

AARP 2026 Georgia Statewide Survey: Annotated Questionnaire

Study population: Likely 2026 Voters (Age 18+)

Field dates: July 13-16, 2026

Data collection vendor: Fabrizio Ward / Impact Research

TOTAL sample size (and breakout of any subgroups): Total registered voters 18+ - 1060
Total registered voters 50+ - 605

MOE or appropriate estimate of error: ± 3.0 pct pts for total population

Notes:

- Data is weighted to represent the Georgia midterm voting population
 - Due to rounding, percentages may not add to 100%
 - Default base for all tables is 1060 unless otherwise stated
 - Cell values of "-" mean the cell contains no data
 - A value of 0% represents a percentage that is less than 1%
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Research study page: <https://www.aarp.org/ga2026voterpoll>



1. Are you over 18 and registered to vote in Georgia?

	Total	50+
Yes	100	100
No/All Other Responses [TERMINATE]	-	-

2. How likely are you to vote in the 2026 general election later this fall for Governor, U.S. Senate and Congress? Would you say you will definitely vote, probably vote, be a 50-50 chance to vote, probably not vote or definitely not vote?

	Total	50+
Definitely Vote	83	88
Probably Vote	12	10
Be A 50-50 Chance To Vote	5	2
Probably NOT Vote [TERMINATE]	-	-
Definitely NOT Vote [TERMINATE]	-	-
DK/Refused [TERMINATE]	-	-

3. In what year were you born? [TERMINATE IF 2009 OR LATER; TERMINATE AGE REFUSALS]

	Total	50+
18-34	18	-
35-49	25	-
50-64	32	56
65+	25	44
Refused	-	-

4. Are you of Hispanic or Latino origin or descent?

	Total	50+
Yes	6	2
No	94	98
DK/Refused	0	0



5. Which of the following categories indicates the race or races that you consider yourself to be? (RANDOMIZE 1-3)

	Total	50+
White	65	69
African American/Black	31	28
Asian American	2	2
Other (SPECIFY:)	3	1
DK/Refused	2	2

6. What is your gender?

	Total	50+
Female	55	54
Male	45	46
Other (Vol.)	0	0

7. With which political party are you affiliated? (ROTATE 1-2)

	Total	50+
Republican	36	45
Democrat	36	32
Independent or Unaffiliated	26	21
Something Else (SPECIFY:)	1	1
DK/Refused	2	1

8. **[ASK IF INDEPENDENT/SOMETHING ELSE/REFUSED]** Do you consider yourself closer to (ROTATE) the Republican Party or the Democratic Party?

	Total n297	50+ n140
Democratic Party	33	30
Republican Party	25	36
Purely Independent	36	26
Refused	6	8



9. What is the highest level of formal education that you have completed?

	Total	50+
TOTAL <COLLEGE	57	58
TOTAL COLLEGE+	43	42
Some Grade School	1	1
Some High School	2	2
High School Graduate	18	17
Technical Or Vocational School Graduate	7	8
Some College	18	18
College Graduate With An Associate's Or 2-Year Degree	12	11
College Graduate With A Bachelor's Or 4-Year Degree	27	25
Post-Graduate Degree	16	17
DK/Refused	0	0

10. Many people were not able to vote in the 2024 election for President, U.S. Congress, and other offices. How about you? Did you vote or did you not get a chance to vote in the 2024 election?

[IF VOTED ASK]

11. In the 2024 election for President, for whom did you vote? (ROTATE 1-2)

	Total	50+
Donald Trump	45	54
Kamala Harris	44	39
Voted For Someone Else	1	0
Did Not Vote For President In 2024	1	1
Did Not Vote In Previous Election	6	3
Refused	3	3



12. On a scale of 0-10 where 0 means not at all motivated to vote, 5 means somewhat motivated to vote and 10 means extremely motivated to vote, how motivated are you to vote in the November election for Governor, U.S. Senate, and Congress?

	Total	50+
10 - Extremely Motivated To Vote	77	88
8-9	8	6
0-7	15	6
9	4	3
8	4	2
7	4	2
6	2	1
5 – Somewhat Motivated To Vote	7	3
4	1	-
3	1	0
2	1	-
1	-	-
0 - Not At All Motivated To Vote	1	0
DK/Refused	0	0

13. Would you say that things in this country are headed in the right direction or would you say that they are headed in the wrong direction?

	Total	50+
Right Direction	34	42
Wrong Direction	59	52
DK/Refused	6	6

14. All other things being equal, if the election for Congress were held today, would you be more likely to vote for (ROTATE) the Republican candidate or the Democratic candidate for Congress?

[ASK OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY "UNSURE" IN PREVIOUS QUESTION]

15. Just for the purposes of this survey, if you had to decide today, do you think you would vote for (ROTATE) the Republican candidate or the Democratic candidate for Congress?

