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Americans are Split on Election Fairness, Confidence in Voters to Make the Right Choice

Democrats and Independents are Less Likely to Trust Elections than Republicans

Full Annotated Questionnaire:

1. How often, if ever, do you vote in the following elections?

Always/most of the time summary

	Total (N=1039)	Republican (N=259)	Democrat (N=358)	Independent (N=270)
Presidential	76%	87%	78%	79%
Mid-term congressional	54%	61%	55%	58%
State and local	61%	66%	63%	65%
Primaries/participate in caucuses	47%	58%	55%	42%

a. Presidential

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Always	65%	72%	70%	67%
Most of the time	11%	15%	8%	11%
Sometimes	8%	4%	8%	9%
Never	14%	9%	13%	11%
Skipped	1%	0%	1%	1%
<i>Always/Most of the time (Net)</i>	<i>76%</i>	<i>87%</i>	<i>78%</i>	<i>79%</i>
<i>Sometimes/Never (Net)</i>	<i>23%</i>	<i>13%</i>	<i>21%</i>	<i>21%</i>

b. Mid-term congressional

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Always	36%	37%	40%	38%
Most of the time	19%	24%	16%	20%
Sometimes	19%	20%	19%	17%
Never	26%	19%	24%	24%
Skipped	1%	0%	1%	1%
<i>Always/Most of the time (Net)</i>	<i>54%</i>	<i>61%</i>	<i>55%</i>	<i>58%</i>
<i>Sometimes/Never (Net)</i>	<i>45%</i>	<i>39%</i>	<i>44%</i>	<i>40%</i>



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c. State and local

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Always	35%	36%	41%	35%
Most of the time	26%	29%	22%	30%
Sometimes	19%	21%	16%	19%
Never	19%	12%	20%	15%
Skipped	1%	1%	1%	1%
<i>Always/Most of the time (Net)</i>	<i>61%</i>	<i>66%</i>	<i>63%</i>	<i>65%</i>
<i>Sometimes/Never (Net)</i>	<i>38%</i>	<i>33%</i>	<i>35%</i>	<i>34%</i>

d. Primaries/participate in caucuses

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Always	31%	39%	38%	25%
Most of the time	16%	18%	17%	16%
Sometimes	21%	19%	19%	24%
Never	31%	23%	25%	34%
Skipped	1%	0%	1%	1%
<i>Always/Most of the time (Net)</i>	<i>47%</i>	<i>58%</i>	<i>55%</i>	<i>42%</i>
<i>Sometimes/Never (Net)</i>	<i>52%</i>	<i>42%</i>	<i>44%</i>	<i>58%</i>

2. How much trust and confidence do you have in the wisdom of the American people when it comes to making choices on election day? A great deal, a fair amount, not very much, or none at all?

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent	2015 Total (Pew)	2015 Republican (Pew)	2015 Democrat (Pew)	2015 Independent (Pew)
A great deal	5%	7%	3%	5%	9%	9%	9%	5%
A fair amount	41%	47%	40%	39%	26%	27%	28%	17%
Not very much	45%	42%	46%	48%	49%	50%	49%	49%
None at all	9%	4%	10%	7%	14%	13%	12%	26%
Skipped	1%	0%	0%	0%	2%	2%	2%	3%
<i>A great deal/A fair amount (Net)</i>	<i>46%</i>	<i>54%</i>	<i>43%</i>	<i>45%</i>	<i>35%</i>	<i>36%</i>	<i>37%</i>	<i>22%</i>
<i>Not very much/None at all (Net)</i>	<i>53%</i>	<i>46%</i>	<i>56%</i>	<i>55%</i>	<i>63%</i>	<i>63%</i>	<i>61%</i>	<i>75%</i>



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3. Thinking about the rules and processes in place for voting in US presidential elections, how much confidence do you have that the presidential election will be open and fair?

