



Affective Partisan Polarization and Support for Democratic Norms in Utah and the United States

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About this Survey

As part of the ongoing efforts of its Civic Thought and Leadership Initiative, Utah Valley University [UVU] administered a survey to a sample of voting age Utahns to assess their level of affective partisan polarization and their support for democratic norms. In addition, the survey was administered nationally to a representative sample of voting age Americans as well for comparison.

For the Utah sample, UVU contracted with YouGov to administer an online survey to a statewide representative sample of 1000 Utahns, aged 18 and up. The survey was administered December 21, 2022 – January 17, 2023. For the national sample, the same online survey was distributed to a national representative sample of 4348 Americans, aged 18 and up, by Lucid LLC. The survey was administered to the national sample November 14, 2022 – November 24, 2022.

Respondents were asked a series of questions designed to assess: 1) their attitudes and feelings about individuals who have political views that are different from their own, and 2) their level of support for commonly acknowledged norms of a democratic society (e.g. the rule of law, belief in the notion of political equality, the value of checks and balances in the political system, and in the value of compromise, etc).

The selection of questions was inspired by research by Kingzette et al (2021) in which they demonstrate that affective partisan polarization can undermine support for democratic norms. The question is whether such polarization is present to the same degree in Utah, and whether its link to support for democratic norms is similar to that found by Kingzette et al.

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Topline Results

We'd like to ask how you feel towards various groups on a scale of 0 to 100, which we call a "Feeling Thermometer." On this feeling thermometer scale, ratings between 0 and 49 degrees mean that you feel unfavorable and cold (with 0 being the most unfavorable/coldest). Ratings between 51 and 100 degrees mean that you feel favorable and warm (with 100 being the most favorable/warmest). A rating of 50 means you have no feelings one way or another.

How would you rate your feelings towards these groups?

Group	Utah Sample					National Sample				
	Mean	Ratings				Mean	Ratings			
		0-33	34-66	67-100	No Resp.		0-33	34-66	67-100	No Resp.
Republican Voters	55.8	24.6	33.1	42.1	.2	51.6	35.1	25.6	39.3	–
Republican Elected Officials	48.5	32.3	34.3	33.2	.2	45.4	41.3	24.8	33.9	–
Democratic Voters	46.7	33.0	40.6	26.2	.2	55.4	27.7	30.2	42.1	–
Democratic Elected Officials	39.3	45.5	31.2	23.3	–	50.1	37.1	23.1	39.8	–

Utah Sample N = 1000. National Sample N = 4348

Cell entries under "Ratings" represent percentage of respondents selecting a value within each value range for each group

Now we'd like to know more about your feelings about ordinary people who support each of the major political parties. For these questions it's important to remember that we are asking you about ordinary people (e.g. voters) and NOT elected officials, candidates, media personalities, etc.

First, we are going to ask you more about what you think about [GROUP]. Below we've given a list of words that some people might use to describe them.

For each item, please indicate how well you think it applies to [GROUP]: *Not at all well, Not too well, Somewhat well, Very well, Extremely well.*

GROUP: Democratic Voters – ITEM: “Patriotic”

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	197	19.7%
Not too well	244	24.4%
Somewhat well	314	31.4%
Very well	174	17.4%
Extremely well	72	7.2%

National Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	561	12.9%
Not too well	744	17.1%
Somewhat well	1467	33.7%
Very well	1046	24.1%
Extremely well	530	12.2%

GROUP: Democratic Voters – ITEM: “Intelligent”

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	102	10.2%
Not too well	187	18.7%
Somewhat well	391	39.1%
Very well	237	23.7%
Extremely well	83	8.3%

National Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	343	7.9%
Not too well	627	14.4%
Somewhat well	1325	30.5%
Very well	1381	31.8%
Extremely well	671	15.4%

GROUP: Democratic Voters – ITEM: “Honest”

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	173	17.3%
Not too well	232	23.2%
Somewhat well	366	36.6%
Very well	169	16.9%
Extremely well	60	6.0%

National Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	547	12.6%
Not too well	683	15.7%
Somewhat well	1335	30.7%
Very well	1130	26.0%
Extremely well	652	15.0%

GROUP: Democratic Voters – ITEM: “Open-Minded”

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	234	23.4%
Not too well	245	24.5%
Somewhat well	243	24.3%
Very well	183	18.3%
Extremely well	94	9.4%

National Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	676	15.6%
Not too well	682	15.7%
Somewhat well	1071	24.6%
Very well	1101	25.3%
Extremely well	818	18.8%

GROUP: Democratic Voters – ITEM: “Generous”

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	128	12.8%
Not too well	243	24.3%
Somewhat well	349	34.9%
Very well	210	21.0%
Extremely well	70	7.0%

National Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	480	11.0%
Not too well	571	13.1%
Somewhat well	1469	33.8%
Very well	1156	26.6%
Extremely well	672	15.4%

GROUP: Democratic Voters – ITEM: “Hypocritical”

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	118	11.8%
Not too well	220	22.0%
Somewhat well	276	27.6%
Very well	195	19.5%
Extremely well	190	19.0%

National Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	617	14.2%
Not too well	1106	25.4%
Somewhat well	1100	25.3%
Very well	807	18.6%
Extremely well	719	16.5%

GROUP: Democratic Voters – ITEM: “Selfish”

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	135	13.5%
Not too well	297	29.7%
Somewhat well	260	26.0%
Very well	167	16.7%
Extremely well	140	14.0%

National Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	805	18.5%
Not too well	1277	29.4%
Somewhat well	1088	25.0%
Very well	594	13.7%
Extremely well	584	13.4%

