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Introduction.

Black women represent decisive forces in elections, yet surveys among them are rare. Even rarer are state-level surveys among Black women.

For the past few elections, National Black Women's Reproductive Justice Agenda: In Our Own Voice has invested in rigorous and robust national and state-level surveys to better understand the voting and policy priorities, needs, and views among Black adults and women.

In 2017, early in the Trump administration, we explored the attitudinal landscape among Black adults related to race, policy, and reproductive justice. In December 2020, prior to Biden taking office, we went back in the field to listen to Black adults' experiences and views over the past few years. Prior to the 2022 midterm elections, we conducted a national survey and several state surveys to better understand Black women voters' issue priorities, values, and reactions to news dominating the headlines at the time.



Here we are in 2024, near the end of the Biden administration, with the country heading into another consequential election. How are Black women in Georgia feeling about the upcoming election? What voting issues are on their minds? What is motivating them to vote? What are their views on abortion and reproductive issues, given the overturning of *Roe v. Wade* and the current abortion ban in Georgia?

These are the questions we set out to answer, with the goal of providing data as a resource for policymakers, the media, and other parties who want to understand the views and lives of Black women in Georgia.

This report provides findings from a statewide survey among n=588 Black women* registered voters. The survey was conducted January 22 through February 9, 2024 via Ipsos' KnowledgePanel, an online panel constructed from address-based probability sampling. The sample was supplemented by off-panel, opt-in sample. The data are weighted to reflect a representative sample of Georgia women registered voters. The margin of sampling error is \pm 5.3 percentage points. Many other types of error can contribute to overall survey error.

This survey is part of a larger project that includes <u>national</u> <u>data</u> among all Black adults.

^{*} Our future surveys will use expansive questions around gender identity. This survey used a standard binary variable. Transgender individuals who identify as women and chose it in a binary question are included in the survey. Typically, surveys tend to find about < 1% to 2% of respondents identifying outside of the binary.



Here is the demographic composition of the survey respondents.

	Weighted %	Unweighted N
Total	100%	588
Black or African American	100%	588
2+ races	6%	35
Hispanic / Latina/o/x	3%	18
18 to 29	15%	92
30 to 44	29%	151
45 to 59	28%	160
60+	29%	185
HS or less	30%	143
Some college	36%	226
College +	34%	219
Democrat	69%	429
Independent	26%	127
Republican	6%	31
Urban	33%	151
Suburban	61%	254
Rural	7%	31



Key findings.



Here are 10 key findings.

1

Young Black women may feel particularly unmotivated to vote in the fall elections.

Just 39% of 18-to 29-year-old respondents say they are "almost certain" to vote this fall, compared to 66% of all respondents.

Four in ten 18- to 29-year-olds (41%) say they've thought about not voting in 2024 as a form of protest. Insights from our national data suggest that young people are discouraged by the choice of candidates. In this survey, 69% of 18- to 29-year-olds say it's extremely or very important that more Black women are elected and nominated to political offices.



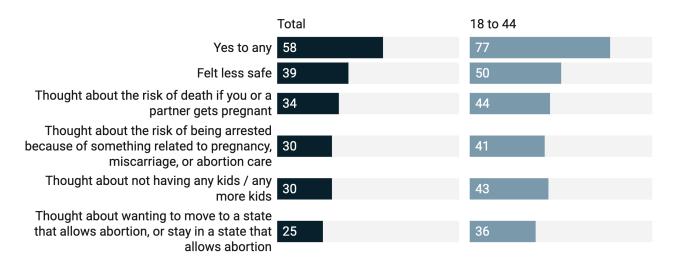
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Abortion bans have affected young people's sense of safety and their thinking about profound life decisions.

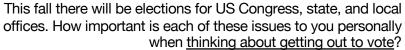
Three in four (77%) respondents of reproductive age say recent bans have made them feel less safe, think about their own risk of death or arrest, reconsider having kids, or consider moving to another state.

As a result of recent abortion bans and restrictions, have you...

% Yes



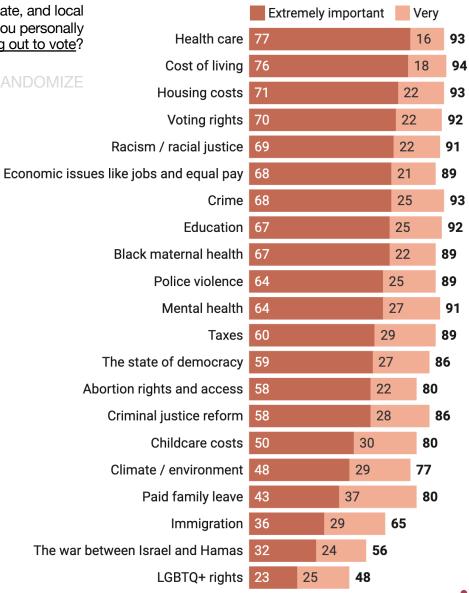




Many issues are on the minds of Black women. Health care, cost of living, housing costs, voting rights, and racism / racial justice top the list.

Mental health is among the top issues for women ages 18 to 29.

Voting rights, the state of democracy, and crime are among the top issues for older women.





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When asked about 20 discrete policy positions, the most important tend to relate to economics, elections, education, and health care.

Georgia women prioritize voting and electionrelated policies more than respondents in our other state surveys.

IMPORTANT POLICY POSITIONS

- Lowering the cost of living and inflation (88% extremely or very important in thinking about voting this fall)
- Lowering taxes for the middle and lower classes (88%)
- Making sure our elections are free from political interference and manipulation (87%)
- Making sure schools teach children about American history, including the impact of slavery and racism (86%)
- Ensuring equal pay for equal work (85%)
- Getting rid of restrictions that make it harder to vote (84%)
- Increasing access to mental health care (84%)



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In a list of 12 motivations to vote, these three rise to the top.

1

People fought and died for the right to vote

24% say this is in the top 1 or 2 motivations to vote

2

Georgia is one of the few states that will decide who becomes president and whether the US Congress becomes Democratic or Republican. That means my vote will matter more than in most other states.

3

People's rights and freedoms are at stake 22%



These are additional motivating factors among many respondents.

