

## Appendix B: Topline Questionnaire

**PEW RESEARCH CENTER  
FEBRUARY 2014 POLITICAL SURVEY  
FINAL TOPLINE  
February 14-23, 2014  
N=1,821**

**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]**

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

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

### NO QUESTIONS 2-3

**ASK ALL:**

Q.4 Does Barack Obama make you feel **[INSERT FIRST ITEM; RANDOMIZE]** or not? Does Obama make you feel **[NEXT ITEM]** or not?

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
a. Disappointed			
Feb 14-23, 2014	51	46	3
Sep 12-16, 2012 (RVs)	49	50	1
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	53	45	2
Mar 10-14, 2010	44	53	3
b. Optimistic			
Feb 14-23, 2014	38	57	5

## Q.4 CONTINUED...

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>(VOL.) DK/Ref</u>
c. Proud			
Feb 14-23, 2014	42	54	4
Nov 8-11, 2012 ( <i>Voters</i> )	53	45	2
Sep 12-16, 2012 ( <i>RVs</i> )	51	45	3
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	45	52	4
Mar 10-14, 2010	49	47	5
November, 2008 ( <i>Voters</i> )	65	32	3
March, 2008 <sup>1</sup> ( <i>RVs</i> )	42	53	5
d. Angry			
Feb 14-23, 2014	27	70	3
Nov 8-11, 2012 ( <i>Voters</i> )	21	78	1
Sep 12-16, 2012 ( <i>RVs</i> )	31	68	1
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	29	70	1
Mar 10-14, 2010	30	68	2
November, 2008 ( <i>Voters</i> )	9	91	*
March, 2008 ( <i>RVs</i> )	26	71	3

## NO QUESTIONS 5-9

## ASK ALL:

Q.10 Please tell me if you think each of the following trends is generally a good thing for American society, a bad thing for American society, or doesn't make much difference? (First/Next) **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE] [READ IF NECESSARY: Is this generally a good thing for American society, a bad thing for American society, or doesn't it make much difference?]**

	<u>Good thing for society</u>	<u>Bad thing for society</u>	<u>Doesn't make much difference</u>	<u>(VOL.) DK/Ref</u>
a. More children being raised by a single parent				
Feb 14-23, 2014	6	61	31	2
b. More gay and lesbian couples raising children				
Feb 14-23, 2014	25	33	38	4
April, 2013 ( <i>RPL</i> )	21	35	41	3
Mar 8-14, 2011	14	35	48	3
October, 2010 ( <i>SDT</i> ) <sup>2</sup>	12	43	41	4
January, 2010 ( <i>SDT</i> )	13	42	40	4
February, 2007 ( <i>SDT</i> )	11	50	34	5
c. More people of different races marrying each other				
Feb 14-23, 2014	37	9	51	2
April, 2013 ( <i>RPL</i> )	37	10	51	2
Mar 8-14, 2011	25	9	64	2
October, 2010 ( <i>SDT</i> )	25	14	60	2
January, 2010 ( <i>SDT</i> )	24	13	61	3
d. More young adults living with their parents				
Feb 14-23, 2014	20	42	36	2
e. More people continuing to work beyond age 65				
Feb 14-23, 2014	30	39	29	3
f. More people who are not religious				
Feb 14-23, 2014	11	45	42	3
April, 2013 ( <i>RPL</i> )	11	48	39	3

<sup>1</sup> In March 2008, the question read "Has Barack Obama ever made you feel [INSERT ITEM] or not?"

<sup>2</sup> Trends from October 2010 and before asked about "our society" instead of "American society."

## NO QUESTIONS 11-14

## ASK ALL:

Q.15 Thinking about how the federal government spends its money, which do you think should be the higher priority ... **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**

		(SDT)
Feb 14-23		Nov
<u>2014</u>		<u>2012</u>
40	Programs that benefit older adults [OR]	47
37	Programs that benefit younger adults	27
16	Both are equally important (VOL.)	17
7	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	8

## ASK ONLY IF AGE 34 OR OLDER [N=1,192]:

Q.16 Thinking about the young adults you know today, do you think they face MORE economic challenges, FEWER economic challenges or about the same number of economic challenges you faced when you were first starting out? **[INTERVIEWER NOTE: IF RESPONDENT ASKS WHAT AGE "YOUNG ADULTS" ARE, IT'S OKAY TO SAY "Adults in their twenties or early thirties."]**

Feb 14-23	
<u>2014</u>	
70	More challenges
7	Fewer challenges
21	About the same
1	Different challenges (VOL.)
2	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

## ASK ONLY IF AGE 33 OR YOUNGER [N=617]:

Q.17 Thinking about people you know who are about your age, do you think they face MORE economic challenges, FEWER economic challenges or about the same number of economic challenges as your parents' generation faced when they were first starting out?

