

DATA FOR PROGRESS

From January 13 to 14, 2024, Data for Progress conducted a survey of 1,196 U.S. likely voters nationally using web panel respondents. The sample was weighted to be representative of likely voters by age, gender, education, race, geography, and voting history. The survey was conducted in English. The margin of error is ± 3 percentage points.

NB: subgroups with a n-size less than 50 (<50) are not shown on these cross-tabs. We choose not to display N<50 subgroups because the sample is too small to have statistical significance. We did, however, take samples of these subgroups for representational and weighting purposes to accurately reflect the electorate makeup. Some values may not add up to 100 due to rounding.

N=1,196 unless otherwise specified.

[1] Please say how much of a priority, if at all, the U.S. government should make each of these policies:

— Securing the U.S. border with Mexico

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
A very high priority	57	35	53	83	54	61	38	68	59	53	46	62	47
Somewhat of a priority	23	33	23	12	24	21	25	22	22	24	25	23	18
Not really a priority	12	21	12	2	13	10	20	7	9	16	15	9	19
Not a priority at all	5	7	5	1	5	4	9	2	4	6	8	4	7
Don't know	4	4	7	2	4	4	7	2	5	2	7	3	9
Weighted N	1,196	458	308	430	640	556	431	765	767	429	130	869	152

[2] Please say how much of a priority, if at all, the U.S. government should make each of these policies:

— Reforming the legal immigration system to better meet U.S. needs

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
A very high priority	53	47	51	60	53	53	39	60	51	56	42	57	47
Somewhat of a priority	31	36	31	25	30	32	37	27	30	33	34	30	28
Not really a priority	9	11	7	7	8	9	14	5	9	7	14	6	13
Not a priority at all	4	1	5	6	4	3	4	3	4	3	3	4	5
Don't know	4	5	6	3	5	3	5	4	6	2	8	3	8
Weighted N	1,196	458	308	430	640	556	431	765	767	429	130	869	152

[3] Please say how much of a priority, if at all, the U.S. government should make each of these policies:

— Addressing the root causes of migration from South and Central America through diplomatic relations and humanitarian aid

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
A very high priority	36	40	32	35	34	39	32	39	33	42	27	38	33
Somewhat of a priority	35	39	34	30	36	33	36	33	34	35	39	34	35
Not really a priority	15	13	18	14	14	15	19	12	16	13	14	14	18
Not a priority at all	8	2	7	15	8	8	4	10	8	7	7	9	2
Don't know	7	5	10	6	8	5	9	6	9	4	12	6	12
Weighted N	1,196	458	308	430	640	556	431	765	767	429	130	869	152

[4] Asylum is a form of legal immigration that protects people who have faced persecution in their home country on account of race, religion, nationality, and/or membership in a particular political or social group.

Do you support or oppose the U.S. having a system for asylum seekers to legally migrate to the U.S. to seek protection?

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
Strongly support	32	44	29	21	32	32	34	31	28	39	29	31	38
Somewhat support	37	35	42	36	36	39	38	37	36	39	33	38	37
Somewhat oppose	14	10	12	19	14	14	14	14	15	12	21	13	8
Strongly oppose	11	4	10	20	11	11	7	14	14	7	8	13	7
Don't know	6	5	7	4	7	4	7	5	7	3	9	4	10
SUPPORT (TOTAL)	69	79	71	57	68	71	72	68	64	78	62	69	75
OPPOSE (TOTAL)	25	14	22	39	25	25	21	28	29	19	29	26	15
SUPPORT (NET)	+44	+65	+49	+18	+43	+46	+51	+40	+35	+59	+33	+43	+60
Weighted N	1,196	458	308	430	640	556	431	765	767	429	130	869	152

[5] Do you support or oppose each of the following policies?

— Separating migrant children from their parents or caregivers at the border

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
Strongly support	6	5	4	8	5	7	7	5	7	4	8	5	9
Somewhat support	7	7	8	7	6	9	12	5	7	8	17	5	8
Somewhat oppose	17	8	19	25	14	20	16	18	19	13	14	18	12
Strongly oppose	62	76	59	50	68	56	56	66	58	71	51	65	58
Don't know	7	4	9	10	7	8	8	7	9	4	10	6	12
SUPPORT (TOTAL)	13	12	12	15	11	16	19	10	14	12	25	10	17
OPPOSE (TOTAL)	79	84	78	75	82	76	72	84	77	84	65	83	70
SUPPORT (NET)	-66	-72	-66	-60	-71	-60	-53	-74	-63	-72	-40	-73	-53
Weighted N	1,196	458	308	430	640	556	431	765	767	429	130	869	152

[6] Do you support or oppose each of the following policies?

