

Battleground 70 Civility

FINAL

STUDY #17070

THE TARRANCE GROUP and LAKE RESEARCH PARTNERS

N = 800 Registered likely voters

Margin of error \pm 3.5%

Field Dates: January 22-27, 2022

Hello, I'm _____ of The Tarrance Group, a national survey research firm. We're talking to people today about public leaders and issues facing us all.

IF CELL CODE = "N", ASK: May I please speak with the youngest (male/female) in the household who is registered to vote?

IF CELL CODE = "Y", ASK:

CP-1. Do you currently live in (state from cell sample sheet)?

Yes (**CONTINUE TO CP-3**)

No (**CONTINUE TO CP-2**)

IF "NO" IN CP-1, ASK:

CP-2. In what state do you currently reside?

(**RECORD STATE NAME**)

IF CELL CODE = "Y", ASK:

CP-3. For your safety, are you driving right now?

Yes (**SCHEDULE CALL BACK**)

No

A. Are you registered to vote in your state?

IF "NO," ASK: Is there someone else at home who is registered to vote?

(IF "YES," THEN ASK: MAY I SPEAK WITH HIM/HER?)

Yes (**CONTINUE**)

No (**THANK AND TERMINATE**)

B. Are you, or is anyone in your household, employed with an advertising agency, newspaper, television or radio station, or political campaign?

Yes (THANK AND TERMINATE)
No (CONTINUE)

C1-1. In order to ensure an accurate sample: What is your age, please?
(i.e. Record 48 years old as 0 4 8)
(Record UNSURE/REFUSED AS 9 9 9)

(RECORD AGE)

IF REFUSED, PROMPT: We need at least an age range for statistical purposes only. If I read a list of age ranges, will you tell me which one you fall in? (READ CHOICES)

C1-2. What is your age, please? (JUST RECORD)

18-24	5%
25-29	3%
30-34	9%
35-39	8%
40-44	15%
45-54	14%
55-64	24%
65-69	7%
70-74	5%
75-79	5%
80-84	3%
85-89	1%
90 or over	1%
HARD REFUSE	*

Now thinking ahead to the election for Congress that will be held in November --

D. What is the likelihood of your voting in the November elections for Congress – are you extremely likely, very likely, somewhat likely, or not very likely at all?

(CONTINUE)	Extremely Likely	69%
	Very Likely	21%
	Somewhat Likely	11%
(THANK AND TERMINATE)	Not Very Likely	
	UNSURE (DNR)	

Now, thinking for a moment about things in the country--

1. Do you feel things in the country are going in the right direction, or do you feel things have gotten off on the wrong track?

IF CHOICE MADE, ASK: And do you feel strongly or somewhat about that?

Right direction/strongly..... 15%
 Right direction/somewhat 17%
 UNSURE (DNR) 6%
 Wrong track/somewhat 12%
 Wrong track/strongly..... 50%

Now I would like to read you a list of issues that some people have said are important to them. Please listen as I read the list and tell me which one issue you think is most important to you personally.

(READ AND ROTATE ISSUES)

IF CHOICE MADE, ASK: And which issue do you think is next most important?

	<u>Q2 MOST IMPORTANT</u>	<u>Q3 NEXT MOST IMPORTANT</u>
• Taxes	2%	3%
• Jobs and the economy	11%	12%
• National defense and terrorism	2%	5%
• COVID-19	10%	9%
• Health care	6%	10%
• Crime and drugs	4%	6%
• Government spending	9%	10%
• Climate change	10%	8%
• Immigration	8%	9%
• Division in the country	12%	10%
• Rising cost of living	13%	12%
• Racism	4%	5%
• COMBINATION/EQUALLY (DNR)	9%	1%
• OTHER (DNR)	1%	2%
• NONE (DNR)	*	*
• UNSURE (DNR)	1%	*

Now, I would like you to think about civility in politics for the next few questions...

4. In general, since the beginning of the COVID-19 health crisis, do you think politics has been:

****RANDOMIZE CHOICES****

- More civil,
- Less civil, OR
- About the same

since the advent of the COVID-19 health crisis?

More civil	15%
Less civil.....	67%
About the same	16%
UNSURE/REFUSED (DNR)	2%

And, thinking about this issue over a different length of time...

5. In general, since Joe Biden has become President, do you think politics has been:

****RANDOMIZE CHOICES****

- More civil,
- Less civil, OR
- About the same

since before he became President?

