

CBS News Poll – October 4-6, 2023

Adults in the U.S.



Sample 2,155 Adults in the U.S.
 Margin of Error ±2.9%

1. Generally speaking, do you feel things in America today are going...	
Very well	4%
Somewhat well	24%
Somewhat badly	37%
Very badly	35%
2. How would you rate the condition of the national economy today?	
Very good	5%
Fairly good	24%
Fairly bad	33%
Very bad	33%
Not sure	5%
3. As you and your family plan for the next year, are you doing so expecting the U.S. economy to be...	
Booming	3%
Growing, but not booming	16%
Holding steady	21%
Slowing, but not in recession	27%
In recession	33%
4. Is your view of the Democratic Party...	
Favorable	42%
Unfavorable	58%
5. Is your view of the Republican Party...	
Favorable	37%
Unfavorable	63%
6. As you may know, Congress recently avoided a government shutdown by agreeing to keep the federal government open and funded. Do you approve or disapprove of that agreement?	
Approve	50%
Disapprove	16%
Haven't heard enough to say	33%
7. How much attention have you paid to recent news about the U.S. House of Representatives voting to remove Kevin McCarthy as Speaker of the House?	
A lot	27%
Some	37%
Not much	21%
None	15%

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8. Do you approve or disapprove of the U.S. House of Representatives removing Kevin McCarthy as Speaker?

Approve of removing McCarthy	60%
Disapprove of removing McCarthy	40%

9. Which, if any, of these are reasons you approve?

Among those who approve of removing McCarthy

	Reason	Not a reason
McCarthy wasn't effective	75%	25%
I'd only support a Democratic speaker	26%	74%
McCarthy worked with Democrats	30%	70%
McCarthy did not pay enough attention to "MAGA"	25%	75%
McCarthy paid too much attention to "MAGA"	39%	61%
McCarthy prevented a government shutdown	23%	77%
It will disrupt Washington	30%	70%

10. Which, if any, of these are reasons you disapprove?

Among those who disapprove of removing McCarthy

	Reason	Not a reason
McCarthy was effective	46%	54%
I just support congressional Republicans	28%	72%
McCarthy worked with Democrats	45%	55%
McCarthy did not pay enough attention to "MAGA"	19%	81%
McCarthy stood up to "MAGA"	40%	60%
McCarthy prevented a government shutdown	59%	41%
It will disrupt Washington	54%	46%

11. Do you think the U.S. House removing Kevin McCarthy and looking for a replacement will be:

Good for the country	25%
Bad for the country	23%
Not change the country either way	51%

12. Do you think the U.S. House removing Kevin McCarthy and looking for a replacement will:

Boost confidence the U.S. economy	15%
Lower confidence the U.S. economy	24%
Not change confidence in the U.S. economy	61%

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13. As you may know, the Republican party has majority control of the House of Representatives, and the Speaker of the House typically comes from the majority party. As Republicans in the House consider their new Speaker, would you prefer that new Republican Speaker be someone who will...

	Yes	No
Be loyal to Donald Trump	31%	69%
Try to work with Democrats	71%	29%
Is part of the "MAGA" movement	31%	69%
Stand up to the "MAGA" movement	51%	49%
Try to shut down the government in November	14%	86%
Try to impeach Joe Biden	42%	58%
Try to cut federal spending	64%	36%

14. Overall, have the events in the House of Representatives surrounding the removal of Kevin McCarthy made you feel: CHECK ALL THAT APPLY

Worried	54%
Confident	22%
Happy	17%
Angry	16%

22. Do you consider yourself part of the MAGA movement, or not?

Among Republicans

Yes, MAGA	41%
No, not MAGA	40%
Not sure what that is	19%

Questions held for future release.

