

**PEW RESEARCH CENTER  
MAY 2015 POLITICAL SURVEY  
FINAL TOPLINE  
MAY 12-18, 2015  
N=2,002**

**QUESTIONS 1-3, 10a-b PREVIOUSLY RELEASED****NO QUESTIONS 4-9****ASK ALL:**

Now thinking about how Barack Obama is handling some issues ...

Q.10 Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling [INSERT ITEM, RANDOMIZE; OBSERVE FORM SPLITS]? How about [NEXT ITEM]? [REPEAT INTRODUCTION AS NECESSARY]

|                                    | <u>Approve</u> | <u>Disapprove</u> | <u>(VOL.)<br/>DK/Ref</u> |
|------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|--------------------------|
| c. The nation's immigration policy |                |                   |                          |
| May 12-18, 2015                    | 37             | 56                | 7                        |
| Dec 3-7, 2014                      | 38             | 56                | 6                        |
| Aug 20-24, 2014 (U)                | 31             | 61                | 7                        |
| Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013                 | 32             | 60                | 7                        |
| Jun 12-16, 2013                    | 43             | 47                | 11                       |
| Feb 13-18, 2013 (U)                | 44             | 43                | 13                       |
| Nov 9-14, 2011                     | 32             | 49                | 20                       |
| Jan 6-9, 2011                      | 35             | 50                | 16                       |
| Jun 16-20, 2010                    | 33             | 54                | 12                       |
| May 6-9, 2010                      | 25             | 54                | 21                       |
| Apr 21-26, 2010                    | 29             | 47                | 24                       |
| Jan 6-10, 2010                     | 30             | 50                | 21                       |
| Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009                 | 31             | 48                | 21                       |

**QUESTIONS 10dF1-gF2, 11-18 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED****NO QUESTIONS 19-23****QUESTION 24a HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE****ASK ALL:**

Q.24 Here are 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]

|                          | Immigrants today<br>strengthen our country<br>because of their hard work<br><u>and talents</u> | Immigrants today are a<br>burden on our country<br>because they take our<br>jobs, housing and health<br><u>care</u> | <u>(VOL.)<br/>Both/Neither/<br/>DK/Ref</u> |
|--------------------------|--|---|--|
| b. 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   |

**QUESTION 24 CONTINUED...**

|                 | Immigrants today<br>strengthen our country<br>because of their hard work<br><u>and talents</u> | Immigrants today are a<br>burden on our country<br>because they take our<br>jobs, housing and health<br><u>care</u> | (VOL.)<br>Both/Neither/<br>DK/Ref |
|-----------------|--|---|-----------------------------------|
| 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                                |
| 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 QUESTIONS 25-27****QUESTIONS 28-35 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED****ASK ALL:**

Q.36 Which comes closer to your view about how to handle undocumented immigrants who are now living in the U.S.? **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]** [They should not be allowed to stay in this country legally] [OR] [There should be a way for them to stay in the country legally, if certain requirements are met]

**ASK IF ALLOWED TO STAY IN THE COUNTRY (Q.36=2) [N=1,467]:**

Q.37 And do you think immigrants who are in the U.S. illegally and meet the requirements should **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]** [Be able to apply for U.S. citizenship] [OR] [Be able to apply for permanent residency, but not U.S. citizenship]

|                              | Allowed<br>to stay<br><u>legally</u> | <i>Apply<br/>for<br/>citizenship</i> | <i>Permanent<br/>residency, not<br/>citizenship</i> | (VOL.)<br><u>DK/Ref</u> | Not allowed<br>to stay<br><u>legally</u> | (VOL.)<br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|-------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| May 12-18, 2015              | 72                                   | 42                                   | 26  | 4                       | 27                                       | 2                       |
| Dec 3-7, 2014 (U)            | 70                                   | 43                                   | 24  | 3                       | 27                                       | 3                       |
| Oct 15-20, 2014              | 71                                   | 42                                   | 25  | 4                       | 25                                       | 3                       |
| Jul 8-14, 2014               | 68                                   | 40                                   | 24  | 3                       | 30                                       | 3                       |
| Feb 14-23, 2014              | 73                                   | 46                                   | 24  | 3                       | 24                                       | 3                       |
| Jun 12-16, 2013              | 71                                   | --                                   | --  | --                      | 27                                       | 2                       |
| May 1-5, 2013                | 73                                   | 44                                   | 25  | 4                       | 25                                       | 3                       |
| Mar 13-17, 2013 <sup>1</sup> | 71                                   | 43                                   | 24  | 4                       | 27                                       | 2                       |

