

# The Economist/YouGov Poll

## May 12 - 14, 2024 - 1830 U.S. Adult citizens



Sample 1830 U.S. Adult citizens  
 Conducted May 12 - 14, 2024  
 Margin of Error ±2.9%

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

Generally headed in the right direction	24%
Off on the wrong track	65%
Not sure	11%

### 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	26%	16%	<b>42%</b>	8%	48%	<b>56%</b>	2%
Drake	6%	18%	<b>25%</b>	21%	18%	<b>38%</b>	37%
Kendrick Lamar	10%	19%	<b>29%</b>	13%	9%	<b>22%</b>	49%
Macklemore	7%	20%	<b>27%</b>	10%	9%	<b>19%</b>	54%
Stormy Daniels	5%	21%	<b>26%</b>	14%	30%	<b>45%</b>	29%
Melania Trump	23%	19%	<b>42%</b>	17%	26%	<b>43%</b>	15%
Michael Cohen	4%	15%	<b>19%</b>	17%	26%	<b>43%</b>	38%
Marjorie Taylor Greene	6%	14%	<b>20%</b>	10%	39%	<b>48%</b>	32%
Robert F. Kennedy, Jr.	8%	28%	<b>35%</b>	21%	26%	<b>47%</b>	18%

### 3. How much, if anything, have you heard in the news this week about the conflict between rap artists Kendrick Lamar and Drake?

A lot	12%
A little	32%
Nothing at all	56%

### 4. 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
Joe Biden	19%	23%	<b>42%</b>	11%	44%	<b>55%</b>	2%
Kamala Harris	16%	24%	<b>40%</b>	11%	41%	<b>52%</b>	9%
Mike Johnson	7%	23%	<b>29%</b>	17%	19%	<b>36%</b>	35%
Mitch McConnell	2%	14%	<b>16%</b>	22%	41%	<b>63%</b>	21%
Chuck Schumer	11%	18%	<b>29%</b>	12%	31%	<b>43%</b>	28%
Hakeem Jeffries	13%	13%	<b>26%</b>	9%	20%	<b>29%</b>	45%

5. How important are the following issues to you?

	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Important	Not very Important	Unimportant	Not Important
Jobs and the economy	71%	26%	<b>96%</b>	3%	1%	<b>4%</b>
Immigration	51%	35%	<b>86%</b>	11%	3%	<b>14%</b>
Climate change and the environment	42%	28%	<b>70%</b>	15%	14%	<b>30%</b>
Foreign policy	44%	42%	<b>85%</b>	12%	3%	<b>15%</b>
National Security	64%	27%	<b>91%</b>	7%	2%	<b>9%</b>
Education	60%	31%	<b>91%</b>	7%	2%	<b>9%</b>
Health care	69%	26%	<b>95%</b>	3%	2%	<b>5%</b>
Taxes and government spending	62%	31%	<b>92%</b>	6%	1%	<b>8%</b>
Abortion	49%	27%	<b>76%</b>	16%	8%	<b>24%</b>
Civil rights	54%	33%	<b>87%</b>	9%	4%	<b>13%</b>
Civil liberties	52%	35%	<b>88%</b>	8%	4%	<b>12%</b>
Guns	53%	30%	<b>83%</b>	12%	6%	<b>17%</b>
Crime	60%	31%	<b>90%</b>	8%	2%	<b>10%</b>
Criminal justice reform	42%	39%	<b>81%</b>	14%	4%	<b>19%</b>
Inflation/prices	78%	19%	<b>97%</b>	3%	1%	<b>3%</b>

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

Inflation/prices	24%
Jobs and the economy	11%
Immigration	10%
Health care	10%
Climate change and the environment	7%
Civil rights	7%
Abortion	7%
National Security	5%
Taxes and government spending	4%
Education	4%
Guns	4%
Crime	3%
Civil liberties	3%
Foreign policy	1%
Criminal justice reform	1%

7. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling his job as President?

Strongly approve	16%
Somewhat approve	23%
<b>Approve</b>	<b>39%</b>
Somewhat disapprove	14%
Strongly disapprove	43%
<b>Disapprove</b>	<b>57%</b>
Not sure	4%

8. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling these specific issues?

