

**PEW RESEARCH CENTER FOR THE PEOPLE & THE PRESS/USA TODAY
JANUARY 2014 POLITICAL SURVEY
FINAL TOPLINE
January 15-19, 2014
N=1,504**

**QUESTIONS 1-2 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED
QUESTIONS 3-4, 9-16 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE
NO QUESTIONS 5-8, 17**

ASK ALL:

Q.18 Now I'd like your opinion of some people in the news. (First,) would you say your overall opinion of **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE; OBSERVE FORM SPLITS]** is very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable? How about **[NEXT NAME]**? **[IF NECESSARY: Just in general, is your overall opinion of [NAME] very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable?]** **[INTERVIEWERS: PROBE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN "NEVER HEARD OF" AND "CAN'T RATE."]**

ITEMS a-c HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

| | -----Favorable----- | | | -----Unfavorable----- | | | (VOL.) | (VOL.) |
|---------------------|---------------------|------|--------|-----------------------|------|--------|----------------|----------------|
| | Total | Very | Mostly | Total | Very | Mostly | Never heard of | Can't rate/Ref |
| d. Chris Christie | | | | | | | | |
| Jan 15-19, 2014 (U) | 38 | 8 | 30 | 34 | 10 | 24 | 16 | 12 |
| Jan 9-13, 2013 | 40 | 10 | 30 | 17 | 7 | 11 | 26 | 16 |

**NO QUESTIONS 19, 22
QUESTIONS 20-21, 23-26 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE
QUESTIONS 27-31c PREVIOUSLY RELEASED**

ASK ALL:

Q.32 How much, if anything, have you heard about New Jersey Governor Chris Christie's aides ordering the closure of highway lanes last year that caused major traffic jams? **[READ IN ORDER]**

(U)
Jan 15-19
2014
45 A lot
28 A little
27 Nothing at all
1 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

ASK IF HEARD A LOT OR A LITTLE (Q.32=1,2):

Q.33 Do you believe Chris Christie when he says he didn't have any knowledge of his aides' involvement in this incident until it became public, or do you not believe him?

BASED ON THOSE WHO HAVE HEARD A LOT OR A LITTLE [N=1,171]:

(U)
Jan 15-19
2014
32 Yes, believe Christie
58 No, do not believe Christie
11 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**QUESTIONS 34-38, 42, 45-50, 52 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE
NO QUESTIONS 39-41, 43, 51**

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> | (VOL.) No preference | (VOL.) Other party | (VOL.) DK/Ref | Lean Rep | Lean Dem |
|----------------------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Jan 15-19, 2014 | 21 | 31 | 41 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 18 | 16 |
| Dec 3-8, 2013 | 24 | 34 | 37 | 3 | * | 2 | 17 | 15 |
| Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013 | 24 | 32 | 38 | 4 | * | 2 | 16 | 14 |
| Oct 9-13, 2013 | 25 | 32 | 37 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 16 | 18 |
| Sep 4-8, 2013 | 26 | 32 | 38 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 17 | 15 |
| Jul 17-21, 2013 | 19 | 29 | 46 | 3 | * | 2 | 19 | 18 |
| Jun 12-16, 2013 | 23 | 33 | 39 | 3 | * | 2 | 17 | 15 |
| May 1-5, 2013 | 25 | 32 | 37 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 14 | 16 |
| Mar 13-17, 2013 | 26 | 33 | 34 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 14 | 15 |
| Feb 13-18, 2013 | 22 | 32 | 41 | 2 | * | 2 | 15 | 19 |
| Jan 9-13, 2013 | 25 | 32 | 38 | 2 | * | 2 | 15 | 16 |
| Yearly Totals | | | | | | | | |
| 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 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |

QUESTIONS REPJOB, DEMJOB, 53-55 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

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=624]:

| | Agree | Disagree | No opinion either way | (VOL.) Haven't heard of | (VOL.) Refused | Not heard of/ DK |
|----------------------------|-------|----------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| 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 ¹ | 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 |

¹ 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."

TEAPARTY3 CONTINUED...

| | <u>Agree</u> | <u>Disagree</u> | <u>No opinion either way</u> | (VOL.) <u>Haven't heard of</u> | (VOL.) <u>Refused</u> | Not heard of/ <u>DK</u> |
|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| May 20-23, 2010 | 53 | 4 | 25 | -- | 1 | 16 |
| Mar 11-21, 2010 | 48 | 4 | 26 | -- | 1 | 21 |

Key to Pew Research trends noted in the topline:

(U) Pew Research Center/USA Today polls