

**S2. Are you currently registered to vote in [STATE]?**

	Nationwide	Battleground
Yes.....	100%	100%
No.....	-	-
Not sure.....	-	-

**S3. As you may know, there will be an election for President, Congress, and other offices in 2020. How likely are you to vote in the election in 2020?**

	Nationwide	Battleground
Definitely.....	90%	92%
Probably.....	8	6
Chance 50-50.....	3	2
Probably not.....	-	-
Definitely not.....	-	-

**P1. When it comes to politics, do you generally think of yourself as a strong Democrat, not very strong Democrat, strong Republican, not very strong Republican, an independent, or some other political party? [IF INDEPENDENT/OTHER] Do you think of yourself as closer to the Democratic Party or the Republican Party?**

	Nationwide	Battleground
Strong Democrat.....	29%	26%
Weak Democrat.....	13	15
Independent / Closer to the Democrats.....	6	6
Independent.....	10	10
Independent / Closer to the Republicans.....	5	5
Weak Republican.....	13	11
Strong Republican.....	23	25
DEMOCRAT (NET).....	42%	41
INDEPENDENT (NET).....	22	22
REPUBLICAN (NET).....	36	37
DEMOCRAT W/ LEANERS (NET).....	48%	48
REPUBLICAN W/ LEANERS (NET).....	42	42

**FT1. Since Donald Trump has become President, would you say that you are financially...**

	Nationwide					Battleground				
	Oct 20	Sept 20	Aug 20	June 20	May 20	Oct 20	Sept 20	Aug 20	June 20	May 20
Much better off.....	14%	14%	11%	15%	15%	13%	13%	10%	13%	13%
Somewhat better off.....	18	21	22	23	21	21	19	24	25	23
No change.....	36	35	34	34	35	36	35	36	33	30
Somewhat worse off.....	17	18	18	15	15	16	18	18	13	17
Much worse off.....	15	13	15	13	14	14	14	13	16	17
BETTER (NET).....	32%	35	33	37	36	34	32	34	37	36
WORSE (NET).....	32	31	33	29	29	30	33	30	29	34

**FT2. Which of the following is the most important reason for the change in how you are doing financially?**

	Nationwide					Battleground				
	Oct 20	Sept 20	Aug 20	June 20	May 20	Oct 20	Sept 20	Aug 20	June 20	May 20
Wages or income level.....	18%	18%	19%	18%	18%	19%	20%	16%	18%	16%
Amount of personal savings and investments.....	16	17	16	18	20	16	19	17	20	19
Employment status.....	13	14	14	12	11	13	10	13	12	14
Size of personal or family debts.....	10	8	9	8	6	7	8	9	8	10
Value of primary residence.....	2	3	2	4	2	2	2	2	4	4
Something else.....	6	6	6	6	7	6	6	6	6	7
<b>VOL:</b> (No change in financial situation).....	36	35	34	34	35	36	35	36	33	30

**FT3. Which of the following do you believe is the biggest threat to the United States economy?**

	Nationwide					Battleground				
	<u>Oct 20</u>	<u>Sept 20</u>	<u>Aug 20</u>	<u>June 20</u>	<u>May 20</u>	<u>Oct 20</u>	<u>Sept 20</u>	<u>Aug 20</u>	<u>June 20</u>	<u>May 20</u>
A potential slowdown in the global economy .....	28%	28%	29%	32%	34%	30%	29%	32%	32%	34%
Rising health care costs .....	26	20	21	19	18	26	18	20	19	22
Disputes with major trading partners like China and Mexico.....	11	12	11	11	11	9	12	12	13	9
A potential stock market downturn .....	9	10	11	10	11	8	10	9	10	12
Loss of high-paying jobs due to automation.....	6	8	6	6	7	6	8	6	7	5
Federal Reserve policy, including interest rate levels.....	5	5	3	4	3	5	4	3	3	4
Something else.....	16	18	19	18	16	17	19	19	15	15

