

The Economist/YouGov Poll

April 5 - 8, 2025 - 1741 U.S. Adult citizens



Sample 1741 U.S. Adult citizens
 Conducted April 5 - 8, 2025
 Margin of Error ±3.1%

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

Generally headed in the right direction	35%
Off on the wrong track	54%
Not sure	12%

2. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of the following people?

	Very favorable	Some-what favorable	Favorable	Some-what unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Unfavorable	Don't know
Donald Trump	28%	14%	43%	9%	45%	54%	4%
JD Vance	24%	15%	38%	10%	41%	51%	10%

3. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of...?

	Very favorable	Some-what favorable	Favorable	Some-what unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Unfavorable	Don't know
Elon Musk	20%	19%	40%	9%	45%	54%	6%
Cory Booker	18%	18%	36%	9%	20%	29%	35%
Mitch McConnell	3%	13%	17%	22%	38%	60%	23%
Howard Lutnick	5%	8%	12%	7%	18%	25%	63%
Scott Bessent	5%	10%	15%	7%	14%	21%	64%
The World Trade Organization (WTO)	14%	25%	40%	14%	18%	32%	29%

4. How important are the following issues to you?

	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Important	Not very Important	Unimportant	Not Important
Jobs and the economy	78%	19%	98%	2%	0%	2%
Immigration	54%	31%	85%	12%	3%	15%
Climate change and the environment	46%	27%	73%	16%	11%	27%
Foreign policy	51%	38%	89%	9%	2%	11%
National Security	70%	24%	94%	5%	1%	6%
Education	67%	23%	90%	8%	2%	10%
Health care	78%	17%	95%	4%	1%	5%

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Taxes and government spending	66%	28%	95%	5%	1%	5%
Abortion	45%	28%	73%	16%	11%	27%
Civil rights	63%	25%	88%	9%	3%	12%
Civil liberties	57%	32%	89%	8%	3%	11%
Guns	52%	28%	80%	14%	6%	20%
Crime	62%	29%	91%	8%	1%	9%
Criminal justice reform	47%	37%	84%	13%	4%	16%
Inflation/prices	79%	18%	97%	2%	1%	3%

5. Which of these is the most important issue for you?

Inflation/prices	25%
Jobs and the economy	13%
Health care	10%
Taxes and government spending	7%
Climate change and the environment	7%
Civil rights	7%
Immigration	6%
National Security	5%
Civil liberties	5%
Education	4%
Guns	3%
Abortion	3%
Crime	3%
Foreign policy	1%
Criminal justice reform	1%

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

Strongly approve	26%
Somewhat approve	17%
Approve	43%
Somewhat disapprove	9%
Strongly disapprove	42%
Disapprove	51%
Not sure	6%

7. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling these specific issues?

	Strongly approve	Some-what approve	Approve	Some-what disapprove	Strongly disapprove	Disapprove	No opinion
Jobs and the economy	24%	17%	41%	10%	41%	51%	8%
Immigration	36%	14%	50%	9%	35%	44%	6%
Foreign policy	26%	14%	41%	10%	40%	49%	10%
Education	24%	17%	41%	9%	41%	49%	10%
Health care	20%	15%	35%	11%	39%	50%	15%
Civil rights	21%	17%	38%	10%	38%	48%	14%
Civil liberties	20%	18%	38%	9%	38%	47%	15%
Crime	28%	17%	45%	10%	31%	42%	13%
Inflation/prices	20%	16%	36%	10%	45%	55%	9%

8. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way that the United States Congress is handling its job?

Strongly approve	5%
Somewhat approve	17%
Approve	22%
Neither approve nor disapprove	16%
Somewhat disapprove	18%
Strongly disapprove	34%
Disapprove	53%
Not sure	9%

9. Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Supreme Court of the United States is handling its job?

Strongly approve	9%
Somewhat approve	25%
Approve	34%
Somewhat disapprove	23%
Strongly disapprove	26%
Disapprove	49%
Not sure	17%

10. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of the following groups in Congress?

