

The Economist/YouGov Poll



Sample 1500 US Adults
Conducted February 25 - March 1, 2017
Margin of Error $\pm 3.1\%$

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

Generally headed in the right direction	33%
Off on the wrong track	50%
Not sure	17%

2. How would you describe the mood of the country?

We're all in it together	17%
It's everyone for themselves	63%
Not sure	20%

3. Four years from now do you think the United States will be more respected or less respected in the world than it is today?

More respected than today	29%
About the same as today	16%
Less respected than today	43%
Not sure	11%

4. Four years from now do you think the United States will be more or less safe from terrorism than it is today?

More safe from terrorism than today	29%
About the same as today	27%
Less safe from terrorism than today	31%
Not sure	13%

5. Do you consider the countries listed below to be a friend or an enemy of the United States?

	Ally	Friendly	Unfriendly	Enemy	Not sure
Russian Federation	3%	14%	33%	22%	28%
China	4%	29%	26%	13%	28%
Mexico	14%	37%	22%	5%	22%
United Kingdom	53%	25%	3%	1%	18%
France	38%	37%	4%	1%	20%
Germany	35%	33%	7%	3%	22%
Italy	30%	45%	3%	1%	22%
Israel	39%	24%	9%	5%	23%
Egypt	8%	37%	18%	4%	33%
Iraq	4%	14%	31%	24%	27%
Iran	2%	6%	27%	42%	23%
Saudi Arabia	7%	27%	22%	13%	31%
North Korea	1%	6%	15%	57%	22%
The Republic of Korea (South Korea)	31%	27%	9%	8%	26%
Japan	36%	33%	7%	2%	21%
Canada	51%	31%	2%	1%	14%
Australia	44%	31%	3%	1%	21%
India	11%	49%	7%	2%	30%
Taiwan	13%	44%	7%	2%	34%
Palestine	3%	14%	32%	17%	35%

6. Do you think *Donald Trump* considers these countries to be friends or enemies of the United States?

	Ally	Friendly	Unfriendly	Enemy	Not sure
Russian Federation	14%	33%	16%	10%	28%
Mexico	5%	22%	31%	21%	21%
China	4%	21%	27%	22%	27%
Israel	37%	21%	9%	8%	25%
Australia	24%	34%	9%	5%	27%
Germany	19%	33%	13%	6%	30%

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

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know
Reince Priebus	12%	11%	11%	21%	45%
Steve Bannon	10%	13%	8%	28%	41%
Kellyanne Conway	14%	14%	9%	29%	33%
Jeff Sessions	16%	11%	10%	25%	39%
Rex Tillerson	13%	15%	11%	17%	45%
John Kelly	11%	14%	9%	12%	54%
Ivanka Trump	24%	21%	17%	20%	19%
Jared Kushner	11%	14%	13%	16%	46%

8. Do you think the Affordable Care Act/Obamacare should be expanded, kept the same, or repealed?

Expanded	34%
Kept the same	14%
Repealed	40%
Not sure	12%

9. From all that you know now, has the Affordable Care Act been a complete success, a complete failure, or something in between?

A complete success	6%
More of a success than a failure	26%
Equal amount of both failure and success	20%
More of a failure than a success	20%
A complete failure	18%
Too early to tell	3%
Not sure	8%

10. Are you, yourself, now covered by any form of health insurance or health plan or do you not have health insurance at this time? (A health plan would include any private insurance plan through your employer or a plan that you purchased yourself, as well as a government program like Medicare or Medicaid)

Covered by health insurance	79%
Not covered by health insurance	14%
Don't know	7%

11. At any point in your life have you ever NOT had health insurance coverage?

I have always had health insurance	39%
At some point, I have not had health insurance	51%
Not sure	10%

12. Donald Trump and many Republicans in Congress promised to repeal and replace Obamacare. Do you think they should...

Repeal Obamacare now and not replace it with anything	11%
Repeal Obamacare now and replace it with something else later	19%
Repeal Obamacare later when they have a replacement plan	70%

13. How likely are Donald Trump and Congress to Repeal Obamacare?

Definitely will happen	22%
Probably will happen	55%
Unlikely to happen	18%
Will never happen	5%

14. When do you think Congress will repeal Obamacare?

In the next two months	8%
Before the end of 2017	39%
Before the end of 2018	27%
Later than the end of 2018	12%
Never	14%