	Strongly approve	Somewhat approve	Approve	Somewhat disapprove	Strongly disapprove	Disapprove	No opinion
Jobs and the economy	19%	21%	<b>40%</b>	13%	39%	<b>52%</b>	8%
Climate change and the environment	15%	24%	<b>39%</b>	14%	31%	<b>45%</b>	16%
Health care	16%	25%	<b>42%</b>	16%	29%	<b>46%</b>	13%
Taxes and government spending	12%	21%	<b>33%</b>	13%	43%	<b>55%</b>	11%
Abortion	18%	21%	<b>39%</b>	13%	34%	<b>47%</b>	15%
Guns	12%	20%	<b>32%</b>	16%	37%	<b>53%</b>	16%
Crime	12%	21%	<b>33%</b>	15%	38%	<b>52%</b>	15%
Inflation/prices	12%	18%	<b>30%</b>	15%	47%	<b>62%</b>	8%

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

Strongly approve	2%
Somewhat approve	10%
<b>Approve</b>	<b>13%</b>
Neither approve nor disapprove	15%
Somewhat disapprove	28%
Strongly disapprove	37%
<b>Disapprove</b>	<b>64%</b>
Not sure	8%

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

Strongly approve	9%
Somewhat approve	26%
<b>Approve</b>	<b>35%</b>
Somewhat disapprove	18%
Strongly disapprove	33%
<b>Disapprove</b>	<b>51%</b>
Not sure	14%

11. In general, how would you describe the political viewpoint of the Supreme Court of the United States?

Very liberal .....	3%
Liberal .....	7%
<b>Total Liberal .....</b>	<b>10%</b>
Moderate .....	27%
Conservative .....	23%
Very conservative .....	21%
<b>Total Conservative .....</b>	<b>44%</b>
Not sure .....	19%

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

*Asked of registered voters*

The Democratic Party candidate .....	45%
The Republican Party candidate .....	42%
Other .....	1%
Not sure .....	9%
I would not vote .....	2%

13. How much attention have you been paying to the 2024 election campaign for president?

A lot .....	37%
Some .....	30%
Only a little .....	21%
None at all .....	12%

14. How enthusiastic are you about voting for president in the upcoming election in November?

Extremely enthusiastic .....	28%
Very enthusiastic .....	14%
Somewhat enthusiastic .....	17%
Not too enthusiastic .....	18%
Not at all enthusiastic .....	23%

15. In November 2024, who do you plan to vote for in the presidential election?

*Asked of registered voters*

Joe Biden .....	41%
Donald Trump .....	41%
Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. ....	4%
Jill Stein .....	1%
Cornel West .....	1%
Other .....	1%
I would not vote .....	3%
Not sure .....	8%

**16. Would you say you are mostly voting FOR Joe Biden or AGAINST Donald Trump?**

*Asked of registered voters who say they would vote for Joe Biden if an election were held today*

I'm mostly voting FOR Joe Biden .....	48%
I'm mostly voting AGAINST Donald Trump .....	51%
Not sure .....	2%

**17. Would you say you are mostly voting FOR Donald Trump or AGAINST Joe Biden?**

*Asked of registered voters who say they would vote for Donald Trump if an election were held today*

I'm mostly voting FOR Donald Trump .....	75%
I'm mostly voting AGAINST Joe Biden .....	23%
Not sure .....	2%

**18. Regardless of who you prefer, who do you think would win the presidential election if Joe Biden were the Democratic candidate and Donald Trump were the Republican candidate and one of them were to win?**

Joe Biden .....	34%
Donald Trump .....	42%
Not sure .....	24%

**19. How much do you think Joe Biden cares about the needs and problems of people like you?**

A lot .....	23%
Some .....	21%
Not much .....	15%
Doesn't care at all .....	36%
Not sure .....	5%

**20. Would you say Joe Biden is a strong or a weak leader?**

Very strong .....	13%
Somewhat strong .....	23%
Somewhat weak .....	20%
Very weak .....	44%

**21. How much do you think Donald Trump cares about the needs and problems of people like you?**

A lot .....	26%
Some .....	15%
Not much .....	9%
Doesn't care at all .....	45%
Not sure .....	5%

**22. Would you say Donald Trump is a strong or a weak leader?**

Very strong .....	33%
Somewhat strong .....	21%
Somewhat weak .....	12%
Very weak .....	34%

23. How much do you think Robert F. Kennedy Jr. cares about the needs and problems of people like you?

A lot .....	8%
Some .....	27%
Not much .....	19%
Doesn't care at all .....	22%
Not sure .....	24%

24. Would you say Robert F. Kennedy Jr. is a strong or a weak leader?

Very strong .....	5%
Somewhat strong .....	36%
Somewhat weak .....	34%
Very weak .....	24%

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

Getting better .....	18%
About the same .....	23%
Getting worse .....	52%
Not sure .....	6%

26. 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 .....	39%
Worse off financially than you were a year ago .....	42%
Not sure .....	4%

27. Which of the following best describes your current employment status?

Full-time .....	34%
Part-time .....	11%
Temporarily laid off .....	1%
Unemployed .....	11%
Retired .....	23%
Permanently disabled .....	9%
Homemaker .....	7%
Student .....	3%
Other .....	2%

28. Are you currently enrolled as a student?

Full-time student .....	5%
Part-time student .....	3%
Not a student .....	92%

29. Do you have a job outside of school?

*Asked of students*

Full-time job .....	4%
Part-time job .....	24%
No job outside of school .....	72%

30. In your opinion, should presidents have legal immunity protecting them from being charged for any actions they have taken as President?

