

**2025 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL
WAVE 167 APRIL 2025
FINAL TOPLINE
APRIL 7-13, 2025
TOTAL N=3,589**

Note: All numbers are percentages unless otherwise noted. Percentages greater than zero but less than 0.5% are replaced by an asterisk (*). A hyphen (-) indicates that the sample size for a given subgroup is too small to report for that question. Rows/columns may not total 100% due to rounding. The questions presented below are part of a larger survey conducted on the American Trends Panel. The other questions on this survey are held for future release or have been previously released.

"No answer" includes web respondents who do not answer the question as well as telephone respondents who refuse to answer or who say they don't know how to answer. In cases where "not sure" was offered as an explicit option to web and telephone respondents, the "no answer" category includes only web skips and telephone refusals.

This survey was conducted primarily online, with some interviews conducted by live telephone. This topline shows the programming language for online administration. For details on how questions were slightly modified for phone administration, visit the questionnaire.

American Trends Panel surveys conducted between October 2016 and June 2024 were conducted fully online (with tablets and data plans provided to adults without home internet). American Trends Panel surveys conducted prior to October 2016 were conducted primarily online, with some respondents completing by mail. For additional details, visit the methodology.

PN = Programming note

| | Sample size | Margin of error at 95% confidence level |
|-------------|--------------------|--|
| U.S. adults | 3,589 | +/- 1.8 percentage points |

**PERSFNC
ASK ALL:**

Thinking about your personal finances...

How would you rate your own personal financial situation? Would you say you are in...

| | <u>Excellent shape</u> | <u>Good shape</u> | <u>Only fair shape</u> | <u>Poor shape</u> | <u>No answer</u> |
|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Apr 7-13, 2025 | 7 | 36 | 40 | 17 | 1 |
| May 13-19, 2024 | 7 | 34 | 39 | 19 | 1 |
| Oct 10-16, 2022 | 7 | 35 | 42 | 15 | 1 |
| Jun 27-Jul 4, 2022 | 6 | 36 | 41 | 17 | * |
| Sep 13-19, 2021 | 9 | 41 | 36 | 13 | 1 |
| Jan 19-24, 2021 | 12 | 41 | 32 | 14 | * |
| Apr 7-12, 2020 | 7 | 40 | 37 | 16 | * |
| Jul 22-Aug 4, 2019 | 10 | 40 | 34 | 15 | 1 |

PERSFNCB
ASK ALL:

A year from now, do you expect that the financial situation of you and your family will be...

| | <u>Better</u> | <u>Worse</u> | <u>About the same as now</u> | <u>No answer</u> |
|--------------------|---------------|--------------|----------------------------------|----------------------|
| Apr 7-13, 2025 | 37 | 28 | 35 | * |
| May 13-19, 2024 | 34 | 16 | 49 | 1 |
| Oct 10-16, 2022 | 35 | 19 | 45 | 1 |
| Jun 27-Jul 4, 2022 | 30 | 24 | 45 | 1 |
| Sep 13-19, 2021 | 36 | 14 | 49 | * |
| Apr 7-12, 2020 | 42 | 12 | 46 | * |
| Jul 22-Aug 4, 2019 | 43 | 8 | 48 | 1 |

PF_HAPPEN
ASK ALL:
[PN: RANDOMIZE ITEMS]

In the past year, have any of the following happened to you?

| | | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | <u>No answer</u> |
|------|---|------------|-----------|------------------|
| HOU | Had problems paying your rent or mortgage | | | |
| | Apr 7-13, 2025 | 21 | 78 | 1 |
| | Jul 1-7, 2024 | 24 | 75 | 1 |
| | Mar 27-Apr 2, 2023 | 24 | 76 | 1 |
| | Sep 15-Oct 3, 2014 | 21 | 78 | 1 |
| | <i>Phone trend for comparison</i> | | | |
| | Aug 20-24, 2014 | 20 | 80 | * |
| | Mar 13-17, 2013 | 23 | 76 | 1 |
| | Jul 16-26, 2012 | 23 | 76 | * |
| | Jun 15-19, 2011 | 26 | 73 | 1 |
| LOSE | Mar 10-14, 2010 | 24 | 76 | * |
| | Feb 4-8, 2009 | 20 | 80 | * |
| | Jan 24-Feb 19, 2008 | 16 | 83 | 1 |
| | <i>Trend for comparison</i> | | | |
| | <i>Washington Post/Kaiser/Harvard:</i> | | | |
| | <i>August, 1999</i> | 13 | 87 | * |
| | Been laid off or lost your job | | | |
| | Apr 7-13, 2025 | 10 | 89 | 1 |
| | Jul 1-7, 2024 | 10 | 88 | 2 |
| | Mar 27-Apr 2, 2023 | 13 | 86 | 1 |
| | Sep 15-Oct 3, 2014 | 11 | 86 | 3 |
| | <i>Phone trend for comparison</i> | | | |
| | Feb 2-May 8, 2016 | 12 | 87 | 1 |
| | Aug 20-24, 2014 | 14 | 85 | 1 |
| | Mar 13-17, 2013 | 15 | 84 | 1 |
| | Jul 16-26, 2012 | 15 | 85 | * |
| | Jun 15-19, 2011 | 16 | 84 | * |
| | Mar 10-14, 2010 | 21 | 79 | * |
| | Feb 4-8, 2009 | 18 | 82 | * |
| | Jan 24-Feb 19, 2008 | 14 | 85 | 1 |

PF_HAPPEN CONTINUED...

| | | | | |
|-------|--|----|----|---|
| RAISE | Gotten a pay raise at your current job or gotten a better job | | | |
| | Apr 7-13, 2025 | 36 | 63 | 2 |
| | Jul 1-7, 2024 | 32 | 66 | 2 |
| | Mar 27-Apr 2, 2023 | 39 | 59 | 2 |
| | Sep 15-Oct 3, 2014 | 29 | 68 | 3 |
| | <i>Phone trend for comparison</i> | | | |
| | Aug 20-24, 2014 | 36 | 62 | 2 |
| | Mar 13-17, 2013 | 28 | 70 | 2 |
| | Jun 15-19, 2011 | 25 | 74 | 1 |
| | Mar 10-14, 2010 | 24 | 74 | 1 |
| | Feb 4-8, 2009 | 29 | 70 | 1 |
| | Jan 24-Feb 19, 2008 | 41 | 57 | 2 |
| | <i>Trend for comparison</i> | | | |
| | Washington Post/Kaiser/Harvard: August, 1999 | 29 | 69 | 2 |
| SAVE | Been able to save money for the future | | | |
| | Apr 7-13, 2025 | 47 | 52 | 1 |
| | Jul 1-7, 2024 | 42 | 57 | 1 |
| | Mar 27-Apr 2, 2023 | 48 | 51 | 1 |
| | <i>Phone trend for comparison</i> | | | |
| | Aug 20-24, 2014 | 44 | 55 | 1 |
| | Mar 13-17, 2013 | 41 | 58 | 1 |
| | <i>Trend for comparison</i> | | | |
| | Washington Post/Kaiser/Harvard: August, 1999 | 58 | 42 | * |
| MED | Had trouble getting or paying for medical care for yourself or your family | | | |
| | Apr 7-13, 2025 | 27 | 72 | 1 |
| | Jul 1-7, 2024 | 28 | 72 | 1 |
| | Mar 27-Apr 2, 2023 | 26 | 73 | 1 |
| | Sep 15-Oct 3, 2014 | 29 | 71 | 1 |
| | <i>Phone trend for comparison</i> | | | |
| | Had trouble getting or paying for medical care | | | |
| | Aug 20-24, 2014 | 24 | 75 | 1 |
| | Mar 13-17, 2013 | 28 | 71 | * |
| | <i>Trend for comparison</i> | | | |
| | Had trouble getting or paying for medical care for yourself or your family | | | |
| | Jul 16-26, 2012 | 25 | 74 | * |
| | Jun 15-19, 2011 | 29 | 70 | 1 |
| | Mar 10-14, 2010 | 26 | 74 | * |
| | Feb 4-8, 2009 | 23 | 77 | * |
| | Jan 24-Feb 19, 2008 | 23 | 76 | 1 |
| | Washington Post/Kaiser/Harvard: August, 1999 | 21 | 78 | * |
| FOOD | Gotten food from a food bank or food pantry | | | |
| | Apr 7-13, 2025 | 19 | 81 | * |
| | Jul 1-7, 2024 | 17 | 82 | 1 |
| | Mar 27-Apr 2, 2023 | 18 | 82 | 1 |
| | Sep 15-Oct 3, 2014 | 14 | 84 | 1 |

