



National Survey Results

Q1 I'm going to list some economy-wide concerns and I want you to tell me if they are a major problem, a minor problem, or not a problem at all for the country as a whole. Here's the first one: high unemployment. If you think high unemployment is a major problem right now for the economy as a whole, press 1. If a minor problem, press 2. If not a problem at all, press 3. If you're not sure, press 4.

Major problem..... 62%
Minor problem..... 29%
Not a problem at all..... 5%
Not sure 4%

Q2 Here's the next one: low wages and insufficient income. If you think low wages and insufficient income are a major problem right now for the economy as a whole, press 1. If a minor problem, press 2. If not a problem at all, press 3. If you're not sure, press 4.

Major problem..... 60%
Minor problem..... 25%
Not a problem at all 12%
Not sure 4%

Q3 Here's the next one: income inequality. If you think income inequality is a major problem right now for the economy as a whole, press 1. If a minor problem, press 2. If not a problem at all, press 3. If you're not sure, press 4.

Major problem..... 48%
Minor problem..... 22%
Not a problem at all..... 24%
Not sure 6%

Q4 Here's the next one: inflation. If you think inflation is a major problem right now for the economy as a whole, press 1. If a minor problem, press 2. If not a problem at all, press 3. If you're not sure, press 4.

Major problem..... 50%
Minor problem..... 32%
Not a problem at all..... 14%
Not sure 4%

Q5 The Federal Reserve tries to balance two objectives: creating more jobs in the economy and keeping inflation low. Fed officials believe that these objectives are often in conflict, and they are now debating which of them to focus on. From your perspective, what do you think the Fed should prioritize at the moment: creating more jobs and higher wages, or ensuring that inflation does not get any higher?

Fed should prioritize creating more jobs and higher wages 55%
Fed should prioritize ensuring that inflation does not get any higher 38%
Not sure 6%

Q6 Low interest rates benefit borrowers by making it easier to pay off debt. Higher interest rates benefit savers by allowing savings to grow more quickly. Which is more important to you, being able to pay off loans more easily or higher interest rates on your savings accounts?

Paying off loans more easily is more important..... 50%
Higher interest rates on savings accounts is more important..... 46%
Not sure 4%





Q7 Since the financial crisis, the Federal Reserve has kept interest rates low in order to boost the economy. Do you feel that the economy is now doing well enough to raise interest rates, or do you feel that the economy is still recovering, and so the Fed should keep interest rates low?

- Economy is now doing well enough to raise interest rates* 30%
- Economy is still recovering, and so the Fed should keep interest rates low* 61%
- Not sure* 9%

Q8 Right now, the Federal Reserve is debating whether to keep interest rates low or to raise them. Low interest rates keep economic activity high, allowing unemployment to go down and wages to grow. High interest rates slow down economic activity, which helps reduce inflation. Given current economic conditions, which do you think the Federal Reserve should do: keep interest rates low, or raise interest rates?

- Keep interest rates low* 62%
- Raise interest rates* 30%
- Not sure* 8%

Q9 The Federal Reserve is considered one of the most important economic policymaking institutions in the country. Based on what you know about the Federal Reserve, would you say that the public has enough input into its decision-making process, or not?

- Public has enough input* 17%
- Public does not have enough input* 71%
- Not sure* 12%

Q10 At the Fed, there is a committee of 19 policymakers that make the crucial decision about where to set interest rates. Of those 19, 7 are appointed by the President of the United States and confirmed by Congress. The other 12 are chosen by groups of Directors at regional branches of the Federal Reserve around the country. There is a debate going on right now about what kind of professional background these Directors should have. Of the following list, who do you trust the most to be a Fed Director and help decide who gets to set policy for the Federal Reserve: bankers and people from financial services companies; corporate executives; representatives from community-based organizations, workers' centers, and labor unions; consumer advocates; academic scholars, or someone else?

- Bankers and people from financial services companies* 16%
- Corporate executives* 9%
- Representatives from community-based organizations, workers' centers, and labor unions* 26%
- Consumer advocates* 15%
- Academic scholars* 14%
- Someone else* 11%
- Not sure* 9%





Q11 Directors at the Regional banks of the Federal Reserve are supposed to represent the public, with backgrounds in various sectors of the economy. Currently, 86% of the Fed's directors come from the financial and corporate sectors, and 14% come from non-profit, academic, or community sectors. Do you think that makeup is too weighted towards the financial and corporate sectors, or that it is too weighted to the non-profit, academic, and community sectors, or do you think it's about right?

