

Interviewing: October 4 - 6, 2020
Sample: 1500 registered voters nationwide online



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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?

	Registered Voters						
	Total Approve	Total Disapprove	Strongly Approve	Somewhat Approve	Somewhat Disapprove	Strongly Disapprove	Not Sure
October 3, 2020	42%	56%	29%	13%	7%	49%	2%
September 26, 2020	44%	55%	25%	18%	8%	47%	2%
September 19, 2020	43%	55%	27%	16%	9%	46%	2%
September 12, 2020	45%	53%	26%	19%	8%	45%	2%
September 5, 2020	42%	56%	28%	15%	12%	44%	2%
August 29, 2020	44%	55%	27%	16%	8%	47%	1%
August 22, 2020	45%	54%	27%	18%	10%	43%	1%
August 15, 2020	43%	55%	26%	17%	9%	45%	2%
August 8, 2020	44%	54%	26%	18%	10%	44%	2%
October 5, 2019	46%	52%	28%	18%	8%	44%	2%

Presidential Job Approval

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

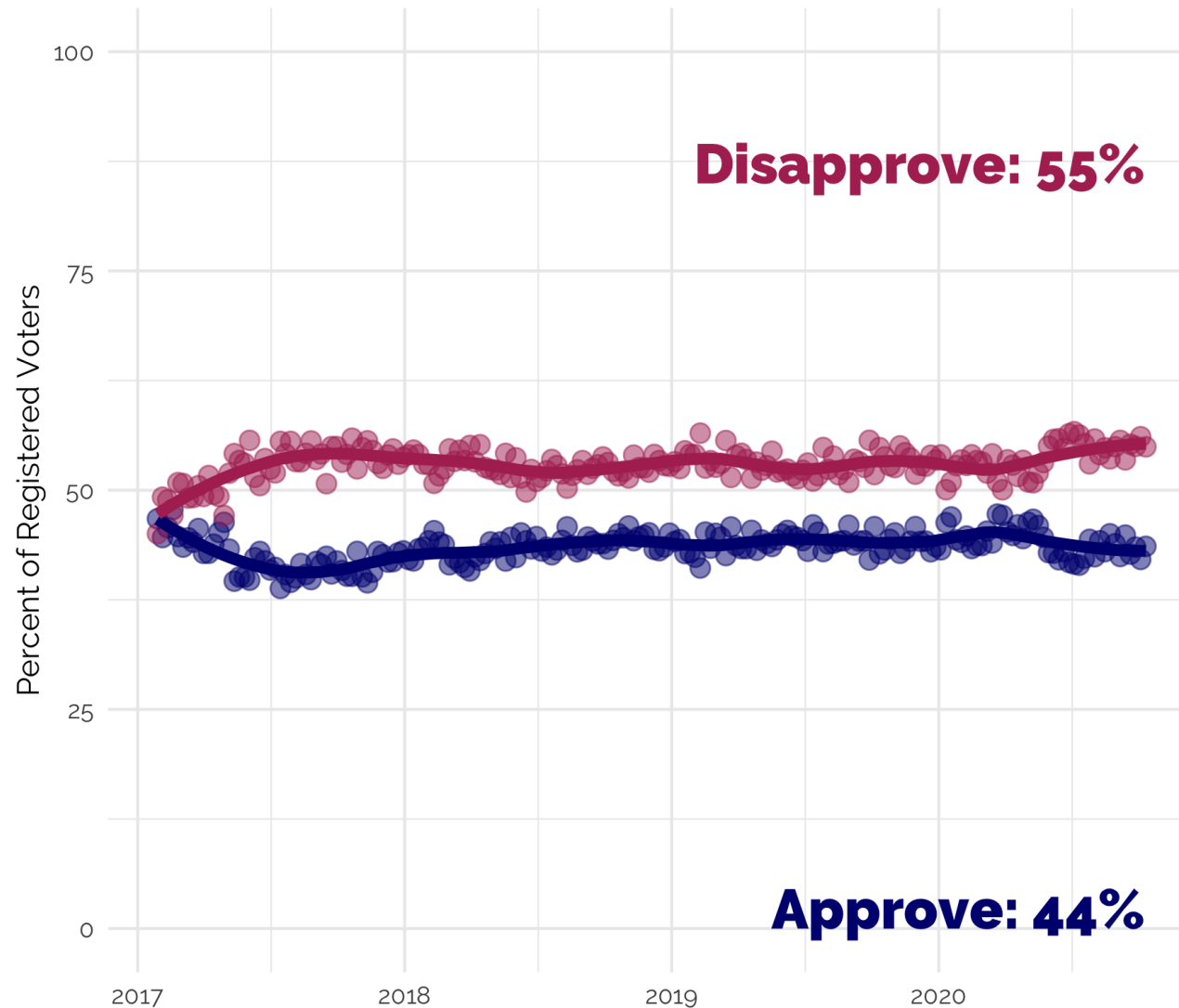


Figure 1: Trump Approval – Registered Voters

Presidential Job Approval

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

