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45 POLLS SHOWING TARIFFS ARE WILDLY UNPOPULAR

Ahead of the 2026 midterms, the polling across the nation is unmistakably clear: tariffs are deeply unpopular across party lines, demographics, and geography.

The Polls All Tell the Same Story - Here are 45 since New Tariffs Were Imposed

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Voters Overwhelmingly Dislike Tariffs

Quinnipiac UNIVERSITY

72% of voters think tariffs will **harm the U.S. economy** in the short term

Ipsos

75% of Americans say that **tariffs will raise prices on goods they buy**

FT FINANCIAL TIMES

only **one in four voters approve** of the president's tariffs

Pew Research Center

6 in 10 Americans disapprove of the Trump administration's increased tariffs

POLITICO

Only **22%** of Trump Voters said tariffs are helping the U.S economy both now and in the long term

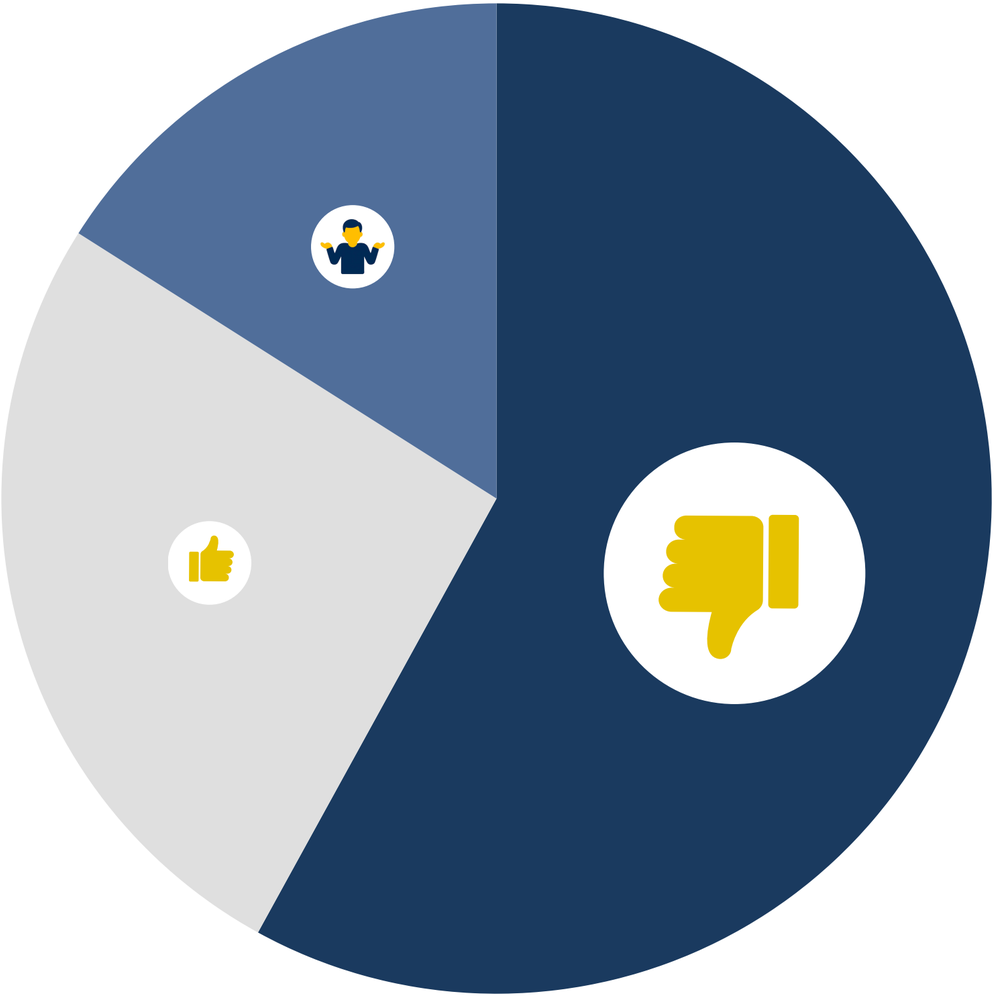
FOX NEWS POLL

Only 37% of voters approve of President Trump's tariffs

YouGov®

58%

of Americans **oppose** raising tariffs on Canada

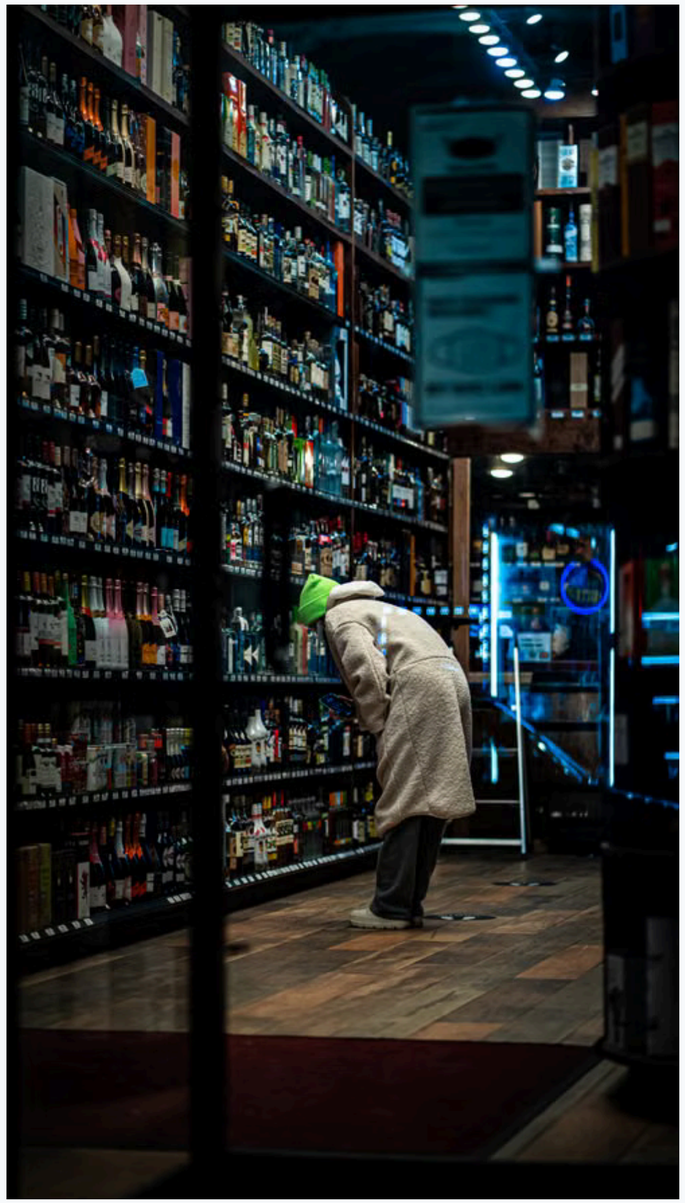


YouGov, August 2026

HARVARD CAPS HARRIS POLL

62% of Americans

think that the Section 338 tariffs on $28 billion of Canadian goods will raise prices



Harvard Caps Harris, August 2026

ONLY 20%

of Americans support the U.S. placing additional tariffs on Canada

Ipsos, August 2026

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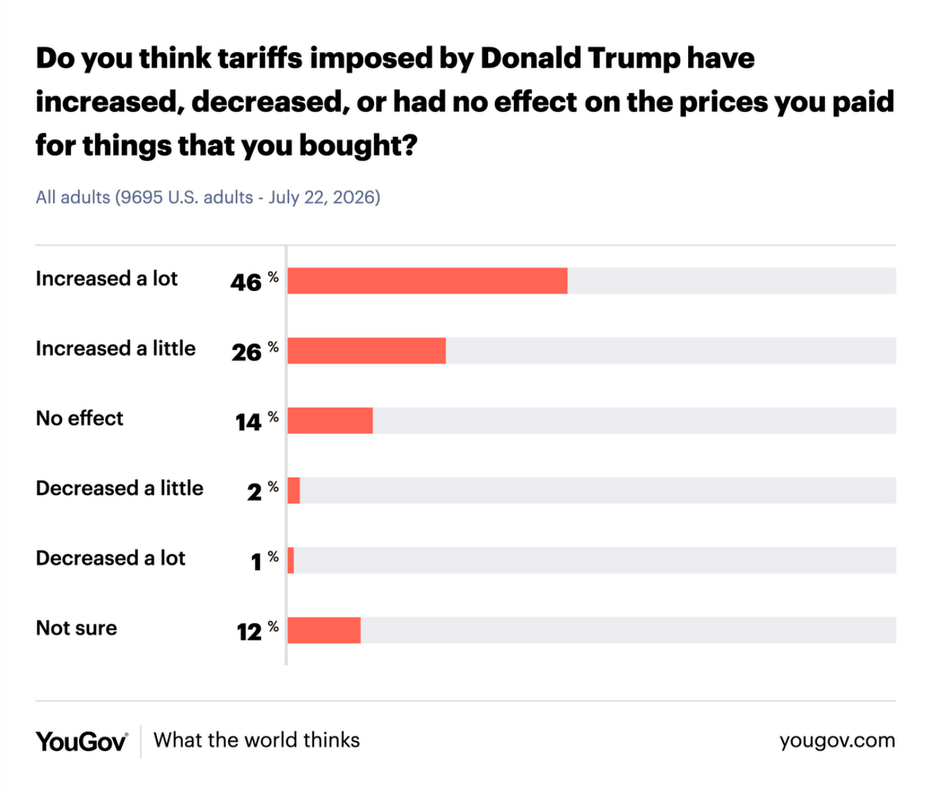
OVER 70%

believe that President Trump’s tariffs have raised prices for the things they buy



