



The May 2025 AP-NORC Center Poll

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*Interviews: 05/01-05/2025
1,175 adults*

*Margin of sampling error: +/- 4.0 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?

CUR3. If don't know, skipped, or refused in CUR2

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

CUR3A. If approve in CUR2

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

CUR3B. If disapprove in CUR2

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]

	Approve NET	Strongly approve	Somewhat approve	Lean toward approving	Do not lean either way	Dis-approve NET	Lean toward disapproving	Some-what dis-approve	Strongly dis-approve	DK	SKP /REF
AP-NORC All adults											
05/01-05/2025 (N=1,175)	41	24	17	*	1	57	1	13	43	*	1
04/17-21/2025 (N=1,260)	39	22	16	*	1	59	1	16	43	-	1
03/20-24/2025 (N=1,229)	42	22	20	*	1	56	1	15	40	-	1
12/3-7/2020 (N=1,117)	40	24	16	-	*	58	*	12	46	-	1
10/08-12/2020 (N=1,121)	39	22	17	*	*	61	*	15	46	*	*
09/11-14/2020 (N = 1,108)	43	25	17	*	1	56	*	11	44	-	*
08/17-19/2020 (N=1,075)	35	18	16	*	*	65	1	19	46	*	*
07/16-20/2020 (N=1,057)	38	24	14	*	1	61	*	11	50	-	*
06/11-15/2020 (N=1,310)	39	21	17	*	1	60	*	10	49	-	1

AP-NORC All adults	Approve NET	Strongly approve	Some- what approve	Lean toward approv- ing	Do not lean either way	Dis- approve NET	Lean toward disapp- roving	Some- what dis- approve	Strongly dis- approve	D K	SKP/ REF
05/14-18/2020 (N=1,056)	41	22	19	*	*	58	*	14	44	-	1
04/16-20/2020 (N=1,057)	42	22	20	-	-	57	*	16	41	-	1
03/26-29/2020 (N=1,057)	43	26	17	-	*	56	*	16	39	-	*
02/13-16/2020 (N=1,074)	43	24	19	*	1	56	*	16	40	-	1
01/16-21/2020 (N=1,353)	41	24	17	1	*	58	*	14	44	-	*
12/5-9/2019 (N=1,053)	40	23	17	*	-	60	*	15	45	-	*
10/24-28/2019 (N=1,075)	42	25	17	*	1	56	*	14	42	-	1
09/20-23/2019 (N=1,286)	40	24	16	*	1	59	*	16	42	-	1
8/15-18/2019 (N=1,060)	36	21	15	*	*	62	-	16	46	*	2
6/13-17/2019 (N=1,116)	38	19	19	*	*	60	*	17	43	-	1
5/17-20/2019 (N=1,137)	38	19	18	*	1	61	1	13	47	*	1
4/11-14/2019 (N=1,108)	39	19	20	*	1	60	*	13	46	-	*
3/14-18/2019 (N=1,063)	40	22	18	*	*	58	1	15	42	-	1
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	-	1
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	*	*

AP-NORC All adults	Approve NET	Strongly approve	Some- what approve	Lean toward approv- ing	Do not lean either way	Dis- approve NET	Lean toward disapp- roving	Some- what dis- approve	Strongly dis- approve	D K	SKP/ REF
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
3/23-27/2017 (N=1,110)	42	20	22	*	*	58	*	14	43	-	1

CURY2. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling...?

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

AP-NORC		Approve	Disapprove	DK	SKP/REF
The economy	05/01-05/2025 (N=1,175)	36	63	*	1
	04/17-21/2025 (N=1,260)	37	61	*	1
	03/20-24/2025 (N=1,229)	40	58	1	1
	10/08-12/2020 (N=1,121)	49	51	*	*
	09/11-14/2020 (N = 1,108)	50	49	*	1
	08/17-19/2020 (N=1,075)	47	52	*	1
	07/16-20/2020 (N=1,057)	48	51	*	*
	06/11-15/2020 (N=1,310)	49	50	*	1
	05/14-18/2020 (N=1,056)	49	50	*	1
	04/16-20/2020 (N=1,057)	52	47	*	1
	03/26-29/2020 (N=1,057)	56	43	*	1
	01/16-21/2020 (N=1,353)	56	43	1	1
	10/24-28/2019 (N=1,075)	54	44	*	*
	09/20-23/2019 (N=1,286)	51	47	1	1
	08/15-18/2019 (N=1,060)	46	51	1	2
	06/13-17/2019 (N=1,116)	47	51	1	1
	01/16-20/2019 (N=1,062)	44	55	-	1
	10/11-14/2018 (N=1,152)	50	48	*	1
	08/16-20/2018 (N=1,055)	51	49	*	-
	03/14-19/2018 (N=1,122)	46	51	*	*
	02/15-19/2018 (N=1,337)	45	53	-	*
	12/07-11/2017 (N=1,020)	40	59	*	-
	10/12-16/2017 (N=1,054)	41	57	*	*
09/28-10/2/2017 (N=1,150)	42	56	*	*	
06/08-11/2017 (N=1,068)	43	55	*	*	
03/23-27/2017 (N=1,110)	50	47	-	*	

