

Topline

KFF Health Tracking Poll/
KFF COVID-19 Vaccine Monitor

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METHODOLOGY

This *KFF Health Tracking Poll/COVID-19 Vaccine Monitor Poll* was designed and analyzed by public opinion researchers at the Kaiser Family Foundation (KFF). The survey was conducted September 15-26, 2022, online and by telephone among a nationally representative sample of 1,534 U.S. adults including 599 women aged 18 to 49, conducted in English (1,475) and in Spanish (59). The sample includes 1,282 adults reached through the SSRS Opinion Panel¹ either online or over the phone ($n=36$ in Spanish). The SSRS Opinion Panel is a nationally representative probability-based panel where panel members are recruited randomly in one of two ways: (a) Through invitations mailed to respondents randomly sampled from an Address-Based Sample (ABS) provided by Marketing Systems Groups (MSG) through the U.S. Postal Service's Computerized Delivery Sequence (CDS); (b) from a dual-frame random digit dial (RDD) sample provided by MSG. For the online panel component, invitations were sent to panel members by email followed by up to three reminder emails. 1,241 panel members completed the survey online and panel members who do not use the internet were reached by phone (41).

Another 252 ($n=23$ in Spanish) interviews were conducted from a random digit dial telephone sample of prepaid cell phone numbers obtained through MSG. Phone numbers used for the prepaid cell phone component were randomly generated from a cell phone sampling frame with disproportionate stratification aimed at reaching Hispanic and non-Hispanic Black respondents. Stratification was based on incidence of the race/ethnicity groups within each frame. Respondents in the phone samples received a \$10 incentive via a check received by mail, and web respondents received a \$10 electronic gift card incentive.

The combined cell phone and panel samples were weighted to match the sample's demographics to the national U.S. adult population using data from the Census Bureau's 2021 Current Population Survey (CPS). Weighting parameters included gender, age, education, race/ethnicity, region, and household tenure. The sample was weighted to match patterns of civic engagement from the September 2017 Volunteering and Civic Life Supplement data from the CPS and to match frequency of internet use from the National Public Opinion Reference Survey (NPORS) for Pew Research Center. Finally, the sample was weighted to match patterns of political party identification based on a parameter derived from recent multi-mode benchmarking polls conducted by SSRS. The weights take into account differences in the probability of selection for each sample type (prepaid cell phone and panel). This includes adjustment for the sample design and geographic stratification of the cell phone sample, within household probability of selection, and the design of the panel-recruitment procedure.

The online questionnaire included two questions designed to establish that respondents were paying attention. Cases with over 40% item non-response, and cases with a length less than one quarter of the mean length by mode were flagged and reviewed. Cases were removed from the data if they failed two or more of the above quality checks. Based on this criterion, no cases were removed.

The margin of sampling error including the design effect for the full sample is plus or minus 3 percentage points. Numbers of respondents and margins of sampling error for key subgroups are shown in the table below. For results based on other subgroups, the margin of sampling error may be higher. Sample sizes and margins of sampling error for other subgroups are available by request. Sampling error is only one of many potential sources of error and there may be other unmeasured error in this or any other public opinion poll. Kaiser Family Foundation public opinion and survey research is a charter member of the [Transparency Initiative of the American Association for Public Opinion Research](https://ssrs.com/opinion-panel/).

¹ <https://ssrs.com/opinion-panel/>

Group	N (unweighted)	M.O.S.E.
Total	1,534	± 3 percentage points
Women		
Women ages 18-49	599	± 5 percentage points
Women ages 50 and older	332	± 7 percentage points
Race/Ethnicity		
White, non-Hispanic	864	± 4 percentage points
Black, non-Hispanic	260	± 9 percentage points
Hispanic	283	± 8 percentage points
Party identification		
Democrat	622	± 6 percentage points
Republican	342	± 7 percentage points
Independent	378	± 7 percentage points
Registered voters		
Total voters	1,291	± 4 percentage points
Democratic voters	561	± 6 percentage points
Republican voters	309	± 7 percentage points
Independent voters	308	± 8 percentage points
Parents		
Parent with a child ages 6 months through 4 years old	179	± 10 percentage points
Parent with a child ages 5-11	251	± 8 percentage points
Parent with a child ages 12-17	235	± 9 percentage points

Notes for reading the topline:

- Percentages may not always add up to 100 percent due to rounding.
- Values less than 0.5 percent are indicated by an asterisk (*).
- “Vol.” indicates a response was volunteered by the respondent, not offered as an explicit choice
- Questions are presented in the order asked; question numbers may not be sequential.
- No answer includes those who said ‘Don’t know’ or refused to answer the question on the phone and those who skipped the question on the web

Trended data prior to July 2022 were conducted using RDD methods. See footnotes for changes in question wording, and answer options when applicable. See previous methodology statements for differences in methodology for trended data.

All trends shown in this document come from KFF Health Tracking Polls or KFF COVID-19 Vaccine Monitor Polls except:

12/19: KFF Abortion Knowledge and Attitudes Poll (conducted December 20-30, 2019)

AGE. What is your age?

