

# Common Ground in the Commonwealth Q3 Survey

n800 Registered Pennsylvania Voters Field Dates: September 21-24, 2023 Margin of Error: ± 3.46%



## Methodology

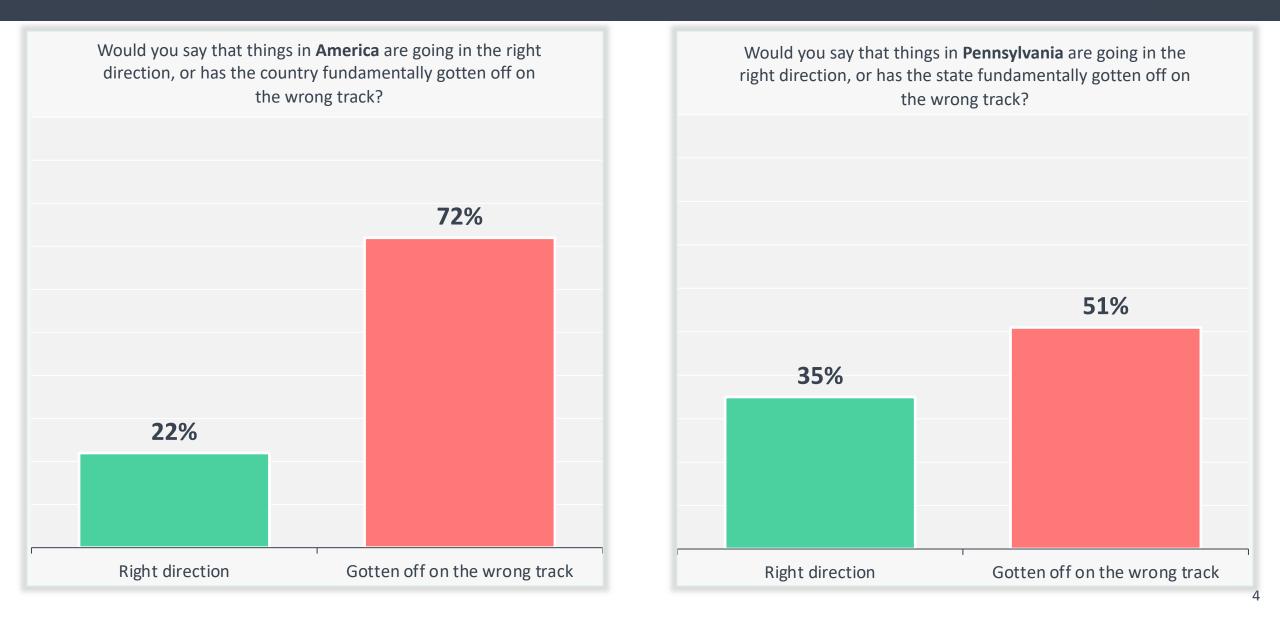
- Online survey conducted September 21-24, 2023, among n800 registered Pennsylvania voters statewide. Respondents were selected randomly from opt-in panel participants.
- Sampling controls were used to ensure that a proportional and representative number of respondents were interviewed from such demographic groups as partisanship, age, gender, race, and geographic region.
- Statewide survey of registered voters has a ± 3.46% overall margin of error at the 95% confidence interval.
- Past polling can be found at <u>http://commongroundpoll.com/</u>

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# **Commonwealth Sentiment Series**

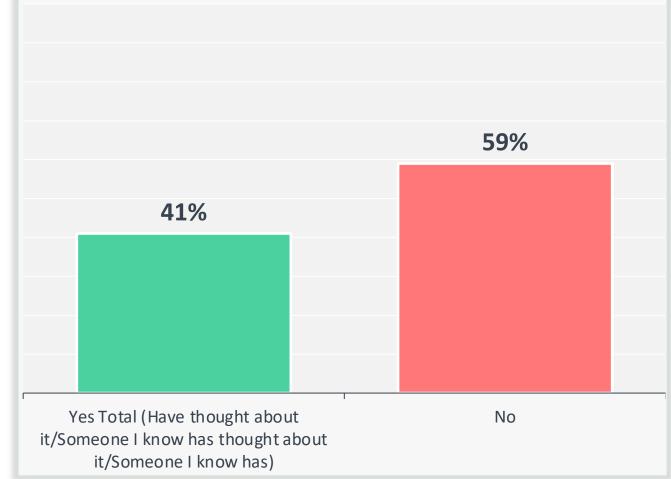


Over 7-in-10 registered Pennsylvania voters feel the **country** has gotten off on the wrong track, and over half feel the **Commonwealth** has gotten off on the wrong track.



**PA's Brain-Drain:** *over half of respondents younger than 30* have thought about leaving the state, know someone who has thought about leaving, or know someone who has already left due to Pennsylvania's policies.

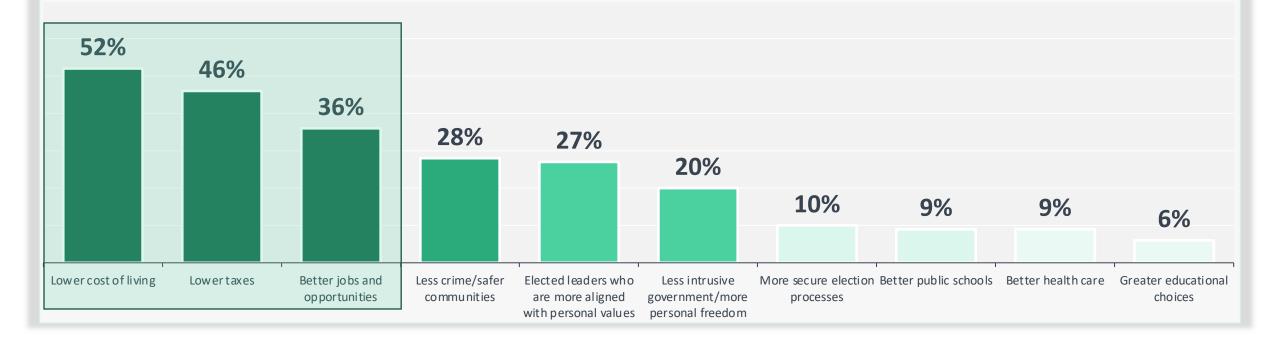
Have you or someone you know thought about leaving Pennsylvania for a different state due to Pennsylvania's policies? (SELECT ALL THAT APPLY)... (ALLOW MULTIPLE RESPONSES FOR 1-3)



Subgroup	Total Yes	No	Differential
<b>Female</b> (52%)	39%	61%	-22%
<b>Male</b> (48%)	44%	56%	-12%
Democratic (39%)	28%	72%	-44%
Independent (23%)	47%	53%	-6%
Republican (38%)	<b>52%</b>	48%	4%
<b>18-29</b> (13%)	58%	42%	16%
<b>30-44</b> (23%)	46%	54%	-8%
<b>45-64</b> (37%)	43%	57%	-14%
<b>65+</b> (27%)	28%	72%	-44% 🕈
<b>Urban</b> (22%)	50%	50%	0%
Suburban (56%)	39%	61%	-22%
<b>Rural</b> (22%)	40%	60%	<b>-20%</b>
<b>&lt;\$40K</b> (26%)	43%	57%	-14%
<b>\$40-\$79K</b> (33%)	43%	57%	-14%
<b>\$80-\$125K</b> (24%)	40%	60%	-20%
<b>\$125+</b> (15%)	36%	64%	- <b>28%</b>

