

Californians and Their Economic Well-Being November 2022

Time Trends – Likely Voters

Methodology Note:

Findings for November 2022 are based on a survey of 2,307 California adult residents, conducted online using the Ipsos KnowledgePanel. Interviews were conducted in English, Spanish, Chinese (simplified or traditional), Vietnamese, and Korean according to the respondents' preferences. The median time to complete the survey was 17 minutes. Interviewing took place from October 7–21, 2022.

The November 2022 sampling error for the 1,342 likely voters, taking design effects from weighting into consideration, is ± 4.3 percent. Sampling error is only one type of error to which surveys are subject. Results may also be affected by factors such as question wording, question order, and survey timing.

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Q1. Do you approve or disapprove of the way
 that Governor Newsom is handling the issue of
 jobs and the economy?

	Approve	Disapprove	Don't know	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	54%	44%	2%	1337
Apr 2022	54%	44%	2%	1057
Nov 2021	62%	37%	0%	1539
Jul 2021	56%	43%	1%	1117
Apr 2021	59%	40%	1%	1103
Dec 2020	59%	40%	1%	1551
May 2020	57%	35%	8%	1041

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Q2. Do you approve or disapprove of the way
 that the California Legislature is handling the
 issue of jobs and the economy?

	Approve	Disapprove	Don't know	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	49%	49%	1%	1338
Nov 2021	56%	43%	1%	1538
Dec 2020	54%	46%	1%	1551
Jan 2009	12%	77%	11%	1389

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Q3. How much of the time can you trust the state government to do what is right when it comes to handling the issue of jobs and the economy?

	Just about always	Most of the time	Only some of the time	Don't know	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	4%	41%	54%	0%	1341
Nov 2021	5%	46%	48%	0%	1540
Dec 2020	6%	46%	47%	0%	1551

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Q4. Turning to economic conditions in California, do you think that during the next 12 months we will have good times financially or bad times?

	Good times	Bad times	Don't know	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	28%	71%	2%	1341
Apr 2022	39%	59%	2%	1056
Nov 2021	46%	53%	1%	1541
Jul 2021	57%	42%	1%	1115
Apr 2021	55%	43%	2%	1102
Dec 2020	30%	69%	1%	1551
Jul 2020	17%	83%	0%	1031
Apr 2020	21%	78%	1%	1094
Jan 2020	50%	42%	8%	962
Sep 2019	37%	54%	10%	1022
May 2019	42%	48%	10%	1114
Jan 2019	45%	45%	10%	1148
Dec 2018	46%	44%	10%	1080
Oct 2018	47%	39%	14%	983
Sep 2018	55%	38%	7%	953
May 2018	50%	40%	10%	897
Jan 2018	56%	34%	10%	1036
Sep 2017	51%	42%	7%	1099
Mar 2017	50%	41%	10%	1060
Jan 2017	51%	34%	15%	1100
Oct 2016	46%	40%	14%	1019
Sep 2016	47%	42%	11%	1048
May 2016	45%	43%	12%	983
Mar 2016	46%	45%	9%	1030
Jan 2016	44%	46%	11%	1034
Dec 2015	47%	43%	10%	1106
Sep 2015	46%	44%	10%	1060
Jun 2015	44%	44%	11%	1041
Mar 2015	49%	39%	12%	1055
Jan 2015	54%	36%	10%	1001
Dec 2014	51%	40%	9%	1047
Oct 2014	42%	47%	11%	970
Sep 2014	44%	46%	10%	906
May 2014	44%	46%	10%	1033
Mar 2014	42%	48%	10%	1084
Jan 2014	46%	47%	8%	1139
Dec 2013	38%	52%	10%	1076
Sep 2013	44%	46%	10%	1095
Jun 2013	46%	44%	10%	1431
May 2013	45%	46%	9%	1117
Mar 2013	41%	52%	8%	1131

