

# Topline Questionnaire

**Pew Research Center  
Spring 2018 Survey  
March 25, 2019 Release**

## Methodological notes:

- Survey results are based on national samples. For further details on sample designs, see Methodology section and our [international survey methods database](#).
- Due to rounding, percentages may not total 100%. The topline “total” columns show 100%, because they are based on unrounded numbers.
- Throughout this report, trends from India in 2013 refer to a survey conducted between December 7, 2013, and January 12, 2014 (Winter 2013-2014).
- For some countries, trends for certain years are omitted due to differences in sample design or population coverage. Omitted trends often reflect less representative samples than more recent surveys in the same countries. Trends that are omitted include:
  - India prior to Winter 2013-2014
- Not all questions included in the Spring 2018 survey are presented in this topline. Omitted questions have either been previously released or will be released in future reports.

		<b>Q1. Overall, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way things are going in our country today?</b>			
		<b>Satisfied</b>	<b>Dissatisfied</b>	<b>DK/Refused</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>India</b>	<b>Spring, 2018</b>	55	37	8	100
	<b>Spring, 2017</b>	70	27	4	100
	<b>Spring, 2016</b>	65	33	2	100
	<b>Spring, 2015</b>	56	43	1	100
	<b>Spring, 2014</b>	36	60	4	100
	<b>Winter, 2013-2014</b>	29	70	1	100

		<b>Q3. When children today in (survey country) grow up, do you think they will be better off or worse off financially than their parents?</b>				
		<b>Better off</b>	<b>Worse off</b>	<b>Same (DO NOT READ)</b>	<b>DK/Refused</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>India</b>	<b>Spring, 2018</b>	66	19	3	12	100
	<b>Spring, 2017</b>	76	12	5	7	100
	<b>Spring, 2016</b>	72	20	5	4	100
	<b>Spring, 2015</b>	74	18	4	4	100
	<b>Spring, 2014</b>	67	24	4	4	100
	<b>Winter, 2013-2014</b>	64	23	5	8	100

		<b>Q4. How satisfied are you with the way democracy is working in our country – very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, not too satisfied, or not at all satisfied?</b>					
		<b>Very satisfied</b>	<b>Somewhat satisfied</b>	<b>Not too satisfied</b>	<b>Not at all satisfied</b>	<b>DK/Refused</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>India</b>	<b>Spring, 2018</b>	25	29	18	15	13	100
	<b>Spring, 2017</b>	33	46	8	3	9	100

		<b>Q6. Compared with 20 years ago, do you think the financial situation of average people in (survey country) is better, worse, or do you think there has been no change?</b>				
		<b>Better</b>	<b>Worse</b>	<b>No change</b>	<b>DK/Refused</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>India</b>	<b>Spring, 2018</b>	65	15	10	10	100

		Q17e. Please tell me if you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable or very unfavorable opinion of _____. e. India					
		Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	DK/Refused	Total
United States	Spring, 2018	7	43	17	6	26	100
	Spring, 2015	9	54	17	8	11	100
	Spring, 2014	9	46	20	10	14	100
	Fall, 2009	10	46	16	8	19	100
	Spring, 2008	18	45	11	3	22	100
Australia	Spring, 2018	6	51	23	10	10	100
	Spring, 2017	10	55	18	6	9	100
	Spring, 2016	5	48	28	8	11	100
	Spring, 2015	6	52	22	9	11	100
	Spring, 2013	6	48	26	10	9	100
	Spring, 2008	7	64	17	3	9	100
Indonesia	Spring, 2018	12	45	19	4	20	100
	Spring, 2017	14	60	12	3	11	100
	Spring, 2015	10	41	19	5	24	100
	Spring, 2014	10	52	20	3	14	100
	Spring, 2013	15	54	12	3	15	100
	Spring, 2011	6	55	19	3	16	100
	Spring, 2010	3	61	19	3	13	100
	Spring, 2008	7	56	20	2	16	100
	Spring, 2007	9	65	13	2	11	100
Japan	Spring, 2018	7	51	17	7	19	100
	Spring, 2017	5	52	18	5	20	100
	Spring, 2016	4	50	20	4	21	100
	Spring, 2015	8	55	22	5	9	100
	Spring, 2014	7	56	23	3	11	100
	Spring, 2013	6	56	23	3	12	100
	Spring, 2012	8	62	20	2	8	100
	Spring, 2011	7	52	20	3	18	100
	Spring, 2010	6	56	22	5	12	100
	Spring, 2008	5	55	26	4	10	100
	Spring, 2007	7	44	30	5	14	100
Philippines	Spring, 2018	14	49	14	7	15	100
	Spring, 2017	10	47	17	8	18	100
	Spring, 2015	8	40	29	9	14	100
	Spring, 2014	4	46	30	10	11	100
	Spring, 2013	4	43	34	10	9	100
South Korea	Spring, 2018	4	60	16	2	17	100
	Spring, 2017	2	47	17	3	30	100
	Spring, 2015	3	61	20	3	14	100
	Spring, 2014	2	57	26	4	12	100
	Spring, 2013	3	59	20	3	15	100
	Spring, 2010	2	48	28	6	16	100
	Spring, 2008	1	51	28	4	16	100
	Spring, 2007	2	57	20	4	17	100

