

Texas Statewide Survey

Field Dates: April 10-19, 2020

N=1200 Registered Voters

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

Interest and Engagement

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

Q1	Percent
Yes, registered	100

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

Q2	Percent
Extremely interested	54
Somewhat interested	34
Not very interested	8
Not at all interested	3
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?

Q3	Percent
Every election	40
Almost every election	34
About half	9
One or two	9
None	6
Don't know	3

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%.

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

Q3A	Percent
Extremely enthusiastic	51
Very enthusiastic	21
Somewhat enthusiastic	12
Not too enthusiastic	8
Not at all enthusiastic	5
Don't know/No opinion	2

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Most Important Problem

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

Q4	Percent
Coronavirus/COVID-19	33
Political corruption/leadership	12
The economy	10
Health care	7
Immigration	5
Unemployment/jobs	4
Border security	3
Income inequality	3
Federal spending/national debt	3
Moral decline	3
Partisan gridlock	2
National security/terrorism	2
Abortion	2
Environment	2
The media	2
Education	2
Police brutality/police militarization	1
Taxes	1
Voting system	1
Gun control/gun violence	1
Government data collection	1
Gay marriage	1
Energy	1
Housing	0
North Korea	0
Oil prices	0
Opioid/prescription drug abuse	0
Race relations	0
Russia	0
Social welfare programs	0
Gas prices	0
Foreign trade	0
Crime and drugs	0
Middle East instability	0

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

Q5	Percent
Coronavirus/COVID-19	32
Immigration	8
The economy	8
Health care	7
Border security	7
Political corruption/leadership	5
Unemployment/jobs	4
Education	3
Moral decline	2
Taxes	2
Homelessness	2
Oil prices	2
Gun control/gun violence	2
Environment	2
The media	1
Transportation/roads/traffic	1
State government spending	1
Utility rates	1
Voting system	1
State budget cuts	1
Social welfare programs	1
Property rights	1
Abortion	1
Hurricane recovery	1
Housing	1
Gay marriage	1
Gas prices	1
Crime and drugs	1
Police brutality/police militarization	0
Redistricting	0
Pension funding	0
Opioid/prescription drug abuse	0
State courts	0
Insurance rates	0
Energy	0
Electoral fraud	0
Water supply	0

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Retrospective Assessments

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

POTUS	Approve strongly	Approve somewhat	Neither approve nor disapprove	Disapprove somewhat	Disapprove strongly	Don't know
Apr. 2020	36	13	5	6	39	1
Feb. 2020	33	12	5	6	42	2
Oct. 2019	32	15	4	6	42	1
June 2019	34	18	4	5	39	1
Feb. 2019	34	15	5	5	40	1
Oct. 2018	36	12	5	5	40	1
June 2018	29	18	7	6	38	1
Feb. 2018	30	16	7	7	39	1
Oct. 2017	27	18	5	8	42	1
June 2017	25	18	6	7	44	1
Feb. 2017	32	14	8	4	40	3

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

CONGRESS	Approve strongly	Approve somewhat	Neither approve nor disapprove	Disapprove somewhat	Disapprove strongly	Don't know
Apr. 2020	6	17	18	24	32	3
Feb. 2020	5	13	16	19	42	4
Oct. 2019	7	14	18	23	35	4
June 2019	4	14	19	21	39	3
Feb. 2019	4	14	18	26	35	3
Oct. 2018	4	22	16	19	38	2
June 2018	3	15	18	21	38	4
Feb. 2018	2	17	16	22	39	3
Oct. 2017	2	10	15	24	45	3
June 2017	2	13	15	24	43	4
Feb. 2017	5	21	20	18	32	5
Oct. 2016	2	8	18	27	41	4
June 2016	2	8	16	24	45	5
Feb. 2016	2	10	17	24	43	4
Oct. 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	16	23	48	3
Feb. 2012	1	10	14	26	47	2
Oct. 2011	2	9	10	26	51	2
May 2011	1	15	19	27	35	3
Feb. 2011	1	17	19	26	32	4
Oct. 2009	2	12	11	22	49	4
June 2009	2	18	22	22	36	0
Mar. 2009	4	22	22	15	37	0

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

GOVERNOR	Approve strongly	Approve somewhat	Neither approve nor disapprove	Disapprove somewhat	Disapprove strongly	Don't know
Apr. 2020	31	25	9	14	18	4
Feb. 2020	30	18	11	10	24	7
Oct. 2019	30	22	15	9	19	6
June 2019	29	22	13	11	20	5
Feb. 2019	33	18	12	11	21	5
Oct. 2018	36	16	12	9	23	5
June 2018	27	20	13	12	24	5
Feb. 2018	28	18	18	8	23	5
Oct. 2017	27	21	14	11	22	5
June 2017	27	18	12	9	29	4
Feb. 2017	27	18	17	9	24	5
Oct. 2016	21	21	17	10	23	8
June 2016	20	22	19	10	21	8
Feb. 2016	18	23	24	9	20	6
Oct. 2015	20	22	21	10	19	7
June 2015	22	24	19	8	20	7

