

DATA FOR **PROGRESS**

From March 28 to April 3, 2023, Data for Progress conducted a survey of 548 likely voters in New York's 22nd Congressional District using SMS and web panel respondents. The sample was weighted to be representative of likely voters by age, gender, education, race, geography, and voting history. The survey was conducted in English. The margin of error is ± 4 percentage points.

Partisan switchers are defined as likely voters who have reported voting for both Democrats and Republicans in the past, such as Biden-Zeldin voters.

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=548 unless otherwise specified.

[1] Some lawmakers in Congress are considering a proposal to raise the retirement age to 70 for future generations up from 67 years.

This would mean that those Americans would be unable to receive their full Social Security benefits until they turn 70.

How much have you heard or read about this proposal?

| Response | Topline | Democrat | Independent / Third party | Republican | Female | Male | Under 45 | 45+ | No College | College | White | Partisan Switchers |
|----------------|---------|----------|---------------------------|------------|--------|------|----------|-----|------------|---------|-------|--------------------|
| A lot | 13 | 20 | 7 | 12 | 13 | 12 | 10 | 14 | 13 | 12 | 12 | 13 |
| Some | 49 | 50 | 50 | 46 | 46 | 53 | 44 | 51 | 47 | 51 | 51 | 49 |
| Nothing at all | 39 | 30 | 43 | 42 | 42 | 35 | 46 | 35 | 40 | 37 | 37 | 38 |
| Weighted N | 548 | 173 | 210 | 165 | 294 | 254 | 189 | 359 | 351 | 197 | 479 | 244 |

[2] When thinking about proposals to raise the retirement age to 70 for future generations up from 67 years, which statement comes closer to your view, even if none of them is exactly right?

| Response | Topline | Democrat | Independent / Third party | Republican | Female | Male | Under 45 | 45+ | No College | College | White | Partisan Switchers |
|--|---------|----------|---------------------------|------------|--------|------|----------|-----|------------|---------|-------|--------------------|
| We should lower the retirement age back down to 65 | 49 | 46 | 55 | 45 | 50 | 48 | 67 | 40 | 53 | 42 | 47 | 44 |
| We should leave the retirement age as it is | 42 | 48 | 35 | 46 | 43 | 41 | 28 | 49 | 42 | 42 | 43 | 45 |
| We should raise the retirement age to 70 | 7 | 5 | 9 | 8 | 5 | 10 | 5 | 9 | 4 | 13 | 8 | 11 |
| Don't know | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| Weighted N | 548 | 173 | 210 | 165 | 294 | 254 | 189 | 359 | 351 | 197 | 479 | 244 |

[3] For each of the following programs, say whether you think the U.S. government should cut funding, increase funding, or keep funding the same.

— Social Security

| Response | Topline | Democrat | Independent / Third party | Republican | Female | Male | Under 45 | 45+ | No College | College | White | Partisan Switchers |
|--|---------|----------|---------------------------|------------|--------|------|----------|-----|------------|---------|-------|--------------------|
| We should increase funding for this program | 63 | 69 | 63 | 54 | 66 | 59 | 54 | 67 | 67 | 54 | 62 | 57 |
| We should keep funding the same for this program | 30 | 27 | 27 | 37 | 32 | 28 | 30 | 30 | 26 | 37 | 31 | 39 |
| We should cut funding for this program | 4 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 8 | 9 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 2 |
| Don't know | 4 | 1 | 7 | 3 | 2 | 6 | 7 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 2 |
| Weighted N | 548 | 173 | 210 | 165 | 294 | 254 | 189 | 359 | 351 | 197 | 479 | 244 |

[4] For each of the following programs, say whether you think the U.S. government should cut funding, increase funding, or keep funding the same.

— Medicare

| Response | Topline | Democrat | Independent / Third party | Republican | Female | Male | Under 45 | 45+ | No College | College | White | Partisan Switchers |
|--|---------|----------|---------------------------|------------|--------|------|----------|-----|------------|---------|-------|--------------------|
| We should increase funding for this program | 60 | 78 | 57 | 46 | 62 | 58 | 64 | 59 | 65 | 52 | 59 | 47 |
| We should keep funding the same for this program | 34 | 21 | 37 | 44 | 35 | 34 | 27 | 38 | 32 | 39 | 36 | 48 |
| We should cut funding for this program | 3 | 0 | 4 | 6 | 1 | 6 | 8 | 1 | 2 | 7 | 3 | 3 |
| Don't know | 2 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Weighted N | 548 | 173 | 210 | 165 | 294 | 254 | 189 | 359 | 351 | 197 | 479 | 244 |

[5] For each of the following programs, say whether you think the U.S. government should cut funding, increase funding, or keep funding the same.