	Total	50+
TOTAL DEMOCRATIC	51	43
TOTAL REPUBLICAN	44	53
Definitely Democratic	42	37
Probably Democratic	8	6
Lean Democratic	1	1
Lean Republican	1	0
Probably Republican	8	7
Definitely Republican	36	46
Unsure	5	4



From the following list of names, would you say you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of each person or entity? If you have no opinion or have never heard of the person, just say so.

RANDOMIZE	Total Fav- orable	Total Unfav- orable	Very Fav- orable	Smwt Fav- orable	Smwt Unfav- orable	Very Unfav- orable	No Opin- ion	Never Heard Of
16. Rick Jackson								
Total	31	34	16	15	9	25	18	17
50+	39	34	23	17	9	25	16	11
17. Keisha Lance Bottoms								
Total	39	35	23	16	7	28	13	13
50+	37	40	23	14	8	32	11	12
18. Mike Collins								
Total	31	30	16	15	9	21	21	18
50+	38	30	21	17	8	22	19	12
19. Jon Ossoff								
Total	46	36	35	12	8	28	13	5
50+	42	45	35	8	7	38	9	4
20. The Republican Party								
Total	41	47	24	17	10	38	10	2
50+	50	43	32	18	9	34	6	2
21. The Democratic Party								
Total	44	46	23	21	10	36	9	2
50+	41	51	24	17	6	45	7	2



22. If the election for Governor were held today and the candidates were (ROTATE) Rick Jackson, the Republican and Keisha Lance Bottoms, the Democrat, for whom would you vote?

(ASK OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY "UNDECIDED" IN PREVIOUS QUESTION)

23. Just for the purposes of this survey, if you had to decide today, do you think you would vote for (ROTATE) Rick Jackson, the Republican, or Keisha Lance Bottoms, the Democrat?

	Total	50+
TOTAL KEISHA LANCE BOTTOMS	48	42
TOTAL RICK JACKSON	46	55
Definitely Bottoms	40	35
Probably Bottoms	8	6
Lean Bottoms	1	1
Lean Jackson	1	1
Probably Jackson	10	7
Definitely Jackson	34	46
Other/Someone Else	0	0
Not Sure/Undecided	5	3

24. If the election for U.S. Senate were held today and the candidates were (ROTATE) Mike Collins, the Republican and Jon Ossoff, the Democrat, for whom would you vote?

(ASK OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY "UNDECIDED" IN PREVIOUS QUESTION)

25. Just for the purposes of this survey, if you had to decide today, do you think you would vote for (ROTATE) Mike Collins, the Republican, or Jon Ossoff, the Democrat?

	Total	50+
TOTAL JON OSSOFF	52	45
TOTAL MIKE COLLINS	43	53
Definitely Ossoff	44	40
Probably Ossoff	6	4
Lean Ossoff	1	1
Lean Collins	1	1
Probably Collins	8	8
Definitely Collins	35	44
Other/Someone Else	0	-
Not Sure/Undecided	5	3



26. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Donald Trump is doing as President?

	Total	50+
TOTAL APPROVE	40	49
TOTAL DISAPPROVE	56	47
Strongly Approve	25	33
Somewhat Approve	15	16
Somewhat Disapprove	7	5
Strongly Disapprove	50	42
DK/Refused	4	3

27. Now specifically, from the following list, please tell me which issue is personally most important to you in deciding your vote this November?

(IF CHOICE MADE IN PREVIOUS QUESTION, ASK)

28. And which of the remaining issues would be next most important to you personally in deciding your vote this November?

	Total 1+2	Total 1st	50+ 1+2	50+ 1 st
Rising Prices And Affordability	39	21	35	16
Threats To Democracy	27	18	27	19
Immigration And Border Security	25	15	30	19
Taxes, Government Spending And Debt	22	10	22	9
Health Care	17	7	18	8
Social Security And Medicare	16	8	21	12
Foreign Policy And Military Defense	13	5	16	6
Jobs	11	4	6	2
Abortion And Reproductive Issues	7	3	5	2
Crime	6	2	6	2
Gun Control/Gun Rights	6	3	5	2
The Environment And Climate Change	5	2	3	1
Dk/Refused	3	2	3	3

29. How worried are you about your personal financial situation?

	Total	50+
TOTAL WORRIED	55	52
TOTAL NOT WORRIED	43	47
Very Worried	22	20
Somewhat Worried	33	31
Not Too Worried	27	27
Not Worried At All	16	20
DK/Refused	2	2



30. Which two of the following are you most concerned about in regard to rising prices and affordability? If you are not concerned about any rising prices, please just say so.
(RANDOMIZE 1-6) (ALLOW MAX TWO CHOICES)

	Total	50+
Groceries	49	48
Health Care	32	35
Housing	29	20
Gasoline	24	24
Utilities Like Electricity	19	19
Prescription Drugs	11	14
Not Concerned	7	7
Refused	1	2

31. A family caregiver is someone who provides care or assistance to an older or ill adult, or someone with a disability. Do you consider yourself to be a current or former family caregiver?

