
Start of Block: Consent

Q1 Welcome! The purpose of this research project is to explore the voting patterns of undergraduate students at the University of California Berkeley. This is a research project being conducted by Hannah Hill, a senior Peace and Conflict Studies major, at the University of California Berkeley. Your responses will contribute to the understanding of youth voter turnout and what factors influence youth to participate in voting.

The procedure involves filling out an online survey that will take approximately 10-13 minutes.

PARTICIPATION

If you decide to participate in this research survey, you have the right to withdraw at any time. You may choose not to participate. If you decide not to participate in this study or if you withdraw from participating at any time, you will not be penalized. While most of the questions are generally about voting and registration, there may be a few questions that might cause you discomfort.

CONFIDENTIALITY

The results of this study will be used for scholarly purposes only and may be shared with the University of California Berkeley representatives. Your responses will be kept confidential and no identifying information such as your name, email address or IP address will be collected. If you have any questions about the research study, please contact Dr. Crystal Chang at crystalchang@berkeley.edu.

ELECTRONIC CONSENT

Clicking on the "I consent" button below indicates that:

- You have read the above information.
- You voluntarily agree to participate.
- You are at least 18 years of age.
- You are an American citizen.
- You are currently a full-time UC Berkeley undergraduate student.

☐ I consent (1)

☐ I do not consent (2)

End of Block: Consent

Start of Block: Demographics and 2016 Statistics

Q2

Thank you for choosing to participate in this study. Upon completion of this survey, you have the opportunity to enter the drawing for one of four \$25 Visa gift cards. If you do not answer some questions, you are **still eligible** to enter in the drawing.

In this section, you will be asked questions about demographics and if you are at least 20 years old, you will be asked about the 2016 presidential elections as well.

Q3 Which college(s) are you enrolled in?

- ☐ College of Chemistry (1)
 - ☐ College of Engineering (2)
 - ☐ College of Environmental Design (3)
 - ☐ College of Letters and Science (includes undeclared students) (4)
 - ☐ College of Natural Resources (5)
 - ☐ Haas School of Business (6)
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Q4 Are you a transfer student?

- ☐ Yes (1)
 - ☐ No (2)
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Q5 Please select the group(s) that best apply to your major(s).

- ☐ Arts & Humanities (1)
 - ☐ Business (2)
 - ☐ Engineering/Computer Science (3)
 - ☐ Life Sciences (5)
 - ☐ Physical Sciences/Mathematics (6)
 - ☐ Social Sciences (7)
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Q6 Are you a California resident?

- ☐ Yes (1)
 - ☐ No (2)
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Q7 Which gender do you best identify with?

- ☐ Woman (1)
 - ☐ Man (2)
 - ☐ Transgender (7)
 - ☐ Gender queer (3)
 - ☐ Gender non-binary (6)
 - ☐ Decline to state (5)
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Q8 Check the box(es) of the race/ethnicity that you best identify with.

☐ African American/Black (1)

☐ Mexican American/Chicanx (2)

☐ Other Hispanic/Latinx (3)

☐ Native American/Alaska Native (4)

☐ Pacific Islander (5)

☐ Asian (6)

☐ White (7)

☐ Other (9) _____

☐ Decline to state (8)

Q9 What is your age?

- ☐ 18 (1)
- ☐ 19 (2)
- ☐ 20 (3)
- ☐ 21 (4)
- ☐ 22 (5)
- ☐ 23 (6)
- ☐ 24 (7)
- ☐ 25+ (8)

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Q10 Did you attend any rallies for any presidential candidates for the 2016 presidential elections?

- ☐ Yes (1)
 - ☐ No (2)
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Q11 How did you register to vote in 2016?

- ☐ Automatic voter registration via the California Department of Motor Vehicles. (1)
- ☐ In person (2)
- ☐ Online (3)
- ☐ Other (4) _____
- ☐ I did not register to vote in 2016. (5)

Skip To: Q13 If How did you register to vote in 2016? = Automatic voter registration via the California Department of Motor Vehicles.

Skip To: Q13 If How did you register to vote in 2016? = In person

Skip To: Q13 If How did you register to vote in 2016? = Online

Skip To: Q13 If How did you register to vote in 2016?(Other) Is Not Empty

Q12 Why did you not register for the 2016 presidential elections?

