July 2022

### ParentsTogether: Finding a Families First Narrative

Round 2 Findings



Strategic Goal: Unite and mobilize families and those who care about them, including candidates and electeds, to **support and demand** a Families First Agenda

#### **Research Goals**

- Uncover the values, emotions, and internalized narratives of Americans as they relate to families and raising children in America
- Identify the most resonant messaging pathway to unite and mobilize families and those who care about them to demand a Families First Agenda

#### Sample

- Registered Voters, Nationally representative
- n = 12,078
- Fielded June 28 July 7, 2022



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#### **Key Takeaways**

1

Our messages outperform the opposition, but not by a large margin.

Among parents currently raising children, 70% say the Families First Agenda messages reflect their beliefs somewhat or very well (41% say "very well"). 62% of parents say the same of the parental choice message (38% say "very well").

2

By a small margin, messages wrapped in a "Love" value outperform those that emphasize "Community."

This is consistent with first round open listening findings that showed love & care were the most top-of-mind values when thinking about good parents and one's identity as a parent.

3

More voters say some politicians standing in the way of families thriving want to "distract" and "divide" us.

Voters also clearly prefer the version of this villain statement that includes references to helping the profits of big corporations. 4

Meanwhile, saying some politicians are "making parents blame themselves" is effective in specific contexts.

5

After *Roe*, Soft Biden parents have reproductive freedom top-of-mind.

Latinx voters (of all ages and vote choices) tended to prefer messages with "Blame" and there is evidence that after reading the "Blame" frame, non-parents are less likely to agree with the Parental Choice message.

Soft Biden parents currently raising children, a group which is more likely to be younger, female, Black or Latinx, and likely to feel demobilized in upcoming elections, is highly concerned about the recent reversal of *Roe v Wade*.



In Round #1, we identified story elements that resonate strongly. In this second round, we tested four messages, combining those elements in different ways.





#### We varied two values frames & two villain statements.

#### 1: Community + Blame

Families and kids do best when we have each others' backs — nobody should have to go it alone.

Yet today, across America, parents are struggling: they're worrying about how to pay for rent, groceries, and childcare, how to keep their kids safe, and how to be present for the most precious moments.

Too often, parents are left feeling like these struggles are all their fault.

It shouldn't be this hard, and it doesn't need to be. But some politicians want parents to keep blaming themselves for these problems so parents won't come together to demand that our leaders step up and solve them.

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#### 3: Love + Blame

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#### **Summary: Message Test**

#### Big Picture: All Messages

- + Support for the values, experiences, and policies described in our messages is high, but so is support for the idea of parental choice. Data shows that parents don't necessarily find the views in conflict with one another, and inoculating against this narrative remains a challenge.
- + That said, our messages do outperform the parental choice message with voters currently raising children.
- + We see more similarities in how our four messages performed than differences
   - all four elements do have strengths.

#### Love \*Recommendation

- + Voters, across the board, are more likely to say "Love" messages reflect their beliefs than "Community."
- "Love" messages inspire less inhibiting emotions than "Community" (which inspires more sadness).
- + Soft Trump voters are specifically much more likely to say "Love" messages reflect their beliefs than "Community."
- + Non-parents (and specifically Soft Trump voters) are slightly more likely to support the Families First Agenda after "Love" messages. (Parents currently raising children are highly likely to support the FFA regardless of which message they saw.)

#### Community

more Black & Latinx voters say they are "somewhat likely" to share the messages with "Community" (than "Love") — though this difference is mostly driven by older and Trump Latinx voters, and older Black voters

+ There is moderate evidence

#### **Divide**\*Recommendation

- + In forced choice questions, nearly all groups of voters are clearly more likely to say "Divide" better describes the villain's motivation than "Blame" (and prefer when "Divide" references corporations).
- + Voters, across the board, are slightly more likely to say they'd share the "Divide" messages.
- + Non-parents (and specifically Soft Trump voters) are slightly more likely to support the FFA after "Divide" messages.
- + Note: Latinx voters may be less likely than other voters to agree with "big corporations" characterized as the villain, aligning with prior research.

#### **Blame**

- + While Latinx voters choose the "Divide" motivation framing in the forced choice, there is moderate evidence that the full messages with "Blame" better reflect their beliefs and they'd be more likely to share "Blame."
- + While parents' views don't "move" much on the subject, there is strong evidence that after reading the "Blame" frame, non-parents are less likely to agree with the Parental Choice message.
- + While parents currently raising children clearly choose the "Divide" motivation in the forced choice, they are the group MOST likely to choose "Blame," indicating that something about the Blame framing resonates authentically with the lived experience of those raising children.

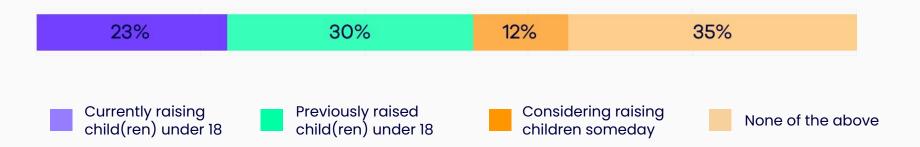


# Segment Profiles



#### **Sample Breakdown:** Parent Status

**[Parent Status]** To better understand your perspective, we'd like to know a little more about you and your family. Which of the following, if any, describe you? (Closed)



Data includes an oversample of parents currently raising children under 18. Data has been weighted by gender, race, age, education, 2020 presidential vote choice, and parent status to be representative of the population of US registered voters.



#### Currently Raising Children Under 18



#### <u>Gender</u>

52% Women 47% Men



#### Race

70% Non-Hispanic White 13% Black 13% Hispanic/ Latinx



#### <u>Urbanicity</u>

36% City 33% Suburb 13% Small town 18% Rural

### 23% of registered voters



#### **Income**

14% <\$25k 24% \$25k - \$49k 19% \$50k - \$74k 15% \$75k - \$99k 16% \$100k - \$149k 9% \$150k+



#### <u>Aqe</u>

23% 18-29 29% 30-39 24% 40-49 18% 50-64 7% 65+



#### **Education**

39% High school or less 21% Some college 39% College



#### 2020 Vote Choice

29% Strong Biden 20% Soft Biden 11% Soft Trump 27% Strong Trump 2% Other candidate

10% Did not vote 1% Prefer not to say



#### **Other Identities**

36% Single parent

12% Stay at home parent

16% Grandparent

12% Caregiver to elderly parents or relative

11% Caregiver to someone with special needs



#### Previously Raised Children

### 30% of registered voters



#### Gender

49% Women 50% Men



#### Race

86% Non-Hispanic White 6% Black 5% Hispanic/ Latinx



#### <u>Urbanicity</u>

19% City 44% Suburb 14% Small town 23% Rural



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25% Strong Biden 16% Soft Biden 18% Soft Trump 35% Strong Trump 1% Other candidate

5% Did not vote 0% Prefer not to say



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15% Single parent

3% Stay at home parent

62% Grandparent

10% Caregiver to elderly parents or relative

6% Caregiver to someone with special needs



#### Haven't Raised Children

### 47% of registered voters



#### , <u>Gender</u>

54% Women 45% Men



#### Race

64% Non-Hispanic White 11% Black 10% Hispanic/ Latinx



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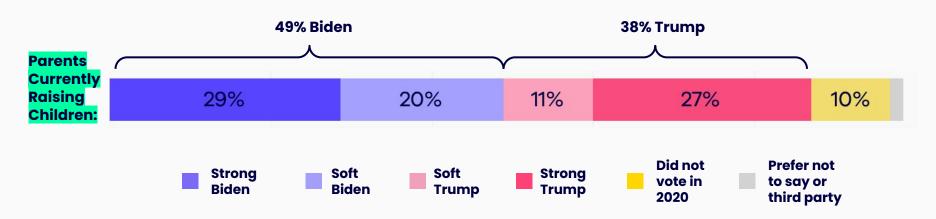
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## We'll use 2020 vote choice and enthusiasm to understand ideological differences between parents currently raising children.

