



The September 2025 AP-NORC Center Poll

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*Interviews: 09/11-15/2025
1,183 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.

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 conflict between the Israelis and Palestinians	09/11-15/2025 (N=1,183)	37	60	*	2
	03/20-24/2025 (N=1,229)	44	54	1	1

ROLE1. Do you think the United States should take a more or less active role solving the world’s problems or is its current role about right?

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

	AP-NORC 9/11-15/2025	AP-NORC 03/20-24/2025	Pearson Institute/ AP-NORC 9/12-16/2024	AP-NORC 02/22-26/2024	AP-NORC 11/2-6/2023	Pearson Institute/ AP-NORC 9/21-25/2023	Pearson Institute / AP- NORC 9/9-12/2022	AP- NORC 8/12-16/2021	AP- NORC 1/16-20/2019	AP-NORC 6/25-7/7/2015
A more active role	27	23	23	23	18	24	21	27	30	27
Its current role is about right	38	39	43	36	36	42	43	39	37	33
A less active role	33	37	33	40	45	33	34	32	31	38
DON'T KNOW	1	1	*	*	1	*	*	*	1	1
SKIPPED/REFUSED	1	1	1	1	*	*	2	1	1	1

N= 1,183 1,229 1,111 1,102 1,239 1,191 1,003 1,729 1,062 1,167

ISRAEL2. Would you say the military response from Israel in the Gaza Strip has gone too far, been about right, or not gone far enough?

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

	AP-NORC 9/11-15/2025	Pearson Institute/AP-NORC 9/12-16/2024	AP-NORC 6/20-24/2024	AP-NORC 1/25-29/2024	AP-NORC 11/2-6/2023
Gone too far	49	42	46	50	40
Been about right	33	34	33	31	38
Not gone far enough	12	18	19	15	18
DON'T KNOW	1	1	*	1	1
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	4	5	2	3	3
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,183</i>	<i>1,111</i>	<i>1,088</i>	<i>1,152</i>	<i>1,239</i>

FP3. Thinking about the foreign policy goals of the United States, please tell me how important it is for the United States to do each the following:

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

AP-NORC		Extremely/ very important NET	Extremely important	Very import- ant	Some- what import- -ant	Not too important/ not important at all NET	Not too import- ant	Not import- ant at all	D K	SKP / REF
Provide aid to Israel's military to fight Hamas	09/11-15/2025 (<i>N=1,183</i>)	22	8	14	35	41	21	19	*	2
	3/20-24/2025 (<i>N=1,229</i>)	27	11	16	35	35	19	16	*	3
	Pearson Institute/AP- NORC 9/12-16/2024 (<i>N=1,111</i>)	27	12	15	34	33	18	15	1	5
	02/22-26/2024 (<i>N=1,102</i>)	25	11	15	35	38	20	17	*	1
	01/25-29/2024 (<i>N=1,152</i>)	29	10	19	37	29	16	14	1	4
	11/30- 12/4/2023 (<i>N=1,074</i>)	34	15	19	36	28	15	12	*	3
	11/2-6/2023 (<i>N=1,239</i>)	36	15	21	35	27	14	12	*	2

		Extremely/ very important NET	Extremely important	Very important	Somew hat important	Not too important/ not important at all NET	Not too important	Not important at all	D K	SKP / REF
AP-NORC										
Negotiate a permanent cease fire between Israel and Hamas	09/11-15/2025 (N=1,183)	51	22	28	31	15	9	7	*	2
	3/20-24/2025 (N=1,229)	59	29	30	26	12	7	6	*	3
	Pearson Institute/AP-NORC 9/12-16/2024 (N=1,111)	52	31	21	26	16	9	7	1	5
	02/22-26/2024 (N=1,102)	48	21	26	29	21	11	10	*	1
	01/25-29/2024 (N=1,152)	53	27	26	28	15	8	7	1	4
	11/30-12/4/2023 (N=1,074)	48	25	23	27	22	12	10	*	2
Provide humanitarian relief to Palestinians in Gaza	09/11-15/2025 (N=1,183)	45	23	21	35	18	12	6	*	2
	3/20-24/2025 (N=1,229)	41	16	25	35	21	12	8	*	2
	Pearson Institute/AP-NORC 9/12-16/2024 (N=1,111)	42	22	20	34	19	10	9	1	5
	AP-NORC 02/22-26/2024 (N=1,102)	38	18	19	37	23	13	11	1	1
	AP-NORC 01/25-29/2024 (N=1,152)	45	22	22	33	17	9	8	1	4
	AP-NORC 11/30-12/4/2023 (N=1,074)	46	19	27	33	19	10	9	*	2
Negotiate the establishment of an independent Palestinian state	09/11-15/2025 (N=1,183)	30	12	18	38	29	15	14	1	2
	AP-NORC 01/25-29/2024 (N=1,152)	30	14	16	36	28	15	14	1	5

