Californians and Their Government February 2023 Time Trends – All Respondents

Methodology Note:

Findings for February 2023 are based on a survey of 1,539 California adult residents, conducted online using the Ipsos KnowledgePanel. Interviews were conducted in English and Spanish according to the respondents' preferences. The median time to complete the survey was 20 minutes. Interviewing took place from January 13–20, 2023.

The sampling error for February 2023, taking design effects from weighting into consideration, is ±3.5 percent at the 95 percent confidence level for the total unweighted sample of 1,539 adults. This means that 95 times out of 100, the results will be within 3.5 percentage points of what they would be if all adults in California were interviewed. 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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Note:

For questions related to the citizen's initiative process and potential reforms (Q33), please refer to the Public Time Trends–Likely Voters document.

_	Q2. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way that Gavin Newsom is handling his job as governor of California?					
_	approve	disapprove	have not heard anough to have an opinion (vol)	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n	
Feb 2023	58%	40%	0%	2%	1535	
Sep 2022	52%	35%	0%	13%	1692	
May 2022	53%	35%	0%	12%	1689	
Mar 2022	56%	35%	0%	9%	1666	
Feb 2022	56%	34%	0%	10%	1631	
Sep 2021	53%	39%	0%	8%	1692	
May 2021	55%	35%	0%	10%	1694	
Mar 2021	54%	36%	0%	10%	1694	
Jan 2021	54%	36%	0%	10%	1692	
Oct 2020	58%	33%	0%	9%	1690	
Sep 2020	59%	30%	0%	10%	1694	
May 2020	65%	26%	0%	9%	1693	
Feb 2020	53%	33%	0%	14%	1687	
Jan 2020	51%	34%	0%	15%	1683	
Nov 2019	48%	33%	0%	18%	1679	
Sep 2019	44%	32%	0%	24%	1683	
Jul 2019	45%	31%	0%	25%	1679	
May 2019	45%	29%	0%	26%	1691	
Mar 2019	45%	26%	16%	13%	1699	
Jan 2019	44%	23%	23%	10%	1684	

	Q3. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way that Governor Newsom is handling the issues of jobs and the economy?				
	approve	disapprove	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n	
Feb 2023	57%	42%	2%	1537	
Nov 2022	55%	42%	3%	2287	
Apr 2022	54%	42%	4%	1578	
Nov 2021	61%	38%	1%	2280	
Jul 2021	57%	41%	2%	1562	
Apr 2021	56%	41%	4%	1592	
Dec 2020	58%	40%	1%	2306	
May 2020	59%	32%	9%	1691	

_		handling its job?	don't know	Upwoighto
	approve	disapprove	don t know (vol)	Unweighteo n
Feb 2023	49%	48%	3%	1534
Sep 2022	49%	39%	12%	1691
May 2022	49%	38%	13%	1697
Mar 2022	49%	39%	12%	1655
Feb 2022	47%	39%	14%	1626
Sep 2021	50%	40%	10%	1692
May 2021	49%	36%	16%	1687
Mar 2021	52%	36%	12%	1693
Jan 2021	51%	35%	14%	1692
Oct 2020	51%	35%	14%	1688
Sep 2020	50%	36%	14%	1691
May 2020	56%	32%	13%	1695
Feb 2020	51%	37%	11%	1687
Jan 2020	47%	40%	14%	1683
Nov 2019	44%	41%	15%	1682
Sep 2019	43%	40%	17%	1691
Jul 2019	42%	41%	17%	1687
May 2019	39%	44%	17%	1701
Mar 2019	46%	37%	17%	1692
Jan 2019	49%	37%	14%	1689
Dec 2018	47%	39%	15%	1685
Nov 2018	46%	38%	16%	1694
Oct 2018	45%	37%	18%	1691
Sep 2018	46%	37%	17%	1690
Jul 2018	46%	38%	15%	1703
May 2018	44%	38%	18%	1692
Apr 2018	46%	40%	14%	1697
Mar 2018	46%	38%	16%	1690
Jan 2018	51%	33%	16%	1694
Dec 2017	49%	36%	15%	1697
Nov 2017	48%	36%	16%	1690
Sep 2017	49%	39%	12%	1726
Jul 2017	50%	34%	17%	1697
May 2017	46%	38%	15%	1691
Apr 2017	49%	36%	15%	1696
Mar 2017	51%	33%	16%	1685
Jan 2017	57%	30%	13%	1686
Dec 2016	49%	38%	13%	1697
Oct 2016	46%	33%	20%	1684
Sep 2016	47%	37%	16%	1690
Jul 2016	45%	40%	15%	1687
May 2016	43%	37%	20%	1690

	Q5. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way that the California Legislature is handling its job?			
-	approve	disapprove	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n
Apr 2016	48%	38%	14%	1694
Mar 2016	44%	39%	18%	1692
Jan 2016	46%	39%	15%	1692
Dec 2015	41%	40%	19%	1678
Sep 2015	45%	38%	17%	1691
Jul 2015	39%	45%	16%	1688
Jun 2015	37%	43%	20%	1694
Apr 2015	42%	43%	15%	1695
Mar 2015	45%	39%	16%	1693
Jan 2015	49%	36%	15%	1689
Dec 2014	41%	42%	17%	1681
Oct 2014	41%	42%	17%	1686
Sep 2014	37%	42%	20%	1673
Jul 2014	38%	46%	16%	1683
May 2014	40%	44%	16%	1684
Apr 2014	40%	44%	17%	1693
Mar 2014	36%	45%	19%	1685
Jan 2014	42%	44%	14%	1698
Dec 2013	38%	43%	19%	1688
Sep 2013	38%	45%	17%	1693
Jul 2013	36%	45%	19%	2096
May 2013	35%	50%	16%	1697
Apr 2013	31%	53%	15%	1699
Mar 2013	34%	49%	17%	1689
Jan 2013	41%	42%	17%	1700
Dec 2012	34%	51%	15%	1992
Oct 2012	28%	55%	17%	1995
Sep 2012	30%	53%	17%	1989
Aug 2012	29%	54%	17%	2480
May 2012	25%	57%	18%	1990
Apr 2012	25%	58%	16%	1992
Mar 2012	25%	54%	21%	1989
Jan 2012	28%	56%	16%	1988
Dec 2011	25%	55%	20%	1987
Nov 2011	25%	55%	19%	2490
Sep 2011	26%	56%	18%	1998
Jul 2011	23%	59%	18%	2496
Jun 2011	23%	58%	19%	1998
Apr 2011	21%	60%	19%	2487
Mar 2011	24%	54%	21%	1982
Feb 2011	24%	52%	24%	2483
Jan 2011	26%	55%	19%	1990
Nov 2010	14%	72%	14%	2486

-		at the California Le handling its job?		
	approve	disapprove	don't know (vol)	Unweighteo n
0++ 2010	16%		7%	
Oct 2010		77%		1989
Sep 2010	16%	75%	9%	1990
Jul 2010	15%	68%	17%	2487
May 2010	16%	72%	12%	1993
Apr 2010	16%	69%	14%	2493
Mar 2010	14%	72%	14%	1996
Jan 2010	18%	71%	11%	1989
Dec 2009	17%	70%	13%	2000
Nov 2009	18%	68%	15%	2491
Sep 2009	21%	68%	11%	1998
Jul 2009	17%	71%	11%	2484
May 2009	21%	65%	14%	1994
Apr 2009	23%	63%	14%	2493
Mar 2009	18%	68%	14%	1995
Feb 2009	21%	65%	14%	2494
Jan 2009	21%	67%	12%	1994
Nov 2008	24%	60%	16%	2482
Oct 2008	25%	63%	12%	1996
Sep 2008	21%	67%	11%	1990
Aug 2008	26%	63%	11%	1991
May 2008	26%	57%	17%	1991
Apr 2008	26%	58%	16%	2495
Mar 2008	30%	55%	15%	1988
Jan 2008	34%	53%	13%	1988
Dec 2007	41%	47%	12%	1992
Oct 2007	33%	50%	17%	2490
Sep 2007	34%	51%	15%	1988
Jun 2007	39%	40%	21%	1987
May 2007	37%	44%	19%	1994
Apr 2007	38%	44%	18%	2483
Mar 2007	41%	42%	17%	1989
Jan 2007	40%	44%	15%	2006
Oct 2007	40 <i>%</i> 30%	44 % 52%	18%	1993
	30%	52 <i>%</i>	16%	1993
Sep 2006				
Aug 2006	31% 26%	53%	16% 20%	1995
May 2006	26%	54%	20%	1988
Mar 2006	25% 20%	59%	16%	1988
Jan 2006	29%	57%	14%	2000
Jan 2006	24%	54%	22%	2481
Oct 2005	25%	56%	19%	1993
Sep 2005	32%	53%	15%	1992
Aug 2005	27%	56%	17%	1993

