



The SCAN Foundation  
 California Statewide Voter Survey  
**Toplines**

Field Dates: Thursday, June 18 through Monday, June 29, 2020  
 Universe: Among California voters  
 Language: English, Spanish  
 Methodology: Telephone via live interviewers (56.0% completed on mobile phones)  
 N = 1,000  
 Margin of Error = +/-3.1%

NOTE: Key takeaways and numbers are highlighted in **bold**. Other items (such as the proportion of those who skip a question, or measures of intensity) are presented in regular font.

Hello, may I speak with \_\_\_\_\_? [IF NOT AVAILABLE—SCHEDULE CALLBACK]  
 This is \_\_\_\_\_ with the Great West Policy Research Center, a regional opinion research organization. We are conducting a survey about California's aging population, health care and other issues facing our state and your local community. Your opinion is important and your responses will be kept entirely confidential. No one will try to sell you anything. This call is purely for research purposes and your participation is appreciated.

1. In your own words, what do you feel is the most important issue facing your community today?

<b>Coronavirus/COVID-19</b>	<b>21.5%</b>
<b>Government</b>	<b>14.9%</b>
<b>Police brutality/racial injustice/George Floyd</b>	<b>11.8%</b>
Economy/jobs	10.1%
Homelessness	7.2%
Public safety	5.6%
Healthcare	4.9%
Affordable housing	3.5%
Education/schools/higher education	3.2%
Environmental issues	2.3%
Poverty	2.0%
Moral issues	2.0%
Immigration	2.0%
Other	5.2%
Nothing/none	1.3%
Unsure/refused	2.5%

2. Since March, the Coronavirus crisis has hit older adults and people with chronic conditions particularly hard. At the same time, California's population is aging, bringing with it an increase in the number of people who need services and supports across the healthcare and social services



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system, but often who cannot afford or find available options. Do you feel that California is prepared to care for its growing aging population now and into the future?

<b>Yes</b>	<b>21.2%</b>
<b>No</b>	<b>54.7%</b>
Unsure/refused [DO NOT READ]	<b>23.0%</b>

3. Long-term care includes non-medical services and supports that aging Californians often need including help with things like eating, bathing, assisting with shopping, taking medications or doing household chores. Medicare does not cover these services. Most of the time, people and families have to pay out of their own pocket for this type of support which can be very expensive. How concerned are you personally about your ability to pay for your or your loved ones' long-term care in the future? [IF CONCERNED/NOT CONCERNED] And would you say that you are (very concerned/not at all concerned) or (somewhat concerned/not very concerned)?

<b>Concerned (NET)</b>	<b>70.4%</b>
Very concerned	42.5%
Somewhat concerned	27.9%
<b>Not concerned (NET)</b>	<b>24.9%</b>
Not at all concerned	10.8%
Not very concerned	14.1%
Unsure/refused [DO NOT READ]	4.7%

4. California's health and long-term care system is a maze of programs and services - not all of which are available throughout the state. Have you or a loved one tried to find assistance for an aging relative but were unable to get the services or supports you need?

<b>Yes</b>	<b>22.2%</b>
<b>No</b>	<b>66.9%</b>
Unsure/refused [DO NOT READ]	10.9%

5. Now I am going to read you a list of several issues that face California's aging population. Experts agree that each are important, but not everything can receive immediate attention from our state's policymakers. Please choose which three should be the TOP priorities that the governor and Legislature should address immediately for California's aging population?  
[ROTATE]

<b>Making healthcare and long-term care services more affordable</b>	<b>48.1%</b>
<b>Developing more affordable housing options</b>	<b>34.7%</b>



