



## PUBLIC POLL FINDINGS AND METHODOLOGY

### Americans overwhelmingly support continuation of coronavirus stimulus and relief programs

New Reuters/Ipsos polling finds widespread public support for the coronavirus relief programs and desire to see them continued

#### Topline Findings

**Washington, DC, July 23, 2020** – As the coronavirus pandemic continues and Congress debates a potential new relief bill, the American public overwhelmingly supports the existing programs and there is bipartisan consensus on their continuation. This comes as the initial round of spending support nears its end and following proposals from the White House and Senate Republicans to alter or narrow the next round of relief.

#### Detailed Findings

Large majorities of the American public support the major pillars of the existing coronavirus relief plan including small business support, stimulus checks, and additional unemployment insurance.

- Three-quarters (77%) of Americans support “giving all Americans stimulus checks to counter the coronavirus economic damage”, including 71% of Republicans.
- A similar amount – 76% – support “additional unemployment payments for people who lost jobs due to the pandemic”, including 68% of Republicans.

Looking forward, similar large majorities of Americans support continuing these relief programs.

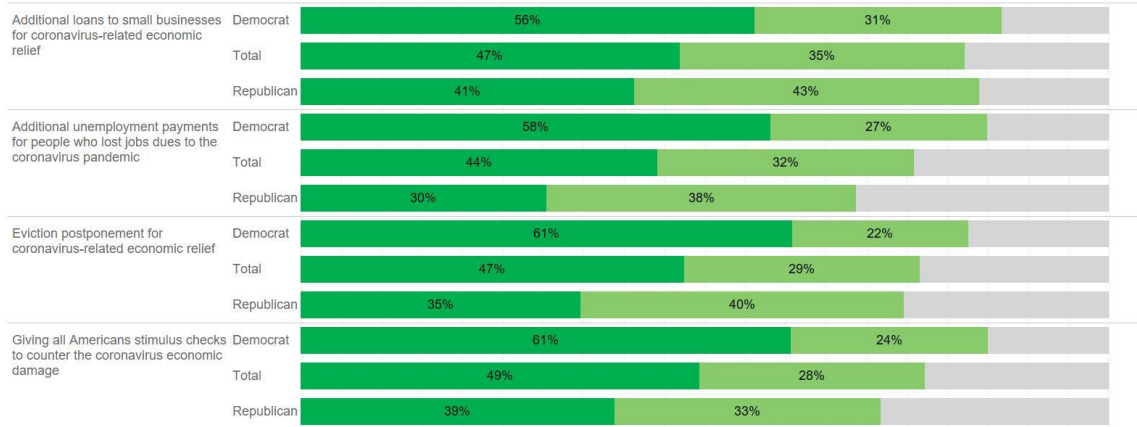
- Four in five (82%) Americans support continuing “additional loans for small business for coronavirus-related economic relief”, including 81% of Republicans.
- Three-quarters (77%) support continuing eviction postponements and protection, including 72% of Republicans.



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### Bipartisan support for expanding benefits