15. Who do you trust more to make the right decisions about...

	President			
	Trump	Congress	Both equally	Neither
Health Care Reform	21%	16%	20%	44%
Taxes	27%	15%	16%	42%
U.S. troop in the Middle East	23%	16%	21%	40%
Immigration	31%	16%	13%	39%
The environment	16%	17%	20%	46%

16. When Congress and Donald Trump disagree, do you feel...

Trump and the Administration usually turn out to be right on the facts	24%
Congress usually turns out to be right on the facts	31%
Not sure	45%

17. When the FBI and Donald Trump disagree, do you feel...

Trump and the Administration usually turn out to be right on the facts	23%
The FBI usually turns out to be right on the facts	42%
Not sure	35%

18. When the media and Donald Trump disagree, do you feel...

Trump and the Administration usually turn out to be right on the facts	34%
The media usually turns out to be right on the facts	41%
Not sure	24%

19. How often do you think mainstream media outlets report something that could be described as "fake news"?

Most of the time	24%
Sometimes	34%
Rarely	25%
Never	8%
Not sure	9%

20. Do you consider the media to be a friend or an enemy of the American people?

Ally	21%
Friendly	24%
Unfriendly	21%
Enemy	16%
Not sure	19%

21. When the President is unhappy with the way some news media cover the Administration, is it appropriate or not appropriate to punish those media by...

	Appropriate	Not appropriate
Criticizing them on Twitter	35%	65%
Excluding their representatives from presidential events and press conferences	37%	63%
Investigating whether the reporters have violated any laws	58%	42%

22. Do you think transgender people should use the bathrooms that correspond with their birth gender or with their current gender?

Birth gender	40%
Current gender	37%
Not sure	23%

23. Do you personally know someone who is transgender?

Yes	26%
No	65%
Not sure	9%

24. How important are the following issues to you?

	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not very Important	Unimportant
The economy	69%	26%	3%	1%
Immigration	52%	34%	10%	5%
The environment	52%	33%	11%	5%
Terrorism	60%	27%	9%	4%
Gay rights	24%	27%	23%	26%
Education	64%	25%	8%	3%
Health care	71%	23%	4%	3%
Social security	68%	24%	7%	2%
The budget deficit	48%	35%	11%	5%
The war in Afghanistan	34%	43%	17%	7%
Taxes	57%	34%	6%	2%
Medicare	62%	29%	7%	2%
Abortion	40%	30%	20%	9%
Foreign policy	48%	39%	11%	2%
Gun control	47%	30%	13%	10%
International trade and globalization	40%	44%	13%	3%
Use of military force	50%	37%	10%	3%

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

The economy	17%
Immigration	8%
The environment	7%
Terrorism	10%
Gay rights	2%
Education	8%
Health care	12%
Social security	17%
The budget deficit	3%
The war in Afghanistan	0%
Taxes	3%
Medicare	4%
Abortion	4%
Foreign policy	2%
Gun control	2%

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

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know
Donald Trump	26%	14%	10%	42%	7%
Mike Pence	26%	16%	13%	27%	18%
Paul Ryan	10%	23%	18%	25%	25%
Mitch McConnell	4%	18%	16%	28%	34%
Nancy Pelosi	8%	20%	15%	31%	26%
Chuck Schumer	9%	17%	12%	25%	37%

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

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know
The Democratic Party	16%	24%	19%	30%	11%
The Republican Party	13%	23%	17%	34%	12%

28. Is the Democratic Party...

Too liberal	38%
About right	27%
Not liberal enough	11%
Not sure	24%

29. Is the Republican Party...

Too conservative	36%
About right	25%
Not conservative enough	15%
Not sure	25%

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

Strongly approve	23%
Somewhat approve	18%
Somewhat disapprove	13%
Strongly disapprove	37%
Not sure	9%

31. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling these specific issues?

	Strongly approve	Somewhat approve	Somewhat disapprove	Strongly disapprove	No opinion
Abortion	16%	12%	11%	31%	30%
The budget deficit	19%	16%	12%	25%	28%
Civil rights	19%	14%	10%	34%	23%
The economy	25%	17%	12%	27%	19%
Education	17%	16%	11%	32%	24%
The environment	17%	17%	10%	34%	23%
Foreign policy	21%	18%	11%	33%	17%
Gay rights	13%	13%	11%	30%	32%
Gun control	22%	14%	10%	27%	28%
Health care	22%	17%	11%	33%	16%
Immigration	30%	13%	9%	37%	12%
Medicare	18%	16%	11%	27%	28%
Social security	17%	15%	11%	26%	31%
Taxes	23%	17%	10%	27%	23%
Terrorism	28%	15%	10%	30%	17%
Veterans	24%	15%	11%	23%	28%
Women's rights	18%	14%	10%	34%	24%