- Too weighted towards the financial and corporate sectors* 57%
- Too weighted to the non-profit, academic, and community sectors* 14%
- About right* 15%
- Not sure* 14%

Q12 If you are a woman, press 1. If a man, press 2.

- Woman* 53%
- Man* 47%

Q13 If you are a Democrat, press 1. If a Republican, press 2. If an independent, press 3.

- Democrat* 42%
- Republican* 37%
- Independent* 21%

Q14 If you are Hispanic, press 1. If white, press 2. If African-American, press 3. If other, press 4.

- Hispanic* 9%
- White* 73%
- African-American* 13%
- Other* 5%

Q15 If you are 18-45 years old, press 1. If 46-65, press 2. If older than 65, press 3.

- 18 to 45* 27%
- 46 to 65* 44%
- Older than 65* 29%

Q16 Are you currently employed full time, employed part time, are you retired, are you a student, or are you currently unemployed?

- Full time* 40%
- Part time* 17%
- Retired* 32%
- Student* 1%
- Unemployed* 6%
- Don't care to say* 4%

Q17 How would you characterize your level of household savings: would you say you have enough savings to feel comfortable, or not?

- Yes* 32%
- No* 58%
- Not sure* 10%

Q18 Would you say you have more household savings than household debt, or not?

- More household savings than debt* 51%
- More household debt than savings* 36%
- Not sure* 14%

Q19 What is your household's annual income? Is it less than \$20,000, is it \$20,000 to \$30,000, is it \$30,000 to \$50,000, is it \$50,000 to \$75,000, is it \$75,000 to \$100,000, or is it more than \$100,000?

- Less than \$20,000* 10%
- \$20,000 - \$30,000* 13%
- \$30,000 - \$50,000* 18%
- \$50,000 - \$75,000* 13%
- \$75,000 - \$100,000* 12%
- More than \$100,000* 16%
- Don't care to say* 19%





	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
High unemployment problem for economy?			
Major problem	62%	65%	59%
Minor problem	29%	26%	33%
Not a problem at all	5%	5%	5%
Not sure	4%	4%	3%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Low wages problem for economy?			
Major problem	60%	60%	59%
Minor problem	25%	24%	26%
Not a problem at all	12%	11%	13%
Not sure	4%	5%	3%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Income inequality problem for economy?			
Major problem	48%	53%	43%
Minor problem	22%	22%	23%
Not a problem at all	24%	18%	30%
Not sure	6%	8%	5%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Inflation problem for economy?			
Major problem	50%	62%	38%
Minor problem	32%	24%	40%
Not a problem at all	14%	8%	20%
Not sure	4%	5%	2%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Fed prioritize jobs and wages or inflation?			
Fed should prioritize creating more jobs and higher wages	55%	54%	57%
Fed should prioritize ensuring that inflation does not get any higher	38%	41%	36%
Not sure	6%	6%	7%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Pay off loans or get higher interest on savings?			
Paying off loans more easily is more important	50%	46%	55%
Higher interest rates on savings accounts is more important	46%	50%	41%
Not sure	4%	4%	4%





	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Should Fed raise interest rates or keep low?			
Economy is now doing well enough to raise interest rates	30%	28%	32%
Economy is still recovering, and so the Fed should keep interest rates low	61%	61%	62%
Not sure	9%	11%	6%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Keep rates low or raise them given current economy?			
Keep interest rates low	62%	63%	62%
Raise interest rates	30%	27%	33%
Not sure	8%	11%	5%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Does public have enough input on Fed decision-making?			
Public has enough input	17%	12%	23%
Public does not have enough input	71%	74%	68%
Not sure	12%	14%	9%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Who do you trust most to be a Fed director?			
Bankers and people from financial services companies	16%	21%	11%
Corporate executives	9%	7%	11%
Representatives from community-based organizations, workers' centers, and labor unions	26%	25%	27%
Consumer advocates	15%	15%	15%
Academic scholars	14%	12%	16%
Someone else	11%	7%	15%
Not sure	9%	13%	4%