**ASK ALL:**

Thinking about LEGAL immigration,

Q.38a Should LEGAL immigration into the United States be kept at its present level, increased or decreased?

| May 12-18<br><u>2015</u> |                           | May 1-5<br><u>2013</u> | Mar<br><u>2006</u> |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|
| 39                       | Kept at present level     | 31                     | 37                 |
| 24                       | Increased                 | 25                     | 17                 |
| 31                       | Decreased                 | 36                     | 40                 |
| 6                        | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) | 8                      | 6                  |

<sup>1</sup> 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."

**QUESTION 38a CBS/NEW YORK TIMES TREND FOR COMPARISON CONTINUED...**

|                        | <u>Kept at<br/>present level</u> | <u>Increased</u> | <u>Decreased</u> | <b>(VOL.)<br/>DK/Ref</b> |
|------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------------|
| April 24-28, 2013      | 35                               | 25               | 31               | 8                        |
| Sept 10-15, 2011       | 36                               | 19               | 38               | 7                        |
| April 28-May 2, 2010   | 44                               | 17               | 31               | 8                        |
| April 5-12, 2010       | 35                               | 16               | 41               | 8                        |
| July 7-14, 2008        | 38                               | 23               | 32               | 7                        |
| May 18-23, 2007        | 39                               | 20               | 35               | 6                        |
| March 7-11, 2007       | 30                               | 18               | 48               | 4                        |
| May 4-8, 2006          | 39                               | 22               | 34               | 5                        |
| April 6-9, 2006        | 33                               | 16               | 45               | 6                        |
| October 3-5, 2005      | 30                               | 11               | 51               | 8                        |
| July 29-August 2, 2005 | 32                               | 13               | 51               | 4                        |
| January 12-15, 2004    | 34                               | 16               | 45               | 5                        |
| July 13-27, 2003       | 37                               | 9                | 48               | 6                        |
| December 7-10, 2001    | 29                               | 9                | 59               | 3                        |
| September 20-23, 2001  | 29                               | 11               | 57               | 3                        |
| September 13-14, 2001  | 29                               | 10               | 53               | 8                        |
| October 23-27, 1996    | 35                               | 8                | 50               | 7                        |

**ASK ALL:**

Q.38b When it comes to reducing illegal immigration at U.S. borders, do you think there is a lot more the government can do, somewhat more, not much more, or nothing more that can be done?

| <u>May 12-18<br/>2015</u> |                                  | <u>May 1-5<br/>2013</u> |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 51                        | A lot                            | 53                      |
| 29                        | Somewhat                         | 30                      |
| 12                        | Not much                         | 8                       |
| 4                         | Nothing                          | 5                       |
| 4                         | Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b> | 4                       |

**ASK ALL:**

Q.38c In your own view, do you feel that giving people who came to the U.S. illegally a way to gain legal status is like rewarding them for doing something wrong, or don't you think of it this way?

| <u>May 12-18<br/>2015</u> |   | <u>May 1-5<br/>2013</u> |
|---------------------------|---|-------------------------|
| 36                        | Like rewarding them for doing something wrong | 37                      |
| 58                        | Don't think of it this way                    | 56                      |
| 6                         | Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>              | 7                       |