- It's a chance to exercise my right to vote
- My family might be affected by the outcome of the elections
- It gives me a voice in the future
- Voting will affect who has the power in my state to make laws



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Large majorities of Black women in Georgia are supportive of abortion rights and access – including most of those who attend religious services regularly. **79%**

Say abortion should be legal in all or most cases

76% of those who attend religious services regularly

Say they'd vote in favor of a state amendment that protects pregnancy

82%

and abortion decisions

80%

91%

Agree: Each person should have the right to make their own decision on abortion, even if I may disagree with it

90%

83%

Say having an abortion can be the responsible choice

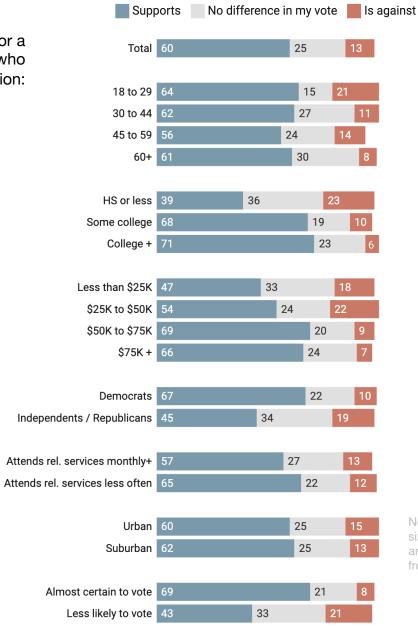
80%



Are you more likely to vote for a candidate for state legislature who _____ access to abortion:

Respondents are five times as likely to vote for a candidate who supports rather than opposes abortion access.

A majority of Black women who attend religious services regularly also says they're more likely to vote for a candidate who supports abortion access.



Note: The sample size is too small to analyze respondents from rural areas.



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A majority of women of reproductive age are interested in getting birth control pills over the counter.

However, the retail price is out of reach for 72% of these women.

54%

Of women 18 to 44 say they are interested in accessing birth control pills over-the-counter

72%

Of women 18 to 44 could not afford to pay \$45 or more for a three-month supply

Note: A three-month supply will retail at \$49.99



Have you ever felt this way?

% Yes

	Total	18 to 44	45+
Yes to any	58	63	53
I felt worried about the health and safety of Black women in my life during their pregnancy or childbirth because of their race	40	46	36
Have felt a health care provider treat you differently because of your race and/or gender		38	35
A health care provider didn't take my pain seriously because of my race and / or gender		36	32
A health care provider didn't take my health concerns seriously because of my race and / or gender	33	37	30
A health care provider didn't understand how my race and culture affects my health	29	35	25
A health care provider didn't give me all the available test and treatment options because of my race and / or gender	27	31	24
A health care provider didn't take my pain seriously during pregnancy or childbirth because of my race and / or gender		26	24
I felt worried about my health and safety during pregnancy or childbirth because of my race	21	30	16
A health care provider didn't give me all the available options for birth control because of my race and / or gender	18	24	13

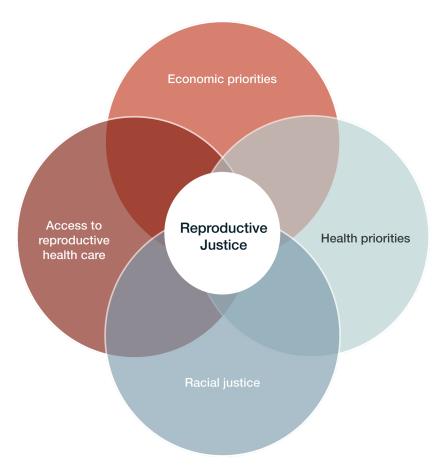


9 A majority of Black women (58%) says they have felt the effects of racial / gender bias in the health care system.

Economic issues top are among the top voting issues – including the cost of living, housing costs, and equal pay.

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Reproductive Justice is at the intersection of top priorities and policy preferences among Black women in Georgia. Many women of reproductive age are profoundly impacted by recent abortion bans. A majority of women of reproductive age can't afford the price of over-the-counter birth control pills despite being interested. Large majorities support access to abortion, comprehensive sex ed, and sex-positive communication with health care providers.



Health care is also a top voting issue. Mental health care is among the top voting issues for 18-to 29-year-olds. Medicaid expansion is among the top priorities for respondents with lower incomes.

Racial justice is top voting issue.

A majority has experienced gender / racial bias in the medical system.



Detailed findings.



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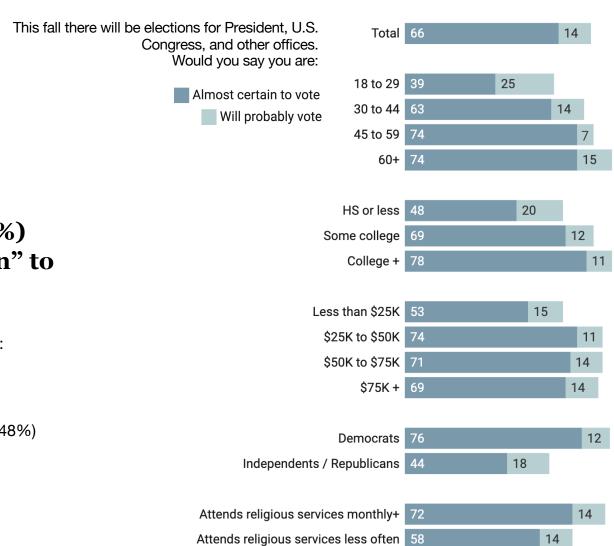
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Voting in the 2024 elections





Urban 64

Suburban 64

Two-thirds of women (66%) say they're "almost certain" to vote this fall.

Women who are least certain to vote include:

- 18- to 29-year-olds (39% almost certain)
- Independent / Republican women (44%)
- Those with a high school degree or less (48%)



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For you personally, how important is voting in the 2024 elections this fall?

1 to 7 scale Not at all important to extremely important Base n = 253

About two-thirds of women say voting in the 2024 elections is "extremely important."

That said, just half of 18- to 44-year-olds (51%) feels the same.

