



CA-11 U.S. House, California Elections and Policy Poll (CEPP)

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The California Elections and Policy Poll (CEPP) conducted by the University of Southern California and the USC Democracy and Fair Elections Lab is a representative survey of likely California voters in U.S. House district CA-11. CA-11 is a congressional open seat with Democrats Connie Chan and Scott Wiener competing to replace Nancy Pelosi following Pelosi's retirement. This poll was fielded October 16 to October 19, 2026. The survey results are a snapshot of the congressional district electorate's attitudes on the days in which the poll was fielded and may not reflect changes to voter attitudes that occur between the poll's dates and Election Day, especially as respondents may change their mind. Results of topline and crosstabs may sum to slightly more or less than 100 due to rounding. This poll was conducted by the USC Democracy and Fair Elections Lab, and the poll was directed by Dr. Christian Grose (Lead CEPP Pollster, USC); Alexander Wong (Deputy CEPP Pollster, USC); Dr. Jose J. Alcocer (Harvard); Mateo Schehtman (USC); and Christina You (USC). The poll was funded independently by the USC Democracy and Fair Elections Lab and there is no political or corporate sponsorship of this poll.

Survey methodology: The survey of 454 California voters is representative of the California likely voter electorate in CA-11. The overall poll has a margin of error of +/- 4.6% points; with larger margins of error for subgroups and crosstabs. Voters were randomly sampled directly from the California voter file, ensuring equal probability of participation for all voters; and to provide representativeness of the CA-11's voters. Then, voters were screened for those who said they were "very likely" or "somewhat likely" to vote; or who stated they had already voted. The poll was conducted via email to the probability-based sample of voters directly and randomly sampled off the California voter file. Survey weights standard in the field were used to adjust the full sample, so the final results are representative of the likely California CA-11 electorate. The survey weights included demographic variables such as party, race/ethnicity, gender, and age. A raking procedure using the anesrake method in the statistical program R was conducted. The survey was offered in English, and respondents also had the option to take the survey in Spanish, Mandarin/Chinese, Korean, and Vietnamese. The CEPP congressional polls in the 2024 general election were the most accurate in the state of California with the lowest error in predicting the margin of victory between candidates across multiple statewide elections, and the CEPP poll has been fielded in every primary and general election since 2022.

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Summary of findings from California's 11th Congressional District

1. Scott Wiener holds a slight lead over Connie Chan in the open seat election for U.S. House in California's 11th Congressional District. Among likely voters, Scott Wiener holds a 47% to 41% lead over Connie Chan with 9% undecided and 3% not planning to vote in this U.S. House contest. When the undecided voters are pushed to make a selection, Wiener leads 51% to 44% over Chan with 5% not planning to vote in this U.S. House contest. Both of these leads are just within the margin of error, suggesting a competitive race just two weeks from Election Day.

2. San Francisco and the CA-11 congressional district that encompasses nearly the entire city is famously progressive, yet the candidate with a slight lead in the U.S. House poll, Scott Wiener, is viewed as less liberal than his opponent Connie Chan. Of the two candidates competing for the U.S. House seat, slightly more voters say Connie Chan is "very liberal" while a plurality of voters say Scott Wiener is "somewhat liberal." Of all likely voters in CA-11, 36% say that Connie Chan is "very liberal," 24% say "somewhat liberal," 18% say "moderate," and the rest say "somewhat conservative," "very conservative," or do not know. Among these same voters in CA-11, 28% say Scott Wiener is "very liberal," 39% say he is "somewhat liberal," 20% say he is "moderate" and the remainder say he is conservative or they do not know his ideology. Wiener's narrow lead in the topline shows that voters think both candidates are on the left, but Wiener is viewed by voters as less liberal.

3. Nancy Pelosi is very popular with her voters as she ends her long and historic congressional career with a net +23 approval. Voters in the 11th congressional district, which Rep. Pelosi has represented for decades, have favorable views of the outgoing incumbent. Fifty-five percent of voters in the district approve of Pelosi with less than one-third of voters in her congressional district disapproving; and 11% neither approving nor disapproving and 2% saying they did not know.

4. Pelosi has endorsed Connie Chan, but the polling results in CA-11 show that a number of people who support Pelosi are nevertheless splitting their votes between Scott Wiener and Connie Chan. In fact, 54% of those who strongly approve of Pelosi and 60% of those who somewhat approve indicate support for Wiener. Among those same groups, 46% of those who strongly approve of Pelosi and 39% of those who somewhat approve of Pelosi say they will vote for Chan.

5. Favorite son, 2028? San Francisco Democratic voters in CA-11 choose Gavin Newsom over Kamala Harris when asked who they would vote for in a head-to-head 2028 Democratic presidential primary. We asked Democratic voters to choose only between Newsom and Harris for 2028 president. While both Newsom and Harris have deep ties to the Bay Area, 58% of San Francisco Democratic voters in CA-11 would choose Newsom over Harris in a head-to-head 2028 primary and 29% would choose Harris over Newsom. The remainder of Democratic voters (13%) said they would not participate in this election if these were the only two choices. Under an open-ended response, other potential candidates are more popular, with 21% of respondents naming Pete Buttigieg, 20% for Jon Ossoff, 18% for Gavin Newsom, and 10% for Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez over 5% for Kamala Harris.

