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**Many believe poverty and
homelessness are increasing and
feel the government has a
responsibility to address the issues**

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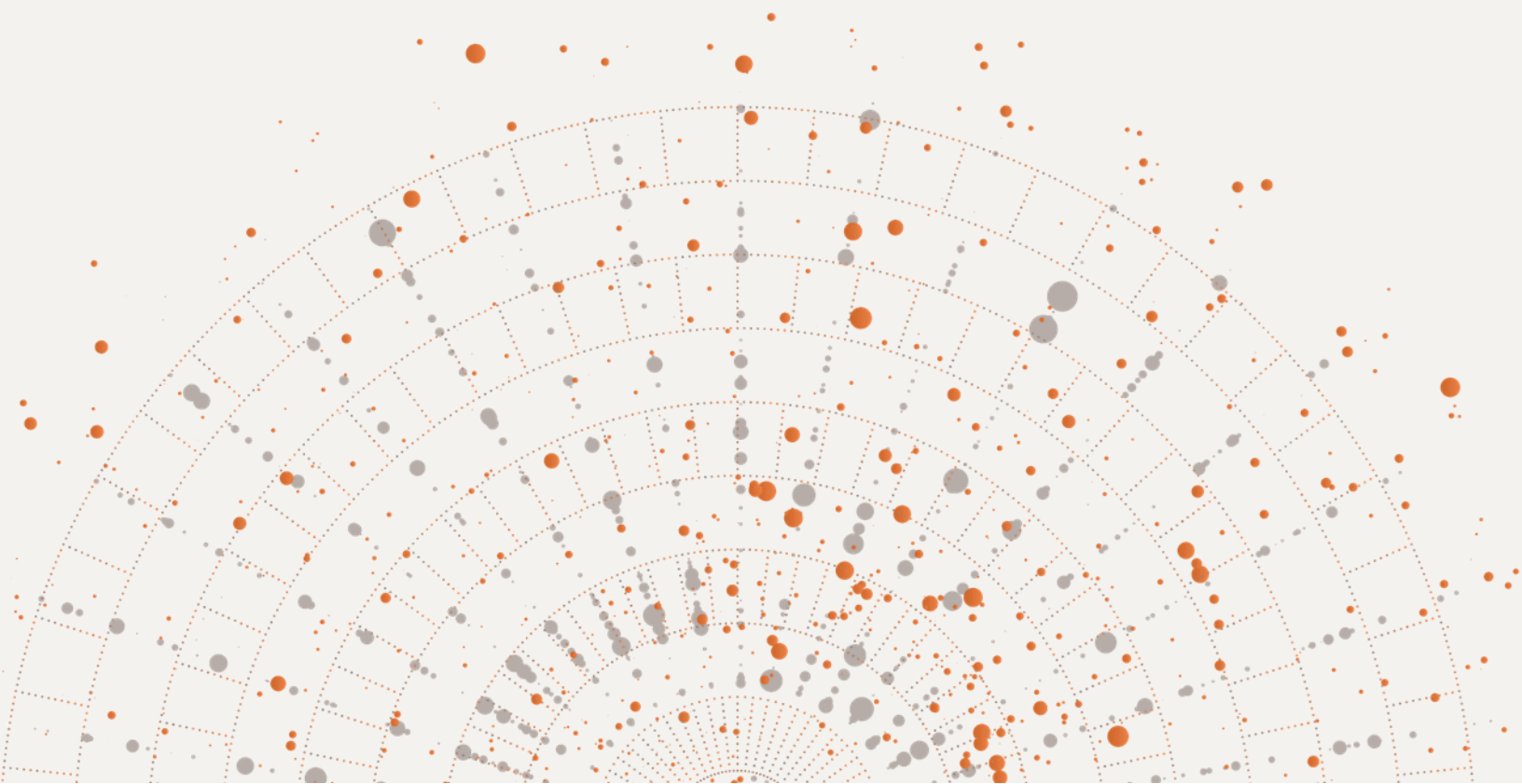


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Study Methodology

This survey was conducted by the University of Chicago Harris School of Public Policy and The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research with funding from the University of Chicago Harris School of Public Policy. Staff from Harris Public Policy and the AP-NORC Center collaborated on all aspects of the study.

