

**PEW RESEARCH CENTER
TOPLINE
October 21 – November 30, 2015
N=1,500**

Note: All numbers are percentages. The percentages greater than zero but less than 0.5% are replaced by an asterisk (*). Columns/rows may not total 100% due to rounding.

	Sample size	Margin of error at 95% confidence level
Total foreign-born Hispanic respondents	795	+/-4.4% points
<i>Mexican</i>	439	+/-5.8% points
<i>Non-Mexican</i>	356	+/-6.7% points
<i>U.S. citizens</i>	336	+/-6.8% points
<i>Legal permanent residents</i>	240	+/-7.9% points
<i>Not citizens and not residents</i>	214	+/-8.4% points

QUESTIONS 1-8, 10-17, 19-20, 26-30, 32, 35, 38, 41, 43-49, 51, 54 AND SELECTED DEMOGRAPHICS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

NO QUESTIONS 18, 21-25, 31, 33-34, 36-37, 39-40, 42, 50, 52-53, 55-57

ASK IF BORN IN ANOTHER COUNTRY (Q.4=3, D, R AND Q.5 ≠ 24)

9. Are you a citizen of the United States?

<u>Total</u>		<u>Mexican</u>	<u>Non-Mexican</u>
36	Yes	31	44
63	No	67	56
*	Don't know (VOL.)	*	0
1	Refused (VOL.)	1	*
<i>n=795</i>		<i>n=439</i>	<i>n=356</i>

TRENDS:

	Oct <u>2014</u>	Oct <u>2012</u>	Dec <u>2011</u>	Sep <u>2010</u>	Sep <u>2009</u>	Jul <u>2008</u>	Nov <u>2007</u>	Jul <u>2006</u>
Yes	38	37	40	41	40	34	36	36
No	62	63	57	57	58	66	62	63
Don't know (VOL.)	*	*	0	*	0	*	1	1
Refused (VOL.)	1	*	3	2	2	*	1	1

ASK IF NOT A CITIZEN OF U.S. (Q.9 = 2)

58. Earlier you said you are not a citizen of the U.S. Do you have a green card or have you been approved for one?

(INTERVIEWER NOTE: If necessary for clarification, state that you are inquiring as to whether they are a 'legal permanent resident', or have been approved for 'legal permanent residency').

<u>Total</u>		<u>Mexican</u>	<u>Non-Mexican</u>
47	Yes	43	58
51	No	56	41
1	Don't know (VOL.)	*	1
1	Refused (VOL.)	1	1
<i>n=454</i>		<i>n=265</i>	<i>n=189</i>

QUESTION 58 CONTINUED...

TRENDS:

	Oct <u>2014</u>	Oct <u>2012</u>	Dec <u>2011</u>	Sep <u>2010</u>
Yes	43	49	60	52
No	55	49	37	42
Don't know (VOL.)	*	1	1	2
Refused (VOL.)	2	1	3	4

ASK IF NOT A CITIZEN OF U.S. (Q.9 = 2)

59. If you could, would you naturalize and become a U.S. citizen, or not?

BASED ON LEGAL PERMANENT RESIDENTS (Q.58 = 1)

<u>Total</u>		<u>Mexican</u>	<u>Non-Mexican</u>
96	Yes	98	94
3	No	2	5
1	Don't know (VOL.)	0	2
0	Refused (VOL.)	0	0
<i>n=240</i>		<i>n=132</i>	<i>n=108</i>

BASED ON NOT CITIZENS AND NOT LEGAL PERMANENT RESIDENTS (Q.58 = 2, 8, 9)

<u>Total</u>		<u>Mexican</u>	<u>Non-Mexican</u>
91	Yes	92	---
7	No	7	---
1	Don't know (VOL.)	1	---
1	Refused (VOL.)	1	---
<i>n=214</i>		<i>n=133</i>	<i>n=81</i>

TREND:

	Oct <u>2012</u>
Yes	93
No	5
Don't know (VOL.)	1
Refused (VOL.)	1

ASK IF NOT A CITIZEN OF U.S. AND WOULD NATURALIZE IF COULD (Q.59 = 1)

60. Have you done any research about the steps that are necessary to become a U.S. citizen?

BASED ON LEGAL PERMANENT RESIDENTS (Q.58 = 1)