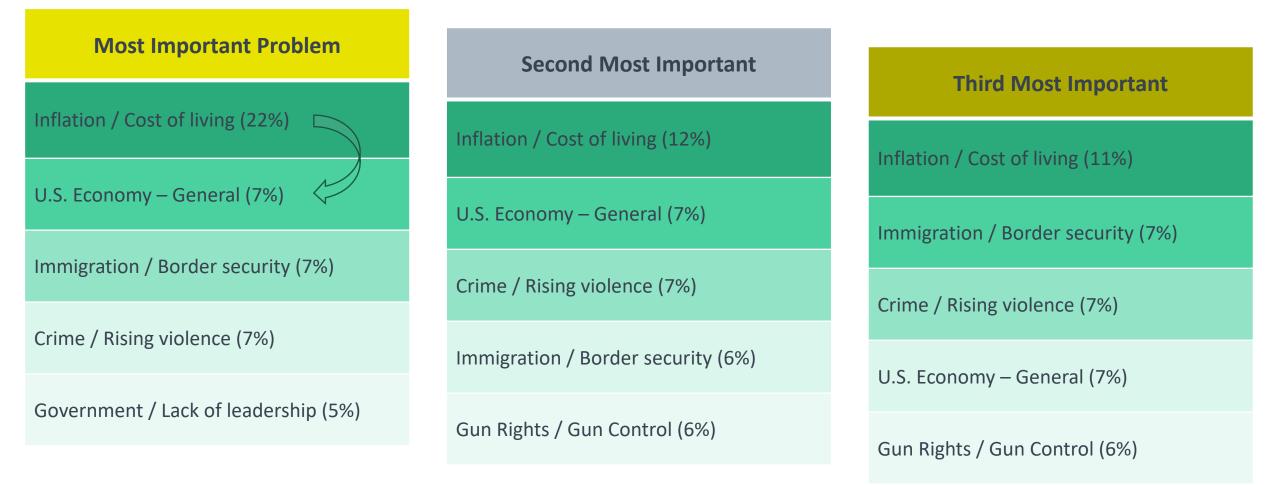
It's the economy, stupid: Top three reasons people consider leaving Pennsylvania to live in another state include *lower cost of living, lower taxes, and better jobs and opportunities.* 

What was the primary reason for thinking about moving from Pennsylvania to another state? (Among 338 who responded 'yes' on previous...) (ALLOW FOR 3 RESPONSES)



**National Issues:** Of the 27 issues tested, *Inflation/cost of living* is far-and-away (15 points) seen as the most important problem facing the nation, with the *U.S. Economy, immigration/border security, and crime/rising violence* ranking as high secondary concerns.

Please rank the three most important problems facing the country today, with 1 being the most important problem facing the country. (Top 5 responses for each rank shown)



**PA Issues: Inflation/cost of living** is the most important, second most important and third most import problems facing the state, as **crime/rising violence** secures spot as next most important.

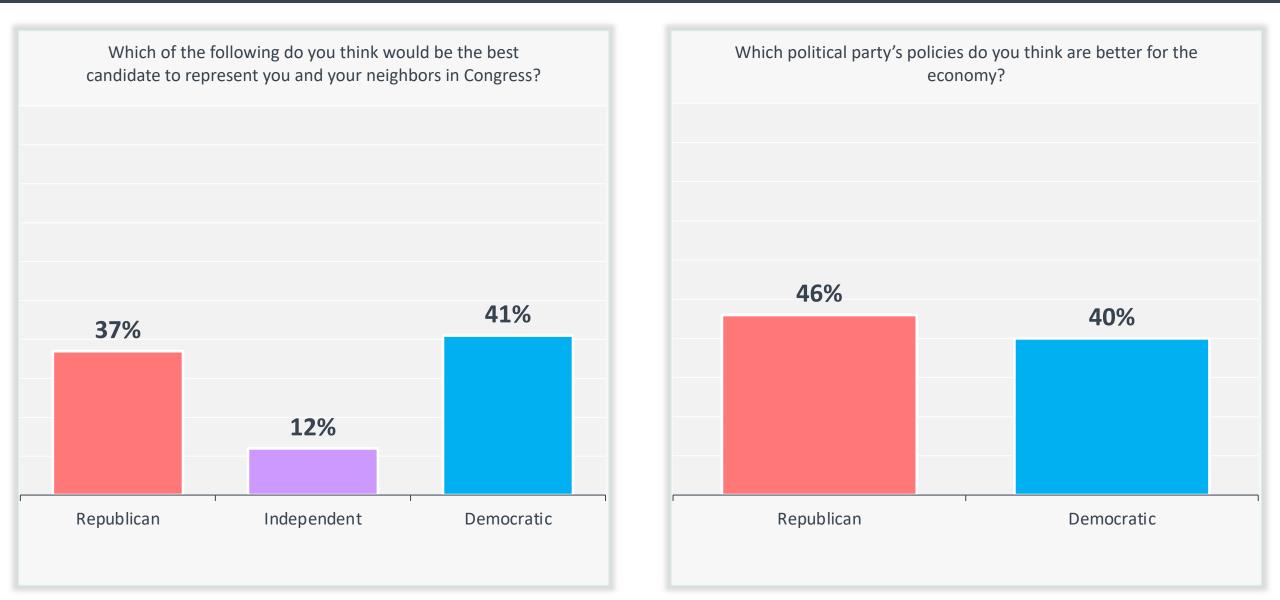
Please rank the three most important problems facing Pennsylvania today, with 1 being the most important problem facing the country. (Top 5 responses for each rank shown)

Most Important Problem	Second Most Important	Third Most Important	
Inflation / Cost of living (25%)	Inflation / Cost of living (13%)	Inflation (Cost of living (120()	
Crime / Rising violence (11%)		Inflation / Cost of living (13%)	
	Crime / Rising violence (10%)	Crime / Rising violence (11%)	
Gun rights / Gun control (7%)			
	PA Economy – General (8%)	PA Economy – General (7%)	
Taxes (7%)			
	Taxes (7%)	Health Care (5%)	
PA Economy – General (5%)			
	Poverty / Homelessness (6%)	Taxes (5%)	

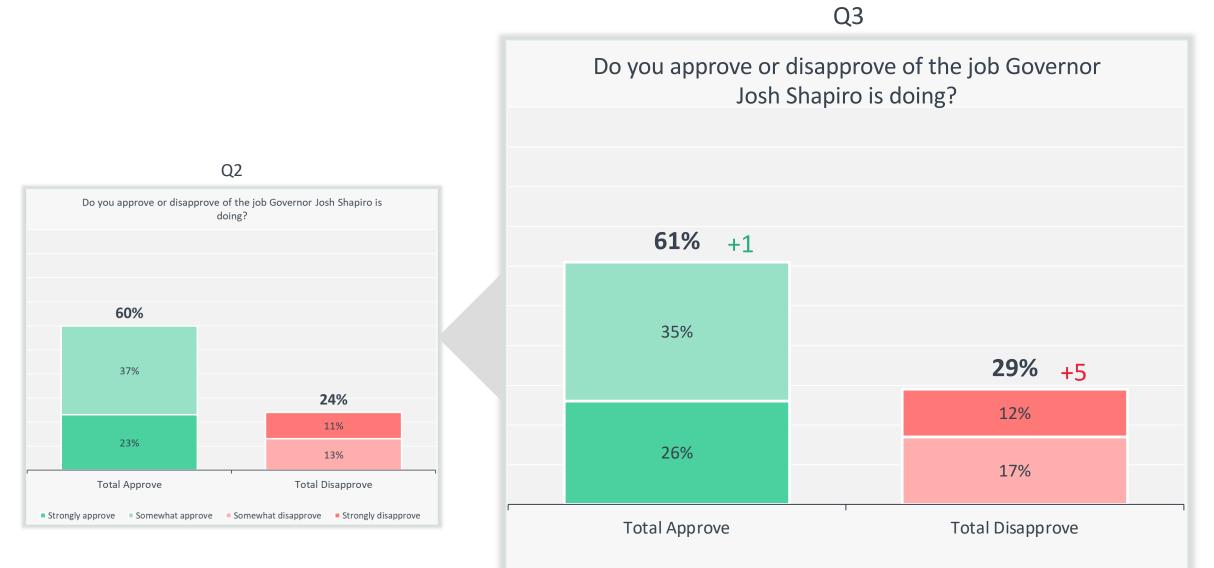
## Pennsylvania Policy & Elected Official Series



**Split Sentiment:** By a narrow margin, respondents believe the best candidate to represent them in Congress would be a Democrat, though they believe the Republican party's policies are better for the economy.

