

**PEW RESEARCH CENTER  
SEPTEMBER 2019 POLITICAL SURVEY  
FINAL TOPLINE  
SEPTEMBER 5-16, 2019  
N= 2,004**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.1 All in all, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way things are going in this country today?

	Satis- <u>fied</u>	Dis- <u>satisfied</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>		Satis- <u>fied</u>	Dis- <u>satisfied</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
Sep 5-16, 2019	34	60	6	Jan 9-13, 2013	30	66	4
July 10-15, 2019	37	58	5	Dec 17-19, 2012	25	68	7
Mar 20-25, 2019	31	63	6	Dec 5-9, 2012	33	62	5
Jan 9-14, 2019	26	70	4	Oct 18-21, 2012	32	61	8
Sep 18-24, 2018	33	61	6	Jan 28-Jul 9, 2012	31	64	5
Jun 5-12, 2018	34	61	6	Jun 7-17, 2012	28	68	5
Apr 25-May 1, 2018	33	62	6	May 9-Jun 3, 2012	29	64	7
Mar 7-14, 2018	30	66	4	Apr 4-15, 2012	24	69	6
Jan 10-15, 2018	32	62	6	Feb 8-12, 2012	28	66	6
Nov 29-Dec 4, 2017	27	68	6	Jan 11-16, 2012	21	75	4
Oct 25-30, 2017	26	70	5	Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	17	78	5
Jun 27-Jul 9, 2017	28	67	5	Aug 17-21, 2011	17	79	4
Apr 5-11, 2017	30	66	4	Jul 20-24, 2011	17	79	4
Feb 7-12, 2017	30	65	5	Jun 15-19, 2011	23	73	4
Jan 4-9, 2017	28	68	4	May 5-8, 2011	30	62	8
Nov 30-Dec 5, 2016	30	65	5	May 2, 2011	32	60	8
Oct 20-25, 2016	33	63	4	Mar 8-14, 2011	22	73	5
Aug 9-16, 2016	31	66	3	Feb 2-7, 2011	26	68	5
Jun 15-26, 2016	24	71	5	Jan 5-9, 2011	23	71	6
Apr 12-19, 2016	26	70	3	Dec 1-5, 2010	21	72	7
Mar 17-26, 2016	31	65	4	Nov 4-7, 2010	23	69	8
Jan 7-14, 2016	25	70	5	Sep 23-26, 2010	30	63	7
Dec 8-13, 2015	25	72	3	Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	25	71	5
Aug 27-Oct 4, 2015	27	67	5	Jun 24-27, 2010	27	64	9
Sep 22-27, 2015	27	69	4	May 13-16, 2010	28	64	7
Jul 14-20, 2015	31	64	4	Apr 21-26, 2010	29	66	5
May 12-18, 2015	29	67	4	Apr 1-5, 2010	31	63	6
Mar 25-29, 2015	31	64	5	Mar 11-21, 2010	25	69	5
Feb 18-22, 2015	33	62	5	Mar 10-14, 2010	23	71	7
Jan 7-11, 2015	31	66	4	Feb 3-9, 2010	23	71	6
Dec 3-7, 2014 (U)	26	71	3	Jan 6-10, 2010	27	69	4
Nov 6-9, 2014	27	68	4	Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	25	67	7
Oct 15-20, 2014	29	65	6	Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009	25	67	7
Sep 2-9, 2014	25	71	4	Sep 10-15, 2009 <sup>1</sup>	30	64	7
Aug 20-24, 2014	24	72	4	Aug 20-27, 2009	28	65	7
Jul 8-14, 2014	29	68	4	Aug 11-17, 2009	28	65	7
Apr 23-27, 2014	29	65	6	Jul 22-26, 2009	28	66	6
Feb 12-26, 2014	28	66	6	Jun 10-14, 2009	30	64	5
Jan 15-19, 2014	26	69	5	Apr 28-May 12, 2009	34	58	8
Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013	21	75	3	Apr 14-21, 2009	23	70	7
Oct 9-13, 2013	14	81	5	Jan 7-11, 2009	20	73	7
Jul 17-21, 2013	27	67	6	December, 2008	13	83	4
May 1-5, 2013	30	65	5	Early October, 2008	11	86	3
Feb 13-18, 2013 (U)	31	64	5				

<sup>1</sup> In September 10-15, 2009 and other surveys noted with an asterisk, the question was worded "Overall, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way things are going in our country today?"

**Q.1 CONTINUED...**

	Satis- fied	Dis- satisfied	(VOL.) DK/Ref		Satis- fied	Dis- satisfied	(VOL.) DK/Ref
Mid-September, 2008	25	69	6	March, 2002	50	40	10
August, 2008	21	74	5	Late September, 2001	57	34	9
July, 2008	19	74	7	Early September, 2001	41	53	6
June, 2008	19	76	5	June, 2001	43	52	5
Late May, 2008	18	76	6	March, 2001	47	45	8
March, 2008	22	72	6	February, 2001	46	43	11
Early February, 2008	24	70	6	January, 2001	55	41	4
Late December, 2007	27	66	7	October, 2000 (RVs)	54	39	7
October, 2007	28	66	6	September, 2000	51	41	8
February, 2007	30	61	9	June, 2000	47	45	8
Mid-January, 2007	32	61	7	April, 2000	48	43	9
Early January, 2007	30	63	7	August, 1999	56	39	5
December, 2006	28	65	7	January, 1999	53	41	6
Mid-November, 2006	28	64	8	November, 1998	46	44	10
Early October, 2006	30	63	7	Early September, 1998	54	42	4
July, 2006	30	65	5	Late August, 1998	55	41	4
May, 2006*	29	65	6	Early August, 1998	50	44	6
March, 2006	32	63	5	February, 1998	59	37	4
January, 2006	34	61	5	January, 1998	46	50	4
Late November, 2005	34	59	7	September, 1997	45	49	6
Early October, 2005	29	65	6	August, 1997	49	46	5
July, 2005	35	58	7	January, 1997	38	58	4
Late May, 2005*	39	57	4	July, 1996	29	67	4
February, 2005	38	56	6	March, 1996	28	70	2
January, 2005	40	54	6	October, 1995	23	73	4
December, 2004	39	54	7	June, 1995	25	73	2
Mid-October, 2004	36	58	6	April, 1995	23	74	3
July, 2004	38	55	7	July, 1994	24	73	3
May, 2004	33	61	6	March, 1994	24	71	5
Late February, 2004*	39	55	6	October, 1993	22	73	5
Early January, 2004	45	48	7	September, 1993	20	75	5
December, 2003	44	47	9	May, 1993	22	71	7
October, 2003	38	56	6	January, 1993	39	50	11
August, 2003	40	53	7	January, 1992	28	68	4
April, 2003	50	41	9	November, 1991	34	61	5
January, 2003	44	50	6	Gallup: Late Feb, 1991	66	31	3
November, 2002	41	48	11	August, 1990	47	48	5
September, 2002	41	55	4	May, 1990	41	54	5
Late August, 2002	47	44	9	January, 1989	45	50	5
May, 2002	44	44	12	September, 1988 (RVs)	50	45	5

**NO QUESTIONS 2-4****ASK ALL:**

Imagine for a moment that you are moving to another community.

Q.5 Would you prefer to live in **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]**?

Sep 5-16 2019		Jun 8-18 2017	Jan 23- Feb 9 2014
50	A community where the houses are larger and farther apart, but schools, stores, and restaurants are several miles away	48	49
45	A community where the houses are smaller and closer to each other, but schools, stores, and restaurants are within walking distance	47	48
6	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	5	2

**NO QUESTIONS 6-9**

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=1,030]:**

Q.10F1 Do you approve or disapprove of the job the [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE] are doing? **[IF DK ENTER AS DK. IF DEPENDS PROBE ONCE WITH: Overall do you approve or disapprove of the job the [ITEM] are doing? IF STILL DEPENDS ENTER AS DK]. [INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: REPEAT FULL QUESTION FOR NEXT ITEM]**

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
a. Republican leaders in Congress			
Sep 5-16, 2019	32	59	9
Mar 20-25, 2019	31	63	6
Jun 5-12, 2018	29	63	8
Oct 25-30, 2017	22	71	8
Feb 7-12, 2017	34	60	6
Sep 22-27, 2015	19	73	8
May 12-18, 2015	22	72	6
Feb 18-22, 2015	26	66	8
Apr 23-27, 2014 (U)	23	68	10
Dec 3-8, 2013 (U)	21	72	7
Oct 9-13, 2013	20	72	8
Sep 4-8, 2013	24	68	8
May 1-5, 2013	22	68	10
Feb 13-18, 2013 (U)	25	67	9
Dec 5-9, 2012	25	67	8
Dec 7-11, 2011	21	68	11
Nov 9-14, 2011	23	67	10
Aug 17-21, 2011	22	69	9
Jul 20-24, 2011	25	66	10
Mar 30-Apr 3, 2011	30	61	9
Feb 24-27, 2011	36	45	19
Sep 30-Oct 3, 2010	24	60	16
Jul 22-25, 2010	33	53	14
Jun 16-20, 2010	31	55	14
Apr 8-11, 2010	30	56	14
Mar 10-14, 2010	25	59	16
Jan 6-10, 2010	27	57	16
Dec 9-13, 2009	29	51	20
Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009	24	60	17
Jun 10-14, 2009	29	56	15
Mar 9-12, 2009	28	51	21
Feb 4-8, 2009	34	51	15
Early October, 2006	33	56	11
June, 2006	30	53	17
March, 2006	32	50	18
January, 2006	33	52	15
Early November, 2005	33	50	17
Early October, 2005	32	52	16
Mid-September, 2005	36	49	15
Mid-May, 2005	35	50	15
Mid-March, 2005	39	44	17
Early February, 2004	41	42	17
January, 2003	48	37	15
June, 2002	50	34	16
May, 2002	49	34	17
February, 2002	56	24	20
Early September, 2001	43	39	18

**Q.10aF1 CONTINUED...**

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
June, 2001	40	40	20
May, 2001	45	36	19
April, 2001	45	30	25
January, 2001	43	36	21
July, 2000	36	46	18
May, 2000	40	42	18
July, 1999	36	45	19
June, 1999	37	46	17
May, 1999	38	44	18
March, 1999	38	47	15
February, 1999	37	51	12
January, 1999	38	50	12
Early December, 1998	38	49	13
November, 1998	41	48	11
Early September, 1998	44	37	19
Early August, 1998	43	37	20
June, 1998	42	38	20
May, 1998	40	41	19
April, 1998	41	40	19
March, 1998	43	39	18
January, 1998	43	41	16
November, 1997	41	43	16
August, 1997	42	44	14
June, 1997	33	50	17
May, 1997	40	44	16
April, 1997	40	44	16
February, 1997	44	42	14
January, 1997	38	47	15
December, 1996 <sup>2</sup>	40	43	17
July, 1996	38	48	14
June, 1996	36	50	14
April, 1996	39	46	15
March, 1996	35	51	14
February, 1996	33	53	14
January, 1996	36	54	10
October, 1995	36	51	13
September, 1995	36	50	14
August, 1995	38	45	17
June, 1995	41	45	14
April, 1995	44	43	13
March, 1995	43	39	18
December, 1994 <sup>3</sup>	52	28	20

<sup>2</sup> From December, 1994 through December, 1996, the question was worded: "As best you can tell, do you approve or disapprove of the policies and proposals of the Republican leaders in Congress?"