Feb 14-23	
<u>2014</u>	
71	More challenges
12	Fewer challenges
15	About the same
1	Different challenges (VOL.)
2	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

## ASK ALL:

Q.18 Next, is your overall opinion of **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]** very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable? How about **[NEXT NAME]**? **[IF NECESSARY: Just in general, is your overall opinion of **[NAME]** very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable?]** **[INTERVIEWERS: PROBE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN "NEVER HEARD OF" AND "CAN'T RATE."]**

-----Favorable-----			-----Unfavorable-----			(VOL.)	(VOL.)
Total	Very	Mostly	Total	Very	Mostly	Never heard of	Can't rate/Ref

## ITEM a PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

b. Janet Yellen, chair of the Federal Reserve

Feb 14-23, 2014	33	7	26	20	8	12	25	22
Sep 4-8, 2013 (Ben Bernanke)	38	6	31	31	10	20	17	14
March, 2008 (Ben Bernanke)	24	4	20	20	7	13	31	25

## ITEM c HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

**NO QUESTIONS 19-22**  
**QUESTION 23 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED**  
**NO QUESTIONS 26-29**

**ASK ALL:**

Next, I have some questions about immigrants who are now living in the U.S. illegally. We will use the term "undocumented immigrants" to refer to people in this situation.

**ASK ALL:**

Q.24 Which comes closer to your view about how to handle undocumented immigrants who are now living in the U.S.? **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**

**ASK IF ALLOWED TO STAY IN THE COUNTRY (Q.24=2):**

Q.25 And do you think immigrants who are in the U.S. illegally and meet the requirements should **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**

Feb 14-23 <u>2014</u>		Jun 12-16 <u>2013</u>	May 1-5 <u>2013</u> <sup>3</sup>	Mar 13-17 <u>2013</u>
24	They should not be allowed to stay in the country legally	27	25	27
73	There should be a way for those who meet certain requirements to stay in the country legally	71	73	71
46	Be able to apply for U.S. citizenship	--	44	43
24	Be able to apply for permanent residency, but not U.S. citizenship	--	25	24
3	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	--	4	4
3	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	2	3	2

**QUESTION 30 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED**  
**NO QUESTIONS 31-35, 40-44**  
**QUESTIONS 36-39 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.45 Next, I'm going to read you some words and phrases and ask you to rate how well each describes you. Please use a scale from 1 to 10, where "10" represents a description that is PERFECT for you, and "1" represents a description that is TOTALLY WRONG for you. (First,) on this scale of 1 to 10, how well does...**[READ ITEM; RANDOMIZE ITEMS]** describe you? **[OPEN END ENTER NUMBER 1-10] [INTERVIEWER, IF RESPONDENT STRUGGLES WITH PRECISE NUMBER YOU CAN SAY: "you can just give me a number close to what you think"] [IF NECESSARY: RE-READ SCALE DESCRIPTION: "10 represents a description that is PERFECT for you, and "1" represents a description that is TOTALLY WRONG for you. You can choose any number between 1 and 10.]**

	Description totally wrong		Description perfect	(VOL.)
	<u>1-3</u>	<u>4-7</u>	<u>8-10</u>	<u>DK/Ref</u>
a. A religious person				
Feb 14-23, 2014	16	34	49	1
September, 1999	12	33	55	*
March, 1994	14	34	51	1
April, 1987	11	39	49	1
b. An environmentalist				
Feb 14-23, 2014	10	48	39	3
September, 1999	12	44	43	1
March, 1994	13	41	43	3
May, 1990	9	43	42	6
April, 1987	9	49	39	3

**NO ITEM c.**

<sup>3</sup> In May 2013 and March 2013, question read "Which comes closer to your view about how to handle immigrants who are now living in the U.S. illegally?" and the second answer choice read "There should be a way for those who meet certain requirements to stay in the country legally."

