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## U.S. Politics

*Survey of Americans*



April 20, 2026



# Methodology

This week, we conducted a survey of Americans to explore their views on American politics.

## Method

Online survey among respondents 18 years of age or older.  
(American sample: **n= 1,004**)

Respondents were randomly recruited using LEO's online panel.

## Weighting

Results were weighted according to **age, gender, region, education, ethnicity, and number of people in the household** in order to ensure a representative sample of the American population.

## When

Data collection from **April 17 to April 20, 2026**.

## Margin of error

For comparison purposes, a probability sample of this size yields a margin of error no greater than **±3.09%**, (19 times out of 20) for the American sample.

## Significant differences

Data in bold **red** characters indicate a significantly lower proportion than that of other respondents. Conversely, data in bold **green** characters indicate a significantly higher proportion than that of other respondents.

## Rounded data

The numbers presented have been rounded up. However, the numbers before rounding were used to calculate the sums presented and might therefore not correspond to the manual addition of these numbers.

## Questions

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## Notes

A more detailed methodology is presented in the Appendix.

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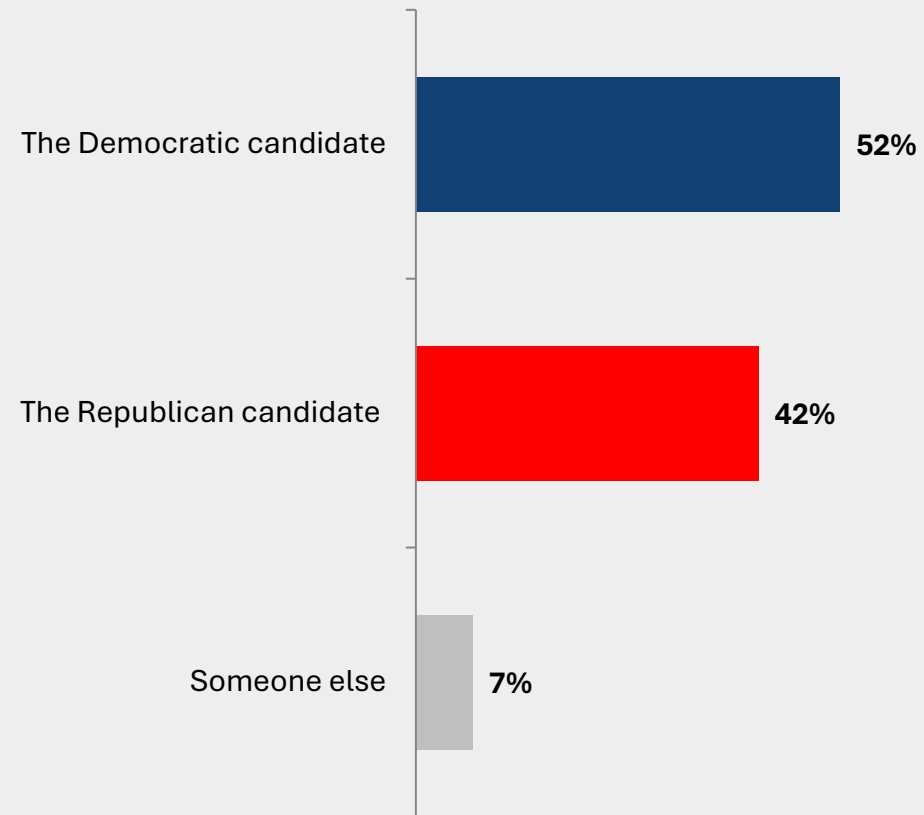


# 1. Voting intentions

## Voting Intentions for the 2028 Presidential Election (1/2)

**Q1.** If the 2028 presidential election were held today, would you vote for the Republican candidate or the Democratic candidate?

Base: Decided voters (n=844)



# Voting Intentions for the 2028 Presidential Election (2/2)

**Q1.** If the 2028 presidential election were held today, would you vote for the Republican candidate or the Democratic candidate?

