

University of Texas / Texas Tribune Poll
Texas Statewide Survey

Field Dates: May 31-June 9, 2019

N=1200 Adults

Margin of error: +/- 2.83% (3.28% adjusted for weighting) unless otherwise noted¹

Interest and Engagement

Q1. Are you registered to vote in the state of Texas?

1. Yes, registered	100%
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Q2. Generally speaking, would you say that you are extremely interested in politics and public affairs, somewhat interested, not very interested, or not at all interested?

1. Extremely interested	50%
2. Somewhat interested	38
3. Not very interested	8
4. Not at all interested	3
5. Don't know	0

Q3. There are many elections in the state of Texas. Furthermore, many people intend to vote in a given election, but sometimes personal and professional circumstances keep them from the polls. Thinking back over the past two or three years, would you say that you voted in all elections, almost all, about half, one or two, or none at all?

1. Every election	37%
2. Almost every election	38
3. About half	9
4. One or two	10
5. None	5
6. Don't know	2

Q3A. How enthusiastic would you say you are about voting in the 2020 election?

1. Extremely enthusiastic	51%
2. Very enthusiastic	20
3. Somewhat enthusiastic	17
4. Not too enthusiastic	8
5. Not at all enthusiastic	3
6. Don't know/No opinion	2

¹In calculating the margin of error (MOE) for the survey, we provide two calculations, one that compensates for the relative standard deviation of the weights and one that does not. Without taking the variance of the weights into account, the margin of error for the full sample is 2.83%. To compensate for the additional uncertainty from weighting, we apply a multiplier derived from the coefficient of variation of the weights: $\sqrt{1+CV^2}$, where $CV=sd(weights)/mean(weights)$. For this weight sensitive calculation, the MOE for the full sample is 3.28%.

Most Important Problem

Q4. What would you say is the most important problem facing this country today? **[Randomize]**

1. Immigration	16%
2. Political corruption/leadership	15
3. Border security	12
4. Health care	8
5. Moral decline	5
6. Gun control/gun violence	5
7. Environment	5
8. The economy	3
9. Federal spending/national debt	3
10. National security/terrorism	3
11. Income inequality	3
12. Partisan gridlock	3
13. Education	2
14. Crime and drugs	2
15. Abortion	2
16. The media	2
17. Unemployment/jobs	1
18. Taxes	1
19. Social welfare programs	1
20. Voting system	1
21. Police brutality/police militarization	1
22. Race relations	1
23. Foreign trade	1
24. North Korea	1
25. Middle East instability	0
26. Government data collection	0
27. Energy	0
28. Housing	0
29. Afghanistan/Pakistan	0
30. Russia	0
31. Sexual harassment	0
32. Opioid/prescription drug abuse	0

Q5. What would you say is the most important problem facing the State of Texas today?
[Randomize]

1. Immigration	20%
2. Border security	17
3. Health care	8
4. Education	7
5. Political corruption/leadership	6
6. Gun control/gun violence	5
7. Taxes	4
8. Transportation/roads/traffic	3
9. Environment	3
10. The economy	2
11. Unemployment/jobs	2
12. Crime and drugs	2
13. Moral decline	2
14. State government spending	2
15. State budget cuts	2
16. Water supply	1
17. Social welfare programs	1
18. Abortion	1
19. Redistricting	1
20. Gas prices	1
21. Insurance rates	1
22. Voting system	1
23. Utility rates	1
24. Housing	1
25. Electoral fraud	1
26. The media	1
27. Property rights	1
28. Police brutality/police militarization	1
29. Hurricane recovery	1
30. Opioid/prescription drug abuse	1
31. Gay marriage	0
32. Energy	0
33. State courts	0
34. Pension funding	0

Retrospective Assessments

Q6. How would you rate the job Donald Trump is doing as president? Would you say that you...

	Approve strongly	Approve somewhat	Neither approve nor disapprove	Disapprove somewhat	Disapprove strongly	Don't Know
June 2019	34	18	4	5	39	1
Feb. 2019	34	15	5	5	40	1
Oct. 2018	36	12	5	5	40	1
June 2018	29	18	7	6	38	1
Feb. 2018	30	16	7	7	39	1
Oct. 2017	27	18	5	8	42	1
June 2017	25	18	6	7	44	1
Feb. 2017	32	14	8	4	40	3

Q7. How would you rate the job the U.S. Congress is doing? Would you say that you...

