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Note: Numbers may not add to 100% due to rounding.

Question 2

Q2. When you follow the news these days, how interested are you in reports about the following?

Q2/2. National news (% very + somewhat interested)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
1974	89	96	90	87	6
1978	86	87	83	86	4
1982	86	89	86	86	3
1986	85	92	85	83	7
1990	86	90	86	89	4
1994	90	na	na	na	na
1998	87	92	87	85	5
2002	94	97	93	91	4
2015	79	81	82	75	-1
2016	82	83	83	80	0
2018	77	78	81	73	-3
2020	79	75	85	76	-10
2021	80	80	81	78	-1
2022	80	81	86	75	-5
2023	77	73	85	73	-12
2025	81	80	85	77	-5
2026	78	76	84	75	-8

Q2/4. News about the relations of the United States with other countries (% very + somewhat interested)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
1974	83	87	83	81	4
1978	79	82	79	83	3
1982	81	84	81	80	3

1986	83	89	79	84	10
1990	86	89	88	87	1
1994	88	na	na	na	na
1998	84	86	83	84	3
2002	93	94	95	89	-1
2004	83	86	87	78	-1
2006	84	89	86	80	3
2008	79	82	81	74	1
2010	81	80	81	81	-1
2015	75	76	77	73	-1
2016	77	78	79	75	-1
2018	75	74	79	71	-5
2020	77	74	83	76	-9
2021	76	79	76	75	3
March 2022	77	80	83	70	-3
2022	76	77	81	71	-4
2023	72	72	78	67	-6
2025	79	79	83	75	-4
2026	77	77	81	75	-4

Q2/17. The US economy (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2025	85	88	88	82	0
2026	84	85	87	81	-2

Q2/17. The 2026 midterm elections (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2026	68	68	79	61	-11

Summary of Q2 - 2026 data only

Q2. Interest in reports of the following news (% very + somewhat interested)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
Q2/2. National news	78	76	84	75	-8
Q2/4. News about the relations of the United States with other countries	77	77	81	75	-4
Q2/17. The US economy	84	85	87	81	-2
Q2/18. The 2026 midterm elections	68	68	79	61	-11

Question 131

Q131. Do you think US leaders are giving each of the following issues too much attention, not enough attention, or about the right amount of attention?

Q131/2b. US-China relations (% too much attention)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2026	13	9	13	15	-4

Q131/5. Climate change (% too much attention)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2023	28	58	5	27	53
2024	26	53	4	24	49
2026	21	41	2	18	39

Q131/7. Immigration (% too much attention)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2024	17	6	26	17	-20
2026	39	19	53	44	-34

Q131/9. Inflation (% too much attention)					
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	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2026	5	7	4	4	3

Q131/11. The war in Iran (% too much attention)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2026	27	22	31	28	-9

Summary of Q131 - 2026 data only

Q131. US leaders' attention (% too much attention)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
Q131/2b. US-China relations	13	9	13	15	-4
Q131/5. Climate change	21	41	2	18	39
Q131/7. Immigration	39	19	53	44	-34
Q131/9. Inflation	5	7	4	4	3
Q131/11. The war in Iran	27	22	31	28	-9

Q131. US leaders' attention (% not enough attention)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
Q131/2b. US-China relations	41	35	48	42	-13
Q131/5. Climate change	57	24	86	62	-62
Q131/7. Immigration	32	37	30	30	7
Q131/9. Inflation	71	57	82	75	-25
Q131/11. The war in Iran	35	22	45	39	-23

Question 3

Q3. Do you think it will be best for the future of the country if we take an active part in world affairs or if we stay out of world affairs?

Q3. US role in world affairs (% active part)
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	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
1974	67	72	68	65	4
1978	59	61	58	63	3
1982	54	64	49	55	15
1986	64	71	58	68	13
1990	62	69	61	59	8
1994	65	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
1998	61	66	61	60	5
2002	71	77	70	69	7
2004	67	74	65	64	9
2006	70	77	65	68	12
2008	63	72	59	60	13
2010	68	72	68	64	4
2012	61	70	60	55	10
2014	58	60	64	51	-4
2015	64	69	67	57	2
2016	64	64	70	57	-6
2017	64	64	69	59	-5
2018	70	70	75	63	-5
2019	69	69	75	64	-6
2020	68	64	78	63	-14
2021	64	61	68	62	-7
2022	60	55	68	55	-13
2023	57	47	70	53	-23
2024	56	54	68	47	-14
2025	60	59	67	54	-8
2026	58	63	60	52	3

Summary of Q3 - 2026 data only

Q3. US role in world affairs (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
Active part	58	63	60	52	3
Stay out	41	36	39	47	-3

Question 5

Q5. Below is a list of possible threats to the vital interests of the United States in the next 10 years. For each one, please select whether you see this as a critical threat, an important but not critical threat, or not an important threat at all.

