

# DATA FOR PROGRESS

From February 17 to 22, 2023, Data for Progress conducted a survey of 1,243 likely voters nationally using web panel respondents. The sample was weighted to be representative of likely voters by age, gender, education, race, geography, and voting history. The survey was conducted in English. The margin of error is  $\pm 3$  percentage points.

N=1,243 unless otherwise specified. Some values may not add up to 100 due to rounding.

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<p><b>[1]</b> Which of the following do you blame most for the train derailment in East Palestine, Ohio?</p>	Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg .....	5%	2%	6%	7%
	The U.S. Department of Transportation .....	10	7	11	12
	Norfolk Southern, the railroad company involved in the derailment .....	49	50	52	47
	The train conductor .....	5	5	6	6
	The Democratic Party .....	7	9	4	9
	The Republican Party .....	4	6	2	3
	Don't know .....	19	23	19	16
<p><b>[2]</b> Do you think there are too many, too few, or about the right amount of safety precautions for railroad companies that transport hazardous materials?</p>	Too many .....	4%	6%	3%	4%
	About the right amount .....	24	20	24	28
	Too few .....	58	62	60	54
	Don't know .....	13	12	13	15
<p><b>[3]</b> Experts say that if the train involved in the East Palestine, Ohio derailment had upgraded to safer electronic brakes, the accident and the resulting environmental and health disaster could have been avoided.</p> <p>However, railroad companies say these new electronic braking systems would be expensive to install, raising costs for the railroad companies and raising costs for shipping cargo.</p> <p>Do you think U.S. regulators should require railroad companies to install upgraded electronic braking systems to their older trains?</p>	Yes, U.S. regulators should require railroad companies to install upgraded electronic braking systems to their older trains .....	76%	88%	76%	66%
	No, U.S. regulators should not require railroad companies to install upgraded electronic braking systems to their older trains .....	13	5	12	22
	Don't know .....	10	7	11	12
<p><b>[4]</b> Below are proposals to improve safety on American railroads. For each, say whether you support or oppose it.</p> <p>— Placing limits on the length and weight of freight trains carrying hazardous substances</p>	Strongly support .....	57%	63%	58%	50%
	Somewhat support .....	29	26	29	32
	Somewhat oppose .....	4	3	3	5
	Strongly oppose .....	2	2	3	2
	Don't know .....	8	6	8	11
	SUPPORT (TOTAL) .....	86%	89%	87%	82%
	OPPOSE (TOTAL) .....	6	5	6	7
SUPPORT (NET) .....	+80	+84	+81	+75	

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<b>[5]</b> Below are proposals to improve safety on American railroads. For each, say whether you support or oppose it.	Strongly support .....	62%	69%	63%	54%
— Strengthening safety regulations on railroad cars carrying liquified natural gas (LNG) and other highly flammable and explosive substances	Somewhat support .....	27	22	25	32
	Somewhat oppose .....	4	3	5	3
	Strongly oppose .....	1	2	1	1
	Don't know .....	7	5	5	9
	SUPPORT (TOTAL) .....	89%	91%	88%	86%
	OPPOSE (TOTAL) .....	5	5	6	4
	SUPPORT (NET) .....	<b>+84</b>	+86	+82	+82

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<b>[6]</b> Below are proposals to improve safety on American railroads. For each, say whether you support or oppose it.	Strongly support .....	49%	63%	45%	40%
— Ensuring that all railroad workers receive paid time off for sick leave and other needs	Somewhat support .....	31	24	33	36
	Somewhat oppose .....	7	4	9	8
	Strongly oppose .....	2	1	3	3
	Don't know .....	11	7	11	13
	SUPPORT (TOTAL) .....	80%	87%	78%	76%
	OPPOSE (TOTAL) .....	9	5	12	11
	SUPPORT (NET) .....	<b>+71</b>	+82	+66	+65

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<b>[7]</b> Below are proposals to improve safety on American railroads. For each, say whether you support or oppose it.	Strongly support .....	31%	34%	33%	26%
— Increasing the salaries of railroad workers	Somewhat support .....	37	42	34	35
	Somewhat oppose .....	11	6	13	14
	Strongly oppose .....	4	3	4	5
	Don't know .....	17	14	17	21
	SUPPORT (TOTAL) .....	68%	76%	67%	61%
	OPPOSE (TOTAL) .....	15	9	17	19
	SUPPORT (NET) .....	<b>+53</b>	+67	+50	+42

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<b>[8]</b> Below are proposals to improve safety on American railroads. For each, say whether you support or oppose it.	Strongly support .....	31%	37%	31%	27%
— Giving rail workers a more flexible schedule	Somewhat support .....	40	41	42	39
	Somewhat oppose .....	8	7	8	10
	Strongly oppose .....	3	2	2	4
	Don't know .....	17	14	17	20
	SUPPORT (TOTAL) .....	71%	78%	73%	66%
	OPPOSE (TOTAL) .....	11	9	10	14
	SUPPORT (NET) .....	<b>+60</b>	+69	+63	+52

**[9]** Below are proposals to improve safety on American railroads. For each, say whether you support or oppose it.

— Setting higher standards for maintenance and inspection on railroads

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Strongly support .....	63%	73%	61%	55%
Somewhat support .....	26	18	27	33
Somewhat oppose .....	3	3	4	3
Strongly oppose .....	1	1	1	1
Don't know .....	6	5	6	7
SUPPORT (TOTAL) .....	89%	91%	88%	88%
OPPOSE (TOTAL) .....	4	4	5	4
SUPPORT (NET) .....	<b>+85</b>	+87	+83	+84

**[10]** Below are proposals to improve safety on American railroads. For each, say whether you support or oppose it.

— Upgrading trains to electronic braking systems

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Strongly support .....	52%	63%	51%	43%
Somewhat support .....	29	24	27	35
Somewhat oppose .....	6	3	7	8
Strongly oppose .....	2	1	3	2
Don't know .....	10	8	11	12
SUPPORT (TOTAL) .....	81%	87%	78%	78%
OPPOSE (TOTAL) .....	8	4	10	10
SUPPORT (NET) .....	<b>+73</b>	+83	+68	+68