

**PEW RESEARCH CENTER
MARCH 2016 POLITICAL SURVEY
FINAL TOPLINE
MARCH 17-26, 2016
N=2,254**

RANDOMIZE Q.1 AND Q.2**ASK ALL:**

Q.1 Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President? **[IF DK ENTER AS DK. IF DEPENDS PROBE ONCE WITH: Overall do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President? IF STILL DEPENDS ENTER AS DK]**

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Dis- approve</u>	<u>(VOL.) DK/Ref</u>		<u>Approve</u>	<u>Dis- approve</u>	<u>(VOL.) DK/Ref</u>
Mar 17-26, 2016	51	44	6	Nov 9-14, 2011	46	46	8
Jan 7-14, 2016	46	48	6	Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	43	48	9
Dec 8-13, 2015	46	49	4	Aug 17-21, 2011	43	49	7
Sep 22-27, 2015	46	48	5	Jul 20-24, 2011	44	48	8
Jul 14-20, 2015	48	45	7	Jun 15-19, 2011	46	45	8
May 12-18, 2015	46	48	6	May 25-30, 2011	52	39	10
Mar 25-29, 2015	46	47	7	May 5-8, 2011	50	39	11
Feb 18-22, 2015	48	46	5	May 2, 2011 (WP)	56	38	6
Jan 7-11, 2015	47	48	5	Mar 30-Apr 3, 2011	47	45	8
Dec 3-7, 2014 (U)	42	51	6	Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	51	39	10
Nov 6-9, 2014	43	52	5	Feb 2-7, 2011	49	42	9
Oct 15-20, 2014	43	51	6	Jan 5-9, 2011	46	44	10
Sep 2-9, 2014	42	50	8	Dec 1-5, 2010	45	43	13
Aug 20-24, 2014 (U)	42	50	8	Nov 4-7, 2010	44	44	12
Jul 8-14, 2014	44	49	6	Oct 13-18, 2010	46	45	9
Apr 23-27, 2014 (U)	44	50	7	Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	47	44	9
Feb 27-Mar 16, 2014	44	49	7	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	47	41	12
Feb 14-23, 2014	44	48	8	Jun 8-28, 2010	48	41	11
Jan 15-19, 2014 (U)	43	49	8	Jun 16-20, 2010	48	43	9
Dec 3-8, 2013 (U)	45	49	6	May 6-9, 2010	47	42	11
Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013	41	53	6	Apr 21-26, 2010	47	42	11
Oct 9-13, 2013	43	51	6	Apr 8-11, 2010	48	43	9
Sep 4-8, 2013 (U)	44	49	8	Mar 10-14, 2010	46	43	12
Jul 17-21, 2013	46	46	7	Feb 3-9, 2010	49	39	12
Jun 12-16, 2013	49	43	7	Jan 6-10, 2010	49	42	10
May 1-5, 2013	51	43	6	Dec 9-13, 2009	49	40	11
Mar 13-17, 2013	47	46	8	Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	51	36	13
Feb 13-18, 2013 (U)	51	41	7	Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009	52	36	12
Jan 9-13, 2013	52	40	7	Sep 10-15, 2009	55	33	13
Dec 5-9, 2012	55	39	6	Aug 20-27, 2009	52	37	12
Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	50	43	7	Aug 11-17, 2009	51	37	11
Jun 7-17, 2012	47	45	8	Jul 22-26, 2009	54	34	12
May 9-Jun 3, 2012	46	42	11	Jun 10-14, 2009	61	30	9
Apr 4-15, 2012	46	45	9	Apr 14-21, 2009	63	26	11
Mar 7-11, 2012	50	41	9	Mar 31-Apr 6, 2009	61	26	13
Feb 8-12, 2012	47	43	10	Mar 9-12, 2009	59	26	15
Jan 11-16, 2012	44	48	8	Feb 4-8, 2009	64	17	19
Dec 7-11, 2011	46	43	11				

See past presidents' approval trends: [George W. Bush](#), [Bill Clinton](#)

RANDOMIZE Q.1 AND Q.2**ASK ALL:**

Q.2 All in all, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way things are going in this country today?

	Satis- fied	Dis- satisfied	(VOL.) DK/Ref		Satis- fied	Dis- satisfied	(VOL.) DK/Ref
Mar 17-26, 2016	31	65	4	Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009	25	67	7
Jan 7-14, 2016	25	70	5	Sep 10-15, 2009 ¹	30	64	7
Dec 8-13, 2015	25	72	3	Aug 20-27, 2009	28	65	7
Aug 27-Oct 4, 2015	27	67	5	Aug 11-17, 2009	28	65	7
Sep 22-27, 2015	27	69	4	Jul 22-26, 2009	28	66	6
Jul 14-20, 2015	31	64	4	Jun 10-14, 2009	30	64	5
May 12-18, 2015	29	67	4	Apr 28-May 12, 2009	34	58	8
Mar 25-29, 2015	31	64	5	Apr 14-21, 2009	23	70	7
Feb 18-22, 2015	33	62	5	Jan 7-11, 2009	20	73	7
Jan 7-11, 2015	31	66	4	December, 2008	13	83	4
Dec 3-7, 2014 (U)	26	71	3	Early October, 2008	11	86	3
Nov 6-9, 2014	27	68	4	Mid-September, 2008	25	69	6
Oct 15-20, 2014	29	65	6	August, 2008	21	74	5
Sep 2-9, 2014	25	71	4	July, 2008	19	74	7
Aug 20-24, 2014	24	72	4	June, 2008	19	76	5
Jul 8-14, 2014	29	68	4	Late May, 2008	18	76	6
Apr 23-27, 2014	29	65	6	March, 2008	22	72	6
Feb 12-26, 2014	28	66	6	Early February, 2008	24	70	6
Jan 15-19, 2014	26	69	5	Late December, 2007	27	66	7
Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013	21	75	3	October, 2007	28	66	6
Oct 9-13, 2013	14	81	5	February, 2007	30	61	9
Jul 17-21, 2013	27	67	6	Mid-January, 2007	32	61	7
May 1-5, 2013	30	65	5	Early January, 2007	30	63	7
Feb 13-18, 2013 (U)	31	64	5	December, 2006	28	65	7
Jan 9-13, 2013	30	66	4	Mid-November, 2006	28	64	8
Dec 17-19, 2012	25	68	7	Early October, 2006	30	63	7
Dec 5-9, 2012	33	62	5	July, 2006	30	65	5
Oct 18-21, 2012	32	61	8	May, 2006*	29	65	6
Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	31	64	5	March, 2006	32	63	5
Jun 7-17, 2012	28	68	5	January, 2006	34	61	5
May 9-Jun 3, 2012	29	64	7	Late November, 2005	34	59	7
Apr 4-15, 2012	24	69	6	Early October, 2005	29	65	6
Feb 8-12, 2012	28	66	6	July, 2005	35	58	7
Jan 11-16, 2012	21	75	4	Late May, 2005*	39	57	4
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	17	78	5	February, 2005	38	56	6
Aug 17-21, 2011	17	79	4	January, 2005	40	54	6
Jul 20-24, 2011	17	79	4	December, 2004	39	54	7
Jun 15-19, 2011	23	73	4	Mid-October, 2004	36	58	6
May 5-8, 2011	30	62	8	July, 2004	38	55	7
May 2, 2011	32	60	8	May, 2004	33	61	6
Mar 8-14, 2011	22	73	5	Late February, 2004*	39	55	6
Feb 2-7, 2011	26	68	5	Early January, 2004	45	48	7
Jan 5-9, 2011	23	71	6	December, 2003	44	47	9
Dec 1-5, 2010	21	72	7	October, 2003	38	56	6
Nov 4-7, 2010	23	69	8	August, 2003	40	53	7
Sep 23-26, 2010	30	63	7	April 8, 2003	50	41	9
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	25	71	5	January, 2003	44	50	6
Jun 24-27, 2010	27	64	9	November, 2002	41	48	11
May 13-16, 2010	28	64	7	September, 2002	41	55	4
Apr 21-26, 2010	29	66	5	Late August, 2002	47	44	9
Apr 1-5, 2010	31	63	6	May, 2002	44	44	12
Mar 11-21, 2010	25	69	5				
Mar 10-14, 2010	23	71	7				
Feb 3-9, 2010	23	71	6				
Jan 6-10, 2010	27	69	4				
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	25	67	7				

¹ 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.2 CONTINUED...

