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## 1. Issues vs electability

What's more important to you—that Democrats nominate the presidential candidate whose positions on the issues comes closest to yours, or the candidate who seems most likely to defeat Donald Trump in November 2020?

*Asked of Democrats and Independents who lean toward Democrats*

	Registered voters		Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Yes	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Closest on the issues	38%	38%	42%	36%	49%	47%	33%	26%	34%	40%	47%	*
Most likely to win	50%	52%	47%	52%	41%	42%	53%	63%	54%	50%	40%	*
Not sure	12%	10%	10%	13%	10%	11%	13%	11%	12%	10%	13%	*
Totals	100%	100%	99%	101%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	*
Unweighted N	(428)	(370)	(175)	(253)	(102)	(96)	(142)	(88)	(249)	(83)	(71)	(25)

	Total	Party ID			2016 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Clinton	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Closest on the issues	38%	39%	38%	*	35%	*	42%	37%	35%	28%	50%	38%	37%
Most likely to win	50%	49%	57%	*	56%	*	41%	56%	61%	53%	45%	51%	50%
Not sure	12%	13%	5%	*	9%	*	17%	7%	4%	19%	5%	11%	13%
Totals	100%	101%	100%	*	100%	*	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(428)	(359)	(69)	(0)	(280)	(14)	(206)	(114)	(67)	(76)	(80)	(137)	(135)

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**2. Capable of winning the general**

Which of these candidates, if nominated, do you think are capable of winning the GENERAL ELECTION for president? Please select ALL THAT APPLY.

	Registered voters		Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Yes	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Michael Bennet	2%	3%	4%	1%	4%	2%	2%	2%	3%	4%	1%	3%
Joe Biden	45%	50%	39%	50%	34%	34%	52%	55%	45%	57%	36%	29%
Cory Booker	11%	12%	10%	12%	12%	11%	11%	10%	10%	16%	12%	9%
Steve Bullock	3%	3%	3%	2%	6%	2%	1%	2%	2%	5%	3%	3%
Pete Buttigieg	13%	16%	14%	12%	10%	10%	16%	15%	15%	10%	10%	4%
Julian Castro	5%	5%	4%	5%	3%	4%	5%	5%	4%	4%	9%	4%
John Delaney	2%	2%	2%	2%	3%	3%	1%	1%	2%	4%	4%	2%
Tulsi Gabbard	3%	4%	3%	3%	3%	4%	3%	2%	3%	1%	4%	5%
Kirsten Gillibrand	5%	6%	6%	4%	6%	5%	5%	5%	5%	4%	8%	1%
Mike Gravel	2%	1%	2%	1%	3%	2%	2%	0%	1%	3%	2%	4%
Kamala Harris	18%	22%	17%	19%	14%	17%	19%	22%	16%	28%	18%	19%
John Hickenlooper	3%	3%	3%	2%	3%	4%	3%	1%	3%	3%	2%	1%
Jay Inslee	3%	4%	4%	2%	3%	3%	3%	2%	3%	2%	3%	2%
Amy Klobuchar	7%	9%	9%	6%	6%	7%	8%	7%	8%	3%	6%	8%
Wayne Messam	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	3%	0%
Seth Moulton	2%	2%	3%	1%	2%	4%	2%	0%	2%	5%	2%	0%
Beto O'Rourke	15%	18%	15%	15%	13%	16%	16%	14%	15%	11%	20%	11%
Tim Ryan	4%	4%	5%	3%	6%	4%	4%	2%	4%	5%	5%	2%
Bernie Sanders	29%	31%	28%	30%	37%	33%	26%	19%	27%	39%	30%	30%
Eric Swalwell	3%	4%	4%	2%	4%	3%	4%	2%	3%	6%	2%	2%
Elizabeth Warren	19%	23%	18%	20%	21%	19%	20%	17%	20%	19%	16%	21%
Marianne Williamson	3%	3%	2%	3%	3%	4%	2%	2%	1%	6%	6%	3%
Andrew Yang	4%	4%	5%	2%	6%	4%	3%	2%	3%	4%	3%	8%
Unweighted N	(1,000)	(757)	(485)	(515)	(225)	(224)	(344)	(207)	(686)	(119)	(129)	(66)

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Unweighted N	(1,000)	(360)	(390)	(250)	(323)	(240)	(479)	(263)	(143)	(164)	(200)	(348)	(288)

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### 3. Planning to vote

Which comes closest to how you're planning to vote in next year's Democratic presidential primary?

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	Registered voters		Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Yes	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
I'm planning to vote for my favorite candidate	39%	43%	37%	41%	53%	37%	37%	31%	36%	50%	37%	*
I'm planning to vote for a candidate who isn't my favorite, but who has a better shot at winning	14%	14%	16%	12%	13%	11%	15%	15%	14%	13%	20%	*
I haven't made up my mind who I'm voting for yet	31%	34%	26%	34%	27%	30%	36%	29%	32%	28%	27%	*
I don't plan to vote in the Democratic primary	8%	3%	12%	4%	4%	12%	2%	14%	9%	6%	7%	*
Not sure	8%	5%	9%	7%	2%	9%	9%	10%	9%	4%	9%	*
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I'm planning to vote for my favorite candidate	39%	42%	26%	*	44%	*	39%	54%	22%	41%	45%	38%	37%
I'm planning to vote for a candidate who isn't my favorite, but who has a better shot at winning	14%	13%	20%	*	14%	*	13%	12%	21%	15%	12%	14%	13%
I haven't made up my mind who I'm voting for yet	31%	31%	33%	*	36%	*	30%	25%	39%	21%	32%	30%	37%

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I don't plan to vote in the													
Democratic primary	8%	7%	9%	*	2%	*	11%	1%	11%	11%	3%	10%	5%
Not sure	8%	7%	11%	*	4%	*	8%	8%	6%	12%	6%	7%	8%
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<b>Interviewing Dates</b>	May 9 - 10, 2019
<b>Target population</b>	U.S. citizens, aged 18 and over.
<b>Sampling method</b>	Respondents were selected from YouGov's opt-in Internet panel using sample matching. A random sample (stratified by gender, age, race, education, geographic region, and voter registration) was selected from the 2016 American Community Study. Voter registration was imputed from the November 2016 Current Population Survey Registration and Voting Supplement.
<b>Weighting</b>	The sample was weighted based on gender, age, race, education, and 2016 Presidential vote. The weights range from 0.359 to 1.929, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.278.
<b>Number of respondents</b>	1000
<b>Margin of error</b>	± 3.2% (adjusted for weighting)
<b>Survey mode</b>	Web-based interviews
<b>Questions not reported</b>	50 questions not reported.