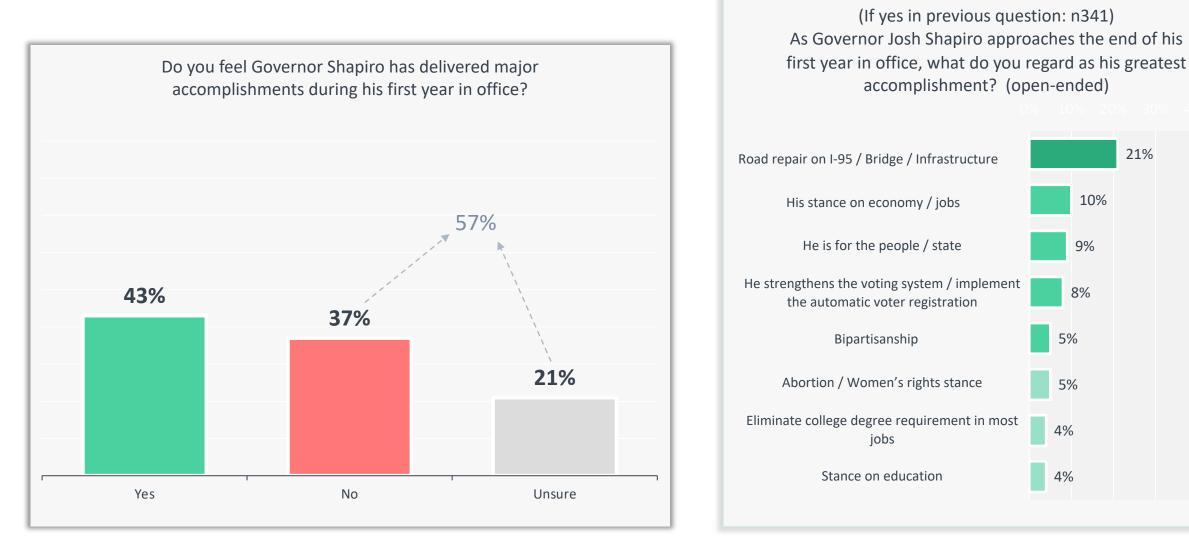


Governor Shapiro continues to enjoy a positive job approval rating, though as he becomes more known, opinions of Gov. Shapiro are becoming more defined. (from Q2 to Q3).



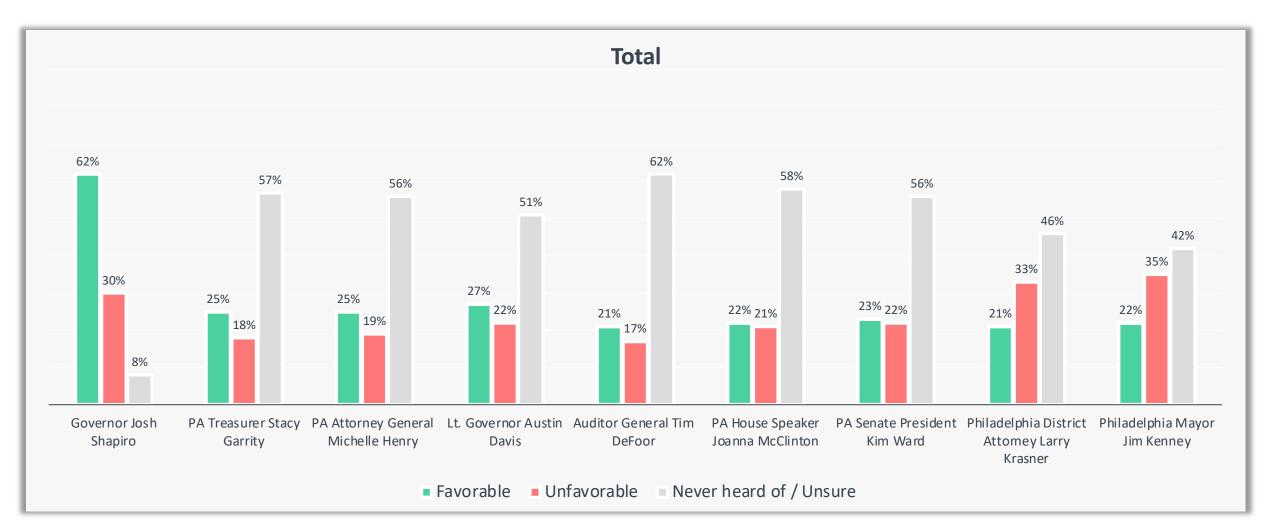
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# Over half of registered voters (57%) are *unsure* or *do not believe* that Governor Shapiro has delivered major accomplishments during his first year in office.



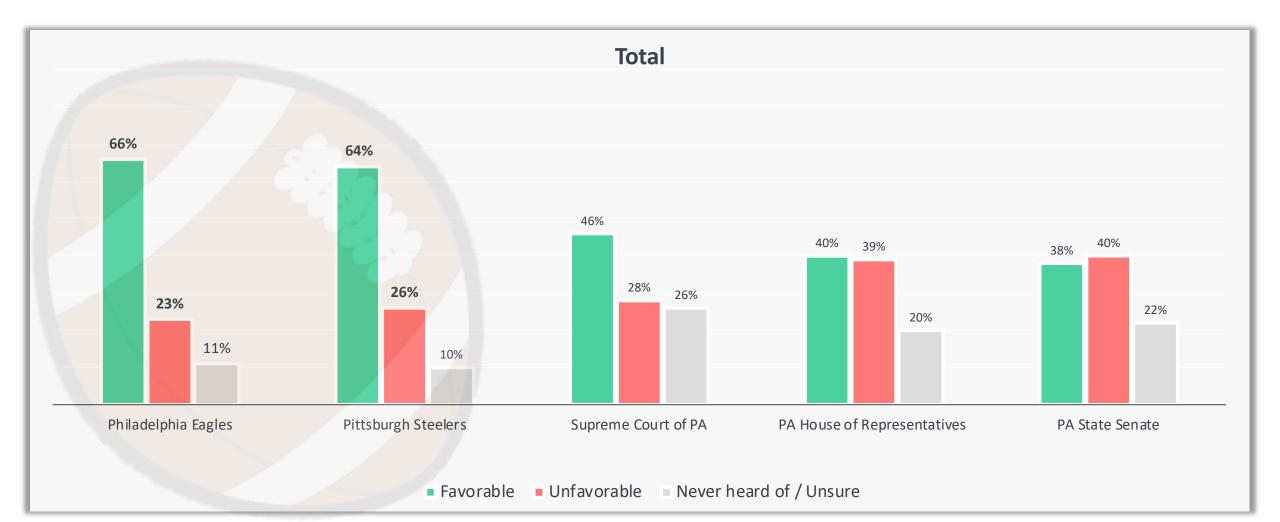
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...Individuals by favorability differential

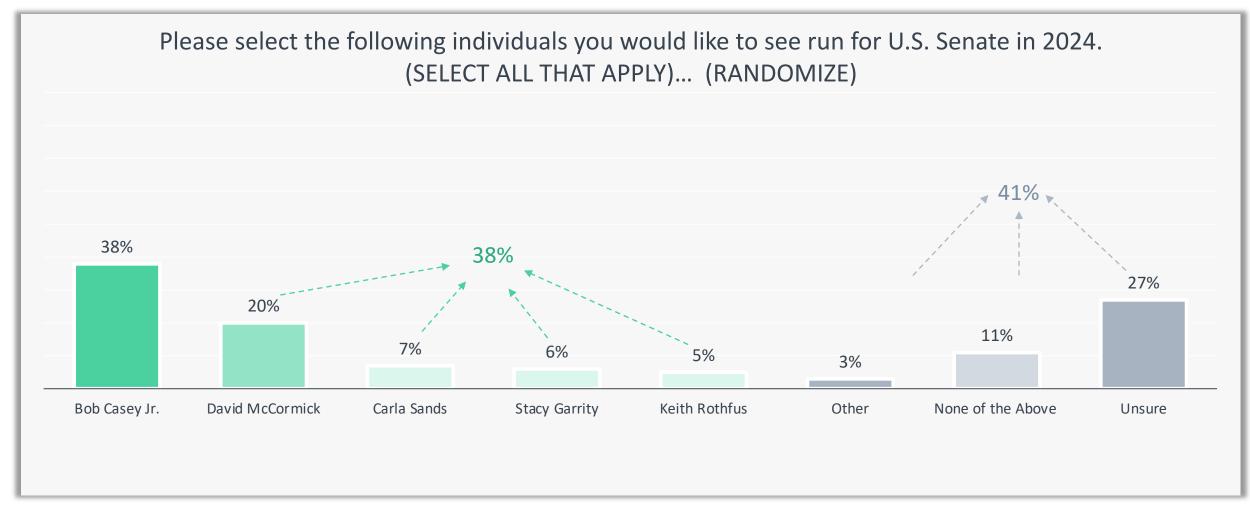


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**The Toss-Up Senate:** Bob Casey Jr. garners similar amounts of support as potential Republican challengers combined, with a plurality of voters **unsure** or still looking for candidate options.



