

2020 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL
WAVE 65 April 2020
APRIL 7-12, 2020
N=4,917

ASK ALL:

SATIS All in all, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way things are going in this country today?

| | <u>Satisfied</u> | <u>Dissatisfied</u> | <u>No answer</u> |
|----------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| Apr 7-12, 2020 | 31 | 68 | 1 |
| Mar 19-24, 2020 | 33 | 66 | 1 |
| Oct 29-Nov 11, 2019 | 31 | 69 | 1 |
| Oct 1-13, 2019 | 28 | 71 | 1 |
| July 22-Aug 4, 2019 | 27 | 72 | 1 |
| Nov 27-Dec 10, 2018 | 34 | 65 | 1 |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 ¹ | 36 | 63 | 1 |
| Feb 28-Mar 12, 2017 ² | 32 | 68 | 0 |
| Sep 27-Oct 10, 2016 | 23 | 75 | 2 |
| Jun 7-Jul 5, 2016 ³ | 19 | 80 | 1 |
| Sep 15-Oct 3, 2014 | 25 | 75 | 0 |

ASK ALL:

POL1DT Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as president?

| | <u>Approve</u> | <u>Disapprove</u> | <u>No answer</u> |
|----------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Apr 7-12, 2020 | 44 | 53 | 3 |
| Mar 19-24, 2020 | 45 | 52 | 2 |
| Jan 6-19, 2020 | 40 | 58 | 1 |
| Sep 3-15, 2019 | 40 | 59 | 1 |
| July 22-Aug 4, 2019 | 40 | 59 | 1 |
| Apr 29-May 13, 2019 | 40 | 59 | 1 |
| Feb 4-17, 2019 | 38 | 61 | 1 |
| Nov 7-13, 2018 | 41 | 58 | 1 |
| Sep 24-Oct 7, 2018 | 38 | 61 | 2 |
| Jul 30-Aug 12, 2018 | 40 | 59 | 2 |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 38 | 60 | 2 |
| Aug 8-21, 2017 | 36 | 63 | 1 |
| Apr 4-18, 2017 | 39 | 61 | 1 |
| Feb 28-Mar 12, 2017 ⁴ | 44 | 56 | 1 |

¹ In W31 and previous surveys, question was called SATISF.

² The W24.5 Mode Study survey was administered by web and phone. Results reported here are from web mode only.

³ SATISF in the W18 survey was asked to a random half of the sample assigned to Form 2 [N=2,366].

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ASK ALL:

POL1DT Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as president?

ASK IF ANSWERED POL1DT (POL1DT=1,2) [N=4,804]:

POL1DTSTR Do you [IF POL1DT=1: approve; IF POL1DT=2: disapprove] of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as president...

BASED ON TOTAL:

| | NET Approve | <i>Very strongly</i> | <i>Not so strongly</i> | <i>No answer</i> | NET Disapprove | <i>Very strongly</i> | <i>Not so strongly</i> | <i>No answer</i> | <i>No answer</i> |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Apr 7-12, 2020 | 44 | 33 | 10 | 1 | 53 | 42 | 11 | * | 3 |
| Mar 19-24, 2020 | 45 | 34 | 10 | 1 | 52 | 40 | 11 | * | 2 |
| Jan 6-19, 2020 | 40 | 31 | 9 | * | 58 | 46 | 11 | 1 | 1 |
| Sep 3-15, 2019 | 40 | 31 | 9 | * | 58 | 46 | 11 | 1 | 1 |
| Apr 29-May 13, 2019 | 40 | 29 | 10 | * | 59 | 48 | 10 | * | 1 |
| Jul 30-Aug 12, 2018 | 40 | 31 | 9 | * | 59 | 48 | 10 | * | 2 |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 38 | 29 | 9 | * | 60 | 48 | 12 | * | 2 |
| Aug 8-21, 2017 | 36 | 26 | 10 | * | 63 | 49 | 13 | * | 1 |
| Apr 4-18, 2017 | 39 | 27 | 12 | * | 61 | 45 | 15 | * | 1 |
| Feb 28-Mar 12, 2017 ⁵ | 44 | 30 | 13 | * | 56 | 43 | 12 | * | 1 |

RANDOMIZE ORDER OF PELOSIAPP AND MCCONNELLAPP; SHOW ON SAME SCREEN**ASK ALL:**

PELOSIAPP Do you approve or disapprove of the way Nancy Pelosi is handling her job as Speaker of the House?

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36

Approve

61

Disapprove

3

No answer

ASK ALL:

MCCONNELLAPP Do you approve or disapprove of the way Mitch McConnell is handling his job as Senate Majority leader?

Apr 7-12

2020

36

Approve

59

Disapprove

5

No answer

ASK ALL:

DIVISIONSRD Do you think divisions between Republicans and Democrats in this country today are...

Apr 7-12

2020

65

Increasing

7

Decreasing

28

Staying about the same

*

No answer

Sep 3-15

2019

78

6

16

*

⁵

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ASK ALL:

GOVFEEL Some people say they are basically content with the federal government, others say they are frustrated, and others say they are angry. Which of these best describes how you feel?

| Apr 7-12 2020 | | Feb 28-Mar 12 2017 ⁶ |
|------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|
| 22 | Basically content | 20 |
| 55 | Frustrated | 57 |
| 23 | Angry | 22 |
| 1 | No answer | * |