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

LTGOVERNOR	Approve strongly	Approve somewhat	Neither approve nor disapprove	Disapprove somewhat	Disapprove strongly	Don't know
Apr. 2020	20	20	13	7	29	11
Feb. 2020	21	18	13	7	28	12
Oct. 2019	22	17	15	9	23	14
June 2019	22	19	18	6	25	11
Feb. 2019	24	18	16	6	25	10
Oct. 2018	27	17	14	5	26	11
June 2018	18	18	18	8	26	12
Feb. 2018	19	17	21	8	25	10
Oct. 2017	16	20	19	7	24	13
June 2017	15	19	18	8	28	11
Feb. 2017	16	16	24	8	23	14
Oct. 2016	12	19	20	9	22	18
June 2016	12	19	24	8	22	15
Feb. 2016	8	19	30	7	20	16
Oct. 2015	10	19	28	9	17	16
June 2015	13	19	28	8	16	15

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

SPEAKER	Approve strongly	Approve somewhat	Neither approve nor disapprove	Disapprove somewhat	Disapprove strongly	Don't know
Apr. 2020	5	15	28	9	15	28
Feb. 2020	5	14	26	8	19	28
Oct. 2019	6	14	28	8	17	27
June 2019	7	18	27	11	12	25
Feb. 2019	8	18	31	6	10	28
Feb. 2018	8	19	29	9	15	19
Oct. 2017	4	19	29	11	16	20
June 2017	5	20	25	12	17	21
Feb. 2017	7	16	31	9	14	22
Oct. 2016	5	16	30	9	14	26
June 2016	4	15	30	10	14	26
Feb. 2016	4	16	35	7	13	25
Oct. 2015	4	16	32	8	14	25

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[RANDOMIZE Q9A-Q9B]

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

SENCRUZ	Approve strongly	Approve somewhat	Neither approve nor disapprove	Disapprove somewhat	Disapprove strongly	Don't know
Apr. 2020	29	16	9	7	32	6
Feb. 2020	29	13	7	8	36	7
Oct. 2019	28	18	8	9	30	7
June 2019	27	20	10	8	31	4
Feb. 2019	31	15	9	7	34	4
Oct. 2018	34	13	8	5	37	3
June 2018	21	18	13	8	33	7
Feb. 2018	22	18	12	9	32	7
Oct. 2017	19	19	13	12	31	5
June 2017	21	17	12	9	35	6
Feb. 2017	20	18	14	10	29	9
Oct. 2016	16	19	13	11	34	7
June 2016	18	17	13	12	31	9
Feb. 2016	18	19	15	10	32	6
Oct. 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...

SENCORNYN	Approve strongly	Approve somewhat	Neither approve nor disapprove	Disapprove somewhat	Disapprove strongly	Don't know
Apr. 2020	15	23	13	10	26	13
Feb. 2020	16	20	13	9	30	12
Oct. 2019	15	20	16	10	24	15
June 2019	14	23	17	11	23	12
Feb. 2019	15	21	18	13	22	11
Oct. 2018	17	22	15	9	25	13
June 2018	8	19	21	14	24	13
Feb. 2018	10	19	23	15	23	10
Oct. 2017	7	21	18	15	27	12
June 2017	9	19	18	14	27	12
Feb. 2017	11	19	22	12	22	14
Oct. 2016	8	20	22	14	22	15
June 2016	7	17	24	14	21	17
Feb. 2016	7	20	26	14	18	15
Oct. 2015	7	20	22	16	18	16

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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?

USDIR	Right direction	Wrong track	Don't know
Apr. 2020	39	52	9
Feb. 2020	40	49	11
Oct. 2019	37	54	9
June 2019	40	50	10
Feb. 2019	39	53	9
Oct. 2018	42	49	9
June 2018	41	47	11
Feb. 2018	39	50	11
Oct. 2017	29	61	10
June 2017	34	54	12
Feb. 2017	39	49	12
Oct. 2016	22	67	11
June 2016	18	70	12
Feb. 2016	22	66	12
Oct. 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
May 2010	26	62	11
Feb. 2010	31	56	13
Oct. 2009	32	59	10

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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?