32. Would you say Donald Trump is...

Very liberal	4%
Liberal	3%
Moderate	17%
Conservative	26%
Very conservative	18%
Not sure	32%

33. Do you think Donald Trump...

Says what he believes	52%
Says what he thinks people want to hear	32%
Not sure	15%

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

Like a lot	21%
Like somewhat	21%
Dislike	48%
Not sure	11%

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

A lot	24%
Some	14%
Not much	14%
Doesn't care at all	39%
Not sure	9%

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

Very strong	30%
Somewhat strong	24%
Somewhat weak	15%
Very weak	31%

37. Do you think Donald Trump is honest and trustworthy, or not?

Honest and trustworthy	34%
Not honest and trustworthy	50%
Not sure	17%

38. Regardless of your overall opinion of Donald Trump, do you feel he has the qualifications to be president?

Qualified to be president	37%
Not qualified to be president	50%
Not sure	13%

39. Regardless of your overall opinion of Donald Trump, do you feel he has enough experience to be president?

Has enough experience	33%
Does not have enough experience	54%
Not sure	13%

40. Do you think Donald Trump has the temperament to be the President?

Yes	32%
No	54%
Not sure	13%

41. How likely do you think it is that Donald Trump will get us into a war?

Very likely	30%
Fairly likely	26%
Fairly unlikely	17%
Very unlikely	11%
Not sure	16%

42. Do you think the way Donald Trump uses Twitter is appropriate or inappropriate for the President of the United States?

Appropriate	21%
Inappropriate	61%
Not sure	18%

43. Are you optimistic or pessimistic about the next four years with Donald Trump as President?

Optimistic	38%
Pessimistic	44%
Not sure	19%

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

Strongly approve	3%
Somewhat approve	14%
Neither approve nor disapprove	21%
Somewhat disapprove	18%
Strongly disapprove	29%
Not sure	15%

45. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the following groups in Congress?

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know
Democrats in Congress	10%	24%	20%	29%	17%
Republicans in Congress	8%	23%	18%	34%	17%

46. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Paul Ryan is handling his job as Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives?

Strongly approve	8%
Somewhat approve	26%
Somewhat disapprove	16%
Strongly disapprove	23%
Not sure	27%

47. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Mitch McConnell is handling his job as Majority Leader of the U.S. Senate?

Strongly approve	6%
Somewhat approve	21%
Somewhat disapprove	15%
Strongly disapprove	27%
Not sure	32%

48. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Chuck Schumer is handling his job as Minority Leader of the U.S. Senate?

Strongly approve	7%
Somewhat approve	20%
Somewhat disapprove	13%
Strongly disapprove	23%
Not sure	37%

49. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Nancy Pelosi is handling her job as the Minority Leader of the U.S. House of Representatives?

Strongly approve	7%
Somewhat approve	20%
Somewhat disapprove	14%
Strongly disapprove	29%
Not sure	30%

50. Do you think this new congress will accomplish more or less than usual?

More than usual	29%
About the same	29%
Less than usual	20%
Not sure	22%

51. Who do you think will be more to blame for Congress achieving less than usual?

Asked if respondent says Congress will accomplish less than usual

Democrats in Congress	11%
Republicans in Congress	49%
Both equally	33%
Neither	4%
Not sure	4%

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

Getting better	27%
About the same	36%
Getting worse	21%
Not sure	15%

53. Do you think the stock market will be higher or lower 12 months from now?

Higher	29%
About the same	24%
Lower	21%
Not sure	26%

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

Better off financially than you were a year ago	18%
About the same financially as you were a year ago	51%
Worse off financially than you were a year ago	23%
Not sure	9%

55. Six months from now do you think there will be...

More jobs	35%
The same amount of jobs	29%
Fewer jobs	18%
Not sure	18%

56. How worried are you about losing your job?

Very worried	9%
Somewhat worried	29%
Not very worried	62%

57. If you lost your job, how hard would it be for you to find a new job that paid as much as you are making now?

Very hard – I would probably have to take a pay cut.	28%
Somewhat hard – It might take a while before I found a job that paid as much.	37%
Not very hard	23%
Not sure	12%

58. How happy would you say you are with your current job?

Very happy	29%
Happy	34%
Neither happy nor unhappy	29%
Unhappy	6%
Very unhappy	2%

59. Some people seem to follow what’s going on in government and public affairs most of the time, whether there’s an election going on or not. Others aren’t that interested. Would you say you follow what’s going on in government and public affairs ... ?

