## INDEPENDENT CENTER

2024 Nationwide Survey of LGBTQ+ Adults<br>Online survey among n600 LGBTQ+ Adults,<br>with n50 oversamples in each of Arizona, Georgia, and Pennsylvania

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Field Dates: 02/22-28/2024
Margin of error: $\pm 4.0 \%$

## SCREENER SECTION

You have been selected to participate in a survey on a confidential basis. This is a rare opportunity to voice your opinions. Your responses will be kept confidential; you are not being asked to buy anything or donate money. We simply want to know what you think and how you feel.

Screener 1: Are you, or is anyone in your household, employed by the news media, a market research firm, an elected official, or actively involved with political campaigns?

100\% No (continue)

LGBTQ+ Do you consider yourself to be lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer or questioning?
100\% Yes (Continue)

Screener 2: Are you currently registered to vote?
85\% Yes
15\% No

## GENERAL SENTIMENT

GS1. At this time next year, do you think that you will personally be (ROTATE) better or worse (END ROTATE) off than you are today?

| $\mathbf{6 2 \%}$ | Total Better off |
| ---: | :--- |
| $\mathbf{2 4 \%}$ | Much better off |
| $\mathbf{3 8 \%}$ | Somewhat better off |
| $\mathbf{2 3 \%}$ | Total Worse off |
| $\mathbf{1 5 \%}$ | Somewhat worse off |
| $9 \%$ | Much worse off |
| $\mathbf{1 5 \%}$ | Unsure |

GS2. At this time next year, do you think America will be (ROTATE) better or worse (END ROTATE) off than it is today?

38\% Total Better off
10\% Much better off
$28 \%$ Somewhat better off
37\% Total Worse off
25\% Somewhat worse off
12\% Much worse off
25\% Unsure

GS3. Do you (ROTATE) approve or disapprove (END ROTATE) of the job President Joe Biden is doing?
47\% Total Approve
19\% Strongly approve
27\% Somewhat approve
47\% Total Disapprove
22\% Somewhat disapprove
25\% Strongly disapprove
6\% Unsure

GS4. Do you (ROTATE) approve or disapprove (END ROTATE) of the job the U.S. Congress is doing?
22\% Total Approve
7\% Strongly approve
15\% Somewhat approve
64\% Total Disapprove
34\% Somewhat disapprove
30\% Strongly disapprove
14\% Unsure

GS5. On the following scale, please indicate where you see yourself politically.
(DO NOT SHOW numeric scale....)

| $19 \%$ | $0=$ progressive liberal / Strong Democrat |
| ---: | :--- |
| $9 \%$ | 1 |
| $8 \%$ | 2 |
| $8 \%$ | 3 |
| $7 \%$ | 4 |
| $30 \%$ | $5=$ Moderate Centrist / Independent |
| $4 \%$ | 6 |
| $3 \%$ | 7 |
| $5 \%$ | 8 |
| $3 \%$ | 9 |
| $6 \%$ | $10=$ Staunch-Conservative / Strong Republican |

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Mean = 3.9
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GS7. On the following scale, please indicate how you see yourself voting in future elections.
(DO NOT SHOW numeric scale....)

| $24 \%$ | $0=$ Exclusively vote for Democratic candidates |
| ---: | :--- |
| $10 \%$ | 1 |
| $7 \%$ | 2 |
| $5 \%$ | 3 |
| $6 \%$ | 4 |
| $25 \%$ | $5=$ Vote Independent $/$ split ticket |
| $5 \%$ | 6 |
| $4 \%$ | 7 |
| $4 \%$ | 8 |
| $2 \%$ | 9 |
| $8 \%$ | $10=$ Exclusively vote for Republican candidates |
| Mean = | 3.8 |

GS8. In the perfect world, where on the following scale, would you like to see America's elected officials stand politically?
(DO NOT SHOW numeric scale....)

| $17 \%$ | $0=$ progressive liberal / Strong Democrat |
| ---: | :--- |
| $7 \%$ | 1 |
| $9 \%$ | 2 |
| $10 \%$ | 3 |
| $8 \%$ | 4 |
| $30 \%$ | $5=$ Moderate Centrist / Independent |
| $4 \%$ | 6 |
| $5 \%$ | 7 |
| $3 \%$ | 8 |
| $2 \%$ | 9 |
| $6 \%$ | $10=$ Staunch-Conservative / Strong Republican |
|  |  |
| Mean = | 3.9 |

