

Hello, my name is _____ and I am conducting a survey for Suffolk University/USA Today and I would like to get your opinions on some political questions and issues of the day. Would you like to spend seven minutes to help us out?

1.	Are you a U.S. citizen? (N=900)	n	%
	Yes-----	900	100.00
2.	How likely are you to vote in the presidential election next year—would you say (ROTATE ASC-DESC)? (N=900)	n	%
	Not very likely -----	182	20.22
	Not at all likely -----	590	65.56
	Undecided -----	128	14.22
3.	Are you registered to vote – yes or no? (N=900)	n	%
	Yes-----	455	50.56
	No-----	440	48.89
	Refused-----	5	0.56
4.	Which do you most closely identify as – male, female, or non-binary (transgender, gender variant, non-conforming)? (N=900)	n	%
	Male -----	405	45.00
	Female-----	460	51.11
	Non-Binary (transgender, gender variant, non-conforming) -----	35	3.89
5.	In general, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, Republican, Independent, or something else? (N=900)	n	%
	Democrat-----	125	13.89
	Republican-----	117	13.00
	Independent-----	264	29.33
	Something else -----	288	32.00
	Refused-----	106	11.78
6.	What is your age category? (N=900)	n	%
	18-24 Years -----	96	10.67
	25-34 Years -----	159	17.67
	35-49 Years -----	252	28.00
	50-64 Years -----	208	23.11
	65+ Years -----	181	20.11
	Refused-----	4	0.44
7.	What state do you live in currently? {CODE TO REGION} (N=900)	n	%
	Northeast-----	188	20.89
	South-----	277	30.78
	Midwest-----	200	22.22
	West-----	235	26.11

8. For statistical purposes only, can you please tell me what your ethnic background / ancestry is?

(N=900)	n	%
White/Caucasian -----	458	50.89
Black/African American -----	135	15.00
American Indian/Alaska Native -----	15	1.67
Asian -----	44	4.89
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander -----	6	0.67
Hispanic/Latino -----	159	17.67
Two or more races -----	36	4.00
Other -----	24	2.67
Don't know -----	23	2.56

9. Are you employed full-time, part-time, retired, unemployed, permanently disabled, a full-time student, at home with children, in the military – or something else?

(N=900)	n	%
Full-time -----	405	45.00
Part-time -----	100	11.11
Retired -----	147	16.33
Unemployed -----	47	5.22
Permanently disabled -----	87	9.67
Student -----	33	3.67
At home with children -----	20	2.22
In the military -----	25	2.78
Other -----	18	2.00
Refused -----	18	2.00

This survey studies the opinions of the large group of adults in the U.S. who are unlikely to vote next year either because they are unregistered or because they are registered but not planning to vote. This will be the only poll conducted this year examining your opinions which represent over 100 million adults who may not cast ballots next November. So, before we start, thank you for participating!

10. Do you feel the country is headed in the right direction or is on the wrong track?

(N=900)	n	%
Right direction -----	107	11.89
Wrong track -----	630	70.00
Undecided -----	163	18.11

11. What do you think is the most important problem facing the country today? {RANDOMIZE}

(N=900)	n	%
Guns -----	61	6.78
Economy in general -----	231	25.67
Healthcare -----	33	3.67
Political gridlock in Washington -----	78	8.67
Federal budget -----	32	3.56
Abortion -----	24	2.67
National security/terrorism -----	25	2.78
Education -----	64	7.11
Taxes -----	23	2.56
Immigration -----	37	4.11
Climate change -----	24	2.67
Other -----	198	22.00
Don't know -----	70	7.78

12. What is the first word or phrase that comes to mind when you hear the name: Joe Biden

(N=900)	n	%
"Old" -----	140	15.56
"President" -----	128	14.22
"Joke/Idiot/Incompetent" -----	193	21.44
"Like him"-----	48	5.33
"Confused/Sleepy Joe/Mental decline" -----	47	5.22
"Corrupt"-----	27	3.00
"Time to retire"-----	24	2.67
"Inflation/Gas prices/Poor economy" -----	19	2.11
"Puppet"-----	18	2.00
"Doing a good job"-----	47	5.22
"Doing a poor job"-----	43	4.78
"No/Nothing"-----	45	5.00
Other mentions -----	58	6.44
DK/NA/Refused-----	63	7.00

{FOR NOT REGISTERED}

13. If you were registered to vote and the General Election for President were held today and the candidates were (ROTATE 1 & 2) Republican Donald Trump, Democrat Joe Biden, Green Party Cornel West, or a third-party candidate, for whom would you vote or towards whom would you LEAN at this time?

