AAN commissioned the Tarrance Group and American Viewpoint to conduct a battleground survey of registered voters in 51 battleground Congressional districts.

Interviews were conducted June 22nd - 29th, 2021.

The margin of error for the full sample (n=1009) is +/- 3.1% at the 95% confidence level.

n=345 interviews were conducted with a cell phone sample of those who cannot be reached on a landline, with n=325 conducted on a landline. The remaining n=339 interviews were conducted online with a panel of voters matched back to the voter file.
The Economy and Inflation
Voters’ Concerns about The Economy Are Significant

How worried or concerned would you be about each issue: extremely worried, very worried, somewhat worried, or not at all worried?

- **Rising Cost of Living**: 53% Extremely/Very, 34% Somewhat, 88% Worried
- **Inflation**: 50% Extremely/Very, 35% Somewhat, 86% Worried
- **Rising Gas Prices**: 49% Extremely/Very, 30% Somewhat, 79% Worried
- **Impending Tax Increases**: 47% Extremely/Very, 26% Somewhat, 73% Worried
Majorities Agree Prices Are Skyrocketing at Their Expense

**Do you agree or disagree with the following statement:**

*Prices on everything from gas to groceries to even lumber are skyrocketing. Inflation is hitting hard-working middle-class families the hardest.*

- **Overall:** 76% (53% Strongly)
- **Middle-Class Voters:** 82% (56% Strongly)
- **Independents:** 69% (48% Strongly)

**Agree** | **Disagree**
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Overall | 76% | 17%
Middle-Class Voters | 82% | 12%
Independents | 69% | 22%
Voters Are Concerned About “Democrat Spending Proposals That Could Cause Inflation”

How worried or concerned would you be about: “Democrat spending proposals that could cause inflation”

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Voters Blame Recent Government Spending for Inflation, Especially Middle-Class Voters

Do you agree or disagree with the following statement:
The recent massive increase in government spending is the primary cause of inflation, driving up the cost of living.

- **Overall**: 53% Agree (34% Strongly)
  - Disagree: 35%

- **Middle-Class Voters**: 59% Agree (37% Strongly)
  - Disagree: 31%

- **Independents**: 47% Agree (28% Strongly)
  - Disagree: 37%
Voters who are Concerned about Inflation caused by Government Spending Are Supporting a Republican on the Generic Ballot

Generic Congressional Ballot among voters who are concerned about the following: “Democrat spending proposals that could cause inflation”

All Voters who Are Concerned

- 84% Vote Republican
- 10% Vote Democrat

Independents who Are Concerned

- 65% Vote Republican
- 16% Vote Democrat
Voters Believe Expanded Unemployment Benefits are a Drag on Economic Recovery & Labor Market

Do you agree or disagree with the following statement:

Massive new government spending programs that increased unemployment benefits are hurting the economic recovery. It is causing labor shortages, because many workers are paid more to stay unemployed than they would if they returned to work.
The federal government gave states extra money to increase payments to people who are unemployed due to COVID. 

Please tell me which statement comes closest to your own views on this policy:

Some people say these payments are needed for people still in economic trouble, or who can’t return to work because there is not enough childcare available yet.

Other people say these extra payments provide too many workers with an incentive to remain unemployed since some workers can make as much or more on unemployment as they could while working.

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Voters Oppose Potential Tax Hikes On Small Biz.
6 in 10 Say Job Growth Would Stall.

Do you agree or disagree with the following statement:
Congress’s proposed tax increase on small businesses will kill job growth just as many of these small businesses are recovering from COVID.

Overall
- Agree: 58% (40% Strongly)
- Disagree: 30%

Middle-Class Voters
- Agree: 63% (44% Strongly)
- Disagree: 28%

Independents
- Agree: 55% (35% Strongly)
- Disagree: 29%
Other Concerns
Voters Side with Conservatives over Liberals on Crime and Standing with Law Enforcement

Do you agree or disagree with the following statement:

Even though crime is increasing in many cities around the country due to fewer resources for police, many liberals in Congress are calling for further cuts to police budgets and even defunding the police. We should stand with law enforcement who keep us safe, not defund them.

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Do you agree or disagree with the following statement:

There is a “crisis” at our Southern border with the influx of illegal immigrants and the Biden Administration is unprepared and not taking this situation seriously enough.

Voters Believe the Biden Administration is not Doing Enough to Address the Border Crisis
1. The environment is stable from the last survey in April and Speaker Pelosi remains toxic to the American public.

2. Conservatives have clear winning arguments over liberals on economic issues and concerns. Rising prices and inflation are the cornerstone of this economic argument, with a secondary element focused on the labor shortage due to the Democratic-pushed extended unemployment benefits. A continued push for tax increases to pay for far-left liberal programs should only further elevate our economic arguments.

3. When it comes to the issue of crime, the crisis at the border is clearly a motivating issue for conservatives. A much wider audience is sympathetic to the impact cuts to police budgets are having and will have to the public safety in their own communities.