	Approve strongly	Approve somewhat	Neither approve nor disapprove	Disapprove somewhat	Disapprove strongly	Don't Know
June 2019	4	14	19	21	39	3
Feb. 2019	4	14	18	26	35	3
Oct. 2018	4	22	16	19	38	2
June 2018	3	15	18	21	38	4
Feb. 2018	2	17	16	22	39	3
Oct. 2017	2	10	15	24	45	3
June 2017	2	13	15	24	43	4
Feb. 2017	5	21	20	18	32	5
Oct. 2016	2	8	18	27	41	4
June 2016	2	8	16	24	45	5
Feb. 2016	2	10	17	24	43	4
Nov. 2015	2	8	17	25	46	3
June 2015	2	13	21	26	36	2
Feb. 2015	3	17	19	24	34	3
Oct. 2014	2	12	13	30	41	2
June 2014	3	8	15	24	48	3
Feb. 2014	3	8	15	23	49	2
Oct. 2013	2	6	12	21	56	3
June 2013	2	10	16	23	46	2
Feb. 2013	3	11	12	23	48	3
Oct. 2012	1	10	18	26	43	3
May 2012	1	9	15	23	48	3
Feb. 2012	1	10	14	26	47	2
Oct. 2011	2	9	10	26	51	2
May 2011	1	15	20	27	35	3
Feb. 2011	2	17	19	26	33	4
Oct. 2009	2	12	11	22	49	4
June 2009	2	18	22	22	36	0
Feb. 2009	4	22	22	15	37	0

Q8A. How would you rate the job Greg Abbott is doing as Governor? Would you say that you...

	Approve strongly	Approve somewhat	Neither approve nor disapprove	Disapprove somewhat	Disapprove strongly	Don't Know
June 2019	29	22	13	11	20	5
Feb. 2019	33	18	12	11	21	5
Oct. 2018	36	16	12	9	23	5
June 2018	27	20	13	12	24	5
Feb. 2018	28	18	18	8	23	5
Oct. 2017	27	21	14	11	22	5
June 2017	27	18	12	9	29	4
Feb. 2017	27	18	17	9	24	5
Oct. 2016	21	21	17	10	23	8
June 2016	20	22	19	10	21	8
Feb. 2016	18	23	24	9	20	6
Nov. 2015	20	22	21	10	19	7
June 2015	22	24	28	8	16	15

Q8B. How would you rate the job Dan Patrick is doing as Lieutenant Governor? Would you say that you...

	Approve strongly	Approve somewhat	Neither approve nor disapprove	Disapprove somewhat	Disapprove strongly	Don't Know
June 2019	22	19	18	6	25	11
Feb. 2019	24	18	16	6	25	10
Oct. 2018	27	17	14	5	26	11
June 2018	18	18	18	8	26	12
Feb. 2018	19	17	21	8	25	10
Oct. 2017	16	20	19	7	24	13
June 2017	15	19	18	8	28	11
Feb. 2017	16	16	24	8	23	14
Oct. 2016	12	19	20	9	22	18
June 2016	12	19	24	8	22	15
Feb. 2016	8	19	30	7	20	16
Nov. 2015	10	19	28	9	17	16
June 2015	13	19	28	8	16	15

Q8C. How would you rate the job Dennis Bonnen is doing as Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives? Would you say that you...

1. Approve strongly 7%
2. Approve somewhat 18
3. Neither approve nor disapprove 27
4. Disapprove somewhat 11
5. Disapprove strongly 12
6. Don't know 25

Q8D. How would you rate the job the Texas Legislature is doing? Would you say that you...

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|-----------------------------------|----|
| 1. Approve strongly | 8% |
| 2. Approve somewhat | 30 |
| 3. Neither approve nor disapprove | 22 |
| 4. Disapprove somewhat | 16 |
| 5. Disapprove strongly | 13 |
| 6. Don't know | 11 |

[RANDOMIZE Q9A-Q9B]

Q9A. How would you rate the job Ted Cruz is doing as U.S. Senator? Would you say that you...

	Approve strongly	Approve somewhat	Neither approve nor disapprove	Disapprove somewhat	Disapprove strongly	Don't Know
June 2019	27	20	10	8	31	4
Feb. 2019	31	15	9	7	34	4
Oct. 2018	34	13	8	5	37	3
June 2018	21	18	13	8	33	7
Feb. 2018	22	18	12	9	32	7
Oct. 2017	19	19	13	12	31	5
June 2017	21	17	12	9	35	6
Feb. 2017	20	18	14	10	29	9
Oct. 2016	16	19	13	11	34	7
June 2016	18	17	13	12	31	9
Feb. 2016	18	19	15	10	32	6
Nov. 2015	27	17	11	9	28	9

Q9B. How would you rate the job John Cornyn is doing as U.S. Senator? Would you say that you...

	Approve strongly	Approve somewhat	Neither approve nor disapprove	Disapprove somewhat	Disapprove strongly	Don't Know
June 2019	14	23	17	11	23	12
Feb. 2019	15	21	18	13	22	11
Oct. 2018	17	22	15	9	25	13
June 2018	8	19	21	14	24	13
Feb. 2018	10	19	23	15	23	10
Oct. 2017	7	21	18	15	27	12
June 2017	9	19	18	14	27	12
Feb. 2017	11	19	22	12	22	14
Oct. 2016	8	20	22	14	22	15
June 2016	7	17	24	14	21	17
Feb. 2016	7	20	26	14	18	15
Nov. 2015	7	20	22	16	18	16

Q9C. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Robert Mueller is handling the investigation of Russian interference in the 2016 Election?

	Approve strongly	Approve somewhat	Neither approve nor disapprove	Disapprove somewhat	Disapprove strongly	Don't Know
June 2019	15	22	15	14	26	9
Feb. 2019	26	13	13	9	31	8
Oct. 2018	22	12	16	11	30	10
June 2018	24	13	14	10	28	11
Feb. 2018	24	14	17	12	24	10

Q10. Thinking about the country, do you think that things are headed in the right direction, or do you think that things are headed off on the wrong track?

