

January Issue Survey

January 28-29, 2026

This poll surveyed 1,299 registered voters via online panel from January 28, 2026 to January 29, 2026. Results were weighted by gender, age, race, and education to match population demographics. The margin of error is ± 3.1 percentage points at the 95% confidence level.

Where do you get your political news?

Social media like TikTok, Facebook and X	21%
Newspaper	6%
Talk radio	4%
Cable News like CBS, CNN, Fox News, etc.	36%
Broadcast news like your local stations or network nightly news	22%
Friends and family	6%
Podcasts	6%

Which comes closer to your view on deportations in the United States?

We should seek to deport all people who are in the country illegally	36%
We should only deport people who are here illegally if they have committed violent crimes	51%
We shouldn't deport anyone here illegally, even if they have committed crimes, we should establish a path to citizenship for everyone	8%
Not sure	6%

Which comes closer to your view on energy?

The goal of energy policy should be to take use of all American energy including renewables, nuclear and oil and gas to keep energy prices low	50%
The goal of energy policy should be to shift from oil and gas to renewables to protect the climate	40%
Not sure	10%

Trump signed an executive order meant to limit large institutional investors from competing with individual homebuyers for single-family homes. Do you believe it will improve housing affordability?

Strongly believe it will improve affordability	19%
Somewhat believe will improve affordability	32%
Somewhat do not believe it will improve affordability	19%
Strongly do not believe it will improve affordability	14%
Not sure	17%

The "One Big Beautiful Bill Act" permanently extends individual income tax cuts and creates new tax exemptions for tips and overtime pay, while also increasing the Child Tax Credit. To offset these costs, the legislation repeals green energy tax credits for electric vehicles and requires stricter work requirements for welfare beneficiaries. The bill also establishes government-funded savings accounts for newborns and allocates \$150 billion in new funding for border security infrastructure.

The average taxpayer will see a \$1,000 increase in their tax refund. Do you support or oppose the One Big Beautiful Bill Act?

Strongly support	28%
Somewhat support	26%
Somewhat oppose	14%
Strongly oppose	19%
Not sure	12%

Do you support or oppose permanently extending the 2017 federal income tax rates for individuals, preventing them from expiring at the end of 2025?

Strongly support	23%
Somewhat support	28%
Somewhat oppose	10%
Strongly oppose	9%
Not sure	30%

Do you support or oppose ending taxes on tip income and overtime pay?

Strongly support	42%
Somewhat support	27%
Somewhat oppose	11%
Strongly oppose	10%
Not sure	10%

Do you support or oppose allowing individuals to deduct interest on car loans for cars made in America?

Strongly support	32%
Somewhat support	33%
Somewhat oppose	13%
Strongly oppose	7%
Not sure	15%

Do you support or oppose increasing the Child Tax Credit by \$200 per child?

Strongly support	42%
Somewhat support	32%
Somewhat oppose	8%
Strongly oppose	7%
Not sure	11%

Do you support or oppose requiring able-bodied adults on Medicaid to work or volunteer to get taxpayer funded health benefits?

Strongly support	33%
Somewhat support	30%
Somewhat oppose	14%
Strongly oppose	12%
Not sure	11%

Do you support or oppose barring non-citizen from accessing government welfare programs?

Strongly support	43%
Somewhat support	21%
Somewhat oppose	13%
Strongly oppose	12%
Not sure	11%

Do you support or oppose repealing federal tax subsidies for purchasing electric vehicles?

Strongly support	19%
Somewhat support	21%
Somewhat oppose	20%
Strongly oppose	20%
Not sure	19%

Do you support or oppose expanding oil and gas leasing on public lands and providing new tax incentives for coal production?

Strongly support	18%
Somewhat support	22%
Somewhat oppose	16%
Strongly oppose	26%
Not sure	19%

Do you support or oppose allocating \$150 billion in new funding specifically for border security?

Strongly support	24%
Somewhat support	21%
Somewhat oppose	17%
Strongly oppose	28%
Not sure	10%

Creating savings accounts for children, where the federal government provides a one-time \$1,000 contribution for newborns.

Strongly support	30%
Somewhat support	31%
Somewhat oppose	14%
Strongly oppose	12%
Not sure	13%

The One Big Beautiful Bill Act keeps tax credits for building solar and other renewable energy but gets rid of tax credits for purchasing electric vehicles. The Inflation Reduction Act includes tax credits for building solar, wind and other renewables as well as a subsidy for buying electric vehicles.

Which approach do you prefer:

Tax incentives for building renewable infrastructure and subsidies for electric vehicles	43%
Not sure	15%
Tax incentives for building renewable infrastructure but no subsidies for electric vehicles	42%

Are you paying lower taxes now than you were when Biden was President?

