



The August 2023 AP-NORC Center Poll

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Interviews: 08/10-14/2023

1,165 adults

Margin of sampling error: +/- 3.8 percentage points at the 95% confidence level among all adults

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

OFAV. For each of the following please indicate if you have an unfavorable or favorable opinion. If you don't know enough to have an opinion, you can say that too.

[GRID ITEMS RANDOMIZED]

AP-NORC		Very/ Somewhat unfavorable NET	Very unfavorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very/ Somewhat favorable NET	Some- what favorable	Very favorable	Don't know enough to say	SKP/ REF
Donald Trump	08/10-14/2023 (N=1,165)	62	51	11	35	16	19	3	*
	06/22-26/2023 (N=1,220)	63	50	13	33	19	14	4	*
	04/13-17/2023 (N=1,230)	63	52	11	34	17	17	3	1
	01/26-30/2023 (N=1,068)	62	50	13	35	21	14	2	*
	10/06-10/2022 (N=1,121)	61	49	12	35	17	18	4	*
	1/13-18/2022 (N=1,161)	63	51	12	34	18	16	3	-
	7/15-19/2021 (N=1,308)	60	50	10	37	17	20	2	1
	1/28-2/1/2021 (N=1,055)	61	48	12	36	18	19	3	*
	02/13-16/2020 (N=1,074)	53	42	11	43	17	26	4	*
	10/24-28/2019 (N=1,075)	55	46	9	40	12	28	3	1

AP-NORC		Very/ Somewhat unfavorable NET	Very unfavorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very/ Somewhat favorable NET	Some- what favorable	Very favorable	Don't know enough to say	SKP/ REF
Mike Pence	08/10-14/2023 (N=1,165)	57	28	29	28	22	6	15	*
	06/22-26/2023 (N=1,220)	53	34	19	44	26	17	3	*
	04/13-17/2023 (N=1,230)	51	35	16	45	29	16	3	1
	06/22-26/2023 (N=1,220)	53	34	19	44	26	17	3	*
	06/22-26/2023 (N=1,220)	53	34	19	44	26	17	3	*
	04/13-17/2023 (N=1,230)	51	35	16	45	29	16	3	1
Ron DeSantis	08/10-14/2023 (N=1,165)	53	41	12	29	18	10	19	*
	06/22-26/2023 (N=1,220)	46	34	12	32	20	12	21	1
	04/13-17/2023 (N=1,230)	45	32	13	31	16	16	24	*
	10/06-10/2022 (N=1,121)	40	29	11	30	13	17	30	*
	7/15-19/2021 (N= 1,308)	30	21	9	27	11	16	42	1

AP1. Next we will ask you about some institutions in this country. As far as the people running these institutions are concerned, would you say you have a great deal of confidence, only some confidence, or hardly any confidence at all in them?

[GRID ITEMS RANDOMIZED]

AP-NORC		A great deal of confidence	Only some confidence	Hardly any confidence at all	DK	SKP /REF
Congress	08/10-14/2023 (N=1,165)	4	49	46	*	1
	03/16-20/2023 (N=1,081)	5	45	49	*	2
	07/14-17/2022 (N=1,085)	3	47	48	-	2
	4/14-18/2022 (N=1,085)	4	43	51	*	1
	2/18-21/2022 (N=1,289)	6	48	46	*	*
	09/11-14/2020 (N = 1,108)	5	47	48	*	1
	02/13-16/2020 (N=1,074)	8	49	43	-	*
	6/8-11/2017 (N=1,068)	6	53	40	*	1
	5/12-15/2016 (N=1,108)	4	48	46	*	1
	2/18-3/6/2016 (N=2,014)	4	46	50	*	1
The Supreme Court	08/10-14/2023 (N=1,165)	15	49	36	*	1
	03/16-20/2023 (N=1,081)	14	47	37	*	1
	07/14-17/2022 (N=1,085)	17	39	43	-	1
	4/14-18/2022 (N=1,085)	18	54	27	*	1
	2/18-21/2022 (N=1,289)	21	55	24	*	*
	09/11-14/2020 (N=1,108)	21	61	17	*	1
	02/13-16/2020 (N=1,074)	28	58	14	-	*
	6/8-11/2017 (N=1,068)	24	59	15	*	1
	5/12-15/2016 (N=1,108)	24	58	17	*	1
	2/18-3/6/2016 (N=2,014)	26	59	14	1	1
Executive branch of the federal government	08/10-14/2023 (N=1,165)	12	48	38	*	1
	03/16-20/2023 (N=1,081)	11	43	44	*	1
	07/14-17/2022 (N=1,085)	7	50	43	*	1
	4/14-18/2022 (N=1,085)	16	46	36	*	2
	2/18-21/2022 (N=1,289)	15	52	33	*	*
	09/11-14/2020 (N=1,108)	18	46	35	*	1
	02/13-16/2020 (N=1,074)	17	48	35	*	1
	6/8-11/2017 (N=1,068)	14	48	37	1	*
	5/12-15/2016 (N=1,108)	15	50	33	*	1
The U.S. Justice Department	08/10-14/2023 (N=1,165)	17	50	31	*	1

ORELECT. Would you like to see each of the following individuals run for president in 2024, or not?

