

University of Texas / Texas Tribune Poll
Texas Statewide Survey

Field Dates: October 15-21, 2018

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%
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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	53%
2. Somewhat interested	35
3. Not very interested	7
4. Not at all interested	5
5. Don't know	0

Q3A. 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	39%
2. Almost every election	31
3. About half	11
4. One or two	11
5. None	6
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%.

Q3B. On a 0-10 scale, please rate how likely you are to vote in the upcoming November elections: 10 means you are absolutely certain to vote, 0 means you will definitely NOT vote, and 5 means you may or may not vote.

0 – Definitely will not vote	2%
1	0
2	0
3	1
4	0
5	4
6	2
7	4
8	5
9	5
10 – Absolutely certain to vote	76

Q3C. How enthusiastic would you say you are about voting in the 2018 elections?

1. Extremely enthusiastic	51%
2. Very enthusiastic	21
3. Somewhat enthusiastic	17
4. Not too enthusiastic	9
5. Not at all enthusiastic	3

Most Important Problem

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

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

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

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

[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
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
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
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
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
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
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
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
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. Of the three branches of federal government, which one do you trust the most?

[RANDOMIZE 1-3]

1. The U.S. Congress, the legislative branch 8%
2. The President, the executive branch 29
3. The U.S. Supreme Court, the judicial branch 29
4. Don't know 35

Political Figures and Elections

For Q16 – Q20, respondents were first asked the questions below. If they initially answered that they didn't know, they were then asked a follow-up question: "If you had to make a choice, who would you choose?" Responses to the follow-up questions were folded into the results found below. Likely voters were defined as respondents who indicated that they have voted in every election in the past 2-3 years or that they are "absolutely certain to vote" in the upcoming November election.

N = 927, MOE is +/- 3.22%, MOE is +/- 4.10% if adjusted for weighting

Q16. If the 2018 general election for U.S. Senator from Texas was held today, would you vote for [RANDOMIZE "the Republican Ted Cruz", "the Democrat Beto O'Rourke", "the Libertarian Neal Dikeman"] the Republican Ted Cruz, the Democrat Beto O'Rourke, the Libertarian Neal Dikeman, someone else, or haven't you thought about it enough to have an opinion? [RANDOMIZE 1-3]

In the initial question, 4% said that they hadn't thought enough about the race to have an opinion.

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| 1. Ted Cruz | 51% |
| 2. Beto O'Rourke | 45 |
| 3. Neal Dikeman | 2 |
| 4. Someone else | 2 |

Q17. If the 2018 general election for Governor were held today, would you vote for [RANDOMIZE "the Republican Greg Abbott", "the Democrat Lupe Valdez", "the Libertarian Mark Tippetts"] the Republican Greg Abbott, the Democrat Lupe Valdez, the Libertarian Mark Tippetts, someone else, or haven't you thought about it enough to have an opinion? [RANDOMIZE 1-3]

In the initial question, 5% said that they hadn't thought enough about the race to have an opinion.

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| 1. Greg Abbott | 56% |
| 2. Lupe Valdez | 37 |
| 3. Mark Tippetts | 3 |
| 4. Someone else | 4 |

Q18. If the 2018 general election for Lieutenant Governor were held today, would you vote for **[RANDOMIZE “the Republican Dan Patrick”, “the Democrat Mike Collier”, “the Libertarian Kerry McKennon”]** the Republican Dan Patrick, the Democrat Mike Collier, the Libertarian Kerry McKennon, someone else, or haven’t you thought about it enough to have an opinion? **[RANDOMIZE 1-3]**

In the initial question, 11% said that they hadn’t thought enough about the race to have an opinion

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| 1. Dan Patrick | 53% |
| 2. Mike Collier | 35 |
| 3. Kerry McKennon | 5 |
| 4. Someone else | 7 |

Q19. If the 2018 general election for Attorney General were held today, would you vote for **[RANDOMIZE “the Republican Ken Paxton”, “the Democrat Justin Nelson”, “the Libertarian Michael Ray Harris”]** the Republican Ken Paxton, the Democrat Justin Nelson, the Libertarian Michael Ray Harris, someone else, or haven’t you thought about it enough to have an opinion? **[RANDOMIZE 1-3]**

In the initial question, 12% said that they hadn’t thought enough about the race to have an opinion

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| 1. Ken Paxton | 48% |
| 2. Justin Nelson | 36 |
| 3. Michael Ray Harris | 6 |
| 4. Someone else | 9 |

Q20. If the 2018 election for the Representative in the United States House of Representatives in your district were held today, would you vote for **[RANDOMIZE “the Democratic candidate” and “the Republican candidate”]** the Democratic candidate, the Republican candidate, or haven’t you thought about it enough to have an opinion? **[RANDOMIZE 1-2]**

In the initial question, 5% said that they hadn’t thought enough about the race to have an opinion

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| 1. Democratic candidate | 46% |
| 2. Republican candidate | 54 |

[RANDOMIZE Q21-Q22]

Q21. Regardless of how you intend to vote in the 2018 election, do you feel like the Democratic Party is welcoming to people like you?

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| 1. Yes | 43% |
| 2. No | 49 |
| 3. Don't know/No opinion | 9 |

Among Likely Voters, N = 927, MOE is +/- 3.22%, MOE is +/- 4.10% if adjusted for weighting

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| 1. Yes | 42% |
| 2. No | 53 |
| 3. Don't know/No opinion | 5 |

Q22. Regardless of how you intend to vote in the 2018 election, do you feel like the Republican Party is welcoming to people like you?

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| 1. Yes | 47% |
| 2. No | 44 |
| 3. Don't know/No opinion | 8 |

Among Likely Voters, N = 927, MOE is +/- 3.22%, MOE is +/- 4.10% if adjusted for weighting

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|--------------------------|-----|
| 1. Yes | 51% |
| 2. No | 44 |
| 3. Don't know/No opinion | 5 |

Q23A. 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 | 40% |
| 2. Democratic candidate | 27 |
| 3. Tea Party candidate | 14 |
| 4. Don't know | 19 |

Q23B. 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 | 28% |
| 2. Too little influence | 27 |
| 3. The right amount of influence | 17 |
| 4. Don't know | 28 |

Q24. Did a candidate or political campaign organization contact you during the 2018 election?

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| 1. Yes | 54% |
| 2. No | 38 |
| 3. Don't know/Don't remember | 8 |

Q25A. **[ASK IF Q24 ==1]** Were you contacted by...**[RANDOMIZE A-B]**

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|-------------------|-----|
| 1. Republicans | 17% |
| 2. Democrats | 44 |
| 3. Both | 36 |
| 4. Don't remember | 3 |

Q25B. **[ASK IF Q24 ==1]** How did these candidate or campaigns contact you? Please check all that apply

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|---------------------------------|-----|
| A. In-person | 21% |
| B. Phone call | 50 |
| C. Email or text message | 70 |
| D. Letter or post card | 47 |
| E. Social media message or post | 19 |

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

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|--------------------------------------|-----|
| 1. Very favorable | 36% |
| 2. Somewhat favorable | 9 |
| 3. Neither favorable nor unfavorable | 9 |
| 4. Somewhat unfavorable | 6 |
| 5. Very unfavorable | 34 |
| 6. Don't know/no opinion | 7 |

Q27. Based on what you know, if you were a U.S. Senator, would you have voted to confirm Brett Kavanaugh to the U.S. Supreme Court, or not?

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| 1. Yes, would vote to confirm | 54% |
| 2. No, would not vote to confirm | 46 |

[RANDOMIZE Q28-Q29]

Q28. Please tell us whether you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, neither favorable nor unfavorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion of Greg Abbott.

