YouGov Survey: State of the Union
February 25 - 27, 2026 - 1,094 U.S. adult citizens

1. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement?
The text in brackets for each item shows whether it was said by Donald Trump in his State of the Union address or Abigail Spanberger in the Democratic response. The text in brackets was not shown to respondents.

	Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Somewhat disagree	Strongly disagree	Not sure
The United States was founded on the idea that ordinary people could reject the unacceptable excesses of poor leadership, band together to demand better of their government, and create a nation that would be an example for the world. [Spanberger]	50%	27%	6%	4%	14%
The first duty of the American government is to protect American citizens, not illegal aliens. [Trump]	46%	21%	13%	12%	7%
Our president has sent poorly trained federal agents into our cities, where they have arrested and detained American citizens and people who aspire to be Americans — and they have done it without a warrant. [Spanberger]	44%	13%	10%	22%	11%
Is the president working to make life more affordable for you and your family? We all know the answer is no. [Spanberger]	37%	14%	10%	29%	11%
Why would anybody not want voter ID? One reason: Because they want to cheat. There's only one reason. [Trump]	30%	16%	10%	29%	15%
There is no challenge Americans cannot overcome, no frontier too vast for us to conquer, no dream too bold for us to chase, no horizon too distant for us to claim. For our destiny is written by the hand of Providence. [Trump]	27%	28%	15%	13%	17%
Democrats are destroying our country. But we've stopped it just in the nick of time. [Trump]	18%	14%	10%	44%	14%
Our nation is back: Bigger, better, richer and stronger than ever before. [Trump]	17%	18%	13%	44%	9%

2. President Trump gave the annual State of the Union speech on Tuesday. Did you watch the speech?

I watched the entire speech	15%
I watched part of it	13%
I watched clips or highlights of the speech	16%
I read or watched news stories analyzing the speech	25%
I haven't heard anything about it	30%

3. How would you rate the quality of Trump's 2026 State of the Union speech?
Asked of those who heard at least something about Trump's speech

Excellent	25%
Good	12%
Fair	9%
Poor	10%
Terrible	37%
Not sure	6%

4. How would you compare the quality of Trump's 2026 State of the Union speech to other Trump speeches?
Asked of those who heard at least something about Trump's speech

Much better	16%
Somewhat better	17%
No difference	33%
Somewhat worse	11%
Much worse	16%
Not sure	9%

5. Which of the following words would you say describe Trump's 2026 State of the Union speech? Select all that apply
Asked of those who heard at least something about Trump's speech

Long	50%
Boastful	43%
Inaccurate	42%
Embarrassing	38%
Offensive	37%
Patriotic	37%
Divisive	35%
Inspiring	28%
Boring	26%
Accurate	25%
Confused	24%
Entertaining	20%
Unifying	15%
Dignified	15%
Humble	5%
Surprising	4%

6. Some congressional Democrats chose not to attend Trump's State of the Union speech. Which comes closer to your view?

All Democrats should have attended the State of the Union	31%
It's fine that some Democrats attended and some did not	37%
No Democrats should have attended the State of the Union	13%
Not sure	18%

7. When Donald Trump told members of Congress to "stand up and show your support" if they agreed that "the first duty of the American government is to protect American citizens, not illegal aliens," some Democrats remained seated. Was it acceptable or unacceptable for these Democrats to stay seated?

Acceptable	45%
Unacceptable	39%
Not sure	16%

8. Virginia Gov. Abigail Spanberger gave the Democratic response to Trump's State of the Union speech on Tuesday. Did you watch Spanberger's speech?

I watched the entire speech	8%
I watched part of it	6%
I watched clips or highlights of the speech	10%
I read or watched news stories analyzing the speech	16%
I haven't heard anything about it	53%
Not sure	7%

9. How would you rate the quality of Spanberger's speech?
Asked of those who heard at least something about Spanberger's speech

Excellent	17%
Good	24%
Fair	18%
Poor	11%
Terrible	18%
Not sure	11%

Interviewing Dates	February 25 - 27, 2026
Target population	U.S. citizens, aged 18 and over
Sampling method	Respondents were selected from YouGov's opt-in panel to be representative of adult U.S. citizens.
Weighting	The sample was weighted according to gender, age, race, education, U.S. region, 2024 presidential vote, 2020 election turnout and presidential vote, baseline party identification, and current voter registration status. Demographic weighting targets come from the 2019 American Community Survey. 2024 presidential vote, at time of weighting was estimated to be 48% Harris and 50% Trump. Baseline party identification is the respondent's most recent answer given around November 8, 2024, and is weighted to the estimated distribution at that time (31% Democratic, 33% Republican). The weights range from 0.052 to 5.056, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.935.
Number of respondents	1,094
Margin of error	$\pm$ 4.1 points (adjusted for weighting)
Survey mode	Web-based interviews
Questions not reported	85 questions not reported.

