

Pew Global Attitudes Project
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Methodological notes:

- Survey results are based on national samples. For further details on sample designs, see Survey Methods section.
- Due to rounding, percentages may not total 100%. The topline “total” columns show 100%, because they are based on unrounded numbers.
- Since 2007, the Global Attitudes Project has used an automated process to generate toplines. As a result, numbers may differ slightly from those published prior to 2007.
- Not all questions included in the Spring 2011 survey are presented in this topline. Omitted questions have either been previously released or will be released in future reports.

		Q2 Overall, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way things are going in our country today?			
		Satisfied	Dissatisfied	DK/Refused	Total
Mexico	Spring, 2011	22	76	2	100
	Spring, 2010	19	79	2	100
	Spring, 2009	20	78	3	100
	Spring, 2008	30	68	2	100
	Spring, 2007	30	66	3	100
	Summer, 2002	16	79	6	100

		Q3a Please tell me if you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable or very unfavorable opinion of: a. The United States					Total
		Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	DK/Refused	
Mexico	Spring, 2011	6	46	32	9	7	100
	Spring, 2010	13	43	21	14	9	100
	Spring, 2009	15	54	18	9	5	100
	Spring, 2008	13	34	25	19	9	100
	Spring, 2007	10	46	26	15	3	100
	Summer, 2002	15	49	15	10	10	100

		Q4 Now thinking about our economic situation, how would you describe the current economic situation in Mexico - is it very good, somewhat good, somewhat bad or very bad?					Total
		Very good	Somewhat good	Somewhat bad	Very bad	DK/Refused	
Mexico	Spring, 2011	4	26	40	28	2	100
	Spring, 2010	2	22	37	38	1	100
	Spring, 2009	5	25	36	33	1	100
	Spring, 2008	6	30	35	27	2	100
	Spring, 2007	7	44	29	18	1	100
	Summer, 2002	3	28	36	30	3	100

		Q5 And over the next 12 months do you expect the economic situation in our country to improve a lot, improve a little, remain the same, worsen a little or worsen a lot?						Total
		Improve a lot	Improve a little	Remain the same	Worsen a little	Worsen a lot	DK/Refused	
Mexico	Spring, 2011	13	35	29	13	9	1	100
	Spring, 2010	12	35	25	16	10	3	100
	Spring, 2009	19	42	24	9	5	2	100
	Spring, 2008	12	30	35	16	5	2	100
	Summer, 2002	11	33	29	12	8	6	100

		Q12a Now I am going to read you a list of things that may be problems in our country. Tell me if you think it is a very big problem, a moderately big problem, a small problem or not a problem at all: a. crime					Total
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	
Mexico	Spring, 2011	80	16	3	0	0	100
	Spring, 2009	81	17	2	0	0	100
	Spring, 2007	64	32	3	0	1	100
	Summer, 2002	81	17	1	0	0	100

		Q12b Now I am going to read you a list of things that may be problems in our country. Tell me if you think it is a very big problem, a moderately big problem, a small problem or not a problem at all: b. corrupt political leaders					
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
Mexico	Spring, 2011	65	29	4	1	1	100
	Spring, 2009	68	26	5	1	1	100
	Spring, 2007	63	28	6	2	1	100
	Summer, 2002	72	23	3	0	1	100

		Q12d Now I am going to read you a list of things that may be problems in our country. Tell me if you think it is a very big problem, a moderately big problem, a small problem or not a problem at all: d. terrorism					
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
Mexico	Spring, 2011	62	20	12	4	2	100
	Spring, 2009	52	21	14	10	3	100
	Spring, 2007	50	26	15	7	2	100
	Summer, 2002	69	18	7	5	2	100

		Q12e Now I am going to read you a list of things that may be problems in our country. Tell me if you think it is a very big problem, moderately big problem, small problem or not a problem at all: e. people leaving our country for jobs in other countries					
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
Mexico	Spring, 2011	50	29	14	7	0	100
	Spring, 2009	50	31	12	6	1	100
	Spring, 2007	50	36	9	3	2	100
	Summer, 2002	52	30	9	7	1	100

		Q12f Now I am going to read you a list of things that may be problems in our country. Tell me if you think it is a very big problem, a moderately big problem, a small problem or not a problem at all: f. illegal drugs					
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
Mexico	Spring, 2011	71	24	3	1	0	100
	Spring, 2009	73	22	3	1	1	100
	Spring, 2007	65	28	5	1	1	100