## POLITICAL SENTIMENT

Thinking ahead to the general election in November...
NE1. If this year's presidential election were between (ROTATE) Republican Donald Trump (or) Democrat Joe Biden (END VOTE), how would you vote?

| $\mathbf{2 8 \%}$ | Trump |
| ---: | :--- |
| $21 \%$ | Definitely Trump |
| $\mathbf{7 \%} \%$ | Lean Trump |
| $\mathbf{5 7 \%} \%$ | Biden |
| $\mathbf{1 3 \%}$ | Lean Biden |
| $\mathbf{4 3 \%}$ | Definitely Biden |
| $\mathbf{1 6 \%}$ | Unsure / Other |

NE2. If this year's presidential election were between (ROTATE) Republican Donald Trump, Democrat Joe Biden, an Independent / third-party candidate (END VOTE), how would you vote?

21\% Independent
10\% Definitely Independent
12\% Lean Independent
22\% Trump
18\% Definitely Trump
4\% Lean Trump
44\% Biden
32\% Definitely Biden
12\% Lean Biden
13\% Unsure

F9. If this year's congressional election were between (ROTATE) a Republican, A Democrat, an Independent / third-party candidate (END VOTE), how would you vote?

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20% Independent
    9% Definitely Independent
10% Lean Independent
19% Republican
12% Definitely Republican
    6% Lean Republican
45% Democrat
34% Definitely Democrat
11% Lean Democrat
17% Unsure
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F10. Which of the following do you think would be the best candidate to represent you and your neighbors in Congress? (RANDOMIZE 1-3)

11\% A candidate who works and votes with the Republicans in Congress.
28\% A candidate who works and votes with the Democrats in Congress.
44\% A candidate who works and votes with both Republicans and Democrats in Congress.
17\% Unsure

## ISSUE IMPORTANCE

II1. Of the following, what would you say is the most pressing issue in America today? (RANDOMIZE 1-12)
24\% Jobs and the economy
13\% Immigration
12\% Abortion
10\% Health care
8\% Government leadership
6\% Energy and the environment
6\% Taxes and government spending
4\% Police reform and criminal justice
4\% National security
3\% Education
3\% Social reforms
2\% Free speech and censorship
4\% None of the above
2\% Refused

Moving on...
II15: Thinking ahead to November's Presidential election, which of the following do you think will have the biggest impact on your vote? (RANDOMIZE 1-12)

19\% Candidates' stance on jobs and the economy
15\% Candidates' stance on abortion
10\% Candidates' stance on immigration
8\% Candidates' stance on government leadership
6\% Candidates' stance on health care
6\% Candidates' stance on energy and the environment
6\% Candidates' stance on taxes and government spending
5\% Candidates' stance on social reforms
4\% Candidates' stance on national security
4\% Candidates' stance on police reform and criminal justice
3\% Candidates' stance on free speech and censorship
1\% Candidates' stance on education
10\% None of the above
4\% Refused

## NEXT ELECTION SERIES

NE1. Do you plan on voting in the 2024 election? (ROTATE 1-2)
76\% Yes

13\% No
12\% Unsure

## (ROTATE NEXT TWO)

NE8. How does President Biden's stance on LGBTQ+ issues impact your vote? (ROTATE 1-2)
41\% Biden's stance on LGBTQ+ issues make me more likely to support him
7\% Biden's stance on LGBTQ+ issues make me less likely to support him
21\% Biden's stance on LGBTQ+ issues has no impact on my vote
22\% I don't know Biden's stance on LGBTQ+ issues
10\% Unsure

NE9. How does Donald Trump's stance on LGBTQ+ issues impact your vote? (ROTATE 1-2)
8\% Trump's stance on LGBTQ+ issues make me more likely to support him
$38 \% \quad$ Trump's stance on LGBTQ+ issues make me less likely to support him
20\% Trump's stance on LGBTQ+ issues has no impact on my vote
22\% I don't know Trump's stance on LGBTQ+ issues
12\% Unsure

## (END ROTATE)

NE10. Which party do you believe does a better job at addressing the needs and concerns of LGBTQ+ individuals? (ROTATE 1-2)

54\% The Democratic party
9\% The Republican party
22\% Neither party does a good job at addressing LGBTQ+ needs and concerns
15\% Unsure

