

# DATA FOR PROGRESS

From June 17 to 21, 2022, Data for Progress conducted a survey of 1,335 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  $\pm 3$  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=1,335 unless otherwise specified.

**[1]** Please select the option below that best describes your involvement with Social Security:

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Frontline District
I am 62 years or older and receive Social Security benefits	31	28	29	37	26	36	3	47	27	37	19	37	41
I am 62 years or older and do not receive any Social Security benefits	6	8	3	6	8	3	2	8	5	6	7	6	9
I am under 62 years old and receive Social Security benefits for another reason	11	12	10	11	10	13	13	10	13	8	13	10	5
I am under 62 years old and do not receive any Social Security benefits	52	52	58	45	56	48	82	35	54	48	61	47	45
Weighted N	1,335	430	453	452	686	649	478	857	843	492	129	1,029	145

**[2]** How concerned or not concerned are you about each of the following issues related to Social Security:

— The U.S. government running out of funding to cover full Social Security benefits for future generations

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Frontline District
Very concerned	64	67	62	62	71	57	50	71	65	62	60	66	67
Somewhat concerned	20	18	18	24	17	23	22	19	22	16	16	19	12
Only a little concerned	10	11	12	7	7	13	17	6	8	13	12	10	12
Not at all concerned	6	4	8	7	5	8	11	4	5	8	11	5	9
Weighted N	1,335	430	453	452	686	649	478	857	843	492	129	1,029	145

**[3]** How concerned or not concerned are you about each of the following issues related to Social Security:

— The U.S. government reducing Social Security benefits for those that currently receive them

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Frontline District
Very concerned	65	68	65	62	70	59	48	75	69	59	56	68	62
Somewhat concerned	21	19	21	23	19	23	26	18	20	23	24	20	20
Only a little concerned	7	7	8	7	6	9	14	3	6	10	7	7	12
Not at all concerned	7	6	6	8	5	8	12	4	6	8	13	6	6
Weighted N	1,335	430	453	452	686	649	478	857	843	492	129	1,029	145

**[4]** How concerned or not concerned are you about each of the following issues related to Social Security:

— The U.S. government privatizing part of Social Security

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Frontline District
Very concerned	53	60	48	52	54	52	39	61	54	52	56	54	52
Somewhat concerned	26	29	26	23	29	22	31	23	27	24	23	25	31
Only a little concerned	13	9	12	16	11	14	15	11	12	13	15	13	14
Not at all concerned	9	3	14	9	5	12	15	5	7	11	7	8	3
Weighted N	1,335	430	453	452	686	649	478	857	843	492	129	1,029	145

**[5]** Social Security is run by the federal government, which provides guaranteed benefits.

Some legislators in Congress are proposing a new rule that would privatize part of Social Security, meaning people would be allowed to move their Social Security funds out of the guaranteed government fund and into the stock market and private bonds.

Which of the following comes closer to your view, even if neither is exactly right?

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Frontline District
We should leave Social Security as it is.	68	75	59	70	68	68	55	75	68	68	76	68	82
We should privatize part of Social Security.	23	19	29	20	19	27	30	19	21	26	20	22	15
Don't know	9	6	12	9	13	6	15	6	11	5	4	9	3
Weighted N	1,335	430	453	452	686	649	478	857	843	492	129	1,029	145

**[6]** Some members of Congress are proposing new legislation to expand Social Security benefits.

This legislation would raise Social Security benefits for all beneficiaries in order to match the rising cost of living. This legislation would also protect Social Security benefits against rising inflation, and ensure that no one who has worked and paid into the system their entire lives will retire into poverty.

Do you support or oppose this proposal?

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Frontline District
Strongly support	61	68	59	57	61	61	44	70	60	63	64	62	58
Somewhat support	22	18	20	27	19	24	27	19	23	20	16	22	21
Somewhat oppose	7	6	7	7	5	8	11	4	6	7	7	6	12
Strongly oppose	3	3	2	4	4	2	5	2	3	3	6	3	1
Don't know	8	5	13	5	11	5	13	5	9	6	8	7	8
SUPPORT (TOTAL)	83	86	79	84	80	85	71	89	83	83	80	84	79
OPPOSE (TOTAL)	10	9	9	11	9	10	16	6	9	10	13	9	13
SUPPORT (NET)	+73	+77	+70	+73	+71	+75	+55	+83	+74	+73	+67	+75	+66
Weighted N	1,335	430	453	452	686	649	478	857	843	492	129	1,029	145

**[7]** Some members of Congress are proposing new legislation to expand Social Security benefits. This legislation would raise Social Security benefits for all beneficiaries in order to match the rising cost of living.

