

# The Economist/YouGov Poll

March 26 - 28, 2023 - 1500 U.S. Adult citizens



Sample 1500 U.S. Adult citizens  
 Conducted March 26 - 28, 2023  
 Margin of Error ±3.2%

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

Generally headed in the right direction	30%
Off on the wrong track	59%
Not sure	11%

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

Excellent	7%
Good	20%
<b>Excellent / Good</b>	<b>28%</b>
Fair	29%
Poor	40%
<b>Fair / Poor</b>	<b>69%</b>
Don't know	3%

## 3. Do you believe the United States is currently in an economic recession?

Yes	59%
No	25%
Not sure	15%

## 4. How likely do you think it is that there will be an economic recession during the next twelve months?

Very likely	3%
Somewhat likely	13%
Not very likely	13%
Not at all likely	1%
Not sure	11%
Not asked - Already in a recession	59%

## 5. Six months from now do you think there will be...

Higher gas prices	48%
The same gas prices	25%
Lower gas prices	12%
Not sure	15%

## 6. Six months from now do you think there will be...

A higher rate of inflation	46%
The same rate of inflation	27%
A lower rate of inflation	15%
Not sure	12%

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

A lot .....	49%
A little .....	44%
Not at all .....	7%

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

Higher interest rates .....	51%
The same interest rates .....	24%
Lower interest rates .....	7%
Not sure .....	18%

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

More jobs .....	19%
The same amount of jobs .....	36%
Fewer jobs .....	29%
Not sure .....	16%

10. In the war between Russia and Ukraine, who do you think is currently winning?

Russia .....	21%
Ukraine .....	23%
Neither .....	36%
Not sure .....	20%

11. Who is more likely to be the eventual winner of the conflict between Russia and Ukraine?

Russia .....	25%
Ukraine .....	29%
Equally likely .....	14%
Not sure .....	31%

12. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of the following person?

	Very favorable	Some-what favorable	Favorable	Some-what unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Unfavorable	Don't know
John Fetterman	13%	21%	<b>33%</b>	10%	20%	<b>30%</b>	36%
Ron DeSantis	21%	23%	<b>44%</b>	12%	24%	<b>36%</b>	20%

13. Do you want Joe Biden to run for president again in 2024?

Yes .....	26%
No .....	58%
Not sure .....	16%

**14. Do you want Donald Trump to run for president again in 2024?**

Yes .....	35%
No .....	53%
Not sure .....	12%

**15. Which, if any, of the following social networks are you currently a member of? Please select all that apply.**

Facebook .....	77%
Twitter .....	40%
LinkedIn .....	27%
Google+ .....	1%
MySpace .....	4%
Pinterest .....	27%
Tumblr .....	5%
Instagram .....	44%
Vine .....	0%
Snapchat .....	20%
Bebo .....	0%
Periscope .....	0%
Reddit .....	13%
WeChat .....	2%
Qzone .....	1%
Meetup .....	3%
Weibo .....	1%
TikTok .....	23%
YouTube .....	47%
Discord .....	7%
BeReal .....	2%
Other .....	4%
Don't know .....	1%
Not applicable - I am not currently a member of any social networks .....	8%

**16. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of TikTok?**

Very favorable .....	12%
Somewhat favorable .....	19%
Somewhat unfavorable .....	21%
Very unfavorable .....	32%
Don't know .....	16%

**17. Do you believe TikTok poses a national security threat to the U.S.?**

Yes .....	42%
No .....	31%
Not sure .....	28%

18. How much, if anything, have you heard in the news about the U.S. government demanding that the Chinese owners of TikTok sell their stakes in the company or the app will be banned in the U.S.?

A lot .....	26%
A little .....	53%
Nothing at all .....	21%

19. Do you approve or disapprove of the U.S. government's demand that the Chinese owners of TikTok sell their stakes or TikTok will be banned in the U.S.?