— Medicaid

| Response | Topline | Democrat | Independent / Third party | Republican | Female | Male | Under 45 | 45+ | No College | College | White | Partisan Switchers |
|--|---------|----------|---------------------------|------------|--------|------|----------|-----|------------|---------|-------|--------------------|
| We should increase funding for this program | 45 | 68 | 39 | 27 | 41 | 49 | 51 | 41 | 48 | 39 | 41 | 29 |
| We should keep funding the same for this program | 39 | 27 | 45 | 45 | 43 | 35 | 34 | 42 | 39 | 40 | 42 | 53 |
| We should cut funding for this program | 12 | 2 | 12 | 23 | 10 | 14 | 14 | 11 | 10 | 17 | 13 | 13 |
| Don't know | 4 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 5 |
| Weighted N | 548 | 173 | 210 | 165 | 294 | 254 | 189 | 359 | 351 | 197 | 479 | 244 |

[6] Due to a lack of funding, Social Security may be unable to pay full benefits to future generations starting as early as 2034.

Knowing this, would you support or oppose **cutting** Social Security benefits?

| Response | Topline | Democrat | Independent / Third party | Republican | Female | Male | Under 45 | 45+ | No College | College | White | Partisan Switchers |
|------------------|---------|----------|---------------------------|------------|--------|------|----------|-----|------------|---------|-------|--------------------|
| Strongly support | 3 | 5 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 7 | 7 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 3 |
| Somewhat support | 7 | 4 | 8 | 9 | 5 | 10 | 12 | 4 | 6 | 8 | 8 | 6 |
| Somewhat oppose | 12 | 10 | 7 | 18 | 12 | 11 | 11 | 12 | 12 | 11 | 11 | 10 |
| Strongly oppose | 76 | 81 | 80 | 66 | 81 | 71 | 69 | 80 | 77 | 74 | 76 | 79 |
| Don't know | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| SUPPORT (TOTAL) | 10 | 9 | 10 | 13 | 6 | 17 | 19 | 6 | 9 | 12 | 11 | 9 |
| OPPOSE (TOTAL) | 88 | 91 | 87 | 84 | 93 | 82 | 80 | 92 | 89 | 85 | 87 | 89 |
| SUPPORT (NET) | -78 | -82 | -77 | -71 | -87 | -65 | -61 | -86 | -80 | -73 | -76 | -80 |
| Weighted N | 548 | 173 | 210 | 165 | 294 | 254 | 189 | 359 | 351 | 197 | 479 | 244 |

[7] In order to protect Social Security for future generations, if presented with the options of reducing Social Security benefits to retirees **OR** raising taxes only on the wealthy to pay for Social Security, which choice do you prefer?

| Response | Topline | Democrat | Independent / Third party | Republican | Female | Male | Under 45 | 45+ | No College | College | White | Partisan Switchers |
|---|---------|----------|---------------------------|------------|--------|------|----------|-----|------------|---------|-------|--------------------|
| Reducing Social Security benefits to retirees | 7 | 3 | 5 | 13 | 3 | 11 | 13 | 3 | 4 | 11 | 7 | 6 |
| Raising taxes on the wealthy to ensure we can maintain Social Security benefits | 82 | 97 | 79 | 71 | 91 | 72 | 78 | 84 | 84 | 79 | 84 | 81 |
| Don't know | 11 | 0 | 16 | 16 | 6 | 17 | 9 | 12 | 12 | 10 | 9 | 14 |
| Weighted N | 548 | 173 | 210 | 165 | 294 | 254 | 189 | 359 | 351 | 197 | 479 | 244 |

[8] Due to a lack of funding, Social Security and Medicare may be unable to pay full benefits to future generations starting as early as 2034. In order to protect Social Security and Medicare for future generations, lawmakers are considering a number of proposals to reform the program.

Currently, American workers pay payroll taxes that go towards Social Security only on the first \$160,000 of their income.

Please indicate if you would support or oppose each of the following proposals.

— Raising the retirement age, so that Americans begin receiving Social Security and Medicare at 70 instead of 67.

| Response | Topline | Democrat | Independent / Third party | Republican | Female | Male | Under 45 | 45+ | No College | College | White | Partisan Switchers |
|------------------|---------|----------|---------------------------|------------|--------|------|----------|-----|------------|---------|-------|--------------------|
| Strongly support | 4 | 2 | 5 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 8 | 5 | 5 |
| Somewhat support | 10 | 9 | 13 | 8 | 11 | 10 | 4 | 13 | 9 | 12 | 10 | 13 |
| Somewhat oppose | 19 | 19 | 17 | 21 | 22 | 15 | 17 | 20 | 16 | 24 | 20 | 25 |
| Strongly oppose | 62 | 66 | 58 | 61 | 62 | 62 | 67 | 59 | 67 | 52 | 61 | 55 |
| Don't know | 5 | 4 | 7 | 3 | 3 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 2 |
| SUPPORT (TOTAL) | 14 | 11 | 18 | 14 | 14 | 15 | 7 | 18 | 11 | 20 | 15 | 18 |
| OPPOSE (TOTAL) | 81 | 85 | 75 | 82 | 84 | 77 | 84 | 79 | 83 | 76 | 81 | 80 |
| SUPPORT (NET) | -67 | -74 | -57 | -68 | -70 | -62 | -77 | -61 | -72 | -56 | -66 | -62 |
| Weighted N | 548 | 173 | 210 | 165 | 294 | 254 | 189 | 359 | 351 | 197 | 479 | 244 |

