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Survey of Likely 2022 General Election Voters

Colorado Statewide

Conducted January 12 - 13, 2022

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Likelihood to Vote

- How likely are you to vote in the November general election for Governor, Congress, and ballot measures out of the following options?

	Freq.	%
Definitely voting	565	89.7%
Probably voting	59	9.4%
Probably not voting	6	0.9%
Definitely not voting	0	0.0%
Unsure	0	0.0%
Total	630	100.0%

RD/WT US

- Generally speaking, would you say things in the United States are headed in the right direction or off on the wrong track?

	Freq.	%	December 2019 Survey	
			Freq.	%
<u>Right direction</u>	<u>153</u>	<u>24.2%</u>	220	34.6%
Definitely the right direction	21	3.4%	153	24.0%
Mostly the right direction	132	20.9%	68	10.6%
<u>Wrong track</u>	<u>421</u>	<u>66.9%</u>	376	59.1%
Mostly the wrong track	115	18.2%	90	14.2%
Definitely the wrong track	307	48.7%	286	44.9%
Unsure	56	8.9%	40	6.3%
Total	630	100.0%	636	100.0%

RD/WT CO

- Generally speaking, would you say things in Colorado are headed in the right direction or off on the wrong track?

	Freq.	%	December 2019 Survey	
			Freq.	%
<u>Right direction</u>	<u>281</u>	<u>44.6%</u>	319	50.2%
Definitely the right direction	55	8.7%	73	11.5%
Mostly the right direction	226	35.9%	246	38.7%
<u>Wrong track</u>	<u>286</u>	<u>45.5%</u>	271	42.6%
Mostly the wrong track	134	21.3%	102	16.0%
Definitely the wrong track	152	24.1%	169	26.6%
Unsure	63	9.9%	46	7.3%
Total	630	100.0%	636	100.0%



Top Priority

4. Which one of the following issues do you believe should be the top priority for the Governor and State Legislature?

	Freq.	%	December 2019 Survey	
			Freq.	%
Ending the COVID-19 pandemic and returning to normal	144	22.8%	-	-
Cutting government spending and taxes	99	15.7%	95	14.9%
Strengthening the economy and creating jobs	81	12.8%	55	8.6%
Protecting the environment and open space	70	11.2%	100	15.7%
Improving the healthcare system	63	10.0%	92	14.4%
Addressing the homelessness crisis	59	9.4%	34	5.4%
Improving public education	49	7.8%	127	20.0%
Reducing crime	37	5.9%	15	2.4%
Relieving traffic congestion and fixing roads	12	1.8%	104	16.4%
Unsure	17	2.7%	14	2.2%
Total	630	100.0%	636	100.0%

5 – 12. Please indicate if you have heard of them, and if you have, whether you have a favorable or unfavorable impression of them. If you don't recognize a name, choose so.

	Fav	Very Fav	Unfav	Very Unfav	No opinion	NHO	NET Fav	December 2019 Survey
								NET Fav
Jared Polis	<u>53.5%</u> 337	26.9%	<u>39.9%</u> 252	25.6%	4.4%	2.2%	13.5%	12.6%
Joe Biden	<u>41.4%</u> 261	19.2%	<u>55.4%</u> 349	47.0%	2.6%	0.6%	-14.0%	-
Michael Bennet	<u>36.8%</u> 232	16.7%	<u>33.9%</u> 213	19.0%	15.6%	13.7%	2.9%	-
Colorado state legislature	<u>40.3%</u> 254	6.4%	<u>43.0%</u> 271	20.8%	15.4%	1.3%	-2.7%	7.1%
Teachers unions	<u>43.6%</u> 275	22.4%	<u>44.2%</u> 279	32.6%	11.3%	0.9%	-0.6%	21.9%
Critical Race Theory	<u>35.6%</u> 224	22.0%	<u>46.2%</u> 291	41.1%	10.6%	7.7%	-10.6%	-
Charter schools	<u>53.4%</u> 336	21.7%	<u>24.8%</u> 156	11.7%	20.0%	1.8%	28.5%	22.2%
Local school boards	<u>32.5%</u> 205	7.0%	<u>48.0%</u> 302	21.9%	18.7%	0.9%	-15.5%	-



Thinking about education in Colorado...

