

**PEW RESEARCH CENTER  
SEPTEMBER 2018 POLITICAL SURVEY  
FINAL TOPLINE  
SEPTEMBER 18-24, 2018  
N=1,754**

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

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

	Satis- <u>fied</u>	Dis- <u>satisfied</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>		Satis- <u>fied</u>	Dis- <u>satisfied</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
Sep 18-24, 2018	33	61	6	Jun 7-17, 2012	28	68	5
Jun 5-12, 2018	34	61	6	May 9-Jun 3, 2012	29	64	7
Apr 25-May 1, 2018	33	62	6	Apr 4-15, 2012	24	69	6
Mar 7-14, 2018	30	66	4	Feb 8-12, 2012	28	66	6
Jan 10-15, 2018	32	62	6	Jan 11-16, 2012	21	75	4
Nov 29-Dec 4, 2017	27	68	6	Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	17	78	5
Oct 25-30, 2017	26	70	5	Aug 17-21, 2011	17	79	4
Jun 27-Jul 9, 2017	28	67	5	Jul 20-24, 2011	17	79	4
Apr 5-11, 2017	30	66	4	Jun 15-19, 2011	23	73	4
Feb 7-12, 2017	30	65	5	May 5-8, 2011	30	62	8
Jan 4-9, 2017	28	68	4	May 2, 2011	32	60	8
Nov 30-Dec 5, 2016	30	65	5	Mar 8-14, 2011	22	73	5
Oct 20-25, 2016	33	63	4	Feb 2-7, 2011	26	68	5
Aug 9-16, 2016	31	66	3	Jan 5-9, 2011	23	71	6
Jun 15-26, 2016	24	71	5	Dec 1-5, 2010	21	72	7
Apr 12-19, 2016	26	70	3	Nov 4-7, 2010	23	69	8
Mar 17-26, 2016	31	65	4	Sep 23-26, 2010	30	63	7
Jan 7-14, 2016	25	70	5	Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	25	71	5
Dec 8-13, 2015	25	72	3	Jun 24-27, 2010	27	64	9
Aug 27-Oct 4, 2015	27	67	5	May 13-16, 2010	28	64	7
Sep 22-27, 2015	27	69	4	Apr 21-26, 2010	29	66	5
Jul 14-20, 2015	31	64	4	Apr 1-5, 2010	31	63	6
May 12-18, 2015	29	67	4	Mar 11-21, 2010	25	69	5
Mar 25-29, 2015	31	64	5	Mar 10-14, 2010	23	71	7
Feb 18-22, 2015	33	62	5	Feb 3-9, 2010	23	71	6
Jan 7-11, 2015	31	66	4	Jan 6-10, 2010	27	69	4
Dec 3-7, 2014 (U)	26	71	3	Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	25	67	7
Nov 6-9, 2014	27	68	4	Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009	25	67	7
Oct 15-20, 2014	29	65	6	Sep 10-15, 2009 <sup>1</sup>	30	64	7
Sep 2-9, 2014	25	71	4	Aug 20-27, 2009	28	65	7
Aug 20-24, 2014	24	72	4	Aug 11-17, 2009	28	65	7
Jul 8-14, 2014	29	68	4	Jul 22-26, 2009	28	66	6
Apr 23-27, 2014	29	65	6	Jun 10-14, 2009	30	64	5
Feb 12-26, 2014	28	66	6	Apr 28-May 12, 2009	34	58	8
Jan 15-19, 2014	26	69	5	Apr 14-21, 2009	23	70	7
Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013	21	75	3	Jan 7-11, 2009	20	73	7
Oct 9-13, 2013	14	81	5	December, 2008	13	83	4
Jul 17-21, 2013	27	67	6	Early October, 2008	11	86	3
May 1-5, 2013	30	65	5	Mid-September, 2008	25	69	6
Feb 13-18, 2013 (U)	31	64	5	August, 2008	21	74	5
Jan 9-13, 2013	30	66	4	July, 2008	19	74	7
Dec 17-19, 2012	25	68	7	June, 2008	19	76	5
Dec 5-9, 2012	33	62	5	Late May, 2008	18	76	6
Oct 18-21, 2012	32	61	8	March, 2008	22	72	6
Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	31	64	5	Early February, 2008	24	70	6

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

**Q.1 CONTINUED...**

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

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

Q.2 Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump 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 Donald Trump is handling his job as President? IF STILL DEPENDS ENTER AS DK]**

	Approve	Disapprove	(VOL.) DK/Ref
Sep 18-24, 2018	38	55	7
Jun 5-12, 2018	40	54	6
Apr 25-May 1, 2018	39	54	6
Mar 7-14, 2018	39	54	7
Jan 10-15, 2018	37	56	7
Nov 29-Dec 4, 2017	32	63	5
Oct 25-30, 2017	34	59	7
Jun 8-18, 2017	39	55	7
Apr 5-11, 2017	39	54	6
Feb 7-12, 2017	39	56	6

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**NO QUESTIONS 3-6****ASK ALL:**

The Congressional elections will be coming up later this year.

CAMPNII How closely have you followed news about candidates and election campaigns in your state and district ... very closely, fairly closely, not too closely, or not at all closely?

	<u>Very closely</u>	<u>Fairly closely</u>	<u>Not too closely</u>	<u>Not at all closely</u>	<b>(VOL.) DK/Ref</b>
<b>2018 Election</b>					
Sep 18-24, 2018	26	35	21	17	1
Jun 5-12, 2018 <sup>2</sup>	20	31	28	21	1
Apr 25-May 1, 2018	19	32	26	23	*
<b>2014 Election</b>					
Oct 15-20, 2014	22	34	21	22	1
Jul 8-14, 2014	14	30	31	24	1
<b>2010 Election</b>					
Oct 27-30, 2010	27	35	17	20	1
Oct 13-18, 2010	24	34	22	19	1
Jun 16-20, 2010	15	33	31	20	*
<b>2006 Election</b>					
Early November, 2006	27	37	18	17	1
Late October, 2006 (RVs)	27	45	17	11	*
Early October, 2006	21	38	25	15	1
Early September, 2006	16	32	28	23	1
August, 2006	20	29	28	22	1
June, 2006	18	30	29	21	2
May, 2006	18	28	30	23	1
<b>2002 Election</b>					
Early November, 2002 (RVs)	27	46	18	9	*
Late October, 2002 (RVs)	28	34	24	13	1
Early October, 2002 (RVs)	21	46	22	10	1
Early September, 2002	17	29	29	24	1
<b>1998 Election</b>					
Late October, 1998 (RVs)	26	45	20	9	*
Early October, 1998 (RVs)	21	43	24	11	1
Early September, 1998	17	32	28	23	*
Early August, 1998	13	30	28	23	1
June, 1998	9	27	33	30	1
April, 1998	16	33	24	27	*
<b>1994 Election</b>					
November, 1994	18	42	25	15	*
Late October, 1994	14	38	31	16	1
Early October, 1994	23	34	23	19	1
September, 1994	19	34	29	18	*
<b>1990 Election</b>					
November, 1990	38	34	17	11	*
October, 1990	18	32	28	22	*

<sup>2</sup> In May 2018 and calendar dates before September, question was worded "How closely have you been following news..."

