



GS STRATEGY GROUP

THIRD WAY – TEXAS
CONDUCTED JUNE 9 – 16, 2022
N = 800 Texas Likely Voters
Margin of Error: +/- 3.46%

Q1. When there is an election for governor in your state, do you always vote, almost always vote, vote most of the time, vote some of the time, hardly ever vote, or never vote?

	TX
Total	800
Always	73.2
Almost always	11.7
Most of time	10.7
Sometimes	4.4

Q2. For statistical purposes, what is your age?

	TX
Total	800
18-34	17.0
18-29	10.0
30-34	7.0
35-44	14.0
35-39	6.9
40-44	7.1
45-54	18.8
55-64	19.9
55-60	11.5
61-64	8.4
65+	30.3
Mean	52.5

Q3. What is your gender?
(NET DIF 1 - Percent male minus percent female)

	TX
Total	800
Male	47.4
Female	52.5
Non-binary/Trans-gender	0.1
NET DIF 1	-5.1

Q4. Are you Latino, Hispanic or of Latino, Hispanic or Spanish descent?
(NET DIF 1 - Percent yes minus percent no)

	TX
Total	800
Yes	18.0
No/All Other Answers	82.0
NET DIF 1	-64.0

Q5. What is your race?

	TX
Total	800
White	64.0
Non-White	34.3
Black	10.3
Hispanic	18.0
Asian/Pacific Islander	2.6
Native American	1.3
Multiple Races	2.1
DK/Refused	1.7

Q6. If you had to label yourself, would you say you are a liberal, a moderate or a conservative in your political beliefs?
 (NET DIF 1 - Percent Conservative minus percent Liberal)

	TX

Total	800
Liberal	21.5
Very Liberal	8.6
Somewhat Liberal	12.9
Moderate	29.9
Conservative	42.7
Somewhat Conservative	18.5
Very Conservative	24.3
DK/Refused	5.9
NET DIF 1	21.3

Q7. With which political party are you affiliated?
 (NET DIF 1 - Percent Republican minus percent Democrat)

	TX

Total	800
Republican	41.9
Democrat	32.5
Independent/No Party	22.3
Other	1.5
DK/Refused	1.8
NET DIF 1	9.4

Please tell me whether you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable or very unfavorable opinion of each of the following people, groups or organizations. If you have no opinion or have never heard of them, just say so.

Q8. Joe Biden
 (NET DIF 1 - Percent favorable minus percent unfavorable)

	TX

Total	800
Favorable	42.9
Very Favorable	20.9
Somewhat Favorable	22.0
Unfavorable	53.2
Somewhat Unfavorable	8.4
Very Unfavorable	44.8
No opinion	3.6
DK/Refused	0.3
Mean	2.8
NET DIF 1	-10.3

Q9. Donald Trump
(NET DIF 1 - Percent favorable minus percent unfavorable)

	TX

Total	800
Favorable	41.6
Very Favorable	22.2
Somewhat Favorable	19.4
Unfavorable	52.3
Somewhat Unfavorable	10.6
Very Unfavorable	41.7
No opinion	5.7
Never heard of	0.2
DK/Refused	0.2
Mean	2.8
NET DIF 1	-10.7

Q10. Greg Abbott
(NET DIF 1 - Percent favorable minus percent unfavorable)

	TX

Total	800
Favorable	43.4
Very Favorable	20.6
Somewhat Favorable	22.8
Unfavorable	43.5
Somewhat Unfavorable	10.7
Very Unfavorable	32.7
No opinion	8.8
Never heard of	3.6
DK/Refused	0.8
Mean	2.6
NET DIF 1	-0.1

Q11. John Cornyn
(NET DIF 1 - Percent favorable minus percent unfavorable)

