

The February 2021 AP-NORC Center Poll

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Interviews: 2/25-3/1/2021 1,434 adults

Margin of sampling error: +/- 3.4 percentage points at the 95% confidence level among all

adults

NOTE: All results show percentages among all respondents, unless otherwise labeled.

CUR1. Generally speaking, would you say things in this country are heading in the...

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

| | | | | SKIPPED |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------|---------|
| AP-NORC | | | DON'T | ON WEB/ |
| All adults | Right direction | Wrong direction | KNOW | REFUSED |
| 2/25-3/1/2021 (N=1,434) | 48 | 51 | * | 1 |
| 1/28-2/1/2021 (N=1,055) | 49 | 49 | 1 | 1 |
| 12/3-7/2020 (N=1,117) | 37 | 62 | 1 | 1 |
| 10/8-12/2020 (N=1,121) | 25 | 74 | 1 | 1 |
| 9/11-14/2020 (N = 1,108) | 27 | 72 | * | 1 |
| 8/17-19/2020 (N=1,075) | 23 | 75 | 1 | * |
| 7/16-20/2020 (N=1,057) | 20 | 80 | * | * |
| 6/11-15/2020 (N=1,310) | 24 | 74 | 1 | 1 |
| 5/14-18/2020 (N=1,056) | 33 | 65 | 1 | 1 |
| 4/16-20/2020 (N=1,057) | 36 | 63 | 1 | - |
| 3/26-29/2020 (N=1,057) | 42 | 58 | * | * |
| 2/13-16/2020 (N=1,074) | 41 | 59 | * | * |
| 1/16-21/2020 (N=1,353) | 38 | 62 | * | * |
| 12/5-9/2019 (N=1,053) | 36 | 63 | * | * |
| 10/24-28/2019 (N=1,075) | 39 | 60 | 1 | 1 |
| 9/20-23/2019 (N=1,286) | 38 | 60 | 1 | 1 |
| 8/15-18/2019 (N=1,059) | 33 | 66 | * | 1 |
| 6/13-17/2019 (N=1,116) | 36 | 63 | * | 1 |
| 5/17-20/2019 (<i>N=1,137</i>) | 35 | 62 | 2 | 1 |
| 4/11-14/2019 (<i>N=1,108</i>) | 37 | 62 | * | * |
| 3/14-18/2019 (N=1,063) | 35 | 63 | * | 1 |
| 1/16-20/2019 (N=1,062) | 28 | 70 | 1 | * |
| 12/13-16/2018 (N=1,067) | 39 | 59 | * | 1 |
| 10/11-14/2018 (N=1,152) | 39 | 60 | * | 1 |
| 8/16-20/2018 (N=1,055) | 38 | 62 | * | * |
| 6/13-18/2018 (N=1,109) | 40 | 58 | 1 | 1 |
| 4/11-16/2018 (N=1,140) | 39 | 60 | * | * |
| 3/14-19/2018 (N=1,222) | 37 | 62 | 1 | 1 |
| 2/15-19/2018 (N=1,337) | 32 | 68 | * | * |
| 12/7-11/2017 (N=1,020) | 30 | 69 | 1 | * |
| 9/28-10/2/2017 (N=1,150) | 24 | 74 | 1 | * |
| 6/8-11/2017 (N=1,068) | 34 | 65 | 2 | * |
| 3/23-27/2017 (N=1,110) | 37 | 62 | 1 | * |

CUR2. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling his job as president?

If don't know, skipped, or refused in CUR2

CUR3. If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Joe Biden is handling his job as president?

If approve in CUR2

CUR3A. Would you say you approve of the way Joe Biden is handling his job as president strongly or do you approve just somewhat?

If disapprove in CUR2

CUR3B. Would you say you disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling his job as president strongly or do you disapprove just somewhat?

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

| | | | | | Do | | | | | | |
|---------------|---------|----------|----------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|----------|----|------|
| | | | | Lean | not | | Lean | Some- | | | |
| | | | | toward | lean | Dis- | toward | what | Strongly | | |
| AP-NORC | Approve | Strongly | Somewhat | approv | either | approve | disapp- | dis- | dis- | | SKP |
| All adults | NET | approve | approve | -ing | way | NET | roving | approve | approve | DK | /REF |
| 2/25-3/1/2021 | 60 | 32 | 28 | * | * | 40 | * | 15 | 24 | * | * |
| (N=1,434) | 80 | 32 | 20 | , | - | 40 | , | 15 | 24 | | |
| 1/28-2/1/2021 | 61 | 35 | 26 | * | 1 | 38 | * | 11 | 26 | * | |
| (N=1,055) | 91 | 33 | 20 | , | 1 | 30 | , | 11 | 20 | | |

CURY2. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling...?

[GRID ITEMS RANDOMIZED; HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

| AP-NORC | | | | |
|--------------------------|---------|------------|----|---------|
| 2/25-3/1/2021 | | | | |
| (N=1,434) | Approve | Disapprove | DK | SKP/REF |
| The economy | 55 | 44 | * | 1 |
| The coronavirus pandemic | 70 | 29 | * | 1 |
| Health care | 58 | 41 | * | 1 |
| Race relations | 61 | 38 | * | 1 |

B1A. How would you describe the nation's economy these days? Would you say...

If neither good nor poor, Don't know, Skipped, or Refused in B1A.

B1B. If you had to choose, do you lean more toward the nation's economy being good or the nation's economy being poor?

