

# Trans Attacks Research

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### **Key Findings - Polling**

- While trans rights and access remain a contested topic across the political spectrum, this research offers some insights and landscape understanding for addressing when it comes up.
- At a baseline, trans issues are seen as relatively less of a priority to voters than core kitchen table issues 94% prefer their representatives to focus on lowering the cost of living than on trans issues.
  - Disagreement with a candidate on trans issues is also seen as palatable by a plurality of voters, while ideological misalignment on abortion is not.
- However "Transgender women and girls who are biologically male being in locker rooms and bathrooms" is seen as a big problem facing communities by a 56% majority of voters, including 82% of Trump voters and 60% of swing voters.
  - Notably the issue does rank below average when it comes to the biggest safety threats to children, but is above average among Trump voters.
- This is largely reflected in the electorate being more centrist-to-conservative leaning on trans issues overall. In a battery of 17 stances on trans issues asking voters whether the statement is more liberal, more conservative, or about the same as their personal views:
  - Only 1 out of 5 liberal statements is above 50% on "about the same as my views", compared to 4 out of 7 moderate statements and 4 out 5
    conservative statements that a majority of voters said were about the same as their views.
  - Moderate statements with the highest agreement include parental control over children's medical decisions, and basic civil rights protection for trans individuals.
  - o On a similar theme, the only liberal stance with majority alignment is "transgender rights are human rights, and we should protect vulnerable people from discrimination".
  - Conservative statements that rose to the top include bathroom access based on biological sex, banning biological males from girls' and women's sports, and banning gender affirming medical procedures for children.

### **Key Findings - Messaging**

- Republican messaging against us on trans issues is one of their more effective attacks all 8 GOP messages tested were in the top 25% out of more than 50 messages, with movement on house vote choice ranging from -0.8pp to -1.1pp.
  - Attacks referencing what kids are being taught in school are also quite effective "Some Democrats want to include transgender issues in the public school curriculum, but REP\_OPPONENT believes children's innocence is worth protecting.
     Schools should be the last place where political ideology is being taught." (99th percentile)
  - o GOP messaging focused on children's safety in locker rooms is among the most effective "[Democratic Candidate] would allow biological men into girls' bathrooms and locker rooms where sexual assaults can happen." (95th percentile)
- Democratic messaging on trans issues is less effective relative to other topics and movement on house vote choice ranges from

   -0.3pp to 1.6pp. The most effective messages focus on safety, contrast with Republicans trying to distract from issues that matter
   most, and pivot to kitchen table issues.
  - "[Democratic Candidate] would never let dangerous predators regardless of gender take advantage of our children and will make sure schools and school sports are safe for our kids." (63rd percentile)
  - "Transgender people want what we all want: affordable healthcare and housing, access to healthy food, and a fair wage.
     [Democratic Candidate] works to make those dreams accessible to everyone, regardless of their identity." (58th percentile)
  - "[Democratic Candidate] is putting the safety of American kids first by protecting their access to health care and working to lower costs rather than getting caught up in distractions. Republicans are focusing on culture wars like trans issues as a way to avoid actually keeping kids safe." (54th percentile)

Overall issues relating to trans individuals are seen as a small or minimal problem by a majority of voters; however a 56% majority see locker room rules specifically as a big problem, particularly among Trump voters

53% of voters overall say issues related to trans individuals are either a small problem or not a real problem at all. This includes 65% of Harris voters.

However 56% of voters overall, including 82% of Trump voters, say locker room access is a big problem facing many schools and communities.

