The Economist/YouGov Poll
August 11 - 13, 2024 - 1567 U.S. Adult citizens

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Sample   1567 U.S. Adult citizens
Conducted   August 11 - 13, 2024
Margin of Error ±3.3%

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

Generally headed in the right direction	26%
Off on the wrong track	63%
Not sure	11%

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

A lot	49%
Some	27%
Only a little	18%
None at all	6%

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

Extremely enthusiastic	37%
Very enthusiastic	17%
Somewhat enthusiastic	19%
Not too enthusiastic	13%
Not at all enthusiastic	15%

4. How likely is it that you will vote in the 2024 presidential election this year?
Among registered voters and those who plan to register to vote before November

Definitely will vote	82%
Probably will vote	11%
Maybe will vote	4%
Probably will not vote	1%
Definitely will not vote	1%
Don't know	1%

5. In November 2024, who do you plan to vote for in the presidential election?
Among registered voters

Kamala Harris	46%
Donald Trump	44%
Robert F. Kennedy, Jr.	3%
Jill Stein	1%
Cornel West	0%
Other	1%
I would not vote	1%
Not sure	4%

6. Would you consider voting for Kamala Harris, or have you made up your mind?
Asked of registered voters

I would consider voting for Kamala Harris 53%
I would not consider voting for Kamala Harris 47%

7. Would you consider voting for Donald Trump, or have you made up your mind?
Asked of registered voters

I would consider voting for Donald Trump 48%
I would not consider voting for Donald Trump 52%

8. Between Harris and Trump, who would you prefer to have as president?

Prefer Harris over Trump 49%
Prefer Trump over Harris 45%
Prefer both equally 6%

9. Would you say that your mind is made up about how you will vote?
Asked of registered voters who intend to vote for Harris

I will definitely vote for Kamala Harris 94%
I could change my mind between now and the election 6%

10. Would you say that your mind is made up about how you will vote?
Asked of registered voters who intend to vote for Trump

I will definitely vote for Donald Trump 93%
I could change my mind between now and the election 7%

11. Would you say that your mind is made up about how you will vote?
Asked of registered voters who intend to vote third party

My mind is made up 41%
I could change my mind between now and the election 59%

12. Regardless of who you prefer, who do you think would win the presidential election if Kamala Harris were the Democratic candidate and Donald Trump were the Republican candidate ?

Kamala Harris 40%
Donald Trump 40%
Not sure 20%

13. 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 44%
Other 1%
Not sure 8%
I would not vote 1%

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

	Very favorable	Some-what favorable	Favorable	Some-what unfavor-able	Very unfavorable	Unfavor-able	Don't know
Kamala Harris	27%	20%	**47%**	7%	42%	**48%**	4%
Tim Walz	25%	14%	**40%**	7%	31%	**39%**	22%
Donald Trump	28%	15%	**43%**	9%	45%	**54%**	3%
JD Vance	19%	17%	**36%**	10%	37%	**47%**	17%

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

	Very favorable	Some-what favorable	Favorable	Some-what unfavor-able	Very unfavorable	Unfavor-able	Don't know
Josh Shapiro	12%	19%	**32%**	13%	11%	**24%**	45%
Simone Biles	47%	21%	**67%**	6%	6%	**12%**	21%
Noah Lyles	11%	17%	**28%**	6%	4%	**9%**	62%
Taylor Swift	24%	32%	**56%**	18%	17%	**35%**	9%
Steph Curry	24%	26%	**50%**	7%	6%	**13%**	37%
Katie Ledecky	26%	16%	**41%**	4%	4%	**7%**	52%
Diana Taurasi	7%	10%	**17%**	6%	3%	**9%**	74%

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

	Very favorable	Some-what favorable	Favorable	Some-what unfavor-able	Very unfavorable	Unfavor-able	Don't know
Joe Biden	21%	17%	**39%**	14%	44%	**58%**	4%

17. How important are the following issues to you?

	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Important	Not very Important	Unimpor-tant	Not Important
Jobs and the economy	74%	23%	**96%**	3%	1%	**4%**
Immigration	56%	31%	**87%**	11%	2%	**13%**
Climate change and the environment	43%	27%	**70%**	14%	16%	**30%**
Foreign policy	47%	42%	**89%**	8%	3%	**11%**
National Security	67%	25%	**92%**	6%	2%	**8%**
Education	61%	29%	**89%**	8%	3%	**11%**
Health care	71%	23%	**94%**	4%	2%	**6%**

