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Midterm Survey

National Survey of 1,000 Registered Voters

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SECTION B

Top Issues



What matters most to voters

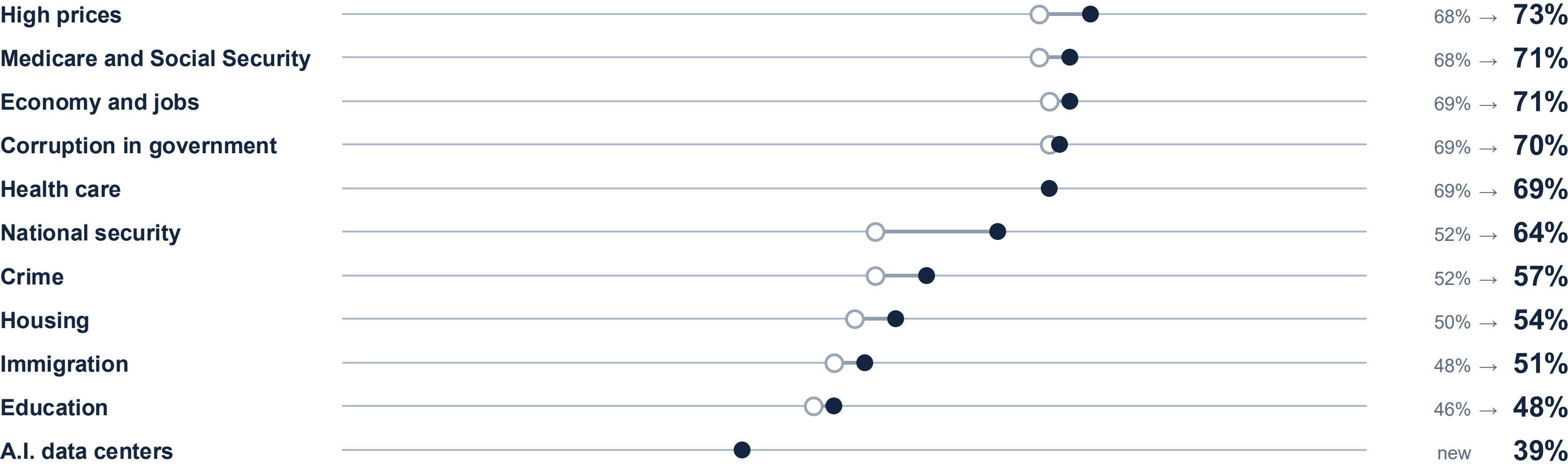
QUESTION

“In terms of how you will vote in the next Congressional election, how important are each of the following issues?”

Chart shows the percent saying "very important" · share of all 1,000 registered voters.

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ISSUES RATED "VERY IMPORTANT"



Where voters feel price pressure

QUESTION

“For you personally, where are you feeling the most pressure from high prices?”

Numbers are the share of voters who say high prices are important.

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BIGGEST PRESSURE POINT

Grocery prices



FEB → **AUG**

46% → **40%**

Gas prices



4% → **20%**

Housing costs



17% → **14%**

Healthcare costs



11% → **11%**

Electricity and natural gas



11% → **11%**

Insurance premiums



9% → **4%**

SECTION C

High Prices



High Prices — top statements

QUESTION

“Please tell me if you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about prices.”

Numbers are the share of all 1,000 registered voters.

PARTISAN	AGREE	DISAGREE	NET
Governments should help families by producing more American energy, increasing competition, and letting working families keep more of what they earn.	88%	10%	+78
Inflation is caused by too much federal spending. We should reduce federal spending and deficits that cause inflation.	84%	14%	+70
The best way to handle high prices is to cut taxes and so workers have more money to spend.	78%	18%	+60

Groceries — top statements

QUESTION

“Please tell me if you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about groceries.”

Numbers are the share of all 1,000 registered voters.

PARTISAN

	AGREE	DISAGREE	NET
To lower grocery prices, cut regulations on farmers, and stop foreigners from buying our farmland. The government shouldn't make it more expensive to produce food.	82%	16%	+66
If you want to lower grocery prices, lower energy costs. Everything in the grocery store has to be grown, processed, and shipped.	78%	17%	+61

Gas Prices — top statements

QUESTION

“Please tell me if you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about gas prices.”

Numbers are the share of all 1,000 registered voters.

