

Sample Online sample of 1,054 voters fielded from October 05 to October 09, 2020.
Margin of Error ±4%

1. This year, retailers like Amazon have seen increasing revenue during the COVID-19 pandemic, while other companies, including many small and local businesses, have been struggling. Even if it isn't exactly right, which of the following comes closer to your view?

I think the government should be taking more action to keep a greater share of small businesses from closing or being acquired by big businesses like Amazon	70%
It's unfortunate to see more businesses closing, but I do not think the government should be doing more to try to change things	17%
Not sure	13%
Totals	100%
Unweighted N	1,053

2. One idea being proposed to preserve small businesses in your community threatened with closure during the COVID-19 pandemic would be to create a local economy preservation fund, that would acquire struggling businesses and hold ownership of them until they can be returned to their original owners when the economy begins to recover. Would you [support or oppose] creating such a fund if it were funded and managed by...

	Strongly support	Somewhat support	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	Not sure
Your local government	19%	34%	17%	16%	14%
Your state	20%	32%	17%	17%	14%
The federal government	18%	26%	17%	24%	15%

3. Since the onset of the COVID-19 crisis, would you say you have found yourself more/less willing to support government provision of basic services like health care, housing, utilities, and internet?

Much more willing	26%
Somewhat more willing	32%
Somewhat less willing	10%
Much less willing	14%
Not sure	18%
Totals	100%
Unweighted N	1,046

4. Thousands of small businesses have been forced to close during the COVID-19 pandemic, with larger businesses gaining a greater share of the market as a result. In thinking about the economic recovery, which comes closest to your view?

There should be specific government interventions to rebuild the small, community-based business sector	67%
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It's best to let the market evolve on its own, even if that means greater dominance by big business	21%
Not sure	12%
Totals	100%
Unweighted N	1,051

5. Would you [support or oppose] a program funded by government revenue designed to foster the creation of locally based businesses that can provide such essentials as PPE (personal protective equipment) or medical equipment that we now have to purchase from larger companies or overseas companies?

Strongly support	39%
Somewhat support	33%
Somewhat oppose	7%
Strongly oppose	6%
Not sure	14%
Totals	99%
Unweighted N	1,051

6. When thinking about using public money to aid local businesses, would you [support or oppose] prioritizing businesses that are owned...

	Strongly support	Somewhat support	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	Not sure
By their employees	38%	36%	7%	6%	13%
By community members	39%	35%	7%	7%	12%
By cities or counties	12%	34%	20%	16%	17%
By people of color	37%	27%	8%	15%	13%
By investors and venture capitalists	7%	19%	28%	29%	17%

7. Thinking about the goods and services purchased by community "anchor institutions," like hospitals and colleges, that benefit from public funds and tax dollars, what comes closest to your view?

These institutions should be required to purchase as much as possible from local businesses, even if that means paying a little more	45%
Institutions should purchase from whatever business gives them the lowest price, even if that means spending the bulk of their money outside the community	36%
Not sure	19%
Totals	100%
Unweighted N	1,047

8. Would you [support or oppose] a public option for high-speed broadband internet that would replace or compete with corporate-owned broadband or cable companies, to help guarantee affordable internet access?

Strongly support	44%
Somewhat support	24%
Somewhat oppose	8%
Strongly oppose	12%
Not sure	12%
Totals	100%
Unweighted N	1,049

9. Some people believe that housing is a human right, and that the government should be responsible for creating enough housing that everyone who needs housing can find a home they can afford to rent or buy. Would you [support or oppose] such a policy, even if it means spending more government revenue to build housing across the country?

Strongly support	30%
Somewhat support	25%
Somewhat oppose	14%
Strongly oppose	20%
Not sure	11%
Totals	100%
Unweighted N	1,051

10. Lately, many fossil fuel companies have faced economic hardship, as the need for fuel is greatly reduced when Americans are unwilling or unable to travel and businesses have less need for power. If fossil fuel companies face bankruptcy as a result of the economic collapse caused by COVID-19 and seek federal aid as a result, would you [support or oppose] conditioning that aid on a requirement to shift their production to 100% renewable energy as quickly as reasonably possible?

Strongly support	29%
Somewhat support	21%
Somewhat oppose	12%
Strongly oppose	22%
Not sure	17%
Totals	101%
Unweighted N	1,051

11. Currently, the federal government invests large sums of tax revenue in private companies that are working on COVID-19 vaccine research. The companies that develop such a vaccine will be able to patent and profit off of their vaccine. Would you [support or oppose] shifting federal spending toward a vaccine developed by a federal agency, that would be available to everyone at a minimal cost?

Strongly support	36%
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Somewhat support	25%
Somewhat oppose	11%
Strongly oppose	12%
Not sure	17%
Totals	101%
Unweighted N	1,048

12. Right now there have been increasing demands for action to address the impact of “structural racism” on Black people in America. These actions are often characterized as “restorative justice.” Which of these actions would you [support or oppose]?

	Strongly support	Somewhat support	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	Not sure
Requiring corporations to take specific reparative actions based on an assessment of their past engagement in racist practices	24%	20%	8%	32%	17%
Requiring companies to adopt specific diversity, equity and inclusion practices	30%	23%	9%	26%	11%
Giving each low-income child a ‘baby bond’ that would mature at adulthood	19%	19%	12%	33%	16%
Increase investment in Black community institutions and historically Black colleges	32%	26%	11%	19%	12%
Increase government procurement from Black-owned businesses	23%	24%	11%	23%	18%
Require financial institutions to increase investment in Black communities	27%	25%	11%	25%	11%

13. Some people believe that spending decisions by Congress and the Federal Reserve have taken recently to boost the economy during COVID-19 show that we can afford to take similar actions to finance a transition to a green economy and to fund government programs to ensure every person has a pathway out of poverty. Even if it isn’t exactly right, which of the following is closer to your view?

We should finance new programs to help people out of poverty and protect the environment, even if it means the deficit grows larger	49%
We should aim to reduce the deficit, even if it means cutting government programs	37%
Not sure	14%
Totals	100%
Unweighted N	1,052

14. Would you say things in this country today are...

Generally headed in the right direction	27%
Off on the wrong track	67%
Not sure	6%
Totals	100%
Unweighted N	1,054

This survey is based on 1,054 interviews conducted by YouGov on the internet of registered voters. The sample was weighted according to gender, age, race/ethnicity, education, US Census region, and 2016 Presidential vote choice based on the American Community Study and the Current Population Survey Voting and Registration Supplement. Respondents were selected from YouGov to be representative of registered voters. The weights range from 0.05 to 6.2 with a mean of 1 and a standard deviation of 0.85.

The margin of error (a 95% confidence interval) for a sample percentage p based upon the subsetting sample is approximately 4%. It is calculated using the formula:

$$\hat{p} \pm 100 \times \sqrt{\frac{1 + CV^2}{n}}$$

where CV is the coefficient of variation of the sample weights and n is the sample size used to compute the proportion. This is a measure of sampling error (the average of all estimates obtained using the same sample selection and weighting procedures repeatedly). The sample estimate should differ from its expected value by less than margin of error in 95 percent of all samples. It does not reflect non-sampling errors, including potential selection bias in panel participation or in response to a particular survey.