	Right Track	Wrong Track	Don't Know
June 2019	40	50	10
Feb. 2019	39	53	9
Oct. 2018	42	49	9
June 2018	41	47	11
Feb. 2018	39	50	11
Oct. 2017	29	61	10
June 2017	34	54	12
Feb. 2017	39	49	12
Oct. 2016	22	67	11
June 2016	18	70	12
Feb. 2016	22	66	12
Nov. 2015	22	68	10
June 2015	23	64	14
Feb. 2015	26	59	15
Oct. 2014	25	65	10
June 2014	23	65	13
Feb. 2014	25	63	12
Oct. 2013	20	69	11
June 2013	28	60	11
Feb. 2013	29	62	9
Oct. 2012	31	58	11
May 2012	25	61	14
Feb. 2012	28	61	11
Oct. 2011	14	75	11
May 2011	24	63	14
Feb. 2011	26	59	15
Oct. 2010	25	64	11
Sep. 2010	26	63	12
May 2010	27	62	11
Feb. 2010	31	56	13
Oct. 2009	35	59	10

Q11. Compared to a year ago, would you say that the national economy is a lot better off, somewhat better off, about the same, somewhat worse off, or a lot worse off?

	A lot better off	Somewhat better off	About the same	Somewhat worse off	A lot worse off	Don't Know
June 2019	26	21	23	18	8	3
Feb. 2019	27	22	23	15	9	3
Oct. 2018	32	19	26	12	7	4
June 2018	26	25	23	14	8	4
Feb. 2018	25	28	26	13	6	2
Oct. 2017	18	25	33	16	6	3
June 2017	14	28	30	18	7	3
Feb. 2017	12	28	36	11	9	4
Oct. 2016	8	20	29	25	15	4
June 2016	6	20	29	23	17	5
Feb. 2016	8	22	27	25	15	3
Nov. 2015	7	25	28	23	14	3
June 2015	7	24	33	21	13	3
Feb. 2015	11	25	33	18	11	3
Oct. 2014	6	25	30	23	14	2
June 2014	7	24	26	25	16	2
Feb. 2014	5	24	28	23	17	2
Oct. 2013	5	20	25	25	24	1
June 2013	7	28	31	18	15	1
Oct. 2012	7	25	25	19	23	1
May 2012	4	24	29	20	19	4
Feb. 2012	4	25	30	19	20	2
Oct. 2011	2	12	25	28	31	2
May 2011	2	20	26	24	25	3
Feb. 2011	3	24	30	24	17	2
Oct. 2010	3	19	20	23	33	3
Sep. 2010	3	20	21	20	34	2
May 2010	5	23	24	15	32	1
Feb. 2010	3	25	19	23	29	1
Oct. 2009	5	19	16	23	36	1

Q12. Thinking about the State of Texas, do you think that things are headed in the right direction, or do you think that things are headed off on the wrong track?

	Right Track	Wrong Track	Don't Know
June 2019	49	34	17
Feb. 2019	49	35	16
Oct. 2018	50	35	16
June 2018	46	37	16
Feb. 2018	48	36	15
Oct 2017	43	40	16
June 2017	43	40	17
Feb. 2017	46	36	18
Oct. 2016	42	40	17
June 2016	41	38	22
Feb. 2016	42	37	21
Nov. 2015	45	36	19
June 2015	50	32	18
Feb. 2015	50	30	20
Oct. 2014	48	35	18
June 2014	49	33	17
Feb. 2014	45	35	20
Oct. 2013	42	39	19
June 2013	50	32	18
Feb. 2013	45	39	16
Oct. 2012	43	34	23
May 2012	38	42	21
Feb. 2012	43	38	19
Oct. 2011	39	43	18
May 2011	36	48	16
Feb. 2011	41	41	18
Oct. 2010	45	37	18
Sep. 2010	43	38	18
May 2010	45	38	17
Feb. 2010	43	37	20
Oct. 2009	38	39	23

Q13. Compared to a year ago, would you say that you and your family are economically a lot better off, somewhat better off, about the same, somewhat worse off, or a lot worse off?

	A lot better off	Somewhat better off	About the same	Somewhat worse off	A lot worse off	Don't Know
June 2019	15	25	37	14	5	3
Feb. 2019	12	28	39	13	6	2
Oct. 2018	12	27	39	13	6	3
June 2018	10	27	42	14	6	2
Feb. 2018	11	27	42	13	5	1
Oct. 2017	9	22	47	16	5	1
June 2017	5	20	52	15	5	1
Feb. 2017	6	21	50	16	7	1
Oct. 2016	5	22	44	19	8	2
June 2016	5	18	44	20	9	3
Feb. 2016	5	20	45	19	9	2
Nov. 2015	5	18	45	23	7	1
June 2015	5	21	48	17	7	2
Feb. 2015	6	21	44	21	7	2
Oct. 2014	5	22	42	23	7	1
June 2014	6	21	42	21	8	2
Feb. 2014	5	20	43	22	9	1
Oct. 2013	5	17	41	23	12	2
June 2013	6	19	44	23	7	1
Oct. 2012	6	17	43	23	11	1
May 2012	4	15	48	19	13	2
Feb. 2012	4	16	45	23	11	1
Oct. 2011	3	13	40	28	15	1
May 2011	2	16	40	25	16	2
Feb. 2011	3	17	45	24	11	1
Oct. 2010	3	16	38	27	14	2
Sep. 2010	3	17	39	26	14	1
May 2010	4	16	42	25	13	1
Feb. 2010	3	14	41	29	12	2
Oct. 2009	3	14	39	27	16	1