	Very favorable	Some-what favorable	Favorable	Some-what unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Unfavorable	Don't know
Democrats in Congress	11%	24%	35%	19%	35%	54%	11%
Republicans in Congress	14%	22%	35%	15%	40%	55%	10%

11. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Mike Johnson is handling his job as the Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives?

Strongly approve	12%
Somewhat approve	22%
Approve	34%
Somewhat disapprove	10%
Strongly disapprove	27%
Disapprove	38%
Not sure	28%

12. Do you approve or disapprove of the way John Thune is handling his job as Majority Leader of the U.S. Senate?

Strongly approve	7%
Somewhat approve	18%
Approve	26%
Somewhat disapprove	13%
Strongly disapprove	21%
Disapprove	34%
Not sure	40%

13. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Chuck Schumer is handling his job as Minority Leader of the U.S. Senate?

Strongly approve	7%
Somewhat approve	19%
Approve	26%
Somewhat disapprove	17%
Strongly disapprove	31%
Disapprove	49%
Not sure	26%

14. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Hakeem Jeffries is handling his job as Minority Leader of the U.S. House of Representatives?

Strongly approve	12%
Somewhat approve	18%
Approve	30%
Somewhat disapprove	12%
Strongly disapprove	23%
Disapprove	34%
Not sure	36%

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

The Democratic Party candidate	39%
The Republican Party candidate	36%
Other	2%
Not sure	12%
I would not vote	12%

16. Would you say Donald Trump is...

Very liberal	4%
Liberal	3%
Total Liberal	7%
Moderate	14%
Conservative	28%
Very conservative	33%
Total Conservative	60%
Not sure	20%

17. Do you think Donald Trump is honest and trustworthy, or not?

Honest and trustworthy	36%
Not honest and trustworthy	52%
Not sure	12%

18. How many of the Trump administration's actions so far do you personally approve of?

All of them	12%
Most of them	22%
Half of them	7%
Few of them	16%
None of them	35%
Not sure	8%

19. How would you describe the current state of the American economy?

Excellent	4%
Good	20%
Fair	34%
Poor	40%
Don't know	3%

20. Overall, do you think the economy is getting better or worse?

Getting better	21%
About the same	19%
Getting worse	53%
Not sure	7%

21. Would you say that you and your family are...	
Better off financially than you were a year ago	13%
About the same financially as you were a year ago	45%
Worse off financially than you were a year ago	38%
Not sure	4%
22. Looking ahead, do you think that A YEAR FROM NOW you and your household will be...	
Better off financially	31%
Just about the same as now	25%
Worse off financially	34%
Not sure	11%
23. Which do you think is a more important problem facing the U.S. today?	
Unemployment	3%
Inflation	48%
Both equal	44%
Not sure	5%
24. Have you heard mostly positive or mostly negative news stories about the economy, or have you not heard much news at all about the economy?	
Mostly positive	6%
Equally positive and negative	22%
Mostly negative	60%
Not heard much news about the economy at all	12%
25. Do you think the economy is growing or shrinking?	
Growing	18%
Staying about the same	23%
Shrinking	42%
Not sure	16%
26. Do you believe the United States is currently in an economic recession?	
Yes	38%
No	36%
Not sure	26%
27. How likely do you think it is that there will be an economic recession during the next twelve months?	
Very likely	12%
Somewhat likely	18%
Not very likely	14%
Not at all likely	5%
Not sure	14%
Not asked - Already in a recession	38%

28. For you personally, which of the following do you consider the best measure of how the national economy is doing?

The stock market index	11%
The unemployment rate and job reports	14%
The prices of goods and services you buy	50%
Your personal finances	12%
Don't know	13%

29. How important is the issue of what happens in the stock market to you?

Very important	24%
Somewhat important	39%
Not very important	24%
Unimportant	12%

30. How serious a problem is unemployment in the U.S.?

Very serious	25%
Somewhat serious	38%
A minor problem	25%
Not a problem	5%
Not sure	7%

