

***Common Ground in the Battlegrounds?* Survey Series**

Discussion of New Survey Findings from Competitive States & Congressional Districts on Immigration Policy

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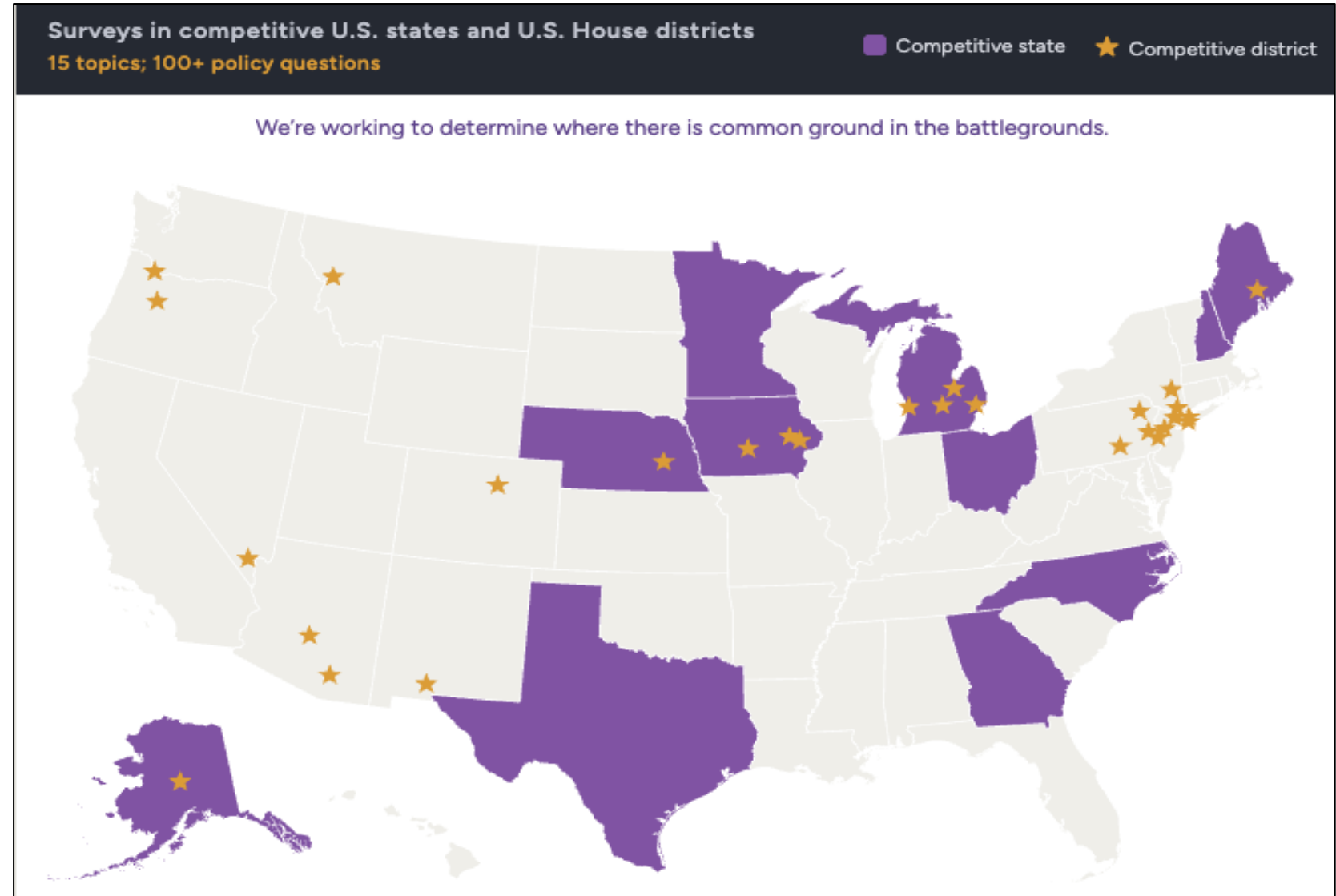
Competitive States & Congressional Districts Surveyed

■ 11 Competitive states:

[Alaska](#) · [Georgia](#) · [Iowa](#) · [Maine](#) ·
[Michigan](#) · [Minnesota](#) · [Nebraska](#) ·
[New Hampshire](#) · [North Carolina](#) ·
[Ohio](#) · [Texas](#)

★ 28 Competitive House districts:

[AK At-Large](#) · [AZ-1](#) · [AZ-6](#) · [CO-8](#) · [IA-1](#) ·
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Methodology

Fielding Dates and Sample Sizes

Battlegrounds: May 27 – June 25, to 19,564 adults

11 States: 600-2,000 in each

28 Congressional Districts: 400-500 in each

Confidence Interval: +/- 2.9 to 7.6%

National: Feb. 11–26, to 2,509 adults

Confidence Interval: +/- 2.9%

Weighting

Weighted to reflect the population in each state and district by key demographics (gender, age, race, income, education) and partisan affiliation

HOW AMERICANS WANT TO ADDRESS:
UNDOCUMENTED IMMIGRANTS
CURRENTLY IN THE U.S.

Those Convicted of a Serious Crime

Deport immigrants in the US illegally who have been convicted of a serious crime

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Those With No Criminal Record, Lived Here for Some Years

Offer a long-term visa to undocumented immigrants who have not committed a crime and been in the US for some years, provided they remain crime-free, and pay a penalty and any taxes owed

NATIONAL FAVOR

Democrats



87%

Republicans



69%

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Democrats



ranges

75-89%

Republicans



55-78%

Those With No Criminal Record, Brought Here as Children

Offer a path to citizenship to immigrants brought to the US illegally as children, provided they remain crime-free and are employed, in higher education, or in the military

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HOW AMERICANS WANT TO ADDRESS:
ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION INTO THE U.S.

Deter Illegal Immigration While Meeting Demand for Workers

Proposal: 1. Require employers to use E-Verify to confirm workers' legal status, **AND** 2. Increase the number of work visas issued each year, if there is demand for workers

NATIONAL FAVOR

Democrats



Republicans



ALL 39 BATTLEGROUND STATES FAVOR

Democrats



Republicans



HOW AMERICANS WANT TO ADDRESS:
ASYLUM SEEKERS IN THE U.S.

Reduce Wait Times for Asylum Court Hearings

Hire several hundred more asylum judges and staff to significantly speed up the process of evaluating claims for asylum

NATIONAL FAVOR



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**WHAT ABOUT DIFFERENT
DEMOGRAPHICS?**

Support for Policies Among Demographic Groups

AGE: 18-34, 35-44, 55-64, and 65+

GENDER: Men, Women

RACE: White, Black, Hispanic, Asian

EDUCATION: HS or Less, Some College, College, Post-Grad

INCOME: <\$30k, \$30-50k, \$50-100k, \$100-150k, >\$150

**For every single group,
at least two-thirds favor each policy**

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