

From December 14 to 15, 2024, Data for Progress conducted a survey of 1,195 U.S. likely voters nationally using web panel respondents. The sample was weighted to be representative of likely voters by age, gender, education, race, geography, and recalled presidential vote. The survey was conducted in English. The margin of error associated with the sample size is ±3 percentage points. Results for subgroups of the sample are subject to increased margins of error. Partisanship reflected in tabulations is based on self-identified party affiliation, not partisan registration. For more information please visit [dataforprogress.org/our-methodology](https://dataforprogress.org/our-methodology).

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N=1,195 unless otherwise specified.

**[1]** When thinking about the role of government, which of the following comes closest to your view, even if neither is exactly right?

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
The government should do more to solve problems and help Americans	56	67	55	45	61	49	52	58	55	57	60	55	51
The government is doing the right amount	15	19	9	13	13	17	24	10	14	16	22	12	26
The government is doing too much that should be the responsibility of private companies	22	9	25	34	17	28	12	27	22	22	9	26	14
Don't know	7	5	11	7	9	5	12	5	9	5	9	7	10
Weighted N	1,195	465	263	467	637	558	395	800	770	425	130	851	168

**[2]** The Department of Government Efficiency is considering each of the proposals below.

How concerned or not concerned are you about each of the following?

— Cutting veterans' healthcare

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
Very concerned	61	67	63	54	65	57	49	67	61	62	61	64	53
Somewhat concerned	23	20	22	26	20	27	28	21	23	23	17	22	25
Only a little concerned	8	9	6	9	8	8	14	6	8	8	17	6	12
Not all concerned	7	3	8	11	7	8	9	7	8	7	5	8	11
Weighted N	1,195	465	263	467	637	558	395	800	770	425	130	851	168

**[3]** The Department of Government Efficiency is considering each of the proposals below.

How concerned or not concerned are you about each of the following?

— Reducing FDA and USDA food inspections

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
Very concerned	52	70	48	36	59	45	47	55	51	53	56	52	45
Somewhat concerned	27	20	29	31	23	30	30	25	27	26	25	26	32
Only a little concerned	12	6	13	18	10	14	12	12	12	13	11	13	11
Not all concerned	9	4	10	14	8	11	11	8	10	8	8	9	12
Weighted N	1,195	465	263	467	637	558	395	800	770	425	130	851	168

**[4]** The Department of Government Efficiency is considering each of the proposals below.

How concerned or not concerned are you about each of the following?

— Reducing environmental and toxic waste clean up

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
Very concerned	49	66	55	27	54	42	45	50	47	52	57	47	43
Somewhat concerned	28	25	24	34	26	30	34	25	30	25	29	26	38
Only a little concerned	12	5	11	21	11	14	12	13	12	13	7	14	9
Not all concerned	11	4	10	18	9	13	10	11	11	10	7	12	10
Weighted N	1,195	465	263	467	637	558	395	800	770	425	130	851	168

**[5]** The Department of Government Efficiency is considering each of the proposals below.

How concerned or not concerned are you about each of the following?

— Reducing road and highway maintenance

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
Very concerned	47	61	46	32	50	42	42	49	45	49	49	46	50
Somewhat concerned	32	25	34	37	30	34	33	31	31	33	27	33	30
Only a little concerned	13	8	12	18	11	15	14	12	13	13	16	13	10
Not all concerned	9	5	8	13	9	9	11	8	11	6	7	9	10
Weighted N	1,195	465	263	467	637	558	395	800	770	425	130	851	168

**[6]** The Department of Government Efficiency is considering each of the proposals below.

How concerned or not concerned are you about each of the following?

— Reducing mail delivery from USPS

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
Very concerned	43	58	41	29	47	39	43	43	43	43	50	42	40
Somewhat concerned	26	21	29	30	27	26	26	27	27	25	20	27	25
Only a little concerned	18	15	17	22	17	20	18	19	17	21	22	18	20
Not all concerned	12	6	14	18	10	15	13	12	13	11	7	13	14
Weighted N	1,195	465	263	467	637	558	395	800	770	425	130	851	168

**[7]** The Department of Government Efficiency is considering each of the proposals below.

How concerned or not concerned are you about each of the following?