School Funding

13. Currently, Colorado public schools receive about \$14,574 per student. Knowing that, would you say that public schools are generally underfunded, overfunded, or is the funding about right?

			<i>December 2019 Survey</i>	
	Freq.	%	Freq.	%
Overfunded	95	15.1%	68	10.6%
Funding is about right	137	21.7%	143	22.5%
Underfunded	304	48.3%	356	56.0%
Unsure	94	15.0%	69	10.9%
Total	630	100.0%	636	100.0%

Tax Increase

14. Generally speaking, to increase K-12 education funding, do you think the Colorado government should raise taxes or better prioritize state funding?

			<i>December 2019 Survey</i>	
	Freq.	%	Freq.	%
Raise taxes	85	13.4%	158	24.9%
Better prioritize state spending	499	79.2%	445	69.9%
Unsure	47	7.4%	33	5.2%
Total	630	100.0%	636	100.0%

Teacher Salary

15. The average teacher's salary in Colorado is \$58,219 a year. Knowing this, do you think teacher salaries are too low, too high, or about right?

			<i>December 2019 Survey</i>	
	Freq.	%	Freq.	%
Too low	382	60.6%	425	66.8%
About right	198	31.5%	178	28.0%
Too high	24	3.8%	12	1.9%
Unsure	26	4.1%	21	3.3%
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School Priority

16. If it was your decision and you could select any type of K-12 school, what type of school would you select in order to obtain the best education for your child or grandchild?

School Priority			<i>December 2019 Survey</i>	
	Freq.	%	Freq.	%
Public school	320	50.8%	360	56.5%
Public district school	217	34.4%	248	39.0%
Public charter school	103	16.4%	111	17.5%



Private school	<u>206</u>	<u>32.7%</u>	<u>191</u>	<u>30.0%</u>
Private religious school	106	16.8%	<u>97</u>	<u>15.3%</u>
Private non-religious school	100	15.9%	<u>94</u>	<u>14.7%</u>
Virtual school	5	0.8%	<u>3</u>	<u>0.5%</u>
Home school	52	8.3%	<u>42</u>	<u>6.6%</u>
Unsure	47	7.5%	<u>40</u>	<u>6.3%</u>
Total	630	100.0%	<u>636</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

Parent Role in Education

17. How much say should parents have in what their child's school teaches?

	Freq.	%
A lot of say	249	39.5%
Some say	232	36.9%
Not much say	113	18.0%
No say at all	26	4.1%
Unsure	10	1.5%
Total	630	100.0%

Thinking more about charter schools for a moment...

Charter School Image

18. In Colorado, charter schools are tuition-free public schools that are open to all children. Charter schools have more flexibility in terms of teacher hiring and curriculum but are held accountable for student performance. After hearing this information, do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of public charter schools?

	Freq.	%	<i>December 2019 Survey</i>	
			Freq.	%
<u>Favorable</u>	<u>367</u>	<u>58.2%</u>	<u>381</u>	<u>59.9%</u>
Very favorable	156	24.8%	<u>159</u>	<u>25.0%</u>
Somewhat favorable	211	33.5%	<u>222</u>	<u>34.9%</u>
<u>Neither favorable nor unfavorable</u>	<u>96</u>	<u>15.2%</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>9.4%</u>
<u>Unfavorable</u>	<u>134</u>	<u>21.3%</u>	<u>161</u>	<u>25.3%</u>
Somewhat unfavorable	71	11.3%	<u>97</u>	<u>15.3%</u>
Very unfavorable	63	10.0%	<u>64</u>	<u>10.1%</u>
Unsure	33	5.2%	<u>34</u>	<u>5.3%</u>
Total	630	100.0%	<u>636</u>	<u>100.0%</u>