		<b>Q25. What do you think about the growing trade and business ties between (survey country) and other countries – do you think it is a very good thing, somewhat good, somewhat bad, or a very bad thing for our country?</b>					
		<b>Very good</b>	<b>Somewhat good</b>	<b>Somewhat bad</b>	<b>Very bad</b>	<b>DK/Refused</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>India</b>	<b>Spring, 2018</b>	49	22	5	4	21	100
	<b>Spring, 2014</b>	25	51	8	3	13	100

		<b>Q26. Does trade with other countries lead to an increase in the wages of (survey country nationality) workers, a decrease in wages, or does it not make a difference?</b>				
		<b>Increase</b>	<b>Decrease</b>	<b>Does not make a difference</b>	<b>DK/Refused</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>India</b>	<b>Spring, 2018</b>	57	13	7	23	100
	<b>Spring, 2014</b>	49	23	10	18	100

		<b>Q27. Does trade with other countries lead to job creation in (survey country), job losses, or does it not make a difference?</b>				
		<b>Job creation</b>	<b>Job losses</b>	<b>Does not make a difference</b>	<b>DK/Refused</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>India</b>	<b>Spring, 2018</b>	56	15	8	21	100
	<b>Spring, 2014</b>	49	24	10	17	100

		<b>Q28. Does trade with other countries lead to an increase in the price of products sold in (survey country), a decrease in prices, or does it not make a difference?</b>				
		<b>Increase</b>	<b>Decrease</b>	<b>Does not make a difference</b>	<b>DK/Refused</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>India</b>	<b>Spring, 2018</b>	52	15	9	24	100
	<b>Spring, 2014</b>	48	29	7	16	100

		Q32c. Do you think ____ plays a more important role in the world today compared to 10 years ago, a less important role, or about as important a role in the world as it did 10 years ago? c. India				
		More important role	Less important role	As important as 10 years ago	DK/Refused	Total
United States	Spring, 2018	40	17	33	10	100
Canada	Spring, 2018	39	19	34	8	100
France	Spring, 2018	49	18	31	2	100
Germany	Spring, 2018	38	21	33	8	100
Greece	Spring, 2018	20	22	38	21	100
Hungary	Spring, 2018	17	21	44	18	100
Italy	Spring, 2018	22	17	34	27	100
Netherlands	Spring, 2018	38	18	36	8	100
Poland	Spring, 2018	17	22	27	34	100
Spain	Spring, 2018	24	22	47	7	100
Sweden	Spring, 2018	47	18	31	5	100
United Kingdom	Spring, 2018	46	16	29	9	100
Russia	Spring, 2018	22	21	38	19	100
Australia	Spring, 2018	40	17	36	7	100
India	Spring, 2018	56	14	4	26	100
	Spring, 2016	68	15	4	13	100
Indonesia	Spring, 2018	21	31	24	24	100
Japan	Spring, 2018	48	4	37	11	100
Philippines	Spring, 2018	15	22	49	13	100
South Korea	Spring, 2018	48	7	34	10	100
Israel	Spring, 2018	27	31	35	7	100
Tunisia	Spring, 2018	23	22	37	17	100
Kenya	Spring, 2018	37	28	19	16	100
Nigeria	Spring, 2018	34	30	9	27	100
South Africa	Spring, 2018	28	37	15	20	100
Argentina	Spring, 2018	13	29	20	37	100
Brazil	Spring, 2018	21	32	23	24	100
Mexico	Spring, 2018	14	33	30	23	100

		Q34a. Does this statement describe (survey country) very well, somewhat well, not too well, or not well at all? a. Elected officials care what ordinary people think					
		Very well	Somewhat well	Not too well	Not well at all	DK/Refused	Total
India	Spring, 2018	13	20	17	26	23	100