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	Good times	Bad times	Don't know	Unweighted n
Jan 2013	44%	44%	11%	1110
Dec 2012	37%	55%	8%	1428
Oct 2012	34%	53%	12%	1329
Sep 2012	29%	63%	9%	1321
May 2012	27%	65%	9%	1242
Mar 2012	28%	62%	11%	1165
Jan 2012	27%	65%	8%	1294
Dec 2011	22%	68%	10%	1288
Sep 2011	19%	74%	7%	1357
Jun 2011	20%	70%	10%	1483
Jun 2011	29%	63%	8%	1401
Mar 2011	26%	65%	8%	1362
Feb 2011	31%	57%	12%	1558
Jan 2011	28%	63%	9%	1392
Oct 2010	20%	65%	14%	1220
Sep 2010	24%	62%	13%	1206
Jul 2010	19%	74%	7%	1461
May 2010	22%	71%	7%	1243
Mar 2010	21%	72%	7%	1230
Jan 2010	17%	76%	7%	1299
Dec 2009	20%	73%	6%	1078
Nov 2009	17%	75%	7%	1627
Sep 2009	22%	71%	7%	1337
Jul 2009	13%	81%	6%	1568
Jun 2009	18%	77%	5%	1502
May 2009	19%	75%	6%	1217
Mar 2009	15%	79%	6%	1136
Feb 2009	13%	83%	4%	1565
Jan 2009	13%	82%	5%	1389
Nov 2008	17%	75%	9%	1636
Oct 2008	15%	77%	8%	1277
Sep 2008	17%	72%	11%	1281
Aug 2008	17%	75%	8%	1182
Jul 2008	14%	80%	7%	1454
Jun 2008	12%	82%	6%	1422
May 2008	16%	75%	9%	1220
Mar 2008	12%	80%	8%	1221
Jan 2008	18%	74%	9%	1227
Dec 2007	23%	68%	9%	1150
Sep 2007	29%	62%	9%	1157
Jun 2007	43%	47%	10%	1106
May 2007	41%	47%	12%	1122
Mar 2007	41%	49%	11%	1233

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Q4. Turning to economic conditions in California, do you think that during the next 12 months we will have good times financially or bad times?

	Good times	Bad times	(VOL) Don't know	Unweighted n
Jan 2007	52%	37%	11%	1274
Oct 2006	52%	35%	13%	1186
Sep 2006	48%	40%	12%	1209
Aug 2006	45%	43%	12%	1100
Jul 2006	42%	43%	15%	1351
May 2006	39%	48%	12%	1093
Mar 2006	50%	38%	12%	1000
Feb 2006	46%	42%	12%	1232
Jan 2006	49%	40%	11%	1252
Jan 2006	43%	45%	12%	1446
Oct 2005	35%	54%	11%	1159
Sep 2005	33%	57%	10%	1110
Aug 2005	42%	47%	12%	1054
Jul 2005	45%	39%	16%	1459
May 2005	44%	45%	11%	1241
Apr 2005	38%	51%	11%	1470
Jan 2005	47%	38%	15%	1227
Oct 2004	45%	40%	15%	1209
Sep 2004	48%	39%	14%	1195
Aug 2004	46%	40%	14%	1181
Jul 2004	50%	39%	12%	1445
Jun 2004	42%	45%	12%	1336
May 2004	43%	43%	14%	1099
Feb 2004	42%	45%	13%	1007
Jan 2004	51%	34%	15%	979
Nov 2003	40%	45%	15%	1183
Oct 2003	34%	44%	22%	1119
Sep 2003	31%	51%	18%	1133
Aug 2003	27%	56%	17%	1057
Jul 2003	29%	62%	9%	1153
Jun 2003	25%	66%	9%	1025
Feb 2003	15%	76%	9%	1075
Nov 2002	45%	46%	9%	913
Oct 2002	35%	53%	12%	1046
Sep 2002	40%	50%	10%	1036
Aug 2002	35%	53%	12%	969
Feb 2002	46%	47%	7%	950
Jan 2002	46%	48%	6%	971
Dec 2001	35%	59%	6%	947

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Q4. Turning to economic conditions in California, do you think that during the next 12 months we will have good times financially or bad times?