<sup>3</sup> In December 1994, the question was worded: "As best you can tell, do you approve or disapprove of Republican Congressional leaders' policies and plans for the future?"

**Q.10 CONTINUED...**

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
b. Democratic leaders in Congress			
Sep 5-16, 2019	31	59	10
Mar 20-25, 2019	33	59	8
Jun 5-12, 2018	31	59	10
Oct 25-30, 2017	29	62	9
Feb 7-12, 2017	37	55	8
Sep 22-27, 2015	34	60	6
May 12-18, 2015	33	60	6
Feb 18-22, 2015	36	58	7
Apr 23-27, 2014 (U)	32	60	8
Dec 3-8, 2013 (U)	34	58	8
Oct 9-13, 2013	31	62	7
Sep 4-8, 2013	33	59	7
Nov 9-14, 2011	30	61	9
Aug 17-21, 2011	29	63	9
Jul 20-24, 2011	30	60	10
Mar 30-Apr 3, 2011	31	60	9
Feb 24-27, 2011	33	48	19
Sep 30-Oct 3, 2010	30	53	17
Jul 22-25, 2010	35	56	10
Jun 16-20, 2010	35	53	12
Apr 8-11, 2010	38	51	11
Mar 10-14, 2010	31	57	12
Jan 6-10, 2010	35	53	11
Dec 9-13, 2009	36	47	17
Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009	33	53	15
Jun 10-14, 2009	42	45	13
Mar 9-12, 2009	47	35	18
Feb 4-8, 2009	48	38	14
August, 2008	31	58	11
January, 2008	31	53	16
November, 2007	35	50	15
October, 2007	31	54	15
July, 2007	33	54	13
June, 2007	34	49	17
April, 2007	36	43	21
March, 2007 <sup>4</sup>	37	42	21
February, 2007	41	36	23
Mid-January, 2007	39	34	27
Early October, 2006	35	53	12
June, 2006	32	50	18
March, 2006	34	46	20
January, 2006	34	48	18
Early November, 2005	36	44	20
Early October, 2005	32	48	20
Mid-September, 2005	36	45	19
Mid-May, 2005	39	41	20
Mid-March, 2005	37	44	19

<sup>4</sup> In March 2007 the question was worded: "Do you approve or disapprove of the policies and proposals of the Democratic leaders in Congress?"

**Q.10bF1 CONTINUED...**

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
Early February, 2004	38	42	20
January, 2002	54	24	22
June, 2002	47	36	17
May, 2002	42	37	21
February, 2002	49	30	21
Early Sept, 2001	49	30	21
June, 2001	50	28	22

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=974]:**

Q.11F2 Thinking about the Democratic and Republican parties, would you say there is a great deal of difference in what they stand for, a fair amount of difference, or hardly any difference at all?

	<u>A great deal</u>	<u>A fair amount</u>	<u>Hardly any</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
Sep 5-16, 2019	62	22	11	5
Jan 9-14, 2019	54	30	13	3
Aug 27-Sep 13, 2015	45	32	19	4
Jan 7-11, 2015	44	31	21	4
Feb 12-26, 2014	43	30	23	4
Nov 4-7, 2010	38	41	17	4
January, 2007	35	40	20	5
Early October, 2006	38	39	18	5
April, 2006	33	42	21	4
June, 2003	29	49	20	2
February, 1999	33	46	18	3
March, 1998	28	45	23	4
June, 1997	25	48	25	2
October, 1995	34	46	18	2
July, 1994	23	51	24	2
May, 1990	24	45	27	4
May, 1987	25	45	25	5

**NO QUESTIONS 12-24****ASK ALL:**

Q.25 As I read some pairs of statements, please tell me whether the FIRST statement or the SECOND statement comes closer to your own views — even if neither is exactly right. The first pair is **[READ AND RANDOMIZE PAIRS BUT NOT STATEMENTS WITHIN EACH PAIR]. [IF NECESSARY: Next/How about/And], [NEXT PAIR]. [IF NECESSARY: "Which statement comes closer to your views, even if neither is exactly right?"]**

**ASK ALL:**

	<u>Government is almost always wasteful and inefficient</u>	<u>Government often does a better job than people give it credit for</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>Both/Neither/ DK/Ref</u>
a.			
Sep 5-16, 2019	55	39	6
Jun 8-18, 2017	56	40	4
Aug 23-Sep 2, 2016	54	40	6
Aug 27-Oct 4, 2015	57	39	4
Jan 23-Mar 16, 2014	56	40	4
Dec 3-8, 2013	55	39	6
Feb 22-Mar 14, 2011	55	39	6
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010 (RVs)	61	35	4
December, 2008	53	40	7

**Q25a CONTINUED ...**

	Government is almost always wasteful and inefficient	Government often does a better job than people give it credit for	(VOL.) Both/Neither/ DK/Ref
October, 2008	57	35	8
September, 2005	56	39	5
December, 2004	47	45	8
June, 2003	48	46	6
September, 2000	52	40	8
August, 1999	51	43	6
June, 1997	59	36	5
October, 1996	56	39	5
April, 1995	63	34	3
October, 1994	64	32	4
July, 1994	66	31	3

**ASK ALL:**

b.

	Government regulation of business is necessary to <u>protect the public interest</u>	Government regulation of business usually does <u>more harm than good</u>	(VOL.) Both/Neither/ DK/Ref
Sep 5-16, 2019	48	44	7
Sep 18-24, 2018	49	43	8
Jun 8-Jul 9, 2017	50	45	5
Nov 30-Dec 5, 2016	45	48	7
Aug 9-16, 2016	44	51	5
Aug 27-Oct 4, 2015	45	50	5
Jan 23-Mar 16, 2014	47	47	5
Feb 8-12, 2012 <sup>5</sup>	40	52	7
Feb 22-Mar 14, 2011	47	45	8
December, 2008	47	43	10
October, 2008	50	38	12
January, 2008	41	50	9
December, 2004	49	41	10
July, 2002	54	36	10
February, 2002	50	41	9
August, 1999	48	44	8
October, 1996	45	46	9
October, 1995	45	50	5
April, 1995	43	51	6
October, 1994	38	55	7
July, 1994	41	54	5

**ASK ALL:**

c.

	Poor people today have it easy because they can get government benefits without doing anything in <u>return</u>	Poor people have hard lives because government benefits don't go far enough to help them live <u>decently</u>	(VOL.) Both/Neither/ DK/Ref
Sep 5-16, 2019	36	52	12
Jun 8-Jul 9, 2017	38	53	9
Aug 27-Oct 4, 2015	42	48	11
Jan 23-Mar 16, 2014	44	47	9

<sup>5</sup> In Feb 8-12, 2012 survey, question was asked as a stand-alone item.

**Q.25c CONTINUED...**

	Poor people today have it easy because they can get government benefits without doing anything in <u>return</u>	Poor people have hard lives because government benefits don't go far enough to help them live <u>decently</u>	(VOL.) Both/Neither/ DK/Ref
Dec 3-8, 2013	43	43	14
May 1-5, 2013	45	44	11
Feb 22-Mar 14, 2011	41	47	12
January, 2008	34	52	14
December, 2005	35	51	14
September, 2005	38	51	11
December, 2004	34	52	14
June, 2003	34	55	11
August, 1999	45	42	13
June, 1997	45	42	13
October, 1996	46	40	14
October, 1995	54	36	10
April, 1995	52	39	9
October, 1994	48	41	11
July, 1994	53	39	8

**ASK ALL:**

	The government should do more to help needy Americans, even if it means going deeper into <u>debt</u>	The government today can't afford to do much <u>more to help the needy</u>	(VOL.) Both/Neither/ DK/Ref
d.			
Sep 5-16, 2019	52	40	7
Jun 8-18, 2017	50	43	7
Aug 9-16, 2016	49	45	5
Aug 27-Oct 4, 2015	46	47	7
Jan 23-Mar 16, 2014	43	51	6
Feb 22-Mar 14, 2011	41	51	8
December, 2008	55	35	10
October, 2008	51	37	12
April, 2007	63	28	9
December, 2004	57	33	10
August, 1999	57	35	8
October, 1996	46	44	10
April, 1996	49	44	7
October, 1995	47	47	6
April, 1995	46	47	7
October, 1994	50	43	7
July, 1994	48	47	5

**NO ITEM e****ASK ALL:**

	Racial discrimination is the main reason why many black people can't get <u>ahead these days</u>	Blacks who can't get ahead in this country are mostly responsible for <u>their own condition</u>	(VOL.) Both/Neither/ DK/Ref
f.			
Sep 5-16, 2019	39	48	13
Jun 8-18, 2017	41	49	10
Aug 23-Sep 2, 2016	32	54	15
Aug 27-Oct 4, 2015	30	58	12



**Q.25f CONTINUED...**

	Racial discrimination is the main reason why many black people can't get <u>ahead these days</u>	Blacks who can't get ahead in this country are mostly responsible for <u>their own condition</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> Both/Neither/ DK/Ref
Jan 23-Mar 16, 2014	27	63	10
Jan 4-8, 2012	21	60	19
Feb 22-Mar 14, 2011	26	60	14
Oct 28-Nov 30, 2009	18	67	15
September, 2005	26	59	15
December, 2004	27	60	13
June, 2003	24	64	12
September, 2000	31	54	15
August, 1999	28	59	13
October, 1997	25	61	14
June, 1997	33	54	13
October, 1996	28	58	14
October, 1995	37	53	10
April, 1995	34	56	10
October, 1994	34	54	12
July, 1994	32	59	9