6. Mayor Daniel Lurie has sky-high approval among San Francisco voters in the 11th congressional district with a net +37 approval. The 11th congressional district is entirely within the boundaries of the city of San Francisco, and nearly 90% of the city's residents are in CA-11. For this reason, we also asked about voters' approval of Mayor Daniel Lurie. Lurie's approval numbers are quite strong with 63% approving, 26% disapproving, 9% neither approving nor disapproving, and 2% who said they did not know. These approval numbers rival and slightly exceed outgoing Rep. Nancy Pelosi's approval numbers in the district. Lurie's support comes primarily from voters who classified themselves as somewhat liberal, moderate, somewhat conservative, and very conservative. On the other hand, voters who identified as very liberal disapproved of Lurie 37% to 53%. Lurie disapprovers are more likely to support Chan in the race for Congress, while Lurie approvers are more likely to support Wiener. Chan is supported by 88% of those who strongly disapprove of Lurie and Wiener carries the support of 75% of those who strongly approve of Lurie.

7. Outgoing California Governor and former San Francisco Mayor Gavin Newsom is popular in CA-11. However, his popularity in the 11th congressional district is slightly less robust than Mayor Daniel Lurie and outgoing Rep. Nancy Pelosi. His net approval rating is +21 among the district's voters. Fifty-five percent of CA-11 voters approve of Newsom's job as Governor (18% strongly approve; 37% somewhat approve) while 34% disapprove. Voters who disapprove of Newsom are more likely to support Connie Chan. Of those who strongly disapprove of Newsom, 60% indicated support for Chan while just 24% indicated support for Wiener.

8. We also polled approval of Jackie Fielder, a San Francisco Supervisor who is a prominent member of DSA who has endorsed Connie Chan. The plurality of residents of CA-11 do not know Fielder (38%), while 28% approve of Fielder and 18% disapprove (net +10). These numbers suggest the Fielder endorsement of Chan may carry less impact in the congressional election, helping explain Wiener's narrow lead in the topline. Of San Franciscans who know who Fielder is, their approval of her is strongly correlated with which congressional candidate they support. Eighty-seven percent of those who strongly approve of Fielder and 61% of those who somewhat approve of Fielder support Chan, while 67% of those who strongly disapprove of Fielder and 82% of those who somewhat disapprove of Fielder support Wiener.

9. The battle for the soul of the Democratic party appears to have divided voters in San Francisco. Despite the city's progressive reputation, the Democratic party enjoys slightly higher ratings than the Democratic Socialists of America (DSA). However, negative ratings about the Democratic party are also slightly higher than negative ratings of the DSA. When asked if they have a positive or negative opinion of Democratic Socialists of America (DSA), only 36% of CA-11 have positive opinions of the DSA. Positive ratings of the Democratic party among CA-11 voters is 43% (6% strongly positive and 37% somewhat positive). Interestingly, 43% of CA-11 voters rate the Democratic party negatively and 36% of CA-11 voters rate the DSA negatively. These results show that the battle between the DSA and the Democratic party may continue in San Francisco in the future.

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10. Voters in CA-11 also have a Jekyll and Hyde set of opinions on capitalism and socialism. In tech-driven yet progressive San Francisco, a large plurality of voters rate capitalism positively and a large plurality of voters also approve of socialism. We asked CA-11 voters if they approved or disapproved of capitalism, and in a separate question we asked if they approved or disapproved of socialism. 45% of San Francisco/CA-11 voters have positive views of capitalism, while 46% have positive views of socialism. Of those who hold positive views of socialism, 34% also hold positive views of capitalism. On the flip side, 36% of those who hold a positive view of capitalism also hold positive views of socialism.

11. While both Scott Wiener and Connie Chan are seen as quite liberal by voters, they draw from very different coalitions within San Francisco. Chan attracts greater support from those with a positive opinion of the Democratic Socialists of America (DSA), with 66% of those who hold strongly positive and 53% of those who hold somewhat positive views of the DSA supporting Chan. Wiener draws primarily from those with a positive opinion of the Democratic Party, with 71% of those strongly positive and 60% of those with somewhat positive views of the Democratic Party backing Wiener. Overall, Chan supporters are more likely to be lower income, hold favorable opinions of socialism, and identify as working class. Wiener supporters are more likely to have higher income, hold favorable opinions of capitalism, and identify as upper class. Both candidates perform similarly amongst respondents who identify themselves as middle class.

12. Despite living in one of the nation's premier tech hubs, a near majority of San Franciscans surveyed said they would support a data center moratorium in California. 49% of CA-11 voters support a moratorium while 28% oppose a moratorium. 23% of respondents are uncertain. When asked whether or not they hold favorable opinions of major technology companies in California, 31% of CA-11 voters indicated favorable opinions while 51% indicated unfavorable opinions. These findings suggest San Francisco's status as a major innovation hub has not insulated its voters from nationwide negative sentiment towards data centers and technology companies.

