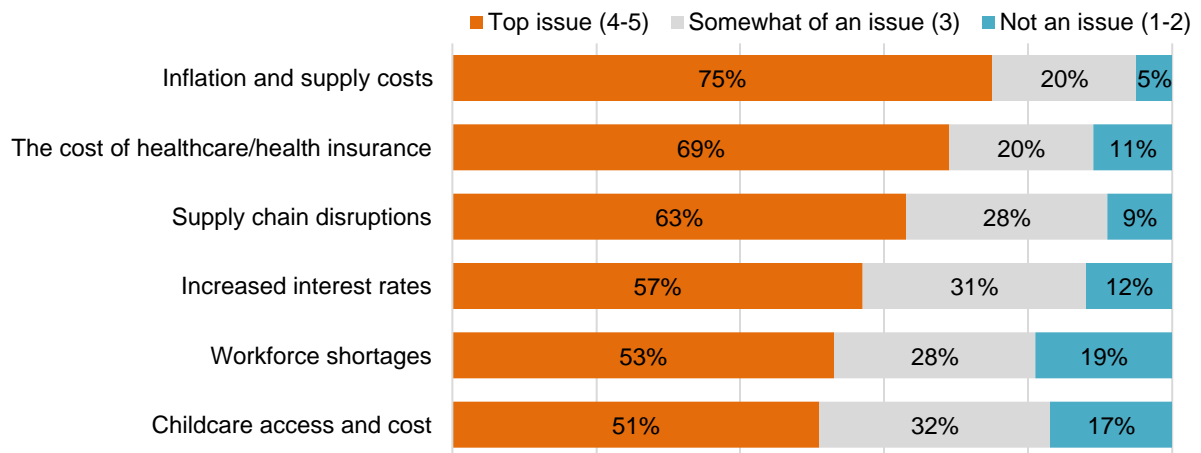


## Small business and the State of the Union

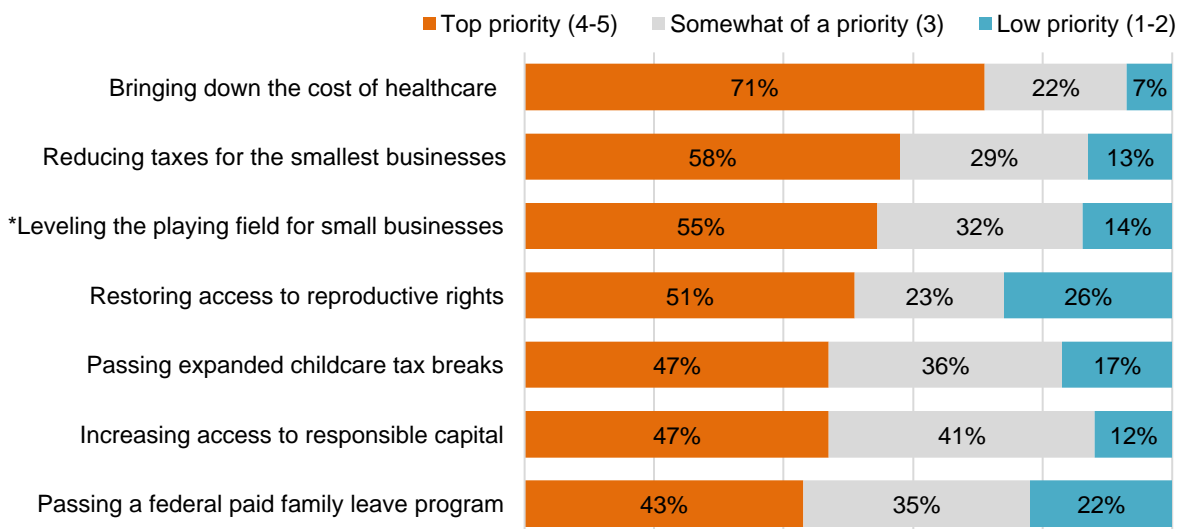
As President Biden prepares to deliver his second State of the Union address, Small Business Majority surveyed small business owners and decisionmakers around the country to better understand their biggest challenges, as well as the top policy issues they want to see addressed by policymakers.

The poll shows that small businesses need government support to cope with myriad challenges. While inflation and supply costs, the cost of healthcare, and supply chain disruptions are some of their top concerns, small businesses also are burdened by workforce shortages, childcare access and cost, and rising interest rates. Small businesses would like Congress and the administration to address these and other issues, including reducing taxes for microbusinesses, passing a federal paid family leave program, restoring access to reproductive rights, and leveling the playing field for small business to compete with their larger competitors.

**Rank each of the following issues, where 5 is a top issue and 1 is not an issue at all.**



**Below are a series of policy issues Congress and state legislatures across the country are considering. For each, rank how much of a priority each should be for policymakers, where 5 is top priority and 1 is the lowest priority.**



\* ie., antitrust enforcement, restricting non-compete agreements

# Methodology

This poll reflects a national survey of 310 small business owners in the United States. The poll was an online survey conducted on SurveyMonkey between February 1-2, 2023. The margin of error is +/- 6%.

## Survey demographics

### 1. Age

< 18 .....	0%
18-29 .....	17%
30-44.....	31%
45-60.....	34%
> 60.....	18%

### 2. Gender

Male .....	47%
Female.....	53%

### 3. Household Income

\$0-\$9,999.....	5%
\$10,000-\$24,999.....	7%
\$25,000-\$49,999.....	23%
\$50,000-\$74,999.....	20%
\$75,000-\$99,999.....	16%
\$100,000-\$124,999.....	11%
\$125,000-\$149,999 .....	4%
\$150,000-\$174,999 .....	2%
\$175,000-\$199,999.....	2%
\$200,000+.....	6%
Prefer not to answer.....	4%

### 4. Region

East North Central.....	17%
East South Central .....	6%
Middle Atlantic .....	13%
Mountain .....	7%
New England.....	6%
Pacific.....	16%
South Atlantic .....	16%
West North Central.....	3%
West South Central .....	16%