

Californians and Education

April 2024

Time Trends – All Respondents

Methodology Note:

Findings are based on a survey of 1,605 California adult residents, conducted online using the Ipsos KnowledgePanel. Interviews were conducted in English and Spanish according to the respondents' preferences. The median time to complete the survey was 19 minutes. Interviewing took place from March 19-25, 2024.

The sampling error, taking design effects from weighting into consideration, is ± 3.3 percent at the 95 percent confidence level for the total unweighted sample of 1,605 adults. This means that 95 times out of 100, the results will be within 3.3 percentage points of what they would be if all adults in California were interviewed. The sampling error for unweighted subgroups is larger. Sampling error is only one type of error to which surveys are subject. Results may also be affected by factors such as question wording, question order, and survey timing.

If you have any questions or require additional information regarding this survey, please contact surveys@ppic.org

Note:

For questions related to the 2024 election (Q67–Q74), please refer to the Public Time Trends–Likely Voters document.

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Q1. Do you approve or disapprove of the way
 that Governor Newsom is handling the state's
 kindergarten through 12th grade public
 education system?

| | Approve | Disapprove | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
|----------|---------|------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| Apr 2024 | 51% | 44% | 5% | 1590 |
| Apr 2022 | 60% | 36% | 4% | 1581 |
| Nov 2021 | 60% | 38% | 2% | 2281 |
| Apr 2021 | 57% | 41% | 3% | 1594 |
| Apr 2020 | 73% | 25% | 2% | 1630 |
| Apr 2019 | 53% | 38% | 9% | 1503 |

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Q2. Do you approve or disapprove of the way
 that the California Legislature is handling the
 state's kindergarten through 12th grade public
 education system?

| | Approve | Disapprove | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
|----------|---------|------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| Apr 2024 | 48% | 47% | 5% | 1596 |
| Apr 2022 | 56% | 40% | 4% | 1580 |
| Apr 2021 | 54% | 43% | 3% | 1596 |
| Apr 2020 | 69% | 29% | 2% | 1629 |
| Apr 2019 | 47% | 46% | 8% | 1505 |
| Apr 2018 | 42% | 38% | 20% | 1685 |
| Apr 2017 | 42% | 35% | 23% | 1683 |
| Apr 2016 | 42% | 39% | 19% | 1691 |
| Apr 2015 | 35% | 44% | 21% | 1690 |
| Apr 2014 | 32% | 45% | 23% | 1688 |
| Apr 2013 | 31% | 50% | 20% | 1691 |
| Apr 2012 | 22% | 56% | 22% | 1994 |
| Apr 2011 | 18% | 60% | 22% | 2478 |
| Apr 2010 | 15% | 67% | 18% | 2498 |
| Apr 2009 | 18% | 63% | 20% | 2495 |
| Apr 2008 | 21% | 61% | 18% | 2491 |
| Apr 2007 | 29% | 46% | 25% | 2482 |
| Apr 2006 | 21% | 55% | 24% | 2495 |

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Q4. Thinking about the kindergarten through 12th grade public education system overall in California today, do you think it is generally going in the right direction or the wrong direction? ?

| | Right direction | Wrong direction | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
|----------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------|
| Apr 2024 | 47% | 49% | 5% | 1597 |
| Apr 2022 | 57% | 39% | 4% | 1579 |
| Apr 2021 | 54% | 43% | 3% | 1597 |
| Apr 2020 | 62% | 35% | 2% | 1629 |
| Apr 2019 | 46% | 49% | 5% | 1507 |

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Q6. In your opinion, what is the most important goal of California's K-12 public schools?

| | Preparing students for college | Preparing students for the workforce | Teaching students the basics | Teaching students life skills | Preparing students to be good citizens | Other (Specify) |
|----------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|-----------------|
| Apr 2024 | 19% | 14% | 19% | 30% | 13% | 5% |
| Apr 2022 | 24% | 11% | 17% | 27% | 15% | 5% |
| Apr 2021 | 24% | 12% | 20% | 26% | 12% | 5% |
| Apr 2020 | 24% | 15% | 16% | 27% | 13% | 5% |
| Apr 2019 | 24% | 16% | 14% | 26% | 13% | 6% |
| Apr 2015 | 37% | 15% | 14% | 17% | 10% | 3% |
| Apr 2013 | 35% | 16% | 16% | 15% | 12% | 2% |
| Apr 2008 | 35% | 17% | 15% | 15% | 13% | 2% |
| Apr 2007 | 32% | 16% | 13% | 16% | 15% | 2% |
| Apr 2006 | 26% | 14% | 19% | 17% | 14% | 3% |

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Q6. In your opinion, what is the most important goal of California's K-12 public schools?

| | All of the above (vol) | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
|----------|------------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Apr 2024 | | 1% | 1598 |
| Apr 2022 | | 1% | 1585 |
| Apr 2021 | | 0% | 1600 |
| Apr 2020 | | 0% | 1631 |
| Apr 2019 | | 1% | 1510 |
| Apr 2015 | 3% | 2% | 1693 |
| Apr 2013 | 3% | 2% | 1697 |
| Apr 2008 | 3% | 2% | 2495 |
| Apr 2007 | 4% | 2% | 2490 |
| Apr 2006 | 6% | 2% | 2499 |

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| Q7. How much of a problem is the quality of education in California's K-12 public schools today? | | | | | |
|--|-------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------|--------------|
| | Big problem | Somewhat of a problem | Not much of a problem | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
| Apr 2024 | 32% | 53% | 13% | 2% | 1600 |
| Jun 2023 | 39% | 47% | 12% | 2% | 1572 |
| Apr 2022 | 32% | 52% | 14% | 1% | 1586 |
| Apr 2021 | 33% | 54% | 11% | 2% | 1600 |
| Apr 2020 | 27% | 56% | 16% | 1% | 1630 |
| Apr 2019 | 38% | 53% | 7% | 3% | 1511 |
| Apr 2016 | 40% | 32% | 24% | 4% | 1696 |
| Apr 2015 | 48% | 31% | 17% | 4% | 1697 |
| Apr 2014 | 50% | 31% | 15% | 4% | 1696 |
| Apr 2013 | 49% | 34% | 13% | 4% | 1701 |
| Apr 2012 | 58% | 29% | 9% | 4% | 2002 |
| Apr 2011 | 55% | 30% | 11% | 4% | 2496 |
| Apr 2010 | 53% | 32% | 11% | 4% | 2500 |
| Apr 2009 | 51% | 32% | 12% | 5% | 2496 |
| Apr 2008 | 53% | 31% | 12% | 4% | 2499 |
| Apr 2007 | 52% | 28% | 15% | 5% | 2497 |
| Apr 2006 | 58% | 27% | 11% | 4% | 2500 |
| Apr 2005 | 52% | 30% | 12% | 6% | 2499 |
| Oct 2002 | 48% | 37% | 10% | 5% | 1966 |
| Dec 2001 | 51% | 32% | 13% | 4% | 1971 |
| Jul 2001 | 49% | 30% | 12% | 8% | 1989 |
| Jan 2001 | 52% | 32% | 10% | 6% | 1979 |
| Jan 2000 | 53% | 30% | 13% | 4% | 1987 |
| May 1998 | 46% | 33% | 14% | 7% | 2000 |

