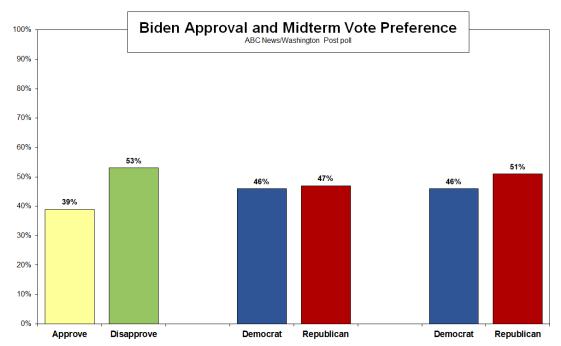
# Biden Struggles, As Does His Party; Most Dems Look Elsewhere for 2024

His party struggling in the midterms, his economic stewardship under fire and his overall job approval under 40 percent, a clear majority of Democrats in the latest ABC News/Washington Post poll say the party should replace Joe Biden as its nominee for president in 2024.

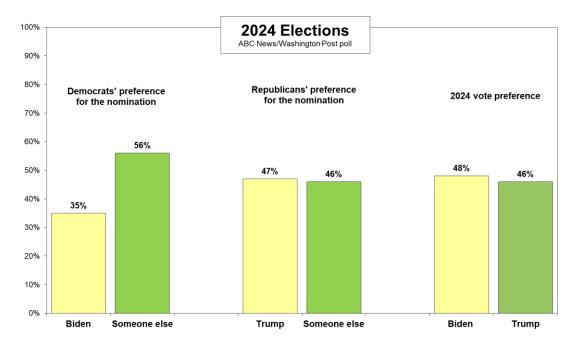
In the midterm election ahead, registered voters divide 47-46 percent between the Republican and the Democratic candidate in their House district, historically not enough to prevent typical first-midterm losses. And one likely voter model has a 51-46 percent Republican-Democratic split.



Looking two years off, just 35 percent of Democrats and Democratic-leaning independents favor Biden for the 2024 nomination; 56 percent want the party to pick someone else. Republicans and GOP-leaning independents, for their part, split 47-46 percent on whether Donald Trump should be their 2024 nominee – a 20-point drop for Trump compared with his 2020 nomination. The unpopularity of both figures may encourage third-party hopefuls, though they rarely do well.

In a head-to-head rematch, the poll, produced for ABC by <u>Langer Research Associates</u>, finds a 48-46 percent Biden-Trump contest, essentially tied. Among registered voters, the numbers reverse to 46-48 percent. That's even while 52 percent of Americans say Trump should be

charged with a crime in any of the matters in which he's under federal investigation, similar to views after the storming of the U.S. Capitol on Jan. 6.



On issues, the survey finds broad opposition to the U.S. Supreme Court's ruling eliminating a constitutional right to abortion and a big Democratic advantage in trust to handle the issue. But there's no sign it's impacting propensity to vote in comparison with other issues: four rank higher in importance and two of them – the economy overall and inflation specifically – work strongly in the GOP's favor.

BIDEN and the MIDTERMS – The president's standing customarily is critical to his party's fortunes in midterms – and Biden is well under water. Thirty-nine percent of Americans approve of his job performance while 53 percent disapprove, about where he's been steadily the past year. Specifically on the economy, with inflation near a 40-year high, he's at 36-57 percent, a 21-point deficit.

Each election has its own dynamic. But in midterm elections since 1946, when a president has had more than 50 percent job approval, his party has lost an average of 14 seats. When the president's approval has been less than 50 percent – as Biden's is by a considerable margin now – his party has lost an average of 37 seats.

Midterm Vote and Presidential Approval Vital Statistics on Congress and Gallup polls				
Average in-party losses in midterms since 1946				
President above 50% approval	14 seats			
President below 50% approval	37 seats			

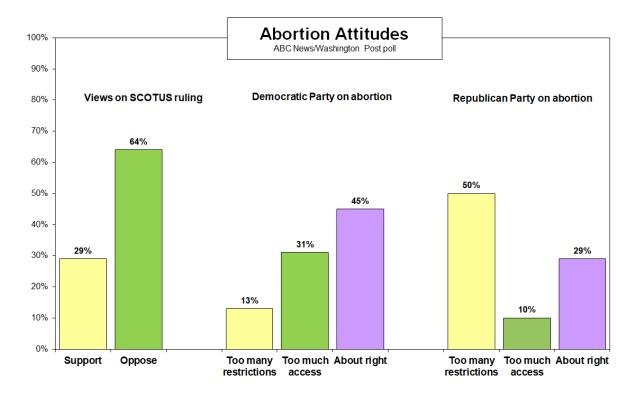
There's one slightly better result for Biden, though it's relatively thin soup: Forty percent say he's accomplished a great deal or a good amount as president, up from 35 percent last fall. This usually is a tepid measure; it's averaged 43 percent across four presidents in 11 previous polls since 1993.

