

CBS News Poll – September 8–11, 2026

Adults in the U.S.



2026 HOUSE ESTIMATE

D 228 - R 207

range: D 215/R 220 to D 237/R 198

Based on a statistical model incorporating voter responses to this survey.

Sample 2,460 Adults in the U.S.

Margin of Error ± 2.3 points

1. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as president?

Approve	39%
Disapprove	61%

2. Do you strongly [approve/disapprove] or somewhat [approve/disapprove]?

Strongly approve	19%
Somewhat approve	20%
Somewhat disapprove	13%
Strongly disapprove	48%

3. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling...

	Approve	Disapprove
The economy	34%	66%
Inflation	27%	73%
Immigration	45%	55%

4. Generally speaking, do you feel things in America today are going...

Very well	8%
Somewhat well	26%
Somewhat badly	27%
Very badly	39%

5. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling the situation with Iran?

Approve	36%
Disapprove	64%

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

Very good	6%
Fairly good	27%
Fairly bad	30%
Very bad	33%
Not sure	3%

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7. How much attention have you been able to pay to the 2026 midterm election campaign?

Among registered voters

Great deal	32%
Fair amount	42%
Not very much	21%
None at all	5%

8. As of now, do you plan to vote in the 2026 elections for U.S. Congress this November?

Among registered voters

Definitely will vote	78%
Probably will vote	12%
Maybe will, maybe won't	5%
Probably won't vote	3%
Definitely won't vote	1%

9. How do you feel about voting in the election in November?

Among registered voters

Very enthusiastic	47%
Somewhat enthusiastic	32%
Not very enthusiastic	21%

10. If the election for U.S. House of Representatives were being held today, who would you vote for in the district where you live?

Among likely voters, including those leaning toward a Democratic or a Republican candidate

Democratic candidate	54%
Republican candidate	46%
Other	0%
Not sure	0%
I would not vote	0%

11. In the 2026 elections, do you plan to vote:

Among likely voters

In person early, before Election Day	26%
In person on Election Day	44%
By mail or absentee ballot	30%

12. Do you plan to return your completed ballot...?

Among likely voters voting by mail or absentee ballot

By mail	61%
Drop box	32%
In person at an election office	7%

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14. How important will each of these issues be in your vote for Congress this year?

Among likely voters

	Very important	Somewhat important	Not too/not important
Economy	87%	12%	1%
Immigration	69%	25%	6%
Inflation	82%	16%	2%
The U.S.-Iran conflict	66%	28%	6%
Tariffs	58%	33%	9%
Taxes	67%	28%	5%
Healthcare	73%	22%	5%

15. Would your 2026 Congressional vote be...

Among likely voters

In support of Donald Trump	28%
In opposition to Donald Trump	45%
Not about Donald Trump	27%

16. Does the fact that Donald Trump is not directly on the ballot this year make you...?

Among registered voters

More interested in the election	18%
Less interested in the election	6%
Same interest either way	76%

17. Are you planning to vote for the Democratic candidate for Congress mainly to try to...?

Among likely voters intending to vote for a Democrat for Congress

Help the Democrats get their policies	46%
Stop Donald Trump and Republicans from getting their policies	54%

18. Are you planning to vote for the Republican candidate for Congress mainly to try to...?

Among likely voters intending to vote for a Republican for Congress

Help Donald Trump and Republicans get their policies	57%
Stop Democrats from getting their policies	43%

19. Is your opinion of the Democratic Party:

Among registered voters

Strongly favorable	14%
Somewhat favorable	30%
Somewhat unfavorable	20%
Strongly unfavorable	36%

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20. Is your opinion of the Republican Party:

Among registered voters

Strongly favorable	19%
Somewhat favorable	24%
Somewhat unfavorable	14%
Strongly unfavorable	42%

21. Would you prefer to vote for a candidate for Congress who supports or opposes Donald Trump's approach to each of the following, or doesn't it matter?

Among likely voters

	Supports Trump	Opposes Trump	Doesn't matter
Tariffs	30%	56%	14%
ICE operations	40%	52%	8%
The U.S.-Iran conflict	32%	56%	12%

22. If a candidate for Congress in your state or district is endorsed by Donald Trump, would that make you...

Among likely voters

More likely to vote for that candidate	21%
Less likely to vote for that candidate	48%
Not impact your vote either way	31%

23. If a candidate for Congress in your state or district is endorsed by people who identify themselves as democratic socialists, would that make you...

Among likely voters

More likely to vote for that candidate	26%
Less likely to vote for that candidate	42%
Not impact your vote either way	32%

24. Would you prefer to vote for a candidate for Congress who...?

Among likely voters

Supports building data centers in your local area	15%
Opposes building data centers in your local area	54%
Would not matter either way	31%

25. Would you prefer to vote for a candidate for Congress who...?

Among likely voters

Supports tax increases on wealthy Americans	58%
Opposes tax increases on wealthy Americans	20%
Would not matter either way	22%

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26. If the Democrats win control of Congress in 2026, do you think their policies would make you...?

Among registered voters

Financially better off	36%
Financially worse off	36%
Not change it either way	27%

27. If the Republicans win control of Congress in 2026, do you think their policies would make you...?

Among registered voters

Financially better off	28%
Financially worse off	46%
Not change it either way	26%

28. If the Democrats win control of Congress, do you think their policies would help...?

Among registered voters

Protect your culture and way of life	37%
Threaten your culture and way of life	37%
Not impact it either way	26%

29. If the Republicans win control of Congress, do you think their policies would help...?

Among registered voters

Protect your culture and way of life	37%
Threaten your culture and way of life	43%
Not impact it either way	20%

30. If you choose to vote in the 2026 congressional midterm elections this year, how confident do you feel that your own vote will be recorded and counted correctly?

Among registered voters

Very confident	43%
Somewhat confident	41%
Not very confident	12%
Not at all confident	3%

31. Thinking about your family finances, have higher prices for goods and services been...

Among registered voters

A financial hardship	33%
Difficult but not a financial hardship	39%
An inconvenience, but not difficult	23%
Finances have not been affected	4%

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

Among registered voters

Very good	9%
Fairly good	44%
Fairly bad	27%
Very bad	15%
Not sure	5%

33. Does your personal financial situation make you...?

Among likely voters

More likely to vote Democratic	40%
More likely to vote Republican	31%
No impact on vote either way	29%

34. Do you think that AI (Artificial Intelligence) will increase, decrease, or not have any impact on the number of jobs available in the U.S.?

