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| 800 Adults | All | Gender | | Age | | | Race | | | | Parent Of School | |
|-----------------------------------|------|--------|--------|-------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|-------|------------------|------|
| | | Male | Female | 18-34 | 35-49 | 50+ | White | Black | Hispani | Other | Yes | No |
| Margin of Sampling Error: +/-3.4% | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| All On Same Day | 61% | 59% | 64% | 53% | 62% | 67% | 58% | 80% | 51% | 78% | 60% | 62% |
| Schools Should Decide | 34% | 36% | 32% | 43% | 32% | 28% | 38% | 17% | 11% | 20% | 33% | 34% |
| Not Sure | 5% | 6% | 4% | 4% | 6% | 5% | 5% | 2% | 39% | 2% | 6% | 4% |
| Total | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Composition of Adults | 100% | 48% | 52% | 32% | 29% | 39% | 81% | 15% | 2% | 2% | 42% | 58% |

2 When should the school year begin? After Labor Day? During the last week of August? Around August 15? Or earlier in August?

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| | | Male | Female | 18-34 | 35-49 | 50+ | White | Black | Hispani | Other | Yes | No |
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| After Labor Day | 51% | 52% | 51% | 39% | 46% | 65% | 52% | 48% | 36% | 57% | 45% | 56% |
| Last Week In Aug | 20% | 19% | 21% | 25% | 19% | 17% | 22% | 10% | 44% | 16% | 21% | 20% |
| August 15 | 20% | 21% | 20% | 29% | 22% | 11% | 18% | 35% | 20% | 23% | 23% | 18% |
| Earlier | 6% | 6% | 6% | 5% | 11% | 4% | 6% | 7% | 0% | 3% | 9% | 4% |
| Not Sure | 2% | 2% | 2% | 1% | 2% | 2% | 2% | 1% | 0% | 1% | 2% | 2% |
| Total | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
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| | | Male | Female | 18-34 | 35-49 | 50+ | White | Black | Hispani | Other | Yes | No |
| Margin of Sampling Error: +/-3.4% | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Long Summer / Traditional Holidays | 65% | 70% | 61% | 65% | 68% | 64% | 66% | 57% | 86% | 71% | 66% | 65% |
| Short Summer / More Breaks | 30% | 25% | 34% | 30% | 29% | 29% | 30% | 29% | 14% | 21% | 31% | 29% |
| Not Sure | 5% | 5% | 5% | 5% | 3% | 6% | 3% | 14% | 0% | 8% | 4% | 6% |
| Total | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
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| | | Male | Female | 18-34 | 35-49 | 50+ | White | Black | Hispani | Other | Yes | No |
| Margin of Sampling Error: +/-3.5% | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Too Early | 23% | 25% | 21% | 19% | 25% | 26% | 23% | 25% | 10% | 48% | 23% | 24% |
| Too Late | 19% | 19% | 18% | 27% | 15% | 15% | 18% | 18% | 38% | 15% | 20% | 17% |
| Just The Right Time | 55% | 53% | 57% | 53% | 59% | 54% | 56% | 56% | 39% | 37% | 56% | 55% |
| Not Sure | 3% | 2% | 4% | 2% | 2% | 5% | 3% | 1% | 13% | 1% | 1% | 5% |
| Total | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
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|-----------------------------------|------|--------|--------|-------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|-------|------------------|------|
| | | Male | Female | 18-34 | 35-49 | 50+ | White | Black | Hispani | Other | Yes | No |
| Margin of Sampling Error: +/-3.1% | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Never Asked For / Never Given | 74% | 78% | 71% | 73% | 71% | 78% | 76% | 67% | 67% | 63% | 72% | 76% |
| Gave Without Being Asked | 8% | 8% | 7% | 9% | 8% | 7% | 8% | 5% | 1% | 21% | 9% | 7% |
| Asked For / Never Given | 3% | 2% | 4% | 3% | 4% | 2% | 2% | 6% | 0% | 1% | 3% | 3% |
| Asked For / Given | 12% | 9% | 14% | 11% | 13% | 11% | 11% | 18% | 6% | 7% | 13% | 11% |
| Not Sure | 3% | 3% | 3% | 4% | 4% | 2% | 2% | 4% | 27% | 8% | 4% | 2% |
| Total | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
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| | | Male | Female | 18-34 | 35-49 | 50+ | White | Black | Hispani | Other | Yes | No |
| Margin of Sampling Error: +/-3.5% | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Support | 53% | 53% | 52% | 55% | 48% | 55% | 52% | 54% | 54% | 72% | 53% | 53% |
| Oppose | 34% | 35% | 34% | 37% | 33% | 34% | 37% | 22% | 43% | 17% | 34% | 35% |
| Not Sure | 13% | 12% | 13% | 8% | 19% | 12% | 11% | 24% | 2% | 11% | 13% | 12% |
| Total | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
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All Questions Crosstabbed By All Questions