## Q.45 CONTINUED...

	Description totally wrong		Description perfect	(VOL.)
	<u>1-3</u>	<u>4-7</u>	<u>8-10</u>	DK/Ref
d. A supporter of gay rights Feb 14-23, 2014	27	32	39	2
<b>TREND FOR COMPARISON:</b>				
September, 1999 <sup>4</sup>	50	31	17	2
March, 1994	56	26	15	3
April, 1987	66	22	9	3
e. A patriotic person Feb 14-23, 2014	5	29	65	2
<b>TREND FOR COMPARISON:</b>				
September, 1999 <sup>5</sup>	8	30	59	3

**QUESTIONS 46-48, 52-53, 55-58 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**  
**NO QUESTIONS 49-51, 54, 59**

**ASK ALL:**

Next,

Q.60 Do you think it is generally okay or not okay for people to use their cell phones to send or receive messages or go on the internet in the following situations? **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]** is it generally okay or not okay? How about **[INSERT NEXT ITEM]**? **[IF NECESSARY: is it generally okay or not okay for people to use their cell phones to send or receive messages or go on the internet in this situation.]**

	<u>Okay</u>	<u>Not okay</u>	(VOL.) <u>Depends</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
	a. At a family dinner Feb 14-23, 2014	25	72	2
b. During a business meeting Feb 14-23, 2014	14	81	4	1
c. During a class or lecture Feb 14-23, 2014	15	82	2	1
d. At church or worship service Feb 14-23, 2014	9	89	1	1

**ASK ALL:**

Q.61 Do you feel that people generally share too much information about themselves on the internet, or not?

Feb 14-23

2014

89	Yes
8	No
3	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

<sup>4</sup> In 1999 and earlier, the item read "A supporter of the gay rights movement."

<sup>5</sup> In 1999, the item read "A patriot."

**ASK ALL:**

Q.62 Do you happen to know what a selfie is? **[OPEN END] IF YES, BUT DOESN'T GIVE ANSWER, ASK: What is it?**

**IF Q62=1 (KNOWS WHAT SELFIE IS), ASK:**

Q.63 Have you ever shared a selfie on a photo sharing or social networking site such as Facebook, Instagram or Snapchat, or haven't you done this?

Feb 14-23

2014

64	Yes, selfie is when someone takes a picture of themselves
26	Yes, have shared a selfie on SNS
37	No, have not shared a selfie on SNS
1	Undesignated <sup>6</sup>
*	Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>
36	No/Some other answer/Don't know/Refused

**NO QUESTIONS 64-70**

**READ ALL:** Next,

**IF UNDER AGE 65, ASK [N=1,431]:**

Q.71 Thinking about the Social Security system when you are ready to retire – Do you think there will be enough money to provide benefits at CURRENT levels, enough money to provide benefits but at REDUCED levels, or not enough money to provide ANY benefits?

Feb 14-23

2014

14	Enough money to provide benefits at current levels
39	Enough money to provide benefits, but at reduced levels, or
43	Not enough money to provide any benefits
4	Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>

**ASK ALL:**

Q.72 Which of these two statements do you think is more accurate? **[READ; RANDOMIZE ITEMS 1 AND 2]**

Feb 14-23

2014

		<i>Wash Post</i> <u>Feb 3-6, 2005</u>
60	Social Security payroll taxes collected from workers today are used to pay benefits for current retirees [OR]	73
32	Social Security payroll taxes paid by workers today are put into an account to pay for their OWN Social Security benefits when they retire	23
1	Neither <b>(VOL.)</b>	1
7	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	3

<sup>6</sup> "Undesignated" respondents were not asked the Q.63 follow-up question.

**ASK IF EMPLOYED FULL OR PART TIME (E3=1,2):**

Q.73 Do you now earn enough money to lead the kind of life you want, or not?

**ASK IF NO [Q.73=2]:**

Q.74 Do you think you will be able to earn enough money in the future to lead the kind of life you want, or not?

