



City of Seattle Public Safety Survey

August 2026

Methodology

- ▶ Online survey (email and text to web) of registered voters in the City of Seattle
- ▶ 500 completed interviews; Margin of Error ± 4.4 points
- ▶ Conducted August 10-13, 2026
- ▶ Data weighted by key demographics to reflect the actual registered voter population in Seattle

Key Demographics

Nearly three-quarters (73%) of Seattle voters self-identify as left-of-center (Democrat or Socialist) and only 10% identify as Republican.

Gender	
Male	47%
Female	51%
Non-binary	2%

Age Group	
18-29	14%
30-39	23%
40-49	17%
50-64	23%
65 or over	22%

City Council District	
District 1	18%
District 2	13%
District 3	14%
District 4	12%
District 5	16%
District 6	14%
District 7	12%

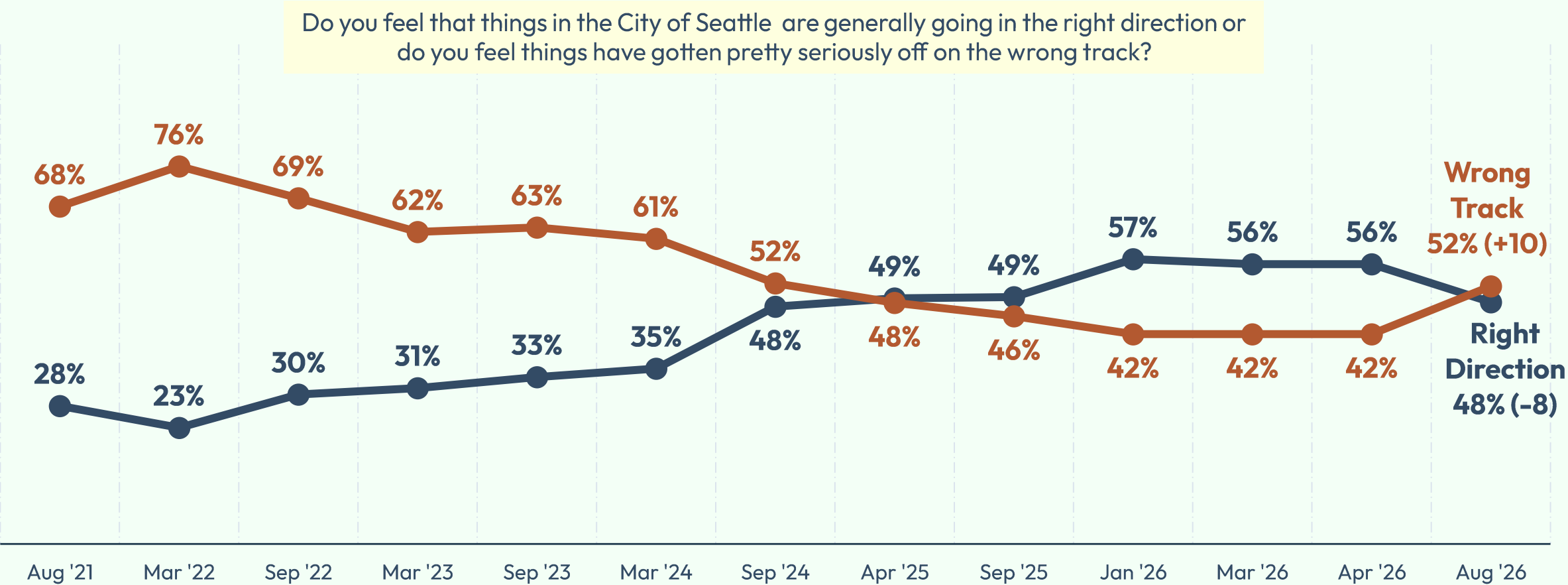
Homeowner/Renter	
Homeowner	52%
Rent/Else	48%