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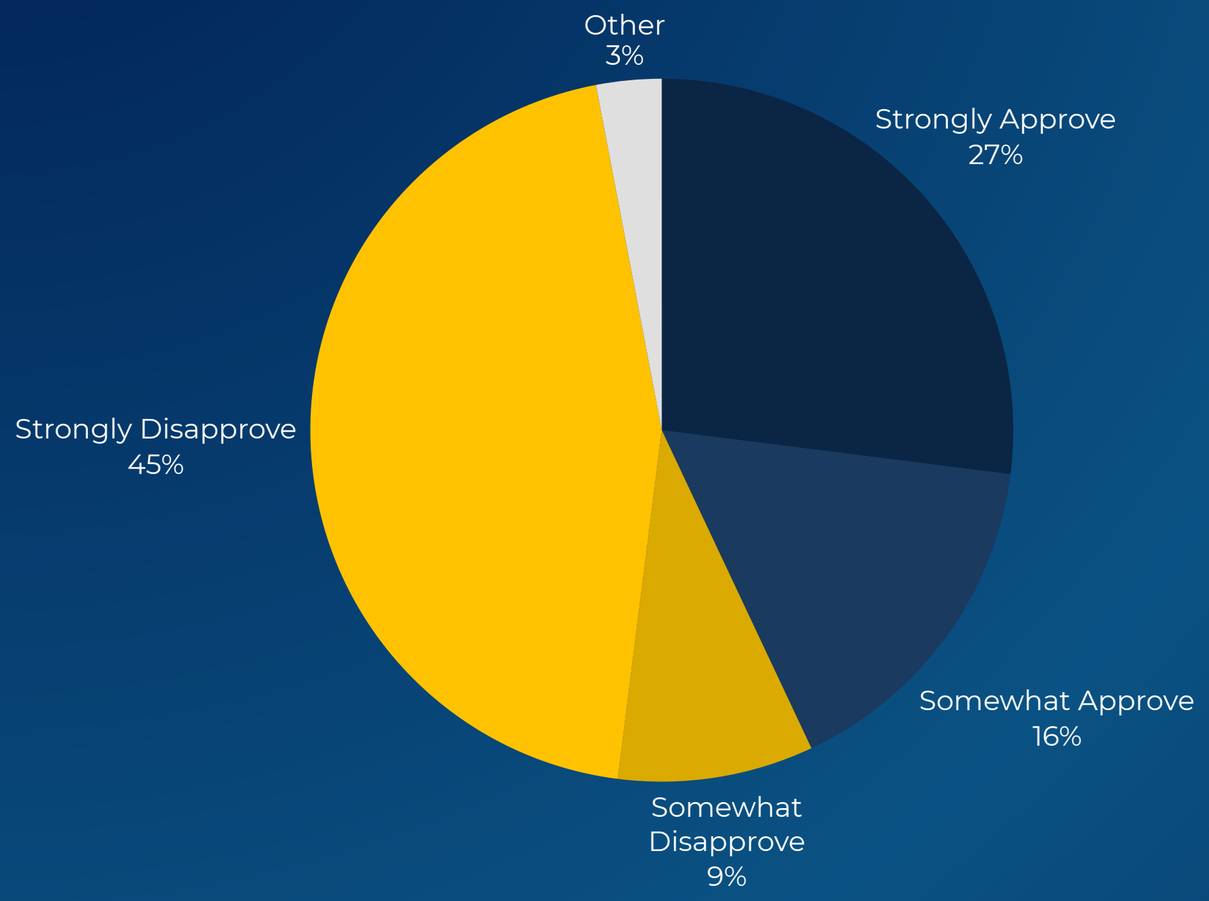

The New York Times

45%

of voters in battleground Senate races strongly disapprove of tariffs

NYT/Siena, July 2026

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HARVARD CAPS HARRIS POLL

61%

of Americans disapprove of a universal 15% tariff

Harvard CAPS Harris, July 2026

MORE THAN 3X

YouGov®

as many Americans want tariffs reduced as increased

***The Economist*/YouGov Poll**
July 10 - 13, 2026 - 1616 U.S. Adult citizens

YouGov®

7. Do you think that tariffs on foreign goods imported into the U.S. should be increased or decreased?

Increased	14%
Kept the same	23%
Decreased	46%
Not sure	16%

YouGov, July 2026

ONLY 32%

of registered voters approve of President Trump’s tariffs policies

Marquette University, June 2026

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HARVARD CAPS HARRIS POLL

63%

of registered voters disapprove of President Trump's handling of tariffs

Harvard CAPS Harris, May 2026

FT FINANCIAL TIMES

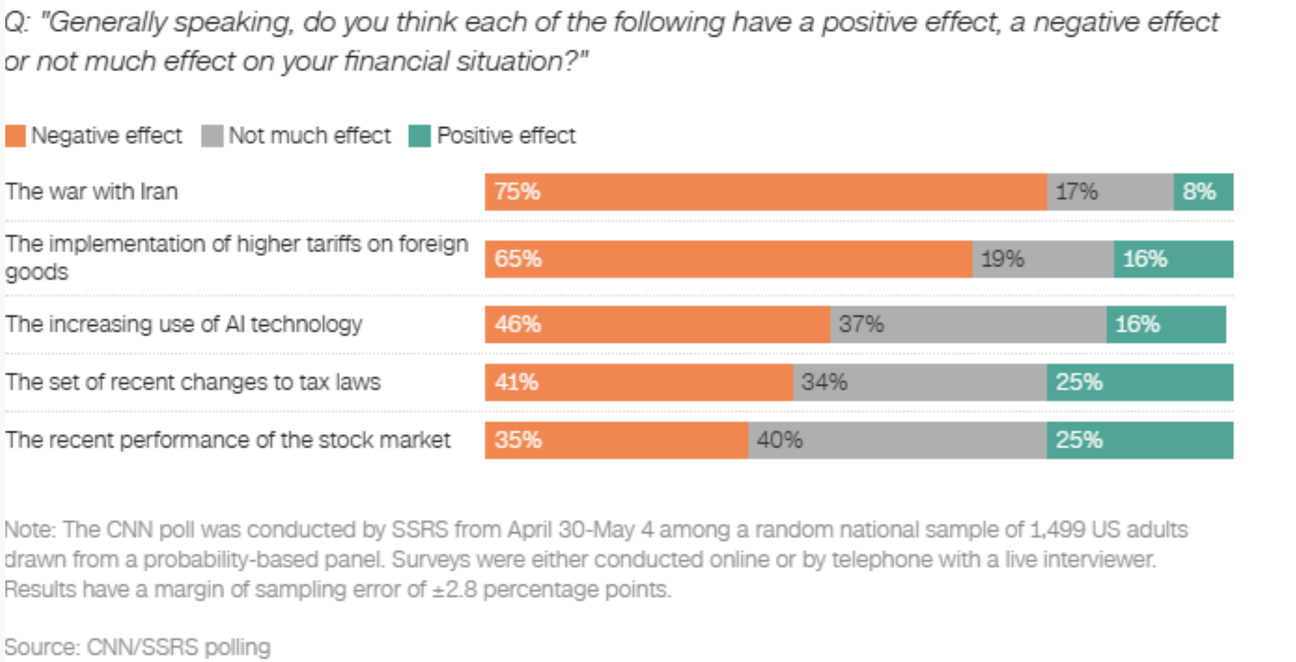
ONLY ONE IN FOUR

voters said that the president's trade policies have helped the economy.