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Q8. Over the past few years, do you think the quality of education in California's K-12 public schools has improved, gotten worse, or stayed the same?

| | Improved | Gotten worse | Stayed the same | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
|----------|----------|--------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------|
| Apr 2024 | 13% | 47% | 36% | 4% | 1601 |
| Jun 2023 | 7% | 57% | 35% | 2% | 1570 |
| Apr 2022 | 13% | 42% | 42% | 3% | 1585 |
| Apr 2021 | 12% | 44% | 42% | 2% | 1598 |
| Apr 2020 | 20% | 35% | 43% | 1% | 1631 |
| Apr 2011 | 11% | 54% | 29% | 6% | 2499 |

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Q9. Overall, do you think the K-12 public education system in California is in need of major changes, minor changes, or that it is basically fine the way it is?

| | Major changes | Minor changes | Fine the way it is | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
|----------|---------------|---------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Apr 2024 | 50% | 40% | 8% | 3% | 1597 |
| Apr 2020 | 46% | 44% | 9% | 1% | 1631 |
| Apr 2010 | 62% | 28% | 7% | 3% | 2497 |
| Apr 2009 | 58% | 31% | 7% | 4% | 2492 |
| Apr 2008 | 59% | 30% | 8% | 3% | 2497 |
| Apr 2007 | 57% | 30% | 9% | 4% | 2498 |

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Q13. How concerned are you that California's K-12 public schools in lower-income areas have a shortage of good teachers compared to schools in wealthier areas?
Are you...

| | Very concerned | Somewhat concerned | Not too concerned | Not at all concerned | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
|----------|----------------|--------------------|-------------------|----------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Apr 2024 | 39% | 42% | 14% | 3% | 2% | 1597 |
| Apr 2022 | 49% | 36% | 10% | 3% | 1% | 1587 |
| Apr 2021 | 43% | 40% | 10% | 6% | 1% | 1599 |
| Apr 2020 | 37% | 44% | 14% | 4% | 1% | 1630 |
| Apr 2019 | 46% | 39% | 11% | 4% | 1% | 1510 |
| Apr 2016 | 53% | 31% | 8% | 7% | 1% | 1690 |
| Apr 2015 | 57% | 27% | 8% | 6% | 2% | 1692 |
| Apr 2014 | 57% | 28% | 8% | 6% | 1% | 1696 |
| Apr 2013 | 52% | 30% | 9% | 7% | 3% | 1692 |
| Apr 2012 | 64% | 23% | 8% | 4% | 1% | 2000 |
| Apr 2011 | 65% | 24% | 5% | 5% | 1% | 2487 |
| Apr 2010 | 60% | 28% | 6% | 4% | 2% | 2500 |
| Apr 2008 | 54% | 31% | 8% | 5% | 2% | 2496 |
| Apr 2007 | 54% | 31% | 7% | 6% | 2% | 2496 |
| Apr 2006 | 57% | 29% | 6% | 5% | 2% | 2495 |

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Q14. How concerned are you that California's K-12 public school students in lower-income areas are less likely than other students to be ready for college when they finish high school? Are you...

| | Very concerned | Somewhat concerned | Not too concerned | Not at all concerned | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
|----------|----------------|--------------------|-------------------|----------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Apr 2024 | 34% | 45% | 15% | 4% | 2% | 1597 |
| Apr 2022 | 45% | 40% | 12% | 3% | 1% | 1587 |
| Apr 2021 | 43% | 39% | 11% | 6% | 1% | 1598 |
| Apr 2020 | 37% | 43% | 14% | 5% | 1% | 1631 |
| Apr 2019 | 43% | 41% | 12% | 4% | 1% | 1510 |
| Apr 2016 | 53% | 33% | 7% | 6% | 1% | 1697 |
| Apr 2015 | 59% | 28% | 7% | 5% | 1% | 1699 |
| Apr 2014 | 59% | 27% | 9% | 5% | 1% | 1701 |
| Apr 2013 | 56% | 29% | 9% | 5% | 1% | 1696 |
| Apr 2011 | 61% | 28% | 6% | 4% | 1% | 2501 |
| Apr 2010 | 61% | 28% | 6% | 4% | 1% | 2501 |

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Q15. Next, how much, if anything, have you heard about students who are English language learners in California?

| | A lot | A little | Nothing at all | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
|----------|-------|----------|----------------|------------------|--------------|
| Apr 2024 | 17% | 48% | 34% | 1% | 1600 |
| Apr 2022 | 20% | 44% | 35% | 0% | 1588 |
| Apr 2021 | 17% | 42% | 40% | 0% | 1600 |
| Apr 2020 | 19% | 49% | 32% | 0% | 1631 |

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| Q16. How concerned are you about the issue of improving student outcomes for the English language learners in California today? Are you... | | | | | | |
|--|----------------|--------------------|-------------------|----------------------|------------------|--------------|
| | Very concerned | Somewhat concerned | Not too concerned | Not at all concerned | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
| Apr 2024 | 20% | 47% | 25% | 6% | 1% | 1598 |
| Apr 2022 | 26% | 47% | 20% | 6% | 1% | 1586 |
| Apr 2021 | 21% | 48% | 22% | 8% | 1% | 1600 |
| Apr 2020 | 23% | 47% | 22% | 7% | 1% | 1631 |

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Q17. In thinking about priorities for the kindergarten through 12th grade public education system in California, do you think that efforts to improve student outcomes for English language learners should be a...?