	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Is director makeup too weighted or about right?			
Too weighted towards the financial and corporate sectors	57%	51%	64%
Too weighted to the non-profit, academic, and community sectors	14%	15%	12%
About right	15%	16%	14%
Not sure	14%	17%	10%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent
High unemployment problem for economy?				
Major problem	62%	49%	75%	66%
Minor problem	29%	39%	17%	29%
Not a problem at all	5%	5%	6%	3%
Not sure	4%	6%	2%	2%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent
Low wages problem for economy?				
Major problem	60%	75%	48%	49%
Minor problem	25%	16%	30%	33%
Not a problem at all	12%	7%	14%	17%
Not sure	4%	2%	8%	1%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent
Income inequality problem for economy?				
Major problem	48%	70%	31%	34%
Minor problem	22%	14%	27%	29%
Not a problem at all	24%	12%	32%	32%
Not sure	6%	5%	9%	4%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent
Inflation problem for economy?				
Major problem	50%	41%	63%	47%
Minor problem	32%	37%	24%	36%
Not a problem at all	14%	17%	10%	15%
Not sure	4%	4%	4%	2%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent
Fed prioritize jobs and wages or inflation?				
Fed should prioritize creating more jobs and higher wages	55%	72%	40%	49%
Fed should prioritize ensuring that inflation does not get any higher	38%	22%	52%	46%
Not sure	6%	6%	7%	6%





	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent
Pay off loans or get higher interest on savings?				
Paying off loans more easily is more important	50%	55%	41%	57%
Higher interest rates on savings accounts is more important	46%	41%	55%	40%
Not sure	4%	4%	4%	3%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent
Should Fed raise interest rates or keep low?				
Economy is now doing well enough to raise interest rates	30%	30%	32%	24%
Economy is still recovering, and so the Fed should keep interest rates low	61%	62%	57%	68%
Not sure	9%	8%	11%	7%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent
Keep rates low or raise them given current economy?				
Keep interest rates low	62%	66%	57%	63%
Raise interest rates	30%	26%	34%	30%
Not sure	8%	8%	9%	7%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent
Does public have enough input on Fed decision-making?				
Public has enough input	17%	24%	11%	14%
Public does not have enough input	71%	60%	79%	80%
Not sure	12%	16%	10%	6%





	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent
Who do you trust most to be a Fed director?				
Bankers and people from financial services companies	16%	11%	24%	14%
Corporate executives	9%	3%	15%	11%
Representatives from community-based organizations, workers' centers, and labor unions	26%	36%	16%	25%
Consumer advocates	15%	15%	16%	14%
Academic scholars	14%	22%	6%	12%
Someone else	11%	5%	13%	17%
Not sure	9%	8%	10%	7%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent
Is director makeup too weighted or about right?				
Too weighted towards the financial and corporate sectors	57%	66%	45%	62%
Too weighted to the non-profit, academic, and community sectors	14%	10%	21%	9%
About right	15%	12%	19%	15%
Not sure	14%	12%	16%	13%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
High unemployment problem for economy?					
Major problem	62%	73%	60%	66%	58%
Minor problem	29%	26%	32%	13%	35%
Not a problem at all	5%	-	6%	8%	5%
Not sure	4%	1%	3%	13%	1%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
Low wages problem for economy?					
Major problem	60%	77%	55%	72%	56%
Minor problem	25%	21%	26%	17%	36%
Not a problem at all	12%	-	14%	8%	5%
Not sure	4%	1%	5%	3%	3%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
Income inequality problem for economy?					
Major problem	48%	49%	42%	83%	39%
Minor problem	22%	7%	27%	5%	17%
Not a problem at all	24%	43%	22%	10%	41%
Not sure	6%	1%	8%	2%	3%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
Inflation problem for economy?					
Major problem	50%	48%	51%	56%	39%
Minor problem	32%	28%	31%	37%	40%
Not a problem at all	14%	23%	14%	2%	20%
Not sure	4%	1%	4%	5%	1%





	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
Fed prioritize jobs and wages or inflation?					
Fed should prioritize creating more jobs and higher wages	55%	62%	52%	81%	32%
Fed should prioritize ensuring that inflation does not get any higher	38%	38%	42%	15%	49%
Not sure	6%	-	7%	4%	19%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
Pay off loans or get higher interest on savings?					
Paying off loans more easily is more important	50%	60%	48%	51%	56%
Higher interest rates on savings accounts is more important	46%	40%	47%	46%	38%
Not sure	4%	-	4%	3%	5%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
Should Fed raise interest rates or keep low?					
Economy is now doing well enough to raise interest rates	30%	31%	29%	41%	18%
Economy is still recovering, and so the Fed should keep interest rates low	61%	63%	62%	52%	71%
Not sure	9%	7%	9%	7%	12%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
Keep rates low or raise them given current economy?					
Keep interest rates low	62%	62%	62%	63%	66%
Raise interest rates	30%	37%	28%	34%	32%
Not sure	8%	1%	10%	3%	2%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
Does public have enough input on Fed decision-making?					
Public has enough input	17%	9%	16%	33%	13%
Public does not have enough input	71%	74%	73%	55%	85%
Not sure	12%	17%	11%	12%	2%





