## Topline

# KFF/LA Times Survey of Immigrants April-June 2023



#### **METHODOLOGY**

The KFF/LA Times Survey of Immigrants is a partnership survey conducted by KFF and the LA Times examining the U.S. immigrant experience. The survey was conducted April 10-June 12, 2023, online, by telephone, and by mail among a nationally representative sample of 3,358 immigrants, defined as adults living in the U.S. who were born outside the U.S. and its territories. Respondents had the option to complete the survey in one of ten languages: English (n=2,435), Spanish (n=627), Chinese (n=171), Korean (n=52), Vietnamese (n=22), Portuguese (n=16), Haitian-Creole (n=13), Arabic (n=9), French (n=9), and Tagalog (n=4). These languages were chosen as they are most commonly spoken by immigrant adults from countries of focus for the survey with limited English proficiency (LEP), based on the 2021 American Community Survey (2021).

Teams from KFF and The Los Angeles Times worked together to develop the questionnaire and both organizations contributed financing for the survey. KFF researchers analyzed the data, and each organization bears the sole responsibility for the work that appears under its name. Sampling, data collection, weighting, and tabulation were managed by SSRS of Glenn Mills, Pennsylvania in collaboration with public opinion researchers at KFF.

Respondents were reached through one of three sampling modes: an address-based sample (ABS) (n=2,661); a random digit dial telephone (RDD) sample of prepaid (pay-as-you go) cell phone numbers (n=565); and callbacks to telephone numbers that that were previously randomly sampled for RDD surveys and were identified as speaking a language other than English or Spanish (n=132). Respondents from all three samples were asked to specify their country of birth and qualified for the survey if they were born outside of the U.S.

Project design was informed by a pilot study conducted from January 31-March 14, 2022 among a sample of 1,089 immigrants in collaboration with SSRS. Prior to fielding the pilot study, KFF and SSRS conducted interviews with experts who had previous experience surveying immigrants. These conversations informed decisions on sampling, modes of data collection, recruitment strategies, and languages of interviews. The pilot test measured incidence of immigrant households across four different sample types and offered a short survey in 8 different languages both online and on the telephone. Based on the results of the pilot test, the following recruitment and data collection protocol was implemented:

#### Sampling strategy and interview modes:

The ABS was divided into areas (strata), defined by Census tract, based on the incidence of immigrants among the population overall and by countries of origin. Within each stratum, the sample was further divided into addresses that were flagged by Marketing Systems Group (MSG) as possibly occupied by foreign-born adults and unflagged addresses. To increase the likelihood of reaching immigrant adults, strata with higher incidence of immigrant households overall, and of immigrants from certain countries of origin were oversampled.

Households in the ABS were invited to participate through multiple mail invitations: 1) an initial letter in English with a short paragraph of instructions in each of the 10 survey languages on the back; 2) a reminder postcard in English plus up to two additional languages; 3) a follow-up letter accompanied by hardcopy questionnaires in English and one additional language; and 4) a final reminder including short messages in all 10 languages. For mailings 2 and 3, additional languages were chosen by using flags to identify the language other than English likely spoken at home. Invitation letters requested the household member ages 18 or older who was born outside of the U.S. with the most recent birthday to complete the survey in one of three ways: by going online, dialing into a toll-free number, or returning the completed paper questionnaire. In addition, interviewers attempted outbound calls to telephone numbers that were matched to sampled addresses. ABS respondents completed the survey online (n=2,087), over the phone (n=105), or by mail on paper (n=469). The random sample of addresses was provided by MSG.

The RDD sample of prepaid (pay-as-you-go) cell phone numbers was obtained through MSG. The prepaid cell phone component was disproportionately stratified to effectively reach immigrants from different countries based on county-level information. To increase the likelihood of reaching immigrant adults, counties with higher incidence of immigrants overall, and of certain countries of origin were oversampled.

The callback sample included 132 respondents who were reached by calling back telephone numbers that were previously randomly sampled for SSRS RDD surveys within two years and coded by interviewers as non-English or non-Spanish speaking. as having respondents speaking languages other than English or Spanish.

#### Incentives:

Initial mailings to the ABS sample included \$2 as part of the invitation package, and respondents received a \$10 incentive if they completed the survey in the first two weeks after the initial mailing. In order to increase participation among under-represented groups, the incentive increased to \$20 for those who did not respond within the first two weeks. ABS phone respondents received this incentive via a check received by mail, paper respondents received a Visa gift card by mail, and web respondents received an electronic gift card incentive. Respondents in both phone samples received a \$25 incentive via a check received by mail.

