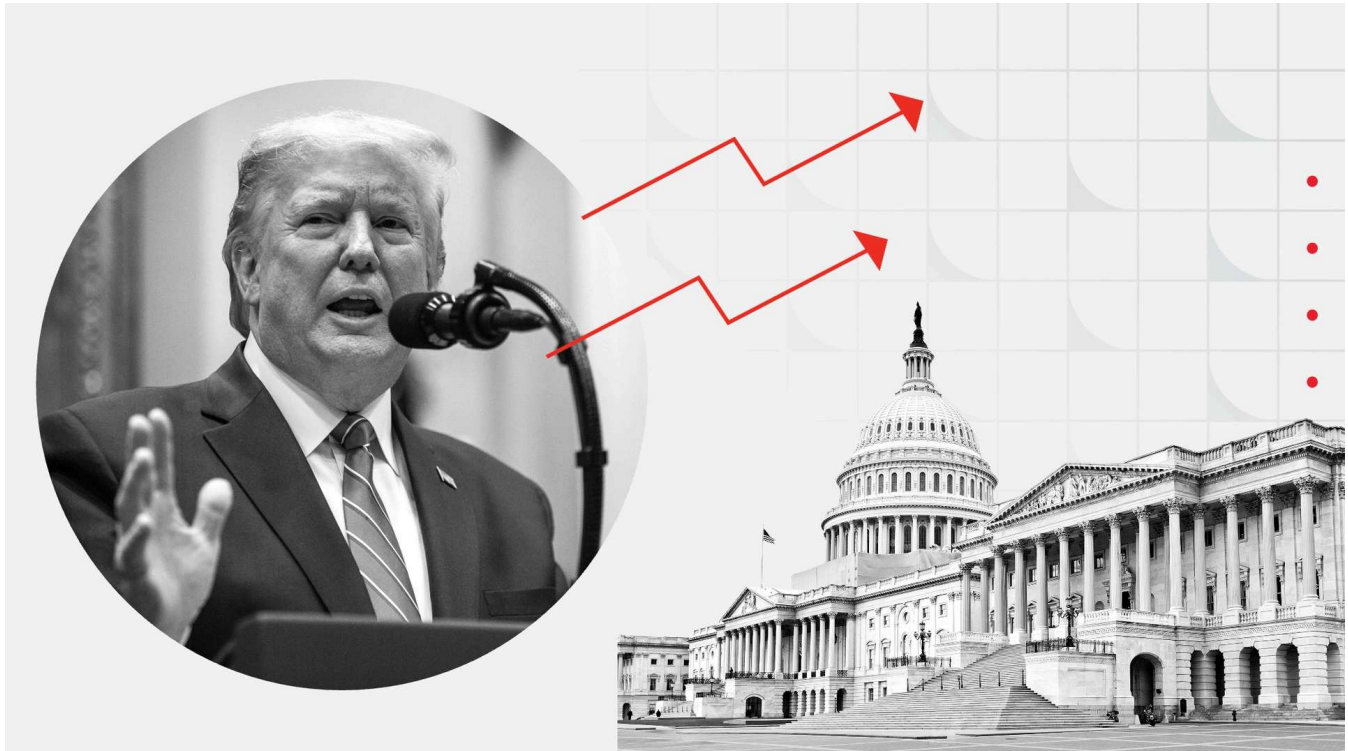


Tracking Public Opinion of Trump's Washington

Crime buzz veers negative



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Morning Consult is tracking what voters across the country think about how President Donald Trump and Republicans in Congress are governing the United States ahead of the 2026 midterm elections. Each week, we'll update this page with fresh and timely data on all of the major questions facing Washington, including views about the people in charge, the issues dominating the conversation and what is actually breaking through to the electorate.

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KEY TAKEAWAYS

- **Trump's approval rating ticks down:** 46% of voters approve of his Trump's performance, down 1 percentage point over the past week, while 51% disapprove of his job performance, matching our findings from the previous three surveys. Voters are 21 points more likely to say they had recently seen, read or heard something negative than positive about Trump amid the online rumor mill's questions about his personal health, compared with a 14-point gap we measured last week.
- **Buzz on security and crime worsens:** Following a mass shooting at a Catholic school in Minneapolis and Trump's threat to deploy National Guard troops and federal officers to Democratic-led cities to fight crime, the tone of the news voters reported hearing about public safety and crime worsened after three weeks of improvements. Two in 5 voters said they had heard something negative about the issue, up from 36% last week, while the share who heard something positive decreased, from 28% to 23%.
- **Trump loses voters' confidence on immigration:** Voters are only 4 points more likely to approve than disapprove of Trump's approach to immigration (49% to 45%), the lowest net rating we've measured on the issue since he took office in January. At the same time, 49% of voters trust Republicans in Congress more to handle immigration, 10 points higher than the share who trust Democrats on Capitol Hill.

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