GROUP: Democratic Voters – ITEM: “Mean”

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	157	15.7%
Not too well	319	31.9%
Somewhat well	285	28.5%
Very well	137	13.7%
Extremely well	102	10.2%

National Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	1061	24.4%
Not too well	1298	29.9%
Somewhat well	997	22.9%
Very well	522	12.0%
Extremely well	469	10.8%

GROUP: Republican Voters – ITEM: “Patriotic”

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	62	6.2%
Not too well	108	10.8%
Somewhat well	279	27.9%
Very well	276	27.6%
Extremely well	274	27.4%
Skipped	1	0.1%

National Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	404	9.3%
Not too well	503	11.6%
Somewhat well	1218	28.0%
Very well	1184	27.2%
Extremely well	1039	23.9%

GROUP: Republican Voters – ITEM: “Intelligent”

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	84	8.4%
Not too well	179	17.9%
Somewhat well	408	40.8%
Very well	235	23.5%
Extremely well	94	9.4%

National Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	448	10.3%
Not too well	742	17.1%
Somewhat well	1533	35.3%
Very well	1044	24.0%
Extremely well	580	13.3%

GROUP: Republican Voters – ITEM: “Honest”

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	102	10.2%
Not too well	244	24.4%
Somewhat well	370	37.0%
Very well	204	20.4%
Extremely well	80	8.0%

National Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	614	14.1%
Not too well	924	21.3%
Somewhat well	1410	32.4%
Very well	842	19.4%
Extremely well	557	12.8%

GROUP: Republican Voters – ITEM: “Open-Minded”

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	210	21.0%
Not too well	275	27.5%
Somewhat well	295	29.5%
Very well	159	15.9%
Extremely well	61	6.1%

National Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	1004	23.1%
Not too well	1072	24.7%
Somewhat well	1083	24.9%
Very well	665	15.3%
Extremely well	522	12.0%

GROUP: Republican Voters – ITEM: “Generous”

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	120	12.0%
Not too well	234	23.4%
Somewhat well	382	38.2%
Very well	184	18.4%
Extremely well	80	8.0%

National Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	732	16.8%
Not too well	928	21.4%
Somewhat well	1378	31.7%
Very well	781	18.0%
Extremely well	529	12.2%

GROUP: Republican Voters – ITEM: “Hypocritical”

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	116	11.6%
Not too well	252	25.2%
Somewhat well	310	31.0%
Very well	179	17.9%
Extremely well	144	14.4%

National Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	554	12.7%
Not too well	913	21.0%
Somewhat well	1205	27.7%
Very well	854	19.6%
Extremely well	822	18.9%

GROUP: Republican Voters – ITEM: “Selfish”

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	107	10.7%
Not too well	272	27.2%
Somewhat well	315	31.5%
Very well	191	16.1%
Extremely well	116	11.6%

National Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	625	14.4%
Not too well	1013	23.3%
Somewhat well	1167	26.8%
Very well	826	19.0%
Extremely well	715	16.5%

GROUP: Republican Voters – ITEM: “Mean”

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	134	13.4%
Not too well	307	30.7%
Somewhat well	303	30.3%
Very well	161	16.1%
Extremely well	93	9.3%
skipped	2	0.2%

National Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	720	16.6%
Not too well	1084	24.9%
Somewhat well	1118	25.7%
Very well	789	18.2%
Extremely well	637	14.7%

How much of the time do you think you can trust Democratic voters to do what is right for the country?

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Almost never	241	24.1%
Once in a while	241	24.1%
About half the time	266	26.6%
Most of the time	201	20.1%
Almost always	51	5.1%

National Sample		
	N	%
Almost never	847	19.5%
Once in a while	835	19.2%
About half the time	1002	23.1%
Most of the time	1127	25.9%
Almost always	537	12.3%

How much of the time do you think you can trust Republican voters to do what is right for the country?

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Almost never	138	13.8%
Once in a while	238	23.8%
About half the time	340	34.0%
Most of the time	229	22.9%
Almost always	54	5.4%

National Sample		
	N	%
Almost never	894	20.6%
Once in a while	981	22.6%
About half the time	1219	28.0%
Most of the time	886	20.4%
Almost always	367	8.4%

How comfortable are you having close personal friends who are Democratic voters?

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Not at all comfortable	43	4.3%
Not too comfortable	105	10.5%
Somewhat comfortable	396	39.6%
Extremely comfortable	456	45.6%

National Sample		
	N	%
Not at all comfortable	240	5.5%
Not too comfortable	404	9.3%
Somewhat comfortable	1476	34.0%
Extremely comfortable	2227	51.2%

How comfortable are you having neighbors on your street who are Democratic voters?

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Not at all comfortable	46	4.6%
Not too comfortable	89	8.9%
Somewhat comfortable	405	40.5%
Extremely comfortable	460	46.0%

National Sample		
	N	%
Not at all comfortable	232	5.3%
Not too comfortable	393	9.0%
Somewhat comfortable	1577	36.3%
Extremely comfortable	2146	49.4%

Suppose a son or daughter of yours was getting married. How would you feel if he or she married someone who is a Democratic voter?

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Not at all upset	527	52.7%
Not too upset	267	26.7%
Somewhat upset	167	16.7%
Extremely upset	39	3.9%

National Sample		
	N	%
Not at all upset	2546	58.6%
Not too upset	971	22.3%
Somewhat upset	535	12.3%
Extremely upset	296	6.8%

How comfortable are you having close personal friends who are Republican voters?