Financial Times, May 2026

65%

of U.S. adults thing that tariffs have a negative effect on their financial system



CNN/SSRS, May 2026

Forbes harrisX
A STAGWELL COMPANY

57%

of U.S. adults disapprove of the president's tariffs and trade policy

Forbes/HarrisX, May 2026

Quinnipiac UNIVERSITY

72%

of voters think that tariffs will hurt the U.S. economy in the short term

Quinnipiac University, April 2026

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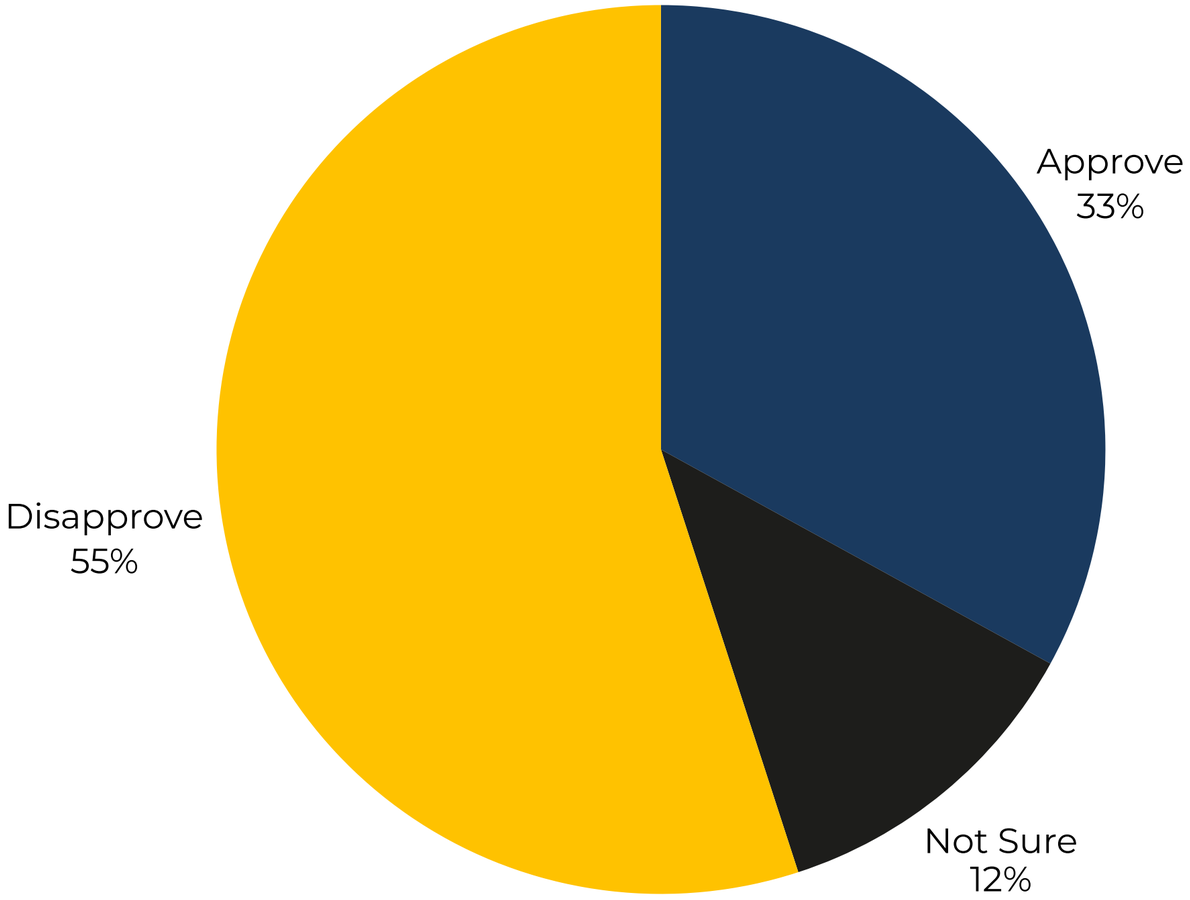
of adults **disapprove** of the way President Trump is handling tariffs



YouGov, March 2026

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64%

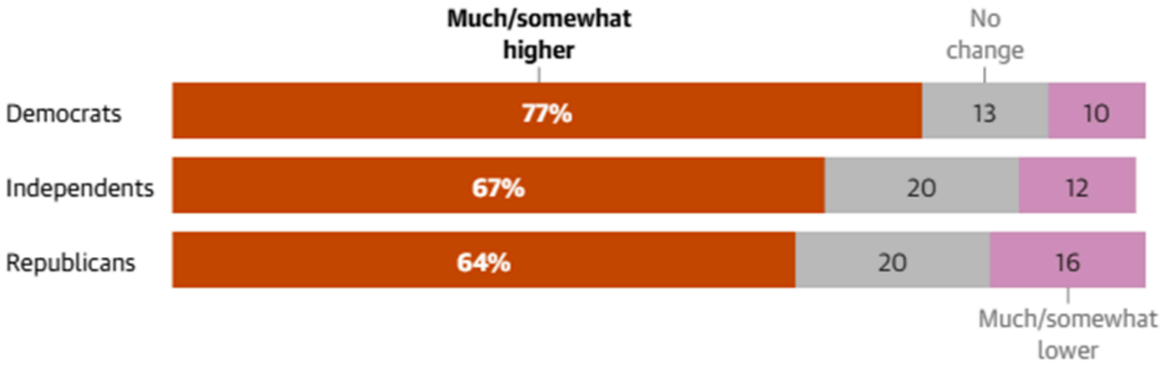
of Republicans believe that Trump's tariffs have led to higher prices

77% of Democrats and 67% of Independent Voters Agree

The Harris Poll

Across partisan lines, Americans believe tariffs have raised prices

How do you think tariffs on imports have changed overall prices on the goods you've paid for in the US?

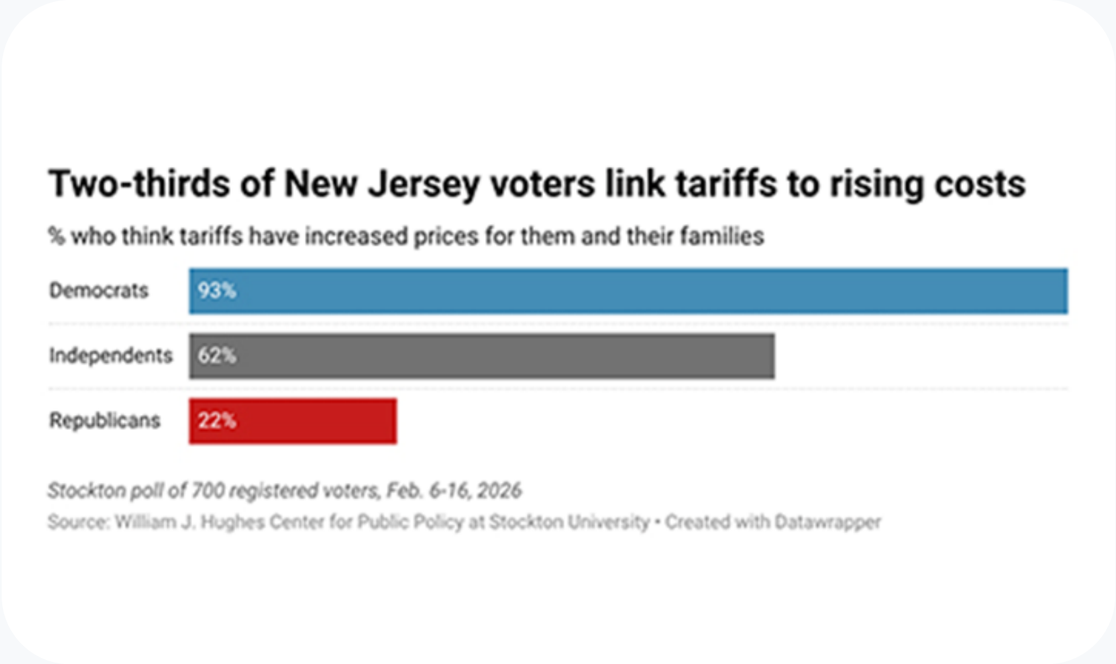


Guardian graphic. Source: The Harris Poll. Note: Survey of 2,138 US adults conducted 26 to 28 February 2026. ±2.6% margin of error. Shares may not add to 100% due to rounding.

