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APRIL 2016 POLITICS AND FOREIGN POLICY SURVEY  
FINAL TOPLINE  
APRIL 12-19, 2016  
N=2,008**

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

Q.1 Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama 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 Barack Obama is handling his job as President? IF STILL DEPENDS ENTER AS DK]**

	Approve	Dis- approve	(VOL.) DK/Ref		Approve	Dis- approve	(VOL.) DK/Ref
Apr 12-19, 2016	48	47	5	Dec 7-11, 2011	46	43	11
Mar 17-26, 2016	51	44	6	Nov 9-14, 2011	46	46	8
Jan 7-14, 2016	46	48	6	Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	43	48	9
Dec 8-13, 2015	46	49	4	Aug 17-21, 2011	43	49	7
Sep 22-27, 2015	46	48	5	Jul 20-24, 2011	44	48	8
Jul 14-20, 2015	48	45	7	Jun 15-19, 2011	46	45	8
May 12-18, 2015	46	48	6	May 25-30, 2011	52	39	10
Mar 25-29, 2015	46	47	7	May 5-8, 2011	50	39	11
Feb 18-22, 2015	48	46	5	May 2, 2011 (WP)	56	38	6
Jan 7-11, 2015	47	48	5	Mar 30-Apr 3, 2011	47	45	8
Dec 3-7, 2014 (U)	42	51	6	Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	51	39	10
Nov 6-9, 2014	43	52	5	Feb 2-7, 2011	49	42	9
Oct 15-20, 2014	43	51	6	Jan 5-9, 2011	46	44	10
Sep 2-9, 2014	42	50	8	Dec 1-5, 2010	45	43	13
Aug 20-24, 2014 (U)	42	50	8	Nov 4-7, 2010	44	44	12
Jul 8-14, 2014	44	49	6	Oct 13-18, 2010	46	45	9
Apr 23-27, 2014 (U)	44	50	7	Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	47	44	9
Feb 27-Mar 16, 2014	44	49	7	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	47	41	12
Feb 14-23, 2014	44	48	8	Jun 8-28, 2010	48	41	11
Jan 15-19, 2014 (U)	43	49	8	Jan 16-20, 2010	48	43	9
Dec 3-8, 2013 (U)	45	49	6	May 6-9, 2010	47	42	11
Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013	41	53	6	Apr 21-26, 2010	47	42	11
Oct 9-13, 2013	43	51	6	Apr 8-11, 2010	48	43	9
Sep 4-8, 2013 (U)	44	49	8	Mar 10-14, 2010	46	43	12
Jul 17-21, 2013	46	46	7	Feb 3-9, 2010	49	39	12
Jun 12-16, 2013	49	43	7	Jan 6-10, 2010	49	42	10
May 1-5, 2013	51	43	6	Dec 9-13, 2009	49	40	11
Mar 13-17, 2013	47	46	8	Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	51	36	13
Feb 13-18, 2013 (U)	51	41	7	Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009	52	36	12
Jan 9-13, 2013	52	40	7	Sep 10-15, 2009	55	33	13
Dec 5-9, 2012	55	39	6	Aug 20-27, 2009	52	37	12
Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	50	43	7	Aug 11-17, 2009	51	37	11
Jun 7-17, 2012	47	45	8	Jul 22-26, 2009	54	34	12
May 9-Jun 3, 2012	46	42	11	Jun 10-14, 2009	61	30	9
Apr 4-15, 2012	46	45	9	Apr 14-21, 2009	63	26	11
Mar 7-11, 2012	50	41	9	Mar 31-Apr 6, 2009	61	26	13
Feb 8-12, 2012	47	43	10	Mar 9-12, 2009	59	26	15
Jan 11-16, 2012	44	48	8	Feb 4-8, 2009	64	17	19

**See past presidents' approval trends:** [George W. Bush](#), [Bill Clinton](#)

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

Q.2 All in all, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way things are going in this country today?

	Satis- fied	Dis- satisfied	(VOL.) DK/Ref		Satis- fied	Dis- satisfied	(VOL.) DK/Ref
Apr 12-19, 2016	26	70	3	Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	25	67	7
Mar 17-26, 2016	31	65	4	Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009	25	67	7
Jan 7-14, 2016	25	70	5	Sep 10-15, 2009 <sup>1</sup>	30	64	7
Dec 8-13, 2015	25	72	3	Aug 20-27, 2009	28	65	7
Aug 27-Oct 4, 2015	27	67	5	Aug 11-17, 2009	28	65	7
Sep 22-27, 2015	27	69	4	Jul 22-26, 2009	28	66	6
Jul 14-20, 2015	31	64	4	Jun 10-14, 2009	30	64	5
May 12-18, 2015	29	67	4	Apr 28-May 12, 2009	34	58	8
Mar 25-29, 2015	31	64	5	Apr 14-21, 2009	23	70	7
Feb 18-22, 2015	33	62	5	Jan 7-11, 2009	20	73	7
Jan 7-11, 2015	31	66	4	December, 2008	13	83	4
Dec 3-7, 2014 (U)	26	71	3	Early October, 2008	11	86	3
Nov 6-9, 2014	27	68	4	Mid-September, 2008	25	69	6
Oct 15-20, 2014	29	65	6	August, 2008	21	74	5
Sep 2-9, 2014	25	71	4	July, 2008	19	74	7
Aug 20-24, 2014	24	72	4	June, 2008	19	76	5
Jul 8-14, 2014	29	68	4	Late May, 2008	18	76	6
Apr 23-27, 2014	29	65	6	March, 2008	22	72	6
Feb 12-26, 2014	28	66	6	Early February, 2008	24	70	6
Jan 15-19, 2014	26	69	5	Late December, 2007	27	66	7
Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013	21	75	3	October, 2007	28	66	6
Oct 9-13, 2013	14	81	5	February, 2007	30	61	9
Jul 17-21, 2013	27	67	6	Mid-January, 2007	32	61	7
May 1-5, 2013	30	65	5	Early January, 2007	30	63	7
Feb 13-18, 2013 (U)	31	64	5	December, 2006	28	65	7
Jan 9-13, 2013	30	66	4	Mid-November, 2006	28	64	8
Dec 17-19, 2012	25	68	7	Early October, 2006	30	63	7
Dec 5-9, 2012	33	62	5	July, 2006	30	65	5
Oct 18-21, 2012	32	61	8	May, 2006*	29	65	6
Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	31	64	5	March, 2006	32	63	5
Jun 7-17, 2012	28	68	5	January, 2006	34	61	5
May 9-Jun 3, 2012	29	64	7	Late November, 2005	34	59	7
Apr 4-15, 2012	24	69	6	Early October, 2005	29	65	6
Feb 8-12, 2012	28	66	6	July, 2005	35	58	7
Jan 11-16, 2012	21	75	4	Late May, 2005*	39	57	4
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	17	78	5	February, 2005	38	56	6
Aug 17-21, 2011	17	79	4	January, 2005	40	54	6
Jul 20-24, 2011	17	79	4	December, 2004	39	54	7
Jun 15-19, 2011	23	73	4	Mid-October, 2004	36	58	6
May 5-8, 2011	30	62	8	July, 2004	38	55	7
May 2, 2011	32	60	8	May, 2004	33	61	6
Mar 8-14, 2011	22	73	5	Late February, 2004*	39	55	6
Feb 2-7, 2011	26	68	5	Early January, 2004	45	48	7
Jan 5-9, 2011	23	71	6	December, 2003	44	47	9
Dec 1-5, 2010	21	72	7	October, 2003	38	56	6
Nov 4-7, 2010	23	69	8	August, 2003	40	53	7
Sep 23-26, 2010	30	63	7	April 8, 2003	50	41	9
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	25	71	5	January, 2003	44	50	6
Jun 24-27, 2010	27	64	9	November, 2002	41	48	11
May 13-16, 2010	28	64	7	September, 2002	41	55	4
Apr 21-26, 2010	29	66	5	Late August, 2002	47	44	9
Apr 1-5, 2010	31	63	6	May, 2002	44	44	12
Mar 11-21, 2010	25	69	5				
Mar 10-14, 2010	23	71	7				
Feb 3-9, 2010	23	71	6				
Jan 6-10, 2010	27	69	4				

<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.2 CONTINUED...**

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

**NO QUESTIONS 3-5****ASK ALL:**

Thinking about some issues ...