— Reducing research for cancer, chronic illness, and infectious disease

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
Very concerned	53	72	51	36	61	45	48	56	51	57	63	53	46
Somewhat concerned	26	18	30	32	23	30	29	25	27	24	21	25	30
Only a little concerned	11	7	11	16	9	15	14	10	11	12	9	12	15
Not all concerned	9	3	8	16	8	11	9	9	10	8	7	10	9
Weighted N	1,195	465	263	467	637	558	395	800	770	425	130	851	168

**[8]** The Department of Government Efficiency is considering each of the proposals below.

How concerned or not concerned are you about each of the following?

— Downsizing national defense

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
Very concerned	51	54	52	48	54	48	40	56	52	49	46	52	49
Somewhat concerned	25	25	25	24	25	24	31	22	24	26	23	23	27
Only a little concerned	13	12	13	14	11	15	15	12	12	15	23	13	12
Not all concerned	11	9	10	14	10	13	14	10	12	10	8	12	12
Weighted N	1,195	465	263	467	637	558	395	800	770	425	130	851	168

**[9]** The Department of Government Efficiency is considering each of the proposals below.

How concerned or not concerned are you about each of the following?

— Cutting Social Security benefits

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
Very concerned	70	78	72	60	75	64	54	77	70	69	64	71	61
Somewhat concerned	17	15	11	22	14	20	25	12	16	18	16	16	25
Only a little concerned	8	5	9	10	7	9	14	5	8	7	9	7	9
Not all concerned	6	2	8	9	5	7	7	6	6	6	10	6	5
Weighted N	1,195	465	263	467	637	558	395	800	770	425	130	851	168

**[10]** The Department of Government Efficiency is considering each of the proposals below.

How concerned or not concerned are you about each of the following?

— Reducing federal disaster response and weather monitoring

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
Very concerned	49	65	50	33	53	45	46	51	47	53	53	49	50
Somewhat concerned	29	23	28	35	28	30	29	29	30	27	29	29	29
Only a little concerned	13	9	11	18	10	16	15	12	13	12	10	13	13
Not all concerned	9	3	11	14	9	10	10	9	10	7	9	9	8
Weighted N	1,195	465	263	467	637	558	395	800	770	425	130	851	168

**[11]** The Department of Government Efficiency is considering each of the proposals below.

How concerned or not concerned are you about each of the following?

— Cutting food assistance programs for low-income families

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
Very concerned	55	73	51	41	61	49	54	56	58	50	64	54	59
Somewhat concerned	23	17	26	28	20	27	22	24	21	27	16	25	21
Only a little concerned	11	6	12	14	10	11	13	10	9	13	11	10	10
Not all concerned	11	4	11	17	9	12	11	11	11	10	9	11	10
Weighted N	1,195	465	263	467	637	558	395	800	770	425	130	851	168

**[12]** The Department of Government Efficiency is considering each of the proposals below.

How concerned or not concerned are you about each of the following?

— Cutting public health care benefits, such as Medicare, Medicaid, and the Affordable Care Act

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
Very concerned	65	78	65	51	70	58	55	69	66	61	65	65	58
Somewhat concerned	18	13	19	24	15	23	24	16	15	25	16	18	20
Only a little concerned	10	6	7	15	9	11	13	8	11	7	9	9	16
Not all concerned	7	3	9	11	6	9	7	8	8	7	10	7	6
Weighted N	1,195	465	263	467	637	558	395	800	770	425	130	851	168

**[13]** The Department of Government Efficiency is considering each of the proposals below.

How concerned or not concerned are you about each of the following?

