# CBS News Poll – March 16-19, 2026
## Adults in the U.S.

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Sample          2,500 Adults in the U.S.
Margin of Error   ±2.2 points

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**2. Do you feel you have a good understanding of what artificial intelligence — also known as AI — is, or not?**

Yes ................................................................................................. 72%
No ................................................................................................. 28%

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**3. Is that a very good understanding or somewhat good understanding of AI?**
*Among those who say they understand AI*

Very good ........................................................................................ 34%
Somewhat good ................................................................................. 66%

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**4. Do you think that, in general, AI will create more problems than it solves, or do you think AI will solve more problems than it creates?**

Will create more problems ................................................................. 49%
Will solve more problems .................................................................. 27%
Don't know ....................................................................................... 24%

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**5. Do you use AI for anything?**

Yes ................................................................................................. 56%
No ................................................................................................. 44%

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**6. When you use AI, do you use it...?**
*Among those who use AI*

Mostly for work ................................................................................ 13%
Mostly for personal use .................................................................... 61%
About equally work/personal ............................................................. 26%

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**7. In general, do you think AI technology companies will, or will not, make sure that AI is used in appropriate ways?**

Certainly will .................................................................................... 6%
Probably will .................................................................................... 31%
Probably will not .............................................................................. 44%
Certainly will not .............................................................................. 18%

8. Would you be comfortable, or not comfortable, with AI doing these things for you, instead of a person?

|  | Comfortable | Not comfortable | Neither/not sure |
|---|---|---|---|
| Making health and medical diagnoses | 15% | 67% | 18% |
| Finding things online | 70% | 18% | 12% |
| Correcting and proofreading text | 64% | 23% | 13% |
| Handling finances and investments | 15% | 66% | 19% |
| Driving your taxi or rideshare | 13% | 73% | 14% |
| Filing your taxes | 24% | 58% | 18% |

9. Should U.S. government policy with regard to AI (Artificial Intelligence) in the United States generally be to promote use and development of AI, restrict use and development of AI, or not take a position either way?

Promote use and development of AI ................................................................ 24%
Restrict use and development of AI ................................................................ 42%
Not take position either way ........................................................................34%

10. Do you think that AI (Artificial Intelligence) will increase, decrease, or not have any impact on the number of jobs available in the U.S.?

Increase ......................................................................................19%
Decrease ......................................................................................66%
Have no effect ...............................................................................15%

11. In general, do you think the U.S. military should or should not use AI to analyze military and intelligence data?

Should .........................................................................................47%
Should not .....................................................................................53%

**2. Feel You Understand AI**

Do you feel you have a good understanding of what artificial intelligence — also known as AI — is, or not?

| | | Gender | | Age | | | | Ideology | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Total | Male | Female | Under 30 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | Liberal | Moderate | Conservative |
| Yes | 72% | 74% | 70% | 82% | 79% | 70% | 57% | 81% | 72% | 72% |
| No | 28% | 26% | 30% | 18% | 21% | 30% | 43% | 19% | 28% | 28% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Weighted N | (2,494) | (1,212) | (1,282) | (523) | (630) | (813) | (529) | (635) | (819) | (744) |

| | | Party ID | | | Race | | | White by Education | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Total | Dem | Ind | Rep | White | Black | Hispanic | No Degree | 4yr Degree+ |
| Yes | 72% | 77% | 74% | 72% | 72% | 72% | 69% | 68% | 78% |
| No | 28% | 23% | 26% | 28% | 28% | 28% | 31% | 32% | 22% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Weighted N | (2,494) | (710) | (857) | (720) | (1,567) | (309) | (401) | (971) | (596) |