USECON	A lot better off	Somewhat better off	About the same	Somewhat worse off	A lot worse off	Don't know
Apr. 2020	10	11	11	19	45	4
Feb. 2020	26	22	25	16	8	3
Oct. 2019	24	21	24	16	8	6
June 2019	26	21	23	18	8	3
Feb. 2019	27	22	23	15	9	3
Oct. 2018	32	19	26	12	7	4
June 2018	26	25	23	14	8	4
Feb. 2018	25	28	26	13	6	2
Oct. 2017	18	25	33	16	6	3
June 2017	14	28	30	18	7	3
Feb. 2017	12	28	36	11	9	4
Oct. 2016	8	20	29	25	15	4
June 2016	6	20	29	23	17	5
Feb. 2016	8	22	27	25	15	3
Oct. 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	25	24	25	3
Feb. 2011	3	24	30	24	17	2
Oct. 2010	3	19	20	23	33	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
Mar. 2009	2	4	13	33	48	0
Oct. 2008	1	3	10	34	52	0

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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?

TXDIR	Right direction	Wrong track	Don't know
Apr. 2020	43	43	15
Feb. 2020	48	37	16
Oct. 2019	47	35	17
June 2019	49	34	17
Feb. 2019	49	35	16
Oct. 2018	50	35	16
June 2018	46	37	16
Feb. 2018	48	36	15
Oct. 2017	43	40	16
June 2017	43	40	17
Feb. 2017	46	36	18
Oct. 2016	42	40	17
June 2016	41	38	22
Feb. 2016	42	37	21
Oct. 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	17
May 2011	36	46	18
Feb. 2011	41	41	18
Oct. 2010	45	37	18
May 2010	45	38	17
Feb. 2010	43	37	20
Oct. 2009	38	39	23

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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?

FAMECON	A lot better off	Somewhat better off	About the same	Somewhat worse off	A lot worse off	Don't know
Apr. 2020	9	19	34	21	14	3
Feb. 2020	15	26	38	13	6	3
Oct. 2019	15	25	38	13	5	3
June 2019	15	25	37	14	5	3
Feb. 2019	12	28	39	13	6	2
Oct. 2018	12	27	39	13	6	3
June 2018	10	27	42	14	6	2
Feb. 2018	11	27	42	13	5	1
Oct. 2017	9	22	47	16	5	1
June 2017	5	20	52	15	5	1
Feb. 2017	6	21	50	16	7	1
Oct. 2016	5	22	44	19	8	2
June 2016	5	18	44	20	9	3
Feb. 2016	5	20	45	19	9	2
Oct. 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	27	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
May 2010	4	16	41	25	13	1
Feb. 2010	3	14	40	29	12	1
Oct. 2009	3	14	39	27	16	1
Mar. 2009	3	14	42	27	14	0
Oct. 2008	4	16	38	29	14	0

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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?

TXECON	A lot better off	Somewhat better off	About the same	Somewhat worse off	A lot worse off	Don't know
Apr. 2020	7	15	19	26	28	6
Feb. 2020	20	23	36	11	4	6
Oct. 2019	17	25	35	13	3	8
June 2019	16	27	35	12	5	6
Feb. 2019	17	28	35	10	5	5
Oct. 2018	20	29	31	10	4	5
June 2018	13	30	34	12	4	7
Feb. 2018	13	30	38	13	3	3
Oct. 2017	8	27	41	16	3	5
June 2017	6	28	39	17	4	6
Feb. 2017	6	22	49	11	5	6
Oct. 2016	3	22	45	19	5	5
June 2016	4	22	41	19	6	8
Feb. 2016	4	22	41	23	5	4
Oct. 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

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Political Figures and Elections

Q15. If the 2020 presidential election were held today, would you definitely vote to re-elect Donald Trump, probably vote to re-elect Donald Trump, probably vote for someone else, or definitely vote for someone else?

	Definitely vote to re-elect Donald Trump	Probably vote to re-elect Donald Trump	Probably vote for someone else	Definitely vote for someone else
Apr. 2020	42	8	7	42
Feb. 2020	40	8	5	47
Oct. 2019	40	8	6	46
June 2019	40	11	7	43
Feb. 2019	39	10	6	45

Q16A. If the 2020 presidential election were held today, and the candidates were [RANDOMIZE ORDER “Donald Trump”, “Joe Biden”] Donald Trump and Joe Biden, who would you vote for, or haven’t you thought enough about it to have an opinion?

Q16A	Percent
Donald Trump	49
Joe Biden	44
Haven't thought about it enough to have an opinion	7

Q17. If the 2020 election for U.S. Congress in your district were held today, would you vote for the Democratic candidate, the Republican candidate, or haven’t you thought enough about it to have an opinion?

