

CBS News Poll – March 17-20, 2026

Adults in the U.S.



Sample 3,335 Adults in the U.S.
 Margin of Error ±2.1 points

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

Approve 40%
 Disapprove 60%

2. Do you strongly [approve/disapprove] or somewhat [approve/disapprove]?

Strongly approve 24%
 Somewhat approve 16%
 Somewhat disapprove 11%
 Strongly disapprove 49%

3. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling...

	Approve	Disapprove
The economy	36%	64%
Inflation	33%	67%
Immigration	45%	55%

4. Generally speaking, do you feel things in America today are going...

Very well 9%
 Somewhat well 25%
 Somewhat badly 25%
 Very badly 41%

5. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling the situation with Iran?

Approve 38%
 Disapprove 62%

6. How would you rate the condition of the national economy today?

Very good 6%
 Fairly good 27%
 Fairly bad 30%
 Very bad 31%
 Not sure 5%

7. As you and your family plan for the next year, are you doing so expecting the U.S. economy to be...

Booming 7%
 Growing, but not booming 15%
 Holding steady 20%
 Slowing, but not in recession 26%
 In recession 32%

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8. Do you think Donald Trump's policies are making you...

Financially better off	18%
Financially worse off	53%
Stay about the same	29%

9. In the last few weeks, have prices on the goods and services you buy been...

Going up	72%
Going down	5%
Staying the same	22%

10. Do you think the Trump administration is focused too much or too little on...

	Too much	Too little	Right amount
International matters	58%	11%	31%
U.S. domestic matters	11%	60%	29%

11. Do you approve or disapprove of the Trump administration's program to find and deport immigrants who are in the U.S. illegally?

Approve	49%
Disapprove	51%

12. Do you feel that ICE's operations in the U.S. need to be...

Increased	25%
Decreased	54%
Not changed either way	21%

13. How closely have you been following news about the debate in Washington, DC over the partial government shutdown?

Very closely	20%
Somewhat closely	35%
Not too closely	27%
Not at all closely	18%

14. In the current congressional debate concerning ICE and funding for the Department of Homeland Security, are congressional Democrats' positions...?

Worth having a partial shutdown for	31%
Not worth having a partial shutdown for	36%
Not sure of their positions	33%

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15. In the current congressional debate concerning ICE and funding for the Department of Homeland Security, are congressional Republicans' positions...?

- Worth having a partial shutdown for 23%
- Not worth having a partial shutdown for 42%
- Not sure of their positions 35%

16. Do you approve or disapprove of the U.S. taking military action against Iran?

- Approve 40%
- Disapprove 60%

17. What is your impression of how the military conflict with Iran is going for the United States right now?

- Very well 17%
- Somewhat well 26%
- Somewhat badly 29%
- Very badly 28%

18. So far, do you think the Trump administration has clearly explained what the U.S. goals are in taking military action against Iran, or haven't they done that yet?

- Clearly explained 32%
- Not done that yet 68%

19. How much confidence do you have in Donald Trump to make the right decisions regarding the U.S. military conflict with Iran?

- A lot 24%
- Some 18%
- Not much 18%
- None 40%

20. Is it important or not important for the U.S. to do these things regarding Iran now?

	Important	Not important
Stop Iran from threatening other countries	68%	32%
Permanently stop Iran's nuclear programs	73%	27%
Change Iran's leaders to ones that are pro- U.S.	49%	51%
Make sure Iran's people are safe and free	80%	20%
End the conflict as quickly as possible	92%	8%

21. Would it be acceptable or not acceptable if the U.S. military conflict with Iran ends with Iran's current leadership and regime still in power?

- Acceptable 47%
- Not acceptable 53%

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22. Do you think the U.S. military conflict with Iran will make the U.S....

	Safer	Less safe	No difference
In the short term	27%	49%	24%
In the long term	36%	42%	22%

23. Do you think the U.S. military conflict with Iran will make the U.S. economy....

	Stronger	Weaker	No difference
In the short term	15%	63%	22%
In the long term	30%	44%	25%

24. How much do you think the U.S. military conflict with Iran will personally impact people like you...

	A lot	Some	Not much/Not at all
In the short term	29%	42%	28%
In the long term	31%	38%	31%

25. How much longer do you think the U.S. military conflict with Iran will probably last?

Days	1%
Weeks	18%
Months	37%
Years	14%
Not sure	30%

26. During the military conflict, do you think the U.S. will probably need to send ground troops into Iran, or not?

Will need to send	47%
Will not need to send	53%

27. Which comes closer to your view? Would you describe the current U.S. military conflict with Iran as a war of necessity or as a war of choice?

Necessity	34%
Choice	66%

28. On matters related to Iran, compared to what he promised in the 2024 campaign, do you feel Donald Trump so far is doing...

The same things he promised in the campaign	37%
Different things from what he promised in the campaign	63%

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29. As a result of the U.S. taking military action against Iran, do you think Donald Trump is making the United States' position in the world...

Stronger	35%
Weaker	49%
Not having much effect	16%

30. In the last few weeks, have gas prices in your area been...

Going up	85%
Going down	2%
Staying the same	6%
Not sure/don't buy gas	7%

31. Do you think the U.S. military conflict with Iran will make U.S. oil and gas prices....

	Higher	Lower	No impact
In the short term	90%	4%	6%
In the long term	58%	27%	15%

32. Do you think Americans should be willing, or not willing, to pay more for gas during the U.S. military conflict with Iran?