	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>
March, 2002	50	40	10	August, 1997	49	46	5
Late September, 2001	57	34	9	January, 1997	38	58	4
Early September, 2001	41	53	6	July, 1996	29	67	4
June, 2001	43	52	5	March, 1996	28	70	2
March, 2001	47	45	8	October, 1995	23	73	4
February, 2001	46	43	11	June, 1995	25	73	2
January, 2001	55	41	4	April, 1995	23	74	3
October, 2000 (RVs)	54	39	7	July, 1994	24	73	3
September, 2000	51	41	8	March, 1994	24	71	5
June, 2000	47	45	8	October, 1993	22	73	5
April, 2000	48	43	9	September, 1993	20	75	5
August, 1999	56	39	5	May, 1993	22	71	7
January, 1999	53	41	6	January, 1993	39	50	11
November, 1998	46	44	10	January, 1992	28	68	4
Early September, 1998	54	42	4	November, 1991	34	61	5
Late August, 1998	55	41	4	<i>Gallup</i> : Late Feb, 1991	66	31	3
Early August, 1998	50	44	6	August, 1990	47	48	5
February, 1998	59	37	4	May, 1990	41	54	5
January, 1998	46	50	4	January, 1989	45	50	5
September, 1997	45	49	6	September, 1988 (RVs)	50	45	5

NO QUESTIONS 3-5**ASK ALL:**

Q.6 In general, would you say life in America today is better, worse, or about the same as it was fifty years ago for people like you?

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35	Better
43	Worse
15	About the same
7	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

ASK ALL:

Q.7 Do you think the future of the next generation of Americans will be better, worse, or about the same as life today?

	<u>Better</u>	<u>Worse</u>	<u>About the same</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
Mar 17-26, 2016	25	49	19	7
CBS: January, 2014	20	53	25	2
CBS/NYT: September, 2012	32	42	18	8
CBS/NYT: April, 2012 (RVs)	24	47	23	6
CBS/NYT: October, 2011	21	46	29	4
CBS/NYT: October, 2010	22	51	23	4
CBS: May, 2010	20	50	25	5
CBS/NYT: February, 2010	25	46	26	3
CBS: May, 2009	25	42	28	5
CBS: March, 2009	35	32	26	7
CBS/NYT: April, 2008	33	34	29	4
CBS: June, 2007	25	48	24	3
CBS/NYT: September, 2006	30	38	28	4
CBS/NYT: October, 2002	29	39	27	5
NYT: June, 2000	40	31	26	3
CBS: February, 2000	44	27	27	3
CBS/NYT: March, 1995	16	58	20	6
CBS/NYT: November, 1994	18	57	21	4

Q.7 CONTINUED...

	<u>Better</u>	<u>Worse</u>	<u>About the same</u>	<u>(VOL.) DK/Ref</u>
<i>CBS</i> : January, 1994 ²	22	53	21	4
<i>CBS/NYT</i> : January, 1992	26	48	22	4
<i>CBS/NYT</i> : November, 1991 ³	26	43	28	3
<i>CBS/NYT</i> : October, 1991	20	52	25	3
<i>CBS/NYT</i> : March, 1991	36	26	35	3
<i>CBS/NYT</i> : June, 1990	28	36	31	5
<i>CBS/NYT</i> : June, 1989	25	52	18	5

ASK ALL:

Q.8 In general, how much trust and confidence do you have in the wisdom of the American people when it comes to making political decisions? A very great deal, a good deal, not very much, or none at all?

Mar 17-26 2016		Aug 27- Sep 13 2015	Jan 2007	Oct 1997	<i>Gallup</i> 1964
9	Very great deal	9	13	11	14
25	Good deal	26	44	53	63
51	Not very much	49	34	32	19
14	None at all	14	8	3	1
2	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	2	1	1	3

ASK ALL:

Q.9 Would you say you follow what's going on in government and public affairs [READ]?

	<u>Most of the time</u>	<u>Some of the time</u>	<u>Only now and then</u>	<u>Hardly at all</u>	<u>(VOL.) DK/Ref</u>
Mar 17-26, 2016	55	27	11	7	*
Aug 27-Oct 4, 2015	51	26	14	8	1
Oct 15-20, 2014	50	27	12	10	1
Sep 2-9, 2014	51	25	14	9	1
Jan 23-Mar 16, 2014	48	29	14	9	*
Oct 31-Nov 3, 2012 (RVs)	69	21	7	3	*
Oct 24-28, 2012	51	27	13	9	1
Oct 4-7, 2012 (RVs)	65	23	8	4	*
Sep 12-16, 2012 (RVs)	60	26	10	4	*
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	47	28	15	8	1
Feb 22-Mar 14, 2011	50	29	14	6	1
Oct 27-30, 2010 (RVs)	56	29	10	5	*
Oct 13-18, 2010	49	28	12	10	1
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010 ⁴	52	25	13	10	1
January, 2007	53	28	11	7	1
November, 2006 (RVs)	58	26	10	6	*
Late October, 2006 (RVs)	57	30	8	5	*
December, 2005	50	28	14	8	*
December, 2004	45	35	14	5	1
November, 2004 (RVs)	61	27	9	3	*
Mid-October, 2004 (RVs)	63	26	8	3	*
June, 2004	44	34	15	7	*
August, 2003	48	33	12	6	1

² In January 1994, question read: "Do you think the future for the next generation will be better, worse, or about the same as life today?"

³ In November 1991 and June 1990, question read: "Do you think the future generation of Americans will be better off, or worse off, or about the same as life today?" In November 1991, "same" was a volunteered response.

⁴ In the Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010 survey, a wording experiment was conducted with one half of respondents asked the question wording shown above, and the other half was asked: "Some people seem to follow what's going on in government and public affairs most of the time, whether there's an election or not. Others aren't that interested. Would you say you follow what's going on in government and public affairs ...?" No significant differences were found between questions and the combined results are shown above. All surveys prior to Sep 2010 used the longer question wording.

Q.9 CONTINUED...

	<u>Most of the time</u>	<u>Some of the time</u>	<u>Only now and then</u>	<u>Hardly at all</u>	(VOL.) DK/Ref
November, 2002	49	27	14	9	1
August, 2002	54	30	11	5	*
March, 2001	49	27	13	10	1
Early November, 2000 (RVs)	51	32	12	5	*
September, 2000 (RVs)	51	34	10	4	1
June, 2000	38	32	19	11	*
Late September, 1999	39	32	20	9	*
August, 1999	40	35	17	8	*
November, 1998	46	27	14	13	*
Late October, 1998 (RVs)	57	29	10	4	*
Early October, 1998 (RVs)	51	33	11	5	*
Early September, 1998	45	34	15	6	*
June, 1998	36	34	21	9	*
November, 1997	41	36	16	7	*
November, 1996 (RVs)	52	32	12	4	*
October, 1996 (RVs)	43	37	13	6	1
June, 1996	41	34	17	8	*
October, 1995	46	35	14	5	*
April, 1995	43	35	16	6	*
November, 1994	49	30	13	7	1
October, 1994	45	35	14	6	*
July, 1994	46	33	15	6	*
May, 1990	39	34	18	9	*
February, 1989	47	34	14	4	1
October, 1988 (RVs)	52	33	12	3	*
May, 1988	37	37	17	6	3
January, 1988	37	35	18	8	2
November, 1987	49	32	14	4	1
May, 1987	41	35	15	7	2
July, 1985	36	33	18	12	1

ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=1,130]:

Q.10F1 Some people say they are basically content with the federal government, others say they are frustrated, and others say they are angry. Which of these best describes how you feel?

	<u>Basically content</u>	<u>Frustrated</u>	<u>Angry</u>	(VOL.) DK/Ref
Mar 17-26, 2016	20	57	21	2
Aug 27-Oct 4, 2015	18	57	22	3
Feb 12-26, 2014	17	62	19	2
Oct 9-13, 2013	12	55	30	3
Sep 25-29, 2013	17	51	26	5
Jan 9-13, 2013	20	58	19	3
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	17	58	21	3
Aug 17-21, 2011	11	60	26	3
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	22	59	14	5
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	21	52	23	4
Apr 1-5, 2010	23	52	21	4
Mar 11-21, 2010	19	56	21	5
Early January, 2007	21	58	16	5
Early October, 2006	21	54	20	5
March, 2004	32	52	13	3
Mid November, 2001	53	34	8	5
June, 2000	28	53	13	6
February, 2000	33	54	10	3
October, 1997	29	56	12	3

ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=1,124]:

Q.11F2 Some people say they are basically content with politics today, others say they are frustrated, and others say they are angry. Which of these best describes how you feel?

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13	Basically content
64	Frustrated
21	Angry
3	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

ASK IF ANGRY (Q.11F2=3) [N=247]:

Q.12F2 And what is the main reason you are angry about politics today? **[RECORD VERBATIM RESPONSE. PROBE FOR CLARITY – DO NOT PROBE FOR ADDITIONAL MENTIONS. IF MORE THAN ONE MENTION, RECORD IN ORDER OF MENTION. RECORD UP TO THREE RESPONSES]**?

