The Economist/YouGov Poll
February 25 - 27, 2024 - 1688 U.S. Adult citizens

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Sample	1688 U.S. Adult citizens
Conducted	February 25 - 27, 2024
Margin of Error	±3.2%

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

Generally headed in the right direction	26%
Off on the wrong track	62%
Not sure	12%

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

	Very favorable	Some-what favorable	Favorable	Some-what unfavor-able	Very unfa-vorable	Unfavor-able	Don't know
Donald Trump	27%	18%	**45%**	10%	42%	**52%**	3%
Nikki Haley	8%	25%	**34%**	23%	23%	**45%**	21%
Aleksei Navalny	18%	22%	**40%**	9%	6%	**15%**	46%
Vladimir Putin	4%	8%	**12%**	13%	65%	**78%**	10%
Wayne LaPierre	4%	12%	**15%**	10%	20%	**30%**	54%

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

	Very favorable	Some-what favorable	Favorable	Some-what unfavor-able	Very unfa-vorable	Unfavor-able	Don't know
Joe Biden	21%	23%	**44%**	12%	41%	**54%**	3%
Kamala Harris	17%	24%	**41%**	12%	38%	**50%**	9%
Mike Johnson	9%	19%	**28%**	12%	22%	**34%**	38%
Mitch McConnell	3%	17%	**21%**	24%	36%	**60%**	19%
Chuck Schumer	11%	22%	**33%**	13%	28%	**41%**	25%
Hakeem Jeffries	13%	16%	**29%**	12%	18%	**29%**	42%

4. How important are the following issues to you?

	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Important	Not very Important	Unimpor-tant	Not Important
Jobs and the economy	71%	25%	**97%**	3%	1%	**3%**
Immigration	52%	33%	**86%**	11%	4%	**14%**
Climate change and the environment	43%	28%	**72%**	15%	13%	**28%**
Foreign policy	44%	42%	**87%**	10%	3%	**13%**
National Security	67%	25%	**93%**	6%	1%	**7%**

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Education	62%	30%	**92%**	7%	1%	**8%**
Health care	69%	26%	**95%**	4%	1%	**5%**
Taxes and government spending	60%	33%	**93%**	5%	2%	**7%**
Abortion	48%	28%	**76%**	15%	9%	**24%**
Civil rights	54%	32%	**86%**	9%	4%	**14%**
Civil liberties	52%	36%	**88%**	9%	3%	**12%**
Guns	55%	29%	**84%**	11%	6%	**16%**
Crime	62%	29%	**91%**	7%	2%	**9%**
Criminal justice reform	44%	38%	**83%**	14%	4%	**17%**
Inflation/prices	74%	22%	**96%**	3%	1%	**4%**

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

Inflation/prices	18%
Immigration	13%
Health care	11%
Jobs and the economy	11%
Climate change and the environment	8%
National Security	7%
Abortion	5%
Taxes and government spending	5%
Education	5%
Guns	4%
Civil rights	4%
Crime	3%
Civil liberties	3%
Foreign policy	1%
Criminal justice reform	1%

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

Strongly approve	19%
Somewhat approve	24%
Approve	**43%**
Somewhat disapprove	11%
Strongly disapprove	42%
Disapprove	**52%**
Not sure	5%

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

	Strongly approve	Some-what approve	Approve	Some-what disap-prove	Strongly disap-prove	Disap-prove	No opinion
Jobs and the economy	22%	21%	**43%**	14%	35%	**49%**	8%
Climate change and the environment	17%	25%	**42%**	12%	30%	**42%**	16%
Taxes and government spending	15%	23%	**38%**	13%	41%	**54%**	8%
Abortion	18%	24%	**42%**	11%	31%	**43%**	16%
Civil rights	18%	26%	**43%**	13%	28%	**41%**	15%
Civil liberties	16%	27%	**43%**	13%	29%	**43%**	14%
Guns	14%	21%	**36%**	17%	33%	**50%**	14%
Crime	14%	23%	**37%**	13%	37%	**50%**	13%
Inflation/prices	16%	21%	**37%**	13%	43%	**56%**	7%

