

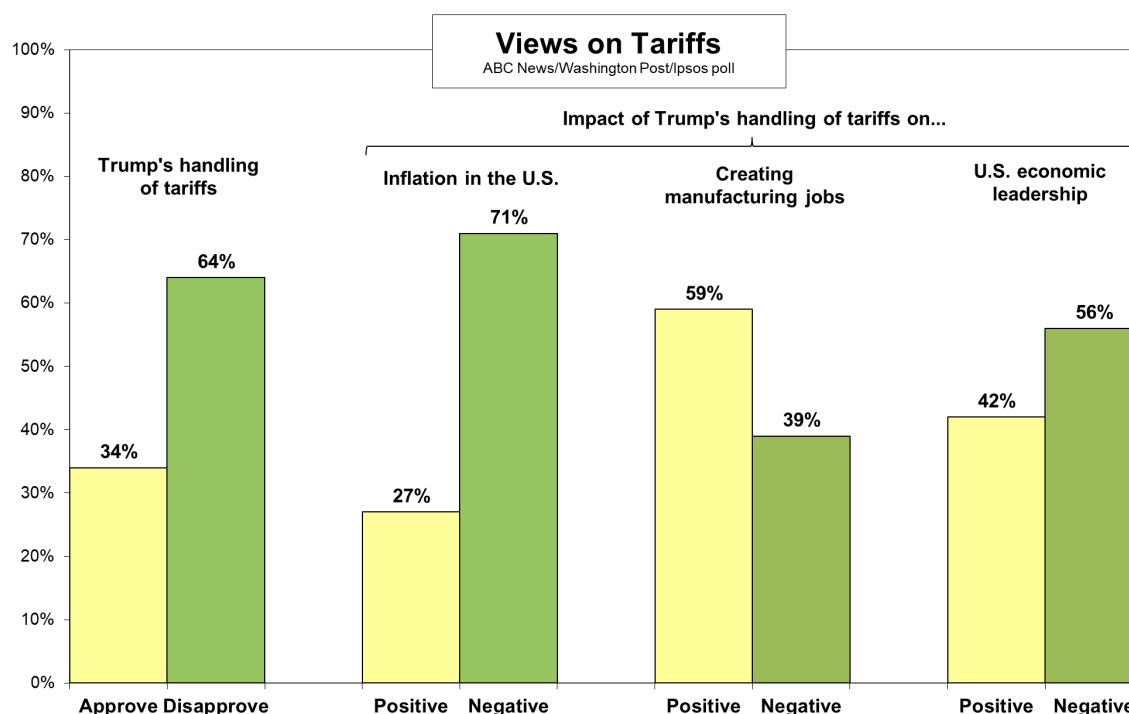
Nearly Two-Thirds Disapprove on Tariffs, With Inflation Impacts a Broad Concern

Seven in 10 Americans think Donald Trump's tariffs on international trade will drive up U.S. inflation, outweighing hopes that they'll boost manufacturing employment and fueling 64 percent disapproval of how he's handling the issue.

Even nearly half of Republicans, 47 percent in this ABC News/Washington Post/Ipsos poll, think tariffs will negatively impact inflation. That jumps to 75 percent among independents, a swing group in national politics.

The tariffs admittedly are a moving target; the administration has paused some (albeit not those on China) pending negotiations. And there is a perceived positive: Fifty-nine percent think the tariffs will have a positive impact on creating manufacturing jobs in the United States, including 90 percent of Republicans and 60 percent of independents. That, along with bringing prices down, were key campaign promises of Trump's.

But – given the current state of play – the scale tips negative again on a third factor: Fifty-six percent in this poll, produced for ABC by [Langer Research Associates](#) with fieldwork by [Ipsos](#), think Trump's handling of tariffs will negatively impact America's economic leadership in the world, vs. 42 percent who see a positive impact.



Democrats, for their part, are roundly opposed to the tariffs. Nine in 10 think they will negatively impact inflation (90 percent) and U.S. economic leadership in the world (89 percent) alike, and a near-unanimous 96 percent disapprove of Trump’s handling of them. Neither are most Democrats sold on tariffs creating manufacturing jobs: Sixty-eight percent think they’ll hurt, not help.

Given inflation fears, Trump’s overall rating for handling tariffs is a broad 30 percentage points underwater, 34-64 percent. That’s far worse than his 7-point deficit in approval on handling immigration (as reported [here](#)), demonstrating that public sentiment is especially prickly when economic well-being is on the line.

Indeed, in his own party, 25 percent of Republicans disapprove of Trump’s handling of tariffs, as do 30 percent of conservatives. And disapproval reaches 48 percent among non-college-educated white men and 47 percent of rural Americans, two core support groups for Trump.

Approval of Trump’s Handling of Tariffs Among Groups		
<i>ABC News/Washington Post/Ipsos poll</i>		
	Approve	Disapprove
All	34%	64%
Republicans	74	25
Independents	30	68
Democrats	4	96
Conservatives	68	30
White men w/o college degrees	51	48
Rural Americans	51	47

METHODOLOGY – This ABC News/Washington Post/Ipsos poll was conducted online via the probability-based Ipsos KnowledgePanel® April 18-22, 2025, in English and Spanish, among a random national sample of 2,464 adults. Partisan divisions are 30-30-29 percent, Democrats-Republicans-independents.

Results have a margin of [sampling error](#) of 2 percentage points, including the design effect. Error margins are larger for subgroups. Sampling error is not the only source of differences in polls.

The survey was produced for ABC News by [Langer Research Associates](#), with sampling and data collection by Ipsos. See details on ABC News survey methodology [here](#).

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Full results follow.

Q3b, 4b, 20c-d, 28 previously released. Q1-3a, 3c-3e, 3g-4a, 4c-20b, 20e-27, 29-34, 36-37 held for release.

3. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Trump is handling each of the following?

f. Tariffs on imported goods

	Approve	Disapprove	Skip
4/22/25	34	64	1

35. Thinking about how Trump is handling tariffs - which are taxes on goods or materials from other countries - do you think this situation will have a positive or negative impact on each of the following?

a. Inflation in the United States

	----- Positive -----			----- Negative -----			
	NET	Very	Somewhat	NET	Somewhat	Very	Skip
4/22/25	27	9	18	71	31	40	2

b. Creating more manufacturing jobs in the United States

	----- Positive -----			----- Negative -----			
	NET	Very	Somewhat	NET	Somewhat	Very	Skip
4/22/25	59	24	35	39	22	17	2

c. U.S. economic leadership in the world

	----- Positive -----			----- Negative -----			
	NET	Very	Somewhat	NET	Somewhat	Very	Skip
4/22/25	42	19	23	56	21	35	2

(Items a-b were randomized)

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