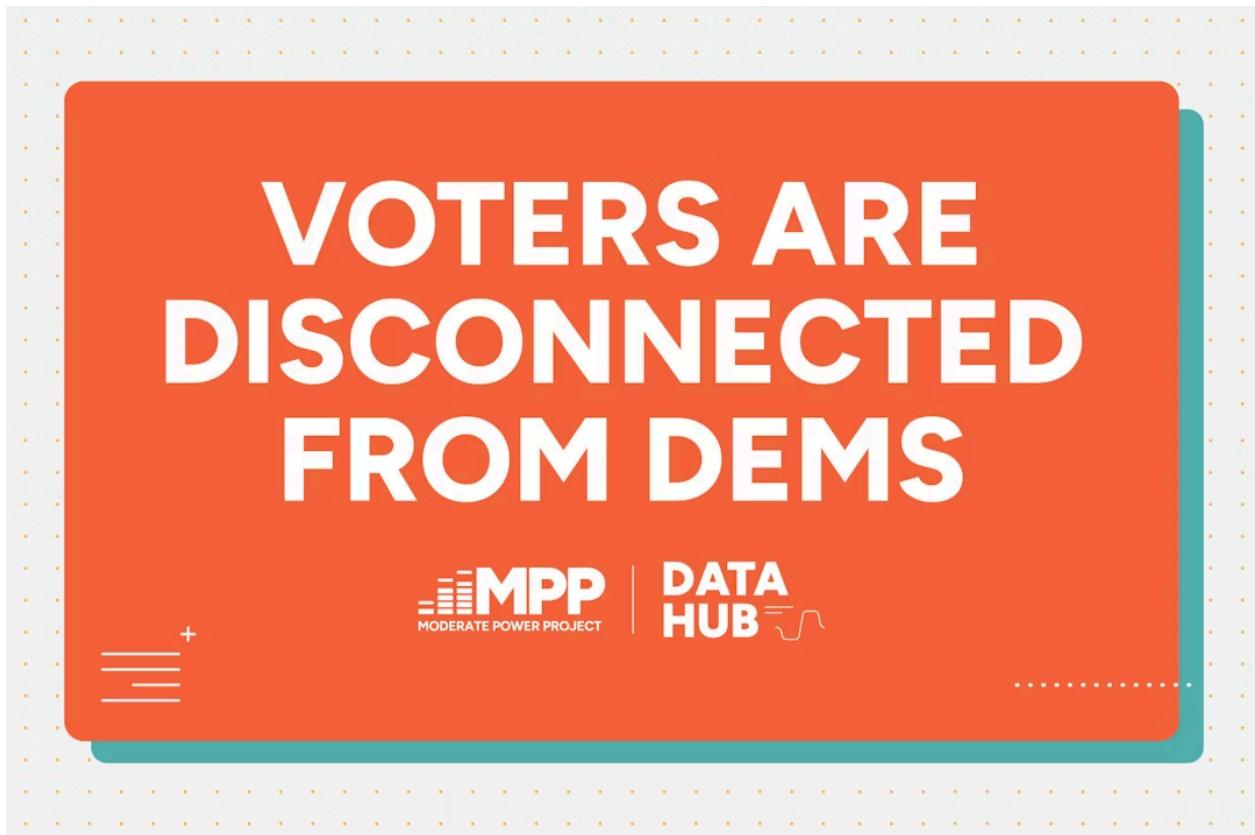


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Voters Are Disconnected From Democrats



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Voters Believe Democrats' Priorities Are Disconnected from Their Own

Voters say Democrats are most focused on abortion, LGBTQ rights, and climate change, while the issues that people cited as most important to them personally were the economy and inflation, health care, and immigration. – [New York Times/Ipsos](#)

What Americans Said Were the Most Important Issues for Each Group

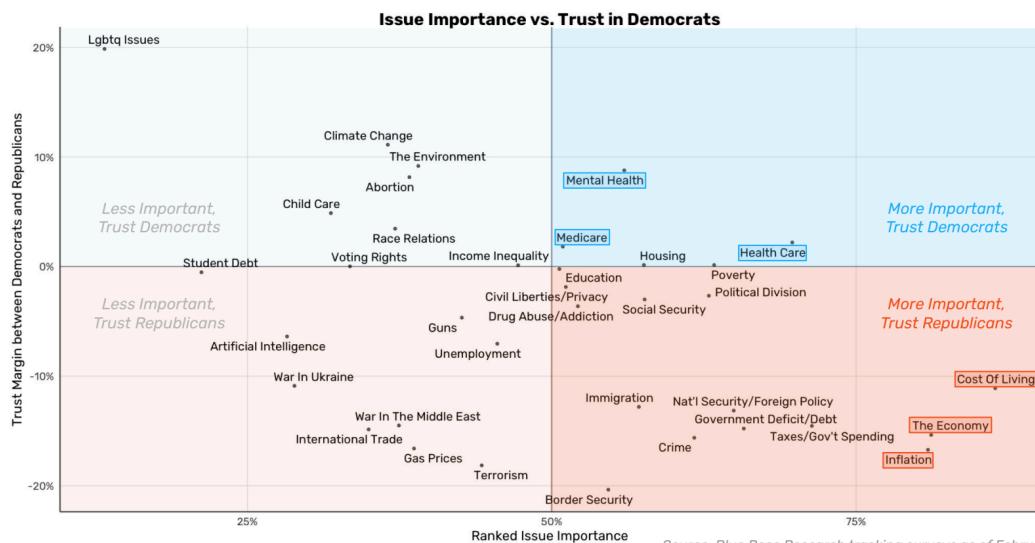
Themselves personally	Democratic Party	Republican Party
The economy	Abortion	Immigration
Health care	L.G.B.T. policy	The economy
Immigration	Climate change	Taxes
Taxes	The state of democracy	Guns
Crime	Health care	Abortion

Top five issues shown. • Based on a poll by The New York Times and Ipsos of 2,128 U.S. adults conducted from Jan. 2 to 10, which asked about 23 issues in total. • By The New York Times

Voters Don't Trust Democrats to Handle Their Most Important Issues—the Cost of Living, the Economy, and Inflation

Republicans are more trusted to handle economic issues and immigration, while Democrats are most trusted to handle health care. – [Blue Rose Research](#)

Voters trust Republicans more than Democrats by huge margins on the issues they say are the most important



Source: Blue Rose Research tracking surveys as of February 2025

Working-Class Voters Believe Democrats Are Out of Touch, Weak, and Not on Their Side

Working-class voters gave the Republican Party an enormous advantage when asked which political party is more in touch (GOP+18), on their side (GOP+14), strong (GOP+31), patriotic (GOP+22), and competent (GOP+18). – [PPI](#); [Third Way](#)

Table 3: Working-Class Impressions of the Political Parties (%)

	Democratic Party	Republican Party
Competent	38	56
In touch	34	52
On my side	36	50
Patriotic	40	62
Strong	32	63

Source: YouGov/PPI Working-Class Voters survey, Nov. 11–15, 2024.