**ASK ALL:**

Q.7 If the elections for U.S. Congress were being held TODAY, would you vote for **[RANDOMIZE: "the Republican Party's candidate" OR "the Democratic Party's candidate"]** for Congress in your district?

**ASK IF 'OTHER' 'DON'T KNOW/REFUSED' (Q.7=3,9):**

Q.8 As of TODAY, do you LEAN more to the **[READ IN SAME ORDER AS Q.7; IF NECESSARY: "for U.S. Congress in your district"]**?

**BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1,439]:**

	Rep/ <u>Lean Rep</u>	Dem/ <u>Lean Dem</u>	(VOL.) Other/ <u>DK/Ref</u>
<b>2018 Election</b>			
Sep 18-24, 2018	42	52	6
Jun 5-12, 2018	43	48	8
Apr 25-May 1, 2018	43	48	9
Jan 10-15, 2018	39	53	8
Jun 27-Jul 9, 2017	40	53	7
<b>2014 Election</b>			
Oct 15-20, 2014	42	48	10
Sep 2-9, 2014	42	47	11
Aug 20-24, 2014 (U)	42	47	11
Jul 8-14, 2014	45	47	9
Apr 23-27, 2014 (U)	47	43	9
Feb 12-26, 2014	44	46	10
Dec 3-8, 2013 (U)	44	48	8
Oct 9-13, 2013	43	49	8
<b>2012 Election</b>			
Jun 7-17, 2012	43	47	10
Aug 17-21, 2011	44	48	8
<b>2010 Election</b>			
Oct 27-30, 2010	43	44	12
Oct 13-18, 2010	46	42	12
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	44	47	9
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	44	45	11
Jun 16-20, 2010	45	45	10
Mar 11-21, 2010	44	44	12
Feb 3-9, 2010	42	45	13
Jan 6-10, 2010	44	46	10
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	42	47	11
Aug 20-27, 2009	44	45	10
<b>2008 Election</b>			
June, 2008	37	52	11
<b>2006 Election</b>			
November, 2006	40	48	12
Late October, 2006	38	49	13
Early October, 2006	38	51	11
September, 2006	39	50	11
August, 2006	41	50	9
June, 2006	39	51	10
April, 2006	41	51	8
February, 2006	41	50	9
Mid-September, 2005	40	52	8
<b>2004 Election</b>			
June, 2004	41	48	11
<b>2002 Election</b>			
Early November, 2002	42	46	12
Early October, 2002	44	46	10
Early September, 2002	44	46	10
June, 2002	44	46	10

**Q.7/Q.8 CONTINUED...**

	Rep/ <u>Lean Rep</u>	Dem/ <u>Lean Dem</u>	(VOL.) Other/ <u>DK/Ref</u>
February, 2002	46	45	9
Early November, 2001	44	44	12
<b>2000 Election</b>			
Early November, 2000	42	48	10
Early October, 2000	43	47	10
July, 2000	43	47	10
February, 2000	44	47	9
October, 1999	43	49	8
June, 1999	40	50	10
<b>1998 Election</b>			
Late October, 1998	40	47	13
Early October, 1998	43	44	13
Early September, 1998	45	46	9
Late August, 1998	44	45	11
Early August, 1998	42	49	9
June, 1998	44	46	10
March, 1998	40	52	8
February, 1998	41	50	9
January, 1998	41	51	8
August, 1997	45	48	7
<b>1996 Election</b>			
November, 1996	41	48	11
October, 1996	42	49	9
Late September, 1996	43	49	8
Early September, 1996	43	51	6
July, 1996	46	47	7
June, 1996	44	50	6
March, 1996	44	49	7
January, 1996	46	47	7
October, 1995	48	48	4
August, 1995	50	43	7
<b>1994 Election</b>			
November, 1994	45	43	12
Late October, 1994	47	44	9
Early October, 1994	52	40	8
September, 1994	48	46	6
July, 1994	45	47	8

**NO QUESTIONS 9-10****ASK ALL:**

Q.11 Compared to previous congressional elections, are you more enthusiastic about voting than usual, or less enthusiastic?

**BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1,439]:**

	<u>More</u>	<u>Less</u>	(VOL.) <u>Same</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
<b>2018 Election</b>				
Sep 18-24, 2018	61	22	14	2
Jun 5-12, 2018	51	34	13	2
<b>2014 Election</b>				
Sep 2-9, 2014	40	41	15	4
Jul 8-14, 2014	40	45	13	3
<b>2010 Election</b>				
Oct 27-30, 2010	47	34	15	3
Oct 13-18, 2010	47	31	19	3

**Q.11 CONTINUED...**

	<u>More</u>	<u>Less</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>Same</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/ReF</u>
Jun 16-20, 2010	46	36	16	2
<b>2006 Election</b>				
November, 2006	44	35	19	2
Late October, 2006	41	34	23	2
Early October, 2006	39	36	21	4
September, 2006	37	40	20	3
June, 2006	38	40	18	4
<b>2002 Election</b>				
June, 2002	41	33	23	3
<b>1998 Election</b>				
June, 1998	38	45	15	2
<b>TREND FOR COMPARISON:</b>				
<b>1994 Election</b>				
<i>Gallup: October, 1994</i> <sup>3</sup>	34	44	20	2

**ASK ALL:**

Q.12 Will the issue of which party controls Congress, the Republicans or the Democrats, be a factor in your vote for Congress this year, or not?

**BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1,439]:**

	<u>Yes, will be a factor</u>	<u>No, will not</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
<b>2018 Election</b>			
Sep 18-24, 2018	72	25	3
Jun 5-12, 2018	68	29	2
Jan 10-15, 2018	63	32	5
<b>2014 Election</b>			
Oct 15-20, 2014	62	34	4
Jul 8-14, 2014	58	39	3
Apr 23-27, 2014 (U)	53	43	4
<b>2012 Election</b>			
Jun 7-17, 2012	49	48	3
<b>2010 Election</b>			
Oct 27-30, 2010	62	34	4
Oct 13-18, 2010	61	36	3
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	56	41	3
Jun 16-20, 2010	58	39	3
Feb 3-9, 2010	48	45	6
<b>2008 Election</b>			
June, 2008	44	51	5
<b>2006 Election</b>			
November, 2006	61	36	3
Late October, 2006	61	36	3
Early October, 2006	57	40	3
September, 2006	55	41	4
June, 2006	58	39	3
April, 2006	56	39	5
<b>2004 Election</b>			
June, 2004	43	51	6
<b>2002 Election</b>			
Early November, 2002	48	49	3
Early October, 2002	42	55	3
Early September, 2002	44	51	5
June, 2002	47	50	3
February, 2002	46	49	5

<sup>3</sup> In October, 1994 Gallup asked "Compared to previous elections..." and did not specify congressional elections.

