If not 2014 PEW RESEARCH CENTER’S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL

WAVE 7 SEPTEMBER
SEPTEMBER 9-OCTOBER 3, 2014

TOTAL N=2,424¹
WEB RESPONDENTS N=2,205
MAIL RESPONDENTS N=219²

**ASK ALL:**

**THOUGHT**
The congressional elections will be coming up later this year.
How much thought have you given to the coming November election?

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**ASK ALL:**

**PRECINCT**
Have you ever voted in your precinct or election district?

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**ASK ALL:**

Q.6 Would you say you follow what’s going on in government and public affairs ...

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ASK ALL:
OFTVOTE How often would you say you vote?

Sep 15-Oct 3
2014
45 Always
33 Nearly always
13 Part of the time
9 Seldom
0 No answer

ASK ALL:
[RANDOMIZE ORDER OF RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2]
CONG If the elections for the U.S. House of Representatives were being held TODAY, who would you vote for? Response options: Republican Party’s candidate; Democratic Party’s candidate; Another party’s candidate; Not sure

ASK IF ‘NOT SURE’ (CONG=4) OR NO RESPONSE TO CONG (CONG=99):
[RANDOMIZE ORDER OF RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, KEEPING THEM IN THE SAME ORDER AS CONG]

CONGA As of TODAY, who do you LEAN more towards for the U.S. House of Representatives? Response options: Lean to Republican Party’s candidate; Lean to Democratic Party’s candidate; Lean to another party’s candidate; Not sure

Sep 15-Oct 3
2014
38 Rep/Lean Rep
42 Dem/Lean Dem
6 Another/Lean to another
14 Not sure
0 No answer

ASK ALL:
PGENERAL How likely are you to vote in [the general election] [IF LOUISIANA: the election] this November?

Sep 15-Oct 3
2014
70 Definitely will vote
20 Probably will vote
7 Probably will not vote
2 Definitely will not vote
0 No answer

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3 Question wording on mail mode questionnaire asked CONG only as follows: “If the elections for U.S. Congress were being held TODAY, would you vote for [FORM1/FORM2: “the Republican Party’s candidate” OR “the Democratic Party’s candidate”] for Congress in your district?”
ASK ALL:
PVOTE12A In the 2012 presidential election between Barack Obama and Mitt Romney, did things come up that kept you from voting, or did you happen to vote?

Sep 15-Oct 3 2014
87 Voted
51 Obama
42 Romney
6 Other candidate
1 DK/Ref
12 Did not vote
1 Too young to vote
0 No answer

ASK ALL:
SCALE10 Please rate your chance of voting in November on a scale of 1 to 10.

Sep 15-Oct 3 2014
67 10 (Definitely will vote)
9 9
7 8
4 7
3 6
3 5
2 4
2 3
1 2
2 1 (Definitely will not vote)
0 No answer
ASK ALL:
V1. Did you happen to vote in the election this November, or did things come up that kept you from voting?
Nov 17-Dec 15 2014
75 I definitely voted in the election this November
25 I did not vote in this election
0 No answer

ASK ALL:
V2. Overall, would you say that you usually vote in elections or don’t usually vote in elections?
Nov 17-Dec 15 2014
89 I usually vote in elections
11 I do not usually vote in elections
0 No answer

ASK IF VOTED (V1=1):
POL5. In the elections this November for the U.S. House of Representatives, did you vote for [RANDOMIZE: “the Republican Party’s candidate” OR “the Democratic Party’s candidate”] for Congress in your district? Response options: Republican Party’s candidate; Democratic Party’s candidate; Another party’s candidate; Prefer not to say
Nov 17-Dec 15 2014
46 Republican Party’s candidate
44 Democratic Party’s candidate
4 Another party’s candidate
10 Not sure/Prefer not to say
1 No answer

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6 Question wording for POL5 in June through October was in two questions as follows “If the elections for the U.S. House of Representatives were being held TODAY, who would you vote for? Response options: Republican Party’s candidate; Democratic Party’s candidate; Another party’s candidate; Not sure” and a follow up for those who did not select a candidate “As of TODAY, who do you LEAN more towards for the U.S. House of Representatives? Response options: Lean to Republican Party’s candidate; Lean to Democratic Party’s candidate; Lean to another party’s candidate; Not sure” Question wording on mail mode questionnaire asked POL5 only as follows: “In the elections this November for the U.S. House of Representatives, did you vote for the Republican Party’s candidate OR the Democratic Party’s candidate for Congress in your district?”