| | Very high priority□ | High priority | Medium priority | Low priority | Very low priority | Don't know (vol) |
|----------|---------------------|---------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Apr 2024 | 13% | 33% | 40% | 10% | 3% | 2% |
| Apr 2022 | 16% | 39% | 38% | 5% | 2% | 1% |
| Apr 2021 | 14% | 38% | 35% | 9% | 4% | 1% |
| Apr 2020 | 15% | 37% | 38% | 7% | 3% | 1% |

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| | Unweighted n |
|----------|--------------|
| Apr 2024 | 1595 |
| Apr 2022 | 1584 |
| Apr 2021 | 1600 |
| Apr 2020 | 1630 |

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| Q18. How important is improving student outcomes for English language learners for California's future economic wellbeing and quality of life? | | | | | | |
|--|----------------|--------------------|-------------------|----------------------|------------------|--------------|
| | Very important | Somewhat important | Not too important | Not at all important | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
| Apr 2024 | 40% | 45% | 10% | 3% | 2% | 1597 |
| Apr 2022 | 47% | 42% | 8% | 2% | 1% | 1584 |
| Apr 2021 | 45% | 42% | 9% | 3% | 1% | 1600 |
| Apr 2020 | 43% | 45% | 9% | 3% | 1% | 1629 |

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Q19. If it means less funding for other school districts, do you think school districts that have more English language learners should or should not get more funding from the state?

| | Should | Should not | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
|----------|--------|------------|------------------|--------------|
| Apr 2024 | 53% | 44% | 3% | 1591 |
| Apr 2022 | 57% | 40% | 3% | 1580 |
| Apr 2021 | 59% | 40% | 2% | 1600 |
| Apr 2013 | 54% | 41% | 6% | 1700 |
| Apr 2012 | 51% | 42% | 7% | 1992 |

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Q20. To try to improve the academic performance of English language learners, would you favor or oppose providing extra assistance to these students, even if it means they receive more assistance than other students?

| | Favor | Oppose | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
|----------|-------|--------|------------------|--------------|
| Apr 2024 | 65% | 32% | 2% | 1590 |
| Apr 2022 | 70% | 28% | 2% | 1578 |
| Apr 2008 | 69% | 28% | 3% | 2494 |
| Apr 2007 | 73% | 23% | 4% | 2494 |

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Q21. Where do you think California currently ranks in per pupil spending for K-12 public schools?
 Compared to other states, is California's spending near the top, above average, average, below
 average, or near the bottom?

| | Near the top | Above average | Average | Below average | Near the bottom | Don't know (vol) |
|----------|--------------|---------------|---------|---------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Apr 2024 | 10% | 20% | 39% | 21% | 5% | 4% |
| Apr 2022 | 11% | 22% | 39% | 19% | 7% | 3% |
| Apr 2021 | 10% | 19% | 38% | 23% | 8% | 2% |
| Apr 2020 | 9% | 21% | 39% | 25% | 5% | 1% |
| Apr 2019 | 8% | 15% | 35% | 29% | 10% | 2% |
| Apr 2018 | 16% | 17% | 27% | 19% | 11% | 10% |
| Apr 2015 | 13% | 13% | 29% | 22% | 13% | 9% |
| Apr 2014 | 11% | 15% | 27% | 26% | 13% | 9% |
| Apr 2013 | 12% | 13% | 29% | 21% | 15% | 11% |
| Apr 2012 | 13% | 14% | 25% | 20% | 16% | 12% |
| Apr 2011 | 12% | 13% | 27% | 22% | 14% | 11% |
| Apr 2010 | 12% | 14% | 24% | 22% | 15% | 14% |
| Apr 2009 | 15% | 13% | 24% | 21% | 14% | 12% |
| Apr 2008 | 12% | 14% | 29% | 20% | 16% | 9% |
| Apr 2007 | 12% | 13% | 31% | 19% | 13% | 12% |
| Apr 2006 | 11% | 13% | 29% | 20% | 11% | 15% |
| Apr 2005 | 9% | 10% | 25% | 26% | 18% | 13% |
| Oct 2002 | 9% | 11% | 31% | 23% | 14% | 13% |
| Jan 2002 | 6% | 9% | 24% | 28% | 20% | 13% |
| Feb 2000 | 6% | 10% | 24% | 29% | 21% | 9% |
| Apr 1998 | 5% | 9% | 28% | 27% | 20% | 11% |

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| | Unweighted n |
|----------|-----------------|
| Apr 2024 | 1595 |
| Apr 2022 | 1585 |
| Apr 2021 | 1601 |
| Apr 2020 | 1630 |
| Apr 2019 | 1508 |
| Apr 2018 | 1702 |
| Apr 2015 | 1698 |
| Apr 2014 | 1697 |
| Apr 2013 | 1701 |
| Apr 2012 | 2002 |
| Apr 2011 | 2501 |
| Apr 2010 | 2497 |
| Apr 2009 | 2490 |
| Apr 2008 | 2499 |
| Apr 2007 | 2497 |
| Apr 2006 | 2495 |
| Apr 2005 | 2500 |
| Oct 2002 | 1967 |
| Jan 2002 | 1952 |
| Feb 2000 | 2026 |
| Apr 1998 | 1981 |

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Q22. Where do you think California currently ranks in student test scores for K-12 public schools?
Compared to other states, are California's student test scores near the top, above average,
average, below average, or near the bottom?

| | Near the top | Above average | Average | Below average | Near the bottom | Don't know (vol) |
|----------|--------------|---------------|---------|---------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Apr 2024 | 3% | 11% | 42% | 31% | 9% | 3% |
| Apr 2022 | 3% | 14% | 44% | 27% | 9% | 3% |
| Apr 2021 | 2% | 12% | 42% | 31% | 11% | 2% |
| Apr 2020 | 3% | 15% | 45% | 29% | 7% | 1% |
| Apr 2019 | 2% | 10% | 42% | 32% | 11% | 3% |
| Apr 2018 | 8% | 15% | 36% | 24% | 9% | 7% |
| Apr 2015 | 2% | 9% | 38% | 31% | 15% | 5% |
| Apr 2014 | 2% | 8% | 39% | 32% | 14% | 5% |
| Apr 2013 | 3% | 9% | 34% | 31% | 16% | 6% |
| Apr 2012 | 2% | 10% | 31% | 30% | 19% | 8% |
| Apr 2011 | 2% | 9% | 33% | 32% | 17% | 8% |
| Apr 2010 | 3% | 8% | 31% | 33% | 16% | 9% |
| Apr 2009 | 2% | 8% | 34% | 32% | 17% | 7% |
| Apr 2008 | 2% | 8% | 32% | 33% | 18% | 6% |
| Apr 2007 | 2% | 8% | 34% | 34% | 15% | 7% |
| Apr 2006 | 3% | 8% | 32% | 33% | 13% | 10% |
| Apr 2005 | 3% | 8% | 31% | 35% | 14% | 9% |
| Oct 2002 | 3% | 8% | 33% | 36% | 13% | 7% |
| Jan 2002 | 2% | 6% | 29% | 39% | 15% | 8% |
| Apr 1998 | 2% | 8% | 32% | 39% | 14% | 5% |