Q14. Compared to a year ago, would you say that the Texas economy is a lot better off, somewhat better off, about the same, somewhat worse off, or a lot worse off?

	A lot better off	Somewhat better off	About the same	Somewhat worse off	A lot worse off	Don't Know/No Opinion
June 2019	16	27	35	12	5	6
Feb. 2019	17	28	35	10	5	5
Oct. 2018	20	29	31	10	4	5
June 2018	13	30	34	12	4	7
Feb. 2018	13	30	38	13	3	3
Oct 2017	8	27	41	16	3	5
June 2017	6	28	39	17	4	6
Feb. 2017	6	22	49	11	5	6
Oct. 2016	3	22	45	19	5	5
June 2016	4	22	41	19	6	8
Feb. 2016	4	22	41	23	5	4
Nov. 2015	4	25	41	20	5	5
June 2015	5	28	44	14	4	4
Feb. 2015	6	26	47	14	3	4
Oct. 2014	9	32	40	12	4	3
Oct. 2012	4	21	51	16	5	3

Q15. As you probably know, Texas's population has grown significantly in the last number of years. Do you think that this population growth has been good for Texas, bad for Texas, or don't you have an opinion?

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| 1. Good | 39% |
| 2. Bad | 34 |
| 3. Don't have an opinion | 27 |

Q16. Is Texas's increasing racial and ethnic diversity a cause for optimism or a cause for concern?

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| 1. A cause for optimism | 44% |
| 2. A cause for concern | 33 |
| 3. Don't know/No opinion | 23 |

Q17. Now we're going to ask you about some institutions in American society. Please tell us whether you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, neither favorable nor unfavorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion of each one. **[GRID & RANDOMIZE A-F, INCLUDE "Don't know/no opinion" OPTION]**

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Neither Favorable nor unfavorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very Unfavorable	Don't know/no opinion
The military	45	26	15	6	5	2
The police	29	29	17	13	10	2
The courts/criminal justice	7	28	23	23	15	3
The federal government	6	18	20	27	26	3
The TX state government	16	32	19	14	15	3
The municipal/local government	11	35	24	14	12	5

Political Figures and Elections

Q18. If the 2020 presidential election were held today, would you definitely vote to re-elect Donald Trump, probably vote to re-elect Donald Trump, probably vote for someone else, or definitely vote for someone else?

- 1. Definitely vote to re-elect Donald Trump 39%
- 2. Probably vote to re-elect Donald Trump 11
- 3. Probably vote for someone else 7
- 4. Definitely vote for someone else 43

Q19. If the 2020 primary elections for President were held today, would you vote in **[RANDOMIZE 'the Republican primary', 'the Democratic primary']** the Republican primary, the Democratic primary, or wouldn't you vote in either primary? **[RANDOMIZE 1-2]**

- 1. Republican primary 45%
- 2. Democratic primary 40
- 3. Wouldn't vote in either primary 8
- 4. Don't know 7

Q20A. Which of the following potential 2020 Democratic primary candidates have you heard of?
[RANDOMIZE 1-23]

1. Joe Biden	82%
2. Beto O'Rourke	82
3. Bernie Sanders	81
4. Elizabeth Warren	74
5. Kamala Harris	62
6. Cory Booker	58
7. Julián Castro	53
8. Pete Buttigieg	51
9. Bill de Blasio	51
10. Kirsten Gillibrand	51
11. Amy Klobuchar	39
12. Tulsi Gabbard	30
13. John Hickenlooper	28
14. Andrew Yang	23
15. Eric Swalwell	22
16. Tim Ryan	20
17. John Delaney	18
18. Jay Inslee	16
19. Michael Bennet	14
20. Steve Bullock	12
21. Seth Moulton	10
22. Marianne Williamson	10
23. Wayne Messam	4

Q20B. **[ASK IF Q19 == 2]** If the 2020 Democratic primary election for president were held today, which of the following candidates would you vote for? **[RANDOMIZE 1-23]**

(n=483, MOE is +/- 4.46%; MOE taking account of the survey weights is +/- 4.99%)

1. Joe Biden	23%
2. Beto O'Rourke	15
3. Elizabeth Warren	14
4. Bernie Sanders	12
5. Pete Buttigieg	8
6. Kamala Harris	5
7. Julián Castro	3
8. Tulsi Gabbard	3
9. Cory Booker	1
10. John Delaney	1
11. Kirsten Gillibrand	1
12. Jay Inslee	1
13. Amy Klobuchar	1
14. Eric Swalwell	1
15. Michael Bennet	0
16. Steve Bullock	0
17. Bill de Blasio	0
18. John Hickenlooper	0
19. Wayne Messam	0
20. Seth Moulton	0
21. Tim Ryan	0
22. Marianne Williamson	0
23. Andrew Yang	0
24. Someone else	1
25. No one/None of them	1
26. Anyone/Any of them	3
27. Don't know/No opinion	7

[RANDOMIZE Q21-Q122]

Q21. Please tell us whether you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, neither favorable nor unfavorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion of Beto O'Rourke.

