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Welcome Back to the SSRS Opinion Panel! We would like to ask you some questions that you will find quite interesting.

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PN: FORCE RESPONSE

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ASK ALL

S1.   We value your opinions and appreciate your participation in this survey!

Please use care when answering the following questions. Should our quality checks determine that you have not provided thoughtful attention to this survey, you may be disqualified and forfeit the associated rewards. Please indicate if you agree or disagree with the following statement.

I will read each question thoroughly and I will respond to all questions thoughtfully and honestly.

1   I agree
2   I disagree   (TERMINATE)

ASK ALL

S2.   What is your age?

_____ *PN: Acceptable range is 18-98*
99   Prefer not to say

PN: Ask S2a if S2=Prefer not to say (99).

ASK IF AGE NOT GIVEN (S2=99)

S2a.   Are you…

0   Under 18
1   18-24
2   25-29
3   30-44
4   45-49
5   50-64
6   65+
9   Prefer not to say   (TERMINATE)

PN: If under 18 in S2 or S2a, TERMINATE.

PN: Only qualified respondents continue here. All others TERMINATE.

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ASK ALL
[THIS IS A1 FROM X4371]

A1.   Some people seem to follow what's going on in politics most of the time, whether there's an election going on or not. Others aren't that interested. How often do you follow what's going on in politics…?

1   Most of the time
2   Some of the time
3   Only now and then
4   Hardly at all
999   *Web Blank*

ASK ALL
[THIS IS A2 FROM X4371]

A2.   Are you registered to vote at your present address, or not?

1   Yes
2   No
999   *Web Blank*

PN: If 2 in A2, ask A2b. Otherwise, skip to A3.
[THIS IS A2B FROM X4371]

A2b.   Do you plan to register to vote, or is there a chance that you may not register?

1   Plan to Register
2   Chance May Not Register
999   *Web Blank*

ASK ALL
[THIS WAS MODIFIED A3 FROM X4371]

A3.   What are the chances that you will vote in the November 2024 general election for president, Congress, and other offices -- are you absolutely certain to vote, very likely to vote, are the chances 50-50, don't you think you will vote, or have you already voted either by absentee ballot or early in person voting?

1   Absolutely certain
2   Very Likely
3   Chances 50-50
4   Don't think will vote
5   Already voted (absentee or early in person)
999   *Web Blank*

[THIS IS A4 FROM X4371]

A4.   How enthusiastic are you about voting in the elections in November 2024 for president and other offices? Would you say you are very, somewhat, not too, or not at all enthusiastic?

1   Very enthusiastic
2   Somewhat enthusiastic
3   Not too enthusiastic
4   Not at all enthusiastic
999   *Web Blank*

SECTION B: 2024 VOTE

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ASK ALL
PN: Randomize Codes 1-2 wording <u>and</u> response codes in B1; include order variable in data.
[THIS IS B1 FROM X4371]

B1.   If the 2024 election for president were held today between [Vice President Kamala Harris, the Democrat,] and [Former President Donald Trump, the Republican,] would you vote for [Kamala Harris] or for [Donald Trump]?

1   Kamala Harris
2   Donald Trump
3   Someone else
4   Wouldn't vote
999   *Web Blank*

ASK IF 3, 4 in B1
PN: Rotate order of candidate names and response codes 1-4 and 4-1 in same order as shown in B1.
[THIS IS B2B FROM X4371]

B1b.   If you had to choose, would you vote for [Harris] or for [Trump]?

1   Definitely Kamala Harris
2   Probably Kamala Harris
3   Probably Donald Trump
4   Definitely Donald Trump
999   *Web Blank*

ASK ALL

B2.   If the presidential ballot included additional candidates, would you vote for [Democrat Kamala Harris], [Republican Donald Trump], [independent Robert F. Kennedy Jr.], [the Libertarian Chase Oliver], the Green Party's Jill Stein], or [independent Cornel West]?

    1   Democrat, Kamala Harris
    2   Republican, Donald Trump
    3   Independent Robert F. Kennedy Jr.
    4   The Libertarian Party's Chase Oliver
    5   The Green Party's Jill Stein
    6   Independent Cornel West
    999   *Web Blank*

ASK ALL
PN: Randomize Codes 1-2 wording <u>and</u> response codes in B3. include order variable in data.
[THIS IS B3 FROM X4371]

B3.   If the elections were held today for U.S. Congress in your state, would you be more likely to vote for the [Republican candidate] or the [Democratic candidate]?

