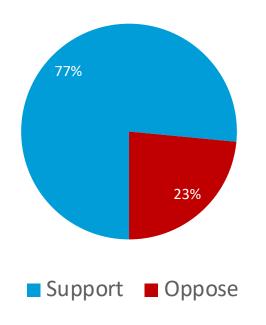
■ Relax oil and gas drilling regulations in the United States in response to rising prices from Russia's war in Ukraine despite protests from those worried with climate change

■ Try to import cheap oil and gas from authoritarian regimes like Saudi Arabia and Venezuela at any cost but keep his policies on climate change in place

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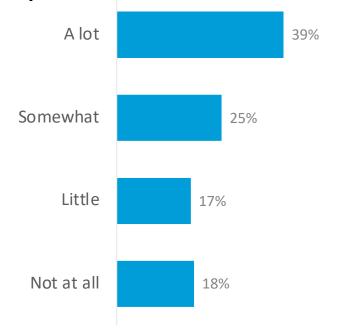
### AN OVERWHELMING MAJORITY SUPPORT OPENING THE KEYSTONE XL PIPELINE

Do you support or oppose the Biden administration opening the Keystone XL pipeline bringing oil from Canada to the United States as a response to raising prices and Russia's war in Ukraine?

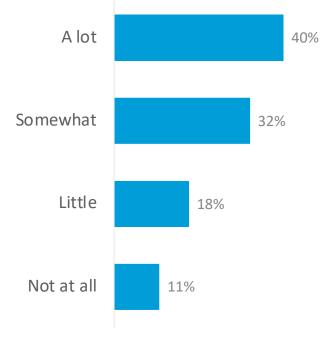


#### BOTH BIDEN AND PUTIN GET BLAME FOR RISING OIL AND GAS PRICES

# To what extent do you blame the policies of the Biden administration for the rising oil and gas prices in the United States?

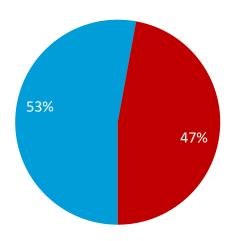


# To what extent do you blame Vladimir Putin's war in Ukraine for the rising oil and gas prices in the United States?



# ON THE NET, BIDEN'S POLICIES GET THE MOST BLAME FOR RISING OIL AND GAS PRICES

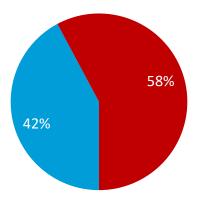
Who is to blame more for increasing oil and gas prices the policies of the Biden administration or Vladimir Putin's war in Ukraine?



- Policies of the Biden administration
- Vladimir Putin's war in Ukraine

### A MAJORITY BELIEVE TRADING AND WORKING WITH ROGUE AND ENEMY REGIMES ONLY HELPS THEM REPRESS THEIR PEOPLE FURTHER

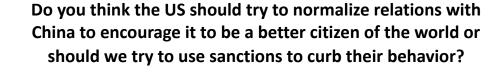
Do you think that trading and working with rogue and enemy regimes helps them to become more normal countries with improved human rights or does it just help them repress people further?

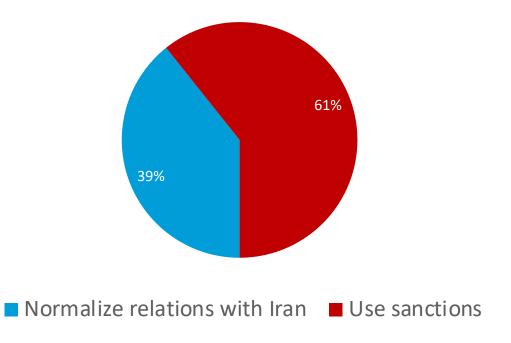


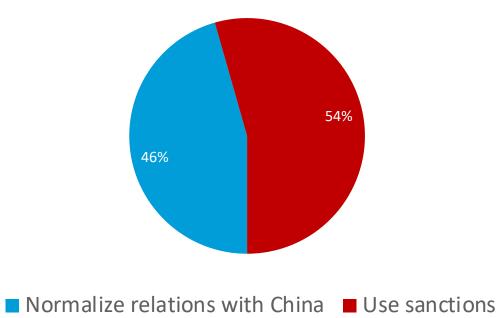
- Helps them to become more normal countries with improved human rights
- Help them repress people further

#### MOST OPPOSE NORMALIZING RELATIONS WITH IRAN AND CHINA

Do you think the US should try to normalize relations with Iran to encourage it to be a better citizen of the world or should we try to use sanctions to curb their behavior?

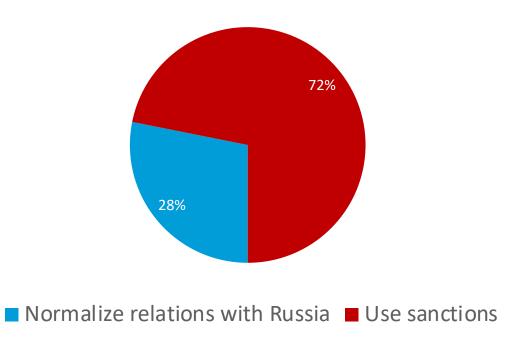






### MOST VOTERS DO NOT WANT TO NORMALIZE RELATIONS WITH RUSSIA

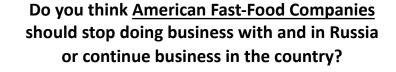
Do you think the US should try to normalize relations with Russia to encourage it to be a better citizen of the world or should we try to use sanctions to curb their behavior?