	TX

Total	800
Favorable	35.2
Very Favorable	10.3
Somewhat Favorable	25.0
Unfavorable	31.5
Somewhat Unfavorable	15.4
Very Unfavorable	16.1
No opinion	20.8
Never heard of	11.0
DK/Refused	1.4
Mean	2.6
NET DIF 1	3.7

Q12. Ted Cruz
(NET DIF 1 - Percent favorable minus percent unfavorable)

	TX

Total	800
Favorable	41.9
Very Favorable	20.3
Somewhat Favorable	21.6
Unfavorable	46.4
Somewhat Unfavorable	9.9
Very Unfavorable	36.5
No opinion	8.8
Never heard of	2.7
DK/Refused	0.2
Mean	2.7
NET DIF 1	-4.5

Q13. The National Rifle Association or NRA
(NET DIF 1 - Percent favorable minus percent unfavorable)

	TX

Total	800
Favorable	43.4
Very Favorable	23.5
Somewhat Favorable	19.8
Unfavorable	39.9
Somewhat Unfavorable	10.9
Very Unfavorable	29.0
No opinion	15.5
Never heard of	0.7
DK/Refused	0.5
Mean	2.5
NET DIF 1	3.5

Q14. Generally speaking, do you think it is too hard or too easy to get a gun in America?
(NET DIF 1 - Percent too easy minus percent too hard)

	TX

Total	800
Too hard	9.7
Much too hard	2.0
Somewhat too hard	7.7
Too easy	79.8
Somewhat too easy	30.0
Much too easy	49.8
DK/Refused	10.5
NET DIF 1	70.2

Q15. Would you say you are now more likely to support or oppose stricter gun laws at the federal level after the shooting in Uvalde Texas? If it had no impact on your views, just say so.

(NET DIF 1 - Percent support minus percent oppose)

	TX

Total	800
Support stricter gun laws	58.1
Much more likely to support stricter gun laws	43.0
Somewhat more likely to support stricter gun laws	15.1
Oppose stricter gun laws	18.3
Somewhat more likely to oppose stricter gun laws	6.2
Much more likely to oppose stricter gun laws	12.1
No impact	20.1
DK/Refused	3.6
NET DIF 1	39.8

In response to the shooting in Uvalde and other recent mass shooting events, some US Senators are proposing specific policies to prevent future mass shootings across the country. After hearing them, please tell me if you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose each policy. If you aren't sure, just say so.

Q16. Red flag laws, which give family members or law enforcement a way to ask a judge to issue an order temporarily removing guns from someone who poses a violent threat to themselves or others.

(NET DIF 1 - Percent support minus percent oppose)

	TX

Total	800
Support	75.2
Strongly Support	57.8
Somewhat Support	17.5
Oppose	20.3
Somewhat Oppose	7.0
Strongly Oppose	13.3
DK/Refused	4.4
NET DIF 1	54.9

Q17. Requiring a background check before every gun purchase, including at gun shows and for online sales.
(NET DIF 1 - Percent support minus percent oppose)

	TX
Total	800
Support	89.5
Strongly Support	76.1
Somewhat Support	13.4
Oppose	8.0
Somewhat Oppose	2.7
Strongly Oppose	5.3
DK/Refused	2.5
NET DIF 1	81.5

Q18. Increasing the minimum age to purchase a semi-automatic weapon from 18 to 21 years old.
(NET DIF 1 - Percent support minus percent oppose)

	TX
Total	800
Support	80.4
Strongly Support	66.0
Somewhat Support	14.4
Oppose	16.4
Somewhat Oppose	5.4
Strongly Oppose	11.0
DK/Refused	3.2
NET DIF 1	64.0

Q19. Allowing law enforcement to access sealed juvenile records to ensure that young adults with a history of violent criminal behavior are restricted from purchasing firearms.
(NET DIF 1 - Percent support minus percent oppose)

	TX
Total	800
Support	80.2
Strongly Support	61.0
Somewhat Support	19.2
Oppose	15.1
Somewhat Oppose	6.8
Strongly Oppose	8.3
DK/Refused	4.7
NET DIF 1	65.1

