

## TEXAS CD 6 SPECIAL ELECTION BASELINE SURVEY

| Field Dates: | April 11-13, 2021 |
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| Sample Size: | $\mathrm{N}=400$ Registered Voters (50\% - 60\% cell) |
| Margin of Error: | $+/-4.9 \%$ |

* Denotes result less than 0.5\%

NOTE: Due to rounding, some figures may be higher or lower by less than one-half percent.

## Question 1

As you may know, Congressman Ron Wright passed away this past February. As a result, there will be a special election coming up to elect a new member to the United States Congress to represent this district.

As you think about this special election here in Texas' Sixth Congressional District, how likely would you say you are to vote in that special election? Would you say are you very likely, somewhat likely, not that likely, or not at all likely?

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80% VERY LIKELY
17% SOMEWHAT LIKELY
    3% NOT THAT LIKELY
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* DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE


## 96\% TOTAL LIKELY

3\% TOTAL UNLIKELY

## Question 2

Next, from what you've seen, read, or heard, what is the date of the upcoming special election for Texas' Sixth Congressional District?

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29% MAY 1
    * SATURDAY IN MAY
    5% EARLY MAY
    9% MAY
14% SOME OTHER MONTH OR DATE
42% DON'T KNOW
    -- REFUSED
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## 43\% TOTAL KNOW ROUGHLY

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57\% TOTAL DON'T KNOW
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## Question 3

And, if the special election were being held today, for whom would you vote... a Republican candidate, or a Democratic candidate for U.S. Congress from this district?

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42% DEFINITELY REPUBLICAN
    9% PROBABLY REPUBLICAN
    7% PROBABLY DEMOCRAT
34% DEFINITELY DEMOCRAT
    2% LEAN REPUBLICAN
    2% LEAN DEMOCRAT
    4% UNDECIDED/DON'T KNOW
    1% REFUSED
50% TOTAL REPUBLICAN
40% TOTAL DEMOCRAT
8% TOTAL LEAN/UNDECIDED
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## Question 4

And, do you approve or disapprove of the job Joe Biden is doing as President?
36\% STRONGLY APPROVE11\% SOMEWHAT APPROVE
4\% SOMEWHAT DISAPPROVE
44\% STRONGLY DISAPPROVE
4\% DON'T KNOW
1\% REFUSED
47\% TOTAL APPROVE
49\% TOTAL DISAPPROVE

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## Questions N1-N14

Next, I would like to read you a list of people active in politics here in Texas and nationally. For each one, please tell me, first whether you've heard of the person, then, if so, please tell me whether you have a favorable or unfavorable impression of that person. If I name someone you don't know too much about, just tell me and we'll go on to the next one.

| TOTAL | TOTAL | TOTAL | STR | SMWT | SMWT | STR | HRD OF/ | NVR | REF |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| HRD OF | FAV | UNFAV | FAV | FAV | UNFAV | UNFAV | NO OPIN | HRD OF |  |

(N1) Ron Wright
$90 \% \quad 51 \% \quad 16 \% \quad 22 \% \quad 29 \% \quad 7 \% \quad 9 \% \quad 23 \% \quad 10 \% \quad 1 \%$
(N2) Susan Wright
$71 \% \quad 34 \% \quad 13 \% \quad 13 \% \quad 20 \% \quad 7 \% \quad 6 \% \quad 24 \% \quad$ 29\%
(N3) Jake Ellzey
$41 \% \quad 22 \% \quad 4 \% \quad 10 \% ~ 12 \% \quad 4 \% \quad 1 \% \quad 15 \% \quad 58 \% \quad 1 \%$
(N4) Jana Lynne Sanchez
38\% 18\% 7\% $\quad 1 \% \quad 10 \% \quad 4 \% \quad 3 \% \quad 14 \% \quad 61 \% \quad 1 \%$
(N5) Lydia Bean
26\% 9\% 3\% $3 \% \quad 6 \% \quad 2 \% \quad 1 \% \quad 13 \% \quad$ 74\%
(N6) Brian Harrison
$40 \% \quad 22 \% \quad 3 \% \quad 10 \% \quad 12 \% \quad 2 \% \quad 1 \% \quad 15 \% \quad 59 \% \quad 1 \%$
(N7) Shawn Lassiter
29\% $\quad 5 \% \quad 3 \% \quad 1 \% \quad 4 \% \quad 2 \% \quad 1 \% \quad 20 \% \quad 71 \% \quad$ *
(N8) Sery Kim
$20 \% \quad 3 \% \quad 4 \% \quad 1 \% \quad 2 \% \quad 3 \% \quad 1 \% \quad 13 \% \quad 19 \%$
(N9) Joe Biden

