Californians and Their Government

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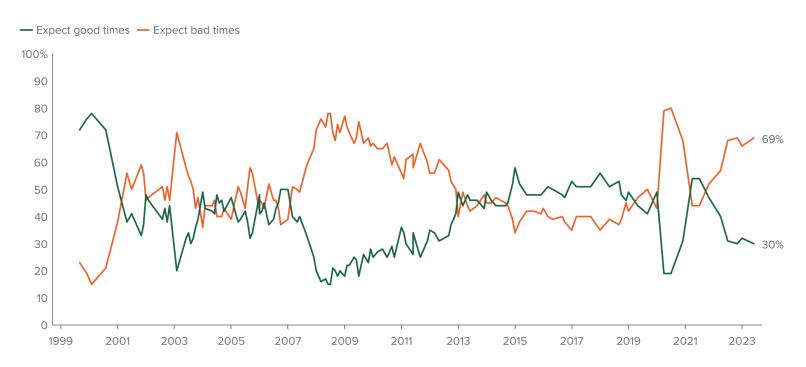
- 25th anniversary of the PPIC Statewide Survey
- Survey series on state and national issues
- Public perceptions, attitudes, and policy preferences
- Conducted online, May 17–24, 2023, using Ipsos KnowledgePanel
 - 1,576 adults, ± 3.2% margin of error
 - 1,062 likely voters, ± 3.9% margin of error

Jobs, economy, inflation, and homelessness named as top issues for Californians

	Jobs, economy, inflation	Homelessness	Housing costs, availability	Crime, gangs, drugs	Environment, pollution, climate change
All adults	27	16	11	7	6
Likely voters	25	17	13	7	8
Central Valley	29	16	6	6	5
Inland Empire	27	20	7	3	5
Los Angeles	28	20	9	9	6
Orange/San Diego	29	14	14	3	6
SF Bay Area	22	14	15	13	7

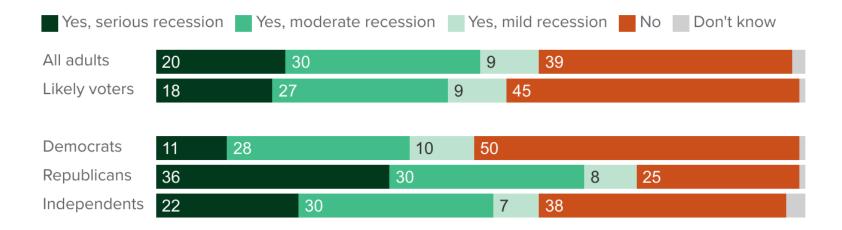


Pessimism about the state's economic outlook remains high



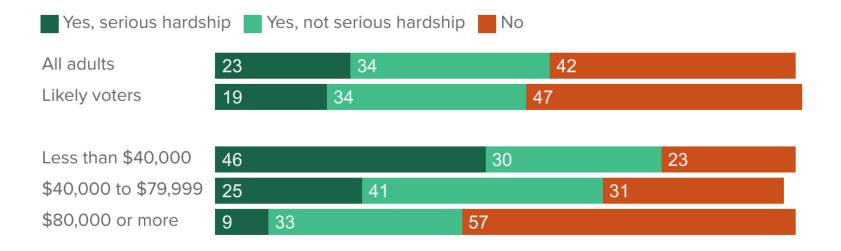


Many across the state think California is in a recession



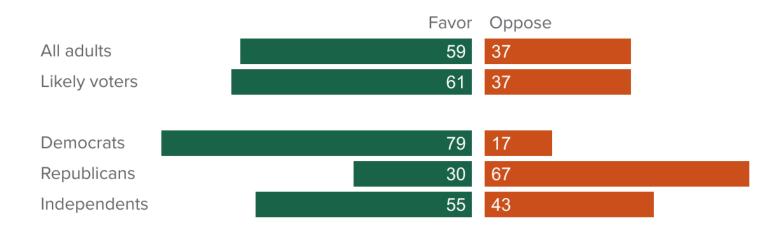


A majority of Californians have experienced financial hardships due to rising prices





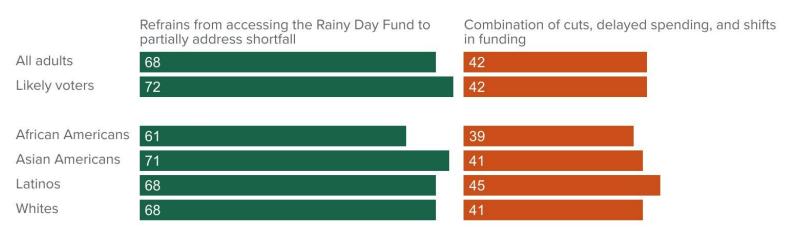
Most Californians favor Governor Newsom's revised budget plan