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Do you agree or disagree with the following statement?

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	Total	Gender		Age				Race			Education	
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	No degree	College degree
Strongly agree	50%	55%	45%	51%	37%	55%	55%	53%	49%	42%	46%	56%
Somewhat agree	27%	26%	28%	26%	26%	27%	28%	26%	29%	23%	26%	28%
Somewhat disagree	6%	6%	7%	10%	8%	5%	3%	6%	4%	13%	7%	5%
Strongly disagree	4%	5%	3%	2%	6%	4%	3%	4%	4%	2%	3%	5%
Not sure	14%	9%	18%	12%	24%	10%	10%	10%	14%	19%	18%	5%
Totals	101%	101%	101%	101%	101%	101%	99%	99%	100%	99%	100%	99%
Unweighted N	(1,094)	(507)	(587)	(254)	(268)	(335)	(237)	(722)	(133)	(153)	(686)	(408)

	Total	Party ID			2024 Vote		Family income			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Harris	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Strongly agree	50%	59%	48%	42%	62%	47%	47%	49%	60%	47%	50%	51%	49%
Somewhat agree	27%	22%	26%	31%	23%	31%	28%	27%	25%	23%	29%	25%	30%
Somewhat disagree	6%	6%	5%	8%	6%	6%	6%	6%	8%	6%	5%	5%	9%
Strongly disagree	4%	3%	4%	4%	2%	5%	4%	4%	4%	4%	6%	3%	2%
Not sure	14%	10%	16%	14%	7%	11%	16%	14%	4%	19%	10%	15%	10%
Totals	101%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	101%	100%	101%	99%	100%	99%	100%
Unweighted N	(1,094)	(343)	(471)	(280)	(446)	(347)	(388)	(316)	(268)	(194)	(216)	(411)	(273)

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1B. Agreement with Trump and Spanberger Statements — The first duty of the American government is to protect American citizens, not illegal aliens. [Trump]
Do you agree or disagree with the following statement?
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		Gender		Age				Race			Education	
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	No degree	College degree
Strongly agree	46%	49%	44%	33%	34%	56%	59%	52%	30%	35%	48%	43%
Somewhat agree	21%	24%	18%	26%	26%	19%	15%	19%	28%	26%	23%	18%
Somewhat disagree	13%	10%	15%	14%	13%	11%	15%	13%	11%	16%	9%	20%
Strongly disagree	12%	10%	15%	20%	13%	9%	9%	11%	20%	13%	11%	15%
Not sure	7%	6%	8%	7%	14%	5%	2%	6%	10%	10%	8%	5%
Totals	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	99%	100%	99%	101%
Unweighted N	(1,091)	(506)	(585)	(253)	(268)	(335)	(235)	(720)	(133)	(152)	(685)	(406)

		Party ID			2024 Vote		Family income			Region			
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Harris	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Strongly agree	46%	19%	40%	83%	18%	81%	47%	47%	49%	40%	54%	45%	48%
Somewhat agree	21%	29%	24%	10%	28%	10%	22%	22%	16%	23%	12%	24%	22%
Somewhat disagree	13%	23%	12%	4%	26%	5%	13%	12%	17%	15%	13%	11%	14%
Strongly disagree	12%	24%	13%	1%	23%	2%	10%	12%	14%	13%	14%	11%	13%
Not sure	7%	5%	11%	3%	5%	2%	8%	7%	4%	9%	6%	8%	4%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	101%
Unweighted N	(1,091)	(343)	(468)	(280)	(446)	(345)	(388)	(315)	(267)	(194)	(215)	(410)	(272)

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1C. Agreement with Trump and Spanberger Statements — Our president has sent poorly trained federal agents into our cities, where they have arrested and detained American citizens and people who aspire to be Americans — and they have done it without a warrant. [Spanberger]
Do you agree or disagree with the following statement?

