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Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) workers have been on strike for the past 3 days. The unions and management have been unable to come to an agreement regarding pay raises, and employee contributions to pensions and health care. Have you been following the strike negotiations?

750 Adults	All	Gender		Age				<50 / 50+		Race				Party Affiliation			Ideology			Union		Use BART		
Credibility Interval: +/-3.4 pct points		Male	Female	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	18-49	50+	White	Black	Hispani	Asian/O	Republi	Democr	Indepe	Conser	Modera	Liberal	Yes	No	Regular	Occasi	Almost
Yes	69%	73%	66%	65%	62%	77%	74%	63%	76%	70%	73%	70%	66%	80%	65%	72%	76%	75%	68%	75%	69%	86%	77%	59%
No	28%	25%	31%	34%	36%	19%	24%	35%	21%	27%	22%	27%	33%	18%	33%	23%	21%	22%	31%	24%	28%	11%	21%	38%
Not Sure	3%	2%	3%	1%	2%	5%	2%	2%	4%	3%	4%	3%	1%	2%	2%	5%	3%	3%	1%	1%	3%	3%	2%	3%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Adults	100%	49%	51%	29%	23%	30%	17%	52%	48%	53%	7%	17%	22%	19%	51%	23%	20%	38%	31%	30%	67%	17%	36%	47%

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Which side do you think has made the better case for its position? The unions? Management? Has neither side made a better case? Or have both sides made good cases?

519 Following Negotiations	All	Gender		Age				<50 / 50+		Race				Party Affiliation			Ideology			Union		Use BART		
Credibility Interval: +/-4.4 pct points		Male	Female	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	18-49	50+	White	Black	Hispani	Asian/O	Republi	Democr	Indepe	Conser	Modera	Liberal	Yes	No	Regular	Occasi	Almost
Unions	23%	24%	21%	22%	25%	26%	16%	23%	22%	21%	31%	33%	15%	12%	30%	21%	10%	19%	35%	29%	20%	23%	25%	21%
Management	40%	50%	29%	38%	42%	42%	35%	40%	40%	42%	21%	35%	43%	57%	26%	53%	50%	41%	29%	35%	41%	37%	43%	36%
Neither	30%	20%	41%	32%	19%	30%	41%	26%	34%	28%	41%	24%	38%	18%	35%	25%	37%	30%	26%	26%	32%	35%	28%	31%
Both	6%	6%	7%	5%	14%	2%	6%	9%	4%	6%	8%	8%	4%	8%	8%	1%	2%	9%	6%	7%	6%	0%	3%	12%
Not Sure	1%	0%	3%	4%	0%	0%	2%	2%	1%	2%	0%	0%	1%	5%	0%	1%	0%	1%	4%	3%	1%	5%	1%	0%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Following Negotiation	100%	52%	48%	27%	21%	33%	19%	48%	52%	53%	8%	18%	21%	22%	48%	24%	21%	41%	30%	32%	66%	21%	40%	39%

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Governor Jerry Brown could call for a 60-day cooling off period but has declined to do so. Do you think Governor Brown should intervene and order a cooling off period?

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Yes	51%	49%	54%	52%	48%	54%	50%	50%	52%	52%	44%	53%	51%	45%	47%	59%	44%	55%	51%	51%	53%	57%	47%	54%
No	44%	47%	40%	43%	50%	41%	43%	46%	42%	43%	50%	38%	49%	47%	48%	39%	46%	43%	46%	48%	40%	40%	47%	40%
Not Sure	5%	4%	6%	5%	2%	5%	7%	4%	6%	5%	6%	9%	0%	8%	4%	1%	9%	2%	4%	1%	7%	2%	5%	5%
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Statement of Methodology: About the Poll: This poll was conducted by telephone in the voice of a professional announcer. Respondent households were selected at random, using Random Digit Dialed (RDD) sample provided by Survey Sampling, of Fairfield CT. All respondents heard the questions asked identically. The pollster's report includes the geography that was surveyed; the date(s) interviews were conducted, the number of respondents who answered each question and the theoretical margin of sampling error for each question. Where necessary, respondents were weighted using the most recent US Census estimates for age, gender, ethnic origin and region, to align the sample to the population. In theory, one can say with 95% certainty that the results would not vary by more than the stated margin of sampling error, in one direction or the other, had the entire universe of respondents with home telephones been interviewed with complete accuracy. There are other possible sources of error in all surveys that may be more serious than sampling error. These include: the difficulty of interviewing respondents who do not have a home telephone; the refusal by some with home telephones to be interviewed; the order in which questions are asked; the wording of questions; the way and extent to which data are weighted; and the manner in which specialized populations, such as likely voters, are determined. It is difficult to quantify the errors that may result from these and other factors. Research methodology, questionnaire design and fieldwork for this survey were completed by SurveyUSA of Clifton, NJ. This statement conforms to the principles of disclosure of the National Council on Public Polls.

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