Q20. Funding research around the effectiveness of gun safety policies.
(NET DIF 1 - Percent support minus percent oppose)

	TX
Total	800
Support	68.1
Strongly Support	44.6
Somewhat Support	23.5
Oppose	23.8
Somewhat Oppose	10.8
Strongly Oppose	13.0
DK/Refused	8.2
NET DIF 1	44.3

Q21. If Senator John Cornyn voted for new laws like the ones you've heard about here, would you be more likely to vote for him or against him?
(NET DIF 1 - Percent vote for minus percent vote against)

	TX
Total	800
Vote for	58.1
Definitely vote for	23.6
Probably vote for	34.5
Vote against	27.4
Probably vote against	11.9
Definitely vote against	15.5
DK/Refused	14.5
NET DIF 1	30.7

Now I'd like to give you some arguments from both supporters and opponents of these new laws. After hearing each pair of statements, please tell me which side you agree with more — supporters of stronger gun laws, or opponents of stronger gun laws. If you aren't sure, just say so

Q22. • Supporters of red flag laws say they are common sense policies that would prevent dangerous and mentally ill people from hurting people. Allowing family and friends to alert law enforcement about potential risks of imminent violence could have kept the shooter in Uvalde from getting access to guns.

• Opponents of red flag laws say they are more often used to take gun rights away from law abiding people without due process than to stop mass shooters. Allowing unelected judges to take away guns based on unproven claims from spouses or family members is a violation of constitutional rights.

(NET DIF 1 - Percent supporters minus percent opponents)

	TX

Total	800
Supporters	58.6
Opponents	33.1
DK/Refused	8.3
NET DIF 1	25.5

Q23. Which of the following best describes you?

	TX

Total	800
I own a gun	43.0
I don't have any guns in my home	34.0
Someone in my house owns a gun	15.4
DK/Refused	7.6

Q24. Which of the following best describes you?

	TX
Total	800
No one in my home is an NRA member	76.7
I am an NRA member	10.6
Someone in my house is an NRA member	6.5
DK/Refused	6.2

Q25. What is the highest level of education you have completed?

	TX
Total	800
High school	14.8
Some high school	1.6
Graduated high school	13.2
Some college/Assoc/Trade	33.0
Some college	15.1
Two-year college degree	14.6
Trade or technical school certificate	3.3
Four-year college degree	28.9
Graduate school	18.7
Some graduate school	2.4
Graduate degree	16.3
DK/Refused	4.6

Q26. What is your current household income?

	TX

Total	800
<\$50,000	22.7
Under \$15,000	1.3
\$15,001 to \$25,000	3.2
\$25,001 to \$40,000	7.6
\$40,001 to \$50,000	10.6
\$50,000-\$100,000	29.2
\$50,001 to \$75,000	15.6
\$75,001 to \$100,000	13.6
Over \$100,000	25.0
DK/Refused	23.1
Mean	75982

Q27. Area breaks:

	TX

Total	794
West Texas Markets	5.0
Dallas M. M.	30.6
Dallas County	8.5
Tarrant County	5.7
Rest Dallas Market	16.4
East Texas Markets	7.4
San Antonio M. M.	9.8
Bexar County	6.5
Rest San Antonio Market	3.3
S. Border Markets	6.0
Austin/Waco M. M.	15.0
Travis County	6.0
Rest Austin/Waco Markets	9.0
Houston M. M.	26.2
Harris County	14.8
Rest Houston Market	11.3

Q28. General Vote History:

(NET DIF 1 - Percent 0/1/2 of 4 minus percent 3/4 of 4)

	TX
Total	794
0/1/2 of 4	30.5
1 of 4	14.4
2 of 4	16.1
3/4 of 4	69.5
3 of 4	24.7
4 of 4	44.8
NET DIF 1	-39.0