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		Gender		Age				Race			Education	
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	No degree	College degree
Strongly agree	44%	43%	45%	45%	46%	43%	45%	43%	53%	43%	39%	53%
Somewhat agree	13%	12%	13%	15%	15%	12%	9%	9%	17%	24%	14%	9%
Somewhat disagree	10%	10%	9%	15%	7%	7%	11%	9%	15%	10%	11%	7%
Strongly disagree	22%	26%	19%	12%	14%	30%	31%	27%	6%	11%	21%	24%
Not sure	11%	9%	14%	13%	19%	9%	4%	11%	9%	11%	14%	6%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	101%	100%	99%	100%	99%	99%	99%
Unweighted N	(1,091)	(507)	(584)	(254)	(268)	(334)	(235)	(720)	(133)	(153)	(683)	(408)

		Party ID			2024 Vote		Family income			Region			
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Harris	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Strongly agree	44%	82%	41%	11%	82%	12%	45%	46%	44%	44%	46%	41%	49%
Somewhat agree	13%	9%	17%	11%	10%	11%	12%	10%	14%	8%	8%	15%	15%
Somewhat disagree	10%	2%	12%	14%	1%	15%	11%	8%	7%	9%	9%	9%	11%
Strongly disagree	22%	2%	14%	54%	4%	53%	17%	28%	27%	16%	24%	24%	22%
Not sure	11%	5%	16%	10%	4%	8%	15%	8%	8%	22%	12%	10%	4%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	99%	101%
Unweighted N	(1,091)	(342)	(471)	(278)	(445)	(345)	(388)	(314)	(267)	(193)	(216)	(409)	(273)

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1D. Agreement with Trump and Spanberger Statements — Is the president working to make life more affordable for you and your family? We all know the answer is no. [Spanberger]
Do you agree or disagree with the following statement?
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		Gender		Age				Race			Education	
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	No degree	College degree
Strongly agree	37%	37%	37%	37%	32%	38%	39%	39%	37%	32%	32%	45%
Somewhat agree	14%	13%	15%	22%	21%	9%	4%	11%	24%	16%	15%	11%
Somewhat disagree	10%	10%	10%	9%	11%	9%	11%	9%	8%	18%	10%	10%
Strongly disagree	29%	31%	28%	17%	21%	36%	39%	31%	24%	23%	29%	29%
Not sure	11%	10%	11%	14%	16%	7%	6%	11%	6%	11%	13%	6%
Totals	101%	101%	101%	99%	101%	99%	99%	101%	99%	100%	99%	101%
Unweighted N	(1,091)	(506)	(585)	(254)	(267)	(335)	(235)	(719)	(133)	(153)	(683)	(408)

		Party ID			2024 Vote		Family income			Region			
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Harris	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Strongly agree	37%	57%	33%	21%	61%	21%	37%	33%	39%	37%	42%	33%	39%
Somewhat agree	14%	11%	15%	14%	9%	13%	17%	12%	12%	16%	6%	18%	11%
Somewhat disagree	10%	6%	11%	13%	5%	15%	11%	10%	10%	7%	9%	7%	18%
Strongly disagree	29%	21%	24%	45%	21%	45%	24%	35%	33%	27%	34%	32%	23%
Not sure	11%	5%	17%	7%	5%	6%	11%	11%	5%	13%	8%	11%	10%
Totals	101%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	101%	99%	100%	99%	101%	101%
Unweighted N	(1,091)	(343)	(471)	(277)	(446)	(345)	(386)	(315)	(268)	(193)	(215)	(410)	(273)

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1E. Agreement with Trump and Spanberger Statements — Why would anybody not want voter ID? One reason: Because they want to cheat. There's only one reason. [Trump]
Do you agree or disagree with the following statement?

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	Total	Gender		Age				Race			Education	
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	No degree	College degree
Strongly agree	30%	35%	25%	14%	22%	36%	45%	35%	18%	21%	31%	28%
Somewhat agree	16%	15%	16%	23%	17%	13%	13%	13%	17%	22%	17%	15%
Somewhat disagree	10%	11%	10%	15%	16%	7%	5%	8%	14%	13%	11%	9%
Strongly disagree	29%	26%	32%	30%	23%	31%	32%	30%	31%	25%	23%	41%
Not sure	15%	13%	16%	19%	22%	13%	5%	14%	21%	18%	18%	8%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	99%	100%	101%
Unweighted N	(1,092)	(506)	(586)	(254)	(267)	(335)	(236)	(721)	(132)	(153)	(685)	(407)

	Total	Party ID			2024 Vote		Family income			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Harris	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Strongly agree	30%	10%	21%	63%	9%	65%	31%	30%	31%	22%	40%	30%	29%
Somewhat agree	16%	8%	18%	21%	8%	16%	16%	18%	15%	14%	8%	17%	21%
Somewhat disagree	10%	11%	14%	5%	12%	5%	12%	9%	9%	10%	6%	11%	13%
Strongly disagree	29%	59%	24%	6%	61%	8%	24%	30%	37%	29%	33%	26%	31%
Not sure	15%	12%	23%	5%	9%	5%	17%	12%	7%	24%	12%	16%	7%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%	99%	99%	99%	99%	100%	101%
Unweighted N	(1,092)	(341)	(471)	(280)	(444)	(347)	(387)	(315)	(268)	(194)	(215)	(410)	(273)

