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Reuters/Ipsos Poll: The Future of the GOP (05/13/2021)

Donald Trump may not be President anymore, but the Republican party continues to look to him for direction

Topline Findings

Washington, DC, May 13, 2021 - Republican leaders officially ousted Liz Cheney from her leadership position in the House of Representatives on Wednesday, May 12th. The latest Reuters/Ipsos poll, fielded May 7th thru May 10th, reveals that half of Republicans believe former President Donald Trump should be the role model for the Republican party. Sixty-two percent of Republicans said they had little or no interest in joining a conservative political party run by former Republican leaders who have been critical of Donald Trump. Meanwhile, 7 in 10 said they would be somewhat or very interested in hearing what Trump thinks about current events. These results are indicative of the influence that Trump continues to hold over the Republican party and why House Republicans felt that Liz Cheney, who was outwardly critical of Trump, needed to be removed. But not all Republicans agree with this; 61% agreed that the Republican party is stronger when it embraces both supporters and critics of Trump.

For complete results, please refer to the following annotated questionnaire:



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Full Annotated Questionnaire

		All Respondents	Democrats	Republicans	Independents
1. With which political party do you most identify? Detailed	Strong Democrat	18%	44%	0%	0%
	Moderate Democrat	15%	38%	0%	0%
	Lean Democrat	8%	19%	0%	0%
	Lean Republican	8%	0%	24%	0%
	Moderate Republican	13%	0%	38%	0%
	Strong Republican	13%	0%	38%	0%
	Independent	16%	0%	0%	100%
	None of these	5%	0%	0%	0%
	DK	3%	0%	0%	0%
	Total	1005	463	355	111
2. With which political party do you most identify? Summary	Democrat	41%	100%	0%	0%
	Republican	35%	0%	100%	0%
	Independent	16%	0%	0%	100%
	None/DK	8%	0%	0%	0%
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3. Are you currently registered to vote at your current address, or not?	Yes, registered to vote at my current address	80%	88%	86%	75%
	No, not registered to vote at my current address	17%	9%	14%	25%
	Not sure	3%	3%	1%	1%
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4. Who would you prefer to be the role model for the next generation of Republican Party leaders? <i>[If PartyID=Republican (minus Republican leaning Independents)]</i>	Ronald Reagan	21%	0%	21%	0%
	George W. Bush	5%	0%	5%	0%
	George H.W. Bush	3%	0%	3%	0%
	Donald Trump	50%	0%	50%	0%
	Nikki Haley	6%	0%	6%	0%
	Liz Cheney	3%	0%	3%	0%
	Other	2%	0%	2%	0%
	Don't Know	10%	0%	10%	0%
	Total	271	0	271	0
5. Who would you prefer to be the role model for the next generation of Democratic Party leaders? <i>[If PartyID=Democrat (minus Democrat leaning Independents)]</i>	Franklin Delano Roosevelt	3%	3%	0%	0%
	Bill Clinton	2%	2%	0%	0%
	Barack Obama	25%	25%	0%	0%
	Joe Biden	28%	28%	0%	0%
	Kamala Harris	21%	21%	0%	0%
	Stacey Abrams	11%	11%	0%	0%
	Other	4%	4%	0%	0%
	Don't Know	7%	7%	0%	0%
	Total	373	373	0	0
6_1. [Joining a conservative political party that is run by former Republican leaders who have been critical of Donald Trump.] Fill in the blank. I would be _____ in...	Very interested	6%	7%	9%	2%
	Somewhat interested	14%	12%	19%	9%
	Not very interested	22%	21%	24%	19%
	Not at all interested	49%	56%	38%	57%
	Don't Know	9%	4%	9%	13%
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6_2. [Learning more from former President Donald Trump about what he thinks of current events.] Fill in the blank. I would be _____ in...	Very interested	18%	3%	42%	8%
	Somewhat interested	17%	8%	28%	19%
	Not very interested	13%	10%	15%	14%
	Not at all interested	50%	78%	14%	54%
	Don't Know	3%	1%	1%	6%
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7. What comes closest to your personal opinion [If PartyID=Republican (minus Republican leaning Independents)]	The Republican Party is stronger when it embraces supporters and critics of Donald Trump	61%	0%	61%	0%
	The Republican Party is stronger when it purges leaders who are critical of Donald Trump	39%	0%	39%	0%
	Total	271	0	271	0
8. What comes closest to your personal opinion [If PartyID=Democrat (minus Democrat leaning Independents)]	The Democratic Party is stronger when it embraces supporters and critics of Joe Biden	76%	76%	0%	0%
	The Democratic Party is stronger when it purges leaders who are critical of Joe Biden	24%	24%	0%	0%
	Total	373	373	0	0
9_1. [The way things are going in the country these days] How angry do you or would you feel about the following?	1 – Not at all Angry	6%	6%	3%	11%
	2	3%	4%	1%	3%
	3	6%	10%	3%	5%
	4	5%	7%	4%	4%
	5	10%	12%	7%	13%
	6	11%	12%	9%	9%
	7	11%	14%	10%	8%
	8	16%	16%	15%	18%
	9	11%	9%	15%	9%
	10 – Extremely Angry	21%	12%	33%	21%
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9_2. [If the Supreme Court overturned Roe vs. Wade, the decision that legalized abortion throughout the U.S.] How angry do you or would you feel about the following?	1 – Not at all Angry	14%	6%	24%	9%
	2	4%	2%	7%	5%
	3	3%	2%	4%	0%
	4	6%	5%	8%	6%
	5	12%	9%	11%	17%
	6	7%	6%	9%	6%
	7	8%	8%	6%	12%
	8	9%	9%	7%	13%
	9	8%	10%	7%	7%
	10 – Extremely Angry	28%	41%	17%	26%
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9_3. [States requiring identification at polling places in order to vote, even if that means some legal voters are turned away] How angry do you or would you feel about the following?	1 – Not at all Angry	27%	11%	47%	23%
	2	7%	4%	7%	11%
	3	4%	4%	5%	3%
	4	4%	3%	3%	10%
	5	9%	9%	5%	15%
	6	9%	13%	4%	12%
	7	9%	9%	9%	8%
	8	8%	13%	5%	3%
	9	7%	12%	3%	5%
	10 – Extremely Angry	15%	23%	11%	10%
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9_4. [Undocumented people entering the United States illegally and attempting to live here permanently] How angry do you or would you feel about the following?	1 – Not at all Angry	10%	17%	3%	6%
	2	6%	7%	3%	6%
	3	7%	11%	2%	7%
	4	5%	7%	3%	5%
	5	11%	13%	6%	18%
	6	10%	12%	9%	9%
	7	7%	9%	4%	9%
	8	10%	7%	12%	12%
	9	9%	7%	13%	6%
	10 – Extremely Angry	25%	10%	46%	23%
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9_5. [The deadly Jan. 6 riot at the U.S. Capitol] How angry do you or would you feel about the following?	1 – Not at all Angry	7%	2%	12%	7%
	2	4%	1%	9%	2%
	3	3%	1%	6%	2%
	4	4%	2%	7%	4%
	5	9%	2%	12%	15%
	6	9%	6%	10%	9%
	7	8%	8%	8%	10%
	8	10%	10%	10%	10%
	9	12%	15%	10%	8%
	10 – Extremely Angry	34%	53%	16%	33%
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9_6. [The Biden administration's decision to spend trillions of dollars in an effort to grow the U.S. economy and recover from the coronavirus] How angry do you or would you feel about the following?	1 – Not at all Angry	22%	34%	8%	22%
	2	9%	13%	3%	11%
	3	8%	9%	7%	7%
	4	6%	6%	5%	6%
	5	11%	9%	8%	14%
	6	10%	5%	12%	14%
	7	6%	5%	8%	6%
	8	7%	5%	8%	8%
	9	7%	6%	10%	3%
	10 – Extremely Angry	15%	7%	29%	10%
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9_7. [The rising U.S. federal deficit] How angry do you or would you feel about the following?	1 – Not at all Angry	5%	7%	2%	3%
	2	3%	4%	3%	3%
	3	5%	7%	2%	4%
	4	7%	9%	7%	3%
	5	14%	17%	10%	20%
	6	15%	20%	8%	13%
	7	12%	12%	10%	16%
	8	12%	11%	14%	11%
	9	7%	5%	11%	7%
	10 – Extremely Angry	19%	9%	33%	21%
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About the Study