		Q12g Now I am going to read you a list of things that may be problems in our country. Tell me if you think it is a very big problem, a moderately big problem, a small problem or not a problem at all: g. pollution					
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
Mexico	Spring, 2011	56	27	14	3	1	100
	Spring, 2009	63	26	9	1	1	100
	Spring, 2007	56	35	6	2	1	100

		Q12k Now I am going to read you a list of things that may be problems in our country. Tell me if you think it is a very big problem, a moderately big problem, a small problem or not a problem at all: k. economic problems					
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
Mexico	Spring, 2011	69	26	4	1	1	100
	Spring, 2009	75	19	4	1	1	100

		Q12I Now I am going to read you a list of things that may be problems in our country. Tell me if you think it is a very big problem, moderately big problem, small problem or not a problem at all: I. drug cartel-related violence in places like Ciudad Juarez					
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
Mexico	Spring, 2011	77	18	4	1	1	100

		Q13 Do you think rising prices is a very big problem, a moderately big problem, a small problem or not a problem at all in our country?				
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	DK/Refused	Total
Mexico	Spring, 2011	74	23	2	0	100

		Q13b Do you think a lack of job opportunities is a very big problem, a moderately big problem, a small problem or not a problem at all in our country?					
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
Mexico	Spring, 2011	70	26	3	1	0	100

		Q14 In your opinion, at this time is it more important that the government try to maintain law and order or try to protect people's personal freedoms?				
		Law and order	Personal freedoms	Both (DO NOT READ)	DK/Refused	Total
Mexico	Spring, 2011	58	26	15	2	100
	Spring, 2009	56	18	24	2	100

		Q33a As I read a list of groups and organizations, for each, please tell me what kind of influence the group is having on the way things are going in Mexico: a. our national government					
		Very good	Somewhat good	Somewhat bad	Very bad	DK/Refused	Total
Mexico	Spring, 2011	10	44	29	12	6	100
	Spring, 2009	18	54	19	7	3	100
	Spring, 2007	8	62	25	3	3	100
	Summer, 2002	11	53	23	7	6	100

		Q33bMEX As I read a list of groups and organizations, for each, please tell me what kind of influence the group is having on the way things are going in Mexico: b. President Calderón					
		Very good	Somewhat good	Somewhat bad	Very bad	DK/Refused	Total
Mexico	Spring, 2011	13	44	23	16	4	100
	Spring, 2009	25	50	16	6	3	100
	Spring, 2007	17	53	21	5	4	100
	Summer, 2002	15	51	18	11	6	100

In 2002, question asked about President Vicente Fox

		Q33c As I read a list of groups and organizations, for each, please tell me what kind of influence the group is having on the way things are going in Mexico: c. the military					
		Very good	Somewhat good	Somewhat bad	Very bad	DK/Refused	Total
Mexico	Spring, 2011	19	43	23	11	5	100
	Spring, 2009	31	46	14	4	4	100
	Spring, 2007	26	50	17	4	3	100
	Summer, 2002	22	54	13	4	7	100

		Q33d As I read a list of groups and organizations, for each, please tell me what kind of influence the group is having on the way things are going in Mexico: d. the media - such as television, radio, newspapers and magazines					
		Very good	Somewhat good	Somewhat bad	Very bad	DK/Refused	Total
Mexico	Spring, 2011	14	46	25	10	4	100
	Spring, 2009	21	47	22	6	5	100
	Spring, 2007	23	52	19	5	2	100
	Summer, 2002	29	55	10	3	4	100

		Q33f As I read a list of groups and organizations, for each, please tell me what kind of influence the group is having on the way things are going in Mexico: f. court system					
		Very good	Somewhat good	Somewhat bad	Very bad	DK/Refused	Total
Mexico	Spring, 2011	6	26	36	26	6	100
	Spring, 2009	8	29	36	19	9	100

		Q33g As I read a list of groups and organizations, for each, please tell me what kind of influence the group is having on the way things are going in Mexico: g. the police					
		Very good	Somewhat good	Somewhat bad	Very bad	DK/Refused	Total
Mexico	Spring, 2011	5	25	34	31	5	100
	Spring, 2009	7	28	32	26	6	100

		Q50a Now I like to ask your views about some additional political leaders. Please tell me if you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion: a. Beatriz Paredes Rangel					
		Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	DK/Refused	Total
Mexico	Spring, 2011	6	37	25	13	18	100
	Spring, 2009	9	38	23	9	21	100

