

2026 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL
Wave 196: Politics July Survey
FINAL TOPLINE
July 6-12, 2026
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 ALL:

INSTFAV Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of each of the following?
[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]

ADDITIONAL ITEM PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

INSTFAV CONTINUED ...		-----Favorable-----			-----Unfavorable-----			
		NET	<u>Very</u>	<u>Mostly</u>	NET	<u>Very</u>	<u>Mostly</u>	No answer*
COURT	The Supreme Court							
	Jul 6-12, 2026	45	4	41	53	20	33	2
	Aug 4-10, 2025	48	7	41	50	18	32	2
	Apr 7-13, 2025	51	7	43	47	16	31	2
	Jul 1-7, 2024	47	10	38	51	23	28	2
	Jul 10-16, 2023	44	7	38	54	21	33	2
	Mar 27-Apr 2, 2023	48	5	44	50	16	34	2
	Aug 1-14, 2022	48	9	39	49	21	28	3
	Jan 10-17, 2022	54	5	49	44	10	34	2
	Apr 5-11, 2021	65	7	58	33	7	26	2
	Jul 27-Aug 2, 2020	70	9	61	29	5	23	2
	Jan 6-19, 2020	66	8	58	32	7	25	2
	Jul 22-Aug 4, 2019	69	8	61	30	7	23	1

PHONE TREND FOR COMPARISON:

	----- Favorable -----			---- Unfavorable ----			(VOL.)	(VOL.)
	Total	<u>Very</u>	<u>Mostly</u>	Total	<u>Very</u>	<u>Mostly</u>	Never heard of	Can't rate/ Ref
Jul 23-Aug 4, 2020	62	10	51	32	11	21	1	6
Jan 8-13, 2020	66	12	54	27	7	19	1	7
Jul 10-15, 2019	62	14	48	31	9	22	*	7
Jan 9-14, 2019	70	16	55	23	7	16	*	6
Mar 7-14, 2018	66	11	55	28	8	20	*	5
Aug 9-16, 2016	60	11	48	32	10	22	*	8

PHONE TREND FOR COMPARISON CONTINUED ...

	----- Favorable -----			---- Unfavorable ----			(VOL.) Never	(VOL.) Can't rate/
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>Mostly</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>Mostly</u>	<u>heard of</u>	<u>Ref</u>
Jun 15-26, 2016	62	16	47	29	9	20	1	8
Sep 22-27, 2015	50	8	42	42	17	25	1	7
Jul 14-20, 2015	48	9	39	43	17	26	*	9
Mar 25-29, 2015	50	8	42	39	12	26	1	11
Jul 8-14, 2014	52	8	44	38	14	24	1	9
Apr 23-27, 2014	56	11	44	35	12	23	*	9
Jul 17-21, 2013	48	7	41	38	14	24	1	13
Mar 13-17, 2013	52	7	45	31	10	21	2	15
Dec 5-9, 2012	53	8	45	36	12	24	1	10
Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	51	10	41	37	14	23	1	11
Apr 4-15, 2012	52	11	41	29	10	20	*	18
Jul 1-5, 2010	58	9	49	25	8	17	1	16
Feb 3-9, 2010	58	8	50	27	8	19	*	15
Mar 31-Apr 6, 2009	64	8	56	21	6	15	0	15
April, 2008	65	15	50	25	7	18	*	10
July, 2007	57	12	45	29	9	20	0	14
January, 2007	72	18	54	17	3	14	2	9
July, 2006	63	7	56	27	8	19	1	9
February, 2006	60	16	44	28	10	18	*	12
Late October, 2005	62	12	50	27	10	17	*	11
July, 2005	61	12	49	28	10	18	*	11
June, 2005	57	8	49	30	8	22	*	13
July, 2001	70	15	55	20	6	14	*	10
March, 2001	72	15	57	20	5	15	*	8
January, 2001	68	18	50	21	8	13	1	10
October, 1997	77	13	64	18	6	12	*	5
May, 1997	72	16	56	22	5	17	0	6
July, 1994	80	18	62	16	3	13	*	4
May, 1993	73	17	56	18	4	14	0	9
November, 1991	72	18	54	21	5	16	0	7
May, 1990	65	10	55	25	7	18	1	9
January, 1988	79	14	65	13	2	11	*	8
May, 1987	76	13	63	17	2	15	*	7
Roper: March 1985	64	17	47	28	7	21	--	8

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED**ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**

ASK ALL:

Now, thinking about the U.S. Supreme Court...

ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=1,793]:

COURTIDEO In your view, do you think the current Supreme Court is...

	<u>Conservative</u>	<u>Middle of the road</u>	<u>Liberal</u>	<u>No answer*</u>
Jul 6-12, 2026	43	44	9	4
Aug 4-10, 2025	47	44	7	2
Jul 1-7, 2024	48	42	7	3
Jul 10-16, 2023	50	40	7	3
Aug 1-14, 2022	49	41	7	3
Jan 10-17, 2022	38	48	9	4
Jul 27-Aug 2, 2020	30	56	12	2

PHONE TREND FOR COMPARISON:

	<u>Conservative</u>	<u>Middle of the road</u>	<u>Liberal</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
Jul 23-Aug 4, 2020	32	48	13	7
Jul 14-20, 2015	18	39	36	6
Mar 25-29, 2015	28	38	26	8
Jul 8-14, 2014	27	38	26	8
Apr 23-27, 2014	25	35	31	8
Jul 17-21, 2013	23	42	26	9
Mar 13-17, 2013	22	40	24	14
Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	24	41	23	12
Jul 1-5, 2010	23	39	23	14
Apr 21-26, 2010	24	36	24	16
Jul, 2007	36	35	14	15

ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=1,761]:

COURTPOWER Do you think the U.S. Supreme Court has...

	<u>Too much power</u>	<u>Too little power</u>	<u>Right amount of power</u>	<u>No answer*</u>
Jul 6-12, 2026	32	10	56	2
Aug 4-10, 2025	32	9	57	2
Jul 1-7, 2024	42	6	50	2
Jul 10-16, 2023	40	7	51	2
Aug 1-14, 2022	45	5	48	2
Jan 10-17, 2022	30	11	58	2
Jul 27-Aug 2, 2020	25	8	65	2

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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

<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>	<u>Something</u> <u>else</u>	<u>No</u> <u>answer*</u>	<i>Lean</i> <i>Rep</i>	<i>Lean</i> <i>Dem</i>
26	28	29	14	2	17	20

¹ PARTY and PARTYLN asked in a prior survey.