AGE2. (ASK IF DON'T KNOW OR REFUSED AGE) Could you please tell me if you are between the ages of... (READ LIST)

RECAGE2 VARIABLE

	9/22
18-29	19
30-49	34
50-64	25
65+	22
No answer	-

RGENDER. Do you describe yourself as a man, a woman, or in some other way?

	9/22
Man	48
Woman	51
Some other way	1
No answer	*

RVOTE. Are you registered to vote at your present address?

	9/22
Yes	84
No	16
No answer	*

READ/DISPLAY IF RVOTE=1 (SHOW ON SAME PAGE AS Q1): The next questions are about the upcoming November election for U.S. House and some U.S. Senate and governor seats.

Q1. Compared to previous elections, are you more motivated to vote than usual, less motivated than usual, or about as motivated as in previous elections?

Based on those who are registered to vote

	9/22
More motivated	49
Less motivated	9
About as motivated as in previous elections	41
No answer	1
	<i>n=1,291</i>

Q2a. Why are you more motivated to vote now than in previous elections? (OPEN-END)

Based on those who are registered to vote and are more motivated to vote than usual

	9/22
Party-Related Reasons (NET)	33
To keep Democrats out of office/Vote Republican	8
To keep Republicans out of office/Vote Democrats	6
Dissatisfaction with Biden	5
Candidates/Getting the right people elected	5
Dislike Trump/Keep Trump supporters out of office	4
Concerned about leftists/Socialism/Communism	2
Political party/Control of Congress (unspecified)	1
Don't want extremists from either party	1
Politics/Political climate	1
Trump (unspecified)	1
Other party-related responses	1
Need Change/Dissatisfaction with Status Quo (NET)	29
Dislike direction of country/world/For better future	12
Want new people in Congress/office/Unhappy with current elected officials	7
Want change (unspecified)	6
Corruption	1
Current government policies	1
Too much division	1
Other need change/Dissatisfaction with status quo responses	1
Issues (NET)	28
Economy/Inflation	9
Abortion/Reproductive rights	8
Protect women's rights	4
Issues (unspecified)	2
Protect rights (general)	2
Immigration/Border crisis	2
Supreme Court/Recent decisions	1
Racism/Discrimination	1
COVID-19/Pandemic	*
Other issues responses	6
Democracy/Voting Rights/Importance of Voting (NET)	11
Democracy is at risk	6
Want my vote to count/To be heard	3
Overcoming voter fraud/Election fraud	1
Always vote/Voting is good/people should vote/It is my right	1
Believe in the election process	1
Protect voting rights	*
Other democracy/Voting rights/Importance of voting responses	*
Personal Reasons (NET)	5
A lot at stake/I feel more affected	4
Have been more involved/Paying more attention	2
Nothing/No reason	*
Other	3
No answer	1
	<i>n=632</i>

Q2b. Why are you less motivated to vote now than in previous elections? (OPEN-END)

Based on those who are registered to vote and are less motivated to vote than usual

	9/22
Don't believe in election process	16
Dislike the candidates	15
Don't think my vote matters/Will make a difference	12
Politicians are dishonest/Lie/Don't do what they promise	10
Candidates don't care about me/Represent my interests	7
Lack of information/Unfamiliar with candidates	6
No Presidential election	3
Due to current problems/Economy/Racism	2
Not political/don't vote	1
Unhappy with current elected officials/President	1
Don't care/not interested	*
Personal reasons	*
Nothing/No reason	1
Other	19
No answer	8
	<i>n=117</i>

PVOTE. If November's election for Congress were held today, which party's candidate are you more likely to vote for in your district? (ROTATE OPTIONS 1 AND 2)

Based on those who are registered to vote

	9/22
The Democratic Party's candidate	47
The Republican Party's candidate	43
Another party's candidate	9
No answer	1
	<i>n=1,291</i>

Q3. Please indicate if the following will be a major factor, a minor factor, or not a factor, in making your decision about who to vote for in this year's election for Congress? (RANDOMIZE ITEMS A-C)

Based on those who are registered to vote

	Major or minor factor (NET)	Major factor	Minor factor	Not a factor	No answer	
a. The candidate's experience and qualifications						
9/22	92	61	31	8	*	<i>n=1,291</i>
b. The candidate's political party						
9/22	83	56	27	16	1	<i>n=1,291</i>
c. The candidate's positions on issues you care about						
9/22	96	88	9	4	*	<i>n=1,291</i>

Q4. Thinking about candidates running for elected office this November, what **one issue** would you **most** like to hear candidates talk about?
(OPEN-END)

Based on those who are registered to vote

	9/22
Economic Issues (NET)	35
Inflation/Cost of living/Food/Gas	14
Economy (unspecified)	14
Wages/Income/Jobs	1
Taxes	1
Economic recovery/Growth	1
Housing/Rent prices	1
Recession/Economic crisis	1
Money (unspecified)	*
Healthcare access/Insurance/Costs	*
Other economic issues	1
Abortion/Reproductive rights/Roe v. Wade	15
Immigration issues (NET)	9
Border security/Illegal immigration	5
Immigration (unspecified)	4
Immigration reform	*
Other immigration issues responses	*
Guns	4
Health care (general)	3
Crime/Violence/Public safety	3
Climate change/Environment	3
Women's rights (unspecified)	2
Education/Schools	1
Threats to democracy	1
Homelessness	1
Protection of rights/Civil rights	1
Rule of law/Following laws/Constitution	1
Social security	1
Voting rights	1
Election integrity	1
Helping Americans/The country	1
Student loan debt/Cancellation	1
National security	*
Health (unspecified)	*
Diversity, equity, and inclusion/Racism	*
Senior citizen issues	*
Unifying people/Ending division	*
Foreign affairs/War	*
Honesty/Telling the truth	*
COVID-19	*
Women's healthcare	*
Nothing/No reason	1
Other	10
No answer	2
	<i>n=1,291</i>

