

Hoover Institution Golden State Poll

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1. Family finances over the last year *California residents, aged 18 and over*

Thinking about your own family's finances over the last year, would you say that you and your family are:

	Total	Age				Race				Gender		Education		
		18-34	35-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Male	Female	HS or Less	Some College	College Graduate
Better off financially than you were a year ago	20%	23%	30%	14%	9%	20%	24%	21%	14%	19%	20%	17%	18%	24%
About the same financially as you were a year ago	49%	47%	41%	53%	58%	51%	39%	43%	73%	53%	46%	48%	48%	51%
Worse off financially than you were a year ago	26%	19%	24%	31%	33%	27%	23%	28%	11%	22%	29%	26%	29%	23%
Not sure	6%	12%	4%	2%	1%	3%	14%	8%	2%	7%	5%	10%	4%	2%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1695)	(536)	(290)	(558)	(311)	(883)	(117)	(472)	(98)	(789)	(906)	(567)	(410)	(718)

	Total	Party ID			Ideology			Employment		Family Income		
		Dem	Rep	Ind	Lib	Mod	Con	Full & Self	Part & Un	Under 40	40-100	100+
Better off financially than you were a year ago	20%	20%	15%	25%	23%	23%	13%	29%	20%	16%	23%	33%
About the same financially as you were a year ago	49%	55%	41%	48%	55%	51%	42%	52%	43%	43%	56%	50%
Worse off financially than you were a year ago	26%	21%	39%	24%	19%	21%	41%	17%	31%	34%	20%	17%
Not sure	6%	5%	5%	3%	4%	5%	4%	2%	5%	6%	1%	0%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1695)	(732)	(361)	(440)	(582)	(517)	(447)	(668)	(331)	(559)	(595)	(291)

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2. Family finances next six months *California residents, aged 18 and over*

Thinking ahead, what would you guess your family's finances will be like 6 months from now? Will you be:

	Total	Age				Race				Gender		Education		
		18-34	35-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Male	Female	HS or Less	Some College	College Graduate
Better off financially in six months	26%	33%	39%	18%	14%	23%	40%	32%	18%	28%	24%	28%	21%	28%
About the same financially in six months	50%	46%	40%	53%	65%	52%	39%	46%	63%	47%	52%	46%	59%	49%
Worse off financially in six months	15%	10%	11%	22%	18%	17%	12%	12%	15%	17%	13%	15%	12%	17%
Not sure	9%	11%	10%	8%	4%	9%	9%	10%	4%	8%	10%	12%	8%	6%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1688)	(535)	(289)	(557)	(307)	(879)	(116)	(470)	(98)	(787)	(901)	(563)	(409)	(716)

	Total	Party ID			Ideology			Employment		Family Income		
		Dem	Rep	Ind	Lib	Mod	Con	Full & Self	Part & Un	Under 40	40-100	100+
Better off financially in six months	26%	33%	19%	26%	31%	32%	15%	32%	27%	26%	25%	35%
About the same financially in six months	50%	50%	48%	49%	55%	45%	52%	50%	43%	46%	55%	47%
Worse off financially in six months	15%	9%	25%	18%	5%	17%	28%	14%	19%	20%	12%	15%
Not sure	9%	8%	9%	7%	9%	6%	5%	4%	12%	8%	8%	2%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1688)	(728)	(359)	(441)	(581)	(514)	(445)	(668)	(329)	(555)	(591)	(291)

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3. Confidence in job mobility *California residents, aged 18 and over, who reported being full-time, part-time, or self-employed*

If you left your current job, how confident are you that you could find a new job in California in the next 6 months that pays as much as you are making now? Are you:

	Total	Age					Race				Gender		Education		
		18-34	35-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Male	Female	HS or Less	Some College	College Graduate	
Very confident	19%	27%	21%	10%	17%	17%	38%	26%	7%	21%	17%	23%	20%	16%	
Somewhat confident	30%	32%	32%	26%	27%	28%	22%	33%	38%	28%	31%	28%	32%	29%	
Somewhat unconfident	21%	18%	25%	20%	26%	22%	13%	15%	32%	18%	24%	17%	12%	27%	
Not at all confident	24%	17%	15%	38%	25%	29%	20%	21%	10%	26%	22%	24%	29%	23%	
Not sure	6%	6%	7%	6%	6%	5%	7%	5%	14%	7%	6%	8%	7%	5%	
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
(Unweighted N)	(855)	(272)	(200)	(316)	(67)	(448)	(66)	(240)	(45)	(424)	(431)	(202)	(188)	(465)	

	Total	Party ID			Ideology			Employment		Family Income		
		Dem	Rep	Ind	Lib	Mod	Con	Full & Self	Part	Under 40	40-100	100+
Very confident	19%	21%	19%	16%	21%	17%	17%	20%	15%	19%	17%	25%
Somewhat confident	30%	33%	27%	27%	30%	34%	23%	26%	42%	33%	30%	24%
Somewhat unconfident	21%	23%	18%	20%	28%	20%	18%	22%	17%	17%	22%	22%
Not at all confident	24%	21%	31%	26%	16%	19%	40%	25%	23%	23%	25%	27%
Not sure	6%	3%	6%	11%	6%	11%	2%	7%	3%	8%	5%	1%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(855)	(387)	(168)	(239)	(328)	(263)	(212)	(666)	(189)	(219)	(359)	(195)

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4. Family finances compared to others in community *California residents, aged 18 and over*

Thinking about your family's overall financial situation, how would you say your family is doing compared to others in your community? Are you doing:

	Total	Age					Race				Gender		Education		
		18-34	35-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Male	Female	HS or Less	Some College	College Graduate	
Better than others	16%	16%	11%	17%	16%	18%	12%	17%	8%	17%	14%	13%	12%	21%	
About the same as others	51%	50%	57%	47%	59%	48%	52%	48%	75%	51%	52%	48%	57%	52%	
Not as well as others	23%	21%	20%	28%	23%	25%	19%	22%	15%	24%	22%	27%	21%	20%	
Not sure	10%	14%	12%	8%	3%	8%	18%	13%	2%	8%	12%	12%	10%	8%	
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
(Unweighted N)	(1696)	(535)	(290)	(560)	(311)	(885)	(117)	(472)	(97)	(790)	(906)	(568)	(409)	(719)	

	Total	Party ID			Ideology			Employment		Family Income		
		Dem	Rep	Ind	Lib	Mod	Con	Full & Self	Part & Un	Under 40	40-100	100+
Better than others	16%	17%	16%	16%	19%	15%	16%	22%	7%	8%	17%	40%
About the same as others	51%	47%	56%	54%	48%	53%	57%	55%	46%	46%	58%	49%
Not as well as others	23%	27%	21%	19%	25%	22%	23%	17%	31%	36%	18%	8%
Not sure	10%	9%	8%	11%	9%	10%	5%	6%	16%	11%	7%	3%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1696)	(731)	(361)	(442)	(581)	(518)	(447)	(669)	(330)	(559)	(595)	(291)

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5. California government as a model for other states *Most likely voter subsample*

How do you feel about the following statement: Generally speaking, the way state government runs in California serves as a good model for other states to follow?

	Total	Age					Race				Gender		Education		
		18-34	35-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Male	Female	HS or Less	Some College	College Graduate	
Approve strongly	14%	9%	16%	15%	13%	14%	22%	13%	13%	14%	13%	12%	11%	16%	
Approve somewhat	19%	31%	22%	18%	15%	22%	21%	11%	26%	19%	19%	8%	22%	22%	
Neither approve nor disapprove	18%	29%	20%	14%	17%	16%	34%	25%	7%	15%	21%	24%	15%	16%	
Disapprove somewhat	12%	13%	9%	12%	12%	12%	6%	17%	9%	7%	17%	12%	10%	12%	
Disapprove strongly	38%	18%	33%	40%	44%	37%	18%	35%	47%	45%	30%	44%	42%	35%	
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
(Unweighted N)	(955)	(136)	(132)	(419)	(268)	(635)	(61)	(154)	(35)	(469)	(486)	(202)	(229)	(524)	