#### In considering the 2023 Pennsylvania Supreme Court election, who are you most likely to support?

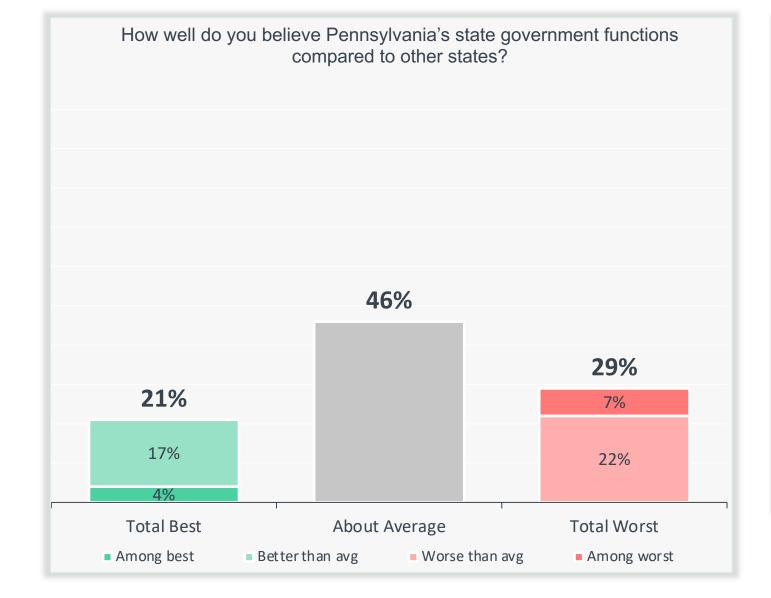
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		22%
Carolyn Tornetta Carluccio	Daniel McCaffery	Unsure
(Republican)	(Democrat)	Onstite

Subgroup	Republican	Democratic	Unsure
<b>Female</b> (52%)	40%	51%	-11%
<b>Male</b> (48%)	50%	44%	6%
Democratic (39%)	4%	93%	-89%
Independent (23%)	42%	38%	4%
Republican (38%)	89%	6%	83%
<b>18-29</b> (13%)	36%	54%	-18%
<b>30-44</b> (23%)	46%	48%	-2%
<b>45-64</b> (37%)	47%	46%	1%
<b>65+</b> (27%)	46%	45%	1%
<b>Urban</b> (22%)	29%	57%	<b>-28%</b>
Suburban (56%)	44%	50%	-6%
Rural (22%)	62%	32%	30%
< <b>\$40K</b> (26%)	40%	<b>52%</b>	-12%
<b>\$40-\$79K</b> (33%)	48%	44%	4%
<b>\$80-\$125K</b> (24%)	49%	45%	4%
<b>\$125+</b> (15%)	41%	52%	-11%

# **State Policy Series**



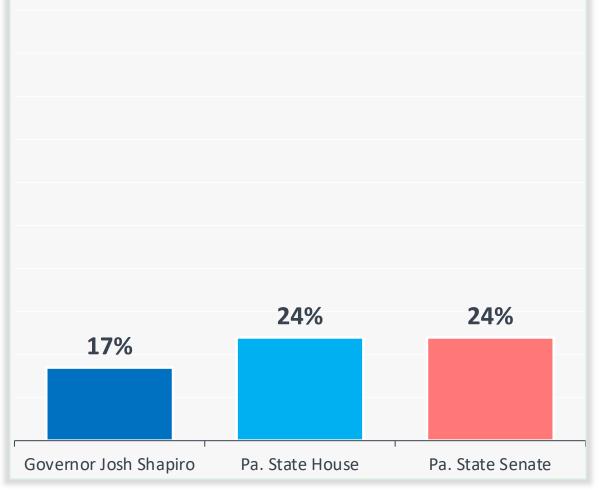
Party identification is a key indicator in determining whether a voter believes Pennsylvania's state government functions are better or worse compared to other states.



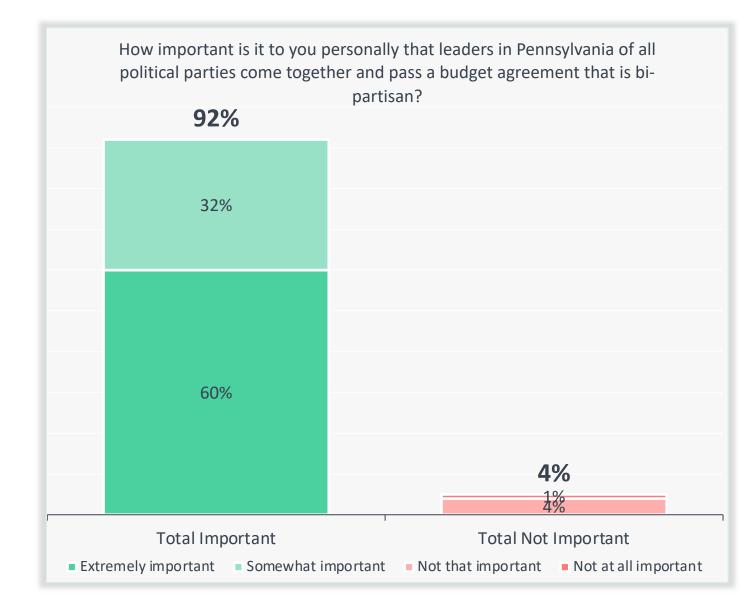
Subgroup	Total Best	Total Worst	Differential
<b>Female</b> (52%)	22%	24%	<b>-2%</b>
<b>Male</b> (48%)	21%	33%	-12%
Democratic (39%)	31%	14%	17%
Independent (23%)	19%	31%	-12%
Republican (38%)	12%	42%	-30%
<b>18-29</b> (13%)	29%	21%	8%
<b>30-44</b> (23%)	24%	20%	4%
<b>45-64</b> (37%)	21%	29%	-8%
<b>65+</b> (27%)	16%	39%	-23%
<b>Urban</b> (22%)	25%	24%	1%
Suburban (56%)	23%	28%	-5%
<b>Rural</b> (22%)	14%	36%	-22%
<\$40K (26%)	23%	29%	-6%
<b>\$40-\$79K</b> (33%)	19%	25%	-6%
<b>\$80-\$125K</b> (24%)	20%	34%	-14%
<b>\$125+</b> (15%)	25%	27%	<b>-2%</b>

As voters spread the blame across state government for not having a completed budget, a strong plurality believe it is ultimately Governor Shapiro's responsibility to get the budget done.

As you may know, state leaders in Harrisburg have been unable to finalize a budget for the state. Who do you blame the most for the state not having a completed budget yet?



Who do you think is ultimately responsible for making sure the state budget gets finalized? 44% 22% 16% Governor Josh Shapiro Pa. State House Pa. State Senate Over 9-in-10 Republicans and Democrats agree that it is important for leaders in Pennsylvania to come together and pass a bipartisan budget agreement.



Subgroup	Total Approve	Total Disapprove	Differential
<b>Female</b> (52%)	92%	3%	89%
<b>Male</b> (48%)	92%	6%	86%
Democratic (39%)	94%	3%	91%
Independent (23%)	89%	7%	82%
Republican (38%)	91%	5%	86%
<b>18-29</b> (13%)	81%	11%	70%
<b>30-44</b> (23%)	92%	4%	88%
<b>45-64</b> (37%)	94%	3%	91%
<b>65+</b> (27%)	94%	4%	90%
<b>Urban</b> (22%)	92%	4%	88%
Suburban (56%)	93%	4%	89%
<b>Rural</b> (22%)	90%	7%	83%
<b>&lt;\$40K</b> (26%)	87%	5%	82%
<b>\$40-\$79K</b> (33%)	93%	4%	89%
<b>\$80-\$125K</b> (24%)	94%	6%	88%
<b>\$125+</b> (15%)	98%	1%	97%

Education policies, such as **expanding tax credit scholarships**, **creating a school-based grading system, and establishing scholarships for low-income students,** garner widespread support among registered voters statewide.

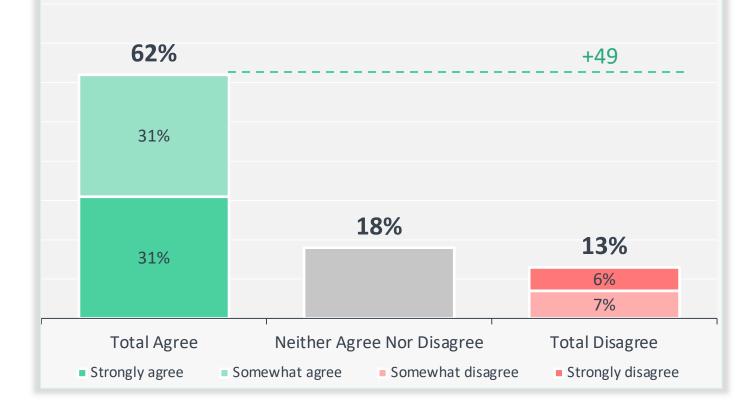
Thinking about K–12 education in Pennsylvania... Below is a series of different ideas and proposals people are talking about in Pennsylvania. After you read each one, please indicate if you support or oppose that proposal.

