

Climate Change in the American Mind

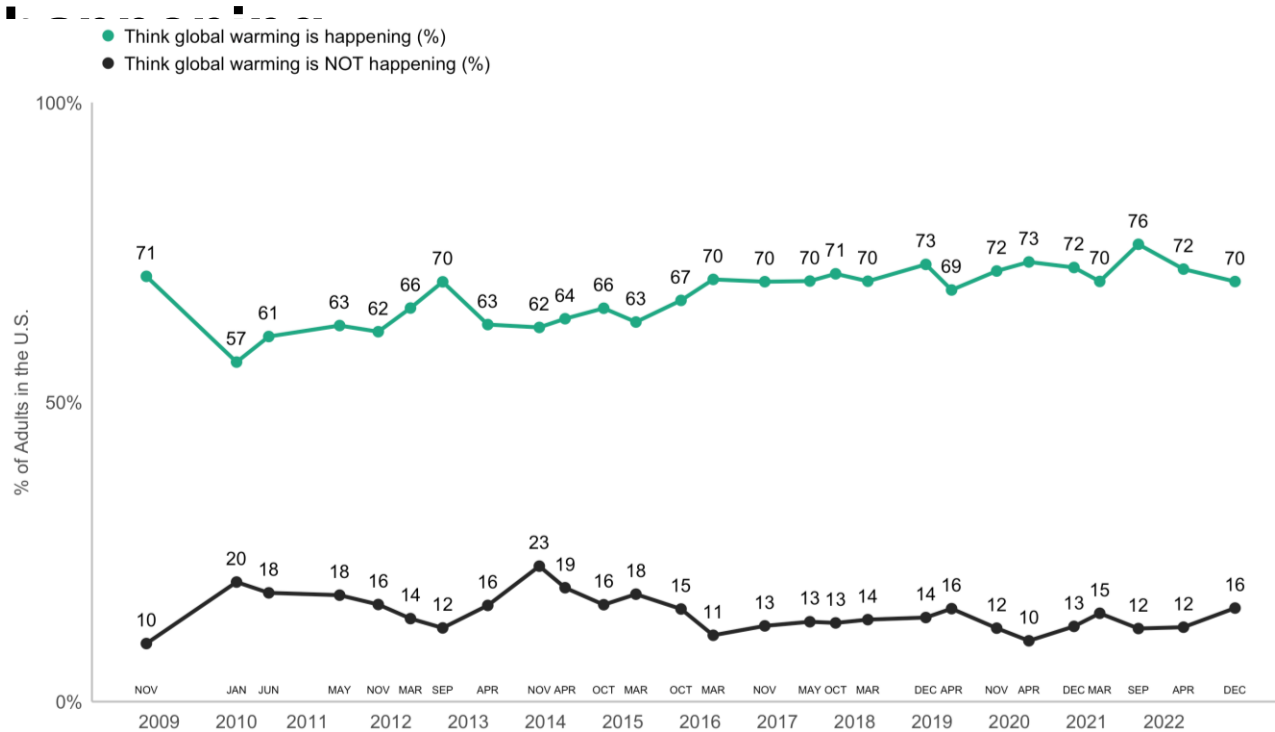
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Most Americans think global warming is

