

Survey Results: Registered Voters October 2020

Arizona, Colorado, Florida, Michigan, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin

October 8-13, 2020 · N=7,287



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Survey Methodology



Civiqs polled 7,287 registered voters in Arizona, Colorado, Florida, Michigan, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, and Wisconsin from October 8-13, 2020.

The survey was conducted online, among selected members of the Civiqs research panel. Survey results are weighted by age, race, gender, education, and party identification within each state.

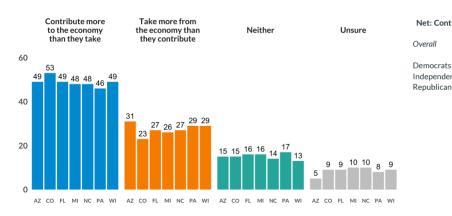
State	Sample size	Design effect	Margin of error
Arizona	1,026	1.42	±3.6%
Colorado	1,164	1.29	$\pm 3.3\%$
Florida	1,011	1.16	$\pm 3.3\%$
Michigan	1,022	1.40	$\pm 3.6\%$
North Carolina	1,000	1.34	$\pm 3.6\%$
Pennsylvania	1,018	1.10	$\pm 3.2\%$
Wisconsin	1,046	1.24	$\pm 3.4\%$

Immigrants Seen as Contributors

Immigrants seen as contributors to the U.S. economy



Overall, do you think that immigrants to the United States:



Net: Contribute more

Overall +22%

+79%

Independents +24% Republicans -44%

Immigrants work hard and fill needed jobs



Net: Work hard

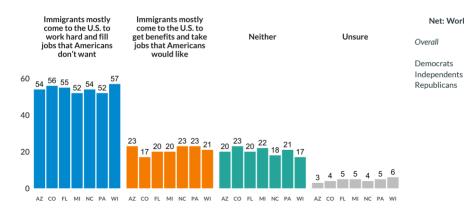
+33%

+83%

+35%

-24%

Which comes closest to your opinion about immigrants to the United States?



Immigrants improve their local community



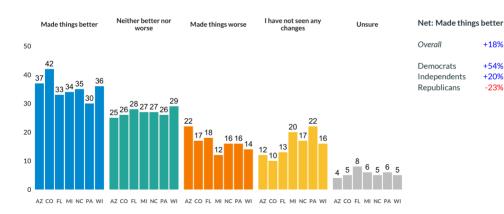
+18%

+54%

+20%

-23%

Do you think that immigrants in your local community have made things around you better or worse?

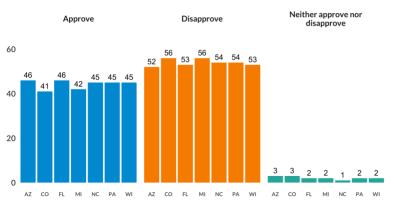


President Trump: Job Approval

President Trump's job approval rating is net negative



Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as president?

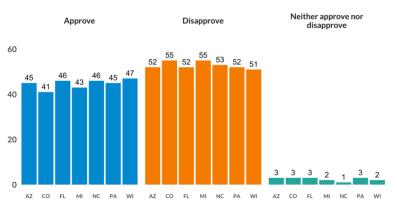


Net: Approve		
Overall	-10%	
Sept. 2020	-10%	
Democrats	-91%	
Independents	-12%	
Republicans	+83%	

Most disapprove of Trump's approach to immigration



Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling the issue of immigration?

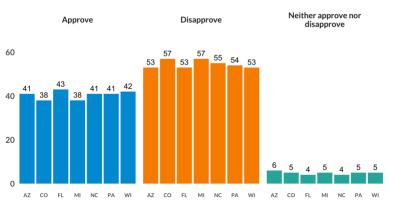


Net: Approve		
Overall	-8%	
Sept. 2020	-11%	
Democrats	-89%	
Independents	-11%	
Republicans	+83%	

Trump's pandemic response is viewed poorly



Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling the coronavirus?