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| | Unweighted n |
|----------|-----------------|
| Apr 2024 | 1596 |
| Apr 2022 | 1585 |
| Apr 2021 | 1600 |
| Apr 2020 | 1631 |
| Apr 2019 | 1510 |
| Apr 2018 | 1701 |
| Apr 2015 | 1702 |
| Apr 2014 | 1698 |
| Apr 2013 | 1700 |
| Apr 2012 | 2003 |
| Apr 2011 | 2502 |
| Apr 2010 | 2497 |
| Apr 2009 | 2495 |
| Apr 2008 | 2496 |
| Apr 2007 | 2495 |
| Apr 2006 | 2497 |
| Apr 2005 | 2497 |
| Oct 2002 | 1967 |
| Jan 2002 | 1953 |
| Apr 1998 | 1983 |

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Q23. Next, overall, how would you rate the quality of public schools in your neighborhood today? If you had to give your local public schools a grade, would it be A, B, C, D, or F?

| | A | B | C | D | F | Don't know (vol) |
|----------|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|---------------------|
| Apr 2024 | 9% | 34% | 38% | 11% | 5% | 3% |
| Jun 2023 | 8% | 30% | 37% | 14% | 7% | 3% |
| Apr 2022 | 12% | 38% | 34% | 11% | 3% | 2% |
| Apr 2021 | 9% | 32% | 39% | 12% | 6% | 2% |
| Apr 2020 | 11% | 34% | 39% | 10% | 5% | 1% |
| Apr 2019 | 8% | 30% | 39% | 14% | 6% | 3% |
| Apr 2018 | 20% | 34% | 24% | 12% | 5% | 5% |
| Apr 2017 | 22% | 32% | 24% | 11% | 7% | 5% |
| Apr 2016 | 20% | 37% | 27% | 9% | 4% | 3% |
| Apr 2015 | 15% | 38% | 28% | 10% | 4% | 4% |
| Apr 2014 | 14% | 38% | 30% | 10% | 5% | 4% |
| Apr 2013 | 16% | 39% | 27% | 9% | 5% | 5% |
| Apr 2012 | 17% | 35% | 27% | 12% | 4% | 5% |
| Apr 2011 | 17% | 34% | 31% | 11% | 4% | 3% |
| Apr 2010 | 19% | 35% | 26% | 10% | 4% | 6% |
| Apr 2009 | 19% | 34% | 28% | 9% | 4% | 5% |
| Apr 2008 | 18% | 36% | 27% | 10% | 4% | 5% |
| Apr 2007 | 16% | 36% | 28% | 9% | 4% | 6% |
| Apr 2006 | 19% | 36% | 27% | 7% | 4% | 7% |
| Apr 2005 | 17% | 34% | 27% | 9% | 4% | 8% |
| Oct 2002 | 14% | 35% | 31% | 10% | 4% | 6% |
| Aug 2000 | 12% | 30% | 30% | 13% | 8% | 8% |

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| | Unweighted n |
|----------|-----------------|
| Apr 2024 | 1599 |
| Jun 2023 | 1567 |
| Apr 2022 | 1587 |
| Apr 2021 | 1601 |
| Apr 2020 | 1630 |
| Apr 2019 | 1510 |
| Apr 2018 | 1698 |
| Apr 2017 | 1701 |
| Apr 2016 | 1698 |
| Apr 2015 | 1702 |
| Apr 2014 | 1699 |
| Apr 2013 | 1703 |
| Apr 2012 | 1999 |
| Apr 2011 | 2497 |
| Apr 2010 | 2502 |
| Apr 2009 | 2495 |
| Apr 2008 | 2501 |
| Apr 2007 | 2497 |
| Apr 2006 | 2500 |
| Apr 2005 | 2500 |
| Oct 2002 | 1967 |
| Aug 2000 | 1974 |

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Q24. Are your local public schools doing an excellent, good, not so good, or poor job in preparing students for college?

| | Excellent | Good | Not so good | Poor | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
|----------|-----------|------|-------------|------|------------------|--------------|
| Apr 2024 | 7% | 53% | 31% | 6% | 3% | 1597 |
| Apr 2022 | 10% | 54% | 28% | 5% | 3% | 1586 |
| Apr 2021 | 7% | 55% | 29% | 6% | 3% | 1599 |
| Apr 2020 | 9% | 55% | 29% | 5% | 1% | 1628 |
| Apr 2019 | 7% | 48% | 35% | 7% | 3% | 1508 |
| Apr 2017 | 14% | 44% | 20% | 15% | 8% | 1700 |
| Apr 2016 | 13% | 48% | 25% | 9% | 5% | 1700 |
| Apr 2015 | 11% | 47% | 25% | 10% | 7% | 1699 |
| Apr 2014 | 10% | 43% | 28% | 12% | 7% | 1695 |
| Apr 2013 | 12% | 42% | 28% | 11% | 7% | 1700 |
| Nov 2011 | 8% | 36% | 33% | 18% | 5% | 2501 |
| Apr 2011 | 5% | 38% | 35% | 17% | 5% | 2491 |
| Apr 2010 | 4% | 37% | 39% | 14% | 5% | 2500 |
| Apr 2009 | 4% | 42% | 36% | 12% | 5% | 2495 |
| Apr 2006 | 6% | 35% | 36% | 17% | 5% | 2500 |

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Q25. Are your local public schools doing an excellent, good, not so good, or poor job in preparing students for jobs and the workforce?