PHONE TREND FOR COMPARISON:

| | Basically content | Frustrated | Angry | (VOL.) DK/Ref |
|---------------------|----------------------|------------|-------|------------------|
| Mar 20-25, 2019 | 18 | 57 | 21 | 4 |
| Nov 29-Dec 4, 2017 | 17 | 55 | 24 | 5 |
| Apr 5-11, 2017 | 19 | 55 | 22 | 3 |
| Mar 17-26, 2016 | 20 | 57 | 21 | 2 |
| Aug 27-Oct 4, 2015 | 18 | 57 | 22 | 3 |
| Feb 12-26, 2014 | 17 | 62 | 19 | 2 |
| Oct 9-13, 2013 | 12 | 55 | 30 | 3 |
| Sep 25-29, 2013 | 17 | 51 | 26 | 5 |
| Jan 9-13, 2013 | 20 | 58 | 19 | 3 |
| Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011 | 17 | 58 | 21 | 3 |
| Aug 17-21, 2011 | 11 | 60 | 26 | 3 |
| Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011 | 22 | 59 | 14 | 5 |
| Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010 | 21 | 52 | 23 | 4 |
| Apr 1-5, 2010 | 23 | 52 | 21 | 4 |
| Mar 11-21, 2010 | 19 | 56 | 21 | 5 |
| Early January, 2007 | 21 | 58 | 16 | 5 |
| Early October, 2006 | 21 | 54 | 20 | 5 |
| March, 2004 | 32 | 52 | 13 | 3 |
| Mid November, 2001 | 53 | 34 | 8 | 5 |
| June, 2000 | 28 | 53 | 13 | 6 |
| February, 2000 | 33 | 54 | 10 | 3 |
| October, 1997 | 29 | 56 | 12 | 3 |

⁶ The W24.5 Mode Study survey was administered by web and phone. Results reported here are from web mode only.

ASK ALL:

TRUSTFEDGOV How much of the time do you think you can trust the federal government to do what is right?

| Apr 7-12 2020 | | Apr 4- Apr 18 2017 | Nov 17- Dec 15 2014 ⁷ |
|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|--|
| 2 | Just about always | 3 | 3 |
| 24 | Most of the time | 25 | 21 |
| 60 | Only some of the time | 61 | 56 |
| 12 | Never | 10 | 19 |
| 1 | No Answer | 1 | 2 |

PHONE TREND FOR COMPARISON:

| | Just about always | Most of the time | Only some of the time | (VOL.) Never | (VOL.) DK/Ref |
|------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Mar 20-25, 2019 ⁸ | 3 | 14 | 71 | 10 | 2 |
| Nov 29-Dec 4, 2017 | 3 | 15 | 67 | 14 | 2 |
| Apr 5-11, 2017 | 4 | 16 | 68 | 11 | 2 |
| Aug 27- Oct 4, 2015 | 3 | 16 | 67 | 13 | 1 |
| Feb 12-26, 2014 | 3 | 21 | 68 | 7 | 1 |
| Oct 9-13, 2013 | 3 | 16 | 68 | 12 | 1 |
| Jan 9-13, 2013 | 3 | 23 | 67 | 6 | 2 |
| Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011 | 3 | 17 | 72 | 7 | 2 |
| Aug 17-21, 2011 | 3 | 16 | 72 | 8 | 1 |
| Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011 | 4 | 25 | 65 | 4 | 2 |
| Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010 | 3 | 21 | 65 | 10 | 1 |
| Apr 1-5, 2010 | 5 | 20 | 61 | 13 | 1 |
| Mar 11-21, 2010 | 3 | 19 | 65 | 11 | 2 |
| January, 2007 | 3 | 28 | 63 | 5 | 1 |
| February, 2006 | 4 | 30 | 59 | 6 | 1 |
| Mid-September, 2005 | 3 | 28 | 63 | 4 | 2 |
| Mid-March, 2004 | 4 | 32 | 59 | 4 | 1 |
| February, 2000 | 5 | 35 | 56 | 3 | 1 |
| May, 1999 | 3 | 28 | 62 | 5 | 2 |
| February, 1999 | 4 | 27 | 64 | 4 | 1 |
| November, 1998 ⁹ | 4 | 22 | 61 | 11 | 2 |
| February, 1998 | 5 | 29 | 61 | 4 | 1 |
| October, 1997 | 3 | 36 | 59 | 2 | * |

⁷ In the Wave 9 survey TRUSTFED was asked in a battery that also measured how often you can trust state government and local government to do what is right.

⁸ In phone surveys the question asked, "How much of the time do you think you can trust the government in Washington to do what is right? Just about always, most of the time, or only some of the time?"

⁹ The November, 1998 survey was conducted Oct. 26-Dec. 1, 1998. The question asked, "How much of the time do you trust the government in Washington to do the right thing? Just about always, most the time, or only some of the time?"

ASK ALL:**THERMO**

We'd like to get your feelings toward a number of people on a "feeling thermometer." A rating of zero degrees means you feel as cold and negative as possible. A rating of 100 degrees means you feel as warm and positive as possible. You would rate the person at 50 degrees if you don't feel particularly positive or negative toward them.

How do you feel toward **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]**? *[Enter the number in the box between 0 and 100 that reflects your feelings]*

