

**2026 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL
Wave 200: Politics Survey
September 2026**

QUESTIONNAIRE

Note: The questions presented below are part of a larger survey conducted on the American Trends Panel. For all questions, the 98 ("don't know" in phone mode) and 99 (refusal in phone mode and no answer in web mode) codes are combined in the data for analytical purposes.

PN = Programming note

CODEBOOK FOR ATP SAMPLE VARIABLES TO BE USED IN SURVEY PROGRAMMING LOGIC

X_FORM

- 1 Form 1
- 2 Form 2

Note: Flag to randomly assign panelists to one of two forms (Form 1, Form 2) and weight within form
Source: Randomly assigned for each survey.

X_CITIZEN

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 99 Refused

Note: Flag to identify citizens filtered on CONG, PLAN1, POL10, CANDHOUSAT, ISSUECONG, and VOTE_MOTIV.

Source: Frame file variable F_CITIZEN.

X_CONGREPCAND_EN

Note: English text fill to use at CONG and CONGA for Republican candidate to be used in response 1.
Source: Politics team Excel sheet.

X_CONGDEMCAND_EN

Note: English text fill to use at CONG and CONGA for Democrat candidate to be used in response 2.
Source: Politics team Excel sheet.

X_CONGREPCAND_ES

Note: Spanish text fill to use at CONG and CONGA for Republican candidate to be used in response 1.
Source: Politics team Excel sheet.

X_CONGDEMCAND_ES

Note: Spanish text fill to use at CONG and CONGA for Democrat candidate to be used in response 2.
Source: Politics team Excel sheet.

X_HISP

- 1 Hispanic
- 2 Non-Hispanic
- 99 Refused

Note: Flag to identify ATP Hispanic panelists on HISPSIT, HISPSITFUT, TRUMP1.

Source: Frame file variable F_HISP. If F_HISP=1, X_HISP=1. Otherwise X_HISP=2.

CODEBOOK FOR GENERIC ROTATION VARIABLE TO BE USED IN SURVEY PROGRAMMING LOGIC**ROTATION_GEN**

- 1 Scale in ascending order (1-5)
- 2 Scale in descending order (5-1)

Note: Flag created by programmers to assign panelists' rotation orders for the following questions: LEADERCHAR, LEADERCHAR_DSA, REPLEAD, and DEMLEAD.

Source: Created by programmers and randomly assigned to all sampled panelists.

 -----**MAIN QUESTIONNAIRE BEGINS HERE**-----

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

BAT: AGNCYFAV

ASK ALL:

[PN: RANDOMIZE ITEMS; INCLUDE RANDOMIZATION IN DATA]

[PN: IF WEB:] What is your overall opinion of each of the following agencies and departments of the federal government?

[PN: IF CATI: [READ FOR FIRST ITEM:](#)] What is your overall opinion of each of the following agencies and departments of the federal government? First, **(INSERT ITEM)**. Is it...? [\(READ LIST\)](#)

[PN: IF CATI: [READ FOR SUBSEQUENT ITEMS:](#)] What about **(INSERT ITEM)**? [\(READ AS NECESSARY: Is your overall opinion of \(INSERT ITEM\)...](#) [\(READ LIST\)](#)

BATTERY ITEMS:

FBI **ASK IF FORM 1 (X_FORM=1):** The Federal Bureau of Investigation, the FBI **[PN: IF CATI: [\(PRONO: F-B-I\)](#)]**

NWS **ASK IF FORM 1 (X_FORM=1):** The National Weather Service

CDC **ASK IF FORM 1 (X_FORM=1):** The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the CDC **[PN: IF CATI: [\(PRONO: C-D-C\)](#)]**

FED **ASK IF FORM 1 (X_FORM=1):** The Federal Reserve

STATE **ASK IF FORM 1 (X_FORM=1):** The State Department

ICE **ASK IF FORM 1 (X_FORM=1):** Immigration and Customs Enforcement, ICE **[PN: IF CATI: [\(PRONO: ise\)](#)]**

JSTCE **ASK IF FORM 2 (X_FORM=2):** The Justice Department

IRS **ASK IF FORM 2 (X_FORM=2):** The Internal Revenue Service, the IRS **[PN: IF CATI: [\(PRONO: I-R-S\)](#)]**

USPS **ASK IF FORM 2 (X_FORM=2):** The United States Postal Service

HHS **ASK IF FORM 2 (X_FORM=2):** The Department of Health and Human Services, the HHS **[PN: IF CATI: [\(PRONO: H-H-S\)](#)]**

HMLND **ASK IF FORM 2 (X_FORM=2):** The Department of Homeland Security

NPS **ASK IF FORM 2 (X_FORM=2):** The National Park Service

RESPONSE CATEGORIES:

- 1 Very favorable
- 2 Somewhat favorable
- 3 Somewhat unfavorable
- 4 Very unfavorable

[PN: INSERT A LINE OF SPACE]

5 **[PN: IF WEB:]** Not sure **[PN: IF CATI:]** Or are you not sure?

99 **[PN: IF WEB:]** Web blank / **[PN: IF CATI:]** [\(DO NOT READ\)](#) Refused

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED
