

## National Tracking Poll

Project: 2111092

N Size: 2199 Adults

Margin of Error:  $\pm 2\%$

November 16-19, 2021

### Topline Report

Question	Response	Frequency	Percentage
BPC1_1	<i>Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements? People should feel comfortable expressing views others may disagree with</i>		
	Strongly agree	1157	53%
	Somewhat agree	776	35%
	Somewhat disagree	87	4%
	Strongly disagree	45	2%
	Don't know/No opinion	135	6%
BPC1_2	<i>Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements? People should speak with care when expressing their personal views so everyone feels included</i>		
	Strongly agree	670	30%
	Somewhat agree	823	37%
	Somewhat disagree	331	15%
	Strongly disagree	177	8%
	Don't know/No opinion	198	9%
BPC1_3	<i>Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements? It is important for people to hear a diversity of political opinions and viewpoints</i>		
	Strongly agree	1130	51%
	Somewhat agree	731	33%
	Somewhat disagree	120	5%
	Strongly disagree	51	2%
	Don't know/No opinion	167	8%
BPC1_4	<i>Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements? Some opinions and ideas are too provocative to be discussed openly</i>		
	Strongly agree	385	18%
	Somewhat agree	753	34%
	Somewhat disagree	437	20%
	Strongly disagree	377	17%
	Don't know/No opinion	246	11%

Question	Response	Frequency	Percentage
BPC1_5	<i>Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements? It is important education institutions create environments where a diversity of viewpoints are expressed</i>		
	Strongly agree	1151	52%
	Somewhat agree	692	31%
	Somewhat disagree	120	5%
	Strongly disagree	54	2%
	Don't know/No opinion	182	8%
BPC2_1	<i>In your opinion, how much do you trust, if at all, the following to have an environment where people feel comfortable expressing their beliefs, thoughts, ideas, and emotions about different issues? Large businesses</i>		
	A lot	235	11%
	Some	772	35%
	Not much	613	28%
	Not at all	313	14%
	Don't know/No opinion	266	12%
BPC2_2	<i>In your opinion, how much do you trust, if at all, the following to have an environment where people feel comfortable expressing their beliefs, thoughts, ideas, and emotions about different issues? Small businesses</i>		
	A lot	478	22%
	Some	1027	47%
	Not much	329	15%
	Not at all	99	5%
	Don't know/No opinion	266	12%
BPC2_3	<i>In your opinion, how much do you trust, if at all, the following to have an environment where people feel comfortable expressing their beliefs, thoughts, ideas, and emotions about different issues? The federal government</i>		
	A lot	339	15%
	Some	611	28%
	Not much	541	25%
	Not at all	503	23%
	Don't know/No opinion	205	9%
BPC2_4	<i>In your opinion, how much do you trust, if at all, the following to have an environment where people feel comfortable expressing their beliefs, thoughts, ideas, and emotions about different issues? Your state government</i>		
	A lot	390	18%
	Some	721	33%
	Not much	507	23%
	Not at all	354	16%
	Don't know/No opinion	227	10%

Question	Response	Frequency	Percentage
BPC2_5	<i>In your opinion, how much do you trust, if at all, the following to have an environment where people feel comfortable expressing their beliefs, thoughts, ideas, and emotions about different issues? Your city council</i>		
	A lot	343	16%
	Some	819	37%
	Not much	488	22%
	Not at all	256	12%
	Don't know/No opinion	293	13%
BPC2_6	<i>In your opinion, how much do you trust, if at all, the following to have an environment where people feel comfortable expressing their beliefs, thoughts, ideas, and emotions about different issues? Your local school board</i>		
	A lot	325	15%
	Some	819	37%
	Not much	474	22%
	Not at all	265	12%
	Don't know/No opinion	316	14%
BPC2_7	<i>In your opinion, how much do you trust, if at all, the following to have an environment where people feel comfortable expressing their beliefs, thoughts, ideas, and emotions about different issues? Places of worship</i>		
	A lot	613	28%
	Some	693	32%
	Not much	351	16%
	Not at all	268	12%
	Don't know/No opinion	273	12%
BPC2_8	<i>In your opinion, how much do you trust, if at all, the following to have an environment where people feel comfortable expressing their beliefs, thoughts, ideas, and emotions about different issues? Your employer (N=979)</i>		
	A lot	287	29%
	Some	381	39%
	Not much	158	16%
	Not at all	75	8%
	Don't know/No opinion	77	8%
BPC2_9	<i>In your opinion, how much do you trust, if at all, the following to have an environment where people feel comfortable expressing their beliefs, thoughts, ideas, and emotions about different issues? Colleges and universities (N=1,106)</i>		
	A lot	220	20%
	Some	477	43%
	Not much	174	16%
	Not at all	116	11%
	Don't know/No opinion	118	11%

