

CBS News Poll – August 12-14, 2026

Adults in the U.S.



Sample 2,287 Adults in the U.S.

Margin of Error ± 2.6 points

1. How would you rate the condition of the national economy today?

Very good	5%
Fairly good	26%
Fairly bad	34%
Very bad	31%
Not sure	4%

2. Which of these things do you, personally, think about when you evaluate whether the U.S. economy is good or bad? CHECK ALL THOSE YOU THINK ABOUT

Prices	89%
Jobs and unemployment rates	73%
Housing market	55%
Interest rates	50%
Income distribution	43%
Stock market	33%

4. How would you rate your own personal financial and economic situation today?

Very good	8%
Fairly good	42%
Fairly bad	26%
Very bad	17%
Not sure	7%

5. Compared to your parents' generation, do you think in general your opportunities to succeed in life are...

Better than theirs	33%
Worse than theirs	45%
About the same as theirs	22%

6. For people of your generation who want to do these things, do you think each of them has been easier, harder, or the same, compared to previous generations?

	Easier	Harder	Same
Go to a good college	28%	51%	21%
Having a good job	20%	58%	22%
Buying/owning a home	10%	78%	12%
Being financially secure	13%	71%	15%
Raising a family	8%	74%	17%

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7. Thinking about the U.S. economic system - that is, the way that the system works in terms of financial opportunities and chances for people to get ahead or not - overall, would you describe the U.S. economic system as...

Very fair	10%
Somewhat fair	30%
Somewhat unfair	33%
Very unfair	27%

8. Which best describes your feeling about how the U.S. economic system is working today?

Enthusiastic	6%
Satisfied	25%
Dissatisfied	49%
Angry	20%

9. In general, how much do you think the government - through things like laws, agencies, taxes and spending - should try to do, to make sure the U.S. economic system is fair?

A lot	50%
Some	31%
Not much	14%
Nothing at all	5%

10. Do you think the income gap between the richest Americans and middle class Americans is increasing, decreasing, or is it staying the same?

Increasing	73%
Decreasing	9%
Staying the same	17%

11. Do you feel wealthy people in the U.S. pay more than their fair share in federal income taxes, less than their fair share, or is the amount they pay about right?

More than their fair share	15%
Less than their fair share	67%
About the right amount	18%

12. Would you be willing or not willing to pay more in taxes, if you were certain that meant additional government funding for...

	Willing	Not willing
Health care	65%	35%
Police and law enforcement	47%	53%
Border and immigration enforcement	32%	68%
Food assistance	60%	40%
Military and defense	40%	60%
Housing	51%	49%
Education	62%	38%

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13. Do you think it is a good idea or bad idea for the U.S. government to own stock in private U.S. companies, or aren't you sure?

Good idea	12%
Bad idea	49%
Not sure	39%

14. Would you approve or disapprove of government price controls - that is, laws that limit the amount that companies can raise prices, or charge for products and services?

Approve	63%
Disapprove	37%

15. Do you consider the free market system in the U.S. to be good or bad for the nation's economy?

Very good	19%
Somewhat good	47%
Somewhat bad	26%
Very bad	8%

16. In the long run, what impact do you think AI (Artificial Intelligence) will have on the U.S. economy? Do you think AI will lead to most people having...

More economic opportunities	21%
Fewer economic opportunities	61%
Not change opportunities	18%

17. Is your view of socialism:

Very positive	9%
Somewhat positive	26%
Somewhat negative	14%
Very negative	28%
No opinion	23%

18. Is your view of capitalism:

Very positive	21%
Somewhat positive	25%
Somewhat negative	20%
Very negative	13%
No opinion	20%

19. In just a few words, what do you think "socialism" means? (Open end)

Government control	12%
Equality/Fairness	10%
Government/public services	10%
Government ownership	9%

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Common good/helping people	9%
Collective/community ownership	8%
Wealth redistribution	8%
Socialize (non-political, non-economic)	4%
Communism	3%
A system	2%
Negative (non-specific)	2%
Elitism	2%
Economic harm	2%
Taxes	2%
Positive (non-specific)	1%
Other mentions	4%
Don't know	12%

20. Which of these has been the most important in informing your view about socialism? What you have seen or heard from...

Personal experience	16%
School or college	12%
Books and articles	17%
Political leaders/elected officials	13%
Friends and family	11%
Social media	16%
News reports	15%

21. Do you generally think of socialism or socialist ideas as policies that make your personal economic and financial situation...

Better	29%
Worse	37%
Not matter either way	33%

22. Do you generally think of capitalism or capitalist ideas as policies that make your personal economic and financial situation...

Better	36%
Worse	30%
Not matter either way	34%

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23. In general, do you think U.S. politics would be better, worse, or the same with more of the following in elected office...

	Better	Worse	Same
More young people	53%	20%	27%
More older people	13%	44%	42%
More progressives	40%	31%	29%
More MAGA	24%	54%	22%
More moderates	47%	14%	39%

24. Is your opinion of the Democratic party:

Strongly favorable	15%
Somewhat favorable	29%
Somewhat unfavorable	23%
Strongly unfavorable	33%

25. Is your opinion of the Republican party:

Strongly favorable	17%
Somewhat favorable	23%
Somewhat unfavorable	20%
Strongly unfavorable	40%

27. When the Democrats have been in power in recent years, do you think their economic policies were:

Successful	46%
Not successful	54%

28. Which of these words, if any, do you feel describe the Democratic Party today?

Among registered voters

	Describes	Does not describe
Extreme	48%	52%
Reasonable	49%	51%
Weak	58%	42%
Strong	27%	73%
Effective	34%	66%

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29. Which of these words, if any, do you feel describe the Republican Party today?

Among registered voters

	Describes	Does not describe
Extreme	58%	42%
Reasonable	42%	58%
Weak	45%	55%
Strong	46%	54%
Effective	41%	59%

30. How much, if at all, does the Democratic Party agree with your views on things that you consider to be...

Among registered voters

	A lot	A little	Not at all	Not sure
Economic issues	27%	32%	36%	5%
Cultural issues	29%	28%	37%	6%

31. How much, if at all, does the Republican Party agree with your views on things that you consider to be...

Among registered voters

	A lot	A little	Not at all	Not sure
Economic issues	29%	24%	43%	4%
Cultural issues	27%	21%	46%	6%

32. Is the Republican Party today:

Among Republicans

More MAGA than you would like it to be	19%
About as MAGA as you would like it to be	55%
Not as MAGA as you want it to be	26%

34. Is the Democratic Party today:

Among Democrats

More progressive than you want it to be	8%
About as progressive as you want it to be	47%
Not as progressive as you want it to be	44%

35. When you hear some Democrats describe themselves as democratic socialists, in general do you consider that positive, negative, or neither?

Among Democrats

Very positive	19%
Somewhat positive	34%
Neither	35%
Somewhat negative	9%
Very negative	3%

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36. Which is more important for the Democratic Party to do right now?

Among Democrats

To show they are fighting for people 83%
 To show they have detailed policies 17%

37. On economic issues, the Democratic Party should be talking about:

Among Democrats

Big or fundamental changes in policies and approach, even if they are harder to do 68%
 Smaller or incremental changes to policies and approach, that might be easier to do 29%
 Not making changes to policies and approach right now 3%

38. Would you like to see the Democratic Party focus or not focus on plans for...

Among Democrats

	Focus	Not focus
Lowering inflation	96%	4%
Taxing the wealthy	91%	9%
Stopping Donald Trump's policies	92%	8%
Restricting ICE operations	86%	14%
Passing Medicare for all	90%	10%
Cutting funding for police	24%	76%

39. When you hear the term "Democratic establishment", do you consider it as something positive, negative, or neither?

Among Democrats

Very positive 19%
 Somewhat positive 29%
 Neither 34%
 Somewhat negative 14%
 Very negative 3%

* Questions held for future release.

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1. Condition of National Economy

How would you rate the condition of the national economy today?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very good	5%	7%	3%	6%	5%	4%	6%	2%	3%	11%
Fairly good	26%	34%	19%	32%	22%	23%	29%	9%	26%	46%
Fairly bad	34%	30%	37%	34%	37%	33%	32%	37%	39%	29%
Very bad	31%	24%	37%	23%	30%	35%	31%	51%	29%	11%
Not sure	4%	5%	4%	5%	6%	4%	2%	1%	3%	3%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,286)	(1,112)	(1,174)	(466)	(581)	(751)	(487)	(613)	(778)	(667)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Very good	5%	1%	2%	12%	5%	6%	4%	5%	6%
Fairly good	26%	11%	22%	49%	30%	15%	22%	29%	31%
Fairly bad	34%	39%	34%	29%	34%	32%	29%	32%	37%
Very bad	31%	46%	38%	7%	28%	43%	37%	30%	23%
Not sure	4%	3%	3%	3%	3%	4%	8%	4%	3%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,286)	(649)	(807)	(657)	(1,439)	(282)	(369)	(890)	(549)

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2. How Do You Evaluate Economy?

