

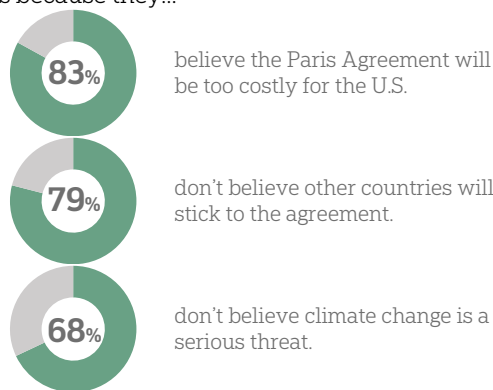
The Paris Agreement

FINDINGS FROM AN AUGUST 2017 SURVEY OF ADULTS AGE 18 AND OLDER

- ✓ **More Americans oppose withdrawal from the Paris Agreement than support it, but 3 in 10 don't have an opinion.**
 - Twenty-eight percent say they support withdrawal, 42% oppose it, and 28% neither support nor oppose withdrawal.
 - Opinion remains unchanged since June 2017.
- ✓ **Half of those who support withdrawal say the agreement was too costly for the U.S.**
 - Among those who support withdrawal, 52% say a major reason why is because the agreement was too costly for the U.S.
 - Not believing other countries would stick to the agreement is a major reason why 44% support withdrawal.
 - Seven in 10 under age 45 are concerned that other countries won't stick to the agreement, compared with 84% of adults age 45 and older.
 - Fewer support withdrawal because they believe climate change is not a serious threat.

Support for U.S. withdrawal from the Paris Agreement has more to do with economics than attitudes toward climate change.

% who say a major or minor reason why they support withdrawal is because they...



Question: There are many reasons why someone might support U.S. withdrawal from the Paris Agreement. For each of the following, please indicate if it is a major reason, minor reason, or not a reason at all that you support U.S. withdrawal from the Paris Agreement.

- ✓ **Those who oppose withdrawal feel strongly that climate change is a serious threat, the U.S. should meet its commitments, and the U.S. should be a leader on climate change.**
 - Eight in 10 who oppose U.S. withdrawal say a major reason why is that they believe climate change is a serious threat.
 - More than 7 in 10 say major reasons for their opposition are that the U.S. should make good on its commitments and that the U.S. should be a global leader on climate change.

Opposition to U.S. withdrawal from the Paris Agreement is motivated by several concerns.

% who say a major or minor reason why they oppose withdrawal is because they...



Questions: There are many reasons why someone might oppose U.S. withdrawal from the Paris Agreement. For each of the following, please indicate if it is a major reason, minor reason, or not a reason at all that you oppose U.S. withdrawal from the Paris Agreement.

- ✓ **Four in 10 Americans believe U.S. withdrawal will have a demotivating effect on other countries in the agreement.**
 - Thirty-seven percent say U.S. withdrawal from the agreement will make other countries less likely to meet their obligations.
 - Twenty-one percent think U.S. withdrawal from the agreement will make other countries more likely to meet their obligations, while 38% don't think it will make a difference.
 - Older adults are more likely than younger adults to say other countries will be less likely to meet their obligations (44% of adults age 45 and older vs. 29% of adults age 18 to 44).