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Navigating The First 100 Days







Key Takeaways:

- Though only half report hearing "a lot" or "some" about Biden's "American Jobs Plan," seven in ten support it once described.
- The most supported parts of Biden's plan include repairing roads and bridges, fixing drinking water, and protecting America against future pandemics.
- Effective progressive messaging on Biden's infrastructure plan focuses on the urgent need for domestic job creation, rather than American competitiveness in the global economy.

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In Addition to the Pandemic and Vaccines, Infrastructure Now Breaking Through in Conversation Around Biden

Majorities of Democrats (90% positive or mix) and independents (67%) report hearing positive things or a mix of positive and negative things, as do 41% of Republicans.

In a few words, what positive things have you seen, read, or heard recently about Joe Biden?

Hearing Mostly/Some Positive: 67%

March 29th





"Used mass distribution of the vaccine & now working on infrastructure."

"That we are rolling out the vaccine at a better than expected rate."

"He has met his goals for coronavirus vaccines, he wants to improve infrastructure."

"He is working hard to help us recover from coronavirus."

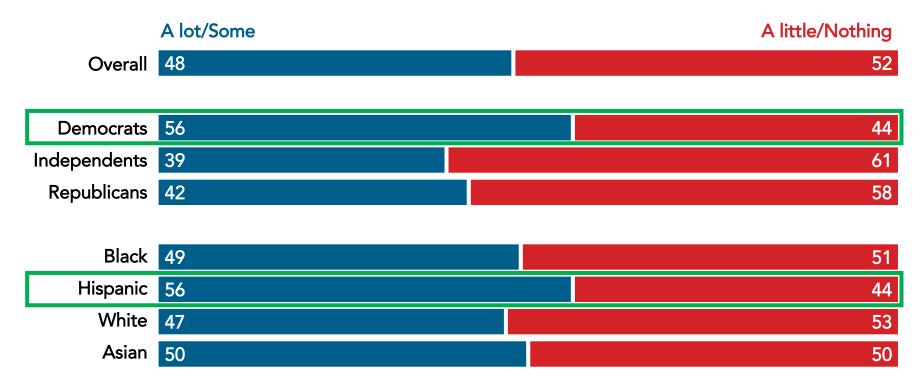
"He has proposed a very large and comprehensive plan to update the nation's infrastructure and create millions of good paying jobs."



Half of Americans Say They Are Hearing a "Lot" or "Some" on Biden's Infrastructure Proposal

Democrats (56% "a lot" or "some") and Hispanic Americans (56%) are hearing the most about the proposal.

How much have you seen, read, or heard about President Biden's infrastructure proposal, known as the "American Jobs Plan"?



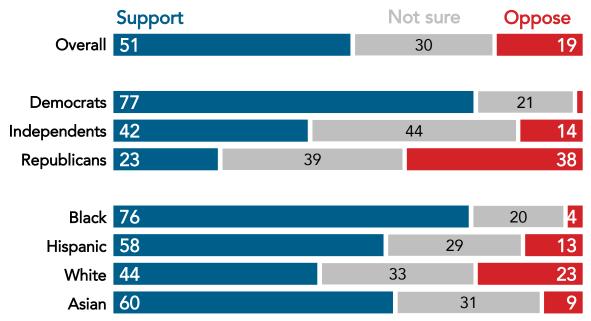


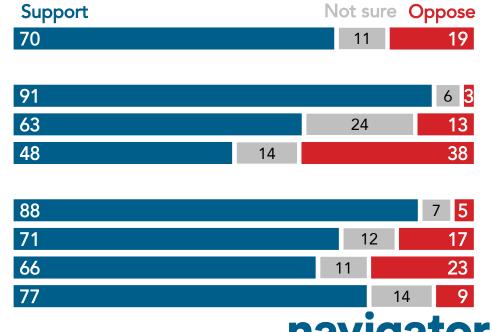
Majorities Support Biden's New "American Jobs Plan"

While 51% of Americans support the plan initially, support jumps to 70% when learning more about the proposal, including double-digit increases across all partisan and racial groups.

As you may know, President Biden has proposed the "American Jobs Plan." Do you support or oppose the "American Jobs Plan"?