— Increasing funding to more efficiently process immigration applications

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
Strongly support	35	49	31	23	35	35	37	34	30	45	29	34	39
Somewhat support	29	29	31	27	25	32	28	29	28	29	28	29	27
Somewhat oppose	13	8	15	18	14	13	13	14	15	11	14	15	8
Strongly oppose	14	7	12	23	14	14	11	16	16	10	16	15	12
Don't know	9	8	11	8	11	5	11	7	11	4	13	7	15
SUPPORT (TOTAL)	64	78	62	50	60	67	65	63	58	74	57	63	66
OPPOSE (TOTAL)	27	15	27	41	28	27	24	30	31	21	30	30	20
SUPPORT (NET)	+37	+63	+35	+9	+32	+40	+41	+33	+27	+53	+27	+33	+46
Weighted N	1,196	458	308	430	640	556	431	765	767	429	130	869	152

[7] Do you support or oppose each of the following policies?

— Increasing funding to more efficiently process work authorization applications for undocumented immigrants

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
Strongly support	27	43	23	12	27	27	29	26	22	35	25	26	31
Somewhat support	30	31	30	29	29	31	30	30	29	32	28	31	24
Somewhat oppose	14	10	16	19	14	15	16	14	15	13	16	15	13
Strongly oppose	19	7	17	33	18	20	14	22	21	14	14	20	17
Don't know	10	9	14	8	13	7	11	9	13	6	17	8	16
SUPPORT (TOTAL)	57	74	53	41	56	58	59	56	51	67	53	57	55
OPPOSE (TOTAL)	33	17	33	52	32	35	30	36	36	27	30	35	30
SUPPORT (NET)	+24	+57	+20	-11	+24	+23	+29	+20	+15	+40	+23	+22	+25
Weighted N	1,196	458	308	430	640	556	431	765	767	429	130	869	152

[8] Do you support or oppose each of the following policies?

— Increasing funding for case management programs that help undocumented immigrants and their families better understand their immigration court obligations

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
Strongly support	28	41	25	17	31	26	31	27	25	34	21	27	36
Somewhat support	33	34	33	31	30	36	31	34	32	35	37	34	31
Somewhat oppose	15	10	16	20	15	15	17	14	15	16	19	14	15
Strongly oppose	15	5	15	24	13	16	10	17	17	10	11	16	7
Don't know	9	9	11	8	11	7	10	8	11	5	12	8	10
SUPPORT (TOTAL)	61	75	58	48	61	62	62	61	57	69	58	61	67
OPPOSE (TOTAL)	30	15	31	44	28	31	27	31	32	26	30	30	22
SUPPORT (NET)	+31	+60	+27	+4	+33	+31	+35	+30	+25	+43	+28	+31	+45
Weighted N	1,196	458	308	430	640	556	431	765	767	429	130	869	152

[9] Asylum is a form of legal immigration that protects people who have faced persecution in their home country. Members of Congress are debating whether to make changes to the process of applying for asylum.

Which of these statements comes closer to your view, even if neither is exactly right?

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
The U.S. government should immediately deport migrants seeking asylum at the U.S.-Mexico border unless they can demonstrate enough evidence in a screening interview upon arrival that they are under threat of persecution and will ultimately win asylum before a judge.	35	18	31	55	29	41	23	41	37	31	30	39	20
The U.S. government should ensure migrants seeking asylum have a meaningful opportunity to make their case before a judge because asylum is a legal form of immigration. It is important to avoid sending legitimate asylum seekers back into dangerous situations, and all applicants deserve their day in court.	56	74	57	37	60	53	64	52	52	63	51	54	68
Don't know	9	8	12	8	11	6	13	7	11	6	19	7	12
Weighted N	1,196	458	308	430	640	556	431	765	767	429	130	869	152

[10] When migrants come to the U.S. seeking to obtain asylum — or protection from persecution in their home country — they are provided an initial interview with an immigration enforcement official.

These interviews are often conducted shortly after asylum seekers have completed their journeys and while they are in detention.

This immigration enforcement official will then decide whether to deport the asylum seeker immediately, or whether to send the case to an immigration judge. Meeting with an immigration judge allows an asylum seeker to have legal counsel and have time to collect and present evidence on their asylum claim. The judge would then decide whether or not the immigrant can stay in the U.S.

When thinking about this, which of the following comes closest to your view, even if neither is exactly right?

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
We should make it harder for asylum seekers to meet with an immigration judge. Raising the standards for migrants to plead their case before an immigration judge would prevent more illegal immigrants from trying to use the asylum system to get into the U.S.	37	23	31	57	33	42	31	41	40	32	37	38	32
We should not make it harder for asylum seekers to meet with an immigration judge. Raising the standards for migrants to plead their case before an immigration judge would unfairly prevent people with credible fears of persecution from being able to safely and legally stay in the U.S.	54	69	58	36	57	51	59	52	50	63	44	55	57
Don't know	8	8	11	7	10	6	10	7	10	5	19	7	10
Weighted N	1,196	458	308	430	640	556	431	765	767	429	130	869	152

[11] Congress is considering passing various federal funding measures related to immigration and border security.

Do you support or oppose each of the following?

