

Texas Likely Voter Sample

Field Dates: June 29 – July 7, 2020

N= 1677 Adults (Likely Voters) Margin of error: +/- 2.4%

Democratic Primary Run-off Sample, 829 Voters

Margin of error: +/- 3.4%

Survey of Registered Voters in Texas

Do you consider yourself to be a Republican, Democrat, or neither?

Code		Weighted
1	Democrat	39%
2	Republican	42
3	Neither	19
	Total =	1677

[If Republican or Democrat] Do you consider yourself to be a strong [Republican/Democrat] or not strong [Republican/Democrat]?

OR [If independent, no preference, or other party] Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican Party or to the Democratic Party?

Code		Weighted
1	Strong Democrat	25%
2	Not strong Democrat	14
3	Lean Democratic, Independent	6
4	Lean to no Party, Independent	6
5	Lean Republican, Independent	6
6	Not strong Republican	11
7	Strong Republican	31
	Total =	1677

Using a 7-point scale where 1 is extremely liberal and 7 is extremely conservative, how would you rate your political views.

Code		Weighted	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.
1	Extremely Liberal	8%	13%	4%	5%
2	Liberal	14	28	10	4
3	Slightly Liberal	9	15	11	2
4	Moderate, Middle of the Road	26	32	43	14
5	Slightly Conservative	8	5	8	11
6	Conservative	20	4	15	36
7	Extremely Conservative	13	2	6	26
8	Don't Know	2	2	4	1
	Total =	1677	646	316	715

In general, do you approve or disapprove of the way your local leaders (Mayor and County Judge) are handling the coronavirus outbreak?

Code		Weighted	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.
1	Strongly Approve	26%	30%	17%	27%
2	Approve	37	31	37	45
3	Neither	13	15	17	9
4	Disapprove	13	13	14	13
5	Strongly Disapprove	10	11	15	7
	Total =	1677	646	316	715

In general, do you approve or disapprove of the way Governor Greg Abbott is handing his job as Governor?

Code		Weighted	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.
1	Strongly Approve	28%	12%	17%	48%
2	Approve	27	19	24	35
3	Neither	13	17	19	7
4	Disapprove	14	21	15	7
5	Strongly Disapprove	18	31	24	3
	Total =	1677	646	316	715

In general, do you approve or disapprove of the way Governor Greg Abbott is handing the coronavirus?

Code		Weighted	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.
1	Strongly Approve	22%	12%	15%	34%
2	Approve	27	16	26	38
3	Neither	10	10	11	11
4	Disapprove	18	25	20	11
5	Strongly Disapprove	22	38	29	5
	Total =	1677	646	316	715

In general, do you approve or disapprove of the way Lt. Governor Dan Patrick is handling his job as Lieutenant Governor?

Code		Weighted	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.
1	Strongly Approve	18%	4%	14%	33%
2	Approve	22	10	15	35
3	Neither	22	25	24	19
4	Disapprove	9	12	7	7
5	Strongly Disapprove	29	49	40	6
	Total =	1677	646	316	715

In general, do you approve or disapprove of the way President Donald Trump is handling his job as President?

Code		Weighted	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.
1	Strongly Approve	28%	4%	18%	54%
2	Approve	16	6	12	27
3	Neither	7	5	10	7
4	Disapprove	7	8	7	5
_5	Strongly Disapprove	43	76	52	7
	Total =	1677	646	316	715

In general, do you approve or disapprove of the way President Donald Trump is handling the coronavirus?

Code		Weighted	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.
1	Strongly Approve	24%	6%	12%	46%
2	Approve	17	3	16	29
3	Neither	8	6	11	8
4	Disapprove	7	7	7	8
5	Strongly Disapprove	44	78	54	9
·	Total =	1677	646	316	715

In the 2020 March primary, did you vote in the Democratic primary, Republican primary, or not at all?

Code		Weighted
1	Democratic primary	46%
2	Republican primary	40
9	Did not vote	14
	Total =	1677

[If Voted in Primary] How likely are you to vote in the 2020 July party primary elections?

Code		Weighted	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.
1	Extremely likely	65%	66%	59%	65%
2	Somewhat likely	20	19	20	21
3	Neither Likely or Unlikely	9	8	14	8
4	Unlikely	3	3	4	2
5	Extremely unlikely	3	3	4	3
	Total =	1441	606	221	614

[If Yes to voting in Primary] How comfortable would you feel voting early-in-person or at a precinct if the coronavirus is a threat during the run-off election?

Code		Weighted	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.
1	Extremely comfortable	41%	31%	36%	54%
2	Somewhat comfortable	29	27	31	30
3	Neither	11	14	14	7
4	Somewhat uncomfortable	11	17	13	5
5	Extremely uncomfortable	7	11	7	3
	Total =	1441	606	221	614

How are you planning to vote in the run-off election?

Code		Weighted
1	Vote in-person, Election Day	26%
2	Vote in-person, Early	45
3	Request an absentee ballot	15
4	Don't know	14
	Total =	1673

[If Yes to voting in the Democratic Primary or Democrat or Lean Democrat In the runoff elections for the Democratic primary for the United States Senate, who would you vote for?

Code		Weighted	Voted in	African	Hispanic	Women	Bachelors
			Primary	American			and Above
1	M.J. Hegar	35%	33%	22%	28%	30%	39%
2	Royce West	22	23	33	24	24	26
3	Other	11	11	10	15	9	6
4	Undecided	32	33	35	34	37	29
	Total =	829	748	191	218	511	439

If the general election for U.S. Senate were held today, for whom would you vote?

Code		Weighted	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.
1	John Cornyn	42%	15%	35%	72%
2	M.J. Hegar	29	66	34	7
3	Other	5	6	10	3
4	Undecided	22	28	21	17
	Total =	1673	646	314	713

If the general election for U.S. Senate were held today, for whom would you vote?