**Q.12 CONTINUED...**

	Yes, will be <u>a factor</u>	No, <u>will not</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
<b>2000 Election</b>			
Early October, 2000	46	50	4
July, 2000	46	49	5
<b>1998 Election</b>			
Late October, 1998	46	50	4
Early October, 1998	47	49	4
Early September, 1998	41	56	3
Early August, 1998	44	53	3
June, 1998	45	51	4

**ASK ALL:**

Q.13 Do you think of your vote for Congress as a vote FOR Donald Trump, as a vote AGAINST Donald Trump, or isn't Donald Trump much of a factor in your vote?

**BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1,439]:**

	<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>	<u>Not a factor</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
<b>2018 Election (Trump)</b>				
Sep 18-24, 2018	23	37	37	2
Jun 5-12, 2018	26	34	39	2
Jan 10-15, 2018	21	33	42	3
<b>2014 Election (Obama)</b>				
Oct 15-20, 2014	20	32	45	3
Jul 8-14, 2014	19	29	49	3
Apr 23-27, 2014 (U)	16	26	54	4
<b>2010 Election (Obama)</b>				
Oct 27-30, 2010	26	28	42	4
Oct 13-18, 2010	27	30	39	4
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	25	30	42	3
Jun 16-20, 2010	23	28	47	2
Feb 3-9, 2010	24	20	51	5
<b>2006 Election (Bush)</b>				
November, 2006	21	35	41	3
Late October, 2006	20	37	38	5
Early October, 2006	18	39	40	3
September, 2006	20	36	40	4
August, 2006	17	35	43	5
June, 2006	15	38	44	3
April, 2006	17	34	46	3
February, 2006	18	31	47	4
<b>2002 Election (Bush)</b>				
Early November, 2002	29	16	49	6
Early October, 2002	30	20	44	6
Early September, 2002	29	15	51	5
February, 2002	34	9	50	7
<b>1998 Election (Clinton)</b>				
Late October, 1998	20	17	58	5
Early October, 1998	19	23	52	6
Early September, 1998	18	16	63	3
Late August, 1998	20	17	61	2
Early August, 1998	21	18	57	4
June, 1998	20	18	57	5
March, 1998	21	15	59	5
<b>1996 Election (Clinton)</b>				
Early September, 1996	24	18	51	7
<b>1994 Election (Clinton)</b>				
November, 1994	17	21	55	7

**Q.13 CONTINUED...**

	<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>	<u>Not a factor</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
Late October, 1994	17	21	57	5
Early October, 1994	17	23	54	6
<b>1990 Election (GHW Bush)</b>				
<i>CBS/NYT</i> : October 28-31, 1990	19	15	61	6
<b>1986 Election (Reagan)</b>				
<i>CBS/NYT</i> : October 24-28, 1986	26	12	55	7
<i>CBS/NYT</i> : Sep 28-Oct 1, 1986	26	16	51	7
<b>1982 Election (Reagan)</b>				
<i>CBS/NYT</i> : October 23-28, 1982	23	21	51	5

**NO QUESTIONS 14-27****ASK ALL:**

Q.28 As you think about the elections for Congress this November, how important are each of the following issues to you. Is the issue of **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]** very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important? How about **[SECOND ITEM]**? As you think about the elections for Congress this November, is the issue of **[SECOND ITEM]** very, somewhat, not too, or not at all important to you? And, how about **[NEXT ITEM]**? **[IF NECESSARY: As you think about the elections for Congress this November, is the issue of [ITEM] very, somewhat, not too, or not at all important to you?]** **[INTERVIEWER: PLEASE RE-READ RESPONSE OPTIONS AS NECESSARY TO REMIND RESPONDENTS OF OPTIONS. IF RESPONDENT VOICES THEIR SUPPORT OR OPPOSITION TO AN ISSUE, CLARIFY: "this question is not about your position on each issue, just how important each issue will be to your vote."]**

**BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1,439]:**

	<u>Very important</u>	<u>Somewhat important</u>	<u>Not too important</u>	<u>Not at all important</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
a. The economy					
Sep 18-24, 2018	74	23	2	1	*
Jun 15-26, 2016 <sup>4</sup>	84	13	1	1	*
Sep 22-27, 2015	83	15	1	1	*
Sep 2-9, 2014	83	15	1	1	*
Sep 12-16, 2012 <sup>5</sup>	87	11	1	1	*
Apr 4-15, 2012	86	11	1	1	1
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	90	9	1	*	*
Mid-October, 2008	91	7	2	*	*
August, 2008	87	12	1	*	*
Late May, 2008	88	9	1	1	1
October, 2007	79	18	1	1	1
June, 2007	74	22	2	1	1
Mid-October, 2004	78	18	3	1	*
August, 2004	76	22	1	1	*
b. Health care					
Sep 18-24, 2018	75	19	3	2	*
Jun 15-26, 2016	74	20	4	2	*
Sep 22-27, 2015	73	22	3	1	*
Sep 2-9, 2014	77	18	3	2	1
Sep 12-16, 2012	74	20	3	2	1
Apr 4-15, 2012	74	19	5	2	*

4 In 2016 and 2015, the question read "In making your decision about who to vote for in the 2016 presidential election, will the issue of **[INSERT ITEM]** be very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important? How about **[NEXT ITEM]**? **[IF NECESSARY: How important will the issue of [ITEM] be to you in making your decision about who to vote for in the 2016 presidential election?]**"

5 In all 2012 and 2008 trends, the question read "In making your decision about who to vote for this fall, will the issue of **[INSERT ITEM]** be very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important? How about **[NEXT ITEM]**? **[IF NECESSARY: How important will the issue of [ITEM] be to you in making your decision about who to vote for this fall?]**"



**Q.28 CONTINUED...**

	<u>Very important</u>	<u>Somewhat important</u>	<u>Not too important</u>	<u>Not at all important</u>	<b>(VOL.) DK/Ref</b>
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	78	17	3	1	*
Mid-October, 2008	77	19	2	1	1
August, 2008	73	21	5	1	*
Late May, 2008	78	17	3	2	*
October, 2007	76	18	4	1	1
June, 2007	71	23	4	2	*
Mid-October, 2004	73	22	4	1	*
August, 2004	72	21	5	2	*
<b>c. Immigration</b>					
Sep 18-24, 2018	65	25	6	3	1
Jun 15-26, 2016	70	21	6	2	1
Sep 22-27, 2015	59	31	6	3	*
Sep 2-9, 2014	62	28	5	5	1
Sep 12-16, 2012	41	37	13	6	2
Apr 4-15, 2012	42	35	15	6	1
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	58	29	8	4	1
Mid-October, 2008	49	32	13	5	1
August, 2008	52	33	10	4	1
Late May, 2008	54	32	9	3	2
October, 2007	56	31	7	4	2
June, 2007	54	34	7	3	2

