

NBC News | SurveyMonkey Poll Results

The NBC News | SurveyMonkey poll was conducted online from Friday, July 20 through Thursday, July 26, 2018. Results are among a national sample of 5,145 adults aged 18 and over, including 4,526 registered voters. The results below are among registered voters. The error estimate for registered voters is plus or minus 2.0 percentage points.

Subgroup error estimates can be found in the methodology section below.

TOPLINE RESULTS

Which one of the following issues matters MOST to you right now?

	<u>Foreign policy</u>	<u>The environment</u>	<u>Terrorism</u>	<u>Immigration</u>	<u>Health care</u>	<u>Jobs and the economy</u>	<u>Education</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>No answer</u>
7/20—7/26/2018	8	9	4	16	20	25	7	10	1

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as president?

	<u>Strongly approve</u>	<u>Somewhat approve</u>	<u>Somewhat disapprove</u>	<u>Strongly disapprove</u>	<u>No answer</u>
7/20—7/26/2018	28	16	9	46	1

If the 2018 November elections for U.S. Congress were being held today, in your district, would you vote for the:

	<u>Democratic Party candidate</u>	<u>Republican Party candidate</u>	<u>Would not vote</u>	<u>No answer</u>
7/20—7/26/2018	49	41	7	2

What one word would you use to describe the Republican Party? [OPEN-ENDED]

What one word would you use to describe the Democratic Party? [OPEN-ENDED]

INTRO: We'd like you to rate how you feel towards the Republican and Democratic parties on a scale of 0 to 10, which we will call a "feeling thermometer." On this feeling thermometer scale, ratings between 0 and 4 mean that you feel negative and cold (with 0 being the most negative/coldest). A rating between 6 and 10 means you feel positive and warm (with 10 being the most positive/warmest). A rating of 5 means you have no feelings one way or the other.

On a scale of 0-10, how would you rate the Republican Party?

	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>No answer</u>
7/20—7/26/2018	26	7	8	6	5	10	7	10	10	4	5	1
1/18—1/24/2016	23	8	8	6	5	17	7	8	8	2	5	1
12/28/2015—1/3/2016	21	9	8	8	6	16	8	8	7	2	4	1

On a scale of 0-10, how would you rate the Democratic Party?

	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>No answer</u>
7/20—7/26/2018	21	9	8	6	7	12	9	11	9	3	5	1
1/18—1/24/2016	20	7	6	5	4	16	7	10	11	4	6	1
12/28/2015—1/3/2016	21	7	8	6	5	15	7	10	9	4	7	1

Do you agree or disagree that by participating in politics, you can make a difference?

	<u>Strongly agree</u>	<u>Somewhat agree</u>	<u>Somewhat disagree</u>	<u>Strongly disagree</u>	<u>No answer</u>
7/20—7/26/2018	33	47	13	7	0
4/20—4/27/2018	29	46	16	8	1

Which of these statements comes closer to your view, even if neither is exactly right? How someone thinks about politics...

	<u>Says a lot about a person's character</u>	<u>Doesn't say much about a person's character</u>	<u>No answer</u>
7/20—7/26/2018	71	27	2

How comfortable are you having close personal friends who are Democrats?

	<u>Very comfortable</u>	<u>Somewhat comfortable</u>	<u>Not too comfortable</u>	<u>Not at all comfortable</u>	<u>No answer</u>
7/20—7/26/2018	62	27	7	3	1

How comfortable are you having close personal friends who are Republicans?

	<u>Very comfortable</u>	<u>Somewhat comfortable</u>	<u>Not too comfortable</u>	<u>Not at all comfortable</u>	<u>No answer</u>
7/20—7/26/2018	54	27	13	5	1

How well would you say democracy is working in the United States under President Trump today?

	<u>Very well</u>	<u>Somewhat well</u>	<u>Not too well</u>	<u>Not at all well</u>	<u>No answer</u>
7/20—7/26/2018	20	25	24	31	1

How well would you say democracy was working in the United States two years ago before President Trump took office?

	<u>Very well</u>	<u>Somewhat well</u>	<u>Not too well</u>	<u>Not at all well</u>	<u>No answer</u>
7/20—7/26/2018	19	37	25	18	1

Which word best describes how the Republican Party makes you feel?

	<u>Frustrated</u>	<u>Angry</u>	<u>Afraid</u>	<u>Hopeful</u>	<u>Enthusiastic</u>	<u>Proud</u>	<u>None of these</u>	<u>No answer</u>
7/20—7/26/2018	24	18	17	22	5	6	8	1

Which word best describes how the Democratic Party makes you feel?

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7/20—7/26/2018	32	14	12	27	2	3	9	1

Would you say that since the 2016 presidential election, your views on most political issues have become:

	<u>More liberal</u>	<u>More conservative</u>	<u>More moderate</u>	<u>Haven't changed</u>	<u>No answer</u>
7/20—7/26/2018	18	20	11	49	1

Thinking about the upcoming midterm elections, will your vote mainly be:

	<u>For your candidate</u>	<u>Against his or her opponents</u>	<u>Don't plan to vote</u>	<u>No answer</u>
7/20—7/26/2018	75	14	8	2

METHODOLOGY

The NBC News|SurveyMonkey poll was conducted online among a national sample of 5,145 adults aged 18 and over, including 4,526 who say they are registered to vote from July 20 through July 26, 2018. Respondents for this survey were selected from the nearly three million people who take surveys on the SurveyMonkey platform each day. Data for this week has been weighted for age, race, sex, education and region using the Census Bureau's American Community Survey to reflect the demographic composition of the United States.

Because the sample is based on those who initially self-selected for participation rather than a probability sample, no estimates of sampling error can be calculated. All surveys may be subject to multiple sources of error, including, but not limited to sampling error, coverage error, and measurement error.

To assess the variability in the estimates and account for design effects, we create a bootstrap confidence interval to produce an error estimate. The bootstrap confidence interval for this survey is plus or minus 2.0 percentage points.

To calculate the bootstrap confidence interval, we use the weighted data to generate 10,000 independent samples and calculate the 95% confidence intervals for the weighted average. When analyzing the survey results and their accuracy, this error estimate should be taken into consideration in much the same way that analysis of probability polls takes into account the margin of sampling error.

Group	Unweighted N	Plus or minus
Total sample	1.9	5,145
Total RVs	2.0	4,526
Republican RVs	3.0	1,801
Democrat RVs	2.9	2,192
Independent RVs	5.6	496