

Q101: Overall, do you think each of the following situations in the area where you live (i.e., the City of Chicago or Chicagoland suburbs) is better, worse, or about the same compared to other places in the US?

Taxes and fees

	Total A	City of Chicago residents B	Cook County Suburb residents C
Total	N=1000	N=523	N=477
Total (Unweighted)	N=1000	N=546	N=454
Better	6%	6%	7%
About the same	28%	26%	30%
Worse	62%	64%	59%
Not at all sure	4%	4%	4%

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Q102: Overall, do you think each of the following situations in the area where you live is currently better, worse, or about the same compared to 1 year ago?

Taxes and fees

	Total A	City of Chicago residents B	Cook County Suburb residents C
Total	N=1000	N=523	N=477
Total (Unweighted)	N=1000	N=546	N=454
Better	5%	6%	4%
About the same	39%	38%	40%
Worse	53%	51%	55%
Not at all sure	4%	6% C	1%

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Q103: Which of the following situations in the area where you live are you concerned about?

	Total A	City of Chicago residents B	Cook County Suburb residents C
Total	N=1000	N=523	N=477
Total (Unweighted)	N=1000	N=546	N=454
Taxes and fees	66%	65%	67%
Public safety	55%	66% C	43%
Housing (e.g., affordability, availability)	50%	52%	48%
Local economy (e.g., health of businesses, job opportunities)	36%	36%	36%
Public education system (grades K-12) (e.g., funding, ratings)	26%	29% C	22%
Health and community resources (e.g., access to medical care, shelters)	25%	28%	22%
Social inequities (e.g., economic disparities, race relations)	25%	29% C	20%
Public transportation	22%	29% C	13%
Infrastructure (e.g., internet access, utilities)	18%	20%	15%
None of the above	6%	4%	8% B

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Q104: In general, how concerned are you about your personal financial situation (e.g., income and expenses, level of savings)?

	Total A	City of Chicago residents B	Cook County Suburb residents C
Total	N=1000	N=523	N=477
Total (Unweighted)	N=1000	N=546	N=454
Net: Concerned	74%	74%	73%
Very concerned	35%	38%	32%
Somewhat concerned	38%	36%	42%
Net: Not concerned	24%	24%	24%
Not very concerned	16%	16%	17%
Not at all concerned	8%	8%	8%
Prefer not to say	2%	2%	2%

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Q201: How confident are you in your understanding of each of the following?

How my local tax dollars are used (i.e., distributed by my local government)

	Total A	City of Chicago residents B	Cook County Suburb residents C
Total	N=1000	N=523	N=477
Total (Unweighted)	N=1000	N=546	N=454
Net: Confident	40%	38%	42%
Very confident	9%	10%	8%
Somewhat confident	31%	28%	34%
Net: Not confident	60%	62%	58%
Not very confident	35%	31%	39% B
Not at all confident	26%	32% C	19%

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Q201: How confident are you in your understanding of each of the following?

Which group(s) charges the taxes I pay (i.e., whether a tax is local, state, or federal)

	Total A	City of Chicago residents B	Cook County Suburb residents C
Total	N=1000	N=523	N=477
Total (Unweighted)	N=1000	N=546	N=454
Net: Confident	49%	47%	51%
Very confident	11%	12%	10%
Somewhat confident	38%	35%	41%
Net: Not confident	51%	53%	49%
Not very confident	31%	29%	32%
Not at all confident	20%	23% C	16%

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Q201: How confident are you in your understanding of each of the following?

The types of local taxes I pay (e.g., income, sales, property)

	Total A	City of Chicago residents B	Cook County Suburb residents C
Total	N=1000	N=523	N=477
Total (Unweighted)	N=1000	N=546	N=454
Net: Confident	53%	52%	55%
Very confident	14%	15%	14%
Somewhat confident	39%	37%	42%
Net: Not confident	47%	48%	45%
Not very confident	28%	26%	31%
Not at all confident	18%	23% C	13%

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Q201: How confident are you in your understanding of each of the following?