	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
Who do you trust most to be a Fed director?					
Bankers and people from financial services companies	16%	3%	18%	17%	18%
Corporate executives	9%	11%	10%	4%	9%
Representatives from community-based organizations, workers' centers, and labor unions	26%	22%	26%	33%	14%
Consumer advocates	15%	38%	12%	16%	17%
Academic scholars	14%	12%	14%	17%	12%
Someone else	11%	-	13%	3%	19%
Not sure	9%	14%	8%	9%	12%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
Is director makeup too weighted or about right?					
Too weighted towards the financial and corporate sectors	57%	62%	58%	54%	49%
Too weighted to the non-profit, academic, and community sectors	14%	18%	11%	25%	18%
About right	15%	13%	18%	2%	15%
Not sure	14%	7%	14%	19%	17%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
High unemployment problem for economy?				
Major problem	62%	69%	57%	63%
Minor problem	29%	22%	34%	27%
Not a problem at all	5%	6%	5%	5%
Not sure	4%	3%	3%	5%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Low wages problem for economy?				
Major problem	60%	60%	59%	59%
Minor problem	25%	15%	29%	27%
Not a problem at all	12%	21%	9%	7%
Not sure	4%	4%	2%	7%





	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Income inequality problem for economy?				
Major problem	48%	46%	48%	49%
Minor problem	22%	8%	28%	26%
Not a problem at all	24%	40%	20%	14%
Not sure	6%	6%	4%	10%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Inflation problem for economy?				
Major problem	50%	53%	49%	50%
Minor problem	32%	26%	35%	32%
Not a problem at all	14%	18%	15%	9%
Not sure	4%	3%	1%	9%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Fed prioritize jobs and wages or inflation?				
Fed should prioritize creating more jobs and higher wages	55%	57%	57%	52%
Fed should prioritize ensuring that inflation does not get any higher	38%	39%	38%	39%
Not sure	6%	4%	6%	10%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Pay off loans or get higher interest on savings?				
Paying off loans more easily is more important	50%	46%	58%	43%
Higher interest rates on savings accounts is more important	46%	54%	39%	49%
Not sure	4%	-	3%	8%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Should Fed raise interest rates or keep low?				
Economy is now doing well enough to raise interest rates	30%	39%	27%	25%
Economy is still recovering, and so the Fed should keep interest rates low	61%	51%	67%	64%
Not sure	9%	10%	6%	11%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Keep rates low or raise them given current economy?				
Keep interest rates low	62%	58%	66%	60%
Raise interest rates	30%	39%	27%	25%
Not sure	8%	3%	6%	16%





	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Does public have enough input on Fed decision-making?				
Public has enough input	17%	19%	19%	13%
Public does not have enough input	71%	79%	69%	68%
Not sure	12%	3%	12%	19%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Who do you trust most to be a Fed director?				
Bankers and people from financial services companies	16%	19%	15%	16%
Corporate executives	9%	7%	10%	9%
Representatives from community-based organizations, workers' centers, and labor unions	26%	20%	28%	30%
Consumer advocates	15%	17%	16%	12%
Academic scholars	14%	14%	16%	10%
Someone else	11%	18%	8%	8%
Not sure	9%	5%	6%	15%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Is director makeup too weighted or about right?				
Too weighted towards the financial and corporate sectors	57%	57%	61%	52%
Too weighted to the non-profit, academic, and community sectors	14%	18%	13%	11%
About right	15%	15%	16%	15%
Not sure	14%	10%	11%	22%

	Base	Employment					
		Full time	Part time	Retired	Student	Unemployed	Don't care to say
High unemployment problem for economy?							
Major problem	62%	54%	62%	67%	100%	86%	58%
Minor problem	29%	38%	25%	24%	-	11%	32%
Not a problem at all	5%	5%	8%	5%	-	3%	-
Not sure	4%	3%	5%	4%	-	-	11%