[9] Due to a lack of funding, Social Security and Medicare may be unable to pay full benefits to future generations starting as early as 2034. In order to protect Social Security and Medicare for future generations, lawmakers are considering a number of proposals to reform the program.

Currently, American workers pay payroll taxes that go towards Social Security only on the first \$160,000 of their income.

Please indicate if you would support or oppose each of the following proposals.

— Reducing Social Security's annual cost of living adjustments.

| Response | Topline | Democrat | Independent / Third party | Republican | Female | Male | Under 45 | 45+ | No College | College | White | Partisan Switchers |
|------------------|---------|----------|---------------------------|------------|--------|------|----------|-----|------------|---------|-------|--------------------|
| Strongly support | 5 | 6 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 3 |
| Somewhat support | 6 | 9 | 3 | 6 | 8 | 4 | 9 | 4 | 5 | 8 | 7 | 8 |
| Somewhat oppose | 18 | 16 | 19 | 19 | 17 | 21 | 20 | 18 | 16 | 22 | 19 | 20 |
| Strongly oppose | 57 | 60 | 58 | 53 | 60 | 54 | 37 | 68 | 59 | 55 | 57 | 59 |
| Don't know | 14 | 9 | 15 | 17 | 12 | 16 | 27 | 7 | 16 | 10 | 14 | 10 |
| SUPPORT (TOTAL) | 11 | 15 | 7 | 11 | 12 | 9 | 16 | 7 | 9 | 13 | 10 | 11 |
| OPPOSE (TOTAL) | 75 | 76 | 77 | 72 | 77 | 75 | 57 | 86 | 75 | 77 | 76 | 79 |
| SUPPORT (NET) | -64 | -61 | -70 | -61 | -65 | -66 | -41 | -79 | -66 | -64 | -66 | -68 |
| Weighted N | 548 | 173 | 210 | 165 | 294 | 254 | 189 | 359 | 351 | 197 | 479 | 244 |

[10] Due to a lack of funding, Social Security and Medicare may be unable to pay full benefits to future generations starting as early as 2034. In order to protect Social Security and Medicare for future generations, lawmakers are considering a number of proposals to reform the program.

Currently, American workers pay payroll taxes that go towards Social Security only on the first \$160,000 of their income.

Please indicate if you would support or oppose each of the following proposals.

— Reducing Social Security benefits for middle class retirees to the same flat level as low-income and working class retirees.

| Response | Topline | Democrat | Independent / Third party | Repub- lican | Female | Male | Under 45 | 45+ | No College | College | White | Partisan Switchers |
|------------------|---------|----------|---------------------------|-----------------|--------|------|-------------|-----|---------------|---------|-------|-----------------------|
| Strongly support | 5 | 7 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 10 | 2 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 2 |
| Somewhat support | 13 | 7 | 17 | 14 | 12 | 14 | 20 | 10 | 13 | 13 | 14 | 12 |
| Somewhat oppose | 18 | 21 | 15 | 18 | 15 | 20 | 19 | 17 | 15 | 22 | 17 | 19 |
| Strongly oppose | 55 | 52 | 57 | 57 | 58 | 52 | 37 | 65 | 56 | 54 | 57 | 60 |
| Don't know | 9 | 14 | 7 | 8 | 11 | 8 | 14 | 7 | 10 | 8 | 8 | 7 |
| SUPPORT (TOTAL) | 18 | 14 | 21 | 18 | 16 | 19 | 30 | 12 | 19 | 15 | 18 | 14 |
| OPPOSE (TOTAL) | 73 | 73 | 72 | 75 | 73 | 72 | 56 | 82 | 71 | 76 | 74 | 79 |
| SUPPORT (NET) | -55 | -59 | -51 | -57 | -57 | -53 | -26 | -70 | -52 | -61 | -56 | -65 |
| Weighted N | 548 | 173 | 210 | 165 | 294 | 254 | 189 | 359 | 351 | 197 | 479 | 244 |

[11] Due to a lack of funding, Social Security and Medicare may be unable to pay full benefits to future generations starting as early as 2034. In order to protect Social Security and Medicare for future generations, lawmakers are considering a number of proposals to reform the program.

Currently, American workers pay payroll taxes that go towards Social Security only on the first \$160,000 of their income.