65%	18%	17%
Rate 7 – extremely important	Rate 5 or 6	Rate 1 to 4 – toward not important
51% 18 to 44 74% 45+	23% 18 to 44 15% 45+	26% 18 to 44 11% 45+

74% Democrats

44% Inds / Reps

not important 26% 18 to 44 15% 45+ 11% 45+ 15% Democrats 12% Democrats 26% Inds / Reps 30% Inds / Reps



Respondents are most likely to say voting in the 2024 elections is about "my right" and "my voice." Finish this sentence. For me, voting in this year's election is about: ______.

Select up to 3

RANDOMIZE UP TO NO GOOD CHOICES

My right 65

My voice 58

My duty 37

My power 23

Resistance / pushing back 6

No good choices 5

None of these 3



Eight in ten respondents feel the Black community has the power to change the outcomes of elections. Do you feel the Black community has the power to change the outcomes of elections, or not?

83%

17%

Yes

No

82% 18 to 29 86% 30 to 44 78% 45 to 59 83% 60+

75% HS or less 84% Some college 88% College+

78% Less than \$25K 77% \$25K to \$50K 88% \$50K to \$75K 84% \$75K+



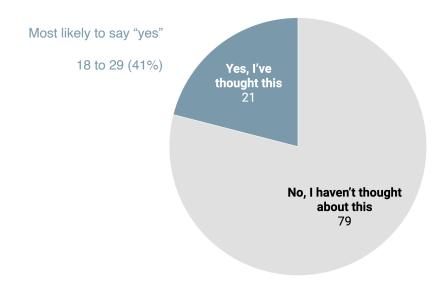
One in five says they've thought about <u>not</u> voting as a form of protest.

Four in ten 18- to 29-year-old women (41%) say they've thought of this.

What might they be protesting? In our companion national survey, we asked a random subset of respondents to explain in an openended question. Here are the main themes:

- Bad candidates, candidates who don't represent their views, Biden/Trump being old white men
- Feeling their vote doesn't count
- Protecting Palestine / protesting what's happening in Gaza

Have you thought about <u>not voting</u> in the 2024 elections as a form of protest?





If the presidential election were held today, two-thirds (65%) say they'd vote for the Democratic candidate.

Among those most certain to vote, 77% say they'd vote for the Democratic candidate v. 8% for the Republican.

See the next page for breakouts by demographic segments.

If the 2024 presidential election were held today, would you vote for:

Base n = 575

65%

8%

4%

Democratic candidate

77% of women almos

Republican candidate

Other

19%

5%

Not sure

Would not vote



	The Democratic candidate	The Republican candidate	Another candidate	Not sure	I would not vote	
Total	65	8	4	19	5	
18 to 29	59	9	7	18	8	
30 to 44	60	9	5	20	5	
45 to 59	65	12	1	15	6	
60+	73	1	3	21	1	
HS or less	58	10	2	21	8	
Some college	64	5	5	22	4	
College +	72	9	3	14	3	
Less than \$25K	63	6	4	19	7	
\$25K to \$50K	71	7	4	17	0	
\$50K to \$75K	66	8	6	12	7	
\$75K +	63	10	2	22	3	

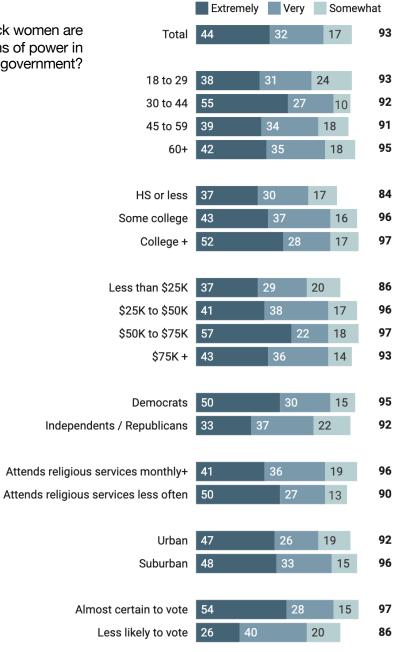
	The Democratic candidate	The Republican candidate	Another candidate	Not sure	I would not vote
Democrats	85	1	2	8	3
Independents / Republicans	21	23	7	41	9
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Attends rel. services monthly+	68	8	3	17	4
Attends rel. services less often	61	8	4	21	6
		_	-		
Urban	69	13	1	12	5
Suburban	69	7	6	13	5
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Almost certain to vote	77	8	2	11	1
Less likely to vote	42	8	7	33	11



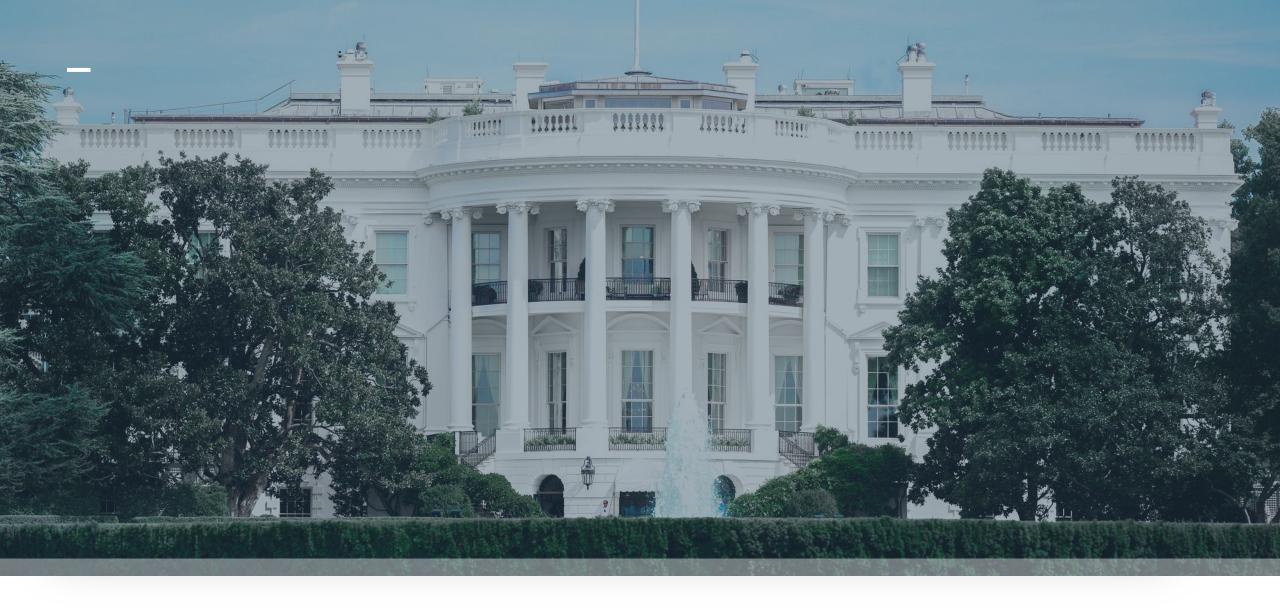
How important is it that more Black women are elected and nominated to positions of power in our government?