#### Regardless of how you feel about the issue, would you say that issues related to transgender individuals are:

Response	Overall	Harris	Swing	Trump	Did not vote
A <b>big problem</b> facing many communities	36%	23%	36%	49%	29%
A <b>small problem</b> that rarely comes up for most communities	24%	24%	26%	24%	18%
<b>Not a real problem</b> at all, just something politicians use to score political points with their supporters	29%	41%	28%	16%	33%
Not sure	11%	11%	10%	11%	20%

#### Regardless of how you feel about the issue, would you say that <u>transgender girls and women who are</u> <u>biologically male being present in girls locker rooms</u> is:

Response	Overall	Harris	Swing	Trump	Did not vote
A <b>big problem</b> facing many schools and communities	56%	29%	60%	82%	47%
A <b>small problem</b> that rarely comes up for most schools and communities	17%	26%	17%	9%	20%
<b>Not a real problem</b> at all, just something politicians use to score political points with their supporters	20%	38%	15%	3%	17%
Not sure	7%	7%	8%	6%	16%

### When looking specifically at children's safety, trans individuals' access to locker rooms and sports are ranked near the bottom overall, but above average among Trump voters

Which of the following is the bigger safety issue facing children in America today?	Overall	Harris	Swing	Trump	Did not vote
Online predators and child exploitation	74%	72%	74%	76%	75%
Fentanyl and opioid overdoses	67%	61%	67%	72%	67%
Crime and/or drugs	67%	65%	66%	68%	67%
Mental health issues	66%	71%	67%	61%	66%
Guns and gun violence	63%	77%	64%	49%	65%
Bullying and cyberbullying	62%	65%	62%	59%	64%
Smart phones and social media	53%	51%	54%	56%	53%
Declining academic achievement	50%	48%	50%	51%	48%
Rising food costs	47%	56%	48%	40%	49%
Threats of war and terrorism attacks on the US	46%	47%	45%	45%	47%
Pandemics and biological threats like diseases	45%	51%	44%	38%	45%
Transgender women and girls who are biologically male being in locker rooms and bathrooms	43%	28%	43%	58%	42%
Unhealthy food	41%	42%	41%	40%	40%
The growing expansion of AI	38%	39%	39%	38%	38%
Illegal immigrants	33%	21%	31%	44%	29%
Biological males competing in girls' sports	32%	22%	31%	42%	30%
Climate change	27%	38%	26%	16%	25%

# Relative to cost of living, trans issues and sports access are seen as a significantly lower issue priority for elected officials to spend time on

#### Which of the following issues is more important for your elected representatives to focus on?

Response	Overall	Harris	Swing	Trump	Did not vote
Transgender issues	4%	2%	4%	6%	2%
Cost of living	94%	97%	95%	91%	94%
Not sure	2%	1%	2%	3%	3%

94% of voters believe it is more important for elected representatives to focus on the cost of living than on trans issues (4%) or trans sports participation (4%).

#### Which of the following issues is more important for your elected representatives to focus on?

Response	Overall	Harris	Swing	Trump	Did not vote
Trans youth in sports	4%	1%	3%	6%	4%
Cost of living	94%	96%	94%	91%	91%
Not sure	3%	3%	3%	3%	5%

## When it comes to supporting a candidate who doesn't align completely, voters are more likely to compromise on views on trans issues and less likely to do the same on abortion

When asked to choose between a candidate who will lower the cost of living but doesn't align on issues surrounding transgender
Americans, a 45% plurality of voters choose lowering the cost of living over full alignment on social issues.

However for abortion, voters are more evenly divided.

#### If you had to choose, which is more important to you?

Response	Overall	Harris	Swing	Trump	Did not vote
Voting for a candidate who will lower the cost of living, even if they do not align with your views on issues surrounding transgender Americans	45%	49%	44%	41%	46%
Voting for a candidate who shares your views on issues surrounding transgender Americans, even if their policies would raise the cost of living	30%	29%	32%	32%	22%
Not sure	25%	22%	24%	27%	32%

#### If you had to choose, which is more important to you?

Response	Overall	Harris	Swing	Trump	Did not vote
Voting for a candidate who will lower the cost of living, even if they do not align with your views on issues like <b>abortion access</b>	38%	35%	38%	40%	42%
Voting for a candidate who shares your views on issues like <b>abortion access</b> , even if their policies would raise the cost of living	43%	47%	41%	39%	27%
Not sure	19%	17%	20%	21%	31%