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

| | Very/ Some- what/ | | Sama | 1.00 | Neither | Very/ Some- what/ Lean | | Cama | | | |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|------|---------------|----------------|-------------|---------------------------------|----------------|---------------|------|----|------|
| AP-NORC | Lean toward | Very | Some- what | Lean toward | good nor | toward poor | Lean toward | Some- what | Very | | SKP/ |
| All adults | good NET | good | good | good | poor | NET | poor | poor | poor | DK | REF |
| 2/25-3/1/2021 (N=1,434) | 37 | 1 | 22 | 14 | * | 63 | 16 | 34 | 12 | - | * |
| 1/28-2/1/2021 (N=1,055) | 31 | 1 | 17 | 12 | * | 69 | 15 | 37 | 17 | - | - |
| 12/3-7/2020 (N=1,117) | 38 | 5 | 22 | 11 | * | 62 | 11 | 34 | 17 | * | - |
| 10/8-12/2020 (N=1,121) | 39 | 6 | 22 | 11 | * | 61 | 10 | 31 | 20 | - | * |
| 9/11-14/2020 (N=1,108) | 40 | 6 | 24 | 11 | * | 60 | 10 | 33 | 16 | - | - |
| 8/17-19/2020 (N=1,075) | 37 | 4 | 21 | 12 | * | 62 | 12 | 32 | 18 | - | - |
| 7/16-20/2020 (N=1,057) | 38 | 4 | 22 | 12 | - | 62 | 11 | 30 | 21 | - | - |
| 6/11-15/2020 (N=1,310) | 36 | 5 | 19 | 12 | * | 63 | 14 | 28 | 21 | - | 1 |
| 5/14-18/2020 (N=1,056) | 29 | 3 | 13 | 13 | * | 70 | 9 | 31 | 30 | - | * |
| 4/16-20/2020 (N=1,057) | 29 | 3 | 15 | 11 | - | 71 | 8 | 30 | 33 | - | - |
| 03/26-29/2020 (N=1,057) | 39 | 9 | 17 | 12 | * | 60 | 10 | 29 | 21 | - | - |
| 1/16-21/2020 (N=1,353) | 67 | 21 | 36 | 10 | * | 33 | 13 | 15 | 5 | - | * |
| 9/20-23/2019 (N=1,286) | 61 | 18 | 31 | 11 | * | 38 | 11 | 19 | 8 | 1 | * |
| 6/13-17/2019 (N=1,116) | 63 | 15 | 35 | 14 | * | 36 | 13 | 16 | 7 | - | 1 |

B2A. And how would you describe the financial situation in your own household these days? Would you say...

If neither good nor poor, Don't know, Skipped, or Refused in B2A.

B2B. If you had to choose, do you lean more toward the financial situation in your own household being good or poor?

[GRID ITEMS RANDOMIZED; HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

| | Very/ Some- what/Lean | | Some- | Lean | Neither good | Very/ Some- what/Lean | Lean | Some- | | | |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|------|-------|--------|-----------------|-----------------------------|--------|-------|------|----|------|
| AP-NORC | toward | Very | what | toward | nor | toward | toward | what | Very | | SKP/ |
| All adults | good NET | good | good | good | poor | poor NET | poor | poor | poor | DK | REF |
| 2/25-3/1/2021 (N=1,434) | 67 | 13 | 37 | 18 | * | 32 | 12 | 14 | 6 | ı | * |
| 10/8-12/2020 (N=1,121) | 65 | 14 | 35 | 16 | * | 34 | 12 | 15 | 8 | ı | * |
| 9/11-14/2020 (N=1,108) | 65 | 15 | 31 | 18 | * | 35 | 13 | 17 | 5 | - | * |
| 8/17-19/2020 (N=1,075) | 63 | 13 | 34 | 17 | * | 36 | 12 | 18 | 6 | * | * |
| 7/16-20/2020 (N=1,057) | 65 | 14 | 34 | 17 | * | 35 | 14 | 15 | 6 | - | - |
| 6/11-15/2020 (N=1,310) | 66 | 14 | 36 | 16 | 1 | 32 | 12 | 14 | 7 | - | 1 |
| 5/14-18/2020 (N=1,056) | 66 | 15 | 32 | 20 | * | 33 | 10 | 16 | 7 | - | 1 |
| 4/16-20/2020 (N=1,057) | 64 | 14 | 31 | 18 | * | 36 | 10 | 17 | 8 | - | - |
| 3/26-29/2020 (N=1,057) | 62 | 11 | 34 | 17 | * | 38 | 10 | 19 | 9 | - | * |
| 1/16-21/2020 (N=1,353) | 69 | 18 | 37 | 15 | * | 31 | 9 | 14 | 7 | 1 | * |
| 9/20-23/2020 (N=1,286) | 64 | 19 | 32 | 14 | * | 35 | 13 | 14 | 8 | * | * |
| 6/13-17/2020 (N=1,116) | 67 | 15 | 37 | 15 | * | 32 | 12 | 15 | 5 | - | 1 |

BB2. In the next year, do you think each of the following $\underline{\text{will}}$ get better, get worse, or stay about the same?

[GRID ITEMS RANDOMIZED]