Which of these things do you, personally, think about when you evaluate whether the U.S. economy is good or bad? CHECK ALL THOSE YOU THINK ABOUT

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Prices	89%	87%	91%	87%	89%	90%	91%	95%	88%	85%
Jobs and unemployment rates	73%	71%	74%	70%	77%	72%	71%	86%	68%	69%
Housing market	55%	50%	59%	58%	55%	54%	52%	64%	56%	44%
Interest rates	50%	51%	49%	39%	51%	50%	60%	52%	50%	51%
Income distribution	43%	40%	45%	43%	52%	40%	36%	63%	41%	26%
Stock market	33%	36%	30%	28%	34%	33%	36%	28%	29%	44%
Weighted N	(2,287)	(1,112)	(1,175)	(466)	(581)	(752)	(488)	(613)	(778)	(667)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Prices	89%	92%	90%	85%	90%	85%	91%	90%	89%
Jobs and unemployment rates	73%	82%	72%	68%	72%	70%	72%	66%	83%
Housing market	55%	61%	60%	43%	53%	54%	55%	52%	56%
Interest rates	50%	48%	52%	52%	52%	45%	48%	48%	58%
Income distribution	43%	58%	47%	26%	43%	46%	44%	37%	51%
Stock market	33%	28%	29%	46%	34%	22%	34%	31%	38%
Weighted N	(2,287)	(650)	(807)	(657)	(1,440)	(282)	(370)	(891)	(549)

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4. Personal Financial Situation

How would you rate your own personal financial and economic situation today?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very good	8%	11%	6%	4%	9%	8%	12%	6%	5%	17%
Fairly good	42%	46%	37%	44%	36%	39%	50%	40%	43%	48%
Fairly bad	26%	22%	31%	21%	28%	30%	24%	28%	29%	20%
Very bad	17%	14%	20%	18%	21%	18%	10%	21%	17%	11%
Not sure	7%	7%	6%	12%	6%	5%	4%	5%	6%	4%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,283)	(1,109)	(1,175)	(463)	(581)	(751)	(488)	(612)	(778)	(667)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Very good	8%	6%	5%	16%	9%	9%	6%	6%	14%
Fairly good	42%	43%	39%	50%	45%	38%	34%	39%	54%
Fairly bad	26%	28%	28%	20%	26%	30%	25%	29%	21%
Very bad	17%	17%	22%	9%	14%	18%	27%	19%	7%
Not sure	7%	5%	6%	4%	6%	5%	8%	7%	4%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,283)	(649)	(807)	(657)	(1,440)	(282)	(366)	(891)	(549)

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5. Opportunities to Succeed in Life

Compared to your parents' generation, do you think in general your opportunities to succeed in life are...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Better than theirs	33%	34%	31%	27%	29%	32%	42%	20%	31%	46%
Worse than theirs	45%	45%	45%	54%	53%	43%	31%	62%	45%	30%
About the same as theirs	22%	21%	23%	19%	18%	24%	27%	18%	24%	24%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,287)	(1,112)	(1,175)	(466)	(581)	(752)	(488)	(613)	(778)	(667)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Better than theirs	33%	25%	28%	46%	29%	40%	38%	28%	31%
Worse than theirs	45%	56%	50%	29%	47%	41%	45%	49%	43%
About the same as theirs	22%	19%	22%	25%	24%	19%	17%	23%	26%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,287)	(650)	(807)	(657)	(1,440)	(282)	(370)	(891)	(549)

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6A. Your Generation Had It Easier or Harder than Previous Generations — Go to a good college

For people of your generation who want to do these things, do you think each of them has been easier, harder, or the same, compared to previous generations?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Easier	28%	30%	26%	35%	31%	22%	27%	21%	28%	34%
Harder	51%	49%	53%	46%	51%	55%	49%	64%	51%	39%
Same	21%	21%	21%	18%	18%	22%	24%	15%	21%	27%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,284)	(1,110)	(1,174)	(466)	(581)	(750)	(487)	(611)	(777)	(666)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Easier	28%	23%	27%	35%	26%	33%	32%	22%	31%
Harder	51%	58%	54%	40%	50%	54%	54%	53%	45%
Same	21%	19%	19%	25%	24%	13%	14%	25%	23%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	(2,284)	(648)	(807)	(656)	(1,438)	(282)	(369)	(889)	(549)

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6B. Your Generation Had It Easier or Harder than Previous Generations — Having a good job

For people of your generation who want to do these things, do you think each of them has been easier, harder, or the same, compared to previous generations?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Easier	20%	21%	19%	18%	21%	17%	25%	13%	19%	28%
Harder	58%	56%	60%	64%	60%	59%	49%	73%	58%	45%
Same	22%	22%	21%	18%	19%	23%	26%	14%	23%	26%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	(2,285)	(1,111)	(1,174)	(466)	(581)	(752)	(487)	(611)	(778)	(667)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Easier	20%	14%	18%	27%	18%	28%	22%	17%	20%
Harder	58%	70%	61%	45%	58%	57%	60%	57%	58%
Same	22%	16%	20%	28%	24%	15%	18%	26%	22%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,285)	(648)	(807)	(657)	(1,438)	(282)	(370)	(890)	(548)

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6C. Your Generation Had It Easier or Harder than Previous Generations — Buying/owning a home

For people of your generation who want to do these things, do you think each of them has been easier, harder, or the same, compared to previous generations?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Easier	10%	10%	9%	10%	8%	7%	13%	8%	8%	14%
Harder	78%	76%	80%	80%	81%	80%	72%	87%	78%	68%
Same	12%	13%	11%	10%	11%	13%	15%	5%	13%	18%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	(2,284)	(1,111)	(1,173)	(466)	(581)	(751)	(486)	(612)	(777)	(665)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Easier	10%	7%	8%	14%	8%	17%	10%	6%	11%
Harder	78%	85%	81%	66%	77%	75%	81%	79%	74%
Same	12%	8%	10%	20%	14%	7%	9%	14%	15%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%	99%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	(2,284)	(649)	(806)	(656)	(1,437)	(282)	(370)	(888)	(549)

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6D. Your Generation Had It Easier or Harder than Previous Generations — Being financially secure

For people of your generation who want to do these things, do you think each of them has been easier, harder, or the same, compared to previous generations?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Easier	13%	17%	10%	12%	14%	12%	16%	8%	12%	21%
Harder	71%	66%	77%	71%	72%	74%	67%	82%	72%	59%
Same	15%	17%	13%	17%	14%	14%	17%	10%	16%	19%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	(2,282)	(1,110)	(1,172)	(466)	(579)	(752)	(486)	(612)	(776)	(667)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Easier	13%	9%	11%	22%	13%	17%	13%	10%	18%
Harder	71%	80%	73%	60%	72%	68%	72%	73%	69%
Same	15%	11%	16%	18%	15%	15%	15%	17%	13%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,282)	(649)	(807)	(654)	(1,437)	(282)	(369)	(891)	(547)

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6E. Your Generation Had It Easier or Harder than Previous Generations — Raising a family

For people of your generation who want to do these things, do you think each of them has been easier, harder, or the same, compared to previous generations?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Easier	8%	10%	7%	9%	10%	6%	10%	6%	9%	12%
Harder	74%	72%	76%	76%	76%	75%	69%	83%	73%	66%
Same	17%	18%	17%	15%	14%	19%	21%	11%	18%	22%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,283)	(1,112)	(1,171)	(466)	(581)	(748)	(487)	(610)	(778)	(665)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Easier	8%	6%	7%	13%	7%	11%	13%	6%	9%
Harder	74%	80%	77%	65%	74%	73%	74%	75%	71%
Same	17%	14%	16%	22%	19%	16%	13%	19%	20%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,283)	(646)	(807)	(656)	(1,437)	(282)	(370)	(890)	(547)

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7. Fairness of U.S. Economic System