**BASED ON FORM 1 REGISTERED VOTERS [N=697]:**

<b>d.F1 Abortion</b>					
Sep 18-24, 2018	53	23	11	11	2
Jun 15-26, 2016	45	26	17	9	3
Sep 22-27, 2015	41	31	13	12	2
Sep 2-9, 2014	46	24	11	16	3
Sep 12-16, 2012	46	24	13	14	3
Apr 4-15, 2012	39	25	14	18	4
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	43	24	13	17	3
Mid-October, 2008	41	29	16	12	2
August, 2008	39	26	17	15	3
Late May, 2008	40	27	15	15	3
October, 2007	39	26	17	13	5
June, 2007	40	30	13	14	3
Mid-October, 2004	47	27	12	11	3
August, 2004	45	25	13	14	3
<b>e.F1 Terrorism</b>					
Sep 18-24, 2018	62	24	9	4	1
Jun 15-26, 2016	80	14	3	3	1
Sep 22-27, 2015	71	20	6	2	1
Sep 2-9, 2014	75	17	4	3	1
Sep 12-16, 2012	60	27	7	4	2
Apr 4-15, 2012	59	25	9	5	1
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	71	18	6	3	1
Mid-October, 2008	69	20	7	3	1
August, 2008	72	20	5	2	1
Late May, 2008	68	23	6	2	1
October, 2007	69	22	5	3	1
June, 2007	69	24	4	2	1
Mid-October, 2004	77	17	3	2	1
August, 2004	75	19	3	2	1

**Q.28 CONTINUED...**

		Very important	Somewhat important	Not too important	Not at all important	(VOL.) DK/Ref
f.F1	The federal budget deficit					
	Sep 18-24, 2018	60	26	8	5	2
	Sep 22-27, 2015	68	23	5	3	1
	Sep 2-9, 2014	65	25	5	3	2
	Sep 12-16, 2012	68	23	6	2	1
	Apr 4-15, 2012	74	19	4	2	1
	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	69	22	5	2	2
	Late May, 2008	69	21	4	3	3
	October, 2007	61	28	8	1	2
	Mid-October, 2004	57	32	7	3	1
	August, 2004	55	35	7	3	*
g.F1	Medicare					
	Sep 18-24, 2018	67	24	6	4	*
	Sep 12-16, 2012	65	26	6	2	*
	Apr 4-15, 2012	66	24	7	2	*
h.F1	How gay, lesbian and transgender people are treated					
	Sep 18-24, 2018	47	26	11	14	2
	Jun 15-26, 2016	40	30	15	13	2
i.F1.	The environment					
	Sep 18-24, 2018	63	25	8	4	*
	Jun 15-26, 2016	52	30	11	7	*
	Sep 22-27, 2015	55	31	10	4	1
	Sep 2-9, 2014	54	32	9	5	1
	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	57	33	7	3	1
	Mid-October, 2008	57	31	8	3	1
	August, 2008	59	31	6	3	1
	Late May, 2008	62	27	8	3	*
	October, 2007	58	31	8	2	1
	June, 2007	55	36	6	3	*
	Mid-October, 2004	53	37	7	2	1
	August, 2004	55	35	7	3	*
<b>BASED ON FORM 2 REGISTERED VOTERS [N=742]:</b>						
j.F2	Taxes					
	Sep 18-24, 2018	66	27	5	1	1
	Sep 12-16, 2012	66	26	5	2	1
	Apr 4-15, 2012	61	28	8	2	1
	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	68	24	6	2	1
	Mid-October, 2008	71	24	3	1	1
	Late May, 2008	68	24	5	2	1
	October, 2007	63	28	6	1	2
	June, 2007	62	29	7	2	*
	Mid-October, 2004	59	31	7	2	1
k.F2	Supreme Court Appointments					
	Sep 18-24, 2018	76	17	4	3	1
	Jun 15-26, 2016	65	22	8	3	2
l.F2	How racial and ethnic minorities are treated					
	Sep 18-24, 2018	65	22	4	7	2
	Jun 15-26, 2016	63	22	6	7	2

**Q.28 CONTINUED...**

		<u>Very important</u>	<u>Somewhat important</u>	<u>Not too important</u>	<u>Not at all important</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
m.F2.	Gun policy					
	Sep 18-24, 2018	68	20	7	4	1
	Jun 15-26, 2016	72	18	5	4	1
	<b>TREND FOR COMPARISON:</b>					
	<i>Gun control</i>					
	Apr 4-15, 2012	47	23	15	13	1
	Mid-October, 2004	45	31	14	8	2
n.F1.	Social Security					
	Sep 18-24, 2018	66	26	5	2	*
	Jun 15-26, 2016	67	21	10	2	*
	Late May, 2008	75	19	4	1	1
	October, 2007	68	25	5	2	*
	Mid-October, 2004	65	27	6	2	*
o.F2.	Trade policy					
	Sep 18-24, 2018	55	36	5	2	1
	Jun 15-26, 2016	57	31	7	3	2
	August, 2008	49	38	8	2	3
	Late May, 2008	51	38	6	1	4
p.F2	Drug addiction					
	Sep 18-24, 2018	53	27	12	8	*

**NO QUESTIONS 29-32, 34-43, 47-49****QUESTIONS 33, 44-46 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE****ASK ALL:**

Thinking about the political parties ...

Q.50 Please tell me if you think each phrase I read better describes the REPUBLICAN Party and its leaders or the DEMOCRATIC Party and its leaders. (First,) which party do you think is better described by the phrase... **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE; OBSERVE FORM SPLITS]** Which party **[NEXT ITEM]**?

		<u>Republican Party</u>	<u>Democratic Party</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>Both equally</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>Neither</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
<b>ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=867]:</b>						
a.F1	Is more extreme in its positions					
	Sep 18-24, 2018	48	39	5	1	7
	Jan 4-9, 2017	58	33	4	1	4
	Jul 14-20, 2015	52	35	5	2	5
	Oct 15-20, 2014	51	35	5	2	7
	Jan 15-19, 2014	54	35	5	2	5
	Oct 9-13, 2013	55	34	5	1	5
	Dec 5-9, 2012	53	33	4	1	9
	Mar 7-11, 2012	50	35	5	1	9
	Dec 7-11, 2011	53	33	4	1	9
	Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	50	38	3	1	7
	Jul 20-24, 2011	50	35	4	2	9
b.F1	Is more concerned with the needs of people like me					
	Sep 18-24, 2018	31	56	2	5	7
	Jan 4-9, 2017	44	45	1	7	3
	Jul 14-20, 2015	31	53	2	10	4
	Oct 15-20, 2014	31	53	2	9	5
	Jan 15-19, 2014	32	52	3	9	5

