

From March 17 to 21, 2022, Data for Progress conducted a survey of 1,133 likely voters nationally 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 ±3 percentage points.

NB: subgroups with a n-size less than 50 (<50) are not shown on these cross-tabs. We choose not to display N<50 subgroups because the sample is too small to have statistical significance. We did, however, take samples of these subgroups for representational and weighting purposes to accurately reflect the electorate makeup. Some values may not add up to 100 due to rounding.

N=1,133 unless otherwise specified.

[1] Due to the pandemic, the Biden administration paused payments on federally held student loans and suspended debt collection on defaulted loans. The suspension will remain in effect through May 1st, 2022.

Do you support or oppose the current pause on student loan payments?

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Black or African American	Hispanic or Latino/a	White	Has student loans	Does not have student loans
Strongly support	35	55	30	18	40	29	56	26	33	59	30
Somewhat support	32	30	36	31	32	32	21	45	32	29	33
Somewhat oppose	11	5	12	17	9	14	5	13	12	6	12
Strongly oppose	14	4	16	24	10	19	11	11	16	3	17
Don't know	7	6	5	10	8	7	8	5	8	4	8
SUPPORT (TOTAL)	67	85	66	49	72	61	77	71	65	88	63
OPPOSE (TOTAL)	25	9	28	41	19	33	16	24	28	9	29
SUPPORT (NET)	+42	+76	+38	+8	+53	+28	+61	+47	+37	+79	+34
Weighted N	1,133	427	275	431	600	533	129	96	837	197	936

[2] Due to the pandemic, the Biden administration paused payments on federally-held student loans. The suspension will remain in effect through May 1, 2022.

Do you support or oppose **extending** the pause on federal student loan payments through the end of the year?

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Black or African American	Hispanic or Latino/a	White	Has student loans	Does not have student loans
Strongly support	30	47	28	14	34	25	49	26	27	59	24
Somewhat support	30	35	30	24	29	30	29	42	28	25	31
Somewhat oppose	15	7	18	21	15	15	6	11	17	7	17
Strongly oppose	18	5	18	32	14	23	5	15	21	5	21
Don't know	7	6	5	9	7	7	12	6	7	4	8
SUPPORT (TOTAL)	60	82	58	38	63	55	78	68	55	84	55
OPPOSE (TOTAL)	33	12	36	53	29	38	11	26	38	12	38
SUPPORT (NET)	+27	+70	+22	-15	+34	+17	+67	+42	+17	+72	+17
Weighted N	1,133	427	275	431	600	533	129	96	837	197	936

[3] When thinking about what actions the federal government should take on student loan debt, which of the following is closest to your view, even if none of these are exactly right?

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Black or African American	Hispanic or Latino/a	White	Has student loans	Does not have student loans
The federal government should eliminate all student loan debt for every borrower.	23	35	24	11	27	18	43	30	19	47	18
The federal government should eliminate some student loan debt for every borrower.	36	44	35	29	38	34	29	35	37	39	36
The federal government should not eliminate any student loan debt at all.	33	10	35	53	26	40	9	29	37	9	38
Don't know	8	11	6	7	9	7	18	6	7	5	9
Weighted N	1,133	427	275	431	600	533	129	96	837	197	936

[4] When thinking about what actions the federal government should take on student loan debt for **low- and middle-income borrowers**, which of the following is closest to your view, even if none of those are exactly right?

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Black or African American	Hispanic or Latino/a	White	Has student loans	Does not have student loans
The federal government should eliminate all student loan debt for low- and middle-income borrowers.	32	50	30	15	36	27	45	34	29	54	27
The federal government should eliminate some student loan debt for low- and middle-income borrowers.	33	33	32	32	32	33	30	33	33	32	33
The federal government should not eliminate any student loan debt at all.	28	9	32	46	23	34	11	27	31	9	32
Don't know	7	8	6	7	9	6	14	6	6	5	8
Weighted N	1,133	427	275	431	600	533	129	96	837	197	936

From February 4 to March 21, 2022, Data for Progress conducted a survey of 837 likely voters who have student loans nationally 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 ±3 percentage points.

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N=837 unless otherwise specified.

[1] How confident or not confident are you in your ability to make student loan payments when the current pause on repayments ends May 1st, 2022?

Response	Topline	Black or African American	Hispanic or Latino/a	White
Very confident	18	13	18	20
Somewhat confident	21	25	23	20
A little confident	19	25	23	17
Not at all confident	41	37	36	43
Weighted N	837	166	75	521

[2] Do you expect major changes to your savings or spending – such as increasing credit card debt, saving less for goals or emergencies, or spending less on monthly necessities – if student loan repayment restarts?

Response	Topline	Black or African American	Hispanic or Latino/a	White
Yes, I expect major changes	59	58	60	60
No, I do not expect major changes	31	30	34	29
Don't know	10	11	7	10
Weighted N	837	166	75	521

[3] When the current pause on student loan repayments ends on May 1st, 2022, which of the following changes to your spending or saving do you expect? Select all that apply.

— I will increase my credit card debt.

Response	Topline	Black or African American	Hispanic or Latino/a	White
Yes	16	15	12	17
No	84	85	88	83
Weighted N	837	166	75	521

[4] When the current pause on student loan repayments ends on May 1st, 2022, which of the following changes to your spending or saving do you expect? Select all that apply.

— I will save less for short-term emergencies.

Response	Topline	Black or African American	Hispanic or Latino/a	White
Yes	33	29	39	35
No	67	71	61	65
Weighted N	837	166	75	521

[5] When the current pause on student loan repayments ends on May 1st, 2022, which of the following changes to your spending or saving do you expect? Select all that apply.

— I will save less for long-term goals (such as retirement or a child's college tuition)

Response	Topline	Black or African American	Hispanic or Latino/a	White
Yes	32	28	24	36
No	68	72	76	64
Weighted N	837	166	75	521

[6] When the current pause on student loan repayments ends on May 1st, 2022, which of the following changes to your spending or saving do you expect? Select all that apply.

— I will spend less on basic necessities (such as food, housing, or monthly bills)

Response	Topline	Black or African American	Hispanic or Latino/a	White
Yes	37	39	28	38
No	63	61	72	62
Weighted N	837	166	75	521