This legislation would also protect Social Security benefits against rising inflation, and ensure that no one who has worked and paid into the system their entire lives will retire into poverty.

This would be paid for by imposing, for the first time, payroll taxes on Americans making more than \$400,000 per year. Currently, payroll taxes are only imposed on those making \$147,000 and less.

Do you support or oppose this proposal?

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Frontline District
Strongly support	54	66	46	50	53	55	36	64	51	58	57	57	52
Somewhat support	22	17	27	23	21	23	27	20	25	18	21	21	23
Somewhat oppose	9	8	7	12	9	10	14	7	9	9	6	8	14
Strongly oppose	5	4	6	5	5	5	8	3	5	6	12	4	4
Don't know	10	5	14	10	12	7	15	6	10	9	4	10	8
SUPPORT (TOTAL)	76	83	73	73	74	78	63	84	76	76	78	78	75
OPPOSE (TOTAL)	14	12	13	17	14	15	22	10	14	15	18	12	18
SUPPORT (NET)	+62	+71	+60	+56	+60	+63	+41	+74	+62	+61	+60	+66	+57
Weighted N	1,335	430	453	452	686	649	478	857	843	492	129	1,029	145

**[8]** The following are policies that some members of Congress are considering as part of their plan to expand Social Security benefits. For each, please say whether you support or oppose it.

— Raise Social Security benefits across the board for all beneficiaries

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Frontline District
Strongly support	52	58	46	53	53	52	37	61	53	51	52	54	50
Somewhat support	25	23	30	23	25	26	27	24	24	27	26	26	25
Somewhat oppose	8	7	5	10	7	9	9	7	8	7	7	7	11
Strongly oppose	7	6	8	6	5	8	11	4	6	8	8	6	6
Don't know	8	6	11	7	11	5	16	4	9	7	8	7	9
SUPPORT (TOTAL)	77	81	76	76	78	78	64	85	77	78	78	80	75
OPPOSE (TOTAL)	15	13	13	16	12	17	20	11	14	15	15	13	17
SUPPORT (NET)	+62	+68	+63	+60	+66	+61	+44	+74	+63	+63	+63	+67	+58
Weighted N	1,335	430	453	452	686	649	478	857	843	492	129	1,029	145

**[9]** The following are policies that some members of Congress are considering as part of their plan to expand Social Security benefits. For each, please say whether you support or oppose it.

— Protect Social Security benefits against rising inflation by ensuring that benefits rise with the cost of living

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Frontline District
Strongly support	65	70	59	66	66	63	45	76	68	60	62	68	55
Somewhat support	19	16	20	21	16	22	24	17	15	25	18	19	23
Somewhat oppose	5	5	6	4	5	5	10	3	6	4	6	3	11
Strongly oppose	3	2	5	3	2	4	6	2	3	4	3	3	1
Don't know	8	6	11	5	10	5	15	3	8	6	11	6	10
SUPPORT (TOTAL)	84	86	79	87	82	85	69	93	83	85	80	87	78
OPPOSE (TOTAL)	8	7	11	7	7	9	16	5	9	8	9	6	12
SUPPORT (NET)	+76	+79	+68	+80	+75	+76	+53	+88	+74	+77	+71	+81	+66
Weighted N	1,335	430	453	452	686	649	478	857	843	492	129	1,029	145

**[10]** The following are policies that some members of Congress are considering as part of their plan to expand Social Security benefits. For each, please say whether you support or oppose it.