Please indicate if you would support or oppose each of the following proposals.

— Providing Social Security benefits only to those who would be in poverty without them.

| Response | Topline | Democrat | Independent / Third party | Repub- lican | Female | Male | Under 45 | 45+ | No College | College | White | Partisan Switchers |
|------------------|---------|----------|---------------------------|-----------------|--------|------|-------------|-----|---------------|---------|-------|-----------------------|
| Strongly support | 7 | 11 | 6 | 5 | 8 | 7 | 13 | 5 | 10 | 3 | 4 | 4 |
| Somewhat support | 9 | 3 | 12 | 12 | 5 | 14 | 12 | 8 | 9 | 9 | 10 | 8 |
| Somewhat oppose | 20 | 23 | 18 | 19 | 21 | 19 | 26 | 17 | 20 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| Strongly oppose | 56 | 57 | 56 | 56 | 58 | 55 | 40 | 65 | 53 | 63 | 58 | 61 |
| Don't know | 7 | 5 | 8 | 8 | 9 | 6 | 10 | 6 | 8 | 5 | 7 | 5 |
| SUPPORT (TOTAL) | 16 | 14 | 18 | 17 | 13 | 21 | 25 | 13 | 19 | 12 | 14 | 12 |
| OPPOSE (TOTAL) | 76 | 80 | 74 | 75 | 79 | 74 | 66 | 82 | 73 | 83 | 79 | 83 |
| SUPPORT (NET) | -60 | -66 | -56 | -58 | -66 | -53 | -41 | -69 | -54 | -71 | -65 | -71 |
| Weighted N | 548 | 173 | 210 | 165 | 294 | 254 | 189 | 359 | 351 | 197 | 479 | 244 |

[12] Due to a lack of funding, Social Security and Medicare may be unable to pay full benefits to future generations starting as early as 2034. In order to protect Social Security and Medicare for future generations, lawmakers are considering a number of proposals to reform the program.

Currently, American workers pay payroll taxes that go towards Social Security only on the first \$160,000 of their income.

Please indicate if you would support or oppose each of the following proposals.

— Improving the security of Medicare and lowering prescription drug costs for seniors by allowing Medicare to negotiate with drug companies over the prices of a wide range of prescription drugs.

| Response | Topline | Democrat | Independent / Third party | Republican | Female | Male | Under 45 | 45+ | No College | College | White | Partisan Switchers |
|------------------|---------|----------|---------------------------|------------|--------|------|----------|-----|------------|---------|-------|--------------------|
| Strongly support | 70 | 83 | 68 | 60 | 72 | 68 | 67 | 72 | 71 | 69 | 70 | 75 |
| Somewhat support | 18 | 10 | 19 | 25 | 18 | 18 | 19 | 18 | 16 | 22 | 18 | 20 |
| Somewhat oppose | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Strongly oppose | 3 | 2 | 2 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 |
| Don't know | 7 | 3 | 9 | 9 | 7 | 7 | 9 | 6 | 8 | 5 | 7 | 2 |
| SUPPORT (TOTAL) | 88 | 93 | 87 | 85 | 90 | 86 | 86 | 90 | 87 | 91 | 88 | 95 |
| OPPOSE (TOTAL) | 5 | 4 | 4 | 7 | 3 | 7 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 3 |
| SUPPORT (NET) | +83 | +89 | +83 | +78 | +87 | +79 | +81 | +86 | +82 | +87 | +83 | +92 |
| Weighted N | 548 | 173 | 210 | 165 | 294 | 254 | 189 | 359 | 351 | 197 | 479 | 244 |

[13] Due to a lack of funding, Social Security and Medicare may be unable to pay full benefits to future generations starting as early as 2034. In order to protect Social Security and Medicare for future generations, lawmakers are considering a number of proposals to reform the program.

Currently, American workers pay payroll taxes that go towards Social Security only on the first \$160,000 of their income.

Please indicate if you would support or oppose each of the following proposals.

— Letting private banks rather than the U.S. Treasury Department invest part or all of the Social Security trust fund in the stock market.

| Response | Topline | Democrat | Independent / Third party | Republican | Female | Male | Under 45 | 45+ | No College | College | White | Partisan Switchers |
|------------------|---------|----------|---------------------------|------------|--------|------|----------|-----|------------|---------|-------|--------------------|
| Strongly support | 9 | 8 | 4 | 16 | 7 | 10 | 13 | 6 | 8 | 10 | 9 | 7 |
| Somewhat support | 19 | 9 | 21 | 25 | 18 | 19 | 14 | 21 | 19 | 17 | 20 | 23 |
| Somewhat oppose | 11 | 15 | 6 | 13 | 13 | 8 | 8 | 12 | 8 | 16 | 10 | 12 |
| Strongly oppose | 38 | 50 | 40 | 24 | 31 | 47 | 38 | 39 | 38 | 40 | 37 | 40 |
| Don't know | 23 | 18 | 29 | 22 | 30 | 15 | 27 | 21 | 27 | 17 | 25 | 18 |
| SUPPORT (TOTAL) | 28 | 17 | 25 | 41 | 25 | 29 | 27 | 27 | 27 | 27 | 29 | 30 |
| OPPOSE (TOTAL) | 49 | 65 | 46 | 37 | 44 | 55 | 46 | 51 | 46 | 56 | 47 | 52 |
| SUPPORT (NET) | -21 | -48 | -21 | +4 | -19 | -26 | -19 | -24 | -19 | -29 | -18 | -22 |
| Weighted N | 548 | 173 | 210 | 165 | 294 | 254 | 189 | 359 | 351 | 197 | 479 | 244 |

