

# DATA FOR **PROGRESS**

From April 5 to 6, 2024, Data for Progress conducted a survey of 1,218 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 voting history. The survey was conducted in English. The margin of error is  $\pm 3$  percentage points.

NB: subgroups with a n-size less than 50 (<50) are not shown on these cross-tabs. We choose not to display N<50 subgroups because the sample is too small to have statistical significance. We did, however, take samples of these subgroups for representational and weighting purposes to accurately reflect the electorate makeup. Some values may not add up to 100 due to rounding.

N=1,218 unless otherwise specified.

**[1]** Asylum is a form of legal immigration that protects people who have faced persecution or harm in their home country on account of race, religion, nationality, or political affiliation.

When thinking about migrants seeking asylum at the U.S.-Mexico border, which of the following approaches do you prefer lawmakers take, 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	Swing state voter
Lawmakers should take a humane approach, maintaining migrants' basic needs and civil rights until courts can make asylum decisions.	59	78	57	40	62	55	60	58	56	64	63	58	59	52
Lawmakers should take a punitive approach, using force or detention as consequences for migrants seeking asylum at the border.	34	16	33	53	30	39	31	35	36	30	23	36	33	38
Don't know	8	6	11	7	9	6	9	7	9	6	15	6	8	10
Weighted N	1,218	454	326	438	650	568	391	827	786	432	132	868	157	276

**[2]** Imagine a candidate for office **supports a humane approach** to migrants seeking asylum at the U.S.-Mexico border, maintaining migrants' basic needs and civil rights until courts can make asylum decisions.

Would you be more or less likely to vote for them in the November 2024 general election? (N=624)

(Split Group A)

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino	Swing state voter
Much more likely	24	44	17	8	23	25	25	24	19	33	24	22	27	21
Somewhat more likely	28	30	29	23	29	26	35	24	28	28	36	27	27	21
Somewhat less likely	10	7	9	16	11	10	10	11	10	10	10	9	11	12
Much less likely	16	4	19	27	13	19	8	19	17	13	7	19	10	23
Wouldn't affect my decision	22	16	26	27	24	21	22	22	26	16	23	22	24	24
<b>MORE LIKELY (TOTAL)</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>42</b>
<b>LESS LIKELY (TOTAL)</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>35</b>
<b>MORE LIKELY (NET)</b>	<b>+26</b>	<b>+63</b>	<b>+18</b>	<b>-12</b>	<b>+28</b>	<b>+22</b>	<b>+42</b>	<b>+18</b>	<b>+20</b>	<b>+38</b>	<b>+43</b>	<b>+21</b>	<b>+33</b>	<b>+7</b>
Weighted N	624	233	180	211	333	291	197	427	402	222	68	444	80	142

**[3]** Imagine a candidate for office **supports a punitive approach** to migrants seeking asylum at the U.S.-Mexico border, using force or detention as consequences for migrants seeking asylum at the border.

Would you be more or less likely to vote for them in the November 2024 general election? (N=594)

(Split Group B)

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino	Swing state voter
Much more likely	22	14	17	34	20	25	19	24	22	23	24	22	18	19
Somewhat more likely	16	13	14	20	12	19	22	13	18	11	14	14	25	13
Somewhat less likely	15	18	12	14	17	12	17	14	13	19	14	16	10	15
Much less likely	25	39	28	8	25	26	19	28	23	28	24	25	26	23
Wouldn't affect my decision	22	16	29	24	26	18	23	22	24	19	24	23	20	30
<b>MORE LIKELY (TOTAL)</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>32</b>
<b>LESS LIKELY (TOTAL)</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>38</b>
<b>MORE LIKELY (NET)</b>	<b>-2</b>	<b>-30</b>	<b>-9</b>	<b>+32</b>	<b>-10</b>	<b>+6</b>	<b>+5</b>	<b>-5</b>	<b>+4</b>	<b>-13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-5</b>	<b>+7</b>	<b>-6</b>
Weighted N	594	221	149	224	316	278	193	401	384	210	65	423	75	139

**[4]** Asylum is a form of legal immigration that protects people who have faced persecution or harm in their home country on account of race, religion, nationality, or political affiliation.

Where do you think migrants seeking asylum at the U.S.-Mexico border should wait for their court date?