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

Strongly approve	5%
Somewhat approve	11%
Approve	**16%**
Neither approve nor disapprove	16%
Somewhat disapprove	22%
Strongly disapprove	37%
Disapprove	**59%**
Not sure	10%

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

Strongly approve	11%
Somewhat approve	27%
Approve	**38%**
Somewhat disapprove	20%
Strongly disapprove	29%
Disapprove	**49%**
Not sure	13%

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	44%
The Republican Party candidate	43%
Other	1%
Not sure	10%
I would not vote	2%

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

Very liberal	3%
Liberal	7%
Total Liberal	**9%**
Moderate	29%
Conservative	23%
Very conservative	21%
Total Conservative	**44%**
Not sure	19%

12. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of the political parties?

	Very favorable	Some-what favorable	Favorable	Some-what unfavor-able	Very unfa-vorable	Unfavor-able	Don't know
The Democratic Party	19%	25%	**43%**	16%	33%	**49%**	8%
The Republican Party	13%	25%	**38%**	17%	36%	**53%**	9%

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

Yes	31%
No	56%
Not sure	13%

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

Yes	38%
No	54%
Not sure	7%

15. How much attention have you been paying to the 2024 election campaign for president?

A lot	40%
Some	29%
Only a little	19%
None at all	12%

16. 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...
Asked of registered voters

Joe Biden	44%
Donald Trump	44%
Other	5%
Not sure	4%
I would not vote	4%

17. Who would you vote for?
Asked of those who prefer to vote for someone other than Trump or Biden

Robert F. Kennedy, Jr.	31%
Cornel West	5%
Jill Stein	18%
Someone else	14%
Not sure	32%

18. 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?

Joe Biden	36%
Donald Trump	45%
Not sure	19%

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

Very strong	15%
Somewhat strong	25%
Somewhat weak	18%
Very weak	42%

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

Like a lot	23%
Like somewhat	18%
Neither like nor dislike	18%
Dislike somewhat	9%
Dislike a lot	28%
Not sure	4%

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

Very strong	34%
Somewhat strong	23%
Somewhat weak	13%
Very weak	29%

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

Like a lot	17%
Like somewhat	15%
Neither like nor dislike	14%
Dislike somewhat	10%
Dislike a lot	41%
Not sure	3%

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

Biden legitimately won the election 65%
Biden did NOT legitimately win the election 35%

24. If you had to choose, would you rather have a president who...

Compromises to get things done. 54%
Sticks to their principles, no matter what. 46%

25. Which comes closest to your view?

Our lives are threatened by terrorists, criminals, and illegal immigrants and our priority should be to protect ourselves. 42%
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. 45%
Not sure 13%

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

Under control 22%
Out of control 64%
Not sure 14%

27. If the Republican presidential primary in your state were held today, who would you vote for?
Asked of Republicans and Independents who lean Republican

Donald Trump 79%
Nikki Haley 13%
Someone else 3%
Not sure 3%
I would not vote 2%

28. Regardless of who you prefer, who do you think will win the Republican presidential nomination?

Donald Trump 69%
Nikki Haley 11%
Not sure 20%

29. Do you think that Nikki Haley should...?

Stay in the Republican presidential race 41%
Drop out of the Republican presidential race 33%
Not sure 25%

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

Getting better 25%
About the same 23%
Getting worse 47%
Not sure 5%

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

Better off financially than you were a year ago 17%
About the same financially as you were a year ago 41%
Worse off financially than you were a year ago 37%
Not sure 5%

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

Full-time 31%
Part-time 16%
Temporarily laid off 1%
Unemployed 9%
Retired 23%
Permanently disabled 8%
Homemaker 7%
Student 3%
Other 2%

33. Are you currently enrolled as a student?

Full-time student 4%
Part-time student 4%
Not a student 92%

34. Do you have a job outside of school?
Asked of students

Full-time job 0%
Part-time job 21%
No job outside of school 79%

35. Do you personally know anyone who has used in vitro fertilization (IVF) treatment — which involves combining eggs and sperm in a lab to create embryos for implantation? Check all that apply.