BASED ON THOSE WHO ARE ANGRY ABOUT POLITICS:

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26	Politicians lie/don't keep promises/are self-serving
18	Gridlock/partisanship/politicians are incompetent/don't get anything done
14	Politicians out of touch/not working for Americans
5	Economy/jobs
4	Barack Obama
4	Corruption/lobbyists/interest groups
4	Social Security/healthcare/entitlements
4	Republicans (non-specific)
4	National decline/general state of country
4	Lack of good candidates/real choices
3	Wall Street/big business influence on government
3	Racism/police brutality
3	American public isn't paying attention/has lost values
3	Donald Trump
3	Taxes
2	Socialist/liberal influence
2	Politicians disrespect Constitution/laws/Founders' vision
2	Immigration policy/immigrants
2	Money in politics
2	Economic inequality/challenges for poor
2	Loss of rights/civil liberties
2	2016 campaign
7	Other
9	None/No problem
55	(NET) POLITICIANS (GENERAL)
20	(NET) ISSUES
12	(NET) SPECIFIC POLITICIANS/PARTIES/2016 CAMPAIGN
7	(NET) INTEREST GROUPS

Total exceeds 100% because of multiple responses.

ASK ALL:

THOUGHT How much thought have you given to the coming presidential election ... Quite a lot or only a little?

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1,787]:

	Quite a lot	(VOL.) Some	Only a little	(VOL.) None	(VOL.) DK/Ref
2016 Election					
Mar 17-26, 2016	85	3	12	1	*
2012 Election					
Oct 31-Nov 3, 2012	81	2	14	2	1
Oct 24-28, 2012	78	3	15	3	1
Oct 4-7, 2012	73	3	21	2	1
Sep 12-16, 2012	70	4	23	2	1
Jul 16-26, 2012	61	5	28	6	1
Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	65	3	29	3	*
Jun 7-17, 2012	67	1	30	2	1
May 9-Jun 3, 2012	61	2	33	3	1
Apr 4-15, 2012	64	2	30	4	1
Mar 7-11, 2012	66	2	30	1	1
2008 Election					
November, 2008	81	3	13	2	1
Late October, 2008	81	3	13	2	1
Mid-October, 2008	81	3	13	3	*
Early October, 2008	81	2	14	2	1
Late September, 2008	80	3	14	2	1
Mid-September, 2008	78	4	14	3	1
August, 2008	74	6	17	2	1
July, 2008	74	2	20	3	1
June, 2008	72	2	23	2	1
Late May, 2008	75	4	17	3	1
April, 2008	77	7	13	2	1
March, 2008	78	3	15	3	1
Late February, 2008	74	3	19	2	2
2004 Election					
November, 2004	82	3	12	2	1
Mid-October, 2004	76	5	15	3	1
Early October, 2004	74	4	19	2	1
September, 2004	71	3	22	3	1
August, 2004	69	2	26	2	1
July, 2004	67	2	28	2	1
June, 2004	58	3	36	2	1
May, 2004	59	6	30	4	1
Late March, 2004	60	4	31	4	1
Mid-March, 2004	65	2	31	2	*
2000 Election					
November, 2000	72	6	19	2	1
Late October, 2000	66	6	24	4	*
Mid-October, 2000	67	9	19	4	1
Early October, 2000	60	8	27	4	1
September, 2000	59	8	29	3	1
July, 2000	46	6	45	3	*
June, 2000	46	6	43	5	*
May, 2000	48	4	42	5	1
April, 2000	45	7	41	7	*
1996 Election					
November, 1996	67	8	22	3	*
October, 1996	65	7	26	1	1
Late September, 1996	61	7	29	2	1
Early September, 1996	56	3	36	4	1

THOUGHT CONTINUED...

	Quite a lot	(VOL.) Some	Only a little	(VOL.) None	(VOL.) DK/Ref
July, 1996	55	3	41	1	*
June, 1996	50	5	41	3	1
1992 Election					
Early October, 1992	77	5	16	1	1
September, 1992	69	3	26	1	1
August, 1992	72	4	23	1	*
June, 1992	63	6	29	1	1
1988 Election					
Gallup: November, 1988	73	8	17	2	0
Gallup: October, 1988	69	9	20	2	0
Gallup: September, 1988	57	18	23	2	0
Gallup: August, 1988	61	10	27	2	0

ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=1,124]:

Q.13F2 Thinking about the presidential primaries so far, generally do you think they have been a good way of determining who the best qualified nominees are or not?

	Yes	No	(VOL.) DK/Ref
Mar 17-26, 2016	34	61	4
April 12-15, 2012	30	57	13
May 30-June 2, 2008	35	60	5
February 8-11, 2008	43	52	5
February, 2004	40	46	14
March, 2000	41	50	9
March, 1996	35	58	7
March, 1992	31	59	10
January, 1992	51	41	8
Gallup: June, 1988	48	37	15
May, 1988	56	31	13
January, 1988	61	23	16
Newsweek: March, 1980	40	48	12

ASK ALL:

REG Which of these statements best describes you? [READ IN ORDER] [INSTRUCTION: BE SURE TO CLARIFY WHETHER RESPONDENT IS ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN THEY ARE REGISTERED OR ONLY PROBABLY REGISTERED; IF RESPONDENT VOLUNTEERS THAT THEY ARE IN NORTH DAKOTA AND DON'T HAVE TO REGISTER, PUNCH 1]

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75	Are you ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN that you are registered to vote at your current address
5	Are you PROBABLY registered, but there is a chance your registration has lapsed
18	Are you NOT registered to vote at your current address
1	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REG=1):

OFTVOTE How often would you say you vote...[READ IN ORDER]?

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1,787]:

	<u>Always</u>	<u>Nearly always</u>	<u>Part of the time</u>	<u>Seldom</u>	<u>(VOL.) Never vote</u>	<u>(VOL.) Other</u>	<u>(VOL.) DK/Ref</u>
Mar 17-26, 2016	63	22	9	4	2	1	*
Aug 27-Oct 4, 2015	61	22	9	5	2	*	*
Oct 15-20, 2014	58	25	9	6	2	*	*
Sep 2-9, 2014	58	27	10	4	2	*	*
Jul 8-14, 2014	58	25	10	4	2	*	*
Jan 23-Mar 16, 2014	61	24	8	5	1	*	*
Oct 31-Nov 3, 2012	62	23	7	5	2	1	*
Oct 24-28, 2012	59	24	8	5	3	1	*
Oct 4-7, 2012	67	20	6	4	1	1	0
Sep 12-16, 2012	64	22	7	4	2	1	*
Jun 7-17, 2012	64	24	6	4	1	*	*
Apr 4-15, 2012	57	29	8	4	1	*	*
Jan 4-8, 2012	60	24	8	6	1	1	*
Feb 22-Mar 14, 2011	62	24	8	4	1	*	*
Oct 27-30, 2010	58	24	11	5	2	1	*
Oct 13-18, 2010	57	27	10	4	2	1	*
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	59	26	9	4	1	*	*
June 16-20, 2010	52	31	11	5	1	1	1
Mar 31-Apr 6, 2009	62	23	7	5	1	1	1
November, 2008	60	23	8	5	2	2	*
Late October, 2008	57	26	8	5	3	1	*
Mid-October, 2008	57	27	7	5	3	1	*
Early October, 2008	53	27	9	6	3	1	1
Late September, 2008	55	27	9	6	2	1	*
Mid-September, 2008	54	28	10	5	2	1	*
August, 2008	55	29	9	4	2	1	*
July, 2008	53	30	10	4	1	1	1
January, 2007	58	29	9	3	1	*	*
November, 2006	58	26	8	5	2	1	*
Late October, 2006	58	27	9	4	1	1	*
Early October, 2006	47	36	10	3	2	1	1
September, 2006	56	28	9	6	1	*	*
May, 2006	60	26	8	4	1	*	1
December, 2005	60	24	9	4	2	1	1
December, 2004	64	22	8	4	1	*	1
November, 2004	62	21	7	6	3	1	*
Mid-October, 2004	63	22	7	5	2	1	*
Early October, 2004	58	25	9	4	2	1	1
September, 2004	58	27	9	5	2	1	1
August, 2004	56	28	9	5	2	*	1
July, 2004	54	31	9	4	1	*	*
June, 2004	57	29	7	5	1	1	1
May, 2004	56	27	10	4	2	1	1
April, 2004	55	29	9	5	1	1	1
Late March, 2004	50	31	11	6	1	*	1
Mid-March, 2004	55	30	9	5	1	*	*
February, 2004	55	29	12	3	*	*	*
January, 2004	54	30	10	4	2	1	*
August, 2003	53	30	10	5	1	*	*
June, 2003	48	36	11	3	1	*	0
Early November, 2002	52	30	11	6	1	0	1

OFTVOTE CONTINUED...