Mask Mandate

19. Do you support or oppose mask mandates for K-12 students?

	Freq.	%
<u>Support</u>	<u>330</u>	<u>52.3%</u>
Strongly support	258	40.9%
Somewhat support	72	11.4%
<u>Neither support nor oppose</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>3.8%</u>
<u>Oppose</u>	<u>263</u>	<u>41.8%</u>
Somewhat oppose	50	7.9%
Strongly oppose	214	33.9%
Unsure	13	2.1%
Total	630	100.0%

Vaccine Mandate

20. Do you support or oppose vaccine mandates for K-12 students?

	Freq.	%
<u>Support</u>	<u>311</u>	<u>49.4%</u>
Strongly support	243	38.6%
Somewhat support	68	10.8%
<u>Neither support nor oppose</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>5.1%</u>
<u>Oppose</u>	<u>280</u>	<u>44.5%</u>
Somewhat oppose	42	6.7%
Strongly oppose	238	37.8%
Unsure	7	1.1%
Total	630	100.0%

Annual Assessments

21. Do you support or oppose an annual assessment for students each year to understand their progress on reading, writing, and math?

	Freq.	%
<u>Support</u>	<u>496</u>	<u>78.8%</u>
Strongly support	288	45.8%
Somewhat support	208	33.0%
<u>Neither support nor oppose</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>7.0%</u>
<u>Oppose</u>	<u>77</u>	<u>12.2%</u>
Somewhat oppose	54	8.5%
Strongly oppose	23	3.7%



Unsure	12	1.9%
Total	630	100.0%

Remote Learning

22. Do you support or oppose closing schools and shifting to remote learning in response to the growing COVID case rates with the Omicron variant?

	Freq.	%
<u>Support</u>	<u>172</u>	<u>27.3%</u>
Strongly support	90	14.3%
Somewhat support	82	13.0%
<u>Neither support nor oppose</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>10.3%</u>
<u>Oppose</u>	<u>372</u>	<u>59.0%</u>
Somewhat oppose	102	16.3%
Strongly oppose	270	42.8%
Unsure	21	3.3%
Total	630	100.0%

23 – 29. Below you will read a brief description of a number of public education policy ideas that have been proposed. Please indicate whether you would generally support or oppose each proposal.

	Support	Strongly support	Neither support nor oppose	Oppose	Strongly oppose	Unsure	Total
Require that school districts post educational curriculum and materials on their websites so parents can know what their children are being taught in school.	<u>77.7%</u>	56.1%	10.6%	<u>9.4%</u>	3.9%	2.3%	100.0%
	<u>489</u>	353	67	<u>59</u>	24	15	630
Give teachers a tax credit of up to \$500 to reimburse them for any classroom supplies they purchased with their personal funds.	<u>86.2%</u>	71.3%	5.3%	<u>6.7%</u>	3.6%	1.8%	100.0%
	<u>543</u>	449	34	<u>42</u>	22	11	630
Create a grant program for school districts to fund alternative transportation plans beyond existing school bus routes to help kids get to school in a better way for their family.	<u>60.8%</u>	29.4%	16.3%	<u>13.6%</u>	6.6%	9.3%	100.0%
	<u>383</u>	185	103	<u>85</u>	42	59	630
Expand school choice options for families to ensure every student has access to a high-quality education, even if that is outside traditional public schools.	<u>72.4%</u>	46.1%	7.5%	<u>15.5%</u>	7.9%	4.6%	100.0%
	<u>456</u>	290	47	<u>98</u>	50	29	630