Yes, they should be immune .....	20%
No, they should not be immune .....	63%
Not sure .....	18%

31. To your knowledge, do presidents currently have legal immunity protecting them from being charged for any actions they have taken as President?

Yes, they are immune .....	23%
No, they are not immune .....	44%
Not sure .....	33%

32. How much have you heard about the hush-money case against Donald Trump, in which he is facing 34 charges, including for falsifying business records to reimburse his lawyer for payments made to an adult film actress?

A lot .....	44%
A little .....	46%
Nothing at all .....	10%

33. Do you think that Donald Trump should be convicted of a crime in the hush-money case?

Yes .....	48%
No .....	36%
Not sure .....	16%

34. Do you think that Donald Trump will be convicted of a crime in the hush-money case?

Yes .....	28%
No .....	33%
Not sure .....	39%

35. How much, if anything, have you heard about adult film actress Stormy Daniels testifying against Donald Trump in the hush-money case against him?

A lot .....	35%
A little .....	47%
Nothing at all .....	18%

36. Do you believe that Donald Trump...?

	Yes	No	Not sure
Had a sexual encounter with Stormy Daniels	61%	15%	25%
Paid Stormy Daniels to remain silent about their sexual encounter	61%	17%	22%
Falsified business records to pay Stormy Daniels to remain silent about their sexual encounter	49%	27%	24%
Committed a crime by paying Stormy Daniels to remain silent about their sexual encounter	44%	37%	19%
Paid Stormy Daniels with the goal of influencing the election	41%	36%	23%

37. How would you rate the quality of legal representation that Donald Trump is receiving?

Very good	18%
Somewhat good	26%
Somewhat bad	12%
Very bad	8%
Not sure	36%

38. How closely do you think Donald Trump is following the advice of his legal counsel?

Very closely	9%
Somewhat closely	26%
Not very closely	21%
Not at all closely	17%
Not sure	27%

39. The judge in Donald Trump's hush-money case has said that if Trump continues to violate the gag order — and is again found in contempt of court — he could go to jail. Do you think that jail time would be an appropriate or inappropriate sentence for Trump repeatedly violating the gag order?

Appropriate	53%
Inappropriate	32%
Not sure	16%

40. In the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, are your sympathies more with...?

The Israelis	34%
About equal	25%
The Palestinians	19%
Not sure	22%



41. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of Benjamin Netanyahu?

Very favorable .....	12%
Somewhat favorable .....	16%
<b>Favorable</b> .....	<b>28%</b>
Somewhat unfavorable .....	13%
Very unfavorable .....	24%
<b>Unfavorable</b> .....	<b>37%</b>
Don't know .....	36%

42. Would you support or oppose Israel and Hamas agreeing to a ceasefire now?

Strongly support .....	46%
Somewhat support .....	19%
<b>Support</b> .....	<b>65%</b>
Somewhat oppose .....	6%
Strongly oppose .....	7%
<b>Oppose</b> .....	<b>13%</b>
Not sure .....	22%

43. Would you support or oppose Israel and Hamas agreeing to a ceasefire even if Hamas does not release its remaining hostages to Israel?

Strongly support .....	11%
Somewhat support .....	16%
<b>Support</b> .....	<b>28%</b>
Somewhat oppose .....	16%
Strongly oppose .....	30%
<b>Oppose</b> .....	<b>46%</b>
Not sure .....	27%

44. Who do you think would benefit from a ceasefire in Gaza? Select all that apply.

Hamas .....	40%
Israel .....	22%
People living in Gaza .....	58%
People living in Israel .....	34%
The United States .....	18%
Joe Biden .....	25%
None of the above .....	2%
Not sure .....	23%

45. How likely do you think it is that there will be a ceasefire between Israel and Hamas within the next month?

Very likely .....	3%
Somewhat likely .....	18%
Not very likely .....	35%
Not likely at all .....	17%
Not sure .....	27%

46. Do you think Israel has violated any international laws in Gaza?

Yes .....	35%
No .....	28%
Not sure .....	36%

47. Do you support or oppose Joe Biden’s decision to withhold the delivery of certain weapons to Israel if the Israeli military moves forward with a major ground offensive in Rafah in Southern Gaza?

