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Texas Statewide Survey

Field Dates: June 5 to 14, 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?

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| 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?

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|--------------------------|-----|
| 1. Extremely interested | 46% |
| 2. Somewhat interested | 42 |
| 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?

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|--------------------------|-----|
| 1. Every election | 34% |
| 2. Almost every election | 39 |
| 3. About half | 11 |
| 4. One or two | 10 |
| 5. None | 4 |
| 6. Don't know | 1 |

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

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

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

Retrospective Assessments

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

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|-----------------------------------|-----|
| 1. Approve strongly | 17% |
| 2. Approve somewhat | 18 |
| 3. Neither approve nor disapprove | 10 |
| 4. Disapprove somewhat | 10 |
| 5. Disapprove strongly | 45 |
| 6. Don't know | 1 |

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

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|-----------------------------------|----|
| 1. Approve strongly | 2% |
| 2. Approve somewhat | 13 |
| 3. Neither approve nor disapprove | 21 |
| 4. Disapprove somewhat | 26 |
| 5. Disapprove strongly | 36 |
| 6. Don't know | 2 |

Q7A. How would you rate the job that your U.S. Congressman is doing? Would you say that you...

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|-----------------------------------|----|
| 1. Approve strongly | 9% |
| 2. Approve somewhat | 24 |
| 3. Neither approve nor disapprove | 24 |
| 4. Disapprove somewhat | 17 |
| 5. Disapprove strongly | 19 |
| 6. Don't know | 7 |

Q8. How would you rate the job Greg Abbott has done as governor? Would you say that you...

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|-----------------------------------|-----|
| 1. Approve strongly | 22% |
| 2. Approve somewhat | 24 |
| 3. Neither approve nor disapprove | 28 |
| 4. Disapprove somewhat | 8 |
| 5. Disapprove strongly | 16 |
| 6. Don't know | 15 |

Q9. How would you rate the job Dan Patrick has done as lieutenant governor? Would you say that you...

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|-----------------------------------|-----|
| 1. Approve strongly | 13% |
| 2. Approve somewhat | 19 |
| 3. Neither approve nor disapprove | 28 |
| 4. Disapprove somewhat | 8 |
| 5. Disapprove strongly | 16 |
| 6. Don't know | 15 |

Q10. How would you rate the job the Texas Legislature is doing? Would you say that you...

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|-----------------------------------|-----|
| 1. Approve strongly | 10% |
| 2. Approve somewhat | 32 |
| 3. Neither approve nor disapprove | 20 |
| 4. Disapprove somewhat | 14 |
| 5. Disapprove strongly | 16 |
| 6. Don't know | 7 |

Q11. 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?

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|--------------------|-----|
| 1. Right direction | 23% |
| 2. Wrong track | 64 |
| 3. Don't know | 14 |

Q12. 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?

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|------------------------|----|
| 1. A lot better off | 7% |
| 2. Somewhat better off | 24 |
| 3. About the same | 33 |
| 4. Somewhat worse off | 21 |
| 5. A lot worse off | 13 |
| 6. Don't know | 3 |

Q13. 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?

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|--------------------|-----|
| 1. Right direction | 50% |
| 2. Wrong track | 32 |
| 3. Don't know | 18 |

Q14. 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?

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|------------------------|----|
| 1. A lot better off | 5% |
| 2. Somewhat better off | 21 |
| 3. About the same | 48 |
| 4. Somewhat worse off | 17 |
| 5. A lot worse off | 7 |
| 6. Don't know | 2 |

Q15. 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?

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|------------------------|----|
| 1. A lot better off | 5% |
| 2. Somewhat better off | 28 |
| 3. About the same | 44 |
| 4. Somewhat worse off | 14 |
| 5. A lot worse off | 4 |
| 6. Don't know | 4 |

Political Figures and Elections

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 | 47% |
| 2. Democratic primary | 33 |
| 3. Wouldn't vote in a primary | 11 |
| 4. Don't know | 10 |