Nine in ten Black women (93%) say it's important that more Black women are elected and nominated to positions of power in government.

This sentiment is particularly strong among respondents most likely to vote.







Impact of the Biden administration



A plurality of respondents feels President Biden's policies have both positively and negatively affected their life. In general, do you think President Biden's policies have ____: "Black people" (n = 297) / "your life" (n = 291)

	Black people	Your life
Positively affected	29	26
Negatively affected	11	13
Both positively and negatively affected	48	40
Not affected	9	20



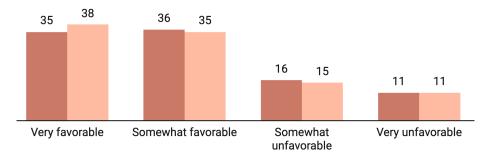
Most have favorable impressions of President Biden and Vice President Harris.

Older women are more likely than younger women to feel favorably.

Do you have a favorable or unfavorable view of:







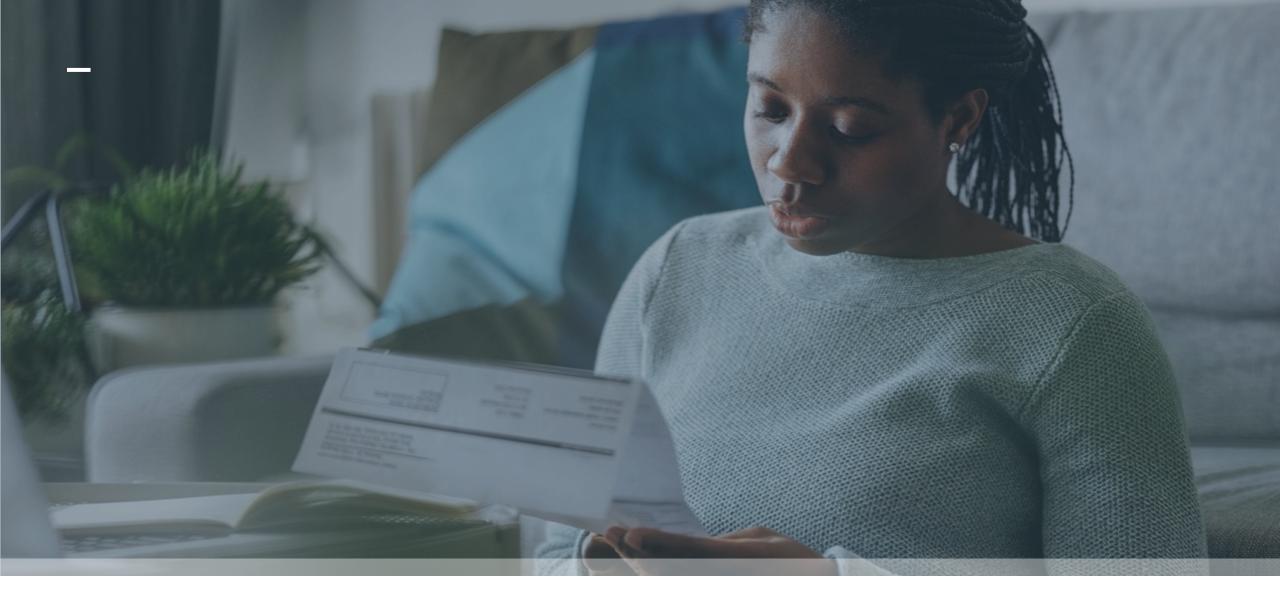
Most likely to be favorable:

- Ages 60+ (84% Biden, 85% Harris)
- Democrats (80%, 83%)

Most likely to be unfavorable:

- Independents / Reps (45%, 44%)
- 18 to 44 (39%, 34%)

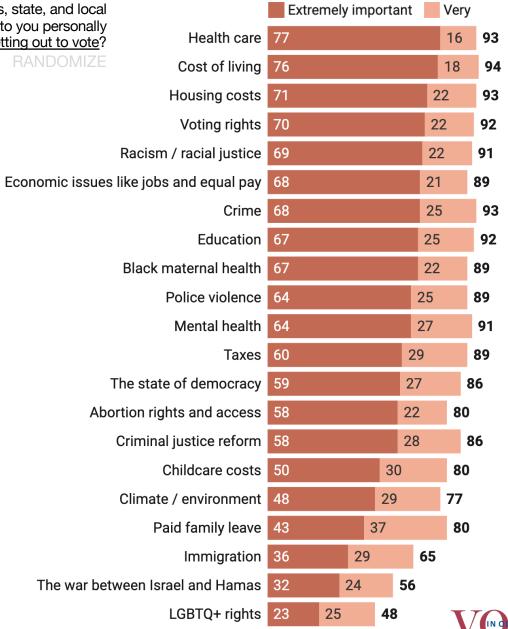




Issue priorities



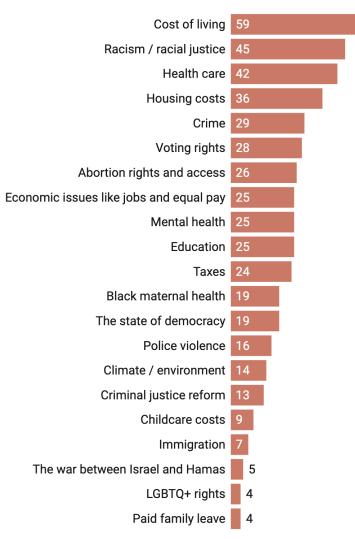
This fall there will be elections for US Congress, state, and local offices. How important is each of these issues to you personally when thinking about getting out to vote?



Many issues are on the minds of Black women. When asked to prioritize their issues, cost of living tops the list.

Choose the top 5 issues that matter <u>most to you</u> when voting in elections.

