

Genesee County Toplines • March 3 - May 26, 2026

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. We conducted a survey of Genesee County residents in Spring 2026. We sent survey invitations to 880 previously enrolled panelists from the city of Flint as well as 6,000 invitations to a randomly selected address-based refreshment sample of households (1,000 in the city of Flint and 5,000 in the remainder of Genesee County). Surveys were self-administered online or interviewer administered via telephone between March 3, 2026 and May 26, 2026. We report results for the 1,021 Genesee County (including City of Flint) residents who completed the survey. We obtained an overall response rate of 15.3% (using AAPOR Response Rate 1); 48.6% for existing panelists and 10.4% for new panelists.

The below results reflect weighted responses. This survey is based on a stratified random sample with [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). 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 2024 American Community Survey (ACS) 1 year estimates. The margin of sampling error for a random sample survey of this size is 4.3% percentage points at the 95% confidence level; the actual margin of sampling error varies by statistic.

Sample Demographics

Select characteristics of the weighted survey sample are summarized below.

Gender	Male	46%
	Female	54%
Age	18-35	27%
	35-54	31%
	55-64	17%
	65+	26%

Race/Ethnicity	Non-Hispanic White Alone	69%
	Non-Hispanic Black Alone	18%
	Non-Hispanic Other (including multirace)	9%
	Hispanic	5%

Highest level of school completed	Less than high school	8%
	High school diploma or equivalent	32%
	Some college/Associates degree	38%
	College +	22%

Household income	<\$10,000	7%
	\$10,000-\$29,999	16%
	\$30,000-\$49,999	17%
	\$50,000-\$99,999	31%
	\$100,000+	29%

Survey Results

Block 1: Employment

We will begin by asking about your **employment**.

1. In the past month , did you do any work for either pay or profit? [anywork_m5]	Yes	56%
	No	44%
	SKIPPED/MISSING	0%

IF [anywork_m5_m5] IS "Yes"

2. In your main job, do you usually work [workhrs_m5] N = 536	Full-time (35 or more hours per week)	72%
	Part-time (less than 35 hours per week)	28%
	SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

IF [anywork_m5] IS "No"

3. How long have you been out of work? [nowork_length_m5] N = 485	Less than a month	2%
	1 to 2 months	4%
	3 to 5 months	5%
	6 to 11 months	6%
	1 to 3 years	18%
	More than 3 years	64%
	SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

IF [anywork_m5] 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?

N = 485

[ORDER RANDOMIZED, "Other" FIXED AS LAST RESPONSE OPTION]	Yes	No	Don't know	SKIPPED/MISSING
4. I am retired [If_nowork_retired_m5]	54%	43%	1%	2%
5. I am going to school or training [If_nowork_student_m5]	8%	84%	2%	7%

6. I am on maternity/paternity leave [If_nowork_maternity_m5]	2%	90%	1%	8%
7. I have health/medical limitations or am disabled [If_nowork_disabled_m5]	38%	56%	<1%	6%
8. I did not want to work for pay at this time [If_nowork_choice_m5]	27%	58%	9%	6%
9. I don't work due to family/personal obligations or am a homemaker [If_nowork_homemaker_m5]	15%	76%	2%	7%
10. I have lost my job, been laid off, or am otherwise out of work [If_nowork_layoff_m5]	17%	74%	2%	7%
11. Other [If_nowork_other_m5]	8%	71%	14%	7%

IF [anywork_m5] IS "Yes"

12. Do you currently consider yourself to be self-employed? [selfemploy2_m5]
N = 536

Yes	20%
No	80%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

IF [selfemploy2] IS "Yes"

13. How long have you been self-employed? [selfemploy2_length_m5]
N = 97

Less than 1 year	11%
1 year	4%
2 years	6%
3 years	13%
4 years	10%
5 years	6%
6 years	9%
7 years	1%

8 years	<1%
9 years	0%
10 years	6%
More than 10 years	34%
SKIPPED/MISSING	0%

Block 2: Gig Work

14. Do you consider yourself to be part of the gig economy? [gigeconomy_m5]

Yes	8%
No	55%
Not sure	37%
SKIPPED/MISSING	0%

Some people find paid work by connecting directly with people who want to hire them using mobile apps or websites, otherwise known as **gig work**. These apps or websites help people find jobs and coordinate payment.

