

Nunn's First Month: All MAGA, No Iowa

Polling Roundup: The extreme Republican agenda focuses on the wrong things

By a 23 point margin, 57 to 34, [Americans think Republicans are extreme](#). By comparison, an 8 point margin exists between those who believe Democrats are or are not extreme, and more Democrats see their party as looking out for them than Republicans say of their Party. Whether or not Democrats are focused on the right or wrong things has remained consistent around 50/50, while more Americans believe Republicans are focused on the wrong things, by an increase of 8 points since October. At the same time, President Biden's job approval continues to rise and more Americans trust Democrats on important issues like abortion, Social Security and Medicare, and governing smoothly.

Since October, Republicans have taken an 8 point hit on whether or not they are focused on the wrong things, before their party took control of the U.S. House of Representatives. After the opening of the current Congress and Speakership battle, 60 percent of Americans disapproved of Congressional Republicans - down 26 points.

Reports from 66 percent who heard negative views of Congressional Republicans included "They are so divided they can't elect a Speaker of the House" and "...are in total meltdown."

It's no wonder Americans think Republicans are focused on the wrong things. By holding the debt ceiling hostage and threatening to limit Medicare and Social Security, [54 percent](#) of all Americans say Congressional Republican priorities are not in line with their own. On the other hand, 90 percent of Republicans who identify with MAGA support these actions.

Attacks on Social Security and Medicare should scare every elected official, as [80 percent](#) of Americans overwhelmingly support the programs. Rightly so, half of all Americans are "very concerned" about possible cuts to Medicare and Social Security.

Zach Nunn is already a drag

Congressman Zach Nunn bucked his past support for exceptions and became as extreme as possible to secure [funding from MAGA-right PACs](#) and win in 2022. In a live debate he agreed to [oppose all abortions, no exceptions](#). Now in Congress, Nunn voted YES on [H.R. 26](#), a legislative tactic to [scare health care providers out of providing abortions and restrict abortion care](#).

Nunn voted YES on [H.R. 25](#), which would [strip the IRS of \\$72 billion](#) approved by Congress and President Biden last year. Nunn's extreme position would hurt Iowa communities, schools and working families. His effort would prevent the IRS from investigating people like former President Donald Trump who do all they can to [avoid paying taxes](#). Nunn's vote is an attack on our communities. Instead of defunding the IRS, he should ensure those who become wealthy and thrive thanks to our communities pay back what they owe.

Much to the chagrin of 66 percent of Americans, the Republicans needed [15 rounds of voting](#) to approve the Republican leader of the House. Nunn gave McCarthy his vote each and every time, even as McCarthy bent to the MAGA Right and allowed those who withheld their votes to receive highly sought out [committee assignments](#).

Adding fuel to the fire, Nunn supported [H.Res 5](#), the House rules package, without disclosing, or possibly even knowing, which backroom deals were cut to pass it. The bill and the Speakership were held hostage by MAGA Republicans like Representatives Matt Gaetz and Marjorie Taylor Greene who used their votes as bargaining chips for their own benefit over that of the American people.