

**2025 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL
WAVE 164 MULTI-TOPIC SURVEY
FINAL QUESTIONNAIRE
FEB. 24 – MARCH 2, 2025**

Note: The questions presented below are part of a larger survey conducted on the American Trends Panel. For all questions, the 98 ("don't know" in phone mode) and 99 (refusal in phone mode and no answer in web mode) codes are combined in the data for analytical purposes.

PN = Programming note

CODEBOOK FOR ATP SAMPLE VARIABLES TO BE USED IN SURVEY PROGRAMMING LOGIC

X_FORM

- 1 Form 1
- 2 Form 2

Note: Flag to randomly assign panelists to one of two forms (Form 1, Form 2) and weight within form
ATP source: Randomly assigned for each survey.

 -----**MAIN QUESTIONNAIRE BEGINS HERE**-----

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

QUE: ADMINFOL25

ASK ALL:

How closely, if at all, have you been following news about the actions and initiatives of the Trump administration since Donald Trump took office in January?

[**PN: IF CATI:**] **(READ LIST)**

- 1 Very closely
 - 2 Fairly closely
 - 3 Not too closely
 - 4 Not at all closely
 - 98 [**PN: IF CATI:**] **(DO NOT READ)** Don't know
 - 99 [**PN: IF WEB:**] Web blank / [**PN: IF CATI:**] **(DO NOT READ)** Refused
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BAT: ADMINNOT

ASK IF FOLLOW NOT TOO OR NOT AT ALL CLOSELY (ADMINFOL25=3,4):

[**PN: RANDOMIZE ITEMS; INCLUDE RANDOMIZATION IN DATA FILE**]

[**PN: IF WEB:**] How much of a reason, if any, is each of the following for why you are not following news about the Trump administration very closely?

[**PN: IF CATI: READ FOR FIRST ITEM:**] How much of a reason, if any, is each of the following for why you are not following news about the Trump administration very closely? First, **(INSERT ITEM)**. **(READ LIST)**

[**PN: IF CATI: READ FOR SUBSEQUENT ITEMS:**] Next, **(INSERT ITEM)**. **(READ AS NECESSARY:** How much of a reason, if any, is this for why you are not following news about the Trump administration very closely? **(READ LIST IF NECESSARY))**

BATTERY ITEMS:

- REL [**PN: IF WEB:**] It's not relevant to my life [**PN: IF CATI:**] It's not relevant to your life
- WORN [**PN: IF WEB:**] I'm worn out by the amount of it [**PN: IF CATI:**] You're worn out by the amount of it
- DISLIKE [**PN: IF WEB:**] I don't like what the administration is doing [**PN: IF CATI:**] You don't like what the administration is doing
- FOLLOW [**PN: IF WEB:**] I don't typically follow political news [**PN: IF CATI:**] You don't typically follow political news
- TRUST [**PN: IF WEB:**] I trust the administration to make good decisions [**PN: IF CATI:**] You trust the administration to make good decisions

RESPONSE CATEGORIES:

- 1 Major reason
- 2 Minor reason
- 3 Not a reason
- 98 [**PN: IF CATI:**] **(DO NOT READ)** Don't know
- 99 [**PN: IF WEB:**] Web blank / [**PN: IF CATI:**] **(DO NOT READ)** Refused

BAT: ADMINWHY**ASK IF FOLLOW VERY OR FAIRLY CLOSELY (ADMINFOL25=1,2):****[PN: RANDOMIZE ITEMS; INCLUDE RANDOMIZATION IN DATA FILE]**

[PN: IF WEB:] How much of a reason, if any, is each of the following for why you are following news about the Trump administration closely?

