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### Reuters/Ipsos Poll: New York Investigation of Donald Trump

#### Topline Findings

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

#### Full Annotated Questionnaire

TM3092Y23. Looking ahead to the 2024 presidential election, who would you support as the 2024 Republican presidential nominee? [Asked Strong/Moderate/Lean Republicans and Independents Only]

	Republicans Only		
	April 5-6, 2023 n=368	March 31-April 3, 2023 n=706	March 14-20, 2023 n=1,627
Donald Trump	58%	48%	44%
Ron DeSantis	21%	19%	30%
Mike Pence	4%	5%	5%
Nikki Haley	1%	6%	3%
Mike Pompeo	1%	1%	1%
Liz Cheney	3%	3%	4%
Chris Sununu	0%	1%	0%
Glenn Youngkin	1%	0%	1%
Chris Christie	0%	2%	1%
Asa Hutchinson*	1%	NA	NA
Vivek Ramaswamy*	1%	NA	NA
Other	0%	1%	1%
Don't know	8%	15%	11%
None	0%	0%	0%

\*These response options were first asked in the April 5-6, 2023 wave.



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TM3136Y23. How much, if anything, have you heard about New York prosecutors' case against Donald Trump?\*

	All Respondents	Democrats	Republicans	Independents
A great deal	35%	39%	43%	26%
A fair amount	35%	38%	35%	32%
I have heard of this, but that's about it	22%	19%	18%	24%
I have not heard of this	5%	1%	3%	12%
Not sure	3%	2%	1%	5%

*\*In previous waves, this question was asked as, "How much, if anything, have you heard about New York prosecutors' investigation of Donald Trump?"*

	All Respondents	
	March 31-April 3, 2023	March 20-21, 2023
A great deal	26%	14%
A fair amount	33%	37%
I have heard of this, but that's about it	29%	38%
I have not heard of this	9%	9%
Not sure	3%	3%

TM3041Y23. Do you think New York prosecutors were right to file criminal charges against Donald Trump?

	All Respondents	Democrats	Republicans	Independents
Yes	49%	84%	16%	38%
No	32%	8%	65%	27%
Not sure	19%	8%	20%	35%

TM3137Y23. In your opinion, how believable, if at all, are the following statements?

- a. Donald Trump falsified business records and committed fraud

	All Respondents	Democrats	Republicans	Independents
Very believable	41%	74%	12%	29%
Somewhat believable	19%	14%	20%	25%
Not very believable	18%	8%	27%	24%
Not at all believable	15%	2%	32%	13%
Not sure	7%	3%	9%	8%
Total Believable	60%	88%	32%	55%
Total Not Believable	32%	9%	59%	37%





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TM3137Y23. In your opinion, how believable, if at all, are the following statements? (Continued)

- a. Donald Trump falsified business records and committed fraud (Continued)

	All Respondents	
	March 31-April 3, 2023	March 20-21, 2023
Very believable	41%	42%
Somewhat believable	21%	19%
Not very believable	13%	13%
Not at all believable	12%	14%
Not sure	13%	11%
<b>Total Believable</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>62%</b>
<b>Total Not Believable</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>27%</b>

- b. Donald Trump paid Stormy Daniels and Karen McDougal money so they would not talk about their extramarital relationships during the 2016 presidential election\*

	All Respondents	Democrats	Republicans	Independents
Very believable	44%	66%	21%	46%
Somewhat believable	29%	24%	34%	25%
Not very believable	12%	4%	20%	13%
Not at all believable	7%	1%	15%	7%
Not sure	9%	4%	11%	8%
<b>Total Believable</b>	<b>73%</b>	<b>90%</b>	<b>55%</b>	<b>72%</b>
<b>Total Not Believable</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>34%</b>	<b>20%</b>

\*In previous waves, this statement was asked as, "Donald Trump paid Stormy Daniels money so she would not talk about their extramarital relationship during the 2016 presidential election"