Q17	Percent
The Republican candidate	46
The Democratic candidate	44
Haven't thought about it enough to have an opinion	11

Q18A. Please tell us whether you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, neither favorable nor unfavorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion of Joe Biden.

Q18A	Percent
Very favorable	18
Somewhat favorable	17
Neither favorable nor unfavorable	10
Somewhat unfavorable	11
Very unfavorable	40
Don't know/No opinion	3

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Q18B. Please tell us whether you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, neither favorable nor unfavorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion of Anthony Fauci.

Q18B	Percent
Very favorable	31
Somewhat favorable	23
Neither favorable nor unfavorable	19
Somewhat unfavorable	8
Very unfavorable	7
Don't know/No opinion	12

[RANDOMIZE Q19A-Q19B]

Q19A. Do approve or disapprove of how Donald Trump has handled the economy?

Q19A	Percent
Approve strongly	37
Approve somewhat	12
Neither approve nor disapprove	8
Disapprove somewhat	9
Disapprove strongly	33
Don't know	1

Q19B. Do you approve or disapprove of how Donald Trump has handled the response to the coronavirus/COVID-19?

Q19B	Percent
Approve strongly	33
Approve somewhat	15
Neither approve nor disapprove	6
Disapprove somewhat	7
Disapprove strongly	38
Don't know	1

[RANDOMIZE Q20A-Q20B]

Q20A. Do you approve or disapprove of how Greg Abbott has handled the economy?

Q20A	Percent
Approve strongly	31
Approve somewhat	23
Neither approve nor disapprove	15
Disapprove somewhat	11
Disapprove strongly	14
Don't know	7

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Q20B. Do you approve or disapprove of how Greg Abbott has handled the response to the coronavirus/COVID-19?

Q20B	Percent
Approve strongly	31
Approve somewhat	25
Neither approve nor disapprove	9
Disapprove somewhat	13
Disapprove strongly	16
Don't know	5

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Policy Questions

Q21. 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?*

	Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Somewhat disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
Apr. 2020	31	27	12	18	12
Feb. 2020	25	29	14	16	15
June 2017	25	29	16	19	11
June 2015	26	33	12	18	11
Feb. 2013	29	31	13	18	8
Oct. 2011	21	29	16	22	12
Feb. 2010	18	39	17	14	12

Q22. Do you favor or oppose requiring employers to offer paid sick leave to employees who are ill?

	Favor	Oppose	Don't know/No opinion
Apr. 2020	75	13	13
Feb. 2019	71	17	12

Q23. Would you favor or oppose allowing all Texans to vote by mail in the upcoming 2020 general election in response to the coronavirus/COVID-19?

Q23	Percent
Favor	55
Oppose	33
Don't know/No opinion	11

Q24. 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?

	Too many	Too few	About the right amount	Don't know/No opinion
Apr. 2020	39	19	29	12
Feb. 2020	38	19	30	14
Oct. 2019	39	16	29	15
Oct. 2018	45	18	25	12
Feb. 2018	42	15	30	14

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Q25. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: *Undocumented immigrants currently living in the United States should be deported immediately.*

	Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Somewhat disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
Apr. 2020	28	21	16	27	8
Feb. 2020	27	20	15	29	9
Oct. 2019	29	21	18	26	7
Oct. 2018	32	22	19	26	0
Feb. 2018	23	22	21	29	5
Oct. 2017	25	19	21	30	5
Oct. 2016	23	24	19	27	7
June 2016	27	24	17	25	7
Feb. 2016	30	23	18	23	5
Nov. 2015	30	25	18	21	6
Feb. 2015	34	25	16	19	6
Oct. 2014	35	25	16	18	6
June 2014	32	22	18	22	6

Q26. How satisfied are you with the health care system in the United States?

	Very satisfied	Somewhat satisfied	Not very satisfied	Not at all satisfied	Don't know/No opinion
Apr. 2020	13	30	26	26	5
Feb. 2020	9	30	27	29	6
Oct. 2018	7	28	27	31	6

Q27. Would you say that the coronavirus/COVID-19 is...

Q27	Percent
A significant crisis	66
A serious problem but not a crisis	26
A minor problem	4
Not a problem at all	2
Don't know/No opinion	2

Q28. Do you approve or disapprove of how each of the following is handling the coronavirus/COVID-19?

Item	Approve strongly	Approve somewhat	Neither approve nor disapprove	Disapprove somewhat	Disapprove strongly	Don't know/No opinion
Federal government	22	27	10	11	27	3
Texas state government	26	31	12	14	15	3
Your local government	29	35	14	10	9	3
The news media	13	21	16	13	35	3
Insurance companies	9	18	29	10	14	20
Health care professionals	65	18	9	2	3	4

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Q29. Overall, how would you say efforts to deal with the coronavirus/COVID-19 are going in the U.S.?

