

Centerline National Poll

Weighted Topline

September 26 – October 1, 2026

All adults n = 1,463 | Registered voters n = 1,239 | Likely voters n = 930

Centerline Research & Strategy conducted this survey of 1,570 U.S. adults age 18 and over from September 26 to October 1, 2026. 1,145 respondents completed the survey via a nonprobability online panel sample provided by RepData, and 425 were probability-based text-to-web respondents sampled from the voter file. Survey responses were screened for quality on measures of attention, time to completion, and suspected bot or AI behavior, and suspicious cases were discarded during data collection. Sampling and fielding were managed by [TrueDot](#). After fielding, 107 cases were removed for consistent acquiescence bias (choosing the top choice or positive response on every substantive question); 101 were from the online panel and 6 from text-to-web.

The all-adults (n=1,463) and registered voters (n=1,239) data are weighted to Current Population Survey estimates for gender within race, race overall, age within race, education within race, region, density (urban, suburban, rural), and voter registration. Data are additionally weighted to population estimates of religious affiliation compiled by PRRI. Likely voters (n=930) are those who said they would certainly or probably vote in 2026, did not say “not sure” to Trump approval, and did not say “will not vote” on the congressional ballot or on more than one in a series of issue-based vote questions. This sample is weighted to the same demographics using Catalist's past turnout data as the basis for weighting targets.

Because this survey is based on a hybrid probability and nonprobability sample, no estimates of sampling error can be calculated. Surveys are always subject to multiple sources of error, including, but not limited to, sampling error, coverage error, and measurement error. If this poll were conducted fully among a probability sample, the margins of error would be +/- 3.2 percentage points for all adults, +/- 3.2 for registered voters, and +/- 3.8 for likely voters, all at the 95 percent confidence level; all margins of error include design effects that range from 1.34 to 1.55. The margin of error increases for subgroups.

Due to rounding, percentages may not sum to 100%.

MOSTIMP

What do you think is the most important issue facing the United States today?

Open-ended responses coded into categories. Up to two main categories were coded per response, so percentages sum to more than 100%. Indented rows are subsets of the category above them.

Response	All Adults	Registered Voters	Likely Voters
Inflation, prices and cost of living	30	29	30
Gas prices	6	5	4
Economy and jobs	28	27	27
Tariffs	1	1	1
Debt and deficit	1	1	2
Corruption and democracy	12	13	13
From the right	4	4	5
From the left	6	7	7
Election concerns	1	1	2
Trump and administration	8	9	9
Trump corruption / abuse of power	2	4	4
Polarization and division	5	6	6
Healthcare and insurance	6	6	6
War, foreign policy and national security	8	9	8
Iran war	2	3	3
Israel and Gaza	1	1	1
Immigration and the border	8	10	9
Crime and guns	2	2	2
Other issues	14	14	13
Housing, homelessness, hunger	5	4	4
Religion	1	1	1
AI	1	1	1
Not sure / no answer	3	1	0

2 questions on media use held for later release.

DTAPPROV

Do you approve or disapprove of the job Donald Trump is doing as president?

Response	All Adults	Registered Voters	Likely Voters
Strongly approve	16	19	21
Somewhat approve	15	16	18
Total approve	31	35	38
Somewhat disapprove	12	11	9
Strongly disapprove	52	53	53
Total disapprove	64	64	62
Not sure	5	2	0
Total	100	100	100

CONVT26

If the election for U.S. Congress was held today, would you vote for the Democratic candidate or the Republican candidate in your district?

Response	All Adults	Registered Voters	Likely Voters
Democratic candidate	43	49	50
Republican candidate	33	39	42
Not sure	13	10	8
Not planning to vote	10	3	0
Total	100	100	100

REPKNOW

Do you know who your current representative in the U.S. Congress is? If you don't know, that's okay - please just select no. If you do, please enter their last name.

Response	All Adults	Registered Voters	Likely Voters
No	48	39	36
Yes	36	46	50
Not sure	16	14	14
Total	100	100	100

REPNAME

Name entered for current representative in the U.S. Congress.

Asked of those who said they know who their representative is. Names were checked against the current membership of the U.S. House and Senate.

Response	All Adults	Registered Voters	Likely Voters
Names a current member of Congress	84	85	86
No name given, or not a member of Congress	16	15	14
Total	100	100	100

REELECT2

Do you think most representatives in the U.S. Congress should be re-elected or replaced with someone new?

Response	All Adults	Registered Voters	Likely Voters
Re-elected	17	18	18
Replaced with someone new	57	61	65
Not sure	25	21	18
Total	100	100	100

IMPACT

How do you think the outcome of the November elections and people elected to Congress will affect your life over the next two years?

Response	All Adults	Registered Voters	Likely Voters
They will improve my life a lot	11	12	14
They will improve my life a little	20	23	27
Total improve	31	35	42
They will make no difference in my life	24	23	21
They will make my life a little worse	11	11	11
They will make my life a lot worse	8	8	5
Total worse	19	19	16
Not sure	26	23	22
Total	100	100	100

Battery on single-issue voting held for later release.