### 3. Good Understanding of AI
Is that a very good understanding or somewhat good understanding of AI?

*Among those who say they understand AI*

|  | Total | Gender | | Age | | | | Ideology | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|  |  | Male | Female | Under 30 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | Liberal | Moderate | Conservative |
| Very good | 34% | 39% | 30% | 46% | 42% | 27% | 19% | 40% | 32% | 33% |
| Somewhat good | 66% | 61% | 70% | 54% | 58% | 73% | 81% | 60% | 68% | 67% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Weighted N | (1,792) | (894) | (898) | (429) | (494) | (567) | (302) | (515) | (585) | (535) |

|  | Total | Party ID | | | Race | | | White by Education | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|  |  | Dem | Ind | Rep | White | Black | Hispanic | No Degree | 4yr Degree+ |
| Very good | 34% | 37% | 32% | 35% | 31% | 38% | 40% | 26% | 38% |
| Somewhat good | 66% | 63% | 68% | 65% | 69% | 62% | 60% | 74% | 62% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Weighted N | (1,792) | (544) | (631) | (515) | (1,122) | (221) | (276) | (659) | (463) |

### 4. AI Will Create or Solve More Problems
Do you think that, in general, AI will create more problems than it solves, or do you think AI will solve more problems than it creates?

| | Total | Gender | | Age | | | | Ideology | | |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| | | Male | Female | Under 30 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | Liberal | Moderate | Conservative |
| Will create more problems | 49% | 42% | 56% | 41% | 44% | 55% | 55% | 58% | 48% | 47% |
| Will solve more problems | 27% | 34% | 20% | 38% | 33% | 19% | 21% | 24% | 27% | 32% |
| Don't know | 24% | 24% | 24% | 20% | 23% | 26% | 24% | 18% | 24% | 21% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 100% | 99% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 99% | 100% |
| Weighted N | (2,490) | (1,212) | (1,278) | (523) | (629) | (811) | (528) | (635) | (820) | (741) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Race | | | White by Education | |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| | | Dem | Ind | Rep | White | Black | Hispanic | No Degree | 4yr Degree+ |
| Will create more problems | 49% | 55% | 53% | 43% | 53% | 42% | 41% | 54% | 51% |
| Will solve more problems | 27% | 24% | 24% | 36% | 24% | 32% | 34% | 21% | 28% |
| Don't know | 24% | 21% | 23% | 21% | 23% | 26% | 24% | 25% | 21% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 99% | 100% | 100% |
| Weighted N | (2,490) | (711) | (857) | (717) | (1,566) | (310) | (399) | (971) | (595) |

**5. Personally Use AI**

Do you use AI for anything?

| | | Gender | | Age | | | | Ideology | | |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| | Total | Male | Female | Under 30 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | Liberal | Moderate | Conservative |
| Yes | 56% | 59% | 53% | 69% | 64% | 51% | 41% | 60% | 60% | 54% |
| No | 44% | 41% | 47% | 31% | 36% | 49% | 59% | 40% | 40% | 46% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Weighted N | (2,495) | (1,214) | (1,281) | (523) | (631) | (813) | (529) | (635) | (823) | (741) |

| | | Party ID | | | Race | | | White by Education | |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| | Total | Dem | Ind | Rep | White | Black | Hispanic | No Degree | 4yr Degree+ |
| Yes | 56% | 58% | 57% | 56% | 55% | 57% | 57% | 47% | 67% |
| No | 44% | 42% | 43% | 44% | 45% | 43% | 43% | 53% | 33% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Weighted N | (2,495) | (711) | (860) | (717) | (1,565) | (312) | (401) | (970) | (594) |