#### Questionnaire design and translation:

In addition to collaboration between KFF and the LA Times, input from organizations and individuals that directly serve or have expertise in issues facing immigrant populations helped shaped the questionnaire. These community representatives were offered a modest honorarium for their time and effort to review questionnaire drafts, provide input, attend meetings, and offer their expertise on dissemination of findings.

After the content of the questionnaire was largely finalized, SSRS conducted a telephone pretest in English and adjustments were made to the questionnaire. Following the English pretest, Research Support Services Inc. (RSS) translated the survey instrument from English into the nine languages outlined above and performed cognitive testing through qualitative interviews in all languages including English. The results of the cognitive testing were used to adjust questionnaire wording in all languages including English to ensure comprehension and cohesiveness across languages and modes of interview. As a final check on translation and its overlay into the web and CATI program, translators from Cetra Language Solution reviewed each question, as it appears in the program, and provided feedback. The questionnaire was revised and finalized based on this feedback.

#### Data quality checks:

A series of data quality checks were run on the final data. The online questionnaire included two questions designed to establish that respondents were paying attention and cases were monitored for data quality. Fifteen cases were removed from the data because they failed two or more quality checks, failed both attention check questions, or skipped over 50% of survey questions. An additional 67 interviews were removed after deemed ineligible by SSRS researchers (they were not U.S. immigrants).

#### Weighting:

The combined sample was weighted to adjust for the sampling design and to match the characteristics of the U.S. adult immigrant population, based on data from the Census Bureau's 2021 American Community Survey (ACS). Weighting was done separately for each of 11 groups defined by country or region of origin (Mexico, China, Other East/Southeast Asia, South Asia, Europe, Central America, South America, Caribbean, Middle East/North Africa, Sub-Sahara Africa, all others). The samples were weighted by sex, age, education, race/ethnicity, census region, number of adults in the household, presence of children in the household, home ownership, time living in the U.S., English proficiency, and U.S. citizenship. The overall sample was also weighted to match the share of U.S. adult immigrants from each country/region of origin group. The weights take into account differences in the probability of selection for each of the three sample types. This includes adjustment for the sample design and geographic stratification, and within household probability of selection. Subgroup analysis includes data checks to ensure that the weighted demographics of subgroups are within reasonable range from benchmarks whenever possible. The margin of sampling error including the design effect for the full sample is plus or minus 2 percentage points. Numbers of respondents and margins of sampling error for key subgroups are shown in the table below. For results based on other subgroups, the margin of sampling error may be higher. Sample sizes and margins of sampling error for other subgroups are available by request. Sampling error is only one of many potential sources of error and there may be other unmeasured error in this or any other public opinion poll. KFF public opinion and survey research is a charter member of the Transparency Initiative of the American Association for Public Opinion Research.

Group	N (unweighted)	M.O.S.E.
Total	3,358	± 2 percentage points
Race/Ethnicity		
Black immigrants	274	± 8 percentage points
Hispanic immigrants	1,207	± 4 percentage points
Asian immigrants	1,318	± 4 percentage points
White immigrants	495	± 6 percentage points
Immigration Status		
Naturalized citizen	2,134	± 3 percentage points
Green card or valid visa holder	819	± 5 percentage points
Likely undocumented	372	± 6 percentage points
English Proficiency		
Speaks English only or "very well"	1,713	± 3 percentage points
Speaks English "less than very well"	1,635	± 3 percentage points

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#### Notes for reading the topline:

- Percentages may not always add up to 100 percent due to rounding.
- Values less than 0.5 percent are indicated by an asterisk (\*).
- "Vol." indicates a response was volunteered by the respondent not offered as an explicit choice.
- Questions are presented in the order asked; question numbers may not be sequential.
- No answer includes those who said 'Don't know' or refused to answer the question on the phone and those who skipped the question on the web.
- There were small question wording variations between mode of completion, but web mode question text is shown in this document.

	Total immigrants
Mexico	24
Central America	8
Cuba	3
Caribbean	7
South America	8
East Europe	5
Other Europe	8
China/HK/Taiwan	6
Philippines	5
India	6
Other East/SE Asia	8
Other South Asia	2
Mid East/N. Africa	4
Sub-Saharan Africa	4
Central Asia	*
Oceania	1
North America	2
Unspecified	*

## Q4. In what year did you move to the U.S? (Open-ended)

	Total immigrants
2020-2023	6
2010-2019	22
2000-2009	21
1990-1999	20
1980-1989	13
1970-1979	9
1960-1969	4
1950-1959	1
1940-1949	1
1930-1939	*
No answer	3

#### YRSINUS VARIABLE. Years in U.S.

	Total immigrants
Less than 5 years	8
5-10 years	14
11-20 years	18
21-30 years	23
31-40 years	14
41-50 years	12
51-60 years	5
61-70 years	2
71-80 years	1
No answer	*

Q7. Compared to your parents when they were your age, do you think your own standard of living now is better, worse, or about the same as theirs was?

