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# The March 2021 AP-NORC Center Poll

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Interviews: 3/26-29/2021 1,166 adults Margin of sampling error: +/- 3.6 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...

				SKIPPED
AP-NORC			DON'T	ON WEB/
All adults	<b>Right direction</b>	Wrong direction	KNOW	REFUSED
3/25-29/2021 (N= 1,166)	50	50	*	*
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 ( <i>N</i> =1,117)	37	62	1	1
10/8-12/2020 ( <i>N</i> =1,121)	25	74	1	1
9/11-14/2020 ( <i>N</i> = 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 ( <i>N=1,310</i> )	24	74	1	1
5/14-18/2020 ( <i>N=1,056</i> )	33	65	1	1
4/16-20/2020 ( <i>N=1,057</i> )	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 ( <i>N=1,353</i> )	38	62	*	*
12/5-9/2019 ( <i>N=1,053</i> )	36	63	*	*
10/24-28/2019 ( <i>N=1,075</i> )	39	60	1	1
9/20-23/2019 ( <i>N=1,286</i> )	38	60	1	1
8/15-18/2019 ( <i>N=1,059</i> )	33	66	*	1
6/13-17/2019 ( <i>N=1,116</i> )	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 ( <i>N=1,063</i> )	35	63	*	1
1/16-20/2019 ( <i>N=1,062</i> )	28	70	1	*
12/13-16/2018 (N=1,067)	39	59	*	1
10/11-14/2018 ( <i>N=1,152</i> )	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 ( <i>N=1,140</i> )	39	60	*	*
3/14-19/2018 (N=1,222)	37	62	1	1
2/15-19/2018 ( <i>N=1,337</i> )	32	68	*	*
12/7-11/2017 ( <i>N</i> =1,020)	30	69	1	*
9/28-10/2/2017 ( <i>N=1,150</i> )	24	74	1	*
6/8-11/2017 ( <i>N=1,068</i> )	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?

					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
3/25-29/2021											
(N= 1,166)	61	31	29	*	*	38	*	13	25	-	1
2/25-3/1/2021	60	32	28	*	*	40	*	15	24	*	*
(N=1,434)	60	52	20	-	-	40	-	15	24	-	-
1/28-2/1/2021 (N=1,055)	61	35	26	*	1	38	*	11	26	*	*

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

AP-NORC		Approve	Disapprove	DK	SKP/REF
The economy	3/25-29/2021				
	(N= 1,166)	60	39	*	1
	2/25-3/1/2021				
	(N=1,434)	55	44	*	1
The coronavirus pandemic	3/25-29/2021				
	(N= 1,166)	73	26	*	1
	2/25-3/1/2021				
	(N=1,434)	70	29	*	1
Health care	3/25-29/2021				
	(N= 1,166)	62	36	*	1
	2/25-3/1/2021				
	(N=1,434)	58	41	*	1
	3/25-29/2021				
Immigration	(N= 1,166)	42	56	*	2
	3/25-29/2021				
Foreign policy	(N= 1,166)	55	43	*	1
	3/25-29/2021				
Border security	(N= 1,166)	44	55	1	1
	3/25-29/2021				
The federal budget deficit	(N= 1,166)	48	50	1	2
	3/25-29/2021				
Gun Policy	(N= 1,166)	45	52	*	2

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

## 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?

	Very/ Somewhat/		Some-	Lean	Neither good	Very/ Somewhat/	Lean	Some-			
AP-NORC	Lean toward	Very	what	toward	nor	Lean toward	toward	what	Very		SKP
All adults	good NET	, good	good	good	poor	poor NET	poor	poor	, poor	DK	/REF
3/25-29/2021	-				-			-			
(N= 1,166)	46	2	25	19	*	54	16	27	11	-	-
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 ( <i>N=1,075</i> )	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