Please indicate whether you have ever earned money through **gig work using each of the following mobile apps or websites**:

[gigapp_x_m5]	Yes	No	SKIPPED/ MISSING
15. Driving for a ride-hailing app (such as Uber or Lyft) [gigapp_ridehail_m5]	2%	98%	1%
16. Shopping for or delivering groceries or household items (using an app such as Instacart, Amazon Flex, or Peapod) [gigapp_shopping_m5]	7%	92%	1%
17. Performing household tasks like cleaning someone's home, performing yard work, doing handyman work, or running errands (using an app such as TaskRabbit or Angi) [gigapp_tasks_m5]	3%	97%	1%

18. Making deliveries from a restaurant or store for a delivery app (such as DoorDash or UberEats) [gigapp_delivery_m5]	10%	90%	1%
19. Performing survey work or online tasks (using an app such as Amazon Mechanical Turk)[gigapp_survey_m5]	6%	94%	1%
20. Providing care for family members and/or pets (using an app such as Care.com, Rover, etc.)[gigapp_care_m5]	2%	98%	<1%
21. Performing freelance/independent contract work (using an app such as Upwork)[gigapp_freelance_m5]	3%	97%	1%
22. I earned money using another app or website [gigapp_other_m5]	7%	93%	<1%

IF ANY [gigapp_x_m5] IS “Yes”

23. When you started seeking gig work through apps or websites, did you reduce hours or leave another job to do so? [gigapp_reducehr_m5]
N = 220

Yes	6%
No	94%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

IF [gigapp_ridehail_m5] IS “Yes”

24. How recently have you earned money by taking on jobs by driving for a ride-hailing app (such as Uber or Lyft)? [gigapp_ridehail_recent_m5]
N = 22

I am currently doing this	62%
I am not currently doing this, but I have done this in the past 12 months	13%
I have done this previously, but not in the past 12 months	24%
*I have never done this	-
SKIPPED/MISSING	0%

IF [gigapp_shopping_m5] IS “Yes”

25. How recently have you earned money by taking on jobs by shopping for or delivering groceries or household items (using an app such as Instacart, Amazon Flex, or Peapod)?
[gigapp_shopping_recent_m5]
N = 72

I am currently doing this	37%
I am not currently doing this, but I have done this in the past 12 months	17%
I have done this previously, but not in the past 12 months	44%
*I have never done this	-
SKIPPED/MISSING	3%

IF [gigapp_tasks_m5] IS “Yes”

26. How recently have you earned money by taking on jobs by shopping for or delivering groceries or household items (using an app such as Instacart, Amazon Flex, or Peapod)?
[gigapp_tasks_recent_m5]
N = 37

I am currently doing this	21%
I am not currently doing this, but I have done this in the past 12 months	42%
I have done this previously, but not in the past 12 months	32%
*I have never done this	-
SKIPPED/MISSING	4%

IF [gigapp_delivery_m5] IS “Yes”

27. How recently have you earned money by taking on jobs by making deliveries from a restaurant or store for a delivery app (such as DoorDash or UberEats)? [gigapp_delivery_recent_m5]
N = 90

I am currently doing this	28%
I am not currently doing this, but I have done this in the past 12 months	36%
I have done this previously, but not in the past 12 months	29%
*I have never done this	-
SKIPPED/MISSING	7%

IF [gigapp_survey_m5] IS “Yes”

28. How recently have you earned money by taking on jobs by performing survey work or online tasks (using an app such as Amazon Mechanical Turk)?

