Our recent poll\(^1\) of California voters shows they overwhelmingly support the idea of increasing taxes on the wealthiest individuals in their state as well as various proposals that would work to operationalize this idea.

- Three-quarters of California voters, 76 percent, support implementing an income tax on billionaires, with more than half of voters (56 percent) strongly in support.
- California voters are most likely to name public health care (58 percent), affordable housing (57 percent), and K-12 public education (51 percent) as their top priorities for funding with revenues from new taxes on the wealthy.
- As shown in the figure below, California voters overwhelmingly agree the ultra-rich and corporations should pay their fair share in taxes.
- A broad majority of California voters (60 percent) say individuals with more than $50 million in net worth are not paying what they owe in taxes.

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**Agree with Tax-Related Statements**

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**Ultra-rich should pay what they owe** The ultra-rich should pay what they owe in taxes and not expect working families to continue to subsidize more than their share of taxes that support our roads, schools, and infrastructure.

**State legislators have responsibility to put a check on billionaires and wealthy** State legislators have the responsibility to put a check on billionaires and wealthy corporations, and they can ensure that billionaires and wealthy corporations pay what they owe the public through a wealth tax.

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\(^1\) The survey reached 499 registered voters in California, December 28, 2022 - January 4, 2023. Weights were applied to reflect the demographic characteristics of registered voters in California. MOE ±4.4%