**BASED ON THOSE WHO ARE EMPLOYED FULL OR PART TIME [N=1,144]:**

	<u>Yes</u>	No (NET)	<i>Yes, will in future</i>	<i>No, will not in future</i>	(VOL.) <i>DK/Ref</i>	(VOL.) <i>DK/Ref</i>
Feb 14-23, 2014	42	57	31	25	1	*
Apr 4-15, 2012	48	51	31	17	3	1
Dec, 2011 (SDT)	46	53	35	16	2	1
Jan, 2010 (SDT)	45	55	37	16	2	1
September, 2007	46	53	31	19	3	1
November, 2006 (SDT)	46	53	32	18	3	1
September, 2006	49	50	33	15	2	1
January, 2006	46	53	28	23	2	1
May, 2005	40	59	35	22	2	1
May, 2004	51	48	25	19	4	1
Late February, 2004	53	46	26	19	1	1
June, 2002	43	56	30	23	3	1
January, 2001	43	56	33	21	2	1
Late September, 1999	42	58	33	23	2	*
August, 1999	39	60	38	19	3	1
Early September, 1998	43	57	36	20	1	*
November 1997	41	59	33	24	2	*
May, 1997	46	54	34	18	2	*
June, 1996	44	56	34	20	2	*
February, 1995	41	58	35	20	3	1
July, 1994	40	60	34	24	2	*
March, 1994	44	56	33	20	3	*
<i>U.S.News: October, 1992</i>	36	63	35	36	5	1
<i>U.S.News: August, 1992</i>	33	66	36	25	5	1
<i>U.S.News: May, 1992</i>	34	65	34	28	3	1
<i>U.S.News: January, 1992</i>	39	61	34	22	5	*

**ASK IF NOT EMPLOYED OR DK/REF (E.3=3,9):**

Q.75 Do you now have enough income to lead the kind of life you want, or not?

**ASK IF NO [Q.75=2]:**

Q.76 Do you think you will have enough income in the future to lead the kind of life you want, or not?

**BASED ON THOSE WHO ARE NOT EMPLOYED OR DK/REF [N=677]:**

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u> <u>(NET)</u>	<u>Yes, will in</u> <u>future</u>	<u>No, will not</u> <u>in future</u>	<u>(VOL.)</u> <u>DK/Ref</u>	<u>(VOL.)</u> <u>DK/Ref</u>
Feb 14-23, 2014	38	61	24	35	2	1
Apr 4-15, 2012	44	55	25	26	3	1
Dec, 2011 (SDT)	41	56	24	28	4	2
Jan, 2010 (SDT)	42	57	31	22	4	1
September, 2007	47	50	22	25	3	3
November, 2006 (SDT)	48	49	20	23	6	3
September, 2006	53	44	22	18	4	2
January, 2006	45	52	19	29	4	3
May, 2004	50	47	18	25	4	3
Late February, 2004	48	50	21	23	6	2

**NO QUESTIONS 77-99****QUESTIONS 100-105 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED****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>	<u>(VOL.)</u> <u>No</u> <u>preference</u>	<u>(VOL.)</u> <u>Other</u> <u>party</u>	<u>(VOL.)</u> <u>DK/Ref</u>	<u>Lean</u> <u>Rep</u>	<u>Lean</u> <u>Dem</u>
Feb 14-23, 2014	22	32	39	4	1	2	14	17
Jan 15-19, 2014	21	31	41	3	1	2	18	16
Dec 3-8, 2013	24	34	37	3	*	2	17	15
Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013	24	32	38	4	*	2	16	14
Oct 9-13, 2013	25	32	37	3	1	3	16	18
Sep 4-8, 2013	26	32	38	3	1	1	17	15
Jul 17-21, 2013	19	29	46	3	*	2	19	18
Jun 12-16, 2013	23	33	39	3	*	2	17	15
May 1-5, 2013	25	32	37	2	1	3	14	16
Mar 13-17, 2013	26	33	34	3	1	3	14	15
Feb 13-18, 2013	22	32	41	2	*	2	15	19
<b>Yearly Totals</b>								
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



## PARTY/PARTYLN CONTINUED...

				(VOL.)	(VOL.)	(VOL.)	Lean	Lean
	<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>	<u>No preference</u>	<u>Other party</u>	<u>DK/Ref</u>	<u>Rep</u>	<u>Dem</u>
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	--	--	--	--	--

## ASK REPUBLICANS AND REPUBLICAN LEANERS ONLY (PARTY=1 OR PARTYLN=1):

TEAPARTY3 From what you know, do you agree or disagree with the Tea Party movement, or don't you have an opinion either way?