— Set the minimum benefit for Social Security to 25% above the poverty line

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Frontline District
Strongly support	40	49	34	40	42	39	29	47	42	37	43	43	38
Somewhat support	29	28	30	28	27	31	28	29	25	36	23	30	31
Somewhat oppose	9	8	7	12	6	11	13	6	11	5	6	8	14
Strongly oppose	5	3	8	4	5	5	9	3	3	8	8	4	4
Don't know	17	12	22	17	20	14	22	15	19	14	20	16	13
SUPPORT (TOTAL)	69	77	64	68	69	70	57	76	67	73	66	73	69
OPPOSE (TOTAL)	14	11	15	16	11	16	22	9	14	13	14	12	18
SUPPORT (NET)	+55	+66	+49	+52	+58	+54	+35	+67	+53	+60	+52	+61	+51
Weighted N	1,335	430	453	452	686	649	478	857	843	492	129	1,029	145

**[11]** The following are policies that some members of Congress are considering as part of their plan to expand Social Security benefits. For each, please say whether you support or oppose it.

— Improve Social Security benefits for widows and widowers

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Frontline District
Strongly support	51	52	50	50	55	46	32	62	53	47	51	53	55
Somewhat support	26	29	22	28	23	29	32	23	24	29	14	28	21
Somewhat oppose	9	8	7	11	5	13	14	6	9	9	14	7	13
Strongly oppose	4	4	6	3	5	4	8	3	4	5	8	3	5
Don't know	10	7	14	8	11	8	14	7	10	10	13	9	6
SUPPORT (TOTAL)	77	81	72	78	78	75	64	85	77	76	65	81	76
OPPOSE (TOTAL)	13	12	13	14	10	17	22	9	13	14	22	10	18
SUPPORT (NET)	+64	+69	+59	+64	+68	+58	+42	+76	+64	+62	+43	+71	+58
Weighted N	1,335	430	453	452	686	649	478	857	843	492	129	1,029	145

**[12]** The following are policies that some members of Congress are considering as part of their plan to expand Social Security benefits. For each, please say whether you support or oppose it.

— Ensure that firefighters, teachers, and police do not lose benefits because they didn't have their Social Security taxes withheld from their paychecks

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Frontline District
Strongly support	41	51	33	38	44	37	36	43	39	43	46	40	54
Somewhat support	27	26	29	27	27	28	28	27	30	23	24	28	17
Somewhat oppose	12	10	12	13	7	17	13	11	12	12	9	13	17
Strongly oppose	8	3	11	8	6	9	8	8	6	10	9	8	3
Don't know	12	9	15	13	16	8	16	11	13	11	13	12	9
SUPPORT (TOTAL)	68	77	62	65	71	65	64	70	69	66	70	68	71
OPPOSE (TOTAL)	20	13	23	21	13	26	21	19	18	22	18	21	20
SUPPORT (NET)	+48	+64	+39	+44	+58	+39	+43	+51	+51	+44	+52	+47	+51
Weighted N	1,335	430	453	452	686	649	478	857	843	492	129	1,029	145

**[13]** The following are policies that some members of Congress are considering as part of their plan to expand Social Security benefits. For each, please say whether you support or oppose it.

— End the 5-month waiting period for people with severe illness so they can receive benefits right away

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Frontline District
Strongly support	58	63	55	56	61	55	51	62	56	61	59	59	60
Somewhat support	21	22	21	20	18	24	20	22	23	18	23	20	14
Somewhat oppose	7	6	4	9	6	7	10	5	7	6	4	7	17
Strongly oppose	4	4	4	5	4	5	6	4	4	5	3	5	3
Don't know	10	5	15	10	11	9	14	8	10	11	11	9	6
SUPPORT (TOTAL)	79	85	76	76	79	79	71	84	79	79	82	79	74
OPPOSE (TOTAL)	11	10	8	14	10	12	16	9	11	11	7	12	20
SUPPORT (NET)	+68	+75	+68	+62	+69	+67	+55	+75	+68	+68	+75	+67	+54
Weighted N	1,335	430	453	452	686	649	478	857	843	492	129	1,029	145

**[14]** The following are policies that some members of Congress are considering as part of their plan to expand Social Security benefits. For each, please say whether you support or oppose it.

