

## Grand Rapids Wave 1 Toplines • January 15 - March 18, 2024

The Michigan Metro Area Communities Study (MIMACS) is designed to provide a reliable source for timely and relevant public opinion data in select Michigan communities by using state-of-the-art scientific methods to obtain the most representative insights available. MIMACS is part of [Michigan CEAL](#), a transdisciplinary partnership of researchers and community leaders, which engages with partners to solicit input on questionnaires and to help interpret results and disseminate them to the community. We sent survey invitations to 7,500 Grand Rapids households based on an address-based stratified random sample of all occupied Grand Rapids households. The sample had [three strata](#): likely African American households, likely Hispanic households, and all others. Respondents were assigned a design weight that was equal to the inverse of the selection probability (the number of households in the area as estimated by the Census, divided by the number of sampled households in each strata, multiplied by the number of residents in the selected household).

Surveys were self-administered online or interviewer administered via telephone between January 15, 2024 and March 18, 2024. We report results for the 1,379 residents who completed the survey. We obtained an overall response rate of 19.2% (using AAPOR Response Rate 1).

The below results reflect weighted responses. We applied raking to adjust the weights to match the estimated distributions on gender, age, race, education, and income based on the U.S. Census Bureau’s 2022 American Community Survey (ACS) 1-year estimates. The margin of sampling error for a random sample survey of this size is 3.3% percentage points at the 95% confidence level; the actual margin of sampling error varies by statistic.

### Sample Demographics

The below demographics summarize select characteristics of the weighted survey sample.

Gender	Male	49%
	Female	52%
Age	<35	42%
	35-54	29%
	55-64	13%
	65+	17%
Race/Ethnicity	Non-Hispanic White Alone	63%
	Non-Hispanic Black Alone	14%
	Non-Hispanic Other (including multirace)	9%
	Hispanic	14%

Highest level of school completed	Less than high school	9%
	High school diploma or equivalent	13%
	Some college/Associates degree	39%
	College +	38%

Household income	<\$10,000	6%
	\$10,000-\$29,999	15%
	\$30,000-\$49,999	17%
	\$50,000-\$99,999	35%
	\$100,000+	28%

## Survey Results

### Block 1: Household Composition, Residence and Housing Status

Next, we have some questions about your current living situation.

1. <b>Besides yourself</b> , are there any other adults (age 18 or older) living in your household? [hhanyoneelse_gr1]	Yes	68%
	No	32%
	SKIPPED/MISSING	0%

IF [hhanyoneelse\_gr1] is “Yes”

2. <b>Besides yourself</b> , how many adults in each category live in your household? N = 909		0	1	2	3	4+	SKIPPED/MISSING
	18 to 64 years old [hhcat_18to64_gr1]	9%	54%	23%	7%	4%	2%
	65 years old or older [hhcat_65plus_gr1]	73%	13%	3%	<1%	<1%	11%

3. Are there any children under age 18 living in your household? [hhcat_child_gr1]	Yes	28%
	No	72%
	SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

IF [hhcat\_child\_] IS "Yes"

4. How many children under the age of 18 currently live in your household?

[hhcat\_under18\_gr1]

N = 354

1	38%
2	39%
3	16%
4+	8%
SKIPPED/MISSING	0%

5. About how long have you lived at your current address?

[current\_res\_len\_gr1]

Less than six months	6%
Six months to 1 year	12%
1 to 5 years	36%
6 to 10 years	16%
11 to 20 years	14%
More than 20 years	16%
SKIPPED/MISSING	0%

6. About how long have you lived in Grand Rapids?

[city\_res\_len\_gr1]

Less than six months	2%
Six months to 1 year	4%
1 to 5 years	18%
6 to 10 years	11%
11 to 20 years	16%
More than 20 years	49%
SKIPPED/MISSING	0%

7. Is your current residence....

[housing\_gr1]

Owned by you or someone in this household <b>with a mortgage</b> or loan (which could be a home equity loan)	40%
Owned by you or someone in this household <b>free and clear</b> (without a mortgage or loan)	18%

Occupied without payment of rent	1%
Rented	40%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

**Block 2: Health, Social Determinants of Health, Long COVID, Mental Health**

Now we would like to ask you some questions about your health and healthcare.