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1. Things in America

Generally speaking, do you feel things in America today are going...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very well	4%	6%	2%	10%	5%	2%	2%	8%	4%	2%
Somewhat well	24%	24%	23%	40%	21%	18%	19%	37%	26%	6%
Somewhat badly	37%	33%	42%	32%	48%	34%	34%	38%	38%	35%
Very badly	35%	37%	33%	17%	26%	46%	45%	17%	32%	56%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	(2,152)	(1,049)	(1,104)	(451)	(544)	(700)	(457)	(556)	(749)	(633)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Very well	4%	9%	1%	3%	4%	6%	7%	4%	4%
Somewhat well	24%	41%	17%	11%	21%	36%	23%	18%	25%
Somewhat badly	37%	35%	40%	36%	36%	39%	36%	36%	38%
Very badly	35%	15%	42%	50%	39%	19%	33%	42%	33%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,152)	(669)	(736)	(599)	(1,353)	(265)	(347)	(843)	(510)

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2. Condition of National Economy

How would you rate the condition of the national economy today?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very good	5%	6%	4%	9%	4%	3%	5%	10%	5%	2%
Fairly good	24%	27%	22%	34%	21%	21%	23%	39%	29%	9%
Fairly bad	33%	31%	35%	33%	36%	32%	30%	29%	36%	32%
Very bad	33%	32%	33%	17%	33%	39%	38%	17%	26%	54%
Not sure	5%	4%	6%	7%	6%	5%	3%	5%	4%	3%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,153)	(1,049)	(1,104)	(451)	(543)	(701)	(457)	(555)	(749)	(633)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Very good	5%	11%	3%	3%	5%	7%	6%	5%	5%
Fairly good	24%	45%	15%	14%	24%	32%	21%	18%	32%
Fairly bad	33%	28%	36%	33%	32%	31%	37%	30%	35%
Very bad	33%	11%	40%	47%	35%	21%	31%	41%	25%
Not sure	5%	5%	6%	3%	4%	9%	4%	6%	2%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%
Weighted N	(2,153)	(669)	(737)	(599)	(1,352)	(266)	(347)	(842)	(510)

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3. Expectations for U.S. Economy

As you and your family plan for the next year, are you doing so expecting the U.S. economy to be...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Booming	3%	3%	4%	9%	4%	1%	1%	6%	3%	1%
Growing, but not booming	16%	19%	13%	25%	13%	12%	17%	23%	17%	8%
Holding steady	21%	19%	23%	24%	19%	21%	22%	27%	25%	10%
Slowing, but not in recession	27%	23%	30%	21%	28%	29%	27%	19%	29%	30%
In recession	33%	36%	30%	21%	36%	37%	33%	24%	25%	50%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	99%
Weighted N	(2,145)	(1,044)	(1,102)	(448)	(544)	(701)	(452)	(556)	(747)	(633)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Booming	3%	7%	1%	3%	3%	5%	4%	4%	2%
Growing, but not booming	16%	28%	11%	9%	15%	29%	13%	12%	18%
Holding steady	21%	31%	16%	15%	20%	24%	22%	18%	24%
Slowing, but not in recession	27%	20%	28%	31%	27%	19%	30%	28%	25%
In recession	33%	13%	44%	42%	35%	23%	31%	38%	31%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,145)	(669)	(730)	(599)	(1,350)	(266)	(341)	(840)	(510)

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4. View of Democratic Party

Is your view of the Democratic Party...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Favorable	42%	39%	44%	57%	43%	34%	37%	74%	47%	9%
Unfavorable	58%	61%	56%	43%	57%	66%	63%	26%	53%	91%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,142)	(1,050)	(1,092)	(449)	(538)	(698)	(456)	(556)	(749)	(633)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Favorable	42%	90%	26%	7%	37%	59%	44%	33%	44%
Unfavorable	58%	10%	74%	93%	63%	41%	56%	67%	56%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,142)	(671)	(734)	(599)	(1,350)	(266)	(338)	(841)	(509)