		Q34b. Does this statement describe (survey country) very well, somewhat well, not too well, or not well at all? b. The court system treats everyone fairly					
		Very well	Somewhat well	Not too well	Not well at all	DK/Refused	Total
India	Spring, 2018	23	24	16	20	18	100

		Q34c. Does this statement describe (survey country) very well, somewhat well, not too well, or not well at all? c. Most politicians are corrupt					
		Very well	Somewhat well	Not too well	Not well at all	DK/Refused	Total
India	Spring, 2018	43	21	9	16	11	100

		Q34d. Does this statement describe (survey country) very well, somewhat well, not too well, or not well at all? d. Most people live in areas where it is dangerous to walk around at night					
		Very well	Somewhat well	Not too well	Not well at all	DK/Refused	Total
India	Spring, 2018	30	24	12	20	14	100

		Q34e. Does this statement describe (survey country) very well, somewhat well, not too well, or not well at all? e. No matter who wins an election, things do not change very much					
		Very well	Somewhat well	Not too well	Not well at all	DK/Refused	Total
India	Spring, 2018	37	21	13	16	14	100

		Q34f. Does this statement describe (survey country) very well, somewhat well, not too well, or not well at all? f. The rights of people to express their views in public are protected					
		Very well	Somewhat well	Not too well	Not well at all	DK/Refused	Total
India	Spring, 2018	34	24	14	12	16	100

		Q34g. Does this statement describe (survey country) very well, somewhat well, not too well, or not well at all? g. Most people have a good chance to improve their standard of living					
		Very well	Somewhat well	Not too well	Not well at all	DK/Refused	Total
India	Spring, 2018	25	31	14	13	17	100

		Q35g. For each, tell me how much confidence you have in each leader to do the right thing regarding world affairs – a lot of confidence, some confidence, not too much confidence, or no confidence at all. g. Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi					
		A lot of confidence	Some confidence	Not too much confidence	No confidence at all	DK/Refused	Total
United States	Spring, 2018	4	35	19	13	28	100
Australia	Spring, 2018	3	42	22	10	23	100
	Spring, 2015	8	43	16	8	25	100
Indonesia	Spring, 2018	5	32	22	4	37	100
	Spring, 2015	4	24	20	7	45	100
Japan	Spring, 2018	4	44	17	3	32	100
	Spring, 2015	5	42	20	3	29	100
Philippines	Spring, 2018	9	46	14	11	20	100
	Spring, 2015	9	35	26	8	23	100
South Korea	Spring, 2018	3	40	27	4	26	100
	Spring, 2015	3	36	25	3	34	100

		<b>Q51. Do you think people leaving our country for jobs in other countries is a very big problem, a moderately big problem, a small problem, or not a problem at all for (survey country)?</b>					
		<b>Very big problem</b>	<b>Moderately big problem</b>	<b>Small problem</b>	<b>Not a problem at all</b>	<b>DK/Refused</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>India</b>	<b>Spring, 2018</b>	49	15	6	12	17	100

		<b>Q52. In your opinion, should we allow more immigrants to move to our country, fewer immigrants, or about the same as we do now?</b>					
		<b>More</b>	<b>Fewer</b>	<b>About the same</b>	<b>No immigrants at all (DO NOT READ)</b>	<b>DK/Refused</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>India</b>	<b>Spring, 2018</b>	13	29	11	16	30	100

		<b>Q58a. As I read each one, please tell me if you think it is a very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important reason why people in (survey country) move to other countries. a. To find better job opportunities</b>					
		<b>Very important</b>	<b>Somewhat important</b>	<b>Not too important</b>	<b>Not at all important</b>	<b>DK/Refused</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>India</b>	<b>Spring, 2018</b>	59	18	3	4	16	100

		<b>Q58b. As I read each one, please tell me if you think it is a very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important reason why people in (survey country) move to other countries. b. To escape violence</b>					
		<b>Very important</b>	<b>Somewhat important</b>	<b>Not too important</b>	<b>Not at all important</b>	<b>DK/Refused</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>India</b>	<b>Spring, 2018</b>	14	14	12	34	26	100

		<b>Q58c. As I read each one, please tell me if you think it is a very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important reason why people in (survey country) move to other countries. c. To find better educational opportunities</b>					
		<b>Very important</b>	<b>Somewhat important</b>	<b>Not too important</b>	<b>Not at all important</b>	<b>DK/Refused</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>India</b>	<b>Spring, 2018</b>	47	27	6	5	16	100

