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Reuters/Ipsos Iran Airstrike Survey

Conducted by Ipsos using KnowledgePanel®
A survey of the American general population (ages 18+)
Interview dates: February 28 – March 1, 2026
Number of interviews: 1,282
Number of interviews, Democrats: 350
Number of interviews, Republicans: 402
Number of interviews, independents: 530

Margin of error: +/- 2.8 percentage points at the 95% confidence level for all respondents
Margin of error: +/- 5.4 percentage points at the 95% confidence level for Democratic respondents
Margin of error: +/- 5.0 percentage points at the 95% confidence level for Republican respondents
Margin of error: +/- 4.4 percentage points at the 95% confidence level for independent/other 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

1. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as president?

	Total (N=1,282)	Democrat (N=350)	Republican (N=402)	Independent (N=530)
Strongly approve	19%	2%	47%	10%
Somewhat approve	19%	3%	35%	18%
Somewhat disapprove	13%	9%	13%	16%
Strongly disapprove	47%	86%	5%	51%
Skipped	2%	-	*	4%
Approve (Net)	38%	5%	82%	29%
Disapprove (Net)	60%	95%	18%	67%

2. **[ASKED IF Q1 = SKIPPED]** If you had to choose, do you lean more towards approve or disapprove?

	Total (N=20)	Democrat (N=0)	Republican (N=1)	Independent (N=19)
Approve	14%	-	100%	10%
Disapprove	5%	-	-	5%
Skipped	81%	-	-	85%

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3. Do you approve or disapprove of the way President Donald Trump is handling the following issues?

Total Approve Summary

	Total	Democrat	Republican	Independent
Immigration	39%	7%	80%	30%
Crime	39%	9%	79%	31%
The U.S. economy	35%	6%	77%	23%
U.S. foreign policy	35%	7%	73%	26%
Your cost of living	29%	4%	67%	19%
Inflation/rising prices	29%	4%	67%	19%

a. The U.S. economy

	Total	Democrat	Republican	Independent
Strongly approve	17%	2%	41%	10%
Somewhat approve	18%	4%	36%	14%
Somewhat disapprove	15%	12%	12%	18%
Strongly disapprove	45%	81%	7%	47%
Don't know	4%	1%	3%	7%
Skipped	2%	1%	*	3%
Approve (Net)	35%	6%	77%	23%
Disapprove (Net)	59%	92%	20%	66%

b. Immigration

	Total	Democrat	Republican	Independent
Strongly approve	27%	2%	61%	19%
Somewhat approve	12%	6%	19%	11%
Somewhat disapprove	12%	9%	9%	15%
Strongly disapprove	44%	82%	7%	45%
Don't know	4%	1%	4%	6%
Skipped	2%	*	*	4%
Approve (Net)	39%	7%	80%	30%
Disapprove (Net)	56%	91%	16%	60%

c. Your cost of living

	Total	Democrat	Republican	Independent
Strongly approve	12%	2%	30%	7%
Somewhat approve	17%	2%	37%	12%
Somewhat disapprove	17%	15%	17%	20%
Strongly disapprove	47%	80%	11%	50%
Don't know	5%	1%	4%	8%
Skipped	2%	*	1%	4%
Approve (Net)	29%	4%	67%	19%
Disapprove (Net)	64%	95%	28%	69%

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3. Do you approve or disapprove of the way President Donald Trump is handling the following issues? *(Continued)*

   d. Crime

	Total	Democrat	Republican	Independent
Strongly approve	24%	2%	56%	16%
Somewhat approve	15%	7%	23%	15%
Somewhat disapprove	14%	16%	9%	17%
Strongly disapprove	37%	71%	5%	37%
Don't know	8%	4%	6%	11%
Skipped	2%	*	2%	4%
Approve (Net)	39%	9%	79%	31%
Disapprove (Net)	51%	87%	14%	53%

   e. U.S. foreign policy

	Total	Democrat	Republican	Independent
Strongly approve	20%	2%	48%	13%
Somewhat approve	14%	4%	25%	13%
Somewhat disapprove	12%	7%	13%	15%
Strongly disapprove	44%	82%	7%	46%
Don't know	7%	4%	6%	10%
Skipped	2%	*	1%	3%
Approve (Net)	35%	7%	73%	26%
Disapprove (Net)	56%	89%	20%	61%

   f. Inflation/rising prices

	Total	Democrat	Republican	Independent
Strongly approve	13%	2%	31%	7%
Somewhat approve	17%	2%	36%	13%
Somewhat disapprove	17%	12%	18%	19%
Strongly disapprove	48%	82%	10%	52%
Don't know	4%	1%	4%	6%
Skipped	2%	*	1%	3%
Approve (Net)	29%	4%	67%	19%
Disapprove (Net)	65%	94%	28%	71%

4. How much, if anything, have you heard about recent U.S. military strikes against Iran?

	Total	Democrat	Republican	Independent
A lot	29%	34%	30%	26%
A little	57%	59%	56%	56%
Nothing at all	13%	7%	14%	16%
Skipped	1%	-	-	2%

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5. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of U.S. military strikes against Iran?