Willing	33%
Not willing	67%

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1. Trump Job Approval (2 Categories)

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

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Approve	40%	46%	36%	40%	33%	43%	45%	6%	33%	82%
Disapprove	60%	54%	64%	60%	67%	57%	55%	94%	67%	18%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,332)	(1,621)	(1,711)	(698)	(841)	(1,086)	(707)	(936)	(1,025)	(1,002)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Approve	40%	5%	31%	88%	47%	18%	38%	52%	38%
Disapprove	60%	95%	69%	12%	53%	82%	62%	48%	62%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,332)	(963)	(1,150)	(993)	(2,095)	(414)	(534)	(1,299)	(795)

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2. Trump Job Approval (4 Categories)

Do you strongly [approve/disapprove] or somewhat [approve/disapprove]?

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Strongly approve	24%	28%	20%	23%	17%	26%	29%	3%	14%	58%
Somewhat approve	16%	17%	15%	17%	16%	17%	15%	3%	19%	24%
Somewhat disapprove	11%	10%	12%	11%	16%	9%	6%	6%	16%	6%
Strongly disapprove	49%	45%	53%	49%	50%	47%	49%	87%	51%	12%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	99%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,332)	(1,621)	(1,711)	(698)	(841)	(1,086)	(707)	(936)	(1,025)	(1,002)

	Party ID			Race			White by Education		
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Strongly approve	24%	2%	14%	61%	28%	9%	23%	32%	22%
Somewhat approve	16%	2%	17%	27%	18%	9%	14%	20%	15%
Somewhat disapprove	11%	8%	14%	7%	10%	12%	11%	10%	9%
Strongly disapprove	49%	87%	55%	5%	44%	70%	51%	38%	53%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%
Weighted N	(3,332)	(963)	(1,150)	(993)	(2,095)	(414)	(534)	(1,299)	(795)

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3A. Trump Issue Approval — The economy

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Approve	36%	41%	31%	40%	29%	36%	40%	7%	30%	74%
Disapprove	64%	59%	69%	60%	71%	64%	60%	93%	70%	26%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,329)	(1,619)	(1,709)	(698)	(841)	(1,086)	(704)	(934)	(1,026)	(999)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Approve	36%	5%	26%	79%	42%	14%	33%	46%	35%
Disapprove	64%	95%	74%	21%	58%	86%	67%	54%	65%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,329)	(962)	(1,151)	(990)	(2,092)	(414)	(534)	(1,297)	(795)

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3B. Trump Issue Approval — Inflation

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Approve	33%	38%	28%	34%	27%	34%	37%	5%	25%	70%
Disapprove	67%	62%	72%	66%	73%	66%	63%	95%	75%	30%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,332)	(1,620)	(1,712)	(698)	(841)	(1,087)	(706)	(935)	(1,025)	(1,002)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Approve	33%	4%	23%	74%	38%	13%	31%	42%	32%
Disapprove	67%	96%	77%	26%	62%	87%	69%	58%	68%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,332)	(963)	(1,150)	(993)	(2,094)	(414)	(535)	(1,300)	(795)

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3C. Trump Issue Approval — Immigration

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Approve	45%	50%	39%	39%	39%	49%	51%	9%	40%	87%
Disapprove	55%	50%	61%	61%	61%	51%	49%	91%	60%	13%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,333)	(1,621)	(1,712)	(696)	(841)	(1,089)	(706)	(935)	(1,026)	(1,003)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Approve	45%	9%	37%	91%	53%	18%	39%	58%	44%
Disapprove	55%	91%	63%	9%	47%	82%	61%	42%	56%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,333)	(963)	(1,151)	(993)	(2,096)	(415)	(534)	(1,299)	(796)

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4. Things in America

Generally speaking, do you feel things in America today are going...

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very well	9%	12%	7%	13%	4%	9%	11%	2%	6%	22%
Somewhat well	25%	28%	22%	21%	26%	26%	27%	6%	21%	48%
Somewhat badly	25%	26%	24%	26%	29%	23%	21%	20%	33%	19%
Very badly	41%	34%	47%	40%	41%	42%	41%	72%	40%	11%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,333)	(1,622)	(1,710)	(698)	(841)	(1,088)	(706)	(935)	(1,024)	(1,003)

	Party ID			Race			White by Education		
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Very well	9%	1%	5%	23%	10%	7%	8%	11%	9%
Somewhat well	25%	6%	20%	50%	29%	12%	24%	30%	26%
Somewhat badly	25%	22%	29%	20%	24%	27%	24%	25%	23%
Very badly	41%	71%	45%	6%	37%	54%	44%	34%	42%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,333)	(962)	(1,150)	(994)	(2,096)	(413)	(534)	(1,300)	(796)

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5. Trump Issue Approval - Iran

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling the situation with Iran?

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Approve	38%	43%	34%	36%	30%	42%	44%	6%	31%	77%
Disapprove	62%	57%	66%	64%	70%	58%	56%	94%	69%	23%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,328)	(1,619)	(1,709)	(695)	(841)	(1,086)	(706)	(935)	(1,021)	(1,002)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Approve	38%	6%	28%	82%	45%	14%	33%	50%	37%
Disapprove	62%	94%	72%	18%	55%	86%	67%	50%	63%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,328)	(964)	(1,148)	(991)	(2,092)	(412)	(534)	(1,297)	(795)

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6. Condition of National Economy

How would you rate the condition of the national economy today?

