



The Link Between Government Performance and Attitudes Toward the U.S. Democratic System

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1,003 adults

Margin of error: +/- 4.2 percentage points at the 95% confidence level among all adults

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

DEM1. How often can you trust the federal government in Washington to do what is right?

AP-NORC 3/14-18/2019	Overall	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Always/Most of the time NET	13	12	10	15
Always	2	1	5	1
Most of the time	12	12	5	14
Some of the time	50	53	46	49
Rarely/Never NET	36	35	38	37
Rarely	28	28	24	31
Never	8	7	14	6
DON'T KNOW	-	-	-	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1	-	6	-
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DEM2. Which of the following comes closest to your view, even if neither is exactly right?

AP-NORC 3/14-18/2019	Overall	Democrat	Independent	Republican
If the right people are elected, the government in Washington can work well	70	83	56	61
The government in Washington can't work well, no matter who is elected	28	16	37	38
DON'T KNOW	*	*	-	1
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	2	*	7	1
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DEM3. Thinking about the structure of the U.S. system of government, which of the following comes closest to your view?

AP-NORC 3/14-18/2019	Overall	Democrat	Independent	Republican
It doesn't need changes	6	3	4	10
It needs minor changes	26	25	24	30
It needs major changes	54	61	42	52
It needs to be completely replaced with a new system	12	11	22	8
DON'T KNOW	-	-	-	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1	-	8	-
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PERF1. How well do you think each of the following is working in U.S. today?

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AP-NORC 3/14-18/2019	Extremely /Very well NET	Extremely well	Very well	Somewhat well	Not too/Not at all well NET	Not too well	Not at all well	DK	SKP/ REF
News organizations reporting freely on the actions of the government and elected officials	20	6	14	33	45	25	20	*	2
The system of checks and balances dividing power between the President, Congress, and the courts	15	4	11	36	47	33	14	*	2
The way elections are conducted	17	4	12	37	45	28	17	*	2
Protections of individual rights and freedoms	17	4	12	43	39	26	13	*	2

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News organizations reporting freely on the actions of the government and elected officials

	Overall	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Extremely/Very well NET	20	29	15	12
Extremely well	6	9	4	4
Very well	14	21	11	8
Somewhat well	33	37	38	27
Not too/Not at all well NET	45	33	39	61
Not too well	25	22	26	29
Not at all well	20	11	14	32
DON'T KNOW	*	*	-	-
SKIP/REFUSE	2	*	8	*

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The system of checks and balances dividing power between the President, Congress, and the courts

	Overall	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Extremely/Very well NET	15	13	10	19
Extremely well	4	3	5	4
Very well	11	10	5	15
Somewhat well	36	32	37	41
Not too/Not at all well NET	47	54	45	39
Not too well	33	37	33	27
Not at all well	14	17	12	12
DON'T KNOW	*	*	-	-
SKIP/REFUSE	2	*	8	*
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The way elections are conducted

	Overall	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Extremely/Very well NET	17	13	15	21
Extremely well	4	4	5	4
Very well	12	9	10	17
Somewhat well	37	31	35	44
Not too/Not at all well NET	45	55	42	35
Not too well	28	32	27	25
Not at all well	17	23	15	10
DON'T KNOW	*	*	*	-
SKIP/REFUSE	2	*	8	*
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Protections of individual rights and freedoms

	Overall	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Extremely/Very well NET	17	13	14	23
Extremely well	4	5	6	3
Very well	12	8	7	19
Somewhat well	43	45	42	40
Not too/Not at all well NET	39	41	37	38
Not too well	26	28	26	24
Not at all well	13	13	10	13
DON'T KNOW	*	*	-	-
SKIP/REFUSE	2	*	8	*
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REP1. Do you think each of the following has [too much, too little, or neither too much nor too little/too little, too much, or neither too little nor too much] power and influence in Washington?

