



**Napolitan News Service Survey**  
Of 1,000 Registered Voters  
Conducted August 3-4, 2026

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

7%    Excellent  
20%    Good  
30%    Fair  
41%    Poor  
2%    Not sure

| Total                       |                 |      |                 |      |                     |      |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|------|---------------------|------|
|                             | Total           |      | Mainstreet      |      | Elite and Elite Adj |      |
|                             | Excellent /Good | Poor | Excellent /Good | Poor | Excellent /Good     | Poor |
| <b>August 3-4, 2026</b>     | 27%             | 41%  | 25%             | 40%  | 32%                 | 42%  |
| <b>July 20-21, 2026</b>     | 27%             | 39%  | 25%             | 40%  | 33%                 | 37%  |
| <b>July 6-7, 2026</b>       | 27%             | 36%  | 23%             | 39%  | 37%                 | 30%  |
| <b>June 22-23, 2026</b>     | 28%             | 42%  | 28%             | 42%  | 29%                 | 40%  |
| <b>June 8-9, 2026</b>       | 28%             | 41%  | 24%             | 44%  | 35%                 | 36%  |
| <b>May 26, 2026</b>         | 25%             | 42%  | 24%             | 46%  | 27%                 | 34%  |
| <b>May 11-12, 2026</b>      | 28%             | 44%  | 25%             | 48%  | 34%                 | 35%  |
| <b>April 27-28, 2026</b>    | 26%             | 44%  | 24%             | 47%  | 30%                 | 40%  |
| <b>April 13-14, 2026</b>    | 28%             | 36%  | 24%             | 40%  | 34%                 | 29%  |
| <b>March 30-31, 2026</b>    | 24%             | 40%  | 21%             | 43%  | 29%                 | 35%  |
| <b>March 16-17, 2026</b>    | 27%             | 38%  | 25%             | 40%  | 30%                 | 34%  |
| <b>March 2-3, 2026</b>      | 29%             | 35%  | 28%             | 37%  | 32%                 | 31%  |
| <b>February 17-18, 2026</b> | 31%             | 30%  | 28%             | 35%  | 38%                 | 17%  |

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*2\* Is the U.S. economy getting better or worse?*

8% Much better  
16% Somewhat better  
21% About the same  
27% Somewhat worse  
26% Much worse  
2% Not sure

| Total                |        |       |            |       |                     |       |
|----------------------|--------|-------|------------|-------|---------------------|-------|
|                      | Total  |       | Mainstreet |       | Elite and Elite Adj |       |
|                      | Better | Worse | Better     | Worse | Better              | Worse |
| August 3-4, 2026     | 24%    | 53%   | 23%        | 51%   | 27%                 | 56%   |
| July 20-21, 2026     | 23%    | 51%   | 20%        | 54%   | 29%                 | 48%   |
| July 6-7, 2026       | 24%    | 52%   | 23%        | 55%   | 28%                 | 45%   |
| June 22-23, 2026     | 26%    | 54%   | 25%        | 54%   | 26%                 | 55%   |
| June 8-9, 2026       | 22%    | 59%   | 19%        | 60%   | 27%                 | 57%   |
| May 26, 2026         | 23%    | 57%   | 24%        | 58%   | 21%                 | 56%   |
| May 11-12, 2026      | 24%    | 54%   | 20%        | 58%   | 31%                 | 47%   |
| April 27-28, 2026    | 24%    | 55%   | 21%        | 57%   | 27%                 | 51%   |
| April 13-14, 2026    | 22%    | 52%   | 22%        | 54%   | 23%                 | 51%   |
| March 30-31, 2026    | 23%    | 59%   | 22%        | 58%   | 22%                 | 60%   |
| March 16-17, 2026    | 23%    | 53%   | 22%        | 54%   | 27%                 | 53%   |
| March 2-3, 2026      | 29%    | 51%   | 29%        | 49%   | 30%                 | 55%   |
| February 17-18, 2026 | 33%    | 44%   | 30%        | 45%   | 40%                 | 40%   |

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*3\* How do you rate your personal finances these days?*