Yes, me 2%
Yes, a family member 10%
Yes, a close friend 8%
Yes, an acquaintance 13%
No 69%
Prefer not to say 3%

36. IVF treatment often produces multiple embryos, some of which are not used. Do you think that embryos that have not been implanted should be considered children?

Yes, they are children 21%
No, they are not children 50%
Not sure 29%

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37. Do you think that IVF should be. . . ?

Legal	67%
Illegal	8%
Not sure	24%

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38. Do you personally believe that using in vitro fertilization is ...?

Morally acceptable	30%
Morally wrong	8%
Not a moral issue	40%
Don't know	21%

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39. Do you personally know anyone who has had an abortion? Check all that apply.

Yes, me	8%
Yes, a family member	18%
Yes, a close friend	20%
Yes, an acquaintance	23%
No	39%
Prefer not to say	8%

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40. Should abortion laws be decided nationally or left to the states?

Decided nationally	46%
Left to the states	39%
Not sure	16%

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41. When do you think abortion should be legal?

Abortion should always be legal. There should be no restrictions on abortion.	29%
Abortion should be legal, but with some restrictions (such as for minors or late-term abortions).	31%
Abortion should only be legal in special circumstances, such as when the life of the mother is in danger.	32%
Abortion should be illegal. It should never be allowed.	7%

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42. Do you personally believe that abortion is ...?

Morally acceptable	20%
Morally wrong	36%
Not a moral issue	32%
Don't know	12%

43. Would you support or oppose a national ban on abortions after 16 weeks of pregnancy?

Strongly support 24%
Somewhat support 18%
Support **41%**
Somewhat oppose 14%
Strongly oppose 30%
Oppose **44%**
Not sure 15%

44. Would you support or oppose Congress passing a law doing the following?

	Strongly support	Some-what support	Support	Some-what oppose	Strongly oppose	Oppose	Not sure
Establishing a national right to abortion	38%	17%	**55%**	9%	24%	**33%**	12%
Banning all abortions nationwide	13%	11%	**24%**	13%	54%	**67%**	9%

45. Do you agree or disagree with the following?

	Strongly agree	Some-what agree	Agree	Some-what disagree	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Not sure
Abortion should be a personal decision, not a legal debate	57%	18%	**76%**	7%	10%	**17%**	8%
Abortion care is part of health care	42%	19%	**61%**	10%	20%	**30%**	9%
Abortion should be safe, legal, and rare	41%	30%	**70%**	8%	12%	**20%**	10%
Abortion is murder	25%	20%	**45%**	10%	35%	**45%**	10%
Life begins at conception	32%	21%	**53%**	12%	24%	**36%**	11%
There are always better alternatives than abortions	25%	25%	**50%**	18%	20%	**38%**	12%

46. Do you approve or disapprove of the Supreme Court's ruling that there is no constitutional right to an abortion?

Strongly approve 23%
Somewhat approve 11%
Approve **35%**
Somewhat disapprove 12%
Strongly disapprove 37%
Disapprove **48%**
Not sure 17%

47. How likely do you think it is that there will be a government shutdown this year?

Very likely 13%
Somewhat likely 30%
Not very likely 24%
Not likely at all 9%
Not sure 24%

48. In general, do you think immigration makes the U.S. better off or worse off?

Better off 29%
Does not make much difference 21%
Worse off 38%
Not sure 12%

49. How important do you think it is for Congress to increase border restrictions?

Very important 49%
Somewhat important 24%
Not very important 11%
Not at all important 5%
Not sure 10%

50. About how many migrants do you think try to cross the southern border unlawfully in an average day?

None 2%
1 - 100 .... 5%
101 - 250 .... 4%
251 - 500 .... 5%
501 - 1,000 .... 8%
1,001 - 2,500 .... 9%
2,501 - 5,000 .... 11%
5,001 - 10,000 .... 13%
10,001 - 25,000 .... 9%
25,001 - 50,000 .... 3%
50,001 - 75,000 .... 2%
75,001 - 100,000 .... 2%
More than 100,000 .... 5%
Not sure 23%

51. Would you support or oppose shutting down the border to new entrants if an average of more than 5,000 migrants per day try to cross unlawfully in the course of a week?

