



The Granite State Panel

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LIKELY NH DEM VOTERS HAPPY WITH DEBATE AND CONTINUED EARLY NH PRIMARY; PESSIMISTIC ABOUT DEFEATING TRUMP

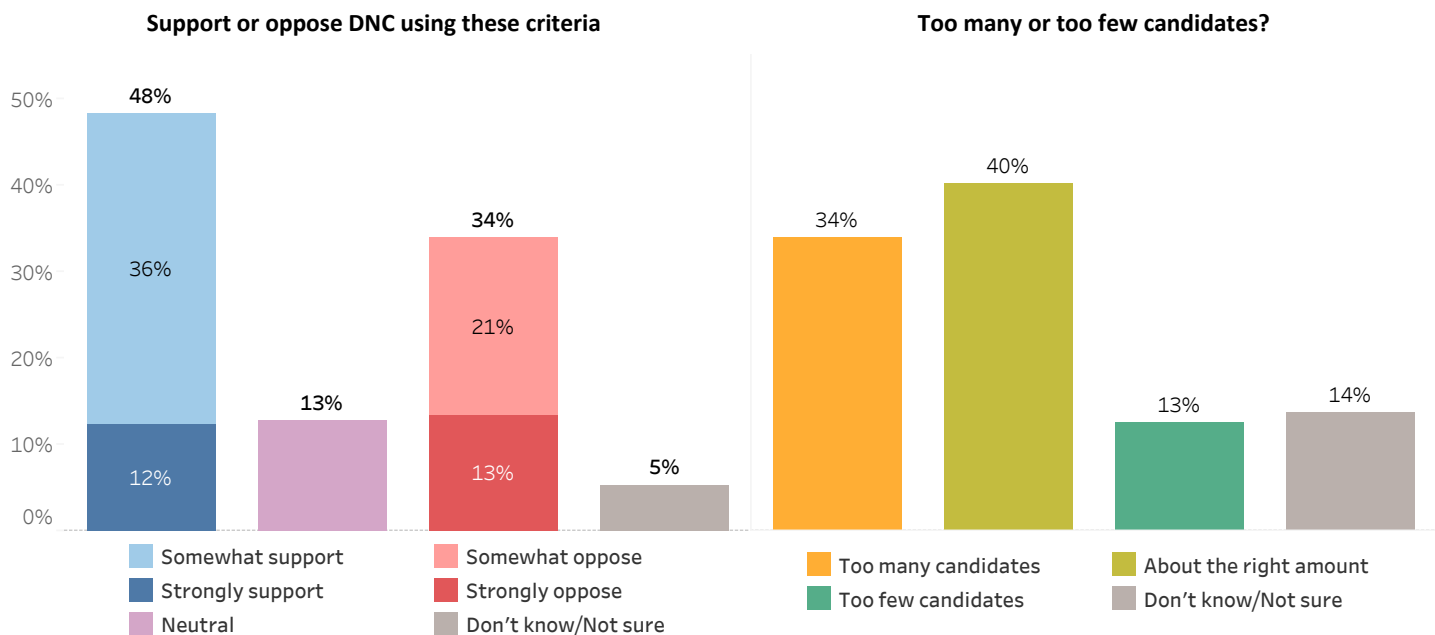
DURHAM, NH - Ahead of the sixth Democratic Primary debate, likely Democratic Primary voters in New Hampshire are modestly satisfied with the criteria used by the DNC to determine who can participate in debates and most think the seven candidates who have qualified is too many or just about the right amount.

These findings are based on the latest Granite State Panel survey, conducted by the University of New Hampshire Survey Center. Five hundred seventy (570) Granite State Panel members who are likely Democratic Primary voters completed the survey online between December 12 and December 18, 2019.

