Californians and Their Government

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- PPIC Survey series on state and national issues since 1999
- Public perceptions, attitudes, and policy preferences
- Telephone interviews, May 12–22, 2022
 - 74% cell phone, 26% landline
 - 1,702 adults, ± 3.9% margin of error
 - 1,179 likely voters, ± 4.9% margin of error

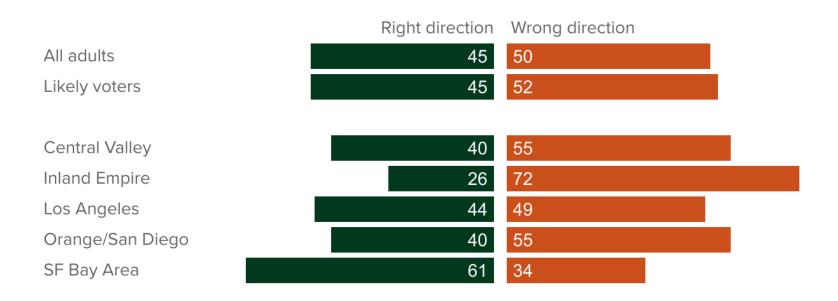


Economy and inflation named as top issue for Californians

	Jobs, economy, inflation	Housing costs; housing availability	Homelessness	Gasoline prices, oil prices	Water, water availability, drought
All adults	27	12	11	7	6
Likely voters	24	13	11	6	7
Central Valley	25	7	7	14	7
Inland Empire	35	8	13	7	3
Los Angeles	22	13	16	5	6
Orange/San Diego	29	16	6	9	6
SF Bay Area	27	11	13	3	6

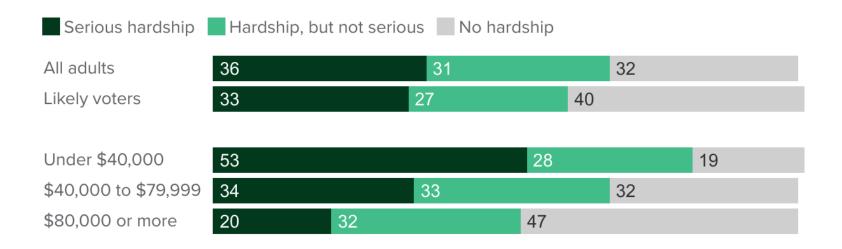


Californians are divided on whether the state is headed in the right direction or not



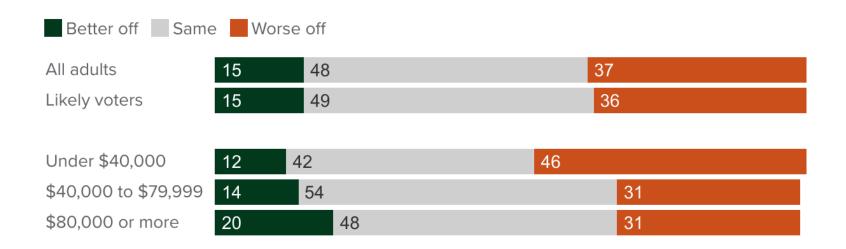


Most Californians say rising prices are causing financial hardship





Few Californians see their finances as better than they were a year ago





A record low share of Californians say the state budget situation is a big problem

 Percent saying big problem 100% 80 60 40 20 Jan '06 May '07 May '09 May '11 May '14 May '16 May '18 May '20 May '22

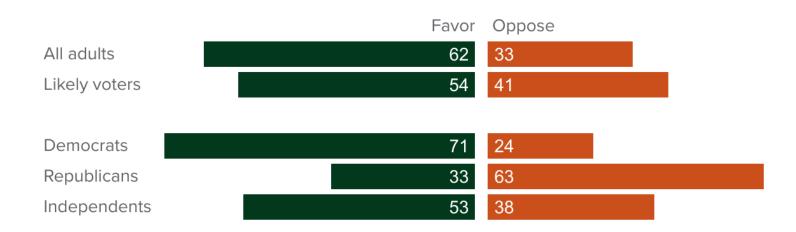


Californians are divided on what to do with surplus budget funds

Increase state One-time state Refund some of funding for spending for the money to the Build up the education, health transportation, people of reserve and human water. California services infrastructure All adults 33 27 22 13 32 26 24 15 Likely voters **Democrats** 42 21 21 12 36 23 Republicans 16 18 28 30 26 13 Independents

