



Understanding Support for Political Violence in Chicago

Chicago Project on Security and Threats,

TOPLINE

Fielded by NORC at the University of Chicago for CPOST

Interviews: 6/23 to 7/09/25

1111 adults ages 18+

Margin of Error: +/- 4 percentage points at the 95% confidence level among all 18+ General Population

Note: All results show percentages among all respondents, unless otherwise labeled.

Percentages may not always sum to 100%.

[cpost_conspiracya] [The Democratic Party is trying to replace the current electorate with new people, more obedient voters from the Third World.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	9.4%	6.2%	10.5%	20.3%
Agree	12.7%	9.7%	12.1%	23.9%
Neither agree nor disagree	34.8%	29.5%	49.4%	38.3%
Disagree	14.3%	15.0%	16.4%	9.9%
Strongly disagree	28.1%	39.4%	10.2%	6.6%
SKIPPED ON WEB	0.6%	0.2%	1.3%	0.9%

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[cpost_conspiracyb] [A secret group of Satan-worshipping pedophiles is ruling the US government.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	7.9%	7.1%	7.0%	12.3%
Agree	9.7%	9.3%	7.3%	13.0%
Neither agree nor disagree	27.8%	25.8%	38.4%	23.3%
Disagree	15.3%	14.6%	17.5%	15.4%
Strongly disagree	38.8%	43.1%	28.4%	35.6%
SKIPPED ON WEB	0.4%	0.0%	1.4%	0.4%

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[cpost_conspiracyc] [The rich and powerful are keeping the rest of us from getting ahead.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	32.7%	40.9%	22.7%	14.1%
Agree	27.7%	30.3%	19.0%	27.9%
Neither agree nor disagree	22.9%	18.6%	32.8%	28.0%
Disagree	10.1%	6.7%	16.7%	15.4%
Strongly disagree	6.1%	3.6%	7.8%	14.2%
SKIPPED ON WEB	0.3%	0.0%	1.0%	0.4%

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[cpost_conspiracyd] [Discrimination against people like me is the main barrier to my success.]

Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	11.6%	12.6%	9.8%	10.2%
Agree	16.9%	18.7%	11.6%	15.4%
Neither agree nor disagree	31.2%	30.1%	37.6%	28.3%
Disagree	22.8%	23.5%	22.7%	20.5%
Strongly disagree	17.1%	15.0%	17.4%	25.2%
SKIPPED ON WEB	0.3%	0.0%	0.9%	0.4%
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[cpost_econconcerna] [I am concerned about losing my primary source of income in the next 12 months.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	9.3%	10.4%	9.8%	4.8%
Agree	17.2%	17.9%	15.6%	17.1%
Neither agree nor disagree	26.0%	24.9%	30.2%	24.2%
Disagree	27.0%	28.6%	20.2%	29.1%
Strongly disagree	19.2%	17.9%	22.8%	20.5%
SKIPPED ON WEB	1.2%	0.3%	1.5%	4.3%
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[cpost_econconcernb] [I am worse off than my parents.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	9.3%	10.6%	3.9%	10.7%
Agree	16.5%	17.9%	12.9%	15.8%
Neither agree nor disagree	22.1%	19.6%	34.7%	15.9%
Disagree	30.5%	32.3%	20.3%	35.6%
Strongly disagree	21.2%	19.3%	27.4%	21.3%
SKIPPED ON WEB	0.5%	0.3%	0.8%	0.7%
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[cpost_econconcernc] [I will never be as prosperous as my parents.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

CPOST/NORC 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	7.5%	9.0%	1.5%	8.6%
Agree	14.0%	15.3%	7.7%	15.7%
Neither agree nor disagree	26.1%	23.3%	38.6%	22.1%
Disagree	30.5%	33.5%	25.6%	24.4%
Strongly disagree	21.6%	18.7%	26.3%	27.8%
SKIPPED ON WEB	0.4%	0.2%	0.3%	1.3%
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[cpost_econconcernd] [The American Dream is out of reach for me.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

CPOST/NORC 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	11.4%	13.4%	8.2%	8.0%
Agree	18.0%	19.8%	10.5%	20.3%
Neither agree nor disagree	26.8%	27.0%	32.3%	18.4%
Disagree	28.4%	26.1%	32.1%	33.1%
Strongly disagree	14.6%	13.5%	15.6%	18.3%
SKIPPED ON WEB	0.7%	0.2%	1.2%	2.0%
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[cpost_immigrationa] [Immigrants targeted by the Trump administration for deportation are justified in using force to defend themselves.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

