

**Questionnaire
INCA0002**

Page: inputzip_pg

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OPEN INTEGER TEXTBOX

What is your zip code?

cols	5
required_text	Please provide a valid 5-digit zip code
min	501
varlabel	Residence zip code
max	99999
required	HARD

Page: inputstate_pg

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DROPDOWN

In which state do you live?

varlabel	State of Residence
required	SOFT

Questionnaire

- 1 Alabama
- 2 Alaska
- 4 Arizona
- 5 Arkansas
- 6 California
- 8 Colorado
- 9 Connecticut
- 10 Delaware
- 11 District of Columbia
- 12 Florida
- 13 Georgia
- 15 Hawaii
- 16 Idaho
- 17 Illinois
- 18 Indiana
- 19 Iowa
- 20 Kansas
- 21 Kentucky
- 22 Louisiana
- 23 Maine
- 24 Maryland
- 25 Massachusetts
- 26 Michigan
- 27 Minnesota
- 28 Mississippi
- 29 Missouri
- 30 Montana
- 31 Nebraska
- 32 Nevada
- 33 New Hampshire
- 34 New Jersey
- 35 New Mexico
- 36 New York
- 37 North Carolina
- 38 North Dakota
- 39 Ohio
- 40 Oklahoma
- 41 Oregon
- 42 Pennsylvania
- 44 Rhode Island
- 45 South Carolina
- 46 South Dakota
- 47 Tennessee
- 48 Texas
- 49 Utah
- 50 Vermont
- 51 Virginia
- 53 Washington

- 54 ○ West Virginia
- 55 ○ Wisconsin
- 56 ○ Wyoming
- 60 ○ American Samoa
- 64 ○ Federated States of Micronesia
- 66 ○ Guam
- 68 ○ Marshall Islands
- 69 ○ Northern Mariana Islands
- 70 ○ Palau
- 72 ○ Puerto Rico
- 74 ○ U.S. Minor Outlying Islands
- 78 ○ Virgin Islands
- 81 ○ Alberta
- 82 ○ British Columbia
- 83 ○ Manitoba
- 84 ○ New Brunswick
- 85 ○ Newfoundland
- 86 ○ Northwest Territories
- 87 ○ Nova Scotia
- 88 ○ Nunavut
- 89 ○ Ontario
- 90 ○ Prince Edward Island
- 91 ○ Quebec
- 92 ○ Saskatchewan
- 93 ○ Yukon Territory
- 99 ○ Not in the U.S or Canada
- 998 *Skipped*
- 999 *Not Asked*

Page: implicit_page_region

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SINGLE CHOICE

In which census region do you live?

pii False

varlabel Region

tags division, census, computed, Profile_Basic_Info, region, geography, profile_core, Profile_Codebook_Demographics, Profile_Codebook_Location, Profile_Codebook, used_in_US_Omni_Survey_Template

required SOFT

- 1 Northeast
- 2 Midwest
- 3 South
- 4 West
- 8 *Skipped*
- 9 *Not Asked*

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Page: thanksout if screen_flag == 1

We're sorry, but you do not qualify for this survey. Thank you for your time.

Exit (screenout)

Page: intro_pg

<p>A California-based non-profit is conducting a poll to learn what Californians would think about California having more political autonomy, either within the U.S. or as an independent country.</p>

Page: implicit_page_Q1

Q1-
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SINGLE CHOICE

Were you born...?

varlabel Place of birth

required SOFT

- ¹ in California
- ² elsewhere in the U.S.
- ³ outside the U.S.
- ⁸ *Skipped*
- ⁹ *Not Asked*

Page: implicit_page_Q2

Q2-
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SINGLE CHOICE

Which statement do you agree with most?

varlabel American and California Identity

required SOFT

- ¹ I feel more American than Californian
- ² I feel more Californian than American
- ³ I feel equally Californian and American
- ⁸ *Skipped*
- ⁹ *Not Asked*

Page: implicit_page_Q3

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SINGLE CHOICE

Which government do you trust more? California's state government in Sacramento, or the federal government in Washington, DC?

varlabel Californians' relationship with the U.S.

required SOFT

- 1 the state government
- 2 the federal government
- 3 both equally
- 8 *Skipped*
- 9 *Not Asked*