	<u>Always</u>	<u>Nearly always</u>	<u>Part of the time</u>	<u>Seldom</u>	<u>(VOL.) Never vote</u>	<u>(VOL.) Other</u>	<u>(VOL.) DK/Ref</u>
Early October, 2002	50	33	11	4	*	1	1
Early September, 2002	59	25	11	4	1	*	*
August, 2002	53	32	10	4	1	*	*
May, 2002	53	31	9	5	1	*	1
Early November, 2000	57	26	8	6	2	1	*
Late October, 2000	52	30	9	6	1	2	0
Mid-October, 2000	54	27	10	6	*	3	*
Early October, 2000	51	29	10	6	3	1	*
September, 2000	61	21	9	7	2	*	*
July, 2000	48	30	13	6	2	1	*
June, 2000	58	26	10	4	1	1	*
May, 2000	52	29	12	6	1	1	*
April, 2000	50	30	12	6	2	1	*
March, 2000	49	34	12	4	1	1	0
February, 2000	53	32	10	4	1	0	*
January, 2000	50	34	12	4	1	*	*
October, 1999	39	47	9	2	1	*	*
Late September, 1999	40	47	9	3	1	*	*
Late October, 1998	56	28	10	5	1	*	*
Early October, 1998	50	32	11	5	1	1	*
Early September, 1998	53	33	9	4	-	1	*
Late August, 1998	48	35	13	4	*	0	*
June, 1998	49	33	12	5	-	1	0
May, 1998	52	29	12	6	1	1	*
November, 1997	42	44	10	3	1	*	*
October, 1997	62	26	8	3	1	*	*
June, 1997	54	30	10	4	1	*	*
November, 1996	55	28	8	6	2	1	*
October, 1996	52	30	9	5	2	2	*
Late September, 1996	52	31	10	4	2	1	*
Early September, 1996	53	29	12	4	1	*	*
July, 1996	52	33	8	5	1	1	*
June, 1996	52	33	9	4	1	1	*
Late April, 1996	44	37	11	5	1	1	1
Early April, 1996	49	35	10	5	1	*	*
February, 1996	42	41	11	4	1	1	*
October, 1995	53	35	7	4	1	*	*
April, 1995	53	34	9	4	*	*	*
November, 1994	58	28	8	5	*	1	0
Late October, 1994	55	32	10	3	*	*	*
July, 1994	52	34	10	4	*	*	*
May, 1993	57	31	7	4	1	1	*
Early October, 1992	54	33	8	4	*	1	*
September, 1992	52	33	8	5	1	1	*
June, 1992	60	29	7	3	1	*	*
May, 1992	50	35	10	4	1	*	*
Early May, 1992	49	35	10	4	1	*	*
March, 1992	47	36	11	6	*	*	*
February, 1992	50	36	9	4	*	--	2
January 1992 (GP) ⁵	40	35	11	11	4	--	*
November, 1991	46	41	9	4	*	*	*
May, 1990	42	42	11	4	1	*	*
January, 1989 (GP)	45	30	10	8	6	1	*

⁵ Trends for January 1992 and January 1989 are based on general public.

OFTVOTE CONTINUED...

	<u>Always</u>	<u>Nearly always</u>	<u>Part of the time</u>	<u>Seldom</u>	<u>(VOL.) Never vote</u>	<u>(VOL.) Other</u>	<u>(VOL.) DK/Ref</u>
<i>Gallup</i> : November, 1988	57	26	10	4	2	1	*
October, 1988	51	37	8	3	1	*	*
May, 1988	43	41	11	3	2	1	*
January, 1988	49	39	9	2	1	*	*
September, 1988	51	40	6	2	*	1	*
May, 1987	43	43	9	3	1	1	*

NO QUESTIONS 14-22

RANDOMIZE Q.23 AND Q.24

ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REG=1):

Q.23 As I name some Republican candidates for president in 2016, please tell me which one, if any, you would most like to see nominated as the Republican Party's candidate? **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**
[PROBE IF NECESSARY: As of today, who would you say you LEAN toward?]

BASED ON REPUBLICAN/REPUBLICAN-LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=834]:

Mar 17-26

2016

41 Donald Trump
 32 Ted Cruz
 20 John Kasich
 * Other (VOL.)
 4 None (VOL.)
 1 Too early to tell (VOL.)
 1 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

RANDOMIZE Q.23 AND Q.24

ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REG=1):

Q.24 As I name some Democratic candidates for president in 2016, please tell me which one, if any, you would most like to see nominated as the Democratic Party's candidate? **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**
[PROBE IF NECESSARY: As of today, who would you say you LEAN toward?]

BASED ON DEMOCRATIC/DEMOCRATIC-LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=842]:

Mar 17-26

2016

49 Hillary Clinton
 43 Bernie Sanders
 * Other (VOL.)
 4 None (VOL.)
 2 Too early to tell (VOL.)
 2 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REG=1):

- Q.25 Regardless of who you currently support, I'd like to know what kind of president you think each of the following would be if elected in November 2016? First, **[INSERT NAME; RANDOMIZE]**. If **[INSERT NAME]** were to become president do you think (he/she) would be a great, good, average, poor, or terrible president? How about if **[INSERT NEXT ITEM]** were to become president? **[IF NECESSARY: do you think he/she would be a great, good, average, poor, or terrible president? [PROGRAMMING NOTE: For item c. program "she"]]**

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1,787]:

		Great <u>president</u>	Good <u>president</u>	Average <u>president</u>	Poor <u>president</u>	Terrible <u>president</u>	(VOL.) Never heard of/ <u>DK/Ref</u>
a.	Bernie Sanders						
	Mar 17-26, 2016	10	26	26	15	21	3
	Jan 7-14, 2016	9	21	22	18	17	12
b.	Donald Trump						
	Mar 17-26, 2016	10	16	12	15	44	3
	Jan 7-14, 2016	11	20	12	14	38	5
c.	Hillary Clinton						
	Mar 17-26, 2016	11	22	20	16	30	1
	Jan 7-14, 2016	11	24	18	16	28	2
	TREND FOR COMPARISON:						
	Gallup: Dec 2007 ⁶	20	28	17	16	19	1
d.	John Kasich						
	Mar 17-26, 2016	5	28	39	13	7	9
	Jan 7-14, 2016	1	12	32	17	7	31
e.	Ted Cruz						
	Mar 17-26, 2016	7	22	31	17	19	4
	Jan 7-14, 2016	8	20	28	16	15	13

NO QUESTIONS 26-34**ASK ALL:**

- Q.35 How much, if anything, have you heard about Barack Obama's choice of Merrick Garland to be the next Supreme Court justice? Have you heard **[READ IN ORDER]**?

TRENDS FOR COMPARISON:

		-----Sotomayor-----			
Mar 17-26 <u>2016</u>		Feb 18-21 <u>2016</u> ⁷	Jul 22-26 <u>2009</u>	Jun 10-14 <u>2009</u>	
32	A lot	45	46	39	
44	A little	26	33	38	
24	Nothing at all	26	19	21	
*	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	3	2	2	

⁶ In December 2007, question was asked in a list of Republican and Democratic candidates then running for president.

⁷ In February 2016, the question read: "How much, if anything, have you heard about the death of Supreme Court Antonin Scalia and the vacancy on the court?"

ASK ALL:

Q.36 How important is the choice of the next Supreme Court justice to you personally **[READ IN ORDER]**?

		-----Bush-----						
Mar 17-26		Feb 18-21	Apr 21-26	Nov	Mid-Sept	July	June	Late March
<u>2016</u>		<u>2016</u>	<u>2010⁸</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2005⁹</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2005</u>
56	Very important	57	40	47	48	47	47	38
27	Somewhat important	24	32	28	34	30	29	36
11	Not too important	8	14	13	9	14	14	15
5	Not at all important	9	11	11	7	8	8	8
1	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	2	3	1	2	1	2	3

ASK ALL:

Q.37 From what you've seen and heard so far, do you think the Senate should or should not confirm Merrick Garland to the Supreme Court?

		(VOL.)		
		<u>Should</u>	<u>Should not</u>	<u>DK/Ref</u>
Garland	Mar 17-26, 2016	46	30	24
Kagan	June 17-20, 2010	33	25	42
Kagan	May 13-16, 2010	33	21	46
Sotomayor	July 22-26, 2009	50	23	27
Sotomayor	June 10-14, 2009	50	25	25
Alito	January, 2006	33	19	48
Alito	Early December, 2005	32	19	49
Alito	November, 2005	40	23	37
Miers	Early October, 2005	33	27	40
Roberts	Mid-September, 2005	46	21	33
Roberts	Early September, 2005	35	19	46

ASK ALL:

Q.38 Now thinking about how news organizations have been covering the presidential candidates, would you say news organizations have given too much, too little, or about the right amount of coverage to **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]**? How about **[ITEM]**? **[IF NECESSARY: Would you say news organizations have given too much, too little, or about the right amount of coverage to **[ITEM]**?**

		<u>Too much</u>	<u>Too little</u>	<u>About the right amount</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
a.	Donald Trump Mar 17-26, 2016	75	4	18	3
b.	Ted Cruz Mar 17-26, 2016	16	25	54	6
c.	John Kasich Mar 17-26, 2016	7	57	28	7
d.	Hillary Clinton Mar 17-26, 2016	41	10	46	3
e.	Bernie Sanders Mar 17-26, 2016	14	31	50	5

NO QUESTIONS 39-49

⁸ In April 2010 and earlier, the question read: "How important is the president's choice of the next Supreme Court justice to you personally?"

