

# The Economist/YouGov Poll

June 24 - 27, 2023 - 1500 U.S. Adult citizens



Sample 1500 U.S. Adult citizens  
 Conducted June 24 - 27, 2023  
 Margin of Error ±3%

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

Generally headed in the right direction	21%
Off on the wrong track	66%
Not sure	13%

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

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know
Will Hurd	3%	9%	6%	7%	75%
Adam Schiff	13%	13%	6%	29%	40%
Hunter Biden	4%	10%	20%	46%	20%
George Santos	3%	8%	13%	43%	33%
Lauren Boebert	8%	12%	7%	30%	43%
Marjorie Taylor Greene	11%	14%	8%	35%	32%
Rick Scott	9%	17%	9%	20%	46%
Ron DeSantis	17%	21%	10%	35%	17%
Donald Trump	23%	20%	9%	46%	3%

## 3. How important are the following issues to you?

	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not very Important	Unimportant
Jobs and the economy	74%	23%	3%	1%
Immigration	53%	32%	11%	4%
Climate change and the environment	46%	26%	15%	13%
Foreign policy	44%	44%	10%	3%
National Security	67%	26%	6%	1%
Education	64%	27%	6%	3%
Health care	70%	24%	6%	1%
Taxes and government spending	65%	27%	6%	2%
Abortion	52%	25%	15%	8%
Civil rights	58%	28%	9%	5%
Civil liberties	59%	31%	7%	4%
Guns	57%	25%	11%	7%
Crime	63%	28%	7%	2%
Criminal justice reform	51%	33%	12%	4%
Inflation/prices	74%	21%	4%	1%

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

Inflation/prices	17%
Health care	12%
Jobs and the economy	11%
Climate change and the environment	10%
Taxes and government spending	7%
Abortion	7%
Immigration	7%
National Security	6%
Civil rights	6%
Guns	5%
Education	4%
Crime	3%
Civil liberties	2%
Foreign policy	1%
Criminal justice reform	1%

5. 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	13%
Strongly disapprove	42%
<b>Disapprove</b>	<b>55%</b>
Not sure	6%

6. 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%	21%	<b>38%</b>	13%	39%	<b>52%</b>	10%
Immigration	8%	23%	<b>31%</b>	15%	42%	<b>57%</b>	12%
Climate change and the environment	13%	25%	<b>38%</b>	13%	34%	<b>47%</b>	15%
Foreign policy	16%	22%	<b>37%</b>	12%	36%	<b>48%</b>	14%
National Security	16%	23%	<b>39%</b>	11%	37%	<b>48%</b>	13%
Guns	12%	20%	<b>33%</b>	16%	38%	<b>54%</b>	13%
Crime	12%	21%	<b>33%</b>	14%	39%	<b>54%</b>	13%
Inflation/prices	11%	18%	<b>29%</b>	13%	48%	<b>61%</b>	10%

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

Strongly approve	2%
Somewhat approve	12%
Neither approve nor disapprove	18%
Somewhat disapprove	29%
Strongly disapprove	31%
Not sure	8%

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

Strongly approve	10%
Somewhat approve	24%
Somewhat disapprove	21%
Strongly disapprove	29%
Not sure	15%

9. If the election for president were held today with a Democratic Party candidate running against a Republican Party candidate, who would you vote for?

*Asked of registered voters*

The Democratic Party candidate	40%
The Republican Party candidate	37%
It depends	20%
I would not vote	3%

10. 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	41%
The Republican Party candidate	40%
Other	2%
Not sure	14%
I would not vote	4%

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

Very liberal	3%
Liberal	7%
Moderate	27%
Conservative	26%
Very conservative	17%
Not sure	20%

12. 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	16%	26%	<b>42%</b>	15%	37%	<b>52%</b>	6%
The Republican Party	12%	28%	<b>40%</b>	17%	37%	<b>54%</b>	6%

13. Would you say Joe Biden is...

Very liberal	32%
Liberal	23%
Moderate	24%
Conservative	5%
Very conservative	2%
Not sure	13%