	Total immigrants
Better	77
Worse	7
About the same	15
No answer	1

Q8. When your children are the age you are now, do you think their standard of living will be better, worse, or about the same as yours is now?

	Total immigrants
Better	60
Worse	13
About the same	17
Do not have or intend to have children	8
No answer	1

Q9. Is each of the following a major reason, a minor reason, or not a reason why you OR your family came to the U.S.?

	A reason (NET)	Major reason	Minor Reason	Not a reason	No answer
a. To join or accompany family members	56	42	14	41	3
b. To get away from unsafe or violent conditions	46	31	15	51	3
c. For better economic and job opportunities	87	75	13	11	2
e. For better educational opportunities	76	62	15	21	3
f. For a better future for your children	77	68	9	20	3
g. To have more rights and freedoms	67	50	17	29	3

Q10. Do you think each of the following are better or worse as a result of moving to the U.S., or are they about the same?

			About the		
	Better	Worse	same	No answer	
a. Your financial situation					
Total b. Educational opportunities for yourself or your children	78	5	16	1	n=3,358
Total	79	4	15	2	n=3,358
c. Your employment situation  Total e. Your safety	75	5	18	2	n=3,358
Total	65	11	23	1	n=3,358

#### Q11. Thinking about where you live now in the U.S., how much do you trust each of the following?

	A great deal/Fair			Not much/Not				
	amount (NET)	A great	A fair	at all	Not	Not at	No	
		deal	amount	(NET)	much	all	answer	
a. Your local schools								
Total	80	33	47	17	14	4	3	n=3,358
b. Your local police								
Total	84	39	45	15	11	4	1	n=3,358
<ul> <li>d. The government of the state where you live</li> </ul>								
Total	73	30	44	25	18	7	2	n=3,358
e. The U.S. government								
Total	70	27	44	28	20	8	1	n=3,358
f. The U.S. news media								
Total	51	13	38	47	29	18	2	n=3,358

Q12. If you could go back in time knowing what you know now, would you choose to move to the U.S.?

	Total
Yes	75
No	8
Not sure	17
No answer	*

Q13. Thinking about the future, do you want to move back to the country you were born in, stay in the U.S., move to a different country, or are you not sure?

	Total
Stay in the U.S.	60
Leave the U.S. (NET)	19
Move back to the country I was born in	12
Move to a different country	7
Not sure	21
No answer	*

Now turning to some questions about your living situation...

#### Q14. Is your home owned or rented?

	Total
Owned	59
Rented	41
No answer	1

#### Q15. How many people, age 18 or older, currently live at this address, including yourself?

	Total
1	11
2	45
3	22
4	13
5	6
6 or more	3
No answer	1

## Q16. How many children, under age 18, currently live with you?

	Total
None	55
1	17
2	17
3	6
4	3
5	1
6 or more	1
No answer	1

### Q17. Please indicate if each of the following currently live with you. Select all that apply.

Based on those who have more than one person in the household

	Total	
Your spouse or partner	75	_
Your children or stepchildren	57	
Your or your spouse's siblings	7	
Your or your spouse's parents	11	
Your or your spouse's grandparents	*	
Your grandchildren or great-grandchildren	5	
Extended family, such as aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, and nephews	6	
Friends or roommates	8	
No answer	1	

#### MULTIGENHH VARIABLE

	Total
Lives in multigenerational HH (lives with grandparents or grandchildren, or	
with both their parents and their children)	9
Does not live in multigenerational HH	90
No answer	1

#### NUCLEARHH VARIABLE

	Total
Yes, lives only with nuclear family	80
No, does not live only with nuclear family	20

Q18. Are you currently having any serious problems with not having enough space for you (and your family) in the house or apartment where you are living?

Based on those who have more than one person in the household

	Total
Yes	14
No	86
No answer	*

Q19. Are you currently having any serious problems with the safety of your housing, like unsafe drinking water, mold or lead, heating, cooling, plumbing, or electrical problems, or any other serious problems?

	Total
Yes	9
No	91
No answer	*

Q20. In the past 12 months, have you or someone living with you had problems paying for each of the following?

	Yes	No	No answer
a. Rent or mortgage			
Total b. Food	17	82	1
Total c. Health care	17	83	1
Total e. Utilities or other bills	20	79	1
Total	22	78	1

Now turning to questions about health care...