[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=504, MOE is +/- 4.37%; MOE is +/- 4.75% when adjusted for weighting)

| | First Choice | Second Choice |
|--|---------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Ted Cruz | 20% | 16% |
| 2. Rick Perry | 12 | 13 |
| 3. Scott Walker | 10 | 14 |
| 4. Marco Rubio | 8 | 9 |
| 5. Jeb Bush | 7 | 5 |
| 6. Ben Carson | 6 | 5 |
| 7. Rand Paul | 6 | 8 |
| 8. Mike Huckabee | 5 | 7 |
| 9. Carly Fiorina | 3 | 4 |
| 10. Rick Santorum | 2 | 2 |
| 11. Donald Trump | 2 | 2 |
| 12. Chris Christie | 1 | 3 |
| 13. Bobby Jindal | 1 | 3 |
| 14. John Kasich | 1 | 1 |
| 15. Lindsey Graham | 1 | 2 |
| 16. George Pataki | 0 | 0 |
| 17. Haven't thought enough about it to have an opinion | 15 | 6 |

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 1-8]**

(n=457, MOE is +/- 4.58%; MOE is +/- 5.27% when adjusted for weighting)

| | First Choice | Second Choice |
|---|---------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Hillary Clinton | 53% | 17% |
| 2. Bernie Sanders | 15 | 11 |
| 3. Joe Biden | 8 | 25 |
| 4. Elizabeth Warren | 8 | 20 |
| 5. Andrew Cuomo | 1 | 4 |
| 6. Martin O'Malley | 1 | 4 |
| 7. Jim Webb | 1 | 2 |
| 8. Lincoln Chafee | 1 | 1 |
| 9. Haven't thought enough about it to have an opinion | 12 | 17 |

Q19. 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]**

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|-------------------------|-----|
| 1. Republican candidate | 24% |
| 2. Democratic candidate | 34 |
| 3. Tea Party candidate | 18 |
| 4. Don't know | 24 |

Q20. Do you think the Tea Party movement has too much influence, too little influence, or the right amount of influence in the Republican Party?

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|----------------------------------|-----|
| 1. Too much influence | 32% |
| 2. Too little influence | 26 |
| 3. The right amount of influence | 22 |
| 4. Don't know | 21 |

[RANDOMIZE Q21-Q26]

Q21. Please tell us whether you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, neither favorable nor unfavorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion of Ted Cruz.

| | Very Favorable | Somewhat Favorable | Neither Favorable nor Unfavorable | Somewhat Unfavorable | Very Unfavorable | Don't Know/No Opinion |
|-----------|-----------------------|---------------------------|--|-----------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| June 2015 | 22 | 18 | 15 | 8 | 29 | 7 |
| Feb. 2015 | 26 | 15 | 12 | 8 | 28 | 10 |
| Oct. 2014 | 26 | 18 | 11 | 8 | 28 | 8 |
| June 2014 | 29 | 17 | 10 | 6 | 28 | 11 |
| Feb. 2014 | 29 | 14 | 10 | 8 | 29 | 10 |
| Oct. 2013 | 23 | 15 | 14 | 6 | 31 | 10 |
| June 2013 | 26 | 14 | 13 | 7 | 24 | 17 |

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

| | Very Favorable | Somewhat Favorable | Neither Favorable nor Unfavorable | Somewhat Unfavorable | Very Unfavorable | Don't Know/No Opinion |
|-----------|-----------------------|---------------------------|--|-----------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| June 2015 | 24 | 24 | 15 | 9 | 20 | 7 |
| Feb. 2015 | 25 | 21 | 16 | 9 | 19 | 10 |
| Oct. 2014 | 23 | 24 | 12 | 11 | 23 | 8 |
| June 2014 | 25 | 20 | 15 | 7 | 18 | 15 |
| Feb. 2014 | 23 | 22 | 15 | 9 | 16 | 16 |
| Oct. 2013 | 16 | 20 | 23 | 11 | 13 | 18 |
| June 2013 | 12 | 17 | 20 | 9 | 11 | 31 |

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

| | Very Favorable | Somewhat Favorable | Neither Favorable nor Unfavorable | Somewhat Unfavorable | Very Unfavorable | Don't Know/No Opinion |
|-----------|-----------------------|---------------------------|--|-----------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| June 2015 | 10 | 18 | 28 | 9 | 15 | 19 |
| Feb. 2015 | 10 | 17 | 23 | 9 | 15 | 26 |
| Oct. 2014 | 12 | 24 | 20 | 7 | 15 | 20 |
| June 2014 | 15 | 23 | 17 | 8 | 16 | 21 |
| Feb. 2014 | 10 | 16 | 23 | 8 | 10 | 33 |

