

**2019 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL  
WAVE 53 SEPTEMBER  
FINAL TOPLINE  
SEPTEMBER 3-15, 2019  
N=9,895**

**ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE****ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=2,480]:**

RDFACTS When it comes to important issues facing the country, would you say most Republican voters and Democratic voters...

Sep 3-15 <u>2019</u>		Jul 30- Aug 12 <u>2018</u>
26	Can agree on the basic facts, even if they often disagree over plans and policies	20
73	Not only disagree over plans and policies, but also cannot agree on the basic facts	78
1	No Answer	2

**ASK FORM 4 [N=2,470]:**

DIFFPARTY Thinking about the Democratic and Republican parties, would you say there is...

	A great deal of difference in what <u>they stand for</u>	A fair amount of difference in what <u>they stand for</u>	Hardly any difference at all in <u>what they stand for</u>	No <u>answer</u> *
Sep 3-15, 2019	55	37	7	*

**ASK FORM 1 AND 3 ONLY [N=4,945]:**

DIVISIONSRD Do you think divisions between Republicans and Democrats in this country today are...

Sep 3-15 <u>2019</u>	
78	Increasing
6	Decreasing
16	Staying about the same
*	No answer

**ASK FORM 1 AND 3 ONLY [N=4,945]:**

DIVISIONSCONC How concerned, if at all, are you about divisions between Republicans and Democrats?

Sep 3-15 <u>2019</u>	
46	Very concerned
36	Somewhat concerned
13	Not too concerned
5	Not at all concerned
*	No answer

**ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**

**ASK IF DEMOCRAT/LEAN DEMOCRAT(F\_PARTYSUM\_FINAL=2) [N=5,498]<sup>3</sup>:**  
 DEMDEALFGHT Which is more important to you in a Democratic presidential candidate?

Someone who, if elected president, will focus on... **[RANDOMIZE]**

Sep 3-15

2019

60	Finding common ground with Republicans on policies, even if it means giving up some things Democrats want
38	Pushing hard for policies Democrats want, even it makes it much harder to get some things done
2	No answer

**ASK IF REPUBLICAN/LEAN REPUBLICAN(F\_PARTYSUM\_FINAL=1) [N=4,093]:<sup>4</sup>**  
 REPDEALFGHT Which is more important to you for Donald Trump to focus on **[RANDOMIZE]**?

Sep 3-15

2019

51	Finding common ground with Democrats on policies, even if it means giving up some things Republicans want
47	Pushing hard for policies Republicans want, even it makes it much harder to get some things done
2	No answer

#### **ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**

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<sup>3</sup> Due to a programming error, 37 respondents were not asked DEMDEALFGHT on the first night of the survey. Results are based only on those who received the question.

<sup>4</sup> Due to a programming error, 31 respondents were not asked REPDEALFGHT on the first night of the survey. Results are based only on those who received the question.

**ASK FORMS 1 AND 4 REPUBLICANS AND REPUBLICANS LEANERS (F\_PARTYSUM\_FINAL=1)  
[N=2,064]<sup>5</sup>:**DEMVALREP Thinking for a moment about people who consider themselves Democrats, which of these comes closer to your views about them? **[RANDOMIZE]**Sep 3-15  
2019

43	They feel differently than I do about politics, but they probably SHARE many of my other values and goals
56	They feel differently than I do about politics, and they probably DON'T SHARE many of my other values and goals, either
1	No answer

**ASK FORMS 1 AND 4 DEMOCRATS AND DEMOCRATICS LEANERS (F\_PARTYSUM\_FINAL=2)  
[N=2,716]<sup>6</sup>:**REPVALDEM Thinking for a moment about people who consider themselves Republicans, which of these comes closer to your views about them? **[RANDOMIZE]**Sep 3-15  
2019

49	They feel differently than I do about politics, but they probably SHARE many of my other values and goals
50	They feel differently than I do about politics, and they probably DON'T SHARE many of my other values and goals, either
2	No answer

**ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE****ASK ALL:**

FOLGOV Would you say you follow what's going on in government and public affairs...