	Total	Democrat	Republican	Independent
Approve	27%	7%	55%	19%
Disapprove	43%	74%	13%	44%
Not sure	29%	19%	31%	35%
Skipped	1%	-	*	3%

6. Would you be more likely to support or oppose continued U.S. military action in Iran if this leads to…

   a. A government change in Iran that is friendly to the United States

	Total	Democrat	Republican	Independent
More likely to support	47%	30%	69%	41%
More likely to oppose	5%	8%	3%	6%
No change in my opinion	29%	41%	16%	29%
Not sure	18%	20%	12%	20%
Skipped	2%	1%	*	4%

   b. An end to the Iranian nuclear program

	Total	Democrat	Republican	Independent
More likely to support	48%	32%	73%	42%
More likely to oppose	7%	12%	4%	5%
No change in my opinion	27%	37%	14%	29%
Not sure	16%	18%	8%	21%
Skipped	2%	1%	1%	4%

   c. Russia no longer being able to purchase Iranian-made weapons for Russia's war effort in Ukraine

	Total	Democrat	Republican	Independent
More likely to support	46%	36%	66%	39%
More likely to oppose	6%	9%	4%	5%
No change in my opinion	27%	35%	16%	30%
Not sure	19%	20%	13%	22%
Skipped	2%	1%	1%	4%

   d. A broader conflict in the Middle East involving many countries

	Total	Democrat	Republican	Independent
More likely to support	9%	4%	18%	5%
More likely to oppose	45%	62%	29%	46%
No change in my opinion	25%	20%	31%	23%
Not sure	19%	14%	21%	22%
Skipped	2%	-	1%	4%

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6. Would you be more likely to support or oppose continued U.S. military action in Iran if this leads to… *(Continued)*

   e. U.S. troops in the Middle East being killed or injured

	Total	Democrat	Republican	Independent
More likely to support	6%	4%	11%	4%
More likely to oppose	54%	67%	42%	53%
No change in my opinion	25%	17%	32%	24%
Not sure	14%	11%	15%	15%
Skipped	2%	1%	*	3%

   f. Increased gas/oil prices in the United States

	Total	Democrat	Republican	Independent
More likely to support	5%	3%	10%	3%
More likely to oppose	45%	57%	34%	44%
No change in my opinion	35%	30%	42%	33%
Not sure	14%	10%	14%	17%
Skipped	2%	*	*	3%

7. Which of the following comes closest to your opinion, even if neither are exactly right? Donald Trump's willingness to use military force around the world...

	Total	Democrat	Republican	Independent
weakens the U.S. position in the world	48%	81%	12%	52%
strengthens the U.S. position in the world	48%	17%	87%	40%
Skipped	4%	2%	*	7%

8. Which of the following comes closest to your opinion of Donald Trump's willingness to use military force, even if none is exactly right? Donald Trump...

	Total	Democrat	Republican	Independent
is too willing to use military force to advance U.S. interests	56%	87%	23%	60%
is not willing enough to use military force to advance U.S. interests	5%	6%	3%	6%
has about the right level of willingness to use military force to advance U.S. interests	35%	7%	73%	26%
Skipped	4%	1%	*	8%

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About the Study

This Reuters/Ipsos poll was conducted February 28 – March 1, 2026, by Ipsos for Reuters using the probability-based KnowledgePanel®. This poll is based on a nationally representative probability sample of 1,282 general population adults aged 18 or older.

The study was conducted in English. The data were weighted to adjust for gender by age, race and ethnicity, census region, metropolitan status, education, household income, 2024 vote choice and political party identification. Political party identification benchmarks are from the 2025 NPORS annual survey, with a midyear adjustment estimated across aggregated KnowledgePanel surveys accounting for changes in panelists' party identification over time. The demographic benchmarks came from the 2025 March supplement of the U.S. Census Bureau's Current Population Survey (CPS).

- 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's degree, Master's degree 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+)
- 2024 Vote Choice (Trump, Harris, Another candidate, Did not vote)
- Political Party ID (Democrat, Lean Democrat, Republican, Lean Republican, Independent/Something else)

The margin of sampling error is plus or minus 2.8 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 1.05. The margin of sampling error is higher and varies for results based on 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.

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