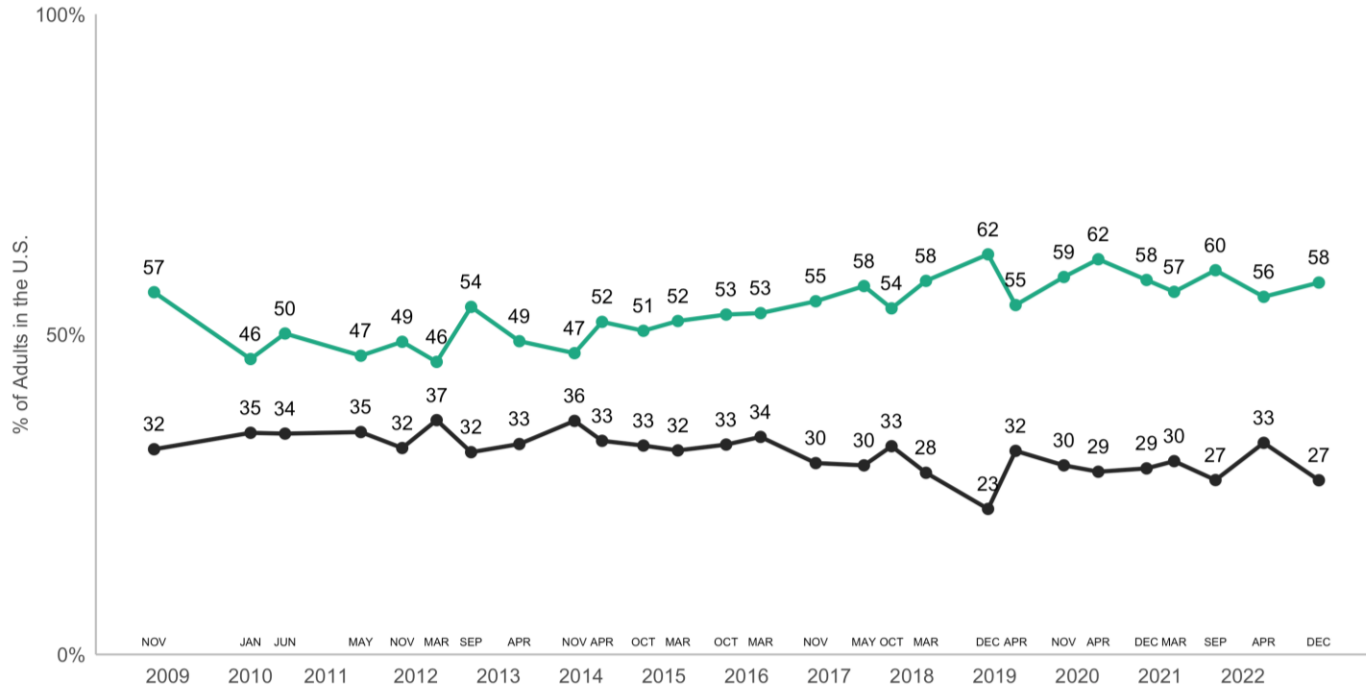


Do you think global warming is happening?

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A majority of Americans think global warming is mostly human-caused

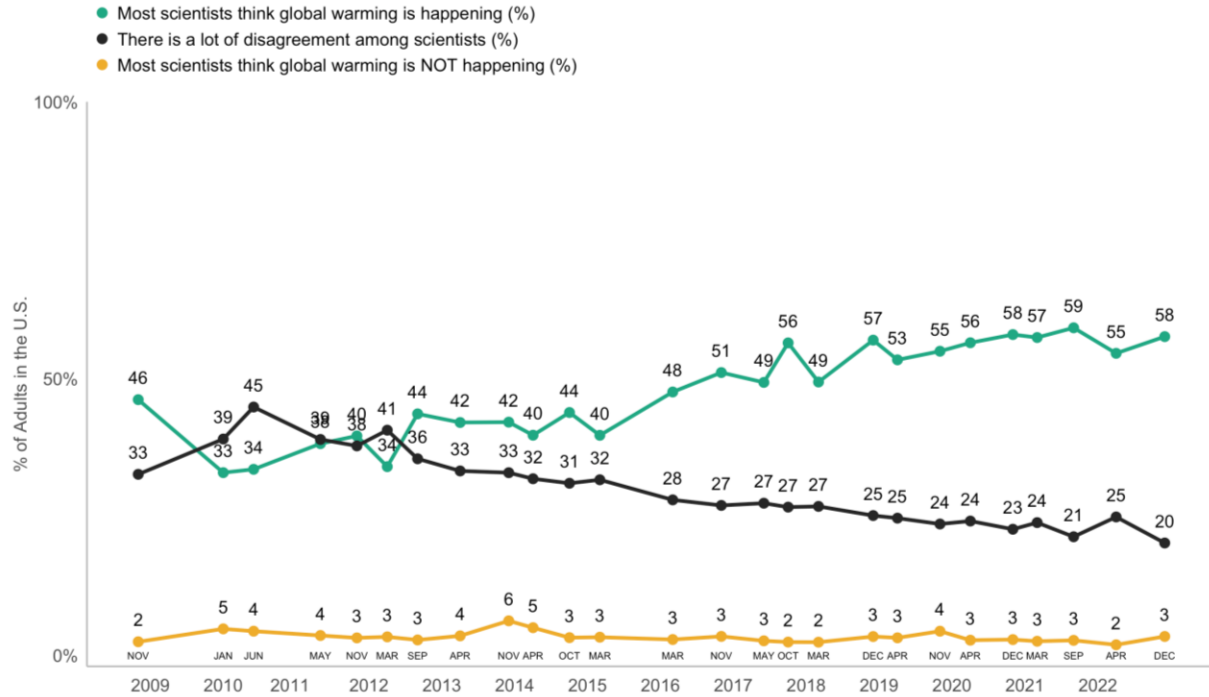
- Think global warming is caused mostly by human activities (%)
- Think global warming is caused mostly by natural changes in the environment (%)