    1   The Republican candidate
    2   The Democratic candidate
    999   *Web Blank*

[ASK ALL]
[PN: Randomize candidate order in the question text and response option in the same order. If Harris is asked first, options should be 1-4; If Trump is asked first, options should be 4-1.]
[THIS IS B4 FROM X4371]

B4.   Regardless of how you plan to vote, who do you think will win the presidential election if {Kamala Harris is the Democratic] candidate and [Donald Trump is the Republican] candidate?

    [PN: IF CATI:] (READ LIST)

    1   Definitely Harris
    2   Probably Harris
    3   Probably Trump
    4   Definitely Trump
    999   *Web Blank*

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ASK ALL
[THIS IS C1 FROM X4371]

C1.   Overall, how much do you approve or disapprove of the way the U.S. Supreme Court is handling its job?

    1   Strongly approve
    2   Somewhat approve
    3   Somewhat disapprove
    4   Strongly disapprove
    999   *Web Blank*

ASK ALL
PN: Randomize order of C2-C5b; Show as grid. include order variable in data.
[THIS IS C2-C5 FROM X4371; OMIT C6 FROM X4371]
Here is a list of institutions in American society. How much confidence do you have in each one?

		A great deal	Quite a lot	Some	Very little	None at all
C2.	The U.S. Supreme Court	1	2	3	4	5
C3.	Congress	1	2	3	4	5
C4.	The Presidency	1	2	3	4	5
C5.	The national news media	1	2	3	4	5
C5b	The U.S. Secret Service	1	2	3	4	5

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ASK ALL
PN: Rotate "Democratic" and "Republican" in question wording and response codes 1-4 and 4-1 so half of sample get each order; include order variable in data.
[THIS IS C7 FROM X4371]

C6.   What is your guess as to whether a majority of the current U.S. Supreme Court justices were appointed by Democratic or Republican presidents?

    1   Definitely a majority appointed by Democratic presidents
    2   Probably a majority appointed by Democratic presidents
    3   Probably a majority appointed by Republican presidents
    4   Definitely a majority appointed by Republican presidents
    999   *Web Blank*

ASK ALL
[THIS IS C8 FROM X4371]

C7. Thinking about the last month only, how much have you heard or read about the U.S. Supreme Court?

1   A lot
2   A little
3   Nothing at all
999   *Web Blank*

ASK ALL
PN Randomize response order in C9. *include order variable in data.*
[THIS IS C9 FROM X4371]

C8. In general, what most often motivates Supreme Court justices' decisions?

1   Mainly politics
2   Mainly the law
999   *Web Blank*

ASK ALL
[THIS IS C10 FROM X4371]

C9. How would you rate the honesty and ethical standards of U.S. Supreme Court justices?

1   Very high
2   High
3   Average
4   Low
5   Very low
999   *Web Blank*

[NEW QUESTION]
How much do you favor or oppose the following proposals affecting the Supreme Court?

		Strongly favor	Somewhat favor	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose
C10	Increase the number of justices on the US Supreme Court	1	2	3	4
C11	Have judges serve a fixed term on the court rather than serving life terms	1	2	3	4
C12	Enforce a strict ethics code for Supreme Court justices	1	2	3	4

999   **[PN: IF WEB:]**   *Web Blank*

ASK ALL
[NEW QUESTION]
C13.   How important is the choice of the next Supreme Court justice to you personally?

1. Very important
2. Somewhat important
3. Not too important
4. Not at all important

999 **[PN: IF WEB:]**   *Web Blank*

PN Randomize order of C14-C19

ASK ALL
[THIS IS C12 FROM X4371]
C14.   In July, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that, while there is no immunity for unofficial acts, former presidents have broad immunity from criminal prosecution for official acts as president.

How much do you favor or oppose this decision?

1   Strongly favor
2   Somewhat favor
3   Somewhat oppose
4   Strongly oppose
999   **Web Blank**

ASK ALL
[THIS IS C14 FROM X4371]

C15.   In June, the U.S. Supreme Court maintained access to a widely available abortion pill, mifepristone, rejecting a bid from a group seeking to undo the Food and Drug Administration's approval of the pill.

How much do you favor or oppose this decision?

1   Strongly favor
2   Somewhat favor
3   Somewhat oppose
4   Strongly oppose
999   **Web Blank**

ASK ALL
[THIS IS C18 FROM X4371]

C16.   In 2015, the Supreme Court ruled that the Constitution guarantees a right to same-sex marriage.