Thinking about the U.S. economic system - that is, the way that the system works in terms of financial opportunities and chances for people to get ahead or not - overall, would you describe the U.S. economic system as...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very fair	10%	13%	7%	4%	7%	12%	16%	2%	5%	27%
Somewhat fair	30%	36%	24%	35%	29%	29%	30%	10%	34%	44%
Somewhat unfair	33%	28%	38%	35%	34%	31%	34%	35%	39%	21%
Very unfair	27%	23%	30%	26%	30%	28%	20%	53%	22%	8%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,283)	(1,111)	(1,172)	(466)	(581)	(749)	(487)	(611)	(777)	(667)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Very fair	10%	1%	7%	25%	11%	5%	7%	10%	14%
Somewhat fair	30%	13%	28%	47%	33%	18%	27%	36%	29%
Somewhat unfair	33%	43%	33%	21%	30%	41%	39%	29%	31%
Very unfair	27%	43%	32%	7%	25%	35%	27%	24%	26%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	(2,283)	(647)	(806)	(657)	(1,437)	(282)	(370)	(889)	(548)

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8. Describe How You Feel about How Economic System is Working

Which best describes your feeling about how the U.S. economic system is working today?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Enthusiastic	6%	7%	4%	5%	6%	6%	6%	1%	2%	14%
Satisfied	25%	34%	18%	30%	22%	24%	27%	5%	25%	48%
Dissatisfied	49%	41%	57%	43%	53%	50%	50%	53%	57%	33%
Angry	20%	18%	21%	22%	19%	20%	17%	41%	16%	5%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,281)	(1,109)	(1,173)	(466)	(578)	(750)	(488)	(611)	(776)	(667)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Enthusiastic	6%	1%	3%	14%	5%	7%	6%	5%	6%
Satisfied	25%	6%	22%	48%	30%	10%	20%	30%	30%
Dissatisfied	49%	59%	51%	34%	44%	64%	57%	46%	40%
Angry	20%	33%	24%	3%	21%	19%	17%	19%	24%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,281)	(648)	(804)	(656)	(1,436)	(280)	(370)	(888)	(548)

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9. Government Role in Fairness of U.S. Economic System

In general, how much do you think the government - through things like laws, agencies, taxes and spending - should try to do, to make sure the U.S. economic system is fair?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A lot	50%	47%	53%	48%	48%	52%	51%	72%	46%	33%
Some	31%	34%	29%	37%	34%	26%	30%	17%	37%	39%
Not much	14%	15%	12%	11%	13%	14%	15%	8%	12%	19%
Nothing at all	5%	4%	6%	4%	5%	7%	4%	3%	4%	8%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	99%
Weighted N	(2,282)	(1,109)	(1,173)	(466)	(578)	(751)	(486)	(612)	(778)	(662)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
A lot	50%	68%	50%	36%	47%	62%	54%	45%	50%
Some	31%	20%	30%	42%	34%	18%	31%	34%	34%
Not much	14%	9%	15%	15%	14%	15%	10%	14%	12%
Nothing at all	5%	3%	5%	6%	5%	5%	5%	6%	4%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	(2,282)	(649)	(806)	(654)	(1,435)	(282)	(369)	(890)	(545)

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10. Income Gap between Rich and Middle Class

Do you think the income gap between the richest Americans and middle class Americans is increasing, decreasing, or is it staying the same?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Increasing	73%	73%	74%	73%	76%	72%	73%	89%	75%	60%
Decreasing	9%	7%	11%	7%	7%	11%	10%	6%	9%	11%
Staying the same	17%	20%	15%	20%	16%	17%	16%	5%	16%	28%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	(2,283)	(1,110)	(1,174)	(466)	(578)	(751)	(488)	(610)	(778)	(665)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Increasing	73%	87%	80%	58%	74%	72%	70%	70%	82%
Decreasing	9%	8%	7%	11%	6%	14%	15%	8%	3%
Staying the same	17%	5%	13%	31%	20%	14%	15%	22%	15%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,283)	(650)	(804)	(656)	(1,440)	(280)	(369)	(891)	(549)

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11. Wealthy Pay More or Less than Their Fare Share in Taxes

Do you feel wealthy people in the U.S. pay more than their fair share in federal income taxes, less than their fair share, or is the amount they pay about right?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
More than their fair share	15%	18%	12%	13%	15%	16%	15%	6%	11%	28%
Less than their fair share	67%	59%	74%	64%	65%	70%	68%	89%	72%	41%
About the right amount	18%	23%	14%	23%	20%	14%	17%	5%	17%	31%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,280)	(1,111)	(1,169)	(464)	(579)	(750)	(487)	(612)	(776)	(665)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
More than their fair share	15%	6%	14%	24%	14%	11%	19%	12%	16%
Less than their fair share	67%	89%	71%	42%	66%	76%	64%	65%	66%
About the right amount	18%	4%	15%	34%	20%	12%	16%	22%	17%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	99%	99%
Weighted N	(2,280)	(649)	(803)	(655)	(1,434)	(282)	(369)	(885)	(549)

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12A. Willing or Not to Pay More Taxes for — Health care

Would you be willing or not willing to pay more in taxes, if you were certain that meant additional government funding for...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Willing	65%	64%	66%	82%	68%	56%	59%	86%	69%	43%
Not willing	35%	36%	34%	18%	32%	44%	41%	14%	31%	57%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,280)	(1,110)	(1,169)	(466)	(577)	(748)	(488)	(609)	(778)	(665)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Willing	65%	83%	68%	47%	61%	78%	70%	56%	69%
Not willing	35%	17%	32%	53%	39%	22%	30%	44%	31%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,280)	(647)	(805)	(656)	(1,436)	(280)	(368)	(888)	(548)

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12B. Willing or Not to Pay More Taxes for — Police and law enforcement

Would you be willing or not willing to pay more in taxes, if you were certain that meant additional government funding for...

	Total	Gender			Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female		Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Willing	47%	48%	45%	43%	38%	48%	58%	26%	51%	62%	
Not willing	53%	52%	55%	57%	62%	52%	42%	74%	49%	38%	
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
Weighted N	(2,282)	(1,111)	(1,171)	(466)	(581)	(749)	(486)	(610)	(778)	(667)	
	Total	Party ID				Race			White by Education		
		Dem	Ind	Rep		White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+	
Willing	47%	35%	44%	62%	48%	37%	48%	47%	51%		
Not willing	53%	65%	56%	38%	52%	63%	52%	53%	49%		
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%		
Weighted N	(2,282)	(647)	(806)	(657)	(1,438)	(280)	(369)	(891)	(547)		

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12C. Willing or Not to Pay More Taxes for — Border and immigration enforcement

Would you be willing or not willing to pay more in taxes, if you were certain that meant additional government funding for...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Willing	32%	37%	27%	27%	26%	36%	38%	12%	28%	57%
Not willing	68%	63%	73%	73%	74%	64%	62%	88%	72%	43%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,281)	(1,111)	(1,170)	(466)	(580)	(750)	(485)	(608)	(778)	(667)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Willing	32%	12%	28%	58%	34%	22%	31%	36%	32%
Not willing	68%	88%	72%	42%	66%	78%	69%	64%	68%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,281)	(646)	(805)	(656)	(1,435)	(282)	(369)	(889)	(546)

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12D. Willing or Not to Pay More Taxes for — Food assistance

Would you be willing or not willing to pay more in taxes, if you were certain that meant additional government funding for...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Willing	60%	60%	61%	73%	63%	54%	54%	85%	63%	36%
Not willing	40%	40%	39%	27%	37%	46%	46%	15%	37%	64%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,284)	(1,112)	(1,173)	(466)	(580)	(751)	(487)	(611)	(778)	(666)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Willing	60%	81%	63%	39%	56%	77%	64%	53%	62%
Not willing	40%	19%	37%	61%	44%	23%	36%	47%	38%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,284)	(648)	(806)	(657)	(1,437)	(282)	(370)	(890)	(547)

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12E. Willing or Not to Pay More Taxes for — Military and defense

Would you be willing or not willing to pay more in taxes, if you were certain that meant additional government funding for...

	Total	Gender			Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female		Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Willing	40%	44%	37%	37%	33%	42%	48%	21%	39%	60%	
Not willing	60%	56%	63%	63%	67%	58%	52%	79%	61%	40%	
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
Weighted N	(2,281)	(1,111)	(1,171)	(466)	(581)	(748)	(486)	(610)	(778)	(664)	

	Total	Party ID				Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep		White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Willing	40%	25%	34%	63%	40%	41%	41%	42%	37%	
Not willing	60%	75%	66%	37%	60%	59%	59%	58%	63%	
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
Weighted N	(2,281)	(648)	(806)	(655)	(1,435)	(281)	(370)	(888)	(547)	

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12F. Willing or Not to Pay More Taxes for — Housing

Would you be willing or not willing to pay more in taxes, if you were certain that meant additional government funding for...