	Policy	Total Support	Total Oppose	Differential
	Expanding tax credit scholarships, which allow businesses to donate money to nonprofit organizations that provide scholarships to low-income and middle-income children in Pennsylvania to attend pre-kindergarten or K–12 private school.	73%	18%	55%
	Creating an A through F grading system that would give every one of Pennsylvania's K–12 schools a grade based on factors including state achievement, learning gains in assessment, scores, and graduation rates.	72%	17%	55%
	Establishing scholarships for low-income students in Pennsylvania's worst performing (bottom 15%) schools that would help pay for tuition to another k-12 school.	64%	26%	38%
	Establishing an independent authorizer for charter schools, such as a state board or universities, which would approve and renew charter schools; rather than the current system in which only school districts can approve charter schools.	57%	22%	35%
	Expanding access to charter schools so that all Pennsylvania children on the waiting list (at least 40,000 statewide) would be allowed to attend a charter school.	61%	28%	33%
•	Adopting a year-round school calendar that still allows for 180 days of instruction, while reducing the summer break and allocating more frequent breaks throughout the school year.	45%	46%	-1%
•	Cutting state funding for cyber charter schools by 40% per student.	35%	52%	-17%

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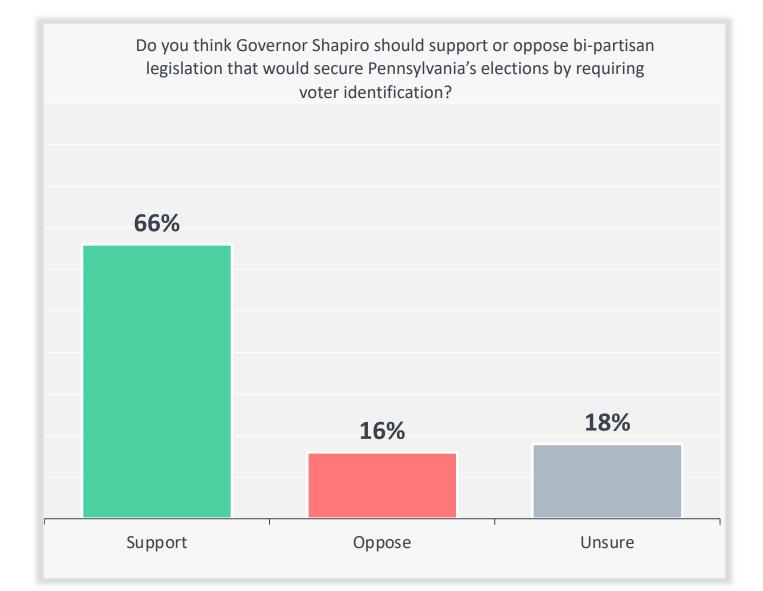
By a staggering 49-point margin, voters agree that Governor Shapiro should honor the bipartisan deal he made with the State Senate to support scholarships for children attending the worst performing schools.

Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: "Governor Shapiro made a bi-partisan deal with the State Senate to support scholarships for children attending the state's worst performing schools. He should honor the deal he made and fund the scholarships."



Subgroup	Total Agree	Total Disagree	Differential
<b>Female</b> (52%)	<b>62%</b>	11%	51%
Male (48%)	62%	15%	47%
Democratic (39%)	60%	13%	47%
Independent (23%)	69%	11%	58%
Republican (38%)	59%	14%	45%
<b>18-29</b> (13%)	78%	3%	75%
<b>30-44</b> (23%)	65%	8%	57%
<b>45-64</b> (37%)	60%	16%	44%
<b>65+</b> (27%)	55%	18%	37%
<b>Urban</b> (22%)	71%	8%	63%
Suburban (56%)	59%	14%	45%
Rural (22%)	60%	14%	46%
< <b>\$40K</b> (26%)	61%	12%	49%
<b>\$40-\$79K</b> (33%)	68%	12%	56%
<b>\$80-\$125K</b> (24%)	61%	13%	48%
<b>\$125+</b> (15%)	55%	16%	39%

**Overwhelming Support for Voter ID:** Over half of Democrats, Independents, and Republicans support Pennsylvania requiring voter identification.

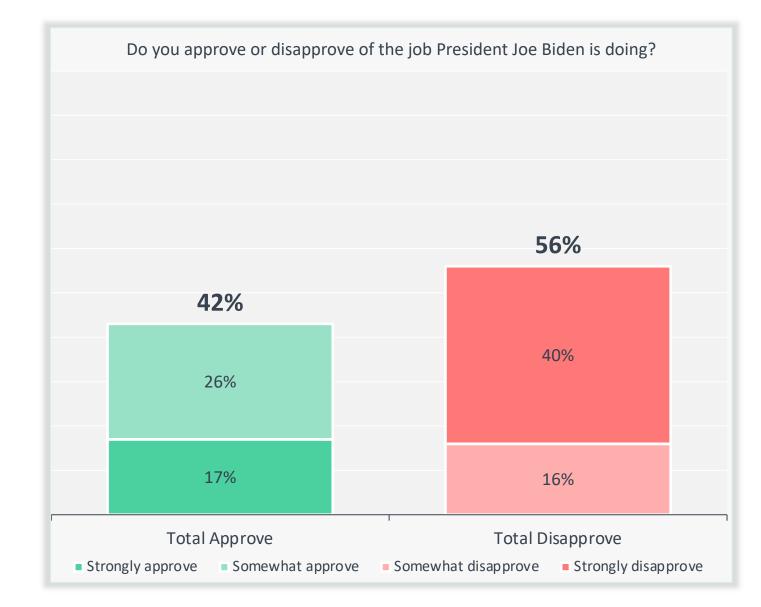


Subgroup	Support	Oppose	Differential
<b>Female</b> (52%)	65%	14%	51%
<b>Male</b> (48%)	67%	18%	<b>49%</b>
Democratic (39%)	51%	27%	24%
Independent (23%)	70%	13%	57%
Republican (38%)	80%	6%	74%
<b>18-29</b> (13%)	58%	15%	43%
<b>30-44</b> (23%)	65%	16%	49%
<b>45-64</b> (37%)	64%	19%	45%
<b>65+</b> (27%)	74%	12%	<b>62%</b>
<b>Urban</b> (22%)	62%	16%	46%
Suburban (56%)	66%	17%	49%
<b>Rural</b> (22%)	73%	13%	60%
<b>&lt;\$40K</b> (26%)	66%	14%	52%
<b>\$40-\$79K</b> (33%)	71%	13%	58%
<b>\$80-\$125K</b> (24%)	68%	15%	53%
<b>\$125+</b> (15%)	59%	28%	31%

# **Federal Policy Series**



President Biden's job approval is 26 points underwater with the ever important 'independent' demographic with little over a year until his next election.



Subgroup	Total Approve	Total Disapprove	Differential
<b>Female</b> (52%)	41%	57%	-16%
<b>Male</b> (48%)	44%	56%	-12%
Democratic (39%)	77%	<b>21%</b>	56%
Independent (23%)	36%	62%	- <b>2</b> 6%
Republican (38%)	11%	89%	-78%
<b>18-29</b> (13%)	38%	57%	-19%
<b>30-44</b> (23%)	40%	59%	-19%
<b>45-64</b> (37%)	44%	55%	-11%
<b>65+</b> (27%)	45%	54%	-9%
<b>Urban</b> (22%)	47%	50%	-3%
Suburban (56%)	45%	54%	-9%
<b>Rural</b> (22%)	31%	69%	-38%
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<b>\$80-\$125K</b> (24%)	41%	59%	-18%
<b>\$125+</b> (15%)	52%	47%	5%