FAVBAT

Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of each of the following:

Columns: very favorable, somewhat favorable, total favorable, somewhat unfavorable, very unfavorable, total unfavorable, have not heard of it, not sure. Item order randomized.

Item		Very fav.	Smwt. fav.	Total fav.	Smwt. unfav.	Very unfav.	Total unfav.	Not heard of it	Not sure
The Democratic Party	All adults	19	24	43	18	27	45	2	10
	Reg. voters	22	26	48	18	31	48	1	3
	Likely voters	22	27	49	16	32	48	1	2
The Republican Party	All adults	16	20	36	15	39	53	2	9
	Reg. voters	18	22	40	15	41	56	1	3
	Likely voters	20	22	42	14	42	56	1	1

5 items from this battery held for later release.

Additional questions held for later release.

GENDER

What is your gender?

Response	All Adults	Registered Voters	Likely Voters
Male	48	47	46
Female	52	53	54
Total	100	100	100

AGE

Age group.

Response	All Adults	Registered Voters	Likely Voters
18-29	18	13	12
30-44	25	24	23
45-64	33	34	36
65+	24	28	30
Total	100	100	100

RACE/ETHNICITY

Combined race and ethnicity: Hispanic of any race; non-Hispanic White; non-Hispanic Black; all others.

Response	All Adults	Registered Voters	Likely Voters
White	65	69	72
Black	13	12	11
Hispanic	14	12	11
Other	8	7	6
Total	100	100	100

EDUC

What is the highest level of education you have completed?

Response	All Adults	Registered Voters	Likely Voters
I did not complete high school	4	2	2
High school degree or G.E.D.	29	23	19
Some college, no degree	20	21	23
Associate's (two-year) degree	10	13	15
Bachelor's (four-year) degree	23	25	24
Postgraduate degree	13	17	17
Total	100	100	100

PARTY ID

Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a:

Independent includes those who answered Other or Not sure.

Response	All Adults	Registered Voters	Likely Voters
Democrat	32	36	37
Independent/Other/Not sure	39	30	28
Republican	28	34	36
Total	100	100	100

PARTY ID WITH LEANERS

Party identification with independents who lean toward a party counted as partisans.

Response	All Adults	Registered Voters	Likely Voters
Democrat + leaners	42	46	46
Pure independent/Other	23	13	10
Republican + leaners	35	41	44
Total	100	100	100

REG

Are you registered to vote at your current address?

Response	All Adults	Registered Voters	Likely Voters
Yes	70	100	100
No	25	0	0
Not sure	5	0	0
Total	100	100	100

VOTE

In November 2026, there will be elections for federal and state offices, including the U.S. Congress. What are the chances of you voting in the November 2026 election?

Asked of registered voters.

Response	All Adults	Registered Voters	Likely Voters
I am certain to vote	--	71	84
I will probably vote	--	14	15
There is a 50-50 chance I will vote	--	7	0
I am not very likely to vote	--	2	0
I will not vote	--	4	0
Not sure	--	1	1
Total	100	100	100

TURNOUT2024

Thinking back to 2024, did you vote in the November 2024 general election for President?

Response	All Adults	Registered Voters	Likely Voters
Yes, I voted in the presidential election	66	89	94
No, I did not vote in the presidential election	29	10	5
I don't know or can't remember	5	1	0
Total	100	100	100

VOTE2024

Who did you vote for in the November 2024 general election for President?

Asked of those who said they voted in the 2024 presidential election.

Response	All Adults	Registered Voters	Likely Voters
Donald Trump, the Republican	44	45	46
Kamala Harris, the Democrat	50	50	50
Someone else	5	4	3
I don't know or can't remember	2	1	1
Total	100	100	100

AREA TYPE

Would you say the area where you live is:

Response	All Adults	Registered Voters	Likely Voters
Urban	30	25	20
Suburban/small city	45	50	55
Small town/rural	25	25	25
Total	100	100	100

REGION

Region of residence.

Response	All Adults	Registered Voters	Likely Voters
New England	5	5	5
Middle Atlantic	13	13	13
East North Central	14	15	14
West North Central	6	6	6
Deep South	32	31	31
Border states	7	7	7
Mountain States	8	8	8
Pacific	15	15	16
Total	100	100	100

RELIGION BY RACE

Religious affiliation combined with race and ethnicity.

Response	All Adults	Registered Voters	Likely Voters
White evangelical	13	14	12
White protestant	13	15	16
White Catholic	12	14	17
Black protestant	7	7	6
Hispanic protestant	4	4	3
Hispanic Catholic	6	6	6
Other Christian (any race)	13	10	10
Jewish	2	2	2
Muslim	1	1	1
All else	2	1	2
Unaffiliated	27	26	25
Total	100	100	100