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From August 27 to 31, 2021, Data for Progress conducted a survey of 753 likely voters in Florida using web panel respondents. The sample was weighted to be representative of likely voters by age, gender, education, race, and voting history. The survey was conducted in English. The margin of error is ±4 percentage points.

N=753 unless otherwise specified. Some values may not add up to 100 due to rounding.

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[1] How concerned or not concerned are you about the	Very concerned 609	<b>6</b> 77%	58%	44%
Delta variant of the coronavirus?	A little concerned	19	32	43
	Not at all concerned 8	2	10	12
	Haven't heard enough to say 1	1	0	1
		D	I	R
[2] Some officials have proposed mandating indoor mask usage in areas where there is a significant outbreak of COVID-19. Which statement comes closer to your view, even	Indoor mask usage should be required by the government in all public places	<b>6</b> 70%	49%	32%
if none of them are exactly right?	Indoor mask usage should be required by the government only in places where there is a COVID-19 outbreak	16	13	11
	Indoor mask usage should not be required by the government but should be encouraged	10	26	40
	Indoor mask usage should not be encouraged by the government 10	2	9	17
	Don't know	1	4	1
		D	I	R
[3] Do you think that local school districts should or should not be allowed to require masks?	Local school districts should be allowed to require masks 739	<b>6</b> 96%	73%	51%
	Local school districts should not be allowed to require masks 25	4	22	46
	Don't know	0	5	3
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[4] Do you approve or disapprove of the job that Governor	Strongly approve	5%	22%	54%
Ron DeSantis is doing handling the COVID-19 pandemic?	Somewhat approve	10	16	21
	Somewhat disapprove 12	11	17	9
	Strongly disapprove 40	72	39	13
	Don't know	2	6	3
	APPROVE (TOTAL) 45%	15%	38%	75%
	DISAPPROVE (TOTAL)	83	56	22
	APPROVE (NET)	-68	-18	+53

[5]	How	convincing	or	unconvincing	is	the	following
statement as a reason NOT to vote for Ron DeSantis?							

Instead of supporting proven solutions that reduce the spread of Covid in Florida, like the free and effective vaccine, Ron DeSantis is pushing an experimental treatment for people who already have COVID. And worse, this experimental treatment is backed by a wealthy donor who has given his campaign more than \$10 million. Even as Florida hospitals are overwhelmed by the surge in Covid cases, Ron DeSantis is more concerned about his donors than the people who actually voted for him. While Floridians are getting sicker, Ron's wealthy donors are getting richer.

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Very convincing 35%	59%	35%	13%
Somewhat convincing 19	19	23	16
Not too convincing	12	16	26
Not at all convincing 28	10	26	45
CONVINCING (TOTAL) 54%	78%	58%	29%
NOT CONVINCING (TOTAL) 46	22	42	71
CONVINCING (NET) +8	+56	+16	-42

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## **[6]** How convincing or unconvincing is the following statement as a reason NOT to vote for Ron DeSantis?

Florida hospitals are overwhelmed by Covid cases. It has gotten so bad that many hospitals have been forced to cancel certain surgeries and in some counties residents are being asked to think twice before calling 911. This hasn't stopped Ron DeSantis from fundraising off anti-vaccine paranoia through his campaign store, pandering to vaccine skeptics across the country to score points for his 2024 presidential campaign.

		D	ı	R
Very convincing	36%	61%	36%	14%
Somewhat convincing	19	18	18	20
Not too convincing	16	9	18	22
Not at all convincing	29	12	28	44
CONVINCING (TOTAL)	55%	79%	54%	34%
NOT CONVINCING (TOTAL)	45	21	46	66
CONVINCING (NET)	+10	+58	+8	-32

## [7] How convincing or unconvincing is the following statement as a reason NOT to vote for Ron DeSantis?

Whether right-wing or left-wing, we all know what a dictator looks like: a leader who denies reality no matter how big the lie. Whether it's downplaying the virus for political gain, prioritizing his cronies during the initial days of vaccine distribution, or attacking the reputations of doctors and scientists—Ron DeSantis uses his platform to undermine truth and further his own ambitions.

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Very convincing	34%	62%	33%	10%
Somewhat convincing	17	19	20	14
Not too convincing	16	10	18	21
Not at all convincing	32	8	29	55
CONVINCING (TOTAL)	51%	81%	53%	24%
NOT CONVINCING (TOTAL)	48	18	47	76
CONVINCING (NET)	+3	+63	+6	-52

## **[8]** How convincing or unconvincing is the following statement as a reason NOT to vote for Ron DeSantis?

DeSantis issued an executive order to defund any public school and fire any school official that wants to protect their students' health by asking them to wear masks. Families, schools and our communities must do everything we can to keep our families and kids safe and healthy. The state's medical community has repeatedly asked DeSantis to retract his executive order but he doubled down just as the very doctors begging for his help are under siege by the virus.

		D	I	R
Very convincing	43%	70%	39%	20
Somewhat convincing	19	13	25	20
Not too convincing	15	7	15	24
Not at all convincing	23	10	22	36
CONVINCING (TOTAL)	62%	83%	64%	40
NOT CONVINCING (TOTAL)	38	17	37	60
CONVINCING (NET)	+24	+66	+27	-20