

Base: All Qualified Respondents

US REGION: Census Region (US Net)

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Northeast	356 18% BC	-	-
Midwest	407 20% B	-	809 100% AB
South	768 38% C	813 100% AC	-
West	482 24% BC	-	-
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

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DMGENM. Do you currently describe yourself as...? Please select all that apply.

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Male	960 48%	396 49%	392 48%
Female	1043 52%	410 50%	410 51%
Non-binary	11 1%	3	2
Gender non-conforming	-	1	3
I identify as	-	1	1
Prefer not to answer	3	6 1% A	3
Sigma	2017 100%	816 100%	811 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

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DMHISPUS. Are you of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin?

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Yes	336 17% BC	88 11%	73 9%
No	1677 83%	725 89% A	736 91% A
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

NET2RACEMUS. Race-Multi (US Net 2 for RPR)

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
White Only (Not Hispanic)	1248 62% B	410 50% B	470 58% B
People of Color	765 38%	403 50% AC	339 42%
Hispanic	336 17% BC	88 11%	73 9%
Black Only (Not Hispanic)	243 12%	240 30% AC	164 20% A
Asian Only (Not Hispanic)	131 7%	56 7%	79 10% A
All Other (Not Hispanic)	54 3%	19 2%	23 3%
Sigma	2778 138%	1216 150%	1148 142%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

**Q100. The U.S. Constitution gives parents significant authority to raise their children as they see fit. At the same time, government can and does impose restrictions on parenting to ensure the well-being of all children, including child labor laws, minimum schooling requirements, and required childhood vaccinations.**

**In your opinion, in balancing parents' authority with the government's interest in ensuring the well-being of children, should our country...? Please select one.**

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
<b>FAVORS PARENTAL AUTHORITY (NET)</b>	<b>1170</b>	<b>474</b>	<b>489</b>
	58%	58%	60%
1 - Heavily favor parents' authority	471	212	220
	23%	26%	27%
2	286	113	120
	14%	14%	15%
3	413	149	148
	21%	18%	18%
<b>FAVORS ENSURING CHILDREN'S WELL-BEING (NET)</b>	<b>742</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>287</b>
	37%	37%	35%
4	393	137	161
	20%	17%	20%
5	155	68	70
	8%	8%	9%
6 - Heavily favor the government's interest in ensuring children's well-being	194	93	56
	10%	11%	7%
Not sure	101	41	34
	5%	5%	4%
MEAN	3.0	3.0	2.9
STD. DEV.	1.61	1.69	1.58
STD. ERR.	0.04	0.06	0.06
Sigma	2013	813	809
	100%	100%	100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q103. Regardless of whether or not you are a parent, how easy or hard do you think it is to be a parent? On a scale of 1 to 6 where 1 = "It's an easy job" and 6 = "It's the toughest job out there," where do you think parenting falls?

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
EASY JOB (NET)	165 8%	74 9%	51 6%
1 - It's an easy job	31 2%	20 2%	8 1%
2	32 2%	17 2%	11 1%
3	102 5%	37 4%	32 4%
HARD JOB (NET)	1795 89%	728 89%	729 90%
4	288 14%	134 17%	133 16%
5	648 32% B	201 25%	232 29%
6 - It's the toughest job out there	859 43%	392 48% A	364 45%
Not sure	54 3%	12 1%	29 4%
MEAN	5.1	5.1	5.1
STD. DEV.	1.09	1.19	1.04
STD. ERR.	0.02	0.04	0.04
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q200. Which of the following factors do you think are significant contributors to why child abuse or neglect occurs? Please select all that apply.

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SUMMARY TABLE OF CHILD ABUSE

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Parents with ill intent or a desire to harm their child	1644 82%	634 78%	652 81%
Parents who use drugs or alcohol	1501 75%	595 73%	587 73%
Generational trauma or patterns (i.e., parents were victims of abuse/neglect themselves as children and the pattern continues)	1465 73%	568 70%	595 74%
Parents with untreated or unresolved mental illness	1320 66%	517 64%	543 67%
Parents who don't want to care for their child	1164 58%	486 60%	454 56%
Parents facing significant stress	945 47%	359 44%	378 47%
Unpreparedness for parenthood/unplanned pregnancy	747 37%	289 36%	306 38%
Parents who are uninformed or uneducated about how to parent	709 35%	299 37%	284 35%
Parents' lack of financial resources	468 23%	212 26% C	164 20%
Insufficient community supports	436 22%	178 22%	157 19%
Lack of access to child care	419 21%	175 21%	163 20%
Lack of access to affordable housing	390 19%	166 20%	149 18%
Something else	244 12%	99 12%	91 11%
Not sure	92 5%	50 6%	42 5%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q200. Which of the following factors do you think are significant contributors to why child abuse or neglect occurs? Please select all that apply.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

SUMMARY TABLE OF CHILD NEGLECT

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Parents who don't want to care for their child	1453 72% B	542 67%	562 69%
Parents who use drugs or alcohol	1382 69% B	477 59%	566 70% B
Parents who are uninformed or uneducated about how to parent	1304 65%	494 61%	547 68% B
Parents with untreated or unresolved mental illness	1299 65%	493 61%	512 63%
Parents' lack of financial resources	1298 64%	514 63%	509 63%
Unpreparedness for parenthood/unplanned pregnancy	1272 63%	504 62%	533 66%
Lack of access to child care	1202 60%	491 60%	457 57%
Parents facing significant stress	1180 59% B	431 53%	479 59%
Lack of access to affordable housing	1171 58%	459 56%	473 58%
Insufficient community supports	1050 52%	405 50%	426 53%
Generational trauma or patterns (i.e., parents were victims of abuse/neglect themselves as children and the pattern continues)	1048 52%	390 48%	403 50%
Parents with ill intent or a desire to harm their child	812 40%	301 37%	298 37%
Something else	330 16%	117 14%	128 16%
Not sure	101 5%	70 9% A	57 7%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.



Q205. And, which of these factors in cases of abuse and neglect do you think is typically the primary cause? Please select one per column.

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Base: Identified Contributors To Abuse / Neglect

SUMMARY TABLE OF CHILD ABUSE

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	1914	757	763
Weighted Base	1921	763	767
Parents with ill intent or a desire to harm their child	540 28%	225 30%	220 29%
Generational trauma or patterns (i.e., parents were victims of abuse/neglect themselves as children and the pattern continues)	431 22%	179 23%	167 22%
Parents who use drugs or alcohol	331 17%	103 14%	127 16%
Parents with untreated or unresolved mental illness	181 9%	65 8%	77 10%
Parents who don't want to care for their child	148 8%	78 10%	56 7%
Parents facing significant stress	70 4%	14 2%	25 3%
Unpreparedness for parenthood/unplanned pregnancy	58 3%	19 2%	21 3%
Parents who are uninformed or uneducated about how to parent	43 2%	23 3%	27 4%
Parents' lack of financial resources	37 2%	25 3%	16 2%
Lack of access to child care	31 2%	16 2%	10 1%
Lack of access to affordable housing	20 1%	2	5 1%
Insufficient community supports	18 1%	5 1%	9 1%
Something else	14 1%	8 1%	8 1%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q205. And, which of these factors in cases of abuse and neglect do you think is typically the primary cause? Please select one per column.

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Base: Identified Contributors To Abuse / Neglect

SUMMARY TABLE OF CHILD NEGLECT

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	1900	745	747
Weighted Base	1912	743	752
Parents who don't want to care for their child	440 23%	195 26% C	150 20%
Parents who use drugs or alcohol	302 16% B	86 12%	139 18% B
Parents' lack of financial resources	200 10%	64 9%	61 8%
Parents who are uninformed or uneducated about how to parent	162 8%	72 10%	94 12% A
Unpreparedness for parenthood/unplanned pregnancy	155 8%	81 11%	58 8%
Generational trauma or patterns (i.e., parents were victims of abuse/neglect themselves as children and the pattern continues)	150 8%	67 9%	69 9%
Parents with untreated or unresolved mental illness	123 6%	53 7%	46 6%
Parents facing significant stress	103 5%	23 3%	37 5%
Lack of access to child care	86 4%	31 4%	22 3%
Parents with ill intent or a desire to harm their child	76 4%	21 3%	26 3%
Lack of access to affordable housing	52 3%	24 3%	24 3%
Insufficient community supports	49 3%	16 2%	18 2%
Something else	15 1%	11 1%	10 1%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q210. In your opinion, when do situations of poverty (i.e., the state or condition in which one lacks the financial resources and essentials for a certain standard of living) put a child sufficiently at risk for abuse or neglect to warrant government intervention?

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
NECESSITIES (NET)	852 42%	358 44%	365 45%
ESSENTIALS (SUBNET)	678 34%	282 35%	294 36%
Starvation/Hunger/Lack of food	562 28%	226 28%	224 28%
Lack of resources/necessities	136 7%	72 9%	88 11% A
Lack of clothing/Old clothing	107 5%	41 5%	48 6%
Lack of water/clean water	18 1%	23 3% A	16 2%
Lack of heat/electricity	18 1%	11 1%	8 1%
HOUSING (SUBNET)	299 15%	131 16%	108 13%
Shelter/Housing issues	182 9%	73 9%	73 9%
Homelessness/Being homeless	114 6%	57 7%	36 4%
Other housing mentions	9 *	7 1%	* *
EDUCATION (SUBNET)	122 6%	33 4%	42 5%
Lack of access to education/child education	108 5%	25 3%	34 4%
Lack of education for parents	7 *	5 1%	4 1%
Other education mentions	10 1%	4 *	4 1%
UNEMPLOYMENT (SUBNET)	79 4%	35 4%	53 7% A
Lack of jobs/Unemployment	37 2%	20 3%	27 3%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q210. In your opinion, when do situations of poverty (i.e., the state or condition in which one lacks the financial resources and essentials for a certain standard of living) put a child sufficiently at risk for abuse or neglect to warrant government intervention?

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Working parents/Parent doing multiple jobs at a time	36 2%	13 2%	25 3%
Other unemployment mentions	9	3	1
Other necessity mentions	12 1%	4	9 1%
SUPPORT/CARE (NET)	387 19%	157 19%	187 23%
Lack of care	108 5%	51 6%	41 5%
Child being ignored/neglected	104 5%	35 4%	57 7%
Left alone/unsupervised	55 3%	17 2%	30 4%
Child's well being at risk/Children not flourishing	54 3%	22 3%	25 3%
Lack of support/Help	41 2%	17 2%	22 3%
Lack of love/affection	14 1%	5 1%	19 2% AB
Lack of community support	4	8 1% A	5 1%
Other support/care mentions	38 2%	16 2%	18 2%
FINANCIAL ISSUES (NET)	309 15%	132 16%	126 16%
Financial crisis/Not enough money	205 10%	104 13%	86 11%
Low family income	43 2%	10 1%	9 1%
Unaffordability	28 1%	11 1%	10 1%
Can't afford childcare	21 1%	10 1%	12 1%
Poor economy/High cost of living	18 1%	1	9 1%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q210. In your opinion, when do situations of poverty (i.e., the state or condition in which one lacks the financial resources and essentials for a certain standard of living) put a child sufficiently at risk for abuse or neglect to warrant government intervention?