**6. AI for Work or Personal Use**
When you use AI, do you use it...?
*Among those who use AI*

| | | Gender | | Age | | | | Ideology | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Total | Male | Female | Under 30 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | Liberal | Moderate | Conservative |
| Mostly for work | 13% | 13% | 12% | 12% | 15% | 15% | 7% | 19% | 10% | 11% |
| Mostly for personal use | 61% | 58% | 64% | 54% | 50% | 65% | 84% | 53% | 62% | 65% |
| About equally work/personal | 26% | 29% | 23% | 34% | 34% | 20% | 9% | 28% | 28% | 24% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 99% | 100% | 99% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Weighted N | (1,396) | (713) | (683) | (361) | (401) | (416) | (218) | (381) | (494) | (397) |

| | | Party ID | | | Race | | | White by Education | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Total | Dem | Ind | Rep | White | Black | Hispanic | No Degree | 4yr Degree+ |
| Mostly for work | 13% | 17% | 12% | 10% | 13% | 8% | 12% | 7% | 21% |
| Mostly for personal use | 61% | 56% | 62% | 64% | 63% | 61% | 64% | 75% | 48% |
| About equally work/personal | 26% | 27% | 26% | 26% | 24% | 31% | 24% | 18% | 31% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Weighted N | (1,396) | (411) | (488) | (403) | (858) | (178) | (230) | (458) | (400) |

**7. Will Technology Companies Use AI in Appropriate Way**

In general, do you think AI technology companies will, or will not, make sure that AI is used in appropriate ways?

|  | Total | Gender | | Age | | | | Ideology | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|  |  | Male | Female | Under 30 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | Liberal | Moderate | Conservative |
| Certainly will | 6% | 8% | 5% | 14% | 8% | 3% | 2% | 5% | 6% | 10% |
| Probably will | 31% | 33% | 29% | 33% | 35% | 29% | 26% | 22% | 34% | 33% |
| Probably will not | 44% | 39% | 49% | 36% | 36% | 49% | 56% | 44% | 46% | 43% |
| Certainly will not | 18% | 20% | 17% | 17% | 21% | 19% | 15% | 29% | 14% | 14% |
| Totals | 99% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 99% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Weighted N | (2,498) | (1,215) | (1,284) | (525) | (631) | (814) | (529) | (635) | (823) | (743) |

|  | Total | Party ID | | | Race | | | White by Education | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|  |  | Dem | Ind | Rep | White | Black | Hispanic | No Degree | 4yr Degree+ |
| Certainly will | 6% | 7% | 4% | 10% | 5% | 11% | 10% | 4% | 7% |
| Probably will | 31% | 26% | 28% | 36% | 28% | 34% | 37% | 29% | 25% |
| Probably will not | 44% | 45% | 46% | 43% | 48% | 41% | 36% | 51% | 45% |
| Certainly will not | 18% | 22% | 22% | 11% | 19% | 14% | 17% | 16% | 23% |
| Totals | 99% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Weighted N | (2,498) | (711) | (861) | (719) | (1,569) | (311) | (401) | (973) | (596) |

**8A. Comfortable with AI Doing These Things for You — Making health and medical diagnoses**
Would you be comfortable, or not comfortable, with AI doing these things for you, instead of a person?

| | Total | Gender | | Age | | | | Ideology | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Male | Female | Under 30 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | Liberal | Moderate | Conservative |
| Comfortable | 15% | 18% | 12% | 17% | 18% | 13% | 11% | 13% | 13% | 20% |
| Not comfortable | 67% | 63% | 72% | 64% | 62% | 70% | 73% | 73% | 66% | 68% |
| Neither/not sure | 18% | 19% | 16% | 19% | 20% | 17% | 16% | 14% | 21% | 12% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Weighted N | (2,492) | (1,213) | (1,280) | (522) | (629) | (814) | (528) | (636) | (821) | (741) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Race | | | White by Education | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Dem | Ind | Rep | White | Black | Hispanic | No Degree | 4yr Degree+ |
| Comfortable | 15% | 14% | 13% | 19% | 13% | 17% | 17% | 11% | 16% |
| Not comfortable | 67% | 72% | 65% | 68% | 70% | 62% | 63% | 71% | 69% |
| Neither/not sure | 18% | 14% | 22% | 13% | 17% | 21% | 20% | 18% | 15% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Weighted N | (2,492) | (709) | (860) | (718) | (1,566) | (308) | (401) | (970) | (596) |