There's something else the Democrats can hang on to: Their current results are better than last November, when the Republicans led in national House vote preferences by 10 percentage points, 51-41 percent – the largest midterm Republican lead in ABC/Post polls dating back 40 years.

It's true, too, that national House vote polling offers only a rough gauge of ultimate seats won or lost, in what, after all, are local races, influenced by incumbency, gerrymandering, candidate attributes and local as well as national issues.

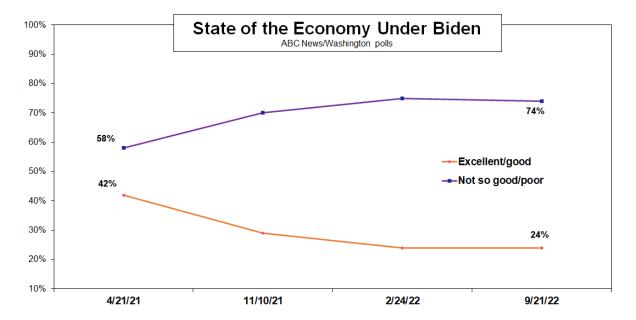
ISSUES – The Democrats are not without ammunition in midterm campaigning: As noted, Americans broadly reject the U.S. Supreme Court ruling eliminating the constitutional right to an abortion – 29 percent support it, with 64 percent opposed. (Indeed, 53 percent strongly oppose it, compared with 21 percent strong support.) And the public trusts the Democratic Party over the Republican Party to handle abortion by a wide 20 points.

In another measure, while 31 percent say the Democratic Party is too permissive on abortion, many more, 50 percent, say the GOP is too restrictive.



But if abortion keeps the Republicans from entirely nationalizing the election around the economy, it doesn't defang the public's economic discontent. Seventy-four percent say the economy is in bad shape, up from 58 percent in the spring after Biden took office. The GOP leads the Democrats by 16 points in trust to handle the economy overall and by 19 points in trust to handle inflation.

Equally important, 84 percent call the economy a top issue in their vote for Congress and 76 percent say the same about inflation. Many fewer, 62 percent, call abortion a top issue.



Other issues also differentiate the parties. In addition to the economy, the Republicans can be expected to focus on crime in the campaigns' closing weeks; they lead by 14 points in trust to handle it, and it's highly important to 69 percent. The Democrats, in return, hold a wide 23-point advantage in trust to handle climate change, though it's highly important to far fewer, 50 percent.

The parties run closely on two other issues – education and schools, Democrats +6, highly important to 77 percent; and immigration, essentially an even division, highly important to 61 percent.

Issue Importance and Party Trust  ABC News/Washington Post poll						
	Highly important	Trust to handle difference				
Economy	84%	R+16				
<b>Education and schools</b>	77	D+6				
Inflation	76	R+19				
Crime	69	R+14				
Abortion	62	D+20				
Immigration	61	D+1				
Climate change	50	D+23				

When these are assessed as a combination of importance and party preference, inflation and the economy top the list, followed by abortion, then climate change, crime, education and immigration.

While inflation, the economy and abortion are marquee issues, one stands out for another reason: The Republicans' 14-point advantage in trust to handle crime matches its largest since 1991. Among independents, it's a whopping 34-point GOP lead.

Results among registered and likely voters alike are highly similar to those among all adults (and there's still time to register). Among shifts, in one likely voter model, the Democratic lead in trust on abortion slightly shrinks.

More broadly, Americans divide evenly, 42-42 percent, on which party they trust more to cope with the main problems the country faces in the next few years (average trust across the seven individual issues tested in the survey likewise is essentially even). This compares with an average 5-point Democratic advantage on this question in more than 100 ABC/Post surveys since 1982.

A comparison with the 2018 midterms is instructive: Then, the public by 55-39 percent preferred to see Congress controlled by the Democrats, to act as a check on Trump, than by the Republicans, to support Trump's agenda. Today, 48 percent prefer a Republican Congress, to act as a check on Biden; 45 percent, a Democratic one, to support his agenda. As with vote preferences, this goes to 51-46 percent for the GOP in one likely voter model.

The fact that the Democrats don't trail significantly in views on party control offers them some hope, as does their lead on the abortion issue. Historically, though, given lower turnout, the Democrats need an advantage, not just parity, in pre-election estimates.