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Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Other financial issue mentions	6*	6 1%	4*
ABUSE (NET)	306 15%	110 14%	134 17%
Abuse (unsp)	121 6%	38 5%	53 7%
Physical abuse	91 5%	30 4%	33 4%
Drug/Alcohol abuse	72 4%	30 4%	36 4%
Mental/emotional abuse	21 1%	4*	9 1%
Addicted parents	10 1%	9 1%	8 1%
Other abuse mentions	41 2%	13 2%	12 1%
ENVIRONMENT (NET)	242 12%	92 11%	114 14%
Unsafe environments	90 4%	51 6%	31 4%
Unhygienic living conditions	80 4%	22 3%	38 5%
Poor/Bad living environment	53 3%	12 1%	37 5% B
Unstable household (single parent, absentee father, fatherless etc.)	12 1%	6 1%	2*
Other environment mentions	28 1%	7 1%	15 2%
MEDICAL ISSUES (NET)	231 11%	67 8%	85 11%
Mental issues of parents (stress, anxiety, etc.)	110 5%	34 4%	43 5%
Lack of medical care	76 4%	29 4%	36 4%
Children facing mental problems (stress, anxiety, etc.)	25 1%	6 1%	3*

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

**Q210. In your opinion, when do situations of poverty (i.e., the state or condition in which one lacks the financial resources and essentials for a certain standard of living) put a child sufficiently at risk for abuse or neglect to warrant government intervention?**

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Other medical issues mentions	24 1%	2 *	5 1%
<b>PARENTING SKILLS (NET)</b>	<b>139 7%</b>	<b>67 8%</b>	<b>55 7%</b>
Bad/selfish parenting/Irresponsible parents	83 4%	34 4%	37 5%
Young parents/Unprepared to be parents	24 1%	5 1%	8 1%
Lack of knowledge on raising kids	12 1%	3 *	2 *
Parents not asking for/using available help/resources	12 1%	9 1%	8 1%
Other parenting skill mentions	12 1%	17 2% AC	3 *
Other mentions	84 4%	31 4%	23 3%
Government should provide support/resources/programs to end poverty	70 3%	33 4%	32 4%
Poverty is/should not be the cause	66 3%	22 3%	26 3%
<b>BEHAVIORAL ISSUES (NET)</b>	<b>41 2%</b>	<b>18 2%</b>	<b>18 2%</b>
Parents resorting to crime (illegal activities etc.)	9 *	5 1%	4 *
Other behavioral issue mentions	32 2%	13 2%	14 2%
Intervention is required immediately/as soon as possible	38 2%	24 3%	21 3%
Only when it is reported/proved	36 2%	7 1%	19 2%
Children should not be removed/separated from parents	15 1%	8 1%	1 *
Bad/worse situation/condition (unsp)	9 *	4 1%	1 *
None/Nothing	29 1%	5 1%	4 1%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q210. In your opinion, when do situations of poverty (i.e., the state or condition in which one lacks the financial resources and essentials for a certain standard of living) put a child sufficiently at risk for abuse or neglect to warrant government intervention?

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Don't know	130 6%	42 5%	36 4%
Decline to answer	82 4%	34 4%	34 4%
Sigma	3703 184%	1485 183%	1578 195%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q215. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

SUMMARY TABLE OF STRONGLY / SOMEWHAT AGREE (NET)

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Parents who have been neglectful can provide safe and nurturing care for their children when they receive needed supports.	1501 75%	567 70%	611 76%
I am more understanding of parents involved in cases of child abuse or neglect if I know they are trying to get help or find a way out of their situation.	1411 70% B	518 64%	576 71% B
I think that most acts of child neglect or abuse are intentional or willful on the parent's part.	1312 65%	554 68%	517 64%
Parents who have been abusive can provide safe and nurturing care for their children when they receive needed supports.	1063 53%	405 50%	438 54%
I think that most acts of child neglect or abuse usually aren't the parent's fault, but rather a product of unfortunate circumstances.	622 31%	256 32%	280 35%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.



Q215. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

SUMMARY TABLE OF STRONGLY AGREE

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
I am more understanding of parents involved in cases of child abuse or neglect if I know they are trying to get help or find a way out of their situation.	454 23% C	160 20%	134 17%
Parents who have been neglectful can provide safe and nurturing care for their children when they receive needed supports.	426 21%	199 24%	160 20%
I think that most acts of child neglect or abuse are intentional or willful on the parent's part.	394 20%	205 25% AC	133 16%
Parents who have been abusive can provide safe and nurturing care for their children when they receive needed supports.	303 15%	130 16%	98 12%
I think that most acts of child neglect or abuse usually aren't the parent's fault, but rather a product of unfortunate circumstances.	147 7%	64 8%	44 5%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q215\_1. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

1. Parents who have been neglectful can provide safe and nurturing care for their children when they receive needed supports.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1501 75%	567 70%	611 76%
Strongly agree	426 21%	199 24%	160 20%
Somewhat agree	1075 53% B	369 45%	451 56% B
BOTTOM 2 BOX (NET)	512 25%	246 30%	198 24%
Somewhat disagree	335 17%	158 19%	136 17%
Strongly disagree	177 9%	88 11%	63 8%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q215\_2. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

2. Parents who have been abusive can provide safe and nurturing care for their children when they receive needed supports.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1063 53%	405 50%	438 54%
Strongly agree	303 15%	130 16%	98 12%
Somewhat agree	759 38%	275 34%	340 42% B
BOTTOM 2 BOX (NET)	950 47%	408 50%	371 46%
Somewhat disagree	633 31%	219 27%	228 28%
Strongly disagree	317 16%	188 23% AC	144 18%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q215\_3. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

3. I am more understanding of parents involved in cases of child abuse or neglect if I know they are trying to get help or find a way out of their situation.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1411 70% B	518 64% B	576 71% B
Strongly agree	454 23% C	160 20% C	134 17% C
Somewhat agree	957 48% AB	358 44% AB	442 55% AB
BOTTOM 2 BOX (NET)	602 30% AC	295 36% AC	233 29% AC
Somewhat disagree	395 20% A	178 22% A	150 19% A
Strongly disagree	207 10% A	117 14% A	83 10% A
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q215\_4. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

4. I think that most acts of child neglect or abuse are intentional or willful on the parent's part.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1312 65%	554 68%	517 64%
Strongly agree	394 20%	205 25% AC	133 16%
Somewhat agree	918 46%	348 43%	384 47%
BOTTOM 2 BOX (NET)	701 35%	259 32%	292 36%
Somewhat disagree	564 28%	206 25%	229 28%
Strongly disagree	136 7%	53 7%	63 8%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q215\_5. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

5. I think that most acts of child neglect or abuse usually aren't the parent's fault, but rather a product of unfortunate circumstances.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	622 31%	256 32%	280 35%
Strongly agree	147 7%	64 8%	44 5%
Somewhat agree	475 24%	193 24%	236 29% A
BOTTOM 2 BOX (NET)	1391 69%	557 68%	529 65%
Somewhat disagree	806 40%	293 36%	319 39%
Strongly disagree	585 29%	264 32% C	210 26%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q220. Think about parents in the following situations who were previously found to be abusive or neglectful. How likely do you think each would be able to ensure their children are safe and appropriately cared for if they were provided appropriate supports?

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Base: All Qualified Respondents

SUMMARY TABLE OF VERY / SOMEWHAT LIKELY (NET)

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Parents living in poverty or experiencing homelessness	1443 72%	580 71%	565 70%
Parents with a criminal history (felony charges/non-misdemeanor)	1194 59%	468 58%	488 60%
Parents with substance abuse issues	1045 52%	421 52%	413 51%
Parents with untreated or undiagnosed mental health issues	1043 52%	382 47%	403 50%
Parents with a history of emotionally/verbally abusive behavior	1017 51%	377 46%	408 50%
Parents with a history of physically abusive behavior	847 42%	321 39%	331 41%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q220. Think about parents in the following situations who were previously found to be abusive or neglectful. How likely do you think each would be able to ensure their children are safe and appropriately cared for if they were provided appropriate supports?

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Base: All Qualified Respondents

SUMMARY TABLE OF VERY LIKELY

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Parents living in poverty or experiencing homelessness	503 25%	207 25%	184 23%
Parents with substance abuse issues	338 17% B	99 12%	143 18% B
Parents with untreated or undiagnosed mental health issues	321 16%	113 14%	123 15%
Parents with a criminal history (felony charges/non-misdemeanor)	310 15%	123 15%	132 16%
Parents with a history of emotionally/verbally abusive behavior	295 15%	101 12%	124 15%
Parents with a history of physically abusive behavior	290 14%	96 12%	104 13%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.



Q220\_1. Think about parents in the following situations who were previously found to be abusive or neglectful. How likely do you think each would be able to ensure their children are safe and appropriately cared for if they were provided appropriate supports?

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Base: All Qualified Respondents

1. Parents living in poverty or experiencing homelessness

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1443 72%	580 71%	565 70%
Very likely	503 25%	207 25%	184 23%
Somewhat likely	940 47%	373 46%	381 47%
BOTTOM 2 BOX (NET)	570 28%	233 29%	244 30%
Not very likely	410 20%	165 20%	173 21%
Not at all likely	160 8%	68 8%	71 9%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q220\_2. Think about parents in the following situations who were previously found to be abusive or neglectful. How likely do you think each would be able to ensure their children are safe and appropriately cared for if they were provided appropriate supports?

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Base: All Qualified Respondents

2. Parents with untreated or undiagnosed mental health issues

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1043 52%	382 47%	403 50%
Very likely	321 16%	113 14%	123 15%
Somewhat likely	722 36%	269 33%	280 35%
BOTTOM 2 BOX (NET)	970 48%	431 53%	406 50%
Not very likely	590 29%	259 32%	262 32%
Not at all likely	379 19%	172 21%	144 18%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q220\_3. Think about parents in the following situations who were previously found to be abusive or neglectful. How likely do you think each would be able to ensure their children are safe and appropriately cared for if they were provided appropriate supports?

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Base: All Qualified Respondents

3. Parents with substance abuse issues

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1045 52%	421 52%	413 51%
Very likely	338 17% B	99 12%	143 18% B
Somewhat likely	708 35%	323 40%	270 33%
BOTTOM 2 BOX (NET)	968 48%	392 48%	396 49%
Not very likely	567 28%	215 26%	235 29%
Not at all likely	401 20%	176 22%	161 20%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q220\_4. Think about parents in the following situations who were previously found to be abusive or neglectful. How likely do you think each would be able to ensure their children are safe and appropriately cared for if they were provided appropriate supports?