Q.6 Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling **[INSERT ITEM, RANDOMIZE]**? How about **[NEXT ITEM]**? **[REPEAT INTRODUCTION AS NECESSARY]**

		Approve	Disapprove	(VOL.) DK/Ref
<b>ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=1,000]:</b>				
a.F1	The threat of terrorism			
	Apr 12-19, 2016	44	51	5
	Dec 8-13, 2015	37	57	6
	May 12-18, 2015	47	46	6
	Dec 3-7, 2014	45	49	6
	Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013	51	44	5
	Jun 12-16, 2013	56	35	9
	Jan 11-16, 2012	65	28	7
	Aug 17-21, 2011	56	33	12
	May 2, 2011	69	21	10
	Jan 6-9, 2011	55	33	12
	May 6-9, 2010 <sup>2</sup>	49	37	13
	Jan 6-10, 2010	51	39	10
	Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	52	34	14
	April 14-21, 2009	57	26	17
	February 4-8, 2009	50	21	29
b.F1	Global climate change			
	Apr 12-19, 2016	47	41	12
	Dec 8-13, 2015	45	40	15
	Jul 14-20, 2015	41	39	20
	Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013	38	46	17
	Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	44	32	24

<sup>2</sup> In May 6-9, 2010, Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009, April, 2007 and earlier, the item was worded "terrorist threats."

**Q.6 CONTINUED...**

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>(VOL.) DK/Ref</u>
c.F1 Dealing with Iran			
Apr 12-19, 2016	37	52	11
May 12-18, 2015	36	50	15
Dec 3-8, 2013 (U)	39	44	17
Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013	37	53	10
Jun 12-16, 2013	45	41	13
Mar 7-11, 2012	47	40	14
Jan 11-16, 2012	48	41	11
Jan 6-9, 2011	42	39	19
Apr 21-26, 2010	38	43	19
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	43	40	17

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=1,008]:**

d.F2 The economy			
Apr 12-19, 2016	45	51	4
Dec 8-13, 2015	43	51	5
Jul 14-20, 2015	45	51	4
May 12-18, 2015	43	52	4
Dec 3-7, 2014	45	51	4
Aug 20-24, 2014 (U)	39	55	6
Jul 8-14, 2014	40	56	4
Dec 3-8, 2013 (U)	42	53	5
Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013	31	65	3
Sep 4-8, 2013 (U)	43	52	5
Jun 12-16, 2013	44	50	5
Feb 13-18, 2013 (U)	40	56	4
Mar 7-11, 2012	43	53	4
Jan 11-16, 2012	38	59	4
Nov 9-14, 2011	35	58	6
Aug 17-21, 2011	34	60	6
May 2, 2011	40	55	4
Mar 30-Apr 3, 2011	39	56	6
Jan 6-9, 2011	42	51	7
Jun 16-20, 2010	43	51	5
May 6-9, 2010	41	51	8
Apr 21-26, 2010	38	54	8
Mar 10-14, 2010	41	52	7
Jan 6-10, 2010	42	51	7
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	42	52	5
Jul 22-26, 2009	38	53	9
Jun 10-14, 2009	52	40	8
Apr 14-21, 2009	60	33	7
Feb 4-8, 2009	56	24	20
e.F2 The nation's foreign policy			
Apr 12-19, 2016	40	53	7
Jul 14-20, 2015	38	52	10
May 12-18, 2015	37	53	10
Dec 3-7, 2014	37	54	9
Jul 8-14, 2014	36	55	9
Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013	34	56	10
Sep 4-8, 2013 (U)	33	57	11
Jan 11-16, 2012	46	45	10
Nov 9-14, 2011	46	40	13
Jun 16-20, 2010	45	40	15
Mar 10-14, 2010	42	40	18
Jan 6-10, 2010	44	40	16
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	44	38	18

**Q.6 CONTINUED...**

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>(VOL.) DK/Ref</u>
July 22-26, 2009	47	32	21
June 10-14, 2009	57	31	12
April 14-21, 2009	61	22	17
Feb 4-8, 2009	52	17	31
f.F2 The nation's immigration policy			
Apr 12-19, 2016	38	55	7
Dec 8-13, 2015	37	56	7
May 12-18, 2015	37	56	7
Dec 3-7, 2014	38	56	6
Aug 20-24, 2014 (U)	31	61	7
Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013	32	60	7
Jun 12-16, 2013	43	47	11
Feb 13-18, 2013 (U)	44	43	13
Nov 9-14, 2011	32	49	20
Jan 6-9, 2011	35	50	16
Jun 16-20, 2010	33	54	12
May 6-9, 2010	25	54	21
Apr 21-26, 2010	29	47	24
Jan 6-10, 2010	30	50	21
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	31	48	21

**ASK ALL:**

Q.7 When it comes to U.S. foreign policy, is the Obama administration taking into account the interests of other countries **[READ]**?

Apr 12-19

2016

41	Too much
18	Too little
36	About the right amount
5	Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>

**NO QUESTIONS 8-9, 12-15****QUESTION 10 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED****QUESTION 11 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**

**ASK ALL:**

THOUGHT

How much thought have you given to the coming presidential election . . . Quite a lot or only a little?

**BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1,579]:**

	Quite a lot	(VOL.) Some	Only a little	(VOL.) None	(VOL.) DK/Ref
<b>2016 Election</b>					
Apr 12-19, 2016	79	4	14	1	1
Mar 17-26, 2016	85	3	12	1	*
<b>2012 Election</b>					
Oct 31-Nov 3, 2012	81	2	14	2	1
Oct 24-28, 2012	78	3	15	3	1
Oct 4-7, 2012	73	3	21	2	1
Sep 12-16, 2012	70	4	23	2	1
Jul 16-26, 2012	61	5	28	6	1
Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	65	3	29	3	*
Jun 7-17, 2012	67	1	30	2	1
May 9-Jun 3, 2012	61	2	33	3	1
Apr 4-15, 2012	64	2	30	4	1
Mar 7-11, 2012	66	2	30	1	1
<b>2008 Election</b>					
November, 2008	81	3	13	2	1
Late October, 2008	81	3	13	2	1
Mid-October, 2008	81	3	13	3	*
Early October, 2008	81	2	14	2	1
Late September, 2008	80	3	14	2	1
Mid-September, 2008	78	4	14	3	1
August, 2008	74	6	17	2	1
July, 2008	74	2	20	3	1
June, 2008	72	2	23	2	1
Late May, 2008	75	4	17	3	1
April, 2008	77	7	13	2	1
March, 2008	78	3	15	3	1
Late February, 2008	74	3	19	2	2
<b>2004 Election</b>					
November, 2004	82	3	12	2	1
Mid-October, 2004	76	5	15	3	1
Early October, 2004	74	4	19	2	1
September, 2004	71	3	22	3	1
August, 2004	69	2	26	2	1
July, 2004	67	2	28	2	1
June, 2004	58	3	36	2	1
May, 2004	59	6	30	4	1
Late March, 2004	60	4	31	4	1
Mid-March, 2004	65	2	31	2	*
<b>2000 Election</b>					
November, 2000	72	6	19	2	1
Late October, 2000	66	6	24	4	*
Mid-October, 2000	67	9	19	4	1
Early October, 2000	60	8	27	4	1
September, 2000	59	8	29	3	1
July, 2000	46	6	45	3	*
June, 2000	46	6	43	5	*
May, 2000	48	4	42	5	1
April, 2000	45	7	41	7	*
<b>1996 Election</b>					
November, 1996	67	8	22	3	*
October, 1996	65	7	26	1	1
Late September, 1996	61	7	29	2	1