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|--------------------------------------|-----|
| 1. Very favorable | 38% |
| 2. Somewhat favorable | 14 |
| 3. Neither favorable nor unfavorable | 9 |
| 4. Somewhat unfavorable | 9 |
| 5. Very unfavorable | 22 |
| 6. Don't know/no opinion | 7 |

Among Likely Voters, N = 927, MOE is +/- 3.22%, MOE is +/- 4.10% if adjusted for weighting

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|--------------------------------------|-----|
| 1. Very favorable | 44% |
| 2. Somewhat favorable | 12 |
| 3. Neither favorable nor unfavorable | 6 |
| 4. Somewhat unfavorable | 10 |
| 5. Very unfavorable | 25 |
| 6. Don't know/no opinion | 3 |

Q29. Please tell us whether you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, neither favorable nor unfavorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion of Lupe Valdez.

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|--------------------------------------|-----|
| 1. Very favorable | 12% |
| 2. Somewhat favorable | 18 |
| 3. Neither favorable nor unfavorable | 17 |
| 4. Somewhat unfavorable | 8 |
| 5. Very unfavorable | 24 |
| 6. Don't know/no opinion | 21 |

Among Likely Voters, N = 927, MOE is +/- 3.22%, MOE is +/- 4.10% if adjusted for weighting

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|--------------------------------------|-----|
| 1. Very favorable | 14% |
| 2. Somewhat favorable | 17 |
| 3. Neither favorable nor unfavorable | 16 |
| 4. Somewhat unfavorable | 9 |
| 5. Very unfavorable | 29 |
| 6. Don't know/no opinion | 15 |

[RANDOMIZE Q30-Q31]

Q30. 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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|--------------------------------------|-----|
| 1. Very favorable | 35% |
| 2. Somewhat favorable | 12 |
| 3. Neither favorable nor unfavorable | 6 |
| 4. Somewhat unfavorable | 6 |
| 5. Very unfavorable | 36 |
| 6. Don't know/no opinion | 6 |

Among Likely Voters, N = 927, MOE is +/- 3.22%, MOE is +/- 4.10% if adjusted for weighting

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|--------------------------------------|-----|
| 1. Very favorable | 40% |
| 2. Somewhat favorable | 11 |
| 3. Neither favorable nor unfavorable | 2 |
| 4. Somewhat unfavorable | 5 |
| 5. Very unfavorable | 39 |
| 6. Don't know/no opinion | 2 |

Q31. 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	30%
2. Somewhat favorable	13
3. Neither favorable nor unfavorable	7
4. Somewhat unfavorable	6
5. Very unfavorable	38
6. Don't know/no opinion	6

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1. Very favorable	35%
2. Somewhat favorable	11
3. Neither favorable nor unfavorable	3
4. Somewhat unfavorable	6
5. Very unfavorable	44
6. Don't know/no opinion	2

[RANDOMIZE Q32-Q33]

Q32. Please tell us whether you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, neither favorable nor unfavorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion of the FBI.

1. Very favorable	11%
2. Somewhat favorable	27
3. Neither favorable nor unfavorable	24
4. Somewhat unfavorable	21
5. Very unfavorable	10
6. Don't know/no opinion	6

Q33. Please tell us whether you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, neither favorable nor unfavorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion of the #MeToo movement.

1. Very favorable	20%
2. Somewhat favorable	17
3. Neither favorable nor unfavorable	17
4. Somewhat unfavorable	13
5. Very unfavorable	25
6. Don't know/no opinion	8

Q34. Do you think Donald Trump...

	Yes	No	Don't Know
A. has the temperament to serve effectively as president?	44%	50%	6%
B. is honest and trustworthy?	41	51	8
C. is competent?	51	45	5
D. cares about people like you?	44	51	6
E. is a strong leader?	51	46	3
F. is knowledgeable?	49	47	4

Policy Questions

[RANDOMIZE Q35A-Q35C]

Q35A. Do you approve or disapprove of how Donald Trump has handled trade negotiations?