**QUESTIONS 39, 44-46, 61F2-64F2 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED****QUESTIONS 40-42F1, 47-53 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE****NO QUESTIONS 43, 54-60, 65-69****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.)<br/>No<br/>preference</b> | <b>(VOL.)<br/>Other<br/>party</b> | <b>(VOL.)<br/>DK/Ref</b> | <u>Lean<br/>Rep</u> | <u>Lean<br/>Dem</u> |
|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| May 12-18, 2015 | 24                | 32              | 38                 | 3                                   | 1                                 | 2                        | 15                  | 18                  |
| Mar 25-29, 2015 | 25                | 30              | 39                 | 4                                   | *                                 | 2                        | 15                  | 17                  |
| Feb 18-22, 2015 | 24                | 31              | 38                 | 4                                   | 1                                 | 1                        | 18                  | 17                  |

**PARTY/PARTYLN CONTINUED...**

|                      |            |          |             | (VOL.)        | (VOL.)      | (VOL.) | Lean | Lean |
|----------------------|------------|----------|-------------|---------------|-------------|--------|------|------|
|                      | Republican | Democrat | Independent | No preference | Other party | DK/Ref | Rep  | Dem  |
| Jan 7-11, 2015       | 21         | 30       | 44          | 3             | 1           | 1      | 19   | 18   |
| Dec 3-7, 2014        | 24         | 31       | 39          | 3             | 1           | 2      | 17   | 17   |
| Nov 6-9, 2014        | 27         | 32       | 36          | 2             | *           | 1      | 15   | 16   |
| Oct 15-20, 2014      | 24         | 33       | 38          | 4             | *           | 1      | 13   | 17   |
| Sep 2-9, 2014        | 24         | 33       | 38          | 3             | 1           | 2      | 15   | 15   |
| Aug 20-24, 2014      | 24         | 31       | 37          | 4             | 1           | 4      | 15   | 16   |
| Jul 8-14, 2014       | 25         | 34       | 37          | 2             | 1           | 1      | 16   | 15   |
| Apr 23-27, 2014      | 24         | 30       | 41          | 2             | 1           | 2      | 18   | 17   |
| <b>Yearly Totals</b> |            |          |             |               |             |        |      |      |
| 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 REPUBLICANS AND REPUBLICAN LEANERS ONLY (PARTY=1 OR PARTYLN=1):**

TEAPARTY3 From what you know, do you agree or disagree with the Tea Party movement, or don't you have an opinion either way?

**BASED ON REPUBLICANS AND REPUBLICAN LEANERS [N=835]:**

|                 | Agree | Disagree | No opinion either way | (VOL.)<br>Haven't heard of | (VOL.)<br>Refused | Not heard of/<br>DK |
|-----------------|-------|----------|-----------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| May 12-18, 2015 | 34    | 13       | 51                    | 1                          | *                 | --                  |
| Mar 25-29, 2015 | 35    | 11       | 52                    | 1                          | 1                 | --                  |
| Feb 18-22, 2015 | 36    | 9        | 54                    | *                          | *                 | --                  |
| Jan 7-11, 2015  | 34    | 9        | 54                    | 1                          | 2                 | --                  |
| Dec 3-7, 2014   | 34    | 9        | 55                    | 2                          | 1                 | --                  |
| Nov 6-9, 2014   | 31    | 10       | 57                    | 1                          | 1                 | --                  |
| Oct 15-20, 2014 | 32    | 8        | 56                    | 2                          | 2                 | --                  |
| Sep 2-9, 2014   | 38    | 10       | 50                    | 1                          | 1                 | --                  |
| Aug 20-24, 2014 | 34    | 10       | 53                    | *                          | 2                 | --                  |

