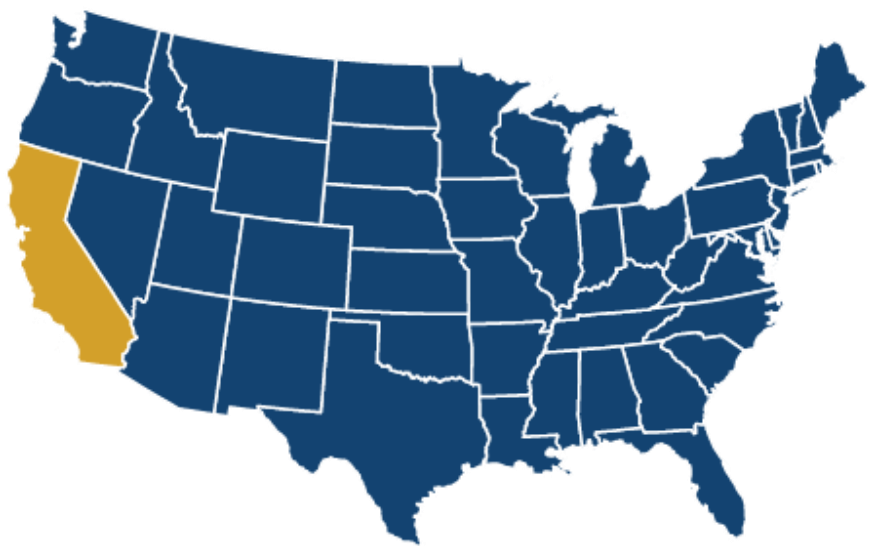




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Age 45 and Older, November 2021
Annotated Questionnaire



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Interviews were conducted with 408 Hispanic/Latino residents of California age 45 and older between November 10, 2021 and November 29, 2021. All data have been weighted by age and gender according to 2019 U.S. Census Bureau Current Population Survey (CPS) statistics. Survey results have a 4.9% margin of error.

Hello, this is _____ calling from Alan Newman Research, a national opinion research firm. We are not telemarketers and are not trying to sell you anything. We are interested in your thoughts about issues of importance to you and people like you in California. Your views are important and we would greatly appreciate your participation. (Web: "We are interested in your thoughts about issues of importance to you and people like you in California. Your views are important and we would greatly appreciate your participation.")

Screener

Qa. Would you like to continue the survey in English, or would you prefer to continue in Spanish or Mandarin?

%	n=408
88	English
12	Spanish
0	Mandarin

S1. Our study is interested in the opinions of certain age groups. Could you please tell me your age as of your last birthday? (IN YEARS) [RECORD AGE; TERMINATE IF UNDER AGE 45 OR REFUSED] (Web: "Our study is interested in the opinions of certain age groups. What is your age as of your last birthday?")

%	n=408
0	Under 45 [TERMINATE]
25	45-49
16	50-54
14	55-59
16	60-64
10	65-69
7	70-74
4	75-79
5	80-84
4	85+
0	Refused (Web: "Prefer not to say") [TERMINATE]

S2. What is your 5-digit zip code? _____ [ENTER ZIP CODE; VERIFY MATCH – IF NOT A MATCH TO CALIFORNIA OR DON'T KNOW/REFUSED, ASK FOR RESIDENT IN HH; TERMINATE IF NO ONE IN HH IS AGE 45+ RESIDENT OF CALIFORNIA] (Web: TERMINATE IF NOT A MATCH)

S4. Are you registered to vote in California?

%	n=408
90	Yes
10	No
<1	Don't know
0	Refused (Web: Do not include this response option)

S3. What is your current employment status? (READ LIST AS NEEDED TO CLARIFY)

%	n=408
11	Self-employed full-time
5	Self-employed part-time
28	Employed full-time
7	Employed part-time
8	Unemployed and looking for work
31	Retired and not working at all
10	Or are you not in the labor force for other reasons
0	Don't know (VOL) (Web: Do not include this response option)
1	Refused (VOL) (Web: Do not include this response option)