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Base: All Qualified Respondents

4. Parents with a history of physically abusive behavior

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	847 42%	321 39%	331 41%
Very likely	290 14%	96 12%	104 13%
Somewhat likely	557 28%	225 28%	227 28%
BOTTOM 2 BOX (NET)	1166 58%	492 61%	478 59%
Not very likely	692 34%	261 32%	267 33%
Not at all likely	474 24%	231 28% A	211 26%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q220\_5. Think about parents in the following situations who were previously found to be abusive or neglectful. How likely do you think each would be able to ensure their children are safe and appropriately cared for if they were provided appropriate supports?

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Base: All Qualified Respondents

5. Parents with a history of emotionally/verbally abusive behavior

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1017 51%	377 46%	408 50%
Very likely	295 15%	101 12%	124 15%
Somewhat likely	722 36%	276 34%	284 35%
BOTTOM 2 BOX (NET)	996 49%	436 54%	401 50%
Not very likely	697 35%	273 34%	262 32%
Not at all likely	299 15%	163 20% A	139 17%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q220\_6. Think about parents in the following situations who were previously found to be abusive or neglectful. How likely do you think each would be able to ensure their children are safe and appropriately cared for if they were provided appropriate supports?

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Base: All Qualified Respondents

6. Parents with a criminal history (felony charges/non-misdemeanor)

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1194 59%	468 58%	488 60%
Very likely	310 15%	123 15%	132 16%
Somewhat likely	885 44%	344 42%	356 44%
BOTTOM 2 BOX (NET)	819 41%	345 42%	321 40%
Not very likely	564 28%	223 27%	222 27%
Not at all likely	255 13%	122 15%	99 12%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

Q300. How familiar would you say you are with the child welfare system as a whole?

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1057 53%	504 62% A	501 62% A
Very familiar	281 14%	101 12%	113 14%
Somewhat familiar	776 39%	403 50% A	388 48% A
BOTTOM 2 BOX (NET)	956 47% BC	309 38%	308 38%
Not very familiar	639 32% B	215 26%	222 27%
Not at all familiar	317 16% BC	93 11%	86 11%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

**Q302. In an ideal world, which of the following statements most closely reflects your position on what the primary purpose of the child welfare system in this country should be?**

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
<b>PROTECTING CHILDREN (NET)</b>	889 44%	380 47%	334 41%
1 - Primarily protecting children at risk of abuse or neglect by their families	396 20%	193 24% C	145 18%
2	212 11%	74 9%	70 9%
3	281 14%	113 14%	119 15%
<b>STRENGTHENING FAMILIES (NET)</b>	1025 51%	404 50%	433 54%
4	391 19%	145 18%	189 23% B
5	246 12%	81 10%	83 10%
6 - Primarily strengthening families' ability to care for their children	388 19%	178 22%	161 20%
Not sure	99 5%	30 4%	42 5%
MEAN	3.5	3.5	3.6
STD. DEV.	1.78	1.87	1.74
STD. ERR.	0.04	0.07	0.06
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.



Base: All Qualified Respondents

Q305. Consider a situation where you suspected or knew that a child was being or had been abused or neglected. Which of the following is the minimum level of evidence you would need to feel comfortable filing a report? Please select one.

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
A strong reason to suspect that a child has already been harmed or is actively being harmed	711 35% B	227 28%	288 36% B
First-hand knowledge that a child has already been harmed or is actively being harmed	542 27%	253 31%	211 26%
Any reason to suspect that a child has already been harmed or is at risk of being harmed in the future	512 25%	213 26%	205 25%
A strong reason to suspect that a child is at risk of being harmed in the future	248 12%	119 15%	105 13%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q310. In your opinion, which of the following statements most closely reflects your position on how the U.S. child welfare system should work when deciding whether or not to investigate reports of abuse or neglect in these scenarios? Please select one.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
INVESTIGATE EVERY REPORT (NET)	1223 61%	491 60%	485 60%
1 - Investigate every report, even if that means that some parents might be investigated unnecessarily.	505 25%	238 29%	217 27%
2	321 16%	102 13%	112 14%
3	398 20%	151 19%	156 19%
ONLY INVESTIGATE WITH COMPELLING EVIDENCE (NET)	719 36%	294 36%	295 37%
4	377 19%	143 18%	152 19%
5	178 9%	56 7%	80 10%
6 - Only investigate reports where there is compelling evidence that abuse or neglect has occurred, or is occurring, even if that means that some legitimate reports aren't investigated.	164 8%	95 12% A	63 8%
Not sure	70 3%	29 4%	29 4%
MEAN	2.9	3.0	2.9
STD. DEV.	1.59	1.70	1.61
STD. ERR.	0.04	0.06	0.06
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q315. Do you believe that any of these scenarios should lead to an investigation by child welfare authorities? Please select one for each row.

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Base: All Qualified Respondents

SUMMARY TABLE OF CHILD WELFARE SHOULD INVESTIGATE

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
When a child has bruises, cuts, burns, or other indications of physical harm.	1771 88%	693 85%	688 85%
When a newborn shows signs of exposure to substance use during pregnancy (e.g., withdrawal symptoms, testing positive for drugs, being diagnosed with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder, etc.) after being born.	1623 81%	642 79%	656 81%
When there is evidence of domestic violence/spousal abuse occurring in the child's home.	1599 79%	636 78%	645 80%
When there is evidence of a child's parent(s) abusing substances.	1520 76%	625 77%	622 77%
When a young child is left home alone unattended or unsupervised for any extended period of time.	1396 69%	558 69%	582 72%
When there is evidence of a child's parent(s) facing mental health challenges that could affect their ability to care for their children.	1205 60%	501 62%	473 59%
When a child regularly says they have had to skip meals because there isn't any food at home.	1082 54%	446 55%	462 57%
When there is evidence that a child routinely lacks basic hygiene.	1062 53%	427 53%	444 55%
When a family with children is experiencing homelessness.	870 43%	379 47%	372 46%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q315. Do you believe that any of these scenarios should lead to an investigation by child welfare authorities? Please select one for each row.

SUMMARY TABLE OF OTHER GOVERNMENT OR COMMUNITY AGENCY SHOULD SUPPORT

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
When a family with children is experiencing homelessness.	990 49%	373 46%	378 47%
When a child regularly says they have had to skip meals because there isn't any food at home.	799 40%	314 39%	293 36%
When there is evidence that a child routinely lacks basic hygiene.	727 36%	305 38%	287 35%
When there is evidence of a child's parent(s) facing mental health challenges that could affect their ability to care for their children.	629 31%	244 30%	277 34%
When a young child is left home alone unattended or unsupervised for any extended period of time.	419 21%	186 23%	151 19%
When there is evidence of a child's parent(s) abusing substances.	358 18%	135 17%	122 15%
When there is evidence of domestic violence/spousal abuse occurring in the child's home.	299 15%	133 16%	102 13%
When a newborn shows signs of exposure to substance use during pregnancy (e.g., withdrawal symptoms, testing positive for drugs, being diagnosed with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder, etc.) after being born.	268 13%	112 14%	89 11%
When a child has bruises, cuts, burns, or other indications of physical harm.	115 6%	75 9% A	59 7%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q315\_1. Do you believe that any of these scenarios should lead to an investigation by child welfare authorities? Please select one for each row.

1. When a newborn shows signs of exposure to substance use during pregnancy (e.g., withdrawal symptoms, testing positive for drugs, being diagnosed with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder, etc.) after being born.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Yes, child welfare authorities should investigate	1623 81%	642 79%	656 81%
No, but another government or community agency should offer support	268 13%	112 14%	89 11%
Not sure	122 6%	59 7%	64 8%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q315\_2. Do you believe that any of these scenarios should lead to an investigation by child welfare authorities? Please select one for each row.  
 2. When a child regularly says they have had to skip meals because there isn't any food at home.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Yes, child welfare authorities should investigate	1082 54%	446 55%	462 57%
No, but another government or community agency should offer support	799 40%	314 39%	293 36%
Not sure	132 7%	53 7%	54 7%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q315\_3. Do you believe that any of these scenarios should lead to an investigation by child welfare authorities? Please select one for each row.  
 3. When a child has bruises, cuts, burns, or other indications of physical harm.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Yes, child welfare authorities should investigate	1771 88%	693 85%	688 85%
No, but another government or community agency should offer support	115 6%	75 9% A	59 7%
Not sure	127 6%	44 5%	62 8%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q315\_4. Do you believe that any of these scenarios should lead to an investigation by child welfare authorities? Please select one for each row.

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4. When a family with children is experiencing homelessness.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Yes, child welfare authorities should investigate	870 43%	379 47%	372 46%
No, but another government or community agency should offer support	990 49%	373 46%	378 47%
Not sure	153 8%	61 8%	59 7%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.



Q315\_5. Do you believe that any of these scenarios should lead to an investigation by child welfare authorities? Please select one for each row.

5. When there is evidence that a child routinely lacks basic hygiene.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Yes, child welfare authorities should investigate	1062 53%	427 53%	444 55%
No, but another government or community agency should offer support	727 36%	305 38%	287 35%
Not sure	224 11%	81 10%	78 10%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q315\_6. Do you believe that any of these scenarios should lead to an investigation by child welfare authorities? Please select one for each row.  
 6. When there is evidence of a child's parent(s) abusing substances.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Yes, child welfare authorities should investigate	1520 76%	625 77%	622 77%
No, but another government or community agency should offer support	358 18%	135 17%	122 15%
Not sure	134 7%	52 6%	64 8%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q315\_7. Do you believe that any of these scenarios should lead to an investigation by child welfare authorities? Please select one for each row.  
 7. When there is evidence of a child's parent(s) facing mental health challenges that could affect their ability to care for their children.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Yes, child welfare authorities should investigate	1205 60%	501 62%	473 59%
No, but another government or community agency should offer support	629 31%	244 30%	277 34%
Not sure	179 9%	68 8%	58 7%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q315\_8. Do you believe that any of these scenarios should lead to an investigation by child welfare authorities? Please select one for each row.  
 8. When there is evidence of domestic violence/spousal abuse occurring in the child's home.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Yes, child welfare authorities should investigate	1599 79%	636 78%	645 80%
No, but another government or community agency should offer support	299 15%	133 16%	102 13%
Not sure	115 6%	44 5%	62 8%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q315\_9. Do you believe that any of these scenarios should lead to an investigation by child welfare authorities? Please select one for each row.  
 9. When a young child is left home alone unattended or unsupervised for any extended period of time.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Yes, child welfare authorities should investigate	1396 69%	558 69%	582 72%
No, but another government or community agency should offer support	419 21%	186 23%	151 19%
Not sure	198 10%	69 9%	76 9%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q320. In your opinion, which of the following is the minimum amount of evidence that child welfare authorities should need in order to conduct an investigation? Please select one.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
A report detailing a strong reason to suspect that a child has already been harmed or is actively being harmed	759 38% B	250 31%	300 37%
A report detailing any reason to suspect that a child has already been harmed or is at risk of being harmed	445 22%	202 25%	184 23%
A report detailing first-hand knowledge that a child has already been harmed or is actively being harmed	443 22%	215 26%	177 22%
A report detailing a strong reason to suspect that a child is at risk of being harmed	367 18%	145 18%	147 18%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q325. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. child welfare system?