These are some of the findings of an Ipsos poll conducted between May 7-10, 2021 on behalf of Thomson Reuters. For this survey, a sample of 1,005 adults age 18+ from the continental U.S., Alaska, and Hawaii was interviewed online in English. The sample includes 463 Democrats, 355 Republicans, and 111 Independents.

The sample was randomly drawn from [Ipsos' online panel](#), partner online panel sources, and "[river](#)" [sampling](#) and does not rely on a population frame in the traditional sense. Ipsos uses fixed sample targets, unique to each study, in drawing a sample. After a sample has been obtained from the Ipsos panel, Ipsos calibrates respondent characteristics to be representative of the U.S. Population using standard procedures such as raking-ratio adjustments. The source of these population targets is U.S. Census 2018 American Community Survey data. The sample drawn for this study reflects fixed sample targets on demographics. Posthoc weights were made to the population characteristics on gender, age, race/ethnicity, region, and education.

Statistical margins of error are not applicable to online non-probability polls. All sample surveys and polls may be subject to other sources of error, including but not limited to coverage error and measurement error. Where figures do not sum to 100, this is due to the effects of rounding. The precision of Ipsos online polls is measured using a credibility interval. In this case, the poll has a credibility interval of plus or minus 3.5 percentage points for all respondents. Ipsos calculates a design effect (DEFF) for each study based on the variation of the weights, following the formula of Kish (1965). This study had a credibility interval adjusted for design effect of the following ($n=1,005$, $DEFF=1.5$, adjusted Confidence Interval= ± 5.0 percentage points).

The poll also has a credibility interval of plus or minus 5.2 percentage points for Democrats, plus or minus 5.9 percentage points for Republicans, and plus or minus 10.6 percentage points for Independents.

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