8. In general, how would you rate your health?

[self\_rate\_heath\_gr1]

Poor	3%
Fair	17%
Good	39%
Very good	30%
Excellent	11%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

9. Is there a place where you usually go for medical care?

[med\_care\_place\_gr1]

Yes	83%
No	14%
Don't know	3%
SKIPPED/MISSING	0%

IF [med\_care\_place\_gr1] IS "Yes"

10. What kind of place do you go most often for medical care?

[place\_for\_care\_gr1]

N = 1,182

Doctor's office	88%
A VA medical center or VA outpatient clinic	1%
Emergency Room	2%
Walk-in clinic, urgent care center, or retail clinic in a pharmacy or grocery store	6%
Telehealth or telemedicine	1%
Some other place	1%
Don't know	<1%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

Have you experienced any of the following types of problems in getting health care within the **past 12 months?** (randomize order)

	Yes	No	SKIPPED/ MISSING
11. Did not know who to call for an appointment [healthcare_prob_contactappt_gr1]	18%	80%	2%
12. Could not get to a health care provider because of transportation problems [healthcare_prob_transport_gr1]	8%	90%	2%
13. Could not get an appointment soon enough [healthcare_prob_scheappt_gr1]	29%	70%	2%
14. Could not take time off from work for an appointment [healthcare_prob_timeoff_gr1]	15%	83%	2%
15. Did not have childcare [healthcare_prob_childcare_gr1]	5%	93%	2%
16. Did not trust the health care system [healthcare_prob_trust_gr1]	22%	76%	2%
17. Doctor's office or staff did not speak my preferred language [healthcare_prob_language_gr1]	3%	95%	2%
18. Wanted an in-person appointment but only telemedicine was available [healthcare_prob_inperson_gr1]	6%	92%	2%
19. Wanted a telemedicine appointment but only in-person was available [healthcare_prob_telemedicine_gr1]	6%	92%	2%
20. Concerns about cost (e.g., lack of insurance coverage or cost of copayment) [healthcare_prob_cost_gr1]	37%	62%	1%
21. Did not fill a prescription because I could not afford it [healthcare_prob_rxcost_gr1]	15%	84%	1%
22. Other problem(s) [healthcare_prob_others_gr1]	7%	89%	4%

23. What is the primary health insurance or health plan that you have now?  
[insurance\_type\_gr1]

I don't have health insurance or a health plan	7%
Private health insurance (through a job, school or bought directly)	58%
Medicare	18%
Medicaid, Medical Assistance (MA), Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) or kid's state insurance	12%

Military health care (e.g., Tricare)	<1%
Indian Health Service	<1%
Other	3%
Don't know	1%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

24. How often do you need someone to help you read written information from your doctor or drug store? [health_reading_help_gr1]	Never	86%
	Rarely	8%
	Sometimes	4%
	Usually	2%
	Always	<1%
	SKIPPED/MISSING	0%

25. If for any reason you need help with day-to-day activities such as bathing, preparing meals, shopping, managing finances, etc., do you get the help you need? [daily_activ_help_gr1]	I don't need any help	84%
	I could use a little more help	6%
	I need a lot more help	2%
	I get all the help I need	7%
	SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

26. During the <b>past 12 months</b> , how often have you waited to get medical care because of cost? [med_care_delay_cost_gr1]	Never	56%
	Rarely	14%
	Sometimes	14%
	Usually	6%
	Always	3%

Not applicable – I didn't need medical care in the past 12 months	7%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

Now we would like to ask you some additional questions about your health.

27. Have you ever had COVID-19?  
[c3\_covid\_had\_gr1]

Yes, I had it once	38%
Yes, I had it more than once	25%
No	29%
Not sure	8%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

IF [c3\_covid\_had\_gr1] IS "Yes, I had it once" OR "Yes, I had it more than once"

28. For any time you had COVID, did you experience any COVID symptoms that lasted **longer than a month**?  
[c3\_covlong\_gr1]  
N = 892

Yes	26%
No	62%
Not sure	10%
I didn't have any symptoms when I had COVID	2%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

IF [c3\_covlong\_gr1] IS "Yes"

Please indicate whether you experienced each of these symptoms for **longer than one month** when you had COVID.

