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## Reuters/Ipsos Poll: Infrastructure (07/13/2021)

## Topline Findings

Washington, DC, July 13, 2021 - A Reuters/lpsos poll, which fielded July 7-8, 2021, asked Americans' opinion on President Biden's American Jobs Plan as well as several individual infrastructure proposals. It found that $46 \%$ of Americans support the plan. A previous poll fielded March 31-April 1, 2021, right after details of the package were released, found that $45 \%$ of Americans supported the $\$ 2$ trillion infrastructure and economic recovery package.
Support for the individual infrastructure improvement proposals included within the package benefited from strong support, particularly among Democrats. In particular, Americans support repairing or replacing American ports, railways, bridges, and highways (84\%) and investing in supporting home-based care for the elderly or disabled ( $76 \%$ ). As far as funding for these projects, though, Americans do not want the U.S. government to go into greater debt (only $35 \%$ support this) nor wish to pay more in taxes (only $37 \%$ support the idea) to fund infrastructure projects. The most popular proposal is providing incentives or tax credits to develop clean or renewable energy ( $68 \%$ ).
Finally, if the plan were to pass into law, $51 \%$ of Americans believe it would have a very or somewhat positive income on the economy, similar to what was seen in the previous poll.

For full results, please refer to the following annotated questionnaire:

Full Annotated Questionnaire

|  |  | All Respondents | Republicans | Democrats | Independents |
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| 1_1. Do you support or oppose the following federal government policy proposals? - <br> Replacing all lead pipes used in plumbing in the U.S. | Strongly support | 37\% | 26\% | 53\% | 28\% |
|  | Somewhat support | 32\% | 35\% | 24\% | 40\% |
|  | Somewhat oppose | 11\% | 13\% | 10\% | 13\% |
|  | Strongly oppose | 5\% | 8\% | 3\% | 2\% |
|  | Don't know | 15\% | 19\% | 10\% | 17\% |
|  | Total | 1004 | 375 | 437 | 102 |
| 1_2. Do you support or oppose the following federal government policy proposals? - <br> Providing access to high speed internet to all Americans | Strongly support | 41\% | 25\% | 57\% | 36\% |
|  | Somewhat support | 33\% | 36\% | 29\% | 36\% |
|  | Somewhat oppose | 12\% | 19\% | 3\% | 18\% |
|  | Strongly oppose | 6\% | 11\% | 4\% | 2\% |
|  | Don't know | 9\% | 9\% | 6\% | 9\% |
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|  |  | All Respondents | Republicans | Democrats | Independents |
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| 1_3. Do you support or oppose the following federal government policy proposals? - Repairing or replacing American ports, railways, bridges, and highways | Strongly support | 44\% | 33\% | 60\% | 34\% |
|  | Somewhat support | 40\% | 49\% | 28\% | 51\% |
|  | Somewhat oppose | 7\% | 9\% | 6\% | 5\% |
|  | Strongly oppose | 3\% | 4\% | 2\% | 2\% |
|  | Don't know | 6\% | 6\% | 4\% | 9\% |
|  | Total | 1004 | 375 | 437 | 102 |
| 1_4. Do you support or oppose the following federal government policy proposals? Investment in supporting homebased care for the elderly or disabled | Strongly support | 37\% | 25\% | 53\% | 29\% |
|  | Somewhat support | 39\% | 44\% | 33\% | 43\% |
|  | Somewhat oppose | 8\% | 12\% | 6\% | 4\% |
|  | Strongly oppose | 5\% | 6\% | 3\% | 8\% |
|  | Don't know | 11\% | 13\% | 6\% | 16\% |
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| 1_5. Do you support or oppose the following federal government policy proposals? Incentives or tax credits for development of clean or renewable energy | Strongly support | 31\% | 17\% | 51\% | 20\% |
|  | Somewhat support | 37\% | 34\% | 35\% | 45\% |
|  | Somewhat oppose | 12\% | 21\% | 6\% | 9\% |
|  | Strongly oppose | 9\% | 18\% | 1\% | 11\% |
|  | Don't know | 11\% | 10\% | 7\% | 15\% |
|  | Total | 1004 | 375 | 437 | 102 |
| 1_6. Do you support or oppose the following federal government policy proposals? - <br> Increasing taxes on corporations and large businesses to pay for infrastructure improvements | Strongly support | 38\% | 18\% | 60\% | 30\% |
|  | Somewhat support | 27\% | 27\% | 24\% | 34\% |
|  | Somewhat oppose | 14\% | 23\% | 6\% | 14\% |
|  | Strongly oppose | 11\% | 23\% | 3\% | 11\% |
|  | Don't know | 9\% | 8\% | 6\% | 10\% |
|  | Total | 1004 | 375 | 437 | 102 |
| 1_7. Do you support or oppose the following federal government policy proposals? - Ending tax breaks for oil, gas, and coal companies to pay for infrastructure improvements | Strongly support | 32\% | 16\% | 52\% | 21\% |
|  | Somewhat support | 30\% | 30\% | 29\% | 31\% |
|  | Somewhat oppose | 14\% | 22\% | 4\% | 22\% |
|  | Strongly oppose | 9\% | 17\% | 4\% | 4\% |
|  | Don't know | 16\% | 16\% | 10\% | 22\% |
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|  |  | All Respondents | Republicans | Democrats | Independents |
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| 1_8. Do you support or oppose the following federal government policy proposals? - <br> Increasing taxes on the highest-earning Americans to pay for infrastructure improvements | Strongly support | 38\% | 22\% | 63\% | 22\% |
|  | Somewhat support | 26\% | 22\% | 22\% | 39\% |
|  | Somewhat oppose | 15\% | 23\% | 5\% | 22\% |
|  | Strongly oppose | 12\% | 24\% | 6\% | 9\% |
|  | Don't know | 8\% | 9\% | 5\% | 8\% |
|  | Total | 1004 | 375 | 437 | 102 |
| 2_1. Please indicate if you agree or disagree with the following statements: - I am willing to pay higher taxes to help invest in infrastructure in the U.S. | Strongly agree | 11\% | 6\% | 19\% | 3\% |
|  | Somewhat agree | 26\% | 17\% | 34\% | 30\% |
|  | Somewhat disagree | 26\% | 29\% | 22\% | 30\% |
|  | Strongly disagree | 26\% | 39\% | 17\% | 25\% |
|  | Don't know | 10\% | 8\% | 7\% | 12\% |
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| 2_2. Please indicate if you agree or disagree with the following statements: - It is ok for the federal government to take on more debt to pay for infrastructure improvements | Strongly agree | 11\% | 2\% | 22\% | 5\% |
|  | Somewhat agree | 24\% | 16\% | 33\% | 21\% |
|  | Somewhat disagree | 26\% | 28\% | 23\% | 28\% |
|  | Strongly disagree | 25\% | 43\% | 9\% | 31\% |
|  | Don't know | 14\% | 10\% | 12\% | 15\% |
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| 2_3. Please indicate if you agree or disagree with the following statements: - I am willing to pay tolls and user-fees to fund infrastructure improvements | Strongly agree | 14\% | 10\% | 19\% | 10\% |
|  | Somewhat agree | 36\% | 27\% | 46\% | 35\% |
|  | Somewhat disagree | 21\% | 27\% | 14\% | 20\% |
|  | Strongly disagree | 20\% | 27\% | 13\% | 23\% |
|  | Don't know | 10\% | 8\% | 7\% | 12\% |
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| 2_4. Please indicate if you agree or disagree with the following statements: - I am willing to pay more for consumer goods if it promotes manufacturing jobs | Strongly agree | 13\% | 7\% | 21\% | 9\% |
|  | Somewhat agree | 38\% | 36\% | 42\% | 37\% |
|  | Somewhat disagree | 24\% | 26\% | 19\% | 28\% |
|  | Strongly disagree | 15\% | 23\% | 9\% | 11\% |
|  | Don't know | 10\% | 8\% | 9\% | 14\% |
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| 2_5. Please indicate if you agree or disagree with the following statements: - <br> Government and environmental regulations have harmed U.S. energy production | Strongly agree | 22\% | 33\% | 15\% | 24\% |
|  | Somewhat agree | 29\% | 35\% | 26\% | 27\% |
|  | Somewhat disagree | 17\% | 13\% | 19\% | 17\% |
|  | Strongly disagree | 13\% | 5\% | 23\% | 8\% |
|  | Don't know | 19\% | 14\% | 16\% | 25\% |
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| 2_6. Please indicate if you agree or disagree with the following statements: - It is worth reducing wildlife protections if that helps some businesses create jobs in the U.S. | Strongly agree | 9\% | 8\% | 13\% | 4\% |
|  | Somewhat agree | 15\% | 19\% | 11\% | 20\% |
|  | Somewhat disagree | 27\% | 33\% | 19\% | 31\% |
|  | Strongly disagree | 38\% | 31\% | 51\% | 28\% |
|  | Don't know | 10\% | 9\% | 6\% | 18\% |
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| 2_7. Please indicate if you agree or disagree with the following statements: - It is worth reducing air and water protections if that helps some businesses create jobs in the U.S. | Strongly agree | 9\% | 8\% | 12\% | 4\% |
|  | Somewhat agree | 23\% | 28\% | 19\% | 32\% |
|  | Somewhat disagree | 24\% | 30\% | 21\% | 20\% |
|  | Strongly disagree | 32\% | 24\% | 43\% | 24\% |
|  | Don't know | 11\% | 10\% | 6\% | 20\% |
|  | Total | 1004 | 375 | 437 | 102 |
| 2_8. Please indicate if you agree or disagree with the following statements: - It is worth reducing limits on carbon emissions if that helps some businesses create jobs in the U.S. | Strongly agree | 16\% | 13\% | 21\% | 12\% |
|  | Somewhat agree | 27\% | 34\% | 24\% | 21\% |
|  | Somewhat disagree | 21\% | 21\% | 19\% | 26\% |
|  | Strongly disagree | 23\% | 19\% | 28\% | 19\% |
|  | Don't know | 14\% | 13\% | 7\% | 22\% |
|  | Total | 1004 | 375 | 437 | 102 |
| 3. Do you support or oppose the jobs and infrastructure plan, also known as the American Jobs Plan, recently released by the Biden administration? | Strongly support | 19\% | 4\% | 40\% | 6\% |
|  | Somewhat support | 27\% | 16\% | 37\% | 29\% |
|  | Somewhat oppose | 13\% | 23\% | 3\% | 15\% |
|  | Strongly oppose | 14\% | 33\% | 2\% | 11\% |
|  | Don't know | 27\% | 24\% | 19\% | 39\% |
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|  |  | All Respondents | Republicans | Democrats | Independents |
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| 4_1. If passed into law, do you think the Biden Administration's infrastructure plan, 'The American Jobs Plan' would have a positive or negative impact on the following? - Americans in general | Very positive | 18\% | 4\% | 36\% | 9\% |
|  | Somewhat positive | 30\% | 19\% | 41\% | 29\% |
|  | Somewhat negative | 17\% | 31\% | 6\% | 19\% |
|  | Very negative | 14\% | 31\% | 3\% | 12\% |
|  | Don't know | 20\% | 16\% | 13\% | 32\% |
|  | Total | 1004 | 375 | 437 | 102 |
| 4_2. If passed into law, do you think the Biden Administration's infrastructure plan, 'The American Jobs Plan' would have a positive or negative impact on the following? - The U.S. economy | Very positive | 21\% | 3\% | 44\% | 13\% |
|  | Somewhat positive | 29\% | 22\% | 36\% | 30\% |
|  | Somewhat negative | 13\% | 24\% | 4\% | 13\% |
|  | Very negative | 15\% | 34\% | 2\% | 13\% |
|  | Don't know | 21\% | 18\% | 15\% | 30\% |
|  | Total | 1004 | 375 | 437 | 102 |
| 4_3. If passed into law, do you think the Biden Administration's infrastructure plan, 'The American Jobs Plan' would have a positive or negative impact on the following? - You personally | Very positive | 15\% | 3\% | 30\% | 7\% |
|  | Somewhat positive | 26\% | 18\% | 37\% | 22\% |
|  | Somewhat negative | 15\% | 26\% | 5\% | 17\% |
|  | Very negative | 12\% | 26\% | 2\% | 9\% |
|  | Don't know | 32\% | 27\% | 26\% | 46\% |
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## About the Study