How much I pay in local taxes (e.g., tax rates, total tax expense)

	Total A	City of Chicago residents B	Cook County Suburb residents C
Total	N=1000	N=523	N=477
Total (Unweighted)	N=1000	N=546	N=454
Net: Confident	52%	49%	55%
Very confident	17%	17%	17%
Somewhat confident	35%	31%	38% b
Net: Not confident	48%	51%	45%
Not very confident	30%	30%	31%
Not at all confident	18%	22% c	14%

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Q201: How confident are you in your understanding of each of the following?

Tax proposals being considered by my local government

	Total A	City of Chicago residents B	Cook County Suburb residents C
Total	N=1000	N=523	N=477
Total (Unweighted)	N=1000	N=546	N=454
Net: Confident	35%	38%	33%
Very confident	8%	9%	7%
Somewhat confident	27%	29%	26%
Net: Not confident	65%	62%	67%
Not very confident	40%	33%	48% B
Not at all confident	25%	29% C	19%

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Q202: In your opinion, which of the following community resources and investments do you want to be funded using revenue collected from local taxes?

	Total A	City of Chicago residents B	Cook County Suburb residents C
Total	N=1000	N=523	N=477
Total (Unweighted)	N=1000	N=546	N=454
Public education system (grades K-12)	54%	50%	57%
City services and maintenance (e.g., sanitation, park upkeep)	53%	53%	54%
Infrastructure (e.g., utilities, roads)	47%	44%	51%
Housing (e.g., affordability, availability)	46%	48%	44%
Social services (e.g., shelters, food banks)	46%	45%	46%
Public transportation	36%	44% C	28%
Policing initiatives	34%	34%	34%
Urban development and revitalization initiatives	29%	31%	27%
Government expenses (e.g., salaries, budget deficit)	24%	25%	23%
Non-police public safety initiatives	24%	24%	23%
Something not listed here	4%	3%	5%
None	7%	8%	5%

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Q203: Which of the following community resources and investments would you be willing to pay an increase in local taxes (e.g., higher rates, additional taxes) to fund?

	Total A	City of Chicago residents B	Cook County Suburb residents C
Total	N=1000	N=523	N=477
Total (Unweighted)	N=1000	N=546	N=454
Public education system (grades K-12)	32%	31%	32%
Housing (e.g., affordability, availability)	28%	27%	28%
Social services (e.g., shelters, food banks)	27%	31% C	23%
Infrastructure (e.g., utilities, roads)	23%	23%	22%
City services and maintenance (e.g., sanitation, park upkeep)	23%	23%	22%
Policing initiatives	19%	16%	23% B
Urban development and revitalization initiatives	18%	21% C	15%
Public transportation	16%	21% C	11%
Non-police public safety initiatives	13%	12%	13%
Government expenses (e.g., salaries, budget deficit)	8%	11% C	6%
Something not listed here	2%	3%	2%
None	32%	31%	34%

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Q204: Which of the following statements do you agree with?

	Total A	City of Chicago residents B	Cook County Suburb residents C
Total	N=1000	N=523	N=477
Total (Unweighted)	N=1000	N=546	N=454
Essential purchases (e.g., food, basic utilities) should be taxed at a lower rate than non-essential purchases.	66%	66%	66%
Large businesses should have to pay taxes that small businesses do not (e.g., higher rates, additional types).	45%	48%	42%
Commercial property taxes should be higher than residential property taxes.	44%	43%	45%
I would consider moving to another area if my local taxes (e.g., purchase-related tax rates, assessed property or income taxes) increase.	39%	36%	42%
Sales tax should apply to the purchase of goods.	39%	41%	36%
Sales tax should apply to the purchase of services.	18%	18%	18%
None of the above	7%	8%	6%

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Q205: How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

I would support an increase in purchase-related taxes (e.g., higher sales tax rate, taxed on more products or services) over an increase in larger assessed taxes (e.g., income, property).