| | Rating of 0 to 24 | Rating of 25 to 49 | Rating of 50 | Rating of 51 to 75 | Rating of 76 to 100 | No Answer | Mean rating |
|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| ASK ALL: | | | | | | | |
| a. Donald Trump | | | | | | | |
| Apr 7-12, 2020 | 45 | 7 | 7 | 10 | 30 | * | 42 |
| Oct 29-Nov 11, 2019 | 49 | 8 | 9 | 9 | 25 | 1 | 38 |
| Sep 3-15, 2019 | 49 | 7 | 8 | 10 | 26 | 1 | 38 |
| Feb 26-Mar 11, 2018 | 51 | 8 | 10 | 9 | 22 | 1 | 35 |
| Nov 29-Dec 12, 2016 | 37 | 11 | 14 | 12 | 24 | 2 | 43 |
| Sept 27-Oct 10, 2016 | 48 | 9 | 9 | 11 | 18 | 4 | 35 |
| Apr 5-May 2, 2016 | 53 | 8 | 9 | 11 | 17 | 3 | 32 |
| b. Mike Pence | | | | | | | |
| Apr 7-12, 2020 | 38 | 10 | 17 | 9 | 25 | 1 | 43 |
| Sep 3-15, 2019 | 41 | 9 | 22 | 8 | 19 | 1 | 39 |
| Feb 26-Mar 11, 2018 | 44 | 7 | 21 | 8 | 19 | 1 | 38 |
| c. Joe Biden | | | | | | | |
| Apr 7-12, 2020 | 37 | 14 | 16 | 15 | 17 | * | 40 |
| d. Bernie Sanders | | | | | | | |
| Apr 7-12, 2020 | 39 | 11 | 17 | 13 | 20 | 1 | 41 |
| Apr 5-May 2, 2016 | 30 | 8 | 17 | 17 | 24 | 3 | 48 |

ASK ALL:**PRZCMPGN**

How much thought, if any, have you given to candidates who are running for president in 2020?

| | <u>A lot</u> | <u>Some</u> | <u>Not much</u> | <u>None at all</u> | <u>No answer</u> |
|----------------------------------|--------------|-------------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Apr 7-12, 2020 | 42 | 33 | 18 | 7 | * |
| Jan 6-19, 2020 | 30 | 37 | 21 | 11 | * |
| Sept 3-15, 2019 | 30 | 37 | 22 | 11 | * |
| July 22-Aug 4, 2019 | 26 | 37 | 23 | 14 | * |
| 2016 election | | | | | |
| May 10-June 6, 2016 | 55 | 27 | 9 | 8 | 1 |
| Apr 5-May 2, 2016 | 52 | 31 | 11 | 5 | 1 |
| Mar 2-28, 2016 | 56 | 28 | 9 | 6 | 1 |
| Mar 10-Apr 6, 2015 ¹⁰ | 26 | 40 | 23 | 11 | * |

¹⁰

W10 (March 10 – April 6, 2014) had a minor difference in question wording: "How much thought, if any, have you given to candidates who may be running for president in 2016?"

ASK ALL:**MATTERS**

Thinking about how you feel about the 2020 presidential election, where would you place yourself on the following scale?

[PROGRAMMING NOTE: PLEASE FLIP THE LABELS FOR HALF OF RESPONDENTS LEAVING THE SCALE ALWAYS 1→4]

| | 1 Really matters who wins | 2 | 3 | 4 Doesn't really matter who wins | No answer |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----|----|--|--------------|
| Apr 7-12, 2020 | 64 | 17 | 9 | 8 | 1 |
| Sep 3-15, 2019 | 62 | 19 | 10 | 9 | * |
| 2016 election | | | | | |
| Oct 25-Nov 8, 2016 ¹¹ | 62 | 19 | 8 | 10 | * |
| Sep 27-Oct 10, 2016 | 64 | 18 | 8 | 10 | 1 |
| Aug 16-Sept 12, 2016 | 61 | 19 | 9 | 10 | 1 |
| June 7-July 5, 2016 | 62 | 20 | 9 | 9 | 0 |
| Apr 5-May, 2016 | 57 | 22 | 10 | 9 | 1 |
| Mar 2-Mar 28, 2016 | 65 | 18 | 8 | 9 | 1 |
| Nov 24-Dec 21, 2015 | 58 | 22 | 10 | 8 | 1 |

ASK IF U.S. CITIZEN (F_CITIZEN=1) [N=4,756]

VOTEGENA If the 2020 presidential election were being held today, would you vote for... **[RANDOMIZE OPTIONS 1 AND 2 WITH OPTION 3 ALWAYS LAST]**

ASK IF NONE/OTHER CANDIDATE OR SKIPPED VOTEGENA (VOTEGENA=3, 99) [N=576]:

VOTEGENB As of TODAY, do you... **[SHOW OPTIONS IN SAME ORDER AS VOTEGENA]**

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=4,125]:

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| | |
|----|---|
| 45 | Donald Trump, the Republican/Lean more toward Trump |
| 47 | Joe Biden, the Democrat/Lean more toward Biden |
| 8 | Vote for neither/Other |
| * | No Answer |

¹¹ In 2015 and 2016, question read: "Thinking about how you feel about the 2016 presidential election and the next president, where would you place yourself on the following scale?"

¹² Only W65 respondents who completed the survey on or after April 8, the day Bernie Sanders suspended his campaign for the Democratic nomination, were asked VOTEGENA or VOTEGENB.

VOTEGENA/VOTEGENB TREND FOR COMPARISON:**TREND FOR COMPARISON:**

| Oct 25- Nov 8 <u>2016</u> | | Sept 27- Oct 10 <u>2016</u> | Aug 16- Sept 12 <u>2016</u> | July 12- Aug 8 <u>2016</u> ¹³ | June 7- July 5 <u>2016</u> |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| 42 | Donald Trump/Lean Trump | 39 | 38 | 46 | 45 |
| 46 | Hillary Clinton/Lean Clinton | 46 | 45 | 50 | 51 |
| 6 | Gary Johnson/Lean Johnson | 10 | 10 | n/a | n/a |
| 4 | Jill Stein/Lean Stein | 4 | 4 | n/a | n/a |
| 1 | None/Other | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3 |
| * | No Answer | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

ASK IF DEMOCRAT/LEAN DEMOCRAT OR NO LEAN (F_PARTYSUM_FINAL=2,9) [N=2,883]:

BIDEUNITE Do you think...