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5. View of Republican Party

Is your view of the Republican Party...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Favorable	37%	40%	34%	38%	34%	37%	40%	17%	30%	66%
Unfavorable	63%	60%	66%	62%	66%	63%	60%	83%	70%	34%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,138)	(1,046)	(1,092)	(449)	(537)	(696)	(456)	(556)	(747)	(632)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Favorable	37%	11%	25%	82%	41%	24%	34%	46%	33%
Unfavorable	63%	89%	75%	18%	59%	76%	66%	54%	67%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,138)	(671)	(731)	(599)	(1,347)	(266)	(337)	(840)	(507)

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6. Approval of Avoiding Shutdown

As you may know, Congress recently avoided a government shutdown by agreeing to keep the federal government open and funded. Do you approve or disapprove of that agreement?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Approve	50%	52%	49%	45%	51%	48%	58%	68%	53%	40%
Disapprove	16%	21%	12%	9%	12%	20%	23%	4%	13%	34%
Haven't heard enough to say	33%	27%	39%	46%	37%	32%	19%	28%	34%	26%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,152)	(1,050)	(1,101)	(451)	(544)	(701)	(456)	(556)	(748)	(632)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Approve	50%	71%	43%	42%	51%	60%	40%	45%	61%
Disapprove	16%	5%	22%	25%	19%	7%	17%	20%	17%
Haven't heard enough to say	33%	24%	35%	33%	30%	33%	43%	35%	22%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,152)	(670)	(735)	(599)	(1,353)	(265)	(348)	(843)	(510)

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7. Attention to Removing McCarthy

How much attention have you paid to recent news about the U.S. House of Representatives voting to remove Kevin McCarthy as Speaker of the House?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A lot	27%	34%	20%	12%	18%	28%	50%	34%	21%	36%
Some	37%	38%	37%	35%	39%	41%	33%	35%	45%	37%
Not much	21%	19%	23%	34%	19%	20%	12%	19%	22%	17%
None	15%	9%	20%	19%	24%	11%	5%	12%	12%	10%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,152)	(1,049)	(1,103)	(451)	(544)	(700)	(457)	(556)	(748)	(633)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
A lot	27%	28%	29%	28%	31%	20%	18%	26%	38%
Some	37%	42%	36%	38%	38%	36%	33%	36%	41%
Not much	21%	19%	19%	23%	20%	20%	28%	23%	15%
None	15%	11%	16%	11%	11%	24%	20%	15%	6%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,152)	(671)	(736)	(598)	(1,353)	(266)	(348)	(843)	(510)

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8. Approval of Removing McCarthy

Do you approve or disapprove of the U.S. House of Representatives removing Kevin McCarthy as Speaker?

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Approve of removing McCarthy	60%	61%	58%	66%	67%	58%	49%	70%	58%	54%
Disapprove of removing McCarthy	40%	39%	42%	34%	33%	42%	51%	30%	42%	46%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,068)	(1,016)	(1,052)	(422)	(519)	(680)	(447)	(543)	(727)	(614)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Approve of removing McCarthy	60%	67%	61%	53%	58%	60%	64%	61%	53%
Disapprove of removing McCarthy	40%	33%	39%	47%	42%	40%	36%	39%	47%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,068)	(645)	(708)	(585)	(1,314)	(250)	(325)	(811)	(503)

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9A. Why Approve Removing McCarthy — McCarthy wasn't effective

Which, if any, of these are reasons you approve?

Among those who approve of removing McCarthy

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Reason	75%	81%	68%	69%	74%	77%	79%	76%	76%	80%
Not a reason	25%	19%	32%	31%	26%	23%	21%	24%	24%	20%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,188)	(606)	(582)	(267)	(325)	(382)	(213)	(361)	(410)	(323)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Reason	75%	71%	78%	80%	77%	64%	76%	76%	79%
Not a reason	25%	29%	22%	20%	23%	36%	24%	24%	21%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,188)	(411)	(413)	(302)	(737)	(143)	(193)	(485)	(252)

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9B. Why Approve Removing McCarthy — I'd only support a Democratic speaker

Which, if any, of these are reasons you approve?