In a battery of 17 statements about trans issues voters were asked to rate the statement as too liberal, too conservative or about the same as their own views; moderate and conservative statements have the highest alignment with voters' own views

Political Lean		About the same as my
of Statement	If a Democrat running for Congress were to say [STATEMENT], how would that align with your views?	views
Moderate	parents, not politicians, should make medical decisions for their children in consultation with doctors	75%
Moderate	we should focus on treating people with dignity and respect, even when we disagree about gender identity	72%
Conservative	bathroom access should be based on biological sex to protect women and girls	64%
Moderate	transgender Americans deserve the same civil rights protections as everyone else when it comes to housing, employment, and public accommodations	64%
Conservative	biological males should not be allowed to compete in women's sports, period	63%
Conservative	the Federal government should set standards in schools to ban biological males from playing in girls' sports and to protect our students	62%
Conservative	we should ban all gender-affirming medical procedures for anyone under 18	58%
Moderate	we need common-sense rules that balance inclusion with fairness in women's sports	51%
Liberal	transgender rights are human rights, and we should protect vulnerable people from discrimination	50%
Moderate	the Federal government should stay out of transgender issues in schools and leave it to local communities and law enforcement to protect our kids	41%
Moderate	we should have more single-stall, all-gender bathrooms available as an option for everyone	39%
Conservative	we need to protect religious freedom and conscience rights, even if that means some businesses can refuse service to transgender customers	39%
Moderate	the Federal government should stay out of transgender issues in schools and leave it to local communities and school officials to decide	38%
Liberal	transgender youth should have access to gender-affirming medical care with parental consent and guidance from medical professionals	36%
Liberal	transgender people should be able to use the bathroom that matches their gender identity	29%
Liberal	transgender minors should be able to access puberty blockers and hormone therapy after thorough medical evaluation	25%
Liberal	transgender athletes should be able to compete in sports consistent with their gender identity	20%

### Statements about <u>discrimination</u> are most highly aligned with personal views, particularly more moderate statements around treating people with dignity and basic civil rights protections

If a Democrat running for Congress were to say [STATEMENT], how would that align with your views?	More liberal than my views	About the same as my views	More conservative than my views	Not sure
parents, not politicians, should make medical decisions for their children in consultation with doctors	8%	75%	5%	11%
we should focus on treating people with dignity and respect, even when we disagree about gender identity	15%	72%	4%	8%
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## In terms of <u>bathroom access</u>, a conservative frame of access based on biological sex has the highest alignment with personal views

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### On <u>children transitioning</u>, parents making medical decisions for their children has the highest level of agreement; gender-affirming care for youth is seen as more liberal than personal views overall

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### The electorate is also more conservative on <u>sports access</u> - statements supporting biological sports access have much stronger alignment

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### The strongest Democratic messages on trans issues focus on safety, contrast with Republicans trying to distract from issues that matter most, and pivot to kitchen table issues

Democrats say you should support [DEM CANDIDATE] because...