[GRID ITEMS RANDOMIZED]

AP-NORC		Yes	No	DK	SKP/ REF
Joe Biden	08/10-14/2023 (N=1,165)	24	75	1	1
	04/13-17/2023 (N=1,230)	27	73	*	*
	1/26-30/2023 (N=1,068)	22	78	*	1
	10/06-10/2022 (N=1,121)	29	70	-	1
	1/13-18/2022 (N=1,161)	28	70	*	1
Donald Trump	08/10-14/2023 (N=1,165)	30	69	*	1
	04/13-17/2023 (N=1,230)	30	70	*	*
	1/26-30/2023 (N=1,068)	27	72	*	1
	10/06-10/2022 (N=1,121)	29	70	-	1
	1/13-18/2022 (N=1,161)	27	72	-	1

REELECT2. If each of the following individuals were their party's nominee for president in 2024, would you definitely support, probably support, probably NOT support or definitely NOT support them?

[GRID ITEMS RANDOMIZED IN SAME ORDER AS REELECT]

AP-NORC		Definitely/ probably support NET	Definitely support	Probably support	Probably/ Definitely NOT support NET	Probably NOT support	Definitely NOT support	DK	SKP/ REF
Joe Biden	08/10-14/2023 (N=1,165)	45	22	23	54	11	43	*	1
	04/13-17/2023 (N=1,230)	43	20	23	56	15	41	*	1
Donald Trump	08/10-14/2023 (N=1,165)	36	21	15	63	11	53	*	1
	04/13-17/2023 (N=1,230)	35	21	13	65	12	53	*	*

OLEGIT. Do you think Joe Biden was legitimately elected president, or not?

	AP NORC 08/10- 14/2023	AP-NORC 10/06-10/2022	AP-NORC 7/15- 19/2021	AP-NORC 1/28-2/1/2021
Yes, legitimately elected	70	67	68	66
No, not legitimately elected	28	31	31	33
DON'T KNOW	1	1	1	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1	1	1	1
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,165</i>	<i>1,121</i>	<i>1,308</i>	<i>1,055</i>

DJT1. How much have you heard or read about Donald Trump's indictment in a federal case involving allegations that he worked to overturn the results of the 2020 presidential election?

	AP-NORC 08/10-14/2023
A lot	39
Some	34
Only a little	21
Nothing at all	5
DK	-
SKP/REF	1
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,165</i>

DJT2. Do you approve, disapprove or neither approve nor disapprove of the Justice Department indicting Donald Trump in this case?

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

	AP-NORC 08/10-14/2023
Strongly approve	41
Somewhat approve	12
Neither approve nor disapprove	17
Somewhat disapprove	9
Strongly disapprove	20
DK	*
SKP/REF	1
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,165</i>

DJT5. When it comes to each of the following, do you think Donald Trump has done something illegal, or he has done something unethical, but not illegal, or do you think he has not done anything wrong? If you don't know enough to say, you can say that too.

[GRID ITEMS RANDOMIZED]

AP-NORC		Illegal	Unethical, but not illegal	Nothing wrong	Don't know enough to say	SKP/REF
The classified documents found at his Florida home	08/10-14/2023 (N=1,165)	53	16	15	16	1
	06/22-26/2023 (N=1,220)	53	16	13	17	1
	04/13-17/2023 (N=1,230)	47	17	16	18	*
His role in what happened at the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021	08/10-14/2023 (N=1,165)	47	18	21	13	1
	06/22-26/2023 (N=1,220)	45	21	19	13	1
	04/13-17/2023 (N=1,230)	49	19	20	12	*
His alleged attempt to interfere in Georgia's vote count in the 2020 presidential election	08/10-14/2023 (N=1,165)	51	13	15	20	1
	06/22-26/2023 (N=1,220)	50	13	17	19	1
	04/13-17/2023 (N=1,230)	53	12	17	17	*
Allegations that he covered up hush money payments to a woman who said he had an affair with her	08/10-14/2023 (N=1,165)	34	38	14	13	1
	06/22-26/2023 (N=1,220)	35	33	14	15	2
	04/13-17/2023 (N=1,230)	41	33	14	13	*

DJT6. Which of the following comes closest to your opinion? Do you think Donald Trump’s actions after the 2020 presidential election did more to threaten democracy, to defend democracy or did it not do either one?

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

	AP-NORC 08/10-14/2023
Did more to threaten democracy	54
Did more to defend democracy	19
Neither	25
DK	*
SKP/REF	1
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,165</i>

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

If Democrat:

PIDA. Do you consider yourself a strong or not so strong Democrat?

If Republican:

PIDB. Do you consider yourself a strong or not so strong Republican?

If independent, none of these, don’t know, skipped, or refused:

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

Combines PID1, PIDI, PIDA, and PIDB.

