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Texas Voter Sample

Field Dates: February 22 – March 2, 2021

N= 1210 Adults (Registered Voters)
Margin of error: +/- 2.84% (adjusted to 1,190)

Survey of Texas Voters

Do you consider yourself to be a Republican, Democrat, or neither?

Code		Total	Hispanic	Black	White
1	Democrat	32	43%	62%	21%
2	Republican	37	22	11	49
3	Neither	31	34	27	29
	Total =	1190	259	151	680

[If Republican or Democrat] Do you consider yourself to be a strong [Republican/ Democrat] or not strong [Republican/ Democrat]?
OR [If independent, no preference, or other party] Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican Party or to the Democratic Party?

Code		Total	Hispanic	Black	White
1	Strong Democrat	20%	23%	44%	15%
2	Not strong Democrat	11	20	18	6
3	Lean Democratic, Independent	8	9	10	6
4	Lean to no Party, Independent	13	16	11	11
5	Lean Republican, Independent	11	9	6	12
6	Not strong Republican	11	9	3	14
7	Strong Republican	26	13	9	35
	Total =	1190	259	150	678

Using a 7-point scale where 1 is extremely liberal and 7 is extremely conservative, how would you rate your political views.

Code		Weighted	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.
1	Extremely Liberal	8%	17%	4%	2%
2	Liberal	10	22	6	2
3	Slightly Liberal	6	14	6	1
4	Moderate, Middle of the Road	28	31	41	16
5	Slightly Conservative	10	5	13	11
6	Conservative	18	4	13	36
7	Extremely Conservative	14	4	6	29
8	Don't Know	6	3	11	4
	Total =	1190	375	374	441

In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job President Joe Biden has done in his first month in office?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	Hisp.	Black	White
5	Strongly Approve	29%	67%	18%	5%	31%	53%	23%
4	Approve	18	23	24	9	24	26	13
3	Neither	14	8	22	12	20	11	11
2	Disapprove	9	2	9	14	9	4	10
1	Strongly Disapprove	31	1	26	61	16	6	43
	Total =	1181	372	369	440	257	150	674

In general, do you approve or disapprove of the way Governor Greg Abbott is handing his job as Governor?

Code		Weighted	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	Hisp.	Black	White
5	Strongly Approve	22%	10%	14%	39%	17%	8%	27%
4	Approve	30	23	30	34	23	26	34
3	Neither	17	15	22	15	27	20	12
2	Disapprove	13	17	15	8	13	19	12
1	Strongly Disapprove	18	34	19	5	20	28	15
	Total =	1181	373	369	440	257	150	674

In general, do you approve or disapprove of the way Lt. Governor Dan Patrick is handling his job as Lieutenant Governor?

Code		Weighted	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	Hisp.	Black	White
5	Strongly Approve	16%	8%	9%	27%	12%	10%	19%
4	Approve	22	13	18	32	16	17	25
3	Neither	35	32	44	30	46	42	29
2	Disapprove	8	13	7	5	9	11	7
1	Strongly Disapprove	19	43	22	5	18	21	20
	Total =	1181	372	369	440	257	150	674

In general, do you approve or disapprove of the way Attorney General Ken Paxton is handling his job as Attorney General?

Code		Weighted	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	Hisp.	Black	White
5	Strongly Approve	15%	6%	9%	27%	9%	9%	18%
4	Approve	21	17	19	28	20	24	22
3	Neither	35	33	37	35	43	31	32
2	Disapprove	10	13	12	6	13	12	9
1	Strongly Disapprove	19	31	24	5	15	24	19
	Total =	1182	373	369	440	257	150	674

In light of recent headline news about Attorney General Ken Paxton, do you agree or disagree that he has the integrity to serve as attorney general?