⁹ In mid-September 2005 the question was asked about the two Supreme Court openings: "How important are the president's choices of the next Supreme Court Justice to you personally?"

ASK ALL:

Q.50 I'm going to read you some pairs of statements that will help us understand how you feel about a number of things. As I read each pair, 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; 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?"]**

NO ITEM a

	Business corporations <u>make too much profit</u>	Most corporations make a fair and reasonable <u>amount of profit</u>	(VOL.) Both/Neither/ <u>DK/Ref</u>
b.			
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

	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/ <u>DK/Ref</u>
c.			
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

Q.50 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
December, 2005	45	44	11
December, 2004	45	44	11
June, 2003	46	44	10
September, 2000	50	38	12
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
	Most people who want to get ahead can make it if they're willing to <u>work hard</u>	Hard work and determination are no guarantee of success for most people	(VOL.) Both/Neither/ DK/Ref
d.			
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
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010 (RVs)	64	33	3
March, 2006	64	33	3
December, 2005	64	33	3
December, 2004	68	28	4
September, 2000	73	24	3
August, 1999	74	23	3
July, 1994	68	30	2

NO ITEM e

	U.S. efforts to solve problems around the world usually end up <u>making things worse</u>	Problems in the world would be even worse <u>without U.S. involvement</u>	(VOL.) Both/Neither/ DK/Ref
f.			
Mar 17-26, 2016	36	57	6
Dec 8-13, 2015	38	55	7
Jan 23-Mar 16, 2014	40	53	7
	This country should do whatever it takes to <u>protect the environment</u>	This country has gone too far in its efforts to <u>protect the environment</u>	(VOL.) Both/Neither/ DK/Ref
g.			
Mar 17-26, 2016	74	23	4
Jan 23-Mar 16, 2014	71	25	4
Feb 22-Mar 14, 2011	71	24	5
December, 2004	77	18	5
September, 2000	78	17	5
August, 1999	80	15	5
October, 1996	77	18	5
October, 1995	77	20	3
April, 1995	74	22	4

Q.50 CONTINUED...

	This country should do whatever it takes to <u>protect the environment</u>	This country has gone too far in its efforts to <u>protect the environment</u>	(VOL.) Both/Neither/ <u>DK/Ref</u>
October, 1994	77	19	4
July, 1994	78	19	3

	I'm generally satisfied with the way things are going for me financially	I'm not very satisfied with <u>my financial situation</u>	(VOL.) Both/Neither/ <u>DK/Ref</u>
h.			
Mar 17-26, 2016	57	42	1
Dec 8-13, 2015	57	43	1
Jan 23-Mar 16, 2014	51	47	1
Feb 22-Mar 14, 2011	47	51	2
October, 2006	59	40	1
December, 2005	56	42	2
December, 2004	59	39	2
September, 2000	59	39	2
August, 1999	64	34	2
October, 1996	57	41	2
April, 1996	57	42	1
July, 1994	56	43	1

NO QUESTIONS 51-53**RANDOMIZE Q.54 AND Q.55****ASK ALL:**

Now I have a few questions about the political parties...

[First]

Q.54 The Republican Party. Do you think the Republican Party [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE] or not?

		Yes	No	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
a.	Is too extreme			
	Mar 17-26, 2016	54	42	4
	Sep 16-Oct 4, 2015	54	41	5
	Feb 18-22, 2015	50	46	4
	Feb 27-Mar 16, 2014	52	43	5
	Jul 17-21, 2013	48	46	6
	Feb 13-18, 2013	52	42	5
	TREND FOR COMPARISON			
	<i>Please tell me whether you think each of the following description applies or does not apply to the Republican Party ... too extreme</i>			
	<i>CNN/Gallup: February, 1999</i>	56	42	3
b.	Is tolerant and open to all groups of people			
	Mar 17-26, 2016	32	65	3
	Feb 18-22, 2015	35	62	3
	Jul 17-21, 2013	33	62	6
	TREND FOR COMPARISON			
	<i>Please tell me if you think it describes or does not describe the Republican Party ... Is tolerant and open to all groups of people</i>			
	<i>NBC News/Wall Street Journal: August, 1996 (RVs)</i>	31	62	7
c.	Cares about the middle class			
	Mar 17-26, 2016	43	53	3
	Feb 18-22, 2015	43	54	3
	Feb 27-Mar 16, 2014	42	54	4

Q.54 CONTINUED...

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>(VOL.)</u> <u>DK/Ref</u>
d. Has good policy ideas			
Mar 17-26, 2016	45	49	7
Feb 18-22, 2015	48	46	6

RANDOMIZE Q.54 AND Q.55**ASK ALL:**

[Now thinking about...]

Q.55 The Democratic Party. Do you think the Democratic Party **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]** or not?

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>(VOL.)</u> <u>DK/Ref</u>
a. Is too extreme			
Mar 17-26, 2016	37	59	4
Sep 16-Oct 4, 2015	39	56	5
Feb 18-22, 2015	36	59	4
Feb 27-Mar 16, 2014	39	56	5
Jul 17-21, 2013	41	54	5
Feb 13-18, 2013	39	56	6

TREND FOR COMPARISON

Please tell me whether you think each of the following descriptions applies or does not apply to the Democratic Party ... too extreme
CNN/Gallup: February, 1999

	39	57	3
b. Is tolerant and open to all groups of people			
Mar 17-26, 2016	65	32	3
Feb 18-22, 2015	59	38	3
Jul 17-21, 2013	60	35	5
c. Cares about the middle class			
Mar 17-26, 2016	61	36	3
Feb 18-22, 2015	60	38	2
Feb 27-Mar 16, 2014	57	38	4
d. Has good policy ideas			
Mar 17-26, 2016	53	41	6
Feb 18-22, 2015	52	43	5

NO QUESTIONS 56-57**ASK ALL:**

Q.58 I'm going to read a few more pairs of statements. Just tell me which statement comes closer to your own views — even if neither is exactly right. First, **[READ AND RANDOMIZE AND RANDOMIZE STATEMENTS WITHIN PAIRS]**. **[IF NECESSARY: "Which statement comes closer to your views, even if neither is exactly right?"]** Next, **[NEXT PAIR]**

	<u>Government should do more to solve problems</u>	<u>Government is doing too many things better left to businesses and individuals</u>	<u>(VOL.)</u> <u>Both/Neither/</u> <u>DK/Ref</u>
I.			
Mar 17-26, 2016	48	49	3
Aug 27-Oct 4, 2015	47	48	4
Nov 6-9, 2014	49	46	6
Jan 23-Feb 9, 2014	45	51	4
Sep 12-16, 2012	44	49	6
Nov 4-7, 2010	43	48	9
Jun 8-28, 2010	43	47	10
Jan 14-27, 2010 (SDT)	45	47	8

Q.58 CONTINUED...

	The economic system in this country unfairly <u>favors powerful interests</u>	The economic system in this country is generally <u>fair to most Americans</u>	(VOL.) Both/Neither/ DK/Ref
m.			
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 ITEM n

	Ordinary citizens can do a lot to influence the government in Washington if they are <u>willing to make the effort</u>	There's not much ordinary citizens can do to influence the government <u>in Washington</u>	(VOL.) Both/Neither/ DK/Ref
o.			
Mar 17-26, 2016	56	42	1
Aug 27-Oct 4, 2015	50	47	3
TREND FOR COMPARISON: <i>Knight-Ridder: January, 1996¹⁰ (RVs)</i>	58	41	1
	I hardly ever question whether my political views <u>are the right ones</u>	I sometimes question whether my political views <u>are the right ones</u>	(VOL.) Both/Neither/ DK/Ref
p.			
Mar 17-26, 2016	48	49	3

NO QUESTION 59**ASK ALL:**

Q.60 And thinking about politics and elections, would you say personally insulting political opponents is
[READ; RANDOMIZE]?

Mar 17-26	
<u>2016</u>	
31	Sometimes fair game
67	Never fair game
1	Other/Depends (VOL.)
1	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

NO QUESTION 61

Next,

ASK ALL:

Q.62 On balance, do you think having an increasing number of people of many different races, ethnic groups and nationalities in the United States makes this country a better place to live, a worse place to live, or doesn't make much difference either way?

		Aug 27- Sep 13, <u>2015</u>	<i>Knight-Ridder</i> (RVs) January <u>1996</u>
Mar 17-26			
<u>2016</u>			
58	A better place to live	57	48
7	A worse place to live	8	11
33	Doesn't make much difference either way	34	38
2	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	2	3

¹⁰ The January 1996 Knight-Ridder question stem read, "Now I'm going to read you some pairs of statements about the government in Washington. After I read each pair, tell me whether the first statement or the second statement comes CLOSER to your opinion -- even if neither is exactly right."