The Harris Poll, March 2026

TWO THIRDS

of New Jersey voters think that tariffs implemented by the Trump Administration have led to higher prices for them and their families



Stockton University, February 2026

YouGov®

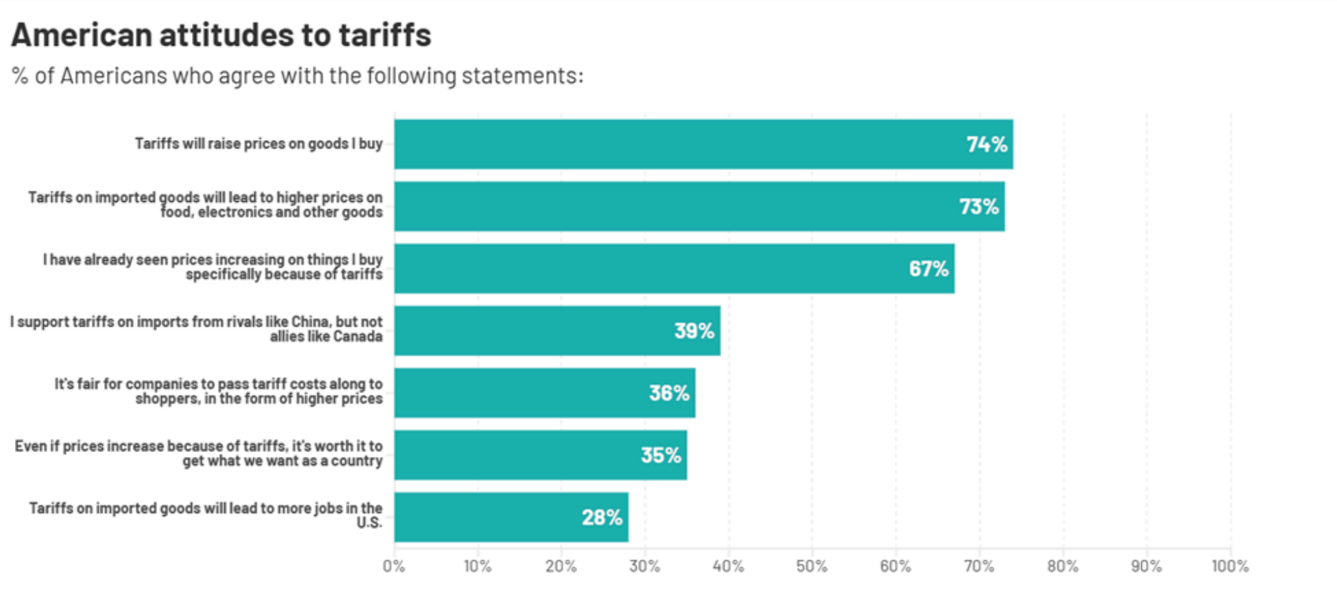
60%

of Americans approve of the U.S. Supreme Court striking down most of the tariffs imposed by President Trump

YouGov, February 2026

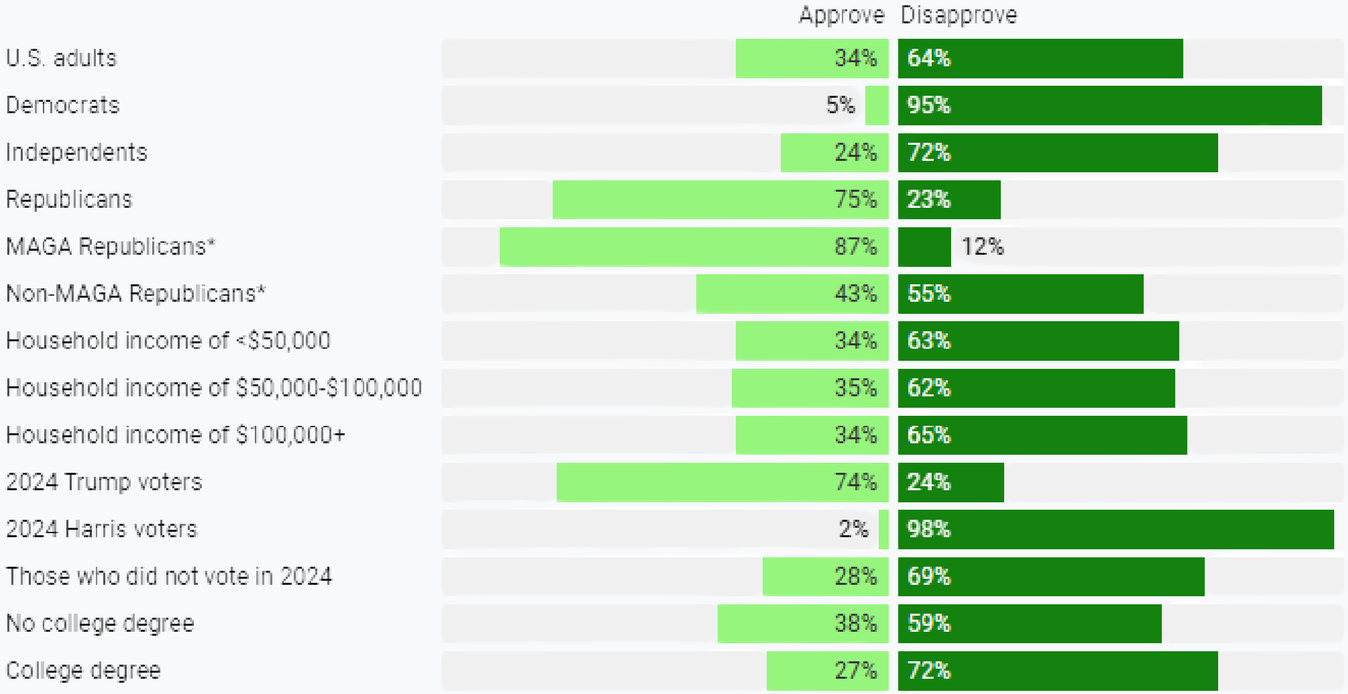
75%

of Americans say that tariffs will **raise prices on goods they buy**



IPSOS, February 2026

Q: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Trump is handling each of the following? Tariffs on imported goods



**MAGA and non-MAGA Republicans include both Republicans and Republican-leaning independents.*
Note: Skipped not shown.

Source: Feb. 12-17, 2026, ABC News/Washington Post/Ipsos poll of 2,589 U.S. adults with a margin of error of +/- 2 percentage points. Error margins are larger among subgroups.

abc NEWS

64%

of Americans disapprove of how Trump is handling tariffs

ABC News/IPSOS, February 2026

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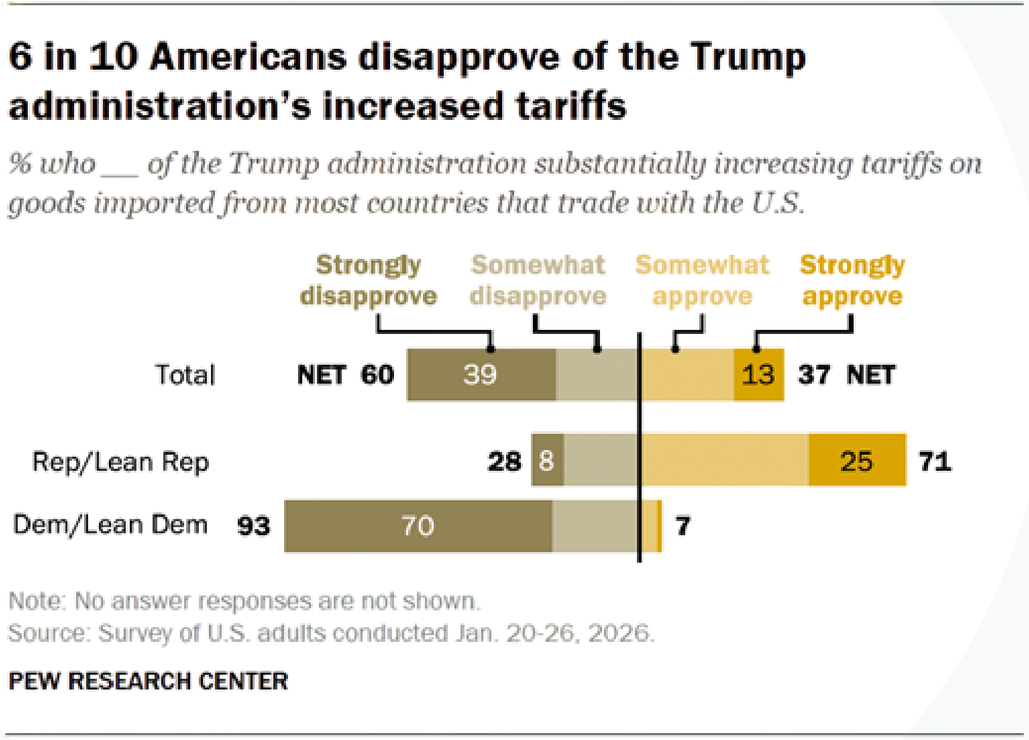

Pew Research Center

6 IN 10

Americans disapprove of the Trump administration's increased tariffs.