AP-NORC		Approve	Disapprove	DK	SKP/REF
Immigration	05/01-05/2025 (N=1,175)	49	51	*	1
	04/17-21/2025 (N=1,260)	46	53	*	1
	03/20-24/2025 (N=1,229)	49	50	*	1
	09/20-23/2019 (N=1,286)	40	59	1	1
	8/15-18/2019 (N=1,058)	38	60	1	1
	6/13-17/2019 (N=1,116)	39	59	*	2
	1/16-20/2019 (N=1,062)	36	62	*	1
	10/11-14/2018 (N=1,152)	41	58	*	1
	8/16-20/2018 (N=1,055)	38	61	-	-
	2/15-19/2018 (N=1,337)	37	62	*	*
	9/28-10/2/2017 (N=1,150)	35	64	*	*
	6/8-11/2017 (N=1,068)	39	60	*	*
	3/23-27/2017 (N=1,110)	45	54	-	*
Transgender issues	05/01-05/2025 (N=1,175)	52	46	*	1
Issues related to colleges and universities	05/01-05/2025 (N=1,175)	42	56	*	1

COLLEGE1. How concerned are you about each of the following at colleges and universities?

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

AP-NORC 05/01- 05/2025	Extremely/ Very concerned NET	Extremely concerned	Very concerned	Somewhat concerned	Not very/ Not at all concerned NET	Not very concerned	Not concerned at all	DK	SKP/ REF
The cost of tuition	58	27	31	26	15	10	5	*	1
Antisemitism on campuses	38	17	21	33	26	16	10	*	2
Liberal bias on campuses	36	18	17	30	32	18	14	*	2
International students' visas being canceled	35	16	19	28	36	19	17	*	1

N=1,175

COLLEGE2. Do you think colleges and universities make more of a positive, negative, or neither positive nor negative contribution to each of the following?

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

AP-NORC 05/01- 05/2025	Very/ Somewhat positive NET	Very positive	Somewhat positive	Neither positive nor negative	Very/ Somewhat negative NET	Somewhat negative	Very negative	DK	SKP/ REF
Medical and scientific research	64	30	34	26	9	6	3	*	2
Defense and military research	40	13	27	42	16	9	6	1	2
The quality of the U.S. workforce	48	18	30	34	17	12	4	*	2
New ideas and innovative technology	63	27	35	27	9	7	3	*	1

N=1,175

COLLEGE3. Do you favor, neither favor nor oppose, or oppose each of the following for colleges and universities?

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

AP-NORC 05/01-05/2025	Strongly /some- what favor NET	Strongly favor	Some- what favor	Neither favor nor oppose	Strongly/ some - what oppose NET	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	DK	SKIP/ REF
Maintaining federal funding for scientific and medical research	62	33	29	25	11	8	3	-	2
Withholding federal funding unless they comply with requirements related to the president's goals	27	9	17	26	45	12	33	*	2
Removing their tax- exempt status	30	12	18	32	36	15	21	*	2

N=1,175

COLLEGE4. To what extent can the following groups freely speak their minds on college and university campuses in the United States today?

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

AP-NORC 05/01-05/2025	A lot	Some	Only a little	Not at all	DON'T KNOW	SKIPPED/ REFUSED
Liberals	40	32	17	7	*	3
Conservatives	24	36	24	12	*	3
Professors	30	39	20	8	*	3
Students	30	41	19	7	*	3

N=1,175

COLLEGE5. Do you favor, neither favor nor oppose, or oppose each of the following for colleges and universities?

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

AP-NORC 05/01-05/2025	Strongly/ some- what favor NET	Strongly favor	Some- what favor	Neither favor nor oppose	Strongly / some - what oppose NET	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	D K	SKIP /REF
Diversity, equity, and inclusion programs, sometimes called DEI	40	24	16	29	29	9	20	*	2
Support services for students from underrepresented groups such as clubs and mentorship opportunities	48	24	24	35	15	11	5	*	1
Courses that teach about racism	44	25	19	32	23	9	14	*	1
Scholarships for students from underrepresented groups	45	23	22	34	19	13	6	*	1

N=1,175

TRANS1. Which statement comes closer to your own views, even if neither is exactly right? Would you say:

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

	AP-NORC 05/01-05/2025
Whether someone is a man or a woman is determined by their biological characteristics at birth	68
Someone can be a man or a woman even if that identity is different from their biological characteristics at birth	31
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIPPED/REFUSED	1
<i>N</i> =	1,175

TRANS3. Do you favor, neither favor nor oppose, or oppose public health insurance programs, like Medicare or Medicaid covering gender-affirming medical treatment, such as puberty blockers and hormone therapy, for the following?