Q5/6a. Large numbers of immigrants and refugees coming into the U.S. (% critical threat)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
1998	55	56	58	51	-2

2002	60	58	62	57	-4
2004	52	62	49	50	13
2006	51	63	46	44	17
2008	51	63	46	44	17
2010	51	62	41	51	21
2012	40	55	30	39	25
2014	39	55	21	42	34
2015	44	63	29	46	34
2016	43	67	27	40	40
2017	37	62	21	35	41
2018	39	66	20	37	46
2019	43	78	19	42	59
2020	32	61	13	26	48
August 2021	42	74	22	38	52
March 2022	34	68	12	29	56
2022	39	70	18	37	52
2023	42	72	18	39	54
2024	50	83	27	45	56
August 2024 (FP6)	45	78	22	42	56
2025	36	68	14	32	54
2026	35	67	10	29	57

Q5/8a. Climate change (% critical threat)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2008	40	20	60	40	-40
2010	34	16	50	34	-34
2012	32	15	44	33	-29
2014	35	12	51	35	-39
2015	40	17	58	38	-41
2016	39	18	57	35	-39
2017	46	15	67	47	-52
2019	54	23	78	54	-55
January 2020	51	19	77	51	-58
2020	50	21	75	48	-54
March 2021	54	17	80	56	-63
August 2021	53	18	81	53	-63
March 2022	48	15	73	51	-58
2022	54	20	81	54	-61
2023	52	16	82	51	-66
2024	47	17	72	48	-55
August 2024 (FP6)	49	20	77	50	-57
2025	49	14	77	50	-63

2026	48	19	76	51	-57
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Q5/29. North Korea's nuclear program (% critical threat)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2015	55	58	53	56	5
2016	60	63	64	52	-1
2017	75	80	76	70	4
2018	59	61	62	53	-1
2019	61	67	62	55	5
January 2020	52	57	58	41	-1
2020	51	53	54	47	-1
March 2021	59	65	61	53	4
2022	52	57	55	45	2
2023	52	57	53	48	4
2024	52	59	53	45	6
2025	49	55	49	45	6
2026	44	53	42	38	11

Q5/15. Iran's nuclear program (% critical threat)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2010	68	76	65	64	11
2012	64	75	60	58	15
2014	58	66	59	51	7
2015	57	70	54	49	16
2018	52	59	50	48	9
2019	57	70	52	51	18
January 2020	61	73	62	51	11
2020	49	54	46	48	8
March 2021	57	67	54	54	13
2022	53	65	52	47	13
2023	49	56	45	46	11
2024	53	62	52	45	10
2025	51	64	45	45	19
2026	49	68	35	42	33

Q5/28b. A global economic downturn (% critical threat)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2020	55	53	61	50	-8
March 2022	56	63	57	50	6
2022	55	56	57	53	-1

2023	54	59	55	50	4
2025	49	35	61	49	-26
2026	54	46	63	54	-17

Q5/38b. Weakening democracy in the United States (% critical threat)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2023	69	73	73	65	0
2024	67	62	75	64	-13
2025	65	49	82	63	-33
2026	67	56	80	66	-24

Q5/46. US government corruption (% critical threat)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2025	73	61	82	74	-21
2026	76	66	85	77	-19

Q5/21. Russia's territorial ambitions (% critical threat)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2014	38	48	35	34	13
2015	32	39	28	30	11
2016	30	32	31	29	1
March 2022	67	66	73	64	-7
2022	60	56	68	56	-12
2024	50	48	60	42	-12
2026	42	39	51	38	-12

Q5/45. China's territorial ambitions (% critical threat)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2022	52	62	50	48	12
2024	48	61	49	36	12
2026	41	49	35	37	14

Q5/45B. Economic competition from China (% critical threat)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2024	33	45	25	30	20
2026	32	42	26	28	16

Q5/9. Disruption in energy supply (% critical threat)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2006	60	59	62	58	-3

2008	72	73	75	70	-2
2010	54	51	58	53	-7
March 2022	61	72	51	63	21
2022	62	67	59	62	8
2026	59	53	62	61	-9

Q5/48. Artificial intelligence (% critical threat)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2026	51	45	54	53	-9

Q5. Potential Threats to the United States (% critical threat)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
Q5/6a. Large numbers of immigrants and refugees coming into the US	35	67	10	29	57
Q5/8a. Climate change	48	19	76	51	-57
Q5/29. North Korea's nuclear program	44	53	42	38	11
Q5/15. Iran's nuclear program	49	68	35	42	33
Q5/28b. A global economic downturn	54	46	63	54	-17
Q5/38b. Weakening democracy in the United States	67	56	80	66	-24
Q5/46. US government corruption	76	66	85	77	-19
Q5/21. Russia's territorial ambitions	42	39	51	38	-12
Q5/45. China's territorial ambitions	41	49	35	37	14
Q5/45B. Economic	32	42	26	28	16

competition from China					
Q5/9. Disruption in energy supply	59	53	62	61	-9
Q5/48. Artificial intelligence	51	45	54	53	-9

Question 11

Q11. What kind of leadership role should the United States play in the world? Should it be the dominant leader, or should it play a shared leadership role, or should it not play any leadership role?

Dominant world leader (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2015	28	38	21	28	17
2016	29	41	24	24	17
2017	31	46	25	26	21
2019	26	42	18	20	24
2020	24	38	16	21	22
2021	23	41	15	16	26
2023	22	36	16	18	20
2026	25	45	11	19	34
Shared leadership role (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2015	63	57	72	59	-15
2016	62	53	70	63	-17
2017	62	50	70	64	-20
2019	66	51	75	69	-24
2020	68	54	78	69	-24
2021	69	53	77	73	-24
2023	66	52	77	66	-25
2026	65	49	79	67	-30
Not play any leadership role (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2015	8	4	6	12	-2
2016	8	6	6	12	0
2017	6	4	4	10	0
2019	7	6	5	11	1
2020	7	6	5	9	1
2021	8	5	7	10	-2
2023	12	11	7	16	4
2026	10	6	10	13	-4

Summary of Q11 – 2026 data only

Q11. United States' leadership role (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
Dominant world leader	25	45	11	19	34
Shared leadership role	65	49	79	67	-30
Not play any leadership role	10	6	10	13	-4

Question MACHIA

QMACHIA. In order to achieve US foreign policy goals internationally, do you think it is more important for the US to be feared or admired around the world?