NO QUESTIONS 63-67

ASK ALL:

Thinking about the nation's economy...

Q.68 How would you rate economic conditions in this country today... as excellent, good, only fair, or poor?

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Only fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	(VOL.) DK/Ref
Mar 17-26, 2016	3	26	43	28	1
Dec 8-13, 2015	3	24	45	28	1
Sep 16-Oct 4, 2015	3	21	43	33	*
May 12-18, 2015	3	24	43	30	*
Feb 18-22, 2015	2	23	43	31	*
Jan 7-11, 2015	4	23	48	24	*
Oct 15-20, 2014	2	19	45	33	1
Aug 20-24, 2014	1	19	48	31	1
Jul 8-14, 2014	2	17	46	35	*
Apr 23-27, 2014 (U)	2	15	43	40	1
Jan 15-19, 2014 (U)	1	15	45	39	1
Dec 3-8, 2013 (U)	1	14	48	36	1
Oct 9-13, 2013	1	12	39	48	*
Sep 4-8, 2013	2	17	48	32	*
Jul 17-21, 2013	2	15	45	37	1
Jun 12-16, 2013	2	21	47	29	*
Mar 13-17, 2013	1	15	43	40	1
Jan 9-13, 2013	2	11	38	49	1
Dec 5-9, 2012	1	14	50	35	1
Oct 24-28, 2012	1	12	42	44	1
Sep 12-16, 2012	1	12	43	44	1
Jun 7-17, 2012	1	9	47	42	1
Mar 7-11, 2012	1	9	38	51	1
Feb 8-12, 2012	1	10	46	43	1
Jan 11-16, 2012	2	9	42	47	1
Dec 7-11, 2011	*	8	38	53	1
Aug 17-21, 2011	1	6	37	56	1
Jun 15-19, 2011	*	8	45	46	1
Mar 30-Apr 3, 2011	1	7	38	53	1
Feb 2-7, 2011	1	11	45	42	1
Dec 1-5, 2010	1	8	44	45	1
Oct 13-18, 2010	1	7	38	54	1
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	1	7	43	48	1
Jun 3-6, 2010	1	8	48	43	1
Apr 21-26, 2010	*	11	39	49	1
Mar 10-14, 2010	1	6	39	53	1
Feb 3-9, 2010	1	7	38	53	1
Dec 9-13, 2009	1	7	41	50	1
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	*	8	41	50	1
Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009	1	8	43	48	1
Aug 11-17, 2009	*	8	38	52	2
Jun 10-14, 2009	1	8	39	52	1
Mar 9-12, 2009	*	6	25	68	1
Feb 4-8, 2009	*	4	24	71	1
December, 2008	*	7	33	59	1
November, 2008	1	6	28	64	1
Late October, 2008	*	7	25	67	1
Early October, 2008	1	8	32	58	1
Late September, 2008	*	7	27	65	1
July, 2008	1	9	39	50	1
April, 2008	1	10	33	56	*

Q.68 CONTINUED...

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Only fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
March, 2008	1	10	32	56	1
Early February, 2008	1	16	36	45	2
January, 2008	3	23	45	28	1
November, 2007	3	20	44	32	1
September, 2007	3	23	43	29	2
June, 2007	6	27	40	25	2
February, 2007	5	26	45	23	1
December, 2006	6	32	41	19	2
Early November, 2006 (RVs)	9	35	37	17	2
Late October, 2006	6	27	40	25	2
September, 2006	5	32	41	20	2
March, 2006	4	29	44	22	1
January, 2006	4	30	45	19	2
Early October, 2005	2	23	45	29	1
Mid-September, 2005	3	28	44	24	1
Mid-May, 2005	3	29	47	20	1
January, 2005	3	36	45	15	1
December, 2004	3	33	43	20	1
Early November, 2004 (RVs)	5	31	37	26	1
Mid-September, 2004	4	34	40	20	2
August, 2004	3	30	45	21	1
Late April, 2004	4	34	38	22	2
Late February, 2004 ¹¹	2	29	42	26	1

ASK ALL:

Q.69 A year from now, do you expect that economic conditions in the country as a whole will be better than they are at present, or worse, or just about the same as now?

	<u>Better</u>	<u>Worse</u>	<u>Same</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
Mar 17-26, 2016	22	17	55	6
Dec 8-13, 2015	20	22	54	4
Sep 16-Oct 4, 2015	23	21	53	3
May 12-18, 2015	25	20	53	2
Feb 18-22, 2015	27	20	52	1
Jan 7-11, 2015	31	17	51	1
Oct 15-20, 2014	27	21	50	3
Aug 20-24, 2014	22	22	54	2
Jul 8-14, 2014	26	22	51	1
Apr 23-27, 2014 (U)	25	24	49	2
Jan 15-19, 2014 (U)	27	22	50	1
Oct 9-13, 2013	25	28	44	3
Sep 4-8, 2013	28	25	46	1
Jun 12-16, 2013	33	19	47	1
Mar 13-17, 2013	25	32	41	1
Jan 9-13, 2013	33	25	40	2
Dec 5-9, 2012	37	25	36	2
Sep 12-16, 2012	43	8	42	8
Jun 7-17, 2012	34	11	50	5
Mar 7-11, 2012	44	14	38	4
Feb 8-12, 2012	44	10	42	3
Jan 11-16, 2012	34	16	46	3
Dec 7-11, 2011	28	18	50	4
Aug 17-21, 2011	29	18	50	2
Jun 15-19, 2011	29	23	46	2
Oct 13-18, 2010	35	16	45	4
Apr 21-26, 2010	42	19	36	3

¹¹ Earlier trends available from Gallup.

Q.69 CONTINUED...

	<u>Better</u>	<u>Worse</u>	<u>Same</u>	<u>(VOL.)</u> <u>DK/Ref</u>
Feb 3-9, 2010	42	16	40	3
Dec 9-13, 2009	42	17	38	3
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	39	19	39	2
Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009	45	15	38	3
Aug 11-17, 2009	45	19	33	3
Jun 10-14, 2009	48	16	34	2
Mar 9-12, 2009	41	19	37	3
Feb 4-8, 2009	40	18	38	4
December, 2008	43	17	36	4
Early October, 2008	46	16	30	8
July, 2008	30	21	41	8
March, 2008	33	22	39	6
January, 2008	20	26	48	6
September, 2007	19	23	53	5
June, 2007	16	24	55	5
February, 2007	17	20	58	5
December, 2006	22	18	56	4
September, 2006	16	25	55	4
January, 2006	20	22	55	3
Early October, 2005	20	32	45	3
Mid-September, 2005	18	37	43	2
Mid-May, 2005	18	24	55	3
January, 2005	27	18	52	3
August, 2004	36	9	47	8
Late February, 2004	39	12	41	8
September, 2003	37	17	43	3
May, 2003	43	19	35	3
Late March, 2003	33	23	37	7
January, 2003	30	20	44	6
January, 2002	44	17	36	3
<i>Newsweek</i> : January, 2001	18	33	44	5
June, 2000	15	24	55	6
Early October, 1998 (RVs)	16	22	57	5
Early September, 1998	18	17	61	4
May, 1990	18	31	45	6
February, 1989	25	22	49	4
September, 1988 (RVs)	24	16	51	9
May, 1988	24	20	46	10
January, 1988	22	26	45	7
<i>Newsweek</i> : January, 1984 (RVs)	35	13	49	3

ASK ALL:

Q.70 Thinking now about job opportunities where you live, would you say there are plenty of jobs available in your community or are jobs difficult to find?

	<u>Plenty of</u> <u>jobs available</u>	<u>Jobs are</u> <u>difficult to find</u>	<u>(VOL.)</u> <u>Lots of some jobs,</u> <u>few of others</u>	<u>(VOL.)</u> <u>DK/Ref</u>
Mar 17-26, 2016	44	51	2	3
Dec 8-13, 2015	41	53	3	4
May 12-18, 2015	40	53	4	3
Jan 7-11, 2015	36	57	3	3
Aug 20-24, 2014	33	58	4	5
Jul 8-14, 2014	29	62	4	5
Apr 23-27, 2014 (U)	27	65	4	4
Jun 12-16, 2013	29	64	3	4
Dec 5-9, 2012	22	68	5	5
Jan 11-16, 2012	16	78	2	4
Jun 15-19, 2011	14	79	3	4

Q.70 CONTINUED...