# FP2. How personally concerned are you that each of the following poses a direct threat to the United States?

AP-NORC		Extremely / Very concerned NET	Extremely concern - ed	Very concern- ed	Moderat- ely concern- ed	Not very/ Not concern- ed at all NET	Not very concern- ed	Not concern- ed at all	DK	SKP/ REF
North Korea's	03/25- 29/2021									
nuclear	N=1,166	46	19	27	36	17	13	5	*	1
program	01/16- 21/2020								*	
	N= 1,353	53	25	27	30	17	12	5	*	*
	1/16- 20/2019 N=1,062	52	23	29	32	15	10	5	*	*
Iran's nuclear program	03/25- 29/2021 N=1,166	47	18	29	36	16	13	4	*	1
program	01/16-	47	10	29	30	10	15	4		
	21/2020 N=1,353	56	28	28	28	15	11	4	*	*
	1/16- 20/2019 N=1,062	48	21	27	33	18	11	7	_	1
Extremist militant groups	03/25- 29/2021 N=1,166	58	29	29	26	16	12	4	*	*
8.0000	01/16- 21/2020 N=1,353	59	29	30	28	13	9	4	*	*
	1/16- 20/2019 N=1,062	55	24	31	29	15	10	5	1	*
Russia's influence around	03/25- 29/2021 N=1,166	44	16	28	38	17	13	5	*	*
the world	01/16- 21/2020 N=1,353	50	23	27	31	19	15	4	*	*
	N=1,333 1/16- 20/2019 N=1,062	47	23	27	33	19	13	5	*	*

		Extremely/ Very concerned NET	Extremely concern - ed	Very concern -ed	Moderat- ely concern- ed	Not very/ Not concern- ed at all NET	Not very concern - ed	Not concern- ed at all	DK	SKP / REF
China's influence around	03/25- 29/2021 N=1,166	54	27	28	31	13	10	3	*	1
the world	01/16- 21/2020 N=1,353	48	21	28	35	16	12	3	*	*
	1/16- 20/2019 N=1,062	40	15	26	39	19	15	4	*	1
The spread of infect-	03/25- 29/2021 N=1,166	58	27	31	29	11	9	2	*	1
ious diseases	1/16- 21/2020 N-1,353	54	22	32	31	14	11	3	*	*
	1/16- 20/2019 N=1,062	45	17	28	33	21	17	4	_	1
Climate change	03/25- 29/2021 N=1,166	50	26	24	25	24	17	7	*	1
	01/16- 21/2020 N=1,353	56	34	22	22	20	12	8	*	1
	1/16- 20/2019 N=1,062	52	29	23	25	21	14	8	1	1
Illegal immigrat -ion	03/25- 29/2021 N=1,166	45	24	21	27	26	20	7	*	1
	01/16- 21/2020 N=1,353	43	22	21	24	32	22	10	*	1
	1/16- 20/2019 N=1,062	40	20	20	27	33	23	9	-	*

# VIRUS2. How worried are you about you or someone in your family being infected with...

AP-NORC		Extremely /Very worried NET	Extremely worried	Very worried	Some- what worried	Not too/Not at all worried NET	Not too worried	Not at all worried	DK	SKP/ REF
The	3/25-29/2021		Worried	wonned	Wonneu		wonned	wonned	DR	
coronavirus	(N= 1,166)	35	17	18	34	32	24	7	-	-
	2/25-3/1/2021 (N=1,434)	31	16	15	36	33	24	9	-	*
	1/28-2/1/2021 ( <i>N=1,055</i> )	43	22	20	30	27	19	8	-	*
	12/3-7/2020 (N=1,117)	43	22	21	34	23	16	8	-	*
	10/8-12/2020 ( <i>N=1,121</i> )	42	22	19	32	26	18	8	-	*
	9/11-14/2020 ( <i>N</i> = 1,108)	38	19	19	31	31	22	9	-	*
	8/17-19/2020 (N=1,075)	42	20	22	31	26	17	9	*	*
	7/16-20/2020 (N=1,057)	49	25	24	31	19	11	8	*	*
	6/11-15/2020 (N=1,310)	32	16	16	35	32	22	9	-	1
	5/14-18/2020 (N=1,056)	42	21	21	31	25	18	7	*	1
	4/16-20/2020 (N=1,057)	43	23	20	35	22	17	5	*	-
	03/26-29/2020 ( <i>N=1,057</i> )	50	28	22	34	16	13	3	-	*
	03/12-16/2020 ( <i>N=1,003</i> )	31	14	17	35	33	23	10	*	1
	2/13-16/2020 (N=1,074)	22	11	11	23	55	37	19	-	*
The flu	3/25-29/2021 (N= 1,166)	13	6	8	27	59	42	18	-	-
	2/25-3/1/2021 (N=1,434)	12	5	7	29	59	39	20	-	*
	1/28-2/1/2021 ( <i>N=1,055</i> )	14	6	7	29	58	40	17	-	*
	12/3-7/2020 (N=1,117)	17	8	9	31	52	39	13	-	-
	10/8-12/2020 (N=1,121)	20	9	10	34	47	33	14	*	*