[gigapp_survey_recent_m5]

N = 59

I am currently doing this	40%
I am not currently doing this, but I have done this in the past 12 months	22%
I have done this previously, but not in the past 12 months	37%
*I have never done this	-
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

IF [gigapp_care_m5] IS "Yes"

29. How recently have you earned money by taking on jobs by providing care for family members and/or pets (using an app such as Care.com, Rover, etc.)? [gigapp_care_recent_m5]

N = 39

I am currently doing this	18%
I am not currently doing this, but I have done this in the past 12 months	19%
I have done this previously, but not in the past 12 months	56%
*I have never done this	-
SKIPPED/MISSING	8%

IF [gigapp_freelance_m5] IS "Yes"

30. How recently have you earned money by taking on jobs by performing freelance/independent contract work (using an app such as Upwork)?

[gigapp_freelance_recent_m5]

N = 27

I am currently doing this	45%
I am not currently doing this, but I have done this in the past 12 months	20%
I have done this previously, but not in the past 12 months	31%
*I have never done this	-
SKIPPED/MISSING	3%

IF [gigapp_other_m5] IS "Yes"

31. How recently have you earned money by taking on jobs through the gig work apps or websites that you have used? [gigapp_other_recent_m5]
N = 73

I am currently doing this	73%
I am not currently doing this, but I have done this in the past 12 months	15%
I have done this previously, but not in the past 12 months	12%
*I have never done this	-
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

IF ANY [gigapp_x_m5] IS "Yes"

32. Overall, would you say your experience with gig work has been... [gig_experience_m5]
N = 220

Very negative	3%
Somewhat negative	9%
Neither positive nor negative	20%
Somewhat positive	41%
Very positive	27%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

IF [gigapp_ridehail_m5] IS "Yes" AND [gigapp_ridehail_recent_m5] IS "I am currently doing this"

33. How many hours do you spend **driving for a ride-hailing app (such as Uber or Lyft)** in a typical week, (including the time you spend waiting for assignments)? [gigapp_ridehail_workhr_m5]
N = 7

I don't do this most weeks	19%
Less than 10 hours per week	0%
10-20 hours per week	16%
21-30 hours per week	9%
More than 30 hours per week	57%
SKIPPED/MISSING	0%

IF [gigapp_shopping_m5] IS “Yes” AND IF [gigapp_shopping_recent_m5] IS “I am currently doing this”

34. How many hours do you spend **shopping for or delivering groceries or household items (using an app such as Instacart, Amazon Flex, or Peapod)** in a typical week, (including the time you spend waiting for assignments)?

[gigapp_shopping_workhr_m5]

N = 20

I don't do this most weeks	3%
Less than 10 hours per week	17%
10-20 hours per week	40%
21-30 hours per week	34%
More than 30 hours per week	6%
SKIPPED/MISSING	0%

IF [gigapp_tasks_m5] IS “Yes” AND IF [gigapp_tasks_recent_m5] IS “I am currently doing this”

35. How many hours do you spend **shopping for or delivering groceries or household items (using an app such as Instacart, Amazon Flex, or Peapod)** in a typical week, (including the time you spend waiting for assignments)?

[gigapp_tasks_workhr_m5]

N = 10

I don't do this most weeks	10%
Less than 10 hours per week	22%
10-20 hours per week	42%
21-30 hours per week	26%
More than 30 hours per week	0%
SKIPPED/MISSING	0%

IF [gigapp_delivery_m5] IS “Yes” AND IF [gigapp_delivery_recent_m5] IS “I am currently doing this”

36. How many hours do you spend **making deliveries from a restaurant or store for a delivery app (such as DoorDash or UberEats)** in a typical week, (including the time you spend waiting for assignments)? [gigapp_delivery_workhr_m5]
N = 21

I don't do this most weeks	0%
Less than 10 hours per week	41%
10-20 hours per week	45%
21-30 hours per week	9%
More than 30 hours per week	4%
SKIPPED/MISSING	0%

IF [gigapp_survey_m5] IS "Yes" AND IF [gigapp_survey_recent_m5] IS "I am currently doing this"

37. How many hours do you spend **performing survey work or online tasks (using an app such as Amazon Mechanical Turk)** in a typical week, (including the time you spend waiting for assignments)? [gigapp_survey_workhr_m5]
N = 23