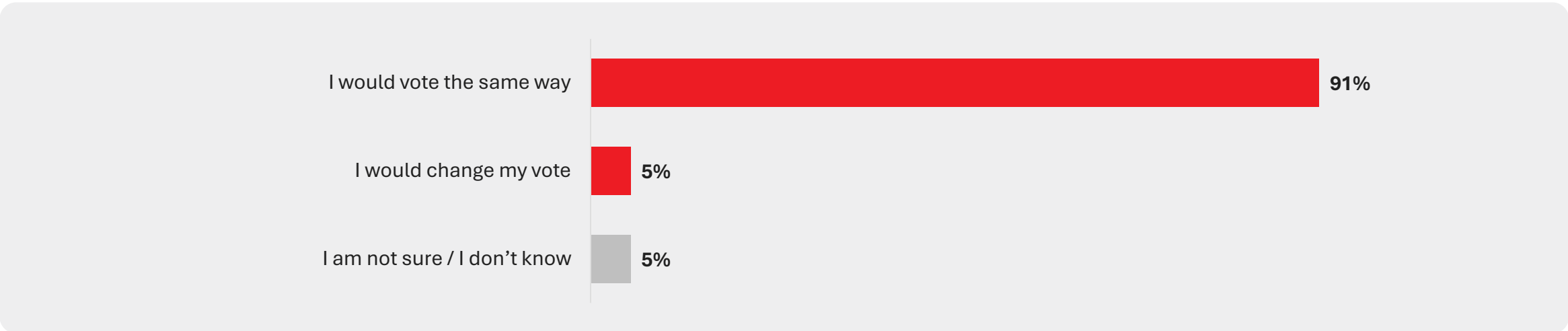
Base: All respondents (n=1,004) / Decided voters (n=844)

	TOTAL ALL RESPONDENTS	TOTAL DECIDED VOTERS	North East	Mid West	South	West	18-34	35-54	55+	Male	Female	TOTAL DECIDED VOTERS Oct. 27, 2025	Gap
<i>Weighted n=</i>	<b>1,004</b>	<b>804</b>	148	163	301	191	198	258	348	403	401	<b>787</b>	
<i>Unweighted n=</i>	<b>1,004</b>	<b>844</b>	170	182	309	183	79	273	492	454	390	<b>822</b>	
The Democratic candidate	<b>41%</b>	<b>52%</b>	56%	53%	<b>45%</b>	58%	60%	55%	<b>44%</b>	48%	55%	<b>50%</b>	+2
The Republican candidate	<b>33%</b>	<b>42%</b>	40%	42%	<b>51%</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>29%</b>	40%	<b>51%</b>	46%	38%	<b>46%</b>	-4
Someone else	<b>5%</b>	<b>7%</b>	4%	6%	5%	<b>12%</b>	11%	6%	5%	6%	7%	<b>5%</b>	+2
Can't vote	<b>2%</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Won't vote	<b>9%</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Don't know	<b>10%</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

# Reconsideration of 2024 Presidential Vote

**Q14.** Looking back, would you vote the same way in the 2024 Presidential election, or would you make a different choice?

Base: Respondents who voted in the 2024 Presidential election (n=829)



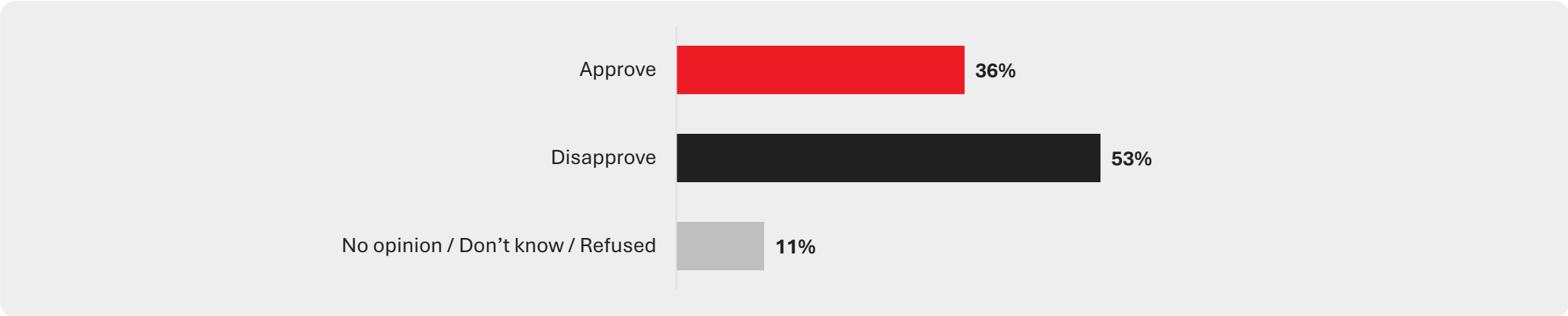
		Vote in the 2024 Presidential Election														
	Total U.S.	North East	Mid West	South	West	18-34	35-54	55+	Male	Female	Republican	Democrat	Independent	Donald Trump	Kamala Harris	Someone else
Weighted n=	752	136	151	283	182	179	230	344	373	379	275	283	180	383	354	15
Unweighted n=	829	173	176	300	180	72	258	499	446	383	290	310	217	380	420	29*
I would vote the same way	91%	90%	94%	87%	94%	85%	89%	95%	90%	92%	91%	97%	85%	84%	98%	85%
I would change my vote	5%	5%	4%	7%	3%	8%	6%	2%	6%	3%	4%	2%	8%	8%	1%	13%
I am not sure / I don't know	5%	5%	3%	6%	3%	7%	4%	3%	4%	5%	5%	1%	7%	8%	1%	3%

\*Due to the low number of respondents (n<30), results are presented for indicative purposes only.