	Plenty of <u>jobs available</u>	Jobs are <u>difficult to find</u>	(VOL.) Lots of some jobs, <u>few of others</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
Dec 1-5, 2010	14	79	3	4
Mar 10-14, 2010	10	85	3	2
Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009	14	79	3	3
Feb 4-8, 2009	11	80	3	6
December, 2008	19	73	4	4
Early October, 2008	25	64	4	7
July, 2008	31	58	4	7
April, 2008	30	61	4	5
Early February, 2008	34	53	5	8
November, 2007	41	48	4	7
September, 2007	36	50	6	8
June, 2007	39	49	5	7
February, 2007	39	48	6	7
December, 2006	40	49	5	6
March, 2006	37	56	3	4
January, 2006	33	56	6	5
Early October, 2005	36	56	4	4
May, 2005	30	60	6	4
January, 2005	32	58	5	5
Mid-September, 2004	31	52	6	11
August, 2004	34	55	4	7
Late April, 2004	30	57	4	9
Late February, 2004	31	59	5	6
Mid-January, 2004	27	60	6	7
October, 2003	24	66	5	5
June, 2002	31	59	4	6
June, 2001	42	44	8	6
<i>U.S. News</i> : August, 1992	15	76	6	3
<i>U.S. News</i> : May, 1992	16	77	4	3
<i>U.S. News</i> : January, 1992	12	79	6	3

NO QUESTIONS 71-73

ASK ALL:

Q.74 Which of the following comes closer to your view about the federal government's efforts to prevent terrorism **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**?

Mar 17-26
2016

33 Muslims living in the U.S. should be subject to more scrutiny
than people in other religious groups

60 Muslims living in the U.S. should NOT be subject to
additional scrutiny solely because of their religion

7 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

Dec 8-13,
2015

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RANDOMIZE Q.75 AND Q.76**ASK ALL:**

Q.75 Do you think abortion should be **[READ IN ORDER TO RANDOM HALF OF SAMPLE, IN REVERSE ORDER TO OTHER HALF OF SAMPLE]**?

	Legal in all cases	Legal in most cases	Illegal in most cases	Illegal in all cases	(VOL.) DK/Ref	NET <i>Legal in all/most</i>	NET <i>Illegal in all/most</i>
Mar 17-26, 2016	24	33	24	16	3	56	41
Sep 22-27, 2015	20	31	25	18	6	51	43
Sep 2-9, 2014	22	34	26	14	5	55	40
Jul 17-21, 2013	20	34	24	15	7	54	40
Oct 24-28, 2012	23	32	25	13	7	55	39
Apr 4-15, 2012	23	31	23	16	7	53	39
Nov 9-14, 2011	20	31	26	17	6	51	43
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	19	35	25	16	5	54	41
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	18	36	26	16	4	54	42
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	17	33	27	17	7	50	44
August 11-27, 2009	16	31	27	17	8	47	45
April, 2009	18	28	28	16	10	46	44
Late October, 2008	18	35	24	16	7	53	40
Mid-October, 2008	19	38	22	14	7	57	36
August, 2008	17	37	26	15	5	54	41
June, 2008	19	38	24	13	6	57	37
November, 2007	18	33	29	15	5	51	44
October, 2007	21	32	24	15	8	53	39
August, 2007	17	35	26	17	5	52	43
AP/Ipsos-Poll: February, 2006	19	32	27	16	6	51	43
ABC/WaPo: December, 2005	17	40	27	13	3	57	40
ABC/WaPo: April, 2005	20	36	27	14	3	56	41
ABC/WaPo: December, 2004	21	34	25	17	3	55	42
ABC/WaPo: May, 2004	23	31	23	20	2	54	43
ABC/WaPo: January, 2003	23	34	25	17	2	57	42
ABC/WaPo: August, 2001	22	27	28	20	3	49	48
ABC/BeliefNet: June, 2001	22	31	23	20	4	53	43
ABC/WaPo: January, 2001	21	38	25	14	1	59	39
ABC/WaPo: September, 2000 (RVs)	20	35	25	16	3	55	41
ABC/WaPo: July, 2000	20	33	26	17	4	53	43
ABC/WaPo: September, 1999	20	37	26	15	2	57	41
ABC/WaPo: March, 1999	21	34	27	15	3	55	42
ABC/WaPo: July, 1998	19	35	29	13	4	54	42
ABC/WaPo: August, 1996	22	34	27	14	3	56	41
ABC/WaPo: June, 1996	24	34	25	14	2	58	39
ABC/WaPo: October, 1995	26	35	25	12	3	61	37
ABC: September, 1995	24	36	25	11	4	60	36
ABC/WaPo: July, 1995	27	32	26	14	1	59	40

RANDOMIZE Q.75 AND Q.76**ASK ALL:**

Q.76 Do you strongly favor, favor, oppose, or strongly oppose allowing gays and lesbians to marry legally?

	-----Favor-----			-----Oppose-----			(VOL.)
	Strongly			Strongly			
	Total	<i>favor</i>	<i>Favor</i>	Total	<i>oppose</i>	<i>Oppose</i>	DK/Ref
Mar 17-26, 2016	55	26	30	37	15	22	7
Jul 14-20, 2015	54	28	26	39	18	20	7
May 12-18, 2015	57	28	28	39	21	18	5
Sep 2-9, 2014	49	24	25	41	20	22	10
Feb 12-26, 2014	54	24	30	39	19	20	7

Q.76 CONTINUED...

	-----Favor-----			-----Oppose-----			(VOL.)
	<i>Strongly</i>			<i>Strongly</i>			
	<u>Total</u>	<u>favor</u>	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>oppose</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>DK/Ref</u>
May 1-5, 2013 ¹²	51	21	30	42	19	22	8
Mar 13-17, 2013	49	22	27	44	22	21	8
Oct 24-28, 2012	49	22	27	40	19	21	11
Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	48	23	25	44	24	20	8
Jun 7-17, 2012	48	23	25	44	23	21	9
Apr 4-15, 2012	47	22	25	43	22	21	11
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	46	--	--	44	--	--	9
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	45	20	25	46	25	21	9
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	43	16	27	47	26	22	10
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	41	17	24	48	24	24	10
Aug 11-17, 2009	39	14	25	53	31	22	8
Mid-April, 2009	35	14	21	54	31	23	11
August, 2008	39	13	26	52	30	22	9
June, 2008	40	15	25	52	31	21	8
Late May, 2008	38	15	23	49	29	20	13
November, 2007	36	12	24	54	29	25	10
August, 2007	36	13	23	55	31	24	9
Early January, 2007	37	13	24	55	33	22	8
Early November, 2006 (RVs)	30	10	20	57	31	26	13
July, 2006	35	12	23	56	31	25	9
June, 2006	33	13	20	55	32	23	12
March, 2006	39	10	29	51	28	23	10
July, 2005	36	13	23	53	31	22	11
December, 2004	32	14	18	61	38	23	7
August, 2004	29	8	21	60	35	25	11
July, 2004	32	10	22	56	33	23	12
Mid-March, 2004	32	10	22	59	35	24	9
Early February, 2004	30	9	21	63	42	21	7
November, 2003	30	10	20	62	41	21	8
October, 2003	30	9	21	58	33	25	12
Mid-July, 2003	38	10	28	53	30	23	9
March, 2001	35	8	27	57	34	23	8
June, 1996	27	6	21	65	41	24	8

ASK ALL:

Thinking about free trade agreements...

Q.77 In general, do you think that free trade agreements between the U.S. and other countries have been a good thing or a bad thing for the United States?

	<u>Good thing</u>	<u>Bad thing</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
Mar 17-26, 2016	51	39	10
May 12-18, 2015	58	33	9
Feb 27-Mar 16, 2014	59	30	10
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	48	41	12
Mar 31-Apr 21, 2009	52	34	14

¹²

In May 1-5, 2013, Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012, Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011, July 21-Aug 5, 2010, Aug 11-17, 2009, August 2008, August 2007, Early January 2007, Early November 2006, March 2006, July 2005, December 2004, Early February 2004, November 2003, Mid-July 2003, March 2001 and June 1996 the question was asked as part of a list of items. In Jun 7-17, 2012, Apr 4-15, 2012, August 2009, April 2009, May 2008 and June 2008, the question read "allowing gay and lesbian couples;" all other instances read "allowing gays and lesbians."

Q.77 TREND FOR COMPARISON CONTINUED...**TREND FOR COMPARISON:**

In general, do you think that free trade agreements like NAFTA and the policies of the World Trade Organization have been a good thing or a bad thing for the United States?

	<u>Good thing</u>	<u>Bad thing</u>	<u>(VOL.)</u> <u>DK/Ref</u>
Nov 4-7, 2010	35	44	21
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	43	32	25
Mar 31-Apr 21, 2009	44	35	21
April, 2008	35	48	17
November, 2007	40	40	20
December, 2006 ¹³	44	35	21
Late October, 2005	44	34	22
December, 2004	47	34	19
July, 2004	47	34	19
March, 2004	44	37	19
December, 2003	34	33	33
Early September, 2001	49	29	22
November, 1997	45	34	21
September, 1997	47	30	23

ASK ALL:

Q.78 Thinking about the financial situation of you and your family... Do you think free trade agreements have definitely helped, probably helped, probably hurt, or definitely hurt the financial situation of you and your family?