[2020 Vote Choice] Who did you vote for in the 2020 presidential election? (Closed)

[Strong / Soft Support] Did you strongly support [Joe Biden / Donald Trump] or have mixed feelings about supporting him? (Closed)





#### **Currently Raising Children: Vote Choice**

#### **Strong Biden**

(29% of currently raising children)



#### <u>Gender</u>

43% Women **57% Men** 



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#### Urbanicity 55% City

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#### Race

67% Non-Hispanic White

13% Hispanic/Latinx 16% Black



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#### Education

28% High school or less 16% Some college **56% College** 



(20% of currently raising children)



#### Gender 59% Women

40% Men



#### Income

11% <\$25k 20% \$25k - \$49k 25% \$50k - \$74k

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#### **Urbanicity**

34% City

#### 44% Suburb

9% Small town 13% Rural



#### Race

57% Non-Hispanic White 15% Hispanic/Latinx 20% Black



#### Age

29% 18-29

26% 30-39 24% 40-49 16% 50-64 6% 65+



#### **Education**

29% High school or less **23% Some college** 

48% College



#### **Currently Raising Children: Vote Choice**

#### **Soft Trump**

(11% of currently raising children)



#### Gender 55% Women

45% Men



#### <u>Income</u>

10% <\$25k 23% \$25k - \$49k 24% \$50k - \$74k 19% \$75k - \$99k 15% \$100k - \$149k 7% \$150k+



#### **Urbanicity**

21% City 36% Suburb 21% Small town 22% Rural



#### Race

81% Non-Hispanic White 11% Hispanic/Latinx 3% Black



20% 18-29 27% 30-39 23% 40-49 23% 50-64 8% 65+



#### Education

41% High school or less 22% Some college 37% College

#### **Strong Trump**

(27% of currently raising children)



#### **Gender**

51% Women 49% Men



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83% Non-Hispanic White 10% Hispanic/Latinx 3% Black



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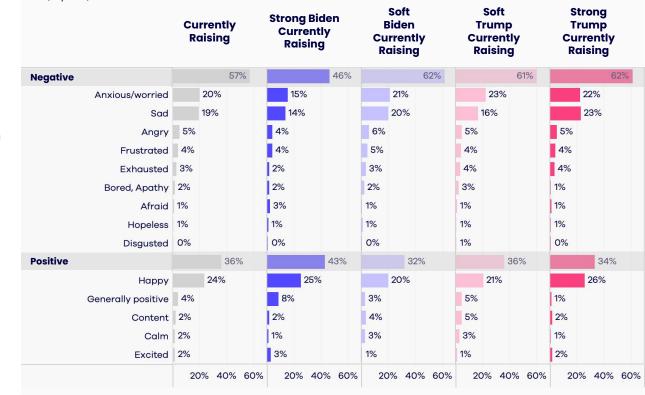


### Messaging Environment



**Parents currently** raising children mentioned feeling mostly negative emotions in the prior two weeks. Soft Biden, Soft Trump, & Strong **Trump parents** mentioned the most negative emotions.

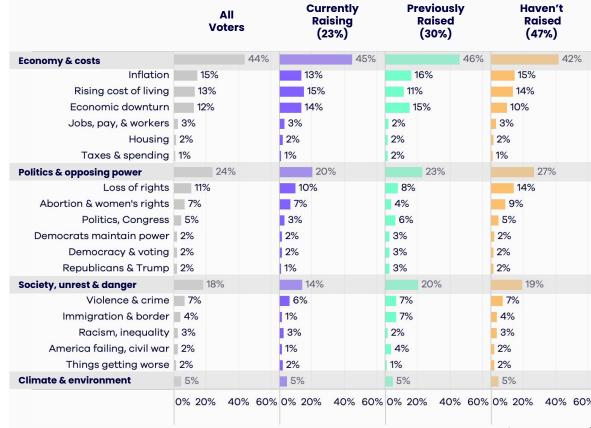
**[Personal emotion]** In the past two weeks, what <u>emotion</u> have you felt most often? (Open)





All voters, regardless of parent status, cite "economy & costs" (especially rising costs of living) as their biggest worry for government to address.

**[Top worry]** When you think about our country's future, what <u>single thing</u> are you most worried about that you <u>wish the government would do more to address?</u> (Open)





**Among those** currently raising children, Trump voters are more likely than Biden voters to mention rising costs. Soft Biden voters are more likely than other groups to mention loss of abortion rights.

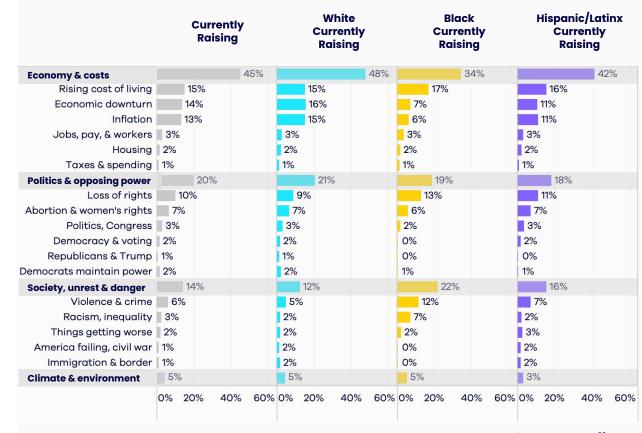
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Economy & costs	45%	32%	40%	60%	58%
Rising cost of living	15%	9%	12%	15%	21%
Economic downturn	14%	10%	13%	20%	17%
Inflation	13%	9%	11%	23%	19%
Jobs, pay, & workers	3%	3%	4%	3%	3%
Housing	2%	2%	1%	2%	3%
Taxes & spending	1%	0%	2%	2%	1%
Politics & opposing power	20%	22%	28%	17%	15%
Loss of rights	10%	11%	18%	6%	3%
Abortion & women's rights	7%	7%	12%	5%	3%
Politics, Congress	3%	3%	4%	3%	3%
Democracy & voting	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%
Democrats maintain power	2%	0%	0%	3%	4%
Republicans & Trump	1%	2%	1%	0%	1%
Society, unrest & danger	14%	13%	15%	10%	14%
Violence & crime	6%	7%	6%	5%	6%
Racism, inequality	3%	3%	5%	1%	1%
Things getting worse	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%
America failing, civil war	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%
Immigration & border	1%	0%	0%	1%	4%
Climate & environment	5%	8%	6%	2%	2%
	0% 50%	0% 50%	0% 50%	0% 50%	0% 50% 19



**Among those** currently raising children, White and Latinx voters are more likely to mention worries about cost of living, while Black parents are more likely to mention violence & crime.