# Approval of Donald Trump’s Job Performance

**Q2.** Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as President?

Base: All respondents (n=1,004)



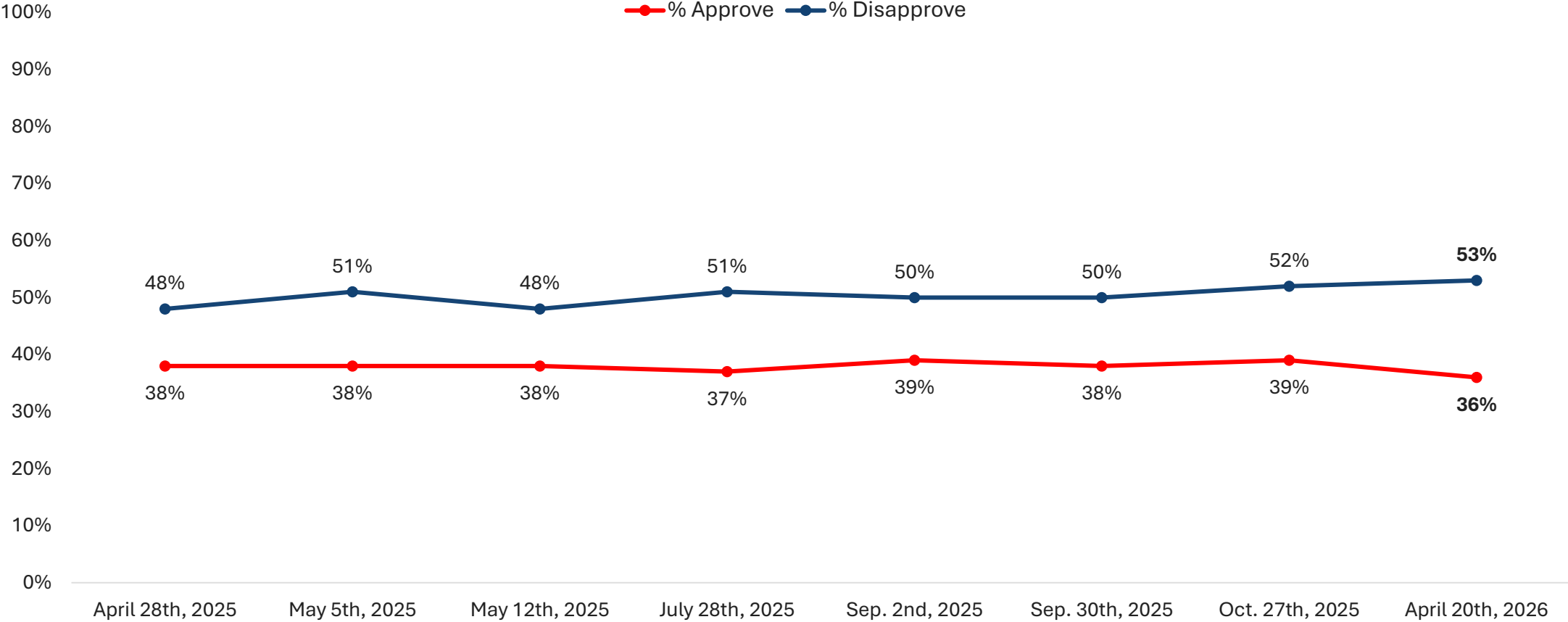
		Vote in the 2024 Presidential Election														
	Total U.S.	North East	Mid West	South	West	18-34	35-54	55+	Male	Female	Republican	Democrat	Independent	Donald Trump	Kamala Harris	Someone else
Weighted n=	1,004	183	216	378	228	267	332	405	480	524	301	336	300	383	354	15
Unweighted n=	1,004	204	221	363	216	105	336	563	518	486	312	344	299	380	420	29*
Approve	36%	36%	32%	41%	32%	30%	31%	44%	42%	31%	80%	10%	27%	76%	4%	2%
Disapprove	53%	56%	58%	46%	58%	50%	57%	52%	49%	57%	14%	87%	59%	17%	95%	46%
No opinion / DK / Refusal	11%	9%	11%	13%	10%	20%	11%	4%	9%	13%	6%	3%	14%	7%	2%	52%

