TEXAS GOP PRIMARY STATEWIDE SURVEY

Interview Schedule



May 27-28, 2025 Project #: 25021 N=600 Republican Primary Voters Margin of Error: +4.0%

- D4A. And, in politics today, do you consider yourself ...
 - a Republican,
 - a Democrat,

or something else?

- 62% STRONG REPUBLICAN
- 11% NOT-SO-STRONG REPUBLICAN
- 14% LEAN REPUBLICAN
- 13% UNAFFILIATED/INDEPENDENT/SOMETHING ELSE
- 73% TOTAL GOP
- 27% TOTAL LEAN GOP/IND
- P2. Thinking about past REPUBLICAN primary elections for Governor, U.S. Senate, U.S. Congress, and other state and local offices, do you...
 - 69% Always vote in primary elections

...or...

- 31% Vote most of the time
- 1. Generally speaking, would you say that things in Texas are going in the right direction, or have they pretty seriously gotten off on the wrong track?
 - 73% RIGHT DIRECTION
 - 24% WRONG TRACK
 - 2% DON'T KNOW
 - 1% REFUSED

Next, I would like to read you several names of different people active in politics. For each one, please tell me, first, whether you have heard of the person. If you have, please tell me whether you have a FAVORABLE impression of that person or an UNFAVORABLE impression of that person.

						HEARD		
TOTAL	TOTAL	VERY	SMWT	SMWT	VERY	OF/NO	NEVER	
FAV	UNFAV	FAV	FAV	UNFAV	UNFAV	OPIN	HRD	REF

Ranked by % Very Favorable

2.	Donald Trump		16%	3%	7%	1%	_	-
8.	J.D Vance 86% 10%	72%	15%	4%	6%	3%	1%	*
9.	Marco Rubio 82% 9%	61%	21%	6%	4%	4%	4%	*
4.	Ted Cruz 84% 14%	57%	28%	6%	8%	1%	_	*
3.	Greg Abbott 81% 18%	54%	27%	8%	9%	1%	1%	*
6.	Ken Paxton 65% 22%	34%	31%	8%	13%	8%	5%	*
7.	Wesley Hunt 34% 3%	17%	16%	2%	*	17%	47%	*
5.	John Cornyn 48% 37%	15%	33%	16%	21%	8%	7%	*

Thinking ahead to the 2026 Election...

- 10. Do you believe Greg Abbott has done a good enough job as Governor of Texas to deserve re-election, or is it time for a new Republican to be elected Governor?
 - 64% Re-Elect Abbott
 - 27% New Person
 - 9% Don't Know/Undecided
- 11. Do you believe John Cornyn has done a good enough job as U.S. Senator to deserve re-election, or is it time for a new Republican to be elected U.S. Senator?
 - 27% Re-Elect Cornyn
 - 54% New Person
 - 19% Don't Know/Undecided

As you may know, there will be a Texas Republican Primary Election for the U.S. Senate next year...

- 12. If the 2026 Republican Primary Election for U.S. Senate were being held today, for whom would you vote if the candidates were John Cornyn and Ken Paxton?
 - 17% Definitely Cornyn
 - 11% Probably Cornyn
 - 4% Lean Cornyn
 - 14% Undecided/Don't Know
 - 4% Lean Paxton
 - 16% Probably Paxton
 - 34% Definitely Paxton
 - 1% REFUSED
 - 28% TOTAL CORNYN
 - 50% TOTAL PAXTON
 - 21% TOTAL LEAN/UNDECIDED

13. And, thinking ahead to a Republican Primary campaign, let's assume for a moment you learn the following...

That President Trump endorsed John Cornyn in the race for U.S. Senate...

That, in the past, Cornyn said Trump's "time has passed him by" and suggested Republicans should have had a different presidential nominee in 2024 ...

That, in the past, Cornyn sided with Democrats on a gun control bill...

Then, for whom would you vote if the candidates were John Cornyn and Ken Paxton?