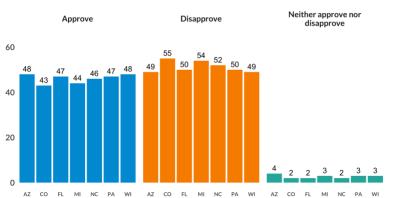


Net: Approve		
Overall	-13%	
Sept. 2020	-14%	
Democrats	-92%	
Independents	-17%	
Republicans	+75%	

More voters approve of Trump on the economy



Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling the economy?



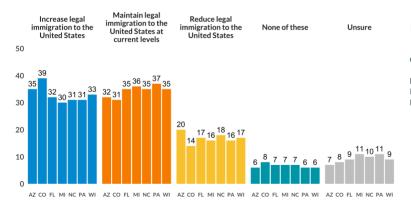
Net: Approve		
Overall	-5%	
Sept. 2020	-4%	
Democrats	-87%	
Independents	-6%	
Republicans	+86%	

Legal Immigration and Citizenship

Maintain or expand legal immigration to the U.S.



Which of these comes closest to what you want:



Net: Increase or Maintain current levels of legal immigration

Overall +51%

Democrats +76% Independents +51%

Republicans +21%

Make legal immigration easier to the U.S.



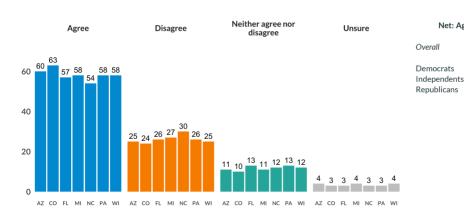
Net: Agree

+32% +77%

+34%

-20%

Do you agree or disagree with this statement: "We should make it easier for people to immigrate to the U.S. legally so that they will not try to come to this country without documentation."



Sustained support for the DACA program



Net: Support

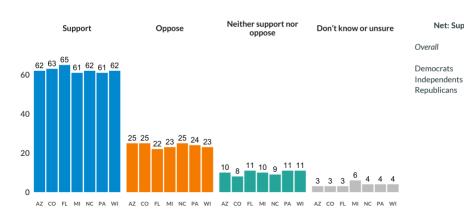
+40%

+90%

+41%

-18%

Do you support or oppose the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, also known as "DACA"? The program allows undocumented immigrants who were brought to the United States as children to receive a renewable two-vear deferral from deportation and authorization to work in the U.S.

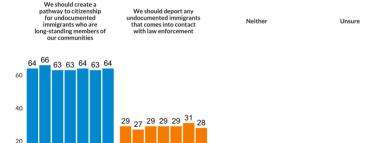


Citizenship for long-standing community members



Which statement do you agree with more:

AZ CO FL MI NC PA WI



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Net: Pathway to citizenship

Overall +34%

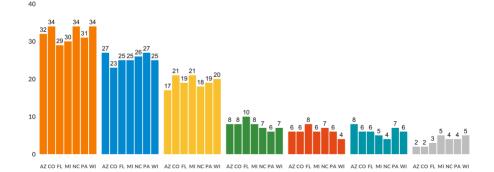
Democrats +89% Independents +38% Republicans -28%

Citizenship prioritized over deportation



When you think about addressing the issue of immigration, which of these policies would be your top priority?

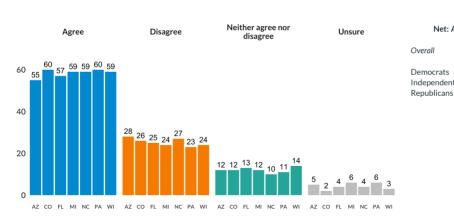
Increase green Create a path to Deport those living cards for family Protect refugees or Increase visas for citizenship for in the U.S. without people seeking Something else high-skilled members of U.S. Unsure undocumented documentation asylum workers citizens and legal immigrants nermanent residents



Path to citizenship for essential pandemic workers



Do you agree or disagree with this statement: "As part of an economic recovery bill, undocumented immigrant workers who have been essential to the pandemic response should be provided a path to legal status and citizenship."



