

Americans still see 9/11 as one of the most impactful events in recent history

The events of September 11th, 2001 have implications for daily life, 20 years on

Washington, DC, September 8, 2021– On the eve of the 20th anniversary of September 11th, Americans still perceive it as one of the most impactful events of the 21st century, on par with more recent events like the coronavirus pandemic.

Furthermore, a supermajority (85%) believe that the policies put into place because of the September 11th attacks still have implications for daily life. Yet views are mixed on how much has changed in terms of overall security since then, with a plurality (46%) agreeing that the country is now "about as safe" as it was before September 11th.

Moreover, 95% still believe that international terrorism will remain a critical or important threat to the United States in the next 10 years, on par with similar views about the threat that the COVID-19 pandemic, political polarization, and domestic violent extremism represent.

Detailed findings

The events of September 11th remain firmly etched in the minds of those who were alive to witness them. Ninety-two percent say they remember exactly where they were or what they were doing the moment they heard about the terrorist attacks on the Twin Towers and the Pentagon, and the hijacking of United flight 93 that crashed in Shanksville, PA.

• Younger Americans (those age 24 to 29) are the least likely to remember these events, at 65%.

Eighty-five percent of Americans say that September 11th changed American society in a "major way." Similar numbers say that the pandemic also had a major impact on American society, at 88%.

- Among those who say that 9/11 had both a major and minor impact on society, 55% say that the it brought about negative change, while 31% believe the changes were both positive and negative.
- A majority support continuing the airport security screening procedures that were put in place following the September 11th, 2001 terrorist attacks, with the greatest support for requiring personal identification for all passengers (97% support) and scanning luggage and personal items (95%).

In terms of the personal impact that the major events of the 21st century had on individuals, opinion shifts slightly among older and younger Americans. For all age cohorts, the COVID-19 pandemic is seen as the most impactful event, but most strongly among Americans age 18-29 (66% of whom agree).

 For Americans age 18-29, the election of Donald Trump is the second most influential event (14%) agree. For all other age groups, September 11th is the second most personally impactful event behind COVID.

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Annotated Questionnaire





RECALL1. Do you happen to remember **exactly where you were or exactly what you were doing** the moment you heard about the September 11th, 2001 terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon?

			Base=24	or older
	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Yes	92	96	90	90
No	8	4	10	10

RECALL2. Do you happen to remember if you witnessed the terrorist attacks live on television as they happened or at a later time on September 11th, 2001?

	Base=24 or older			
	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Witnessed live on television as it happened	54	58	53	52
Saw replay of event on television later that day	36	37	36	35
Saw replay of event on television sometime after September 11 th	5	4	5	6
Not Sure	5	2	6	6

CHANGE1. In your opinion, have the following events directly changed American society or not?

The September 11th, 2001 terrorist attacks

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total Changed	94	99	95	91
Changed in a major way	85	89	87	80
Changed in a minor way	10	10	8	11
Did not change at all	1	1	2	2
Not sure	4	1	3	7





The financial crisis of 2007-2009

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total Changed	82	84	86	79
Changed in a major way	43	38	50	41
Changed in a minor way	39	46	36	38
Did not change at all	6	7	4	7
Not sure	12	9	10	15

The election of Barack Obama

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total Changed	83	84	89	78
Changed in a major way	46	52	52	37
Changed in a minor way	37	31	37	40
Did not change at all	11	13	8	13
Not sure	6	4	4	9

The election of Donald Trump

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total Changed	91	93	94	87
Changed in a major way	70	67	82	63
Changed in a minor way	20	26	12	24
Did not change at all	5	5	3	5
Not sure	4	2	2	7

The COVID-19 pandemic

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total Changed	95	97	96	92
Changed in a major way	88	90	92	85
Changed in a minor way	6	7	5	7
Did not change at all	2	2	1	2
Not sure	3	1	2	6

The January 6th attack on the U.S. Capitol

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	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total Changed	66	51	84	63
Changed in a major way	36	18	56	31
Changed in a minor way	30	33	27	32
Did not change at all	24	43	10	24
Not sure	9	6	6	13

CHANGE2. Would you say that the change in American society following this event was positive or negative?