	Total	Gender		Under 30	Age			Ideology		
		Male	Female		30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Willing	51%	48%	53%	63%	55%	46%	40%	74%	52%	29%
Not willing	49%	52%	47%	37%	45%	54%	60%	26%	48%	71%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,284)	(1,110)	(1,173)	(465)	(581)	(751)	(487)	(612)	(777)	(666)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Willing	51%	68%	54%	31%	47%	66%	57%	45%	49%
Not willing	49%	32%	46%	69%	53%	34%	43%	55%	51%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,284)	(649)	(805)	(657)	(1,438)	(282)	(368)	(890)	(548)

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12G. Willing or Not to Pay More Taxes for — Education

Would you be willing or not willing to pay more in taxes, if you were certain that meant additional government funding for...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Willing	62%	61%	63%	78%	68%	55%	49%	80%	67%	40%
Not willing	38%	39%	37%	22%	32%	45%	51%	20%	33%	60%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,279)	(1,109)	(1,170)	(466)	(578)	(749)	(486)	(610)	(776)	(663)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Willing	62%	77%	63%	45%	58%	74%	67%	54%	64%
Not willing	38%	23%	37%	55%	42%	26%	33%	46%	36%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,279)	(646)	(805)	(654)	(1,436)	(282)	(367)	(888)	(548)

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13. Government Stock Ownership in Private Companies

Do you think it is a good idea or bad idea for the U.S. government to own stock in private U.S. companies, or aren't you sure?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Good idea	12%	16%	8%	18%	17%	8%	6%	5%	12%	20%
Bad idea	49%	49%	49%	33%	44%	55%	62%	67%	49%	39%
Not sure	39%	34%	43%	49%	39%	37%	32%	28%	39%	41%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,283)	(1,112)	(1,171)	(466)	(578)	(751)	(488)	(613)	(778)	(667)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Good idea	12%	7%	7%	22%	12%	11%	12%	12%	14%
Bad idea	49%	63%	54%	35%	51%	46%	43%	48%	57%
Not sure	39%	29%	39%	43%	36%	43%	45%	40%	29%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,283)	(650)	(807)	(657)	(1,440)	(282)	(367)	(891)	(549)

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14. Approve or Disapprove of Government Price Controls

Would you approve or disapprove of government price controls - that is, laws that limit the amount that companies can raise prices, or charge for products and services?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Approve	63%	57%	69%	73%	65%	58%	58%	76%	65%	49%
Disapprove	37%	43%	31%	27%	35%	42%	42%	24%	35%	51%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,285)	(1,111)	(1,174)	(466)	(581)	(752)	(486)	(612)	(777)	(667)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Approve	63%	75%	62%	54%	63%	66%	65%	65%	60%
Disapprove	37%	25%	38%	46%	37%	34%	35%	35%	40%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,285)	(649)	(806)	(657)	(1,437)	(282)	(370)	(888)	(549)

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15. Free Market System Good or Bad for Nation's Economy

Do you consider the free market system in the U.S. to be good or bad for the nation's economy?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very good	19%	25%	15%	12%	16%	21%	28%	10%	13%	41%
Somewhat good	47%	46%	48%	54%	48%	44%	43%	37%	58%	43%
Somewhat bad	26%	21%	30%	26%	28%	26%	24%	40%	23%	12%
Very bad	8%	8%	7%	8%	8%	9%	4%	13%	6%	4%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,275)	(1,110)	(1,165)	(462)	(578)	(749)	(486)	(611)	(774)	(664)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Very good	19%	9%	16%	38%	22%	11%	16%	20%	26%
Somewhat good	47%	45%	46%	47%	47%	44%	47%	49%	43%
Somewhat bad	26%	34%	29%	13%	24%	35%	30%	23%	24%
Very bad	8%	12%	9%	2%	7%	10%	7%	7%	7%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	(2,275)	(645)	(803)	(654)	(1,432)	(280)	(368)	(883)	(549)

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16. AI Lead to More or Fewer Economic Opportunities

In the long run, what impact do you think AI (Artificial Intelligence) will have on the U.S. economy? Do you think AI will lead to most people having...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
More economic opportunities	21%	28%	16%	23%	27%	18%	19%	15%	21%	32%
Fewer economic opportunities	61%	53%	67%	57%	55%	66%	63%	75%	56%	51%
Not change opportunities	18%	19%	17%	20%	18%	16%	18%	10%	23%	17%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,285)	(1,111)	(1,174)	(466)	(581)	(751)	(487)	(612)	(778)	(665)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
More economic opportunities	21%	17%	16%	35%	21%	20%	24%	19%	23%
Fewer economic opportunities	61%	72%	65%	48%	60%	65%	59%	60%	61%
Not change opportunities	18%	11%	19%	17%	19%	15%	17%	21%	16%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,285)	(648)	(806)	(657)	(1,439)	(282)	(369)	(890)	(549)

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17. View of Socialism

Is your view of socialism:

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very positive	9%	10%	8%	12%	12%	8%	5%	24%	4%	4%
Somewhat positive	26%	24%	27%	31%	27%	20%	25%	47%	28%	7%
Somewhat negative	14%	16%	13%	17%	15%	12%	13%	8%	22%	11%
Very negative	28%	34%	23%	8%	20%	38%	45%	5%	19%	66%
No opinion	23%	16%	29%	31%	26%	22%	12%	16%	26%	11%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%
Weighted N	(2,285)	(1,112)	(1,174)	(466)	(581)	(750)	(487)	(612)	(777)	(667)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Very positive	9%	16%	8%	4%	9%	16%	7%	8%	11%
Somewhat positive	26%	42%	28%	10%	25%	32%	23%	19%	34%
Somewhat negative	14%	11%	16%	16%	13%	14%	15%	13%	13%
Very negative	28%	7%	26%	58%	35%	7%	19%	36%	34%
No opinion	23%	24%	22%	12%	18%	31%	36%	24%	8%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,285)	(648)	(807)	(657)	(1,439)	(281)	(370)	(890)	(549)

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18. View of Capitalism

Is your view of capitalism:

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very positive	21%	27%	14%	9%	15%	23%	33%	7%	12%	50%
Somewhat positive	25%	31%	20%	29%	26%	23%	26%	21%	33%	23%
Somewhat negative	20%	18%	23%	26%	21%	18%	18%	36%	22%	6%
Very negative	13%	11%	16%	15%	16%	14%	9%	25%	10%	7%
No opinion	20%	13%	27%	21%	22%	22%	14%	11%	23%	14%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,282)	(1,111)	(1,172)	(466)	(581)	(748)	(487)	(611)	(777)	(665)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Very positive	21%	6%	15%	47%	25%	10%	14%	23%	27%
Somewhat positive	25%	26%	26%	25%	25%	23%	27%	23%	29%
Somewhat negative	20%	31%	22%	8%	20%	19%	20%	16%	26%
Very negative	13%	19%	17%	6%	14%	19%	11%	16%	10%
No opinion	20%	18%	20%	14%	16%	28%	28%	22%	7%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	(2,282)	(647)	(806)	(656)	(1,437)	(280)	(370)	(888)	(549)

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19. What Socialism Means

In just a few words, what do you think "socialism" means? (Open end)

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Government control	12%	12%	12%	5%	9%	14%	19%	6%	11%	23%
Equality/Fairness	10%	8%	13%	12%	10%	11%	9%	16%	12%	5%
Government/public services	10%	10%	10%	11%	8%	11%	10%	19%	10%	5%
Government ownership	9%	10%	8%	13%	11%	6%	6%	8%	11%	10%
Common good/helping people	9%	9%	8%	10%	9%	7%	10%	16%	8%	2%
Collective/community ownership	8%	9%	7%	12%	12%	6%	5%	9%	7%	8%
Wealth redistribution	8%	9%	7%	2%	8%	10%	10%	6%	7%	13%
Socialize (non-political, non-economic)	4%	3%	4%	2%	7%	3%	2%	2%	2%	4%
Communism	3%	3%	3%	1%	1%	4%	5%	0%	3%	6%
A system	2%	3%	2%	6%	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	3%
Negative (non-specific)	2%	3%	1%	0%	3%	3%	2%	0%	2%	4%
Elitism	2%	3%	1%	1%	2%	2%	3%	0%	2%	3%
Economic harm	2%	2%	2%	0%	2%	2%	2%	0%	1%	4%
Taxes	2%	2%	1%	2%	0%	3%	2%	3%	1%	1%
Positive (non-specific)	1%	2%	1%	0%	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Other mentions	4%	3%	4%	5%	4%	2%	4%	3%	5%	3%
Don't know	12%	9%	15%	17%	10%	12%	8%	7%	15%	5%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	99%	98%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,287)	(1,112)	(1,175)	(466)	(581)	(752)	(488)	(613)	(778)	(667)