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

Very strong	12%
Somewhat strong	24%
Somewhat weak	21%
Very weak	43%

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

A lot	20%
Some	23%
Not much	14%
Doesn't care at all	38%
Not sure	5%

16. Regardless of whether you agree with him, do you like or dislike Joe Biden as a person?

Like a lot	18%
Like somewhat	18%
Neither like nor dislike	19%
Dislike somewhat	10%
Dislike a lot	29%
Not sure	5%

**17. Would you say Donald Trump is...**

Very liberal .....	4%
Liberal .....	4%
Moderate .....	15%
Conservative .....	30%
Very conservative .....	26%
Not sure .....	21%

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

Very strong .....	31%
Somewhat strong .....	24%
Somewhat weak .....	11%
Very weak .....	33%

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

A lot .....	25%
Some .....	17%
Not much .....	10%
Doesn't care at all .....	44%
Not sure .....	4%

**20. Regardless of whether you agree with him, do you like or dislike Donald Trump as a person?**

Like a lot .....	15%
Like somewhat .....	15%
Neither like nor dislike .....	15%
Dislike somewhat .....	9%
Dislike a lot .....	43%
Not sure .....	3%

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

Yes .....	22%
No .....	63%
Not sure .....	16%

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

Yes .....	33%
No .....	57%
Not sure .....	10%

**23. Do you want Ron DeSantis to run for president in 2024?**

Yes .....	20%
No .....	51%
Not sure .....	29%

<b>24. If you had to choose, who would you rather see as the Republican nominee for president in 2024?</b>	
Donald Trump .....	30%
Ron DeSantis .....	18%
Someone else .....	21%
Not sure .....	30%
<b>25. If an election for president were going to be held now and the Democratic nominee was Joe Biden and the Republican nominee was Donald Trump, would you vote for...</b>	
Joe Biden .....	38%
Donald Trump .....	41%
Other .....	5%
Not sure .....	5%
I would not vote .....	11%
<b>26. 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?</b>	
Joe Biden .....	39%
Donald Trump .....	41%
Not sure .....	21%
<b>27. Would you say that Joe Biden legitimately won the 2020 election, or not?</b>	
Biden legitimately won the election .....	65%
Biden did NOT legitimately win the election .....	35%
<b>28. If you had to choose, would you rather have a president who...</b>	
Compromises to get things done. ....	55%
Sticks to their principles, no matter what. ....	45%
<b>29. If you had to choose, would you rather have a member of Congress who...</b>	
Compromises to get things done. ....	59%
Sticks to their principles, no matter what. ....	41%
<b>30. Which comes closest to your view?</b>	
Our lives are threatened by terrorists, criminals, and illegal immigrants and our priority should be to protect ourselves. ....	37%
It's a big, beautiful world, mostly full of good people, and we must find a way to embrace each other and not allow ourselves to become isolated. ....	47%
Not sure .....	16%
<b>31. Do you feel that things in this country these days are:</b>	
Under control .....	13%
Out of control .....	71%
Not sure .....	16%

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

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know
Joe Biden	20%	23%	12%	43%	3%
Kamala Harris	15%	23%	12%	42%	8%
Kevin McCarthy	8%	22%	14%	27%	30%
Mitch McConnell	3%	14%	22%	40%	21%
Chuck Schumer	11%	19%	10%	32%	28%
Hakeem Jeffries	13%	13%	6%	20%	48%

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

Getting better	16%
About the same	25%
Getting worse	53%
Not sure	7%

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

Better off financially than you were a year ago	13%
About the same financially as you were a year ago	39%
Worse off financially than you were a year ago	43%
Not sure	4%

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

Full-time	36%
Part-time	12%
Temporarily laid off	1%
Unemployed	10%
Retired	21%
Permanently disabled	8%
Homemaker	6%
Student	4%
Other	2%

36. Are you currently enrolled as a student?

Full-time student	6%
Part-time student	4%
Not a student	91%

37. Do you have a job outside of school?

*Asked of students*

Full-time job .....	4%
Part-time job .....	34%
No job outside of school .....	62%

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

	Ally	Friendly	Unfriendly	Enemy	Not sure
Russia	1%	5%	24%	58%	11%
Ukraine	31%	37%	8%	6%	18%
China	2%	9%	33%	43%	14%