The September 11th, 2001 terrorist attacks

Base=major/minor change

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Positive change	14	18	12	13
Negative change	55	53	57	55
Both positive and negative change	31	29	31	32

The financial crisis of 2007-2009

Base=major/minor change

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Positive change	10	13	9	8
Negative change	57	56	56	59
Both positive and negative change	33	31	35	32

The election of Barack Obama

Base=major/minor change

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Positive change	46	11	76	42
Negative change	28	66	4	23
Both positive and negative change	26	22	20	34

The election of Donald Trump

Base=major/minor change

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Positive change	26	65	3	19
Negative change	55	12	87	56
Both positive and negative change	19	22	9	25

The COVID-19 pandemic

Base=major/minor change

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	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Positive change	4	4	4	5
Negative change	70	77	66	68
Both positive and negative change	26	18	30	27

The January 6th attack on the U.S. Capitol

Base=major/minor change

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Positive change	4	3	3	4
Negative change	77	62	82	79
Both positive and negative change	19	34	14	17

CHANGE3. If you had to choose, which event would you say had the biggest impact on you personally?

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
The September 11 th , 2001 terrorist attacks	21	32	13	19
The financial crisis of 2007- 2009	7	8	4	9
The election of Barack Obama	6	4	11	3
The election of Donald Trump	14	15	16	12
The COVID-19 Pandemic	50	41	54	54
The January 6 th attack on the U.S. Capitol	2	1	2	2

CHANGE4. Would you say that the impact that [insert selection from CHANGE3] had on you was positive or negative?

The September 11th, 2001 terrorist attacks

Base: Biggest impact

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Positive impact	8	8	3	10
Negative impact	53	50	57	54
Both positive and negative impact	39	42	40	36

The financial crisis of 2007-2009

Base: Biggest impact

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	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Positive impact	4	4	11	1
Negative impact	78	75	68	84
Both positive and negative impact	19	21	21	14

The election of Barack Obama

Base: Biggest impact

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	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Positive impact	61	0	86	38
Negative impact	30	100	5	43
Both positive and negative impact	10	0	10	18

The election of Donald Trump

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The COVID-19 Pandemic

Base: Biggest impact

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Positive impact	4	5	5	4
Negative impact	59	67	54	59
Both positive and negative impact	37	27	42	36

The January 6th attack on the U.S. Capital

Base: Biggest impact

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Positive impact	9	0	17	0
Negative impact	77	71	77	80
Both positive and negative impact	14	29	6	20





Q5. Below is a list of possible threats to the vital interest of the United States in the next 10 years. For each one, please select whether you see this as a critical threat, an important but not critical threat, or not an important threat at all:

Climate Change

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total Threat	82	60	97	83
Critical threat	53	18	81	53
Important but not critical threat	28	42	16	30
Not an important threat	18	39	2	16

Large numbers of immigrants and refugees coming into the U.S.

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total Threat	79	95	69	78
Critical threat	42	74	22	38
Important but not critical threat	37	22	47	40
Not an important threat	20	4	31	21

International Terrorism

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total Threat	95	98	96	93
Critical threat	63	77	61	55
Important but not critical threat	32	21	35	38
Not an important threat	4	2	4	6

The COVID-19 pandemic

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total Threat	91	82	98	90
Critical threat	65	47	81	63
Important but not critical threat	26	36	17	27
Not an important threat	9	17	1	9





Domestic violent extremism

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total Threat	91	87	97	90
Critical threat	58	48	71	55
Important but not critical threat	33	39	27	35
Not an important threat	8	13	2	9

Political polarization in the United States

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total Threat	94	94	96	94
Critical threat	63	63	67	61
Important but not critical threat	31	31	30	32
Not an important threat	5	5	3	6

Economic inequality in the United States

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total Threat	84	70	94	85
Critical threat	39	20	57	37
Important but not critical threat	45	51	38	49
Not an important threat	15	29	5	14

Racial inequality in the United States

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total Threat	81	62	97	81
Critical threat	41	17	66	35
Important but not critical threat	40	45	31	46
Not an important threat	18	37	3	18





LEGACY. How much do you believe the policies put into place because of the September 11th, 2001 terrorist attacks impact Americans daily lives today?

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total impact	85	85	85	85
A great deal	37	35	38	38
Somewhat	48	50	47	47
Very little	12	14	13	10
Not at all	3	1	2	5

Q275. Do you think that, as a country, we are more safe, about as safe, or less safe than we were before the terrorist attacks of September 11th, 2001?