Page: implicit_page_Q4

Q4-
prompt
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SINGLE CHOICE

California governors Gavin Newsom and Arnold Schwarzenegger have sometimes called California a "nation-state," implying that California is in some ways its own nation. How accurate is it to refer to California this way?

varlabel California a 'nation-state'

required SOFT

- 1 Very accurate
- 2 Somewhat accurate
- 3 Somewhat inaccurate
- 4 Very inaccurate
- 8 *Skipped*
- 9 *Not Asked*

Page: implicit_page_Q5

**Q5-
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SINGLE CHOICE

Suppose that a majority of Californians wanted California to peacefully secede from the U.S. and become an independent country. Would that be possible?

Pick the statement you agree with the most:

varlabel Secede from US possibility
required SOFT
order randomize

- ¹ California could become an independent country with the approval of Congress, like Cuba and the Philippines did. (Do you strongly agree or somewhat agree? [Q5_1])
- ² California could never become an independent country because the Civil War decided that states cannot secede. (Do you strongly agree or somewhat agree? [Q5_2])
- ⁸ *Skipped*
- ⁹ *Not Asked*

Page: implicit_page_Q6

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SINGLE CHOICE

California's economy is bigger than Canada's, and its population is about the same size.

Regardless of your answer to the previous question, imagine that at some point in the next ten years, California were to peacefully become an independent country with a friendly relationship with the U.S., like Canada.

Compared to the way things are now, do you think Californians would be...

varlabel An independent country like Canada

required SOFT

- ¹ Much better off
- ² Somewhat better off
- ³ Somewhat worse off
- ⁴ Much worse off
- ⁸ *Skipped*
- ⁹ *Not Asked*

Page: implicit_page_Q7

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SINGLE CHOICE

Some countries, like the United Kingdom and Spain, grant certain parts of the country more autonomy over their own affairs, including health care, environmental policy, and how to spend taxes collected by the national government.

Suppose that at some point in the next ten years, California negotiated a special autonomous status for itself, giving Californians more control over decisions currently made by the federal government. California would still be part of the U.S.

Compared to the way things are now, do you think Californians would be...

varlabel Special autonomy
required SOFT

- ¹ Much better off
- ² Somewhat better off
- ³ Somewhat worse off
- ⁴ Much worse off
- ⁸ *Skipped*
- ⁹ *Not Asked*

Page: implicit_page_Q8

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SINGLE CHOICE

About 45% of California's land and nearly half of California's water infrastructure is owned and controlled by the federal government.

Supposed that at some point over the next ten years, California negotiated transferring ownership of nearly all federal land and federal water infrastructure to California's state and local governments. California would otherwise remain a regular U.S. state.

Compared to the way things are now, do you think Californians would be...

varlabel Transfer land ownership

required SOFT

- 1 Much better off
- 2 Somewhat better off
- 3 Somewhat worse off
- 4 Much worse off
- 8 *Skipped*
- 9 *Not Asked*

Page: Proposed_Policies_intro_pg

<p>Now you're going to see some proposed policy changes that would increase California's independence from the federal government.</p> <p>For each policy, please answer whether you think the policy should <i>definitely</i>, <i>probably</i>, <i>probably not</i>, or <i>definitely not</i> be implemented.</p>

Page: implicit_page_Q9

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SINGLE CHOICE

Should nearly all federal land in California be transferred to, and managed by, state and local governments?

varlabel Federal land

required SOFT

- 8 *Skipped*
- 9 *Not Asked*

Page: implicit_page_Q10

Q10-
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SINGLE CHOICE

Should nearly all federal water infrastructure in California (including dams and canals) be transferred to, and managed by, state and local water agencies?

varlabel Federal water infrastructure

required SOFT

⁸ Skipped

⁹ Not Asked

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SINGLE CHOICE

Should California create a permanent commission dedicated to helping the state gain more autonomy from the federal government, including more control over federal tax dollars paid by Californians?

varlabel More autonomy

required SOFT

⁸ Skipped

⁹ Not Asked

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SINGLE CHOICE

Should California's state government create a new law enforcement division focused on violent extremism and hate crimes, so that Californians are less dependent on the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) to ensure their safety?

varlabel A new law enforcement division

required SOFT

⁸ Skipped

⁹ Not Asked

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SINGLE CHOICE

California has 16 Border Protection Stations along its borders with Arizona, Nevada, and Oregon. These stations are primarily used to inspect plant material for agricultural pests.