**THOUGHT CONTINUED...**

	Quite a lot	(VOL.) Some	Only a little	(VOL.) None	(VOL.) DK/Ref
Early September, 1996	56	3	36	4	1
July, 1996	55	3	41	1	*
June, 1996	50	5	41	3	1
<b>1992 Election</b>					
Early October, 1992	77	5	16	1	1
September, 1992	69	3	26	1	1
August, 1992	72	4	23	1	*
June, 1992	63	6	29	1	1
<b>1988 Election</b>					
<i>Gallup</i> : November, 1988	73	8	17	2	0
<i>Gallup</i> : October, 1988	69	9	20	2	0
<i>Gallup</i> : September, 1988	57	18	23	2	0
<i>Gallup</i> : August, 1988	61	10	27	2	0

**RANDOMIZE Q.16 AND Q.17****ASK ALL:**

Q.16 As I name some Republican candidates for president in 2016, please tell me which one, if any, you would most like to see nominated as the Republican Party's candidate? **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**  
**[PROBE IF NECESSARY: As of today, who would you say you LEAN toward?]**

**BASED ON REPUBLICAN/REPUBLICAN-LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=740]:**

Apr 12-19		Mar 17-26
<u>2016</u>		<u>2016</u>
44	Donald Trump	41
25	Ted Cruz	32
20	John Kasich	20
1	Other (VOL.)	*
7	None (VOL.)	4
2	Too early to tell (VOL.)	1
2	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	1

**RANDOMIZE Q.16 AND Q.17****ASK ALL:**

Q.17 As I name some Democratic candidates for president in 2016, please tell me which one, if any, you would most like to see nominated as the Democratic Party's candidate? **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**  
**[PROBE IF NECESSARY: As of today, who would you say you LEAN toward?]**

**BASED ON DEMOCRATIC/DEMOCRATIC-LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=738]:**

Apr 12-19		Mar 17-26
<u>2016</u>		<u>2016</u>
54	Hillary Clinton	49
42	Bernie Sanders	43
*	Other (VOL.)	*
2	None (VOL.)	4
1	Too early to tell (VOL.)	2
1	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	2

**NO QUESTIONS 18-20**

**ASK ALL:**

Next,

Q.21 Which is more important for the next president to focus on... domestic policy or foreign policy?

	Domestic <u>policy</u>	Foreign <u>policy</u>	(VOL.) <u>Neither</u>	(VOL.) <u>Both</u>	(VOL.) DK/ <u>Refused</u>
Apr 12-19, 2016	70	17	1	11	1
September, 2008	60	21	*	15	4
May, 2008	61	22	*	13	4

**TREND FOR COMPARISON:**

Right now, which is more important for President \_\_\_\_\_ to focus on... domestic policy or foreign policy?

	Domestic <u>policy</u>	Foreign <u>policy</u>	(VOL.) <u>Neither</u>	(VOL.) <u>Both</u>	(VOL.) DK/ <u>Refused</u>
<b>Obama</b>					
May 12-18, 2015	66	19	1	10	4
Jan 7-11, 2015	67	20	2	8	3
Apr 23-27, 2014 <sup>3</sup> (U)	72	13	1	9	5
Jan 15-19, 2014	78	9	1	8	4
Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013	82	8	1	6	3
Jan 9-13, 2013	83	6	1	7	4
Jan 11-16, 2012	81	9	1	5	4
May 25-30, 2011	77	9	1	9	5
Jan 5-9, 2011	78	11	1	7	3
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	73	12	1	10	3
January 7-11, 2009 <sup>4</sup>	71	11	*	14	4
<b>Bush</b>					
January, 2008	56	31	1	8	4
January, 2007	39	40	1	15	5
August, 2006	50	32	1	12	5
January, 2006	57	25	1	13	4
October, 2005	64	20	1	12	3
Early January, 2005	53	27	1	16	3
January, 2002	52	34	*	11	3
<b>Clinton</b>					
Early September, 1998	56	30	0	11	3
January, 1997	86	7	*	5	2
December, 1994	85	7	2	4	2
October, 1993	76	13	*	7	4

**NO QUESTIONS 22-24**

<sup>3</sup> The April 23-27, 2014 survey randomized response options by form.

<sup>4</sup> January 7-11, 2009 survey asked about "president-elect Obama."

**ASK ALL:**

Q.25 Do you think the United States plays a more important and powerful role as a world leader today compared to 10 years ago, a less important role, or about as important a role as a world leader as it did 10 years ago?

	More <u>important</u>	Less <u>important</u>	As <u>important</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
Apr 12-19, 2016	21	46	31	3
Aug 20-24, 2014 (U)	15	48	34	2
Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013	17	53	27	3
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	25	41	30	4
July, 2004	45	20	31	4
Early September, 2001	33	26	38	3
September, 1997	35	23	40	2
December, 1994	40	27	29	4
October, 1993	37	26	33	4
September, 1993	37	30	31	2
Chicago CFR: November, 1990 <sup>5</sup>	37	35	24	4
Chicago CFR: November, 1986	41	26	29	4
Chicago CFR: November, 1982	27	25	44	5
Chicago CFR: November, 1978	29	41	24	6
Chicago CFR: December, 1974	28	39	27	6

**ASK ALL:**

Q.26 What kind of leadership role should the United States play in the world? Should it be the SINGLE world leader, or should it play a SHARED leadership role, or should it not play any leadership role?

**IF "SHARED LEADERSHIP ROLE" IN Q.26 (Q.26=2), ASK:**

Q.27 Should the United States be the most active of the leading nations, or should it be about as active as other leading nations?

	Single <u>leader</u>	Shared <u>leadership</u>	----- If shared leadership -----		<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>	No <u>leadership</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
			<u>Most</u> <u>active</u>	<u>About</u> <u>as active</u>			
Apr 12-19, 2016	15	73	23	48	1	9	3
Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013	12	72	20	51	1	12	4
May, 2012 <sup>6</sup> (C)	9	74	25	46	3	11	5
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	14	70	19	48	2	11	6
Late October, 2005	12	74	25	47	2	10	4
July, 2004	11	74	27	44	3	9	6
June, 2003	13	76	30	44	2	7	4
Mid October, 2001	12	79	33	45	1	3	6
Early September, 2001	13	75	25	49	1	8	4
September, 1997	12	73	22	50	1	11	4
June, 1995	13	74	25	47	2	9	4
October, 1993	9	78	23	53	2	9	4
September, 1993	10	81	27	52	2	7	2

<sup>5</sup> Surveys conducted December 1974 through November 1990 by the Chicago Council on Foreign Relations.