	Total A	City of Chicago residents B	Cook County Suburb residents C
Total	N=1000	N=523	N=477
Total (Unweighted)	N=1000	N=546	N=454
Net: Agree	40%	40%	40%
Strongly agree	7%	8%	5%
Somewhat agree	34%	32%	35%
Net: Disagree	60%	60%	60%
Somewhat disagree	28%	29%	27%
Strongly disagree	31%	30%	32%

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Q205: How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

I would be willing to pay more in taxes if I supported how the money was used.

	Total A	City of Chicago residents B	Cook County Suburb residents C
Total	N=1000	N=523	N=477
Total (Unweighted)	N=1000	N=546	N=454
Net: Agree	60%	63%	56%
Strongly agree	17%	18%	16%
Somewhat agree	43%	45%	40%
Net: Disagree	40%	37%	44%
Somewhat disagree	19%	17%	22%
Strongly disagree	21%	20%	22%

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Q205: How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

I would be willing to pay more in taxes if I was confident the money would be used to fund resources I use or benefit from.

	Total A	City of Chicago residents B	Cook County Suburb residents C
Total	N=1000	N=523	N=477
Total (Unweighted)	N=1000	N=546	N=454
Net: Agree	65%	65%	64%
Strongly agree	19%	19%	19%
Somewhat agree	46%	46%	46%
Net: Disagree	35%	35%	36%
Somewhat disagree	16%	15%	18%
Strongly disagree	19%	20%	18%

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Q205: How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

I trust my local government to use my tax dollars in a way I support.

	Total A	City of Chicago residents B	Cook County Suburb residents C
Total	N=1000	N=523	N=477
Total (Unweighted)	N=1000	N=546	N=454
Net: Agree	33%	31%	35%
Strongly agree	6%	7%	6%
Somewhat agree	27%	24%	29%
Net: Disagree	67%	69%	65%
Somewhat disagree	31%	28%	33%
Strongly disagree	36%	41% C	31%

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Q205: How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

I trust the state government to use my tax dollars in a way I support.

	Total A	City of Chicago residents B	Cook County Suburb residents C
Total	N=1000	N=523	N=477
Total (Unweighted)	N=1000	N=546	N=454
Net: Agree	33%	33%	32%
Strongly agree	6%	8% C	4%
Somewhat agree	27%	26%	28%
Net: Disagree	67%	67%	68%
Somewhat disagree	30%	29%	31%
Strongly disagree	37%	37%	37%

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Q205: How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

I trust the federal government to use my tax dollars in a way I support.

	Total A	City of Chicago residents B	Cook County Suburb residents C
Total	N=1000	N=523	N=477
Total (Unweighted)	N=1000	N=546	N=454
Net: Agree	28%	32% c	24%
Strongly agree	6%	7%	4%
Somewhat agree	22%	25%	20%
Net: Disagree	72%	68%	76% b
Somewhat disagree	32%	30%	34%
Strongly disagree	40%	39%	42%

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Q206: In your opinion, which of the following should your local government do to support its budget (e.g., balance deficits, fund expenses)?

	Total A	City of Chicago residents B	Cook County Suburb residents C
Total	N=1000	N=523	N=477
Total (Unweighted)	N=1000	N=546	N=454
Decrease government spending	56%	51%	62% B
Net: Increase non-resident fees	43%	47% C	38%
Increase taxes and fees impacting non-residents (e.g., tourism charges, higher sales tax rate compared to residents)	30%	35% C	23%
Increase taxes and fees on businesses	27%	28%	26%
Net: Increased resident fees	28%	31% C	25%
Increase larger assessed taxes and fees (e.g., income, property)	13%	17% C	9%
Increase fees charged for government services	13%	12%	14%
Increase purchase-related taxes and fees (e.g., higher sales tax rate, taxed on more products or services)	11%	12%	10%
Something not listed here	8%	7%	9%
Not at all sure	16%	18%	14%

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