

# AACC Survey of Arab Voters in California\*

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## **Method**

This survey was fielded from September 20, 2025 to September 28, 2025. Respondents were recruited via text and phone. The survey includes 880 total respondents who live in the State of California and identify as Arab, Middle Eastern, or North African. The margin of error for the Arab, Middle Eastern, and North African sample is 3.3%. Survey weights are calculated by age group, gender, and party affiliation.

## Direction

Would you say things in this country today are generally headed in the right direction or are they off on the wrong track?

	%
Right direction	15.9%
Wrong track	77.3%
Not sure	6.8%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

**Vote.2024**

Did you vote in the 2024 presidential election between Donald Trump and Kamala Harris?

	<u>          </u>
	<u>          </u>
	%
Yes	95.4%
No	4.7%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

### Vote.Choice.2024

Who did you vote for in the 2024 presidential election?

	%
Donald Trump	31.7%
Kamala Harris	46.3%
Another candidate	21.9%

Note: all choice options randomly shown.

**Vote.2020**

Now, thinking back to the 2020 presidential election between Joe Biden and Donald Trump, did you vote in the 2020 presidential election?

	<u>          </u> <u>          </u> %
Yes	73.8%
No	26.2%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

### Vote.Choice.2020

Who did you vote for in the 2020 presidential election between Joe Biden and Donald Trump?

	%
Donald Trump	25.8%
Joe Biden	70.9%
Another candidate	3.2%

Note: all choice options randomly shown.

## Party

Which political party do you feel closest to?

	%
Democrat	30.9%
Independent	42.9%
Republican	23.8%
Other	2.4%

Note: all choice options randomly shown.

### Strong.Democrat

Would you say that you are a strong Democrat, or not a very strong Democrat?

	%
Strong Democrat	61.5%
Not a very strong Democrat	38.5%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

### Strong Republican

Would you say that you are a strong Republican, or not a very strong Republican?

	%
Strong Republican	60.0%
Not a very strong Republican	40.0%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

### Independent.Lean

Do you consider yourself closer to the Democratic Party or to the Republican Party?

	%
Closer to the Democratic Party	37.3%
Closer to the Republican Party	31.3%
No, neither party	30.3%

Note: all choice options randomly shown.

### Different.Party

Was there ever a time you felt closer to a different political party than the political party you feel closest to now?

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Yes	55.4%
No	44.6%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

### Vote.Different.Party

How often do you vote for candidates from a different political party?

	%
Very often	7.1%
Often	4.8%
Sometimes	42.9%
Rarely	16.7%
Never	28.6%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

### **Jobs.Economy**

We would now like to ask you about the issues that are most important to you when you vote. For each of the issues below, please tell us how important (or not important) that issue is to you when you vote. - Jobs and the economy

	%
Very important	84.2%
Somewhat important	13.2%
Only a little important	2.6%
Not important	—

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

## Immigration

We would now like to ask you about the issues that are most important to you when you vote. For each of the issues below, please tell us how important (or not important) that issue is to you when you vote. - Immigration

	%
Very important	60.5%
Somewhat important	18.4%
Only a little important	10.5%
Not important	10.5%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

## Climate.Change

We would now like to ask you about the issues that are most important to you when you vote. For each of the issues below, please tell us how important (or not important) that issue is to you when you vote. - Climate change and the environment

	%
Very important	42.1%
Somewhat important	34.2%
Only a little important	5.3%
Not important	18.4%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

## Foreign.Policy

We would now like to ask you about the issues that are most important to you when you vote. For each of the issues below, please tell us how important (or not important) that issue is to you when you vote. - Foreign policy

	%
Very important	71.1%
Somewhat important	18.4%
Only a little important	5.3%
Not important	5.3%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

## National.Security

We would now like to ask you about the issues that are most important to you when you vote. For each of the issues below, please tell us how important (or not important) that issue is to you when you vote. - National security

	%
Very important	50.0%
Somewhat important	39.5%
Only a little important	5.3%
Not important	5.3%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

## Education

We would now like to ask you about the issues that are most important to you when you vote. For each of the issues below, please tell us how important (or not important) that issue is to you when you vote. - Education

	%
Very important	73.7%
Somewhat important	7.9%
Only a little important	13.2%
Not important	5.3%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

## Healthcare

We would now like to ask you about the issues that are most important to you when you vote. For each of the issues below, please tell us how important (or not important) that issue is to you when you vote. - Health care

	%
Very important	73.7%
Somewhat important	18.4%
Only a little important	2.6%
Not important	5.3%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

## Taxes

We would now like to ask you about the issues that are most important to you when you vote. For each of the issues below, please tell us how important (or not important) that issue is to you when you vote. - Taxes and government spending

	%
Very important	76.3%
Somewhat important	15.8%
Only a little important	5.3%
Not important	2.6%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

## Abortion

We would now like to ask you about the issues that are most important to you when you vote. For each of the issues below, please tell us how important (or not important) that issue is to you when you vote. - Abortion

	%
Very important	44.7%
Somewhat important	18.4%
Only a little important	10.5%
Not important	26.3%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