**Q.50 CONTINUED...**

	Republican Party	Democratic Party	(VOL.) Both equally	(VOL.) Neither	(VOL.) DK/Ref
Oct 9-13, 2013	34	54	1	7	4
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	35	51	1	6	7
Jul 20-24, 2011	30	51	2	11	6
Mar 30-Apr 3, 2011	32	54	2	5	8
Oct 13-18, 2010	36	46	2	8	9
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	33	53	2	7	5
Jun 16-20, 2010	34	50	2	9	5
Feb 3-9, 2010	31	51	3	8	7
Aug 27-30, 2009	27	51	4	10	7
October, 2007	25	54	4	8	9
March, 2007	26	55	2	7	10
Early October, 2006	27	55	3	8	7
April, 2006 <sup>6</sup>	28	52	3	10	7
Early October, 2005	30	52	5	7	6
July, 2004	30	50	5	8	7
Early September, 1998	31	46	5	9	9
March, 1998	30	51	4	8	7
August, 1997	31	49	3	10	7
July, 1996	35	50	2	7	6
April, 1995	39	49	2	7	3
July, 1994	35	49	4	8	4
May, 1990	21	42	12	18	7
May, 1988	23	51	8	11	7
January, 1988	22	47	11	13	7
<b>c.F1 Governs in a more honest and ethical way</b>					
Sep 18-24, 2018	32	46	3	12	6
Jan 4-9, 2017	37	41	2	17	3
Jul 14-20, 2015	29	45	3	19	5
Oct 15-20, 2014	31	42	3	16	8
Jan 15-19, 2014	31	41	3	19	7
Dec 7-11, 2011	28	45	2	16	9
Jul 20-24, 2011	30	42	2	20	7
Mar 30-Apr 3, 2011	33	42	3	14	8
Oct 13-18, 2010	35	35	4	16	9
Jun 16-20, 2010	31	41	4	18	6
August 27-30, 2009	26	42	4	20	9
October, 2007	26	40	6	19	9
March, 2007	25	43	4	18	10
Early October, 2006	27	41	4	18	10
April, 2006 <sup>7</sup>	28	36	4	23	9
January, 2006	30	37	4	19	10
Early October, 2005	30	40	6	18	6
July, 2004	34	37	5	15	9
Early September, 1998	31	28	6	23	12
March, 1998	28	32	7	24	9
August, 1997	28	33	5	26	8
July, 1996	38	37	2	18	5
April, 1995	35	36	4	19	6
July, 1994	32	35	6	21	6

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=887]:**

<b>d.F2 Is more willing to work with political leaders from the other party</b>					
Sep 18-24, 2018	33	45	1	14	8
Oct 15-20, 2014	28	51	2	13	7

<sup>6</sup> In April 2006 and earlier, the item was worded: "Is concerned with the needs of people like me."<sup>7</sup> In April 2006 and earlier, the item was worded: "Governs in an honest and ethical way."

**Q.50 CONTINUED...**

	Republican Party	Democratic Party	(VOL.) Both equally	(VOL.) Neither	(VOL.) DK/Ref
Jan 15-19, 2014	27	52	1	13	7
Jan 15-19, 2014	27	52	1	13	7
Oct 9-13, 2013	32	50	2	11	6
Dec 5-9, 2012	27	53	2	10	8
Dec 7-11, 2011	25	51	3	12	10
Jul 20-24, 2011	26	51	1	12	9
Mar 30-Apr 3, 2011	32	49	2	10	6
e.F2 Can better manage the federal government					
Sep 18-24, 2018	40	43	2	8	7
Jan 4-9, 2017	43	43	3	7	5
Jul 14-20, 2015	40	41	3	12	5
Oct 15-20, 2014	38	40	2	12	8
Jan 15-19, 2014	40	41	2	11	6
Oct 9-13, 2013	42	39	3	10	6
Dec 5-9, 2012	36	45	2	10	7
Mar 7-11, 2012	39	42	1	9	9
Dec 7-11, 2011	35	41	3	13	9
Jul 20-24, 2011	40	38	2	14	7
Mar 30-Apr 3, 2011	41	39	2	8	9
Oct 13-18, 2010	43	36	2	11	8
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	41	41	3	8	7
Jun 16-20, 2010	41	37	3	12	7
Feb 3-9, 2010	40	40	4	9	8
Aug 27-30, 2009	34	38	4	14	10
October, 2007	32	44	5	9	10
March, 2007	31	47	3	8	11
Early October, 2006	34	44	3	9	10
April, 2006 <sup>8</sup>	35	39	3	15	8
January, 2006	34	40	4	12	10
Early October, 2005	35	41	3	13	8
Early September, 1998	37	32	8	12	11
August, 1997	39	33	4	16	8
July, 1996	45	32	4	12	7
April, 1995	49	30	3	13	5
July, 1994	43	31	4	17	5
May, 1993	36	32	2	17	13
July, 1992	30	36	1	23	10
May, 1990	28	20	12	31	9
May, 1988	33	30	10	17	10
January, 1988	30	28	12	20	10
May, 1987	24	25	13	28	10

**ASK ALL:**

Q.51 Which party could do a better job of **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]**? How about **[NEXT ITEM]**? **[IF NECESSARY: Which party could do a better job of ITEM?]****[IF NECESSARY READ CATEGORIES: The Republican Party or the Democratic Party]**

	Republican Party	Democratic Party	(VOL.) Both equally	(VOL.) Neither	(VOL.) DK/Ref
<b>ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=867]:</b>					
a.F1 Dealing with the economy					
Sep 18-24, 2018	40	41	6	5	7
Jun 5-12, 2018	45	36	8	6	5
Oct 25-30, 2017	38	41	11	7	3

<sup>8</sup> In April 2006 and earlier, the item was worded: "Able to manage the federal government well."