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very good	6%	8%	5%	10%	3%	5%	8%	2%	4%	14%
Fairly good	27%	31%	22%	25%	24%	28%	30%	7%	24%	52%
Fairly bad	30%	30%	31%	27%	35%	30%	28%	39%	36%	19%
Very bad	31%	27%	35%	30%	33%	31%	30%	49%	30%	11%
Not sure	5%	4%	7%	8%	5%	5%	3%	3%	6%	4%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,332)	(1,621)	(1,711)	(698)	(841)	(1,088)	(706)	(936)	(1,024)	(1,002)

	Party ID			Race			White by Education		
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Very good	6%	1%	4%	15%	7%	5%	7%	8%	6%
Fairly good	27%	8%	20%	54%	31%	13%	23%	31%	31%
Fairly bad	30%	37%	34%	20%	31%	30%	28%	29%	34%
Very bad	31%	51%	35%	7%	27%	46%	35%	27%	26%
Not sure	5%	3%	7%	4%	4%	6%	7%	5%	3%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,332)	(964)	(1,149)	(993)	(2,094)	(415)	(535)	(1,297)	(796)

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7. Expectations for U.S. Economy

As you and your family plan for the next year, are you doing so expecting the U.S. economy to be...

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Booming	7%	9%	6%	12%	3%	7%	8%	2%	6%	15%
Growing, but not booming	15%	18%	13%	12%	11%	17%	20%	3%	11%	32%
Holding steady	20%	20%	19%	25%	23%	18%	14%	9%	21%	26%
Slowing, but not in recession	26%	26%	26%	24%	28%	25%	26%	31%	30%	16%
In recession	32%	27%	36%	26%	34%	33%	31%	54%	32%	10%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%	99%	99%	100%	99%
Weighted N	(3,327)	(1,622)	(1,705)	(698)	(840)	(1,086)	(703)	(932)	(1,024)	(1,001)

	Party ID			Race			White by Education		
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Booming	7%	2%	5%	17%	7%	10%	9%	7%	7%
Growing, but not booming	15%	3%	11%	32%	18%	5%	13%	20%	16%
Holding steady	20%	9%	19%	29%	21%	17%	19%	23%	18%
Slowing, but not in recession	26%	34%	28%	15%	23%	36%	24%	21%	26%
In recession	32%	52%	36%	7%	31%	32%	35%	29%	33%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,327)	(959)	(1,150)	(992)	(2,093)	(412)	(533)	(1,297)	(795)

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8. Financial Condition with Trump

Do you think Donald Trump's policies are making you...

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Financially better off	18%	22%	15%	21%	15%	19%	18%	3%	13%	42%
Financially worse off	53%	48%	57%	50%	56%	53%	52%	83%	55%	19%
Stay about the same	29%	30%	28%	29%	29%	28%	30%	14%	31%	39%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	(3,326)	(1,617)	(1,709)	(694)	(839)	(1,087)	(706)	(934)	(1,022)	(1,000)

	Party ID			Race			White by Education		
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Financially better off	18%	2%	13%	42%	21%	10%	18%	21%	20%
Financially worse off	53%	85%	60%	13%	48%	68%	56%	45%	53%
Stay about the same	29%	13%	27%	44%	31%	22%	26%	34%	27%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,326)	(964)	(1,147)	(990)	(2,092)	(412)	(534)	(1,298)	(793)

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9. Prices on Goods and Services

In the last few weeks, have prices on the goods and services you buy been...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Going up	72%	69%	75%	67%	75%	72%	74%	89%	74%	53%
Going down	5%	6%	5%	5%	4%	6%	6%	3%	4%	8%
Staying the same	22%	25%	20%	28%	21%	22%	20%	8%	22%	39%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,324)	(1,619)	(1,705)	(696)	(839)	(1,089)	(700)	(932)	(1,021)	(1,001)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Going up	72%	89%	76%	52%	69%	81%	75%	68%	72%
Going down	5%	3%	4%	7%	5%	4%	6%	6%	4%
Staying the same	22%	8%	20%	41%	25%	14%	19%	26%	24%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,324)	(962)	(1,146)	(991)	(2,093)	(409)	(534)	(1,299)	(793)

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10A. Trump Administration Focus — International matters

Do you think the Trump administration is focused too much or too little on...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Too much	58%	55%	62%	59%	67%	54%	54%	80%	64%	33%
Too little	11%	11%	11%	14%	11%	10%	10%	14%	11%	5%
Right amount	31%	34%	27%	27%	22%	36%	36%	6%	25%	62%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,327)	(1,617)	(1,710)	(698)	(841)	(1,084)	(705)	(932)	(1,026)	(1,000)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Too much	58%	81%	66%	29%	55%	68%	62%	51%	60%
Too little	11%	14%	11%	6%	9%	16%	13%	9%	10%
Right amount	31%	5%	23%	65%	36%	16%	25%	39%	30%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	(3,327)	(961)	(1,149)	(991)	(2,091)	(413)	(534)	(1,298)	(793)

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10B. Trump Administration Focus — U.S. domestic matters