I don't do this most weeks	36%
Less than 10 hours per week	49%
10-20 hours per week	15%
21-30 hours per week	0%
More than 30 hours per week	0%
SKIPPED/MISSING	0%

IF [gigapp_care_m5] IS "Yes" AND IF [gigapp_care_recent_m5] IS "I am currently doing this"

38. How many hours do you spend **providing care for family members and/or pets (using an app such as Care.com, Rover, etc.)** in a typical week, (including the time you spend waiting for assignments)? [gigapp_care_workhr_m5]
N = 12

I don't do this most weeks	17%
Less than 10 hours per week	11%
10-20 hours per week	29%

21-30 hours per week	7%
More than 30 hours per week	29%
SKIPPED/MISSING	7%

IF [gigapp_freelance_m5] IS “Yes” AND IF [gigapp_freelance_recent_m5] IS “I am currently doing this”

39. How many hours do you spend **performing freelance/independent contract work (using an app such as Upwork)** in a typical week, (including the time you spend waiting for assignments)? [gigapp_freelance_workhr_m5]
N = 8

I don’t do this most weeks	18%
Less than 10 hours per week	18%
10-20 hours per week	64%
21-30 hours per week	0%
More than 30 hours per week	0%
SKIPPED/MISSING	0%

IF [gigapp_other_m5] IS “Yes” AND IF [gigapp_other_recent_m5] IS “I am currently doing this”

40. How many hours do you spend **doing gig work using apps or websites** in a typical week, (including the time you spend waiting for assignments)? [gigapp_other_workhr_m5]
N = 44

I don’t do this most weeks	8%
Less than 10 hours per week	53%
10-20 hours per week	26%
21-30 hours per week	6%
More than 30 hours per week	8%
SKIPPED/MISSING	0%

IF ANY [gigapp_x_recent_m5] IS “I am currently doing this” OR “I am not currently doing this, but I have done this in the past 12 months”

41. Which of the following statements best describes the income you have earned from gig work obtained through apps or websites over the **past 12 months**? [gigapp_needs_m5]
N = 155

Essential for meeting my basic needs	29%
Important for meeting my basic needs, but not essential	17%
Not essential for meeting my basic needs, but nice to have	53%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

IF ANY [gigapp_x_recent_m5] IS “I am currently doing this” OR “I am not currently doing this, but I have done this in the past 12 months”

42. How long do you plan to continue using apps or websites to find gig work? [gigapp_use_length_m5]
N = 155

Do not plan to continue at all	8%
Less than 6 months	8%
6 months to 1 year	8%
More than 1 year but less than 3 years	5%
3 or more years	25%
Not sure	45%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

Block 3: Views of Gig Work

Next we would like to ask you a few questions about your views of gig work.

Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with each statement.

(RANDOMIZE ORDER)	Strongly disagree	Somewhat disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat agree	Strongly agree	Not sure	SKIPPED/MISSING
43. Gig work allows people to earn extra money as a side job [gigview_exmoney_m5]	3%	2%	7%	26%	51%	10%	1%
44. Gig work can help people build a career [gigview_career_m5]	5%	13%	26%	30%	12%	14%	1%
45. Gig work is great for people who want flexible work schedules [gigview_flexsch_m5]	3%	4%	11%	36%	36%	10%	1%
46. Gig work is a good way for people to make a living [gigview_living_m5]	8%	20%	23%	24%	11%	14%	1%
47. Gig work makes it hard to plan financially [gigview_finplan_m5]	5%	8%	22%	29%	20%	16%	1%

48. Gig work is better suited as a short-term option, not a long-term career [gigview_shortterm_m5]	3%	7%	20%	27%	29%	13%	1%
49. Gig work is weakening labor unions and other efforts to organize for better benefits, pay and working conditions [gigview_union_m5]	6%	13%	31%	19%	12%	18%	1%
50. Gig work makes it easier for people to get help with tasks that are otherwise difficult to get done [gigview_task_easier_m5]	19%	19%	25%	16%	7%	13%	1%
51. Gig work can replace the need for additional education or training [gigview_edu_replacement_m5]	4%	3%	20%	35%	23%	14%	1%
52. Gig work lets companies take advantage of workers [gigview_advantaged_m5]	4%	9%	35%	21%	13%	18%	1%