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#### In their own words: Top Worry

#### Worse economy & higher costs (44%)

"Inflation. People are going to **starve** if the cost of food doesn't improve. Everyone I know is struggling financially." - Currently Raising Children, Woman, White, Soft Trump

"The financial crisis. We make too much money for assistance but the costs of everything rises, we have 5 kids, and are scared." - Currently Raising Children, Woman, White, Soft Biden

"Our crumbling economy and the rise of homelessness; as the cost of living is not achievable on a single income." - Currently Raising Children, Woman, Hispanic/Latinx, Did Not Vote

"Rising costs for people on fixed incomes." -Currently Raising Children, Woman, White, Strong Trump

"I'm worried that families will become poor because of all of these prices going up."- Not a Parent, Woman, Black, Soft Biden

#### Politics & opposing political power (24%)

"The government! Congress! They have gotten out of control. People can't afford to make a living working full time. People's rights are being violated, other people's rights aren't being protected." - Currently Raising Children, Woman, Black, Strong Biden

"I wish the government leaders would back off from extremist views and realize there is an in between view on every issue. Maybe lawmakers need to take pay cuts and put in term limits." -Currently Raising Children, Male, Hispanic/Latinx, Strong Trump

"The fact that **Democrats** are trying to force their into socialism. This needs to STOP if we are to have democracy in this country." - Previously Raised Children, Man, White, Strong Trump

"Worried about **Corruptness of Republicans**, Put a stop to Trump and people like him that search to spread false theories." - Previously Raised Children, Non-Binary, Hispanic/Latinx, Soft Biden

#### Society, unrest & danger getting worse (18%)

"Everyone being treated equally. I have a female child, a disabled child and as of right now I fear for their future." - Currently Raising Children, Non-Binary, Hispanic/Latinx, Soft Biden

"The fact of the **growing divisiveness** between so many factions in our country." -Haven't Raised Children, Man, Black, Soft Biden

"Our future as a country as a whole. We are more **divided** with **hate** and **forced fear** than in my soon to be 60 years of life." - Previously Raised Children, Man, White, Soft Trump

"The future of our country is moving in the wrong direction. I am most worried about the qun laws." - Haven't Raised Children, Female, Black, Strong Biden

"Our border and illegal immigrants and drugs, and potential terrorist using it to get in to our country". - Previously Raised Children, Woman, White, Strong Trump Confidential

### Message Performance



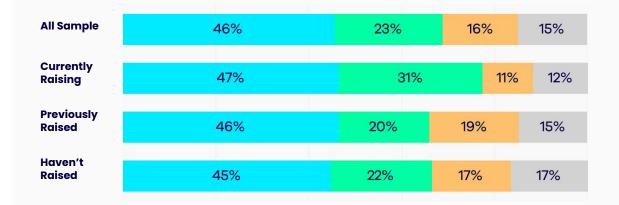
A clear plurality of all voters (regardless of parent status) says that politicians "distracting & dividing us" better describes the motivation of politicians standing in the way of helping families.

**[Villain framing - motivation]** Which of the following best describes who is standing in the way of policies that would help families (like the child tax credit, making social media platforms safer, funding our schools, affordable childcare, and paid family leave)? (Closed)

[DIVISION] A handful of politicians who want to distract us from the solutions that would help by intentionally creating conflicts in our schools and online to divide us

[BLAME] A handful of politicians who want parents to keep blaming themselves for these problems, so families don't come together and demand that our leaders step up and solve them

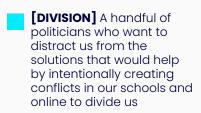


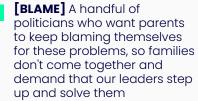




Across vote choice, parents say "distracting & dividing us" better describes the motivation of politicians standing in the way of helping families. Soft Biden parents are the group most likely to select "blame themselves."

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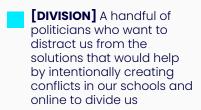


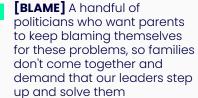




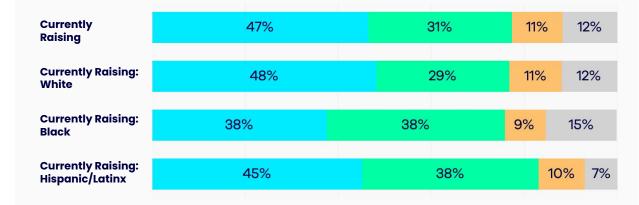
Across ethnicity, parents say "distracting & dividing us" better describes the motivation of politicians standing in the way of helping families, but the two framings are tied among Black parents.

**[Villain framing - motivation]** Which of the following best describes who is standing in the way of policies that would help families (like the child tax credit, making social media platforms safer, funding our schools, affordable childcare, and paid family leave)? (Closed)











A clear plurality (1 in 2) of voters says the statement that blames corporations better describes the motivation of politicians standing in the way of helping families.

**[Villain fine tune - corp]** Which of the following best describes who is standing in the way of policies that would help families (like the child tax credit, making social media platforms safer, funding our schools, affordable childcare, and paid family leave)? (Closed)

- [CORP] A handful of politicians who want to distract us from the solutions that would help by intentionally creating conflicts in our schools and online to divide us all to keep themselves in power and protect the profits of the big corporations that fund their campaigns
- [NO CORP] A handful of politicians who want to distract us from the solutions that would help by intentionally creating conflicts in our schools and online to divide us all to keep themselves in power



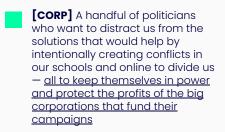


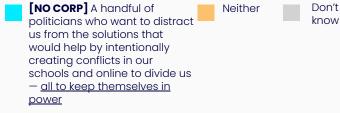
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**Soft Biden parents** currently raising children are the most likely group of parents to say the the statement that blames corporations better describes the motivation of politicians standing in the way of helping families.

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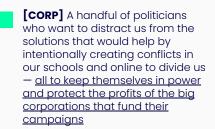


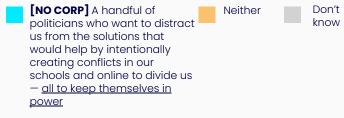




While a plurality still chooses the motivation framing with corporations, **Latinx parents** currently raising children are the most likely group to select the version without corporations.

**[Villain fine tune - corp]** Which of the following best describes who is standing in the way of policies that would help families (like the child tax credit, making social media platforms safer, funding our schools, affordable childcare, and paid family leave)? (Closed)



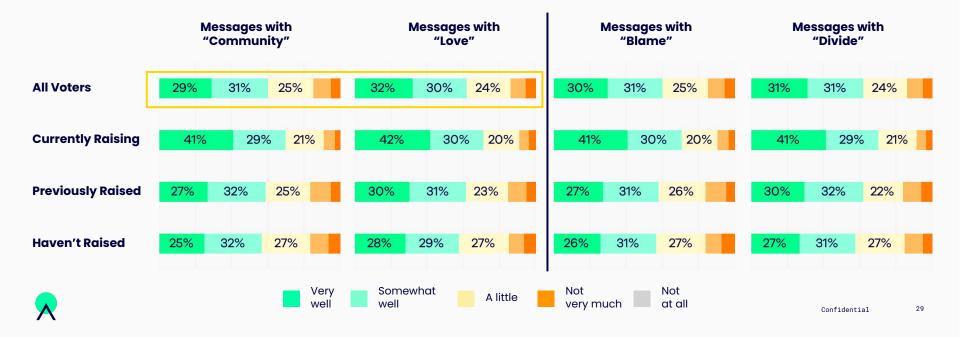






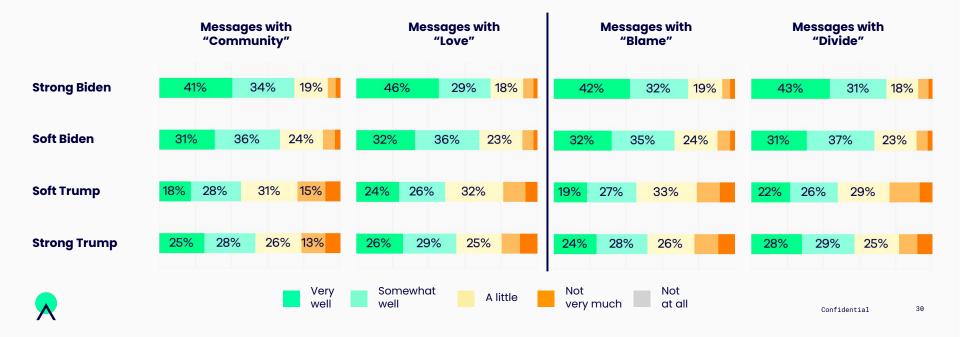
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[Msg Reflect Belief] How well does this message reflect what you personally believe? (Closed)