	All Respondents	
	March 31-April 3, 2023	March 20-21, 2023
Very believable	46%	46%
Somewhat believable	25%	24%
Not very believable	9%	10%
Not at all believable	8%	8%
Not sure	13%	12%
<b>Total Believable</b>	<b>71%</b>	<b>70%</b>
<b>Total Not Believable</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>18%</b>



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TM3137Y23. In your opinion, how believable, if at all, are the following statements? (Continued)

- c. Donald Trump illegally removed classified documents from the White House and stored them at his home at Mar A Lago

	All Respondents	Democrats	Republicans	Independents
Very believable	41%	74%	14%	30%
Somewhat believable	22%	17%	22%	25%
Not very believable	16%	4%	25%	24%
Not at all believable	14%	1%	31%	11%
Not sure	8%	3%	8%	11%
<b>Total Believable</b>	<b>63%</b>	<b>92%</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>55%</b>
<b>Total Not Believable</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>56%</b>	<b>35%</b>

	All Respondents	
	March 31-April 3, 2023	March 20-21, 2023
Very believable	41%	45%
Somewhat believable	24%	20%
Not very believable	11%	13%
Not at all believable	11%	12%
Not sure	13%	10%
<b>Total Believable</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>65%</b>
<b>Total Not Believable</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>25%</b>

- d. Donald Trump solicited election fraud

	All Respondents	Democrats	Republicans	Independents
Very believable	37%	65%	9%	34%
Somewhat believable	19%	20%	16%	15%
Not very believable	15%	4%	22%	26%
Not at all believable	22%	6%	45%	18%
Not sure	7%	4%	9%	8%
<b>Total Believable</b>	<b>55%</b>	<b>86%</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>49%</b>
<b>Total Not Believable</b>	<b>37%</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>43%</b>



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TM3137Y23. In your opinion, how believable, if at all, are the following statements? (Continued)

d. Donald Trump solicited election fraud (Continued)

	All Respondents	
	March 31-April 3, 2023	March 20-21, 2023
Very believable	39%	38%
Somewhat believable	17%	16%
Not very believable	13%	14%
Not at all believable	18%	19%
Not sure	14%	12%
Total Believable	56%	54%
Total Not Believable	31%	34%

TM3138Y23. Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements:

a. Some members of law enforcement are working to delegitimize former President Donald Trump through politically motivated investigations\*

	All Respondents	Democrats	Republicans	Independents
Strongly agree	28%	13%	50%	24%
Somewhat agree	24%	21%	26%	24%
Somewhat disagree	16%	24%	7%	15%
Strongly disagree	16%	31%	6%	14%
Don't know	16%	12%	12%	23%
Total Agree	53%	34%	76%	49%
Total Disagree	32%	54%	13%	29%

*\*In previous waves, this statement was asked as, "Some members of the Democratic Party and law enforcement are working to delegitimize former President Donald Trump through politically motivated investigations"*



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TM3138Y23. Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements: (Continued)

- a. Some members of law enforcement are working to delegitimize former President Donald Trump through politically motivated investigations\* (Continued)

	All Respondents	
	March 31-April 3, 2023	March 20-21, 2023
Strongly agree	27%	27%
Somewhat agree	24%	24%
Somewhat disagree	13%	12%
Strongly disagree	15%	20%
Don't know	20%	18%
Total Agree	51%	50%
Total Disagree	29%	32%

- b. The elite class is targeting Donald Trump because they do not want him to win the 2024 presidential election

	All Respondents	Democrats	Republicans	Independents
Strongly agree	35%	11%	66%	31%
Somewhat agree	16%	14%	14%	23%
Somewhat disagree	12%	17%	5%	12%
Strongly disagree	27%	50%	9%	21%
Don't know	9%	8%	7%	13%
Total Agree	51%	25%	80%	55%
Total Disagree	39%	67%	14%	33%

