

The vast majority correctly predicted it was **LIKELY** there would be a government shutdown this year

How likely or unlikely do you believe it is that there will be a government shutdown this year?

	TOTAL	DEM	GOP
LIKELY (NET)	79%	85%	74%
NEITHER/I DON'T KNOW	6%	2%	11%
UNLIKELY (NET)	14%	13%	16%



Most senior staffers believe Republicans are MORE responsible for the shutdown

If there is a government shutdown, which party do you believe would be MORE responsible?



	TOTAL	DEM	GOP
The Republican Party	58%	93%	25%
The Democratic Party	42%	7%	75%

Most believe Schumer/Jeffries' messaging on the shutdown is **INEFFECTIVE**, while they are split by party on Thune & Johnson's

How effective or ineffective is Sen. Schumer and Rep. Jeffries' current messaging around the government shutdown debate?

	TOTAL	DEM	GOP
EFFECTIVE (NET)	13%	19%	6%
NEITHER/I DON'T KNOW	12%	19%	5%
INEFFECTIVE (NET)	76%	62%	89%

How effective or ineffective is Sen. Thune and Rep. Johnson's current messaging around a potential government shutdown?

	TOTAL	DEM	GOP
EFFECTIVE (NET)	31%	12%	49%
NEITHER/I DON'T KNOW	29%	31%	26%
INEFFECTIVE (NET)	40%	57%	25%