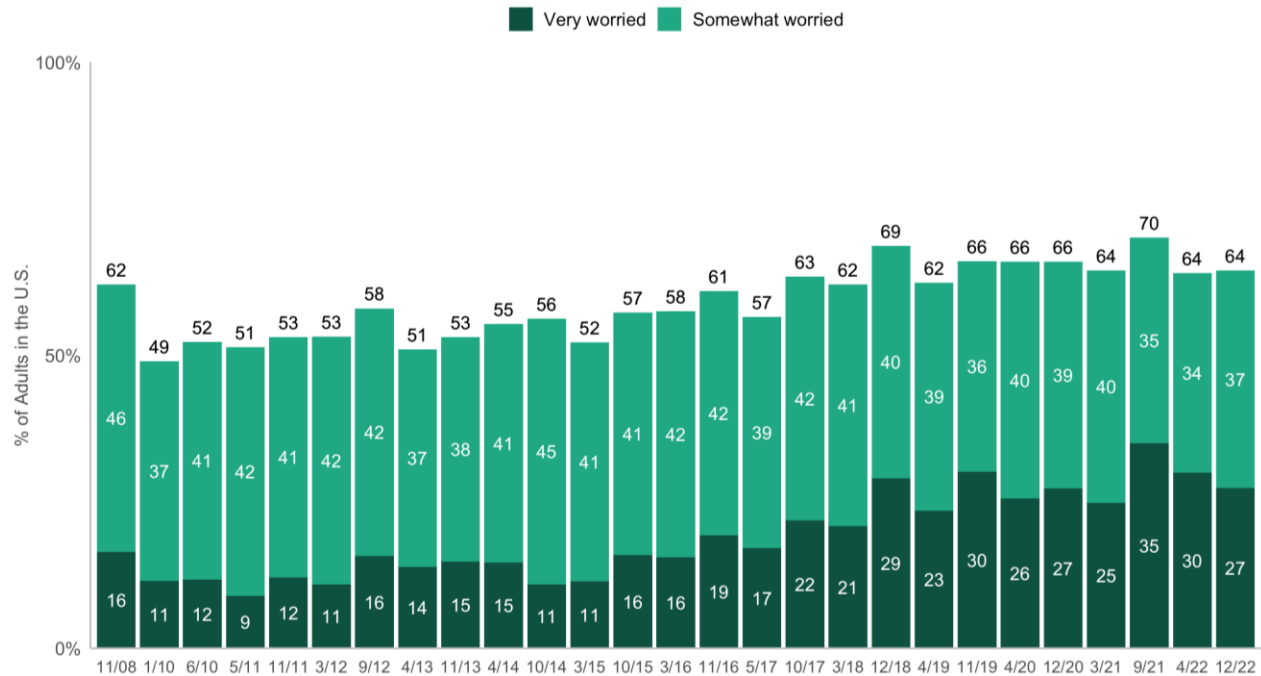
Assuming global warming is happening, do you think it is . . .

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A majority of Americans understand that most scientists think global warming is happening