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent	2016 Total (Pew)	2016 Republican (Pew)	2016 Democrat (Pew)	2016 Independent (Pew)
A great deal of confidence	13%	19%	5%	15%	33%	13%	52%	15%
A fair amount of confidence	40%	53%	34%	40%	32%	33%	32%	31%
Not too much confidence	36%	21%	46%	36%	22%	33%	12%	31%
No confidence at all	10%	6%	14%	8%	13%	20%	4%	24%
Skipped	1%	0%	1%	0%	*	1%	0%	0%
<i>Confident (Net)</i>	<i>53%</i>	<i>72%</i>	<i>39%</i>	<i>55%</i>	<i>64%</i>	<i>46%</i>	<i>84%</i>	<i>45%</i>
<i>Not confident (Net)</i>	<i>46%</i>	<i>27%</i>	<i>60%</i>	<i>44%</i>	<i>35%</i>	<i>54%</i>	<i>16%</i>	<i>55%</i>

4. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

Agree summary

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Elections in the U.S. are rigged in favor of the rich and powerful.	44%	28%	53%	50%
I don't bother to vote in elections, since there won't ever be a real change that will make my day to day life better	12%	8%	11%	11%
Elections in America are usually fair	48%	61%	40%	52%
Elections have consequences, which is why I vote	70%	76%	71%	74%
I am confident the government has done enough to protect elections from foreign interference.	31%	54%	16%	27%



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a. Elections in the U.S. are rigged in favor of the rich and powerful.

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Strongly agree	13%	5%	18%	13%
Somewhat agree	32%	22%	34%	36%
Neither agree nor disagree	28%	27%	27%	27%
Somewhat disagree	15%	22%	13%	13%
Strongly disagree	12%	23%	6%	10%
Skipped	1%	0%	1%	1%
<i>Agree (Net)</i>	<i>44%</i>	<i>28%</i>	<i>53%</i>	<i>50%</i>
<i>Disagree (Net)</i>	<i>27%</i>	<i>45%</i>	<i>19%</i>	<i>23%</i>

a. I don't bother to vote in elections, since there won't ever be a real change that will make my day to day life better

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Strongly agree	5%	3%	4%	4%
Somewhat agree	7%	5%	7%	7%
Neither agree nor disagree	18%	13%	16%	16%
Somewhat disagree	17%	17%	15%	21%
Strongly disagree	52%	62%	57%	50%
Skipped	1%	0%	1%	1%
<i>Agree (Net)</i>	<i>12%</i>	<i>8%</i>	<i>11%</i>	<i>11%</i>
<i>Disagree (Net)</i>	<i>69%</i>	<i>79%</i>	<i>72%</i>	<i>71%</i>

b. Elections in America are usually fair

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Strongly agree	14%	18%	8%	17%
Somewhat agree	35%	43%	33%	35%
Neither agree nor disagree	24%	21%	24%	22%
Somewhat disagree	19%	12%	25%	18%
Strongly disagree	8%	5%	9%	8%
Skipped	1%	1%	2%	0%
<i>Agree (Net)</i>	<i>48%</i>	<i>61%</i>	<i>40%</i>	<i>52%</i>
<i>Disagree (Net)</i>	<i>26%</i>	<i>17%</i>	<i>34%</i>	<i>26%</i>



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c. Elections have consequences, which is why I vote

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Strongly agree	47%	51%	48%	53%
Somewhat agree	22%	25%	24%	21%
Neither agree nor disagree	20%	18%	18%	18%
Somewhat disagree	4%	3%	4%	5%
Strongly disagree	4%	3%	5%	2%
Skipped	1%	0%	1%	1%
<i>Agree (Net)</i>	<i>70%</i>	<i>76%</i>	<i>71%</i>	<i>74%</i>
<i>Disagree (Net)</i>	<i>9%</i>	<i>6%</i>	<i>10%</i>	<i>7%</i>

d. I am confident the government has done enough to protect elections from foreign interference

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Strongly agree	9%	18%	2%	8%
Somewhat agree	22%	36%	14%	20%
Neither agree nor disagree	25%	27%	20%	25%
Somewhat disagree	22%	11%	26%	28%
Strongly disagree	22%	8%	37%	19%
Skipped	1%	0%	1%	0%
<i>Agree (Net)</i>	<i>31%</i>	<i>54%</i>	<i>16%</i>	<i>27%</i>
<i>Disagree (Net)</i>	<i>44%</i>	<i>19%</i>	<i>63%</i>	<i>47%</i>

5. How confident are you that, across the country, votes cast in the following methods will be accurately cast and counted in this year's election?