		Extremely /Very worried NET	Extremely worried	Very worried	Some- what worried	Not too/Not at all worried NET	Not too worried	Not at all worried	DK	SKP/ REF
The flu	9/11-14/2020 (N = 1,108)	21	8	12	33	46	32	14	-	*
	8/17-19/2020 (N=1,075)	16	7	9	31	52	37	15	-	1
	7/16-20/2020 (N=1,057)	19	9	10	34	47	33	15	-	*
	6/11-15/2020 (N=1,310)	15	7	9	27	56	41	16	-	1
	5/14-18/2020 (N=1,056)	17	7	10	28	54	38	15	-	1
	4/16-20/2020 (N=1,057)	22	10	13	30	47	35	12	-	*
	3/26-29/2020 (N=1,057)	22	11	12	35	43	34	8	-	*
	3/12-16/2020 (N=1,003)	15	6	9	33	50	37	13	-	1
	2/13-16/2020 (N=1,074)	23	10	14	40	37	29	7	-	*

# VAX3. Have you received a COVID-19 vaccine?

	AP-NORC	AP-NORC	AP-NORC
	3/25-29/2021	2/25-3/1/2021	1/28-2/1/2021
Yes	41	22	13
No	59	77	86
DON'T KNOW	-	-	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*	1	*
N=	1,166	1,434	1,055

#### If No or Don't know in VAX3

VAX7. Once a vaccine to prevent COVID-19 is available to you, would you...

	AP-NORC	AP-NORC	AP-NORC
	3/25-29/2021	2/25-3/1/2021	1/28-2/1/2021
Definitely/Probably get a vaccine NET	57	61	62
Definitely get a vaccine	30	38	40
Probably get a vaccine	27	22	22
Definitely/Probably not get a vaccine NET	43	39	37
Probably <u>not</u> get a vaccine	23	20	20
Definitely <u>not</u> get a vaccine	20	20	17
DON'T KNOW	-	*	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*	*	*
N=	637	1,103	914

STIM1. How much have you heard or read about the coronavirus and economic relief package recently passed by Congress and signed into law?

	AP-NORC
	3/25-29/2021
A lot/Some NET	80
A lot	35
Some	45
Only a little/Nothing at all NET	20
Only a little	16
Nothing at all	3
DON'T KNOW	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	-
N=	1,166

STIM2. Do you approve, disapprove, or neither approve nor disapprove of the coronavirus and economic relief law?

	AP-NORC
	3/25-29/2021
Strongly/Somewhat approve NET	54
Strongly approve	26
Somewhat approve	28
Neither approve nor disapprove	21
Somewhat/Strongly disapprove NET	25
Somewhat disapprove	15
Strongly disapprove	11
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*
N=	1,166

# STIM3. Do you approve, disapprove, or neither approve nor disapprove the following provisions of the coronavirus and economic relief law?