		<b>Q58d. As I read each one, please tell me if you think it is a very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important reason why people in (survey country) move to other countries. d. To reunite with family currently living in another</b>					
		<b>Very important</b>	<b>Somewhat important</b>	<b>Not too important</b>	<b>Not at all important</b>	<b>DK/Refused</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>India</b>	<b>Spring, 2018</b>	27	24	14	13	21	100

		<b>Q67a. As I read each one, please 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</b>					
		<b>Very big problem</b>	<b>Moderately big problem</b>	<b>Small problem</b>	<b>Not a problem at all</b>	<b>DK/Refused</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>India</b>	<b>Spring, 2018</b>	64	20	7	2	7	100
	<b>Spring, 2017</b>	84	9	3	1	3	100
	<b>Spring, 2016</b>	82	13	3	0	1	100
	<b>Spring, 2015</b>	93	6	1	0	1	100
	<b>Spring, 2014</b>	85	9	2	0	4	100

		<b>Q67b. As I read each one, please 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. lack of employment opportunities</b>					
		<b>Very big problem</b>	<b>Moderately big problem</b>	<b>Small problem</b>	<b>Not a problem at all</b>	<b>DK/Refused</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>India</b>	<b>Spring, 2018</b>	76	14	4	2	5	100
	<b>Spring, 2017</b>	73	19	3	1	4	100
	<b>Spring, 2016</b>	81	14	2	0	3	100
	<b>Spring, 2015</b>	87	10	1	1	2	100
	<b>Spring, 2014</b>	79	16	4	0	1	100
	<b>Winter, 2013-2014</b>	85	10	3	1	1	100

		<b>Q67d. As I read each one, please 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. the gap between the rich and the poor</b>					
		<b>Very big problem</b>	<b>Moderately big problem</b>	<b>Small problem</b>	<b>Not a problem at all</b>	<b>DK/Refused</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>India</b>	<b>Spring, 2018</b>	51	24	13	5	7	100
	<b>Spring, 2017</b>	61	25	7	3	5	100
	<b>Spring, 2015</b>	74	20	4	1	1	100
	<b>Spring, 2014</b>	70	19	7	2	2	100
	<b>Winter, 2013-2014</b>	82	12	4	1	1	100

		<b>Q67f. As I read each one, please 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. corrupt business people</b>					
		<b>Very big problem</b>	<b>Moderately big problem</b>	<b>Small problem</b>	<b>Not a problem at all</b>	<b>DK/Refused</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>India</b>	<b>Spring, 2018</b>	59	22	6	2	11	100
	<b>Spring, 2017</b>	59	24	6	1	9	100
	<b>Spring, 2015</b>	74	19	4	1	2	100
	<b>Winter, 2013-2014</b>	83	12	3	1	1	100

		<b>Q67g. As I read each one, please 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. terrorism</b>					
		<b>Very big problem</b>	<b>Moderately big problem</b>	<b>Small problem</b>	<b>Not a problem at all</b>	<b>DK/Refused</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>India</b>	<b>Spring, 2018</b>	65	16	8	2	10	100
	<b>Spring, 2017</b>	76	13	4	2	5	100
	<b>Spring, 2016</b>	78	14	4	1	3	100
	<b>Spring, 2015</b>	85	9	3	0	4	100
	<b>Winter, 2013-2014</b>	88	7	2	1	2	100



		Q67i. As I read each one, please tell me if you think it is a very big problem, a moderately big problem, a small problem, or not a problem at all. i. rising prices					
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
India	Spring, 2018	73	15	6	2	5	100
	Spring, 2017	71	20	4	1	4	100
	Spring, 2015	87	10	1	0	1	100
	Spring, 2014	86	10	3	0	1	100
	Winter, 2013-2014	89	8	1	1	1	100

		Q67j. As I read each one, please tell me if you think it is a very big problem, a moderately big problem, a small problem, or not a problem at all. j. corrupt officials					
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
India	Spring, 2018	66	20	4	1	8	100
	Spring, 2017	74	17	3	1	5	100
	Spring, 2016	80	15	3	0	3	100
	Spring, 2015	86	11	1	0	2	100
	Winter, 2013-2014	83	11	3	0	3	100

		Q67k. As I read each one, please 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. air pollution					
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
India	Spring, 2018	44	24	14	5	13	100
	Spring, 2017	54	25	10	1	10	100
	Spring, 2016	68	19	6	1	6	100
	Spring, 2015	74	19	4	1	2	100
	Spring, 2014	52	31	9	3	5	100