[ITEMS RANDOMIZED]

AP-NORC 3/14-18/2019	Far too/Some what too much NET	Far too much	Somewhat too much	Neither too much nor too little	Somewhat too/Far too little NET	Somewhat too little	Far too little	DK	SKP/ REF
Wealthy people	81	56	26	12	6	4	2	*	1
Large businesses	78	49	29	15	5	4	1	*	2
People like you	5	2	2	24	70	32	38	-	1
Racial and ethnic minorities	25	11	14	28	45	24	21	1	1
Whites	38	15	23	43	17	11	5	*	2
Labor unions	32	10	23	38	27	20	7	2	2
Poor people	7	3	4	19	73	25	48	*	1
Average Americans	5	2	4	28	65	36	29	*	1

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Democrats

AP-NORC 3/14-18/2019	Far too/Some what too much NET	Far too much	Somewhat too much	Neither too much nor too little	Somewhat too/Far too little NET	Somewhat too little	Far too little	DK	SKP/ REF
Wealthy people	88	71	16	5	7	5	2	-	*
Large businesses	85	64	21	9	6	5	1	-	*
People like you	3	1	2	20	76	36	40	-	*
Racial and ethnic minorities	8	3	6	22	68	35	33	*	*
Whites	60	24	36	29	10	7	3	*	1
Labor unions	20	4	16	37	42	29	13	1	1
Poor people	3	2	1	7	89	26	63	*	1
Average Americans	5	2	3	21	72	39	34	1	1

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Independents

AP-NORC 3/14-18/2019	Far too/Some what too much NET	Far too much	Somewhat too much	Neither too much nor too little	Somewhat too/Far too little NET	Somewhat too little	Far too little	DK	SKP/ REF
Wealthy people	73	52	21	16	5	3	3	-	5
Large businesses	70	41	29	21	5	2	2	-	5
People like you	5	4	1	26	64	16	48	-	5
Racial and ethnic minorities	29	13	16	33	31	15	16	2	5
Whites	38	13	25	40	17	8	9	*	5
Labor unions	30	11	19	43	20	15	5	2	5
Poor people	8	6	2	21	65	21	44	-	5
Average Americans	9	1	8	33	53	30	24	-	5

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Republicans

AP-NORC 3/14-18/2019	Far too/Some what too much NET	Far too much	Somewhat too much	Neither too much nor too little	Somewhat too/Far too little NET	Somewhat too little	Far too little	DK	SKP/ REF
Wealthy people	77	38	39	18	4	3	1	*	*
Large businesses	73	34	38	20	5	3	1	1	2
People like you	6	2	4	28	66	35	31	-	1
Racial and ethnic minorities	43	19	24	34	22	14	8	1	*
Whites	12	5	7	60	24	17	7	*	2
Labor unions	47	16	31	36	12	10	2	2	2
Poor people	12	3	9	31	57	25	32	*	1
Average Americans	4	1	3	34	61	35	26	*	1

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Wealthy people

	Overall	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Far too/Somewhat too much NET	81	88	73	77
Far too much	56	71	52	38
Somewhat too much	26	16	21	39
Neither too much nor too little	12	5	16	18
Somewhat too/Far too little NET	6	7	5	4
Somewhat too little	4	5	3	3
Far too little	2	2	3	1
DON'T KNOW	*	-	-	*
SKIP/REFUSE	1	*	5	*
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Large businesses

	Overall	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Far too/Somewhat too much NET	78	85	70	73
Far too much	49	64	41	34
Somewhat too much	29	21	29	38
Neither too much nor too little	15	9	21	20
Somewhat too/Far too little NET	5	6	5	5
Somewhat too little	4	5	2	3
Far too little	1	1	2	1
DON'T KNOW	*	-	-	1
SKIP/REFUSE	2	*	5	2
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People like you