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		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	No degree	College degree
Strongly agree	27%	31%	24%	24%	21%	30%	34%	31%	24%	21%	27%	27%
Somewhat agree	28%	28%	29%	32%	28%	25%	30%	26%	37%	36%	30%	26%
Somewhat disagree	15%	14%	15%	11%	18%	14%	17%	14%	16%	14%	13%	19%
Strongly disagree	13%	11%	14%	12%	13%	15%	9%	14%	8%	9%	9%	19%
Not sure	17%	16%	18%	21%	21%	16%	11%	16%	14%	19%	21%	10%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	101%	101%	99%	99%	100%	101%
Unweighted N	(1,093)	(506)	(587)	(254)	(268)	(335)	(236)	(721)	(133)	(153)	(685)	(408)

	Total	Party ID			2024 Vote		Family income			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Harris	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Strongly agree	27%	16%	18%	52%	16%	52%	26%	29%	33%	21%	34%	28%	25%
Somewhat agree	28%	28%	27%	31%	27%	29%	34%	24%	27%	28%	30%	29%	27%
Somewhat disagree	15%	24%	14%	7%	23%	7%	14%	17%	17%	15%	12%	14%	18%
Strongly disagree	13%	17%	17%	3%	17%	4%	10%	14%	13%	11%	10%	14%	14%
Not sure	17%	15%	25%	8%	17%	7%	15%	16%	10%	25%	13%	16%	16%
Totals	100%	100%	101%	101%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	101%	100%
Unweighted N	(1,093)	(342)	(471)	(280)	(445)	(347)	(387)	(316)	(268)	(194)	(216)	(411)	(272)

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1G. Agreement with Trump and Spanberger Statements — Democrats are destroying our country. But we've stopped it just in the nick of time. [Trump]
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	Total	Gender		Age				Race			Education	
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	No degree	College degree
Strongly agree	18%	20%	17%	10%	14%	23%	25%	22%	9%	13%	18%	18%
Somewhat agree	14%	14%	14%	16%	11%	14%	14%	14%	13%	11%	14%	13%
Somewhat disagree	10%	12%	9%	15%	12%	6%	10%	9%	5%	18%	13%	6%
Strongly disagree	44%	41%	47%	38%	46%	43%	47%	42%	59%	42%	37%	57%
Not sure	14%	13%	14%	20%	17%	13%	4%	13%	13%	16%	18%	5%
Totals	100%	100%	101%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%
Unweighted N	(1,088)	(505)	(583)	(254)	(267)	(332)	(235)	(716)	(133)	(153)	(681)	(407)

	Total	Party ID			2024 Vote		Family income			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Harris	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Strongly agree	18%	2%	10%	46%	3%	44%	17%	20%	19%	16%	22%	19%	15%
Somewhat agree	14%	2%	16%	24%	1%	25%	16%	14%	14%	13%	12%	13%	17%
Somewhat disagree	10%	7%	14%	8%	5%	9%	12%	5%	12%	10%	11%	8%	15%
Strongly disagree	44%	86%	39%	9%	86%	12%	41%	48%	48%	41%	44%	45%	45%
Not sure	14%	3%	21%	13%	5%	9%	14%	14%	6%	20%	11%	16%	6%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	101%	99%	100%	100%	101%	98%
Unweighted N	(1,088)	(341)	(468)	(279)	(444)	(344)	(388)	(313)	(266)	(192)	(216)	(409)	(271)

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1H. Agreement with Trump and Spanberger Statements — Our nation is back: Bigger, better, richer and stronger than ever before. [Trump]
Do you agree or disagree with the following statement?

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		Gender		Age				Race			Education	
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	No degree	College degree
Strongly agree	17%	20%	14%	15%	12%	19%	22%	20%	10%	14%	17%	17%
Somewhat agree	18%	21%	15%	19%	11%	17%	24%	17%	14%	20%	18%	16%
Somewhat disagree	13%	14%	12%	15%	16%	12%	11%	12%	17%	16%	14%	11%
Strongly disagree	44%	39%	48%	41%	48%	44%	41%	42%	49%	40%	40%	50%
Not sure	9%	7%	11%	11%	13%	8%	2%	9%	10%	10%	10%	5%
Totals	101%	101%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%
Unweighted N	(1,094)	(507)	(587)	(254)	(268)	(335)	(237)	(722)	(133)	(153)	(686)	(408)