## BASED ON REPUBLICANS AND REPUBLICAN LEANERS [N=689]:

				(VOL.)	(VOL.)	Not
	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>No opinion either way</u>	<u>Haven't heard of</u>	<u>Refused</u>	<u>heard of/DK</u>
Feb 14-23, 2014	36	9	54	1	1	--
Jan 15-19, 2014	35	12	52	1	*	--
Dec 3-8, 2013	32	9	57	1	1	--
Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013	40	9	48	2	1	--
Oct 9-13, 2013	41	11	45	2	1	--
Sep 4-8, 2013	35	9	54	1	1	--
Jul 17-21, 2013	37	10	50	2	1	--
Jun 12-16, 2013	44	9	46	1	2	--
May 23-26, 2013	41	7	48	1	3	--
May 1-5, 2013	28	8	61	2	1	--
Mar 13-17, 2013	43	7	47	1	1	--
Feb 13-18, 2013	36	9	52	1	3	--
Feb 14-17, 2013	43	9	45	1	2	--
Jan 9-13, 2013	35	10	51	2	2	--
Dec 5-9, 2012	37	11	51	1	*	--
Oct 31-Nov 3, 2012 (RVs)	40	8	49	1	2	--
Oct 4-7, 2012	38	9	50	1	3	--
Sep 12-16, 2013	39	7	52	1	1	--
Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	40	9	47	2	1	--
Jun 7-17, 2012	42	8	48	1	1	--
May 9-Jun 3, 2012	36	9	53	1	2	--
Apr 4-15, 2012	42	8	48	1	1	--
Mar 7-11, 2012	38	10	49	2	1	--
Feb 8-12, 2012	40	7	51	1	1	--
Jan 11-16, 2012	42	8	47	1	1	--
Jan 4-8, 2012	37	8	52	1	1	--
Dec 7-11, 2011	40	9	48	2	1	--
Nov 9-14, 2011	41	9	49	*	1	--
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	37	11	51	1	1	--
Aug 17-21, 2011	43	7	49	*	1	--
Jul 20-24, 2011	40	7	51	*	1	--
Jun 15-19, 2011	42	9	47	1	1	--
May 25-30, 2011	37	7	52	1	3	--
Mar 30-Apr 3, 2011	45	9	46	*	1	--
Mar 8-14, 2011	37	7	54	1	*	--
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	41	9	48	1	1	--

## TEAPARTY3 CONTINUED...

	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>No opinion either way</u>	<u>(VOL.) Haven't heard of</u>	<u>(VOL.) Refused</u>	<u>Not heard of/ DK</u>
Feb 2-7, 2011 <sup>7</sup>	43	8	47	1	1	--
Jan 5-9, 2011	45	6	47	1	1	--
Dec 1-5, 2010	48	5	45	1	1	--
Nov 4-7, 2010	51	5	42	1	1	--
Oct 27-30, 2010 (RVs)	58	5	27	--	1	9
Oct 13-18, 2010 (RVs)	54	5	30	--	1	10
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010 (RVs)	56	6	29	--	*	9
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	46	5	36	--	1	13
Jun 16-20, 2010	46	5	30	--	*	19
May 20-23, 2010	53	4	25	--	1	16
Mar 11-21, 2010	48	4	26	--	1	21

## NO QUESTIONS 106-108

## ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=900]:

Q.109F1 Thinking about your political views, would you say over the course of your life, your views have ... **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**

Feb 14-23

2014

39 Become more liberal [OR]  
 49 Become more conservative  
 7 Not changed **(VOL.)**  
 1 More liberal on some issues, more conservative on others **(VOL.)**  
 4 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

## ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=921]:

Q.110F2 Thinking about your views on social issues, would you say over the course of your life, your views have ... **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**

Feb 14-23

2014

42 Become more liberal [OR]  
 49 Become more conservative  
 5 Not changed **(VOL.)**  
 1 More liberal on some issues, more conservative on others **(VOL.)**  
 3 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

<sup>7</sup>

In the February 2-7, 2011, survey and before, question read "...do you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree with the Tea Party movement..." In October 2010 and earlier, question was asked only of those who had heard or read a lot or a little about the Tea Party. In May 2010 through October 2010, it was described as: "the Tea Party movement that has been involved in campaigns and protests in the U.S. over the past year." In March 2010 it was described as "the Tea Party protests that have taken place in the U.S. over the past year."

