Field Dates: February 6 to 15, 2015  
N=1200 Adults  
Margin of error: +/- 2.83% (3.28% adjusted for weighting) unless otherwise noted

**Interest and Engagement**

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

1. Yes, registered 100%

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 44%
2. Somewhat interested 43
3. Not very interested 8
4. Not at all interested 4
5. Don’t know 1

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 37
3. About half 9
4. One or two 9
5. None 5
6. Don’t know 2

* In 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]

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Q5. What would you say is the most important problem facing the state of Texas today?

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

Retrospective Assessments

Q6. How would you rate the job Barack Obama has done as president? Would you say that you…

1. Approve strongly 17%
2. Approve somewhat 20
3. Neither approve nor disapprove 9
4. Disapprove somewhat 8
5. Disapprove strongly 46
6. Don’t know 1
Q7. How would you rate the job the U.S. Congress is doing? Would you say that you…

1. Approve strongly 3%
2. Approve somewhat 17
3. Neither approve nor disapprove 19
4. Disapprove somewhat 24
5. Disapprove strongly 34
6. Don't know 3

Q9. 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?

1. Right direction 26%
2. Wrong track 59
3. Don't know 15

Q10. 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?

1. A lot better off 11%
2. Somewhat better off 25
3. About the same 33
4. Somewhat worse off 18
5. A lot worse off 11
6. Don't know 3

Q11. 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?

1. Right direction 50%
2. Wrong track 30
3. Don't know 20

Q12. 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?

1. A lot better off 6%
2. Somewhat better off 21
3. About the same 44
4. Somewhat worse off 21
5. A lot worse off 7
6. Don't know 2
Q13. 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?

1. A lot better off 6%
2. Somewhat better off 26%
3. About the same 47%
4. Somewhat worse off 14%
5. A lot worse off 3%
6. Don’t know 4%

Political Figures and Elections

Q14. Suppose the Tea Party movement organized itself as a political party. When thinking about the next election for Congress, would you vote for [Randomize] the Republican candidate from your district, the Democratic candidate from your district, or the Tea Party candidate from your district? [Randomize 1-2]

1. Republican candidate 24%
2. Democratic candidate 34%
3. Tea Party candidate 18%
4. Don’t know 23%

Q15. Do you think the Tea Party movement has too much influence, too little influence, or the right amount of influence in the Republican Party?

1. Too much influence 32%
2. Too little influence 28%
3. The right amount of influence 20%
4. Don’t know 20%

Q16. If the 2016 primary elections for President were held today, would you vote in the Republican primary, the Democratic primary, or wouldn’t you vote in either primary?

1. Republican primary 46%
2. Democratic primary 34%
3. Wouldn’t vote in a primary 8%
4. Don’t know 12%
[For Q17 and Q18, after indicating their first choice, respondents were asked, “Of the remaining possible candidates, who would be your second choice, or have you not thought about it enough to have an opinion?”]

Q17. [ASK IF Q16=1] If the 2016 Republican primary election for president were held today, which of the following possible candidates would you vote for, or haven’t you thought about it enough to have an opinion? [Randomize 1-16]

(n=547, MOE is +/- 4.19%; MOE is +/- 4.70% when adjusted for weighting)

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Q18. [ASK IF Q16=2] If the 2016 Democratic primary election for president were held today, which of the following possible candidates would you vote for, or haven’t you thought about it enough to have an opinion? [Randomize 1-7]

(n=401, MOE is +/- 4.89%; MOE is +/- 6.14% when adjusted for weighting)

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[RANDOMIZE Q19-Q23]

Q19. Please tell us whether you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, neither favorable nor unfavorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion of Ted Cruz.

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Q20. Please tell us whether you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, neither favorable nor unfavorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion of Rick Perry.

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

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Q23. Please tell us whether you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, neither favorable nor unfavorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion of Joe Straus.

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Q24. 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-H. INCLUDE “Don’t know/no opinion” OPTION.]