Data were collected using the AmeriSpeak Omnibus®, a bi-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 August 21 through August 25, 2025, with adults aged 18 and over representing the 50 states and the District of Columbia. Panel members were randomly drawn from AmeriSpeak, and 1,121 completed the survey — 1,041 via the web and 80 by telephone. Panel members were invited by email or by phone from an NORC telephone interviewer. Interviews were conducted in English. Respondents were offered a small monetary incentive for completing the survey. The final stage completion rate is 15.4 percent, the weighted household panel response rate is 26.3 percent, and the weighted household panel retention rate is 78 percent, for a cumulative response rate of 3.2 percent.

The overall margin of sampling error is +/- 4.0 percentage points at the 95 percent confidence level, including the design effect. The margin of sampling error may be higher for subgroups. For example, the margin of sampling error is 5.8 percentage points for Democrats, 6.3 percentage points for Republicans, and 9.7 percentage points for independents.

Sampling error is only one of many potential sources of error and there may be other unmeasured error in this or any other survey.

Quality assurance checks were conducted to ensure data quality. In total, 72 interviews were removed for nonresponse to at least 50% of the questions asked of them, for completing the survey in less than one-third the median interview time for the full sample, or for straight-lining all grid questions asked of them. These interviews were excluded from the data file prior to weighting.

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, education, and 2024 presidential vote. Weighting variables were obtained from the 2024 Current Population Survey and the final results for 2024 presidential vote turnout and vote choice. The weighted data reflect the U.S. population of adults age 18 and over.

Complete questions and results are available at: www.apnorc.org.

Additional information on the AmeriSpeak Panel methodology is available at:
<https://amerispeak.norc.org/about-amerispeak/Pages/Panel-Design.aspx>.

For more information, email info@apnorc.org.

About the University of Chicago Harris School of Public Policy

One of the largest graduate professional schools at the University of Chicago, Harris Public Policy has been driven by the belief that evidence-based research, not ideology or intuition, is the best guide for public policy. For more than three decades, our exceptional community of scholars, students, and alumni have applied this exacting perspective to the world's most pressing problems using the latest tools of social science. Through our undergraduate and graduate programs, we empower a new generation of data-driven leaders to create a positive social impact throughout our global society.

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The AP-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research taps into the power of social science research and the highest-quality journalism to bring key information to people across the nation and throughout the world.

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www.ap.org
- NORC at the University of Chicago is one of the oldest objective and nonpartisan research institutions in the world. www.norc.org

The two organizations have established The AP-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research to conduct, analyze, and distribute social science research in the public interest on newsworthy topics, and to use the power of journalism to tell the stories that research reveals. Learn more at www.apnorc.org.

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#	Variable	Question	Type	Length	Label
1	SU_ID	N/A	Num	8	SU_ID: CaseID
2	FINALWT	N/A	Num	8	FINALWT: Post-stratification weights - 18+ general population (N=1,121)
3	SURV_MODE	N/A	Num	8	SURV_MODE: Survey interview mode (online or phone)
4	SURV_LANG	N/A	Num	8	SURV_LANG: Survey interview language
5	POVERTY1A	POVERTY1	Num	8	POVERTY1A: [The United States as a whole] In the past 25 years, do you think poverty has increased, decreased or stayed about the same in each of the following places?
6	POVERTY1B	POVERTY1	Num	8	POVERTY1B: [Your state] In the past 25 years, do you think poverty has increased, decreased or stayed about the same in each of the following places?

#	Variable	Question	Type	Length	Label
7	POVERTY1C	POVERTY1	Num	8	POVERTY1C: [Your local community] In the past 25 years, do you think poverty has increased, decreased or stayed about the same in each of the following places?
8	POVERTY2A	POVERTY2	Num	8	POVERTY2A: [The federal government] How much responsibility does each of the following have to help address poverty?
9	POVERTY2B	POVERTY2	Num	8	POVERTY2B: [State and local governments] How much responsibility does each of the following have to help address poverty?
10	POVERTY2C	POVERTY2	Num	8	POVERTY2C: [Charities] How much responsibility does each of the following have to help address poverty?
11	POVERTY2D	POVERTY2	Num	8	POVERTY2D: [Very wealthy individuals] How much responsibility does each of the following have to help address poverty?