Question	Response	Frequency	Percentage
BPC2_10	<i>In your opinion, how much do you trust, if at all, the following to have an environment where people feel comfortable expressing their beliefs, thoughts, ideas, and emotions about different issues? Colleges and universities in my state (N=1,093)</i>		
	A lot	215	20%
	Some	436	40%
	Not much	175	16%
	Not at all	104	10%
	Don't know/No opinion	162	15%
BPC3_1	<i>Generally speaking, would you say that the following are going in the right direction, or have they gotten off on the wrong track having an environment where people feel comfortable expressing their beliefs, thoughts, ideas, and emotions about different issues? Large businesses</i>		
	Right direction	678	31%
	Wrong track	813	37%
	Don't know/No opinion	707	32%
BPC3_2	<i>Generally speaking, would you say that the following are going in the right direction, or have they gotten off on the wrong track having an environment where people feel comfortable expressing their beliefs, thoughts, ideas, and emotions about different issues? Small businesses</i>		
	Right direction	1233	56%
	Wrong track	319	14%
	Don't know/No opinion	648	29%
BPC3_3	<i>Generally speaking, would you say that the following are going in the right direction, or have they gotten off on the wrong track having an environment where people feel comfortable expressing their beliefs, thoughts, ideas, and emotions about different issues? The federal government</i>		
	Right direction	615	28%
	Wrong track	1183	54%
	Don't know/No opinion	401	18%
BPC3_4	<i>Generally speaking, would you say that the following are going in the right direction, or have they gotten off on the wrong track having an environment where people feel comfortable expressing their beliefs, thoughts, ideas, and emotions about different issues? Your state government</i>		
	Right direction	758	34%
	Wrong track	989	45%
	Don't know/No opinion	452	21%

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BPC3_5	<i>Generally speaking, would you say that the following are going in the right direction, or have they gotten off on the wrong track having an environment where people feel comfortable expressing their beliefs, thoughts, ideas, and emotions about different issues? Places of worship</i>		
	Right direction	945	43%
	Wrong track	527	24%
	Don't know/No opinion	727	33%
BPC3_6	<i>Generally speaking, would you say that the following are going in the right direction, or have they gotten off on the wrong track having an environment where people feel comfortable expressing their beliefs, thoughts, ideas, and emotions about different issues? Your employer (N=979)</i>		
	Right direction	594	61%
	Wrong track	196	20%
	Don't know/No opinion	189	19%
BPC3_7	<i>Generally speaking, would you say that the following are going in the right direction, or have they gotten off on the wrong track having an environment where people feel comfortable expressing their beliefs, thoughts, ideas, and emotions about different issues? Colleges and universities (N=1,106)</i>		
	Right direction	463	42%
	Wrong track	322	29%
	Don't know/No opinion	320	29%
BPC3_8	<i>Generally speaking, would you say that the following are going in the right direction, or have they gotten off on the wrong track having an environment where people feel comfortable expressing their beliefs, thoughts, ideas, and emotions about different issues? Colleges and universities in my state (N=1,093)</i>		
	Right direction	468	43%
	Wrong track	286	26%
	Don't know/No opinion	338	31%
BPC4	<i>How often, if at all, do you have a conversation with people who have a different political view than you?</i>		
	Very often	365	17%
	Somewhat often	738	34%
	Not too often	679	31%
	Not often at all	281	13%
	Don't know/No opinion	135	6%

Question	Response	Frequency	Percentage
BPC5_1	<i>In general, how comfortable or uncomfortable do you feel expressing the following types of views on social media? Religious views</i>		
	Very comfortable	554	25%
	Somewhat comfortable	490	22%
	Somewhat uncomfortable	373	17%
	Very uncomfortable	390	18%
	Don't know/No opinion	392	18%
BPC5_2	<i>In general, how comfortable or uncomfortable do you feel expressing the following types of views on social media? Political views</i>		
	Very comfortable	460	21%
	Somewhat comfortable	546	25%
	Somewhat uncomfortable	399	18%
	Very uncomfortable	467	21%
	Don't know/No opinion	327	15%
BPC5_3	<i>In general, how comfortable or uncomfortable do you feel expressing the following types of views on social media? Views on cultural and social issues</i>		
	Very comfortable	526	24%
	Somewhat comfortable	619	28%
	Somewhat uncomfortable	357	16%
	Very uncomfortable	355	16%
	Don't know/No opinion	342	16%
BPC6_1	<i>In general, how comfortable or uncomfortable do you feel expressing the following types of views in the workplace? Religious views (N=979)</i>		
	Very comfortable	239	24%
	Somewhat comfortable	243	25%
	Somewhat uncomfortable	178	18%
	Very uncomfortable	210	21%
	Don't know/No opinion	109	11%
BPC6_2	<i>In general, how comfortable or uncomfortable do you feel expressing the following types of views in the workplace? Political views (N=979)</i>		
	Very comfortable	217	22%
	Somewhat comfortable	269	28%
	Somewhat uncomfortable	191	20%
	Very uncomfortable	213	22%
	Don't know/No opinion	89	9%