- Q5. Thinking about your vote in the upcoming midterm election this November, if a candidate supports (INSERT ITEM), would that make you more likely to vote for the candidate, less likely to vote for the candidate, or does it make no difference in your vote? (RANDOMIZE ITEMS A-F)

Based on those who are registered to vote

	More likely to vote for a candidate who supports this	Less likely to vote for a candidate who supports this	Makes no difference in my vote	Don't know	Refused/ Web blank	
a. Authorizing the federal government to negotiate the price of some prescription drugs for people with Medicare 9/22	59	9	31	1	-	n=1,291
b. Capping monthly out-of-pocket costs for insulin for people with Medicare 9/22	65	7	27	1	*	n=1,291
c. Placing a limit on out-of-pocket prescription drug costs for people with Medicare 9/22	66	7	27	*	-	n=1,291
d. Extending financial subsidies for people who purchase health coverage through the Affordable Care Act marketplace 9/22	43	19	38	*	-	n=1,291
e. Making big, new investments in climate and clean energy programs and in tax credits for renewable energy 9/22	51	26	23	*	*	n=1,291
f. Cancelling some federal student loan debt for most borrowers who make under \$125,000 9/22	40	38	22	*	*	n=1,291

- Q7. As you may know, a climate, health care, and tax bill known as the Inflation Reduction Act was recently passed by Congress and signed into law by President Joe Biden. How much, if anything, have you read or heard about the Inflation Reduction Act?

	9/22
A lot/Some/A little (NET)	77
A lot	15
Some	36
A little	26
Nothing at all	23
No answer	*

Q9. Given what you have read or heard about the Inflation Reduction Act, do you think this new law (goes too far), (does not go far enough), or does about the right amount to... (INSERT ITEM)? (RANDOMIZE ITEMS A-E, ROTATE ITEMS IN PARENTHESES)

Based on those who have heard at least a little about the Inflation Reduction Act

	Goes too far	Does not go far enough	Does about the right amount	Don't know	Refused/ Web blank	
a. Lower prescription drug costs for people with Medicare 9/22	15	51	33	1	1	n=1,173
b. Lower prescription drug costs for people with private health insurance 9/22	16	51	30	1	1	n=1,173
c. Lower the cost of insulin 9/22	15	50	33	2	1	n=1,173
d. Reduce U.S. carbon emissions 9/22	34	40	25	1	*	n=1,173
e. Lower inflation 9/22	18	59	23	*	*	n=1,173

Q10. How likely, if at all, do you think it is that the Inflation Reduction Act will...(INSERT ITEM)? (RANDOMIZE ITEMS A-D)

Based on those who have heard at least a little about the Inflation Reduction Act

	Very/ Somewhat likely (NET)	Very likely	Somewhat likely	Not too/Not at all likely	Not too likely	Not at all likely	Don't know	Refused /Web blank	
a. Lower prescription drug costs for people with Medicare 9/22	57	9	48	43	32	11	*	*	n=1,173
b. Lead U.S. pharmaceutical companies to do less research and development of new drugs 9/22	39	9	30	61	40	21	1	*	n=1,173
c. Reduce U.S. carbon emissions 9/22	41	6	36	58	39	19	*	*	n=1,173
d. Lower inflation 9/22	33	5	28	67	36	31	*	-	n=1,173

Q8. The Inflation Reduction Act is a new law that made some changes to health care and climate policy. Here are some provisions that were being discussed as part of this law. As far as you know, does the Inflation Reduction Act do each of the following, does it not do this, or are you not sure? First, how about (INSERT ITEM)? (RANDOMIZE ITEMS A-E)

	Yes, the law does this	No, the law does not do this	Not sure	Refused/Web blank
a. Authorize the federal government to negotiate the price of some prescription drugs for people with Medicare 9/22	36	9	55	1
b. Cap monthly out-of-pocket costs for insulin for people with Medicare 9/22	29	11	60	*
c. Place a limit on out-of-pocket prescription drug costs for people with Medicare 9/22	29	9	63	*
d. Extend financial subsidies for people who purchase health coverage through the Affordable Care Act marketplace 9/22	24	10	66	*
e. Making big, new investments in climate and clean energy programs and in tax credits for renewable energy 9/22	42	10	48	*

READ/DISPLAY TO ALL (SHOW ON SAME SCREEN AS Q11): On another topic, as you may know, the Supreme Court overturned *Roe v. Wade*, eliminating the constitutional right to an abortion and leaving it up to individual states to decide.