House Vote Choice Dem Percentile

Message

Econ Only; No Trans Mention	Crushing Inflation	they are fighting to bring costs down for Americans. Inflation is crushing Americans right now. No matter where you look, prices are up. Housing, groceries, gas, and electronics aren't getting any cheaper. CANDIDATE knows this is unsustainable	1.9%	87%
		for working families and is working to bring costs down any way possible.	1.970	67%
		they have worked with law enforcement officers to put criminals who prey on our children behind bars. CANDIDATE would		
ard Moderation	Dem Tough on Crime A	never let dangerous predators take advantage of our children and will make sure schools and schools sports are safe for	1.6%	77%
		our kids.		
		they have worked with law enforcement officers to put criminals who prey on our children behind bars. CANDIDATE would be a substitute of the contract of		
ard Moderation	Dem Tough on Crime B	never let dangerous predators - regardless of gender - take advantage of our children and will <b>make sure schools and</b>	1.3%	63%
		school sports are safe for our kids.		
	Liberalism Lean Pivot to Econ	they are <b>protecting the rights and opportunities of all people no matter what they look like.</b> Transgender people want		
iberalism Lean		what we all want: affordable healthcare and housing, access to healthy food, and a fair wage. CANDIDATE works to make	1.3%	58%
		those dreams accessible to everyone, regardless of their identity.		
		they are <b>putting the safety of American kids first</b> by protecting their access to health care and working to lower costs		
iberalism Lean	Safety Distractions	rather than getting caught up in distractions. <b>Republicans are focusing on culture wars like trans issues</b> as a way to	1.2%	54%
		avoid actually keeping kids safe.		
	·- ·- ·- ·- ·- ·- ·-	attacks against transgender Americans are just distractions from the issues that really matter. Inflation is crushing		
ard Moderation	Distractions (Pivot to other	Americans right now. No matter where you look, prices are up. At the same time, Donald Trump and Republicans are making	11%	49%
	issues) V2 Trump	it worse with their tariffs and cutting healthcare subsidies so you pay more for everyday goods and medical expenses while		
		the wealthy get tax cuts. They know this is unpopular and will create any distraction necessary to hide their actions.		
ard Moderation	Dem parent	they are a parent of school-age children and they understand how to keep our kids safe at school. CANDIDATE will work	0.9%	37%
		with local communities and schools to protect our kids and to ensure school sports are fair for everyone.		
	Shankariana Ilania manala alam	adults, school boards, and communities should be in charge of what happens in their own lives, not politicians in	0.007	770/
ard Moderation L	libertarians - leave people alone	Washington. CANDIDATE believes in keeping the government out of people's personal decisions. Local communities know what works best for their families and schools better than Washington D.C. bureaucrats telling everyone what to do.	0.8%	33%
		Republicans don't actually want to protect kids — they want to scare you for political gain. While they manufacture outrage about transgender issues, they're slashing school funding, blocking gun safety laws, and cutting children's healthcare. If		
ard Moderation	GOP scare tactics - kids' safety	protecting kids was their real priority, they'd focus on threats that actually harm children every day, not invented culture was	0.7%	29%
		distractions.		
Soft Moderation	Children of God No Trans Mention (Andy Beshear)	their faith teaches them that all children are children of God. Children should be protected from legislatures and		
		government officials who want to restrict their rights. Instead of showing children hate, CANDIDATE believes we should be	0.6%	23%
		showing them love. No matter what our children identify as, they are still American children and deserve respect.	0.070	20/0
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# Democratic messages that downplay the importance of trans issues or contain abstract appeals to fairness are particularly ineffective

