

San Diego County Issues Barometer June 2022 Poll

GASOLINE PRICES

n=505 San Diego County Residents

Margin of Sampling Error +/- 4.3%

June 2-7, 2022

Weighted on turnout, party, ethnicity, gender, region, age

Hello is ____ there? Hi this is ____ with Competitive Edge Research, a national polling firm and we're calling the good folks of San Diego to ask your opinion on local issues. We are not selling anything. Most people find it interesting, and all your answers will be kept strictly confidential. Please let me begin by asking...

Q1. To help us better understand what's important in different areas of San Diego County, what is your ZIP code?

	%
North City	24.3
Central	20.2
East Suburban	15.2
North County East	14.2
North County West	13.2
South Suburban	12.1
East County	0.8

Q2. And in what year were you born?

	%
18-24	10.4
25-34	21.5
35-44	16.4
45-54	16.3
55-64	15.3
65-74	11.7
75+	8.3
Average	47.4

Q3. Do you think things in San Diego County are moving in the right direction or have they gotten off on the wrong track?

	%
Right direction, strongly	5.9
Right direction, somewhat	29.6
Wrong track, somewhat	17.4
Wrong track, strongly	28.8
Mixed (<i>Not read</i>)	3.2
Unsure (<i>Not read</i>)	14.2
Refused (<i>Not read</i>)	1.0

Q4. What is the most important issue facing people in San Diego County?

	%
Homelessness	22.1
Housing affordability	18.2
<i>Gasoline prices</i>	9.3
<i>Cost of living</i>	8.9
<i>Inflation</i>	6.4
Housing availability	3.5
Illegal immigration	3.1
Schools/Child welfare	3.1
<i>Economy/jobs</i>	2.9
Crime/Safety	2.6
Environment/Climate change	2.2
Bad political leadership	2.0
Overdevelopment/Overpopulation	1.7
Water scarcity	1.5
Taxes	1.4
Traffic	1.4
Other	4.4
Nothing/Don't know	5.4

Gasoline Prices

Q5. How much of a problem, if at all, has the price of gasoline been lately for you and your household? Is it...

	%
An extremely serious problem	36.8
A very serious problem	22.1
A somewhat serious problem	21.9
Not that serious of a problem	12.4
Or not a problem at all?	6.3
Unsure (<i>Not read</i>)	0.5

Q6. Do you think gas prices in San Diego County will be higher or lower a year from now, or will they be about the same?

	%
A lot higher	32.7
A little higher	20.5
A little lower	13.7
A lot lower	6.4
About the same	19.7
Unsure (<i>Not read</i>)	7.0

Q7. Which of the following most closely describes your main form of transportation?

	%
I drive a gas car and am not considering buying a hybrid or electric car	53.8
I drive a gas car and am considering buying a hybrid or electric car	27.2
I drive a hybrid car	8.8
I do not drive a car or ride a motorcycle	5.1
I drive a fully electric car	3.8
I ride a motorcycle	1.3

Q8. Have the State of California’s policies on gasoline had the effect of increasing the price of gas in California, decreasing the price of gas or do they have no effect on the price of gas?

	%
Increase by a lot	53.3
Increase by a little	15.6
Decrease by a little	0.8
Decrease by a lot	0.5
No effect	14.9
Unsure (<i>Not read</i>)	14.9

Q9. The price of gasoline in the United States has increased more than 50% during the past year. Who or what, if anything, is most to blame for the increase? (*Answer choices were randomized*)

	%
President Biden	31.7
Oil and gas companies	24.3
War in Ukraine or Vladimir Putin	17.0
Democrats in Congress	6.3
OPEC or foreign governments	4.9
Former President Trump	3.0
Republicans in Congress	2.0
None of the above (<i>Not read</i>)	1.9
Multiple (<i>Not read</i>)	4.8
Unsure (<i>Not read</i>)	4.1

Thanks. Now I have some demographic questions to ensure we have a representative sample...

Q20. Is your ethnic heritage mainly

	%
White or Caucasian	50.0
Hispanic or Latino	28.0
Asian or Pacific Islander	11.0
Black or African American	4.0
Native American	1.0
Mixed	6.0

Thanks for your time and your opinion counts, goodbye.

21.	SEX		%
	Female		50.0
	Male		50.0
22.	LANGAUGE		%
	English		97.0
	Spanish		3.0
23.	REGISTERED VOTER		%
	Yes		82.2
	No		17.8