Code		Weighted	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	Men	Women
1	I agree	32%	27%	22%	44%	37%	26%
0	I disagree	29	47	34	10	33	26
8	Unsure	39	26	44	47	30	48
	Total =	1180	371	369	440	562	613

Is your impression of Senator John Cornyn favorable, unfavorable, or don't know?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	Hisp.	Black	White
5	Very favorable	16%	9%	7%	29%	10%	11%	19%
4	Somewhat favorable	24	13	23	34	13	16	29
3	Neither	22	21	27	20	36	23	18
2	Somewhat unfavorable	14	20	29	6	18	21	14
1	Very unfavorable	12	25	11	2	9	14	12
8	Don't Know Enough	11	11	14	8	14	15	9
	Total =	1171	369	365	437	252	148	673

Is your impression of Senator Ted Cruz favorable, unfavorable, or don't know?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	Hisp.	Black	White
5	Very favorable	23%	6%	15%	45%	12%	12%	30%
4	Somewhat favorable	19	10	19	25	20	14	21
3	Neither	9	8	12	9	17	9	7
2	Somewhat unfavorable	9	8	10	9	9	8	9
1	Very unfavorable	36	65	39	8	38	52	31
8	Don't Know Enough	3	2	4	4	5	4	2
	Total =	1171	369	365	437	252	148	673

Is your impression of Beto O'Rourke favorable, unfavorable, or don't know?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	Hisp.	Black	White
5	Very favorable	19%	47%	9%	4%	22%	37%	15%
4	Somewhat favorable	18	28	20	6	23	28	12
3	Neither	14	11	21	11	21	14	12
2	Somewhat unfavorable	9	5	10	13	10	4	10
1	Very unfavorable	33	5	31	59	20	11	44
8	Don't Know Enough	7	4	10	7	5	6	7
	Total =	1171	369	365	437	252	148	673

Is your impression of Vice President Kamala Harris favorable, unfavorable, or don't know?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	Hisp.	Black	White
5	Very favorable	25%	60%	16%	3%	25%	56%	18%
4	Somewhat favorable	17	24	22	7	24	24	12
3	Neither	11	10	16	8	24	8	10
2	Somewhat unfavorable	9	2	12	11	18	4	9
1	Very unfavorable	34	3	27	65	9	7	46
8	Don't Know Enough	4	1	6	5	20	1	4
	Total =	1171	369	365	437	252	148	673

Is your impression of Donald Trump favorable, unfavorable, or don't know?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	Hisp.	Black	White
5	Very favorable	27%	5%	16%	56%	17%	12%	35%
4	Somewhat favorable	16	5	17	23	12	8	19
3	Neither	8	5	11	8	13	8	7
2	Somewhat unfavorable	9	7	15	6	13	8	8
1	Very unfavorable	38	76	38	5	43	61	30
8	Don't Know Enough	2	2	2	1	1	4	1
	Total =	1171	369	365	437	252	148	673

Did Governor Greg Abbott respond to the crisis from electricity and utility outages due to February's winter storm – very well, well, not well, not well at all?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	Lost Utilities	No Utilities lost
4	Very well	18%	14%	11%	27%	16%	22%
3	Well	35	21	33	48	35	35
2	Not well	24	29	27	17	24	25
1	Not well at all	22	35	27	7	24	18
5	Don't know	1	1	2	1	1	1
	Total =	1168	368	365	435	777	392

Did state and local officials provide adequate information about the potential of power and utility outages for the public to be prepared?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	Utilities lost	No Utilities lost
1	Yes	32%	24%	27%	43%	29%	39%
0	No	66	74	71	55	69	60
8	Don't Know	2	1	2	2	2	1
	Total =	1166	367	365	434	777	392

Should Texas improve the capacity of its electric grid or find ways to share with the neighboring electricity networks?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.
1	Improve its grid	70%	59%	67%	81%
2	Share with neighboring electricity grids	21	33	21	10
8	Don't Know	10	7	12	10
	Total =	1168	368	365	435