#	Variable	Question	Type	Length	Label
12	POVERTY3A	POVERTY3	Num	8	POVERTY3A: [Bad luck] Would you say each of the following is a major factor, minor factor, or not a factor in why people remain in poverty?
13	POVERTY3B	POVERTY3	Num	8	POVERTY3B: [Personal choices] Would you say each of the following is a major factor, minor factor, or not a factor in why people remain in poverty?
14	POVERTY3C	POVERTY3	Num	8	POVERTY3C: [Lack of government support] Would you say each of the following is a major factor, minor factor, or not a factor in why people remain in poverty?
15	POVERTY3D	POVERTY3	Num	8	POVERTY3D: [Systems that are unfair] Would you say each of the following is a major factor, minor factor, or not a factor in why people remain in poverty?

#	Variable	Question	Type	Length	Label
16	POVERTY4	POVERTY4	Num	8	POVERTY4: Do you think the government is spending too much, too little or the right amount on assistance for those in need?
17	POVERTY5	POVERTY5	Num	8	POVERTY5: Which of these statements comes closer to your views, even if neither is exactly right?
18	POVERTY6A	POVERTY6	Num	8	POVERTY6A: [Removing homeless encampments in U.S. cities] Do you favor, oppose, or neither favor nor oppose each of the following:
19	POVERTY6B	POVERTY6	Num	8	POVERTY6B: [Requiring working age adults with Medicaid to prove they are working or looking for work] Do you favor, oppose, or neither favor nor oppose each of the following:
20	POVERTY6C	POVERTY6	Num	8	POVERTY6C: [Expanding the child tax credit to very low-income families] Do you favor, oppose, or neither favor nor oppose each of the following:

#	Variable	Question	Type	Length	Label
21	POVERTY6D	POVERTY6	Num	8	POVERTY6D: [Providing a universal basic income, where every person receives a regular cash payment without work requirements or other conditions] Do you favor, oppose, or neither favor nor oppose each of the following:
22	HOMELESS1A	HOMELESS1	Num	8	HOMELESS1A: [The United States as a whole] Over the past 25 years, do you think homelessness has increased, decreased or stayed the same in each of the following places?
23	HOMELESS1B	HOMELESS1	Num	8	HOMELESS1B: [Your state] Over the past 25 years, do you think homelessness has increased, decreased or stayed the same in each of the following places?
24	HOMELESS1C	HOMELESS1	Num	8	HOMELESS1C: [Your local community] Over the past 25 years, do you think homelessness has increased, decreased or stayed the same in each of the following places?

#	Variable	Question	Type	Length	Label
25	HOMELESS2A	HOMELESS2	Num	8	HOMELESS2A: [The federal government] How much responsibility should each of the following have to help address homelessness?
26	HOMELESS2B	HOMELESS2	Num	8	HOMELESS2B: [State and local governments] How much responsibility should each of the following have to help address homelessness?
27	HOMELESS2C	HOMELESS2	Num	8	HOMELESS2C: [Charities] How much responsibility should each of the following have to help address homelessness?
28	HOMELESS2D	HOMELESS2	Num	8	HOMELESS2D: [Very wealthy individuals] How much responsibility should each of the following have to help address homelessness?
29	HOMELESS3A	HOMELESS3	Num	8	HOMELESS3A: [Job loss or lack of job skills] Would you say each of the following is a major factor, minor factor, or not a factor in why people are homeless?

#	Variable	Question	Type	Length	Label
30	HOMELESS3B	HOMELESS3	Num	8	HOMELESS3B: [Mental health issues] Would you say each of the following is a major factor, minor factor, or not a factor in why people are homeless?
31	HOMELESS3C	HOMELESS3	Num	8	HOMELESS3C: [Substance abuse] Would you say each of the following is a major factor, minor factor, or not a factor in why people are homeless?
32	HOMELESS3D	HOMELESS3	Num	8	HOMELESS3D: [Lack of affordable housing] Would you say each of the following is a major factor, minor factor, or not a factor in why people are homeless?
33	HOMELESS3E	HOMELESS3	Num	8	HOMELESS3E: [Lack of family support] Would you say each of the following is a major factor, minor factor, or not a factor in why people are homeless?