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|-----------------------------------|-----|
| 1. Approve strongly | 34% |
| 2. Approve somewhat | 13 |
| 3. Neither approve nor disapprove | 8 |
| 4. Disapprove somewhat | 8 |
| 5. Disapprove strongly | 35 |
| 6. Don't know | 3 |

Q35B. Do you approve or disapprove of how Donald Trump has handled immigration and border security?

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|-----------------------------------|-----|
| 1. Approve strongly | 32% |
| 2. Approve somewhat | 15 |
| 3. Neither approve nor disapprove | 6 |
| 4. Disapprove somewhat | 6 |
| 5. Disapprove strongly | 39 |
| 6. Don't know | 2 |

Q35C. Do you approve or disapprove of how Donald Trump has handled the selection of judicial nominees, including to the U.S. Supreme Court?

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|-----------------------------------|-----|
| 1. Approve strongly | 39% |
| 2. Approve somewhat | 10 |
| 3. Neither approve nor disapprove | 6 |
| 4. Disapprove somewhat | 7 |
| 5. Disapprove strongly | 36 |
| 6. Don't know | 3 |

Q36. Have you noticed an increase in your paycheck as a result of the new tax law passed at the end of last year?

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| 1. Yes | 31% |
| 2. No | 52 |
| 3. Don't know/No opinion | 17 |

Q37. How satisfied are you with the health care system in the United States?

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|--------------------------|----|
| 1. Very satisfied | 7% |
| 2. Somewhat satisfied | 28 |
| 3. Not very satisfied | 27 |
| 4. Not at all satisfied | 31 |
| 5. Don't know/No opinion | 6 |

Q39. Thinking about legal immigration, do you think the United States allows too many people to immigrate here from other countries, too few, or about the right amount?

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|---------------------------|-----|
| 1. Too many | 45% |
| 2. Too few | 18 |
| 3. About the right amount | 25 |
| 4. Don't know/No opinion | 12 |

Q40. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: Undocumented immigrants currently living in the United States should be deported immediately.

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|----------------------|-----|
| 1. Strongly agree | 32% |
| 2. Somewhat agree | 22 |
| 3. Somewhat disagree | 19 |
| 4. Strongly disagree | 26 |

Q41. In your opinion, has the Trump administration gone too far in enforcing federal immigration laws, has it been about right, or has it not gone far enough?

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|------------------------|-----|
| 1. Gone too far | 41% |
| 2. Been about right | 20 |
| 3. Not gone far enough | 33 |
| 4. Don't know | 6 |

[RANDOMIZE Q42A-Q42B]

Q42A. In your opinion, how much discrimination is there against men in the United States today?

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|--------------------------|-----|
| 1. A lot | 19% |
| 2. Some | 24 |
| 3. Not very much | 31 |
| 4. None at all | 20 |
| 5. Don't know/No opinion | 6 |

Q42B. In your opinion, how much discrimination is there against women in the United States today?

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|--------------------------|-----|
| 1. A lot | 30% |
| 2. Some | 30 |
| 3. Not very much | 26 |
| 4. None at all | 7 |
| 5. Don't know/No opinion | 6 |

Q43. And in your opinion, who faces the MOST discrimination in the United States today?

[RANDOMIZE 1-2]

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|--------------------------|-----|
| 1. Women | 55% |
| 2. Men | 25 |
| 3. Don't know/No opinion | 20 |

[RANDOMIZE Q44A-Q44C]

Q44A. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: *The recent attention paid to the sexual harassment and assault of women in America is helping to address the issue of gender inequality.*

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|--------------------------|-----|
| 1. Strongly agree | 17% |
| 2. Somewhat agree | 29 |
| 3. Somewhat disagree | 18 |
| 4. Strongly disagree | 24 |
| 5. Don't know/no opinion | 13 |

Q44B. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: *The recent attention paid to the sexual harassment and assault of women in America is leading to the unfair treatment of men.*

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|--------------------------|-----|
| 1. Strongly agree | 22% |
| 2. Somewhat agree | 28 |
| 3. Somewhat disagree | 12 |
| 4. Strongly disagree | 28 |
| 5. Don't know/no opinion | 10 |

Q44C. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: *The recent attention paid to the sexual harassment and assault of women in America is going to improve the lives of most women.*

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|--------------------------|-----|
| 1. Strongly agree | 11% |
| 2. Somewhat agree | 30 |
| 3. Somewhat disagree | 25 |
| 4. Strongly disagree | 20 |
| 5. Don't know/no opinion | 14 |

Q45. In general, how often do you think women falsely accuse men of sexual misconduct?