BASED ON DEMOCRATS AND DEMOCRATIC-LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=2,397]:

| Apr 7-12 <u>2020</u> ¹⁴ | |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| 63 | Democrats will solidly unite behind Joe Biden |
| 36 | Differences and disagreements will keep many Democrats from supporting Joe Biden |
| 1 | No answer |

ASK IF DEMOCRAT/LEAN DEMOCRAT OR NO LEAN (F_PARTYSUM_FINAL=2,9) [N=2,883]:

DISSCANDS Regardless of who you supported for the Democratic nomination, would you say the fact that the likely Democratic nominee is a white man in his 70s...

BASED ON DEMOCRATS AND DEMOCRATIC-LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=2,349]:

| Apr 8-12 <u>2020</u> ¹⁵ | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 41 | Bothers you |
| 59 | Doesn't bother you |
| * | No answer |

¹⁴ Survey conducted July 12 – August 8 and June 7– July 5 asked only about Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton. Later waves included Gary Johnson and Jill Stein.

¹⁴ For W65 respondents who completed the survey on April 7, before Bernie Sanders suspended his campaign, the question was worded, "If Joe Biden wins the Democratic nomination, do you think..."

¹⁵ For W65 respondents who completed the survey on April 7, before Bernie Sanders suspended his campaign, the question was worded, "Regardless of who you may currently support for the Democratic nomination, would you say the fact that both of the remaining candidates are white men in their 70s..."

ASK ALL:

VTPRIORITY

Please indicate whether you would favor or oppose the following ideas about election policy.

[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; REVERSE ORDER OF PUNCHES FOR RANDOM HALF-SAMPLE]

| | Strongly <u>favor</u> | Somewhat <u>favor</u> | Somewhat <u>oppose</u> | Strongly <u>oppose</u> | No <u>answer</u> |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=2,449]: | | | | | |
| a. Automatically registering all eligible citizens to vote | | | | | |
| Apr 7-12, 2020 | 42 | 27 | 15 | 15 | * |
| Sep 24-Oct 7, 2018 | 34 | 31 | 17 | 17 | 1 |
| b. Conducting all elections by mail | | | | | |
| Apr 7-12, 2020 | 22 | 30 | 20 | 28 | * |
| Sep 24-Oct 7, 2018 | 9 | 25 | 28 | 37 | 1 |
| ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N= 2,468]: | | | | | |
| c. Allowing any voter to vote by mail if they want to | | | | | |
| Apr 7-12, 2020 | 44 | 26 | 13 | 16 | 1 |
| d. Removing people from registration lists if they have not recently voted or confirmed their registration | | | | | |
| Apr 7-12, 2020 | 17 | 25 | 26 | 31 | 2 |
| Sep 24-Oct 7, 2018 | 15 | 22 | 27 | 35 | 1 |

ASK ALL:

ELECT_CONF

Thinking about the presidential election this November, how confident, if at all, are you that...

[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]

| | Very <u>confident</u> | Somewhat <u>confident</u> | Not too <u>confident</u> | Not at all <u>confident</u> | No <u>answer</u> |
|--|--------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| a. The election will be conducted fairly and accurately | | | | | |
| Apr 7-12, 2020 | 14 | 45 | 28 | 13 | 1 |
| b. All citizens who want to vote in the election will be able to | | | | | |
| Apr 7-12, 2020 | 25 | 39 | 24 | 12 | 1 |

ASK ALL:

CONCEDE

Thinking about the results of the presidential election this November, how important do you think it is for a losing candidate to publicly acknowledge the winner as the legitimate president of the country?

| Apr 7-12 <u>2020</u> | | Oct 25- Nov 8 <u>2016</u> | Sept 27- Oct 10 <u>2016</u> |
|-------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 54 | Very important | 46 | 50 |
| 25 | Somewhat important | 27 | 24 |
| 14 | Not too important | 15 | 13 |
| 6 | Not at all important | 10 | 12 |
| 1 | No Answer | 1 | 1 |

RANDOMIZE ECON1-ECON1B IN BLOCK (WITH ECON 1 ALWAYS FIRST) AND PERSFNC-PERSNFCB IN BLOCK (WITH PERSFNC ALWAYS FIRST)

ASK ALL:

ECON1 Thinking about the nation's economy...
How would you rate economic conditions in this country today?

| | <u>Excellent</u> | <u>Good</u> | <u>Only fair</u> | <u>Poor</u> | <u>No answer</u> |
|---------------------|------------------|-------------|------------------|-------------|------------------|
| Apr 7-12, 2020 | 4 | 19 | 38 | 38 | 1 |
| Jan 6-19, 2020 | 16 | 42 | 33 | 9 | * |
| Sep 16-29, 2019 | 10 | 46 | 35 | 8 | * |
| July 22-Aug 4, 2019 | 14 | 43 | 32 | 11 | * |
| Nov 7-16, 2018 | 13 | 46 | 31 | 9 | 1 |
| Sep 24-Oct 7, 2018 | 12 | 45 | 32 | 11 | * |
| Feb 28-Mar 12, 2017 | 2 | 37 | 43 | 17 | 0 |
| Oct 25-Nov 8, 2016 | 2 | 30 | 47 | 21 | * |
| Apr 29-May 27, 2014 | 1 | 18 | 50 | 30 | 1 |

ASK ALL:

ECON1B A year from now, do you expect that economic conditions in the country as a whole will be...

| | <u>Better</u> | <u>Worse</u> | <u>About the same as now</u> | <u>No answer</u> |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|--------------|------------------------------|------------------|
| Apr 7-12, 2020 | 55 | 22 | 22 | 1 |
| Jan 6-19, 2020 | 29 | 26 | 45 | 1 |
| Sep 16-29, 2019 | 20 | 32 | 48 | * |
| July 22-Aug 4, 2019 ¹⁶ | 28 | 28 | 44 | * |