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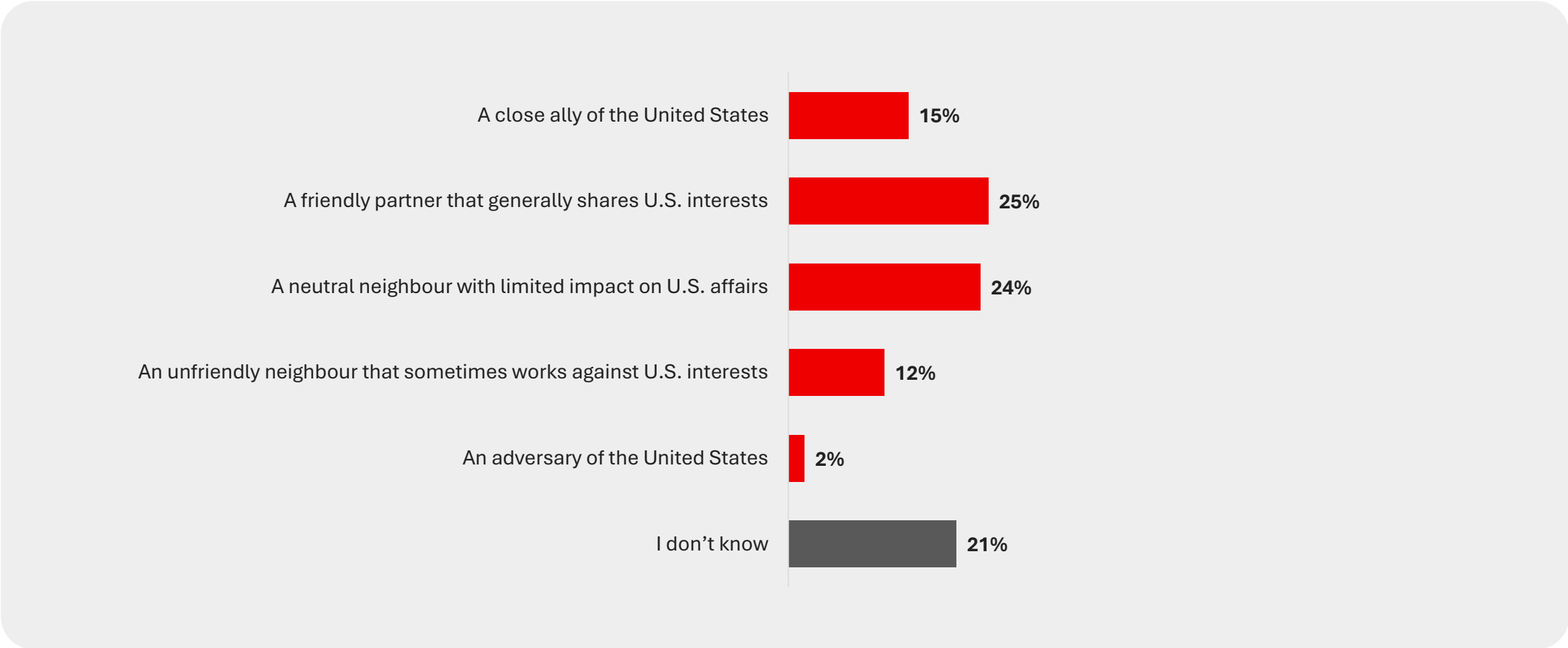


## 2. Canada Relations & Trade Context

# Perceptions of Canada in the U.S.–Canada Economic Relationship (1/2)

**Q5.** Thinking about the economic and trade relationship between the United States and Canada, how would you describe Canada today?

Base: All respondents (n=1,004)



## Perceptions of Canada in the U.S.–Canada Economic Relationship (2/2)

**Q5.** Thinking about the economic and trade relationship between the United States and Canada, how would you describe Canada today?