	Base	Employment					Don't care to say
		Full time	Part time	Retired	Student	Unemployed	
Low wages problem for economy?							
Major problem	60%	58%	52%	64%	57%	64%	71%
Minor problem	25%	25%	28%	25%	13%	18%	11%
Not a problem at all	12%	14%	19%	5%	30%	16%	2%
Not sure	4%	3%	2%	6%	-	2%	16%

	Base	Employment					Don't care to say
		Full time	Part time	Retired	Student	Unemployed	
Income inequality problem for economy?							
Major problem	48%	47%	46%	53%	36%	28%	61%
Minor problem	22%	20%	26%	22%	38%	21%	21%
Not a problem at all	24%	27%	27%	15%	13%	51%	8%
Not sure	6%	6%	2%	10%	14%	-	10%

	Base	Employment					Don't care to say
		Full time	Part time	Retired	Student	Unemployed	
Inflation problem for economy?							
Major problem	50%	48%	58%	52%	57%	44%	40%
Minor problem	32%	40%	20%	33%	43%	13%	24%
Not a problem at all	14%	12%	19%	8%	-	43%	15%
Not sure	4%	0%	3%	7%	-	-	21%

	Base	Employment					Don't care to say
		Full time	Part time	Retired	Student	Unemployed	
Fed prioritize jobs and wages or inflation?							
Fed should prioritize creating more jobs and higher wages	55%	56%	56%	52%	36%	65%	57%
Fed should prioritize ensuring that inflation does not get any higher	38%	39%	37%	40%	64%	29%	36%
Not sure	6%	5%	7%	8%	-	6%	7%

	Base	Employment					Don't care to say
		Full time	Part time	Retired	Student	Unemployed	
Pay off loans or get higher interest on savings?							
Paying off loans more easily is more important	50%	50%	44%	47%	70%	78%	59%
Higher interest rates on savings accounts is more important	46%	47%	55%	48%	30%	22%	22%
Not sure	4%	3%	2%	5%	-	-	18%

	Base	Employment					Don't care to say
		Full time	Part time	Retired	Student	Unemployed	
Should Fed raise interest rates or keep low?							
Economy is now doing well enough to raise interest rates	30%	30%	42%	26%	-	19%	28%
Economy is still recovering, and so the Fed should keep interest rates low	61%	63%	50%	64%	70%	79%	41%
Not sure	9%	7%	7%	9%	30%	2%	30%





	Base	Employment						Don't care to say
		Full time	Part time	Retired	Student	Unemployed		
Keep rates low or raise them given current economy?								
Keep interest rates low	62%	64%	49%	66%	57%	77%	49%	
Raise interest rates	30%	33%	42%	21%	-	23%	33%	
Not sure	8%	4%	8%	12%	43%	-	19%	

	Base	Employment						Don't care to say
		Full time	Part time	Retired	Student	Unemployed		
Does public have enough input on Fed decision-making?								
Public has enough input	17%	26%	9%	13%	-	13%	-	
Public does not have enough input	71%	64%	84%	71%	100%	80%	77%	
Not sure	12%	10%	7%	16%	-	7%	23%	

	Base	Employment						Don't care to say
		Full time	Part time	Retired	Student	Unemployed		
Who do you trust most to be a Fed director?								
Bankers and people from financial services companies	16%	16%	16%	18%	-	20%	10%	
Corporate executives	9%	10%	12%	7%	-	9%	6%	
Representatives from community-based organizations, workers' centers, and labor unions	26%	26%	19%	31%	21%	23%	33%	
Consumer advocates	15%	13%	18%	12%	14%	39%	15%	
Academic scholars	14%	20%	12%	10%	-	3%	11%	
Someone else	11%	12%	17%	7%	30%	3%	-	
Not sure	9%	3%	5%	15%	36%	2%	25%	

	Base	Employment						Don't care to say
		Full time	Part time	Retired	Student	Unemployed		
Is director makeup too weighted or about right?								
Too weighted towards the financial and corporate sectors	57%	65%	53%	51%	34%	65%	37%	
Too weighted to the non-profit, academic, and community sectors	14%	12%	26%	11%	-	11%	15%	
About right	15%	15%	8%	17%	-	23%	23%	
Not sure	14%	8%	13%	21%	66%	1%	25%	

	Base	Enough household savings to feel comfortable?		
		Yes	No	Not sure
High unemployment problem for economy?				
Major problem	62%	61%	63%	58%
Minor problem	29%	31%	28%	32%
Not a problem at all	5%	7%	4%	5%
Not sure	4%	2%	5%	5%