Confident summary

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Paper ballots	72%	79%	66%	75%
Electronic voting systems	68%	79%	65%	68%
Mail-in ballot	60%	63%	61%	62%
Over the internet	33%	35%	32%	35%



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a. Paper ballots

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Very confident	24%	29%	17%	27%
Somewhat confident	48%	49%	48%	48%
Not too confident	20%	13%	25%	20%
Not at all confident	7%	8%	8%	5%
Skipped	1%	1%	2%	0%
<i>Confident (Net)</i>	<i>72%</i>	<i>79%</i>	<i>66%</i>	<i>75%</i>
<i>Not confident (Net)</i>	<i>27%</i>	<i>21%</i>	<i>33%</i>	<i>25%</i>

b. Electronic voting systems

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Very confident	18%	26%	12%	20%
Somewhat confident	50%	53%	54%	48%
Not too confident	23%	15%	23%	26%
Not at all confident	8%	5%	10%	6%
Skipped	1%	1%	2%	0%
<i>Confident (Net)</i>	<i>68%</i>	<i>79%</i>	<i>65%</i>	<i>68%</i>
<i>Not confident (Net)</i>	<i>30%</i>	<i>20%</i>	<i>33%</i>	<i>32%</i>

c. Over the internet

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Very confident	6%	11%	4%	6%
Somewhat confident	27%	24%	28%	28%
Not too confident	38%	36%	41%	36%
Not at all confident	28%	28%	26%	29%
Skipped	1%	1%	1%	0%
<i>Confident (Net)</i>	<i>33%</i>	<i>35%</i>	<i>32%</i>	<i>35%</i>
<i>Not confident (Net)</i>	<i>66%</i>	<i>64%</i>	<i>67%</i>	<i>65%</i>



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d. Mail-in ballot

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Very confident	15%	18%	13%	17%
Somewhat confident	45%	45%	48%	45%
Not too confident	28%	26%	27%	27%
Not at all confident	11%	11%	10%	11%
Skipped	1%	1%	1%	1%
<i>Confident (Net)</i>	<i>60%</i>	<i>63%</i>	<i>61%</i>	<i>62%</i>
<i>Not confident (Net)</i>	<i>39%</i>	<i>37%</i>	<i>38%</i>	<i>38%</i>

6. How committed would you say the Republican Party is to making sure elections in the United States are fair and accurate?

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Very committed	17%	42%	2%	13%
Somewhat committed	32%	43%	21%	34%
Not too committed	25%	11%	33%	27%
Not at all committed	24%	3%	42%	25%
Skipped	1%	1%	1%	0%
<i>Committed (Net)</i>	<i>49%</i>	<i>85%</i>	<i>23%</i>	<i>48%</i>
<i>Not committed (Net)</i>	<i>50%</i>	<i>14%</i>	<i>76%</i>	<i>52%</i>

7. How committed would you say the Democratic Party is to making sure elections in the United States are fair and accurate?

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Very committed	19%	8%	38%	15%
Somewhat committed	42%	30%	49%	44%
Not too committed	22%	28%	11%	25%
Not at all committed	16%	33%	2%	15%
Skipped	1%	1%	1%	0%
<i>Committed (Net)</i>	<i>61%</i>	<i>38%</i>	<i>86%</i>	<i>60%</i>
<i>Not committed (Net)</i>	<i>38%</i>	<i>62%</i>	<i>13%</i>	<i>40%</i>



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8. There are many ways for people to vote, and some prefer one way over another. If you had the choice of voting with a paper ballot, on an electronic voting machine, or over the Internet, or through the mail during the weeks leading up to the election day, which would you prefer?

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Electronic voting machine	36%	44%	35%	34%
Paper ballot	28%	26%	27%	28%
Mail-in ballot	19%	17%	22%	19%
Over the internet/by app or phone	17%	13%	15%	19%
Skipped	1%	0%	1%	0%

9. Would the following proposed election reforms make you more or less confident that American elections are open and fair?