How much do you favor or oppose this decision?

1   Strongly favor
2   Somewhat favor
3   Somewhat oppose
4   Strongly oppose
999   *Web Blank*

ASK ALL
[THIS IS C19 FROM X4371]

C17.   In 2022, the Supreme Court overturned *Roe versus Wade*, thus striking down the 1973 decision that made abortion legal in all 50 states.

How much do you favor or oppose this decision?

1   Strongly favor
2   Somewhat favor
3   Somewhat oppose
4   Strongly oppose
999   *Web Blank*

C18. In 2022, the Supreme Court ruled that, subject to some restrictions, the Second Amendment protects an individual's right to carry a handgun for self-defense outside the home.

How much do you favor or oppose this decision?

1 Strongly favor
2 Somewhat favor
3 Somewhat oppose
4 Strongly oppose
999 *Web Blank*

C19. In 2023, the Supreme Court ruled that colleges cannot use race as a factor in deciding which applicants to admit.

How much do you favor or oppose this decision?

1 Strongly favor
2 Somewhat favor
3 Somewhat oppose
4 Strongly oppose
999 **[PN: IF WEB:]** *Web Blank*

C20. Which comes closest to your view about undocumented immigrants who are currently working in the U.S.?

1. They should be allowed to stay in their jobs and to eventually apply for U.S. citizenship
2. They should be allowed to stay in their jobs only as temporary guest workers but not to apply for U.S. citizenship
3. They should be required to leave their jobs and leave the U.S.
999 **[PN: IF WEB:]** *Web Blank*

SECTION D: APPROVAL RATINGS AND FAVORABILITY

[ASK ALL]
[NEW QUESTION]
D1.   Do you feel things in this country are generally going in the right direction, or do you feel things have gotten off on the wrong track?

  1   Right direction
  2   Wrong track
  999   [PN: IF WEB:] WEB BLANK

ASK ALL
[THIS IS D3 FROM X4371]
D2.   How would you describe the state of the nation's economy these days?

  1   Excellent
  2   Good
  3   Not so good
  4   Poor
  999   *Web Blank*

PN: Randomize order of D3-D4. include order variable in data.

ASK ALL
[THIS IS D1 FROM X4371]
D3.   Overall, how much do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling his job as president?

  1   Strongly approve
  2   Somewhat approve
  3   Somewhat disapprove
  4   Strongly disapprove
  999   *Web Blank*

ASK ALL
[THIS IS D2 FROM X4371]
D4.   Overall, how much do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump handled his job when he was president?

  1   Strongly approve
  2   Somewhat approve
  3   Somewhat disapprove
  4   Strongly disapprove
  999   *Web Blank*

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PN: Ask D5 first, then randomize order of D6-D10.
[THIS IS D4-D11 FROM X4371 WITH SOME OMISSIONS]
Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of the following people or haven't you heard enough yet to have an opinion?

(Please select one response for each.)

		Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Haven't heard enough
D5.	Joe Biden	1	2	3	4	5
D6.	Kamala Harris	1	2	3	4	5
D7.	Robert F. Kennedy, Jr	1	2	3	4	5
D8.	Donald Trump	1	2	3	4	5
D9.	J.D. Vance	1	2	3	4	5
D10.	Tim Walz	1	2	3	4	5

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PN: Randomize order of D11-D13.
[THIS IS D12-D14 FROM X4371]
Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of the following groups and organizations or haven't you heard enough yet to have an opinion?

(Please select one response for each.)

		Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Haven't heard enough
D11.	The Democratic Party	1	2	3	4	5
D12.	The Republican Party	1	2	3	4	5
D13.	The MAGA (Make America Great Again) movement	1	2	3	4	5

999   **Web Blank**

D14.   Did you watch the debate between Kamala Harris and Donald Trump on September 10?

    1   Watched all of it
    2   Watched part of it
    3   Did not watch
    999   **Web Blank**

SECTION F: IDEOLOGY RATINGS AND ISSUES

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PN: Randomize order of F1-F5 Show as grid. include order variable in data.
[THIS IS F1-F5 FROM X4371]
ASK ALL
In general, would you describe each of the following as…?

(Please select one response for each.)

		Very conservative	Somewhat conservative	Moderate	Somewhat liberal	Very liberal
F1.	The U.S. Supreme Court	1	2	3	4	5
F2.	Kamala Harris	1	2	3	4	5
F3.	Donald Trump	1	2	3	4	5
F4.	The Republican Party	1	2	3	4	5
F5.	The Democratic Party	1	2	3	4	5

    999   **Web Blank**

[THIS IS F6-F13 FROM X4371]

Do you think Kamala Harris or Donald Trump would do a better job handling each of the following issues?