		Q50b Now I like to ask your views about some additional political leaders. Please tell me if you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion: b. Jesus Ortega Martinez					
		Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	DK/Refused	Total
Mexico	Spring, 2011	2	20	25	20	33	100
	Spring, 2009	8	29	24	11	28	100

		Q50c Now I like to ask your views about some additional political leaders. Please tell me if you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion: c. Felipe Calderón					
		Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	DK/Refused	Total
Mexico	Spring, 2011	11	44	25	17	3	100
	Spring, 2009	22	46	19	10	4	100

		Q50d Now I like to ask your views about some additional political leaders. Please tell me if you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion: d. Andrés Manuel López Obrador					
		Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	DK/Refused	Total
Mexico	Spring, 2011	7	26	23	39	5	100

		Q50e Now I like to ask your views about some additional political leaders. Please tell me if you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion: e. Enrique Peña Nieto					
		Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	DK/Refused	Total
Mexico	Spring, 2011	15	46	19	12	9	100

		Q50f Now I like to ask your views about some additional political leaders. Please tell me if you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion: f. Marcelo Ebrard					
		Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	DK/Refused	Total
Mexico	Spring, 2011	4	31	28	18	18	100

		Q50g Now I like to ask your views about some additional political leaders. Please tell me if you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion: g. Gustavo Madero Muñoz					
		Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	DK/Refused	Total
Mexico	Spring, 2011	2	16	20	19	43	100

		Q52MEX From what you know, do people from our country who move to the U.S. have a better life there, a worse life there, or is life neither better nor worse there?					
		Better	Worse	Neither better nor worse	Don't know anyone who moved to the US (DO NOT READ)	DK/Refused	Total
Mexico	Spring, 2011	44	22	29	1	3	100
	Spring, 2009	57	14	22	3	4	100
	Spring, 2007	51	21	23	2	3	100

		Q106MEX If at this moment, you had the means and opportunity to go to live in the United States, would you go?			
		Yes	No	DK/Refused	Total
Mexico	Spring, 2011	38	61	2	100
	Spring, 2009	33	62	5	100

		Q106MEXb ASK IF RESPONDENT WANTS TO GO LIVE IN THE UNITED STATES (Q106MEX = 1): And would you be inclined to go work and live in the U.S. without authorization?				
		Yes	No	DK/Refused	Total	N
Mexico	Spring, 2011	53	47	1	100	283
	Spring, 2009	55	41	4	100	341

		Q107 Do you support or oppose using the Mexican army to fight drug traffickers?			
		Support	Oppose	DK/Refused	Total
Mexico	Spring, 2011	83	14	3	100
	Spring, 2010	80	17	3	100
	Spring, 2009	83	12	5	100

		Q108 Do you think that the Mexican government is making progress in its campaign against the drug traffickers, losing ground, or are things about the same as they have been in the past?				Total
		Making progress	Losing ground	Same as they have been in the past	DK/Refused	
Mexico	Spring, 2011	45	29	25	1	100

		Q109a Now I going to read you a list of things the United States might do to help the Mexican government combat drug traffickers in our country. Would support or oppose it: a. Training Mexican police and military personnel			Total
		Support	Oppose	DK/Refused	
Mexico	Spring, 2011	74	26	1	100
	Spring, 2010	78	19	3	100
	Spring, 2009	78	17	5	100

		Q109b Now I going to read you a list of things the United States might do to help the Mexican government combat drug traffickers in our country. Would support or oppose it: b. Providing money and weapons to the Mexican police and military personnel			Total
		Support	Oppose	DK/Refused	
Mexico	Spring, 2011	64	33	3	100
	Spring, 2010	57	37	6	100
	Spring, 2009	63	28	8	100

		Q109c Now I going to read you a list of things the United States might do to help the Mexican government combat drug traffickers in our country. Would support or oppose it: c. Deploying U.S. troops in Mexico			Total
		Support	Oppose	DK/Refused	
Mexico	Spring, 2011	38	57	4	100
	Spring, 2010	26	67	7	100
	Spring, 2009	30	59	11	100

		Q110 Which comes closest to describing your view? The United States is mostly to blame for the drug violence in Mexico, OR Mexico is mostly to blame for the drug violence, OR both are to blame.					Total
		U.S.	Mexico	Both	Neither (DO NOT READ)	DK/Refused	
Mexico	Spring, 2011	18	16	61	2	3	100
	Spring, 2010	27	14	51	4	5	100
	Spring, 2009	25	15	51	4	5	100