Question	Response	Frequency	Percentage
BPC6_3	<i>In general, how comfortable or uncomfortable do you feel expressing the following types of views in the workplace? Views on cultural and social issues (N=979)</i>		
	Very comfortable	250	26%
	Somewhat comfortable	305	31%
	Somewhat uncomfortable	162	17%
	Very uncomfortable	166	17%
	Don't know/No opinion	95	10%
BPC7_1	<i>In general, how comfortable or uncomfortable do you feel expressing the following types of views at your college or university in the classroom? Religious views (N=186)</i>		
	Very comfortable	72	39%
	Somewhat comfortable	56	30%
	Somewhat uncomfortable	28	15%
	Very uncomfortable	13	7%
	Don't know/No opinion	17	9%
BPC7_2	<i>In general, how comfortable or uncomfortable do you feel expressing the following types of views at your college or university in the classroom? Political views (N=186)</i>		
	Very comfortable	74	40%
	Somewhat comfortable	60	32%
	Somewhat uncomfortable	19	10%
	Very uncomfortable	21	11%
	Don't know/No opinion	12	6%
BPC7_3	<i>In general, how comfortable or uncomfortable do you feel expressing the following types of views at your college or university in the classroom? Views on cultural and social issues (N=186)</i>		
	Very comfortable	75	40%
	Somewhat comfortable	69	37%
	Somewhat uncomfortable	17	9%
	Very uncomfortable	12	6%
	Don't know/No opinion	14	7%
BPC9_1	<i>In your opinion, how important or unimportant is it that colleges and universities teach the following to students? The ability to converse with people you disagree with</i>		
	Very important	1304	59%
	Somewhat important	539	24%
	Somewhat unimportant	100	5%
	Very unimportant	63	3%
	Don't know/No opinion	193	9%

Question	Response	Frequency	Percentage
BPC9_2	<i>In your opinion, how important or unimportant is it that colleges and universities teach the following to students? Think independently</i>		
	Very important	1511	69%
	Somewhat important	412	19%
	Somewhat unimportant	51	2%
	Very unimportant	63	3%
	Don't know/No opinion	162	7%
BPC9_3	<i>In your opinion, how important or unimportant is it that colleges and universities teach the following to students? The ability to confidently share your opinion with people you disagree with</i>		
	Very important	1225	56%
	Somewhat important	628	29%
	Somewhat unimportant	109	5%
	Very unimportant	56	3%
	Don't know/No opinion	181	8%
BPC9_4	<i>In your opinion, how important or unimportant is it that colleges and universities teach the following to students? Knowledge of U.S. history</i>		
	Very important	1347	61%
	Somewhat important	509	23%
	Somewhat unimportant	113	5%
	Very unimportant	72	3%
	Don't know/No opinion	158	7%
BPC9_5	<i>In your opinion, how important or unimportant is it that colleges and universities teach the following to students? Familiarity with a variety of viewpoints including liberal, moderate, and conservative philosophies</i>		
	Very important	1146	52%
	Somewhat important	657	30%
	Somewhat unimportant	123	6%
	Very unimportant	64	3%
	Don't know/No opinion	209	9%
BPC9_6	<i>In your opinion, how important or unimportant is it that colleges and universities teach the following to students? The ability to work with a diverse range of people</i>		
	Very important	1363	62%
	Somewhat important	514	23%
	Somewhat unimportant	76	3%
	Very unimportant	80	4%
	Don't know/No opinion	165	8%