N = 229

(ITEMS RANDOMIZED, 'Other' fixed at the bottom.)	Yes	No	SKIPPED/MISSING
29. Changes to taste/smell [c3_covlong_smell_gr1]	52%	43%	5%
30. Chest pain [c3_covlong_chest_gr1]	23%	71%	7%

31. Difficulty breathing or shortness of breath [c3_covlong_breath_gr1]	51%	46%	4%
32. Difficulty concentrating, forgetfulness, or memory problems (sometimes referred to as “brain fog”) [c3_covlong_fog_gr1]	56%	40%	4%
33. Dizziness on standing [c3_covlong_dizzy_gr1]	33%	61%	7%
34. Fast-beating or pounding heart (also known as heart palpitations) [c3_covlong_heart_gr1]	31%	60%	9%
35. Joint or muscle pain [c3_covlong_joint_gr1]	43%	51%	7%
36. Tiredness or fatigue [c3_covlong_tired_gr1]	73%	24%	4%
37. Unwell after minimal physical activity [c3_covlong_unwell_gr1]	38%	54%	8%
38. Other [c3_covlong_other_gr1]	16%	71%	13%

39. On average, how many days per week do you engage in moderate to strenuous exercise (like a brisk walk) for at least 30 minutes?  
[exercise\_freq\_gr1]

0 days	15%
1 day	10%
2 days	15%
3 days	18%
4 days	12%
5 days	15%
6 days	7%
7 days	10%
SKIPPED/ MISSING	<1%

Now we would like to ask a standard set of questions asked by health professionals to assess your wellbeing.



40. In the <b>past 7 days</b> , how often have you felt nervous, anxious, or on edge? [mh_anxiety_gr1]	Less than 1 day	45%
	1 to 2 days	26%
	3 to 4 days	15%
	5 to 7 days	13%
	SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

41. In the <b>past 7 days</b> , how often have you not been able to stop or control worrying? [mh_worry_gr1]	Less than 1 day	61%
	1 to 2 days	19%
	3 to 4 days	11%
	5 to 7 days	8%
	SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

42. In the <b>past 7 days</b> , how often have you felt depressed? [mh_depress_gr1]	Less than 1 day	61%
	1 to 2 days	22%
	3 to 4 days	9%
	5 to 7 days	7%
	SKIPPED/MISSING	2%

43. How often do you feel that you lack companionship? [mh_companionship_gr1]	Never	50%
	Some of the time	37%
	Often	9%
	All of the time	4%
	SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

44. How often do you feel left out?	Never	49%
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[mh\_leftout\_gr1]

Some of the time	38%
Often	7%
All of the time	4%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

45. How often do you feel isolated from others?

[mh\_isolated\_gr1]

Never	52%
Some of the time	34%
Often	10%
All of the time	4%
SKIPPED/MISSING	0%

### Block 3: Disability

Next, we have a few more questions about your health and wellbeing.

46. Do you have difficulty hearing, even if using a hearing aid(s)?  
Would you say...

[disab\_hearing\_gr1]

No difficulty	78%
Some difficulty	20%
A lot of difficulty	2%
Cannot do at all	0%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

47. Do you have difficulty seeing, even when wearing glasses?  
Would you say...

[disab\_visual\_gr1]

No difficulty	71%
Some Difficulty	26%
A lot of difficulty	2%
Cannot do at all	<1%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

48. Do you have difficulty walking or climbing steps?  
Would you say...  
[disab\_mobility\_gr1]

No difficulty	80%
Some Difficulty	16%
A lot of difficulty	4%
Cannot do at all	1%
SKIPPED/MISSING	0%

49. Do you have difficulty remembering or concentrating? Would you say...  
[disab\_focus\_gr1]

No difficulty	58%
Some Difficulty	36%
A lot of difficulty	6%
Cannot do at all	1%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

50. Do you have difficulty with self-care, such as washing all over or dressing? Would you say...  
[disab\_selfcare\_gr1]

No difficulty	91%
Some Difficulty	7%
A lot of difficulty	2%
Cannot do at all	0%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

51. Using your usual language, do you have difficulty communicating, for example understanding or being understood? Would you say...  
[disab\_communicate\_gr1]

No difficulty	89%
Some Difficulty	10%
A lot of difficulty	2%
Cannot do at all	0%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

## Block 4: Neighborhood Satisfaction

In the next section, we have some questions about your **neighborhood**.

Please indicate how satisfied you are with each of the following aspects of life in your neighborhood.

