# 2023 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL FINAL TOPLINE WAVE 120 JANUARY 2023 JANUARY 18-24, 2023 N=5,152

#### **ASK FORM 1 [N=2,578]:**

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All in all, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way things are going in this country today?

	<u>Satisfied</u>	<b>Dissatisfied</b>	No answer
Jan 18-24, 2023	22	78	*
Nov 16-27, 2022	24	75	1
Oct 10-16, 2022	21	79	1
Aug 1-14, 2022	18	81	1
Apr 25-May 1, 2022	24	75	1
Jan 10-17, 2022	21	78	1
Sep 20-26, 2021	25	74	1
Sep 13-19, 2021	26	74	*
Mar 1-7, 2021	33	66	1
Nov 12-17, 2020	22	77	1
Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	18	82	1
Jul 27-Aug 2, 2020	12	87	1
Jun 16-22, 2020	12	87	1
Apr 7-12, 2020	31	68	1
Mar 19-24, 2020	33	66	1
Oct 29-Nov 11, 2019	31	69	1
Oct 1-13, 2019	28	71	1
Jul 22-Aug 4, 2019	27	72	1
Nov 27-Dec 10, 2018	34	65	1
Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018	36	63	1
Feb 28-Mar 12, 2017 <sup>1</sup>	32	68	0
Sep 27-Oct 10, 2016	23	75	2
Jun 7-Jul 5, 2016	19	80	1
Sep 15-Oct 3, 2014	25	75	0

#### **ASK FORM 2 [N=2,574]:**

YEARAHEAD  $\;\;\;$  Looking ahead, as far as you are concerned, do you think that 2023 will be ...

#### [RANDOMIZE]

Jan 18-24,		Jan 10-17,	Jan 8-12,	Jan 6-19,
<u>2023</u>		<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
57	Better than 2022	61	67	55
43	Worse than 2022	38	32	43
*	No answer	1	1	2

#### PHONE TREND FOR COMPARISON

Looking ahead, as far as you are concerned, do you think that [coming year] will be better or worse than [prior year]?

			(VOL.)
	<u>Better</u>	<u>Worse</u>	DK/Ref
Jan 8-13, 2020	55	34	11
Jan 9-14, 2019	47	43	10

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The W24.5 Mode Study survey was administered by web and phone. Results reported here are from web mode only.

#### YEARAHEAD PHONE TREND FOR COMPARISON CONTINUED...

			(VOL.)
	<u>Better</u>	<u>Worse</u>	DK/Ref
Jan 10-15, 2018	61	29	11
Jan 4-9, 2017	49	42	9
Jan 7-14, 2016	56	30	14
Dec 3-7, 2014 (U)	49	42	9
Jan 15-19, 2014	56	35	9
Dec 5-9, 2012	55	36	9
Jan 11-16, 2012	57	29	14
Dec 1-5, 2010	55	31	14
Jan 6-10, 2010	67	26	8
Jan 7-11, 2009	52	37	11
December, 2007	50	34	16
December, 2006	57	28	15
December, 1999	66	19	15
December, 1998	59	25	16
December, 1994	59	28	13
Gallup: December, 1993	64	20	16
Gallup: December, 1992	61	11	28
Gallup: December, 1991	61	31	8
Gallup: December, 1990	48	42	10
Gallup: December, 1986	53	25	22
Gallup: December, 1985	64	20	17
Gallup: December, 1984	61	20	19
Gallup: December, 1982	50	32	18
Gallup: December, 1981	41	44	15

#### ASK ALL:

POL1JB Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling his job as president?

ASK IF ANSWERED POLIJB=1,2:

POL1JBSTR Do you [IF POL1JB=1: approve; IF POL1JB=2: disapprove] of the way Joe Biden is handling his job as president...