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Policy Questions

Q25. Below are some proposals that have been made for this session as the Texas legislature considers the budget for 2015-2016. Which of the following do you think should be the legislature’s top priority? [RANDOMIZE 1-9]

1. Continue to limit government by approving no new spending and no new taxes 18
2. Continue state funding for border security operations 18
3. Expand Medicaid funding under the Affordable Care Act 15
4. Increase funding to K-12 public education 15
5. Lower property taxes 13
6. Establish a school voucher program in Texas 5
7. Provide public funds for transportation infrastructure 5
8. Lower business taxes 3
9. Expand state-funded, pre-kindergarten programs 1
10. Don’t know/no opinion 7

[On Q26, if respondents indicated that they were either somewhat or very dissatisfied with the amount of taxes Texans pay on that tax, they were asked whether they were if they were dissatisfied because they “would like to see Texans pay more in these taxes” or because they “would you like to see Texans pay less in these taxes?”]

Q26. Would you say that you are very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied with the amount of the following state and local taxes that Texans pay?

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<td>C. Business margins tax</td>
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Q27. Please tell us whether you think traffic congestion and delays are an extremely serious problem, a somewhat serious problem, a not so serious problem, or not a problem at all.

1. Extremely serious 27%
2. Somewhat serious 46
3. Not so serious 19
4. Not serious problem at all 5
5. Don’t know/no opinion 4
Q28. Please tell us whether you agree or disagree with the following statements: *Congestion in my region is a result of...*

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<td>A. people wanting to live or work here</td>
<td>34%</td>
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<td>B. insufficient spending on public transportation</td>
<td>20%</td>
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<td>C. insufficient spending on new roads</td>
<td>21%</td>
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<td>6%</td>
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<td>D. insufficient spending on the maintenance of existing roads</td>
<td>23%</td>
<td>31%</td>
<td>19%</td>
<td>14%</td>
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<td>E. economic growth</td>
<td>27%</td>
<td>40%</td>
<td>18%</td>
<td>6%</td>
<td>4%</td>
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Q29. Should illegal immigrants who have graduated from Texas high schools, lived in the state for at least three years, and applied for citizenship receive in-state tuition rates at Texas public colleges and universities, or should they have to pay the higher tuition rate for out of state students?

1. In-state tuition 42%
2. Out-of-state tuition 43%
3. Don’t know/No opinion 15%
Q30. Below is a list of proposals for improving the K-12 education system in Texas. For each proposal, please tell us whether you think it would be extremely effective, somewhat effective, not very effective, or not at all effective in improving the quality of K-12 education in Texas.

[Randomize A-H. Grid with response options “Extremely effective”, “Somewhat effective”, “Not very effective”, “Not at all effective”, “Don’t know/no opinion”]

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<th>Proposal</th>
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<td>A. Creating a school voucher program</td>
<td>22%</td>
<td>27%</td>
<td>15%</td>
<td>17%</td>
<td>19%</td>
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<td>B. Making it easier for charter schools to open and operate</td>
<td>25%</td>
<td>33%</td>
<td>16%</td>
<td>12%</td>
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<td>C. Increasing the pay of public school teachers</td>
<td>30%</td>
<td>36%</td>
<td>18%</td>
<td>8%</td>
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<td>D. Increasing funding for the public school system</td>
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<td>31%</td>
<td>18%</td>
<td>12%</td>
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<td>F. Reducing the number of standardized tests students must take</td>
<td>33%</td>
<td>30%</td>
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<td>9%</td>
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<td>G. Increasing opportunities for online learning</td>
<td>22%</td>
<td>44%</td>
<td>18%</td>
<td>6%</td>
<td>11%</td>
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<td>H. Expanding state-funded, pre-kindergarten programs</td>
<td>22%</td>
<td>32%</td>
<td>19%</td>
<td>17%</td>
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<td>I. Allowing more localized control over curriculum and standards</td>
<td>29%</td>
<td>33%</td>
<td>16%</td>
<td>9%</td>
<td>12%</td>
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Q31. How closely have you followed the news about a proposed school voucher program here in Texas?

