

TO: Interested Parties
FROM: Plymouth Union Public Research
SUBJECT: National Voter Perspectives on the US Government
Acquiring a Stake in US Companies
DATE: August 25, 2025

METHODOLOGY

This survey was conducted on August 22, among a nationally representative sample of n=600 likely voters. Respondents were recruited through a validated online panel and screened to ensure they identified a high likelihood of voting in upcoming elections. The survey was administered online, and the data were weighted to reflect the demographic composition of recent midterm electorates by age, gender, and region.

KEY FINDINGS

Following the news that the United States Government is taking ownership of 10 percent of Intel, we asked voters their opinion on this development as well as the possibility of the Government taking ownership in foreign companies that do business in America. The results demonstrate a clear and bipartisan level of support for the administration's recent action and efforts to level the playing field with China.

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2. CLOSE TO $\frac{3}{4}$ ths OF VOTERS WANT TO LEVEL THE PLAYING FIELD WITH CHINA

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