Among registered voters

Increase	19%
Decrease	64%
Have no effect	17%

35. So far, do you think the "One Big Beautiful Bill Act" passed by Congress last year has...

Among registered voters

Helped you and your family	19%
Hurt you and your family	40%
Did not have an impact	21%
Not sure	19%

36. What is your impression of how the military conflict with Iran is going for the United States right now?

Among registered voters

Very well	9%
Somewhat well	26%
Somewhat badly	25%
Very badly	40%

37. Do you think the U.S. military conflict with Iran is making U.S. oil and gas prices...

Among registered voters

A lot higher	63%
A little higher	30%
No impact	6%
A little lower	1%
A lot lower	0%

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38. Do you think Americans should be willing, or not willing, to pay more for gas during the U.S. military conflict with Iran?

Among registered voters

Willing	29%
Not willing	71%

41. Compared to when you voted for Kamala Harris in 2024, today, are you more motivated, less motivated, or equally motivated to vote for the 2026 Democratic candidate in your congressional district?

Among registered voters who voted for Harris in 2024

A lot more motivated	41%
A little more motivated	12%
Equally motivated	41%
A little less motivated	3%
A lot less motivated	3%

42. Compared to when you voted for Donald Trump in 2024, today, are you more motivated, less motivated, or equally motivated to vote for the 2026 Republican candidate in your congressional district?

Among registered voters who voted for Trump in 2024

A lot more motivated	31%
A little more motivated	9%
Equally motivated	45%
A little less motivated	8%
A lot less motivated	7%

* Questions held for future release.

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1. Trump Job Approval (2 Categories)

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as president?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Approve	39%	46%	33%	42%	33%	41%	40%	6%	35%	77%
Disapprove	61%	54%	67%	58%	67%	59%	60%	94%	65%	23%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,455)	(1,196)	(1,259)	(514)	(620)	(801)	(519)	(659)	(778)	(753)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Approve	39%	4%	30%	83%	45%	18%	33%	50%	37%
Disapprove	61%	96%	70%	17%	55%	82%	67%	50%	63%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,455)	(703)	(811)	(736)	(1,541)	(307)	(393)	(956)	(585)

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2. Trump Job Approval (4 Categories)

Do you strongly [approve/disapprove] or somewhat [approve/disapprove]?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Strongly approve	19%	24%	15%	20%	16%	19%	24%	2%	13%	44%
Somewhat approve	20%	22%	18%	22%	17%	22%	16%	4%	22%	32%
Somewhat disapprove	13%	12%	13%	16%	16%	11%	8%	7%	17%	12%
Strongly disapprove	48%	42%	54%	42%	51%	48%	52%	87%	48%	12%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,455)	(1,196)	(1,259)	(514)	(620)	(801)	(519)	(659)	(778)	(753)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Strongly approve	19%	1%	11%	48%	23%	7%	18%	26%	17%
Somewhat approve	20%	3%	19%	35%	22%	11%	15%	24%	20%
Somewhat disapprove	13%	8%	16%	11%	12%	14%	12%	12%	12%
Strongly disapprove	48%	87%	54%	6%	43%	68%	55%	37%	51%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	(2,455)	(703)	(811)	(736)	(1,541)	(307)	(393)	(956)	(585)

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3A. Trump Issue Approval — The economy

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Approve	34%	40%	27%	40%	30%	33%	33%	8%	28%	67%
Disapprove	66%	60%	73%	60%	70%	67%	67%	92%	72%	33%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,458)	(1,197)	(1,261)	(516)	(620)	(801)	(520)	(659)	(779)	(753)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Approve	34%	5%	26%	71%	37%	18%	30%	41%	31%
Disapprove	66%	95%	74%	29%	63%	82%	70%	59%	69%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,458)	(704)	(812)	(735)	(1,542)	(307)	(395)	(957)	(585)

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3B. Trump Issue Approval — Inflation

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Approve	27%	33%	22%	31%	22%	27%	30%	4%	22%	58%
Disapprove	73%	67%	78%	69%	78%	73%	70%	96%	78%	42%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,459)	(1,197)	(1,262)	(516)	(621)	(802)	(520)	(659)	(780)	(754)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Approve	27%	3%	18%	63%	31%	13%	23%	34%	25%
Disapprove	73%	97%	82%	37%	69%	87%	77%	66%	75%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,459)	(704)	(812)	(737)	(1,543)	(307)	(395)	(957)	(586)

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3C. Trump Issue Approval — Immigration

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Approve	45%	51%	38%	44%	37%	48%	48%	8%	42%	86%
Disapprove	55%	49%	62%	56%	63%	52%	52%	92%	58%	14%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,459)	(1,197)	(1,262)	(516)	(621)	(801)	(520)	(658)	(780)	(754)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Approve	45%	7%	38%	91%	52%	25%	34%	58%	42%
Disapprove	55%	93%	62%	9%	48%	75%	66%	42%	58%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,459)	(703)	(812)	(737)	(1,543)	(307)	(395)	(957)	(586)

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4. Things in America

Generally speaking, do you feel things in America today are going...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very well	8%	10%	6%	11%	9%	6%	5%	3%	5%	17%
Somewhat well	26%	32%	21%	31%	22%	27%	27%	6%	28%	47%
Somewhat badly	27%	27%	27%	26%	30%	26%	25%	21%	33%	22%
Very badly	39%	31%	46%	32%	39%	41%	43%	70%	34%	13%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	(2,459)	(1,197)	(1,262)	(516)	(620)	(802)	(520)	(659)	(780)	(753)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Very well	8%	1%	3%	20%	9%	4%	8%	9%	8%
Somewhat well	26%	7%	24%	50%	30%	17%	24%	33%	25%
Somewhat badly	27%	25%	30%	22%	25%	29%	27%	24%	28%
Very badly	39%	67%	43%	7%	36%	50%	41%	34%	39%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,459)	(704)	(812)	(736)	(1,542)	(307)	(395)	(957)	(586)

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5. Trump Issue Approval - Iran

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling the situation with Iran?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Approve	36%	42%	30%	41%	32%	35%	37%	8%	32%	70%
Disapprove	64%	58%	70%	59%	68%	65%	63%	92%	68%	30%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,452)	(1,194)	(1,259)	(514)	(619)	(801)	(518)	(659)	(779)	(749)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Approve	36%	6%	27%	77%	41%	21%	30%	46%	33%
Disapprove	64%	94%	73%	23%	59%	79%	70%	54%	67%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,452)	(702)	(811)	(735)	(1,538)	(307)	(393)	(955)	(583)

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6. 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	6%	8%	4%	7%	8%	6%	5%	2%	4%	14%
Fairly good	27%	35%	20%	32%	24%	26%	28%	9%	27%	48%
Fairly bad	30%	27%	33%	33%	31%	29%	28%	35%	35%	21%
Very bad	33%	26%	39%	24%	33%	36%	36%	52%	30%	14%
Not sure	3%	3%	4%	4%	4%	3%	3%	2%	4%	3%
Totals	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,458)	(1,196)	(1,263)	(516)	(619)	(802)	(520)	(659)	(779)	(753)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Very good	6%	1%	2%	17%	6%	4%	8%	6%	6%
Fairly good	27%	8%	25%	51%	31%	18%	23%	30%	31%
Fairly bad	30%	34%	34%	22%	31%	27%	30%	28%	36%
Very bad	33%	54%	35%	8%	29%	47%	36%	32%	25%
Not sure	3%	2%	4%	2%	3%	4%	2%	3%	2%
Totals	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%
Weighted N	(2,458)	(704)	(812)	(736)	(1,543)	(306)	(395)	(958)	(585)

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7. Attention to Midterm Election

How much attention have you been able to pay to the 2026 midterm election campaign?