<sup>6</sup> In May 2012, the version of Q.27 asked read "Should the United States be the most assertive of the leading nations, or should it be about as assertive as other leading nations?"

**ASK ALL:**

Q.28 In the future, should U.S. policies try to keep it so America is the only military superpower, OR would it be acceptable if another country became as militarily powerful as the U.S.?

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55 U.S. policies should keep U.S. as the only superpower  
 36 OK if another country became as powerful  
 9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**TREND FOR COMPARISON:**

*In the future, should U.S. policies try to keep it so America is the only military superpower, OR would it be acceptable if China, another country or the European Union became as militarily powerful as the U.S.?*

	U.S. policies should keep U.S. as <u>the only superpower</u>	OK if China, another country, or the EU became <u>as powerful</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>Don't know/Refused</u>
Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013	56	32	11
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	57	29	14
Late October, 2005	50	35	15

**ASK ALL:**

Q.29 In terms of solving world problems, does the United States do too much, too little, or the right amount in helping solve world problems?

		(U) Aug 20-24 <u>2014</u>	Oct 30-Nov 6 <u>2013</u>	(GA) Summer <u>2002</u>
Apr 12-19 <u>2016</u>				
41	Does too much	39	51	47
27	Does too little	31	17	17
28	Does right amount	24	28	31
1	United States does nothing <b>(VOL.)</b>	*	1	*
3	Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>	5	3	5

**ASK ALL:**

Q.30 The United States has had strong political, economic and military ties with the nations of **[INSERT, RANDOMIZE]** on the one hand and the nations of **[NEXT ITEM]** on the other hand. Which area do you think is most important to the United States **[READ IN ORDER OF ABOVE]**

		Oct 30- Nov 6 <u>2013</u>	Jan 5-9 <u>2011</u>	Sep <u>2001</u> <sup>7</sup>	Sep <u>1997</u>	Sep <u>1993</u>
Apr 12-19 <u>2016</u>						
52	Europe	50	37	44	49	50
32	Asia	35	47	34	31	31
10	Equally important <b>(VOL.)</b>	7	7	9	6	8
6	Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>	8	9	13	14	10

<sup>7</sup>

In Sept. 2001 and before the question read "...with the nations of Europe on the one hand, and with Japan and the Pacific rim nations of Asia, on the other hand," and the answer choices were not randomized. In Sept. 1993 Europe was described as "... friendly nations of Europe."

**ASK ALL:**Q.31 Which statement comes closer to your view? **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**

		(GA) March <u>2015</u>	(GA) Spring <u>2011</u>	(GA) Spring <u>2010</u>
Apr 12-19 <u>2016</u>				
57	The U.S. should deal with its own problems and let other countries deal with their own problems as best they can [OR]	50	52	46
37	The U.S. should help other countries deal with their problems	39	39	45
3	Neither/Both <b>(VOL.)</b>	8	5	5
2	Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>	3	4	3

**NO QUESTIONS 32-33****ASK ALL:**

Q.34 Now, I'd like your opinion about some possible international concerns for the U.S. Do you think that **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]** is a major threat, a minor threat or not a threat to the well being of the United States? What about **[INSERT ITEM]**? **[AS NECESSARY READ THE ANSWER CHOICES AFTER THE FIRST TIME AND READ: "... to the well being of the United States?"]**

		Major threat	Minor threat	Not a threat	<b>(VOL.)</b> DK/Ref
a.	China's emergence as a world power				
	Apr 12-19, 2016	50	34	12	3
	Dec 8-13, 2015	49	34	13	4
	Aug 20-24, 2014 (U)	48	33	14	5
	Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013	54	31	11	4
	May, 2012 (C)	52	35	9	5
	Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	53	30	10	7
	Jun 10-14, 2009	52	31	11	6
	Jan 7-11, 2009	46	36	13	5
	September, 2008	48	35	11	6
	Late May, 2008	50	31	10	9
	February, 2006	47	34	12	7
	Late October, 2005	52	31	10	7
	May, 2001	51	30	10	9
	July, 1999	53	33	10	4
b.	Tensions with Russia				
	Apr 12-19, 2016	42	45	9	4
	<b>TRENDS FOR COMPARISON:</b>				
	<i>Growing authoritarianism in Russia</i>				
	Dec 8-13, 2015	42	40	9	8
	Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013	32	41	13	14
	Late May, 2008	24	46	12	18
	February, 2006	22	45	16	17
	Late October, 2005	23	44	13	20
	<i>Growing tension between Russia and its neighbors</i>				
	Aug 20-24, 2014 (U)	53	35	8	5
	Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	38	44	9	9
	Jan 7-11, 2009	37	48	8	7
	September, 2008	44	41	10	5
	<i>Political and economic instability in Russia</i>				
	May, 2001	27	46	12	15
	July, 1999	40	42	14	4
c.	Global climate change				
	Apr 12-19, 2016	53	30	15	3
	Dec 8-13, 2015	49	30	17	4
	Aug 20-24, 2014 (U)	48	30	20	3
	Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013	45	30	20	4

**Q.34 CONTINUED...**

	Major threat	Minor threat	Not a threat	(VOL.) DK/Ref
May, 2012 (C)	45	32	19	3
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	44	36	15	5
<b>TREND FOR COMPARISON:</b>				
<i>Global environmental problems</i>				
May, 2001	53	32	6	9
d. The Islamic militant group in Iraq and Syria, known as ISIS				
Apr 12-19, 2016	80	16	3	2
Dec 8-13, 2015	83	13	3	2
Aug 20-24, 2014 (U)	67	21	5	6
<b>TREND FOR COMPARISON:</b>				
<i>Islamic extremist groups like al Qaeda</i>				
Aug 20-24, 2014 (U)	71	19	6	3
Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013	75	18	4	3
May, 2012 (C)	70	21	4	5
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	76	18	2	3
June 10-14, 2009	78	14	4	4
January 7-11, 2009	77	15	4	4
September, 2008	72	21	3	4
Late May, 2008	72	18	4	6
e. Cyberattacks from other countries				
Apr 12-19, 2016	72	22	3	3
Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013	70	23	4	4
f. A large number of refugees leaving countries such as Iraq and Syria				
Apr 12-19, 2016	55	28	15	2
g. Global economic instability				
Apr 12-19, 2016	67	25	6	3
h. The rapid spread of infectious diseases from country to country				
Apr 12-19, 2016	60	34	5	1
Aug 20-24, 2014 (U)	52	40	6	2
May, 2001	66	26	3	5

**NO QUESTION 35****ASK ALL:**

Next,

Q.36 In general, how well do you think the U.S. government is doing in reducing the threat of terrorism?