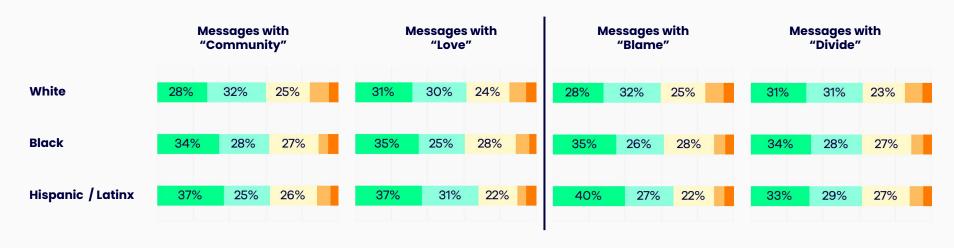
# Messages with "Love" outperform "Community" specifically among Strong Biden & Soft Trump. Messages with "Divide" outperform "Blame" among Trump voters.

[Msg Reflect Belief] How well does this message reflect what you personally believe? (Closed)



#### Latinx voters are more likely to say that messages with "Blame" reflect their beliefs better than "Divide."

[Msg Reflect Belief] How well does this message reflect what you personally believe? (Closed)







#### **Emotional Activation Framework**

Successful campaigns transform inhibiting emotions into activating ones.

#### **Inhibiting emotions** *Deter action*

- Powerlessness
- Sadness
- Complacency
- Shame
- Isolation

#### **Agitating emotions**

Can deter <u>OR</u> inspire action

- Fear
- Anxiety
- Worry

#### **Activating emotions**

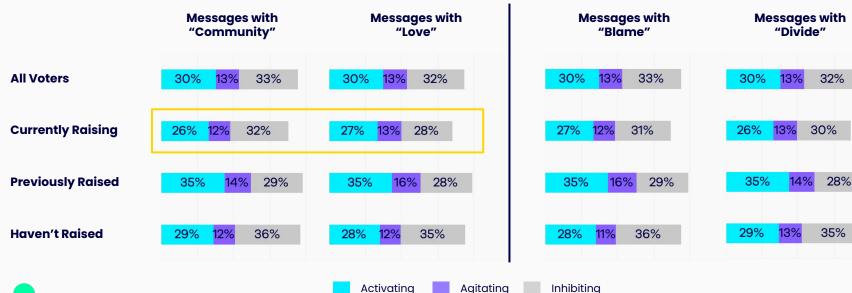
Inspire action

- Anger
- Urgency
- Hope
- Determination
- Agency
- Pride
- Solidarity



# All messages elicit mostly similar emotional reactions, but "Community" is slightly more inhibiting than "Love" among parents currently raising (citing emotions like "sadness").

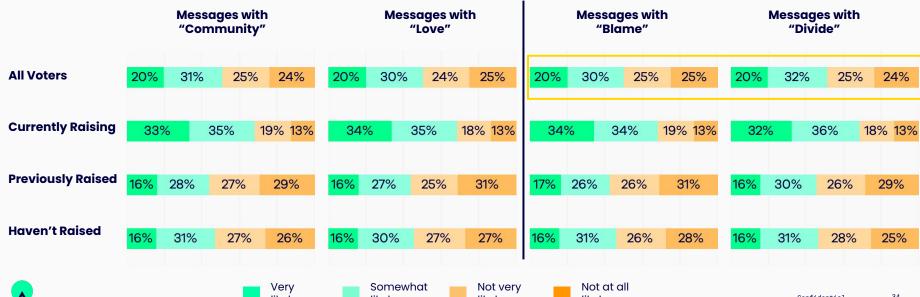
[Msg Emotion] What emotion best describes how you feel when you read this message? (Open)





#### Voters are slightly more likely to say they'd share the messages with "Divide" than "Blame."

[Msq Share] How likely or not likely would you be to share a message like this on social media (e.g., Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)? (Closed)





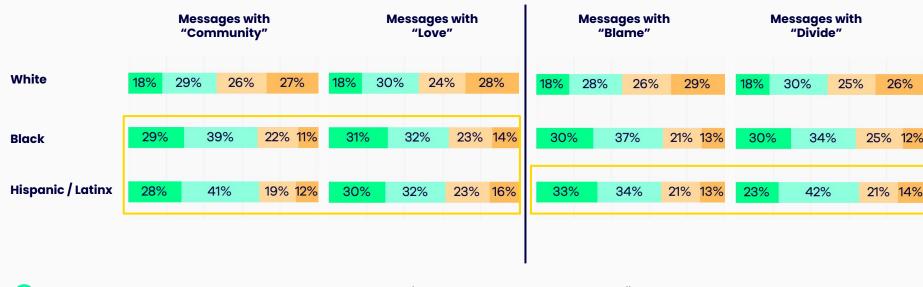






# Black & Latinx voters are more likely to say they'd share "Community" messages than "Love." Latinx voters are more like to say they'd share "Blame."

[Msg Share] How likely or not likely would you be to share a message like this on social media (e.g., Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)? (Closed)







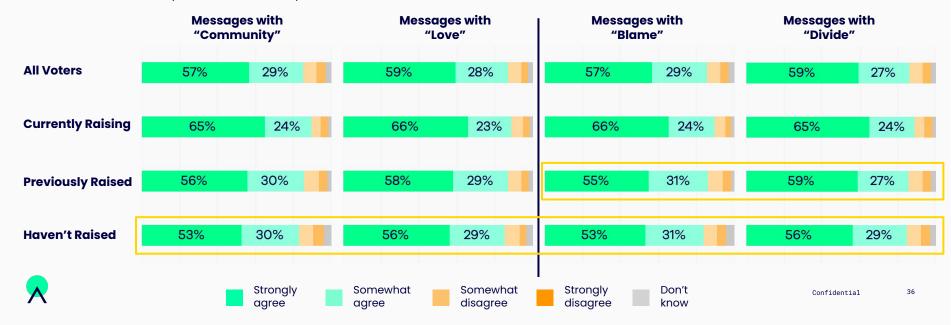






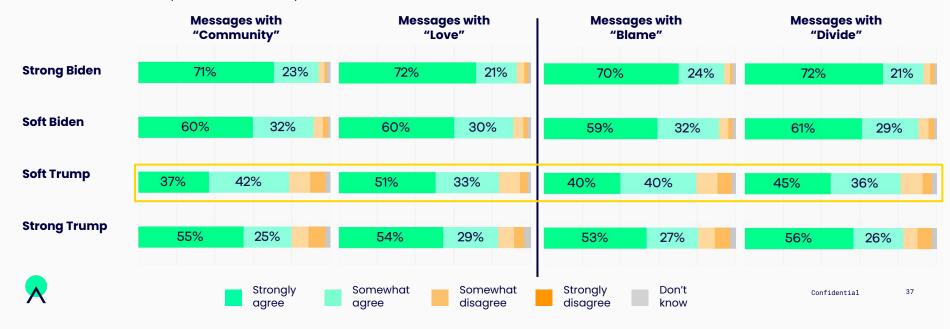
# Support for a Families First Agenda is very high among parents currently raising. Non-parents are slightly more likely to support the FFA after reading "Love" & "Divide" messages.