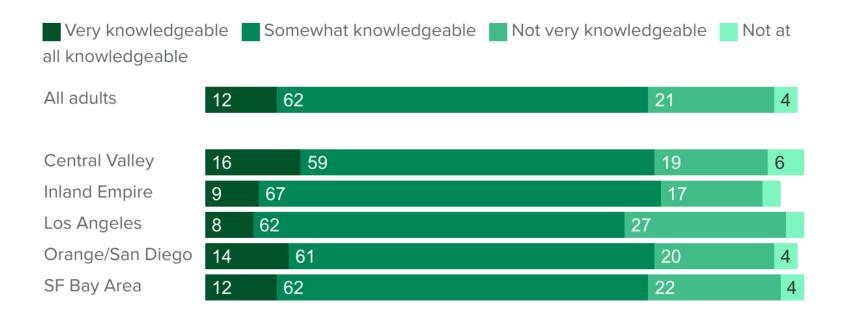
Views differ on two elements of the revised budget

% saying "good idea"



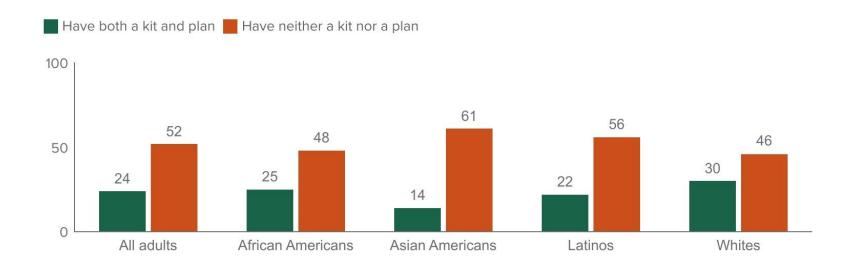


Most Californians have *some* knowledge about how to prepare for a disaster



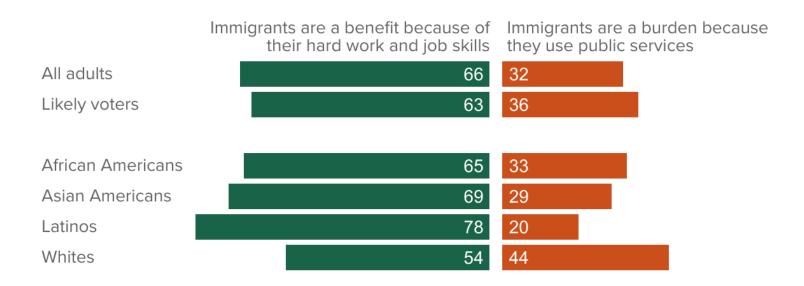


A slim majority of Californians have neither a disaster preparedness kit nor a plan





Most Californians continue to believe immigrants are a benefit to the state



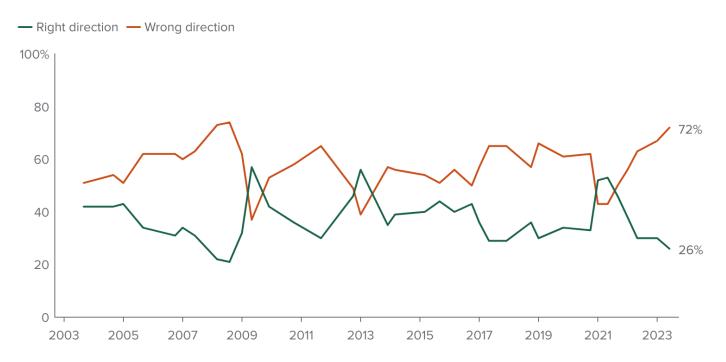


Strong majorities favor a path to citizenship and DACA protections

% favor Path to citizenship DACA protections Health care for undocumented immigrants 10 20 30 40 50 70 60 80 90 100 All adults Likely voters Democrats Republicans Independents

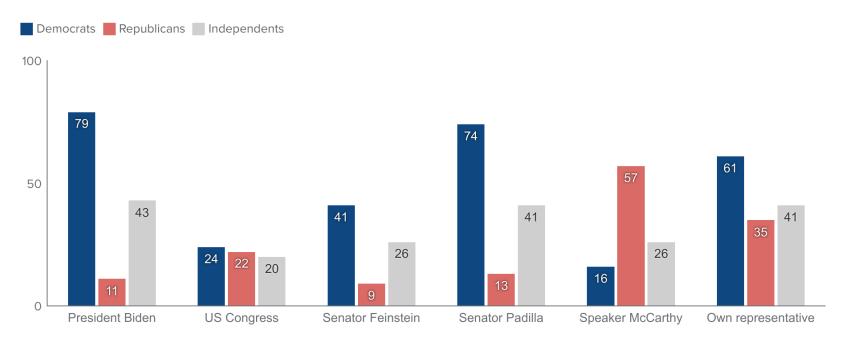


The share saying the US is going in the wrong direction is near a record high





Approval of federal leaders varies across partisan groups





Other topics

- Assessment of personal finances
- Attitudes toward CEQA reforms and housing affordability
- Opinions on K–12 education
- Californians' racial attitudes and the state's Reparations Task Force
- Views on California's referendum process
- Preferences for handling the federal debt limit



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