Q21. What kind of place in the U.S. do you usually call or go to when you are sick or need advice about your health?

Total
82
43
30
3
2
*
2
2
18
8
1
1
10

Q22. Do you have a doctor or other medical provider in the U.S. who you trust to answer questions about your own health?

	Total
Yes	74
No	26
No answer	*

Q23. In general, would you say your health is:

	Total
Excellent/Very good (NET)	47
Excellent	15
Very good	32
Good	32
Fair/Poor (NET)	21
Fair	18
Poor	3
No answer	*

Q24. Do you or any family member living with you have a health condition that requires ongoing medical treatment?

	Total
Health condition in household (NET)	40
Yes, myself	14
Yes, another family member living with me	18
Yes, myself and another family member living with me	8
No	59
No answer	1

Q25. Have you received or tried to get any medical care services since living in the U.S., including a visit to a doctor, hospital, clinic, or other medical provider?

	Total
Yes	84
No	15
No answer	*

Q26. Since coming to the U.S., have you ever felt that a doctor or health provider treated you differently or unfairly because of each of the following?

Based on those who received or tried to receive health care services since living in the U.S. or don't know/refused/web blank

	Yes	No	No answer	
a. Your health insurance status or ability to pay for care	16	84	1	n=2,864
b. Your accent or how well you speak English	15	85	1	n=2,864
c. Your race, ethnic background, or skin color	13	86	1	n=2,864

Based on those who received or tried to receive health care services since living in the U.S. or don't know/refused

	Total
At least one form of discrimination by health professional (yes to Q26a, Q26b, or Q26c)	25
No form of discrimination by health professional	74
No answer	1
	N=2,864

#### Q25/Q26 Combo table

	Total	
Have received or tried to receive health care services since living in the U.S. or		
don't know/refused	85	
At least one form of discrimination by health professional (yes to Q26a, b,		
or c)	21	
No form of discrimination by health professional	63	
No answer	1	
No, have not received or tried to receive health care services since living in		
the U.S.	15	

Q27. About how long has it been since you last saw a doctor or other medical provider about your health? This could include routine or emergency visits and includes both telehealth and in-person care.

	Total
Within the past year	77
More than 1 year (NET)	22
1-2 years	14
3-4 years	4
5 years	1
6-10 years	1
More than 10 years	2
No answer	1

Q28. Which of the following is your main source of health insurance, if any?

	Total
Do not currently have health insurance	15
Covered by health insurance (NET)	83
Plan through your or a family member's employer	39
Plan you purchased from an insurance company or a state or federal marketplace like	
healthcare.gov	11
Medicare, the government health insurance program for people 65 and older and some	
younger people with disabilities	14
Medicaid, the government health insurance program for people with lower incomes	17
Military/VA	*
Something else	2
No answer	2

	Yes	No	No answer
a. Cut pills in half, skipped doses of a medicine, or decided not			
to fill a prescription because you couldn't afford the cost			
Total	9	91	*
b. Traveled outside of the U.S. to receive health or dental care			
Total	10	89	1
c. Purchased prescription medications from outside of the U.S.			
Total	10	89	1
d. Skipped or postponed dental care because you couldn't			
afford the cost			
Total	30	70	*

Q30. In the past 12 months, have you skipped or postponed getting health care services for any reason?

	Total
Yes	22
No	77
No answer	1

Q31. Was each of the following a reason you skipped or postponed getting health care services in the past 12 months?

Items a-c: Based on those who postponed or skipped getting health care services in the past 12 months
Item d: Based on those who postponed or skipped getting health care services in the past 12 months and completed the survey in a non-English language

	Yes	No	No answer	
a. You could not afford the cost, or you didn't have insurance	69	30	1	n=708
b. You could not find services at a time or location that worked for you	49	50	1	n=708
c. You did not know where to go or how to find the services you needed	39	60	1	n=708
d. You could not speak to someone in your preferred language, or you could not get an interpreter	25	72	3	n=185

#### Q30/Q31 Combo table

	Total
Skipped or postponed care because they could not afford the cost, or they didn't have insurance	15
Skipped or postponed care because they could not find services at a time or location that worked for them	10
Skipped or postponed care because they did not know where to go or how to find the services they needed	8
Skipped or postponed care because they could not speak to someone in their preferred language,	
or they could not	1
get an interpreter	
No, did not skip or postpone getting health care services	77
No answer	1

## Q32. Did your health get worse because you skipped or postponed care?

Based on those postponed or skipped getting health care services in the past 12 months

	Total
Yes	40
No	59
No answer	1
	n=708

#### Q30/Q32 Combo table

	Total
Yes, skipped or postponed getting health care services	22
Yes, health got worse	9
No, health did not get worse	13
No answer	*
No, did not skip or postpone getting health care services	77
No answer	1
	n=3,358

#### Q33. Please say if you have had any of the following experiences when getting or attempting to get heath care in the U.S.:

Items a-d: Based on those who received or tried to receive health care services since living in the U.S.