**8B. Comfortable with AI Doing These Things for You — Finding things online**
Would you be comfortable, or not comfortable, with AI doing these things for you, instead of a person?

|  | | Gender | | Age | | | | Ideology | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|  | Total | Male | Female | Under 30 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | Liberal | Moderate | Conservative |
| Comfortable | 70% | 74% | 67% | 68% | 75% | 67% | 70% | 70% | 74% | 73% |
| Not comfortable | 18% | 16% | 19% | 20% | 14% | 18% | 19% | 19% | 15% | 17% |
| Neither/not sure | 12% | 10% | 14% | 11% | 11% | 14% | 11% | 11% | 11% | 10% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 100% | 99% | 100% | 99% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Weighted N | (2,496) | (1,213) | (1,282) | (525) | (631) | (814) | (526) | (635) | (822) | (742) |

|  | | Party ID | | | Race | | | White by Education | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|  | Total | Dem | Ind | Rep | White | Black | Hispanic | No Degree | 4yr Degree+ |
| Comfortable | 70% | 72% | 68% | 76% | 71% | 67% | 71% | 65% | 80% |
| Not comfortable | 18% | 17% | 19% | 14% | 18% | 16% | 16% | 22% | 12% |
| Neither/not sure | 12% | 10% | 12% | 9% | 11% | 17% | 13% | 13% | 8% |
| Totals | 100% | 99% | 99% | 99% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Weighted N | (2,496) | (709) | (860) | (719) | (1,567) | (312) | (399) | (971) | (596) |

**8C. Comfortable with AI Doing These Things for You — Correcting and proofreading text**
Would you be comfortable, or not comfortable, with AI doing these things for you, instead of a person?

|  | | Gender | | Age | | | | Ideology | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|  | Total | Male | Female | Under 30 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | Liberal | Moderate | Conservative |
| Comfortable | 64% | 66% | 61% | 64% | 69% | 63% | 58% | 63% | 66% | 67% |
| Not comfortable | 23% | 21% | 25% | 25% | 19% | 22% | 28% | 26% | 22% | 21% |
| Neither/not sure | 13% | 12% | 14% | 11% | 12% | 15% | 14% | 11% | 12% | 12% |
| Totals | 100% | 99% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Weighted N | (2,496) | (1,214) | (1,282) | (524) | (629) | (815) | (529) | (636) | (822) | (743) |

|  | | Party ID | | | Race | | | White by Education | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|  | Total | Dem | Ind | Rep | White | Black | Hispanic | No Degree | 4yr Degree+ |
| Comfortable | 64% | 64% | 62% | 69% | 63% | 61% | 67% | 58% | 72% |
| Not comfortable | 23% | 24% | 24% | 20% | 25% | 20% | 20% | 28% | 18% |
| Neither/not sure | 13% | 12% | 13% | 11% | 12% | 18% | 13% | 14% | 10% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 99% | 100% | 100% | 99% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Weighted N | (2,496) | (709) | (861) | (720) | (1,569) | (311) | (401) | (973) | (596) |

**8D. Comfortable with AI Doing These Things for You — Handling finances and investments**
Would you be comfortable, or not comfortable, with AI doing these things for you, instead of a person?

| | Total | Gender | | Age | | | | Ideology | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Male | Female | Under 30 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | Liberal | Moderate | Conservative |
| Comfortable | 15% | 18% | 12% | 22% | 20% | 11% | 9% | 16% | 14% | 17% |
| Not comfortable | 66% | 63% | 68% | 58% | 60% | 69% | 75% | 70% | 65% | 69% |
| Neither/not sure | 19% | 18% | 20% | 19% | 20% | 20% | 16% | 14% | 21% | 14% |
| Totals | 100% | 99% | 100% | 99% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Weighted N | (2,495) | (1,214) | (1,281) | (523) | (631) | (813) | (528) | (635) | (821) | (743) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Race | | | White by Education | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Dem | Ind | Rep | White | Black | Hispanic | No Degree | 4yr Degree+ |
| Comfortable | 15% | 15% | 13% | 18% | 14% | 20% | 19% | 12% | 17% |
| Not comfortable | 66% | 70% | 65% | 67% | 69% | 53% | 62% | 70% | 68% |
| Neither/not sure | 19% | 15% | 21% | 15% | 17% | 27% | 19% | 18% | 15% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 99% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Weighted N | (2,495) | (708) | (861) | (719) | (1,566) | (312) | (399) | (971) | (596) |