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

Russia .....	16%
Ukraine .....	28%
Neither .....	34%
Not sure .....	22%

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

Russia .....	21%
Ukraine .....	33%
Equally likely .....	13%
Not sure .....	34%

41. Do you favor the U.S. increasing, decreasing, or maintaining the same amount of military aid to Ukraine?

Increasing military aid to Ukraine .....	25%
Decreasing military aid to Ukraine .....	26%
Maintaining the same amount of military aid to Ukraine .....	28%
Not sure .....	20%

42. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of Vladimir Putin?

Very favorable .....	3%
Somewhat favorable .....	8%
Somewhat unfavorable .....	12%
Very unfavorable .....	65%
Don't know .....	13%

43. Would you say Vladimir Putin is a strong or a weak leader?

Very strong .....	25%
Somewhat strong .....	38%
Somewhat weak .....	20%
Very weak .....	18%



44. A year from now, do you think Vladimir Putin will still be the president of Russia?

Yes .....	32%
No .....	26%
Not sure .....	42%

45. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of Volodymyr Zelensky?

Very favorable .....	27%
Somewhat favorable .....	25%
Somewhat unfavorable .....	8%
Very unfavorable .....	10%
Don't know .....	29%

46. Would you say Volodymyr Zelensky is a strong or a weak leader?

Very strong .....	40%
Somewhat strong .....	36%
Somewhat weak .....	15%
Very weak .....	9%

47. A year from now, do you think Volodymyr Zelensky will still be the president of Ukraine?

Yes .....	53%
No .....	11%
Not sure .....	37%

48. How much have you heard about Yevgeny Prigozhin, head of the Wagner mercenary group, leading an attempted coup against the government of Russia?

A lot .....	20%
A little .....	42%
Nothing at all .....	38%

49. In your opinion, how often do children of U.S. presidents get away with things that other people do not because of their parents' job?

Always .....	36%
Sometimes .....	42%
Rarely .....	8%
Never .....	2%
Not sure .....	12%

50. How much have you heard in the news recently about Hunter Biden pleading guilty to two federal tax charges and avoiding prosecution for a gun charge in a deal with the Justice Department?

A lot .....	36%
A little .....	42%
Nothing at all .....	21%

51. Has the Justice Department investigation into Hunter Biden been fair or unfair?

Fair .....	35%
Unfair .....	29%
Not sure .....	36%

52. Compared to other wealthy countries, do you think that the quality of K-12 public education in the United States is...?

The best .....	2%
Above average .....	9%
About average .....	21%
Below average .....	49%
The worst .....	12%
Not sure .....	8%

53. Do you think K-12 public education in the United States today is better or worse than it was 10 years ago?

Better .....	11%
About the same .....	19%
Worse .....	60%
Not sure .....	10%

54. Do you think K-12 public education in the United States today is better or worse than it was 30 years ago?

Better .....	21%
About the same .....	11%
Worse .....	54%
Not sure .....	13%

55. According to data released last week, the math and reading performance of 13-year-olds in the United States has hit the lowest level in decades. How much blame do you think each of the following deserves for these low scores?

	A lot of blame	A little blame	No blame
Parents of students	45%	46%	9%
Students	30%	46%	24%
Teachers	30%	47%	23%
School administrators	52%	41%	8%
State boards of education	63%	31%	6%
The U.S. Department of Education	59%	34%	7%

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

Yes .....	23%
No .....	77%

57. Are you the parent or guardian of one or more children in grades K-12?

*Asked of parents of children under 18*

Yes .....	78%
No .....	22%

58. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the following group?

