Global tax - US - Second

Start of Block: Welcome

Q1.1 Welcome to this survey!  
   
 This survey is **anonymous** and is conducted **for research**purposes.  
   
 It takes around **15 min**to complete.  
   
 Please answer every question carefully.

End of Block: Welcome

Start of Block: Socio-demographics

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Q2.1 What is your gender?

* Female (1)
* Male (2)
* Other (3)

Q2.2 How old are you?

* Below 18 (1)
* 18 to 20 (2)
* 21 to 24 (3)
* 25 to 29 (4)
* 30 to 34 (5)
* 35 to 39 (6)
* 40 to 44 (7)
* 45 to 49 (8)
* 50 to 54 (9)
* 55 to 59 (10)
* 60 to 64 (11)
* 65 to 69 (12)
* 70 to 74 (13)
* 75 to 79 (14)
* 80 to 84 (15)
* 85 to 89 (16)
* 90 to 99 (17)
* 100 or above (18)

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Q2.4 What is your ZIPcode?

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Q228 Do you live with your partner (if you have one)?

* Yes (1)
* No (2)

Q258 How many children below 18 live with you?

* 0 (1)
* 1 (2)
* 2 (3)
* 3 (4)
* 4 or more (5)

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Q2.14 What was the annualincomeofyourhouseholdin 2019 (before withholding tax, for you and those who live with you)?

* less than $20,000 (5)
* between $20,001 and $35,000 (6)
* between $35,001 and $42,000 (11)
* between $42,001 and $50,000 (20)
* between $50,001 and $65,000 (12)
* between $65,001 and $82,000 (13)
* between $82,001 and $103,000 (14)
* between $103,001 and $130,000 (15)
* between $130,001 and $145,000 (21)
* between $145,001 and $165,000 (16)
* between $165,000 and $250,000 (8)
* more than $250,000 (9)

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Q2.8 What is the highestlevelofeducation you have completed?

* Eigth grade or less (1)
* Some high school (2)
* Regular high school diploma/GED or alternative credential (3)
* Some college, no degree (4)
* 2-year college degree or associates degree (for example: AA, AS) (5)
* Bachelor's degree (for example: BA, BS) (6)
* Master’s degree (for example: MA, MS, MEng, MEd, MSW, MBA) (7)
* Professional degree beyond bachelor’s degree (for example: MD, DDS, DVM, LLB, JD) (8)
* Doctorate degree (for example, PhD, EdD) (9)

Q2.9 What is your employment status?

* Full-time employed (2)
* Part-time employed (3)
* Self-employed (4)
* Student (6)
* Retired (7)
* Unemployed (searching for a job) (5)
* Inactive (not searching for a job) (8)

Q2.6 What race or ethnicity do you identify with? (Multiple answers are possible)

* White (1)
* Black or African American (2)
* Hispanic (8)
* Asian (4)
* American Indian or Alaskan Native (3)
* Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander (5)
* Other (6)
* Prefer not to say (7)

Q2.15 Are you a homeowner or a tenant? (Multiple answers are possible)

* Tenant (1)
* Owner (2)
* Landlord renting out property (3)
* Hosted free of charge (4)

Display This Question:

If Do you live with your partner (if you have one)? = Yes

Q2.16   
What is the estimated value of your household's assets (in U.S. dollars)  
  
  
? Include here all your possessions (home, car, savings, etc.) net of debt. For example, if you own a house worth $300,000 and you have $100,000 left to repay on your mortgage, your assets are $200,000.  
  
  
I estimate my household's assets net of debt to be:

* Less than $0 (I have a net debt) (1)
* Close to $0 (6)
* Between $4,000 and $120,000 (2)
* Between $120,000 and $380,000 (3)
* More than $380,000 (4)

Display This Question:

If Do you live with your partner (if you have one)? = No

Q39   
What is the estimated value of your assets (in U.S. dollars)?   
  
  
  
Include here all your possessions (home, car, savings, etc.) net of debt. For example, if you own a house worth $300,000 and you have $100,000 left to repay on your mortgage, your assets are $200,000.   
  
  
  
I estimate my assets net of debt to be:

* Less than $0 (I have a net debt) (1)
* Close to $0 (6)
* Between $4,000 and $60,000 (2)
* Between $60,000 and $190,000 (3)
* More than $190,000 (4)

End of Block: Socio-demographics

Start of Block: Global Climate Scheme (incl. perceptions)

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Q258   
Below we describe some policies, on which we will survey your attitudes.   
To check that you have attentively read the descriptions, **we will ask some understanding questions afterwards: those who get correct answers can win up to $200**.   
 **National redistribution scheme:**  
 This policy would increase taxes on the top 5% and provide cash transfers to all adults. More precisely, each American adult would receive $100 per month. This would be financed by an increase of the federal income tax on household income in excess of $315,000 per year, leaving taxes unchanged for income below $315,000. See more details.  
   