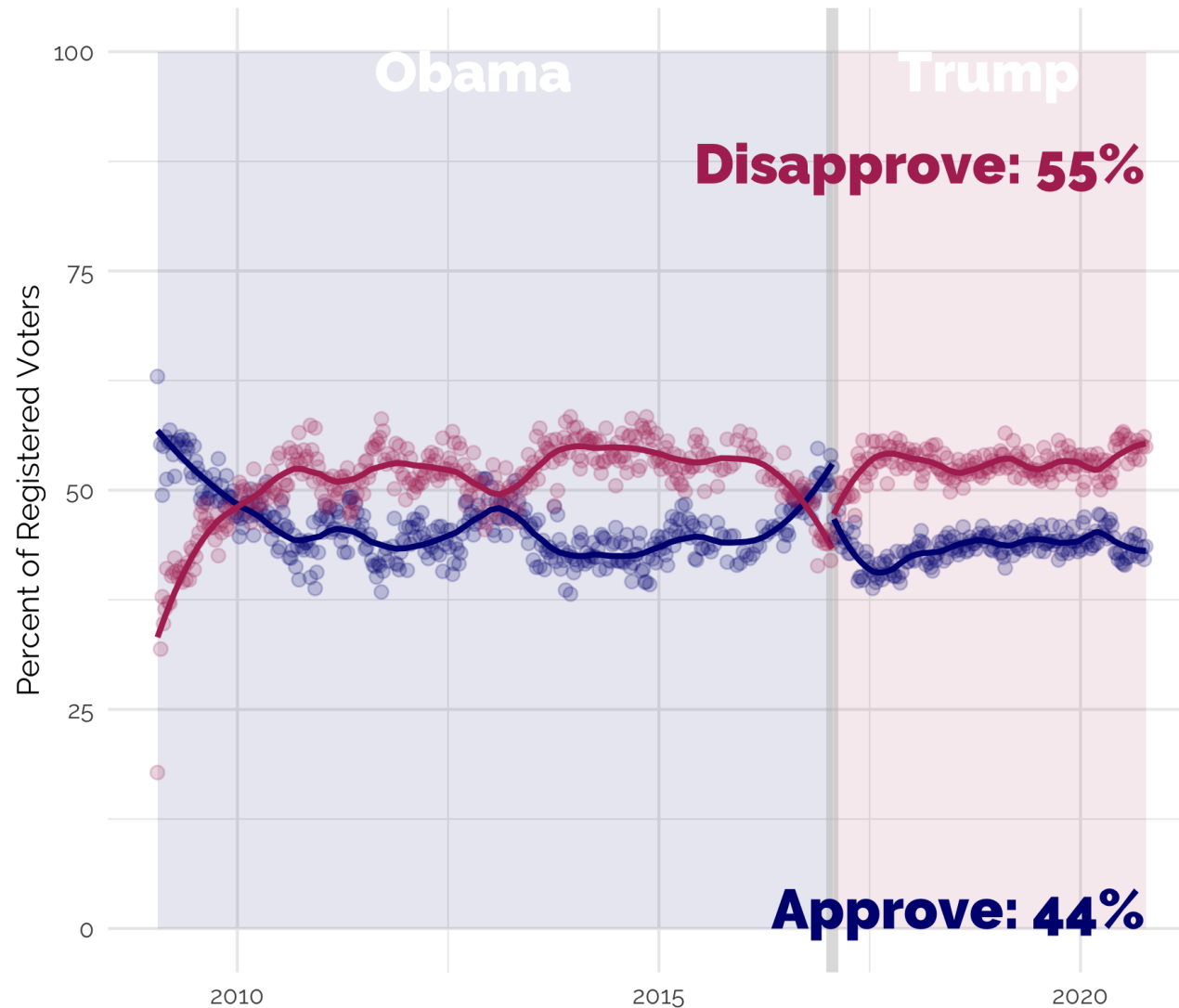


Figure 2: Presidential Approval since 2009 – Registered Voters

2. President Trump Job Approval – This Week – Registered Voters

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

	Age					Race				Census Region			
	Total	Under 30	30–44	45–64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Strongly approve	29%	10%	17%	34%	39%	34%	3%	24%	32%	21%	27%	35%	27%
Somewhat approve	13%	14%	12%	15%	11%	14%	6%	10%	20%	18%	19%	9%	11%
Somewhat disapprove	7%	8%	13%	5%	6%	7%	6%	9%	4%	4%	6%	7%	10%
Strongly disapprove	49%	66%	56%	44%	43%	43%	83%	53%	45%	57%	45%	46%	52%
Not sure	2%	3%	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%	5%	0%	1%	2%	3%	1%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(98)	(206)	(747)	(449)	(1249)	(93)	(62)	(96)	(239)	(331)	(546)	(384)

	Party ID				Ideology			Gender		Family Income		
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Lib	Mod	Con	Male	Female	Under \$50K	\$50–100K	\$100K or more
Strongly approve	29%	1%	28%	70%	2%	15%	68%	33%	25%	26%	32%	28%
