

September 2026 National Tracking - Economics

Full Crosstabulations

FIELD DATES	8/29/2026 - 9/1/2026
SAMPLE SIZE	1,106 Adults
MARGIN OF ERROR	±3.2%
WEIGHTING EFFICIENCY	87.4%
METHODOLOGY	Combination of online panel and Interactive Voice Response (IVR) survey of adults, weighted to match known demographic and political benchmarks.

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Sample Composition

Unweighted vs. weighted composition of the variables used in weighting.

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	Unweighted %	Weighted %
Are you male or female?		
Male	48%	49%
Female	52%	51%
Where do you live?		
Northeast	17%	17%
South	38%	39%
Midwest	21%	20%
West	24%	24%
What is the highest level of education you have completed?		
Attended high school but did not graduate	5%	8%
High school graduate	31%	26%
Attended college but did not complete	22%	27%
College graduate	29%	22%
Graduate school	10%	15%
Not sure	2%	2%

	Unweighted %	Weighted %
Age		
18-29	17%	20%
30-39	16%	18%
40-49	19%	16%
50-64	29%	23%
65+	19%	23%
Combined race		
White	58%	59%
Black or African-American	12%	12%
Hispanic	18%	18%
Asian	8%	8%
Some other race	4%	3%
Party ID, leaned		
Republican	38%	41%
Democrat	44%	48%
Independent	13%	8%
Something else	2%	1%
Not sure	3%	2%

How would you rate the U.S. economy these days — excellent, good, fair, or poor?

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	Are you 18 or older?	Are you male or female?		Generation					Combined race				
	Adults	Male	Female	Gen Z	Millennial	Gen X	Boomer	Silent	White	Black/Af-Am	Hispanic	Asian	Other race
Excellent	9%	11%	7%	13%	10%	8%	6%	4%	7%	12%	12%	14%	8%
Good	18%	21%	16%	23%	17%	16%	17%	36%	19%	18%	19%	17%	15%
Fair	28%	31%	26%	23%	30%	27%	33%	19%	30%	26%	26%	29%	19%
Poor	40%	34%	45%	33%	38%	44%	42%	41%	41%	38%	37%	38%	49%
Not sure	4%	3%	6%	8%	5%	5%	2%	0%	4%	5%	6%	2%	9%
Unweighted n	1,106	535	571	169	289	366	261	21	643	129	203	87	44
Weighted n	1,106	542	564	196	292	302	289	27	653	133	199	83	39

	Party ID, leaned				How would you rate the U.S. economy these days — excellent, good, fair, or poor?				How would you rate your personal finances these days — excellent, good, fair, or poor?			
	Rep.	Dem.	Ind.	Other	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
Excellent	15%	5%	2%	0%	100%	0%	0%	0%	51%	7%	2%	1%
Good	30%	10%	14%	8%	0%	100%	0%	0%	28%	37%	14%	6%
Fair	34%	25%	25%	13%	0%	0%	100%	0%	11%	34%	39%	21%
Poor	18%	59%	40%	49%	0%	0%	0%	100%	10%	20%	42%	69%
Not sure	3%	0%	20%	31%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	3%	3%
Unweighted n	415	489	144	22	86	190	311	455	117	248	345	349
Weighted n	458	528	86	13	98	202	315	442	131	261	342	334

Are economic conditions getting better, worse, or staying about the same?

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Better	16%	20%	12%	15%	19%	17%	12%	17%	15%	12%	21%	16%	13%
Worse	57%	55%	60%	52%	57%	58%	61%	59%	58%	60%	55%	51%	65%
Staying the same	21%	21%	21%	24%	18%	19%	24%	25%	21%	24%	17%	27%	17%
Not sure	6%	5%	7%	9%	6%	6%	2%	0%	5%	4%	7%	6%	5%
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	Rep.	Dem.	Ind.	Other	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
Better	30%	6%	6%	8%	72%	34%	11%	1%	55%	24%	8%	4%
Worse	38%	76%	53%	61%	16%	25%	53%	90%	30%	44%	61%	81%
Staying the same	27%	16%	21%	12%	12%	38%	31%	8%	14%	29%	27%	13%
Not sure	4%	2%	20%	19%	0%	3%	5%	1%	2%	4%	4%	2%
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How would you rate your personal finances these days — excellent, good, fair, or poor?