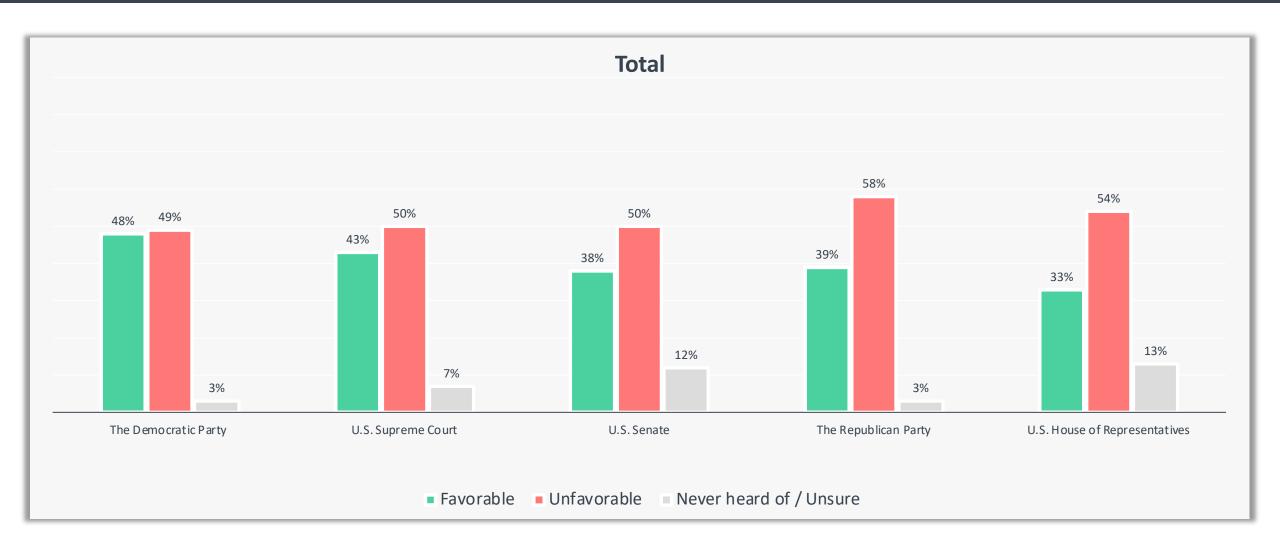
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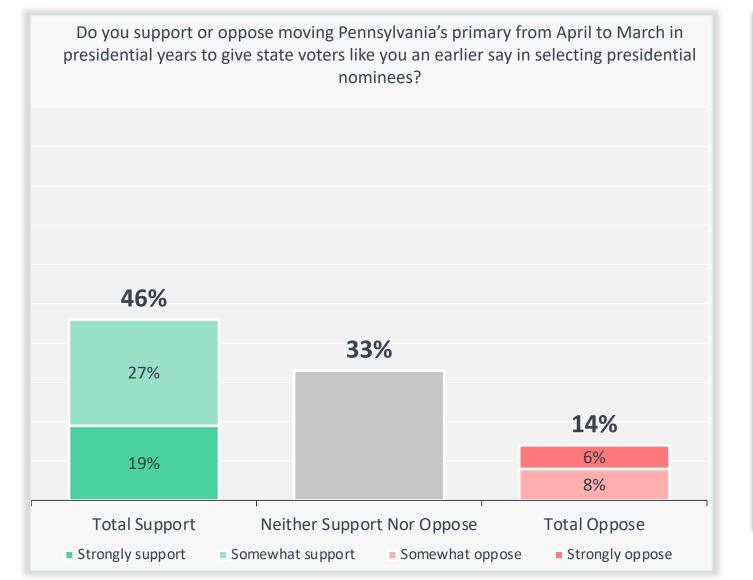


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...Institutions by favorability differential



A strong plurality of voters across party lines support Pennsylvania moving its primary from April to March in presidential election years.



Subgroup	Total Support	Total Oppose	Differential
<b>Female</b> (52%)	42%	12%	30%
<b>Male</b> (48%)	50%	17%	33%
Democratic (39%)	51%	8%	43%
Independent (23%)	45%	9%	36%
Republican (38%)	40%	24%	16%
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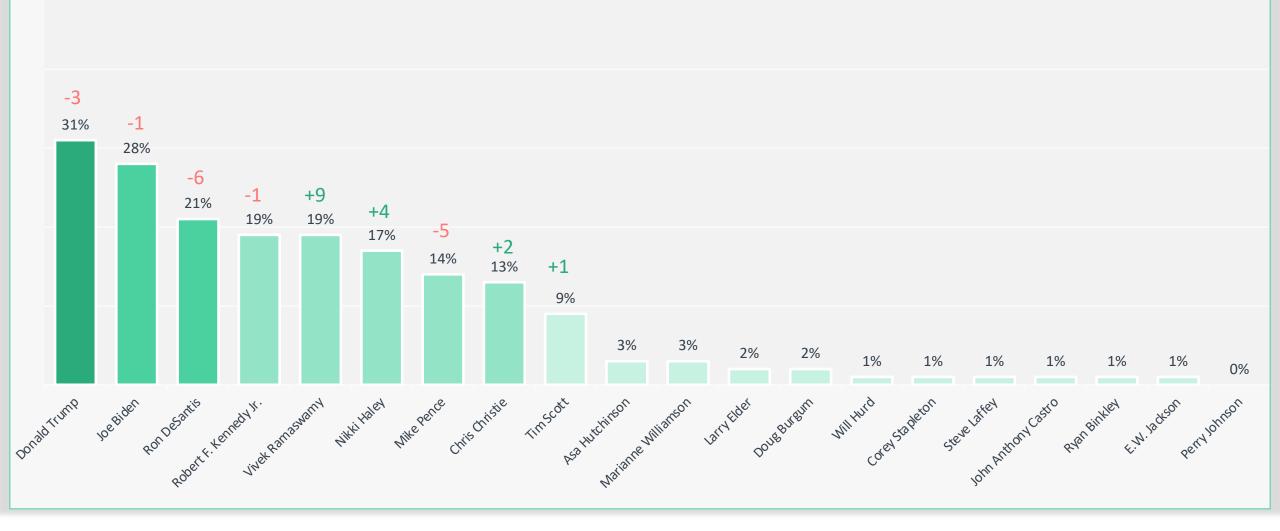
If the 2024 Presidential elections were held today, how would you vote if your options were between a Republican or Democratic candidate?

	Total
45%	47%
Republican	Democratic

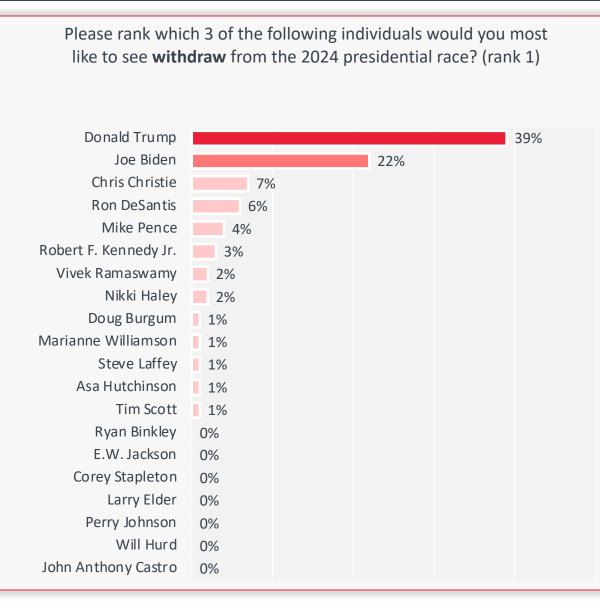
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Independent (23%)	42%	38%	4%
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<b>\$125+</b> (15%)	41%	52%	-11%

**Frontrunners Losing Steam:** Since Q2's Common Ground study, demand for candidates like Trump, Biden, and DeSantis has cooled, while Ramaswamy and Haley heat up.





## **Continued Bad News for Frontrunners:** Trump and Biden are ranked as the candidates voters most want to withdraw from the race.