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Not sure
Black Lives Matter	22%	22%	11%	37%	8%
The American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU)	19%	22%	13%	18%	27%
Antifa	7%	10%	8%	44%	32%
The Proud Boys	3%	11%	9%	47%	30%
Moms for Liberty	11%	14%	4%	19%	53%
Oath Keepers	5%	12%	6%	35%	42%

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

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Not sure
Brett Kavanaugh	12%	19%	14%	23%	33%
Neil Gorsuch	10%	17%	11%	12%	50%
Elena Kagan	13%	15%	10%	9%	53%
Sonia Sotomayor	20%	17%	10%	13%	40%
Samuel Alito	12%	16%	8%	18%	47%
John Roberts	6%	24%	17%	10%	43%
Amy Coney Barrett	12%	19%	9%	20%	39%
Clarence Thomas	18%	14%	10%	28%	30%
Ketanji Brown Jackson	18%	17%	8%	14%	43%

60. How much have you heard about Supreme Court Justice Samuel Alito accepting a luxury trip from an American hedge fund manager without including it on his financial disclosures?

A lot .....	18%
A little .....	34%
Nothing at all .....	47%

61. Do you approve or disapprove of Justice Alito accepting a luxury trip without disclosing it?

Strongly approve .....	5%
Somewhat approve .....	10%
Somewhat disapprove .....	16%
Strongly disapprove .....	45%
Not sure .....	24%

62. Considering the risks, and if money were no object, would you want to... ?

	Definitely would	Probably would	Probably would not	Definitely would not	Not sure
Take a submarine to the ocean floor	5%	8%	11%	71%	5%
Go skydiving	11%	17%	19%	49%	5%
Climb Mt. Everest	6%	11%	20%	58%	5%
Take a rocket ship to space	9%	16%	17%	52%	5%

63. How much, if anything, have you heard in the news about the deaths of five passengers while on a submarine to view the wreckage of the Titanic on the ocean floor?

A lot	68%
A little	26%
Nothing at all	6%

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

Very liberal	11%
Liberal	17%
Moderate	29%
Conservative	22%
Very conservative	12%
Not sure	10%

65. Are you registered to vote?

Registered	85%
Not registered	15%

66. 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	33%

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

Democrat	33%
Independent	36%
Republican	30%

**68. Political Party Identification**

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

Strong Democrat .....	22%
Not very strong Democrat .....	11%
Lean Democrat .....	8%
Independent .....	16%
Lean Republican .....	9%
Not very strong Republican .....	10%
Strong Republican .....	20%
Not sure .....	3%
Don't know .....	0%

**69. Are you... ?**

Male .....	49%
Female .....	51%

**70. Respondent age by category**

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

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

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

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

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

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

Married .....	43%
Separated .....	3%
Divorced .....	10%
Widowed .....	5%
Never married .....	33%
Domestic / civil partnership .....	6%

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

*Calculated from respondent's state of residence*

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

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

Under \$50K .....	40%
\$50-100K .....	28%
\$100K or more .....	20%
Prefer not to say .....	12%

76. How important is religion in your life?

Very important .....	36%
Somewhat important .....	25%
Not too important .....	17%
Not at all important .....	23%

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

More than once a week .....	7%
Once a week .....	15%
Once or twice a month .....	6%
A few times a year .....	13%
Seldom .....	23%
Never .....	33%
Don't know .....	3%

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

Yes .....	32%
No .....	68%

79. 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 .....	13%
A few times a week .....	12%
Once a week .....	3%
A few times a month .....	6%
Seldom .....	15%
Never .....	20%
Don't know .....	4%

80. What is your present religion, if any?

Protestant .....	30%
Roman Catholic .....	19%
Mormon .....	1%
Eastern or Greek Orthodox .....	1%
Jewish .....	2%
Muslim .....	1%
Buddhist .....	1%
Hindu .....	0%
Atheist .....	6%
Agnostic .....	6%
Nothing in particular .....	22%
Something else .....	11%

<b>Sponsorship</b>	<i>The Economist</i>
<b>Fieldwork</b>	YouGov
<b>Interviewing Dates</b>	June 24 - 27, 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 November 1, 2022, and is weighted to the estimated distribution at that time (33% Democratic, 31% Republican). The weights range from 0.185 to 6.321, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.661.
<b>Number of respondents</b>	1500 1315 (Registered voters)
<b>Margin of error</b>	± 3% (adjusted for weighting) ± 3.2% (Registered voters)
<b>Survey mode</b>	Web-based interviews
<b>Questions not reported</b>	39 questions not reported.