Q11. Do you (approve) or (disapprove) of the Supreme Court overturning *Roe vs. Wade*? (ROTATE ITEMS IN PARENTHESES)

	9/22	7/22
Approve	35	33
Disapprove	63	65
No answer	2	2
	<i>n=1,534</i>	<i>n=1,847</i>

Q12. Has the Supreme Court decision overturning *Roe V. Wade* made you (more motivated) or (less motivated) to vote in the 2022 midterm election, or has it not made a difference? (ROTATE ITEMS IN PARENTHESES)

Based on those who are registered to vote

	9/22	7/22	5/22 ²
Decision has made you more motivated to vote	50	43	37
Decision has made you less motivated to vote	5	3	6
Has not made a difference	45	53	57
No answer	*	*	*
	<i>n=1,291</i>	<i>n=1,544</i>	<i>n=1,227</i>

² May 2022 question wording was: "If the Supreme Court were to issue a final decision overturning *Roe v. Wade*, would you be (more) motivated to vote in the 2022 midterm elections, (less) motivated, or would it make no difference?" May 2022 response options were "more motivated", "Less motivated", and "would make no difference"

- Q13. Have abortion laws in your state made you (more motivated) or (less motivated) to vote in the 2022 midterm election, or has it not made a difference? (ROTATE ITEMS IN PARENTHESES)

Based on those who are registered to vote

	9/22
Has made me more motivated to vote	40
Has made me less motivated to vote	5
Has not made a difference	55
No answer	*
	<i>n=1,291</i>

- Q14. In the upcoming midterm election in November, do you plan on voting for candidates who (want to protect access to abortion), (want to limit access to abortion), or do candidates' positions on abortion not make a difference in your vote? (ROTATE ITEMS IN PARENTHESES)

Based on those who are registered to vote

	9/22	7/22 ³
Want to protect access to abortion	55	55
Want to limit access to abortion	23	23
Does not make a difference	21	21
No answer	1	1
	<i>n=1,291</i>	<i>n=1,544</i>

- Q15. Do you think (INSERT ITEM) (IF ITEM A,B: is/IF ITEM C: are) doing (too much), (not enough), or about the right amount to protect access to abortion? (RANDOMIZE ITEMS A-C, ROTATE ITEMS IN PARENTHESES)

*Based on those who **disapprove** of overturning Roe v. Wade*

	Too much	Not enough	About the right amount	No answer	
a. President Biden					
9/22	4	71	24	1	<i>n=1,041</i>
b. The U.S. Congress					
9/22	5	86	7	2	<i>n=1,041</i>
c. Your state officials					
9/22	4	67	28	1	<i>n=1,041</i>

³ July 2022 wording: ""Do you plan on voting for a candidate who (wants to protect access to abortion), (wants to limit access to abortion), or does a candidate's position on abortion not make a difference in your vote?"

Q11/Q15 Combo Table – President Biden

	9/22
Approve of the Supreme Court overturning Roe v. Wade	35
Disapprove of the Supreme Court overturning Roe v. Wade	63
Too much to protect access to abortion	3
Not enough to protect access to abortion	45
About the right amount to protect access to abortion	15
No answer	1
No answer	2

Q11/Q15 Combo Table – U.S. Congress

	9/22
Approve of the Supreme Court overturning Roe v. Wade	35
Disapprove of the Supreme Court overturning Roe v. Wade	63
Too much to protect access to abortion	3
Not enough to protect access to abortion	54
About the right amount to protect access to abortion	4
No answer	1
No answer	2

Q11/Q15 Combo Table – Your state officials

	9/22
Approve of the Supreme Court overturning Roe v. Wade	35
Disapprove of the Supreme Court overturning Roe v. Wade	63
Too much to protect access to abortion	3
Not enough to protect access to abortion	42
About the right amount to protect access to abortion	18
No answer	1
No answer	2

Q16. Do you think (INSERT ITEM) (IF ITEM A,B: is/IF ITEM C: are) doing (too much), (not enough), or about the right amount to limit access to abortion? (RANDOMIZE ITEMS A-C, ROTATE ITEM IN PARENTHESES)

*Based on those who **approve** of overturning Roe v. Wade*

	Too much	Not enough	About the right amount	No answer	
a. President Biden					
9/22	24	49	24	2	n=472
b. The U.S. Congress					
9/22	19	43	35	3	n=472
c. Your state officials					
9/22	13	38	46	2	n=472

Q11/Q16 Combo Table – President Biden

	9/22
Approve of the Supreme Court overturning Roe v. Wade	35
Too much to limit access to abortion	9
Not enough to limit access to abortion	17
About the right amount to limit access to abortion	8
No answer	1
Disapprove of the Supreme Court overturning Roe v. Wade	63
No answer	2

Q11/Q16 Combo Table – U.S. Congress

	9/22
Approve of the Supreme Court overturning Roe v. Wade	35
Too much to limit access to abortion	7
Not enough to limit access to abortion	15
About the right amount to limit access to abortion	12
No answer	1
Disapprove of the Supreme Court overturning Roe v. Wade	63
No answer	2

Q11/Q16 Combo Table – Your state officials

	9/22
Approve of the Supreme Court overturning Roe v. Wade	35
Too much to limit access to abortion	4
Not enough to limit access to abortion	13
About the right amount to limit access to abortion	16
No answer	1
Disapprove of the Supreme Court overturning Roe v. Wade	63
No answer	2

READ/DISPLAY TO ALL: These next questions will ask whether you support or oppose various laws regarding abortion policy.

