

INTRODUCTION & METHODOLOGY

From August 31—September 5, DHM Research conducted a survey of Oregonians to assess opinions the political mood of the state, trust in political parties, COVID-19 vaccination requirements.

This is the first data release from this survey. Some survey items are withheld for future publication.

Research Methodology: The online survey consisted of 500 Oregon residents ages 18+ and took approximately 10 minutes to complete. This is a sufficient sample size to assess Oregonians' opinions generally and to review findings by multiple subgroups.

Respondents were contacted by using a professionally maintained online panel. A variety of quality control measures were employed, including questionnaire pre-testing, data validation, and real time monitoring of responses. To ensure a representative sample, demographic quotas were set, and data was weighted by area of state, age, gender, race, and education.

Statement of Limitations: Any sampling of opinions or attitudes is subject to a margin of error. The margin of error is a standard statistical calculation that represents differences between the sample and total population at a confidence interval, or probability, calculated to be 95%. This means that there is a 95% probability that the sample taken for this study would fall within the stated margin of error if compared with the results achieved from surveying the entire population. The margin of error for this survey is $\pm 4.4\%$.

DHM Research Background: DHM Research has been providing opinion research and consultation throughout the Pacific Northwest and other regions of the United States for over 40 years. The firm is nonpartisan and independent and specializes in research projects to support public policy making.

**DHM Research
Oregon Statewide Survey**

**August 31–September 5, 2021
Oregonians ages 18+
N=500; ±4.4%
10 minutes**

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DEMOGRAPHICS

These first questions are for demographic purposes only. Your responses are confidential.

1. Which state do you live in? **[Terminate if not Oregon]**

2. What county do you live in? **[Dropdown of all counties in OR, coded into categories]**

| Response category | n=500 |
|-------------------|-------|
| Tri county | 43% |
| Willamette Valley | 27% |
| Rest of state | 31% |

3. In what year were you born?

| Response category | n=500 |
|-------------------|-------|
| 18-29 | 19% |
| 30-44 | 27% |
| 45-64 | 31% |
| 65+ | 23% |

4. With which of the following gender identities do you identify? Check all that apply.

| Response category | n=500 |
|-------------------------------------|-------|
| Male | 49% |
| Female | 50% |
| Non-binary or gender non-conforming | 1% |
| Trans | 1% |
| Something else | - |

5. With which of the following races and ethnicities do you identify? Check all that apply.

| Response category | n=500 |
|------------------------------------|-------|
| African | 1% |
| Asian or Pacific Islander | 6% |
| Black or African American | 5% |
| Hispanic or Latino | 8% |
| Middle Eastern or North African | n=1 |
| Native American or American Indian | 4% |
| Slavic | n=1 |
| White or Caucasian | 84% |
| Something else | 1% |
| I'm not sure | n=1 |

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

| Response category | n=500 |
|----------------------------------|-------|
| Less than high school diploma | 2% |
| High school diploma | 31% |
| 2-year degree/some college/trade | 35% |
| 4-year degree | 22% |
| Graduate degree | 10% |

7. What was your total household income in 2020? Remember to include everyone and your best guess is okay.

| Response category | n=500 |
|---------------------|-------|
| Less than \$25,000 | 25% |
| \$25,00–\$49,999 | 25% |
| \$50,000–\$74,999 | 22% |
| \$75,000–\$99,999 | 10% |
| \$100,000–\$149,999 | 14% |
| \$150,000 or more | 5% |

8. What is your party registration?

| Response category | n=500 |
|----------------------------|-------|
| Democrat | 33% |
| Republican | 24% |
| Non-affiliated/other party | 37% |
| Not registered to vote | 5% |

9. Do any children age 0-17 live in your home?

| Response category | n=500 |
|-------------------|-------|
| Yes | 25% |
| No | 75% |

10. Are you currently employed?

| Response category | n=500 |
|---|-------|
| Full-time, part-time, currently looking | 62% |
| No, and not looking for work | 38% |

11. Have you received the COVID-19 vaccine?

| Response category | n=500 |
|-------------------|-------|
| Yes | 73% |
| No | 27% |

COVID-19

42. How important do you think COVID-19 vaccination is to stopping the spread of infection in your community?

| Response category | n=500 |
|----------------------|-------|
| Very important | 56% |
| Somewhat important | 18% |
| Not too important | 9% |
| Not at all important | 10% |
| Don't know | 7% |

Do you support or oppose the State of Oregon requiring the following people to be vaccinated against COVID-19? (Randomize)

| Response category | n=500 | Strongly support | Somewhat support | Somewhat oppose | Strongly oppose | Don't know |
|---|-------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------|
| 43. Public school teachers | | 53% | 15% | 9% | 18% | 5% |
| 44. Public school students ages 12 and older | | 46% | 16% | 8% | 22% | 8% |
| 45. Public safety employees, including police officers and fire fighters | | 54% | 14% | 8% | 19% | 6% |
| 46. Doctors, nurses, dentists, and other healthcare providers | | 55% | 15% | 6% | 19% | 5% |
| 47. Service employees, such as people who work at restaurants, grocery stores, and retail | | 47% | 18% | 8% | 21% | 6% |
| 48. People who work in large office buildings | | 46% | 17% | 9% | 21% | 8% |
| 49. People on the Oregon Health Plan, the state's public health insurance program | | 48% | 15% | 7% | 21% | 8% |

Governor Brown has mandated that all public school and healthcare workers take the COVID-19 vaccine. Some communities, particularly in rural Oregon, oppose the mandate because many local teachers and healthcare workers say they will quit their jobs rather than take the vaccine. These communities fear that schools and healthcare facilities will close if these workers follow through and quit their jobs.

50. Knowing this, do you support or oppose Governor Brown's mandate that all public school and healthcare workers take the COVID-19 vaccine?

| Response category | n=500 |
|-------------------|-------|
| Strongly support | 44% |
| Somewhat support | 16% |
| Somewhat oppose | 9% |
| Strongly oppose | 27% |
| Don't know | 5% |

SEPTEMBER 11th, AFGHANISTAN

September 11, 2021, will be the twenty-year anniversary of the terrorist attacks on the United States.

51. All in all, has the United States government's responses to the September 11th attacks made the country more safe or less safe?

| Response category | n=500 |
|----------------------------|-------|
| More safe | 28% |
| Neither more nor less safe | 46% |
| Less safe | 16% |
| Don't know | 9% |

52. Looking back, do you now think that the United States made the right decision or the wrong decision in using military force in Afghanistan?

| Response category | n=500 |
|-------------------|-------|
| Right decision | 36% |
| Wrong decision | 39% |
| Don't know | 25% |

53. Do you think that the United States mostly succeeded or mostly failed in achieving its goals in Afghanistan?

| Response category | n=500 |
|-------------------|-------|
| Mostly succeeded | 20% |
| Mostly failed | 58% |
| Don't know | 22% |

54. Do you approve or disapprove of the United States removing its troops from Afghanistan?

| Response category | n=500 |
|---------------------|-------|
| Strongly approve | 31% |
| Somewhat approve | 27% |
| Somewhat disapprove | 17% |
| Strongly disapprove | 12% |
| Don't know | 14% |

Q55-Q68 withheld for future release.