**ASK ALL:**

	Immigrants today strengthen our country because of their hard work <u>and talents</u>	Immigrants today are a burden on our country because they take our jobs, housing and health <u>care</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> Both/Neither/ DK/Ref
g.			
Sep 5-16, 2019	66	24	10
Jan 9-14, 2019	62	28	10
Jun 8-Jul 9, 2017	65	26	9
Nov 30-Dec 5, 2016	63	27	10
Mar 17-26, 2016	59	33	8
Aug 27-Oct 4, 2015	53	38	10
May 12-18, 2015	51	41	8
Jan 23-Mar 16, 2014	57	35	8
Dec 3-8, 2013	53	35	11
Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013	49	40	11
Mar 13-17, 2013	49	41	10
Jan 4-8, 2012	48	37	15
Feb 22-Mar 14, 2011	45	44	12
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010 (RVs)	44	42	14
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	42	45	13
Jun 16-20, 2010	39	50	11
Oct 28-Nov 30, 2009	46	40	14
October, 2006	41	41	18
March, 2006	41	52	7
December, 2005	45	44	11
December, 2004	45	44	11
June, 2003	46	44	10
September, 2000	50	38	12

**Q.25g CONTINUED...**

	Immigrants today strengthen our country because of their hard work <u>and talents</u>	Immigrants today are a burden on our country because they take our jobs, housing and health <u>care</u>	(VOL.) Both/Neither/ DK/Ref
August, 1999	46	44	10
October, 1997	41	48	11
June, 1997	41	48	11
April, 1997	38	52	10
June, 1996	37	54	9
July, 1994	31	63	6

**NO ITEM h****ASK ALL:**

i.	The best way to ensure peace is through military <u>strength</u>	Good diplomacy is the best way to ensure peace	(VOL.) Both/Neither/ DK/Ref
Sep 5-16, 2019	28	62	10
Jun 8-18, 2017	30	61	9
Aug 23-Sep 2, 2016	36	57	7
Aug 27-Oct 4, 2015	36	56	9
Jul 14-20, 2015	30	58	12
Jan 23-Mar 16, 2014	30	62	8
Dec 3-8, 2013	31	57	12
Feb 22-Mar 14, 2011	31	58	11
October, 2006	28	57	15
December, 2004	30	55	15
August, 1999	33	55	12
October, 1996	36	53	11
October, 1995	36	59	5
April, 1995	35	58	7
October, 1994	40	52	8
July, 1994	36	58	6

**NO ITEM j.****ASK ALL:**

k.	Most people who want to get ahead can make it if they're willing to work <u>hard</u>	Hard work and determination are no guarantee of success for <u>most people</u>	(VOL.) Both/Neither/ DK/Ref
Sep 5-16, 2019	65	32	3
Jun 8-Jul 9, 2017	61	36	3
Mar 17-26, 2016	62	36	2
Dec 8-13, 2015	60	37	3
Feb 18-22, 2015	64	33	2
Jan 23-Mar 16, 2014	65	32	3
Jan 15-19, 2014 (U)	60	38	3
Dec 7-11, 2011	58	40	3
Feb 22-Mar 14, 2011	62	34	4
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010 (RVs)	64	33	3
March, 2006	64	33	3
December, 2005	64	33	3

**Q.25k CONTINUED...**

	Most people who want to get ahead can make it if they're willing to work <u>hard</u>	Hard work and determination are no guarantee of success for <u>most people</u>	(VOL.) Both/Neither/ DK/Ref
December, 2004	68	28	4
September, 2000	73	24	3
August, 1999	74	23	3
July, 1994	68	30	2

**NO ITEM l or m****ASK ALL:**

n.	Business corporations make too much profit	Most corporations make a fiar and reasonable amount of profit	(VOL.) Both/Neither/ DK/Ref
Sep 5-16, 2019	56	38	6
Mar 20-25, 2019	56	39	5
Jun 8-Jul 9, 2017	59	36	5
Mar 17-26, 2016	58	37	5
Aug 27-Oct 4, 2015	57	38	5
Jan 23-Mar 16, 2014	56	39	4
Mar 13-17, 2013	53	41	6
Feb 22-Mar 14, 2011	54	39	7
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010 (RVs)	54	39	6
December, 2008	58	35	7
October, 2008	59	33	8
December, 2005	61	33	6
December, 2004	53	39	8
June, 2003	51	42	7
July, 2002	58	33	9
February, 2002	54	39	7
September, 2000	54	38	8
August, 1999	52	42	6
June, 1997	51	43	6
October, 1996	51	42	7
October, 1995	53	43	4
April, 1995	51	44	5
October, 1994	50	44	6
July, 1994	52	43	5

**NO QUESTIONS 26-28****ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=974]:**

Q.29F2 And in your view, has this country been successful more because of its **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]** or more because of its **[ITEM]?**

Sep 5-16 2019		Jun 8-18 2017	Sep 16- Oct 4 2015	Feb 12-26 2014
47	Ability to change	52	51	51
46	Reliance on long-standing principles	43	43	44
7	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	5	5	5

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=974]:**

Q.30 Next, would you say your overall opinion of **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]** is very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable? **[INTERVIEWERS: PROBE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN "NEVER HEARD OF" AND "CAN'T RATE."]** How about **[NEXT ITEM]? [IF NECESSARY: Just in general, is your overall opinion of [ITEM] very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable?] [INTERVIEWERS: PROBE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN "NEVER HEARD OF" AND "CAN'T RATE."]**

		----- Favorable -----			---- Unfavorable ----			(VOL.) Never heard of	(VOL.) Can't rate/ Ref
		Total	Very	Mostly	Total	Very	Mostly		
aF2.	The Republican Party								
	Sep 5-16, 2019	41	11	30	52	26	26	1	5
	July 10-15, 2019	45	12	33	52	27	24	*	3
	Jan 9-14, 2019	42	12	30	54	24	30	*	3
	Sep 18-24, 2018	43	10	33	52	26	27	*	4
	Mar 7-14, 2018	41	10	31	55	25	30	*	4
	Jun 8-18, 2017	40	10	31	54	27	26	*	5
	Apr 5-11, 2017	40	10	30	57	27	30	0	3
	Jan 4-9, 2017	47	12	35	49	20	29	*	5
	Oct 20-25, 2016	40	10	31	55	23	33	*	5
	Aug 9-16, 2016	38	9	29	56	26	31	0	6
	Jun 15-26, 2016	35	9	26	60	30	29	*	5
	Apr 12-19, 2016	33	9	24	62	32	30	*	5
	Aug 27-Oct 4, 2015	37	6	31	58	26	32	*	5
	Jul 14-20, 2015	32	7	26	60	28	32	*	7
	Jan 7-11, 2015	41	9	32	53	24	29	*	6
	Dec 3-7, 2014 (U)	37	9	28	57	26	32	*	6
	Oct 14-20, 2014	38	7	31	54	25	29	*	8
	Jan 23-Mar 16, 2014	37	7	30	55	24	31	*	7
	Dec 3-8, 2013 (U)	35	8	27	59	28	31	0	6
	Oct 9-13, 2013	38	5	32	58	26	32	*	4
	Jul 17-21, 2013	33	7	25	58	25	34	*	9
	Jun 12-16, 2013	40	8	32	55	23	33	*	5
	Jan 9-13, 2013	33	6	28	58	27	31	1	8
	Dec 5-9, 2012	36	7	28	59	23	36	*	5
	Sep 12-16, 2012	42	12	30	50	25	26	*	8
	Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	36	9	27	56	28	28	*	8
	Mar 7-11, 2012	36	7	30	56	27	29	*	8
	Jan 11-16, 2012	35	7	27	58	28	30	*	7
	Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	36	7	29	55	27	28	*	9
	Aug 17-21, 2011	34	5	29	59	27	32	*	7
	Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	42	9	32	51	22	28	1	7
	Feb 2-7, 2011	43	8	35	48	19	29	*	9
	Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	43	8	35	49	21	28	*	8
	July 1-5, 2010	39	10	29	49	24	25	*	12
	April 1-5, 2010	37	8	29	53	26	27	*	9
	Mar 18-21, 2010	37	5	32	51	20	31	*	12
	Feb 3-9, 2010	46	5	41	46	14	32	0	8
	Aug 20-27, 2009	40	6	34	50	19	31	*	10
	Aug 11-17, 2009	40	7	33	50	18	32	*	10
	Mar 31-Apr 6, 2009	40	7	33	51	17	34	0	9
	Jan 7-11, 2009	40	5	35	55	21	34	*	5
	Late October, 2008	40	10	30	50	23	27	*	10
	Mid-September, 2008	47	11	36	46	22	24	*	7
	August, 2008	43	9	34	49	18	31	1	7
	Late May, 2008	39	7	32	53	20	33	*	8
	July, 2007	39	7	32	53	22	31	0	8
	Early January, 2007	41	9	32	48	21	27	1	10
	Late October, 2006	41	9	32	50	20	30	*	9
	July, 2006	40	10	30	52	23	29	1	7