Q17. Do you (support) or (oppose) laws [INSERT ITEM]? (RANDOMIZE ITEMS A-E, ROTATE TEXT IN PARENTHESES)

	Support	Oppose	Don't know	Refused/ Web blank	
a. Making it a crime for doctors to perform abortions that would result in either fines or prison time					
9/22	26	73	*	*	n=1,534
5/22	26	73	1	*	n=1,537
12/19	34	65	1	1	n=1,215
b. Making it a crime for a woman to get an abortion that would result in either fines or prison time					
9/22	21	77	1	1	n=1,534
5/22	20	79	1	1	n=1,537
12/19	25	74	*	1	n=1,215
c. Prohibiting abortions once cardiac activity, sometimes known as a fetal heartbeat, is detected usually around six weeks ⁴					
9/22	38	60	1	1	n=1,534
5/22	44	54	1	1	n=1,537
12/19	49	50	1	1	n=1,215
d. Allowing private citizens to sue people who provide or assist women in getting an abortion					
9/22	20	79	*	*	n=1,534
5/22	19	80	1	*	n=1,537
e. Prohibiting abortions even in cases of rape or incest					
9/22	18	81	*	1	n=1,534

READ/DISPLAY TO ALL: The next several questions are about your experiences and views of COVID-19 and the COVID-19 vaccine.

Q18. How worried, if at all, are you that you will get seriously sick from COVID-19?

	Very/ Somewhat worried (NET)	Very worried	Somewhat worried	Not too/Not at all worried (NET)	Not too worried	Not at all worried	This has already happened (Vol.)	No answer	
9/22	31	9	23	68	35	33	1	*	n=1,534
7/22	39	13	25	61	36	25	*	-	n=1,847
1/22	34	11	23	64	31	33	2	*	n=1,536
12/21 ⁵	50	14	35	50	34	17	-	*	n=1,065
11/21	30	10	20	67	32	35	3	*	n=1,820
10/21	33	10	23	64	30	34	3	1	n=1,519
9/21	38	12	26	58	28	30	4	*	n=1,519
7/21	34	12	22	65	33	32	-	1	n=1,517
6/21	23	8	15	74	33	41	-	2	n=1,888
5/21	30	13	17	67	27	41	-	2	n=1,526

⁴ December 2019 wording was: "Prohibiting abortions once cardiac activity, sometimes known as a fetal heartbeat, is detected"

⁵ December 2021 and prior months question wording was: "How worried, if at all, are you that you personally will get seriously sick from the coronavirus?"

VAXANY. Have you personally received at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine?

	9/22
Yes	77
No	23
No answer	*

VACHES2. Is there a chance you will get vaccinated for COVID-19 at some point, or will you definitely not get vaccinated?

Based on those who are unvaccinated

	9/22
Chance you will get vaccinated at some point	12
Definitely won't get vaccinated	88
No answer	*
	<i>n=337</i>

VAXSTATUS. Are you partially vaccinated, meaning you received just one dose of a two-dose vaccine, are you fully vaccinated but have not received a booster, or are you fully vaccinated and have also received at least one booster shot?

Based on those who have received a COVID-19 vaccine

	9/22
Partially vaccinated	4
Fully vaccinated but have not received a booster	34
Fully vaccinated and also received at least one booster shot	62
No answer	*
	<i>n=1,194</i>

VAXANY/VAXSTATUS Combo Table

	9/22
Yes, received at least one dose	77
Partially vaccinated	3
Fully vaccinated but have not received a booster	26
Fully vaccinated and also received at least one booster shot	47
No answer	*
Have not gotten a COVID-19 vaccine	23
No answer	*

BOOSTNUM. How many COVID-19 vaccine booster doses have you received?

Based on those who are fully vaccinated and boosted

	9/22
One	56
Two	27
Three	13
Four or more (Vol.)	3
No answer	*
	<i>n=785</i>

VAXRECENT. When did you receive your most recent COVID-19 vaccine dose, including any booster dose you may have gotten?

Based on those who are fully vaccinated or fully vaccinated and boosted

	9/22
Less than 2 months ago	6
At least 2 months ago but less than 6 months ago	21
6 months ago or longer	72
No answer	-
	<i>n=1,146</i>

Q19. How much, if anything, have you read or heard about a new, updated COVID-19 vaccine booster that targets both the newer omicron variants and the original strain of the virus?

	9/22
A lot/Some/A little (NET)	80
A lot	17
Some	33
A little	31
Nothing at all	20
No answer	*

READ/DISPLAY IF FULLY VACCINATED OR FULLY VACCINATED AND BOOSTED: As you may know, the Food and Drug Administration recently authorized a new, updated COVID-19 vaccine booster that targets both the new omicron variants and the original strain of the virus.

Q20. As far as you know, has the CDC recommended vaccinated people like you get the new, updated COVID-19 booster, has it not yet recommended the new booster for people like you, or are you not sure?

Based on those who are fully vaccinated or fully vaccinated and boosted

	9/22
Yes, the CDC has recommended the updated booster for people like me	49
No, the CDC has not recommended the updated booster for people like me	11
Not sure	40
Refused/Web blank	*
	<i>n=1,146</i>

Q21. Have you received a dose of the new, updated COVID-19 booster that has been available since early September?