QMACHIA. Feared or admired to achieve US policy goals (% feared)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2018	26	43	16	23	27
2026	24	44	9	19	35
QMACHIA. Feared or admired to achieve US policy goals (% admired)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2018	73	55	82	75	-27
2026	75	55	90	79	-35

Summary of QMACHIA– 2026 data only

QMACHIA. Feared or admired to achieve US policy goals (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
It is more important to be feared	24	44	9	19	35
It is more important to be admired	75	55	90	79	-35

Question MACHIAB

QMACHIAB. And today, do you think the United States is more feared or more admired around the world?

QMACHIAB. US feared or admired (% feared)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2018	39	43	39	36	4
2026	52	54	52	50	2
QMACHIAB. US feared or admired (% admired)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2018	20	26	13	23	13
2026	15	25	9	13	16
QMACHIAB. US feared or admired (% other)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2018	40	30	46	39	-16
2026	31	20	37	36	-17

Summary of QMACHIAB- 2026 data only

QMACHIAB. US feared or admired (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
More feared	52	54	52	50	2
More admired	15	25	9	13	16
Other	31	20	37	36	-17

Question 25

Q25. Below is a list of present federal government programs. For each, please select whether you feel it should be expanded, cut back or kept about the same.

Q25/1. Education (% expand)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
1974	58	47	63	59	-16
1978	55	45	60	56	-15
1982	59	47	67	58	-20
1986	69	61	75	70	-14
1990	74	68	79	73	-11
1994	75	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
1998	79	68	88	79	-20

2002	76	62	88	76	-26
2004	69	51	78	70	-27
2008	61	47	80	55	-33
2010	58	47	72	56	-25
2014	68	60	78	65	-18
2017	70	53	85	68	-32
2020	70	57	85	67	-28
2022	70	54	84	68	-30
2024	66	48	82	65	-34
2026	71	56	86	70	-30

Q25/1. Education (% cut back)

	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
1974	8	10	7	7	3
1978	8	9	8	8	1
1982	6	11	4	7	7
1986	4	6	2	3	4
1990	3	5	2	3	3
1994	4	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
1998	3	5	1	4	4
2002	4	6	1	3	5
2004	5	10	3	4	7
2008	11	14	4	14	10
2010	10	15	4	12	11
2014	8	11	4	9	7
2017	7	14	2	8	12
2020	6	10	1	8	9
2022	7	13	2	8	11
2024	10	19	2	11	17
2026	8	14	1	9	13

Q25/1. Education (% kept about the same)

	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
1974	30	38	28	30	10
1978	32	43	28	31	15
1982	31	40	26	31	14
1986	25	31	22	24	9
1990	22	26	17	22	9
1994	18	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
1998	15	23	9	15	14
2002	21	32	11	21	21
2004	25	39	18	24	21

2008	28	39	16	31	23
2010	31	37	23	30	14
2014	20	26	12	22	14
2017	18	29	11	19	18
2020	18	29	18	17	11
2022	19	30	10	19	20
2024	18	29	10	17	19
2026	16	23	10	14	13

Q25/2. Defense spending (% expand)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
1974	14	17	13	13	4
1978	34	40	36	30	4
1982	24	37	20	19	17
1986	22	31	16	23	15
1990	14	17	11	15	6
1994	21	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
1998	30	39	25	29	14
2002	45	58	36	39	22
2004	29	44	21	28	23
2008	31	40	22	31	18
2010	30	44	23	25	21
2014	25	38	18	21	20
2017	35	58	22	32	36
2020	23	40	12	21	28
2022	29	46	21	26	25
2024	28	49	15	25	34
2026	24	41	14	17	27
Q25/2. Defense spending (% cut back)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
1974	42	29	45	47	-16
1978	24	19	26	27	-7
1982	34	19	40	37	-21
1986	34	16	45	36	-29
1990	43	32	51	45	-19
1994	34	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
1998	28	19	31	31	-12
2002	15	8	18	20	-10
2004	25	10	34	25	-24

2008	29	13	42	30	-29
2010	27	11	37	30	-26
2014	28	15	35	31	-20
2017	25	8	36	28	-28
2020	28	8	43	30	-35
2022	26	11	34	29	-23
2024	26	11	36	28	-25
2026	35	12	50	41	-38

Q25/2. Defense spending (% kept about the same)

	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
1974	38	47	38	34	9
1978	34	36	30	38	6
1982	36	40	33	37	7
1986	39	48	36	37	12
1990	39	48	33	37	15
1994	41	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
1998	38	37	40	37	-3
2002	39	34	46	41	-12
2004	44	44	44	45	0
2008	40	46	37	38	9
2010	43	44	39	45	5
2014	39	40	37	40	3
2017	34	30	36	34	-6
2020	38	44	32	40	12
2022	38	39	40	36	-1
2024	39	36	41	39	-5
2026	33	39	28	32	11

Q25/3. Social Security (% expand)

	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
1982	49	36	57	47	-21
1986	60	48	68	61	-20
1990	56	51	60	55	-9
1994	49	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
1998	66	54	74	65	-20
2002	66	51	83	65	-32
2004	65	50	73	67	-23
2008	60	44	77	56	-33
2010	54	49	70	46	-21