	Total	Party ID			Ideology			Interest in News		Family Income		
		Dem	Rep	Ind	Lib	Mod	Con	Most time	Some or <	Under 40	40-100	100+
Approve strongly	14%	26%	2%	5%	29%	10%	2%	16%	7%	14%	14%	14%
Approve somewhat	19%	32%	3%	18%	35%	24%	2%	21%	14%	22%	17%	25%
Neither approve nor disapprove	18%	27%	9%	12%	26%	18%	9%	14%	28%	16%	22%	14%
Disapprove somewhat	12%	10%	15%	9%	7%	15%	14%	8%	22%	14%	10%	10%
Disapprove strongly	38%	5%	71%	55%	3%	33%	73%	41%	30%	34%	37%	37%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(955)	(447)	(250)	(244)	(360)	(261)	(318)	(653)	(297)	(223)	(367)	(213)

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6. Has Governor Brown been truthful about state budget *Most likely voter subsample*

In his 2011 inaugural speech, California Governor Jerry Brown said he would, “speak the truth. No more smoke and mirrors on the budget. No empty promises.” Four years later, do you think Governor Brown has handled the state budget as he promised?

	Total	Age				Race				Gender		Education		
		18-34	35-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Male	Female	HS or Less	Some College	College Graduate
Yes, he has been truthful	33%	35%	40%	35%	27%	37%	43%	24%	37%	35%	31%	18%	31%	39%
He has told the truth sometimes but not others	21%	27%	20%	22%	20%	25%	14%	21%	11%	20%	23%	17%	23%	22%
No, he has not been truthful	34%	21%	23%	37%	37%	30%	20%	41%	50%	36%	31%	41%	35%	31%
Not sure	12%	17%	18%	7%	16%	9%	22%	14%	3%	9%	15%	23%	12%	8%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(956)	(136)	(132)	(419)	(269)	(635)	(61)	(154)	(35)	(469)	(487)	(203)	(230)	(523)

	Total	Party ID			Ideology			Interest in News		Family Income		
		Dem	Rep	Ind	Lib	Mod	Con	Most time	Some or <	Under 40	40-100	100+
Yes, he has been truthful	33%	61%	5%	22%	65%	34%	5%	35%	29%	26%	31%	47%
He has told the truth sometimes but not others	21%	18%	23%	26%	16%	31%	21%	20%	26%	25%	24%	18%
No, he has not been truthful	34%	8%	66%	35%	5%	25%	64%	37%	25%	37%	30%	28%
Not sure	12%	13%	7%	18%	13%	10%	11%	9%	21%	12%	16%	8%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(956)	(447)	(252)	(243)	(360)	(260)	(320)	(654)	(297)	(223)	(368)	(213)

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7. Interest in Governor's State of the State address *Most likely voter subsample*

Governor Brown plans to deliver the annual State of the State Address in January. How interested are you in what the governor says in this speech? I will be:

	Total	Age					Race				Gender		Education		
		18-34	35-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Male	Female	HS or Less	Some College	College Graduate	
Very interested	24%	17%	24%	24%	27%	23%	35%	26%	24%	23%	26%	24%	23%	25%	
Somewhat interested	30%	38%	34%	30%	25%	35%	40%	18%	19%	30%	29%	14%	36%	33%	
Neither interested nor disinterested	13%	13%	18%	11%	13%	11%	6%	23%	13%	12%	13%	20%	8%	12%	
Somewhat disinterested	9%	17%	12%	8%	9%	11%	7%	8%	10%	11%	7%	3%	9%	12%	
Very disinterested	24%	15%	13%	27%	26%	20%	12%	26%	34%	24%	25%	38%	24%	19%	
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
(Unweighted N)	(956)	(136)	(132)	(420)	(268)	(635)	(61)	(154)	(35)	(469)	(487)	(203)	(230)	(523)	