Q24. Please tell us whether you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, neither favorable nor unfavorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion of Joe Straus.

| | Very Favorable | Somewhat Favorable | Neither Favorable nor Unfavorable | Somewhat Unfavorable | Very Unfavorable | Don't Know/No Opinion |
|-----------|-----------------------|---------------------------|--|-----------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| June 2015 | 3 | 8 | 26 | 7 | 8 | 47 |
| Feb. 2015 | 3 | 9 | 25 | 7 | 7 | 49 |
| June 2013 | 1 | 8 | 20 | 9 | 7 | 55 |

Q25. Please tell us whether you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, neither favorable nor unfavorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion of Barack Obama.

| | |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| 1. Very favorable | 18% |
| 2. Somewhat favorable | 16 |
| 3. Neither favorable nor unfavorable | 9 |
| 4. Somewhat unfavorable | 9 |
| 5. Very unfavorable | 46 |
| 6. Don't know/no opinion | 2 |

Q26. Please tell us whether you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, neither favorable nor unfavorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion of Hillary Clinton.

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|--------------------------------------|-----|
| 1. Very favorable | 17% |
| 2. Somewhat favorable | 18 |
| 3. Neither favorable nor unfavorable | 9 |
| 4. Somewhat unfavorable | 10 |
| 5. Very unfavorable | 45 |
| 6. Don't know/no opinion | 2 |

Policy Questions

Q27. How do you feel about the following statement: Generally speaking, the way state government runs in Texas serves as a good model for other states to follow?

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|----------------------|-----|
| 1. Strongly agree | 26% |
| 2. Somewhat agree | 33 |
| 3. Somewhat disagree | 12 |
| 4. Strongly disagree | 18 |
| 5. Don't know | 11 |

Q28. How closely have you been following the Texas Legislature this session?

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|-----------------------|-----|
| 1. Extremely closely | 12% |
| 2. Somewhat closely | 45 |
| 3. Not very closely | 32 |
| 4. Not at all closely | 11 |

Q29. Below are some proposals that the Texas Legislature debated this year. Please tell us whether you would support or oppose each of the following proposals: **[RANDOMIZE A-H AND GRID WITH RESPONSE OPTIONS: “Strongly support”, “Somewhat support”, “Somewhat oppose”, “Strongly oppose”, “Don’t know”]**

| | Strongly support | Somewhat support | Somewhat oppose | Strongly oppose | Don't Know/No Opinion |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|
| A. Reducing business margins taxes. | 25% | 27% | 15% | 11% | 22% |
| B. Reducing property taxes. | 56% | 28% | 8% | 3% | 5% |
| C. Reducing sales taxes. | 43% | 31% | 15% | 4% | 6% |
| D. Allowing Texans to openly carry handguns in public places so long as they have a license to do so. | 30% | 22% | 13% | 30% | 5% |
| E. Increasing funding for pre-Kindergarten programs. | 34% | 28% | 16% | 14% | 8% |
| F. Prohibiting local governments from limiting hydraulic fracturing (known as “fracking”) within their boundaries. | 24% | 20% | 14% | 25% | 17% |
| G. Limiting the extent to which local governments can raise their property taxes. | 51% | 26% | 10% | 6% | 8% |
| H. Increasing state funding for border security. | 47% | 25% | 12% | 10% | 6% |

Q30. As you may know, the Texas Legislature began the 2015 legislative session with significantly more funds available compared to the 2013 legislative session. Of the following options, which do you think would have been the best use of the additional funds?

[RANDOMIZE 1-8]

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| 1. Cut property taxes. | 21% |
| 2. Increase funding for health and human services. | 18 |
| 3. Increase funding for k-12 public education. | 17 |
| 4. Reduce the state’s debt. | 16 |
| 5. Save it for future needs. | 12 |
| 6. Increase funding for transportation. | 7 |
| 7. Increase funding for higher education. | 7 |
| 8. Cut business taxes. | 3 |

Q31. Turning to taxes, the Texas Legislature has approved a measure that would save the average Texas homeowner approximately \$125 a year on their property taxes. Would you say that this reduction is..