Based on those who are fully vaccinated or fully vaccinated and boosted

	9/22
Yes, received new updated booster dose	6
No, have not received new updated booster dose	94
No answer	-
	<i>n=1,146</i>

Q22. As you may know, the CDC currently recommends that all adults who have received a COVID-19 vaccine get a dose of the new, updated COVID-19 booster after a certain amount of time has passed since their initial vaccination or last booster dose. Do you think you will...?

Based on those who are fully vaccinated and boosted but has not received the updated booster

	9/22
Get the updated booster as soon as you can	40
Wait and see how the updated booster is working for other people	27
Only get the updated booster if you are required to do so for work, school, or other activities	15
Definitely not get it	17
No answer	1
	<i>n=1,057</i>

Q21/Q22/VAXANY/VAXSTATUS Combo Table

	9/22
Got updated booster	5
Get updated booster as soon as possible	27
Wait and see	18
Only if required	10
Definitely not get updated booster	12
Not eligible for updated booster (unvaccinated or partially vaccinated)	27
No answer	1

CHILD. Are you the parent or guardian of any child under the age of 18 living in your household?

	9/22
Yes	29
No	71
No answer	*

CHILDAGE3. How many of your children are (INSERT ITEM)? (READ ITEMS A-D IN ORDER)

Based on those who are a parent or guardian of any child under the age of 18

	0/None	1	2 or more	No answer	
a. under six months old					
9/22	82	9	8	-	<i>n=481</i>
b. at least six months, but under five years old					
9/22	67	22	11	-	<i>n=481</i>
c. between the ages of 5 and 11					
9/22	49	34	17	-	<i>n=481</i>
d. between the ages of 12 and 17					
9/22	49	34	17	-	<i>n=481</i>

READ/DISPLAY IF PARENT: As you may know, the FDA has authorized the COVID-19 vaccine for use in children ages 6 months and older and has authorized booster doses for children 5 and older.

(READ/DISPLAY IF PARENT OF CHILD AGES 12-17) For the next set of questions, please think about your (oldest/youngest) child between the ages of 12 and 17.

VACC1KID. Thinking about your (oldest/youngest) child between the ages of 12-17, have they received at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine, or not? (Rotate between “oldest” and “youngest” insert text here at QN based on parent or guardian having more than one child ages 12-17)

Based on those who are a parent or guardian of a child ages 12-17

	9/22	7/22	4/22	2/22	1/22	11/21	10/21	9/21	7/21	6/21	5/21
Yes	62	57	56	57	61	49	46	48	41	34	24
No	37	42	43	41	37	48	53	49	58	63	75
Don't know	-	*	1	*	-	*	-	-	-	*	-
Refused/Web blank	*	*	1	2	2	2	1	3	*	3	2
	n=235	n=446	n=230	n=203	n=232	n=702	n=202	n=222	n=728	n=239	n=190

VACHESKID2. Thinking about your (IF CHILDAGE3_d=2: oldest/youngest) child between the ages of 12 and 17, do you think you will...? (ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-4/4-1)

Based on those who are a parent or guardian of an unvaccinated child ages 12-17

Insufficient sample size to report

VACC1KID/VACHESKID2 Combo table

Based on those who are a parent or guardian of a child ages 12-17

	9/22
Child received at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine	62
Get them vaccinated right away	*
Wait a while to see how it is working	2
Only get your child vaccinated if their school requires it	5
Definitely not get them vaccinated	31
No answer	*
	n=235

VACC1KID511. Now, thinking about your (oldest/youngest) child between the ages of 5 and 11, have they received at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine? (ROTATE ITEMS 1-4, 4-1; Rotate between “oldest” and “youngest” insert text here at QN based on parent or guardian having more than one child ages 5-11)

Based on those who are a parent or guardian of a child ages 5-11

	9/22	7/22	4/22	2/22	1/22	10/21
Yes	46	40	39	35	33	16
No	54	60	61	63	66	82
Don't know	-	*	1	*	-	-
Refused/Web blank	-	*	*	2	1	2
	n=251	n=518	n=227	n=188	n=212	n=667

VACHESKID2_511. Thinking about your (oldest/youngest) child between the ages of 5 and 11, do you think you will...? (ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-4/4-1)

Based on those who are a parent or guardian of an unvaccinated child ages 5-11

	9/22	7/22	4/22	2/22	1/22	11/21	10/21 ⁶	9/21	7/21
Get them vaccinated for COVID-19 right away	4	1	4	7	19	16	27	34	26
Wait a while to see how it is working	16	21	21	16	29	39	33	32	40
Only get your child vaccinated if their school requires it	15	16	19	17	14	9	5	7	9
Definitely not get them vaccinated for COVID-19	65	62	53	58	37	36	30	24	25
Don't know	-	-	2	1	1	1	4	3	*
Refused/Web blank	-	-	*	1	-	-	2	1	*
	n=144	n=304	n=138	n=124	n=144	n=562	n=219	n=217	n=674