Q29	Percent
Very well	21
Somewhat well	35
Somewhat badly	22
Very badly	18
Don't know/No opinion	5

Q30. How would you rate the federal government's response to the coronavirus/COVID-19 in the following areas?

Item	Excellent	Good	Only fair	Poor	Don't know/No opinion
Providing the American people with clear information	24	22	18	32	4
Preventing the spread of the virus	20	28	18	30	4
Taking steps to reduce economic harm	16	28	23	27	6
Ensuring healthcare workers have necessary equipment	20	26	13	37	5
Working cooperatively with state and local elected officials	27	25	14	28	5

Q31. Overall, how would you say efforts to deal with the coronavirus/COVID-19 are going in Texas?

Q31	Percent
Very well	24
Somewhat well	42
Somewhat badly	20
Very badly	9
Don't know/No opinion	4

Q32. How would you rate Texas state government's response to the coronavirus/COVID-19 in the following areas?

Item	Excellent	Good	Only fair	Poor	Don't know/No opinion
Providing Texans with clear information	24	33	21	18	4
Preventing the spread of the virus	22	35	21	16	5
Taking steps to reduce economic harm	18	29	24	20	10
Ensuring healthcare workers have necessary equipment	23	29	19	19	9
Working cooperatively with local elected officials	23	34	20	13	10

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Q33. How concerned are you about the spread of the coronavirus in your community?

Q33	Percent
Extremely concerned	28
Very concerned	26
Somewhat concerned	29
Not very concerned	12
Not at all concerned	5
Don't know/No opinion	1

Q34. How concerned are you about each of the following?

Item	Extremely concerned	Very concerned	Somewhat concerned	Not very concerned	Not at all concerned	Don't know/No opinion
The nation's economy	43	29	19	3	3	3
The Texas economy	37	30	21	7	3	2
The stock market	22	20	23	15	13	7
Declining oil prices	18	16	22	20	17	6
The health care system	42	23	22	6	3	3
Growth in federal spending	37	22	18	9	8	6
Unemployment	50	25	15	4	2	3

Q35. Thinking about your own situation, how concerned are you about each of the following?

Item	Extremely concerned	Very concerned	Somewhat concerned	Not very concerned	Not at all concerned	Don't know/No opinion
You or someone you know getting infected with the coronavirus	33	21	26	12	5	2
Being able to pay your utility and other bills	20	14	17	22	23	4
Losing your job	17	10	15	14	31	13
Interruption of education for you or a family member	16	14	14	13	28	15
Loss of your savings or retirement funds	26	19	19	15	14	7
Being able to pay your rent or house payment	18	13	15	21	27	6
Finding or maintaining childcare you can afford	7	5	5	9	41	33
Your own physical safety or the physical safety of someone you know	25	19	27	17	9	3

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Q36. As you may know, many Americans have been told to stay home if they can because of the coronavirus pandemic. Which of these best describes you these days?

Q36	Percent
Living normally, coming and going as usual	9
Still leaving my residence, but being careful when I do	20
Only leaving my residence when I absolutely have to	63
Not leaving home	9

Q37A. Has your work status or situation changed since the coronavirus/COVID-19 outbreak?

Q37A	Percent
Yes	44
No	56

Q37B. [IF Q37A == "1. Yes"] Are you unemployed due to the coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic?
(N=535; Margin of Error is +/- 4.24%; the weighted Margin of Error is +/- 4.91%)

Q37B	Percent
Yes	36
No	64

Q37C. [IF Q37A == "1. Yes" & Q37B == "2. No"] How has your work status or situation changed? (Please select all that apply)
(N=334; Margin of Error is +/- 5.36%; the weighted Margin of Error is +/- 6.13%)

Item	Percent
Working from home or remotely instead of your usual workplace	64
Working fewer hours	32
Working more hours	9
Experienced a reduction in pay	13
Experienced a reduction in benefits (for example, insurance and/or retirement)	6

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Q37D. [IF Q37A=="2. No"] Which of the following best describes your work status or situation both before and after the coronavirus/COVID-19 outbreak?

(N=674; Margin of Error is +/- 3.77%; the weighted Margin of Error is +/- 4.26%)

Q37D	Percent
Retired	39
Unemployed	21
Working full time	34
Working part time	7

Q37E. [ASK IF Q37D==3|4] Which of the following best describes your work situation both before and after the coronavirus/COVID-19 outbreak?