% In top 5





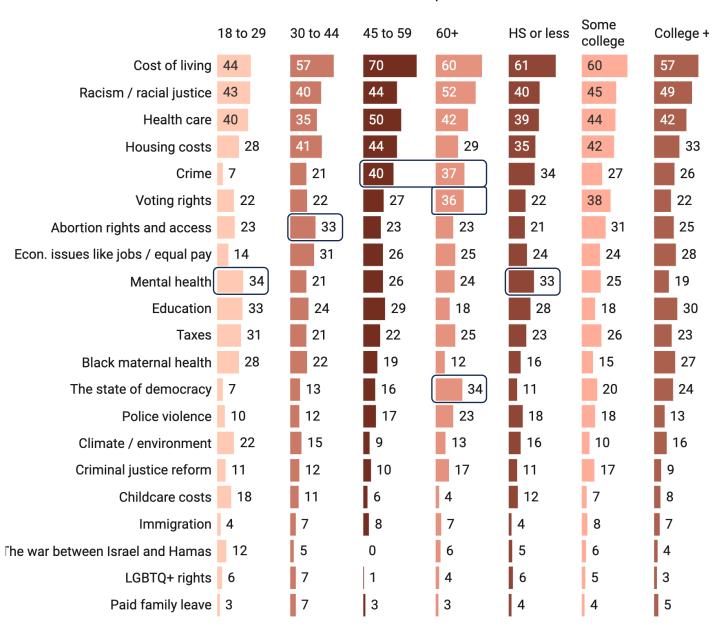
% Chosen as a top 5 issue

Mental health is among the top issues for 18- to 29-year-olds and respondents with a high school degree or less.

Abortion rights and access are among the top issues for 30- to 44-year-old women.

Older voters prioritize voting rights and democracy more than younger voters.

Crime is also more of a priority for older voters (45+).



% Chosen as a top 5 issue

	Less than \$25K		\$50K to \$75K	\$75K +	Democrats	Inds / Reps	Urban	Suburban
Cost of living	61	56	58	61	57	65	67	57
Racism / racial justice	44	39	53	44	50	34	51	41
Health care	41	45	48	38	41	44	51	38
Housing costs	35	35	44	34	37	36	39	44
Crime	31	30	23	29	31	25	25	28
Voting rights	22	29	25	32	33	16	18	28
Abortion rights and access	18	19	25	33	29	19	23	29
Econ. issues like jobs / equal pay	14	27	33	28	25	26	32	27
Mental health	28	28	28	21	22	34	29	24
Education	23	24	26	26	23	29	25	23
Taxes	22	19	22	28	20	34	17	26
Black maternal health	18	20	18	20	20	17	26	19
The state of democracy	11	28	19	21	22	11	14	17
Police violence	22	17	17	12	17	16	17	15
Climate / environment	16	12	14	14	12	18	13	15
Criminal justice reform	14	9	10	14	14	9	9	14
Childcare costs	12	6	6	9	7	13	9	8
Immigration	2	8	8	9	6	9	5	7
The war between Israel and Hamas	5	8	8	2	6	3	4	7
LGBTQ+ rights	4	9	5	2	5	3	5	4
Paid family leave	3	5	5	4	4	5	2	5



Do you support or oppose how Israel has responded to the events of October 7th?

We also explored views toward the war between Hamas and Israel.

Respondents are slightly more likely to oppose than support the way Israel has responded to events of October 7th – but half is unsure.

21%

28%

50%

Support

Most likely
• 18 to 29 (35%)

Oppose

Most likely

- 18 to 29 (36%)
- College+ (35%)

Not sure

Most likely

• Attends rel. services less often (61%)



Respondents are more likely to approve than disapprove of Biden's handling of the war.

Older women are among the most likely to approve. Younger women are among the most likely to disapprove.

Do you approve or disapprove of the way President Biden has dealt with the war between Israel and Hamas?

40%

25%

35%

Approve

Disapprove

Not sure

Most likely

- 60+ (49%)
- Attends rel. services monthly+ (49%)

Most likely

- 18 to 29 (38%)
- Independents / Republicans (35%)





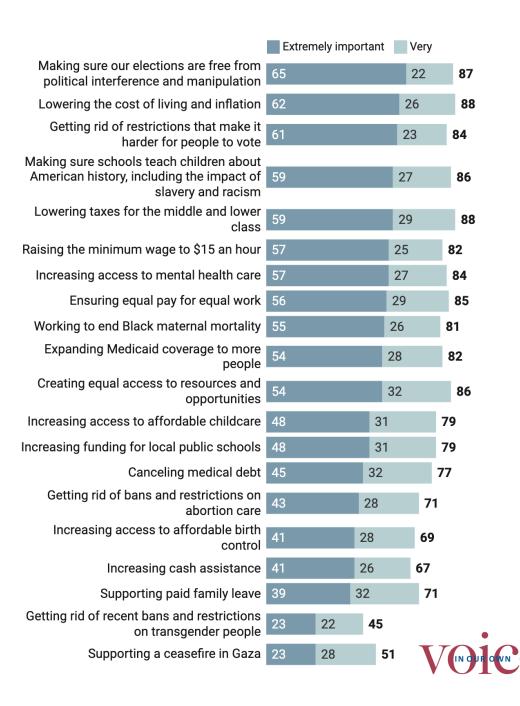
Policy positions



Here are positions some candidates will take in the November elections. How important would each of these issues be to you personally when thinking about getting out to vote?

RANDOMIZE

Majorities say candidate policy positions relating to elections, economic factors, education, and health are extremely important in voting.



% Chosen in top 5

When asked to narrow down to the most important policy positions, economic policies rise to the top.

Lowering the cost of living and inflation	53
Lowering taxes for the middle and lower class	43
Raising the minimum wage to \$15 an hour	42
Getting rid of restrictions that make it harder for people to vote	30
Making sure our elections are free from political interference and manipulation	29
Making sure schools teach children about American history, including the impact of slavery and racism	28
Ensuring equal pay for equal work	27
Expanding Medicaid coverage to more people	26
Increasing access to mental health care	23
Creating equal access to resources and opportunities	22
Working to end Black maternal mortality	21
Getting rid of bans and restrictions on abortion care	20
Increasing cash assistance	19
Canceling medical debt	17
Increasing funding for local public schools	15
Increasing access to affordable childcare	14
Increasing access to affordable birth control	8
Supporting paid family leave	7
Supporting a ceasefire in Gaza	5
Getting rid of recent bans and restrictions on transgender people	5



% Chosen in top 5

Policies relating to free and fair elections are higher priorities for older v. younger respondents.