	Good times	Bad times	(VOL) Don't know	Unweighted n
Jan 2001	52%	36%	12%	1090
Aug 2000	78%	16%	7%	1013
Feb 2000	81%	11%	8%	1012
Dec 1999	79%	15%	6%	910
Sep 1999	76%	19%	5%	914

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Q5. Looking ahead, in California will we have
 mostly good times during the next five years or
 will we have mostly periods of widespread
 unemployment or depression?

	Good times	Periods of depression or unemployment	(VOL) Don't know	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	37%	61%	1%	1341
Nov 2021	46%	53%	1%	1541
Dec 2020	41%	58%	1%	1549

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Q6. How much of a problem is the availability of well-paying jobs in your part of California today? Is it a big problem, somewhat of a problem, or not a problem?

	Big problem	Somewhat of a problem	Not a problem	(VOL) Don't know	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	22%	57%	21%	0%	1342
Nov 2021	24%	57%	19%	0%	1542
Dec 2020	28%	60%	11%	0%	1552

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Q7. Does the lack of well-paying jobs make you and your family seriously consider moving away from the part of California you live now?

	Yes, elsewhere in California	Yes, outside of the state	No	(VOL) Don't know	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	4%	24%	72%	0%	1340
Nov 2021	3%	23%	74%	0%	1539
Dec 2020	5%	26%	69%	0%	1549

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Q8. Now thinking about your own personal finances, would you say that you and your family are financially better off, worse off, or just about the same as you were a year ago?

	Better off	Worse off	About the same	(VOL) Don't know	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	14%	32%	54%	0%	1341
Oct 2022	13%	43%	44%	0%	1176
May 2022	15%	36%	49%	0%	1176
Nov 2021	19%	17%	63%	0%	1541
May 2021	18%	24%	58%	0%	1069
Dec 2020	17%	22%	61%	0%	1551
May 2020	17%	25%	58%	1%	1043
Nov 2019	22%	22%	57%	0%	1015
Dec 2013	20%	23%	57%	0%	1078
Dec 2011	11%	36%	53%	0%	1295
Dec 2009	9%	52%	38%	1%	1077
Sep 2002	29%	26%	45%	0%	1035
Dec 2001	21%	27%	51%	0%	949
Jan 2001	38%	14%	47%	0%	1094
Sep 2000	43%	9%	48%	0%	1095
Sep 1999	34%	12%	54%	0%	914
Jan 1999	29%	15%	56%	0%	1054
Oct 1998	36%	11%	53%	0%	1110
Sep 1998	33%	12%	55%	0%	1046
May 1998	34%	13%	52%	0%	950
Apr 1998	37%	12%	52%	0%	992

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Q9. Now looking ahead, do you think a year from now that you
 and your family will be better off, worse off, or just about the
 same as now?

	Better off	Worse off	About the same	(VOL) Don't know	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	20%	25%	55%	1%	1342
Nov 2021	28%	16%	56%	0%	1542
Dec 2020	22%	17%	60%	0%	1551
Sep 2002	39%	8%	48%	5%	1035
Dec 2001	39%	9%	50%	2%	949
Jan 2001	38%	12%	45%	5%	1093
Sep 2000	46%	4%	45%	6%	1093
Sep 1999	38%	7%	53%	2%	912
Jan 1999	39%	8%	52%	2%	1055
Oct 1998	42%	6%	49%	2%	1110
Sep 1998	38%	7%	53%	3%	1045
Apr 1998	42%	6%	50%	2%	993

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Q11. Suppose that you have an emergency expense that costs \$1,000. Based on your current financial situation, how difficult would it be for you to pay for this expense?

	Not too difficult	Somewhat difficult	Very difficult	Nearly impossible	(VOL) Don't know	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	64%	22%	9%	5%	0%	1342
Nov 2021	69%	19%	7%	5%	0%	1538
Dec 2020	64%	21%	9%	6%	0%	1552

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Q12. Thinking about the current rate of inflation, meaning rising prices, is this something you are upset about, concerned about but not upset, or not concerned about?