Among those who approve of removing McCarthy

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Reason	26%	27%	26%	41%	24%	21%	20%	46%	21%	10%
Not a reason	74%	73%	74%	59%	76%	79%	80%	54%	79%	90%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,152)	(589)	(562)	(270)	(320)	(360)	(201)	(356)	(401)	(303)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Reason	26%	52%	14%	7%	25%	33%	24%	23%	29%
Not a reason	74%	48%	86%	93%	75%	67%	76%	77%	71%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,152)	(411)	(395)	(286)	(711)	(142)	(193)	(467)	(244)

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9C. Why Approve Removing McCarthy — McCarthy worked with Democrats

Which, if any, of these are reasons you approve?

Among those who approve of removing McCarthy

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Reason	30%	33%	27%	28%	32%	30%	30%	16%	28%	54%
Not a reason	70%	67%	73%	72%	68%	70%	70%	84%	72%	46%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,160)	(590)	(570)	(270)	(320)	(363)	(207)	(356)	(401)	(310)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Reason	30%	18%	27%	54%	31%	20%	32%	33%	28%
Not a reason	70%	82%	73%	46%	69%	80%	68%	67%	72%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,160)	(410)	(395)	(293)	(718)	(140)	(194)	(475)	(243)

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9D. Why Approve Removing McCarthy — McCarthy did not pay enough attention to "MAGA"

Which, if any, of these are reasons you approve?

Among those who approve of removing McCarthy

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Reason	25%	28%	22%	28%	25%	23%	24%	14%	27%	39%
Not a reason	75%	72%	78%	72%	75%	77%	76%	86%	73%	61%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,153)	(583)	(570)	(269)	(319)	(361)	(203)	(351)	(400)	(309)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Reason	25%	21%	21%	39%	26%	24%	25%	28%	20%
Not a reason	75%	79%	79%	61%	74%	76%	75%	72%	80%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,153)	(408)	(392)	(291)	(713)	(140)	(193)	(471)	(242)

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9E. Why Approve Removing McCarthy — McCarthy paid too much attention to "MAGA"

Which, if any, of these are reasons you approve?

Among those who approve of removing McCarthy

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Reason	39%	41%	37%	38%	40%	35%	45%	63%	39%	14%
Not a reason	61%	59%	63%	62%	60%	65%	55%	37%	61%	86%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,151)	(584)	(567)	(265)	(320)	(364)	(202)	(355)	(400)	(304)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Reason	39%	63%	35%	13%	40%	47%	29%	35%	50%
Not a reason	61%	37%	65%	87%	60%	53%	71%	65%	50%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,151)	(406)	(398)	(286)	(714)	(140)	(190)	(470)	(244)

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9F. Why Approve Removing McCarthy — McCarthy prevented a government shutdown

Which, if any, of these are reasons you approve?

Among those who approve of removing McCarthy

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Reason	23%	20%	25%	27%	19%	23%	22%	17%	25%	24%
Not a reason	77%	80%	75%	73%	81%	77%	78%	83%	75%	76%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,151)	(578)	(573)	(265)	(322)	(362)	(202)	(355)	(397)	(305)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Reason	23%	23%	18%	29%	24%	20%	19%	25%	22%
Not a reason	77%	77%	82%	71%	76%	80%	81%	75%	78%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,151)	(401)	(398)	(289)	(716)	(141)	(187)	(468)	(248)

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9G. Why Approve Removing McCarthy — It will disrupt Washington

Which, if any, of these are reasons you approve?

Among those who approve of removing McCarthy

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Reason	30%	33%	28%	40%	32%	26%	23%	25%	36%	30%
Not a reason	70%	67%	72%	60%	68%	74%	77%	75%	64%	70%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,146)	(581)	(565)	(264)	(320)	(362)	(200)	(351)	(396)	(306)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Reason	30%	38%	23%	29%	30%	29%	30%	33%	23%
Not a reason	70%	62%	77%	71%	70%	71%	70%	67%	77%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(1,146)	(402)	(392)	(289)	(712)	(140)	(187)	(468)	(245)

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10A. Why Disapprove Removing McCarthy — McCarthy was effective

Which, if any, of these are reasons you disapprove?