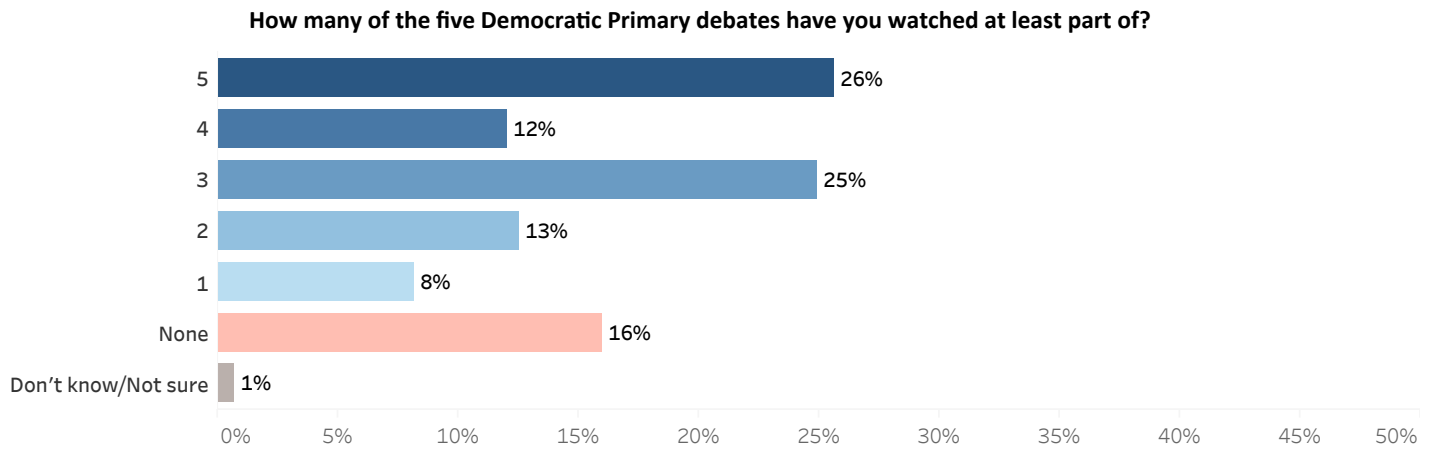
Democratic Primary Debates

Ahead of the sixth Democratic debate, there has been controversy about which candidates have been permitted to participate. The Democratic National Committee (DNC) criteria to determine which candidates can participate in primary debates is based on level of support in polls as well as number of donors a candidate has.

Seven candidates have qualified for the debate on December 19th, fewer than in earlier debates. One-third (34%) of likely Democratic voters in the Granite State, however, believe seven is still too many candidates, while four in ten (40%) believe seven is about the right amount of candidates.



Twenty-six percent of likely Democratic primary voters say they have watched at least part of all 5 of the Democratic Primary debates so far, 12% have watched at least part of 4 of them, 25% have watched 3 of them, 13% have watched 2, 8% have watched 1, 16% haven't watched any, and 1% don't know or are unsure.