	Strongly/ Somewhat			Neither approve	Somewhat/ Strongly				
AP-NORC	approve	Strongly	Somewhat	nor	disapprove	Somewhat	Strongly		SKP/
3/25-29/2021	NET	approve	approve	disapprove	NET	disapprove	disapprove	DK	REF
Sending \$1,400	70	44	25	14	16	10	5	-	1
payments to eligible									
Americans									
Extending	58	33	25	16	25	15	10	-	*
unemployment									
insurance payments of									
\$300 a week until									
September 6th									
Funding for grants and	80	43	37	14	6	4	2	-	*
low-interest loans for									
small businesses									
Funding for vaccine	78	53	25	15	7	4	3	*	*
distribution and testing									
Funding for schools to	76	48	28	14	10	7	3	-	*
reopen safely									
Extending the	61	35	26	21	18	12	6	*	*
moratorium on evictions									
and foreclosures									
Funding for mortgage	66	36	30	20	14	10	3	*	*
and rent assistance									
Expanding child and	64	36	28	22	13	9	4	*	*
earned income tax									
credits									
Funding for state, local,	53	27	26	24	23	13	10	*	*
and tribal territorial									
governments									

N= 1,166

STIM5. Does this law spend too much, too little, or about the right amount of money on coronavirus and economic relief?

	AP-NORC
	3/25-29/2021
Too much	31
Too little	26
Right amount	42
DON'T KNOW	1
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1
N=	1,166

#### [HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

STIM6. Do you think the law does too much, too little, or about the right amount to help the financial situation of each of the following?

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

AP-NORC 3/25-29/2021	Too much	Too little	Right amount	DK	SKP/ REF
5/25 25/2021			Tight amount	BR	
Small businesses	9	48	42	*	1
Low income					
households	10	54	35	*	1
Middle income					
households	18	33	48	*	1
You personally	17	34	48	*	1

N= 1,166

#### STIM7. Did you receive or do you expect to receive a direct payment from the law, or not?

	AP-NORC
	3/25-29/2021
Already received it	50
Expect to receive it	25
Don't expect to receive it	16
Not sure	-
DON'T KNOW	9
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*
N=	1,166

# If already received it or expect to receive it in STIM7

STIM8. Which of these comes closest to how you are planning to use <u>most</u> of this direct payment? Will you...

# [ITEMS RANDOMIZED]

	AP-NORC
	3/25-29/2021
Pay bills	33
Pay down debt	21
Spend it	16
Save it	23
Donate it	1
Give it to friends or family	2
Something else	4
DON'T KNOW	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*
N=	881

# VOTE2. Do you favor, oppose, or neither favor nor oppose your state doing each of the following:

		Strongly/			Neither	Strongly/				
		Somewh			favor	Somewhat				
		at favor	Strongly	Somewhat	nor	oppose	Somewhat	Strongly		SKP
AP-NORC		NET	favor	favor	oppose	NET	oppose	oppose	DK	/REF
Allowing	3/25-									
people to vote	29/2021									
by mail-in	(N= 1,166)	52	35	16	15	33	8	25	*	*
ballot instead										
of in-person										
without										
requiring them	04/16-									
to give a	20/2020									
reason	(N= 1,057)	56	37	19	17	26	11	15	1	*
Allowing										
people to vote										
at polling										
places before										
Election Day										
without										
requiring them	3/25-									
to give a	29/2021									
reason	(N= 1,166)	52	37	15	20	27	10	17	*	*
Sending a mail-										
in ballot to										
every	3/25-									
registered	29/2021									
voter	(N= 1,166)	43	27	16	18	39	9	30	*	*

# VOTE1. Do you favor, oppose or neither favor nor oppose each of the following?

	Strongly/			Neither	Somewhat/				
AP-NORC	Somewhat	Strongly	Somewhat	favor nor	Strongly	Somewhat	Strongly		SKP/
3/25-29/2021	favor	favor	favor	oppose	oppose	oppose	oppose	DK	REF
Requiring all voters to									
provide photo									
identification in order									
to vote	72	53	19	14	13	6	7	*	*
Automatically									
registering adult									
citizens to vote when									
they get drivers									
licenses or other state									
identification	60	39	21	21	19	8	11	*	*
Allowing citizens to									
register and vote on									
the same day at polling									
places	53	34	19	20	27	12	15	*	*
Allowing citizens who									
have completed a									
prison sentence for a									
felony to vote upon									
release	51	28	23	28	20	10	10	*	1