Improving care in nursing homes with more options for care in one's own home and community	24.3%
Fighting poverty among older adults and people with disabilities	23.5%
Ensuring that long-term care services are available in every community	21.8%
Building a high-quality workforce that is paid fairly for the services they deliver	19.4%
Supporting family caregivers	17.9%
Developing a system that is easy to navigate and the information and assistance that is most needed	17.4%
Preventing physical and financial abuse of aging Californians	17.1%
Developing more accessible transportation options	9.5%
Addressing isolation among older adults, magnified by the Coronavirus crisis	9.0%
Ensuring older adults have access to digital technology, including training and education	5.7%
Unsure/refused [DO NOT READ]	10.0%

6. Over the next decade, California's aging population will increase by four million. In 25 years, it will double. More than half will require some form of long-term care. Governor Newsom took bold action in June of last year by calling for the creation of a Master Plan for Aging to build “an age-friendly state so that all Californians can age with dignity and independence.” The Master Plan is currently in development and will be released later this year . Do you support California prioritizing implementing a Master Plan for Aging now, to address the needs of California’s aging population? [RECORD] [IF SUPPORT OR OPPOSE>>>] And would you say that you strongly (support/oppose) or somewhat (support/oppose)?

<b>Support (NET)</b>	<b>69.3%</b>
Strongly support	47.8%
Somewhat support	21.5%
<b>Oppose (NET)</b>	<b>15.8%</b>
Strongly oppose	10.7%
Somewhat oppose	5.1%
Unsure/refused [DO NOT READ]	14.9%

7. Nearly 40 percent of people working today have not saved any money for retirement, and the number of aging Californians living in poverty will rapidly increase in the near future. These aging Californians won’t be able to afford health care, food and even housing, with many slipping into homelessness. We also expect to see people's financial pictures worsen due to the economic strains of Coronavirus. Does knowing this make you more likely or less likely to support California prioritizing a Master Plan for Aging to address the needs of California’s aging population? [RECORD] [IF MORE LIKELY OR LESS LIKELY>>>] And would you say that you are much [more likely/less likely] or somewhat [more likely/less likely]?



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<b>More likely to support [NET]</b>		<b>61.5%</b>
Much more likely	41.9%	
Somewhat more likely	19.6%	
Makes no difference [DO NOT READ]		11.9%
<b>Less likely to support [NET]</b>		<b>14.5%</b>
Much less likely	8.9%	
Somewhat less likely	3.0%	
Unsure/refused [DO NOT READ]		12.1%

8. The Master Plan for Aging includes developing a system that is easy to navigate with the information and assistance that is most needed. Given the new realities of Coronavirus, how important do you feel it is to develop this system for our aging Californians? Would you say that it is very important, somewhat important, not very important or not at all important?

<b>Important (NET)</b>		<b>78.6%</b>
Very important	52.4%	
Somewhat important	26.2%	
<b>Unimportant (NET)</b>		<b>12.8%</b>
Not at all important	5.2%	
Not very important	7.6%	
Unsure/refused [DO NOT READ]		8.6%

9. Do you feel that the Coronavirus pandemic has made it more urgent for California’s elected leaders to focus on the Master Plan for Aging? [RECORD] [IF YES>>>] And would you say that it is much more or somewhat more urgent?

<b>Yes, more urgent (NET)</b>		<b>61.6%</b>
Much more	36.3%	
Somewhat more	25.3%	
<b>No, not more urgent</b>		<b>29.2%</b>
Unsure/refused [DO NOT READ]		9.2%

10. The Master Plan for Aging is expected to be released later this year. Following its release, do you feel that the state of California should be held accountable for, and invest in the Master Plan's goals and priorities?

<b>Yes</b>		<b>59.6%</b>
<b>No</b>		<b>17.4%</b>
Unsure/refused [DO NOT READ]		23.0%



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11. And finally, for demographic purposes only, which of the following best describes your ethnic background?

Latino/Hispanic	
White/Caucasian	27.0%
Black/African American	44.6%
Asian	5.5%
Mixed race	7.3%
Something else	2.4%
Refused [DO NOT READ]	3.2%

Thank you for your time. Have a great (day/evening).