| | Excellent | Good | Not so good | Poor | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
|----------|-----------|------|-------------|------|------------------|--------------|
| Apr 2024 | 5% | 46% | 38% | 8% | 3% | 1598 |
| Apr 2022 | 6% | 49% | 34% | 8% | 3% | 1584 |
| Apr 2021 | 6% | 48% | 36% | 7% | 3% | 1599 |
| Apr 2020 | 7% | 50% | 35% | 7% | 2% | 1630 |
| Apr 2019 | 5% | 43% | 41% | 8% | 3% | 1511 |
| Apr 2017 | 10% | 36% | 28% | 18% | 8% | 1700 |
| Apr 2016 | 10% | 42% | 29% | 13% | 6% | 1698 |
| Apr 2015 | 7% | 41% | 32% | 12% | 7% | 1698 |
| Apr 2014 | 6% | 35% | 35% | 17% | 8% | 1697 |
| Apr 2013 | 7% | 37% | 35% | 14% | 8% | 1699 |
| Apr 2011 | 4% | 32% | 38% | 20% | 6% | 2490 |
| Apr 2010 | 3% | 28% | 45% | 19% | 6% | 2498 |
| Apr 2009 | 3% | 31% | 43% | 18% | 5% | 2492 |
| Apr 2006 | 4% | 29% | 40% | 20% | 6% | 2499 |

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| Q27. Do you think the current level of state funding for your local public schools is more than enough, just enough, or not enough? | | | | | |
|---|------------------|-------------|------------|------------------|--------------|
| | More than enough | Just enough | Not enough | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
| Apr 2024 | 11% | 40% | 46% | 4% | 1596 |
| Jun 2023 | 11% | 34% | 51% | 3% | 1570 |
| Apr 2022 | 11% | 37% | 49% | 3% | 1584 |
| Apr 2021 | 10% | 38% | 49% | 3% | 1600 |
| Apr 2020 | 11% | 37% | 50% | 2% | 1631 |
| Apr 2019 | 8% | 32% | 56% | 3% | 1510 |
| Apr 2018 | 10% | 23% | 59% | 9% | 1701 |
| Apr 2017 | 9% | 21% | 64% | 6% | 1701 |
| Apr 2016 | 9% | 26% | 61% | 4% | 1701 |
| Apr 2015 | 9% | 25% | 60% | 5% | 1703 |
| Apr 2014 | 14% | 29% | 53% | 4% | 1699 |
| Apr 2013 | 9% | 24% | 63% | 5% | 1703 |
| Apr 2012 | 7% | 26% | 63% | 4% | 2004 |
| Apr 2011 | 7% | 31% | 56% | 6% | 2499 |
| Apr 2010 | 6% | 26% | 62% | 6% | 2503 |
| Apr 2009 | 11% | 32% | 50% | 7% | 2498 |
| Apr 2008 | 9% | 33% | 51% | 6% | 2499 |
| Apr 2007 | 11% | 33% | 48% | 8% | 2495 |
| Apr 2006 | 10% | 32% | 49% | 9% | 2498 |
| Apr 2005 | 7% | 32% | 51% | 10% | 2498 |
| Jan 2004 | 10% | 22% | 61% | 6% | 1524 |
| Oct 2002 | 8% | 21% | 64% | 7% | 1960 |
| Aug 2000 | 8% | 23% | 63% | 6% | 1971 |
| Sep 1999 | 7% | 20% | 68% | 5% | 1999 |
| Sep 1998 | 8% | 20% | 66% | 7% | 1994 |

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Q28. If the state ballot had a bond measure to pay for school construction projects, would you vote yes or no?

| | Yes | No | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
|----------|-----|-----|------------------|--------------|
| Apr 2024 | 58% | 39% | 3% | 1595 |
| Jun 2023 | 64% | 33% | 3% | 1563 |
| Apr 2022 | 63% | 35% | 2% | 1580 |
| Apr 2021 | 59% | 39% | 2% | 1592 |
| Apr 2020 | 59% | 39% | 2% | 1632 |
| Apr 2019 | 62% | 35% | 3% | 1502 |
| Oct 2016 | 74% | 21% | 6% | 1698 |
| Sep 2016 | 74% | 21% | 5% | 1696 |
| Apr 2016 | 76% | 21% | 3% | 1697 |
| Apr 2015 | 66% | 30% | 4% | 1699 |

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Q29. If your local school district had a bond measure on the ballot to pay for school construction projects, would you vote yes or no?

| | Yes | No | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
|----------|-----|-----|------------------|--------------|
| Apr 2024 | 55% | 42% | 3% | 1591 |
| Jun 2023 | 62% | 35% | 4% | 1565 |
| Apr 2022 | 61% | 37% | 3% | 1583 |
| Apr 2021 | 58% | 40% | 2% | 1591 |
| Apr 2020 | 55% | 43% | 2% | 1631 |
| Apr 2019 | 60% | 36% | 5% | 1503 |
| Apr 2018 | 70% | 22% | 8% | 1696 |
| Apr 2017 | 68% | 26% | 6% | 1701 |
| Apr 2016 | 74% | 24% | 2% | 1698 |
| Apr 2015 | 65% | 31% | 3% | 1697 |
| Apr 2014 | 65% | 29% | 5% | 1695 |
| Apr 2013 | 65% | 32% | 3% | 1701 |
| Apr 2012 | 62% | 32% | 6% | 2001 |
| Apr 2011 | 60% | 35% | 6% | 2500 |
| Apr 2010 | 63% | 33% | 5% | 2500 |
| Apr 2009 | 60% | 34% | 5% | 2494 |
| Apr 2008 | 65% | 30% | 5% | 2496 |
| Apr 2007 | 66% | 28% | 6% | 2495 |
| Apr 2005 | 71% | 23% | 5% | 2498 |
| Jun 2004 | 72% | 23% | 5% | 2498 |
| Feb 2004 | 62% | 28% | 10% | 1439 |
| Oct 2002 | 74% | 20% | 6% | 1962 |
| Oct 2000 | 67% | 23% | 10% | 1981 |
| Feb 2000 | 70% | 24% | 6% | 2026 |
| Dec 1999 | 77% | 18% | 6% | 1986 |

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Q30. What if there was a measure on your local ballot to increase local parcel taxes to provide more funds for the local public schools? Would you vote yes or no?

| | Yes | No | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
|----------|-----|-----|------------------|--------------|
| Apr 2024 | 44% | 54% | 3% | 1592 |
| Jun 2023 | 42% | 54% | 4% | 1560 |
| Apr 2022 | 44% | 54% | 2% | 1581 |
| Apr 2021 | 45% | 53% | 3% | 1590 |
| Apr 2020 | 42% | 56% | 1% | 1632 |
| Apr 2019 | 46% | 51% | 3% | 1504 |
| Apr 2018 | 61% | 34% | 6% | 1697 |
| Apr 2017 | 59% | 38% | 4% | 1699 |
| Apr 2016 | 62% | 33% | 5% | 1701 |
| Apr 2015 | 57% | 39% | 4% | 1700 |
| Apr 2014 | 57% | 39% | 3% | 1696 |
| Apr 2013 | 60% | 37% | 3% | 1701 |
| Apr 2012 | 60% | 34% | 6% | 2002 |
| Apr 2011 | 59% | 36% | 4% | 2499 |
| Apr 2010 | 57% | 38% | 5% | 2493 |
| Apr 2009 | 54% | 41% | 5% | 2489 |