PARTISAN	AGREE	DISAGREE	NET
We need to produce domestic energy so we can lower prices and be in control of our own economy.	89%	10%	+79
Gas prices are high because government policies have made it harder and more expensive to produce American energy. We should change those policies, which will lower prices for gas, groceries, housing, and other everyday expenses.	81%	18%	+63
We should increase domestic production of oil and get rid of regulations that stop refineries from converting it to cheap gasoline in the United States.	78%	20%	+58

SECTION D

Health Care



Health Care — top statements pt. 1

QUESTION

“Please tell me if you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about health care.”

Numbers are the share of all 1,000 registered voters.

PARTISAN	AGREE	DISAGREE	NET
Make healthcare affordable and accessible, keep rural hospitals open, lower regulations, expand telehealth, and improve access in underserved communities.	92%	8%	+84
Health care costs too much. Families shouldn't have to choose between paying medical bills and paying for their groceries.	91%	8%	+83
Take on big pharma and lower the price of prescription drugs.	90%	9%	+81
Patients and doctors should make health care decisions, not bureaucrats in Washington.	88%	10%	+78
Health care is too expensive. I support a 3-part plan to lower costs: tax-free health accounts, hospital transparency so we know what things cost, and pharmaceuticals that are cheaper because they are bought in bulk.	86%	12%	+74

Health Care — top statements pt. 2

QUESTION

“Please tell me if you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about health insurance.”

Numbers are the share of all 1,000 registered voters.

PARTISAN

	AGREE	DISAGREE	NET
Lower the price of prescription drugs by getting generics to the market more quickly.	91%	8%	+83
Make hospitals show their costs before they provide care. This will drive down the cost.	87%	10%	+77
Expand tax free health savings accounts for people to pay for their health care.	86%	12%	+74
Increase competition to lower costs and reduce premiums.	86%	13%	+73

SECTION E

Medicaid



Medicaid — top statements

QUESTION

“Please tell me if you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about Medicaid.”

Numbers are the share of all 1,000 registered voters.

PARTISAN	AGREE	DISAGREE	NET
Medicaid funding should not be cut for American citizens, but we should remove illegal immigrants from getting Medicaid benefits.	83%	15%	+68
Ensure that rural hospitals get the Medicaid funding they need, and only illegal immigrants are removed from getting Medicaid benefits.	83%	17%	+66
Under recently passed legislation, Medicaid funding goes up 10%. Some people are saying the bill cut funding, but the only cuts were getting rid of illegal immigrants and fraud.	67%	23%	+44

SECTION E

Housing



Housing — top statements

QUESTION

“Please tell me if you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about housing.”

Numbers are the share of all 1,000 registered voters.

BI-PARTISAN	AGREE	DISAGREE	NET
Housing costs are rising faster than wages.	90%	8%	+82
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Allow timely rent payments to count towards credit ratings so young people can buy a home.	89%	10%	+79
Increase workforce training so builders can hire people who work on construction.	88%	11%	+77
Housing prices are high because we have a housing shortage. We need to cut regulations and permitting delays and let builders build.	69%	29%	+40

SECTION E

Corruption



Corruption — top statements

QUESTION

“Please tell me if you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about corruption in government.”

Numbers are the share of all 1,000 registered voters.

BI-PARTISAN

	AGREE	DISAGREE	NET
Politicians should live under the same laws as everyone else.	93%	7%	+86
Too many special interests and corporate lobbyists get their way with politicians in Washington. The system is set up to benefit corporations over everyday people.	92%	7%	+85
No one in government should be able to use public office to enrich him- or herself.	88%	11%	+77

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Audit the government and get rid of the fraud that is wasting taxpayer dollars and making things more expensive.	90%	11%	+79
Members of Congress should not trade stocks while in office.	86%	11%	+75

SECTION E

Economic System



Economic System — top statements

QUESTION

“Please tell me if you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about the economy.”

Numbers are the share of all 1,000 registered voters.

PARTISAN	AGREE	DISAGREE	NET
The government should provide limited protections in the economy, but otherwise get out of the way and let Americans invest, create, and produce.	81%	17%	+64
Communists and their policies are a real threat to America.	73%	25%	+48
The government should exercise less control over the economy.	67%	29%	+38

METHODOLOGY

This survey of 1,000 Registered Voters was conducted online by Scott Rasmussen on August 17–18, 2026. Field work was conducted by RMG Research, Inc. Certain quotas were applied, and the sample was lightly weighted by geography, gender, age, race, education, internet usage, and political party to reasonably reflect the nation's population of Registered Voters. The margin of sampling error for the full sample is +/- 3.1 percentage points.