[DV - Support Families First Agenda] How much do you agree or disagree with the following statement? We must elect leaders that put families first by making sure parents have enough money to put food on the table, fair policies at work that let them spend time with their kids, and fully funded and safe public schools. (Closed)



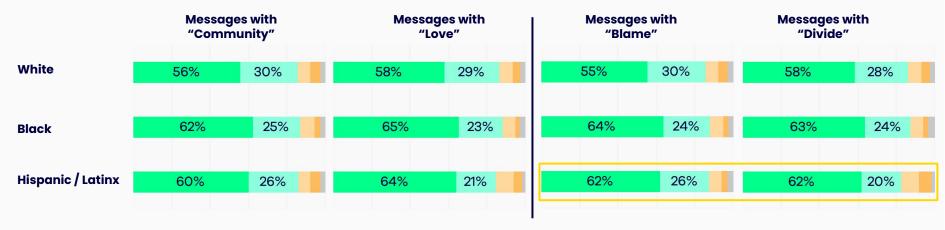
# Soft Trump voters, specifically, are more likely to agree with a Families First Agenda after reading the "Love" and "Divide" messages.

[DV - Support Families First Agenda] How much do you agree or disagree with the following statement? We must elect leaders that put families first by making sure parents have enough money to put food on the table, fair policies at work that let them spend time with their kids, and fully funded and safe public schools. (Closed)



## Latinx voters are slightly more likely to agree with a Families First Agenda after seeing the "Blame" messages.

[DV - Support Families First Agenda] How much do you agree or disagree with the following statement? We must elect leaders that put families first by making sure parents have enough money to put food on the table, fair policies at work that let them spend time with their kids, and fully funded and safe public schools. (Closed)









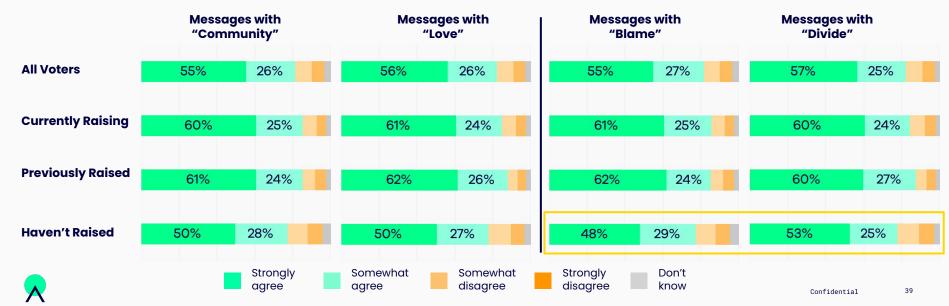






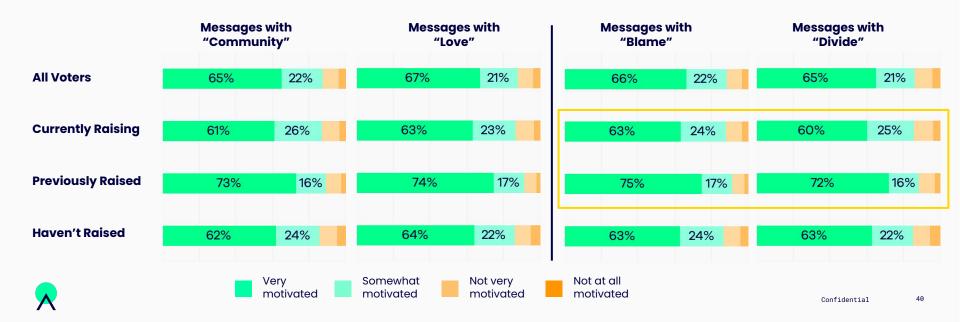
# At the same time, agreement with the "Parental Choice" frame is nearly as high (only -5pts among parents currently raising). "Blame" might inoculate better among non-parents.

[DV - Support Parental Choice] How much do you agree or disagree with the following statement? We must elect leaders that support common sense family values, and above all else, give back the freedom of choice for each individual parent to decide what is best for their family. (Closed)



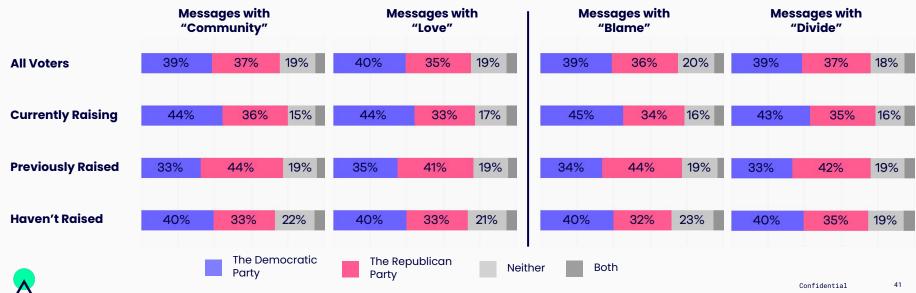
## Current & Previous Parents may report feeling slightly more motivated to vote in 2022 after reading the "Blame" message.

[DV - Motivation to vote] How motivated do you currently feel to vote in the November 2022 midterm elections? (Closed)



### Generally, voters do not respond differently to which party better represents families raising children based on which message they read. Dems win among Parents by ~8pts.

[DV - Party represent family] Which party best represents the interests of American families raising children? (Closed)

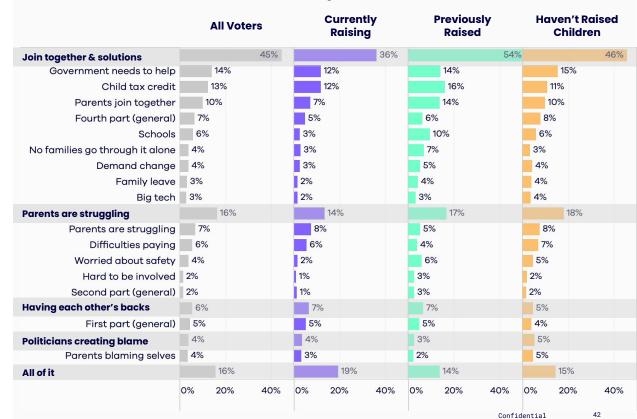




Across all messages, voters say they'd be most likely to share the part with the call to action demanding government solutions (led by the CTC).