TOPLINE RESULTS
LIKELY VOTERS, CA-11 U.S. HOUSE
(Connie Chan/D v. Scott Wiener/D)

POLL CONDUCTED,
October 16-19, 2026

CROSSTABS OF DEMOGRAPHIC GROUPS ARE
PRESENTED AT THE END OF THIS REPORT AFTER
THE CONGRESSIONAL TOPLINES

Thinking ahead to the 2026 November general election, who do you plan to vote for to be US House Representative? [no push on undecideds]

47% Scott Wiener (Democratic - State Senator)
41% Connie Chan (Democratic - San Francisco Supervisor)
9% I do not know/undecided
3% I do not plan to vote in this election

Thinking ahead to the 2026 November general election, who do you plan to vote for to be US House Representative? [includes push on undecideds]

51% Scott Wiener (Democratic - State Senator)
44% Connie Chan (Democratic - San Francisco Supervisor)
5% I do not plan to vote in this election

When you think about your positions on public policy, which of the following best describes you?

33% Very liberal
29% Somewhat liberal
25% Moderate
10% Somewhat conservative
2% Very conservative
2% I do not know

When you think about his positions on public policy, which of the following best describes Scott Wiener?

28% Very liberal
39% Somewhat liberal
20% Moderate
8% Somewhat conservative
2% Very conservative
2% I do not know

When you think about her positions on public policy, which of the following best describes Connie Chan?

36% Very liberal
24% Somewhat liberal
18% Moderate
7% Somewhat conservative
1% Very conservative
13% I do not know

What word or words come to mind when you think of Scott Wiener? Please write the word or words below. [open ended]¹

10% Corporate/donor-backed
10% Effective/accomplished
9% Legislator/policy focus
7% Housing/YIMBY
6% Hard working
6% Progressive/liberal
6% Smart/knowledgeable
5% LGBTQ advocate/identity
4% Unlikable/other insults
4% Dishonest/corrupt
4% Experienced/qualified
3% Israel/AIPAC
3% Moderate/centrist
2% Ambitious/self-serving
2% Caring/public servant
2% Comments on physical appearance

¹ In this and other open-ended questions, responses were generated directly from voters' open-ended responses and were analyzed using category coding. BERTopic was used to embed and cluster respondent answers into themes that occurred most often; these themes formed the baseline of a category codebook. Then each category was defined with a set of words and phrases. For candidate questions, positive, negative, or neutral descriptions from respondents were coded as separate categories. The results report the percentage of respondents mentioning each category, scaled on a 100 %-point scale (though due to rounding and not including those responses with <2%, the results may not sum to 100).

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2% Extreme/too far left
2% Leader/strong/outspoken
2% Positive
2% Pragmatic/reasonable
<2% All others

What word or words come to mind when you think of Connie Chan? Please write the word or words below. [open ended]

11% Progressive/liberal
10% NIMBY/anti-housing
9% Ineffective
8% Caring/public servant
8% Pelosi-backed
7% Local supervisor/politician
6% Pro-labor/working families
5% Inexperienced/unprepared
5% Obstructionist/do-nothing
5% Asian American/identity
4% Extreme/too far left
4% Integrity/honesty
4% Out of touch/narrow
2% Boring/low profile
2% Down to earth/responsive
2% Moderate/centrist
2% Not Wiener
<2% All others

When considering your vote for Congress in 2026, what is the most important problem influencing your vote? Please answer in one or a few words.

14% Trump/MAGA
9% Democracy/rights
9% Economy
9% Parties/politicians
6% Cost of living
6% Housing

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5% Candidate: Effectiveness/results
4% Candidate: Representing San Francisco/constituents
4% Corruption/money in politics
4% Foreign policy
3% Candidate: Ideology/values
3% Candidate: Integrity/honesty
3% Candidate: Policy positions
2% Candidate: Experience/readiness
2% Climate/environment
2% Health care
2% Homelessness
2% Tech/AI
<1% All others

Do you approve or disapprove of Nancy Pelosi?

26% Strongly approve
29% Somewhat approve
11% Neither approve nor disapprove
18% Somewhat disapprove
14% Strongly disapprove
2% I do not know

Do you approve or disapprove of Jackie Fielder?

10% Strongly approve
18% Somewhat approve
15% Neither approve nor disapprove
9% Somewhat disapprove
9% Strongly disapprove
38% I do not know

Do you approve or disapprove of the job Daniel Lurie is doing as Mayor of the City of San Francisco?

29% Strongly approve
34% Somewhat approve
9% Neither approve nor disapprove
12% Somewhat disapprove
14% Strongly disapprove
2% I do not know

Do you approve or disapprove of the job Gavin Newsom is doing as Governor of California?

18% Strongly approve
37% Somewhat approve
10% Neither approve nor disapprove
18% Somewhat disapprove
16% Strongly disapprove
1% I do not know

Would you support or oppose a data center moratorium in the state of California?