Lower now	26%
Lower when Biden was President	31%
Not sure	44%

Is the border more secure now than when Biden was President?

More secure now	53%
More secure when Biden was President	24%
Not sure	23%

Have you heard about the recent incident in which Minnesota resident Alex Pretti was killed by federal law enforcement?

Yes, heard a lot	64%
Yes, heard a little	26%
No, haven't heard	11%

Do you support or oppose a full investigation into Alex Pretti's death?

Strongly support	64%
Somewhat support	16%
Somewhat oppose	6%
Strongly oppose	5%
Not sure	9%

Senate Democrats are planning to shut down the government due to the killing of Alex Pretti, demanding that Trump remove ICE agents from Minnesota and improve agent training before they open up the government.

Do you support or oppose the Democratic Party's decision to shut down the government until conditions are met regarding immigration enforcement?

Strongly support shutting down government	25%
Somewhat support shutting down government	16%
Somewhat oppose shutting down government	14%
Strongly oppose shutting down government	36%
Not sure	9%

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Which comes closer to your view?

These are separate issues. Democrats shouldn't shut down the government, which will delay flights, cut off necessary social services and disrupt Courts to achieve their goals on unrelated issues like immigration.	38%
These issues are related but shutting down the government causes more problems than it would be fixing.	26%
If Democrats don't shut down the government now, there will never be reform to the way immigration laws are enforced. More Americans will die unnecessarily at the hands of immigration enforcement.	26%
Not sure	10%

When it comes to Alex Pretti's death, which comes closer to your view:

Alex Pretti's death was tragic, but it was an isolated incident. Immigration enforcement officials have tough jobs and sometimes things like this happen. It shouldn't change our approach to immigration laws.	33%
Alex Pretti's death is caused by President Trump and Kristi Noem's aggressive immigration approach. They aren't training agents enough and putting them in volatile situations. We need to enforce immigration laws, but not like this. We need reform.	36%
Alex Pretti's death shows that immigration enforcement is fundamentally brutal. We need to abolish ICE and Border Patrol and start over with a new approach.	22%
Not sure	10%

Does showing up to a peaceful protest with a gun increase your chances of being physically harmed?

No	20%
Yes	65%
Not sure	15%

Do you support or oppose Congress using the budget reconciliation process to reduce the deficit and control federal spending?

Strongly support	20%
Somewhat support	26%
Somewhat oppose	12%
Strongly oppose	7%
Not sure	35%

Do you support or oppose rolling back unused or wasteful federal spending through the reconciliation process?

Strongly support	26%
Somewhat support	32%
Somewhat oppose	9%
Strongly oppose	5%
Not sure	28%

Do you support or oppose extending tax relief for working families, as long as it does not increase the deficit?

Strongly support	40%
Somewhat support	36%
Somewhat oppose	6%
Strongly oppose	5%
Not sure	13%

Which comes closer to your view on budget reconciliation?

Reconciliation should focus on reducing inflation rather than expanding government programs	52%
Reconciliation should focus on expanding government programs to help Americans	35%
Not sure	13%

Do you support or oppose reducing the number of detention beds available for Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) to hold individuals awaiting deportation proceedings?

Strongly support	17%
Somewhat support	20%
Somewhat oppose	16%
Strongly oppose	21%
Not sure	27%

President Trump has suggested withholding federal dollars to states that declare themselves a "sanctuary" that will not cooperate with authorities or help enforce America's immigration laws.

Do you support or oppose this policy?

Strongly support	26%
Somewhat support	14%
Somewhat oppose	12%
Strongly oppose	38%
Not sure	10%

Should states or cities be able to declare themselves sanctuary states if they are disobeying federal immigration laws?

Yes	29%
No	47%
Not sure	24%

During COVID, Democrats established two years of subsidies for individuals to get Obamacare - sometimes for free. Democrats are now asking for billions to continue the subsidies. Republicans say the two-year time limit should not be renewed.

Which comes closer to your view?

The subsidies should be continued and made permanent	28%
The subsidies should be extended for another limited period	24%
The subsidies should be allowed to expire as originally planned	33%
Not sure	14%

Do you support or oppose reforming pharmacy benefit managers (PBMs) - the middlemen between drug manufacturers and patients - to lower prescription drug costs?

Strongly support	45%
Somewhat support	29%
Somewhat oppose	7%
Strongly oppose	3%
Not sure	16%

Do you support or oppose expanding funding for "community health centers" that provide primary care in underserved areas?