		Party ID			2024 Vote		Family income			Region			
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Harris	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Strongly agree	17%	2%	11%	42%	2%	40%	15%	19%	19%	14%	19%	18%	16%
Somewhat agree	18%	5%	17%	31%	6%	32%	18%	16%	23%	16%	15%	17%	22%
Somewhat disagree	13%	12%	16%	11%	12%	10%	12%	13%	13%	14%	10%	14%	14%
Strongly disagree	44%	77%	44%	10%	75%	12%	45%	45%	39%	45%	49%	41%	43%
Not sure	9%	5%	13%	6%	4%	6%	10%	7%	6%	11%	7%	10%	6%
Totals	101%	101%	101%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%
Unweighted N	(1,094)	(343)	(471)	(280)	(446)	(347)	(388)	(316)	(268)	(194)	(216)	(411)	(273)

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2. Watched State of the Union
President Trump gave the annual State of the Union speech on Tuesday. Did you watch the speech?

	Total	Gender		Age				Race			Education	
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	No degree	College degree
I watched the entire speech	15%	19%	12%	10%	12%	13%	27%	18%	8%	12%	16%	15%
I watched part of it	13%	12%	15%	8%	15%	13%	17%	14%	9%	9%	13%	15%
I watched clips or highlights of the speech	16%	17%	15%	20%	13%	16%	17%	15%	24%	18%	16%	17%
I read or watched news stories analyzing the speech	25%	26%	23%	22%	18%	32%	24%	25%	20%	27%	21%	32%
I haven't heard anything about it	30%	26%	35%	41%	41%	25%	16%	27%	39%	34%	35%	22%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	101%	99%	99%	101%	99%	100%	100%	101%	101%
Unweighted N	(1,092)	(507)	(585)	(254)	(268)	(335)	(235)	(720)	(133)	(153)	(684)	(408)

	Total	Party ID			2024 Vote		Family income			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Harris	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
I watched the entire speech	15%	8%	8%	33%	9%	32%	14%	18%	17%	12%	20%	12%	19%
I watched part of it	13%	13%	11%	16%	13%	16%	14%	13%	15%	8%	17%	13%	14%
I watched clips or highlights of the speech	16%	17%	15%	17%	19%	20%	16%	14%	20%	17%	16%	15%	17%
I read or watched news stories analyzing the speech	25%	39%	21%	16%	38%	16%	20%	28%	27%	26%	20%	27%	22%

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	Total	Party ID			2024 Vote		Family income			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Harris	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
I haven't heard anything about it	30%	23%	44%	18%	21%	16%	36%	26%	22%	36%	25%	32%	27%
Totals	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	101%	99%	98%	99%	99%
Unweighted N	(1,092)	(343)	(471)	(278)	(446)	(345)	(387)	(315)	(268)	(194)	(216)	(409)	(273)

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3. Rate State of the Union

How would you rate the quality of Trump's 2026 State of the Union speech?

Asked of those who heard at least something about Trump's speech

	Total	Gender		Age				Race			Education	
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	No degree	College degree
Excellent	25%	28%	22%	24%	17%	27%	31%	29%	*	15%	28%	21%
Good	12%	13%	11%	16%	14%	12%	10%	15%	*	14%	13%	11%
Fair	9%	12%	6%	10%	15%	6%	9%	7%	*	11%	9%	9%
Poor	10%	8%	13%	14%	14%	6%	10%	8%	*	17%	9%	12%
Terrible	37%	34%	40%	32%	35%	41%	36%	37%	*	36%	34%	42%
Not sure	6%	4%	8%	4%	6%	8%	5%	4%	*	7%	7%	5%
Totals	99%	99%	100%	100%	101%	100%	101%	100%	*	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(795)	(397)	(398)	(168)	(168)	(255)	(204)	(548)	(83)	(100)	(471)	(324)

	Total	Party ID			2024 Vote		Family income			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Harris	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Excellent	25%	1%	16%	57%	2%	53%	28%	27%	21%	19%	28%	29%	22%
Good	12%	1%	13%	22%	1%	24%	10%	14%	16%	16%	14%	10%	12%
Fair	9%	5%	13%	10%	5%	10%	10%	9%	10%	14%	9%	5%	15%
Poor	10%	18%	10%	3%	18%	2%	11%	8%	12%	12%	10%	9%	10%
Terrible	37%	72%	39%	2%	71%	7%	37%	35%	37%	34%	37%	38%	37%
Not sure	6%	3%	8%	7%	4%	4%	4%	7%	3%	5%	2%	9%	4%
Totals	99%	100%	99%	101%	101%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(795)	(267)	(303)	(225)	(358)	(287)	(253)	(242)	(219)	(140)	(162)	(288)	(205)

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4. Compare State of the Union

How would you compare the quality of Trump's 2026 State of the Union speech to other Trump speeches?