31. Since last month, has the unemployment rate increased, decreased, or stayed the same?

Increased	33%
Stayed the same	23%
Decreased	12%
Don't know	32%

32. Are the number of jobs in the United States...

Increasing	30%
Staying the same	33%
Decreasing	37%

33. Six months from now do you think there will be...

Higher gas prices	47%
The same gas prices	14%
Lower gas prices	24%
Not sure	15%

34. Six months from now do you think there will be...

A higher rate of inflation	51%
The same rate of inflation	13%
A lower rate of inflation	22%
Not sure	14%

35. How much have you felt the impact of high inflation in your own life?

A lot	53%
A little	42%
Not at all	4%

36. Since January 2025, has the inflation rate ... ?

Gone up	47%
Stayed the same	26%
Gone down	12%
Not sure	15%

37. Since January 2025, has the stock market ... ?

Gone up	7%
Stayed the same	8%
Gone down	66%
Not sure	19%

38. Who do you think is more responsible for the current state of the U.S. economy?

Joe Biden	32%
Donald Trump	50%
Neither	6%
Not sure	13%

39. Will you have enough money to pay this month's bills?

Definitely	41%
Probably	34%
Probably not	13%
Definitely not	7%
Not sure	5%

40. How worried are you about losing your job?

Asked of those currently employed

Very worried	11%
Somewhat worried	28%
Not very worried	61%

41. If you lost your job, how hard would it be for you to find a new job that paid as much as you are making now?

Asked of those currently employed

Very hard – I would probably have to take a pay cut.	26%
Somewhat hard – It might take a while before I found a job that paid as much.	38%
Not very hard	25%
Not sure	10%

42. How happy would you say you are with your current job?

Asked of those currently employed

Very happy	29%
Happy	40%
Neither happy nor unhappy	22%
Unhappy	6%
Very unhappy	3%

43. How much of an effect do you think Donald Trump's health and age are having on his ability to fulfill his duties as president?

Severely limit his ability to do the job	28%
Have little effect on his ability to do the job	23%
Have no effect at all	35%
Not sure	13%

44. Do you think that Donald Trump will attempt to serve a third term as president?

Yes	52%
No	25%
Not sure	22%

45. Do you think that Donald Trump should attempt to serve a third term as president?

Yes	17%
No	70%
Not sure	13%

46. As far as you know, does the Constitution allow Donald Trump to serve a third term as president?

Yes	8%
No	75%
Not sure	17%

47. Do you think that the Trump administration's efforts to do the following have...?

	Gone too far	Been about right	Not gone far enough	Not sure
Impose tariffs on foreign imports	56%	27%	8%	10%
Acquire or annex new U.S. territories	51%	21%	6%	22%
Reduce funding for scientific research	48%	24%	9%	19%
Reduce the budgets and staff of federal agencies	46%	25%	17%	13%
Remove diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) programs	45%	23%	17%	14%
Arrest and deport immigrants	45%	27%	20%	8%
Reduce U.S. involvement in international organizations	41%	30%	13%	16%

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Reduce U.S. aid to foreign countries 39% 27% 20% 13%

48. How serious a problem is the following in the United States?

	A very serious problem	A somewhat serious problem	Serious	A minor problem	Not a problem	Minor / Not a problem	Not sure
Inflation	62%	29%	90%	6%	1%	7%	3%
Corruption	62%	24%	85%	9%	2%	11%	4%
Crime	43%	35%	79%	17%	2%	19%	3%
Budget deficit	44%	32%	76%	11%	3%	14%	10%
Illegal immigration	48%	24%	72%	19%	5%	24%	4%
Income inequality	44%	24%	68%	16%	10%	25%	7%
Unemployment	29%	34%	63%	27%	5%	33%	4%
Racism	40%	23%	63%	21%	11%	32%	5%
Trade deficit	30%	31%	62%	18%	5%	23%	15%
Anti-Semitism	28%	29%	57%	20%	8%	28%	16%