Should California use its Border Control Stations more like a country by checking for illegal guns, drugs, and other contraband?

varlabel Border Control Stations

required SOFT

⁸ *Skipped*

⁹ *Not Asked*

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SINGLE CHOICE

California's state government has a Rainy Day Fund, but California's constitution caps how much money can be set aside in the fund. Currently the cap is about \$21 billion, while California's annual budget is about \$210 billion.

Should California double the maximum size of its Rainy Day Fund, as some state legislators are proposing, to reduce California's dependence on the federal government during a major natural disaster or economic downturn?

varlabel Rainy Day Fund

required SOFT

⁸ *Skipped*

⁹ *Not Asked*

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SINGLE CHOICE

Both the California and U.S. constitutions guarantee equal protection under the law.

However, in California, there is a loophole: a discriminatory ballot initiative can simply amend the California constitution's definition of equal protection so that it doesn't apply to the initiative.

Prop 8 (2008), the same-sex marriage ban, used this loophole to exempt itself from equal protection review by California's court system. Prop 8 was finally struck down in *federal* court in 2013.

Should California revise its constitution to close this loophole?

varlabel Equal protection under the law

required SOFT

⁸ *Skipped*

⁹ *Not Asked*

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SINGLE CHOICE

Should California's Supreme Court openly ridicule and bypass U.S. Supreme Court decisions they believe deliberately misinterpret the U.S. Constitution?

varlabel Bypass U.S. Supreme Court decisions

required SOFT

⁸ *Skipped*

⁹ *Not Asked*

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SINGLE CHOICE

Since abortion became illegal in several U.S. states following the 2022 *Dobbs* decision, many U.S. companies have started providing travel benefits that cover the cost for employees who need to travel out-of-state for abortions.

Should the state of California guarantee that all U.S.-based employees of its contractors be able to access an abortion? State contractors would have the option of providing abortion travel benefits directly or having a portion of their contract payout put into a special state fund for that purpose.

varlabel Abortion travel expenses

required SOFT

⁸ *Skipped*

⁹ *Not Asked*

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SINGLE CHOICE

Almost two million Californians are undocumented immigrants, whom the federal government has the legal authority to deport.

Should California adopt a policy of total non-cooperation with U.S Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) if they attempt to deport state residents who have lived in the state for more than 5 years and have not been convicted of a crime?

varlabel Undocumented immigrants

required SOFT

⁸ *Skipped*

⁹ *Not Asked*

Page: Hardball_Tactics_intro_pg

<p>Finally, you're going to be asked some questions about how far you want California's members of Congress to go to protect Californians and California's autonomy.</p> <p>Although Californians are under-represented in the U.S. Senate and the Electoral College, Californians have tremendous power in the U.S. House of Representatives. The next session of the U.S. House will be narrowly divided along party lines and is expected to have difficulty adopting budgets and other must-pass bills without California votes.</p>

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SINGLE CHOICE

Should California's U.S. Representatives vote against any budget that enables mass deportation of undocumented Californians, even if that leads to a temporary government shutdown?

varlabel Mass deportation of undocumented Californians

required SOFT

⁸ *Skipped*

⁹ *Not Asked*

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SINGLE CHOICE

Much of California's health care funding comes from the federal government. However, this money comes entirely from federal taxes paid by Californians.

Under California law (SB 770), California plans to make a federal waiver request that would give California the flexibility to use these funds to create a unified health care system (rather than the current split of funds between Medicaid, Medicare, and the state's health care exchange).

If the next administration rejects California's waiver request, should California's U.S. Representatives block the federal budget and other must-pass bills until the waiver is granted or written into federal law, even if that leads to a temporary government shutdown?

varlabel Health care funding

required SOFT

⁸ *Skipped*

⁹ *Not Asked*

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SINGLE CHOICE

In general, are California's U.S. Representatives justified in using hardball tactics in the House to gain greater autonomy for California, since Californians are systematically under-represented in other parts of the federal government?

varlabel Hardball tactics

required SOFT

⁸ *Skipped*

⁹ *Not Asked*