

Voters Overwhelmingly Support the President & Congress Working Together to Negotiate More Trade Agreements

A national survey among 1,000 likely voters clearly illustrates overwhelming support for Congress and the President to work together to negotiate more trade agreements that eliminate barriers and level the playing field. The support is very broad and cuts across all demographic and political lines. There is big support for seeking more trade agreements with additional countries to spur U.S. exports and grow manufacturing. The majority of likely voters, regardless of their political affiliation and ideology, are more likely to vote for a candidate who supports such trade agreements.

- **80%** believe that Congress and the President should work together so that America can negotiate and put in place trade agreements that eliminate barriers and level the playing field. This overwhelming sentiment cuts across all demographic and political lines: Republicans (85%), Democrats (80%), Independents (76%), liberals (81%), moderates (77%) and conservatives (84%).
- **72%** support America seeking trade agreements with other countries that eliminate unfair trade barriers, open foreign markets and create a fair and level playing field for goods manufactured in the United States. The support is strong regardless of party affiliation and ideology: Republicans (77%), Democrats (70%), Independents (70%), liberals (72%), moderates (70%) and conservatives (75%).
- **76%** support America seeking more trade agreements with additional countries to spur U.S. exports and grow manufacturing. More than three-quarters of Republicans (80%), Democrats (78%), liberals (79%) and conservatives (77%) and 7 in 10 Independents (70%) and moderates (73%) support expanding trade agreements to increase exports and manufacturing.
- **61%** are more likely to vote for a candidate for Congress who supports such free trade agreements. The majority of Republicans (68%), Democrats (60%), Independents (55%), liberals (66%), moderates (56%), and conservatives (61%) are all more likely to vote for such a candidate who supports such free trade agreements.

Methodology: This national survey of 1,000 likely 2014 general election voters was conducted from February 6th to 11th, 2014. 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 general election. This poll of 1,000 likely general election voters has an accuracy of +/- 3.1% at a 95% confidence interval.

Do you support America seeking trade agreements with other countries that eliminate unfair trade barriers, open foreign markets and create a fair and level playing field for goods manufactured in the United States?

1. Yes.....72%
2. No.....9%
3. Don't Know.....19%

Nearly half of U.S. manufactured goods are exported to the 20 countries with which the United States has free trade agreements. Do you support America seeking more trade agreements with additional countries to spur U.S. exports and grow manufacturing?

1. Yes.....76%
2. No.....11%
3. Don't Know.....13%

Would you be more likely or less likely to vote for a candidate for Congress who supports such free trade agreements?

1. More Likely.....61%
2. Less Likely.....10%
3. No Difference...18%
4. Don't Know.....12%

The President has Constitutional authority to negotiate international agreements and Congress has Constitutional authority to regulate trade with foreign nations. Do you believe that Congress and the President should work together so that America can negotiate and put in place trade agreements that eliminate barriers and level the playing field?

1. Yes.....80%
2. No.....6%
3. Don't Know.....14%