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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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General Election (N=1,000)

Do you intend to vote in the general election to be held on November 8, 2022?

Yes	76%
No	15%
Not Sure	9%

Early Voting (N=775)

Some people prefer to vote early and others prefer to wait until Election Day. Have you already cast your ballot for the upcoming 2022 midterm election?

Yes	21%
No	79%

Primary Vote (N=999)

Did you vote in your state's primary election to nominate candidates for Congress or state office?

No, I did not vote in the Primary Election	39%
Yes, I voted in the Democratic Primary.	23%
Yes, I voted in the Republican Primary.	19%
Yes, I voted in another party's primary.	1%
I don't recall	6%
Yes, I voted in (Insert R's State) Primary Elections	12%

2022 Midterm Election (N=1,000)

	Apr 2021	Dec 2021	May 2022*	Oct. 2022*	Apr 2021	Dec 2021	May 2022*	Oct. 2022*	Apr 2021	Dec 2021	May 2022*	Oct. 2022*
	Democratic Party's Candidate				Republican Party's Candidate				Don't Know			
Looking ahead to the 2022 midterm congressional election, if this election were being held today, which party's candidate would you vote for in your <u>congressional district</u> ? (N=1,000)	45%	42%	44%	43%	38%	37%	38%	40%	17%	21%	19%	17%
Looking ahead to the 2022 midterm congressional election, if this election were being held today, which party's candidate would you vote for in the <u>Senate</u> election? (N=357)	44%	42%	46%	51%	38%	38%	33%	34%	18%	21%	21%	15%

* Includes Leaners

Excitement (N=1000)

Measured from 0 to 100 with 0 indicating “Not At All Excited” and 100 indicating “Extremely Excited.” Average Score for Each Question Presented Below.

	All Respondents		Democratic Respondents		Republican Respondents		Independent Respondents	
	May 2022.	Oct. 2022	May 2022.	Oct. 2022	May 2022.	Oct. 2022	May 2022.	Oct. 2022
How excited are <u>you</u> to vote in 2022 midterm elections?	70	58	73	64	79	68	47	34
How excited do you think most <u>Democrats</u> are to vote in the 2022 midterm elections?	59	55	71	68	44	48	49	41
How excited do you think most <u>Republicans</u> are to vote in the 2022 midterm elections?	74	61	69	60	83	75	70	48

Importance (N=1,000)

How important are the results of the 2022 midterm elections . . .

	Extremely Important		Very Important		Moderately Important		A Little Important		Not At All Important	
	May 2022.	Oct. 2022	May 2022.	Oct. 2022	May 2022.	Oct. 2022	May 2022.	Oct. 2022	May 2022.	Oct. 2022
for the future of the <u>Nation</u>	54%	52%	22%	25%	18%	15%	3%	4%	3%	4%
for the future of the <u>(Insert Respondent’s Party)</u>	51%	52%	29%	29%	16%	14%	2%	3%	2%	3%
for the future of the <u>Supreme Court</u>	37%	38%	26%	26%	25%	23%	6%	6%	6%	6%
for the future of <u>our democracy</u>	N/A	48%	N/A	26%	N/A	15%	N/A	5%	N/A	6%

Most Important Issue in 2022 (N=1,000)

From the list below, please select the issue that will be most important to you when making your candidate decision in the 2022 midterm election.

	All Respondents	Democratic Respondents	Republican Respondents	Independent Respondents
The Economy	32%	17%	50%	33%
Health care	6%	5%	2%	15%
Taxes	4%	2%	5%	5%
Education	2%	1%	2%	4%
Climate Change	6%	10%	1%	7%
Race Relations	2%	3%	0%	2%
Supreme Court Appointments	3%	2%	2%	4%
Abortion	11%	20%	5%	3%
Foreign Policy	1%	1%	1%	1%
Covid-19	2%	2%	0%	5%
Immigration	6%	1%	14%	3%
Crime	6%	5%	5%	9%
The Health of our Democracy	16%	28%	8%	7%
National Security	3%	2%	4%	3%

State of the National Economy and Individual Economic Situation (N=1,000)

Thinking about the state of our national economy, would you rate the nation's economy as . . .

Thinking about your own economic situation, would you rate your own economic situation as . . .

	Apr. 2021		Dec. 2021		May 2022		Oct. 2022	
	National	Own	National	Own	National	Own	National	Own
Excellent	3%	8%	4%	7%	2%	6%	4%	6%
Good	25%	40%	21%	35%	19%	35%	17%	28%
Fair	51%	37%	35%	39%	37%	41%	34%	38%
Poor	21%	14%	41%	20%	42%	19%	46%	28%

Right Direction/Wrong Track (N=1,000)

Do you think things in this country are generally going in the right direction or do you feel things have gotten pretty seriously off on the wrong track?

