

**2022 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL  
SURVEY OF AMERICAN PARENTS  
WAVE 115 SEPTEMBER 2022  
FINAL TOPLINE  
SEPTEMBER 20-OCTOBER 2, 2022  
TOTAL N=3,757<sup>1</sup>**

**NOTE: ALL NUMBERS ARE PERCENTAGES UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED. THE PERCENTAGES LESS THAN 0.5% ARE REPLACED BY AN ASTERISK (\*). ROWS/COLUMNS MAY NOT TOTAL 100% DUE TO ROUNDING. THE QUESTIONS PRESENTED BELOW ARE PART OF A LARGER SURVEY CONDUCTED ON THE AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL. THE OTHER QUESTIONS ON THIS SURVEY ARE HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE OR HAVE BEEN PREVIOUSLY RELEASED.**

	<b>Sample size</b>	<b>Margin of error at 95% confidence level</b>
Adult parents (18+) of children under age 18	3,757	+/- 2.2 percentage points
<i>Parents with children in K-12 schools</i>	3,251	+/- 2.3 percentage points

For all questions shown in this topline, parents with more than one child in K-12 schools were asked to think of one specific child, randomly assigned as either their youngest or oldest child in K-12 schools.

**IF K12TOTAL>1 AND DOV\_WHICHCHILD=1 DISPLAY TEXT:**

The rest of our questions are about your YOUNGEST child who is in elementary, middle or high school. When answering, please think specifically about that child and choose the answers that apply to them.

**IF K12TOTAL>1 AND DOV\_WHICHCHILD=2 DISPLAY TEXT:**

The rest of our questions are about your OLDEST child who is in elementary, middle or high school. When answering, please think specifically about that child and choose the answers that apply to them.

**IF K12TOTAL=1 DISPLAY TEXT:**

The rest of our questions are about your child who is in elementary, middle or high school.

**DISPLAY TO ALL PARENTS WITH CHILDREN IN ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE OR HIGH SCHOOL (K12TOTAL>=1). DISPLAY THIS INTRO TEXT SENTENCE ONLY FOR FIRST QUESTION IN THE BLOCK RANDOMIZATION, EITHER CVDEMOTIONAL1 OR CVDEDUC1:**

The next question asks about the first year of the COVID-19 pandemic, that is, from March 2020 to March 2021.

**[RANDOMIZE ORDER OF CVDEMOTIONAL1/CVDEMOTIONAL2 AND CVDEDUC1/CVDEDUC2 BLOCKS]**

<sup>1</sup> The Wave 115 survey includes an oversample of 770 responses from Hispanic, Asian and Black parents who are members of Ipsos' KnowledgePanel. See [Methodology](#) for more details.

**DISPLAY TO ALL PARENTS WITH CHILDREN IN ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE OR HIGH SCHOOL (K12TOTAL>=1):**

Still thinking about that same child...

**ASK IF CHILD IN K-12 SCHOOLS (K12TOTAL>=1) [n=3,251]:**

CVDEMOTIONAL1 What kind of effect did the first year of the COVID-19 pandemic have on this child's emotional well-being? **[REVERSE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-5 FOR RANDOM ½ OF THE SAMPLE]**

<u>Total</u>	
2	Very positive
4	Somewhat positive
39	Neither positive nor negative
35	Somewhat negative
13	Very negative
6	Not sure
1	No answer

**DISPLAY TO ALL PARENTS WITH CHILDREN IN ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE OR HIGH SCHOOL (K12TOTAL>=1):**

Still thinking about that same child...

**ASK IF POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE EFFECT (CVDEMOTIONAL1=1,2,4,5) [n=1,833]:**

CVDEMOTIONAL2 Compared to the first year of the COVID-19 pandemic, has this child's emotional well-being... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, WITH 3 ALWAYS LAST]**

**BASED ON SAID NEGATIVE EFFECT<sup>2</sup> [n=1,635]:**

<u>Total</u>	
74	Gotten better
8	Gotten worse
18	Stayed about the same
*	No answer

**DISPLAY TO ALL PARENTS WITH CHILDREN IN ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE OR HIGH SCHOOL (K12TOTAL>=1). DISPLAY THIS INTRO TEXT SENTENCE ONLY FOR FIRST QUESTION IN THE BLOCK RANDOMIZATION, EITHER CVDEMOTIONAL1 OR CVDEDUC1:**

The next question asks about the first year of the COVID-19 pandemic, that is, from March 2020 to March 2021.

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<sup>2</sup> The sample size of those who say the effect was positive is too small to report estimates.

**DISPLAY TO ALL PARENTS WITH CHILDREN IN ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE OR HIGH SCHOOL (K12TOTAL>=1):**

Still thinking about that same child...

**ASK IF CHILD IN K-12 SCHOOLS (K12TOTAL>=1) [n=3,251]:**

CVDEDUC1 What kind of effect did the first year of the COVID-19 pandemic have on this child's education? **[SHOW RESPONSE OPTIONS IN SAME ORDER AS CVDEMOTIONAL1]**

<u>Total</u>	
2	Very positive
4	Somewhat positive
26	Neither positive nor negative
36	Somewhat negative
19	Very negative
3	Not sure
10	Child was not of school age at the time
1	No answer

**DISPLAY TO ALL PARENTS WITH CHILDREN IN ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE OR HIGH SCHOOL (K12TOTAL>=1):**

Still thinking about that same child...

**ASK IF POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE EFFECT (CVDEDUC1=1,2,4,5) [n=2,071]:**

CVDEDUC2 Thinking about how things are going now for this child, would you say the **(IF CVDEDUC1=1,2: positive/IF CVDEDUC1=4,5: negative)** effect of the first year of the pandemic on this child's education... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2]**

**BASED ON SAID NEGATIVE EFFECT<sup>3</sup> [n=1,878]:**

<u>Total</u>	
56	Was only temporary
44	Is still having an effect today
*	No answer

**ASK ALL PARENTS WITH A CHILD YOUNGER THAN 18:**

PARTY In politics today, do you consider yourself a:

**ASK IF INDEP/SOMETHING ELSE (PARTY=3,4) OR MISSING [n=1,588]:**

PARTYLN As of today do you lean more to...<sup>4</sup>

<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>	<u>Something else</u>	<u>No answer</u>	<u>Lean Rep</u>	<u>Lean Dem</u>
25	30	28	15	2	17	21

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<sup>4</sup> PARTY and PARTYLN asked in a prior survey.