Regardless of how much you have heard about the "American Jobs Plan," do you support or oppose President Biden passing a new infrastructure plan to fix highways, bridges, and roads, expand high speed broadband, upgrade and build new schools, modernize our electric grid, and invest in clean energy?





Nationwide survey of 1,256 registered voters conducted April 8-April 12, 2021. For more info, visit navigatorresarch.org.

Bipartisan Majorities Support Most Infrastructure Proposals

Among independents, a majority support each of a range of proposals, from rebuilding highways and roads to upgrading and building new schools and child care facilities.

For each policy proposed as a part of Biden's new infrastructure bill, indicate whether you support or oppose it.

	Strongly	Somewhat				Total Support		
	support	support	Not sure	Oppose	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Fixing and rebuilding highways, roads, and bridges	56		31	6 7	88	93	85	82
Eliminating all lead pipes in our drinking water systems	55		28	8 9	83	91	80	73
Investing to protect America against future pandemics	54		27	8 11	81	92	82	68
Building high-speed broadband infrastructure to reach 100 percent of American households	44		32	10 14	76	91	71	60
Investing in clean energy generation and storage, like solar panels and wind turbines	44		27 7	22	70	91	71	46
Upgrading and building new schools and child care facilities	43		33	8 16	76	93	71	58
Raising wages and benefits for essential home care workers	43		33	7 17	76	93	74	58
Addressing racial inequalities by investing in communities of color	40	23	10	27	63	88	58	36
Upgrading and modernizing airports, ports, and public transit systems	38		39	9 14	77	90	73	64
Investing in reliable passenger and freight rails service, like Amtrak	33	37	1	1 19	70	86	67	54
Building electric vehicle charging stations across the country	32	29	11	28	61	83	59	37



Majorities Support Closing Tax Loopholes, Raising Income Taxes on Wealthy and Increasing Corporate Tax Rate

While 53% of Republicans earning less than \$50,000 annually support raising incomes taxes on those making more than \$400,000 per year, only 38% of Republicans earning more than \$100,000 annually support it.

For each policy proposed as a part of Biden's new infrastructure bill, indicate whether you support or oppose it.

	Sup	pport	Not sur	re	Or	opose	Dem: <\$50K	Dem: \$50K- \$100K	Dem: \$100K+	Ind	Rep: <\$50K	Rep: \$50K- \$100K	Rep: \$100K+
Closing tax loopholes for multinational corporations	74	50% strongly	support		12	14	85	89	91	69	62	56	64
Raising income taxes on those earning more than \$400,000 per year	69	45% strongly	support		9	22	88	93	90	64	53	43	38
Increasing the corporate tax rate from 21% to 28%	56	38% strongly :	support	13		31	77	87	87	52	30	27	26



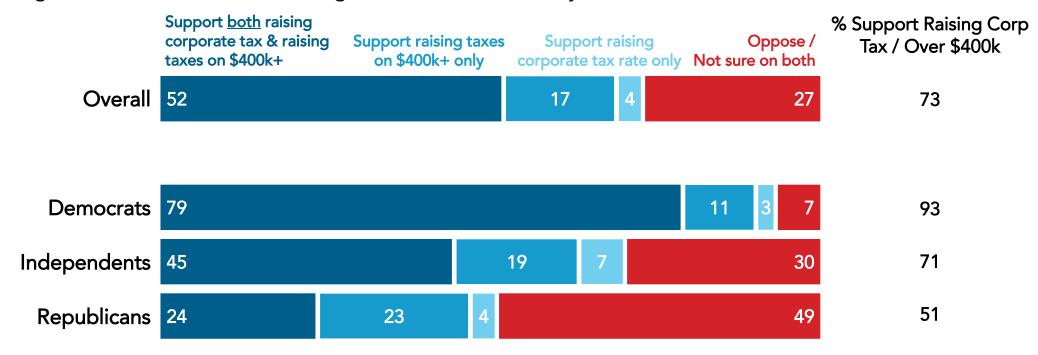
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Three in Four Americans Support Raising Corporate Tax Rate, Taxes on the Wealthy, or Both to Pay For Infrastructure

More than two in three independents support these proposals as part of new infrastructure legislation (71%).

For each policy proposed as a part of Biden's new infrastructure bill, indicate whether you support or oppose it:

- Increasing the corporate tax rate from 21% to 28%.
- Raising income taxes on those earning more than \$400,000 a year.