 **Global Climate scheme:**   
 In 2015, all countries have agreed to contain global warming "well below +2 °C". To limit global warming to this level, **there is a maximum amount of greenhouse gases we can emit globally**.   
 To meet the climate target, a limited number of permits to emit greenhouse gases can be created globally. Polluting firms would be required to buy permits to cover their greenhouse gas emissions. Such a policy would **make fossil fuel companies pay** for their emissions and progressively raise the price of fossil fuels. **Higher prices would encourage people and companies to use less fossil fuels, reducing greenhouse gas emissions.**  
 In accordance with the principle that each human has an equal right to emit, the revenues generated by the sale of permits could finance a global basic income. **Each adult would receive $30/month**, thereby lifting out of extreme poverty the 700 million people who earn less than $2/day.   
 **The average American would lose out financially $100 per month** (as he or she would face $130 per month in price increases, which is higher than the $30 they would receive).  
 The policy could be put in place as soon as the four major powers agree on it (these are the U.S., China, the European Union, and India, which total 60% of global emissions). Countries that would refuse to take part in the policy could face sanctions (like tariffs) from the rest of the World and would be excluded from the basic income.  
   
 **Coal exit:**  
 To reduce CO2 emissions, this policy would require all U.S. coal power plants to be phased out by 2030. Coal would be replaced by renewable sources like wind and solar panels as well as stronger reliance on gas power plants.  
   
 **Marriage only for opposite-sex couples:**  
 This policy is a proposed amendment to the U.S. Constitution that would legally define marriage as a union of one man and one woman.   
    
  Now, we will ask you questions on some of the above policies, randomly chosen.

Q259 Who would win or lose financially in the Global climate scheme?   
 Five respondents with the correct answer will get $50.

* Typical Americans would win and poor Africans would win. (1)
* Typical Americans would win and poor Africans would lose. (2)
* Typical Americans would lose and poor Africans would win. (3)
* Typical Americans would lose and poor Africans would lose. (4)

Q261 Who would win or lose financially in the National redistribution?   
 Five respondents with the correct answer will get $50.

* Typical Americans would win and the richest Americans would win. (1)
* Typical Americans would win and the richest Americans would lose. (2)
* Typical Americans would lose and the richest Americans would win. (3)
* Typical Americans would lose and the richest Americans would lose. (4)

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Q273 When determining your support or opposition to the Global climate scheme, which points are important to you?

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|  | Not at all important (1) | Not so important (2) | Quite important (3) | Very important (4) |
| It would succeed in limiting climate change. (1) |  |  |  |  |
| It would hurt the U.S. economy. (2) |  |  |  |  |
| It would penalize my household. (3) |  |  |  |  |
| It would make people change their lifestyle. (4) |  |  |  |  |
| It would reduce poverty in low-income countries. (5) |  |  |  |  |
| It could foster global cooperation. (6) |  |  |  |  |
| It could fuel corruption in low-income countries. (7) |  |  |  |  |
| It could be subject to fraud. (8) |  |  |  |  |

Q272 When thinking about the Global climate scheme, what comes to your mind?  
 Please list pros and cons of the Global climate scheme.

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Q46   
For information, a recent survey has shown that: XX% of Americans support the Global climate scheme. XX% of Americans support the National redistribution scheme.

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Q262 Do you support the Global climate scheme?

* Yes (1)
* No (2)

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Q263 Do you support the National redistribution scheme?

* Yes (1)
* No (2)

End of Block: Global Climate Scheme (incl. perceptions)

Start of Block: Wealth tax (separate)

Q276 Do you support or oppose a tax on all millionaires around the world to finance low-income countries?  
 This would finance infrastructure and public services such as access to drinking water, healthcare, and education.

* Strongly oppose (1)
* Somewhat oppose (2)
* Neither support nor oppose (3)
* Somewhat support (4)
* Strongly support (5)

Q277 Do you support or oppose a tax on all millionaires in the U.S. to finance affordable housing and universal childcare/pre-K?