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Taxes and government spending	64%	30%	**94%**	5%	1%	**6%**
Abortion	47%	27%	**75%**	14%	11%	**25%**
Civil rights	57%	30%	**88%**	9%	4%	**12%**
Civil liberties	56%	32%	**88%**	8%	4%	**12%**
Guns	53%	30%	**83%**	11%	6%	**17%**
Crime	61%	30%	**91%**	8%	2%	**9%**
Criminal justice reform	47%	37%	**84%**	11%	5%	**16%**
Inflation/prices	79%	18%	**97%**	2%	1%	**3%**

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

Inflation/prices	24%
Jobs and the economy	13%
Immigration	12%
Health care	10%
Abortion	7%
Civil rights	6%
Climate change and the environment	6%
Taxes and government spending	6%
National Security	3%
Guns	3%
Education	3%
Crime	2%
Civil liberties	2%
Foreign policy	1%
Criminal justice reform	1%

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

Strongly approve	17%
Somewhat approve	21%
Approve	**38%**
Somewhat disapprove	13%
Strongly disapprove	44%
Disapprove	**57%**
Not sure	5%

20. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden 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	19%	20%	**39%**	11%	41%	**52%**	9%
Immigration	12%	20%	**32%**	12%	45%	**57%**	11%
Education	19%	22%	**40%**	12%	32%	**44%**	16%
Health care	19%	21%	**40%**	16%	31%	**47%**	13%
Civil rights	18%	22%	**40%**	14%	29%	**43%**	17%
Civil liberties	17%	22%	**39%**	13%	29%	**43%**	18%
Crime	14%	21%	**35%**	12%	38%	**50%**	15%
Inflation/prices	12%	20%	**32%**	12%	47%	**60%**	9%

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

Strongly approve ……………………………………………………………………………2%
Somewhat approve ……………………………………………………………………… 12%
Approve ……………………………………………………………………………… **14%**
Neither approve nor disapprove …………………………………………………………… 19%
Somewhat disapprove ……………………………………………………………………… 26%
Strongly disapprove ……………………………………………………………………… 31%
Disapprove ……………………………………………………………………………… **57%**
Not sure ……………………………………………………………………………………… 9%

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

Strongly approve ………………………………………………………………………… 14%
Somewhat approve ……………………………………………………………………… 23%
Approve ……………………………………………………………………………… **37%**
Somewhat disapprove ……………………………………………………………………… 15%
Strongly disapprove ……………………………………………………………………… 34%
Disapprove ……………………………………………………………………………… **50%**
Not sure …………………………………………………………………………………… 14%

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

Very liberal ……………………………………………………………………………… 3%
Liberal …………………………………………………………………………………… 6%
Total Liberal ……………………………………………………………………………… **9%**
Moderate ………………………………………………………………………………… 28%
Conservative …………………………………………………………………………… 24%
Very conservative ……………………………………………………………………… 20%
Total Conservative …………………………………………………………………… **45%**
Not sure ………………………………………………………………………………… 18%

24. 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	8%
Somewhat approve	23%
Approve	**32%**
Somewhat disapprove	15%
Strongly disapprove	22%
Disapprove	**36%**
Not sure	32%

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

Strongly approve	10%
Somewhat approve	21%
Approve	**31%**
Somewhat disapprove	12%
Strongly disapprove	28%
Disapprove	**40%**
Not sure	29%

26. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Mitch McConnell is handling his job as Minority Leader of the U.S. Senate?

