

**PEW RESEARCH CENTER
MARCH 2019 POLITICAL SURVEY
FINAL TOPLINE
MARCH 20-25, 2019
N=1,503**

QUESTIONS 1-2, 10, 14, 33-34, 47-49 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

NO QUESTIONS 3-9, 11-13, 15-18, 21-24, 26-32, 35-43, 45-46

QUESTIONS 19-20, 25, 44 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

ASK ALL:

Q.50 I'm going to read you some pairs of statements that will help us understand how you feel about a number of things. As I read each pair, tell me whether the FIRST statement or the SECOND statement comes closer to your own views — even if neither is exactly right. The first pair is **[READ AND RANDOMIZE PAIRS BUT NOT STATEMENTS WITHIN EACH PAIR, EXCEPT FOR ITEM d AND e WHICH SHOULD HAVE STATEMENTS RANDOMIZED WITHIN PAIR]. [IF NECESSARY: Next], [NEXT PAIR]. [IF NECESSARY: "Which statement comes closer to your views, even if neither is exactly right?"]**

QUESTIONS 50a, 50d-f HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

	In foreign policy, the U.S. should take into account the interests of its allies even if it means making <u>compromises with them</u>	In foreign policy, the U.S. should follow its OWN national interests even when its allies <u>strongly disagree</u>	(VOL.) Both/Neither/ DK/Ref	
b.				
	Mar 20-25, 2019	54	40	5
	Sep 18-24, 2018	55	38	7
	Jun 8-Jul 9, 2017	59	36	5
	Apr 12-19, 2016	51	42	7
	Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011 ¹	53	36	11
	December, 2004	53	37	10

	It's best for the future of our country to be active in <u>world affairs</u>	We should pay less attention to problems overseas and concentrate <u>on problems here at home</u>	(VOL.) Both/Neither/ DK/Ref	
c.				
	Mar 20-25, 2019	44	49	6
	Jun 8-Jul 9, 2017	47	47	6
	Jan 23-Mar 16, 2014	35	60	5
	Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	33	58	8
	December, 2004	44	49	7

NO QUESTIONS 51-53

QUESTIONS 54-55 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

¹ In Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011 and before, item was asked as part of a list with follow-up asking whether respondents felt strongly or not strongly about their position.

ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=752]:

Q.56F2 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**]

Mar 20-25 <u>2019</u>		Apr 12-19 <u>2016</u>
77	Good for the U.S. [OR]	77
15	Bad for the U.S	16
9	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	7

ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=752]:

Q.57F2 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**]

Mar 20-25 <u>2019</u>		Apr 12-19 <u>2016</u>
15	More important to the U.S. [OR]	15
34	More important to other NATO member countries [OR]	37
42	About as important to the U.S. as other NATO member countries	41
8	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	7

QUESTIONS 58, 60-61, 64-71 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**NO QUESTIONS 59, 62-63, 72-74****QUESTIONS 75-77 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED**

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?

	Republican	Democrat	Independent	(VOL.) No preference	(VOL.) Other party	(VOL.) DK/Ref	Lean Rep	Lean Dem
Mar 20-25, 2019	26	30	37	3	1	3	14	19
Jan 9-14, 2019	25	31	40	2	1	2	16	18
Sep 18-24, 2018	25	32	37	3	1	2	15	18
Jun 5-12, 2018	25	31	38	3	1	2	15	18
Apr 25-May 1, 2018	27	28	38	4	1	2	14	19
Mar 7-14, 2018	26	28	41	3	*	1	17	18
Jan 10-15, 2018	26	33	34	3	1	3	12	18
Yearly Totals								
2018	25.7	30.8	37.6	3.0	.8	2.0	14.7	18.3
2017	23.6	31.4	39.4	3.3	.6	1.7	15.8	18.7
2016	25.4	32.0	36.5	3.4	.5	2.2	14.6	17.0
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

PARTY/PARTYLN CONTINUED ...

	<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>	(VOL.) No preference	(VOL.) Other party	(VOL.) DK/Ref	Lean Rep	Lean Dem
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 <i>Post-Sept 11</i>	30.9	31.8	27.9	5.2	.6	3.6	11.7	9.4
2001 <i>Pre-Sept 11</i>	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	--	--	--	--	--

**PEW RESEARCH CENTER
JANUARY 2019 POLITICAL SURVEY
FINAL TOPLINE
JANUARY 9-14, 2019
N=1,505**

QUESTIONS 1-2, 3-4, 10, 17-18, 25, 29-30, 50-53, 55-63, 69-71 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

NO QUESTIONS 5-9, 11-16, 19-24, 26-28, 31-49, 54, 64-68, 72-82

ASK ALL:

Q.83 Which comes closer to your view — even if neither is exactly right. **[READ AND RANDOMIZE PAIRS BUT NOT STATEMENTS WITHIN EACH PAIR, EXCEPT FOR ITEM C WHICH SHOULD HAVE STATEMENTS RANDOMIZED WITHIN PAIR].** Next, **[NEXT PAIR]. [IF NECESSARY: "Which statement comes closer to your views, even if neither is exactly right?"]**

NO ITEM a

	U.S. efforts to solve problems around the world usually end up <u>making things worse</u>	Problems in the world would be even worse <u>without U.S. involvement</u>	(VOL.) Both/Neither/ <u>DK/Ref</u>
b.			
Jan 9-14, 2019	29	64	7
Nov 30-Dec 5, 2016	34	57	9
Mar 17-26, 2016	36	57	6
Dec 8-13, 2015	38	55	7
Jan 23-Mar 16, 2014	40	53	7

QUESTIONS 83c-e, 86-88, 90-92, 97-98 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

NO QUESTIONS 84-85, 89, 93-96