Overall Descriptive Findings:

Democrats and Republicans generally differ in several key areas such as race, age, gender, level of education, percentage of Hispanics, size of household, and whether they live in densely urbanized areas. However, their likelihood of being employed is similar, though the types of jobs they hold may vary. When members of one party, like Democrats or Republicans, live in districts primarily controlled by the opposite party, their characteristics tend to align more closely with those of the majority party in that area.

More detailed Findings:

Republicans versus Democrats

Democrats often live in slightly smaller households but the difference might not be significant. They are more likely to be Hispanic and less likely to be White. Independents might be less employed but this may not be significant. Democrats usually live in densely urban areas and are more educated, often having a college degree compared to independents and Republicans. Independents are the least likely to have a college degree. Republicans tend to be male and are older than both Democrats and independents.

Concerned versus not concerned about the spread

Surprisingly, younger people and males are more likely to say they are extremely concerned about the virus spread during the pandemic. People with college education tend to express concern as well. Those who are concerned often are non-white and specifically Hispanic. They come from larger households and are likely to live in densely urbanized areas.

Non-household contacts (above average versus below)

Surprisingly, younger people report ***more*** non-household contacts during the pandemic and people with fewer contacts are slightly more likely to be male and college-educated. Those with above average non-household contacts are often employed and more likely to be white and slightly less likely to be Hispanic. Interestingly, people with more non-household contacts also have larger household sizes. On the other hand, those reporting fewer non-household contacts tend to come from densely urbanized settings.

Masks usage (over half of the time versus less)

Age doesn't vary much between those who report different levels of mask usage during the pandemic. Those who wear masks more frequently are often male, likely to have a college education, and tend to be employed. They are less likely to be white and slightly less likely to be Hispanic. People who use masks more are usually from larger households and often live in densely urbanized counties.

Vaccination

People who are vaccinated tend to be older and more likely to be male. They are much more likely to have a college education and to be employed. Vaccinated individuals are often white with no significant difference among Hispanics. They come from smaller households and are more likely to live in densely urbanized counties.

Democrats in Republican Districts

Democrats in majority republican Congressional Districts are more like Republicans in a few ways. In comparison to democrats in democratic districts, they are older, whiter and less Hispanic, less likely to have a college education, and less likely to be in highly urbanized counties. However, they differ in that ***they're less likely to be employed***, have smaller household size. Compared to Republicans, Democrats are much less likely to live in an opposing party district (could just be a result of how sample was collected). Democrats in Republican districts are less likely to say they are “extremely liberal,” i.e. they are more moderate.

Republicans in Democratic Districts

Republicans in highly democratic districts are more like Democrats. In comparison to Republicans in Republican districts, they're younger, they're more likely to have a college education, they're less white, more Hispanic, and more likely to live in a dense urban area. However, they're also more likely to have a bigger household size, more likely to be employed, more likely to be male. Republicans in highly democratic districs are also less likely to be extreme conservatives. There's also a good number of republicans in both categories. Republicans in Democratic districts are less likely to say they are “extremely conservative,” i.e. they are more moderate.