**8E. Comfortable with AI Doing These Things for You — Driving your taxi or rideshare**

Would you be comfortable, or not comfortable, with AI doing these things for you, instead of a person?

| | Total | Gender | | Age | | | | Ideology | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Male | Female | Under 30 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | Liberal | Moderate | Conservative |
| Comfortable | 13% | 18% | 9% | 19% | 17% | 10% | 8% | 17% | 12% | 14% |
| Not comfortable | 73% | 67% | 78% | 64% | 67% | 78% | 82% | 73% | 73% | 74% |
| Neither/not sure | 14% | 15% | 12% | 17% | 16% | 12% | 10% | 10% | 15% | 12% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 99% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Weighted N | (2,496) | (1,215) | (1,281) | (525) | (631) | (815) | (527) | (636) | (822) | (743) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Race | | | White by Education | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Dem | Ind | Rep | White | Black | Hispanic | No Degree | 4yr Degree+ |
| Comfortable | 13% | 16% | 11% | 15% | 11% | 18% | 14% | 9% | 14% |
| Not comfortable | 73% | 74% | 75% | 72% | 77% | 64% | 66% | 80% | 72% |
| Neither/not sure | 14% | 10% | 14% | 13% | 12% | 18% | 19% | 11% | 13% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 99% | 100% | 99% |
| Weighted N | (2,496) | (710) | (861) | (718) | (1,566) | (312) | (401) | (972) | (594) |

**8F. Comfortable with AI Doing These Things for You — Filing your taxes**
Would you be comfortable, or not comfortable, with AI doing these things for you, instead of a person?

|  | Total | Gender | | Age | | | | Ideology | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|  |  | Male | Female | Under 30 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | Liberal | Moderate | Conservative |
| Comfortable | 24% | 28% | 20% | 26% | 28% | 22% | 19% | 23% | 24% | 26% |
| Not comfortable | 58% | 53% | 63% | 54% | 54% | 60% | 64% | 62% | 57% | 60% |
| Neither/not sure | 18% | 19% | 17% | 20% | 18% | 17% | 17% | 15% | 19% | 14% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 99% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Weighted N | (2,490) | (1,209) | (1,281) | (525) | (628) | (814) | (524) | (636) | (820) | (738) |

|  | Total | Party ID | | | Race | | | White by Education | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|  |  | Dem | Ind | Rep | White | Black | Hispanic | No Degree | 4yr Degree+ |
| Comfortable | 24% | 24% | 23% | 27% | 23% | 27% | 26% | 21% | 26% |
| Not comfortable | 58% | 61% | 59% | 58% | 61% | 47% | 56% | 62% | 59% |
| Neither/not sure | 18% | 15% | 18% | 15% | 16% | 26% | 18% | 17% | 15% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Weighted N | (2,490) | (709) | (858) | (716) | (1,561) | (310) | (401) | (972) | (590) |

**9. Should Government Policy Promote or Restrict AI**

Should U.S. government policy with regard to AI (Artificial Intelligence) in the United States generally be to promote use and development of AI, restrict use and development of AI, or not take a position either way?