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Not at all comfortable	49	4.9%
Not too comfortable	120	12.0%
Somewhat comfortable	331	33.1%
Extremely comfortable	500	50.0%

National Sample		
	N	%
Not at all comfortable	383	8.8%
Not too comfortable	664	15.3%
Somewhat comfortable	1509	34.7%
Extremely comfortable	1790	41.2%

How comfortable are you having neighbors on your street who are Republican voters?

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Not at all comfortable	41	4.1%
Not too comfortable	117	11.7%
Somewhat comfortable	345	34.5%
Extremely comfortable	497	49.7%

National Sample		
	N	%
Not at all comfortable	369	8.5%
Not too comfortable	715	16.4%
Somewhat comfortable	1469	33.8%
Extremely comfortable	1795	41.3%

Suppose a son or daughter of yours was getting married. How would you feel if he or she married someone who is a Republican voter?

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Not at all upset	585	58.5%
Not too upset	238	23.8%
Somewhat upset	128	12.8%
Extremely upset	50	5.0%

National Sample		
	N	%
Not at all upset	2115	48.7%
Not too upset	1059	24.4%
Somewhat upset	740	17.0%
Extremely upset	434	10.0%

Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with each of the following statements:

I do not mind a politician's methods if he or she manages to get the right things done.

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Strongly disagree	160	16.0%
Somewhat disagree	250	25.0%
Neither agree nor disagree	187	18.7%
Somewhat agree	287	28.7%
Strongly agree	116	11.6%

National Sample		
	N	%
Strongly disagree	429	9.9%
Somewhat disagree	715	16.5%
Neither agree nor disagree	986	22.7%
Somewhat agree	1415	32.6%
Strongly agree	801	18.4%

The executive, legislative, and judicial branches of government should keep one another from having too much power.

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Strongly disagree	18	1.8%
Somewhat disagree	15	1.5%
Neither agree nor disagree	107	10.7%
Somewhat agree	253	25.3%
Strongly agree	607	60.7%

National Sample		
	N	%
Strongly disagree	119	2.7%
Somewhat disagree	185	4.3%
Neither agree nor disagree	745	17.1%
Somewhat agree	1319	30.3%
Strongly agree	1978	45.5%

When the country is in great danger, it is often necessary for political leaders to act boldly, even if this means overstepping the usual processes of government decision-making.

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Strongly disagree	161	16.1%
Somewhat disagree	215	21.5%
Neither agree nor disagree	217	21.7%
Somewhat agree	302	30.2%
Strongly agree	104	10.4%

National Sample		
	N	%
Strongly disagree	443	10.2%
Somewhat disagree	672	15.5%
Neither agree nor disagree	1120	25.8%
Somewhat agree	1484	34.1%
Strongly agree	628	14.4%

It is important that the government treats other institutions with respect, such as news organizations, religious communities, scientific groups, or business associations.

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Strongly disagree	12	1.2%
Somewhat disagree	32	3.2%
Neither agree nor disagree	119	11.9%
Somewhat agree	241	24.1%
Strongly agree	597	59.7%

National Sample		
	N	%
Strongly disagree	78	1.8%
Somewhat disagree	128	2.9%
Neither agree nor disagree	732	16.8%
Somewhat agree	1361	31.3%
Strongly agree	2048	47.1%

People should be allowed to vote even if they are badly misinformed on basic facts about politics.

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Strongly disagree	77	7.7%
Somewhat disagree	149	14.9%
Neither agree nor disagree	242	24.2%
Somewhat agree	220	22.0%
Strongly agree	312	31.2%

National Sample		
	N	%
Strongly disagree	293	6.7%
Somewhat disagree	470	10.8%
Neither agree nor disagree	1122	25.8%
Somewhat agree	1153	26.5%
Strongly agree	1309	30.1%

People who hate my way of life should still have a chance to talk in a public forum.

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Strongly disagree	25	2.5%
Somewhat disagree	32	3.2%
Neither agree nor disagree	154	15.4%
Somewhat agree	278	27.8%
Strongly agree	511	51.1%

National Sample		
	N	%
Strongly disagree	107	2.5%
Somewhat disagree	187	4.3%
Neither agree nor disagree	882	20.3%
Somewhat agree	1382	31.8%
Strongly agree	1789	41.2%

We have to teach children that all people are created equal but almost everyone knows that some are inherently better than others.

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Strongly disagree	430	43.0%
Somewhat disagree	152	15.2%
Neither agree nor disagree	186	18.6%
Somewhat agree	127	12.7%
Strongly agree	105	10.5%
skipped	1	0.1%

National Sample		
	N	%
Strongly disagree	1415	32.5%
Somewhat disagree	556	12.8%
Neither agree nor disagree	915	21.0%
Somewhat agree	786	18.1%
Strongly agree	675	15.5%

Some protests need to be prevented or stopped, even if they are completely peaceful.

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Strongly disagree	397	39.7%
Somewhat disagree	230	23.0%
Neither agree nor disagree	201	20.1%
Somewhat agree	125	12.5%
Strongly agree	48	4.8%

National Sample		
	N	%
Strongly disagree	1435	33.0%
Somewhat disagree	810	18.6%
Neither agree nor disagree	1000	23.0%
Somewhat agree	696	16.0%
Strongly agree	406	9.3%

What people call compromise in politics is really just selling out on one's principles.

Utah Sample			National Sample		
	N	%		N	%
Strongly disagree	69	6.9%	Strongly disagree	274	6.3%
Disagree	257	25.7%	Disagree	920	21.2%
Neither agree nor disagree	350	35.0%	Neither agree nor disagree	1537	35.4%
Agree	249	24.9%	Agree	1292	29.7%
Strongly agree	74	7.4%	Strongly agree	325	7.5%

Having a strong leader in government is good for the United States even if the leader bends the rules to get things done.