[Msg Shareable part] If you had to choose, what part of the message would you be most likely to share? (Open)

#### <u>Message 1 - Community + Blame</u> *Among those who WOULD share*

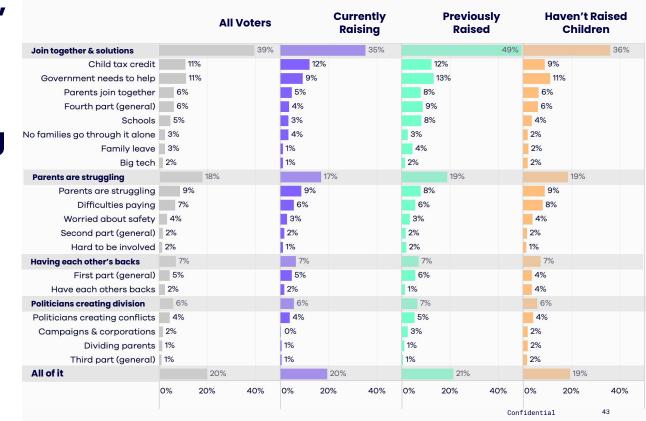




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#### Message 2 - Community + Divide Among those who WOULD share

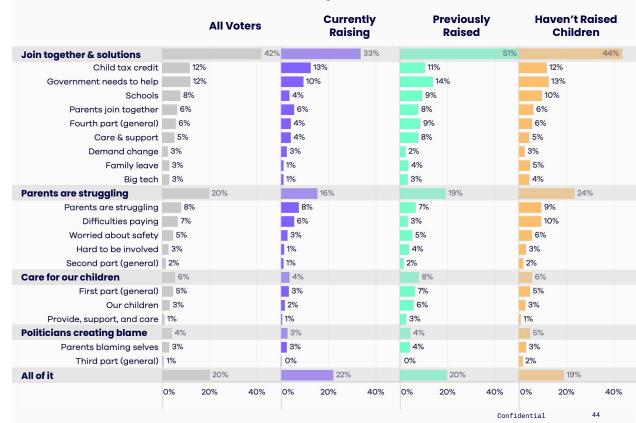




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[Msg Shareable part] If you had to choose, what part of the message would you be most likely to share? (Open)

### Message 3 - Love + Blame Among those who WOULD share

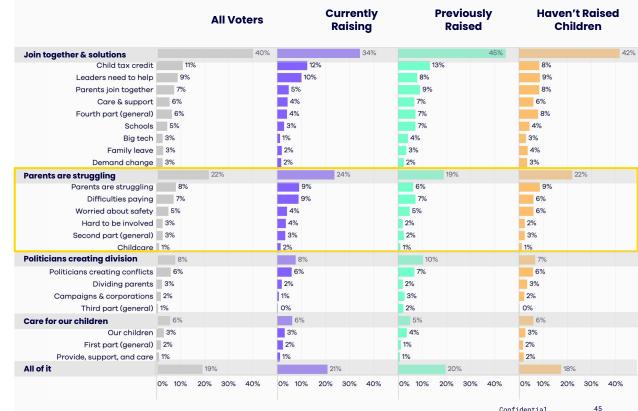




Compared to the other three messages, voters & parents currently raising children are more likely to mention sharing the "parents are struggling" part of the message when reading it in "Love + Divide."

[Msg Shareable part] If you had to choose, what part of the message would you be most likely to share? (Open)

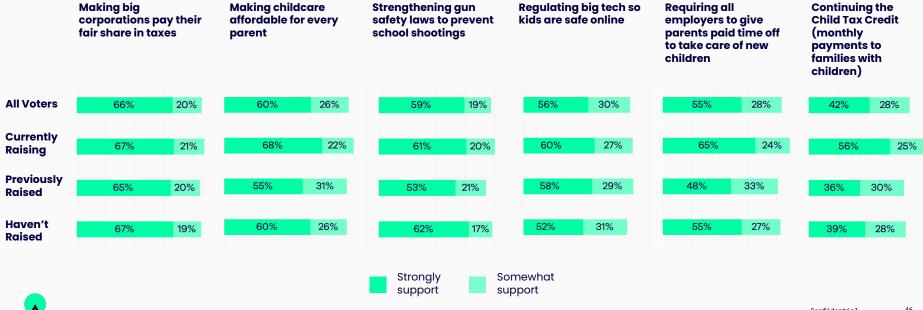
#### Message 4 - Love + Divide Among those who WOULD share





### Policies referenced in the FFA messages receive varying levels of support. Corporations paying taxes & affordable childcare are the most popular among all voters & parents.

[Support for Policies] How much do you support or oppose each of the following policies? (Closed)





We tested the four Families First Agenda messages in contrast to an opposition message, which centers a "parental choice" frame:

Families are the bedrock of America, and parents — not the government — should have the freedom to make their own choices about what's best for their families.

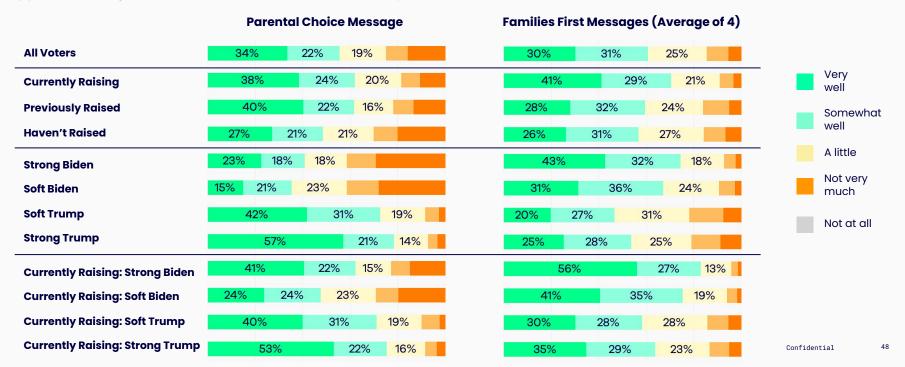
Most of us are just trying to raise good kids in a complicated world, but the radical Left is making it harder and harder. These out-of-touch politicians want to make our children feel ashamed of the color of their skin, expose them to confusing, age-inappropriate ideas about gender and sexuality, and teach them to hate the country they live in. Worst of all, the same politicians want to take money from hard-working, tax-paying parents and spend it carelessly on people who will waste it, making the inflation crisis worse and hurting American families.

Parents, not activists and the woke media, need control over how we choose to support our families and what our kids are hearing and learning in school. Parents must stand together and demand leaders that support common sense family values, and above all else, the freedom of choice for each individual parent to decide what is best for their family.



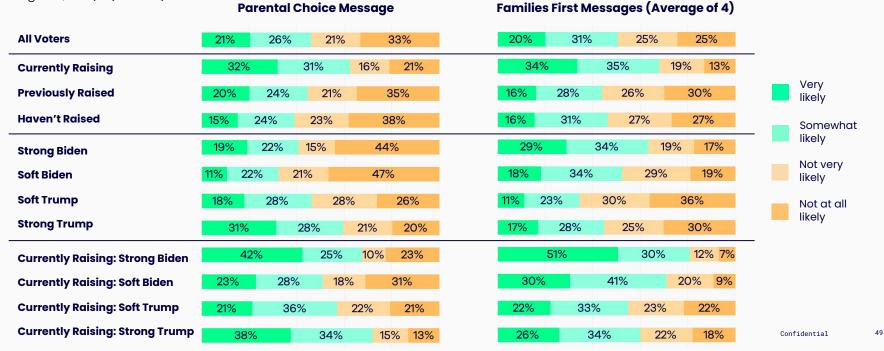
# In agreement, Families First messages outperform the opposition narrowly within parents currently raising, decisively within Biden voters, but not with any groups of Trump voters.

[Opposition - Msg Reflect Belief] How well does this message reflect what you personally believe? (Closed)



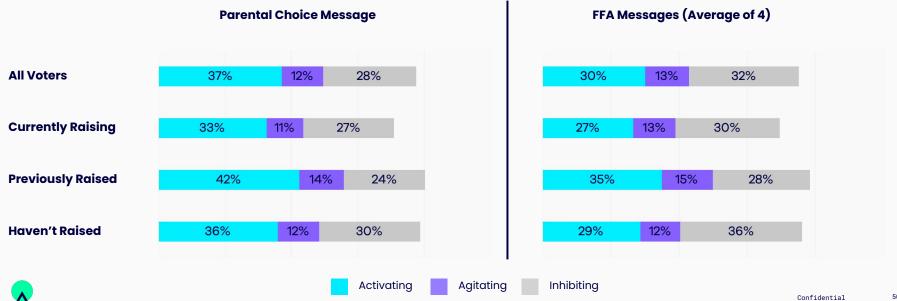
# In shareability, Families First messages outperform the opposition narrowly within parents currently raising, decisively within Biden voters, but not with any groups of Trump voters.