**[READ]**

	Very well	Fairly well	Not too well	Not at all well	(VOL.) DK/Ref
Apr 12-19, 2016	13	40	27	18	2
Dec 8-13, 2015	9	36	27	25	2
Jan 7-11, 2015	22	50	17	9	2
Sep 2-9, 2014	17	39	22	19	2
Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013	26	47	18	8	2
Jul 17-21, 2013	20	47	21	9	3
Aug 17-21, 2011	27	49	16	6	2
Oct 13-18, 2010	15	54	17	10	4
Jan 6-10, 2010	15	50	21	12	2
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	20	53	14	8	4
Mar 31-Apr 21, 2009	19	56	15	5	5
Feb 4-8, 2009	22	49	16	6	7
Late February, 2008	21	45	19	12	3

**Q.36 CONTINUED...**

	Very <u>well</u>	Fairly <u>well</u>	Not <u>too well</u>	Not at <u>all well</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
January, 2007	17	37	27	17	2
December, 2006	17	48	21	11	3
August, 2006	22	52	16	8	2
February, 2006	16	52	20	10	2
January, 2006	16	50	20	9	5
Late October, 2005	17	50	22	9	2
July, 2005	17	53	19	8	3
July, 2004	18	53	17	8	4
August, 2003	19	56	16	7	2
Early November, 2002 (RVs)	15	54	19	8	4
June, 2002	16	60	16	4	4
Early November, 2001	35	46	9	5	5
October 15-21, 2001	38	46	9	4	3
October 10-14, 2001	48	40	6	2	4

**ASK ALL:**

Q.37 What concerns you more about the government's anti-terrorism policies? **[READ AND RANDOMIZE OPTIONS 1 AND 2]**

	They have gone too far in restricting the average <u>person's civil liberties</u>	They have not gone far enough to adequately <u>protect the country</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> Both/Neither/ Approve <u>of policies</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
Apr 12-19, 2016	35	50	11	4
Dec 8-13, 2015	28	56	11	5
Jan 7-11, 2015	37	49	8	6
Sep 2-9, 2014	35	50	9	6
Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013	44	39	9	7
Jul 17-21, 2013	47	35	11	7
Oct 13-18, 2010	32	47	11	10
Jan 6-10, 2010	27	58	8	8
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	36	40	13	11
Feb 4-8, 2009 <sup>8</sup>	36	42	9	13
Late February, 2008	36	47	9	8
August, 2006	26	55	11	8
February, 2006	33	50	10	7
January, 2006	33	46	12	9
Late October, 2005	34	48	10	8
July, 2005	31	52	10	7
July, 2004	29	49	11	11

**NO QUESTIONS 38-39**

<sup>8</sup> In February 4-8, 2009, the question asked whether the policies "go too far in restricting the average person's civil liberties" or "do not go far enough to adequately protect the country."

**ASK ALL:**

Next,

Q.40 Which statement comes closer to your view about U.S. involvement in the global economy – even if neither is exactly right? **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**

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- 44 It is a good thing because it provides the U.S. with new markets and opportunities for growth [OR]  
 49 It is a bad thing because it lowers wages and costs jobs in the U.S.  
 2 Neither **(VOL.)**  
 5 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.41 I'm going to read you a list of things that the U.S. might do in dealing with developing countries. As I read each one, please tell me if you would support or oppose it. **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]**. Would you support or oppose this? And what about **[INSERT NEXT ITEM]? [IF NECESSARY: Would you support or oppose [ITEM]?]**

		<u>Support</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>(VOL.)</u> <u>DK/Ref</u>
a.	Increasing foreign aid to developing countries Apr 12-19, 2016	48	50	2
b.	Importing more goods from developing countries Apr 12-19, 2016	52	45	3
c.	Increasing U.S. companies' investment in developing countries Apr 12-19, 2016	52	44	3

**ASK ALL:**

Q.42 Do you think that we should increase our spending on national defense, keep it about the same, or cut it back?

	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Keep same</u>	<u>Cut back</u>	<u>(VOL.)</u> <u>DK/Ref</u>
Apr 12-19, 2016	35	40	24	2
Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013	23	47	28	3
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	13	53	30	4
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	26	46	23	5
December, 2004	20	54	19	7
July, 2004	25	53	18	4
Mid-October, 2001	50	41	7	2
Early September, 2001	32	44	20	4
September, 2000 (RVs)	34	48	14	4
August, 1999	27	54	16	3
June, 1999	31	47	19	3
September, 1997	17	57	24	2
February, 1995 <sup>9</sup>	19	56	24	1
Chicago CFR: October, 1994	18	53	26	3
September, 1993	10	52	36	2
Chicago CFR: November, 1990	12	53	32	3
Chicago CFR: November, 1986	21	55	23	3
Chicago CFR: November, 1982	22	52	24	3
Chicago CFR: November, 1978	32	45	16	7
Chicago CFR: December, 1974	13	47	33	8

<sup>9</sup> In 1995 and previous years, the question was worded: "Do you think that we should expand our spending on national defense, keep it about the same or cut it back?"

**NO QUESTIONS 43-44****ASK ALL:**

Thinking about the political parties ...

Q.45 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]**

			(VOL.)	(VOL.)	(VOL.)	
	Republican Party	Democratic Party	Both equally	Neither	DK/Ref	
a.	Dealing with the economy					
	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>10</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.	Dealing with immigration					
	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

<sup>10</sup>

In May 2001 and earlier, the item was worded: "... keeping the country prosperous."

**Q.45 CONTINUED...**

	Republican Party	Democratic Party	(VOL.) Both equally	(VOL.) Neither	(VOL.) DK/Ref
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

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=1,000]:**

c.F1	Dealing with the terrorist threat at home					
	Apr 12-19, 2016	46	37	5	8	4
	Dec 8-13, 2015	46	34	4	9	7
	Jul 14-20, 2015	44	34	8	9	5
	Feb 18-22, 2015	51	31	10	5	3
	Oct 15-20, 2014	46	30	9	7	9
	Oct 13-18, 2010	38	26	13	9	14
	May 20-23, 2010	38	27	12	10	13
	Feb 3-9, 2010	46	29	10	5	10
	Aug 27-30, 2009	38	32	10	9	12
	February, 2008	45	38	6	4	7
	October, 2006	39	33	7	6	15
	September, 2006	41	32	7	6	14
	February, 2006	46	30	8	7	9
	Mid-September, 2005	45	34	7	6	8
	July, 2004	45	30	6	6	13
	Late October, 2002 (RVs)	44	27	11	6	12
	Early October, 2002 (RVs)	44	28	7	5	16
	Early September, 2002	44	22	14	6	14
	January, 2002	48	18	--	6	28
d.F1	Dealing with global climate change					
	Apr 12-19, 2016	30	51	4	10	5
	Dec 8-13, 2015	32	46	2	8	11

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=1,008]:**

e.F2	Making wise decisions about foreign policy					
	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

**Q.45 CONTINUED...**

	Republican <u>Party</u>	Democratic <u>Party</u>	(VOL.) <u>Both equally</u>	(VOL.) <u>Neither</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
July, 1994 <sup>11</sup>	51	31	4	6	8
December, 1993	49	23	--	10	18
May, 1990	39	28	--	17	16
f.F2 Dealing with trade agreements between the U.S and other countries Apr 12-19, 2016	48	37	3	5	6

**NO QUESTION 46****ASK ALL:**

Q.47 As you may know, NATO [**PRONOUNCED:** NAY-toe], or the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, is a military alliance between the U.S., Canada, and many European countries. All in all, would you say being a member of NATO is [**READ**]

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77 Good for the U.S. [OR]  
16 Bad for the U.S.  
7 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

**ASK ALL:**

Q.48 Would you say the NATO alliance is [**READ AND RANDOMIZE OPTIONS 1 AND 2; WITH OPTION 3 ALWAYS LAST; REVERSE ORDER FOR RANDOM HALF SAMPLE: OPTION 3 ALWAYS FIRST, FOLLOWED BY RANDOMIZED OPTIONS 1 AND 2**]

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15 More important to the U.S. [OR]  
37 More important to other NATO member countries [OR]  
41 About as important to the U.S. as other NATO member countries  
7 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

**NO QUESTIONS 49-51****ASK ALL:**

Next,

Q.52 In the dispute between Israel and the Palestinians, which side do you sympathize with more, Israel or the Palestinians?

