



Napolitan News Service Survey
of 1,000 Registered Voters
Conducted October 27-28, 2025

1 How closely have you been following recent news stories about the federal budget?*

35% Very closely
40% Somewhat closely
18% Not very closely
5% Not at all closely
3% Not sure

Total	
	Very closely
October 27-28, 2025	35%
October 20-21, 2025	24%
October 13-14, 2025	26%
October 6-7, 2025	24%
October 1, 2025	27%

Source: Napolitan News Service



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2 Is there a partial shutdown of the federal government at this time?*

85% Yes
9% No
7% Not sure

Total			
	Yes	No	Net
October 27-28, 2025	85%	9%	+76
October 20-21, 2025	80%	14%	+66
October 13-14, 2025	74%	14%	+60
October 6-7, 2025	81%	10%	+71
October 1, 2025	71%	18%	+53
September 23-24, 2025	16%	56%	-40
August 21-22, 2024	12%	68%	-56
January 16-17, 2024	9%	71%	-62
November 13-14, 2023	14%	66%	-52
November 6-7, 2023	15%	64%	-49
November 1-2, 2023	14%	65%	-51
October 4-5, 2023	16%	66%	-50

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Margin of Sampling Error: +/- 3.1 percentage points



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3a [Among all voters] How much of an impact has the federal government shutdown had on your daily life?*

- 15% Not asked, did not say there was a government shutdown
- 17% None
- 26% Hardly any
- 27% Some
- 12% A lot
- 3% Not sure

Total				
	None	Hardly any	Some	A lot
October 27-28, 2025	17%	26%	27%	12%
October 20-21, 2025	19%	24%	25%	9%
October 13-14, 2025	24%	28%	15%	5%
October 6-7, 2025	24%	26%	20%	9%
October 1, 2025	22%	21%	17%	6%

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3b [Among those who know there is a government shutdown] How much of an impact has the federal government shutdown had on your daily life?*

- 20% None
- 31% Hardly any
- 31% Some
- 14% A lot
- 3% Not sure

Total				
	None	Hardly any	Some	A lot
October 27-28, 2025	20%	31%	31%	14%
October 20-21, 2025	24%	30%	31%	12%
October 13-14, 2025	32%	38%	20%	7%
October 6-7, 2025	29%	32%	24%	11%
October 1, 2025	31%	30%	23%	8%
Source: Napolitan News Service				



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4 The federal government has been shut down since October 1. Which party is primarily responsible for the shutdown?*

- 39% Republican
- 32% Democratic
- 24% Both equally
- 6% Not sure

Total				
	Republican	Democrat	Both equally	Net
October 27-28, 2025	39%	32%	24%	R+7
October 20-21, 2025	36%	34%	24%	R+2
October 13-14, 2025	36%	34%	23%	R+2
October 6-7, 2025	40%	31%	23%	R+9
Source: Napolitan News Service				

5 If the federal budget proposed by the Republicans is approved, will spending next year go up or down?*

- 44% Go up
- 26% Go down
- 29% Not sure

6 If the federal budget proposed by the Democrats is approved, will spending next year go up or down?*

- 48% Go up
- 20% Go down
- 32% Not sure



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Methodology

This survey of 1,000 Registered Voters was conducted online by Scott Rasmussen on October 27-28, 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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