[14] Due to a lack of funding, Social Security and Medicare may be unable to pay full benefits to future generations starting as early as 2034. In order to protect Social Security and Medicare for future generations, lawmakers are considering a number of proposals to reform the program.

Currently, American workers pay payroll taxes that go towards Social Security only on the first \$160,000 of their income.

Please indicate if you would support or oppose each of the following proposals.

— Keeping Social Security benefits for current retirees and those close to retirement the same, but reducing benefits for future retirees.

| Response | Topline | Democrat | Independent / Third party | Repub- lican | Female | Male | Under 45 | 45+ | No College | College | White | Partisan Switchers |
|------------------|---------|----------|---------------------------|-----------------|--------|------|-------------|-----|---------------|---------|-------|-----------------------|
| Strongly support | 4 | 2 | 4 | 7 | 2 | 6 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 4 |
| Somewhat support | 14 | 12 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 13 | 10 | 16 | 13 | 17 | 14 | 19 |
| Somewhat oppose | 22 | 24 | 19 | 25 | 25 | 19 | 20 | 23 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 28 |
| Strongly oppose | 49 | 53 | 49 | 43 | 47 | 50 | 45 | 50 | 48 | 49 | 48 | 44 |
| Don't know | 11 | 9 | 13 | 10 | 11 | 11 | 18 | 7 | 13 | 7 | 11 | 5 |
| SUPPORT (TOTAL) | 18 | 14 | 19 | 22 | 17 | 19 | 16 | 19 | 17 | 22 | 18 | 23 |
| OPPOSE (TOTAL) | 71 | 77 | 68 | 68 | 72 | 69 | 65 | 73 | 70 | 72 | 72 | 72 |
| SUPPORT (NET) | -53 | -63 | -49 | -46 | -55 | -50 | -49 | -54 | -53 | -50 | -54 | -49 |
| Weighted N | 548 | 173 | 210 | 165 | 294 | 254 | 189 | 359 | 351 | 197 | 479 | 244 |

[15] THE FOLLOWING POLICY QUESTION PAIRS WERE SHOWN TO HALF THE SAMPLE RANDOMLY

Due to a lack of funding, Social Security and Medicare may be unable to pay full benefits to future generations starting as early as 2034. In order to protect Social Security and Medicare for future generations, lawmakers are considering a number of proposals to reform the program.

Currently, American workers pay payroll taxes that go towards Social Security only on the first \$160,000 of their income.

Please indicate if you would support or oppose each of the following proposals.

— **[Split 1A]** Improving the security of Medicare's finances by modestly increasing the Medicare tax on Americans who make \$400,000 a year or more from 3.8% to 5%.

(N=286)

| Response | Topline | Democrat | Independent / Third party | Republican | Female | Male | Under 45 | 45+ | No College | College | White | Partisan Switchers |
|------------------|---------|----------|---------------------------|------------|--------|------|----------|-----|------------|---------|-------|--------------------|
| Strongly support | 60 | 84 | 53 | 43 | 68 | 51 | 64 | 58 | 62 | 57 | 62 | 58 |
| Somewhat support | 25 | 12 | 27 | 36 | 24 | 26 | 16 | 30 | 24 | 26 | 24 | 26 |
| Somewhat oppose | 6 | 0 | 9 | 8 | 2 | 10 | 7 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 7 |
| Strongly oppose | 5 | 0 | 4 | 11 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 3 | 8 | 5 | 6 |
| Don't know | 5 | 3 | 8 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| SUPPORT (TOTAL) | 85 | 96 | 80 | 79 | 92 | 77 | 80 | 88 | 86 | 83 | 86 | 84 |
| OPPOSE (TOTAL) | 11 | 0 | 13 | 19 | 4 | 18 | 15 | 8 | 9 | 14 | 11 | 13 |
| SUPPORT (NET) | +74 | +96 | +67 | +60 | +88 | +59 | +65 | +80 | +77 | +69 | +75 | +71 |
| Weighted N | 286 | 92 | 105 | 89 | 154 | 132 | 103 | 183 | 183 | 103 | 250 | 134 |

[16] Due to a lack of funding, Social Security and Medicare may be unable to pay full benefits to future generations starting as early as 2034. In order to protect Social Security and Medicare for future generations, lawmakers are considering a number of proposals to reform the program.