Item e: Based on those who received or tried to receive health care services since living in the U.S. and completed the survey in a non-English language

	Yes	No	No answer	
a. Difficulty finding a health care provider who will take your insurance or one who will see you if you don't have insurance	20	79	1	n=2,855
b. A health care provider not taking the time to listen or ignoring your concerns	17	82	1	n=2,855
c. A health care provider not explaining things in a way you could understand	15	84	1	n=2,855
d. Front desk staff at a doctor's office, hospital, or clinic treating you with disrespect	12	87	1	n=2,855
e. Interpretation services not being available or not being provided in a timely manner	18	80	3	n=696

#### Q33 ANY VARIABLE

	Total
Has had any Q33 health care difficulties	31
Has not had any Q33 health care difficulties	53
Has not tried to get care in U.S.	16
No answer	1
	n=3.358

In this survey, we use the word "immigrant" to refer to anyone living in the U.S. who was born in another country. This may include people who are naturalized U.S. citizens, those with visas or green cards, as well as those without legal authorization to live in the U.S.

#### Q34. Do you feel most people in the following places are welcoming to immigrants?

	Yes	No	Not sure	No answer
a. In your neighborhood	67	7	25	*
b. In your state	59	15	26	1
c. In other parts of the U.S.	25	26	48	1

Q35. Do you feel that the COVID-19 pandemic has changed the way you have been treated as an immigrant in the U.S.?

	Total
Changed (NET)	17
Yes, changed in a good way	5
Yes, changed in a bad way	12
No, COVID-19 has not made a difference in how I am treated	62
Not sure	20
No answer	1

Q36. Have you ever felt you received worse treatment than people born in the U.S. in the following situations?

	Yes	No	No answer
a. In a store or restaurant	27	72	1
b. In interactions with the police	21	77	2
c. When buying or renting a home	17	81	2

#### Q36\_ANY VARIABLE

	Total
Has received worse treatment in any Q36 situation	38
Has not received worse treatment in any Q36 situation	61
No answer	2

Q37. Since moving to the U.S., have you ever experienced each of the following?

	Yes	No	No answer
a. Been criticized or insulted for speaking a language other than			
English	34	65	1
b. Been told that you should "go back to where you came from"	33	66	1

Now, turning to some questions about your employment situation.

Q38. Are you currently employed for pay, including working for an employer, doing odd jobs, or working for yourself or a family business?

	Total
Yes	66
No	33
No answer	1

#### Q45. What best describes your current situation?

## Based on those who are not employed

	Total
Unemployed	17
Retired	40
A homemaker or stay at home parent	20
A student	7
On disability and can't work	7
Something else	6
No answer	2
	n=1107

#### **EMPLOY VARIABLE**

	Total
Unemployed	6
Retired	13
Homemaker	7
Student	2
On disability	2
Something else	2
Employed	66
No answer	2

## Q39. Are you self-employed or the owner of a business?

## Based on those who are employed

	Total
Yes	25
No	75
No answer	*
	n=2,226

#### EMPLOYSELF VARIABLE

	Total
Self-employed	16
Employed, not self	49
Not employed	33
No answer	1

## Based on those who are employed

	Total
Accountant	2
Agriculture	1
Analyst	1
Business owner	2
Caregiver	3
Cleaning/housekeeping/janitor	4
Construction/contracting	6
Consultant	1
Design/art/graphic design	1
Doctor/physician/therapist	2
Driver/transportation	5
Education/teacher/professor	4
Engineer	5
Financial services/banking/investments	1
Food service/chef/waitstaff/restaurant	6
Gardening/landscaping	2
Government	1
Hair/beauty/makeup	1
Healthcare (unspecified)	1
Healthcare assistant/tech/support staff	2
House painting	1
Human Resources/HR	1
Information Technology/IT	3
Installation/technician/carpets/windows/HVAC	2
Insurance	*
Legal/law/lawyer/paralegal	1
Maintenance/repairs	1
Manager/management/executive	5
Manufacturing/factory/production	2
Mechanic	2
Nurse/CNA/RN	3
Packing/packaging	*
Quality control/assurance	1
Real estate	2
Research	2
Retail/sales	5
Sewing/tailor	1
Software developer	1
Warehouse/distribution	3
Worker/laborer	2
Personal services	1
Office jobs (unspecified)	1
Tech (unspecified)	*
Clerk/Notary	*
Military	*
Hospitality	*
Other	10
No answer	2
	n=2,226