Do you think the Trump administration is focused too much or too little on...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Too much	11%	11%	12%	16%	15%	10%	5%	16%	10%	6%
Too little	60%	57%	62%	56%	63%	59%	62%	77%	68%	35%
Right amount	29%	32%	26%	28%	22%	31%	33%	7%	22%	59%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,322)	(1,616)	(1,706)	(697)	(841)	(1,081)	(703)	(932)	(1,023)	(1,000)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Too much	11%	15%	13%	5%	8%	18%	16%	9%	7%
Too little	60%	79%	66%	33%	58%	66%	59%	56%	63%
Right amount	29%	6%	21%	62%	33%	16%	25%	35%	30%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,322)	(959)	(1,146)	(991)	(2,089)	(411)	(533)	(1,294)	(795)

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11. Trump Deportation Program Approval

Do you approve or disapprove of the Trump administration’s program to find and deport immigrants who are in the U.S. illegally?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Approve	49%	55%	43%	40%	44%	55%	54%	11%	46%	90%
Disapprove	51%	45%	57%	60%	56%	45%	46%	89%	54%	10%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,320)	(1,620)	(1,700)	(694)	(837)	(1,083)	(705)	(936)	(1,020)	(1,000)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Approve	49%	12%	43%	93%	56%	26%	41%	62%	46%
Disapprove	51%	88%	57%	7%	44%	74%	59%	38%	54%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,320)	(959)	(1,145)	(993)	(2,091)	(411)	(529)	(1,297)	(794)

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12. ICE Operations Need to Increase or Decrease

Do you feel that ICE's operations in the U.S. need to be...

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Increased	25%	29%	20%	18%	21%	29%	29%	4%	18%	55%
Decreased	54%	49%	59%	61%	58%	50%	50%	90%	58%	15%
Not changed either way	21%	21%	21%	21%	21%	21%	21%	6%	24%	30%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,330)	(1,622)	(1,707)	(695)	(841)	(1,087)	(706)	(935)	(1,025)	(1,000)

	Party ID			Race			White by Education		
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Increased	25%	4%	20%	53%	31%	7%	18%	34%	25%
Decreased	54%	89%	61%	12%	46%	76%	64%	41%	56%
Not changed either way	21%	7%	19%	35%	23%	17%	18%	25%	19%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,330)	(963)	(1,149)	(992)	(2,093)	(415)	(532)	(1,297)	(796)

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13. Following Partial Government Shutdown

How closely have you been following news about the debate in Washington, DC over the partial government shutdown?

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very closely	20%	22%	17%	15%	14%	20%	30%	25%	16%	23%
Somewhat closely	35%	37%	33%	26%	32%	39%	42%	39%	36%	37%
Not too closely	27%	27%	28%	30%	30%	26%	22%	23%	31%	27%
Not at all closely	18%	13%	22%	29%	23%	15%	6%	13%	17%	12%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	(3,333)	(1,621)	(1,712)	(698)	(841)	(1,088)	(706)	(936)	(1,025)	(1,002)

	Party ID				Race			White by Education	
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Very closely	20%	25%	16%	22%	21%	21%	18%	18%	26%
Somewhat closely	35%	39%	36%	36%	37%	35%	27%	33%	44%
Not too closely	27%	24%	28%	28%	26%	25%	30%	28%	22%
Not at all closely	18%	12%	20%	14%	16%	18%	24%	21%	8%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,333)	(964)	(1,151)	(993)	(2,095)	(415)	(535)	(1,299)	(795)

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14. Congressional Democrats’ Position Worth a Partial Shutdown

In the current congressional debate concerning ICE and funding for the Department of Homeland Security, are congressional Democrats’ positions...?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Worth having a partial shutdown for	31%	32%	30%	31%	29%	29%	36%	61%	30%	13%
Not worth having a partial shutdown for	36%	40%	32%	21%	30%	44%	46%	16%	33%	63%
Not sure of their positions	33%	28%	38%	48%	40%	27%	18%	23%	37%	24%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,317)	(1,616)	(1,701)	(695)	(836)	(1,082)	(704)	(932)	(1,023)	(994)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Worth having a partial shutdown for	31%	55%	32%	12%	31%	35%	29%	24%	42%
Not worth having a partial shutdown for	36%	20%	34%	58%	41%	31%	25%	42%	39%
Not sure of their positions	33%	25%	34%	30%	28%	34%	45%	34%	19%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,317)	(962)	(1,148)	(981)	(2,087)	(415)	(529)	(1,293)	(794)

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15. Congressional Republicans' Position Worth a Partial Shutdown

In the current congressional debate concerning ICE and funding for the Department of Homeland Security, are congressional Republicans' positions...?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Worth having a partial shutdown for	23%	27%	19%	17%	19%	25%	30%	22%	18%	33%
Not worth having a partial shutdown for	42%	43%	41%	35%	40%	45%	46%	52%	42%	41%
Not sure of their positions	35%	30%	40%	47%	41%	30%	24%	26%	40%	26%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,325)	(1,620)	(1,705)	(695)	(839)	(1,085)	(706)	(932)	(1,025)	(1,001)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Worth having a partial shutdown for	23%	22%	21%	29%	24%	20%	19%	21%	29%
Not worth having a partial shutdown for	42%	50%	42%	40%	44%	40%	39%	42%	48%
Not sure of their positions	35%	28%	37%	31%	32%	40%	41%	37%	23%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,325)	(960)	(1,151)	(991)	(2,088)	(414)	(533)	(1,294)	(794)

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16. Approve or Disapprove of U.S. Military Action Against Iran