	Total	Party ID			Ideology			Interest in News		Family Income		
		Dem	Rep	Ind	Lib	Mod	Con	Most time	Some or <	Under 40	40-100	100+
Very interested	24%	37%	13%	13%	34%	26%	14%	28%	15%	24%	23%	24%
Somewhat interested	30%	36%	24%	27%	40%	35%	18%	30%	30%	33%	24%	43%
Neither interested nor disinterested	13%	17%	9%	11%	16%	13%	9%	11%	18%	14%	16%	10%
Somewhat disinterested	9%	7%	11%	11%	7%	11%	11%	8%	14%	7%	14%	7%
Very disinterested	24%	3%	43%	38%	3%	16%	47%	24%	24%	23%	24%	15%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(956)	(447)	(252)	(243)	(359)	(261)	(320)	(654)	(297)	(223)	(367)	(213)

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8. Top priorities for California's state government (sheet 1) *Most likely voter subsample*

In his State of the State speech, Governor Brown will talk about what he thinks should be priorities for California's state government in 2015. Thinking about the issues facing California, what do you think should be a top priority, important but lower priority, not too important or should not be done?

% saying each is a "top priority"	Total	Age				Race				Gender		Education		
		18-34	35-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Male	Female	HS or Less	Some College	College Graduate
Strengthening the state's economy	72%	66%	77%	72%	74%	71%	74%	78%	76%	71%	75%	74%	70%	73%
Dealing with the state's water problems	69%	74%	62%	66%	74%	68%	65%	76%	72%	67%	72%	78%	67%	67%
Improving the job situation	66%	57%	69%	69%	65%	59%	82%	79%	77%	63%	70%	71%	70%	63%
Balancing the state's budget	61%	56%	58%	60%	66%	60%	71%	68%	55%	60%	63%	67%	64%	58%
Reducing influence of special interests on st. gov't	54%	32%	51%	52%	66%	53%	58%	54%	64%	58%	50%	60%	60%	50%
Dealing with the issue of illegal immigration	49%	32%	47%	49%	54%	47%	39%	42%	63%	50%	47%	56%	55%	44%
Improving state's roads, bridges, and public trans.	47%	43%	46%	49%	45%	52%	42%	32%	65%	50%	42%	44%	40%	50%
Improving the K-12 education system	46%	56%	52%	41%	48%	45%	60%	47%	53%	44%	49%	48%	46%	45%
Reforming the state's tax system	45%	29%	42%	44%	52%	40%	43%	43%	59%	48%	42%	56%	47%	40%
Reducing crime	44%	35%	38%	43%	51%	40%	48%	53%	76%	39%	50%	49%	48%	41%
Dealing with the state's energy problems	40%	41%	26%	42%	41%	36%	42%	43%	64%	40%	40%	50%	38%	37%
Helping the poor and needy people	37%	36%	32%	35%	43%	32%	55%	50%	41%	32%	44%	53%	41%	31%
Reducing state's costs for MediCal program	36%	28%	32%	33%	42%	29%	52%	46%	61%	33%	39%	48%	37%	30%
Improving the state's higher education system	36%	42%	42%	32%	37%	36%	56%	36%	44%	32%	41%	38%	35%	36%
Make public employee pension sys. fiscally sound	34%	21%	27%	32%	41%	32%	35%	28%	48%	36%	30%	41%	38%	29%
Protecting the environment	32%	40%	40%	32%	27%	35%	35%	31%	32%	29%	36%	21%	29%	37%
Reducing income inequality	29%	41%	40%	26%	27%	26%	51%	36%	38%	28%	32%	30%	32%	28%
Reforming the state's prison system	26%	31%	28%	27%	22%	28%	33%	17%	29%	26%	25%	21%	28%	27%
Dealing with global warming	26%	38%	33%	22%	25%	27%	36%	25%	32%	22%	30%	18%	24%	29%
Strengthening gun laws	26%	18%	28%	25%	28%	26%	45%	23%	50%	21%	31%	25%	23%	27%
Continuing the state's high speed rail project	16%	25%	19%	18%	10%	15%	30%	16%	23%	19%	13%	15%	12%	19%
(Unweighted N) for Strengthening state's economy	(945)	(131)	(129)	(416)	(269)	(631)	(61)	(150)	(32)	(463)	(482)	(200)	(226)	(519)