Strongly support .....	29%
Somewhat support .....	16%
<b>Support</b> .....	<b>45%</b>
Somewhat oppose .....	7%
Strongly oppose .....	24%
<b>Oppose</b> .....	<b>31%</b>
Not sure .....	24%

48. Do you think that the Israeli government’s military response to the attack by Hamas has been...?

Too harsh .....	31%
About right .....	25%
Not harsh enough .....	15%
Not sure .....	29%

49. How much have you heard about the arrests of pro-Palestinian protesters on American college campuses?

A lot .....	39%
A little .....	42%
Nothing at all .....	19%

50. Do you support or oppose recent pro-Palestinian protests on U.S. college campuses?

Strongly support .....	13%
Somewhat support .....	16%
<b>Support</b> .....	<b>29%</b>
Somewhat oppose .....	13%
Strongly oppose .....	36%
<b>Oppose</b> .....	<b>50%</b>
Not sure .....	21%

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

Very liberal .....	10%
Liberal .....	16%
<b>Total Liberal .....</b>	<b>26%</b>
Moderate .....	33%
Conservative .....	21%
Very conservative .....	11%
<b>Total Conservative .....</b>	<b>32%</b>
Not sure .....	9%

52. Are you registered to vote?

Registered .....	73%
Not registered .....	27%

53. Who did you vote for in the election for President in 2020?

Joe Biden .....	35%
Donald Trump .....	32%
Other .....	1%
Did not vote for President .....	32%

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

Democrat .....	34%
Republican .....	31%
Independent .....	25%
Other .....	3%
Not sure .....	6%

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

*Calculated based on a series of questions about party identification*

Strong Democrat .....	22%
Not very strong Democrat .....	13%
Lean Democrat .....	9%
Independent .....	16%
Lean Republican .....	7%
Not very strong Republican .....	12%
Strong Republican .....	19%
Not sure .....	2%
Don't know .....	0%

56. Are you... ?

Male .....	48%
Female .....	52%

**57. Respondent age by category**

Under 30	21%
30-44	24%
45-64	32%
65+	22%

**58. What racial or ethnic group best describes you?**

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

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

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

**60. What is your marital status?**

Married	40%
Separated	3%
Divorced	11%
Widowed	5%
Never married	34%
Domestic / civil partnership	7%

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

Yes	21%
No	79%

**62. Census Region**

*Calculated from respondent's state of residence*

Northeast	17%
Midwest	21%
South	38%
West	23%

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

Under \$50K	41%
\$50-100K	28%
\$100K or more	21%
Prefer not to say	11%

**64. How important is religion in your life?**

Very important .....	36%
Somewhat important .....	25%
Not too important .....	16%
Not at all important .....	23%

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

More than once a week .....	7%
Once a week .....	16%
Once or twice a month .....	6%
A few times a year .....	12%
Seldom .....	20%
Never .....	36%
Don't know .....	3%

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

Yes .....	28%
No .....	72%

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

Several times a day .....	26%
Once a day .....	14%
A few times a week .....	12%
Once a week .....	3%
A few times a month .....	6%
Seldom .....	16%
Never .....	22%
Don't know .....	3%

**68. What is your present religion, if any?**

Protestant .....	30%
Roman Catholic .....	20%
Mormon .....	1%
Eastern or Greek Orthodox .....	1%
Jewish .....	3%
Muslim .....	2%
Buddhist .....	1%
Hindu .....	0%
Atheist .....	7%
Agnostic .....	6%
Nothing in particular .....	19%
Something else .....	11%

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<b>Sponsorship</b>	<i>The Economist</i>
<b>Fieldwork</b>	YouGov
<b>Interviewing Dates</b>	May 12 - 14, 2024
<b>Target population</b>	U.S. Citizens, age 18 and over
<b>Sampling method</b>	Respondents were selected from YouGov's opt-in panel to be representative of adult U.S. citizens.
<b>Sample composition</b>	2,235 started the survey after screenouts. 199 were deleted due to breakoffs, 125 were removed for interview completion time under 5 minutes, 23 were removed for attention check failures, and 58 were removed for data quality control. The reporting is based on the remaining 1,830 respondents.
<b>Weighting</b>	The sample was weighted according to gender, age, race, education, 2020 election turnout and Presidential vote, baseline party identification, and current voter registration status. Demographic weighting targets come from the 2019 American Community Survey. Baseline party identification is the respondent's most recent answer given around November 1, 2022, and is weighted to the estimated distribution at that time (33% Democratic, 31% Republican). The weights range from 0.066 to 6.553, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.799.
<b>Number of respondents</b>	1830 1586 (Registered voters)
<b>Margin of error</b>	± 2.9% (adjusted for weighting) ± 2.9% (Registered voters)
<b>Survey mode</b>	Web-based interviews
<b>Questions not reported</b>	70 questions not reported.