CPOST/NORC 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	12.8%	16.0%	4.9%	9.2%
Agree	17.0%	20.9%	7.2%	13.9%
Neither agree nor disagree	28.7%	26.2%	47.3%	16.0%
Disagree	20.6%	23.6%	16.1%	15.2%
Strongly disagree	19.9%	12.5%	24.0%	43.8%
SKIPPED ON WEB	1.0%	0.9%	0.4%	1.9%
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[cpost_immigrationb] [I am a member of a community either online or in real life that opposes the deportation of undocumented immigrants.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	13.3%	17.4%	5.8%	6.9%
Agree	18.9%	23.0%	10.1%	13.6%
Neither agree nor disagree	29.3%	30.0%	33.5%	21.6%
Disagree	19.0%	15.2%	27.5%	22.3%
Strongly disagree	18.4%	13.6%	21.3%	33.7%
SKIPPED ON WEB	1.2%	0.8%	1.8%	1.9%

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[cpost_immigrationc] [Immigrants, whether legal or not, make Chicago a better place to live.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	21.5%	28.0%	10.4%	10.4%
Agree	25.9%	30.9%	17.8%	16.9%
Neither agree nor disagree	33.1%	27.1%	48.2%	37.1%
Disagree	11.0%	8.8%	12.4%	17.9%
Strongly disagree	7.3%	4.1%	10.7%	15.7%
SKIPPED ON WEB	1.2%	1.2%	0.4%	1.9%

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[cpost_immigrationd] [Immigrants increase crime in Chicago.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	9.7%	6.4%	9.7%	22.3%
Agree	14.2%	10.4%	16.2%	26.5%
Neither agree nor disagree	32.8%	26.4%	51.2%	35.0%
Disagree	22.5%	28.6%	12.8%	10.0%
Strongly disagree	19.8%	27.2%	9.5%	4.3%
SKIPPED ON WEB	1.0%	0.9%	0.7%	1.9%

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[cpost_lawenforcementa] [My city officials should support the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agency (ICE) and other federal agencies in arresting illegal immigrants.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	13.9%	6.7%	12.1%	43.5%
Agree	14.6%	12.2%	16.7%	21.7%
Neither agree nor disagree	26.3%	23.3%	40.7%	19.4%
Disagree	14.8%	17.1%	12.1%	9.7%
Strongly disagree	30.2%	40.6%	18.1%	5.2%
SKIPPED ON WEB	0.2%	0.2%	0.3%	0.4%
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[cpost_lawenforcementb] [I have a positive view of the Chicago Police Department.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	11.6%	9.0%	8.3%	25.5%
Agree	26.3%	24.8%	24.2%	34.8%
Neither agree nor disagree	32.4%	33.0%	37.0%	23.6%
Disagree	15.2%	17.0%	13.0%	10.9%
Strongly disagree	14.1%	15.6%	17.2%	4.8%
SKIPPED ON WEB	0.5%	0.6%	0.2%	0.4%
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[cpost_lawenforcementc] [I have a positive view of ICE.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	9.5%	4.6%	6.5%	32.0%
Agree	11.3%	7.5%	11.8%	25.3%
Neither agree nor disagree	22.2%	15.7%	37.4%	28.2%
Disagree	16.6%	20.6%	11.4%	6.7%
Strongly disagree	39.7%	50.7%	32.6%	7.2%
SKIPPED ON WEB	0.7%	0.9%	0.3%	0.6%
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[cpost_lawenforcementd] [When members of the police are violently attacked, it is because they deserve it.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	5.3%	5.8%	2.5%	6.9%
Agree	10.4%	11.3%	8.8%	8.8%
Neither agree nor disagree	29.0%	29.0%	41.5%	13.6%
Disagree	23.3%	26.6%	15.4%	20.4%
Strongly disagree	31.4%	26.5%	31.4%	50.0%
SKIPPED ON WEB	0.6%	0.7%	0.4%	0.4%
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[cpost_protesta] [I would attend a peaceful protest against the Trump administration's efforts to deport illegal immigrants.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	26.2%	36.5%	9.5%	7.2%
Agree	17.2%	21.2%	8.8%	11.9%
Neither agree nor disagree	23.7%	21.8%	33.9%	18.6%
Disagree	11.2%	9.0%	15.5%	14.7%
Strongly disagree	21.1%	10.8%	32.1%	47.2%
SKIPPED ON WEB	0.6%	0.8%	0.2%	0.4%
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[cpost_protestb] [I would attend a protest against the Trump administration's efforts to deport illegal immigrants, even if it became violent.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	14.4%	18.0%	5.4%	11.2%
Agree	13.3%	17.3%	6.8%	5.0%
Neither agree nor disagree	26.3%	28.5%	31.5%	12.8%
Disagree	18.7%	19.4%	19.6%	14.9%
Strongly disagree	26.7%	16.3%	36.6%	54.4%
SKIPPED ON WEB	0.6%	0.4%	0.2%	1.7%
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[cpost_protestc] [I would attend a protest against the genocide of Palestinians in Gaza, even if it became violent.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	9.2%	11.6%	3.4%	7.3%
Agree	13.3%	15.0%	9.3%	10.6%
Neither agree nor disagree	29.0%	31.1%	31.5%	19.1%
Disagree	17.8%	18.5%	20.3%	12.8%
Strongly disagree	30.2%	23.4%	35.3%	49.7%
SKIPPED ON WEB	0.4%	0.4%	0.2%	0.5%