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9. Top priorities for California's state government (sheet 2) *Most likely voter subsample*

% saying each is a "top priority"	Total	Party ID			Ideology			Interest in News		Family Income		
		Dem	Rep	Ind	Lib	Mod	Con	Most time	Some or <	Under 40	40-100	100+
Strengthening the state's economy	72%	67%	84%	64%	66%	66%	81%	75%	66%	69%	71%	70%
Dealing with the state's water problems	69%	76%	61%	69%	81%	65%	62%	70%	66%	68%	78%	59%
Improving the job situation	66%	65%	77%	53%	61%	66%	71%	69%	59%	71%	63%	66%
Balancing the state's budget	61%	46%	84%	56%	39%	64%	78%	62%	58%	64%	54%	63%
Reducing influence of special interests on st. gov't	54%	52%	55%	59%	56%	51%	56%	56%	48%	56%	55%	48%
Dealing with the issue of illegal immigration	49%	26%	76%	50%	23%	42%	75%	50%	47%	49%	48%	40%
Improving state's roads, bridges, and public trans.	47%	55%	33%	54%	60%	46%	36%	46%	48%	44%	45%	53%
Improving the K-12 education system	46%	57%	37%	36%	61%	41%	35%	46%	46%	43%	47%	45%
Reforming the state's tax system	45%	25%	64%	56%	25%	41%	65%	45%	44%	44%	46%	42%
Reducing crime	44%	36%	59%	36%	31%	41%	57%	44%	43%	44%	43%	36%
Dealing with the state's energy problems	40%	43%	40%	34%	44%	34%	39%	42%	34%	34%	45%	34%
Helping the poor and needy people	37%	57%	21%	25%	63%	30%	19%	39%	34%	45%	39%	28%
Reducing state's costs for MediCal program	36%	37%	35%	34%	39%	35%	33%	37%	32%	36%	36%	29%
Improving the state's higher education system	36%	47%	28%	27%	52%	34%	23%	35%	39%	33%	36%	38%
Make public employee pension sys. fiscally sound	34%	28%	37%	41%	26%	34%	41%	35%	31%	30%	34%	36%
Protecting the environment	32%	54%	7%	27%	61%	30%	8%	33%	30%	29%	33%	36%
Reducing income inequality	29%	48%	8%	26%	56%	25%	9%	32%	22%	29%	35%	24%
Reforming the state's prison system	26%	33%	18%	25%	40%	22%	15%	26%	26%	27%	28%	24%
Dealing with global warming	26%	47%	3%	21%	54%	21%	4%	28%	20%	25%	28%	29%
Strengthening gun laws	26%	41%	12%	16%	41%	27%	12%	27%	21%	26%	23%	30%
Continuing the state's high speed rail project	16%	28%	5%	9%	28%	17%	5%	17%	14%	18%	17%	19%
(Unweighted N) for Strengthening state's economy	(945)	(440)	(248)	(243)	(358)	(255)	(317)	(648)	(292)	(221)	(361)	(211)

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10. What 2014 congressional midterm election results mean for California *Most likely voter subsample*

As a result of the November 2014 elections for the U.S. Congress, a Republican representative from California will become the new Majority Leader in the U.S. House. But the change in political party control of the U.S. Senate means that both of California's Democratic senators will lose their positions as chairs of Senate committees. Overall, what would you say that these changes in the U.S. Congress will mean for California? Will California be:

	Total	Age				Race				Gender		Education		
		18-34	35-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Male	Female	HS or Less	Some College	College Graduate
A lot better off	26%	16%	17%	27%	30%	22%	15%	30%	40%	25%	26%	28%	31%	24%
Somewhat better off	12%	12%	15%	14%	9%	12%	7%	17%	5%	12%	12%	17%	12%	10%
Neither better or worse off	18%	18%	21%	19%	16%	20%	18%	18%	13%	20%	16%	15%	19%	19%
Somewhat worse off	19%	29%	20%	18%	15%	22%	26%	12%	17%	18%	20%	10%	17%	22%
A lot worse off	21%	18%	26%	19%	22%	21%	27%	22%	14%	20%	21%	20%	17%	22%
Not sure	5%	7%	2%	3%	7%	4%	7%	1%	11%	5%	5%	9%	4%	4%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(955)	(136)	(131)	(419)	(269)	(635)	(60)	(154)	(35)	(468)	(487)	(203)	(230)	(522)