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	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Government control	12%	5%	12%	22%	14%	5%	11%	14%	15%
Equality/Fairness	10%	15%	12%	6%	10%	11%	12%	8%	14%
Government/public services	10%	19%	10%	4%	12%	5%	6%	9%	18%
Government ownership	9%	8%	10%	10%	7%	15%	10%	6%	10%
Common good/helping people	9%	13%	10%	2%	8%	14%	8%	9%	7%
Collective/community ownership	8%	10%	7%	9%	7%	9%	10%	6%	8%
Wealth redistribution	8%	6%	7%	11%	9%	3%	5%	9%	10%
Socialize (non-political, non-economic)	4%	3%	4%	3%	1%	10%	5%	2%	1%
Communism	3%	0%	2%	7%	4%	0%	2%	4%	3%
A system	2%	1%	4%	2%	2%	6%	3%	2%	1%
Negative (non-specific)	2%	0%	1%	4%	2%	1%	3%	2%	1%
Elitism	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%	3%	3%	1%
Economic harm	2%	0%	2%	4%	2%	0%	2%	2%	2%
Taxes	2%	1%	3%	1%	3%	0%	0%	3%	1%
Positive (non-specific)	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%
Other mentions	4%	3%	3%	4%	3%	4%	2%	4%	2%
Don't know	12%	11%	11%	8%	11%	13%	16%	16%	3%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	98%	99%	100%	100%	98%
Weighted N	(2,287)	(650)	(807)	(657)	(1,440)	(282)	(370)	(891)	(549)

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20. Most Important to Informing Your View about Socialism

Which of these has been the most important in informing your view about socialism? What you have seen or heard from...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Personal experience	16%	20%	12%	14%	15%	19%	15%	20%	14%	17%
School or college	12%	11%	12%	11%	10%	14%	12%	12%	14%	12%
Books and articles	17%	19%	16%	14%	15%	19%	21%	24%	16%	17%
Political leaders/elected officials	13%	12%	14%	8%	14%	13%	16%	14%	12%	13%
Friends and family	11%	8%	13%	13%	12%	10%	9%	9%	9%	12%
Social media	16%	17%	15%	30%	19%	10%	7%	11%	18%	12%
News reports	15%	13%	17%	9%	15%	15%	20%	10%	17%	17%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,264)	(1,108)	(1,156)	(462)	(580)	(742)	(481)	(608)	(775)	(661)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Personal experience	16%	15%	18%	15%	18%	12%	12%	15%	21%
School or college	12%	13%	12%	13%	13%	9%	6%	9%	19%
Books and articles	17%	17%	21%	16%	19%	15%	13%	16%	25%
Political leaders/elected officials	13%	18%	10%	14%	11%	19%	17%	13%	9%
Friends and family	11%	8%	10%	12%	10%	8%	15%	12%	7%
Social media	16%	12%	17%	13%	13%	20%	21%	18%	6%
News reports	15%	17%	12%	17%	15%	17%	16%	17%	13%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,264)	(642)	(797)	(654)	(1,422)	(280)	(369)	(876)	(546)

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21. Impact of Socialist Policies on Personal Financial Situation

Do you generally think of socialism or socialist ideas as policies that make your personal economic and financial situation...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Better	29%	30%	29%	39%	33%	24%	24%	61%	26%	10%
Worse	37%	41%	34%	16%	30%	47%	53%	11%	32%	74%
Not matter either way	33%	29%	37%	45%	37%	29%	23%	27%	42%	16%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,271)	(1,106)	(1,165)	(465)	(578)	(744)	(484)	(609)	(775)	(663)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Better	29%	52%	29%	13%	28%	41%	24%	22%	38%
Worse	37%	14%	36%	67%	42%	23%	30%	42%	43%
Not matter either way	33%	34%	35%	20%	29%	36%	46%	36%	19%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,271)	(643)	(803)	(653)	(1,432)	(279)	(365)	(883)	(548)

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22. Impact of Capitalist Policies on Personal Financial Situation

Do you generally think of capitalism or capitalist ideas as policies that make your personal economic and financial situation...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Better	36%	45%	26%	27%	31%	38%	46%	18%	32%	66%
Worse	30%	24%	37%	33%	32%	31%	25%	57%	27%	12%
Not matter either way	34%	31%	37%	40%	37%	31%	28%	25%	41%	22%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,277)	(1,111)	(1,167)	(464)	(581)	(745)	(487)	(610)	(775)	(666)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Better	36%	21%	32%	62%	39%	22%	32%	36%	45%
Worse	30%	47%	34%	12%	29%	41%	26%	28%	32%
Not matter either way	34%	32%	34%	26%	31%	37%	42%	36%	23%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,277)	(647)	(807)	(653)	(1,437)	(278)	(367)	(888)	(549)

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23A. Impact on U.S. Politics if More of These Types of People in Elected Office — More young people

In general, do you think U.S. politics would be better, worse, or the same with more of the following in elected office...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Better	53%	50%	54%	68%	54%	45%	48%	81%	55%	31%
Worse	20%	22%	19%	10%	16%	26%	27%	5%	18%	38%
Same	27%	27%	27%	22%	30%	29%	25%	14%	27%	31%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,285)	(1,112)	(1,172)	(466)	(580)	(752)	(487)	(613)	(778)	(664)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Better	53%	75%	53%	33%	49%	63%	57%	45%	57%
Worse	20%	7%	19%	36%	23%	17%	15%	24%	20%
Same	27%	18%	28%	31%	28%	20%	28%	31%	23%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,285)	(650)	(807)	(655)	(1,438)	(282)	(370)	(891)	(548)

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23B. Impact on U.S. Politics if More of These Types of People in Elected Office — More older people

In general, do you think U.S. politics would be better, worse, or the same with more of the following in elected office...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Better	13%	13%	14%	9%	15%	14%	15%	8%	12%	23%
Worse	44%	43%	45%	53%	45%	42%	38%	64%	44%	26%
Same	42%	44%	41%	38%	40%	44%	47%	28%	44%	50%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	(2,286)	(1,112)	(1,174)	(466)	(581)	(751)	(487)	(612)	(778)	(667)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Better	13%	10%	9%	25%	14%	15%	13%	15%	12%
Worse	44%	58%	47%	26%	44%	43%	48%	42%	47%
Same	42%	32%	44%	48%	42%	42%	38%	43%	41%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,286)	(649)	(807)	(657)	(1,439)	(282)	(370)	(891)	(548)

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23C. Impact on U.S. Politics if More of These Types of People in Elected Office — More progressives

In general, do you think U.S. politics would be better, worse, or the same with more of the following in elected office...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Better	40%	37%	42%	51%	45%	32%	34%	73%	37%	19%
Worse	31%	36%	27%	15%	22%	41%	42%	9%	27%	58%
Same	29%	27%	31%	34%	33%	26%	24%	18%	36%	23%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,283)	(1,109)	(1,174)	(463)	(581)	(752)	(487)	(613)	(775)	(666)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Better	40%	66%	38%	19%	38%	44%	40%	32%	46%
Worse	31%	12%	29%	54%	36%	18%	26%	35%	37%
Same	29%	22%	33%	27%	26%	38%	33%	33%	17%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,283)	(649)	(807)	(657)	(1,436)	(282)	(370)	(887)	(549)

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23D. Impact on U.S. Politics if More of These Types of People in Elected Office — More MAGA

In general, do you think U.S. politics would be better, worse, or the same with more of the following in elected office...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Better	24%	27%	21%	18%	18%	27%	30%	5%	13%	58%
Worse	54%	49%	58%	51%	57%	53%	53%	88%	60%	16%
Same	22%	24%	21%	31%	25%	20%	17%	7%	26%	25%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%
Weighted N	(2,286)	(1,112)	(1,174)	(466)	(581)	(752)	(487)	(612)	(778)	(667)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Better	24%	5%	13%	60%	28%	13%	18%	32%	22%
Worse	54%	88%	60%	14%	49%	70%	57%	42%	60%
Same	22%	7%	26%	26%	23%	17%	25%	25%	18%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	(2,286)	(649)	(807)	(657)	(1,439)	(282)	(370)	(891)	(548)