Health

I1. Next, I am going to read a list of issues, and I'd like you to please tell me how important each is to you, personally. Is [ITEM] extremely important, very important, somewhat important, not very important, or not important at all to you? [RANDOMIZE ORDER] (Web: "For the following list of issues, please indicate how important each is to you, personally." [MATRIX LAYOUT])

n=408	Extremely important %	Very important %	Somewhat important %	Not very important %	Not at all important %	Don't know %	Refused %
A. Having adequate health insurance coverage	59	34	5	1	1	1	0
B. Having Medicare benefits available to you in the future	55	34	8	1	2	1	0
C. Staying mentally sharp	59	34	6	1	1	0	0
D. Staying physically healthy	54	40	5	1	1	<1	0
E. Paying for prescription drugs	45	35	9	5	3	2	1
F. Paying for health care expenses, including premiums and co-pays	43	37	12	3	3	1	1
AR. Being able to access health care providers remotely by computer or phone	30	35	22	6	5	1	<1

Caregiving

CARE1. Are you currently providing unpaid help to a relative or friend 18 years or older to help them take care of themselves? This would include doing things for them such as grocery shopping, providing transportation, managing finances, arranging for healthcare or other services, or preparing meals.

%	n=408
37	Yes
62	No
1	Don't know (Web: Do not include this response option)
<1	Refused (Web: Do not include this response option)

CARE1_A. [IF CARE1≠Yes] Have you ever provided this type of unpaid help in the past?

%	n=258
40	Yes
59	No
1	Don't know (Web: Do not include this response option)
1	Refused (Web: Do not include this response option)

HEAL5. How interested are you in using tele-health services for yourself or a loved one if needed? (READ LIST)

%	n=408
21	Extremely interested
21	Very interested
30	Somewhat interested
13	Not very interested
12	Not at all interested
4	Don't know (VOL) (Web: Do not include this response option)
<1	Refused (VOL) (Web: Do not include this response option)

COVID-19

CVD-11. Have you gotten or do you plan to get the COVID-19 vaccine? (READ LIST AS NEEDED TO CONFIRM)

%	n=408
79	Yes, already got the COVID-19 vaccine (either all shots or 1 shot out of 2)
4	Yes, plan to get the COVID-19 vaccine
14	No, I do not plan to get the COVID-19 vaccine
2	Don't know (VOL)
1	Refused (VOL) (Web: Do not include this response option)

Wealth

11. Next, I am going to read a list of issues, and I'd like you to please tell me how important each is to you, personally. Is [ITEM] extremely important, very important, somewhat important, not very important, or not important at all to you? [RANDOMIZE ORDER] (Web: "For the following list of issues, please indicate how important each is to you, personally." [MATRIX LAYOUT])

n=408	Extremely important %	Very important %	Somewhat important %	Not very important %	Not at all important %	Don't know %	Refused %
G. Having adequate Social Security benefits available to you in the future	57	31	7	1	3	<1	0
H. Having good employment opportunities in your community	38	36	15	5	6	1	0
I. Protection from age discrimination	40	34	15	4	6	<1	<1
J. Maintaining relevant job skills and experience	32	37	20	4	7	1	<1
K. [IF S3=Retired and not working at all] Having enough income or savings to retire (n=283)	58	33	6	1	1	1	<1
L. [IF S3=Employed (full-time, part-time), self-employed (full-time, part-time), or unemployed and looking for work] Being able to stop working for pay at the age you want (n=240)	44	33	18	3	2	0	1
M. Protecting yourself against consumer fraud	47	38	10	2	2	1	<1
N. Protecting yourself against unfair financial practices	48	38	9	3	1	1	0
O. Having online security	35	38	15	5	4	2	1
U. Having financial security throughout your life	57	36	5	1	1	1	0
V. Having affordable utilities	47	41	10	<1	1	1	0
W. Being able to afford groceries or other household necessities	55	36	5	1	2	<1	1

Utilities

GUTIL1. Thinking about your monthly costs for household utilities including heating, cooling, electricity, and natural gas, would an increase in your utility bill be a major problem, minor problem, or not a problem for you?

%	n=408
53	Major problem
33	Minor problem
13	Not a problem
2	Don't know
0	Refused (VOL) (Web: Do not include this response option)

GUTIL2. Do you believe that your state elected officials are doing enough to keep your utilities affordable?