In 2020, natural gas and renewable resources made up 73% of Texas's electricity production. Should the state take action to modernize coal-fired energy plants, expand natural gas and renewable energy, or neither?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.
1	Modernize Coal-fired plants	16%	11%	15%	20%
2	Expand natural gas only	13	9	12	18
3	Expand renewable energy only	17	30	13	10
4	Expand natural gas and renewable energy	41	39	39	44
8	Neither	13	12	21	8
	Total =	1163	368	364	431

At the location you currently reside, did you lose electrical power or water for a prolonged period of time during the recent winter storm?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	Hisp.	Black	White
0	No long term disruption in service	34%	31%	31%	39%	26%	26%	39%
1	Lost electricity (only)	24	27	24	22	32	21	21
2	Lost water (only)	10	11	8	10	8	10	10
3	Lost electricity and water	33	32	37	30	35	43	30
	Total =	1164	368	364	432	252	147	666

The Governor advocated that the Texas legislator prioritize five issues early in the session. Which issue do you believe should be the highest priority for the state?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	Hisp.	Black	White
1	Election Integrity	35%	31%	32%	41%	30%	39%	36%
5	Protect businesses from COVID-19 lawsuits	23	21	27	20	28	25	20
3	Penalize cities that reduce police budgets	18	10	15	28	17	9	21
4	High-speed internet for rural areas	15	26	14	8	14	14	15
2	Bail reform	8	11	11	3	10	12	6
8	Don't know/Refused	1	1	1	1	0	0	2
	Total =	1159	364	364	431	252	147	666

Should your school district offer virtual learning programs as an option after the COVID-19 pandemic or return to completely in-person learning?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	Parent of a child	No child in school
1	A fully virtual curriculum should be available to those that want it	29%	45%	25%	18%	40%	24%
2	A hybrid	28	35	26	25	29	27
3	All students should return to campus	41	19	46	56	29	47
8	Don't know	2	1	3	1	2	1
	Total =	1151	365	359	427	332	791

Texas law allows individuals to openly carry a gun on the hip and shoulder or conceal the handgun if the person has an approved permit. Should Texas change its law to allow individuals to conceal their handgun without a permit?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	Owns Gun	No Gun	Favors NRA	Men	Women
1	Yes	23%	19%	25%	23%	32%	17%	32%	30%	16%
0	No	64	70	63	60	56	67	55	58	70
3	Depends	13	11	12	16	11	15	12	12	14
	Total =	1149	364	359	427	349	618	439	552	594

Currently Texas judges can deny bail if a person has a prior felony conviction, should a judge be allowed to deny bail to any person deemed to be dangerous?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	Hisp.	Black	White	Bail Reform (MIP)
1	Yes	68%	66%	64%	73%	63%	59%	73%	58%
0	No	13	14	13	13	19	13%	11	15
3	Depends	19	20	22	14	18	28%	17	27
	Total =	1146	363	358	425	246	146	655	92

Do you agree or disagree that requirements beyond signature verification of absentee ballots are necessary to increase election integrity?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	Election Integrity (MIP)	Over 65
5	Strongly support	41%	18%	36%	64%	53%	46%
4	Support	22	25	20	20	21	16
3	Neutral	20	25	27	11	14	14
2	Oppose	9	18	8	2	7	10
1	Strongly oppose	8	14	9	3	5	13
	Total =	1143	361	359	423	400	259

Do you support or oppose the state of Texas withholding sales tax revenue from cities that redirect funds from a police budget to support other community programs?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	Metro (1 mil)	Penalize (MIP)
5	Strongly support	26%	14%	19%	42%	27%	44%
4	Support	20	18	20	22	19	20
3	Neutral	25	28	26	20	25	23
2	Oppose	15	20	14	10	15	6
1	Strongly oppose	15	20	20	7	15	7
	Total =	1146	364	360	423	788	205