[Opposition - Msg Share] How likely or not likely would you be to share a message like this on social media (e.g., Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)? (Closed)



### The Parental Choice message elicits more activating emotions (driven by anger) than the Families First messages.

[Msq Emotion - Opposition] What emotion best describes how you feel when you read this message? (Open)

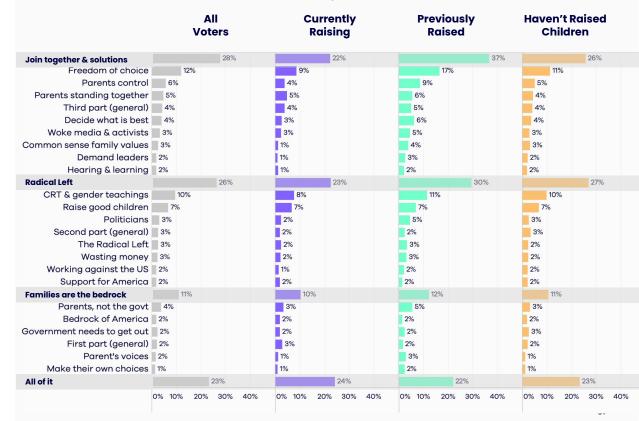




**Parents currently** raising children say they'd be most likely to share the call to action demanding parental freedom of choice, as well cite the problem statement about the Left, CRT, & gender.

[Msg Shareable part - Opposition] If you had to choose, what part of the message would you be most likely to share? (Open)

#### <u>Parental Choice Message</u> *Among those who would share*





# Reactions to Roe



79% of parents currently raising children either fully support the right to abortion or support a pregnant person making the choice (rather than the government deciding for them).

[Abortion view] How much do you agree or disagree with the following statement? (Closed)



43%

35%

34%

25%

**Currently Raising:** 

**Currently Raising:** 

**Strong Trump** 

Soft Trump



34%

19%

4%

6%

Over 78% of parents currently raising children, including a clear majority of Trump voters, agree that safe abortion care is essential healthcare that families rely on in America.

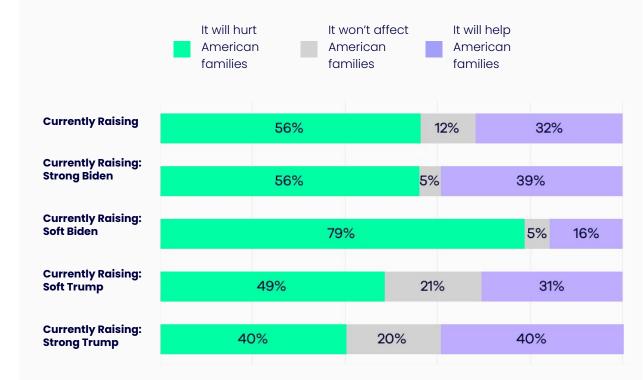
[Abortion essential] How much do you agree or disagree with the following statement? Safe abortion care, including miscarriage management, is essential healthcare that families rely on in America. (Closed)





56% of parents currently raising children say the end of Roe will hurt families in America. **Soft Biden parents** are the most likely group to say it will hurt families.

**[Roe impact]** How will the Supreme Court's decision last week to end the federal right to a legal abortion affect families in America? (Closed)





### **Strategic Recommendations**

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### Wrap the story of families in America with care.

The evidence is clear that care, support, and providing for loved ones performed the best in the test.

Voters see this as the clearest contrast between Democrats and Republicans, so using care will resonate with messages on other issues and ensure wider adoption by electeds. 2

## Blame some politicians and their corporate enablers for seeking to divide us.

There are some audiences for whom the "blame themselves" language strikes a chord and may help inoculate against the parental choice narrative.

It should be used by certain messengers (especially actual parents) to characterise some of the tactics used by villains to distract and divide us. 3

### In content, make the Families First Agenda come alive.

The policy proposals in the messages are broadly popular and coherent as part of a package.

What will life in America look like and feel like if these policies are enacted?

Helping voters see an achievable near future will increase urgency and hope, both of which drive mobilization and turnout.





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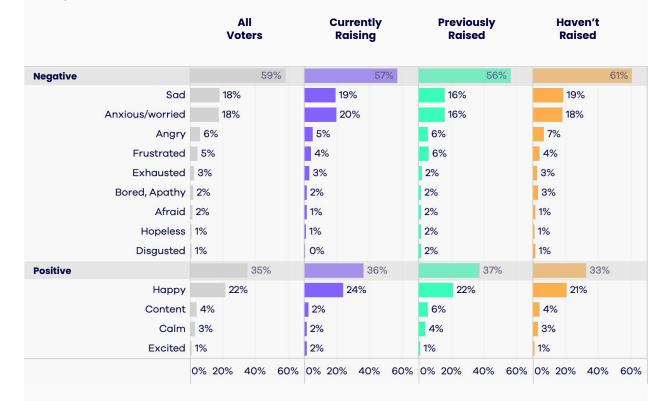
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# Appendix



## Personal Emotion: Parent Segments

**[Personal emotion]** In the past two weeks, what <u>emotion</u> have you felt most often? (Open)





### **Individual Messages: Agreement**

[Msg Reflect Belief] How well does this message reflect what you personally believe? (Closed)

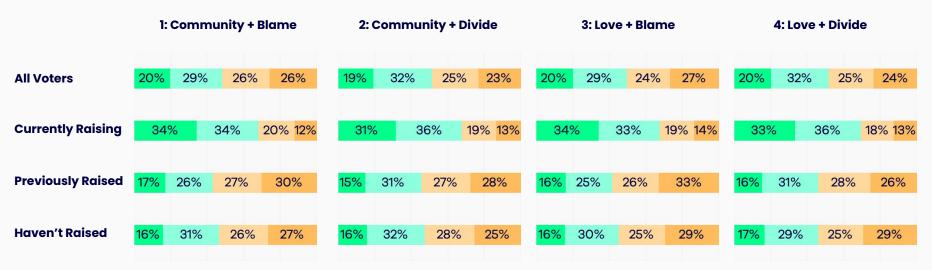






### **Individual Messages: Shareability**

[Msg Share] How likely or not likely would you be to share a message like this on social media (e.g., Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)? (Closed)







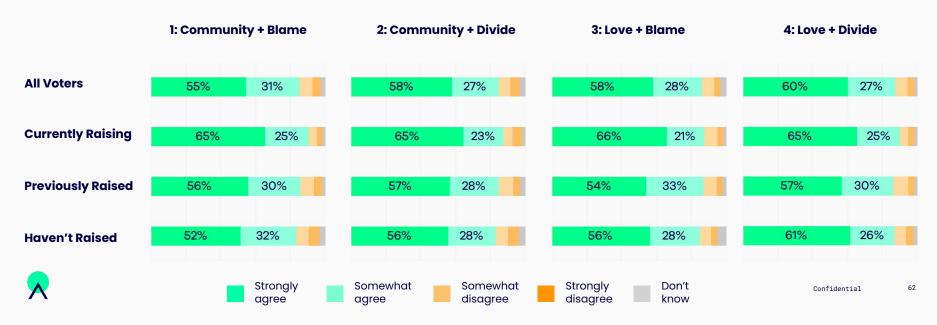






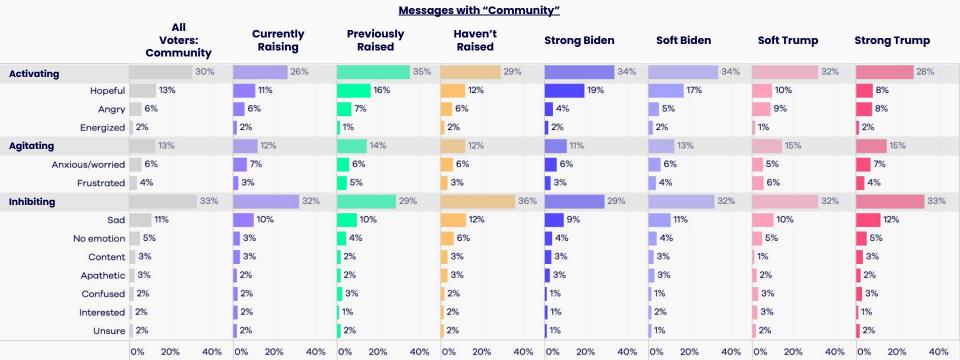
### Individual Messages: Support for Families First Agenda

