

The December 2024 AP-NORC Center Poll

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Interviews: 12/5-9/2024 1,251 adults

Margin of sampling error: +/- 3.7 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 Joe Biden 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 Joe Biden is handling his job as president?

If approve in CUR2:

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

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

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10/5- 9/2023 (N=1,163)	38	13	24	*	*	61	*	21	40	-	1
09/07- 11/2023 (N=1,146)	40	13	26	*	1	59	*	24	36	*	*
08/10- 14/2023 (N=1,165)	42	14	28	1	*	57	*	18	39	-	*
06/22- 26/2023 (N=1,220)	41	14	27	*	1	58	*	21	37	*	*
05/11- 15/2023 (<i>N</i> =1,680)	40	12	28	*	1	59	*	21	38	*	*
04/13- 17/2023 (<i>N</i> =1,230)	42	15	27	1	*	58	1	20	36	*	*
03/16- 20/2023 (N=1,081) 02/16-	38	12	26	*	1	61	1	21	40	-	*
20/2023 (N=1,247) 01/26-	45	16	28	*	1	54	*	19	35	*	1
30/2023 (N=1,068) 12/1-	41	14	27	*	1	58	*	20	37	*	*
5/2022 (<i>N</i> =1,124) 10/06-	43	15	28	*	1	55	1	20	34	-	1
10/2022 (N=1,121) 09/09-	43	15	26	1	1	56	*	20	36	*	*
12/2022 (N=1,054) 07/14-	45	16	30	*	1	53	*	20	33	*	*
17/2022 (<i>N=1,085</i>) 06/23-	36	8	27	*	1	62	*	18	44	*	1
27/2022 (<i>N</i> =1,053) 05/12-	39	12	27	*	1	60	*	19	41	-	*
16/2022 (N=1,172)	39	12	26	1	*	60	1	21	39	*	*

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18/2022	45	15	30	*	*	54	*	18	36	*	*
(N=1,085)											
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21/2022	43	16	27	*	*	56	*	19	37	*	*
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2/18- 21/2022	44	15	29	*	1	55	1	19	35	*	*
(N=1,289)		15	23		_	33	_	13	33		
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18/2022	43	13	30	*	1	56	1	19	36	-	1
(N=1,161)											
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7/2021 (N=1,089)	48	18	30	*	1	51	*	20	30	-	*
10/21-											
25/2021	48	17	31	*	1	51	*	17	34	*	*
(N=1,083)											
9/23-											
27/2021	50	18	31	1	1	49	*	17	32	*	*
(N=1,099)											
8/12-	F4	24	20	*	*	46	*	15	30	*	*
16/2021 (N=1,729)	54	24	30			40	·	15	30		
7/15-											
19/2021	59	25	33	1	*	41	1	14	26	-	*
(N=1,308)											
9/23-											
27/2021	50	18	31	1	1	49	*	17	32	*	*
(N=1,099) 8/12-											
16/2021	54	24	30	*	*	46	*	15	30	*	*
(N=1,729)	34	24	30			40		15	30		
7/15-											
19/2021	59	25	33	1	*	41	1	14	26	-	*
(N=1,308)											
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14/2021	55	26	29	*	1	44	1	14	29	-	-
(N=1,125) 4/29-											
5/3/2021	63	34	29	*	1	36	*	11	25	*	*
(N=1,842)					_						
3/25-											
29/2021	61	31	29	*	*	38	*	13	25	-	1
(N=1,166)											

				Lean	Do not		Lean				
			Some-	toward	lean	Dis-	toward	Some-			
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AP-NORC	NET	approve	approve	ing	way	NET	proving	approve	disapprove	DK	REF
2/25- 3/1/2021 (N=1,434)	60	32	28	*	*	40	*	15	24	*	*
1/28- 2/1/2021 (N=1,055)	61	35	26	*	1	38	*	11	26	*	*

PRES2. How confident are you in Donald Trump's ability to:

[GRID ITEMS RANDOMIZED, HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

	Extremely/ very				Slightly/ not at all				
AP-NORC	confident	Extremely	Very	Moderately	confident	Slightly	Not at all		SKP/
12/5-9/2024	NET	confident	confident	confident	NET	confident	confident	DK	REF
Effectively									
manage the	29	16	13	18	52	10	41	*	1
White House									
Effectively									
manage the	28	15	13	17	54	11	43	*	1
military									
Effectively									
manage	28	15	12	19	52	12	40	_	1
government	20	13	12	19	52	12	40	-	1
spending									
Appoint well-									
qualified people									
for his cabinet									
and other high-	27	14	13	17	55	8	47	-	1
level									
government									
positions									

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PRES3. Do you approve, neither approve nor disapprove, or disapprove of Donald Trump appointing each of the following to roles in his administration, or do you not know enough to say?