Do you approve or disapprove of the U.S. taking military action against Iran?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Approve	40%	45%	35%	37%	32%	45%	46%	8%	33%	80%
Disapprove	60%	55%	65%	63%	68%	55%	54%	92%	67%	20%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,322)	(1,618)	(1,704)	(697)	(841)	(1,081)	(704)	(935)	(1,022)	(1,000)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Approve	40%	8%	31%	84%	46%	20%	35%	51%	39%
Disapprove	60%	92%	69%	16%	54%	80%	65%	49%	61%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,322)	(963)	(1,147)	(989)	(2,089)	(412)	(534)	(1,295)	(794)

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17. How is the Conflict with Iran Going Right Now

What is your impression of how the military conflict with Iran is going for the United States right now?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very well	17%	23%	11%	11%	11%	21%	25%	2%	11%	42%
Somewhat well	26%	26%	25%	25%	26%	26%	25%	12%	27%	38%
Somewhat badly	29%	26%	32%	31%	33%	27%	27%	34%	36%	13%
Very badly	28%	24%	32%	33%	30%	26%	23%	52%	26%	7%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,316)	(1,615)	(1,700)	(691)	(837)	(1,083)	(705)	(931)	(1,018)	(998)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Very well	17%	2%	11%	41%	21%	8%	13%	23%	18%
Somewhat well	26%	12%	24%	42%	29%	15%	23%	31%	26%
Somewhat badly	29%	36%	34%	14%	26%	39%	33%	24%	27%
Very badly	28%	50%	31%	3%	24%	38%	31%	22%	29%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,316)	(959)	(1,144)	(988)	(2,084)	(410)	(532)	(1,290)	(794)

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18. Goals of Military Action Against Iran Clearly Explained or Not

So far, do you think the Trump administration has clearly explained what the U.S. goals are in taking military action against Iran, or haven't they done that yet?

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Clearly explained	32%	35%	29%	31%	23%	35%	36%	7%	25%	66%
Not done that yet	68%	65%	71%	69%	77%	65%	64%	93%	75%	34%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,325)	(1,617)	(1,708)	(697)	(838)	(1,084)	(706)	(934)	(1,024)	(999)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Clearly explained	32%	7%	24%	68%	36%	16%	31%	40%	30%
Not done that yet	68%	93%	76%	32%	64%	84%	69%	60%	70%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,325)	(963)	(1,148)	(990)	(2,090)	(414)	(533)	(1,297)	(793)

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19. Confidence in Trump’s Decisions Regarding Iran

How much confidence do you have in Donald Trump to make the right decisions regarding the U.S. military conflict with Iran?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A lot	24%	29%	19%	19%	16%	28%	31%	2%	16%	57%
Some	18%	18%	17%	20%	18%	18%	15%	5%	20%	25%
Not much	18%	16%	20%	20%	23%	15%	15%	17%	23%	10%
None	40%	37%	44%	41%	43%	39%	39%	76%	40%	7%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%
Weighted N	(3,330)	(1,621)	(1,709)	(695)	(841)	(1,088)	(706)	(935)	(1,025)	(1,002)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
A lot	24%	2%	15%	59%	28%	9%	21%	32%	22%
Some	18%	5%	17%	29%	20%	7%	17%	21%	18%
Not much	18%	20%	22%	9%	15%	27%	22%	15%	15%
None	40%	73%	46%	3%	37%	56%	40%	32%	45%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,330)	(963)	(1,150)	(993)	(2,094)	(414)	(532)	(1,299)	(795)

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20A. Importance of Things Regarding Iran — Stop Iran from threatening other countries

Is it important or not important for the U.S. to do these things regarding Iran now?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Important	68%	69%	67%	64%	61%	70%	76%	46%	69%	88%
Not important	32%	31%	33%	36%	39%	30%	24%	54%	31%	12%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,316)	(1,617)	(1,699)	(698)	(836)	(1,082)	(700)	(931)	(1,019)	(996)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Important	68%	50%	61%	91%	71%	59%	68%	74%	65%
Not important	32%	50%	39%	9%	29%	41%	32%	26%	35%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,316)	(952)	(1,146)	(992)	(2,084)	(413)	(533)	(1,294)	(789)

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20B. Importance of Things Regarding Iran — Permanently stop Iran’s nuclear programs

Is it important or not important for the U.S. to do these things regarding Iran now?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Important	73%	73%	74%	66%	66%	77%	82%	49%	75%	94%
Not important	27%	27%	26%	34%	34%	23%	18%	51%	25%	6%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,319)	(1,617)	(1,701)	(698)	(838)	(1,083)	(701)	(929)	(1,021)	(1,000)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Important	73%	58%	66%	97%	77%	66%	73%	82%	69%
Not important	27%	42%	34%	3%	23%	34%	27%	18%	31%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,319)	(952)	(1,148)	(992)	(2,087)	(413)	(532)	(1,297)	(790)

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20C. Importance of Things Regarding Iran — Change Iran’s leaders to ones that are pro- U.S.