These are some of the findings of an Ipsos poll conducted between July 7 - 8, 2021. For this survey, a sample of 1,004 adults age $18+$ from the continental U.S., Alaska, and Hawaii was interviewed online in English. The sample includes 375 Republicans, 437 Democrats, and 102 Independents.

The sample was randomly drawn from losos' online panel, partner online panel sources, and "river" sampling and does not rely on a population frame in the traditional sense. Ipsos uses fixed sample targets, unique to each study, in drawing a sample. After a sample has been obtained from the Ipsos panel, Ipsos calibrates respondent characteristics to be representative of the U.S. Population using standard procedures such as raking-ratio adjustments. The source of these population targets is U.S. Census 2018 American Community Survey data. The sample drawn for this study reflects fixed sample targets on demographics. Posthoc weights were made to the population characteristics on gender, age, race/ethnicity, region, and education.

Statistical margins of error are not applicable to online non-probability polls. All sample surveys and polls may be subject to other sources of error, including, but not limited to coverage error and measurement error. Where figures do not sum to 100, this is due to the effects of rounding. The precision of Ipsos online polls is measured using a credibility interval. In this case, the poll has a credibility interval of plus or minus 3.5 percentage points for all respondents. Ipsos calculates a design effect (DEFF) for each study based on the variation of the weights, following the formula of Kish (1965). This study had a credibility interval adjusted for design effect of the following ( $\mathrm{n}=1,004$, $\mathrm{DEFF}=1.5$, adjusted Confidence Interval=+/5.0 percentage points).

The poll also has a credibility interval of plus or minus 5.8 percentage points for Republicans, plus or minus 5.3 percentage points for Democrats, and plus or minus 11.1 percentage points for Independents.

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#### Abstract

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