Do you support or oppose the state of Texas taking control of a city's police if a city redirects funds from a police budget to support other community programs?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	Metro (1 mil)	Penalize (MIP)
5	Strongly support	23%	14%	19%	34%	23%	42%
4	Support	21	21	19	24	22	18
3	Neutral	24	25	27	22	22	22
2	Oppose	15	18	16	12	15	12
1	Strongly oppose	16	22	20	7	17	6
	Total =	1141	362	360	420	779	202

Currently, sports betting is only allowed on horse racing at licensed tracks in Texas. Would you support or oppose a Texas law to legalize sports betting on sporting events?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	Women	White Evangelical
1	Support	43%	47%	40%	42%	31%	26%
0	Oppose	26	26	21	31	32	44
3	Does not matter to me	31	27	39	27	37	30
	Total =	1138	360	359	427	587	191

Would you support or oppose allowing casino gambling in Texas?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	Women	White Evangelical
1	Support	57%	66%	59%	50%	49%	52%
0	Oppose	29	17	28	38	34	38
3	Does not matter to me	13	17	12	12	17	10
	Total =	650*	157	246	247	337	108

*The question was asked to 300 online respondents and 350 phone respondents. Responses were reweighted to match the registered voter population.

And how much would expanding gambling to Texas help the overall state economy – a great deal, some, not much, or not at all?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	Support Sports Bet	Support Casinos
3	A great deal	31%	36%	22%	34%	49%	50%
2	Fair amount	34	31	38	34	40	43
1	Not too much	13	13	13	12	8	5
0	Not at all	9	7	11	9	1	0
8	Don't know	14	14	17	11	1	2
	Total =	1141	362	360	419	491	372

Should sports teams be required to play the national anthem before games – yes it should be required or no not at all?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.
1	Yes, the anthem should be required	66%	53%	54%	88%
0	No, no requirement at all	34	47	46	12
	Total =	1140	361	360	419

To keep your community healthy and safe during the coronavirus pandemic, how much do you trust President Biden?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	Hisp.	Black	White
3	A great deal	28%	61%	20%	7%	28%	55%	22%
2	Fair amount	23	28	32	12	33	30	18
1	Not too much	15	5	16	22	15	7	16
0	No confidence	31	4	27	57	19	5	41
8	Don't know	3	2	5	3	4	3	3
	Total =	1134	362	355	417	242	147	649

To keep your community healthy and safe during the coronavirus pandemic, how much do you trust Governor Abbott?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	Hisp.	Black	White
3	A great deal	20%	9%	14%	35%	15%	17%	23%
2	Fair amount	33	23	34	40	30	22	38
1	Not too much	23	30	25	16	29	30	19
0	No confidence	19	34	20	35	19	26	16
8	Don't know	5	4	8	4	7	5	4
	Total =	1131	360	355	416	241	147	647

Have you worn a mask in the past 7 days?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	18-34	35-44	45-64	65+
0	No	7%	7%	5%	8%	10%	7%	5%	5%
1	Yes	92	89	95	91	86	89	94	95
99	Refused	2	3	1	1	3	4	1	0
	Total	1134	361	355	418	292	183	400	259

[If Yes] Why did you begin wearing a mask? Select All that Apply.

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	18-34	35-44	45-64	65+
1	To protect myself and others	83%	94%	81%	76%	88%	81%	76%	91%
2	Local businesses post signs requiring masks	50	43	52	55	56	44	52	45
3	Because of the statewide mandate	34	31	35	37	36	32	38	30
7	Other	4	3	7	3	4	2	6	3
	Total =	1060	358	352	393	285	180	393	259

[If No] Did you not wear a mask, because: Select All that Apply.

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	Men	Women
1	You did not go out in public	46%	60%	47%	35%	41%	53%
2	You have not worn a mask for a while	21	24	6	26	22	21
3	Masks in public are optional where you live	29	15	43	34	26	31
7	Other/not provided	18	9	11	30	18	19
	Total =	77	27	16	34	42	34

If the COVID-19 vaccine becomes available to you, would you take it?