Strongly approve	2%
Somewhat approve	14%
Approve	**16%**
Somewhat disapprove	19%
Strongly disapprove	37%
Disapprove	**56%**
Not sure	27%

27. 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	14%
Somewhat approve	15%
Approve	**29%**
Somewhat disapprove	11%
Strongly disapprove	21%
Disapprove	**31%**
Not sure	39%

28. Would you say Kamala Harris is...

Very liberal	39%
Liberal	26%
Total Liberal	**65%**
Moderate	16%
Conservative	2%
Very conservative	2%
Total Conservative	**5%**
Not sure	14%

29. Do you think Kamala Harris is honest and trustworthy, or not?

Honest and trustworthy	39%
Not honest and trustworthy	44%
Not sure	16%

30. Would you say Donald Trump is...

Very liberal	3%
Liberal	3%
Total Liberal	**6%**
Moderate	12%
Conservative	31%
Very conservative	31%
Total Conservative	**62%**
Not sure	20%

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

Honest and trustworthy	32%
Not honest and trustworthy	55%
Not sure	14%

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

Getting better	19%
About the same	21%
Getting worse	51%
Not sure	8%

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

Better off financially than you were a year ago	12%
About the same financially as you were a year ago	38%
Worse off financially than you were a year ago	44%
Not sure	5%

34. Looking ahead, do you think that a year from now you and your household will be...

Better off financially ……………………………………………………………………23%
Just about the same as now ………………………………………………………………34%
Worse off financially ………………………………………………………………………22%
Not sure ……………………………………………………………………………………21%

35. Do you consider the following to be an ally or an enemy of the United States?

	Ally	Friendly	Unfriendly	Enemy	Not sure
Russia	1%	4%	25%	55%	15%
Ukraine	31%	38%	7%	5%	19%
Turkey	7%	23%	23%	5%	42%
Israel	41%	21%	10%	5%	23%
Iran	1%	2%	21%	55%	20%
France	43%	30%	6%	2%	19%

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

The Israelis ………………………………………………………………………………33%
About equal ………………………………………………………………………………26%
The Palestinians …………………………………………………………………………19%
Not sure ……………………………………………………………………………………23%

37. In the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, do you think Kamala Harris' sympathies are more with...

The Israelis ………………………………………………………………………………13%
About equal ………………………………………………………………………………23%
The Palestinians …………………………………………………………………………28%
Not sure ……………………………………………………………………………………36%

38. In the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, do you think Donald Trump's sympathies are more with...?

The Israelis ………………………………………………………………………………53%
About equal ………………………………………………………………………………10%
The Palestinians ……………………………………………………………………………3%
Not sure ……………………………………………………………………………………34%

39. Do you think that Joe Biden's approach to the Israel-Hamas war has been...?

Too supportive of Israel …………………………………………………………………26%
About right ………………………………………………………………………………21%
Not supportive enough of Israel …………………………………………………………25%
Not sure ……………………………………………………………………………………28%

40. Do you think that Kamala Harris' approach to the Israel-Hamas war has been...?

Too supportive of Israel	13%
About right	22%
Not supportive enough of Israel	27%
Not sure	38%

41. Do you think that Donald Trump's approach to the Israel-Hamas war has been...?

Too supportive of Israel	23%
About right	32%
Not supportive enough of Israel	6%
Not sure	39%

42. Do the words below describe or not describe Kamala Harris?

	Describes	Does not describe
Intelligent	58%	42%
Hard working	57%	43%
Corrupt	44%	56%
Patriotic	53%	47%
Qualified	52%	48%
Dedicated	59%	41%

43. Do the words below describe or not describe Donald Trump?

	Describes	Does not describe
Intelligent	50%	50%
Hard working	54%	46%
Corrupt	56%	44%
Patriotic	57%	43%
Qualified	48%	52%
Dedicated	56%	44%

44. Do you think Kamala Harris...

Says what she believes	38%
Says what she thinks people want to hear	46%
Not sure	16%

45. Do you think Donald Trump...

Says what he believes	50%
Says what he thinks people want to hear	41%
Not sure	9%

46. Kamala Harris recently selected Tim Walz as her vice presidential running mate. Do you think that selecting Tim Walz was a good choice or a bad choice?