RANDOMIZE ECON1-ECON1B IN BLOCK (WITH ECON 1 ALWAYS FIRST) AND PERSFNC-PERSNFCB IN BLOCK (WITH PERSFNC ALWAYS FIRST)

ASK ALL:

PERSFNC Thinking about your personal finances...
How would you rate your own personal financial situation? Would you say you are in...

| Apr 7-12 <u>2020</u> | | July 22- Aug 4 <u>2019</u> |
|-------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| 7 | Excellent shape | 10 |
| 40 | Good shape | 40 |
| 37 | Only fair shape | 34 |
| 16 | Poor shape | 15 |
| * | No answer | 1 |

ASK ALL:

PERSFNCB A year from now, do you expect that the financial situation of you and your family will be...

| Apr 7-12 <u>2020</u> | | July 22- Aug 4 <u>2019</u> |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|
| 42 | Better | 43 |
| 12 | Worse | 8 |
| 46 | About the same as now | 48 |
| * | No answer | 1 |

¹⁶ In the survey conducted from July 22- August 4, 2019, response options for this question were not randomized.

ASK ALL:

DTCOV_EGFP When it comes to dealing with the coronavirus outbreak, how would you rate the job Donald Trump is doing ... **[RANDOMIZE ORDER OF ITEMS]**

| | <u>Excellent</u> | <u>Good</u> | <u>Only fair</u> | <u>Poor</u> | <u>No answer</u> |
|--|------------------|-------------|------------------|-------------|------------------|
| a. Working with state governors Apr 7-12, 2020 | 20 | 25 | 23 | 31 | 1 |
| b. Addressing the economic needs of businesses facing financial difficulties Apr 7-12, 2020 | 21 | 30 | 29 | 20 | 1 |
| c. Addressing the economic needs of ordinary people who have lost their jobs or income Apr 7-12, 2020 | 20 | 26 | 24 | 30 | * |
| d. Responding to the needs of hospitals, doctors, and nurses Apr 7-12, 2020 | 21 | 23 | 20 | 35 | * |
| e. Providing the public with accurate information about the coronavirus Apr 7-12, 2020 | 21 | 21 | 17 | 41 | 1 |

ASK ALL:

COVID_TRUMPCRIT Do you think it is acceptable or not acceptable for elected officials to criticize the Trump administration's response to the coronavirus outbreak if they think his administration is not handling it well?

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| | |
|----|----------------|
| 66 | Acceptable |
| 33 | Not acceptable |
| 1 | No answer |

ASK FORM 1 [N=2,449]:

DTCOV_TONE In his public comments on the coronavirus outbreak, do you think Donald Trump is... **[RANDOMIZE ORDER OF OPTIONS 1 AND 2]**

Apr 7-12

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| | |
|----|--|
| 52 | Making the situation seem better than it really is |
| 8 | Making the situation seem worse than it really is |
| 39 | Presenting the situation about as it really is |
| 1 | No answer |

ASK FORM 2 [N=2,468]:

COVID_DTSPEED Thinking about when large numbers of coronavirus cases were first reported around the world, do you think Donald Trump... **[RANDOMIZE]**

Apr 7-12

2020

| | |
|----|--|
| 65 | Was too slow to take major steps to address the threat to the U.S. |
| 34 | Was quick to take major steps to address the threat to the U.S. |
| 1 | No answer |

ASK FORM 1 [N=2,449]:

COVID_LAST How long do you think the economic problems resulting from the coronavirus outbreak will last?

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| | |
|----|---|
| 9 | 1 to 3 months |
| 19 | 4 to 6 months |
| 32 | More than 6 months but less than a year |
| 39 | A year or more |
| 1 | No answer |

ASK FORM 2 [N=2,468]:

COVID_FUT Thinking about the problems the country is facing from the coronavirus outbreak, do you think...? **[RANDOMIZE]**

Apr 7-12

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| | |
|----|----------------------------|
| 26 | The worst is behind us |
| 73 | The worst is still to come |
| 1 | No answer |

ASK ALL:

COVID_ASSIST As you may know, in response to the coronavirus outbreak Congress passed a bill that Donald Trump signed into law providing \$2 trillion in economic aid to businesses, individuals and state and local governments.

All in all, do you think this was the right thing or the wrong thing for the federal government to do?

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| | |
|----|-------------|
| 88 | Right thing |
| 11 | Wrong thing |
| 1 | No answer |

ASK ALL:

COVID_2BILL Do you think it will be necessary for the president and Congress to pass another bill to provide more economic assistance?

Apr 7-12

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| | |
|----|--|
| 77 | Yes, another bill will be necessary |
| 20 | No, another bill will NOT be necessary |
| 2 | No answer |

ASK ALL:

E_COVID Which of the following best describes your current employment situation?