(N10) Donald Trump
100\% 49\% 49\% 38\% 11\% 3\% 46\% 2\%
(N11) Ted Cruz
$96 \% \quad 49 \% \quad 46 \% \quad 38 \% \quad 12 \% \quad 4 \% \quad 41 \% \quad 1 \% \quad 3 \%$

|  | TOTAL HRD OF | TOTAL FAV | TOTAL UNFAV | $\begin{aligned} & \text { STR } \\ & \text { FAV } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SMWT } \\ & \text { FAV } \end{aligned}$ | SMWT <br> UNFAV | STR <br> UNFAV | HRD OF/ NO OPIN | NVR <br> HRD OF | REF |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (N12) | Greg Abbott |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 98\% | 53\% | 42\% | 39\% | 14\% | 9\% | 32\% | 3\% | 2\% | * |
| (N13) | Nancy Pelosi |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 98\% | 39\% | 56\% | 24\% | 16\% | 3\% | 53\% | 3\% | 2\% | * |
| (N14) | Alexandria Ocas | Cortez |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 86\% | 33\% | 43\% | 20\% | 14\% | 7\% | 37\% | 10\% | 13\% | 1\% |

## Question 5

Which of the following issue areas would you say is the MOST important issue in deciding your vote for United States Congress?

| First Choice | Combined Choice |  |
| ---: | :---: | :--- |
| $26 \%$ | $41 \%$ | IMMIGRATION AND THE BORDER CRISIS |
| $12 \%$ | $25 \%$ | THE ECONOMY AND JOBS |
| $9 \%$ | $15 \%$ | INEQUALITY AND CIVIL RIGHTS |
| $8 \%$ | $19 \%$ | SOCIAL SECURITY AND MEDICARE |
| $7 \%$ | $14 \%$ | THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC |
| $7 \%$ | $14 \%$ | SECOND AMENDMENT RIGHTS |
| $7 \%$ | $18 \%$ | HEALTH CARE |
| $4 \%$ | $13 \%$ | GOVERNMENT SPENDING AND THE NATIONAL DEBT |
| $4 \%$ | $13 \%$ | GUN VIOLENCE |
| $3 \%$ | $9 \%$ | TAXES |
| $3 \%$ | $9 \%$ | EDUCATION |
| $2 \%$ | $8 \%$ | THE ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE |
| $2 \%$ | $8 \%$ | NATIONAL SECURITY AND TERRORISM |
| $2 \%$ | $6 \%$ | CRIME AND SAFETY |
| $1 \%$ | $1 \%$ | NONE OF THE ABOVE |
|  |  |  |
| $2 \%$ | $2 \%$ | DON'T KNOW/REFUSED |

## Question 6

Now, turning our attention back to the upcoming special election for Texas' Sixth Congressional District, how interested are you in this special election in May? Please rate your interest from one to ten, with one meaning that you have no interest in this election and ten meaning that you are extremely interested. Of course, you can choose any number between one and ten.

| $41 \%$ | 10 |
| ---: | :--- |
| $68 \%$ | $8-10$ |
| $27 \%$ | $5-7$ |
| $4 \%$ | $1-4$ |
|  |  |
| $8 \%$ | 9 |
| $19 \%$ | 8 |
| $9 \%$ | 7 |
| $7 \%$ | 6 |
| $11 \%$ | 5 |
| $*$ | 4 |
| $1 \%$ | 3 |
| $1 \%$ | 2 |
| $1 \%$ | 1 |
| $*$ | DON'T KNOW/REFUSED |

### 8.1 MEAN

## Question 7

Now, I'm going to read a list of candidates who have filed to run in the special election for Texas' Sixth Congressional District, and I'd like you to tell me for whom would you vote if the election were held today. Please note, there are 23 candidates running in this race - so it will take some time to read them all. At any point, if I read the name of a candidate you are planning to vote for, feel free to stop me. Otherwise, you can tell me at the end.