Block 4: Education and Training

IF ANY [gigapp_x_m5] IS “Yes”

53. How has doing gig work affected your educational trajectory? It has...

[gig_edu_goal_m5]

N = 220

Made it easier to complete my educational goals	11%
Made it harder to complete my educational goals	7%
Not affected my ability to complete my educational goals	82%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

54. What is the highest degree or level of school you have completed?

[educ_m5]

No formal education	1%
Some education but did not graduate from high school or receive a GED	7%
High school diploma or GED	32%
Some college, no degree	24%
Associate’s degree (for example, AA or AS)	14%
Bachelor’s degree (for example, BA, BS, or AB)	13%
Graduate degree (for example, Master’s degree or doctorate)	9%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

55. Would you like to go back to school or obtain additional training?

[educ_addtraining_m5]

Yes	29%
No	48%
Not sure	23%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

IF [educ_addtraining] IS “Yes” OR “Not sure”

How much of a barrier, if any, is each of the following to your ability to pursue additional education or training?

N = 523

	Major barrier	Minor barrier	Not a barrier	SKIPPED/ MISSING
56. Ability to take time off from work [trainprog_barrier_time_m5]	30%	28%	42%	<1%
57. Lost income to take time off work [trainprog_barrier_paid_m5]	39%	20%	42%	<1%
58. Availability of education/training/apprenticeship opportunities [trainprog_barrier_avail_m5]	13%	38%	49%	<1%
59. Timing/Schedules of education or training programs [trainprog_barrier_sche_m5]	25%	38%	37%	<1%
60. Lack of transportation [trainprog_barrier_transpo_m5]	16%	9%	75%	<1%
61. Lack of childcare [trainprog_barrier_child]_m5	14%	8%	79%	<1%
62. Cost of participation (e.g., registration fees) [trainprog_barrier_cost_m5]	46%	26%	29%	<1%
63. Other barriers [trainprog_barrier_other_m5]	10%	24%	66%	1%

Block 5: Gig Work Challenges

IF ANY [gigapp_x_m5] IS “Yes”

How concerned are you about each of the following while doing gig work obtained through apps or websites?

N = 220

(RANDOMIZE ORDER)	Not at all concerned	Not very concerned	Somewhat concerned	Very concerned	Does not apply	SKIPPED/MISSING
64. My personal safety [gig_concern_safety_m5]	26%	25%	23%	17%	9%	0%
65. Experiencing violence/assault [gig_concern_violent_m5]	30%	22%	18%	15%	15%	0%
66. Being treated rudely [gig_concern_rude_m5]	18%	27%	29%	17%	9%	0%
67. Experiencing an unwanted sexual advance [gig_concern_harass_m5]	38%	17%	10%	15%	21%	0%
68. Being denied expected/fair compensation [gig_concern_reject_m5]	13%	25%	28%	22%	12%	0%
69. Being subject to unfair complaints [gig_concern_complaint_m5]	12%	27%	28%	20%	13%	<1%

70. Having personal property damaged [gig_concern_property]	27%	20%	26%	15%	13%	0%
71. Having the app reduce my visibility or not promote me on the app, sometimes called throttling or shadow banning [gig_concern_throttle_m5]	34%	17%	29%	21%	0%	0%

Block 6: Meritocracy and Inequality

NOTE: the following two blocks were displayed randomly to the respondents.

Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with each statement.