49. Do you approve or disapprove of Donald Trump's handling of foreign trade?

Strongly approve	20%
Somewhat approve	18%
Approve	39%
Somewhat disapprove	10%
Strongly disapprove	40%
Disapprove	50%
Not sure	11%

50. Do you think the amount of U.S. trade with other countries should be...?

Increased	27%
Kept the same	34%
Decreased	15%
Not sure	24%

51. In general, do you think that free trade agreements, like NAFTA and the World Trade Organization, have been a good thing or a bad thing for the United States?

A good thing	42%
A bad thing	22%
Not Sure	36%

52. Do you think that tariffs on foreign goods imported into the U.S. should be...?

Increased	20%
Kept the same	28%
Decreased	34%
Not sure	18%

53. What effect on prices do you think that increasing tariffs on foreign goods imported into the U.S. generally has?

Increases prices	77%
Has no effect on prices	7%
Decreases prices	3%
Not sure	13%

54. As far as you know, do most other countries generally charge the U.S. higher or lower tariffs than we charge them?

Much higher	23%
Somewhat higher	18%
About the same	18%
Somewhat lower	9%
Much lower	3%
Not sure	29%

55. How much have you heard about recent tariffs announced by Donald Trump?

A lot	60%
A little	34%
Nothing at all	6%

56. Do you approve or disapprove of recent tariffs announced by the Donald Trump, including a minimum tariff of 10% on all imports as well as higher rates for most countries?

Strongly approve	19%
Somewhat approve	17%
Approve	36%
Somewhat disapprove	10%
Strongly disapprove	42%
Disapprove	52%
Not sure	12%

57. Which comes closer to your view on recent tariffs?

They may cause short-term economic pain, but they lead to long-term economic growth	37%
They are harmful to the economy and consumers, with no real long-term benefits	48%
Not sure	15%

58. Do you think recent tariffs will increase or decrease the prices you pay for things that you buy?

Increase a lot	47%
Increase slightly	33%
No effect	5%
Decrease slightly	3%
Decrease a lot	1%
Not sure	11%

59. Do you think that recent tariffs imposed by Donald Trump will help or hurt the following?

	Help	Hurt	Neither help nor hurt	Not sure
The U.S. economy	31%	53%	6%	10%
The economies of other countries	9%	55%	18%	18%
U.S. manufacturing	39%	35%	13%	12%
Your financial wellbeing	16%	55%	17%	12%
U.S. global standing	19%	52%	14%	15%

60. Have you or do you plan to make any purchases because you expect prices will change as a result of recent tariffs imposed on goods imported from other countries?

Yes	21%
No	57%
Not sure	22%

61. Have you or do you plan to delay any purchases because you expect prices will change as a result of recent tariffs imposed on goods imported from other countries?

Yes	31%
No	51%
Not sure	18%

62. How likely do you think it is that other countries will retaliate with higher tariffs on U.S. goods?

Very likely	56%
Somewhat likely	25%
Not very likely	6%
Not at all likely	1%
Not sure	11%

63. How likely do you think it is that recent tariffs will result in a trade war?

Very likely	40%
Somewhat likely	29%
Not very likely	13%
Not at all likely	2%
Not sure	16%

64. Who do you think would be hurt more by a trade war?	
The U.S.	42%
The rest of the world	30%
Not sure	28%
65. Do you think the United States would win or lose a trade war with the rest of the world?	
Win	33%
Lose	37%
Not sure	30%
66. How many of the material goods that you've purchased in the past few years do you think were made in America?	
All of them	1%
Most of them	9%
Half of them	13%
Some of them	55%
None of them	7%
Not sure	13%
67. Do you think products made in America are usually... ?	
More expensive than foreign products	58%
About the same price as foreign products	19%
Cheaper than foreign products	7%
Not sure	16%
68. Do you generally buy products made in the U.S. over foreign products if the U.S.-made product is more expensive?	
Yes	34%
No	40%
Not sure	25%
69. In general, how would you describe your own political viewpoint?	
Very liberal	12%
Liberal	17%
Total Liberal	29%
Moderate	30%
Conservative	21%
Very conservative	10%
Total Conservative	31%
Not sure	10%

