Battleground 71 Civility

FINAL

STUDY #17238
THE TARRANCE GROUP and LAKE RESEARCH PARTNERS
N = 800 Registered likely voters
Margin of error ± 3.5%
Field Dates: July 16-20, 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)?

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Yes **(CONTINUE TO CP-3)**
No **(CONTINUE TO CP-2)**

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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)**

*=Less than .5%

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 <u>0</u> <u>4</u> <u>8</u>)
(Record UNSURE/REFUSED AS <u>9</u> <u>9</u> <u>9</u>)

_____ _____ _____
(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	6%
30-34	6%
35-39	11%
40-44	12%
45-54	13%
55-64	25%
65-69	7%
70-74	6%
75-79	4%
80-84	3%
85-89	1%
90 or over	*
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?

	Extremely Likely	65%
(CONTINUE)	Very Likely	26%
	Somewhat Likely	10%
(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?

<table>
<tr><td>_____</td><td>Right direction/strongly.. 7%</td></tr>
<tr><td><u>IF CHOICE MADE, ASK:</u> And</td><td>Right direction/somewhat .... 10%</td></tr>
<tr><td>do you feel strongly or</td><td>UNSURE (DNR) .... 6%</td></tr>
<tr><td>somewhat about that?</td><td>Wrong track/somewhat .... 10%</td></tr>
<tr><td></td><td>Wrong track/strongly.. 67%</td></tr>
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2. If the election for Congress were being held today, and you had to make a choice, would you be voting for-**(ROTATE) --**
   • the Republican candidate or
   • the Democrat candidate, in your district?

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<tr><td>_____</td><td>Republican.. 42%</td></tr>
<tr><td><u>IF "UNDECIDED", ASK:</u> And</td><td>Lean Republican.. 5%</td></tr>
<tr><td>which party's candidate do</td><td>UNDECIDED (DNR)... 6%</td></tr>
<tr><td>you lean toward at this</td><td>Lean Democrat .... 3%</td></tr>
<tr><td>time?</td><td>Democrat .... 45%</td></tr>
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Now, thinking about President Joe Biden --

3. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling his job as President?

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<tr><td>_____</td><td>Approve/strongly.. 18%</td></tr>
<tr><td><u>IF CHOICE MADE, ASK:</u> And</td><td>Approve/somewhat... 24%</td></tr>
<tr><td>do you strongly or somewhat</td><td>UNSURE (DNR) .... 3%</td></tr>
<tr><td>(approve/disapprove)?</td><td>Disapprove/somewhat .... 9%</td></tr>
<tr><td></td><td>Disapprove/strongly .... 46%</td></tr>
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Now, I want you to think about your close friends and family. I am going to read you a list. For each item, please tell me if all, most, some or none of your close friends and family share this item. Here is the first one…
(RANDOMIZE ITEMS)

		All	**Most**	**Some**	**None**	**DK/ Ref**
4.	Share the same religious beliefs as you **(PROMPT: DO ALL, MOST, SOME OR NONE OF YOUR CLOSE FRIENDS AND FAMILY SHARE THIS ITEM?)**	20%	33%	38%	7%	2%
5.	Share the same political beliefs as you	18%	41%	35%	3%	2%
6.	Are in the same ethnic group as you	28%	39%	29%	3%	1%
7.	Are in the same economic class as you	15%	37%	41%	5%	2%
8.	Votes for the same candidates as you	17%	38%	35%	3%	7%
9.	Are in same political party as you	20%	38%	36%	4%	3%
10.	Have the same type of job as you	4%	10%	37%	46%	3%

(END RANDOMIZATION)

As you may already know, the House of Representatives has a special committee that is investigating the events of January 6, 2020. With this in mind…

11.   How closely would you say that you are following news about the work of this committee? Would you say that you are following their work extremely closely, very closely, somewhat closely, or not at all closely?

Extremely...15%
Very...18%
Somewhat..29%
Not At All 37%
UNSURE **(DNR)**...1%

Now, I would like to read you a list of statements. Please listen carefully as I read each statement and tell me if you would agree or disagree with that particular statement.
 (READ AND RANDOMIZE)

IF CHOICE MADE, ASK: Is that strongly (agree/disagree) or somewhat (agree/disagree)?

