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Chicago Council/Ipsos Flash Survey

Conducted by Ipsos using KnowledgePanel®
A survey of the American general population (ages 18+)
 Interview dates: June 20 - 23, 2025
 Number of interviews: 1,144

Margin of error: +/- 3.0 percentage points at the 95% confidence level for all 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:

BVR_Q325A_1. In your opinion, are the following countries playing a very positive, somewhat positive, somewhat negative or very negative role in resolving the key problems facing the Middle East? United States

| | Total (N=1,144) | Republican (N=335) | Democrat (N=337) | Independent (N=350) |
|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Very positive | 16% | 37% | 5% | 9% |
| Somewhat positive | 28% | 43% | 14% | 31% |
| Somewhat negative | 28% | 11% | 41% | 31% |
| Very negative | 22% | 4% | 34% | 25% |
| Skipped | 7% | 5% | 6% | 4% |
| Positive (Net) | 44% | 80% | 19% | 40% |
| Negative (Net) | 50% | 15% | 75% | 56% |

BVR_Q325A_2. In your opinion, are the following countries playing a very positive, somewhat positive, somewhat negative or very negative role in resolving the key problems facing the Middle East? Iran

| | Total (N=1,144) | Republican (N=335) | Democrat (N=337) | Independent (N=350) |
|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Very positive | 2% | 2% | 1% | 1% |
| Somewhat positive | 7% | 8% | 3% | 8% |
| Somewhat negative | 32% | 24% | 38% | 32% |
| Very negative | 53% | 62% | 49% | 52% |
| Skipped | 7% | 4% | 8% | 6% |
| Positive (Net) | 9% | 10% | 5% | 10% |
| Negative (Net) | 84% | 85% | 87% | 85% |

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BVR_Q325A_3. In your opinion, are the following countries playing a very positive, somewhat positive, somewhat negative or very negative role in resolving the key problems facing the Middle East? Israel

| | Total (N=1,144) | Republican (N=335) | Democrat (N=337) | Independent (N=350) |
|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Very positive | 13% | 31% | 2% | 9% |
| Somewhat positive | 19% | 30% | 9% | 21% |
| Somewhat negative | 28% | 21% | 35% | 27% |
| Very negative | 33% | 13% | 47% | 38% |
| Skipped | 7% | 4% | 8% | 5% |
| Positive (Net) | 32% | 62% | 10% | 30% |
| Negative (Net) | 61% | 34% | 82% | 65% |

BVR_Q325A_4. In your opinion, are the following countries playing a very positive, somewhat positive, somewhat negative or very negative role in resolving the key problems facing the Middle East? Saudi Arabia

| | Total (N=1,144) | Republican (N=335) | Democrat (N=337) | Independent (N=350) |
|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Very positive | 4% | 7% | 1% | 2% |
| Somewhat positive | 26% | 37% | 16% | 31% |
| Somewhat negative | 43% | 37% | 50% | 41% |
| Very negative | 18% | 13% | 24% | 18% |
| Skipped | 9% | 5% | 9% | 8% |
| Positive (Net) | 30% | 44% | 17% | 33% |
| Negative (Net) | 61% | 50% | 74% | 59% |

BVR_Q2I. How closely are you following news about the conflict between Israel and Iran?

| | Total (N=1,144) | Republican (N=335) | Democrat (N=337) | Independent (N=350) |
|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Very closely | 18% | 21% | 17% | 20% |
| Somewhat closely | 34% | 37% | 35% | 38% |
| Not too closely | 31% | 26% | 36% | 31% |
| Not at all | 15% | 16% | 11% | 11% |
| Skipped | 1% | 1% | 1% | 1% |
| Closely (Net) | 52% | 58% | 51% | 57% |
| Not closely (Net) | 46% | 41% | 48% | 42% |

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BVR_Q729_A. As you may know, Israel launched an attack on Iran's nuclear and missile facilities, killing several Iranian military commanders and nuclear scientists. Iran retaliated with ballistic missiles and the two countries have since exchanged several rounds of airstrikes. Do you think each of the following actions is justified or unjustified? Israel's attack on Iranian nuclear sites

| | Total (N=1,144) | Republican (N=335) | Democrat (N=337) | Independent (N=350) |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Justified | 32% | 55% | 16% | 31% |
| Unjustified | 27% | 10% | 40% | 34% |
| I don't know enough to say | 38% | 33% | 42% | 33% |
| Skipped | 3% | 2% | 2% | 2% |