	NET <u>Approve</u>	Very strongly	Not so strongly	No <u>answer</u>	NET <u>Disapprove</u>	Very <u>strongly</u>	Not so strongly	No <u>answer</u>	No <u>answer</u>
Jan 18-24, 2023-	38	18	19	1	60	41	18	*	3
Oct 10-16, 2022	38	19	19	1	59	40	18	1	3
Aug 1-14, 2022	37	17	19	1	60	39	20	*	3
Jun 27-Jul 4, 2022	37	18	18	1	62	45	16	1	2
Mar 7-13, 2022	43	n/a	n/a	n/a	55	n/a	n/a	n/a	2
Jan 10-17, 2022	41	21	19	1	56	39	18	*	3
Sep 13-19, 2021	44	27	17	*	53	38	15	1	3
Jul 8-18, 2021	55	n/a	n/a	n/a	43	n/a	n/a	n/a	2
Apr 5-11, 2021	59	n/a	n/a	n/a	39	n/a	n/a	n/a	2
Mar 1-7, 2021	54	38	15	1	42	29	12	1	4

See past presidents' approval trends: <u>Donald Trump</u>, <u>Barack Obama</u>, <u>George W. Bush</u>, <u>Bill Clinton</u>

JBSUCCESS In the long run, do you think Joe Biden will be... [RANDOMIZE 1 AND 2 WITH OPTION 3 ALWAYS LAST]

Jan 18-24,		Jan 10-17,	Jan 8-12,
<u>2023</u>		<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
23	A successful president	20	29
49	An unsuccessful president	43	26
27	Too early to tell	37	44
1	No answer	1	1

#### TREND FOR COMPARISON:

In the long run, do you think Donald Trump will be...

	Jan 6-19
	<u>2020</u>
A successful president	34
An unsuccessful president	48
Too early to tell	18
No answer	1

#### PHONE TREND FOR COMPARISON

In the long run, do you think Donald Trump will be a successful or unsuccessful president, or do you think it is too early to tell?

think it is too early to tell?			Too onely	()(01.)
	Successful	<u>Unsuccessful</u>	Too early <u>to tell</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
Trump				
Jan 8-13, 2020	36	37	26	1
Jan 9-14, 2019	29	47	23	1
Jan 10-15, 2018	23	41	34	1
Jan 4-9, 2017	21	20	58	1
Obama				
Jan 7-14, 2016	37	34	26	3
Jan 7-11, 2015	32	38	29	2
Jan 15-19, 2014	28	34	35	3
Jun 12-16, 2013	34	31	33	2
Jan 9-13, 2013	33	26	39	2
Jan 11-16, 2012	27	32	39	2
Jan 5-9, 2011	25	26	47	2
Jan 6-10, 2010	24	21	52	3
Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009	27	18	54	2
Jan 7-11, 2009	30	4	65	1
Bush				
January, 2007	24	45	27	4
January, 2006	27	37	32	4
Early October, 2005	26	41	30	3
January, 2005	36	27	35	2
December, 2003	39	20	38	3
Early October, 2002	40	15	44	1
January, 2001	26	15	58	1
Clinton				_
January, 1999	44	24	29	3
Early September, 1998	38	24	35	3 5
February, 1995	18	34	43	5
October, 1994	14	35	48	3
May, 1994	21	26	52	1
January, 1994	21	19	57	3
October, 1993	18	25	56	1

#### ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

### ON SEPARATE SCREENS; ASK FORM 2 (XFORM=2) OPWITHPRES FIRST AND PRESWITHOP SECOND ON SEPARATE SCREENS]

#### **ASK FORM 1 [N=2,578]:**

PRESWITHOP This year, do you think Joe Biden should... [RANDOMIZE]

Jan 18-24, <u>2023</u>		Jan 10-17, <u>2022</u>	Jan 8-12, 2021 <sup>2</sup>
73	Try as best he can to work with Republican congressional leaders to accomplish things, even if it means disappointing some people who voted for him	67	74
25	Stand up to Republican congressional leaders on issues that are important to the people who voted for him, even if it means it's harder to address critical problems facing the country	29	23
2	No answer	4	3

## [ASK FORM 1 (XFORM=1) PRESWITHOP FIRST AND OPWITHPRES SECOND ON SEPARATE SCREENS; ASK FORM 2 (XFORM=2) OPWITHPRES FIRST AND PRESWITHOP SECOND ON SEPARATE SCREENS]

#### **ASK FORM 2 [N=2,574]:**

OPWITHPRES This year, do you think Republican congressional leaders should... [RANDOMIZE]

Jan 18-24, <u>2023</u>		Jan 10-17, <u>2022</u>	Jan 8-12, <u>2021</u>
63	Try as best they can to work with Joe Biden to accomplish things, even if it means disappointing some Republican voters	61	66
35	Stand up to Joe Biden on issues that are important to Republican voters, even if it means it's harder to address critical problems facing the country	37	31
2	No answer	2	3

In January 2021, second response option was worded as " ... on issues that are important to his supporters ...".

