

U.S. Senate Race Candidate Questionnaire

John Fetterman (D)	SUMMARY	Mehmet Oz (R)
Wrong Track	Is the country on the right track or wrong track?	Wrong Track
Yes or No Questions		
Yes	Should the country have an “all of the above” energy strategy?	Yes
No	Should we expand gas and oil drilling on federal land?	Yes
No	Reform federal law to make it more difficult for opponents to challenge infrastructure projects?	Yes
No	Should the U.S. ban gas and diesel vehicles by 2035?	No
Yes	Should the country expand pipelines and infrastructure to export US natural gas?	Yes
Yes	Should Washington reform regulations to put apprenticeships on same footing as four-year college?	Yes
Yes	Should Washington cut federal taxes to spur job creation and investment?	Yes

Complete Questionnaire

In your opinion, what are the core responsibilities of the office you are seeking?

FETTERMAN: We need a U.S. Senator who is going to fight for the people of Pennsylvania. There are many things that we must change -- combating rising prices, dealing with inflation, bringing jobs back, and expanding and protecting the union way of life. We need someone in Washington who understands what people are going through and will fight for them. I've been working to advance this agenda in western Pennsylvania for years and will do the same in DC.

OZ: A top-down approach from Washington does not work. The federal government should not involve itself in state and local issues where people are better represented. The federal government must empower people, not get in their way. My parents moved to America because they knew this was the land of opportunity. People are losing hope that they will not be able to provide the same opportunities for their kids. I want to pick up the baton and make sure that future generations can live the American dream.

How are you uniquely qualified to meet those responsibilities?

FETTERMAN: I have lived in Pennsylvania for nearly my entire life and have been working in public service here for nearly twenty years. I have been Mayor of a small town and know the challenges Pennsylvania's residents face. I became Lt. Governor and transformed the office, declining to live in the taxpayer-funded mansion and using my office as a bully pulpit for union rights and raising the minimum wage. I will take this same mindset to the Senate. I'll always fight for the people of Pennsylvania and will put working people first. There's a lot of work to do -- whether that is expanding the union way of life, reversing bad trade deals and bringing jobs and production home, or maintaining Pennsylvania's energy infrastructure.

OZ: My upbringing and my career have uniquely positioned me to make difficult decisions to help people in need. I'm running for U.S. Senate to reignite our divine spark, bravely fight for freedom, and will tell it like it is. I have fought to empower people my whole life. This is what I have done my whole career and what I will do as Senator.

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Would you say that things in the country are going in the right direction, or have they pretty seriously gotten off on the wrong track?

FETTERMAN: Wrong Track

OZ: Wrong Track

If you answered “right direction”, what policies would you focus on to continue the progress you see the country as making?

If you answered “wrong track”, what would your focus in office be to put Pennsylvania back on the “right track”?

FETTERMAN: The reality is that while we’re in a better position than we were two years ago, we are facing some major challenges in this country. Inflation is still hitting people hard; I see it myself when I fill up my truck or go to the grocery store. We’ve seen jobs get sent overseas by bad trade deals, prices rise while wages don’t keep up, and the leaders who are supposed to represent our values in DC sell us out to keep their friends and donors happy. There have been some wins in DC, like the Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill, the CHIPS and Science Act, and the Inflation Reduction Act — but we need to do much more. We need to lessen the burden of inflation by making more stuff not just in America, but right here in Pennsylvania. Supply chains get a lot simpler when they start and end here at home. We shouldn’t be outsourcing jobs and production to China. We’ll bring back American manufacturing by punishing the companies that ship jobs overseas, strengthening “Buy American” requirements for companies that do business with the federal government, and mandating that companies we buy from make their products right here at home.

OZ: Congress must be laser focused on reducing inflation and lowering taxes. Inflation is hurting American families from the grocery stores to the gas pump. One way to accomplish this is to make Pennsylvania a leader in energy production. I will also work to decrease healthcare costs while improving outcomes and provide better schools with more choice.

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Do you believe the country needs an “all of the above” energy strategy that includes nuclear power, natural gas, wind and solar?

FETTERMAN: Yes

OZ: Yes

What should the federal government do to ensure safe, reliable energy production across federal, state and municipal governments?

FETTERMAN: If we’re going to ensure safe and reliable energy production, we have to invest in our renewable energy infrastructure, like the investments made through the Inflation Reduction Act and the Bipartisan Infrastructure Act. And we need to continue to use American oil and invest in more American energy production across the board.

OZ: We need to unleash the power of American energy. I support an all-of-the-above energy approach. We must invest in natural gas, a workable, clean solution to mass energy production. Natural gas is clean energy, and we should use as much of it as possible.

Do you support expanded gas and oil drilling on federal lands?

FETTERMAN: No

OZ: Yes

Do you support legislative changes to the National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) to make it more difficult for opponents to challenge construction infrastructure projects such as pipelines, high-voltage electric transmission lines, and solar farms?

FETTERMAN: No

OZ: Yes

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California has just acted to ban the sale of gas and diesel powered vehicles by 2035. Do you favor such a ban for the United States?

FETTERMAN: No

OZ: No

Do you support expanding drilling, pipeline construction, and Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) export facilities to export United States' natural gas to countries around the world?

FETTERMAN: Yes

OZ: Yes

Do you support changes to federal rules and regulations to make union apprenticeships and industry approved technical training eligible for the same kind of public support, such as Pell grants, that are available for four-year college degrees?

FETTERMAN: Yes

OZ: Yes

Do you support cutting federal taxes to help spur job creation and investment?

FETTERMAN: Yes

OZ: Yes