(N=440)	n	%
Biden – Democratic Party -----	66	15.00
Trump – Republican Party -----	121	27.50
West – Green Party-----	36	8.18
Third-Party Candidate-----	62	14.09
Other -----	22	5.00
Undecided -----	101	22.95
Refused-----	32	7.27

{FOR REGISTERED}

14. Although you are not likely to vote, if the General Election for President were held today and the candidates were (ROTATE 1 & 2) Republican Donald Trump, Democrat Joe Biden, Green Party Cornel West, or a third-party candidate, for whom would you vote or towards whom would you LEAN at this time?

(N=455)	n	%
Biden – Democratic Party -----	60	13.19
Trump – Republican Party -----	146	32.09
West – Green Party-----	8	1.76
Third-Party Candidate-----	81	17.80
Other -----	33	7.25
Undecided -----	119	26.15
Refused-----	8	1.76

15. Can you tell me the name of the Vice President of the United States?

(N=900)	n	%
"Kamala Harris/Woman/Black"-----	634	70.44
"No/Nothing"-----	99	11.00
Other incorrect mentions -----	24	2.67
DK/NA/Refused-----	143	15.89

Great, I am going to read you a list of agencies and individuals in national politics. For each, please tell me if your opinion of them is generally favorable or generally unfavorable. If you are undecided or if you have never heard of someone, just tell me that. First take Joe Biden. Is your opinion of Joe Biden generally favorable or generally unfavorable? (RANDOMIZE 17-20)

(N=900)	<u>NEVER HEARD</u>	<u>FAVORABLE</u>	<u>UNFAVORABLE</u>	<u>HOF/Undecided</u>
16. Joe Biden	12 1.33	211 23.44	468 52.00	209 23.22
17. Donald Trump	8 0.89	248 27.56	441 49.00	203 22.56
18. U.S. Congress	26 2.89	154 17.11	412 45.78	308 34.22
19. The news media	20 2.22	121 13.44	560 62.22	199 22.11
20. The U.S. Supreme Court	22 2.44	286 31.78	307 34.11	285 31.67

{FOR 3.2 ONLY, NOT REGISTERED}

21. You indicated that you are not registered to vote. In your own words, what is the reason that you are not registered to vote?

(N=440)	n	%
"My vote doesn't matter" -----	46	10.45
"Convicted felon/legal issues" -----	38	8.64
"Poor candidate choices" -----	40	9.09
"Do not want to vote/don't care" -----	52	11.82
"Don't believe in voting/political system" -----	28	6.36
"System is rigged/corrupt" -----	24	5.45
"Don't follow politics" -----	20	4.55
"Religious beliefs" -----	20	4.55
"Haven't gotten a chance/time" -----	22	5.00
"Will get called for jury duty" -----	10	2.27
"Have never registered" -----	10	2.27
Other mentions -----	28	6.36
DK/NA/Refused -----	102	23.18

{FOR REGISTERED}

22. You indicated that you are registered to vote but <insert 2.3, 2.4, 2.5> to vote in the 2024 election. In your own words, what is the reason that you are registered but just <insert 2.3, 2.4, 2.5> to vote?

(N=455)	n	%
"Don't like any of the candidates" -----	168	36.92
"Don't have the time" -----	54	11.87
"Vote doesn't matter" -----	35	7.69
"Don't like voting process/mail-in ballots/location" -----	17	3.74
"Do not want to" -----	23	5.05
"Corruption/unfair" -----	25	5.49
"Health reasons" -----	18	3.96
"Election is rigged" -----	19	4.18
"Don't follow politics/uninformed" -----	14	3.08
"Convicted felon/legal issues" -----	6	1.32
Other mentions -----	38	8.35
DK/NA/Refused -----	38	8.35

{FOR REGISTERED}

23. In the 2020 Presidential Election did you vote for Democrat Joe Biden, Republican Donald Trump - or did you not vote?