(RANDOMIZE ORDER)	Strongly disagree	Somewhat disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat agree	Strongly agree	SKIPPED/MISSING
72. In the United States, everyone can succeed if they work hard. [merit_succeed_work_m5]	16%	19%	18%	29%	19%	<1%
73. Hard work and determination do not guarantee success for most people. [merit_wkhard_guaran_m5]	11%	17%	20%	33%	18%	<1%

74. People with low incomes are generally poor because they do not work as hard as people with higher incomes. [merit_wkhard_poor_m5]	45%	26%	15%	11%	3%	<1%
75. People with low incomes are generally poor because they start out with fewer advantages in life than people with higher incomes. [merit_advantage_poor_m5]	9%	13%	20%	37%	21%	<1%
76. People with high incomes are generally rich because they have worked harder than other people. [merit_wkhard_rich_m5]	27%	29%	26%	13%	5%	<1%
77. Discrimination limits some people's ability to succeed. [merit_discrim_success]	10%	10%	19%	31%	30%	<1%
78. People get ahead when they know the “right” people rather than when they work hard. [merit_getahead_connect_m5]	7%	12%	22%	41%	18%	<1%

79. Please choose the statement that comes closer to your views--even if neither is exactly right:
[econ_inequal_view_m5]

The economic system in this country unfairly favors powerful interests	73%
The economic system in this country is generally fair to most Americans	18%
SKIPPED/MISSING	9%

80. To what extent do you think that differences in wealth between the rich and the poor are fair or unfair?
[econ_inequal_fair_m5]

Very unfair	46%
Somewhat unfair	29%
Neither fair nor unfair	18%
Somewhat fair	4%
Very fair	3%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

81. Thinking about assistance the government provides to people in need, do you think the government...
[econ_inequal_govassist_m5]

Should provide more assistance	54%
Should provide less assistance	18%
Is providing the right amount of assistance	23%
SKIPPED/MISSING	5%

In general, how important is it for a person to have a four-year college degree to achieve each of the following?

(RANDOMIZE ORDER)	Not at all important	Not too important	Somewhat important	Very important	Extremely important	SKIPPED/MISSING
82. Increasing wealth over the long term [ba_imp_welth_m5]	8%	13%	40%	26%	13%	<1%
83. Getting a well-paying job [ba_imp_job_m5]	7%	16%	37%	27%	14%	0%
84. Meeting basic needs [ba_imp_needs_m5]	15%	23%	30%	18%	14%	<1%

85. How likely is it that someone who does not have a four-year college degree could get a well-paying job in today's economy?
[ba_poss_job_m5]

Extremely unlikely	5%
Fairly unlikely	28%
Neither likely nor unlikely	29%
Fairly likely	31%
Extremely likely	8%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

Block 7: Corporate Rights and Responsibilities

IF ANY [gigapp_x_m5] IS “Yes”

How satisfied are you with the way the companies that run the gig work apps or websites you have used have handled each of the following?

N = 220

(RANDOMIZE ORDER)	Very dissatisfied	Somewhat dissatisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Somewhat satisfied	Very satisfied	Does not apply	SKIPPED/MISSING
86. The amount of money you are paid for each job/task [gigapp_corp_satis_pay_m5]	12%	32%	14%	27%	6%	9%	0%
87. The amount of work available to you [gigapp_corp_satis_amount_m5]	7%	21%	18%	34%	8%	12%	0%
88. The type/quality of work available to you [gigapp_corp_satis_qual_m5]	4%	22%	21%	29%	12%	11%	0%
89. Your safety and well-being [gigapp_corp_satis_safe_m5]	4%	10%	28%	27%	17%	14%	0%
90. The protection of your property [gigapp_corp_satis_prop_m5]	7%	12%	30%	17%	17%	17%	0%

IF ANY [gigapp_x_m5] IS “Yes”

91. How clear is it to you how these companies decide the amount you are paid?

[gigapp_corp_pay_clear_m5]

N = 220

Not clear at all	16%
Not too clear	22%
Somewhat clear	42%
Very clear	20%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

How much do you support or oppose companies that run gig work apps and websites providing the following **benefits** to those who find work through them?