Somewhat approve	13%	2%	18%	23%	2%	15%	21%	12%	14%	13%	15%	14%
Somewhat disapprove	7%	6%	11%	3%	4%	13%	3%	5%	9%	9%	5%	5%
Strongly disapprove	49%	91%	39%	3%	93%	53%	7%	48%	50%	51%	48%	53%
Not sure	2%	0%	4%	1%	0%	5%	0%	2%	1%	2%	0%	0%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(562)	(528)	(410)	(496)	(485)	(519)	(660)	(840)	(473)	(504)	(358)

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?

	Registered Voters							
	Total Approve	Total Disapprove	Strongly Approve	Somewhat Approve	Neutral	Somewhat Disapprove	Strongly Disapprove	Not Sure
October 3, 2020	15%	60%	6%	9%	16%	22%	37%	9%
September 26, 2020	15%	60%	3%	12%	15%	27%	34%	9%
September 19, 2020	16%	61%	3%	13%	17%	26%	34%	7%
September 12, 2020	12%	60%	2%	10%	17%	26%	35%	10%
September 5, 2020	17%	55%	5%	12%	21%	23%	31%	7%
August 29, 2020	15%	59%	3%	12%	17%	27%	32%	9%
August 22, 2020	20%	55%	4%	15%	16%	24%	31%	10%
August 15, 2020	20%	57%	5%	15%	15%	25%	32%	8%
August 8, 2020	20%	56%	6%	15%	18%	26%	30%	6%
October 5, 2019	16%	61%	5%	11%	15%	23%	39%	8%