Currently, American workers pay payroll taxes that go towards Social Security only on the first \$160,000 of their income.

Please indicate if you would support or oppose each of the following proposals.

— **[Split 1B]** Improving the security of Medicare's finances by modestly increasing the Medicare tax on the wealthiest Americans from 3.8% to 5%.

(N=262)

| Response | Topline | Democrat | Independent / Third party | Republican | Female | Male | Under 45 | 45+ | No College | College | White | Partisan Switchers |
|------------------|---------|----------|---------------------------|------------|--------|------|----------|-----|------------|---------|-------|--------------------|
| Strongly support | 51 | 79 | 40 | 37 | 54 | 48 | 48 | 53 | 47 | 58 | 51 | 49 |
| Somewhat support | 22 | 12 | 22 | 31 | 24 | 19 | 16 | 24 | 24 | 18 | 23 | 28 |
| Somewhat oppose | 9 | 1 | 10 | 16 | 10 | 8 | 16 | 6 | 8 | 11 | 10 | 11 |
| Strongly oppose | 7 | 2 | 11 | 7 | 2 | 13 | 5 | 8 | 6 | 8 | 5 | 7 |
| Don't know | 11 | 6 | 17 | 9 | 11 | 11 | 15 | 9 | 15 | 5 | 11 | 5 |
| SUPPORT (TOTAL) | 73 | 91 | 62 | 68 | 78 | 67 | 64 | 77 | 71 | 76 | 74 | 77 |
| OPPOSE (TOTAL) | 16 | 3 | 21 | 23 | 12 | 21 | 21 | 14 | 14 | 19 | 15 | 18 |
| SUPPORT (NET) | +57 | +88 | +41 | +45 | +66 | +46 | +43 | +63 | +57 | +57 | +59 | +59 |
| Weighted N | 262 | 81 | 104 | 76 | 141 | 121 | 87 | 175 | 168 | 94 | 229 | 110 |

[17] Due to a lack of funding, Social Security and Medicare may be unable to pay full benefits to future generations starting as early as 2034. In order to protect Social Security and Medicare for future generations, lawmakers are considering a number of proposals to reform the program.

Currently, American workers pay payroll taxes that go towards Social Security only on the first \$160,000 of their income.

Please indicate if you would support or oppose each of the following proposals.

— **[Split 2A]** Raising taxes on individuals who earn over \$400,000 a year and rich corporations to strengthen social security.

(N=286)

| Response | Topline | Democrat | Independent / Third party | Republican | Female | Male | Under 45 | 45+ | No College | College | White | Partisan Switchers |
|------------------|---------|----------|---------------------------|------------|--------|------|----------|-----|------------|---------|-------|--------------------|
| Strongly support | 61 | 80 | 61 | 42 | 66 | 55 | 59 | 62 | 59 | 64 | 62 | 60 |
| Somewhat support | 25 | 20 | 24 | 31 | 24 | 25 | 27 | 24 | 28 | 19 | 24 | 26 |
| Somewhat oppose | 6 | 0 | 7 | 10 | 4 | 8 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 4 | 6 | 6 |
| Strongly oppose | 6 | 0 | 5 | 13 | 2 | 11 | 9 | 4 | 4 | 10 | 6 | 7 |
| Don't know | 2 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 |
| SUPPORT (TOTAL) | 86 | 100 | 85 | 73 | 90 | 80 | 86 | 86 | 87 | 83 | 86 | 86 |
| OPPOSE (TOTAL) | 12 | 0 | 12 | 23 | 6 | 19 | 14 | 10 | 11 | 14 | 12 | 13 |
| SUPPORT (NET) | +74 | +100 | +73 | +50 | +84 | +61 | +72 | +76 | +76 | +69 | +74 | +73 |
| Weighted N | 286 | 92 | 105 | 89 | 154 | 132 | 103 | 183 | 183 | 103 | 250 | 134 |

[18] Due to a lack of funding, Social Security and Medicare may be unable to pay full benefits to future generations starting as early as 2034. In order to protect Social Security and Medicare for future generations, lawmakers are considering a number of proposals to reform the program.

Currently, American workers pay payroll taxes that go towards Social Security only on the first \$160,000 of their income.

Please indicate if you would support or oppose each of the following proposals.

— **[Split 2B]** Raising taxes on the wealthiest individuals and rich corporations to strengthen social security.