Party	
Democrat	64%
Independent	17%
Republican	10%
Socialist	9%

Education	
Less than college	25%
Graduated college	42%
Graduate/Prof. degree	33%

Voter Mood

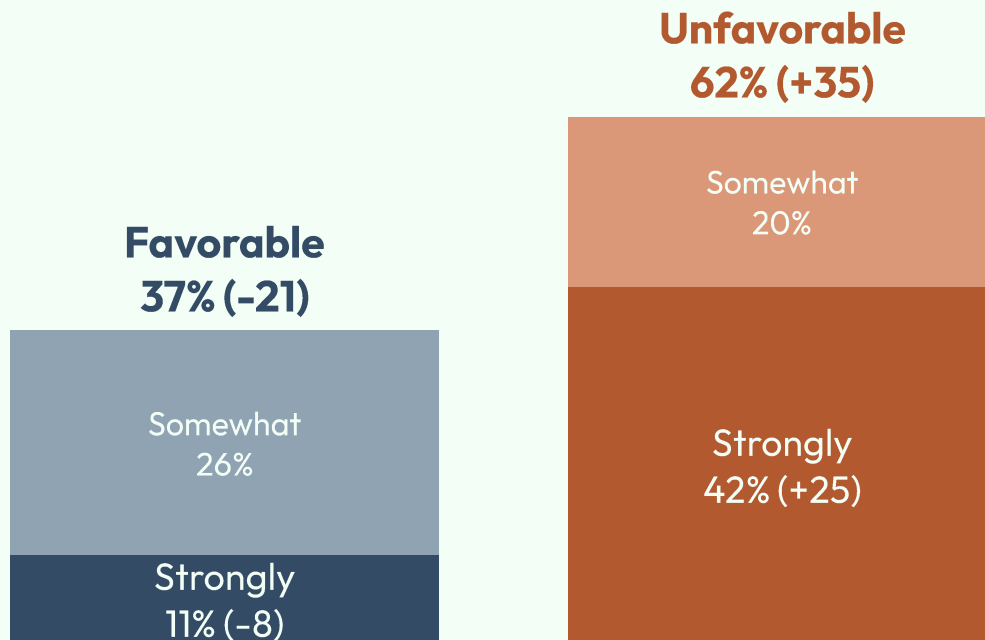
After a period of optimism that started in September of 2024 and peaked this April, Seattle voters have once again become pessimistic about the city’s direction with just over half now saying things in the city are “pretty seriously off on the wrong track.”