10%    Excellent  
31%    Good  
37%    Fair  
20%    Poor  
1%    Not sure

| Total                       |                 |      |                 |      |                     |      |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|------|---------------------|------|
|                             | Total           |      | Mainstreet      |      | Elite and Elite Adj |      |
|                             | Excellent /Good | Poor | Excellent /Good | Poor | Excellent /Good     | Poor |
| <b>August 3-4, 2026</b>     | 41%             | 20%  | 34%             | 24%  | 54%                 | 13%  |
| <b>July 20-21, 2026</b>     | 41%             | 22%  | 34%             | 26%  | 55%                 | 14%  |
| <b>July 6-7, 2026</b>       | 41%             | 24%  | 32%             | 28%  | 60%                 | 14%  |
| <b>June 22-23, 2026</b>     | 40%             | 23%  | 38%             | 27%  | 47%                 | 16%  |
| <b>June 8-9, 2026</b>       | 39%             | 23%  | 31%             | 27%  | 56%                 | 15%  |
| <b>May 26, 2026</b>         | 40%             | 22%  | 32%             | 28%  | 57%                 | 8%   |
| <b>May 11-12, 2026</b>      | 41%             | 21%  | 35%             | 27%  | 54%                 | 8%   |
| <b>April 27-28, 2026</b>    | 39%             | 21%  | 30%             | 25%  | 57%                 | 14%  |
| <b>April 13-14, 2026</b>    | 40%             | 21%  | 32%             | 26%  | 59%                 | 12%  |
| <b>March 30-31, 2026</b>    | 35%             | 19%  | 29%             | 24%  | 49%                 | 9%   |
| <b>March 16-17, 2026</b>    | 37%             | 27%  | 31%             | 31%  | 53%                 | 14%  |
| <b>March 2-3, 2026</b>      | 41%             | 20%  | 34%             | 25%  | 55%                 | 12%  |
| <b>February 17-18, 2026</b> | 41%             | 24%  | 32%             | 29%  | 64%                 | 13%  |

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*4\* Are your personal finances getting better or worse these days?*

8% Much better  
17% Somewhat better  
38% About the same  
26% Somewhat worse  
11% Much worse  
1% Not sure

| Total                |        |       |            |       |                     |       |
|----------------------|--------|-------|------------|-------|---------------------|-------|
|                      | Total  |       | Mainstreet |       | Elite and Elite Adj |       |
|                      | Better | Worse | Better     | Worse | Better              | Worse |
| August 3-4, 2026     | 25%    | 37%   | 24%        | 38%   | 27%                 | 34%   |
| July 20-21, 2026     | 27%    | 37%   | 22%        | 38%   | 39%                 | 32%   |
| July 6-7, 2026       | 29%    | 34%   | 24%        | 40%   | 40%                 | 21%   |
| June 22-23, 2026     | 27%    | 36%   | 25%        | 38%   | 31%                 | 31%   |
| June 8-9, 2026       | 23%    | 39%   | 20%        | 43%   | 30%                 | 33%   |
| May 26, 2026         | 26%    | 36%   | 23%        | 40%   | 35%                 | 28%   |
| May 11-12, 2026      | 26%    | 36%   | 23%        | 40%   | 32%                 | 26%   |
| April 27-28, 2026    | 27%    | 35%   | 23%        | 39%   | 35%                 | 25%   |
| April 13-14, 2026    | 27%    | 37%   | 22%        | 42%   | 34%                 | 27%   |
| March 30-31, 2026    | 22%    | 35%   | 21%        | 39%   | 26%                 | 31%   |
| March 16-17, 2026    | 24%    | 39%   | 22%        | 42%   | 33%                 | 31%   |
| March 2-3, 2026      | 29%    | 31%   | 26%        | 35%   | 36%                 | 24%   |
| February 17-18, 2026 | 28%    | 29%   | 23%        | 36%   | 41%                 | 16%   |

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*5\* Is the United States currently in a recession?*

34% Yes  
40% No  
26% Not sure

| Total                          |       |     |            |     |                     |     |
|--------------------------------|-------|-----|------------|-----|---------------------|-----|
|                                | Total |     | Mainstreet |     | Elite and Elite Adj |     |
|                                | Yes   | No  | Yes        | No  | Yes                 | No  |
| August 3-4, 2026               | 34%   | 40% | 32%        | 40% | 39%                 | 40% |
| July 20-21, 2026               | 36%   | 38% | 34%        | 35% | 42%                 | 43% |
| July 6-7, 2026                 | 36%   | 36% | 37%        | 33% | 34%                 | 40% |
| June 22-23, 2026               | 38%   | 39% | 37%        | 39% | 40%                 | 38% |
| June 8-9, 2026                 | 35%   | 40% | 36%        | 37% | 35%                 | 45% |
| May 26, 2026                   | 38%   | 35% | 37%        | 35% | 42%                 | 34% |
| May 11-12, 2026                | 35%   | 38% | 37%        | 35% | 33%                 | 34% |
| April 27-28, 2026              | 38%   | 36% | 39%        | 33% | 35%                 | 42% |
| April 13-14, 2026              | 38%   | 37% | 35%        | 38% | 43%                 | 36% |
| March 30-31, 2026              | 37%   | 36% | 37%        | 34% | 38%                 | 40% |
| March 16-17, 2026              | 36%   | 37% | 36%        | 36% | 34%                 | 39% |
| March 2-3, 2026                | 31%   | 41% | 29%        | 39% | 35%                 | 45% |
| February 17-18, 2026           | 30%   | 39% | 31%        | 39% | 28%                 | 42% |
| February 2, 2026               | 37%   | 39% | 36%        | 38% | 38%                 | 40% |
| January 19-20, 2026            | 33%   | 42% | 34%        | 40% | 31%                 | 47% |
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**Methodology**

This survey of 1,000 Registered Voters was conducted online by Scott Rasmussen on August 3-4, 2026. 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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