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17%	13%	Definitely Cornyn
11%	8%	Probably Cornyn
4%	3%	Lean Cornyn
14%	10%	Undecided/Don't Know
4%	2%	Lean Paxton
16%	17%	Probably Paxton
34%	46%	Definitely Paxton
1%	1%	REFUSED
28%	21%	TOTAL CORNYN
<i>50%</i>	<i>62%</i>	TOTAL PAXTON
21%	16%	TOTAL LEAN/UNDECIDED

Now, turning to issues...

14. Do you think K-12 public schools in the state of Texas are generally headed in the right direction or are they pretty seriously off on the wrong track?

25% Right Direction

57% Wrong Track

18% Unsure

And, still thinking about K-12 education here in Texas, do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each of the following statements...

TOTAL	TOTAL	STRG	SMWT	SMWT	STRG	DK/	
AGREE	DISAGREE	AGREE	AGREE	DISAGREE	DISAGREE	UNSURE	REF

Ranked by % Strongly Agree

17. Texas parents, not the government, should be allowed to choose the best education environment for their children.

94% 6% 79% 14% 4% 2% 1% -

15. Texas parents should be able to have a choice in where and how their children are educated.

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94% 5% 77% 17% 3% 2% * -

16. Texas parents should be able to have a choice in where and how their children are educated, even if it's not a choice I would make for my own child. **(B)**

93% 5% 76% 17% 2% 3% 2% *

Moving on and thinking about charter schools...

18. As you may know, charter schools are schools which receive public funding but operate independently of the established public school system it is located in, and are public schools of choice, meaning that families choose them for their children.

Generally speaking, do you support or oppose giving Texas parents a choice in where they send their kids to school, by expanding charter schools here in the state?

- 55% Strongly Support
- 24% Somewhat Support
- 7% Somewhat Oppose
- 9% Strongly Oppose
- 6% Don't Know/Unsure
- 79% TOTAL SUPPORT
- 15% TOTAL OPPOSE
- 19. And, would you be more likely or less likely to vote for a Republican candidate for office who supports school choice and expanding the number of charter schools here in Texas, or would it make no difference in your vote?
 - 37% Much more likely
 - 20% Somewhat more likely
 - 4% Somewhat less likely
 - 9% Much less likely
 - 24% No difference
 - 6% Don't know/Unsure
 - 57% TOTAL MORE LIKELY
 - 13% TOTAL LESS LIKELY

Moving on to a different topic...

- 20. How much have you seen, read, or heard recently about Education Savings Accounts or ESAs?
 - 9% A Lot
 - 28% Some
 - 34% Not Much
 - 28% Nothing At All
 - 38% TOTAL A LOT/SOME
 - 62% TOTAL NOT MUCH/NOTHING
- 21. Earlier this year, Texas enacted Education Savings Accounts, or ESAs, to create more education opportunities and choice for Texas families. This program provides approximately \$10,000 per year for parents who opt out of K-12 public schools and choose to use that money instead for private school tuition, online education programs, tutoring, textbooks or other instructional materials, and therapies for students with special needs.

Do you support or oppose Education Savings Accounts (ESAs) in Texas?

- 40% Strongly Support
- 29% Somewhat Support
- 8% Somewhat Oppose
- 15% Strongly Oppose
- 9% Don't Know/Unsure
- 69% TOTAL SUPPORT
- 22% TOTAL OPPOSE

- 22. And, would you be more likely or less likely to vote for a Republican candidate for office who supports Education Savings Accounts (ESAs) here in Texas, or would it make no difference in your vote?
 - 27% Much more likely
 - 20% Somewhat more likely
 - 5% Somewhat less likely
 - 11% Much less likely
 - 31% No difference
 - 7% Don't know/Unsure
 - 46% TOTAL MORE LIKELY
 - 16% TOTAL LESS LIKELY
- 23. As you may know, the Education Savings Account program is currently capped at 100,000 students, which is approximately 2% of the school-aged population in Texas.

