Polling: Voters Strongly Oppose the Supreme Court Overturning Roe v. Wade and Abortion Bans

To: Interested Parties
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Since the leak of the draft Supreme Court opinion showing its plans to overturn Roe v. Wade, we’ve seen significant outrage and anger. People are concerned about what this decision would mean for their right to abortion, their ability to control their own bodies and lives, and what other freedoms will be next. As we await a decision that could take a constitutional right away from 36 million women, and other people who can get pregnant, living in 26 states that are likely to move to ban abortion, it is clear that people strongly oppose the overturning of Roe v. Wade. Voters are paying attention, and both the Court’s decision and how their representatives respond will influence how they vote in November.

Voters overwhelmingly oppose a decision to overturn Roe v. Wade as the Supreme Court prepares to go against the will of the people.

- Consistently, there is 2 to 1 opposition to overturn Roe v. Wade among voters.
- Eighty percent of voters say the decision to have an abortion should be left to a woman and their doctor, with only 9% saying the decision should be left to politicians and the government.

Voters have heard about the leaked draft opinion with plans to overturn Roe v. Wade and are angry, scared, surprised, frustrated, and concerned about what is next.

- Seventy-three percent of voters have heard a lot or some about the leaked draft opinion with plans to overturn Roe.
- Voters are feeling a mix of emotions after hearing that Roe v. Wade may be overturned including 52% feeling surprised, 47% feeling anger, 44% feeling scared, and 43% feeling frustrated.
- Fifty-seven percent of women under 45 said they are worried about their access to birth control if SCOTUS overturns or limits Roe v. Wade.

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- Seventy-one percent of voters believe the right to abortion is at risk nationwide.
- Thirty-seven percent of voters, including 56% of Democrats, say that they will be civically engaged on abortion rights in at least one way.

Voters are strongly opposed to a nationwide abortion ban and describe Republicans who support these bills as harmful and out of touch.
• **Voters 2 to 1 oppose** a nationwide ban on abortion with only 12% of independents supporting a nationwide ban.

• Those who oppose a nationwide ban describe Republicans who support abortion bans as **harmful** (48%) and **out of touch** (43%).

• **Two-thirds of Americans** (63%) say they would be more likely to vote for a candidate in November who supports passing a law legalizing abortion to replace *Roe* if it is struck down.

People are ready to turn to voting to express their anger in November, supporting candidates who believe in the right to abortion and will fight for their rights.

• **Seventy-one percent of Democrats** and one-third of independents say they are more likely to vote in November because of the news that the Supreme Court could overturn *Roe v. Wade*

• Among voters, a Democrat who supports abortion access has a **19-point advantage** on a congressional ballot compared to a Republican who wants to ban abortion nationally. And among independents, the Democrat who supports abortion access has a 21-point lead.

• Americans say that **abortion is one of the most important** issues they are considering when they decide who to vote for in Congress this November.