Working to end Black maternal mortality is among the top policy priorities for college-educated respondents.

	18 to 29	30 to 44	45 to 59	60+	HS or less	Some college	College +
Lowering the cost of living and inflation	44	51	61	50	47	56	54
Lowering taxes for the middle and lower class	31	43	47	45	41	44	43
Raising the minimum wage to \$15 an hour	38	44	42	41	46	46	34
Getting rid of restrictions that make it harder for people to vote	20	29	33	35	20	35	35
Making sure our elections are free from political interference and manipulation	12	20	29	45	18	31	35
Making sure schools teach children about American history, including the impact of slavery and racism	18	28	25	35	25	23	34
Ensuring equal pay for equal work	28	18	33	29	29	30	21
Expanding Medicaid coverage to more people	17	20	26	36	35	30	14
Increasing access to mental health care	18	15	25	32	21	27	21
Creating equal access to resources and opportunities	23	23	25	17	17	20	28
Working to end Black maternal mortality	22	26	15	22	14	18	32
Getting rid of bans and restrictions on abortion care	15	18	23	22	16	21	24
Increasing cash assistance	19	23	18	17	21	24	11
Canceling medical debt	12	22	13	17	15	18	16
Increasing funding for local public schools	14	18	17	12	12	14	20
Increasing access to affordable childcare	20	16	14	8	15	11	15
Increasing access to affordable birth control	11	8	4	10	5	10	9
Supporting paid family leave	5	5	11	8	10	4	8
Getting rid of recent bans and restrictions on transgender people	8	6	4	4	5	6	4
Supporting a ceasefire in Gaza	11	5	2	4	3	5	6

% Chosen in top 5

			\$50K to \$75K	\$75K +	Democrate	Inds / Reps	Urban	Suburban
Lowering the cost of living and inflation	50	45	52	57	49	60	61	49
Lowering taxes for the middle and lower class	35	46	44	45	39	51	34	46
Raising the minimum wage to \$15 an hour	48	45	45	35	40	46	51	44
Getting rid of restrictions that make it harder for people to vote	25	20	27	38	32	28	28	26
Making sure our elections are free from political interference and manipulation	18	29	29	35	32	22	19	24
Making sure schools teach children about American history, including the impact of slavery and racism	24	22	29	31	31	20	20	29
Ensuring equal pay for equal work	18	35	32	26	27	27	27	26
Expanding Medicaid coverage to more people	36	21	25	22	28	23	29	23
Increasing access to mental health care	24	24	23	22	24	21	20	19
Creating equal access to resources and opportunities	17	17	24	25	21	23	21	26
Working to end Black maternal mortality	15	28	23	23	22	19	22	23
Getting rid of bans and restrictions on abortion care	13	17	21	25	22	17	22	16
Increasing cash assistance	26	23	17	14	20	17	18	21
Canceling medical debt	15	23	24	12	17	16	11	23
Increasing funding for local public schools	14	10	14	19	16	13	14	13
Increasing access to affordable childcare	11	10	15	16	16	10	18	17
Increasing access to affordable birth control	7	7	10	8	10	3	7	10
Supporting paid family leave	13	5	4	6	7	9	7	7
Getting rid of recent bans and restrictions on transgender people	5	7	8	3	6	3	4	5
Supporting a ceasefire in Gaza	4	4	5	5	5	4	2	5





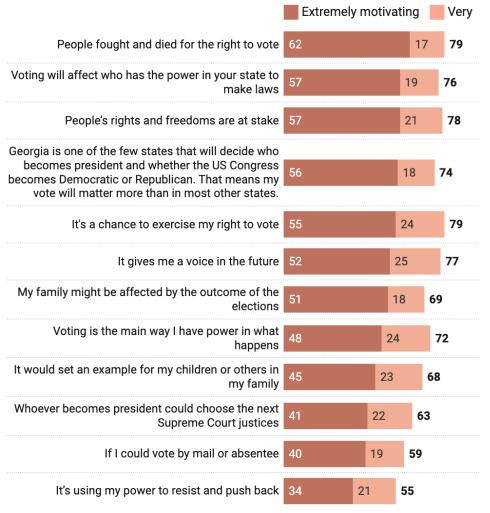
Why vote?



We explored several motivations to vote in the elections this fall.

Respondents say many of these factors are motivating to get out and vote.

For you personally, how motivating is each of these to get out and vote in the elections this fall?





Three rise to the top when forced to choose.

The table on the following page shows the top motivations by demographic group.

Of these, which might be most motivating <u>for</u> you personally to vote this fall? Choose 1 or 2.

People fought and died for the right to vote	24
Georgia is one of the few states that will decide who becomes president and whether the US Congress becomes Democratic or Republican.	23
That means my vote will matter more than in most other states.	25
People's rights and freedoms are at stake	22
It's a chance to exercise my right to vote	17
My family might be affected by the outcome of the elections	13
It gives me a voice in the future	13
Voting will affect who has the power in your state to make laws	12
Voting is the main way I have power in what happens	10
If I could vote by mail or absentee	7
Whoever becomes president could choose the next Supreme Court justices	7
It would set an example for my children or others in my family	6
It's using my power to resist and push back	4



Here are the top 5 motivations by demographic segment.

18 to 29	30 to 44	45 to 59	60+	HS or less	Some college	College +
It's a chance to exercise my right to vote	Georgia is one of the few states that will decide	People fought and died for the right to vote	People's rights and freedoms are at stake	People fought and died for the right to vote	People fought and died for the right to vote	Georgia is one of the few states that will decide
Georgia is one of the few states that will decide	People's rights and freedoms are at stake	Georgia is one of the few states that will decide	Georgia is one of the few states that will decide	People's rights and freedoms are at stake	People's rights and freedoms are at stake	People fought and died for the right to vote
People's rights and freedoms are at stake	People fought and died for the right to vote	It's a chance to exercise my right to vote	People fought and died for the right to vote	It's a chance to exercise my right to vote	Georgia is one of the few states that will decide	People's rights and freedoms are at stake
It gives me a voice in the future People fought and	It gives me a voice in the future It's a chance to	People's rights and freedoms are at stake	My family might be affected by the outcome of the elections	Georgia is one of the few states that will decide	It's a chance to exercise my right to vote	Voting will affect who has the power in your state to make laws
died for the right to vote	exercise my right to vote	It gives me a voice in the future	Voting is the main way I have power in what happens	It gives me a voice in the future	It gives me a voice in the future	My family might be affected by the outcome of the elections



Here are the top 5 motivations by demographic segment.