[PN: IF CATI: READ FOR FIRST ITEM:] How much of a reason, if any, is each of the following for why you are following news about the Trump administration closely? First, **(INSERT ITEM)**. **(READ LIST)**

[PN: IF CATI: READ FOR SUBSEQUENT ITEMS:] Next, **(INSERT ITEM)**. **(READ AS NECESSARY: How much of a reason, if any, is this for why you are following news about the Trump administration closely? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY))**

BATTERY ITEMS:

REL **[PN: IF WEB:]** It's relevant to my life **[PN: IF CATI:]** It's relevant to your life
 CONCERN **[PN: IF WEB:]** I'm concerned about what the administration is doing **[PN: IF CATI:]** You're concerned about what the administration is doing
 LIKE **[PN: IF WEB:]** I like what the administration is doing **[PN: IF CATI:]** You like what the administration is doing
 AVOID It's hard to avoid
 ENT It's entertaining or interesting

RESPONSE CATEGORIES:

1 Major reason
 2 Minor reason
 3 Not a reason
 98 **[PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ)** Don't know
 99 **[PN: IF WEB:]** Web blank / **[PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ)** Refused

QUE: ADMINNEWS25**ASK ALL:****[PN: ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-2/2-1 HOLDING 3, 4 AND 99 LAST; INCLUDE ROTATION IN DATA FILE]**

Since Donald Trump took office in January, would you say you are paying more, less, or about the same amount of attention to political news as you were before he took office?

[PN: IF CATI:] (READ LIST)

1 More attention
 2 Less attention
 3 About the same amount of attention
[PN: INSERT LINE OF SPACE]
 4 **[PN: IF WEB:]** Not sure **[PN: IF CATI:]** Or are you not sure?
 99 **[PN: IF WEB:]** Web blank / **[PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ)** Refused

QUE: ADMIN1**ASK ALL:**

[PN: RANDOMIZE INSERT SHOWN IN PARENS; INCLUDE RANDOMIZATION IN DATA FILE]

How much, if anything, have you heard about the relationship between the [PN: **RANDOMIZE INSERT SHOWN** "Trump administration and the U.S. news media"; "U.S. news media and the Trump administration"]?

[PN: IF CATI:] (READ LIST)

- 1 A lot
- 2 A little
- 3 Nothing at all
- 98 [PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ) Don't know
- 99 [PN: IF WEB:] Web blank / [PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ) Refused

QUE: MEDIA_ADMIN25**ASK ALL:**

[PN: RANDOMIZE INSERT SHOWN IN PARENS IN SAME ORDER AS ADMIN1; ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-5/5-1 HOLDING 98 AND 99 LAST; INCLUDE RANDOMIZATION AND ROTATION IN DATA FILE]

Do you think that [PN: **RANDOMIZE INSERT SHOWN IN SAME ORDER AS ADMIN1** "the Trump administration and the U.S. news media"; "the U.S. news media and the Trump administration"] currently have a...?

[PN: IF CATI:] (READ LIST)

- 1 Very good relationship
- 2 Somewhat good relationship
- 3 Neutral relationship
- 4 Somewhat bad relationship
- 5 Very bad relationship
- 98 [PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ) Don't know
- 99 [PN: IF WEB:] Web blank / [PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ) Refused

TXT:

[PN: RANDOMIZE ORDER OF TRUMPMED1 AND TRUMPMED2; INCLUDE RANDOMIZATION IN DATA FILE]

QUE: TRUMPMED1**ASK ALL:**

[PN: ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-2/2-1 IN SAME ORDER AS TRUMPMED2 HOLDING 3, 98 AND 99 LAST; INCLUDE ROTATION IN DATA FILE]

When it comes to the U.S. news media, would you say the Trump administration has been...

[PN: IF CATI:] (READ LIST)

- 1 Too critical
- 2 Not critical enough
- 3 Mostly fair
- 98 [PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ) Don't know

99 [PN: IF WEB:] Web blank / [PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ) Refused

TXT:

[PN: RANDOMIZE ORDER OF TRUMPED1 AND TRUMPED2; INCLUDE RANDOMIZATION IN DATA FILE]

QUE: TRUMPED2**ASK ALL:**

[PN: ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-2/2-1 IN SAME ORDER AS TRUMPED1 HOLDING 3, 98 AND 99 LAST; INCLUDE ROTATION IN DATA FILE]

When it comes to the Trump administration, would you say the U.S. news media have been...

[PN: IF CATI:] (READ LIST)

- 1 Too critical
 - 2 Not critical enough
 - 3 Mostly fair
 - 98 [PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ) Don't know
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