	Upset	Concerned but not upset	Not concerned about	(VOL) Don't know	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	52%	46%	2%	0%	1342
Jul 2022	47%	50%	2%	1%	1131

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Q14. When children today in California grow up, do you think they will be better off or worse off financially than their parents?					
	Better off	Worse off	(VOL) About the same	(VOL) Don't know	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	25%	73%	0%	1%	1341
Nov 2021	30%	69%	0%	1%	1540
Dec 2020	30%	69%	0%	1%	1551
Dec 2018	30%	60%	3%	7%	1087
Dec 2014	28%	65%	3%	4%	1050

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Q15. Do you think the gap between the rich and the poor in your part of California is getting larger, getting smaller, or has it stayed the same?

	Getting larger	Getting smaller	Stayed the same	(VOL) Don't know	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	76%	2%	22%	0%	1341
Nov 2021	72%	4%	23%	1%	1538
May 2021	71%	3%	24%	3%	1069
Dec 2020	76%	2%	21%	0%	1552
Jan 2020	68%	2%	28%	1%	970
Mar 2019	72%	3%	23%	2%	1111
May 2017	66%	2%	28%	4%	1016

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Q16. Looking ahead to the year 2030, do you think the gap between the rich and the poor in your part of California will be larger, be smaller, or will be the same?

	Be larger	Be smaller	Will be the same	(VOL) Don't know	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	71%	4%	23%	1%	1342
Nov 2021	67%	9%	22%	2%	1539
Dec 2020	66%	8%	24%	2%	1552

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Q17. Now, please indicate whether you or anyone in your household has done or experienced any of the following in the last 12 months...Been laid off or lost their job?

	Yes, happened to me	Yes, happened to someone in my household	Yes, happened to me and someone in my household	Did not happen to anyone in my household	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	4%	4%	2%	90%	1340
Nov 2021	8%	7%	3%	82%	1534
Dec 2020	13%	14%	2%	72%	1548

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Q18. Now, please indicate whether you or anyone in your household has done or experienced any of the following in the last 12 months...Had work hours reduced or pay cut?

	Yes, happened to me	Yes, happened to someone in my household	Yes, happened to me and someone in my household	Did not happen to anyone in my household	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	7%	6%	4%	83%	1342
Nov 2021	13%	11%	4%	73%	1537
Dec 2020	17%	16%	7%	60%	1550

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Q19. Now, please indicate whether you or anyone in your household has done or experienced any of the following in the last 12 months...Put off seeing a doctor or purchasing medication for financial reasons?

	Yes, happened to me	Yes, happened to someone in my household	Yes, happened to me and someone in my household	Did not happen to anyone in my household	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	9%	5%	4%	82%	1342
Nov 2021	11%	5%	3%	82%	1538
Dec 2020	9%	5%	5%	80%	1549

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Q20. Now, please indicate whether you or anyone in your household has done or experienced any of the following in the last 12 months...Was not able to pay a monthly bill?

	Yes, happened to me	Yes, happened to someone in my household	Yes, happened to me and someone in my household	Did not happen to anyone in my household	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	6%	4%	3%	87%	1340
Nov 2021	9%	3%	3%	85%	1537
Dec 2020	7%	5%	4%	85%	1551

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Q21. Now, please indicate whether you or anyone in your household has done or experienced any of the following in the last 12 months...Received food stamps?

	Yes, happened to me	Yes, happened to someone in my household	Yes, happened to me and someone in my household	Did not happen to anyone in my household	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	6%	3%	2%	89%	1342
Nov 2021	5%	5%	1%	89%	1536
Dec 2020	6%	5%	1%	88%	1549

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Q22. Now, please indicate whether you or anyone in your household has done or experienced any of the following in the last 12 months...Reduced meals or cut back on food to save money?

	Yes, happened to me	Yes, happened to someone in my household	Yes, happened to me and someone in my household	Did not happen to anyone in my household	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	15%	3%	12%	71%	1340
Nov 2021	11%	1%	7%	81%	1536
Dec 2020	11%	3%	7%	79%	1551

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Q23. Now, please indicate whether you or anyone in your household has done or experienced any of the following in the last 12 months...Received unemployment benefits?

