

Family member in military

June 2026



Sample 800 Family member in military
Conducted June 12 – 23, 2026
Margin of Error $\pm 3.7\%$

1. A government shutdown occurs when Congress does not pass funding legislation before a deadline. Do you generally support or oppose government shutdowns?

Strongly support	4%
Somewhat support	6%
Neither support nor oppose	23%
Somewhat oppose	22%
Strongly oppose	44%

2. Do you generally think the risk of federal government shutdowns is good or bad for Congress' ability to help the country succeed?

Very good	2%
Somewhat good	7%
Neither good nor bad	19%
Somewhat bad	29%
Very bad	43%

3. Do you think government shutdowns are generally good or bad for veterans?

Very good	0%
Somewhat good	1%
Neither good nor bad	20%
Somewhat bad	31%
Very bad	47%

4. Do you think government shutdowns are generally harmful or helpful for national security?

Very harmful	45%
Somewhat harmful	33%
Neither harmful nor helpful	18%
Somewhat helpful	3%
Very helpful	1%

5. Would you support or oppose legislation that would force Congress to stay in DC until they finish the year's budget legislation and would keep federal programs running while Congress finalizes the new legislation?

Strongly support	72%
Somewhat support	17%
Neither support nor oppose	9%
Somewhat oppose	1%
Strongly oppose	1%

6. Would you be more or less likely to vote for a politician who supported such legislation?

Much more likely	42%
Somewhat more likely	31%
Wouldn't make much of a difference	24%
Somewhat less likely	2%
Much less likely	1%

7. Such legislation, now called the Prevent Government Shutdowns Act (PGSA), currently has support from both Republicans and Democrats in Congress. Do you think they should put it up for a vote?

Yes, they should put it up for a vote	87%
No, they should not put it up for a vote	3%
Not sure	11%

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8. Age

18-29	9%
30-44	15%
45-64	42%
65+	34%

9. Gender

Male	42%
Female	58%

10. Education

HS or Less	29%
Some College	36%
College Grad	21%
Post Grad	14%

11. Race

White	79%
Black	8%
Hispanic	9%
Other	4%

12. Urban

Urban	21%
Suburban	56%
Rural	23%

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13. Presidential Vote 2024

Harris	51%
Trump	46%
Other	2%

14. Party ID

Democrat	45%
Republican	40%
Independent	15%

15. Household Income

Under \$30K	18%
\$30-50K	18%
50-100K	33%
\$100K or more	31%

16. Region

Northeast	18%
Midwest	22%
South	40%
West	21%

17. Ideology

Very Liberal	15%
Liberal	18%
Moderate	31%
Conservative	24%
Very Conservative	13%

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18. Are you the parent or guardian of any children under the age of 18?

Yes	14%
No	86%

19. What is your marital status?

Married	51%
Separated	1%
Divorced	13%
Widowed	7%
Single	23%
Domestic partnership	5%

20. Voter Registration

Yes	94%
No	5%
Not sure	1%

21. Interest in news and public affairs

Most of the time	61%
Some of the time	24%
Only now and then	9%
Hardly at all	5%
Don't know	1%