		Q67l. As I read each one, please tell me if you think it is a very big problem, a moderately big problem, a small problem, or not a problem at all. l. communal relations					
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
India	Spring, 2018	34	26	15	7	17	100
	Spring, 2017	37	31	13	5	13	100
	Spring, 2016	54	22	11	5	8	100
	Spring, 2015	59	29	6	1	5	100

		Q67m. As I read each one, please tell me if you think it is a very big problem, a moderately big problem, a small problem, or not a problem at all. m. poor quality schools					
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
India	Spring, 2018	50	23	13	6	8	100
	Spring, 2017	48	29	12	4	7	100
	Spring, 2015	77	17	3	1	2	100
	Spring, 2014	57	29	10	2	2	100

		Q67n. As I read each one, please tell me if you think it is a very big problem, a moderately big problem, a small problem, or not a problem at all. n. health care					
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
India	Spring, 2018	44	28	15	5	8	100
	Spring, 2017	54	24	14	4	4	100
	Spring, 2015	68	24	5	1	1	100
	Spring, 2014	53	28	12	5	2	100

		Q67o. As I read each one, please tell me if you think it is a very big problem, a moderately big problem, a small problem, or not a problem at all. o. the situation in Kashmir					
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
India	Spring, 2018	55	15	7	2	21	100
	Spring, 2017	62	18	6	1	13	100
	Spring, 2015	68	20	4	1	6	100

		Q72a. Over the past five years do you think ____ in India has gotten much better, somewhat better, somewhat worse, or much worse? a. job opportunities						
		Much better	Somewhat better	Somewhat worse	Much worse	No change (DO NOT READ)	DK/Refused	Total
India	Spring, 2018	6	15	20	47	5	7	100

		Q72b. Over the past five years do you think ____ in India has gotten much better, somewhat better, somewhat worse, or much worse? b. terrorism						
		Much better	Somewhat better	Somewhat worse	Much worse	No change (DO NOT READ)	DK/Refused	Total
India	Spring, 2018	5	16	21	38	5	14	100

		Q72c. Over the past five years do you think ____ in India has gotten much better, somewhat better, somewhat worse, or much worse? c. corruption						
		Much better	Somewhat better	Somewhat worse	Much worse	No change (DO NOT READ)	DK/Refused	Total
India	Spring, 2018	5	16	18	47	5	9	100

		Q72d. Over the past five years do you think ____ in India has gotten much better, somewhat better, somewhat worse, or much worse? d. the gap between rich and poor						
		Much better	Somewhat better	Somewhat worse	Much worse	No change (DO NOT READ)	DK/Refused	Total
India	Spring, 2018	5	22	23	31	9	10	100

		Q72e. Over the past five years do you think ____ in India has gotten much better, somewhat better, somewhat worse, or much worse? e. communal relations						
		Much better	Somewhat better	Somewhat worse	Much worse	No change (DO NOT READ)	DK/Refused	Total
India	Spring, 2018	5	23	23	22	6	20	100

		Q72f. Over the past five years do you think ____ in India has gotten much better, somewhat better, somewhat worse, or much worse? f. air pollution						
		Much better	Somewhat better	Somewhat worse	Much worse	No change (DO NOT READ)	DK/Refused	Total
India	Spring, 2018	5	22	23	28	6	16	100

		Q72g. Over the past five years do you think ____ in India has gotten much better, somewhat better, somewhat worse, or much worse? g. prices of goods and services						
		Much better	Somewhat better	Somewhat worse	Much worse	No change (DO NOT READ)	DK/Refused	Total
India	Spring, 2018	4	15	23	42	4	12	100

		Q72h. Over the past five years do you think ____ in India has gotten much better, somewhat better, somewhat worse, or much worse? h. the situation in Kashmir						
		Much better	Somewhat better	Somewhat worse	Much worse	No change (DO NOT READ)	DK/Refused	Total
India	Spring, 2018	3	15	19	34	6	24	100

		Q73. In dealing with the situation in Jammu and Kashmir, do you think the Indian government should use more military force than it is using now, less military force, or about the same amount of military force as it is using now?					
		More	Less	About the same	Should not be using force at all (DO NOT READ)	DK/Refused	Total
India	Spring, 2018	58	7	7	0	27	100

		Q76b. How serious of a threat is ____ to our country? Is it a very serious threat, a somewhat serious threat, a minor threat, or not a threat at all? b. Pakistan					
		Very serious threat	Somewhat serious threat	Minor threat	Not a threat at all	DK/Refused	Total
India	Spring, 2018	63	13	5	2	17	100