Question	Response	Frequency	Percentage
BPC10_1 <i>In your opinion, how would you rate how colleges and universities are doing generally at teaching the following to students? The ability to converse with people you disagree with</i>	Excellent	316	14%
	Good	679	31%
	Fair	456	21%
	Poor	412	19%
	Don't know/No opinion	335	15%
	BPC10_2 <i>In your opinion, how would you rate how colleges and universities are doing generally at teaching the following to students? Think independently</i>	Excellent	489
Good		709	32%
Fair		352	16%
Poor		354	16%
Don't know/No opinion		295	13%
BPC10_3 <i>In your opinion, how would you rate how colleges and universities are doing generally at teaching the following to students? The ability to confidently share your opinion with people you disagree with</i>		Excellent	315
	Good	703	32%
	Fair	456	21%
	Poor	379	17%
	Don't know/No opinion	346	16%
	BPC10_4 <i>In your opinion, how would you rate how colleges and universities are doing generally at teaching the following to students? Knowledge of U.S. history</i>	Excellent	328
Good		648	29%
Fair		493	22%
Poor		413	19%
Don't know/No opinion		317	14%
BPC10_5 <i>In your opinion, how would you rate how colleges and universities are doing generally at teaching the following to students? Familiarity with a variety of viewpoints including liberal, moderate, and conservative philosophies</i>		Excellent	331
	Good	679	31%
	Fair	440	20%
	Poor	393	18%
	Don't know/No opinion	356	16%

Question	Response	Frequency	Percentage
BPC10_6	<i>In your opinion, how would you rate how colleges and universities are doing generally at teaching the following to students? The ability to work with a diverse range of people</i>		
	Excellent	451	21%
	Good	746	34%
	Fair	406	18%
	Poor	284	13%
	Don't know/No opinion	311	14%
BPC11_1	<i>Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements? Colleges and universities should be able to restrict words and language they deem harmful to students</i>		
	Strongly agree	481	22%
	Somewhat agree	606	28%
	Somewhat disagree	381	17%
	Strongly disagree	447	20%
	Don't know/No opinion	285	13%
BPC11_2	<i>Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements? Colleges and universities should be a place where students learn about how liberals, moderates, and conservatives think about social and political issues</i>		
	Strongly agree	920	42%
	Somewhat agree	739	34%
	Somewhat disagree	204	9%
	Strongly disagree	91	4%
	Don't know/No opinion	245	11%
BPC11_3	<i>Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements? Some ideas are hateful and should not be discussed on a college campus</i>		
	Strongly agree	467	21%
	Somewhat agree	639	29%
	Somewhat disagree	441	20%
	Strongly disagree	359	16%
	Don't know/No opinion	293	13%
BPC11_4	<i>Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements? It is essential that colleges and university foster environments where there is a diversity of viewpoints</i>		
	Strongly agree	1131	51%
	Somewhat agree	699	32%
	Somewhat disagree	116	5%
	Strongly disagree	48	2%
	Don't know/No opinion	205	9%

Question	Response	Frequency	Percentage
BPCdem1	<i>Are you currently enrolled in college or university pursuing an undergraduate degree, and if not, do you expect to be enrolled in the next two years?</i>		
	Yes, currently enrolled and pursuing an undergraduate degree	186	8%
	Yes, expect to be enrolled and pursuing an undergraduate degree in the next 2 years	155	7%
	No	1858	84%
BPCdem2	<i>Which of the following best describes the institution you graduated from or plan to graduate from? (N=1,101)</i>		
	A public university	494	45%
	A private university	243	22%
	A community college	153	14%
	Other, please specify	32	3%
	Don't know/No opinion	179	16%

*Note:* Group proportions may total to larger than one-hundred percent due to rounding. All statistics are calculated for registered voters with demographic post-stratification weights applied.

## Respondent Demographics Summary

### Summary Statistics of Survey Respondent Demographics

Demographic	Group	Frequency	Percentage
xdemAll	Adults	2199	100%
xdemGender	Gender: Male	1061	48%
	Gender: Female	1138	52%
	N	2199	
age	Age: 18-34	655	30%
	Age: 35-44	357	16%
	Age: 45-64	751	34%
	Age: 65+	436	20%
	N	2199	
demAgeGeneration	GenZers: 1997-2012	209	9%
	Millennials: 1981-1996	673	31%
	GenXers: 1965-1980	512	23%
	Baby Boomers: 1946-1964	724	33%
	N	2117	
xpid3	PID: Dem (no lean)	872	40%
	PID: Ind (no lean)	643	29%
	PID: Rep (no lean)	684	31%
	N	2199	
xpidGender	PID/Gender: Dem Men	395	18%
	PID/Gender: Dem Women	320	15%
	PID/Gender: Ind Men	347	16%
	PID/Gender: Ind Women	477	22%
	PID/Gender: Rep Men	324	15%
	PID/Gender: Rep Women	337	15%
	N	2199	
xdemIdeo3	Ideo: Liberal (1-3)	640	29%
	Ideo: Moderate (4)	626	28%
	Ideo: Conservative (5-7)	691	31%
	N	1958	
xeduc3	Educ: < College	1511	69%
	Educ: Bachelors degree	444	20%
	Educ: Post-grad	244	11%
	N	2199	

