



CRITICAL ISSUES POLL

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Attitudes Toward the Russia-Ukraine Conflict and Gaza

Survey Methodology

The survey was fielded by SSRS on its Opinion Panel Omnibus platform. The SSRS Opinion Panel Omnibus is a national, twice-per-month, probability-based survey. Data collection was conducted from March 7 – March 9, 2025, among a sample of 1,004 respondents. The survey was conducted via web (n=974) and telephone (n=30) and administered in English. The margin of error for total respondents is +/-3.7 percentage points at the 95% confidence level. All SSRS Opinion Panel Omnibus data are weighted to represent the target population of U.S. adults ages 18 or older.

Note: Percentages may not always add to one hundred due to rounding.

Q1. In the Russia-Ukraine war, how would you describe your sympathies?

	Republicans	Democrats	Independents	All Respondents
More with Russia	5%	0%	2%	2%
More with Ukraine	45%	82%	58%	59%
With both sides equally	15%	6%	13%	12%
With neither side	29%	7%	19%	20%
I don't know	6%	5%	7%	7%

Q1A. As you may have heard, the Trump administration has decided to immediately suspend all military aid to Ukraine. Do you support or oppose the decision?

	Republicans	Democrats	Independents	All Respondents
Support	67%	7%	30%	35%
Oppose	21%	81%	50%	48%
I don't know	13%	12%	20%	17%

Q2. How long should the U.S. stay the course in supporting Ukraine in the Russia-Ukraine war?

	Republicans	Democrats	Independents	All Respondents
Less than a year	32%	8%	22%	18%
1 – 2 years	16%	14%	12%	14%
3 – 5 years	5%	5%	6%	5%
6 – 10 years	0%	1%	0%	1%
As long as it takes	48%	72%	60%	62%

Q3. You may have watched or heard about the public exchange between President Donald Trump, Vice President J.D. Vance, and visiting Ukraine President Volodymyr Zelenskyy in the White House last week. What is your opinion of their performance?

		Republicans	Democrats	Independents	All Respondents
Donald Trump	Very appropriate	44%	4%	10%	19%
	Somewhat appropriate	24%	7%	18%	17%
	Somewhat inappropriate	13%	8%	18%	13%
	Very inappropriate	12%	72%	39%	40%
	I don't know	3%	5%	8%	6%
	I have not heard	4%	5%	7%	6%

		Republicans	Democrats	Independents	All Respondents
J.D. Vance	Very appropriate	41%	2%	11%	17%
	Somewhat appropriate	25%	5%	17%	16%
	Somewhat inappropriate	14%	6%	13%	11%
	Very inappropriate	9%	75%	38%	38%
	I don't know	5%	7%	14%	9%
	I have not heard	7%	5%	8%	8%

		Republicans	Democrats	Independents	All Respondents
Volodymyr Zelenskyy	Very appropriate	6%	53%	22%	25%
	Somewhat appropriate	14%	23%	25%	21%
	Somewhat inappropriate	30%	7%	18%	19%
	Very inappropriate	39%	6%	16%	20%
	I don't know	6%	6%	13%	9%
	I have not heard	7%	5%	7%	8%

Q4. You may have watched or heard about the public exchange between President Donald Trump, Vice President J.D. Vance, and visiting Ukraine President Volodymyr Zelenskyy in the White House last week. How effective was each in advancing their country's interests?

		Republicans	Democrats	Independents	All Respondents
Donald Trump	Very effective	45%	3%	15%	21%
	Somewhat effective	29%	9%	20%	20%
	Somewhat ineffective	8%	7%	13%	10%
	Very ineffective	7%	66%	35%	35%
	I don't know	6%	10%	9%	8%
	I have not heard	4%	4%	8%	7%

		Republicans	Democrats	Independents	All Respondents
J.D. Vance	Very effective	38%	3%	9%	16%
	Somewhat effective	32%	6%	21%	20%
	Somewhat ineffective	9%	8%	14%	11%

	Very ineffective	9%	65%	33%	34%
	I don't know	6%	11%	14%	10%
	I have not heard	6%	8%	9%	9%

		Republicans	Democrats	Independents	All Respondents
Volodymyr Zelenskyy	Very effective	4%	18%	6%	9%
	Somewhat effective	14%	32%	24%	22%
	Somewhat ineffective	21%	21%	25%	23%
	Very ineffective	49%	11%	23%	27%
	I don't know	8%	12%	14%	11%
	I have not heard	6%	6%	8%	8%

Q5. Did the exchange impact your attitudes toward supporting Ukraine?

	Republicans	Democrats	Independents	All Respondents
It didn't impact my attitude	33%	31%	38%	33%
It made me feel more supportive of Ukraine	11%	57%	28%	31%
It made me feel less supportive of Ukraine	42%	2%	15%	19%
I didn't follow it closely	10%	6%	12%	11%
I don't know	4%	5%	8%	6%

Q6. On another topic, how would you define Israel's military actions in Gaza over the past year and a half?

	Republicans	Democrats	Independents	All Respondents
Genocide	5%	12%	9%	9%
Major war crimes akin to genocide	7%	32%	17%	18%
Major war crimes but not akin to genocide	4%	12%	10%	9%
Unjustified actions but not major war crimes	6%	11%	12%	9%
Justified actions under the right to self-defense	55%	13%	28%	31%
I don't know	24%	20%	24%	24%

Q7. Which one of the following is closest to your view about the possible displacement of the over two million people of Gaza to other countries?

	Republicans	Democrats	Independents	All Respondents
I support it	32%	12%	14%	19%
I oppose it	28%	39%	34%	34%
I support what Gazans choose	40%	49%	52%	47%

Q8. Which one of the following is closer to your view?

	Republicans	Democrats	Independents	All Respondents
The U.S. and others in the international community have an obligation to help reconstruct war devastated Gaza to make it inhabitable again for its own people.	24%	53%	38%	37%
The U.S. and others in the international community have an obligation to help reconstruct war-devastated Gaza to make it inhabitable again for its own people.	20%	15%	14%	16%
The U.S. and others in the international community should not help reconstruct Gaza.	29%	9%	19%	19%
I don't know	27%	23%	29%	28%

Q9. Do you support or oppose the United States taking over the Gaza strip?

	Republicans	Democrats	Independents	All Respondents
Support	30%	6%	18%	18%
Oppose	37%	77%	56%	55%
I don't know	33%	17%	27%	27%