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percent), independent audit committees (77 percent), audited financial statements (75 percent), and financial advisors (75 percent).

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Seventy-nine percent of American investors are confident in U.S. capital markets, and 81 percent have confidence investing in U.S. publicly traded companies, according to a survey released today by the Center for Audit Quality (CAQ), the 10th Annual Main Street Investor Survey: A Decade of Investor Confidence. The survey also

found that 57 percent of investors think the next U.S. president will significantly

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"The CAQ is pleased to observe the robust confidence that investors place in public company auditors and audited financial information," Fornelli said. "The public company auditing profession is committed to continuous improvement through innovation, finding new and better ways to serve investors and to build trust in capital markets."

Respondents named growing national debt, global political unrest, cybersecurity threats to personal information and the capital markets, and a possible terrorist attack on the United States as the greatest risks to the U.S. economy. Forty-two percent of investors have confidence in capital markets outside the United States.

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