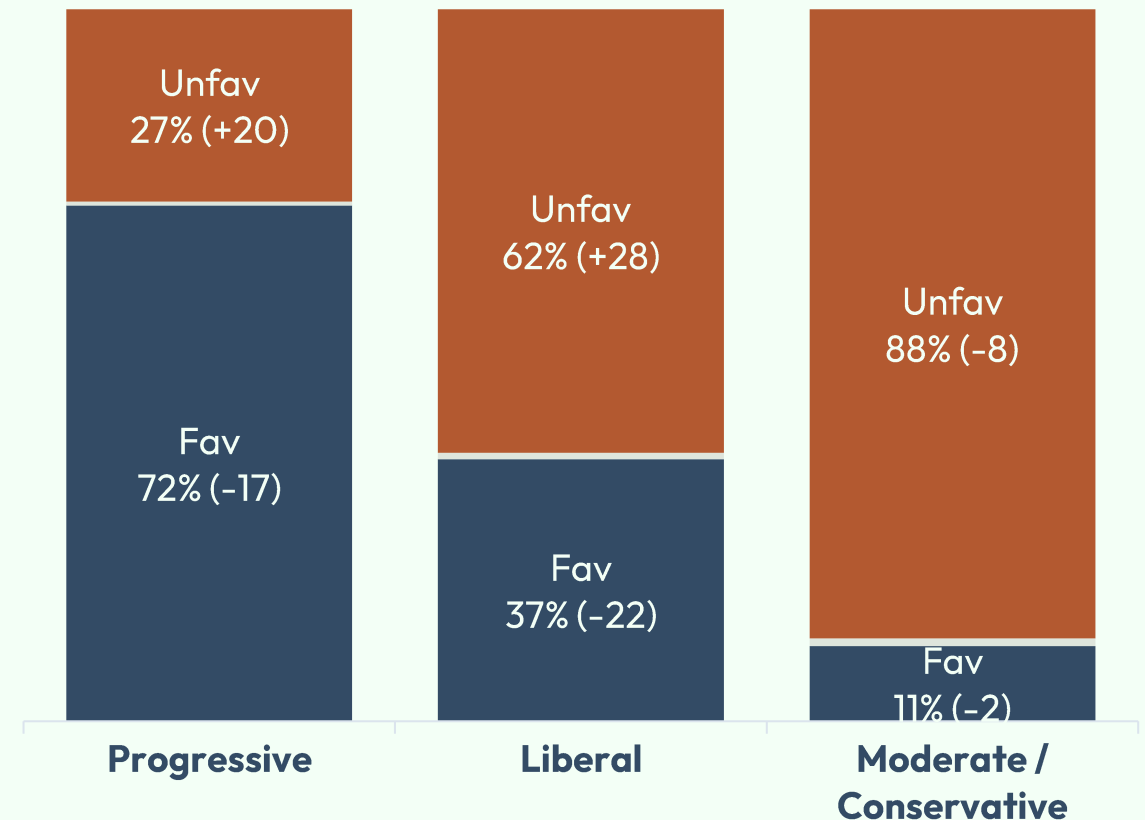
Mayor Wilson

Voter attitudes about Mayor Wilson have become strongly negative since April. Wilson's favorable went from +21 to -25 and strongly unfavorable opinion has jumped from 17% to 42%. Self-identified Progressives are the only group who still have a positive view of the Mayor - but even with these voters Wilson's favorable has gone from +82 in April to +45 now. Liberals are now much closer to Moderates/Conservatives than Progressives in their attitudes about the Mayor.