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	Q5. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way that the California Legislature is handling its job?				
	approve	disapprove	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n	
Jan 2005	37%	50%	13%	1993	
Oct 2004	43%	41%	16%	2005	
Sep 2004	40%	46%	14%	1988	
Aug 2004	42%	45%	13%	1990	
Jun 2004	40%	44%	16%	2498	
May 2004	40%	43%	17%	1986	
Jan 2004	36%	45%	19%	1981	
Aug 2003	28%	58%	14%	1979	
Jun 2003	39%	44%	17%	1976	
Feb 2003	36%	45%	19%	1967	
Sep 2002	45%	36%	18%	1967	
Jan 2002	49%	35%	16%	1942	
Dec 2001	53%	29%	18%	1952	
Jul 2001	45%	38%	18%	1966	
Jan 2001	58%	27%	15%	1960	
Sep 2000	56%	31%	12%	1980	

	Q6. Do you think that Governor Newsom and the state legislature will be able to work together and accomplish a lot in the next year, or not?			
	yes, will be able to work together	no, will not be able to work together	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n
Feb 2023	61%	37%	2%	1535
Feb 2022	58%	34%	8%	1635
Jan 2021	62%	28%	10%	1695
Jan 2020	58%	31%	11%	1693
Jan 2019	67%	22%	11%	1693
Jan 2018	60%	28%	12%	1698
Jan 2017	66%	22%	11%	1694
Jan 2016	57%	32%	11%	1696
Jan 2015	59%	31%	10%	1702
Jan 2014	57%	34%	10%	1700
Jan 2013	57%	33%	11%	1702
Jan 2012	44%	47%	9%	1999
Jan 2011	58%	29%	12%	1991
May 2010	19%	73%	8%	1998
Jan 2010	28%	65%	7%	2000
Jan 2009	39%	53%	8%	1995
Jan 2008	50%	42%	7%	1994
Jun 2007	49%	40%	11%	1994
Jan 2007	62%	29%	9%	2009
Mar 2006	30%	58%	12%	1738
Jan 2006	43%	48%	9%	1998

	Q7. Do you think things in California are generally going in the right direction or the wrong direction?			
	right direction	wrong direction	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n
Feb 2023	49%	49%	2%	1537
Sep 2022	50%	44%	6%	1696
May 2022	45%	50%	6%	1693
Feb 2022	50%	45%	5%	1632
Sep 2021	47%	43%	10%	1686
May 2021	56%	38%	6%	1696
Jan 2021	51%	44%	6%	1698
Oct 2020	55%	39%	5%	1690
Sep 2020	51%	45%	4%	1688
May 2020	58%	37%	5%	1691
Jan 2020	50%	46%	4%	1695
Sep 2019	46%	48%	6%	1696
Jan 2019	55%	40%	5%	1699
Dec 2018	54%	41%	5%	1688
Sep 2018	51%	43%	6%	1694
Jan 2018	57%	38%	6%	1700
Dec 2017	53%	41%	6%	1695
Sep 2017	54%	42%	5%	1732
Mar 2017	55%	39%	6%	1699
Jan 2017	58%	35%	7%	1695
Oct 2016	54%	39%	7%	1699
Sep 2016	52%	42%	6%	1697
May 2016	51%	43%	6%	1697
May 2010 Mar 2016	50%	43%	8%	1700
Jan 2016	54%	41%	5%	1696
Dec 2015	51%	43%	6%	1690
Sep 2015	48%	46%	6%	1701
Jun 2015	45%	46%	8%	1694
Mar 2015	50%	41%	8%	1691
Jan 2015	57%	36%	8%	1699
Dec 2014	50%	42%	8%	1699
Oct 2014	47%	46%	7%	1690
Sep 2014	43%	48%	8%	1685
	45%	48%	8% 7%	1693
May 2014	45%	48%	7%	1693
Mar 2014		40%	6%	
Jan 2014	53% 45%	41% 46%	8%	1697 1694
Dec 2013			8% 9%	1694
Sep 2013	43%	48%		
Jun 2013	45%	42%	13%	2463
May 2013	46%	48%	7%	1692
Mar 2013	44%	48%	8%	1697
Jan 2013	51%	40%	9%	1701

	Q7. Do you think things in California are generally going in the right direction or the wrong direction?			
	right direction	wrong direction	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n
Dec 2012	44%	50%	6%	1984
Oct 2012	39%	53%	8%	1998
Sep 2012	33%	60%	7%	1991
May 2012	30%	63%	7%	1990
Mar 2012	34%	56%	10%	1987
Jan 2012	37%	57%	6%	1988
Dec 2011	30%	61%	9%	1993
Sep 2011	30%	61%	8%	1993
Jun 2011	28%	60%	12%	2483
Jun 2011	29%	61%	10%	1993
Mar 2011	31%	59%	11%	1985
Feb 2011	34%	55%	12%	2486
Jan 2011	38%	54%	8%	1992
Oct 2010	16%	73%	12%	1977
Sep 2010	20%	69%	11%	1981
Jul 2010	15%	79%	6%	2489
May 2010	18%	77%	6%	1996
Mar 2010	19%	76%	4%	1997
Jan 2010	19%	74%	7%	1993
Dec 2009	19%	75%	6%	1999
Nov 2009	17%	76%	7%	2488
Sep 2009	22%	72%	6%	2001
Jul 2009	14%	79%	6%	2493
Jun 2009	19%	70%	11%	2490
May 2009	24%	68%	8%	1997
Mar 2009	22%	71%	7%	1995
Feb 2009	18%	75%	7%	2494
Jan 2009	18%	75%	7%	1993
Nov 2008	23%	66%	11%	2493
Oct 2008	20%	71%	10%	1987
Sep 2008	21%	68%	11%	1999
Aug 2008	23%	68%	9%	1990
Jun 2008	22%	69%	9%	2484
May 2008	24%	65%	11%	1986
Mar 2008	26%	63%	11%	1992
Jan 2008	36%	54%	10%	1989
Dec 2007	36%	52%	11%	1991
Sep 2007	41%	50%	9%	1983
Jun 2007	44%	46%	10%	1981
May 2007	46%	46%	8%	1986
Mar 2007	45%	47%	9%	1986
Jan 2007	55%	37%	8%	2003
Oct 2006	44%	46%	10%	1991

	Q7. Do you think things in California are generally going in the right direction or the wrong direction?				
	right direction	wrong direction	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n	
Sep 2006	45%	45%	10%	1996	
Aug 2006	42%	47%	11%	1993	
Jul 2006	42%	47%	11%	2489	
May 2006	35%	57%	8%	1997	
Mar 2006	35%	56%	9%	1994	
Feb 2006	32%	58%	10%	1990	
Jan 2006	37%	56%	7%	1995	
Jan 2006	29%	60%	11%	2492	
Oct 2005	30%	60%	10%	1987	
Sep 2005	31%	60%	9%	1991	
Aug 2005	34%	57%	9%	1995	
Jul 2005	38%	51%	12%	2488	
May 2005	35%	57%	8%	1993	
Apr 2005	35%	53%	11%	2491	
Jan 2005	46%	41%	13%	1994	
Oct 2004	44%	44%	11%	2003	
Sep 2004	47%	40%	13%	1990	
Aug 2004	44%	42%	13%	1985	
Jul 2004	43%	43%	14%	2491	
Jun 2004	44%	44%	13%	2484	
May 2004	43%	44%	14%	1991	
Feb 2004	35%	51%	14%	1970	
Jan 2004	43%	40%	17%	1975	
Nov 2003	32%	52%	15%	1984	
Oct 2003	22%	67%	11%	1979	
Sep 2003	24%	67%	9%	1971	
Aug 2003	22%	66%	12%	1979	
Jul 2003	31%	57%	12%	1978	
Jun 2003	30%	57%	13%	1978	
Feb 2003	28%	60%	11%	1967	
Nov 2002	49%	41%	10%	1966	
Oct 2002	46%	45%	10%	1960	
Sep 2002	54%	37%	9%	1971	
Aug 2002	44%	48%	9%	1971	
Feb 2002	56%	36%	9%	2016	
Jan 2002	59%	32%	9%	1942	
Dec 2001	58%	33%	9%	1966	
Nov 2001	60%	29%	11%	1966	
Jul 2001	44%	47%	9%	1986	
May 2001	44%	48%	8%	1981	
Jan 2001	62%	29%	9%	1973	
Oct 2000	59%	32%	9%	1978	
Aug 2000	62%	30%	8%	1972	

	Q7. Do you think things in California are generally going in the right direction or the wrong direction?			
	right direction	wrong direction	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n
Feb 2000	65%	27%	8%	2021
Jan 2000	66%	26%	8%	1979
Dec 1999	62%	31%	7%	1985
Sep 1999	61%	34%	5%	1988
Jan 1999	63%	28%	9%	1964
Oct 1998	62%	30%	8%	1992
Sep 1998	57%	34%	8%	1995
May 1998	56%	34%	9%	1983
Apr 1998	55%	36%	9%	1972