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Q32. Do you think the current level of resources for lower-income students in your local public schools is more than enough, just enough, or not enough?

| | More than enough | Just enough | Not enough | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
|----------|------------------|-------------|------------|------------------|--------------|
| Apr 2024 | 11% | 40% | 45% | 4% | 1601 |
| Apr 2022 | 10% | 37% | 50% | 3% | 1584 |
| Apr 2021 | 9% | 37% | 51% | 3% | 1599 |
| Apr 2020 | 9% | 41% | 49% | 1% | 1628 |
| Apr 2019 | 10% | 37% | 49% | 3% | 1506 |
| Apr 2017 | 11% | 30% | 52% | 7% | 1703 |

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Q33. Do you think the current level of resources for English language learners in your local public schools is more than enough, just enough, or not enough?

| | More than enough | Just enough | Not enough | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
|----------|------------------|-------------|------------|------------------|--------------|
| Apr 2024 | 13% | 50% | 32% | 5% | 1596 |
| Apr 2022 | 12% | 49% | 35% | 4% | 1583 |
| Apr 2021 | 13% | 48% | 36% | 3% | 1599 |
| Apr 2020 | 12% | 49% | 36% | 2% | 1628 |
| Apr 2019 | 15% | 43% | 38% | 3% | 1508 |
| Apr 2017 | 16% | 39% | 37% | 8% | 1702 |

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Q34. Please answer if you think it is a big problem, somewhat of a problem, or not really a problem. How about teacher quality?

| | Big problem | Somewhat of a problem | Not really a problem | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
|----------|-------------|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Apr 2024 | 33% | 49% | 15% | 2% | 1599 |
| Apr 2022 | 28% | 54% | 16% | 2% | 1586 |
| Apr 2021 | 28% | 52% | 17% | 2% | 1600 |
| Apr 2020 | 26% | 53% | 19% | 1% | 1631 |
| Apr 2019 | 31% | 53% | 14% | 2% | 1509 |
| Apr 2017 | 25% | 37% | 33% | 5% | 1700 |
| Apr 2016 | 30% | 45% | 22% | 2% | 1701 |
| Apr 2013 | 28% | 43% | 25% | 4% | 1700 |
| Apr 2011 | 44% | 34% | 19% | 3% | 2498 |
| Apr 2010 | 36% | 41% | 21% | 3% | 2501 |
| Apr 2009 | 29% | 41% | 25% | 4% | 2494 |
| Apr 2008 | 28% | 41% | 26% | 4% | 2499 |
| Apr 2007 | 28% | 41% | 26% | 5% | 2498 |
| Apr 2006 | 27% | 41% | 26% | 5% | 2498 |

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Q35. Please answer if you think it is a big problem, somewhat of a problem, or not really a problem. How about a shortage of teachers?

| | Big problem | Somewhat of a problem | Not really a problem | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
|----------|-------------|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Apr 2024 | 52% | 39% | 8% | 2% | 1599 |
| Apr 2022 | 52% | 39% | 7% | 1% | 1586 |
| Apr 2021 | 42% | 42% | 14% | 3% | 1600 |
| Apr 2020 | 39% | 46% | 14% | 1% | 1630 |
| Apr 2019 | 48% | 38% | 11% | 2% | 1508 |
| Apr 2017 | 50% | 27% | 19% | 4% | 1703 |
| Apr 2016 | 53% | 28% | 16% | 3% | 1703 |

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| Q36. Do you think salaries for teachers in your community are too high, too low, or just about right? | | | | | |
|---|----------|---------|------------------|------------------|--------------|
| | Too high | Too low | Just about right | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
| Apr 2024 | 7% | 63% | 27% | 4% | 1601 |
| Apr 2022 | 4% | 62% | 31% | 3% | 1585 |
| Apr 2021 | 7% | 61% | 29% | 3% | 1599 |
| Apr 2020 | 6% | 61% | 31% | 2% | 1631 |
| Apr 2019 | 6% | 61% | 30% | 4% | 1509 |

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Q38. How much, if anything, have you heard about the Local Control Funding Formula, a policy enacted in recent years that changes the way K-12 public school districts are funded in California?

| | A lot | A little | Nothing at all | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
|----------|-------|----------|----------------|------------------|--------------|
| Apr 2024 | 3% | 18% | 78% | 1% | 1599 |
| Apr 2022 | 4% | 19% | 75% | 1% | 1585 |
| Apr 2021 | 3% | 15% | 81% | 1% | 1601 |
| Apr 2020 | 4% | 21% | 74% | 1% | 1632 |
| Apr 2019 | 5% | 22% | 71% | 1% | 1506 |
| Apr 2018 | 5% | 24% | 70% | 1% | 1702 |
| Apr 2017 | 4% | 24% | 71% | 1% | 1705 |
| Apr 2016 | 3% | 27% | 69% | 0% | 1702 |
| Apr 2015 | 2% | 22% | 75% | 1% | 1705 |
| Apr 2014 | 3% | 24% | 72% | 1% | 1702 |

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Q39. The Local Control Funding Formula provides additional funding to school districts that have more [ROTATE] [English language learners] [AND] [lower-income students] and gives local school districts more flexibility over how state funding is spent. In general, do you favor or oppose this policy?

| | Favor | Oppose | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
|----------|-------|--------|------------------|--------------|
| Apr 2024 | 66% | 30% | 4% | 1595 |
| Apr 2022 | 75% | 22% | 3% | 1579 |
| Apr 2021 | 68% | 29% | 3% | 1590 |
| Apr 2020 | 70% | 26% | 3% | 1629 |
| Apr 2019 | 67% | 28% | 5% | 1506 |
| Apr 2018 | 71% | 19% | 10% | 1687 |
| Apr 2017 | 65% | 25% | 10% | 1696 |
| Apr 2016 | 76% | 19% | 6% | 1692 |
| Apr 2015 | 70% | 21% | 10% | 1697 |
| Apr 2014 | 70% | 23% | 7% | 1693 |

