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A [new Gallup poll](#) shows that a majority of Americans view the government as too powerful and obtrusive.

The poll found:

- 59% of Americans now believe the federal government has too much power
- 46% believe “the federal government poses an immediate threat to the rights and freedoms of ordinary citizens”. Only slightly more (51%) disagree with that statement \*

\* Gallup notes:

One can say with 95% confidence that the maximum margin of sampling error is  $\pm 4$  percentage points.

That means that as much as half of Americans may actually agree the government poses a threat.

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