**FT4. Have President Trump's economic policies...**

	Nationwide					Battleground				
	<u>Oct 20</u>	<u>Sept 20</u>	<u>Aug 20</u>	<u>June 20</u>	<u>May 20</u>	<u>Oct 20</u>	<u>Sept 20</u>	<u>Aug 20</u>	<u>June 20</u>	<u>May 20</u>
Helped the economy - strongly.....	26%	27%	28%	27%	27%	29%	29%	25%	28%	26%
Helped the economy - somewhat.....	18	18	19	22	21	19	18	23	23	21
No impact .....	10	10	8	9	11	9	9	10	8	10
Hurt the economy - somewhat .....	17	19	16	18	17	18	20	16	13	17
Hurt the economy - strongly .....	29	26	28	25	24	25	24	26	27	26
HELPED (NET).....	44%	45	48	49	48	48	47	48	52	48
HURT (NET).....	46	45	44	43	41	43	44	42	40	43

**FT5. When it comes to managing the national debt, would you say things in the United States are heading in the right direction, or do you think things are off on the wrong track?**

	Nationwide					Battleground				
	<u>Oct 20</u>	<u>Sept 20</u>	<u>Aug 20</u>	<u>June 20</u>	<u>May 20</u>	<u>Oct 20</u>	<u>Sept 20</u>	<u>Aug 20</u>	<u>June 20</u>	<u>May 20</u>
Right direction - Strongly .....	12%	14%	12%	12%	15%	13%	11%	9%	11%	14%
Right direction - Somewhat .....	19	21	19	23	21	20	20	19	23	20
Wrong track - Somewhat.....	26	27	28	28	26	25	30	33	28	31
Wrong track - Strongly.....	44	38	41	37	38	42	39	39	38	36
RIGHT DIRECTION (NET).....	31%	35	30	35	36	33	31	28	34	33
WRONG TRACK (NET) .....	69	65	70	65	64	67	69	72	66	67

FT6. Which of the following is the most significant effect of the national debt on the United States economy?

	Nationwide					Battleground				
	Oct 20	Sept 20	Aug 20	June 20	May 20	Oct 20	Sept 20	Aug 20	June 20	May 20
Could threaten programs like Social Security and Medicare.....	26%	31%	30%	25%	27%	32%	31%	29%	27%	30%
Harms economic growth and the future incomes of U.S. households.....	23	18	18	21	21	18	17	20	17	23
Interest on the debt limits resources available for other priorities (such as infrastructure, climate change, education, defense).....	14	13	13	16	14	13	15	16	16	13
Leaves government with less flexibility to respond to economic and other crises .....	11	11	13	12	12	9	12	11	12	11
Undermines U.S. economic leadership role.....	8	6	6	8	8	7	5	5	5	6
Reliance on foreign lenders reduces our global power and influence.....	7	9	11	10	10	10	9	9	13	9
Increases the risk of higher interest rates .....	7	8	5	5	5	6	7	6	6	5
Something else.....	5	5	4	3	3	5	4	4	3	3

FT7. Which of the following do you believe is the biggest obstacle to managing the national debt?

	Nationwide					Battleground				
	Oct 20	Sept 20	Aug 20	June 20	May 20	Oct 20	Sept 20	Aug 20	June 20	May 20
Lack of leadership and political courage by elected officials .....	29%	32%	33%	32%	28%	26%	31%	32%	28%	29%
Politicians refusing to consider spending cuts .....	25	24	20	24	22	25	25	22	24	19
Partisanship in Washington.....	20	18	20	20	19	19	18	22	22	24
Lack of long-term planning .....	11	12	14	13	16	13	13	11	16	16
Politicians refusing to consider tax increases .....	10	8	8	6	10	11	8	7	6	8
Something else.....	4	5	4	5	5	6	6	6	5	4

Q1. Has the outbreak of novel coronavirus affected any of your personal or business decisions, such as canceling travel or putting off large purchases?

	Nationwide					Battleground				
	Oct 20	Sept 20	Aug 20	June 20	May 20	Oct 20	Sept 20	Aug 20	June 20	May 20
Yes .....	64%	68%	71%	67%	66%	67%	66%	73%	68%	71%
No.....	36	32	29	33	34	33	34	27	32	29

Q2. Which of the following have you done in response to the outbreak of novel coronavirus?