Code		Total	Metro	Large Town	Mid-Size Town	Small Town, Rural
4	I have received the vaccine	21%	21%	20%	20%	23%
3	Definitely	36	39	30	24	33
2	Probably	17	17	19	17	16
1	Unlikely	10	8	13	11	12
0	No	16	15	17	28	16
	Total =	1132	776	167	63	151

[If No was not answered to taking the vaccine] What location are you most likely to visit to have the vaccine administered?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	18-34	35-44	45-64	65+
1	Your Doctor's Office	32%	31%	31%	35%	38%	37%	34%	21%
2	Local Pharmacy	16	16	14	18	22	17	16	11
3	Corporate Pharmacy	5	5	4	6	5	6	4	6
4	Public distribution site	14	14	14	14	5	14	12	26
5	First available location	33	34	37	27	30	26	35	36
	Total =	1015	338	291	347	239	155	339	244

How confident are you that doses of coronavirus vaccines have been fairly and equitably distributed to eligible residents in Texas?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	Hisp.	Black	White
3	A great deal	18%	20%	11%	22%	16%	17%	19%
2	Fair amount	37	37	40	35	43	40	35
1	Not too much	23	24	26	19	23	23	22
0	No confidence	11	9	12	11	9	11	11
8	Don't know	11	9	12	12	9	9	13
	Total =	1130	360	353	417	241	146	648

How would you describe your personal economic situation today compared to before March of last year?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	Hisp.	Black	White
1	Much worse today	14%	15%	14%	14%	15%	25%	10%
2	Slightly worse today	19	20	17	21	26	14	18
3	Essentially the same	51	46	54	53	47	29	58
4	Slightly improved from last March	11	14	12	8	9	24	9
5	Greatly improved from last March	4	5	3	5	3	8	5
	Total =	1128	358	352	418	240	146	648

In your opinion did the Senate's acquittal of President Donald Trump clear him of all wrongdoing related to the insurrection at the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021?

	February 2021	In February 2020
Yes	45%	44%
No	41	54
Not sure	15	2
Total =	1,128	

What is your main source of news?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.
1	National broadcast (ABC, CBS, NBC, PBS)	20%	27%	18%	17%
2	Cable News (CNN, Fox News, MSNBC)	23	25	15	29
3	Local television news	20	16	19	24
4	National newspapers (New York Times, Washington Post, etc.)	3	4	4	1
5	Local newspapers (Austin American-Statesman, Dallas Morning News, etc.)	4	3	3	4
6	Radio or Radio Broadcasts (NPR, Talk Radio)	6	4	8	5
7	Social media	12	12	14	11
8	Spanish News (Telemundo, Univision, etc.)	1	0	2	0
9	Other	12	8	18	9
	Total =	1127	359	353	416

Which cable news network do you watch most?

Code		Total	18-24 yrs	25-34 yrs	35-44 yrs	45-64 yrs	65 yrs, plus
1	CNN	29%	53%	52%	36%	23%	14%
2	Fox News Channel	47	44	34	29	55	56
3	MSNBC	10	2	7	22	3	13
4	Newsmax	7	0	0	10	11	7
5	OAN	1	0	3	0	2	1
7	Other cable news network	5	0	4	3	5	9
	Total =	261	19	33	48	83	78

Which social media platform do you primarily get your news from?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.
1	Facebook	41%	33%	23%	68%
2	Instagram	6	16	4	0
3	LinkedIn	0	0	0	0
4	Reddit	7	5	14	0
5	Snapchat	2	5	2	0
6	TikTok	2	1	0	2
7	Twitter	16	25	20	4
8	YouTube	16	13	17	18
9	WhatsApp	0	0	0	0
10	Other	11	2	20	8
	Total =	138	42	51	45

[If news is from social networks] On social networking cites, do you follow any newspapers, news organizations, or news channels (For example: ABC News, Dallas Morning News)?

