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Reuters/Ipsos February 2024 Survey

Conducted by Ipsos using KnowledgePanel®
A survey of the American general population (ages 18+)

Interview dates: February 9-12, 2024

Number of interviews: 1,237

Number of Democrat interviews: 509

Number of Republican interviews: 502

Number of independent interviews: 135

Margin of error: +/- 2.91 percentage points at the 95% confidence level for all respondents

Margin of error: +/- 5.09 percentage points at the 95% confidence level for Democrat respondents

Margin of error: +/- 5.26 percentage points at the 95% confidence level for Republican respondents

Margin of error: +/- 5.14 percentage points at the 95% confidence level for independent respondents

NOTE: All results show percentages among all respondents, unless otherwise labeled. Reduced bases are unweighted values.

NOTE: * = less than 0.5%, - = no respondents, N/A = not applicable

Annotated Questionnaire:

TM3104Y23. If the election for president were held today and the candidates were Democrat Joe Biden and Republican Donald Trump, for whom would you vote?

	Total (N=1,237)	Democrat (N=509)	Republican (N=502)	Independent (N=135)
Joe Biden (Democrat)	34%	76%	4%	16%
Donald Trump (Republican)	37%	5%	76%	25%
Some other candidate	10%	8%	10%	16%
I wouldn't vote	12%	6%	5%	25%
Don't know / Refused	8%	5%	5%	18%
Skipped	*	-	-	-

TM3214Y24_1. As you may have heard, federal prosecutors decided not to press charges on President Joe Biden following a 15-month federal probe into his possible mishandling of classified documents. Do you agree or disagree with the following statements: Biden was treated fairly

	Total (N=1,237)	Democrat (N=509)	Republican (N=502)	Independent (N=135)
Strongly agree	16%	20%	12%	20%
Somewhat agree	36%	51%	24%	33%
Somewhat disagree	21%	21%	23%	20%
Strongly disagree	22%	6%	39%	21%
Skipped	4%	2%	2%	5%
<i>Agree (Net)</i>	<i>52%</i>	<i>71%</i>	<i>37%</i>	<i>54%</i>
<i>Disagree (Net)</i>	<i>43%</i>	<i>27%</i>	<i>62%</i>	<i>42%</i>

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TM3214Y24_2. As you may have heard, federal prosecutors decided not to press charges on President Joe Biden following a 15-month federal probe into his possible mishandling of classified documents. Do you agree or disagree with the following statements: Biden received special treatment because he is the U.S. president

	Total (N=1,237)	Democrat (N=509)	Republican (N=502)	Independent (N=135)
Strongly agree	25%	6%	45%	24%
Somewhat agree	28%	22%	36%	26%
Somewhat disagree	22%	31%	11%	27%
Strongly disagree	20%	37%	6%	18%
Skipped	4%	3%	1%	4%
<i>Agree (Net)</i>	<i>53%</i>	<i>29%</i>	<i>81%</i>	<i>51%</i>
<i>Disagree (Net)</i>	<i>42%</i>	<i>68%</i>	<i>18%</i>	<i>45%</i>

TM3214Y24_3. As you may have heard, federal prosecutors decided not to press charges on President Joe Biden following a 15-month federal probe into his possible mishandling of classified documents. Do you agree or disagree with the following statements: Biden received special treatment because prosecutors favor his political party

	Total (N=1,237)	Democrat (N=509)	Republican (N=502)	Independent (N=135)
Strongly agree	24%	4%	47%	23%
Somewhat agree	22%	13%	29%	23%
Somewhat disagree	25%	34%	14%	29%
Strongly disagree	25%	46%	9%	19%
Skipped	4%	3%	1%	5%
<i>Agree (Net)</i>	<i>46%</i>	<i>17%</i>	<i>75%</i>	<i>47%</i>
<i>Disagree (Net)</i>	<i>50%</i>	<i>80%</i>	<i>24%</i>	<i>48%</i>

TM3214Y24_4. As you may have heard, federal prosecutors decided not to press charges on President Joe Biden following a 15-month federal probe into his possible mishandling of classified documents. Do you agree or disagree with the following statements: Biden is being mistreated by a prosecutor who opposes his political party

	Total (N=1,237)	Democrat (N=509)	Republican (N=502)	Independent (N=135)
Strongly agree	8%	15%	2%	4%
Somewhat agree	20%	35%	8%	19%
Somewhat disagree	31%	31%	31%	34%
Strongly disagree	37%	16%	58%	36%
Skipped	4%	2%	1%	7%
<i>Agree (Net)</i>	<i>28%</i>	<i>50%</i>	<i>9%</i>	<i>23%</i>
<i>Disagree (Net)</i>	<i>68%</i>	<i>47%</i>	<i>89%</i>	<i>70%</i>





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TM3125Y24. How familiar are you, if at all, with the comment by Special Counsel Robert Hur that a jury would be unlikely to convict Biden because he would present himself as "as a sympathetic, well-meaning, elderly man with a poor memory"?