Moreover, roughly half of Americans say the effects of the administration's use of tariffs will be mostly negative for the country and for their families over the coming years, while much smaller shares say the effects on both will be either positive or neutral

Pew Research Center, February 2026

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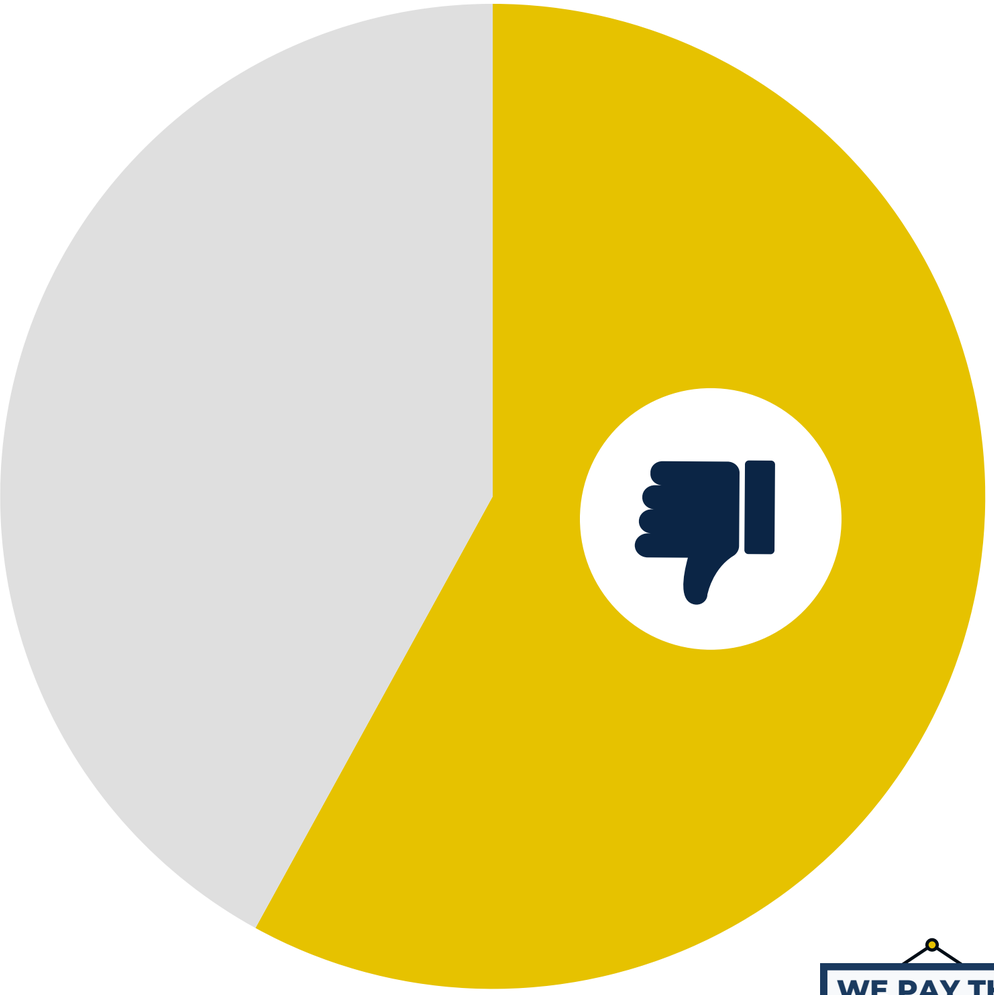
58%

of registered voters said that placing tariffs or fees on products imported from other countries hurts the U.S. economy

Disapproval is growing: *While in March 2025 only 48% of adults thought that placing tariffs or fees on products imported from other countries hurts the U.S. economies, as of February 2026, 56% think it does*

Moreover, 54% of adults think that lowering proces should be the Trump administration's top priority

NPR/PBS/Marist, February 2026



The Economist

51% of Americans say that tariffs should decrease,

including 59% of 18-29 year-olds and 26% of self-identified conservatives

As disapproval for tariffs rises, Americans are feeling economic strain: **72% of Americans said the economy was fair/poor**, while **78% said that the price of food has gone up in the past year**

The Economist/YouGov Poll, February 2026

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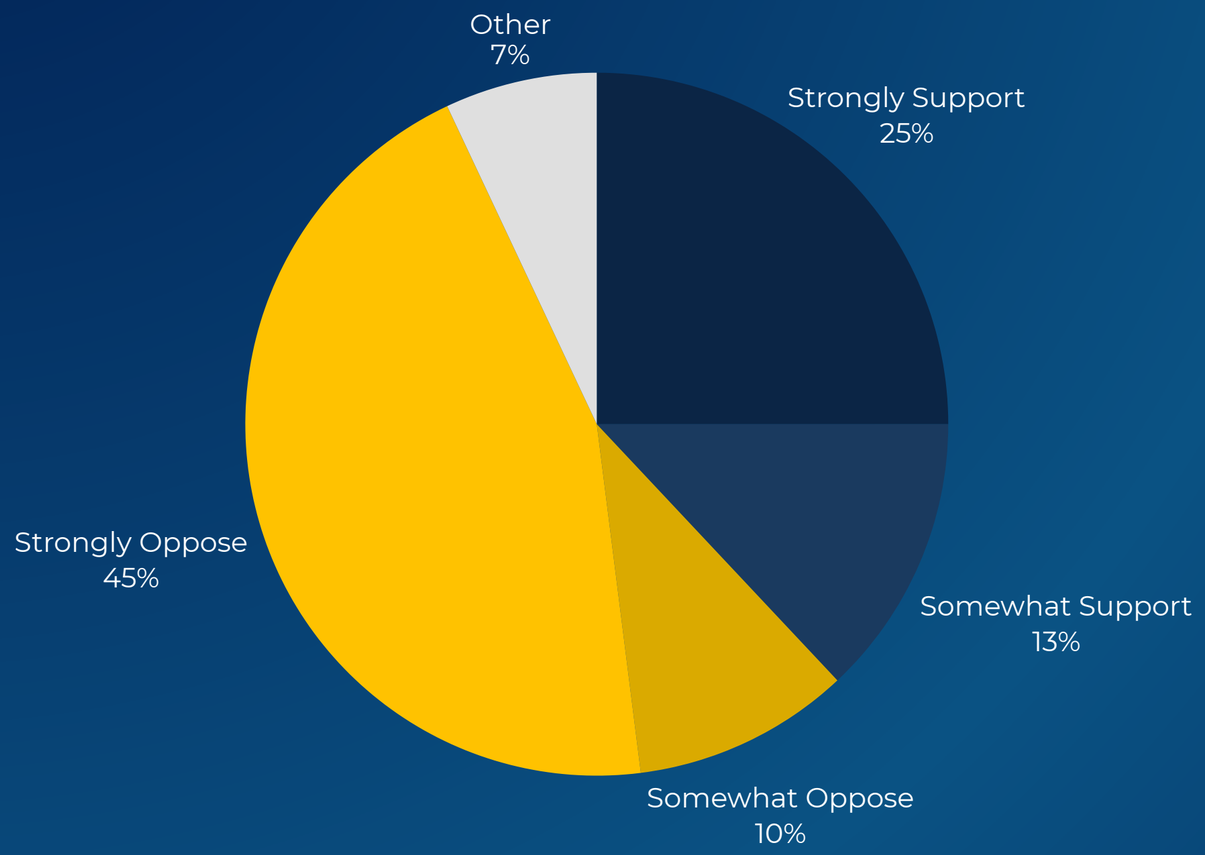
of voters approve of President Trump's tariffs

Fox News, February 2026

The New York Times



55%

Of Americans oppose tariffs imposed by President Trump

NYT/Siena, February 2026

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58%

of U.S. adults think that Donald Trump has **gone too far** imposing new tariffs on other countries

AP News / NORC, January 2026

62%

of U.S. adults disapprove of the President’s handling of tariffs

CNN/SSRS, January 2026

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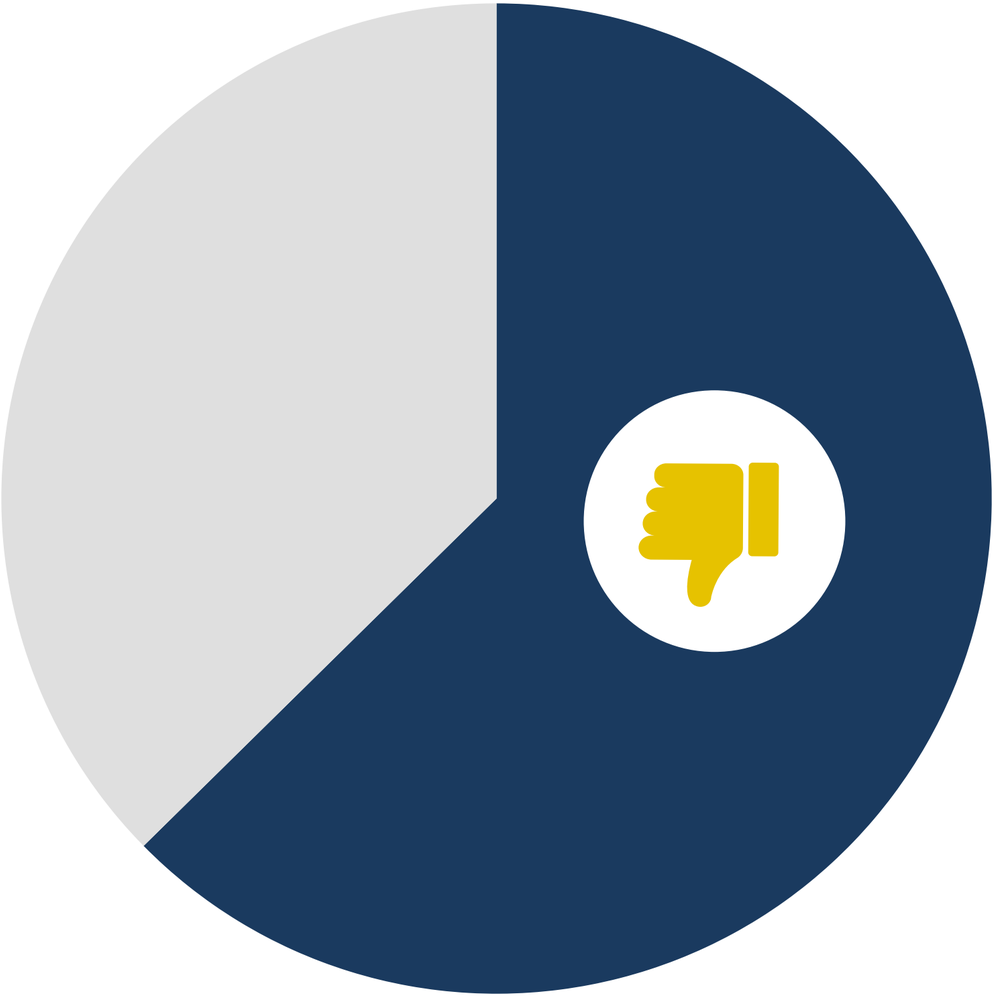