	Base	Enough household savings to feel comfortable?		
		Yes	No	Not sure
Low wages problem for economy?				
Major problem	60%	57%	62%	53%
Minor problem	25%	27%	23%	27%
Not a problem at all	12%	12%	11%	10%
Not sure	4%	4%	3%	11%





	Base	Enough household savings to feel comfortable?		
		Yes	No	Not sure
Income inequality problem for economy?				
Major problem	48%	50%	47%	46%
Minor problem	22%	19%	23%	26%
Not a problem at all	24%	24%	25%	16%
Not sure	6%	7%	5%	12%

	Base	Enough household savings to feel comfortable?		
		Yes	No	Not sure
Inflation problem for economy?				
Major problem	50%	39%	58%	45%
Minor problem	32%	36%	29%	33%
Not a problem at all	14%	23%	10%	9%
Not sure	4%	2%	3%	13%

	Base	Enough household savings to feel comfortable?		
		Yes	No	Not sure
Fed prioritize jobs and wages or inflation?				
Fed should prioritize creating more jobs and higher wages	55%	57%	57%	40%
Fed should prioritize ensuring that inflation does not get any higher	38%	38%	38%	43%
Not sure	6%	5%	6%	16%

	Base	Enough household savings to feel comfortable?		
		Yes	No	Not sure
Pay off loans or get higher interest on savings?				
Paying off loans more easily is more important	50%	32%	62%	39%
Higher interest rates on savings accounts is more important	46%	65%	35%	47%
Not sure	4%	3%	3%	13%





	Base	Enough household savings to feel comfortable?		
		Yes	No	Not sure
Should Fed raise interest rates or keep low?				
Economy is now doing well enough to raise interest rates	30%	44%	24%	16%
Economy is still recovering, and so the Fed should keep interest rates low	61%	48%	68%	64%
Not sure	9%	8%	7%	20%

	Base	Enough household savings to feel comfortable?		
		Yes	No	Not sure
Keep rates low or raise them given current economy?				
Keep interest rates low	62%	49%	69%	67%
Raise interest rates	30%	42%	26%	13%
Not sure	8%	9%	5%	20%

	Base	Enough household savings to feel comfortable?		
		Yes	No	Not sure
Does public have enough input on Fed decision-making?				
Public has enough input	17%	26%	14%	7%
Public does not have enough input	71%	60%	79%	65%
Not sure	12%	14%	8%	28%

	Base	Enough household savings to feel comfortable?		
		Yes	No	Not sure
Who do you trust most to be a Fed director?				
Bankers and people from financial services companies	16%	19%	15%	14%
Corporate executives	9%	10%	9%	6%
Representatives from community-based organizations, workers' centers, and labor unions	26%	23%	28%	27%
Consumer advocates	15%	12%	17%	11%
Academic scholars	14%	19%	11%	14%
Someone else	11%	10%	12%	11%
Not sure	9%	7%	8%	17%





	Base	Enough household savings to feel comfortable?		
		Yes	No	Not sure
Is director makeup too weighted or about right?				
Too weighted towards the financial and corporate sectors	57%	59%	59%	38%
Too weighted to the non-profit, academic, and community sectors	14%	12%	15%	11%
About right	15%	19%	12%	21%
Not sure	14%	10%	13%	30%

	Base	More household savings than debt?		
		More household savings than debt	More household debt than savings	Not sure
High unemployment problem for economy?				
Major problem	62%	62%	64%	58%
Minor problem	29%	29%	31%	26%
Not a problem at all	5%	8%	2%	4%
Not sure	4%	1%	4%	13%

	Base	More household savings than debt?		
		More household savings than debt	More household debt than savings	Not sure
Low wages problem for economy?				
Major problem	60%	55%	67%	55%
Minor problem	25%	26%	24%	20%
Not a problem at all	12%	14%	6%	16%
Not sure	4%	4%	3%	9%

	Base	More household savings than debt?		
		More household savings than debt	More household debt than savings	Not sure
Income inequality problem for economy?				
Major problem	48%	46%	55%	36%
Minor problem	22%	24%	20%	22%
Not a problem at all	24%	23%	22%	28%
Not sure	6%	7%	2%	14%

	Base	More household savings than debt?		
		More household savings than debt	More household debt than savings	Not sure
Inflation problem for economy?				
Major problem	50%	48%	56%	44%
Minor problem	32%	35%	32%	22%
Not a problem at all	14%	15%	11%	18%
Not sure	4%	2%	1%	15%

