

2026 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL
Wave 194: Politics Survey
May 26-June 1, 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_GENDER

- 1 A man
- 2 A woman
- 3 In some other way
- 99 Refused

Note: Flag to identify gender for OCGEN.

Source: Frame file variable F_GENDER_ORIG. Same codes as F_GENDER_ORIG.

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

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED**ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE****QUE: PARTYLN****ASK IF INDEP, SOMETHING ELSE, DK, OR REFUSED (PARTY=3,4,98,99):**

As of today, do you lean more to...

[PN: IF CATI:] (READ LIST)

- 1 The Republican Party
- 2 The Democratic Party
- 98 **[PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ)** Don't know
- 99 **[PN: IF WEB:]** Web blank / **[PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ)** Refused

QUE: PARTYSTR**ASK IF REPUBLICAN OR DEMOCRAT (PARTY=1,2):**Do you identify with the **[PN: IF PARTY=1 INSERT "Republican"; IF PARTY=2 INSERT "Democratic"]** Party...**[PN: IF CATI:] (READ LIST)**

- 1 Strongly
- 2 Not strongly
- 98 **[PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ)** Don't know
- 99 **[PN: IF WEB:]** Web blank / **[PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ)** Refused

QUE: PARTYLNCLOSE**ASK IF LEAN TOWARD A PARTY (PARTYLN=1,2):****[PN: ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-5/5-1, HOLDING 98 AND 99 LAST; INCLUDE ROTATION IN DATA FILE]**And how close would you say you feel to the **[PN: IF PARTYLN=1 INSERT "Republican"; IF PARTYLN=2 INSERT "Democratic"]** Party?**[PN: IF CATI:] (READ LIST)**

- 1 Extremely close
- 2 Very close
- 3 Somewhat close
- 4 Not too close
- 5 Not at all close
- 98 **[PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ)** Don't know
- 99 **[PN: IF WEB:]** Web blank / **[PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ)** Refused

BAT: IDENTITYREP**ASK IF REPUBLICAN (PARTY=1):**

[PN: RANDOMIZE ITEMS; INCLUDE RANDOMIZATION IN DATA FILE]

[PN: IF WEB:] How much of a reason is each of the following for why you are a Republican?[PN: IF CATI: **READ FOR FIRST ITEM:**] How much of a reason is each of the following for why you are a Republican? First, **(INSERT ITEM)**. Is this a **(READ LIST)**?[PN: IF CATI: **READ FOR SUBSEQUENT ITEMS:**] Next, **(INSERT ITEM)**.
(READ AS NECESSARY: How much is this a reason for why you are a Republican? **(READ LIST))****BATTERY ITEMS:**

- a [PN: IF WEB:] I think the Republican Party's policies are good for the country [PN: IF CATI:] You think the Republican Party's policies are good for the country
- b [PN: IF WEB:] I think the Democratic Party's policies are harmful to the country [PN: IF CATI:] You think the Democratic Party's policies are harmful to the country
- c [PN: IF WEB:] I have a lot in common with people who are Republicans [PN: IF CATI:] You have a lot in common with people who are Republicans
- [PN: NO ITEMS D, E]
- f [PN: IF WEB:] Most of my friends and family are Republicans [PN: IF CATI:] Most of your friends and family are Republicans
- g [PN: IF WEB:] I feel like the Republican Party sticks up for people like me [PN: IF CATI:] You feel like the Republican Party sticks up for people like you

RESPONSE CATEGORIES:

- 1 Major reason
- 2 Minor reason
- 3 Not a reason
- 98 [PN: IF CATI:] **(DO NOT READ)** Don't know
- 99 [PN: IF WEB:] Web blank / [PN: IF CATI:] **(DO NOT READ)** Refused

BAT: IDENTITYDEM**ASK IF DEMOCRAT (PARTY=2):**

[PN: RANDOMIZE ITEMS; INCLUDE RANDOMIZATION IN DATA FILE]

[PN: IF WEB:] How much of a reason is each of the following for why you are a Democrat?

[PN: IF CATI: READ FOR FIRST ITEM:] How much of a reason is each of the following for why you are a Democrat? First, **(INSERT ITEM)**. Is this a **(READ LIST)**?