	All Respondents	
	March 31-April 3, 2023	March 20-21, 2023
Strongly agree	29%	29%
Somewhat agree	17%	21%
Somewhat disagree	14%	13%
Strongly disagree	22%	24%
Don't know	18%	13%
Total Agree	46%	50%
Total Disagree	36%	37%





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TM3138Y23. Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements: (Continued)

- c. The indictment of Donald Trump on criminal charges is politically motivated

	All Respondents	Democrats	Republicans	Independents
Strongly agree	36%	11%	67%	33%
Somewhat agree	20%	19%	16%	30%
Somewhat disagree	13%	21%	5%	9%
Strongly disagree	22%	41%	7%	21%
Don't know	8%	7%	5%	8%
Total Agree	56%	31%	83%	63%
Total Disagree	35%	63%	12%	29%

	All Respondents	
	March 31-April 3, 2023	March 20-21, 2023
Strongly agree	30%	30%
Somewhat agree	21%	24%
Somewhat disagree	16%	15%
Strongly disagree	18%	23%
Don't know	15%	9%
Total Agree	51%	54%
Total Disagree	34%	37%

- d. If Donald Trump broke the law, he should stand trial

	All Respondents	Democrats	Republicans	Independents
Strongly agree	62%	80%	39%	69%
Somewhat agree	20%	11%	34%	17%
Somewhat disagree	5%	3%	8%	4%
Strongly disagree	7%	2%	12%	5%
Don't know	6%	4%	7%	5%
Total Agree	82%	91%	73%	85%
Total Disagree	12%	5%	20%	9%



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TM3138Y23. Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements: (Continued)

d. If Donald Trump broke the law, he should stand trial (Continued)

	All Respondents	
	March 31-April 3, 2023	March 20-21, 2023
Strongly agree	62%	65%
Somewhat agree	21%	20%
Somewhat disagree	6%	5%
Strongly disagree	4%	3%
Don't know	8%	8%
Total Agree	83%	85%
Total Disagree	10%	7%

e. Donald Trump is not above the law

	All Respondents	Democrats	Republicans	Independents
Strongly agree	71%	86%	65%	60%
Somewhat agree	16%	7%	23%	21%
Somewhat disagree	4%	3%	5%	7%
Strongly disagree	3%	2%	2%	5%
Don't know	5%	2%	5%	7%
Total Agree	87%	93%	88%	81%
Total Disagree	8%	4%	6%	12%

	All Respondents	
	March 31-April 3, 2023	March 20-21, 2023
Strongly agree	71%	75%
Somewhat agree	13%	12%
Somewhat disagree	6%	4%
Strongly disagree	3%	3%
Don't know	7%	5%
Total Agree	84%	88%
Total Disagree	9%	7%







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TM3138Y23. Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements: (Continued)

f. No one is above the law

	All Respondents	Democrats	Republicans	Independents
Strongly agree	70%	81%	64%	66%
Somewhat agree	17%	8%	24%	19%
Somewhat disagree	5%	6%	3%	6%
Strongly disagree	4%	2%	6%	4%
Don't know	4%	3%	3%	5%
Total Agree	87%	89%	88%	85%
Total Disagree	9%	8%	9%	10%

	All Respondents
	March 31-April 3, 2023
Strongly agree	74%
Somewhat agree	12%
Somewhat disagree	4%
Strongly disagree	4%
Don't know	6%
Total Agree	87%
Total Disagree	8%

g. The indictment of Donald Trump will only help Trump win the presidency in 2024

	All Respondents	Democrats	Republicans	Independents
Strongly agree	16%	8%	28%	17%
Somewhat agree	25%	18%	35%	23%
Somewhat disagree	19%	22%	15%	21%
Strongly disagree	22%	36%	7%	23%
Don't know	17%	16%	16%	16%
Total Agree	41%	26%	62%	40%
Total Disagree	41%	58%	22%	44%