%	n=408
32	Yes
57	No
10	Don't know
<1	Refused (Web: Do not include this response option)

CAUT-1. How well do you understand the rates and fees you are being charged for your utilities? (READ LIST)

%	n=408
32	Very well
47	Somewhat well
20	Not well at all
1	Not applicable (VOL)
1	Don't know (VOL) (Web: Do not include this response option)
0	Refused (VOL) (Web: Do not include this response option)

Self

Q1. What do you think is the single most important problem or challenge facing mid-life or older adults as they age? [ENTER VERBATIM RESPONSE] (Web: Large text box, open-end) [CODED OPEN-ENDED RESPONSES]

%	n=408
25	Health generally/ health problems
23	Retirement/ Social Security/ finances/ cost-of-living
15	Access to healthcare (finding insurance, providers, etc.)
5	Economy
5	Employment
3	Housing
3	Loneliness/ social isolation
2	Healthcare cost (insurance cost, cost for services)
2	Not being respected/ accepted
2	Government
2	Assistance/ care at home
1	Prescription drug costs
1	Keeping up with technology
1	COVID-19/ coronavirus/ pandemic
1	Transportation
1	Staying involved/ connected/ contributing to society
1	Climate change/ environment
0	Nursing home safety
0	Racial justice
8	Other
9	Don't know/ refused

Independent Living and Long-Term Care

I1. Next, I am going to read a list of issues, and I'd like you to please tell me how important each is to you, personally. Is [ITEM] extremely important, very important, somewhat important, not very important, or not important at all to you? [RANDOMIZE ORDER] (Web: "For the following list of issues, please indicate how important each is to you, personally." [MATRIX LAYOUT])

n=408	Extremely important %	Very important %	Somewhat important %	Not very important %	Not at all important %	Don't know %	Refused %
P. Staying in your own home as you get older	51	37	8	3	1	1	<1
Q. Having high quality long-term care in your community	44	36	15	2	2	1	<1
R. Getting to the places you need to go independently	44	43	8	2	1	1	<1
S. Caring for a loved one	51	38	8	1	2	<1	0

Life Transitions

LET1. For each of the following life experiences, how important do you think it would be to have help navigating each, if you were to experience it? [RANDOMIZE]

n=408	Very important %	Somewhat important %	Not important %	Don't know %	Refused %
A. Enrolling in Medicare and Social Security	73	20	7	1	0
B. Caregiving for an adult loved one	74	19	7	1	<1
C. Employment changes, such as starting a new job or business	45	27	25	2	1
D. Changes in driving or using new transportation options	52	28	19	2	<1
E. Changes in finances	68	23	7	2	1
F. Health changes	73	19	6	2	1
G. Changes in family structure, including additions and losses	58	28	12	3	0
H. Social challenges like age, gender, or race discrimination	58	23	17	2	<1
I. Making new friends and social connections	40	38	22	<1	0
J. Housing changes, such as moving to a new home or making renovations	51	30	18	1	1
K. End of life planning	62	26	11	<1	<1

Livable Communities

I1. Next, I am going to read a list of issues, and I'd like you to please tell me how important each is to you, personally. Is [ITEM] extremely important, very important, somewhat important, not very important, or not important at all to you? [RANDOMIZE ORDER] (Web: "For the following list of issues, please indicate how important each is to you, personally." [MATRIX LAYOUT])

n=408	Extremely important %	Very important %	Somewhat important %	Not very important %	Not at all important %	Don't know %	Refused %
AH1. Safe, walkable sidewalks, and safe, bikeable streets	38	37	16	5	3	1	1
AD1. Access to outdoor parks and recreation	26	36	27	7	3	1	<1
AE. Public transportation	28	32	19	9	10	1	<1

COMM10_3. Which of the following best describes where you currently live? (READ LIST)

%	n=408
72	A single family home
22	An apartment or condominium
2	Housing for older adults
3	Some other type of living arrangement
<1	Don't know (VOL) (Web: Do not include this response option)
0	Refused (VOL) (Web: Do not include this response option)

LIVCOMM3. Do you rent or own your home? (READ LIST AS NEEDED TO CLARIFY)

%	n=408
62	Own (or being bought by you or someone in your household)
33	Rent
3	Neither own nor rent but live with an adult child or others
2	Other (VOL)
<1	Don't know (VOL)
0	Refused (VOL) (Web: Do not include this response option)

HOME-1. How much do you think each of the following would impact your ability to remain in your home as you age? (READ LIST) [RANDOMIZE]

n=408	A lot %	A little %	Not at all %	Don't know %	Refused %
B. Increasing maintenance costs	54	29	14	3	<1
C. Being able to make the necessary repairs and modifications to your home so you can continue to live there safely	57	25	17	2	<1
D. Being close to goods and services	56	29	12	2	1
E. Heating and cooling costs	54	27	18	2	0

Migration

GEN-1. Have you or someone you know had to move from their neighborhood in the past 5 years due to price changes in the housing market?

%	n=408
35	Yes
61	No
4	Don't know (Web: Do not include this response option)
<1	Refused (Web: Do not include this response option)

MIG-1. In the past year, have you personally considered moving from California?