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

AP-NORC 05/01-05/2025	Strongly/ some- what favor NET	Strongly favor	Some- what favor	Neither favor nor oppose	Strongly/ some - what oppose NET	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	DK	SKIP/ REF
People age 19 and older who are transgender or nonbinary	23	12	11	23	53	11	42	-	1
People under the age of 19 who are transgender or nonbinary	16	8	7	18	66	13	53	*	1

N=1,175

TRANS4. Do you favor, neither favor nor oppose, or oppose each of the following?

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

	Strongly /some-what favor NET	Strongly favor	Some-what favor	Neither favor nor oppose	Strongly/ some - what oppose NET	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	DK	SKIP/ REF
AP-NORC 05/01-05/2025									
Allowing transgender men and women to serve in the military	37	23	14	36	26	7	19	*	1
Requiring public school teachers to report to parents if their children are identifying as transgender or nonbinary at school	43	27	16	28	28	10	18	-	1
Banning gender-affirming medical treatment, such as puberty blockers and hormone therapy, for people under the age of 19	46	34	12	21	32	9	23	*	1
Allowing transgender students to use the bathrooms that match their gender identity in public schools	22	12	10	23	55	12	42	-	1

N=1,175

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 05/01-05/2025
Democrat NET	40
Strong Democrat	14
Not so strong Democrat	15
Lean Democrat	11
Independent/None – Don't lean	22
Republican NET	38
Lean Republican	8
Not so strong Republican	13
Strong Republican	17
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,175</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, D5:

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

	AP-NORC 05/01-05/2025
Liberal NET	19
Very liberal	11
Somewhat liberal	8
Moderate	47
Conservative NET	31
Somewhat conservative	18
Very conservative	13
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	4
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,175</i>

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

	AP-NORC 05/01-05/2025
Urban area	25
Suburban area	46
Rural area	28
DON'T KNOW	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1

N= 1,175

RELIG. What is your present religion, if any?

	AP-NORC 05/01-05/2025
Protestant	27
Roman Catholic	18
Mormon	2
Orthodox	*
Jewish	1
Muslim	1
Buddhist	1
Hindu	1
Atheist	5
Agnostic	5
Nothing in particular	16
Just Christian	22
Unitarian	*
Something else	1
DON'T KNOW	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*

N= 1,175

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 05/01-05/2025
Yes	37
No	63
DON'T KNOW	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	-

N= 820

AGE

	AP-NORC 05/01-05/2025
18-29	20
30-44	27
45-59	22
60+	31

N= 1,175

GENDER

	AP-NORC 05/01-05/2025
Male	49
Female	51

N= 1,175

RACE/ETHNICITY

	AP-NORC 05/01-05/2025
White, non-Hispanic	60
Black or African American	12
Hispanic	18
Other	9

N= 1,175

MARITAL STATUS

	AP-NORC 05/01-05/2025
Married	50
Not married	50

N= 1,175

EMPLOYMENT STATUS

	AP-NORC 05/01-05/2025
Employed	61
Not employed	39

N= 1,175

EDUCATION

	AP-NORC 05/01-05/2025
Less than a high school diploma	9
High school graduate or equivalent	28
Some college	26
Bachelor's degree	23
Post graduate study or professional degree	14
<i>N=</i>	1,175

CENSUS REGION

	AP-NORC 05/01-05/2025
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
<i>N=</i>	1,175

HOME OWNERSHIP

	AP-NORC 05/01-05/2025
Owned or being bought by you or someone in your household	62
Rented for cash	34
Occupied without payment of cash rent	5
<i>N=</i>	1,175

VOTE 2024

	AP-NORC 05/01-05/2025
Voted for Kamala Harris	29
Voted for Donald Trump	30
Voted for someone else	1
Didn't vote	41

N= 1,175

INCOME

	AP-NORC 05/01-05/2025
Under \$10,000	6
\$10,000 to under \$20,000	8
\$20,000 to under \$30,000	13
\$30,000 to under \$40,000	10
\$40,000 to under \$50,000	7
\$50,000 to under \$75,000	17
\$75,000 to under \$100,000	11
\$100,000 to under \$150,000	14
\$150,000 or more	13

N= 1,175

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 May 1 through May 5, 2025, with adults aged 18 and over representing the 50 states and the District of Columbia. Panel members were randomly drawn from AmeriSpeak, and 1,175 completed the survey—1,101 via the web and 74 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 13.7 percent, the weighted household panel response rate is 26.1 percent, and the weighted household panel retention rate is 77.8 percent, for a cumulative response rate of 2.8 percent.

The overall margin of sampling error is +/- 4.0 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 6.1 percentage points for Democrats and 6.3 percentage points for Republicans and 9.8 percentage points for independents. 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, education, and 2024 presidential vote. Weighting variables were obtained from the 2024 Current Population Survey and the final results for 2024 presidential vote turnout and vote choice. 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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