SOUTH CAROLINA: LITTLE CHANGE FOR DEM FIELD

Biden maintains lead, but some potential for shifts within black electorate

West Long Branch, NJ – Former Vice President Joe Biden remains the clear front-runner among likely Democratic voters in South Carolina. The **Monmouth University Poll** finds little has changed in overall presidential primary support, but there is evidence that black voters' preference for the front-runner varies significantly when age and education are taken into account.

Biden currently holds 33% support among South Carolina voters who are likely to vote in the February 2020 Democratic primary. This is down slightly from his 39% support level in Monmouth's July poll. Massachusetts Sen. Elizabeth Warren (16%) and Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders (12%) are in the second tier of candidate preferences. Warren has improved on her 9% standing in July while Sanders was at a similar 10% then. California Sen. Kamala Harris has 6% support, which is down from 12% in July.

Other candidates registering at least 2% support in the poll are former hedge fund manager Tom Steyer (4%), South Bend Mayor Pete Buttigieg (3%), New Jersey Sen. Cory Booker (2%), Minnesota Sen. Amy Klobuchar (2%), and entrepreneur Andrew Yang (2%). The remaining nine candidates included in the poll receive 1% support or less. Another 15% of likely voters say they are not yet leaning toward any candidate in this race.

Shifts, or lack thereof, in the fortunes of these candidates can be seen more plainly when both the first and second choices of voters are examined. Biden is a top-two preference for 46% of Palmetto State Democrats (down slightly by 4 points from 50% in July), Warren is at 35% (up 16 points from 19%), Sanders is at 23% (same as 23% in July), and Harris is at 13% (down 15 points from 28%). However, Biden's position as either a first or second choice candidate has dropped by 10 points among black voters (52% from 62% in July). Warren's position as a top-two choice has improved among black voters (26% from 11% in July). Harris has declined as a top-two choice among black voters (17% from 28% in July), while Sanders remains about the same (25% from 23% in July).

"Biden is still in a pretty good position in South Carolina, but there are some signs that he might not have a true firewall among black voters. If he does not do well in the earlier contests in February, there may be potential for current preferences to shift here," said Patrick Murray, director of the independent Monmouth University Polling Institute.

SOUTH CAROLINA DEMOCRATIC VOTER PREFERENCES *Combined first and second choice %ages*						
	TOTAL		WHITE		BLACK	
	Oct	July	Oct	July	Oct	July
Joe Biden	46%	50%	41%	37%	52%	62%
Elizabeth Warren	35%	19%	52%	31%	26%	11%
Bernie Sanders	23%	23%	20%	25%	25%	23%
Kamala Harris	13%	28%	8%	28%	17%	28%

Biden is the top pick among black Democratic primary voters in South Carolina at 39%, with Warren (11%), Sanders (11%), Harris (8%) and the rest of the field trailing him by a wide margin. However, a significant number of black voters (19%) remain completely undecided on their preference and there are some sizable differences by age and education.

Among white Democratic voters, who make up about two-fifths of the likely electorate, it is a tight contest between Biden (28%) and Warren (24%), with Sanders (13%) and Buttigieg (8%) following behind. Just 6% of white voters say they do not have any candidate in mind as their pick.

Looking at a hypothetical nomination contest without Joe Biden in the race (by assigning his voters to their second choice candidate), suggests a very uncertain contest, with Warren at 25%, Sanders at 18%, Harris at 9%, Steyer at 6%, and Buttigieg at 5%, with 20% undecided among all South Carolina Democratic voters. Among white voters in a potential scenario without Biden, 37% back Warren, 14% Sanders, and 11% Buttigieg, with 10% undecided. Among black voters, the preferences are 20% Sanders, 17% Warren, 13% Harris, and 7% Steyer, with 25% undecided.

The poll also finds that South Carolina Democratic primary voters are not inclined to believe claims that Biden pressured the Ukraine government to fire its prosecutor in order to block an investigation of business activities involving Biden's son. More than 6-in-10 feel that these claims about Biden are likely to be untrue, although only 28% say that they are definitely not true while another 35% say they are probably not true. Another 12% say these claims are probably true and 1% say they are definitely true.

A plurality of 44% say that this controversy has had no impact on Biden's ability to beat President Donald Trump next year, but one-third (34%) say that it has actually hurt Biden. Just 4% say it has helped him. Nearly half (48%) say Biden's response to the charges has been done with the right amount of force,

but 23% say his response has not been forceful enough and 6% say his response has actually been too forceful.

"The issues around Biden and his son brought up in the Ukraine investigation do not seem to be having a significant impact on South Carolina Democrats right now. But some voters do seem to be worried about where this all might lead and how Biden is handling the controversy," said Murray.

A majority (52%) of likely Democratic primary voters say it is very important that Democrats nominate someone who supports impeaching Trump. Currently, all candidates in the field have called for Trump's impeachment. About half (49%) also say that it is very important for the party to nominate someone who will build on the legacy of former President Barack Obama. Black voters are more likely than white voters to prioritize both Trump's impeachment (57% black to 44% white) and Obama's legacy (57% black to 42% white).

The *Monmouth University Poll* asked likely Democratic primary voters to rate the 12 candidates who appeared on the debate stage earlier this month. For the most part, these ratings remain unchanged from Monmouth's July poll. Biden holds the most positive rating at 76% favorable to 12% unfavorable. Other candidates with strong positive ratings are Warren (66% to 10%) and Sanders (66% to 18%).

