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 2022 Survey of U.S. Presidents
 Presidents Rank Over Time

President	Year	1. Background (Family, Education, Experience)	2. Party Leadership	3. Communication Ability (Speak, Write)	4. Relationship with Congress	5. Court Appointments	6. Handling of U.S. Economy	7. Luck	8. Ability to Compromise	9. Willing to take Risks	10. Executive Appointments	11. Overall Ability	12. Imagination	13. Domestic Accomplishments	14. Integrity	15. Executive Ability	16. Foreign Policy Accomplishments	17. Leadership Ability	18. Intelligence	19. Avoid Crucial Mistakes	20. Present Overall View	OVERALL RANK
Andrew Johnson	2022	44	45	45	45	45	44	42	45	39	44	44	44	44	42	45	43	45	44	44	43	45
	2018	42	44	44	43	44	43	40	43	34	42	42	42	43	41	43	41	43	42	43	42	44
	2010	42	43	43	43	43	37	39	43	34	42	41	41	42	37	41	38	42	41	42	42	43
	2002	42	42	42	42	42	36	40	42	27	39	40	39	41	32	40	36	41	41	41	40	42
	1994	41	41	40	41	38	32	40	41	19	37	38	34	39	22	39	30	40	39	40	39	40
	1990	40	40	40	40	40	33	39	40	18	35	36	34	39	20	37	28	39	36	39	36	39
	1982	38	39	39	39	38	26	38	39	15	35	37	35	39	19	37	20	38	34	38	36	38

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Presidents Rank by Category

President	OVERALL RANK	ATTRIBUTES						ABILITIES					ACCOMPLISHMENTS							Present Overall View
		Background (Family, Education, Experience)	Imagination	Integrity	Intelligence	Luck	Willing to take Risks	Ability to Compromise	Executive Ability	Leadership Ability	Communication Ability (Speak, Write)	Overall Ability	Party Leadership	Relationship with Congress	Court Appointments	Handling of U.S. Economy	Executive Appointments	Domestic Accomplishments	Foreign Policy Accomplishments	
Franklin Roosevelt	1	1	2	14	10	6	2	2	2	1	2	2	1	2	2	1	2	1	4	2
Abraham Lincoln	2	29	1	1	1	21	1	1	1	2	1	1	2	4	3	2	3	1	4	2
George Washington	3	6	6	3	12	1	5	3	3	3	11	3	18	3	1	4	1	4	2	1
Theodore Roosevelt	4	3	3	10	6	2	3	18	4	4	4	4	7	7	6	3	5	5	5	5
Thomas Jefferson	5	7	4	20	2	5	8	14	7	6	5	5	4	5	11	20	7	6	10	8
Dwight Eisenhower	6	11	20	4	16	4	18	5	5	5	18	7	9	6	5	6	12	7	7	3
Harry Truman	7	28	13	8	19	11	9	13	8	8	14	10	12	15	12	7	9	8	3	7
Lyndon Johnson	8	16	10	31	18	18	6	6	6	9	16	6	3	1	4	8	6	3	39	35
John Kennedy	9	12	5	27	12	27	10	8	14	7	3	12	16	12	13	9	4	14	12	15
James Madison	10	4	7	9	3	13	15	11	12	18	8	9	10	10	14	19	11	13	20	11
Barack Obama	11	18	7	6	7	14	21	10	11	15	6	8	19	27	9	10	8	10	19	9
James Monroe	12	13	15	16	21	8	14	7	13	14	15	16	17	9	15	12	13	9	6	6
Woodrow Wilson	13	9	9	21	8	15	11	37	9	17	10	13	8	13	16	11	15	11	13	30
Bill Clinton	14	19	12	40	9	10	17	4	16	16	9	11	13	18	7	5	14	12	18	33
James Polk	15	26	14	28	23	9	7	22	10	12	17	14	14	11	32	18	21	15	9	10
John Adams	16	5	16	5	4	26	20	35	23	23	12	15	31	33	8	15	17	18	17	20
John Q. Adams	17	2	11	7	5	25	19	28	24	21	13	17	29	35	17	13	18	20	15	13
Ronald Reagan	18	36	18	24	35	3	13	17	19	10	7	21	6	8	21	21	28	21	16	17
Joseph Biden	19	15	22	12	27	34	24	9	21	25	30	23	25	31	10	14	10	19	21	16
George H.W. Bush	20	8	27	17	22	24	27	12	17	22	28	19	24	17	36	26	20	27	8	12
Ulysses Grant	21	31	23	18	24	19	16	16	22	13	19	20	22	16	20	23	38	17	22	31
William McKinley	22	23	26	26	28	33	25	26	15	19	22	18	11	14	24	16	19	23	11	14
Andrew Jackson	23	38	17	37	32	6	4	41	18	11	20	22	5	21	35	30	26	22	29	27
Jimmy Carter	24	21	19	2	11	40	26	24	31	29	24	26	37	37	18	34	16	25	23	32
William Taft	25	10	30	11	14	30	38	19	27	33	25	28	34	24	19	17	25	24	28	26
Grover Cleveland	26	34	28	23	26	22	29	27	20	20	23	27	20	23	25	32	23	26	24	24
James Garfield	27	25	25	22	20	41	30	25	26	24	21	24	26	19	31	24	29	29	30	21
Richard Nixon	28	17	21	44	17	36	12	21	25	27	26	25	23	32	26	22	30	16	14	41
Martin Van Buren	29	22	24	30	25	37	28	20	29	26	27	29	15	30	27	36	27	30	25	25
Gerald Ford	30	24	33	13	30	32	32	15	30	30	35	30	28	20	23	38	22	33	26	29
Rutherford Hayes	31	29	31	32	29	20	37	23	32	32	31	31	30	26	22	28	23	32	33	19
Calvin Coolidge	32	33	40	19	31	12	42	30	33	38	41	35	27	25	29	25	35	38	36	18
Chester Arthur	33	39	34	36	37	16	34	29	34	36	34	36	35	28	32	27	33	28	34	22
Benjamin Harrison	34	27	32	33	33	29	35	33	36	34	32	34	36	29	28	33	31	35	32	28
George W. Bush	35	20	35	34	41	23	22	32	37	35	37	37	21	22	34	39	37	34	41	38
Zachary Taylor	36	40	29	25	38	38	30	33	35	28	39	33	39	36	37	29	34	31	35	23
Herbert Hoover	37	14	36	15	15	44	44	40	28	37	29	32	33	38	30	45	32	42	31	42
Millard Fillmore	38	42	38	35	39	28	36	31	39	39	38	39	41	39	39	31	36	37	37	34
John Tyler	39	35	37	39	36	31	33	42	40	40	33	40	43	43	40	37	39	36	27	36
William Harrison	40	32	39	29	34	45	40	38	38	31	36	38	38	41	42	42	41	41	42	37
Franklin Pierce	41	41	41	38	40	39	41	39	41	41	40	41	42	40	41	40	40	40	38	39
Warren Harding	42	43	42	43	43	35	43	36	42	42	42	42	40	34	38	35	43	39	40	40
Donald Trump	43	45	43	45	45	17	23	44	44	43	43	43	32	42	43	41	45	43	45	43
James Buchanan	44	37	45	41	42	43	45	43	43	44	44	45	44	44	44	43	42	45	44	45
Andrew Johnson	45	44	44	42	44	42	39	45	45	45	45	44	45	45	45	44	44	44	43	44