Confident summary

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Requiring all citizens to show government-issued photo identification to vote	78%	93%	67%	79%
Making election day a national holiday	64%	56%	69%	68%
Randomize the order of candidates' names on ballots	62%	59%	62%	68%
Automatically registering all citizens to vote	55%	37%	68%	56%
Move presidential elections to weekends, rather than Tuesdays	54%	39%	63%	58%
Allowing people convicted of felonies to vote after serving their sentences	53%	36%	67%	54%

- a. Requiring all citizens to show government-issued photo identification to vote

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Much more confident	47%	75%	26%	46%
Somewhat more confident	31%	18%	41%	34%
Somewhat less confident	12%	6%	17%	12%
Much less confident	8%	2%	14%	8%
Skipped	2%	0%	2%	1%
<i>Confident (Net)</i>	<i>78%</i>	<i>93%</i>	<i>67%</i>	<i>79%</i>
<i>Not confident (Net)</i>	<i>20%</i>	<i>7%</i>	<i>31%</i>	<i>20%</i>



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b. Making Election Day a national holiday

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Much more confident	27%	17%	34%	30%
Somewhat more confident	37%	39%	35%	38%
Somewhat less confident	20%	24%	19%	19%
Much less confident	14%	19%	10%	13%
Skipped	2%	0%	2%	0%
<i>Confident (Net)</i>	<i>64%</i>	<i>56%</i>	<i>69%</i>	<i>68%</i>
<i>Not confident (Net)</i>	<i>34%</i>	<i>43%</i>	<i>29%</i>	<i>32%</i>

c. Move presidential elections to weekends, rather than Tuesdays

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Much more confident	19%	11%	22%	21%
Somewhat more confident	36%	28%	40%	37%
Somewhat less confident	30%	43%	25%	28%
Much less confident	13%	18%	11%	12%
Skipped	2%	0%	2%	1%
<i>Confident (Net)</i>	<i>54%</i>	<i>39%</i>	<i>63%</i>	<i>58%</i>
<i>Not confident (Net)</i>	<i>44%</i>	<i>61%</i>	<i>35%</i>	<i>41%</i>

d. Automatically registering all citizens to vote

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Much more confident	25%	14%	34%	25%
Somewhat more confident	30%	24%	34%	31%
Somewhat less confident	24%	28%	21%	24%
Much less confident	20%	35%	9%	19%
Skipped	2%	0%	2%	1%
<i>Confident (Net)</i>	<i>55%</i>	<i>37%</i>	<i>68%</i>	<i>56%</i>
<i>Not confident (Net)</i>	<i>44%</i>	<i>62%</i>	<i>30%</i>	<i>43%</i>



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e. Allowing people convicted of felonies to vote after serving their sentences

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Much more confident	16%	7%	22%	17%
Somewhat more confident	37%	29%	45%	37%
Somewhat less confident	26%	30%	22%	27%
Much less confident	19%	33%	8%	19%
Skipped	2%	0%	2%	1%
<i>Confident (Net)</i>	<i>53%</i>	<i>36%</i>	<i>67%</i>	<i>54%</i>
<i>Not confident (Net)</i>	<i>45%</i>	<i>63%</i>	<i>31%</i>	<i>46%</i>

f. Randomize the order of candidates' names on ballots

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Much more confident	14%	10%	12%	18%
Somewhat more confident	49%	48%	51%	50%
Somewhat less confident	25%	27%	27%	21%
Much less confident	11%	13%	9%	10%
Skipped	2%	1%	2%	0%
<i>Confident (Net)</i>	<i>62%</i>	<i>59%</i>	<i>62%</i>	<i>68%</i>
<i>Not confident (Net)</i>	<i>36%</i>	<i>40%</i>	<i>36%</i>	<i>31%</i>

10. Some states elect candidates to political office with a winner-takes-all system where the candidate with the most votes wins. Other states use a ranked choice system, which takes voters' preferences among all candidates into account if no candidate receives a majority of the vote. Where you live, would you prefer winner-takes-all-system, or ranked choice?

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Winner-takes-all system	61%	73%	60%	55%
Ranked choice system	37%	27%	39%	45%
Skipped	2%	0%	1%	1%





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11. Thinking for a moment about the way in which the president is elected in this country, which would you prefer--to amend the Constitution so the candidate who receives the most total votes nationwide wins the election, or to keep the current system, in which a candidate who wins the most votes in the Electoral College wins the election?