Code		Total
1	Yes	53%
0	No	47
	Total =	138

[If news is from social networks] On social networking cites, do you follow individual journalists who produce pieces for newspapers, news organizations or news channels

Code		Total
1	Yes	29%
0	No	70
	Total =	138

Which source of radio news do you listen to most?

Code		Total
1	News Talk Radio (ABC, CBS, Fox News, etc.)	30%
2	Public Radio (NPR, BBC, etc.)	48
3	Sports Talk Radio (ESPN, Fox Sports, NBC Sports, etc.)	0
4	Other	22
	Total =	65

Do you have a favorable, unfavorable or neutral view of the Local Police?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.
2	Favorable	67%	47%	66%	85%
1	Neutral	24	37	24	13
0	Unfavorable	9	16	10	2
	Total =	1121	356	349	416

Do you have a favorable, unfavorable or neutral view of the National Rifle Association?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.
2	Favorable	39%	15%	32%	66%
1	Neutral	33	34	38	28
0	Unfavorable	28	51	30	6
	Total =	1119	356	348	415

Do you have a favorable, unfavorable or neutral view of the Black Lives Matter movement?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.
2	Favorable	35%	65%	32%	11%
1	Neutral	29	27	23	27
0	Unfavorable	36	9	34	62
	Total =	1120	355	349	415

In November, did you vote for Donald Trump, Joe Biden, another candidate or not vote?

Code		Total	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	Hisp.	Black	White	Men	Women
1	Donald Trump	43%	5%	30%	86%	30%	11%	56%	45%	41%
2	Joe Biden	38	82	32	6	43	62	30	39	37
3	Someone else	4	2	8	1	5	4	3	5	2
4	Did not vote	11	8	22	4	15	16	8	9	13
99	Refused	4	2	7	3	7	6	3	3	6
	Total =	1125	358	351	416	239	146	647	543	578

Which of the following best describes your employment last week?

Code		Total	Hisp.	Black	White	Men	Women
9	Retired	28%	12%	14%	37%	29%	28%
0	Unemployed, not seeking work	10	13	13	8	4	15
1	Seeking employment	7	11	12	5	9	9
2	Employed part-time	9	13	14	6	9	8
3	Self employed	8	12	3	8	42	7
4	Employed full-time	38	39	44	36	29	33
	Total =	1123	238	146	645	543	576

Do you happen to have in your home, garage, or car any guns or revolvers?

Code		Total	Metro	Large City	Medium City	Small Town, Rural
1	Yes	41%	39%	43%	56%	46%
0	No	55	57	55	40	50
97	Refused	3	4	3	4	3
	Total =	1123	775	167	63	123

[If Yes to gun in home] Do any of these guns personally belong to you?

Code		Total
1	Yes	75%
0	No	24
	Total =	466

Demographic Questions
What do you identify as your racial or ethnic background?

Code		Total
4	White, Non-Hispanic	57%
1	Hispanic or Latino	22
2	Black or African American	13
3	Asian	4
5	American Indian	2
6	Native Hawaiian	0
7	Other	1
8	More than Two Races	2
	Total =	1194

[If Hispanic] What is the origin of the ethnicity background?

Code		Total
1	Mexican, Mexican American	81%
2	Puerto Rican	3
3	Cuban	2
4	Other	15
	Total =	260

How many generations has your family been in America?

	Total	Hispanic
One	9%	24%
Two	13	26
Three	17	24
Four or more	61	25
Total =	1186	239

What is the highest level of education you have attained?

Code		Total
1	High school, or less	21%
2	High school graduation, some college	26
3	Completed Associate's Degree	14
4	Completed Bachelor's Degree	25
5	Graduate or Professional Degree/Coursework	15
	Total =	1194

What is your age?

Code		Total
1	18-24	10%
2	25-34	16
3	35-44	16
4	45-64	35
5	65+	23
	Total =	1194

In the last calendar year, what was your total household income, including wages, salaries, Social Security, and retirement benefits before taxes?