	Nationwide					Battleground				
	Oct 20	Sept 20	Aug 20	June 20	May 20	Oct 20	Sept 20	Aug 20	June 20	May 20
Wore a face mask .....	59%	61%	67%	62%	56%	63%	59%	68%	61%	59%
Avoided public places.....	51	53	58	57	55	53	53	59	57	59
Canceled or changed travel plans.....	49	52	56	51	46	54	52	56	53	52
Put off large purchase .....	31	32	36	37	33	32	34	38	37	34
Have not sent or don't plan on sending child or children to school at the start of the 2020-2021 academic year.....	10	10	13	n/a	n/a	7	9	9	n/a	n/a
Changed investments, such as selling shares in a China-linked company .....	6	5	6	6	6	5	3	5	5	6
Something else.....	2	2	4	3	2	3	3	4	3	4
<b>VOL:</b> (Nothing).....	36	32	29	33	34	33	34	27	32	29

**Q3. How long do you believe it will take for the U.S. economy to fully recover from the impact of the coronavirus outbreak?**

	Nationwide					Battleground				
	Oct 20	Sept 20	Aug 20	June 20	May 20	Oct 20	Sept 20	Aug 20	June 20	May 20
Within three months .....	5%	6%	3%	5%	5%	4%	3%	3%	5%	4%
Between three and six months .....	8	9	9	9	11	9	9	8	10	13
Between six months and one year .....	18	20	22	22	26	19	23	18	22	26
Between one and two years .....	33	32	31	34	32	32	31	33	34	33
Between two and five years .....	25	23	21	21	19	25	25	25	19	17
Five years or longer.....	12	10	14	9	8	12	9	13	10	7
WITHIN A YEAR (NET).....	31%	34	34	37	42	32	35	28	37	42
A YEAR OR MORE (NET).....	69	66	66	63	58	68	65	72	63	58

**Q4. Over the next month, do you think the coronavirus outbreak in your community will get better, get worse, or stay the same?**

	Nationwide					Battleground				
	Oct 20	Sept 20	Aug 20	June 20	May 20	Oct 20	Sept 20	Aug 20	June 20	May 20
Get much better.....	6%	10%	6%	7%	10%	9%	9%	3%	6%	9%
Get somewhat better .....	14	20	18	18	29	14	18	18	14	26
Stay the same.....	32	31	28	26	26	30	33	29	28	27
Get somewhat worse.....	34	30	35	34	24	32	29	34	36	27
Get much worse .....	14	10	13	16	11	15	10	16	16	11
GET BETTER (NET).....	20%	30	24	24	39	23	27	21	20	35
GET WORSE (NET).....	48	40	49	49	35	47	39	50	52	38

**Q5. When do you believe restrictions on non-essential businesses and social distancing requirements should be lifted?**

	Nationwide					Battleground				
	Oct 20	Sept 20	Aug 20	June 20	May 20	Oct 20	Sept 20	Aug 20	June 20	May 20
Within a month.....	17%	19%	13%	19%	25%	17%	18%	13%	21%	25%
Between one and two months .....	7	10	9	15	18	6	7	9	13	20
Between two and three months .....	11	14	12	17	18	9	11	11	16	19
Between three and six months .....	18	17	24	19	17	21	19	25	19	15
Between six months and one year .....	26	26	28	19	14	27	28	29	21	14
One year or longer .....	21	15	14	12	8	19	16	14	10	7
WITHIN THREE MONTHS (NET).....	35%	42	35	50	61	33	37	32	50	63
THREE MONTHS OR MORE (NET).....	65	58	65	50	39	67	63	68	50	37

**Q6. In thinking about the issue of reopening your state in relation to the coronavirus pandemic, do you think [STATE] is:**

	Nationwide				Battleground			
	Oct 20	Sept 20	Aug 20	June 20	Oct 20	Sept 20	Aug 20	June 20
Moving too fast and reopening too quickly.....	36%	28%	37%	39%	38%	31%	40%	43%
Moving at about the right pace .....	45	53	49	48	42	46	43	39
Moving too slow and reopening too slowly.....	19	19	15	13	20	23	17	18

**Q7A. [SPLIT A] Are you more concerned about the impact of the coronavirus outbreak on:**

	Nationwide					Battleground				
	Oct 20	Sept 20	Aug 20	June 20	May 20	Oct 20	Sept 20	Aug 20	June 20	May 20
Your family's health .....	74%	70%	78%	75%	70%	74%	69%	77%	75%	72%
Your personal finances.....	26	30	22	25	30	26	31	23	25	28

**Q7B. [SPLIT B]** Are you more concerned about the impact of the coronavirus outbreak on:

	Nationwide					Battleground				
	Oct 20	Sept 20	Aug 20	June 20	May 20	Oct 20	Sept 20	Aug 20	June 20	May 20
Public health.....	60%	58%	67%	61%	59%	60%	59%	68%	63%	60%
The economy.....	40	42	33	39	41	40	41	32	37	40

**Q8.** Depending on where you live, you may be able to vote in the November election either in person on Election Day, in person before Election Day at an early voting location, or by mail. If you had all of these options, how would you be most likely to cast your ballot?