| | | Much/ Some what better | Much | Some what | About the | Much/ Some what worse | Some what | Much | | SKP/ |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|--------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------------|--------------|-------|----|------|
| AP-NORC | - 1 1 - 1 | NET | better | better | same | NET | worse | worse | DK | REF |
| The way things are going in the | 2/25-3/1/2021 (N=1,434) | 43 | 11 | 33 | 23 | 34 | 20 | 14 | * | * |
| country overall | 1/28-2/1/2021 | 45 | 10 | 36 | 10 | 26 | 21 | 14 | * | * |
| | (N=1,055) | 45 | 10 | 30 | 19 | 36 | 21 | 14 | | • |
| | 12/3-7/2020 (N = 1,117) | 45 | 8 | 37 | 20 | 35 | 23 | 12 | * | * |
| | 9/11-14/2020 | | | | | | | | | |
| | (N = 1,108) | 41 | 11 | 30 | 29 | 29 | 19 | 10 | 1 | 1 |
| | 7/16-20/2020 | 26 | 0 | 27 | 24 | 40 | 26 | 1.1 | * | * |
| | (N=1,057) | 36 | 9 | 27 | 24 | 40 | 26 | 14 | | |
| | 6/11-15/2020 | 36 | 9 | 28 | 24 | 38 | 25 | 13 | * | 1 |
| | (N=1,310) | | | | | | | | | _ |
| | 5/14-18/2020 (N=1,056) | 36 | 9 | 27 | 24 | 38 | 25 | 13 | 1 | 1 |
| | 4/16-20/2020 | | | | | | | | _ | * |
| | (N=1,057) | 42 | 13 | 29 | 19 | 38 | 28 | 10 | 1 | * |
| | 3/26-29/2020 | 39 | 12 | 27 | 24 | 37 | 23 | 14 | * | * |
| | (N=1,057) | 35 | 12 | 27 | 24 | 3, | 23 | 14 | | |
| | 1/16-21/2020 | 30 | 7 | 23 | 35 | 34 | 24 | 11 | * | * |
| | (N=1,353) 12/5-9/2019 | | | | | | | | | |
| | (N=1,053) | 28 | 8 | 20 | 30 | 42 | 29 | 13 | * | * |
| | 9/20-23/2019 | | | | | | | | _ | |
| | (N=1,286) | 30 | 9 | 21 | 28 | 41 | 27 | 14 | * | 1 |
| | 6/13-17/2019 | 27 | 9 | 19 | 28 | 44 | 29 | 15 | * | 1 |
| | (N=1,116) | 21 | 9 | 19 | 28 | 44 | 29 | 12 | | 1 |
| | 1/16-20/2019 | 22 | 6 | 17 | 25 | 52 | 30 | 22 | * | 1 |
| | (N=1,062) | | | | | | | _ | | - |
| | 6/13-18/2018 (N=1,109) | 32 | 9 | 23 | 25 | 42 | 25 | 17 | * | * |
| | 6/13-18/2018 | 22 | 40 | 20 | 2- | 4- | 24 | 4.5 | * | * |
| | (N=1,109) | 30 | 10 | 20 | 25 | 45 | 31 | 15 | * | * |
| | 4/11-16/2018 | 32 | 9 | 22 | 22 | 46 | 29 | 17 | _ | * |
| | (N=1,140) | | | | | | | -, | | |
| | 3/14-19/2018 | 32 | 8 | 24 | 22 | 45 | 26 | 19 | 1 | * |
| | (N=1,122) | | | | | | | | | |

| AP-NORC | | Much/ Some what better NET | Much better | Some what better | About the same | Much/ Some what worse NET | Some what worse | Much worse | DK | SKP/ REF |
|--------------|------------------------------------|--|----------------|------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|----|-------------|
| The national | 2/25-3/1/2021 | 44 | 7 | | | | | | * | * |
| economy | (N=1,434) | 44 | / | 37 | 23 | 32 | 19 | 12 | | |
| | 1/28-2/1/2021 (N=1,055) | 44 | 6 | 38 | 19 | 36 | 22 | 14 | * | * |
| | 12/3-7/2020 (N = 1,117) | 41 | 7 | 34 | 23 | 35 | 24 | 12 | * | * |
| | 9/11-14/2020 (N = 1,108) | 43 | 12 | 32 | 27 | 28 | 21 | 8 | * | 1 |
| | 7/16-20/2020 (N=1,057) | 41 | 13 | 28 | 23 | 35 | 25 | 10 | * | 1 |
| | 6/11-15/2020 (N=1,310) | 43 | 13 | 29 | 21 | 35 | 26 | 1 | * | 1 |
| | 5/14-18/2020 (N=1,056) | 41 | 14 | 27 | 17 | 40 | 27 | 14 | 1 | 1 |
| | 4/16-20/2020 (N=1,057) | 45 | 14 | 31 | 17 | 37 | 24 | 13 | * | * |
| | 3/26-29/2020 (N=1,057) | 40 | 13 | 27 | 22 | 37 | 23 | 14 | * | * |
| | 1/16-21/2020 (N=1,353) | 34 | 9 | 25 | 41 | 24 | 18 | 6 | * | * |
| | 12/5-9/2019 (N=1,053) | 31 | 10 | 21 | 36 | 32 | 24 | 8 | * | * |
| | 9/20-23/2019 (N=1,286) | 33 | 11 | 22 | 30 | 35 | 24 | 11 | 1 | 1 |
| | 6/13-17/2019 (<i>N</i> =1,116) | 28 | 9 | 19 | 37 | 34 | 25 | 9 | * | 1 |
| | 1/16-20/2019 (N=1,062) | 27 | 9 | 18 | 27 | 44 | 27 | 18 | 1 | 1 |
| | 12/13-16/2018 (N=1,067) | 33 | 11 | 22 | 31 | 35 | 26 | 10 | * | * |
| | 6/13-18/2018 (N=1,109) | 36 | 12 | 25 | 31 | 31 | 24 | 8 | * | 1 |
| | 4/11-16/2018 (N=1,140) | 36 | 11 | 25 | 31 | 33 | 23 | 10 | * | 1 |
| | 3/14-19/2018 (N=1,122) | 37 | 11 | 26 | 30 | 32 | 24 | 8 | * | 1 |