Sep 3-15 <u>2019</u>		Apr 29- May 13 <u>2019</u>	Jan 29- Feb 13 <u>2018</u>	Sep 27- Oct 10 <u>2016</u>	Sep 9- Oct 3 <u>2014</u>
39	Most of the time	42	48	40	34
35	Some of the time	36	33	37	39
17	Only now and then	15	13	16	17
8	Hardly at all	7	6	7	11
*	No answer	*	*	1	0

**ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**

<sup>5</sup> Due to a programming error, 14 respondents were not asked DEMVALREP on the first night of the survey. Results are based only on those who received the question.

<sup>6</sup> Due to a programming error, 18 respondents were not asked REPVALDEM on the first night of the survey. Results are based only on those who received the question.

**ASK ALL:  
THERMO**

We'd like to get your feelings toward a number of groups in the U.S. on a "feeling thermometer." A rating of zero degrees means you feel as cold and negative as possible. A rating of 100 degrees means you feel as warm and positive as possible. You would rate the group at 50 degrees if you don't feel particularly positive or negative toward the group.

How do you feel toward **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]**? *Enter the number in the box between 0 and 100 that reflects your feelings*

	Rating of <u>0 to 24</u>	Rating of <u>25 to 49</u>	Rating of <u>50</u>	Rating of <u>51 to 75</u>	Rating of <u>76 to 100</u>	No <u>answer</u>	<i>Mean rating</i>
<b>a. Republicans</b>							
Sep 3-15, 2019	32	15	19	14	19	1	44
Apr 29-May 13, 2019	25	17	24	14	19	1	47
Aug 8-21, 2017	31	16	24	14	12	2	41
Nov 29-Dec 12, 2016	23	10	28	15	21	3	50
Mar 2-28, 2016	25	15	29	13	16	2	46
<b>b. Democrats</b>							
Sep 3-15, 2019	29	14	18	18	21	1	47
Apr 29-May 13, 2019	22	13	22	18	24	1	51
Aug 8-21, 2017	28	14	23	16	18	1	45
Nov 29-Dec 12, 2016	19	13	26	14	24	3	52
Mar 2-28, 2016	22	12	26	15	23	2	51

**ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE****ASK FORMS 3 AND 4 ONLY [N=4,944]:**

REPPTYTRAIT How well do each of the following phrases describe the REPUBLICAN PARTY?

	Very <u>well</u>	Somewhat <u>well</u>	Not too <u>well</u>	Not at all <u>well</u>	No <u>answer</u>
<b>a. Too extreme in its positions</b>					
Sep 3-15, 2019	30	33	23	12	2
<b>b. Governs in an honest and ethical way</b>					
Sep 3-15, 2019	7	31	30	30	1
<b>c. Cares about the middle class</b>					
Sep 3-15, 2019	10	29	30	30	1
<b>d. Represents the interests of people like me</b>					
Sep 3-15, 2019	10	30	26	32	1
Aug 16-Sep 12, 2016 <sup>7</sup>	8	31	29	31	2
Apr 5-May 2, 2016	6	33	29	29	3
<b>e. Respectful and tolerant of different types of people</b>					
Sep 3-15, 2019	9	29	27	33	1

**RANDOMIZE REPPTYTRAIT AND DEMPTYTRAIT**

<sup>7</sup> In Aug 16-Sept 12, 2016 and prior, this item was asked as a stand-alone question worded, "How well does the REPUBLICAN PARTY represent the interests of people like you?"

**ASK FORMS 3 AND 4 ONLY [N=4,944]:**

EMPTYTRAIT How well do each of the following phrases describe the DEMOCRATIC PARTY?