2020 DEMOCRATIC FIELD SOUTH CAROLINA PARTY VOTER OPINION				
	October		*July*	
	Net rating	Favorable/ unfavorable	*Net rating*	Favorable/ unfavorable
Joe Biden	*+64*	76/12	*+70*	79/9
Elizabeth Warren	*+56*	66/10	*+60*	67/7
Bernie Sanders	*+48*	66/18	*+53*	67/14
Cory Booker	*+40*	51/11	*+37*	49/12
Kamala Harris	*+32*	51/19	*+58*	64/6
Pete Buttigieg	*+24*	36/12	*+25*	36/11
Tom Steyer	*+15*	31/16	*+4*	21/17
Beto O'Rourke	*+9*	30/21	*+14*	32/18
Amy Klobuchar	*+11*	26/15	*+22*	32/10
Andrew Yang	*+8*	25/17	*−1*	13/14
Julián Castro	*+2*	22/20	*+21*	31/10
Tulsi Gabbard	*−4*	18/22	*+7*	20/13

Booker also continues to get strong net ratings (51% favorable to 11% unfavorable), although this has not translated to electoral support in the "horse race" question. Harris, on the other hand, has seen her ratings drop (51% favorable to 19% unfavorable) since the summer. Buttigieg (36% to 12%) and former Texas Rep. Beto O'Rourke (30% to 21%) remain about where they were in July.

Klobuchar (26% favorable to 15% unfavorable) and former cabinet secretary Julián Castro (22% to 20%) have seen their ratings decline since July. Of the remaining three candidates – all of whom have seen an uptick in name recognition since the summer – the net ratings for Steyer (31% to 16%) and Yang (25% to 17%) have improved while those for Hawaii Rep. Tulsi Gabbard (18% to 22%) have worsened.

Overall, 70% of likely voters say the candidate they back right now is the one they agree with the most on the issues. Just 8% say they tend to agree with another candidate more than the one they are currently backing. By comparison, 61% feel they are backing the most electable Democrat, while 13% say that another candidate in the field would actually be stronger against Trump. In a poll of likely New Hampshire voters conducted last month – in which Warren and Biden shared the lead – 69% said they were backing the candidate they were most aligned with and 52% said they felt their candidate choice was the strongest on electability.

The *Monmouth University Poll* was conducted by telephone from October 16 to 21, 2019 with 402 South Carolina voters who are likely to vote in the Democratic presidential primary in February 2020, out of 667 registered voters that were contacted for the poll. The question results in this release have a margin of error of +/- 4.9 percentage points. The poll was conducted by the Monmouth University Polling Institute in West Long Branch, NJ.

QUESTIONS AND RESULTS
(* Some columns may not add to 100% due to rounding.)

1.   If the Democratic primary election for president was today, would you vote for [*NAMES WERE ROTATED*]? [*If UNDECIDED:* If you had to vote for one of these candidates at this moment, who do you lean toward?]

TREND: *(with leaners)*	Oct. **2019**	July 2019
Joe Biden	**33%**	39%
Elizabeth Warren	**16%**	9%
Bernie Sanders	**12%**	10%
Kamala Harris	**6%**	12%
Tom Steyer	**4%**	2%
Pete Buttigieg	**3%**	5%
Cory Booker	**2%**	2%
Amy Klobuchar	**2%**	1%
Andrew Yang	**2%**	0%
Julián Castro	**1%**	<1%
John Delaney	**1%**	0%
Tulsi Gabbard	**1%**	<1%
Beto O'Rourke	**1%**	1%
Michael Bennet	**<1%**	1%
Tim Ryan	**<1%**	0%
Joe Sestak	**<1%**	0%
Marianne Williamson	**<1%**	0%
Steve Bullock	**0%**	0%
(VOL) Other	**<1%**	1%
(VOL) No one	**<1%**	<1%
(VOL) Undecided	**15%**	17%
(n)	***(402)***	*(405)*

2.   And who would be your second choice?

TREND:	Oct. 2019	July 2019
Elizabeth Warren	**19%**	10%
Joe Biden	**13%**	11%
Bernie Sanders	**11%**	13%
Kamala Harris	**7%**	16%
Pete Buttigieg	**5%**	4%
Cory Booker	**4%**	5%
Tom Steyer	**2%**	1%
Julián Castro	**1%**	0%
John Delaney	**1%**	<1%
Tulsi Gabbard	**1%**	<1%
Amy Klobuchar	**1%**	1%
Beto O'Rourke	**1%**	1%
Marianne Williamson	**1%**	0%
Andrew Yang	**1%**	<1%
Steve Bullock	**<1%**	<1%
Michael Bennet	**0%**	0%
Tim Ryan	**0%**	0%
Joe Sestak	**0%**	0%
(VOL) Other	**<1%**	<1%
(VOL) No one	**5%**	5%
(VOL) Undecided	**25%**	30%
(n)	*(402)*	*(405)*

[*QUESTIONS 3 & 4 WERE ROTATED*]

3.   When you think about the policy issues that are important to you, is the candidate you support now the one you tend to agree with the most on these issues, or is there another candidate running who you actually agree with more on these issues?

	Oct. 2019
My candidate is who I agree with the most	**70%**
Another candidate who I agree with more	**8%**
(VOL) Other candidate agree with equally	**2%**
(VOL) Don't know	**5%**
No candidate choice in Q1	**15%**
(n)	*(402)*

4.   When you think only about electability rather than the issues, is the candidate you support now the one you think has the best chance of beating Donald Trump in 2020, or is there another candidate running who you think would actually have a better chance of beating Trump?