**PEW RESEARCH CENTER  
FINAL TOPLINE  
January 23-February 9, 2014  
N=3,341**

**SELECTED QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**

**RANDOMIZE Q121-Q126**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.121 Do you think it is the responsibility of the federal government to make sure all Americans have health care coverage, or is that not the responsibility of the federal government?

	Yes, government <u>responsibility</u>	No, not government <u>responsibility</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
Jan 23-Feb 9, 2014	47	50	3
<i>Gallup</i> : Nov 7-10, 2013	42	56	2
<i>Gallup</i> : Nov 15-18, 2012	44	54	2
<i>Gallup</i> : Nov 3-6, 2011	50	46	4
<i>Gallup</i> : Nov 4-7, 2010	47	50	3
<i>Gallup</i> : Nov 5-8, 2009	47	50	3
<i>Gallup</i> : November, 2008	54	41	5
<i>Gallup</i> : November, 2007	64	33	3
<i>Gallup</i> : November, 2006	69	28	3
<i>Gallup</i> : November, 2005	58	38	4
<i>Gallup</i> : November, 2004	64	34	2
<i>Gallup</i> : November, 2003	59	39	2
<i>Gallup</i> : November, 2002	62	35	3
<i>Gallup</i> : November, 2001	62	34	4
<i>Gallup</i> : September, 2000	64	31	5
<i>Gallup</i> : January, 2000	59	38	3

**RANDOMIZE Q121-Q126**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.123 What do you think is more important – to protect the right of Americans to own guns, OR to control gun ownership?

	Protect right of Americans <u>to own guns</u>	Control <u>gun ownership</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
Jan 23-Feb 9, 2014	49	48	3
May 1-5, 2013	48	50	2
Feb 13-18, 2013 (U)	46	50	4
Jan 9-13, 2013	45	51	5
Dec 17-19, 2012	42	49	9
July 26-29, 2012	46	47	6
Apr 4-15, 2012	49	45	6
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	47	49	5
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	48	47	6
Jan 13-16, 2011	49	46	6
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	46	50	4
Mar 10-14, 2010	46	46	7
Mar 31-Apr 21, 2009	45	49	6
April, 2008	37	58	5
November, 2007	42	55	3
April, 2007	32	60	8
February, 2004	37	58	5
June, 2003	42	54	4
May, 2000	38	57	5
April, 2000	37	55	8
March, 2000	29	66	5
June, 1999	33	62	5
May, 1999	30	65	5
December, 1993	34	57	9

**RANDOMIZE Q121-Q126**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.125 Thinking about the long term future of Social Security, do you think **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**?

Jan 23-Feb 9

2014

31	Some reductions in benefits for future retirees need to be considered
67	Social Security benefits should not be reduced in any way
3	Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>

PEW RESEARCH CENTER  
 FINAL TOPLINE  
 February 12-26, 2014  
 N=3,338

SELECTED QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

ASK ALL:

Q.B4 Thinking about the future of the United States, do you think the country's best years are ahead of us or behind us?

Feb 12-26 2014		Gallup Dec 14-17 2012 <sup>8</sup>
44	Ahead of us	47
49	Behind us	50
7	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	3

ASK ALL:

Q.B5 Thinking about the Democratic and Republican parties, would you say there is a great deal of difference in what they stand for, a fair amount of difference, or hardly any difference at all?

	A great deal	A fair amount	Hardly any	(VOL.) DK/Ref
Feb 12-26, 2014	43	30	23	4
Nov 4-7, 2010	38	41	17	4
January, 2007	35	40	20	5
Early October, 2006	38	39	18	5
April, 2006	33	42	21	4
June, 2003	29	49	20	2
February, 1999	33	46	18	3
March 1998	28	45	23	4
June, 1997	25	48	25	2
October, 1995	34	46	18	2
July, 1994	23	51	24	2
May, 1990	24	45	27	4
May, 1987	25	45	25	5

ASK ALL:

Next,

Q.11 Would you say your overall opinion of... [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE] is very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable? [INTERVIEWERS: PROBE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN "NEVER HEARD OF" AND "CAN'T RATE."] How about [NEXT ITEM]?