1. Very favorable	22%
2. Somewhat favorable	20
3. Neither favorable nor unfavorable	8
4. Somewhat unfavorable	6
5. Very unfavorable	40
6. Don't know/no opinion	4

Q22. Please tell us whether you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, neither favorable nor unfavorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion of Julián Castro.

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|--------------------------------------|-----|
| 1. Very favorable | 10% |
| 2. Somewhat favorable | 16 |
| 3. Neither favorable nor unfavorable | 18 |
| 4. Somewhat unfavorable | 7 |
| 5. Very unfavorable | 26 |
| 6. Don't know/no opinion | 23 |

Q23. Do you think Donald Trump [GRID WITH RESPONSE OPTIONS “Yes”, “No, “Don’t know”] [RANDOMIZE A-F]

	Yes	No	Don't Know
Has the temperament to serve effectively	45	50	5
Is honest and trustworthy	41	52	7
Is competent	51	44	5
Cares about people like yourself	43	51	6
Is a strong leader	49	48	3
Is knowledgeable	50	46	4

[RANDOMIZE Q24A-Q24E]

Q24A. Do you approve or disapprove of how Donald Trump has handled the economy?

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|-----------------------------------|-----|
| 1. Approve strongly | 36% |
| 2. Approve somewhat | 16 |
| 3. Neither approve nor disapprove | 8 |
| 4. Disapprove somewhat | 7 |
| 5. Disapprove strongly | 30 |
| 6. Don't know | 2 |

Q24B. Do you approve or disapprove of how Donald Trump has handled trade negotiations?

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|-----------------------------------|-----|
| 1. Approve strongly | 29% |
| 2. Approve somewhat | 17 |
| 3. Neither approve nor disapprove | 7 |
| 4. Disapprove somewhat | 8 |
| 5. Disapprove strongly | 37 |
| 6. Don't know | 3 |

Q24C. Do you approve or disapprove of how Donald Trump has handled immigration and border security?

1. Approve strongly	34%
2. Approve somewhat	15
3. Neither approve nor disapprove	5
4. Disapprove somewhat	6
5. Disapprove strongly	39
6. Don't know	1

Q24D. Do you approve or disapprove of how Donald Trump has handled foreign relations?

1. Approve strongly	30%
2. Approve somewhat	17
3. Neither approve nor disapprove	8
4. Disapprove somewhat	5
5. Disapprove strongly	38
6. Don't know	2

Q24E. Do you approve or disapprove of how Donald Trump has handled taxes?

1. Approve strongly	31%
2. Approve somewhat	16
3. Neither approve nor disapprove	8
4. Disapprove somewhat	6
5. Disapprove strongly	35
6. Don't know	3

Q24E2. How much have you heard about President Trump's plan to place an import tax (a tariff) on all goods brought into the United States from Mexico?

1. A lot	46%
2. Some	39
3. Not very much	10
4. Nothing at all	4

Q24F. Do you approve or disapprove of President Trump imposing an import tax (a tariff) on all goods brought into the United States from Mexico?

1. Strongly approve	28%
2. Somewhat approve	15
3. Neither approve nor disapprove	10
4. Somewhat disapprove	8
5. Strongly disapprove	34
6. Don't know/No opinion	5

[RANDOMIZE Q24G-Q24H]

Q24G. Do you think imposing a tariff on all goods brought into the United States from Mexico will be...**[RANDOMIZE 1-2]**

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| 1. Good for the Texas economy | 19% |
| 2. Bad for the Texas economy | 49 |
| 3. Have no effect on the Texas economy | 16 |
| 4. Don't know/No opinion | 17 |

Q24H. How effective do you think a tariff on all goods brought into the United States from Mexico will be at making the Mexican government do more to prevent migrants from coming to the United States?

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|--------------------------|-----|
| 1. Very effective | 20% |
| 2. Somewhat effective | 22 |
| 3. Not very effective | 15 |
| 4. Not at all effective | 33 |
| 5. Don't know/No opinion | 10 |

Now, let's turn to the State of Texas.

Q25. How closely have you been following the current Texas legislative session?

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| 1. Extremely closely | 12% |
| 2. Somewhat closely | 37 |
| 3. Not that closely | 31 |
| 4. Not at all closely | 17 |
| 5. Don't know | 3 |

Q26. Do you approve or disapprove of how state leaders and the Legislature are handling K-12 public education in Texas?