2014	50	42	61	46	-19
2017	57	46	68	53	-22
2020	58	48	69	54	-21
2022	60	46	73	58	-27
2024	58	53	65	56	-12
2026	60	54	69	56	-15

Q25/3. Social Security (% cut back)

	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
1982	6	10	3	9	7
1986	4	7	2	5	5
1990	4	6	3	5	3
1994	7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
1998	3	4	2	4	2
2002	3	5	1	4	4
2004	4	6	1	4	5
2008	11	18	4	13	14
2010	10	13	3	12	10
2014	8	10	3	10	7
2017	5	8	3	6	5
2020	6	8	3	7	5
2022	5	8	2	6	6
2024	5	7	3	6	4
2026	5	7	2	5	5

Q25/3. Social Security (% kept about the same)

	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
1982	40	47	36	42	11
1986	32	40	28	31	12
1990	36	40	34	36	6
1994	39	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
1998	27	38	21	28	17
2002	31	43	16	31	27
2004	30	44	25	28	19
2008	29	38	19	31	19
2010	36	37	27	42	10
2014	36	42	30	39	12
2017	33	42	26	34	16
2020	30	38	22	32	16
2022	30	41	22	29	19
2024	30	33	27	30	6

2026	29	35	24	29	11
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Q25/4. Military aid to other nations (% expand)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
1974	3	4	3	2	1
1978	5	5	4	5	1
1982	5	7	5	3	2
1986	4	5	4	4	1
1990	5	7	3	4	4
1994	4	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
1998	8	7	10	8	-3
2002	11	11	13	6	-2
2004	5	3	5	6	-2
2008	9	9	9	9	0
2010	6	6	9	4	-3
2014	5	4	6	3	-2
2017	8	6	11	7	-5
2020	8	6	9	7	-3
2022	9	6	13	7	-7
2024	7	8	8	6	0
2026	9	6	13	9	-7
Q25/4. Military aid to other nations (% cut back)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
1974	71	69	71	73	-2
1978	64	65	63	69	2
1982	65	58	66	69	-8
1986	62	56	66	64	-10
1990	73	71	73	78	-2
1994	68	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
1998	55	52	54	60	-2
2002	48	42	51	53	-9
2004	65	60	71	63	-11
2008	59	49	67	60	-18
2010	60	55	60	63	-5
2014	59	57	56	64	1
2017	50	55	43	53	12
2020	42	47	36	46	11
2022	42	53	29	46	24
2024	50	60	39	54	21

2026	49	55	40	50	15
Q25/4. Military aid to other nations (% kept about the same)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
1974	19	21	20	17	1
1978	21	26	22	19	4
1982	22	27	20	20	7
1986	27	32	23	27	9
1990	17	16	20	14	-4
1994	21	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
1998	32	38	31	29	7
2002	41	47	37	41	10
2004	28	37	23	28	14
2008	32	41	25	31	16
2010	34	38	30	32	8
2014	27	31	27	25	4
2017	33	32	39	30	-7
2020	37	39	39	34	0
2022	40	33	49	37	-16
2024	35	26	46	30	-20
2026	32	30	39	29	-9

Q25/5. Economic aid to other nations (% expand)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
1974	10	6	10	13	-4
1978	11	10	9	12	1
1982	8	8	10	7	-2
1986	11	8	15	10	-7
1990	7	6	8	7	-2
1994	9	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
1998	13	7	18	11	-11
2002	15	11	18	13	-7
2004	8	4	10	8	-6
2008	8	6	10	9	-4
2010	7	3	12	5	-9
2014	6	3	11	4	-8
2017	9	4	16	7	-12
2020	14	5	24	11	-19
2024	7	4	10	7	-6

2026	17	4	28	17	-24
Q25/5. Economic aid to other nations (% cut back)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
1974	56	57	56	57	1
1978	50	50	49	53	1
1982	54	55	53	56	2
1986	48	51	44	50	7
1990	61	65	56	65	9
1994	58	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
1998	48	52	45	50	7
2002	50	50	46	54	4
2004	64	69	65	61	4
2008	55	56	48	61	8
2010	60	67	51	62	16
2014	60	67	49	66	18
2017	51	69	37	51	32
2020	41	60	23	44	37
2024	51	69	34	53	35
2026	45	65	27	45	38
Q25/5. Economic aid to other nations (% kept about the same)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
1974	28	31	30	23	1
1978	31	34	32	31	2
1982	31	30	31	31	-1
1986	35	36	36	35	0
1990	27	26	32	22	-6
1994	28	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
1998	35	37	34	36	3
2002	36	39	36	33	3
2004	26	27	25	28	2
2008	37	38	42	30	-4
2010	33	30	37	32	-7
2014	27	25	30	25	-5
2017	31	20	40	30	-20
2020	34	29	38	33	-9
2024	33	21	46	30	-25
2026	29	22	36	27	-14