Among those who disapprove of removing McCarthy

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Reason	46%	48%	43%	45%	47%	44%	46%	36%	42%	56%
Not a reason	54%	52%	57%	55%	53%	56%	54%	64%	58%	44%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(780)	(383)	(397)	(139)	(163)	(272)	(206)	(157)	(276)	(264)

	Party ID				Race			White by Education	
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Reason	46%	50%	40%	50%	45%	52%	44%	42%	49%
Not a reason	54%	50%	60%	50%	55%	48%	56%	58%	51%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(780)	(202)	(263)	(253)	(514)	(100)	(110)	(294)	(220)

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10B. Why Disapprove Removing McCarthy — I just support congressional Republicans

Which, if any, of these are reasons you disapprove?

Among those who disapprove of removing McCarthy

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Reason	28%	31%	25%	31%	34%	26%	23%	22%	24%	39%
Not a reason	72%	69%	75%	69%	66%	74%	77%	78%	76%	61%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(775)	(376)	(399)	(138)	(160)	(268)	(208)	(155)	(275)	(264)

	Party ID				Race			White by Education	
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Reason	28%	15%	18%	48%	29%	25%	28%	33%	23%
Not a reason	72%	85%	82%	52%	71%	75%	72%	67%	77%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(775)	(198)	(261)	(255)	(511)	(98)	(108)	(295)	(216)

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10C. Why Disapprove Removing McCarthy — McCarthy worked with Democrats

Which, if any, of these are reasons you disapprove?

Among those who disapprove of removing McCarthy

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Reason	45%	46%	44%	46%	44%	50%	40%	61%	52%	33%
Not a reason	55%	54%	56%	54%	56%	50%	60%	39%	48%	67%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(784)	(380)	(404)	(140)	(160)	(276)	(207)	(157)	(284)	(261)

	Party ID				Race			White by Education	
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Reason	45%	64%	43%	38%	47%	50%	36%	42%	54%
Not a reason	55%	36%	57%	62%	53%	50%	64%	58%	46%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(784)	(209)	(263)	(250)	(519)	(99)	(109)	(292)	(228)

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10D. Why Disapprove Removing McCarthy — McCarthy did not pay enough attention to "MAGA"

Which, if any, of these are reasons you disapprove?

Among those who disapprove of removing McCarthy

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Reason	19%	20%	18%	19%	26%	16%	16%	17%	22%	17%
Not a reason	81%	80%	82%	81%	74%	84%	84%	83%	78%	83%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(758)	(375)	(383)	(138)	(156)	(264)	(200)	(155)	(269)	(254)

	Party ID				Race			White by Education	
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Reason	19%	19%	23%	14%	16%	29%	27%	17%	14%
Not a reason	81%	81%	77%	86%	84%	71%	73%	83%	86%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(758)	(199)	(257)	(241)	(497)	(98)	(107)	(281)	(216)

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10E. Why Disapprove Removing McCarthy — McCarthy stood up to "MAGA"

Which, if any, of these are reasons you disapprove?

Among those who disapprove of removing McCarthy

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Reason	40%	39%	41%	35%	47%	36%	43%	57%	43%	32%
Not a reason	60%	61%	59%	65%	53%	64%	57%	43%	57%	68%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(769)	(376)	(394)	(141)	(158)	(271)	(199)	(158)	(276)	(255)

	Party ID				Race			White by Education	
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Reason	40%	57%	35%	38%	43%	40%	30%	42%	45%
Not a reason	60%	43%	65%	62%	57%	60%	70%	58%	55%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(769)	(210)	(257)	(242)	(506)	(97)	(109)	(281)	(226)

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10F. Why Disapprove Removing McCarthy — McCarthy prevented a government shutdown

Which, if any, of these are reasons you disapprove?