Code		Weighted	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.
1	John Cornyn	43%	13%	39%	72%
2	Royce West	28	52	28	6
3	Other	6	6	8	4
4	Undecided	23	28	24	18
	Total =	1673	646	314	713

If the general election were today, would you vote for the Democratic or Republican candidate for the Texas State House?

Code		July
1	Democratic	52
2	Republican	47
	Total =	1673

If the general election for president were held today, for whom would you vote?

Code		Weighted	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.
1	Donald Trump	43%	4%	29%	85%
2	Joe Biden	48	87	53	9
3	Other	4	3	9	2
4	Undecided	5	5	9	4
	Total =	1673	646	314	713

Has the federal government's response to coronavirus and the protests caused you to reconsider who you will vote for to be President in November?

Code		Weighted	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.
3	A great deal	21%	27%	19%	16%
2	Fair amount	16	17	19	12
1	Not too much	16	14	16	16
0	Not at all	46	39	42	54
8	Don't know	4	3	4	2
	Total =	1673	646	314	713

Has the federal government's response to coronavirus and the protests caused you to reconsider who you will vote for in the Senate Race in November?

Code		Weighted	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.
3	A great deal	19%	24%	20%	14%
2	Fair amount	16	20	15	14
1	Not too much	17	16	19	17
0	Not at all	45	36	43	53
8	Don't know	5	4	3	2
	Total =	1673	646	314	713

Do you have a favorable, unfavorable or neutral view of the Black Lives Matter movement?

Code		Weighted	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.
2	Favorable	43%	72%	42%	17%
1	Neutral	23	22	25	23
0	Unfavorable	34	6	33	60
'	Total =	1632	627	309	696

Do you have a favorable, unfavorable or neutral view of Empower Texas?

Code		Weighted	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.
2	Favorable	19%	21%	11%	21%
1	Neutral	67	66	74	63
0	Unfavorable	14	12	15	16
	Total =	1630	626	310	694

Do you have a favorable, unfavorable or neutral view of the Tea Party?

Code		Weighted	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.
2	Favorable	35%	11%	22%	33%
1	Neutral	43	38	33	51
0	Unfavorable	23	51	44	16
'	Total =	1627	625	309	693

Do you have a favorable, unfavorable or neutral view of the National Rifle Association?

Cod	e	Weighted	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.
2	Favorable	35%	12%	27%	57%
1	Neutral	32	29	31	34
0	Unfavorable	34	59	42	9
	Total =	1628	626	309	693

Do you have a favorable, unfavorable or neutral view of the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC)?

Code		Weighted	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.
2	Favorable	31%	52%	24%	15%
1	Neutral	50	41	58	56
0	Unfavorable	18	7	18	29
	Total =	1632	626	310	696

Do you have a favorable, unfavorable or neutral view of Socialism?

Code	,	Weighted	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.
2	Favorable	15%	24%	15%	8%
1	Neutral	34	52	36	17
0	Unfavorable	51	25	50	75
	Total =	1631	626	309	696

Demographic Questions

What do you identify as your racial or ethnic background?

Code		Weighted
1	White, Non-Hispanic	61%
2	Hispanic or Latino	20
3	Black or African American	14
4	Asian	3
5	American Indian	1
7	Other	2
8	More than Two Races	1
	Total =	1677

[If Hispanic] What is the origin of the ethnicity background?

Code		Weighted
1	Mexican, Mexican American	77%
2	Puerto Rican	7
3	Cuban	4
4	Other	13
	Total =	309

How many generations has your family been in America?

	Weighted	Hispanic
One	10%	18%
Two	11	29
Three	17	29
Four or more	62	24
Total =	1677	309

What is the highest level of education you have attained?

Code		Weighted
1	High school or less, no college	20%
2	High school graduation, some college	28
3	Completed Associate's Degree	14
4	Completed Bachelor's Degree	24
5	Graduate or Professional Degree/Coursework	15
	Total =	1677

What is your age?

Code		Weighted
1	18-24	8%
2	25-34	16
3	35-44	15
4	45-64	35
5	65+	23
	Total =	1677

What is your marital status?

Code		Weighted
1	Married	53%
2	Divorced/Separated	13
4	Single	28
5	Widowed	6
	Total =	1677

What is your gender?

		Weighted
0	Male	51%
1	Female	49
	Total =	1677

Methodology

The Dallas Morning News/UT Tyler Poll reflects a statewide random sample of 1,677 likely voters during the eight days between June 29 and July 7. The likely voters are identified from the larger set of registered voters that took the survey based on answers given in the survey about past voter participation and informed opinions about the Texas Senate race. The mixed mode sample includes 129 registered voters who were surveyed by the Center for Opinion Research over the phone and 1780 registered voters that were randomly selected from a panel of registered voters that are contacted to take surveys by the Dynata. The online and phone surveys were conducted in English and Spanish.

The data were weighted to be representative of the Texas register voter population. Iterative weighting was used to balance sample demographics to the state population parameters, specifically the estimated gender, age, race/ethnicity, and education of registered voters in the state using an iterated process known as raking. These parameters were derived from 2018 Current Population Survey to reflect Texas's electorate. The use of these weights in statistical analysis ensures that the characteristics of the sample closely reflect the characteristics of registered voters in Texas. This was done separately for the probability phone sample and the online sample, before one weight was generated by standardizing the non-probability online sample with the probability phone sample (see Elliott 2009).

In this poll, the sampling error for 1,677 registered voters in Texas is +/- 2.4 percentage points at a 95 percent confidence interval. The survey's design asked additional questions to 829 registered voters who indicated they voted in the Democratic Primary (margin of error of +/- 3.4%).

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