Most of the time	41%
Some of the time	30%
Only now and then	18%
Hardly at all	7%
Don’t know	5%

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

Liberal	24%
Moderate	30%
Conservative	33%
Not sure	14%

61. Thinking about politics these days, how would you describe your own political viewpoint?

Very liberal	10%
Liberal	14%
Moderate	30%
Conservative	21%
Very Conservative	12%
Not sure	14%

62. Are you registered to vote?

Registered	70%
Not registered	30%

63. Did you vote in the election on Tuesday 8 November 2016?

Yes	55%
No	45%

64. Who did you vote for in the election for President?

Hillary Clinton	26%
Donald Trump	25%
Gary Johnson	1%
Jill Stein	1%
Evan McMullin	0%
Other	1%
Did not vote for President	46%

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

Democrat	32%
Republican	25%
Independent	29%
Other	3%
Not sure	11%

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

Strong Democrat	19%
Not very strong Democrat	13%
Lean Democrat	9%
Independent	17%
Lean Republican	9%
Not very strong Republican	9%
Strong Republican	16%
Not sure	7%

67. Would you describe yourself as a libertarian?

Yes	12%
No	57%
Not sure	31%

68. Would you describe yourself as a progressive?

Yes	31%
No	37%
Not sure	32%

69. Are you male or female?

Male	49%
Female	51%

70. Respondent age by category

Under 30	22%
30-44	24%
45-64	34%
65+	21%

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

HS or less	39%
Some college	33%
College grad	18%
Postgrad	10%

72. What is your marital status?

Married	45%
Separated	2%
Divorced	11%
Widowed	6%
Single	31%
Domestic partnership	5%

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

Yes	26%
No	74%

74. Calculated from respondent's state of residence

Northeast	21%
Midwest	21%
South	38%
West	21%

75. How would you describe the place where you live?

City	33%
Suburb	32%
Town	13%
Rural area	20%
Other	1%

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

Full-time employed	32%
Part-time employed	13%
Self-employed	-
Unemployed or temporarily on layoff	11%
Retired	23%
Permanently disabled	11%
Homemaker	8%
Other	1%

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

Under \$50K	50%
\$50-100K	23%
\$100K or more	11%
Prefer not to say	15%

78. We’d like to know whether you or someone in your immediate family is currently serving or has ever served in the U.S. military. Immediate family is defined as your parents, siblings, spouse, and children. Please check all boxes that apply.

I am	1%
Family member	7%
I served previously	12%
Family served previously	37%
None	48%

79. Are you or is someone in your household a member of a labor union?

Yes, I am	8%
Yes, household member is	7%
No	86%

80. How important is religion in your life?

Very important	42%
Somewhat important	25%
Not too important	14%
Not at all important	19%

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

More than once a week	8%
Once a week	18%
Once or twice a month	8%
A few times a year	17%
Seldom	21%
Never	27%
Don't know	3%

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

Yes	30%
No	70%

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

Several times a day	29%
Once a day	14%
A few times a week	10%
Once a week	4%
A few times a month	7%
Seldom	15%
Never	17%
Don't know	4%

84. What is your present religion, if any?

Protestant	34%
Roman Catholic	19%
Mormon	2%
Eastern or Greek Orthodox	0%
Jewish	3%
Muslim	4%
Buddhist	0%
Hindu	1%
Atheist	5%
Agnostic	6%
Nothing in particular	20%
Something else	5%

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Sponsorship	<i>The Economist</i>
Fieldwork	YouGov
Interviewing Dates	February 25 - March 1, 2017
Target population	US Adult Population
Sampling method	Respondents were selected from YouGov's opt-in Internet panel using sample matching. A random sample (stratified by gender, age, race, education, and region) was selected from the 2014 American Community Study. Voter registration was imputed from the November 2014 Current Population Survey Registration and Voting Supplement.
Weighting	The sample was weighted based on gender, age, race, education, and 2016 Presidential vote. The weights range from 0.2 to 6.3, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.69.
Number of respondents	1500 1251 (Registered voters)
Margin of error	± 3.1% (adjusted for weighting) ± 3.2% (Registered voters)
Survey mode	Web-based interviews
Questions not reported	44 questions not reported.