

Texas Governor and U.S. Senate — October 2026 — Topline Results

Overall results among registered voters who answered each question. Percentages are weighted; base is the unweighted number answering. N = 278 respondents who answered the Senate ballot question (297 started the survey). Field dates: October 15–18, 2026. MOE ±6.5 pts (weighted). Full question wording follows each block.

S1. Are you a registered voter in the State of Texas?

Yes		95%
No		5%

Base (unweighted n) = 278

S2. How likely are you to vote in the November 2026 election?

Extremely likely		88%
Very likely		6%
Somewhat likely		3%
Not very likely		4%

Base (unweighted n) = 278

B1. If the 2026 election for United States Senator from Texas were held today, and the candidates were Ken Paxton (Republican), James Talarico (Democrat), and Ted Brown (Libertarian), who would you vote for?

Ken Paxton (Republican)		43%
James Talarico (Democrat)		48%
Ted Brown (Libertarian)		2%
Someone else		2%
Undecided		5%

Base (unweighted n) = 278

B2. If the 2026 election for Governor of Texas were held today, and the candidates were Greg Abbott (Republican), Gina Hinojosa (Democrat), and Pat Dixon (Libertarian), who would you vote for?

Greg Abbott (Republican)		45%
Gina Hinojosa (Democrat)		46%
Pat Dixon (Libertarian)		2%
Someone else		2%
Undecided		5%

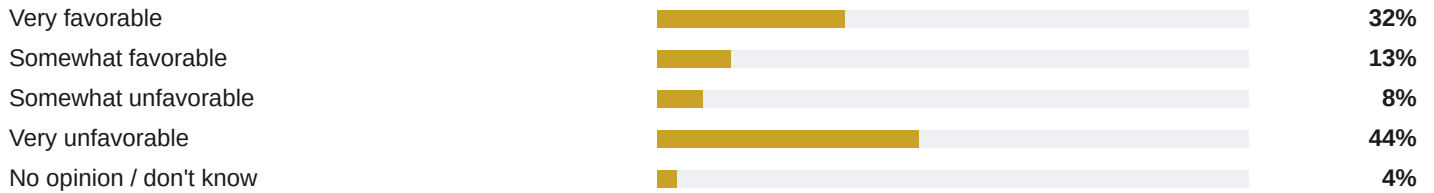
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B3. If the 2026 election for Lieutenant Governor of Texas were held today, and the candidates were Dan Patrick (Republican), Vikki Goodwin (Democrat), Anthony Cristo (Libertarian), and Kevin McCormick (Green), who would you vote for?

Dan Patrick (Republican)		46%
Vikki Goodwin (Democrat)		42%
Anthony Cristo (Libertarian)		2%
Kevin McCormick (Green)		1%
Someone else		2%
Undecided		6%

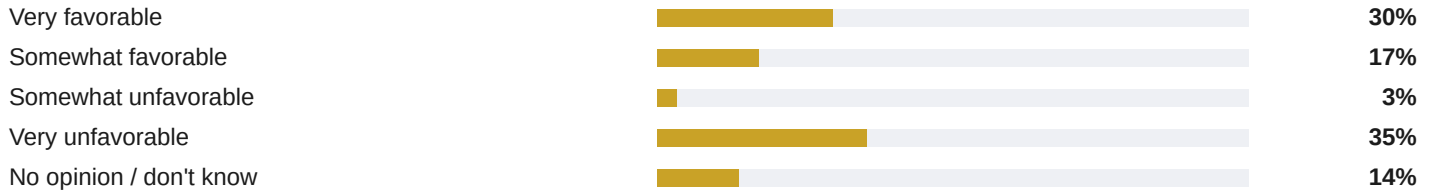
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F1. What is your overall opinion of Greg Abbott?



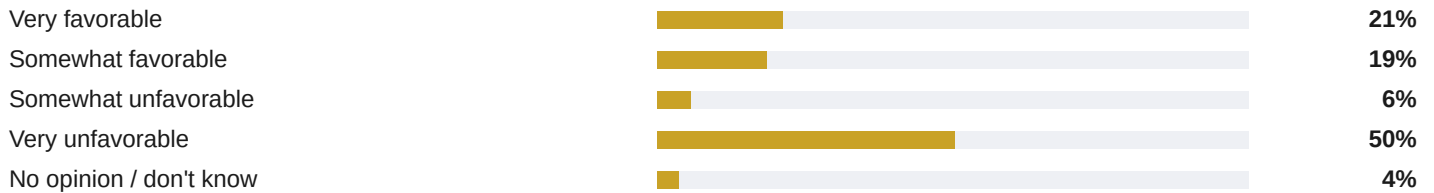
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F2. What is your overall opinion of Gina Hinojosa?