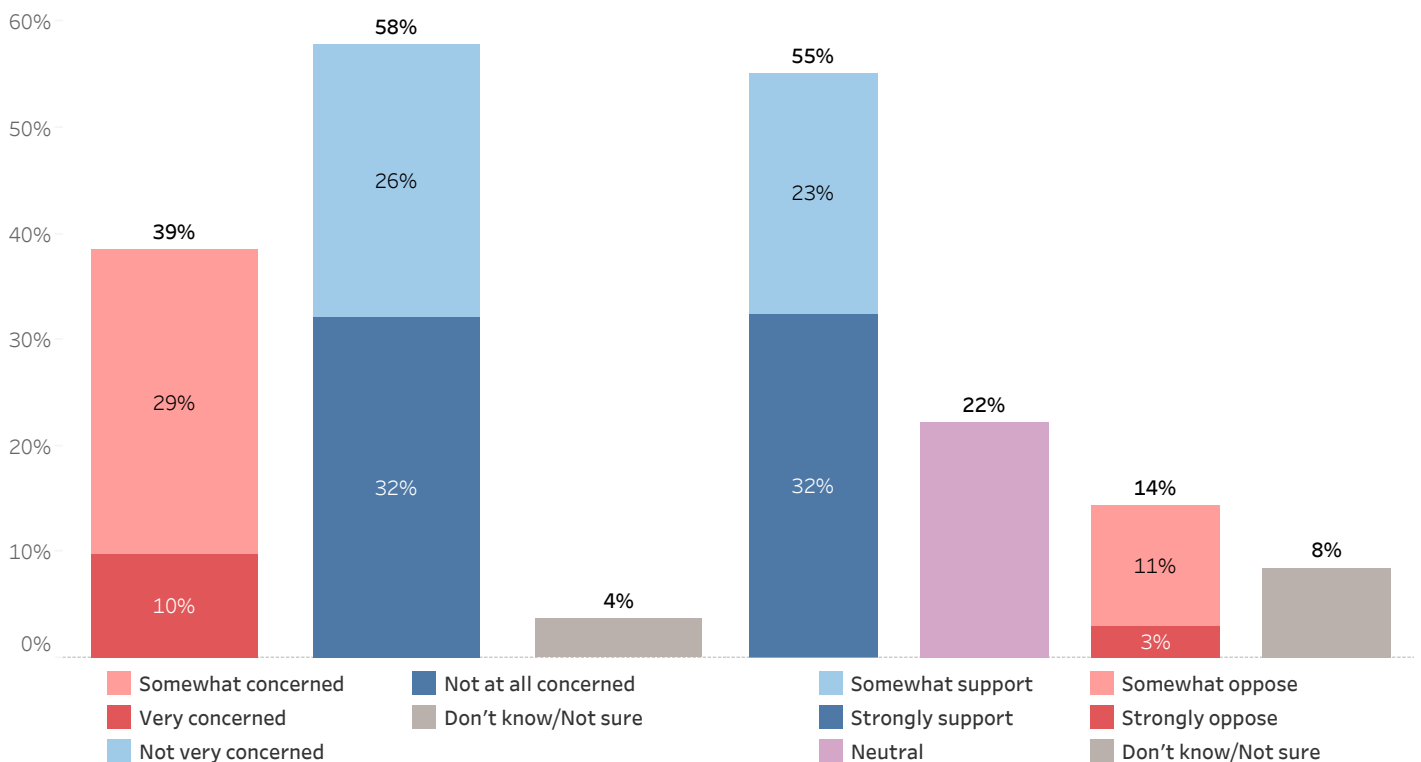
New Hampshire Primary

Recently, some candidates and commentators have questioned the role of Iowa and New Hampshire as the first two states to vote in the presidential primary process, citing the relative lack of racial/ethnic diversity in the two states compared to the country as a whole. Four in ten likely Democratic Primary voters (39%) say they are very (10%) or somewhat (29%) concerned about New Hampshire holding the first-in-the-nation primary despite a relative lack of racial/ethnic diversity. More than half (58%) say they are not very (26%) or not at all (32%) concerned about this while 4% don't know or are unsure.

New Hampshire state law requires the state's presidential primary to be held seven days or more prior to any similar election in another state. More than half of likely Democratic Primary voters (55%) say that they strongly (32%) or somewhat (23%) support this requirement in state law, 14% strongly (3%) or somewhat (11%) oppose it, 22% are neutral, and 8% don't know or are unsure.

Concern about NH holding first-in-the-nation primary despite relative lack of racial/ethnic diversity