	Oct. 2019
My candidate has best chance	**61%**
Another candidate has best chance	**13%**
(VOL) Other candidate has equal chance	**2%**
(VOL) Don't know	**9%**
No candidate choice in Q1	**15%**
(n)	*(402)*

5.   I'm going to read you the names of some people who are running for president in 2020. Please tell me if your general impression of each is favorable or unfavorable, or if you don't really have an opinion. If you have not heard of the person, just let me know. [*NAMES WERE ROTATED*]

	Favorable	Unfavor-able	No opinion	Not heard of	(n)
Former Vice President Joe Biden	**76%**	**12%**	**11%**	**0%**	**(402)**
-- July 2019	79%	9%	10%	1%	*(405)*
Vermont Senator Bernie Sanders	**66%**	**18%**	**13%**	**2%**	**(402)**
-- July 2019	67%	14%	16%	2%	*(405)*
Massachusetts Senator Elizabeth Warren	**66%**	**10%**	**17%**	**7%**	**(402)**
-- July 2019	67%	7%	16%	10%	*(405)*
Former Texas Congressman Beto O'Rourke	**30%**	**21%**	**29%**	**20%**	**(402)**
-- July 2019	32%	18%	28%	23%	*(405)*
California Senator Kamala Harris	**51%**	**19%**	**20%**	**10%**	**(402)**
-- July 2019	64%	6%	18%	13%	*(405)*
Minnesota Senator Amy Klobuchar	**26%**	**15%**	**34%**	**25%**	**(402)**
-- July 2019	32%	10%	28%	30%	*(405)*
South Bend, Indiana Mayor Pete Buttigieg	**36%**	**12%**	**30%**	**21%**	**(402)**
-- July 2019	36%	11%	28%	25%	*(405)*
New Jersey Senator Cory Booker	**51%**	**11%**	**26%**	**12%**	**(402)**
-- July 2019	49%	12%	25%	14%	*(405)*
Former cabinet secretary Julián Castro	**22%**	**20%**	**37%**	**21%**	**(402)**
-- July 2019	31%	10%	33%	27%	*(405)*
Hawaii Congresswoman Tulsi Gabbard	**18%**	**22%**	**34%**	**26%**	**(402)**
-- July 2019	20%	13%	33%	34%	*(405)*
Entrepreneur Andrew Yang	**25%**	**17%**	**33%**	**24%**	**(402)**
-- July 2019	13%	14%	34%	40%	*(405)*
Former hedge fund manager Tom Steyer	**31%**	**16%**	**32%**	**21%**	**(402)**
-- July 2019	21%	17%	28%	34%	*(405)*

[*QUESTIONS 6 & 7 WERE ROTATED*]

6.   How important is it to you that the Democrats nominate someone who supports impeaching Donald Trump – very important, somewhat important, not important, or are you not sure?

	Oct. 2019
Very important	**52%**
Somewhat important	**17%**
Not important	**20%**
Not sure	**11%**
(n)	*(402)*

7.   How important is it to you that the Democrats nominate someone who will build on the legacy of Barack Obama – very important, somewhat important, not important, or are you not sure?

	Oct. 2019
Very important	**49%**
Somewhat important	**29%**
Not important	**14%**
Not sure	**8%**
(n)	*(402)*

8.   How much have you heard about reports involving Joe Biden, his son, and activities in Ukraine – a lot, a little, or nothing at all?

	Oct. 2019
A lot	57%
A little	31%
Nothing at all	11%
(n)	*(402)*

9.   There are claims that Joe Biden pressured the Ukraine government to fire its prosecutor in order to keep that prosecutor from investigating the business activities of Biden's son. Do you think these claims are definitely true, probably true, probably not true, or definitely not true?

	Oct. 2019
Definitely true	1%
Probably true	12%
Probably not true	35%
Definitely not true	28%
(VOL) Don't know	12%
Not heard (from Q8)	*11%*
(n)	*(402)*

10.   Do you think these reports about Joe Biden's involvement in Ukraine have helped or hurt his ability to defeat Donald Trump next year, or have they had no impact?

	Oct. 2019
Helped	4%
Hurt	34%
No impact	44%
(VOL) Don't know	6%
Not heard (from Q8)	*11%*
(n)	*(402)*

11.   Do think Joe Biden's response to the Ukraine story has been too forceful, has not been forceful enough, or has been done with the right amount of force?

	Oct. 2019
Too forceful	6%
Not forceful enough	23%
Right amount of force	48%
(VOL) Don't know	13%
Not heard (from Q8)	*11%*
(n)	*(402)*

METHODOLOGY
The *Monmouth University Poll* was sponsored and conducted by the Monmouth University Polling Institute from October 16 to 21, 2019 with a statewide random sample of 667 South Carolina voters drawn from a list of registered voters who participated in a primary or general election in the past two election cycles (excluding those who have consistently voted in Republican primaries). This includes 233 contacted by a live interviewer on a landline telephone and 434 contacted by a live interviewer on a cell phone, in English. Results are based on 402 voters who are likely to vote in the Democratic presidential primary in February 2020. Monmouth is responsible for all aspects of the survey design, data weighting and analysis. The full sample is weighted for age, gender, race, education and party primary vote history based on state voter registration list information and U.S. Census information (CPS 2018 supplement). Data collection support provided by Braun Research (field) and Aristotle (voter sample). For results based on the sample of likely Democratic primary voters, one can say with 95% confidence that the error attributable to sampling has a maximum margin of plus or minus 4.9 percentage points (unadjusted for sample design). Sampling error can be larger for sub-groups (see table below). In addition to sampling error, one should bear in mind that question wording and practical difficulties in conducting surveys can introduce error or bias into the findings of opinion polls.

