



The January 2019 AP-NORC Center Poll

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Interviews: 1/16-20/2019

1,062 adults

Margin of error: +/- 4.1 percentage points at the 95% confidence level among all adults

NOTE: All results show percentages among all respondents, unless otherwise labeled.

CUR2. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as president?

If don't know, skipped, or refused in CUR2

CUR3. If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as president?

If approve in CUR2

CUR3A. Would you say you approve of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as president strongly or do you approve just somewhat?

If disapprove in CUR2

CUR3B. Would you say you disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as president strongly or do you disapprove just somewhat?

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

AP-NORC All adults	Approve NET	Strongly approve	Somewhat approve	Lean toward approv- ing	Do not lean either way	Dis- approve NET	Lean toward disapp- roving	Some- what dis- approve	Strongly dis- approve	DK	SKP /REF
1/16-20/2019 (N=1,062)	34	18	16	*	*	65	1	11	53	*	*
12/13-16/2018 (N=1,067)	42	21	21	*	1	56	*	14	42	-	1
10/11-14/2018 (N=1,152)	40	21	19	*	1	59	*	14	45	-	1
8/16-20/2018 (N=1,055)	38	18	20	-	1	60	1	17	43		
6/13-18/2018 (N=1,109)	41	21	20	*	1	57	*	16	42	*	*
4/11-16/2018 (N=1,140)	40	19	20	*	1	59	*	15	44	-	1
3/14-19/2018 (N=1,122)	42	20	21	*	1	58	*	14	44	-	*
2/15-19/2018 (N=1,337)	35	19	17	-	1	64	*	17	46	*	*
12/7-11/2017 (N=1,020)	32	15	17	*	*	67	*	16	51	-	*
9/28- 10/2/2017 (N=1,150)	32	20	12	*	*	67	*	17	50	*	*
6/8-11/2017 (N=1,068)	35	16	18	*	1	64	*	17	47	*	1

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3/23-27/2017 (N=1,110)	42	20	22	*	*	58	*	14	43	-	1
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SHUT1. Overall, do you think the partial federal government shutdown which began Saturday, December 22, 2018 has been:

	AP-NORC 1/16-20/2019
A major problem for the country	65
A minor problem for the country	26
Not a problem at all for the country	8
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIP/REFUSED	1

N=

1,062

SHUT2. How much of an impact has the partial federal government shutdown had on you and your family?

	AP-NORC 1/16-20/2019
A major impact	9
A minor impact	27
No real impact	62
DON'T KNOW	-
SKIP/REFUSED	1

N=

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SHUT3. Since the partial federal government shutdown began, have you or has anyone in your household experienced any of the following, or haven't you?

[ITEMS RANDOMIZED]

AP-NORC 1/16-20/2019	Yes	No	DK	SKP/ REF
Tried to visit a government website and found it suspended due to the shutdown	16	83	*	1
Tried to visit a government office and found it closed due to the shutdown	11	88	-	1
Tried to visit a national park or other tourist attraction managed by the government and found it closed or unstaffed due to the shutdown	11	88	-	1
Been furloughed, had your work hours cut, or had to work unpaid in connections with the shutdown	6	93	-	1

N=1,062

SHUT4. How much responsibility does each of the following have for the partial federal government shutdown?

[ITEMS RANDOMIZED]

AP-NORC 1/16-20/2019	A great deal/Quite a bit NET	A great deal	Quite a bit	A moderate amount	Only a little/None at all NET	Only a little	None at all	DK	SKP/REF
Donald Trump	70	60	10	15	13	7	6	*	1
Republicans in Congress	58	36	22	26	14	9	5	1	1
Democrats in Congress	47	31	16	24	27	16	11	1	1

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WALL1. Do you favor, oppose, or neither favor nor oppose building a wall along the U.S.-Mexican border?

	AP-NORC 1/16-20/2019
Strongly/somewhat favor NET	36
Strongly favor	25
Somewhat favor	11
Neither favor nor oppose	14
Somewhat/Strongly oppose NET	49
Somewhat oppose	11
Strongly oppose	38
DON'T KNOW	-
SKIP/REFUSED	1

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Show if Strongly or Somewhat favor in WALL1

WALL2. Which of the following comes closest to your opinion about Donald Trump and Republicans in Congress? Do you think they should:

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

	AP-NORC 1/16-20/2019
Continue to push for funding for the wall even if it means the government does not reopen	69
Compromise on a bill that reopens the government even if it does not include funding for the wall	30
DON'T KNOW	1
SKIP/REFUSED	*
<i>N=</i>	<i>381</i>

Show if Strongly or Somewhat oppose in WALL1

WALL3. Which of the following comes closest to your opinion about Democrats in Congress? Do you think they should:

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

	AP-NORC 1/16-20/2019
Continue to push against funding for the wall even if it means the government does not reopen	69
Compromise on a bill that reopens the government even if it includes funding for the wall	30
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIP/REFUSED	2
<i>N=</i>	<i>530</i>

WALL4. Do you think a wall along the U.S.-Mexico border would significantly decrease, slightly decrease or not have any effect on the number of people entering the U.S. illegally?

	AP-NORC 1/16-20/2019
Significantly decrease	30
Slightly decrease	30
Not have any effect	39
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIP/REFUSED	1
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,062</i>

WALL5. Do you think a wall along the U.S.-Mexico border would significantly reduce, slightly reduce or not have any effect on the availability of illegal drugs in the United States?

	AP-NORC 1/16-20/2019
Significantly reduce	21
Slightly reduce	28
Not have any effect	49
DON'T KNOW	1
SKIP/REFUSED	1

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WALL6. Do you think a wall along the U.S.-Mexico border would do [more to help, more to hurt/more to hurt, more to help] the U.S. economy, or wouldn't it make much difference?