Is it important or not important for the U.S. to do these things regarding Iran now?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Important	49%	50%	49%	47%	43%	52%	56%	20%	48%	76%
Not important	51%	50%	51%	53%	57%	48%	44%	80%	52%	24%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,315)	(1,619)	(1,696)	(694)	(839)	(1,083)	(698)	(932)	(1,019)	(998)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Important	49%	25%	43%	80%	53%	37%	52%	59%	42%
Not important	51%	75%	57%	20%	47%	63%	48%	41%	58%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,315)	(953)	(1,150)	(990)	(2,086)	(411)	(533)	(1,291)	(794)

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20D. Importance of Things Regarding Iran — Make sure Iran’s people are safe and free

Is it important or not important for the U.S. to do these things regarding Iran now?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Important	80%	78%	81%	80%	76%	81%	82%	72%	80%	88%
Not important	20%	22%	19%	20%	24%	19%	18%	28%	20%	12%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,318)	(1,618)	(1,700)	(698)	(839)	(1,083)	(698)	(933)	(1,019)	(997)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Important	80%	74%	76%	90%	81%	75%	81%	84%	76%
Not important	20%	26%	24%	10%	19%	25%	19%	16%	24%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,318)	(956)	(1,145)	(991)	(2,085)	(413)	(532)	(1,294)	(791)

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20E. Importance of Things Regarding Iran — End the conflict as quickly as possible

Is it important or not important for the U.S. to do these things regarding Iran now?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Important	92%	91%	94%	90%	92%	93%	94%	93%	94%	92%
Not important	8%	9%	6%	10%	8%	7%	6%	7%	6%	8%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,320)	(1,615)	(1,705)	(693)	(839)	(1,086)	(702)	(936)	(1,019)	(996)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Important	92%	93%	92%	94%	94%	89%	91%	95%	93%
Not important	8%	7%	8%	6%	6%	11%	9%	5%	7%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,320)	(960)	(1,146)	(991)	(2,087)	(413)	(531)	(1,291)	(796)

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21. Acceptable or Not to End Iranian Conflict with Current Regime Remaining in Power

Would it be acceptable or not acceptable if the U.S. military conflict with Iran ends with Iran's current leadership and regime still in power?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Acceptable	47%	46%	48%	57%	52%	41%	41%	70%	48%	28%
Not acceptable	53%	54%	52%	43%	48%	59%	59%	30%	52%	72%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,306)	(1,613)	(1,692)	(694)	(836)	(1,078)	(698)	(929)	(1,011)	(999)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Acceptable	47%	68%	49%	29%	44%	52%	52%	38%	53%
Not acceptable	53%	32%	51%	71%	56%	48%	48%	62%	47%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,306)	(956)	(1,140)	(988)	(2,079)	(409)	(530)	(1,285)	(794)

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22A. Will Conflict with Iran Make the U.S. Safer or Not — In the short term

Do you think the U.S. military conflict with Iran will make the U.S....

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Safer	27%	32%	22%	26%	20%	28%	32%	7%	23%	52%
Less safe	49%	45%	53%	50%	52%	49%	46%	76%	50%	26%
No difference	24%	23%	25%	23%	28%	23%	22%	17%	27%	22%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,317)	(1,616)	(1,701)	(697)	(840)	(1,080)	(699)	(934)	(1,020)	(994)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Safer	27%	7%	21%	55%	30%	14%	25%	33%	26%
Less safe	49%	72%	55%	23%	47%	51%	49%	42%	56%
No difference	24%	21%	24%	22%	22%	35%	26%	25%	18%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,317)	(959)	(1,142)	(989)	(2,086)	(411)	(531)	(1,294)	(792)

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22B. Will Conflict with Iran Make the U.S. Safer or Not — In the long term

Do you think the U.S. military conflict with Iran will make the U.S....

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Safer	36%	40%	31%	31%	29%	39%	43%	7%	31%	72%
Less safe	42%	40%	45%	47%	45%	41%	37%	74%	43%	13%
No difference	22%	20%	24%	22%	26%	20%	20%	19%	26%	15%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,307)	(1,613)	(1,694)	(691)	(836)	(1,079)	(700)	(932)	(1,016)	(997)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Safer	36%	9%	28%	73%	43%	18%	29%	46%	38%
Less safe	42%	68%	48%	12%	38%	48%	46%	33%	47%
No difference	22%	23%	24%	15%	19%	34%	25%	21%	15%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,307)	(956)	(1,141)	(986)	(2,080)	(407)	(530)	(1,287)	(793)

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23A. Will Conflict with Iran Make the U.S. Economy Stronger or Not — In the short term

Do you think the U.S. military conflict with Iran will make the U.S. economy...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Stronger	15%	17%	14%	22%	12%	15%	15%	5%	14%	29%
Weaker	63%	63%	62%	54%	64%	65%	66%	86%	65%	43%
No difference	22%	20%	23%	24%	24%	20%	19%	9%	21%	28%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,255)	(1,594)	(1,661)	(693)	(817)	(1,059)	(686)	(929)	(987)	(983)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Stronger	15%	5%	11%	33%	16%	11%	20%	18%	13%
Weaker	63%	83%	70%	39%	64%	61%	57%	58%	72%
No difference	22%	12%	19%	28%	20%	28%	22%	24%	15%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,255)	(936)	(1,126)	(972)	(2,044)	(397)	(530)	(1,269)	(774)

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23B. Will Conflict with Iran Make the U.S. Economy Stronger or Not — In the long term

Do you think the U.S. military conflict with Iran will make the U.S. economy...

