

Yahoo! News Survey - 20230206



Sample 1,585 U.S. Adults
 Conducted February 2 - 6, 2023
 Margin of Error ±2.8%

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

Generally headed in the right direction 30%
 Off on the wrong track 59%
 Not sure 11%

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

Strongly approve 17%
 Somewhat approve 25%
Approve **41%**
 Somewhat disapprove 18%
 Strongly disapprove 35%
Disapprove **52%**
 Not sure 6%

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	21%	24%	45%	14%	30%	44%	11%
The economy	15%	20%	36%	17%	38%	55%	9%
Race	16%	24%	40%	14%	30%	44%	16%
Guns	14%	20%	34%	17%	35%	52%	14%
Climate change	16%	23%	39%	15%	30%	45%	16%
Crime	12%	22%	35%	16%	35%	51%	14%
Abortion	18%	19%	36%	13%	35%	48%	16%
Inflation	13%	19%	31%	17%	41%	58%	11%
The situation with Russia and Ukraine	17%	22%	39%	14%	32%	46%	15%
Immigration	12%	21%	33%	16%	39%	55%	13%

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

Yes 25%
 No 59%
 Not sure 16%

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	26%
Skip the primaries and just vote in the general election	8%
Not sure	5%
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	43%
Someone else	42%
Not sure	15%

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	45%
Someone else	40%
Not sure	14%

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	35%
Donald Trump	37%
Mike Pence	4%
Nikki Haley	5%
Glenn Youngkin	1%
Chris Christie	2%
Mike Pompeo	2%
Larry Hogan	1%
Liz Cheney	3%
Not sure	11%
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	41%
Ron DeSantis	45%
Not sure	11%
I would not vote	3%

10. As you may have heard, former South Carolina Governor and United Nations Ambassador Nikki Haley is reportedly set to announce that she is running for the Republican presidential nomination in 2024. Do you approve or disapprove of Haley’s decision to run?

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

Approve	48%
Disapprove	22%
Not sure	30%

11. 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

Nikki Haley	27%
Donald Trump	54%
Not sure	16%
I would not vote	3%

12. 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

Nikki Haley	11%
Donald Trump	38%
Ron DeSantis	35%
Not sure	15%
I would not vote	2%

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

Asked of registered voters

Joe Biden, the Democrat	47%
Donald Trump, the Republican	41%
Not sure	8%
I would not vote	5%

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

Asked of registered voters

Joe Biden, the Democrat	43%
Ron DeSantis, the Republican	44%
Not sure	10%
I would not vote	3%

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

Approve	21%
Disapprove	53%
Not sure	25%

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

The Democratic Party candidate	30%
The Republican Party candidate	28%
Other	1%
Not sure	7%
I would not vote	1%
Not asked - Not registered to vote	33%

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

Approve	32%
Disapprove	33%
Not sure	35%

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

Favor	38%
Oppose	43%
Not sure	18%

19. Last month, a Republican congressman filed impeachment articles against Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas. Do you favor the U.S. House impeaching Secretary Mayorkas?

Favor	35%
Oppose	26%
Not sure	39%

20. Now that they control the U.S. House, are Republicans focusing too much or too little on investigating the Biden Administration?

Too much	37%
Too little	22%
About the right amount	24%
Not sure	18%

21. How careful do you think each of the following people has been when it comes to handling classified documents and information?

	Very careful	Some-what careful	Careful	Not very careful	Not careful at all	Not Careful	Not sure
Mike Pence	12%	28%	40%	22%	13%	35%	25%
Donald Trump	14%	19%	33%	16%	40%	57%	11%
Joe Biden	15%	22%	38%	20%	30%	50%	12%

22. How cooperative do you think each of the following people has been when it comes to returning the classified documents they took with them after leaving office?

	Very cooperative	Some-what cooperative	Cooperative	Not very cooperative	Not cooperative at all	Not Co-operative	Not sure
Mike Pence	34%	27%	61%	8%	6%	15%	24%
Donald Trump	16%	17%	33%	15%	39%	54%	13%
Joe Biden	35%	23%	58%	11%	14%	25%	17%

23. Do you think the U.S. Department of Justice should prosecute each of the following people for taking classified documents with them after leaving office?