- ☐ I didn't know or understand the process. (1)
- ☐ I was out of town. (2)
- ☐ I missed the registration deadline. (3)
- ☐ I didn't feel inclined to vote. (4)
- ☐ I didn't agree with either candidate. (8)
- ☐ Other (7) _____

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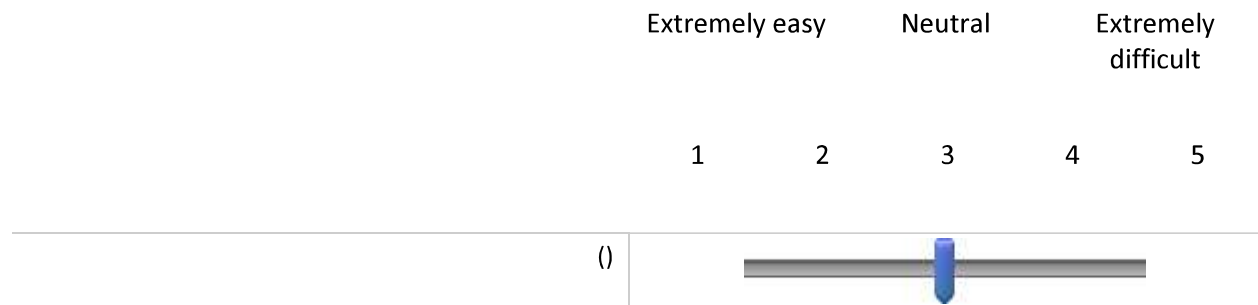
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Q13 Where did you register to vote in the 2016 presidential elections?

- ☐ Alameda County (1)
- ☐ Another California county (2)
- ☐ Out-of-state (7)

Q14 How would you describe the registration process for the county that you registered to vote in for the 2016 presidential elections?



Q15 Did you vote in the 2016 presidential elections?

- ☐ Yes (1)
- ☐ No (2)

Skip To: Q16 If Did you vote in the 2016 presidential elections? = Yes

Q56 Why did you not vote in the 2016 presidential elections?

- ☐ I do not think my vote matters (4)
 - ☐ I was too busy (5)
 - ☐ I was out of town (6)
 - ☐ I didn't agree with either candidate (7)
 - ☐ Other (8) _____
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Q16 Which of the following describes how you voted in the 2016 presidential elections?

- ☐ Polling station (1)
 - ☐ Absentee / mail ballot (2)
 - ☐ Provisional ballot (3)
 - ☐ I do not remember (5)
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Q17 Which presidential candidate did you vote for?

- ☐ Clinton (1)
 - ☐ Trump (2)
 - ☐ 3rd party (3)
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Q18 If you had class during the presidential elections on Tuesday November 8th, 2016, did your professor(s) cancel or shorten class to allow students time to vote?

- ☐ Yes (1)
 - ☐ No (2)
 - ☐ I did not have class that day (3)
 - ☐ I do not remember (4)
 - ☐ I was studying abroad (5)
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Q19 If you held a job on Tuesday November 8th, 2016, did your supervisor allow you time off to vote?

- ☐ Yes (1)
 - ☐ No (2)
 - ☐ I do not remember. (3)
 - ☐ Not applicable (4)
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Q20 How did the results of the 2016 presidential election make you feel? Check all that apply.

☐ Happy (1)

☐ Sad (2)

☐ Proud (3)

☐ Scared (4)

☐ Excited (5)

☐ Angry (6)

☐ Hopeful (8)

☐ Other (7) _____

Q21 Have those emotions influenced you to vote in the 2018 midterms?

☐ Yes (1)

☐ Maybe (2)

☐ No (3)

End of Block: Demographics and 2016 Statistics

Start of Block: 2018 Statistics

Q22 In this section, you will be asked about your daily life, registration, and voting in the midterm elections of November 2018.

Q23 What do you think is the most effective way to make a difference in your community?

- ☐ Volunteering (1)
 - ☐ Community engagement (2)
 - ☐ Voting (3)
 - ☐ Donating money (4)
 - ☐ Other (5) _____
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Q24 How often do you volunteer?

- ☐ I don't volunteer (1)
 - ☐ 1-3 hours per week (2)
 - ☐ 4-7 hours per week (3)
 - ☐ 8+ hours per week (4)
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Q25 What do you think is the most effective way to make a difference in the country?

- ☐ Voting (1)
- ☐ Volunteering (4)
- ☐ Donating money (5)
- ☐ Public service (6)
- ☐ Other: (7) _____

Q26 Please choose the answer that best applies to you.

	Never (1)	Occasionally (2)	Moderately (3)	Frequently (4)	Constantly (5)
How often do you feel affected by legislation? (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How often do you and/or your family use social welfare programs or benefits? (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Q27 If you registered or re-registered to vote for the 2018 midterm elections, how did you register to vote?