And another result is notable: Among those living in congressional districts that are rated as at least somewhat competitive by ABC's FiveThirtyEight (neither solid Republican nor solid Democratic), registered voters favor Republican candidates by a wide 55-34 percent – nearly as big as the Republican lead in solid GOP districts (+24 points). Democrats lead by 35 points in solid Democratic districts, pointing to a potential overvote where they're most prevalent.

TURNOUT – Seventy-two percent of registered voters say they're certain to vote in the congressional election in their district; slightly more, 76 percent, said so in October 2018, a year in which turnout hit a postwar high for a midterm. In another gauge, 66 percent say voting in this election is more important to them than in past midterms, the same as in 2018.

Issues don't substantively differentiate intended turnout. For example, among registered voters who call abortion a top issue, 75 percent say they're certain to vote, while among those who call the economy a top issue, an almost-identical 74 percent say they'll vote.

Indeed, on abortion, supporters of the Supreme Court ruling are more apt than its critics to say voting is more important to them in this election than in previous midterms, 73 vs. 64 percent. Also, 76 percent of the ruling's supporters say they're certain to vote, as are 70 percent of its opponents.

Intention to turn out is influenced by other factors. Among all adults, it's considerably higher among whites – 72 percent certain to vote – than among Black people (55 percent) or Hispanics (46 percent) – a result that advantages Republicans, whose support is strongest by far among whites.

GROUPS – Beyond differential turnout, weakness in midterm vote preference among Black and Hispanic voters may compound Democratic concerns. While Democratic House candidates lead their Republican opponents by 61 points among Black adults who are registered to vote, that compares with at least 79-point margins in exit polls in the past four midterms.

This survey's sample of Hispanics who are registered to vote is too small for reliable analysis, but the contest among them looks much closer than recent Democratic margins – 40 points in 2018, 27 points in 2014 and 22 points in 2010.

Republican candidates, meanwhile, show some strength among registered voters who don't have a college degree, +11 points in vote preference compared with an even split in the 2018 ABC News exit poll. A factor: Non-college adults are 8 points more likely than those with four-year degrees to say they're not just concerned but upset about the current inflation rate.

Results among other groups don't provide evidence for the hypothesis that the abortion ruling might boost the Democrats, compared with past years, among some women. Women younger than 40 support the Democratic candidate in their district by 19 points, but did so by 43 points in the 2018 exit poll. Suburban women split about evenly between the parties (44-47 percent, D-R), about the same as among suburban men (45-50 percent). Independent women are +5 GOP in vote preference; independent men, essentially the same, +3.

Independents overall – often a swing voter group – divide 42-47 percent between Democratic and Republican candidates. This is a group that voted Democratic by 12 points in 2018 – but Republican by 14 points in 2014 (when the GOP won 13 House seats) and by 19 points in 2010 (when the GOP won 63 seats).

Lastly, there are some milestones in Biden's approval rating. He's at new lows in approval among liberals (68 percent), Southerners (33 percent) and people in the middle- to upper-middle income range (34 percent). And his strong approval among Black adults – among the most stalwart Democratic groups – is at a career-low 31 percent.

METHODOLOGY – This ABC News/Washington Post poll was conducted by landline and cellular telephone Sept. 18-21, 2022, in English and Spanish, among a random national sample of 1,006 adults, including 908 registered voters. Results have a margin of <u>sampling error</u> of 3.5 percentage points, including the design effect. Partisan divisions in the full sample are 28-24-41 percent, Democrats-Republicans-independents, and 27-26-40 percent among registered voters.

The survey was produced for ABC News by <u>Langer Research Associates</u> of New York, N.Y., with sampling and data collection by Abt Associates of Rockville, Md. See details on the survey's methodology <u>here</u>.

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### Full results follow.

- \* in columns = less than 0.5 percent
- 1. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling his job as president? Do you approve/disapprove strongly or somewhat?

		Approve			Disapprove			
	NET	Strongly	Somewhat	NET	Somewhat	Strongly	opinion	
9/21/22	39	22	18	53	11	41	8	
4/28/22	42	21	21	52	10	42	6	
2/24/22	37	20	18	55	11	44	7	
11/10/21	41	19	22	53	10	44	6	
9/1/21	44	25	19	51	9	42	5	
6/30/21	50	30	19	42	7	35	8	
4/21/21	52	34	18	42	7	35	6	

2. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Biden is handling the economy?

	Approve	Disapprove	No opinion
9/21/22	36	57	6
4/28/22	38	57	5
2/24/22	37	58	5
11/10/21	39	55	6
9/1/21	45	49	5
4/21/21	52	41	7

3. (ASK IF REGISTERED TO VOTE) Thinking about the upcoming election for the U.S. House and some U.S. Senate and governor seats, are you following the election very closely, somewhat closely, not so closely or not closely at all? (IF VERY CLOSELY) Would you say you're following it extremely closely, or very closely?