Give school districts additional funds if they manage to ensure at least two-thirds of education spending goes toward classroom instruction rather than administrative and overhead costs.	<u>70.9%</u>	37.8%	10.9%	<u>10.5%</u>	5.3%	7.7%	100.0%
	<u>446</u>	238	69	<u>66</u>	33	49	630
Give grants to schools to pursue evidence-based strategies and programs that help students catch up and accelerate in mathematics, given that was the area of most learning loss during COVID-19.	<u>77.9%</u>	45.6%	8.6%	<u>8.6%</u>	4.6%	4.9%	100.0%
	<u>491</u>	288	54	<u>54</u>	29	31	630
Create "Education Savings Accounts" for special needs students and their families. Each account would provide up to \$1,200 a year for special needs kids to receive supplemental therapies and/or additional educational services on top of in-school learning.	<u>69.7%</u>	39.8%	12.0%	<u>8.8%</u>	4.2%	9.4%	100.0%
	<u>439</u>	251	76	<u>56</u>	26	59	630

Gender

30. Are you female or male?

	Freq.	%
Female	326	51.7%
Male	304	48.3%
Total	630	100.0%

Age Range

31. What age range do you fall within?

	Freq.	%
<u>Under 50</u>	<u>291</u>	<u>46.2%</u>
18 - 34	135	21.4%
35 - 49	156	24.7%
<u>50 and Over</u>	<u>339</u>	<u>53.8%</u>
50 - 64	165	26.3%
65 or older	174	27.6%
Total	630	100.0%

Community Type

32. Do you consider the area where you live to be more rural, suburban, or urban?

	Freq.	%
Rural	125	19.8%
Suburban	382	60.7%



Urban	123	19.5%
Total	630	100.0%

Ideology

33. And thinking about your views toward politics and government, would you say you are...

	Freq.	%
<u>Conservative</u>	215	34.2%
Very conservative	104	16.4%
Somewhat conservative	112	17.7%
<u>Moderate</u>	169	26.9%
<u>Liberal</u>	221	35.0%
Somewhat liberal	118	18.7%
Very liberal	103	16.3%
Unsure	25	3.9%
Total	630	100.0%

Partisanship by Registration

34. How are you registered to vote in Colorado? You may consider yourself of a different party, but what does your voter registration card show?

	Freq.	%
Republican	159	25.3%
Democrat	218	34.6%
Independent or Unaffiliated	232	36.8%
Another Party	10	1.6%
Unsure	11	1.8%
Total	630	100.0%

Children

35. Are there children in your household under the age of 18?

	Freq.	%
Yes	183	29.1%
No	447	70.9%
Total	630	100.0%

Religious Service Attendance

36. How often do you attend religious services?

	Freq.	%
<u>Frequent</u>	147	23.4%
Multiple times per week	30	4.7%
Once per week	117	18.6%
<u>Occasional</u>	54	8.5%
2-3 times per month	36	5.7%
Once per month	18	2.8%



Rarely	429	68.1%
A few times per year	114	18.1%
Never	285	45.2%
Unsure	30	4.7%
Total	630	100.0%

Income by Response

37. What annual household income range do you fall within out of the following options?

	Freq.	%
Less than \$50,000	98	15.6%
\$50,000 - \$100,000	197	31.3%
More than \$100,000	274	43.5%
Unsure	60	9.5%
Total	630	100.0%

Race/Ethnicity

38. Which of the following best describes your race or ethnicity?

	Freq.	%
White or Caucasian	498	79.0%
Asian or Pacific Islander	2	0.3%
Black or African American	10	1.6%
Hispanic or Latino	69	11.0%
Two or More Races	21	3.3%
Other	12	1.9%
Unsure	18	2.9%
Total	630	100.0%

2020 Retro Ballot

39. Thinking back, who did you vote for in the 2020 election for President?

	Freq.	%
Republican Donald Trump	246	39.1%
Democrat Joe Biden	309	49.1%
Another candidate	27	4.2%
Did not vote	10	1.6%
Unsure	38	6.0%
Total	630	100.0%

Education Level

40. What's the highest level of education you have completed?

	Freq.	%
No degree	220	34.9%
Some high school	5	0.7%
High school diploma/GED	35	5.5%
Technical Certification	26	4.1%
Some college or Associate's Degree	155	24.6%