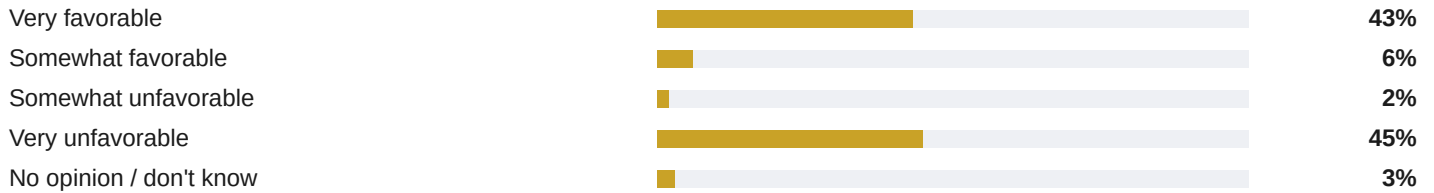
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F3. What is your overall opinion of Ken Paxton?



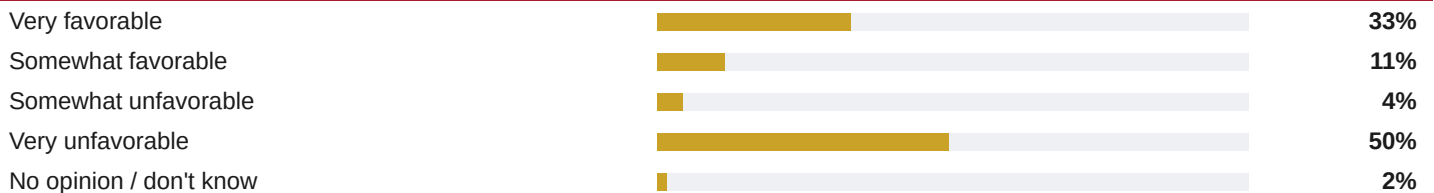
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F4. What is your overall opinion of James Talarico?



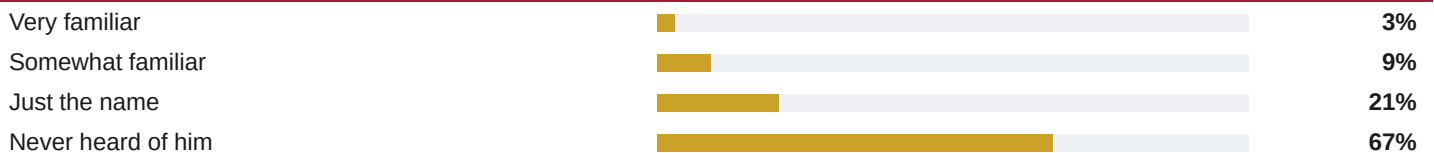
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F5. What is your overall opinion of Donald Trump?



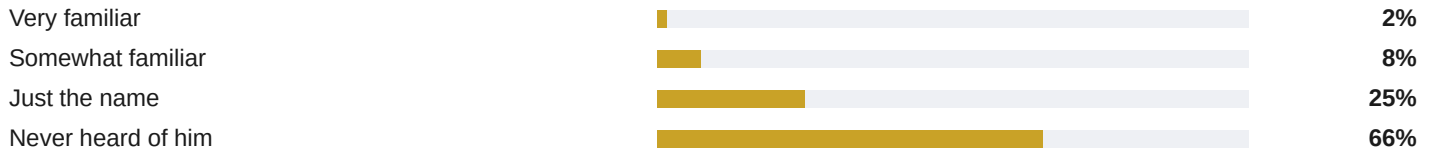
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N1. How familiar are you with Pat Dixon, the Libertarian candidate for Governor?



