

NBC News|SurveyMonkey State of the Union Poll Results

The NBC News|SurveyMonkey poll was conducted online from Tuesday, January 30 through Thursday, February 1, 2018. Results are among a national sample of 4,424 adults aged 18 and over. The error estimate for all adults is plus or minus 2.0 percentage points.

Complete error estimates can be found in the methodology section below.

TOPLINE RESULTS

In general, do you think things in this country are heading in the right direction or the wrong direction?

	<u>Right direction</u>	<u>Wrong direction</u>	<u>No answer</u>
1/30—2/1	44	54	3
1/20—1/22	37	60	3

Which one of the following issues matters MOST to you right now?

	<u>Foreign policy</u>	<u>The environment</u>	<u>Terrorism</u>	<u>Immigration</u>	<u>Health care</u>	<u>Jobs and the economy</u>	<u>Education</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>No answer</u>
1/30—2/1	4	9	7	13	20	28	9	9	1
1/20—1/22	5	9	6	14	18	29	8	10	1

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as president?

	<u>Strongly approve</u>	<u>Somewhat approve</u>	<u>Somewhat disapprove</u>	<u>Strongly disapprove</u>	<u>No answer</u>
1/30—2/1	28	17	10	43	2
1/20—1/22	23	18	11	47	1

Did you happen to watch President Trump's State of the Union address on Tuesday night?

	<u>Yes, watched State of the Union</u>	<u>Did not watch State of the Union, but followed coverage of it in the news</u>	<u>I did not watch or follow coverage of the State of the Union</u>	<u>No answer</u>
1/30—2/1	40	29	30	2

What was your overall reaction to President Trump's State of the Union address? Were you...[AMONG THOSE WHO WATCHED OR FOLLOWED ADDRESS]

	<u>Enthusiastic</u>	<u>Satisfied, but not enthusiastic</u>	<u>Dissatisfied, but not angry</u>	<u>Angry</u>	<u>No answer</u>
1/30—2/1	35	21	26	16	1

In his State of the Union address, do you think President Trump mostly focused on the right things or mostly focused on the wrong things? [AMONG THOSE WHO WATCHED OR FOLLOWED ADDRESS]

	<u>Right things</u>	<u>Wrong things</u>	<u>No answer</u>
1/30—2/1	60	38	2

In his State of the Union address, President Trump mentioned several areas in which the nation's economy has improved during the past year. How much credit do you think he deserves for those improvements? [AMONG THOSE WHO WATCHED OR FOLLOWED ADDRESS]

	<u>A lot</u>	<u>Some</u>	<u>Not much</u>	<u>None at all</u>	<u>No answer</u>
1/30—2/1	39	21	20	19	1

If the November 2018 elections for U.S. Congress were being held today, in your district, would you vote for the:

	<u>Democratic candidate</u>	<u>Republican candidate</u>	<u>Would not vote</u>	<u>No answer</u>
1/30—2/1	45	39	12	4

METHODOLOGY

The NBC News|SurveyMonkey poll was conducted online among a national sample of 4,424 adults aged 18 and over from January 30 through February 1, 2018. Respondents for this survey were selected from the nearly three million people who take surveys on the SurveyMonkey platform each day. Data for this week has been weighted for age, race, sex, education and region using the Census Bureau’s American Community Survey to reflect the demographic composition of the United States.

Because the sample is based on those who initially self-selected for participation rather than a probability sample, no estimates of sampling error can be calculated. All surveys may be subject to multiple sources of error, including, but not limited to sampling error, coverage error, and measurement error.

To assess the variability in the estimates and account for design effects, we create a bootstrap confidence interval to produce an error estimate. The bootstrap confidence interval for this survey is plus or minus 2.0 percentage points.

To calculate the bootstrap confidence interval, we use the weighted data to generate 5000 independent samples and calculate the 95% confidence intervals for the weighted average. When analyzing the survey results and their accuracy, this error estimate should be taken into consideration in much the same way that analysis of probability polls takes into account the margin of sampling error.

Group	Unweighted N	Plus or minus
Total	4,424	2.0
Republican	1,266	3.6
Democrat	1,377	3.6
Independent	1,649	3.2
Male	2,168	2.7
Female	2,256	2.6
18-24	295	6.6
25-34	518	5.4
35-44	639	5.0
45-54	901	4.2
55-64	1,069	4.0
65+	1,002	4.2
White	3,330	2.4
Black	373	5.6
Hispanic	269	6.4
Asian	122	9.6
Other	330	5.9