Asked of those who heard at least something about Trump's speech

		Gender		Age				Race			Education	
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	No degree	College degree
Much better	16%	18%	14%	18%	13%	14%	19%	18%	*	12%	18%	13%
Somewhat better	17%	17%	16%	12%	14%	20%	17%	20%	*	8%	18%	14%
No difference	33%	32%	34%	44%	33%	31%	26%	31%	*	34%	31%	36%
Somewhat worse	11%	10%	12%	10%	12%	11%	10%	9%	*	19%	9%	13%
Much worse	16%	17%	15%	12%	17%	17%	16%	13%	*	24%	16%	15%
Not sure	9%	7%	10%	5%	11%	7%	11%	8%	*	4%	8%	9%
Totals	102%	101%	101%	101%	100%	100%	99%	99%	*	101%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(791)	(394)	(397)	(168)	(167)	(254)	(202)	(546)	(82)	(100)	(468)	(323)

		Party ID			2024 Vote		Family income			Region			
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Harris	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Much better	16%	2%	6%	39%	2%	35%	19%	15%	12%	9%	19%	19%	13%
Somewhat better	17%	4%	16%	29%	5%	29%	13%	18%	24%	19%	18%	15%	16%
No difference	33%	35%	44%	19%	41%	20%	32%	33%	32%	34%	30%	34%	32%
Somewhat worse	11%	20%	9%	4%	16%	5%	10%	10%	12%	14%	6%	8%	17%
Much worse	16%	33%	15%	0%	31%	3%	19%	15%	15%	11%	19%	17%	14%
Not sure	9%	6%	10%	9%	5%	7%	7%	10%	6%	13%	8%	7%	9%
Totals	102%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	101%	101%	100%	100%	100%	101%
Unweighted N	(791)	(266)	(300)	(225)	(356)	(286)	(251)	(241)	(219)	(140)	(162)	(286)	(203)

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5. Words Describing State of the Union

Which of the following words would you say describe Trump's 2026 State of the Union speech? Select all that apply

Asked of those who heard at least something about Trump's speech

		Gender		Age				Race			Education	
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	No degree	College degree
Long	50%	49%	50%	47%	50%	46%	55%	50%	*	51%	42%	61%
Boastful	43%	43%	44%	34%	41%	43%	52%	47%	*	33%	37%	53%
Inaccurate	42%	40%	44%	41%	38%	42%	47%	42%	*	39%	37%	50%
Embarrassing	38%	37%	39%	34%	37%	40%	39%	38%	*	40%	32%	47%
Offensive	37%	38%	37%	36%	33%	40%	38%	37%	*	38%	32%	45%
Patriotic	37%	39%	34%	26%	29%	42%	42%	40%	*	32%	40%	32%
Divisive	35%	37%	34%	35%	39%	35%	34%	36%	*	41%	28%	47%
Inspiring	28%	32%	23%	22%	18%	30%	35%	31%	*	14%	31%	22%
Boring	26%	27%	25%	31%	31%	22%	26%	23%	*	30%	26%	27%
Accurate	25%	32%	18%	25%	18%	28%	27%	29%	*	15%	27%	23%
Confused	24%	23%	24%	27%	25%	25%	19%	23%	*	24%	22%	26%
Entertaining	20%	25%	14%	22%	19%	19%	20%	21%	*	14%	22%	16%
Unifying	15%	19%	12%	11%	17%	18%	14%	18%	*	6%	19%	10%
Dignified	15%	18%	11%	12%	6%	19%	20%	18%	*	4%	17%	12%
Humble	5%	7%	3%	7%	12%	3%	2%	5%	*	5%	6%	3%
Surprising	4%	4%	5%	9%	7%	2%	1%	4%	*	4%	4%	4%
Unweighted N	(793)	(395)	(398)	(168)	(167)	(255)	(203)	(547)	(82)	(100)	(469)	(324)

		Party ID			2024 Vote		Family income			Region			
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Harris	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Long	50%	67%	47%	36%	64%	35%	47%	47%	52%	48%	47%	50%	52%
Boastful	43%	59%	42%	30%	61%	29%	37%	44%	50%	42%	51%	38%	46%
Inaccurate	42%	79%	44%	6%	79%	8%	42%	37%	46%	41%	42%	42%	45%