	Apr. 2021	Dec. 2021	May 2022	Oct. 2022
Right Direction	31%	21%	21%	20%
Wrong Track	54%	64%	65%	67%
Not Sure	15%	15%	14%	14%

Worry (N=1,000)

From the following list, please indicate the degree to which you personally worry about the following issues.

	A Great Deal	A Fair Amount	Only A Little	Not At All
The level of crime in the United States.	44%	32%	17%	7%
The level of undocumented immigration to the United States.	36%	20%	22%	22%
The level of inflation in the United States.	59%	25%	10%	6%
The future of women's rights in the United States.	37%	22%	17%	23%
The impact of Covid 19 in the United States.	21%	33%	25%	21%
That you might become a victim of a mass shooting.	19%	24%	32%	25%
The future of our democracy.	53%	26%	12%	9%

Consequences (N=1,000)

For the next few questions, we are going to mention pieces of information about different candidates for Congress in the 2022 election. We want to know if each piece of information would make you more or less likely to vote for each candidate.

	Much more likely	Somewhat more likely	Neither more nor less likely	Somewhat less likely	Much less likely
A Republican candidate is NOT endorsed by former President Donald Trump?	11%	19%	52%	10%	8%
A Republican candidate IS endorsed by former President Donald Trump?	15%	12%	31%	6%	37%
The candidate only recently moved to the district or state where they are running for office?	5%	6%	39%	26%	24%
The candidate refuses to debate their opponent before Election Day?	3%	5%	32%	23%	36%

2022 Trust (N=1,000)

Even if the party you prefer does not win control of the U.S. Congress, how confident are you that the 2022 midterm elections will be fair and accurate?

	All Respondents	Democratic Respondents	Republican Respondents
Very Confident	17%	31%	8%
Confident	35%	44%	30%
Not Very Confident	22%	13%	40%
Not Confident at All	10%	5%	12%
Unsure	15%	7%	10%

2020 Compare (N=1,000)

Compared to the 2020 presidential election, do you have more confidence or less confidence that the 2022 midterm elections will be fair and accurate?

	All Respondents	Democratic Respondents	Republican Respondents
More Confidence	13%	18%	11%
About the Same	51%	61%	50%
Less Confidence	21%	12%	33%
Unsure	15%	9%	6%

Election Violence (N=1,000)

How concerned are you about the possibility of violence associated with the 2022 midterm election?

	All Respondents	Democratic Respondents	Republican Respondents
Very concerned	13%	19%	11%
Somewhat concerned	35%	45%	30%
Not very concerned	26%	21%	33%
Not concerned at all	12%	7%	18%
Don't know	13%	8%	8%

Group Feelings

Measured from 0 to 100 with 0 indicating "Coldest" and 100 indicating "Warmest." Average Score for Each Group Presented Below.

On a scale from 0 (coldest) to 100 (warmest) how do you feel about the following?

	Average Score
Democrats	47
Republicans	39
African Americans	69

Partisan Anger

Suppose Republicans take control of Congress in the 2022 midterm elections. How angry will you be? *(Asked only of Democratic identifiers)*

Suppose Democrats keep control of Congress in the 2022 midterm elections. How angry will you be? *(Asked only of Republican identifiers)*

	Democratic Respondents (N=446)	Republican Respondents (N=306)
Very angry	42%	32%
Somewhat angry	32%	33%
Not very angry	15%	21%
Not angry at all	10%	14%

Partisan Fear

Suppose Republicans take control of Congress in the 2022 midterm elections. How afraid will you be? *(Asked only of Democratic identifiers)*

Suppose Democrats keep control of Congress in the 2022 midterm elections. How afraid will you be? *(Asked only of Republican identifiers)*

	Democratic Respondents	Republican Respondents
Very afraid	50%	43%
Somewhat afraid	26%	32%
Not very afraid	14%	12%
Not afraid at all	10%	12%

Biden Impeach (N=1,000)

	May 2022				Oct. 2022			
	Def. Yes	Prob. Yes	Prob. No	Def. No	Def. Yes	Prob. Yes	Prob. No	Def. No
If the Republican Party gains control of the U.S. House of Representatives in 2022, do you think that the House of Representatives <i><u>will</u></i> impeach President Joe Biden?	16%	28%	39%	17%	15%	32%	38%	15%
If the Republican Party gains control of the U.S. House of Representatives in 2022, do you think that the House of Representatives <i><u>should</u></i> impeach President Joe Biden?	22%	12%	22%	44%	23%	15%	23%	39%