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Has the office of President of the United States become too powerful, or not?	
Yes	No
44%	35%

Which President has done the most to expand the powers of the Presidency?	
Franklin Roosevelt	48%
Abraham Lincoln	7%
Donald Trump	5%
Andrew Jackson	4%
Lyndon Johnson	2%
George Washington	2%
Woodrow Wilson	2%
Barack Obama	1%
George W. Bush	1%
Dwight Eisenhower	1%
Richard Nixon	1%
Theodore Roosevelt	1%

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Which President contributed most to weakening the office of the Presidency?	
Donald Trump	33%
James Buchanan	9%
Richard Nixon	9%
Andrew Johnson	7%
Calvin Coolidge	2%
Gerald Ford	1%
John Tyler	1%
George W. Bush	1%
Jimmy Carter	1%
Warren Harding	1%
William Harrison	1%
Rutherford Hayes	1%
Herbert Hoover	1%
Andrew Jackson	1%
Lyndon Johnson	1%
Franklin Pierce	1%
George Washington	1%
Woodrow Wilson	1%

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Do you think the framers of the constitution would say that our system of checks and balances is working:	
Very well	2%
Somewhat well	26%
Not very well	42%
Not at all well	9%

How good of a job do you think each of the three branches of government is doing to fulfill its duties as outlined in our Constitution?				
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
The Executive Branch	4%	35%	29%	10%
The Legislative Branch	0%	8%	26%	43%
The Judicial Branch	4%	23%	24%	27%

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Given a choice do you think we should continue to elect our president through the Electoral College as we do today, or would you argue in favor of electing the President by a national popular vote?

Electoral College	Popular Vote
17%	63%

If another President were added to Mount Rushmore, which one do you think it should be?

Franklin Roosevelt	41%
Barack Obama	11%
Ronald Reagan	7%
Dwight Eisenhower	4%
Ulysses Grant	1%
Harry Truman	1%
John Adams	1%
Jimmy Carter	1%
Lyndon Johnson	1%
John Kennedy	1%
Abraham Lincoln	1%
Theodore Roosevelt	1%
Donald Trump	1%
Woodrow Wilson	1%

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Looking forward from today through the year 2032, that is through the election of 2032, how likely do you think it is that:					
	Very likely	Somewhat likely	Not too likely	Not at all likely	Don't know/Refused
Each time one party has a majority in the House of Representatives while the other party controls the White House, the House will impeach the President.	5%	32%	40%	3%	20%
The United States will continue to be a democratic republic.	30%	45%	4%	1%	20%
A woman will be elected President.	26%	43%	8%	4%	20%
We will have another BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, Person of Color) President.	12%	47%	18%	3%	20%
A person with a sexual orientation other than heterosexual will be elected President.	1%	24%	41%	13%	21%
Only cisgender persons will be elected President.	45%	23%	3%	5%	25%