

Yahoo! News Survey - 20230117



Sample 1,538 U.S. Adults
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 Margin of Error ±2.7%

1. Would you say things in this country today are...

Generally headed in the right direction 28%
 Off on the wrong track 59%
 Not sure 14%

2. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling his job as President?

Strongly approve 16%
 Somewhat approve 27%
Approve **43%**
 Somewhat disapprove 14%
 Strongly disapprove 35%
Disapprove **49%**
 Not sure 8%

3. Do you approve or disapprove of the way President Biden is handling each of the following issues?

	Strongly approve	Some-what approve	Approve	Some-what disapprove	Strongly disapprove	Disapprove	Not sure
Coronavirus	23%	23%	45%	16%	27%	42%	12%
The economy	14%	22%	36%	16%	39%	54%	9%
Race	15%	24%	39%	14%	28%	42%	19%
Guns	13%	20%	34%	18%	33%	51%	15%
Climate change	16%	24%	41%	15%	28%	43%	17%
Crime	12%	22%	34%	15%	34%	49%	16%
Abortion	19%	21%	40%	13%	32%	45%	16%
Inflation	13%	19%	33%	16%	41%	56%	11%
The situation with Russia and Ukraine	20%	23%	43%	15%	28%	43%	14%
Immigration	10%	22%	31%	18%	37%	55%	14%

4. Should President Biden run for president again in 2024?

Yes 23%
 No 58%
 Not sure 19%

5. In the 2024 primary election or caucus for president in your state are you more likely to:

Asked of registered voters

Vote in the Democratic primary or caucus	27%
Vote in the Republican primary or caucus	25%
Skip the primaries and just vote in the general election	8%
Not sure	7%
I would not vote	1%
Not asked - not registered to vote	33%

6. Who would you rather see as the Democratic nominee in 2024: Joe Biden or someone else?

Asked of Democrats and Independents who lean Democratic who are registered to vote

Joe Biden	38%
Someone else	39%
Not sure	23%

7. Would you rather see Trump or someone else as the Republican nominee for president in 2024?

Asked of Republicans and Independents who lean Republican who are registered to vote

Donald Trump	43%
Someone else	45%
Not sure	12%

8. If your state's 2024 Republican primary for president were held today, who would you vote for?

Asked of Republicans and Independents who lean Republican who are registered to vote

Ron DeSantis	36%
Donald Trump	37%
Mike Pence	5%
Nikki Haley	1%
Glenn Youngkin	0%
Chris Christie	3%
Mike Pompeo	1%
Larry Hogan	1%
Liz Cheney	2%
Not sure	12%
I would not vote	1%

9. If your state's 2024 Republican primary for president were held today, who would you vote for?

Asked of Republicans and Independents who lean Republican who are registered to vote

Donald Trump	42%
Ron DeSantis	45%
Not sure	12%
I would not vote	1%

10. If the 2024 election were held today, who would you vote for?

Asked of registered voters

Joe Biden, the Democrat	46%
Donald Trump, the Republican	40%
Not sure	9%
I would not vote	6%

11. If the 2024 election were held today, who would you vote for?

Asked of registered voters

Joe Biden, the Democrat	44%
Ron DeSantis, the Republican	42%
Not sure	9%
I would not vote	5%

12. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Congress is handling its job?

Approve	18%
Disapprove	55%
Not sure	26%

13. If an election for U.S. Congress were being held today, who would you vote for in the district where you live?

Asked of registered voters

The Democratic Party candidate	31%
The Republican Party candidate	27%
Other	1%
Not sure	8%
I would not vote	1%
Not asked - Not registered to vote	33%

14. In general, do you think Democrats...

Have the right priorities	30%
Aren't paying enough attention to America's real problems	52%
Not sure	17%

15. In general, do you think Republicans...

Have the right priorities	26%
Aren't paying enough attention to America's real problems	54%
Not sure	20%

16. In general, do you think Democrats in Congress are more interested in...

Passing legislation	36%
Damaging Republicans	42%
Not sure	22%

17. In general, do you think Republicans in Congress are more interested in...

Passing legislation	28%
Damaging Democrats	48%
Not sure	23%

18. How closely did you follow the recent votes to elect a new speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives?

Very closely	25%
Somewhat closely	32%
Closely	57%
Not very closely	25%
Did not follow at all	19%
Not Closely	43%

19. Electing a new House speaker took four days and 15 rounds of voting — the most in 100 years — because of resistance from a small group of Republicans. Which is closer to your view:

Congress is functioning as intended	25%
Congress is dysfunctional	55%
Not sure	20%

20. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Kevin McCarthy?

Favorable	20%
Unfavorable	37%
Not sure	43%

21. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Kevin McCarthy is handling his job as House Speaker?

Approve	24%
Disapprove	31%
Not sure	45%

22. Do you think House Republicans should have elected Kevin McCarthy as speaker, or someone else?

Asked of Republicans and Independents who lean Republican

Kevin McCarthy	32%
Someone else	31%
Not sure	37%

23. To persuade holdouts in his own party, Kevin McCarthy agreed to a series of new rules and policies. Do you favor or oppose each of the following?

