

Tracking Public Opinion of Trump's Washington

Republicans lose voters' trust on the issues



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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 overall approval rating is holding:** 46% of voters approve of Trump's job performance and 52% disapprove, unchanged from last week.
- **It's a different story on the issues:** In terms of specific policy areas, it is Trump's worse week since he took office in January. Net approval of his handling of national security (-3), Medicare and Social Security (-9), taxes (-8) and LGBTQ+ rights (-15) are all at record lows. His net approval ratings on immigration (+4) and trade (-7) are tied for record lows.
- **Spillover for Republicans in Congress:** Similarly, we also find congressional Republicans experiencing one of their worst weeks on the issue front. They trail their Democratic counterparts in trust to handle the economy and taxes by 4 percentage points and foreign policy by 2 percentage points, all of which are record-high deficits in 2025. Their advantage on national security is also down to 2 points, the smallest we've measured this year.
- **Kimmel's suspension breaks through:** ABC's decision to indefinitely suspend Jimmy Kimmel's late-night show following his comments about Charlie Kirk's assassination is last week's most salient news item, with 49% saying they heard "a lot" about it, compared with 46% who heard a lot about Tyler Robinson's indictment on murder charges for Kirk's killing.

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