

CBS News Poll
Partisans View the Other Side's Rallies and Protests with Suspicion
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Q20 Looking ahead to the next two years, do you think Americans will become more united politically, more divided politically, or will things stay about the same?

	** TOTAL RESPONDENTS **			
	Total	Rep	Dem	Ind
	%	%	%	%
More united	13	15	13	13
More divided	50	43	55	50
Stay the same	34	39	29	34
Don't know/No answer	3	3	3	3

Q21. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: The American way of life - that is, the things that make us uniquely American, like our culture, values and traditions - is in danger of disappearing.

Agree	62	61	64	62
Disagree	34	35	33	35
Don't know/No answer	3	4	3	3

Q22. When you think about what the American way of life represents, how important to you are each of the following - very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not important at all? How about...?

a. Taking care of people who can't take care of themselves.

Very important	80	72	88	79
Somewhat important	16	21	10	17
Not too important	3	4	1	3
Not important at all	1	1	*	1
Don't know/No answer	1	2	*	1

b. Self-reliance and taking care of yourself.

Very important	85	95	73	89
Somewhat important	12	4	22	9
Not too important	2	1	3	1
Not important at all	*	*	1	*
Don't know/No answer	*	*	1	*

c. Welcoming and accepting people of different cultures.

Very important	70	54	81	71
Somewhat important	23	34	16	22
Not too important	4	7	1	4
Not important at all	3	4	2	2
Don't know/No answer	1	1	*	1

d. Preserving the cultural heritage of America's founders.

	** TOTAL RESPONDENTS **			
	Total	Rep	Dem	Ind
	%	%	%	%
Very important	59	77	44	60
Somewhat important	24	18	30	24
Not too important	10	3	15	9
Not important at all	5	*	8	5
Don't know/No answer	2	1	3	1

g. That people can protest against authority.

Very important	62	38	75	66
Somewhat important	27	41	21	23
Not too important	5	10	2	4
Not important at all	4	6	2	4
Don't know/No answer	2	5	1	2

h. That people show respect for authority.

Very important	68	88	52	68
Somewhat important	25	9	37	24
Not too important	5	2	7	5
Not important at all	1	*	3	1
Don't know/No answer	1	1	2	1

Q23. Has what you've seen in Washington over the last year made you more likely to speak up and let your political views be known, less likely to speak up and let your political views be known, or has there been no change?

More likely	53	51	68	42
Less likely	12	12	10	13
No change	34	36	22	43
Don't know/No answer	2	2	1	3

Q24. In general, do you think people who attend protests, marches, and demonstrations to oppose President Trump are expressing themselves in a safe and responsible way, or are they mostly being dangerous and irresponsible?

Safe and responsible	51	27	74	47
Dangerous and irresponsible	42	70	19	43
Don't know/No answer	7	4	6	10

Q25. In general, do you think people who attend rallies, marches, and demonstrations to support President Trump are expressing themselves in a safe and responsible way, or are they mostly being dangerous and irresponsible?

**** TOTAL RESPONDENTS ****

	Total	Rep	Dem	Ind
	%	%	%	%
Safe and responsible	55	75	41	54
Dangerous and irresponsible	36	17	50	36
Don't know/No answer	9	8	9	10

Q26. (How well does the Republican Party represent your values --very well, moderately well, not too well, or not well at all?)

Very well	17	44	3	10
Moderately well	31	52	9	36
Not too well	21	3	28	27
Not well at all	29	1	59	23
Don't know/No answer	2	*	1	4

Q27. How well does the Democratic Party represent your values --very well, moderately well, not too well, or not well at all?

Very well	16	2	36	8
Moderately well	38	8	55	45
Not too well	16	25	5	21
Not well at all	27	63	3	22
Don't know/No answer	2	2	1	4

Q28. Generally, do you think immigrants coming to the United States make American society better in the long run, make American society worse in the long run, or don't you think immigrants coming to the U.S. have much of an effect on American society one way or the other?

Better	53	39	71	48
Worse	14	26	7	12
Not much effect	24	23	19	29
Depends (vol.)	4	7	*	6
Don't know/No answer	5	5	3	6

Q29. Do you favor or oppose building a wall along the U.S.-Mexico border to try to stop illegal immigration?