	Favor	Oppose	Not sure
Allowing any one member of the House to force a vote to remove the speaker at any time	30%	37%	33%
Allowing any one member to force votes on an unlimited number of amendments to spending bills	23%	42%	35%

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Creating a special committee to investigate the Justice Department and the FBI	51%	27%	22%
Requiring that all pending legislation must be posted 72 hours before voting begins to allow the public and lawmakers time to review it	68%	10%	21%
Giving Republican holdouts seats on powerful Congressional committees	24%	42%	34%
Putting an end to pandemic-era voting by proxy, which allowed members of Congress to cast votes without being in Washington, D.C.	46%	29%	25%

24. Would you favor or oppose the U.S. House impeaching President Biden?

Favor	38%
Oppose	42%
Not sure	21%

25. On Monday, a Republican congressman filed impeachment articles against Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas. Do you favor the U.S. House impeaching Secretary Mayorkas?

Favor	33%
Oppose	26%
Not sure	41%

26. Would you favor or oppose the following congressional investigations?

	Favor	Oppose	Not sure
Investigating the Department of Justice and the FBI, including their ongoing criminal probes into Donald Trump	53%	30%	16%
Investigating President Biden's son Hunter Biden	49%	31%	20%
Investigating the U.S. withdrawal from Afghanistan	49%	25%	25%
Investigating the origin of the COVID-19 pandemic	59%	23%	18%
Investigating the security of the U.S. southern border	64%	17%	20%
Investigating the classified documents found at Joe Biden's home and post-vice-presidential office	64%	16%	20%

27. As you may know, lawyers for President Biden recently alerted the National Archives that they had found a small number of classified documents in an office Biden used after serving as vice president and at his Delaware home. How does this compare to Donald Trump's recent clash with federal authorities over returning classified documents?

Biden's issue less serious than Trump's	31%
Equally serious	32%
Biden's issue more serious than Trump's	21%
Not sure	15%

28. Which comes closest to your understanding of why the U.S. House needs to regularly vote to raise the debt limit?

- To authorize new federal spending 25%
- To allow the federal government to pay for spending that Congress has already authorized 42%
- Not sure 33%

29. Do you favor or oppose raising the U.S. debt limit?

Asked of half of respondents randomly selected

- Favor 28%
- Oppose 40%
- Not sure 33%

30. To avoid defaulting on America's past debts — and to continue paying Social Security benefits and military salaries without sparking a possible recession — Congress must soon raise the debt limit just as bipartisan majorities have routinely done for the last century. Do you favor or oppose raising the U.S. debt limit?

Asked of the other half of respondents randomly selected

- Favor 45%
- Oppose 24%
- Not sure 31%

31. House Republicans voted three times to raise the debt limit when Donald Trump was president. Were Republicans right or wrong to vote to raise the debt limit?

- Right 33%
- Wrong 29%
- Not sure 37%

32. Now that they control the House, Republicans have signaled that they will not vote to raise the debt limit again unless President Biden agrees to their policy demands. Which of the following is closer to your opinion?

- I favor attaching new policy demands to the debt-limit vote 24%
- I favor a traditional "clean" debt-limit vote without new policy demands 45%
- Not sure 30%

33. In order to raise the debt limit, which of the following spending cuts would you favor House Republicans forcing Congress to make? Select all that apply

- Reducing federal spending on Social Security 10%
- Reducing federal spending on Medicare 9%
- Reducing federal spending on aid to Ukraine in the war with Russia 44%
- Reducing federal spending on the U.S. military 22%
- None of the above 23%
- Not sure 16%

34. How much are each of the following to blame for the current gridlock in Congress?

	A great deal	Some	A great deal / Some	Not much	Not at all	Not much / Not at all	Not sure
Progressive Democrats	34%	23%	57%	14%	12%	25%	18%
Moderate Democrats	20%	30%	50%	19%	12%	31%	19%
Moderate Republicans	20%	33%	53%	19%	8%	27%	19%
Conservative Republicans	38%	21%	59%	12%	10%	22%	20%

35. Who deserves the most blame for the current gridlock in Congress?

Progressive Democrats	26%
Moderate Democrats	8%
Moderate Republicans	8%
Conservative Republicans	31%
Not sure	28%

36. On the whole, has the situation at the U.S.-Mexico border gotten better or worse since President Biden took office?

Better	13%
Worse	45%
Stayed the same	25%
Not sure	17%

37. Which statement best describes the situation at the U.S.-Mexico border?

It is not a problem	4%
It is a minor problem	13%
Not a problem / Minor problem	16%
It is a major problem but not a crisis	29%
It is in a state of crisis	41%
Major problem / Crisis	71%
Not sure	13%

38. Who do you think bears most of the blame for the situation at the U.S.-Mexico border?

	Most of the blame	Some blame	A great deal / Some	A little blame	No blame	Not much / Not at all	Not sure
Joe Biden	33%	21%	54%	18%	15%	33%	13%
Donald Trump	21%	21%	42%	15%	31%	45%	13%
Congress	24%	37%	62%	17%	5%	23%	16%
Migrants	24%	29%	53%	19%	15%	34%	13%
The leaders of countries that migrants are leaving	38%	32%	70%	13%	5%	18%	12%

39. Which of the following do you think are reasons why migrants are attempting to cross the U.S. border with Mexico? Select all that apply.