(N=262)

| Response | Topline | Democrat | Independent / Third party | Repub- lican | Female | Male | Under 45 | 45+ | No College | College | White | Partisan Switchers |
|------------------|---------|----------|---------------------------|-----------------|--------|------|-------------|-----|---------------|---------|-------|-----------------------|
| Strongly support | 58 | 82 | 54 | 40 | 62 | 55 | 58 | 59 | 61 | 54 | 60 | 55 |
| Somewhat support | 18 | 6 | 21 | 26 | 21 | 15 | 10 | 22 | 16 | 22 | 20 | 26 |
| Somewhat oppose | 9 | 5 | 10 | 12 | 4 | 14 | 15 | 6 | 9 | 9 | 8 | 6 |
| Strongly oppose | 7 | 1 | 7 | 15 | 5 | 10 | 12 | 5 | 6 | 10 | 7 | 10 |
| Don't know | 7 | 6 | 7 | 7 | 8 | 5 | 5 | 8 | 8 | 4 | 6 | 3 |
| SUPPORT (TOTAL) | 76 | 88 | 75 | 66 | 83 | 70 | 68 | 81 | 77 | 76 | 80 | 81 |
| OPPOSE (TOTAL) | 16 | 6 | 17 | 27 | 9 | 24 | 27 | 11 | 15 | 19 | 15 | 16 |
| SUPPORT (NET) | +60 | +82 | +58 | +39 | +74 | +46 | +41 | +70 | +62 | +57 | +65 | +65 |
| Weighted N | 262 | 81 | 104 | 76 | 141 | 121 | 87 | 175 | 168 | 94 | 229 | 110 |

[19] Some members of Congress are proposing new changes to expand Social Security while protecting benefits against rising inflation, ensuring that no one who has worked and paid into the system their entire lives will retire into poverty.

Please indicate if you would support or oppose each of the following proposals.

— Increasing Social Security benefits by \$200 a month for all beneficiaries.

| Response | Topline | Democrat | Independent / Third party | Repub- lican | Female | Male | Under 45 | 45+ | No College | College | White | Partisan Switchers |
|------------------|---------|----------|---------------------------|-----------------|--------|------|-------------|-----|---------------|---------|-------|-----------------------|
| Strongly support | 42 | 46 | 39 | 42 | 43 | 40 | 46 | 40 | 47 | 33 | 42 | 34 |
| Somewhat support | 26 | 27 | 27 | 24 | 28 | 24 | 24 | 28 | 27 | 25 | 26 | 26 |
| Somewhat oppose | 13 | 12 | 14 | 14 | 13 | 14 | 11 | 15 | 11 | 18 | 14 | 17 |
| Strongly oppose | 7 | 2 | 7 | 12 | 5 | 9 | 9 | 6 | 4 | 12 | 7 | 10 |
| Don't know | 11 | 12 | 13 | 9 | 11 | 11 | 10 | 12 | 11 | 12 | 10 | 14 |
| SUPPORT (TOTAL) | 68 | 73 | 66 | 66 | 71 | 64 | 70 | 68 | 74 | 58 | 68 | 60 |
| OPPOSE (TOTAL) | 20 | 14 | 21 | 26 | 18 | 23 | 20 | 21 | 15 | 30 | 21 | 27 |
| SUPPORT (NET) | +48 | +59 | +45 | +40 | +53 | +41 | +50 | +47 | +59 | +28 | +47 | +33 |
| Weighted N | 548 | 173 | 210 | 165 | 294 | 254 | 189 | 359 | 351 | 197 | 479 | 244 |

[20] Some members of Congress are proposing new changes to expand Social Security while protecting benefits against rising inflation, ensuring that no one who has worked and paid into the system their entire lives will retire into poverty.

Please indicate if you would support or oppose each of the following proposals.

— Giving people credit towards their future Social Security benefits for years they spend out of the workforce providing care for children, aging parents, and other loved ones.

| Response | Topline | Democrat | Independent / Third party | Republican | Female | Male | Under 45 | 45+ | No College | College | White | Partisan Switchers |
|------------------|---------|----------|---------------------------|------------|--------|------|----------|-----|------------|---------|-------|--------------------|
| Strongly support | 34 | 46 | 32 | 24 | 38 | 29 | 49 | 26 | 39 | 25 | 35 | 29 |
| Somewhat support | 32 | 35 | 27 | 36 | 34 | 29 | 21 | 38 | 32 | 33 | 32 | 35 |
| Somewhat oppose | 12 | 6 | 13 | 16 | 8 | 16 | 10 | 13 | 9 | 17 | 13 | 12 |
| Strongly oppose | 9 | 7 | 10 | 10 | 9 | 9 | 7 | 10 | 7 | 13 | 9 | 12 |
| Don't know | 13 | 6 | 18 | 14 | 11 | 16 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| SUPPORT (TOTAL) | 66 | 81 | 59 | 60 | 72 | 58 | 70 | 64 | 71 | 58 | 67 | 64 |
| OPPOSE (TOTAL) | 21 | 13 | 23 | 26 | 17 | 25 | 17 | 23 | 16 | 30 | 22 | 24 |
| SUPPORT (NET) | +45 | +68 | +36 | +34 | +55 | +33 | +53 | +41 | +55 | +28 | +45 | +40 |
| Weighted N | 548 | 173 | 210 | 165 | 294 | 254 | 189 | 359 | 351 | 197 | 479 | 244 |

[21] Some members of Congress are proposing new changes to expand Social Security while protecting benefits against rising inflation, ensuring that no one who has worked and paid into the system their entire lives will retire into poverty.