REPOVRSGHT Thinking about Republican control of the House of Representatives this year, which concerns you more?

Jan 18-24, <u>2023</u>	
65	That Republicans in Congress will FOCUS TOO MUCH on investigating the Biden administration
32	That Republicans in Congress will NOT FOCUS ENOUGH on investigating the Biden administration
3	No answer

#### BASED ON REPUBLICAN AND REPUBLICAN LEANERS [N=2,311]:

Jan 18-24, <u>2023</u>	
42	That Republicans in Congress will FOCUS TOO MUCH on investigating the Biden administration
56	That Republicans in Congress will NOT FOCUS ENOUGH on investigating the Biden administration
2	No answer

#### TREND FOR COMPARISON:

Thinking about Democratic control of the House of Representatives next year, which concerns you more?

#### **BASED ON DEMOCRATS AND DEMOCRATIC LEANERS:**

	Apr 29-	
	May 13	Nov 7-13,
	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
That Democrats in Congress will FOCUS	51	46
TOO MUCH on investigating the Trump		
administration		
That Democrats in Congress will NOT	47	51
FOCUS ENOUGH on investigating the		
Trump administration		
No answer	2	3

#### ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

#### ASK ALL:

ECON1 Thinking about the nation's economy...

How would you rate economic conditions in this country today?

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	Only fair	<u>Poor</u>	No answer
Jan 18-24, 2023	1	20	47	32	*
Oct 10-16, 2022	2	16	46	36	*
Jun 27-Jul 4, 2022	1	12	38	49	*
Jan 10-17, 2022	2	25	47	24	1
Sep 13-19, 2021	2	24	50	24	*
Apr 20-29, 2021	2	35	49	14	*
Mar 1-7, 2021	2	21	53	24	*
Nov 12-17, 2020	5	31	44	20	*
Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	4	29	42	25	*
Jun 16-22, 2020	4	22	44	30	1
Apr 7-12, 2020	4	19	38	38	1
Jan 6-19, 2020	16	42	33	9	*
Sep 16-29, 2019	10	46	35	8	*
Jul 22-Aug 4, 2019	14	43	32	11	*
Nov 7-16, 2018	13	46	31	9	1
Sep 24-Oct 7, 2018	12	45	32	11	*
Feb 28-Mar 12, 2017	2	37	43	17	0
Oct 25-Nov 8, 2016	2	30	47	21	*
Apr 29-May 27, 2014	1	18	50	30	1

#### ASK ALL:

ECON1B A year from now, do you expect that economic conditions in the country as a whole will be...

			About the	
			same as	
	<u>Better</u>	<u>Worse</u>	<u>now</u>	No answer
Jan 18-24, 2023	23	40	36	1
Oct 10-16, 2022	23	41	35	1
Jun 27-Jul 4, 2022	22	47	30	1
Jan 10-17, 2022	27	35	37	1
Sep 13-19, 2021	29	37	34	1
Apr 20-29, 2021	45	28	27	1
Mar 1-7, 2021	44	31	24	*
Nov 12-17, 2020	42	32	24	2
Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	52	17	30	1
Jun 16-22. 2020	50	22	27	1
Apr 7-12, 2020	55	22	22	1
Jan 6-19, 2020	29	26	45	1
Sep 16-29, 2019	20	32	48	*
Jul 22-Aug 4, 2019	28	28	44	*

ASK ALL:

ECONCONC How concerned, if at all, are you personally about each of the following economic issues in the country today? [RANDOMIZE ITEMS ACROSS TWO SCREENS]