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DEMOGRAPHICS (weighted)

   Self-Reported Party
   77% Democrat
   23% None/other

   37% Male
   63% Female

   18% 18-34
   24% 35-49
   27% 50-64
   31% 65+

   35% White, non-Hispanic
   60% Black
    6% Other

   58% No degree
   42% 4 year degree
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MARGIN OF ERROR		unweighted sample	moe (+/-)
LIKELY DEMOCRATIC VOTERS		402	4.9%
SELF REPORTED PARTY ID	Democrat	307	5.6%
	None/other	92	10.2%
POLITICAL IDEOLOGY	Liberal	148	8.1%
	Moderate/Conservative	233	6.4%
GENDER	Male	162	7.7%
	Female	240	6.3%
AGE	18-49	136	8.4%
	50-64	130	8.6%
	65+	133	8.5%
RACE	White	140	8.3%
	Black	230	6.5%
COLLEGE GRADUATE	No degree	206	6.8%
	4 year degree	193	7.1%
INCOME	<$50K	167	7.6%
	$50K+	200	6.9%

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		TOTAL	PARTY ID		POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY		
			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64	65+
1. If the Democratic primary election for president was today, would you vote for...[READ LIST]? [with leaners] [18 names were read. Names appearing below received support from at least one poll respondent. See press release for full list of candidates]	Joe Biden	33%	36%	26%	25%	40%	32%	34%	23%	44%	40%
	Bernie Sanders	12%	12%	14%	20%	8%	14%	12%	20%	6%	8%
	Elizabeth Warren	16%	16%	18%	22%	14%	16%	16%	15%	16%	18%
	Beto ORourke	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	2%	0%	0%
	Kamala Harris	6%	7%	2%	6%	6%	4%	7%	9%	3%	4%
	Amy Klobuchar	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%	3%
	Pete Buttigieg	3%	3%	4%	4%	3%	6%	2%	2%	4%	5%
	Cory Booker	2%	1%	3%	3%	1%	2%	2%	3%	0%	1%
	Julián Castro	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%
	John Delaney	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	2%	0%	1%	0%	1%
	Tulsi Gabbard	1%	0%	4%	1%	1%	3%	0%	2%	0%	0%
	Andrew Yang	2%	0%	5%	1%	2%	3%	0%	3%	1%	0%
	Marianne Williamson	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
	Tim Ryan	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	0%
	Joe Sestak	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%
	Michael Bennet	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%
	Tom Steyer	4%	4%	6%	3%	5%	1%	6%	3%	7%	3%
	[VOL] Other	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	2%	0%
	[VOL] No one	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%
	Undecided	15%	15%	9%	11%	12%	12%	16%	14%	13%	15%

		RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME	
		White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50K+
1. If the Democratic primary election for president was today, would you vote for...[READ LIST]? [with leaners] [18 names were read. Names appearing below received support from at least one poll respondent. See press release for full list of candidates]	Joe Biden	28%	39%	38%	26%	33%	35%
	Bernie Sanders	13%	11%	14%	11%	17%	9%
	Elizabeth Warren	24%	11%	11%	24%	15%	19%
	Beto ORourke	2%	0%	0%	2%	0%	2%
	Kamala Harris	3%	8%	7%	5%	5%	5%
	Amy Klobuchar	3%	0%	1%	3%	0%	3%
	Pete Buttigieg	8%	1%	2%	5%	2%	5%
	Cory Booker	1%	3%	2%	2%	2%	2%
	Julián Castro	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%
	John Delaney	2%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%
	Tulsi Gabbard	3%	0%	2%	0%	1%	1%
	Andrew Yang	2%	1%	1%	3%	1%	2%
	Marianne Williamson	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%
	Tim Ryan	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%
	Joe Sestak	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%
	Michael Bennet	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%
	Tom Steyer	3%	5%	6%	2%	6%	4%
	[VOL] Other	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%
	[VOL] No one	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
	Undecided	6%	19%	15%	14%	14%	10%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID		POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY		
			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64	65+
2. And who would be your second choice?	Joe Biden	13%	13%	14%	14%	14%	13%	13%	14%	14%	10%
	Bernie Sanders	11%	14%	4%	11%	12%	10%	12%	13%	14%	7%
	Elizabeth Warren	19%	18%	23%	25%	17%	20%	19%	19%	19%	21%
	Beto ORourke	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%
	Kamala Harris	7%	6%	12%	4%	10%	8%	7%	7%	10%	5%
	Amy Klobuchar	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	0%	0%	3%
	Pete Buttigieg	5%	5%	3%	6%	4%	5%	5%	1%	5%	10%
	Cory Booker	4%	3%	7%	3%	5%	7%	3%	5%	5%	2%
	Julián Castro	1%	1%	3%	2%	1%	2%	0%	1%	1%	1%
	John Delaney	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%
	Tulsi Gabbard	1%	1%	3%	1%	2%	2%	1%	3%	1%	0%
	Andrew Yang	1%	1%	4%	0%	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%
	Marianne Williamson	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	0%	2%	0%	1%
	Steve Bullock	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%
	Tom Steyer	2%	3%	0%	3%	2%	3%	2%	2%	4%	1%
	[VOL] Other	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%
	[VOL] No one	5%	6%	5%	5%	5%	6%	5%	3%	5%	10%
	[VOL] Dont know	25%	26%	18%	22%	23%	20%	28%	24%	22%	29%

		RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME	
		White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50K+
2. And who would be your second choice?	Joe Biden	13%	13%	12%	15%	15%	13%
	Bernie Sanders	7%	14%	11%	13%	15%	9%
	Elizabeth Warren	28%	15%	17%	21%	16%	23%
	Beto ORourke	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%
	Kamala Harris	5%	9%	9%	5%	8%	8%
	Amy Klobuchar	3%	0%	0%	2%	0%	2%
	Pete Buttigieg	11%	2%	4%	6%	3%	7%
	Cory Booker	1%	6%	5%	2%	4%	3%
	Julián Castro	3%	0%	1%	1%	1%	2%
	John Delaney	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%
	Tulsi Gabbard	3%	0%	0%	3%	1%	2%
	Andrew Yang	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	2%
	Marianne Williamson	0%	2%	2%	0%	1%	1%
	Steve Bullock	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%
	Tom Steyer	1%	3%	2%	2%	1%	3%
	[VOL] Other	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
	[VOL] No one	6%	5%	7%	4%	6%	5%
	[VOL] Dont know	18%	29%	27%	22%	28%	19%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID		POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY	
			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64
3. When you think about the policy issues that are important to you, is the candidate you support now the one you tend to agree with the most on these issues, or is there another candidate running who you actually agree with more on these issues?	My candidate is who I agree with the most	70%	71%	73%	71%	74%	72%	69%	74%	71%
	Another candidate who I agree with more	8%	7%	11%	8%	7%	7%	8%	6%	11%
	(VOL) Other candidate agree with equally	2%	2%	2%	3%	1%	1%	2%	0%	3%
	[VOL] Dont know	5%	5%	5%	7%	5%	7%	4%	7%	2%
	[Q1] No vote choice	15%	15%	9%	11%	12%	12%	17%	14%	13%

		AGE 3-WAY	RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME	
		65+	White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50K+
3. When you think about the policy issues that are important to you, is the candidate you support now the one you tend to agree with the most on these issues, or is there another candidate running who you actually agree with more on these issues?	My candidate is who I agree with the most	66%	77%	68%	66%	77%	73%	74%
	Another candidate who I agree with more	8%	8%	7%	9%	5%	5%	10%
	(VOL) Other candidate agree with equally	3%	4%	1%	2%	1%	2%	2%
	[VOL] Dont know	7%	5%	4%	7%	3%	6%	4%
	[Q1] No vote choice	16%	6%	20%	15%	14%	14%	10%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID		POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY	
			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64
4. When you think only about electability rather than the issues, is the candidate you support now the one you think has the best chance of beating Donald Trump in 2020, or is there another candidate running who you think would actually have a better chanc	My candidate has best chance	61%	62%	64%	63%	64%	69%	57%	60%	65%
	Another candidate has best chance	13%	12%	16%	12%	14%	9%	15%	14%	15%
	(VOL) Other candidate has equal chance	2%	2%	4%	1%	3%	4%	1%	3%	2%
	[VOL] Dont know	9%	9%	6%	12%	7%	7%	10%	8%	5%
	[Q1] No vote choice	15%	15%	9%	11%	12%	12%	17%	14%	13%

		AGE 3-WAY	RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME	
		65+	White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50K+
4. When you think only about electability rather than the issues, is the candidate you support now the one you think has the best chance of beating Donald Trump in 2020, or is there another candidate running who you think would actually have a better chanc	My candidate has best chance	61%	66%	60%	63%	59%	64%	63%
	Another candidate has best chance	9%	17%	11%	12%	14%	12%	14%
	(VOL) Other candidate has equal chance	2%	3%	2%	1%	4%	3%	2%
	[VOL] Dont know	13%	8%	8%	9%	9%	7%	11%
	[Q1] No vote choice	16%	6%	20%	15%	14%	14%	10%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID		POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY		
			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64	65+
5A. [Please tell me if your general impression is favorable or unfavorable, or if you don't really have an opinion]: Former Vice President Joe Biden?	Favorable	76%	78%	74%	78%	80%	76%	77%	70%	84%	79%
	Unfavorable	12%	12%	15%	16%	11%	15%	11%	17%	8%	10%
	No opinion	11%	10%	12%	6%	9%	9%	12%	13%	7%	10%
	Not heard of	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%

		RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME	
		White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50K+
5A. [Please tell me if your general impression is favorable or unfavorable, or if you don't really have an opinion]: Former Vice President Joe Biden?	Favorable	72%	80%	76%	76%	76%	80%
	Unfavorable	24%	6%	10%	16%	10%	15%
	No opinion	3%	14%	14%	8%	14%	5%
	Not heard of	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID		POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY		
			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64	65+
5B. [Please tell me if your general impression is favorable or unfavorable, or if you don't really have an opinion]: Vermont Senator Bernie Sanders?	Favorable	66%	69%	63%	79%	62%	69%	65%	75%	65%	58%
	Unfavorable	18%	17%	21%	13%	22%	19%	17%	13%	18%	25%
	No opinion	13%	13%	15%	6%	15%	11%	15%	10%	18%	15%
	Not heard of	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	3%	3%	0%	2%

		RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME	
		White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50K+
5B. [Please tell me if your general impression is favorable or unfavorable, or if you don't really have an opinion]: Vermont Senator Bernie Sanders?	Favorable	59%	70%	65%	68%	65%	69%
	Unfavorable	36%	9%	15%	21%	15%	24%
	No opinion	5%	18%	16%	10%	19%	8%
	Not heard of	0%	3%	4%	1%	2%	0%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID		POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY		
			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64	65+
5C. [Please tell me if your general impression is favorable or unfavorable, or if you don't really have an opinion]: Massachusetts Senator Elizabeth Warren?	Favorable	66%	67%	66%	78%	64%	64%	67%	62%	71%	68%
	Unfavorable	10%	8%	16%	7%	12%	17%	6%	10%	10%	9%
	No opinion	17%	17%	18%	10%	19%	18%	17%	17%	16%	19%
	Not heard of	7%	8%	1%	6%	6%	1%	10%	11%	2%	4%

		RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME	
		White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50K+
5C. [Please tell me if your general impression is favorable or unfavorable, or if you don't really have an opinion]: Massachusetts Senator Elizabeth Warren?	Favorable	76%	61%	58%	78%	59%	76%
	Unfavorable	13%	8%	9%	10%	7%	13%
	No opinion	10%	22%	24%	8%	23%	11%
	Not heard of	0%	9%	9%	4%	11%	0%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID		POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY		
			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64	65+
5D. [Please tell me if your general impression is favorable or unfavorable, or if you don't really have an opinion]: Former Texas Congressman Beto O'Rourke?	Favorable	30%	29%	33%	38%	28%	37%	26%	28%	38%	26%
	Unfavorable	21%	20%	23%	22%	22%	26%	18%	22%	19%	21%
	No opinion	29%	29%	33%	26%	31%	27%	31%	23%	31%	38%
	Not heard of	20%	22%	11%	14%	20%	10%	25%	27%	12%	16%

		RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME	
		White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50K+
5D. [Please tell me if your general impression is favorable or unfavorable, or if you don't really have an opinion]: Former Texas Congressman Beto O'Rourke?	Favorable	43%	22%	27%	34%	22%	37%
	Unfavorable	29%	15%	19%	24%	18%	25%
	No opinion	23%	34%	30%	28%	32%	27%
	Not heard of	5%	28%	24%	14%	27%	10%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID		POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY		
			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64	65+
5E. [Please tell me if your general impression is favorable or unfavorable, or if you don't really have an opinion]: California Senator Kamala Harris?	Favorable	51%	54%	43%	61%	48%	56%	47%	46%	63%	47%
	Unfavorable	19%	15%	32%	18%	20%	20%	18%	22%	14%	20%
	No opinion	20%	20%	21%	18%	21%	19%	21%	21%	16%	23%
	Not heard of	10%	11%	4%	4%	11%	5%	14%	11%	8%	10%

		RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME	
		White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50K+
5E. [Please tell me if your general impression is favorable or unfavorable, or if you don't really have an opinion]: California Senator Kamala Harris?	Favorable	54%	49%	44%	59%	38%	61%
	Unfavorable	30%	12%	16%	23%	19%	23%
	No opinion	14%	24%	25%	15%	26%	14%
	Not heard of	2%	15%	15%	4%	17%	3%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID		POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY		
			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64	65+
5F. [Please tell me if your general impression is favorable or unfavorable, or if you don't really have an opinion]: Minnesota Senator Amy Klobuchar?	Favorable	26%	28%	22%	35%	24%	30%	24%	15%	31%	37%
	Unfavorable	15%	15%	15%	17%	13%	17%	13%	14%	22%	10%
	No opinion	34%	30%	47%	26%	38%	41%	29%	34%	30%	38%
	Not heard of	25%	27%	17%	21%	25%	11%	33%	37%	17%	15%

		RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME	
		White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50K+
5F. [Please tell me if your general impression is favorable or unfavorable, or if you don't really have an opinion]: Minnesota Senator Amy Klobuchar?	Favorable	41%	18%	19%	36%	18%	34%
	Unfavorable	18%	13%	17%	11%	16%	15%
	No opinion	33%	34%	35%	32%	36%	33%
	Not heard of	8%	35%	29%	21%	31%	18%

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			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64	65+
5G. [Please tell me if your general impression is favorable or unfavorable, or if you don't really have an opinion]: South Bend, Indiana Mayor Pete Buttigieg?	Favorable	36%	37%	37%	51%	31%	42%	33%	25%	43%	46%
	Unfavorable	12%	12%	16%	11%	13%	18%	9%	14%	10%	12%
	No opinion	30%	28%	40%	20%	35%	29%	31%	32%	28%	29%
	Not heard of	21%	24%	8%	18%	20%	11%	27%	28%	19%	12%

		RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME	
		White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50K+
5G. [Please tell me if your general impression is favorable or unfavorable, or if you don't really have an opinion]: South Bend, Indiana Mayor Pete Buttigieg?	Favorable	65%	21%	28%	47%	26%	47%
	Unfavorable	10%	13%	13%	11%	13%	13%
	No opinion	19%	36%	31%	29%	30%	30%
	Not heard of	5%	30%	28%	12%	30%	11%