	Nationwide		Battleground	
	Oct 20	Sept 20	Oct 20	Sept 20
By voting in person on Election Day.....	39%	44%	35%	39%
By voting in person before Election Day at an early voting location.....	18	17	18	17
By voting by mail.....	43	39	47	45

**Q9.** Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: *Voting by mail is secure and reliable.*

	Nationwide		Battleground	
	Oct 20	Sept 20	Oct 20	Sept 20
Strongly agree.....	39%	35%	36%	37%
Somewhat agree.....	25	26	26	27
Somewhat disagree.....	17	17	19	17
Strongly disagree.....	20	23	18	19
AGREE (NET).....	64%	60	63	64
DISAGREE (NET).....	36	40	37	36

**Q10.** Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: *I trust that the results of the election in November will be counted and reported accurately and fairly.*

	Nationwide		Battleground	
	Oct 20	Sept 20	Oct 20	Sept 20
Strongly agree.....	33%	27%	33%	29%
Somewhat agree.....	36	39	36	37
Somewhat disagree.....	21	22	21	22
Strongly disagree.....	10	12	10	12
AGREE (NET).....	69%	66	69	66
DISAGREE (NET).....	31	34	31	34

**B1.** As you may know, the last coronavirus economic response package, the CARES Act, expired on July 31, and Congress has not yet passed another package. Below are some typical household expenses. Please indicate how you have been affected, if at all, by the expiration of the CARES Act.

	Able to make all payments	Able to make some	Unable to make any payments	Not an expense for me
• Food and groceries.....	75%	18	2	4
<b>Battleground</b>	75%	19	3	4
• Credit card payments.....	62%	14	4	20
<b>Battleground</b>	61%	12	7	20
• Rent or mortgage payments.....	57%	9	3	30
<b>Battleground</b>	58%	10	4	28
• Car payments.....	35%	9	3	54
<b>Battleground</b>	37%	8	3	52

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	<u>Able to make all payments</u>	<u>Able to make some</u>	<u>Unable to make any payments</u>	<u>Not an expense for me</u>
• Student loans.....	13%	4	6	77
<b>Battleground</b>	11%	4	10	75

Q16. As you may know, this year the federal government will have a budget deficit of more than 3 trillion dollars. Once the pandemic is over, which of the following do you think is the best way to reduce the federal government budget deficit?

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Reduce spending.....	42%	42%
Increase taxes.....	8	7
A combination of both.....	50	51

B2. Here are some ways the federal government could reduce the budget deficit through changes to the tax code. Please indicate whether you support or oppose each of the following ways the federal government could reduce the budget deficit.

	<u>SUPPORT</u>		<u>OPPOSE</u>		<u>NET</u>	
	<u>Strong</u>	<u>Some</u>	<u>Some</u>	<u>Strong</u>	<u>SUPPORT</u>	<u>OPPOSE</u>
• Close tax loopholes.....	58%	31	8	3	89	11
<b>Battleground</b>	59%	30	7	3	89	11
• Raise taxes on those with higher incomes.....	55%	24	12	8	80	20
<b>Battleground</b>	56%	23	13	9	78	22
• Increase IRS enforcement of the tax code by cracking down on tax evasion.....	55%	31	9	5	86	14
<b>Battleground</b>	57%	30	8	5	87	13
• Raise the corporate tax rate.....	42%	30	18	10	71	29
<b>Battleground</b>	45%	30	14	11	75	25
• Implement a national sales tax.....	11%	29	31	29	40	60
<b>Battleground</b>	12%	31	31	26	43	57

Q22. Once the pandemic is over, how important is it to you that the next president ensure that his spending priorities are paid for so that they don't increase the budget deficit?

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Very important.....	59%	57%
Somewhat important.....	35	38
Not that important.....	4	3
Not important at all.....	2	2
IMPORTANT (NET).....	94%	95
NOT IMPORTANT (NET).....	6	5

B3. For each of the following groups, please indicate whether you believe they are paying the right amount of taxes, whether they should be paying more, or are paying too much.

