

To: All Interested Parties
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Re: National Survey Executive Summary – Voters Overwhelmingly Support Term Limits for Congress
Date: January 15, 2018

Survey Summary:

The results of our recently completed national survey show that voters overwhelmingly believe in implementing term limits on members of Congress. Support for term limits is broad and strong across all political, geographic and demographic groups. An overwhelming 82% of voters approve of a Constitutional Amendment that will place term limits on members of Congress. Four-in-five voters believe that it is important for President Trump to keep his promise to support term limits for members of Congress by calling on Congress to vote for term limits, the majority of voters, 54%, believe it is very important for the President to keep his promise.

Do you approve or disapprove of a Constitutional Amendment that will place term limits on members of Congress?

	Total	Rep.	Dem.	Ind.	Hispanic	A.A.*	White
Approve	82%	89%	76%	83%	72%	70%	86%
Strongly	56%	63%	45%	63%	45%	46%	61%
Somewhat	26%	26%	31%	20%	27%	24%	26%
Disapprove	9%	6%	12%	8%	18%	15%	6%
Somewhat	6%	3%	8%	6%	12%	8%	5%
Strongly	3%	2%	4%	2%	6%	6%	2%
Don't Know	9%	6%	12%	9%	11%	16%	8%

*A.A. represents African American voters surveyed

During his campaign for President, Donald Trump promised that he would support term limits for members of Congress, how important is it for President Trump to keep his promise to support term limits for members of Congress by calling on Congress to vote for term limits.

	Total	Rep.	Dem.	Ind.	Hispanic	A.A.*	White
Important	79%	91%	69%	79%	80%	60%	83%
Very	54%	62%	45%	54%	51%	43%	57%
Somewhat	26%	29%	24%	25%	29%	17%	26%
Not Important At All	12%	6%	19%	11%	13%	27%	9%
Unsure	9%	3%	12%	10%	7%	13%	8%

If a bill were introduced in Congress to place term limits on members of Congress, would you want your senator and congressman to vote yes or no on this bill?

	Total	Rep.	Dem.	Ind.	Hispanic	A.A.*	White
Yes	77%	82%	69%	80%	68%	64%	81%
No	6%	6%	7%	5%	10%	10%	5%
Undecided	17%	12%	24%	15%	21%	26%	14%

Nearly three-in-four voters, 73%, are more likely to vote for a candidate for U.S. Congress who supports implementing term limits on Congress, 42%, are much more likely.

Would you be more likely or less likely to vote for a candidate for U.S. Congress who supports implementing term limits for members of Congress?

	Total	Rep.	Dem.	Ind.	Hispanic	A.A.*	White
More Likely	73%	80%	64%	77%	71%	58%	78%
Much More	42%	45%	33%	49%	39%	27%	46%
Somewhat More	31%	35%	31%	27%	32%	31%	31%
Less Likely	8%	5%	11%	8%	15%	16%	5%
Somewhat Less	5%	3%	7%	4%	9%	7%	3%
Much Less	3%	2%	3%	4%	6%	9%	1%
No Difference	11%	9%	16%	6%	6%	13%	11%
Don't Know	8%	6%	10%	9%	9%	14%	7%

Conclusions:

American voters overwhelmingly support placing term limits on members of Congress. The support for term limits is strong, broad and intense, to vote for members of Congress who will vote “yes” on term limits, and against those who will vote “no” against term limits for members of Congress.

Methodology:

This survey of 1,000 likely general election voters nationwide was conducted on Jan. 5th to 11th, 2018. All interviews were conducted online; survey invitations were distributed randomly within predetermined geographic units. These units were structured to correlate with actual voter turnout in a nationwide general election. This poll of 1,000 likely general election voters has an accuracy of +/- 3.1% at a 95% confidence interval. The error margin increases for cross-tabulations.

Key Demographics:

Party:

	Total
Republican	33%
Democrat	36%
Independent/Other	31%

Gender:

	Total
Men	47%
Women	53%

Ideology:

	Total
Liberal	24%
Moderate	40%
Conservative	37%

Race:

	Total
White	71%
Asian/Asian American	4%
African American	12%
Hispanic	11%
Other	2%

Age:

	Total
18-29	15%
30-40	17%
41-55	25%
56-65	23%
Over 65	20%
Mean	49