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Q40. As the state implements the Local Control Funding Formula, do you think the academic achievement of [ROTATE IN SAME ORDER AS Q49] [English language learners] [AND] [lower-income students] will or will not improve?

| | Improve a lot | Improve somewhat | Improve, don't know | Will NOT improve | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
|----------|---------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Apr 2024 | 14% | 45% | 1% | 35% | 5% | 1599 |
| Apr 2022 | 13% | 45% | 12% | 25% | 4% | 1573 |
| Apr 2021 | 8% | 43% | 13% | 32% | 4% | 1589 |
| Apr 2020 | 16% | 45% | 0% | 35% | 3% | 1629 |

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Q41. The Local Control Funding Formula requires school districts to seek input from parents in developing and revising their accountability plans for how to allocate resources. Has your child's school or school district provided you with information about how to become involved, or not?

| | Yes | No | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
|----------|-----|-----|------------------|--------------|
| Apr 2024 | 32% | 66% | 2% | 250 |
| Apr 2020 | 37% | 61% | 1% | 272 |
| Apr 2019 | 50% | 49% | 2% | 283 |
| Apr 2018 | 54% | 41% | 5% | 389 |
| Apr 2017 | 46% | 49% | 5% | 410 |

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Q42. On another topic, do you think that the state government should or should not fund voluntary preschool programs, such as transitional kindergarten, for all four-year-olds in California?

| | Should | Should not | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
|----------|--------|------------|------------------|--------------|
| Apr 2024 | 66% | 31% | 3% | 1599 |
| Apr 2022 | 72% | 26% | 3% | 1582 |
| Apr 2021 | 68% | 30% | 2% | 1598 |
| Apr 2020 | 65% | 33% | 2% | 1631 |
| Apr 2019 | 63% | 33% | 4% | 1508 |
| Apr 2017 | 75% | 21% | 4% | 1703 |
| Apr 2016 | 76% | 22% | 2% | 1698 |
| Apr 2014 | 73% | 24% | 3% | 1696 |

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| Q43. How important is attending preschool to a student's success in kindergarten through grade 12? | | | | | | |
|--|----------------|--------------------|-------------------|----------------------|------------------|--------------|
| | Very important | Somewhat important | Not too important | Not at all important | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
| Apr 2024 | 43% | 34% | 15% | 7% | 1% | 1602 |
| Apr 2022 | 47% | 30% | 15% | 6% | 2% | 1585 |
| Apr 2021 | 47% | 31% | 16% | 6% | 1% | 1601 |
| Apr 2020 | 46% | 32% | 15% | 7% | 0% | 1631 |
| Apr 2019 | 46% | 32% | 14% | 7% | 1% | 1509 |
| Apr 2017 | 69% | 20% | 5% | 5% | 1% | 1704 |
| Apr 2016 | 68% | 21% | 6% | 3% | 1% | 1702 |
| Apr 2014 | 66% | 22% | 7% | 4% | 1% | 1700 |
| May 2006 | 60% | 23% | 8% | 7% | 2% | 1528 |
| Mar 2006 | 62% | 23% | 8% | 6% | 2% | 1481 |

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| Q44. How much of a problem is the quality of preschool education in California today? | | | | | |
|---|-------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------|--------------|
| | Big problem | Somewhat of a problem | Not much of a problem | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
| Apr 2024 | 17% | 48% | 30% | 5% | 1597 |
| Apr 2022 | 15% | 49% | 32% | 5% | 1581 |
| Apr 2020 | 16% | 49% | 32% | 3% | 1630 |
| Apr 2019 | 20% | 49% | 27% | 5% | 1506 |
| Apr 2016 | 20% | 36% | 34% | 9% | 1701 |

Note: Numbers may not add to 100 due to rounding

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| Q44. How much of a problem is the quality of preschool education in California today? | | | | | |
|---|-------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------|--------------|
| | Big problem | Somewhat of a problem | Not much of a problem | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
| Apr 2024 | 17% | 48% | 30% | 5% | 1597 |
| Apr 2022 | 15% | 49% | 32% | 5% | 1581 |
| Apr 2020 | 16% | 49% | 32% | 3% | 1630 |
| Apr 2019 | 20% | 49% | 27% | 5% | 1506 |
| Apr 2016 | 20% | 36% | 34% | 9% | 1701 |

Note: Numbers may not add to 100 due to rounding

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| Q46. How concerned are you that children in lower-income areas are less likely than other children to be ready for kindergarten? Are you... | | | | | | |
|---|----------------|--------------------|-------------------|----------------------|------------------|--------------|
| | Very concerned | Somewhat concerned | Not too concerned | Not at all concerned | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
| Apr 2024 | 24% | 44% | 23% | 9% | 2% | 1595 |
| Apr 2022 | 25% | 48% | 18% | 8% | 1% | 1581 |
| Apr 2021 | 26% | 44% | 22% | 7% | 1% | 1596 |
| Apr 2020 | 27% | 44% | 19% | 9% | 1% | 1630 |
| Apr 2019 | 30% | 40% | 18% | 10% | 2% | 1509 |
| Apr 2016 | 50% | 31% | 11% | 8% | 1% | 1700 |

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Q47. How concerned are you that students who speak English as a second language are less likely than other children to be ready for kindergarten? Are you...

| | Very concerned | Somewhat concerned | Not too concerned | Not at all concerned | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
|----------|----------------|--------------------|-------------------|----------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Apr 2024 | 19% | 41% | 27% | 11% | 2% | 1596 |
| Apr 2022 | 20% | 48% | 22% | 9% | 1% | 1583 |
| Apr 2021 | 21% | 44% | 24% | 10% | 1% | 1597 |
| Apr 2020 | 20% | 43% | 24% | 12% | 1% | 1631 |

Note: Numbers may not add to 100 due to rounding

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Q48. How important to you is it that your local public schools include career technical or vocational education as part of the curriculum?

| | Very important | Somewhat important | Not too important | Not at all important | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
|----------|----------------|--------------------|-------------------|----------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Apr 2024 | 55% | 34% | 8% | 2% | 1% | 1602 |
| Apr 2022 | 56% | 33% | 7% | 3% | 1% | 1584 |
| Apr 2021 | 55% | 36% | 6% | 2% | 1% | 1600 |
| Apr 2020 | 53% | 36% | 7% | 3% | 1% | 1631 |
| Apr 2014 | 73% | 21% | 5% | 0% | 0% | 1701 |
| Apr 2013 | 74% | 21% | 5% | 0% | 0% | 1703 |
| Apr 2009 | 71% | 23% | 4% | 0% | 1% | 2497 |
| Apr 2007 | 67% | 26% | 6% | 0% | 1% | 2500 |