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			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64	65+
5H. [Please tell me if your general impression is favorable or unfavorable, or if you don't really have an opinion]: New Jersey Senator Cory Booker?	Favorable	51%	52%	49%	62%	49%	56%	48%	46%	59%	52%
	Unfavorable	11%	10%	16%	10%	12%	16%	9%	11%	11%	12%
	No opinion	26%	24%	32%	21%	27%	26%	25%	26%	24%	28%
	Not heard of	12%	13%	4%	7%	12%	2%	18%	18%	6%	8%

		RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME	
		White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50K+
5H. [Please tell me if your general impression is favorable or unfavorable, or if you don't really have an opinion]: New Jersey Senator Cory Booker?	Favorable	56%	50%	47%	55%	44%	59%
	Unfavorable	16%	7%	12%	11%	13%	11%
	No opinion	21%	28%	25%	26%	28%	23%
	Not heard of	6%	14%	15%	8%	15%	8%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID		POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY		
			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64	65+
5I. [Please tell me if your general impression is favorable or unfavorable, or if you don't really have an opinion]: Former cabinet secretary Julián Castro?	Favorable	22%	21%	27%	28%	21%	31%	18%	19%	29%	22%
	Unfavorable	20%	20%	20%	19%	21%	23%	18%	14%	21%	26%
	No opinion	37%	37%	40%	35%	38%	37%	37%	40%	34%	37%
	Not heard of	21%	22%	13%	18%	20%	9%	27%	27%	16%	15%

		RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME	
		White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50K+
5I. [Please tell me if your general impression is favorable or unfavorable, or if you don't really have an opinion]: Former cabinet secretary Julián Castro?	Favorable	32%	18%	19%	28%	16%	29%
	Unfavorable	24%	17%	21%	19%	23%	18%
	No opinion	31%	40%	36%	39%	39%	37%
	Not heard of	13%	26%	25%	15%	22%	16%

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			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64	65+
5J. [Please tell me if your general impression is favorable or unfavorable, or if you don't really have an opinion]: Hawaii Congresswoman Tulsi Gabbard?	Favorable	18%	15%	28%	23%	16%	26%	13%	21%	20%	13%
	Unfavorable	22%	23%	17%	27%	20%	24%	20%	15%	23%	31%
	No opinion	34%	34%	37%	29%	36%	34%	34%	30%	38%	35%
	Not heard of	26%	28%	18%	21%	27%	16%	33%	34%	19%	22%

		RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME	
		White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50K+
5J. [Please tell me if your general impression is favorable or unfavorable, or if you don't really have an opinion]: Hawaii Congresswoman Tulsi Gabbard?	Favorable	25%	14%	16%	21%	17%	20%
	Unfavorable	32%	16%	18%	26%	17%	26%
	No opinion	31%	36%	36%	31%	35%	35%
	Not heard of	11%	35%	30%	22%	31%	20%

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			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64	65+
5K. [Please tell me if your general impression is favorable or unfavorable, or if you don't really have an opinion]: Entrepreneur Andrew Yang?	Favorable	25%	22%	36%	30%	24%	31%	22%	27%	29%	20%
	Unfavorable	17%	18%	15%	21%	16%	22%	14%	14%	19%	20%
	No opinion	33%	34%	33%	30%	36%	33%	34%	27%	34%	42%
	Not heard of	24%	25%	16%	20%	24%	14%	30%	32%	17%	18%

		RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME	
		White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50K+
5K. [Please tell me if your general impression is favorable or unfavorable, or if you don't really have an opinion]: Entrepreneur Andrew Yang?	Favorable	33%	21%	22%	29%	21%	31%
	Unfavorable	24%	13%	18%	16%	19%	17%
	No opinion	33%	35%	33%	34%	33%	34%
	Not heard of	10%	31%	26%	21%	27%	19%

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			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64	65+
5L. [Please tell me if your general impression is favorable or unfavorable, or if you don't really have an opinion]: Former hedge fund manager Tom Steyer?	Favorable	31%	32%	28%	34%	32%	32%	30%	21%	41%	35%
	Unfavorable	16%	16%	18%	20%	15%	21%	13%	16%	13%	18%
	No opinion	32%	30%	41%	27%	34%	33%	31%	32%	32%	34%
	Not heard of	21%	22%	13%	19%	20%	14%	26%	31%	14%	14%

		RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME	
		White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50K+
5L. [Please tell me if your general impression is favorable or unfavorable, or if you don't really have an opinion]: Former hedge fund manager Tom Steyer?	Favorable	31%	30%	30%	32%	26%	35%
	Unfavorable	25%	10%	14%	19%	14%	19%
	No opinion	32%	33%	32%	32%	35%	30%
	Not heard of	12%	27%	25%	17%	25%	16%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID		POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY		
			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64	65+
6. How important is it to you that the Democrats nominate someone who supports impeaching Donald Trump - very important, somewhat important, not important, or are you not sure?	Very important	52%	57%	38%	60%	47%	47%	55%	41%	56%	64%
	Somewhat important	17%	15%	23%	19%	17%	21%	14%	23%	15%	11%
	Not important	20%	16%	30%	17%	23%	23%	18%	27%	17%	12%
	Not sure	11%	11%	9%	5%	12%	8%	13%	8%	11%	13%

		RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME	
		White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50K+
6. How important is it to you that the Democrats nominate someone who supports impeaching Donald Trump - very important, somewhat important, not important, or are you not sure?	Very important	44%	57%	56%	46%	59%	47%
	Somewhat important	18%	17%	14%	21%	13%	21%
	Not important	29%	14%	15%	26%	15%	27%
	Not sure	9%	12%	15%	6%	13%	5%