Apr 7-12

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| | |
|----|---|
| 42 | Employed full-time |
| 12 | Employed part-time |
| 45 | Not employed (including retired or in school) |
| 1 | No answer |

ASK ALL:

COVIDWORK For each of the following, indicate whether or not it is something that happened to YOU OR SOMEONE IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD because of the coronavirus outbreak. **[DISPLAY ITEMS IN ORDER]**

| | | Yes, has <u>happened</u> | No, has not <u>happened</u> | No <u>answer</u> |
|----|---|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| a. | Been laid off or lost a job | | | |
| | Apr 7-12, 2020 | 28 | 72 | * |
| | Mar 19-24, 2020 | 20 | 80 | 1 |
| b. | Had to take a cut in pay due to reduced hours or demand for your work | | | |
| | Apr 7-12, 2020 | 33 | 66 | 1 |
| | Mar 19-24, 2020 | 27 | 72 | 1 |

ASK ALL:

COVID_INDVD Just your impression, how would you describe the coronavirus outbreak's impact on your own personal financial situation? The outbreak has... **[RANDOMIZE 1 AND 2, 3 ALWAYS LAST]**

Apr 7-12

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| | |
|----|---|
| 10 | Hurt my finances MORE than those of most other people |
| 52 | Hurt my finances LESS than those of most other people |
| 37 | Impacted my finances about the same as it has most other people |
| * | No answer |

ASK ALL:

Next,

COVID_AIDGOV Thinking about some different groups and the federal government's aid package, how much do you think it will help each of the following groups? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

| | <u>A</u> <u>great deal</u> | <u>A fair</u> <u>amount</u> | <u>Not</u> <u>too much</u> | <u>Not</u> <u>at all</u> | <u>No</u> <u>answer</u> |
|--|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=2,449] | | | | | |
| a. Small businesses Apr 7-12, 2020 | 24 | 47 | 26 | 3 | * |
| b. Unemployed people Apr 7-12, 2020 | 30 | 38 | 28 | 4 | * |
| ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N= 2,468] | | | | | |
| c. Large businesses Apr 7-12, 2020 | 35 | 42 | 17 | 4 | 2 |
| d. Self-employed people Apr 7-12, 2020 | 16 | 32 | 40 | 10 | 1 |
| ASK ALL | | | | | |
| e. State and local governments Apr 7-12, 2020 | 17 | 50 | 27 | 4 | 1 |
| f. You and your household Apr 7-12, 2020 | 14 | 31 | 39 | 15 | * |

ASK ALL:

COVID_ECONOPEN

Thinking about the decisions by a number of state governments to impose significant restrictions on public activity because of the coronavirus outbreak, is your greater concern that state governments will... **[RANDOMIZE]**

Apr 7-12

2020

| | |
|----|--|
| 66 | Lift the restrictions too quickly |
| 32 | Not lift the restrictions quickly enough |
| 1 | No answer |

ASK ALL:

COVID_AIDPERS

If you receive a payment from the federal government as part of the coronavirus aid package, or if you have already received a payment, how are you most likely to use the majority of the money? [**DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS IN ORDER**]

Apr 7-12

2020

| | |
|----|---|
| 12 | Pay off debt |
| 46 | Pay bills or for something essential you or your family needs |
| 3 | Pay for something non-essential you or your family wants |
| 18 | Save it |
| 6 | Something else [SPECIFY] |
| 15 | Won't get a payment/Not eligible |
| 1 | No answer |

ASK ALL:

COVID_ELCT

How likely do you think it is that the coronavirus outbreak will significantly disrupt Americans' ability to vote in the 2020 presidential election in November? Do you think this is...

Apr 7-12

2020

| | |
|----|-------------------|
| 23 | Very likely |
| 44 | Somewhat likely |
| 26 | Not too likely |
| 7 | Not at all likely |
| * | No answer |

ASK ALL:

COVID_INFECT

How concerned, if at all, are you that... [**RANDOMIZE ITEMS**]

| | <u>Very concerned</u> | <u>Somewhat concerned</u> | <u>Not too concerned</u> | <u>Not at all concerned</u> | <u>No answer</u> |
|--|---------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| a. You might spread the coronavirus to other people without knowing that you have it | | | | | |
| Apr 7-12, 2020 | 33 | 34 | 22 | 11 | 1 |
| b. You will get the coronavirus and require hospitalization | | | | | |
| Apr 7-12, 2020 | 24 | 31 | 32 | 13 | * |

ASK ALL:

COVID_VENTILATOR

As you may know, as a result of the coronavirus outbreak, some hospitals may not have enough ventilators for all of the patients who need help breathing. If that happens, do you think the priority for critical care should be given to...

[RANDOMIZE]

Apr 7-12,
2020

45

Patients who doctors think are most likely to recover with treatment, which may mean more people survive but that some patients don't receive treatments because they are older or sicker

50

Patients who are most in need at the moment, which may mean fewer people overall survive, but doctors do not deny treatments based on age or health status

5

No answer

ASK ALL:

WORRY2

How often, if ever, do you worry about each of the following? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

| | | Every day | Almost every day | Sometimes | Rarely | Never | No answer |
|---|--|--------------|---------------------|-----------|--------|-------|--------------|
| a. | The amount of debt you have | | | | | | |
| | Apr 7-12, 2020 | 19 | 17 | 28 | 18 | 17 | * |
| | Sep 16-29, 2019 | 24 | 16 | 26 | 16 | 16 | 1 |
| ASK IF EMPLOYED (E_COVID=1,2) [N=2,734]: | | | | | | | |
| b. | Losing your job | | | | | | |
| | Apr 7-12, 2020 | 14 | 9 | 32 | 29 | 16 | * |
| | Sep 16-20, 2019 | 12 | 8 | 29 | 29 | 21 | 1 |
| ASK ALL: | | | | | | | |
| c. | Paying your bills | | | | | | |
| | Apr 7-12, 2020 | 21 | 16 | 29 | 21 | 12 | * |
| | Sep 16-20, 2019 | 25 | 16 | 28 | 18 | 12 | 1 |
| d. | The cost of health care for you and your family | | | | | | |
| | Apr 7-12, 2020 | 18 | 16 | 37 | 18 | 10 | * |
| | Sep 16-20, 2019 | 22 | 17 | 35 | 15 | 9 | 1 |
| e. | Being able to save enough for your retirement | | | | | | |
| | Apr 7-12, 2020 | 21 | 17 | 34 | 15 | 12 | 1 |
| | Sep 16-20, 2019 | 26 | 19 | 32 | 12 | 10 | 2 |
| ASK IF EMPLOYED (E_COVID=1,2) [N=2,734]: | | | | | | | |
| f. | Taking a cut in pay due to reduced hours or demand for your work | | | | | | |
| | Apr 7-12, 2020 | 15 | 14 | 27 | 25 | 18 | * |

ASK ALL:

BILLSTYPICAL Which best describes your ability to pay all of your bills in full IN A TYPICAL MONTH?