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
More safe	28	32	29	24
About as safe	46	37	52	46
Less safe	26	`30	19	30

Q280. How likely is it that occasional acts of terrorism committed by the following groups in the U.S. will be part of life in the future?

International terrorist groups

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total likely	83	92	78	83
Very likely	39	50	31	38
Somewhat likely	45	42	47	45
Not very likely	13	6	19	13
Not at all likely	2	1	3	3

Violent domestic groups

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total likely	87	83	93	84
Very likely	51	42	57	52
Somewhat likely	36	41	36	32
Not very likely	9	13	5	11
Not at all likely	3	3	2	4

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QTSA1. Several changes were made to airport security screening procedures in the U.S. following the September 11th, 2001 terrorist attacks.

Do you support or oppose continuing the following enhanced security procedures at U.S. airports?

Full-body image scans

Base=Split sample

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total support	84	85	89	79
Total oppose	16	15	11	20
Strongly Support	52	53	59	45
Somewhat support	32	32	30	34
Somewhat oppose	10	10	8	12
Strongly oppose	5	5	3	8





Having your personal belongings (such as luggage, purses, or backpacks) scanned Base=Split sample

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other	
Total support	95	96	98	92	
Total oppose	5	5	2	8	
Strongly Support	73	75	79	66	
Somewhat support	22	20	19	26	
Somewhat oppose	4	2	2	6	
Strongly oppose	1	2	0	1	

Limiting containers of liquid to 3.4 ounces or less onboard flights

			Base=Sp	olit sample
	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total support	71	72	74	69
Total oppose	28	28	26	31
Strongly Support	39	38	46	35
Somewhat support	32	33	28	34
Somewhat oppose	19	20	17	21
Strongly oppose	9	8	9	9

Requiring personal identification for all passengers Base=Split sample

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total support	97	99	98	97
Total oppose	2	1	2	3
Strongly Support	87	90	87	84
Somewhat support	11	9	10	13
Somewhat oppose	2	1	1	3
Strongly oppose	1	0	1	1

Prohibiting non-passengers from entering airport terminals Base=Split sample
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	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total support	82	80	88	79
Total oppose	17	20	12	20
Strongly Support	49	45	58	44
Somewhat support	33	35	30	36
Somewhat oppose	14	16	11	16
Strongly oppose	3	4	1	5





Having to remove your shoes, belt, or jacket prior to body scans

	Base=Split sample			
	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total support	75	75	80	71
Total oppose	24	25	20	28
Strongly Support	42	42	47	38
Somewhat support	33	33	33	34
Somewhat oppose	17	16	15	19
Strongly oppose	8	9	5	10

Having to remove your laptop or other electronics prior to have your personal belongings scanned Base=Split sample

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total support	85	87	89	81
Total oppose	14	13	11	19
Strongly Support	48	50	54	41
Somewhat support	37	37	35	40
Somewhat oppose	11	10	9	15
Strongly oppose	3	4	2	4

Being prohibited from idling or parking in front of airport terminals to pick-up or drop-off passengers Base=Split sample

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total support	72	72	77	67
Total oppose	28	28	23	33
Strongly Support	37	38	41	33
Somewhat support	34	34	35	34
Somewhat oppose	22	23	17	25
Strongly oppose	6	5	6	8





QTSA2. How effective do you believe the following enhanced security procedures are at preventing acts of terrorism against U.S. airplanes?

Full-body image scans Base=Split sample				olit sample	
		All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
То	tal effective	85	87	88	82
То	tal not effective	13	12	10	17
Ve	ry effective	46	48	50	41
So	mewhat effective	40	39	39	41
No	t very effective	9	7	8	12
No	t at all effective	4	4	3	5

Having your personal belongings (such as luggage, purses, or backpacks) scanned Base=Split sample

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total effective	91	92	93	90
Total not effective	8	7	7	9
Very effective	55	58	60	50
Somewhat effective	36	34	33	40
Not very effective	6	6	6	7
Not at all effective	1	1	1	2

Limiting containers of liquid to 3.4 ounces or less onboard flights

	Base=Split sample			
	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total effective	68	68	73	64
Total not effective	31	31	26	35
Very effective	26	24	34	21
Somewhat effective	42	45	39	44
Not very effective	22	23	19	23
Not at all effective	9	8	7	12