Strongly approve .....	28%
Somewhat approve .....	23%
Somewhat disapprove .....	13%
Strongly disapprove .....	10%
Not sure .....	25%

20. How important are the following issues to you?

	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not very Important	Unimportant
Jobs and the economy	69%	26%	3%	2%
Immigration	52%	33%	11%	4%
Climate change and the environment	43%	27%	14%	15%
Foreign policy	45%	42%	8%	4%
National Security	68%	25%	6%	2%
Education	64%	28%	6%	2%
Health care	69%	24%	5%	2%
Taxes and government spending	60%	30%	8%	2%
Abortion	48%	25%	18%	10%
Civil rights	57%	30%	10%	4%
Civil liberties	57%	29%	11%	3%
Guns	53%	29%	12%	7%
Crime	64%	26%	7%	2%
Criminal justice reform	47%	35%	11%	7%
Inflation/prices	67%	25%	6%	2%

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

Inflation/prices	16%
Health care	12%
Jobs and the economy	11%
National Security	9%
Climate change and the environment	9%
Taxes and government spending	7%
Immigration	6%
Civil rights	6%
Education	5%
Abortion	5%
Guns	5%
Crime	3%
Civil liberties	2%
Criminal justice reform	2%
Foreign policy	1%

22. 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	22%	22%	<b>43%</b>	13%	39%	<b>52%</b>	5%
Kamala Harris	15%	25%	<b>40%</b>	14%	38%	<b>52%</b>	8%
Kevin McCarthy	11%	23%	<b>34%</b>	14%	27%	<b>41%</b>	26%
Mitch McConnell	6%	21%	<b>27%</b>	22%	33%	<b>55%</b>	18%
Chuck Schumer	12%	24%	<b>36%</b>	12%	30%	<b>41%</b>	23%
Hakeem Jeffries	14%	19%	<b>33%</b>	10%	19%	<b>29%</b>	39%
Donald Trump	23%	20%	<b>43%</b>	12%	39%	<b>51%</b>	6%

23. 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	18%	24%	<b>42%</b>	16%	34%	<b>51%</b>	7%
The Republican Party	16%	28%	<b>44%</b>	17%	31%	<b>48%</b>	8%

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

Strongly approve	15%
Somewhat approve	27%
<b>Approve</b>	<b>42%</b>
Somewhat disapprove	14%
Strongly disapprove	38%
<b>Disapprove</b>	<b>52%</b>
Not sure	6%

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

	Strongly approve	Some-what approve	Approve	Some-what disapprove	Strongly disapprove	Disapprove	No opinion
Jobs and the economy	17%	22%	<b>39%</b>	17%	36%	<b>53%</b>	8%
Immigration	11%	25%	<b>35%</b>	16%	39%	<b>55%</b>	10%
Foreign policy	18%	24%	<b>41%</b>	14%	35%	<b>48%</b>	10%
Guns	11%	19%	<b>31%</b>	19%	39%	<b>57%</b>	12%
Crime	12%	21%	<b>32%</b>	17%	38%	<b>55%</b>	13%
Criminal justice reform	9%	25%	<b>33%</b>	17%	33%	<b>50%</b>	17%
Inflation/prices	11%	21%	<b>32%</b>	16%	43%	<b>59%</b>	9%

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

A lot	19%
Some	24%
Not much	15%
Doesn't care at all	36%
Not sure	5%

27. Do you think Joe Biden is honest and trustworthy, or not?

Honest and trustworthy	39%
Not honest and trustworthy	44%
Not sure	17%

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

Strongly approve	4%
Somewhat approve	19%
Neither approve nor disapprove	17%
Somewhat disapprove	25%
Strongly disapprove	27%
Not sure	8%

29. 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	15%	24%	<b>39%</b>	17%	33%	<b>51%</b>	10%
Republicans in Congress	11%	29%	<b>39%</b>	20%	30%	<b>50%</b>	11%

30. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Kevin McCarthy is handling his job as the Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives?

Strongly approve	10%
Somewhat approve	28%
Somewhat disapprove	11%
Strongly disapprove	23%
Not sure	27%

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

Strongly approve	11%
Somewhat approve	24%
Somewhat disapprove	13%
Strongly disapprove	27%
Not sure	25%

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

Strongly approve	5%
Somewhat approve	22%
Somewhat disapprove	21%
Strongly disapprove	29%
Not sure	23%

33. 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	13%
Somewhat approve	19%
Somewhat disapprove	10%
Strongly disapprove	18%
Not sure	39%

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

Strongly approve .....	10%
Somewhat approve .....	32%
Somewhat disapprove .....	17%
Strongly disapprove .....	23%
Not sure .....	17%

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

Very liberal .....	4%
Liberal .....	9%
Moderate .....	29%
Conservative .....	22%
Very conservative .....	18%
Not sure .....	18%

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

Getting better .....	15%
About the same .....	28%
Getting worse .....	50%
Not sure .....	7%