#	Variable	Question	Type	Length	Label
34	HOMELESS3F	HOMELESS3	Num	8	HOMELESS3F: [Lack of government support] Would you say each of the following is a major factor, minor factor, or not a factor in why people are homeless?
35	HOMELESS3G	HOMELESS3	Num	8	HOMELESS3G: [Personal choices] Would you say each of the following is a major factor, minor factor, or not a factor in why people are homeless?
36	HOMELESS3H	HOMELESS3	Num	8	HOMELESS3H: [Challenges after being released from prison] Would you say each of the following is a major factor, minor factor, or not a factor in why people are homeless?
37	PARTYID7	PID1, PIDA, PIDB, PIDI	Num	8	PARTYID7: Do you consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, an independent or none of these?
38	URBAN	DM5	Num	8	URBAN: How would you describe the community you live in now?

#	Variable	Question	Type	Length	Label
39	RELIG	RELIG	Num	8	RELIG: What is your present religion, if any?
40	AGEGRP	N/A	Num	8	AGEGRP: Age
41	MARITAL	N/A	Num	8	MARITAL: Marital status
42	EDUCATION	N/A	Num	8	EDUCATION: Educational attainment
43	RACETH	N/A	Num	8	RACETH: Race/ethnicity
44	GENDER	N/A	Num	8	GENDER: Gender
45	HHINCOME	N/A	Num	8	HHINCOME: Household income
46	HOUSING	N/A	Num	8	HOUSING: Home ownership
47	EMPSTATUS	N/A	Num	8	EMPSTATUS: Employment status
48	CENSUS_REGION	N/A	Num	8	CENSUS_REGION: Census region

Variable #37 is collapsed or recoded from original data, making the coding frame of this variable different from the survey questionnaire. This variables are derived from more than one question.

Variable #39 is collapsed or recoded from original data, making the coding frame of this variable different from the survey questionnaire. This variable is collapsed or recoded to minimize the risk of disclosing respondent privacy.

Variables #40-48 are AmeriSpeak Omnibus® profile variables. These variables are collapsed or recoded to minimize the risk of disclosing respondent privacy.

Details of Variables

- “.”: logic skip, respondent is not applicable to a specific question
- 99: question non-response

SURV_MODE: Survey interview mode (online or phone)

SURV_MODE	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Phone interview	80	88	8
(2) Web interview	1,041	1,033	92
Total	1,121	1,121	100

SURV_LANG: Survey interview language

SURV_LANG	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) English	1,121	1,121	100
Total	1,121	1,121	100

POVERTY1A: [The United States as a whole] In the past 25 years, do you think poverty has increased, decreased or stayed about the same in each of the following places?

POVERTY1A	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Increased	810	764	68
(2) Decreased	110	130	12
(3) Stayed the same	191	217	19
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	10	10	1
Total	1,121	1,121	100

POVERTY1B: [Your state] In the past 25 years, do you think poverty has increased, decreased or stayed about the same in each of the following places?

POVERTY1B	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Increased	711	667	60
(2) Decreased	110	119	11
(3) Stayed the same	284	318	28
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	16	17	1
Total	1,121	1,121	100

POVERTY1C: [Your local community] In the past 25 years, do you think poverty has increased, decreased or stayed about the same in each of the following places?

POVERTY1C	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Increased	575	532	47
(2) Decreased	129	143	13
(3) Stayed the same	403	430	38
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	14	15	1
Total	1,121	1,121	100

POVERTY2A: [The federal government] How much responsibility does each of the following have to help address poverty?

POVERTY2A	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) A great deal	513	479	43
(2) A moderate amount	356	371	33
(3) Only a little	170	192	17
(4) None at all	70	69	6
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	12	11	1
Total	1,121	1,121	100

POVERTY2B: [State and local governments] How much responsibility does each of the following have to help address poverty?

POVERTY2B	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) A great deal	489	471	42
(2) A moderate amount	408	401	36
(3) Only a little	159	181	16
(4) None at all	51	54	5
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	14	15	1
Total	1,121	1,121	100

POVERTY2C: [Charities] How much responsibility does each of the following have to help address poverty?