* Strongly oppose (1)
* Somewhat oppose (2)
* Neither support nor oppose (3)
* Somewhat support (4)
* Strongly support (5)

End of Block: Wealth tax (separate)

Start of Block: Wealth tax (pooled)

Q278 Imagine a wealth tax applying on households with net worth above $40 million, enacted in all countries around the world.  
 In the U.S., the tax revenues collected would be $400 billion per year (that is, 1.7% of U.S. GDP). Each country would retain part of the revenues it collects, and the remaining part would be pooled at the global level to finance infrastructure and public services in low-income countries.  
   
 What percentage should be pooled to finance low-income countries (instead of retained in the country's national budget)?

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| Percent of wealth tax that should go to low-income countries () |  |

Q279 Imagine a wealth tax applying on households with net worth above $40 million, enacted in all countries around the world. In the U.S., the tax revenues collected would be $400 billion per year (that is, 1.7% of U.S. GDP).  
   
 Which of the following options would you prefer?

* The whole wealth tax financing national budgets in each country. For example, in the U.S., it could finance affordable housing and universal childcare/pre-K. (1)
* Half of the wealth tax financing national budgets in each country, half of it financing low-income countries. For example, it could finance universal childcare/pre-K in the U.S. and access to drinking water, healthcare, and education in Africa. (4)

End of Block: Wealth tax (pooled)

Start of Block: Federal budget

Q50   
To the best of your guess, of $100 of U.S. federal spending, how much is allocated to foreign aid?   
  
  
  
For information, apart foreign aid, the different items in the U.S. federal budget are the following: defense, social security (retirement pensions), health (including Medicare and Medicaid), welfare benefits (including food stamps and EITC), homeland security (DHS), other programs and federal agencies (including in energy, science, education).

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| Percent of federal budget going to foreign aid () |  |

Q51   
If you could choose the federal spending, what percentage would you allocate to foreign aid?

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| Percent of federal budget that should go to foreign aid () |  |

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Q52   
Actually, 1% of the U.S. federal budget is allocated to foreign aid.  
   
 If you could choose the federal spending, what percentage would you allocate to foreign aid?

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|  | 0 | 10 | 20 | 30 | 40 | 50 | 60 | 70 | 80 | 90 | 100 |

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| Percent of federal budget that should go to foreign aid () |  |

Display This Question:

If Actually, 1% of the U.S. federal budget is allocated to foreign aid. If you could choose the fede... [ Percent of federal budget that should go to foreign aid ] > 1

Q53 Your previous answer shows that you would like to increase U.S. foreign aid.  
  
How would you like to finance such increase in foreign aid? (Multiple answers possible)

* Lower spending on defense (1)
* Lower spending on retirement pensions (2)
* Lower spending on healthcare (Medicare and Medicaid) (3)
* Lower spending on welfare benefits (like EITC or food stamps) (4)
* Lower spending on other programs and federal agencies (5)
* Higher taxes on the wealthiest (6)
* Higher corporate income tax rate (7)
* Higher personal income tax rates (8)
* Higher public deficit (9)

Display This Question:

If Actually, 1% of the U.S. federal budget is allocated to foreign aid. If you could choose the fede... [ Percent of federal budget that should go to foreign aid ] < 1

Q54 Your previous answer shows that you would like to reduce U.S. foreign aid.  
  
How would you like to use the freed budget? (Multiple answers possible)

* Higher spending on defense (1)
* Higher spending on retirement pensions (2)
* Higher spending on healthcare (Medicare and Medicaid) (3)
* Higher spending on welfare benefits (like EITC or food stamps) (4)
* Higher spending on other programs and federal agencies (5)
* Lower taxes on the wealthiest (6)
* Lower corporate income tax rate (7)
* Lower personal income tax rates (8)
* Lower public deficit (9)

End of Block: Federal budget

Start of Block: Other policies

Q42 The following policies are discussed at international negotiations on how to deal with climate change.   
  
Do you support or oppose the following policies?

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|  | Strongly oppose (1) | Somewhat oppose (2) | Indifferent or don't know (3) | Somewhat support (4) | Strongly support (5) |
| Payments from high-income countries to compensate low-income countries for climate damages (1) |  |  |  |  |  |
| High-income countries funding renewable energy in low-income countries (2) |  |  |  |  |  |
| High-income countries contributing $100 billion per year to help low-income countries adapt to climate change (3) |  |  |  |  |  |

Q47 Currently, the U.S. spend 1% of its federal budget (that is, 0.2% of the GDP) in foreign aid to reduce poverty in low-income countries.  
  
Do you support the U.S. transferring more money to low-income countries?

