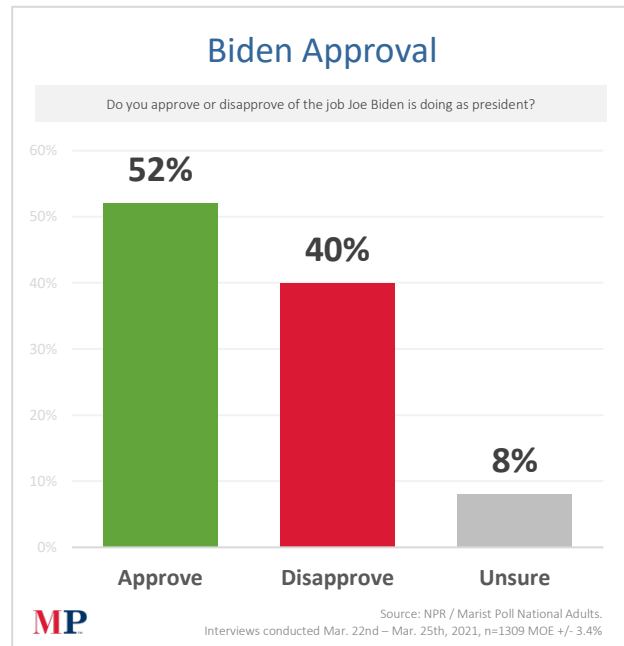


Biden Approval Rating Up to 52%... Seven in Ten Americans Say They Have or Will Receive COVID Vaccine

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A majority of Americans approve of President Joe Biden’s job performance. He also receives majority approval on the issues of the economy and, especially, the coronavirus pandemic. Yet, only a little more than one in three approve of how the president is handling immigration.

- 52% of Americans approve of Biden’s overall job performance, up from 49% earlier this month. Notably, a plurality of independents (48%) approve of how Biden is doing his job. They divided, 43% to 43%, last time.
- 51% of Americans approve of how Biden is handling the economy. 41% disapprove. Earlier in March, 46% approved and 41% disapproved.
- 65% approve of how Biden is dealing with the coronavirus pandemic compared with a positive rating of 62% earlier this month. 30% of 2020 Trump voters now approve of Biden’s efforts up from 22% just a few weeks ago.
- Americans are less likely to approve of Biden’s performance on immigration (34% approve to 53% disapprove). In January 2018, 38% approved of former President Donald Trump’s performance on the issue. 58% disapproved.



36% of Americans, up from 22% three weeks ago, say they have already received a coronavirus vaccine, and an additional 34% say they will receive the vaccine once it is available to them. The proportion of Americans who say they will not be vaccinated has decreased to 25% from 30%. Opposition to the vaccine is driven mainly by Republicans (36%), including 46% of Republican men, and Trump supporters (40%), although fewer Republicans and Trump supporters now say they will refuse to get the vaccine. 41% of the GOP and 47% of Trump supporters said they would not be vaccinated in the last survey conducted earlier in March. There is no statistical difference across racial lines (whites (24%), Blacks (22%), and Latinos (24%)) when it comes to reluctance to take the vaccine. However, there is a difference in proportions who have already done so. 40% of whites, 34% of Blacks, and 28% of Latinos report they have been vaccinated.

“The numbers are slowly trending upward among those who have taken or are willing to take the vaccine, from 62% in January to 67% earlier this month to 70% currently,” says Dr. Lee M. Miringoff, Director of The Marist Poll. “Yet, two important issues remain: continued acceptance of Trump voters to be vaccinated and greater access to the vaccine for people of color.”