



Napolitan News Service Survey
of 1,000 Registered Voters
Conducted March 31-April 1, 2025

1 How do you rate the U.S. economy these days?*

6% Excellent
16% Good
37% Fair
38% Poor
2% Not sure

Total			
	Excellent/Good	Poor	Net
March 31-April 1, 2025	22%	38%	-16
March 17-18, 2025	24%	41%	-17
March 3-4, 2025	24%	36%	-12
February 18-19, 2025	23%	38%	-15
February 3-4, 2025	23%	31%	-8
January 21-22, 2025	25%	35%	-10
January 6-7, 2025	27%	36%	-9
December 9-10, 2024	32%	34%	-2
November 25, 2024	27%	40%	-13
November 13, 2024	26%	46%	-20
November 7-8, 2024	28%	41%	-13
October 28, 2024	27%	44%	-17
October 21-22, 2024	28%	40%	-12
October 7, 2024	28%	40%	-12
September 23-24, 2024	29%	40%	-11
September 9-10, 2024	26%	48%	-22
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2 Is the U.S. economy getting better or worse?*

10% Much better
17% Somewhat better
24% About the same
26% Somewhat worse
22% Much worse
2% Not sure

Total			
	Better	Worse	Net
March 31-April 1, 2025	27%	48%	-21
March 17-18, 2025	32%	50%	-18
March 3-4, 2025	26%	48%	-22
February 18-19, 2025	29%	44%	-15
February 3-4, 2025	27%	44%	-17
January 21-22, 2025	30%	36%	-6
January 6-7, 2025	24%	42%	-18
December 9-10, 2024	27%	41%	-14
November 25, 2024	27%	42%	-15
November 13, 2024	26%	45%	-19
November 7-8, 2024	28%	44%	-16
October 28, 2024	26%	53%	-27
October 21-22, 2024	25%	52%	-27
October 7, 2024	30%	47%	-17
September 23-24, 2024	30%	45%	-15
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3 How do you rate your personal finances these days?*

9% Excellent
30% Good
39% Fair
21% Poor
1% Not sure

Total			
	Excellent/Good	Poor	Net
March 31-April 1, 2025	39%	21%	+18
March 17-18, 2025	37%	22%	+15
March 3-4, 2025	38%	22%	+16
February 18-19, 2025	36%	27%	+9
February 3-4, 2025	37%	23%	+14
January 21-22, 2025	36%	24%	+12
January 6-7, 2025	34%	25%	+9
December 9-10, 2024	35%	27%	+8
November 25, 2024	36%	25%	+11
November 13, 2024	31%	26%	+5
November 7-8, 2024	34%	27%	+7
October 28, 2024	41%	26%	+15
October 21-22, 2024	38%	26%	+12
October 7, 2024	33%	25%	+8
September 23-24, 2024	36%	27%	+9
September 9-10, 2024	34%	27%	+7
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4 Are your personal finances getting better or worse these days?*

6% Much better
21% Somewhat better
40% About the same
23% Somewhat worse
9% Much worse
1% Not sure

Total			
	Better	Worse	Net
March 31-April 1, 2025	27%	32%	-5
March 17-18, 2025	30%	34%	-4
March 3-4, 2025	27%	32%	-5
February 18-19, 2025	24%	34%	-10
February 3-4, 2025	26%	29%	-3
January 21-22, 2025	25%	31%	-6
January 6-7, 2025	24%	33%	-9
December 9-10, 2024	25%	35%	-10
November 25, 2024	24%	35%	-11
November 13, 2024	22%	37%	-15
November 7-8, 2024	24%	37%	-13
October 28, 2024	25%	41%	-16
October 21-22, 2024	24%	41%	-17
October 7, 2024	26%	39%	-13
September 23-24, 2024	23%	36%	-13
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5 Is the United States currently in a recession?*

34% Yes
38% No
28% Not sure

Total			
	Yes	No	Net
March 31-April 1, 2025	34%	38%	-4
March 17-18, 2025	39%	34%	+5
March 3-4, 2025	34%	35%	-1
February 18-19, 2025	30%	38%	-8
February 3-4, 2025	31%	42%	-11
January 21-22, 2025	33%	40%	-7
January 6-7, 2025	36%	38%	-2
December 9-10, 2024	35%	39%	-4
November 25, 2024	37%	40%	-3
November 13, 2024	38%	38%	EVEN
November 7-8, 2024	37%	38%	-1
October 28, 2024	43%	35%	+8
October 21-22, 2024	40%	37%	+3
October 7, 2024	40%	37%	+3
September 23-24, 2024	40%	39%	+1
September 9-10, 2024	41%	37%	+4
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6a [Among all voters] Over the next six months, is the recession likely to end?*

66% Not asked, do not say the U.S. is in a recession
8% Yes
22% No
4% Not sure

Total				
	Not asked	Yes	No	Net
March 31-April 1, 2025	66%	8%	22%	-14
March 17-18, 2025	61%	12%	21%	-9
March 3-4, 2025	66%	9%	18%	-9
February 18-19, 2025	70%	10%	14%	-4
February 3-4, 2025	69%	10%	14%	-4
January 21-22, 2025	67%	12%	12%	EVEN
January 6-7, 2025	64%	12%	16%	-4
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6b* [Among those who say U.S. is in a recession] Over the next six months, is the recession likely to end?