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Great deal	32%	38%	27%	25%	30%	32%	39%	44%	26%	30%
Fair amount	42%	45%	40%	47%	41%	40%	43%	44%	40%	43%
Not very much	21%	15%	26%	21%	25%	22%	15%	11%	27%	23%
None at all	5%	2%	7%	7%	4%	6%	3%	1%	7%	4%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,811)	(861)	(950)	(264)	(426)	(631)	(490)	(575)	(524)	(664)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Great deal	32%	41%	26%	30%	32%	28%	37%	28%	36%
Fair amount	42%	39%	45%	44%	43%	48%	37%	44%	41%
Not very much	21%	15%	25%	21%	20%	19%	21%	21%	20%
None at all	5%	5%	4%	5%	5%	5%	5%	6%	3%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	(1,811)	(604)	(504)	(676)	(1,270)	(219)	(224)	(690)	(580)

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8. Midterm Likely Voter

As of now, do you plan to vote in the 2026 elections for U.S. Congress this November?

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Definitely will vote	78%	81%	75%	67%	68%	80%	92%	87%	71%	78%
Probably will vote	12%	12%	12%	23%	18%	9%	5%	10%	14%	12%
Maybe will, maybe won't	5%	4%	7%	5%	8%	7%	2%	2%	8%	5%
Probably won't vote	3%	1%	5%	4%	4%	3%	1%	1%	5%	3%
Definitely won't vote	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	0%	0%	1%	2%
Totals	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	(1,810)	(862)	(948)	(264)	(427)	(630)	(489)	(575)	(524)	(665)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Definitely will vote	78%	84%	76%	77%	80%	77%	70%	77%	83%
Probably will vote	12%	11%	11%	13%	11%	13%	19%	11%	11%
Maybe will, maybe won't	5%	3%	7%	5%	5%	7%	6%	7%	3%
Probably won't vote	3%	2%	3%	4%	3%	1%	4%	4%	2%
Definitely won't vote	1%	0%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Totals	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,810)	(602)	(504)	(677)	(1,271)	(219)	(223)	(690)	(580)

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9. Enthusiasm for Voting

How do you feel about voting in the election in November?

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very enthusiastic	47%	55%	40%	41%	39%	47%	58%	57%	37%	48%
Somewhat enthusiastic	32%	28%	35%	35%	34%	32%	28%	28%	38%	30%
Not very enthusiastic	21%	17%	25%	24%	26%	21%	14%	14%	25%	21%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%
Weighted N	(1,812)	(862)	(949)	(264)	(427)	(631)	(490)	(575)	(524)	(665)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Very enthusiastic	47%	59%	34%	48%	47%	50%	46%	46%	48%
Somewhat enthusiastic	32%	28%	35%	33%	31%	35%	34%	29%	33%
Not very enthusiastic	21%	13%	31%	19%	22%	15%	20%	24%	19%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	(1,812)	(603)	(504)	(677)	(1,271)	(219)	(224)	(690)	(581)

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10. House Vote with Leaners

If the election for U.S. House of Representatives were being held today, who would you vote for in the district where you live?

Among likely voters, including those leaning toward a Democratic or a Republican candidate

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Democratic candidate	54%	48%	59%	63%	56%	49%	53%	95%	62%	9%
Republican candidate	46%	52%	40%	35%	44%	51%	46%	5%	36%	91%
Other	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Not sure	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
I would not vote	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	(1,750)	(835)	(915)	(251)	(385)	(616)	(498)	(566)	(513)	(626)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Democratic candidate	54%	99%	58%	2%	47%	87%	58%	38%	58%
Republican candidate	46%	1%	41%	98%	53%	13%	41%	61%	42%
Other	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Not sure	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%
I would not vote	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,750)	(615)	(513)	(586)	(1,250)	(204)	(189)	(690)	(560)

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11. Midterm Vote Method

In the 2026 elections, do you plan to vote:

Among likely voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
In person early, before Election Day	26%	27%	24%	26%	18%	26%	30%	27%	22%	27%
In person on Election Day	44%	45%	44%	58%	54%	45%	29%	36%	44%	52%
By mail or absentee ballot	30%	28%	32%	16%	28%	29%	41%	37%	34%	21%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,745)	(834)	(911)	(249)	(385)	(614)	(496)	(566)	(512)	(624)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
In person early, before Election Day	26%	23%	28%	25%	25%	28%	26%	23%	29%
In person on Election Day	44%	39%	41%	53%	45%	46%	42%	46%	43%
By mail or absentee ballot	30%	38%	31%	22%	30%	26%	32%	31%	28%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,745)	(615)	(511)	(586)	(1,247)	(202)	(189)	(687)	(560)

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12. Voting by Mail or Absentee

Do you plan to return your completed ballot...?

Among likely voters voting by mail or absentee ballot

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
By mail	61%	63%	59%	*	*	62%	63%	50%	68%	67%
Drop box	32%	32%	32%	*	*	32%	31%	43%	27%	22%
In person at an election office	7%	4%	9%	*	*	6%	6%	6%	5%	11%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	*	*	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(525)	(232)	(293)	(39)	(108)	(177)	(201)	(207)	(172)	(134)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
By mail	61%	57%	56%	74%	59%	*	*	66%	50%
Drop box	32%	40%	35%	15%	34%	*	*	26%	44%
In person at an election office	7%	3%	8%	11%	7%	*	*	8%	6%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	*	*	100%	100%
Weighted N	(525)	(237)	(156)	(127)	(370)	(51)	(62)	(215)	(155)

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14A. Issue Importance for Congressional Vote — Economy

How important will each of these issues be in your vote for Congress this year?

Among likely voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very important	87%	85%	88%	80%	86%	89%	87%	90%	87%	84%
Somewhat important	12%	14%	11%	15%	13%	10%	13%	9%	13%	14%
Not too/not important	1%	1%	1%	5%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	2%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,749)	(835)	(914)	(251)	(385)	(616)	(497)	(566)	(513)	(626)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Very important	87%	92%	83%	84%	85%	95%	88%	85%	85%
Somewhat important	12%	8%	16%	14%	14%	4%	11%	13%	14%
Not too/not important	1%	0%	1%	2%	1%	0%	1%	2%	1%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,749)	(614)	(513)	(586)	(1,250)	(204)	(189)	(690)	(560)

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14B. Issue Importance for Congressional Vote — Immigration

How important will each of these issues be in your vote for Congress this year?