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	just about always	most of the time	only some of the time	none of the time (vol)	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n
Feb 2023	8%	38%	53%	0%	1%	1538
Sep 2021	12%	35%	43%	8%	3%	1698
May 2018	9%	32%	47%	9%	3%	1696
Jun 2015	6%	25%	61%	6%	2%	1701
Dec 2014	7%	25%	61%	5%	2%	1699
May 2014	5%	25%	59%	8%	2%	1696
Dec 2013	5%	20%	63%	8%	3%	1694
May 2013	7%	25%	60%	6%	2%	1700
Oct 2012	4%	23%	63%	8%	2%	2006
Dec 2011	4%	19%	65%	9%	2%	1997
Jun 2011	5%	22%	65%	7%	1%	2000
Oct 2010	3%	15%	67%	12%	3%	1993
Sep 2009	4%	19%	67%	9%	2%	2000
May 2009	4%	19%	65%	9%	3%	2002
Aug 2008	5%	27%	58%	7%	2%	1994
Mar 2008	4%	28%	59%	6%	4%	1998
Sep 2007	5%	24%	64%	5%	2%	1999
Mar 2007	4%	28%	61%	5%	2%	1999
Aug 2006	7%	24%	63%	4%	2%	2000
Aug 2005	5%	25%	62%	5%	3%	2001
May 2005	6%	23%	63%	6%	2%	1996
Jan 2005	5%	25%	63%	5%	2%	2000
May 2004	5%	27%	60%	5%	2%	1993
Jan 2004	5%	22%	64%	6%	2%	1983
Oct 2003	4%	23%	66%	4%	3%	1992
Sep 2003	7%	21%	61%	9%	2%	1980
Jun 2003	5%	29%	60%	4%	3%	1981
Feb 2003	7%	29%	58%	4%	2%	1986
Dec 2002	7%	28%	59%	4%	1%	1976
Aug 2002	5%	32%	57%	4%	2%	1982
Jan 2002	5%	42%	49%	1%	3%	1958
Jan 2001	7%	40%	50%	2%	2%	1982
Jan 1999	4%	34%	60%	1%	2%	1972

	Q9. Would you say the state government is pretty much run by a few big interests looking out for themselves, or that it is run for the benefit of all of the people?				
-	a few big interests	benefit of all the people	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n	
Feb 2023	67%	31%	2%	1535	
Jun 2015	62%	30%	8%	1675	
Dec 2014	67%	28%	5%	1682	
May 2014	60%	32%	7%	1684	
Dec 2013	65%	25%	10%	1683	
May 2013	61%	31%	8%	1686	
Oct 2012	67%	26%	7%	1988	
Dec 2011	67%	25%	9%	1981	
Jun 2011	67%	26%	7%	1990	
Oct 2010	75%	17%	9%	1968	
Sep 2009	73%	20%	7%	1980	
May 2009	68%	23%	8%	1994	
Aug 2008	67%	24%	9%	1983	
Mar 2008	63%	26%	11%	1988	
Sep 2007	69%	24%	7%	1982	
Mar 2007	64%	28%	9%	1982	
Aug 2006	66%	27%	7%	1989	
Aug 2005	65%	26%	9%	1990	
May 2005	67%	25%	8%	1989	
Jan 2004	65%	25%	10%	1970	
Jan 2002	54%	38%	8%	1934	
Jan 2001	60%	31%	9%	1974	
Jan 1999	64%	29%	6%	1960	

	of the money we pay in taxes, waste some of it, or don't waste very much of it?					
	a lot	some	don't waste very much	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n	
Feb 2023	45%	46%	8%	1%	1538	
Jun 2015	52%	36%	9%	3%	1702	
Dec 2014	54%	35%	8%	2%	1699	
May 2014	48%	41%	6%	5%	1699	
Dec 2013	54%	34%	6%	5%	1697	
May 2013	54%	32%	10%	4%	1704	
Oct 2012	60%	32%	6%	3%	2004	
May 2012	57%	31%	8%	4%	2000	
Dec 2011	57%	32%	7%	4%	1998	
Jun 2011	54%	39%	5%	2%	2001	
Oct 2010	66%	26%	6%	3%	1994	
Sep 2009	62%	31%	5%	2%	2004	
May 2009	63%	30%	5%	3%	1998	
Aug 2008	60%	32%	6%	3%	1998	
Mar 2008	57%	33%	6%	4%	1996	
Sep 2007	53%	36%	8%	4%	2001	
Mar 2007	55%	35%	7%	3%	1998	
Aug 2006	58%	35%	4%	3%	2000	
Aug 2005	61%	31%	6%	3%	2000	
May 2005	55%	35%	7%	3%	1999	
Jan 2004	56%	35%	5%	4%	1986	
Jun 2003	52%	39%	7%	2%	1983	
Feb 2003	55%	35%	6%	3%	1988	
Jan 2002	38%	52%	7%	2%	1959	
Jan 2001	47%	43%	8%	2%	1982	
Jan 1999	52%	41%	5%	2%	1972	

Q10. Do you think the people in the state government waste a lot

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	Q11. Turning to economic conditions in California, do you think that during the next 12 months we will have good times financially or bad time?				
	good times	bad times	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n	
Feb 2023	32%	66%	2%	1538	
Nov 2022	30%	69%	1%	2300	
Apr 2022	40%	57%	4%	1584	
Nov 2021	47%	52%	1%	2288	
Jul 2021	54%	44%	1%	1564	
Apr 2021	54%	44%	2%	1597	
Dec 2020	31%	68%	1%	2321	
Jul 2020	19%	80%	1%	1558	
Apr 2020	19%	79%	1%	1631	
Jan 2020	49%	43%	8%	1694	
Sep 2019	41%	50%	10%	1694	
May 2019	44%	47%	9%	1702	
Jan 2019	49%	42%	9%	1697	
Dec 2018	46%	45%	9%	1687	
Oct 2018	48%	39%	12%	1693	
Sep 2018	53%	37%	10%	1689	
May 2018	51%	39%	10%	1694	
Jan 2018	56%	35%	10%	1695	
Sep 2017	51%	40%	9%	1728	
Mar 2017	51%	40%	9%	1696	
Jan 2017	53%	35%	12%	1691	
Oct 2016	47%	38%	15%	1696	
Sep 2016	48%	40%	12%	1693	
May 2016	50%	39%	11%	1691	
Mar 2016	51%	40%	9%	1695	
Jan 2016	49%	43%	8%	1693	
Dec 2015	48%	41%	11%	1689	
Sep 2015	48%	42%	9%	1700	
Jun 2015	48%	42%	10%	1695	
Mar 2015	52%	38%	10%	1686	
Jan 2015	58%	34%	8%	1691	
Dec 2014	52%	39%	9%	1684	
Oct 2014	45%	44%	11%	1694	
Sep 2014	44%	45%	10%	1687	
May 2014	44%	47%	9%	1689	
Mar 2014	46%	45%	10%	1693	
Jan 2014	49%	45%	6%	1692	
Dec 2013	43%	48%	9%	1692	
Sep 2013	46%	44%	10%	1694	
Jun 2013	46%	42%	12%	2468	
May 2013	48%	44%	8%	1685	
Mar 2013	44%	49%	8%	1691	

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		bad time?	don't know	Unweighted
	good times	bad times	(vol)	n
Jan 2013	49%	40%	11%	1695
Dec 2012	41%	50%	9%	1987
Oct 2012	37%	53%	11%	1995
Sep 2012	33%	57%	10%	1983
May 2012	31%	61%	8%	1986
Mar 2012	34%	56%	10%	1994
Jan 2012	35%	56%	9%	1988
Dec 2011	31%	60%	9%	1986
Sep 2011	25%	67%	8%	1993
Jun 2011	26%	63%	11%	2479
Jun 2011	34%	58%	8%	1995
Mar 2011	30%	61%	8%	1987
Feb 2011	34%	54%	11%	2481
Jan 2011	36%	56%	7%	1989
Oct 2010	25%	62%	13%	1971
Sep 2010	29%	59%	12%	1984
Jul 2010	25%	67%	7%	2487
May 2010	28%	65%	8%	1990
Mar 2010	27%	65%	8%	1991
Jan 2010	25%	67%	8%	1990
Dec 2009	28%	66%	6%	1995
Nov 2009	23%	69%	8%	2487
Sep 2009	26%	67%	7%	1996
Jul 2009	18%	75%	7%	2493
Jun 2009	24%	69%	7%	2498
May 2009	25%	67%	8%	1998
Mar 2009	22%	71%	6%	1999
Feb 2009	22%	73%	6%	2496
Jan 2009	18%	77%	5%	1998
Nov 2008	20%	71%	10%	2489
Oct 2008	18%	74%	8%	1995
Sep 2008	20%	68%	11%	1996
Aug 2008	21%	71%	8%	1995
Jul 2008	15%	78%	6%	2498
Jun 2008	15%	78%	7%	2495
May 2008	17%	73%	10%	1988
Mar 2008	16%	76%	9%	1998
Jan 2008	20%	72%	9%	1991
Dec 2007	25%	65%	10%	1993
Sep 2007	33%	59%	8%	1992
Jun 2007	40%	49%	10%	1987
May 2007	38%	50%	12%	1990
Mar 2007	40%	51%	9%	1989

