

NATO and Foreign Intervention — Topline Report

APPC W37 National Survey | Feb. 17–Mar. 20, 2026

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Methodology

This report presents findings from the Annenberg Public Policy Center’s W37 National Survey, a probability-based online panel survey of U.S. adults. The survey focused on attitudes toward NATO and U.S. foreign military intervention.

All results are weighted to national benchmarks including age, sex, race/ethnicity, education, and region using `weight_recall_4`. See the methodology report for more details on weighting. Design effects and margins of error are calculated using replicate-based variance estimation via the `replicatev2` variable.

Field dates: 2026-02-17 to 2026-03-20

Sample size (unweighted): 1330 U.S. adults

Design effect: 1.68

Margin of error (95% confidence, full sample): ± 3.5 percentage points

Replicate-Level Methodology

Replicate	N (unwtd)	DEFF	MOE \pm pp	Field start	Field end
1	659	1.69	5.0	2026-02-17	2026-03-01
2	671	1.67	4.9	2026-03-09	2026-03-20

Weighted Toplines

All figures are rounded to the nearest whole number and may not add to 100%. Combined subcategories may not add to NET totals due to rounding. Feb.–Mar. 2026 full sample; party and identity rows are subgroup distributions.

FAVPOL_75. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the following people, organizations, or institutions? - The North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)

Group	NET Fav.	NET Unfav.	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Neither	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know
Feb.–Mar. 2026	38	18	18	19	28	10	8	17
Democrat	55	9	32	23	21	3	6	16
Independent	35	19	20	14	39	10	8	8
Republican	21	28	4	17	33	18	10	19
Trump supporter	6	44	2	4	29	24	20	20
Both equally	26	30	3	24	31	11	19	13
GOP supporter	30	23	11	19	36	19	4	10
Neither	22	19	1	21	40	17	2	18

NATO1. How much, if at all, do you think U.S. security benefits from being a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)?

Group	NET Pos.	NET Neg.	A great deal	A lot	A moderate amount	A little	Not at all	Not sure
Feb.–Mar. 2026	52	26	19	14	19	16	11	22
Democrat	68	12	32	22	15	9	4	20
Independent	55	23	23	15	17	10	13	22
Republican	34	43	4	5	25	26	17	23
Trump supporter	22	56	0	4	18	24	33	22
Both equally	31	45	4	4	24	23	22	24
GOP supporter	47	36	9	10	28	27	9	17
Neither	27	41	2	1	24	20	20	33

NATO2. How important, if at all, do you think it is that the U.S. remains a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)?

Group	NET Pos.	NET Neg.	A great deal	A lot	A moderate amount	A little	Not at all	Not sure
Feb.–Mar. 2026	61	21	31	13	16	12	9	18
Democrat	79	7	52	15	12	4	3	14
Independent	58	24	31	10	18	9	15	18
Republican	44	37	10	13	21	22	15	20
Trump supporter	28	51	6	3	18	26	25	22
Both equally	38	39	6	20	11	22	17	23
GOP supporter	59	26	19	16	24	15	11	16
Neither	41	40	5	6	30	22	18	19

VENZ2. Do U.S. foreign military interventions more often (improve) or (worsen) situations in the countries where they occur?

Group	Improve	Neither improve nor worsen	Worsen	Not sure
Feb.–Mar. 2026	20	18	42	20
Democrat	6	12	66	16
Independent	10	25	43	23
Republican	39	24	16	22
Trump supporter	43	24	17	16
Both equally	51	15	7	27
GOP supporter	36	25	19	20
Neither	19	15	29	37