| AP-NORC | | Much/ Some what better NET | Much better | Some what better | About the same | Much/ Some what worse NET | Some what worse | Much worse | DK | SKP/ REF |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--|----------------|------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|----|-------------|
| Your own personal finances | 2/25-3/1/2021 (N=1,434) | 40 | 7 | 32 | 46 | 13 | 10 | 4 | * | 1 |
| | 1/28-2/1/2021 (N=1,055) | 34 | 6 | 28 | 48 | 18 | 13 | 5 | * | * |
| | 12/3-7/2020 (N = 1,117) | 32 | 7 | 25 | 49 | 19 | 15 | 5 | * | * |
| | 9/11-14/2020 (N = 1,108) | 38 | 11 | 27 | 48 | 13 | 9 | 4 | - | 1 |
| | 7/16-20/2020 (N=1,057) | 33 | 9 | 24 | 51 | 16 | 12 | 4 | - | 1 |
| | 6/11-15/2020 (N=1,310) | 38 | 10 | 28 | 46 | 15 | 12 | 3 | * | 1 |
| | 5/14-18/2020 (N=1,056) | 37 | 10 | 27 | 44 | 17 | 13 | 4 | 1 | 1 |
| | 4/16-20/2020 (N=1,057) | 36 | 8 | 28 | 46 | 17 | 15 | 3 | * | 1 |
| | 3/26-29/2020 (N=1,057) | 39 | 10 | 29 | 42 | 19 | 13 | 6 | 1 | * |
| | 1/16-21/2020 (N=1,353) | 42 | 11 | 31 | 45 | 12 | 9 | 3 | * | * |
| | 12/5-9/2019 (N=1,053) | 37 | 12 | 26 | 48 | 14 | 9 | 4 | * | * |
| | 9/20-23/2019 (N=1,286) | 41 | 8 | 33 | 44 | 15 | 10 | 5 | * | 1 |
| | 6/13-17/2019 (N=1,116) | 37 | 11 | 26 | 48 | 13 | 9 | 4 | * | 1 |
| | 1/16-20//2019 (N=1,062) | 33 | 8 | 24 | 45 | 21 | 13 | 9 | - | 1 |
| | 12/13-16/2018 (N=1,067) | 35 | 10 | 25 | 44 | 20 | 14 | 6 | * | * |
| | 6/13-18/2018 (N=1,109) | 37 | 10 | 27 | 45 | 17 | 13 | 4 | 1 | 1 |
| | 4/11-16/2018 (N=1,140) | 37 | 11 | 26 | 46 | 18 | 14 | 4 | 1 | * |
| | 3/14-19/2018 (N=1,122) | 39 | 10 | 29 | 42 | 18 | 13 | 5 | * | * |

ECO1. Thinking about your own financial situation, how confident are you that...?

[GRID ITEMS RANDOMIZED; HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

| AP-NORC | | Extremely/ Very confident NET | Extremely confident | Very confident | Somewhat confident | Not very/Not at all confident NET | Not very confident | Not at all confident | DK | SKP/ REF |
|-------------|--------------------|--|---------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---|-----------------------|-------------------------|----|-------------|
| You will | 2/25- | | | | | | | | | |
| have | 3/1/2021 | | | | | | | | | |
| enough | (N=1,434) | 24 | 8 | 15 | 30 | 46 | 23 | 24 | * | * |
| savings for | 3/26- | | | | | | | | | |
| your | 29/2020 | | _ | | | | | | | |
| retirement | (N=1,057) | 18 | 7 | 12 | 30 | 52 | 24 | 28 | - | * |
| | 6/13- | | | | | | | | | |
| | 17/2019 | 24 | • | 40 | | | 20 | 2.4 | | |
| | (N=1,116) | 21 | 8 | 13 | 33 | 44 | 20 | 24 | 1 | 1 |
| | 1/16- | | | | | | | | | |
| | 20/2019 | 20 | 7 | 13 | 22 | 47 | 22 | 24 | 1 | 1 |
| You can | (N=1,062) 2/25- | 20 | / | 13 | 32 | 4/ | 22 | 24 | 1 | 1 |
| keep up | 3/1/2021 | | | | | | | | | |
| with your | (N=1,434) | 44 | 16 | 28 | 37 | 19 | 14 | 5 | * | * |
| expenses | 3/26- | | 10 | 20 | 37 | 13 | 17 | | | |
| СХРСПЭСЭ | 29/2020 | | | | | | | | | |
| | (N=1,057) | 36 | 11 | 24 | 40 | 24 | 15 | 9 | _ | * |
| | 6/13- | | | | | | | | | |
| | 17/2019 | | | | | | | | | |
| | (N=1,116) | 40 | 16 | 24 | 41 | 19 | 12 | 7 | - | 1 |
| You would | 2/25- | | | | | | | | | |
| be able to | 3/1/2021 | | | | | | | | | |
| pay an | (N=1,434) | 42 | 23 | 19 | 22 | 36 | 18 | 18 | * | * |
| unexpected | 3/26- | | | | | | | | | |
| bill of | 29/2020 | | | | | | | | | |
| \$1000 | (N=1,057) | 36 | 20 | 16 | 25 | 39 | 14 | 26 | - | * |
| | 6/13- | | | | | | | | | |
| | 17/2019 | | | | | | | | | |
| | (N=1,116) | 40 | 23 | 17 | 22 | 37 | 15 | 22 | * | 1 |
| | 1/16- | | | | | | | | | |
| | 20/2019 | | | | | | | | | |
| | (N=1,062) | 41 | 23 | 18 | 20 | 39 | 18 | 21 | * | * |

| AP-NORC | | Extremely/ Very confident NET | Extremely confident | Very confident | Somewhat confident | Not very/Not at all confident NET | Not very confident | Not at all | DK | SKP/ REF |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|---------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---|--------------------|------------|----|-------------|
| You would be able to pay an | 2/25- 3/1/2021 (N=1,434) | 28 | 11 | 17 | 29 | 43 | 23 | 19 | * | * |
| unexpected medical expense | 3/26- 29/2020 (N=1,057) | 24 | 8 | 16 | 31 | 45 | 21 | 24 | 1 | * |
| | 1/16- 20/2019 (N=1,062) | 23 | 8 | 14 | 34 | 43 | 22 | 21 | * | * |

VIRUS4. How would you rate each of the following in your local community during the coronavirus pandemic?