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Requiring personal identification for all passengers

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	All Republican			
Total effective	92	95	93	89
Total not effective	7	4	6	10
Very effective	61	70	64	52
Somewhat effective	31	25	30	38
Not very effective	5	3	5	7
Not at all effective	2	1	1	3

Prohibiting non-passengers from entering airport terminals Base=Split sample

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total effective	79	81	83	74
Total not effective	19	17	15	25
Very effective	37	38	40	33
Somewhat effective	42	43	43	41
Not very effective	15	14	14	18
Not at all effective	4	4	2	7

Having to remove your shoes, belt, or jacket prior to body scans Base=Split sample

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total effective	71	71	76	67
Total not effective	27	27	23	32
Very effective	28	30	32	24
Somewhat effective	43	41	44	43
Not very effective	21	20	18	24
Not at all effective	7	7	5	9

Having to remove your laptop or other electronics prior to have your personal belongings scanned Base=Split sample

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total effective	78	78	81	76
Total not effective	21	21	18	23
Very effective	32	33	36	27
Somewhat effective	46	45	45	49
Not very effective	15	17	15	15
Not at all effective	5	4	2	8





Being prohibited from idling or parking in front of airport terminals to pick-up or drop-off passengers Base=Split sample

assengers				
	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total effective	69	68	75	66
Total not effective	29	30	24	34
Very effective	28	30	30	25
Somewhat effective	41	38	45	41
Not very effective	22	24	20	24
Not at all effective	7	6	5	10

COVID1. Since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic in early 2020, the federal government has made several recommendations on ways to limit the spread of the virus.

Do you currently support or oppose the use of the **following recommendations or polices** to reduce the spread of COVID-19?

Mandating masks for public settings, such as in restaurants, grocery stores or other public places Base=Split sample

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total support	70	40	94	71
Total oppose	29	59	6	27
Strongly Support	51	24	75	48
Somewhat support	20	16	19	23
Somewhat oppose	11	21	4	10
Strongly oppose	18	38	2	18

Mandating masks for schools, including elementary, high schools, colleges and universities Base=Split sample

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total support	71	44	95	70
Total oppose	28	56	5	29
Strongly Support	51	20	78	50
Somewhat support	20	24	16	20
Somewhat oppose	9	17	2	10
Strongly oppose	19	39	4	18





Mandating masks for private and public sector employees if they are working at a business location other than their homes Base=Split sample

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total support	71	43	94	72
Total oppose	28	57	6	27
Strongly Support	51	25	76	49
Somewhat support	20	18	18	22
Somewhat oppose	10	19	3	10
Strongly oppose	18	38	3	17

Requiring vaccinations for private and public sector employees if they are working at a business location other than their homes Base=Split sample

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total support	65	36	87	66
Total oppose	34	63	13	33
Strongly Support	47	22	68	46
Somewhat support	18	15	19	20
Somewhat oppose	11	17	7	10
Strongly oppose	23	46	6	23

Requiring students to be vaccinated prior to returning to school this Fall

			Base=Sp	olit sample
	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total support	65	40	85	65
Total oppose	35	60	15	34
Strongly Support	42	21	64	38
Somewhat support	23	19	21	26
Somewhat oppose	11	17	8	11
Strongly oppose	23	43	7	23

Requiring individuals using public transit to be vaccinated or provide proof of a recent negative Covid-19 test Base=Split sample

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total support	60	36	81	60
Total oppose	39	63	18	39
Strongly Support	37	19	55	35
Somewhat support	23	17	26	25
Somewhat oppose	14	16	11	16
Strongly oppose	25	47	7	24

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Requiring individuals attending public sport events or concerts to be vaccinated or provide proof of a recent negative Covid-19 test Base=Split sample

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total support	68	38	91	68
Total oppose	32	61	9	31
Strongly Support	48	21	72	46
Somewhat support	20	18	19	22
Somewhat oppose	8	12	5	8
Strongly oppose	23	49	4	22

Allowing insurance companies to charge unvaccinated individuals higher health insurance premiums than those who are unvaccinated Base=Split sample

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total support	43	23	56	45
Total oppose	56	75	43	54
Strongly Support	24	12	34	24
Somewhat support	19	12	22	21
Somewhat oppose	17	16	18	17
Strongly oppose	39	59	25	37

