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Sample: 1,264 Texas registered voters interviewed in English and Spanish
Interviewing dates: October 15-19, 2022

TEXAS REGISTERED VOTERS ~ TOPLINE RESULTS

1.   What is your current age? **[ENTER NUMBER] [TERMINATE IF AGE <18]**

18 – 29	14%
30 – 44	24
45 – 54	19
55 – 64	19
65+	23

2.   Are you registered to vote in Texas?

Yes	100%
No **[TERMINATE]**	-
(Not sure / Refused) **[TERMINATE]**	-

3.   There will be elections in November for Governor, Congress and other offices. Will you definitely vote in the November elections; probably vote; are the chances 50-50; or will you probably not vote in this election?

Definitely vote	89%
Probably vote	8
50-50	3
Probably not vote **[TERMINATE]**	-
(Not sure / Refused) **[TERMINATE]**	-

4.   There are elections every year and people often plan to vote but can't, due to personal and professional circumstances. Thinking back over the past two or three years, would you say that you voted in all elections, almost all, about half, one or two, or none at all?

All	43%
Almost all	32
About half	9
One or two	8
None	5
(Not sure / Refused)	2

Please note: Due to rounding, percentages may not add to 100% and "total"
columns may be one point more or less than the sum of their parts.

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5.   On November 8th this year, there will be statewide elections in Texas for governor and other political positions. How motivated are you to vote in the November election?

Extremely motivated	75%
Very motivated	14
Somewhat motivated	8
Not very motivated	2
Not at all motivated	1
(Not sure / Refused)	*

6.   Do you think you will probably vote in-person on election day; vote in-person during the early voting period; send in your ballot by mail; or are you not sure which method you will use?

Vote in-person on election day	37%
Vote in-person early	48
Send in ballot by mail	7
(Not sure / Refused)	8

7.   If the election for governor were held today, would you vote for: **[IF NOT SURE:** Are you leaning more towards **[ROTATE]** Greg Abbott or Beto O'Rourke? **[RANDOMIZE]**

	Overall	Definite voters	Less likely voters
TOTAL ABBOTT	**48%**	**48%**	**43%**
TOTAL O'ROURKE	**45**	**46**	**34**
Republican Greg Abbott	46%	47%	38%
(Lean Abbott)	1	1	5
Democrat Beto O'Rourke	44	46	31
(Lean O'Rourke)	1	*	3
(Someone else)	1	1	3
(Not sure / Refused)	6	5	20

[SKIP IF SOMEONE ELSE / NOT SURE]
8.   What best describes your support of **[**Greg Abbott / Beto O'Rourke**]**?

	Overall	Abbott voters	O'Rourke voters
I support him strongly	63%	64%	63%
I support him, but have some reservations	21	23	19
I only support him because I really don't like **[**Beto O'Rourke / Greg Abbott**]**	15	12	17
(Not sure / Refused)	1	1	2

9. Which one of the following issues facing Texas is most important to you? **[RANDOMIZE]**

Immigration and border security	22%
Economy, jobs and inflation	20
Political corruption and attacks on our democracy	17
Abortion laws	17
Gun laws and school safety	13
Public education	8
(Not sure / Refused)	3

10. And which is the second most important to you? **[RANDOMIZE. DO NOT SHOW FIRST CHOICE]**

Immigration and border security	16%
Economy, jobs and inflation	20
Political corruption and attacks on our democracy	16
Abortion laws	15
Gun laws and school safety	21
Public education	10
(Not sure / Refused)	1

Changing topics…

11. Do you think Texas gun laws are: **[ROTATE 1 AND 3]**

Too strict	8%
About right	41
Not strict enough	47
(Not sure / Refused)	4

12. How confident are you that Texas's current gun laws can keep guns out of the hands of dangerous individuals?

TOTAL CONFIDENT	**36%**
TOTAL NOT CONFIDENT	**59**
Very confident	16%
Somewhat	20
Not very	18
Not at all	41
(Not sure / Refused)	5