	Yes	No	Not sure
Mike Pence	27%	41%	33%
Donald Trump	48%	31%	21%
Joe Biden	40%	35%	26%

24. How much trust do you have in the police?

A great deal	25%
Some	36%
A great deal / Some	61%
A little	25%
None	14%
A little / None	39%

25. How are race relations in the U.S.?

Generally good	32%
Generally bad	50%
Not sure	18%

26. Do you think race relations in the U.S. have gotten better or worse than they were ten years ago?

Better	18%
About the same	35%
Worse	47%

27. Do you think police treat Black Americans better, white Americans better, or both equally?

Treat white Americans better	45%
Treat Black and white Americans equally	36%
Treat Black Americans better	6%
Not sure	13%

28. Which comes closest to your view of how law enforcement handles crime?	
Too tough on most offenders	25%
Not tough enough on most offenders	34%
About right	19%
Not sure	22%
29. Is there a problem with systemic racism in policing?	
Yes	51%
No	29%
Not sure	20%
30. Is there a problem with systemic racism in America?	
Yes	54%
No	30%
Not sure	16%
31. What is a bigger problem in America right now?	
Systemic racism in policing	32%
Crime	54%
Not sure	14%
32. Have you read or heard anything about Tyre Nichols in the news?	
Yes	71%
No	19%
Not sure	9%
33. Have you watched the video of Memphis police officers beating Tyre Nichols?	
Yes	51%
No	43%
Not sure	7%
34. How important a factor do you think race was in the death of Tyre Nichols?	
Major factor	31%
Minor factor	16%
Major / Minor factor	47%
Not a factor	30%
Not sure	23%

35. On Jan. 20, the Memphis Police Department fired five police officers involved in the incident with Tyre Nichols. Do you approve or disapprove of this action?

Strongly approve	60%
Somewhat approve	15%
Approve	75%
Somewhat disapprove	7%
Strongly disapprove	5%
Disapprove	12%
Not sure	14%

36. The Memphis Police Department has also disbanded the specialized police unit (known as the Scorpion unit) to which the five officers belonged. The unit was created a little over a year ago to help address violent crime 'hot spots' in the city, and it often operated in unmarked vehicles, making traffic stops, seizing weapons and conducting hundreds of arrests. Do you approve or disapprove of the decision to disband the Scorpion unit?

Strongly approve	38%
Somewhat approve	18%
Approve	56%
Somewhat disapprove	14%
Strongly disapprove	9%
Disapprove	23%
Not sure	20%

37. In general, are police units like the Scorpion Unit...

A good idea	32%
A bad idea	35%
Not sure	33%

38. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the Black Lives Matter movement?

Very favorable	22%
Somewhat favorable	22%
Favorable	44%
Somewhat unfavorable	15%
Very unfavorable	30%
Unfavorable	44%
Not sure	11%

39. How many Americans do you think are racist?

Most	13%
Many	44%
Most / Many	57%
A few	37%
Almost none	6%
Some / A few	43%

40. Which comes closest to your view?

We need to defund the police and reinvent our approach to public safety	13%
We need to fix the police by reforming the existing system	59%
We should not reform or defund the police	17%
Not sure	11%

41. Here are some reforms that have been proposed at the federal level. Which of these would you favor or oppose?

	Favor	Oppose	Not sure
Ban potentially deadly police techniques such as chokeholds at the federal level while withholding funding from state and local agencies that don't ban them	57%	22%	21%
Ban no-knock warrants in federal drug cases while withholding funding from state and local agencies that don't ban them	48%	27%	25%
End 'qualified immunity,' which protects law enforcement officers from most civil lawsuits	51%	25%	24%
Make it easier to prosecute police officers accused of misconduct	63%	17%	20%
Require state and local police agencies to use existing federal funds to ensure the use of body cameras	74%	11%	16%
Create a national police misconduct registry to prevent police officers who are fired or pushed out for bad performance from being hired by other law enforcement agencies	71%	12%	16%
Reduce police militarization by limiting how much military-grade equipment is awarded to state and local law enforcement agencies	44%	30%	27%

42. In 2021, the U.S House passed a bipartisan bill (the George Floyd Justice in Policing Act) that included all of the reforms from the previous screen, but the bill has yet to receive a vote in the Senate. Do you favor or oppose this bill?

Favor	52%
Oppose	24%
Not sure	24%

43. In general, do you think U.S. public school students are currently taught too much or too little about African-American history?