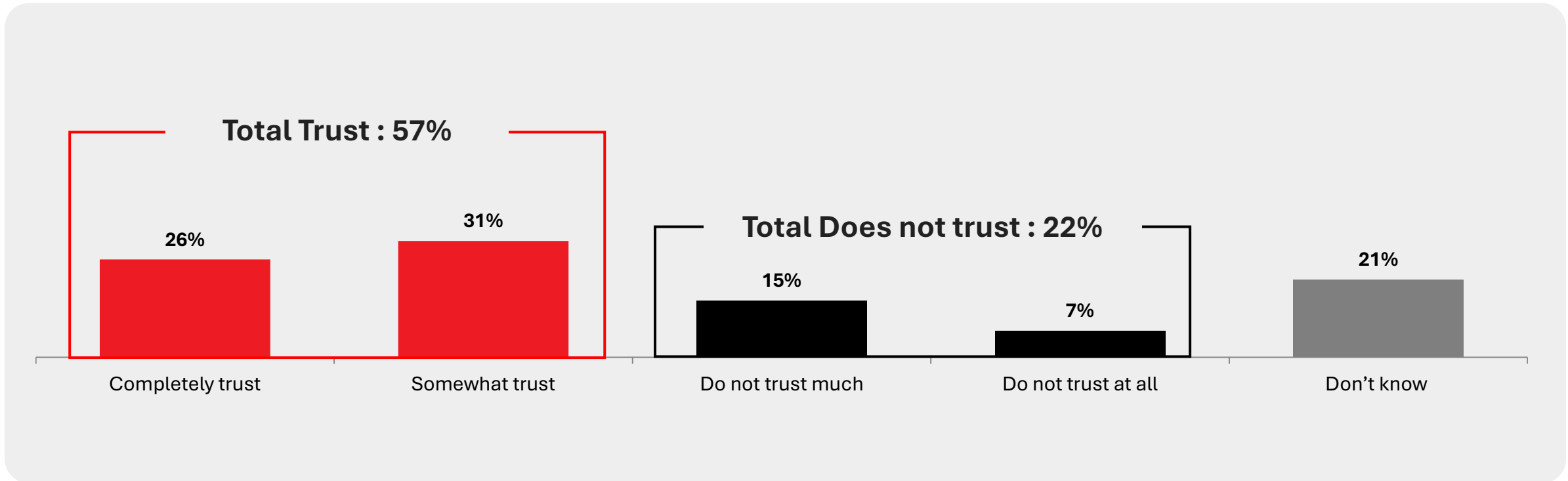
Base: All respondents (n=1,004)

	Total U.S.	North East	Mid West	South	West	18-34	35-54	55+	Male	Female	Republican	Democrat	Independent
<i>Weighted n=</i>	<b>1,004</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>378</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>332</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>524</b>	<b>301</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>300</b>
<i>Unweighted n=</i>	<b>1,004</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>363</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>563</b>	<b>518</b>	<b>486</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>299</b>
A close ally of the United States	<b>15%</b>	18%	11%	13%	21%	21%	15%	<b>12%</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>9%</b>	15%	<b>21%</b>	12%
A friendly partner that generally shares U.S. interests	<b>25%</b>	29%	21%	26%	25%	19%	27%	28%	<b>29%</b>	<b>22%</b>	26%	27%	25%
A neutral neighbour with limited impact on U.S. affairs	<b>24%</b>	24%	28%	24%	22%	18%	25%	27%	22%	26%	27%	23%	25%
An unfriendly neighbour that sometimes works against U.S. interests	<b>12%</b>	12%	11%	13%	12%	11%	<b>8%</b>	<b>17%</b>	12%	12%	<b>19%</b>	<b>8%</b>	11%
An adversary of the United States	<b>2%</b>	1%	<b>6%</b>	2%	1%	4%	2%	1%	2%	2%	3%	3%	2%
I don't know	<b>21%</b>	16%	25%	23%	18%	26%	23%	<b>15%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>10%</b>	18%	25%

## Trust in Canada’s Good-Faith Negotiation in U.S.–Canada Trade (1/2)

**Q6.** In light of recent trade tensions between the United States and Canada, how much do you trust that Canada is negotiating in good faith and seeking a fair outcome for both countries?

Base: All respondents (n=1,004)



## Trust in Canada’s Good-Faith Negotiation in U.S.–Canada Trade (2/2)

**Q6.** In light of recent trade tensions between the United States and Canada, how much do you trust that Canada is negotiating in good faith and seeking a fair outcome for both countries?