Congressional Job Approval

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

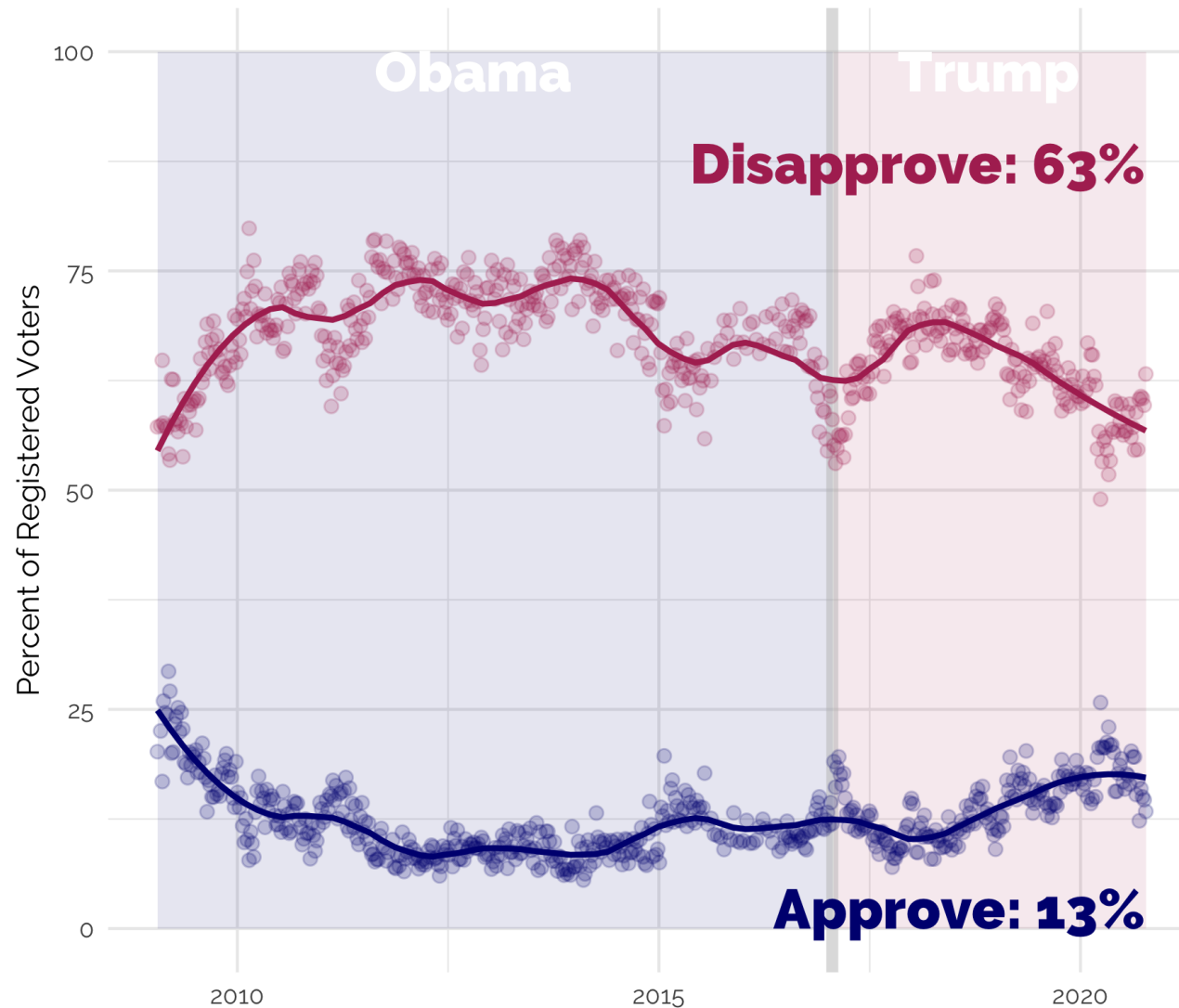


Figure 3: Congressional Approval – Registered Voters

4. Approval of U.S. Congress – This Week – Registered Voters

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	North–east	Mid–west	South	West
Strongly approve	6%	2%	9%	6%	5%	4%	6%	15%	9%	3%	6%	5%	10%
Somewhat approve	9%	2%	8%	9%	11%	8%	9%	10%	12%	8%	9%	9%	8%
Neither approve nor disapprove	16%	13%	22%	15%	16%	15%	31%	16%	6%	14%	19%	15%	18%
Somewhat disapprove	22%	17%	17%	27%	22%	24%	15%	23%	21%	20%	24%	24%	20%
Strongly disapprove	37%	40%	37%	34%	41%	40%	30%	19%	49%	42%	29%	39%	37%
Not sure	9%	25%	8%	8%	5%	9%	8%	16%	3%	13%	13%	7%	7%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1498)	(97)	(206)	(746)	(449)	(1248)	(93)	(62)	(95)	(239)	(330)	(546)	(383)

	Total	Party ID			Ideology			Gender		Family Income		
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Lib	Mod	Con	Male	Female	Under \$50K	\$50–100K	\$100K or more