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23E. Impact on U.S. Politics if More of These Types of People in Elected Office — More moderates

In general, do you think U.S. politics would be better, worse, or the same with more of the following in elected office...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Better	47%	48%	46%	44%	44%	47%	53%	43%	62%	45%
Worse	14%	16%	13%	16%	14%	17%	10%	20%	7%	16%
Same	39%	36%	41%	40%	42%	36%	37%	37%	31%	39%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,284)	(1,110)	(1,174)	(465)	(580)	(752)	(487)	(611)	(777)	(667)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Better	47%	50%	49%	47%	49%	42%	45%	43%	58%
Worse	14%	15%	13%	14%	14%	16%	15%	15%	12%
Same	39%	35%	38%	39%	37%	42%	40%	42%	30%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,284)	(648)	(807)	(656)	(1,436)	(282)	(370)	(888)	(548)

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24. Opinion of the Democratic Party

Is your opinion of the Democratic party:

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Strongly favorable	15%	13%	16%	19%	11%	13%	17%	32%	11%	4%
Somewhat favorable	29%	24%	34%	34%	30%	26%	28%	43%	38%	7%
Somewhat unfavorable	23%	25%	22%	28%	29%	20%	16%	18%	32%	15%
Strongly unfavorable	33%	38%	28%	19%	30%	40%	39%	7%	19%	74%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,279)	(1,110)	(1,169)	(466)	(579)	(749)	(485)	(613)	(778)	(665)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Strongly favorable	15%	43%	5%	2%	10%	37%	17%	8%	14%
Somewhat favorable	29%	47%	32%	6%	26%	32%	35%	24%	30%
Somewhat unfavorable	23%	8%	33%	21%	23%	22%	24%	24%	22%
Strongly unfavorable	33%	1%	30%	71%	40%	9%	24%	44%	34%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,279)	(650)	(801)	(657)	(1,437)	(281)	(368)	(889)	(548)

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25. Opinion of the Republican Party

Is your opinion of the Republican party:

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Strongly favorable	17%	18%	15%	15%	17%	17%	18%	3%	5%	46%
Somewhat favorable	23%	26%	20%	18%	22%	23%	28%	4%	24%	38%
Somewhat unfavorable	20%	18%	23%	29%	21%	19%	14%	13%	33%	9%
Strongly unfavorable	40%	38%	42%	38%	40%	41%	40%	80%	38%	7%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,281)	(1,112)	(1,169)	(466)	(578)	(749)	(488)	(612)	(778)	(665)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Strongly favorable	17%	1%	3%	53%	20%	7%	18%	21%	18%
Somewhat favorable	23%	3%	24%	39%	26%	9%	19%	29%	21%
Somewhat unfavorable	20%	18%	29%	7%	18%	24%	25%	19%	15%
Strongly unfavorable	40%	78%	44%	1%	36%	60%	38%	31%	46%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,281)	(649)	(804)	(656)	(1,439)	(280)	(368)	(890)	(549)

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27. Recent Democratic Economic Policies

When the Democrats have been in power in recent years, do you think their economic policies were:

	Total	Gender		Under 30	Age			Liberal	Ideology	
		Male	Female		30-44	45-64	65+		Moderate	Conservative
Successful	46%	41%	51%	54%	43%	43%	45%	81%	50%	11%
Not successful	54%	59%	49%	46%	57%	57%	55%	19%	50%	89%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,260)	(1,099)	(1,161)	(448)	(576)	(748)	(487)	(612)	(766)	(665)

	Total	Party ID			White	Race		White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep		Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Successful	46%	87%	46%	8%	40%	74%	51%	34%	48%
Not successful	54%	13%	54%	92%	60%	26%	49%	66%	52%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,260)	(648)	(794)	(656)	(1,430)	(280)	(360)	(882)	(548)

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28A. Describe the Democratic Party — Extreme

Which of these words, if any, do you feel describe the Democratic Party today?

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Describes	48%	53%	44%	34%	42%	55%	53%	11%	43%	85%
Does not describe	52%	47%	56%	66%	58%	45%	47%	89%	57%	15%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,522)	(725)	(797)	(218)	(358)	(534)	(412)	(456)	(476)	(543)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Describes	48%	15%	46%	80%	53%	25%	46%	63%	41%
Does not describe	52%	85%	54%	20%	47%	75%	54%	37%	59%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,522)	(509)	(437)	(561)	(1,065)	(181)	(188)	(572)	(493)

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28B. Describe the Democratic Party — Reasonable

Which of these words, if any, do you feel describe the Democratic Party today?

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Describes	49%	42%	55%	63%	52%	43%	45%	85%	56%	11%
Does not describe	51%	58%	45%	37%	48%	57%	55%	15%	44%	89%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,525)	(725)	(800)	(218)	(358)	(535)	(414)	(457)	(478)	(543)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Describes	49%	90%	47%	12%	41%	84%	58%	34%	49%
Does not describe	51%	10%	53%	88%	59%	16%	42%	66%	51%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,525)	(511)	(438)	(562)	(1,067)	(182)	(188)	(573)	(494)

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28C. Describe the Democratic Party — Weak

Which of these words, if any, do you feel describe the Democratic Party today?

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Describes	58%	62%	54%	46%	55%	66%	57%	45%	54%	75%
Does not describe	42%	38%	46%	54%	45%	34%	43%	55%	46%	25%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,523)	(725)	(798)	(218)	(358)	(533)	(414)	(456)	(477)	(543)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Describes	58%	37%	61%	75%	62%	35%	51%	66%	58%
Does not describe	42%	63%	39%	25%	38%	65%	49%	34%	42%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,523)	(508)	(438)	(562)	(1,065)	(181)	(189)	(572)	(493)

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28D. Describe the Democratic Party — Strong

Which of these words, if any, do you feel describe the Democratic Party today?

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Describes	27%	24%	31%	42%	29%	22%	26%	37%	33%	13%
Does not describe	73%	76%	69%	58%	71%	78%	74%	63%	67%	87%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,521)	(725)	(796)	(218)	(357)	(535)	(411)	(455)	(478)	(541)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Describes	27%	48%	22%	13%	21%	55%	39%	19%	24%
Does not describe	73%	52%	78%	87%	79%	45%	61%	81%	76%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,521)	(508)	(437)	(561)	(1,066)	(182)	(186)	(574)	(492)

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28E. Describe the Democratic Party — Effective

Which of these words, if any, do you feel describe the Democratic Party today?

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Describes	34%	29%	39%	48%	38%	28%	31%	51%	41%	12%
Does not describe	66%	71%	61%	52%	62%	72%	69%	49%	59%	88%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,525)	(726)	(799)	(218)	(358)	(535)	(414)	(456)	(479)	(543)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Describes	34%	62%	28%	13%	26%	68%	47%	22%	31%
Does not describe	66%	38%	72%	87%	74%	32%	53%	78%	69%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,525)	(510)	(438)	(562)	(1,066)	(182)	(188)	(573)	(493)

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29A. Describe the Republican Party — Extreme

Which of these words, if any, do you feel describe the Republican Party today?

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Describes	58%	52%	63%	76%	64%	53%	51%	93%	67%	20%
Does not describe	42%	48%	37%	24%	36%	47%	49%	7%	33%	80%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,523)	(724)	(798)	(218)	(354)	(535)	(415)	(458)	(480)	(539)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Describes	58%	89%	64%	25%	52%	80%	68%	44%	61%
Does not describe	42%	11%	36%	75%	48%	20%	32%	56%	39%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,523)	(511)	(437)	(560)	(1,066)	(179)	(189)	(573)	(493)

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29B. Describe the Republican Party — Reasonable

Which of these words, if any, do you feel describe the Republican Party today?

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Describes	42%	47%	37%	41%	39%	43%	44%	8%	31%	83%
Does not describe	58%	53%	63%	59%	61%	57%	56%	92%	69%	17%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,522)	(725)	(797)	(218)	(357)	(534)	(413)	(455)	(479)	(543)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Describes	42%	6%	28%	86%	48%	17%	39%	54%	40%
Does not describe	58%	94%	72%	14%	52%	83%	61%	46%	60%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,522)	(507)	(438)	(562)	(1,064)	(181)	(190)	(572)	(492)

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29C. Describe the Republican Party — Weak

Which of these words, if any, do you feel describe the Republican Party today?