SUMMARY TABLE OF STRONGLY / SOMEWHAT AGREE (NET)

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Too often, decisions on whether the child welfare system should intervene in families are influenced by socioeconomic/poverty biases.	1463 73%	566 70%	574 71%
Too often, decisions on whether the child welfare system should intervene in families are influenced by racial biases.	1201 60%	462 57%	498 61%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q325. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. child welfare system?

SUMMARY TABLE OF STRONGLY AGREE

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Too often, decisions on whether the child welfare system should intervene in families are influenced by socioeconomic/poverty biases.	356 18%	149 18%	177 22%
Too often, decisions on whether the child welfare system should intervene in families are influenced by racial biases.	323 16%	140 17%	169 21% A

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.



Q325\_1. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. child welfare system?  
 1. Too often, decisions on whether the child welfare system should intervene in families are influenced by racial biases.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1201 60%	462 57%	498 61%
Strongly agree	323 16%	140 17%	169 21% A
Somewhat agree	878 44%	322 40%	328 41%
BOTTOM 2 BOX (NET)	812 40%	351 43%	311 39%
Somewhat disagree	550 27%	253 31%	223 28%
Strongly disagree	263 13%	98 12%	88 11%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q325\_2. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. child welfare system?

2. Too often, decisions on whether the child welfare system should intervene in families are influenced by socioeconomic/poverty biases.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1463 73%	566 70%	574 71%
Strongly agree	356 18%	149 18%	177 22%
Somewhat agree	1108 55% C	417 51%	397 49%
BOTTOM 2 BOX (NET)	550 27%	247 30%	235 29%
Somewhat disagree	416 21%	186 23%	196 24%
Strongly disagree	133 7%	61 7%	39 5%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

**Q330. Which of the following statements best reflects who you think is most effective at responding to concerns of child abuse and neglect? Please select one.**

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Government agencies can most effectively respond to concerns of child abuse and neglect.	391 19%	162 20%	152 19%
Community or religious organizations can most effectively respond to concerns of child abuse and neglect.	285 14%	135 17%	99 12%
Both governmental and community/religious organizations are needed to effectively respond to concerns of child abuse and neglect.	1337 66%	516 63%	559 69%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q400. Regardless of their current role, which of the following agencies or organizations do you think should be primarily responsible for the following activities?

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Base: All Qualified Respondents

SUMMARY TABLE OF MOSTLY GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Conducting investigations into allegations of abuse or neglect	1134 56%	475 58%	474 59%
Ensuring that children who cannot safely remain with their parents have a temporary alternative home	679 34%	260 32%	262 32%
Finding alternative permanent homes for children who cannot be cared for by their parents	646 32%	280 34%	249 31%
Meeting the needs of children and parents who have been reported for abuse and neglect so that they can remain together	538 27%	246 30%	241 30%
Meeting the needs of families to prevent abuse or neglect	432 21%	252 31% AC	190 23%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q400. Regardless of their current role, which of the following agencies or organizations do you think should be primarily responsible for the following activities?

Base: All Qualified Respondents

SUMMARY TABLE OF MOSTLY COMMUNITY/RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Meeting the needs of families to prevent abuse or neglect	269 13%	82 10%	127 16% B
Finding alternative permanent homes for children who cannot be cared for by their parents	196 10%	91 11%	113 14% A
Ensuring that children who cannot safely remain with their parents have a temporary alternative home	191 9%	71 9%	76 9%
Meeting the needs of children and parents who have been reported for abuse and neglect so that they can remain together	190 9%	65 8%	101 13% B
Conducting investigations into allegations of abuse or neglect	97 5%	41 5%	46 6%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q400. Regardless of their current role, which of the following agencies or organizations do you think should be primarily responsible for the following activities?

SUMMARY TABLE OF EQUALLY GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY/RELIGIOUS ORGS

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Meeting the needs of families to prevent abuse or neglect	1312 65% B	480 59%	492 61%
Meeting the needs of children and parents who have been reported for abuse and neglect so that they can remain together	1286 64% C	502 62%	467 58%
Finding alternative permanent homes for children who cannot be cared for by their parents	1171 58%	442 54%	447 55%
Ensuring that children who cannot safely remain with their parents have a temporary alternative home	1144 57%	482 59%	471 58%
Conducting investigations into allegations of abuse or neglect	782 39%	298 37%	290 36%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

**Q400\_1. Regardless of their current role, which of the following agencies or organizations do you think should be primarily responsible for the following activities?**

**1. Meeting the needs of families to prevent abuse or neglect**

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Mostly government agencies	432 21%	252 31% AC	190 23%
Equally government agencies and community/religious organizations	1312 65% B	480 59%	492 61%
Mostly community/religious organizations	269 13%	82 10%	127 16% B
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

**Q400\_2. Regardless of their current role, which of the following agencies or organizations do you think should be primarily responsible for the following activities?**

**2. Conducting investigations into allegations of abuse or neglect**

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Mostly government agencies	1134 56%	475 58%	474 59%
Equally government agencies and community/religious organizations	782 39%	298 37%	290 36%
Mostly community/religious organizations	97 5%	41 5%	46 6%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.



**Q400\_3. Regardless of their current role, which of the following agencies or organizations do you think should be primarily responsible for the following activities?**

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**3. Ensuring that children who cannot safely remain with their parents have a temporary alternative home**

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Mostly government agencies	679 34%	260 32%	262 32%
Equally government agencies and community/religious organizations	1144 57%	482 59%	471 58%
Mostly community/religious organizations	191 9%	71 9%	76 9%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

**Q400\_4. Regardless of their current role, which of the following agencies or organizations do you think should be primarily responsible for the following activities?**

**4. Meeting the needs of children and parents who have been reported for abuse and neglect so that they can remain together**

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Mostly government agencies	538 27%	246 30%	241 30%
Equally government agencies and community/religious organizations	1286 64% C	502 62%	467 58%
Mostly community/religious organizations	190 9%	65 8%	101 13% B
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

**Q400\_5. Regardless of their current role, which of the following agencies or organizations do you think should be primarily responsible for the following activities?**

**5. Finding alternative permanent homes for children who cannot be cared for by their parents**

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Mostly government agencies	646 32%	280 34%	249 31%
Equally government agencies and community/religious organizations	1171 58%	442 54%	447 55%
Mostly community/religious organizations	196 10%	91 11%	113 14%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

**Q500. Consider what you know about the current U.S. child welfare system. From which of the following sources have you learned what you know? Please select all that apply.**

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
ANY SOURCE (NET)	1711 85%	724 89% A	711 88%
News/media outlets	908 45%	374 46%	369 46%
My friends or family	819 41%	377 46% A	342 42%
My own online research	555 28%	213 26%	223 28%
My personal experience	509 25%	228 28%	260 32% A
Social media platforms	435 22%	193 24%	184 23%
Non-profit/advocacy groups	357 18%	166 20%	143 18%
Politicians/political platforms	209 10%	100 12%	90 11%
Something else	178 9%	89 11%	58 7%
I don't know anything about the U.S. child welfare system	302 15% B	89 11%	98 12%
Sigma	4271 212%	1830 225%	1768 219%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Base: Has Knowledge Of U.S. Child Welfare System Q505. And, which of these sources have you relied on most to inform what you know about the current U.S. child welfare system? Please select one.

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	1704	727	710
Weighted Base	1711	724	711
News/media outlets	477 28%	189 26%	208 29%
My friends or family	312 18%	140 19%	125 18%
My own online research	273 16%	106 15%	96 14%
My personal experience	260 15%	143 20% A	160 22% A
Social media platforms	141 8% C	43 6%	32 5%
Non-profit/advocacy groups	117 7%	47 7%	44 6%
Politicians/political platforms	25 1%	17 2%	16 2%
Something else	106 6%	40 5%	30 4%
I don't know anything about the U.S. child welfare system	-	-	-
Sigma	1711 100%	724 100%	711 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q510. Overall, how positive or negative is your perception of the current U.S. child welfare system?

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
NEGATIVE (NET)	871 43%	320 39%	366 45%
1 - Very negative	155 8%	63 8%	63 8%
2	249 12%	85 10%	110 14%
3	467 23%	172 21%	192 24%
POSITIVE (NET)	971 48%	430 53%	388 48%
4	576 29%	250 31%	259 32%
5	251 12%	101 12%	87 11%
6 - Very positive	144 7%	79 10% C	43 5%
Not sure	171 9%	63 8%	56 7%
MEAN	3.5	3.6 C	3.4
STD. DEV.	1.33	1.37	1.27
STD. ERR.	0.03	0.05	0.05
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

Q525. Overall, how would you rate how the current U.S. child welfare system functions?

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
SYSTEM IS BROKEN (NET)	1070 53%	404 50%	452 56%
1 - The U.S. child welfare system is an inherently broken system that can't be fixed	151 7%	75 9%	55 7%
2	313 16% B	85 10%	127 16% B
3	606 30%	244 30%	270 33%
4 - The U.S. child welfare system functions the way it was designed to operate	460 23%	203 25%	176 22%
SYSTEM IS HIGH-FUNCTIONING (NET)	296 15%	160 20% A	122 15%
5	150 7%	78 10%	51 6%
6	75 4%	39 5%	38 5%
7 - The U.S. child welfare system is high-functioning	72 4%	42 5%	33 4%
Not sure	187 9% B	47 6%	60 7%
MEAN	3.4	3.5 A	3.4
STD. DEV.	1.40	1.49	1.41
STD. ERR.	0.03	0.05	0.05
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q530. How much of a challenge do you see the following when it comes to the obstacles that the current U.S. child welfare system faces. Please select one for each row.

SUMMARY TABLE OF A SIGNIFICANT/ SOMEWHAT OF A CHALLENGE (NET)

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Lack of services to meet the needs of parents and children (e.g., counseling/mental health services, etc.)	1894 94%	746 92%	766 95%
Too much bureaucracy/red tape	1872 93% B	732 90%	749 93%
Lack of resources/staffing	1859 92%	751 92%	756 93%
Limited funding	1852 92%	742 91%	725 90%
Incompetent/inexperienced caseworkers	1852 92%	760 94%	738 91%
Incompetent leadership	1847 92%	722 89%	717 89%
Lack of community support	1769 88%	727 89%	721 89%
Racial biases	1636 81%	687 84%	672 83%
The stigma of working for child welfare impeding workers doing their job	1569 78%	684 84% AC	619 77%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.



Q530\_1. How much of a challenge do you see the following when it comes to the obstacles that the current U.S. child welfare system faces. Please select one for each row.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

1. Incompetent leadership

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1847 92%	722 89%	717 89%
A significant challenge	864 43%	342 42%	328 40%
Somewhat of a challenge	982 49%	380 47%	389 48%
Not a challenge at all	166 8%	91 11%	92 11%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q530\_2. How much of a challenge do you see the following when it comes to the obstacles that the current U.S. child welfare system faces. Please select one for each row.

