

The Economist/YouGov Poll

July 25 - 28, 2025 - 1777 U.S. Adult citizens



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Margin of Error $\pm 3.4\%$

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

Generally headed in the right direction	35%
Off on the wrong track	55%
Not sure	9%

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

Increased	18%
Kept the same	23%
Decreased	41%
Not sure	19%

3. As far as you know, how many of the tariffs announced by Donald Trump earlier this year have been enacted?

All of them	3%
Most of them	17%
About half of them	15%
A few of them	29%
None of them	4%
Not sure	31%

4. Who benefits the most from increases in tariffs on imports to the United States?

Foreign manufacturers	6%
Foreign consumers	1%
American manufacturers	28%
American consumers	11%
None of the above	32%
Not sure	21%

5. Who is hurt the most from increases in tariffs on imports to the United States?

Foreign manufacturers	22%
Foreign consumers	4%
American manufacturers	3%
American consumers	54%
None of the above	3%
Not sure	15%

6. Do you think tariffs imposed by Donald Trump will increase, decrease, or have no effect on the prices you pay for things that you buy?

Increase a lot	43%
Increase slightly	28%
No effect	7%
Decrease slightly	6%
Decrease a lot	3%
Not sure	14%

7. 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	24%	16%	41%	9%	47%	56%	3%
Mike Johnson	10%	17%	27%	9%	29%	38%	35%
John Thune	5%	11%	16%	12%	15%	27%	57%
Chuck Schumer	5%	18%	23%	16%	31%	47%	29%
Hakeem Jeffries	9%	15%	25%	12%	22%	35%	40%

8. 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
Pam Bondi	11%	14%	26%	10%	31%	40%	34%
Jerome Powell	11%	18%	29%	12%	11%	23%	47%
Marco Rubio	17%	18%	35%	13%	26%	39%	26%
Barack Obama	32%	20%	52%	13%	30%	43%	5%
Josh Shapiro	10%	17%	27%	12%	13%	25%	48%
Zohran Mamdani	13%	13%	25%	7%	24%	31%	44%

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

Inflation/prices	23%
Jobs and the economy	12%
Health care	11%
Immigration	8%
Taxes and government spending	7%
Civil rights	7%
Climate change and the environment	7%
Civil liberties	6%
National Security	6%
Education	4%
Abortion	3%
Crime	2%
Guns	1%
Criminal justice reform	1%
Foreign policy	1%

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

Strongly approve	22%
Somewhat approve	18%
Approve	40%
Somewhat disapprove	11%
Strongly disapprove	45%
Disapprove	55%
Not sure	5%

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

	Strongly approve	Some- what approve	Approve	Some- what disap- prove	Strongly disap- prove	Disap- prove	No opinion
Jobs and the economy	24%	16%	40%	12%	39%	51%	8%
Inflation/prices	17%	16%	34%	13%	46%	59%	7%
Immigration	32%	12%	44%	11%	39%	50%	6%
Foreign trade	22%	14%	37%	12%	39%	51%	12%
Climate change and the environment	18%	11%	29%	9%	40%	49%	21%
Education	22%	15%	37%	10%	41%	52%	12%
Abortion	18%	13%	31%	11%	39%	50%	20%

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

Strongly approve	3%
Somewhat approve	17%
Neither approve nor disapprove	16%
Somewhat disapprove	18%
Strongly disapprove	36%
Not sure	9%

13. 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	33%
Somewhat disapprove	19%
Strongly disapprove	31%
Disapprove	50%
Not sure	17%

14. 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	7%	22%	29%	25%	34%	59%	12%
Republicans in Congress	12%	23%	36%	14%	40%	54%	10%

15. 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	21%
Approve	32%
Somewhat disapprove	9%
Strongly disapprove	30%
Disapprove	39%
Not sure	28%

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

Strongly approve	6%
Somewhat approve	18%
Approve	24%
Somewhat disapprove	12%
Strongly disapprove	20%
Disapprove	32%
Not sure	43%

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

Strongly approve	4%
Somewhat approve	18%
Approve	21%
Somewhat disapprove	17%
Strongly disapprove	31%
Disapprove	49%
Not sure	30%

18. 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	8%
Somewhat approve	18%
Approve	27%
Somewhat disapprove	11%
Strongly disapprove	26%
Disapprove	37%
Not sure	36%

19. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of the political parties?

	Very favorable	Some-what favorable	Favorable	Some-what unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Unfavorable	Don't know
The Democratic Party	9%	24%	33%	23%	36%	59%	8%
The Republican Party	15%	23%	38%	14%	41%	55%	7%

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

Getting better	23%
About the same	21%
Getting worse	51%
Not sure	5%

21. Would you say that you and your family are...

Better off financially than you were a year ago	15%
About the same financially as you were a year ago	44%
Worse off financially than you were a year ago	36%
Not sure	5%

22. Looking ahead, do you think that A YEAR FROM NOW you and your household will be...

Better off financially	29%
Just about the same as now	30%
Worse off financially	30%
Not sure	11%

23. From what you know about it, do you support or oppose President Trump's budget that was recently passed by Congress?

Strongly support	14%
Somewhat support	18%
Support	32%
Somewhat oppose	11%
Strongly oppose	40%
Oppose	51%
No opinion	17%

24. From what you know about it now, do you think the federal budget deficit will increase or decrease under the Trump administration's budget?

Deficit will increase	49%
Deficit will remain about the same	13%
Deficit will decrease	15%
Not sure	22%

25. From what you know about it will the average American be helped or hurt by the Trump administration's budget?

Helped a lot	11%
Helped some	16%
It will not have much impact	7%
Hurt some	16%
Hurt a lot	37%
Not sure	13%

26. From what you know about it, will your taxes increase, decrease, or stay the same as a result of the Trump administration's budget?

Increase a lot	13%
Increase some	19%
Stay about the same	25%
Decrease some	18%
Decrease a lot	5%
Not sure	21%

27. Do you think that the following government agencies should be expanded, reduced, or kept about the same?

	Expanded	Kept the same	Reduced	Eliminated	Not sure
Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)	39%	27%	16%	7%	11%
The National Park Service (NPS)	35%	43%	9%	1%	12%
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)	32%	38%	12%	3%	15%
Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)	41%	31%	10%	7%	11%

28. Do you think that U.S. government restrictions on greenhouse gas emissions should be...?

Expanded	37%
Kept the same	21%
Reduced	15%
Eliminated	9%
Not sure	17%

29. On the subject of climate change do you think:

The world's climate is changing as a result of human activity	56%
The world's climate is changing but NOT because of human activity	25%
The world's climate is NOT changing	7%
Not sure	12%

30. When it comes to addressing climate change, do you think the U.S. government is doing...?

Too much	17%
About the right amount	20%
Not enough	50%
Not sure	14%

31. Should the government release all the documents that it has about the Jeffrey Epstein case?

Yes	82%
No	4%
Not sure	14%

32. Do you think the government is covering up evidence it has about Epstein?

Yes	67%
No	12%
Not sure	21%

33. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling investigations into Jeffrey Epstein?

Strongly approve	7%
Somewhat approve	14%
Approve	21%
Somewhat disapprove	14%
Strongly disapprove	47%
Disapprove	61%
Not sure	18%

34. Do you think President Donald Trump should pardon Ghislaine Maxwell?

Yes	4%
No	64%
Not sure	32%

35. When the relationship between Donald Trump and Jeffrey Epstein was at its closest, do you think they were...?

Close friends	43%
Friends, but not close	15%
Acquaintances	24%
Strangers	2%
Enemies	1%
Not sure	15%

36. Do you think that Donald Trump was involved in crimes allegedly committed by Jeffrey Epstein?

Yes	46%
No	32%
Not sure	23%

37. Do you believe that Russia interfered with the 2016 U.S. presidential election?

Yes	42%
No	34%
Not sure	25%

38. Do you think Russian interference in the 2016 U.S. presidential election affected the outcome of the election?

Asked of those who believe Russia interfered with the 2016 U.S. Presidential election

Affected the outcome	59%
Did not affect the outcome	22%
Not sure	19%

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

Very liberal	12%
Liberal	16%
Total Liberal	28%
Moderate	28%
Conservative	21%
Very conservative	12%
Total Conservative	33%
Not sure	10%

40. Are you registered to vote?

Registered	74%
Not registered	26%

41. 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	35%
Other	2%
Not sure	11%
I would not vote	14%

42. 2024 Presidential Vote

Kamala Harris	31%
Donald Trump	33%
Other	1%
Did not vote for President	35%

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

Democrat	30%
Republican	32%
Independent	26%
Other	5%
Not sure	7%

44. Political Party Identification

Calculated based on a series of questions about party identification

Strong Democrat	18%
Not very strong Democrat	12%
Lean Democrat	10%
Independent	17%
Lean Republican	8%
Not very strong Republican	12%
Strong Republican	19%
Not sure	3%
Don't know	0%

45. Do you identify as a MAGA Republican?

Asked of Republicans

Yes	54%
No	37%
Not sure	8%

46. Are you...?

Male	48%
Female	52%

47. Respondent age by category

Under 30	21%
30-44	24%
45-64	33%
65+	23%

48. What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

White	67%
Black	13%
Hispanic	13%
Other	8%

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

HS or less	36%
Some college	29%
College grad	22%
Postgrad	13%

50. What is your marital status?

Married	39%
Separated	2%
Divorced	12%
Widowed	5%
Never married	36%
Domestic / civil partnership	5%

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

Yes	20%
No	80%

52. In what region of the country do you reside?

Calculated from respondent's state of residence

Northeast	16%
Midwest	21%
South	41%
West	21%

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

Under \$50K	41%
\$50-100K	27%
\$100K or more	22%
Prefer not to say	10%

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

More than once a week	6%
Once a week	16%
Once or twice a month	7%
A few times a year	13%
Seldom	19%
Never	38%
Don't know	2%

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

Yes	28%
No	72%

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

Several times a day	25%
Once a day	12%
A few times a week	12%
Once a week	3%
A few times a month	6%
Seldom	15%
Never	23%
Don't know	3%

57. What is your present religion, if any?

Protestant	30%
Roman Catholic	17%
Mormon	2%
Eastern or Greek Orthodox	1%
Jewish	3%
Muslim	2%
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	July 25 - 28, 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	2,032 started the survey after screenouts. 134 were deleted due to breakoffs, 85 were removed for interview completion time under 5 minutes, 7 were removed for attention check failures, and 29 were removed for data quality control. The reporting is based on the remaining 1,777 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 0.052 to 6.622, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 1.04.
Number of respondents	1777 1610 (Registered voters)
Margin of error	± 3.4% (adjusted for weighting) ± 3% (Registered voters)
Survey mode	Web-based interviews
Questions not reported	3 questions not reported.