1. Very closely 10%
2. Somewhat closely 30%
3. Not too closely 41%
4. Not at all 19%
Q31A. From what you know or have heard, do you favor or oppose a school voucher program for Texas, or do you not know enough to say?

1. Favor 31%
2. Oppose 19
3. Don’t know enough to say 42
4. No opinion 7

Q32. In general, do you think gun control laws should be made more strict, less strict, or left as they are now?

1. More strict 36%
2. Less strict 22
3. Left as they are now 36
4. Don’t know/No opinion 5

Q33. Do you support or oppose guaranteeing the right of faculty, staff, and students to carry concealed weapons on college campuses.

1. Strongly support 22%
2. Somewhat support 25
3. Somewhat oppose 13
4. Strongly oppose 32
5. Don’t know 8

Q34. As you may know, Texas law currently allows legally licensed individuals to carry concealed handguns in public places. Which of the following do you most agree with:

1. Texans should never be allowed to carry a handgun in a public place. 23%
2. Texans should be allowed to carry a concealed handgun in a public place, as long as they have a license. 45
3. Texans should also be allowed to openly carry a handgun in a public place, as long as they have a license to do so. 22
4. Texans should always be allowed to carry a handgun in a public place, and should not be required to have a license to do so. 10
Q35. Do you support or oppose allowing **CITY OR COUNTY GOVERNMENTS** the ability to regulate the following activities: [RANDOMIZE A-F. GRID WITH RESPONSE OPTIONS: “Strongly support”, “Somewhat support”, “Somewhat oppose”, “Strongly oppose”, “Don’t know/no opinion”.

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<th>Activity</th>
<th>Strongly support</th>
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<td>A. Hydraulic fracturing (“fracking”)</td>
<td>25%</td>
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<td>B. The distribution of plastic shopping bags by retailers</td>
<td>21%</td>
<td>25%</td>
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<td>C. Medicaid expansion under the Affordable Care Act</td>
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<td>D. Smoking in public places</td>
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<td>E. The use of mobile devices while driving</td>
<td>34%</td>
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<td>F. The regulation of guns</td>
<td>26%</td>
<td>23%</td>
<td>17%</td>
<td>28%</td>
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<td>G. Enforcement of Federal immigration laws</td>
<td>48%</td>
<td>22%</td>
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<td>14%</td>
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Q36. We know that people are busy and have only a limited amount of time to follow current events and the news. Given this, how much have you heard about the following issues? [GRID AND RANDOMIZE A-G WITH RESPONSE OPTIONS “A lot”, “Some”, “Not very much”, “Nothing at all”.

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<td>A. The election of the Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives</td>
<td>12%</td>
<td>29%</td>
<td>31%</td>
<td>28%</td>
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<td>B. The grand jury indictment of former-Governor Rick Perry</td>
<td>37%</td>
<td>40%</td>
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<td>C. The contracting issues at Texas’s Health and Human Services</td>
<td>10%</td>
<td>22%</td>
<td>30%</td>
<td>38%</td>
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<td>D. Changes to the rules of procedure in the Texas Senate</td>
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<td>22%</td>
<td>31%</td>
<td>38%</td>
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<td>E. Tuition reimbursements for state employees</td>
<td>8%</td>
<td>19%</td>
<td>32%</td>
<td>42%</td>
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<td>F. The investigation into the Cancer Prevention Research Institute</td>
<td>8%</td>
<td>21%</td>
<td>29%</td>
<td>43%</td>
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<td>G. The oversight of the Texas Enterprise Fund (“TEF”)</td>
<td>7%</td>
<td>18%</td>
<td>29%</td>
<td>46%</td>
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Q37. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: Undocumented immigrants currently living in the United States should be deported immediately.

1. Strongly agree 34%
2. Somewhat agree 25
3. Somewhat disagree 16
4. Strongly disagree 19
5. Don’t know 6

Q38. 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)?