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Demographic	Group	Frequency	Percentage
xdemInc3	Income: Under 50k	1198	54%
	Income: 50k-100k	670	30%
	Income: 100k+	331	15%
	N	2199	
xdemWhite	Ethnicity: White	1721	78%
xdemHispBin	Ethnicity: Hispanic	349	16%
demBlackBin	Ethnicity: Black	274	12%
demRaceOther	Ethnicity: Other	204	9%
xdemReligion	All Christian	1015	46%
	All Non-Christian	106	5%
	Atheist	102	5%
	Agnostic/Nothing in particular	598	27%
	Something Else	378	17%
	N	2199	
xdemReligOther	Religious Non-Protestant/Catholic	121	6%
xdemEvang	Evangelical	567	26%
	Non-Evangelical	792	36%
	N	1359	
xdemUsr	Community: Urban	639	29%
	Community: Suburban	993	45%
	Community: Rural	567	26%
	N	2199	
xdemEmploy	Employ: Private Sector	652	30%
	Employ: Government	139	6%
	Employ: Self-Employed	188	9%
	Employ: Homemaker	188	9%
	Employ: Student	65	3%
	Employ: Retired	550	25%
	Employ: Unemployed	266	12%
	Employ: Other	151	7%
	N	2199	
xdemMilHH1	Military HH: Yes	299	14%
	Military HH: No	1900	86%
	N	2199	

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Demographic	Group	Frequency	Percentage
xnr1	RD/WT: Right Direction	863	39%
	RD/WT: Wrong Track	1336	61%
	N	2199	
xdemBidenApprove	Biden Job Approve	1012	46%
	Biden Job Disapprove	1072	49%
	N	2084	
xdemBidenApprove2	Biden Job Strongly Approve	479	22%
	Biden Job Somewhat Approve	533	24%
	Biden Job Somewhat Disapprove	284	13%
	Biden Job Strongly Disapprove	788	36%
	N	2084	
xdemBidenFav	Favorable of Biden	1008	46%
	Unfavorable of Biden	1059	48%
	N	2067	
xdemBidenFavFull	Very Favorable of Biden	512	23%
	Somewhat Favorable of Biden	496	23%
	Somewhat Unfavorable of Biden	267	12%
	Very Unfavorable of Biden	791	36%
	N	2067	
xnr3	#1 Issue: Economy	832	38%
	#1 Issue: Security	283	13%
	#1 Issue: Health Care	298	14%
	#1 Issue: Medicare / Social Security	271	12%
	#1 Issue: Women's Issues	121	6%
	#1 Issue: Education	99	4%
	#1 Issue: Energy	145	7%
	#1 Issue: Other	149	7%
	N	2199	
xsubVote20O	2020 Vote: Joe Biden	980	45%
	2020 Vote: Donald Trump	734	33%
	2020 Vote: Other	66	3%
	2020 Vote: Didn't Vote	413	19%
	N	2193	
xsubVote18O	2018 House Vote: Democrat	752	34%
	2018 House Vote: Republican	615	28%
	2018 House Vote: Someone else	51	2%
	N	1418	

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Demographic	Group	Frequency	Percentage
xsubVote16O	2016 Vote: Hillary Clinton	732	33%
	2016 Vote: Donald Trump	688	31%
	2016 Vote: Other	105	5%
	2016 Vote: Didn't Vote	672	31%
	N	2198	
xsubVote14O	Voted in 2014: Yes	1257	57%
	Voted in 2014: No	942	43%
	N	2199	
xreg4	4-Region: Northeast	393	18%
	4-Region: Midwest	462	21%
	4-Region: South	824	37%
	4-Region: West	520	24%
	N	2199	
BPCxdem1	Currently Enrolled College/University Student	186	8%
	Prospective College/University Student	155	7%
	N	341	
BPCxdem2	Graduated: Associates Degree or Higher	894	41%
BPCxdem3	Public University Student/Alumni	494	22%
	Private University Student/Alumni	243	11%
	Community College Student/Alumni	153	7%
	N	890	
BPCxdem4	Often Has Conversations with People of Opposing Views	1103	50%
	Does not Often Have Conversations with People of Opposing Views	960	44%
	N	2064	

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