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			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64	65+
7. How important is it to you that the Democrats nominate someone who will build on the legacy of Barack Obama - very important, somewhat important, not important, or are you not sure?	Very important	49%	56%	30%	58%	45%	48%	50%	41%	55%	58%
	Somewhat important	29%	26%	39%	28%	31%	29%	28%	37%	25%	21%
	Not important	14%	10%	25%	8%	17%	16%	12%	15%	13%	12%
	Not sure	8%	9%	6%	6%	7%	7%	9%	7%	8%	9%

		RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME	
		White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50K+
7. How important is it to you that the Democrats nominate someone who will build on the legacy of Barack Obama - very important, somewhat important, not important, or are you not sure?	Very important	42%	57%	52%	45%	47%	49%
	Somewhat important	33%	25%	27%	31%	32%	29%
	Not important	22%	8%	12%	15%	10%	19%
	Not sure	4%	10%	9%	8%	11%	3%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID		POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY		
			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64	65+
8. How much have you heard about reports involving Joe Biden, his son, and activities in Ukraine - a lot, a little, or nothing at all?	A lot	57%	57%	62%	64%	54%	62%	54%	43%	64%	71%
	A little	31%	31%	33%	27%	35%	32%	31%	42%	27%	21%
	Nothing at all	11%	12%	5%	10%	11%	6%	15%	15%	8%	7%

		RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME	
		White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50K+
8. How much have you heard about reports involving Joe Biden, his son, and activities in Ukraine - a lot, a little, or nothing at all?	A lot	74%	49%	52%	65%	51%	67%
	A little	23%	35%	34%	28%	35%	27%
	Nothing at all	4%	16%	14%	7%	15%	6%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID		POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY		
			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64	65+
9. There are claims that Joe Biden pressured the Ukraine government to fire its prosecutor in order to keep that prosecutor from investigating the business activities of Bidens son. Do you think these claims are definitely true, probably...?	Definitely true	1%	1%	2%	0%	2%	2%	1%	1%	0%	3%
	Probably true	12%	11%	14%	13%	12%	12%	12%	21%	7%	6%
	Probably not true	35%	35%	40%	35%	36%	38%	34%	32%	41%	36%
	Definitely not true	28%	29%	27%	33%	27%	33%	25%	16%	37%	36%
	[VOL] Dont know	12%	12%	12%	10%	11%	9%	14%	15%	7%	12%
	Not aware [Q8]	11%	12%	5%	10%	11%	6%	15%	15%	8%	7%

		RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME	
		White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50K+
9. There are claims that Joe Biden pressured the Ukraine government to fire its prosecutor in order to keep that prosecutor from investigating the business activities of Bidens son. Do you think these claims are definitely true, probably...?	Definitely true	1%	2%	2%	0%	0%	2%
	Probably true	14%	11%	12%	12%	11%	12%
	Probably not true	36%	35%	34%	37%	37%	36%
	Definitely not true	34%	24%	26%	32%	24%	33%
	[VOL] Dont know	12%	12%	12%	12%	13%	11%
	Not aware [Q8]	4%	16%	14%	7%	15%	6%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID		POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY		
			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64	65+
10. Do you think these reports about Joe Bidens involvement in Ukraine have helped or hurt his ability to defeat Donald Trump next year, or have they had no impact?	Helped	4%	5%	3%	5%	4%	6%	4%	2%	9%	3%
	Hurt	34%	31%	45%	43%	31%	40%	31%	39%	29%	33%
	No impact	44%	47%	36%	37%	48%	42%	45%	39%	47%	49%
	[VOL] Dont know	6%	5%	11%	4%	6%	6%	6%	5%	7%	7%
	Not aware [Q8]	11%	12%	5%	10%	11%	6%	15%	15%	8%	7%

		RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME	
		White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50K+
10. Do you think these reports about Joe Bidens involvement in Ukraine have helped or hurt his ability to defeat Donald Trump next year, or have they had no impact?	Helped	2%	6%	5%	3%	4%	4%
	Hurt	50%	22%	28%	42%	28%	42%
	No impact	39%	50%	47%	40%	46%	44%
	[VOL] Dont know	5%	5%	5%	8%	7%	4%
	Not aware [Q8]	4%	16%	14%	7%	15%	6%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID		POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY	
			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64
11. Do think Joe Bidens response to the Ukraine story has been too forceful, has not been forceful enough, or has been done with the right amount of force?	Too forceful	6%	5%	7%	5%	6%	8%	4%	7%	5%
	Not forceful enough	23%	22%	25%	25%	22%	27%	20%	20%	28%
	Right amount of force	48%	48%	48%	46%	50%	48%	47%	42%	51%
	[VOL] Dont know	13%	12%	14%	14%	10%	11%	14%	16%	8%
	Not aware [Q8]	11%	12%	5%	10%	11%	6%	15%	15%	8%

		AGE 3-WAY	RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME	
		65+	White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50K+
11. Do think Joe Bidens response to the Ukraine story has been too forceful, has not been forceful enough, or has been done with the right amount of force?	Too forceful	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%	7%	5%
	Not forceful enough	21%	22%	22%	24%	21%	24%	23%
	Right amount of force	53%	53%	46%	42%	56%	41%	56%
	[VOL] Dont know	14%	16%	11%	14%	11%	14%	10%
	Not aware [Q8]	7%	4%	16%	14%	7%	15%	6%