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Excellent	12%	15%	9%	18%	13%	8%	9%	24%	10%	16%	15%	15%	11%
Good	24%	26%	21%	26%	23%	19%	26%	40%	24%	23%	21%	34%	14%
Fair	31%	28%	34%	26%	30%	32%	35%	24%	34%	28%	27%	28%	19%
Poor	30%	28%	32%	24%	30%	37%	29%	12%	30%	30%	32%	21%	47%
Not sure	3%	3%	4%	5%	5%	4%	1%	0%	3%	3%	5%	2%	8%
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Excellent	18%	8%	3%	9%	68%	18%	5%	3%	100%	0%	0%	0%
Good	32%	19%	14%	3%	19%	48%	29%	12%	0%	100%	0%	0%
Fair	27%	35%	33%	22%	6%	24%	42%	33%	0%	0%	100%	0%
Poor	22%	36%	35%	51%	5%	9%	23%	52%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Not sure	2%	1%	14%	15%	2%	1%	2%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%
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Better	19%	24%	14%	25%	24%	15%	13%	18%	17%	29%	18%	24%	12%
Worse	39%	37%	42%	31%	41%	43%	40%	32%	38%	36%	44%	32%	64%
Staying the same	38%	37%	39%	36%	32%	36%	46%	50%	42%	31%	32%	41%	16%
Not sure	4%	3%	5%	8%	4%	6%	1%	0%	4%	4%	6%	3%	8%
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Better	29%	12%	11%	5%	63%	30%	17%	6%	69%	30%	8%	3%
Worse	26%	50%	43%	50%	14%	21%	33%	60%	11%	15%	37%	74%
Staying the same	43%	35%	32%	23%	21%	48%	48%	32%	18%	54%	52%	21%
Not sure	2%	2%	15%	21%	2%	2%	1%	2%	3%	1%	3%	2%
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Will children growing up in America today have a better, worse, or about the same standard of living as their parents?

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	Adults	Male	Female	Gen Z	Millennial	Gen X	Boomer	Silent	White	Black/Af-Am	Hispanic	Asian	Other race
Better	17%	19%	15%	22%	23%	15%	11%	17%	15%	25%	19%	22%	16%
Worse	53%	50%	56%	46%	52%	55%	59%	37%	56%	42%	52%	47%	57%
About the same	19%	21%	16%	23%	15%	19%	20%	16%	16%	22%	22%	27%	15%
Not sure	11%	10%	12%	9%	10%	11%	11%	29%	13%	11%	7%	4%	12%
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	Rep.	Dem.	Ind.	Other	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
Better	26%	12%	5%	8%	60%	35%	13%	4%	57%	24%	11%	4%
Worse	38%	67%	54%	67%	16%	25%	52%	80%	15%	40%	61%	76%
About the same	25%	15%	16%	8%	18%	33%	24%	10%	20%	28%	20%	11%
Not sure	11%	6%	26%	18%	5%	7%	11%	6%	8%	7%	9%	9%
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Does the U.S. economy work mainly for average working people, mainly for the wealthy and well-connected, or fairly for everyone?

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Mainly for average working people	13%	15%	11%	23%	15%	11%	6%	8%	10%	23%	14%	13%	13%
Mainly for the wealthy and well-connected	64%	64%	65%	55%	63%	64%	73%	55%	67%	61%	62%	58%	56%
Fairly for everyone	14%	15%	13%	13%	12%	15%	13%	31%	14%	6%	14%	23%	20%
Not sure	9%	6%	12%	9%	11%	10%	7%	5%	9%	9%	10%	6%	10%
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	Rep.	Dem.	Ind.	Other	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
Mainly for average working people	19%	10%	2%	4%	58%	24%	6%	4%	55%	16%	4%	4%
Mainly for the wealthy and well-connected	51%	79%	59%	41%	25%	41%	71%	85%	25%	59%	72%	82%
Fairly for everyone	22%	7%	12%	9%	11%	29%	16%	6%	15%	20%	16%	6%
Not sure	8%	4%	27%	46%	5%	6%	7%	5%	5%	5%	8%	8%
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How often do you trust the government in Washington to do what's right — just about always, most of the time, some of the time, or never?

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Just about always	8%	9%	8%	17%	11%	6%	3%	0%	5%	16%	11%	11%	5%
Most of the time	18%	21%	15%	25%	18%	17%	15%	12%	15%	14%	27%	23%	17%
Only some of the time	40%	40%	41%	32%	35%	41%	49%	60%	44%	35%	31%	43%	40%
Never	28%	25%	30%	17%	29%	29%	32%	18%	29%	29%	24%	19%	31%
Not sure	6%	5%	7%	9%	7%	7%	2%	10%	6%	7%	7%	4%	7%
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Just about always	12%	6%	1%	0%	52%	12%	2%	1%	40%	9%	3%	1%
Most of the time	25%	13%	12%	0%	33%	35%	20%	6%	28%	34%	13%	8%
Only some of the time	42%	43%	28%	23%	10%	38%	59%	39%	20%	42%	52%	39%
Never	17%	35%	36%	43%	2%	10%	15%	51%	9%	11%	29%	47%
Not sure	4%	3%	23%	33%	2%	4%	4%	3%	3%	4%	3%	5%
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