



Napolitan News Service Survey
Of 1,000 Registered Voters
Conducted October 5-6, 2026

1 Is it fair to say that the United States was founded on the ideals of freedom, equality, and self-governance?*

75% Yes
15% No
9% Not sure

Totals			
	Yes	No	Net
October 5-6, 2026	75%	15%	+60
September 8-9, 2026	82%	10%	+72
June 17-18, 2026	77%	16%	+61
March 16-17, 2026	72%	15%	+57
February 11-12, 2026	80%	14%	+66
October 8-9, 2025	80%	13%	+67
June 25-26, 2025	81%	14%	+67
June 18-19, 2025	83%	14%	+69
April 30-May 1, 2025	82%	12%	+70
April 14-15, 2025	72%	15%	+57
January 27-28, 2025	87%	7%	+80
August 26-27, 2024	88%	6%	+82
June 24-25, 2024	83%	11%	+72
August 29-30, 2023	82%	10%	+72
August 9-10, 2023	77%	15%	+62
June 26-27 2023	74%	15%	+59
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2 Which of the following ideals is most important?*

59% Freedom
29% Equality
7% Self-Governance
5% Not sure

Totals			
	Freedom	Equality	Self-Governance
October 5-6, 2026	59%	29%	7%
June 17-18, 2026	58%	31%	8%
March 16-17, 2026	60%	27%	6%
December 17-18, 2025	61%	29%	7%
September 16-17, 2025	59%	32%	5%
June 18-19, 2025	60%	30%	8%
February 24-25, 2025	63%	29%	4%
August 9-10, 2023*	60%	32%	8%
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*Not sure was not an answer option

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3* Which is the least important?

8% Freedom
18% Equality
35% Self-Governance
39% Not sure

Totals			
	Freedom	Equality	Self-Governance
October 5-6, 2026	8%	18%	35%
June 17-18, 2026	4%	16%	44%
March 16-17, 2026	7%	19%	38%
December 17-18, 2025	4%	19%	46%
September 16-17, 2025	5%	17%	44%
June 18-19, 2025	5%	18%	47%
February 24-25, 2025	8%	19%	40%
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4 Generally speaking, is there a conflict between freedom and equality?*

51% Yes
29% No
20% Not sure

Totals			
	Yes	No	Net
October 5-6, 2026	51%	29%	+22
June 17-18, 2026	51%	34%	+17
March 16-17, 2026	49%	30%	+19
December 17-18, 2025	58%	28%	+30
September 16-17, 2025	63%	23%	+40
June 18-19, 2025	55%	33%	+22
February 24-25, 2025	54%	33%	+21
February 8-9, 2022	59%	23%	+36
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5 Which is more important?*

60% Freedom
29% Equality
12% Not sure

Totals		
	Freedom	Equality
October 5-6, 2026	60%	29%
June 17-18, 2026	62%	31%
March 16-17, 2026	62%	27%
December 17-18, 2025	66%	28%
September 16-17, 2025	62%	30%
June 18-19, 2025	65%	28%
February 24-25, 2025	65%	25%
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6* Please let me know whether each of the following groups favor or oppose America's founding ideals?

Total			
	Favor	Oppose	Net
Republicans	48%	41%	+7
Democrats	46%	41%	+5
Progressive Democrats	40%	40%	EVEN
MAGA Republicans	38%	49%	-11
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Ideals?

Republicans

48% Favor
41% Oppose
12% Not sure

Totals			
	Favor	Oppose	Net
October 5-6, 2026	48%	41%	+7
June 17-18, 2026	49%	39%	+10
March 16-17, 2026	43%	41%	+2
December 17-18, 2025	52%	39%	+13
September 16-17, 2025	48%	44%	+4
June 18-19, 2025	52%	39%	+13
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Democrats

46% Favor
41% Oppose
13% Not sure

Totals			
	Favor	Oppose	Net
October 5-6, 2026	46%	41%	+5
June 17-18, 2026	47%	39%	+8
March 16-17, 2026	47%	36%	+9
December 17-18, 2025	44%	44%	EVEN
September 16-17, 2025	51%	38%	+13
June 18-19, 2025	48%	42%	+5
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6 Please let me know whether each of the following groups favor or oppose America's founding*

Progressive Democrats

40% Favor
40% Oppose
20% Not sure

Totals			
	Favor	Oppose	Net
October 5-6, 2026	40%	40%	EVEN
June 17-18, 2026	36%	45%	-9
March 16-17, 2026	36%	39%	-3
December 17-18, 2025	40%	45%	-5
September 16-17, 2025	37%	42%	-5
June 18-19, 2025	36%	44%	-8
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6* Please let me know whether each of the following groups favor or oppose America's founding ideals?

MAGA Republicans

38% Favor
49% Oppose
14% Not sure

Totals			
	Favor	Oppose	Net
October 5-6, 2026	38%	49%	-11
June 17-18, 2026	36%	50%	-14
March 16-17, 2026	35%	48%	-13
December 17-18, 2025	39%	51%	-12
September 16-17, 2025	36%	54%	-18
June 18-19, 2025	39%	48%	-9
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7 Does Donald Trump believe in the founding ideals of freedom, equality, and self-governance?*

39% Yes
50% No
11% Not sure

Totals			
	Yes	No	Net
October 5-6, 2026	39%	50%	-11
June 17-18, 2026	39%	51%	-12
December 17-18, 2025	45%	46%	-1
September 16-17, 2025	43%	47%	-4
June 18-19, 2025	44%	47%	-3
February 24-25, 2025	48%	40%	+8
Source: Napolitan News Service			

Methodology

This survey of 1,000 Registered Voters was conducted online by Scott Rasmussen on October 5-6, 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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