	Yes, happened to me	Yes, happened to someone in my household	Yes, happened to me and someone in my household	Did not happen to anyone in my household	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	3%	5%	3%	90%	1339
Nov 2021	10%	11%	3%	75%	1537
Dec 2020	13%	15%	3%	69%	1550

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Q24. Now, please indicate whether you or anyone in your household has done or experienced any of the following in the last 12 months...Received food from a food bank or pantry?

	Yes, happened to me	Yes, happened to someone in my household	Yes, happened to me and someone in my household	Did not happen to anyone in my household	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	5%	3%	2%	89%	1342
Nov 2021	7%	2%	3%	87%	1536
Dec 2020	8%	4%	3%	85%	1550

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Q26. Now, please indicate whether you or anyone in your household has done or experienced any of the following in the last 12 months...Had difficulty paying rent or mortgage?

	Yes, happened to me	Yes, happened to someone in my household	Yes, happened to me and someone in my household	Did not happen to anyone in my household	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	5%	4%	4%	87%	1339
Nov 2021	6%	3%	3%	88%	1539
Dec 2020	7%	6%	3%	84%	1550

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Q27. Next, how often, if ever, do you worry about each of the following? You or someone in your family losing their job?

	Every day	Almost every day	Sometimes	Rarely	Never	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	8%	6%	26%	24%	35%	1341
Nov 2021	7%	6%	29%	25%	33%	1540
Dec 2020	8%	8%	33%	21%	30%	1550

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Q28. Next, how often, if ever, do you worry about each of the following? The cost of healthcare for you and your family?

	Every day	Almost every day	Sometimes	Rarely	Never	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	13%	9%	34%	20%	23%	1342
Nov 2021	9%	9%	37%	20%	25%	1540
Dec 2020	11%	8%	35%	22%	24%	1552

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Q29. Next, how often, if ever, do you worry about each of the following? The cost of housing for you and your family?

	Every day	Almost every day	Sometimes	Rarely	Never	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	12%	13%	27%	19%	29%	1342
Nov 2021	11%	11%	30%	19%	28%	1538
Dec 2020	11%	11%	29%	19%	29%	1550

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Q30. Next, how often, if ever, do you worry about each of the following? Paying your bills?

	Every day	Almost every day	Sometimes	Rarely	Never	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	9%	11%	29%	25%	27%	1342
Nov 2021	8%	8%	24%	26%	34%	1538
Dec 2020	9%	8%	24%	26%	32%	1552

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Q31. Next, how often, if ever, do you worry about each of the following? The cost of childcare?

	Every day	Almost every day	Sometimes	Rarely	Never	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	3%	1%	7%	9%	80%	1342
Nov 2021	3%	2%	9%	11%	74%	1537
Dec 2020	3%	1%	10%	8%	77%	1548

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Q32. Next, how often, if ever, do you worry about each of the following? The amount of debt your have?

	Every day	Almost every day	Sometimes	Rarely	Never	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	11%	11%	26%	23%	30%	1342
Nov 2021	11%	8%	25%	24%	33%	1539
Dec 2020	11%	8%	24%	25%	32%	1550

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Q34 Next, how often, if ever, do you worry about each of the following? Being able to save enough for your retirement?

	Every day	Almost every day	Sometimes	Rarely	Never	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	16%	14%	34%	15%	21%	1342
Nov 2021	15%	13%	34%	16%	21%	1534
Dec 2020	14%	13%	33%	18%	23%	1550

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Q35. Overall, would you say you are satisfied or dissatisfied with your job?

	Very satisfied	Somewhat satisfied	Not satisfied	(VOL) Don't know	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	38%	52%	9%	0%	588
Nov 2021	36%	51%	12%	0%	689

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Q36. Would you say that you
 have stable and predictable
 pay at work?

	Yes	No	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	88%	12%	587
Nov 2021	90%	10%	689
Dec 2020	86%	14%	706

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Q37. Would you say that you
 have stable and predictable
 hours at work?

	Yes	No	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	81%	19%	587
Nov 2021	84%	16%	689
Dec 2020	83%	17%	707

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Q38. Would you say that your
 job offers opportunities for
 growth and advancement?

	Yes	No	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	60%	40%	588
Nov 2021	64%	36%	688
Dec 2020	62%	38%	706

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Q40. Would you say that you
 can voice concerns at work
 without fear of negative
 consequences?