		Closely				Not closely			
	NET	Extremely	Very	Somewhat	NET	Not so	Not at all	opin.	
RV	74	7	25	42	26	14	12	*	
RV	81	8	32	40	19	11	8	*	
RV	68	NA	25	44	31	16	15	*	
RV	71		24	47	29	18	11	*	
RV	76		32	45	23	14	10	*	
RV	71		24	46	29	18	11	*	
RV	80		38	42	20	13	7	*	
RV	78		29	50	22	13	8	*	
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9/7/06	RV	66		20	46	34	20	14	*
8/6/06	RV	66		21	45	34	23	11	*
5/15/06	RV	60	11	20	40	39	23	16	*

4. How likely are you to vote in the congressional election in November - are you absolutely certain to vote, will you probably vote, are the chances 50-50, or less than that?

		Certain	Probably	Chances	Less than	will vote	voted	No
		to vote	vote	50/50	50/50	(vol.)	(vol.)	op.
9/21/22		65	16	9	7	3	NA	1
9/21/22	RV	72	14	9	4	1	NA	1
4/28/22		68	13	11	6	2	NA	*
4/28/22	RV	75	13	9	3	1	NA	*
2/24/22		67	13	10	5	4	NA	1
2/24/22	RV	75	12	9	2	1	NA	*
11/1/18*	RV	65	9	8	2	1	14	1
10/11/18	RV	76	12	7	3	*	*	*
8/29/18	RV	75	13	10	2	*	NA	*
4/11/18**		67	13	13	5	1		1
1/18/18**		62	17	14	5	1		*
11/1/17**	RV	62	19	14	3	1		*
7/13/17**	RV	66	17	11	4	1	"	1
10/26/14	RV	59	15	11	7	1	6	*
10/12/14	RV	63	15	15	5	2	1	0
9/7/14	RV	71	16	9	2	1	NA	*
6/1/14	RV	74	12	9	4	1		*
4/27/14	RV	68	15	12	4	1	"	*
10/28/10	RV	64	13	11	5	1	7	0
10/3/10	RV	70	15	9	5	2	NA	*
9/2/10	RV	70	14	14	1	1		0
7/11/10	RV	73	13	11	2	*		*
6/6/10	RV	72	14	11	3	*	"	0
11/4/06	RV	70	11	7	4	2	5	*
10/22/06	RV	75	14	7	3	*	1	2

<sup>\*11/1/18</sup> and previous: I'd like you to rate the chances that you will vote in the congressional election in your district [insert time frame]: 11/1/18 "next week"; 10/26/14 "the week after next"; 10/11/18 and 10/12/14 "next month"; 8/29/18, 9/7/14 and previous "in November" except for 10/28/10 and 11/04/06 "next week's congressional election"

5. (ASK IF REGISTERED TO VOTE) If the election for the U.S. House of Representatives were being held today, would you vote for (the Democratic candidate) or (the Republican candidate) in your congressional district? Would you lean toward the (Democratic candidate) or toward the (Republican candidate)?

NET LEANED VOTE PREFERENCE - REG VOTERS

	Dem cand.	Rep cand.	Other (vol.)	Neither (vol.)	Would not vote (vol.)	No opinion
0/21/22	46	47	( ∨ ∪ ⊥ . )	( ∨ Ο ⊥ . )	*	4
9/21/22	40	4 /	Τ.	2	^	4
4/28/22	46	45	1	5	*	4
2/24/22	42	49	1	3	1	4
11/10/21	41	51	1	4	*	4
11/1/18	50	43	1	3	1	3
10/11/18	53	42	*	2	*	3
8/29/18	52	38	1	3	0	6
4/11/18	47	43	1	3	*	5
1/18/18	51	39	1	2	1	6
11/1/17	51	40	1	3	1	4

<sup>\*\*&</sup>quot;How likely are you to vote in the congressional election in 2018"  $\,$ 

10/24/16 LV	47	46	1	1	1	4
10/13/16	48	42	1	3	1	5
5/19/16	45	45	*	3	1	6
10/26/14	47	44	1	2	1	5
10/12/14	46	44	1	3	1	5
9/7/14	46	44	1	4	1	4
6/1/14	47	45	1	3	1	4
4/27/14	45	44	1	2	1	7
3/2/14	46	45	1	3	*	5
1/23/14	45	46	1	3	1	5
12/15/13	47	45	1	4	1	3
10/20/13	48	40	1	5	1	4
5/19/13	48	40	2	4	1	6
10/28/10	49	44	1	2	*	3
10/3/10	47	43	1	3	1	5
9/2/10*	45	47	1	2	1	5
7/11/10	46	47	*	2	*	5
6/6/10	47	44	2	2	1	4
4/25/10	48	43	1	2	1	6
3/26/10	48	44	1	2	*	4
2/8/10	45	48	*	3	*	4
Call for ful	ll trend.					