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|--------------------------|-----|
| 1. Almost never | 18% |
| 2. Occasionally | 40 |
| 3. Somewhat frequently | 23 |
| 4. Very frequently | 12 |
| 5. Don't know/no opinion | 7 |

Q46. 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. | 29 |
| 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. | 12 |
| 4. By law, a woman should always be able to obtain an abortion as a matter of personal choice. | 39 |
| 5. Don't know | 5 |

Political Knowledge

[Randomize INFO1-INFO3]

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

[RANDOMIZE 1-2]

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|---------------------|-----|
| 1. Republican Party | 86% |
| 2. Democratic Party | 6 |
| 3. Neither | 2 |
| 4. Don't know | 7 |

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

INFO3. Which Justice most recently retired from the U.S. Supreme Court? [RANDOMIZE 1-4]

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|------------------------|-----|
| 1. Anthony Kennedy | 61% |
| 2. Antonin Scalia | 11 |
| 3. Mike Pence | 3 |
| 4. Ruth Bader Ginsburg | 5 |
| 5. Don't know | 21 |

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	12%
2. Somewhat liberal	8
3. Lean liberal	7
4. In the middle	24
5. Lean conservative	9
6. Somewhat conservative	17
7. Extremely conservative	23

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	20%
2. Not very strong Democrat	12
3. Lean Democrat	11
4. Independent	10
5. Lean Republican	15
6. Not very strong Republican	9
7. Strong Republican	25

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	53%
2. Too conservative	7
3. Not conservative enough	35
4. Don't know/No opinion	6

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	38%
2. Too liberal	7
3. Not liberal enough	35
4. Don't know/No opinion	21

Demographics

AGE. Please indicate your age group.

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|--------------|-----|
| 1. 18-29 | 17% |
| 2. 30-44 | 25 |
| 3. 45-64 | 36 |
| 4. 65 and up | 22 |

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

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|-------------|----|
| 1. Urban | 29 |
| 2. Suburban | 53 |
| 3. Rural | 18 |

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. | 24% |
| 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 | 10 |
| 5. No, I live in another part of Texas. | 29 |

CHILD. How many children are currently living with you?

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|-----------------|-----|
| 1. One | 16% |
| 2. Two | 13 |
| 3. Three | 6 |
| 4. Four or more | 3 |
| 5. None | 62 |

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. | 22% |
| 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. | 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	4%
2. \$10,000 to \$19,999	6
3. \$20,000 to \$29,999	9
4. \$30,000 to \$39,999	9
5. \$40,000 to \$49,999	8
6. \$50,000 to \$59,999	11
7. \$60,000 to \$69,999	7
8. \$70,000 to \$79,999	7
9. \$80,000 to \$99,999	7
10. \$100,000 to \$119,999	6
11. \$120,000 to \$149,999	6
12. More than \$150,000	6
13. Prefer not to say	13

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

1. Pro-life	44%
2. Pro-choice	39
3. Neither	12
4. 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	23
4. Two-year college degree	9
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*	2
3. Atheist	5
4. Baptist*	16
5. Born again	3
6. Buddhist	0
7. Catholic*	18
8. Christian Scientist*	0
9. Church of Christ*	2
10. Church of God*	0
11. Disciples of Christ*	1
12. Episcopal/Anglican*	2
13. Evangelical	1
14. Hindu	0
15. Jehovah’s Witnesses	1
16. Jewish	1
17. Lutheran*	1
18. Methodist*	3
19. Mormon*	1
20. Muslim/Islam	0
21. Nondenominational Christian*	7
22. Orthodox/Eastern Orthodox*	0
23. Pentecostal/charismatic/spirit-filled*	1
24. Presbyterian*	1
25. Protestant (non-specific)*	3
26. Reformed*	0
27. Unitarian/Universalist*	0
28. United Church of Christ*	0
29. Religious but not spiritual	0
30. Spiritual but not religious	7
31. No religious affiliation/none	11
32. Other*	3
33. Don’t know	1