	Very <u>well</u>	Somewhat <u>well</u>	Not too <u>well</u>	Not at all <u>well</u>	No <u>answer</u>
a. Too extreme in its positions Sep 3-15, 2019	29	32	27	11	2
b. Governs in an honest and ethical way Sep 3-15, 2019	10	38	27	25	1
c. Cares about the middle class Sep 3-15, 2019	17	38	22	22	1
d. Represents the interests of people like me Sep 3-15, 2019	14	36	22	27	1
Aug 16-Sep 12, 2016 <sup>8</sup>	13	36	24	26	2
Apr 5-May 2, 2016	14	37	24	22	3
e. Respectful and tolerant of different types of people Sep 3-15, 2019	22	37	19	20	1

**RANDOMIZE PTYIDEADEM AND PTYIDEAREP**

**ASK FORM 3 AND IF REPUBLICAN/LEAN REPUBLICAN OR NO LEAN (F\_PARTYSUM\_FINAL=1,9) [N=1,058]<sup>9</sup>:**

**BASED ON REPUBLICANS AND REPUBLICAN LEANERS [N=1,005]:**

PTYIDEADEM Overall, would you say the DEMOCRATIC PARTY has...

Sep 3-15 <u>2019</u>		Apr 5-May 2 <u>2016<sup>10</sup></u>
4	A lot of good ideas	2
16	Some good ideas	19
33	A few good ideas	38
47	Almost no good ideas	39
1	No answer	2

<sup>8</sup> In Aug 16-Sept 12, 2016 and prior, this item was asked as a stand-alone question worded, "How well does the DEMOCRATIC PARTY represent the interests of people like you?"

<sup>9</sup> Due to a programming error, 7 respondents were not asked PTYIDEADEM on the first night of the survey. Results are based only on those who received the question.

<sup>10</sup> In Apr 5-May 2, 2016, this question was asked only of Republicans and Republican leaners.

**RANDOMIZE PTYIDEADEM AND PTYIDEAREP****ASK FORM 3 AND IF DEMOCRAT/LEAN DEMOCRAT OR NO LEAN (F\_PARTYSUM\_FINAL=2,9)  
[N=1,452]<sup>11</sup>****BASED ON DEMOCRATS AND DEMOCRATIC LEANERS [N=1,399]**

PTYIDEAREP Overall, would you say the REPUBLICAN PARTY has...

Sep 3-15 <u>2019</u>		Apr 5-May 2 <u>2016</u> <sup>12</sup>
1	A lot of good ideas	1
15	Some good ideas	21
42	A few good ideas	41
41	Almost no good ideas	35
1	No answer	2

**RANDOMIZE TRAITREP a-e BLOCK WITH TRAITDEM a-e BLOCK; DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS FOR EACH QUESTION IN REVERSE ORDER FOR RANDOM HALF OF SAMPLE; USE SAME RESPONSE OPTION ORDER FOR BOTH BLOCKS.**

Now thinking about some traits that might describe some people and not others...

**RANDOMIZE ORDER OF TRAITREP a-e****ASK FORMS 1 AND 2 [N=4,951]:**

TRAITREPa Compared to other Americans, would you say Republicans are...

Sep 3-15 <u>2019</u>		Mar 2-Mar 28 <u>2016</u>
23	NET More moral	23
8	A lot more moral	5
15	Somewhat more moral	18
50	About the same	55
25	NET more IMmoral	20
16	Somewhat more IMmoral	13
9	A lot more IMmoral	6
2	No Answer	2

**RANDOMIZE ORDER OF TRAITREP a-e****ASK FORMS 1 AND 2 [N=4,951]:**

TRAITREPB Compared to other Americans, would you say Republicans are...

Sep 3-15 <u>2019</u>		Mar 2-Mar 28 <u>2016</u>
25	NET more hard-working	28
9	A lot more hard-working	9
16	Somewhat more hard-working	19
62	About the same	60
11	NET more lazy	9
7	Somewhat more lazy	7
4	A lot more lazy	3
2	No Answer	2

**RANDOMIZE ORDER OF TRAITREP a-e**

<sup>11</sup> Due to a programming error, 10 respondents were not asked PTYIDEAREP on the first night of the survey. Results are based only on those who received the question.

<sup>12</sup> In Apr 5-May 2, 2016, this question was asked only of Democrats and Democratic leaners.

**ASK FORMS 1 AND 2 [N=4,951]:**

TRAITREPC Compared to other Americans, would you say Republicans are...