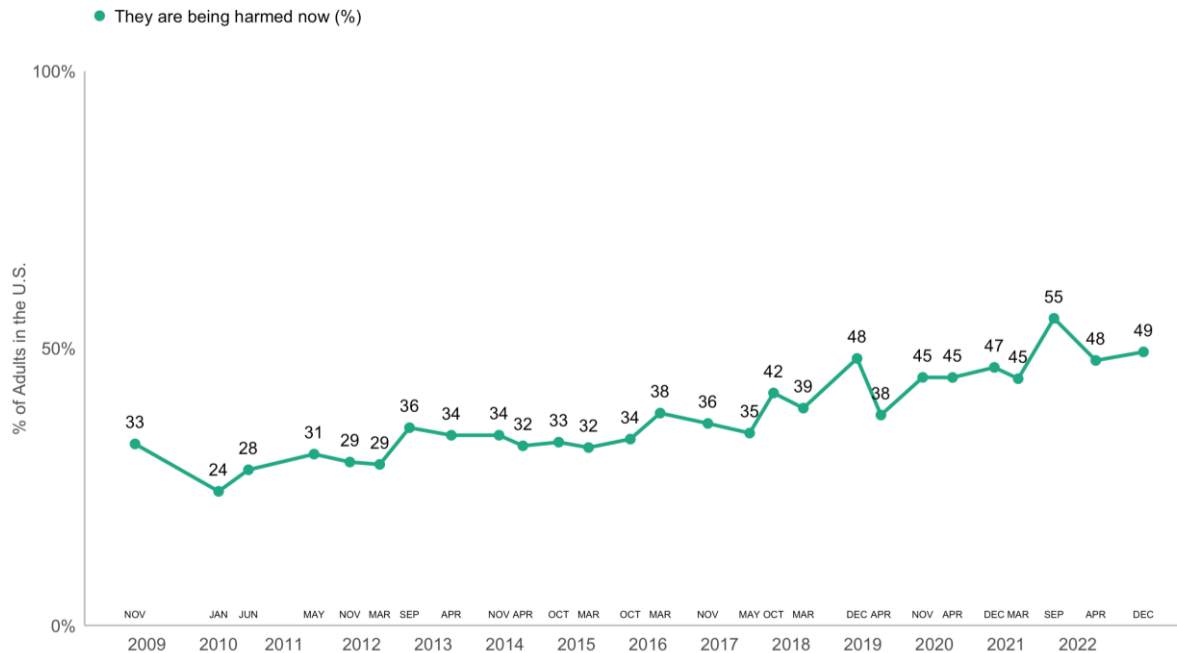
Nearly 2/3 of Americans are worried



How worried are you about global warming?

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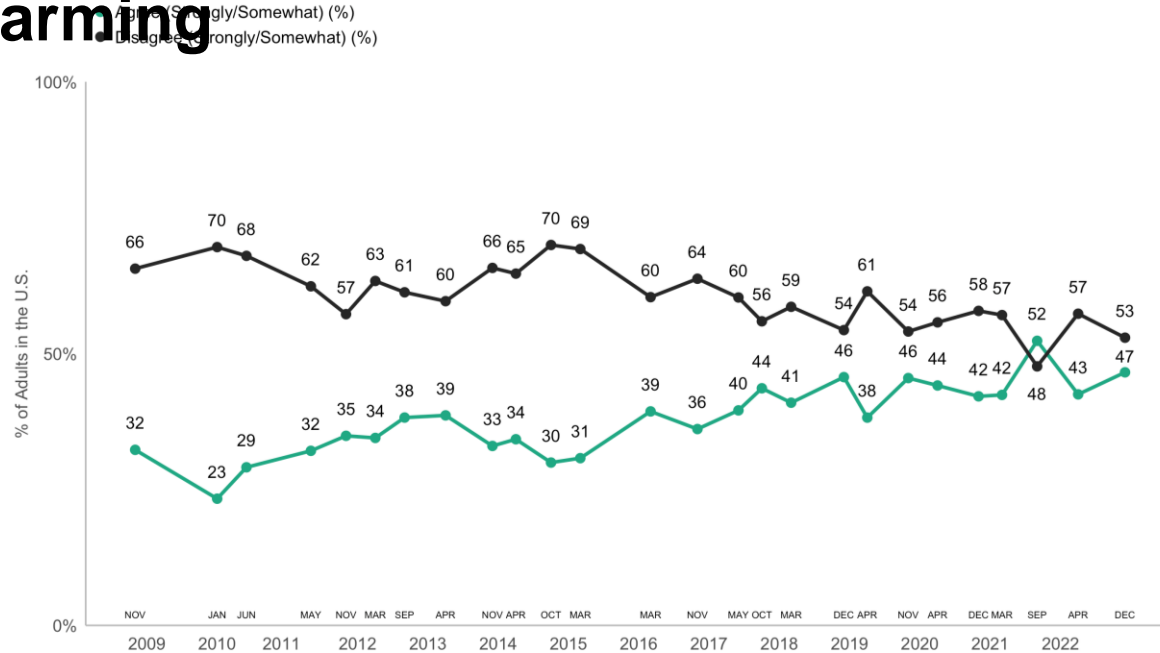
About half of Americans think global warming is harming people in the United States now



When do you think global warming will start to harm people in the United States?