	Total	50+
TOTAL YES	43	53
Yes – Current	15	16
Yes – Former	19	26
Yes – Both Current and Former	9	11
No	57	47
Don't Know/Refused	1	1

**CONTINUE TO RESPONDENTS AGE 50 OR OLDER (BORN 1976 OR EARLIER)**

Please tell me how important each of the following issues are when deciding your vote this November: extremely important, very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important.

RANDOMIZE	Total Impt	Smwt Impt	Total Not Impt	Extre-mely Impt	Very Impt	Not Too Impt	Not At All Impt	DK/ Ref-used
32. Social Security								
50+	84	11	4	50	34	3	1	0
33. Medicare								
50+	79	14	5	47	32	4	1	1
34. Cost of prescription drugs								
50+	70	21	8	39	31	6	2	1
35. Policies to help seniors live independently at home as they age								
50+	75	19	5	42	33	4	1	1
36. Cost of health care								
50+	83	13	4	51	32	3	1	0
37. Rising prices for everyday essentials, like groceries and gasoline								
50+	83	13	4	52	31	3	1	0



Thinking about issues that could be addressed in Washington, for each of the following statements, please tell me if you would be more likely or less likely to vote for a candidate that advocated this position. If it would have no impact on your vote, just say so.

RANDOMIZE	Total More Likely	Total Less Likely	Much More Likely	Smwt More Likely	Smwt Less Likely	Much Less Likely	No Impact	Ref- used
38. Making sure workers get the Social Security they paid into and earned through a lifetime of hard work								
50+	92	2	77	15	2	1	4	1
39. Protecting Social Security from any cuts such as a reduction in payments, reducing annual increases or raising the retirement age								
50+	84	7	68	16	4	3	7	2
40. Provide support for unpaid family caregivers who are helping their loved ones live independently in their homes								
50+	75	10	45	31	7	3	14	1
41. Providing a tax credit for unpaid family caregivers who work to help cover the costs associated with caring for a family member								
50+	77	10	46	31	7	3	13	1
42. Provide paid leave so unpaid family caregivers can care for loved ones without losing their job or salary								
50+	72	11	46	25	8	3	17	1
43. Expand Medicare's ability to negotiate drug prices to help lower the costs of prescription drugs								
50+	87	6	61	26	4	2	7	1

44. How concerned are you about not having enough money saved for retirement? Would you say you are...

	50+
TOTAL CONCERNED	75
TOTAL NOT CONCERNED	17
Very Concerned	57
Somewhat Concerned	18
Not Too Concerned	9
Not Concerned At All	8
Not Sure	8
Refused	0



45. To what extent do you agree or disagree that state policy makers should work to ensure that Georgia's residential utility consumers do not pay for the costs of serving new large data centers?

	50+
TOTAL AGREE	85
TOTAL DISAGREE	10
Strongly Agree	71
Somewhat Agree	14
Somewhat Disagree	4
Strongly Disagree	6
Don't Know/Refused	5

46. After launching the Pathways to Coverage program in 2023, which expanded Georgia's Medicaid coverage to low-income adults with work requirements, fewer eligible adults signed up than expected, with paperwork cited as a main reason for the lower enrollment. Do you support or oppose reforming the program to keep the work requirement but with an easier reporting process?

	50+
TOTAL SUPPORT	66
TOTAL OPPOSE	17
Strongly Support	37
Somewhat Support	29
Somewhat Oppose	6
Strongly Oppose	11
Not Sure	15
Refused	2

CONTINUE TO ALL

47. Would you say you are (ROTATE) a Liberal, Moderate or a Conservative in your political beliefs?

	Total	50+
TOTAL CONSERVATIVE	40	50
MODERATE	26	25
TOTAL LIBERAL	25	19
Very Conservative	23	30
Somewhat Conservative	17	20
Somewhat Liberal	11	8
Very Liberal	14	10
Unsure/Don't Know/Refused	8	6



48. Which of the following best describes your current employment situation?

	Total	50+
Employed	58	43
Retired	27	46
Unemployed	7	6
Homemaker	5	4
Student	2	0
DK/Refused	1	1

CONTINUE TO RESPONDENTS AGE 50 OR OLDER (BORN 1976 OR EARLIER)

49. Is Social Security now, or do you expect it to be, a major source of income for your household, a minor source of income for your household, or not a source of income for your household?

	50+
Major Source	48
Minor Source	36
Not A Source	12
DK/Refused	4

50. Are you or another member of your household a member of AARP?

	50+
Yes	31
No	66
DK/Refused	3



51. Thank you for taking the time to answer this survey, which is being conducted on behalf of AARP. The overall results of the survey will be shared with the media. Would you be willing to speak with a reporter about your views on the upcoming election and the topics we discussed in this survey?

	50+
Yes	34
No	66

Media Market.

	Total	50+
Atlanta	69	67
Savannah	6	7
Macon	6	6
Jacksonville	2	2
Albany	3	4
Columbus	3	3
Dothan, AL	1	1
Thomasville	2	2
Augusta	4	4
Chattanooga	3	4
Greenville	1	1



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