Utah Sample			National Sample		
	N	%		N	%
Strongly disagree	162	16.2%	Strongly disagree	498	11.5%
Disagree	327	32.7%	Disagree	1079	24.8%
Neither agree nor disagree	292	29.2%	Neither agree nor disagree	1246	28.7%
Agree	164	16.4%	Agree	1195	27.5%
Strongly agree	54	5.4%	Strongly agree	329	7.6%

People have different ideas about the government in Washington. These ideas don't refer to Democrats or Republicans in particular, but just to government in general. We want to see how you feel about these ideas...

How much of the time do you think you can trust the government in Washington to do what is right-- just about always, most of the time, or only some of the time?

Utah Sample			National Sample		
	N	%		N	%
Just about always	26	2.6%	Just about always	236	5.4%
Most of the time	191	19.1%	Most of the time	1099	25.3%
Only some of the time	720	72.0%	Only some of the time	2738	63.0%
Don't know	62	6.2%	Don't know	274	6.3%

Would you say the government is pretty much run by a few big interests looking out for themselves or that it is run for the benefit of all the people?

Utah Sample			National Sample		
	N	%		N	%
Few big interests	753	75.3%	Few big interests	2789	64.2%
Benefit of all	120	12.0%	Benefit of all	946	21.8%
Don't know	128	12.8%	Don't know	613	14.1%

How much do you feel that having elections makes the government pay attention - a good deal, some, or not much?

Utah Sample		
	N	%
A good deal	200	20.0%
Some	438	43.8%
Not much	298	29.8%
Don't know	64	6.4%

National Sample		
	N	%
A good deal	1144	26.3%
Some	1822	41.9%
Not much	1161	26.7%
Don't know	220	5.1%

Do you think that quite a few of the people running the government are crooked - not very many are, or do you think hardly any of them are crooked?

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Quite a few	666	66.6%
Not very many	223	22.3%
Hardly any	54	5.4%
Don't know	57	5.7%

National Sample		
	N	%
Quite a few	2522	58.0%
Not very many	1221	28.1%
Hardly any	380	8.7%
Don't know	225	5.2%

Do you think that people in the government waste a lot of money we pay in taxes, waste some of it, or don't waste very much of it?

Utah Sample		
	N	%
A lot	632	63.2%
Some	255	25.5%
Not very much	68	6.8%
Don't know	45	4.5%

National Sample		
	N	%
A lot	2294	52.8%
Some	1512	34.8%
Not very much	378	8.7%
Don't know	164	3.8%

Over the years, how much attention do you feel the government pays to what the people think when it decides what to do - a good deal, some, or not much?

Utah Sample			National Sample		
	N	%		N	%
A good deal	72	7.2%	A good deal	457	10.5%
Some	353	35.3%	Some	1722	39.6%
Not much	530	53.0%	Not much	2008	46.2%
Don't know	45	4.5%	Don't know	161	3.7%

Do you Agree or Disagree with the following statements?

People like me don't have any say about what the government does.

Utah Sample			National Sample		
	N	%		N	%
Strongly disagree	55	5.5%	Strongly disagree	350	8.0%
Disagree	157	15.7%	Disagree	1000	23.0%
Neither agree nor disagree	251	25.1%	Neither agree nor disagree	1022	23.5%
Agree	360	36.0%	Agree	1311	30.2%
Strongly agree	177	17.7%	Strongly agree	664	15.3%

Public officials don't care much what people like me think.

Utah Sample			National Sample		
	N	%		N	%
Strongly disagree	18	1.8%	Strongly disagree	149	3.4%
Disagree	135	13.5%	Disagree	657	15.1%
Neither agree nor disagree	195	19.5%	Neither agree nor disagree	962	22.1%
Agree	430	43.0%	Agree	1693	39.0%
Strongly agree	222	22.2%	Strongly agree	886	20.4%

I consider myself well qualified to participate in politics.

Utah Sample			National Sample		
	N	%		N	%
Strongly disagree	66	6.6%	Strongly disagree	287	6.6%
Disagree	154	15.4%	Disagree	637	14.7%
Neither agree nor disagree	315	31.5%	Neither agree nor disagree	1295	29.8%
Agree	302	30.2%	Agree	1413	32.5%
Strongly agree	163	16.3%	Strongly agree	716	16.5%

I feel that I have a pretty good understanding of the important political issues facing our country.

Utah Sample			National Sample		
	N	%		N	%
Strongly disagree	27	2.7%	Strongly disagree	88	2.0%
Disagree	75	7.5%	Disagree	242	5.6%
Neither agree nor disagree	195	19.5%	Neither agree nor disagree	862	19.8%
Agree	485	48.5%	Agree	2220	51.1%
Strongly agree	218	21.8%	Strongly agree	936	21.5%

I feel that I could do as good a job in public office as most other people.

Utah Sample			National Sample		
	N	%		N	%
Strongly disagree	122	12.2%	Strongly disagree	381	8.8%
Disagree	186	18.6%	Disagree	789	18.1%
Neither agree nor disagree	290	29.0%	Neither agree nor disagree	1287	29.6%
Agree	264	26.4%	Agree	1280	29.4%
Strongly agree	138	13.8%	Strongly agree	610	14.0%

I think that I am better informed about politics and government than most people.

Utah Sample			National Sample		
	N	%		N	%
Strongly disagree	72	7.2%	Strongly disagree	299	6.9%
Disagree	199	19.9%	Disagree	689	15.8%
Neither agree nor disagree	338	33.8%	Neither agree nor disagree	1569	36.1%
Agree	268	26.8%	Agree	1356	31.2%
Strongly agree	123	12.3%	Strongly agree	435	10.0%

Although there are a number of qualities that people feel that children should have, every person thinks that some are more important than others. Below is a list of various pairs of desirable qualities.