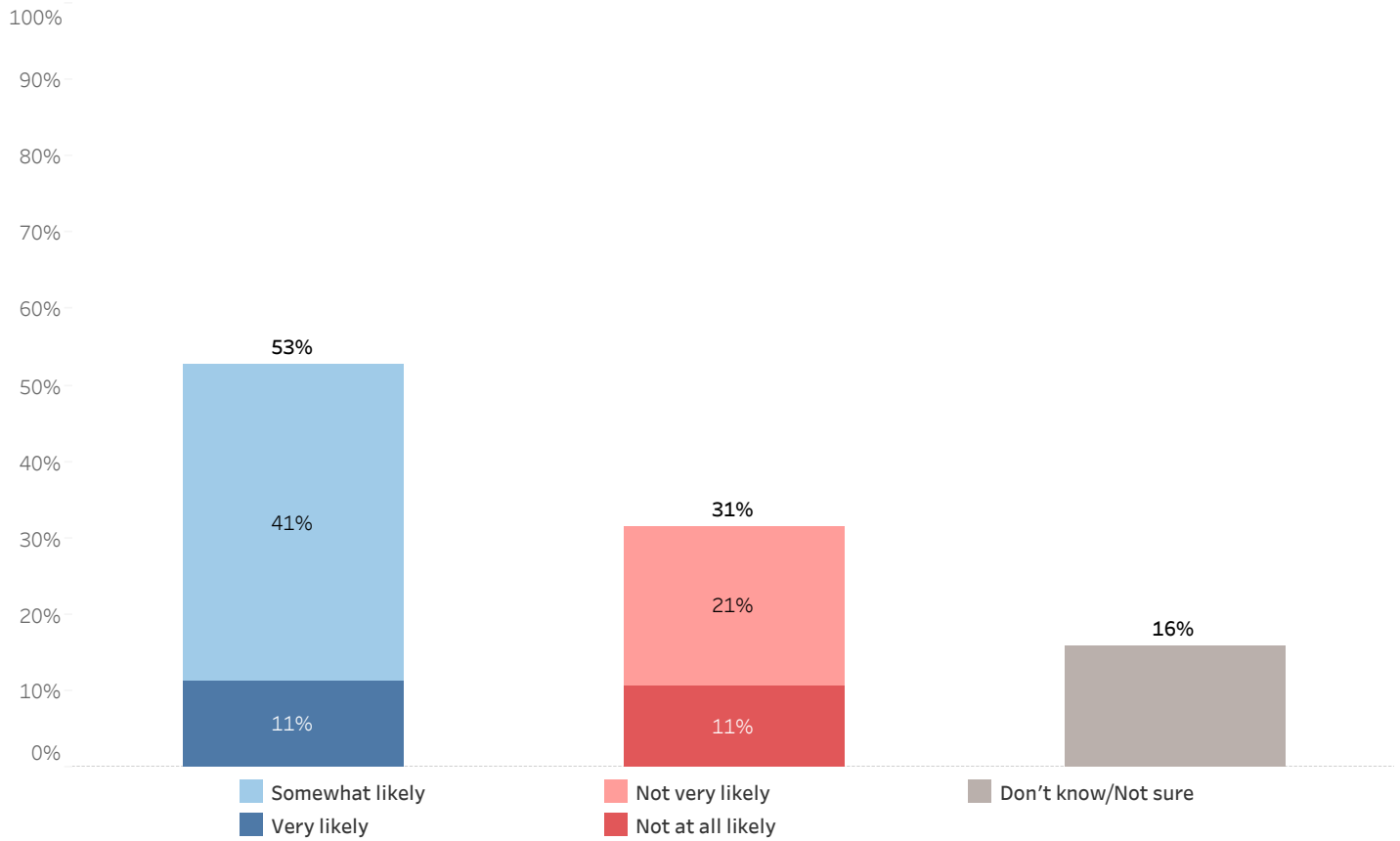
Support or oppose NH's presidential primary required to be held before any similar election in another state



Chances of Trump's Reelection

Granite State likely Democratic voters are largely pessimistic about defeating Donald Trump in 2020. More than half (53%) think it is very (11%) or somewhat (41%) likely that Trump will be reelected, while only 31% think it is not very (21%) or not at all (11%) likely. Sixteen percent don't know or are unsure how likely it is that Trump will be reelected.

How likely do you think it is that Donald Trump will be reelected in 2020?



Granite State Panel Methodology

These findings are based on the latest Granite State Panel survey, conducted by the University of New Hampshire Survey Center. Five hundred seventy (570) Granite State Panel members who are likely Democratic Primary voters completed the survey online between December 12 and December 18, 2019. Data were weighted by respondent sex, age, education, and region of the state to targets from the most recent American Community Survey (ACS) conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau.

Granite State Panel members are recruited from randomly-selected landline and cell phone numbers across New Hampshire. Respondents to the Granite State Poll were asked if they wished to participate in further research and asked to provide an email address. Those who agreed and provided an email address were added to the panel. Panel members were also recruited by texting a random sample of cellular telephones in the state and inviting the recipient to take a short survey.

For each survey which they complete, panel members are entered into quarterly drawings to earn rewards, such as gift certificates from statewide and internet companies. Due to rounding, percentages may not sum to 100%. The number of respondents in each demographic below may not equal the number reported in cross-tabulation tables as some respondents choose not to answer some questions.