— Hiring 1,600 new asylum officers and processing personnel to approximately double the number of officers working on asylum cases and improve the efficiency of the asylum system

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
Strongly support	34	48	32	21	33	35	36	33	30	41	34	33	38
Somewhat support	33	31	33	35	33	33	32	34	32	35	28	35	27
Somewhat oppose	12	8	12	17	12	12	11	13	14	10	14	13	7
Strongly oppose	10	4	10	17	10	11	7	12	12	7	5	12	10
Don't know	10	8	14	9	12	8	13	8	12	7	18	8	17
SUPPORT (TOTAL)	67	79	65	56	66	68	68	67	62	76	62	68	65
OPPOSE (TOTAL)	22	12	22	34	22	23	18	25	26	17	19	25	17
SUPPORT (NET)	+45	+67	+43	+22	+44	+45	+50	+42	+36	+59	+43	+43	+48
Weighted N	1,196	458	308	430	640	556	431	765	767	429	130	869	152

[12] Congress is considering passing various federal funding measures related to immigration and border security.

Do you support or oppose each of the following?

— Increasing funding to ensure the Department of Homeland Security has sufficient personnel and capacity to process immigrants at the border

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
Strongly support	42	48	39	38	40	44	37	45	38	49	37	43	43
Somewhat support	33	34	31	33	34	31	33	33	32	34	27	34	29
Somewhat oppose	9	7	12	10	9	10	12	8	11	6	17	9	6
Strongly oppose	8	4	10	11	8	8	7	8	9	7	6	8	6
Don't know	8	8	9	8	9	7	11	6	10	4	14	6	15
SUPPORT (TOTAL)	75	82	70	71	74	75	70	78	70	83	64	77	72
OPPOSE (TOTAL)	17	11	22	21	17	18	19	16	20	13	23	17	12
SUPPORT (NET)	+58	+71	+48	+50	+57	+57	+51	+62	+50	+70	+41	+60	+60
Weighted N	1,196	458	308	430	640	556	431	765	767	429	130	869	152

[13] Congress is considering passing various federal funding measures related to immigration and border security.

Do you support or oppose each of the following?

— Hiring 375 new immigration judges to help process immigration cases

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
Strongly support	33	48	28	22	30	37	36	32	30	40	33	32	34
Somewhat support	34	32	37	35	36	33	32	36	33	37	24	36	34
Somewhat oppose	13	9	12	19	13	13	13	13	14	12	15	14	9
Strongly oppose	11	4	12	17	11	10	10	12	13	7	8	12	11
Don't know	8	7	12	7	10	7	10	7	11	4	19	7	13
SUPPORT (TOTAL)	67	80	65	57	66	70	68	68	63	77	57	68	68
OPPOSE (TOTAL)	24	13	24	36	24	23	23	25	27	19	23	26	20
SUPPORT (NET)	+43	+67	+41	+21	+42	+47	+45	+43	+36	+58	+34	+42	+48
Weighted N	1,196	458	308	430	640	556	431	765	767	429	130	869	152

[14] Congress is considering passing various federal funding measures related to immigration and border security.

Do you support or oppose each of the following?

— Increasing funding for enhanced security and technology at ports of entry to better prevent the smuggling of illegal weapons and narcotics, including fentanyl, across the border

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
Strongly support	60	56	58	64	61	58	47	67	57	64	45	63	56
Somewhat support	22	27	19	19	20	24	25	20	21	24	22	22	19
Somewhat oppose	6	5	10	5	5	8	10	4	7	6	13	6	2
Strongly oppose	4	3	4	5	4	4	5	4	6	2	6	4	7
Don't know	8	9	9	6	10	5	13	5	10	4	15	5	16
SUPPORT (TOTAL)	82	83	77	83	81	82	72	87	78	88	67	85	75
OPPOSE (TOTAL)	10	8	14	10	9	12	15	8	13	8	19	10	9
SUPPORT (NET)	+72	+75	+63	+73	+72	+70	+57	+79	+65	+80	+48	+75	+66
Weighted N	1,196	458	308	430	640	556	431	765	767	429	130	869	152

[15] When asylum seekers come to the U.S. and fill out an asylum application, they must wait a minimum of 6 months before they are able to apply for work authorization.

Some lawmakers have proposed **eliminating** the six-month waiting period for asylum seekers to apply for work authorization, so that asylum seekers can support themselves instead of relying on others for assistance.

Do you support or oppose **eliminating** the six-month waiting period for asylum seekers to apply for work authorization?

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
Strongly support	27	39	24	18	28	27	28	27	28	26	21	26	39
Somewhat support	35	34	34	36	35	34	32	36	33	38	29	37	31
Somewhat oppose	15	11	18	17	14	17	16	15	14	17	21	16	9
Strongly oppose	15	9	12	22	13	16	13	16	16	13	16	15	13
Don't know	8	7	11	6	9	6	10	6	9	6	12	7	8
SUPPORT (TOTAL)	62	73	58	54	63	61	60	63	61	64	50	63	70
OPPOSE (TOTAL)	30	20	30	39	27	33	29	31	30	30	37	31	22
SUPPORT (NET)	+32	+53	+28	+15	+36	+28	+31	+32	+31	+34	+13	+32	+48
Weighted N	1,196	458	308	430	640	556	431	765	767	429	130	869	152