	Total	Party ID			Ideology			Interest in News		Family Income		
		Dem	Rep	Ind	Lib	Mod	Con	Most time	Some or <	Under 40	40-100	100+
A lot better off	26%	5%	55%	22%	3%	20%	49%	28%	20%	28%	24%	19%
Somewhat better off	12%	3%	23%	12%	5%	8%	21%	12%	14%	14%	10%	12%
Neither better or worse off	18%	20%	13%	22%	17%	21%	17%	16%	22%	19%	16%	20%
Somewhat worse off	19%	33%	3%	14%	31%	27%	3%	18%	19%	17%	19%	27%
A lot worse off	21%	38%	2%	16%	43%	19%	2%	23%	14%	18%	24%	20%
Not sure	5%	2%	4%	14%	2%	4%	8%	3%	11%	4%	7%	2%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(955)	(446)	(252)	(243)	(359)	(260)	(320)	(653)	(297)	(223)	(367)	(213)

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11. Level of California government trusted more: state or local *Most likely voter subsample*

Which level of government, state or local, do you trust more to handle public policy issues facing California?

	Total	Age				Race				Gender		Education		
		18-34	35-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Male	Female	HS or Less	Some College	College Graduate
State government	34%	43%	42%	35%	28%	37%	38%	28%	36%	35%	34%	23%	33%	39%
Local (city or town) government	41%	35%	42%	42%	41%	41%	29%	41%	52%	42%	40%	39%	49%	38%
Not sure	25%	22%	16%	23%	31%	22%	34%	30%	13%	24%	26%	38%	18%	23%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(954)	(136)	(132)	(419)	(267)	(634)	(61)	(153)	(35)	(468)	(486)	(203)	(230)	(521)

	Total	Party ID			Ideology			Interest in News		Family Income		
		Dem	Rep	Ind	Lib	Mod	Con	Most time	Some or <	Under 40	40-100	100+
State government	34%	57%	11%	25%	60%	40%	9%	36%	30%	37%	34%	39%
Local (city or town) government	41%	19%	69%	41%	14%	36%	68%	44%	33%	35%	40%	40%
Not sure	25%	24%	20%	34%	26%	24%	24%	20%	37%	27%	27%	21%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(954)	(447)	(250)	(243)	(360)	(261)	(317)	(653)	(296)	(222)	(368)	(212)

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12. Branch of California government trusted more: governor & executive branch or state legislature *Most likely voter subsample*

Thinking about the different branches of the state government, which do you trust more to handle public policy issues facing California?

	Total	Age				Race				Gender		Education		
		18-34	35-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Male	Female	HS or Less	Some College	College Graduate
Governor and the rest of the executive branch	35%	41%	32%	39%	28%	38%	37%	31%	34%	37%	32%	17%	31%	43%
State legislature	25%	26%	30%	26%	22%	21%	35%	19%	45%	25%	26%	26%	33%	22%
Not sure	40%	32%	38%	35%	50%	41%	29%	50%	21%	38%	42%	57%	36%	36%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(946)	(135)	(131)	(415)	(265)	(629)	(59)	(153)	(35)	(465)	(481)	(201)	(228)	(517)

	Total	Party ID			Ideology			Interest in News		Family Income		
		Dem	Rep	Ind	Lib	Mod	Con	Most time	Some or <	Under 40	40-100	100+
Governor and the rest of the executive branch	35%	56%	13%	29%	55%	47%	11%	35%	34%	29%	34%	48%
State legislature	25%	19%	36%	18%	18%	21%	33%	25%	26%	34%	21%	19%
Not sure	40%	25%	52%	53%	28%	32%	56%	40%	40%	37%	45%	34%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(946)	(443)	(249)	(240)	(358)	(257)	(316)	(648)	(293)	(219)	(363)	(212)

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13. Preference for unified or divided control (including supermajority) of California state government *Most likely voter subsample*