	Yes	No	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	73%	27%	587
Nov 2021	74%	26%	689
Dec 2020	76%	24%	706

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Q41. Would you say that
decisions made at work take
into account your views and
concerns?

	Yes	No	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	60%	40%	587
Nov 2021	62%	38%	689
Dec 2020	71%	29%	706

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Q46. Next, does your workplace offer a membership in or affiliation with a union, occupation association, worker center, or other type of group that represents workers?

	Yes	No	(VOL) Don't know	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	37%	63%	0%	588
Nov 2021	33%	67%	0%	689
Dec 2020	34%	66%	0%	707

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Q46a And are you or is anyone in your immediate family a member of a labor union? [if yes, ask: Is that person you or another person in your family?]

	Yes, respondent	Yes, another person in family	Yes, both	No	(VOL) Don't know	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	20%	15%	5%	60%	0%	587
Nov 2021	15%	13%	4%	67%	0%	690
Oct 2005	13%	13%	4%	68%	1%	1168
Aug 2005	15%	10%	3%	71%	1%	1056
Oct 2004	13%	10%	3%	73%	1%	1214
Sep 2004	12%	11%	2%	74%	0%	1204
Aug 2004	15%	11%	2%	71%	1%	1186
May 2004	13%	10%	3%	73%	1%	1104
Feb 2004	11%	13%	2%	74%	1%	1014
Jan 2004	11%	12%	5%	72%	1%	981
Jun 2003	23%	0%	0%	77%	0%	1035
Feb 2003	25%	0%	0%	74%	1%	1082

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Q47. Does your current job provide healthcare coverage?			
	Yes	No	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	78%	22%	588
Nov 2021	81%	19%	689
Dec 2020	76%	24%	707

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Q48. Does your current job provide paid sick leave?

	Yes	No	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	82%	18%	587
Nov 2021	85%	15%	689
Dec 2020	81%	19%	706

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Q49. Does your current job provide retirement savings?			
	Yes	No	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	75%	25%	587
Nov 2021	76%	24%	689
Dec 2020	66%	34%	707

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Q50. Does your current job
provide educational or training
assistance?

	Yes	No	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	55%	45%	587
Nov 2021	57%	43%	689
Dec 2020	53%	47%	707

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Q51. Next, please read these two statements and say if you completely agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or completely disagree with each one. It is important for workers to organize so that employers do not take advantage of them.

	Completely agree	Somewhat agree	Somewhat disagree	Completely disagree	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	43%	36%	14%	7%	1341
Nov 2021	44%	36%	13%	6%	1537
Dec 2020	42%	36%	14%	7%	1550

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Q52. Next, please read these two statements and say if you completely agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or completely disagree with each one.
 Voting gives people like me some say in what the government does.

	Completely agree	Somewhat agree	Somewhat disagree	Completely disagree	(VOL) Don't know	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	46%	41%	7%	6%	0%	1342
Nov 2021	46%	40%	9%	6%	0%	1539
Dec 2020	47%	43%	6%	4%	0%	1552
Dec 2015	32%	47%	12%	8%	1%	1111

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Q53. Do you favor or oppose a
 government policy to make
 college tuition free at both
 public two-year and four-year
 colleges?

	Favor	Oppose	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	57%	43%	1336
Nov 2021	60%	40%	1536
Dec 2020	59%	41%	1549

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Q54. Would you favor or
oppose a government policy to
eliminate college debt?

	Favor	Oppose	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	51%	49%	1336
Nov 2021	55%	45%	1534
Dec 2020	60%	40%	1547

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Q55. Do you favor or oppose
 increasing government funding
 so that child care programs
 are available for more lower-
 income working parents?

	Favor	Oppose	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	74%	26%	1340
Nov 2021	74%	26%	1536
Dec 2020	76%	24%	1552

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Q56. Do you favor or oppose
 increasing government funding
 for job training programs so
 that more workers have the
 skills they need for today's
 jobs?