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Amend the Constitution to total votes	60%	33%	84%	60%
Keep the current Electoral College system	38%	66%	15%	40%
Skipped	2%	1%	1%	0%

12. All states and localities should be allowed to decide their voting processes rather than the federal government overseeing election administration.

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Strongly agree	10%	11%	11%	9%
Somewhat agree	17%	19%	16%	18%
Neither agree nor disagree	28%	21%	29%	27%
Somewhat disagree	20%	19%	20%	21%
Strongly disagree	24%	28%	22%	24%
Skipped	1%	1%	2%	0%
<i>Agree (Net)</i>	<i>28%</i>	<i>30%</i>	<i>26%</i>	<i>27%</i>
<i>Disagree (Net)</i>	<i>44%</i>	<i>48%</i>	<i>42%</i>	<i>45%</i>

13. States and localities with a history of voter discrimination should be allowed to decide their own voting processes rather than the federal government overseeing election administration

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Strongly agree	7%	7%	7%	7%
Somewhat agree	10%	12%	8%	11%
Neither agree nor disagree	27%	26%	28%	23%
Somewhat disagree	20%	20%	19%	22%
Strongly disagree	35%	34%	37%	37%
Skipped	1%	1%	1%	0%
<i>Agree (Net)</i>	<i>17%</i>	<i>19%</i>	<i>15%</i>	<i>18%</i>
<i>Disagree (Net)</i>	<i>55%</i>	<i>54%</i>	<i>56%</i>	<i>59%</i>



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14. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

Agree summary

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Presidential candidates should be required to release their recent tax returns in order to appear on the ballot	53%	26%	75%	57%
Puerto Rico should be given voting representation in Congress	47%	26%	64%	51%
States should elect at least some of their members of Congress based on statewide popular vote rather than by individual district	42%	31%	51%	45%
Washington DC should be given voting representation in Congress	42%	26%	56%	46%
Early primary and caucus states, such as New Hampshire and Iowa, have unfair influence on the Presidential Election process.	41%	37%	44%	46%
The 17th Amendment, which allows for the direct election of senators rather than selection by state legislatures, should be repealed	19%	20%	20%	18%

- a. States should elect at least some of their members of Congress based on statewide popular vote rather than by individual district

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Strongly agree	14%	7%	17%	18%
Somewhat agree	28%	24%	34%	27%
Neither agree nor disagree	32%	33%	33%	28%
Somewhat disagree	13%	16%	9%	15%
Strongly disagree	11%	20%	5%	11%
Skipped	1%	0%	2%	1%
Agree (Net)	42%	31%	51%	45%
Disagree (Net)	24%	35%	14%	26%



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b. Washington DC should be given voting representation in Congress

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Strongly agree	22%	7%	33%	28%
Somewhat agree	19%	19%	24%	18%
Neither agree nor disagree	35%	37%	32%	31%
Somewhat disagree	9%	14%	6%	7%
Strongly disagree	13%	22%	3%	15%
Skipped	2%	2%	2%	1%
<i>Agree (Net)</i>	42%	26%	56%	46%
<i>Disagree (Net)</i>	22%	35%	9%	23%

c. Puerto Rico should be given voting representation in Congress

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Strongly agree	27%	6%	42%	32%
Somewhat agree	20%	21%	22%	19%
Neither agree nor disagree	27%	28%	25%	25%
Somewhat disagree	10%	17%	6%	8%
Strongly disagree	15%	28%	3%	16%
Skipped	1%	1%	1%	0%
<i>Agree (Net)</i>	47%	26%	64%	51%
<i>Disagree (Net)</i>	25%	45%	9%	24%

d. The 17th Amendment, which allows for the direct election of senators rather than selection by state legislatures, should be repealed

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Strongly agree	8%	9%	7%	9%
Somewhat agree	11%	11%	14%	9%
Neither agree nor disagree	43%	32%	49%	40%
Somewhat disagree	12%	16%	8%	13%
Strongly disagree	25%	31%	20%	29%
Skipped	1%	1%	2%	1%
<i>Agree (Net)</i>	19%	20%	20%	18%
<i>Disagree (Net)</i>	37%	47%	29%	42%



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- e. Early primary and caucus states, such as New Hampshire and Iowa, have unfair influence on the Presidential Election process.