		AGREE			DISAGREE	
		strng	smwht	UNSURE (DNR)	smwht	strng
12.	I am optimistic about the future because young people are committed to making this country a better place to live for everyone. **(PROMPT: DO YOU AGREE OR DISAGREE WITH THIS STATEMENT?)**	22%	25%	3%	22%	28%
13.	Even though there were some problems in 2020, I think the elections in 2022 are going to be peaceful.	22%	37%	6%	19%	17%
14.	I believe the 2022 elections will be fair.	36%	30%	5%	10%	18%
15.	I often avoid bringing up politics with my friends and family to avoid conflicts.	23%	26%	1%	23%	28%
16.	I have family members with whom I can no longer talk because their views about politics and current events are so different than my beliefs.	14%	15%	1%	20%	50%

(END ROTATION)

And, still thinking about the issues of political civility and our elected leaders…

17. No matter what you think about political civility, which of these would you prefer:

- A politician who consistently fights for my values, even if this means not finding a solution very often, OR
- A politician who is willing to work together to get things done, even if it means compromising on my values sometimes?

Politician consistent/few solutions............................30%
Politician work together/compromising..................66%
COMBINATION/BOTH/OTHER **(DNR)**...............1%
UNSURE/REFUSED **(DNR)** 4%

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

18.   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)

Mean Score: 71.4

Now, please think ahead to one year from now…

19.   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)

Mean Score: 68.9

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) 1%
        Some high school (9-11) 2%
        Graduated high school (12) 15%
        Technical/vocational (12) 5%
        Some college (13-15) 30%
        Graduated college (16) 33%
        Graduate/professional school (16 or more) 16%
        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 21%
        Somewhat conservative 31%
        MODERATE (**DNR**) 4%
        Somewhat liberal 26%
        Very liberal 16%
        UNSURE/REFUSED (**DNR**) 2%

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 28%
	Republican/not strong 8%
	Lean Republican...8%
	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 8%
	Democrat/strong 32%
	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..................6%
	INDEPENDENT/THE PERSON **(DNR)** 1%
	A few more Democrats than Republicans..................6%
	Mostly Democratic...21%
	Straight Democratic..25%
	UNSURE/REFUSED (DNR) 1%

D6.   What is your current marital status -- are you -- • single and never married, • married, •   separated, • divorced, or •widowed?

	Single 25%
	Married 55%
	Separated 1%
	Divorced 11%
	Widowed 7%
	UNSURE/REFUSED **(DNR)** 1%

D7.   Do you have children under the age of 18 living at home?

	Yes...29%
	No...71%
	UNSURE/REFUSED **(DNR)** .... *

D8.   How often do you attend church, synagogue, or other worship services?

> More than once a week 7%
> Once a week 20%
> Several times a month...10%
> Once a month..4%
> Several times a year...12%
> Only on holidays..17%
> NEVER/DON'T ATTEND 27%
> UNSURE/REFUSED 3%

D9.   Do you consider yourself to be a born-again or evangelical Christian?

> Born-again/evangelical...37%
> Not born-again..52%
> REFUSED (DNR)..11%

D10. Which of the following <u>best</u> describes your position on the abortion issue?
(READ ALTERNATIVES)

• Abortion should be illegal and prohibited under all circumstances   10%

• Abortion should be illegal except in cases such as rape, incest or to save the life of the
mother.   27%

• Abortion should be legally available during the first three months of pregnancy only.   16%

• Abortion should be legally available to any woman who requests it.   42%

• UNSURE **(DNR)**   5%

D11. What do you consider to be your race? Are you white, African-American, Hispanic, Asian, Native American or some other race?

> White...73%
> Black/African-American 13%
> Hispanic/Latino **(TO D12)**.......................................9%
> Asian/Pacific American..1%
> Native American...1%
> Other 3%
> UNSURE/REFUSED **(DNR)** 1%

FOR ALL RESPONSES EXCEPT "HISPANIC/LATINO," ASK:

D11-1. And, do you consider yourself a Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish-speaking American?

> Yes 5%
> No...95%
> UNSURE/REFUSED **(DNR)** 1%

And, thinking about your economic class…

D12.   Do you consider yourself to be:
        (ROTATE CHOICES, TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP)

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

Upper class 6%
Middle class 64%
Working class..18%
Low income...11%
Unemployed (**DNR**) 1%
Refused (**DNR**) ....*

D13.   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..26%
Male/self-employed... 6%
Male/not in labor force 1%
Male/retired 11%
Male/unemployed.. 3%

Female/employed 23%
Female/self-employed 8%
Female/not in labor force 2%
Female/retired... 13%
Female/unemployed 8%

MALE/REFUSED (**DNR**)..
FEMALE/REFUSED (**DNR**) .... *

D14.   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 15%
Large Urban...10%
Suburb...33%
UNSURE (**DNR**) 1%
REFUSED(**DNR**)..

RECORD ALL FROM SAMPLE