**Q.51 CONTINUED...**

	Republican Party	Democratic Party	(VOL.) Both equally	(VOL.) Neither	(VOL.) DK/Ref
Apr 5-11, 2017	46	43	5	5	2
Apr 12-19, 2016	45	41	4	6	4
Dec 8-13, 2015	42	37	4	9	7
Jul 14-20, 2015	41	44	4	8	4
Feb 18-22, 2015	44	41	7	6	3
Oct 15-20, 2014	41	39	6	8	6
Jul 8-14, 2014	47	39	4	6	4
Jan 15-19, 2014	42	38	10	7	3
Oct 9-13, 2013	44	37	5	9	5
May 1-5, 2013	42	38	6	8	6
May 25-30, 2011	38	40	5	8	8
Sep 16-19, 2010	38	37	8	10	8
May 20-23, 2010	33	34	9	14	10
Feb 3-9, 2010	38	41	7	6	7
Aug 27-30, 2009	32	42	6	12	9
February, 2008	34	53	2	5	6
October, 2006	32	45	4	5	14
September, 2006	32	46	5	5	12
February, 2006	36	46	5	5	8
Mid-September, 2005	38	44	5	7	6
July, 2004	34	46	5	5	10
Late October, 2002 (RVs)	37	40	5	6	12
Early October, 2002 (RVs)	37	41	4	5	13
Early September, 2002	36	36	9	6	13
January, 2002	43	34	--	5	18
May, 2001 <sup>9</sup>	33	44	8	5	10
June, 1999	37	43	8	3	9
March, 1999	39	44	5	3	9
Early September, 1998	40	38	8	4	10
March, 1998	40	40	12	3	5
October, 1994	45	33	5	7	10
Gallup: October, 1992 (RVs)	36	45	10	--	9
Gallup: October, 1990	37	35	--	--	28
<b>b.F1 Making wise decisions about foreign policy</b>					
Sep 18-24, 2018	37	45	6	5	7
Jun 5-12, 2018	36	44	8	6	7
Oct 25-30, 2017	34	44	7	9	6
Apr 5-11, 2017	36	49	5	6	4
Apr 12-19, 2016	46	38	4	8	5
Jul 14-20, 2015	38	41	5	8	8
Feb 18-22, 2015	48	35	6	6	5
Oct 15-20, 2014	40	39	6	9	7
Jul 8-14, 2014	43	39	5	7	6
Mar 30-Apr 3, 2011	40	38	10	4	7
Apr 21-26, 2010	39	34	8	8	11
August 27-30, 2009	31	44	7	8	9
February, 2008	40	45	4	4	7
July, 2004	38	40	4	4	14
Early September, 2002	40	30	10	6	14
May, 2001	39	34	11	3	13
June, 1999	37	36	7	6	14
March, 1999	42	37	6	4	11
Early September, 1998	40	31	11	5	13
March, 1998	41	33	12	4	10
October, 1994	47	30	7	5	11

<sup>9</sup> In May 2001 and earlier, the item was worded: "... keeping the country prosperous."

**Q.51 CONTINUED...**

	Republican Party	Democratic Party	(VOL.) Both equally	(VOL.) Neither	(VOL.) DK/Ref
July, 1994 <sup>10</sup>	51	31	4	6	8
December, 1993	49	23	--	10	18
May, 1990	39	28	--	17	16

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=887]:**

c.F2	Dealing with immigration					
	Sep 18-24, 2018	39	46	4	5	6
	Jun 5-12, 2018	34	48	6	6	6
	Oct 25-30, 2017	38	44	6	7	5
	Apr 5-11, 2017	39	50	2	6	3
	Apr 12-19, 2016	42	44	3	7	4
	Dec 8-13, 2015	42	40	3	9	7
	Jul 14-20, 2015	40	42	4	9	6
	Feb 18-22, 2015	43	45	4	4	3
	Oct 15-20, 2014	41	40	5	7	7
	Jul 8-14, 2014	42	40	4	7	6
	Jan 15-19, 2014	38	39	8	8	7
	Oct 9-13, 2013	40	39	4	8	9
	May 1-5, 2013	38	38	7	8	9
	Dec 5-9, 2012	35	44	5	6	10
	Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	45	37	3	6	9
	May 25-30, 2011	39	37	4	9	11
	Oct 13-18, 2010	35	28	9	12	16
	May 20-23, 2010	35	27	10	14	14
	Apr 21-26, 2010	36	35	7	11	12
	Aug 27-30, 2009	31	36	6	13	13
	February, 2008	38	43	4	6	9
	October, 2006	35	33	6	8	18
	September, 2006	32	37	5	10	16
	April, 2006	27	43	6	11	13
	February, 2006	34	38	8	9	11
d.F2	Dealing with health care					
	Sep 18-24, 2018	35	51	3	5	6
	Jun 5-12, 2018	32	48	8	7	5
	Oct 25-30, 2017	32	50	6	9	3
	Apr 5-11, 2017	35	54	2	6	3
	Jul 14-20, 2015	36	46	4	9	5
	Feb 18-22, 2015	40	47	4	7	2
	Oct 15-20, 2014	38	46	3	7	6
	Jul 8-14, 2014	40	45	4	6	5
	Jan 15-19, 2014	37	45	3	6	8
	Sep 4-8, 2013 (U)	40	39	6	9	5
	Dec 5-9, 2012	38	48	4	4	6
	Mar 7-11, 2012	35	49	1	7	8
	Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	38	49	3	4	6
	Mar 30-Apr 3, 2011	40	42	6	5	7
	Oct 13-18, 2010	32	39	5	11	13
	Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	36	46	5	7	6
	<b>TRENDS FOR COMPARISON:</b>					
	<i>Reforming the U.S. health care system</i>					
	Feb 3-9, 2010	32	45	6	10	7
	Aug 27-30, 2009	27	46	4	14	9
	February, 2008	26	56	3	8	7
	October, 2006	25	46	4	8	17
	September, 2006	24	48	5	10	13

<sup>10</sup>

In July 1994 and May 1990, the item was worded "Making wise decisions about the country's defense policies."

## TRENDS FOR COMPARISON CONTINUED...

	(VOL.) Republican <u>Party</u>	Democratic <u>Party</u>	Both <u>equally</u>	(VOL.) <u>Neither</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
February, 2006	27	49	6	9	9
Mid-September, 2005	28	51	4	10	7
July, 2004	23	50	4	10	13
Early July, 2003	31	38	6	10	15
<i>Regulating health maintenance organizations (HMOs) and managed health care plans</i>					
January, 2001	30	47	--	7	16
January, 1999	25	46	--	7	22
<i>Reforming the U.S. health care system</i>					
Early September, 1998	31	43	7	7	12
March, 1998	25	53	6	8	8
October, 1994	34	41	5	10	10
July, 1994	34	48	2	8	8
<i>Reforming health care</i>					
December, 1993	25	47	--	10	18
<i>Improving health care in the U.S.</i>					
January, 1992	21	56	--	8	15
May, 1990	20	50	--	16	14

## NO QUESTIONS 52-57

Now, thinking about the outcome of the Congressional elections...

Q.58F1 If Republicans keep control of Congress this fall, how concerned are you, if at all, that they will not focus enough on oversight of the Trump administration? **[READ]**

## BASED ON FORM 1 REGISTERED VOTERS [N=697]:

Sep 18-24 <u>2018</u>		Jun 5-12 <u>2018</u> <sup>11</sup>
46	Very concerned	39
19	Somewhat concerned	20
14	Not too concerned [OR]	19
20	Not at all concerned	22
2	Don't know/Refused <b>[VOL.]</b>	1

Q.59F2 If Democrats take control of Congress this fall, how concerned are you, if at all, that they will focus too much on investigating the Trump administration? **[READ]**

## BASED ON FORM 2 REGISTERED VOTERS [N=742]:

Sep 18-24 <u>2018</u>		Jun 5-12 <u>2018</u> <sup>12</sup>
31	Very concerned	34
24	Somewhat concerned	25
18	Not too concerned [OR]	19
26	Not at all concerned	22
1	Don't know/Refused <b>[VOL.]</b>	1

<sup>11</sup> In June 2018, the order of Q.58 and Q.59 were randomized by form. Results shown are for only those who got Q.58 first.

<sup>12</sup> In June 2018, the order of Q.58 and Q.59 were randomized by form. Results shown are for only those who got Q.59 first.