Apr 7-12,

2020

75

I can typically pay all of my bills in full

24

I cannot pay some bills or can only make a partial payment on some of them

*

No answer

ASK ALL:

BILLSNOW Which best describes your ability to pay all of your bills in full THIS MONTH?

Apr 7-12,

2020

68

I will be able to pay all of my bills in full

32

I cannot pay some bills or will only make a partial payment on some of them

1

No answer

ASK ALL:

EMERGFUND Do you have emergency or rainy day funds that would cover your expenses for 3 months in case of sickness, job loss, economic downturn, or other emergencies?

Apr 7-12,

2020

47

Yes

53

No

1

No answer

ASK IF DOES NOT HAVE EMERGENCY FUNDS (EMERGFUND=2) [N=2,038]:

EMERGCOVER If you were to lose your main source of income (for example, your job or government benefits), could you cover your expenses for 3 months by borrowing money, using savings, selling assets, or borrowing from friends or family?

Apr 7-12,

2020

28

Yes

71

No

1

No answer

ASK ALL:

COVIDSCHL1 Do you think K-12 schools have a responsibility to provide students with laptop or tablet computers in order to help them complete their schoolwork at home during the coronavirus outbreak?

Apr 7-12,

2020

37

Yes, schools have this responsibility to all students

43

Yes, schools have this responsibility, but only for students whose family cannot afford it

19

No, schools do not have this responsibility

1

No answer

ASK ALL:

PARENTK12 Are you a parent or guardian of any children who are now enrolled in elementary, middle or high school and who live in your household?

Apr 7-12,
2020

| | |
|----|-----------|
| 24 | Yes |
| 76 | No |
| * | No answer |

ASK IF PARENT/GUARDIAN OF K-12 STUDENT (PARENTK12=1) [N=1,139]:

COVIDSCHL2 Are your children's schools currently closed due to the coronavirus outbreak?

Apr 7-12,
2020

| | |
|----|---|
| 94 | Yes, school is closed |
| 2 | No, school is not closed but I expect that it will close |
| 1 | No, school is not closed and I do not expect that it will close |
| 3 | My children are homeschooled |
| * | No answer |

ASK IF CHILDREN'S SCHOOL IS CLOSED (COVIDSCHL2=1) [N=1,079]:

COVIDSCHL3 Overall, how satisfied are you, if at all, with the way your children's school has been handling instruction during the school closure?

Apr 7-12,
2020

| | |
|----|----------------------|
| 45 | Very satisfied |
| 38 | Somewhat satisfied |
| 13 | Not too satisfied |
| 4 | Not at all satisfied |
| * | No answer |

ASK IF CHILDREN'S SCHOOL IS CLOSED OR EXPECT THAT IT WILL CLOSE (COVIDSCHL2=1,2) [N=1,090]:

COVIDSCHL4 How concerned, if at all, are you about your children falling behind in school as a result of any disruptions caused by the coronavirus outbreak?

Apr 7-12,
2020

| | |
|----|----------------------|
| 29 | Very concerned |
| 35 | Somewhat concerned |
| 22 | Not too concerned |
| 11 | Not at all concerned |
| 2 | No answer |

ASK IF CHILDREN'S SCHOOL IS CLOSED (COVIDSCHL2=1) [N=1,079]:

COVIDSCHL5 How much online instruction, if any, have your children received from their school since it closed? (Online instruction can take many forms, including online assignments, meetings with teachers and instructional videos.)

Apr 7-12,
2020

| | |
|----|-------------|
| 43 | A lot |
| 35 | Some |
| 15 | Not much |
| 6 | None at all |
| 1 | No answer |

ASK IF CHILDREN'S SCHOOL IS CLOSED (COVIDSCHL2=1) [N=1,079]:

COVIDSCHL6 How much additional instruction or resources, if any, are you or another adult in your household providing to your children beyond what is being provided by the school?

Apr 7-12,
2020

| | |
|----|-------------|
| 25 | A lot |
| 44 | Some |
| 22 | Not much |
| 8 | None at all |
| 1 | No answer |

ASK IF CHILDREN'S SCHOOL IS CLOSED (COVIDSCHL2=1): [N=1,079]:

COVIDSCHL7 As your children do their schoolwork at home due to the coronavirus outbreak, how likely, if at all, is it that they will... **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

| | | <u>Very likely</u> | <u>Somewhat likely</u> | <u>Not too likely</u> | <u>Not at all likely</u> | <u>No answer</u> |
|----|---|------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------|
| a. | Have to use public Wi-Fi to finish their schoolwork because there is not a reliable internet connection at home Apr 7-12, 2020 | 11 | 11 | 16 | 61 | 1 |
| b. | Not be able to complete their schoolwork because they do not have access to a computer at home Apr 7-12, 2020 | 9 | 11 | 16 | 62 | 1 |
| c. | Have to do their schoolwork on a cellphone Apr 7-12, 2020 | 14 | 15 | 21 | 49 | 1 |

ASK ALL:

COVWEBSOC Overall, when you add up all the advantages and disadvantages of the internet, would you say the internet has mostly been a good thing or a bad thing for... **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

| | | <u>Good thing</u> | <u>Bad thing</u> | <u>No answer</u> |
|----|-----------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|
| a. | Society Apr 7-12, 2020 | 78 | 21 | 1 |
| b. | You, personally Apr 7-12, 2020 | 90 | 10 | 1 |

ASK ALL:

COVINTESS How important, if at all, has the internet been for YOU PERSONALLY during the coronavirus outbreak?