Strongly approve	6%	8%	3%	7%	11%	5%	3%	7%	5%	6%	4%	8%
Somewhat approve	9%	8%	7%	13%	6%	8%	12%	7%	10%	7%	12%	6%
Neither approve nor disapprove	16%	19%	17%	12%	15%	22%	11%	10%	22%	20%	14%	13%
Somewhat disapprove	22%	20%	22%	26%	21%	16%	31%	25%	20%	19%	28%	25%
Strongly disapprove	37%	38%	38%	35%	40%	34%	38%	46%	29%	34%	35%	45%
Not sure	9%	8%	13%	7%	6%	16%	5%	5%	13%	15%	5%	2%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1498)	(562)	(527)	(409)	(495)	(485)	(518)	(660)	(838)	(472)	(504)	(357)

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5. Direction of Country – Historical

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

	Registered Voters		
	Right Direction	Wrong Track	Not Sure
October 3, 2020	26%	66%	8%
September 26, 2020	26%	65%	9%
September 19, 2020	24%	66%	10%
September 12, 2020	22%	70%	8%
September 5, 2020	28%	63%	9%
August 29, 2020	25%	67%	8%
August 22, 2020	27%	64%	8%
August 15, 2020	25%	67%	8%
August 8, 2020	26%	67%	8%
October 5, 2019	36%	55%	8%