For each pair we'd like you to indicate which one you think is more important for a child to have. We realize that you might think both qualities are important, but we'd like you to pick the one you feel is the more important of the two:

Independence or Respect for elders?

Utah Sample			National Sample		
	N	%		N	%
Independence	413	41.3%	Independence	1512	34.8%
Respect for elders	587	58.7%	Respect for elders	2835	65.2%

Obedience or Self-reliance?

Utah Sample			National Sample		
	N	%		N	%
Obedience	289	28.9%	Obedience	1596	36.7%
Self-Reliance	711	71.1%	Self-Reliance	2751	63.3%

Curiosity or Good manners?

Utah Sample			National Sample		
	N	%		N	%
Curiosity	430	43.0%	Curiosity	1492	34.3%
Good manners	570	57.0%	Good manners	2855	65.7%

Being considerate or Being well-behaved?

Utah Sample			National Sample		
	N	%		N	%
Being considerate	771	77.1%	Being considerate	2796	64.3%
Being well-behaved	229	22.9%	Being well-behaved	1552	35.7%

Now we'd like to know about your own level of involvement in the political process and to know some of your views about things that have happened in the news.

In talking to people about elections, we often find that a lot of people were not able to vote because they weren't registered, they were sick, or they just didn't have time.

Which of the following statements best describes you:

Utah Sample			National Sample		
	N	%		N	%
I did not vote in the U.S. election in November 2022.	234	23.4%	I did not vote in the U.S. election this month.	771	17.7%
I thought about voting in U.S. election in November 2022, but I didn't.	54	5.4%	I thought about voting in U.S. election this month, but I didn't.	327	7.5%
I usually vote, but I didn't vote in the U.S. election in November 2022.	65	6.5%	I usually vote, but I didn't vote in the U.S. election this month.	319	7.3%
I voted in the U.S. election in November 2022.	646	64.6%	I voted in the U.S. election this month.	2930	67.4%

*Because the Utah Sample was collected over a month later than the National Sample, the wording of the response options varied slightly to ensure clarity.

If voted in the U.S. election in November 2022 –

ASKED OF UTAH RESPONDENTS:

For which party's candidate did you vote for in the United States House of Representatives election in your district here in Utah in November 2022?

ASKED OF NATIONAL RESPONDENTS:

For which party's candidate did you vote for in the United States House of Representatives election in your district this month?

Utah Sample			National Sample		
	N	%		N	%
Democratic party	204	20.4%	Democratic party	1565	36.0%
Republican party	359	35.9%	Republican party	1275	29.3%
Other party, or independent candidate	79	7.9%	Other party, or independent candidate	87	2.0%
I did not vote in this election	4	0.4%	I did not vote in this election	3	0.1%
Not asked	354	35.4%	Not asked	1417	32.6%

ASKED OF NATIONAL RESPONDENTS WHO INDICATED THEY VOTED IN NOVEMBER 2022:

Was there an election for a seat in the United States Senate in your state this month?

		National Sample	
		N	%
Not Asked	Yes	2252	51.8%
	No	340	7.8%
	I'm not sure	338	7.8%
	Not asked	1417	32.6%

ASKED OF UTAH RESPONDENTS WHO INDICATED THEY VOTED IN NOVEMBER 2022:

For whom did you vote in the United States Senate election here in Utah in November 2022?

ASKED OF NATIONAL RESPONDENTS WHO INDICATED THEY VOTED IN NOVEMBER 2022 AND THAT THERE WAS A SENATE RACE IN THEIR STATE:

For which party's candidate did you vote in the United States Senate election this month?

Utah Sample			National Sample		
	N	%		N	%
Evan McMullin	262	26.2%	Democratic Party	1225	28.2%
Mike Lee	307	30.7%	Republican Party	976	22.4%
Another candidate	54	5.4%	Another party or an Independent candidate	51	1.2%
I did not vote in this election	24	2.4%	I did not vote in this election	0	0.0%
Not asked	354	35.4%	Not asked	2096	48.2%

Now thinking back to the last presidential election in 2020 between Donald Trump and Joe Biden. Which of the following statements best describes you:

Utah Sample			National Sample		
	N	%		N	%
I did not vote in the 2020 presidential election.	258	25.8%	I did not vote in the 2020 presidential election.	770	17.7%
I thought about voting in the 2020 presidential election, but I didn't.	50	5.0%	I thought about voting in the 2020 presidential election, but I didn't.	229	5.3%
I usually vote, but I didn't vote in the 2020 presidential election.	24	2.4%	I usually vote, but I didn't vote in the 2020 presidential election.	121	2.8%
I voted in the 2020 presidential election.	668	66.8%	I voted in the 2020 presidential election.	3227	74.2%

If voted in the U.S. Presidential election in 2020 –

Who did you vote for in the election for President in 2020?

Utah Sample			National Sample		
	N	%		N	%
Joe Biden	252	37.7%	Joe Biden	1675	51.9%
Donald Trump	391	58.5%	Donald Trump	1476	45.7%
Jo Jorgensen	12	1.8%	Jo Jorgensen	30	0.9%
Other	13	1.9%	Another candidate	46	1.4%

Thinking back to the riot at the U.S. Capitol on January 6th, 2021... Regardless of the actual actions taken, do you think the anger over the presidential election that led to this incident was fully justified, partially justified, or not at all justified?

