2025 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL WAVE 176 POLITICS SURVEY AUGUST 2025 FINAL TOPLINE AUGUST 4-10, 2025 N=3,554

Note: 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.

* "No answer" includes web respondents who do not answer the question as well as telephone respondents who refuse to answer or who say that 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.

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=1,770]:

UNDROPPL

As you may know, over the past several decades there has been a large reduction in the percentage of workers who are represented by unions.

Do you think this has been... [RANDOMLY DISPLAY RESPONSES 1-4 OR 4-1]

| | Very good | Somewhat good | Somewhat bad | Very bad | |
|--------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|
| | for working | for working | for working | for working | No |
| | <u>people</u> | <u>people</u> | <u>people</u> | <u>people</u> | <u>answer</u> * |
| Aug 4-10, 2025 | 10 | 26 | 39 | 24 | 1 |
| Jan 16-21, 2024 | 13 | 25 | 38 | 22 | 2 |
| Mar 27-Apr 2, 2023 | 11 | 26 | 39 | 22 | 3 |
| Jan 10-17, 2022 | 10 | 26 | 38 | 23 | 2 |
| Apr 5-11, 2021 | 12 | 25 | 38 | 21 | 3 |

UNDROPPL PHONE TREND FOR COMPARISON

As you may know, over the past 20 years there has been a large reduction in the percentage of workers who are represented by unions. Do you think this reduction in union representation has been mostly good for working people or mostly bad for working people?

| | | | <i>NBC/WSJ</i> |
|--------------------------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|
| | Apr 25-May 1, | Mar 25-29, | July |
| | 2018 | <u> 2015</u> | 1994 |
| Mostly good for working people | 35 | 40 | 38 |
| Mostly bad for working people | 51 | 52 | 47 |
| Mixed (VOL.) | 3 | 8 | |
| Don't know/Refused (VOL.) | 10 | 6 | 8 |

ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=1,784]:

UNIONDROP As you n

As you may know, over the past several decades there has been a large reduction in the percentage of workers who are represented by unions.

Do you think this has been... [RANDOMLY DISPLAY RESPONSES 1-4 OR 4-1]

| | Very good for | Somewhat good for | Somewhat bad for | Very bad for | No |
|--------------------|---------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| | the country | the country | the country | the country | <u>answer</u> * |
| Aug 4-10, 2025 | 11 | 27 | 39 | 20 | 2 |
| Jan 16-21, 2024 | 10 | 32 | 37 | 18 | 3 |
| Mar 27-Apr 2, 2023 | 10 | 28 | 38 | 20 | 4 |
| Jan 10-17, 2022 | 10 | 29 | 39 | 19 | 3 |
| Apr 5-11, 2021 | 11 | 29 | 39 | 18 | 4 |
| Sep 3-15, 2019 | 12 | 29 | 38 | 18 | 2 |

UNIONDROP PHONE TREND FOR COMPARISON:

As you may know, over the past 20 years there has been a large reduction in the percentage of workers who are represented by unions. Do you think this reduction in union representation has been mostly good for the country or mostly bad for the country?

| | Mar 25-29, |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| | <u>2015</u> |
| Mostly good for the country | 43 |
| Mostly bad for the country | 45 |
| Mixed (VOL.) | 5 |
| Don't know/Refused (VOL.) | 7 |

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

ASK ALL:

AGNCYFAV

What is your overall opinion of each of the following agencies and departments of the federal government? [RANDOMIZE ITEMS ACROSS TWO SCREENS]

| | | | Favorable | | Unfavorable | | | | |
|-----|---|------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| | ASK FORM 1 [N=1,770]: | <u>NET</u> | <u>Very</u> | <u>Somewhat</u> | <u>NET</u> | <u>Very</u> | <u>Somewhat</u> | Not <u>sure</u> | No <u>answer</u> * |
| FBI | The Federal Bureau of Investigation, the FBI | | | | | | | | |
| | Aug 4-10, 2025 | 48 | 10 | 38 | 36 | 15 | 21 | 16 | * |
| | Jul 1-7, 2024 | 51 | 15 | 36 | 33 | 16 | 17 | 16 | * |
| | Mar 13-19, 2023 | 52 | 15 | 38 | 36 | 17 | 19 | 12 | * |
| NWS | The National Weather Service Aug 4-10, 2025 | 76 | 35 | 41 | 11 | 3 | 8 | 13 | * |
| CDC | The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the CDC | | | | | | | | |
| | Aug 4-10, 2025 | 53 | 20 | 33 | 34 | 14 | 19 | 13 | * |
| | Jul 1-7, 2024 | 55 | 21 | 34 | 35 | 18 | 17 | 10 | * |
| | Mar 13-19, 2023 | 56 | 20 | 36 | 38 | 18 | 19 | 6 | * |