	Overall	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Far too/Somewhat too much NET	5	3	5	6
Far too much	2	1	4	2
Somewhat too much	2	2	1	4
Neither too much nor too little	24	20	26	28
Somewhat too/Far too little NET	70	76	64	66
Somewhat too little	32	36	16	35
Far too little	38	40	48	31
DON'T KNOW	-	-	-	-
SKIP/REFUSE	1	*	5	1
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Racial and ethnic minorities

	Overall	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Far too/Somewhat too much NET	25	8	29	43
Far too much	11	3	13	19
Somewhat too much	14	6	16	24
Neither too much nor too little	28	22	33	34
Somewhat too/Far too little NET	45	68	31	22
Somewhat too little	24	35	15	14
Far too little	21	33	16	8
DON'T KNOW	1	*	2	1
SKIP/REFUSE	1	*	5	*
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Whites

	Overall	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Far too/Somewhat too much NET	38	60	38	12
Far too much	15	24	13	5
Somewhat too much	23	36	25	7
Neither too much nor too little	43	29	40	60
Somewhat too/Far too little NET	17	10	17	24
Somewhat too little	11	7	8	17
Far too little	5	3	9	7
DON'T KNOW	*	*	*	*
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Labor unions

	Overall	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Far too/Somewhat too much NET	32	20	30	47
Far too much	10	4	11	16
Somewhat too much	23	16	19	31
Neither too much nor too little	38	37	43	36
Somewhat too/Far too little NET	27	42	20	12
Somewhat too little	20	29	15	10
Far too little	7	13	5	2
DON'T KNOW	2	1	2	2
SKIP/REFUSE	2	1	5	2
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Poor people

	Overall	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Far too/Somewhat too much NET	7	3	8	12
Far too much	3	2	6	3
Somewhat too much	4	1	2	9
Neither too much nor too little	19	7	21	31
Somewhat too/Far too little NET	73	89	65	57
Somewhat too little	25	26	21	25
Far too little	48	63	44	32
DON'T KNOW	*	*	-	*
SKIP/REFUSE	1	1	5	1
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Average Americans

	Overall	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Far too/Somewhat too much NET	5	5	9	4
Far too much	2	2	1	1
Somewhat too much	4	3	8	3
Neither too much nor too little	28	21	33	34
Somewhat too/Far too little NET	65	72	53	61
Somewhat too little	36	39	30	35
Far too little	29	34	24	26
DON'T KNOW	*	1	-	*
SKIP/REFUSE	1	1	5	1
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PERF2. How much responsibility do you think the government should have for handling each of the following?

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AP-NORC 3/14-18/2019	A great deal/A lot NET	A great deal	A lot	Somewhat	A little/Not at all NET	A little	Not at all	DK	SKP/ REF
Addressing climate change	54	33	21	22	23	11	12	*	1
Reducing the gap between the rich and poor	49	29	20	25	24	11	14	*	1
Securing the country's borders	67	41	26	23	9	6	3	*	1
Ensuring that all Americans have access to health care	65	44	21	19	15	6	8	*	2
Promoting economic and job growth	81	45	36	15	3	2	1	*	1
Reducing the trade deficit with other countries	70	40	30	20	7	5	2	*	2
Reducing crime	71	37	34	20	8	6	2	-	2
Keeping the country safe from terrorism	86	61	24	9	3	3	*	-	1

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AP-NORC 3/14-18/2019	A great deal/A lot NET	A great deal	A lot	Somewhat	A little/Not at all NET	A little	Not at all	DK	SKP/ REF
Addressing climate change	76	52	24	12	11	5	6	-	*
Reducing the gap between the rich and poor	72	47	25	19	8	4	4	-	1
Securing the country's borders	54	23	30	33	13	9	4	*	*
Ensuring that all Americans have access to health care	85	64	21	9	6	2	4	-	*
Promoting economic and job growth	85	51	34	12	3	2	1	-	*
Reducing the trade deficit with other countries	69	41	28	22	8	5	2	*	1
Reducing crime	77	43	34	15	8	7	1	-	*
Keeping the country safe from terrorism	83	58	25	13	3	2	1	-	*

