

TEXAS VOTER SURVEY

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Hello, I am _____ of Baselice & Associates, a national survey research firm, and we're listening to Texans in your area today to get their opinions and advice on issues facing us all. We would like to include your responses to this survey, which will be kept confidential, with the responses of several hundred other people such as yourself.

- A. Are you registered to vote in _____ County?
If No, ask: Is there someone else at home who is registered to vote in _____ County?
(If Yes, then ask: May I speak with him/her?)

Yes **(continue)**
No **(thank & terminate)**

- B. Are you, or is anyone in your household, employed in the news media or a market research firm, an elected official, or actively involved with political campaigns?

Yes **(thank & terminate)**
No **(continue)**

- D3.A Thinking about past November general elections for a moment -- which party's candidates have you tended to vote for most often...
(Rotate first two choices) [Note: Record libertarian, reform party or other parties as value 3]

43% Republican **(to D3B)**
34% Democrat **(to D3B)**
18% Or do you vote independent of party **(to D3C)**
4% Unsure / Refused **(vol) (to P1)**

IF VALUE 1 or 2 IN QUESTION D3A, ASK:

- D3.B And do you tend to vote straight or mostly... [if D3A=1, then Republican] or [if D3A=2, then Democrat]?

21% Straight
53% Mostly
3% Unsure / Refused **(vol)**
22% Not asked

IF VALUE 3 IN QUESTION D3A, ASK:

- D3.C Although you vote for the person and not one of the major parties -- when you have had to choose between two candidates of whom you knew little about, have you tended to vote for... **(Rotate choices)**

6% The Republican candidate
5% The Democrat candidate
5% Other / won't vote for either **(vol)**
2% Unsure / Refused **(vol)**
82% Not asked

NOTE: ALL CLOSE-ENDED RESULTS ROUNDED TO THE NEAREST WHOLE PERCENTAGE
* DENOTES LESS THAN ONE-HALF PERCENT

The combination of the A, B, and C questions on the previous page are displayed below:

9%	Straight Republican
34%	Mostly Republican
6%	A few more Republicans than Democrats
50%	TOTAL REPUBLICAN
7%	Independent / Undecided
5%	A few more Democrats than Republicans
23%	Mostly Democrat
12%	Straight Democrat
39%	TOTAL DEMOCRAT
4%	Unsure / Refused

RotatelM1 thru IM10 with Q1 thru Q14 as blocked series

Now I'd like to ask you a few questions about immigration...

IM1. How much have you seen, read, or heard recently about the immigration laws of the United States? **Read choices top-to-bottom / bottom-to-top**

63%	A lot
27%	Some
9%	Not much
1%	Nothing at all
*	Unsure / refused (vol)

IM2. Which of the following viewpoints comes closest to your own regarding our nation's immigration system? **Read choices top-to-bottom / bottom-to-top**

3%	The immigration system works well and no major changes are needed
18%	The immigration system has some minor problems and requires some minor changes
75%	The immigration system is broken and a major overhaul is needed
1%	Depends (vol)
2%	Unsure/ refused (vol)

IM3. Would you say the issue of illegal immigration in Texas is extremely serious, very serious, somewhat serious, or not at all serious?

48%	Extremely serious
29%	Very serious
19%	Somewhat serious
3%	Not at all serious
1%	Unsure (vol)
*	Refused (vol)

IM4. As you may know, Congress is considering a bill that would reform the current laws regulating immigration. The proposal would add resources to enhance border security, impose tougher employer penalties for hiring illegal immigrants, make English the language of the United States, create a temporary worker program, and create a process for illegal immigrants already in this country to gain legal status by paying a fine, passing a criminal background check and meeting other requirements. Based on what you know, would you favor or oppose the immigration bill Congress is considering? **If choice made, ask:** Is that strongly or somewhat (favor / oppose)?

32% Favor / Strongly
 26% Favor / Somewhat
 59% TOTAL FAVOR

11% Oppose / Somewhat
 25% Oppose / Strongly
 36% TOTAL OPPOSE

5% Unsure/ refused (**vol**)

Now I would like to tell you some more about the specific provisions of the immigration bill being considered by Congress. For each item I read, please tell me if you favor or oppose that provision of the immigration bill. Here is the first one... **(Randomize questions)** **If choice made, ask:** Is that strongly or somewhat (favor / oppose)?