<sup>\*9/2/10</sup> and previous: "Will not vote (vol.)"

6. (ASK IF REGISTERED TO VOTE) Compared with past midterm elections, is voting this year much more important to you, more important, the same, less important or much less important?

	- Mo:	re impor	tant -	About	- Les	ss impor	tant -	First year	
		Much		the			Much	eligible	No
	NET	more	More	same	NET	Less	less	(vol.)	opinion
9/21/22	66	35	32	28	4	3	2	0	1
10/11/18	66	34	33	31	3	2	1	0	*
8/29/18	65	32	33	31	.3	2	1	*	*

7. Overall, which party, the (Democrats) or the (Republicans), do you trust to do a better job in coping with the main problems the nation faces over the next few years?

			Both	Neither	
	Democrats	Republicans	(vol.)	(vol.)	No opinion
9/21/22	42	42	1	9	6
10/11/18	45	37	2	11	4
10/26/14	39	37	4	14	6
10/12/14	39	39	3	15	5
9/7/14	39	40	3	14	4
4/27/14	40	34	2	17	7
6/5/11	41	32	2	20	4
10/28/10 RV	45	40	2	11	2
10/3/10	42	38	3	15	2
9/2/10	40	37	3	18	2
6/6/10	44	32	2	18	4
4/25/10	46	32	2	18	3
2/8/10	43	37	2	17	2
11/15/09	47	31	2	17	3
9/12/09	48	28	3	19	2
2/22/09	56	30	3	9	3
12/14/08	56	23	3	15	3
5/11/08	53	32	2	10	2
10/8/06	54	35	2	7	2
9/7/06	47	38	1	10	4
6/25/06	48	38	1	10	3

5/15/06	50	36	1	11	3
4/9/06	51	37	1	9	2
3/5/06	42	40	2	14	2
1/26/06	51	37	1	8	3
Call for full	trend.				

8. Would you rather see the next Congress controlled by the (Republicans, to act as a check on Biden), or controlled by the (Democrats, to support Biden's agenda)?

	Controlled	Controlled	No
	by Democrats	by Republicans	opinion
9/21/22	45	48	6
2/24/22	40	50	11

#### Compare to:

Would you rather see the next Congress controlled by the (Democrats, to act as a check on Trump), or controlled by the (Republicans, to support Trump's agenda)?

	Controlled	Controlled	No
	by Democrats	by Republicans	opinion
10/11/18	55	39	7
8/29/18	60	31	8
7/13/17	53	35	12

9. Which political party, the (Democrats) or the (Republicans) do you trust to do a better job handling [ITEM]?

# 9/21/22 - Summary table

				Both	Neither	No
		Democrats	Republicans	(vol.)	(vol.)	opinion
a.	the economy	37	53	2	5	3
b.	abortion	52	32	1	6	8
c.	crime	38	52	2	5	3
d.	education and schools	47	41	2	6	4
e.	climate change	54	31	2	7	6
f.	immigration	44	43	2	7	5
g.	inflation, that is					
	rising prices	35	54	1	8	3

 $<sup>^{\</sup>star}$ full sample asked a-b and e, half sample asked c-d, other half asked f-g

## Trend:

#### a. the economy

			Both	Neither	No
	Democrats	Republicans	(vol.)	(vol.)	opinion
9/21/22	37	53	2	5	3
4/28/22	36	50	2	10	3
2/24/22	35	54	1	7	3
11/1/18 RV	39	48	3	7	4
10/11/18 RV	40	47	3	6	3
10/11/18	41	45	3	7	4
10/12/14	37	42	3	13	5
9/7/14	40	45	1	10	4
4/27/14	41	38	2	14	5
3/2/14	41	41	2	12	3
1/23/14	37	44	2	15	3
10/3/10	44	37	4	14	2
9/2/10	42	40	2	15	2
7/11/10	42	34	3	17	5