35% Strongly support
14% Somewhat support
18% Neither support nor oppose
14% Somewhat oppose
14% Strongly oppose
5% I do not know

How would you describe your overall opinion of major technology companies in California?

6% Very favorable
25% Somewhat favorable
15% Neither favorable nor unfavorable
26% Somewhat unfavorable

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25% Very unfavorable

2% I do not know

Do you have a positive or negative opinion of capitalism?

17% Strongly positive

28% Somewhat positive

14% Neither positive nor negative

21% Somewhat negative

18% Strongly negative

1% I do not know

Do you have a positive or negative opinion of socialism?

17% Strongly positive

29% Somewhat positive

22% Neither positive nor negative

10% Somewhat negative

19% Strongly negative

2% I do not know

Do you have a positive or negative opinion of the Democratic Party?

6% Strongly positive

37% Somewhat positive

13% Neither positive nor negative

27% Somewhat negative

16% Strongly negative

1% I do not know

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Do you have a positive or negative opinion of the Democratic Socialists of America (DSA)?

14% Strongly positive
22% Somewhat positive
18% Neither positive nor negative
13% Somewhat negative
23% Strongly negative
10% I do not know

Thinking about the current situation in the Middle East, do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the Israeli Government?

4% Very favorable
5% Somewhat favorable
15% Somewhat unfavorable
72% Very unfavorable
4% I do not know

Thinking about the current situation in the Middle East, do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the Palestinian Authority?

2% Very favorable
29% Somewhat favorable
15% Somewhat unfavorable
27% Very unfavorable
27% I do not know

Thinking about the current situation in the Middle East, do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Hamas?

1% Very favorable
2% Somewhat favorable
13% Somewhat unfavorable
74% Very unfavorable
10% I do not know

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Thinking about the current situation in the Middle East, do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the Israeli People?

18% Very favorable
37% Somewhat favorable
24% Somewhat unfavorable
8% Very unfavorable
13% I do not know

Thinking about the current situation in the Middle East, do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the Palestinian People?

35% Very favorable
37% Somewhat favorable
11% Somewhat unfavorable
6% Very unfavorable
10% I do not know

Looking ahead, if the 2028 Democratic Presidential Primary were held today, list your top choice for the 2028 Democratic nominee for President. [open ended, asked of Democrats only]²

21% Pete Buttigieg
20% Jon Ossoff
18% Gavin Newsom
10% Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez
5% Kamala Harris
4% Andy Beshear
4% JB Pritzker
4% Josh Shapiro
4% Mark Kelly
2% Bernie Sanders
2% Gretchen Whitmer
2% James Talarico
2% Zohran Mamdani
<1% All others

² Given the small percentage of Republican respondents in CA-11, we do not include the parallel 2028 presidential primary questions for the Republican presidential nomination.

Looking ahead, if the 2028 Democratic Presidential Primary were held today and these were the only candidates, which candidate would you support as the 2028 Democratic nominee for President? [closed ended, asked of Democrats only]

58% Gavin Newsom

29% Kamala Harris

13% I would not vote in this election

Have national economic conditions gotten better, worse, or stayed about the same?

4% Better

8% About the same

85% Worse

2% I do not know

Have California economic conditions gotten better, worse, or stayed about the same?

7% Better

25% About the same

65% Worse

4% I do not know

Have local economic conditions gotten better, worse, or stayed about the same?

21% Better

23% About the same

53% Worse

3% I do not know

CROSSTABS OF DEMOGRAPHIC GROUPS AND OTHER SUBGROUPS IN CA-11 U.S. HOUSE

LIKELY VOTERS

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Cross-tabs on vote for Chan or Wiener in U.S. House

Thinking ahead to the 2026 November general election, who do you plan to vote for to be US House Representative? [Includes a push on undecideds]

Party	Democratic	Republican	No Party Preference
Chan	42%	44%	48%
Wiener	55%	30%	47%
Not voting*	3%	25%	5%

*Not voting = Not voting in this House contest, but a likely voter

Respondent Ideology	Very Liberal	Somewhat Liberal	Moderate	Somewhat Conservative	Very Conservative**
Chan	60%	32%	40%	31%	38%
Wiener	39%	66%	54%	54%	26%
Not Voting*	≤1%	2%	6%	14%	36%

**Two asterisks here and below indicate small samples so caution should be used in interpreting.

Gender	Male	Female
Chan	35%	52%
Wiener	60%	43%
Not Voting	5%	5%

Age	Below 50	Above 50
Chan	41%	47%
Wiener	53%	49%
Not Voting	6%	4%

Race	Asian/PI	Black	Latino	White (NH)	Other**
Chan	31%	36%	58%	47%	44%
Wiener	59%	64%	37%	51%	43%
Not Voting	10%	≤1%	5%	3%	14%

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Sexual Orientation & Gender	Straight Men	LGBTQ Men	Straight Women	LGBTQ Women
Chan	36%	30%	48%	64%
Wiener	57%	68%	50%	26%
Not Voting	7%	2%	2%	10%

