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Good evening,

Last night, President Trump delivered the State of the Union. Below you will find a summary of what state officials, commentators, and polls are saying about the President's Address. See attachments for a more extensive What They Are Saying.

## CBS News poll - Viewers approve of Trump's first State of the Union address

"Three in four Americans who tuned in to President Trump's State of the Union address tonight approved of the speech he gave. Just a quarter disapproved."



Key Highlights :

- 75% approved, including 97% of Republicans and 72% of Independents.

- 65% said the speech made them feel proud.
- 54% said policies they heard in the speech would help them.
- 81% said they felt President Trump was trying to unite the country.
- 91% favored what they heard on infrastructure.
- 75% favored what they heard on national security.
- 72% favored what they heard on immigration.

## What They Are Saying – State Officials Support for President Trump’s State of the Union Address

Governor Kay Ivey (R-AL): “Tonight, President Trump made clear his commitment to the American people and to improving the quality of life for everyone. By protecting our borders, strengthening our military and creating an environment that enhances domestic economic growth, the president underlined his commitment to national security.”

Governor Asa Hutchinson (R-AR): “President Trump’s State of the Union speech was good news for Arkansas on many fronts. We have seen conservative policy changes in D.C. lead to tax cuts, increased wages, bonuses, deregulation, American companies returning to the U.S. and a year-long stock-market streak.”

Governor Matt Bevin (R-KY): “We are all so proud of Corporal (Ret.) Matthew Bradford, a great Kentuckian and one of the special guests in the gallery during tonight’s State of the Union address. Corporal Bradford truly embodies the Kentucky spirit, showing all of America what it means to overcome significant obstacles and to embrace new opportunities. How we deal with adversity has the power to unite us as Americans and, as the President noted, we must continue to rally around the opportunities that are before us—combatting the opioid epidemic, creating jobs, and rebuilding the Nation’s infrastructure.”

Governor Paul LePage (R-ME): “We commend President Trump for the all progress he has made this year, especially on the passage of comprehensive tax reform, which will create jobs, raise wages for families and jumpstart the American economy.”

Governor Phil Bryant (R-MS): “In the past 12 months, President Trump has increased security by making our military stronger, grown our economy by cutting taxes and eliminating regulations and made it clear that America comes first. I am grateful he reinforced his commitment to those values in his State of the Union.”

Governor Doug Burgum (R-ND): "President Trump's address this evening further underscores our mutual commitment to lifting up all American by working to expand economic opportunity. Through bold tax reform and a continued effort to roll back government overreach, his administration is empowering North Dakotans."

Governor Pete Ricketts (R-NE): ""In his first year, President Trump has helped spur economic growth through major tax reform and rolling back job-killing regulations. His pro-growth policies have helped the United States achieve its lowest unemployment rate in almost two decades, while pushing the stock market to record highs. President Trump's focus on infrastructure and continued commitment to growing jobs and the economy for 2018 is common sense."

Governor Jim Justice (R-WV): "Donald J. Trump is a personal friend of mine and I KNOW how much he cares for each and every one of us in this great nation. We are extremely excited about his infrastructure plan, his clear guidelines for fair trade, and the continuing policies to cut taxes that will create millions of additional jobs."

Alabama Attorney General Steve Marshall (R): "President Trump made a commitment to nominate courageous judges, firmly dedicated to the Constitution and the rule of law. As Attorney General of Alabama, I have watched with enthusiasm as he has fulfilled that promise, knowing that there is little that a president could do to be of more encouragement to me and the attorneys in my office."

Louisiana Attorney General Jeff Landry (R): "I commend President Trump for inviting two of Louisiana's best to be his special guests at the State of the Union Address. Ashlee and Jon have both shown immense courage in the midst of the devastation Louisiana and our neighbors have had to endure. It is because of heroes like them that Louisiana is such a bright light for the rest of the country."

Thanks,

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