| | Total | Gender | | Age | | | | Ideology | | |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| | | Male | Female | Under 30 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | Liberal | Moderate | Conservative |
| Promote use and development of AI | 24% | 31% | 18% | 30% | 29% | 20% | 19% | 21% | 25% | 32% |
| Restrict use and development of AI | 42% | 37% | 46% | 38% | 35% | 46% | 47% | 55% | 40% | 38% |
| Not take position either way | 34% | 32% | 36% | 32% | 36% | 34% | 34% | 24% | 35% | 30% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Weighted N | (2,495) | (1,214) | (1,281) | (525) | (629) | (812) | (529) | (635) | (823) | (743) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Race | | | White by Education | |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| | | Dem | Ind | Rep | White | Black | Hispanic | No Degree | 4yr Degree+ |
| Promote use and development of AI | 24% | 20% | 23% | 33% | 23% | 30% | 24% | 20% | 28% |
| Restrict use and development of AI | 42% | 51% | 42% | 36% | 44% | 33% | 38% | 44% | 44% |
| Not take position either way | 34% | 28% | 35% | 31% | 33% | 36% | 37% | 36% | 28% |
| Totals | 100% | 99% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 99% | 99% | 100% | 100% |
| Weighted N | (2,495) | (711) | (861) | (718) | (1,568) | (310) | (400) | (972) | (595) |

**10. Impact of AI on Number of Jobs Available in the U.S.**

Do you think that AI (Artificial Intelligence) will increase, decrease, or not have any impact on the number of jobs available in the U.S.?

| | Total | Gender | | Age | | | | Ideology | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Male | Female | Under 30 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | Liberal | Moderate | Conservative |
| Increase | 19% | 21% | 16% | 24% | 18% | 17% | 16% | 15% | 16% | 24% |
| Decrease | 66% | 63% | 69% | 58% | 66% | 68% | 71% | 76% | 68% | 61% |
| Have no effect | 15% | 16% | 15% | 18% | 16% | 15% | 13% | 9% | 15% | 15% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 99% | 100% |
| Weighted N | (2,495) | (1,212) | (1,284) | (523) | (629) | (815) | (528) | (635) | (821) | (744) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Race | | | White by Education | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Dem | Ind | Rep | White | Black | Hispanic | No Degree | 4yr Degree+ |
| Increase | 19% | 18% | 15% | 23% | 14% | 30% | 25% | 14% | 15% |
| Decrease | 66% | 72% | 69% | 62% | 71% | 51% | 63% | 71% | 70% |
| Have no effect | 15% | 10% | 16% | 15% | 15% | 19% | 12% | 15% | 15% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Weighted N | (2,495) | (711) | (857) | (720) | (1,567) | (312) | (399) | (971) | (596) |

**11. Should Military Use AI for Intelligence Data**

In general, do you think the U.S. military should or should not use AI to analyze military and intelligence data?

|  | Total | Gender | | Age | | | | Ideology | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|  |  | Male | Female | Under 30 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | Liberal | Moderate | Conservative |
| Should | 47% | 56% | 40% | 42% | 48% | 46% | 54% | 36% | 49% | 62% |
| Should not | 53% | 44% | 60% | 58% | 52% | 54% | 46% | 64% | 51% | 38% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Weighted N | (2,490) | (1,211) | (1,279) | (521) | (628) | (813) | (527) | (633) | (819) | (742) |

|  | Total | Party ID | | | Race | | | White by Education | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|  |  | Dem | Ind | Rep | White | Black | Hispanic | No Degree | 4yr Degree+ |
| Should | 47% | 38% | 46% | 63% | 50% | 41% | 45% | 45% | 59% |
| Should not | 53% | 62% | 54% | 37% | 50% | 59% | 55% | 55% | 41% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Weighted N | (2,490) | (709) | (856) | (718) | (1,560) | (311) | (401) | (969) | (591) |

# HOW THE POLL WAS CONDUCTED AND THE MARGIN OF ERROR CALCULATED

The CBS News/YouGov survey of 2,500 adults in the U.S. was conducted between March 16-19, 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 0.5.

The *margin of error* (a 95% confidence interval) for a sample percentage $p$ based upon the entire sample is approximately $\pm 2.2$ points. It is calculated using the formula

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

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.