POVERTY2C	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) A great deal	305	298	27
(2) A moderate amount	437	429	38
(3) Only a little	283	298	27
(4) None at all	80	81	7
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	16	15	1
Total	1,121	1,121	100

POVERTY2D: [Very wealthy individuals] How much responsibility does each of the following have to help address poverty?			
POVERTY2D	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) A great deal	335	306	27
(2) A moderate amount	308	326	29
(3) Only a little	273	281	25
(4) None at all	188	191	17
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	17	17	2
Total	1,121	1,121	100

POVERTY3A: [Bad luck] Would you say each of the following is a major factor, minor factor, or not a factor in why people remain in poverty?			
POVERTY3A	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Major factor	205	216	19
(2) Minor factor	567	557	50
(3) Not a factor	332	328	29
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	17	20	2
Total	1,121	1,121	100

POVERTY3B: [Personal choices] Would you say each of the following is a major factor, minor factor, or not a factor in why people remain in poverty?			
POVERTY3B	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Major factor	683	691	62
(2) Minor factor	357	346	31
(3) Not a factor	65	62	6
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	16	22	2
Total	1,121	1,121	100

POVERTY3C: [Lack of government support] Would you say each of the following is a major factor, minor factor, or not a factor in why people remain in poverty?

POVERTY3C	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Major factor	489	455	41
(2) Minor factor	446	455	41
(3) Not a factor	171	192	17
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	15	19	2
Total	1,121	1,121	100

POVERTY3D: [Systems that are unfair] Would you say each of the following is a major factor, minor factor, or not a factor in why people remain in poverty?

POVERTY3D	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Major factor	526	521	46
(2) Minor factor	404	416	37
(3) Not a factor	172	164	15
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	19	21	2
Total	1,121	1,121	100

POVERTY4: Do you think the government is spending too much, too little or the right amount on assistance for those in need?

POVERTY4	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Too much	231	248	22
(2) Too little	630	610	54
(3) About the right amount	242	243	22
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	18	20	2
Total	1,121	1,121	100

POVERTY5: Which of these statements comes closer to your views, even if neither is exactly right?

POVERTY5	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) It is more important to ensure no one abuses government assistance for those in need	452	479	43
(2) It is more important to ensure that everyone who qualifies for government assistance for those in need receives help	638	610	54
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	31	32	3
Total	1,121	1,121	100

POVERTY6A: [Removing homeless encampments in U.S. cities] Do you favor, oppose, or neither favor nor oppose each of the following:

POVERTY6A	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Strongly favor	273	267	24
(2) Somewhat favor	225	214	19
(3) Neither favor nor oppose	315	344	31
(4) Somewhat oppose	186	180	16
(5) Strongly oppose	106	100	9
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	16	16	1
Total	1,121	1,121	100

POVERTY6B: [Requiring working age adults with Medicaid to prove they are working or looking for work] Do you favor, oppose, or neither favor nor oppose each of the following:

POVERTY6B	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Strongly favor	366	353	31
(2) Somewhat favor	279	258	23
(3) Neither favor nor oppose	257	297	27
(4) Somewhat oppose	119	120	11
(5) Strongly oppose	89	81	7
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	11	11	1
Total	1,121	1,121	100

POVERTY6C: [Expanding the child tax credit to very low-income families] Do you favor, oppose, or neither favor nor oppose each of the following:

POVERTY6C	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Strongly favor	379	327	29
(2) Somewhat favor	304	282	25
(3) Neither favor nor oppose	277	344	31
(4) Somewhat oppose	66	63	6
(5) Strongly oppose	78	88	8
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	17	18	2
Total	1,121	1,121	100

POVERTY6D: [Providing a universal basic income, where every person receives a regular cash payment without work requirements or other conditions] Do you favor, oppose, or neither favor nor oppose each of the following:

POVERTY6D	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Strongly favor	141	127	11
(2) Somewhat favor	144	130	12
(3) Neither favor nor oppose	262	326	29
(4) Somewhat oppose	176	163	15
(5) Strongly oppose	383	358	32
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	15	18	2
Total	1,121	1,121	100

HOMELESS1A: [The United States as a whole] Over the past 25 years, do you think homelessness has increased, decreased or stayed the same in each of the following places?

HOMELESS1A	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Increased	947	930	83
(2) Decreased	42	49	4
(3) Stayed the same	123	133	12
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	9	9	1
Total	1,121	1,121	100

HOMELESS1B: [Your state] Over the past 25 years, do you think homelessness has increased, decreased or stayed the same in each of the following places?