(RANDOMIZED)

	Very dissatisfied	Somewhat dissatisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Somewhat satisfied	Very Satisfied	Don't know	SKIPPED/MISSING
52. The availability of affordable housing [nb_satis_houseprice_gr1]	26%	21%	18%	15%	11%	8%	1%
53. The availability of public transportation [nb_satis_transit_gr1]	6%	10%	23%	20%	27%	14%	1%
54. The amount of crime [nb_satis_crime_gr1]	14%	23%	19%	20%	18%	6%	1%
55. The condition of most houses [nb_satis_housequal_gr1]	6%	16%	18%	28%	29%	4%	1%
56. The availability of parks and playgrounds [nb_satis_parks_gr1]	5%	11%	13%	29%	37%	5%	1%
57. Access to public facilities such as libraries, recreation and community centers [nb_satis_facilities_gr1]	4%	8%	15%	26%	43%	5%	<1%
58. The availability of stores nearby where I can shop regularly [nb_satis_stores_gr1]	6%	12%	9%	23%	48%	2%	<1%

59. On a scale of 1 to 7, where 1 means **very dissatisfied** and 7 means **very satisfied**, how satisfied overall are you with **your neighborhood** as a place to live?

[nb\_satis\_gr1]

1- Very dissatisfied	4%
2- Mostly dissatisfied	4%
3- Somewhat dissatisfied	9%
4- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	7%
5- Somewhat satisfied	16%
6- Mostly satisfied	39%
7- Very satisfied	21%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

60. Thinking about the quality of life in **your neighborhood**, over the **past year** do you feel it is improving, declining, or staying the same?

[nb\_qol\_gr1]

Improving	26%
Declining	15%
Staying the same	53%
Don't know	7%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

61. When you walk in your neighborhood, how safe do you feel?

[walk\_safety\_gr1]

Not safe	7%
Somewhat safe	40%
Very safe	51%
Don't know	2%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

### Block 5: Transportation

Now we have some questions about transportation.

In the **past 30 days**, how often have you used each of the following to get from place to place? For each, please select "Daily", "A few times a week", "A few times a month", or "Never." If the type of transportation is not available to you, please select "Not available to me."

	Daily	A few times a week	A few times a month	Never	Not available to me	SKIPPED/MISSING
62. Biking [transport_mode_bike_gr1]	2%	2%	10%	71%	14%	2%
63. Driving your own personal vehicle (e.g., car, truck, SUV) [transport_mode_owncar_gr1]	71%	15%	3%	5%	6%	1%
64. Borrowing a vehicle or getting a ride from someone you know [transport_mode_borrowcar_gr1]	1%	2%	7%	79%	10%	1%
65. Taking a taxi service or rideshare (e.g., Uber, Lyft) [transport_mode_taxi_gr1]	1%	3%	21%	72%	3%	1%
66. Taking the bus [transport_mode_bus_gr1]	3%	2%	9%	84%	2%	1%
67. Using paratransit (that is, specialized, door-to-door transport service for people with disabilities) [transport_mode_para_gr1]	1%	1%	2%	90%	5%	1%
68. Walking [transport_mode_walk_gr1]	20%	25%	29%	25%	1%	1%

69. Using other form(s) of transportation [transport_mode_others_gr1]	2%	3%	9%	79%	6%	2%
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70. In the **past 30 days**, how often did you have to reschedule an appointment because of a problem with transportation?  
[transport\_appt\_reschedule\_gr1]

Often	2%
Sometimes	11%
Never	87%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

71. In the **past 30 days**, how often did you skip going somewhere because of a problem with transportation?  
[transport\_skip\_place\_gr1]

Often	4%
Sometimes	14%
Never	82%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

72. In the **past 30 days**, how often were you **not** able to leave the house when you wanted to because of a problem with transportation?  
[transport\_leave\_house\_gr1]

Often	5%
Sometimes	13%
Never	82%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

73. In the **past 30 days**, how often did you feel bad because you did not have the transportation you needed?  
[transport\_feelbad\_gr1]

Often	6%
Sometimes	12%
Never	82%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

74. In the **past 30 days**, how often did you worry about inconveniencing your friends, family, or neighbors because you needed help with transportation?  
 [transport\_worry\_inconv\_gr1]

Often	5%
Sometimes	14%
Never	81%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

75. In the **past 30 days**, how often did problems with transportation affect your relationships with others?  
 [transport\_affect\_relation\_gr1]

Often	2%
Sometimes	9%
Never	88%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

76. In the **past 30 days**, have you experienced any issues that **discouraged or prevented** you from taking public transportation (bus or paratransit) when you wanted to?  
 [transport\_public\_gr1]

Yes	9%
No	91%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

77. Some people have a valid driver's license. Others do not. Do you have a valid driver's license?  
 [license\_gr1]

Yes	90%
No	10%
SKIPPED/MISSING	0%

78. Do you own (or lease) a car or truck, or does somebody else in your household have one that you can use?  
 [veh\_own\_gr1]