Less than \$25K	\$25K to \$50K	\$50K to \$75K	\$75K +	Urban	Suburban	Almost certain to vote	Less likely to vote
It's a chance to exercise my right to vote	People's rights and freedoms are at stake	People fought and died for the right to vote	Georgia is one of the few states that will decide	People's rights and freedoms are at stake	Georgia is one of the few states that will decide	Georgia is one of the few states that will decide	People fought and died for the right to vote
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Georgia is one of the few states that will decide It gives me a	Voting will affect who has the power in your state to make laws	It gives me a voice in the future It's a chance to exercise my right	It's a chance to exercise my right to vote My family might	the few states that will decide It's a chance to exercise my right	It's a chance to exercise my right to vote My family might	It's a chance to exercise my right to vote Voting will affect	People's rights and freedoms are at stake
voice in the future	My family might be affected by the outcome of the elections	to vote	be affected by the outcome of the elections	to vote	be affected by the outcome of the elections	who has the power in your state to make laws	It gives me a voice in the future





Views toward reproductive policies



More than three in four respondents say abortion should be legal in all or most cases.

Which comes closest to your view.

Abortion should be:

79%

20%

Legal in all or most cases

Illegal in all or most cases

6% illegal in all cases



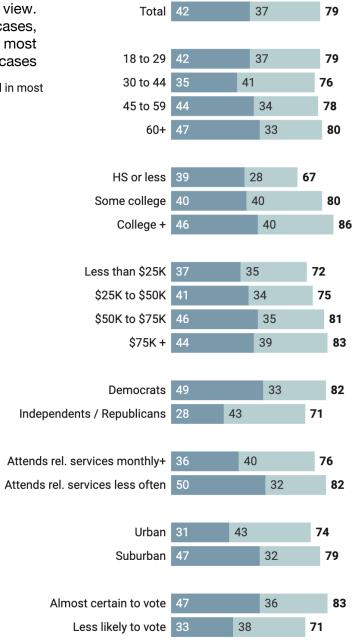
Which comes closest to your view.

Abortion should be legal in all cases, legal in most cases, illegal in most cases, illegal in all cases

Legal in all Legal in most

Majorities across every demographic group think abortion should be legal in all or most cases.

Three in four women (76%) who attend religious services regularly say abortion should be legal in all or most cases.





Eight in ten say they'd vote in favor of a state amendment to guarantee the right to make decisions about pregnancy, including abortion. Let's say there was a proposed amendment to your state constitution. You could vote on it. The amendment would guarantee the right to make all decisions about pregnancy and abortion care, without the state interfering. Would you vote:

ROTATE

82%

16%

In favor of this

Against this

80% 18 to 44 84% 45+

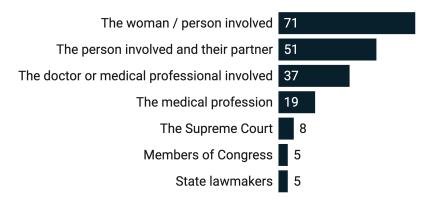


A large majority wants decisions about abortion to rest in the hands of the people involved.

In your view, who should make decisions about when and how someone can get abortion care in your state?

Select any that apply:

RANDOMIZE





Large majorities value each person and circumstance driving decisions, including later in pregnancy.

91%

Agree: Each person should have the right to make their own decision on abortion, even if I may disagree with it

> 74% Strongly agree 17% Somewhat agree

> > 92% 18 to 44 91% 45+

79%

Agree: People should be able to get abortion care as early as possible and as late as necessary. Abortion care provided later in pregnancy occurs under complex and unpredictable circumstances. Medical professionals should be able to care for patients without government interference or fear of punishment

(Base n = 291)

49% Strongly agree 31% Somewhat agree

80% 18 to 44 79% 45+ 83%

Say having an abortion can be a responsible choice

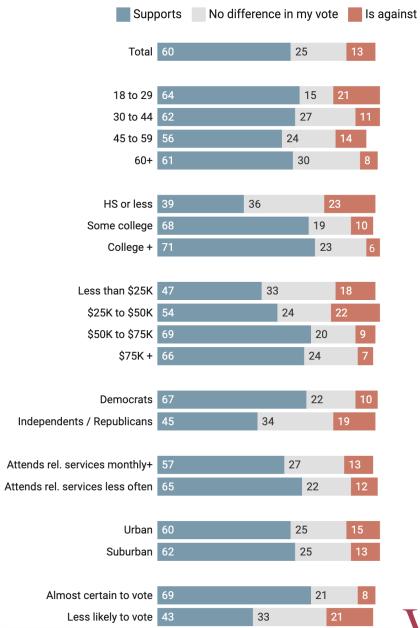
80% 18 to 44 85% 45+



Are you more likely to vote for a candidate for state legislature who access to abortion:

Respondents are nearly five times more likely to vote for a candidate who supports abortion access (60%) than one who opposes it (13%).

Those most likely to vote are eight times more likely to vote for candidates who support abortion access.



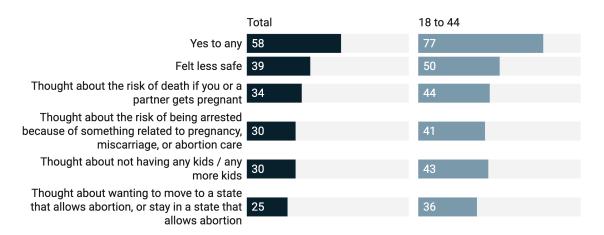


Recent abortion bans are having a personal impact on Black women of reproductive age.

Three in four (77%) respondents of reproductive age say recent bans have made them feel less safe, think about their own risk of death or arrest, reconsider having kids, or consider moving to another state.