Among those who disapprove of removing McCarthy

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Reason	59%	55%	63%	53%	60%	62%	59%	69%	64%	51%
Not a reason	41%	45%	37%	47%	40%	38%	41%	31%	36%	49%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(785)	(381)	(404)	(141)	(161)	(275)	(209)	(158)	(283)	(262)

	Party ID				Race			White by Education	
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Reason	59%	73%	57%	56%	60%	65%	51%	54%	67%
Not a reason	41%	27%	43%	44%	40%	35%	49%	46%	33%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(785)	(212)	(263)	(248)	(517)	(98)	(113)	(286)	(230)

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10G. Why Disapprove Removing McCarthy — It will disrupt Washington

Which, if any, of these are reasons you disapprove?

Among those who disapprove of removing McCarthy

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Reason	54%	55%	53%	49%	49%	57%	57%	60%	60%	50%
Not a reason	46%	45%	47%	51%	51%	43%	43%	40%	40%	50%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(781)	(381)	(400)	(139)	(160)	(272)	(210)	(156)	(280)	(263)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Reason	54%	60%	49%	56%	58%	49%	42%	55%	62%
Not a reason	46%	40%	51%	44%	42%	51%	58%	45%	38%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(781)	(207)	(261)	(251)	(517)	(97)	(107)	(290)	(228)

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11. Effect of Removing Speaker on Country

Do you think the U.S. House removing Kevin McCarthy and looking for a replacement will be:

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Good for the country	25%	29%	22%	35%	27%	21%	21%	26%	24%	31%
Bad for the country	23%	23%	23%	13%	18%	25%	36%	22%	23%	25%
Not change the country either way	51%	48%	55%	52%	55%	54%	43%	52%	53%	44%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,121)	(1,038)	(1,083)	(437)	(536)	(699)	(449)	(551)	(745)	(623)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Good for the country	25%	27%	23%	30%	25%	20%	29%	27%	21%
Bad for the country	23%	25%	20%	25%	27%	15%	16%	23%	34%
Not change the country either way	51%	48%	57%	45%	48%	65%	54%	50%	45%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,121)	(663)	(727)	(588)	(1,342)	(259)	(335)	(833)	(509)

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12. Effect of Removing Speaker on Economy

Do you think the U.S. House removing Kevin McCarthy and looking for a replacement will:

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Boost confidence the U.S. economy	15%	16%	14%	29%	17%	8%	10%	15%	17%	15%
Lower confidence the U.S. economy	24%	23%	24%	16%	18%	29%	31%	25%	25%	23%
Not change confidence in the U.S. economy	61%	61%	62%	55%	65%	63%	59%	60%	58%	62%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,115)	(1,036)	(1,079)	(436)	(534)	(695)	(450)	(546)	(744)	(624)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Boost confidence the U.S. economy	15%	21%	10%	16%	13%	17%	24%	14%	11%
Lower confidence the U.S. economy	24%	28%	22%	22%	26%	21%	17%	22%	33%
Not change confidence in the U.S. economy	61%	51%	68%	61%	61%	62%	59%	64%	56%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,115)	(662)	(725)	(587)	(1,342)	(258)	(334)	(834)	(508)

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13A. Qualities of New Speaker — Be loyal to Donald Trump

As you may know, the Republican party has majority control of the House of Representatives, and the Speaker of the House typically comes from the majority party. As Republicans in the House consider their new Speaker, would you prefer that new Republican Speaker be someone who will...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Yes	31%	35%	27%	29%	30%	31%	32%	16%	24%	53%
No	69%	65%	73%	71%	70%	69%	68%	84%	76%	47%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,076)	(1,023)	(1,053)	(436)	(523)	(678)	(439)	(551)	(707)	(617)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Yes	31%	15%	24%	59%	33%	26%	30%	41%	21%
No	69%	85%	76%	41%	67%	74%	70%	59%	79%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,076)	(654)	(696)	(585)	(1,315)	(254)	(332)	(822)	(493)

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13B. Qualities of New Speaker — Try to work with Democrats