Yes, I have a car or truck	84%
I don't have a car or truck, but somebody else in my household does and I can use it	7%
No, I don't own or have access to a car or truck at home	9%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%



IF [veh\_own\_gr1] IS “Yes, I have a car or truck” OR “I don't have a car or truck, but somebody else in my household does and I can use it”

79. Some people have car insurance for their vehicles while others do not. Thinking about the vehicle you use most of the time, is it currently covered by car insurance?  
[vehicle\_usual\_insur\_gr1]  
N = 1,275

Yes	95%
No	2%
Don't know	2%
SKIPPED/MISSING	0%

### Block 6: Financial Precarity

Now we have some questions about your household's finances.

80. As of today, which of the following statements describes how manageable your household debt is?  
[fin\_debtexp\_gr1]

My household does not have any debt	22%
My household has a manageable amount of debt	55%
My household has a bit more debt than is manageable	16%
My household has far more debt than is manageable	6%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

81. Suppose you have an emergency expense that costs \$400. Based on your current financial situation, would you be able to pay for this expense?  
[expense\_400\_gr1]

Yes	67%
No	26%
Don't know	7%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

82. Do you or anyone else in your household have a checking or savings account now?  
[banked\_gr1]

Yes	91%
No	7%
Don't know	2%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

83. Do you or anyone else in your household have a credit card now?

[banked\_creditcard\_gr1]

Yes	81%
No	16%
Don't know	3%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

84. In the **past 12 months**, how often did you cut the size of your meals or skip meals because there wasn't enough money for food?

[cut\_meal\_cost\_gr1]

Never	66%
Rarely	14%
Sometimes	15%
Usually	4%
Always	1%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

IF [housing\_] IS "Owned by you or someone in this household with a mortgage or loan (which could be a home equity loan)" OR "Rented"

85. In the **past 12 months**, how often have you been worried about not being able to pay your rent or mortgage?

[housing\_worry\_cost\_gr1]

N = 1,104

Never	55%
Rarely	17%
Sometimes	18%
Usually	6%
Always	4%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

86. In the **past 12 months**, how often has your household been late on monthly housing payments (mortgage or rent) or has only made a partial housing payment?

[freq\_late\_housing\_gr1]

Never	70%
1-2 times	12%
3-4 times	6%
5-6 times	2%
7 or more times	1%

My household does not make any housing payments	9%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

87. In general, do you think people’s ability to **improve** their financial well-being is now better, worse, or the same as it was 20 years ago?  
 [finwellbeing\_gr1]

A great deal worse	36%
Somewhat worse	32%
About the same as 20 years ago	8%
Somewhat better	11%
A great deal better	4%
Don’t know	9%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

Now we are going to ask several questions to better understand if you or others in your household are getting assistance obtaining food.

Please indicate whether you or others in your household got free groceries or a free meal from each of the following in the **past 12 months**.

(ITEM RANDOMIZED, “Other community program” and “Other source(s)” fixed at the bottom)

	Yes	No	SKIPPED/MISSING
88. School-based programs [freefood_school_gr1]	12%	87%	1%
89. Food pantry or food bank [freefood_pantry_gr1]	12%	86%	2%
90. Home-delivered meal service, like Meals on Wheels [freefood_delivery_gr1]	3%	96%	2%
91. Church, synagogue, temple, mosque or other religious organization [freefood_religious_gr1]	8%	90%	2%
92. Shelter or soup kitchen [freefood_shelter_gr1]	2%	96%	2%
93. Family, friends, or neighbors [freefoodl_family_gr1]	26%	73%	2%
94. Other community program [freefood_commprog_gr1]	6%	92%	2%

95. Other source(s) [freefood_others_gr1]	6%	90%	3%
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### Block 7: Perception of Control

Next we have a few questions about your personal worldview.

For each of the following statements, please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree.

	Strongly disagree	Somewhat disagree	Neither disagree nor agree	Somewhat agree	Strongly agree	SKIPPED/MISSING
96. I try to avoid situations where someone else tells me what to do. [contr_avoid_told_gr1]	5%	12%	37%	31%	14%	1%
97. I have often found that what is going to happen will happen, and there is not much I can do about it [contr_inevitable_gr1]	10%	25%	22%	32%	9%	1%
98. I feel like what happens in my life is mostly determined by powerful people. [contr_powerfulppl_gr1]	14%	20%	27%	29%	9%	1%
99. There is a lot I am able to do to protect my personal interests. [contr_pers_interest_gr1]	4%	11%	18%	43%	24%	1%

### Block 8: Likelihood of Voting

Next we have some questions about your voting behavior.