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino	Swing state voter
In U.S. communities, in shelters or with sponsors	40	59	38	22	42	37	47	37	36	46	43	37	50	37
In U.S. communities, with ankle monitors	7	9	5	7	6	8	10	5	7	7	9	6	10	6
Held in prisons or detention centers	19	7	19	32	17	21	16	20	21	14	14	22	15	19
None of the above	24	15	27	33	21	28	17	28	24	25	18	26	17	28
Don't know	10	11	12	8	13	6	9	10	11	8	16	9	8	10
Weighted N	1,218	454	326	438	650	568	391	827	786	432	132	868	157	276

**[5]** Migrants seeking asylum at the U.S.-Mexico border who are waiting for their court date are frequently held in privately-owned for-profit prisons that have contracts with the federal government.

Do you approve or disapprove of the **use of private prisons to hold migrants** seeking asylum who are waiting for their court date?

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino	Swing state voter
Strongly approve	13	8	9	20	9	16	17	10	14	11	13	14	12	13
Somewhat approve	25	17	24	33	25	25	21	27	28	19	19	27	22	24
Somewhat disapprove	23	25	26	20	23	24	23	23	23	23	20	23	25	22
Strongly disapprove	30	42	30	19	32	29	28	32	26	39	33	29	29	31
Don't know	9	8	11	8	11	6	10	8	9	8	15	7	12	10
APPROVE (TOTAL)	38	25	33	53	34	41	38	37	42	30	32	41	34	37
DISAPPROVE (TOTAL)	53	67	56	39	55	53	51	55	49	62	53	52	54	53
APPROVE (NET)	-15	-42	-23	+14	-21	-12	-13	-18	-7	-32	-21	-11	-20	-16
Weighted N	1,218	454	326	438	650	568	391	827	786	432	132	868	157	276

**[6]** Migrants seeking asylum at the U.S.-Mexico border who are waiting for their court date are frequently held in privately-owned for-profit prisons that have contracts with the federal government.

Supporters of using private prisons say the government is at capacity with the amount of migrants it is able to accommodate and needs support from the private sector to be able to ensure these individuals do not flee to avoid the legal immigration process.

Opponents of using private prisons say the owners of such facilities only care about exploiting detained migrants for nearly free labor, while providing extremely poor and unsafe living conditions to maximize profits, even if these individuals haven't broken any laws.

Knowing what you know now, do you approve or disapprove of the **use of private prisons to hold migrants** seeking asylum who are waiting for their court date?

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino	Swing state voter
Strongly approve	11	6	8	19	8	15	14	10	12	9	9	13	8	11
Somewhat approve	22	14	22	31	20	25	21	23	23	21	16	23	24	19
Somewhat disapprove	23	25	23	21	23	23	22	23	24	22	21	24	20	23
Strongly disapprove	33	46	34	18	35	31	31	34	29	40	39	31	35	34
Don't know	11	8	13	11	14	7	11	10	12	8	15	9	13	13
APPROVE (TOTAL)	33	20	30	50	28	40	35	33	35	30	25	36	32	30
DISAPPROVE (TOTAL)	56	71	57	39	58	54	53	57	53	62	60	55	55	57
APPROVE (NET)	-23	-51	-27	+11	-30	-14	-18	-24	-18	-32	-35	-19	-23	-27
Weighted N	1,218	454	326	438	650	568	391	827	786	432	132	868	157	276

**[7]** When thinking about harsh border enforcement tactics (such as family separation, indefinite detention, and removals from the country without due process), how effective or ineffective do you think they are in **preventing new migrants** from coming to seek asylum at the U.S.-Mexico border?

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino	Swing state voter
Very effective	10	5	6	18	8	12	12	9	11	9	8	10	15	9
Somewhat effective	22	19	24	25	19	26	29	19	24	20	22	22	28	22
Somewhat ineffective	23	25	24	21	25	22	21	25	22	26	23	24	17	23
Very ineffective	35	41	33	30	36	33	27	38	33	38	30	36	32	35
Don't know	10	10	13	7	12	7	11	9	11	7	16	8	8	11
EFFECTIVE (TOTAL)	32	24	30	43	27	38	41	28	35	29	30	32	43	31
INEFFECTIVE (TOTAL)	58	66	57	51	61	55	48	63	55	64	53	60	49	58
EFFECTIVE (NET)	-26	-42	-27	-8	-34	-17	-7	-35	-20	-35	-23	-28	-6	-27
Weighted N	1,218	454	326	438	650	568	391	827	786	432	132	868	157	276