## Q.30aF2 CONTINUED...

	----- Favorable -----			----- Unfavorable -----			(VOL.) Never heard of	(VOL.) Can't rate/ Ref
	Total	Very	Mostly	Total	Very	Mostly		
April, 2006	40	10	30	50	21	29	*	10
February, 2006	44	11	33	50	24	26	*	6
Late October, 2005	42	12	30	49	24	25	*	9
July, 2005	48	13	35	43	18	25	*	9
June, 2005	48	11	37	44	20	24	0	8
December, 2004	52	15	37	42	17	25	0	6
June, 2004	51	12	39	40	14	26	0	9
Early February, 2004	52	14	38	42	16	26	*	6
June, 2003	58	14	44	33	10	23	0	9
April, 2003	63	14	49	31	10	21	*	6
December, 2002	59	18	41	33	11	22	*	8
July, 2001	48	11	37	42	15	27	*	10
January, 2001	56	13	43	35	13	22	*	9
September, 2000 (RVs)	53	11	42	40	12	28	0	7
August, 1999	53	8	45	43	12	31	*	4
February, 1999	44	7	37	51	15	36	0	5
January, 1999	44	10	34	50	23	27	0	6
Early December, 1998	46	11	35	47	20	27	*	7
Early October, 1998 (RVs)	52	9	43	42	14	28	0	6
Early September, 1998	56	9	47	37	11	26	*	7
March, 1998	50	10	40	43	12	31	*	7
August, 1997	47	9	38	47	11	36	*	6
June, 1997	51	8	43	42	11	31	1	6
January, 1997	52	8	44	43	10	33	*	5
October, 1995	52	10	42	44	16	28	*	4
December, 1994	67	21	46	27	8	19	*	6
July, 1994	63	12	51	33	8	25	*	4
May, 1993	54	12	42	35	10	25	0	11
July, 1992	46	9	37	48	17	31	*	6
bF2. The Democratic Party								
Sep 5-16, 2019	47	11	35	48	27	22	*	5
July 10-15, 2019	45	10	35	52	27	24	0	3
Jan 9-14, 2019	49	12	38	47	25	21	*	4
Sep 18-24, 2018	53	13	40	42	20	22	*	4
Mar 7-14, 2018	42	8	35	54	24	30	*	4
Jun 8-18, 2017	44	12	32	50	24	26	*	5
Apr 5-11, 2017	45	11	34	51	26	25	*	4
Jan 4-9, 2017	51	13	38	45	18	26	*	4
Oct 20-25, 2016	52	15	37	45	22	22	*	4
Aug 9-16, 2016	49	15	35	46	22	24	*	5
Jun 15-26, 2016	49	17	33	46	23	23	*	5
Apr 12-19, 2016	45	14	31	50	27	23	*	4
Aug 27-Oct 4, 2015	45	10	35	50	24	26	*	5
Jul 14-20, 2015	48	12	36	47	22	25	0	5
Jan 7-11, 2015	46	12	34	48	21	28	*	6
Dec 3-7, 2014 (U)	41	11	30	54	26	28	*	5
Oct 15-20, 2014	47	11	35	46	21	25	*	7
Jan 23-Mar 16, 2014	46	12	34	47	23	24	*	7
Dec 3-8, 2013 (U)	47	15	32	48	24	24	*	5
Oct 9-13, 2013	47	9	39	48	22	27	0	4
Jul 17-21, 2013	41	10	31	50	23	28	*	9
Jun 12-16, 2013	51	14	37	45	19	26	0	5
Jan 9-13, 2013	47	13	34	46	18	28	*	7
Dec 5-9, 2012	48	11	37	47	23	25	1	4
Sep 12-16, 2012	53	21	32	40	18	22	*	7
Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	47	14	33	45	21	24	*	8

## Q.30bF2 CONTINUED...

	----- Favorable -----			----- Unfavorable -----			(VOL.) Never	(VOL.) Can't rate/
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>Mostly</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>Mostly</u>	<u>heard of</u>	<u>Ref</u>
Mar 7-11, 2012	49	14	36	43	18	25	*	7
Jan 11-16, 2012	43	13	29	51	23	28	*	7
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	46	13	32	45	19	26	*	9
Aug 17-21, 2011	43	9	34	50	21	29	*	7
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	48	14	34	45	18	27	*	6
Feb 2-7, 2011	47	13	35	46	17	29	*	6
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	50	13	36	44	20	24	*	7
July 1-5, 2010	44	12	31	45	22	23	*	11
April 1-5, 2010	38	9	29	52	27	25	*	9
Mar 18-21, 2010	40	8	32	49	25	24	*	11
Feb 3-9, 2010	48	9	39	44	17	27	*	8
Aug 20-27, 2009	48	11	37	43	19	24	*	10
Aug 11-17, 2009	49	12	37	40	16	25	*	10
Mar 31-Apr 6, 2009	59	15	44	34	13	21	*	7
Jan 7-11, 2009	62	19	43	32	12	20	*	6
Late October, 2008	57	19	38	33	15	18	*	10
Mid-September, 2008	55	18	37	39	14	25	*	6
August, 2008	57	16	41	37	13	24	*	6
Late May, 2008	57	14	43	37	14	23	*	6
July, 2007	51	13	38	41	14	27	0	8
Early January, 2007	54	15	39	35	12	23	*	11
Late October, 2006	53	13	40	36	11	25	*	11
July, 2006	47	13	34	44	13	31	2	7
April, 2006	47	12	35	42	14	28	*	11
February, 2006	48	14	34	44	17	27	0	8
Late October, 2005	49	14	35	41	15	26	*	10
July, 2005	50	15	35	41	14	27	*	9
June, 2005	52	12	40	39	13	26	*	9
December, 2004	53	13	40	41	14	27	*	6
June, 2004	54	12	42	36	11	25	0	10
Early February, 2004	58	14	44	37	9	28	*	5
June, 2003	54	11	43	38	10	28	0	8
April, 2003	57	13	44	36	11	25	*	7
December, 2002	54	15	39	37	10	27	*	9
July, 2001	58	18	40	34	10	24	*	8
January, 2001	60	18	42	30	9	21	1	9
September, 2000 (RVs)	60	16	44	35	12	23	*	5
August, 1999	59	14	45	37	9	28	*	4
February, 1999	58	11	47	37	11	26	0	5
January, 1999	55	14	41	38	12	26	0	7
Early December, 1998	59	18	41	34	10	24	0	7
Early October, 1998 (RVs)	56	11	45	38	9	29	*	6
Early September, 1998	60	13	47	33	8	25	*	7
March, 1998	58	15	43	36	10	26	*	6
August, 1997	52	11	41	42	10	32	0	6
June, 1997	61	10	51	33	8	25	*	6
January, 1997	60	13	47	35	7	28	*	5
October, 1995	49	9	40	48	11	37	0	3
December, 1994	50	13	37	44	13	31	*	6
July, 1994	62	13	49	34	7	27	*	4
May, 1993	57	14	43	34	9	25	0	9
July, 1992	61	17	44	33	9	24	*	6

NO QUESTION 31

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=1,030]:**

Q.32F1 Which of these statements best describes your opinion about the United States? **[READ IN ORDER; REVERSE ORDER FOR HALF OF SAMPLE]**

	The U.S. stands above all other countries <u>in the world</u>	The U.S. is one of the greatest countries in the world, along <u>with some others</u>	There are other countries better <u>than the U.S.</u>	(VOL.) DK/Ref
Sep 5-16, 2019	29	52	17	2
Jun 8-18, 2017	29	56	14	1
Sep 16-Oct 4, 2015	32	52	15	1
Feb 27-Mar 16, 2014	28	58	12	1
Mar 8-14, 2011	38	53	8	2

**ASK ALL:**

Q.33 If you had to choose, would you rather have a smaller government providing fewer services, or a bigger government providing more services?

	Smaller government, <u>fewer services</u>	Bigger government, <u>more services</u>	(VOL.) Depends	(VOL.) DK/Ref
Sep 5-16, 2019	48	46	3	3
Mar 20-24, 2019	47	47	4	2
Apr 25-May 1, 2018	46	46	5	4
Jun 27-Jul 9, 2017	45	48	2	4
Apr 5-11, 2017	45	48	2	4
Aug 23-Sep 2, 2016	50	41	4	5
Sep 22-27, 2015	53	38	3	6
Sep 2-9, 2014	50	42	3	5
Sep 4-8, 2013	51	40	2	7
Sep 12-16, 2012	51	40	4	6
Jan 4-8, 2012	52	39	2	7
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	48	41	2	8
Mar 8-14, 2011	50	42	3	5
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	50	42	3	5
Apr 1-5, 2010	50	39	4	8
Feb 3-9, 2010	50	40	3	7
Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009	51	40	4	6
Mar 9-12, 2009	48	40	3	9
Late October 2008	42	43	4	11
November 2007	47	42	4	7
January 2007	45	43	4	8
<i>LA Times/Bloomberg</i> : January 2006	49	38	--	13
<i>LA Times</i> : January 2005	52	36	--	12
<i>ABC/Wash Post</i> : June 2004	50	46	--	4
<i>CBS/NYT</i> : November 2003	45	42	4	9
<i>CBS/NYT</i> : July 2003	48	40	5	7
<i>ABC</i> : November 2002 ( <i>Likely voters</i> )	60	35	--	5
<i>Wash Post</i> : September 2002	54	39	--	7
<i>ABC/Wash Post</i> : July 2002	53	42	--	6
<i>ABC/Wash Post</i> : January 2002	54	41	--	5
<i>CBS/NYT</i> : January 2002	46	40	3	11
<i>LA Times</i> : November 2001	48	41	--	11
<i>CBS/NYT</i> : October 2001	48	39	3	11
<i>LA Times</i> : March 2001	59	29	--	12
<i>CBS</i> : January 2001	51	36	5	8
<i>CBS</i> : November 2000	54	31	5	10
<i>CBS</i> : October 2000	57	32	5	6
<i>ABC/Wash Post</i> : October 2000 ( <i>RV</i> )	58	32	--	10
<i>ABC/Wash Post</i> : Early October 2000 ( <i>RV</i> )	58	33	--	9
<i>LA Times</i> : September 2000 ( <i>RV</i> )	59	26	--	15
<i>ABC/Wash Post</i> : July 2000	59	34	--	7

**Q.33 CONTINUED...**

	Smaller government, fewer services	Bigger government, more services	(VOL.) Depends	(VOL.) DK/Ref
<i>ABC/Wash Post</i> : April 2000	56	38	--	7
<i>CBS</i> : September 1999	46	43	5	6
<i>ABC/Wash Post</i> : August 1998	59	35	--	6
<i>ABC/Wash Post</i> : August 1996	63	32	--	5
<i>LA Times</i> : April 1996	62	28	--	10
<i>CBS/NYT</i> : February 1996	61	30	4	5
<i>LA Times</i> : October 1995	68	23	--	9
<i>LA Times</i> : September 1995	62	27	--	11
<i>LA Times</i> : January 1995	63	27	--	10
<i>LA Times</i> : June 1993	60	29	--	11
<i>ABC/Wash Post</i> : February 1993	67	30	--	2
<i>ABC/Wash Post</i> : July 1992	55	38	--	7
<i>CBS/NYT</i> : October 1991	42	43	7	8
<i>CBS/NYT</i> : January 1989 <sup>6</sup>	41	48	4	7
<i>CBS/NYT</i> : October 1988 ( <i>Likely voters</i> )	47	37	7	9
<i>ABC/Wash Post</i> : July 1988	49	45	--	6
<i>CBS/NYT</i> : May 1988	43	44	5	8
<i>ABC/Wash Post</i> : July 1984	49	43	--	7
<i>CBS/NYT</i> : March 1980	54	32	--	14
<i>CBS/NYT</i> : June 1978	53	36	--	11
<i>Wash Post</i> : January 1978	40	39	--	21
<i>CBS/NYT</i> : November 1976	42	45	--	13
<i>CBS/NYT</i> : October 1976 ( <i>RV</i> )	49	37	--	14
<i>CBS/NYT</i> : September 1976 ( <i>RV</i> )	48	41	--	11
<i>CBS/NYT</i> : June 1976	42	43	--	15
<i>CBS/NYT</i> : May 1976	41	43	--	16
<i>CBS/NYT</i> : April 1976	40	44	--	16

**NO QUESTIONS 34-39****ASK ALL:**

On a different subject...