VACC1KID511/VACHESKID2_511 Combo table

Based on those who are a parent or guardian of a child ages 5-11

	9/22	7/22	4/22	2/22	1/22	11/21	10/21 ⁷	9/21	7/21
Child received at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine	46	40	39	35	33	16	-	-	-
Get them vaccinated right away	2	1	2	4	13	13	27	34	26
Wait a while to see how it is working	9	12	13	10	19	32	33	32	40
Only get your child vaccinated if their school requires it	8	10	12	11	9	7	5	7	9
Definitely not get them vaccinated	35	37	32	36	24	29	30	24	25
No answer	-	1	2	3	2	2	6	4	*
	n=251	n=518	n=227	n=188	n=212	n=667	n=219	n=217	n=674

VACC1KID6mo4yr. Now, thinking about your (oldest/youngest) child between the ages of 6 months and 4 years, have they received at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine?

Based on those who are a parent or guardian of a child ages 6 months to 4 years old

	9/22	7/22
Yes	19	7
No	81	93
No answer	-	-
	n=179	n=416

⁶July-Oct. 2021 question asked: "Now, thinking about your (oldest/youngest) child between the ages of 5 and 11, once there is a COVID-19 vaccine authorized and available for your child's age group, do you think you will...?"

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VACHESKID6mo4yr. Thinking about your (oldest/youngest) child between the ages of 6 months and 4 years old do you think you will...? (ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-4/4-1)

Based on those who are a parent or guardian of an unvaccinated child ages 6 months to 4 years old

	9/22	7/22
Get them vaccinated for COVID-19 right away	7	11
Wait a while to see how it is working	17	28
Only get your child vaccinated if their school or childcare provider requires it	10	14
Definitely not get them vaccinated for COVID-19	65	47
Don't know	-	-
Refused/Web blank	-	*
	<i>n=146</i>	<i>n=381</i>

VACC1KID6mo4yr / VACHESKID6mo4yr Combo table

Based on those who are a parent or guardian of a child ages 6 months to 4 years old

	9/22
Child received at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine	19
Get them vaccinated right away	6
Wait a while to see how it is working	14
Only get your child vaccinated if their school requires it	8
Definitely not get them vaccinated	53
No answer	-
	<i>n=179</i>

READ/DISPLAY TO ALL: Now we have a few questions we will use to describe the people who took part in our survey...

Q23. In general how (easy) or (difficult) is it for you and your family to afford the cost of prescription drugs?

	5/22	10/21 ⁸
Very/Somewhat easy (NET)	65	59
Very easy	25	29
Somewhat easy	41	30
Somewhat/Very difficult	34	26
Somewhat difficult	27	15
Very difficult	8	11
No answer	1	*
	<i>n=1,534</i>	<i>n=1,146</i>

TEST1. Have you ever tested positive for coronavirus?

	9/22
Yes	47
No	53
No answer	*

⁸ Oct. 2021 question asked: "In general, how (easy) or (difficult) is it for you to afford to pay for prescription drugs?"
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CHRONICCOVID. Do you or anyone in your household have a serious health condition such as high blood pressure, heart disease, lung disease, cancer or diabetes?

	9/22
Yes, I have a serious health condition	23
Yes, someone else in my household has a serious health condition	16
Yes, both myself and someone else in my household have a serious health condition	9
No one in household has a serious health condition	51
No answer	*

PREG. Are you pregnant, trying to become pregnant, or planning to become pregnant in the next few years?

Based on those who do not identify as men and are under age 50

	9/22
Yes	19
No	81
No answer	-
	<i>n=611</i>

EDUC. What is the highest level of school you have completed or the highest degree you have received? (DO NOT READ LIST) [INTERVIEWER NOTE: Enter code 3-HS graduate if R completed vocational, business, technical, or training courses after high school that did NOT count toward an associate degree from a college, community college or university (e.g., training for a certificate or an apprenticeship)]

	9/22
HS grad or less (NET)	37
Less than high school (Grades 1-8 or no formal schooling)	2
High school incomplete (Grades 9-11 or Grade 12 with no diploma)	6
High school graduate (Grade 12 with diploma or GED certificate)	28
Some college (NET)	27
Some college, no degree (includes some community college)	19
Two-year associate degree from a college or university	8
College grad+ (NET)	36
Four-year college or university degree/Bachelor's degree	18
Some postgraduate or professional schooling, no postgraduate degree	5
Postgraduate or professional degree, including master's, doctorate, medical or law degree	12
No answer	*

MARITAL. Are you currently married, living with a partner, widowed, divorced, separated, or have you never been married?

	9/22
Married	51
Living with a partner	11
Widowed	4
Divorced	10
Separated	3
Never been married	22
No answer	*

HISPANIC. Are you, yourself, of Latino or Hispanic origin descent, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or some other Latin American background?

	9/22
Yes	17
No	83
No answer	*

RACE. What is your race? Are you White, Black or African American, American Indian or Alaska Native, Asian, or Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander, or some other race? You may choose one or more races.

	9/22
White	73
Black or African American	13
Asian	6
Other or mixed race	6
Don't Know/Refused/Web Blank (NET)	2

NATIVITY. Were you born in the United States, or on the island of Puerto Rico, or in another country?