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Independents

AP-NORC 3/14-18/2019	A great deal/A lot NET	A great deal	A lot	Somewhat	A little/Not at all NET	A little	Not at all	DK	SKP/ REF
Addressing climate change	55	33	22	17	21	10	11	-	7
Reducing the gap between the rich and poor	48	29	19	28	17	10	8	-	7
Securing the country's borders	66	38	28	19	8	5	4	-	7
Ensuring that all Americans have access to health care	65	45	19	14	15	5	10	-	7
Promoting economic and job growth	70	45	26	18	3	2	1	2	7
Reducing the trade deficit with other countries	57	34	23	29	7	5	3	-	7
Reducing crime	67	41	25	19	7	3	4	-	8
Keeping the country safe from terrorism	81	56	25	12	1	*	*	-	7

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Republicans

AP-NORC 3/14-18/2019	A great deal/A lot NET	A great deal	A lot	Somewhat	A little/Not at all NET	A little	Not at all	DK	SKP/ REF
Addressing climate change	27	11	15	35	38	18	20	*	*
Reducing the gap between the rich and poor	22	8	14	31	47	19	28	1	-
Securing the country's borders	84	64	21	12	4	3	1	-	-
Ensuring that all Americans have access to health care	42	21	21	33	24	11	13	*	1
Promoting economic and job growth	80	39	42	16	3	1	2	*	*
Reducing the trade deficit with other countries	77	41	37	14	7	5	2	*	2
Reducing crime	66	29	37	26	8	6	1	-	*
Keeping the country safe from terrorism	91	68	23	4	5	5	-	-	*

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Addressing climate change

	Overall	Democrat	Independent	Republican
A great deal/A lot NET	54	76	55	27
A great deal	33	52	33	11
A lot	21	24	22	15
Somewhat	22	12	17	35
A little/Not at all NET	23	11	21	38
A little	11	5	10	18
Not at all	12	6	11	20
DON'T KNOW	*	-	-	*
SKIP/REFUSE	1	*	7	*
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Reducing the gap between the rich and poor

	Overall	Democrat	Independent	Republican
A great deal/A lot NET	49	72	48	22
A great deal	29	47	29	8
A lot	20	25	19	14
Somewhat	25	19	28	31
A little/Not at all NET	24	8	17	47
A little	11	4	10	19
Not at all	14	4	8	28
DON'T KNOW	*	-	-	1
SKIP/REFUSE	1	1	7	-
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Securing the country's borders

	Overall	Democrat	Independent	Republican
A great deal/A lot NET	67	54	66	84
A great deal	41	23	38	64
A lot	26	30	28	21
Somewhat	23	33	19	12
A little/Not at all NET	9	13	8	4
A little	6	9	5	3
Not at all	3	4	4	1
DON'T KNOW	*	*	-	-
SKIP/REFUSE	1	*	7	-
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Ensuring that all Americans have access to health care

	Overall	Democrat	Independent	Republican
A great deal/A lot NET	65	85	65	42
A great deal	44	64	45	21
A lot	21	21	19	21
Somewhat	19	9	14	33
A little/Not at all NET	15	6	15	24
A little	6	2	5	11
Not at all	8	4	10	13
DON'T KNOW	*	-	-	*
SKIP/REFUSE	2	*	7	1
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Promoting economic and job growth

	Overall	Democrat	Independent	Republican
A great deal/A lot NET	81	85	70	80
A great deal	45	51	45	39
A lot	36	34	26	42
Somewhat	15	12	18	16
A little/Not at all NET	3	3	3	3
A little	2	2	2	1
Not at all	1	1	1	2
DON'T KNOW	*	-	2	*
SKIP/REFUSE	1	*	7	*
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Reducing the trade deficit with other countries

	Overall	Democrat	Independent	Republican
A great deal/A lot NET	70	69	57	77
A great deal	40	41	34	41
A lot	30	28	23	37
Somewhat	20	22	29	14
A little/Not at all NET	7	8	7	7
A little	5	5	5	5
Not at all	2	2	3	2
DON'T KNOW	*	*	-	*
SKIP/REFUSE	2	1	7	2
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Reducing crime