Conservative Arguments Against Infrastructure Spending Lose Regardless of Whether Rebuttals Focus on Urgency or Jobs

Progressive messaging effectively refutes conservative claims that the government should limit spending on infrastructure.

Which of the following comes closest to your opinion?

Statement 1: The government should limit spending on infrastructure and services to avoid adding to the deficit and the national debt.

Statement 2: The government should spend whatever is necessary on infrastructure and services because we need to create jobs and build an economy for working people.

Statement 3: The government should spend whatever is necessary on infrastructure and services because we have neglected these investments for too long, and the pandemic showed how badly they are needed.

Statement 1: 38%

Statement 2: 62%

Net Statement 2: +24

Statement 1: 40%

Statement 3: 60%

Net Statement 3: +20



A Progressive Argument Focused on Good-Paying Jobs Is Highly Effective

Winning arguments against criticisms that Biden's infrastructure proposal is a "massive liberal wish list" are focused on the creation of "millions of good-paying jobs."

Which do you agree with more?

Statement 1: Those who say Biden's infrastructure proposal is a \$2 trillion tax increase to fund a massive liberal wish list that will hurt small business owners and individuals while making America less competitive in the global economy.

Statement 2: Those who say we need Biden's infrastructure plan because it doesn't just invest in our crumbling infrastructure, but invests in our people by creating millions of good-paying jobs that will help our economy grow.

Statement 1: 34%

Statement 2: 48%

Net Statement 2: +14

Statement 3: Those who say we need Biden's infrastructure plan because we cannot afford to kick the can down the road, especially after years of Republicans saying they're concerned about exploding the deficit while running up trillions of dollars in debt during the Trump administration.

Statement 1: 38%

Statement 3: 40%

Net Statement 3: +2

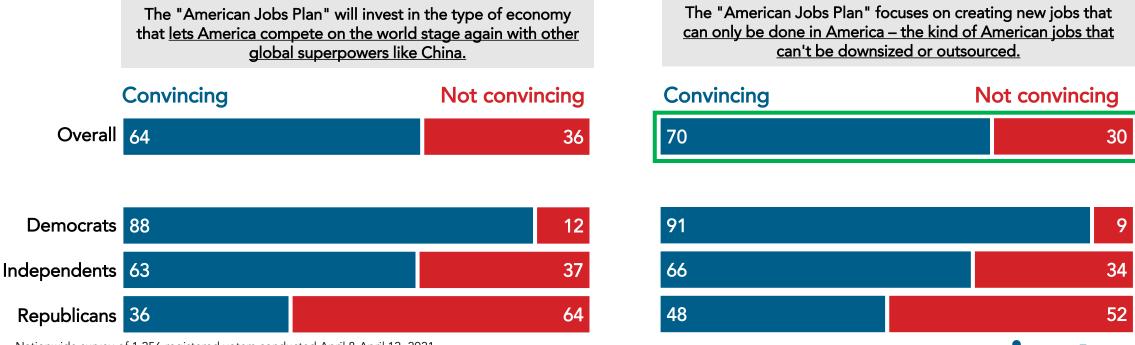


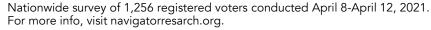
Messaging About Creating and Protecting Jobs Is Biggest Winner, Instead of Global Competition

While messages on both competing on the world stage and domestic job creation are "convincing" to a majority, Americans are more convinced by language that focuses on domestic jobs that can't be "outsourced."

• While 57% of white voters find messaging on global competition convincing, 67% find job creation convincing.

Nonpartisan studies have shown the "American Jobs Plan" could create as many as 15 million jobs. How convincing is the following statement as a reason to pass the "American Jobs Plan"?