Marquette Law, January 2026

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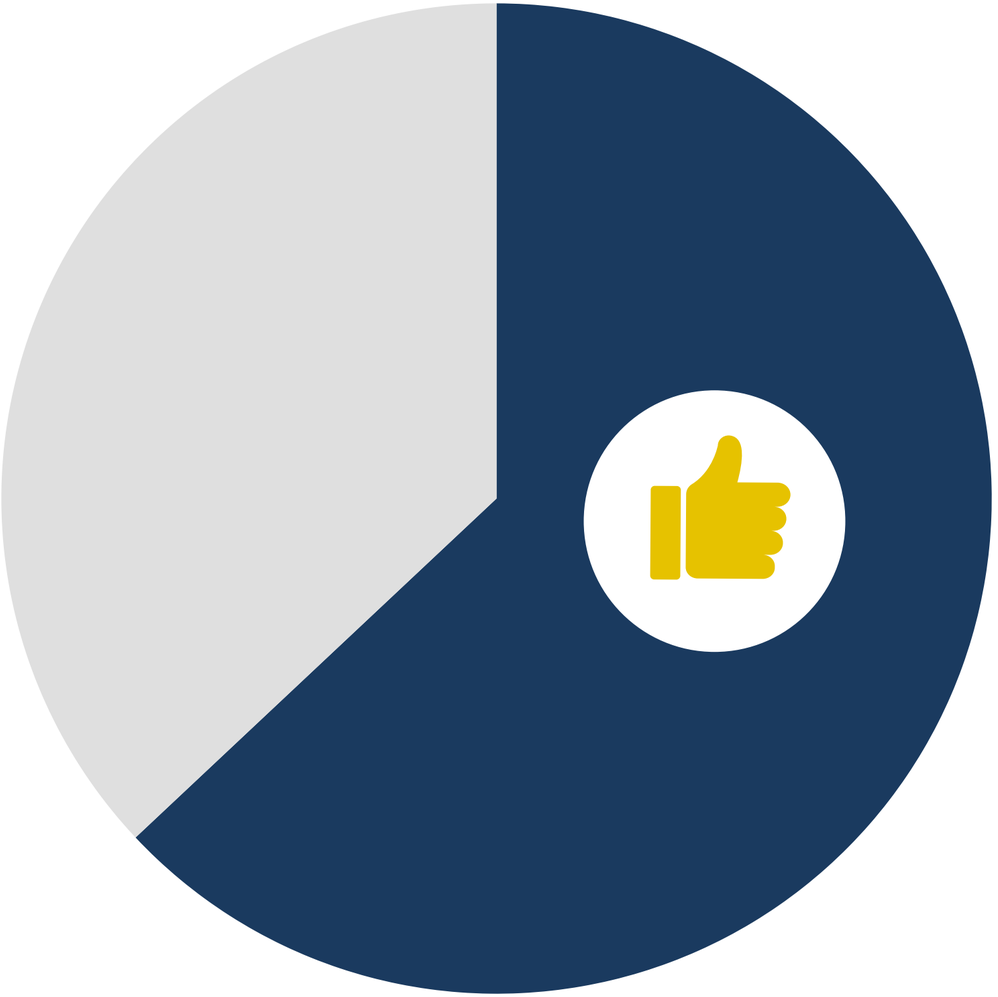
63%

of adults said the **Supreme Court should rule against President Trump** in *Learning Resources v. Trump* in January, 2026



Marquette Law, January 2026

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HARVARD CAPS HARRIS POLL

51% OF VOTERS

oppose placing tariffs on good from China, Mexico, and Canada to encourage U.S. manufacturing

Harvard Caps Harris, January 2026

POLITICO

"Trump has struggled to persuade even parts of his base to accept the idea that tariffs will pay off over time. A minority — 36 percent — of Trump voters said tariffs are hurting the economy now but will benefit the U.S. over time. Even fewer said the strategy is already working:

22% OF TRUMP VOTERS

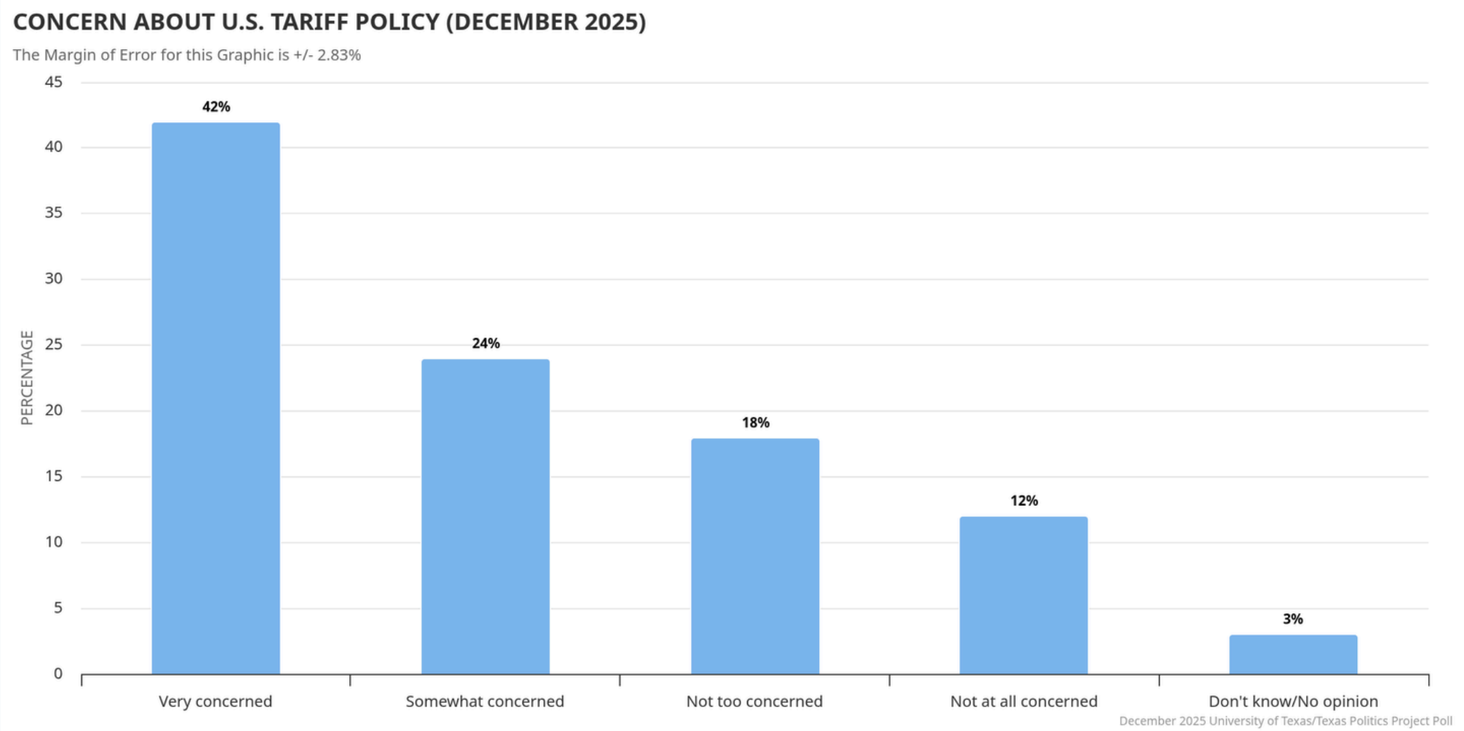
said **tariffs are hurting the economy** now but will benefit the U.S. over time."