	Message	Democrats say you should support [DEM CANDIDATE] because	House Vote Choice	Dem Percentile
Hard Moderation	GOP scare tactics	Republicans use scare tactics to distract you from their failures. They don't actually want to protect kids — they want political talking points. While they fearmonger about bathrooms, they're cutting healthcare, raising your costs with tariffs, and giving tax breaks to billionaires. Don't fall for manufactured outrage designed to hide their terrible policies that directly harm you and your family.	0.6%	21%
Soft Moderation	Dignity	they believe in protecting the dignity of every individual, regardless of their identity. This includes transgender Americans who should have the same rights as everyone else: the right to access high quality healthcare, the right to pursue an education, the right to physical safety, and the right to choose to serve our nation in the military.	0.3%	9%
Liberalism Lean	Protecting Children from attac	they are protecting our children no matter what they look like. Today too many transgender children are being k dehumanized and as a result are in danger of vicious attacks or insults. CANDIDATE believes that no child should be subject to attack or insult because of how they identify. All children deserve to be safe.	t 0.3%	9%
Hard Moderation	Gun Safety Laws	Republicans don't actually want to protect kids – they are attacking transgender children because they're funded by gun lobbyists and refuse to pass common sense gun safety laws. If protecting kids was their real priority, they'd focus on <b>passing universal background checks on all gun purchases</b> and crack down on illegal gun traffickers.	0.1%	5%
Hard Moderation	Not a pressing issue	attacks against transgender Americans playing in sports are making a mountain out of molehill. According to the presiden of the NCAA, out of 510,000 athletes competing at the collegiate level, there are fewer than 10 who publicly identify as transgender. That's <b>0.001% of all athletes</b> . This is not a widespread issue. Americans have much bigger problems right now like inflation and cost of living. Politicians should be focused on that.	0.1%	4%
Soft Moderation	All Men Created Equal	as written in the Declaration of Independence, they believe that <b>all men are created equal.</b> This includes transgender Americans who should have the same rights as everyone else: the right to access high quality healthcare, the right to pursue an education, the right to physical safety, and the right to choose to serve our nation in the military.	0.1%	4%
Hard Moderation	Distractions (Pivot to other issues) – with stats	attacks against transgender Americans are just distractions from the issues that really matter. Inflation is crushing Americans right now. No matter where you look, prices are up. Housing, groceries, gas, and electronics aren't getting any cheaper and instead of thinking about that politicians want to make you angry about something that doesn't even affect us Out of 510,000 athletes competing at the collegiate level, there are fewer than 10 who publicly identify as transgender.	<b>0.1%</b> s.	4%
Liberalism Lean	Sports	they want <b>youth sports to be inclusive while protecting fair competition</b> for elite athletes. Transgender youth benefit from recreational sports like all children. This doesn't mean professional or competitive sports are a free-for-all. Kids shouldn't need a genital inspection to play t-ball, and youth sports should not be politicized.	-0.2%	1%
Hard Moderation	Local Community Issue	they believe the issue of <b>transgender children playing in sports leagues should be a local community issue</b> .  CANDIDATE believes that the federal government shouldn't be coming in and telling communities who should and shouldn't be allowed to play on sports teams. That's a local issue and each community should make rules as they see fit.	t -0.3%	1%

### Republican messages are overall fairly effective, particularly when focused on children's safety in locker rooms and what kids are being taught in schools

Message	Republicans say you should support [REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE] because		GOP Percentile
Ban treatments	they want to ban unscientific, experimental "treatments" backed by the pro-transgender Left that threaten our children.  Hormone treatments are poorly researched and can have lifelong effects on fertility and appearance. Too many "trans" people regret their so-called care; we shouldn't allow more experimentation on kids who are dealing with mental health struggles like gender dysphoria.	-0.8%	77%
Boys are Boys (Winsome Sears)	they know that boys are boys and girls are girls. Politicians like CANDIDATE seem to have forgotten this basic fact and are now trying to change who can be allowed in bathrooms and locker rooms. REP_OPPONENT won't let us be dragged down by politicians who don't even know the biological differences between sexes. It's not discrimination to ban boys from girls' locker rooms. It's common sense.	-0.9%	89%
Woke Public Schools	they will make sure public schools aren't bringing woke politics into our children's classrooms. Some Democrats want to include transgender issues in the public school curriculum, but REP_OPPONENT believes children's innocence is worth protecting. Schools should be the last place where political ideology is being taught. REP_OPPONENT is fighting to let your kids be kids.		99%
Message	Republicans say you should oppose [DEM CANDIDATE] because	House Vote Choice	GOP Percentile
Parental Rights V2	they prioritize woke politics over parental rights: parents deserve to have a say in their children's bodily decisions, but CANDIDATE wants to allow children to secretly identify as transgender in schools while restricting the schools ability to inform parents. REP_OPPONENT believes children are too young to be able to make these decisions and they want to allow children to retain their innocence.	-0.9%	78%
Parental Rights	they prioritize woke politics over parental rights: parents deserve to have a say in what their children are learning, but CANDIDATE wants to force transgender ideology into our schools, exposing young children to ideas they aren't prepared for. REP_OPPONENT believes children are too young to be exposed to radical ideology and they want to allow children to retain their innocence.	-0.9%	78%
School Safety and Locker Rooms	they will not stand up for children's safety in school. REP_OPPONENT knows that keeping children safe means keeping them away from transgender predators in places like schools, hospitals, and churches. CANDIDATE would even allow transgender men to undress in locker rooms with young girls. Instead of defending our kids, CANDIDATE stands for woke identity politics.	-0.9%	83%
Sports (1)	they want to allow men to play in girls' sports. REP_OPPONENT understands that this is not an issue of discrimination but an issue of fairness. When a biological male wins a competition against biological females, it's not fair to our girls. This shouldn't be a complicated issue. It's a matter of common sense	-0.9%	85%
Endangering children everywhere	they endanger children in schools, hospitals, churches, and communities. CANDIDATE would allow biological men into girls' bathrooms and locker rooms where sexual assaults can happen. Even worse, CANDIDATE supports letting children secretly change genders at school without telling parents. CANDIDATE's extreme agenda puts woke politics ahead of children's safety everywhere.		95%