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	Total	Party ID			2024 Vote		Family income			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Harris	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Embarrassing	38%	74%	39%	3%	73%	8%	39%	35%	44%	37%	38%	36%	42%
Offensive	37%	70%	41%	4%	69%	9%	40%	27%	46%	41%	38%	34%	40%
Patriotic	37%	3%	32%	72%	3%	74%	37%	40%	39%	40%	41%	35%	34%
Divisive	35%	68%	34%	7%	67%	10%	32%	36%	40%	29%	34%	36%	41%
Inspiring	28%	2%	24%	54%	1%	54%	28%	29%	26%	31%	32%	24%	28%
Boring	26%	47%	31%	3%	45%	4%	31%	19%	26%	29%	26%	26%	25%
Accurate	25%	2%	19%	53%	3%	52%	26%	26%	27%	27%	29%	27%	17%
Confused	24%	41%	28%	3%	43%	4%	26%	21%	23%	32%	18%	22%	25%
Entertaining	20%	2%	17%	39%	4%	37%	21%	16%	24%	27%	20%	18%	17%
Unifying	15%	3%	10%	32%	4%	30%	17%	17%	14%	13%	23%	16%	10%
Dignified	15%	0%	9%	35%	1%	33%	17%	15%	15%	15%	22%	14%	11%
Humble	5%	1%	5%	9%	1%	8%	7%	5%	3%	6%	5%	5%	5%
Surprising	4%	3%	3%	7%	3%	6%	5%	4%	4%	6%	4%	3%	6%
Unweighted N	(793)	(266)	(302)	(225)	(357)	(287)	(252)	(242)	(219)	(140)	(162)	(287)	(204)

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6. Views on Democratic Absences

Some congressional Democrats chose not to attend Trump's State of the Union speech. Which comes closer to your view?

		Gender		Age				Race			Education	
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	No degree	College degree
All Democrats should have attended the State of the Union	31%	34%	28%	21%	23%	38%	40%	36%	11%	26%	29%	34%
It's fine that some Democrats attended and some did not	37%	35%	40%	39%	39%	35%	38%	36%	42%	42%	35%	42%
No Democrats should have attended the State of the Union	13%	14%	13%	16%	14%	12%	13%	13%	24%	10%	13%	14%
Not sure	18%	17%	19%	25%	25%	15%	9%	16%	23%	21%	23%	10%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	101%	101%	100%	100%	101%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(1,094)	(507)	(587)	(254)	(268)	(335)	(237)	(722)	(133)	(153)	(686)	(408)

		Party ID			2024 Vote		Family income			Region			
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Harris	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
All Democrats should have attended the State of the Union	31%	8%	26%	62%	10%	61%	26%	38%	37%	27%	39%	30%	30%
It's fine that some Democrats attended and some did not	37%	56%	34%	24%	58%	25%	36%	39%	41%	36%	35%	34%	47%
No Democrats should have attended the State of the Union	13%	28%	10%	4%	25%	6%	14%	13%	13%	17%	12%	15%	9%
Not sure	18%	7%	31%	11%	7%	8%	24%	10%	9%	20%	14%	22%	14%

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	Total	Party ID			2024 Vote		Family income			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Harris	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Totals	99%	99%	101%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%
Unweighted N	(1,094)	(343)	(471)	(280)	(446)	(347)	(388)	(316)	(268)	(194)	(216)	(411)	(273)

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7. Approval of Democrats Staying Seated

When Donald Trump told members of Congress to "stand up and show your support" if they agreed that "the first duty of the American government is to protect American citizens, not illegal aliens," some Democrats remained seated. Was it acceptable or unacceptable for these Democrats to stay seated?

		Gender		Age				Race			Education	
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	No degree	College degree
Acceptable	45%	43%	47%	53%	50%	39%	43%	42%	54%	49%	39%	56%
Unacceptable	39%	42%	36%	26%	28%	51%	47%	44%	22%	29%	40%	36%
Not sure	16%	15%	17%	22%	23%	11%	10%	14%	24%	22%	20%	8%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	101%	101%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Unweighted N	(1,091)	(506)	(585)	(253)	(267)	(335)	(236)	(719)	(133)	(153)	(685)	(406)

		Party ID			2024 Vote		Family income			Region			
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Harris	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Acceptable	45%	80%	44%	12%	79%	15%	42%	43%	53%	46%	45%	40%	55%
Unacceptable	39%	10%	30%	82%	10%	80%	36%	43%	40%	34%	44%	41%	34%
Not sure	16%	11%	26%	7%	10%	5%	21%	14%	6%	20%	11%	19%	11%
Totals	100%	101%	100%	101%	99%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(1,091)	(342)	(471)	(278)	(445)	(345)	(386)	(315)	(268)	(192)	(216)	(410)	(273)

8. Watched State of the Union Response

Virginia Gov. Abigail Spanberger gave the Democratic response to Trump's State of the Union speech on Tuesday. Did you watch Spanberger's speech?

