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University of Massachusetts Amherst
2022 October Pre-Election National Poll

Field Dates:	October 17 – October 19, 2022
Sample:	1,000 Respondents
Margin of Error:	3.6%

YouGov interviewed 1065 respondents who were then matched down to a sample of 1000 to produce the final dataset. The respondents were matched to a sampling frame on gender, age, race, and education. The frame was constructed by stratified sampling from the full 2019 American Community Survey (ACS) 1-year sample with selection within strata by weighted sampling with replacements (using the person weights on the public use file).

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, years of education, and region. The propensity scores were grouped into deciles of the estimated propensity score in the frame and post-stratified according to these deciles.

The weights were then post-stratified on 2016 and 2020 Presidential vote choice, and a four-way stratification of gender, age (4-categories), race (4-categories), and education (4-categories), to produce the final weight.

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Approval (N=1,000)

Do you approve or disapprove of the way each is doing their job?

	Strongly Approve				Somewhat Approve				Somewhat Disapprove				Strongly Disapprove				Not Sure			
	Apr 2021	Dec 2021	May 2022	Oct 2022	Apr 2021	Dec 2021	May 2022	Oct 2022	Apr 2021	Dec 2021	May 2022	Oct 2022	Apr 2021	Dec 2021	May 2022	Oct 2022	Apr. 2021	Dec 2021	May 2022	Oct 2022
President Joe Biden	29%	17%	17%	17%	22%	24%	21%	23%	8%	11%	13%	11%	36%	42%	42%	41%	6%	6%	8%	7%
U.S. Congress	5%	3%	3%	6%	25%	18%	16%	22%	23%	27%	29%	25%	36%	38%	38%	33%	11%	15%	14%	15%
Supreme Court	7%	5%	9%	13%	35%	28%	24%	26%	25%	26%	21%	16%	18%	25%	33%	33%	16%	16%	14%	12%

Biden Issue Performance (N=1,000)

In the 11 months of Joe Biden’s presidency, how well would you say that President Biden has handled... (December 2021)

In the 16 months of Joe Biden’s presidency, how well would you say that President Biden has handled... (May 2022)

In the 22 months of Joe Biden’s presidency, how well would you say that President Biden has handled...

	Very Well			Somewhat Well			Not Too Well			Not Well At All			Don’t Know		
	Dec. 2021	May 2022	Oct. 2022	Dec. 2021	May 2022	Oct. 2022	Dec. 2021	May 2022	Oct. 2022	Dec. 2021	May 2022	Oct. 2022	Dec. 2021	May 2022	Oct. 2022
The COVID-19 pandemic?	21%	23%	23%	25%	23%	24%	13%	15%	14%	37%	31%	29%	5%	7%	9%
The Economy?	11%	10%	10%	24%	22%	21%	14%	16%	16%	44%	45%	45%	7%	8%	8%
Climate Change?	10%	8%	14%	23%	22%	23%	15%	19%	16%	37%	33%	29%	15%	18%	18%
Taxes?	9%	8%	11%	21%	22%	21%	15%	18%	17%	40%	39%	37%	15%	13%	14%
Foreign Policy?	N/A	17%	16%	N/A	22%	22%	N/A	13%	13%	N/A	38%	35%	N/A	11%	13%
Inflation?	N/A	6%	8%	N/A	15%	18%	N/A	20%	16%	N/A	49%	48%	N/A	9%	9%
Immigration?	N/A	6%	7%	N/A	22%	20%	N/A	15%	18%	N/A	44%	42%	N/A	12%	12%
Crime?	N/A	7%	9%	N/A	20%	23%	N/A	17%	17%	N/A	40%	38%	N/A	16%	14%
Russia-Ukrainian Conflict	N/A	19%	20%	N/A	21%	22%	N/A	15%	15%	N/A	35%	32%	N/A	9%	11%

Better or Worse Trump (N=1,000)

	Much Better	Better	Neither Better nor Worse	Worse	Much Worse
Do you think it would be better or worse for the United States if former President Donald Trump stepped away from politics?	41%	12%	23%	12%	12%
Do you think it would be better or worse for the Democratic Party if former President Donald Trump stepped away from politics?	34%	21%	29%	9%	8%
Do you think it would be better or worse for the Republican Party if former President Donald Trump stepped away from politics?	31%	15%	29%	12%	13%

Better or Worse Biden (N=1,000)

	Much Better	Better	Neither Better nor Worse	Worse	Much Worse
Do you think it would be better or worse for the United States if President Joe Biden does NOT seek another term in 2024?	35%	17%	35%	7%	6%
Do you think it would be better or worse for the Democratic Party if President Joe Biden does NOT seek another term in 2024?	25%	22%	38%	9%	5%
Do you think it would be better or worse for the Republican Party if President Joe Biden does NOT seek another term in 2024?	23%	15%	47%	10%	5%

Biden Legitimately Elected (N=1,000)

Do you believe that Joe Biden’s victory in the 2020 presidential election was legitimate or not legitimate?