## Civil.Rights

We would now like to ask you about the issues that are most important to you when you vote. For each of the issues below, please tell us how important (or not important) that issue is to you when you vote. - Civil rights and equality

	%
Very important	68.4%
Somewhat important	15.8%
Only a little important	7.9%
Not important	7.9%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

### Civil.Liberties

We would now like to ask you about the issues that are most important to you when you vote. For each of the issues below, please tell us how important (or not important) that issue is to you when you vote. - Protection of free speech and civil liberties

	%
Very important	76.3%
Somewhat important	10.5%
Only a little important	7.9%
Not important	5.3%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

## Gun.Control

We would now like to ask you about the issues that are most important to you when you vote. For each of the issues below, please tell us how important (or not important) that issue is to you when you vote. - Gun control

	%
Very important	50.0%
Somewhat important	23.7%
Only a little important	21.1%
Not important	5.3%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

## Crime

We would now like to ask you about the issues that are most important to you when you vote. For each of the issues below, please tell us how important (or not important) that issue is to you when you vote. - Fighting crime

	%
Very important	65.8%
Somewhat important	15.8%
Only a little important	13.2%
Not important	5.3%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

### **Criminal.Justice.Reform**

We would now like to ask you about the issues that are most important to you when you vote. For each of the issues below, please tell us how important (or not important) that issue is to you when you vote. - Criminal justice reform

	%
Very important	57.9%
Somewhat important	23.7%
Only a little important	13.2%
Not important	5.3%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

## Inflation

We would now like to ask you about the issues that are most important to you when you vote. For each of the issues below, please tell us how important (or not important) that issue is to you when you vote. - Inflation/prices

	%
Very important	78.95%
Somewhat important	13.2%
Only a little important	5.3%
Not important	2.6%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

## Gaza

We would now like to ask you about the issues that are most important to you when you vote. For each of the issues below, please tell us how important (or not important) that issue is to you when you vote. - Genocide in Gaza

	%
Very important	81.6%
Somewhat important	5.3%
Only a little important	5.3%
Not important	7.9%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

## LGBTQ+

We would now like to ask you about the issues that are most important to you when you vote. For each of the issues below, please tell us how important (or not important) that issue is to you when you vote. - LGBTQ+ Rights

	%
Very important	44.7%
Somewhat important	10.5%
Only a little important	18.4%
Not important	26.3%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

### Vote.Midterm.Elections

Do you intend to vote in the upcoming November 2026 midterm elections?

	%
Yes, definitely	77.8%
Yes, probably	13.9%
Maybe	2.8%
No, probably not	2.8%
No, definitely not	2.8%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

### Approval.Trump

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as President?

	%
Strongly approve	16.7%
Somewhat approve	16.7%
Neither approve nor disapprove	5.6%
Somewhat disapprove	11.1%
Strongly disapprove	50.0%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

### Approval.Jobs.Economy

Now, please tell us if you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling the following specific issues: - Jobs and the economy

	%
Strongly approve	16.7%
Somewhat approve	16.7%
Neither approve nor disapprove	2.8%
Somewhat disapprove	11.1%
Strongly disapprove	52.8%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

### Approval.Immigration

Now, please tell us if you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling the following specific issues: - Immigration

	%
Strongly approve	22.2%
Somewhat approve	2.8%
Neither approve nor disapprove	8.3%
Somewhat disapprove	11.1%
Strongly disapprove	55.6%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

### Approval.Inflation

Now, please tell us if you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling the following specific issues: - Inflation/prices

	%
Strongly approve	8.3%
Somewhat approve	11.1%
Neither approve nor disapprove	8.3%
Somewhat disapprove	11.1%
Strongly disapprove	61.1%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

### Approval.Civil.Rights

Now, please tell us if you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling the following specific issues: - Civil rights and equality

	%
Strongly approve	11.1%
Somewhat approve	11.1%
Neither approve nor disapprove	13.9%
Somewhat disapprove	11.1%
Strongly disapprove	52.8%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

### Approval.Civil.Liberties

Now, please tell us if you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling the following specific issues: - Protection of free speech and civil liberties

	%
Strongly approve	16.7%
Somewhat approve	8.3%
Neither approve nor disapprove	8.3%
Somewhat disapprove	16.7%
Strongly disapprove	50.0%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

### Approval.Tariffs.Trade

Now, please tell us if you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling the following specific issues: - Tariffs and trade

	%
Strongly approve	5.6%
Somewhat approve	8.3%
Neither approve nor disapprove	2.8%
Somewhat disapprove	25.0%
Strongly disapprove	58.3%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

### Approval.Government.Spending

Now, please tell us if you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling the following specific issues: - Government spending and efficiency

	%
Strongly approve	22.2%
Somewhat approve	8.3%
Neither approve nor disapprove	2.8%
Somewhat disapprove	8.3%
Strongly disapprove	58.3%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

## Gaza

Now, please tell us if you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling the following specific issues: - Genocide in Gaza