Income	<\$50,000	\$50,000-\$100,000	\$100,000-\$200,000	>\$200,000
Chan	55%	53%	43%	33%
Wiener	37%	45%	52%	64%
Not Voting	9%	2%	5%	3%

Education	Less than Bachelor's	Holds Bachelor's	Master's or Higher
Chan	56%	46%	39%
Wiener	32%	49%	59%
Not Voting	12%	5%	2%

Residence	Rent	Own
Chan	48%	39%
Wiener	46%	57%
Not Voting	6%	4%

Immigrant Generation	1st Generation	2nd Generation	3rd Generation	Not an Immigrant
Chan	43%	44%	49%	42%
Wiener	51%	48%	47%	55%
Not Voting	5%	8%	4%	3%

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Class Self ID	Working Class	Middle Class	Upper Class
Chan	56%	48%	23%
Wiener	37%	48%	74%
Not Voting	7%	4%	3%

Pelosi Approval	Strongly Approve	Somewhat Approve	Neither	Somewhat Disapprove	Strongly Disapprove	I do not know**
Chan	46%	39%	30%	52%	49%	47%
Wiener	54%	60%	62%	47%	31%	20%
Not Voting	<u>≤1%</u>	<u>≤1%</u>	8%	<u>≤1%</u>	21%	33%

Fielder Approval	Strongly Approve	Somewhat Approve	Neither	Somewhat Disapprove	Strongly Disapprove	I do not know
Chan	87%	61%	49%	7%	26%	36%
Wiener	13%	39%	44%	82%	67%	58%
Not Voting	<u>≤1%</u>	<u>≤1%</u>	6%	11%	7%	6%

Newsom Approval	Strongly Approve	Somewhat Approve	Neither	Somewhat Disapprove	Strongly Disapprove	I do not know**
Chan	35%	41%	30%	56%	60%	<u>≤1%</u>
Wiener	63%	59%	64%	40%	24%	<u>≤1%</u>
Not Voting	2%	<u>≤1%</u>	6%	4%	17%	100%

Lurie Approval	Strongly Approve	Somewhat Approve	Neither	Somewhat Disapprove	Strongly Disapprove	I do not know**
Chan	21%	41%	50%	52%	88%	38%
Wiener	75%	56%	41%	42%	9%	35%
Not Voting	4%	3%	10%	6%	3%	27%

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Dem Party Favorability	Strongly Positive	Somewhat Positive	Neither	Somewhat Negative	Strongly Negative	I do not know**
Chan	24%	38%	36%	55%	57%	<u>≤1%</u>
Wiener	71%	60%	64%	43%	26%	32%
Not Voting	5%	2%	<u>≤1%</u>	2%	18%	68%

DSA Favorability	Strongly Positive	Somewhat Positive	Neither	Somewhat Negative	Strongly Negative	I do not know
Chan	66%	53%	46%	27%	29%	45%
Wiener	34%	44%	51%	73%	57%	50%
Not Voting	<u>≤1%</u>	3%	3%	<u>≤1%</u>	14%	5%

Socialism Favorability	Strongly Positive	Somewhat Positive	Neither	Somewhat Negative	Strongly Negative	I do not know**
Chan	64%	49%	36%	32%	31%	22%
Wiener	32%	50%	63%	68%	49%	63%
Not Voting	3%	<u>≤1%</u>	<u>≤1%</u>	<u>≤1%</u>	19%	15%

Capitalism Favorability	Strongly Positive	Somewhat Positive	Neither	Somewhat Negative	Strongly Negative	I do not know**
Chan	32%	33%	44%	49%	68%	25%
Wiener	58%	63%	56%	47%	31%	29%
Not Voting	11%	5%	<u>≤1%</u>	4%	2%	46%

Cross-tabs on favorability of Democratic Party

Do you have a positive or negative opinion of the Democratic Party?

Party	Democratic	Republican	No Party Preference
Strongly Positive	10%	3%	≤1%
Somewhat Positive	50%	10%	18%
Neither	13%	10%	14%
Somewhat Negative	17%	24%	44%
Strongly Negative	9%	53%	20%
I do not know	≤1%	<1%	2%

Respondent Ideology	Very Liberal	Somewhat Liberal	Moderate	Somewhat Conservative	Very Conservative**
Strongly Positive	7%	11%	3%	≤1%	≤1%
Somewhat Positive	35%	50%	37%	15%	≤1%
Neither	11%	13%	14%	26%	≤1%
Somewhat Negative	29%	22%	26%	31%	37%
Strongly Negative	17%	4%	19%	27%	63%
I do not know	≤1%	≤1%	≤1%	2%	≤1%

Gender	Male	Female
Strongly Positive	5%	8%
Somewhat Positive	36%	39%
Neither	16%	11%
Somewhat Negative	24%	29%
Strongly Negative	18%	13%
I do not know	≤1%	≤1%