	Total (N=1,237)	Democrat (N=509)	Republican (N=502)	Independent (N=135)
Very familiar	26%	27%	30%	18%
Somewhat familiar	20%	21%	22%	16%
Not very familiar	18%	16%	19%	20%
I have not heard of this	36%	35%	28%	44%
Skipped	1%	-	*	1%
<i>Very familiar/Somewhat familiar (Net)</i>	<i>46%</i>	<i>49%</i>	<i>53%</i>	<i>34%</i>
<i>Not very familiar/I have not heard of this (Net)</i>	<i>53%</i>	<i>51%</i>	<i>47%</i>	<i>65%</i>

TM3137Y23_14. In your opinion, how believable, if at all, are the following statements? Joe Biden illegally took classified information with him when he left the vice presidency in 2017

	Total (N=1,237)	Democrat (N=509)	Republican (N=502)	Independent (N=135)
Very believable	38%	19%	61%	35%
Somewhat believable	26%	31%	21%	27%
Not very believable	11%	21%	4%	7%
Not at all believable	6%	13%	1%	4%
Not sure	17%	15%	12%	26%
Refused	2%	1%	*	1%
<i>Very/Somewhat believable(Net)</i>	<i>64%</i>	<i>50%</i>	<i>82%</i>	<i>62%</i>
<i>Not very/Not at all believable(Net)</i>	<i>18%</i>	<i>34%</i>	<i>6%</i>	<i>11%</i>

TM3137Y23_15. In your opinion, how believable, if at all, are the following statements? Donald Trump illegally removed classified documents from the White House and stored them at his home at Mar A Lago

	Total (N=1,237)	Democrat (N=509)	Republican (N=502)	Independent (N=135)
Very believable	50%	80%	28%	43%
Somewhat believable	17%	11%	22%	24%
Not very believable	8%	2%	16%	4%
Not at all believable	11%	1%	22%	10%
Not sure	12%	5%	12%	18%
Refused	2%	1%	*	1%
<i>Very/Somewhat believable(Net)</i>	<i>68%</i>	<i>91%</i>	<i>50%</i>	<i>67%</i>
<i>Not very/Not at all believable(Net)</i>	<i>19%</i>	<i>3%</i>	<i>37%</i>	<i>14%</i>





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TM3150Y23. As you may know, classified documents have been found at Joe Biden, Donald Trump, and Mike Pence’s private homes. Pence and Biden both notified, returned and cooperated with officials upon discovery of the documents. The documents in Trump’s possession were obtained through an involuntary search of his property with a search warrant. Trump now faces criminal charges. Prosecutors have notified Mike Pence that he will not face charges, according to media reports. Biden will not be prosecuted. Which of the following comes closest to your opinion about this?

	Total (N=1,237)	Democrat (N=509)	Republican (N=502)	Independent (N=135)
Each of the men are being treated fairly given the circumstances	44%	79%	20%	35%
Former President Trump is being treated unfairly	31%	4%	62%	24%
Not sure	24%	17%	19%	39%
Skipped	1%	*	-	2%

TM3065Y22_1. As you may know, President Joe Biden is 81 years old. Former President Donald Trump is 77 years old. To what extent, if at all, do the following statements describe each of the public figures below: Joe Biden is too old to work in government

	Total (N=1,237)	Democrat (N=509)	Republican (N=502)	Independent (N=135)
Strongly describes	49%	31%	69%	48%
Slightly describes	29%	41%	19%	29%
Doesn’t really describe	11%	16%	6%	11%
Does not describe at all	9%	13%	4%	10%
Refused	3%	*	2%	2%
<i>Strongly describes/Slightly describes (Net)</i>	<i>78%</i>	<i>71%</i>	<i>88%</i>	<i>77%</i>
<i>Doesn’t really describe/Does not describe at all (Net)</i>	<i>20%</i>	<i>28%</i>	<i>10%</i>	<i>21%</i>





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TM3065Y22_2. As you may know, President Joe Biden is 81 years old. Former President Donald Trump is 77 years old. To what extent, if at all, do the following statements describe each of the public figures below: Joe Biden is mentally sharp and able to deal with challenges

	Total (N=1,237)	Democrat (N=509)	Republican (N=502)	Independent (N=135)
Strongly describes	14%	24%	5%	14%
Slightly describes	21%	39%	6%	19%
Doesn't really describe	20%	25%	15%	25%
Does not describe at all	42%	12%	73%	40%
Refused	3%	1%	1%	2%
<i>Strongly describes/Slightly describes (Net)</i>	35%	63%	11%	33%
<i>Doesn't really describe/Does not describe at all (Net)</i>	62%	37%	88%	65%