3/26/10	44	36	3	16	1
2/1/08	52	33	2	10	3
12/9/07	51	33	2	9	5
11/1/07	50	35	3	9	4
9/30/07	51	33	2	11	3
10/22/06 RV	50	41	2	5	2
10/8/06	54	37	3	6	1
9/7/06	50	39	1	7	4
6/25/06	52	39	1	5	3
5/15/06	52	34	3	9	2
4/9/06	49	43	1	4	3
3/5/06	49	40	2	8	2
1/26/06	55	37	2	5	2
11/2/05	56	34	1	8	1
12/15/02	44	45	4	6	1
10/27/02* LV	43	48	3	3	2
9/26/02*	47	39	3	6	5
7/15/02**	38	48	3	6	5
1/27/02**	39	48	5	6	3
4/22/01***	47	43	4	4	3
9/28/98	53	40	NA	NA	7
7/12/98	49	37	4	5	6
1/19/98	45	44	3	6	3
7/8/97	43	39	5	12	2
10/23/94	38	43	3	14	2
9/11/94	39	43	3	11	4
2/27/94	47	36	3	11	3
2/2/92	49	38	2	7	4
12/15/91	43	36	4	11	5
3/4/91	32	49	5	10	4
1/16/90	33	52	4	7	4
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# b. abortion

			Both	Neither	No
	Democrats	Republicans	(vol.)	(vol.)	opinion
9/21/22	52	32	1	6	8
4/28/22	47	37	1	10	5

## c. crime

			Both equally		No
	Democrats	Republicans	(vol.)	(vol.)	opinion
9/21/22	38	52	2	5	3
4/28/22	35	47	3	11	5
6/30/21	35	36	3	20	7
10/27/06*	38	36	5	9	1.2
10/25/02*	27	40	11	7	15
9/1/02**	31	45	7	7	11
6/6/99***	40	37	4	12	8
3/14/99	38	42	6	7	7
9/28/98****	44	45	NA	NA	1.2
7/12/98	40	39	5	8	8
1/19/98	39	42	5	9	5
7/8/97	38	34	7	16	4
10/23/94	36	34	5	19	6
9/11/94	43	33	6	13	6
2/27/94	39	32	7	18	3
2/2/92	39	35	7	11	7
12/15/91	34	35	8	15	7

<sup>\*&</sup>quot;The economy and jobs"

\*\*"Improving the economy"

\*\*\*4/22/01 and previous: "The nation's economy"

3/4/91	28	46	9	12	4
1/16/90	31	43	8	12	6

<sup>\*</sup>Newsweek

### d. education and schools

			Both	Neither	No
	Democrats	Republicans	(vol.)	(vol.)	op.
9/21/22	47	41	2	6	ор. 4
4/28/22	47	39	1	10	3
2/24/22	44	41	2	10	3
11/10/21	44	41	1	9	5
5/15/06*	56	33	3	6	3
11/2/05	55	32	4	7	2
12/15/02	49	40	4	5	2
10/27/02 LV	44	45	4	3	3
9/26/02	46	39	4	5	6
9/1/02**	40	39	6	6	9
7/15/02***	41	41	4	7	7
1/27/02	40	45	8	4	3
4/22/01	48	40	5	5	3
9/28/98	56	35	NA	NA	9
7/12/98	52	31	5	5	7
1/19/98	54	34	4	5	3
7/8/97	51	30	5	9	4
10/23/94	45	30	6	13	6
9/11/94	48	33	6	8	5
2/27/94	53	28	5	11	3
2/2/92	55	29	6	5	5
12/15/91	47	31	6	10	6
3/4/91	39	41	8	9	4
1/16/90	45	36	7	9	3
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 $<sup>\</sup>star 5/15/06$  and previous: "handling education"

### e. climate change

				Both	Neither	No
		Democrats	Republicans	(vol.)	(vol.)	opinion
9/21/22		54	31	2	7	6
11/1/18*	RV	56	24	2	9	9
*"global	warn	nina"				

# f. immigration

9/21/22 4/28/22 11/1/18 RV 10/11/18 7/19/15* 10/12/14 9/7/14 4/27/14 3/2/14 1/23/14 10/3/10	Democrats 44 40 47 50 37 37 39 40 44 39 37	Republicans 43 43 42 38 40 40 43 34 36 37	Both (vol.)  2 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 3 1 2	Neither (vol.) 7 13 7 6 15 13 10 14 13 15	No opinion 5 3 3 4 7 7 6 9 7
9/2/10	37	40	5	14	4

<sup>\*\*</sup>Post/KFF/Harvard University

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Washington Post poll

<sup>\*\*\*\*1998</sup> and previous: "Handling the crime problem"

<sup>\*\*</sup>Post-KFF-Harvard

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>7/15/02 and previous: "improving education and the schools"