More civil	29%
Less civil.....	43%
About the same	27%
UNSURE/REFUSED (DNR)	2%

Now, I want to ask you for a moment about the events of January 6, 2021.

6. Based on what you know, do you think the events of January 6 made it more likely or less likely that the country will have violent political protests in the future?

IF CHOICE IS MADE, ASK:

And is that strongly or somewhat (more likely/less likely)?

More likely/strongly	38%
More likely/somewhat.....	20%
UNSURE (DNR)	10%
No difference	10%
Less likely/somewhat	11%
Less likely/strongly	12%

7. Now I am going to read you a list of values. When thinking about our leaders, please tell me which value is the most important to you.
(READ AND RANDOMIZE LIST)

Respect.....	18%
Opportunity.....	5%
Security	6%
Stability.....	11%
Freedom.....	33%
Responsibility	23%
Privacy	3%
UNSURE/REFUSED (DNR)	2%

Now, I am going to mention several items. For each one, please tell me if you have a lot, some, a little, or no respect for that particular person or organization. Here is the first one...

(RANDOMIZE ITEMS)

		<u>A lot</u>	<u>Some</u>	<u>A little</u>	<u>None</u>	<u>DK/ Ref</u>
8.	Members of the Republican party (PROMPT: DO YOU HAVE A LOT, SOME, A LITTLE, OR NO RESPECT FOR THIS PERSON OR ORGANIZATION?)	16%	32%	22%	26%	4%
9.	Members of the Democratic party	19%	32%	21%	26%	2%
10.	President Joe Biden	31%	23%	12%	34%	1%
11.	Large newspapers like the Washington Post and the New York Times.	19%	25%	15%	30%	11%
12.	Fox News	13%	21%	20%	41%	5%
13.	U.S. Senator Mitch McConnell	7%	27%	20%	37%	10%
14.	Nancy Pelosi (“ PUH-LOW-SEE ”)	22%	19%	11%	45%	3%
15.	MSNBC	15%	24%	15%	34%	12%
16.	Donald Trump	24%	17%	11%	46%	1%
17.	CNN	16%	25%	12%	38%	9%
18.	Dr. Anthony Fauci (“ FOW-chee ”)	40%	13%	11%	33%	5%
19.	The Black Lives Matter movement	33%	21%	11%	32%	4%
20.	Your state’s governor	35%	23%	17%	23%	2%

(END RANDOMIZATION)

And, thinking about the issue of political divisions as a whole...

- 21. On a scale of 0 to 100, where “0” is there is no political division in the country and where “100” is political division on the edge of a civil war, where would you rank the level of political division in the country?
(Record UNSURE/REFUSED AS 9 9 9)

(RECORD RESPONSE)

Now, please think ahead to one year from now...

- 22. On a scale of 0 to 100, where “0” is there is no political division in the country and where “100” is political division on the edge of a civil war, where would did you think the level of political division will be one year from now?
(Record UNSURE/REFUSED AS 9 9 9)

(RECORD RESPONSE)

And, no matter how you feel about the political divisions in the country...

- 23. Would you say that you agree or disagree with this statement:

I am optimistic about the future because young people are committed to making this country a better place to live for everyone.

<u>IF CHOICE MADE, ASK:</u>	Agree/strongly	26%
And do you strongly	Agree/somewhat	32%
(agree/disagree)	UNSURE (DNR)	4%
or somewhat (agree/	Disagree/somewhat	16%
disagree) with that?	Disagree/strongly.....	22%

Now, just a few final questions for statistical purposes only...

- D2. What is the highest level of education you have completed?

(DO NOT READ, JUST RECORD)

Some grade school (1-8)	*
Some high school (9-11)	2%
Graduated high school (12).....	15%
Technical/vocational (12).....	4%
Some college (13-15)	30%
Graduated college (16).....	28%
Graduate/professional school (16 or more)	20%
Unsure/Refused	*

D3. When thinking about politics and government, do you consider yourself to be...
(READ LIST, ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP)

Very conservative..... 23%
 Somewhat conservative..... 28%
 MODERATE (DNR) 10%
 Somewhat liberal 21%
 Very liberal 16%
 UNSURE/REFUSED (DNR) 3%

And,

D4. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, or an Independent?