	Israel	Palestinians	(VOL.) <u>Both</u>	(VOL.) <u>Neither</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
Apr 12-19, 2016	54	19	3	13	10
Jul 8-14, 2014	51	14	3	15	18
Apr 23-27, 2014	53	11	3	16	17
Mar 13-17, 2013	49	12	3	12	24
Dec 5-9, 2012	50	10	4	13	23
May 25-30, 2011	48	11	4	15	21
Apr 21-26, 2010	49	16	4	12	19
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	51	12	4	14	19
January 7-11, 2009	49	11	5	15	20
May, 2007	49	11	5	17	18
August, 2006	52	11	5	15	17
July, 2006	44	9	5	20	22
May, 2006	48	13	4	14	20

<sup>11</sup> In July 1994 and May 1990, the item was worded "Making wise decisions about the country's defense policies."

**Q.52 CONTINUED...**

	<u>Israel</u>	<u>Palestinians</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>Both</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>Neither</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
Late October, 2005	43	17	5	16	19
July, 2005	37	12	5	19	27
July, 2004	40	13	7	18	22
Late February, 2004	46	12	8	15	19
Mid-July, 2003	41	13	8	18	20
June, 2002	46	12	6	19	17
April, 2002	41	13	6	21	19
Mid-October, 2001	47	10	8	18	17
Early September, 2001	40	17	6	23	14
September, 1997	48	13	5	16	18
September, 1993	45	21	3	18	12
<i>Chicago CFR: 1990</i>	34	14	7	26	20
<i>Chicago CFR: 1982</i>	40	17	8	19	16
<i>Chicago CFR: 1978</i> <sup>12</sup>	45	14	9	18	15

**ASK ALL:**

Q.53 Do you think a way can be found for Israel and an independent Palestinian state to coexist peacefully with each other, or not?

Apr 12-19 <u>2016</u>		Aug 20-24 <u>2014</u>	Apr 23-27 <u>2014</u>	(GA) Spring <u>2013</u>
50	Yes	43	46	50
42	No	48	44	41
3	It depends <b>(VOL.)</b>	2	1	*
6	Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>	7	9	9

**QUESTIONS 54-58 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED****NO QUESTIONS 59-63**

<sup>12</sup> In the 1978 Chicago Council on Foreign Relations survey conducted by the Gallup Organization, results are based on respondents who said they had "heard or read about the situation in the Middle East," which represented 87% of the public. As a context note, in both the 1978 and 1982 CCFR/Gallup surveys, this question followed a broader question: "In the Middle East situation, are your sympathies more with Israel or more with the Arab nations?" and in 1982, a question regarding "U.S. military aid and arms sales to Israel."



**Q.64 CONTINUED...**

	It's not the government's job to protect people from <u>themselves</u>	Sometimes laws to protect people from themselves <u>are necessary</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> Both/Neither/ DK/Ref
d.			
Apr 12-19, 2016	35	61	4
Feb 27-Mar 16, 2014	34	62	4

**NO QUESTIONS 65-67****ASK ALL:**

Q.68 All things considered, which of these descriptions comes closest to your view of **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]** today... Do you think **[ITEM]** is **[READ IN ORDER]**? How about **[NEXT ITEM]**? **[IF NECESSARY: Do you think [ITEM] is READ IN ORDER]**

	<u>An adversary</u>	<u>A serious problem but not an adversary</u>	<u>Not much of a problem</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> DK/Ref
a.				
China				
Apr 12-19, 2016	23	44	29	3
March 20-23, 2014	22	35	32	10
Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013	23	43	28	6
Jan 5-9, 2011	22	43	27	9
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	19	41	30	9
Mid-September, 2008	19	49	26	6
October, 2005	16	45	30	9
July, 2004	14	40	36	10
February, 2002	17	39	33	11
Early September, 2001	23	48	23	6
May, 2001	19	51	22	8
March, 2000	17	44	26	13
June, 1999	18	53	22	7
March, 1999	20	48	25	7
September, 1997	14	46	32	8
b.				
Russia				
Apr 12-19, 2016	23	44	30	4
July 24-27, 2014	26	49	15	9
March 20-23, 2014	26	43	22	10
Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013	18	36	40	6
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	15	32	42	11
Mid-September, 2008	18	48	28	6

**NO QUESTIONS 69-72****ASK ALL:**

Q.73 Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the U.S. military campaign against Islamic militants in Iraq and Syria?

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> DK/Ref
Apr 12-19, 2016	62	33	6
Dec 8-13, 2015	64	28	8
Jul 14-20, 2015	63	26	11
Feb 18-22, 2015	63	30	7
Oct 15-20, 2014	57	33	10

**TRENDS FOR COMPARISON:**

Sep 11-14, 2014 <sup>15</sup>	53	29	19
Aug 14-17, 2014 <sup>16</sup> (U)	54	31	15

<sup>15</sup> In the September 11-14, 2014 survey, respondents were asked: "As you may know, Barack Obama has announced a plan for a military campaign against Islamic militants in Iraq and Syria, involving U.S. airstrikes and U.S. military training for opposition groups. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of this plan?"

<sup>16</sup> In the August 14-17, 2014 survey, respondents were asked: "Do you approve or disapprove of the U.S. airstrikes against militants in Iraq in response to violence against civilians?"

**ASK ALL:**

Q.74 How well do you think the U.S. military campaign against Islamic militants in Iraq and Syria is going [READ IN ORDER]?

Apr 12-19 <u>2016</u>		Dec 8-13 <u>2015</u> <sup>17</sup>	Jul 14-20 <u>2015</u>	Feb 18-22 <u>2015</u>	Oct 15-20 <u>2014</u>
7	Very well	7	7	7	5
30	Fairly well	28	23	30	29
40	Not too well	39	42	38	38
18	Not at all well	19	20	20	21
4	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	7	8	5	8

**ASK ALL:**

Q.75 What concerns you more about the U.S. military action in Iraq and Syria [READ AND RANDOMIZE OPTIONS 1 AND 2]?

	That the US will go too far in getting involved <u>in the situation</u>	That the US will not go far enough in stopping the <u>Islamic militants</u>	(VOL.) <u>Both</u>	(VOL.) <u>Neither</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
Apr 12-19, 2016	43	50	3	1	3
Dec 8-13, 2015	42	50	2	2	4
Jul 14-20, 2015	43	48	1	2	6
Feb 18-22, 2015	46	49	1	1	4
Oct 15-20, 2014	47	43	1	2	7
Sep 11-14, 2014	41	41	3	6	9

**TREND FOR COMPARISON:**

*What concerns you more  
about the U.S. military  
action in Iraq?*

Aug 14-17, 2014	51	32	2	5	9
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**ASK ALL:**

Q.76 Would you favor or oppose the U.S. sending ground troops to fight Islamic militants in Iraq and Syria?

Apr 12-19 <u>2016</u>		Dec 8-13 <u>2015</u>	Jul 14-20 <u>2015</u>	Feb 18-22 <u>2015</u>	Oct 15-20 <u>2014</u>
46	Favor	47	44	47	39
50	Oppose	47	49	49	55
5	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	6	7	4	6

**NO QUESTIONS 77-78****ASK ALL**

Q.79 Do you currently have a valid United States passport, or not?