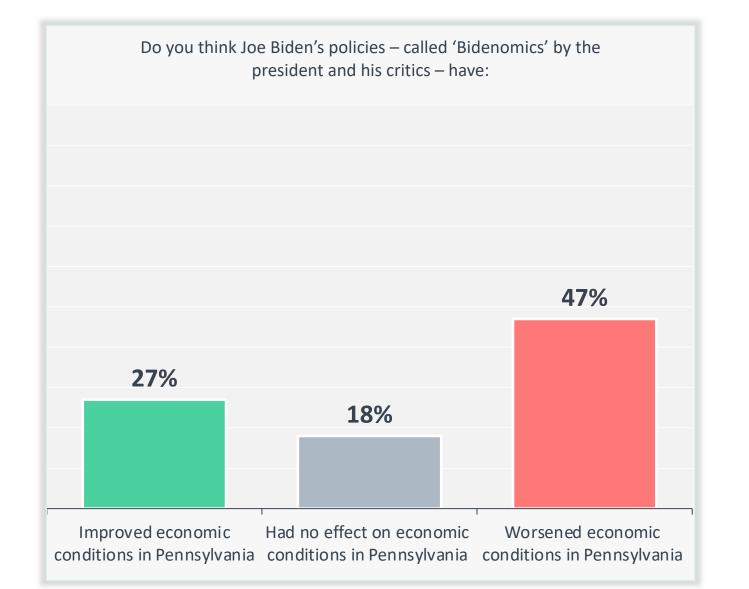


Subgroup	Trump	Biden
<b>Female</b> (52%)	41%	22%
<b>Male</b> (48%)	37%	22%
Democratic (39%)	61%	7%
Independent (23%)	34%	24%
Republican (38%)	20%	36%
<b>18-29</b> (13%)	30%	26%
<b>30-44</b> (23%)	36%	23%
<b>45-64</b> (37%)	43%	19%
<b>65+</b> (27%)	41%	22%
<b>Urban</b> (22%)	37%	15%
Suburban (56%)	44%	21%
<b>Rural</b> (22%)	30%	31%
<b>&lt;\$40K</b> (26%)	40%	19%
<b>\$40-\$79K</b> (33%)	34%	24%
<b>\$80-\$125K</b> (24%)	40%	22%
<b>\$125+</b> (15%)	48%	20%

# Jobs & The Economy Series

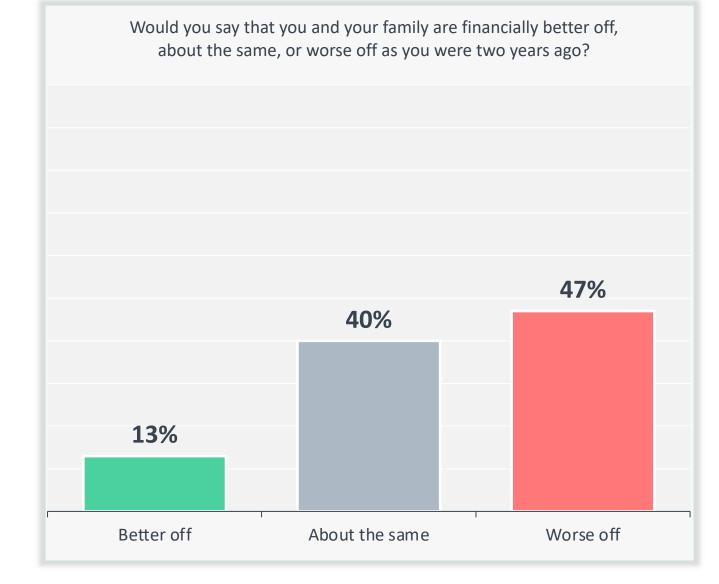


Over a third of Democrats and over 70% of Independents believe the President's "Bidenomics" **worsened** or had **no effect** on economic conditions in Pennsylvania.



Subgroup	Improved	No Effect	Worsened
<b>Female</b> (52%)	22%	19%	45%
<b>Male</b> (48%)	32%	16%	49%
Democratic (39%)	51%	22%	13%
Independent (23%)	17%	21%	52%
Republican (38%)	7%	11%	78%
<b>18-29</b> (13%)	14%	28%	43%
<b>30-44</b> (23%)	18%	21%	49%
<b>45-64</b> (37%)	31%	14%	48%
<b>65+</b> (27%)	33%	14%	46%
<b>Urban</b> (22%)	29%	22%	39%
Suburban (56%)	30%	15%	45%
<b>Rural</b> (22%)	15%	19%	60%
<b>&lt;\$40K</b> (26%)	29%	17%	43%
<b>\$40-\$79K</b> (33%)	23%	21%	50%
<b>\$80-\$125K</b> (24%)	24%	16%	50%
<b>\$125+</b> (15%)	36%	14%	41%

Only about 1-in-10 registered voters in Pennsylvania say they are *financially better off* today as opposed to two years ago, while nearly half say they are *worse off*.



Subgroup	Better	Same	Worse
<b>Female</b> (52%)	11%	38%	50%
<b>Male</b> (48%)	14%	42%	43%
Democratic (39%)	19%	53%	27%
Independent (23%)	11%	40%	49%
Republican (38%)	8%	26%	66%
<b>18-29</b> (13%)	17%	39%	42%
<b>30-44</b> (23%)	13%	36%	49%
<b>45-64</b> (37%)	14%	37%	49%
<b>65+</b> (27%)	9%	46%	45%
<b>Urban</b> (22%)	14%	42%	42%
Suburban (56%)	14%	40%	46%
<b>Rural</b> (22%)	9%	35%	55%
<\$40K (26%)	12%	35%	52%
<b>\$40-\$79K</b> (33%)	9%	37%	54%
<b>\$80-\$125K</b> (24%)	13%	43%	42%
<b>\$125+</b> (15%)	22%	48%	31%

**Economic Troubles:** A majority of every major demographic breakout has a **negative** outlook on Pennsylvania's current economic conditions, and believes the economy in Pennsylvania is **getting worse**, not better for them personally.

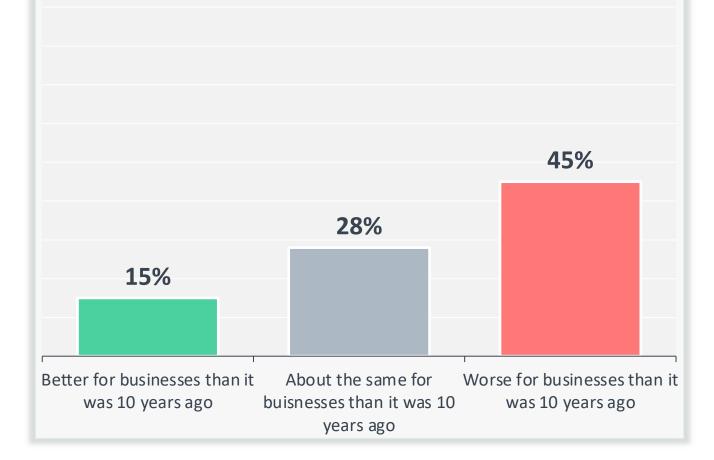


**Inflation Not Cooling:** Up a net negative 4 points from last quarter, now over two-thirds of registered voters say they have been **impacted by inflation**, inhibiting their ability to maintain their standard of living.



A plurality of Pennsylvanians believe the business climate in the commonwealth is worse off today than it was 10 years ago.

Do you think the state of Pennsylvania is worse for businesses than it was 10 years ago, about the same for businesses than it was 10 years ago, or better for businesses than it was 10 years ago?

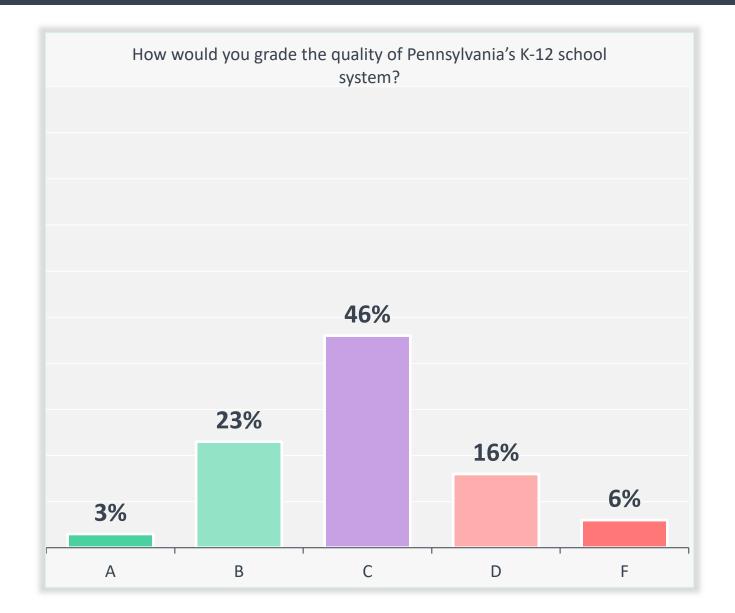


Subgroup	Better for businesses	About the same	Worse for businesses
<b>Female</b> (52%)	14%	23%	47%
<b>Male</b> (48%)	15%	34%	44%
Democratic (39%)	23%	33%	28%
Independent (23%)	12%	30%	46%
Republican (38%)	8%	22%	63%
<b>18-29</b> (13%)	13%	33%	42%
<b>30-44</b> (23%)	13%	26%	51%
<b>45-64</b> (37%)	17%	27%	46%
<b>65+</b> (27%)	14%	30%	40%
<b>Urban</b> (22%)	16%	28%	45%
Suburban (56%)	16%	30%	41%
Rural (22%)	10%	24%	56%
<b>&lt;\$40K</b> (26%)	20%	19%	48%
<b>\$40-\$79K</b> (33%)	15%	30%	45%
<b>\$80-\$125K</b> (24%)	8%	35%	48%
<b>\$125+</b> (15%)	17%	35%	35%