FP6. Thinking about the foreign policy goals of the United States, please tell me how important it is for the United States to do each the following:

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AP-NORC		Extremely /very important NET	Extremely important	Very important	Some what import ant	Not too important/ not important at all NET	Not too importan t	Not import ant at all	DK	SKP / REF
Provide aid to Ukraine's military to fight Russia	09/11-15/2025 (N=1,183)	38	20	18	34	26	16	9	*	2
	3/20-24/2025 (N=1,229)	35	17	17	33	29	18	11	*	3
	02/22-26/2024 (N=1,102)	41	20	21	33	24	13	11	*	2
Stop Russia from gaining more territory in Ukraine	09/11-15/2025 (N=1,183)	52	27	25	28	17	11	6	*	2
	3/20-24/2025 (N=1,229)	52	28	24	29	17	10	7	*	2
	02/22-26/2024 (N=1,102)	50	27	23	26	22	12	9	*	2
Help Ukraine regain territory that is currently occupied by Russia	09/11-15/2025 (N=1,183)	35	18	17	36	26	16	10	*	2
	3/20-24/2025 (N=1,229)	36	17	19	32	28	18	10	1	3
	02/22-26/2024 (N=1,102)	39	16	23	33	26	14	12	*	2
Negotiate a permanent ceasefire between Russia and Ukraine	09/11-15/2025 (N=1,183)	56	28	29	29	13	8	5	*	2
	3/20-24/2025 (N=1,229)	61	29	31	25	11	7	4	*	2
	02/22-26/2024 (N=1,102)	49	20	28	30	19	10	9	*	3

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 09/11-15/2025
Democrat NET	28
Strong Democrat	46
Not so strong Democrat	53
Lean Democrat	21
Independent/None – Don't lean	24
Republican NET	28
Lean Republican	21
Not so strong Republican	49
Strong Republican	51
N=	1,183

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 09/11-15/2025
Liberal NET	17
Very liberal	10
Somewhat liberal	8
Moderate	54
Conservative NET	27
Somewhat conservative	15
Very conservative	12
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1
N=	1,183

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

	AP-NORC 09/11-15/2025
Urban area	25
Suburban area	53
Rural area	21
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1

N=

1,183

RELIG. What is your present religion, if any?

	AP-NORC 09/11-15/2025
Protestant	23
Roman Catholic	18
Mormon	1
Orthodox	*
Jewish	2
Muslim	1
Buddhist	1
Hindu	1
Atheist	5
Agnostic	6
Nothing in particular	18
Just Christian	21
Unitarian	1
Something else	1
DON'T KNOW	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	-

N=

1,183

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 09/11-15/2025
Yes	34
No	66
DON'T KNOW	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	-

N= 1,183

AGE

	AP-NORC 09/11-15/2025
18-29	20
30-44	27
45-59	22
60+	31

N= 1,183

GENDER

	AP-NORC 09/11-15/2025
Male	49
Female	51

N= 1,183

RACE/ETHNICITY

	AP-NORC 09/11-15/2025
White, non-Hispanic	60
Black or African American	12
Hispanic	18
Other	10

N= 1,183

MARITAL STATUS

	AP-NORC 09/11-15/2025
Married	44
Not married	56

N= 1,183

EMPLOYMENT STATUS

	AP-NORC 09/11-15/2025
Employed	60
Not employed	40

N= 1,183

EDUCATION

	AP-NORC 09/11-15/2025
Less than a high school diploma	9
High school graduate or equivalent	29
Some college	26
Bachelor's degree	23
Post graduate study or professional degree	14

N= 1,183

CENSUS REGION

	AP-NORC 09/11-15/2025
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

N= 1,183

HOME OWNERSHIP

	AP-NORC 09/11-15/2025
Owned or being bought by you or someone in your household	62
Rented for cash	35
Occupied without payment of cash rent	4
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,183</i>

VOTE 2024

	AP-NORC 09/11-15/2025
Voted for Kamala Harris	48
Voted for Donald Trump	50
Voted for someone else	2
Didn't vote	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,183</i>

INCOME

	AP-NORC 09/11-15/2025
Under \$10,000	7
\$10,000 to under \$20,000	8
\$20,000 to under \$30,000	8
\$30,000 to under \$40,000	10
\$40,000 to under \$50,000	8
\$50,000 to under \$75,000	15
\$75,000 to under \$100,000	13
\$100,000 to under \$150,000	16
\$150,000 or more	14
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,183</i>

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 September 11 through September 15, 2025, with adults aged 18 and over representing the 50 states and the District of Columbia. Panel members were randomly drawn from AmeriSpeak, and 1,183 completed the survey—1,095 via the web and 88 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 14.1 percent, the weighted household panel response rate is 26.3 percent, and the weighted household panel retention rate is 78.0 percent, for a cumulative response rate of 2.9 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 6.0 percentage points for Republicans and 9.2 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, 81 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 2025 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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