Wilson Favorable



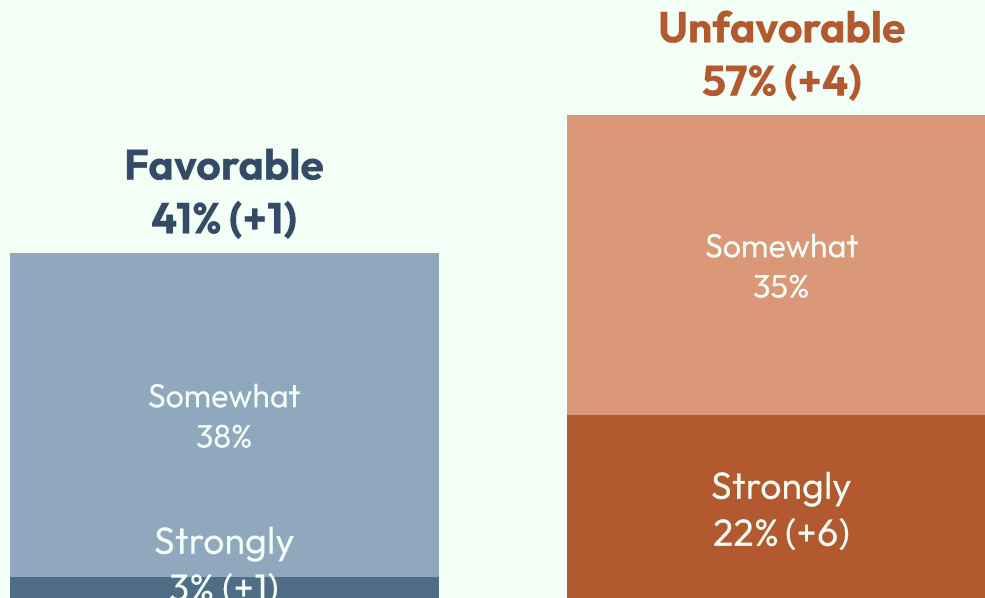
Wilson Favorable by Ideology



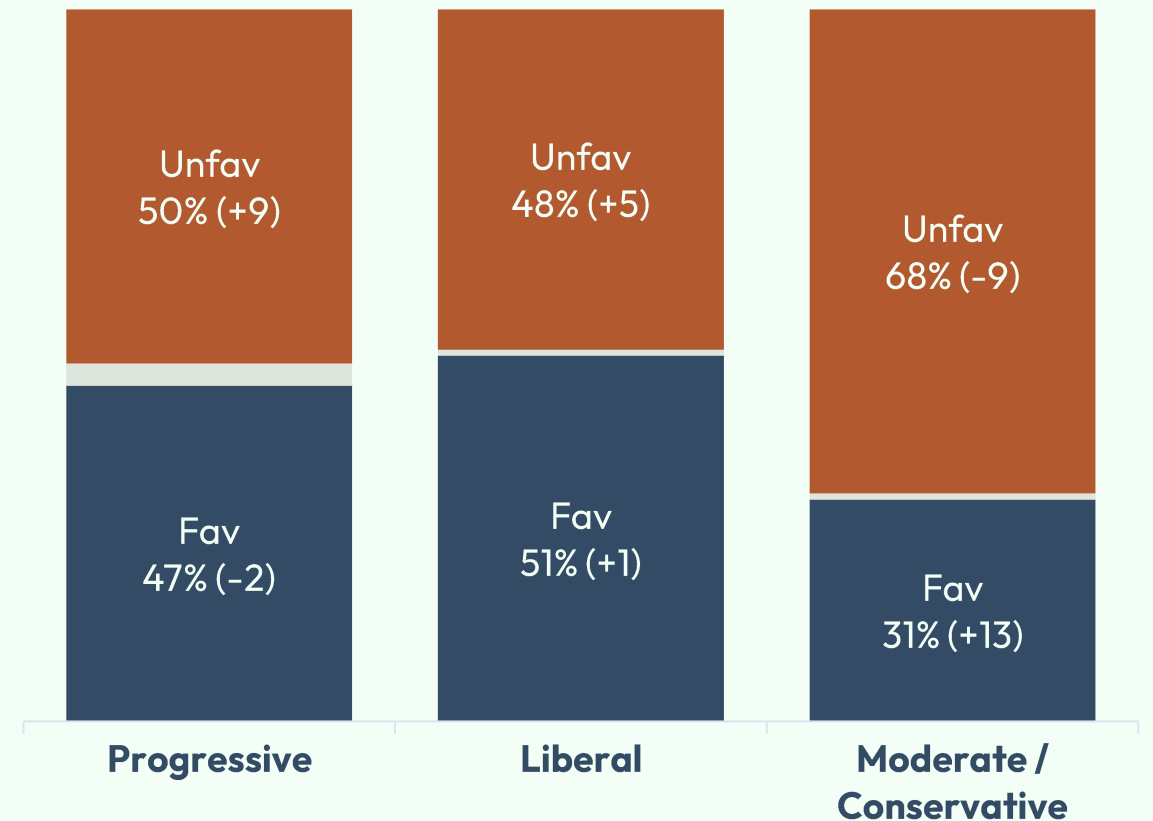
City Council

Voter attitudes about the City Council are relatively stable compared to attitudes about the Mayor. Progressives and Liberals give the Council similar ratings while Moderates/Conservatives are very negative on the Council.