* Yes, U.S. foreign aid should be increased. (1)
* Yes, at the condition that the recipient countries comply with climate targets and human rights. (3)
* Yes, at the condition that other high-income countries also increase their foreign aid. (2)
* Yes, at the condition that this is financed by increased taxes on millionaires. (4)
* Yes, but only if several of the above conditions are met. (5)
* No, U.S. foreign aid should remain stable. (6)
* No, U.S. foreign aid should be reduced. (7)

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If Currently, the U.S. spend 1% of its federal budget (that is, 0.2% of the GDP) in foreign aid to r... = Yes, but only if several of the above conditions are met.

Q48 What conditions should be required for the U.S. to increase its foreign aid? (Multiple answers possible)

* That recipient countries comply with climate targets and human rights. (1)
* That other high-income countries also increase their foreign aid. (2)
* That this is financed by increased taxes on millionaires. (3)
* That we can be sure the aid reaches people in need and money is not diverted. (4)

Display This Question:

If Currently, the U.S. spend 1% of its federal budget (that is, 0.2% of the GDP) in foreign aid to r... = No, U.S. foreign aid should remain stable.

Or Currently, the U.S. spend 1% of its federal budget (that is, 0.2% of the GDP) in foreign aid to r... = No, U.S. foreign aid should be reduced.

Q49 Why do you oppose the U.S. increasing its foreign aid? (Multiple answers possible)

* Aid perpetuates poverty as it makes people feel less responsible for themselves. (1)
* Aid is not effective as a most of it is diverted. (2)
* Aid is a pressure tactic for high-income countries that prevents low-income countries from developing freely. (3)
* The U.S. is not responsible for what happens in other countries. (4)
* Charity begins at home: there is already a lot to do to support the American people in need. (5)

End of Block: Other policies

Start of Block: Values and politics

Q272 How much did you give to charities in 2022?

* I did not make donations to charities last year. (1)
* Less than $100. (2)
* Between $101 and $500. (3)
* Between $501 and $1,000. (4)
* Between $1,001 and $5,000. (5)
* More than $5,000. (6)

Q23.1 To what extent are you interested in politics?

* Not at all (0)
* A little (1)
* Moderately (2)
* A lot (3)
* A great deal (4)

Q23.4 Did you vote in the 2020 U.S. presidential election?

* Yes (1)
* No (2)
* I don't have the right to vote in the U.S. (4)
* Prefer not to say (3)

End of Block: Values and politics

Start of Block: Politics (more)

Display This Question:

If Did you vote in the 2020 U.S. presidential election? = Yes

Q24.1 Which candidate did you vote for in the 2020 U.S. presidential election?

* Biden (4)
* Trump (5)
* Jorgensen (6)
* Hawkins (12)
* Prefer not to say (13)

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If Did you vote in the 2020 U.S. presidential election? != Yes

Q24.2 Even if you did not vote in the 2020 U.S. presidential election, please indicate the candidate that you were most likely to have voted for or who represents your views more closely.

* Biden (1)
* Trump (2)
* Jorgensen (3)
* Hawkins (4)
* Prefer not to say (5)

Q24.6 What do you consider to be your political affiliation, as of today?

* Republican (1)
* Democrat (2)
* Independent (3)
* Other (4)
* Non-Affiliated (5)

Q273 To what extent do you think the following issues are a problem?

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|  | Not an important issue for me (1) | An issue but there are other priorities (2) | An issue but we do already what we can (3) | An important issue, we should do more (4) | One of the most pressing issue of our time (5) |
| Income inequality in the U.S. (1) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Climate change (2) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Global poverty (3) |  |  |  |  |  |

Q274 What groups do you defend when you vote? (Multiple answers possible)

* Sentient beings (humans and animals) (1)
* Humans (2)
* Americans (3)
* People sharing my culture or religion (4)
* My State (5)
* My town (6)
* My relatives and/or colleagues (7)
* My family and myself (8)

End of Block: Politics (more)

Start of Block: Feedback

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If feedback > 0

Q25.2 The survey is nearing completion. You can now enter any comments, thoughts or suggestions in the field below.

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If feedback = 0

Q41 According to you, what should high-income countries do to fight extreme poverty in low-income countries?

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Q25.1 Do you feel that this survey was politically biased?

* Yes, left-wing biased (1)
* Yes, right-wing biased (2)
* No, I do not feel it was biased (3)

Q51 Lastly, in case you are interested to be interviewed by a researcher (through videoconferencing) for 30 min, **you can leave your e-mail address**.  
 This is totally optional. You would receive no more than one e-mail from us.

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End of Block: Feedback