



## **REAGAN INSTITUTE POLL: BIPARTISAN SUPPORT FOR AIDING UKRAINE AND STANDING UP TO CHINA ENDURES, AMERICANS OPPOSE CUTTING DEFENSE**

**WASHINGTON, DC** - The Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute today released the results of the Reagan Institute Summer Survey, a national public opinion poll on foreign policy and national security issues. The survey, which asked questions of 1,254 people, found Americans have clear, strong, and enduring views on continued U.S. leadership and engagement with the world, from deterring China and supporting Ukraine to increasing defense spending. The survey also examines partisan perceptions of international engagement and border security and immigration issues.

Analysis of the survey results as well as the full polling data are available online at: [www.reaganfoundation.org/summersurvey](http://www.reaganfoundation.org/summersurvey)

### **Key takeaways include:**

- **Ukraine:** Despite increased partisan rhetoric, support for aid to Ukraine has not wavered since our November 2022 survey. A majority of Americans support sending U.S. military aid to Ukraine, and **three-quarters say that it is important to the United States that Ukraine wins the war.**
- **Defense Spending:** Nearly 60% of Americans, including 70% of Republicans, oppose **cutting military spending to reduce the federal budget deficit.**
- **China:** A majority of Americans support measures to **deter Chinese aggression against Taiwan**, and bipartisan majorities would support a trade deal designed to counter China.
- **Engagement vs. Isolationism:** Americans' approach to balancing domestic concerns with international engagement remains complex, but **maintaining a strong military (85% support), promoting international trade (76%), and defending human rights abroad (74%) all command robust majority support.**
- **TikTok:** Opinion is split on banning TikTok. While Republicans are more likely to support a ban than Democrats, **the greatest disparity in opinion occurs across age cohorts.**

"Americans have core principles that have remained consistent over time, specifically in their enduring support for a strong military, defending Ukraine against Russian aggression, and deterring China," said the Director of the Ronald Reagan Institute Roger Zakheim. "Our survey shows the

American people want the United States to demonstrate leadership in the world in line with President Reagan's principle of 'peace through strength.'"

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**About the Reagan Foundation and Institute:**

The Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute is the sole nonprofit organization created by President Reagan charged with continuing his legacy and sharing his principles – individual liberty, economic opportunity, global democracy and national pride. The Foundation is a non-partisan organization which sustains the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library and Museum in Simi Valley, CA, the Reagan Center for Public Affairs, the Presidential Learning Center, The Air Force One Pavilion, the award-winning Reagan Leadership Center and the Reagan Institute, which carries out the Foundation's mission in Washington, D.C.

The Reagan Library houses over 55 million pages of Gubernatorial, Presidential and personal papers and over 60,000 gifts and artifacts chronicling the lives of Ronald and Nancy Reagan. It also serves as the final resting place of America's 40th President and former First Lady Nancy Reagan.