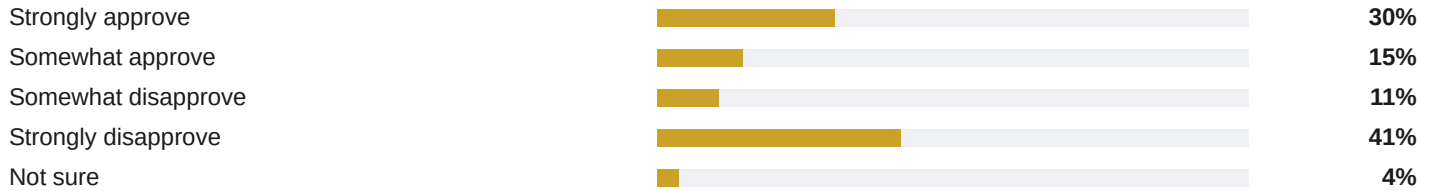
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N2. How familiar are you with Ted Brown, the Libertarian candidate for U.S. Senate?



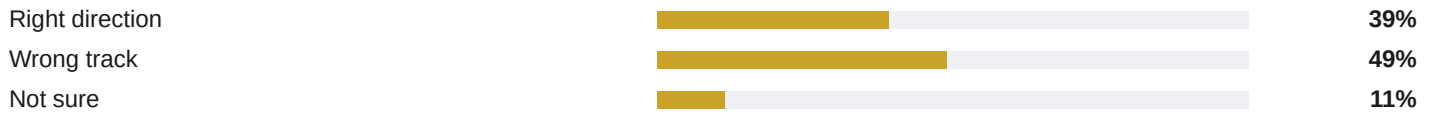
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A1. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Greg Abbott is doing as Governor of Texas?



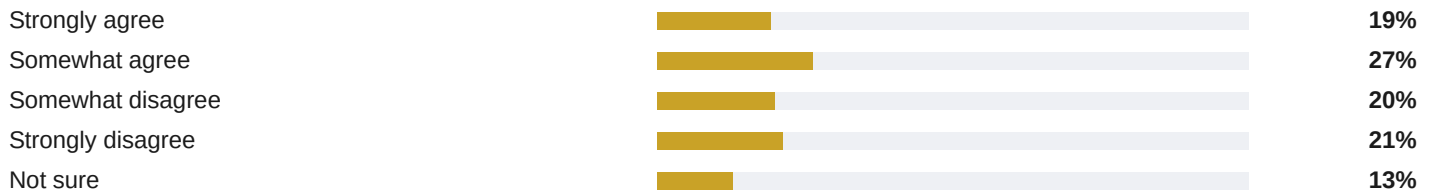
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A2. Do you think Texas is generally headed in the right direction, or is it on the wrong track?



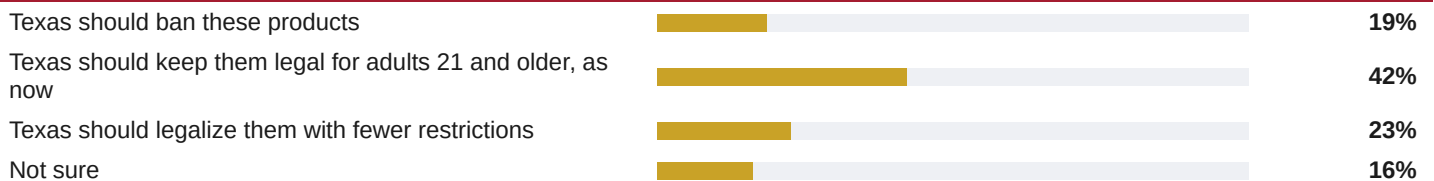
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C1. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statement: "Texas needs more political choices beyond the two major parties."



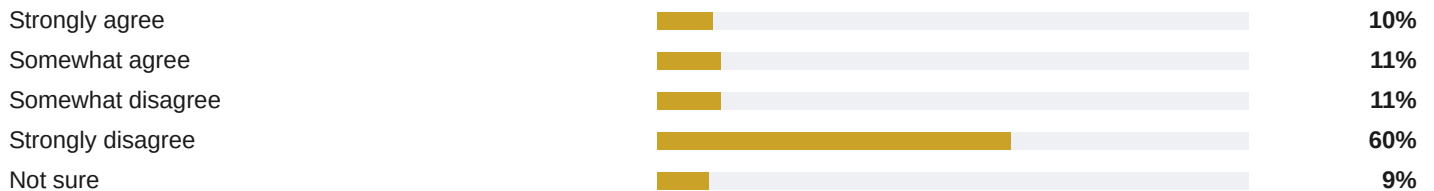
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C2. Texas currently allows stores to sell hemp-derived THC products, such as gummies and drinks, to adults 21 and older. In 2025 the Legislature passed a ban on these products and Governor Abbott vetoed it. Which comes closest to your view?