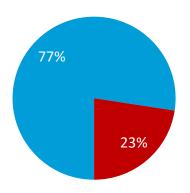


#### MOST VOTERS SAY AMERICAN COMPANIES SHOULD STOP DOING BUSINESS IN RUSSIA

Do you think <u>American Companies</u> should stop doing business with and in Russia or continue business in the country?

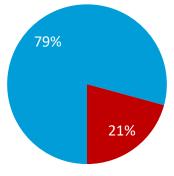






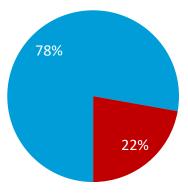


■ Continue doing business in Russia





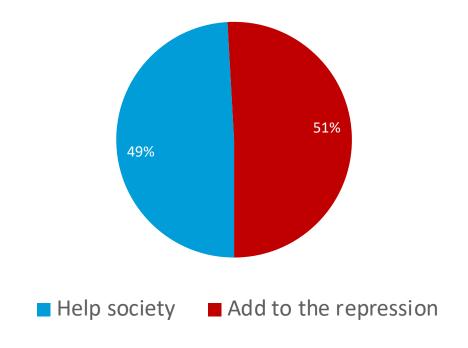
■ Continue doing business in Russia



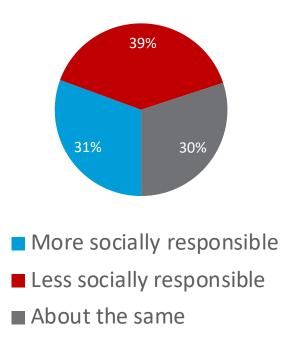
- Stop doing business in Russia
- Continue doing business in Russia

# VOTERS ARE TORN ABOUT THE NET EFFECTS OF TECH COMPANIES WORKING WITH REPRESSIVE REGIMES AND WHETHER OR NOT THESE COMPANIES HAVE BECOME MORE OR LESS SOCIALLY RESPONSIBLE IN RECENT YEARS

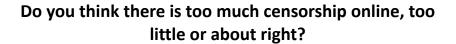
Do you think that American tech companies help society by working in repressive countries or only add to the repression by working in them?

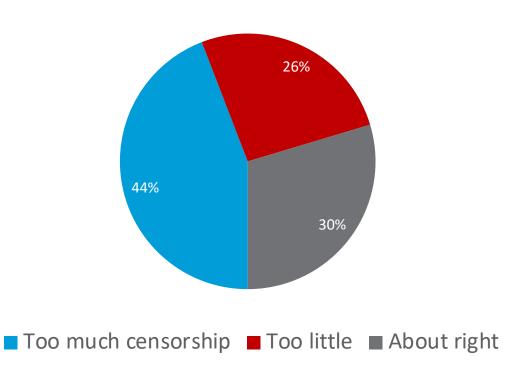


Do you think the tech companies have become in the last few years more socially responsible, less socially responsible or about the same?



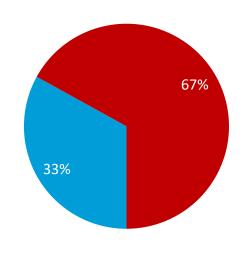
# VOTERS ARE MORE CONCERNED ABOUT MISINFORMATION THAN THEY ARE ABOUT CENSORSHIP; CLOSE TO HALF HOWEVER SAY THERE IS TOO MUCH CENSORSHIP





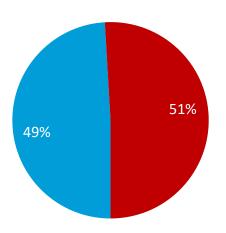
### VOTERS SAY THE NET EFFECT OF TECH COMPANIES IS TO DIVIDE SOCIETY; VOTERS ARE SPLIT ON THE VALIDITY OF TECH COMPANY CENSORSHIP

Do you think that the tech companies and social media are bringing our society together or are dividing us further?



- Bringing our society together
- Dividing us further

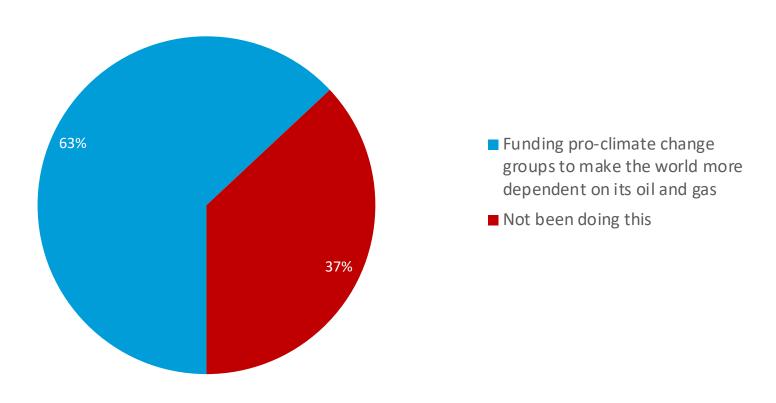
Do you think tech companies are primarily censoring information that deserves to be censored or are they primarily censoring online information they disagree with?



- Censoring information that deserves to be censored
- Censoring information they primarily disagree with

# VOTERS BELIEVE RUSSIA HAS BEEN FUNDING PRO-CLIMATE CHANGE GROUPS AND INFORMATION ONLINE TO MAKE THE WORLD MORE DEPENDENT ON ITS OIL

Do you think that Russia has been funding pro-climate change groups and information to make the world more dependent on its oil and gas or has Russia not been doing this?



#### SOME INFORMATION IS MORE DESERVING OF CENSORSHIP THAN OTHERS

For each one, indicate if you think they should be permitted to say that on the web or should be censored and removed.