Q25/6. Healthcare (% expand)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
1994	71	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
1998	78	68	87	75	-19
2002	77	58	91	84	-33
2004	79	62	87	80	-25
2008	70	50	90	69	-40
2010	58	36	84	53	-48
2014	50	25	72	49	-47
2017	65	41	84	62	-43
2020	69	46	89	67	-43
2024	67	47	83	67	-36
2026	72	53	89	75	-36
Q25/6. Healthcare (% cut back)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
1994	7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
1998	4	7	1	5	6
2002	4	7	0	3	7
2004	3	6	3	3	3
2008	9	11	5	12	6
2010	15	29	3	14	26
2014	22	41	6	22	35
2017	14	30	2	14	28
2020	7	14	2	8	12
2024	9	16	3	8	13
2026	7	11	3	8	8
Q25/6. Healthcare (% kept about the same)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
1994	17	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
1998	16	22	11	18	11
2002	19	34	9	13	25
2004	17	32	9	16	23
2008	20	39	6	18	33
2010	26	34	12	31	22
2014	21	26	17	22	9
2017	16	22	10	17	12
2020	19	35	6	19	29
2024	18	30	10	17	20

2026	15	29	5	11	24
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Q25/9. Improving public infrastructure such as highways, bridges, and airports (% expand)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2008	57	54	64	53	-10
2010	52	40	60	54	-20
2014	62	54	68	62	-14
2020	66	62	69	66	-7
2024	66	58	77	62	-19
2026	65	59	74	63	-15

Q25/9. Improving public infrastructure such as highways, bridges, and airports (% cut back)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2008	8	5	7	10	-2
2010	8	12	8	7	4
2014	4	3	6	4	-3
2020	3	3	4	3	-1
2024	4	4	3	5	1
2026	3	4	2	3	2

Q25/9. Improving public infrastructure such as highways, bridges, and airports (% kept about the same)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2008	36	42	29	37	13
2010	39	48	30	39	18
2014	28	40	20	29	20
2020	25	32	20	24	12
2024	24	34	15	25	19
2026	26	33	21	25	12

Q25/11. Environmental protection (% expand)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2014	43	24	58	42	-34
2026	54	25	78	58	-53
Q25/11. Environmental protection (% cut back)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2014	19	35	8	18	27

2026	12	23	2	12	21
Q25/11. Environmental protection (% kept about the same)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2014	34	38	29	36	9
2026	27	46	14	22	32

Q25/12. Welfare and unemployment programs at home (% expand)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2014	25	10	37	25	-27
2026	42	20	63	42	-43

Q25/12. Welfare and unemployment programs at home (% cut back)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2014	40	64	20	41	44
2026	23	45	6	18	39

Q25/12. Welfare and unemployment programs at home (% kept about the same)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2014	28	22	35	26	-13
2026	28	30	25	27	5

Q25/15. Immigration enforcement (% expand)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2020	34	64	11	32	53
2026	31	61	10	23	51

Q25/15. Immigration enforcement (% cut back)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2020	30	9	49	28	-40
2026	40	7	68	44	-61

Q25/15. Immigration enforcement (% kept about the same)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2020	27	22	28	30	-6
2026	22	27	15	23	12

Q25/16. Space program (% expand)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
1986	34	38	25	40	13
1990	20	22	20	21	2
1994	24	NA	NA	NA	NA
1998	25	25	22	30	3
2020	25	30	20	26	10
2026	20	22	18	21	4
Q25/16. Space program (% cut back)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
1986	26	17	36	22	-19
1990	35	30	37	35	-7
1994	37	NA	NA	NA	NA
1998	31	28	36	28	-8
2020	25	20	29	24	-9
2026	26	23	27	28	-4
Q25/16. Space program (% kept about the same)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
1986	36	40	34	35	6
1990	39	43	37	40	6
1994	34	NA	NA	NA	NA
1998	40	43	38	39	5
2020	40	42	40	39	2
2026	44	49	45	39	4

Q25/17. Humanitarian aid (% expand)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2026	37	12	62	38	-50
Q25/17. Humanitarian aid (% cut back)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2026	18	30	7	19	23
Q25/17. Humanitarian aid (% kept about the same)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap

2026	36	51	27	31	24
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Q25. Federal Programs (% expand)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
Q25/1. Education	71	56	86	70	-30
Q25/2. Defense Spending	24	41	14	17	27
Q25/3. Social Security	60	54	69	56	-15
Q25/4. Military aid to other countries	9	6	13	9	-7
Q25/5. Economic aid to other nations	17	4	28	17	-24
Q25/6. Healthcare	72	53	89	75	-36
Q25/9. Improving public infrastructure such as highways, bridges, and airports	65	59	74	63	-15
Q25/11. Environmental protection	54	25	78	58	-53
Q25/12. Welfare and unemployment programs at home	42	20	63	42	-43
Q25/15. Immigration enforcement	31	61	10	23	51
Q25/16. Space program	20	22	18	21	4
Q25/17. Humanitarian aid	37	12	62	38	-50

Q25. Federal Programs (% cut back)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
Q25/1. Education	8	14	1	9	13
Q25/2. Defense Spending	35	12	50	41	-38
Q25/3. Social Security	5	7	2	5	5
Q25/4. Military aid to other countries	49	55	40	50	15
Q25/5. Economic aid to other nations	45	65	27	45	38
Q25/6. Healthcare	7	11	3	8	8

Q25/9. Improving public infrastructure such as highways, bridges, and airports	3	4	2	3	2
Q25/11. Environmental protection	12	23	2	12	21
Q25/12. Welfare and unemployment programs at home	23	45	6	18	39
Q25/15. Immigration enforcement	40	7	68	44	-61
Q25/16. Space program	26	23	27	28	-4
Q25/17. Humanitarian aid	18	30	7	19	23

Question 33A

Q33A. Which of the following comes closest to your view on US security alliances in East Asia. Do they:

Mostly benefit the US (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2017	9	4	11	9	-7
2019	7	6	6	9	0
January 2020	13	10	16	11	-6
2020	7	3	9	8	-6
2023	9	6	9	10	-3
2025	11	8	14	11	-6
2026	8	8	6	8	2
Mostly benefit our allies (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2017	21	33	15	18	18
2019	21	25	16	23	9
January 2020	22	26	18	22	8
2020	17	26	9	20	17
2023	21	25	14	23	11
2025	15	21	13	12	8
2026	14	18	8	14	10
Benefit both the US and our allies (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2017	51	47	55	51	-8
2019	53	50	58	51	-8

January 2020	48	49	50	46	-1
2020	52	47	59	52	-12
2023	52	53	61	45	-8
2025	61	60	60	62	0
2026	57	54	60	59	-6
Benefit neither (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2017	15	10	16	17	-6
2019	15	15	16	14	-1
January 2020	4	13	12	17	1
2020	17	17	18	17	-1
2023	15	10	13	20	-3
2025	10	8	10	11	-2
2026	17	15	21	16	-6

Summary of Q33A – 2026 data only

Q33A. US security alliances in East Asia (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
Mostly benefit the US	8	8	6	8	2
Mostly benefit our allies	14	18	8	14	10
Benefit both the US and our allies	57	54	60	59	-6
Benefit neither	17	15	21	16	-6

Question 33B

Q33B. Which of the following comes closest to your view on US security alliances in Europe. Do they:

Q33B. Europe					
Mostly benefit the U.S. (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2017	9	7	11	8	-4
2019	6	7	8	4	-1
January 2020	18	13	24	16	-11
2020	7	4	10	7	-6
2023	7	6	9	6	-3
2025	9	7	11	9	-4
2026	9	8	10	9	-2
Mostly benefit our allies (%)					

	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2017	26	36	14	31	22
2019	24	32	12	30	20
January 2020	20	29	10	24	19
2020	21	41	7	20	34
2023	24	35	12	25	23
2025	23	38	11	22	27
2026	22	35	9	20	26
Benefit both (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2017	53	48	64	47	-16
2019	58	54	68	53	-14
January 2020	52	53	56	49	-3
2020	61	50	71	59	-21
2023	57	43	71	57	-28
2025	60	50	70	58	-20
2026	54	44	69	52	-25
Benefit neither (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2017	9	6	9	11	-3
2019	9	5	10	13	-5
January 2020	6	3	6	8	-3
2020	8	2	8	12	-6
2023	10	13	6	10	7
2025	6	3	7	8	-4
2026	12	10	9	16	1

Summary of Q33B - 2026 data only

Q33B. US security alliances in Europe (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
Mostly benefit the US	9	8	10	9	-2
Mostly benefit our allies	22	35	9	20	26
Benefit both the US and our allies	54	44	69	52	-25
Benefit neither	12	10	9	16	1

Question 33C

Q33C. Which of the following comes closest to your view on US security alliances in Middle East. Do they:

Mostly benefit the US (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2017	6	6	5	8	1
2019	9	9	7	11	2
January 2020	15	10	18	15	-8
2020	11	9	13	11	-4
2023	10	6	13	8	-7
2025	11	8	11	14	-3
2026	11	9	16	8	-7
Mostly benefit our allies (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2017	24	32	22	20	10
2019	22	25	20	22	5
January 2020	21	26	17	21	9
2020	18	21	18	16	3
2023	24	30	17	25	13
2025	18	19	17	19	2
2026	19	18	16	22	2
Benefit both the US and our allies (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2017	42	44	45	38	-1
2019	50	51	55	45	-4
January 2020	39	40	39	39	1
2020	49	51	46	52	5
2023	44	42	51	42	-9
2025	55	60	56	53	4
2026	50	60	45	45	15
Benefit neither (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2017	24	15	25	30	-10
2019	18	14	17	21	-3
January 2020	22	23	23	21	0
2020	16	11	20	16	-9
2023	19	19	16	22	3
2025	13	11	12	14	-1
2026	20	13	22	22	-9

Summary of Q33C - 2026 data only

Q33C. US security alliances in the Middle East (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
Mostly benefit the US	11	9	16	8	-7

Mostly benefit our allies	19	18	16	22	2
Benefit both the US and our allies	50	60	45	45	15
Benefit neither	20	13	22	22	-9

Question E2B

QE2B. Which of the following best reflects your view about current relations between the United States and East Asia?

QE2B. View on current relations with East Asia (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
The relationship is better than it has been during past US administrations	17	37	1	12	36
The relationship is the same as it's been over past US administrations	26	34	19	27	15
The relationship has been damaged, but it will probably improve with a new US administration	44	18	65	49	-47
The relationship has been damaged beyond repair	8	3	10	8	-7

Question E2C

QE2C. Which of the following best reflects your view about current relations between the United States and Europe?

QE2C. View on current relations with Europe (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
The relationship is better than it has been during past US administrations	12	24	5	8	19
The relationship is the same as it's been over past US administrations	24	42	8	20	34
The relationship has been damaged, but it will probably improve with a new US administration	51	25	76	57	-51

The relationship has been damaged beyond repair	9	5	8	13	-3
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Question E2D

QE2D. Which of the following best reflects your view about current relations between the United States and the Middle East?