70. Are you registered to vote?

Registered	73%
Not registered	27%

71. 2024 Presidential Vote

Kamala Harris	31%
Donald Trump	32%
Other	1%
Did not vote for President	36%

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

Democrat	31%
Republican	33%
Independent	27%
Other	3%
Not sure	7%

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

Calculated based on a series of questions about party identification

Strong Democrat	20%
Not very strong Democrat	11%
Lean Democrat	9%
Independent	18%
Lean Republican	8%
Not very strong Republican	12%
Strong Republican	21%
Not sure	2%
Don't know	0%

74. Do you identify as a MAGA Republican?

Asked of Republicans

Yes	52%
No	34%
Not sure	15%

75. Are you... ?

Male	48%
Female	52%

76. Respondent age by category

Under 30	21%
30-44	24%
45-64	33%
65+	22%

77. What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

White	67%
Black	13%
Hispanic	13%
Other	7%

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

HS or less	36%
Some college	29%
College grad	22%
Postgrad	12%

79. What is your marital status?

Married	40%
Separated	3%
Divorced	12%
Widowed	5%
Never married	34%
Domestic / civil partnership	5%

80. Are you the parent or guardian of any children under the age of 18?

Yes	20%
No	80%

81. Census Region

Calculated from respondent's state of residence

Northeast	17%
Midwest	20%
South	42%
West	21%

82. Thinking back over the last year, what was your family's annual income?

Under \$50K	43%
\$50-100K	27%
\$100K or more	21%
Prefer not to say	9%

83. Aside from weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services?

More than once a week	6%
Once a week	18%
Once or twice a month	6%
A few times a year	11%
Seldom	20%
Never	37%
Don't know	2%

84. Would you describe yourself as a "born-again" or evangelical Christian, or not?

Yes	30%
No	70%

85. People practice their religion in different ways. Outside of attending religious services, how often do you pray?

Several times a day	27%
Once a day	14%
A few times a week	11%
Once a week	3%
A few times a month	5%
Seldom	16%
Never	21%
Don't know	3%

86. What is your present religion, if any?

Protestant	29%
Roman Catholic	19%
Mormon	1%
Eastern or Greek Orthodox	0%
Jewish	2%
Muslim	1%
Buddhist	1%
Hindu	0%
Atheist	7%
Agnostic	6%
Nothing in particular	23%
Something else	11%

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Sponsorship	<i>The Economist</i>
Fieldwork	YouGov
Interviewing Dates	April 5 - 8, 2025
Target population	U.S. Citizens, age 18 and over
Sampling method	Respondents were selected from YouGov's opt-in panel to be representative of adult U.S. citizens.
Sample composition	1,998 started the survey after screenouts. 147 were deleted due to breakoffs, 13 were removed for interview completion time under 5 minutes, 14 were removed for attention check failures, and 83 were removed for data quality control. The reporting is based on the remaining 1,741 respondents.
Weighting	The sample was weighted according to gender, age, race, education, 2024 election turnout and presidential vote, 2020 election turnout and presidential vote, baseline party identification, and current voter registration status. 2024 presidential vote, at time of weighting was estimated to be 48% Harris and 50% Trump. Demographic weighting targets come from the 2019 American Community Survey. Baseline party identification is the respondent's most recent answer given around November 8, 2024, and is weighted to the estimated distribution at that time (31% Democratic, 33% Republican). The weights range from 0.051 to 6.532, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.877.
Number of respondents	1741 1563 (Registered voters)
Margin of error	± 3.1% (adjusted for weighting) ± 2.9% (Registered voters)
Survey mode	Web-based interviews
Questions not reported	3 questions not reported.