

The Economist/YouGov Poll

April 13 - 15, 2025 - 1512 U.S. Adult citizens



Sample 1512 U.S. Adult citizens
 Conducted April 13 - 15, 2025
 Margin of Error ±3.4%

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

Generally headed in the right direction	36%
Off on the wrong track	53%
Not sure	12%

2. Do you feel that things in this country these days are:

Under control	30%
Out of control	57%
Not sure	12%

3. 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%	42%	9%	45%	53%	5%
JD Vance	23%	13%	37%	11%	41%	52%	12%
Mike Johnson	10%	17%	27%	11%	29%	40%	33%
John Thune	5%	11%	16%	12%	17%	29%	55%
Chuck Schumer	7%	17%	23%	16%	35%	51%	26%
Hakeem Jeffries	12%	16%	28%	10%	25%	35%	38%

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
Elon Musk	23%	17%	40%	10%	45%	55%	5%

5. How important are the following issues to you?

	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Important	Not very Important	Unimportant	Not Important
Jobs and the economy	74%	23%	97%	2%	1%	3%
Immigration	52%	32%	84%	13%	3%	16%
Climate change and the environment	42%	29%	71%	15%	14%	29%
Foreign policy	50%	38%	88%	10%	2%	12%

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National Security	68%	24%	92%	6%	2%	8%
Education	65%	27%	92%	6%	2%	8%
Health care	75%	21%	96%	3%	1%	4%
Taxes and government spending	68%	26%	93%	6%	1%	7%
Abortion	45%	28%	73%	17%	10%	27%
Civil rights	57%	30%	87%	9%	4%	13%
Civil liberties	54%	34%	88%	9%	3%	12%
Guns	50%	30%	81%	14%	6%	19%
Crime	63%	30%	93%	6%	1%	7%
Criminal justice reform	45%	38%	83%	13%	4%	17%
Inflation/prices	79%	19%	98%	1%	1%	2%

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

Inflation/prices	25%
Jobs and the economy	13%
Health care	11%
Taxes and government spending	8%
Immigration	8%
Climate change and the environment	7%
Civil rights	6%
National Security	5%
Civil liberties	5%
Abortion	3%
Education	3%
Guns	2%
Crime	2%
Foreign policy	1%
Criminal justice reform	1%

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

Strongly approve	26%
Somewhat approve	16%
Approve	42%
Somewhat disapprove	11%
Strongly disapprove	41%
Disapprove	52%
Not sure	6%

8. 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	28%	15%	42%	11%	38%	49%	8%
Climate change and the environment	20%	15%	35%	9%	37%	45%	19%
Health care	21%	16%	37%	10%	37%	47%	15%
Taxes and government spending	29%	15%	44%	9%	39%	47%	9%
Abortion	20%	17%	37%	7%	36%	43%	20%
Guns	24%	14%	38%	9%	32%	41%	21%
Crime	28%	18%	45%	10%	31%	41%	14%
Inflation/prices	22%	15%	37%	11%	44%	55%	8%

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

Strongly approve	5%
Somewhat approve	19%
Approve	24%
Neither approve nor disapprove	19%
Somewhat disapprove	16%
Strongly disapprove	32%
Disapprove	48%
Not sure	9%

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

Strongly approve	8%
Somewhat approve	29%
Approve	38%
Somewhat disapprove	22%
Strongly disapprove	23%
Disapprove	45%
Not sure	18%

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

A lot	27%
Some	14%
Not much	12%
Doesn't care at all	43%
Not sure	5%

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

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

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

Getting better	25%
About the same	19%
Getting worse	52%
Not sure	4%

14. Do you personally (or jointly with a spouse), have any money invested in the stock market right now, either in an individual stock or in a mutual fund?

Yes	42%
No	58%

15. Have you taken any money out of the stock market or mutual funds as a result of tariffs imposed this year?

Yes	7%
No	91%
Not sure	2%

16. When did you most recently take any money out of the stock market or mutual funds as a result of tariffs imposed this year?

Among people who took money out of the stock market or mutual funds as a result of tariffs imposed this year

April	27%
March	23%
February	23%
January	15%
Last year	9%
Not sure	3%

17. Around what percentage of your total portfolio did you take out of the stock market or mutual funds as a result of tariffs imposed this year?

Among people who took money out of the stock market or mutual funds as a result of tariffs imposed this year

Less than 5%	5%
5 - 10%	12%
11 - 20%	11%
21 - 30%	15%
31 - 40%	14%
41 - 50%	7%
51 - 60%	3%
61 - 70%	2%
71 - 80%	0%
81 - 90%	3%
91 - 100%	20%
Not sure	7%

18. To what extent, if at all, does it matter to you what happens in the stock market?

A great deal	29%
Somewhat	36%
Not much	16%
Not at all	13%
Not sure	6%

19. How would you describe the current state of the stock market?

Excellent	4%
Good	17%
Fair	28%
Poor	34%
Don't know	18%

20. How responsible, or not responsible, is Donald Trump for the stock market?

Very responsible	39%
Somewhat responsible	29%
Not very responsible	11%
Not at all responsible	7%
Not sure	15%

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	45%
Worse off financially than you were a year ago	35%
Not sure	5%

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

Better off financially	33%
Just about the same as now	25%
Worse off financially	29%
Not sure	13%

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

Strongly approve	25%
Somewhat approve	13%
Approve	38%
Somewhat disapprove	13%
Strongly disapprove	41%
Disapprove	54%
Not sure	8%

24. Which comes closer to your view on tariffs imposed by Donald Trump?

They may cause short-term economic pain, but they lead to long-term economic growth	38%
They are harmful to the economy and consumers, with no real long-term benefits	48%
Not sure	13%