	Base	More household savings than debt?		
		More household savings than debt	More household debt than savings	Not sure
Fed prioritize jobs and wages or inflation?				
Fed should prioritize creating more jobs and higher wages	55%	52%	63%	49%
Fed should prioritize ensuring that inflation does not get any higher	38%	45%	30%	36%
Not sure	6%	3%	7%	15%





	Base	More household savings than debt?		
		More household savings than debt	More household debt than savings	Not sure
Pay off loans or get higher interest on savings?				
Paying off loans more easily is more important	50%	31%	75%	54%
Higher interest rates on savings accounts is more important	46%	66%	23%	34%
Not sure	4%	3%	2%	13%

	Base	More household savings than debt?		
		More household savings than debt	More household debt than savings	Not sure
Should Fed raise interest rates or keep low?				
Economy is now doing well enough to raise interest rates	30%	41%	21%	11%
Economy is still recovering, and so the Fed should keep interest rates low	61%	52%	72%	67%
Not sure	9%	7%	6%	23%

	Base	More household savings than debt?		
		More household savings than debt	More household debt than savings	Not sure
Keep rates low or raise them given current economy?				
Keep interest rates low	62%	47%	80%	73%
Raise interest rates	30%	45%	16%	11%
Not sure	8%	8%	5%	16%

	Base	More household savings than debt?		
		More household savings than debt	More household debt than savings	Not sure
Does public have enough input on Fed decision-making?				
Public has enough input	17%	18%	20%	5%
Public does not have enough input	71%	70%	72%	76%
Not sure	12%	12%	8%	19%

	Base	More household savings than debt?		
		More household savings than debt	More household debt than savings	Not sure
Who do you trust most to be a Fed director?				
Bankers and people from financial services companies	16%	15%	18%	15%
Corporate executives	9%	11%	6%	8%
Representatives from community-based organizations, workers' centers, and labor unions	26%	26%	26%	26%
Consumer advocates	15%	15%	20%	5%
Academic scholars	14%	16%	14%	5%
Someone else	11%	10%	9%	17%
Not sure	9%	6%	7%	23%

	Base	More household savings than debt?		
		More household savings than debt	More household debt than savings	Not sure
Is director makeup too weighted or about right?				
Too weighted towards the financial and corporate sectors	57%	58%	64%	35%
Too weighted to the non-profit, academic, and community sectors	14%	13%	13%	21%
About right	15%	19%	9%	17%
Not sure	14%	10%	14%	27%





	Base	Annual household income						
		Less than \$20,000	\$20,000 - \$30,000	\$30,000 - \$50,000	\$50,000 - \$75,000	\$75,000 - \$100,000	More than \$100,000	Don't care to say
High unemployment problem for economy?								
Major problem	62%	80%	74%	53%	59%	62%	46%	68%
Minor problem	29%	6%	14%	40%	29%	36%	43%	25%
Not a problem at all	5%	3%	9%	6%	4%	2%	11%	2%
Not sure	4%	10%	3%	2%	8%	-	-	5%

	Base	Annual household income						
		Less than \$20,000	\$20,000 - \$30,000	\$30,000 - \$50,000	\$50,000 - \$75,000	\$75,000 - \$100,000	More than \$100,000	Don't care to say
Low wages problem for economy?								
Major problem	60%	74%	76%	60%	48%	61%	53%	53%
Minor problem	25%	17%	15%	21%	28%	28%	27%	33%
Not a problem at all	12%	5%	5%	13%	20%	11%	19%	7%
Not sure	4%	4%	3%	6%	4%	1%	1%	8%

	Base	Annual household income						
		Less than \$20,000	\$20,000 - \$30,000	\$30,000 - \$50,000	\$50,000 - \$75,000	\$75,000 - \$100,000	More than \$100,000	Don't care to say
Income inequality problem for economy?								
Major problem	48%	47%	68%	45%	39%	34%	66%	38%
Minor problem	22%	12%	14%	30%	25%	31%	15%	25%
Not a problem at all	24%	33%	13%	23%	27%	31%	14%	28%
Not sure	6%	8%	5%	3%	10%	4%	5%	9%