	Apr. 2021	Dec. 2021	May 2022	Oct. 2022
Definitely Legitimate	49%	46%	47%	43%
Probably Legitimate	10%	12%	11%	15%
Probably Not Legitimate	10%	11%	11%	12%
Definitely Not Legitimate	24%	22%	19%	18%
I’m Not Sure	7%	9%	12%	12%

Learn From or Move On (N=1,000)

Thinking about the events of January 6th, which of the following comes closest to your view...

	Dec. 2021	May 2022	Oct. 2022
It is important that we learn more about what happened.	56%	52%	53%
It is time to move on.	44%	48%	47%

Efforts (N=1,000)

Since the events at the U.S. Capitol on January 6th, federal law enforcement agencies have identified, arrested, and charged hundreds of individuals who they suspect took part. Do you support or oppose *continuing* the federal effort to identify, arrest, and charge individuals who participated in these events?

	Apr. 2021	Dec. 2021	May 2022	Oct. 2022
Strongly Support	52%	46%	42%	40%
Somewhat Support	13%	11%	11%	9%
Neither Support nor Oppose	13%	13%	13%	15%
Somewhat Oppose	7%	6%	6%	7%
Strongly Oppose	10%	19%	21%	20%
Don’t know	5%	6%	7%	8%

Trump Charged Insurrection (N=1,000)

There is now evidence that President Trump, his family, and his staff, were involved in efforts to overturn the results of the 2020 election for weeks leading up to the events of January 6, 2021 at the U.S. Capitol. Do you think that President Trump should be charged with a crime for doing so?

	May 2022	Oct. 2022
Definitely Yes	49%	40%
Probably Yes	10%	10%
Probably No	10%	10%
Definitely No	24%	26%
I'm Not Sure	7%	13%

Trump Charged Documents (N=1,000)

On August 8, 2022, the Federal Bureau of Investigation (F.B.I.) executed a search warrant of former President Trump's home in Mar a Lago and removed hundreds of classified documents that President Trump had not returned to the federal government. Do you think that President Trump should be charged with a crime for not returning these classified documents?

Definitely Yes	41%
Probably Yes	10%
Probably No	10%
Definitely No	27%
I'm Not Sure	12%

2024 Democratic Presidential Primary

From the list below, please rank the **top three** candidates that you would select to be the Democratic Party’s presidential candidate in 2024. _

	Dec. 2021			May 2022			Oct. 2022		
	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Joe Biden	40%	8%	9%	33%	12%	11%	29%	13%	9%
Kamala Harris	10%	25%	16%	12%	19%	13%	9%	20%	13%
Bernie Sanders	18%	13%	15%	17%	15%	14%	14%	13%	13%
Pete Buttigieg	9%	14%	17%	8%	11%	14%	13%	17%	14%
Elizabeth Warren	10%	18%	19%	9%	16%	15%	8%	11%	18%
Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez	7%	12%	12%	6%	11%	9%	7%	12%	9%
Hillary Clinton	6%	10%	13%	6%	11%	9%	10%	9%	8%
Someone Else	N/A	N/A	N/A	10%	6%	15%	10%	5%	16%

2024 Republican Presidential Primary

From the list below, please rank the **top three** candidates that you would select to be the Republican Party’s presidential candidate in 2024. _

	Dec. 2021			May 2022			Oct. 2022		
	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Donald Trump	55%	13%	6%	55%	13%	6%	53%	12%	7%
Ron DeSantis	20%	37%	12%	26%	34%	6%	29%	32%	8%
Nikki Haley	7%	8%	11%	3%	10%	12%	4%	11%	15%
Mike Pence	6%	13%	10%	7%	13%	10%	6%	13%	13%
Tim Scott	4%	7%	17%	0%	9%	11%	0%	4%	11%
Mike Pompeo	2%	8%	14%	1%	4%	10%	0%	5%	8%
Ted Cruz	6%	15%	31%	3%	12%	25%	3%	14%	23%
Someone Else	N/A	N/A	N/A	5%	6%	20%	5%	7%	14%