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Nearly half of Americans say they have personally experienced the effects of global warming



How much do you agree or disagree with the following statement? I have personally experienced the effects of global warming.

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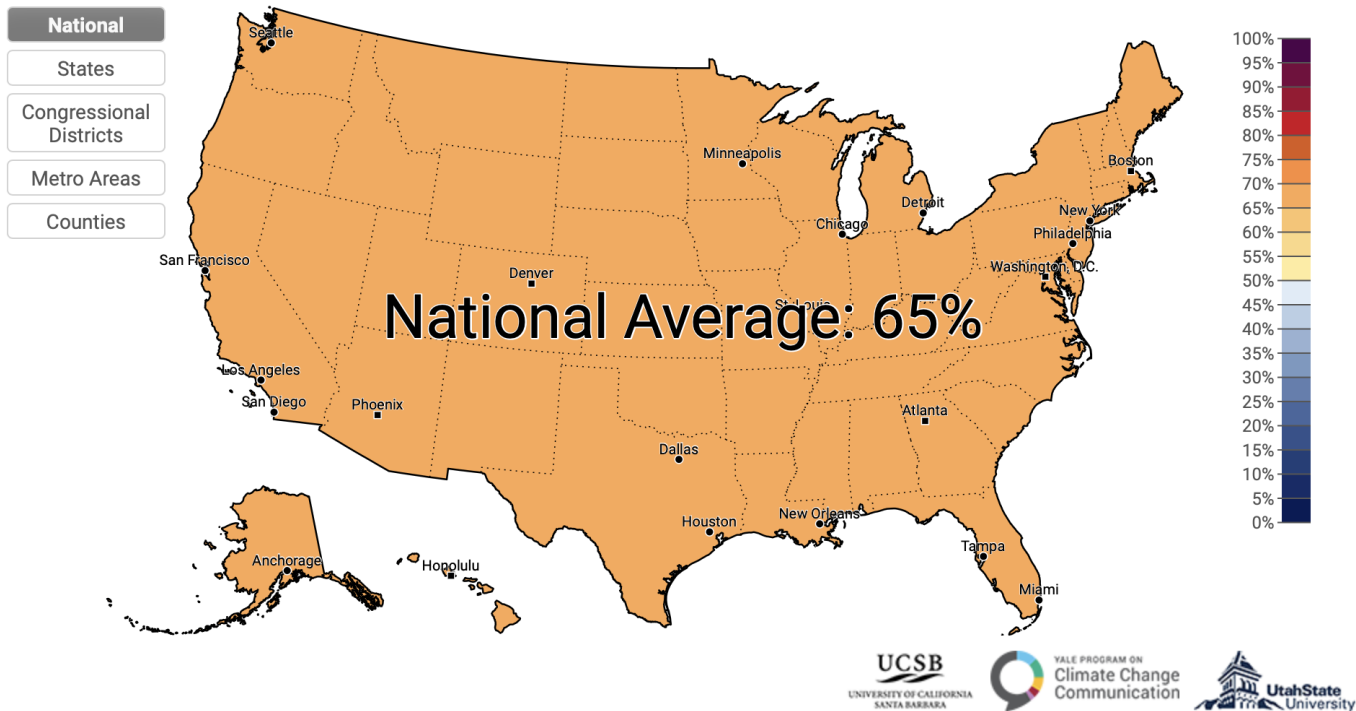
The Yale Climate Opinion Maps

Estimated % of adults who are worried about global warming (nat'l avg. 65%), 2021

Select Question: Worried about global warming

Absolute Value

Click on map to select geography, or:

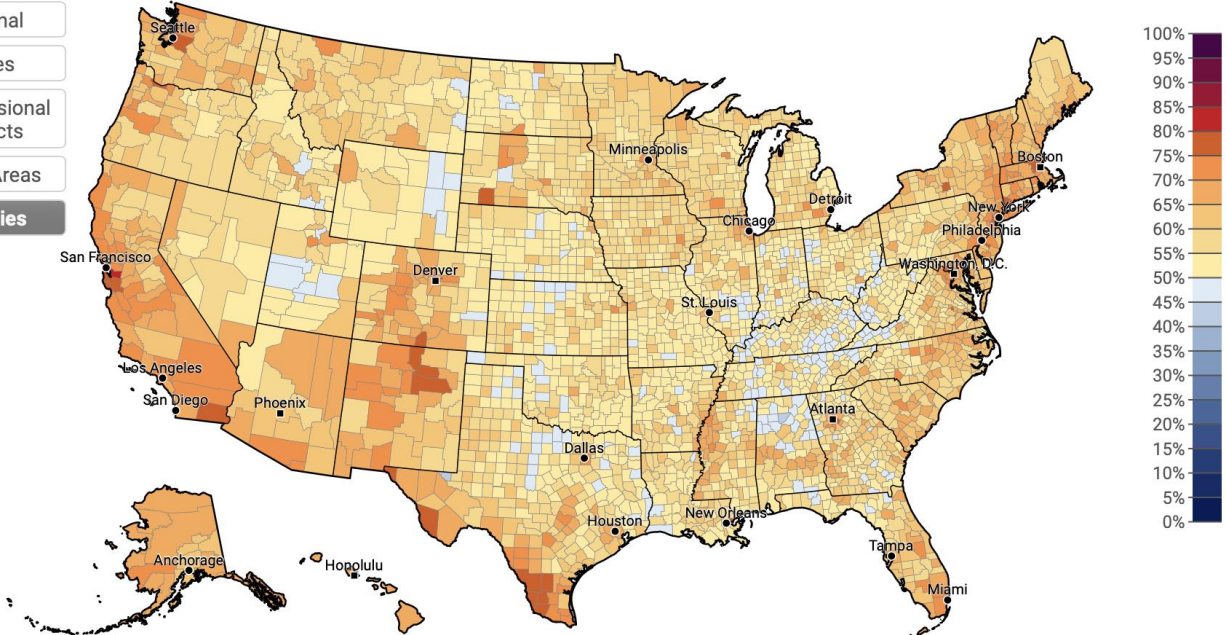


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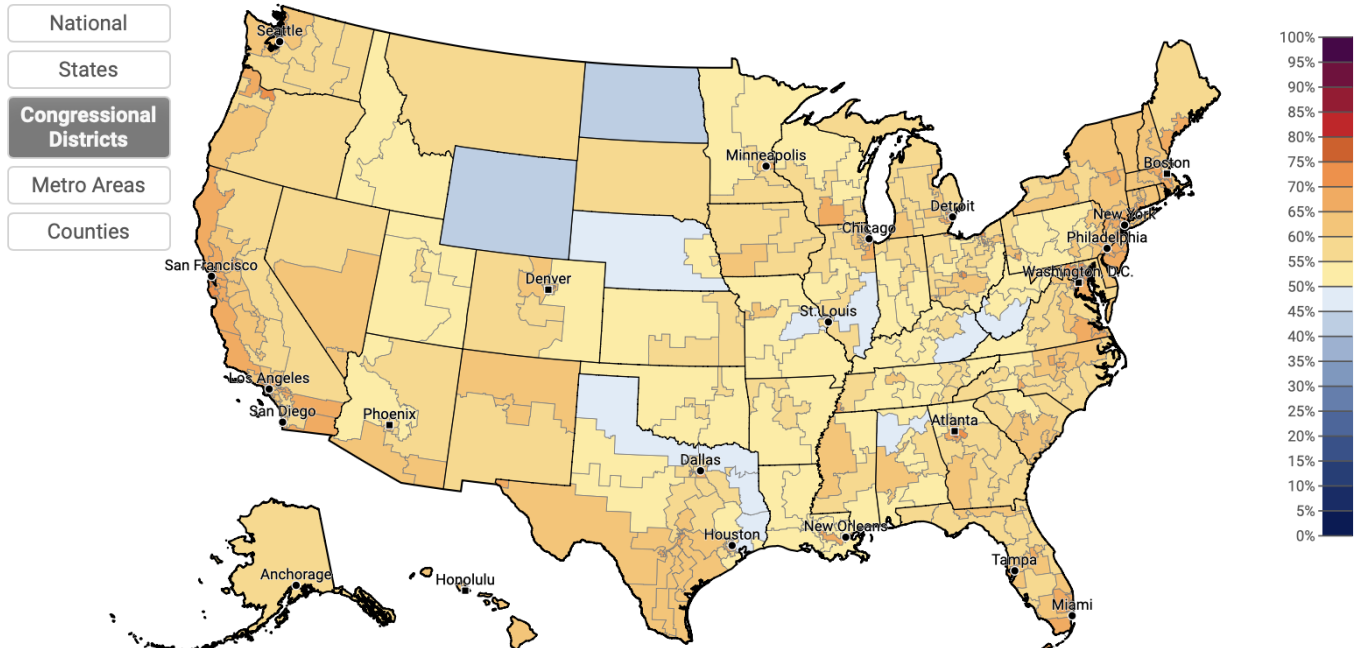
- National
- States
- Congressional Districts
- Metro Areas
- Counties**