<u>Total</u>		<u>Mexican</u>	<u>Non-Mexican</u>
72	Yes	67	80
28	No	33	20
0	Don't know (VOL.)	0	0
0	Refused (VOL.)	0	0
<i>n=232</i>		<i>n=128</i>	<i>n=104</i>

BASED ON NOT CITIZENS AND NOT LEGAL PERMANENT RESIDENTS (Q.58 = 2, 8, 9)

<u>Total</u>		<u>Mexican</u>	<u>Non-Mexican</u>
35	Yes	32	---
64	No	67	---
1	Don't know (VOL.)	1	---
0	Refused (VOL.)	0	---
<i>n=195</i>		<i>n=121</i>	<i>n=74</i>

NO QUESTION 61**ASK IF NOT A CITIZEN OF U.S. AND WOULD NATURALIZE IF COULD (Q.59 = 1)**

62. Do you know how many tests you have to take to become a U.S. citizen?

BASED ON LEGAL PERMANENT RESIDENTS (Q.58 = 1)

<u>Total</u>		<u>Mexican</u>	<u>Non-Mexican</u>
18	Yes, 2 tests	16	21
22	Yes, gave number different from 2	25	18
48	No	48	49
10	Don't know (VOL.)	9	12
1	Refused (VOL.)	2	0
<i>n=232</i>		<i>n=128</i>	<i>n=104</i>

BASED ON NOT CITIZENS AND NOT LEGAL PERMANENT RESIDENTS (Q.58 = 2, 8, 9)

<u>Total</u>		<u>Mexican</u>	<u>Non-Mexican</u>
5	Yes, 2 tests	5	---
10	Yes, gave number different from 2	6	---
79	No	83	---
6	Don't know (VOL.)	6	---
0	Refused (VOL.)	0	---
<i>n=195</i>		<i>n=121</i>	<i>n=74</i>

ASK IF LEGAL PERMANENT RESIDENT (Q.58 = 1)

63. What is the main reason why you have not naturalized and become a U.S. citizen?

<u>Total</u>		<u>Mexican</u>	<u>Non-Mexican</u>
31	Language and other personal barriers (NET)	35	23
25	Needs to learn English	27	21
3	Test difficulty/afraid of taking it	5	*
2	Have tried but have not been successful	3	1
15	Financial and administrative barriers (NET)	13	19
11	Cost to naturalize is too high/needs to save money	8	14
1	Process is too complicated	1	0
4	Do not know how/need info	4	4
25	Have not tried yet/no interest (NET)	31	16
15	Have not had time to do it	18	12
4	Have not made the effort/procrastination	5	1
3	No interest/would not even if could	4	3
3	Have never applied	4	0
8	Currently applying/will do it soon (NET)	8	8
4	Currently applying	4	4
4	Will apply soon (next year)	4	5
10	Not eligible yet/waiting for green card	3	22
8	Other reasons	6	12
1	Don't know (VOL.)	2	*
1	Refused (VOL.)	2	*
<i>n=240</i>		<i>n=132</i>	<i>n=108</i>

TREND:

	<u>Oct 2012</u>
Language and other personal barriers (NET)	26
Needs to learn English	17
Test difficulty/afraid of taking it	6
Have tried but have not been successful	3
Financial and administrative barriers (NET)	18
Cost to naturalize is too high/needs to save money	17
Process is too complicated	1
Do not know how/need info	1
Have not tried yet/no interest (NET)	26
Have not had time to do it	11
Have not made the effort/procrastination	4
No interest/would not even if could*	9
Have never applied	2
Currently applying/will do it soon (NET)	4
Currently applying	3
Will apply soon (next year)	1
Not eligible yet/waiting for green card	13
Other reasons	7
Don't know (VOL.)	3
Refused (VOL.)	3

ASK IF LEGAL PERMANENT RESIDENT (Q.58 = 1)

64. Do you intend to go back to your home country and live there later in life, or not?

<u>Total</u>		<u>Mexican</u>	<u>Non-Mexican</u>
23	Yes	22	25
69	No	70	66
8	Don't know (VOL.)	8	9
0	Refused (VOL.)	0	0
<i>n=240</i>		<i>n=132</i>	<i>n=108</i>