# **Educational Systems Series**



**Mediocre at Best:** Over two-thirds of respondents grade the quality of PA's K-12 school system as a 'C' or worse.



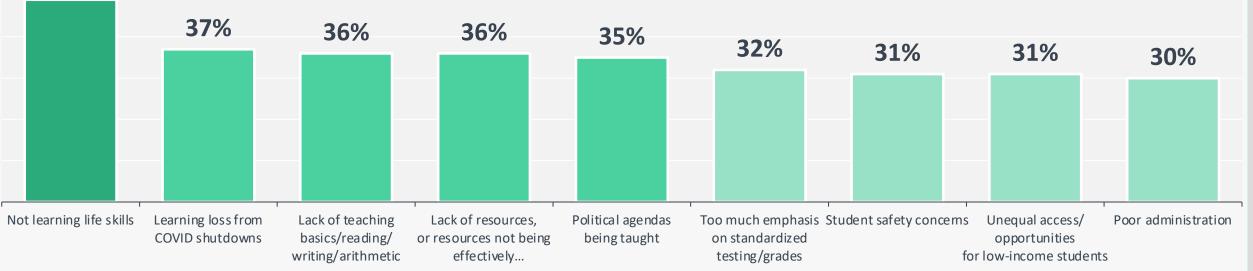
Subgroup	А	F	Differential
<b>Female</b> (52%)	4%	7%	-3%
<b>Male</b> (48%)	3%	4%	-1%
Democratic (39%)	4%	3%	1%
Independent (23%)	4%	5%	-1%
Republican (38%)	2%	9%	-7%
<b>18-29</b> (13%)	8%	5%	3%
<b>30-44</b> (23%)	3%	4%	-1%
<b>45-64</b> (37%)	3%	6%	-3%
<b>65+</b> (27%)	2%	7%	-5%
<b>Urban</b> (22%)	4%	7%	-3%
Suburban (56%)	3%	6%	-3%
<b>Rural</b> (22%)	2%	5%	-3%
<\$40K (26%)	5%	7%	-2%
<b>\$40-\$79K</b> (33%)	3%	5%	<b>-2%</b>
<b>\$80-\$125K</b> (24%)	2%	5%	-3%
<b>\$125+</b> (15%)	4%	4%	0%

By a double-digit margin, **not learning life skills** is the top reason for dissatisfaction with the quality of Pennsylvania's education.

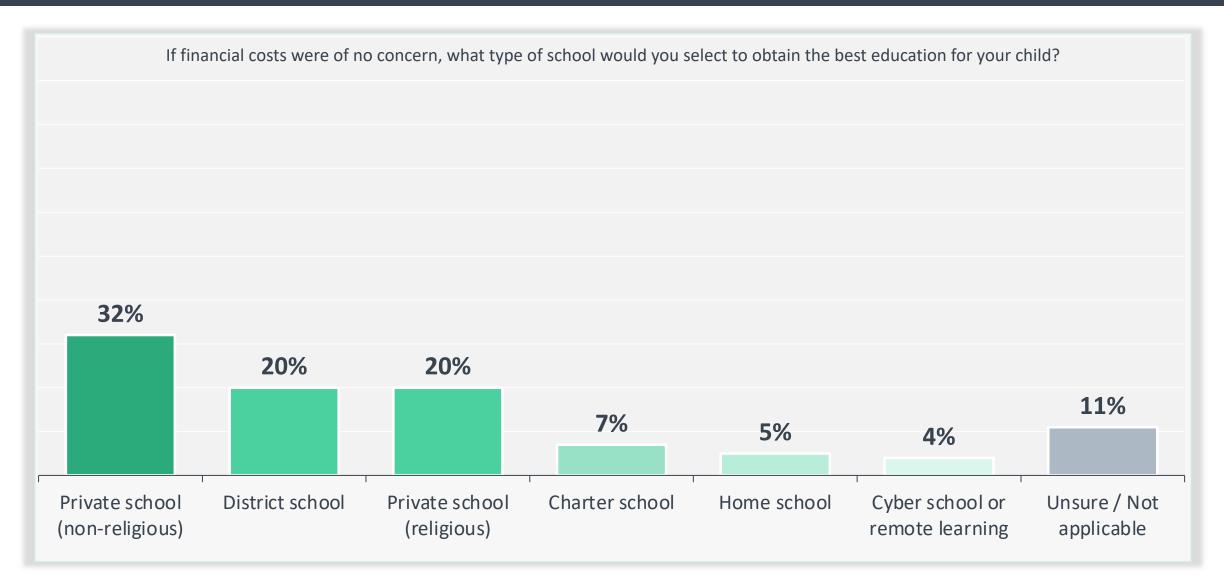
What, if any, would you say are reasons you are dissatisfied with the quality of education that students in Pennsylvania receive? (SELECT ALL THAT APPLY)... (RANDOMIZE RESPONSES)

... Top reasons >30% among those who ranked school B-F, or were unsure (n775)

49%



**Educational Opportunities:** If costs were no concern, only 1-in-5 respondents would choose public district school, as 7-in-10 would opt for alternative educational opportunities.



# **Executive Summary**



### It's the Economy, Stupid!

#### The Big(gest) Problem for Pennsylvania

- Over half of respondents younger than 30 have thought about/know someone who has thought about leaving the state. The top three reasons why:
  - Lower cost of living
  - Lower taxes
  - Better jobs and opportunities
- Registered voters see *inflation / cost of living* as the number one problem facing the nation, and our commonwealth.
- Every major demographic breakout view the economic conditions of Pennsylvania as negative, and believe economic conditions in Pennsylvania are getting worse, not better for them personally.
  - Over two-thirds of registered voters say they have been impacted by inflation, inhibiting their ability to maintain their standard of living.



#### Bipartisan Support For Problem-Solving

By a 22-point margin, voters believe Governor Shapiro is ultimately responsible for making sure the state budget gets finalized.

#### Shapiro's Bipartisan Support

- Over 9-in-10 registered voters statewide believe that leaders in Pennsylvania need to come together and pass a budget agreement that is bipartisan.
- By a 49-point margin, voters agree that Governor Shapiro should implement the bipartisan deal he made with the State Senate to support scholarships for children attending the worst performing schools.
- The governor's education policies such as expanding tax credit scholarships, and establishing scholarships for low-income students garner widespread support among registered voters statewide.



#### **Electoral Recap**

#### The Bellwether Commonwealth

- If the 2024 **Presidential** elections were held today, the race would be too close to call for residents of Pennsylvania. (Generic ballot inside the MoE)
  - Registered voters have a growing concern about electing either Trump or Biden
- For PA's **Senate** race, Bob Casey Jr. garners similar amounts of support as potential Republican challengers, with a plurality of voters unsure or still looking for candidate options.
- Regarding congressional representation, by a narrow margin, respondents believe the best candidate to represent them would be a Democrat, though believe the Republican party's policies are better for the economy.
- On the **judicial** front, Pennsylvania's Supreme Court election is within 6 points, with still over 1-in-5 registered voters *unsure* how they would vote.

#### **BULLFINCH**

### Policy Wins for Pennsylvania: By the Numbers

#### **Support Among Registered Voters**

- 92% want leaders in Pennsylvania of all political parties to come together and pass a budget agreement that is bipartisan.
- 74% support expanding tax credit scholarships, which allow businesses to donate money to nonprofit
  organizations that provide scholarships to low-income and middle-income children in Pennsylvania to
  attend pre-kindergarten or K-12 private school.
- 72% support creating an A through F grading system that would give every one of Pennsylvania's K–12 schools a grade based on factors including state achievement, learning gains in assessment, scores, and graduation rates.
- 66% want Governor Shapiro to support bipartisan legislation that would secure Pennsylvania's elections by requiring voter identification.
- 64% would like the state to establish scholarships for low-income students in Pennsylvania's worst performing (bottom 15%) schools that would help pay for tuition to another k-12 school.
- 62% want Governor Shapiro to honor his bipartisan deal with the State Senate to support scholarships for children attending the state's worst performing schools.



# Thank you.