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Base: All Qualified Respondents

2. Incompetent/inexperienced caseworkers

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1852 92%	760 94%	738 91%
A significant challenge	878 44%	367 45%	326 40%
Somewhat of a challenge	974 48%	393 48%	412 51%
Not a challenge at all	161 8%	53 6%	71 9%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q530\_3. How much of a challenge do you see the following when it comes to the obstacles that the current U.S. child welfare system faces. Please select one for each row.

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Base: All Qualified Respondents

3. Too much bureaucracy/red tape

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1872 93% B	732 90%	749 93%
A significant challenge	1052 52%	394 48%	403 50%
Somewhat of a challenge	820 41%	338 42%	346 43%
Not a challenge at all	141 7%	81 10% A	60 7%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q530\_4. How much of a challenge do you see the following when it comes to the obstacles that the current U.S. child welfare system faces. Please select one for each row.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

4. Limited funding

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1852 92%	742 91%	725 90%
A significant challenge	1154 57%	451 55%	428 53%
Somewhat of a challenge	698 35%	291 36%	296 37%
Not a challenge at all	161 8%	71 9%	84 10%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q530\_5. How much of a challenge do you see the following when it comes to the obstacles that the current U.S. child welfare system faces. Please select one for each row.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

5. Lack of resources/staffing

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1859 92%	751 92%	756 93%
A significant challenge	1089 54%	444 55%	402 50%
Somewhat of a challenge	769 38%	307 38%	354 44% A
Not a challenge at all	154 8%	62 8%	53 7%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q530\_6. How much of a challenge do you see the following when it comes to the obstacles that the current U.S. child welfare system faces. Please select one for each row.

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Base: All Qualified Respondents

6. Lack of community support

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1769 88%	727 89%	721 89%
A significant challenge	695 35%	304 37%	282 35%
Somewhat of a challenge	1074 53%	423 52%	439 54%
Not a challenge at all	244 12%	86 11%	88 11%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q530\_7. How much of a challenge do you see the following when it comes to the obstacles that the current U.S. child welfare system faces. Please select one for each row.

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Base: All Qualified Respondents

7. Lack of services to meet the needs of parents and children (e.g., counseling/mental health services, etc.)

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1894 94%	746 92%	766 95%
A significant challenge	1071 53% C	419 52%	375 46%
Somewhat of a challenge	823 41%	327 40%	391 48% AB
Not a challenge at all	119 6%	67 8%	43 5%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q530\_8. How much of a challenge do you see the following when it comes to the obstacles that the current U.S. child welfare system faces. Please select one for each row.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

8. Racial biases

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1636 81%	687 84%	672 83%
A significant challenge	695 35%	293 36%	271 33%
Somewhat of a challenge	941 47%	394 48%	401 50%
Not a challenge at all	377 19%	126 16%	137 17%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.



Q530\_9. How much of a challenge do you see the following when it comes to the obstacles that the current U.S. child welfare system faces. Please select one for each row.

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Base: All Qualified Respondents

9. The stigma of working for child welfare impeding workers doing their job

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1569 78%	684 84% AC	619 77%
A significant challenge	527 26%	242 30%	217 27%
Somewhat of a challenge	1041 52%	441 54%	402 50%
Not a challenge at all	444 22% B	129 16%	190 23% B
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q535. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. child welfare system?

SUMMARY TABLE OF STRONGLY / SOMEWHAT AGREE (NET)

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
The child welfare system only gets attention when something bad happens.	1649 82% B	621 76%	633 78%
The child welfare system is simply overwhelmed and lacks resources.	1647 82% B	624 77%	655 81%
The child welfare system faces the nearly impossible task of balancing the needs of families with the safety of children.	1623 81%	636 78%	616 76%
The child welfare system does more good than harm.	1261 63%	509 63%	536 66%
The child welfare system perpetuates the oppression of marginalized populations.	1100 55%	443 54%	405 50%
The child welfare system has strong community and public support.	929 46%	388 48%	410 51%
The child welfare system is an example of government overreach.	861 43%	380 47%	353 44%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q535. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. child welfare system?

SUMMARY TABLE OF STRONGLY AGREE

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
The child welfare system is simply overwhelmed and lacks resources.	748 37%	261 32%	267 33%
The child welfare system only gets attention when something bad happens.	625 31%	232 29%	216 27%
The child welfare system faces the nearly impossible task of balancing the needs of families with the safety of children.	552 27%	203 25%	185 23%
The child welfare system does more good than harm.	352 17%	138 17%	125 15%
The child welfare system perpetuates the oppression of marginalized populations.	295 15%	103 13%	86 11%
The child welfare system is an example of government overreach.	263 13%	122 15%	97 12%
The child welfare system has strong community and public support.	199 10%	77 10%	79 10%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q535\_1. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. child welfare system?

1. The child welfare system faces the nearly impossible task of balancing the needs of families with the safety of children.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1623 81%	636 78%	616 76%
Strongly agree	552 27%	203 25%	185 23%
Somewhat agree	1071 53%	433 53%	431 53%
BOTTOM 2 BOX (NET)	390 19%	177 22%	193 24%
Somewhat disagree	323 16%	125 15%	167 21% AB
Strongly disagree	67 3%	53 6% AC	26 3%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q535\_2. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. child welfare system?  
 2. The child welfare system is an example of government overreach.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	861 43%	380 47%	353 44%
Strongly agree	263 13%	122 15%	97 12%
Somewhat agree	598 30%	258 32%	256 32%
BOTTOM 2 BOX (NET)	1152 57%	433 53%	456 56%
Somewhat disagree	755 38%	301 37%	313 39%
Strongly disagree	396 20%	132 16%	143 18%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q535\_3. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. child welfare system?  
 3. The child welfare system perpetuates the oppression of marginalized populations.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1100 55%	443 54%	405 50%
Strongly agree	295 15% C	103 13%	86 11%
Somewhat agree	805 40%	340 42%	319 39%
BOTTOM 2 BOX (NET)	913 45%	370 46%	404 50%
Somewhat disagree	684 34%	288 35%	317 39%
Strongly disagree	229 11%	82 10%	87 11%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q535\_4. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. child welfare system?

Base: All Qualified Respondents

4. The child welfare system only gets attention when something bad happens.

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1649 82% B	621 76%	633 78%
Strongly agree	625 31%	232 29%	216 27%
Somewhat agree	1024 51%	389 48%	418 52%
BOTTOM 2 BOX (NET)	364 18%	192 24% A	176 22%
Somewhat disagree	288 14%	144 18%	140 17%
Strongly disagree	77 4%	48 6%	36 4%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q535\_5. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. child welfare system?

Base: All Qualified Respondents

5. The child welfare system is simply overwhelmed and lacks resources.

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1647 82% B	624 77%	655 81%
Strongly agree	748 37%	261 32%	267 33%
Somewhat agree	898 45%	364 45%	389 48%
BOTTOM 2 BOX (NET)	366 18%	189 23% A	154 19%
Somewhat disagree	279 14%	136 17%	124 15%
Strongly disagree	87 4%	53 6%	30 4%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.



Q535\_6. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. child welfare system?

6. The child welfare system has strong community and public support.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	929 46%	388 48%	410 51%
Strongly agree	199 10%	77 10%	79 10%
Somewhat agree	730 36%	310 38%	331 41%
BOTTOM 2 BOX (NET)	1084 54%	425 52%	399 49%
Somewhat disagree	848 42%	336 41%	320 40%
Strongly disagree	236 12%	90 11%	79 10%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q535\_7. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. child welfare system?

Base: All Qualified Respondents

7. The child welfare system does more good than harm.

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1261 63%	509 63%	536 66%
Strongly agree	352 17%	138 17%	125 15%
Somewhat agree	909 45%	371 46%	412 51% A
BOTTOM 2 BOX (NET)	752 37%	304 37%	273 34%
Somewhat disagree	580 29%	241 30%	214 26%
Strongly disagree	172 9%	63 8%	59 7%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q605. In your opinion, which of the following statements most closely reflects your position on how the U.S. foster care system should work when it comes to considering removing a child from their families? Please select one.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
FAVOR REMOVING CHILD FROM HOME (NET)	780 39%	357 44%	337 42%
1 - Heavily favor the system removing the child from their home, even if removal might not be absolutely necessary.	148 7%	86 11% AC	47 6%
2	169 8%	69 9%	54 7%
3	463 23%	202 25%	236 29% A
FAVOR KEEPING CHILD WITH THEIR FAMILY (NET)	1070 53%	395 49%	415 51%
4	707 35%	244 30%	283 35%
5	220 11%	92 11%	76 9%
6 - Heavily favor the system keeping the child with their family, even if the risk of future harm is unclear.	143 7%	59 7%	56 7%
Not sure	164 8%	61 8%	57 7%
MEAN	3.6	3.5	3.6
STD. DEV.	1.27	1.35	1.19
STD. ERR.	0.03	0.05	0.04
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q615. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. foster care system?

SUMMARY TABLE OF STRONGLY / SOMEWHAT AGREE (NET)

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Child welfare authorities should identify extended family members to take in children when problems arise before resorting to foster care with somebody the child does not already know.	1812 90% B	687 85%	717 89%
Extended family members should receive similar screening, support and resources as foster parents when they take on full-time care of children.	1810 90% B	701 86%	701 87%
Child welfare authorities should be wary of relying on the help of the extended family members who are related to the parent who is neglecting or abusing their child.	1138 57%	466 57%	450 56%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q615. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. foster care system?

SUMMARY TABLE OF STRONGLY AGREE

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Extended family members should receive similar screening, support and resources as foster parents when they take on full-time care of children.	1022 51%	415 51%	397 49%
Child welfare authorities should identify extended family members to take in children when problems arise before resorting to foster care with somebody the child does not already know.	866 43%	361 44%	339 42%
Child welfare authorities should be wary of relying on the help of the extended family members who are related to the parent who is neglecting or abusing their child.	358 18%	142 17%	114 14%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q615\_1. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. foster care system?

Base: All Qualified Respondents 1. Child welfare authorities should identify extended family members to take in children when problems arise before resorting to foster care with somebody the child does not already know.

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1812 90% B	687 85%	717 89%
Strongly agree	866 43%	361 44%	339 42%
Somewhat agree	946 47% B	326 40%	378 47%
BOTTOM 2 BOX (NET)	201 10%	126 15% A	92 11%
Somewhat disagree	168 8%	102 12% AC	68 8%
Strongly disagree	33 2%	24 3%	25 3%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q615\_2. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. foster care system?

2. Child welfare authorities should be wary of relying on the help of the extended family members who are related to the parent who is neglecting or abusing their child.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1138 57%	466 57%	450 56%
Strongly agree	358 18%	142 17%	114 14%
Somewhat agree	781 39%	324 40%	336 41%
BOTTOM 2 BOX (NET)	875 43%	347 43%	359 44%
Somewhat disagree	672 33%	231 28%	265 33%
Strongly disagree	203 10%	116 14% A	94 12%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q615\_3. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. foster care system?