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Describes	45%	46%	44%	47%	41%	46%	46%	65%	50%	23%
Does not describe	55%	54%	56%	53%	59%	54%	54%	35%	50%	77%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,522)	(726)	(796)	(218)	(355)	(534)	(414)	(454)	(481)	(541)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Describes	45%	63%	56%	19%	41%	62%	52%	37%	45%
Does not describe	55%	37%	44%	81%	59%	38%	48%	63%	55%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,522)	(508)	(438)	(560)	(1,063)	(182)	(188)	(572)	(491)

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29D. Describe the Republican Party — Strong

Which of these words, if any, do you feel describe the Republican Party today?

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Describes	46%	47%	45%	51%	50%	44%	42%	23%	41%	71%
Does not describe	54%	53%	55%	49%	50%	56%	58%	77%	59%	29%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,521)	(725)	(796)	(218)	(357)	(533)	(412)	(453)	(479)	(543)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Describes	46%	22%	31%	79%	49%	31%	43%	54%	43%
Does not describe	54%	78%	69%	21%	51%	69%	57%	46%	57%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,521)	(505)	(438)	(562)	(1,062)	(181)	(189)	(572)	(491)

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29E. Describe the Republican Party — Effective

Which of these words, if any, do you feel describe the Republican Party today?

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Describes	41%	43%	39%	44%	41%	40%	40%	13%	33%	73%
Does not describe	59%	57%	61%	56%	59%	60%	60%	87%	67%	27%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,523)	(725)	(798)	(218)	(357)	(534)	(413)	(455)	(480)	(543)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Describes	41%	11%	26%	80%	45%	25%	39%	51%	37%
Does not describe	59%	89%	74%	20%	55%	75%	61%	49%	63%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,523)	(508)	(438)	(562)	(1,065)	(181)	(190)	(572)	(492)

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30A. Democratic Party Agree with Your Views — Economic issues

How much, if at all, does the Democratic Party agree with your views on things that you consider to be...

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A lot	27%	24%	31%	33%	26%	25%	29%	50%	30%	7%
A little	32%	31%	32%	44%	42%	27%	22%	42%	40%	13%
Not at all	36%	41%	31%	14%	25%	45%	44%	5%	23%	74%
Not sure	5%	4%	6%	9%	7%	3%	5%	3%	7%	5%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	(1,517)	(726)	(791)	(217)	(354)	(533)	(412)	(456)	(475)	(540)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
A lot	27%	58%	19%	6%	22%	56%	34%	18%	26%
A little	32%	37%	45%	16%	29%	32%	38%	24%	35%
Not at all	36%	2%	32%	70%	44%	7%	22%	51%	35%
Not sure	5%	3%	4%	8%	5%	4%	6%	7%	4%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,517)	(509)	(434)	(559)	(1,060)	(181)	(187)	(573)	(487)

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30B. Democratic Party Agree with Your Views — Cultural issues

How much, if at all, does the Democratic Party agree with your views on things that you consider to be...

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A lot	29%	24%	33%	39%	27%	26%	27%	58%	26%	7%
A little	28%	27%	29%	36%	39%	24%	20%	34%	41%	10%
Not at all	37%	44%	31%	18%	27%	45%	46%	5%	25%	76%
Not sure	6%	5%	7%	7%	7%	5%	7%	3%	8%	6%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	(1,516)	(723)	(793)	(218)	(355)	(532)	(411)	(455)	(475)	(540)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
A lot	29%	60%	21%	6%	24%	48%	34%	17%	31%
A little	28%	32%	40%	14%	25%	39%	34%	22%	29%
Not at all	37%	3%	33%	71%	44%	8%	27%	52%	35%
Not sure	6%	4%	6%	8%	7%	5%	5%	9%	4%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	(1,516)	(507)	(434)	(561)	(1,061)	(181)	(185)	(572)	(489)

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31A. Republican Party Agree with Your Views — Economic issues

How much, if at all, does the Republican Party agree with your views on things that you consider to be...

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A lot	29%	32%	27%	29%	25%	29%	34%	5%	15%	65%
A little	24%	27%	21%	25%	27%	26%	17%	10%	33%	27%
Not at all	43%	37%	47%	40%	44%	41%	45%	81%	47%	6%
Not sure	4%	3%	5%	6%	4%	4%	4%	4%	5%	2%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,517)	(722)	(795)	(216)	(357)	(533)	(411)	(454)	(479)	(537)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
A lot	29%	4%	14%	65%	33%	14%	29%	36%	29%
A little	24%	14%	33%	25%	25%	12%	22%	26%	24%
Not at all	43%	77%	49%	6%	38%	67%	45%	34%	43%
Not sure	4%	5%	3%	4%	4%	7%	4%	4%	4%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,517)	(505)	(437)	(561)	(1,064)	(178)	(188)	(571)	(493)

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31B. Republican Party Agree with Your Views — Cultural issues

How much, if at all, does the Republican Party agree with your views on things that you consider to be...

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A lot	27%	30%	24%	24%	26%	26%	29%	4%	12%	61%
A little	21%	24%	18%	22%	23%	23%	18%	6%	28%	28%
Not at all	46%	41%	51%	48%	45%	43%	48%	85%	53%	6%
Not sure	6%	5%	7%	6%	6%	7%	5%	5%	6%	5%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	(1,518)	(726)	(792)	(218)	(356)	(531)	(413)	(455)	(478)	(539)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
A lot	27%	3%	13%	59%	30%	11%	25%	35%	23%
A little	21%	9%	27%	28%	23%	8%	23%	24%	22%
Not at all	46%	82%	54%	6%	41%	74%	45%	34%	50%
Not sure	6%	6%	6%	7%	6%	7%	6%	7%	5%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,518)	(509)	(437)	(557)	(1,063)	(182)	(185)	(572)	(491)

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32. Republican Party Today Too MAGA or Not Enough

Is the Republican Party today:

Among Republicans

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
More MAGA than you would like it to be	19%	20%	19%	*	32%	17%	12%	*	31%	17%
About as MAGA as you would like it to be	55%	53%	57%	*	53%	53%	53%	*	49%	56%
Not as MAGA as you want it to be	26%	27%	24%	*	15%	30%	35%	*	20%	27%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	*	100%	100%	100%	*	100%	100%
Weighted N	(655)	(341)	(314)	(87)	(153)	(239)	(175)	(29)	(117)	(493)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
More MAGA than you would like it to be	19%	*	*	19%	16%	*	*	16%	16%
About as MAGA as you would like it to be	55%	*	*	55%	56%	*	*	53%	61%
Not as MAGA as you want it to be	26%	*	*	26%	28%	*	*	31%	23%
Totals	100%	*	*	100%	100%	*	*	100%	100%
Weighted N	(655)	(0)	(0)	(655)	(520)	(24)	(85)	(345)	(176)

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34. Democratic Party Today Too Progressive or Not Enough

Is the Democratic Party today:

Among Democrats

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
More progressive than you want it to be	8%	15%	4%	13%	12%	6%	5%	8%	9%	16%
About as progressive as you want it to be	47%	42%	51%	56%	47%	43%	44%	43%	58%	49%
Not as progressive as you want it to be	44%	43%	45%	31%	41%	51%	51%	49%	33%	35%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(648)	(246)	(402)	(149)	(156)	(191)	(152)	(407)	(178)	(34)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
More progressive than you want it to be	8%	8%	*	*	6%	13%	11%	5%	7%
About as progressive as you want it to be	47%	47%	*	*	46%	47%	52%	46%	46%
Not as progressive as you want it to be	44%	44%	*	*	48%	40%	37%	49%	47%
Totals	99%	99%	*	*	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(648)	(648)	(0)	(0)	(352)	(150)	(112)	(161)	(190)

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35. Democrats Who are Democratic Socialists a Positive or a Negative

When you hear some Democrats describe themselves as democratic socialists, in general do you consider that positive, negative, or neither?

Among Democrats

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very positive	19%	21%	18%	13%	26%	22%	13%	25%	8%	16%
Somewhat positive	34%	36%	33%	50%	31%	29%	27%	36%	31%	29%
Neither	35%	28%	39%	31%	33%	35%	40%	30%	42%	36%
Somewhat negative	9%	8%	9%	4%	6%	10%	15%	7%	15%	6%
Very negative	3%	7%	1%	2%	3%	4%	5%	2%	4%	13%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(649)	(247)	(402)	(149)	(156)	(191)	(152)	(407)	(179)	(34)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Very positive	19%	19%	*	*	20%	19%	13%	19%	21%
Somewhat positive	34%	34%	*	*	39%	29%	29%	34%	44%
Neither	35%	35%	*	*	27%	43%	42%	32%	22%
Somewhat negative	9%	9%	*	*	10%	4%	12%	12%	9%
Very negative	3%	3%	*	*	3%	5%	4%	3%	3%
Totals	100%	100%	*	*	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	(649)	(649)	(0)	(0)	(352)	(150)	(112)	(161)	(190)

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36. Democratic Party Do Now

Which is more important for the Democratic Party to do right now?