Utah Sample			National Sample		
	N	%		N	%
Fully justified	123	12.3%	Fully justified	616	14.2%
Partially justified	306	30.6%	Partially justified	1136	26.1%
Not at all justified	572	57.2%	Not at all justified	2595	59.7%

Do you believe Joe Biden won the 2020 presidential election fair and square, or do you believe that he only won it due to voter fraud?

Utah Sample			National Sample		
	N	%		N	%
Fair and square	587	58.7%	Fair and square	2923	67.2%
Because of voter fraud	413	41.3%	Because of voter fraud	1425	32.8%

Now we're going to ask you about the feelings you may have about riot at the U.S. Capitol on January 6th, 2021. For each of the feelings listed below, please indicate whether they describe your own feelings about the riot: *Not at all well, Not too well, Somewhat well, Very well, or Extremely well.*

JANUARY 6th FEELING: Happy

Utah Sample			National Sample		
	N	%		N	%
Not at all well	647	64.7%	Not at all well	2600	59.8%
Not too well	196	19.6%	Not too well	704	16.2%
Somewhat well	108	10.8%	Somewhat well	556	12.8%
Very well	22	2.2%	Very well	265	6.1%
Extremely well	27	2.7%	Extremely well	222	5.1%

JANUARY 6th FEELING: *Afraid*

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	239	23.9%
Not too well	203	20.3%
Somewhat well	297	29.7%
Very well	147	14.7%
Extremely well	114	11.4%

National Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	1007	23.2%
Not too well	764	17.6%
Somewhat well	1212	27.9%
Very well	827	19.0%
Extremely well	537	12.4%

JANUARY 6th FEELING: *Proud*

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	637	63.7%
Not too well	193	19.3%
Somewhat well	99	9.9%
Very well	36	3.6%
Extremely well	34	3.4%
Skipped	1	0.1%

National Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	2573	59.2%
Not too well	655	15.1%
Somewhat well	561	12.9%
Very well	316	7.3%
Extremely well	242	5.6%

JANUARY 6th FEELING: *Angry*

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	173	17.3%
Not too well	123	12.3%
Somewhat well	277	27.7%
Very well	198	19.8%
Extremely well	230	23.0%

National Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	694	16.0%
Not too well	642	14.8%
Somewhat well	986	22.7%
Very well	814	18.7%
Extremely well	1212	27.9%

JANUARY 6th FEELING: *Excited*

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	632	63.2%
Not too well	183	18.3%
Somewhat well	130	13.0%
Very well	27	2.7%
Extremely well	28	2.8%

National Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	2370	54.5%
Not too well	789	18.1%
Somewhat well	565	13.0%
Very well	370	8.5%
Extremely well	253	5.8%

JANUARY 6th FEELING: *Sad*

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	146	14.6%
Not too well	97	9.7%
Somewhat well	248	24.8%
Very well	231	23.1%
Extremely well	278	27.8%

National Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	712	16.4%
Not too well	637	14.7%
Somewhat well	893	20.5%
Very well	976	22.4%
Extremely well	1130	26.0%

JANUARY 6th FEELING: *Nervous*

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	212	21.2%
Not too well	154	15.4%
Somewhat well	292	29.2%
Very well	203	20.3%
Extremely well	139	13.9%

National Sample		
	N	%
Not at all well	913	21.0%
Not too well	743	17.1%
Somewhat well	1150	26.5%
Very well	860	19.8%
Extremely well	680	15.6%

Now we want to get an idea about how you feel about education.

Below is a series of statements we often hear people make as they discuss the role and value of education in society.

For each one, please indicate how much you *Agree* or *Disagree* with the statement:

"Universities and colleges place too much emphasis on subjects like Philosophy and the Arts and not enough on practical job training."

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Strongly disagree	75	7.5%
Disagree	158	15.8%
Neither agree nor disagree	271	27.1%
Agree	288	28.8%
Strongly agree	208	20.8%

National Sample		
	N	%
Strongly disagree	263	6.1%
Disagree	646	14.9%
Neither agree nor disagree	1223	28.1%
Agree	1435	33.0%
Strongly agree	780	17.9%

"It is troubling that some people put more of their trust in science than they do in religion."

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Strongly disagree	241	24.1%
Disagree	167	16.7%
Neither agree nor disagree	337	33.7%
Agree	165	16.5%
Strongly agree	90	9.0%

National Sample		
	N	%
Strongly disagree	972	22.4%
Disagree	750	17.3%
Neither agree nor disagree	1333	30.7%
Agree	854	19.6%
Strongly agree	439	10.1%

"Highly educated people think they know more about what's good for people than the people themselves."

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Strongly disagree	45	4.5%
Disagree	100	10.0%
Neither agree nor disagree	282	28.2%
Agree	394	39.4%
Strongly agree	178	17.8%

National Sample		
	N	%
Strongly disagree	181	4.2%
Disagree	451	10.4%
Neither agree nor disagree	1152	26.5%
Agree	1723	39.6%
Strongly agree	840	19.3%

"Subjects like business and computer science are more important than literature and philosophy."

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Strongly disagree	82	8.2%
Disagree	214	21.4%
Neither agree nor disagree	416	41.6%
Agree	213	21.3%
Strongly agree	76	7.6%

National Sample		
	N	%
Strongly disagree	295	6.8%
Disagree	814	18.7%
Neither agree nor disagree	1667	38.3%
Agree	1132	26.0%
Strongly agree	439	10.1%

"Scientists should not conduct research that challenges religious doctrine."

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Strongly disagree	299	29.9%
Disagree	278	27.8%
Neither agree nor disagree	301	30.1%
Agree	95	9.5%
Strongly agree	27	2.7%

National Sample		
	N	%
Strongly disagree	1061	24.4%
Disagree	980	22.5%
Neither agree nor disagree	1294	29.8%
Agree	712	16.4%
Strongly agree	301	6.9%

"Highly educated people have an arrogant way about them."