[PN: IF CATI: READ FOR SUBSEQUENT ITEMS:] Next, **(INSERT ITEM)**.
(READ AS NECESSARY: How much is this a reason for why you are a Democrat? (READ LIST))

BATTERY ITEMS:

- a **[PN: IF WEB:]** I think the Democratic Party's policies are good for the country **[PN: IF CATI:]** You think the Democratic Party's policies are good for the country
- b **[PN: IF WEB:]** I think the Republican Party's policies are harmful to the country **[PN: IF CATI:]** You think the Republican Party's policies are harmful to the country
- c **[PN: IF WEB:]** I have a lot in common with people who are Democrats **[PN: IF CATI:]** You have a lot in common with people who are Democrats
- [PN: NO ITEMS D, E]**
- f **[PN: IF WEB:]** Most of my friends and family are Democrats **[PN: IF CATI:]** Most of your friends and family are Democrats
- g **[PN: IF WEB:]** I feel like the Democratic Party sticks up for people like me **[PN: IF CATI:]** You feel like the Democratic Party sticks up for people like you

RESPONSE CATEGORIES:

- 1 Major reason
- 2 Minor reason
- 3 Not a reason
- 98 **[PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ)** Don't know
- 99 **[PN: IF WEB:]** Web blank / **[PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ)** Refused

BAT: IDENTITYLN1R**ASK IF LEAN REPUBLICAN (PARTYLN=1):****[PN: RANDOMIZE ITEMS; INCLUDE RANDOMIZATION IN DATA FILE]**

[PN: IF WEB:] How much of a reason is each of the following for why you lean toward the Republican Party?

[PN: IF CATI: READ FOR FIRST ITEM:] How much of a reason is each of the following for why you lean toward the Republican Party? First, **(INSERT ITEM)**. Is this a **(READ LIST)**?

[PN: IF CATI: READ FOR SUBSEQUENT ITEMS:] Next, **(INSERT ITEM)**.
(READ AS NECESSARY:) How much is this a reason for why you lean toward the Republican Party? **(READ LIST)**

BATTERY ITEMS:

- a **[PN: IF WEB:]** I think the Republican Party's policies are good for the country **[PN: IF CATI:]** You think the Republican Party's policies are good for the country
 - b **[PN: IF WEB:]** I think the Democratic Party's policies are harmful to the country **[PN: IF CATI:]** You think the Democratic Party's policies are harmful to the country
 - c **[PN: IF WEB:]** I have a lot in common with people who are Republicans **[PN: IF CATI:]** You have a lot in common with people who are Republicans
- [PN: NO ITEMS D, E, F]**
- g **[PN: IF WEB:]** I feel like the Republican Party sticks up for people like me **[PN: IF CATI:]** You feel like the Republican Party sticks up for people like you

RESPONSE CATEGORIES:

- 1 Major reason
- 2 Minor reason
- 3 Not a reason
- 98 **[PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ)** Don't know
- 99 **[PN: IF WEB:]** Web blank / **[PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ)** Refused

BAT: IDENTITYLN2R**ASK IF LEAN REPUBLICAN (PARTYLN=1):****[PN: RANDOMIZE ITEMS; INCLUDE RANDOMIZATION IN DATA FILE]**

[PN: IF WEB:] And thinking about why you lean toward the Republican Party but choose not to identify as a Republican. How much of a reason is each of the following for why you do not identify as a Republican?

[PN: IF CATI: READ FOR FIRST ITEM:] And thinking about why you lean toward the Republican Party but choose not to identify as a Republican. How much of a reason is each of the following for why you do not identify as a Republican? First, **(INSERT ITEM)**. Is this a **(READ LIST)**?