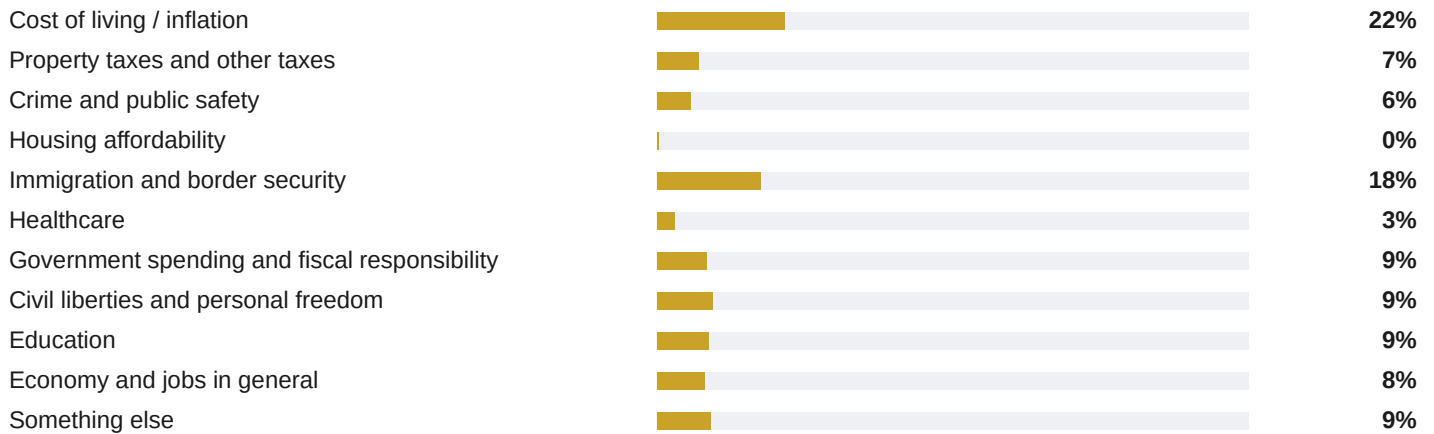
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C3. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: "Americans may have to resort to violence in order to get the country back on track."



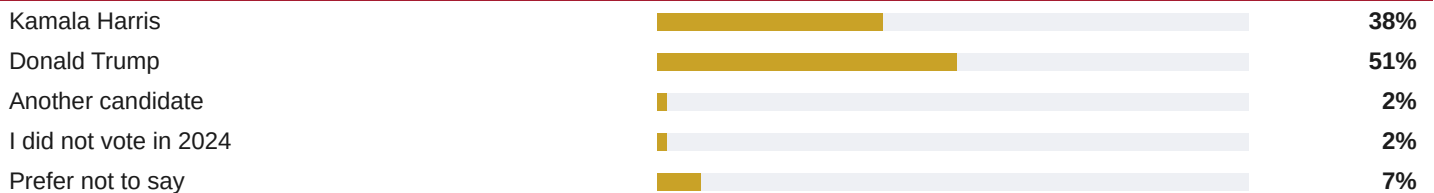
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I1. Which ONE issue is most important to you in deciding your vote this year?



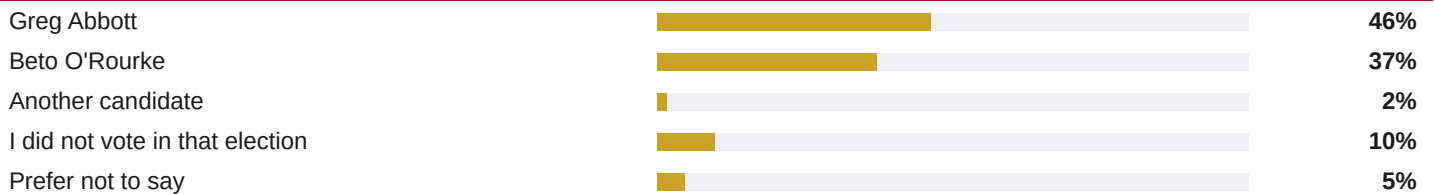
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R1. In the 2024 presidential election, did you vote for...