**37. Do you think the stock market will be higher or lower 12 months from now?**

Higher .....	20%
About the same .....	24%
Lower .....	29%
Not sure .....	28%

**38. Would you say that you and your family are...**

Better off financially than you were a year ago .....	16%
About the same financially as you were a year ago .....	38%
Worse off financially than you were a year ago .....	40%
Not sure .....	6%

**39. How worried are you about losing your job?**

*Asked of those currently employed*

Very worried .....	10%
Somewhat worried .....	32%
Not very worried .....	58%



40. 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. ....	24%
Somewhat hard – It might take a while before I found a job that paid as much. ....	41%
Not very hard .....	26%
Not sure .....	9%

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

*Asked of those currently employed*

Very happy .....	26%
Happy .....	46%
Neither happy nor unhappy .....	21%
Unhappy .....	4%
Very unhappy .....	2%

42. Some people seem to follow what’s going on in government and public affairs most of the time, whether there’s an election going on or not. Others aren’t that interested. Would you say you follow what’s going on in government and public affairs ...

Most of the time .....	41%
Some of the time .....	29%
Only now and then .....	13%
Hardly at all .....	12%
Don’t know .....	5%

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

Democrat .....	34%
Independent .....	35%
Republican .....	31%

44. Would you say that Joe Biden legitimately won the 2020 election, or not?

Biden legitimately won the election .....	63%
Biden did NOT legitimately win the election .....	37%

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

Very liberal .....	12%
Liberal .....	16%
Moderate .....	31%
Conservative .....	21%
Very conservative .....	10%
Not sure .....	10%

<b>46. Are you registered to vote?</b>	
Registered .....	73%
Not registered .....	27%
<b>47. Who did you vote for in the election for President in 2020?</b>	
Joe Biden .....	35%
Donald Trump .....	32%
Other .....	1%
Did not vote for President .....	32%
<b>48. Political Party Identification</b>	
<i>Calculated based on a series of questions about party identification</i>	
Strong Democrat .....	23%
Not very strong Democrat .....	11%
Lean Democrat .....	7%
Independent .....	16%
Lean Republican .....	7%
Not very strong Republican .....	12%
Strong Republican .....	19%
Not sure .....	5%
Don't know .....	0%
<b>49. Are you... ?</b>	
Male .....	48%
Female .....	52%
<b>50. Respondent age by category</b>	
Under 30 .....	21%
30-44 .....	24%
45-64 .....	33%
65+ .....	22%
<b>51. What racial or ethnic group best describes you?</b>	
White .....	67%
Black .....	13%
Hispanic .....	13%
Other .....	8%
<b>52. What is the highest level of education you have completed?</b>	
HS or less .....	36%
Some college .....	29%
College grad .....	22%
Postgrad .....	13%

53. What is your marital status?

Married .....	47%
Separated .....	2%
Divorced .....	11%
Widowed .....	4%
Never married .....	33%
Domestic / civil partnership .....	4%

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

Yes .....	26%
No .....	74%

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

*Calculated from respondent's state of residence*

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

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

Under \$50K .....	40%
\$50-100K .....	28%
\$100K or more .....	22%
Prefer not to say .....	10%

57. How important is religion in your life?

Very important .....	37%
Somewhat important .....	25%
Not too important .....	15%
Not at all important .....	22%

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

More than once a week .....	10%
Once a week .....	20%
Once or twice a month .....	7%
A few times a year .....	10%
Seldom .....	20%
Never .....	30%
Don't know .....	3%

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

Yes .....	34%
No .....	66%

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

Several times a day	28%
Once a day	12%
A few times a week	12%
Once a week	3%
A few times a month	6%
Seldom	16%
Never	18%
Don't know	4%

61. What is your present religion, if any?

Protestant	29%
Roman Catholic	22%
Mormon	1%
Eastern or Greek Orthodox	0%
Jewish	3%
Muslim	3%
Buddhist	1%
Hindu	0%
Atheist	7%
Agnostic	6%
Nothing in particular	22%
Something else	7%

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<b>Sponsorship</b>	<i>The Economist</i>
<b>Fieldwork</b>	YouGov
<b>Interviewing Dates</b>	March 26 - 28, 2023
<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>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 prior to June 1, 2022, and is weighted to the estimated distribution at that time (34% Democratic, 31% Republican). The weights range from 0.067 to 6.548, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.747.
<b>Number of respondents</b>	1500 1310 (Registered voters)
<b>Margin of error</b>	± 3.2% (adjusted for weighting) ± 3% (Registered voters)
<b>Survey mode</b>	Web-based interviews
<b>Questions not reported</b>	107 questions not reported.