As you may know, the Republican party has majority control of the House of Representatives, and the Speaker of the House typically comes from the majority party. As Republicans in the House consider their new Speaker, would you prefer that new Republican Speaker be someone who will...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Yes	71%	68%	74%	68%	66%	72%	78%	85%	77%	58%
No	29%	32%	26%	32%	34%	28%	22%	15%	23%	42%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,096)	(1,031)	(1,065)	(443)	(526)	(683)	(444)	(551)	(728)	(614)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Yes	71%	84%	73%	58%	73%	74%	61%	67%	81%
No	29%	16%	27%	42%	27%	26%	39%	33%	19%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,096)	(663)	(715)	(578)	(1,319)	(257)	(337)	(818)	(500)

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13C. Qualities of New Speaker — Is part of the "MAGA" movement

As you may know, the Republican party has majority control of the House of Representatives, and the Speaker of the House typically comes from the majority party. As Republicans in the House consider their new Speaker, would you prefer that new Republican Speaker be someone who will...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Yes	31%	33%	28%	35%	26%	30%	33%	19%	25%	49%
No	69%	67%	72%	65%	74%	70%	67%	81%	75%	51%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,072)	(1,024)	(1,049)	(436)	(518)	(681)	(437)	(550)	(704)	(617)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Yes	31%	22%	25%	49%	30%	35%	31%	36%	19%
No	69%	78%	75%	51%	70%	65%	69%	64%	81%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,072)	(654)	(701)	(579)	(1,310)	(254)	(329)	(816)	(494)

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13D. Qualities of New Speaker — Stand up to the "MAGA" movement

As you may know, the Republican party has majority control of the House of Representatives, and the Speaker of the House typically comes from the majority party. As Republicans in the House consider their new Speaker, would you prefer that new Republican Speaker be someone who will...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Yes	51%	48%	54%	49%	47%	50%	60%	65%	52%	41%
No	49%	52%	46%	51%	53%	50%	40%	35%	48%	59%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,068)	(1,026)	(1,042)	(437)	(517)	(679)	(436)	(550)	(709)	(610)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Yes	51%	66%	47%	41%	51%	61%	45%	51%	50%
No	49%	34%	53%	59%	49%	39%	55%	49%	50%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,068)	(655)	(703)	(570)	(1,304)	(255)	(330)	(809)	(495)

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13E. Qualities of New Speaker — Try to shut down the government in November

As you may know, the Republican party has majority control of the House of Representatives, and the Speaker of the House typically comes from the majority party. As Republicans in the House consider their new Speaker, would you prefer that new Republican Speaker be someone who will...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Yes	14%	18%	10%	20%	15%	12%	9%	13%	12%	17%
No	86%	82%	90%	80%	85%	88%	91%	87%	88%	83%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,064)	(1,026)	(1,038)	(436)	(519)	(676)	(433)	(550)	(705)	(609)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Yes	14%	14%	11%	18%	12%	16%	17%	12%	12%
No	86%	86%	89%	82%	88%	84%	83%	88%	88%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,064)	(654)	(700)	(570)	(1,302)	(255)	(331)	(806)	(496)

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13F. Qualities of New Speaker — Try to impeach Joe Biden

As you may know, the Republican party has majority control of the House of Representatives, and the Speaker of the House typically comes from the majority party. As Republicans in the House consider their new Speaker, would you prefer that new Republican Speaker be someone who will...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Yes	42%	47%	37%	31%	46%	45%	43%	19%	36%	71%
No	58%	53%	63%	69%	54%	55%	57%	81%	64%	29%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,092)	(1,031)	(1,062)	(439)	(526)	(686)	(442)	(550)	(715)	(622)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Yes	42%	16%	42%	72%	45%	25%	41%	50%	38%
No	58%	84%	58%	28%	55%	75%	59%	50%	62%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,092)	(653)	(708)	(589)	(1,325)	(255)	(332)	(827)	(498)

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13G. Qualities of New Speaker — Try to cut federal spending

As you may know, the Republican party has majority control of the House of Representatives, and the Speaker of the House typically comes from the majority party. As Republicans in the House consider their new Speaker, would you prefer that new Republican Speaker be someone who will...