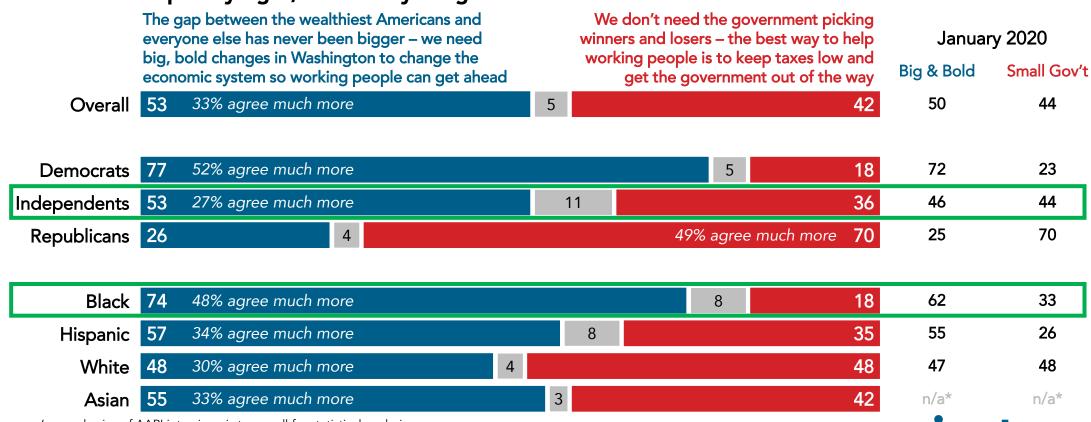






More Agree Income Gap Has Never Been Bigger and Support "Big, Bold Changes" Than Did Last Year

There has been a net increase of 5 points in the share who support "big, bold changes" since January 2020 (from +6 to +11), including notable upticks among Black Americans (from 62% to 74%) and independents (46% to 53%). Even if neither is completely right, which do you agree with more?



^{*}Previous survey's sample size of AAPI interviews is too small for statistical analysis.

Nationwide surveys of registered voters; Each wave represents approximately 1,000 interviews taken over the prior three-five days.

Latest wave conducted April 8-April 12, 2021. For more info, visit navigatorresearch.org



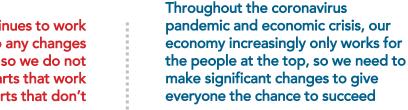
Majorities Agree Pandemic Exposed Flaws in Our Economy and Support Significant Change Over Incrementalism

Nearly three in five agree "we need to make significant changes" when inequality is framed either as a reality exposed by the pandemic or as a consequence of it, rather than gradual economic changes.

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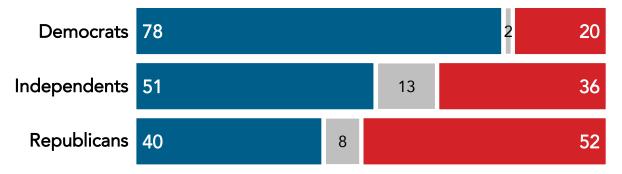
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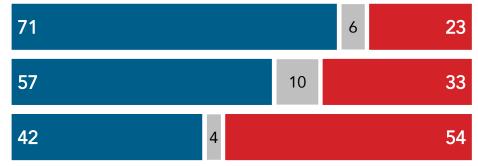




Our economy continues to work for most people, so any changes should be gradual so we do not jeopardize the parts that work when fixing the parts that don't











About Navigator

In a world where the news cycle is the length of a tweet, our leaders often lack the real-time public-sentiment analysis to shape the best approaches to talking about the issues that matter the most. Navigator is designed to act as a consistent, flexible, responsive tool to inform policy debates by conducting research and reliable guidance to inform allies, elected leaders, and the press. Navigator is a project led by pollsters from Global Strategy Group and GBAO along with an advisory committee, including: Andrea Purse, progressive strategist; Arkadi Gerney, The Hub Project; Joel Payne, The Hub Project; Christina Reynolds, EMILY's List; Delvone Michael, Working Families; Felicia Wong, Roosevelt Institute; Mike Podhorzer, AFL-CIO; Jesse Ferguson, progressive strategist; Navin Nayak, Center for American Progress Action Fund; Stephanie Valencia, EquisLabs; and Melanie Newman, Planned Parenthood Action Fund.

About the Study

Global Strategy Group conducted public opinion surveys among a sample of 1,256 registered voters from April 8-April 12, 2021. 97 additional interviews were conducted among Hispanic voters. 92 additional interviews were conducted among Asian American and Pacific Islander voters. 100 additional interviews were conducted among independent voters. The survey was conducted online, recruiting respondents from an opt-in online panel vendor. Respondents were verified against a voter file and special care was taken to ensure the demographic composition of our sample matched that of the national registered voter population across a variety of demographic variables.

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