13. Do you think Texas abortion laws are: **[ROTATE 1 AND 3]**

Too strict	55%
About right	25
Not strict enough	13
(Not sure / Refused)	8

Do you approve or disapprove of the job Governor Abbott is doing on each of the following? **[IF APPROVE/DISAPPROVE:** Is that strongly (approve/disapprove), or only somewhat?**] [RANDOMIZE]**

		-------Approve-------			-------Disapprove-------			(Not sure / Ref.)
		TOTAL	Strongly	Some-what	**TOTAL**	Some-what	Strongly	
14.	The situation at the Mexican border	**50%**	36	15	**45**	10	34	5
15.	Abortion laws	**41%**	26	16	**54**	8	46	5
16.	Gun laws	**50%**	34	16	**45**	8	37	4

Please tell me whether you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with the following statements. **[ROTATE]**

	-------Agree-------			-------Disagree-------			(Not sure / Ref.)
	TOTAL	Strongly	Some-what	**TOTAL**	Some-what	Strongly	
17. The tragedy in Uvalde should be a wakeup call for Texas to put some commonsense gun laws in place to keep guns out of the hands of dangerous people.	**69%**	55	13	**27**	8	19	4
18. Now that the U.S. Supreme Court has overturned Roe v. Wade, it is important that state leaders do more to protect reproductive and abortion rights for women in Texas.	**65%**	53	12	**29**	10	19	6

These final questions are for statistical purposes only.

19.   In the 2020 presidential election, did you vote for: **[ROTATE NAMES]**

Democrat Joe Biden	40%
Republican Donald Trump	46
Someone else	4
Or did things come up to keep you from voting?	4
(Not sure / Refused)	6

20.   To the best of your recollection, when did you most recently register to vote in Texas?

Since July 1, 2022	6%
Between January 1, 2022 and July 1st	7
In 2021	6
In 2020	6
In 2019	3
In 2018	3
Before 2018	55
(Not sure / Refused)	13

21.   What is the highest level of formal education you have completed?

Some high school, no degree	2%
High school graduate/GED/High school equivalency	16
Vocational, technical school	5
Some college, no degree	24
2-year degree/Community college degree	10
4-year degree/Traditional college degree	27
Graduate degree	14
Other	*
(Not sure / Refused)	1

22.   Generally speaking, do you consider yourself a…

Democrat	28%
Republican	37
Independent	30
(Not sure / Refused)	5

[IF INDEPENDENT OR NOT SURE]

23.   The last time you voted, did you vote for:

        A Democrat(s)   24%
        A Republican(s)   24
        A mix of Democrats and Republicans   43
        (Not sure / Refused)   8

24.   Are you of Latino or Hispanic descent?

        Yes   21%
        No   76
        (Not sure / Refused)   3

25.   What is your racial or ethnic heritage? **[SELECT ALL THAT APPLY]**

        White   64%
        African-American, Black   13
        Asian   3
        Latino, Hispanic   18
        Other   5
        (Not sure / Refused)   4

26.   How would you describe the area where you live?

        Urban   25%
        Suburban   40
        Small town   19
        Rural   13
        (Not sure / Refused)   2

27.   Do you live in…

        The Houston metro area   19%
        The Dallas-Fort Worth metro area   28
        The San Antonio metro area   9
        The Austin metro area   9
        On the border   5
        Another part of Texas   29
        (Not sure / Refused)   2

28.   Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as:

TOTAL PROGRESSIVE	**30%**
TOTAL CONSERVATIVE	**40**
Very progressive	14%
Somewhat progressive	16
Moderate	26
Somewhat conservative	20
Very conservative	20
(Not sure / Refused)	4

29.   Does anyone in your household own a gun?

Yes	57%
No	32
(Not sure / Refused)	11

30.   What is your gender? **[OBSERVATION ONLY ON PHONE]**

Female	54%
Male	46
Self-describe	*