QE2D. View on current relations with the Middle East (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
The relationship is better than it has been during past US administrations	22	48	6	14	42
The relationship is the same as it's been over past US administrations	21	26	14	22	12
The relationship has been damaged, but it will probably improve with a new US administration	39	17	60	40	-43
The relationship has been damaged beyond repair	16	7	19	20	-12

Question 45

Q45. Please rate your feelings toward some countries and peoples, with one hundred meaning a very warm, favorable feeling, zero meaning a very cold, unfavorable feeling, and fifty meaning not particularly warm or cold. You can use any number from zero to one hundred, the higher the number the more favorable your feelings are toward that country or those people.

Q45/4. Israel (mean)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
1978	61	62	61	62	1
1982	57	59	56	57	3
1986	59	62	56	59	6
1990	53	54	54	51	0
1994	54	na	na	na	na
1998	54	53	56	54	-3
2002	55	63	50	52	13
2004	53	61	51	50	10
2006	54	63	50	50	13
2008	58	64	53	58	11
2010	57	66	52	54	14
2014	59	65	57	57	8
2016	58	65	53	58	12
2020	58	69	51	58	18
2022	58	69	52	56	17
April 2025	50	63	41	50	22
October 2025	47	59	36	44	23
2026	44	62	30	41	32

Question 189B

Q189B. Which of the following comes closest to your view on trade between the US and other countries. Does trade:

Mostly benefit the U.S. (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2017	7	6	9	6	-3
2019	12	12	13	11	-1
2024	9	7	11	11	-4
2025	15	13	17	14	-4
2026	13	13	16	10	-3

Mostly benefit other countries (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2017	34	47	22	37	25
2019	21	32	9	24	23
2024	23	34	16	20	18
2025	16	28	8	15	20
2026	14	22	6	13	16
Benefit both the US and other countries (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2017	50	40	62	46	-22
2019	63	54	74	59	-20
2024	63	56	69	61	-13
2025	64	55	70	65	-15
2026	67	62	71	69	-9
Benefit neither (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2017	6	4	5	8	-1
2019	3	1	3	5	-2
2024	4	2	4	7	-2
2025	4	1	4	5	-3
2026	5	3	7	7	-4

Summary of Q189B - 2026 data only

Q189B. Views on international trade: (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
Mostly benefit the U.S.	13	13	16	10	-3
Mostly benefit other countries	14	22	6	13	16
Benefit both the U.S. and other countries	67	62	71	69	-9
Benefit neither	5	3	7	7	-4

Question 191G

Q191G. As you may know, the United States has imposed significant tariffs on imports from other countries since 2025. Overall, do you think those tariffs have been good or bad for:

Q191G. Views on US imposed tariffs (% good)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
Creating jobs in the United States	35	64	12	28	52

The cost of living in the United States	18	37	6	12	31
The US economy	27	56	8	19	48
US relationships with other countries	22	41	9	15	32
Increasing US power over other countries	37	68	14	29	54

Q191G. Views on US imposed tariffs (% bad)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
Creating jobs in the United States	63	33	87	70	-54
The cost of living in the United States	81	62	94	86	-32
The US economy	71	43	91	79	-48
US relationships with other countries	77	58	90	83	-32
Increasing US power over other countries	61	30	85	69	-55

Question 211/2

Q211/2. Do you think military aid to Israel should be increased, decreased, kept the same or stopped altogether?

Increased (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2012	15	21	12	14	9
2014	13	22	7	13	15
2026	8	15	4	5	11
Decreased (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2012	19	16	20	20	-4
2014	19	16	21	19	-5
2026	21	14	26	24	-12
Kept the same (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2012	45	49	47	41	2
2014	46	44	47	46	-3
2026	35	53	23	28	30
Stopped altogether (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2012	19	12	19	24	-7
2014	18	14	20	19	-6

2026	35	16	46	41	-30
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Q211/2. Views on US aid to Israel (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
Increased	8	15	4	5	11
Decreased	21	14	26	24	-12
Kept the same	35	53	23	28	30
Stopped altogether	35	16	46	41	-30

Question IRAN26

QIRAN26. As you may know, the United States is negotiating with Iran on a range of security issues. Would you find the following concessions from the United States acceptable or unacceptable:

QIRAN26. US-Iran negotiations (% acceptable)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
QIRAN26/1. Iran keeps its stockpile of enriched uranium	22	9	30	27	-21
QIRAN26/2. Iran continues to develop its ballistic missile program	16	8	20	20	-12
QIRAN26/3. Iran maintains control of the Strait of Hormuz	28	11	40	33	-29
QIRAN26/4. The United States compensates Iran for damage done to its civilian infrastructure	36	18	53	40	-35
QIRAN26/5. The United States lifts its' economic and diplomatic sanctions against Iran	48	34	59	53	-25
QIRAN26/6. The United States pledges to prevent Israel from taking further military action in Lebanon	58	47	72	58	-25
QIRAN26/7. The United States permits Iran to export its oil and petroleum products globally	70	67	75	71	-8

QIRAN26. US-Iran negotiations (% unacceptable)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
QIRAN26/1. Iran keeps its stockpile of enriched uranium	74	88	66	68	22
QIRAN26/2. Iran continues to develop its ballistic missile program	80	90	76	75	14
QIRAN26/3. Iran maintains control of the Strait of Hormuz	68	86	56	62	30
QIRAN26/4. The United States compensates Iran for damage done to its civilian infrastructure	60	80	44	56	36

QIRAN26/5. The United States lifts its' economic and diplomatic sanctions against Iran	47	62	38	42	24
QIRAN26/6. The United States pledges to prevent Israel from taking further military action in Lebanon	36	49	23	36	26
QIRAN26/7. The United States permits Iran to export its oil and petroleum products globally	25	30	22	24	8

Question 271B

Q271B. All in all, considering the costs to the United States versus the benefits to the United States, do you think the war in Iran was worth fighting, or not?