Estimated % of adults who think Congress should do more to address global warming (nat'l avg. 61%), 2021

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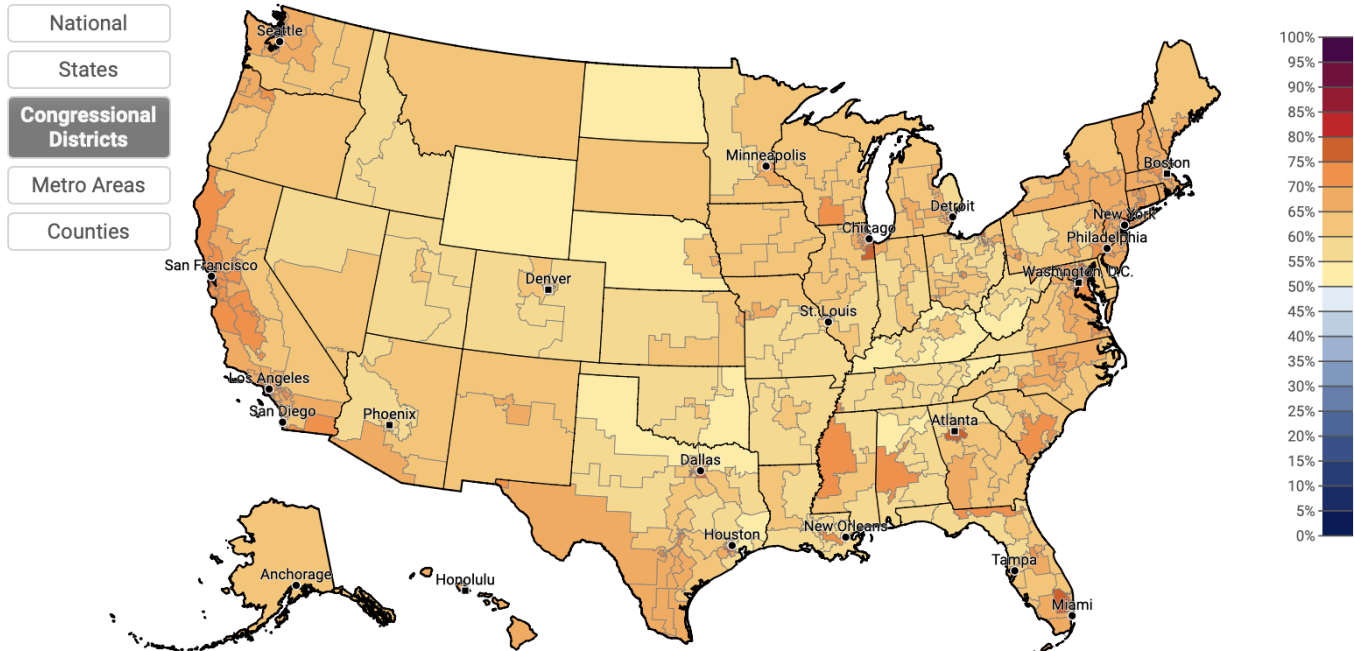
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Estimated % of adults who support taxing fossil fuel companies while equally reducing other taxes (nat'l avg. 66%), 2021