3. Extended family members should receive similar screening, support and resources as foster parents when they take on full-time care of children.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1810 90% B	701 86%	701 87%
Strongly agree	1022 51%	415 51%	397 49%
Somewhat agree	787 39%	286 35%	304 38%
BOTTOM 2 BOX (NET)	203 10%	112 14% A	108 13%
Somewhat disagree	174 9%	81 10%	87 11%
Strongly disagree	29 1%	31 4% A	21 3%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.



Q620. In your opinion, which of the following statements most closely reflects your position on how the U.S foster care system should work when deciding how long parents should be given to address challenges? Please select one.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
FAVOR GIVING PARENTS MORE TIME (NET)	1116 55%	462 57%	449 56%
1 - Heavily favor the system giving parents more time to address challenges and reunify with their children, even if it means that children spend more time in foster care.	302 15%	148 18%	116 14%
2	293 15%	104 13%	119 15%
3	522 26%	210 26%	214 26%
FAVOR MINIMIZING TIME IN FOSTER CARE (NET)	728 36%	299 37%	306 38%
4	441 22%	158 19%	172 21%
5	154 8%	78 10%	65 8%
6 - Heavily favor the system minimizing the amount of time that children remain in foster care, even if it means that parents and children are less likely to be reunited.	133 7%	63 8%	69 8%
Not Sure	168 8%	52 6%	54 7%
MEAN	3.1	3.1	3.2
STD. DEV.	1.42	1.50	1.46
STD. ERR.	0.03	0.05	0.05
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q625. Typically, parents are given approximately 15 months to show that they are addressing the issues that interfere with their ability to provide adequate parenting while their children are kept in temporary foster care.

In your opinion, do you feel that this is too much, too little, or enough time?

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
NOT ENOUGH TIME (NET)	355 18%	171 21%	135 17%
Not enough time at all	75 4%	55 7% A	31 4%
Not quite enough time	279 14%	116 14%	104 13%
The right amount of time	1145 57%	459 56%	484 60%
TOO MUCH TIME (NET)	513 25%	183 22%	189 23%
A bit too much time	415 21%	143 18%	146 18%
Far too much time	98 5%	40 5%	43 5%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q630. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. adoption system?

SUMMARY TABLE OF STRONGLY / SOMEWHAT AGREE (NET)

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Children should not be adopted to an adoptive family until all extended family/kin options have been exhausted first.	1539 76%	615 76%	611 76%
Adoptive parents should help their adopted children maintain ongoing and safe relationships with their biological parents/families.	1431 71% B	517 64%	559 69%
Adoption agencies should make every effort to recruit families that share the race and ethnicity of the child(ren) in foster care before placing them with a family outside of their culture or ethnicity.	1356 67% C	522 64%	493 61%
Once a child is adopted from foster care, it is better for them to avoid contact with their biological parents/families.	954 47%	369 45%	386 48%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q630. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. adoption system?

SUMMARY TABLE OF STRONGLY AGREE

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Children should not be adopted to an adoptive family until all extended family/kin options have been exhausted first.	629 31%	264 32%	268 33%
Adoption agencies should make every effort to recruit families that share the race and ethnicity of the child(ren) in foster care before placing them with a family outside of their culture or ethnicity.	457 23%	170 21%	157 19%
Adoptive parents should help their adopted children maintain ongoing and safe relationships with their biological parents/families.	424 21%	160 20%	154 19%
Once a child is adopted from foster care, it is better for them to avoid contact with their biological parents/families.	257 13%	109 13%	89 11%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q630\_1. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. adoption system?  
 1. Once a child is adopted from foster care, it is better for them to avoid contact with their biological parents/families.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	954 47%	369 45%	386 48%
Strongly agree	257 13%	109 13%	89 11%
Somewhat agree	697 35%	260 32%	298 37%
BOTTOM 2 BOX (NET)	1059 53%	444 55%	423 52%
Somewhat disagree	809 40%	335 41%	337 42%
Strongly disagree	250 12%	109 13%	86 11%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q630\_2. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. adoption system?  
 2. Adoptive parents should help their adopted children maintain ongoing and safe relationships with their biological parents/families.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1431 71% B	517 64%	559 69%
Strongly agree	424 21%	160 20%	154 19%
Somewhat agree	1006 50% B	357 44%	405 50%
BOTTOM 2 BOX (NET)	582 29%	296 36% A	250 31%
Somewhat disagree	454 23%	243 30% A	216 27%
Strongly disagree	128 6%	52 6%	34 4%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q630\_3. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. adoption system?  
 3. Children should not be adopted to an adoptive family until all extended family/kin options have been exhausted first.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1539 76%	615 76%	611 76%
Strongly agree	629 31%	264 32%	268 33%
Somewhat agree	910 45%	351 43%	343 42%
BOTTOM 2 BOX (NET)	474 24%	198 24%	198 24%
Somewhat disagree	400 20%	155 19%	163 20%
Strongly disagree	74 4%	43 5%	35 4%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q630\_4. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. adoption system?  
 4. Adoption agencies should make every effort to recruit families that share the race and ethnicity of the child(ren) in foster care before placing them with a family outside of their culture or ethnicity.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
TOP 2 BOX (NET)	1356 67% C	522 64%	493 61%
Strongly agree	457 23%	170 21%	157 19%
Somewhat agree	899 45%	352 43%	336 42%
BOTTOM 2 BOX (NET)	657 33%	291 36%	316 39% A
Somewhat disagree	462 23%	212 26%	244 30% A
Strongly disagree	195 10%	79 10%	73 9%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.



Base: All Qualified Respondents

Q800. Are you...?

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Heterosexual (Straight)	1858 92%	735 90%	727 90%
LGBTQ+ (NET)	144 7%	71 9%	73 9%
Bisexual	71 4%	45 5%	32 4%
Gay	39 2%	14 2%	19 2%
Lesbian	16 1%	6 1%	13 2%
Queer	5 0%	1 0%	2 0%
Something else	13 1%	5 1%	6 1%
Decline to answer	12 1%	7 1%	10 1%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q802. And do you consider yourself to be a transgender individual?

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Yes	22 1%	11 1%	16 2%
No	1981 98%	794 98%	787 97%
Decline to answer	10 1%	8 1%	6 1%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

Q804. Which of the following best describes the area where you live?

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
A suburb near a large city	883 44%	389 48%	370 46%
A large city	485 24% B	119 15% B	164 20% B
A small city or town	367 18%	171 21%	182 23%
A rural area	278 14%	134 16% C	93 11%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

Q805. Regardless of how you may vote, what do you usually consider yourself?

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Democrat	752 37%	303 37%	318 39%
Independent	579 29% B	190 23%	221 27%
Republican	576 29%	269 33%	222 27%
Other	105 5%	52 6%	47 6%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

Q810. Again thinking about your political leanings, how would you describe your political philosophy?

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
<b>LIBERAL (NET)</b>	595 30%	215 26%	206 25%
Very liberal	186 9%	87 11%	76 9%
Liberal	409 20% B	128 16%	130 16%
Moderate/somewhere in between	843 42%	347 43%	377 47%
<b>CONSERVATIVE (NET)</b>	574 29%	251 31%	226 28%
Conservative	386 19%	171 21%	132 16%
Very conservative	189 9%	80 10%	94 12%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Q815. Generally speaking, do you consider yourself to be more of a supporter of Donald Trump or more of a supporter of the Republican Party?

Base: Republican

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	578	272	226
Weighted Base	576	269	222
Republican Party supporter	283 49%	133 49%	103 46%
Donald Trump supporter	169 29%	84 31%	82 37%
Both a supporter of the Republican Party and Donald Trump	125 22%	52 19%	38 17%
Sigma	576 100%	269 100%	222 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

Q820. Overall, how big of a role does your religion on spirituality play in your life?

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
NO / MINIMAL ROLE (NET)	544 27% B	132 16%	200 25% B
1 - No role at all	395 20% B	93 11%	126 16%
2	149 7% B	38 5%	75 9% B
MODERATE ROLE (NET)	876 43%	366 45%	351 43%
3	187 9%	64 8%	67 8%
4 - A moderate role	528 26%	224 28%	213 26%
5	161 8%	78 10%	71 9%
LARGE ROLE (NET)	594 29%	315 39% AC	258 32%
6	227 11%	88 11%	81 10%
7 - A big role	366 18%	227 28% AC	176 22%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

Q825. What personal experience, if any, do you have with the U.S. child welfare system? Please select all that apply.

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
ANY EXPERIENCE WITH SYSTEM (NET)	709 35%	333 41% A	353 44% A
EXPERIENCE BUT NOT INVOLVED THEMSELVES (SUB-NET)	488 24%	210 26%	226 28%
I have reported someone to the child welfare system	180 9%	89 11%	78 10%
I care(d) for a child in the welfare system	121 6%	45 6%	49 6%
I work(ed) for the child welfare system	68 3%	22 3%	35 4%
Something else	229 11%	100 12%	100 12%
PERSONAL EXPERIENCE WITH SYSTEM (NET)	362 18%	182 22% A	176 22% A
A family member is/was a child in the system	205 10%	119 15% A	95 12% A
I have been reported to the child welfare system	137 7%	37 5%	59 7%
I was a child in the system	94 5%	59 7% A	61 8% A
I don't have any personal experience with the U.S. child welfare system	1304 65% BC	480 59%	456 56%
Sigma	2338 116%	953 117%	932 115%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.



Base: All Qualified Respondents

Q825. What personal experience, if any, do you have with the U.S. child welfare system? Please select all that apply.

	I was a child in the system	A family member is/was a child in the system	I have been reported to the child welfare system	I have reported someone to the child welfare system	I care(d) for a child in the welfare system	I work(ed) for the child welfare system
	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)
Unweighted Base	230	460	247	353	225	121
Weighted Base	213	420	233	347	216	125*
ANY EXPERIENCE WITH SYSTEM (NET)	213 100%	420 100%	233 100%	347 100%	216 100%	125 100%
EXPERIENCE BUT NOT INVOLVED THEMSELVES (SUB-NET)	66 31%	156 37%	96 41%	347 100% ABC	216 100% ABC	125 100% ABC
I have reported someone to the child welfare system	53 25%	83 20%	60 26%	347 100% ABCE	70 32% B	35 28%
I care(d) for a child in the welfare system	18 8%	60 14%	38 16% A	70 20% A	216 100% ABCD	30 24% A
I work(ed) for the child welfare system	9 4%	39 9% A	18 8%	35 10% A	30 14% A	125 100% ABCDE
Something else	9 4%	28 7%	21 9%	59 17% ABCE	18 8%	9 7%
PERSONAL EXPERIENCE WITH SYSTEM (NET)	213 100% DEF	420 100% DEF	233 100% DEF	142 41%	85 39%	56 45%
A family member is/was a child in the system	60 28%	420 100% ACDEF	67 29%	83 24%	60 28%	39 31%
I have been reported to the child welfare system	39 18%	67 16%	233 100% ABDEF	60 17%	38 18%	18 15%
I was a child in the system	213 100% BCDEF	60 14%	39 17% E	53 15% E	18 8%	9 7%
I don't have any personal experience with the U.S. child welfare system	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sigma	402 188%	758 181%	477 205%	706 204%	449 208%	265 211%

Proportions/Mean: Columns Tested (5% risk level) - A/B/C/D/E/F  
 Overlap formulae used. \* small base

Base: All Qualified Respondents

EDUCATION: What is the highest level of education you have completed?