# [GRID ITEMS RANDOMIZED]

## N= 1,166

## VOTE3. How much of a problem is each of the following in U.S. elections?

		Major	Minor	Not a		SKP/
AP-NORC		problem	problem	problem	DK	REF
	3/25-29/2021 (N=1,166)	46	33	20	*	1
People who are eligible	10/08-12/2020 (N=1,121)	44	33	23	*	*
not being allowed to vote	02/13-16/2020 (N = 1,074)	47	31	20	*	1
	3/25-29/2021 (N=1,166)	40	31	28	*	1
People voting who are not	10/08-12/2020 (N=1,121)	31	38	30	*	*
eligible	02/13-16/2020 (N = 1,074)	42	33	25	*	1
States drawing legislative						
districts that intentionally	3/25-29/2021 (N=1,166)	67	26	5	1	1
favor one political party						

VOTE4. Do you favor, oppose, or neither favor nor oppose requiring states to set up independent and nonpartisan commissions to draw legislative districts?

	AP-NORC
	3/25-29/2021
Strongly/Somewhat favor NET	49
Strongly favor	30
Somewhat favor	19
Neither favor nor oppose	42
Somewhat/Strongly oppose NET	8
Somewhat oppose	4
Strongly oppose	3
DON'T KNOW	1
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1
N=	1,166

#### RELIG. What is your present religion, if any?

	AP-NORC
	3/25-29/2021
Protestant	29
Roman Catholic	18
Mormon	1
Orthodox	*
Jewish	2
Muslim	2
Buddhist	1
Hindu	1
Atheist	4
Agnostic	4
Nothing in particular	14
Just Christian	20
Unitarian	*
Something else	4
N=	1,166

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

	AP-NORC
	3/25-29/2021
Yes	35
No	64
DON'T KNOW	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*
N=	851

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
	3/25-29/2021
Democrat NET	45
Strong Democrat	19
Not so strong Democrat	16
Lean Democrat	10
Independent/None – Don't lean	15
Republican NET	40
Lean Republican	12
Not so strong Republican	13
Strong Republican	15
N=	1,166

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 3/25-29/2021
Liberal NET	22
Very liberal	11
Somewhat liberal	11
Moderate	46
Conservative NET	31
Somewhat conservative	18
Very conservative	13
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1
N=	1,166

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

	AP-NORC
	3/25-29/2021
Urban	25
Suburban	47
Rural	28
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1
N=	1,166

AGE

	AP-NORC
	3/25-29/2021
18-29	21
30-39	17
40-59	32
60-64	8
65+	22
N=	1,166

## GENDER

	AP-NORC
	3/25-29/2021
Male	48
Female	52
N=	1,166

# RACE/ETHNICITY

	AP-NORC
	3/25-29/2021
White	63
Black or African American	12
Hispanic	17
Other	9
N=	1,166

### **MARITAL STATUS**

	AP-NORC
	3/25-29/2021
Married	56
Not married	44
N=	1,166

#### EDUCATION

	AP-NORC
	3/25-29/2021
Less than a high school diploma	10
High school graduate or equivalent	28
Some college	28
College graduate or above	21
Post grad study/professional	
degree	14
N=	1,166

## INCOME

	AP-NORC 3/25-29/2021
Under \$10,000	7
\$10,000 to under \$20,000	8
\$20,000 to under \$30,000	12
\$30,000 to under \$40,000	10
\$40,000 to under \$50,000	8
\$50,000 to under \$75,000	18
\$75,000 to under \$100,000	15
\$100,000 to under \$150,000	13
\$150,000 or more	8
N=	1,166

#### **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<sup>®</sup>, 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 March 25th and March 29th, 2021, with adults age 18 and over representing the 50 states and the District of Columbia. Panel members were randomly drawn from AmeriSpeak, and 1,166 completed the survey—1,093 via the web and 73 via telephone. Interviews were conducted in both English and Spanish, depending on respondent preference. The final stage completion rate is 19.8 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 2.9 percent. The overall margin of sampling error is +/-3.6 percentage points at the 95 percent confidence level, including the design effect. The margin of sampling error may be higher for subgroups.

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.

For more information, email <u>info@apnorc.org</u>.

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