Among likely voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very important	69%	69%	69%	68%	60%	68%	77%	70%	56%	79%
Somewhat important	25%	24%	27%	23%	32%	27%	20%	23%	37%	18%
Not too/not important	6%	7%	4%	9%	8%	5%	3%	7%	7%	3%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,749)	(835)	(914)	(251)	(385)	(616)	(496)	(566)	(513)	(626)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Very important	69%	67%	62%	76%	70%	59%	75%	75%	64%
Somewhat important	25%	26%	30%	20%	25%	32%	20%	21%	29%
Not too/not important	6%	7%	8%	3%	5%	9%	5%	4%	7%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,749)	(614)	(513)	(586)	(1,250)	(204)	(189)	(690)	(559)

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14C. Issue Importance for Congressional Vote — Inflation

How important will each of these issues be in your vote for Congress this year?

Among likely voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very important	82%	79%	85%	75%	81%	85%	81%	84%	82%	80%
Somewhat important	16%	19%	13%	18%	17%	14%	18%	13%	18%	18%
Not too/not important	2%	2%	2%	7%	2%	1%	1%	3%	0%	2%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,749)	(834)	(915)	(251)	(384)	(616)	(498)	(566)	(513)	(625)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Very important	82%	87%	80%	78%	79%	91%	87%	81%	77%
Somewhat important	16%	11%	18%	19%	18%	8%	12%	17%	20%
Not too/not important	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%	2%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	(1,749)	(615)	(513)	(584)	(1,250)	(204)	(189)	(690)	(560)

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14D. Issue Importance for Congressional Vote — The U.S.-Iran conflict

How important will each of these issues be in your vote for Congress this year?

Among likely voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very important	66%	66%	67%	61%	59%	64%	77%	78%	61%	61%
Somewhat important	28%	28%	28%	33%	33%	30%	19%	18%	32%	33%
Not too/not important	6%	6%	5%	6%	8%	6%	4%	4%	7%	6%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,749)	(834)	(914)	(251)	(385)	(616)	(497)	(566)	(513)	(625)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Very important	66%	77%	62%	58%	64%	68%	75%	64%	63%
Somewhat important	28%	18%	30%	37%	30%	25%	20%	29%	32%
Not too/not important	6%	5%	8%	5%	6%	7%	5%	7%	5%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,749)	(615)	(513)	(585)	(1,249)	(204)	(189)	(689)	(560)

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14E. Issue Importance for Congressional Vote — Tariffs

How important will each of these issues be in your vote for Congress this year?

Among likely voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very important	58%	56%	59%	56%	55%	58%	60%	72%	60%	44%
Somewhat important	33%	33%	32%	37%	38%	30%	30%	24%	31%	40%
Not too/not important	9%	11%	8%	7%	7%	12%	10%	4%	9%	16%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,749)	(834)	(914)	(251)	(385)	(615)	(498)	(566)	(513)	(625)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Very important	58%	73%	55%	43%	53%	73%	69%	53%	53%
Somewhat important	33%	24%	32%	43%	35%	23%	26%	33%	38%
Not too/not important	9%	3%	13%	14%	12%	4%	5%	13%	9%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	(1,749)	(615)	(513)	(584)	(1,249)	(204)	(189)	(689)	(560)

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14F. Issue Importance for Congressional Vote — Taxes

How important will each of these issues be in your vote for Congress this year?

Among likely voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very important	67%	64%	69%	61%	66%	66%	71%	59%	66%	73%
Somewhat important	28%	29%	27%	27%	30%	29%	25%	32%	30%	23%
Not too/not important	5%	6%	4%	12%	4%	5%	4%	9%	4%	3%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	(1,748)	(833)	(915)	(251)	(385)	(615)	(498)	(566)	(513)	(624)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Very important	67%	62%	63%	73%	64%	77%	73%	70%	58%
Somewhat important	28%	30%	31%	24%	29%	19%	24%	25%	35%
Not too/not important	5%	7%	5%	3%	6%	4%	3%	5%	7%
Totals	100%	99%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,748)	(615)	(513)	(583)	(1,248)	(204)	(189)	(689)	(559)

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14G. Issue Importance for Congressional Vote — Healthcare

How important will each of these issues be in your vote for Congress this year?

Among likely voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very important	73%	67%	78%	75%	74%	68%	76%	87%	73%	58%
Somewhat important	22%	25%	19%	18%	21%	25%	20%	12%	23%	31%
Not too/not important	5%	8%	3%	7%	5%	7%	4%	1%	4%	11%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,743)	(833)	(911)	(249)	(385)	(613)	(497)	(565)	(510)	(624)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Very important	73%	88%	67%	60%	68%	92%	80%	70%	66%
Somewhat important	22%	11%	25%	31%	25%	7%	17%	22%	29%
Not too/not important	5%	1%	8%	9%	7%	1%	3%	8%	5%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,743)	(612)	(512)	(584)	(1,247)	(202)	(188)	(688)	(560)

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15. Trump Impact on Congressional Vote

Would your 2026 Congressional vote be...

Among likely voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
In support of Donald Trump	28%	32%	25%	25%	27%	29%	30%	2%	17%	62%
In opposition to Donald Trump	45%	40%	48%	55%	43%	41%	45%	80%	48%	9%
Not about Donald Trump	27%	27%	27%	20%	30%	30%	24%	18%	35%	29%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,748)	(835)	(913)	(251)	(385)	(615)	(498)	(565)	(513)	(626)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
In support of Donald Trump	28%	1%	15%	70%	33%	7%	25%	40%	25%
In opposition to Donald Trump	45%	80%	48%	4%	40%	70%	46%	32%	49%
Not about Donald Trump	27%	19%	37%	26%	27%	23%	29%	28%	26%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,748)	(615)	(511)	(585)	(1,250)	(202)	(189)	(690)	(560)

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16. Effect of Trump Not Being on the Ballot

Does the fact that Donald Trump is not directly on the ballot this year make you...?

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
More interested in the election	18%	18%	19%	22%	23%	15%	16%	19%	24%	13%
Less interested in the election	6%	4%	7%	10%	10%	3%	2%	3%	4%	9%
Same interest either way	76%	78%	74%	67%	67%	81%	81%	78%	72%	78%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,810)	(861)	(949)	(264)	(427)	(631)	(488)	(575)	(524)	(664)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
More interested in the election	18%	25%	15%	15%	14%	34%	28%	16%	12%
Less interested in the election	6%	3%	4%	9%	6%	3%	6%	6%	6%
Same interest either way	76%	72%	81%	75%	80%	63%	66%	78%	82%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,810)	(603)	(503)	(676)	(1,269)	(219)	(224)	(689)	(580)

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17. Why Are You Planning to Vote for the Democrat

Are you planning to vote for the Democratic candidate for Congress mainly to try to...?