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
LESS THAN HIGH SCHOOL (NET)	160 8%	78 10%	64 8%
Less than high school	33 2%	22 3%	16 2%
Completed some high school	127 6%	56 7%	49 6%
HIGH SCHOOL TO LESS THAN 4 YEAR COLLEGE DEGREE (NET)	1126 56%	477 59%	517 64% A
High school graduate	302 15%	213 26% A	191 24% A
Job-specific training program(s) after high school	71 4%	25 3%	32 4%
Some college, but no degree	465 23% B	138 17%	203 25% B
Associate degree	288 14%	100 12%	91 11%
4 YEAR COLLEGE DEGREE OR MORE (NET)	726 36% C	258 32%	227 28%
Bachelor's degree (such as B.A., B.S.)	357 18%	135 17%	116 14%
Some graduate school, but no degree	49 2%	15 2%	11 1%
Graduate degree (such as MBA, MS, M.D., Ph.D.)	321 16%	108 13%	100 12%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

**INCOME: How much total combined income did all members of your household earn before taxes last year?**

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Less than \$15,000	151 7%	66 8%	76 9%
\$15,000 to \$24,999	128 6%	50 6%	47 6%
\$25,000 to \$34,999	111 6%	78 10% A	49 6%
\$35,000 to \$49,999	204 10%	88 11%	98 12%
\$50,000 to \$74,999	325 16%	136 17%	112 14%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	258 13%	109 13%	111 14%
\$100,000 OR MORE (NET)	836 42% B	287 35%	316 39%
\$100,000 to \$124,999	237 12%	75 9%	110 14% B
\$125,000 to \$149,999	135 7%	78 10% A	55 7%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	198 10%	71 9%	66 8%
\$200,000 to \$249,999	124 6% B	18 2%	35 4%
\$250,000 or more	142 7%	45 6%	51 6%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

MARITAL STATUS: What is your marital status?

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
Never married	582 29%	246 30%	240 30%
MARRIED / LIVING WITH PARTNER (NET)	1062 53%	429 53%	422 52%
Married or civil union	944 47%	385 47%	357 44%
Living with partner	118 6%	44 5%	64 8%
DIVORCED / SEPARATED / WIDOWED (NET)	369 18%	138 17%	148 18%
Divorced	200 10%	76 9%	84 10%
Separated	34 2%	23 3%	28 3% A
Widowed	135 7%	39 5%	35 4%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

ADULTS IN HH: Including yourself, how many people age 18 or older live in your household? If you live in more than one household, please answer for only one of the households.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
1	380 19%	166 20%	184 23%
ANY OTHER THAN RESPONDENT (NET)	1633 81%	647 80%	625 77%
2	1006 50%	376 46%	409 51%
3	383 19%	169 21%	126 16%
4+	244 12%	102 13%	90 11%
MEAN	2.3 C	2.3	2.2
STD. DEV.	1.24	1.25	1.00
STD. ERR.	0.03	0.04	0.04
MEDIAN	2	2	2
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

CHILDREN IN HH: How many people under the age of 18 live in your household?

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
0	1336 66%	510 63%	568 70% B
ANY (NET)	677 34%	303 37% C	241 30%
1	334 17%	158 19% C	109 13%
2	239 12%	85 10%	79 10%
3	67 3%	29 4%	33 4%
4+	37 2%	32 4% A	20 2%
MEAN	0.6	0.7	0.6
STD. DEV.	0.99	1.18	1.06
STD. ERR.	0.02	0.04	0.04
MEDIAN	-	-	-
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Base: Children In HH

DMPARENT. Are you the parent/legal guardian of any of these children?

	National Total	GA Total	OA Total
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	580	309	269
Weighted Base	677	303	241
PARENT / GUARDIAN (NET)	581 86%	254 84%	204 84%
Yes, I am their parent	534 79%	233 77%	186 77%
Yes, I am their guardian	48 7%	21 7%	18 7%
No, I am neither their parent nor guardian	96 14%	49 16%	38 16%
Sigma	677 100%	303 100%	241 100%

Proportions/Mean: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.

Base: All Qualified Respondents

**EMPLOYMENT: Which of the following best describes your employment status?**

	<u>National Total</u>	<u>GA Total</u>	<u>OA Total</u>
	(A)	(B)	(C)
Unweighted Base	2013	813	809
Weighted Base	2013	813	809
EMPLOYED (NET)	1160 58%	478 59%	479 59%
Employed full time	870 43%	343 42%	367 45%
Employed part time	160 8%	70 9%	70 9%
Self-employed full time	82 4%	50 6% C	22 3%
Self-employed part time	48 2%	15 2%	21 3%
NOT EMPLOYED (NET)	853 42%	335 41%	330 41%
Not employed, but looking for work	125 6%	56 7%	42 5%
Not employed and not looking for work	23 1%	9 1%	8 1%
Not employed, unable to work due to a disability or illness	91 5%	30 4%	34 4%
Retired	466 23%	179 22%	189 23%
Student	59 3%	27 3%	26 3%
Stay-at-home spouse or partner	88 4%	33 4%	30 4%
Sigma	2013 100%	813 100%	809 100%

Proportions/Means: All Columns Tested (5% risk level)  
 Overlap formulae used.



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1	1	US REGION: Census Region (US Net)
2	2	DMGENM. Do you currently describe yourself as...? Please select all that apply.
3	3	DMHISPUS. Are you of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin?
4	4	NET2RACEMUS. Race-Multi (US Net 2 for RPR)
5	5	Q100. The U.S. Constitution gives parents significant authority to raise their children as they see fit. At the same time, government can and does impose restrictions on parenting to ensure the well-being of all children, including child labor laws, minimum schooling requirements, and required childhood vaccinations. In your opinion, in balancing parents' authority with the government's interest in ensuring the well-being of children, should our country...? Please select one.
6	6	Q103. Regardless of whether or not you are a parent, how easy or hard do you think it is to be a parent? On a scale of 1 to 6 where 1 = "It's an easy job" and 6 = "It's the toughest job out there," where do you think parenting falls?
7	7	Q200. Which of the following factors do you think are significant contributors to why child abuse or neglect occurs? Please select all that apply. SUMMARY TABLE OF CHILD ABUSE
8	8	Q200. Which of the following factors do you think are significant contributors to why child abuse or neglect occurs? Please select all that apply. SUMMARY TABLE OF CHILD NEGLECT
9	9	Q205. And, which of these factors in cases of abuse and neglect do you think is typically the primary cause? Please select one per column. SUMMARY TABLE OF CHILD ABUSE
10	10	Q205. And, which of these factors in cases of abuse and neglect do you think is typically the primary cause? Please select one per column. SUMMARY TABLE OF CHILD NEGLECT
11	11	Q210. In your opinion, when do situations of poverty (i.e., the state or condition in which one lacks the financial resources and essentials for a certain standard of living) put a child sufficiently at risk for abuse or neglect to warrant government intervention?
16	12	Q215. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? SUMMARY TABLE OF STRONGLY / SOMEWHAT AGREE (NET)
17	13	Q215. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? SUMMARY TABLE OF STRONGLY AGREE
18	14	Q215_1. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? 1. Parents who have been neglectful can provide safe and nurturing care for their children when they receive needed supports.
19	15	Q215_2. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? 2. Parents who have been abusive can provide safe and nurturing care for their children when they receive needed supports.
20	16	Q215_3. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? 3. I am more understanding of parents involved in cases of child abuse or neglect if I know they are trying to get help or find a way out of their situation.
21	17	Q215_4. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? 4. I think that most acts of child neglect or abuse are intentional or willful on the parent's part.
22	18	Q215_5. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? 5. I think that most acts of child neglect or abuse usually aren't the parent's fault, but rather a product of unfortunate circumstances.
23	19	Q220. Think about parents in the following situations who were previously found to be abusive or neglectful. How likely do you think each would be able to ensure their children are safe and appropriately cared for if they were provided appropriate supports? SUMMARY TABLE OF VERY / SOMEWHAT LIKELY (NET)
24	20	Q220. Think about parents in the following situations who were previously found to be abusive or neglectful. How likely do you think each would be able to ensure their children are safe and appropriately cared for if they were provided appropriate supports? SUMMARY TABLE OF VERY LIKELY
25	21	Q220_1. Think about parents in the following situations who were previously found to be abusive or neglectful. How likely do you think each would be able to ensure their children are safe and appropriately cared for if they were provided appropriate supports? 1. Parents living in poverty or experiencing homelessness
26	22	Q220_2. Think about parents in the following situations who were previously found to be abusive or neglectful. How likely do you think each would be able to ensure their children are safe and appropriately cared for if they were provided appropriate supports? 2. Parents with untreated or undiagnosed mental health issues
27	23	Q220_3. Think about parents in the following situations who were previously found to be abusive or neglectful. How likely do you think each would be able to ensure their children are safe and appropriately cared for if they were provided appropriate supports? 3. Parents with substance abuse issues
28	24	Q220_4. Think about parents in the following situations who were previously found to be abusive or neglectful. How likely do you think each would be able to ensure their children are safe and appropriately cared for if they were provided appropriate supports? 4. Parents with a history of physically abusive behavior
29	25	Q220_5. Think about parents in the following situations who were previously found to be abusive or neglectful. How likely do you think each would be able to ensure their children are safe and appropriately cared for if they were provided appropriate supports? 5. Parents with a history of emotionally/verbally abusive behavior
30	26	Q220_6. Think about parents in the following situations who were previously found to be abusive or neglectful. How likely do you think each would be able to ensure their children are safe and appropriately cared for if they were provided appropriate supports? 6. Parents with a criminal history (felony charges/non-misdemeanor)
31	27	Q300. How familiar would you say you are with the child welfare system as a whole?
32	28	Q302. In an ideal world, which of the following statements most closely reflects your position on what the primary purpose of the child welfare system in this country should be?
33	29	Q305. Consider a situation where you suspected or knew that a child was being or had been abused or neglected. Which of the following is the minimum level of evidence you would need to feel comfortable filing a report? Please select one.
34	30	Q310. In your opinion, which of the following statements most closely reflects your position on how the U.S. child welfare system should work when deciding whether or not to investigate reports of abuse or neglect in these scenarios? Please select one.