Strongly support	44%
Somewhat support	31%
Somewhat oppose	8%
Strongly oppose	3%
Not sure	14%

If you had to choose, would you prefer:

Fewer services and lower taxes	51%
More services and higher taxes	30%
Not sure	20%

Which comes closer to your view on raising the Social Security retirement age?

The retirement age should be raised to 70 for everyone equally -----	11%
The retirement age should be raised to 70 for most workers, but workers in physically demanding blue-collar jobs should be allowed to retire earlier -----	17%
The retirement age should not be raised at all -----	63%
Not sure -----	9%

Which comes closest to your view on raising the retirement age for Social Security?

The retirement age should be raised to 70 for everyone equally -----	12%
The retirement age should be raised to 70 for most workers, but workers in physically demanding blue-collar jobs should be allowed to retire earlier -----	16%
The retirement age should not be raised at all -----	63%
Not sure -----	9%

The "Don" Down Payment program would create a zero-to-low down payment option through the Federal Housing Administration (FHA) for creditworthy borrowers. Do you support or oppose this program?

Strongly support -----	23%
Somewhat support -----	34%
Somewhat oppose -----	11%
Strongly oppose -----	7%
Not sure -----	26%

Do you support or oppose imposing a substantial tax penalty on foreign nationals who purchase land and real estate in the United States for investment purposes?

Strongly support -----	42%
Somewhat support -----	24%
Somewhat oppose -----	11%
Strongly oppose -----	5%
Not sure -----	18%

Do you support or oppose imposing a 5 percent tax on funds sent by non-citizens back to their country of origin?

Strongly support -----	32%
Somewhat support -----	19%
Somewhat oppose -----	16%
Strongly oppose -----	16%
Not sure -----	17%

Do you support or oppose making undocumented, illegal, immigrants ineligible for Medicaid, food assistance (SNAP), housing assistance, and other government benefits?

Strongly support	39%
Somewhat support	19%
Somewhat oppose	13%
Strongly oppose	16%
Not sure	13%

Do you support or oppose ending the Child and Dependent Care Tax Credit requirement that both parents work, so that families with a stay-at-home parent can also receive the tax credit?

Strongly support	24%
Somewhat support	26%
Somewhat oppose	15%
Strongly oppose	14%
Not sure	20%

Currently, federal agencies can issue major regulations without Congressional approval. Do you support or oppose requiring Congress to approve any new federal regulation that would have a significant economic impact before it can take effect?

Strongly support	26%
Somewhat support	23%
Somewhat oppose	15%
Strongly oppose	11%
Not sure	25%

Do you support or oppose selling or leasing underused federal government buildings and properties to expand access to affordable private-sector housing?

Strongly support	30%
Somewhat support	36%
Somewhat oppose	10%
Strongly oppose	7%
Not sure	17%

Do you support or oppose imposing a tax penalty on colleges and universities that allow biological males to compete in women's sports?

Strongly support	34%
Somewhat support	14%
Somewhat oppose	12%
Strongly oppose	23%
Not sure	17%

Gas prices have fallen in many states, with some areas seeing prices below \$2.50 per gallon. How would you rate current gas prices?

Very affordable	21%
Somewhat affordable	49%
Somewhat unaffordable	16%
Very unaffordable	6%
Not sure	8%

Egg prices spiked earlier this year due to bird flu but have since come down significantly. Have you noticed egg prices decreasing at the grocery store?

Yes, prices have come down a lot	24%
Yes, prices have come down somewhat	35%
No, prices are about the same	16%
No, prices are still high	15%
Not sure / haven't been paying attention	10%

Do you support or oppose eliminating federal income taxes on tips for service workers like waiters, bartenders, and hotel staff?

Strongly support	43%
Somewhat support	26%
Somewhat oppose	11%
Strongly oppose	10%
Not sure	11%

The recent tax cuts are expected to save the average American family between \$1,000 and \$4,000 per year. If you received this amount in tax savings, would it make a meaningful difference in your household finances?

Yes, a very meaningful difference	32%
Yes, a somewhat meaningful difference	32%
Not much of a difference	19%
No difference at all	7%
Not sure	9%

The U.S. economy grew at 4.3% GDP growth over the past year. Were you aware of this?

Yes, I was aware	33%
No, I was not aware	53%
Not sure	14%

How much credit does President Trump deserve for strong GDP growth?

A great deal	26%
Some	19%
Not much	19%
None at all	26%
Not sure	10%

Oil prices are approximately 20% lower than they were a year ago. How much credit does President Trump deserve for lower energy prices?

A great deal	27%
Some	22%
Not much	17%
None at all	24%
Not sure	9%

Unemployment remains below 4.5%. How would you rate the current job market?