(N=455)	n	%
Democrat Joe Biden-----	80	17.58
Republican Donald Trump-----	105	23.08
Other/someone else-----	9	1.98
Did Not Vote-----	247	54.29
Undecided-----	14	3.08

24. What would it take to get you to vote next November?

(N=900)	n	%
"Better choice/honest candidate/that I like"-----	248	27.56
"Election process"-----	42	4.67
"Need more information on candidates"-----	31	3.44
"Their views/stand on issues"-----	27	3.00
"If I could vote/felon"-----	26	2.89
"If Trump runs"-----	24	2.67
"Convenience"-----	21	2.33
"Time"-----	16	1.78
"I think I will be voting"-----	18	2.00
"Uninterested in politics"-----	25	2.78
"Health/Age"-----	11	1.22
"Mail/Absentee ballot"-----	11	1.22
"If I was on the ballot"-----	10	1.11
"Not a career politician"-----	9	1.00
"Nothing/A miracle"-----	146	16.22
Other mentions-----	74	8.22
DK/NA/Refused-----	161	17.89

25. Do the two major parties – Democrat & Republican - do a good job of representing Americans' political views, or do you think a third party or multiple parties is necessary?

(N=900)	n	%
Two parties – Democrat and Republican are good enough-----	151	16.78
Third party is necessary-----	180	20.00
Multiple parties are necessary-----	394	43.78
Undecided-----	175	19.44

26. Is there anyone you can think of who you would be certain to go to the polls to vote for if that person would decide to run for President?

(N=900)	n	%
"Donald Trump"-----	70	7.78
"Me"-----	24	2.67
"Bernie Sanders"-----	18	2.00
"Michelle Obama"-----	15	1.67
"Robert F. Kennedy"-----	15	1.67
"Barack Obama"-----	14	1.56
"Ron DeSantis"-----	14	1.56
"Joe Biden"-----	13	1.44
"Gavin Newsom"-----	7	0.78
"Hillary Clinton"-----	9	1.00
"No/Nothing"-----	431	47.89
Other mentions-----	147	16.33
DK/NA/Refused-----	123	13.67

27. How would you describe your own political viewpoint – very liberal, liberal, moderate, conservative, very conservative? {ROTATE .1-.5 ASCENDING TO DESCENDING}

(N=900)	n	%
Very liberal-----	38	4.22
Liberal-----	164	18.22
Moderate -----	291	32.33
Conservative -----	145	16.11
Very conservative -----	58	6.44
Other -----	39	4.33
Don't know -----	165	18.33

28. When you think about the process of registering to vote, would you say it takes too much time and is too complicated or is it easy to complete and can be done fairly quickly?

(N=900)	n	%
Takes too much time/too complicated -----	99	11.00
Easy to complete/can be done fairly quickly-----	607	67.44
Don't know enough to say -----	187	20.78
Undecided -----	7	0.78

For each of the following statements, please tell me if you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree.... "I don't pay much attention to politics because..." {RANDOMIZE}

(N=900)	<u>Strongly Agree</u>	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>Strongly Disagree</u>	<u>DK/ Ref.</u>
29a. "...my candidate/political party can't win in my state."	76 8.44	143 15.89	410 45.56	144 16.00	127 14.11
29b. "...it is so corrupt."	262 29.11	352 39.11	173 19.22	59 6.56	54 6.00
29c. "...it doesn't make much difference in my life."	192 21.33	296 32.89	295 32.78	101 11.22	16 1.78
29d. "...nothing ever gets done – it's a bunch of empty promises."	289 32.11	380 42.22	143 15.89	33 3.67	55 6.11
29e. "...there's not a dime's worth of difference between D's & R's."	156 17.33	269 29.89	292 32.44	122 13.56	61 6.78

30. Which statement comes closer to the way you feel about voting or not voting next November –

one> "It will bother me if I don't vote because I will be letting other people elect our Congress and President" or

two> "It won't bother me because my vote doesn't make a difference anyway."

(N=900)	n	%
Will bother me – other people electing the president---	213	23.67
Won't bother me – my vote doesn't make a difference anyway -----	599	66.56
Undecided -----	83	9.22
Refused -----	5	0.56

31. How important a role do you think the federal government plays in your life – very important, somewhat important, not very important or not at all important?