(N=272; Margin of Error is +/- 5.94%; the weighted Margin of Error is +/- 6.73%)

Q37E	Percent
I work at home	40
I work at a location other than my home	60

Q38. Do you think that people you know are doing too much, enough, or not enough to adjust their habits to prevent the spread of coronavirus/COVID-19?

Q38	Percent
Doing too much	9
Doing enough	46
Not doing enough	37
Unsure	8

Q39. Which of the following do you think is a bigger threat to the country?

Q39	Percent
Keeping people at home for too long in response to the coronavirus/COVID-19	34
Not keeping people at home long enough in response to the coronavirus/COVID-19	55
Don't know/No opinion	11

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Q40. When do you think the coronavirus will be contained in the U.S. to the point that most activities like social gatherings, workplaces, and sporting events can return to normal?

Q40	Percent
It is already	9
In the next few weeks	21
In the next few months	41
In the next year	17
A year or more	9
Never	2

Q41. Would you support or oppose requiring a mandatory 14-day self-quarantine for anyone exposed to the coronavirus?

Q41	Percent
Support	85
Oppose	7
Don't know/No opinion	8

Q42. Who do you trust and not trust to give you accurate information about the coronavirus/COVID-19?

Item	Trust	Don't trust	Don't know/Unfamiliar
Donald Trump	44	49	7
Greg Abbott	58	31	11
Your local elected officials	55	30	14
Religious leaders and clergy	40	40	20
The Centers for Disease Control (CDC)	70	23	7
Medical and health professionals	87	8	5
The news media	34	56	9
Social media and online sources	17	70	13
Your friends and family	63	21	15
Your employer	41	23	37

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Q43. How much do you rely on each of the following sources for information about the coronavirus/COVID-19?

Item	A lot	Some	Not very much	Not at all
Cable News	21	30	18	31
Network TV news (ABC, NBC, CBS)	25	30	17	28
Facebook	7	20	24	49
Twitter	6	16	17	61
Social media other than Facebook or Twitter	5	20	24	50
Newspaper and online journalism outlets	21	36	17	27
Conversations with family and close friends	20	49	21	10
Local news sources	26	44	17	13
Radio	13	35	20	32

Q44. Do you favor or oppose the following measures taken by Texas's state and local governments to address the coronavirus/COVID-19?

Item	Favor	Oppose	Don't know/No opinion
Requiring Texans to stay at home except for essential activities	77	16	7
Suspending the operation of businesses determined to be 'non-essential'	66	25	9
Prohibiting the size of gatherings to 10 people or less	80	14	6
Restricting in-person religious services of more than 10 people	74	17	9
Closing public schools	83	10	6
Establishing additional hospital facilities to meet anticipated needs	85	7	8
Prohibiting healthcare providers from performing abortions	48	35	17
Requiring travelers from other cities and/or states with outbreaks to self-quarantine if they come to Texas	83	8	10
Releasing some non-violent offenders awaiting trial in county jails	44	43	13
Postponing the May 2020 run-off elections	55	27	18
Closing state parks and recreational facilities	68	24	8

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Political Knowledge

[Randomize INFO1-INFO3]

INFO1. Which political party holds the majority in the U.S. House of Representatives? [RANDOMIZE 1-2]

INFO1	Percent
Democratic Party	71
Republican Party	20
Neither	2
Don't know	7

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

INFO2	Percent
More than two-thirds	71
More than three-fourths	8
More than one-half	7
Don't know	14

INFO3. Who is the current Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts? [RANDOMIZE 1-3]

INFO3	Percent
Glenn Hegar	16
Sid Miller	10
Christi Craddick	8
George P. Bush	11
Don't know	55

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Political Orientation

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?

LIBCON7	Percent
Extremely lib.	10
Somewhat lib.	12
Lean lib.	8
Moderate	25
Lean con.	9
Somewhat con.	17
Extremely con.	20

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

PID3	Percent
Democrats	42
Independents	10
Republicans	48

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

PID7	Percent
StrDem	22
WeakDem	9
LeanDem	11
Ind	10
LeanRep	15
WeakRep	9
StrRep	24

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

REPCON	Percent
Conservative enough	50
Too conservative	14
Not conservative enough	30
Don't know/No opinion	6

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

DEMLIB	Percent
Liberal enough	34
Too liberal	9
Not liberal enough	38
Don't know/No opinion	19

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Demographics

AGE. Please indicate your age group.

AGEG	Percent
18-29	17
30-44	25
45-64	36
65+	22

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

LOCATE	Percent
Urban	31
Suburban	48
Rural	20

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

METRO	Percent
Yes, I live in the Houston area	24
Yes, I live the Dallas-Fort Worth area	27
Yes, I live in the San Antonio area	12
Yes, I live in the Austin area	10
No, I live in another part of Texas	27

CHILD. How many children are currently living with you?