Among likely voters intending to vote for a Democrat for Congress

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Help the Democrats get their policies	46%	44%	47%	50%	51%	38%	48%	46%	45%	*
Stop Donald Trump and Republicans from getting their policies	54%	56%	53%	50%	49%	62%	52%	54%	55%	*
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	*
Weighted N	(837)	(351)	(485)	(141)	(188)	(265)	(242)	(528)	(247)	(44)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Help the Democrats get their policies	46%	54%	28%	*	42%	52%	55%	43%	42%
Stop Donald Trump and Republicans from getting their policies	54%	46%	72%	*	58%	48%	45%	57%	58%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	*	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(837)	(597)	(217)	(8)	(523)	(155)	(99)	(233)	(291)

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18. Why Are You Planning to Vote for the Republican

Are you planning to vote for the Republican candidate for Congress mainly to try to...?

Among likely voters intending to vote for a Republican for Congress

	Total	Gender			Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female		Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Help Donald Trump and Republicans get their policies	57%	58%	55%	*	61%	48%	55%	*	45%	58%	
Stop Democrats from getting their policies	43%	42%	45%	*	39%	52%	45%	*	55%	42%	
Totals	100%	100%	100%	*	100%	100%	100%	*	100%	100%	
Weighted N	(699)	(388)	(312)	(78)	(139)	(276)	(205)	(23)	(136)	(532)	

	Total	Party ID				Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep		White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Help Donald Trump and Republicans get their policies	57%	*	32%	63%	54%	*	*		56%	52%
Stop Democrats from getting their policies	43%	*	68%	37%	46%	*	*		44%	48%
Totals	100%	*	100%	100%	100%	*	*		100%	100%
Weighted N	(699)	(6)	(144)	(546)	(579)	(19)	(67)		(367)	(212)

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19. Opinion of the Democratic Party

Is your opinion of the Democratic Party:

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Strongly favorable	14%	10%	18%	16%	15%	12%	14%	28%	12%	4%
Somewhat favorable	30%	29%	31%	35%	29%	28%	31%	50%	40%	6%
Somewhat unfavorable	20%	21%	19%	29%	27%	17%	13%	18%	27%	15%
Strongly unfavorable	36%	40%	32%	20%	29%	43%	42%	4%	21%	75%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,809)	(860)	(949)	(264)	(425)	(631)	(489)	(573)	(524)	(665)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Strongly favorable	14%	38%	3%	2%	10%	33%	24%	9%	10%
Somewhat favorable	30%	51%	35%	7%	26%	48%	33%	20%	33%
Somewhat unfavorable	20%	10%	28%	21%	21%	13%	19%	20%	22%
Strongly unfavorable	36%	1%	34%	69%	43%	6%	24%	51%	35%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,809)	(601)	(503)	(677)	(1,270)	(219)	(223)	(690)	(581)

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20. Opinion of the Republican Party

Is your opinion of the Republican Party:

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Strongly favorable	19%	21%	17%	21%	23%	15%	19%	4%	8%	41%
Somewhat favorable	24%	27%	22%	14%	19%	33%	23%	1%	27%	42%
Somewhat unfavorable	14%	13%	15%	18%	16%	13%	13%	11%	24%	9%
Strongly unfavorable	42%	39%	45%	46%	42%	39%	45%	84%	41%	7%
Totals	99%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	(1,808)	(861)	(947)	(264)	(424)	(631)	(489)	(575)	(523)	(663)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Strongly favorable	19%	0%	2%	49%	21%	7%	22%	26%	15%
Somewhat favorable	24%	2%	26%	42%	28%	9%	20%	30%	25%
Somewhat unfavorable	14%	15%	23%	6%	13%	18%	16%	12%	15%
Strongly unfavorable	42%	82%	49%	2%	38%	66%	42%	32%	45%
Totals	99%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,808)	(602)	(502)	(676)	(1,270)	(218)	(223)	(689)	(581)

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21A. Vote for Candidate Who Supports or Opposes Trump Approach — Tariffs

Would you prefer to vote for a candidate for Congress who supports or opposes Donald Trump's approach to each of the following, or doesn't it matter?

Among likely voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Supports Trump	30%	35%	25%	30%	28%	31%	29%	3%	20%	64%
Opposes Trump	56%	51%	61%	60%	58%	52%	58%	93%	64%	16%
Doesn't matter	14%	14%	13%	10%	13%	17%	12%	4%	16%	20%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,747)	(833)	(914)	(251)	(384)	(616)	(496)	(566)	(511)	(625)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Supports Trump	30%	2%	20%	68%	34%	10%	26%	42%	24%
Opposes Trump	56%	92%	65%	11%	50%	84%	62%	42%	60%
Doesn't matter	14%	5%	15%	21%	16%	6%	12%	16%	15%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	(1,747)	(613)	(513)	(585)	(1,249)	(204)	(189)	(689)	(560)

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21B. Vote for Candidate Who Supports or Opposes Trump Approach — ICE operations

Would you prefer to vote for a candidate for Congress who supports or opposes Donald Trump's approach to each of the following, or doesn't it matter?

Among likely voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Supports Trump	40%	45%	34%	31%	36%	43%	42%	4%	29%	81%
Opposes Trump	52%	46%	57%	59%	55%	46%	53%	92%	58%	10%
Doesn't matter	8%	8%	9%	10%	9%	10%	5%	3%	13%	9%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,749)	(835)	(914)	(251)	(385)	(616)	(496)	(566)	(513)	(625)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Supports Trump	40%	3%	35%	83%	46%	14%	29%	54%	36%
Opposes Trump	52%	91%	55%	7%	46%	76%	60%	37%	57%
Doesn't matter	8%	6%	10%	10%	8%	10%	11%	9%	7%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,749)	(614)	(513)	(585)	(1,249)	(204)	(189)	(689)	(560)

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21C. Vote for Candidate Who Supports or Opposes Trump Approach — The U.S.-Iran conflict

Would you prefer to vote for a candidate for Congress who supports or opposes Donald Trump's approach to each of the following, or doesn't it matter?

Among likely voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Supports Trump	32%	37%	27%	27%	29%	34%	35%	3%	21%	68%
Opposes Trump	56%	51%	60%	62%	58%	52%	55%	93%	62%	16%
Doesn't matter	12%	12%	12%	11%	13%	14%	9%	3%	16%	16%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	99%	100%
Weighted N	(1,747)	(833)	(914)	(251)	(384)	(616)	(496)	(566)	(511)	(625)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Supports Trump	32%	1%	20%	75%	38%	7%	27%	45%	28%
Opposes Trump	56%	93%	61%	12%	50%	83%	61%	42%	60%
Doesn't matter	12%	6%	18%	13%	12%	10%	12%	13%	12%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,747)	(613)	(513)	(585)	(1,249)	(204)	(189)	(689)	(560)

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22. Impact of Trump Endorsement

If a candidate for Congress in your state or district is endorsed by Donald Trump, would that make you...