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Strongly agree	15%	16%	15%	18%
Somewhat agree	26%	22%	29%	28%
Neither agree nor disagree	44%	42%	41%	40%
Somewhat disagree	9%	13%	7%	8%
Strongly disagree	5%	6%	5%	6%
Skipped	1%	1%	3%	0%
<i>Agree (Net)</i>	<i>41%</i>	<i>37%</i>	<i>44%</i>	<i>46%</i>
<i>Disagree (Net)</i>	<i>14%</i>	<i>19%</i>	<i>12%</i>	<i>14%</i>

- f. Presidential candidates should be required to release their recent tax returns in order to appear on the ballot

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Strongly agree	40%	13%	61%	44%
Somewhat agree	13%	13%	15%	13%
Neither agree nor disagree	22%	27%	16%	21%
Somewhat disagree	8%	15%	3%	7%
Strongly disagree	16%	32%	3%	16%
Skipped	1%	0%	2%	0%
<i>Agree (Net)</i>	<i>53%</i>	<i>26%</i>	<i>75%</i>	<i>57%</i>
<i>Disagree (Net)</i>	<i>23%</i>	<i>47%</i>	<i>7%</i>	<i>22%</i>



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15. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about voting eligibility?

Agree summary

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
The voting age should be increased to 21	27%	44%	14%	27%
States and localities should be able to allow non-citizens to vote in non-federal elections	15%	7%	20%	16%
The voting age should be lowered to 16	12%	3%	18%	12%
Anyone on government benefits should not be allowed to vote	11%	18%	6%	11%
Anyone over the age of 65 should not be allowed to vote	5%	3%	6%	5%
The 19th Amendment, which guarantees women the right to vote, should be repealed	3%	3%	4%	4%

a. States and localities should be able to allow non-citizens to vote in non-federal elections

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Strongly agree	5%	4%	6%	5%
Somewhat agree	10%	4%	13%	11%
Neither agree nor disagree	18%	4%	28%	16%
Somewhat disagree	13%	8%	17%	14%
Strongly disagree	53%	81%	33%	54%
Skipped	1%	0%	2%	0%
<i>Agree (Net)</i>	<i>15%</i>	<i>7%</i>	<i>20%</i>	<i>16%</i>
<i>Disagree (Net)</i>	<i>65%</i>	<i>88%</i>	<i>50%</i>	<i>68%</i>

b. The voting age should be lowered to 16

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Strongly agree	5%	2%	7%	5%
Somewhat agree	7%	1%	10%	8%
Neither agree nor disagree	11%	4%	14%	11%
Somewhat disagree	15%	10%	24%	13%
Strongly disagree	61%	84%	42%	64%
Skipped	1%	0%	2%	0%
<i>Agree (Net)</i>	<i>12%</i>	<i>3%</i>	<i>18%</i>	<i>12%</i>
<i>Disagree (Net)</i>	<i>76%</i>	<i>93%</i>	<i>66%</i>	<i>77%</i>



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c. The voting age should be increased to 21

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Strongly agree	14%	23%	5%	14%
Somewhat agree	14%	21%	8%	13%
Neither agree nor disagree	18%	14%	17%	17%
Somewhat disagree	14%	12%	15%	16%
Strongly disagree	39%	28%	53%	40%
Skipped	1%	1%	2%	0%
<i>Agree (Net)</i>	<i>27%</i>	<i>44%</i>	<i>14%</i>	<i>27%</i>
<i>Disagree (Net)</i>	<i>53%</i>	<i>41%</i>	<i>68%</i>	<i>56%</i>

d. Anyone over the age of 65 should not be allowed to vote

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Strongly agree	2%	2%	2%	2%
Somewhat agree	3%	1%	4%	3%
Neither agree nor disagree	9%	4%	10%	7%
Somewhat disagree	8%	6%	10%	7%
Strongly disagree	77%	87%	72%	81%
Skipped	2%	0%	3%	1%
<i>Agree (Net)</i>	<i>5%</i>	<i>3%</i>	<i>6%</i>	<i>5%</i>
<i>Disagree (Net)</i>	<i>85%</i>	<i>93%</i>	<i>81%</i>	<i>87%</i>