Sep 3-15 <u>2019</u>		Mar 2-Mar 28 <u>2016</u>
18	NET more open-minded	15
5	A lot more open-minded	4
13	Somewhat more open-minded	11
34	About the same	37
46	NET more closed-minded	46
25	Somewhat more closed-minded	27
21	A lot more closed-minded	19
2	No answer	2

**RANDOMIZE ORDER OF TRAITREP a-e****ASK FORMS 1 AND 2 [N=4,951]:**

TRAITREPD Compared to other Americans, would you say Republicans are...

Sep 3-15 <u>2019</u>	
40	NET more patriotic
19	A lot more patriotic
21	Somewhat more patriotic
46	About the same
12	NET more UNpatriotic
7	Somewhat more UNpatriotic
5	A lot more UNpatriotic
2	No answer

**RANDOMIZE ORDER OF TRAITREP a-e****ASK FORMS 1 AND 2 [N=4,951]:**

TRAITREPE Compared to other Americans, would you say Republicans are...

Sep 3-15 <u>2019</u>		Mar 2-Mar 28 <u>2016</u>
17	NET more intelligent	18
5	A lot more intelligent	5
12	Somewhat more intelligent	14
62	About the same	61
20	NET more UNintelligent	19
14	Somewhat more UNintelligent	13
6	A lot more UNintelligent	6
2	No answer	2

**RANDOMIZE TRAITREP a-e BLOCK WITH TRAITDEM a-e BLOCK; DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS FOR EACH QUESTION IN REVERSE ORDER FOR RANDOM HALF OF SAMPLE; USE SAME RESPONSE OPTION ORDER FOR BOTH BLOCKS.**

Now thinking about some traits that might describe some people and not others...

**RANDOMIZE ORDER OF TRAITDEM a-e  
ASK FORMS 1 AND 2 [N=4,951]:**

TRAITDEMa Compared to other Americans, would you say Democrats are...

Sep 3-15 <u>2019</u>		Mar 2-Mar 28 <u>2016</u>
22	NET more moral	19
7	A lot more moral	6
15	Somewhat more moral	13
50	About the same	57
26	NET more IMmoral	22
15	Somewhat more IMmoral	14
12	A lot more IMmoral	8
2	No answer	2

**RANDOMIZE ORDER OF TRAITDEM a-e  
ASK FORMS 1 AND 2 [N=4,951]:**

TRAITDEMb Compared to other Americans, would you say Democrats are...

Sep 3-15 <u>2019</u>		Mar 2-Mar 28 <u>2016</u>
15	NET more hard-working	17
6	A lot more hard-working	7
9	Somewhat hard-working	10
61	About the same	60
22	NET more lazy	20
15	Somewhat more lazy	15
7	A lot more lazy	6
2	No answer	2

**RANDOMIZE ORDER OF TRAITDEM a-e  
ASK FORMS 1 AND 2 [N=4,951]:**

TRAITDEMc Compared to other Americans, would you say Democrats are...

Sep 3-15 <u>2019</u>		Mar 2-Mar 28 <u>2016</u>
38	NET more open-minded	38
17	A lot more open-minded	12
22	Somewhat more open-minded	26
30	About the same	35
30	NET more closed-minded	25
15	Somewhat more closed-minded	14
16	A lot more closed-minded	11
1	No answer	2



**RANDOMIZE ORDER OF TRAITDEM a-e****ASK FORMS 1 AND 2 [N=4,951]:**

TRAITDEMd Compared to other Americans, would you say Democrats are...

Sep 3-15

2019

14	NET more patriotic
5	A lot more patriotic
10	Somewhat more patriotic
53	About the same
31	NET more UNpatriotic
19	Somewhat more UNpatriotic
13	A lot more UNpatriotic
2	No answer

**RANDOMIZE ORDER OF TRAITDEM a-e****ASK FORMS 1 AND 2 [N=4,951]:**

TRAITDEMe Compared to other Americans, would you say Democrats are...

Sep 3-15

2019

20	NET more intelligent
6	A lot more intelligent
14	Somewhat more intelligent
61	About the same
17	NET more UNintelligent
11	Somewhat more Unintelligent
7	A lot more Unintelligent
2	No answer

Mar 2-Mar 28

2016

21
7
15
62
15
11
3
2

**ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**