3/26/10	38	35	3	16	8
2/1/08	40	37	2	12	9
11/1/07	42	35	4	13	6
10/8/06	49	36	4	10	3
6/25/06	45	40	1	9	5
5/15/06	48	34	1	14	4
4/9/06	50	38	1	7	4
*7/19/15	and previous	"immigration	issues"		

g. inflation, that is, rising prices

			Both	Neither	No
	Democrats	Republicans	(vol.)	(vol.)	opinion
9/21/22	35	54	1	8	3
4/28/22*	31	50	1	12	6
3/4/91**	34	49	5	10	3
1/16/90	33	50	3	10	5
14/00/00					

<sup>\*4/28/22 &</sup>quot;inflation"

10. Now for each of those items, please tell me how important each will be in your vote for Congress this year. The first is [ITEM]. Will it be one of the single most important issues, very important, somewhat important or less important than that?

9/21/22 - Summary table

		Important			Not as important -			No
		NET	1 of most	Very	NET	Somewhat	Less	op.
a.	the economy	84	26	58	15	13	2	1
b.	abortion	62	22	40	35	22	13	3
c.	crime	69	14	55	30	24	6	1
d.	education and schools	77	20	57	22	17	5	1
e.	climate change	50	13	37	48	25	23	2
f.	immigration	61	15	46	36	27	9	3
g.	inflation, that is							
	rising prices	76	21	55	22	17	6	2

<sup>\*</sup>full sample asked a-b and e, half sample asked c-d, other half asked f-g

### Trend:

## a. the economy

			Important		No	ot as import	tant -	No
		NET	1 of most	Very	NET	Somewhat	Less	op.
9/21/22		84	26	58	15	13	2	1
11/1/18	RV	76	15	61	23	21	2	1
10/11/18		82	21	61	17	15	2	1
6/1/14		84	24	60	15	12	3	1
1/23/14		86	24	62	13	12	1	*
9/2/10	RV	93	31	62	7	7	*	*
10/8/06	RV	77	12	65	23	20	3	*
4/9/06		80	16	64	20	18	2	*

b-d. No trend.

## e. climate change

	Important			No	Not as important -			
	NET	1 of most	Very	NET	Somewhat	Less	op.	
9/21/22	50	13	37	48	25	23	2	
11/1/18* RV	48	10	37	50	28	22	2	
6/1/14**	47	10	37	52	26	26	2	

<sup>\*\*1991</sup> and previous "controlling inflation"

\*11/1/18 "global warming"

#### f. immigration

		Important		No	No		
	NET 1	of most	Very	NET	Somewhat	Less	op.
9/21/22	61	15	46	36	27	9	3
11/1/18 RV	67	14	53	32	24	8	1
10/11/18	70	17	52	30	23	7	1
6/1/14*	49	10	39	49	33	16	2
1/23/14	48	8	39	52	38	14	1
9/2/10 RV	55	12	43	45	30	15	0
10/8/06 RV	54	7	47	45	29	16	1
4/9/06	60	12	48	40	32	8	*
*6/1/14 and :	previous:	"immigrat	tion iss	sues"			

g. No trend

On another topic,

11. During his time in office, would you say Biden has accomplished a great deal, a good amount, not very much or little or nothing?

	Grt	deal/Good	amount	No	ot much/	nothing	
		Great	Good		Not	Little or	No
	NET	deal	amount	NET	much	nothing	opinion
9/21/22	40	16	25	57	23	34	3
11/10/21*	35	8	27	63	18	45	2
_							
Trump:							_
1/18/18**	37	18	19	60	23	37	3
11/1/17	35	12	23	65	22	43	1
4/20/17	42	16	27	56	21	35	2
01							
Obama:	4.5	1.0	2.5	F.0	0.5	0.5	-
1/15/12	47	12	35	52	25	27	1
1/15/10	47	12	35	52	30	22	1
10/18/09	49	14	35	50	27	23	1
4/24/09	63	24	39	36	21	15	1
01:							
Clinton:	2.6		2.0	C 1	2.0	0.5	*
8/16/94	36	6	30	64	39	25	
1/23/94	47	11	36	53	33	19	1
4/26/93	37	5	32	63	38	25	*

<sup>\*&</sup>quot;Biden has been president for about ten months..."

