

DATA FOR PROGRESS

From February 21 to 22, 2025, Data for Progress conducted a survey of 1,206 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.

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=1,206 unless otherwise specified.

[1] Overall, how concerned are you about aviation safety in the United States right now?

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino	Flies at least once a month	Flies at least once a year	Flies less than once a year or never
Very concerned	37	42	35	32	40	33	41	34	35	40	56	33	39	57	35	36
Somewhat concerned	38	39	35	39	40	35	37	38	39	36	20	41	36	25	36	40
Only a little concerned	16	13	20	17	14	18	15	17	16	15	16	16	16	8	20	14
Not at all concerned	10	6	10	13	6	14	7	11	10	9	9	11	9	10	9	10
CONCERNED (TOTAL)	75	81	70	71	80	68	78	72	74	76	76	74	75	82	71	76
NOT CONCERNED (TOTAL)	26	19	30	30	20	32	22	28	26	24	25	27	25	18	29	24
CONCERNED (NET)	+49	+62	+40	+41	+60	+36	+56	+44	+48	+52	+51	+47	+50	+64	+42	+52
Weighted N	1,206	456	266	484	643	563	399	807	777	429	131	859	162	56	403	747

[2] In your opinion, have plane crashes become more or less frequent in recent months compared to previous years?

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino	Flies at least once a month	Flies at least once a year	Flies less than once a year or never
Much more frequent	40	48	38	34	44	35	44	38	40	40	50	37	39	49	34	43
Somewhat more frequent	32	28	35	33	33	30	26	34	29	36	25	34	26	16	36	31
Somewhat less frequent	3	3	1	5	3	3	4	3	4	3	2	3	6	10	3	3
Much less frequent	2	2	2	3	2	3	2	2	3	1	4	2	5	3	3	2
About the same	18	16	18	20	13	23	18	18	19	16	13	19	20	23	22	15
Don't know	5	3	7	6	4	5	6	4	5	4	5	4	4	0	2	7
MORE FREQUENT (TOTAL)	72	76	73	67	77	65	70	72	69	76	75	71	65	65	70	74
LESS FREQUENT (TOTAL)	5	5	3	8	5	6	6	5	7	4	6	5	11	13	6	5
MORE FREQUENT (NET)	+67	+71	+70	+59	+72	+59	+64	+67	+62	+72	+69	+66	+54	+52	+64	+69
Weighted N	1,206	456	266	484	643	563	399	807	777	429	131	859	162	56	403	747

[3] How much have you heard, seen, or read about recent plane crashes in the United States?

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino	Flies at least once a month	Flies at least once a year	Flies less than once a year or never
A lot	63	66	58	64	64	62	52	69	60	70	65	65	57	56	69	61
A little	32	29	39	32	32	33	40	29	35	29	31	31	35	43	29	34
Nothing at all	4	5	3	4	4	5	7	3	6	2	3	4	7	1	2	6
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[4] Have recent plane crashes in America affected how you personally feel about flying on an airplane?

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino	Flies at least once a month	Flies at least once a year	Flies less than once a year or never
Yes, this has made me more scared about flying on an airplane, and it has made me less likely to fly on an airplane	35	37	29	35	38	31	37	33	35	34	46	34	37	47	26	38
Yes, this has made me more scared about flying on an airplane, but it has not affected how likely I am to fly on an airplane	28	34	25	23	31	24	34	24	26	31	30	25	36	34	40	20
No, this has not affected how I feel about flying on an airplane	35	27	44	38	28	43	26	40	37	33	22	39	25	19	33	38
Don't know	2	2	1	3	2	3	3	2	3	1	2	2	2	0	1	3
Weighted N	1,206	456	266	484	643	563	399	807	777	429	131	859	162	56	403	747

[5] For each of the following items, say how responsible you think they are for recent plane crashes.