- ☐ CalPIRG (1)
- ☐ bCourses/CalCentral (2)
- ☐ In person (7)
- ☐ Automatic registration via the California Department of Motor Vehicles (3)
- ☐ Online (8)
- ☐ I was already registered and did not re-register. (4)
- ☐ Other: (9) _____
- ☐ I did not register to vote. (5)

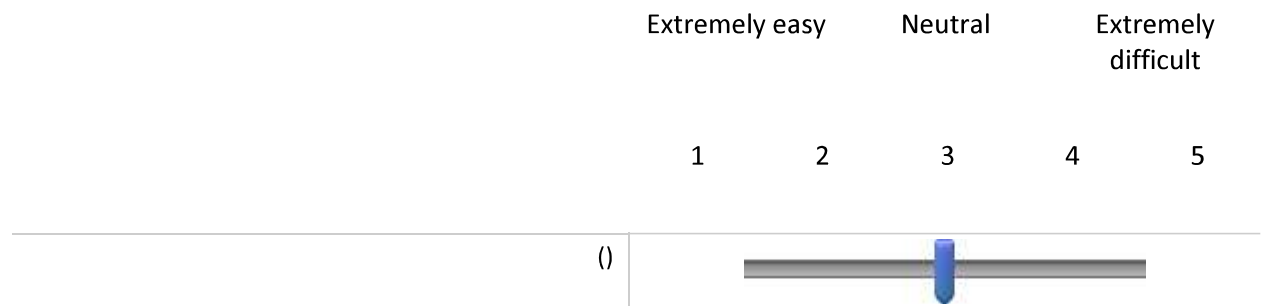
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Skip To: Q30 If If you registered or re-registered to vote for the 2018 midterm elections, how did you register t... = I was already registered and did not re-register.

Q28 Where did you register to vote in for the 2018 Midterm Elections?

- ☐ Alameda County (1)
- ☐ Other California county (2)
- ☐ Out-of-state (3)

Q29 If you registered for the **first time** in 2018 or **re-registered to vote**, how would you describe the registration process?



Q30 Did you vote in the 2018 midterm elections?

- ☐ Yes (1)
- ☐ No (2)

Skip To: Q34 If Did you vote in the 2018 midterm elections? = No

Q31 Did you check to see if your vote was officially counted?

- ☐ Yes; it was counted (1)
 - ☐ Yes; it was **not** counted (2)
 - ☐ No; I did not check (3)
 - ☐ No; I do not know how (4)
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Q32 Which method of voting did you use and **why**?

- ☐ Polling station (1) _____
 - ☐ Absentee / mail ballot (2) _____
 - ☐ Provisional ballot (3) _____
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Q33 Was there a recent significant event that encouraged you to vote in 2018? **If so, what was it?**

- ☐ Yes: (1) _____
 - ☐ No (2)
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Q55 Which candidates did you vote for in the 2018 midterm elections?

- ☐ Only Democrats (1)
 - ☐ Mostly Democrats (2)
 - ☐ Only Republicans (3)
 - ☐ Mostly Republicans (4)
 - ☐ A mix of candidates (5)
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Q34 What would influence you to vote more? Rank the following 1-4 with **1 being most influential**. You do not have to rank answers if they are not influential to you at all.

- _____ Dismissal of the 2 party system (1)
 - _____ Removal of "smear" campaigns that seek to discredit candidates (2)
 - _____ Easier access of information on candidates and measures (3)
 - _____ Establishment of a holiday for Election Day (7)
 - _____ Other (6)
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Q35 Did your major's department reach out to you about voting in the 2018 midterm elections?

- ☐ Yes (1)
 - ☐ No (2)
 - ☐ I do not remember (3)
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Q36 If you had class during the midterm elections on November 6th, 2018, did your professor(s) **cancel** or **shorten** the class to give students time to vote?

- ☐ Yes (1)
 - ☐ No (2)
 - ☐ I do not remember (3)
 - ☐ I did not have class that day (4)
 - ☐ I am currently studying abroad (5)
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Q37 If you had work during the midterm elections on November 6th, 2018, did your supervisor give you time off to vote?

- ☐ Yes (1)
- ☐ No (2)
- ☐ I do not remember (3)
- ☐ I did not have work that day (4)
- ☐ I do not have a job (5)

End of Block: 2018 Statistics

Start of Block: Perception of voting, representation, campus, and current events

Q38 In this last section, you will be asked questions about where you get your news, what issues matter to you, and your feelings about the government and its current voting system.

You are almost done!