	Total	Gender		Age				Race			Education	
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	No degree	College degree
I watched the entire speech	8%	9%	7%	8%	5%	7%	12%	8%	8%	8%	7%	9%
I watched part of it	6%	9%	3%	7%	5%	6%	6%	6%	12%	5%	6%	7%
I watched clips or highlights of the speech	10%	9%	11%	11%	10%	7%	13%	11%	14%	8%	10%	11%
I read or watched news stories analyzing the speech	16%	18%	14%	11%	10%	22%	19%	19%	7%	13%	12%	23%
I haven't heard anything about it	53%	48%	58%	48%	59%	56%	48%	52%	44%	57%	55%	49%
Not sure	7%	7%	6%	16%	11%	2%	2%	5%	17%	10%	10%	2%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	101%	100%	100%	100%	101%	102%	101%	100%	101%
Unweighted N	(1,092)	(507)	(585)	(254)	(267)	(334)	(237)	(720)	(133)	(153)	(684)	(408)

	Total	Party ID			2024 Vote		Family income			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Harris	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
I watched the entire speech	8%	9%	5%	9%	12%	9%	7%	7%	12%	5%	6%	8%	10%
I watched part of it	6%	7%	4%	8%	7%	9%	7%	6%	7%	8%	5%	4%	8%
I watched clips or highlights of the speech	10%	15%	6%	11%	16%	12%	9%	13%	12%	11%	14%	9%	9%
I read or watched news stories analyzing the speech	16%	19%	13%	16%	18%	21%	10%	19%	23%	17%	17%	17%	12%

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	Total	Party ID			2024 Vote		Family income			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Harris	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
I haven't heard anything about it	53%	44%	60%	52%	44%	48%	56%	50%	43%	46%	54%	54%	57%
Not sure	7%	5%	11%	3%	3%	2%	11%	5%	2%	13%	4%	8%	3%
Totals	100%	99%	99%	99%	100%	101%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Unweighted N	(1,092)	(343)	(470)	(279)	(446)	(345)	(387)	(315)	(268)	(194)	(216)	(410)	(272)

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9. Rate Democratic Response
How would you rate the quality of Spanberger's speech?
Asked of those who heard at least something about Spanberger's speech

| | Total | Gender | | Age | | | | Race | | | Education | |
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	No degree	College degree
Excellent	17%	16%	19%	9%	*	14%	31%	17%	*	*	16%	19%
Good	24%	20%	29%	28%	*	24%	18%	25%	*	*	22%	27%
Fair	18%	15%	21%	25%	*	16%	12%	14%	*	*	16%	21%
Poor	11%	12%	10%	6%	*	14%	9%	13%	*	*	10%	11%
Terrible	18%	24%	12%	15%	*	21%	19%	19%	*	*	22%	14%
Not sure	11%	13%	9%	16%	*	11%	10%	12%	*	*	14%	8%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	99%	*	100%	99%	100%	*	*	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(456)	(235)	(221)	(101)	(81)	(148)	(126)	(317)	(51)	(53)	(258)	(198)

| | Total | Party ID | | | 2024 Vote | | Family income | | | Region | | | |
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Harris	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Excellent	17%	34%	15%	1%	36%	4%	20%	12%	20%	*	*	17%	26%
Good	24%	37%	25%	9%	38%	10%	20%	25%	26%	*	*	21%	19%
Fair	18%	13%	26%	16%	15%	16%	23%	19%	14%	*	*	14%	27%
Poor	11%	4%	11%	19%	2%	18%	6%	14%	13%	*	*	12%	12%
Terrible	18%	1%	11%	46%	1%	42%	18%	15%	22%	*	*	21%	14%
Not sure	11%	12%	13%	9%	8%	10%	13%	14%	5%	*	*	15%	4%
Totals	99%	101%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	*	*	100%	102%
Unweighted N	(456)	(172)	(163)	(121)	(231)	(164)	(131)	(144)	(148)	(86)	(94)	(162)	(114)

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Interviewing Dates	February 25 - 27, 2026
Target population	U.S. citizens, aged 18 and over
Sampling method	Respondents were selected from YouGov's opt-in panel to be representative of adult U.S. citizens.
Weighting	The sample was weighted according to gender, age, race, education, U.S. region, 2024 presidential vote, 2020 election turnout and presidential vote, baseline party identification, and current voter registration status. Demographic weighting targets come from the 2019 American Community Survey. 2024 presidential vote, at time of weighting was estimated to be 48% Harris and 50% Trump. Baseline party identification is the respondent's most recent answer given around November 8, 2024, and is weighted to the estimated distribution at that time (31% Democratic, 33% Republican). The weights range from 0.052 to 5.056, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.935.
Number of respondents	1,094
Margin of error	± 4.1 points (adjusted for weighting)
Survey mode	Web-based interviews
Questions not reported	85 questions not reported.