IF REPUBLICAN OR DEMOCRAT,

ASK: Would you call yourself a strong or a not very strong (Republican/Democrat)?

Republican/strong..... 30%
 Republican/not strong 8%
 Lean Republican..... 6%

Independent 8%

IF INDEPENDENT OR ANYTHING

ELSE, ASK: Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican or Democratic Party?

Lean Democrat 7%
 Democrat/not strong 9%
 Democrat/strong 31%

NO PREFERENCE (DNR) *

OTHER (DNR) *

UNSURE/REFUSED (DNR) *

D5. Which of these statements best describes how you have usually voted in past elections?

(READ LIST, ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP)

Straight Republican 17%
 Mostly Republican 22%
 A few more Republicans than Democrats..... 5%
 INDEPENDENT/THE PERSON (DNR) 4%
 A few more Democrats than Republicans..... 6%
 Mostly Democratic 20%
 Straight Democratic..... 24%
 UNSURE/REFUSED (DNR) 2%

Still thinking about your viewing habits, specifically as they pertain to “Fox News” –

D6. How often would you say that you watch the Fox News Channel? Would you say that you watch the Fox News Channel – **(ROTATE, FRONT TO BACK, BACK TO FRONT)** -- • daily, • a few times a week, • every so often, or • not at all?

Daily 14%
 Few times a week 13%
 Every so often..... 25%
 Not at all 47%
 UNSURE/DK (DNR) 1%

D7. Are you a member of a labor union, including trade unions, service employee unions, public employee unions, and teachers unions?

IF NO, THEN ASK: Is anyone in your household a member of one of these types of labor unions?

Labor Union Member..... 13%
Labor Union Household..... 3%
Non-Union Household 84%
UNSURE/REFUSED (DNR) *

D8. What is your current marital status -- are you -- • single and never married, • married, • separated, • divorced, or •widowed?

Single 26%
Married 58%
Separated 1%
Divorced 8%
Widowed 6%
UNSURE/REFUSED (DNR) 1%

D9. Do you have children under the age of 18 living at home?

Yes 27%
No..... 72%
UNSURE/REFUSED (DNR) *

D10. How often do you attend church, synagogue, or other worship services?

More than once a week.....10%
Once a week23%
Several times a month.....9%
Once a month.....5%
Several times a year.....10%
Only on holidays.....12%
NEVER/DON'T ATTEND30%
UNSURE/REFUSED1%

D11. Do you consider yourself to be a born-again or evangelical Christian?

Born-again/evangelical.....39%
Not born-again.....57%
REFUSED (DNR)5%

D12. What do you consider to be your race? Are you white, African-American, Hispanic, Asian, Native American or some other race?

White..... 74%
Black/African-American 12%
Hispanic/Latino (TO D13)..... 7%
Asian/Pacific American..... 1%
Native American..... 1%
Other 4%
UNSURE/REFUSED (DNR) 1%

FOR ALL RESPONSES EXCEPT “HISPANIC/LATINO,” ASK:

D12-1. And, do you consider yourself a Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish-speaking American?

Yes 7%
No..... 92%
UNSURE/REFUSED (DNR) 1%

****ASK OF EVERYONE****

And, thinking about your economic class...

D13. Do you consider yourself to be:
(ROTATE CHOICES, TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP)

- Upper class,
- Middle class,
- Working class, or
- Low income?

Upper class8%
Middle class60%
Working class.....20%
Low income.....9%
Unemployed (DNR)*
Refused (DNR)2%

D14. Sex/Emp (**BY OBSERVATION**)

ASK OF EVERYONE: Are you employed outside the house, self-employed, not in the labor force, retired, or unemployed?

Male/employed	23%
Male/self-employed	7%
Male/not in labor force	1%
Male/retired	11%
Male/unemployed	3%
Female/employed	22%
Female/self-employed	10%
Female/not in labor force	2%
Female/retired	15%
Female/unemployed	7%
MALE/REFUSED (DNR)	
FEMALE/REFUSED (DNR)	*

D15. How would you describe the community in which you live? Is it rural or small town, urban, large urban or a suburb?

Rural/small town	42%
Urban	17%
Large Urban	7%
Suburb	32%
UNSURE (DNR)	1%
REFUSED(DNR)	1%

D16. Have you personally received one of the vaccines available for COVID-19?

Yes	73%
No	25%
UNSURE/REFUSED (DNR)	2%

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