

## Grading Congress info graph

The headline of the graphic reads, “Grading Congress.” Surrounding the headline are two horizontal lines on both sides, one that is solid and one that is made up of dash marks.

The subhead, beneath the headline, reads “Highlights from a recent Indiana University Center on Representative Government survey on public attitudes about Congress and public affairs.

Underneath the subhead shows in an illustration that 1,000 individuals have been surveyed. The highlighted number is surrounded by two horizontal bars on each side, one blue and one red, as well as two vertical lines on each side, one solid and one made up of dashes.

Beneath that statistic is another subhead that reads “THE PUBLIC.”

The next statistic below the subhead is divided between two horizontal lines; one solid and one made up of dashes.

The statistic reads “77% agreed that the American public is about as, or more, polarized than the U.S. Congress. The percentage is also illustrated by a pie chart that is to the right of statistic.

Beneath that is the next subhead that reads “RATED AS VERY IMPORTANT.”

Below the subhead are three statistic, separated from the subhead by two horizontal lines; one solid and one made up of dashes.

The statistics are:

- 54% think “a free and independent press” is important. This is illustrated by a depiction of a newspaper.
- 57% think “checks and balances in the exercise of the power by the Congress, the President, and the Supreme Court” are important. This is illustrated by a scale.
- 30% think “having a Congress with power equal to that of the President” is important. This is illustrated by a depiction of the White House.

Beneath those statistics is another subhead that reads “ALMOST UNANIMOUS.”

The next statistic below the subhead is divided between two horizontal lines, one solid and one made up of dashes.

The statistic reads “93% agreed that polarization is a problem for the functioning of Congress.” The percentage is also illustrated by a pie chart that is to the right of statistic.

The last statistic begins with a subhead that reads “RESPONSIVENESS.”

The last statistic below the subhead is divided between two horizontal lines, one solid and one made up of dashes.

The statistic reads, “75% said ‘not very’ or ‘not at all’ when asked, ‘How responsive do you think Congress is to the concerns of people like you?’” The percentage is also illustrated by a pie chart that is to the right of statistic.

There is an Indiana University logo in the bottom left corner and a URL in the bottom right for readers to find more information. The URL is [corg.indiana.edu](http://corg.indiana.edu).