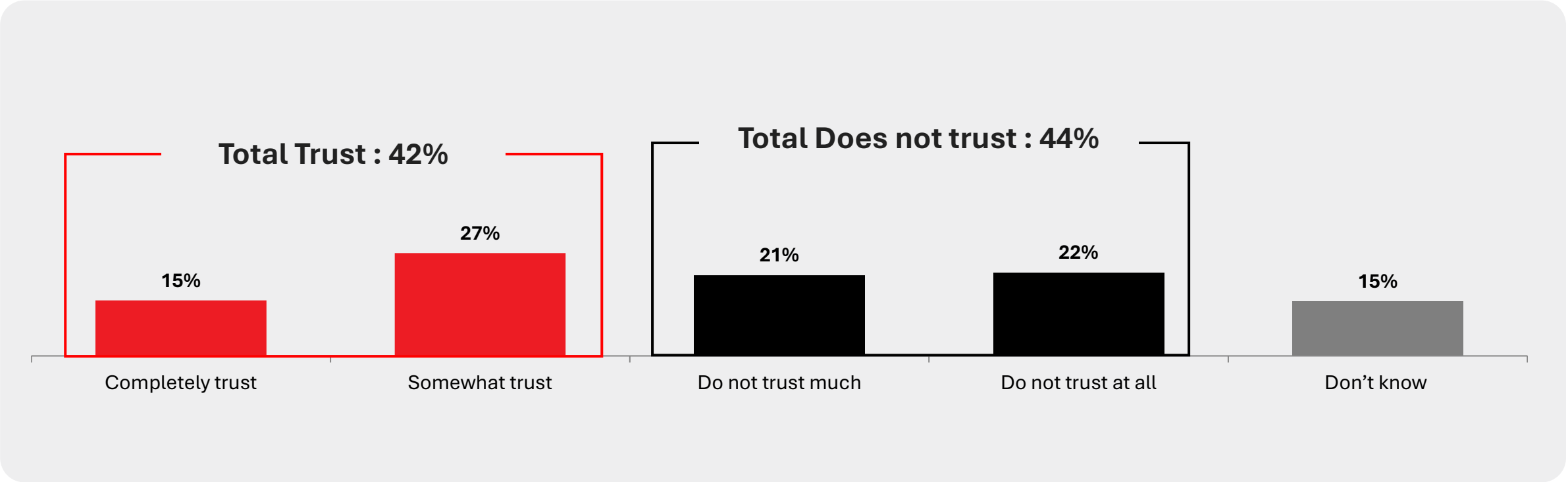
Base: All respondents (n=1,004)

	Total U.S.	North East	Mid West	South	West	18-34	35-54	55+	Male	Female	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Weighted n=	1,004	183	216	378	228	267	332	405	480	524	301	336	300
Unweighted n=	1,004	204	221	363	216	105	336	563	518	486	312	344	299
<b>TOTAL TRUST</b>	<b>57%</b>	64%	56%	<b>51%</b>	63%	54%	57%	59%	<b>65%</b>	<b>50%</b>	53%	<b>71%</b>	54%
Completely trust	<b>26%</b>	31%	29%	<b>19%</b>	31%	24%	25%	28%	<b>35%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>41%</b>	22%
Somewhat trust	<b>31%</b>	33%	27%	32%	31%	29%	32%	31%	30%	32%	34%	30%	32%
<b>TOTAL DOES NOT TRUST</b>	<b>22%</b>	18%	20%	<b>29%</b>	<b>16%</b>	23%	20%	24%	24%	21%	<b>33%</b>	<b>12%</b>	25%
Do not trust much	<b>15%</b>	14%	14%	18%	12%	16%	13%	17%	17%	13%	<b>22%</b>	<b>9%</b>	17%
Do not trust at all	<b>7%</b>	5%	6%	<b>11%</b>	4%	7%	7%	7%	7%	7%	<b>10%</b>	<b>3%</b>	8%
Don’t know	<b>21%</b>	18%	24%	20%	21%	23%	23%	<b>17%</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>15%</b>	17%	21%

# Trust in the U.S. Administration's Good-Faith Negotiation (1/2)

**Q7.** Conversely, how much do you trust that the U.S. administration is negotiating in good faith and seeking a fair outcome for both countries?

Base: All respondents (n=1,004)



## Trust in the U.S. Administration’s Good-Faith Negotiation (2/2)

**Q7.** Conversely, how much do you trust that the U.S. administration is negotiating in good faith and seeking a fair outcome for both countries?