NE11. How important are LGBTQ+ issues in comparison to other issues that will decide how you vote? (ROTATE 1-4,4-1)

17\% LGBTQ+ issues are the most important issues to my vote
$56 \% \quad$ LGBTQ+ issues are important, but other issues are equally important
9\% LGBTQ+ issues are not that important
8\% LGBTQ+ issues are not important at all to my vote
11\% Unsure

NE12. Do you think America has gone in the right or wrong direction over the last 10 years in terms of LGBTQ+ issues? (ROTATE 1-4,4-1)

54\% Right Direction
13\% Strongly right direction
41\% Somewhat right direction
31\% Wrong Direction
19\% Somewhat wrong direction
12\% Strongly wrong direction
15\% Unsure

NE13. Do you believe America will be more or less accepting of LGBTQ+ people in 10 years? (ROTATE 1-4,4-1)

| $\mathbf{6 9 \%} \%$ | More Accepting |
| ---: | :--- |
| $31 \%$ | Much more accepting |
| $39 \%$ | Somewhat more accepting |
|  |  |
| $15 \%$ | Less Accepting |
| $5 \%$ | Somewhat less accepting |
|  | Much less accepting |
| $16 \%$ | Unsure |

NE14: Thinking ahead to November's Presidential election, which of the following specific issues would you like to see candidates focusing their efforts on? (SELECT ALL THAT APPLY) (RANDOMIZE 1-10)

52\% Affordability / inflation
44\% LGBTQ+ issues
40\% Health care reform
37\% Discrimination / equality
30\% Safety / criminal reforms
26\% Cannabis legalization
26\% Social security reform
19\% Social reforms
13\% Paid maternity / paternity leave
13\% Training and apprenticeship work programs
9\% Other
4\% None of the above
2\% Refused

M1. How do you view the current political climate in America? (ROTATE 1-4, 4-1)

| $\mathbf{2 1 \%} \%$ | Positive |
| :--- | :--- |
| $6 \%$ | Very positively |
| $15 \%$ | Somewhat positively |
|  |  |
| $\mathbf{6 4 \%}$ | Negative |
| $32 \%$ | Somewhat negatively |
| $32 \%$ | Very negatively |
|  |  |
| $15 \%$ | Unsure |

M2. PLEASE, SELECT ALL THAT APPLY: In the past few years, have you left or considered leaving your state due to the state's policies?

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(ALLOW MULTIPLE RESPONSES FOR 1,2)
    33% Yes, I have thought about leaving my current state
    6% Yes, I left my (former) state
62% No
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(ONLY IF RESPONSE 1, 2 FROM PREVIOUS)
M3. PLEASE, SELECT ALL THAT APPLY: What was the primary reason for leaving or thinking about moving to another state? (RANDOMIZE RESPONSES 1-7; ALLOW FOR MULTIPLE RESPONSES)
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31\% Lower cost of living
21\% More open-minded / accepting public
13\% Better jobs and opportunities
13\% Elected leaders who are more aligned with my personal values
6\% Lower taxes
6\% Less crime and safer communities
3\% Better schools
6\% Other
1\% Unsure

You will now read a list of potential candidates running for President of the United States. After each, please indicate how (ROTATE) scared or comforted (END ROTATE) you would feel for America's well-being and global standing if the candidate were to become the next President of the United States.
(RANDOMIZE NEXT THREE)
F1. Donald Trump

| $\mathbf{2 8 \%} \%$ | Total Comforted |
| :---: | :--- |
| $16 \%$ | Very comforted |
| $\mathbf{1 2 \%}$ | Somewhat comforted |
| $\mathbf{6 4 \%}$ |  |
| $10 \%$ | Total Scared |
| $\mathbf{5 4 \%}$ | Somewhat scared |
|  | Very scared |
| $1 \%$ | Never heard of |
| $7 \%$ | Unsure |

F2. Joe Biden

| $\mathbf{4 9 \%}$ | Total Comforted |
| :---: | :--- |
| $24 \%$ | Very comforted |
| $\mathbf{2 5 \%}$ | Somewhat comforted |
| $\mathbf{4 2 \%}$ | Total Scared |
| $19 \%$ | Somewhat scared |
| $\mathbf{2 3 \%}$ | Very scared |
|  |  |
| $2 \%$ | Never heard of |
| $8 \%$ | Unsure |