Too much	13%
About the right amount	31%
Too little	38%
Not sure	18%

44. In general, do you think that what U.S. public school students are currently taught about African-American history is appropriate or inappropriate?

Appropriate	42%
Inappropriate	21%
Not sure	37%

45. Do you favor or oppose U.S. public schools including lessons on African-American history within the regular U.S. history curriculum?

Favor	67%
Oppose	13%
Not sure	20%

46. Many public U.S. high schools offer optional college-level Advanced Placement (AP) courses in subjects such as biology, music theory, U.S. history, European history and foreign languages. Would you favor or oppose public high schools offering an Advanced Placement course in African-American studies?

Favor	54%
Oppose	22%
Not sure	24%

47. For each of the following topics, please say which U.S. public high school students you think they are appropriate for: No students, only students enrolled in an Advanced Placement (AP) African-American studies course, or all students.

	No students	Only students taking AP African-American studies	All students	Not sure
The history of the slave trade in America	5%	11%	71%	13%
The role of slavery in the U.S. Civil War	6%	11%	71%	12%
The experience of African Americans during Reconstruction and Jim Crow	8%	17%	59%	16%
The civil-rights movement	5%	10%	74%	11%
African-American literature, art and culture	7%	20%	61%	12%
The Black power movement	22%	20%	41%	16%
Black feminism	22%	24%	36%	18%
Black conservatism	11%	25%	41%	22%
The Black Lives Matter movement	28%	16%	41%	15%
The debate over slavery reparations	22%	20%	43%	15%
The experience of queer Black Americans	31%	21%	30%	17%
Black activism to abolish prisons	29%	21%	32%	18%

48. As you may know, Florida recently announced that it will ban the AP African-American studies course from being taught in public schools, citing a pilot version that included all of the topics from the previous screen. Do you favor or oppose such a ban?

Favor	34%
Oppose	46%
Not sure	20%

49. This week, the College Board announced that it will remove contemporary topics such as Black Lives Matter, incarceration, queer life and the debate over reparations from its AP African-American studies curriculum while instead offering the topics as options for a required research project. Would you favor or oppose public high schools offering this revised Advanced Placement course in African-American studies?

Favor	38%
Oppose	35%
Not sure	27%

50. Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) training is designed to help organizations become more welcoming to members of traditionally marginalized groups. Have you ever attended a DEI training session at school or work?

Yes	27%
No	60%
Not sure	13%

51. How useful did you think the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) training session was?

Very useful	8%
Somewhat useful	10%
Useful	18%
Not very useful	4%
Not useful at all	5%
Not useful	9%
Not asked - Never attended DEI training or not sure	73%

52. Do you think Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) training sessions should be allowed or banned at school and in the workplace?

Allowed	50%
Banned	25%
Not sure	25%

53. Are you... ?

Male	49%
Female	51%

54. Respondent age by category

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

55. What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

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

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

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

57. 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%

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

Democrat	33%
Republican	27%
Independent	28%
Other	3%
Not sure	9%

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

Very liberal	10%
Liberal	17%
Moderate	33%
Conservative	17%
Very conservative	11%
Not sure	12%

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Polling Methodology and Margin of Error Calculation

The Yahoo! News survey was conducted by YouGov using a nationally representative sample of 1,585 U.S. adults interviewed online between February 2 – 6, 2023.

The sample was weighted according to gender, age, race, education, 2020 election turnout and Presidential vote, baseline party identification, and current voter registration status. Demographic weighting targets come from the 2019 American Community Survey. Baseline party identification is the respondent's most recent answer given prior to March 15, 2022, and is weighted to the estimated distribution at that time (32% Democratic, 27% Republican). Respondents were selected from YouGov's opt-in panel to be representative of all U.S. adults. The weights range from 0.1 to 5.6, with a mean of 1 and a standard deviation of 0.6.

The *margin of error* (a 95% confidence interval) for a sample percentage p based upon the entire sample is approximately 2.8%. It is calculated using the formula

$$\hat{p} \pm 100 \times \sqrt{\frac{1 + CV^2}{n}}$$

where CV is the coefficient of variation of the sample weights and n is the sample size used to compute the proportion. This is a measure of sampling error (the average of all estimates obtained using the same sample selection and weighting procedures repeatedly). The sample estimate should differ from its expected value by less than margin of error in 95 percent of all samples. It does not reflect non-sampling errors, including potential selection bias in panel participation or in response to a particular survey.