For more information about the methodology used in the Granite State Panel, contact Dr. Andrew Smith at (603) 862-2226 or by email at andrew.smith@unh.edu.

Granite State Panel, December 2019 Demographics Likely Democratic Primary Voters

		Count	%
Registered to Vote	Reg. Democrat	318	62%
	Reg. Undeclared/Not Reg.	198	38%
Party ID	Democrat	464	83%
	Independent/Republican	93	17%
Ideology	Liberal	297	56%
	Moderate	208	39%
	Conservative	23	4%
Age of Respondent	18 to 34	166	30%
	35 to 49	132	24%
	50 to 64	147	27%
	65 and older	109	20%
Sex of Respondent	Female	308	57%
	Male	229	43%
Level of Education	High school or less	49	9%
	Technical school/Some college	297	53%
	College graduate	100	18%
	Postgraduate work	112	20%
Relig. Services Attendance	Once a week or more	47	9%
	Once or twice a month	29	5%
	A few times a year	139	26%
	Never	329	60%
Region of State	Central / Lakes	92	17%
	Connecticut Valley	83	15%
	Manchester Area	89	16%
	Mass Border	136	25%
	North Country	41	7%
	Seacoast	115	21%

This primary cycle, the Democratic National Committee (DNC) has put forward criteria to determine which candidates can participate in primary debates. Candidates must reach a certain level of support in polls as well as have a certain number of donors in order to qualify for the debate. Would you say that you support or oppose the DNC using these criteria to determine which candidates can participate in primary debates?

		<u>Strongly support</u>	<u>Somewhat support</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Somewhat oppose</u>	<u>Strongly oppose</u>	<u>Don't know/Not sure</u>	<u>N</u>
Overall	2019	12%	36%	13%	21%	13%	5%	565
Registered to Vote	Reg. Democrat	16%	40%	13%	15%	10%	7%	318
	Reg. Undelcared/Not Reg.	8%	32%	13%	25%	18%	3%	198
Party ID	Democrat	14%	38%	14%	20%	9%	6%	464
	Independent/Republican	8%	23%	6%	24%	37%	2%	93
Ideology	Liberal	14%	40%	10%	21%	9%	7%	297
	Moderate	11%	31%	16%	22%	17%	3%	208
	Conservative	25%	30%		18%	26%	1%	23
Age of Respondent	18 to 34	8%	42%	4%	22%	19%	6%	166
	35 to 49	17%	27%	20%	19%	12%	5%	132
	50 to 64	12%	37%	15%	20%	12%	4%	147
	65 and older	14%	32%	15%	22%	10%	7%	109
Sex of Respondent	Female	12%	36%	14%	19%	12%	6%	308
	Male	13%	36%	13%	21%	13%	4%	229
Level of Education	High school or less	12%	42%	11%	17%	18%		49
	Technical school/Some college	14%	35%	14%	20%	11%	6%	297
	College graduate	11%	34%	11%	22%	17%	5%	100
	Postgraduate work	11%	38%	12%	20%	14%	5%	112
Relig. Services Attendance	Once a week or more	21%	31%	9%	11%	17%	12%	47
	Once or twice a month	11%	43%	6%	20%	16%	4%	29
	A few times a year	9%	36%	15%	23%	12%	6%	139
	Never	12%	35%	13%	22%	13%	4%	329
Region of State	Central / Lakes	6%	52%	9%	14%	18%	1%	92
	Connecticut Valley	11%	33%	19%	19%	8%	10%	83
	Manchester Area	11%	46%	5%	17%	20%	2%	89
	Mass Border	19%	30%	15%	22%	9%	5%	136
	North Country	15%	28%	11%	20%	11%	15%	41
	Seacoast	11%	27%	17%	26%	16%	4%	115

Currently, seven candidates have qualified for the Democratic Democratic Primary debate. Do you think this is too many candidates, too few candidates, or just about the right amount?