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| 1. Enough to make a difference to most Texas families | 29% |
| 2. Not enough to make a difference | 56 |
| 3. Don't know/no opinion | 14 |

Q32. Which of the following is closest to your opinion? State law should...

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| 1. prohibit concealed handgun license (CHL) holders from carrying their weapons on college campuses. | 37% |
| 2. allow individual colleges and universities the right to determine whether CHL holders can carry their weapons on campus. | 26 |
| 3. guarantee the right of CHL holders to carry their weapons on campus. | 25 |
| 4. Don't know/no opinion | 12 |

Q33. 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?

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| 1. In-state tuition | 41% |
| 2. Out-of-state tuition | 43 |
| 3. Don't know/No opinion | 16 |

Q34. What is your opinion on gay marriage?

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| 1. Gays and lesbians should have the right to marry | 44% |
| 2. Gays and lesbians should not have the right to marry | 41 |
| 3. Don't know | 14 |

Q35. As you may know, currently, the maximum penalty for possession of small amounts of marijuana can include up to 180 days in jail and/or a fine of up to \$2,000. Would you support or oppose reducing punishment for possession of small amounts of marijuana to a citation and a fine of \$250?

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|---------------------|-----|
| 1. Strongly support | 44% |
| 2. Somewhat support | 24 |
| 3. Somewhat oppose | 11 |
| 4. Strongly oppose | 15 |
| 5. Don't know | 7 |

Q36. If members of the Texas Legislature are formally accused of committing a crime related to their public duties, should the case be handled...

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| 1. in Austin, by the Travis County District Attorney. | 47% |
| 2. in the county in which they reside, by the local District Attorney. | 36 |
| 3. Don't know/know opinion | 17 |

Q37. As you might know, in Texas, parental consent is required for a minor to obtain an abortion. However, a judge can bypass the parental consent requirement for a minor if seeking permission from their parents could endanger them.

Do you support or oppose making it more difficult for minors in these circumstances to receive an abortion without their parents' consent?

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| 1. Strongly support | 30% |
| 2. Somewhat support | 20 |
| 3. Somewhat oppose | 14 |
| 4. Strongly oppose | 22 |
| 5. Don't know | 14 |

Q38. Do you think businesses should be allowed to refuse services to gays and lesbians for religious reasons, or do you think that businesses should be required to provide services to gays and lesbians?

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|---|-----|
| 1. Should be allowed to refuse services | 41% |
| 2. Should be required to provide services | 45 |
| 3. Don't know/no opinion | 14 |

Q39. As you may know, Governor Greg Abbott directed the Texas State Guard to monitor the activities of the U.S. military during a training exercise in the Southwestern states. Based on what you know, do you support or oppose Governor Abbott ordering the Texas State Guard to monitor the U.S. military, or do you not know enough to say?

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|--------------------------|-----|
| 1. Strongly support | 23% |
| 2. Somewhat support | 16 |
| 3. Somewhat oppose | 8 |
| 4. Strongly oppose | 20 |
| 5. Don't know/no opinion | 32 |

Q40. How likely do you think it is that the federal government would order the U.S. military to engage in the following activities... **[RANDOMIZE A-D WITH RESPONSE OPTIONS, “Very likely”, “Somewhat likely”, “Not very likely”, “Not at all likely”, “Don’t know”.]**

| | Very likely | Somewhat likely | Not very likely | Not at all likely | Don’t Know/No Opinion |
|---|--------------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| A. Impose martial law in Texas or any other U.S. state. | 22% | 22% | 21% | 25% | 10% |
| B. Confiscate the firearms of U.S. residents. | 22% | 21% | 19% | 29% | 9% |
| C. Arrest political protesters. | 28% | 24% | 20% | 19% | 9% |
| D. Violate citizens’ property rights. | 27% | 23% | 17% | 24% | 10% |