## TEAPARTY3 CONTINUED...

|                            | Agree | Disagree | No opinion<br>either way | (VOL.)<br>Haven't<br>heard of | (VOL.)<br>Refused | Not<br>heard of/<br>DK |
|----------------------------|-------|----------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| Jul 8-14, 2014             | 35    | 12       | 50                       | 2                             | 1                 | --                     |
| Apr 23-27, 2014            | 33    | 11       | 54                       | 1                             | 1                 | --                     |
| Jan 23-Mar 16, 2014        | 37    | 11       | 50                       | 1                             | 1                 | --                     |
| Feb 14-23, 2014            | 36    | 9        | 54                       | 1                             | 1                 | --                     |
| Jan 15-19, 2014            | 35    | 12       | 52                       | 1                             | *                 | --                     |
| Dec 3-8, 2013              | 32    | 9        | 57                       | 1                             | 1                 | --                     |
| Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013         | 40    | 9        | 48                       | 2                             | 1                 | --                     |
| Oct 9-13, 2013             | 41    | 11       | 45                       | 2                             | 1                 | --                     |
| Sep 4-8, 2013              | 35    | 9        | 54                       | 1                             | 1                 | --                     |
| Jul 17-21, 2013            | 37    | 10       | 50                       | 2                             | 1                 | --                     |
| Jun 12-16, 2013            | 44    | 9        | 46                       | 1                             | 2                 | --                     |
| May 23-26, 2013            | 41    | 7        | 48                       | 1                             | 3                 | --                     |
| May 1-5, 2013              | 28    | 8        | 61                       | 2                             | 1                 | --                     |
| Mar 13-17, 2013            | 43    | 7        | 47                       | 1                             | 1                 | --                     |
| Feb 13-18, 2013            | 36    | 9        | 52                       | 1                             | 3                 | --                     |
| Feb 14-17, 2013            | 43    | 9        | 45                       | 1                             | 2                 | --                     |
| Jan 9-13, 2013             | 35    | 10       | 51                       | 2                             | 2                 | --                     |
| Dec 5-9, 2012              | 37    | 11       | 51                       | 1                             | *                 | --                     |
| Oct 31-Nov 3, 2012 (RVs)   | 40    | 8        | 49                       | 1                             | 2                 | --                     |
| Oct 4-7, 2012              | 38    | 9        | 50                       | 1                             | 3                 | --                     |
| Sep 12-16, 2013            | 39    | 7        | 52                       | 1                             | 1                 | --                     |
| Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012         | 40    | 9        | 47                       | 2                             | 1                 | --                     |
| Jun 7-17, 2012             | 42    | 8        | 48                       | 1                             | 1                 | --                     |
| May 9-Jun 3, 2012          | 36    | 9        | 53                       | 1                             | 2                 | --                     |
| Apr 4-15, 2012             | 42    | 8        | 48                       | 1                             | 1                 | --                     |
| Mar 7-11, 2012             | 38    | 10       | 49                       | 2                             | 1                 | --                     |
| Feb 8-12, 2012             | 40    | 7        | 51                       | 1                             | 1                 | --                     |
| Jan 11-16, 2012            | 42    | 8        | 47                       | 1                             | 1                 | --                     |
| Jan 4-8, 2012              | 37    | 8        | 52                       | 1                             | 1                 | --                     |
| Dec 7-11, 2011             | 40    | 9        | 48                       | 2                             | 1                 | --                     |
| Nov 9-14, 2011             | 41    | 9        | 49                       | *                             | 1                 | --                     |
| Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011         | 37    | 11       | 51                       | 1                             | 1                 | --                     |
| Aug 17-21, 2011            | 43    | 7        | 49                       | *                             | 1                 | --                     |
| Jul 20-24, 2011            | 40    | 7        | 51                       | *                             | 1                 | --                     |
| Jun 15-19, 2011            | 42    | 9        | 47                       | 1                             | 1                 | --                     |
| May 25-30, 2011            | 37    | 7        | 52                       | 1                             | 3                 | --                     |
| Mar 30-Apr 3, 2011         | 45    | 9        | 46                       | *                             | 1                 | --                     |
| Mar 8-14, 2011             | 37    | 7        | 54                       | 1                             | *                 | --                     |
| Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011         | 41    | 9        | 48                       | 1                             | 1                 | --                     |
| Feb 2-7, 2011 <sup>2</sup> | 43    | 8        | 47                       | 1                             | 1                 | --                     |
| Jan 5-9, 2011              | 45    | 6        | 47                       | 1                             | 1                 | --                     |
| Dec 1-5, 2010              | 48    | 5        | 45                       | 1                             | 1                 | --                     |
| Nov 4-7, 2010              | 51    | 5        | 42                       | 1                             | 1                 | --                     |
| Oct 27-30, 2010 (RVs)      | 58    | 5        | 27                       | --                            | 1                 | 9                      |
| Oct 13-18, 2010 (RVs)      | 54    | 5        | 30                       | --                            | 1                 | 10                     |
| Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010 (RVs)   | 56    | 6        | 29                       | --                            | *                 | 9                      |
| Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010         | 46    | 5        | 36                       | --                            | 1                 | 13                     |
| Jun 16-20, 2010            | 46    | 5        | 30                       | --                            | *                 | 19                     |
| May 20-23, 2010            | 53    | 4        | 25                       | --                            | 1                 | 16                     |
| Mar 11-21, 2010            | 48    | 4        | 26                       | --                            | 1                 | 21                     |