COVID2. How effective do you believe the use of the following recommendation or policies

Mandating masks for public settings, such as in restaurants, grocery stores or other public places Base=Split sample

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total effective	72	44	94	73
Total not effective	27	55	6	25
Very effective	44	22	66	41
Somewhat effective	28	22	28	32
Not very effective	12	26	3	10
Not at all effective	15	29	3	15





Mandating masks for schools, including elementary, high schools, colleges and universities Base=Split sample

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total effective	73	48	93	73
Total not effective	26	51	7	26
Very effective	45	20	67	44
Somewhat effective	28	27	26	29
Not very effective	12	25	4	9
Not at all effective	15	27	3	17

Mandating masks for private and public sector employees if they are working at a business location other than their homes Base=Split sample

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total effective	72	48	92	71
Total not effective	27	51	8	27
Very effective	42	22	64	37
Somewhat effective	30	25	28	34
Not very effective	13	26	4	11
Not at all effective	14	25	3	16

Requiring vaccinations for private and public sector employees if they are working at a business location other than their homes Base=Split sample

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total effective	70	47	90	70
Total not effective	28	52	9	29
Very effective	42	21	64	39
Somewhat effective	28	26	26	31
Not very effective	13	23	5	12
Not at all effective	16	29	4	16

Requiring students to be vaccinated prior to returning to school this Fall

	•	0	Base=Split sample			
	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other		
Total effective	69	45	89	70		
Total not effective	29	54	10	29		
Very effective	44	21	65	43		
Somewhat effective	25	24	25	27		
Not very effective	13	27	6	11		
Not at all effective	16	27	4	18		

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Requiring individuals using public transit to be vaccinated or provide proof of a recent negative Covid-19 test Base=Split sample

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total effective	67	42	87	69
Total not effective	31	56	13	29
Very effective	34	19	52	30
Somewhat effective	33	23	35	39
Not very effective	15	27	8	13
Not at all effective	16	30	5	16

Requiring individuals attending public sport events or concerts to be vaccinated or provide proof of a recent negative Covid-19 test Base=Split sample

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total effective	69	44	91	69
Total not effective	29	55	9	30
Very effective	40	20	60	37
Somewhat effective	29	24	31	32
Not very effective	14	24	5	14
Not at all effective	16	31	4	16

Allowing insurance companies to charge unvaccinated individuals higher health insurance premiums than those who are unvaccinated Base=Split sample

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total effective	44	27	56	46
Total not effective	55	72	43	53
Very effective	22	14	30	20
Somewhat effective	22	13	26	26
Not very effective	22	22	22	22
Not at all effective	33	50	21	31





GOVEFFECT. Since the terrorist attacks of September 11th, 2001, how effective do you think the following have been in preventing a foreign terrorist group from conducting a major terrorist attack on the U.S.?

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total effective	71	75	76	65
Total not effective	21	19	18	25
Very effective	25	28	27	20
Somewhat effective	47	47	49	45
Not very effective	14	13	13	17
Not at all effective	7	6	5	8
Not sure	7	6	6	9

Transportation Security Administration (TSA) screening procedures

Efforts by the Department of Homeland Security

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total effective	71	72	78	64
Total not effective	18	18	12	23
Very effective	23	24	27	20
Somewhat effective	48	49	51	44
Not very effective	14	14	10	17
Not at all effective	4	5	2	6
Not sure	10	9	9	12

U.S. Intelligence Community (CIA, NSA) counterterrorism efforts

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total effective	72	75	80	66
Total not effective	15	15	9	19
Very effective	28	27	36	21
Somewhat effective	45	48	43	45
Not very effective	11	11	7	13
Not at all effective	4	5	2	6
Not sure	12	9	11	15





Federal Law Enforcement (FBI, Department of Justice) counterterrorism efforts

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total effective	73	70	83	68
Total not effective	15	20	8	18
Very effective	26	24	32	21
Somewhat effective	48	46	51	47
Not very effective	11	14	6	13
Not at all effective	4	6	2	5
Not sure	10	10	8	13

State and local law enforcement

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total effective	62	67	62	58
Total not effective	27	23	28	29
Very effective	15	18	16	13
Somewhat effective	46	48	47	45
Not very effective	21	18	22	22
Not at all effective	6	5	6	7
Not sure	11	9	10	12