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	Q11. Turning to economic conditions in California, do you think that during the next 12 months we will have good times financially or bad time?				
	good times	bad times	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n	
Jan 2007	50%	39%	11%	2009	
Oct 2006	50%	37%	13%	1994	
Sep 2006	45%	43%	12%	1999	
Aug 2006	43%	46%	12%	1993	
Jul 2006	39%	46%	15%	2494	
May 2006	37%	52%	12%	1994	
Mar 2006	45%	43%	12%	1989	
Feb 2006	42%	45%	13%	1995	
Jan 2006	48%	42%	11%	1997	
Jan 2006	41%	46%	13%	2487	
Oct 2005	34%	56%	10%	1990	
Sep 2005	32%	58%	10%	1993	
Aug 2005	38%	51%	11%	1994	
Jul 2005	42%	43%	15%	2489	
May 2005	39%	49%	12%	1990	
Apr 2005	38%	51%	11%	2492	
Jan 2005	47%	39%	13%	1992	
Oct 2004	42%	43%	14%	2007	
Sep 2004	46%	40%	14%	1990	
Aug 2004	45%	40%	15%	1989	
Jul 2004	48%	40%	12%	2488	
Jun 2004	41%	46%	13%	2479	
May 2004	42%	44%	14%	1991	
Feb 2004	43%	44%	13%	1974	
Jan 2004	49%	36%	15%	1983	
Nov 2003	39%	47%	14%	1985	
Oct 2003	36%	43%	22%	1965	
Sep 2003	32%	50%	18%	1959	
Aug 2003	30%	53%	17%	1967	
Jul 2003	34%	55%	10%	1977	
Jun 2003	32%	58%	10%	1972	
Feb 2003	20%	71%	10%	1978	
Nov 2002	44%	46%	10%	1964	
Oct 2002	38%	51%	12%	1960	
Sep 2002	43%	46%	10%	1976	
Aug 2002	39%	51%	10%	1976	
Feb 2002	46%	47%	7%	2021	
Jan 2002	48%	46%	6%	1950	
Dec 2001	37%	56%	7%	1969	
Nov 2001	33%	59%	9%	1970	
Jul 2001	41%	50%	9%	1983	
May 2001	38%	56%	6%	1984	

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	Q11. Turning to economic conditions in California, do you think that during the next 12 months we will have good times financially or bad time?						
	good times	bad times	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n			
Jan 2001	51%	38%	11%	1975			
Aug 2000	72%	21%	7%	1970			
Feb 2000	78%	15%	7%	2028			
Dec 1999	76%	19%	6%	1992			
Sep 1999	72%	23%	5%	1997			

	Q12. Would you say that California is in an economic recession, or not? Do you think it is in a serious, a moderate, or a mild recession?					
	Yes, serious recession	Yes, moderate recession	Yes, mild recession	Yes, don't know (vol)	No	don't know (vol)
Feb 2023	22%	33%	7%	0%	36%	2%
Feb 2022	23%	20%	8%	2%	40%	7%
Sep 2021	17%	20%	9%	3%	45%	6%
May 2021	16%	24%	10%	3%	41%	6%
Mar 2021	25%	24%	10%	2%	34%	5%
Jan 2021	32%	28%	10%	2%	23%	6%
Sep 2020	31%	29%	11%	1%	23%	4%
May 2020	34%	25%	9%	3%	24%	5%
Dec 2013	22%	33%	11%	0%	30%	4%
Oct 2012	40%	32%	8%	0%	18%	2%
Sep 2012	42%	27%	10%	0%	18%	3%
May 2012	41%	32%	8%	0%	16%	2%
Mar 2012	41%	31%	9%	0%	16%	2%
Jan 2012	43%	34%	9%	0%	13%	2%
Dec 2011	43%	31%	8%	0%	14%	4%
Sep 2011	50%	32%	7%	0%	10%	2%
Jun 2011	47%	34%	7%	0%	10%	2%
Mar 2011	47%	28%	8%	0%	12%	5%
Jan 2011	48%	31%	7%	0%	12%	2%
Oct 2010	54%	28%	5%	0%	10%	2%
Sep 2010	52%	29%	8%	0%	8%	2%
May 2010	55%	28%	7%	0%	9%	1%
Mar 2010	59%	25%	7%	0%	7%	2%
Jan 2010	62%	24%	5%	0%	8%	2%
Dec 2009	60%	26%	5%	0%	7%	2%
Sep 2009	57%	31%	5%	0%	6%	1%
May 2009	53%	32%	5%	0%	7%	3%
Mar 2009	63%	26%	4%	0%	5%	2%
Jan 2009	59%	26%	5%	0%	7%	3%
Oct 2008	39%	30%	10%	0%	17%	4%
Aug 2008	34%	32%	12%	0%	17%	5%
Mar 2008	26%	32%	14%	0%	22%	6%

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	Unweighted n	
Feb 2023	1534	
Feb 2022	1632	
Sep 2021	1697	
May 2021	1702	
Mar 2021	1698	
Jan 2021	1695	
Sep 2020	1699	
May 2020	1696	
Dec 2013	1697	
Oct 2012	2000	
Sep 2012	2000	
May 2012	2001	
Mar 2012	2000	
Jan 2012	1999	
Dec 2011	1999	
Sep 2011	2000	
Jun 2011	2003	
Mar 2011	1997	
Jan 2011	2002	
Oct 2010	1997	
Sep 2010	1999	
May 2010	2002	
Mar 2010	2000	
Jan 2010	1999	
Dec 2009	2003	
Sep 2009	2005	
May 2009	2003	
Mar 2009	2004	
Jan 2009	1997	
Oct 2008	1997	
Aug 2008	2001	
Mar 2008	2002	

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	Q13. Have rece in your h	Q13. Have recent price increases caused any financial hardships for you or others in your household, or not? Has that been a serious hardship, or not?						
	Yes,serious hardship	Yes, not serious hardship	Yes, don't know (vol)	No, have not caused hardship	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n		
Feb 2023	30%	30%	1%	39%	0%	1536		
Sep 2022	38%	33%	29%	0%	1%	1702		
May 2022	36%	31%	32%	0%	1%	1699		
Mar 2022	35%	32%	33%	0%	0%	1670		

Q14. Has the cost of gasoline or other transportation caused any financial hardshi for you or your household? (If Yes, ASK: is that a severe hardship that affects you	p ir
ability to maintain your current standard of living, or is it a moderate hardship that	
affects you somewhat but does not jeopardize your standard of living?)	

	yes, caused severe hardship	yes, caused moderate hardship	no, have not caused hardship		Unweighted _n
Feb 2023	21%	33%	46%	0%	1537
Nov 2022	15%	38%	48%	0%	2302

	Q15. And, are you concerned that you or someone in your family will lose their job in the next year, or not? Are you very concerned or somewhat concerned?							
	Yes, very concerned	Yes, somewhat concerned	Already lost job (vol)	No	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n		
Feb 2023	18%	12%	0%	70%	0%	1538		
Jan 2021	23%	18%	5%	52%	2%	1700		
Dec 2011	27%	20%	8%	43%	1%	1998		
Sep 2011	30%	19%	8%	42%	1%	1998		
Jun 2011	30%	18%	6%	45%	1%	2002		
Mar 2011	29%	15%	8%	47%	1%	1994		
Oct 2010	28%	17%	9%	44%	1%	1993		
Sep 2010	28%	16%	8%	47%	1%	2001		
Mar 2010	31%	19%	9%	39%	1%	1999		
Dec 2009	34%	16%	11%	38%	1%	2001		
Sep 2009	30%	19%	9%	41%	1%	2003		
May 2009	31%	16%	8%	43%	1%	2004		
Mar 2009	34%	17%	10%	38%	2%	2001		
Jan 2009	37%	21%	5%	36%	1%	2000		
Sep 2002	15%	12%	0%	74%	0%	1977		
Dec 2001	16%	15%	0%	68%	1%	1971		
May 1998	14%	12%	1%	71%	2%	2003		

		Q16. How concerned are you, if at all, about not having enough money to pay your rent or mortgage? Are you very concerned, somewhat concerned, not too concerned, or not at all concerned?							
	very concerned	somewhat concerned	not too concerned	not at all concerned	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n			
Feb 2023	17%	28%	29%	26%	0%	1537			
Mar 2022	26%	29%	22%	23%	1%	1666			
Mar 2021	25%	25%	20%	29%	1%	1701			
Oct 2010	39%	23%	15%	22%	1%	1994			
Mar 2010	41%	23%	14%	21%	0%	1998			
Dec 2009	45%	20%	14%	21%	1%	1999			
May 2009	39%	22%	14%	25%	1%	2003			
Mar 2009	39%	23%	16%	21%	0%	1999			