PF_HAPPEN CONTINUED...

| | | | | |
|-------|---|----|----|---|
| | <i>Phone trend for comparison</i> | | | |
| | Feb 29-May 8, 2016 | 11 | 89 | * |
| CHILD | Had trouble paying for childcare | | | |
| | Apr 7-13, 2025 | 8 | 91 | 1 |
| | Jul 1-7, 2024 | 9 | 89 | 2 |
| AUTO | Had problems paying for your daily transportation costs | | | |
| | Apr 7-13, 2025 | 20 | 80 | * |
| BRRW | Borrowed money from friends and family | | | |
| | Apr 7-13, 2025 | 26 | 74 | * |
| | Sep 15-Oct 3, 2014 | 33 | 65 | 2 |
| | <i>Phone trend for comparison</i> | | | |
| | Borrowed money from family or friends | | | |
| | Feb 29-May 8, 2016 | 21 | 78 | * |
| VACA | Gone on a vacation | | | |
| | Apr 7-13, 2025 | 46 | 54 | * |
| | <i>Trend for comparison</i> | | | |
| | Taken a vacation | | | |
| | Sep 15-Oct 3, 2014 | 43 | 56 | 1 |
| PYDY | Taken out a payday or other short-term loan | | | |
| | Apr 7-13, 2025 | 14 | 86 | * |
| | Sep 15-Oct 3, 2014 | 8 | 90 | 2 |

BILLSTYPICAL

ASK ALL:

Which best describes your ability to pay all of your bills in full in a typical month?

| | | | |
|----------------|---|---|---------------------|
| | I can typically pay all of <u>my bills in full</u> | I cannot pay some bills or can only make a partial <u>payment on some of them</u> | No <u>answer</u> |
| Apr 7-13, 2025 | 74 | 25 | 1 |
| Apr 7-12, 2020 | 75 | 24 | * |

BILLSNOW

ASK ALL:

Which best describes your ability to pay all of your bills in full this month?

| | | | |
|----------------|---|--|---------------------|
| | I will be able to pay all <u>of my bills in full</u> | I cannot pay some bills or will only make a partial <u>payment on some of them</u> | No <u>answer</u> |
| Apr 7-13, 2025 | 73 | 26 | 1 |
| Apr 7-12, 2020 | 68 | 32 | 1 |

EMERGFUND**ASK ALL:**

Do you have emergency or rainy day funds that would cover your expenses for 3 months in case of sickness, job loss, economic downturn, or other emergencies?

| | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | <u>No answer</u> |
|----------------|------------|-----------|------------------|
| Apr 7-13, 2025 | 48 | 51 | 1 |
| Oct 4-17, 2021 | 54 | 45 | 1 |
| Apr 7-12, 2020 | 47 | 53 | 1 |

PARTY In politics today, do you consider yourself a:

ASK IF INDEP/SOMETHING ELSE (PARTY=3 or 4) OR MISSING [n=1,473]:

PARTYLN As of today do you lean more to...¹

| <u>Republican</u> | <u>Democrat</u> | <u>Independent</u> | <u>Something else</u> | <u>No answer</u> | <u>Lean Rep</u> | <u>Lean Dem</u> |
|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 28 | 29 | 29 | 13 | 1 | 20 | 19 |

¹ Party and PartyIn asked in a prior survey.