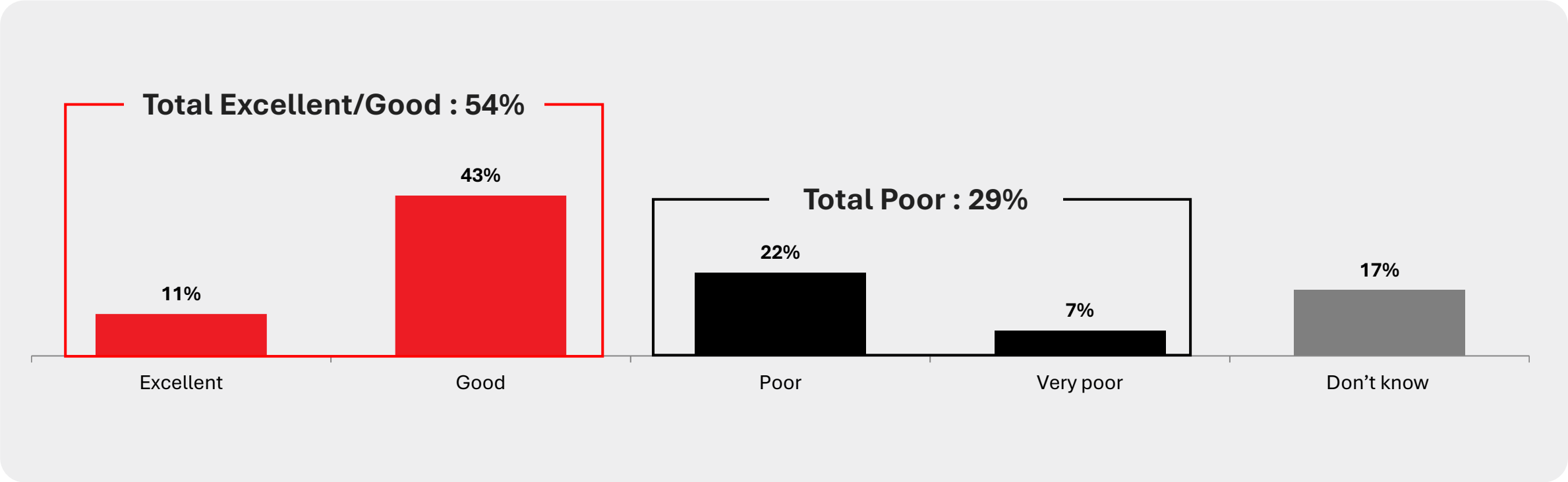
Base: All respondents (n=1,004)

	Total U.S.	North East	Mid West	South	West	18-34	35-54	55+	Male	Female	Republican	Democrat	Independent
<i>Weighted n=</i>	<b>1,004</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>378</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>332</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>524</b>	<b>301</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>300</b>
<i>Unweighted n=</i>	<b>1,004</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>363</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>563</b>	<b>518</b>	<b>486</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>299</b>
<b>TOTAL TRUST</b>	<b>42%</b>	41%	35%	46%	42%	42%	37%	46%	<b>49%</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>75%</b>	<b>24%</b>	37%
Completely trust	<b>15%</b>	13%	10%	17%	16%	18%	14%	13%	<b>19%</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>6%</b>
Somewhat trust	<b>27%</b>	28%	25%	29%	26%	24%	23%	<b>33%</b>	30%	25%	<b>43%</b>	<b>15%</b>	30%
<b>TOTAL DOES NOT TRUST</b>	<b>44%</b>	45%	47%	40%	44%	40%	48%	42%	41%	46%	<b>16%</b>	<b>67%</b>	47%
Do not trust much	<b>21%</b>	25%	20%	22%	20%	19%	23%	22%	21%	22%	<b>12%</b>	<b>28%</b>	24%
Do not trust at all	<b>22%</b>	21%	27%	18%	24%	22%	24%	20%	19%	25%	<b>4%</b>	<b>39%</b>	23%
Don't know	<b>15%</b>	13%	18%	14%	14%	18%	15%	12%	<b>11%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>10%</b>	16%

# Perceptions of the Overall U.S.–Canada Relationship (1/2)

**Q8.** Outside of the current trade dispute, how would you describe the overall relationship between the United States and Canada?

Base: All respondents (n=1,004)



## Perceptions of the Overall U.S.–Canada Relationship (2/2)

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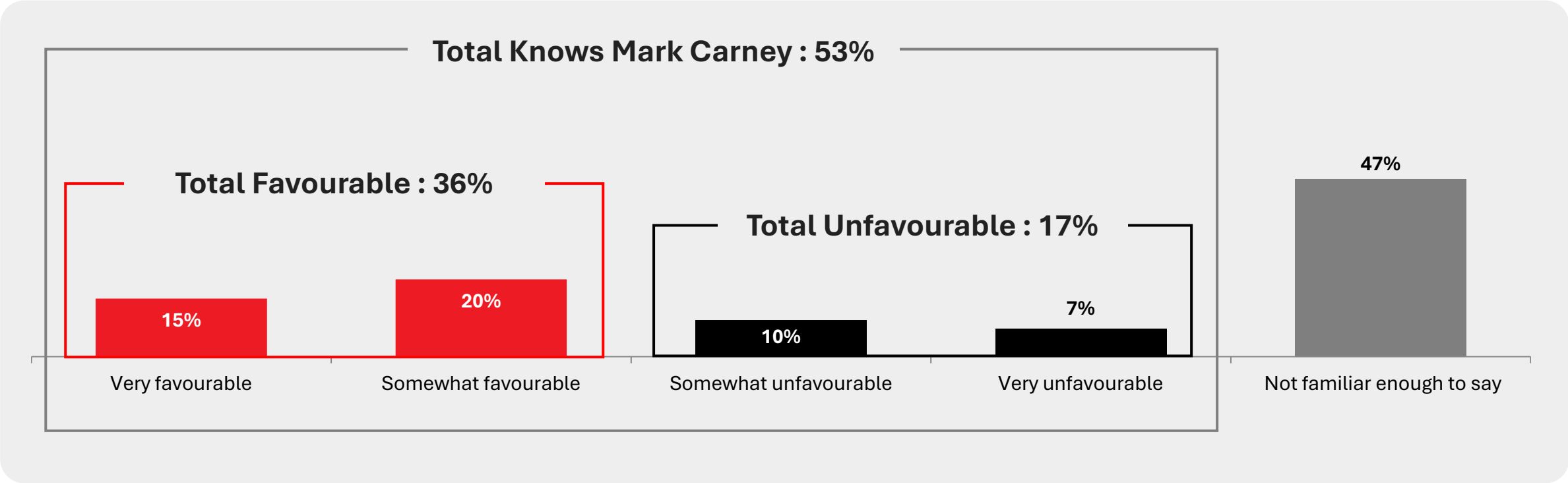
Base: All respondents (n=1,004)

