

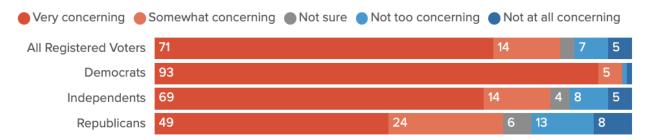
NATIONAL SURVEY: Intense Concern Over Justice Clarence Thomas Ethics Violations; Half of Republicans Concerned Over Undisclosed Gifts, Majority of U.S. Voters Say Thomas Should Resign

A new poll from Change Research of 3,197 registered voters nationwide, conducted May 22-31, 2023¹, explores voter opinions on ethics violations in the wake of new revelations about Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas.

Intense concern over undisclosed gifts to Supreme Court justices

The vast majority (85%) of registered voters say it's somewhat or very concerning if a Supreme Court justice were to accept and not disclose extravagant and expensive personal gifts from a political donor, including 71% who say this type of situation is *very* concerning. Three-quarters (76%) of voters think such gifts would affect justices' decisions on cases.

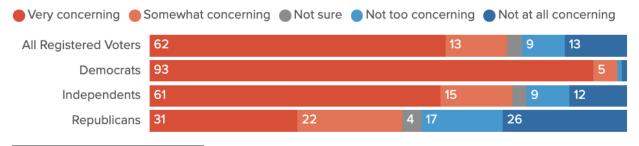
If a Supreme Court justice were to accept and not disclose extravagant and expensive personal gifts from a political donor, is this:



Three in four voters-including half of Republicans-are concerned about Thomas's ethics violations

When asked about the situation involving undisclosed gifts from Harlan Crow to Justice Thomas, three in four (76%) say this specific situation is somewhat or very concerning, including half (53%) of Republicans. Roughly two in three voters (64%) think these gifts affected Thomas's decisions on Supreme Court cases.

For decades, Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas accepted luxury gifts—trips on yachts and private jets, stays in exclusive resorts—from real estate magnate and Republican megadonor Harlan Crow. Mr. Crow also bought the residence of Justice Thomas's mother and paid to upgrade it, and paid for Justice Thomas's grandnephew's private boarding school tuition. Justice Thomas did not disclose these transactions, which violates the Ethics in Government Act. How concerning is this to you?



¹ Using its Dynamic Online Sampling Engine to obtain a sample reflective of registered voters in the U.S., Change Research polled 3,197 people nationwide from May 22-31, 2023. The margin of error is 3.7%. Post-stratification was performed on age, gender, race/ethnicity, education, region, and 2020 presidential vote. Weighting parameters were based on the voter file. See full toplines and methodological details here.

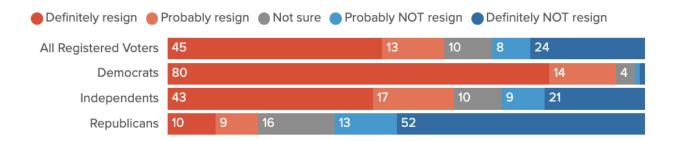


The 9% decline in voters' concern about the general situation of justices accepting and not disclosing gifts (85% concerned) and the specific situation involving Harlan Crow and Justice Thomas (76% concerned) is driven by Republicans and Republican-leaning Independents. Democrats' concern stays constant at 98% in both the general and specific contexts.

Voters believe Justice Thomas should resign or be impeached

Finally, a majority of (58%) of U.S. voters believe that Justice Clarence Thomas should resign from the Supreme Court, including 45% saying that he should *definitely* resign. Only one-third (32%) say he should not resign.

Do you think Justice Clarence Thomas should _____ from the Supreme Court?



Similarly, a majority of (56%) of U.S. voters believe that should he not resign, Justice Clarence Thomas should be impeached from the Supreme Court, while only one-third (34%) say he should not be impeached.

Do you think Justice Clarence Thomas should ______ from the Supreme Court?