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Age	Below 50	Above 50
Strongly Positive	4%	9%
Somewhat Positive	30%	45%
Neither	17%	10%
Somewhat Negative	30%	23%
Strongly Negative	18%	13%
I do not know	≤1%	≤1%

Race	Asian/PI	Black	Latino	White (NH)	Other**
Strongly Positive	5%	≤1%	13%	6%	14%
Somewhat Positive	28%	45%	44%	40%	15%
Neither	21%	12%	9%	11%	22%
Somewhat Negative	22%	26%	16%	29%	30%
Strongly Negative	23%	17%	17%	13%	8%
I do not know	≤1%	≤1%	≤1%	≤1%	11%

Income	<\$50,000	\$50,000-\$100,000	\$100,000-\$200,000	>\$200,000
Strongly Positive	4%	3%	9%	7%
Somewhat Positive	37%	32%	39%	40%
Neither	12%	3%	16%	18%
Somewhat Negative	22%	35%	25%	24%
Strongly Negative	26%	25%	11%	12%
I do not know	≤1%	3%	≤1%	≤1%

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Education	Less than Bachelor's	Holds Bachelor's	Master's or Higher
Strongly Positive	4%	8%	6%
Somewhat Positive	33%	34%	42%
Neither	8%	14%	15%
Somewhat Negative	29%	28%	24%
Strongly Negative	23%	15%	14%
I do not know	2%	<u>≤1%</u>	<u>≤1%</u>

Cross-tabs on favorability of DSA

Do you have a positive or negative opinion of the Democratic Socialists of America (DSA)?

Party	Democratic	Republican	No Party Preference
Strongly Positive	16%	3%	16%
Somewhat Positive	24%	14%	21%
Neither	23%	10%	10%
Somewhat Negative	14%	8%	11%
Strongly Negative	13%	62%	32%
I do not know	10%	3%	12%

Respondent Ideology	Very Liberal	Somewhat Liberal	Moderate	Somewhat Conservative	Very Conservative**
Strongly Positive	35%	6%	3%	3%	≤1%
Somewhat Positive	35%	29%	6%	1%	≤1%
Neither	16%	25%	17%	9%	≤1%
Somewhat Negative	7%	16%	19%	10%	6%
Strongly Negative	2%	14%	43%	62%	94%
I do not know	5%	12%	12%	16%	≤1%

Gender	Male	Female
Strongly Positive	14%	14%
Somewhat Positive	19%	26%
Neither	17%	18%
Somewhat Negative	13%	13%
Strongly Negative	29%	16%
I do not know	8%	13%

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Age	Below 50	Above 50
Strongly Positive	17%	12%
Somewhat Positive	22%	23%
Neither	18%	17%
Somewhat Negative	14%	11%
Strongly Negative	18%	27%
I do not know	11%	10%

Race	Asian/PI	Black	Latino	White (NH)	Other**
Strongly Positive	16%	9%	9%	15%	4%
Somewhat Positive	15%	19%	19%	26%	16%
Neither	19%	9%	39%	16%	6%
Somewhat Negative	10%	33%	8%	12%	16%
Strongly Negative	21%	29%	18%	23%	32%
I do not know	19%	<u>≤1%</u>	7%	8%	26%

Income	<\$50,000	\$50,000-\$100,000	\$100,000-\$200,000	>\$200,000
Strongly Positive	29%	9%	20%	11%
Somewhat Positive	15%	36%	19%	21%
Neither	20%	14%	19%	18%
Somewhat Negative	13%	8%	15%	17%
Strongly Negative	21%	13%	17%	27%
I do not know	3%	19%	9%	7%

Education	Less than Bachelor's	Holds Bachelor's	Master's or Higher
Strongly Positive	9%	13%	16%
Somewhat Positive	22%	24%	21%

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Neither	19%	18%	17%
Somewhat Negative	9%	11%	15%
Strongly Negative	23%	20%	25%
I do not know	16%	13%	6%

Cross-tabs on approval of Daniel Lurie

Do you approve or disapprove of the job Daniel Lurie is doing as Mayor of the City of San Francisco?

Party	Democratic	Republican	No Party Preference
Strongly Approve	27%	16%	34%
Somewhat Approve	36%	57%	26%
Neither	10%	15%	5%
Somewhat Disapprove	14%	3%	10%
Strongly Disapprove	10%	9%	23%
I don't know	2%	<u>≤1%</u>	2%

Respondent Ideology	Very Liberal	Somewhat Liberal	Moderate	Somewhat Conservative	Very Conservative**
Strongly Approve	11%	29%	51%	34%	17%
Somewhat Approve	26%	42%	32%	45%	47%
Neither	8%	11%	7%	5%	36%
Somewhat Disapprove	22%	11%	4%	8%	<u>≤1%</u>
Strongly Disapprove	31%	4%	6%	7%	<u>≤1%</u>
I don't know	2%	3%	<u>≤1%</u>	<u>≤1%</u>	<u>≤1%</u>

Gender	Male	Female
Strongly Approve	30%	27%
Somewhat Approve	40%	28%
Neither	9%	8%
Somewhat Disapprove	11%	14%
Strongly Disapprove	8%	20%
I don't know	2%	2%