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[cpost_protestd] [We need a national civic uprising against President Donald Trump's agenda.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	36.0%	49.5%	18.0%	6.4%
Agree	19.6%	24.0%	9.9%	14.4%
Neither agree nor disagree	21.0%	17.7%	37.4%	13.2%
Disagree	7.1%	4.0%	10.7%	14.6%
Strongly disagree	15.5%	3.8%	23.8%	49.8%
SKIPPED ON WEB	0.9%	1.0%	0.2%	1.7%

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[cpost_racisma] [America is systemically racist against non-White people and always has been.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	28.8%	37.9%	16.9%	8.7%
Agree	25.8%	30.1%	17.5%	18.5%
Neither agree nor disagree	25.3%	20.5%	43.1%	23.0%
Disagree	10.4%	6.3%	9.0%	27.2%
Strongly disagree	9.1%	4.7%	12.4%	22.2%
SKIPPED ON WEB	0.6%	0.5%	1.1%	0.5%

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[cpost_racismb] [Republicans are racist against non-White people.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	20.5%	28.2%	7.8%	6.2%
Agree	25.6%	32.0%	17.7%	9.4%
Neither agree nor disagree	30.6%	28.8%	43.1%	23.5%
Disagree	14.3%	7.4%	19.0%	35.3%
Strongly disagree	8.4%	3.0%	11.3%	25.5%
SKIPPED ON WEB	0.7%	0.6%	1.1%	0.0%
<i>N=</i>	1111	695	197	215

[cpost_racismc] [Democrats are racist against White people.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	5.7%	2.8%	5.0%	17.6%
Agree	9.9%	7.3%	7.1%	22.0%
Neither agree nor disagree	28.0%	20.1%	47.7%	35.4%
Disagree	24.2%	26.8%	20.2%	19.5%
Strongly disagree	31.3%	42.0%	19.0%	5.5%
SKIPPED ON WEB	0.8%	0.9%	1.0%	0.0%
<i>N=</i>	1111	695	197	215

[cpost_racismd] [Irish, Italians, Jewish, and many other minorities overcame prejudice and worked their way up. Blacks should do the same without any special favors.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	11.2%	6.6%	13.7%	25.9%
Agree	20.1%	15.9%	20.0%	36.3%
Neither agree nor disagree	30.2%	28.5%	39.3%	25.5%
Disagree	16.2%	20.3%	10.0%	8.2%
Strongly disagree	21.7%	28.3%	16.3%	3.5%
SKIPPED ON WEB	0.5%	0.3%	0.8%	0.6%
<i>N=</i>	1111	695	197	215

[cpost_trumpa] [Donald Trump is justified using the U.S. military to stop protests against the Trump agenda.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	7.9%	3.7%	7.2%	24.9%
Agree	7.3%	5.0%	4.7%	19.5%
Neither agree nor disagree	22.5%	13.4%	37.6%	39.5%
Disagree	14.4%	13.7%	21.0%	8.4%
Strongly disagree	47.4%	63.9%	29.2%	6.7%
SKIPPED ON WEB	0.5%	0.3%	0.3%	1.0%
<i>N=</i>	1111	695	197	215

[cpost_trumpb] [The use of force is justified to remove Donald Trump from the presidency.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	20.5%	28.5%	8.9%	3.9%
Agree	16.5%	18.0%	11.1%	16.2%
Neither agree nor disagree	25.3%	25.2%	35.3%	14.2%
Disagree	17.3%	16.2%	21.9%	16.6%
Strongly disagree	19.3%	10.7%	22.6%	48.5%
SKIPPED ON WEB	1.0%	1.3%	0.1%	0.6%
<i>N=</i>	1111	695	197	215

[cpost_trumpc] [President Trump is saving democracy.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	7.8%	2.8%	6.9%	27.9%
Agree	6.4%	3.1%	3.5%	22.3%
Neither agree nor disagree	18.5%	9.8%	35.1%	32.1%
Disagree	14.0%	12.5%	21.0%	10.9%
Strongly disagree	52.8%	71.2%	33.4%	6.7%
SKIPPED ON WEB	0.5%	0.6%	0.1%	0.0%
<i>N=</i>	1111	695	197	215