Q271B. Iran war worth fighting (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
Worth fighting	31	63	8	22	55
Not worth fighting	68	36	91	76	-55

Question 350A

Q350A. In dealing with the rise of China's power, do you think the US should:

Q350A. Undertake friendly cooperation and engagement with China (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2006	66	66	65	67	1
2008	64	61	67	65	-6
2010	68	67	68	69	-1
2012	69	65	72	71	-7
2014	67	63	72	66	-9
2016	63	55	67	67	-12
2019	68	58	74	69	-16
2020	47	33	60	47	-27
2021	47	28	51	53	-23
2024	40	28	47	44	-19
2025	53	33	66	56	-33
2026	57	43	68	61	-25

Q350A. Actively work to limit the growth of China's power (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2006	29	29	31	27	-2
2008	33	36	32	31	4
2010	29	30	29	27	1
2012	28	32	24	28	8

2014	29	34	25	31	9
2016	33	43	30	30	13
2019	31	40	25	29	15
2020	49	64	36	49	28
2021	51	71	49	42	22
2024	55	67	49	50	18
2025	44	63	32	41	31
2026	40	55	29	36	26

Q350A. In dealing with the rise of China's power, do you think the US should: (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
Undertake friendly cooperation and engagement with China	57	43	68	61	-25
Actively work to limit the growth of China's power	40	55	29	36	26

Question 407

Q407. Thinking about the issue of immigration, would you support or oppose the following polices?

Q407/1. Expanding the border wall and fencing with Mexico (% strongly + somewhat support)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2024	54	87	28	58	59
2026	50	85	22	41	63

Q407/2. Increasing deportations of people who are in the country illegally (% strongly + somewhat support)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2024	65	88	46	66	42
2026	52	83	23	49	60

Q407/3. Putting more severe penalties on businesses if they hire people who are not legally allowed to work in the US (% strongly + somewhat support)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2024	66	86	49	67	37
2026	64	84	44	63	40

Q407/6. Increasing the number of people allowed to legally immigrate to the US (% strongly + somewhat support)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2024	55	36	73	55	-37
2026	60	42	77	63	-35

Q407/7. Making it easier for immigrants on temporary visas to legally stay in the US (% strongly + somewhat support)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2024	61	41	79	61	-38
2026	65	43	85	67	-42

Q407/8. Making it easier for people fleeing violence in their home countries to legally immigrate to the US (% strongly + somewhat support)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2024	66	49	83	64	-34
2026	70	54	87	70	-33

Q407/9. Making it easier for international students who graduate from US universities to obtain legal permanent residence in the US (% strongly + somewhat support)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2026	74	56	90	76	-34

Q407. Thinking about the issue of immigration, would you support or oppose the following policies? (% strongly + somewhat support)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
Q407/1. Expanding the border wall and fencing with Mexico	50	85	22	41	63
Q407/2. Increasing deportations of people who are in the country illegally	52	83	23	49	60
Q407/3. Putting more severe penalties on businesses if they hire people who are not legally allowed to work in the US	64	84	44	63	40
Q407/6. Increasing the number of people allowed to legally immigrate to the US	60	42	77	63	-35
Q407/7. Making it easier for immigrants on temporary visas to legally stay in the US	65	43	85	67	-42
Q407/8. Making it easier for people fleeing violence in their home countries	70	54	87	70	-33

to legally immigrate to the US					
Q407/9. Making it easier for international students who graduate from US universities to obtain legal permanent residence in the US	74	56	90	76	-34

Question VOTE

QVOTE. How likely are you to vote in the upcoming 2026 midterm election?

QVOTE. How likely are you to vote in the upcoming 2026 midterm election? (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
Very likely	61	64	71	52	-7
Somewhat likely	16	19	14	16	5
Not very likely	8	7	5	11	2
Not likely at all	14	10	10	20	0

Question VOTEISSUES26

QVOTEISSUES26. Which of the following issues is most important to you as you decide how to vote in the upcoming midterm elections

QVOTEISSUES26. Which of the following issues is most important to you as you decide how to vote in the upcoming midterm elections (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
The war in Iran	2	3	2	2	1
Inflation and the cost of living	37	39	35	38	4
Immigration policies	7	12	5	5	7
Government corruption	19	15	23	21	-8
Control of Congress	19	19	22	17	-3
Federal budget deficit	2	3	1	4	2
Healthcare	9	7	10	9	-3
Eliminating DEI policies	2	3	1	2	2

Question DQX

QDQX. Which description of how people are getting by best suits your situation?

QDQX. I struggle to buy necessities (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2025	11	9	13	12	-4
2026	13	10	13	14	-3
QDQX. I can buy necessities, but not much more (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2025	26	23	28	27	-5
2026	29	23	35	30	-12
QDQX. I can afford a few extras (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2025	46	49	42	46	7
2026	44	51	40	42	11
QDQX. I can afford expensive things (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
2025	16	19	16	14	3
2026	14	16	12	13	4

QDQX. Which description of how people are getting by best suits your situation? (%)					
	Overall	Republican	Democrat	Independent	R-D Gap
I struggle to buy necessities	13	10	13	14	-3
I can buy necessities, but not much more	29	23	35	30	-12
I can afford a few extras	44	51	40	42	11
I can afford expensive things	14	16	12	13	4