		Very concerned	Somewhat concerned	Not too concerned	Not at all concerned	No <u>answer</u>
PRICE	The price of food and consumer goods					
	Jan 18-24, 2023	75	20	4	1	*
TDE	Oct 10-16, 2022	73	22	4	1	*
IKE	ND FOR COMPARISON: Rising prices for food and					
	<i>consumer goods</i> Jun 27-Jul 4, 2022	75	21	3	1	*
	Sep 13-19, 2021	63	30	6	1	*
UNEM	People who want to work being unable to find jobs					
	Jan 18-24, 2023	30	34	26	10	*
	Oct 10-16, 2022	29	31	28	11	1
	Jun 27-Jul 4, 2022 Sep 13-19, 2021	27 29	32 32	28 23	12 15	1 *
LAB	Employers being unable to find workers to hire					
	Jan 18-24, 2023	30	39	22	8	*
	Oct 10-16, 2022	34	37	21	8	*
	Jun 27-Jul 4, 2022	32	40	21	7	*
	Sep 13-19, 2021	42	37	15	6	*
ENG2	The price of gasoline and energy	60	20	0		*
	Jan 18-24, 2023 Oct 10-16, 2022	60 69	30 24	8 6	1 1	*
TRF	ND FOR COMPARISON:	09	24	O	1	·
	Rising prices for gasoline and energy					
	Jun 27-Jul 4, 2022	75	19	4	2	*
SHTG	Limited availability for some					
	consumer products Jan 18-24 ,2023	36	43	18	3	*
	Oct 10-16, 2022	36	43	17	3	*
	Jun 27-Jul 4, 2022	42	41	14	2	*
REAL	The cost of housing					
	Jan 18-24, 2023	60	27	10	2	*
	Oct 10-16, 2022	60 60	27 27	10	3 3	*
	Jun 27-Jul 4, 2022	60	27	10	3	7
STCK	How the stock market is doing	26	20	26	0	
	Jan 18-24, 2023 Oct 10-16, 2022	26 32	38 37	26 21	9 9	1 1
	Jun 27-Jul 4, 2022	32 31	37 36	21	10	1
	Juli 27 Juli 1, 2022	51	30		10	_

ECON\_FUT A year from now, do you expect each of the following will be better or worse than they are

now? [RANDOMIZE ITEMS; REVERSE ORDER OF RESPONSE OPTIONS FOR RANDOM HALF OF SAMPLE]

		A lot better	A little better	About the same	A little worse	A lot worse	No answer
JBS	The availability of good paying jobs Jan 18-24, 2023	3	16	46	22	13	*
PRICE	The affordability of food and	3	10	40	22	13	
	consumer goods Jan 18-24 ,2023	4	18	24	29	25	*
ASK FO HOUS	RM 1 ONLY [N=2,578]: The affordability of housing						
	Jan 18-24, 2023	2	17	32	25	24	1
	RM 2 ONLY [N=2,574]:						
HLTH	The affordability of healthcare Jan 18-24, 2023	3	9	44	26	18	*

#### ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

#### **ASK ALL:**

FAVPOL What is your overall opinion of... [RANDOMIZE ITEMS]

	NET <u>favorable</u>	Very <u>favorable</u>	Mostly <u>favorable</u>	NET <u>unfavorable</u>	Very <u>unfavorable</u>	Mostly <u>unfavorable</u>	Never heard of this person	No <u>answer</u>
<b>ASK ALL:</b> Kamala Harris								
Jan 18-24, 2023	39	8	30	56	34	21	4 3	2
Jun 27-Jul 4, 2022	43	10	33	52	35	16	3	2
ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N	N=2,578]:							
Jan 18-24, 2023	28	6 5	23	44	24	20	26	2
Jun 27-Jul 4, 2022	28	5	23	43	25	17	26	3
Mitch McConnell								
Jan 18-24, 2023	18	1 2	16	63	<i>32</i>	31	18	2 3
Jun 27-Jul 4, 2022	19	2	18	62	35	27	16	3
ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N Kevin McCarthy	N=2,574]:							
Jan 18-24, 2023	28	3	25	43	21	22	27	2
Jun 27-Jul 4, 2022	19	4	15	41	22	19	37	3
Hakeem Jeffries		_	4-		44	40		•
Jan 18-24, 2023	23	6	17	24	11	13	51	2

UKRFOL How closely have you been following news about Russia's invasion of Ukraine?

