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A majority of Americans says in a stunning new poll that U.S. democracy is at risk of 'extinction.'

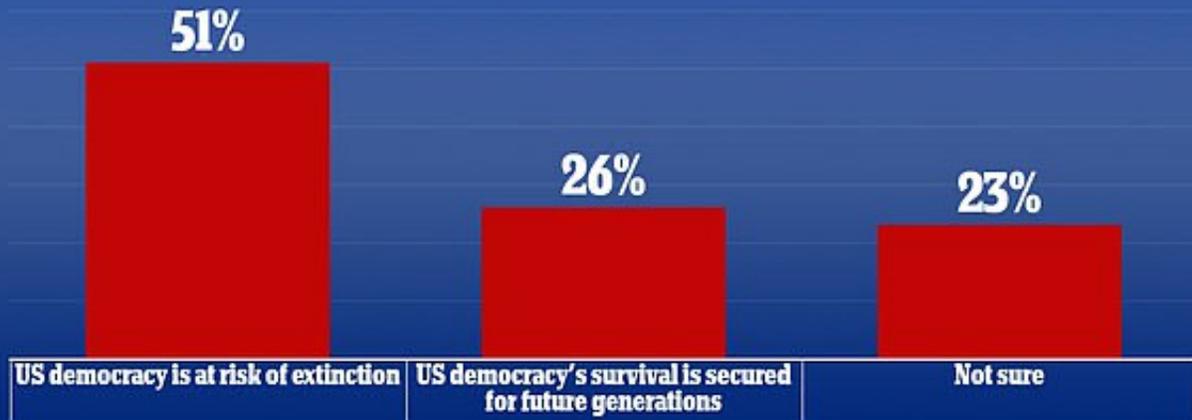
The assessment comes in a new poll near the anniversary of President [Joe Biden](#)'s first year in office, just days after the anniversary of the [Capitol](#) riot.

About half, or 26 per cent, said U.S. democracy's survival 'is secured for future generations,' according to the poll from Schoen Cooperman Research.

Slightly fewer, 23 per cent, said they weren't sure, with 51 per cent saying democracy was in danger of extinction.

The result comes after President Joe Biden spoke about the Capitol riot during a voting rights speech in Atlanta, saying that a year ago a 'dagger was literally held at the throat of American democracy.'

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Source: Schoen Cooperman Research poll

A new Schoen Cooperman poll shows a 51 percent majority believe the U.S. democracy is at risk of extinction



Only 54 per cent of Americans said President Joe Biden was the legitimate winner of the election in a new poll

On Saturday, former President Donald Trump, who launched an unsuccessful election overturn effort last year, once again claimed that the 2020 presidential election was stolen despite fraud claims being tossed out of court, while promoting the conspiracy theory that the Capitol attack that Jan. 6th rioters were 'FBI agents.'

The poll showed the majority that believe Biden was the legitimate winner of the election has narrowed to just 54 per cent amid Trump's persistent attacks. The number was a 64 per cent in April.

Voters appear split on the ideological risks to the country, with 23 per cent naming left-wing extremism and 21 per cent naming right-wing extremism.

