## NEW POLLING: Overwhelming support for a "DOGE Dividend" to be paid out to American taxpayers

- 7 in 10 Americans support a "DOGE Dividend." There is strong cross-party support for a proposal to send tax-paying Americans a refund check funded exclusively with a portion of the savings from eliminating waste, fraud, and abuse in federal government spending.
- 7 in 10 Americans say that politicians in DC have spent their tax dollars unwisely.
  - This includes 6 in 10 (60%) Democrats and 8 in 10 (79%) Republicans.
- Americans feel 'happy', 'relieved' and 'excited' about the prospect of receiving a "DOGE Dividend" check.
  - Amongst Democrats, 6 in 10 (58%) support the dividend
- Most Americans (62%) say that the check would make them more likely to report government waste, fraud, and abuse.
- More than half (56%) of Americans say receiving a check would increase their trust in the government of the United States.
- There is strong opposition to American tax dollars being spent on wasteful overseas projects including, for example, the production of Sesame Street in Iraq; 6 in 10 Americans oppose this while only 17% support it.
  - o 6 in 10 Americans oppose the use of American tax dollars to fund a transgender opera in the South American country of Colombia while only 17% support it.
  - 6 in 10 Americans oppose the use of American tax dollars to fund the purchase of electric vehicles in Vietnam while only 14% support it.
- **J.L. Partners, Washington D.C., February 26, 2025:** A new poll of American voters shows that there is overwhelming cross-party support for a "DOGE dividend," a proposal supported by President Donald Trump to send tax-paying Americans a refund check funded exclusively with a portion of the savings from eliminating waste, fraud, and abuse in federal government spending.

7 in 10 (67%) Americans support the dividend with almost half (46%) strongly supporting the idea. This includes 6 in 10 Democrats (58%) and Independents (61%) as well as 8 in 10 (83%) Republicans.

7 in 10 Americans say that politicians in DC have spent their tax dollars unwisely. They are also overwhelmingly opposed to American tax dollars being used to fund the production of Sesame Street in Iraq or a transgender opera in the South American country of Colombia. Opposition to these taxpayer dollar funded schemes is seen across all demographics including Republican, Independent and Democrat.

## Scarlett Maguire, Director of J.L. Partners, said:

"There is clear, cross-party support for the DOGE Dividend, with even Democrats strongly in favour of the idea. Americans believe that it would make citizens more likely to report first-hand examples of government waste and fraud."

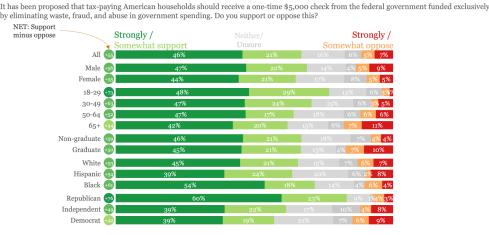
## **Methodology:**

J.L. Partners polled a nationally representative sample of 1,001 registered voters. The sample was quota-ed and weighted to ensure representative data on region, 2024 presidential vote, partisan ID, age, gender, ethnicity, and education. Respondents were contacted using online panel methodology. Fieldwork occurred between February 24 - 25, 2025. There is a 3.1% margin of error.

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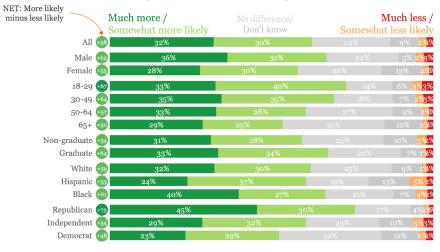
**Figure 2**: How would receiving a one-time \$5,000 check from the federal government funded exclusively by eliminating waste, fraud, and abuse in government spending, make you feel in one word?

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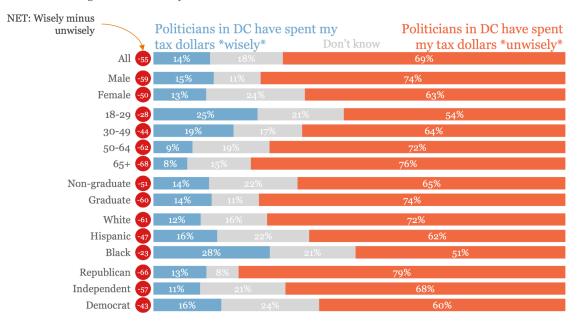
**Figure 3:** Even Democrats think that the check would make Americans more likely to report examples of government waste, fraud, and abuse

Do you believe that Americans would be more or less likely to report first-hand examples of government waste, fraud and abuse if the tax refund check they were to receive would be even larger since there would be more savings from the waste, fraud, and abuse eliminated



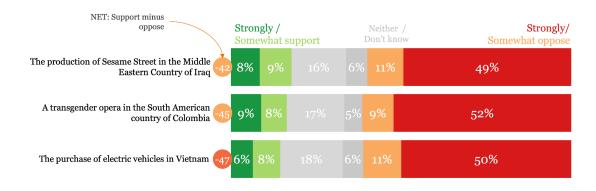
**Figure 4:** 7 in 10 Americans say politicians have spent their tax dollars unwisely, including 6 in 10 Democrats

Which of the following comes closest to your view?



**Figure 5:** Half of Americans are strongly opposed to American tax dollars being used for those specific cases

Do you  $\,$  support or oppose American tax dollars being used to fund the following?



**Figure 6:** There is strong opposition, including amongst Democrats, to American tax dollars being used to fund the production of Sesame Street in Iraq

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	AII	Male Female 18-29 30-49 50-64 65+				Non-graduate White Hisbanic Black					Rep	Republican Democrat			
The production of Sesame Street in the Middle Eastern Country of Iraq	-42	-40	-44	-9	-19	-57	-60	-45	-38	-53	-16	-11	-58	-47	-24
A transgender opera in the South American country of Colombia	-45	-45	-45	+4	-22	-56	-77	-45	-46	-58	-18	+0	-59	-53	-27
The purchase of electric vehicles in Vietnam	-47	-46	-47	-8	-23	-57	-74	-50	-41	-58	-29	-4	-59	-52	-31
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