Strongly support 40%
Somewhat support 21%
Support **61%**
Somewhat oppose 11%
Strongly oppose 10%
Oppose **21%**
Not sure 18%

52. Do you think it is a good or bad idea to use military troops to assist the U.S. Border Patrol in securing the southern border with Mexico?

Good idea 60%
Bad idea 22%
Not sure 18%

53. Would you support or oppose using military troops to arrest and deport people who are in the U.S. unlawfully?

Strongly support 35%
Somewhat support 21%
Support **56%**
Somewhat oppose 12%
Strongly oppose 19%
Oppose **31%**
Not sure 13%

54. The U.S. Constitution says that all persons born in the U.S. are citizens, regardless of whether their parents were here legally. Should the U.S. continue to provide citizenship to all who are born here?

Yes 63%
No 21%
Not sure 15%

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

Very liberal 10%
Liberal 16%
Total Liberal **26%**
Moderate 34%
Conservative 21%
Very conservative 10%
Total Conservative **31%**
Not sure 10%

56. Are you registered to vote?

Registered 73%
Not registered 27%

57. 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 32%

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

Democrat 35%
Republican 31%
Independent 23%
Other 2%
Not sure 9%

59. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a ...?
Calculated based on a series of questions about party identification

Strong Democrat 22%
Not very strong Democrat 12%
Lean Democrat 7%
Independent 16%
Lean Republican 7%
Not very strong Republican 13%
Strong Republican 18%
Not sure 3%
Don't know 0%

60. Are you. . . ?

Male 48%
Female 52%

61. Respondent age by category

Under 30 .... 21%
30-44 .... 24%
45-64 .... 32%
65+ 22%

62. What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

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

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

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

64. What is your marital status?

Married 41%
Separated 2%
Divorced 12%
Widowed 6%
Never married 34%
Domestic / civil partnership 5%

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

Yes 20%
No 80%

66. Census Region
Calculated from respondent's state of residence

Northeast 17%
Midwest 21%
South 38%
West 23%

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

Under $50K 42%
$50-100K 30%
$100K or more 18%
Prefer not to say 11%

68. How important is religion in your life?

Very important 39%
Somewhat important 24%
Not too important 15%
Not at all important 22%

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

More than once a week 9%
Once a week 18%
Once or twice a month 6%
A few times a year 12%
Seldom 19%
Never 32%
Don't know 3%

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

Yes 33%
No 67%

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

Several times a day 27%
Once a day 14%
A few times a week 12%
Once a week 3%
A few times a month 6%
Seldom 12%
Never 19%
Don't know 5%

72. What is your present religion, if any?

Protestant 27%
Roman Catholic 24%
Mormon 1%
Eastern or Greek Orthodox 1%
Jewish 2%
Muslim 2%
Buddhist 1%
Hindu 0%
Atheist 6%
Agnostic 5%
Nothing in particular 22%
Something else 9%

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Fieldwork	YouGov
Interviewing Dates	February 25 - 27, 2024
Target population	U.S. Citizens, age 18 and over
Sampling method	Respondents were selected from YouGov's opt-in panel to be representative of adult U.S. citizens.
Weighting	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 around November 1, 2022, and is weighted to the estimated distribution at that time (33% Democratic, 31% Republican). The weights range from 0.051 to 6.561, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.886.
Number of respondents	1688 1498 (Registered voters)
Margin of error	$\pm$ 3.2% (adjusted for weighting) $\pm$ 3.2% (Registered voters)
Survey mode	Web-based interviews
Questions not reported	44 questions not reported.