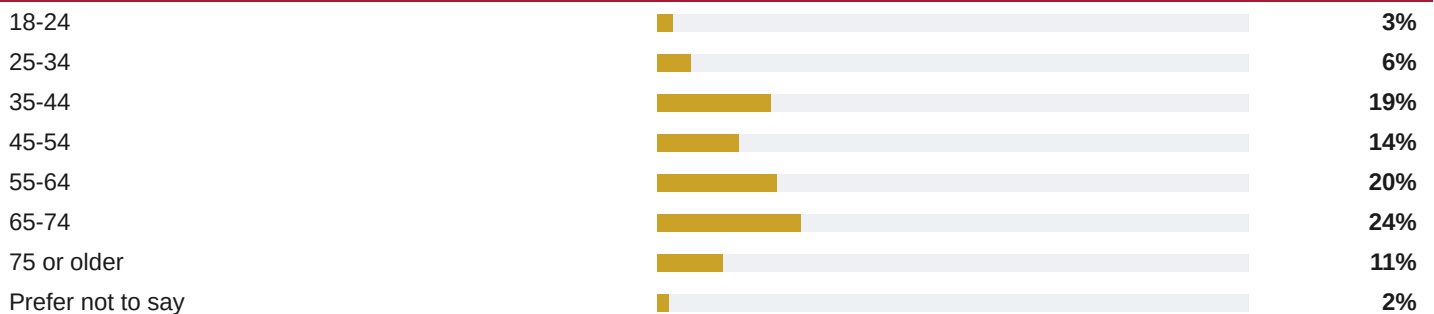
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R2. In the 2022 election for Governor of Texas, did you vote for...



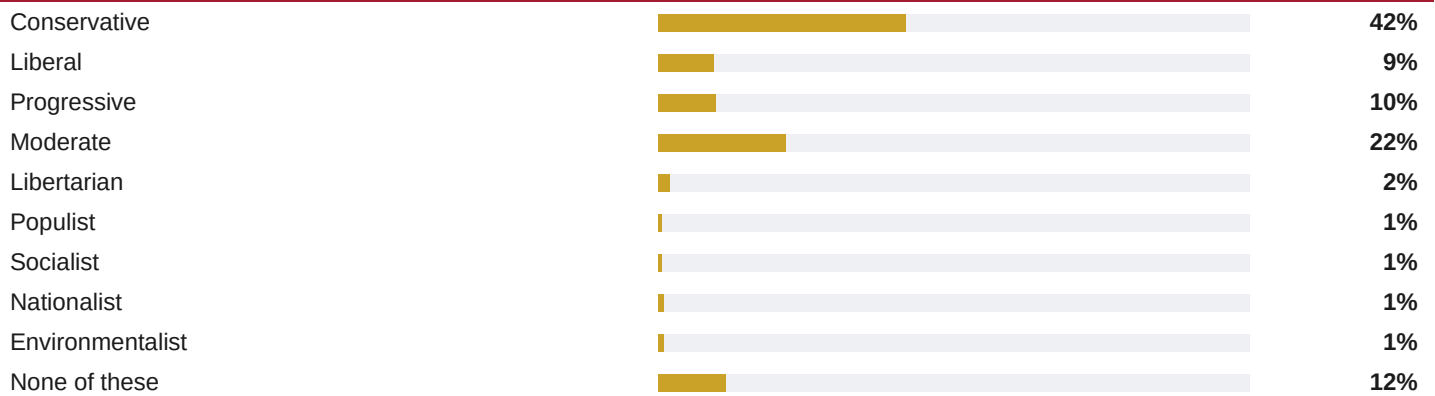
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D1. What is your age?



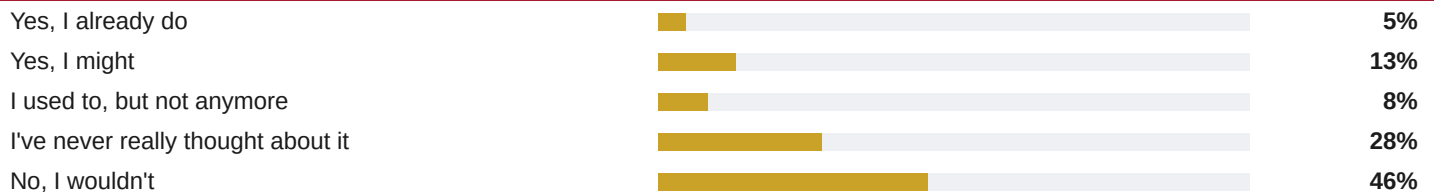
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P1. Which of these would you use to describe your political views?



Base (unweighted n) = 245

P2. Would you ever describe your political views as "libertarian"?



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