	Q17. Overall, I would you s	Q17. Overall, how fair do you think our present state and local tax system is— would you say it is very fair, moderately fair, not too fair, or not at all fair?						
	very fair	moderately fair	not too fair	not at all fair	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n		
Feb 2023	3%	39%	38%	19%	1%	1539		
Mar 2022	6%	34%	29%	29%	3%	1667		
Mar 2021	8%	43%	24%	21%	3%	1699		
Mar 2019	7%	37%	25%	27%	3%	1699		
Mar 2017	6%	49%	24%	18%	3%	1702		
Mar 2016	8%	48%	25%	16%	3%	1702		
Mar 2015	3%	47%	31%	16%	2%	1697		
Mar 2014	3%	47%	32%	15%	3%	1698		
Jan 2012	7%	50%	27%	14%	3%	1996		
Jan 2011	4%	53%	28%	13%	2%	2000		
Jan 2010	4%	49%	26%	19%	3%	1997		
Jun 2003	6%	60%	19%	12%	3%	1983		

Q18. TWhen you combine all of the taxes you pay to state and local governments,

	do you feel that you pay much more than you should, somewhat more than you should, about the right amount, or less than you should?								
	much more	somewhat more	about the right amount	less than you should	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n			
Feb 2023	31%	39%	26%	4%	1%	1536			
Mar 2022	35%	27%	32%	3%	3%	1662			
Mar 2021	30%	27%	36%	4%	3%	1696			
Mar 2019	39%	21%	33%	4%	3%	1695			
Mar 2018	37%	19%	35%	6%	3%	1698			
Mar 2017	35%	23%	37%	2%	3%	1698			
Mar 2016	32%	24%	37%	4%	3%	1701			
Mar 2015	32%	25%	36%	5%	2%	1698			
Mar 2014	30%	30%	35%	3%	3%	1697			
Jan 2012	21%	25%	47%	6%	2%	2000			
Jan 2011	26%	27%	39%	5%	2%	1991			
Jan 2010	31%	25%	35%	6%	3%	1994			
Jan 2004	22%	24%	47%	5%	2%	1986			
Jun 2003	22%	25%	47%	4%	1%	1984			
Feb 2003	26%	23%	44%	3%	2%	1984			

Q19. Where do you think California currently ranks in state and local tax burden per capita?

		average, below average, or near the bottom?						
	near the top	above average	average	below average	near the bottom	don't know (vol)		
Feb 2023	42%	29%	19%	5%	3%	2%		
Mar 2022	51%	26%	11%	3%	2%	7%		
Mar 2021	46%	24%	16%	4%	3%	8%		
Mar 2019	48%	22%	12%	3%	4%	10%		
Mar 2018	49%	23%	13%	3%	4%	7%		
Mar 2016	36%	27%	17%	5%	6%	9%		
Mar 2015	37%	25%	19%	6%	4%	8%		
Mar 2014	36%	24%	21%	5%	2%	11%		
May 2007	34%	32%	22%	6%	2%	4%		
May 2006	29%	28%	22%	6%	4%	11%		

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	Unweighted n
Feb 2023	1537
Mar 2022	1665
Mar 2021	1698
Mar 2019	1702
Mar 2018	1702
Mar 2016	1709
Mar 2015	1705
Mar 2014	1699
May 2007	441
May 2006	1998

	the balance be	ink the state budge tween governmen somewhat of a pro people of Calif	t spending and blem, or not a p	revenues—is a	
-	big problem	somewhat of a problem	not a problem	don't know (vol)	Unweightec n
Feb 2023	34%	51%	13%	2%	1533
May 2022	35%	38%	18%	8%	1695
Feb 2022	39%	36%	19%	7%	1633
May 2021	36%	37%	19%	7%	1696
Jan 2021	38%	41%	12%	9%	1702
May 2020	46%	38%	10%	6%	1698
Jan 2020	42%	37%	14%	6%	1705
May 2019	45%	36%	12%	7%	1700
Jan 2019	40%	38%	18%	4%	1701
Jan 2018	43%	35%	15%	7%	1701
May 2017	43%	37%	13%	7%	1702
Jan 2017	37%	45%	13%	5%	1698
May 2016	44%	37%	13%	6%	1702
Mar 2016	48%	36%	11%	5%	1705
Jan 2016	42%	40%	14%	5%	1697
Dec 2015	45%	36%	11%	8%	1697
Jun 2015	47%	36%	12%	5%	1702
Mar 2015	45%	36%	11%	8%	1699
Jan 2015	46%	39%	11%	4%	1703
Dec 2014	51%	39%	8%	3%	1695
Oct 2014	54%	33%	7%	6%	1698
Sep 2014	55%	32%	7%	6%	1695
May 2014	52%	38%	5%	4%	1698
Jan 2014	50%	40%	7%	3%	1704
Sep 2013	58%	33%	5%	4%	1700
May 2013	61%	30%	6%	2%	1703
Mar 2013	65%	27%	5%	2%	1701
Jan 2013	63%	28%	6%	3%	1703
Dec 2012	68%	26%	4%	2%	1997
Oct 2012	70%	25%	2%	2%	2005
Sep 2012	69%	24%	2%	4%	1998
May 2012	69%	23%	3%	5%	2002
Apr 2012	71%	22%	3%	3%	2004
Mar 2012	67%	24%	5%	4%	2000
Jan 2012	64%	30%	4%	2%	2001
Dec 2011	69%	24%	3%	4%	2001
Sep 2011	68%	27%	2%	3%	1999
Jun 2011	70%	24%	4%	2%	2004
Mar 2011	68%	24%	4%	3%	1999
Jan 2011	68%	26%	3%	3%	2002
Sep 2010	80%	17%	2%	2%	2002

	Q20. Do you think the state budget situation in California—that is, the balance between government spending and revenues—is a big problem, somewhat of a problem, or not a problem for the people of California today?						
	big problem	somewhat of a problem	not a problem	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n		
May 2010	81%	15%	1%	3%	2001		
Mar 2010	77%	19%	2%	2%	2001		
Jan 2010	75%	21%	2%	2%	2000		
Dec 2009	78%	18%	2%	2%	1999		
Sep 2009	78%	18%	2%	2%	2002		
May 2009	74%	22%	2%	3%	2004		
Mar 2009	75%	20%	2%	3%	2001		
Jan 2009	75%	20%	2%	2%	2000		
Oct 2008	74%	22%	2%	2%	2003		
Sep 2008	78%	19%	1%	2%	2001		
Aug 2008	73%	21%	4%	2%	1999		
May 2008	67%	27%	4%	3%	2000		
Mar 2008	68%	26%	3%	4%	1998		
Jan 2008	64%	30%	3%	3%	1997		
May 2007	44%	43%	6%	6%	1996		
Jan 2007	45%	42%	7%	6%	2011		
May 2006	58%	31%	5%	6%	1998		
Jan 2006	61%	30%	4%	4%	2002		

	Q21. Listed below are some of the largest areas for state spending. Please select the one that represents the most spending in the state budget: [ROTATE] [1] K-12 public education, [2] higher education, [3] health and human services, [OR] [4] prisons and corrections?						
	K-12 public education	higher education	health and human services	prisons and corrections	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n	
Feb 2023	18%	6%	42%	31%	3%	1534	
Jan 2019	16%	10%	35%	33%	5%	1692	
Jan 2017	16%	12%	28%	39%	5%	1698	
Jan 2016	15%	10%	28%	42%	5%	1697	
Jan 2015	15%	7%	29%	42%	6%	1703	
Jan 2014	17%	9%	30%	38%	6%	1706	
Jan 2012	16%	5%	27%	47%	5%	1996	
Jan 2011	16%	6%	27%	45%	6%	2001	
Jan 2010	16%	5%	24%	49%	6%	1995	
May 2008	20%	7%	27%	37%	9%	1998	
May 2007	30%	10%	28%	23%	9%	1999	
May 2005	29%	8%	25%	28%	10%	1997	

	personal income tax	sales tax	corporate tax	motor vehicle fees	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n
Feb 2023	43%	30%	15%	10%	3%	1535
Jan 2019	33%	23%	22%	17%	5%	1698
Jan 2015	33%	26%	21%	14%	6%	1700
Jan 2014	26%	30%	17%	18%	9%	1705
Jan 2012	29%	28%	18%	19%	6%	1999
Jan 2011	29%	29%	16%	20%	5%	2001
Jan 2010	28%	30%	18%	17%	7%	1994
May 2008	32%	28%	23%	8%	8%	1997
May 2007	31%	26%	20%	12%	9%	1996
May 2005	32%	27%	16%	15%	10%	2000

Q22. Listed below are some of the largest areas for state revenues. Please select the one that represents the most revenue for the state budget: [ROTATE] [1] personal income tax, [2] sales tax, [3] corporate tax, [OR] [4] motor vehicle fees?