**Q.59F2 CONTINUED...****TRENDS FOR COMPARISON:**

*How concerned are you, if at all, that Republicans controlling Congress will lead to them spending too much time investigating the Obama administration and the Democrats in Congress? [READ]*

Nov 6-9

2014

27	Very concerned
30	Fairly concerned
26	Not too concerned
15	Not at all concerned
2	Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>

*How concerned are you, if at all, that if the Democrats take control of the Congress this fall they will spend too much time investigating the Bush administration and the Republicans in Congress?*

October

2006

26	Very concerned
26	Fairly concerned
26	Not too concerned
18	Not at all concerned
4	Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>

**NO QUESTIONS 60-63, 67-72, 80-82****QUESTIONS 64-66, 73-79 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE****ASK ALL:**

Q.83 Next, would you say your overall opinion of **[INSERT ITEMS; RANDOMIZE]** is very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable? How about **[NEXT ITEM]? [IF NECESSARY: Just in general, is your overall opinion of [ITEM] very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable?]** **[INTERVIEWERS: PROBE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN "NEVER HEARD OF" AND "CAN'T RATE."]**

	----- Favorable -----			---- Unfavorable ----			(VOL.)	(VOL.)
	Total	Very	Mostly	Total	Very	Mostly	Never heard of	Can't rate/Ref
a. The Republican Party								
Sep 18-24, 2018	43	10	33	52	26	27	*	4
Mar 7-14, 2018	41	10	31	55	25	30	*	4
Jun 8-18, 2017	40	10	31	54	27	26	*	5
Apr 5-11, 2017	40	10	30	57	27	30	0	3
Jan 4-9, 2017	47	12	35	49	20	29	*	5
Oct 20-25, 2016	40	10	31	55	23	33	*	5
Aug 9-16, 2016	38	9	29	56	26	31	0	6
Jun 15-26, 2016	35	9	26	60	30	29	*	5
Apr 12-19, 2016	33	9	24	62	32	30	*	5
Aug 27-Oct 4, 2015	37	6	31	58	26	32	*	5
Jul 14-20, 2015	32	7	26	60	28	32	*	7
Jan 7-11, 2015	41	9	32	53	24	29	*	6
Dec 3-7, 2014 (U)	37	9	28	57	26	32	*	6
Oct 14-20, 2014	38	7	31	54	25	29	*	8
Jan 23-Mar 16, 2014	37	7	30	55	24	31	*	7
Dec 3-8, 2013 (U)	35	8	27	59	28	31	0	6
Oct 9-13, 2013	38	5	32	58	26	32	*	4
Jul 17-21, 2013	33	7	25	58	25	34	*	9
Jun 12-16, 2013	40	8	32	55	23	33	*	5
Jan 9-13, 2013	33	6	28	58	27	31	1	8

## Q.83 CONTINUED...

	----- Favorable -----			----- Unfavorable -----			(VOL.)	(VOL.)
	Total	Very	Mostly	Total	Very	Mostly	Never heard of	Can't rate/Ref
Dec 5-9, 2012	36	7	28	59	23	36	*	5
Sep 12-16, 2012	42	12	30	50	25	26	*	8
Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	36	9	27	56	28	28	*	8
Mar 7-11, 2012	36	7	30	56	27	29	*	8
Jan 11-16, 2012	35	7	27	58	28	30	*	7
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	36	7	29	55	27	28	*	9
Aug 17-21, 2011	34	5	29	59	27	32	*	7
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	42	9	32	51	22	28	1	7
Feb 2-7, 2011	43	8	35	48	19	29	*	9
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	43	8	35	49	21	28	*	8
July 1-5, 2010	39	10	29	49	24	25	*	12
April 1-5, 2010	37	8	29	53	26	27	*	9
Mar 18-21, 2010	37	5	32	51	20	31	*	12
Feb 3-9, 2010	46	5	41	46	14	32	0	8
Aug 20-27, 2009	40	6	34	50	19	31	*	10
Aug 11-17, 2009	40	7	33	50	18	32	*	10
Mar 31-Apr 6, 2009	40	7	33	51	17	34	0	9
Jan 7-11, 2009	40	5	35	55	21	34	*	5
Late October, 2008	40	10	30	50	23	27	*	10
Mid-September, 2008	47	11	36	46	22	24	*	7
August, 2008	43	9	34	49	18	31	1	7
Late May, 2008	39	7	32	53	20	33	*	8
July, 2007	39	7	32	53	22	31	0	8
Early January, 2007	41	9	32	48	21	27	1	10
Late October, 2006	41	9	32	50	20	30	*	9
July, 2006	40	10	30	52	23	29	1	7
April, 2006	40	10	30	50	21	29	*	10
February, 2006	44	11	33	50	24	26	*	6
Late October, 2005	42	12	30	49	24	25	*	9
July, 2005	48	13	35	43	18	25	*	9
June, 2005	48	11	37	44	20	24	0	8
December, 2004	52	15	37	42	17	25	0	6
June, 2004	51	12	39	40	14	26	0	9
Early February, 2004	52	14	38	42	16	26	*	6
June, 2003	58	14	44	33	10	23	0	9
April, 2003	63	14	49	31	10	21	*	6
December, 2002	59	18	41	33	11	22	*	8
July, 2001	48	11	37	42	15	27	*	10
January, 2001	56	13	43	35	13	22	*	9
September, 2000 (RVs)	53	11	42	40	12	28	0	7
August, 1999	53	8	45	43	12	31	*	4
February, 1999	44	7	37	51	15	36	0	5
January, 1999	44	10	34	50	23	27	0	6
Early December, 1998	46	11	35	47	20	27	*	7
Early October, 1998 (RVs)	52	9	43	42	14	28	0	6
Early September, 1998	56	9	47	37	11	26	*	7
March, 1998	50	10	40	43	12	31	*	7
August, 1997	47	9	38	47	11	36	*	6
June, 1997	51	8	43	42	11	31	1	6
January, 1997	52	8	44	43	10	33	*	5
October, 1995	52	10	42	44	16	28	*	4
December, 1994	67	21	46	27	8	19	*	6
July, 1994	63	12	51	33	8	25	*	4
May, 1993	54	12	42	35	10	25	0	11
July, 1992	46	9	37	48	17	31	*	6