%	n=408
37	Yes
63	No
0	Don't know (Web: Do not include this response option)
0	Refused (Web: Do not include this response option)

MIG-2. [IF MIG-1=Yes] What are your reasons for considering moving from California? Is it for [ITEM]?
[RANDOMIZE]

n=150	Yes %	No %	Don't know %	Refused %
A. Better job opportunities	50	48	1	2
C. Lower taxes	86	14	0	0
D. A safer community or lower crime rate	65	35	1	0
F. Natural disasters	39	61	0	1
H. To be with or live closer to other family members	35	66	0	0
I. Lower overall cost of living	87	13	1	0
N. Lower housing costs	85	14	0	1
Y. Climate concerns	41	59	0	0
Z. Is there any other reason? [SPECIFY]	31	69	0	0

NPD9. How concerned are you about being impacted by natural disasters that is, earthquakes, floods, or wildfires? (READ LIST)

%	n=408
27	Extremely concerned
26	Very concerned
30	Somewhat concerned
9	Not very concerned
8	Not at all concerned
<1	Don't know (VOL) (Web: Do not include this response option)
0	Refused (VOL) (Web: Do not include this response option)

QCA1. How concerned are you about the changing climate in California, specifically the extreme heat and drought, affecting your life today, as well as the lives of future generations? (READ LIST)

%	n=408
37	Extremely concerned
25	Very concerned
20	Somewhat concerned
8	Not very concerned
10	Not at all concerned
1	Don't know (VOL) (Web: Do not include this response option)
0	Refused (VOL) (Web: Do not include this response option)

QCA2. Which of the following climate change impacts have affected you, your family, or your friends living in California, during the past year? (READ LIST) (Web: "Choose all that apply.") [MULTIPLE RESPONSES ALLOWED FOR 1-5]

%	n=408
58	Higher energy bills during extreme heat events
54	Bad air quality
54	Water restrictions from drought
45	Wildfires
8	Flooding
12	None of the these (VOL) [CODE IF NONE ABOVE SELECTED]
<1	Refused (VOL) (Web: Do not include this response option)

QCA3. Do you or a family member have a health condition that is made worse due to extreme weather, like hotter days or bad air quality?

%	n=408
39	Yes
60	No
1	Don't know (VOL) (Web: Do not include this response option)
<1	Refused (VOL) (Web: Do not include this response option)

Discrimination

FP16. Discrimination can take a variety of forms in society. How often do you personally see or experience the following types of discrimination? (READ LIST) [RANDOMIZE]

n=408	Very often %	Often %	Sometimes %	Rarely %	Never %	Don't know %	Refused %
A. Racism	14	17	17	23	29	<1	0
B. Sexism	10	10	19	23	37	1	<1
F. Age discrimination in the workplace	10	8	18	16	44	2	1
G. Ageism, in general, which is the stereotyping or discrimination against people on the basis of their age	11	11	22	23	34	<1	<1

Demographics

D1. Other than a data plan on your cell phone, do you have high-speed Internet service at home such as cable Internet, DSL, FIOS, or satellite Internet service?

%	n=408
82	Yes
16	No
2	Don't know
0	Refused (Web: Do not include this response option)

D2. Have you or a family member ever served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces, Reserves, or National Guard? [ALLOW MULTIPLE RESPONSES FOR 1-2]

%	n=408
16	Yes, I have
34	Yes, a family member has
53	No
1	Don't know
0	Refused (Web: Do not include this response option)

D14. Does any disability, handicap, or chronic disease keep you from participating fully in work, school, household, or other activities?

%	n=408
28	Yes
72	No
0	Don't know (Web: Do not include this response option)
0	Refused (Web: Do not include this response option)

Thank you for your time so far. I have just a few final questions for classification purposes. All of your responses will be completely confidential. (Web: Do not include)

D3. What is the highest degree or level of school you have completed? (CODE BELOW; READ TO CLARIFY IF NEEDED)

%	n=408
11	0 through 12 th grade (no diploma)
22	High school graduate (or equivalent)
5	Post- high school vocational or technical training
33	Some college (no degree), Associate's degree, 2-year college degree
16	College graduate (4-year degree)
2	Post-graduate study
10	Graduate or professional degrees (Master's degree/ PhD/ Law)
0	Don't know (VOL) (Web: Do not include this response option)
<1	Refused (VOL) (Web: Do not include this response option)

D4. How do you identify your gender? (CODE BELOW; READ TO CLARIFY IF NEEDED)

%	n=408
50	Female
49	Male
<1	Other gender identity [SPECIFY]
1	Don't know (VOL)
1	Refused (VOL) (Web: "Prefer not to say")

D4a. Do you identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or queer?