— Cutting the federal workforce by 75%

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
Very concerned	42	64	43	21	49	34	42	43	41	44	48	41	41
Somewhat concerned	25	24	24	27	25	25	33	21	25	26	33	23	31
Only a little concerned	16	9	16	24	12	21	15	17	17	16	11	17	19
Not all concerned	16	4	17	28	13	19	9	19	17	14	8	19	9
Weighted N	1,195	465	263	467	637	558	395	800	770	425	130	851	168

**[14]** The Department of Government Efficiency is considering each of the proposals below.

How concerned or not concerned are you about each of the following?

— Cutting funding for national parks

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
Very concerned	37	55	31	22	42	31	39	35	34	41	46	35	38
Somewhat concerned	28	25	34	28	25	32	28	28	29	27	26	28	32
Only a little concerned	22	15	22	30	22	22	19	24	22	22	18	23	17
Not all concerned	13	6	13	20	11	15	13	13	15	10	10	13	13
Weighted N	1,195	465	263	467	637	558	395	800	770	425	130	851	168

**[15]** The Department of Government Efficiency is considering each of the proposals below.

How concerned or not concerned are you about each of the following?

— Reducing student loan aid and administration

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
Very concerned	34	51	29	19	41	26	41	30	33	35	48	30	36
Somewhat concerned	24	26	24	21	19	28	27	22	23	25	24	23	33
Only a little concerned	18	12	22	22	18	19	18	19	18	18	15	18	19
Not all concerned	24	11	25	37	22	27	15	29	26	22	12	29	12
Weighted N	1,195	465	263	467	637	558	395	800	770	425	130	851	168

**[16]** When thinking about Elon Musk's leadership of the proposed Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE), which of the following comes closest to your view, even if neither is exactly right?

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
Elon Musk successfully worked with President Obama to have SpaceX, Musk's space technology company, replace previous contractors like Boeing and Lockheed Martin. Musk has shown he has experience saving taxpayers money and helping the government improve.	35	15	33	55	32	38	33	36	37	31	21	39	33
Elon Musk is already the beneficiary of multiple federal contracts. Through DOGE, Musk will be able to redirect more government resources towards himself and weaponize the federal government to undermine his business rivals, like Rivian and Blue Origin. Musk isn't interested in efficiency, he's only interested in enriching himself.	51	74	49	29	55	47	51	51	46	60	61	49	51
Don't know	14	10	18	15	14	14	16	13	17	9	18	12	15
Weighted N	1,195	465	263	467	637	558	395	800	770	425	130	851	168

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N=604 unless otherwise specified.

**[1]** Supporters of the Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE) say it will benefit Americans by cutting wasteful spending and reducing burdensome regulations. They say this will help taxpayers and small businesses.

Critics of the Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE) say it is being run by billionaire Elon Musk in order to steal from you by cutting Social Security, Medicare, and veterans health care to give tax breaks to giant corporations and billionaires like Musk.

Based on what you know now, do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the Department of Government Efficiency?

(SPLIT A)

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White
Very favorable	21	10	14	35	16	26	19	21	18	25	9	24
Somewhat favorable	18	11	16	26	17	19	25	15	22	12	26	18
Somewhat unfavorable	12	13	9	12	10	13	16	10	11	14	8	12
Very unfavorable	31	52	40	8	30	33	27	33	27	39	43	28
Haven't heard enough to say	18	14	21	20	26	9	13	20	23	10	14	19
FAVORABLE (TOTAL)	39	21	30	61	33	45	44	36	40	37	35	42
UNFAVORABLE (TOTAL)	43	65	49	20	40	46	43	43	38	53	51	40
FAVORABLE (NET)	-4	-44	-19	+41	-7	-1	+1	-7	+2	-16	-16	+2
Weighted N	604	220	140	244	321	283	184	420	389	215	66	430

**[2]** Supporters of the Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE) say it will benefit Americans by cutting wasteful spending and reducing burdensome regulations. They say this will help taxpayers and small businesses.