<u>At least College</u>	<u>403</u>	<u>64.0%</u>
Four-year undergraduate or Bachelor's Degree	234	37.1%
Graduate degree or further	169	26.9%
Unsure	7	1.1%
Total	630	100.0%

41. General Election X of 4

	Freq.	%
0 of 4	18	2.9%
1 of 4	90	14.4%
2 of 4	84	13.4%
3 of 4	99	15.7%
4 of 4	338	53.7%
Total	630	100.0%

42. Geo - CD

	Freq.	%
1	79	12.5%
2	96	15.2%
3	50	8.0%
4	119	19.0%
5	58	9.2%
6	70	11.1%
7	107	17.0%
8	51	8.0%
Total	630	100.0%

43. Geo - DMA

	Freq.	%
Albuquerque	14	2.2%
CO Springs	71	11.3%
Denver	528	83.8%
Grand Junction	17	2.7%
Total	630	100.0%

44. Age (<65 vs. 65+) + Income

	Freq.	%
<65 <\$50k	59	9.3%
<65 \$50k-\$100k	135	21.4%
<65 \$100k+	225	35.8%
65+ <\$50k	40	6.3%
65+ \$50k-\$100k	63	9.9%
65+ \$100k+	49	7.8%
Unsure	60	9.5%
Total	630	100.0%



45. Age + Gender

	Freq.	%
F 18 - 34	58	9.3%
F 35 - 49	77	12.1%
F 50 - 64	91	14.5%
F 65+	99	15.8%
M 18 - 34	77	12.2%
M 35 - 49	79	12.6%
M 50 - 64	74	11.7%
M 65+	74	11.8%
Total	630	100.0%

46. Race + Gender

	Freq.	%
White Female	254	40.4%
White Male	243	38.6%
Two or More Races Female	11	1.7%
Two or More Races Male	10	1.6%
Asian Female	1	0.1%
Asian Male	1	0.2%
Black Female	7	1.0%
Black Male	4	0.6%
Hispanic Female	40	6.3%
Hispanic Male	30	4.7%
Other Female	7	1.1%
Other Male	5	0.8%
Unsure	18	2.9%
Total	630	100.0%

47. Education + Gender

	Freq.	%
Female At least College	215	34.2%
Female No degree	109	17.2%
Male At least College	188	29.8%
Male No degree	111	17.7%
Unsure	7	1.1%
Total	630	100.0%

48. Partisanship + Age

	Freq.	%
Republican 18-34	13	2.1%
Republican 35-49	33	5.2%
Republican 50-64	49	7.8%
Republican 65+	64	10.2%
Democrat 18-34	53	8.3%
Democrat 35-49	52	8.3%
Democrat 50-64	53	8.4%



Democrat 65+	60	9.6%
Independent/UAF 18-34	63	10.0%
Independent/UAF 35-49	65	10.3%
Independent/UAF 50-64	56	9.0%
Independent/UAF 65+	47	7.5%
Another party 18-34	2	0.4%
Another party 35-49	3	0.4%
Another party 50-64	4	0.6%
Another party 65+	1	0.2%
Unsure	11	1.8%
Total	630	100.0%

49. Partisanship + Gender

	Freq.	%
Republican Female	74	11.8%
Republican Male	85	13.5%
Democrat Female	134	21.3%
Democrat Male	84	13.3%
Independent/UAF Female	111	17.5%
Independent/UAF Male	121	19.2%
Another party Female	2	0.3%
Another party Male	8	1.3%
Unsure	11	1.8%
Total	630	100.0%

METHODOLOGY

This probabilistic survey was conducted January 12 – 13, 2022, with 630 likely 2022 general election voters. It has a margin of error of $\pm 3.85\%$. Known registered voters were interviewed via live calls, SMS, and email invitation. This survey was weighted to a likely 2022 general election voter universe.

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