%	n=408
5	Yes
94	No
1	Not sure
1	Refused (VOL) (Web: "Prefer not to say")

D5. What is your current marital status? (CODE BELOW; READ TO CLARIFY IF NEEDED)

%	n=408
52	Married
5	Living with a partner
9	Widowed
15	Divorced or separated
19	Never married
0	Don't know (VOL) (Web: Do not include this response option)
1	Refused (VOL) (Web: Do not include this response option)

D6. [IF D5=Married or 'Not married, living with a partner'] Are you or your (spouse/partner) currently a member of AARP? [IF D5≠Married or 'Not married, living with a partner'] Are you currently a member of AARP?

%	n=408
26	Yes
69	No
5	Don't know
<1	Refused (Web: Do not include this response option)

D7. Are you of Spanish, Hispanic or Latino background?

%	n=408
100	Yes
0	No
0	Don't know
0	Refused (Web: 'Prefer not to say')

D7_A. [IF D7=Yes] What is your country of origin? (CODE TO LIST)

%	n=408
47	Mexico
3	Spain
3	Puerto Rico
2	Cuba
1	Salvador
1	Peru
1	Guatemala
1	Honduras
1	Colombia
1	Ecuador
<1	Dominican Republic
39	Other [SPECIFY]
1	Don't know
1	Refused (Web: "Prefer not to say")

HL_OR2. [IF D7=Yes] When you are at home, do you...? (READ LIST)

%	n=408
6	Speak Spanish only
5	Speak Spanish most of the time
4	Speak Spanish and English equally but prefer Spanish
14	Speak Spanish and English equally and do not have a preference
10	Speak Spanish and English equally but prefer English
20	Speak English most of the time
40	Speak English only
<1	Don't know (VOL) (Web: Do not include this response option)
1	Refused (VOL) (Web: "Prefer not to say")

D8. Which of the following best describes your race? (READ LIST)

%	n=408
59	White
6	Black or African American
3	American Indian or Alaska Native
2	Asian
1	Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
24	Some other race [SPECIFY]
<1	Multi-race [SPECIFY]
3	Don't know (VOL)
2	Refused (VOL) (Web: "Prefer not to say")

D9. In general, how would you describe your political views? Would you say you are conservative, moderate, liberal, or something else? (Web: "In general, how would you describe your political views?")

%	n=408
33	Conservative
34	Moderate
25	Liberal
0	Other [SPECIFY]
6	Don't know
2	Refused (Web: "Prefer not to say")

D10. Are you...? (READ LIST) [ROTATE ORDER]

%	n=408
47	Democrat
19	Republican
14	Independent
2	Progressive
14	No party preference
1	Other [SPECIFY] (VOL)
1	Don't know (VOL)
2	Refused (VOL) (Web: "Prefer not to say")

D11. What income range includes your household's total income from all sources in 2020? (READ LIST)

%	n=408
7	Less than \$10,000
15	\$10,000 to less than \$25,000
21	\$25,000 to less than \$50,000
15	\$50,000 to less than \$75,000
11	\$75,000 to less than \$100,000
14	\$100,000 to less than \$150,000
4	\$150,000 to less than \$200,000
5	\$200,000 or more
7	Refused (VOL) (Web: "Prefer not to say")

D17. What is your primary source of news? (READ LIST) [SINGLE RESPONSE ONLY; RANDOMIZE ORDER OF 1-5]

%	n=408
56	TV
17	Social media like Facebook, Instagram or Twitter
14	Websites
6	Print newspaper
5	Radio
1	Other [SPECIFY] (VOL)
1	Don't know (VOL) (Web: Do not include this response option)
1	Refused (VOL) (Web: Do not include this response option)

D18. What is the best way to inform you about events happening in the community? (READ LIST) [SINGLE RESPONSE ONLY; RANDOMIZE ORDER OF 1-6]

%	n=408
32	TV
23	Social media like Facebook, Instagram or Twitter
14	Email
12	Local newspaper
8	Postal mail
7	Phone call
2	Other [SPECIFY] (VOL)
1	Don't know (VOL) (Web: Do not include this response option)
2	Refused (VOL) (Web: Do not include this response option)

Thank you very much for participating in this survey.