[GRID ITEMS RANDOMIZED; HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

| AD MODG | Varia sa ad / | Mari | | Neither good | Poor/ | | Marin. | | CKD/ |
|--|---------------|------|------|-----------------|-------|------|--------|----|-------------|
| AP-NORC | Very good/ | Very | Cood | nor | very | Door | Very | DK | SKP/ REF |
| 2/25-3/1/2021 | good | good | Good | poor | poor | Poor | poor | DK | KEF |
| Access to COVID-19 testing | 56 | 14 | 42 | 25 | 18 | 12 | 6 | 1 | 1 |
| Access to COVID-19 health care | 42 | 6 | 37 | 39 | 17 | 12 | 5 | 1 | 1 |
| Communication from public and | | | | | | | | | |
| health officials about the COVID-19 | | | | | | | | | |
| response | 45 | 9 | 37 | 36 | 18 | 12 | 6 | * | 1 |
| Efforts by people living in the | | | | | | | | | |
| community to reduce the spread of | | | | | | | | | |
| COVID-19 | 44 | 6 | 38 | 30 | 25 | 17 | 8 | * | 1 |
| Handling of COVID-19 by K-12 schools | 31 | 5 | 26 | 37 | 31 | 20 | 12 | 1 | 1 |
| Communication from public health | | | | | | | | | |
| officials about the safety and | | | | | | | | | |
| effectiveness of COVID-19 vaccines | 46 | 10 | 36 | 34 | 20 | 13 | 7 | * | 1 |
| The sign-up process for getting COVID- | | | | | | | | | |
| 19 vaccines | 25 | 5 | 20 | 37 | 37 | 24 | 13 | * | 1 |

VIRUS9. Because of the coronavirus pandemic, have you been doing each of the following, or not?

[GRID ITEMS RANDOMIZED]

| AP-NORC | | Yes | No | DK | SKP/ REF |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----|----|----|----------|
| Spending less than usual | 2/25-3/1/2021 (<i>N=1,434</i>) | 56 | 44 | ı | 1 |
| | 8/17-19/2020 (<i>N=1,075</i>) | 66 | 34 | * | * |
| Paying down debt faster than usual | 2/25-3/1/2021 (<i>N=1,434</i>) | 29 | 70 | * | 1 |
| | 8/17-19/2020 (N=1,075) | 26 | 72 | 1 | 1 |
| Saving more money than usual | 2/25-3/1/2021 (<i>N=1,434</i>) | 42 | 57 | ı | * |
| | 8/17-19/2020 (N=1,075) | 45 | 53 | * | 1 |

VIRUS11. At any point since March 2020, have you or has someone in your household experienced each of the following because of the coronavirus pandemic, or not? ¹

[GRID ITEMS RANDOMIZED]

| | | | | | SKP/ |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----|----|----|------|
| AP-NORC | | Yes | No | DK | REF |
| Been laid off | 2/25-3/1/2021 | | | | |
| | (N=1,434) | 25 | 75 | - | 1 |
| | 6/11-15/2020 | | | | |
| | N=1,310 | 24 | 75 | * | 1 |
| | 5/14-18/2020 | | | | |
| | N=1,056 | 26 | 71 | * | 2 |
| | 4/16-20/2020 | | | | |
| | N=1,057 | 25 | 74 | - | 1 |
| Been scheduled for fewer hours | 2/25-3/1/2021 | | | | |
| | (N=1,434) | 31 | 68 | * | 1 |
| | 6/11-15/2020 | | | | |
| | (N=1,310) | 32 | 66 | * | 1 |
| | 5/14-18/2020 | | | | |
| | (N=1,056) | 37 | 61 | - | 2 |
| | 4/16-20/2020 | | | | |
| | (N=1,057) | 31 | 68 | - | 1 |

¹ In 2020, question read: Have you or has someone in your household experienced each of the following because of the coronavirus outbreak?

| | | | | | SKP/ |
|--------------------------|---------------|-----|----|----|------|
| AP-NORC | | Yes | No | DK | REF |
| Taken unpaid time off | 2/25-3/1/2021 | | | | |
| | (N=1,434) | 20 | 79 | - | 1 |
| | 6/11-15/2020 | | | | |
| | (N=1,310) | 21 | 77 | * | 1 |
| | 5/14-18/2020 | | | | |
| | (N=1,056) | 22 | 75 | - | 2 |
| | 4/16-20/2020 | | | | |
| | (N=1,057) | 20 | 79 | - | 1 |
| Had your wages or salary | 2/25-3/1/2021 | | | | |
| reduced | (N=1,434) | 23 | 76 | * | 1 |
| | 6/11-15/2020 | | | | |
| | (N=1,310) | 27 | 72 | * | 1 |
| | 5/14-18/2020 | | | | |
| | (N=1,056) | 29 | 69 | * | 2 |
| | 4/16-20/2020 | | | | |
| | (N=1,057) | 24 | 75 | * | 1 |
| | 2/25-3/1/2021 | | | | |
| Quit a job | (N=1,434) | 14 | 85 | * | 1 |

If any "yes" response in VIRUS11

VIRUS12. And would you say that change/those changes to your household's job situation is having a major impact, minor impact or no impact on the current financial situation in your household?

| | AP-NORC |
|--------------|---------------|
| | 2/25-3/1/2021 |
| Major impact | 34 |
| Minor impact | 52 |
| No impact | 13 |
| DK | - |
| SKP/REF | * |
| A.1 | 720 |

N= 728

If major or minor impact in VIRUS12

VIRUS13. How long do you expect it will take for your household to recover financially?

| | AP-NORC |
|-----------------------------|---------------|
| | 2/25-3/1/2021 |
| Less than 6 months | 24 |
| Between 6 months and a year | 38 |
| More than a year | 37 |
| DK | * |
| SKP/REF | * |
| N= | 635 |

VIRUS14. Is your current household income higher, lower or about the same as it was on March 1,

2020?