	AP-NORC 08/10-14/2023
Democrat NET	44
Strong Democrat	17
Not so strong Democrat	15
Lean Democrat	12
Independent/None – Don’t lean	20
Republican NET	36
Lean Republican	12
Not so strong Republican	11
Strong Republican	14
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,165</i>

D3. Generally speaking, do you consider yourself to be a liberal, moderate, or conservative?

If liberal:

D4. Do you consider yourself very liberal or somewhat liberal?

If conservative:

IDEO. Do you consider yourself very conservative or somewhat conservative?

Combines D3, D4, and D5.

	AP-NORC 08/10-14/2023
Liberal NET	21
Very liberal	11
Somewhat liberal	10
Moderate	47
Conservative NET	31
Somewhat conservative	17
Very conservative	13
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1

N=

1,165

DM5. How would you describe the community you live in now?

	AP-NORC 08/10-14/2023
Urban area	22
Suburban area	52
Rural area	25
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1

N=

1,165

RELIG. What is your present religion, if any?

	AP-NORC 08/10-14/2023
Protestant	25
Roman Catholic	18
Mormon	1
Orthodox	1
Jewish	1
Muslim	1
Buddhist	2
Hindu	1
Atheist	7
Agnostic	6
Nothing in particular	15
Just Christian	20
Unitarian	1
Something else	1
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*

N= 1,165

If Religion is Protestant, Roman Catholic, Mormon, Orthodox, Christian, or something else:
BORN. Would you describe yourself as a 'born-again' or evangelical Christian, or not?

	AP-NORC 08/10-14/2023
Yes	36
No	64
DON'T KNOW	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	-

N= 797

AGE

	AP-NORC 08/10-14/2023
18-29	20
30-44	26
45-59	23
60+	31

N= 1,165

GENDER

	AP-NORC 08/10-14/2023
Male	49
Female	51
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,165</i>

RACE/ETHNICITY

	AP-NORC 08/10-14/2023
White, non-Hispanic	61
Black or African American	12
Hispanic	17
Other	9
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,165</i>

MARITAL STATUS

	AP-NORC 08/10-14/2023
Married	46
Not married	54
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,165</i>

EMPLOYMENT STATUS

	AP-NORC 08/10-14/2023
Employed	61
Not employed	39
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,165</i>

EDUCATION

	AP-NORC 08/10-14/2023
Less than a high school diploma	9
High school graduate or equivalent	29
Some college	26
College graduate or above	21
Post grad study/professional degree	14
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,165</i>

CENSUS REGION

	AP-NORC 08/10-14/2023
Northeast NET	17
New England	5
Mid-Atlantic	12
Midwest NET	21
East North Central	14
West North Central	6
South NET	38
South Atlantic	20
East South Central	6
West South Central	12
West NET	24
Mountain	8
Pacific	16

N= 1,165

HOME OWNERSHIP

	AP-NORC 08/10-14/2023
Owned or being bought by you or someone in your household	67
Rented for cash	30
Occupied without payment of cash rent	3

N= 1,165

INCOME

	AP-NORC 08/10-14/2023
Under \$10,000	6
\$10,000 to under \$20,000	9
\$20,000 to under \$30,000	10
\$30,000 to under \$40,000	10
\$40,000 to under \$50,000	7
\$50,000 to under \$75,000	18
\$75,000 to under \$100,000	15
\$100,000 to under \$150,000	12
\$150,000 or more	12

N= 1,165

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 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 August 10-14, 2023 with adults aged 18 and over representing the 50 states and the District of Columbia. Panel members were randomly drawn from AmeriSpeak, and 1,165 completed the survey—1,044 via the web and 121 by telephone. Panel members were invited by email or by phone from an NORC telephone interviewer. Interviews were conducted in both English and Spanish, depending on respondent preference. Respondents were offered a small monetary incentive for completing the survey. The final stage completion rate is 16.1 percent, the weighted household panel response rate is 20.6 percent, and the weighted household panel retention rate is 80.3 percent, for a cumulative response rate of 2.7 percent.

The overall margin of sampling error is +/- 3.8 percentage points at the 95 percent confidence level, including the design effect. The margin of sampling error may be higher for subgroups. For example, the margin of sampling error is +/- 5.6 percentage points for Democrats and +/- 6.4 percentage points for Republicans.

Sampling error is only one of many potential sources of error and there may be other unmeasured error in this or any other survey.

Quality assurance checks were conducted to ensure data quality. In total, 65 interviews were removed for nonresponse to at least 50% of the questions asked of them, for completing the survey in less than one-third the median interview time for the full sample, or for straight-lining all grid questions asked of them. These interviews were excluded from the data file prior to weighting.

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 2023 Current Population Survey. The weighted data reflect the U.S. population of adults age 18 and over.

Complete questions and results are available at: apnorc.org.

Additional information on the AmeriSpeak Panel methodology is available at:
<https://amerispeak.norc.org/about-amerispeak/Pages/Panel-Design.aspx>.
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