CHILD	Percent
One	16
Two	15
Three	5
Four or more	3
None	61

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

Item	Percent
Yes, I have a child/children under 18 enrolled in public school in Texas.	21
Yes, I have a child/children under 18 enrolled in private school in Texas.	3
Yes, I have a child/children under 18 who are being home schooled in Texas.	2
No, I do not have any children under 18 in school in Texas.	75

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

INCOME	Percent
Less than \$10,000	5
\$10,000 - \$19,999	7
\$20,000 - \$29,999	7
\$30,000 - \$39,999	11
\$40,000 - \$49,999	9
\$50,000 - \$59,999	10
\$60,000 - \$69,999	7
\$70,000 - \$79,999	7
\$80,000 - \$99,999	7
\$100,000 - \$119,999	6
\$120,000 - \$149,999	7
More than \$150,000	7
Prefer not to say	11

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

AB	Percent
Pro-life	42
Pro-choice	41
Neither	12
Don't know	5

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

educ	Percent
No HS	3
High school graduate	27
Some college	20
2-year	12
4-year	26
Post-grad	12

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

RELIG1	Percent
Agnostic	6
Assembly of God	2
Atheist	5
Baptist	14
Born again	2
Buddhist	1
Catholic	20
Christian Scientist	0
Church of Christ	3
Church of God	1
Disciples of Christ	0
Don't know	1
Episcopal / Anglican	1
Evangelical	1
Hindu	0
Jehovah's Witnesses	0
Jewish	1
Lutheran	2
Methodist	4
Mormon	1
Muslim / Islam	0
No religious affiliation / none	11
Nondenominational Christian	7
Orthodox / Eastern Orthodox	0
Other	3
Pentecostal / charismatic / spirit-filled	2
Presbyterian	1
Protestant (non-specific)	2
Reformed	0
Religious but not spiritual	0
Spiritual but not religious	6
Unitarian / Universalist	1
United Church of Christ	0

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

LITERAL	Percent
The Bible is the actual word of God and is to be taken literally, word for word.	32
The Bible is the word of God but not everything in it should be taken literally, word for word.	37
The Bible is a book written by men and is not the word of God.	25
Don't know.	6

IMPORT. How important is religion in your life?

IMPORT	Percent
Extremely important	45
Somewhat important	26
Not very important	11
Not at all important	19

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

ATTEND	Percent
More than once a week	16
Once a week	18
A few times a month	9
Once or twice a year	26
Never	31

RACE1. What race do you consider yourself to be?

race	Percent
White / Blanco	58
Black	14
Hispanic	23
Asian	2
Native American	1
Mixed	1
Other	1

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

RACE2	Percent
Yes	2
No	98
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?

NATIVE1	Percent
Born in the United States or Puerto Rico	88
Born in another country	12
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?

NATIVE2	Percent
Both of my parents were born in the United States or Puerto Rico	67
One of my parents was born in another country	19
Both of my parents were both in another country	14

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

MOVE	Percent
Yes	40
No	60

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

STATEFROM	Percent
Alabama	1
Alaska	1
Arizona	3
Arkansas	2
California	13
Colorado	4
Connecticut	1
Delaware	0
District of Columbia	0
Florida	6
Georgia	3
Hawaii	1
Idaho	0
Illinois	5
Indiana	1
Iowa	1
Kansas	0
Kentucky	0
Louisiana	7
Maryland	1
Massachusetts	3
Michigan	3
Minnesota	1
Mississippi	1
Missouri	3
Montana	1
Nebraska	1
Nevada	1
New Hampshire	0
New Jersey	1
New Mexico	4
New York	4
North Carolina	1
North Dakota	0
Not in the U.S. or Canada	2
Ohio	3
Oklahoma	3
Ontario	0
Oregon	1

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STATEFROM	Percent
Pennsylvania	2
Puerto Rico	0
Rhode Island	0
South Carolina	1
South Dakota	1
Tennessee	1
U.S. Minor Outlying Islands	2
Utah	0
Vermont	0
Virgin Islands	0
Virginia	4
Washington	1
West Virginia	0
Wisconsin	1
Wyoming	0

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

Item	Percent
Active-duty military	1
Military veteran	14
Active-duty military in my immediate family	3
Military veteran in my immediate family	19
None of the above	67

HOME. Do you own or rent your home?

HOME	Percent
Own	67
Rent	33

MARITAL. What is your marital status?

