# The Economist/YouGov Poll 

## Weekly Tracking

For immediate release

## 1. Presidential Job Approval - Historical

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as President?

|  | All Adults |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total Approve | Total Disapprove | Strongly <br> Approve | Somewhat Approve | Somewhat Disapprove | Strongly Disapprove | Not Sure |
| December 12, 2020 | 42\% | 53\% | 26\% | 16\% | 9\% | 44\% | 5\% |
| December 5, 2020 | 40\% | 52\% | 26\% | 14\% | 9\% | 43\% | 8\% |
| November 21, 2020 | 44\% | 55\% | 31\% | 12\% | 8\% | 47\% | 1\% |
| November 14, 2020 | 43\% | 52\% | 32\% | 11\% | 6\% | 45\% | 5\% |
| November 7, 2020 | 46\% | 52\% | 32\% | 14\% | 6\% | 45\% | 2\% |
| October 31, 2020 | 45\% | 54\% | 32\% | 13\% | 5\% | 49\% | 1\% |
| October 24, 2020 | 42\% | 57\% | 31\% | 11\% | 7\% | 50\% | 1\% |
| October 17, 2020 | 45\% | 53\% | 30\% | 15\% | 6\% | 47\% | 2\% |
| October 10, 2020 | 42\% | 57\% | 26\% | 16\% | 8\% | 49\% | 1\% |
| December 7, 2019 | 42\% | 49\% | 25\% | 17\% | 9\% | 40\% | 9\% |
|  | Registered Voters |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Total Approve | Total Disapprove | Strongly <br> Approve | Somewhat Approve | Somewhat Disapprove | Strongly Disapprove | Not Sure |
| December 12, 2020 | 44\% | 53\% | 30\% | 14\% | 6\% | 47\% | 3\% |
| December 5, 2020 | 45\% | 52\% | 33\% | 12\% | 5\% | 48\% | 3\% |
| November 21, 2020 | 44\% | 55\% | 31\% | 12\% | 8\% | 47\% | 1\% |
| November 14, 2020 | 43\% | 52\% | 32\% | 11\% | 6\% | 45\% | 5\% |
| November 7, 2020 | 46\% | 52\% | 32\% | 14\% | 6\% | 45\% | 2\% |
| October 31, 2020 | 45\% | 54\% | 32\% | 13\% | 5\% | 49\% | 1\% |
| October 24, 2020 | 42\% | 57\% | 31\% | 11\% | 7\% | 50\% | 1\% |
| October 17, 2020 | 45\% | 53\% | 30\% | 15\% | 6\% | 47\% | 2\% |
| October 10, 2020 | 42\% | 57\% | 26\% | 16\% | 8\% | 49\% | 1\% |
| December 7, 2019 | 44\% | 53\% | 29\% | 15\% | 7\% | 46\% | 3\% |

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Figure 2: Trump Approval - Registered Voters

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Presidential Job Approval
"Do you approve or disapprove of the way
[President Name] is handling his job as President?"


Figure 3: Presidential Approval since 2009 - All Adults

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[President Name] is handling his job as President?"


Figure 4: Presidential Approval since 2009 - Registered Voters

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## 2. President Trump Job Approval - This Week - All Adults

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as President?

|  | Total | Age |  |  |  | Race |  |  |  | Census Region |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Under 30 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | White | Black | Hispanic | Other | Northeast | Midwest | South | West |
| Strongly approve | 26\% | 17\% | 15\% | 29\% | 39\% | 31\% | 7\% | 23\% | 11\% | 24\% | 30\% | 25\% | 23\% |
| Somewhat approve | 16\% | 17\% | 17\% | 18\% | 12\% | 19\% | 6\% | 13\% | 17\% | 10\% | 15\% | 20\% | 18\% |
| Somewhat disapprove | 9\% | 14\% | 12\% | 5\% | 6\% | 7\% | 17\% | 12\% | 9\% | 10\% | 5\% | 10\% | 10\% |
| Strongly disapprove | 44\% | 41\% | 46\% | 46\% | 41\% | 40\% | 62\% | 43\% | 55\% | 50\% | 45\% | 41\% | 43\% |
| Not sure | 5\% | 11\% | 9\% | 2\% | 1\% | 4\% | 7\% | 10\% | 7\% | 7\% | 4\% | 5\% | 6\% |
| Totals | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% |
| (Unweighted N) | (1500) | (310) | (278) | (558) | (354) | (1000) | (192) | (169) | (139) | (265) | (302) | (578) | (355) |