Very good choice 26%
Somewhat good choice 16%
Somewhat bad choice 6%
Very bad choice 24%
Don't know 28%

47. Do you think Tim Walz...

Says what he believes 40%
Says what he thinks people want to hear 32%
Not sure 28%

48. Do you think Tim Walz is qualified to be vice-president?

Qualified to be vice-president 44%
Not qualified to be vice-president 32%
Not sure 25%

49. If it becomes necessary, do you think Tim Walz is qualified to be president?

Qualified to be president 33%
Not qualified to be president 38%
Not sure 28%

50. Would you say Tim Walz is...

Very liberal 31%
Liberal 26%
Total Liberal **57%**
Moderate 16%
Conservative 2%
Very conservative 1%
Total Conservative **3%**
Not sure 24%

51. Do you think Tim Walz helps or hurts Kamala Harris' chances to win the presidential election?

Helps Harris' chances 38%
Hurts Harris' chances 14%
Makes no difference 26%
Not sure 23%

52. Donald Trump recently selected JD Vance as his vice presidential running mate. Do you think that selecting JD Vance was a good choice or a bad choice?

Very good choice 18%
Somewhat good choice 18%
Somewhat bad choice 11%
Very bad choice 29%
Don't know 24%

53. Do you think JD Vance...

Says what he believes 42%
Says what he thinks people want to hear 34%
Not sure 24%

54. Do you think JD Vance is qualified to be vice-president?

Qualified to be vice-president 37%
Not qualified to be vice-president 39%
Not sure 23%

55. If it becomes necessary, do you think JD Vance is qualified to be president?

Qualified to be president 28%
Not qualified to be president 45%
Not sure 26%

56. Would you say JD Vance is...

Very liberal 1%
Liberal 2%
Total Liberal **3%**
Moderate 8%
Conservative 28%
Very conservative 36%
Total Conservative **64%**
Not sure 25%

57. Do you think JD Vance helps or hurts Donald Trump's chances to win the presidential election?

Helps Trump's chances 22%
Hurts Trump's chances 26%
Makes no difference 34%
Not sure 18%

58. For each of the following people, please indicate whether or not they are a military veteran.

	Yes	No	Not sure
Joe Biden	16%	54%	30%
Kamala Harris	3%	74%	22%
Tim Walz	55%	13%	32%
Donald Trump	4%	79%	17%
JD Vance	55%	12%	33%

59. Thinking about his military service, do you think Tim Walz served honorably or do you think he did not serve honorably?

Served honorably	42%
Did not serve honorably	18%
Don't know enough to say	40%

60. Thinking about his military service, do you think JD Vance served honorably or do you think he did not serve honorably?

Served honorably	48%
Did not serve honorably	7%
Don't know enough to say	45%

61. Thinking about the Summer Olympics this year, how much of the games have you watched?

I watched events every day	9%
I watched lots of events when I could	14%
I watched a few events	32%
I didn't watch any of them	42%
Not sure	4%

62. Do you think that the U.S. Olympic team's performance at the Summer Olympics in Paris has been...?

Excellent	29%
Very good	28%
Average	10%
Below average	2%
Poor	2%
Not sure	29%

63. Compared to previous Summer Olympics, do you think the U.S. Olympic team has performed...

Better than it usually does	22%
About the same level as it usually does	36%
Worse than it usually does	5%
Not sure	37%

64. As the host of the 2024 Olympics, do you think the city of Paris has been...?
Asked of those who watched at least a few events of the Olympics

Excellent 28%
Good 36%
Fair 18%
Poor 7%
Terrible 6%
Not sure 6%

65. As the host of the 2028 Olympics, do you expect Los Angeles to be...?

Excellent 21%
Good 27%
Fair 12%
Poor 5%
Terrible 9%
Not sure 25%

66. Which are your favorite sports at the summer Olympics? Please choose up to five.

3-on-3 basketball 4%
Archery 5%
Artistic gymnastics 23%
Badminton 2%
Basketball 21%
BMX freestyle 3%
BMX racing 3%
Boxing 8%
Breaking 3%
Canoe/kayak (slalom) 1%
Canoe/kayak (sprint) 0%
Diving 15%
Equestrian / Dressage 2%
Equestrian / Eventing 2%
Equestrian / Jumping 3%
Fencing 3%
Field hockey 1%
Freestyle wrestling 2%
Golf 2%
Greco-Roman wrestling 1%
Handball 1%
Judo 2%
Marathon swimming 4%
Modern pentathlon 1%
Mountain biking 1%
Rhythmic gymnastics 11%