Among likely voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
More likely to vote for that candidate	21%	26%	18%	23%	22%	22%	20%	3%	14%	46%
Less likely to vote for that candidate	48%	44%	51%	56%	50%	44%	46%	89%	51%	8%
Not impact your vote either way	31%	30%	31%	21%	28%	34%	34%	8%	35%	46%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,744)	(834)	(910)	(251)	(384)	(615)	(495)	(564)	(513)	(622)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
More likely to vote for that candidate	21%	1%	10%	54%	24%	9%	20%	28%	19%
Less likely to vote for that candidate	48%	88%	49%	4%	42%	73%	52%	34%	53%
Not impact your vote either way	31%	11%	41%	42%	34%	18%	28%	38%	28%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,744)	(614)	(513)	(580)	(1,248)	(202)	(187)	(688)	(560)

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23. Impact of Democratic Socialists Endorsement

If a candidate for Congress in your state or district is endorsed by people who identify themselves as democratic socialists, would that make you...

Among likely voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
More likely to vote for that candidate	26%	23%	29%	36%	36%	22%	18%	55%	19%	5%
Less likely to vote for that candidate	42%	50%	35%	31%	33%	49%	47%	7%	35%	82%
Not impact your vote either way	32%	27%	35%	33%	31%	29%	35%	38%	45%	13%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	(1,749)	(835)	(914)	(251)	(385)	(616)	(497)	(566)	(513)	(625)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
More likely to vote for that candidate	26%	51%	20%	4%	22%	46%	32%	18%	26%
Less likely to vote for that candidate	42%	8%	42%	81%	49%	11%	33%	56%	42%
Not impact your vote either way	32%	41%	38%	15%	29%	43%	35%	26%	32%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,749)	(614)	(513)	(585)	(1,250)	(204)	(189)	(690)	(560)

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24. Prefer Candidate Supports or Opposes Local Data Centers

Would you prefer to vote for a candidate for Congress who...?

Among likely voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Supports building data centers in your local area	15%	19%	11%	22%	19%	13%	10%	7%	13%	24%
Opposes building data centers in your local area	54%	48%	60%	51%	57%	54%	53%	77%	50%	36%
Would not matter either way	31%	33%	29%	27%	24%	33%	37%	16%	36%	40%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	(1,747)	(835)	(912)	(249)	(385)	(616)	(497)	(564)	(513)	(626)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Supports building data centers in your local area	15%	8%	8%	28%	14%	13%	21%	12%	17%
Opposes building data centers in your local area	54%	71%	62%	29%	55%	54%	51%	55%	54%
Would not matter either way	31%	21%	30%	43%	31%	33%	28%	33%	29%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,747)	(613)	(513)	(585)	(1,248)	(204)	(189)	(690)	(559)

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25. Prefer Candidate Supports or Opposes Tax Increases on Wealthy Americans

Would you prefer to vote for a candidate for Congress who...?

Among likely voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Supports tax increases on wealthy Americans	58%	52%	63%	69%	59%	55%	55%	89%	63%	26%
Opposes tax increases on wealthy Americans	20%	23%	16%	12%	19%	21%	22%	4%	14%	39%
Would not matter either way	22%	24%	21%	18%	22%	23%	23%	7%	23%	35%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,749)	(835)	(915)	(250)	(385)	(616)	(498)	(566)	(513)	(626)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Supports tax increases on wealthy Americans	58%	83%	61%	28%	56%	68%	57%	52%	62%
Opposes tax increases on wealthy Americans	20%	7%	18%	35%	21%	14%	17%	22%	18%
Would not matter either way	22%	10%	21%	37%	23%	18%	26%	25%	20%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	(1,749)	(615)	(512)	(585)	(1,250)	(204)	(189)	(690)	(560)

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26. Financial Impact if Democrats Win Control of Congress

If the Democrats win control of Congress in 2026, do you think their policies would make you...?

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Financially better off	36%	32%	40%	45%	38%	32%	34%	67%	39%	8%
Financially worse off	36%	40%	33%	18%	27%	46%	43%	3%	26%	74%
Not change it either way	27%	28%	27%	37%	35%	22%	23%	30%	35%	18%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,808)	(860)	(949)	(264)	(425)	(631)	(488)	(575)	(523)	(663)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Financially better off	36%	72%	32%	7%	31%	59%	45%	25%	38%
Financially worse off	36%	3%	33%	70%	44%	9%	21%	50%	37%
Not change it either way	27%	25%	35%	23%	25%	32%	34%	25%	25%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,808)	(602)	(503)	(675)	(1,268)	(219)	(223)	(689)	(579)

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27. Financial Impact if Republicans Win Control of Congress

If the Republicans win control of Congress in 2026, do you think their policies would make you...?

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Financially better off	28%	34%	24%	27%	27%	31%	26%	5%	19%	57%
Financially worse off	46%	40%	50%	48%	46%	43%	48%	85%	49%	8%
Not change it either way	26%	26%	26%	25%	27%	26%	26%	10%	32%	35%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,811)	(861)	(950)	(264)	(427)	(631)	(489)	(575)	(524)	(664)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Financially better off	28%	4%	17%	60%	32%	9%	27%	34%	31%
Financially worse off	46%	86%	52%	5%	40%	71%	50%	33%	48%
Not change it either way	26%	10%	31%	35%	28%	20%	23%	33%	21%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,811)	(604)	(504)	(676)	(1,270)	(219)	(224)	(689)	(581)

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28. Impact on Your Culture if Democrats Win Control of Congress

If the Democrats win control of Congress, do you think their policies would help...?

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Protect your culture and way of life	37%	33%	42%	41%	41%	34%	37%	73%	37%	7%
Threaten your culture and way of life	37%	43%	32%	25%	28%	45%	41%	2%	26%	77%
Not impact it either way	26%	24%	26%	34%	31%	21%	22%	24%	37%	16%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,810)	(862)	(948)	(264)	(426)	(631)	(488)	(574)	(524)	(664)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Protect your culture and way of life	37%	78%	31%	8%	32%	64%	43%	24%	41%
Threaten your culture and way of life	37%	1%	31%	73%	44%	7%	26%	52%	35%
Not impact it either way	26%	21%	38%	19%	24%	29%	30%	24%	24%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,810)	(603)	(503)	(676)	(1,270)	(218)	(223)	(689)	(581)

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29. Impact on Your Culture if Republicans Win Control of Congress

If the Republicans win control of Congress, do you think their policies would help...?