	Overall	Democrat	Independent	Republican
A great deal/A lot NET	71	77	67	66
A great deal	37	43	41	29
A lot	34	34	25	37
Somewhat	20	15	19	26
A little/Not at all NET	8	8	7	8
A little	6	7	3	6
Not at all	2	1	4	1
DON'T KNOW	-	-	-	-
SKIP/REFUSE	2	*	8	*
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Keeping the country safe from terrorism

	Overall	Democrat	Independent	Republican
A great deal/A lot NET	86	83	81	91
A great deal	61	58	56	68
A lot	24	25	25	23
Somewhat	9	13	12	4
A little/Not at all NET	3	3	1	5
A little	3	2	*	5
Not at all	*	1	*	-
DON'T KNOW	-	-	-	-
SKIP/REFUSE	1	*	7	*
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PERF3. How well is the government handling each of the following?

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AP-NORC 3/14-18/2019	Extremely /Very well NET	Extremely well	Very well	Somewhat well	Slightly/Not at all well NET	Slightly well	Not at all well	DK	SKP/ REF
Addressing climate change	6	2	4	28	62	17	46	1	3
Reducing the gap between the rich and poor	5	2	3	19	73	18	56	*	2
Securing the country's borders	15	4	11	32	50	24	27	*	2
Ensuring that all Americans have access to health care	9	2	7	28	61	22	39	1	2
Promoting economic and job growth	22	6	16	38	38	21	17	1	2
Reducing the trade deficit with other countries	14	4	10	30	53	23	30	1	2
Reducing crime	10	3	7	34	54	23	31	*	2
Keeping the country safe from terrorism	28	6	22	35	35	22	13	*	1

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Democrats

AP-NORC 3/14-18/2019	Extremely /Very well NET	Extremely well	Very well	Somewhat well	Slightly/Not at all well NET	Slightly well	Not at all well	DK	SKP/ REF
Addressing climate change	2	1	2	19	77	13	64	*	1
Reducing the gap between the rich and poor	3	1	2	9	87	13	74	-	1
Securing the country's borders	18	2	16	36	45	23	21	*	1
Ensuring that all Americans have access to health care	7	3	5	17	75	24	51	-	*
Promoting economic and job growth	9	3	6	37	52	26	26	1	1
Reducing the trade deficit with other countries	7	2	5	23	68	26	41	*	1
Reducing crime	8	4	3	26	64	24	40	*	1
Keeping the country safe from terrorism	24	4	20	35	40	24	16	*	1

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Independents

AP-NORC 3/14-18/2019	Extremely /Very well NET	Extremely well	Very well	Somewhat well	Slightly/Not at all well NET	Slightly well	Not at all well	DK	SKP/ REF
Addressing climate change	5	2	2	26	60	14	46	2	8
Reducing the gap between the rich and poor	10	4	7	20	63	18	46	-	7
Securing the country's borders	9	5	5	32	51	19	32	-	7
Ensuring that all Americans have access to health care	9	4	6	27	55	18	37	2	7
Promoting economic and job growth	16	2	14	41	37	17	20	2	5
Reducing the trade deficit with other countries	10	2	9	34	47	19	29	2	6
Reducing crime	9	2	6	33	50	14	36	-	8
Keeping the country safe from terrorism	27	5	22	33	35	18	17	-	5

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Republicans

AP-NORC 3/14-18/2019	Extremely /Very well NET	Extremely well	Very well	Somewhat well	Slightly/Not at all well NET	Slightly well	Not at all well	DK	SKP/ REF
Addressing climate change	10	3	7	41	46	21	25	1	2
Reducing the gap between the rich and poor	5	2	2	31	61	24	38	1	2
Securing the country's borders	14	6	9	27	57	25	31	*	2
Ensuring that all Americans have access to health care	11	1	10	40	46	20	26	1	2
Promoting economic and job growth	39	11	28	38	23	17	6	*	*
Reducing the trade deficit with other countries	24	6	17	35	39	21	18	*	2
Reducing crime	15	3	12	43	42	25	18	-	*
Keeping the country safe from terrorism	33	10	24	36	30	21	9	-	*