HOMELESS1B	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Increased	841	807	72
(2) Decreased	48	56	5
(3) Stayed the same	219	243	22
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	13	15	1
Total	1,121	1,121	100

HOMELESS1C: [Your local community] Over the past 25 years, do you think homelessness has increased, decreased or stayed the same in each of the following places?

HOMELESS1C	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Increased	635	611	55
(2) Decreased	83	96	9
(3) Stayed the same	393	402	36
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	10	12	1
Total	1,121	1,121	100

HOMELESS2A: [The federal government] How much responsibility should each of the following have to help address homelessness?

HOMELESS2A	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) A great deal	543	527	47
(2) A moderate amount	358	361	32
(3) Only a little	151	160	14
(4) None at all	52	56	5
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	17	17	2
Total	1,121	1,121	100

HOMELESS2B: [State and local governments] How much responsibility should each of the following have to help address homelessness?

HOMELESS2B	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) A great deal	585	554	49
(2) A moderate amount	358	369	33
(3) Only a little	128	143	13
(4) None at all	33	40	4
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	17	15	1
Total	1,121	1,121	100

HOMELESS2C: [Charities] How much responsibility should each of the following have to help address homelessness?

HOMELESS2C	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) A great deal	302	299	27
(2) A moderate amount	445	444	40
(3) Only a little	276	266	24
(4) None at all	75	86	8
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	23	26	2
Total	1,121	1,121	100

HOMELESS2D: [Very wealthy individuals] How much responsibility should each of the following have to help address homelessness?

HOMELESS2D	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) A great deal	317	289	26
(2) A moderate amount	310	326	29
(3) Only a little	268	273	24
(4) None at all	205	212	19
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	21	20	2
Total	1,121	1,121	100

HOMELESS3A: [Job loss or lack of job skills] Would you say each of the following is a major factor, minor factor, or not a factor in why people are homeless?

HOMELESS3A	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Major factor	706	710	63
(2) Minor factor	337	326	29
(3) Not a factor	56	57	5
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	22	28	2
Total	1,121	1,121	100

HOMELESS3B: [Mental health issues] Would you say each of the following is a major factor, minor factor, or not a factor in why people are homeless?

HOMELESS3B	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Major factor	876	843	75
(2) Minor factor	193	216	19
(3) Not a factor	29	36	3
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	23	27	2
Total	1,121	1,121	100

HOMELESS3C: [Substance abuse] Would you say each of the following is a major factor, minor factor, or not a factor in why people are homeless?

HOMELESS3C	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Major factor	874	850	76
(2) Minor factor	190	201	18
(3) Not a factor	34	42	4
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	23	27	2
Total	1,121	1,121	100

HOMELESS3D: [Lack of affordable housing] Would you say each of the following is a major factor, minor factor, or not a factor in why people are homeless?

HOMELESS3D	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Major factor	741	714	64
(2) Minor factor	290	305	27
(3) Not a factor	65	70	6
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	25	31	3
Total	1,121	1,121	100

HOMELESS3E: [Lack of family support] Would you say each of the following is a major factor, minor factor, or not a factor in why people are homeless?			
HOMELESS3E	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Major factor	560	558	50
(2) Minor factor	469	471	42
(3) Not a factor	66	61	5
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	26	31	3
Total	1,121	1,121	100

HOMELESS3F: [Lack of government support] Would you say each of the following is a major factor, minor factor, or not a factor in why people are homeless?			
HOMELESS3F	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Major factor	506	503	45
(2) Minor factor	437	424	38
(3) Not a factor	157	170	15
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	21	24	2
Total	1,121	1,121	100

HOMELESS3G: [Personal choices] Would you say each of the following is a major factor, minor factor, or not a factor in why people are homeless?			
HOMELESS3G	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Major factor	692	705	63
(2) Minor factor	361	336	30
(3) Not a factor	46	52	5
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	22	29	3
Total	1,121	1,121	100

HOMELESS3H: [Challenges after being released from prison] Would you say each of the following is a major factor, minor factor, or not a factor in why people are homeless?

HOMELESS3H	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Major factor	637	609	54
(2) Minor factor	402	424	38
(3) Not a factor	56	58	5
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	26	30	3
Total	1,121	1,121	100

PARTYID7: Do you consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, an independent or none of these?