Apr 7-12,
2020

| | |
|----|------------------------------|
| 53 | Essential |
| 34 | Important, but not essential |
| 10 | Not too important |
| 3 | Not at all important |
| * | No answer |

ASK ALL:

BBHOME1 Do you subscribe to dial-up internet service at home or do you subscribe to a higher-speed broadband service such as DSL, cable, or fiber optic service?

Apr 7-12,
2020

| | |
|----|-------------------------------------|
| 4 | Dial-up access |
| 85 | Higher-speed broadband service |
| 10 | I do not have home internet service |
| 1 | No answer |

ASK ALL:

SMARTPHONE Do you have a smartphone?

Apr 7-12,
2020

| | |
|----|--------------------------------|
| 90 | Yes, I have a smartphone |
| 10 | No, I do not have a smartphone |
| * | No answer |

June 3-17,
2019

| |
|----|
| 89 |
| 11 |
| * |

ASK ALL:

COVDIGGOV Do you think the federal government has a responsibility to ensure that all Americans have each of the following during the coronavirus outbreak? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS a-b]**

| | Yes, the federal government has this responsibility | No, the federal government does not have this responsibility | No answer |
|---|---|--|-----------|
| a. High-speed internet connection at home Apr 7-12, 2020 | 37 | 62 | 1 |
| b. Cellphone services Apr 7-12, 2020 | 34 | 65 | 1 |

ASK ALL:

COVPAYTECH How much, if at all, do you worry about being able to pay for each of the following over the next few months? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

| | A lot | Some | Not too much | Not at all | No answer |
|--|-------|------|--------------|------------|-----------|
| ASK IF HAS HIGHER SPEED BROADBAND SERVICES (BBHOME1=2) [N=4,460]: | | | | | |
| a. High-speed internet connection at home Apr 7-12, 2020 | 9 | 19 | 28 | 44 | * |
| ASK IF HAS A SMARTPHONE (SMARTPHONE=1)[N=4,569]: | | | | | |
| b. Your cellphone bill Apr 7-12, 2020 | 11 | 18 | 27 | 43 | * |

ASK ALL:

COVTRACK1 If the government tracked people's location through their cellphone during the coronavirus outbreak, do you think this would...

Apr 7-12,
2020

| | |
|----|--|
| 16 | Help a lot in limiting the spread of the virus |
| 22 | Help a little in limiting the spread of the virus |
| 60 | Not make much of a difference in limiting the spread |
| 2 | No answer |

ASK ALL:

COVTRACK2 Do you think it is acceptable or unacceptable for the government to use people's cellphones to track the location of people... **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

| | <u>Very acceptable</u> | <u>Somewhat acceptable</u> | <u>Somewhat unacceptable</u> | <u>Very unacceptable</u> | <u>No answer</u> |
|---|------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------|
| a. Who have tested positive for the coronavirus in order to understand how the virus may be spreading Apr 7-12, 2020 | 24 | 28 | 15 | 33 | 1 |
| b. To ensure they are complying with experts' advice on limiting social contact during the coronavirus outbreak Apr 7-12, 2020 | 14 | 23 | 20 | 43 | 1 |
| c. Who may have had contact with someone who tested positive for the coronavirus Apr 7-12, 2020 | 19 | 26 | 18 | 37 | 1 |

ASK IF INTERNET USER (XTABLET=2) [N=4,819]:

COVTECHACT Have you done any of the following as a result of the coronavirus outbreak?
[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]

| | <u>Yes, I have done this</u> | <u>No, I have not done this</u> | <u>No answer</u> |
|--|------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------|
| a. Ordered groceries online or through an app from a local store using a service like Instacart or Peapod Apr 7-12, 2020 | 22 | 77 | * |
| b. Ordered food online or through an app from a local restaurant using a service like Uber Eats or Postmates Apr 7-12, 2020 | 34 | 66 | * |
| c. Participated in an online fitness class or did an online workout video at home Apr 7-12, 2020 | 19 | 81 | * |
| d. Had a virtual party or social gathering online with friends or family Apr 7-12, 2020 | 33 | 66 | * |
| e. Watched a concert or a play that was live streamed through the internet or app Apr 7-12, 2020 | 21 | 79 | * |
| f. Attended a class for school online Apr 7-12, 2020 | 18 | 82 | * |

ASK ALL:

COVID_KNOWPATIENT Do you personally know someone who has been hospitalized or died as a result of having COVID-19?

Apr 7-12,
2020

| | |
|----|-----------|
| 15 | Yes |
| 85 | No |
| * | No answer |

ASK ALL:

PARTY In politics today, do you consider yourself a:

ASK IF INDEP/SOMETHING ELSE (PARTY=3 or 4) OR MISSING:

PARTYLN As of today do you lean more to...¹⁷

| | | | | | | |
|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| <u>Republican</u> | <u>Democrat</u> | <u>Independent</u> | <u>Something</u> <u>else</u> | <u>No</u> <u>answer</u> | <u>Lean</u> <u>Rep</u> | <u>Lean</u> <u>Dem</u> |
| 28 | 29 | 29 | 13 | 1 | 17 | 22 |

¹⁷ Party and PartyIn asked in a prior survey.