Utah Sample			National Sample		
	N	%		N	%
Strongly disagree	75	7.5%	Strongly disagree	406	9.3%
Disagree	163	16.3%	Disagree	732	16.8%
Neither agree nor disagree	334	33.4%	Neither agree nor disagree	1419	32.6%
Agree	321	32.1%	Agree	1256	28.9%
Strongly agree	106	10.6%	Strongly agree	535	12.3%

"It is troubling when science challenges a person's deeply held beliefs."

Utah Sample			National Sample		
	N	%		N	%
Strongly disagree	203	20.3%	Strongly disagree	742	17.1%
Disagree	227	22.7%	Disagree	863	19.9%
Neither agree nor disagree	301	30.1%	Neither agree nor disagree	1284	29.5%
Agree	214	21.4%	Agree	1098	25.3%
Strongly agree	55	5.5%	Strongly agree	360	8.3%

"Courses in philosophy won't help students get a job after they graduate so they shouldn't be required by colleges and universities."

Utah Sample			National Sample		
	N	%		N	%
Strongly disagree	102	10.2%	Strongly disagree	443	10.2%
Disagree	255	25.5%	Disagree	999	23.0%
Neither agree nor disagree	348	34.8%	Neither agree nor disagree	1439	33.1%
Agree	201	20.1%	Agree	1032	23.7%
Strongly agree	93	9.3%	Strongly agree	434	10.0%

"I am concerned that highly educated people have too much influence in our political system."

Utah Sample			National Sample		
	N	%		N	%
Strongly disagree	150	15.0%	Strongly disagree	589	13.5%
Disagree	266	26.6%	Disagree	1016	23.4%
Neither agree nor disagree	299	29.9%	Neither agree nor disagree	1253	28.8%
Agree	189	18.9%	Agree	1039	23.9%
Strongly agree	96	9.6%	Strongly agree	451	10.4%

Finally, here are various types of political systems. For each one, would you say it is a very good, fairly good, fairly bad or very bad way of governing this country?

Having a strong leader who does not have to bother with Congress and elections.

Utah Sample			National Sample		
	N	%		N	%
Very good	62	6.2%	Very good	557	12.8%
Fairly good	198	19.8%	Fairly good	1050	24.2%
Fairly bad	268	26.8%	Fairly bad	1154	26.5%
Very bad	472	47.2%	Very bad	1586	36.5%

Having the army rule the country.

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Very good	32	3.2%
Fairly good	96	9.6%
Fairly bad	207	20.7%
Very bad	665	66.5%

National Sample		
	N	%
Very good	286	6.6%
Fairly good	625	14.4%
Fairly bad	1078	24.8%
Very bad	2358	54.2%

Having democratically elected leaders make the laws for the country.

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Very good	300	30.0%
Fairly good	411	41.1%
Fairly bad	156	15.6%
Very bad	132	13.2%

National Sample		
	N	%
Very good	1366	31.4%
Fairly good	1582	36.4%
Fairly bad	855	19.7%
Very bad	545	12.5%

Having the citizens directly participate in making the laws for the country.

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Very good	352	35.2%
Fairly good	475	47.5%
Fairly bad	137	13.7%
Very bad	35	3.5%
Skipped	1	0.1%

National Sample		
	N	%
Very good	1564	36.0%
Fairly good	1849	42.5%
Fairly bad	676	15.5%
Very bad	258	5.9%

Demographics

Age

Utah Sample		
	N	%
18-24	172	17.2%
25-34	196	19.6%
35-44	195	19.5%
45-54	149	14.9%
55-64	128	12.8%
65-74	103	10.3%
75+	58	5.8%

National Sample		
	N	%
18-24	519	11.9%
25-34	805	18.5%
35-44	852	19.6%
45-54	775	17.8%
55-64	706	16.2%
65-74	506	11.6%
75+	184	4.2%

Sex

Utah Sample		
	N	%
Male	499	49.9%
Female	501	50.1%

National Sample		
	N	%
Male	2128	48.9%
Female	2220	51.1%

Education

National Sample		
	N	%
Less than HS Degree	45	4.5%
HS Degree	272	27.2%
Some College	375	37.5%
Bachelors Degree or Higher	308	30.8%

National Sample		
	N	%
Less than HS Degree	399	9.2%
HS Degree	1203	27.7%
Some College	1329	30.6%
Bachelors Degree or Higher	1417	32.6%

Income

Utah Sample			National Sample		
	N	%		N	%
Less than \$10,000	57	5.7%	Under \$15,000	425	9.8%
\$10,000 - \$19,999	66	6.6%	\$15,000 to \$24,999	380	8.7%
\$20,000 - \$29,999	77	7.7%	\$25,000 to \$34,999	355	8.2%
\$30,000 - \$39,999	90	9.0%	\$35,000 to \$49,999	511	11.8%
\$40,000 - \$49,999	74	7.4%	\$50,000 to \$74,999	728	16.7%
\$50,000 - \$59,999	89	8.9%	\$75,000 to \$99,999	541	12.4%
\$60,000 - \$69,999	78	7.8%	\$100,000 to \$149,999	689	15.8%
\$70,000 - \$79,999	100	10.0%	\$150,000 to \$199,999	364	8.4%
\$80,000 - \$99,999	97	9.7%	\$200,000 and up	354	8.1%
\$100,000 - \$119,999	128	12.8%			
\$150,000 - \$199,999	44	4.4%			
\$200,000 and up	27	2.7%			
Prefer not to say	73	7.3%			

*Response categories differ between the Utah Sample and National Sample due to differences in how YouGov and Lucid Theorem collect this information about their respondents.