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Stronger	30%	35%	26%	27%	23%	34%	36%	6%	25%	63%
Weaker	44%	43%	46%	44%	46%	43%	45%	75%	46%	15%
No difference	25%	22%	28%	29%	31%	22%	19%	18%	29%	22%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,270)	(1,596)	(1,675)	(695)	(818)	(1,066)	(690)	(929)	(994)	(988)

	Party ID			Race			White by Education		
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Stronger	30%	8%	23%	64%	36%	18%	22%	38%	32%
Weaker	44%	71%	49%	14%	41%	49%	47%	38%	47%
No difference	25%	21%	27%	22%	23%	33%	31%	24%	20%
Totals	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	(3,270)	(940)	(1,130)	(978)	(2,055)	(398)	(533)	(1,278)	(777)

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24A. How Much Will Conflict with Iran Impact People Like You — In the short term

How much do you think the U.S. military conflict with Iran will personally impact people like you...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A lot	29%	26%	32%	26%	25%	32%	31%	38%	32%	20%
Some	42%	44%	41%	39%	41%	44%	46%	45%	42%	42%
Not much/Not at all	28%	30%	27%	35%	34%	24%	22%	17%	26%	38%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,303)	(1,615)	(1,689)	(697)	(831)	(1,075)	(701)	(934)	(1,010)	(993)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
A lot	29%	39%	29%	21%	27%	31%	37%	26%	29%
Some	42%	45%	43%	43%	44%	44%	36%	41%	48%
Not much/Not at all	28%	16%	28%	36%	29%	25%	27%	33%	23%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,303)	(957)	(1,138)	(983)	(2,075)	(408)	(533)	(1,287)	(788)

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24B. How Much Will Conflict with Iran Impact People Like You — In the long term

How much do you think the U.S. military conflict with Iran will personally impact people like you...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A lot	31%	29%	34%	29%	27%	35%	32%	41%	29%	25%
Some	38%	38%	38%	36%	37%	37%	42%	41%	41%	34%
Not much/Not at all	31%	33%	28%	35%	35%	28%	26%	18%	30%	41%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,292)	(1,607)	(1,684)	(697)	(828)	(1,068)	(699)	(930)	(1,008)	(989)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
A lot	31%	40%	32%	24%	29%	33%	36%	28%	30%
Some	38%	43%	37%	36%	39%	39%	37%	35%	44%
Not much/Not at all	31%	17%	31%	40%	32%	28%	27%	36%	26%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	(3,292)	(955)	(1,136)	(977)	(2,069)	(407)	(529)	(1,282)	(787)

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25. Duration of Military Action Against Iran

How much longer do you think the U.S. military conflict with Iran will probably last?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Days	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	0%	2%
Weeks	18%	22%	14%	16%	10%	20%	24%	10%	16%	32%
Months	37%	40%	35%	40%	39%	36%	34%	37%	39%	37%
Years	14%	15%	14%	12%	19%	15%	11%	21%	15%	8%
Not sure	30%	22%	36%	30%	32%	28%	29%	31%	30%	21%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,335)	(1,622)	(1,713)	(698)	(841)	(1,089)	(707)	(936)	(1,026)	(1,003)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Days	1%	1%	0%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%
Weeks	18%	8%	16%	32%	21%	5%	16%	20%	22%
Months	37%	38%	36%	38%	37%	36%	36%	36%	40%
Years	14%	18%	18%	7%	14%	13%	17%	13%	16%
Not sure	30%	35%	30%	21%	27%	45%	30%	30%	22%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,335)	(964)	(1,151)	(994)	(2,096)	(415)	(535)	(1,300)	(796)

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26. Will U.S. Need to Send Ground Troops in Iran

During the military conflict, do you think the U.S. will probably need to send ground troops into Iran, or not?

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Will need to send	47%	45%	48%	48%	51%	46%	42%	45%	48%	46%
Will not need to send	53%	55%	52%	52%	49%	54%	58%	55%	52%	54%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,311)	(1,614)	(1,698)	(691)	(837)	(1,083)	(699)	(928)	(1,016)	(999)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Will need to send	47%	45%	46%	49%	49%	44%	45%	48%	50%
Will not need to send	53%	55%	54%	51%	51%	56%	55%	52%	50%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,311)	(956)	(1,141)	(989)	(2,085)	(409)	(529)	(1,294)	(791)

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27. Military Conflict with Iran - Necessity or Choice

Which comes closer to your view? Would you describe the current U.S. military conflict with Iran as a war of necessity or as a war of choice?

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Necessity	34%	38%	30%	28%	27%	39%	40%	7%	28%	66%
Choice	66%	62%	70%	72%	73%	61%	60%	93%	72%	34%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,320)	(1,617)	(1,703)	(692)	(836)	(1,085)	(706)	(934)	(1,023)	(996)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Necessity	34%	8%	27%	67%	39%	21%	29%	43%	32%
Choice	66%	92%	73%	33%	61%	79%	71%	57%	68%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,320)	(962)	(1,146)	(986)	(2,085)	(413)	(532)	(1,292)	(793)

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28. Trump Doing What He Promised on Iran During Campaign

On matters related to Iran, compared to what he promised in the 2024 campaign, do you feel Donald Trump so far is doing...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
The same things he promised in the campaign	37%	40%	34%	40%	31%	38%	38%	11%	32%	69%
Different things from what he promised in the campaign	63%	60%	66%	60%	69%	62%	62%	89%	68%	31%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,315)	(1,614)	(1,700)	(695)	(836)	(1,079)	(704)	(932)	(1,016)	(1,000)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
The same things he promised in the campaign	37%	10%	29%	74%	42%	22%	34%	45%	35%
Different things from what he promised in the campaign	63%	90%	71%	26%	58%	78%	66%	55%	65%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,315)	(956)	(1,148)	(987)	(2,084)	(408)	(533)	(1,292)	(792)

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29. Conflict with Iran and U.S. Position in the World