PARTYID7	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Strong Democrat	217	167	15
(2) Not so strong Democrat	163	144	13
(3) Lean Democrat	138	102	9
(4) Independent	171	228	20
(5) Don't lean/Independent/None	110	117	10
(6) Lean Republican	146	182	16
(7) Not so strong Republican	169	172	15
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	7	9	1
Total	1,121	1,121	100

URBAN: How would you describe the community you live in now?

URBAN	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Urban	263	252	22
(2) Suburban	582	604	54
(3) Rural	261	248	22
(99) DON'T KNOW/SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED (VOL)	15	17	2
Total	1,121	1,121	100

RELIG: What is your present religion, if any?

RELIG	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Protestant (Baptist, Methodist, Non-denominational, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Pentecostal, Episcopalian, Reformed, Church of Christ, Jehovah's Witness, etc.)	301	275	25
(2) Roman Catholic (Catholic)	230	247	22
(3) Mormon (Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints/LDS)	15	14	1
(4) Orthodox (Greek, Russian, or some other orthodox church)	5	8	1
(5) Jewish (Judaism)	18	14	1
(6) Muslim (Islam)	8	5	0
(7) Buddhist	8	8	1
(8) Atheist (do not believe in God)	62	61	5
(9) Agnostic (not sure if there is a God)	62	55	5
(10) Nothing in particular	170	172	15
(11) Just Christian	214	232	21
(12) Unitarian (Universalist)	15	16	1
(13) Something else	13	16	1
Total	1,121	1,121	100

AGEGRP: Age

AGEGRP	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) 18 to 29	137	223	20
(2) 30 to 39	208	197	18
(3) 40 to 59	319	351	31
(4) 60 to 64	127	91	8
(5) 65 or older	330	259	23
Total	1,121	1,121	100

MARITAL: Marital status

MARITAL	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Married	581	518	46
(2) Widowed	49	43	4
(3) Divorced	144	127	11
(4) Separated	57	67	6
(5) Never married	290	366	33
Total	1,121	1,121	100

EDUCATION: Educational attainment

EDUCATION	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Less than a high school diploma	48	98	9
(2) High school graduate or equivalent	184	320	29
(3) Some college	464	292	26
(4) Bachelor's degree	254	257	23
(5) Post grad study or professional degree	171	154	14
Total	1,121	1,121	100

RACETH: Race/ethnicity			
RACETH	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) White, non-Hispanic	706	671	60
(2) Black or African American, non-Hispanic	143	135	12
(3) Hispanic	186	206	18
(4) Other, non-Hispanic	86	108	10
Total	1,121	1,121	100

GENDER: Gender			
GENDER	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Male	543	546	49
(2) Female	578	575	51
Total	1,121	1,121	100

HHINCOME: Household income			
HHINCOME	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Under \$10,000	33	51	5
(2) \$10,000 to under \$20,000	76	108	10
(3) \$20,000 to under \$30,000	106	122	11
(4) \$30,000 to under \$40,000	82	87	8
(5) \$40,000 to under \$50,000	97	87	8
(6) \$50,000 to under \$75,000	206	185	17
(7) \$75,000 to under \$100,000	151	121	11
(8) \$100,000 to under \$150,000	198	188	17
(9) \$150,000 or more	172	172	15
Total	1,121	1,121	100

HOUSING: Home ownership

HOUSING	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Owned or being bought by you or someone in your household	776	731	65
(2) Rented for cash	303	338	30
(3) Occupied without payment of cash rent	42	52	5
Total	1,121	1,121	100

EMPSTATUS: Employment status

EMPSTATUS	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Working - as a paid employee	566	551	49
(2) Working - self employed	80	80	7
(3) Not working – looking for work	33	50	4
(4) Not working - retired	305	248	22
(5) Not working - disabled	89	117	10
(6) Not working - other	48	75	7
Total	1,121	1,121	100

CENSUS_REGION: Census region

CENSUS_REGION	Frequency	Weighted Frequency	Weighted Percent
(1) Northeast	152	195	17
(2) Midwest	286	229	20
(3) South	399	433	39
(4) West	284	265	24
Total	1,121	1,121	100

Map of Census Regions