	%
Strongly approve	13.9%
Somewhat approve	5.6%
Neither approve nor disapprove	16.7%
Somewhat disapprove	5.6%
Strongly disapprove	58.3%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

### Confidence.Jobs.Economy

After what you've seen and experienced during the first 6 months of Donald Trump's second presidential term, are you more confident or less confident in the Trump administration's ability to handle each of these specific issues? - Jobs and the economy

	%
More confident	22.2%
No change	25.0%
Less confident	52.8%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

### Confidence.Immigration

After what you've seen and experienced during the first 6 months of Donald Trump's second presidential term, are you more confident or less confident in the Trump administration's ability to handle each of these specific issues? -  
Immigration

	%
More confident	25.0%
No change	16.7%
Less confident	58.3%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

### Confidence.Inflation

After what you've seen and experienced during the first 6 months of Donald Trump's second presidential term, are you more confident or less confident in the Trump administration's ability to handle each of these specific issues? -  
Inflation/prices

	%
More confident	16.7%
No change	19.4%
Less confident	63.9%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

### Confidence.Civil.Rights

After what you've seen and experienced during the first 6 months of Donald Trump's second presidential term, are you more confident or less confident in the Trump administration's ability to handle each of these specific issues? - Civil rights and equality

	%
More confident	13.9%
No change	25.0%
Less confident	61.1%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

### Confidence.Civil.Liberties

After what you've seen and experienced during the first 6 months of Donald Trump's second presidential term, are you more confident or less confident in the Trump administration's ability to handle each of these specific issues? - Protection of free speech and civil liberties

	%
More confident	16.7%
No change	25.0%
Less confident	58.3%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

### Confidence.Tariffs.Trade

After what you've seen and experienced during the first 6 months of Donald Trump's second presidential term, are you more confident or less confident in the Trump administration's ability to handle each of these specific issues? - Tariffs and trade

	%
More confident	11.1%
No change	22.2%
Less confident	66.7%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

### Confidence.Government.Spending

After what you've seen and experienced during the first 6 months of Donald Trump's second presidential term, are you more confident or less confident in the Trump administration's ability to handle each of these specific issues? -  
Government spending and efficiency

	%
More confident	22.2%
No change	25.0%
Less confident	52.8%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

## Gaza

After what you've seen and experienced during the first 6 months of Donald Trump's second presidential term, are you more confident or less confident in the Trump administration's ability to handle each of these specific issues? - Genocide in Gaza

	%
More confident	22.2%
No change	22.2%
Less confident	55.6%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

## Curriculum

How concerned are you about efforts to remove or water down content related to Palestine and Arab Americans in school curriculums?

	%
Extremely concerned	54.3%
Moderately concerned	22.2%
Somewhat concerned	12.3%
Slightly concerned	9.0%
Not at all concerned	2.2%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

## Hate.Crime

Have you ever experienced a hate crime, either directed at you or directed at someone else you know?

	<hr/> <hr/> %
Yes	41.7%
No	58.3%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

### Report.Hate.Crime

Did you report the hate crime?

	<u>          </u>
	<u>          </u>
	<u>          </u>
	%
Yes	33.3%
No	66.7%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

### Report.Hate.Crime.Who

Did you report the hate crime?

	%
A community-based organization	80.0%
Local police	40.0%
The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)	5.0%

Note: all choice options randomly shown.

### Report.Hate.Crime.Process

Did you find the reporting process to be simple and accessible?

	<hr/> <hr/> %
Yes	40.0%
No	60.0%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

### Public.Officials.Care.People

How much do public officials care about what people like you think?

	%
A great deal	5.6%
A lot	11.1%
A moderate amount	13.9%
Not very much	41.7%
Not at all	27.8%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

### Public.Officials.Care.Community

Do you feel that public officials care about issues affecting your community?

	<hr/> <hr/> %
Yes	36.1%
No	63.9%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

### How Important Public Officials Engage Community

How important is it to you that public officials engage directly with your community?

	%
Very important	66.7%
Somewhat important	16.7%
Only a little important	8.3%
Not important	8.3%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

## Agency

How much can people like you affect what the government does?

	%
A great deal	19.4%
A lot	8.3%
A moderate amount	27.8%
Not very much	41.7%
Not at all	2.8%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

## Representation

Do you believe that Arab Americans are adequately represented in political leadership in California?

	<u>          </u> <u>          </u> %
Yes	12.3%
No	87.7%

Note: all choice options randomly rotated.

## Age

What is your age?

Average	
Age	43.4

## Gender

Which most closely describes your gender?

	%
Female	44.4%
Male	52.8%
Non-binary/third gender	2.8%

## Education

What is the highest level of education that you have completed?

	%
Less than bachelor's degree	27.8%
Bachelor's degree or higher	72.2%

## Income

What is your annual income?

	%
Less than \$150,000	63.9%
More than \$150,000	36.1%

## Ideology

Which of the following best describes you?

	%
Very liberal	16.7%
Liberal	16.7%
Moderate	41.7%
Conservative	22.2%
Very conservative	2.8%