POLITICO, December 2025

THE TEXAS POLITICS PROJECT

68% of Texas voters

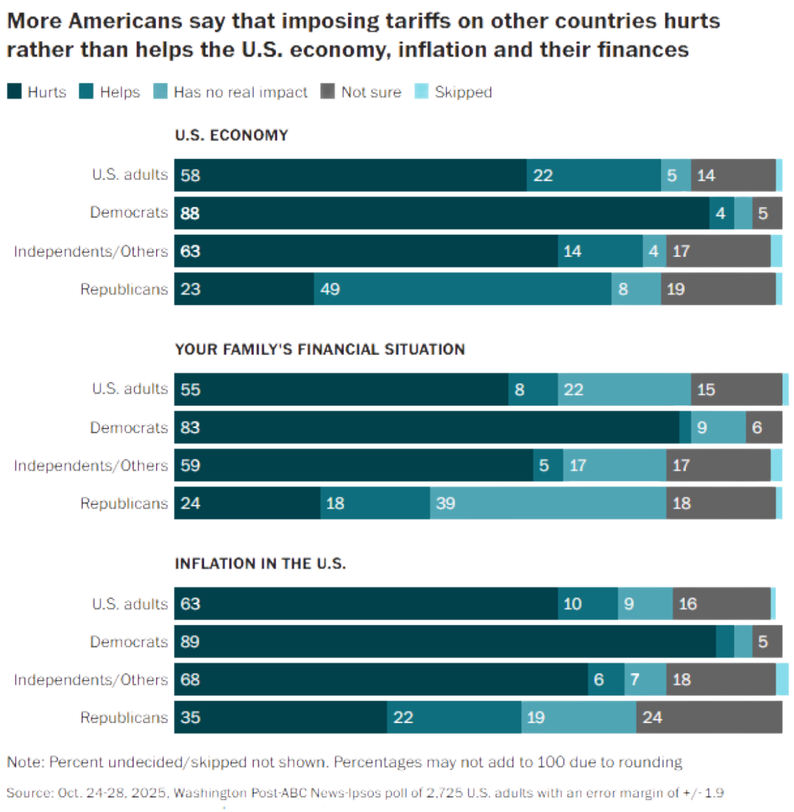
are very or somewhat concerned about U.S. tariff policy



Texas Politics Project, December 2025

The Washington Post

6 IN 10 AMERICANS said that **tariffs contribute to inflation** and harm the U.S. economy



The Washington Post, November 2025

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NBC NEWS

TWO THIRDS

of registered voters say that **the Trump administration has fallen short on the economy** and cost of living”

NBC News, November 2025

SMALL BUSINESS MAJORITY

NEARLY HALF

of small business owners have **increased the price of certain materials** or products due to tariffs

Small Business Majority, November 2025

DetroitRegionalChamber

FALL 2025

MICHIGAN VOTER POLL

71.5% OF MICHIGAN VOTERS

say they're **paying more for goods due to tariffs**, with **28.1%** saying they've postponed major expenditures for items such as vehicles, house upgrades or vacations because of tariff-related price hikes.

Detroit Regional Chamber, October 2025

BGSU®

60%

of Ohio Voters oppose Trump's tariff policies

Bowling Green State University, October 2025

NRF® NATIONAL RETAIL FEDERATION®

56% OF VOTERS

believe the 2025 tariffs will **negatively impact** small businesses

Morning Consult/NRF, May 2025

NOBLE
PREDICTIVE INSIGHTS

51% OF ARIZONA VOTERS

said that tariffs hurt the economy

Noble Predictive Insights, May 2025

MEREDITH POLL

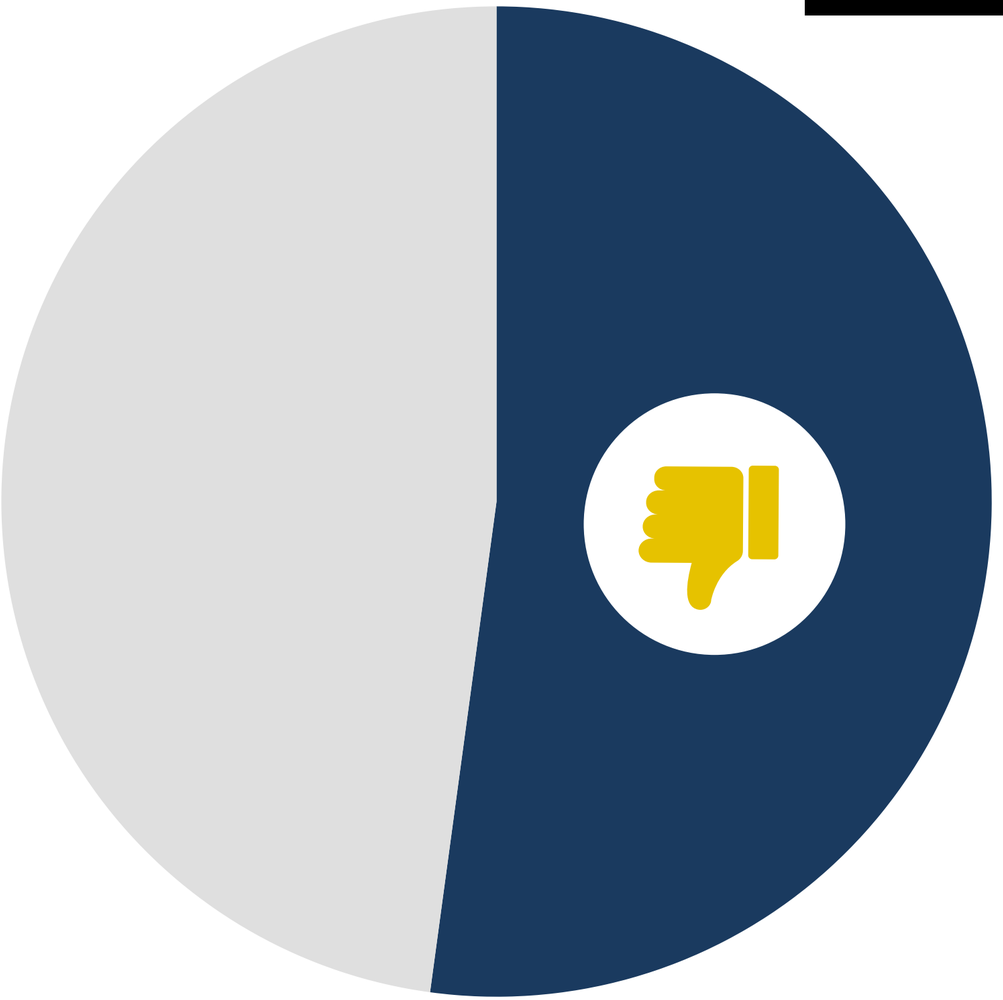
53% OF NORTH CAROLINA VOTERS

have real doubts that tariffs will have a positive effect on the economy

Meredith College Poll, April 2025

52.3%

of Georgia voters oppose tariffs being placed on foreign goods



AJC, April 2025

THREE IN FOUR

Americans say new tariffs should be targeted at countries taking advantage of the system, not at everyone, including majorities of **Republicans (82%)**, **Democrats (76%)**, and **independents (77%)**