To escape violence	54%
To escape poverty	63%
To escape persecution	44%
To find work	58%
To take advantage of President Biden's immigration policies	43%
None of these	2%
Not sure	8%

40. Do you think it should be easier or harder than it currently is for people fleeing persecution in their home country to seek asylum in the United States?

Easier	28%
Harder	34%
About the same	22%
Not sure	16%

41. To try to give asylum seekers an incentive to apply for legal immigration from their home countries, President Biden announced last week that up to 30,000 asylum seekers a month from four nations — Venezuela, Cuba, Nicaragua and Haiti — could be granted "parole" to live and work in the United States for two years, provided they enter the country through a legitimate port of entry and pass rigorous vetting. Do you favor or oppose this policy?

Favor	46%
Oppose	30%
Not sure	24%

42. To apply for "parole," asylum seekers must register using a smartphone app, submit to a background check, and find a financial sponsor in the United States. Do you think these conditions are...

Too strict	12%
Not strict enough	34%
About right	37%
Not sure	17%

43. Do you favor or oppose the following approaches to immigration?

	Favor	Oppose	Not sure
Providing a pathway to citizenship for undocumented immigrants already in the U.S.	47%	34%	19%
Building a wall at the U.S.-Mexico border	43%	39%	18%
Providing a pathway to citizenship for 'dreamers' who were brought to the U.S. as children	60%	22%	18%
Turning away children who arrive at the border without a parent or guardian	32%	44%	24%

44. Have you had COVID-19?

Yes	44%
No	46%
Not sure	8%
Prefer not to say	2%

45. How many times have you had COVID-19?

Never	0%
Once	30%
Twice	10%
More than twice	3%
Not sure	1%
Prefer not to say	0%
Not asked - never had COVID	56%

46. Which statement describes you best?

I have received at least ONE shot of ANY manufacturer's COVID-19 vaccine	71%
I have NOT received ANY shots of ANY manufacturer's COVID-19 vaccine	29%

47. Which statement describes you best?

I have received only ONE shot	9%
I have received only TWO shots	23%
I have received at least THREE shots	39%
Not asked - Recieved no shots	29%

48. Which vaccine did you get for your FIRST shot?

Pfizer-BioNtech	33%
Moderna	28%
Oxford-AstraZeneca	1%
Johnson & Johnson	5%
Don't remember	4%
Not asked - Recieved no shots	29%

49. Would you be willing to get another COVID-19 booster shot?

Asked of those who have received a booster shot

Yes	32%
No	8%
Not asked - Not boosted	60%

50. Would you be willing to get a seasonal COVID-19 booster shot each year?

Asked of those who would get another booster shot

Yes	31%
No	2%
Not asked - Not willing to get additional boosters	8%
Not asked - Not boosted	60%

51. In the past seven days, how often have you worn a mask on your face when outside your home?

Always	13%
Most of the time	15%
Always / Most of the time	27%
Some of the time	26%
Never	46%
Some of the time / Never	73%

52. Are you wearing a mask more or less often now than one month ago?

More often	17%
Less often	36%
No difference	47%

53. This winter the U.S. has experienced what experts call a "triple-demic," with infections due to flu, the RSV virus and COVID-19 rising at the same time. How do you feel about choosing to wear a mask seasonally, when overall virus cases are high?

I will wear a mask when virus cases are high	59%
I will not wear a mask when virus cases are high	25%
Not sure	16%

54. How do you plan to change your behavior if COVID cases are rising or start to rise again in your area? Select all that apply

Wear a mask more often in public indoor spaces	53%
Attend fewer indoor gatherings with family or friends	33%
Eat or drink indoors less often at bars and restaurants	33%
Get another vaccine dose if eligible	33%
Test myself more often for COVID	26%
Work from home whenever possible	23%
None of the above	24%

55. A new study finds that 13% of current childhood asthma in the U.S. is attributable to gas stoves. Would you favor or oppose a ban on gas stoves?

Favor	26%
Oppose	46%
Not sure	28%

56. Are you...?

Male	49%
Female	51%

57. Respondent age by category

Under 30	21%
30-44	25%
45-64	33%
65+	21%

58. What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

White	63%
Black	12%
Hispanic	16%
Other	9%

59. What is the highest level of education you have completed?

HS or less	38%
Some college	28%
College grad	21%
Postgrad	12%

60. Who did you vote for in the election for President in 2020?

Joe Biden	32%
Donald Trump	29%
Jo Jorgensen	1%
Howie Hawkins	0%
Other	0%
Did not vote for President	38%

61. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a ...?

Democrat	33%
Republican	27%
Independent	29%
Other	4%
Not sure	8%

62. In general, how would you describe your own political viewpoint?

Very liberal	10%
Liberal	18%
Moderate	28%
Conservative	19%
Very conservative	11%
Not sure	13%