(Please select one response for each.)

		Harris	Trump	Both about the same	Neither good
F6.	The economy	1	2	3	4
F7.	Immigration and border security	1	2	3	4
F8.	Handling the war between Israel and Hamas in Gaza	1	2	3	4
F9.	Health care	1	2	3	4
F10.	Foreign relations	1	2	3	4
F11.	Abortion policy	1	2	3	4
F12.	Medicare & Social Security	1	2	3	4
F13.	Ensuring fair and accurate elections	1	2	3	4

999   **Web Blank**

PN: Randomize asking F14-F20 first or F21-F27 first. *include order variable in data.*

PN: Randomize order of F14-F20 and use same order for F21-F27. *include order variable in data.*

[THIS IS F14-F18B FROM X4371. F20 IS NEW.]

How well does each of the following phrases describe Kamala Harris?

		Very well	Somewhat well	Not too well	Not at all well
F14.	Is too old to be president	1	2	3	4
F15.	Shares your values	1	2	3	4
F16.	Has behaved corruptly	1	2	3	4
F17.	Has a strong record of accomplishments as vice president	1	2	3	4
F18.	Has the right temperament to be president	1	2	3	4
F19.	Is a strong leader	1	2	3	4
F20.	Is intelligent	1	2	3	4

999   **Web Blank**

ASK ALL

PN: Randomize order of F14-F20 and use same order for F21-F27

[THIS IS F19-F23B FROM X4371. F27 IS NEW.]

How well does each of the following phrases describe Donald Trump?

		Very well	Somewhat well	Not too well	Not at all well
F21.	Is too old to be president	1	2	3	4
F22.	Shares your values	1	2	3	4
F23.	Has behaved corruptly	1	2	3	4
F24.	Had a strong record of accomplishments as president	1	2	3	4
F25.	Has the right temperament to be president	1	2	3	4
F26.	Is a strong leader	1	2	3	4
F27.	Is intelligent	1	2	3	4

999   **Web Blank**

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[PN: Single response. Randomize order of response options 1-8] *include order variable in data.*
[THIS IS F24 FROM X4371]

F28.   Which one of the following issues will be MOST important in deciding your vote for president?

1   The economy
2   Immigration and border security
3   Healthcare
4   Foreign relations
5   Abortion policy
6   Medicare & Social Security
7   The war between Israel and Hamas in Gaza
8   Ensuring fair and accurate elections
998   Don't know
999   WEB BLANK

F29.   Do you think it will be better for the future of the country if we take an active part in world affairs, or if we stay out of world affairs?

1   Take an active part in world affairs
2   Stay out of world affairs
999   *Web Blank*

F30.   When it comes to Russia's invasion of Ukraine, do you think the United States is providing too much support to Ukraine, not enough support to Ukraine, or about the right amount of support to Ukraine?

1   Too much support
2   Not enough support
3   About the right amount of support
999   *Web Blank*

SECTION K: Other policy issues

PN: Insert start time stamp.

PN: Randomize so half get K1a and half get K1b.
[THIS IS K1A FROM X4371]

K1a.   Do you favor or oppose deporting immigrants who are living in the United States illegally back to their home countries?

1   Strongly favor
2   Somewhat favor
3   Somewhat oppose
4   Strongly oppose

999   *Web Blank*

PN: Randomize so half get K1a and half get K1b.
[THIS IS K1B FROM X4371]

K1b.   Do you favor or oppose deporting immigrants who are living in the United States illegally back to their home countries even if they have lived here for a number of years, have jobs and no criminal record?

1   Strongly favor
2   Somewhat favor
3   Somewhat oppose
4   Strongly oppose
999   *Web Blank*

[PN: Randomize order of K2 and K3 and record order as a variable]
ASK ALL
[NEW QUESTION]

K2.   How confident are you that, across the country, the votes for president were accurately cast and counted in the 2020 election?

1   Very confident
2   Somewhat confident
3   Not too confident
4   Not at all confident
99   *Web Blank*

ASK ALL
[NEW QUESTION]

K3.   How confident are you that, across the country, the votes for president will be accurately cast and counted in the 2024 election?