## Based on those who are employed

	Total
Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, and Media	1
Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance	5
Business and Financial Operations	5
Community and Social Service	3
Computer and Mathematical	1
Construction	13
Educational Instruction and Library	4
Farming	1
Food Preparation and Serving Related	6
Government	1
Health care	8
Legal	1
Management	7
Office and Administrative Support	6
Personal Care and Service	2
Production	8
Research	1
Sales	10
Transportation and Material Moving	5
Other	11
No answer	2
	n=2,226

## Q41\_REC VARIABLE. How many hours do you work in an average week?

	Total
Less than 10 hours	9
10-19 hours	3
20-34 hours	8
35-49 hours	35
50+ hours	11
Not employed for pay	33
No answer	1

## Q42. Which of the following describes how you get paid at work? Select all that apply.

## Based on those who are employed

	Total
Hourly rate	52
Salary	32
By the job	15
Some other way	4
No answer	*
	n=2,226

#### Q43. Thinking about your current job compared to your skills and education, would you say you are:

#### Based on those who are employed

	Total	
Overqualified: you have more skills and education than the job requires	27	
Have the right qualifications	68	
Underqualified: you have less skills and education than the job requires	4	
No answer	1	
	n=2.226	

#### Q44. Please say if the following have ever happened to you at **ANY** job you have held in the U.S.:

## Based on those who are employed

	Yes	No	No answer	
a. You were paid less than people born in the U.S. for doing the				n=2,226
same job	29	69	2	
b. You were not paid for all the hours you worked or not given				n=2,226
overtime pay that you were eligible for	22	78	*	
c. You were given worse shifts or had less control over your	17	82	1	n=2,226
work hours than people born in the U.S. doing the same job				
d You were given fewer opportunities for promotions or raises				n=2,226
compared to people born in the U.S. doing the same job	32	67	1	
e. You were harassed or threatened by someone at your place				n=2,226
of work because you are an immigrant	12	88	*	

#### Q44ANY VARIABLE

	Total
Discriminated against at least one way at work	47
Not discriminated against in any way at work	53
No answer	-
	n=2,226

## Q46. Which best describes your family's financial situation?

	Total
You are able to pay all of your bills and have some money left over each	h
month	47
You are just able to pay your bills each month	37
You have difficulty paying your bills each month	15
No answer	1

	Total
No, do not money	55
Yes, sends money (NET)	45
Send money occasionally or when I'm able	35
Regularly send a small share of the money that is left after paying household expenses	8
Regularly send a large share of the money that is left over after paying household	
expenses	2
No answer	1

Q48. In the past 12 months, did you or anyone living with you receive government assistance that helps lower income people pay for food, housing, or health care, such as food stamps, housing assistance, or Medicaid?

	Total
Yes	28
No	71
No answer	1

Q49. Do you speak a language other than English at home?

	Total
No, English only	24
Yes, another language	75

Q50. How well would you say you speak English?

Based on those speak another language at home or don't know/refused

	Total
Very well	35
Does not speak English very well (NET)	64
Well	34
Not well	22
Not at all	9
No answer	*
	n=2,589

#### ENGLISH\_PROF VARIABLE

	Total
Speaks English exclusively/Speaks English very well (NET)	51
Speaks English less than very well (NET)	49
No answer	*

Q51. Has difficulty speaking or understanding English EVER made it hard for you to do each of the following?

Based on those who speak English less than very well

	Yes	No	No answer	
a. Get health care services	31	68	*	n=1,635
b. Receive services in a store or restaurant	30	69	*	n=1,635
c. Apply for government financial help with food, housing, or	25	74	1	n=1,635
health coverage				
d. Get or keep a job	29	70	1	n=1,635
e. Report a crime or get help from the police	22	77	2	n=1,635

Next, thinking about U.S. immigration laws and policies...

Q52. Do you feel the immigration system in the U.S. has generally treated you and your family fairly or unfairly?

	Total
Fairly	84
Unfairly	14
No answer	2

Q53. Do you think the U.S. is too tough in enforcing immigration laws, not tough enough, or is enforcement about right, or are you not sure?

	Total
Too tough	19
Not tough enough	18
About right	27
Not sure	35
No answer	1

Q54. Do you think each of the following is a good idea or a bad idea?

