

Americans Support Funding for the U.S. Chipmaking Industry

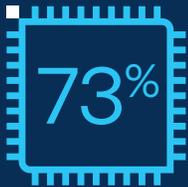
A nationwide poll¹ of Americans clearly indicates widespread understanding of the importance of the chipmaking industry to the U.S. economy and national security, and the urgent need for Congressional action to address the semiconductor shortage.

Across demographics and bipartisan lines, respondents stressed a robust understanding of the importance the chipmaking industry has in the U.S. economy:

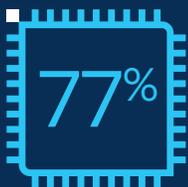
- Across party lines, Republicans (83%) and Democrats (78%) acknowledged the importance of the chipmaking industry.
- Over a variety of age groups, interest increased with age from a majority in the Gen Z category (62%) to an overwhelming majority for those 55+ (84%).
- A majority of both men (83%) and women (66%) stressed the important role chips play in the economy.

Despite the traditionally localized nature of the tech industry, respondents across the nation overwhelmingly agreed that strong chipmaking capabilities play a vital role in the U.S. economy. A majority of those surveyed in the Northeast (68%), Midwest (78%), South (72%), and West (79%) believe that a strong chipmaking industry is important to the greater U.S. economy.

Americans overwhelmingly support strong U.S. chipmaking



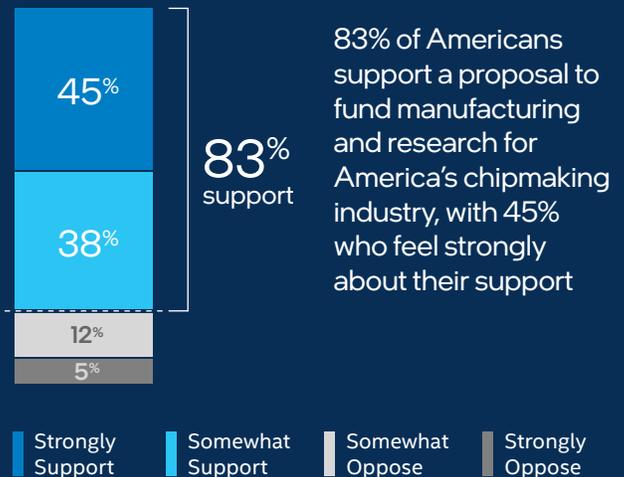
recognize that having a strong chipmaking industry is important to national security (73%)



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A majority of Americans also recognize that having a strong chipmaking industry is important to national security (73%) and believe that it is important for the U.S. to reduce its reliance on Asia for chip manufacturing (77%).

8-in-10 support funding for the U.S. chipmaking industry



While the U.S. was once the leader in semiconductor manufacturing and development, the domestic market share of semiconductors has decreased dramatically. In the past 30 years alone, semiconductor manufacturing in U.S. factories decreased from 37% in 1990 to just 12% in 2020. When presented with information regarding the shortage and the decline in U.S. chip manufacturing, Americans showed robust support for a proposal to allocate funding to the industry. 83% of Americans support a proposal to fund manufacturing and research for America's chipmaking industry, with 45% who feel strongly about their support. Support was consistent across demographics, geographic regions and political party lines.

With congressional action, the U.S. will gain market share in an industry that the American public recognizes as playing a crucial role in the country's economy and national security. Acting now would grow the U.S. semiconductor manufacturing industry, and represent a great opportunity to create a bipartisan coalition to address an issue that has strong public support.

¹ This online omnibus survey was conducted by ENGINE INSIGHTS among a sample of 1,003 U.S. adults 18 years of age and older. This survey was live on July 14-16, 2021. Results have been weighted by age, gender, region, race and education, based on U.S. Census data, to be demographically representative of the population.