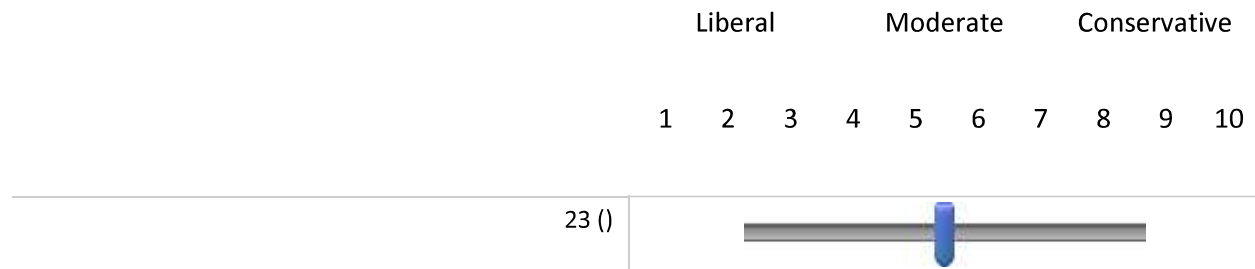
Q39 Please select the answer that best fits your response to the following statements.

	Strongly disagree (1)	Somewhat disagree (2)	Neutral (3)	Somewhat agree (4)	Strongly agree (5)
I am politically active. (9)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I believe that voting is a civic duty. (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I believe that my vote will make a difference. (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I trust in the American government. (6)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I trust in the American voting system. (7)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Q40 Please select the answer that best fits your response to the following statements.

	Strongly disagree (1)	Somewhat disagree (2)	Neutral (3)	Somewhat agree (4)	Strongly agree (5)
I think that UC Berkeley advocates for voter turnout of Cal students. (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel that I am able to present my political views freely on campus. (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I think that all political discussions are encouraged on campus. (3)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Q41 Drag the cursor to the place on the political scale that you mostly align your political ideologies with.



Q42 Please select the option that best applies to you.

	Never (1)	Once or twice a year (2)	Once or twice a month (3)	Once a week (4)	Every couple of days (5)	Every day (6)
How often do you discuss politics? (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How often do you discuss current events? (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How often do you read the daily newspapers at Moffitt/Free Speech Cafe? (3)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Q43 The following is a list of political issues within the United States. Please select the answers that best apply to your views.

	Not important (1)	Slightly important (2)	Moderately important (3)	Important (4)	Very important (5)
Climate change/Environment (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Women's rights/Abortion (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sexual assault (3)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Immigration (4)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Economics/Trade (5)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Health care (10)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Gun control (6)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Mass incarceration (7)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Treatment of racial/ethnic minorities (12)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Treatment of LGBTQ (13)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other: (8)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Q44 Rank the following with 1 being the most used on where you get your news by clicking and dragging the options. Please rank your **top 5 choices**.

My Top 5 News Sources

_____ Facebook (1)

_____ Twitter (15)

_____ New York Times (4)

_____ CNN (5)

_____ Fox News (6)

_____ Washington Post (9)

_____ CBS (10)

_____ MSNBC (11)

_____ VICE (12)

_____ NPR (13)

_____ Time (14)

_____ Breitbart (16)

_____ Other (8)

Q45 Do you support the current president? Why or why not?

☐ Yes because: (1) _____

☐ Sometimes because: (2) _____

☐ No because: (3) _____

☐ No opinion (4)

Q46 Do you support the current administration's policies and reforms? Why or why not?

- ☐ Yes because: (1) _____
- ☐ Sometimes because: (2) _____
- ☐ No because: (3) _____
- ☐ No opinion (4)

Q47 Select the answers that best fit your level of knowledge in the 2018 midterm elections.

	Not knowledgeabl e at all (1)	Slightly knowledgeabl e (2)	Moderately knowledgeabl e (3)	Very knowledgeabl e (6)	Extremely knowledgeabl e (7)
Candidates' positions (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Measures/Proposition s (6)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Q48 Select the answers that best fit your perspective on voting.

	Strongly disagree (7)	Somewhat disagree (8)	Neither agree nor disagree (9)	Somewhat agree (10)	Strongly agree (11)
Voting is important (7)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Voting is convenient (8)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Voting is straightforward (9)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Voting is exciting (10)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Q49 Do you think voting in a presidential election is more important, less important, or equally as important as voting in a midterm election?

- ☐ Presidential elections are more important (1)
- ☐ Presidential elections are less important (2)
- ☐ Presidential elections and midterm elections are equally as important (3)

Q50 Have you taken part in a protest, march, or demonstration on a national or local level the past 24 months? If yes, what was the nature of the protest? If no, why not?

- ☐ Yes: (1) _____
- ☐ No: (2) _____

Q51 Do you think that the Berkeley campus should make Election Day an administrative/instructional holiday?

- ☐ Definitely yes (1)
 - ☐ Probably yes (2)
 - ☐ No opinion (3)
 - ☐ Probably not (4)
 - ☐ Definitely not (5)
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Q52 Is there anything else that you would like to add?

- ☐ Yes (1) _____
- ☐ No (3)

End of Block: Perception of voting, representation, campus, and current events