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Addressing climate change

	Overall	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Extremely/Very well NET	6	2	5	10
Extremely well	2	1	2	3
Very well	4	2	2	7
Somewhat well	28	19	26	41
Slightly/Not at all well NET	62	77	60	46
Slightly well	17	13	14	21
Not at all well	46	64	46	25
DON'T KNOW	1	*	2	1
SKIP/REFUSE	3	1	8	2

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Reducing the gap between the rich and poor

	Overall	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Extremely/Very well NET	5	3	10	5
Extremely well	2	1	4	2
Very well	3	2	7	2
Somewhat well	19	9	20	31
Slightly/Not at all well NET	73	87	63	61
Slightly well	18	13	18	24
Not at all well	56	74	46	38
DON'T KNOW	*	-	-	1
SKIP/REFUSE	2	1	7	2
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,003</i>	<i>486</i>	<i>162</i>	<i>355</i>

Securing the country's borders

	Overall	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Extremely/Very well NET	15	18	9	14
Extremely well	4	2	5	6
Very well	11	16	5	9
Somewhat well	32	36	32	27
Slightly/Not at all well NET	50	45	51	57
Slightly well	24	23	19	25
Not at all well	27	21	32	31
DON'T KNOW	*	*	-	*
SKIP/REFUSE	2	1	7	2
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,003</i>	<i>486</i>	<i>162</i>	<i>355</i>

Ensuring that all Americans have access to health care

	Overall	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Extremely/Very well NET	9	7	9	11
Extremely well	2	3	4	1
Very well	7	5	6	10
Somewhat well	28	17	27	40
Slightly/Not at all well NET	61	75	55	46
Slightly well	22	24	18	20
Not at all well	39	51	37	26
DON'T KNOW	1	-	2	1
SKIP/REFUSE	2	*	7	2
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,003</i>	<i>486</i>	<i>162</i>	<i>355</i>

Promoting economic and job growth

	Overall	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Extremely/Very well NET	22	9	16	39
Extremely well	6	3	2	11
Very well	16	6	14	28
Somewhat well	38	37	41	38
Slightly/Not at all well NET	38	52	37	23
Slightly well	21	26	17	17
Not at all well	17	26	20	6
DON'T KNOW	1	1	2	*
SKIP/REFUSE	2	1	5	*
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,003</i>	<i>486</i>	<i>162</i>	<i>355</i>

Reducing the trade deficit with other countries

	Overall	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Extremely/Very well NET	14	7	10	24
Extremely well	4	2	2	6
Very well	10	5	9	17
Somewhat well	30	23	34	35
Slightly/Not at all well NET	53	68	47	39
Slightly well	23	26	19	21
Not at all well	30	41	29	18
DON'T KNOW	1	*	2	*
SKIP/REFUSE	2	1	6	2
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,003</i>	<i>486</i>	<i>162</i>	<i>355</i>

Reducing crime

	Overall	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Extremely/Very well NET	10	8	9	15
Extremely well	3	4	2	3
Very well	7	3	6	12
Somewhat well	34	26	33	43
Slightly/Not at all well NET	54	64	50	42
Slightly well	23	24	14	25
Not at all well	31	40	36	18
DON'T KNOW	*	*	-	-
SKIP/REFUSE	2	1	8	*
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,003</i>	<i>486</i>	<i>162</i>	<i>355</i>