Among Democrats

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
To show they are fighting for people	83%	80%	84%	87%	87%	78%	80%	83%	79%	88%
To show they have detailed policies	17%	20%	16%	13%	13%	22%	20%	17%	21%	12%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(647)	(245)	(401)	(149)	(155)	(192)	(152)	(407)	(177)	(34)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
To show they are fighting for people	83%	83%	*	*	79%	83%	91%	83%	76%
To show they have detailed policies	17%	17%	*	*	21%	17%	9%	17%	24%
Totals	100%	100%	*	*	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(647)	(647)	(0)	(0)	(351)	(148)	(112)	(161)	(190)

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37. Democratic Party Approach to Economic Issues

On economic issues, the Democratic Party should be talking about:

Among Democrats

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Big or fundamental changes in policies and approach, even if they are harder to do	68%	73%	65%	73%	67%	65%	69%	71%	62%	75%
Smaller or incremental changes to policies and approach, that might be easier to do	29%	26%	31%	27%	32%	29%	28%	28%	33%	20%
Not making changes to policies and approach right now	3%	1%	3%	0%	1%	5%	3%	1%	4%	5%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	(647)	(247)	(399)	(149)	(155)	(192)	(151)	(406)	(178)	(34)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Big or fundamental changes in policies and approach, even if they are harder to do	68%	68%	*	*	66%	75%	71%	68%	64%
Smaller or incremental changes to policies and approach, that might be easier to do	29%	29%	*	*	33%	21%	25%	29%	35%
Not making changes to policies and approach right now	3%	3%	*	*	1%	4%	4%	3%	0%
Totals	100%	100%	*	*	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	(647)	(647)	(0)	(0)	(349)	(150)	(112)	(160)	(190)

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38A. Democratic Party Focus — Lowering inflation

Would you like to see the Democratic Party focus or not focus on plans for...

Among Democrats

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Focus	96%	96%	96%	99%	95%	93%	95%	97%	95%	86%
Not focus	4%	4%	4%	1%	5%	7%	5%	3%	5%	14%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(650)	(247)	(402)	(149)	(156)	(192)	(152)	(407)	(179)	(34)

	Party ID				Race			White by Education	
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Focus	96%	96%	*	*	96%	94%	95%	97%	95%
Not focus	4%	4%	*	*	4%	6%	5%	3%	5%
Totals	100%	100%	*	*	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(650)	(650)	(0)	(0)	(352)	(151)	(112)	(161)	(190)

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38B. Democratic Party Focus — Taxing the wealthy

Would you like to see the Democratic Party focus or not focus on plans for...

Among Democrats

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Focus	91%	93%	90%	90%	91%	89%	95%	93%	86%	86%
Not focus	9%	7%	10%	10%	9%	11%	5%	7%	14%	14%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(644)	(247)	(398)	(147)	(156)	(191)	(149)	(404)	(177)	(34)

	Party ID				Race			White by Education	
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Focus	91%	91%	*	*	95%	89%	86%	95%	95%
Not focus	9%	9%	*	*	5%	11%	14%	5%	5%
Totals	100%	100%	*	*	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(644)	(644)	(0)	(0)	(348)	(150)	(112)	(161)	(187)

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38C. Democratic Party Focus — Stopping Donald Trump's policies

Would you like to see the Democratic Party focus or not focus on plans for...

Among Democrats

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Focus	92%	91%	92%	89%	88%	95%	94%	94%	89%	76%
Not focus	8%	9%	8%	11%	12%	5%	6%	6%	11%	24%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(648)	(247)	(401)	(149)	(156)	(192)	(151)	(406)	(179)	(34)

	Party ID				Race			White by Education	
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Focus	92%	92%	*	*	94%	91%	84%	95%	94%
Not focus	8%	8%	*	*	6%	9%	16%	5%	6%
Totals	100%	100%	*	*	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(648)	(648)	(0)	(0)	(352)	(151)	(112)	(161)	(190)

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38D. Democratic Party Focus — Restricting ICE operations

Would you like to see the Democratic Party focus or not focus on plans for...

Among Democrats

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Focus	86%	87%	85%	84%	85%	85%	89%	90%	82%	67%
Not focus	14%	13%	15%	16%	15%	15%	11%	10%	18%	33%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(648)	(247)	(401)	(149)	(156)	(192)	(151)	(406)	(179)	(34)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Focus	86%	86%	*	*	90%	80%	85%	88%	92%
Not focus	14%	14%	*	*	10%	20%	15%	12%	8%
Totals	100%	100%	*	*	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(648)	(648)	(0)	(0)	(352)	(151)	(112)	(161)	(190)

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38E. Democratic Party Focus — Passing Medicare for all

Would you like to see the Democratic Party focus or not focus on plans for...

Among Democrats

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Focus	90%	89%	90%	93%	84%	92%	90%	91%	88%	77%
Not focus	10%	11%	10%	7%	16%	8%	10%	9%	12%	23%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(647)	(247)	(400)	(149)	(156)	(192)	(150)	(407)	(177)	(34)

	Party ID				Race			White by Education	
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Focus	90%	90%	*	*	89%	91%	91%	91%	88%
Not focus	10%	10%	*	*	11%	9%	9%	9%	12%
Totals	100%	100%	*	*	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(647)	(647)	(0)	(0)	(349)	(151)	(112)	(160)	(189)

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38F. Democratic Party Focus — Cutting funding for police

Would you like to see the Democratic Party focus or not focus on plans for...

Among Democrats

	Total	Gender		Under 30	Age			Liberal	Ideology	
		Male	Female		30-44	45-64	65+		Moderate	Conservative
Focus	24%	29%	21%	29%	26%	22%	20%	25%	22%	23%
Not focus	76%	71%	79%	71%	74%	78%	80%	75%	78%	77%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(645)	(247)	(399)	(149)	(156)	(190)	(150)	(405)	(177)	(34)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Focus	24%	24%	*	*	20%	38%	23%	28%	12%
Not focus	76%	76%	*	*	80%	62%	77%	72%	88%
Totals	100%	100%	*	*	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(645)	(645)	(0)	(0)	(348)	(150)	(112)	(160)	(188)

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39. View of Term Democratic Establishment

When you hear the term "Democratic establishment", do you consider it as something positive, negative, or neither?

Among Democrats

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very positive	19%	27%	15%	18%	22%	20%	16%	19%	17%	28%
Somewhat positive	29%	28%	29%	42%	23%	25%	27%	25%	38%	27%
Neither	34%	23%	41%	25%	35%	35%	42%	33%	37%	26%
Somewhat negative	14%	17%	12%	12%	17%	15%	12%	18%	6%	16%
Very negative	3%	5%	3%	3%	3%	5%	2%	5%	1%	2%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%	99%
Weighted N	(650)	(247)	(402)	(149)	(156)	(192)	(152)	(407)	(179)	(34)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Very positive	19%	19%	*	*	14%	28%	27%	22%	8%
Somewhat positive	29%	29%	*	*	27%	30%	25%	26%	28%
Neither	34%	34%	*	*	35%	33%	36%	40%	31%
Somewhat negative	14%	14%	*	*	19%	7%	10%	9%	27%
Very negative	3%	3%	*	*	4%	2%	2%	3%	5%
Totals	99%	99%	*	*	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	(650)	(650)	(0)	(0)	(352)	(151)	(112)	(161)	(190)

HOW THE POLL WAS CONDUCTED AND THE MARGIN OF ERROR CALCULATED

The CBS News/YouGov survey of 2,287 adults in the U.S. was conducted between August 12-14, 2026.

This sample was weighted according to gender, age, race, and education based on the U.S. Census American Community Survey, and the U.S. Census Current Population Survey, and 2024 Presidential vote. Respondents were selected to be representative of adults nationwide. The weights range from 0.1 to 5.0, with a mean of 1 and a standard deviation of 0.8.

The *margin of error* (a 95% confidence interval) for a sample percentage p based upon the entire sample is approximately ± 2.6 points. 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.