	Base	Annual household income						
		Less than \$20,000	\$20,000 - \$30,000	\$30,000 - \$50,000	\$50,000 - \$75,000	\$75,000 - \$100,000	More than \$100,000	Don't care to say
Inflation problem for economy?								
Major problem	50%	57%	72%	64%	45%	42%	28%	48%
Minor problem	32%	13%	22%	21%	40%	31%	55%	34%
Not a problem at all	14%	21%	3%	13%	14%	25%	16%	10%
Not sure	4%	9%	4%	2%	1%	1%	1%	8%

	Base	Annual household income						
		Less than \$20,000	\$20,000 - \$30,000	\$30,000 - \$50,000	\$50,000 - \$75,000	\$75,000 - \$100,000	More than \$100,000	Don't care to say
Fed prioritize jobs and wages or inflation?								
Fed should prioritize creating more jobs and higher wages	55%	66%	60%	50%	57%	59%	59%	45%
Fed should prioritize ensuring that inflation does not get any higher	38%	17%	37%	45%	37%	38%	36%	48%
Not sure	6%	18%	3%	5%	6%	4%	5%	7%

	Base	Annual household income						
		Less than \$20,000	\$20,000 - \$30,000	\$30,000 - \$50,000	\$50,000 - \$75,000	\$75,000 - \$100,000	More than \$100,000	Don't care to say
Pay off loans or get higher interest on savings?								
Paying off loans more easily is more important	50%	68%	62%	45%	51%	49%	44%	42%
Higher interest rates on savings accounts is more important	46%	26%	36%	52%	44%	48%	56%	49%
Not sure	4%	5%	2%	3%	5%	2%	-	9%

	Base	Annual household income						
		Less than \$20,000	\$20,000 - \$30,000	\$30,000 - \$50,000	\$50,000 - \$75,000	\$75,000 - \$100,000	More than \$100,000	Don't care to say
Should Fed raise interest rates or keep low?								
Economy is now doing well enough to raise interest rates	30%	17%	28%	33%	25%	36%	44%	22%
Economy is still recovering, and so the Fed should keep interest rates low	61%	68%	65%	63%	65%	55%	56%	62%
Not sure	9%	14%	7%	4%	10%	8%	1%	17%

	Base	Annual household income						
		Less than \$20,000	\$20,000 - \$30,000	\$30,000 - \$50,000	\$50,000 - \$75,000	\$75,000 - \$100,000	More than \$100,000	Don't care to say
Keep rates low or raise them given current economy?								
Keep interest rates low	62%	71%	71%	58%	63%	56%	59%	62%
Raise interest rates	30%	18%	23%	35%	30%	33%	39%	26%
Not sure	8%	11%	6%	7%	8%	11%	2%	13%





	Base	Annual household income						
		Less than \$20,000	\$20,000 - \$30,000	\$30,000 - \$50,000	\$50,000 - \$75,000	\$75,000 - \$100,000	More than \$100,000	Don't care to say
Does public have enough input on Fed decision-making?								
Public has enough input	17%	13%	12%	19%	22%	13%	29%	9%
Public does not have enough input	71%	74%	81%	73%	71%	73%	58%	73%
Not sure	12%	12%	8%	8%	6%	15%	13%	18%

	Base	Annual household income						
		Less than \$20,000	\$20,000 - \$30,000	\$30,000 - \$50,000	\$50,000 - \$75,000	\$75,000 - \$100,000	More than \$100,000	Don't care to say
Who do you trust most to be a Fed director?								
Bankers and people from financial services companies	16%	12%	16%	14%	22%	8%	20%	19%
Corporate executives	9%	8%	11%	8%	7%	9%	7%	12%
Representatives from community-based organizations, workers' centers, and labor unions	26%	25%	33%	35%	27%	31%	13%	21%
Consumer advocates	15%	27%	10%	25%	7%	14%	11%	13%
Academic scholars	14%	4%	8%	7%	15%	15%	36%	9%
Someone else	11%	14%	8%	3%	18%	19%	10%	8%
Not sure	9%	11%	13%	6%	3%	4%	3%	18%

	Base	Annual household income						
		Less than \$20,000	\$20,000 - \$30,000	\$30,000 - \$50,000	\$50,000 - \$75,000	\$75,000 - \$100,000	More than \$100,000	Don't care to say
Is director makeup too weighted or about right?								
Too weighted towards the financial and corporate sectors	57%	61%	47%	73%	49%	72%	60%	41%
Too weighted to the non-profit, academic, and community sectors	14%	7%	21%	12%	18%	9%	15%	14%
About right	15%	5%	7%	8%	25%	14%	17%	25%
Not sure	14%	27%	25%	7%	7%	5%	8%	20%