	FAVOR			OPPOSE			No Diff. (vol)	Unsure (vol)	Net Impact
	Strong	Smwht	Total	Smwht	Strong	Total			
IM5. This bill would double the number of Border Patrol agents, build hundreds of miles of fencing, and increase the use of advanced technology along the border.	52%	21%	73%	9%	15%	24%	1%	2%	+49%
IM6. This bill would impose tougher penalties on employers who hire illegal immigrants while giving employers better methods of verifying the status of their workers to ensure they are hiring legal workers.	62%	20%	83%	6%	9%	15%	*	2%	+68%
IM7. This bill would create a temporary worker program allowing foreign workers to enter the U.S. for jobs Americans are not doing, and these temporary workers would have to return to their country after a set number of years.	35%	29%	63%	10%	23%	34%	1%	2%	+30%
IM8. This bill would create a system that would provide illegal immigrants already in this country a chance to obtain legal status by registering with the government, paying a fine, passing a background check, and paying any back taxes owed.	36%	26%	63%	8%	27%	35%	*	2%	+28%

(End randomization)

IM9. Regardless of how you feel about the proposal Congress is currently considering, which of the following viewpoints comes closest to your own in terms of when the President and Congress should take action to address our immigration system? **Randomize choices**

76%	They should act this year to address our immigration system
19%	They should address our immigration system in the next couple years
3%	They do not need to address our immigration system
*	Depends (vol)
2%	Unsure/ refused (vol)

IM10. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statement:

Even if a U.S. Senator opposes this immigration bill, they should at least allow the bill to be voted on by the full U.S. Senate. **If choice made, ask:** Is that strongly or somewhat (agree / disagree)?

65%	Strongly agree
20%	Somewhat agree
84%	TOTAL AGREE
3%	Somewhat disagree
9%	Strongly disagree
12%	TOTAL DISAGREE
2%	Depends / Neutral (vol)
3%	Unsure / refused (vol)

Now just a few questions to make sure we have a representative sample of voters --

D1. What is your age, please? (i.e. Record 48 years old as 0 4 8)
(Record Unsure/Refused as 9 9 9)

3%	18-24
3%	25-29
5%	30-34
6%	35-39
9%	40-44
9%	45-49
13%	50-54
11%	55-59
10%	60-64
9%	65-69
9%	70-74
6%	75-79
3%	80-84
2%	85-89
*	90 or over
2%	Unsure / Refused

D2. What is the highest level of education you have completed? **(Do not read, record only)**

4%	Less than high school
20%	High school grad / vocational school
26%	Some college
30%	College graduate
20%	Post graduate (masters or higher)
0%	Unsure
*	Refused

D3. Do you consider yourself to be... **(Read list by rotating top-to-bottom / bottom-to-top)**

22% Very conservative
31% Somewhat conservative
24% Moderate
15% Somewhat liberal
5% Very liberal
3% Unsure / refused **(vol)**

D4. Do you consider yourself to be of Hispanic or Latino descent, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or some other Central or Latin American background?

16% Yes
83% No
* Unsure **(vol)**
* Refused **(vol)**

D5. And is your race Anglo, African-American, Asian, or some other race?

71% Anglo / White
11% African-American / Black
1% Asian
12% Hispanic **(vol)**
2% American Indian **(vol)**
0% Other **(vol)**
1% Unsure **(vol)**
2% Refused **(vol)**

D7. Do you own or rent your place of residence? **(Do not read, record only)**

87% Own
12% Rent
1% Unsure
1% Refused

D8. We want to classify people into broad income groups only. Was your total household income last year before taxes... ? **(Read list and fit income into correct category)**

7% Under \$15,000
15% \$15,000 but less than \$35,000
15% \$35,000 but less than \$50,000
18% \$50,000 but less than \$75,000
13% \$75,000 but less than \$100,000
11% \$100,000 but less than \$150,000
8% \$150,000 & over
3% Unsure **(vol)**
10% Refused **(vol)**

D9. Sex **(By observation)** Ask of everyone: Are you employed outside the house, self-employed, not employed, a homemaker, or retired?

30% Male / employed
18% Male / not-employed
* Male / unsure - refused to say
27% Female / employed
25% Female / not-employed
* Female / unsure - refused to say