- Q.40 Please tell me how much discrimination there is against each of these groups in our society today. How about...**[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]**? Would you say there is a lot of discrimination, some, only a little, or none at all? And how much discrimination is there against **[INSERT NEXT ITEM]**, **[IF NECESSARY: a lot, some, only a little, or none at all]**?

	<u>A lot</u>	<u>Some</u>	<u>Only a little</u>	<u>None at all</u>	(VOL.) DK/Ref
<b>ASK ALL:</b>					
a. Blacks					
Sep 5-16, 2019	42	36	15	6	2
Mar 20-25, 2019	46	34	14	5	1
Nov 30-Dec 5, 2016	41	35	17	6	1
<b>TRENDS FOR COMPARISON:</b>					
<i>African Americans</i>					
May 1-5, 2013	22	39	27	9	3
Oct 28-Nov 30, 2009 ( <i>SDT</i> )	18	51	21	6	3
<i>WaPo/Kaiser/Harvard</i> : April 2001	25	49	16	7	3
b. Hispanics					
Sep 5-16, 2019	38	37	16	6	2
Mar 20-25, 2019	39	37	16	6	2
Nov 30-Dec 5, 2016	32	38	20	8	2

<sup>6</sup>. In 1989 and earlier, CBS/NYT question read, "In general, government grows bigger as it provides more services. If you had to choose, would you rather have a smaller government providing less services or a bigger government providing more services?"



**Q.40 CONTINUED...**

	<u>A lot</u>	<u>Some</u>	<u>Only a little</u>	<u>None at all</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
<b>TRENDS FOR COMPARISON:</b>					
<i>Hispanic Americans</i>					
May 1-5, 2013	25	40	23	8	3
Oct 28-Nov 30, 2009 (SDT)	23	47	19	6	5
WaPo/Kaiser/Harvard: April 2001	19	47	23	8	3
c. Whites					
Sep 5-16, 2019	14	26	30	29	2
Mar 20-25, 2019	13	27	29	29	2
Nov 30-Dec 5, 2016	14	25	28	33	1
<b>NO ITEM d</b>					
e. Jews					
Sep 5-16, 2019	21	37	24	13	4
Mar 20-25, 2019	24	39	21	11	4
Nov 30-Dec 5, 2016	13	31	32	19	5
f. Muslims					
Sep 5-16, 2019	51	29	11	5	4
Mar 20-25, 2019	56	26	9	6	4
Nov 30-Dec 5, 2016	57	25	10	6	3
<b>TREND FOR COMPARISON:</b>					
<i>Muslim Americans</i>					
May 1-5, 2013	45	28	13	6	8
g. Evangelical Christians					
Sep 5-16, 2019	16	30	25	22	6
Mar 20-25, 2019	18	32	23	23	5
Nov 30-Dec 5, 2016	15	27	27	26	5
<b>ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=1,030]:</b>					
hF1. Gays and lesbians					
Sep 5-16, 2019	39	35	15	8	3
Mar 20-25, 2019	42	33	15	7	4
Nov 30-Dec 5, 2016	43	33	15	7	2
May 1-5, 2013	39	33	18	5	4
Oct 28-Nov 30, 2009 (SDT)	45	33	12	5	6
<b>ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=974]:</b>					
iF2. Men					
Sep 5-16, 2019	12	26	32	28	2
Mar 20-25, 2019	11	28	27	32	2
jF2. Women					
Sep 5-16, 2019	28	39	24	8	*
Mar 20-25, 2019	29	40	19	10	1
Nov 30-Dec 5, 2016	23	37	24	15	1
May 1-5, 2013	15	35	32	16	2
Oct 28-Nov 30, 2009 (SDT)	13	43	29	12	2
WaPo/Kaiser/Harvard: April 2001	14	46	27	13	1

**NO QUESTIONS 41-49**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.50 Now I'm going to read a few more pairs of statements. Again, just tell me whether the FIRST statement or the SECOND statement comes closer to your own views — even if neither is exactly right. The first pair is **[READ AND RANDOMIZE PAIRS BUT NOT STATEMENTS WITHIN EACH PAIR]**. Next, **[NEXT PAIR]**. **[IF NECESSARY: "Which statement comes closer to your views, even if neither is exactly right?"]**

**ASK ALL:**

r.	Stricter environmental laws and regulations cost too many jobs and hurt <u>the economy</u>	Stricter environmental laws and regulations are <u>worth the cost</u>	(VOL.) Both/Neither/DK/Ref
Sep 5-16, 2019	35	61	5
Jan 9-14, 2019	30	63	6
Jun 8-Jul 9, 2017	37	59	5
Nov 30-Dec 5, 2016	34	59	7
Aug 23-Sep 2, 2016	39	54	7
Aug 27-Oct 4, 2015	36	59	4
Jan 23-Mar 16, 2014	39	56	5
Feb 22-Mar 14, 2011	39	53	7
November, 2007	27	63	10
July, 2006	31	57	12
March, 2006	29	65	6
December, 2005	37	56	7
December, 2004	31	60	9
September, 2000	31	61	8
August, 1999	28	65	7
October, 1996	30	63	7
October, 1995	35	61	4
April, 1995	39	57	4
October, 1994	32	62	6
July, 1994	33	62	5

**NO ITEM s****ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=974]:**

tF2.	As Americans, we can always find ways to solve our problems and get <u>what we want</u>	This country can't solve many of its important <u>problems</u>	(VOL.) Both/Neither/DK/Ref
Sep 5-16, 2019	59	37	4
Aug 9-16, 2016	63	33	3
Feb 27-Mar 16 2014	47	50	3
Dec 7-11, 2011	60	36	3
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	57	37	6
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010 (RVs)	54	42	5
December, 2008	68	27	5
October, 2008	64	29	7
December, 2004	59	36	5
September, 2000	59	36	5
August, 1999	63	32	5
July, 1994	52	45	3

**ASK ALL:**

u.	Homosexuality should be <u>accepted by society</u>	Homosexuality should be <u>discouraged by society</u>	(VOL.) Both/Neither/DK/Ref
Sep 5-16, 2019	68	23	8
Jun 8-Jul 9, 2017	70	24	7

**Q.50u CONTINUED...**

	Homosexuality should be <u>accepted by society</u>	Homosexuality should be <u>discouraged by society</u>	(VOL.) Both/Neither/ <u>DK/Ref</u>
Apr 12-19, 2016	63	28	10
Aug 27-Oct 4, 2015	60	30	9
May 12-18, 2015	63	30	6
Jan 23-Mar 16, 2014	62	31	7
May 1-5, 2013	60	31	8
Mar 13-17, 2013	57	36	7
Jan 4-8, 2012	56	32	12
Feb 22-Mar 14, 2011	58	33	8
October, 2006 <sup>7</sup>	51	38	11
December, 2004	49	44	7
June, 2003	47	45	8
September, 2000	50	41	9
August, 1999	49	44	7
October, 1997	46	48	6
June, 1997	45	50	5
October, 1996	44	49	7
April, 1996	44	49	7
October, 1995	45	50	5
April, 1995	47	48	5
October, 1994	46	48	6
July, 1994	46	49	5
<b>ASK ALL:</b>	It IS NOT necessary to believe in God in order to be moral and have good <u>values</u>	It IS necessary to believe in God in order to be moral and have good <u>values</u>	(VOL.) Both/Neither/ <u>DK/Ref</u>
v.			
Sep 5-16, 2019	59	39	2
Jun 8-Jul 9, 2017	56	42	2
Jan 23-Mar 16, 2014	53	45	2
Feb 22-Mar 14, 2011	49	48	3
December, 2004	46	51	3
March, 2002	50	47	3
<b>ASK ALL:</b>	In foreign policy, the U.S. should take into account the interests of its allies even if it means making <u>compromises with them</u>	In foreign policy, the U.S. should follow its OWN national interests even when its allies <u>strongly disagree</u>	(VOL.) Both/Neither/ <u>DK/Ref</u>
w.			
Sep 5-16, 2019	59	36	5
Mar 20-25, 2019	54	40	5
Sep 18-24, 2018	55	38	7
Jun 8-Jul 9, 2017	59	36	5
Apr 12-19, 2016	51	42	7
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011 <sup>8</sup>	53	36	11
December, 2004	53	37	10

<sup>7</sup> In October, 2006 and earlier, both answer choices began: "Homosexuality is a way of life that should be..."

<sup>8</sup> In Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011 and before, item was asked as part of a list with follow-up asking whether respondents felt strongly or not strongly about their position.