Strong or moderate support for the following proposals by partisanship



■ Strongly support ■ Somewhat support

Source: Reuters/Ipsos polled over 4,430 U.S. adults 18+ between July 5-21, 2020



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		All Respondents	All Registered Voters	Democratic Registered Voters	Republican Registered Voters	Independent Registered Voters
S8 / SC8. In your opinion, what is the most important problem facing the U.S. today? (Select from below or write in)	Economy generally	19%	19%	15%	25%	21%
	Unemployment / lack of jobs	9%	9%	10%	8%	8%
	War / foreign conflicts	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
	Immigration	5%	5%	2%	7%	4%
	Terrorism / terrorist attacks	3%	3%	2%	5%	1%
	Healthcare	19%	19%	26%	10%	25%
	Energy issues	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
	Morality	7%	8%	6%	10%	3%
	Education	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%
	Crime	6%	6%	3%	9%	6%
	Environment	4%	4%	6%	1%	3%
	Other	19%	20%	23%	18%	18%
	Don't know	4%	3%	2%	2%	6%
	Total	4430	3744	1823	1445	363
TM1923Y20_1. How much, if at all, do you support or oppose the following policies?... Giving all Americans stimulus checks to counter the coronavirus economic damage	Strongly support	49%	49%	61%	38%	40%
	Somewhat support	28%	29%	25%	33%	31%
	Somewhat oppose	11%	12%	8%	16%	15%
	Strongly oppose	5%	6%	3%	9%	7%
	Not sure	6%	4%	3%	5%	7%
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TM1923Y20_2. How much, if at all, do you support or oppose the following policies?... Additional loans to small businesses for coronavirus-related economic relief	Strongly support	47%	48%	58%	41%	36%
	Somewhat support	35%	36%	31%	43%	36%
	Somewhat oppose	8%	8%	6%	9%	12%
	Strongly oppose	3%	3%	3%	3%	4%
	Not sure	7%	5%	3%	4%	11%
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TM1923Y20_3. How much, if at all, do you support or oppose the following policies?... Eviction postponement for coronavirus-related economic relief	Strongly support	47%	49%	63%	34%	42%
	Somewhat support	29%	31%	22%	41%	33%
	Somewhat oppose	9%	8%	5%	12%	11%
	Strongly oppose	5%	5%	5%	5%	2%
	Not sure	10%	8%	6%	8%	12%
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TM1923Y20_4. How much, if at all, do you support or oppose the following policies?... Additional unemployment payments for people who lost jobs due to the coronavirus pandemic	Strongly support	44%	44%	59%	29%	37%
	Somewhat support	32%	33%	27%	39%	37%
	Somewhat oppose	11%	12%	8%	17%	12%
	Strongly oppose	7%	7%	4%	10%	8%
	Not sure	6%	4%	2%	5%	7%
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TM1924Y20_1. How much, if at all, do you support or oppose continuing the following policies?... Giving all Americans stimulus checks to counter the coronavirus economic damage	Strongly support	48%	48%	59%	36%	42%
	Somewhat support	27%	28%	26%	31%	25%
	Somewhat oppose	12%	13%	9%	17%	15%
	Strongly oppose	7%	7%	4%	12%	10%
	Not sure	6%	4%	3%	5%	7%
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TM1924Y20_2. How much, if at all, do you support or oppose continuing the following policies?... Additional loans to small businesses for coronavirus-related economic relief	Strongly support	46%	47%	57%	39%	39%
	Somewhat support	36%	36%	32%	42%	37%
	Somewhat oppose	9%	9%	6%	11%	10%
	Strongly oppose	4%	3%	3%	3%	5%
	Not sure	6%	4%	2%	5%	9%
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	Somewhat support	30%	32%	25%	39%	37%
	Somewhat oppose	9%	10%	7%	14%	9%
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### About the Study

These are some of the findings of an Ipsos poll conducted between July 15-21, 2020 on behalf of Thomson Reuters. For this survey, a sample of 4,430 Americans age 18+ from the continental U.S., Alaska, and Hawaii were interviewed online in English. The sample includes 3,744 registered voters, 1,823 Democratic registered voters, 1,445 Republican registered voters, and 363 independent registered voters. Weighting was then employed to balance demographics to ensure that the sample's composition reflects that of the adult population according to Census data and to provide results intended to approximate the sample universe. The precision of Ipsos online polls is measured using a credibility interval. In this case, the poll is accurate to within  $\pm 1.7$  percentage points, 19 times out of 20, had all Americans been polled. The credibility interval will be wider among subsets of the population. All sample surveys and polls may be subject to other sources of error, including, but not limited to coverage error, and measurement error. The poll also has a credibility interval of  $\pm 1.8$  percentage points for all registered voters,  $\pm 2.6$  percentage points for Democratic registered voters,  $\pm 2.9$  percentage points for Republican registered voters, and  $\pm 5.9$  percentage points for independent registered voters.

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