City Council Favorable



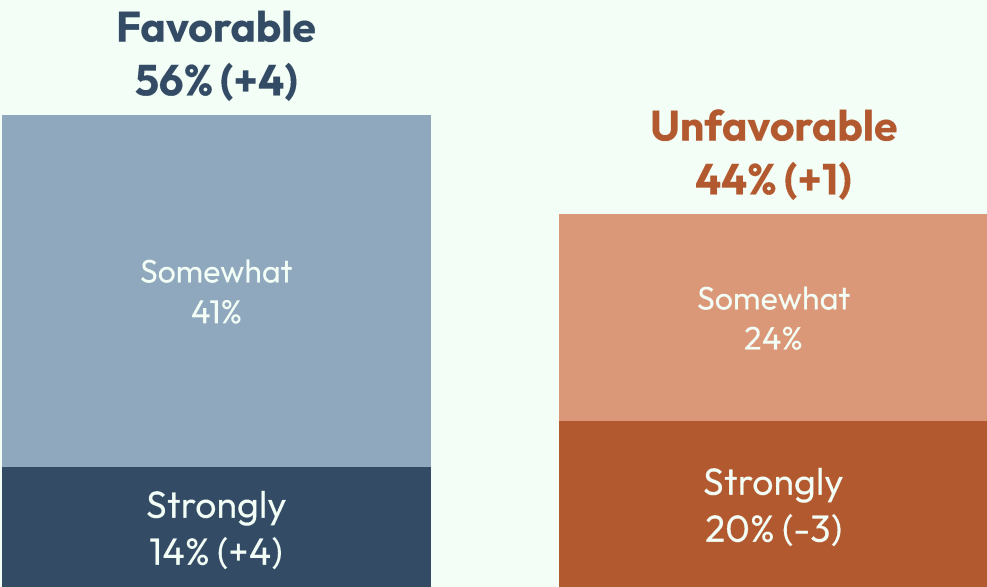
City Council Favorable by Ideology



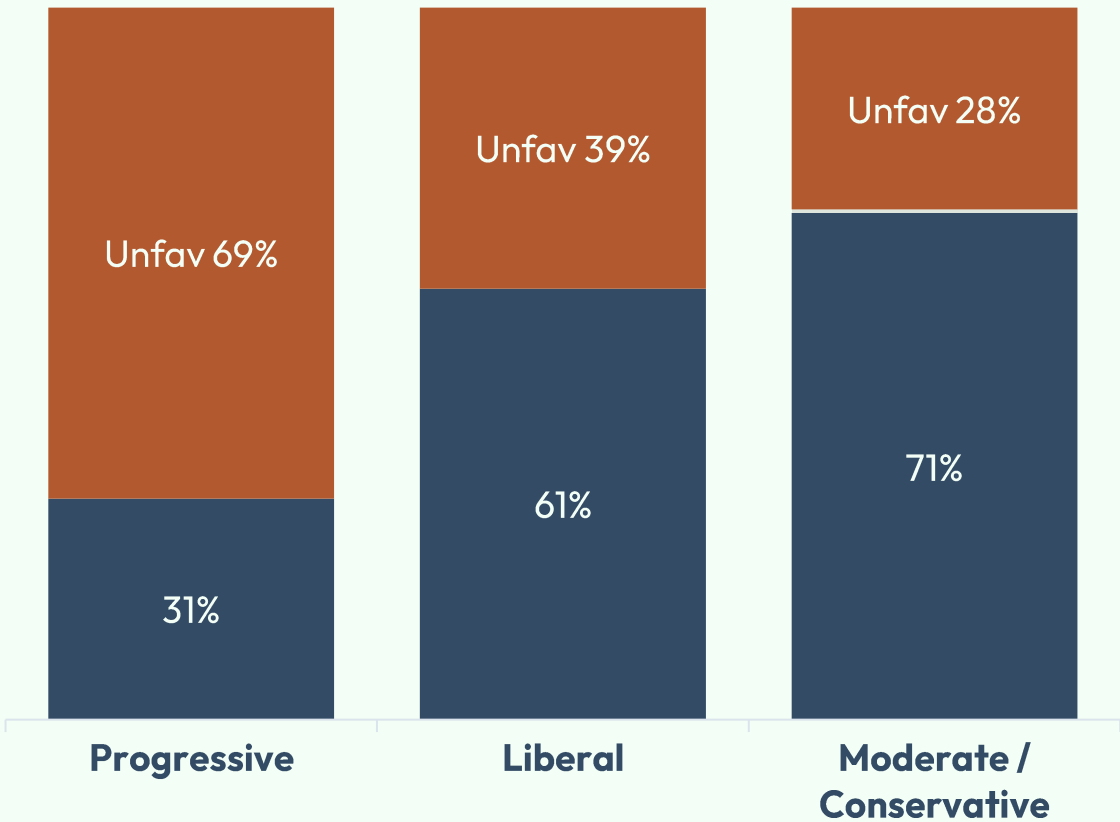
Seattle Police Department

Voter attitudes about the Seattle Police Department are largely unchanged since April . Positive intensity has increased slightly and negative intensity is down slightly. Self-identified Liberals are much closer to Moderates/ Conservatives than to Progressives in their attitudes about SPD.

Seattle Police Department Favorable



Seattle Police Department Favorable by Ideology





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The FSG team brings more than 150 years of combined public opinion research experience to deliver expert strategic guidance to campaigns, corporations, non-profits, and public sector organizations.

FSG Founding Partner Andrew Thibault - the Lead Researcher for this project - has more than 35 years of experience designing, conducting, and analyzing opinion research. Andrew is deeply trusted by the region's civic, business, non-profit, and government leaders because he provides highly accurate data and critical insights and analysis that help clients tackle big challenges.

Andrew was the Lead Researcher on the team that created The Index - an ongoing quality of life study for the Seattle Metro Chamber - which has become the go to public resource for understanding the attitudes, behaviors, and priorities of Seattle voters.

Most recently, Andrew led the research for the Seattle Public Library Levy. That research showed that Seattle voters understand the critical role public libraries play in our current environment as a civic institution that builds community and helps fight censorship and misinformation. The survey correctly predicted that even in this highly cost-sensitive environment, voter support for a significant library levy was quite strong. FSG's poll accurately predicted the exact "yes" vote.