



Napolitan News Service Survey
Of 1,000 Registered Voters
Conducted September 14-15, 2026

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

8% Excellent
23% Good
26% Fair
38% Poor
4% Not sure

Total						
	Total		Mainstreet		Elite and Elite Adj	
	Excellent /Good	Poor	Excellent /Good	Poor	Excellent /Good	Poor
September 14-15, 2026	31%	38%	28%	41%	40%	33%
August 31-September 1, 2026	29%	39%	23%	41%	42%	35%
August 17, 2026	30%	42%	28%	44%	33%	40%
August 3-4, 2026	27%	41%	25%	40%	32%	42%
July 20-21, 2026	27%	39%	25%	40%	33%	37%
July 6-7, 2026	27%	36%	23%	39%	37%	30%
June 22-23, 2026	28%	42%	28%	42%	29%	40%
June 8-9, 2026	28%	41%	24%	44%	35%	36%
May 26, 2026	25%	42%	24%	46%	27%	34%
May 11-12, 2026	28%	44%	25%	48%	34%	35%
April 27-28, 2026	26%	44%	24%	47%	30%	40%
April 13-14, 2026	28%	36%	24%	40%	34%	29%
March 30-31, 2026	24%	40%	21%	43%	29%	35%

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

12% Much better
20% Somewhat better
14% About the same
27% Somewhat worse
25% Much worse
2% Not sure

Total						
	Total		Mainstreet		Elite and Elite Adj	
	Better	Worse	Better	Worse	Better	Worse
September 14-15, 2026	32%	52%	28%	54%	39%	47%
August 31-September 1, 2026	25%	51%	19%	54%	36%	44%
August 17, 2026	27%	52%	25%	54%	30%	46%
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%

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

13% Excellent
29% Good
33% Fair
23% Poor
3% Not sure

Total						
	Total		Mainstreet		Elite and Elite Adj	
	Excellent /Good	Poor	Excellent /Good	Poor	Excellent /Good	Poor
September 14-15, 2026	42%	23%	35%	28%	56%	12%
August 31-September 1, 2026	38%	22%	27%	27%	62%	12%
August 17, 2026	39%	22%	33%	25%	53%	16%
August 3-4, 2026	41%	20%	34%	24%	54%	13%
July 20-21, 2026	41%	22%	34%	26%	55%	14%
July 6-7, 2026	41%	24%	32%	28%	60%	14%
June 22-23, 2026	40%	23%	38%	27%	47%	16%
June 8-9, 2026	39%	23%	31%	27%	56%	15%
May 26, 2026	40%	22%	32%	28%	57%	8%
May 11-12, 2026	41%	21%	35%	27%	54%	8%
April 27-28, 2026	39%	21%	30%	25%	57%	14%
April 13-14, 2026	40%	21%	32%	26%	59%	12%
March 30-31, 2026	35%	19%	29%	24%	49%	9%
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4 Are your personal finances getting better or worse these days?*

9% Much better
21% Somewhat better
33% About the same
18% Somewhat worse
16% Much worse
3% Not sure

Total						
	Total		Mainstreet		Elite and Elite Adj	
	Better	Worse	Better	Worse	Better	Worse
September 14-15, 2026	30%	34%	26%	38%	39%	25%
August 31-September 1, 2026	27%	35%	21%	42%	39%	23%
August 17, 2026	29%	38%	25%	43%	36%	28%
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%

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5 Is the United States currently in a recession?*

40% Yes
39% No
21% Not sure

Total						
	Total		Mainstreet		Elite and Elite Adj	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
September 14-15, 2026	40%	39%	41%	36%	37%	46%
August 31-September 1, 2026	36%	40%	36%	36%	35%	47%
August 17, 2026	41%	36%	37%	36%	48%	37%
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%
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Methodology

This survey of 1,000 Registered Voters was conducted online by Scott Rasmussen on September 14-15, 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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