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|-----------------------------------|------|--------------------------|---------|---------|-------------------------|--------|--------|---------|---------|------------------------|---------|---------|--------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| | | All On | Schools | Not Sur | After La | Last W | August | Earlier | Not Sur | Long S | Short S | Not Sur | Too Ear | Too Lat | Just Th | Not Sur |
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| All On Same Day | 61% | - | - | - | 66% | 52% | 60% | 62% | 46% | 62% | 59% | 70% | 77% | 51% | 59% | 49% |
| Schools Should Decide | 34% | - | - | - | 30% | 39% | 35% | 38% | 45% | 33% | 37% | 23% | 19% | 43% | 37% | 37% |
| Not Sure | 5% | - | - | - | 5% | 8% | 4% | 0% | 9% | 5% | 4% | 7% | 4% | 6% | 5% | 14% |
| Total | 100% | | | | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Composition of Adults | 100% | | | | 51% | 20% | 20% | 6% | 2% | 65% | 30% | 5% | 23% | 19% | 55% | 3% |

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|-----------------------------------|------|--------------------------|--------|-------|-------|---------|------------------------|--------|---------|
| | | Never A | Gave W | Asked | Asked | Not Sur | Support | Oppose | Not Sur |
| Margin of Sampling Error: +/-3.4% | | | | | | | | | |
| All On Same Day | 61% | 63% | 63% | 55% | 51% | 55% | 67% | 50% | 67% |
| Schools Should Decide | 34% | 32% | 36% | 29% | 47% | 15% | 28% | 45% | 24% |
| Not Sure | 5% | 4% | 2% | 16% | 3% | 30% | 4% | 5% | 8% |
| Total | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Composition of Adults | 100% | 74% | 8% | 3% | 12% | 3% | 53% | 34% | 13% |

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| After Labor Day | 51% | 55% | 45% | 48% | - | - | - | - | - | 57% | 39% | 49% | 65% | 45% | 49% | 37% |
| Last Week In Aug | 20% | 17% | 24% | 33% | - | - | - | - | - | 22% | 17% | 15% | 11% | 29% | 21% | 34% |
| August 15 | 20% | 20% | 21% | 16% | - | - | - | - | - | 17% | 27% | 19% | 16% | 16% | 24% | 5% |
| Earlier | 6% | 6% | 7% | 0% | - | - | - | - | - | 2% | 14% | 11% | 8% | 8% | 5% | 4% |
| Not Sure | 2% | 1% | 3% | 3% | - | - | - | - | - | 1% | 3% | 5% | 0% | 2% | 2% | 20% |
| Total | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | | | | | | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Composition of Adults | 100% | 61% | 34% | 5% | | | | | | 65% | 30% | 5% | 23% | 19% | 55% | 3% |