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TM3138Y23. Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements: (Continued)

- g. The indictment of Donald Trump will only help Trump win the presidency in 2024 (Continued)

	All Respondents
	March 31-April 3, 2023
Strongly agree	16%
Somewhat agree	19%
Somewhat disagree	19%
Strongly disagree	21%
Don't know	25%
Total Agree	35%
Total Disagree	40%

- h. Donald Trump should be disqualified from running for president because of the criminal charges against him

	All Respondents	Democrats	Republicans	Independents
Strongly agree	34%	60%	9%	29%
Somewhat agree	17%	22%	9%	20%
Somewhat disagree	13%	10%	14%	17%
Strongly disagree	29%	4%	62%	26%
Don't know	6%	4%	6%	9%
Total Agree	51%	82%	18%	49%
Total Disagree	43%	14%	75%	43%

- i. Donald Trump is innocent until proven guilty

	All Respondents	Democrats	Republicans	Independents
Strongly agree	56%	42%	75%	60%
Somewhat agree	25%	37%	14%	21%
Somewhat disagree	7%	8%	8%	6%
Strongly disagree	7%	9%	2%	3%
Don't know	5%	4%	2%	10%
Total Agree	81%	79%	89%	81%
Total Disagree	14%	17%	10%	10%



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TM3138Y23. Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements: (Continued)

j. Donald Trump can get a fair trial

	All Respondents	Democrats	Republicans	Independents
Strongly agree	30%	51%	16%	23%
Somewhat agree	22%	26%	15%	28%
Somewhat disagree	15%	8%	20%	18%
Strongly disagree	21%	5%	43%	16%
Don't know	11%	11%	7%	15%
Total Agree	52%	76%	30%	51%
Total Disagree	37%	13%	63%	34%

k. No matter how you feel about Trump's indictment, it is appropriate for him to receive special treatment from law enforcement as a former president

	All Respondents	Democrats	Republicans	Independents
Strongly agree	13%	9%	19%	10%
Somewhat agree	21%	15%	28%	19%
Somewhat disagree	16%	15%	17%	18%
Strongly disagree	41%	52%	29%	43%
Don't know	9%	9%	8%	10%
Total Agree	34%	24%	46%	29%
Total Disagree	57%	67%	45%	61%

TM3140Y23. How does the criminal case against Donald Trump impact your likelihood of voting for him in the 2024 presidential election, if at all?\*

	All Respondents	Democrats	Republicans	Independents
Much more likely to vote for him	15%	5%	33%	8%
Somewhat more likely to vote for him	6%	6%	7%	7%
No impact on my intent to vote	43%	43%	38%	57%
Somewhat less likely to vote for him	5%	5%	5%	5%
Much less likely to vote for him	23%	39%	7%	13%
Not sure	7%	3%	9%	9%
More likely to vote for him	21%	10%	40%	15%
Less likely to vote for him	28%	44%	12%	19%

*\*In previous waves, this question was asked as, "How does the criminal indictment of Donald Trump impact your likelihood of voting for him in the 2024 presidential election, if at all?"*



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TM3140Y23. How does the criminal case against Donald Trump impact your likelihood of voting for him in the 2024 presidential election, if at all?\* (Continued)

	All Respondents
	March 31-April 3, 2023
Much more likely to vote for him	11%
Somewhat more likely to vote for him	4%
No impact on my intent to vote	47%
Somewhat less likely to vote for him	5%
Much less likely to vote for him	23%
Not sure	10%
More likely to vote for him	14%
Less likely to vote for him	28%



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### About the Study

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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 2022 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 3.8 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=1,004, DEFF=1.5, adjusted Confidence Interval=+/-5.3 percentage points).

The poll also has a credibility interval of plus or minus 5.6 percentage points for Democrats, plus or minus 6.3 percentage points for Republicans, and plus or minus 11.0 percentage points for independents.

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