As a result of the U.S. taking military action against Iran, do you think Donald Trump is making the United States' position in the world...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Stronger	35%	39%	31%	34%	25%	39%	40%	7%	28%	73%
Weaker	49%	45%	53%	48%	53%	47%	50%	84%	53%	13%
Not having much effect	16%	16%	16%	18%	22%	14%	10%	9%	19%	14%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,330)	(1,622)	(1,708)	(697)	(838)	(1,088)	(706)	(936)	(1,024)	(1,002)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Stronger	35%	6%	26%	76%	40%	16%	33%	44%	34%
Weaker	49%	83%	57%	9%	45%	63%	49%	40%	53%
Not having much effect	16%	11%	17%	15%	15%	21%	18%	16%	12%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	(3,330)	(964)	(1,149)	(991)	(2,093)	(413)	(534)	(1,297)	(796)

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30. Gas Prices

In the last few weeks, have gas prices in your area been...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Going up	85%	84%	85%	73%	83%	89%	92%	90%	85%	84%
Going down	2%	2%	2%	3%	3%	1%	1%	2%	2%	2%
Staying the same	6%	7%	5%	10%	5%	5%	4%	2%	5%	9%
Not sure/don't buy gas	7%	7%	7%	14%	8%	5%	3%	6%	8%	4%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	(3,330)	(1,621)	(1,709)	(697)	(840)	(1,087)	(706)	(936)	(1,023)	(1,003)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Going up	85%	91%	83%	84%	87%	77%	82%	84%	90%
Going down	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	3%	4%	2%	2%
Staying the same	6%	2%	5%	10%	6%	7%	4%	8%	4%
Not sure/don't buy gas	7%	5%	9%	4%	5%	13%	10%	6%	4%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,330)	(962)	(1,150)	(992)	(2,093)	(413)	(534)	(1,297)	(796)

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31A. Conflict with Iran Impact on U.S. Gas and Oil Prices — In the short term

Do you think the U.S. military conflict with Iran will make U.S. oil and gas prices....

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Higher	90%	90%	90%	77%	90%	93%	97%	95%	88%	90%
Lower	4%	5%	3%	8%	5%	3%	1%	2%	5%	4%
No impact	6%	5%	7%	15%	5%	4%	2%	3%	7%	6%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,322)	(1,620)	(1,703)	(694)	(838)	(1,085)	(704)	(935)	(1,022)	(1,001)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Higher	90%	94%	91%	88%	92%	86%	85%	90%	95%
Lower	4%	2%	4%	6%	3%	5%	7%	4%	2%
No impact	6%	4%	5%	6%	5%	9%	8%	6%	3%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,322)	(963)	(1,149)	(988)	(2,089)	(415)	(534)	(1,295)	(794)

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31B. Conflict with Iran Impact on U.S. Gas and Oil Prices — In the long term

Do you think the U.S. military conflict with Iran will make U.S. oil and gas prices....

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Higher	58%	54%	62%	59%	64%	56%	53%	85%	62%	27%
Lower	27%	32%	22%	19%	21%	32%	34%	5%	21%	58%
No impact	15%	14%	16%	22%	15%	11%	13%	10%	17%	15%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,320)	(1,618)	(1,702)	(693)	(838)	(1,085)	(704)	(935)	(1,021)	(1,002)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Higher	58%	85%	61%	27%	52%	75%	66%	51%	54%
Lower	27%	6%	21%	58%	32%	13%	21%	34%	29%
No impact	15%	9%	18%	15%	16%	12%	13%	15%	17%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,320)	(960)	(1,148)	(988)	(2,087)	(413)	(534)	(1,294)	(794)

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32. Should Americans Be Willing to Pay More for Gas During Conflict with Iran

Do you think Americans should be willing, or not willing, to pay more for gas during the U.S. military conflict with Iran?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Willing	33%	38%	28%	32%	25%	36%	38%	10%	28%	65%
Not willing	67%	62%	72%	68%	75%	64%	62%	90%	72%	35%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,321)	(1,618)	(1,704)	(694)	(837)	(1,084)	(706)	(935)	(1,023)	(997)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Willing	33%	11%	27%	64%	37%	20%	31%	37%	37%
Not willing	67%	89%	73%	36%	63%	80%	69%	63%	63%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(3,321)	(963)	(1,147)	(988)	(2,089)	(413)	(531)	(1,294)	(795)

HOW THE POLL WAS CONDUCTED AND THE MARGIN OF ERROR CALCULATED

The CBS News/YouGov survey of 3,335 adults in the U.S. was conducted between March 17-20, 2026.

This sample was weighted according to gender, age, race, and education based on the U.S. Census American Community Survey, and the U.S. Census Current Population Survey, and 2024 Presidential vote. Respondents were selected to be representative of adults nationwide. The weights range from 0.1 to 5.0, with a mean of 1 and a standard deviation of 0.7.

The *margin of error* (a 95% confidence interval) for a sample percentage p based upon the entire sample is approximately ± 2.1 points. It is calculated using the formula

$$\hat{p} \pm 100 \times \sqrt{\frac{1 + CV^2}{n}}$$

where CV is the coefficient of variation of the sample weights and n is the sample size used to compute the proportion. This is a measure of sampling error (the average of all estimates obtained using the same sample selection and weighting procedures repeatedly). The sample estimate should differ from its expected value by less than margin of error in 95 percent of all samples. It does not reflect non-sampling errors, including potential selection bias in panel participation or in response to a particular survey.