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

	AP-NORC 1/16-20/2019
More to help	27
More to hurt	29
Not make much difference	43
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIP/REFUSED	1

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WALL7. Do you think a wall along the U.S.-Mexico border would make the U.S. [more safe, less safe/less safe, more safe], or wouldn't it make much difference?

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

	AP-NORC 1/16-20/2019
More safe	35
Less safe	7
Not make much difference	57
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIP/REFUSED	1

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WALL8. Do you think a wall along the U.S.-Mexico border would do [more to improve or more to worsen/more to worsen or more to improve] the health and safety of people attempting to enter the U.S. illegally, or would it not make much difference?

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

	AP-NORC 1/16-20/2019
More to improve	23
More to worsen	27
Not make much difference	49
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIP/REFUSED	1

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WALL9. Do you favor, oppose, or neither favor nor oppose President Trump declaring a national emergency to fund a wall along the U.S.-Mexican border the wall if Congress doesn't approve the funding?

	AP-NORC 1/16-20/2019
Favor strongly/somewhat NET	25
Favor strongly	14
Favor somewhat	11
Not make much difference	13
Oppose somewhat/strongly NET	61
Oppose somewhat	11
Oppose strongly	50
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIP/REFUSED	1

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PID1. Do you consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, an independent or none of these?

	AP-NORC 1/16-20/2019
Democrat	30
Republican	23
Independent	29
None of these	16
DON'T KNOW	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1

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If Democrat in PID1

PIDa. Do you consider yourself a strong Democrat or a moderate Democrat?

If Republican in PID1

PIDb. Do you consider yourself a strong Republican or a moderate Republican?

If Independent, None of these, or Don't Know/SKIPPED ON WEB/Refused in PID1

PIDi. Do you lean more toward the Democrats or the Republicans?

[PID1, PIDA, PIDB, AND PIDI COMBINED]

	AP-NORC 1/16-20/2019
Democrat NET	45
Strong Democrat	12
Moderate Democrat	18
Lean Democrat	15
Independent/None – Don't lean	21
Republican NET	33
Lean Republican	10
Moderate Republican	14
Strong Republican	9
Unknown	1

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G11B. Generally speaking, do you consider yourself a...?

	AP-NORC 1/16-20/2019
Liberal	21
Conservative	32
Moderate	44
DON'T KNOW	1
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	2

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DM5. Which one of the following best describes where you live?

	AP-NORC 1/16-20/2019
Urban area	27
Suburban area	46
Rural area	26
DON'T KNOW	1
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,062</i>

AGE

	AP-NORC 1/16-20/2019
18-24	12
25-34	19
35-44	15
45-54	15
55-64	19
65-74	13
75+	7
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,062</i>

GENDER

	AP-NORC 1/16-20/2019
Male	48
Female	52
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,062</i>

RACE/ETHNICITY

	AP-NORC 1/16-20/2019
White	63
Black or African American	12
Hispanic	16
Other	8
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,062</i>

MARITAL STATUS

	AP-NORC 1/16-20/2019
Married	47
Widowed	6
Divorced	12
Separated	3
Never married	24
Living with partner	8
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,062</i>

EMPLOYMENT STATUS

	AP-NORC 1/16-20/2019
Employed	58
Not employed	42
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,062</i>

EDUCATION

	AP-NORC 1/16-20/2019
Less than a high school diploma	11
High school graduate or equivalent	29
Some college	28
College graduate or above	32
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,062</i>

INCOME

	AP-NORC 1/16-20/2019
Under \$10,000	6
\$10,000 to under \$20,000	10
\$20,000 to under \$30,000	11
\$30,000 to under \$40,000	11
\$40,000 to under \$50,000	9
\$50,000 to under \$75,000	18
\$75,000 to under \$100,000	11
\$100,000 to under \$150,000	15
\$150,000 or more	8

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Study Methodology

This survey was conducted by The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research and with funding from The Associated Press and NORC at the University of Chicago. Data were collected using the AmeriSpeak Omnibus®, a monthly multi-client survey using NORC’s probability-based panel designed to be representative of the U.S. household population. The survey was part of a larger study that included questions about other topics not included in this report. During the initial recruitment phase of the panel, randomly selected U.S. households were sampled with a known, non-zero probability of selection from the NORC National Sample Frame and then contacted by U.S. mail, email, telephone, and field interviewers (face-to-face). The panel provides sample coverage of approximately 97% of the U.S. household population. Those excluded from the sample include people with P.O. Box only addresses, some addresses not listed in the USPS Delivery Sequence File, and some newly constructed dwellings.

Interviews for this survey were conducted between January 16 and 20, 2018, with adults age 18 and over representing the 50 states and the District of Columbia. Panel members were randomly drawn from AmeriSpeak, and 1,062 completed the survey—913 via the web and 149 via telephone. Interviews were conducted in both English and Spanish, depending on respondent preference. The final stage completion rate is 19.8 percent, the weighted household panel response rate is 34.2 percent, and the weighted household panel retention rate is 85.1 percent, for a cumulative response rate of 5.8 percent. The overall margin of sampling error is +/- 4.1 percentage points at the 95 percent confidence level, including the design effect. The margin of sampling error may be higher for subgroups.

Once the sample has been selected and fielded, and all the study data have been collected and made final, a poststratification process is used to adjust for any survey nonresponse as well as any noncoverage or under and oversampling resulting from the study specific sample design. Poststratification variables included age, gender, census division, race/ethnicity, and education. Weighting variables were obtained from the 2018 Current Population Survey. The weighted data reflect the U.S. population of adults age 18 and over.

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