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Yes	64%	67%	60%	55%	56%	71%	71%	44%	63%	87%
No	36%	33%	40%	45%	44%	29%	29%	56%	37%	13%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,088)	(1,028)	(1,060)	(435)	(524)	(685)	(443)	(548)	(719)	(622)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Yes	64%	45%	68%	84%	67%	58%	58%	67%	66%
No	36%	55%	32%	16%	33%	42%	42%	33%	34%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,088)	(652)	(710)	(585)	(1,322)	(260)	(325)	(820)	(502)

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14. Feel about McCarthy Events

Overall, have the events in the House of Representatives surrounding the removal of Kevin McCarthy made you feel: CHECK ALL THAT APPLY

	Total	Gender		Age				Ideology		
		Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Worried	54%	47%	60%	54%	47%	56%	59%	50%	56%	54%
Confident	22%	25%	19%	23%	27%	21%	17%	22%	23%	21%
Happy	17%	21%	14%	18%	20%	17%	12%	23%	13%	18%
Angry	16%	18%	14%	10%	12%	17%	24%	14%	15%	18%
Weighted N	(2,155)	(1,050)	(1,105)	(451)	(545)	(701)	(457)	(556)	(750)	(633)

	Total	Party ID			Race			White by Education	
		Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Worried	54%	54%	52%	55%	56%	48%	48%	55%	57%
Confident	22%	24%	19%	24%	18%	36%	29%	20%	15%
Happy	17%	21%	15%	17%	18%	13%	20%	18%	17%
Angry	16%	13%	16%	19%	19%	12%	9%	17%	22%
Weighted N	(2,155)	(671)	(737)	(599)	(1,353)	(266)	(348)	(843)	(510)

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22. Part of MAGA Movement

Do you consider yourself part of the MAGA movement, or not?

Among Republicans

	Gender			Age				Ideology		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Yes, MAGA	41%	40%	42%	*	32%	43%	46%	*	20%	51%
No, not MAGA	40%	45%	34%	*	49%	40%	35%	*	51%	36%
Not sure what that is	19%	15%	24%	*	19%	17%	19%	*	28%	13%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	*	100%	100%	100%	*	99%	100%
Weighted N	(598)	(309)	(289)	(110)	(120)	(210)	(158)	(43)	(129)	(407)

	Party ID			Race			White by Education		
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Yes, MAGA	41%	*	*	41%	42%	*	*	48%	30%
No, not MAGA	40%	*	*	40%	38%	*	*	28%	58%
Not sure what that is	19%	*	*	19%	20%	*	*	24%	12%
Totals	100%	*	*	100%	100%	*	*	100%	100%
Weighted N	(598)	(0)	(0)	(598)	(480)	(28)	(66)	(313)	(167)

HOW THE POLL WAS CONDUCTED AND THE MARGIN OF ERROR CALCULATED

The CBS News/YouGov survey of 2,155 adults in the U.S. was conducted between October 4-6, 2023.

This sample was weighted according to gender, age, race, and education based on the U.S. Census American Community Survey, and the U.S. Census Current Population Survey, as well as 2020 Presidential vote and 2022 Congressional vote. Respondents were selected to be representative of adults nationwide. The weights range from 0.1 to 6.4, with a mean of 1 and a standard deviation of 0.9.

The *margin of error* (a 95% confidence interval) for a sample percentage p based upon the entire sample is approximately 2.9%. It is calculated using the formula

$$\hat{p} \pm 100 \times \sqrt{\frac{1 + CV^2}{n}}$$

where CV is the coefficient of variation of the sample weights and n is the sample size used to compute the proportion. This is a measure of sampling error (the average of all estimates obtained using the same sample selection and weighting procedures repeatedly). The sample estimate should differ from its expected value by less than margin of error in 95 percent of all samples. It does not reflect non-sampling errors, including potential selection bias in panel participation or in response to a particular survey.