1. Should 75%
2. Should not 14
3. Don’t know/no opinion 11

Q39. Which of the following best characterizes your opinion on the death penalty for those convicted of violent crimes?

1. Strongly support 49%
2. Somewhat support 26
3. Somewhat oppose 10
4. Strongly oppose 9
5. Don’t know 6

Q40. How often do you think people are wrongly convicted of death penalty offenses in the state of Texas?

1. Never 3%
2. Almost never 29
3. Occasionally 47
4. A great deal of the time 12
5. Don’t know 9

Q41. What is your opinion on the legalization of marijuana possession?

1. Marijuana possession should not be legal under any circumstances. 24%
2. Marijuana possession should be legal for medical purposes only. 34
3. Possession of small amounts of marijuana for any purpose should be legal. 26
4. Possession of any amount of marijuana for any purpose should be legal. 16
Q42. How much discrimination against racial and ethnic minorities do you think exists in the United States today?

1. A great deal 21%
2. A lot 19
3. A moderate amount 25
4. A little 29
5. None at all 4
Political Knowledge

[Randomize INFO1-INFO4]

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

1. Republican Party 79%
2. Democratic Party 7
3. Neither 3
4. Don’t know 11

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

1. More than one-half 5%
2. More than two-thirds 72
3. More than three-fourths 8
4. Don’t know 15

INFO3. To the best of your knowledge, what percent of Texas’s population is made up of Latinos/Hispanics? [PROVIDE DROP-DOWN WITH OPTIONS RANGING FROM 0% to 100%]

1. 0-10% 2%
2. 11-20% 9
3. 21-30% 18
4. 31-40% 25
5. 41-50% 20
6. 51-60% 11
7. 61-70% 5
8. 71-80% 3
9. 81-90% 1
10. 90-100% 0

INFO4. To the best of your knowledge, what percent of Texas’s population is made up of African Americans/Blacks? [PROVIDE DROP-DOWN WITH OPTIONS RANGING FROM 0% to 100%]

1. 0-10% 16%
2. 11-20% 44
3. 21-30% 21
4. 31-40% 9
5. 41-50% 4
6. 51-60% 0
7. 61-70% 0
8. 71-80% 1
9. 81-90% 0
10. 90-100% 0
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 5%
2. Somewhat liberal 8
3. Lean liberal 7
4. In the middle 32
5. Lean conservative 13
6. Somewhat conservative 20
7. Extremely conservative 15

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

1. Democrat 40%
2. Independent 11%
3. Republican 49

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

1. Strong Democrat 20%
2. Not very strong Democrat 12
3. Lean Democrat 8
4. Independent 11
5. Lean Republican 15
6. Not very strong Republican 11
7. Strong Republican 23
### Demographics

**AGE. Please indicate your age group.**

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

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<td>Rural</td>
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**METRO. Do you live in the Houston, Dallas-Fort Worth, San Antonio, or Austin metropolitan areas?**

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<td>San Antonio area</td>
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<td>Austin area</td>
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<td>Another part of Texas</td>
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**CHILD. How many children are currently living with you?**

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<td>One</td>
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<td>Two</td>
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<td>Three</td>
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<td>Four or more</td>
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<td>None</td>
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**SCHOOL. Do you have any children currently enrolled in school in Texas? (check all that apply)**

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<td>Yes, I have a child/children under 18 enrolled in public school in Texas.</td>
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<td>Yes, I have a child/children under 18 enrolled in private school in Texas.</td>
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<td>Yes, I have a child/children under 18 who are being home schooled in Texas.</td>
<td>1%</td>
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<td>No, I do not have any children under 18 in school in Texas.</td>
<td>78%</td>
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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  9%
4. $30,000 to $39,999  12%
5. $40,000 to $49,999  8%
6. $50,000 to $59,999  11%
7. $60,000 to $69,999  6%
8. $70,000 to $79,999  7%
9. $80,000 to $99,999  6%
10. $100,000 to $119,999  6%
11. $120,000 to $149,999  4%
12. More than $150,000  6%
13. Prefer not to say  14%

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

1. Less than high school  3%
2. High school degree  32%
3. Some college  28%
4. Two-year college degree  8%
5. Four-year college degree  20%
6. Post-graduate degree  10%

ONEDU. These days many colleges and universities offer courses online. Have you ever taken a course online?