Excellent	5%
Good	27%
Fair	35%
Poor	24%
Not sure	9%

The American stock markets have risen by about 20% over the past year. Does this affect you personally?

Yes, significantly - I have investments/retirement accounts	20%
Yes, somewhat - I have some exposure to the market	23%
Not much - I have limited investments	18%
Not at all - I don't have any investments	32%
Not sure	7%

Inflation is currently at 2.7%. How would you rate current inflation levels?

Very manageable	8%
Somewhat manageable	28%
Somewhat too high	33%
Much too high	21%
Not sure	11%

Do you believe crime rates have improved, stayed the same, or gotten worse over the past year?

Improved significantly	8%
Improved somewhat	20%
Stayed about the same	29%
Gotten somewhat worse	18%
Gotten significantly worse	16%
Not sure	9%

Illegal border crossings have reportedly dropped by 95% since President Trump took office. How would you rate the administration's performance on border security?

Excellent	31%
Good	23%
Fair	15%
Poor	21%
Not sure	10%

Taking everything into account - GDP growth, lower oil prices, low unemployment, stock market gains, and reduced inflation - how would you rate President Trump's overall management of the economy?

Excellent	20%
Good	22%
Fair	18%
Poor	33%
Not sure	7%

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Yes, a very meaningful difference	30%
Yes, a somewhat meaningful difference	33%
Not much of a difference	22%
No difference at all	8%
Not sure	7%

Do you support or oppose ensuring mail in and absentee ballots that have been sent in early are counted in time to reach a final verdict on election day?

Strongly support	51%
Somewhat support	19%
Somewhat oppose	8%
Strongly oppose	8%
Don't know	14%

Do you support or oppose making sure that foreign actors, including governments, corporations, and individuals are prohibited from spending money on elections in America?

Strongly support	61%
Somewhat support	14%
Somewhat oppose	8%
Strongly oppose	4%
Don't know	14%

Do you support or oppose requiring all ballot counting machines and software to be made in America?

Strongly support	52%
Somewhat support	21%
Somewhat oppose	6%
Strongly oppose	4%
Don't know	18%

Do you support or oppose requiring states to maintain comprehensive and modern databases of their voter rolls so that it is easy to identify who is allowed to vote?

Strongly support	55%
Somewhat support	23%
Somewhat oppose	5%
Strongly oppose	5%
Don't know	12%

Do you support or oppose ensuring that states require up to date valid identification of each voter before their vote is counted?

Strongly support	55%
Somewhat support	22%
Somewhat oppose	7%
Strongly oppose	6%
Don't know	10%

Do you support or oppose requiring the use of a paper ballot so that every vote can be counted in the event that a recount is necessary?

Strongly support	39%
Somewhat support	24%
Somewhat oppose	11%
Strongly oppose	10%
Don't know	16%

Do you support or oppose requiring states to use statistically sound methods for auditing votes when ensuring elections are valid so that no election can be certified incorrectly?

Strongly support	54%
Somewhat support	24%
Somewhat oppose	6%
Strongly oppose	3%
Don't know	14%

Do you support or oppose requiring up to date information for all absentee voters so that there can be no question as to whether or not an absentee ballot is genuine?

Strongly support	57%
Somewhat support	24%
Somewhat oppose	5%
Strongly oppose	3%
Don't know	11%

Do you support or oppose requiring a specific chain of custody and procedure to be followed for ballots, voting machines, election records, and voter rolls, so that tampering with the process is more difficult?

Strongly support	56%
Somewhat support	20%
Somewhat oppose	6%
Strongly oppose	6%
Don't know	11%

Excess carbon pollution is harming the oceans. But over long periods of time, natural processes can help restore ocean health. For example, as rocks break down, minerals are washed into seawater, which helps counteract the acidic effects of carbon pollution.

Before today, were you aware that this is a natural process that already happens?

Yes, very aware	15%
Somewhat aware	30%
Not very aware	26%
Not at all aware	29%

Scientists are studying whether carefully adding more of these naturally occurring minerals could safely speed up this process—helping ocean waters address carbon pollution while supporting healthy waters for fish and wildlife.

Does this generally sound like a good idea or a bad idea?

Very good idea	21%
Somewhat good idea	59%
Somewhat bad idea	14%
Very bad idea	6%

Do you agree or disagree that the United States should explore additional ways to protect ocean health and address carbon pollution—as long as they are tested and safe?

Strongly agree	46%
Somewhat agree	43%
Somewhat disagree	8%
Strongly disagree	3%

What is your political affiliation?

Democratic	30%
Republican	31%
Independent	35%
Other	3%