**Q.50 CONTINUED...****ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=1,030]:**

	It's best for the future of our country to be active in <u>world affairs</u>	We should pay less attention to problems overseas and concentrate <u>on problems here at home</u>	(VOL.) Both/Neither/ DK/Ref
xF1.			
Sep 5-16, 2019	48	47	5
Mar 20-25, 2019	44	49	6
Jun 8-Jul 9, 2017	47	47	6
Jan 23-Mar 16, 2014	35	60	5
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	33	58	8
December, 2004	44	49	7

**ASK ALL:**

	The growing number of newcomers from other countries threatens traditional American <u>customs and values</u>	The growing number of newcomers from other countries strengthens <u>American society</u>	(VOL.) Both/Neither/ DK/Ref
y.			
Sep 5-16, 2019	33	61	6
Dec 8-13, 2015	42	51	7
Jan 23-Mar 16, 2014	35	59	6
Mar 13-17, 2013	43	52	6
Feb 22-Mar 14, 2011	39	52	9
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	38	49	13
Jun 16-20, 2010	44	44	12
November, 2007	50	40	10
March, 2006	48	45	7
December, 2004	40	50	10

**ASK ALL:**

Q.50z Next, **[RANDOMIZE]**. **[IF NECESSARY:** "Which statement comes closer to your views, even if neither is exactly right?"**]**

	The economic system in this country unfairly favors <u>powerful interests</u>	The economic system in this country is generally fair <u>to most Americans</u>	(VOL.) DK/Ref
Sep 5-16, 2019	60	37	3
Mar 20-25, 2019	63	34	3
Sep 18-24, 2018	63	33	4
Jun 8-Jul 9, 2017	65	32	3
Mar 17-26, 2016	66	31	2
Aug 27-Oct 4, 2015	65	31	3
Feb 18-22, 2015	62	33	4
Jan 29-Feb 9, 2014	62	34	4

**NO QUESTIONS 51-54**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.55 Is your overall opinion of **[INSERT ITEM, RANDOMIZE ITEMS]** very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable? How about **[NEXT ITEM]? [IF NECESSARY: would you say your overall opinion of [ITEM] is very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable?] [INTERVIEWERS: PROBE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN "NEVER HEARD OF" AND "CAN'T RATE."]**

<b>ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=1,030]:</b>	----- Favorable -----			----- Unfavorable -----			(VOL.) Never	(VOL.) Can't rate/ Ref
	Total	Very	Mostly	Total	Very	Mostly	heard of	
aF1. The Federal Bureau of Investigation, the FBI								
Sep 5-16, 2019	70	20	50	22	11	11	*	7
July 11-15, 2018	65	26	39	26	11	14	1	8
Feb 7-11, 2018	66	25	41	23	9	13	2	9
Jan 5-8, 2017	69	22	47	16	6	10	*	15
Aug 23-Sep 2, 2016	71	18	52	21	8	12	*	8
Sep 22-27, 2015	68	18	49	19	8	11	1	13
Mar 18-21, 2010	67	16	51	14	8	7	*	19
July, 2001	61	16	45	29	9	20	*	10
June, 1999	71	17	54	20	7	13	*	9
October, 1997	67	13	54	25	8	17	*	8
May, 1997	60	12	48	28	7	21	0	12
August, 1995	64	16	48	28	9	19	*	8
ABC/Wash. Post, May 1995 <sup>9</sup>	82	34	48	9	6	3	*	9
Roper, August 1987 <sup>10</sup>	78	28	50	17	3	14	--	5
Roper, August 1986	75	25	50	17	4	13	--	8
Roper, August 1985	72	24	48	20	5	15	--	8
Roper, August 1984	77	30	47	19	5	14	--	4
Roper, August 1983	75	29	46	19	5	14	--	6
bF1. The Central Intelligence Agency, the CIA								
Sep 5-16, 2019	65	16	49	23	9	14	1	10
July 11-15, 2018	61	22	40	24	9	15	2	12
Feb 7-11, 2018	64	19	45	20	5	14	2	14
Jan 5-8, 2017	62	17	45	17	7	11	1	20
Sep 22-27, 2015	57	12	45	27	9	18	1	15
Jan 7-11, 2015	54	14	41	33	13	20	1	12
Mar 18-21, 2010	52	11	42	21	8	13	2	25
June, 1999	49	9	40	33	10	23	1	17
February, 1998	51	7	44	32	7	25	1	16
Roper, August 1987	52	12	40	38	9	29	--	10
Roper, August 1986	61	14	47	26	6	20	--	13
Roper, August 1985	53	15	38	33	11	22	--	15
Roper, August 1984	58	17	41	30	8	22	--	11
cF1. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the CDC								
Sep 5-16, 2019	80	30	50	12	5	7	2	6
Feb 7-11, 2018	78	30	48	11	3	8	2	9
Aug 23-Sep 2, 2016	79	25	53	14	4	10	2	6
Sep 22-27, 2015	71	23	48	19	6	13	2	9
Jan 7-11, 2015	70	25	44	23	10	13	2	5
Oct 9-13, 2013	75	27	47	14	5	8	2	9

<sup>9</sup> Question was worded: "Please tell me if you have a favorable or unfavorable impression of...the FBI (Federal Bureau of Investigation)...Is that a very favorable/unfavorable impression, or just somewhat favorable/unfavorable?"

<sup>10</sup> Question wording for all favorability trends from the Roper Organization was: "Let me ask you about a few specific federal agencies [ITEM]—Is your opinion of them highly favorable, or moderately favorable, or not too favorable, or rather unfavorable?" In these surveys, those who could not rate were not distinguished from those who had never heard of the agency; both were entered as "don't know" and are shown here as "can't rate".

**Q.55cF1 CONTINUED...**

			----- Favorable -----			----- Unfavorable -----			(VOL.) Never heard of	(VOL.) Can't rate/ Ref
			<u>Total</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>Mostly</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>Mostly</u>		
	Mar 18-21, 2010		67	15	52	16	5	10	2	15
	February, 1998		79	20	59	11	2	9	1	9
dF1.	The Social Security Administration									
	Sep 5-16, 2019		66	19	47	28	10	18	1	4
	Sep 22-27, 2015		55	13	42	37	16	20	1	7
	Mar 18-21, 2010		49	9	40	39	17	22	0	12
	October, 1997		62	11	51	34	10	24	0	4
eF1.	The Census Bureau									
	Sep 5-16, 2019		69	16	53	16	5	11	4	10
	July 11-15, 2018		69	19	50	16	7	9	4	11
fF1.	The Federal Reserve									
	Sep 5-16, 2019		65	14	51	23	9	15	3	9
	Feb 7-11, 2018		63	15	48	19	6	13	3	15
	Jan 5-8, 2017		58	15	43	21	9	13	2	18
	Feb 12-26, 2014		47	10	37	37	14	23	2	14
	Oct 9-13, 2013		57	12	45	32	12	20	1	10
gF1.	The National Park Service									
	Sep 5-16, 2019		86	36	50	7	3	4	2	5
	July 11-15, 2018		83	42	41	7	4	3	3	7
	Sep 22-27, 2015		75	27	47	11	4	7	2	12
	Feb 19-22, 1998		84	26	58	9	7	2	2	4
	Roper, 1987		80	37	43	11	8	3	--	9
	Roper, 1986		74	32	42	9	7	2	--	17
	Roper, 1985		79	39	40	7	5	2	--	15
	Roper, 1984		84	44	40	6	5	1	--	9
hF1.	The Department of Education									
	Sep 5-16, 2019		48	15	33	48	18	31	*	4
	Feb 7-11, 2018		53	18	35	42	16	26	*	5
	Jan 5-8, 2017		61	20	42	34	14	20	*	5
	Sep 22-27, 2015		44	11	33	50	20	30	*	5
	Oct 9-13, 2013		53	16	37	42	16	27	*	4
	Mar 18-21, 2010		40	8	32	53	22	31	6	8
	October, 1997		61	12	49	37	11	26	0	2
	Roper, April 1987		60	14	46	35	11	24	--	5
	Roper, April 1986		63	16	47	32	10	22	--	5
	Roper, April 1985		61	14	47	34	11	23	--	5
	Roper, April 1984		56	14	42	38	13	25	--	6
	Roper, April 1983		49	10	39	45	18	27	--	6
<b>ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=974]:</b>										
iF2.	The Justice Department									
	Sep 5-16, 2019		54	11	43	41	14	27	1	4
	July 11-15, 2018		58	20	38	35	13	22	1	6
	Feb 7-11, 2018		59	16	43	32	13	19	1	9
	Jan 5-8, 2017		61	17	44	30	11	19	*	9
	Aug 23-Sep 2, 2016		56	14	42	37	16	20	*	7
	Sep 22-27, 2015		46	10	37	47	18	29	*	6
	Oct 9-13, 2013		61	9	52	33	14	19	1	5
	Mar 18-21, 2010		51	6	44	33	11	23	1	15
	February, 1998		56	7	49	39	12	27	0	5
	Roper, April 1987		53	10	43	39	15	24	--	8

**Q.55iF2 CONTINUED...**

	----- Favorable -----			----- Unfavorable -----			(VOL.) Never heard of	(VOL.) Can't rate/ Ref
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>Mostly</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>Mostly</u>		
Roper, April 1986	52	10	42	39	15	24	--	8
Roper, April 1985	53	10	43	39	17	22	--	9
jF2. The Internal Revenue Service, the IRS								
Sep 5-16, 2019	55	9	46	40	16	24	1	4
July 11-15, 2018	57	13	44	36	15	21	1	6
Feb 7-11, 2018	58	14	44	33	13	20	*	8
Jan 5-8, 2017	58	13	45	33	16	17	*	8
Aug 23-Sep 2, 2016	50	11	39	45	21	24	*	5
Sep 22-27, 2015	42	9	32	52	24	28	*	6
Jan 7-11, 2015	45	10	35	48	24	25	*	6
Oct 9-13, 2013	44	9	35	51	23	28	*	5
Mar 18-21, 2010	47	6	41	40	17	23	*	13
October, 1997	38	5	33	60	25	35	*	2
Roper, August 1987	49	10	39	46	19	27	--	5
Roper, August 1986	51	10	41	45	19	26	--	4
Roper, August 1985	48	8	40	47	19	28	--	5
Roper, August 1984	60	13	47	34	11	23	--	6
Roper, August 1983	50	12	38	44	16	28	--	6
kF2. The Environmental Protection Agency, the EPA								
Sep 5-16, 2019	57	17	40	34	12	22	4	6
July 11-15, 2018	54	20	34	37	17	20	2	7
Feb 7-11, 2018	60	20	40	31	14	17	2	8
Jan 5-8, 2017	63	22	41	27	12	14	1	8
Aug 23-Sep 2, 2016	62	17	44	30	13	18	2	6
Sep 22-27, 2015	52	13	39	38	18	20	2	8
Jan 7-11, 2015	59	18	40	32	15	18	1	8
Feb 12-Feb 26, 2014	57	14	43	33	14	19	2	8
Oct 9-13, 2013	62	15	47	30	12	19	2	6
Mar 18-21, 2010	57	11	46	32	12	20	1	10
October, 1997	69	14	55	27	7	20	1	3
Roper, August 1987	62	19	43	30	7	23	--	8
Roper, August 1986	59	18	41	31	7	24	--	10
Roper, August 1985	58	19	39	31	11	20	--	11
Roper, August 1984	68	27	41	26	9	17	--	6
Roper, August 1983	56	21	35	34	12	22	--	10
IF2. The Immigration and Customs Enforcement, known as ICE								
Sep 5-16, 2019	42	17	25	54	28	25	*	4
July 11-15, 2018	44	19	25	47	28	19	2	7
mF2. The National Aeronautic and Space Administration, NASA								
Sep 5-16, 2019	81	34	46	10	4	6	1	9
Aug 23-Sep 2, 2016	73	28	46	12	4	8	2	13
Sep 22-27, 2015	70	23	47	17	4	13	1	12
Jan 7-11, 2015	68	24	43	17	6	11	1	15
Oct 9-13, 2013	73	22	51	15	3	12	*	12
Mar 18-21, 2010	61	19	41	17	5	12	1	21
February, 1998	73	23	50	20	5	15	1	6
Roper, August 1987	66	23	43	24	5	19	--	10
Roper, March 1986	61	23	38	30	11	19	--	9