| | AP-NORC 2/25-3/1/2021 |
|----------------|--------------------------|
| Higher | 16 |
| Lower | 30 |
| About the same | 53 |
| DK | - |
| SKP/REF | * |

N= 1,434

VIRUS15. Since March 1, 2020 have you personally:

| AP-NORC 2/25-3/1/2021 | Yes | No | DK | SKP/REF |
|---------------------------------|-----|----|----|---------|
| Started a new job | 15 | 85 | - | 1 |
| Changed the type of work you do | 12 | 87 | - | 1 |

VIRUS16. Have you experienced each of the following <u>in the last month</u> because of the coronavirus pandemic, or not?²

[GRID ITEMS RANDOMIZED]

| AP-NORC | | Have | Have not | | SKP |
|-----------------------|---------------|------------------|------------------|----|------|
| 2/25-3/1/2021 | | experienced this | experienced this | DK | /REF |
| Been unable to pay a | 2/25-3/1/2021 | | | | |
| credit card bill | (N=1,434) | 13 | 86 | * | 1 |
| | 05/14-18/2020 | | | | |
| | N=1,056 | 15 | 83 | 1 | 1 |
| | 04/16-20/2020 | | | | |
| | N=1,057 | 11 | 88 | 1 | 1 |
| Been unable to make a | 2/25-3/1/2021 | | | | |
| rent or mortgage | (N=1,434) | 11 | 88 | - | * |
| payment | 05/14-18/2020 | | | | |
| | N=1,056 | 15 | 84 | 1 | 1 |
| | 04/16-20/2020 | | | | |
| | N=1,057 | 11 | 89 | ı | 1 |
| Been unable to pay | 2/25-3/1/2021 | | | | |
| another type of bill | (N=1,434) | 21 | 79 | 1 | * |
| | 05/14-18/2020 | | | | |
| | N=1,056 | 21 | 78 | 1 | 1 |
| | 04/16-20/2020 | | | | |
| | N=1,057 | 19 | 81 | - | 1 |
| Received unemployment | 2/25-3/1/2021 | | | | |
| benefits | (N=1,434) | 17 | 83 | - | * |

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² Have you experienced each of the following because of the coronavirus outbreak, or not?

APVAX7. How easy or difficult is it for you to...

[GRID ITEMS RANDOMIZED; HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

| | Very/ | | | Neither | Very/ | | | | |
|---------------------|----------|------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----|------|
| AP-NORC | somewhat | Very | Somewhat | easy nor | somewhat | Somewhat | Very | | SKP/ |
| 2/25-3/1/2021 | easy | easy | easy | difficult | difficult | difficult | difficult | DK | REF |
| Find factual | | | | | | | | | |
| information about | | | | | | | | | |
| the COVID-19 | | | | | | | | | |
| vaccines | 51 | 23 | 28 | 24 | 25 | 16 | 9 | * | * |
| Know if information | | | | | | | | | |
| about the COVID-19 | | | | | | | | | |
| vaccines is true or | | | | | | | | | |
| not | 46 | 20 | 26 | 24 | 30 | 21 | 9 | * | 1 |
| Understand the | | | | | | | | | |
| difference between | | | | | | | | | |
| fact and opinion | | | | | | | | | |
| about the COVID-19 | | | | | | | | | |
| vaccines | 53 | 23 | 31 | 22 | 24 | 16 | 8 | - | 1 |

N= 1,434

APVAX8. How important is it to you that the coronavirus vaccines:

[GRID ITEMS RANDOMIZED]

| | Extremely/ | | | | Not at all/not | | | | SKP |
|---|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------|-----------|------------|----|-----|
| AP-NORC | very | Extremely | Very | Somewhat | very | Not very | Not at all | | / |
| 2/25-3/1/2021 | important | important | important | important | important | important | important | DK | REF |
| Were being properly tested for safety and | | | | | | | | | |
| effectiveness | 82 | 58 | 24 | 11 | 5 | 2 | 2 | * | 1 |
| Are being distributed | | | | | | | | | |
| fairly | 70 | 39 | 31 | 20 | 9 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 1 |
| Are being distributed quickly and safely | 76 | 44 | 32 | 16 | 7 | 3 | 4 | * | 1 |
| Are being given first to people who need | | | | | | | | | |
| it the most | 79 | 47 | 31 | 14 | 6 | 2 | 4 | * | 1 |

APVAX9. How confident are you that the coronavirus vaccines:

[GRID ITEMS RANDOMIZED]

| | Extremely/ | | | | Not at all/not | | | | SKP |
|-----------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------|-----------|------------|----|-----|
| AP-NORC | very | Extremely | Very | Somewhat | very | Not very | Not at all | | / |
| 2/25-3/1/2021 | confident | confident | confident | confident | confident | confident | confident | DK | REF |
| Were being properly | | | | | | | | | |
| tested for safety and | | | | | | | | | |
| effectiveness | 39 | 14 | 25 | 35 | 25 | 15 | 10 | * | 1 |
| Are being distributed | | | | | | | | | |
| fairly | 25 | 8 | 17 | 43 | 31 | 23 | 8 | * | 1 |
| Are being distributed | | | | | | | | | |
| quickly and safely | 28 | 9 | 19 | 47 | 24 | 18 | 7 | * | 1 |
| Are being given first | | | | | | | | | |
| to people who need | | | | | | | | | |
| it the most | 36 | 11 | 25 | 40 | 23 | 16 | 7 | * | 1 |

N= 1,434

RELIG. What is your present religion, if any?