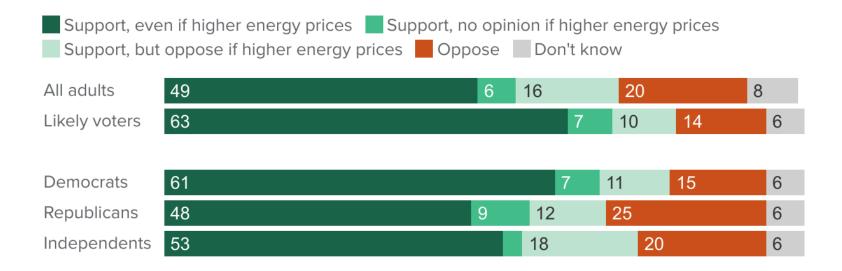


A solid majority favor Governor Newsom's plan to address inflation



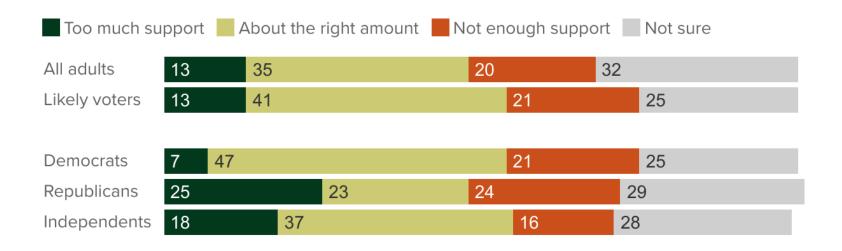


Most support sanctions on Russia, but feelings are mixed if it means higher energy prices



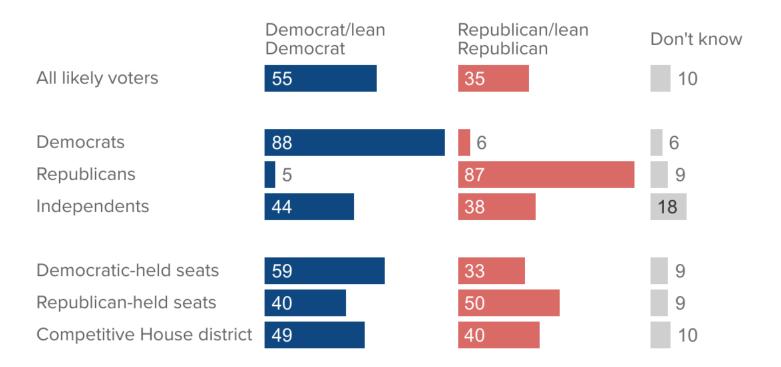


A plurality say the US is offering about the right amount of support to Ukraine



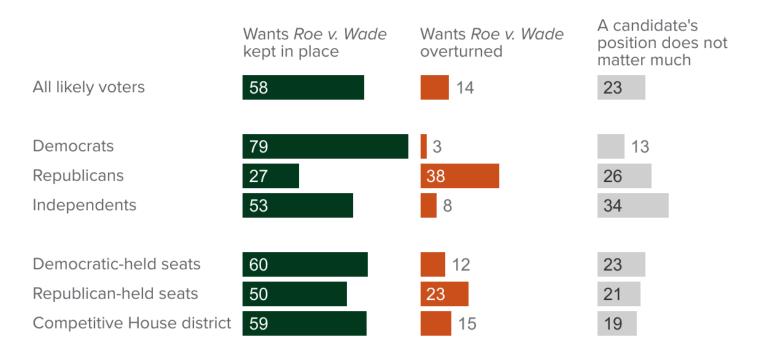


A majority of likely voters would vote for the Democratic candidate in the House election



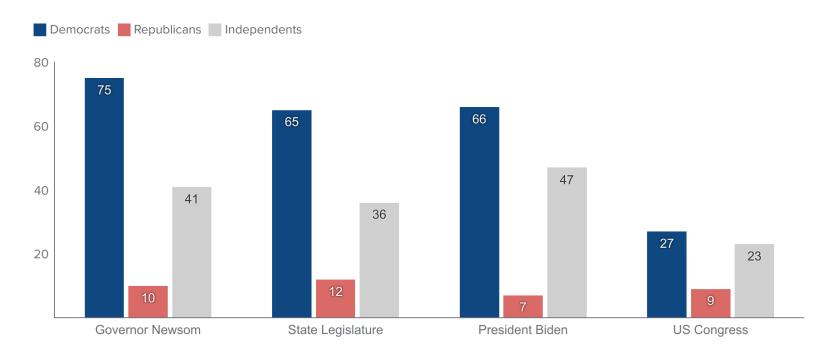


Most likely voters are more supportive of a candidate who wants *Roe v. Wade* kept in place





Partisans are divided on approval of state and federal elected officials





Other topics

- Views on whether the state is divided into haves and have-nots
- Perceptions of the initiative process in California
- Opinions on the direction and economic outlook of the US
- Perceived trust in the federal government
- Support for accepting refugees from Ukraine
- Attitudes toward protections given by the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program



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