	Favor	Oppose	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	80%	20%	1337
Nov 2021	82%	18%	1534
Dec 2020	82%	18%	1550

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Q57. Would you favor or
 oppose the government
 offering a health insurance
 plan, similar to Medicare, that
 Americans can choose to
 purchase instead of private
 insurance?

	Favor	Oppose	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	73%	27%	1339
Nov 2021	74%	26%	1535
Dec 2020	75%	25%	1552

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Q58. Do you favor or oppose
 the government expanding the
 eligibility and payments of the
 earned income tax credit for
 lower-income working families
 and individuals?

	Favor	Oppose	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	68%	32%	1336
Nov 2021	71%	29%	1529
Dec 2020	72%	28%	1546

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Q59. Would you favor or
 oppose the federal
 government providing a
 guaranteed income,
 sometimes called a "Universal
 Basic Income," of about
 \$1,000 a month for all adult
 citizens, whether or not they
 work?

	Favor	Oppose	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	40%	60%	1338
Nov 2021	43%	57%	1532
Dec 2020	43%	57%	1544

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Q63. How big of a problem is racism in the U.S. today? Is it a big problem, somewhat of a problem, a small problem, or not a problem at all?

	Big problem	Somewhat of a problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	(VOL) Don't know	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	42%	35%	16%	8%	0%	1341
Apr 2022	50%	27%	16%	7%	0%	1057
Nov 2021	49%	31%	13%	7%	0%	1539
Jul 2021	55%	25%	13%	7%	0%	1117
Apr 2021	61%	23%	10%	6%	0%	1103
Dec 2020	56%	26%	11%	7%	0%	1552
Jul 2020	61%	22%	12%	5%	0%	1032

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Q64. Was there a time in the last twelve months when you felt
 you were treated unfairly at your place of work because of your
 racial or ethnic background?

	Yes	No	(VOL) Don't know	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	7%	93%	0%	1340
Nov 2021	7%	93%	0%	1537
Dec 2020	8%	92%	0%	1551

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Q65. How much do you think that racial and ethnic discrimination contributes to economic inequality in this country?

	A great deal	A fair amount	Not too much	Not at all	(VOL) Don't know	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	30%	38%	22%	10%	0%	1341
Nov 2021	39%	32%	20%	9%	0%	1539
Dec 2020	39%	35%	19%	8%	0%	1552

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Q66. What do you think is the best way to address the most important problems facing California today? (ROTATE) [1] the Governor and State Legislature should decide what to do and pass state laws, OR [2] California voters should decide what to do by bringing citizens' initiatives to the state ballot and passing them?

	Governor and legislature	Citizens' initiatives	(VOL) Don't know	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	33%	66%	1%	1339
Jan 1999	25%	71%	5%	1049

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Q69. Do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with the following statement: The wording of citizens' initiatives on the state ballot is often too complicated and confusing for voters to understand what happens if the if the initiative passes.

	strongly agree	somewhat agree	somewhat disagree	strongly disagree	(VOL) Don't know	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	37%	50%	9%	3%	1%	1341
Apr 2022	45%	46%	6%	2%	2%	1057
Oct 2020	45%	37%	11%	5%	3%	1180
Sep 2016	43%	36%	13%	6%	2%	1054
May 2013	52%	31%	9%	6%	2%	575
Sep 2008	55%	29%	8%	6%	2%	1282
Sep 2006	52%	27%	13%	6%	1%	1212
Sep 2005	53%	29%	11%	5%	2%	1118
Aug 2004	48%	32%	10%	8%	2%	1188
Oct 1998	48%	34%	10%	5%	3%	1111

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Q70. Would you favor or oppose having an independent citizens' initiative commission that would hold public hearings on initiatives then make ballot recommendations in the Secretary of State's voter information guide?

	Favor	Oppose	(VOL) Don't know	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	76%	23%	1%	1340
Apr 2022	77%	20%	3%	1055
May 2013	69%	27%	4%	1127

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Q71. Would you favor or oppose having the yes
 and no sides of the citizens' initiative campaigns
 participate in a series of televised debates?

	Favor	Oppose	(VOL) Don't know	Unweighted n
Nov 2022	82%	16%	2%	1340
May 2013	76%	22%	2%	549

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