Q41. Just your opinion, in the United States today, how much discrimination is there against... **[RANDOMIZE A-J WITH RESPONSE OPTIONS, “A lot of discrimination”, “Some”, “Not very much”, “None at all”, “Don’t know/no opinion”.]**

| | A lot | Some | Not very much | None at all | Don’t Know/No Opinion |
|-----------------------|--------------|-------------|----------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|
| A. Whites | 13% | 26% | 29% | 28% | 4% |
| B. African Americans | 32% | 36% | 21% | 8% | 3% |
| C. Hispanics | 21% | 42% | 25% | 9% | 4% |
| D. Asians | 9% | 37% | 35% | 14% | 5% |
| E. Women | 16% | 43% | 28% | 10% | 3% |
| F. Gays and lesbians | 36% | 34% | 18% | 8% | 4% |
| G. Transgender people | 40% | 33% | 13% | 8% | 6% |
| H. Christians | 25% | 26% | 26% | 19% | 4% |
| I. Muslims | 39% | 33% | 15% | 9% | 4% |
| J. Men | 8% | 20% | 35% | 32% | 5% |

Political Knowledge

[Randomize INFO1-INFO4]

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

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|---------------------|-----|
| 1. Republican Party | 76% |
| 2. Democratic Party | 9 |
| 3. Neither | 3 |
| 4. Don't know | 12 |

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

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|----------------------------|----|
| 1. More than one-half | 6% |
| 2. More than two-thirds | 70 |
| 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%]**

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|-------------|----|
| 1. 0-10% | 2% |
| 2. 11-20% | 14 |
| 3. 21-30% | 18 |
| 4. 31-40% | 27 |
| 5. 41-50% | 17 |
| 6. 51-60% | 13 |
| 7. 61-70% | 3 |
| 8. 71-80% | 2 |
| 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%]**

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|-------------|-----|
| 1. 0-10% | 12% |
| 2. 11-20% | 41 |
| 3. 21-30% | 23 |
| 4. 31-40% | 12 |
| 5. 41-50% | 2 |
| 6. 51-60% | 1 |
| 7. 61-70% | 1 |
| 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 | 6% |
| 2. Somewhat liberal | 9 |
| 3. Lean liberal | 7 |
| 4. In the middle | 30 |
| 5. Lean conservative | 12 |
| 6. Somewhat conservative | 21 |
| 7. Extremely conservative | 15 |

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

| | |
|----------------|-----|
| 1. Democrat | 39% |
| 2. Independent | 11 |
| 3. Republican | 49 |

PID7.

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|-------------------------------|-----|
| 1. Strong Democrat | 19% |
| 2. Not very strong Democrat | 12 |
| 3. Lean Democrat | 9 |
| 4. Independent | 11 |
| 5. Lean Republican | 15 |
| 6. Not very strong Republican | 13 |
| 7. Strong Republican | 21 |

Demographics

AGE. Please indicate your age group.

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|--------------|-----|
| 1. 18-29 | 15% |
| 2. 30-44 | 23 |
| 3. 45-64 | 38 |
| 4. 65 and up | 23 |

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

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|-------------|-----|
| 1. Urban | 31% |
| 2. Suburban | 48 |
| 3. Rural | 21 |

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

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| 1. Yes, I live in the Houston area. | 22% |
| 2. Yes, I live the Dallas-Fort Worth area | 30 |
| 3. Yes, I live in the San Antonio area | 11 |
| 4. Yes, I live in the Austin area | 8 |
| 5. No, I live in another part of Texas. | 29 |

CHILD. How many children are currently living with you?

| | |
|-----------------|-----|
| 1. One | 15% |
| 2. Two | 12 |
| 3. Three | 5 |
| 4. Four or more | 2 |
| 5. None | 66 |

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

| | |
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| 1. Yes, I have a child/children under 18 enrolled in public school in Texas. | 20% |
| 2. Yes, I have a child/children under 18 enrolled in private school in Texas. | 3 |
| 3. Yes, I have a child/children under 18 who are being home schooled in Texas. | 1 |
| 4. No, I do not have any children under 18 in school in Texas. | 76 |

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

| | |
|----------------------------|----|
| 1. Less than \$10,000 | 4% |
| 2. \$10,000 to \$19,999 | 7 |
| 3. \$20,000 to \$29,999 | 11 |
| 4. \$30,000 to \$39,999 | 13 |
| 5. \$40,000 to \$49,999 | 9 |
| 6. \$50,000 to \$59,999 | 9 |
| 7. \$60,000 to \$69,999 | 5 |
| 8. \$70,000 to \$79,999 | 6 |
| 9. \$80,000 to \$99,999 | 7 |
| 10. \$100,000 to \$119,999 | 5 |
| 11. \$120,000 to \$149,999 | 4 |
| 12. More than \$150,000 | 6 |
| 13. Prefer not to say | 14 |