Note: Numbers may not add to 100 due to rounding

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Q49. Next, if you had to choose, which do you think is more important for young people to succeed today -- [ROTATE] (1) earning a college degree from a well-respected university [OR] (2) obtaining the knowledge or skills needed to do a specific job?

| | Earning a college degree | Obtaining knowledge or skills | Neither | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
|----------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|---------|------------------|--------------|
| Apr 2024 | 24% | 75% | 0% | 1% | 1593 |
| Apr 2022 | 26% | 61% | 12% | 1% | 1583 |

Note: Numbers may not add to 100 due to rounding

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| Q50. In general, how well do you think your local public schools prepare someone for a well-paying job in today's economy? | | | | | | |
|--|-----------|---------------|--------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------|
| | Very well | Somewhat well | Not too well | Not at all well | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
| Apr 2024 | 7% | 33% | 46% | 11% | 3% | 1600 |
| Apr 2022 | 7% | 37% | 41% | 12% | 2% | 1586 |
| Apr 2021 | 7% | 38% | 41% | 12% | 2% | 1597 |
| Apr 2020 | 10% | 37% | 39% | 13% | 1% | 1631 |

Note: Numbers may not add to 100 due to rounding

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Q59. Next, what do you hope will be the highest grade level that your youngest child will achieve?

| | Some high school | High school graduate | Two-year community college graduate or career technical training | Four-year college graduate | A graduate degree after college | Don't know (vol) |
|----------|------------------|----------------------|--|----------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------|
| Apr 2024 | 1% | 12% | 20% | 29% | 38% | 0% |
| Jun 2023 | 3% | 6% | 12% | 35% | 44% | 0% |
| Apr 2022 | 3% | 7% | 17% | 29% | 44% | 0% |
| Apr 2021 | 5% | 6% | 10% | 37% | 41% | 1% |
| Apr 2020 | 1% | 10% | 14% | 37% | 38% | 0% |
| Apr 2019 | 4% | 8% | 8% | 33% | 46% | 0% |
| Apr 2018 | 0% | 5% | 8% | 35% | 48% | 3% |
| Apr 2017 | 0% | 4% | 7% | 34% | 51% | 3% |
| Apr 2016 | 0% | 4% | 11% | 29% | 51% | 5% |
| Apr 2015 | 0% | 6% | 5% | 36% | 50% | 3% |
| Apr 2014 | 0% | 7% | 7% | 37% | 46% | 2% |
| Apr 2013 | 1% | 9% | 5% | 37% | 46% | 2% |
| Dec 2012 | 2% | 2% | 6% | 36% | 51% | 2% |
| Nov 2011 | 0% | 3% | 10% | 38% | 45% | 3% |
| Nov 2010 | 0% | 5% | 5% | 42% | 46% | 1% |
| Apr 2010 | 1% | 5% | 4% | 41% | 47% | 3% |
| Nov 2009 | 0% | 4% | 3% | 44% | 45% | 3% |
| Apr 2009 | 1% | 6% | 4% | 43% | 43% | 3% |
| Nov 2008 | 1% | 6% | 4% | 41% | 46% | 1% |
| Oct 2007 | 1% | 4% | 4% | 43% | 46% | 2% |
| Apr 2005 | 1% | 6% | 4% | 47% | 41% | 2% |

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| | Unweighted n |
|----------|-----------------|
| Apr 2024 | 337 |
| Jun 2023 | 391 |
| Apr 2022 | 421 |
| Apr 2021 | 397 |
| Apr 2020 | 377 |
| Apr 2019 | 391 |
| Apr 2018 | 523 |
| Apr 2017 | 528 |
| Apr 2016 | 507 |
| Apr 2015 | 499 |
| Apr 2014 | 505 |
| Apr 2013 | 535 |
| Dec 2012 | 587 |
| Nov 2011 | 857 |
| Nov 2010 | 883 |
| Apr 2010 | 976 |
| Nov 2009 | 910 |
| Apr 2009 | 967 |
| Nov 2008 | 984 |
| Oct 2007 | 1027 |
| Apr 2005 | 982 |

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| Q60. How worried are you about being able to afford a college education for your youngest child? | | | | | | |
|--|--------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------|
| | Very worried | Somewhat worried | Not too worried | Not at all worried | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
| Apr 2024 | 37% | 33% | 22% | 8% | 0% | 337 |
| Apr 2022 | 38% | 35% | 18% | 8% | 1% | 423 |
| Apr 2021 | 35% | 43% | 16% | 6% | 1% | 397 |
| Apr 2020 | 43% | 36% | 14% | 7% | 0% | 377 |
| Apr 2019 | 45% | 34% | 14% | 6% | 1% | 393 |
| Nov 2011 | 52% | 29% | 10% | 9% | 0% | 856 |
| Nov 2010 | 57% | 25% | 9% | 8% | 1% | 889 |
| Nov 2009 | 51% | 27% | 12% | 11% | 0% | 908 |
| Nov 2008 | 46% | 26% | 15% | 12% | 0% | 983 |
| Oct 2007 | 43% | 32% | 12% | 13% | 0% | 1025 |

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| Q61. How concerned are you about the threat of a mass shooting in your local schools? Are you... | | | | | | |
|--|----------------|--------------------|-------------------|----------------------|------------------|--------------|
| | Very concerned | Somewhat concerned | Not too concerned | Not at all concerned | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
| Apr 2024 | 39% | 32% | 24% | 5% | 1% | 1597 |
| Apr 2020 | 34% | 32% | 26% | 8% | 0% | 1631 |
| Apr 2019 | 37% | 33% | 21% | 8% | 1% | 1509 |
| Apr 2018 | 49% | 24% | 14% | 12% | 1% | 1698 |

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| Q62. How concerned are you about students and their families in our local schools experiencing homelessness? Are you... | | | | | | |
|---|----------------|--------------------|-------------------|----------------------|------------------|--------------|
| | Very concerned | Somewhat concerned | Not too concerned | Not at all concerned | Don't know (vol) | Unweighted n |
| Apr 2024 | 32% | 38% | 23% | 6% | 1% | 1591 |
| Apr 2020 | 33% | 38% | 21% | 8% | 0% | 1629 |

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