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|-----------------------------------|----|
| 1. Approve strongly | 6% |
| 2. Approve somewhat | 24 |
| 3. Neither approve nor disapprove | 23 |
| 4. Disapprove somewhat | 17 |
| 5. Disapprove strongly | 12 |
| 6. Don't know/No opinion | 17 |

Q27. Would you say that the quality of K-12 public school education in Texas is:

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| 1. Excellent | 7% |
| 2. Good | 41 |
| 3. Not very good | 31 |
| 4. Terrible | 10 |
| 5. Don't know | 11 |

Q28. Do you think that Texas spends too much, too little, or about the right amount on primary and secondary education?

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|---------------------------|-----|
| 1. Too much | 11% |
| 2. Too little | 53 |
| 3. About the right amount | 23 |
| 4. Don't know/no opinion | 14 |

Q29. Do you approve or disapprove of how state leaders and the Legislature are handling property taxes in Texas?

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|-----------------------------------|----|
| 1. Approve strongly | 6% |
| 2. Approve somewhat | 20 |
| 3. Neither approve nor disapprove | 19 |
| 4. Disapprove somewhat | 20 |
| 5. Disapprove strongly | 17 |
| 6. Don't know/No opinion | 17 |

Q30. In your opinion, do Texans pay too much, too little, or about the right amount in property taxes?

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|---------------------------|-----|
| 1. Too much | 60% |
| 2. Too little | 7 |
| 3. About the right amount | 18 |
| 4. Don't know/no opinion | 15 |

Q31. Do you support or oppose requiring voter approval before local property tax revenue is allowed to grow above a set limit?

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|--------------------------|-----|
| 1. Strongly support | 49% |
| 2. Somewhat support | 22 |
| 3. Somewhat oppose | 7 |
| 4. Strongly oppose | 3 |
| 5. Don't know/No opinion | 19 |

Q32. Now that the legislative session is over, do you expect the property taxes that Texans pay to decrease, increase, stay the same, or don't you have an opinion?

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|--------------------------|----|
| 1. Decrease | 9% |
| 2. Increase | 36 |
| 3. Stay the same | 27 |
| 4. Don't know/No opinion | 28 |

Q33. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: a sincerely held religious belief is a legitimate reason to exempt someone from laws designed to prevent discrimination?

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|--------------------------|-----|
| 1. Agree | 30% |
| 2. Disagree | 46 |
| 3. Don't know/No opinion | 24 |

Q34. Do you think the government should or should not require parents to have their children vaccinated against infectious diseases (e.g. measles, mumps, whooping cough)?

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|--------------------------|-----|
| 1. Should | 78% |
| 2. Should not | 12 |
| 3. Don't know/No opinion | 10 |

Q35. How much have you heard about recent infectious disease outbreaks, such as measles, in the United States?

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|-------------------|-----|
| 1. A lot | 50% |
| 2. Some | 34 |
| 3. A little | 10 |
| 4. Nothing at all | 3 |
| 5. Don't know | 3 |

Q36. What is your opinion on the availability of abortion?

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|---|-----|
| 1. By law, abortion should never be permitted | 15% |
| 2. The law should permit abortion only in case of rape, incest or when the woman's life is in danger | 31 |
| 3. The law should permit abortion for reasons other than rape, incest, or danger to the woman's life, but only after the need for the abortion has been clearly established | 13 |
| 4. By law, a woman should always be able to obtain an abortion as a matter of personal choice | 37 |
| 5. Don't know | 5 |

Q37. Do support or oppose making abortion illegal after 6 weeks of pregnancy?

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|--------------------------|-----|
| 1. Strongly support | 35% |
| 2. Somewhat support | 13 |
| 3. Somewhat oppose | 10 |
| 4. Strongly oppose | 32 |
| 5. Don't know/No opinion | 10 |

[RANDOMIZE Q38A-Q38C]

Q38A. How often do you think that people who are not U.S. citizens vote in Texas Elections?

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|--------------------------|-----|
| 1. Never | 15% |
| 2. Rarely | 22 |
| 3. Sometimes | 24 |
| 4. Frequently | 26 |
| 5. Don't know/No opinion | 13 |

Q38B. How often do you think that people who are eligible to vote in Texas elections are prevented from voting?

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|--------------------------|-----|
| 1. Never | 15% |
| 2. Rarely | 28 |
| 3. Sometimes | 27 |
| 4. Frequently | 17 |
| 5. Don't know/No opinion | 13 |

Q38C. How often do you think that voters knowingly break election laws in Texas?

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|--------------------------|----|
| 1. Never | 6% |
| 2. Rarely | 29 |
| 3. Sometimes | 29 |
| 4. Frequently | 20 |
| 5. Don't know/No opinion | 16 |

Q39. Based on what you know, do you think that Texas's election system discriminates against racial and ethnic minorities?

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|--------------------------|-----|
| 1. Yes | 35% |
| 2. No | 50 |
| 3. Don't know/No opinion | 15 |

[RANDOMIZE Q40A-Q40B]

Q40A. In your opinion, is Texas state government doing too much, too little, or the right amount to protect the rights of Christians?

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|--------------------------|-----|
| 6. Too much | 23% |
| 7. Too little | 32 |
| 8. The right amount | 25 |
| 9. Don't know/No opinion | 21 |

Q40B. In your opinion, is Texas state government doing too much, too little, or the right amount to protect the rights of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or queer (LGBTQ) Texans?