[cpost_trumpd] [President Trump is destroying democracy.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	47.4%	65.3%	25.6%	6.0%
Agree	15.1%	15.8%	13.0%	14.0%
Neither agree nor disagree	16.6%	11.5%	30.9%	18.5%
Disagree	9.2%	3.9%	15.8%	22.2%
Strongly disagree	11.3%	3.1%	14.6%	38.8%
SKIPPED ON WEB	0.4%	0.4%	0.1%	0.5%
<i>N=</i>	1111	695	197	215

[cpost_victim] [The system works against people like me.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	12.3%	14.3%	8.4%	9.4%
Agree	23.5%	25.6%	21.7%	18.3%
Neither agree nor disagree	31.3%	29.7%	41.5%	24.5%
Disagree	18.6%	17.1%	15.7%	27.5%
Strongly disagree	13.3%	12.8%	12.0%	17.0%
SKIPPED ON WEB	1.1%	0.5%	0.7%	3.3%
<i>N=</i>	1111	695	197	215

[cpost_victimb] [The system is rigged to benefit a select few.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	24.9%	30.2%	16.8%	14.9%
Agree	34.2%	34.4%	34.6%	33.4%
Neither agree nor disagree	22.0%	21.0%	26.0%	20.5%
Disagree	10.8%	6.9%	15.4%	20.7%
Strongly disagree	7.6%	7.0%	6.9%	10.5%
SKIPPED ON WEB	0.4%	0.5%	0.3%	0.0%
<i>N=</i>	1111	695	197	215

[cpost_victimc] [I have threatened people I know.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	2.9%	2.7%	1.8%	5.3%
Agree	6.1%	5.2%	6.5%	9.3%
Neither agree nor disagree	15.2%	13.8%	22.6%	10.8%
Disagree	19.4%	20.7%	16.5%	18.0%
Strongly disagree	56.1%	57.3%	52.3%	56.6%
SKIPPED ON WEB	0.3%	0.4%	0.3%	0.0%
<i>N=</i>	1111	695	197	215

[cpost_victimd] [There are people who have pushed me so far that we have come to blows.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	6.0%	5.6%	5.7%	8.2%
Agree	11.9%	12.8%	8.7%	12.5%
Neither agree nor disagree	18.2%	17.3%	22.2%	15.9%
Disagree	25.1%	24.1%	25.7%	28.1%
Strongly disagree	38.3%	39.5%	37.5%	35.3%
SKIPPED ON WEB	0.5%	0.7%	0.3%	0.0%
<i>N=</i>	1111	695	197	215

[cpost_wapoa] [I support the protests in Los Angeles against the federal government's immigration enforcement.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	29.5%	39.9%	12.5%	10.4%
Agree	23.4%	27.6%	18.9%	13.1%
Neither agree nor disagree	24.9%	21.1%	39.3%	22.0%
Disagree	10.5%	6.2%	15.2%	21.6%
Strongly disagree	10.4%	4.9%	12.6%	28.7%
SKIPPED ON WEB	1.4%	0.3%	1.6%	4.2%
<i>N=</i>	1111	695	197	215

[cpost_wapob] [I approve of the way President Trump is handling immigration enforcement, including deportations.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	9.2%	4.0%	6.0%	33.2%
Agree	12.0%	6.8%	11.2%	33.1%
Neither agree nor disagree	18.4%	13.6%	34.3%	17.3%
Disagree	14.3%	13.3%	18.5%	13.8%
Strongly disagree	45.4%	62.1%	28.8%	2.2%
SKIPPED ON WEB	0.6%	0.3%	1.2%	0.4%
<i>N=</i>	1111	695	197	215

[cpost_wapoc] [Police are using too much force dealing with L.A. protestors.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	26.7%	36.9%	11.8%	5.7%
Agree	19.5%	22.7%	16.2%	11.7%
Neither agree nor disagree	28.9%	25.8%	43.5%	22.9%
Disagree	14.7%	9.9%	19.5%	27.5%
Strongly disagree	9.6%	4.5%	8.3%	30.8%
SKIPPED ON WEB	0.7%	0.3%	0.7%	1.4%
<i>N=</i>	1111	695	197	215

[cpost_wapod] [I support Trump sending the National Guard and Marines to respond to the L.A. protests.] Please let us know how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

<i>CPOST/NORC</i> 6/23 to 7/09/25	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly agree	10.5%	3.8%	8.0%	38.9%
Agree	11.0%	7.5%	11.7%	23.6%
Neither agree nor disagree	18.7%	13.6%	31.6%	22.0%
Disagree	13.9%	13.9%	16.4%	11.4%
Strongly disagree	45.4%	61.0%	31.6%	3.6%
SKIPPED ON WEB	0.5%	0.3%	0.7%	0.4%
<i>N=</i>	1111	695	197	215