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9% DEFINITELY SANCHEZ
7% PROBABLY SANCHEZ
9% DEFINITELY WRIGHT
6% PROBABLY WRIGHT
6% DEFINITELY ELLZEY
8% PROBABLY ELLZEY
5% DEFINITELY HARRISON
7% PROBABLY HARRISON
1% DEFINITELY BEAN
4% PROBABLY BEAN
2% DEFINITELY LASSITER
1% PROBABLY LASSITER
1% DEFINITELY CASTRO
2% PROBABLY CASTRO
    * DEFINITELY RODIMER
1% PROBABLY RODIMER
    -- DEFINITELY MIZHER
1% PROBABLY MIZHER
    * DEFINITELY ALLISON
1% PROBABLY ALLISON
    -- DEFINITELY WOOD
1% PROBABLY WOOD
    * DEFINITELY STEPHENSON
    * PROBABLY STEPHENSON
    -- DEFINITELY EGAN
1% PROBABLY EGAN
    -- DEFINITELY SUPRUN
1% PROBABLY SUPRUN
    * DEFINITELY MOSES
    * PROBABLY MOSES
    * DEFINITELY KIM
    -- PROBABLY KIM
    * DEFINITELY GRAY
    -- PROBABLY GRAY
    -- DEFINITELY SALAZAR
    * PROBABLY SALAZAR
    -- DEFINITELY SHARON
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* PROBABLY SHARON
-- DEFINITELY BALLANTINE
-- PROBABLY BALLANTINE
-- DEFINITELY EDDINGS
-- PROBABLY EDDINGS
-- DEFINITELY HINTERLONG
-- PROBABLY HINTERLONG
-- DEFINITELY RODERMUND
-- PROBABLY RODERMUND
23\% UNDECIDED/DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE
* REFUSED
16\% TOTAL SANCHEZ (DEMOCRAT)
15\% TOTAL WRIGHT (REPUBLICAN)
14\% TOTAL ELLZEY (REPUBLICAN)
12\% TOTAL HARRISON (REPUBLICAN)
5\% TOTAL BEAN (DEMOCRAT)
3\% TOTAL LASSITER (DEMOCRAT)
3\% TOTAL CASTRO (REPUBLICAN)
2\% TOTAL RODIMER (REPUBLICAN)
1\% TOTAL MIZHER (INDEPENDENT)
1\% TOTAL ALLISON (DEMOCRAT)
1\% TOTAL WOOD (REPUBLICAN)
1\% TOTAL STEPHENSON (DEMOCRAT)
1\% TOTAL EGAN (REPUBLICAN)
1\% TOTAL SUPRUN (DEMOCRAT)
* TOTAL MOSES (DEMOCRAT)
* TOTAL KIM (REPUBLICAN)
* TOTAL GRAY (LIBERTARIAN)
* TOTAL SALAZAR (DEMOCRAT)
* TOTAL SHARON (REPUBLICAN)
-- TOTAL BALLANTINE (REPUBLICAN)
-- TOTAL EDDINGS (DEMOCRAT)
-- TOTAL HINTERLONG (DEMOCRAT)
-- TOTAL RODERMUND (REPUBLICAN)