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Road cycling 1%

Rowing 1%

Rugby 2%

Sailing 1%

Shooting 6%

Skateboarding 4%

Soccer (football) 11%

Sport climbing (rock climbing) 1%

Surfing 3%

Swimming 28%

Synchronized swimming 7%

Table tennis 4%

Taekwondo 2%

Tennis 4%

Track and field (athletics) 22%

Track cycling (indoor cycling) 1%

Trampoline 2%

Triathlon 2%

Volleyball (beach) 10%

Volleyball (indoor) 6%

Water polo 1%

Weightlifting 4%

None of the above 20%

Don't know 12%

67. Which Olympic events did you watch more of — men's events or women's events?
Asked of those who watched at least a few events of the Olympics

Men's events 40%

Women's events 60%

68. Have you ever used an online dating app?

Yes 30%

No 70%

69. Are you currently using any online dating apps?
Asked of those who have used an online dating app

Yes 22%

No 78%

70. When did you stop using online dating apps?
Asked of those who have used an online dating app but don't use any currently

Within the last month	4%
Within the last 6 months	11%
Within the last year	10%
Within the last 5 years	29%
More than 5 years ago	46%

71. Do you think you will start using any online dating apps again in the future?
Asked of those who have used an online dating app but don't use any currently

Yes	8%
No	68%
Not sure	24%

72. Have you ever quit using any online dating apps?
Asked of those who have used an online dating app

Yes	87%
No	9%
Not sure	3%

73. When did you most recently quit using an online dating app?
Asked of those who have quit using an online dating app

Within the last month	9%
Within the last 6 months	12%
Within the last year	13%
Within the last 5 years	26%
More than 5 years ago	39%

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

Very liberal	12%
Liberal	15%
Total Liberal	**28%**
Moderate	32%
Conservative	20%
Very conservative	11%
Total Conservative	**31%**
Not sure	9%

75. Are you registered to vote?

Registered	74%
Not registered	26%

76. 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%

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

Democrat	34%
Republican	31%
Independent	24%
Other	4%
Not sure	7%

78. 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	12%
Lean Democrat	9%
Independent	14%
Lean Republican	8%
Not very strong Republican	12%
Strong Republican	19%
Not sure	3%
Don't know	0%

79. Do you identify as a MAGA Republican?
Asked of Republicans

Yes	54%
No	35%
Not sure	11%

80. Are you. . . ?

Male	48%
Female	52%

81. Respondent age by category

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

82. What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

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

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

HS or less 36%
Some college 30%
College grad 22%
Postgrad 12%

84. What is your marital status?

Married 40%
Separated 1%
Divorced 13%
Widowed 5%
Never married 35%
Domestic / civil partnership 6%

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

Yes 21%
No 79%

86. Census Region
Calculated from respondent's state of residence

Northeast 17%
Midwest 22%
South 38%
West 23%

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

Under $50K 41%
$50-100K 28%
$100K or more 20%
Prefer not to say 11%

88. How important is religion in your life?

Very important 33%
Somewhat important 25%
Not too important 15%
Not at all important 27%

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

More than once a week	6%
Once a week	15%
Once or twice a month	7%
A few times a year	12%
Seldom	20%
Never	37%
Don't know	3%

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

Yes	27%
No	73%

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

Several times a day	24%
Once a day	14%
A few times a week	10%
Once a week	2%
A few times a month	7%
Seldom	17%
Never	23%
Don't know	3%

92. What is your present religion, if any?

Protestant	26%
Roman Catholic	20%
Mormon	2%
Eastern or Greek Orthodox	1%
Jewish	3%
Muslim	1%
Buddhist	1%
Hindu	0%
Atheist	6%
Agnostic	7%
Nothing in particular	24%
Something else	10%

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Sponsorship	*The Economist*
Fieldwork	YouGov
Interviewing Dates	August 11 - 13, 2024
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	1,857 started the survey after screenouts. 152 were deleted due to breakoffs, 60 were removed for interview completion time under 5 minutes, 39 were removed for attention check failures, and 39 were removed for data quality control. The reporting is based on the remaining 1,567 respondents.
Weighting	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 0.052 to 6.612, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.907.
Number of respondents	1567 1407 (Registered voters)
Margin of error	$\pm$ 3.3% (adjusted for weighting) $\pm$ 3.2% (Registered voters)
Survey mode	Web-based interviews
Questions not reported	64 questions not reported.