F3 A nonpartisan politician that works with both sides of the aisle
56\% Total Comforted
19\% Very comforted
37\% Somewhat comforted
19\% Total Scared
13\% Somewhat scared
6\% Very scared
7\% Never heard of
19\% Unsure
Next... please tell us if you agree or disagree with the following statements.
(ROTATE NEXT TWO QUESTIONS)
F4. "The Republican party is ready to deliver stable and effective government if they were to win the next election." (ROTATE 1-4,4-1)

29\% Total Agree
13\% Strongly agree
16\% Somewhat agree
58\% Total Disagree
17\% Somewhat disagree
41\% Strongly disagree
13\% Unsure

F5. "The Democratic party is ready to deliver stable and effective government if they were to win the next election." (ROTATE 1-4,4-1)

51\% Total Agree
26\% Strongly agree
25\% Somewhat agree
36\% Total Disagree
18\% Somewhat disagree
17\% Strongly disagree
13\% Unsure

## DEMOGRAPHICS SECTION

## (ASK FULL SAMPLE)

Now just a few questions to make sure we have a representative sample:

| Gender | Your gender identification? |
| :---: | :---: |
| 54\% | Female |
| 43\% | Male |
| 3\% | Other |
| Screener 3: | In what year were you born? |
| Age Range | IF UNSURE OR REFUSED, ASK: Which of the following categories best describes your age? |
| 16\% | 18 to 24 |
| 11\% | 25 to 29 |
| 23\% | 30 to 39 |
| 22\% | 40 to 49 |
| 20\% | 50 to 64 |
| 9\% | 65 or older |
| Ethnicity | Do you consider yourself to be of Hispanic or Latino descent, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or some other Central or Latin American background? |
| 10\% | Yes |
| 89\% | No |
| 1\% | Unsure |
| Race | And which of the following best describes your racial background? |
| 68\% | White or Caucasian |
| 19\% | Black or African American |
| 5\% | Hispanic |
| 4\% | Asian or Pacific Islander |
| 2\% | Native American |
| 2\% | Other |

Party ID: In politics today, and regardless of how you are registered, do you consider yourself to be a... (ROTATE 1-7: TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP)

| 39\% | Democratic |
| :---: | :---: |
| 30\% | Strong Democrat |
| 10\% | Not so strong Democrat |
| 39\% | Independent |
| 12\% | Independent leaning Democrat |
| 20\% | Independent |
| 7\% | Independent leaning Republican |
| 13\% | Republican |
| 5\% | Not so strong Republican |
| 8\% | Strong Republican |
| 4\% | Other |
| 5\% | Unsure |
| Ideology: | Thinking for a moment about your social, economic, and political views...Do you consider yourself to be... (ROTATE VALUES 1-5; TOP-TO-BOTTOM / BOTTOM-TO-TOP)? |
| 45\% | Liberal |
| 25\% | Very Liberal |
| 20\% | Somewhat Liberal |
| 33\% | Moderate |
| 12\% | Conservative |
| 8\% | Somewhat Conservative |
| 4\% | Very Conservative |
| 2\% | Libertarian |
| 8\% | Unsure |
| 2020 Vote | For whom did you vote in the 2020 Presidential election (ROTATE 1-2)? |
| 19\% | Donald Trump |
| 50\% | Joe Biden |
| 4\% | Someone Else |
| 22\% | Did not vote |
| 1\% | Don't recall |
| 3\% | Refused |
| Education | What is the highest level of formal education that you have completed? |
| 6\% | Less than high school |
| 30\% | High school graduate |
| 23\% | Some college |
| 12\% | College graduate with associate or 2-year degree |
| 19\% | College graduate with bachelor's or 4-year degree |
| 6\% | Post-graduate degree |
| 2\% | Technical or vocational school graduate |
| 2\% | Unsure |

$\left.\begin{array}{rl}\text { Marital Status } & \text { What would best describe your marital status? } \\ 58 \% & \begin{array}{l}\text { Single or never married } \\ 21 \% \\ 4 \%\end{array} \\ 10 \% & \begin{array}{l}\text { Married } \\ \text { Separated } \\ 4 \% \\ 4 \%\end{array}\end{array} \begin{array}{ll}\text { Divorced } \\ \text { Widowed } \\ \text { Other }\end{array}\right]$