(RANDOMIZE ORDER)	Strongly oppose	Somewhat oppose	Neither support nor oppose	Somewhat support	Strongly support	Not sure	SKIPPED/MISSING
92. Minimum earnings guarantee (e.g., minimum wage) [gigapp_corp_benef_minpay_m5]	3%	5%	19%	20%	43%	9%	<1%
93. Health insurance or healthcare premium subsidies [gigapp_corp_benef_health_m5]	3%	3%	19%	20%	44%	11%	<1%
94. Unemployment insurance contributions [gigapp_corp_benef_unemp_m5]	3%	6%	23%	20%	35%	13%	<1%

95. Paid sick leave [gigapp_corp_benef_sick_m5]	4%	5%	18%	20%	42%	10%	<1%
96. Retirement savings contributions (e.g., 401(K)) [gigapp_corp_benef_401k_m5]	3%	4%	19%	19%	44%	11%	<1%
97. Childcare benefits (e.g., dependent care flexible spending account or subsidies) [gigapp_corp_benef_child_m5]	3%	4%	22%	21%	37%	12%	<1%

Some people have proposed a system of portable benefits in which gig workers can receive contributions from multiple companies into a single, worker-owned benefits account managed by a bank or third-party organization. These accounts could be used to fund benefits such as health insurance premiums, paid time off, and retirement savings.

98. How much would you support or oppose this type of portable benefits system?
[gig_portable_benefit_m5]

Strongly oppose	3%
Somewhat oppose	5%
Neither support nor oppose	23%
Somewhat support	28%
Strongly support	27%
Not sure	13%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<0%

99. All in all, do you think major corporations in this country today have...
[us_majorcorp_power_m5]

Too little power	3%
Too much power	85%

About the right amount of power	12%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

Block 8: Attitudes Towards Unions

100. Generally speaking, would you say you have a favorable or unfavorable view of labor unions?

[union_view_m5]

Very unfavorable	5%
Somewhat unfavorable	12%
Neither favorable nor unfavorable	32%
Somewhat favorable	26%
Very favorable	25%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

Would you say each of the following are having a positive or negative effect on the way things are going in the country these days?

(RANDOMIZE ORDER)	Very negative	Somewhat negative	Neither positive nor negative	Somewhat positive	Very positive	SKIPPED/MISSING
101. Labor unions [us_union_m5]	4%	12%	34%	34%	15%	<1%
102. Large corporations/companies [us_large_corp_m5]	23%	30%	25%	18%	4%	<1%
103. Colleges and universities [us_higher_edu_m5]	8%	13%	32%	32%	15%	<1%
104. Major technology companies, such as those that run gig work apps and websites [us_major_tech_m5]	11%	19%	42%	22%	5%	<1%

105. How likely would you be to join an employee union if your job/employer offered one?

[union_join_likelihood_m5]

Very unlikely	10%
Somewhat unlikely	8%
Neither likely nor unlikely	11%
Somewhat likely	17%
Very likely	31%
Not sure	10%
Already in a union	13%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

106. Do you think a labor union for gig workers would do more to help or to harm gig workers?

[union_gig_help_m5]

Harm a lot	7%
Harm a little	11%
Neither help nor harm	30%
Help a little	31%
Help a lot	20%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

Block 9: Economy and Personal Finances

107. Thinking about the nation's economy... How would you rate economic conditions in this country today?

[economy_rating2_m5]

Excellent	54%
Good	30%
Fair	14%
Poor	2%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

108. A year from now, do you expect that economic conditions in the country as a whole will be...

[econ_sit_usfuture_m5]

Better	23%
Worse	48%
About the same as now	29%
SKIPPED/MISSING	<1%

109. Which of the following best describes your current monthly personal finance situation?

[fin_sit_personal_m5]

My income generally exceeds my expenses	28%
My income about matches my expenses	37%
My expenses generally exceed my income	26%
Unsure	9%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

Block 10: Digital Access/Literacy

110. Do you have consistent access to the internet at home?

[home_internet_m5]

Yes	93%
No	4%
Don't know	2%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

111. How often do you need help doing the things you want to do on the internet?

[internet_support_m5]

Most of the time	6%
Sometimes	16%
Rarely	35%
Never	38%
Not applicable	4%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