	Q23. Thinking about these four areas of state spending, please select the one you think should have the highest priority when it comes to state government spending, [ROTATE] [1] K-to-12 public education, [2] higher education, [3] health and human services, [OR] [4] prisons and corrections?						
	K-12 public education	higher education	health and human services	prisons and corrections	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n	
Feb 2023	43%	7%	42%	7%	2%	1534	
Mar 2022	37%	10%	43%	7%	3%	1654	
Mar 2021	39%	12%	40%	6%	3%	1689	
Jan 2020	39%	13%	39%	6%	2%	1670	
Jan 2019	46%	16%	32%	4%	3%	1682	
Jan 2017	44%	19%	30%	4%	2%	1690	
Jan 2016	49%	20%	26%	3%	2%	1690	
Jan 2015	53%	20%	18%	6%	2%	1694	

	Q28. In general, which of the following statements do you agree with more—[ROTATE] [1] I'd rather pay higher taxes and have a state government that provides more services, [OR] [2] I'd rather pay lower taxes and have a state government that provides fewer services?				
	higher taxes and more services	lower taxes and fewer services	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n	
Feb 2023	45%	52%	2%	1528	
Mar 2022	51%	44%	5%	1642	
Mar 2021	52%	44%	4%	1672	
Jan 2020	53%	43%	4%	1673	
Dec 2018	51%	45%	5%	1660	
Sep 2018	50%	44%	6%	1666	
Jan 2017	52%	43%	5%	1678	
Dec 2015	48%	45%	7%	1665	
Dec 2014	50%	44%	6%	1660	
Sep 2014	47%	46%	6%	1666	
Jan 2014	51%	44%	5%	1666	
May 2013	48%	44%	8%	1653	
Dec 2012	55%	40%	6%	1953	
May 2012	58%	37%	5%	1965	
Jan 2012	51%	41%	8%	1971	
Jan 2011	49%	46%	4%	1965	
Mar 2010	46%	45%	9%	1958	
Sep 2009	51%	39%	10%	1951	
May 2009	48%	43%	9%	1973	
Jan 2009	51%	42%	7%	1979	
May 2008	49%	43%	8%	1964	
Jan 2008	46%	45%	9%	1955	
May 2007	52%	39%	9%	1946	
Jan 2007	53%	40%	8%	1977	
May 2006	55%	38%	7%	1984	
Jan 2006	61%	31%	8%	1978	
May 2005	46%	46%	8%	1974	
Jan 2005	49%	44%	7%	1973	
May 2004	51%	42%	8%	1976	
Jan 2004	43%	48%	9%	1957	
Sep 2003	43%	47%	10%	1941	
Jun 2003	49%	45%	6%	1952	
Feb 2003	49%	45%	6%	1940	

	Q34. How much of a problem is housing affordability in your part of California? Is it a big problem, somewhat of a problem, or not a problem?					
	big problem	somewhat of a problem	not a problem	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n	
Feb 2023	70%	24%	4%	1%	1536	
Mar 2022	64%	25%	10%	1%	1672	
Mar 2021	61%	29%	9%	1%	1705	
Feb 2020	63%	25%	11%	1%	1698	
Mar 2019	68%	21%	10%	1%	1704	
Oct 2018	65%	24%	9%	2%	1703	
May 2017	59%	28%	12%	1%	1704	

Note: Numbers may not add to 100 due to rounding

	Q35. Does the cost of your housing make you and your family seriously consider moving away from the part of California you live in now? Does it make you consider moving elsewhere in California, or outside of the state?						
	Yes, elsewhere in California	Yes, outside of the state	Yes, other (vol)	No	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n	
Feb 2023	11%	34%	0%	55%	1%	1537	
Mar 2022	8%	37%	1%	54%	1%	1671	
Mar 2021	8%	33%	2%	56%	1%	1703	
Feb 2020	10%	32%	2%	56%	0%	1699	
Mar 2019	9%	35%	3%	52%	0%	1699	
Sep 2017	10%	33%	1%	55%	1%	1714	
Nov 2004	8%	15%	1%	75%	1%	2498	

	Q36. How concerned are you that the cost of housing will prevent the younger generation in your family from buying a home in your part of California—very concerned, somewhat concerned, not too concerned, or not at all concerned?					
	very concerned	somewhat concerned	not too concerned	not at all concerned	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n
Feb 2023	60%	27%	8%	4%	0%	1537
Nov 2004	52%	25%	9%	10%	0%	2,502

	Q37. How much of a problem is homelessness in your part of California? Is it a big problem, somewhat of a problem, or not much of a problem?					
	big problem	somewhat of a problem	not a problem	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n	
Feb 2023	70%	26%	4%	0%	1538	
Sep 2022	68%	21%	10%	1%	1696	
Mar 2022	64%	25%	10%	0%	1671	
Sep 2021	68%	22%	9%	1%	1704	
Feb 2020	61%	25%	13%	1%	1700	
May 2019	63%	23%	13%	0%	1712	

	Q38. In the la homeless p de	ast 12 months, do beople in your loca ecreased or staye	you think that the al community has d about the same	e presence of increased, ?	
	increased	decreased	stayed the same	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n
Feb 2023	70%	3%	26%	1%	1536
Sep 2022	61%	3%	34%	2%	1698
Mar 2022	63%	3%	32%	2%	1670
Sep 2021	60%	5%	33%	2%	1703
Nov 2019	58%	3%	37%	3%	1706

	Q39. How much of a problem are violence and street crime in your local community today? Is it a big problem, somewhat of a problem, or not much of a problem?					
	big problem	somewhat of a problem	not much of a problem	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n	
Feb 2023	30%	46%	24%	0%	1536	
Sep 2022	31%	33%	35%	1%	1698	
Feb 2022	34%	31%	35%	1%	1637	
Feb 2020	24%	36%	38%	1%	1700	
May 2019	27%	36%	37%	1%	1712	
Mar 2017	25%	35%	39%	0%	1706	
Jan 2016	20%	31%	49%	0%	1703	
Jan 2015	24%	34%	42%	0%	1703	
Sep 2013	22%	30%	48%	1%	1702	
Feb 2011	23%	33%	43%	1%	2502	

	Q40. In the last 12 months, do you think that violence and street crime in your local community has increased, decreased or stayed about the same?					
-	increased	decreased	stayed the same	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n	
Feb 2023	48%	5%	46%	1%	1536	
Sep 2022	42%	4%	53%	1%	1697	

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	Q43. How would you rate the job your local police are doing in controlling crime in your community: excellent, good, fair, or poor?							
-	excellent	good	fair	poor	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n		
Feb 2023	9%	37%	39%	13%	1%	1535		
Feb 2022	18%	37%	32%	11%	2%	1634		
Feb 2020	24%	38%	27%	10%	1%	1696		
May 2019	25%	40%	27%	8%	1%	1706		
Mar 2017	30%	35%	24%	10%	1%	1705		
Jan 2016	29%	36%	25%	9%	1%	1701		
Jan 2015	24%	39%	25%	11%	1%	1701		

	Q46. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way that Joe Biden is handling his job as president of the United States?						
	approve	disapprove	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n			
Feb 2023	53%	45%	2%	1523			
Sep 2022	53%	42%	4%	1683			
May 2022	50%	44%	5%	1693			
Mar 2022	50%	47%	3%	1664			
Feb 2022	53%	43%	3%	1630			
Sep 2021	58%	38%	4%	1695			
May 2021	66%	30%	5%	1694			
Mar 2021	65%	30%	5%	1696			
Jan 2021	70%	24%	7%	1693			

	Q48. How much confidence do you have in President Biden to make the right decisions for the country's future—a great deal of confidence, a good amount, just some, or none at all?					
	great deal of confidence	a good amount	just some	none at all	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n
Feb 2023	12%	32%	28%	27%	1%	1533
Jan 2021	28%	30%	20%	20%	2%	1698