MARITAL	Percent
Married	53
Separated	1
Divorced	11
Widowed	6
Single	23
Domestic Partnership	6

GENDER. What is your gender?

gender	Percent
Male	47
Female	53

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Sampling and Weighting Methodology for the April 2020 Texas Statewide Study

For the survey, YouGov interviewed 1497 Texas registered voters between April 10 and April 17, 2020, who were then matched down to a sample of 1200 to produce the final dataset. The respondents were matched on gender, age, race, and education. YouGov then weighted the matched set of survey respondents to known characteristics of registered voters of Texas from the 2018 Current Population survey and 2014 Pew Religious Landscape Survey.

The respondents were matched to a sampling frame on gender, age, race, and education. The frame was constructed by stratified sampling from the full 2018 Current Population Survey (CPS) voter registration supplement with selection within strata by weighted sampling with replacements (using the person weights on the public use file). For the main sample, the matched cases were weighted to the sampling frame using propensity scores. The matched cases and the frame were combined and a logistic regression was estimated for inclusion in the frame. The propensity score function included age, gender, race/ethnicity, and years of education. The propensity scores were grouped into deciles of the estimated propensity score in the frame and post-stratified according to these deciles. These weights were then post-stratified on baseline party identification, the 2016 presidential vote, ideology, and a full stratification of four-category age, four-category race, gender, and four-category education. The weights were trimmed at 7 and normalized to sum to the sample size.

The margin of error of the weighted data for registered voters is 3.3%.

Survey Panel Data

The YouGov panel, a proprietary opt-in survey panel, is comprised of 1.2 million U.S. residents who have agreed to participate in YouGov Web surveys. At any given time, YouGov maintains a minimum of five recruitment campaigns based on salient current events.

Panel members are recruited by a number of methods and on a variety of topics to help ensure diversity in the panel population. Recruiting methods include Web advertising campaigns (public surveys), permission-based email campaigns, partner sponsored solicitations, telephone-to-Web recruitment (RDD based sampling), and mail-to-Web recruitment (Voter Registration Based Sampling).

The primary method of recruitment for the YouGov Panel is Web advertising campaigns that appear based on keyword searches. In practice, a search in Google may prompt an active YouGov advertisement soliciting opinion on the search topic. At the conclusion of the short survey respondents are invited to join the YouGov panel in order to receive and participate in additional surveys. After a double opt-in procedure, where respondents must confirm their consent by responding to an email, the database checks to ensure the newly recruited panelist is in fact new and that the address information provided is valid.

The YouGov panel currently has over 20,000 active panelists who are residents of Texas. These panelists cover a wide range of demographic characteristics

Sampling and Sample Matching

Sample matching is a methodology for selection of “representative” samples from non-randomly selected pools of respondents. It is ideally suited for Web access panels, but could also be used for other types of surveys, such as phone surveys. Sample matching starts with an enumeration of the target population. For general population studies, the target population is all adults, and can be enumerated through the use of the decennial Census or a high-quality survey, such as the American Community Survey. In other contexts, this is known as the sampling frame, though, unlike conventional sampling, the sample is not drawn from the frame. Traditional sampling, then, selects individuals from the sampling frame at random for participation in the study. This may not be feasible or economical as the

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contact information, especially email addresses, is not available for all individuals in the frame and refusals to participate increase the costs of sampling in this way.

Sample selection using the matching methodology is a two-stage process. First, a random sample is drawn from the target population. We call this sample the target sample. Details on how the target sample is drawn are provided below, but the essential idea is that this sample is a true probability sample and thus representative of the frame from which it was drawn.

Second, for each member of the target sample, we select one or more matching members from our pool of opt-in respondents. This is called the matched sample. Matching is accomplished using a large set of variables that are available in consumer and voter databases for both the target population and the opt-in panel.

The purpose of matching is to find an available respondent who is as similar as possible to the selected member of the target sample. The result is a sample of respondents who have the same measured characteristics as the target sample. Under certain conditions, described below, the matched sample will have similar properties to a true random sample. That is, the matched sample mimics the characteristics of the target sample.

When choosing the matched sample, it is necessary to find the closest matching respondent in the panel of opt-ins to each member of the target sample. YouGov employs the proximity matching method to find the closest matching respondent. For each variable used for matching, we define a distance function, $d(x,y)$, which describes how “close” the values x and y are on a particular attribute. The overall distance between a member of the target sample and a member of the panel is a weighted sum of the individual distance functions on each attribute. The weights can be adjusted for each study based upon which variables are thought to be important for that study, though, for the most part, we have not found the matching procedure to be sensitive to small adjustments of the weights. A large weight, on the other hand, forces the algorithm toward an exact match on that dimension.