| AGNCYFAV CONTINUED | | Favorable | | | Unfavorable | | | Nist | NI - |
|--------------------|--|------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| | | <u>NET</u> | <u>Very</u> | <u>Somewhat</u> | <u>NET</u> | <u>Very</u> | <u>Somewhat</u> | Not <u>sure</u> | No <u>answer</u> * |
| SSA | The Social Security Administration | | | | | | | | |
| | Aug 4-10, 2025 | 58 | 17 | 41 | 27 | 9 | 18 | 15 | * |
| | Jul 1-7, 2024 | 53 | 16 | <i>37</i> | 32 | 11 | 21 | 15 | * |
| | Mar 13-19, 2023 | 61 | 19 | 42 | 28 | 8 | 19 | 12 | 7 |
| FED | The Federal Reserve | 40 | 4.2 | 26 | 20 | 4.2 | 4.0 | 22 | * |
| | Aug 4-10, 2025 Jul 1-7, 2024 | 49 45 | 13 11 | 36 34 | 28 32 | 12 12 | 16 19 | 23 23 | * |
| | Mar 13-19, 2023 | 43 | 11 | 33 | 37 | 14 | 22 | 20 | * |
| NPS | The National Park Service | | | | | | | | |
| | Aug 4-10, 2025 | 76 | 43 | 34 | 8 | 2 | 6 | 15 | * |
| | Jul 1-7, 2024 | 76 | 39 | <i>37</i> | 7 | 2 | 5 | 17 | * |
| | Mar 13-19, 2023 | 81 | 40 | 41 | 7 | 2 | 4 | 12 | * |
| STATE | The State Department | 45 | • | 26 | 24 | | 20 | 2.4 | * |
| | Aug 4-10, 2025 | 45 | 9 | 36 | 31 | 11 | 20 | 24 | * |
| ICE | Immigration and Customs | | | | | | | | |
| | Enforcement, ICE Aug 4-10, 2025 | 40 | 20 | 20 | 49 | 33 | 16 | 10 | * |
| | ASK FORM 2 [N=1,784]: | | | | | | | | |
| JSTCE | The Justice Department | | | | | | | | |
| | Aug 4-10, 2025 | 39 | 8 | 31 | 46 | 18 | 27 | 15 | 1 |
| | Jul 1-7, 2024 Mar 13-19, 2023 | 43 49 | 9 10 | 34 39 | 44 41 | 19 17 | 25 24 | 13 10 | * |
| | | 15 | 10 | 33 | | 17 | 21 | 10 | |
| IRS | The Internal Revenue Service, the IRS | | | | | | | | |
| | Aug 4-10, 2025 | 36 | 6 | 30 | 50 | 22 | 27 | 14 | * |
| | Jul 1-7, 2024 | 38 | 8 | 30 | 50 | 23 | 27 | 12 | * |
| | Mar 13-19, 2023 | 42 | 7 | 34 | 51 | 22 | 29 | 7 | * |
| NASA | The National Aeronautics and | | | | | | | | |
| | Space Administration, NASA Aug 4-10, 2025 | 64 | 22 | 42 | 15 | 5 | 10 | 20 | 1 |
| | Jul 1-7, 2024 | 67 | 26 | 41 | 12 | 3 | 9 | 20 | 1 |
| | Mar 13-19, 2023 | 74 | 30 | 44 | 9 | 2 | 7 | 17 | * |
| VA | The Department of Veterans | | | | | | | | |
| | Affairs, the VA | | 1.5 | 25 | 20 | 0 | 20 | 20 | |
| | Aug 4-10, 2025 Jul 1-7, 2024 | 51 51 | 15 14 | 35 37 | 29 29 | 9 8 | 20 20 | 20 19 | 1 1 |
| | Mar 13-19, 2023 | 56 | 15 | 41 | 28 | 7 | 21 | 16 | * |
| USPS | The United States Postal | | | | | | | | |
| | Service | | _ | | | | _ | | |
| | Aug 4-10, 2025 | 69 72 | 27 29 | 42 43 | 23 21 | 7 6 | 15 15 | 8 | * 1 |
| | Jul 1-7, 2024 Mar 13-19, 2023 | 72 77 | 29 30 | 43 47 | 20 | 5 | 15 15 | 6 3 | * |
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| AGNCYFAV CONTINUED | | Favorable | | Unfavorable | | | Not | No | |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|-------------|-----------------|------------|-------------|-----------------|------|---------|
| | | <u>NET</u> | <u>Very</u> | <u>Somewhat</u> | <u>NET</u> | <u>Very</u> | <u>Somewhat</u> | sure | answer* |
| HHS | The Department of Health | | | | | | | | |
| | and Human Services, the HHS | | | | | | | | |
| | Aug 4-10, 2025 | 48 | 12 | 36 | 36 | 15 | 21 | 15 | 1 |
| | Jul 1-7, 2024 | 50 | 14 | 36 | 31 | 11 | 20 | 18 | * |
| | Mar 13-19, 2023 | 55 | 15 | 40 | 30 | 10 | 19 | 15 | * |
| HMLND | The Department of Homeland Security | | | | | | | | |
| | Aug 4-10, 2025 | 46 | 15 | 31 | 40 | 20 | 20 | 13 | 1 |
| | Jul 1-7, 2024 | 48 | 12 | 36 | 36 | 15 | 20 | 15 | 1 |
| | Mar 13-19, 2023 | 51 | 12 | 39 | 35 | 13 | 23 | 13 | * |
| CNCS | The Census Bureau | | | | | | | | |
| | Aug 4-10, 2025 | 51 | 12 | 39 | 20 | 6 | 14 | 28 | 1 |

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ASK ALL:

PARTY In politics today, do you consider yourself a...

ASK IF INDEP/SOMETHING ELSE (PARTY=3, 4 OR REFUSED):

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

Something No Lean Lean <u>else</u> 13 <u>Republican</u> <u>Democrat</u> <u>Independent</u> answer* <u>Rep</u> <u>Dem</u> 29 27 29 2 18 20

 $^{\rm 1}$ PARTY and PARTYLN asked in a prior survey.