Block 11: Demographics, Background Characteristics and Political Attitudes

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

112. Do you speak a language other than English at home?
[language_m5]

Yes	7%
No	89%
Prefer not to answer	3%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

113. Were you born in the United States or a U.S. territory?
[born_us_m5]

Yes, I was born in one of the 50 U.S. states	96%
Yes, I was born in a U.S. territory (e.g., Puerto Rico, Guam, U.S. Virgin Islands)	1%
No	3%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

114. How would you describe your current gender identity? [gender3_m5]

Woman	52%
Man	44%
I use a different term	<1%
Prefer not to answer	2%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

115. Which of these options best describes your sexual orientation? [sexuality3_m5]

Lesbian or gay	2%
Straight, that is, not gay or lesbian	86%
Bisexual	4%
I use a different term	2%
Don't know	1%
Prefer not to answer	5%
SKIPPED/MISSING	2%

116. Are you of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican or Cuban? [hisp_m5]

Yes	5%
No	91%
Prefer not to answer	3%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

117. Are you of Arab, Persian, or Middle Eastern descent? [mideastern_m5]

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

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

American Indian or Alaska Native [race_native_m5]	4%
Asian or Asian American [race_asian_m5]	1%
Black or African American [race_black_m5]	21%

Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander [race_pacisl_m5]	<1%
White [race_white_m5]	72%
Other [race_other_m5]	4%
Prefer not to answer [race_noanswer_m5]	4%
SKIPPED/MISSING	6%

119. Are you now married, widowed, divorced, separated or never married?
[marital_m5]

Now married	42%
Widowed	6%
Divorced	13%
Separated	2%
Never married	37%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

Next we have some questions about the upcoming election in November.

120. How much thought have you given to the upcoming November election?
[midelection_thought_m5]

None	28%
A little	19%
Some	23%
A lot	30%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

121. How likely are you to vote in the midterm election this November?
[midvote_m5]

Definitely will not vote	8%
Probably will not vote	13%
Probably will vote	22%
Definitely will vote	55%
Not eligible to vote	2%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

122. Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or something else? [pid_m5]

Republican	19%
Democrat	34%
Independent	18%
Other party	2%
No preference	26%
SKIPPED/MISSING	2%

IF [pid_m5] IS "Independent" OR "Other party" OR "No preference"

123. Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican Party or to the Democratic Party? [pid_leaning_m5]
N = 438

Closer to Republican	22%
Closer to Democratic	23%
Neither	54%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

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).

124. Was your total HOUSEHOLD income in the past 12 months . . . [income_1_m5]	Below \$35,000	26%
	\$35,000 or more	71%
	SKIPPED/MISSING	3%

IF [income_1_m5] IS "Below \$35,000"

125. We would like to get a better estimate of your total HOUSEHOLD income in the past 12 months before taxes. Was it... [income_2_m5] N = 407	Less than \$5,000	17%
	\$5,000 to \$9,999	8%
	\$10,000 to \$14,999	17%
	\$15,000 to \$19,999	14%
	\$20,000 to \$24,999	14%
	\$25,000 to \$29,999	11%
	\$30,000 to \$34,999	15%
	SKIPPED/MISSING	4%

IF [income_1_m5] IS "\$35,000 or more"

126. We would like to get a better estimate of your total HOUSEHOLD income in the past 12 months before taxes. Was it... [income_3_m5] N = 583	\$35,000 to \$39,999	10%
	\$40,000 to \$49,999	8%
	\$50,000 to \$59,999	9%
	\$60,000 to \$74,999	16%

\$75,000 to \$99,999	16%
\$100,000 to \$124,999	18%
\$125,000 to \$149,999	5%
\$150,000 or more	16%
SKIPPED/MISSING	3%

Block 12: Survey Closing

127. I completed this survey...
[surv_mode_m5]

On a computer (laptop or desktop)	21%
On a mobile device (e.g., cell phone or tablet)	73%
On the phone with a MIMACS interviewer	5%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

* These responses were recoded as not having ever earned money through gig work using this mobile app or website.