25. 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	44%
Increase slightly	31%
No effect	7%
Decrease slightly	3%
Decrease a lot	3%
Not sure	11%

26. 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	22%
No	57%
Not sure	20%

27. 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	28%
No	51%
Not sure	21%

28. Which of the following taxes, if any, do you pay? Check all that apply.

Federal income tax	68%
Social security tax	55%
Medicare tax	40%
State or local income taxes	60%
Property taxes	52%
Sales tax	71%
None of these	12%

29. Do you receive any of the following government benefits? Check all that apply.

Medicare	31%
Medicaid	16%
Food stamps	15%
Emergency Food Assistance (TEFAP)	1%
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)	2%
Public Housing Assistance	4%
Social Security retirement benefits	24%
Supplemental Security Income (SSI)	7%
Unemployment insurance	1%
None of these	47%

30. Over your lifetime, do you think you will pay more or less to the government in taxes than you will receive in benefits?

Pay more in taxes than will receive in benefits	51%
About the same	20%
Pay less in taxes than will receive in benefits	10%
Not sure	20%

31. Do you think the following groups pay too much, too little, or about the right amount of tax?

	Too much	About the right amount	Too little	Not sure
The wealthy	9%	17%	65%	9%
The middle class	59%	29%	5%	8%
The poor	53%	26%	9%	12%

32. How concerned are you about the size of the federal budget deficit?

Very concerned	36%
Somewhat concerned	35%
Not very concerned	11%
Not at all concerned	4%
Not sure	15%

33. Which, if any of the following do you think should be done to reduce the federal budget deficit? Select all that apply.

Raise taxes	22%
Reduce government spending	74%
None of the above	15%

34. From what you know about it, do you support or oppose President Trump's proposed budget?

Strongly support	18%
Somewhat support	17%
Support	35%
Somewhat oppose	11%
Strongly oppose	31%
Oppose	42%
No opinion	23%

35. From what you know about it now, do you think the following groups will pay more or less under the new tax plan?

	Pay more	Pay about the same	Pay less	Not sure
The wealthy	15%	23%	47%	15%
The middle class	37%	30%	15%	18%
The poor	39%	26%	16%	19%

36. From what you know about it, if the Trump administration's proposed budget is adopted do you think your taxes will increase, decrease, or stay the same?

Increase a lot	19%
Increase some	23%
Stay about the same	21%
Decrease some	12%
Decrease a lot	3%
Not sure	21%

37. From what you know about it, if the Trump administration's proposed budget is adopted will you and your immediate family receive more benefits, fewer benefits, or the same amount of benefits from the federal government?

Receive more benefits	6%
Receive about the same amount of benefits	34%
Receive fewer benefits	34%
Not sure	25%

38. From what you know about it, if the Trump administration's proposed budget is adopted will you and your immediate family be helped or hurt, or will it not have much impact on you?

Helped a lot	5%
Helped some	9%
It will not have much impact on you	25%
Hurt some	21%
Hurt a lot	20%
Not sure	21%

39. Do you feel like you made the right choice in the presidential election, or do you regret your vote?

Among people who voted for president in 2024

Made the right choice	91%
Regret my vote	3%
Not sure	6%

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

Very liberal	10%
Liberal	18%
Total Liberal	29%
Moderate	31%
Conservative	19%
Very conservative	12%
Total Conservative	31%
Not sure	9%

41. Are you registered to vote?

Registered	73%
Not registered	27%

42. 2024 Presidential Vote

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

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

Democrat	31%
Republican	33%
Independent	27%
Other	4%
Not sure	6%

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

Calculated based on a series of questions about party identification

Strong Democrat	19%
Not very strong Democrat	12%
Lean Democrat	9%
Independent	17%
Lean Republican	7%
Not very strong Republican	13%
Strong Republican	19%
Not sure	3%
Don't know	0%

45. Do you identify as a MAGA Republican?

Asked of Republicans

Yes	47%
No	44%
Not sure	9%

46. Are you... ?

Male	49%
Female	51%

47. Respondent age by category

Under 30	20%
30-44	24%
45-64	33%
65+	22%

48. What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

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

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	42%
Separated	2%
Divorced	14%
Widowed	5%
Never married	32%
Domestic / civil partnership	6%

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

Yes	22%
No	78%

52. Census Region

Calculated from respondent's state of residence

Northeast	16%
Midwest	22%
South	39%
West	23%

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

Under \$50K	40%
\$50-100K	29%
\$100K or more	21%
Prefer not to say	11%

54. 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	14%
Seldom	23%
Never	33%
Don't know	2%

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

Yes	27%
No	73%

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

Several times a day	23%
Once a day	15%
A few times a week	12%
Once a week	3%
A few times a month	8%
Seldom	16%
Never	20%
Don't know	3%

57. What is your present religion, if any?

Protestant	28%
Roman Catholic	22%
Mormon	1%
Eastern or Greek Orthodox	0%
Jewish	3%
Muslim	1%
Buddhist	1%
Hindu	0%
Atheist	5%
Agnostic	7%
Nothing in particular	24%
Something else	9%

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Sponsorship	<i>The Economist</i>
Fieldwork	YouGov
Interviewing Dates	April 13 - 15, 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	1,759 started the survey after screenouts. 111 were deleted due to breakoffs, 11 were removed for interview completion time under 5 minutes, 5 were removed for attention check failures, and 119 were removed for data quality control. The reporting is based on the remaining 1,512 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 6.527, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.921.
Number of respondents	1512 1329 (Registered voters)
Margin of error	± 3.4% (adjusted for weighting) ± 3.3% (Registered voters)
Survey mode	Web-based interviews
Questions not reported	0 questions not reported.