BVR_Q729_B. As you may know, Israel launched an attack on Iran's nuclear and missile facilities, killing several Iranian military commanders and nuclear scientists. Iran retaliated with ballistic missiles and the two countries have since exchanged several rounds of airstrikes. Do you think each of the following actions is justified or unjustified? Iran's retaliation against Israel

| | Total (N=1,144) | Republican (N=335) | Democrat (N=337) | Independent (N=350) |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Justified | 30% | 21% | 35% | 37% |
| Unjustified | 27% | 42% | 20% | 26% |
| I don't know enough to say | 40% | 35% | 43% | 35% |
| Skipped | 3% | 2% | 2% | 2% |

BVR_Q731. The United States possesses the only "bunker buster bomb" powerful enough to destroy Iran's underground nuclear facilities. Do you favor or oppose US forces using this weapon to weaken Iran's ability to develop nuclear weapons?

| | Total (N=1,144) | Republican (N=335) | Democrat (N=337) | Independent (N=350) |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Favor | 27% | 52% | 13% | 22% |
| Oppose | 35% | 14% | 51% | 42% |
| I don't know enough to say | 37% | 33% | 35% | 36% |
| Skipped | 1% | 1% | 1% | 1% |

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BVR_QIR1_B. If Iran attacks US military or diplomatic personnel in the Middle East, would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose the United States taking each of the following actions...? Conduct airstrikes against Iran's military facilities

| | Total (N=1,144) | Republican (N=335) | Democrat (N=337) | Independent (N=350) |
|------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Strongly support | 29% | 52% | 17% | 24% |
| Somewhat support | 27% | 27% | 28% | 29% |
| Somewhat oppose | 18% | 13% | 23% | 18% |
| Strongly oppose | 19% | 5% | 26% | 25% |
| Skipped | 6% | 2% | 6% | 4% |
| Support (Net) | 56% | 79% | 45% | 53% |
| Oppose (Net) | 38% | 18% | 49% | 43% |

BVR_QIR1_D. If Iran attacks US military or diplomatic personnel in the Middle East, would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose the United States taking each of the following actions...? Carry out targeted assassinations of Iranian military personnel

| | Total (N=1,144) | Republican (N=335) | Democrat (N=337) | Independent (N=350) |
|------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Strongly support | 24% | 46% | 12% | 18% |
| Somewhat support | 25% | 26% | 26% | 30% |
| Somewhat oppose | 24% | 18% | 28% | 24% |
| Strongly oppose | 21% | 7% | 27% | 24% |
| Skipped | 7% | 3% | 7% | 5% |
| Support (Net) | 49% | 72% | 38% | 47% |
| Oppose (Net) | 44% | 26% | 55% | 48% |

BVR_QIR1_E. If Iran attacks US military or diplomatic personnel in the Middle East, would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose the United States taking each of the following actions...? Send US troops to destroy Iran's military facilities

| | Total (N=1,144) | Republican (N=335) | Democrat (N=337) | Independent (N=350) |
|------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Strongly support | 18% | 32% | 8% | 15% |
| Somewhat support | 21% | 26% | 20% | 20% |
| Somewhat oppose | 24% | 24% | 26% | 23% |
| Strongly oppose | 31% | 16% | 40% | 37% |
| Skipped | 6% | 3% | 5% | 5% |
| Support (Net) | 39% | 58% | 28% | 35% |
| Oppose (Net) | 55% | 39% | 67% | 60% |



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BVR_QIR1_F. If Iran attacks US military or diplomatic personnel in the Middle East, would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose the United States taking each of the following actions...? Send US troops to overthrow the Iranian government

| | Total (N=1,144) | Republican (N=335) | Democrat (N=337) | Independent (N=350) |
|------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Strongly support | 14% | 26% | 7% | 11% |
| Somewhat support | 17% | 25% | 12% | 18% |
| Somewhat oppose | 25% | 25% | 27% | 22% |
| Strongly oppose | 38% | 21% | 48% | 45% |
| Skipped | 6% | 3% | 6% | 4% |
| Support (Net) | 31% | 51% | 18% | 29% |
| Oppose (Net) | 63% | 46% | 76% | 67% |



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About the Study

The study was conducted June 20 - 23, 2025 by Ipsos using its large-scale, nationwide, online research panel, KnowledgePanel, among a weighted national sample of 1,144 adults 18 or older living in all 50 US states and the District of Columbia. The margin of sampling error for the full sample is ± 3.0 percentage points including a design effect of 1.08.

The data for the total sample were weighted to adjust for gender by age, race/ethnicity, education, Census region, metropolitan status, and household income using demographic benchmarks from the 2024 March Supplement of the Current Population Survey (CPS).

Specific categories used were:

- Gender (Male, Female) by Age (18–29, 30–44, 45-59 and 60+)
- Race/Hispanic Ethnicity (White Non-Hispanic, Black Non-Hispanic, Other, Non-Hispanic, Hispanic, 2+ Races, Non-Hispanic)
- Education (Less than High School, High School, Some College, Bachelor or higher)
- 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+)

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