[GRID ITEMS RANDOMIZED, HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

	Strongly/			Neither	Strongly/				
AP-NORC	somewhat			approve	somewhat			Don't know	
12/5-	approve	Strongly	Somewhat	nor	disapprove	Somewhat	Strongly	enough to	SKP/
9/2024	NET	approve	approve	disapprove	NET	disapprove	disapprove	say	REF
Robert F.	30	14	16	14	42	9	33	14	*
Kennedy	30	14	10	14	42	9	33	14	
Marco	31	14	17	15	31	11	20	22	*
Rubio	31	14	17	13	31	11	20	22	
Tulsi	21	12	9	13	29	6	23	37	*
Gabbard	21	12	9	15	29	U	23	37	
Pete	17	10	7	11	36	7	29	37	*
Hegseth	1/	10	,	11	30	/	29	37	·

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PARDON. As you may know, Joe Biden has pardoned his son Hunter, who was convicted on felony gun and tax charges earlier this year. Do you approve, neither approve nor disapprove, or disapprove, or do you not know enough to say?

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

	AP-NORC
	12/5-9/2024
Strongly/somewhat approve NET	22
Strongly approve	11
Somewhat approve	11
Neither approve nor disapprove	18
Strongly/somewhat disapprove NET	51
Somewhat disapprove	14
Strongly disapprove	37
Don't know enough to say	8
SKIPPED/REFUSED	1

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.

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

	AP-NORC
	12/5-9/2024
Democrat NET	44
Strong Democrat	19
Not so strong Democrat	15
Lean Democrat	10
Independent/None – Don't lean	19
Republican NET	37
Lean Republican	9
Not so strong Republican	12
Strong Republican	16

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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, D5:

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

	AP-NORC
	12/5-9/2024
Liberal NET	21
Very liberal	10
Somewhat liberal	11
Moderate	50
Conservative NET	27
Somewhat conservative	15
Very conservative	13
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	2

REG. Are you currently registered to vote at your address, or not?

	AP-NORC
	12/5-9/2024
Yes	85
No	14
DON'T KNOW	1
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*
Al	4 254

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

	AP-NORC
	12/5-9/2024
Urban area	27
Suburban area	49
Rural area	23
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1
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RELIG. What is your present religion, if any?

	AP-NORC
	12/5-9/2024
Protestant	25
Roman Catholic	18
Mormon	1
Orthodox	*
Jewish	2
Muslim	1
Buddhist	1
Hindu	1
Atheist	5
Agnostic	7
Nothing in particular	16
Just Christian	20
Unitarian	1
Something else	1
DON'T KNOW	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	-

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
	12/5-9/2024
Yes	34
No	66
DON'T KNOW	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*
N=	832

AGE

	AP-NORC
	12/5-9/2024
18-29	20
30-44	26
45-59	23
60+	31
N=	1.251

GENDER

	AP-NORC
	12/5-9/2024
Male	49
Female	51
N=	1,251

RACE/ETHNICITY

	AP-NORC
	12/5-9/2024
White, non-Hispanic	61
Black or African American	12
Hispanic	18
Other	9
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MARITAL STATUS

	AP-NORC
	12/5-9/2024
Married	52
Not married	48
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EMPLOYMENT STATUS

	AP-NORC
	12/5-9/2024
Employed	61
Not employed	39

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EDUCATION

	AP-NORC 12/5-9/2024
Less than a high school diploma	9
High school graduate or equivalent	29
Some college	26
College graduate or above	20
Post grad study/professional degree	16

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CENSUS REGION

	AP-NORC
	12/5-9/2024
Northeast NET	17
New England	5
Mid-Atlantic	13
Midwest NET	20
East North Central	14
West North Central	6
South NET	39
South Atlantic	21
East South Central	6
West South Central	12
West NET	24
Mountain	8
Pacific	16

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HOME OWNERSHIP

	AP-NORC 12/5-9/2024
Owned or being bought by you or someone in your household	69
Rented for cash	29
Occupied without payment of cash rent	3
	1.251

INCOME

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	AP-NORC
	12/5-9/2024
Under \$10,000	4
\$10,000 to under \$20,000	7
\$20,000 to under \$30,000	11
\$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	14
\$100,000 to under \$150,000	15
\$150,000 or more	13

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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 bi-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 December 5 through December 9, 2024, with adults aged 18 and over representing the 50 states and the District of Columbia. Panel members were randomly drawn from AmeriSpeak, and 1,251 completed the survey—1,208 via the web and 43 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 14.6 percent, the weighted household panel response rate is 27.4 percent, and the weighted household panel retention rate is 77.2 percent, for a cumulative response rate of 3.1 percent.

The overall margin of sampling error is +/- 3.7 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 +/- 5.7 percentage points for Democrats and +/- 5.9 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, 76 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.

The sample is also weighted to match the average of self-identified party identification in the previous two waves of the AmeriSpeak Omnibus survey and this current survey.

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. For more information, email info@apnorc.org.

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