		<u>Too many candidates</u>	<u>Too few candidates</u>	<u>About the right amount</u>	<u>Don't know/Not sure</u>	<u>N</u>
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Age of Respondent	18 to 34	43%	12%	33%	11%	166
	35 to 49	41%	9%	34%	17%	132
	50 to 64	20%	17%	51%	12%	147
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Sex of Respondent	Female	36%	13%	37%	14%	308
	Male	27%	11%	47%	14%	229
Level of Education	High school or less	39%	9%	35%	16%	49
	Technical school/Some college	34%	15%	37%	15%	297
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	Postgraduate work	31%	11%	46%	12%	112
Relig. Services Attendance	Once a week or more	35%	21%	42%	3%	47
	Once or twice a month	30%	7%	54%	9%	29
	A few times a year	43%	14%	33%	10%	139
	Never	30%	12%	40%	18%	329
Region of State	Central / Lakes	36%	12%	40%	12%	92
	Connecticut Valley	16%	11%	57%	16%	83
	Manchester Area	34%	15%	37%	15%	89
	Mass Border	43%	10%	35%	11%	136
	North Country	45%	6%	41%	8%	41
	Seacoast	31%	18%	35%	16%	115

Of the five Democratic Primary debates that have taken place so far, how many have you watched at least part of?

		<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>None</u>	<u>Don't know/Not sure</u>	<u>N</u>
Overall	2019	8%	13%	25%	12%	26%	16%	1%	565
Registered to Vote	Reg. Democrat	6%	14%	25%	15%	29%	11%	1%	318
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Party ID	Democrat	8%	13%	27%	13%	25%	14%	1%	464
	Independent/Republican	10%	10%	16%	7%	30%	27%		93
Ideology	Liberal	8%	11%	29%	13%	25%	13%	1%	297
	Moderate	9%	13%	23%	13%	22%	18%	0%	208
	Conservative	11%	5%	27%	3%	32%	22%		23
Age of Respondent	18 to 34	8%	7%	33%	9%	27%	15%	1%	166
	35 to 49	16%	7%	25%	10%	22%	20%		132
	50 to 64	2%	17%	23%	15%	25%	18%	0%	147
	65 and older	7%	18%	19%	16%	29%	12%	0%	109
Sex of Respondent	Female	9%	12%	31%	12%	23%	13%	0%	308
	Male	6%	12%	17%	11%	31%	22%	1%	229
Level of Education	High school or less	8%	12%	13%	11%	28%	28%		49
	Technical school/Some college	7%	11%	30%	13%	27%	12%		297
	College graduate	9%	17%	22%	12%	24%	14%	2%	100
	Postgraduate work	10%	13%	20%	12%	21%	23%	1%	112
Relig. Services Attendance	Once a week or more	9%	9%	25%	11%	32%	13%		47
	Once or twice a month	6%	7%	43%	6%	20%	18%		29
	A few times a year	11%	10%	33%	15%	24%	7%	0%	139
	Never	7%	13%	22%	11%	26%	20%	1%	329
Region of State	Central / Lakes	4%	16%	19%	8%	32%	20%		92
	Connecticut Valley	10%	25%	25%	4%	23%	11%	2%	83
	Manchester Area	3%	11%	29%	13%	30%	15%	0%	89
	Mass Border	10%	8%	28%	19%	21%	14%	0%	136
	North Country	18%	5%	19%	11%	25%	22%		41
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Recently, some candidates and commentators have questioned the role of Iowa and New Hampshire as the first two states to vote in the presidential primary process, citing the relative lack of racial/ethnic diversity in the two states compared to the country as a whole. How concerned are you about New Hampshire holding the first-in-the-nation primary despite a relative lack of racial/ethnic diversity?

		<u>Very concerned</u>	<u>Somewhat concerned</u>	<u>Not very concerned</u>	<u>Not at all concerned</u>	<u>Don't know/Not sure</u>	<u>N</u>
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	Independent/Republican	7%	16%	17%	58%	2%	93
Ideology	Liberal	9%	36%	28%	22%	4%	297
	Moderate	9%	24%	23%	42%	2%	208
	Conservative	8%	4%	6%	82%		23
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Relig. Services Attendance	Once a week or more	4%	25%	28%	44%		47
	Once or twice a month	3%	26%	16%	53%	2%	29
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	Never	9%	32%	25%	32%	3%	329
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How likely do you think it is that Donald Trump will be reelected in 2020?

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