**Q.55 CONTINUED...**

	----- Favorable -----			----- Unfavorable -----			(VOL.) Never	(VOL.) Can't rate/ Ref
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>Mostly</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>Mostly</u>	<u>heard of</u>	
nF2. The Department of Veterans Affairs, the VA								
Sep 5-16, 2019	52	14	38	38	12	27	3	7
Feb 7-11, 2018	57	20	37	30	10	20	2	11
Jan 5-8, 2017	49	14	36	34	13	21	2	15
Aug 23-Sep 2, 2016	48	14	34	43	18	25	1	8
Sep 22-27, 2015	39	14	25	52	24	28	1	8
Jan 7-11, 2015 <sup>11</sup>	52	21	31	38	15	24	1	9
Oct 9-13, 2013	68	24	44	25	7	18	*	7
Mar 18-21, 2010	57	19	38	22	5	17	2	20
February, 1998	59	15	44	26	7	19	1	14
Roper, August 1986	75	30	45	15	4	11	--	9
Roper, August 1985	68	26	42	22	6	16	--	10
Roper, August 1984	77	37	40	15	4	11	--	9
oF2. The Postal Service								
Sep 5-16, 2019	90	37	52	8	3	6	*	2
Feb 7-11, 2018	88	37	51	10	3	7	1	2
Jan 5-8, 2017	86	39	47	11	4	7	*	3
Sep 22-27, 2015	84	33	51	14	6	8	*	2
Mar 18-21, 2010	83	30	53	14	6	8	1	3
October, 1997	89	28	61	11	3	8	0	*
Roper, April 1987	76	33	43	22	8	14	--	2
Roper, April 1986	74	27	47	24	8	16	--	2
Roper, April 1985	70	23	47	27	11	16	--	3
Roper, April 1984	69	24	45	28	10	18	--	3
Roper, April 1983	70	25	45	27	10	17	--	3
pF2. The Department of Health and Human Services, the HHS								
Sep 5-16, 2019	64	15	49	27	8	19	2	7
July 11-15, 2018	60	19	42	28	10	18	3	9
Jan 5-8, 2017	64	21	44	24	8	15	1	11
Sep 22-27, 2015	54	13	41	31	14	17	3	12
Oct 9-13, 2013	61	14	47	30	12	19	2	7

**NO QUESTION 56-59**<sup>11</sup>

In January, 2015 and previous surveys, item was worded "The Veterans Administration, the VA."



**ASK ALL:**

Q.60 In the future, should U.S. policies try to keep it so America is the only military superpower, OR would it be acceptable if another country became as militarily powerful as the U.S.?

Sep 5-16 2019		Apr 12-19 2016
60	Should keep the U.S. as the only military superpower	55
33	Acceptable if another country became as militarily powerful	36
7	Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>	9

**TREND FOR COMPARISON:**

*In the future, should U.S. policies try to keep it so America is the only military superpower, OR would it be acceptable if China, another country or the European Union became as militarily powerful as the U.S.?*

	U.S. policies should keep U.S. as the only superpower	OK if China, another country, or the EU became as powerful	<b>(VOL.)</b> DK/Ref
Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013	56	32	11
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	57	29	14
Late October, 2005	50	35	15

**NO QUESTIONS 61-65****ASK ALL:**

Q.66 Do you strongly favor, favor, oppose or strongly oppose the death penalty for persons convicted of murder?

	-----FAVOR-----			-----OPPOSE-----			<b>(VOL.)</b>
	Strongly			Strongly			
	<u>Total</u>	<u>favor</u>	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>oppose</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>DK/Ref</u>
Sep 5-16, 2019	55	27	28	40	16	24	5
Apr 25-May 1, 2018	54	23	30	39	13	26	7
Aug 23-Sep 2, 2016	49	21	27	42	14	28	9
Mar 25-29, 2015	56	23	34	38	13	24	6
Nov 9-14, 2011	62	28	34	31	11	20	7
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011 <sup>12</sup>	58	--	--	36	--	--	6
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	62	30	32	30	10	20	8
August, 2007	62	29	33	32	11	21	6
Early January, 2007	64	30	34	29	11	18	7
March, 2006	65	27	38	27	8	19	8
December, 2005	62	--	--	30	--	--	8
Mid-July, 2003	64	28	36	30	10	20	6
March, 2002	67	33	34	26	9	17	7
March, 2001	66	30	36	27	10	17	7
September, 1999	74	41	33	22	7	15	4
June, 1996	78	43	35	18	7	11	4

**NO QUESTIONS 67-69**

<sup>12</sup> In all surveys October 2011 and before, the question was asked as part of a list, except in November-December 2005.

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=1,030]:**

Q.70F1 How fair do you think our present federal tax system is? Overall would you say that our tax system is **[READ IN ORDER]**

	<u>Very fair</u>	Moderately <u>fair</u>	Not too <u>fair</u>	Not fair <u>at all</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
Sep 5-16, 2019	4	37	29	28	2
Mar 20-25, 2019	5	41	30	23	2
Oct 25-30, 2017	3	38	32	26	1
Apr 5-11, 2017	2	40	29	27	1
Feb 18-22, 2015	4	46	24	24	1
Dec 7-11, 2011	3	40	31	24	3
CNN: Apr 9-11, 2010	4	45	30	20	1
NPR/Kaiser/Harvard: March 2003	4	47	32	16	1
Time/CNN: March 1997	3	42	31	23	2
Time/CNN: May 1985	2	41	31	24	2

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=974]:**

Q.71F2 Considering what you get from the federal government, do you think you pay more than your fair share of taxes, less than your fair share, or about the right amount?

	<u>More than fair share</u>	<u>Less than fair share</u>	<u>About the right amount</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
Sep 5-16, 2019	39	2	56	3
Apr 5-11, 2017	40	5	54	2
Sep 16-Oct 4, 2015	40	4	54	2
Feb 18-22, 2015	40	4	53	2
Dec 7-11, 2011	38	5	52	5
Mar 11-21, 2010	43	3	50	3
Feb, 2000	55	1	41	3
Oct, 1997	52	2	45	1

**TREND FOR COMPARISON**

*Considering what you get from the  
FEDERAL government, do you think  
you pay more than your fair share of  
federal taxes, less than your fair share,  
or about your fair share?*

NPR/Kaiser/Harvard: May, 2000 55 2 42 1

**NO QUESTIONS 72-74****ASK ALL:**

Q.75 Which statement comes closer to your own views even if neither is exactly right **[READ]**?

	The Islamic religion is more likely than others to encourage violence among <u>its believers</u>	The Islamic religion does not encourage violence <u>more than others</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> Both/Neither/ <u>DK/Ref</u>
Sep 5-16, 2019	40	49	11
Jun 8-18, 2017	43	49	8
Nov 30-Dec 5, 2016	41	49	10
Dec 8-13, 2015	46	45	9
Sep 2-9, 2014	50	39	11
Jul 8-14, 2014	43	44	13
Feb 12-26, 2014	38	50	12
May 1-5, 2013	42	46	13
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	40	42	18
Aug 19-22, 2010	35	42	24
Aug 11-17, 2009	38	45	16
August, 2007	45	39	16

**Q.75 CONTINUED...**

	The Islamic religion is more likely than others to encourage violence among <u>its believers</u>	The Islamic religion does not encourage violence <u>more than others</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> Both/Neither/ DK/Ref
July, 2005	36	47	17
July, 2004	46	37	17
Mid-July, 2003	44	41	15
March, 2002	25	51	24

**ASK ALL:**

Next,

Q.76 Do you think it is the responsibility of the federal government to make sure all Americans have health care coverage, or is that not the responsibility of the federal government?

	Yes, government <u>responsibility</u>	No, not government <u>responsibility</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> DK/Ref
Sep 5-16, 2019	56	42	2
July 10-15, 2019	53	44	3
Sep 18-24, 2018	60	37	3
Jan 4-9, 2017	60	38	2
Mar 17-26, 2016	51	46	2
Jan 23-Feb 9, 2014	47	50	3
Gallup: Nov 7-10, 2013	42	56	2
Gallup: Nov 15-18, 2012	44	54	2
Gallup: Nov 3-6, 2011	50	46	4
Gallup: Nov 4-7, 2010	47	50	3
Gallup: Nov 5-8, 2009	47	50	3
Gallup: November, 2008	54	41	5
Gallup: November, 2007	64	33	3
Gallup: November, 2006	69	28	3
Gallup: November, 2005	58	38	4
Gallup: November, 2004	64	34	2
Gallup: November, 2003	59	39	2
Gallup: November, 2002	62	35	3
Gallup: November, 2001	62	34	4
Gallup: September, 2000	64	31	5
Gallup: January, 2000	59	38	3

**NO QUESTIONS 77-79****ASK ALL:**

Next,

Q.80 What do you think is more important – to protect the right of Americans to own guns, OR to control gun ownership?

