Trump approval sinks steadily

President Trump is running out of time to lift his dismal approval ratings before the midterm elections, as polls show voters still rate his handling of the economy poorly



PRESIDENT TRUMP JOB APPROVAL RATING *(average of all polls)*

Executive orders are being issued

Apr 2: Trump announces "Liberation Day" tariffs

Jan 3: U.S. strikes Venezuela, captures Maduro

Jan 7, 24: ICE, Border Patrol agents fatally shoot two U.S. citizens in Minneapolis

Oct 1-Nov 12 U.S. government shuts down for 43 days, longest ever

Feb 28: U.S., Israel launch war on Iran

Mar 31: Gas tops $4 for first time since 2022

JAN 21, 2025 **51.6%**

OCT 20, 2026 **60.2%**

40.0%

37.1%

Approve

Disapprove

70 60 50 40 30

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2025 **2026**

NET APPROVAL RATING *(also known as "spread" – difference between approve and disapprove ratings)*

15 10 5 0 -5 -10 -15 -20 -25

-23.1%

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