RELIG2. What is your secondary religious affiliation, if any? **[No open response on “other”]**

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

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.	31%
2. The Bible is the word of God but not everything in it should be taken literally, word for word.	37
3. The Bible is a book written by men and is not the word of God.	24
4. Don’t know.	8

IMPORT. How important is religion in your life?

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|-------------------------|-----|
| 1. Extremely important | 44% |
| 2. Somewhat important | 27 |
| 3. Not very important | 13 |
| 4. Not at all important | 17 |

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 | 21 |
| 3. A few times a month | 10 |
| 4. Once or twice a year | 26 |
| 5. Never | 30 |

RACE1. What race do you consider yourself to be?

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|---------------------------|-----|
| 1. White | 59% |
| 2. African American | 14 |
| 3. Hispanic or Latino | 22 |
| 4. Asian/Pacific Islander | 1 |
| 5. Native American | 1 |
| 6. Multi-racial | 1 |
| 7. Other | 0 |
| 8. Middle Eastern | 0 |

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

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|---------------|----|
| 1. Yes | 1% |
| 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?

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|---|-----|
| 1. Born in the United States or Puerto Rico | 83% |
| 2. Born in another country | 15 |
| 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?

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|---|-----|
| 1. Both of my parents were born in the United States or Puerto Rico | 61% |
| 2. One of my parents was born in another country | 27 |
| 3. Both of my parents were both in another country | 13 |

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

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|--------|-----|
| 1. Yes | 43% |
| 2. No | 57 |

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 | 3 |
| 4. Arkansas | 2 |
| 5. California | 14 |
| 6. Colorado | 3 |
| 7. Connecticut | 1 |
| 8. Delaware | 1 |
| 9. District of Columbia | 1 |
| 10. Florida | 6 |
| 11. Georgia | 3 |
| 12. Idaho | 1 |
| 13. Illinois | 4 |
| 14. Indiana | 3 |
| 15. Iowa | 2 |
| 16. Kansas | 2 |
| 17. Kentucky | 1 |
| 18. Louisiana | 8 |
| 19. Maryland | 1 |
| 20. Massachusetts | 2 |
| 21. Michigan | 2 |
| 22. Minnesota | 0 |
| 23. Mississippi | 1 |
| 24. Missouri | 3 |
| 25. Montana | 0 |
| 26. Nebraska | 1 |
| 27. Nevada | 1 |
| 28. New Hampshire | 0 |
| 29. New Jersey | 1 |
| 30. New Mexico | 2 |
| 31. New York | 4 |
| 32. North Carolina | 1 |
| 33. North Dakota | 1 |
| 34. Ohio | 3 |
| 35. Oklahoma | 3 |
| 36. Oregon | 1 |
| 37. Pennsylvania | 2 |
| 38. Rhode Island | 1 |
| 39. South Carolina | 3 |
| 40. South Dakota | 0 |
| 41. Tennessee | 1 |
| 42. Utah | 0 |
| 43. Vermont | 0 |

44. Virginia	3
45. Washington	0
46. Wisconsin	2
47. Wyoming	0
48. Puerto Rico	0
49. 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	0%
2. Military veteran	13
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?

1. Own	68%
2. Rent	32

MARITAL. What is your marital status?

1. Married	55%
2. Separated	1
3. Divorced	10
4. Widowed	5
5. Single	24
6. Domestic Partnership	5

GENDER. What is your gender?

1. Male	46%
2. Female	54