	<u>Definitely</u> <u>helped</u>	<u>Probably</u> <u>helped</u>	<u>Probably</u> <u>hurt</u>	<u>Definitely</u> <u>hurt</u>	<u>(VOL.)</u> Neither/ Doesn't affect me/ Hasn't helped <u>or hurt</u>	<u>(VOL.)</u> <u>DK/Ref</u>
Mar 17-26, 2016	6	39	26	11	10	8
May 12-18, 2015	4	38	24	12	11	10
Nov 4-7, 2010	3	23	27	19	16	12
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	4	29	26	14	11	17
April, 2008	3	24	32	16	13	12
December, 2006	3	32	24	12	11	18
July, 2004	2	31	25	16	12	13
December, 2003	2	25	24	14	15	20

NO QUESTION 79**ASK ALL:**

Q.80 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?

	<u>Yes, government</u> <u>responsibility</u>	<u>No, not government</u> <u>responsibility</u>	<u>(VOL.)</u> <u>DK/Ref</u>
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

¹³

In December 2006, December 2004, July 2004 and March 2004, the question wording asked about: "free trade agreements like NAFTA and the World Trade Organization," and did not mention "policies of" the World Trade Organization. In October 2005 the question asked: "So far, do you think that NAFTA has been a good thing or a bad thing from a U.S. point of view?" In December 2003 the question wording asked about "free trade agreements like NAFTA and the WTO;" full names of the organizations were read out only if the respondent was uncertain. In Early September 2001 and earlier the question asked about: "...NAFTA, the North American Free Trade Agreement..."

Q.80 CONTINUED...

	Yes, government <u>responsibility</u>	No, not government <u>responsibility</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
<i>Gallup</i> : Nov 3-6, 2011	50	46	4
<i>Gallup</i> : Nov 4-7, 2010	47	50	3
<i>Gallup</i> : Nov 5-8, 2009	47	50	3
<i>Gallup</i> : November, 2008	54	41	5
<i>Gallup</i> : November, 2007	64	33	3
<i>Gallup</i> : November, 2006	69	28	3
<i>Gallup</i> : November, 2005	58	38	4
<i>Gallup</i> : November, 2004	64	34	2
<i>Gallup</i> : November, 2003	59	39	2
<i>Gallup</i> : November, 2002	62	35	3
<i>Gallup</i> : November, 2001	62	34	4
<i>Gallup</i> : September, 2000	64	31	5
<i>Gallup</i> : January, 2000	59	38	3

NO QUESTIONS 81-84**ASK ALL:**

Q.85 Which comes closer to your view about how to handle undocumented immigrants who are now living in the U.S.? **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**

ASK IF NOT ALLOWED TO STAY IN COUNTRY LEGALLY (Q.85=1) [N=524]:

Q.86 Do you think there should be a national law enforcement effort to deport all immigrants who are now living in the U.S. illegally, or should that not be done?

	Allowed to stay <u>legally</u>	Not allowed to stay <u>legally</u>	<i>Should be</i> <i>law enforcement</i> <i>effort to deport</i>	<i>Should NOT be</i> <i>law enforcement</i> <i>effort to deport</i>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
Mar 17-26, 2016	75	23	17	5	1	2
Sep 22-27, 2015	74	24	--	--	--	3
May 12-18, 2015	72	27	--	--	--	2
Dec 3-7, 2014 (U)	70	27	--	--	--	3
Oct 15-20, 2014	71	25	--	--	--	3
Jul 8-14, 2014	68	30	--	--	--	3
Feb 14-23, 2014	73	24	--	--	--	3
Jun 12-16, 2013	71	27	--	--	--	2
May 1-5, 2013	73	25	--	--	---	3
Mar 13-17, 2013 ¹⁴	71	27	--	--	--	2

¹⁴

In May 2013 and March 2013, question read "Which comes closer to your view about how to handle immigrants who are now living in the U.S. illegally?" and the second answer choice read "There should be a way for those who meet certain requirements to stay in the country legally."

ASK ALL FORM 1 ONLY [N=1,130]:

Q.87F1 All in all, would you favor or oppose building a fence along the entire border with Mexico?

Mar 17-26 <u>2016</u>		Sep 22-27, <u>2015</u>	Sep 22-Oct 4, <u>2011</u> ¹⁵
38	Favor	46	46
58	Oppose	48	47
4	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	5	6

TRENDS FOR COMPARISON:*Building a fence along 700 miles of the border with Mexico*

	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>(VOL.)</u> <u>DK/Ref</u>
January, 2007	46	48	6
CNN: September, 2006	54	44	2

ASK ALL FORM 2 ONLY [N=1,124]:

Q.88F2 All in all, would you favor or oppose building a wall along the entire border with Mexico?

Mar 17-26 <u>2016</u>	
34	Favor
62	Oppose
4	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

NO QUESTION 89**ASK ALL:**Q.90 Thinking about the long term future of Social Security, do you think **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**?

Mar 17-26 <u>2016</u>		Jan 23-Feb 9 <u>2014</u>
27	Some reductions in benefits for future retirees need to be considered	31
70	Social Security benefits should not be reduced in any way	67
3	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	3

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>	<u>(VOL.)</u> <u>No preference</u>	<u>(VOL.)</u> <u>Other party</u>	<u>(VOL.)</u> <u>DK/Ref</u>	<u>Lean Rep</u>	<u>Lean Dem</u>
Mar 17-26, 2016	25	31	38	3	*	2	15	20
Jan 7-14, 2016	24	30	38	5	1	2	14	17
Dec 8-13, 2015	26	31	37	4	*	2	16	15
Aug 27-Oct 4, 2015	24	29	41	4	*	2	17	17
Sep 22-27, 2015	26	30	40	2	*	2	15	16
Jul 14-20, 2015	22	32	41	4	*	1	15	19
May 12-18, 2015	24	32	38	3	1	2	15	18
Mar 25-29, 2015	25	30	39	4	*	2	15	17
Yearly Totals								
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

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In Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011, item was asked as part of a list.

PARTY/PARTYLN CONTINUED...

				(VOL.) No	(VOL.) Other	(VOL.) DK/Ref	Lean	Lean
	<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>	<u>preference</u>	<u>party</u>		<u>Rep</u>	<u>Dem</u>
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 REPUBLICANS AND REPUBLICAN-LEANING VOTERS (PARTY=1 OR PARTYLN=1) AND (REG=1):

Q.99 If Donald Trump is the Republican nominee, do you think the Republican Party will unite solidly behind him or do you think disagreements within the party will keep many Republicans from supporting Trump?

BASED ON REPUBLICAN/REPUBLICAN-LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=834]:

Mar 17-26

2016

38	Solidly unite
56	Keep many from supporting
6	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

TRENDS FOR COMPARISON:

		<u>Solidly</u> <u>unite</u>	<u>Keep many</u> <u>from supporting</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
Romney	Apr 4-15, 2012	65	25	10
Romney	Feb 8-12, 2012	57	32	11
McCain	May, 2008 ¹⁶	63	26	11
McCain	March, 2008	64	22	14
McCain	Late February, 2008	58	32	10
Dole	July, 1996	46	39	15

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From February-May 2008 the question read: "Do you think the Republican Party will unite solidly behind John McCain or do you think that differences and disagreements within the party will keep many Republicans from supporting McCain." This question was asked about Bob Dole after the Republican nomination had been settled.

ASK DEMOCRATS AND DEMOCRATIC-LEANING VOTERS (PARTY=2 OR PARTYLN=2) AND (REG=1):

Q.100 If Hillary Clinton is the Democratic nominee, do you think the Democratic Party will unite solidly behind her or do you think disagreements within the party will keep many Democrats from supporting Clinton?

BASED ON DEMOCRATIC/DEMOCRATIC-LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=842]:

Mar 17-26

2016

64	Solidly unite
30	Keep many from supporting
6	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

TRENDS FOR COMPARISON:

		Solidly <u>unite</u>	Keep many <u>from supporting</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
Obama	May, 2008 ¹⁷	61	31	8
Obama	March, 2008	66	25	9
H. Clinton	March, 2008	64	28	8
Kerry	July, 2004	71	15	14
B. Clinton	July, 1992	45	38	17

Key to Pew Research trends noted in the topline:

(U)	Pew Research Center/USA Today polls
(WP)	Pew Research Center/Washington Post polls
(SDT)	Pew Research Social and Demographic Trends

¹⁷ In May 2008, the question read: "If Barack Obama is the Democratic candidate, do you think the Democratic Party will solidly unite behind him or do you think that differences and disagreements within the party will keep many Democrats from supporting Obama." In March 2008, the question began: "If Barack Obama wins the Democratic nomination..." but otherwise has the same language as May 2008. These questions were asked about John Kerry and Bill Clinton after the Democratic nominations had been settled.