— Recent government workforce cuts

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino	Flies at least once a month	Flies at least once a year	Flies less than once a year or never
Very responsible	31	49	28	17	35	28	37	29	31	33	49	28	31	37	29	32
Somewhat responsible	26	23	28	27	28	23	27	25	25	27	19	28	21	24	27	25
Only a little responsible	18	13	15	23	15	20	17	18	18	17	14	18	24	27	20	16
Not at all responsible	25	15	29	33	23	29	19	29	26	24	18	26	23	12	25	27
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[6] For each of the following items, say how responsible you think they are for recent plane crashes.

— Poor leadership in the FAA under past administrations

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Very responsible	26	21	22	33	26	26	26	26	25	27	34	25	23	45	26	25
Somewhat responsible	32	27	27	39	32	32	33	31	33	30	25	32	39	37	30	33
Only a little responsible	21	24	25	17	20	23	22	21	22	21	18	22	21	16	24	20
Not at all responsible	21	29	26	11	22	19	19	22	20	22	23	20	17	2	20	22
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[7] For each of the following items, say how responsible you think they are for recent plane crashes.

— Airline companies cutting costs on maintenance and training

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Very responsible	34	37	32	33	36	31	37	32	34	35	44	32	32	43	34	33
Somewhat responsible	37	35	34	40	37	36	34	38	36	37	29	38	40	35	36	37
Only a little responsible	18	18	18	17	17	19	20	17	17	19	14	19	14	15	16	19
Not at all responsible	12	11	17	9	10	14	9	13	13	9	13	11	14	7	14	11
Weighted N	1,206	456	266	484	643	563	399	807	777	429	131	859	162	56	403	747

[8] For each of the following items, say how responsible you think they are for recent plane crashes.

— Diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) hiring practices

Response	Topline	Democrat	Independent / Third party	Republican	Female	Male	Under 45	45+	No College	College	Black or African American	White	Latino	Flies at least once a month	Flies at least once a year	Flies less than once a year or never
Very responsible	23	14	18	34	20	26	19	25	24	21	27	23	16	37	22	23
Somewhat responsible	23	21	12	30	23	22	23	22	26	16	19	22	28	18	23	22
Only a little responsible	15	11	18	16	13	17	17	13	15	13	11	15	19	31	13	14
Not at all responsible	40	55	52	19	44	35	41	39	35	49	43	40	37	14	42	41
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[9] For each of the following items, say how responsible you think they are for recent plane crashes.

— An increasing amount of air travel

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Very responsible	17	18	15	18	18	17	18	17	18	16	21	17	19	42	17	16
Somewhat responsible	34	33	34	34	35	32	34	33	35	32	28	33	35	33	35	33
Only a little responsible	23	20	23	26	22	24	19	25	23	23	22	24	20	12	22	24
Not at all responsible	26	29	27	22	26	26	29	24	24	29	29	26	26	12	27	26
Weighted N	1,206	456	266	484	643	563	399	807	777	429	131	859	162	56	403	747

[10] For each of the following items, say how responsible you think they are for recent plane crashes.

— A shortage of air traffic controllers

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Very responsible	42	52	37	35	45	39	40	43	40	45	47	41	37	52	39	43
Somewhat responsible	31	27	35	33	31	32	31	32	30	33	28	32	24	25	33	31
Only a little responsible	16	12	16	19	14	18	17	15	17	14	11	16	21	10	17	15
Not at all responsible	11	9	13	12	11	11	12	11	13	8	13	11	18	13	11	11
Weighted N	1,206	456	266	484	643	563	399	807	777	429	131	859	162	56	403	747

[11] The Trump administration recently fired hundreds of Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) workers in an effort to cut government costs.

Do you believe these government workforce cuts have made flying more or less safe, or are they making no difference?

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Much more safe	5	3	3	8	4	6	6	4	5	4	5	5	6	24	6	3
Somewhat more safe	5	3	5	5	3	6	8	3	5	4	6	5	3	9	7	3
Making no difference	27	11	27	41	23	31	21	29	28	24	17	29	23	27	24	28
Somewhat less safe	22	22	21	23	22	23	22	23	22	24	24	22	19	19	26	21
Much less safe	35	58	37	12	40	29	35	35	33	39	43	32	40	21	34	37
Don't know	7	2	7	10	8	5	7	6	8	4	4	6	9	0	4	8
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