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Unweighted n=	1,004	204	221	363	216	105	336	563	518	486	312	344	299
<b>TOTAL EXCELLENT/GOOD</b>	<b>54%</b>	61%	46%	54%	55%	53%	51%	56%	60%	47%	69%	51%	49%
Excellent	11%	15%	11%	9%	12%	17%	10%	8%	14%	8%	15%	12%	9%
Good	43%	45%	34%	45%	44%	35%	42%	48%	46%	39%	54%	40%	41%
<b>TOTAL POOR</b>	<b>29%</b>	23%	30%	28%	34%	30%	26%	31%	28%	30%	21%	33%	33%
Poor	22%	20%	23%	21%	25%	19%	22%	25%	22%	22%	19%	25%	24%
Very poor	7%	2%	7%	8%	9%	11%	4%	6%	6%	8%	2%	8%	9%
Don't know	17%	17%	25%	18%	11%	18%	23%	13%	12%	23%	9%	16%	18%

# Opinion of Mark Carney (1/2)

**Q9.** Do you have a favourable or unfavourable opinion of Mark Carney, currently serving as Prime Minister of Canada?

Base: All respondents (n=1,004)



## Opinion of Mark Carney (2/2)

**Q9.** Do you have a favourable or unfavourable opinion of Mark Carney, currently serving as Prime Minister of Canada?

Base: All respondents (n=1,004)

	Total U.S.	North East	Mid West	South	West	18-34	35-54	55+	Male	Female	Republican	Democrat	Independent
<i>Weighted n=</i>	<b>1,004</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>378</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>332</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>524</b>	<b>301</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>300</b>
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<b>TOTAL KNOWS MARK CARNEY</b>	<b>53%</b>	57%	47%	50%	60%	55%	50%	54%	<b>67%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>59%</b>	<b>64%</b>	<b>43%</b>
<b>TOTAL FAVOURABLE</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>46%</b>	30%	32%	41%	37%	38%	33%	<b>44%</b>	<b>28%</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>55%</b>	<b>28%</b>
Very favourable	<b>15%</b>	17%	14%	<b>10%</b>	<b>25%</b>	17%	13%	16%	<b>19%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>26%</b>	12%
Somewhat favourable	<b>20%</b>	<b>28%</b>	16%	22%	16%	20%	25%	18%	<b>25%</b>	<b>16%</b>	19%	<b>29%</b>	17%
<b>TOTAL UNFAVOURABLE</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>11%</b>	17%	18%	19%	18%	<b>12%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>9%</b>	15%
Somewhat unfavourable	<b>10%</b>	7%	10%	11%	10%	12%	7%	10%	<b>13%</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>5%</b>	8%
Very unfavourable	<b>7%</b>	<b>3%</b>	8%	8%	10%	6%	5%	<b>10%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>4%</b>	7%
Not familiar enough to say	<b>47%</b>	43%	53%	50%	40%	45%	50%	46%	<b>33%</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>57%</b>

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# Respondent Profile

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(Base n=1,004)

The following tables present the demographic distribution of respondents for the United States.

## Gender

	Unweighted	Weighted
Male	518	480
Female	486	524

## Region

	Unweighted	Weighted
Northeast	204	183
Midwest	221	216
South	363	378
West	216	228

## Age

	Unweighted	Weighted
Between 18 and 34	105	267
Between 35 and 54	336	332
55 and older	563	405

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