

Pulse Asia Research’s February 2025 *Pulso ng Bayan* Pre-Electoral Survey:
Key Findings on the Impeachment of the Vice-President

Awareness of the impeachment of the Vice-President is almost universal among Filipino registered voters (92%)

Practically all registered voters in the country (92%) have heard, read, and/or watched something about the impeachment of the Vice-President by the House of Representatives. Nearly the same awareness levels are posted across geographic areas and socio-economic classes (87% to 99% and 91% to 93%, respectively). (Please refer to Table 1.)

Table 1
AWARENESS OF THE IMPEACHMENT OF VICE-PRESIDENT SARA DUTERTE
February 20 - 26, 2025 / Philippines
(In Percent)

Base: Total Interviews*, 100%								
Vice-President Sara Duterte was recently impeached by the House of Representatives. The case has been filed in the Senate and it can be heard when the Senate session resumes in the first week of June.								
Have you heard, read or watched anything about the impeachment of Vice-President Sara Duterte?	RP	LOCATION				CLASS		
		NCR	BL	VIS	MIN	ABC	D	E
Yes	92	88	87	95	99	91	92	93
None	8	12	13	5	1	9	8	7

*Those who are likely voters and those who cannot say if they will vote or not in the May 2025 elections.

Kamakailan ay na-impeach si Bise-Prisidente Sara Duterte ng Kapulungan ng mga Kinatawan. Ang kaso ay inihain na sa Senado at maaaring dinggin ito sa pagsisimula muli ng sesyon ng Senado sa unang linggo ng Hunyo.

Q34. Kayo po ba ay may nabasa, narinig, napanood na tungkol sa impeachment ni Bise-Prisidente Sara Duterte?

A big plurality of the country’s electorate (45%) disagrees with the filing of an impeachment case against the Vice-President

Among registered voters, the plurality sentiment is one of disagreement with the Lower House’s filing of an impeachment case against the Vice-President in the Senate. The rest of Filipino registered voters agree with this (26%), express ambivalence on the matter (23%), or are unable to state an opinion about the matter due to lack of knowledge (7%). (Please refer to Table 2.)

In the different geographic and socio-economic subgroupings, big pluralities to overwhelming majorities in the Visayas (46%), Mindanao (88%), and every class (43% to 56%) disagree with what the House of Representatives did. Meanwhile, around the same percentages of Metro Manila either agree or disagree with the House of Representatives’ action (45% versus 33%). And in the rest of Luzon, 34% of registered voters either agree with the latter’s move to file an impeachment case against the Vice-President in the Senate while or are undecided on the matter.

Table 2
WHETHER FILIPINOS AGREE OR DISAGREE WITH THE FILING OF THE
IMPEACHMENT CASE AGAINST VICE-PRESIDENT SARA DUTERTE
BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IN THE SENATE
February 20 - 26, 2025 / Philippines
(In Percent)

Base: Total Interviews*, 100%								
Do you agree or disagree with the filing of the impeachment case against Vice-President Sara Duterte by the House of Representatives in the Senate?	RP	LOCATION				CLASS		
		NCR	BL	VIS	MIN	ABC	D	E
		AGREE	26	45	34	23	4	32
Strongly agree	10	14	13	9	2	14	10	5
Somewhat agree	16	31	20	14	2	18	16	11
CANNOT SAY IF AGREE OR DISAGREE	23	18	34	17	8	15	24	20
DISAGREE	45	33	24	46	88	48	43	56
Somewhat disagree	13	16	11	14	15	8	13	16
Strongly disagree	32	16	13	32	72	40	30	41
I don't have enough knowledge to give an opinion	7	5	8	14	1	5	7	9

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Q35. Kayo po ba ay sumasang-ayon o hindi sumasang-ayon sa paghahain ng kasong impeachment laban kay Bise-Presidente Sara Duterte ng Kapulungan ng mga Kinatawan sa Senado?

Note: (1) % Agree = % Strongly agree plus % Somewhat agree; % Disagree = % Somewhat disagree plus % Strongly disagree.

(2) Figures may not add up to 100% due to rounding off.

Basically the same percentages of registered voters either believe the Senate will not be fair in its handling of the Vice-President’s impeachment case or express indecision on the matter of the Senate’s fairness as an impeachment court (35% versus 33%)

While 35% of Filipino registered voters believe the Senate will not be fair when it hears the impeachment case against the Vice-President, 33% are ambivalent on the matter. About a fifth of the electorate (21%) believes the Senate will be fair when it convenes as an impeachment court for the purpose of hearing the Vice-President’s impeachment case. Inability to give an opinion on the matter due to insufficient knowledge is reported by 11% of registered voters. (Please refer to Table 3.)

As may be expected, most registered voters in Mindanao (66%) believe the Senate will not be fair as an impeachment court. A big plurality of registered voters in Metro Manila (40%) believe otherwise while indecision is the plurality sentiment in the rest of Luzon (40%). Virtually the same percentages of Visayans and registered voters across socio-economic classes either believe the Senate will not be fair or are ambivalent on the matter (33% to 38% versus 32% to 42%).

Table 3
WHETHER FILIPINOS BELIEVE THAT THE SENATE
WILL BE FAIR OR UNFAIR AS A COURT THAT WILL HEAR THE
IMPEACHMENT CASE AGAINST VICE-PRESIDENT SARA DUTERTE

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(In Percent)

Base: Total Interviews*, 100%								
Do you believe that the Senate will be fair or unfair as a court that will hear the impeachment case against Vice-President Sara Duterte?	RP	LOCATION				CLASS		
		NCR	BL	VIS	MIN	ABC	D	E
		Fair	21	40	24	17	10	17
Cannot say if fair or not fair	33	27	40	36	21	37	32	42
Not fair	35	22	22	33	66	38	35	33
I don't have enough knowledge to give an opinion	11	11	14	15	3	8	11	13

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Q36. Naniniwala ba kayo na magiging patas o hindi patas ang Senado bilang korteng dirinig ng kaso ng impeachment laban kay Bise-Presidente Sara Duterte?