1. Yes  27%
2. No  73%
RELIG. What is your religious affiliation? **[No open response on “other”]**

1. Agnostic 7%
2. Assembly of God* 1
3. Atheist 5
4. Baptist* 19
5. Buddhist 0
6. Catholic* 19
7. Christian Scientist* 0
8. Church of Christ* 3
9. Church of God* 0
10. Disciples of Christ* 1
11. Episcopalian/Anglican* 2
12. Hindu 0
13. Jehovah’s Witnesses 0
14. Jewish 1
15. Lutheran* 3
16. Methodist* 6
17. Mormon* 1
18. Muslim/Islam 1
19. Nondenominational Christian* 10
20. Orthodox/Eastern Orthodox* 0
21. Pentecostal* 2
22. Presbyterian* 2
23. Protestant (non-specific)* 2
24. Reformed* 0
25. Unitarian/Universalist* 0
26. United Church of Christ* 0
27. Spiritual but not religious 9
28. Other* 5
29. Don’t know 2

EVANG. **[Ask if respond * to RELIG]** Do you consider yourself to be a “born again” or “evangelical” Christian?

1. Yes 46%
2. No 54

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. 34%
2. The Bible is the word of God but not everything in it should be taken literally, word for word. 38
3. The Bible is a book written by men and is not the word of God. 22
4. Don’t know. 7
IMPORT. How important is religion in your life?

1. Extremely important 46%
2. Somewhat important 28
3. Not very important 11
4. Not at all important 15

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

1. More than once a week 15%
2. Once a week 20
3. A few times a month 13
4. Once or twice a year 24
5. Never 28

RACE1. What race do you consider yourself to be?

1. White 62%
2. African American 13
3. Hispanic or Latino 23
4. Asian/Pacific Islander 1
5. Native American 0
6. Multi-racial 2

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

1. Yes 3%
2. No 96
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 88%
2. Born in another country 10
3. Don’t know 2

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

1. Both of my parents were born in the United States or Puerto Rico 66%
2. One of my parents was born in another country 21
3. Both of my parents were both in another country 13
MOVE. Did you move to Texas from some other state?

1. Yes 43%
2. No 57%

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

1. Alabama 2%
2. Alaska 0
3. Arizona 2
4. Arkansas 2
5. California 15
6. Colorado 2
7. Connecticut 1
8. Delaware 0
9. District of Columbia 0
10. Florida 5
11. Georgia 4
12. Hawaii 1
13. Idaho 1
15. Indiana 1
16. Iowa 2
17. Kansas 2
18. Kentucky 1
19. Louisiana 5
20. Maine 0
21. Maryland 2
22. Massachusetts 1
23. Michigan 4
24. Minnesota 1
25. Mississippi 1
26. Missouri 2
27. Montana 0
28. Nebraska 1
29. Nevada 1
30. New Hampshire 1
31. New Jersey 2
32. New Mexico 3
33. New York 5
34. North Carolina 2
35. North Dakota 0
36. Ohio 4
37. Oklahoma 3
38. Oregon 1
39. Pennsylvania 2
40. Rhode Island 3
41. South Carolina 0
42. South Dakota 1
43. Tennessee 1
44. Utah 0
45. Vermont 0
46. Virginia 1
47. Washington 1
48. West Virginia 0
49. Wisconsin 1
50. Wyoming 0

HOME. Do you own or rent your home?
1. Own 73%
2. Rent 27%

MARITAL. What is your marital status?
1. Married 55%
2. Separated 2
3. Divorced 11
4. Widowed 6
5. Single 22
6. Domestic Partnership 4

GENDER. What is your gender?
1. Male 47%
2. Female 53