Race/Ethnicity

Utah Sample			National Sample		
	N	%		N	%
White	798	79.8%	White	3344	76.9%
Black	11	1.1%	Black	586	13.5%
Hispanic	125	12.5%	American Indian or Alaska Native	33	0.8%
Asian	14	1.4%	Asian	237	5.4%
Native American	11	1.1%	Pacific Islander	14	0.3%
Two or more races	24	2.4%	Other	135	3.1%
Other	17	1.7%			

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Party Identification

Utah Sample

	N	%
Democrat	291	29.1%
Independent	189	19.9%
Republican	464	46.4%
Not sure	56	5.6%

National Sample

	N	%
Democrat	2036	46.8%
Independent	694	16.0%
Republican	1617	37.2%

Ideology

Utah Sample

	N	%
Very liberal	68	6.8%
Liberal	133	13.3%
Moderate	354	35.4%
Conservative	212	21.2%
Very conservative	133	13.3%
Not sure	101	10.1%

National Sample

	N	%
Extremely liberal	343	7.9%
Liberal	551	12.7%
Somewhat liberal	409	9.4%
Moderate	1309	30.1%
Somewhat conservative	470	10.8%
Conservative	590	13.6%
Extremely conservative	410	9.4%
I don't know / I haven't thought much about this	266	6.1%

*Response categories differ between the Utah Sample and National Sample due to how YouGov and collects this information about its respondents.

Methodological and Weighting Information

Utah Sample

YouGov distributed the survey to 1197 respondents (18+ residents of Utah) who were then matched down to a sample of 1000 to produce the final dataset. The respondents were matched to a sampling frame on gender, age, race, and education. The frame was constructed by stratified sampling from the full 2019 American Community Survey (ACS) 1-year sample with selection within strata by weighted sampling with replacements (using the person weights on the public use file).

The matched cases were weighted to the sampling frame using propensity scores. The matched cases and the frame were combined and a logistic regression was estimated for inclusion in the frame. The propensity score function included age, gender, race/ethnicity, years of education, and region. The propensity scores were grouped into deciles of the estimated propensity score in the frame and post-stratified according to these deciles.

The weights were then post-stratified on 2016 and 2020 Presidential vote choice, a four-way stratification of gender, age (four categories), race (three categories), and education (four categories), a two-way stratification of age (four categories) and race (three categories), and a two-way stratification of Education (four categories) and race (three categories), to produce the final weight.

National Sample

The survey was distributed online to a national sample of 5109 respondents (18+ residents of the United States) by Lucid, LLC. Respondents were recruited for this sample from many sample providers in the Lucid marketplace. More information about the Lucid marketplace and the data quality tests they employ are available [here](#). Quotas on race, Hispanic ethnicity, sex, and age were applied prior to the commencement of the administration of the survey. As a quality-control measure, an open-ended question was included to filter-out invalid responses from inattentive respondents. These responses were individually inspected by the poll director, who then deleted 109 cases that were invalid.

A rake weight procedure was employed to calculate sample weights using a three-way stratification of age (two categories), sex (two categories), and education (four categories), a stratification of race (four categories), a stratification of Hispanic ethnicity (two categories), and a stratification of income (nine categories).

Demographic characteristics of the weighted and unweighted samples are compared to population parameters for Utah and the nation in the tables below.

Utah Sample

Weighted and Unweighted Sample Distributions Compared to Population Parameters for Utah

		Population %	Unweighted %	Weighted %
Age	18 – 24	16	17	17
	25 – 44	40	39	39
	45 – 64	28	28	28
	65+	16	16	16
Sex	Male	50	47	50
	Female	50	54	50
Race	Black	1	1	1
	White	79	84	80
	Hispanic	14	9	13
	Other	6	6	6
Education	< H.S. Degree	8	3	5
	H.S. Degree	62	64	64
	Bachelor’s Deg.	21	22	21
	Graduate Deg.	10	10	10
2016 Presidential Vote	Trump	46	51	46
	Clinton	27	30	27
	McMullin	22	12	17
	Johnson	4	4	6
	Stein	1	1	1
	Other	1	3	4
2020 Presidential Vote	Biden	38	41	38
	Trump	58	53	58
	Jorgenson	3	3	2
	Other	2	2	2

National Sample

Weighted and Unweighted Sample Distributions Compared to Population Parameters for the United States

		Population %	Unweighted %	Weighted %
Age	18 – 24	12	13	12
	25 – 44	35	36	38
	45 – 64	32	33	34
	65+	22	18	16
Sex	Male	49	48	49
	Female	51	52	51
Race	Black	14	12	14
	White	76	74	77
	Asian	6	4	5
	Two or More/Other	3	8	3
	Native American	1	1	1
	Pacific Islander	<1%	<1%	<1%
Ethnicity	Non-Hispanic	81	90	83
	Hispanic	19	10	17
Education	< H.S. Degree	11	3	9
	H.S. Degree	27	29	28
	Some College	30	30	31
	Bachelor’s Deg. +	32	39	33
Income	Under \$15,000	9	19	10
	\$15,000 to \$24,999	8	13	9
	\$25,000 to \$34,999	8	13	8
	\$35,000 to \$49,999	11	15	12
	\$50,000 to \$74,999	16	18	17
	\$75,000 to \$99,999	12	10	12
	\$100,000 to \$149,999	16	8	16
	\$150,000 to \$199,999	8	3	8
	\$200,000+	12	1	8