[PN: IF CATI: READ FOR SUBSEQUENT ITEMS:] Next, **(INSERT ITEM)**. **(READ AS NECESSARY:)** How much is this a reason for why you do not identify as a Republican? **(READ LIST)**

BATTERY ITEMS:

- a **[PN: IF WEB:]** I disagree with the Republican Party on some important issues **[PN: IF CATI:]** You disagree with the Republican Party on some important issues
- b **[PN: IF WEB:]** I'm frustrated with the Republican Party's leaders **[PN: IF CATI:]** You're frustrated with the Republican Party's leaders
- c **[PN: IF WEB:]** I don't care enough about politics to identify with a party **[PN: IF CATI:]** You don't care enough about politics to identify with a party
- [PN: NO ITEM D]**
- e **[PN: IF WEB:]** I don't like putting a label on my political views **[PN: IF CATI:]** You don't like putting a label on your political views

RESPONSE CATEGORIES:

- 1 Major reason
- 2 Minor reason
- 3 Not a reason
- 98 **[PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ)** Don't know
- 99 **[PN: IF WEB:]** Web blank / **[PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ)** Refused

BAT: IDENTITYLN1D**ASK IF LEAN DEMOCRAT(PARTYLN=2):**

[PN: RANDOMIZE ITEMS; INCLUDE RANDOMIZATION IN DATA FILE]

[PN: IF WEB:] How much of a reason is each of the following for why you lean toward the Democratic Party?

[PN: IF CATI: READ FOR FIRST ITEM:] How much of a reason is each of the following for why you lean toward the Democratic Party? First, **(INSERT ITEM)**. Is this a **(READ LIST)**?

[PN: IF CATI: READ FOR SUBSEQUENT ITEMS:] Next, **(INSERT ITEM)**.
(READ AS NECESSARY:) How much is this a reason for why you lean toward the Democratic Party? **(READ LIST)**

BATTERY ITEMS:

- a **[PN: IF WEB:]** I think the Democratic Party's policies are good for the country **[PN: IF CATI:]** You think the Democratic Party's policies are good for the country
 - b **[PN: IF WEB:]** I think the Republican Party's policies are harmful to the country **[PN: IF CATI:]** You think the Republican Party's policies are harmful to the country
 - c **[PN: IF WEB:]** I have a lot in common with people who are Democrats **[PN: IF CATI:]** You have a lot in common with people who are Democrats
- [PN: NO ITEMS D, E, F]**
- g **[PN: IF WEB:]** I feel like the Democratic Party sticks up for people like me **[PN: IF CATI:]** You feel like the Democratic Party sticks up for people like you

RESPONSE CATEGORIES:

- 1 Major reason
- 2 Minor reason
- 3 Not a reason
- 98 **[PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ)** Don't know
- 99 **[PN: IF WEB:]** Web blank / **[PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ)** Refused

BAT: IDENTITYLN2D**ASK IF LEAN DEMOCRAT(PARTYLN=2):****[PN: RANDOMIZE ITEMS; INCLUDE RANDOMIZATION IN DATA FILE]**

[PN: IF WEB:] And thinking about why you lean toward the Democratic Party but choose not to identify as a Democrat. How much of a reason is each of the following for why you do not identify as a Democrat?

[PN: IF CATI: READ FOR FIRST ITEM:] And thinking about why you lean toward the Democratic Party but choose not to identify as a Democrat. How much of a reason is each of the following for why you do not identify as a Democrat? First, **(INSERT ITEM)**. Is this a **(READ LIST)**?

[PN: IF CATI: READ FOR SUBSEQUENT ITEMS:] Next, **(INSERT ITEM)**. **(READ AS NECESSARY:)** How much is this a reason for why you do not identify as a Democrat? **(READ LIST)**

BATTERY ITEMS:

- a **[PN: IF WEB:]** I disagree with the Democratic Party on some important issues **[PN: IF CATI:]** You disagree with the Democratic Party on some important issues
- b **[PN: IF WEB:]** I'm frustrated with the Democratic Party's leaders **[PN: IF CATI:]** You're frustrated with the Democratic Party's leaders
- c **[PN: IF WEB:]** I don't care enough about politics to identify with a party **[PN: IF CATI:]** You don't care enough about politics to identify with a party
- [PN: NO ITEM D]**
- e **[PN: IF WEB:]** I don't like putting a label on my political views **[PN: IF CATI:]** You don't like putting a label on your political views

RESPONSE CATEGORIES:

- 1 Major reason
- 2 Minor reason
- 3 Not a reason
- 98 **[PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ)** Don't know
- 99 **[PN: IF WEB:]** Web blank / **[PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ)** Refused