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35	31	Q315. Do you believe that any of these scenarios should lead to an investigation by child welfare authorities? Please select one for each row. SUMMARY TABLE OF CHILD WELFARE SHOULD INVESTIGATE
36	32	Q315. Do you believe that any of these scenarios should lead to an investigation by child welfare authorities? Please select one for each row. SUMMARY TABLE OF OTHER GOVERNMENT OR COMMUNITY AGENCY SHOULD SUPPORT
37	33	Q315_1. Do you believe that any of these scenarios should lead to an investigation by child welfare authorities? Please select one for each row. 1. When a newborn shows signs of exposure to substance use during pregnancy (e.g., withdrawal symptoms, testing positive for drugs, being diagnosed with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder, etc.) after being born.
38	34	Q315_2. Do you believe that any of these scenarios should lead to an investigation by child welfare authorities? Please select one for each row. 2. When a child regularly says they have had to skip meals because there isn't any food at home.
39	35	Q315_3. Do you believe that any of these scenarios should lead to an investigation by child welfare authorities? Please select one for each row. 3. When a child has bruises, cuts, burns, or other indications of physical harm.
40	36	Q315_4. Do you believe that any of these scenarios should lead to an investigation by child welfare authorities? Please select one for each row. 4. When a family with children is experiencing homelessness.
41	37	Q315_5. Do you believe that any of these scenarios should lead to an investigation by child welfare authorities? Please select one for each row. 5. When there is evidence that a child routinely lacks basic hygiene.
42	38	Q315_6. Do you believe that any of these scenarios should lead to an investigation by child welfare authorities? Please select one for each row. 6. When there is evidence of a child's parent(s) abusing substances.
43	39	Q315_7. Do you believe that any of these scenarios should lead to an investigation by child welfare authorities? Please select one for each row. 7. When there is evidence of a child's parent(s) facing mental health challenges that could affect their ability to care for their children.
44	40	Q315_8. Do you believe that any of these scenarios should lead to an investigation by child welfare authorities? Please select one for each row. 8. When there is evidence of domestic violence/spousal abuse occurring in the child's home.
45	41	Q315_9. Do you believe that any of these scenarios should lead to an investigation by child welfare authorities? Please select one for each row. 9. When a young child is left home alone unattended or unsupervised for any extended period of time.
46	42	Q320. In your opinion, which of the following is the minimum amount of evidence that child welfare authorities should need in order to conduct an investigation? Please select one.
47	43	Q325. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. child welfare system? SUMMARY TABLE OF STRONGLY / SOMEWHAT AGREE (NET)
48	44	Q325. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. child welfare system? SUMMARY TABLE OF STRONGLY AGREE
49	45	Q325_1. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. child welfare system? 1. Too often, decisions on whether the child welfare system should intervene in families are influenced by racial biases.
50	46	Q325_2. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. child welfare system? 2. Too often, decisions on whether the child welfare system should intervene in families are influenced by socioeconomic/poverty biases.
51	47	Q330. Which of the following statements best reflects who you think is most effective at responding to concerns of child abuse and neglect? Please select one.
52	48	Q400. Regardless of their current role, which of the following agencies or organizations do you think should be primarily responsible for the following activities? SUMMARY TABLE OF MOSTLY GOVERNMENT AGENCIES
53	49	Q400. Regardless of their current role, which of the following agencies or organizations do you think should be primarily responsible for the following activities? SUMMARY TABLE OF MOSTLY COMMUNITY/RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS
54	50	Q400. Regardless of their current role, which of the following agencies or organizations do you think should be primarily responsible for the following activities? SUMMARY TABLE OF EQUALLY GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY/RELIGIOUS ORGS
55	51	Q400_1. Regardless of their current role, which of the following agencies or organizations do you think should be primarily responsible for the following activities? 1. Meeting the needs of families to prevent abuse or neglect
56	52	Q400_2. Regardless of their current role, which of the following agencies or organizations do you think should be primarily responsible for the following activities? 2. Conducting investigations into allegations of abuse or neglect
57	53	Q400_3. Regardless of their current role, which of the following agencies or organizations do you think should be primarily responsible for the following activities? 3. Ensuring that children who cannot safely remain with their parents have a temporary alternative home
58	54	Q400_4. Regardless of their current role, which of the following agencies or organizations do you think should be primarily responsible for the following activities? 4. Meeting the needs of children and parents who have been reported for abuse and neglect so that they can remain together
59	55	Q400_5. Regardless of their current role, which of the following agencies or organizations do you think should be primarily responsible for the following activities? 5. Finding alternative permanent homes for children who cannot be cared for by their parents
60	56	Q500. Consider what you know about the current U.S. child welfare system. From which of the following sources have you learned what you know? Please select all that apply.
61	57	Q505. And, which of these sources have you relied on most to inform what you know about the current U.S. child welfare system? Please select one.
62	58	Q510. Overall, how positive or negative is your perception of the current U.S. child welfare system?
63	59	Q525. Overall, how would you rate how the current U.S. child welfare system functions?
64	60	Q530. How much of a challenge do you see the following when it comes to the obstacles that the current U.S. child welfare system faces. Please select one for each row. SUMMARY TABLE OF A SIGNIFICANT/ SOMEWHAT OF A CHALLENGE (NET)

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65	61	Q530_1. How much of a challenge do you see the following when it comes to the obstacles that the current U.S. child welfare system faces. Please select one for each row. 1. Incompetent leadership
66	62	Q530_2. How much of a challenge do you see the following when it comes to the obstacles that the current U.S. child welfare system faces. Please select one for each row. 2. Incompetent/inexperienced caseworkers
67	63	Q530_3. How much of a challenge do you see the following when it comes to the obstacles that the current U.S. child welfare system faces. Please select one for each row. 3. Too much bureaucracy/red tape
68	64	Q530_4. How much of a challenge do you see the following when it comes to the obstacles that the current U.S. child welfare system faces. Please select one for each row. 4. Limited funding
69	65	Q530_5. How much of a challenge do you see the following when it comes to the obstacles that the current U.S. child welfare system faces. Please select one for each row. 5. Lack of resources/staffing
70	66	Q530_6. How much of a challenge do you see the following when it comes to the obstacles that the current U.S. child welfare system faces. Please select one for each row. 6. Lack of community support
71	67	Q530_7. How much of a challenge do you see the following when it comes to the obstacles that the current U.S. child welfare system faces. Please select one for each row. 7. Lack of services to meet the needs of parents and children (e.g., counseling/mental health services, etc.)
72	68	Q530_8. How much of a challenge do you see the following when it comes to the obstacles that the current U.S. child welfare system faces. Please select one for each row. 8. Racial biases
73	69	Q530_9. How much of a challenge do you see the following when it comes to the obstacles that the current U.S. child welfare system faces. Please select one for each row. 9. The stigma of working for child welfare impeding workers doing their job
74	70	Q535. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. child welfare system? SUMMARY TABLE OF STRONGLY / SOMEWHAT AGREE (NET)
75	71	Q535. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. child welfare system? SUMMARY TABLE OF STRONGLY AGREE
76	72	Q535_1. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. child welfare system? 1. The child welfare system faces the nearly impossible task of balancing the needs of families with the safety of children.
77	73	Q535_2. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. child welfare system? 2. The child welfare system is an example of government overreach.
78	74	Q535_3. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. child welfare system? 3. The child welfare system perpetuates the oppression of marginalized populations.
79	75	Q535_4. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. child welfare system? 4. The child welfare system only gets attention when something bad happens.
80	76	Q535_5. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. child welfare system? 5. The child welfare system is simply overwhelmed and lacks resources.
81	77	Q535_6. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. child welfare system? 6. The child welfare system has strong community and public support.
82	78	Q535_7. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. child welfare system? 7. The child welfare system does more good than harm.
83	79	Q605. In your opinion, which of the following statements most closely reflects your position on how the U.S. foster care system should work when it comes to considering removing a child from their families? Please select one.
84	80	Q615. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. foster care system? SUMMARY TABLE OF STRONGLY / SOMEWHAT AGREE (NET)
85	81	Q615. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. foster care system? SUMMARY TABLE OF STRONGLY AGREE
86	82	Q615_1. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. foster care system? 1. Child welfare authorities should identify extended family members to take in children when problems arise before resorting to foster care with somebody the child does not already know.
87	83	Q615_2. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. foster care system? 2. Child welfare authorities should be wary of relying on the help of the extended family members who are related to the parent who is neglecting or abusing their child.
88	84	Q615_3. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. foster care system? 3. Extended family members should receive similar screening, support and resources as foster parents when they take on full-time care of children.
89	85	Q620. In your opinion, which of the following statements most closely reflects your position on how the U.S foster care system should work when deciding how long parents should be given to address challenges? Please select one.
90	86	Q625. Typically, parents are given approximately 15 months to show that they are addressing the issues that interfere with their ability to provide adequate parenting while their children are kept in temporary foster care. In your opinion, do you feel that this is too much, too little, or enough time?
91	87	Q630. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. adoption system? SUMMARY TABLE OF STRONGLY / SOMEWHAT AGREE (NET)
92	88	Q630. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. adoption system? SUMMARY TABLE OF STRONGLY AGREE
93	89	Q630_1. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. adoption system? 1. Once a child is adopted from foster care, it is better for them to avoid contact with their biological parents/families.
94	90	Q630_2. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. adoption system? 2. Adoptive parents should help their adopted children maintain ongoing and safe relationships with their biological parents/families.
95	91	Q630_3. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. adoption system? 3. Children should not be adopted to an adoptive family until all extended family/kin options have been exhausted first.
96	92	Q630_4. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the U.S. adoption system? 4. Adoption agencies should make every effort to recruit families that share the race and ethnicity of the child(ren) in foster care before placing them with a family outside of their culture or ethnicity.

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97	93	Q800. Are you...?
98	94	Q802. And do you consider yourself to be a transgender individual?
99	95	Q804. Which of the following best describes the area where you live?
100	96	Q805. Regardless of how you may vote, what do you usually consider yourself?
101	97	Q810. Again thinking about your political leanings, how would you describe your political philosophy?
102	98	Q815. Generally speaking, do you consider yourself to be more of a supporter of Donald Trump or more of a supporter of the Republican Party?
103	99	Q820. Overall, how big of a role does your religion or spirituality play in your life?
104	100	Q825. What personal experience, if any, do you have with the U.S. child welfare system? Please select all that apply.
105	101	Q825. What personal experience, if any, do you have with the U.S. child welfare system? Please select all that apply.
106	102	EDUCATION: What is the highest level of education you have completed?
107	103	INCOME: How much total combined income did all members of your household earn before taxes last year?
108	104	MARITAL STATUS: What is your marital status?
109	105	ADULTS IN HH: Including yourself, how many people age 18 or older live in your household? If you live in more than one household, please answer for only one of the households.
110	106	CHILDREN IN HH: How many people under the age of 18 live in your household?
111	107	DMPARENT. Are you the parent/legal guardian of any of these children?
112	108	EMPLOYMENT: Which of the following best describes your employment status?