As a result of recent abortion bans and restrictions, have you...

% Yes





Four in ten women of reproductive age know someone who has tried to have an abortion in the past year or two.

Do you know anyone who has had an abortion or tried to have an abortion in the past year or two?

24%

42%

Of all women say yes

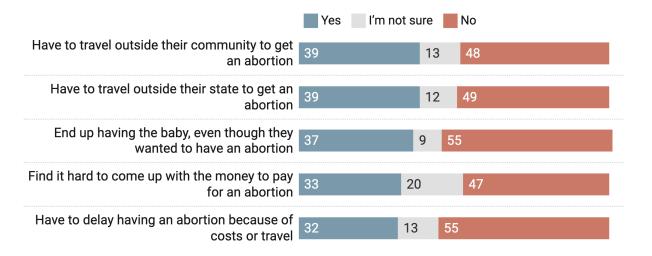
Of women 18 to 44 say yes



Two in three (68%) say the person(s) they know faced at least one of these barriers to care.

Did [ONE PERSON: that person / MORE THAN ONE: any of the people you know]:

Base n = 163 who know someone who has had an abortion or tried to have an abortion in the past two years





A large majority of women support comprehensive sex ed in high school.

Majorities of women who regularly attend religious services also support comprehensive sex ed. Do you support or oppose comprehensive sex ed in high school that covers topics such as abstinence, birth control, abortion, preventing HIV and other sexual transmitted diseases, different sexual orientations, gender identity, sexual violence, consent, and healthy relationships?

85%

13%

Support

Oppose

82% Attends rel. services monthly+ 90% Less often



Four in five women agree that health care providers should create space for conversations about sexuality, including sexual pleasure.

Do you agree or disagree: Our health care providers should create space for education and non-judgmental conversations about sexuality, including how we can experience pleasure.

79%

20%

Agree

Disagree

78% Attends rel. services monthly+





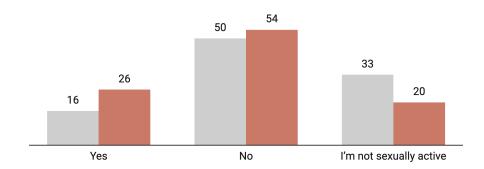
Access to birth control



Roughly one in four women of reproductive age (26%) says they or a partner are currently using birth control.

Are you or your partner currently using birth control?



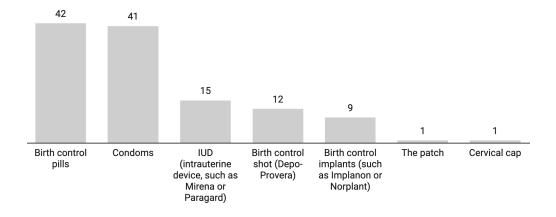




Pills and condoms are the most common birth control methods.

What type(s) of birth control are you or a partner using now? Select any that apply.

Base n = 98 self or partner is currently using birth control





A majority of women of reproductive age expresses interest in getting birth control over the counter. Soon people will be able to get birth control pills over-the-counter. They will be available at the drugstore, like condoms and other birth control methods. How interested are you in getting birth control pills over-the-counter for you or a loved one?

% Very or somewhat interested

54%

Women 18 to 44



The most common questions about over-thecounter pills are around side effects, insurance coverage, and costs. What would you want to know about birth control pills being over-the-counter?

Select the top 3 things you'd want to know.

RANDOMIZE

	Total	18 to 44
What the side effects are	41	41
If insurance will cover it	35	40
How people will know it's safe for them	33	28
How people will know if it's the right version of the pill for them	30	27
What it will cost	29	34
If young girls could get it without a parent's consent	26	27
If there will be info about how to use it properly	17	17
None of these	21	15

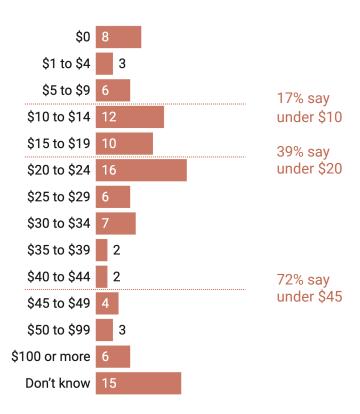


The retail price for over-thecounter birth control (\$49.00) is out of reach for 72% of respondents of reproductive age. Let's say you or a loved one needed a 3-month supply of birth control pills. How much would you be able to pay for it, out-of-pocket, today?

Even if you don't need birth control pills, please imagine a situation in which you or a loved one does.

Your best guess is fine.

Base n = 254 women 18 to 44



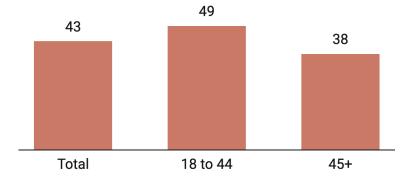


Four in ten respondents (43%) say they are likely to talk with loved ones about over-the-counter access to birth control.

Women of reproductive age are most likely to say they'll have conversations about the topic.

Soon people will be able to get birth control pills over-the-counter. They will be available at the drugstore, like condoms and other birth control methods. Is this something you'd talk about with partners, family, or friends?

% Yes







Experiences with medical bias



A majority of Black women says they have felt the effects of racial / gender bias in the health care system.

Women of reproductive age are more likely than older respondents to say they've felt these effects.

Here are things that can happen in the healthcare system due to racial bias or racism. Have you ever felt this way?

RANDOMIZE

	Total	18 to 44	45+
Yes to any	58	63	53
I felt worried about the health and safety of Black women in my life during their pregnancy or childbirth because of their race	40	46	36
Have felt a health care provider treat you differently because of your race and/or gender		38	35
A health care provider didn't take my pain seriously because of my race and / or gender		36	32
A health care provider didn't take my health concerns seriously because of my race and / or gender	33	37	30
A health care provider didn't understand how my race and culture affects my health	29	35	25
A health care provider didn't give me all the available test and treatment options because of my race and / or gender	27	31	24
A health care provider didn't take my pain seriously during pregnancy or childbirth because of my race and / or gender	25	26	24
I felt worried about my health and safety during pregnancy or childbirth because of my race		30	16
A health care provider didn't give me all the available options for birth control because of my race and / or gender	18	24	13



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