Favor	37	76	9	34
Oppose	60	19	89	62
Don't know/No answer	3	4	2	4

Q30. From what you have heard or read, do you approve or disapprove of the tax law that was passed by Congress and signed by Donald Trump? IF APPROVE: Do you strongly approve or somewhat approve? IF DISAPPROVE: Do you somewhat disapprove or strongly disapprove?

**** TOTAL RESPONDENTS ****

	Total	Rep	Dem	Ind
	%	%	%	%
Strongly approve	21	57	2	14
Somewhat approve	14	19	6	18
Somewhat disapprove	13	5	17	15
Strongly disapprove	31	4	57	27
Don't know/No answer	20	15	18	26

Q31. Which of the following three statements comes closest to expressing your overall view of the health care system in the United States? 1. On the whole, the healthcare system works pretty well and only minor changes are necessary to make it work better. 2. There are some good things in our health care system, but fundamental changes are needed. 3. Our healthcare system has so much wrong with it that we need to completely rebuild it.

Minor changes	16	18	14	16
Fundamental changes	52	52	56	48
Rebuild	31	29	29	35
Don't know/No answer	1	1	1	2

Q32. Who is more responsible for things you LIKE about the current health care system – the Democratic Party because it passed Obamacare in 2010, or the Republican Party because it made changes to Obamacare in 2017, both equally, or neither?

Democratic Party	35	6	70	26
Republican Party	24	58	5	19
Both equally	14	11	11	19
Neither	24	22	13	33
Don't know/No answer	3	3	2	4

Q33. Who is more responsible for things you DON'T LIKE about the current health care system – the Democratic Party because it passed Obamacare in 2010, or the Republican Party because it made changes to Obamacare in 2017, both equally, or neither?

Democratic Party	28	60	8	24
Republican Party	29	7	57	21
Both equally	21	15	18	28
Neither	18	14	13	24
Don't know/No answer	4	4	3	4

Q34. Would you favor or oppose the government offering everyone a government administered health insurance plan--something like the Medicare coverage that people 65 and older get--that would compete with private health insurance plans?

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	Total	Rep	Dem	Ind
	%	%	%	%
Favor	65	39	84	67
Oppose	30	56	12	28
Don't know/No answer	5	5	4	5

Q35. Do you think global warming is an environmental problem that is causing a serious impact now, or do you think the impact of global warming won't happen until sometime in the future, or do you think global warming won't have a serious impact at all?

Causing a serious problem now	55	22	79	57
Impact sometime in the future	22	29	14	23
Won't have a serious impact at all	19	40	4	16
Doesn't exist (vol.)	2	4	1	1
Don't know/No answer	3	4	1	4

Q36. Which statement comes closest to your view about global warming? 1. Global warming is caused mostly by human activity such as burning fossil fuels. 2. warming is caused mostly by natural patterns in the earth's environment. 3. warming does not exist

Human activity	61	34	85	60
Natural patterns	27	51	9	26
Global warming does not exist	7	12	4	7
Caused by both (vol.)	3	1	1	6
Don't know what causes it (vol.)	*	*	*	1
Don't know/No answer	2	2	2	1

Q37. Do you think global warming has an effect on the frequency and severity of hurricanes and tropical storms that hit the U.S., or do you think global warming has nothing to do with this?

Has an effect	65	38	83	67
Has nothing to do with it	29	55	12	25
Don't know/No answer	7	7	5	7

Q38. In the last two years, have you participated in a protest, rally, march, or demonstration for a political cause, or not?

Yes	16	7	28	12
No	84	93	72	88
Don't know/No answer	*	-	-	*

Q39. In the last two years, have you given money to a candidate, party or other organization that supported or opposed candidates during an election campaign, or not?

**** TOTAL RESPONDENTS ****

	Total	Rep	Dem	Ind
	%	%	%	%
Yes, have done	23	23	32	17
No, have not done	76	77	68	83
Don't know/No answer	*	*	-	*

	<u>UNWEIGHTED</u>	<u>WEIGHTED</u>
Total Respondents	1,108	
Total Republicans	288	292
Total Democrats	387	369
Total Independents	433	447