## Question 8

And, if the special election for Texas' Sixth Congressional District were being held today, for whom would you vote if the candidates were Susan Wright, Republican, Jana Lynne Sanchez, Democrat, Jake Ellzey, Republican, Lydia Bean, Democrat, Brian Harrison, Republican, Shawn Lassiter, Democrat, Patrick Moses, Democrat, and Dan Rodimer, Republican?

```
20% SANCHEZ
17% WRIGHT
16% ELLZEY
12% HARRISON
7% BEAN
5% LASSITER
3% MOSES
2% RODIMER
    -- SOMEONE ELSE/OTHER
18% UNDECIDED/DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE
1% REFUSED
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## Question 9

And, thinking more broadly for a moment, who would you prefer to represent you in Congress?

A Republican who will be a check and balance to Nancy Pelosi and the Democrats' agenda in Congress.
...OR...
A Democrat who will help Nancy Pelosi and the Democrats pass their agenda in Congress.

| $55 \%$ | REPUBLICAN/CHECK AND BALANCE |
| :--- | :--- |
| $42 \%$ | DEMOCRAT/HELP PELOSI |

2\% DON'T KNOW
1\% REFUSED

## Questions M1-M14

Now, I'd like to read you a series of different positions that some Democrat candidates for US Congress have taken. After I read each one, please tell me if that particular position makes you MORE LIKELY or LESS LIKELY to support that candidate, or if it makes no difference one way or the other.

| TOTAL | TOTAL | MUCH | SMWT | SMWT | MUCH | NO DIFF | DK/REF |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| MORE | LESS | MORE | MORE | LESS | LESS |  |  |

(M1) [TRANSGENDER] A Democrat candidate who supports allowing transgender athletes at every level, including high school, to participate in women's individual and team sports.
23\% 54\% $16 \% \quad 7 \% \quad 5 \%$
(M2) [BIDEN INFRASTRUCTURE] A Democrat candidate who supports Joe Biden's radical plan to pass the largest tax hike in American history and send thousands of factories, millions of jobs, and trillions of dollars overseas.

(M3) [KEYSTONE] A Democrat candidate who supports shutting down the construction of the Keystone XL Pipeline, which has already led to the layoff of at least a thousand workers, and will sacrifice millions of dollars in economic growth, hike gas prices, and make America more reliant on foreign oil.
$27 \% \quad 55 \% \quad 21 \% \quad 6 \% \quad 50 \% \quad 13 \% \quad 5$
(M4) [OIL AND GAS] A Democrat candidate who supports an energy policy that will devastate Texas' oil and gas industry and the hundreds of billions of dollars in economic benefits and millions of Texas jobs that the oil and gas industry provides for the state.
22\%
56\%
18\%
4\%
7\%
49\%
19\%
3\%
(M5) [GND] A Democrat candidate endorsed by national Democrats who are pushing a plan known as the Green New Deal pushed by environmental extremists which could cost every Texas household 65 thousand dollars each year.
24\% 56\% 19\% 5\% $4 \%$ 53\%
(M6) [MEDICARE FOR ALL] A Democrat candidate who supports a complete government takeover of our health care system - a plan which would eliminate all private and employer-provided health insurance plans, cost trillions of dollars, and require the doubling of personal and business income taxes on every single American just to pay for it.
$21 \% \quad 59 \% \quad 15 \% \quad 6 \% \quad 7 \%$
(M7) [IMMIGRATION] A Democrat candidate who supports decriminalizing illegal border crossing and giving free taxpayer-funded health care to illegal immigrants.
22\%
56\%
15\%
7\%
5\%
51\%
17\%
5\%

| TOTAL | TOTAL | MUCH | SMWT | SMWT | MUCH | NO DIFF | DK/REF |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| MORE | LESS | MORE | MORE | LESS | LESS |  |  |

(M8) [DEFUND POLICE] A Democrat candidate who accepts the support of groups that want to defund the police.

| 17\% | 62\% | 9\% | 7\% | 8\% | 53\% | 17\% | 5\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

(M9) [BORDER WALL] A Democrat candidate who supports a plan to put a stop to the construction of a border wall along the southern border and immediately halt construction on the wall.
35\% 50\% 29\% 6\% 5\% 45\% $41 \%$
(M10) [MILITARY SPENDING] A Democrat candidate endorsed by national Democrats who are pushing a plan to cut hundreds of billions of dollars in funding for our military.
$22 \% \quad 57 \% \quad 15 \% \quad 6 \% \quad 48 \%$
(M11) [CANCEL CULTURE] A Democrat candidate who embraces cancel culture and political correctness, which limits free speech and silences conservative voices and values.
16\%
59\%
12\%
4\%
7\%
52\%
19\%
6\%
(M12) [GUN CONTROL] A Democrat candidate who supports new restrictions on our Second Amendment rights to buy and own a gun and supports creating a federal registry of all gunowners in the United States.