e. Anyone on government benefits should not be allowed to vote

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Strongly agree	6%	10%	2%	6%
Somewhat agree	5%	8%	5%	5%
Neither agree nor disagree	17%	14%	15%	16%
Somewhat disagree	15%	23%	12%	13%
Strongly disagree	56%	45%	64%	60%
Skipped	2%	0%	3%	0%
<i>Agree (Net)</i>	<i>11%</i>	<i>18%</i>	<i>6%</i>	<i>11%</i>
<i>Disagree (Net)</i>	<i>71%</i>	<i>68%</i>	<i>76%</i>	<i>73%</i>



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f. The 19th Amendment, which guarantees women the right to vote, should be repealed

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Strongly agree	2%	2%	2%	2%
Somewhat agree	1%	1%	1%	2%
Neither agree nor disagree	10%	4%	11%	8%
Somewhat disagree	3%	2%	3%	2%
Strongly disagree	83%	90%	80%	85%
Skipped	1%	0%	2%	0%
<i>Agree (Net)</i>	<i>3%</i>	<i>3%</i>	<i>4%</i>	<i>4%</i>
<i>Disagree (Net)</i>	<i>86%</i>	<i>93%</i>	<i>83%</i>	<i>88%</i>

16. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about election security and ballot access?

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Foreign governments pose a threat to US elections	58%	41%	77%	58%
Voter discrimination is a problem in the United States	48%	24%	72%	49%
Electronic voting systems are secure	38%	49%	33%	40%
In-person voter fraud is a problem in the United States	34%	44%	26%	35%
State governments should take partisan interests into account when drawing congressional districts	18%	14%	25%	15%



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- a. State governments should take partisan interests into account when drawing congressional districts

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Strongly agree	7%	3%	11%	6%
Somewhat agree	12%	11%	14%	9%
Neither agree nor disagree	44%	50%	39%	40%
Somewhat disagree	12%	14%	9%	13%
Strongly disagree	25%	20%	24%	32%
Skipped	2%	2%	2%	0%
<i>Total agree (Net)</i>	<i>18%</i>	<i>14%</i>	<i>25%</i>	<i>15%</i>
<i>Total disagree (Net)</i>	<i>36%</i>	<i>34%</i>	<i>33%</i>	<i>45%</i>

- a. Electronic voting systems are secure

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Strongly agree	6%	10%	5%	4%
Somewhat agree	32%	39%	28%	36%
Neither agree nor disagree	28%	25%	27%	27%
Somewhat disagree	22%	17%	25%	23%
Strongly disagree	10%	8%	13%	10%
Skipped	1%	0%	2%	0%
<i>Total agree (Net)</i>	<i>38%</i>	<i>49%</i>	<i>33%</i>	<i>40%</i>
<i>Total disagree (Net)</i>	<i>33%</i>	<i>26%</i>	<i>38%</i>	<i>33%</i>

- b. In-person voter fraud is a problem in the United States

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Strongly agree	11%	15%	7%	12%
Somewhat agree	23%	29%	19%	23%
Neither agree nor disagree	31%	30%	33%	27%
Somewhat disagree	18%	22%	17%	18%
Strongly disagree	16%	4%	22%	20%
Skipped	1%	0%	2%	1%
<i>Total agree (Net)</i>	<i>34%</i>	<i>44%</i>	<i>26%</i>	<i>35%</i>
<i>Total disagree (Net)</i>	<i>34%</i>	<i>26%</i>	<i>40%</i>	<i>38%</i>



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c. Voter discrimination is a problem in the United States