Apr 12-19 <u>2016</u>		Jan 4-8 <u>2012</u>	Apr 7-10 <u>2011</u> <sup>18</sup>	CBS/NYT: <u>November</u> <u>2004</u>	CBS/NYT: <u>May</u> <u>1993</u>	CBS/NYT: <u>May</u> <u>1989</u>
49	Yes	45	42	36	20	23
50	No	54	57	64	79	77
1	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	1	*	-	1	1

<sup>17</sup> In Dec 8-13, 2015 and before, question read "How well is the U.S. military campaign against Islamic militants in Iraq and Syria going?"

<sup>18</sup> In April 2011 item was asked as part of a list. May 1993 survey asked whether respondents had a "valid passport."

**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?

	<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>	(VOL.) No preference	(VOL.) Other party	(VOL.) DK/Ref	Lean Rep	Lean Dem
Apr 12-19, 2016	25	32	37	3	1	2	16	17
Mar 17-26, 2016	25	31	38	3	*	2	15	20
Jan 7-14, 2016	24	30	38	5	1	2	14	17
Dec 8-13, 2015	26	31	37	4	*	2	16	15
Aug 27-Oct 4, 2015	24	29	41	4	*	2	17	17
Sep 22-27, 2015	26	30	40	2	*	2	15	16
Jul 14-20, 2015	22	32	41	4	*	1	15	19
May 12-18, 2015	24	32	38	3	1	2	15	18
<b>Yearly Totals</b>								
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
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	--	--	--	--	--

**Key to Pew Research trends noted in the topline:**

(U)	Pew Research Center/USA Today polls
(C)	Pew Research Global Attitudes/Carnegie Endowment for International Peace
(GA)	Pew Research Center Global Attitudes Project
(WP)	Pew Research Center/Washington Post polls

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**N=1,000**

**ASK ALL:**

PEW.1 As I read a list of some stories covered by news organizations this past week, please tell me if you happened to follow each news story very closely, fairly closely, not too closely, or not at all closely. First, **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE] [IF NECESSARY "Did you follow [ITEM] 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>
a. Reports about the condition of the U.S. economy					
April 7-10, 2016	27	33	19	21	1
September 3-7, 2015	24	30	20	25	1
August 20-23, 2015	25	27	27	20	2
April 30-May 3, 2015	20	28	25	26	1
March 5-8, 2015	24	31	16	29	1
February 5-8, 2015	24	32	19	23	2
January 22-25, 2015	26	30	18	24	2
January 8-11, 2015	24	35	17	24	1
December 4-7, 2014	28	31	20	19	1
November 6-9, 2014	31	35	21	12	2
October 16-19, 2014	26	33	22	18	1
September 25-28, 2014	25	33	22	19	1
July 31-August 3, 2014	27	29	23	21	1
June 5-8, 2014	26	28	20	24	1
March 20-23, 2014	30	34	18	17	2
March 6-9, 2014	27	31	19	22	1
February 27-March 2, 2014	27	32	16	24	1
February 6-9, 2014	28	29	20	22	1
January 30-February 2, 2014	29	31	17	23	*
January 9-12, 2014	28	29	19	23	1
January 2-5, 2014	29	31	17	22	1
<a href="http://www.people-press.org/files/2015/01/NII-Economy-trend.pdf">SEE TREND FOR PREVIOUS YEARS: http://www.people-press.org/files/2015/01/NII-Economy-trend.pdf</a>					
b. News about candidates for the 2016 presidential election					
April 7-10, 2016	38	31	15	15	*
September 3-7, 2015	27	32	21	19	1
August 20-23, 2015	27	27	23	22	1
April 30-May 3, 2015	16	25	23	34	1
<a href="http://www.people-press.org/files/2015/05/NII-Election-trend.pdf">SEE TRENDS FOR PREVIOUS YEARS: http://www.people-press.org/files/2015/05/NII-Election-trend.pdf</a>					
c. News about the Panama Papers, leaked documents that show how some high-profile people from around the world avoided paying taxes					
April 7-10, 2016	12	25	20	42	1
d. The debate involving law enforcement agencies and technology companies over the encryption of users' information in criminal investigations					
April 7-10, 2016	19	28	20	32	1

**ASK ALL:**

Now a few questions about America's place in the world...

PEW.2 Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with each of the following statements **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]**. How about **[NEXT ITEM]**? **[IF NECESSARY: Do you agree or disagree?]**

	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
a. The United States should cooperate fully with the United Nations			
April 7-10, 2016	60	33	7
October 31-November 3, 2013	56	34	10
May 26-29, 2011	58	36	6
November 12-15, 2009	51	38	11
December, 2006	57	35	8
October, 2005	54	39	7
August, 2004	60	30	10
December, 2002	67	28	5
Early September, 2001	58	31	11
March, 1999	65	26	9
September, 1997	59	30	11
June, 1995	62	30	8
February, 1995	65	29	6
October, 1993	64	28	8
April, 1993	71	22	7
Gallup: 1991 <sup>19</sup>	77	17	6
Gallup: 1985	56	35	9
Gallup: 1980	59	28	13
Gallup: 1976	47	40	13
Gallup: 1972	63	28	9
Gallup: 1968	72	21	7
Gallup: 1964	73	16	11
b. In deciding on its foreign policies, the U.S. should take into account the views of its major allies			
April 7-10, 2016	75	18	7
October 31-November 3, 2013	77	15	8
May 26-29, 2011	79	16	5
Nov 12-15, 2009	78	14	8
December, 2006	82	12	6
October, 2005	79	16	5
August, 2004	76	14	10
December, 2002	85	10	5
Early September, 2001	80	11	9
March, 1999	82	12	6
September, 1997	72	18	10
June, 1995	74	18	8
April, 1993	80	13	7
Gallup: 1991	86	10	4
Gallup: 1985	82	12	6
Gallup: 1980	79	13	8
Gallup: 1976	71	18	11
Gallup: 1972	80	12	8
Gallup: 1968	84	9	7
Gallup: 1964	81	8	11

<sup>19</sup> Trends for this series in 1991 and earlier are from public opinion surveys conducted by Potomac Associates, The Gallup Organization and the Institute for International Social Research.

**PEW.2 CONTINUED...**

	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
c. Since the U.S. is the most powerful nation in the world, we should go our own way in international matters, not worrying too much about whether other countries agree with us or not			
April 7-10, 2016	33	62	4
October 31-November 3, 2013	38	56	6
May 26-29, 2011	35	62	3
November 12-15, 2009	44	51	5
December, 2006	28	68	4
October, 2005	32	63	5
August, 2004	28	65	7
December, 2002	25	72	3
Early September, 2001	32	62	6
March, 1999	26	69	5
September, 1997	32	62	6
June, 1995	34	60	6
April, 1993	34	63	3
Gallup: 1991	29	66	5
Gallup: 1985	26	70	4
Gallup: 1980	26	66	8
Gallup: 1976	30	61	9
Gallup: 1972	22	72	6
Gallup: 1968	23	72	5
Gallup: 1964	19	71	10
d. The U.S. should mind its own business internationally and let other countries get along the best they can on their own			
April 7-10, 2016	43	50	7
October 31-November 3, 2013	52	38	10
May 26-29, 2011	46	50	4
November 12-15, 2009	49	44	7
December, 2006	42	53	5
October, 2005	42	51	7
August, 2004	34	59	7
December, 2002	30	65	5
Early September, 2001	37	55	8
March, 1999	35	57	8
September, 1997	39	54	7
June, 1995	41	51	8
April, 1993	37	58	5
Gallup: 1991	33	60	7
Gallup: 1985	34	59	7
Gallup: 1980	30	61	9
Gallup: 1976	43	47	10
Gallup: 1972	35	56	9
Gallup: 1968	27	66	7
Gallup: 1964	20	69	11
e. We should not think so much in international terms but concentrate more on our own national problems and building up our strength and prosperity here at home			
April 7-10, 2016	69	26	4
October 31-November 3, 2013	80	16	4
May 26-29, 2011	76	21	3
November 12-15, 2009	76	19	4
December, 2006	69	26	5
October, 2005	71	23	6