35\% 49\% $30 \%$ 6\% 4\% 44\% $42 \%$
(M13) [ANTI-TRUMP] A Democrat candidate who will work to overturn former President Trump's agenda and continue to use our tax dollars to further investigate Trump even though he's no longer in office.
$33 \%$ 53\% $27 \%$ 6\% $5 \%$ 48\%
(M14) [BANKRUPT] A Democrat candidate who will vote with Nancy Pelosi to support the Democrats' socialist agenda and big government spending which will bankrupt this country.
22\%
57\%
18\%
5\%
5\% 51\%
15\%
6\%

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Question 10
Thinking again, if the special election were being held today, for whom would you vote... a Republican candidate, or a Democratic candidate for U.S. Congress from this district?

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46% DEFINITELY REPUBLICAN
    6% PROBABLY REPUBLICAN
    8% PROBABLY DEMOCRAT
34% DEFINITELY DEMOCRAT
    2% LEAN REPUBLICAN
    -- LEAN DEMOCRAT
    3% UNDECIDED/DON'T KNOW
    1% REFUSED
53% TOTAL REPUBLICAN
41% TOTAL DEMOCRAT
    6% TOTAL LEAN/UNDECIDED
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## Question 11

Now, having talked more about this, how interested are you in upcoming special election for Texas' Sixth Congressional District? Please rate your interest from one to ten, with one meaning that you have no interest in this election and ten meaning that you are extremely interested. Of course, you can choose any number between one and ten.

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49% 10
74% 8-10
22% 5-7
4% 1-4
    9% 9
16% 8
    8% 7
    6% 6
    8% 5
    1% 4
    1% 3
    1% 2
    1% 1
        * DON'T KNOW/REFUSED
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### 8.4 MEAN

## Question 12

In your opinion, is President Joe Biden suffering from a cognitive ailment such as dementia?

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38% YES
48% NO
13% DON'T KNOW
    2% REFUSED
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## Question D1

In what year were you born?

| $20 \%$ | $18-34$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| $15 \%$ | $35-44$ |
| $17 \%$ | $45-54$ |
| $22 \%$ | $55-64$ |
| $26 \%$ | 65 AND ABOVE |

## Question D2

In politics today, do you consider yourself a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or something else?

32\% STRONG REPUBLICAN
9\% NOT-SO-STRONG REPUBLICAN
12\% LEAN REPUBLICAN
5\% INDEPENDENT/SOMETHING ELSE
9\% LEAN DEMOCRAT
8\% NOT-SO-STRONG DEMOCRAT
24\% STRONG DEMOCRAT

1\% REFUSED

41\% TOTAL REPUBLICAN
26\% TOTAL LEAN/INDEPENDENT
32\% TOTAL DEMOCRAT

## Question D3

And, generally speaking, on most political issues, do you consider yourself to be conservative, moderate, or liberal on most issues?

30\% VERY CONSERVATIVE
15\% SOMEWHAT CONSERVATIVE
30\% MODERATE
11\% SOMEWHAT LIBERAL
10\% VERY LIBERAL

2\% DON'T KNOW
2\% REFUSED

45\% TOTAL CONSERVATIVE
30\% MODERATE
21\% TOTAL LIBERAL

## Question D4

And what is the last grade you completed in school?
-- SOME GRADE SCHOOL
5\% SOME HIGH SCHOOL
34\% GRADUATED HIGH SCHOOL
3\% TECHNICAL/VOCATIONAL SCHOOL
22\% SOME COLLEGE
24\% GRADUATED COLLEGE
12\% POST-GRADUATE

1\% REFUSED

38\% TOTAL HS OR LESS
25\% TOTAL SOME COLLEGE
36\% TOTAL COLLEGE+

## Question D5

Are you currently single and never married, unmarried and living with a partner, married, separated, widowed, or divorced?

62\% MARRIED
13\% WIDOWED
11\% SINGLE
9\% DIVORCED
2\% UNMARRIED AND LIVING WITH A PARTNER

* SEPARATED
* OTHER

3\% REFUSED

62\% MARRIED
35\% TOTAL UNMARRIED

## Question D6

Are you of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin?

9\% YES
90\% NO

1\% REFUSED

## Question D7

What is your race?

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75% CAUCASIAN OR WHITE
17% AFRICAN-AMERICAN OR BLACK
    2% AMERICAN INDIAN OR ALASKA NATIVE
    1% ASIAN
    -- PACIFIC ISLANDER
    1% OTHER RACE
    4% REFUSED
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## Question D8

Despite how you may feel today, please tell me for whom did you vote in the election for President in November 2020?

## AMONG TOTAL SAMPLE

47\% DONALD TRUMP, REPUBLICAN
45\% JOE BIDEN, DEMOCRAT
1\% JO JORGENSEN, LIBERTARIAN

* HOWIE HAWKINS, GREEN
* OTHER

2\% DID NOT VOTE FOR PRESIDENT

* NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW

5\% REFUSED

AMONG TOTAL VOTED, $\mathbf{N}=371$
51\% DONALD TRUMP, REPUBLICAN
48\% JOE BIDEN, DEMOCRAT
1\% JO JORGENSEN, LIBERTARIAN

* HOWIE HAWKINS, GREEN
* OTHER


## Question D9

Gender.

46\% MALE
54\% FEMALE

