

**2020 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL  
WAVE 65 April 2020  
APRIL 7-12, 2020  
N=4,917**

**ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE****ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED****RANDOMIZE ECON1-ECON1B IN BLOCK (WITH ECON 1 ALWAYS FIRST) AND PERSFNC-PERSNFCB IN BLOCK (WITH PERSFNC ALWAYS FIRST)****ASK ALL:**

ECON1 Thinking about the nation's economy...  
How would you rate economic conditions in this country today?

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Only fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>No answer</u>
Apr 7-12, 2020	4	19	38	38	1
Jan 6-19, 2020	16	42	33	9	*
Sep 16-29, 2019	10	46	35	8	*
July 22-Aug 4, 2019	14	43	32	11	*
Nov 7-16, 2018	13	46	31	9	1
Sep 24-Oct 7, 2018	12	45	32	11	*
Feb 28-Mar 12, 2017	2	37	43	17	0
Oct 25-Nov 8, 2016	2	30	47	21	*
Apr 29-May 27, 2014	1	18	50	30	1

**ASK ALL:**

ECON1B A year from now, do you expect that economic conditions in the country as a whole will be...

	<u>Better</u>	<u>Worse</u>	<u>About the same as now</u>	<u>No answer</u>
Apr 7-12, 2020	55	22	22	1
Jan 6-19, 2020	29	26	45	1
Sep 16-29, 2019	20	32	48	*
July 22-Aug 4, 2019 <sup>1</sup>	28	28	44	*

**RANDOMIZE ECON1-ECON1B IN BLOCK (WITH ECON 1 ALWAYS FIRST) AND PERSFNC-PERSNFCB IN BLOCK (WITH PERSFNC ALWAYS FIRST)****ASK ALL:**

PERSFNC Thinking about your personal finances...  
How would you rate your own personal financial situation? Would you say you are in...

<u>Apr 7-12 2020</u>		<u>July 22- Aug 4 2019</u>
7	Excellent shape	10
40	Good shape	40
37	Only fair shape	34
16	Poor shape	15
*	No answer	1

<sup>1</sup> In the survey conducted from July 22- August 4, 2019, response options for this question were not randomized.

**ASK ALL:**

PERSFNCB

A year from now, do you expect that the financial situation of you and your family will be...

Apr 7-12 <u>2020</u>		July 22- Aug 4 <u>2019</u>
42	Better	43
12	Worse	8
46	About the same as now	48
*	No answer	1

**ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED****ASK FORM 1 [N=2,449]:**

COVID\_LAST

How long do you think the economic problems resulting from the coronavirus outbreak will last?

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9	1 to 3 months
19	4 to 6 months
32	More than 6 months but less than a year
39	A year or more
1	No answer

**ADDITIONAL QUESTION PREVIOUSLY RELEASED****ASK ALL:**

COVID\_ASSIST

As you may know, in response to the coronavirus outbreak Congress passed a bill that Donald Trump signed into law providing \$2 trillion in economic aid to businesses, individuals and state and local governments.

All in all, do you think this was the right thing or the wrong thing for the federal government to do?

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88	Right thing
11	Wrong thing
1	No answer

**ASK ALL:**

COVID\_2BILL Do you think it will be necessary for the president and Congress to pass another bill to provide more economic assistance?

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77	Yes, another bill will be necessary
20	No, another bill will NOT be necessary
2	No answer

**ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED****ASK ALL:**

Next,

COVID\_AIDGOV Thinking about some different groups and the federal government's aid package, how much do you think it will help each of the following groups? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

	<u>A</u>	<u>A fair</u>	<u>Not</u>	<u>Not</u>	<u>No</u>
	<u>great deal</u>	<u>amount</u>	<u>too much</u>	<u>at all</u>	<u>answer</u>
<b>ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=2,449]</b>					
a. Small businesses					
Apr 7-12, 2020	24	47	26	3	*
b. Unemployed people					
Apr 7-12, 2020	30	38	28	4	*
<b>ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N= 2,468]</b>					
c. Large businesses					
Apr 7-12, 2020	35	42	17	4	2
d. Self-employed people					
Apr 7-12, 2020	16	32	40	10	1
<b>ASK ALL</b>					
e. State and local governments					
Apr 7-12, 2020	17	50	27	4	1
f. You and your household					
Apr 7-12, 2020	14	31	39	15	*

**ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE****ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED**

**ASK ALL:**

PARTY In politics today, do you consider yourself a:

**ASK IF INDEP/SOMETHING ELSE (PARTY=3 or 4) OR MISSING:**PARTYLN As of today do you lean more to...<sup>2</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>
28	29	29	13	1	17	22

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<sup>2</sup> Party and PartyIn asked in a prior survey.