	Good idea	Bad idea	No answer
a. Allowing undocumented immigrants to sign up for health			
insurance provided by the government	59	37	4
b. Allowing undocumented immigrants who were brought to			
the U.S. as children to apply for citizenship	79	18	2

Q55. Do you feel you have enough information about U.S. immigration policy to understand how it affects you and your family, or do you not have enough information?

	Total
Have enough information	53
Do not have enough information	45
No answer	2

Q56. If you had a question about U.S. immigration policy, where is the first place you would go for information? (Please select one.)

	Total	
An internet search engine like Google	36	-
A U.S. government website	34	
News media, such as television, radio, and newspapers	4	
Social media or apps like Twitter, Facebook, WhatsApp, YouTube, TikTok, or		
WeChat	2	
A family member or a friend	4	
An attorney or other professional	16	
Somewhere else	2	
No answer	3	

Q57. Regardless of your own immigration or citizenship status, do you ever worry that you or a family member could be detained or deported?

	Total
Yes	26
No	73
No answer	1

Q58. Have you ever avoided things like talking to the police, applying for a job, or traveling because you didn't want to draw attention to your immigration status or the immigration status of someone in your family?

	Total
Yes	14
No	86
No answer	1

Q59. In the past 12 months, have you avoided applying for a government program that helps pay for food, housing, or health care because you didn't want to draw attention to your immigration status or the immigration status of someone in your family?

	Total
Yes	8
No	91
No answer	1

Q60. As far as you know, if someone who is an immigrant uses government programs that help pay for health care, housing, or food, will this decrease their chances of being approved for a green card?

	Total
Yes	16
No	25
Not sure	58
No answer	*

Now turning to questions about U.S. politics...

Q61. How much attention would you say you pay to politics and government in the U.S.?

	Total
A lot/Fair amount (NET)	62
A lot	17
A fair amount	45
Not much/None at all (NET)	37
Not much	27
None at all	9
No answer	1

Q62. Which U.S. political party better represents your political views?

	Total
The Republican Party	16
The Democratic Party	32
Neither party	25
Not sure	27
No answer	1

Q63. How well do you think each of the following represents the interests of immigrants?

				Not				
				too/Not	Not			
	Very/Somewhat	Very	Somewhat	at all well	too	Not at	Not	No
	well (NET)	well	well	(NET)	well	all well	sure	answer
a. The Republican Party	20	6	14	45	18	27	33	3
b. The Democratic party	46	13	33	22	12	10	31	2

Q64. Do you think immigrants in the U.S. were better off under President Trump or are better off under President Biden, or do es it make no difference?

	Total
Better off under Trump	16
Better off under Biden	33
Makes no difference	47

CHILD VARIABLE. Are you the parent or guardian of any child under the age of 18 living with you?

	Total
Parent of a child under 18 living with them	35
Not a parent of a child under 18 living with them	64
No answer	*

For this next set of questions, we'd like to know about your children under age 18 living with you.

Q66. Were any of your children born in the U.S.?

Based on those who are parents of a child under 18 living with them

	Total
Yes	85
No	15
No answer	*
	n=1,129

#### Child/Q66 Combo Table

	Total
Yes, parent or guardian of any child under the age of 18 living with you	35
Any children born in the U.S.	30
No children born in the U.S.	5
No answer	*
No, are not a parent or guardian of any child under the age of 18 living with	
you	64
No answer	*

Q67. In the past 12 months, did any of your children miss, delay, or skip any of the following because they didn't have insurance or you couldn't afford the cost? (Select all that apply.)

Based on those who are parents of a child under 18 living with them

	Yes	No	No answer	
a. Health care	7	84	9	n=1,129
b. Dental care	10	81	9	n=1,129

Q68. Have any of your children received a well-child visit or check-up in the past 12 months?

Based on those who are parents of a child under 18 living with them

	Total
Yes	83
No	16
No answer	*
	n=1.129

Q69. Are any of your children (INSERT ITEM)?

Based on those who are parents of a child under 18 living with them

	Yes	No	No answer	
a. Uninsured, that is, not covered by health	9	89	1	n=1.129
insurance	-			/
b. Covered by Medicaid or the Children's Health	49	50	1	n=1.129
Insurance Program	43	30		11-1,129

Q70. In general, how would you rate the job your children's school is doing?