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|--------------------------|-----|
| 1. Too much | 25% |
| 2. Too little | 31 |
| 3. The right amount | 23 |
| 4. Don't know/No opinion | 21 |

Q41. Please tell us whether you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, neither favorable nor unfavorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion of #MeToo movement.

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|--------------------------------------|-----|
| 1. Very favorable | 17% |
| 2. Somewhat favorable | 18 |
| 3. Neither favorable nor unfavorable | 16 |
| 4. Somewhat unfavorable | 15 |
| 5. Very unfavorable | 25 |
| 6. Don't know/no opinion | 10 |

Political Knowledge

[Randomize INFO1-INFO3]

INFO1. Which political party holds the majority in the U.S. House of Representatives?

[RANDOMIZE 1-2]

5. Republican Party	23%
6. Democratic Party	68
7. Neither	1
8. Don't know	8

INFO2. What majority of both houses of the U.S. Congress is needed to override a presidential veto?

1. More than one-half	8%
2. More than two-thirds	71
3. More than three-fourths	7
4. Don't know	14

INFO3. Who is the current Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts? [RANDOMIZE 1-4]

1. Glenn Hegar	14%
2. Sid Miller	11
3. Christi Craddick	8
4. George P. Bush	12
5. Don't know	55

Political Orientation

We're almost done. Now we just have a few basic questions for statistical purposes.

LIBCON. On a scale from 1 to 7, where 1 is extremely liberal, 7 is extremely conservative, and 4 is exactly in the middle, where would you place yourself? **[Wording on scale: (1) "Extremely liberal," (4) "In the middle," (7) "Extremely conservative"]**

1. Extremely liberal	10%
2. Somewhat liberal	13
3. Lean liberal	8
4. In the middle	23
5. Lean conservative	10
6. Somewhat conservative	19
7. Extremely conservative	17

PID3. Generally speaking, would you say that you usually think of yourself as a...

1. Democrat	42%
2. Independent	10
3. Republican	48

PID7. (Uses the four PID3 follow-up questions)

1. Strong Democrat	22%
2. Not very strong Democrat	10
3. Lean Democrat	10
4. Independent	10
5. Lean Republican	15
6. Not very strong Republican	9
7. Strong Republican	24

REPCON. **[ASK IF PID7 >= 5]** Overall, do you think that Republican elected officials in Texas are conservative enough, too conservative, or not conservative enough?

1. Conservative enough	45%
2. Too conservative	11
3. Not conservative enough	37
4. Don't know/No opinion	8

DEMLIB. **[ASK IF PID7 <= 3]** Overall, do you think that Democratic elected officials in Texas are liberal enough, too liberal, or not liberal enough?

1. Liberal enough	30%
2. Too liberal	11
3. Not liberal enough	41
4. Don't know/No opinion	18

Demographics

AGE. Please indicate your age group.

1. 18-29	15%
2. 30-44	25
3. 45-64	36
4. 65 and up	23

LOCATE. Would you say that you live in an urban, suburban, or rural community?

1. Urban	30%
2. Suburban	48
3. Rural	22

METRO. Do you live in the Houston, Dallas-Fort Worth, San Antonio, or Austin metropolitan areas?

1. Yes, I live in the Houston area.	22%
2. Yes, I live the Dallas-Fort Worth area	26
3. Yes, I live in the San Antonio area	11
4. Yes, I live in the Austin area	11
5. No, I live in another part of Texas.	31

CHILD. How many children are currently living with you?

1. One	17%
2. Two	13
3. Three	6
4. Four or more	3
5. None	61

SCHOOL. Do you have any children currently enrolled in school in Texas? (check all that apply)

1. Yes, I have a child/children under 18 enrolled in public school in Texas.	21%
2. Yes, I have a child/children under 18 enrolled in private school in Texas.	4
3. Yes, I have a child/children under 18 who are being home schooled in Texas.	2
4. No, I do not have any children under 18 in school in Texas.	73

INCOME. In which category would you place your household income last year?

1. Less than \$10,000	5%
2. \$10,000 to \$19,999	7
3. \$20,000 to \$29,999	8
4. \$30,000 to \$39,999	10
5. \$40,000 to \$49,999	9
6. \$50,000 to \$59,999	10
7. \$60,000 to \$69,999	6
8. \$70,000 to \$79,999	6
9. \$80,000 to \$99,999	9
10. \$100,000 to \$119,999	7
11. \$120,000 to \$149,999	6
12. More than \$150,000	6
13. Prefer not to say	11

AB. Generally speaking, do you consider yourself to be pro-life, pro-choice, or neither?

6. Pro-life	45%
7. Pro-choice	39
8. Neither	12
9. Don't know	5

EDU. What is the highest level of education that you received?