TM3065Y22_3. As you may know, President Joe Biden is 81 years old. Former President Donald Trump is 77 years old. To what extent, if at all, do the following statements describe each of the public figures below: Donald Trump is too old to work in government

	Total (N=1,237)	Democrat (N=509)	Republican (N=502)	Independent (N=135)
Strongly describes	26%	39%	11%	31%
Slightly describes	27%	35%	24%	24%
Doesn't really describe	23%	16%	29%	23%
Does not describe at all	21%	9%	35%	20%
Refused	3%	1%	1%	2%
<i>Strongly describes/Slightly describes (Net)</i>	53%	74%	36%	55%
<i>Doesn't really describe/Does not describe at all (Net)</i>	44%	25%	63%	43%





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TM3065Y22_4. As you may know, President Joe Biden is 81 years old. Former President Donald Trump is 77 years old. To what extent, if at all, do the following statements describe each of the public figures below: Donald Trump is mentally sharp and able to deal with challenges

	Total (N=1,237)	Democrat (N=509)	Republican (N=502)	Independent (N=135)
Strongly describes	28%	5%	53%	24%
Slightly describes	22%	16%	27%	25%
Doesn't really describe	19%	28%	11%	22%
Does not describe at all	28%	50%	8%	27%
Refused	3%	1%	1%	2%
<i>Strongly describes/Slightly describes (Net)</i>	<i>50%</i>	<i>21%</i>	<i>80%</i>	<i>49%</i>
<i>Doesn't really describe/Does not describe at all (Net)</i>	<i>47%</i>	<i>78%</i>	<i>19%</i>	<i>49%</i>

TM3181Y23_1. If all other things were equal, would you vote for Donald Trump for president in 2024 if he is/has been... Convicted of a felony crime by a jury

	Total (N=1,237)	Democrat (N=509)	Republican (N=502)	Independent (N=135)
Would vote for Donald Trump	25%	5%	51%	17%
Would NOT vote for Donald Trump	55%	90%	24%	51%
Don't know	19%	5%	25%	31%
Refused	1%	-	*	1%

TM3181Y23_2. If all other things were equal, would you vote for Donald Trump for president in 2024 if he is/has been... Currently serving time in prison

	Total (N=1,237)	Democrat (N=509)	Republican (N=502)	Independent (N=135)
Would vote for Donald Trump	23%	5%	43%	18%
Would NOT vote for Donald Trump	58%	90%	32%	52%
Don't know	18%	5%	24%	30%
Refused	1%	-	*	1%





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TM1978Y20. In the 2020 presidential election, did you vote for Donald Trump or Joe Biden?

	Total (N=1,237)	Democrat (N=509)	Republican (N=502)	Independent (N=135)
Donald Trump	32%	4%	70%	20%
Joe Biden	36%	75%	6%	26%
Some other candidate	4%	2%	5%	4%
I did not vote in the 2020 presidential election	23%	18%	17%	36%
Not sure	5%	2%	3%	13%
Skipped	*	-	-	1%





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About the Study

This Ipsos poll was conducted February 9-12, 2024, by Ipsos for Reuters using the probability-based KnowledgePanel®. This poll is based on a representative probability sample of 1,237 general population adults age 18 or older in the United States. The sample includes 509 Democrats, 502 Republicans, and 135 Independents.

The margin of sampling error for this study is plus or minus 2.91 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 1.09. The margin of sampling error is higher and varies for results based on other sub-samples. 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. The poll also has a margin of plus or minus 5.09 percentage points for Democrats, plus or minus 5.26 percentage points for Republicans, and plus or minus 5.14 percentage points for independents. The margin of sampling error takes into account the design effect, which is 1.03 among Democrats, 2.03 among Republicans, and 1.03 among independents.

The survey was conducted using KnowledgePanel, the largest and most well-established online probability-based panel that is representative of the adult U.S. 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 data for the total sample were weighted to adjust for gender by age, race/ethnicity, Census region, education, household income, metropolitan status, and political party identification. The demographic benchmarks came from the 2023 March Supplement of the Current Population Survey (CPS). Political Party Benchmarks came from high quality polling. More details about the weighting benchmarks for this study can be found below:

- Gender (Male, Female) by Age (18–29, 30–44, 45–59, and 60+)
- Race/Hispanic Ethnicity (White Non-Hispanic, Black Non-Hispanic, Other or 2+ Races Non-Hispanic, Hispanic)
- Education (High School graduate or less, Some College, Bachelors 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+)
- Political party (Republican, Democrat, Independent, Other/Not Asked/Skipped)





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