Please indicate if you would support or oppose each of the following proposals.

— Making Social Security's annual cost of living adjustments more generous.

| Response | Topline | Democrat | Independent / Third party | Republican | Female | Male | Under 45 | 45+ | No College | College | White | Partisan Switchers |
|------------------|---------|----------|---------------------------|------------|--------|------|----------|-----|------------|---------|-------|--------------------|
| Strongly support | 49 | 52 | 49 | 46 | 54 | 44 | 54 | 46 | 56 | 37 | 47 | 38 |
| Somewhat support | 27 | 30 | 25 | 26 | 29 | 25 | 17 | 33 | 28 | 25 | 29 | 35 |
| Somewhat oppose | 11 | 11 | 9 | 12 | 8 | 14 | 12 | 10 | 6 | 18 | 11 | 13 |
| Strongly oppose | 4 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 2 | 6 | 6 | 3 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 6 |
| Don't know | 9 | 6 | 11 | 10 | 8 | 11 | 10 | 8 | 8 | 11 | 9 | 8 |
| SUPPORT (TOTAL) | 76 | 82 | 74 | 72 | 83 | 69 | 71 | 79 | 84 | 62 | 76 | 73 |
| OPPOSE (TOTAL) | 15 | 12 | 14 | 18 | 10 | 20 | 18 | 13 | 8 | 26 | 15 | 19 |
| SUPPORT (NET) | +61 | +70 | +60 | +54 | +73 | +49 | +53 | +66 | +76 | +36 | +61 | +54 |
| Weighted N | 548 | 173 | 210 | 165 | 294 | 254 | 189 | 359 | 351 | 197 | 479 | 244 |

[22] Please indicate which party you trust more of the following.

— Protecting Social Security

| Response | Topline | Democrat | Independent / Third party | Republican | Female | Male | Under 45 | 45+ | No College | College | White | Partisan Switchers |
|----------------------|---------|----------|---------------------------|------------|--------|------|----------|-----|------------|---------|-------|--------------------|
| The Democratic Party | 47 | 95 | 41 | 5 | 48 | 46 | 51 | 45 | 41 | 57 | 45 | 49 |
| The Republican Party | 36 | 4 | 27 | 82 | 34 | 39 | 33 | 38 | 39 | 31 | 39 | 35 |
| Not sure | 17 | 2 | 32 | 13 | 18 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 20 | 12 | 16 | 16 |
| Weighted N | 548 | 173 | 210 | 165 | 294 | 254 | 189 | 359 | 351 | 197 | 479 | 244 |

[23] Please indicate which party you trust more of the following.

— Protecting Medicare

| Response | Topline | Democrat | Independent / Third party | Republican | Female | Male | Under 45 | 45+ | No College | College | White | Partisan Switchers |
|----------------------|---------|----------|---------------------------|------------|--------|------|----------|-----|------------|---------|-------|--------------------|
| The Democratic Party | 48 | 95 | 43 | 5 | 48 | 48 | 54 | 45 | 42 | 59 | 46 | 48 |
| The Republican Party | 36 | 3 | 25 | 85 | 35 | 38 | 31 | 39 | 39 | 32 | 39 | 36 |
| Not sure | 16 | 1 | 31 | 10 | 17 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 19 | 9 | 15 | 15 |
| Weighted N | 548 | 173 | 210 | 165 | 294 | 254 | 189 | 359 | 351 | 197 | 479 | 244 |

[24] Please indicate which party you trust more of the following.

— Protecting Medicaid

| Response | Topline | Democrat | Independent / Third party | Republican | Female | Male | Under 45 | 45+ | No College | College | White | Partisan Switchers |
|----------------------|---------|----------|---------------------------|------------|--------|------|----------|-----|------------|---------|-------|--------------------|
| The Democratic Party | 52 | 98 | 45 | 13 | 51 | 53 | 61 | 47 | 47 | 60 | 50 | 54 |
| The Republican Party | 32 | 0 | 23 | 76 | 29 | 34 | 24 | 36 | 33 | 29 | 34 | 30 |
| Not sure | 16 | 2 | 32 | 11 | 19 | 13 | 15 | 17 | 20 | 11 | 16 | 16 |
| Weighted N | 548 | 173 | 210 | 165 | 294 | 254 | 189 | 359 | 351 | 197 | 479 | 244 |