1. Less than high school	4%
2. High school degree	26
3. Some college	21
4. Two-year college degree	11
5. Four-year college degree	26
6. Post-graduate degree	12

RELIG1. What is your primary religious affiliation, if any? **[No open response on “other”]**

1. Agnostic	5%
2. Assembly of God*	1
3. Atheist	5
4. Baptist*	13
5. Born again	3
6. Buddhist	0
7. Catholic*	18
8. Christian Scientist*	1
9. Church of Christ*	3
10. Church of God*	0
11. Disciples of Christ*	0
12. Episcopal/Anglican*	1
13. Evangelical	1
14. Hindu	0
15. Jehovah’s Witnesses	0
16. Jewish	1
17. Lutheran*	3
18. Methodist*	5
19. Mormon*	0
20. Muslim/Islam	1
21. Nondenominational Christian*	7
22. Orthodox/Eastern Orthodox*	0
23. Pentecostal/charismatic/spirit-filled*	2
24. Presbyterian*	1
25. Protestant (non-specific)*	4
26. Reformed*	1
27. Unitarian/Universalist*	1
28. United Church of Christ*	0
29. Religious but not spiritual	0
30. Spiritual but not religious	6
31. No religious affiliation/none	10
32. Other*	4
33. Don’t know	1

LITERAL. Which of these statements comes closest to describing your feelings about the Bible?

1. The Bible is the actual word of God and is to be taken literally, word for word.	32%
2. The Bible is the word of God but not everything in it should be taken literally, word for word.	36
3. The Bible is a book written by men and is not the word of God.	23
4. Don’t know.	9

IMPORT. How important is religion in your life?

1. Extremely important	46%
2. Somewhat important	25
3. Not very important	12
4. Not at all important	16

ATTEND. Aside from weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services or participate in religious activities?

24. More than once a week	14%
25. Once a week	19
26. A few times a month	12
27. Once or twice a year	24
28. Never	31

RACE1. What race do you consider yourself to be?

1. White	58%
2. African American	14
3. Hispanic or Latino	23
4. Asian/Pacific Islander	2
5. Native American	1
6. Multi-racial	1
7. Other	1

RACE2. [Ask if RACE ~= "Hispanic or Latino"] Do you happen to have a Hispanic-Latino grandparent?

1. Yes	2%
2. No	98
3. Don't know	1

NATIVE1. [Ask if RACE = "Hispanic or Latino"] Were you born in the United States or Puerto Rico, or in another country?

1. Born in the United States or Puerto Rico	83%
2. Born in another country	16
3. Don't know	1

NATIVE2. [Ask NATIVE2 if answer 1 on NATIVE1] Were your parents born in the United States or Puerto Rico, or another country?

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|---|-----|
| 1. Both of my parents were born in the United States or Puerto Rico | 70% |
| 2. One of my parents was born in another country | 18 |
| 3. Both of my parents were both in another country | 11 |

MOVE. Did you move to Texas from some other state?

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|--------|-----|
| 1. Yes | 43% |
| 2. No | 55 |

STATE. [ASK IF MOVE=1] Which state did you move from (most recently)? [DROPDOWN LIST OF STATES]

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|-------------------------|----|
| 1. Alabama | 1% |
| 2. Alaska | 1 |
| 3. Arizona | 3 |
| 4. Arkansas | 2 |
| 5. California | 13 |
| 6. Colorado | 4 |
| 7. Connecticut | 0 |
| 8. Delaware | 0 |
| 9. District of Columbia | 0 |
| 10. Florida | 6 |
| 11. Georgia | 2 |
| 12. Hawaii | 0 |
| 13. Idaho | 1 |
| 14. Illinois | 4 |
| 15. Indiana | 1 |
| 16. Iowa | 1 |
| 17. Kansas | 2 |
| 18. Kentucky | 0 |
| 19. Louisiana | 6 |
| 20. Maine | 0 |
| 21. Maryland | 2 |
| 22. Massachusetts | 1 |
| 23. Michigan | 3 |
| 24. Minnesota | 1 |
| 25. Mississippi | 1 |
| 26. Missouri | 2 |
| 27. Montana | 1 |
| 28. Nebraska | 1 |
| 29. Nevada | 1 |
| 30. New Hampshire | 0 |
| 31. New Jersey | 2 |
| 32. New Mexico | 3 |
| 33. New York | 6 |

34. North Carolina	2
35. North Dakota	0
36. Ohio	4
37. Oklahoma	5
38. Oregon	1
39. Pennsylvania	2
40. Rhode Island	0
41. South Carolina	1
42. South Dakota	0
43. Tennessee	1
44. Utah	1
45. Vermont	0
46. Virginia	4
47. Washington	2
48. West Virginia	0
49. Wisconsin	2
50. Wyoming	0
51. Puerto Rico	0
52. Not in the U.S. or Canada	2

VETERAN. Which of the following best describes your current situation? Please check all that apply:

1. Active-duty military	1%
2. Military veteran	14
3. Active-duty military in my immediate family	3
4. Military veteran in my immediate family	19
5. None of the above	67

HOME. Do you own or rent your home?

6. Own	68%
7. Rent	32

MARITAL. What is your marital status?

1. Married	51%
2. Separated	2
3. Divorced	11
4. Widowed	6
5. Single	24
6. Domestic Partnership	5

GENDER. What is your gender?

1. Male	47%
2. Female	53