### **Appendix**

### **Full Statement Battery**

If a Democrat running for Congress were to say [STATEMENT], how would that align with your views?	More liberal than my views	About the same as my views	More conservative than my views	Not sure
parents, not politicians, should make medical decisions for their children in consultation with doctors	8%	75%	5%	11%
abortion is a personal decision between a woman and her doctor, not politicians	18%	73%	4%	5%
we should focus on treating people with dignity and respect, even when we disagree about gender identity	15%	72%	4%	8%
women should have the right to make their own healthcare decisions, including abortion, without government interference	21%	68%	4%	7%
we need universal background checks and common-sense gun safety laws to reduce gun violence	13%	68%	6%	12%
we should make it easier for people to immigrate legally while also having strong border security	19%	66%	6%	10%
bathroom access should be based on biological sex to protect women and girls	4%	64%	21%	11%
transgender Americans deserve the same civil rights protections as everyone else when it comes to housing, employment, and public accommodations	22%	64%	4%	10%
biological males should not be allowed to compete in women's sports, period	9%	63%	17%	11%
the Federal government should set standards in schools to ban biological males from playing in girls' sports and to protect our students	7%	62%	15%	17%
we should ban all gender-affirming medical procedures for anyone under 18	9%	58%	19%	14%
the First Amendment protects all speech, even offensive speech, and government shouldn't pressure companies to censor content	17%	57%	7%	19%
we need common-sense rules that balance inclusion with fairness in women's sports	26%	51%	5%	18%
transgender rights are human rights, and we should protect vulnerable people from discrimination	32%	50%	5%	13%
abortion should be legal in all cases, and access to reproductive healthcare is a fundamental right	42%	41%	6%	11%
the Federal government should stay out of transgender issues in schools and leave it to local communities and law enforcement to protect our kids	27%	41%	13%	19%
we should have more single-stall, all-gender bathrooms available as an option for everyone	44%	39%	4%	12%
we need to protect religious freedom and conscience rights, even if that means some businesses can refuse service to transgender customers	12%	39%	34%	16%
the Federal government should stay out of transgender issues in schools and leave it to local communities and school officials to decide	31%	38%	12%	18%
transgender youth should have access to gender-affirming medical care with parental consent and guidance from medical professionals	45%	36%	4%	14%
transgender people should be able to use the bathroom that matches their gender identity	50%	29%	5%	16%
transgender minors should be able to access puberty blockers and hormone therapy after thorough medical evaluation	53%	25%	5%	16%
transgender athletes should be able to compete in sports consistent with their gender identity	57%	20%	6%	17%