c.B Congress	----- Favorable -----			----- Unfavorable -----			(VOL.) Never	(VOL.) Can't rate/ Ref
	Total	Very	Mostly	Total	Very	Mostly	heard of	
Feb 12-Feb 26, 2014	23	5	18	72	34	37	*	5
Dec 3-8, 2013 (U)	27	6	21	67	32	35	*	6
Oct 9-13, 2013	23	4	19	73	32	42	0	4
Jul 17-21, 2013	21	3	18	70	33	37	*	9
Jan 9-13, 2013	23	4	19	68	32	36	*	9
Dec 5-9, 2012	27	4	22	67	24	43	1	6
Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	27	5	22	65	30	35	*	8
Jan 11-16, 2012	23	5	18	69	33	36	*	8
Aug 17-21, 2011	25	4	21	70	30	40	4	6
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	34	4	30	57	21	36	1	8

<sup>8</sup> In December 2012, Gallup asked "When you think about the future of the United States, which do you agree with more: the country's best years are ahead of us or the country's best years are behind us?"

## Q.11 CONTINUED...

	----- Favorable -----			----- Unfavorable -----			(VOL.)	(VOL.)
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>Mostly</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>Mostly</u>	Never heard of	Can't rate/ Ref
July 1-5, 2010	33	6	27	56	23	33	*	11
April 1-5, 2010	25	3	22	65	30	36	*	9
Mar 18-21, 2010	26	3	23	62	23	39	*	12
Feb 3-9, 2010	41	3	38	50	17	34	0	9
Aug 20-27, 2009	37	4	33	52	20	32	*	11
Mar 31-Apr 6, 2009	50	10	40	43	15	28	*	7
Jan 7-11, 2009	40	5	35	52	20	32	*	8
Late May, 2008	41	6	35	51	17	34	0	8
July, 2007	41	6	35	51	16	35	0	8
Early January, 2007	53	11	42	38	9	29	1	8
Late October, 2006	41	5	36	46	15	31	*	13
February, 2006	44	6	38	47	14	33	0	9
Late October, 2005	45	7	38	45	13	32	*	10
July, 2005	49	6	43	40	11	29	*	11
June, 2005	49	6	43	40	10	30	*	11
June, 2004	56	7	49	33	7	26	*	11
July, 2001	57	7	50	32	8	24	*	11
March, 2001	56	6	50	36	10	26	1	7
January, 2001	64	10	54	23	5	18	1	12
September, 2000 (RVs)	61	8	53	32	5	27	*	7
August, 1999	63	8	55	34	7	27	*	3
June, 1999	56	9	47	39	9	30	*	5
February, 1999	52	4	48	44	8	36	0	4
January, 1999	48	7	41	45	15	30	0	7
Early December, 1998	52	11	41	41	12	29	0	7
Early October, 1998 (RVs)	62	7	55	33	8	25	0	5
Early September, 1998	66	7	59	27	5	22	0	7
October, 1997	53	5	48	44	11	33	0	3
August, 1997	50	6	44	44	11	33	0	6
June, 1997	52	4	48	42	8	34	0	6
May, 1997	49	5	44	42	10	32	*	9
February, 1997	52	6	46	40	9	31	*	8
January, 1997	56	6	50	40	8	32	*	4
June, 1996	45	6	39	50	12	38	*	5
April, 1996	45	6	39	50	13	37	0	5
January, 1996	42	4	38	54	16	38	*	4
October, 1995	42	4	38	55	13	42	0	3
August, 1995	45	5	40	47	13	34	*	7
June, 1995	53	8	45	42	11	31	*	5
February, 1995	54	10	44	37	10	27	0	9
July, 1994	53	7	46	43	9	34	*	4
May, 1993	43	8	35	48	13	35	0	9
November, 1991	51	7	44	43	9	34	0	6
March, 1991	66	16	50	26	7	19	0	8
May, 1990	59	6	53	34	9	25	1	6
May, 1988	64	8	56	28	5	23	0	8
January, 1988	64	6	58	29	4	25	0	7
May, 1987	74	10	64	20	4	16	*	6
January, 1987	59	7	52	31	8	23	0	10
July, 1985	67	9	58	26	5	21	*	7

**ASK ALL:**

Q.B108 Do you strongly favor, favor, oppose, or strongly oppose allowing gays and lesbians to marry legally?