Code		Total
1	Less than $5,000 (less than $416 per month)	6%
2	$5,000-$7,499 (between $417 and $624 per month)	3
3	$7,500-$9,999 (between $625 and $833 per month)	3
4	$10,000-$19,999 (between $834 and $1,666 per month)	7
5	$20,000-$29,999 (between $1,667 and $2,500 per month)	8
6	$30,000-$39,999 (between $2,500 and $3,333 per month)	9
7	$40,000-$49,999 (between $3,334 and $4,169 per month)	7
8	$50,000-$59,999 (between $4,170 and $4,999 per month)	7
9	$60,000-$69,999 (between $5,000 and $5,833 per month)	6
10	$70,000 and $74,999 (between $5,834 and $6,249 per month)	5
11	$75,000-$79,999 (between $6,250 and $6,666 per month)	4
12	$80,000-$89,999 (between $6,667 and $7,499 per month)	4
13	$90,000-$99,999 (between $7,500 and $11,999 per month)	4
14	$100,000-$149,999 (between $12,000 and $12,499 per month)	12
15	$150,000-$199,999 (between $12,500 and $16,666 per month)	6
16	$200,000 or More ($16,667 or more per month)	5
97	Not given	6
	Total =	1113

How would you best describe your religious affiliation?

Code		Total
1	Roman Catholic	26%
9	Secular/No Religious Affiliation	7
2	Evangelical Protestant	22
3	Mainline Protestant	13
4	African-American Protestant	4
12	Christian – unaffiliated	4
5	Church of Latter Day Saints	1
6	Jewish	1
7	Other (Buddhist, Hindu, Muslim etc)	22
	Total =	1121

[If a faith is selected] Which of the following best describes the overall importance of religion in your life?

Code		Total
1	Religion is not important	6%
2	Religion provides some guidance	26
3	Religion provides quite a lot of guidance	20
4	Religion provides a great deal of guidance	45
8	Don't Know	1
	Total =	912

What is your marital status?

Code		Total
1	Married	53%
0	Single (Never married)	27
2	Divorced	10
4	Separated	4
5	Widowed	5
	Total =	1124

Are you a parent or guardian of a child 18 years old or younger?

		Total
0	No	70%
1	Yes	30
	Total =	1124

What is your gender?

		Total
0	Male	48%
1	Female	52
	Total =	1194

Methodology

The Dallas Morning News/UT Tyler Poll reflects a statewide random sample of 1,210 registered voters during the nine days between February 22 and March 2. The mixed mode sample includes 389 registered voters who were surveyed over the phone by the Center for Opinion Research with support from ReconMR and 821 registered voters that were randomly selected from Dynata's panel of registered voters that was stratified to match the demographics of Texas's registered voter population. The online and phone surveys were conducted in English and Spanish.

Post-stratification weights were calculated for the random telephone sample and web sample separately to be representative of the Texas registered voter population, before the two weighted samples were combined into one standardized sample (see Elliott 2009). To balance sample demographics with the estimated gender, age, race/ethnicity, and education of registered voters in the state we use an iterated process known as raking. These parameters were derived from 2018 Current Population Survey to reflect Texas's electorate. Also, to account for the influence of urbanization on voter registration the sample is also weighted to reflect the population density of the state using the counts of registered voters in all 254 counties based on data from the Texas Secretary of State. The use of these weights in statistical analysis ensures that the characteristics of the sample closely reflect the characteristics of registered voters in Texas. A second step uses weights from the probability phone sample to standardize the weights for the non-probability online sample to reduce sampling bias (see Elliott 2009).

In this poll, the sampling error for 1,210 registered voters in Texas is +/- 2.82 percentage points at a 95 percent confidence interval. The adjusted margin of error for our sample is 2.84 after applying the weights to match the registered voter population.

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