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Protect your culture and way of life	37%	42%	31%	28%	34%	40%	38%	5%	25%	74%
Threaten your culture and way of life	43%	39%	47%	49%	43%	40%	45%	86%	43%	7%
Not impact it either way	20%	19%	21%	23%	22%	20%	17%	9%	32%	19%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,810)	(862)	(947)	(264)	(425)	(631)	(490)	(574)	(524)	(663)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Protect your culture and way of life	37%	4%	24%	76%	41%	15%	31%	46%	36%
Threaten your culture and way of life	43%	84%	48%	4%	38%	70%	46%	32%	44%
Not impact it either way	20%	12%	28%	20%	21%	15%	22%	22%	20%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,810)	(603)	(504)	(675)	(1,269)	(219)	(224)	(688)	(581)

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30. If Vote in 2026, Confident Vote Recorded and Counted Correctly

If you choose to vote in the 2026 congressional midterm elections this year, how confident do you feel that your own vote will be recorded and counted correctly?

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very confident	43%	48%	39%	41%	40%	41%	50%	49%	43%	40%
Somewhat confident	41%	39%	43%	47%	39%	43%	38%	38%	40%	45%
Not very confident	12%	10%	14%	9%	16%	13%	9%	11%	12%	12%
Not at all confident	3%	2%	4%	2%	4%	3%	3%	1%	5%	3%
Totals	99%	99%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,809)	(861)	(949)	(263)	(427)	(630)	(490)	(574)	(524)	(663)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Very confident	43%	49%	39%	44%	44%	41%	47%	38%	50%
Somewhat confident	41%	37%	42%	43%	41%	45%	37%	43%	39%
Not very confident	12%	11%	14%	11%	12%	11%	13%	15%	8%
Not at all confident	3%	3%	5%	2%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	(1,809)	(603)	(504)	(675)	(1,270)	(219)	(224)	(689)	(581)

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31. Family Finances and Prices

Thinking about your family finances, have higher prices for goods and services been...

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A financial hardship	33%	27%	38%	23%	34%	38%	32%	41%	36%	23%
Difficult but not a financial hardship	39%	41%	38%	47%	40%	36%	39%	43%	38%	38%
An inconvenience, but not difficult	23%	26%	21%	27%	22%	22%	24%	14%	20%	34%
Finances have not been affected	4%	6%	3%	3%	4%	4%	5%	2%	6%	5%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,812)	(862)	(950)	(264)	(427)	(631)	(490)	(575)	(524)	(665)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
A financial hardship	33%	42%	38%	21%	31%	39%	37%	36%	25%
Difficult but not a financial hardship	39%	40%	38%	40%	41%	35%	34%	39%	43%
An inconvenience, but not difficult	23%	15%	19%	33%	24%	19%	24%	22%	26%
Finances have not been affected	4%	2%	5%	6%	4%	7%	4%	2%	6%
Totals	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%
Weighted N	(1,812)	(604)	(504)	(677)	(1,271)	(219)	(224)	(690)	(581)

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32. Personal Financial Situation

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

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very good	9%	12%	6%	6%	9%	9%	12%	6%	8%	14%
Fairly good	44%	46%	42%	50%	44%	39%	48%	40%	41%	51%
Fairly bad	27%	24%	30%	28%	25%	29%	25%	31%	31%	19%
Very bad	15%	13%	17%	10%	19%	18%	11%	19%	15%	11%
Not sure	5%	5%	5%	6%	3%	5%	4%	3%	5%	5%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,812)	(862)	(950)	(264)	(427)	(631)	(490)	(575)	(524)	(665)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Very good	9%	6%	6%	15%	10%	8%	10%	6%	14%
Fairly good	44%	41%	38%	52%	45%	42%	41%	43%	49%
Fairly bad	27%	28%	35%	19%	26%	27%	28%	27%	25%
Very bad	15%	21%	14%	10%	14%	16%	17%	20%	8%
Not sure	5%	3%	7%	4%	4%	7%	4%	4%	4%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,812)	(604)	(504)	(677)	(1,271)	(219)	(224)	(690)	(581)

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33. Impact of Financial Situation on Vote Choice

Does your personal financial situation make you...?

Among likely voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
More likely to vote Democratic	40%	35%	44%	51%	40%	35%	40%	75%	41%	6%
More likely to vote Republican	31%	37%	26%	22%	29%	36%	30%	3%	19%	67%
No impact on vote either way	29%	28%	30%	26%	31%	29%	30%	22%	40%	27%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,750)	(835)	(915)	(251)	(385)	(616)	(498)	(566)	(513)	(626)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
More likely to vote Democratic	40%	81%	33%	2%	34%	70%	44%	30%	38%
More likely to vote Republican	31%	1%	22%	72%	35%	9%	29%	41%	29%
No impact on vote either way	29%	18%	45%	26%	31%	21%	27%	29%	33%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,750)	(615)	(513)	(586)	(1,250)	(204)	(189)	(690)	(560)

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34. Impact of AI on Number of Jobs Available in the U.S.

Do you think that AI (Artificial Intelligence) will increase, decrease, or not have any impact on the number of jobs available in the U.S.?

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Increase	19%	20%	18%	24%	18%	18%	18%	12%	18%	25%
Decrease	64%	61%	67%	58%	67%	64%	65%	79%	63%	53%
Have no effect	17%	19%	15%	18%	15%	18%	17%	9%	19%	22%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,809)	(859)	(950)	(264)	(425)	(630)	(490)	(572)	(524)	(665)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Increase	19%	14%	14%	28%	17%	28%	25%	16%	18%
Decrease	64%	73%	72%	50%	65%	60%	58%	65%	66%
Have no effect	17%	13%	14%	22%	18%	12%	17%	19%	16%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,809)	(601)	(504)	(677)	(1,268)	(219)	(224)	(690)	(578)

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35. One Big Beautiful Bill Act Helped or Hurt Your Family

So far, do you think the "One Big Beautiful Bill Act" passed by Congress last year has...

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Helped you and your family	19%	24%	14%	17%	13%	21%	23%	4%	12%	39%
Hurt you and your family	40%	35%	45%	36%	39%	39%	46%	74%	40%	10%
Did not have an impact	21%	23%	19%	24%	25%	20%	17%	12%	24%	28%
Not sure	19%	17%	21%	23%	23%	19%	14%	10%	24%	23%
Totals	99%	99%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,809)	(862)	(948)	(264)	(427)	(631)	(487)	(575)	(522)	(665)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Helped you and your family	19%	3%	12%	39%	22%	8%	16%	25%	18%
Hurt you and your family	40%	70%	50%	6%	37%	57%	40%	33%	42%
Did not have an impact	21%	14%	19%	29%	22%	16%	23%	23%	21%
Not sure	19%	12%	19%	26%	19%	18%	21%	19%	19%
Totals	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,809)	(604)	(504)	(674)	(1,268)	(219)	(224)	(688)	(581)

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36. How is the Conflict with Iran Going Right Now

What is your impression of how the military conflict with Iran is going for the United States right now?