Keeping the country safe from terrorism

	Overall	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Extremely/Very well NET	28	24	27	33
Extremely well	6	4	5	10
Very well	22	20	22	24
Somewhat well	35	35	33	36
Slightly/Not at all well NET	35	40	35	30
Slightly well	22	24	18	21
Not at all well	13	16	17	9
DON'T KNOW	*	*	-	-
SKIP/REFUSE	1	1	5	*
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,003</i>	<i>486</i>	<i>162</i>	<i>355</i>

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

	NORC 3/14-18/2019
Democrat	36
Republican	27
Independent	22
None of these	14
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,003</i>

If Democrat in PID1

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

	NORC 3/14-18/2019
Strong Democrat	43
Moderate Democrat	57
DON'T KNOW	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	-
<i>N=</i>	<i>380</i>

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If Republican in PID1

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

	NORC 3/14-18/2019
Strong Republican	41
Moderate Republican	58
DON'T KNOW	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	2
<i>N=</i>	<i>260</i>

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?

	NORC 3/14-18/2019
Lean Democrat	26
Lean Republican	29
Don't lean	42
DON'T KNOW	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	4
<i>N=</i>	<i>363</i>

POLITICS. Combines PID1, PIDA, PIDB, and PIDI.

	NORC 3/14-18/2019
Democrat NET	45
Strong Democrat	15
Moderate Democrat	20
Lean Democrat	10
Independent/None – Don't lean	17
Republican NET	38
Lean Republican	11
Moderate Republican	16
Strong Republican	11
Unknown	1
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,003</i>

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

	NORC 3/14-18/2019
Liberal	23
Conservative	32
Moderate	42
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	4

N= 1,003

AGE

	NORC 3/14-18/2019
18-24	12
25-34	18
35-44	15
45-54	17
55-64	17
65-74	14
75+	7

N= 1,003

GENDER

	NORC 3/14-18/2019
Male	48
Female	52

N= 1,003

RACE/ETHNICITY

	NORC 3/14-18/2019
White	63
Black or African American	12
Hispanic	16
Other	8

N= 1,003

MARITAL STATUS

	NORC 3/14-18/2019
Married	50
Widowed	4
Divorced	12
Separated	2
Never married	25
Living with partner	8
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,003</i>

EMPLOYMENT STATUS

	NORC 3/14-18/2019
Employed	58
Not employed	42
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,003</i>

EDUCATION

	NORC 3/14-18/2019
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>1,003</i>

INCOME

	AP-NORC 3/14-18/2019
Under \$10,000	6
\$10,000 to under \$20,000	9
\$20,000 to under \$30,000	13
\$30,000 to under \$40,000	10
\$40,000 to under \$50,000	8
\$50,000 to under \$75,000	16
\$75,000 to under \$100,000	15
\$100,000 to under \$150,000	14
\$150,000 or more	8
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,003</i>

Study Methodology

This survey was conducted by the University of Chicago Harris School of Public Policy and The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research with funding from NORC at the University of Chicago. Staff from Harris Public Policy and The AP-NORC Center collaborated on all aspects of the study.

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 percent 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 March 14 and 18, 2019, with adults age 18 and over representing the 50 states and the District of Columbia. Panel members were randomly drawn from AmeriSpeak, and 1,003 completed the survey—888 via the web and 115 via telephone. Interviews were conducted in English. The final stage completion rate is 22.5 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 6.5 percent. The overall margin of sampling error is +/- 4.18 percentage points at the 95 percent confidence level, including the design effect. The margin of sampling error may be higher for subgroups.

Among respondents, 486 identified as Democrats, and the margin of sampling error for Democrat respondents is +/- 5.77 percentage points at the 95 percent confidence level, including the design effect. There were 162 respondents who identified as independents, and the margin of sampling error for independent respondents is +/- 9.29 percentage points at the 95 percent confidence level, including the design effect. There were 355 respondents who identified as Republicans, and the margin of sampling error for Republican respondents is +/- 6.36 percentage points at the 95 percent confidence level, including the design effect.

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.

A topline with full question wordings is available at www.apnorc.org. For more information, email info@apnorc.org.

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