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Age	Below 50	Above 50
Strongly Approve	25%	32%
Somewhat Approve	31%	37%
Neither	9%	8%
Somewhat Disapprove	13%	12%
Strongly Disapprove	18%	10%
I don't know	3%	<u>≤1%</u>

Race	Asian/PI	Black	Latino	White (NH)	Other**
Strongly Approve	27%	21%	28%	29%	33%
Somewhat Approve	37%	22%	34%	34%	31%
Neither	17%	13%	5%	6%	10%
Somewhat Disapprove	6%	15%	12%	15%	<u>≤1%</u>
Strongly Disapprove	12%	23%	18%	14%	17%
I don't know	2%	6%	3%	2%	7%

Income	<\$50,000	\$50,000-\$100,000	\$100,000-\$200,000	>\$200,000
Strongly Approve	11%	19%	27%	41%
Somewhat Approve	29%	33%	35%	35%
Neither	9%	10%	11%	4%
Somewhat Disapprove	21%	13%	10%	11%
Strongly Disapprove	31%	19%	16%	8%
I don't know	<u>≤1%</u>	5%	<u>≤1%</u>	<u>≤1%</u>

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Education	Less than Bachelor's	Holds Bachelor's	Master's or Higher
Strongly Approve	23%	28%	31%
Somewhat Approve	31%	35%	34%
Neither	11%	10%	7%
Somewhat Disapprove	11%	12%	13%
Strongly Disapprove	20%	15%	12%
I don't know	3%	<u>≤1%</u>	2%

Cross-tabs on approval of Gavin Newsom

Do you approve or disapprove of the job Gavin Newsom is doing as Governor of California?

Party	Democratic	Republican	No Party Preference
Strongly Approve	24%	23%	8%
Somewhat Approve	50%	4%	20%
Neither	8%	16%	14%
Somewhat Disapprove	13%	7%	29%
Strongly Disapprove	6%	50%	28%
I don't know	<u>≤1%</u>	<u>≤1%</u>	<u>≤1%</u>

Respondent Ideology	Very Liberal	Somewhat Liberal	Moderate	Somewhat Conservative	Very Conservative**
Strongly Approve	15%	30%	17%	<u>≤1%</u>	<u>≤1%</u>
Somewhat Approve	39%	46%	33%	17%	15%
Neither	5%	14%	12%	19%	<u>≤1%</u>
Somewhat Disapprove	26%	7%	18%	27%	<u>≤1%</u>
Strongly Disapprove	13%	3%	20%	36%	85%
I don't know	<u>≤1%</u>	<u>≤1%</u>	<u>≤1%</u>	<u>≤1%</u>	<u>≤1%</u>

Gender	Male	Female
Strongly Approve	16%	21%
Somewhat Approve	36%	38%
Neither	12%	9%
Somewhat Disapprove	16%	19%
Strongly Disapprove	19%	13%
I don't know	<u>≤1%</u>	<u>≤1%</u>

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Age	Below 50	Above 50
Strongly Approve	17%	20%
Somewhat Approve	31%	43%
Neither	13%	8%
Somewhat Disapprove	20%	15%
Strongly Disapprove	18%	14%
I don't know	<u>≤1%</u>	<u>≤1%</u>

Race	Asian/PI	Black	Latino	White (NH)	Other**
Strongly Approve	17%	18%	40%	16%	13%
Somewhat Approve	34%	12%	24%	43%	23%
Neither	16%	17%	2%	9%	15%
Somewhat Disapprove	14%	30%	18%	18%	21%
Strongly Disapprove	18%	23%	16%	14%	21%
I don't know	<u>≤1%</u>	<u>≤1%</u>	<u>≤1%</u>	<u>≤1%</u>	7%

Income	<\$50,000	\$50,000-\$100,000	\$100,000-\$200,000	>\$200,000
Strongly Approve	14%	23%	17%	21%
Somewhat Approve	28%	25%	45%	36%
Neither	10%	14%	7%	12%
Somewhat Disapprove	24%	15%	19%	17%
Strongly Disapprove	25%	20%	11%	14%
I don't know	<u>≤1%</u>	3%	<u>≤1%</u>	<u>≤1%</u>

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Education	Less than Bachelor's	Holds Bachelor's	Master's or Higher
Strongly Approve	23%	18%	17%
Somewhat Approve	32%	36%	40%
Neither	11%	8%	12%
Somewhat Disapprove	13%	21%	16%
Strongly Disapprove	21%	17%	13%
I don't know	<u>≤1%</u>	<u>≤1%</u>	<u>≤1%</u>

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Cross-tabs on approval of Nancy Pelosi

Do you approve or disapprove of Nancy Pelosi?