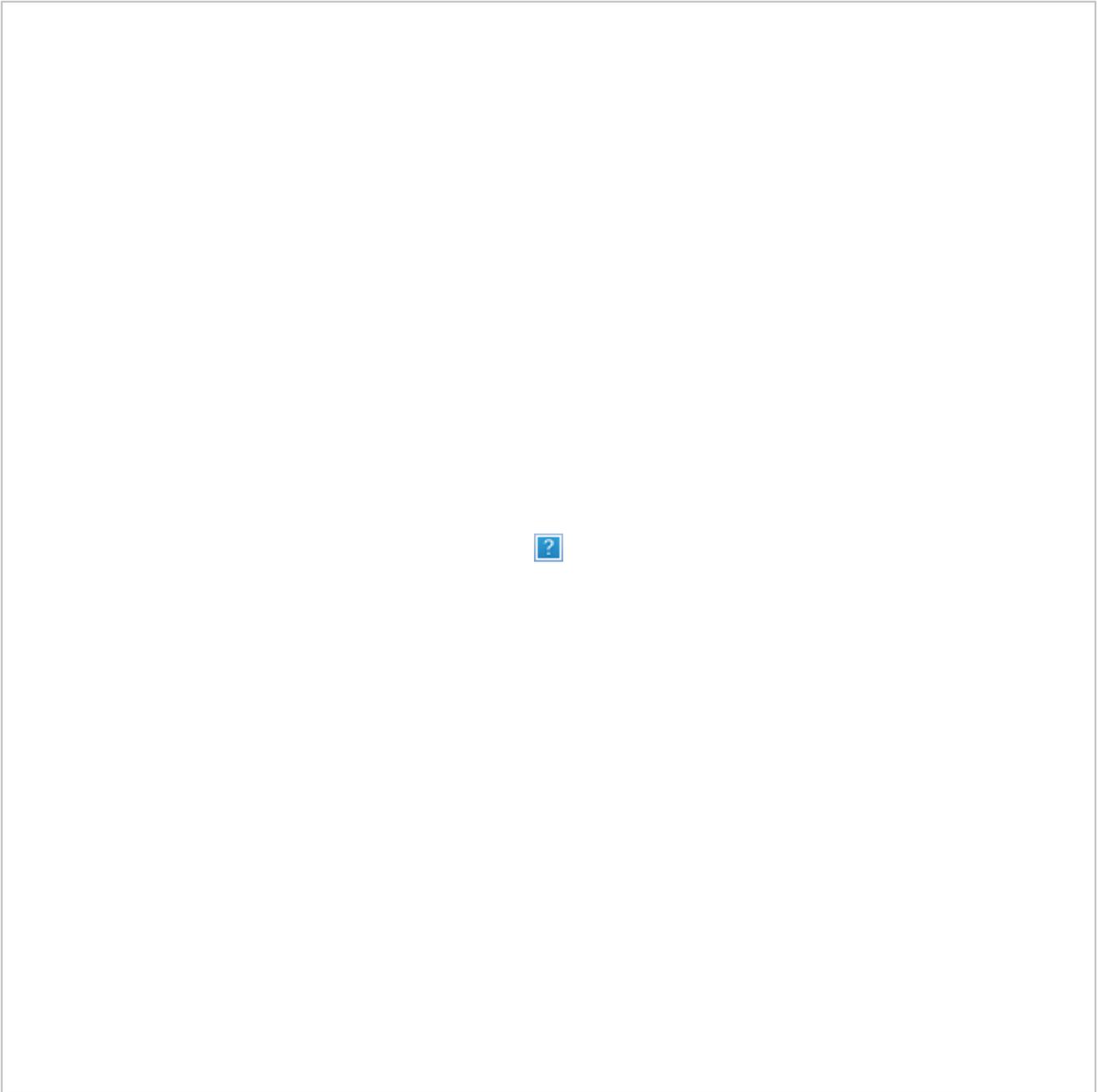


The poll follows repeated attacks on the election by former President Donald Trump

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Members of the Far-Right, White Nationalist group America First clash with BLM and Antifa counter protestors as they take part in an anti-vaccine mandate protest outside of Gracie Mansion in Manhattan, New York. November 13 2021. Voters were split on whether the far right or far left posed the greatest threat

A large 80 per cent majority said it was more important for lawmakers to 'work together' to solve problems, rather than follow their ideological beliefs – amid major impasses in the Senate over Biden's Build Back Better plan, voting rights, judges, how to handle the coronavirus, and other matters.

'We found that Americans are losing faith in their democracy, arguably worse than ever before. They're losing faith in elections, institutions, and the ability of democracy to survive. Everything is negative,' said pollster Carly Cooperman, the [New York Post](#) reported.

US Vice President Kamala Harris gives virtual remarks on MLKJ Day