— Ensure caregivers can get credit for the time they spend caring for children and parents

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Frontline District
Strongly support	47	54	41	46	54	39	35	53	47	45	48	47	45
Somewhat support	30	28	31	30	23	37	28	31	30	29	22	32	30
Somewhat oppose	8	7	7	11	7	9	11	6	8	8	13	7	11
Strongly oppose	5	4	5	5	4	5	7	4	4	6	4	5	5
Don't know	11	8	16	8	12	10	19	6	10	11	13	10	8
SUPPORT (TOTAL)	77	82	72	76	77	76	63	84	77	74	70	79	75
OPPOSE (TOTAL)	13	11	12	16	11	14	18	10	12	14	17	12	16
SUPPORT (NET)	+64	+71	+60	+60	+66	+62	+45	+74	+65	+60	+53	+67	+59
Weighted N	1,335	430	453	452	686	649	478	857	843	492	129	1,029	145

**[15]** The following are policies that some members of Congress are considering as part of their plan to expand Social Security benefits. For each, please say whether you support or oppose it.

— Cut taxes on Social Security benefits for middle-income seniors

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Frontline District
Strongly support	47	53	38	50	50	43	31	55	49	43	44	49	48
Somewhat support	25	21	31	24	23	28	28	24	23	29	25	25	24
Somewhat oppose	9	10	8	10	7	12	14	7	9	9	12	9	8
Strongly oppose	8	8	10	7	7	9	9	8	6	12	9	8	5
Don't know	10	9	14	8	13	8	17	6	12	7	11	9	16
SUPPORT (TOTAL)	72	74	69	74	73	71	59	79	72	72	69	74	72
OPPOSE (TOTAL)	17	18	18	17	14	21	23	15	15	21	21	17	13
SUPPORT (NET)	+55	+56	+51	+57	+59	+50	+36	+64	+57	+51	+48	+57	+59
Weighted N	1,335	430	453	452	686	649	478	857	843	492	129	1,029	145

**[16]** Some members of Congress are considering imposing payroll taxes on Americans making more than \$400,000 a year as part of their plan to pay for new, expanded Social Security benefits.

Do you support or oppose this proposal?

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Frontline District
Strongly support	51	66	42	45	52	50	35	60	49	54	58	53	47
Somewhat support	25	20	31	25	22	28	32	22	24	26	24	24	30
Somewhat oppose	10	7	11	13	9	11	13	8	10	10	7	10	8
Strongly oppose	6	2	6	11	5	8	8	5	7	6	4	7	6
Don't know	7	5	10	7	11	3	12	4	9	4	7	6	9
SUPPORT (TOTAL)	76	86	73	70	74	78	67	82	73	80	82	77	77
OPPOSE (TOTAL)	16	9	17	24	14	19	21	13	17	16	11	17	14
SUPPORT (NET)	+60	+77	+56	+46	+60	+59	+46	+69	+56	+64	+71	+60	+63
Weighted N	1,335	430	453	452	686	649	478	857	843	492	129	1,029	145

**[17]** Which of the following comes closer to your view, even if neither is exactly right?

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Frontline District
We should expand Social Security benefits for all beneficiaries to address the higher cost of living.	82	88	73	86	83	81	67	90	84	79	83	83	78
We should end Social Security benefits in 5 years for all beneficiaries to close the funding gap.	7	7	7	6	5	9	13	3	5	10	12	6	9
Don't know	11	5	20	8	12	10	20	6	11	11	6	11	12
Weighted N	1,335	430	453	452	686	649	478	857	843	492	129	1,029	145

**[18]** Democrats in Congress are proposing to **expand** Social Security benefits for all beneficiaries to address the higher cost of living.

Republicans in Congress are proposing to **end** Social Security benefits in the next 5 years for all beneficiaries to close the funding gap.

If the election for U.S. Congress in your district was held today, which of the following candidates are you most likely to vote for?

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Frontline District
The Democrat	55	97	49	22	59	52	55	56	52	61	83	51	53
The Republican	31	2	23	66	27	35	31	31	34	25	12	34	28
Don't know	14	1	28	13	14	14	14	14	14	14	5	15	19
Weighted N	1,335	430	453	452	686	649	478	857	843	492	129	1,029	145