100. How often do you follow what's going on in government and public affairs? [freq_follow_politics_gr1]	Hardly at all	13%
	Every now and then	21%
	Some of the time	29%
	Most of the time	37%
	SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

101. How likely are you to vote in the general election this November?

[vote\_gr1]

Definitely will not vote	5%
Probably will not vote	6%
Probably will vote	17%
Definitely will vote	68%
Not eligible to vote	3%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

102. How much thought have you given to the coming November election?

[vote\_thought\_gr1]

None at all	13%
A little	22%
Some	28%
A lot	37%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

### Block 9: Employment

Now we are going to ask about your employment.

103. In the **past month**, did you do any work for either pay or profit?

[anywork\_gr1]

Yes	69%
No	31%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

IF [anywork\_] IS "No"

104. In the **past month**, have you received Unemployment Insurance (UI) benefits?

[fin\_pubassist\_ui\_month\_gr1]

N = 409

Yes	4%
No	96%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

IF [anywork\_gr] IS "No"

Now we would like to ask some questions about why you did not work during the **past month**. Did any of the following contribute to your not working?

[ORDER RANDOMIZED, "Other" FIXED AS LAST RESPONSE OPTION]

N = 409	Yes	No	Don't know	SKIPPED/MISSING
105. I am retired [lf_nowork_retired_gr1]	42%	55%	3%	<1%
106. I am going to school or training [lf_nowork_student_gr1]	10%	88%	3%	<1%
107. I have health/medical limitations or am disabled [lf_nowork_disabled_gr1 ]	34%	62%	4%	<1%
108. I do not want to work for pay at this time [lf_nowork_choice_gr1]	18%	75%	7%	1%
109. I do not work due to family/personal obligations or am a homemaker [lf_nowork_homemaker_gr1]	15%	81%	4%	<1%
110. I lost my job, have been laid off, or am otherwise out of work [lf_nowork_layoff_gr1]	11%	85%	3%	<1%
111. Other [lf_nowork_other_gr1]	8%	83%	8%	1%

IF [lf\_nowork\_\*\_gr1] IS GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO 2 "Yes" RESPONSES

112. Among the several reasons you selected for not working during the <b>past month</b> , please tell us which is the <u>main</u> reason for not working. [lf_nowork_primary_gr1]  N = 173	[IF [lf_nowork_disabled_gr1] IS "Yes"] I have health/medical limitations or am disabled	30%
	[IF [lf_nowork_retired_gr1] IS "Yes"] I am retired	35%
	[IF [lf_nowork_layoff_gr1] IS "Yes"] I have lost my job, been laid off, or am otherwise out of work	7%
	[IF [lf_nowork_student_gr1] IS "Yes"] I am going to school or training	9%
	[IF [lf_nowork_homemaker_gr1] IS "Yes"] I don't work due to family/personal obligations or am a homemaker	8%

[IF [lf_nowork_choice_gr1] IS "Yes"] I did not want to work for pay at this time	2%
[IF [nowork_other_gr1] IS Yes"] Other	7%
SKIPPED/MISSING	2%

113. Have you actively searched for a new job in the **past month**?  
[jobsearch\_cur\_gr1]

Yes	24%
No	68%
Not applicable	8%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

114. Current employment status:  
[empcat\_gr1]\*

Currently employed	69%
Currently unemployed	9%
Currently out of labor force	22%
SKIPPED/MISSING	0%

\*[empcat\_] is a constructed variable based on responses to [anywork\_gr1], [fin\_pubassist\_ui\_month\_gr1], [notworking\_return\_gr1], [lf\_nowork\_\*\_gr1], [lf\_nowork\_primary\_gr1] and [jobsearch\_cur\_gr1].

IF [anywork\_gr1] IS "No"

115. How likely do you think it is that you will work for pay or profit in the **next month**?  
[notworking\_return\_gr1]  
N = 409

Very likely	13%
Somewhat likely	12%
Somewhat unlikely	7%
Very unlikely	37%
Not applicable	31%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

## Block 11: Immigration

The next section focuses on immigration policy.