Border security and immigration enforcement (U.S. Customs and Border Protection, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement)

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total effective	57	61	61	51
Total not effective	34	33	31	38
Very effective	17	20	17	16
Somewhat effective	39	41	43	35
Not very effective	22	19	22	24
Not at all effective	12	14	9	14
Not sure	8	5	7	11





Intelligence sharing and cooperation with other countries

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total effective	73	71	80	68
Total not effective	15	19	10	17
Very effective	27	27	32	23
Somewhat effective	46	44	48	45
Not very effective	11	13	8	12
Not at all effective	4	6	2	5
Not sure	11	9	10	14

International diplomacy (Department of State)

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total effective	58	52	71	51
Total not effective	26	35	16	29
Very effective	14	12	20	11
Somewhat effective	44	40	51	40
Not very effective	20	26	13	21
Not at all effective	6	9	3	8
Not sure	14	13	12	18

Military actions in Iraq

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total effective	54	66	54	46
Total not effective	33	21	35	40
Very effective	15	22	15	11
Somewhat effective	39	44	39	35
Not very effective	20	15	20	24
Not at all effective	13	7	14	16
Not sure	12	12	11	13





Military actions in Afghanistan

	All	Republican	Democrat	Indep/Other
Total effective	54	64	53	48
Total not effective	35	26	37	39
Very effective	18	24	16	15
Somewhat effective	36	40	37	33
Not very effective	21	17	23	23
Not at all effective	13	9	14	16
Not sure	11	10	10	12





About the Study

This Chicago Council on Global Affairs/Ipsos poll was conducted August 23 to August 26, 2021 by Ipsos using the probability-based KnowledgePanel®. This poll is based on a nationally representative probability sample of 1,924 general population adults age 18 or older with oversamples of Vetererans, active duty military, and young adults age 18 to 24.

The survey was conducted using KnowledgePanel, the largest and most well-established online probability-based panel that is representative of the adult US population. Our recruitment process employs a scientifically developed addressed-based sampling methodology using the latest Delivery Sequence File of the USPS – a database with full coverage of all delivery points in the US. Households invited to join the panel are randomly selected from all available households in the U.S. Persons in the sampled households are invited to join and participate in the panel. Those selected who do not already have internet access are provided a tablet and internet connection at no cost to the panel member. Those who join the panel and who are selected to participate in a survey are sent a unique password-protected log-in used to complete surveys online. As a result of our recruitment and sampling methodologies, samples from KnowledgePanel cover all households regardless of their phone or internet status and findings can be reported with a margin of sampling error and projected to the general population.

The study was conducted in both English and Spanish. The data were weighted to adjust for gender by age, race/ethnicity, education, Census region, metropolitan status, household income, and party identification. The demographic benchmarks came from the 2019 American Community Survey (ACS) from the US Census Bureau, except for metropolitan status which came from the 2020 Current Population Survey (CPS). The weighting variables and categories were as follows:

- Gender (Male, Female) by Age (18–24, 25-29, 30–44, 45–59, and 60+)
- Race/Hispanic Ethnicity (White Non-Hispanic, Black Non-Hispanic, Other or 2+ Races Non-Hispanic, Hispanic)
- Education (Less than High School grad, High School grad, Some College, Bachelor and beyond)
- Census Region (Northeast, Midwest, South, West)
- Metropolitan status (Metro, non-Metro)
- Household Income (Under \$25,000, \$25,000-\$49,999, \$50,000-\$74,999, \$75,000-\$99,999, \$100,000-\$149,999, \$150,000+)
- Language proficiency (English proficient, Bilingual, Spanish proficient, Non-Hispanic, not asked)
- Veteran/Active duty military status (Yes, No)

The margin of sampling error is plus or minus 2.5 percentage points at the 95% confidence level, for results based on the entire sample of adults. The margin of sampling error takes into account the design effect, which was 1.29. The margin of sampling error is higher and varies for results based on subsamples. In our reporting of the findings, percentage points are rounded off to the nearest whole number. As a result, percentages in a given table column may total slightly higher or lower than 100%. In questions that permit multiple responses, columns may total substantially more than 100%, depending on the number of different responses offered by each respondent.





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