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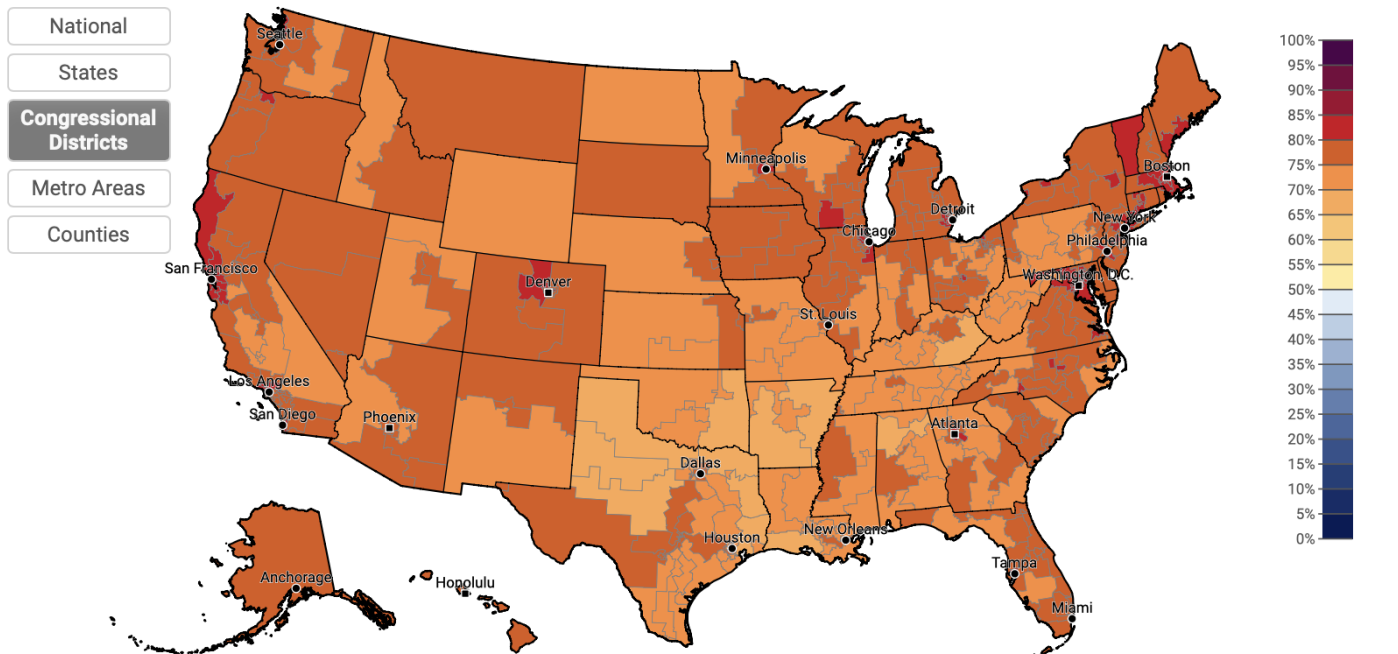
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Estimated % of adults who support funding research into renewable energy sources (nat'l avg. 77%), 2021

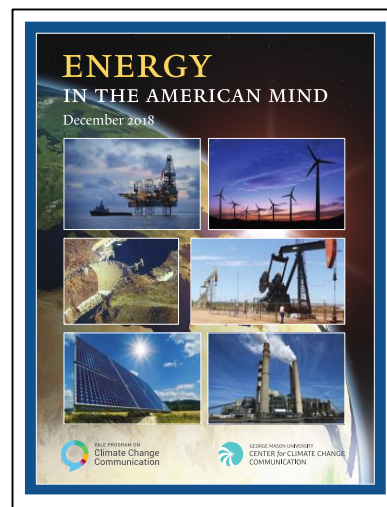
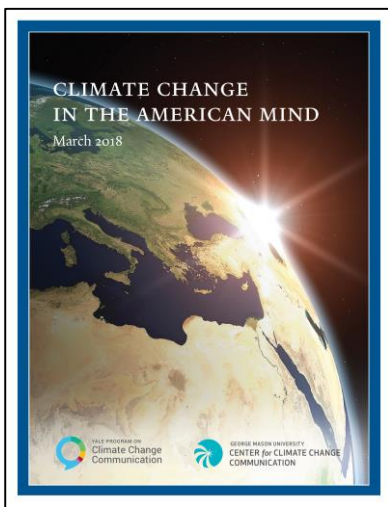
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Summary

1. Americans are increasingly convinced global warming is happening, human-caused, and a serious problem.
2. Americans increasingly understand that climate impacts are here and now, not far away in time and space.
3. Google “Yale Climate Opinion Maps” to learn more about your district / area.



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