**PEW.2 CONTINUED...**

	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
August, 2004	69	25	6
December, 2002	65	31	4
Early September, 2001	68	25	7
March, 1999	68	27	5
September, 1997	72	24	4
June, 1995	78	18	4
April, 1993	79	18	3
Gallup: 1991	78	16	6
Gallup: 1985	60	34	6
Gallup: 1980	61	30	9
Gallup: 1976	73	22	5
Gallup: 1972	73	20	7
Gallup: 1968	60	31	9
Gallup: 1964	54	32	13

**ASK ALL:**

PEW.3 Compared with the past, would you say the U.S. is MORE respected by other countries these days, LESS respected by other countries, or AS respected as it has been in the past?

**ASK IF LESS RESPECTED (PEW.3=2):**

PEW.4 Do you think less respect for America is a major problem, a minor problem, or not a problem at all?

	<u>More</u> <u>respected</u>	<u>Less</u> <u>respected</u>	<u>Major</u> <u>problem</u>	<u>Minor</u> <u>problem</u>	<u>Not a</u> <u>problem</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/</u> <u>Ref</u>	<u>As</u> <u>respected</u> <u>as in past</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/</u> <u>Ref</u>
April 7-10, 2016	14	61	38	18	4	1	22	3
October 31-November 3, 2013	7	70	46	20	3	1	19	3
January 11-16, 2012	13	56	40	12	4	*	27	3
November 12-15, 2009	21	56	38	14	4	*	20	3
Mid-September, 2008 (RV)	5	70	48	19	2	1	22	3
May, 2008	7	71	56	11	3	1	18	4
August, 2006	7	65	48	14	2	1	23	5
Late October, 2005	9	66	43	18	4	1	21	4
July, 2004	10	67	43	19	4	1	20	3
May, 1987 <sup>20</sup>	19	55	--	--	--	--	23	3
Newsweek: January, 1984	27	36	--	--	--	--	29	8

**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?

	<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>No</u> <u>preference</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>Other</u> <u>party</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>	<u>Lean</u> <u>Rep</u>	<u>Lean</u> <u>Dem</u>
April 7-10, 2016	24	33	35	3	*	5	11	14

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In May 1987 the question asked, "Compared to five years ago, would you say the U.S. is more respected by other countries, less respected by other countries, or as respected as it was five years ago by other countries?" In January 1984, the Newsweek question asked, "Compared to four years ago..."

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		<b>Q10c. Please tell me if you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable or very unfavorable opinion of _____. c. the European Union</b>					
		<b>Very favorable</b>	<b>Somewhat favorable</b>	<b>Somewhat unfavorable</b>	<b>Very unfavorable</b>	<b>DK/Refused</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>United States</b>	<b>Spring, 2016</b>	11	42	18	9	20	100
	<b>Spring, 2014</b>	11	47	17	9	16	100
	<b>Spring, 2013</b>	10	40	19	7	24	100
	<b>Spring, 2012</b>	9	41	16	5	29	100
	<b>Spring, 2011</b>	15	40	16	6	23	100
	<b>Spring, 2010</b>	13	44	14	6	23	100
	<b>Spring, 2009</b>	14	42	15	8	22	100
	<b>Spring, 2007</b>	9	38	15	7	30	100
	<b>Spring, 2004</b>	7	32	17	9	35	100
	<b>Summer, 2002</b>	13	40	10	4	33	100

		<b>Q10d. Please tell me if you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable or very unfavorable opinion of _____. d. the United Nations</b>					
		<b>Very favorable</b>	<b>Somewhat favorable</b>	<b>Somewhat unfavorable</b>	<b>Very unfavorable</b>	<b>DK/Refused</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>United States</b>	<b>Spring, 2016</b>	19	45	18	11	7	100
	<b>Spring, 2013</b>	13	45	17	14	10	100
	<b>Spring, 2012</b>	16	42	17	12	13	100
	<b>Spring, 2011</b>	19	42	16	12	11	100
	<b>Spring, 2009</b>	18	43	16	13	10	100
	<b>Spring, 2007</b>	9	39	23	16	13	100
	<b>Spring, 2006</b>	15	36	19	19	11	100
	<b>Spring, 2004</b>	14	41	20	15	11	100

		<b>Q10e. Please tell me if you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable or very unfavorable opinion of _____. e. NATO, that is, North Atlantic Treaty Organization</b>					
		<b>Very favorable</b>	<b>Somewhat favorable</b>	<b>Somewhat unfavorable</b>	<b>Very unfavorable</b>	<b>DK/Refused</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>United States</b>	<b>Spring, 2016</b>	12	41	18	7	21	100
	<b>Spring, 2015</b>	9	40	20	11	20	100
	<b>Spring, 2013</b>	9	40	17	10	24	100
	<b>Spring, 2012</b>	12	39	15	7	26	100
	<b>Spring, 2011</b>	14	40	17	7	22	100
	<b>Spring, 2010</b>	13	41	15	6	25	100
	<b>Fall, 2009</b>	11	42	14	10	23	100

		<b>Q23USa. ASK SPLIT A ONLY: Today, which ONE of the following do you think is the world's leading economic power?</b>								
		<b>The United States</b>	<b>China</b>	<b>Japan</b>	<b>The countries of the European Union</b>	<b>Other (VOL)</b>	<b>None / There is no leading economic power (VOL)</b>	<b>DK/Refused</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>N=</b>
<b>United States</b>	<b>Spring, 2016</b>	54	34	6	2	0	1	3	100	492
	<b>Spring, 2015</b>	46	36	7	7	0	1	3	100	1003
	<b>Spring, 2014</b>	40	41	8	7	0	0	4	100	1002
	<b>November, 2013</b>	32	48	8	4	0	1	8	100	501
	<b>Spring, 2013</b>	39	44	7	4	0	1	6	100	1002
	<b>Spring, 2012</b>	40	41	6	5	0	1	7	100	1011
	<b>Spring, 2011</b>	38	43	6	6	0	0	6	100	1001
	<b>January, 2011</b>	36	45	8	5	1	0	4	100	515
	<b>Spring, 2010</b>	38	41	8	6	0	0	7	100	1002
	<b>Spring, 2009</b>	48	33	7	5	0	1	6	100	1000
	<b>Spring, 2008</b>	46	26	10	10	0	1	7	100	1000
<b>February, 2008</b>	41	30	10	9	1	0	10	100	1502	

		<b>Q23USb. ASK SPLIT B ONLY: Today, which ONE of the following do you think is the world's leading military power?</b>								
		<b>The United States</b>	<b>China</b>	<b>Russia</b>	<b>The countries of the European Union</b>	<b>Other (VOL)</b>	<b>None / There is no leading military power (VOL)</b>	<b>DK/Refused</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>N=</b>
<b>United States</b>	<b>Spring, 2016</b>	72	12	10	2	0	0	3	100	511
	<b>November, 2013</b>	64	19	5	3	2	1	7	100	501
	<b>January, 2011</b>	62	18	5	5	1	0	9	100	503