



## [U.S. Public Opinion Reveals That the Majority of Americans Disapprove of the Trump Administration's Military Actions in Iran](#)

A new national survey conducted in March 2026 finds that a majority of Americans disapprove of the U.S. military campaign against Iran, signaling a difficult political environment for the conflict as it continues. The findings show that there is consistent skepticism not only toward the decision to use force, but also toward how the war is being handled and its potential long-term consequences.

One of the most significant takeaways from the survey is the level of disapproval toward President Donald Trump's handling of the conflict. About 61% of Americans disapprove, compared to a mere 37% who approve, demonstrating a clear gap in public sentiment. Closely tied to this is public opinion on the initial decision to use military force. The data shows a similar split, with 59% of Americans saying the decision to strike Iran was wrong, while only 38% say it was the right decision. This suggests that opposition is not simply limited to how the conflict is being managed but also includes the absence of legitimate justification for entering the war in the first place. Public views on how the conflict is unfolding further reinforce this skepticism. By nearly a two to one margin, more Americans say the war is not going well than say it is going well. Specifically, 45% say the military action is not going well, compared to 25% who say it is going extremely or very well.

Among Democrats and Democratic-leaning independents, opposition is overwhelming. Nine in ten disapprove of Trump's handling of the conflict, and 88% say the decision to strike Iran was wrong. These numbers reflect a near consensus within the Democratic Coalition. Republicans, by contrast, are more supportive, but not uniformly so. About 69% approve of Trump's handling of the conflict, and 71% say the decision to use force was correct. However, this still leaves a notable share of Republicans who either disagree or remain uncertain. Divisions are even more visible among Republican-leaning independents, where opinion is nearly split, with 52% approving and 45% disapproving of Trump's handling of the war.

Another key area of concern involves expectations about the length of the conflict. A majority of Americans believe the war will continue for an extended period. About 54% say the military action will last at least six more months, including 29% who think it will last a year or more. Only a small share expects a quick resolution, with just 8% saying it will end in less than a

month. These expectations vary by party. Most Republicans believe the conflict will end within six months, while a strong majority of Democrats expect it to last longer, including a significant share who believe it will extend beyond a year.

Lastly, Americans are far more likely to believe the conflict will make the United States less safe rather than more secure. About 40% say the war will make the U.S. less safe, compared to 22% who say it will make the country safer. Others believe it will make little difference or remain unsure. Views on global safety are more divided, but still lean negative, as 33% say that the war will make the world less safe, while 27% say it will make it safer – with the remainder split between no expected change and uncertainty.

From these findings, it is clear that a majority of Americans oppose the war, disapprove of how it is being handled, and express concern about its direction and consequences. The results suggest that the administration is operating without public support, a dynamic that could become increasingly significant as the conflict develops further.