(N=900)	n	%
Very important -----	360	40.00
Somewhat important -----	312	34.67
Not very important -----	95	10.56
Not at all important-----	111	12.33
Undecided -----	18	2.00
Refused-----	4	0.44

32. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Joe Biden is doing as president?

(N=900)	n	%
Approve-----	208	23.11
Disapprove-----	518	57.56
Undecided -----	174	19.33

{FOR 13.1 or 14.1, WOULD-BE BIDEN VOTERS}

33. Earlier you said you would vote for Joe Biden if you were voting. If you knew that your vote could help swing a close national election to Biden, would you either register or definitely vote in the upcoming presidential election – or not?

(N=126)	n	%
Yes-----	86	68.25
No-----	26	20.63
Undecided -----	14	11.11

{FOR 13.2 or 14.2, WOULD-BE TRUMP VOTERS}

34. Earlier you said you would vote for Donald Trump for President if you were voting. If you knew that your vote could help swing a close national election to Trump, would you register or definitely vote in the upcoming presidential election – or not?

(N=267)	n	%
Yes-----	188	70.41
No-----	61	22.85
Undecided -----	18	6.74

35. Regardless of who you personally support for President in 2024, who do you expect will be elected in 2024 – Joe Biden or Donald Trump?

(N=900)	n	%
Joe Biden -----	264	29.33
Donald Trump-----	273	30.33
Someone else-----	196	21.78
Undecided -----	167	18.56

36. Do you believe citizens should be required to show a photo ID before voting – yes or no?

(N=900)	n	%
Yes-----	715	79.44
No-----	144	16.00
Undecided -----	41	4.56

37. Do you think Voter ID and other laws have discouraged some people from voting – yes or no?

(N=900)	n	%
Yes-----	511	56.78
No-----	317	35.22
Undecided -----	72	8.00

38. Some people seem to follow what's going on in government and public affairs most of the time, whether there's an election going on or not. Others aren't that interested. Would you say you follow what's going on in government and public affairs most of the time, some of the time, only now and then, or hardly at all?

(N=900)	n	%
Most of the time -----	218	24.22
Some of the time -----	199	22.11
Only now and then -----	207	23.00
Hardly at all -----	267	29.67
Undecided -----	7	0.78
Refused -----	2	0.22

39. Would you describe your household finances as - excellent, good, fair or poor? (ROTATE ASC-DESC)

(N=900)	n	%
Excellent -----	95	10.56
Good -----	266	29.56
Fair -----	365	40.56
Poor -----	146	16.22
Undecided -----	28	3.11

THE FINAL QUESTIONS WILL HELP US CLASSIFY YOUR ANSWERS WITH OTHERS TAKING THE SURVEY

40. Do you have school-aged children in your household – yes or no?

(N=900)	n	%
Yes -----	316	35.11
No -----	571	63.44
Undecided -----	2	0.22
Refused -----	11	1.22

41. What is the highest level of education you have completed? (READ)

(N=900)	n	%
Some high school -----	75	8.33
High school graduate -----	277	30.78
Some college -----	213	23.67
Trade/technical/vocational training -----	76	8.44
College graduate -----	159	17.67
Master's or PhD -----	76	8.44
Undecided -----	12	1.33
Refused -----	12	1.33

42. What is your primary source for political news and information? {RANDOMIZE}

(N=900)	n	%
Political Blogs -----	28	3.11
Newspapers and Magazines (online or in print) -----	92	10.22
Social Media websites like Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, or TikTok -----	309	34.33
Television and Cable News Networks -----	310	34.44
Friends and Family -----	55	6.11
Radio -----	39	4.33
Podcasts -----	62	6.89
Undecided -----	5	0.56

43. What is your annual household income?

(N=900)	n	%
Under \$20,000 per year -----	129	14.33
Under \$50,000 per year -----	241	26.78
Under \$75,000 per year -----	126	14.00
Under \$100,000 per year-----	144	16.00
Under \$140,000 per year-----	92	10.22
\$140,000 per year or more -----	77	8.56
Undecided -----	91	10.11

[THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. HAVE A NICE DAY/EVENING.]