1   Very confident
2   Somewhat confident
3   Not too confident
4   Not at all confident
99   *Web Blank*

ASK ALL
[THIS IS K2 FROM X4371]

K4.   Thinking about your family's financial situation, would you say you are living comfortably, just getting by, or struggling to make ends meet?

1   Living comfortably
2   Just getting by
3   Struggling
999   *Web Blank*

SECTION X: CALIBRATION ITEMS

[ALL SECTION X QUESTIONS ARE THE SAME AS X4371]

PN: Randomize order of X1-X2. Save order in data.

ASK ALL

X1.   How much of the time do you think you can trust the government in Washington to do what is right?

1   Just about always
2   Most of the time
3   Only some of the time
4   Never
999   *Web Blank*

ASK ALL

X2.   Generally speaking, would you say that most people can be trusted, or most people can't be trusted?

1   Most people can be trusted
2   Most people can't be trusted
999   *Web Blank*

PN: IF WEB, AUTOPUNCH INT1=1

ASK ALL

INT1.   (pINT1) Do you use the internet or email, at least occasionally?

1   Yes
2   No
999   *Web Blank*

PN: ASK IF WEB OR pINT1=1

INTFREQ.   About how often do you use the internet?

1.   Almost constantly
2.   Several times a day
3.   About once a day
4.   Several times a week
5.   Less often
999   *Web Blank*

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SECTION Z: DEMOGRAPHICS

[ALL SECTION Z QUESTIONS ARE THE SAME AS X4371]

ASK ALL

Z1.   Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, or an Independent?

1   Republican
2   Democrat
3   Independent
4   Other/No preference
999   *Web Blank*

PN: If 1 or 2 in Z1, ask Z2A. Otherwise, skip to Z2B.

ASK IF REPUBLICAN OR DEMOCRAT (Z1= 1 OR 2)

Z2A.   Would you call yourself a strong [IF Z1=1: Republican] [IF Z1=2: Democrat], or a not very strong [IF Z1=1: Republican] [IF Z1=2: Democrat]?

1   Strong
2   Not very strong
999   *Web Blank*

PN: If 3 or 4 in Z1, ask Z2B.

ASK IF INDEPENDENT OR OTHER (Z1= 3 OR 4)

Z2B.   Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican Party or to the Democratic Party?

1   Republican
2   Democratic
3   Neither
999   *Web Blank*

ASK ALL

Z3.   Aside from weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services?

1   More than once a week
2   Once a week
3   Once or twice a month
4   A few times a year
5   Seldom
6   Never
999   *Web Blank*

ASK ALL

Z4.   Would you describe yourself as a "born-again" or evangelical Christian, or not?

1	Yes, would
2	No, would not
999	*Web Blank*

PN: This is pPolview reasked.

ASK ALL

Z5. Generally speaking, how would you describe your political views?

1	Very conservative
2	Somewhat conservative
3	Moderate
4	Somewhat liberal
5	Very liberal
999	*Web Blank*

PN: Z6-Z7 are calibration questions for weighing. Z6 is pTALKNEIGH internally and Z7 is pVOLUNTEER internally. Note that for each Court Survey, these two questions may be adjusted related to context around the COVID-19 pandemic.

ASK ALL

Z6. During the last 12 months, how often did you talk with any of your neighbors?

1	Basically, every day
2	A few times a week
3	A few times a month
4	Once a month
5	Less than once a month
6	Not at all
999	*Web Blank*

ASK ALL

Z7. We are interested in volunteer activities for which people are not paid, except perhaps expenses. In the last 12 months, have you done any volunteer activities through or for an organization?

1	Yes
2	No
999	*Web Blank*

PN: Insert end time stamp.

ASK ALL

GE2020. Did you vote in the general election in 2020?

1	Yes, did vote in the 2020 general election
2	No, did not vote in the 2020 general election

999   Web Blank

ASK IF VOTED IN 2020
Z8.   Which presidential candidate did you vote for in 2020?

1   Donald Trump
2   Joe Biden
3   Jo Jorgensen
4   Howie Hawkins
5   Another candidate
6   Did not vote in that election
999   Web Blank

PN: Z9-Z10 are also calibration questions for weighing. Z9 is pOWNHOME internally and Z10 is pADULTS internally.

ASK ALL
Z9.   Is your home owned or rented?

001 Owned
002 Rented
999 Web Blank

ASK ALL
Z10.   Including yourself, how many adults age 18 or older are there living in your household?

001 1
002 2
003 3
004 4
005 5
006 6
007 7
008 8 or more
999 *Web Blank*