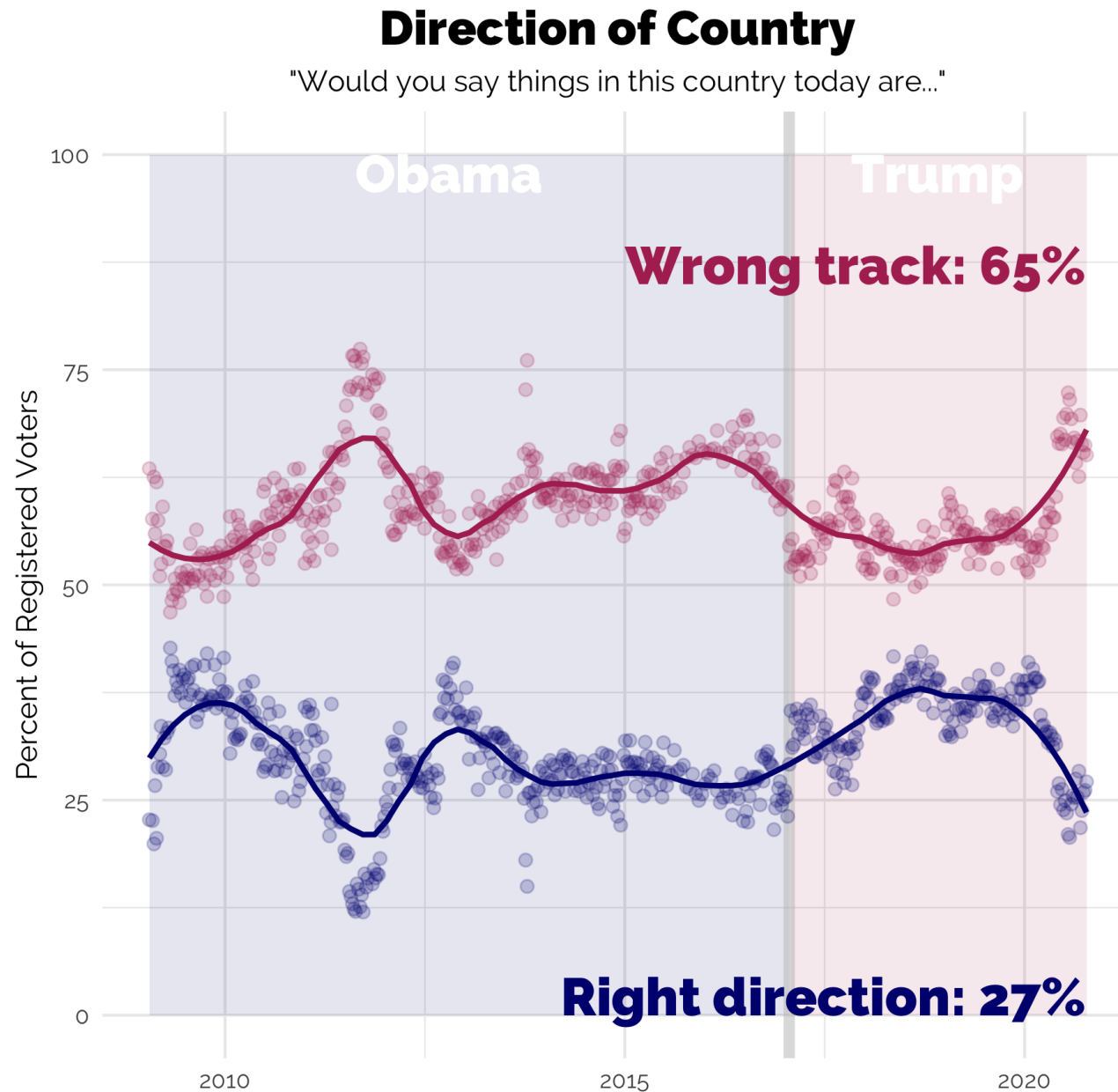


Figure 4: Direction of Country – Registered Voters

6. Direction of Country – This Week – Registered Voters

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
Generally headed in the right direction	26%	18%	14%	29%	36%	31%	9%	18%	23%	24%	31%	25%	25%
Off on the wrong track	66%	74%	79%	63%	58%	62%	87%	69%	66%	65%	61%	68%	68%
Not sure	8%	8%	7%	9%	6%	7%	4%	14%	11%	11%	8%	7%	7%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
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	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	26%	4%	23%	62%	6%	15%	57%	29%	23%	23%	32%	26%
Off on the wrong track	66%	91%	67%	30%	92%	76%	33%	63%	70%	72%	61%	66%
Not sure	8%	5%	10%	8%	3%	9%	10%	8%	7%	5%	6%	8%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
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Sponsorship:	<i>The Economist</i>
Target population:	U.S. registered voters, aged 18 and over.
Interviewing Dates:	October 4 - 6, 2020
Sampling method:	Respondents were selected from YouGov's opt-in Internet panel using sample matching. A random sample (stratified by age, gender, race, education, and region) was selected from the 2018 American Community Study. Voter registration was imputed from the November 2018 Current Population Survey Registration and Voting Supplement.
Weighting:	The sample was weighted based on age, gender, race, education, and 2016 Presidential vote. The weights range from 0.11 to 7.18, with a mean of 1 and a standard deviation of 1.49.
Number of respondents:	1500
Margin of error (Registered Voters):	4.5% (adjusted for weighting)
Survey mode:	Web-based interviews
Full results:	https://today.yougov.com/topics/overview/all(popup:search/Economist?type=surveys)