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	----- Favorable -----			----- Unfavorable -----			(VOL.)	(VOL.)
	Total	Very	Mostly	Total	Very	Mostly	Never heard of	Can't rate/Ref
b. The Democratic Party								
Sep 18-24, 2018	53	13	40	42	20	22	*	4
Mar 7-14, 2018	42	8	35	54	24	30	*	4
Jun 8-18, 2017	44	12	32	50	24	26	*	5
Apr 5-11, 2017	45	11	34	51	26	25	*	4
Jan 4-9, 2017	51	13	38	45	18	26	*	4
Oct 20-25, 2016	52	15	37	45	22	22	*	4
Aug 9-16, 2016	49	15	35	46	22	24	*	5
Jun 15-26, 2016	49	17	33	46	23	23	*	5
Apr 12-19, 2016	45	14	31	50	27	23	*	4
Aug 27-Oct 4, 2015	45	10	35	50	24	26	*	5
Jul 14-20, 2015	48	12	36	47	22	25	0	5
Jan 7-11, 2015	46	12	34	48	21	28	*	6
Dec 3-7, 2014 (U)	41	11	30	54	26	28	*	5
Oct 15-20, 2014	47	11	35	46	21	25	*	7
Jan 23-Mar 16, 2014	46	12	34	47	23	24	*	7
Dec 3-8, 2013 (U)	47	15	32	48	24	24	*	5
Oct 9-13, 2013	47	9	39	48	22	27	0	4
Jul 17-21, 2013	41	10	31	50	23	28	*	9
Jun 12-16, 2013	51	14	37	45	19	26	0	5
Jan 9-13, 2013	47	13	34	46	18	28	*	7
Dec 5-9, 2012	48	11	37	47	23	25	1	4
Sep 12-16, 2012	53	21	32	40	18	22	*	7
Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	47	14	33	45	21	24	*	8
Mar 7-11, 2012	49	14	36	43	18	25	*	7
Jan 11-16, 2012	43	13	29	51	23	28	*	7
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	46	13	32	45	19	26	*	9
Aug 17-21, 2011	43	9	34	50	21	29	*	7
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	48	14	34	45	18	27	*	6
Feb 2-7, 2011	47	13	35	46	17	29	*	6
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	50	13	36	44	20	24	*	7
July 1-5, 2010	44	12	31	45	22	23	*	11
April 1-5, 2010	38	9	29	52	27	25	*	9
Mar 18-21, 2010	40	8	32	49	25	24	*	11
Feb 3-9, 2010	48	9	39	44	17	27	*	8
Aug 20-27, 2009	48	11	37	43	19	24	*	10
Aug 11-17, 2009	49	12	37	40	16	25	*	10
Mar 31-Apr 6, 2009	59	15	44	34	13	21	*	7
Jan 7-11, 2009	62	19	43	32	12	20	*	6
Late October, 2008	57	19	38	33	15	18	*	10
Mid-September, 2008	55	18	37	39	14	25	*	6
August, 2008	57	16	41	37	13	24	*	6
Late May, 2008	57	14	43	37	14	23	*	6
July, 2007	51	13	38	41	14	27	0	8
Early January, 2007	54	15	39	35	12	23	*	11
Late October, 2006	53	13	40	36	11	25	*	11
July, 2006	47	13	34	44	13	31	2	7
April, 2006	47	12	35	42	14	28	*	11
February, 2006	48	14	34	44	17	27	0	8
Late October, 2005	49	14	35	41	15	26	*	10
July, 2005	50	15	35	41	14	27	*	9
June, 2005	52	12	40	39	13	26	*	9
December, 2004	53	13	40	41	14	27	*	6
June, 2004	54	12	42	36	11	25	0	10
Early February, 2004	58	14	44	37	9	28	*	5
June, 2003	54	11	43	38	10	28	0	8
April, 2003	57	13	44	36	11	25	*	7

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	----- Favorable -----			---- Unfavorable ----			(VOL.) Never heard of	(VOL.) Can't rate/ Ref
	Total	Very	Mostly	Total	Very	Mostly		
December, 2002	54	15	39	37	10	27	*	9
July, 2001	58	18	40	34	10	24	*	8
January, 2001	60	18	42	30	9	21	1	9
September, 2000 (RVs)	60	16	44	35	12	23	*	5
August, 1999	59	14	45	37	9	28	*	4
February, 1999	58	11	47	37	11	26	0	5
January, 1999	55	14	41	38	12	26	0	7
Early December, 1998	59	18	41	34	10	24	0	7
Early October, 1998 (RVs)	56	11	45	38	9	29	*	6
Early September, 1998	60	13	47	33	8	25	*	7
March, 1998	58	15	43	36	10	26	*	6
August, 1997	52	11	41	42	10	32	0	6
June, 1997	61	10	51	33	8	25	*	6
January, 1997	60	13	47	35	7	28	*	5
October, 1995	49	9	40	48	11	37	0	3
December, 1994	50	13	37	44	13	31	*	6
July, 1994	62	13	49	34	7	27	*	4
May, 1993	57	14	43	34	9	25	0	9
July, 1992	61	17	44	33	9	24	*	6

**QUESTIONS 84, 98-100 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**

**NO QUESTIONS 85-92, 94-95**

**QUESTIONS 93, 96-97 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED**

**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?

	Republican	Democrat	Independent	(VOL.)	(VOL.)	(VOL.)	Lean Rep	Lean Dem
				No preference	Other party	DK/Ref		
Sep 18-24, 2018	25	32	37	3	1	2	15	18
Jun 5-12, 2018	25	31	38	3	1	2	15	18
Apr 25-May 1, 2018	27	28	38	4	1	2	14	19
Mar 7-14, 2018	26	28	41	3	*	1	17	18
Jan 10-15, 2018	26	33	34	3	1	3	12	18
Nov 29-Dec 4, 2017	20	32	40	4	1	3	13	19
Oct 25-30, 2017	22	32	41	3	1	2	17	19
Jun 8-Jul 9, 2017	25	31	39	3	1	2	16	18
<b>Yearly Totals</b>								
2017	23.6	31.4	39.4	3.3	.6	1.7	15.8	18.7
2016	25.4	32.0	36.5	3.4	.5	2.2	14.6	17.0
2015	23.7	30.4	40.1	3.6	.4	1.8	16.4	17.3
2014	23.2	31.5	39.5	3.1	.7	2.0	16.2	16.5
2013	23.9	32.1	38.3	2.9	.5	2.2	16.0	16.0
2012	24.7	32.6	36.4	3.1	.5	2.7	14.4	16.1
2011	24.3	32.3	37.4	3.1	.4	2.5	15.7	15.6
2010	25.2	32.7	35.2	3.6	.4	2.8	14.5	14.1
2009	23.9	34.4	35.1	3.4	.4	2.8	13.1	15.7
2008	25.7	36.0	31.5	3.6	.3	3.0	10.6	15.2
2007	25.3	32.9	34.1	4.3	.4	2.9	10.9	17.0
2006	27.8	33.1	30.9	4.4	.3	3.4	10.5	15.1
2005	29.3	32.8	30.2	4.5	.3	2.8	10.3	14.9
2004	30.0	33.5	29.5	3.8	.4	3.0	11.7	13.4

**PARTY/PARTYLN CONTINUED...**

				(VOL.)	(VOL.)	(VOL.)	Lean	Lean
	Republican	Democrat	Independent	No preference	Other party	DK/Ref	Rep	Dem
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	--	--	--	--	--

**QUESTION 101 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE****Key to Pew Research trends noted in the topline:**

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