Thinking about the state government in Sacramento, would you say that California's state government works best when:

	Total	Age				Race				Gender		Education		
		18-34	35-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Male	Female	HS or Less	Some College	College Graduate
Gov. & leg. controlled by same party, no supermaj.	27%	20%	21%	26%	31%	29%	29%	22%	33%	24%	30%	15%	38%	27%
Gov. & leg. controlled by same party, supermaj.	24%	32%	39%	24%	18%	22%	30%	23%	31%	25%	22%	25%	18%	26%
Gov. & leg. controlled by different parties	31%	27%	24%	34%	29%	31%	20%	29%	29%	35%	25%	26%	29%	33%
Not sure	19%	21%	17%	17%	22%	17%	21%	26%	6%	16%	22%	34%	15%	15%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(955)	(135)	(132)	(419)	(269)	(636)	(60)	(154)	(35)	(469)	(486)	(203)	(230)	(522)

	Total	Party ID			Ideology			Interest in News		Family Income		
		Dem	Rep	Ind	Lib	Mod	Con	Most time	Some or <	Under 40	40-100	100+
Gov. & leg. controlled by same party, no supermaj.	27%	35%	22%	18%	32%	30%	21%	27%	25%	28%	26%	29%
Gov. & leg. controlled by same party, supermaj.	24%	39%	9%	18%	43%	25%	7%	24%	25%	30%	24%	23%
Gov. & leg. controlled by different parties	31%	10%	53%	37%	7%	33%	50%	33%	23%	25%	29%	33%
Not sure	19%	16%	17%	27%	19%	13%	22%	16%	28%	17%	21%	15%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(955)	(445)	(252)	(244)	(358)	(261)	(320)	(655)	(295)	(223)	(368)	(212)

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14. Personal effect of changes to state laws, public services, state programs *Most likely voter subsample*

Thinking about the last year, have there been any changes to California state laws, public services, or state programs that have affected you personally?

	Total	Age				Race				Gender		Education		
		18-34	35-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Male	Female	HS or Less	Some College	College Graduate
Yes, my life has been impacted	31%	29%	29%	41%	19%	31%	24%	25%	55%	36%	25%	20%	30%	35%
No, my life has not been impacted	46%	58%	42%	38%	55%	48%	43%	59%	36%	42%	52%	53%	46%	44%
Not sure	23%	13%	29%	21%	26%	22%	32%	16%	9%	22%	23%	27%	23%	21%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(955)	(136)	(131)	(419)	(269)	(636)	(61)	(153)	(35)	(469)	(486)	(202)	(230)	(523)

	Total	Party ID			Ideology			Employment		Family Income		
		Dem	Rep	Ind	Lib	Mod	Con	Most time	Some or <	Under 40	40-100	100+
Yes, my life has been impacted	31%	22%	37%	42%	24%	31%	39%	34%	22%	30%	28%	36%
No, my life has not been impacted	46%	57%	39%	33%	57%	50%	34%	46%	47%	44%	51%	46%
Not sure	23%	20%	25%	25%	19%	19%	27%	19%	31%	25%	22%	19%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(955)	(446)	(251)	(244)	(351)	(261)	(319)	(654)	(296)	(223)	(367)	(212)

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Interviewing dates

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Target population

California residents, aged 18 and over

random

Respondents were selected from YouGov's opt-in Internet panel using sample matching. The sample was matched on gender, age, race, education, party identification, ideology, and political interest to a frame constructed by stratified sampling from the 2010 American Community Survey (ACS) sample subset on California. Data on voter registration status and turnout were matched to this frame using the November 2010 Current Population Survey. Data on interest in politics and party identification were then matched to this frame from the 2007 Pew Religious Life Survey.

Weighting

The sample was weighted using propensity scores based on age, gender, race/ethnicity, years of education, and ideology. The weights range from 0.001 to 7.30, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 1.47.

Number of respondents

1699 in full sample, 957 in most likely voter subsample

Margin of error

+/- 3.5% for the full sample

Survey mode

Web-based interviews

Questions not reported

5 questions not reported