	Protect right of Americans <u>to own guns</u>	Control <u>gun ownership</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> DK/Ref
Sep 5-16, 2019	46	51	3
Sep 18-24, 2018	44	52	4
Apr 5-11, 2017	47	51	2
Aug 9-16, 2016	52	46	3
Jul 14-20, 2015	47	50	3
Dec 3-7, 2014	52	46	3
Jan 23-Feb 9, 2014	49	48	3
May 1-5, 2013	48	50	2
Feb 13-18, 2013 (U)	46	50	4
Jan 9-13, 2013	45	51	5
Dec 17-19, 2012	42	49	9
July 26-29, 2012	46	47	6
Apr 4-15, 2012	49	45	6
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	47	49	5

**Q.80 CONTINUED...**

	Protect right of Americans to own guns	Control gun ownership	(VOL.) DK/Ref
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	48	47	6
Jan 13-16, 2011	49	46	6
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	46	50	4
Mar 10-14, 2010	46	46	7
Mar 31-Apr 21, 2009	45	49	6
April, 2008	37	58	5
November, 2007	42	55	3
April, 2007	32	60	8
February, 2004	37	58	5
June, 2003	42	54	4
May, 2000	38	57	5
April, 2000	37	55	8
March, 2000	29	66	5
June, 1999	33	62	5
May, 1999	30	65	5
December, 1993	34	57	9

**NO QUESTIONS 81-83****ASK ALL:**

Q.84 Do you think the use of marijuana should be made legal, or not?

	<u>Yes, legal</u>	<u>No, illegal</u>	(VOL.) DK/Ref
Sep 5-16, 2019	65	32	3
Sep 18-24, 2018	62	34	4
Oct 25-30, 2017	61	37	3
Aug 23-Sep 2, 2016	57	37	5
March 25-29, 2015	53	44	3
Oct 15-20, 2014	52	45	3
Feb 12-26, 2014	54	42	3
Mar 13-17, 2013	52	45	3
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	45	50	5
Mar 10-14, 2010	41	52	7
<b>Gallup</b>			
October, 2012	48	50	1
October, 2011	50	46	3
October, 2010	46	50	4
October, 2009	44	54	2
October 2005	36	60	4
November, 2003	34	64	2
August, 2001	34	62	4
August, 2000	31	64	5
August, 1995	25	73	2
May, 1985	23	73	4
June, 1980	25	70	5
May, 1979	25	70	5
April, 1977	28	66	6
January, 1973	16	78	6
March, 1972	15	81	4
October, 1969	12	84	4
<b>General Social Survey</b>			
2012	43	49	8
2010	44	47	9
2008	35	57	8
2006	32	60	7
2004	33	59	9
2002	32	61	6

**Q.84 CONTINUED...**

	<u>Yes, legal</u>	<u>No, illegal</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
2000	31	63	6
1998	27	67	6
1996	25	70	5
1994	22	73	5
1993	22	73	5
1991	17	78	5
1990	16	81	3
1989	16	81	3
1988	17	79	4
1987	16	81	3
1986	17	80	2
1984	22	74	4
1983	19	77	3
1980	24	73	3
1978	30	66	4
1976	28	69	3
1975	20	74	5
1973	19	79	2

**ASK ALL:**

Q.85 Do you think of yourself as a member of a minority because of your religious beliefs, or not?

<u>Sep 5-16</u> <u>2019</u>		<u>Jun 15-26</u> <u>2016</u>	<u>Sep 2-9</u> <u>2014</u>	<u>Aug 11-17</u> <u>2009</u>	<u>Mar</u> <u>2001</u>
17	Yes	19	21	19	19
82	No	79	78	78	78
2	Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>	2	1	3	3

**ASK IF NOT MUSLIM (RELIG=1-5, 7-99) [N=1,982]**

Q.86 Would you be willing to accept Muslims as [READ AND RANDOMIZE]:

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>Depends</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
a. Members of your family Sep 5-16, 2019	79	15	3	4
b. Neighbors Sep 5-16, 2019	89	7	2	2

**ASK ALL:**

PARTY In politics TODAY, do you consider yourself a Republican, Democrat, or independent?

**ASK IF INDEP/NO PREF/OTHER/DK/REF (PARTY=3,4,5,9):**

PARTYLN As of today do you lean more to the Republican Party or more to the Democratic Party?

	<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>No</u> <u>preference</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>Other</u> <u>party</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>	<u>Lean</u> <u>Rep</u>	<u>Lean</u> <u>Dem</u>
Sep 5-16, 2019	26	29	39	2	1	2	15	18
July 10-15, 2019	28	30	36	3	1	2	15	17
Mar 20-25, 2019	26	30	37	3	1	3	14	19
Jan 9-14, 2019	25	31	40	2	1	2	16	18
Sep 18-24, 2018	25	32	37	3	1	2	15	18
Jun 5-12, 2018	25	31	38	3	1	2	15	18
Apr 25-May 1, 2018	27	28	38	4	1	2	14	19
Mar 7-14, 2018	26	28	41	3	*	1	17	18
Jan 10-15, 2018	26	33	34	3	1	3	12	18
<b>Yearly Totals</b>								
2018	25.7	30.8	37.6	3.0	.8	2.0	14.7	18.3

**PARTY/PARTYLN CONTINUED...**

				(VOL.)	(VOL.)	(VOL.)	Lean	Lean
	Republican	Democrat	Independent	No preference	Other party	DK/Ref	Rep	Dem
2017	23.6	31.4	39.4	3.3	.6	1.7	15.8	18.7
2016	25.4	32.0	36.5	3.4	.5	2.2	14.6	17.0
2015	23.7	30.4	40.1	3.6	.4	1.8	16.4	17.3
2014	23.2	31.5	39.5	3.1	.7	2.0	16.2	16.5
2013	23.9	32.1	38.3	2.9	.5	2.2	16.0	16.0
2012	24.7	32.6	36.4	3.1	.5	2.7	14.4	16.1
2011	24.3	32.3	37.4	3.1	.4	2.5	15.7	15.6
2010	25.2	32.7	35.2	3.6	.4	2.8	14.5	14.1
2009	23.9	34.4	35.1	3.4	.4	2.8	13.1	15.7
2008	25.7	36.0	31.5	3.6	.3	3.0	10.6	15.2
2007	25.3	32.9	34.1	4.3	.4	2.9	10.9	17.0
2006	27.8	33.1	30.9	4.4	.3	3.4	10.5	15.1
2005	29.3	32.8	30.2	4.5	.3	2.8	10.3	14.9
2004	30.0	33.5	29.5	3.8	.4	3.0	11.7	13.4
2003	30.3	31.5	30.5	4.8	.5	2.5	12.0	12.6
2002	30.4	31.4	29.8	5.0	.7	2.7	12.4	11.6
2001	29.0	33.2	29.5	5.2	.6	2.6	11.9	11.6
2001 Post-Sept 11	30.9	31.8	27.9	5.2	.6	3.6	11.7	9.4
2001 Pre-Sept 11	27.3	34.4	30.9	5.1	.6	1.7	12.1	13.5
2000	28.0	33.4	29.1	5.5	.5	3.6	11.6	11.7
1999	26.6	33.5	33.7	3.9	.5	1.9	13.0	14.5
1998	27.9	33.7	31.1	4.6	.4	2.3	11.6	13.1
1997	28.0	33.4	32.0	4.0	.4	2.3	12.2	14.1
1996	28.9	33.9	31.8	3.0	.4	2.0	12.1	14.9
1995	31.6	30.0	33.7	2.4	.6	1.3	15.1	13.5
1994	30.1	31.5	33.5	1.3	--	3.6	13.7	12.2
1993	27.4	33.6	34.2	4.4	1.5	2.9	11.5	14.9
1992	27.6	33.7	34.7	1.5	0	2.5	12.6	16.5
1991	30.9	31.4	33.2	0	1.4	3.0	14.7	10.8
1990	30.9	33.2	29.3	1.2	1.9	3.4	12.4	11.3
1989	33	33	34	--	--	--	--	--
1987	26	35	39	--	--	--	--	--

**ASK IF REPUBLICAN OR LEAN REPUBLICAN (PARTY=1 OR PARTYLN=1):**

Q.87 Thinking for a moment about people who consider themselves Democrats, which of these comes closer to your views about them? **[READ; RANDOMIZE]**

**BASED ON REPUBLICANS AND REPUBLICAN LEANERS [N=904]:**

Sep 5-16  
2019

51

They feel differently than I do about politics,  
but they probably share many of my other  
values and goals

47

They feel differently than I do about politics,  
and they probably don't share many of my  
other values and goals, either

2

Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

Jun 27-Jul 9  
2017

56

41

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**Q.87 TRENDS FOR COMPARISON:****BASED ON REPUBLICANS**

	<i>CBS</i> Nov 15-17 <u>2013</u>	<i>CBS/NYT</i> March <u>2007</u>	<i>CBS</i> August <u>2005</u>
People who consider themselves Democrats feel differently than I do about politics, but they probably share many of my other values and goals [OR]	58	43	56
People who consider themselves Democrats feel differently than I do about politics, and they probably don't share many of my other values and goals, either	38	53	40
Don't know/Refused ( <b>VOL.</b> )	4	4	4

**ASK IF DEMOCRAT OR LEAN DEMOCRAT (PARTY=2 OR PARTYLN=2):**

Q.88 Thinking for a moment about people who consider themselves Republicans, which of these comes closer to your views about them? [**READ; RANDOMIZE**]

**BASED ON DEMOCRATS AND DEMOCRATIC LEANERS [N=897]:**

Sep 5-16 <u>2019</u>		Jun 27-Jul 9 <u>2017</u>
51	They feel differently than I do about politics, but they probably share many of my other values and goals	60
46	They feel differently than I do about politics, and they probably don't share many of my other values and goals, either	37
4	Don't know/Refused ( <b>VOL.</b> )	3

**TRENDS FOR COMPARISON****BASED ON DEMOCRATS**

	<i>CBS</i> Nov 15-17 <u>2013</u>	<i>CBS/NYT</i> March <u>2007</u>	<i>CBS</i> August <u>2005</u>
People who consider themselves Republicans feel differently than I do about politics, but they probably share many of my other values and goals [OR]	60	46	47
People who consider themselves Republicans feel differently than I do about politics, and they probably don't share many of my other values and goals, either	37	51	49
Don't know/Refused ( <b>VOL.</b> )	4	3	4

**Key to Pew Research trends noted in the topline:**

(SDT)	Pew Research Center Social & Demographic Trends
(U)	Pew Research Center/USA Today polls
(C)	Pew Research Global Attitudes/Carnegie Endowment for International Peace