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Strongly agree	22%	7%	36%	24%
Somewhat agree	26%	17%	36%	25%
Neither agree nor disagree	25%	28%	17%	26%
Somewhat disagree	13%	21%	6%	14%
Strongly disagree	12%	26%	3%	10%
Skipped	1%	1%	2%	1%
<i>Total agree (Net)</i>	<i>48%</i>	<i>24%</i>	<i>72%</i>	<i>49%</i>
<i>Total disagree (Net)</i>	<i>25%</i>	<i>47%</i>	<i>9%</i>	<i>24%</i>

d. Foreign governments pose a threat to US elections

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Strongly agree	27%	9%	43%	29%
Somewhat agree	30%	32%	34%	28%
Neither agree nor disagree	24%	26%	15%	26%
Somewhat disagree	12%	20%	3%	14%
Strongly disagree	6%	13%	3%	2%
Skipped	1%	1%	2%	0%
<i>Total agree (Net)</i>	<i>58%</i>	<i>41%</i>	<i>77%</i>	<i>58%</i>
<i>Total disagree (Net)</i>	<i>17%</i>	<i>33%</i>	<i>6%</i>	<i>16%</i>

17. Of the following options, how would you characterize your voting habits?

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Party-line	8%	14%	14%	1%
Mostly one party	42%	59%	57%	29%
Candidates across different parties	34%	20%	18%	56%
None of these	14%	7%	10%	13%
Skipped	1%	0%	1%	1%





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18. Have you ever written in a candidate for president on your ballot?

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Yes	9%	7%	7%	12%
No	89%	93%	91%	86%
Skipped	2%	0%	1%	2%

19. Does pre-election polling influence your vote?

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Yes	9%	5%	11%	9%
No	90%	95%	88%	90%
Skipped	1%	1%	1%	1%

20. Does pre-election polling influence the votes of others?

	Total	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Yes	63%	62%	64%	66%
No	35%	36%	35%	33%
Skipped	2%	2%	1%	1%



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About the Study

This CSPAN/Ipsos Poll was conducted September 23 to 30, 2019 by Ipsos Public Affairs KnowledgePanel® – a division of Ipsos. This poll is based on a nationally-representative probability sample of 1,039 general population adults age 18 or older.

The survey was conducted using the web-enabled KnowledgePanel®, which is the largest and most well-established online panel that is representative of the adult US population. Our recruitment process employs a scientifically developed addressed-based sampling methodology using the latest Delivery Sequence File of the USPS – a database with full coverage of all delivery points in the US. Households are randomly selected from all available households in the U.S. Persons in these households are invited to join and participate in the web-enabled KnowledgePanel®. For those potential panel members who do not already have internet access, Ipsos provides a tablet and internet connection at no cost to the panel member. Those who join the panel and who are selected to participate in a survey are sent a unique password-protected log-in used to complete surveys online. As a result of our recruitment and sampling methods, samples from KnowledgePanel cover all households regardless of their phone or internet status and provide fully representative online samples to the research community.

The study was conducted in both English and Spanish. The data were weighted to adjust for gender by age, race, education, Census region by metropolitan status, household income, language proficiency, and party identification. The demographic benchmarks came from the 2018 March supplement of the U.S. Census Bureau's Current Population Survey (CPS). Party ID benchmarks are set to correspond with the trends found in the ABC News/Washington Post telephone poll.

The weighting categories were as follows:

- Gender (Male/Female) by Age (18–29, 30–44, 45–59, and 60+)
- Race/Hispanic Ethnicity (White/Non-Hispanic, Black/Non-Hispanic, Other or 2+ Races/Non-Hispanic, Hispanic)
- Education (Less than High School, High School graduate, Some College, Bachelor and beyond)
- Census Region (Northeast, Midwest, South, West) by Metropolitan Status (Metro, Non-Metro)
- Household Income (Under \$25,000, \$25,000-\$49,999, \$50,000-\$74,999, \$75,000-\$99,999, \$100,000-\$149,999, \$150,000+)
- Language Proficiency (English Proficient Hispanic, Bilingual Hispanic, Spanish Proficient Hispanic, Non-Hispanic)
- Party ID (Democrat, Republican, Independent, Other/None/Refused)



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The margin of sampling error is plus or minus 3.4 percentage points at the 95% confidence level, for results based on the entire sample of adults. The margin of sampling error takes into account the design effect, which was 1.26. The margin of sampling error is higher and varies for results based on sub-samples. In our reporting of the findings, percentage points are rounded off to the nearest whole number. As a result, percentages in a given table column may total slightly higher or lower than 100%. In questions that permit multiple responses, columns may total substantially more than 100%, depending on the number of different responses offered by each respondent.

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