Based on those who are of Latino or Hispanic origin descent, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or some other Latin American background

	9/22
U.S.	51
Puerto Rico	5
Another country	45
No answer	-
	<i>n=283</i>

COVERAGE. Are you, yourself, now covered by any form of health insurance or health plan or do you not have health insurance at this time? (READ IF NECESSARY: A health plan would include any private insurance plan through your employer or a plan that you purchased yourself, as well as a government program like Medicare or [Medicaid/Medi-CAL])?

	9/22
Covered by health insurance	90
Not covered by health insurance	10
No answer	-

AGECOV VARIABLE

	9/22
Insured less than 65	88
Uninsured less than 65	12
	<i>n=1,222</i>

COVTYPE. Which of the following is your MAIN source of health insurance coverage? Is it a plan through your employer, a plan through your spouse's employer, a plan you purchased yourself either from an insurance company or a state or federal marketplace, are you covered by Medicare or (Medicaid/[INSERT STATE-SPECIFIC MEDICAID NAME]), or do you get your health insurance from somewhere else? [INTERVIEWER NOTE: IF R SAYS THEY GOT INSURANCE THROUGH HEALTHCARE.GOV, OBAMACARE, OR A STATE HEALTH INSURANCE MARKETPLACE/EXCHANGE, CODE AS 3].

Based on those who are insured

	9/22
Plan through your employer	37
Plan through your spouse's employer	12
Plan you purchased yourself	8
Medicare	22
Medicaid/[state-specific medicaid name]	13
Somewhere else (specify)	4
Plan through your parents/mother/father (Vol.)	4
No answer	*
	<i>n=1,384</i>

LGBT. Do you consider yourself to be gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgender?

	9/22
Yes	9
No	91
No answer	*

EMPLOY. What best describes your employment situation today?

	9/22
Employed (NET)	57
Employed full-time	45
Employed part-time	11
Unemployed (NET)	6
Unemployed and currently seeking employment	4
Unemployed and not seeking employment	2
A student	4
Retired	20
On disability and can't work	7
A homemaker or stay at home parent	6
No answer	*

BORNAGAIN. Would you describe yourself as a "born-again" or evangelical Christian, or not?

Based on those who are Christian or don't know/refused religion

	9/22
Yes, born-again or Evangelical	28
No, not born-again or Evangelical	71
No answer	1

PPD. Do you use a prepaid plan for your cellphone? Prepaid plans, also known as pay-as-you-go or no-contract phone, are plans where the user pays for a specific amount of data usage or minutes in advance.

Based on those from probability panel web and phone sample

	9/22
Yes	9
No	91
No answer	*
	<i>n=1,282</i>

INT5. About how often do you use the Internet?

	9/22
Never	3
Almost constantly	40
Several times a day	45
About once a day	6
Several times a week	3
Less often	3
No answer	*

CE1. In the past 12 months, how often did you talk with any of your neighbors?

Based on prepaid sample

	9/22
Basically, every day	24
A few times a week	40
A few times a month	5
Once a month	9
Less than once a month	5
Not at all	17
No answer	-
	<i>n=252</i>

OWNHOME. Is your home owned or rented?

Based on prepaid sample

	9/22
Owned	55
Rented	42
No answer	3
	<i>n=252</i>

CE2. We are interested in volunteer activities for which people are not paid, except perhaps expenses. In the last 12 months, have you done any volunteer activities through or for an organization?

Based on prepaid sample

	9/22
Yes	25
No	75
No answer	-
	<i>N=252</i>

PARTY. In politics today, do you consider yourself a: (Republican), (Democrat), an Independent, or something else? (RANDOMIZE REPUBLICAN/DEMOCRAT)

	9/22
Republican	29
Democrat	32
Independent	26
Something else	13
No answer	*

PARTYLEAN. Do you LEAN more towards the (Republican) Party or the (Democratic) Party? (RANDOMIZE ITEMS IN SAME ORDER AS PARTY)

Based on those who are not Republican or Democrat

	9/22
Republican	30
Democratic	31
Independent/Don't lean to either party (Vol. on phone)/I don't lean toward either party (Web response option)	33
Other party (Vol.)	4
No answer	2
	<i>n=570</i>

Summary PARTY and PARTYLEAN

	9/22
Republican/Lean Republican	41
Democrat/Lean Democrat	44
Pure Independent	14
Undesignated	2

Five-Point Party ID

	9/22
Democrat	32
Independent Lean Democrat	12
Independent/Don't lean	14
Independent Lean Republican	12
Republican	29
Undesignated	2

IDEOLOGY. Would you say your views in most political matters are liberal, moderate, or conservative?

	9/22
Liberal	24
Moderate	44
Conservative	30
No answer	2

INCOME. Last year – that is, in 2021– what was your total family income from all sources, before taxes?

	9/22
Less than \$20,000	15
\$20,000 to less than \$30,000	8
\$30,000 to less than \$40,000	11
\$40,000 to less than \$50,000	9
\$50,000 to less than \$75,000	15
\$75,000 to less than \$90,000	11
\$90,000 to less than \$100,000	5
\$100,000 or more	22
No answer	3

HHADULTS. How many adults, age 18 and over, currently live in your household including yourself?

	9/22
1	23
2	51
3	14
4	9
5	1
6 or greater	1
No answer	*



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