-			don't know	Unweighted
	approve	disapprove	(vol)	n
Feb 2023	27%	70%	3%	1523
Sep 2022	39%	55%	6%	1686
May 2022	32%	59%	9%	1692
Mar 2022	37%	57%	5%	1661
Feb 2022	32%	60%	8%	1633
Sep 2021	41%	52%	7%	1686
May 2021	43%	49%	8%	1692
Mar 2021	42%	51%	6%	1700
Jan 2021	42%	51%	7%	1693
Oct 2020	36%	57%	7%	1687
Sep 2020	31%	63%	6%	1684
May 2020	38%	55%	7%	1683
Feb 2020	38%	56%	6%	1688
Jan 2020	38%	55%	7%	1684
Nov 2019	28%	64%	8%	1690
Sep 2019	33%	58%	9%	1680
Jul 2019	25%	65%	9%	1696
May 2019	30%	63%	7%	1690
Mar 2019	36%	56%	8%	1690
Jan 2019	34%	59%	7%	1690
Dec 2018	29%	62%	9%	1686
Oct 2018	25%	64%	11%	1689
Sep 2018	28%	61%	10%	1694
Jul 2018	20%	71%	9%	1697
May 2018	24%	66%	10%	1684
Mar 2018	29%	65%	6%	1697
Jan 2018	21%	72%	7%	1698
Dec 2017	22%	70%	8%	1700
Sep 2017	24%	70%	6%	1726
Jul 2017	24%	68%	8%	1702
May 2017	26%	66%	8%	1695
Mar 2017	36%	55%	9%	1692
Jan 2017	33%	58%	9%	1689
Oct 2016	31%	59%	10%	1703
Sep 2016	29%	65%	6%	1699
Jul 2016	28%	66%	6%	1696
May 2016	28%	67%	6%	1696
Mar 2016	24%	70%	6%	1706
Jan 2016	32%	63%	5%	1694
Dec 2015	26%	67%	7%	1697
Sep 2015	32%	62%	7%	1702
Jul 2015	29%	63%	9%	1690

			don't know	Unweighted
	approve	disapprove	(vol)	n
Jun 2015	27%	68%	5%	1701
Mar 2015	24%	69%	7%	1694
Jan 2015	38%	55%	7%	1700
Oct 2014	24%	68%	8%	1689
Sep 2014	24%	66%	10%	1682
Jul 2014	22%	72%	6%	1690
May 2014	24%	69%	7%	1697
Mar 2014	19%	74%	7%	1695
Jan 2014	26%	69%	5%	1702
Dec 2013	18%	76%	6%	1693
Sep 2013	28%	65%	8%	1682
Jul 2013	30%	62%	7%	2092
May 2013	31%	62%	6%	1696
Mar 2013	29%	67%	4%	1696
Jan 2013	34%	59%	7%	1700
Oct 2012	26%	67%	7%	2000
Sep 2012	27%	67%	7%	1989
Aug 2012	27%	66%	7%	2485
May 2012	22%	69%	8%	1993
Mar 2012	24%	68%	8%	1992
Jan 2012	25%	69%	5%	1993
Dec 2011	20%	75%	5%	1988
Sep 2011	27%	64%	9%	1996
Jul 2011	25%	65%	10%	2495
Mar 2011	30%	58%	12%	1988
Oct 2010	31%	64%	5%	1988
Sep 2010	26%	66%	8%	1990
May 2010	31%	61%	8%	1997
May 2010 Mar 2010	24%	68%	8%	1992
Jan 2010	36%	55%	9%	1991
Dec 2009	38%	54%	8%	1994
Sep 2009	39%	54%	7%	2000
•	47%	43%	10%	1998
May 2009			10%	
Mar 2009	43%	47%		1993
Jan 2009	37%	56% 71%	7% 6%	1997
Oct 2008	23%		6% 0%	1993
Sep 2008	29%	63%	9%	1991
Aug 2008	27%	64%	9%	1990
Mar 2008	33%	55%	12%	1992
Dec 2007 Sep 2007	31% 33%	62% 57%	7% 10%	1992 1990

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	Q49. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way that the U.S. Congress is handling its job?					
_	approve	disapprove	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n		
Jun 2007	33%	54%	13%	1989		
Jan 2007	42%	44%	13%	2006		
Sep 2006	37%	54%	9%	1994		
Mar 2006	35%	54%	11%	1992		
Oct 2005	42%	46%	11%	1996		

	U.S. Congress	Q51. Do you think that President Biden and the U.S. Congress will be able to work together and accomplish a lot in the next year, or not?					
	yes, will be able to work together	no, will not be able to work together	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n			
Feb 2023	27%	70%	3%	1530			
Feb 2022	36%	59%	5%	1636			
Jan 2021	69%	26%	5%	1699			
Jan 2020	18%	78%	4%	1701			
Jan 2019	25%	72%	3%	1703			
Jan 2018	29%	67%	4%	1700			
Jan 2017	50%	44%	6%	1692			
Jan 2015	35%	61%	4%	1703			
Jan 2014	37%	60%	3%	1704			
Jan 2013	51%	44%	5%	1703			
Jan 2012	35%	62%	3%	1998			
Jan 2010	56%	38%	6%	1999			
May 2009	74%	19%	6%	1999			
Jan 2009	81%	14%	5%	1995			
Jun 2007	28%	68%	5%	1998			
Jan 2007	38%	56%	6%	2012			

	Q53. Do you think things in the United States are generally going in the right direction or the wrong direction?				
	right direction	wrong direction	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n	
Feb 2023	30%	67%	2%	1528	
Sep 2022	35%	59%	6%	1687	
May 2022	30%	63%	6%	1685	
Feb 2022	38%	56%	6%	1624	
Sep 2021	46%	50%	5%	1687	
May 2021	53%	43%	4%	1698	
Jan 2021	52%	43%	6%	1699	
Oct 2020	33%	62%	5%	1690	
Nov 2019	34%	61%	5%	1677	
Jan 2019	30%	66%	3%	1686	
Oct 2018	36%	57%	7%	1693	
Dec 2017	29%	65%	6%	1692	
May 2017	29%	65%	6%	1689	
Jan 2017	36%	57%	7%	1689	
Oct 2016	43%	50%	7%	1697	
Mar 2016	40%	56%	4%	1702	
Sep 2015	44%	51%	5%	1690	
Mar 2015	40%	54%	6%	1690	
Mar 2014	39%	56%	5%	1691	
Dec 2013	35%	57%	7%	1693	
Jan 2013	56%	39%	5%	1701	
Oct 2012	46%	49%	5%	1998	
Sep 2011	30%	65%	5%	1989	
Oct 2010	36%	58%	6%	1982	
Dec 2009	42%	53%	5%	1997	
May 2009	57%	37%	6%	2000	
Jan 2009	32%	62%	6%	1993	
Aug 2008	21%	74%	5%	1994	
Mar 2008	22%	73%	6%	1997	
Jun 2007	31%	63%	6%	1982	
Jan 2007	34%	60%	6%	2003	
Oct 2006	31%	62%	7%	1992	
Sep 2005	34%	62%	5%	2002	
Jan 2005	43%	51%	5%	1997	
Sep 2004	42%	54%	4%	1995	
Sep 2004	42%	51%	7%	1979	

	Q54. Turning to economic conditions, do you think that during the next 12 months the United States will have good times financially or bad times?				
-	good times	bad times	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n	
Feb 2023	24%	74%	2%	1533	
Sep 2022	28%	66%	7%	1694	
May 2022	22%	70%	8%	1691	
Feb 2022	38%	54%	8%	1631	
Sep 2021	44%	47%	9%	1694	
May 2021	55%	39%	5%	1694	
Jan 2021	45%	49%	6%	1697	
Sep 2020	35%	58%	7%	1687	
May 2020	23%	70%	6%	1693	
Nov 2019	47%	43%	10%	1692	
Oct 2018	48%	42%	10%	1695	
May 2017	39%	50%	11%	1697	
Jan 2017	52%	39%	8%	1692	
Oct 2016	46%	39%	15%	1693	
Mar 2016	48%	42%	10%	1702	
Sep 2015	48%	45%	7%	1695	
Mar 2015	53%	41%	6%	1686	
Mar 2014	45%	48%	7%	1689	
Dec 2013	43%	48%	9%	1693	
Oct 2012	45%	46%	10%	1997	
Sep 2011	29%	65%	6%	1995	
Sep 2010	35%	58%	7%	1985	
Dec 2009	35%	58%	8%	1999	
May 2009	33%	61%	6%	2001	
Jan 2009	24%	71%	5%	1995	
Aug 2008	23%	70%	7%	1992	
Mar 2008	18%	76%	5%	1998	
Jun 2007	39%	53%	8%	1993	
Jan 2007	47%	46%	8%	2006	
Oct 2006	44%	46%	9%	1996	
Sep 2005	30%	63%	7%	2002	
Jan 2005	48%	43%	9%	1996	
Sep 2004	47%	41%	12%	1996	
Sep 2003	47%	42%	11%	1974	

	just about always	most of the time	only some of the time	none of the time (vol)	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n
Feb 2023	2%	30%	66%	0%	1%	1532
May 2022	5%	20%	60%	12%	3%	1693
Sep 2021	10%	28%	52%	8%	2%	1700
Jan 2021	7%	33%	49%	9%	2%	1696
May 2020	6%	18%	64%	9%	2%	1695
Jan 2020	5%	19%	66%	8%	2%	1700
May 2018	6%	18%	62%	11%	3%	1693
Mar 2017	7%	22%	62%	7%	2%	1701
Oct 2016	7%	26%	55%	9%	2%	1699
Jun 2015	8%	19%	65%	7%	1%	1697
May 2014	5%	21%	64%	8%	1%	1698
Dec 2013	6%	18%	65%	10%	2%	1696
Oct 2012	7%	24%	63%	5%	1%	1999
Dec 2011	6%	14%	69%	10%	1%	1998
Oct 2010	5%	25%	60%	9%	2%	1992
May 2009	6%	30%	56%	6%	2%	2000
Oct 2008	4%	18%	66%	11%	2%	1999
Mar 2008	5%	22%	64%	7%	2%	1994
Sep 2007	4%	19%	67%	8%	2%	1996
Mar 2007	5%	23%	64%	5%	2%	1999
Oct 2006	5%	21%	62%	10%	2%	1997
Oct 2005	6%	23%	59%	9%	3%	1997
Jan 2005	6%	26%	59%	7%	1%	1999
Feb 2004	5%	25%	57%	10%	3%	1985
Feb 2003	7%	31%	56%	3%	2%	1982
Dec 2002	7%	30%	57%	5%	1%	1975
Aug 2002	7%	30%	58%	4%	1%	1979
Jan 2002	7%	39%	52%	1%	1%	1954
Oct 2000	4%	29%	62%	4%	1%	1980
Jan 2000	7%	26%	62%	5%	1%	1986
Dec 1999	6%	26%	63%	5%	1%	1992
Sep 1998	5%	28%	63%	4%	0%	1998
May 1998	3%	21%	59%	16%	1%	2001
Apr 1998	3%	23%	62%	12%	0%	1980