<sup>2</sup> In the February 2-7, 2011, survey and before, question read "...do you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree with the Tea Party movement..." In October 2010 and earlier, question was asked only of those who had heard or read a lot or a little about the Tea Party. In May 2010 through October 2010, it was described as: "the Tea Party movement that has been involved in campaigns and protests in the U.S. over the past year." In March 2010 it was described as "the Tea Party protests that have taken place in the U.S. over the past year."

**QUESTIONS 70a-b PREVIOUSLY RELEASED****ASK REPUBLICANS AND REPUBLICAN LEANERS (PARTY=1 OR PARTYLN=1):**

Q.70 Thinking about how the Republican Party is handling some issues today... Do you think the Republican Party is doing a good job, OR is it NOT doing a good job representing your views on **[ITEM; RANDOMIZE]**? How about **[NEXT ITEM]**? Do you think the Republican Party is doing a good job, OR is it NOT doing a good job representing your views on **[ITEM]**? And, how about **[NEXT ITEM]**? **[IF NECESSARY: Do you think the Republican Party is doing a good job, OR is it NOT doing a good job representing your views on this issue?]**

**BASED ON REPUBLICANS AND REPUBLICAN LEANERS [N=835]:**

|    |                     | <u>Good job</u> | <u>Not doing<br/>a good job</u> | <b>(VOL.)</b><br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|----|---------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| c. | Illegal immigration |                 |                                 |                                |
|    | May 12-18, 2015     | 34              | 59                              | 7                              |
|    | Sep 2-9, 2014       | 37              | 56                              | 7                              |

**NO QUESTION 71****QUESTIONS 72a-b PREVIOUSLY RELEASED****ASK DEMOCRATS AND DEMOCRATIC LEANERS (PARTY=2 OR PARTYLN=2):**

Q.72 Thinking about how the Democratic Party is handling some issues today... Do you think the Democratic Party is doing a good job, OR is it NOT doing a good job representing your views on **[ITEM; RANDOMIZE]**? How about **[NEXT ITEM]**? Do you think the Democratic Party is doing a good job, OR is it NOT doing a good job representing your views on **[ITEM]**? And, how about **[NEXT ITEM]**? **[IF NECESSARY: Do you think the Democratic Party is doing a good job, OR is it NOT doing a good job representing your views on this issue?]**

**BASED ON DEMOCRATS AND DEMOCRATIC LEANERS [N=975]:**

|    |                     | <u>Good job</u> | <u>Not doing<br/>a good job</u> | <b>(VOL.)</b><br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|----|---------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| c. | Illegal immigration |                 |                                 |                                |
|    | May 12-18, 2015     | 51              | 43                              | 7                              |
|    | Sep 2-9, 2014       | 47              | 44                              | 9                              |

**NO QUESTION 73**

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

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Pew Research Center/USA Today polls

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