Based on those who are parents of a child living in the household

	Total
Excellent/Good (NET)	73
Excellent	35
Good	38
Fair/Poor (NET)	17
Fair	15
Poor	3
No children currently attending school	9
No answer	*
	n=1,129

#### KIDINSCHOOL VARIABLE.

Based on those who are parents of a child under 18 living with them

	Total
Has a child in school	91
Child not currently in school	9
	n=1,129

Q71. Has difficulty speaking or understanding English EVER made it hard for you to communicate with your child's school or te acher?

Based on those who speak English less than very well and are parents of a child under 18 living with them who is in school

	lotal
Yes	24
No	76
No answer	1
	n=529

Now a few questions we will use to describe the people who took part in our survey. Please remember, we understand and respect that this information is private, we ask only for research purposes, and all your answers are recorded confidentially.

#### Q72. Are you a U.S. citizen?

	Total
Yes, citizen	58
No, not citizen	41
No answer	1

Q73. Do you currently have a green card (lawful permanent status) or a valid work or student visa?

Based on those who are not U.S. Citizens

	Total
Yes	66
No	34
No answer	*
	n=1,196

	Total
Citizen	58
Has a valid visa or green card	27
No green card/valid visa	14
No answer	1

Q74. Is there anyone else living with you who is NOT a U.S. citizen?

	Total
Yes	28
No	71
No answer	1

Q75. Is there anyone living with you who does NOT have a green card, that is lawful permanent status, or a valid work or student visa?

Based on those who have someone else living with them who is not a U.S. citizen

	Total
Yes	25
No	74
No answer	1
	n=884

#### HHCITIZENSHIP2 VARIABLE

	Total
All household citizens	49
At least one in household with green card or valid visa	33
No one in HH has green card/valid visa	17
No answer	1

Q76. Do you describe yourself as a man, a woman, or in some other way?

	Total
Man	47
Woman	50
Some other way	2
No answer	1

## AGE. What is your age?

AGE2. (ASK IF DON'T KNOW OR REFUSED AGE) Could you please tell me if you are between the ages of...

#### **RECAGE2 VARIABLE**

	Total
18-29	13
30-49	41
50-64	27
65+	19
No answer	1

	Total
Came to U.S. as child	32
Came to U.S. as adult 18+	64
No answer	4

#### Q78. In 2022, what was your total household income from all sources, before taxes?

	Total
Less than \$20,000	16
\$20,000 to less than \$30,000	14
\$30,000 to less than \$40,000	11
\$40,000 to less than \$50,000	9
\$50,000 to less than \$75,000	13
\$75,000 to less than \$90,000	7
\$90,000 to less than \$100,000	5
\$100,000 or more	21
No answer	3

#### Q79. Do you currently have a bank account, like a checking account or a savings account?

	Total
Yes	86
No	14
No answer	1

## Q80. What describes your racial and ethnic background? (Select all that apply.)

	Total	
Hispanic or Latino (such as Mexican, Brazilian, Cuban, or some other Latin		
American background)	43	
Black or African American or Afro-Latino	9	
Asian or Pacific Islander (such as Chinese, Vietnamese, Korean, Filipino,		
Indian, Samoan, or some other Asian or Pacific Islander background)	28	
Middle Eastern or North African (such as Lebanese or Egyptian)	4	
White (such as European)	18	
Other (Please specify.)	*	
No answer	1	

#### Q81. What is your marital status?

	Total
Married	60
Living with a partner	9
Widowed	4
Divorced	7
Separated	3
Never been married	17
No answer	*

Q82. What is the highest level of school you have completed or the highest degree you have received? (Please include education completed in the U.S. and/or other countries)

	Total
Did not graduate high school	21
High school graduate with a diploma	23
Some college (including an associate's degree)	20
University degree (Bachelor's degree)	18
Post-graduate degree (such as Master's, PhD, MD, JD)	16
No answer	2

Q5. In a few words, what is the biggest concern facing you and your family right now? (Open-ended)

Based on total who participated online or by mail and those who participated by telephone April 10 - May 19, 2023

	Total
Financial/economic/bills	36
Health/medical	7
Safety	7
Work/having a job	5
Immigration status	4
Politics/political division	4
Affordability of housing	3
Education/school	2
Retirement	2
Racism/bigotry/discrimination	1
Housing availability	1
The future/direction we're heading	1
Affording food	1
Separation from family/friends	1
War	1
Housing/Community	*
Food	*
Culture	*
Language	*
Climate change	*
None/no concerns	15
Other	6
No answer	2
	n=2,659

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Opportunities/Better life/future	31
Education	13
Jobs/work	10
Freedom/independence	9
Family	9
Financial/economy	7
Safety/less crime/violence	5
Diversity	1
Health care	1
Citizen/Always lived here/ N/A	*
Other	9
No answer	5
	n=2,659



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