	Q56. Would you say the federal government is pretty much run by a few big interests looking out for themselves, or that it is run for the benefit of all of the people?				
	a few big interests	benefit of all the people	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n	
Feb 2023	82%	16%	2%	1528	
May 2022	73%	22%	5%	1687	
Jan 2020	77%	18%	5%	1675	
Mar 2017	70%	25%	5%	1694	
Oct 2016	64%	28%	8%	1688	
Jun 2015	72%	23%	5%	1684	
May 2014	70%	23%	7%	1686	
Dec 2013	73%	22%	6%	1681	
Oct 2012	67%	28%	5%	1983	
Dec 2011	73%	21%	6%	1986	
Oct 2010	68%	24%	7%	1971	
May 2009	59%	34%	7%	1994	
Oct 2008	74%	20%	6%	1991	
Mar 2008	67%	26%	7%	1986	
Sep 2007	71%	23%	7%	1983	
Mar 2007	70%	24%	7%	1988	
Feb 2004	67%	25%	8%	1959	
Jan 2002	57%	34%	9%	1931	
Oct 2000	64%	29%	7%	1971	
Sep 1998	70%	25%	6%	1984	

	lot of the money we pay in taxes, waste some of it, or don't waste very much of it?					
	a lot	some	don't waste very much	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n	
Feb 2023	55%	40%	3%	2%	1534	
May 2022	54%	32%	10%	4%	1691	
Jan 2020	63%	29%	6%	3%	1699	
Mar 2017	61%	27%	8%	3%	1701	
Oct 2016	55%	31%	10%	4%	1700	
Jun 2015	61%	30%	7%	2%	1702	
May 2014	58%	33%	6%	3%	1700	
Dec 2013	61%	30%	5%	4%	1694	
Oct 2012	57%	35%	7%	2%	2005	
May 2012	67%	24%	6%	3%	2000	
Dec 2011	63%	30%	5%	2%	1996	
Oct 2010	63%	29%	5%	3%	1991	
May 2009	57%	35%	6%	3%	1998	
Oct 2008	74%	21%	3%	2%	1999	
Mar 2008	63%	30%	4%	3%	1996	
Sep 2007	65%	29%	5%	2%	1995	
Mar 2007	68%	26%	4%	2%	1999	
Oct 2006	65%	28%	4%	3%	1996	
Oct 2005	67%	27%	3%	3%	1994	
Feb 2004	61%	32%	5%	2%	1989	
Jan 2002	54%	39%	5%	2%	1956	
Jan 2000	59%	35%	5%	2%	1987	
Sep 1998	64%	31%	4%	1%	2000	

Q57. Do you think the people in the federal government waste a

	Q58. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way the US Supreme Court is handling its job?					
	approve	disapprove	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n		
Feb 2023	37%	59%	3%	1525		
Jan 2017	57%	32%	11%	1687		
May 2016	45%	42%	13%	1689		
Aug 2005	52%	33%	14%	1991		

	Q59. In general, do you think the current U.S. Supreme Court is too liberal, too conservative, or just about right?					
	too liberal	too conservative	just about right	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n	
Feb 2023	15%	52%	30%	3%	1529	
Jan 2017	20%	24%	47%	8%	1690	

	Q61. In general, do you think abortion should be [ROTATE ORDER TOP TO BOTTOM] legal in all cases, legal in most cases, illegal in most cases, or illegal in all cases?					
	legal in all cases	legal in most cases	illegal in most cases	illegal in all cases	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n
Feb 2023	32%	36%	21%	10%	1%	1524
Sep 2022	41%	34%	16%	8%	2%	1429

	Q62. Do you favor or oppose allowing gay and lesbian couples to enter into same-sex marriages?				
	favor	oppose	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n	
Feb 2023	69%	29%	2%	1521	
Oct 2014	56%	36%	8%	1677	
Sep 2013	61%	34%	5%	1684	
May 2013	56%	38%	6%	1678	
Jan 2013	53%	41%	6%	1692	
May 2012	54%	40%	7%	1710	
Mar 2012	52%	41%	6%	1978	
Sep 2011	53%	42%	5%	1983	
Sep 2010	52%	42%	6%	1955	
Mar 2010	50%	45%	6%	1966	
Mar 2009	44%	49%	7%	1974	
Oct 2008	44%	50%	5%	1985	
Aug 2008	45%	48%	7%	1977	
Jun 2007	45%	49%	6%	1976	
Sep 2006	44%	48%	8%	1985	
Aug 2005	44%	48%	8%	1984	
Feb 2004	44%	50%	6%	1963	
Jan 2000	39%	55%	7%	1975	

	Q65. What do you think is more important— [ROTATE] (1) to protect the right of Americans to own guns, [OR] (2) to control gun ownership?				
	protect the right of to control Americans to gun don't know Unweight own guns ownership (vol) n				
Feb 2023	34%	65%	1%	1531	
Sep 2015	40%	57%	3%	1696	
Mar 2013	41%	56%	3%	1691	

	Q66. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of the Democratic Party?					
	favorable	unfavorable	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n		
Feb 2023	50%	49%	2%	1513		
Sep 2021	51%	42%	7%	1676		
Oct 2020	47%	46%	7%	1686		
Nov 2019	47%	45%	9%	1675		
Oct 2018	46%	41%	12%	1671		
Dec 2017	48%	42%	10%	1681		
Oct 2016	53%	37%	9%	1692		
May 2016	49%	44%	7%	1687		
Dec 2015	51%	40%	9%	1676		
Oct 2014	46%	43%	10%	1680		
Dec 2013	52%	39%	9%	1683		
Mar 2013	55%	36%	8%	1686		
Oct 2012	58%	35%	7%	1991		
Sep 2011	47%	42%	12%	1984		
Oct 2010	47%	43%	10%	1969		
Mar 2010	44%	44%	12%	1972		

	Q67. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of the Republican Party?				
-	favorable	unfavorable	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n	
Feb 2023	23%	75%	2%	1521	
Sep 2021	28%	64%	9%	1670	
Oct 2020	35%	58%	7%	1681	
Nov 2019	31%	58%	11%	1670	
Oct 2018	29%	61%	11%	1669	
Dec 2017	26%	64%	10%	1692	
Oct 2016	23%	69%	8%	1684	
May 2016	23%	70%	7%	1684	
Dec 2015	30%	61%	9%	1668	
Oct 2014	29%	59%	12%	1676	
Dec 2013	33%	57%	11%	1684	
Mar 2013	37%	56%	7%	1681	
Oct 2012	35%	56%	9%	1983	
Sep 2011	32%	56%	12%	1991	
Oct 2010	28%	60%	12%	1964	
Mar 2010	31%	56%	13%	1967	

	Q68. In your view, do the Republican and Democratic parties do an adequate job representing the American people, or do they do such a poor job that a third major party is needed?				
	adequate job	third party is needed	don't know (vol)	Unweighted n	
Feb 2023	28%	68%	4%	1516	
Oct 2020	35%	57%	8%	1662	
Nov 2019	34%	54%	12%	1651	
Oct 2018	32%	55%	13%	1646	
Dec 2017	29%	60%	11%	1675	
Oct 2016	32%	58%	10%	1679	
Dec 2015	33%	57%	10%	1668	
Oct 2014	29%	58%	13%	1669	
Dec 2013	37%	49%	13%	1664	
Mar 2013	39%	51%	10%	1680	
Oct 2012	44%	48%	8%	1972	
Sep 2011	37%	51%	12%	1959	
Oct 2010	35%	53%	12%	1963	
Mar 2010	36%	53%	11%	1969	
Sep 2008	41%	52%	8%	1977	
Oct 2006	38%	53%	10%	1992	
Sep 2004	48%	46%	7%	1988	