| | AP-NORC |
|--|---------------|
| | 2/25-3/1/2021 |
| Protestant (Baptist, Methodist, Non- | |
| denominational, Lutheran, Presbyterian, | |
| Pentecostal, Episcopalian, Reformed, Church of | |
| Christ, Jehovah's Witness, etc.) | 27 |
| Roman Catholic (Catholic) | 20 |
| Mormon (Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter-day | 2 |
| Saints/LDS) | |
| Orthodox (Greek, Russian, or some other | * |
| orthodox church) | |
| Jewish (Judaism) | 2 |
| Muslim (Islam) | 1 |
| Buddhist | 1 |
| Hindu | * |
| Atheist (do not believe in God) | 5 |
| Agnostic (not sure if there is a God) | 4 |
| Nothing in particular | 16 |
| Just Christian | 17 |
| Unitarian (Universalist) | * |
| Something else –please specify: | 5 |

BORN. Would you describe yourself as a 'born-again' or evangelical Christian, or not?

| | AP-NORC |
|--------------|---------------|
| | 2/25-3/1/2021 |
| Yes | 33 |
| No | 67 |
| DON'T KNOW | - |
| SKIP/REFUSED | 1 |
| N- | 1 026 |

N= 1,036

PID1. Do you consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, an Independent or none of these?

If Democrat:

PIDA. Do you consider yourself a strong or not so strong Democrat? *If Republican:*

PIDB. Do you consider yourself a strong or not so strong Republican? If independent, none of these, don't know, skipped, or refused:

PIDI. Do you lean more toward the Democrats or the Republicans?

Combines PID1, PIDI, PIDA, and PIDB.

| | AP-NORC |
|-------------------------------|---------------|
| | 2/25-3/1/2021 |
| Democrat NET | 44 |
| Strong Democrat | 19 |
| Not so strong Democrat | 14 |
| Lean Democrat | 11 |
| Independent/None – Don't lean | 17 |
| Republican NET | 39 |
| Lean Republican | 11 |
| Not so strong Republican | 13 |
| Strong Republican | 15 |

D3. Generally speaking, do you consider yourself to be a liberal, moderate, or conservative? *If liberal*:

D4. Do you consider yourself very liberal or somewhat liberal? *If conservative:*

D5. Do you consider yourself very conservative or somewhat conservative?

Combines D3, D4, D5:

| | AP-NORC |
|------------------------|---------------|
| | 2/25-3/1/2021 |
| Liberal NET | 21 |
| Very liberal | 10 |
| Somewhat liberal | 11 |
| Moderate | 47 |
| Conservative NET | 30 |
| Somewhat conservative | 18 |
| Very conservative | 12 |
| DON'T KNOW | * |
| SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED | * |
| · | · |

N= 1,434

DM5. How would you describe the community you live in now?

| | AP-NORC |
|------------------------|---------------|
| | 2/25-3/1/2021 |
| Urban | 22 |
| Suburban | 50 |
| Rural | 26 |
| DON'T KNOW | * |
| SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED | 1 |
| | |

N= 1,434

VAX3. Have you received a COVID-19 vaccine?

| | AP-NORC | AP-NORC |
|------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | 2/25-3/1/2021 | 1/28-2/1/2021 |
| Yes | 22 | 13 |
| No | 77 | 86 |
| DON'T KNOW | - | - |
| SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED | 1 | * |
| | | |

N= 1,434 1,055

If Yes in VAX3

VAX4. How many COVID-19 vaccination doses have you received?

| | AP-NORC | AP-NORC |
|------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | 2/25-3/1/2021 | 1/28-2/1/2021 |
| One | 44 | 72 |
| Two | 53 | 22 |
| More than two | 2 | 5 |
| Don't know | * | * |
| SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED | - | - |
| N= | 313 | 138 |

If Yes in VAX3

VAX5. During what month and year did you receive your first COVID-19 vaccination?

| | AP-NORC | AP-NORC |
|------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | 2/25-3/1/2021 | 1/28-2/1/2021 |
| Before December 2020 | 1 | 10 |
| December 2020 | 8 | 15 |
| January 2021 | 37 | 76 |
| February 2021 | 54 | NA |
| DON'T KNOW | - | - |
| SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED | 1 | - |
| N= | 313 | 138 |

N= 313 138

If One or Don't know in VAX4

VAX6. Did you receive (or do you plan to receive) all required doses?

| | AP-NORC | AP-NORC |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| | 2/25-3/1/2021 | 1/28-2/1/2021 |
| Yes, received all required doses | 13 | 7 |
| Yes, plan to receive all required doses | 86 | 92 |
| No, don't plan to receive all required doses | 1 | 1 |
| DON'T KNOW | - | - |
| SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED | - | - |

N= 140 104

If No in VAX3
VAX7. Once a vaccine to prevent COVID-19 is available to you, would you...

| | AP-NORC | AP-NORC |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| | 2/25-3/1/2021 | 1/28-2/1/2021 |
| Definitely/Probably get a vaccine NET | 61 | 62 |
| Definitely get a vaccine | 38 | 40 |
| Probably get a vaccine | 22 | 22 |
| Definitely/Probably not get a vaccine NET | 39 | 37 |
| Probably <u>not</u> get a vaccine | 20 | 20 |
| Definitely <u>not</u> get a vaccine | 20 | 17 |
| DON'T KNOW | * | * |
| SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED | * | * |
| N= | 1,103 | 914 |

If Probably get a vaccine, Probably not get a vaccine, or Definitely not get a vaccine in VAX7 VAX8. Which of the following, if any, are reasons that you only probably will get a COVID-19 vaccine/probably won't get a COVID-19 vaccine/definitely won't get a COVID-19 vaccine?

If No, don't plan to receive all required doses in VAX6

VAX8. Which of the following, if any, are reasons that you won't receive all required doses of the COVID-19 vaccine?