24% Yes
63% No
13% Not sure

Total			
	Yes	No	Net
March 31-April, 2025	24%	63%	-39
March 17-18, 2025	30%	53%	-23
March 3-4, 2025	28%	54%	-26
February 18-19, 2025	32%	46%	-14
February 3-4, 2025	32%	46%	-14
January 21-22, 2025	38%	36%	+2
January 6-7, 2025	33%	44%	-11
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7a [Among all voters] Over the next six months, is the U.S. likely to enter a recession?*

62% Not asked, say U.S. is already in a recession or are not sure
11% Yes
17% No
10% Not sure

Total				
	Not asked	Yes	No	Net
March 31-April 1, 2025	62%	11%	17%	-6
March 17-18, 2025	66%	10%	15%	-5
March 3-4, 2025	65%	10%	16%	-6
February 18-19, 2025	62%	10%	17%	-7
February 3-4, 2025	58%	14%	20%	-6
January 21-22, 2025	60%	11%	20%	-9
January 6-7, 2025	62%	10%	16%	-6
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7b* [Among those who say U.S. is not in a recession or are not sure] Over the next six months, is the U.S. likely to enter a recession?

29% Yes
45% No
25% Not sure

Total			
	Yes	No	Net
March 31-April 1, 2025	29%	45%	-16
March 17-18, 2025	28%	44%	-16
March 3-4, 2025	28%	45%	-17
February 18-19, 2025	27%	43%	-16
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8 Over the past month, did you pay all your credit card balances in full, or did you just make partial payments on some of your credit cards?*

50% I paid all of my credit card balances in full
40% I made partial payments on some of my credit cards
10% Not sure

Total			
	Paid in full	Partial payments	Net
March 31-April 1, 2025	50%	40%	+10
March 17-18, 2025	50%	42%	+8
March 3-4, 2025	49%	42%	+7
February 18-19, 2025	46%	44%	+2
February 3-4, 2025	49%	43%	+6
January 21-22, 2025	45%	45%	EVEN
January 6-7, 2025	46%	45%	+1
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9 Are you able to regularly set aside money in savings and/or retirement accounts? Or does all of your income go to current living expenses?*

52% I am able to regularly set aside money
42% All of my income goes to current living expenses
6% Not sure

Total			
	Regularly set aside money	Income goes to living expenses	Net
March 31-April 1, 2025	52%	42%	+10
March 17-18, 2025	44%	51%	-7
March 3-4, 2025	50%	45%	+5
February 18-19, 2025	40%	56%	-16
February 3-4, 2025	47%	49%	-2
January 21-22, 2025	48%	48%	EVEN
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10 Suppose something happened leading to a surprise emergency expense of \$1,000. Would you be able to make that payment without cutting back on your current lifestyle? Or, would you have to cut back on other expenses for a while?*

50% I would be able to make that payment without cutting back on my lifestyle
46% I would have to cut back on expenses for a while
4% Not sure

Total			
	Make payment without cutting back	Would have to cut back	Net
March 31-April 1, 2025	50%	46%	+4
March 17-18, 2025	45%	50%	-5
March 3-4, 2025	50%	44%	+6
February 18-19, 2025	40%	56%	-16
February 3-4, 2025	51%	45%	+6
January 21-22, 2025	47%	50%	-3
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11 From what you know, are businesses in your area more likely to be hiring people or laying people off?*

27% Hiring
30% Laying off
24% Neither
19% Not sure

Total			
	Hiring	Laying off	Net
March 31-April 1, 2025	27%	30%	-3
September 9-10, 2024*	27%	30%	-3
Source: Napolitan News Service			

12 Is this a good time to be looking for a job, or a bad time?*

13% Very good
32% Somewhat good
28% Somewhat bad
13% Very bad
14% Not sure

Total			
	Good	Bad	Net
March 31-April 1, 2025	45%	41%	+4
September 9-10, 2024	65%	23%	+42
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13* At the present time, how difficult is it for someone who has been laid off to find a good job?

18% Very difficult
45% Somewhat difficult
20% Not very difficult
7% Not at all difficult
10% Not sure

Total			
	Very/Somewhat difficult	Not very/Not at all difficult	Net
March 31-April 1, 2025	63%	27%	+36
September 9-10, 2024	45%	45%	EVEN
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14a* [Among all voters] How likely is it that you will be in the same job a year from today?

40% Not asked, do not have a job
31% Very likely
18% Somewhat likely
4% Somewhat unlikely
4% Very unlikely
3% Not sure



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14b [Among those with a job] How likely is it that you will be in the same job a year from today?*

52%	Very likely
30%	Somewhat likely
7%	Somewhat unlikely
7%	Very unlikely
4%	Not sure

15a [Among all voters] If you were to start looking for a job today, how long would it take for you to find a suitable one?*

40%	Not asked, do not have a job
14%	Less than a month
18%	1-3 months
13%	3-6 months
7%	More than 6 months
8%	Not sure

5b [Among those with a job] If you were to start looking for a job today, how long would it take for you to find a suitable one?*

23%	Less than a month
31%	1-3 months
21%	3-6 months
12%	More than 6 months
13%	Not sure

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16a [Among all voters] When you leave your current job, will the decision most likely be made by you or by your employer?*

40%	Not asked, do not have a job
43%	By me
9%	By my employer
7%	Not sure

16b [Among those with a job] When you leave your current job, will the decision most likely be made by you or by your employer?*

72%	By me
16%	By my employer
12%	Not sure

Methodology

This survey of 1,000 Registered Voters was conducted online by Scott Rasmussen on March 31-April 1, 2025. Field work for the survey was conducted by RMG Research, Inc. Certain quotas were applied, and the sample was lightly weighted by geography, gender, age, race, education, internet usage, and political party to reasonably reflect the nation's population of Registered Voters. Other variables were reviewed to ensure that the final sample is representative of that population.

The margin of sampling error for the full sample is +/- 3.1 percentage points.

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