12. Would you describe the state of the nation's economy these days as excellent, good, not so good or poor?

	Positive					No	
	NET	Excellent	Good	NET	Not so good	Poor	opinion
9/21/22	24	3	21	74	36	38	1
2/24/22	24	3	21	75	36	39	1
11/10/21	29	2	26	70	33	38	1
4/21/21	42	4	38	58	37	20	1
9/24/20	40	9	31	59	37	22	1
8/15/20	31	7	24	68	34	33	1
5/28/20	34	8	26	65	40	24	1
9/5/19	56	16	40	43	30	13	1
11/1/18	65	15	49	34	25	9	1

<sup>\*\*6/1/14 &</sup>quot;climate change, also known as global warming"

<sup>\*\*</sup>Question updated for passage of time

8/29/18	58	12	46	40	31	9	2
1/18/18	58	14	44	40	28	12	2
1/15/17	51	6	45	48	35	14	1
3/29/15	40	2	38	59	40	19	1
1/15/15	41	3	39	58	40	18	1
10/26/14	27	1	26	72	44	28	1
9/7/14	30	1	29	69	42	27	1
4/27/14	29	1	27	71	40	31	1
3/2/14	27	2	26	72	44	28	*
10/20/13	24	2	23	75	45	30	1
9/29/12 RV	18	2	16	81	42	39	*
8/25/12	15	1	14	84	39	45	1
8/5/12*	13	1	12	87	42	44	*
5/20/12	17	1	16	83	47	36	*
2/4/12	11	*	11	89	46	42	*
11/3/11	10	1	9	89	43	47	*
7/17/11	10	1	9	90	40	50	*
6/5/11	11	1	10	89	46	44	*
1/16/11	13	1	12	87	45	41	*
10/28/10	9	*	9	90	41	49	1
10/3/10	9	1	8	90	40	50	*
9/2/10	8	*	7	92	40	53	0
7/11/10	10	1	9	90	44	46	0
6/6/10	12	*	11	88	43	45	0
Call for ful	ll trend.						

13. 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)?

		Concerned	Not	No
	Upset	but not upset	concerned	opinion
9/21/22	45	48	5	2
4/28/22	44	50	6	*

#### Changing topics,

14. Do you support or oppose the decision by the U.S. Supreme Court eliminating the constitutional right to have an abortion? Do you feel that way strongly or somewhat?

		Support			Oppose	≘	No
	NET	Strongly	Somewhat	NET	Somewhat	Strongly	opinion
9/21/22	29	21	9	64	11	53	7

15. Do you think [ITEM] favors (too many restrictions on abortion), (too much access to abortion), or is its position on abortion about right?

9/21/22 - Summary table

			Too many	Too much	About	No
			restrictions	access	right	opinion
a.	the Democratic	Party	13	31	45	11
b.	the Republican	Party	50	10	29	11

16. The U.S. Justice Department is currently investigating Donald Trump on issues including his fundraising, his handling of classified materials and his actions related to the storming of the U.S. Capitol last January. Given what you've heard or read, do you think Trump should or should not be charged with a crime in any of these matters?

<sup>\*</sup>Washington Post-Kaiser Family Foundation

	Should	Should no	ot No	opinion
9/21/22	52	39		10

#### Compare to:

As you may know, Donald Trump encouraged his supporters to march to the U.S. Capitol, where the riot followed. Do you think Trump should be charged with a crime for his role in this incident, or do you think he should not be charged?

	Should	Should	not	No	opinion
4/28/22	52	42			6

As you may know, Trump encouraged his supporters to march to the U.S. Capitol, where a riot followed. Do you think Trump should be charged with the crime of inciting a riot, or do you think he should not be charged?

	Should	Should no	t No	opinion
1/13/21	54	43		3

17. (ASK IF LEANED DEMOCRAT) Would you like the Democratic Party to nominate Biden to run for a second term as president in 2024, or would you like the Democratic Party to nominate someone other than Biden as its candidate for president?

	Biden	Other	No	opinion
9/21/22	35	56		9

18. (ASK IF LEANED REPUBLICAN) Would you like the Republican Party to nominate Trump to run for another term as president in 2024, or would you like the Republican Party to nominate someone other than Trump as its candidate for president?

	Trump	Other	No	opinion
9/21/22	47	46		7

#### Compare to:

(ASK IF LEANED REPUBLICAN) Would you like the Republican Party to nominate Trump to run for a second term as president next year, or would you like the Republican Party to nominate someone other than Trump as its candidate for president in 2020? Do you feel that way strongly or somewhat?

	Nominate Trump			Someone else			No
	NET	Strongly	Somewhat	NET	Somewhat	Strongly	opinion
10/30/19	67	59	8	30	6	24	3
1/24/19	65	NA	NA	32	NA	NA	3

19. If the 2024 presidential election were being held today and the candidates were (Donald Trump, the Republican) and (Joe Biden, the Democrat), for whom would you vote? Would you lean toward (Trump) or (Biden)?

			Other	Neither	Would not	No
	Trump	Biden	(vol.)	(vol.)	vote (vol.)	opinion
9/21/22	46	48	1	3	1	1

\*\*\* END \*\*\*