The National Latino Family Report, published by Abriendo Puertas/Opening Doors in partnership with UnidosUS and BSP Research, provides insights into the perspectives and needs of Latino parents and caregivers. The survey focused on parents of children between the ages of 0-5 and included an oversample of 271 respondents from Texas.

In Texas, where approximately 11 million Latinos comprise 40% of the state’s population, addressing their needs and policy priorities is crucial for the state’s overall prosperity and equitable growth. Here are the key findings from the Texas oversample:

**Overwhelming Support for Social Safety Nets**

91% of Latino parents in Texas support a paid family and medical leave program, with 68% strongly supporting it.

Unlike most nations, the United States currently has no paid federal leave program for working parents. Even when informed about a potential cost of a few dollars per week, support remained high at 85%.

85% support increasing the earned income tax credit to provide more tax benefits for working families in Texas.

Enhancing the earned income tax credit represents a powerful economic lever to bolster financial security among Latino working families - a catalyst for multi-generational prosperity.
**Continuous Healthcare Access**

91% support adopting Medicaid and CHIP policies to remove barriers to access and reduce gaps in coverage for state residents, with 53% strongly supporting this initiative.

Ensuring continuous healthcare coverage is critical for the well-being of Latino children and families, who may face disruptions due to policy barriers.

**Investment in Children’s Future**

86% support the federal government establishing $3,000-$4,000 trust fund accounts for newborns in Texas to be used for college, home ownership, or starting a business. This baby bonds program, with 66% strongly supporting it, is projected to help reduce the racial wealth gap for Latino children in the state.

Baby bonds represent an innovative policy approach to directly address the racial wealth gap and provide a financial asset for Latino children from birth.

**Latino support for Federal child savings accounts in Texas**

86% Support

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**Family Engagement and Resources**

91% support increased funding for programs that support child learning and provide resources for families in Texas, with 59% strongly supporting this measure.

Equipping Latino parents with tools and resources promotes multi-generational prosperity by empowering them as active partners in their children’s development and educational trajectories. This lays a critical foundation for upward economic mobility within Latino communities.

For the full national report, please visit: [https://nationalsurvey.ap-od.org/2024-report/](https://nationalsurvey.ap-od.org/2024-report/)