		<u>Should be paying more</u>	<u>Paying the right amount</u>	<u>Should be paying less</u>
• Large corporations .....		76%	21	3
	<b>Battleground</b>	76%	21	3
• Higher-income people .....		75%	22	3
	<b>Battleground</b>	77%	21	2
• Donald Trump .....		72%	26	2
	<b>Battleground</b>	72%	25	3
• Joe Biden .....		49%	49	2
	<b>Battleground</b>	55%	43	2
• Lower-income people .....		5%	32	63
	<b>Battleground</b>	5%	32	63
• The middle class .....		5%	58	37
	<b>Battleground</b>	4%	59	37
• Small businesses .....		4%	53	42
	<b>Battleground</b>	5%	57	38
• People like you .....		3%	50	47
	<b>Battleground</b>	4%	49	47

Q31. As you may know, in a progressive tax code, people pay taxes at a higher rate as they earn more, so that people with lower incomes pay at a lower tax rate and people with higher incomes pay at a higher tax rate. When it comes to the U.S. federal government tax code, do you believe:

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Income tax rates are not progressive enough, meaning higher-income people pay too low a tax rate and lower-income people pay too high a tax rate.....	66%	66%
Income tax rates are just about right .....	22	24
Income tax rates are too progressive, meaning higher-income people pay too high a tax rate and lower-income people pay too low a tax rate .....	12	10

Q32. And as you may know, it has been reported that Donald Trump paid little or no taxes for several years, including his first year as president. Which of the following statements do you agree with more, even if none is perfect?

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Donald Trump is unfairly taking advantage of the U.S. tax system.....	61%	58%
Donald Trump is fairly following the rules of the U.S. tax system.....	39	42

For statistical purposes only, please answer the following questions.

DAGE. What is your age?

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
18-29.....	15%	15%
30-44.....	24	23
45-54.....	16	16
55-64.....	19	19
65+.....	26	27

**D100.** What is your gender?

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Male .....	46%	46%
Female .....	54	54

**D102.** What is the last grade of school or level of education you completed?

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Did not complete high school .....	1%	1%
Graduated high school .....	22	19
Attended technical/vocational school .....	6	7
Attended some college but no degree .....	25	25
Graduated two-year college with Associate's degree .....	9	12
Graduated four-year college with Bachelor's degree .....	24	25
Obtained Master's, PhD, or other professional degree (MD, DMD, etc.) .....	13	11

**D105.** When it comes to politics, do you generally think of yourself as:

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Very liberal .....	16%	14%
Somewhat liberal .....	16	17
Moderate .....	31	33
Somewhat conservative .....	19	20
Very conservative .....	17	16

**D108.** Which of the following best describes your employment status?

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Employed Full-Time .....	32%	34%
Employed Part-Time .....	7	10
Self-employed/Own a company .....	6	6
Homemaker .....	10	5
A student .....	3	3
Unemployed .....	12	10
Retired .....	30	32

**D110.** Do you have children under the age of 18 living at home with you?

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Yes .....	25%	22%
No .....	75	78

**DRACE.** To ensure we have a representative sample, please indicate your race. **[IF BLACK/WHITE/OTHER]** Do you consider yourself a Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish-speaking American?

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Black/African-American .....	12%	10%
White/Caucasian .....	74	78
Hispanic/Latino .....	10	8
Asian-American .....	3	1
Native American .....	1	2
Other .....	1	1

**Q34.** If you became unable to work due to illness, would you still earn an income?

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Yes .....	51%	52%
No .....	49	48

**Q35.** Do you or someone you know currently have or have had coronavirus, or COVID-19?

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Yes .....	38%	43%
No .....	62	57



**D310.** And, for statistical purposes only, what would you say is your total annual family income before taxes?

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Less than \$25,000 .....	22%	20%
\$25,000 - \$49,999.....	29	30
\$50,000 - \$74,999.....	21	22
\$75,000 - \$99,999.....	11	13
\$100,000 - \$149,999 .....	11	10
\$150,000 - \$199,999 .....	4	4
\$200,000 or more .....	2	3

**STATEBG.** What state do you live in?

Arizona .....	7%
Colorado .....	7
Florida.....	24
Iowa .....	4
Michigan .....	12
Minnesota.....	7
North Carolina .....	12
New Hampshire .....	2
Nevada .....	3
Pennsylvania .....	15
Wisconsin .....	7

**REGION.** What state do you live in?

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Northeast .....	18%	17%
Midwest.....	22	30
South .....	37	36
West.....	22	17