	-----Favor-----			-----Oppose-----			<b>(VOL.)</b> DK/Ref
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Strongly favor</u>	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Strongly oppose</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	
Feb 12-26, 2014	54	24	30	39	19	20	7
May 1-5, 2013 <sup>9</sup>	51	21	30	42	19	22	8
Mar 13-17, 2013	49	22	27	44	22	21	8
Oct 24-28, 2012	49	22	27	40	19	21	11
Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	48	23	25	44	24	20	8
Jun 7-17, 2012	48	23	25	44	23	21	9
Apr 4-15, 2012	47	22	25	43	22	21	11
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	46	--	--	44	--	--	9
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	45	20	25	46	25	21	9
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	43	16	27	47	26	22	10
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	41	17	24	48	24	24	10
Aug 11-17, 2009	39	14	25	53	31	22	8
Mid-April, 2009	35	14	21	54	31	23	11
August, 2008	39	13	26	52	30	22	9
June, 2008	40	15	25	52	31	21	8
Late May, 2008	38	15	23	49	29	20	13
November, 2007	36	12	24	54	29	25	10
August, 2007	36	13	23	55	31	24	9
Early January, 2007	37	13	24	55	33	22	8
Early November, 2006 (RVs)	30	10	20	57	31	26	13
July, 2006	35	12	23	56	31	25	9
June, 2006	33	13	20	55	32	23	12
March, 2006	39	10	29	51	28	23	10
July, 2005	36	13	23	53	31	22	11
December, 2004	32	14	18	61	38	23	7
August, 2004	29	8	21	60	35	25	11
July, 2004	32	10	22	56	33	23	12
Mid-March, 2004	32	10	22	59	35	24	9
Early February, 2004	30	9	21	63	42	21	7
November, 2003	30	10	20	62	41	21	8
October, 2003	30	9	21	58	33	25	12
Mid-July, 2003	38	10	28	53	30	23	9
March, 2001	35	8	27	57	34	23	8
June, 1996	27	6	21	65	41	24	8

**ASK ALL:**

Q.B110 Do you think the use of marijuana should be made legal, or not?

	<u>Yes, legal</u>	<u>No, illegal</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
Feb 12-26, 2014	54	42	3
Mar 13-17, 2013	52	45	3
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	45	50	5
Mar 10-14, 2010	41	52	7
<b>Gallup</b>			
October, 2012	48	50	1
October, 2011	50	46	3
October, 2010	46	50	4
October, 2009	44	54	2
October 2005	36	60	4

<sup>9</sup> In May 1-5, 2013, Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012, Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011, July 21-Aug 5, 2010, Aug 11-17, 2009, August 2008, August 2007, Early January 2007, Early November 2006, March 2006, July 2005, December 2004, Early February 2004, November 2003, Mid-July 2003, March 2001 and June 1996 the question was asked as part of a list of items. In Jun 7-17, 2012, Apr 4-15, 2012, August 2009, April 2009, May 2008 and June 2008, the question read "allowing gay and lesbian couples;" all other instances read "allowing gays and lesbians."

## Q.B110 CONTINUED...

	<u>Yes, legal</u>	<u>No, illegal</u>	<u>(VOL.) DK/Ref</u>
November, 2003	34	64	2
August, 2001	34	62	4
August, 2000	31	64	5
August, 1995	25	73	2
May, 1985	23	73	4
June, 1980	25	70	5
May, 1979	25	70	5
April, 1977	28	66	6
January, 1973	16	78	6
March, 1972	15	81	4
October, 1969	12	84	4
<b>General Social Survey</b>			
2012	43	49	8
2010	44	47	9
2008	35	57	8
2006	32	60	7
2004	33	59	9
2002	32	61	6
2000	31	63	6
1998	27	67	6
1996	25	70	5
1994	22	73	5
1993	22	73	5
1991	17	78	5
1990	16	81	3
1989	16	81	3
1988	17	79	4
1987	16	81	3
1986	17	80	2
1984	22	74	4
1983	19	77	3
1980	24	73	3
1978	30	66	4
1976	28	69	3
1975	20	74	5
1973	19	79	2

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**Key to Pew Research trends\* noted in this document:**

(U)	Pew Research Center/USA Today polls
(WP)	Pew Research Center/Washington Post polls
(SDT)	Pew Research Social and Demographic Trends
(RPL)	Pew Research Religion and Public Life

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