[GRID ITEMS RANDOMIZED]

| | AP-NORC | AP-NORC |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| | 2/25-3/1/2021 | 1/28-2/1/2021 |
| I am concerned about possible side effects of a COVID-19 vaccine | 57 | 60 |
| I am concerned about having an allergic reaction to COVID-19 vaccine | 28 | 29 |
| I don't know if a COVID-19 vaccine will work | 30 | 30 |
| I don't believe I need a COVID-19 vaccine | 23 | 21 |
| I don't like needles | 12 | 48 |
| I plan to wait and see if it is safe and may get it later | 48 | 35 |
| I think other people need it more than I do right now | 27 | 10 |
| I don't trust COVID-19 vaccines | 45 | 38 |
| I don't think COVID-19 is that big of a threat | 16 | NA |
| There are obstacles that prevent me from getting a vaccine | 7 | NA |
| Other people in my community are choosing not to get vaccinated | 7 | NA |
| IF VAX6=3, N=681 | - | NA |
| I believe one dose is good enough to protect me | | |
| IF VAX6=3, N=681 | 100 | NA |
| I experienced side effects from the dose of COVID-19 vaccine I received | | |
| Other (please specify): | | 7 |
| DON'T KNOW | * | - |
| SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED | 1 | - |
| N= | 681 | 515 |

If selected I don't believe I need a COVID-19 vaccine in VAX8 VAX9. Why do you believe that you don't need a COVID-19 vaccine?

[GRID ITEMS RANDOMIZED]

| | 1 |
|--|---------------|
| | AP-NORC |
| | 2/25-3/1/2021 |
| I already had COVID-19 | 14 |
| I am not a member of the groups currently recommended to | |
| get the COVID-19 vaccine | 14 |
| I do not spend time with any high-risk people | 23 |
| I am not a member of a high-risk group | 36 |
| I plan to use masks or other precautions instead | 22 |
| I don't believe COVID-19 is a serious illness | 43 |
| I don't think vaccines are beneficial | 32 |
| I think my immune system is strong enough | 52 |
| COVID-19 is not a problem in my community | 8 |
| Other (please specify): | 10 |
| DON'T KNOW | - |
| SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED | 2 |
| Al | 1 20 |

N= 1,39

AGE

| | AP-NORC |
|-------|---------------|
| | 2/25-3/1/2021 |
| 18-29 | 21 |
| 30-39 | 17 |
| 40-59 | 32 |
| 60-64 | 8 |
| 65 + | 22 |
| N= | 1,434 |

GENDER

| | AP-NORC 2/25-3/1/2021 |
|--------|--------------------------|
| Male | 48 |
| Female | 52 |
| Λ/_ | 1 121 |

RACE/ETHNICITY

| | AP-NORC |
|---------------------------|---------------|
| | 2/25-3/1/2021 |
| White | 63 |
| Black or African American | 12 |
| Hispanic | 17 |
| Other | 9 |
| N= | 1,434 |

MARITAL STATUS

| | AP-NORC |
|-------------|---------------|
| | 2/25-3/1/2021 |
| Married | 56 |
| Not married | 44 |
| N= | 1,434 |

EDUCATION

| | AP-NORC |
|------------------------------------|---------------|
| | 2/25-3/1/2021 |
| Less than a high school diploma | 10 |
| High school graduate or equivalent | 28 |
| Some college | 28 |
| College graduate or above | 20 |
| Post grad study/professional | |
| degree | 15 |
| N= | 1,434 |

INCOME

| | AP-NORC 2/25-3/1/2021 |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Under \$10,000 | 5 |
| \$10,000 to under \$20,000 | 9 |
| \$20,000 to under \$30,000 | 11 |
| \$30,000 to under \$40,000 | 8 |
| \$40,000 to under \$50,000 | 9 |
| \$50,000 to under \$75,000 | 22 |
| \$75,000 to under \$100,000 | 14 |
| \$100,000 to under \$150,000 | 13 |
| \$150,000 or more | 9 |
| A.I. | 1 121 |

Study Methodology

This survey was conducted by The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research and with funding from The Associated Press and NORC at the University of Chicago.

Data were collected using the AmeriSpeak Omnibus®, a monthly multi-client survey using NORC's probability-based panel designed to be representative of the U.S. household population. The survey was part of a larger study that included questions about other topics not included in this report. During the initial recruitment phase of the panel, randomly selected U.S. households were sampled with a known, non-zero probability of selection from the NORC National Sample Frame and then contacted by U.S. mail, email, telephone, and field interviewers (face-to-face). The panel provides sample coverage of approximately 97 percent of the U.S. household population. Those excluded from the sample include people with P.O. Box only addresses, some addresses not listed in the USPS Delivery Sequence File, and some newly constructed dwellings.

Interviews for this survey were conducted between February 25th and March 1st, 2021, with adults age 18 and over representing the 50 states and the District of Columbia. Panel members were randomly drawn from AmeriSpeak, and 1,434 completed the survey—1,352 via the web and 82 via telephone. Interviews were conducted in both English and Spanish, depending on respondent preference. The final stage completion rate is 18.7 percent, the weighted household panel response rate is 19.5 percent, and the weighted household panel retention rate is 75.0 percent, for a cumulative response rate of 2.7 percent. The overall margin of sampling error is +/-3.4 percentage points at the 95 percent confidence level, including the design effect. The margin of sampling error may be higher for subgroups.

In addition, Black and Hispanic respondents were sampled at a higher rate than their proportion of the population for reasons of analysis. The overall margin of sampling error for the 304 completed interviews with Black respondents is +/- 2.9 percentage points at the 95 percent confidence level including the design effect. The overall margin of sampling error for the 358 completed interviews with Hispanic respondents is +/- 3.8 percentage points.

Once the sample has been selected and fielded, and all the study data have been collected and made final, a poststratification process is used to adjust for any survey nonresponse as well as any noncoverage or under and oversampling resulting from the study specific sample design. Poststratification variables included age, gender, census division, race/ethnicity, and education. Weighting variables were obtained from the 2020 Current Population Survey. The weighted data reflect the U.S. population of adults age 18 and over.

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