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very well	9%	12%	6%	12%	6%	9%	9%	2%	3%	20%
Somewhat well	26%	29%	22%	19%	26%	26%	28%	6%	23%	46%
Somewhat badly	25%	22%	29%	29%	31%	26%	18%	20%	34%	22%
Very badly	40%	37%	43%	39%	37%	38%	44%	72%	40%	12%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,809)	(862)	(947)	(264)	(425)	(631)	(488)	(573)	(524)	(664)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Very well	9%	1%	3%	20%	10%	3%	8%	12%	7%
Somewhat well	26%	4%	20%	49%	28%	16%	25%	31%	24%
Somewhat badly	25%	26%	29%	23%	25%	31%	24%	26%	24%
Very badly	40%	69%	48%	8%	37%	50%	43%	31%	44%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	(1,809)	(601)	(504)	(676)	(1,269)	(218)	(224)	(689)	(580)

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37. U.S. Military Conflict with Iran Making Oil and Gas Prices Higher or Lower

Do you think the U.S. military conflict with Iran is making U.S. oil and gas prices...

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A lot higher	63%	58%	67%	58%	58%	65%	66%	85%	65%	41%
A little higher	30%	33%	27%	32%	31%	30%	29%	13%	28%	48%
No impact	6%	7%	5%	8%	9%	4%	4%	2%	6%	9%
A little lower	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%
A lot lower	0%	1%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,810)	(861)	(949)	(264)	(427)	(630)	(490)	(575)	(524)	(663)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
A lot higher	63%	85%	69%	38%	60%	70%	65%	57%	65%
A little higher	30%	13%	25%	49%	32%	23%	29%	34%	30%
No impact	6%	2%	5%	10%	6%	6%	5%	8%	4%
A little lower	1%	0%	0%	2%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%
A lot lower	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,810)	(604)	(504)	(675)	(1,269)	(219)	(224)	(688)	(581)

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38. Should Americans Be Willing to Pay More for Gas During Conflict with Iran

Do you think Americans should be willing, or not willing, to pay more for gas during the U.S. military conflict with Iran?

Among registered voters

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Willing	29%	34%	24%	28%	24%	30%	31%	7%	20%	55%
Not willing	71%	66%	76%	72%	76%	70%	69%	93%	80%	45%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,806)	(859)	(947)	(264)	(427)	(631)	(485)	(575)	(521)	(662)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Willing	29%	7%	19%	56%	32%	12%	25%	36%	28%
Not willing	71%	93%	81%	44%	68%	88%	75%	64%	72%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,806)	(603)	(501)	(675)	(1,266)	(219)	(224)	(686)	(581)

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41. Harris 2024 Voter Motivation to Vote vs. Democratic Candidate in 2026

Compared to when you voted for Kamala Harris in 2024, today, are you more motivated, less motivated, or equally motivated to vote for the 2026 Democratic candidate in your congressional district?

Among registered voters who voted for Harris in 2024

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A lot more motivated	41%	43%	39%	*	32%	41%	60%	41%	39%	*
A little more motivated	12%	15%	9%	*	12%	12%	7%	11%	13%	*
Equally motivated	41%	35%	46%	*	48%	38%	31%	43%	41%	*
A little less motivated	3%	4%	3%	*	4%	4%	1%	3%	3%	*
A lot less motivated	3%	3%	3%	*	4%	4%	0%	2%	4%	*
Totals	100%	100%	100%	*	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	*
Weighted N	(829)	(350)	(480)	(131)	(197)	(264)	(238)	(518)	(254)	(37)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
A lot more motivated	41%	45%	31%	*	39%	42%	45%	44%	35%
A little more motivated	12%	10%	15%	*	12%	15%	4%	10%	14%
Equally motivated	41%	39%	49%	*	44%	33%	43%	40%	47%
A little less motivated	3%	4%	2%	*	3%	4%	4%	3%	2%
A lot less motivated	3%	2%	3%	*	2%	6%	4%	2%	2%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	*	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	(829)	(556)	(242)	(22)	(510)	(175)	(101)	(209)	(301)

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42. Trump 2024 Voter Motivation to Vote vs. Republican Candidate in 2026

Compared to when you voted for Donald Trump in 2024, today, are you more motivated, less motivated, or equally motivated to vote for the 2026 Republican candidate in your congressional district?

Among registered voters who voted for Trump in 2024

	Total	Gender			Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female		Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A lot more motivated	31%	36%	26%	*	24%	29%	40%	*	19%	37%	
A little more motivated	9%	10%	7%	*	10%	8%	9%	*	5%	9%	
Equally motivated	45%	41%	50%	*	44%	50%	41%	*	54%	42%	
A little less motivated	8%	7%	9%	*	11%	9%	5%	*	11%	7%	
A lot less motivated	7%	6%	8%	*	11%	4%	5%	*	11%	4%	
Totals	100%	100%	100%	*	100%	100%	100%	*	100%	99%	
Weighted N	(858)	(453)	(405)	(104)	(190)	(327)	(237)	(31)	(209)	(599)	

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
A lot more motivated	31%	*	13%	38%	32%	*	27%	33%	31%
A little more motivated	9%	*	5%	10%	8%	*	13%	9%	6%
Equally motivated	45%	*	52%	43%	47%	*	35%	44%	52%
A little less motivated	8%	*	15%	5%	7%	*	12%	7%	6%
A lot less motivated	7%	*	15%	4%	6%	*	13%	7%	5%
Totals	100%	*	100%	100%	100%	*	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(858)	(14)	(208)	(626)	(694)	(27)	(97)	(435)	(260)

HOW THE POLL WAS CONDUCTED AND THE MARGIN OF ERROR WAS CALCULATED

The CBS News/YouGov survey of 2,460 adults in the U.S. was conducted between September 8–11, 2026. Respondents were selected to be representative of adults nationwide.

This sample was weighted according to gender, age, race, education, and 2024 presidential vote. Weighting targets come from the U.S. Census American Community Survey and the U.S. Census Current Population Survey. “Likely voters” – respondents’ relative probabilities of voting – were determined using a regression model that incorporates current, self-reported intentions to vote, along with individual-level and aggregate data about voters, such as demographics and vote history. The weights range from 0.1 to 5.0, with a mean of 1 and a standard deviation of 0.59.

The *margin of error* (a 95% confidence interval) for a sample percentage p based upon the entire sample is approximately ± 2.3 points. It is calculated using the formula

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

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 sample estimate should differ from its expected value – the average of all estimates obtained by repeating the same sample selection and weighting procedures – by less than the 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.

The estimated numbers of Republican and Democratic seats come from a statistical model developed by CBS News and YouGov, which includes data from this poll, past vote and other district-level characteristics, demographics and historical patterns. These estimates are subject to statistical error. We simulate many elections, with the error calibrated to include historical polling accuracy, to obtain a range of seat estimates. We report 95% confidence intervals from the simulations. These estimates describe which party is ahead today and may change as additional data are collected closer to the election.