|  | Total | Party ID |  |  | Ideology |  |  | Gender |  | Family Income |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Dem | Ind | Rep | Lib | Mod | Con | Male | Female | Under \$50K | \$50-100K | \$100K or more |
| Strongly approve | 26\% | 3\% | 20\% | 62\% | 2\% | 16\% | 59\% | 29\% | 22\% | 24\% | 27\% | 28\% |
| Somewhat approve | 16\% | 4\% | 18\% | 28\% | 6\% | 19\% | 22\% | 18\% | 15\% | 17\% | 16\% | 14\% |
| Somewhat disapprove | 9\% | 8\% | 12\% | 4\% | 7\% | 11\% | 8\% | 9\% | 9\% | 9\% | 10\% | 10\% |
| Strongly disapprove | 44\% | 84\% | 40\% | 4\% | 82\% | 46\% | 9\% | 38\% | 50\% | 44\% | 45\% | 43\% |
| Not sure | 5\% | 1\% | 10\% | 2\% | 3\% | 9\% | 3\% | 6\% | 4\% | 6\% | 2\% | 5\% |
| Totals | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% |
| (Unweighted N) | (1500) | (535) | (601) | (364) | (464) | (597) | (439) | (695) | (805) | (692) | (383) | (225) |

## 3. Approval of U.S. Congress - Historical

Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way that the United States Congress is handling its job?
All Adults

|  | Total Approve | Total Disapprove | Strongly Approve | Somewhat Approve | Neutral | Somewhat Disapprove | Strongly Disapprove | Not Sure |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| December 12, 2020 | 13\% | 59\% | 4\% | 9\% | 16\% | 24\% | 35\% | 11\% |
| December 5, 2020 | 13\% | 58\% | 4\% | 9\% | 18\% | 22\% | 37\% | 11\% |
| November 21, 2020 | 13\% | 69\% | 4\% | 9\% | 14\% | 25\% | 44\% | 5\% |
| November 14, 2020 | 15\% | 62\% | 4\% | 11\% | 13\% | 24\% | 38\% | 9\% |
| November 7, 2020 | 15\% | 63\% | 4\% | 10\% | 15\% | 28\% | 35\% | 8\% |
| October 31, 2020 | 16\% | 64\% | 5\% | 11\% | 15\% | 23\% | 40\% | 6\% |
| October 24, 2020 | 15\% | 66\% | 4\% | 11\% | 14\% | 26\% | 40\% | 5\% |
| October 17, 2020 | 14\% | 64\% | 4\% | 10\% | 16\% | 28\% | 36\% | 6\% |
| October 10, 2020 | 13\% | 62\% | 2\% | 11\% | 17\% | 30\% | 33\% | 8\% |
| December 7, 2019 | 16\% | 54\% | 6\% | 10\% | 15\% | 20\% | 34\% | 15\% |
|  | Registered Voters |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Total Approve | Total Disapprove | Strongly <br> Approve | Somewhat Approve | Neutral | Somewhat <br> Disapprove | Strongly <br> Disapprove | Not <br> Sure |
| December 12, 2020 | 12\% | 67\% | 4\% | 7\% | 15\% | 26\% | 41\% | 7\% |
| December 5, 2020 | 13\% | 68\% | 4\% | 9\% | 15\% | 24\% | 44\% | 4\% |
| November 21, 2020 | 13\% | 69\% | 4\% | 9\% | 14\% | 25\% | 44\% | 5\% |
| November 14, 2020 | 15\% | 62\% | 4\% | 11\% | 13\% | 24\% | 38\% | 9\% |
| November 7, 2020 | 15\% | 63\% | 4\% | 10\% | 15\% | 28\% | 35\% | 8\% |
| October 31, 2020 | 16\% | 64\% | 5\% | 11\% | 15\% | 23\% | 40\% | 6\% |
| October 24, 2020 | 15\% | 66\% | 4\% | 11\% | 14\% | 26\% | 40\% | 5\% |
| October 17, 2020 | 14\% | 64\% | 4\% | 10\% | 16\% | 28\% | 36\% | 6\% |
| October 10, 2020 | 13\% | 62\% | 2\% | 11\% | 17\% | 30\% | 33\% | 8\% |
| December 7, 2019 | 17\% | 61\% | 6\% | 11\% | 13\% | 23\% | 38\% | 9\% |