Would you support or oppose expanding funding for this school choice program to cover all families who apply?

- 35% Strongly Support
- 27% Somewhat Support
- 10% Somewhat Oppose
- 17% Strongly Oppose
- 12% Don't Know/Unsure
- 62% TOTAL SUPPORT
- 27% TOTAL OPPOSE

Next, please indicate whether you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose each of the following...

TOTAL TOTAL STRG SMWT SMWT STRG DK/
SUP- OPP- SUP- OPP- OPP- UN- (DNR)
PORT OSE PORT PORT OSE OSE SURE REF

Ranked by % Strongly Support

26. Banning biological boys from participating in girls' sports in Texas public schools to protect girls' sports.

95% 4% 93% 2% * 3% 1% -

24. Removing books that contain explicit sexual depictions of sex acts from Texas public elementary school libraries.

92% 7% 86% 6% 3% 4% 1% -

25. Stopping the promotion of gender ideology teachings, including the concept that there are more than two genders, to elementary school children in Texas public schools.

86% 12% 84% 2% 2% 10% 1%

Now, just a few questions for statistical purposes only...

D1. In what year were you born?

2% 18 - 24

5% 25 - 34

10% 35 - 44

13% 45 - 54

23% 55 - 64

47% 65 AND ABOVE

* REFUSED

D2B. Gender.

49% MALE

51% FEMALE

D6A. What is your main racial or ethnic heritage?

84% CAUCASIAN OR WHITE

2% AFRICAN AMERICAN OR BLACK

12% HISPANIC OR LATINO

* ASIAN OR PACIFIC ISLANDER

1% AMERICAN INDIAN OR ALASKAN NATIVE

* OTHER/MIXED RACE

DON'T KNOW

1% REFUSED

D3A. And, what is the last grade you completed in school?

- * SOME GRADE SCHOOL (GRADES 1-8)
- 1% SOME HIGH SCHOOL (GRADES 9-11)
- 17% GRADUATED HIGH SCHOOL (GRADE 12)
- 9% TECHNICAL/VOCATIONAL SCHOOL
- 35% SOME COLLEGE
- 25% GRADUATED COLLEGE (E.G. BACHELOR OF ARTS, BACHELOR OF SCIENCE)
- 13% GRADUATE/PROFESSIONAL SCHOOL (E.G. PHD, MD, JD)
- REFUSED
- 18% TOTAL HS OR LESS
- 44% TOTAL SOME COLLEGE
- 38% TOTAL COLLEGE+

D5A. In politics today, do you consider yourself to be...

55% VERY CONSERVATIVE

29% SOMEWHAT CONSERVATIVE

13% MODERATE

2% SOMEWHAT LIBERAL

* VERY LIBERAL

DON'T KNOW

1% REFUSED

84% TOTAL CONSERVATIVE

15% TOTAL MODERATE/LIBERAL

D16A. Do you have any children 18 years of age or younger currently living in your household?

22% Yes

77% No

Don't know

* Refused

D12A. On the issue of abortion, do you consider yourself to be...

- 60% Strongly pro-life
- 16% Somewhat pro-life
- 12% Somewhat pro-choice
- 11% Strongly pro-choice
- 1% Don't know/neither
- * Refused
- 76% TOTAL PRO-LIFE
- 23% TOTAL PRO-CHOICE

D11A. And how often would you say that you attend religious services, either in person or online...

- 16% More than once a week
- 29% Weekly
- 9% Almost every week
- 12% Once or twice a month
- 18% A few times a year
- 15% Never
 - * Don't know/neither
 - * Refused
- 45% TOTAL FREQUENTLY
- 22% TOTAL OCCASIONALLY
- 33% TOTAL RARE/NEVER

D8D. Do you consider yourself to be a supporter of the Make America Great Again (MAGA) Movement?

- 81% Yes
- 15% No
- 4% Don't Know/Unsure