116. Do you think it should be easier or harder for foreigners to immigrate to the U.S. legally?  
[immig\_ease\_gr1]

Much easier	24%
Slightly easier	20%
About the same	18%
Slightly harder	8%
Much harder	15%
Not sure	15%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

117. To what extent do you think immigrants are a cost or benefit to American society?  
[immig\_benefit\_gr1]

Mostly a benefit	33%
Somewhat of a benefit	13%
Neither a benefit nor a cost	21%
Somewhat of a cost	10%
Mostly a cost	11%
Don't know	12%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

## Block 12: Conspiracy Thinking and Trust

Note: the placement of questions [flint\_water\_crisis\_gr1] - [stategov\_decision\_gr1] was randomized such that half of the respondents saw them after [immig\_benefit\_gr1], and the other half of respondents saw them after [stategov\_decision\_gr1]. Additional information available upon request.

Now we would like to get a sense of how familiar people are with two different events.

118. In 2014, the drinking water in Flint, Michigan was contaminated with lead and possibly other harmful bacteria, causing a public health crisis.

Very familiar	41%
Somewhat familiar	49%
Not very familiar	6%



How familiar are you with the 2014 water crisis in Flint, MI?  
[flint\_water\_crisis\_gr1]

Not at all familiar	4%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

119. Between 1932 to 1972, there was an unethical medical study conducted by the U.S. Public Health Service, in which 400 African American men were intentionally not treated for syphilis to observe the progression of the disease.

Very familiar	20%
Somewhat familiar	29%
Not very familiar	18%
Not at all familiar	33%

How familiar are you with the U.S. Public Health Service Untreated Syphilis Study that was conducted at Tuskegee?  
[tuskegee\_experiment\_gr1]

SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%
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Now we have several questions about the government and society.

The following are statements about the government and society that some people believe are true and others believe are false. What about you? Do you believe that the following statements are true or false?

[ITEMS RANDOMIZED]	Strongly believe it is false	Somewhat believe it is false	Somewhat believe it is true	Strongly believe it is true	Don't know	SKIPPED/MISSING
120. Many very important things happen in the world that the public is never informed about. [misinfo_not_informed_gr1]	3%	8%	37%	45%	7%	<1%
121. I think that politicians usually do not tell us the true motives for their decisions. [misinfo_politician_gr1]	1%	6%	39%	46%	8%	1%
122. Government agencies closely monitor all citizens. [misinfo_govmonitor_gr1]	12%	21%	40%	17%	10%	1%
123. Some events that people say are random are actually the result of plans made by powerful people. [misinfo_powerfulpl_gr1]	9%	17%	40%	20%	13%	1%

124. There are secret organizations that greatly influence political decisions. [misinfo_secorg_gr1]	9%	16%	37%	25%	12%	1%
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125. People have many different feelings about vaccines today. Which of the following statements comes closest to your views on vaccines?  
[vac\_view\_gr1]

Vaccines do not actually keep people healthy, but they are promoted by doctors and insurance providers as a way to make money.	12%
Vaccines are effective at preventing disease, and they reduce health costs by preventing many other expensive treatments.	73%
Don't know	14%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

126. How much of the time do you think you can trust the federal government in Washington to make decisions that are good for you?  
[fedgov\_decision\_gr1]

Never	16%
Some of the time	44%
About half of the time	28%
Most of the time	11%
Always	1%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

127. How much of the time do you think you can trust the local government in your city or township to make decisions that are good for you?  
[localgov\_decision\_gr1]

Never	9%
Some of the time	34%
About half of the time	28%
Most of the time	27%
Always	1%
SKIPPED/MISSING	2%

128. How much of the time do you think you can trust the state government in Lansing to make decisions that are good for you? [stategov_decision_gr1]	Never	11%
	Some of the time	35%
	About half of the time	27%
	Most of the time	25%
	Always	2%
	SKIPPED/MISSING	2%

**Block 13: Demographics and Background Characteristics**

In the next section, we have some questions about your background.

129. Do you speak a language other than English at home? [language_gr1]	Yes	17%
	No	80%
	Prefer not to answer	2%
	SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

130. Were you born in the United States or a U.S. territory? [born_us_gr1]	Yes, I was born in one of the 50 U.S. states	91%
	Yes, I was born in a U.S. territory (e.g., Puerto Rico, Guam, U.S. Virgin Islands)	1%
	No	8%
	SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

131. Where was your mother born? [parent1_born_gr1]	In the United States (not including U.S. territories)	83%
	In a U.S. Territory (e.g., Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam)	1%

In another country (not in the United States or a U.S. territory)	13%
Don't know	2%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

132. Where was your father born?  
[parent2\_born\_gr1]

In the United States (not including U.S. territories)	81%
In a U.S. Territory (e.g., Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam)	1%
In another country (not in the United States or a U.S. territory)	13%
Don't know	3%
SKIPPED/MISSING	2%

133. What is your gender?  
[gender\_gr1]

Man	46%
Woman	49%
Trans woman	<1%
Trans man	<1%
Nonbinary, genderqueer, or genderfluid	2%
I use a different term to describe my gender	<1%
Prefer not to answer	2%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

134. Which of the following best describes how you think of yourself?  
[sexuality\_gr1]

Gay	3%
Lesbian	1%
Straight (that is, not gay, lesbian, bisexual, or other)	81%
Bisexual	5%

I use a different term to describe myself	4%
Prefer not to answer	5%
SKIPPED/MISSING	2%

135. Are you of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican or Cuban?  
[hisp\_gr1]

Yes	14%
No	83%
Prefer not to answer	3%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

136. Are you of Arab, Persian, or Middle Eastern descent?  
[mideastern\_gr1]

Yes	1%
No	95%
Prefer not to answer	3%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

137. Which of the following best describes your race? Please select all that apply

American Indian or Alaska Native [race_native_gr1]	4%
Asian or Asian American [race_asian_gr1]	3%
Black or African American [race_black_gr1]	15%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander [race_pacisl_gr1]	<1%
White [race_white_gr1]	69%
Other [race_other_gr1]	8%
Prefer not to answer [race_noanswer_gr1]	6%
SKIPPED/MISSING	7%

138. What is the highest degree or level of school you have completed?  
[educ\_gr1]

No formal education	2%
Some education but did not graduate from high school or receive a GED	7%
High school diploma or GED	13%
Some college, no degree	26%
Associate's degree (for example, AA or AS)	12%
Bachelor's degree (for example, BA, BS, or AB)	23%
Graduate degree (for example, Master's degree or doctorate)	15%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

139. In the past **5 years**, have you participated in any non-degree training programs for the purpose of earning a certification or credential?  
[trainingprog\_gr1]

Yes, I participated in at least one non-degree training program	27%
No, I wanted to participate in a non-degree training program but was not able to	12%
No, I did not want to participate in a non-degree training program	56%
SKIPPED/MISSING	6%

140. Are you now married, widowed, divorced, separated or never married?  
[marital\_gr1]

Now married	40%
Widowed	4%
Divorced	10%
Separated	2%
Never married	42%
SKIPPED/MISSING	2%

The next questions are about the total income of your household for the past 12 months. Please include your income plus the income of all members living in your household (including cohabitating partners

and armed forces members living at home). Please count income before taxes and from all sources (such as wages, salaries, tips, net income from a business, interest, dividends, child support, alimony, and social security, public assistance, pensions, or retirement benefits).

141. Was your total HOUSEHOLD income in the <b>past 12 months</b> . . . [income_1_gr1]	Below \$35,000	26%
	\$35,000 or more	71%
	SKIPPED/MISSING	3%

IF [income\_1\_gr1] IS "Below \$35,000"

142. We would like to get a better estimate of your total HOUSEHOLD income in the past 12 months before taxes. Was it... [income_2_gr1] N = 350	Less than \$5,000	15%
	\$5,000 to \$9,999	6%
	\$10,000 to \$14,999	17%
	\$15,000 to \$19,999	12%
	\$20,000 to \$24,999	11%
	\$25,000 to \$29,999	15%
	\$30,000 to \$34,999	22%
	SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

IF [income\_1\_gr1] IS "\$35,000 or more"

143. We would like to get a better estimate of your total HOUSEHOLD income in the past 12 months before taxes. Was it... [income_3_gr1] N = 997	\$35,000 to \$39,999	6%
	\$40,000 to \$49,999	9%
	\$50,000 to \$59,999	14%
	\$60,000 to \$74,999	17%
	\$75,000 to \$99,999	16%
	\$100,000 to \$124,999	16%
	\$125,000 to \$149,999	9%
	\$150,000 or more	12%
	SKIPPED/MISSING	3%

## Block 14: Survey Closing

144. I completed this survey...  
[surv\_mode\_gr1]

On a computer (laptop or desktop)	26%
On a mobile device (e.g., cell phone or tablet)	67%
On the phone with a MIMACS interviewer	5%
SKIPPED/MISSING	2%