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## Congressional Job Approval

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Figure 6: Congressional Approval - Registered Voters

## 4. Approval of U.S. Congress - This Week - All Adults

Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way that the United States Congress is handling its job?

|  | Total | Age |  |  |  | Race |  |  |  | Census Region |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Under 30 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | White | Black | Hispanic | Other | Northeast | Midwest | South | West |
| Strongly approve | 4\% | 8\% | 4\% | 3\% | 2\% | 2\% | 6\% | 12\% | 3\% | 4\% | 3\% | 3\% | 7\% |
| Somewhat approve | 9\% | 9\% | 13\% | 8\% | 8\% | 8\% | 8\% | 18\% | 7\% | 7\% | 9\% | 8\% | 13\% |
| Neither approve nor disapprove | 16\% | 19\% | 16\% | 14\% | 17\% | 15\% | 19\% | 15\% | 21\% | 18\% | 15\% | 17\% | 13\% |
| Somewhat disapprove | 24\% | 20\% | 18\% | 29\% | 26\% | 27\% | 22\% | 13\% | 19\% | 24\% | 31\% | 23\% | 18\% |
| Strongly disapprove | 35\% | 21\% | 34\% | 41\% | 42\% | 39\% | 28\% | 23\% | 37\% | 35\% | 29\% | 38\% | 37\% |
| Not sure | 11\% | 23\% | 15\% | 6\% | 5\% | 9\% | 17\% | 19\% | 13\% | 12\% | 12\% | 10\% | 12\% |
| Totals | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% |
| (Unweighted N) | (1495) | (308) | (276) | (557) | (354) | (999) | (189) | (169) | (138) | (264) | (302) | (576) | (353) |


|  | Total | Party ID |  |  | Ideology |  |  | Gender |  | Family Income |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Dem | Ind | Rep | Lib | Mod | Con | Male | Female | Under \$50K | \$50-100K | \$100K or more |
| Strongly approve | 4\% | 8\% | 2\% | 3\% | 6\% | 3\% | 4\% | 5\% | 3\% | 4\% | 5\% | 2\% |
| Somewhat approve | 9\% | 12\% | 10\% | 6\% | 11\% | 10\% | 7\% | 11\% | 8\% | 10\% | 10\% | 9\% |
| Neither approve nor disapprove | 16\% | 16\% | 15\% | 18\% | 14\% | 14\% | 20\% | 11\% | 20\% | 17\% | 15\% | 19\% |
| Somewhat disapprove | 24\% | 25\% | 20\% | 30\% | 23\% | 23\% | 25\% | 21\% | 26\% | 23\% | 23\% | 26\% |
| Strongly disapprove | 35\% | 33\% | 38\% | 34\% | 39\% | 32\% | 37\% | 43\% | 28\% | 32\% | 42\% | 38\% |
| Not sure | 11\% | 7\% | 16\% | 9\% | 7\% | 18\% | 7\% | 8\% | 14\% | 13\% | 5\% | 5\% |
| Totals | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% |
| (Unweighted N) | (1495) | (533) | (599) | (363) | (463) | (593) | (439) | (693) | (802) | (690) | (382) | (225) |

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## 5. Direction of Country - Historical

Would you say things in this country today are...