			Apr 25-
Jan 18-24,		Sep 12-18,	May 1,
<u>2023</u>		<u>2022</u>	<u>2022</u>
9	Extremely closely	9	15
18	Very closely	16	21
38	Somewhat closely	37	38
23	Not too closely	23	19
12	Not at all closely	14	7
*	No answer	*	*

#### ASK ALL:

JB\_RUSUKR\_APP Do you approve or disapprove of the Biden administration's response to Russia's invasion of Ukraine?

		Apr 25-	
Jan 18-24,		May 1,	Mar 7-13,
<u>2023</u>		<u>2022</u>	<u>2022</u>
14	Strongly approve	13	18
29	Somewhat approve	32	29
19	Somewhat disapprove	19	18
14	Strongly disapprove	15	21
22	Not sure	20	13
1	No answer	1	1

#### **ASK ALL:**

When it comes to Russia's invasion of Ukraine, do you think the U.S. is providing... **[RANDOMIZE OPTIONS 1 AND 2; ALWAYS ASK OPTIONS 3 AND 4 LAST]** UKR\_SPRT

			Apr 25-	
Jan 18-24,		Sep 12-18,	May 1,	Mar 7-13,
<u>2023</u>		<u>2022</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2022</u>
26	Too much support to Ukraine	20	12	7
20	Not enough support to Ukraine	18	31	42
31	About the right amount of support to Ukraine [ANCHOR]	37	35	32
22	Not sure [ANCHOR]	24	22	19
1	No answer	1	1	1

RU\_UKN\_THRT2 How much of a threat to U.S. interests is Russia's invasion of Ukraine?

Jan 18-24, <u>2023</u>		Mar 7-13, <u>2022</u>
35	A major threat	50
33	A minor threat	28
9	Not a threat	6
21	Not sure	16
1	No answer	1

#### TREND FOR COMPARISON:

How much of a threat to U.S. interests is Russia's military buildup near its border with Ukraine?

	Jan 10-17
	<u>2022</u>
A major threat	26
A minor threat	33
Not a threat	7
Not sure	33
No answer	1

#### ASK IF REP/LEAN REP OR DEM/LEAN DEM:

[FOR REP OR LEAN REP (XPARTYSUM\_FINAL=1): ASK UNITEDREP FIRST AND THEN UNITEDDEM ON SEPARATE PAGES. FOR DEM OR LEAN DEM (XPARTYSUM\_FINAL=2): ASK UNITEDDEM FIRST AND THEN UNITEDREP ON SEPARATE PAGES.

UNITEDREP When it comes to the issues facing the country, do you think the REPUBLICAN PARTY is...

#### BASED ON REP/LEAN REP [N=2,311]:

	Jan 10-17,
	<u>2022</u>
Completely united	6
Mostly united	71
Mostly divided	18
Completely divided	3
No answer	2
	Mostly united Mostly divided Completely divided

#### ASK IF REP/LEAN REP OR DEM/LEAN DEM:

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UNITEDDEM When it comes to the issues facing the country, do you think the DEMOCRATIC PARTY is...

#### BASED ON DEM/LEAN DEM [N=2,640]:

Jan 18-24,		Jan 10-17,
<u>2023</u>		<u>2022</u>
9	Completely united	4
71	Mostly united	64
16	Mostly divided	25
3	Completely divided	6
1	No answer	1

PARTY In politics today, do you consider yourself a:

ASK IF INDEP/SOMETHING ELSE (PARTY=3 or 4) OR MISSING:

PARTYLN As of today do you lean more to...<sup>3</sup>

Something No Lean Lean Republican <u>Democrat</u> <u>Independent</u> <u>else</u> <u>Rep</u> <u>Dem</u> <u>answer</u> 15 28 28 28 2 18 19

Key to Pew Research trends noted in the topline:

(U) Pew Research Center/USA Today polls

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