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| After Labor Day | 51% | 53% | 55% | 42% | 48% | 34% | 54% | 54% | 33% |
| Last Week In Aug | 20% | 19% | 26% | 18% | 17% | 39% | 24% | 15% | 21% |
| August 15 | 20% | 20% | 12% | 36% | 25% | 7% | 19% | 18% | 33% |
| Earlier | 6% | 5% | 6% | 3% | 10% | 7% | 3% | 10% | 9% |
| Not Sure | 2% | 2% | 1% | 0% | 0% | 12% | 1% | 3% | 5% |
| Total | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Composition of Adults | 100% | 74% | 8% | 3% | 12% | 3% | 53% | 34% | 13% |

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| Long Summer / Traditional Holidays | 65% | 66% | 64% | 68% | 72% | 71% | 56% | 23% | 49% | - | - | - | 61% | 68% | 68% | 41% |
| Short Summer / More Breaks | 30% | 29% | 32% | 25% | 23% | 25% | 39% | 68% | 39% | - | - | - | 35% | 27% | 27% | 43% |
| Not Sure | 5% | 6% | 3% | 7% | 5% | 4% | 5% | 10% | 12% | - | - | - | 4% | 5% | 5% | 16% |
| Total | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | | | | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
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| Long Summer / Traditional Holidays | 65% | 67% | 70% | 49% | 54% | 60% | 68% | 65% | 57% |
| Short Summer / More Breaks | 30% | 28% | 26% | 38% | 40% | 28% | 27% | 32% | 32% |
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| Too Late | 19% | 15% | 24% | 23% | 16% | 26% | 14% | 24% | 23% | 19% | 17% | 19% | - | - | - | - |
| Just The Right Time | 55% | 53% | 60% | 51% | 52% | 56% | 66% | 45% | 44% | 57% | 51% | 54% | - | - | - | - |
| Not Sure | 3% | 3% | 4% | 9% | 2% | 5% | 1% | 2% | 33% | 2% | 5% | 10% | - | - | - | - |
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| Just The Right Time | 55% | 55% | 43% | 75% | 55% | 66% | 53% | 53% | 68% |
| Not Sure | 3% | 3% | 3% | 0% | 2% | 6% | 2% | 3% | 7% |
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| Asked For / Never Given | 3% | 2% | 2% | 9% | 2% | 3% | 5% | 1% | 0% | 2% | 4% | 7% | 1% | 3% | 4% | 0% |
| Asked For / Given | 12% | 10% | 17% | 6% | 11% | 10% | 15% | 20% | 0% | 10% | 16% | 14% | 11% | 14% | 12% | 7% |
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| Asked For / Never Given | 3% | - | - | - | - | - | 3% | 2% | 5% |
| Asked For / Given | 12% | - | - | - | - | - | 11% | 14% | 12% |
| Not Sure | 3% | - | - | - | - | - | 1% | 5% | 8% |
| Total | 100% | | | | | | 100% | 100% | 100% |
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| Margin of Sampling Error: +/-3.5% | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Support | 53% | 58% | 44% | 44% | 56% | 62% | 50% | 24% | 17% | 55% | 49% | 52% | 62% | 49% | 51% | 40% | |
| Oppose | 34% | 28% | 46% | 35% | 36% | 25% | 30% | 58% | 49% | 34% | 38% | 20% | 31% | 43% | 33% | 31% | |
| Not Sure | 13% | 14% | 9% | 20% | 8% | 13% | 20% | 18% | 34% | 11% | 14% | 28% | 7% | 8% | 16% | 29% | |
| Total | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | |
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| Support | 53% | 56% | 51% | 53% | 47% | 16% | - | - | - |
| Oppose | 34% | 33% | 38% | 23% | 40% | 52% | - | - | - |
| Not Sure | 13% | 11% | 11% | 24% | 13% | 32% | - | - | - |
| Total | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | | | |
| Composition of Adults | 100% | 74% | 8% | 3% | 12% | 3% | | | |

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