|  | All Adults |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Right <br> Direction | Wrong <br> Track | Not <br> Sure |
| December 12, 2020 | $18 \%$ | $64 \%$ | $18 \%$ |
| December 5, 2020 | $20 \%$ | $64 \%$ | $17 \%$ |
| November 21, 2020 | $20 \%$ | $70 \%$ | $11 \%$ |
| November 14, 2020 | $23 \%$ | $64 \%$ | $13 \%$ |
| November 7, 2020 | $22 \%$ | $64 \%$ | $14 \%$ |
| October 31, 2020 | $29 \%$ | $63 \%$ | $8 \%$ |
| October 24, 2020 | $29 \%$ | $65 \%$ | $6 \%$ |
| October 17, 2020 | $27 \%$ | $65 \%$ | $8 \%$ |
| October 10, 2020 | $27 \%$ | $65 \%$ | $8 \%$ |
| December 7, 2019 | $36 \%$ | $53 \%$ | $12 \%$ |


|  | Registered Voters |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Right | Wrong | Not |
| Direction | Track | Sure |  |
| December 12, 2020 | $20 \%$ | $65 \%$ | $15 \%$ |
| December 5, 2020 | $20 \%$ | $67 \%$ | $12 \%$ |
| November 21, 2020 | $20 \%$ | $70 \%$ | $11 \%$ |
| November 14, 2020 | $23 \%$ | $64 \%$ | $13 \%$ |
| November 7, 2020 | $22 \%$ | $64 \%$ | $14 \%$ |
| October 31, 2020 | $29 \%$ | $63 \%$ | $8 \%$ |
| October 24, 2020 | $29 \%$ | $65 \%$ | $6 \%$ |
| October 17, 2020 | $27 \%$ | $65 \%$ | $8 \%$ |
| October 10, 2020 | $27 \%$ | $65 \%$ | $8 \%$ |
| December 7, 2019 | $37 \%$ | $56 \%$ | $7 \%$ |

## Direction of Country

"Would you say things in this country today are..."


Direction of Country
"Would you say things in this country today are..."


Figure 8: Direction of Country - Registered Voters

## 6. Direction of Country - This Week - All Adults

Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way that the United States Congress is handling its job?

|  |  | Age |  |  |  | Race |  |  |  | Census Region |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total | Under 30 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | White | Black | Hispanic | Other | Northeast | Midwest | South | West |
| Generally headed in the right direction Off on the | 18\% | 16\% | 21\% | 19\% | 16\% | 17\% | 17\% | 25\% | 19\% | 19\% | 18\% | 16\% | 21\% |
| wrong track | 64\% | 56\% | 64\% | 65\% | 69\% | 66\% | 71\% | 48\% | 59\% | 61\% | 65\% | 64\% | 63\% |
| Not sure | 18\% | 28\% | 15\% | 16\% | 15\% | 17\% | 12\% | 27\% | 23\% | 20\% | 16\% | 19\% | 16\% |
| Totals | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% |
| (Unweighted N) | (1500) | (310) | (278) | (558) | (354) | (1000) | (192) | (169) | (139) | (265) | (302) | (578) | (355) |


|  | Total | Party ID |  |  | Ideology |  |  | Gender |  | Family Income |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Dem | Ind | Rep | Lib | Mod | Con | Male | Female | Under \$50K | \$50-100K | \$100K or more |
| Generally headed in the right direction Off on the | 18\% | 20\% | 11\% | 29\% | 14\% | 16\% | 25\% | 22\% | 15\% | 18\% | 20\% | 20\% |
| wrong track | 64\% | 71\% | 64\% | 55\% | 73\% | 61\% | 58\% | 61\% | 66\% | 63\% | 67\% | 65\% |
| Not sure | 18\% | 10\% | 25\% | 16\% | 12\% | 23\% | 17\% | 17\% | 19\% | 18\% | 14\% | 15\% |
| Totals | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% |
| (Unweighted N) | (1500) | (535) | (601) | (364) | (464) | (597) | (439) | (695) | (805) | (692) | (383) | (225) |

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| Sponsorship: | The Economist |
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| Target population: | U.S. citizens, aged 18 and over. <br> Interviewing Dates: <br> December $13-15,2020$ |
| Sampling method: | Respondents were selected from YouGov's opt-in Internet panel using sample matching. <br> A random sample (stratified by age, gender, race, education, and region) was selected <br> from the 2014 American Community Study. Voter registration was imputed from the |
|  | November 2014 Current Population Survey Registration and Voting Supplement. |