[DV - Support FFA] How much do you agree or disagree with the following statement? We must elect leaders that put families first by making sure parents have enough money to put food on the table, fair policies at work that let them spend time with their kids, and fully funded and safe public schools. (Closed)



### **Emotion: Community Messages**

[Msg Emotion] What emotion best describes how you feel when you read this message? (Open)



### **Emotion: Love Messages**

[Msg Emotion] What emotion best describes how you feel when you read this message? (Open)

#### **Messages with "Love"** ΑII Currently **Previously** Haven't **Soft Biden Strong Biden Soft Trump Strong Trump Voters: Love** Raising Raised Raised 27% 32% 32% 29% 28% 30% 35% 28% **Activating** 17% 18% Hopeful 13% 12% 12% 17% 11% 10% 6% 4% 8% 5% 3% 6% 6% 9% Angry Energized 1% 2% 1% 2% 1% 1% 1% 1% **Agitating** 13% 16% 12% 18% 15% 13% 12% Anxious/worried 6% 7% 5% 5% 6% 8% 6% 3% 3% 3% 3% 3% 5% 4% Frustrated 5% 34% Inhibiting 28% 28% 27% 30% 31% 32% 35% 10% 8% 10% 10% 10% 9% 9% 10% Sad 3% 4% 4% 6% 5% No emotion 7% 4% Content 3% 4% 2% 2% 1% 4% 2% 3% Apathetic 3% 4% 3% 3% Confused 2% 2% 4% 3% 2% 2% 1% 2% 3% 3% Interested 64 1% 2% 1% 2% 1% 1% Unsure 20% 20% 20% 20% 40% 0% 20% 40% 20% 40% 40% 40% 0% 20% 40% 20% 40% 40%

### **Emotion: Blame Messages**

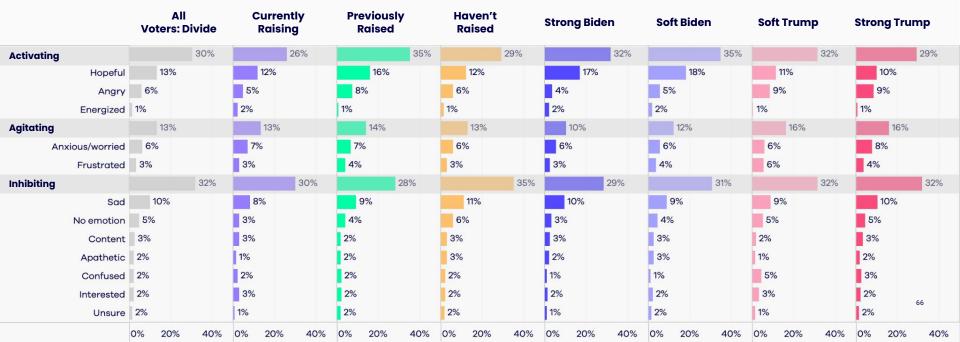
[Msg Emotion] What emotion best describes how you feel when you read this message? (Open)

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### **Emotion: Divide Messages**

[Msg Emotion] What emotion best describes how you feel when you read this message? (Open)

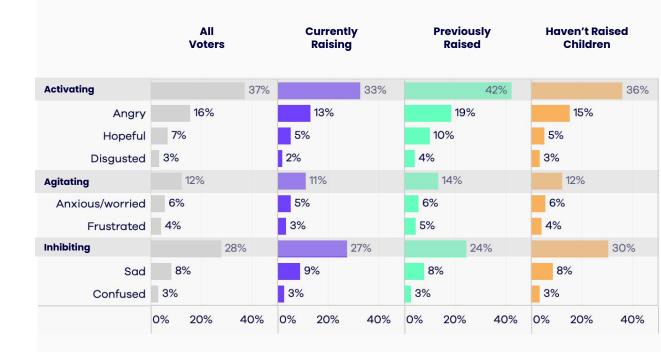
### Messages with "Divide"



### Parental Choice Message: Emotion

**[Opposition - Msg Emotion]** What <u>emotion</u> best describes how you feel when you read this message? (Open)

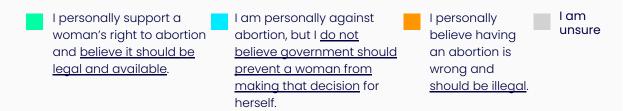
#### **Parental Choice Message**





# Aborion view: Ethnicity

[Abortion view] How much do you agree or disagree with the following statement? (Closed)

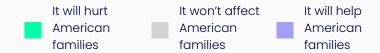






## Roe impact: Ethnicity

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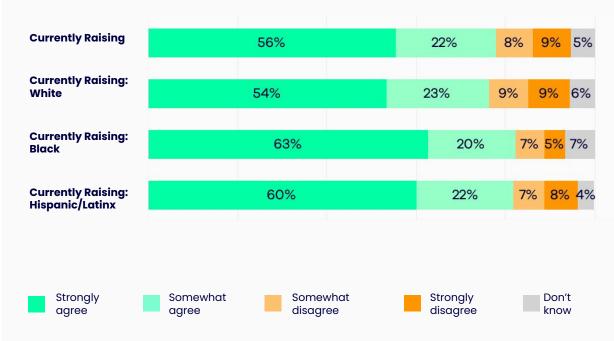






# Abortion essential: Ethnicity

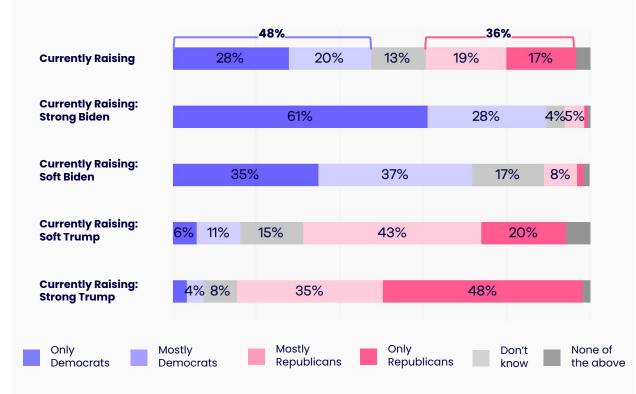
[Abortion essential] How much do you agree or disagree with the following statement? Safe abortion care, including miscarriage management, is essential healthcare that families rely on in America. (Closed)





### 2022 Vote Choice

**[DV - 2022 Vote choice]** If the 2022 midterm elections were today, who would you vote for? (Closed)





### 2022 Vote Choice, by Message

[DV - 2022 Vote choice] If the 2022 midterm elections were today, who would you vote for? (Closed)