Critics of the Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE) say it is being run by billionaire Elon Musk in order to cut Social Security, Medicare, and veterans health care.

Based on what you know now, do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the Department of Government Efficiency? (N=597)

(SPLIT B)

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino
Very favorable	22	12	15	35	17	27	19	23	23	20	23	22	18
Somewhat favorable	18	12	25	23	17	20	25	15	18	19	18	18	26
Somewhat unfavorable	13	13	9	14	11	14	11	14	13	12	7	13	22
Very unfavorable	29	51	26	9	33	24	26	31	25	37	32	30	16
Haven't heard enough to say	18	13	25	20	21	14	19	17	21	12	21	17	18
FAVORABLE (TOTAL)	40	24	40	58	34	47	44	38	41	39	41	40	44
UNFAVORABLE (TOTAL)	42	64	35	23	44	38	37	45	38	49	39	43	38
FAVORABLE (NET)	-2	-40	+5	+35	-10	+9	+7	-7	+3	-10	+2	-3	+6
Weighted N	597	250	104	243	318	279	193	404	385	212	65	425	89



From January 24 to 27, 2025, Data for Progress conducted a survey of 1,260 U.S. likely voters nationally using web panel respondents. The sample was weighted to be representative of likely voters by age, gender, education, race, geography, and recalled presidential vote. The survey was conducted in English. The margin of error associated with the sample size is ±3 percentage points. Results for subgroups of the sample are subject to increased margins of error. Partisanship reflected in tabulations is based on self-identified party affiliation, not partisan registration. For more information please visit [dataforprogress.org/our-methodology](https://dataforprogress.org/our-methodology).

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N=633 unless otherwise specified.

**[1]** Supporters of the Department of Government Efficiency say it will benefit Americans by cutting wasteful spending and reducing burdensome regulations. They say this will help taxpayers and small businesses.

Critics of the Department of Government Efficiency say it is being run by billionaire Elon Musk in order to steal from you by cutting Social Security, Medicare, and veterans health care to give tax breaks to giant corporations and billionaires like Musk.

Knowing what you know now, do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE)?

(SPLIT A)

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College
Very favorable	19	4	15	37	14	25	14	21	20	18
Somewhat favorable	20	16	14	29	17	24	23	19	19	22
Somewhat unfavorable	13	18	10	12	17	10	15	13	13	14
Very unfavorable	29	45	40	4	32	25	26	30	25	35
Haven't heard enough to say	19	17	21	19	20	17	22	17	23	11
FAVORABLE (TOTAL)	39	20	29	66	31	49	37	40	39	40
UNFAVORABLE (TOTAL)	42	63	50	16	49	35	41	43	38	49
FAVORABLE (NET)	-3	-43	-21	+50	-18	+14	-4	-3	+1	-9
Weighted N	633	237	158	238	335	298	189	444	398	235

**[2]** Supporters of the Department of Government Efficiency say it will benefit Americans by cutting wasteful spending and reducing burdensome regulations. They say this will help taxpayers and small businesses.

Critics of the Department of Government Efficiency say it is being run by billionaire Elon Musk in order to give tax breaks to giant corporations and billionaires like Musk.

Knowing what you know now, do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE)? (N=627)

(SPLIT B)

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College
Very favorable	22	8	15	38	14	30	17	24	24	17
Somewhat favorable	22	15	21	28	24	20	25	21	23	20
Somewhat unfavorable	13	15	13	11	13	13	13	13	11	17
Very unfavorable	28	54	30	5	30	26	30	27	25	34
Haven't heard enough to say	15	8	21	18	19	10	16	14	17	12
FAVORABLE (TOTAL)	44	23	36	66	38	50	42	45	47	37
UNFAVORABLE (TOTAL)	41	69	43	16	43	39	43	40	36	51
FAVORABLE (NET)	+3	-46	-7	+50	-5	+11	-1	+5	+11	-14
Weighted N	627	218	153	256	336	291	223	404	414	213