Party	Democratic	Republican	No Party Preference
Strongly Approve	37%	9%	9%
Somewhat Approve	34%	4%	23%
Neither	10%	7%	13%
Somewhat Disapprove	13%	23%	27%
Strongly Disapprove	4%	56%	24%
I don't know	2%	≤1%	2%

Respondent Ideology	Very Liberal	Somewhat Liberal	Moderate	Somewhat Conservative	Very Conservative
Strongly Approve	24%	39%	25%	2%	≤1%
Somewhat Approve	29%	32%	33%	11%	6%
Neither	8%	12%	11%	18%	9%
Somewhat Disapprove	24%	12%	14%	28%	≤1%
Strongly Disapprove	13%	3%	16%	39%	85%
I don't know	≤1%	2%	≤1%	3%	≤1%

Gender	Male	Female
Strongly Approve	23%	30%
Somewhat Approve	30%	28%
Neither	10%	12%
Somewhat Disapprove	17%	19%
Strongly Disapprove	18%	10%
I don't know	2%	2%

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Age	Below 50	Above 50
Strongly Approve	17%	36%
Somewhat Approve	24%	34%
Neither	12%	10%
Somewhat Disapprove	27%	9%
Strongly Disapprove	17%	11%
I don't know	3%	<u>≤1%</u>

Race	Asian/PI	Black	Latino	White (NH)	Other**
Strongly Approve	12%	6%	29%	32%	26%
Somewhat Approve	39%	20%	24%	27%	22%
Neither	16%	13%	6%	10%	13%
Somewhat Disapprove	16%	51%	17%	17%	8%
Strongly Disapprove	15%	10%	23%	12%	23%
I don't know	2%	<u>≤1%</u>	<u>≤1%</u>	2%	7%

Income	<\$50,000	\$50,000-\$100,000	\$100,000-\$200,000	>\$200,000
Strongly Approve	17%	24%	30%	29%
Somewhat Approve	30%	19%	34%	30%
Neither	11%	15%	11%	10%
Somewhat Disapprove	16%	27%	14%	18%
Strongly Disapprove	24%	12%	11%	12%
I don't know	2%	4%	<u>≤1%</u>	<u>≤1%</u>

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Strongly Approve	28%	19%	32%
Somewhat Approve	14%	30%	31%
Neither	11%	14%	9%
Somewhat Disapprove	16%	21%	16%
Strongly Disapprove	30%	15%	9%
I don't know	<u><1%</u>	<u><1%</u>	2%

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Cross-tabs on approval of Jackie Fielder

Do you approve or disapprove of Jackie Fielder?

Party	Democratic	Republican	No Party Preference
Strongly Approve	10%	≤1%	13%
Somewhat Approve	19%	21%	16%
Neither	16%	3%	14%
Somewhat Disapprove	8%	13%	11%
Strongly Disapprove	8%	23%	10%
I don't know	40%	41%	36%

Respondent Ideology	Very Liberal	Somewhat Liberal	Moderate	Somewhat Conservative	Very Conservative	I do not know**
Strongly Approve	24%	4%	3%	3%	≤1%	16%
Somewhat Approve	26%	19%	11%	5%	≤1%	30%
Neither	9%	20%	18%	15%	≤1%	≤1%
Somewhat Disapprove	6%	6%	12%	19%	11%	≤1%
Strongly Disapprove	2%	10%	16%	15%	31%	≤1%
I don't know	32%	40%	40%	43%	58%	54%

Gender	Male	Female
Strongly Approve	8%	13%
Somewhat Approve	15%	21%
Neither	14%	15%
Somewhat Disapprove	8%	10%
Strongly Disapprove	14%	5%
I don't know	41%	36%

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Age	Below 50	Above 50
Strongly Approve	8%	13%
Somewhat Approve	18%	18%
Neither	15%	14%
Somewhat Disapprove	9%	9%
Strongly Disapprove	10%	9%
I don't know	39%	38%

Race	Asian/PI	Black	Latino	White (NH)	Other**
Strongly Approve	9%	≤1%	14%	12%	<1%
Somewhat Approve	12%	14%	13%	21%	15%
Neither	17%	21%	19%	13%	15%
Somewhat Disapprove	10%	33%	5%	8%	10%
Strongly Disapprove	14%	20%	12%	7%	8%
I don't know	39%	11%	37%	39%	52%

Income	<\$50,000	\$50,000-\$100,000	\$100,000-\$200,000	>\$200,000
Strongly Approve	17%	10%	16%	4%
Somewhat Approve	24%	26%	22%	14%
Neither	8%	20%	16%	14%
Somewhat Disapprove	12%	1%	7%	15%
Strongly Disapprove	8%	2%	5%	14%
I don't know	31%	41%	36%	40%

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Strongly Approve	11%	11%	9%
Somewhat Approve	28%	18%	16%
Neither	13%	19%	12%
Somewhat Disapprove	5%	12%	8%
Strongly Disapprove	9%	8%	11%
I don't know	33%	32%	45%

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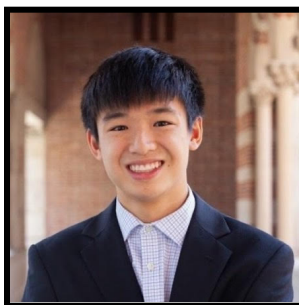
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