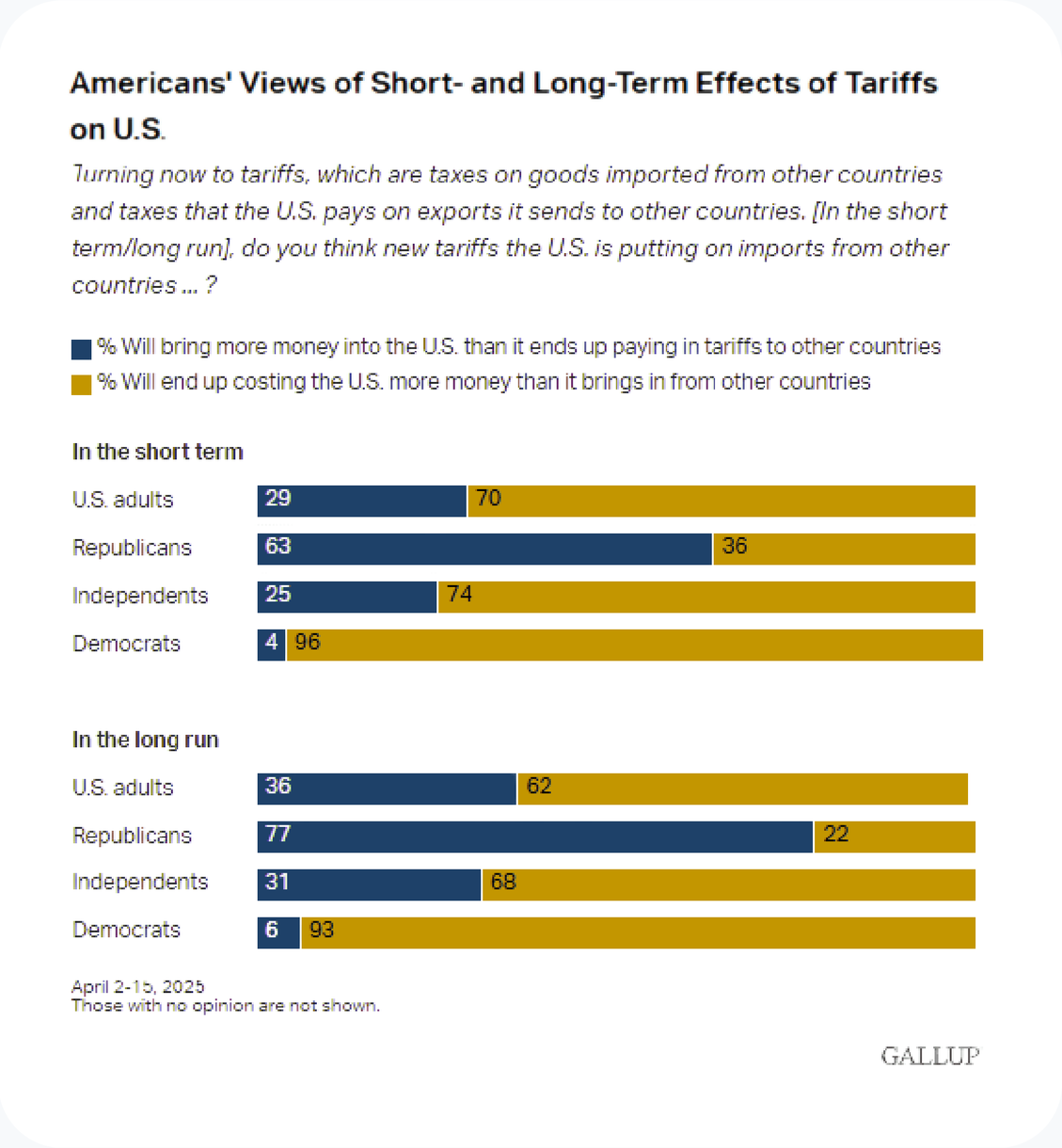
IPSOS, April 2025

GALLUP®

89% of Adults

think that tariffs are likely to result in higher prices. 31% said they would not accept any economic disruption at all from tariffs

Gallup, April 2025



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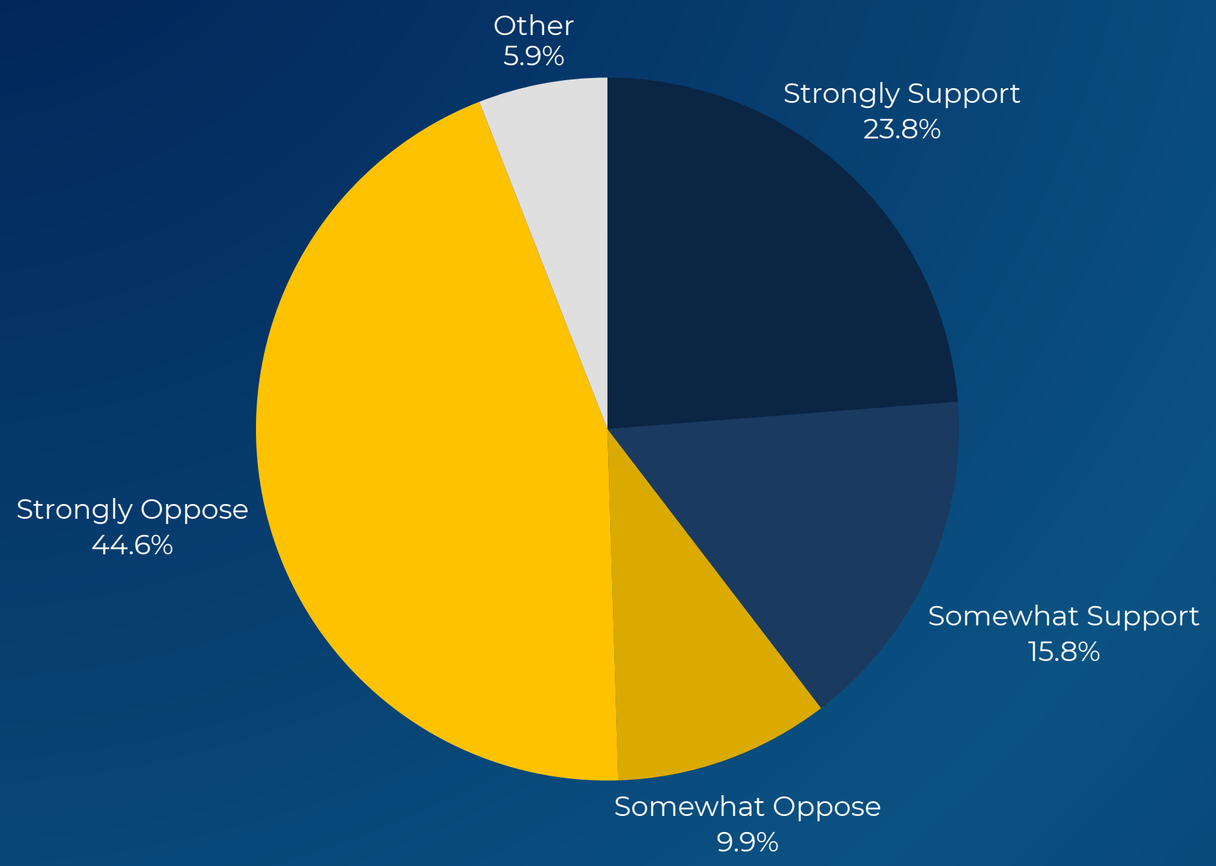

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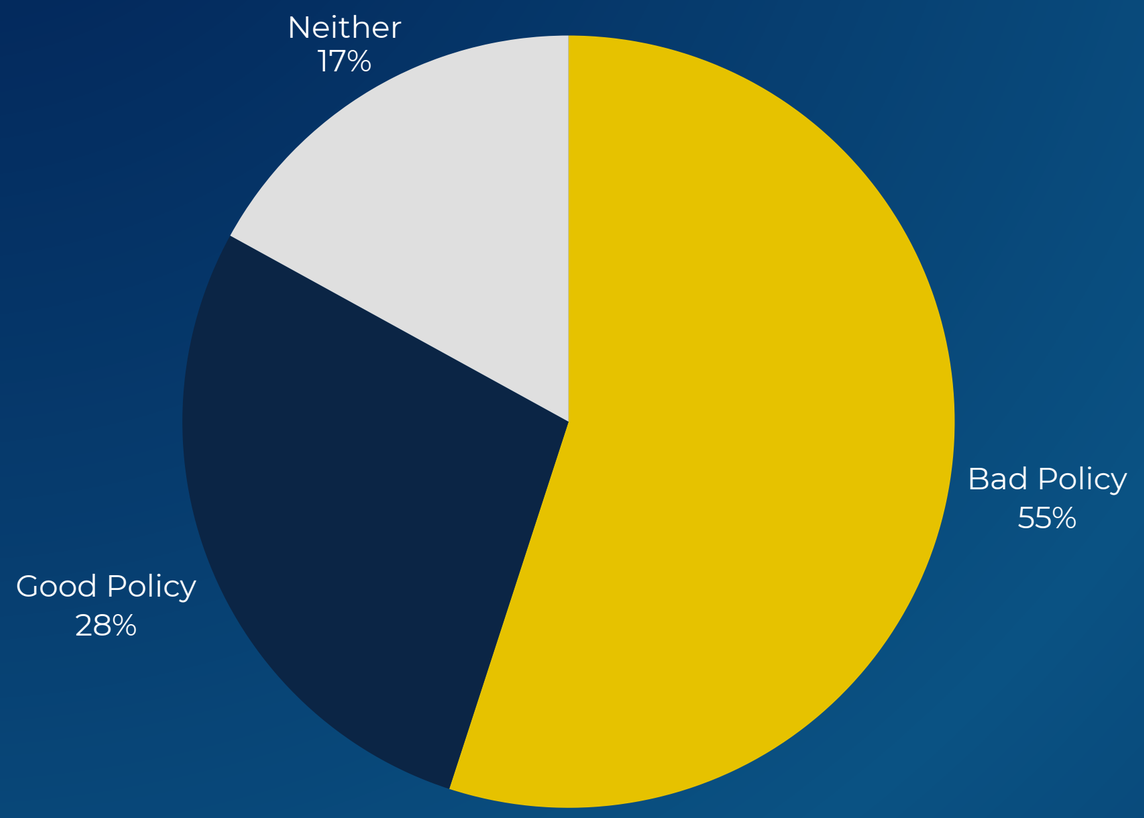

CNN

55%

of Americans said that the President's actions on tariffs have been a **bad policy**

CNN/SSRS, April 2025

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ELON UNIVERSITY

50% of Americans

anticipated that tariffs would have negative consequences for small businesses in February 2025

Elon University, February 2025