

Trans-Atlantic Scorecard

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Notes on survey

In order to provide a nuanced evaluation of the state of trans-Atlantic relations now and over time, Brookings's Center on the United States and Europe has launched the Trans-Atlantic Scorecard.

The Center on the United States and Europe polls its own resident and nonresident experts as well as select other scholars quarterly on the state of U.S.-European relations—divided into overall, political, security, and economic relations—as well as on the state of U.S. relations with Germany, France, Britain, Turkey, Russia, and the European Union. Scholars are asked to rate the state of relations on a scale from 1 (poor) to 10 (excellent); indicate whether that state is trending positive, negative, or neutral; and explain their answers in up to 100 words. Scholars are additionally asked to respond to subjective statements about issues in the news on a five-point scale: Strongly Agree, Agree, Neutral, Disagree, and Strongly Disagree.

Scorecards are published in January, April, July, and October each year, including survey results as well as associated “Snapshots” detailing data relevant to trans-Atlantic relations from the previous three calendar months, which are assembled by Center on the United States and Europe research assistants and interns.

For the April 2022 edition of the Scorecard, 20 scholars participated in a poll conducted between April 5 and April 8, 2022. Each scholar was asked all 15 multi-part questions, but question 1 (parts A, B, and C) was the only mandatory question. Ratings were averaged and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point to yield the scores for questions 1 through 10. Written answers were published with light editing for style and clarity.

The survey was developed by Center on the United States and Europe staff and scholars and conducted by Agneska Bloch and Lucy Seavey.

Questions to scholars

U.S.-European relations overall

- 1A. Assess the present state of U.S.-European relations overall. *(Scale from 1=Poor to 10=Excellent)*
- 1B. Are U.S.-European relations overall trending positive, negative, or neutral?
- 1C. Explain your answer in up to 100 words.

U.S.-European relations by topic

- 2A. Assess the present state of U.S.-European political relations. *(Scale from 1=Poor to 10=Excellent)*
- 2B. Are U.S.-European political relations trending positive, negative, or neutral?

2C. Explain your answer in up to 100 words.

3A. Assess the present state of U.S.-European security relations. *(Scale from 1=Poor to 10=Excellent)*

3B. Are U.S.-European security relations trending positive, negative, or neutral?

3C. Explain your answer in up to 100 words.

4A. Assess the present state of U.S.-European economic relations. *(Scale from 1=Poor to 10=Excellent)*

4B. Are U.S.-European economic relations trending positive, negative, or neutral?

4C. Explain your answer in up to 100 words.

Bilateral U.S.-European relationships

5A. Assess the present state of U.S.-German relations. *(Scale from 1=Poor to 10=Excellent)*

5B. Are U.S.-German relations trending positive, negative, or neutral?

6A. Assess the present state of U.S.-French relations. *(Scale from 1=Poor to 10=Excellent)*

6B. Are U.S.-French relations trending positive, negative, or neutral?

7A. Assess the present state of U.S.-British relations. *(Scale from 1=Poor to 10=Excellent)*

7B. Are U.S.-British relations trending positive, negative, or neutral?

8A. Assess the present state of U.S.-Turkish relations. *(Scale from 1=Poor to 10=Excellent)*

8B. Are U.S.-Turkish relations trending positive, negative, or neutral?

9A. Assess the present state of U.S.-Russian relations. *(Scale from 1=Poor to 10=Excellent)*

9B. Are U.S.-Russian relations trending positive, negative, or neutral?

10A. Assess the present state of U.S.-European Union relations. *(Scale from 1=Poor to 10=Excellent)*

10B. Are U.S.-European Union relations trending positive, negative, or neutral?

In the news

11A. There will be a full Russia-Ukraine ceasefire before April 30, 2022. *(Select one: Strongly Agree / Agree / Neutral / Disagree / Strongly Disagree)*

11B. Explain your answer in up to 100 words.

12A. The war in Ukraine will expedite Europe's green energy transition. *(Select one: Strongly Agree / Agree / Neutral / Disagree / Strongly Disagree)*

12B. Explain your answer in up to 100 words.

13A. China's position on Russia will damage EU-China relations. *(Select one: Strongly Agree / Agree / Neutral / Disagree / Strongly Disagree)*

13B. Explain your answer in up to 100 words.

14A. U.K.-EU relations have improved since the Russian invasion of Ukraine. *(Select one: Strongly Agree / Agree / Neutral / Disagree / Strongly Disagree)*

14B. Explain your answer in up to 100 words.

15A. Even if reelected, Macron will face widespread discontent, weakening his capacity for reforms. *(Select one: Strongly Agree / Agree / Neutral / Disagree / Strongly Disagree)*

15B. Explain your answer in up to 100 words.

Scholars participating

Riccardo Alcaro	Research Coordinator and Head of the Global Actors Programme, Istituto Affari Internazionali	Answering Questions 1-15
Pavel K. Baev	Nonresident Senior Fellow, Center on the United States and Europe, Foreign Policy, Brookings	Answering Questions 1-15
Carlo Bastasin	Nonresident Senior Fellow, Center on the United States and Europe, Foreign Policy, Brookings	Answering Questions 1-2, 4-5, 10-13, 15
Nicholas Danforth	Non-Resident Senior Research Fellow, Hellenic Foundation for European and Foreign Policy, ELIAMEP	Answering Questions 1-15
Samuel Denney	German Chancellor Fellow, Heinrich Böll Foundation	Answering Questions 1-3, 5-15
Norm Eisen	Senior Fellow, Governance Studies, Brookings	Answering Questions 1-15
James Goldgeier	Visiting Fellow, Center on the United States and Europe, Foreign Policy, Brookings	Answering Questions 1-15
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Bruce Jones	Director, Project on International and Strategy, Foreign Policy, Brookings	Answering Questions 1-15
Lucian Kim	Fellow, The Wilson Center	Answering Questions 1-15
Kemal Kirişci	Nonresident Senior Fellow, Center on the United States and	Answering Questions 1-15

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Anand Menon	Director, The UK in a Changing Europe	Answering Questions 1-15
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Rachel Rizzo	Nonresident Senior Fellow, Europe Center, Atlantic Council	Answering Questions 1-15
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