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

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| 1. Pro-life | 44% |
| 2. Pro-choice | 37 |
| 3. Neither | 12 |
| 4. Don't know | 7 |

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

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|-----------------------------|----|
| 1. Less than high school | 4% |
| 2. High school degree | 28 |
| 3. Some college | 30 |
| 4. Two-year college degree | 10 |
| 5. Four-year college degree | 18 |
| 6. Post-graduate degree | 11 |

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

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| 1. Yes | 28% |
| 2. No | 72 |

RELIG. What is your religious affiliation? **[No open response on “other”]**

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

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

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| 1. Yes | 45% |
| 2. No | 55 |

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

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| 1. The Bible is the actual word of God and is to be taken literally, word for word. | 30% |
| 2. The Bible is the word of God but not everything in it should be taken literally, word for word. | 42 |
| 3. The Bible is a book written by men and is not the word of God. | 21 |
| 4. Don’t know. | 7 |

IMPORT. How important is religion in your life?

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|-------------------------|-----|
| 1. Extremely important | 45% |
| 2. Somewhat important | 28 |
| 3. Not very important | 12 |
| 4. Not at all important | 14 |

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

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|--------------------------|-----|
| 1. More than once a week | 13% |
| 2. Once a week | 19 |
| 3. A few times a month | 14 |
| 4. Once or twice a year | 27 |
| 5. Never | 28 |

RACE1. What race do you consider yourself to be?

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|---------------------------|-----|
| 1. White | 61% |
| 2. African American | 13 |
| 3. Hispanic or Latino | 22 |
| 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?

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| 1. Yes | 3% |
| 2. No | 95 |
| 3. Don't know | 2 |

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

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| 1. Born in the United States or Puerto Rico | 88% |
| 2. Born in another country | 11 |
| 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 | 53% |
| 2. One of my parents was born in another country | 29 |
| 3. Both of my parents were both in another country | 19 |

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

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| 1. Yes | 39% |
| 2. No | 61 |

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 | 0 |
| 3. Arizona | 2 |
| 4. Arkansas | 1 |
| 5. California | 13 |
| 6. Colorado | 2 |
| 7. Connecticut | 0 |
| 8. Delaware | 0 |
| 9. District of Columbia | 0 |
| 10. Florida | 5 |
| 11. Georgia | 4 |
| 12. Hawaii | 0 |
| 13. Idaho | 1 |
| 14. Illinois | 6 |
| 15. Indiana | 2 |
| 16. Iowa | 3 |
| 17. Kansas | 3 |
| 18. Kentucky | 0 |
| 19. Louisiana | 5 |
| 20. Maine | 1 |
| 21. Maryland | 2 |
| 22. Massachusetts | 1 |
| 23. Michigan | 4 |
| 24. Minnesota | 2 |
| 25. Mississippi | 1 |
| 26. Missouri | 2 |
| 27. Montana | 0 |
| 28. Nebraska | 1 |
| 29. Nevada | 1 |
| 30. New Hampshire | 0 |
| 31. New Jersey | 3 |
| 32. New Mexico | 3 |
| 33. New York | 5 |
| 34. North Carolina | 2 |
| 35. North Dakota | 0 |
| 36. Ohio | 2 |
| 37. Oklahoma | 3 |
| 38. Oregon | 1 |
| 39. Pennsylvania | 3 |
| 40. Rhode Island | 0 |
| 41. South Carolina | 0 |
| 42. South Dakota | 0 |

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| 43. Tennessee | 1 |
| 44. Utah | 0 |
| 45. Vermont | 0 |
| 46. Virginia | 2 |
| 47. Washington | 2 |
| 48. West Virginia | 0 |
| 49. Wisconsin | 1 |
| 50. Wyoming | 0 |

HOME. Do you own or rent your home?

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| 1. Own | 71% |
| 2. Rent | 29 |

MARITAL. What is your marital status?

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|-------------------------|-----|
| 1. Married | 54% |
| 2. Separated | 1 |
| 3. Divorced | 10 |
| 4. Widowed | 7 |
| 5. Single | 22 |
| 6. Domestic Partnership | 5 |

GENDER. What is your gender?

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| 1. Male | 47% |
| 2. Female | 53 |