Net: Agree

Overall +33%

Democrats +35%
Independents +84%

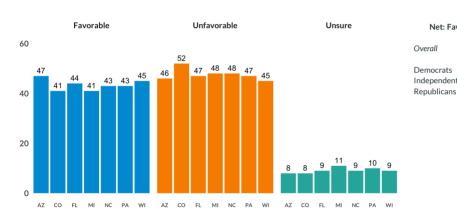
-23%

Immigration Enforcement and ICE

Opinions towards ICE are deeply polarized



Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the US Immigration and Customs Enforcement agency, also known as ICE?



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mocrats	-80%
ependents	-6%

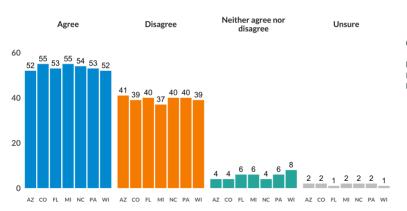
+80%

Net: Favorable

People want a more humane immigration system



Do you agree or disagree with this statement: "Immigration enforcement has become too cruel and extreme. We should have a system that is more fair and humane."



Overall +14%
Democrats +89%

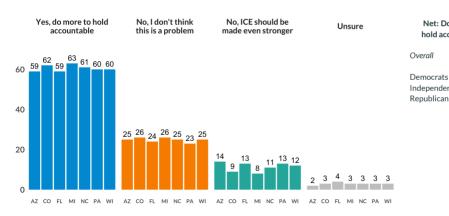
Net: Agree

Independents +17%
Republicans -70%

More accountability for ICE personnel



Do you think that the U.S. government needs to do more to ensure that Immigration and Customs (ICE) Enforcement personnel abide by professional standards and are held accountable for inhumane treatment?



Net: Do more to hold accountable

Overall +24%

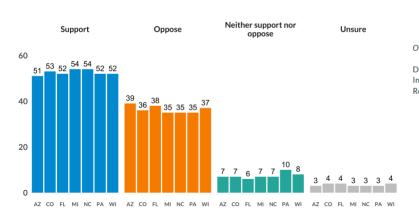
+89%

Independents +27% Republicans -52%

Pause deportation and review enforcement policy



Do you support or oppose a pause on deportations so the Department of Homeland Security can review and reset enforcement policies to ensure we have a fair and humane immigration system?



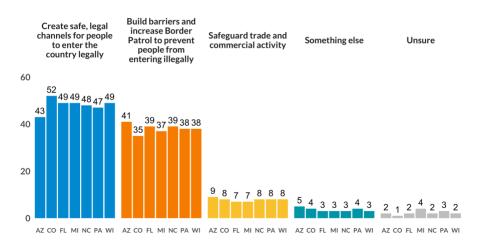
Overall	+16%
Democrats	+76%
Independents	+17%
Republicans	-50%

Net: Support

Top priority: Safe and legal immigration channels



What do you think should be the top priority for U.S. border security policy?



Opposition to jailing families seeking asylum



Net: Support

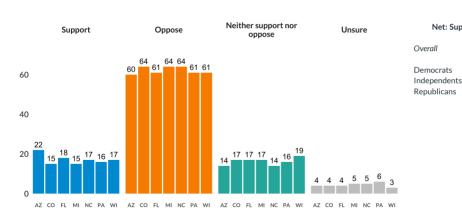
-45%

-91%

-46%

+4%

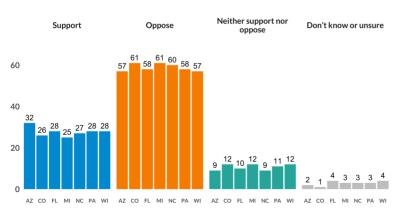
Do you support or oppose jailing families, including young children, who have committed no crimes and are seeking asylum?



Opposition to family detention and separation



As you may know, U.S. immigration officials have been detaining and separating parents and children who cross the U.S.-Mexico border illegally. Do you support or oppose this policy?



Overall -31%

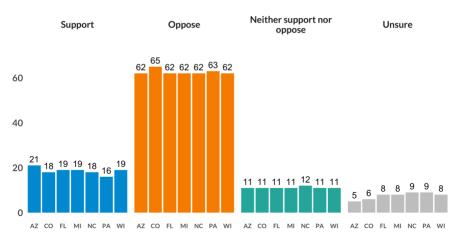
Democrats -92%
Independents -33%
Republicans +37%

Net: Support

Opposition to detention in for-profit prisons



Do you support or oppose the U.S. government paying for-profit prison corporations to detain immigrants? (From September 2020 survey)

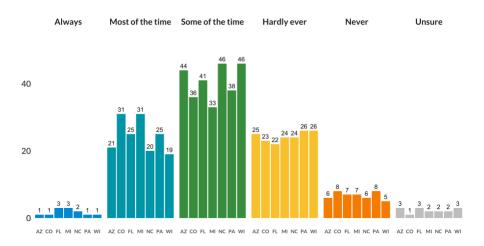


Governance and Statehood

Moderate satisfaction with government responsiveness



How often do you think your state and local leaders are doing what's best for you and your family?



All agree that gerrymandering is a problem



is a problem

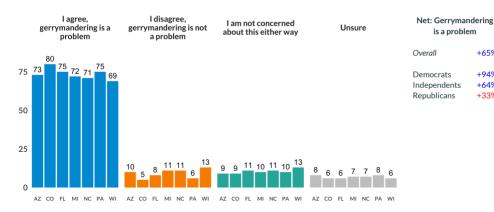
+65%

+94%

+64%

+33%

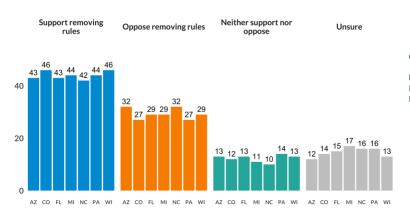
Some people say that the way congressional districts are drawn produces unfair election results. They argue that districts deliberately group together some people, and divide others, often based on their race or political affiliation; a system known as "gerrymandering." What is your opinion about this?



Support for eliminating senate filibuster rules



Do you support or oppose removing rules in the U.S. Senate that enable a minority of Senators to block legislation that has broad public support?



filibuster rules

Overall +15%

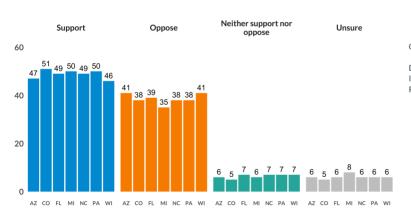
Net: Remove

Democrats +46% Independents +16% Republicans -21%

Statehood for Washington, DC



Do you support or oppose extending statehood to residents of Washington, DC so that they have full representation in Congress?



Overall +11%

Democrats +80%

Independents +9%
Republicans -65%

Net: Support

Statehood for Puerto Rico



Net:

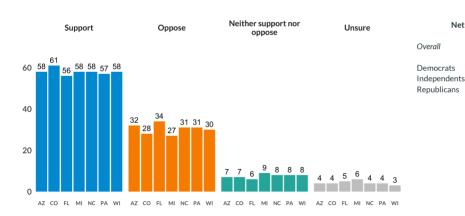
+26%

+83%

+31%

-42%

Do you support or oppose extending statehood to residents of the U.S. territory of Puerto Rico so that they have full representation in Congress?



State Highlights

Impact of immigration on local communities



- All seven states see immigrants as contributors, by nearly 2-to-1.
- Voters in Colorado are the most positive about the impact of immigration in their community.
- The impact of immigration on their local communities is seen by the fewest voters in Pennsylvania and Michigan.

Legal immigration and immigration enforcement



- Attitudes towards immigration enforcement are very consistent across the seven battleground states.
- Voters in Arizona and Colorado are most interested in increasing *legal* immigration to the U.S.—and making it easier to immigrate.
- Support for pathways to immigration is especially high in Colorado, North Carolina, and Wisconsin.