

**PEW RESEARCH CENTER
MARCH 5-8, 2015 OMNIBUS
FINAL TOPLINE
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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>	(VOL.) DK/Ref
a. Reports about the condition of the U.S. economy					
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
SEE TREND FOR PREVIOUS YEARS: http://www.people-press.org/files/2015/01/NII-Economy-trend.pdf					
b. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu delivering a speech to Congress					
March 5-8, 2015	20	21	13	45	2
TRENDS FOR COMPARISON:					
January 3-7, 2001: <i>Renewed efforts at reaching a peace agreement in the Middle East</i>	21	32	29	17	1
July 19-23, 2000: <i>The Middle East peace summit at Camp David</i>	15	30	24	31	*
November, 1998: <i>The latest Mideast peace agreement between Israel and the Palestinians</i>	18	33	28	19	2
Early October, 1998 ¹ : <i>Renewed efforts at reaching a peace agreement in the Middle East</i>	21	40	27	12	*
September, 1995	11	32	29	27	1
Mid-September, 1993: <i>Talks between Israel and the PLO about Arab self-rule for Gaza Strip and West Bank town of Jericho</i>	19	31	23	26	1
September, 1993: <i>The peace accords between Israel and the PLO</i>	23	33	24	19	1

¹ Based on registered voters.

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c. Reports that Hillary Clinton used a private email address while she was secretary of state					
March 5-8, 2015	17	22	14	45	1
TRENDS FOR COMPARISON:					
January 24-27, 2013: <i>Hillary Clinton testifying about the attack on the U.S. embassy in Benghazi, Libya</i>	21	25	21	31	1
January 3-6, 2013: <i>Hillary Clinton's recent health problems</i>	17	24	23	34	2
August 14-17, 2009: <i>Secretary of State Hillary Clinton's trip to Africa</i>	9	22	28	40	1
July 24-27, 2009: <i>Secretary of State Hillary Clinton's trip to India and Southeast Asia</i>	10	20	25	45	1
March 27-30, 2009: <i>Hillary Clinton's recent trip to Mexico to discuss drug violence near the border</i>	14	24	23	39	*
April 19-May 12, 2002: <i>The secretary of state's recent visit to the Middle East</i>	25	32	20	22	1
January 23-26, 2009: <i>Hillary Clinton becoming secretary of state</i>	24	30	24	22	*
d. Supreme Court arguments about the 2010 health care law					
March 5-8, 2015	19	22	19	39	2
TRENDS FOR COMPARISON:					
June 26-29, 2014: <i>Recent Supreme Court rulings and cases before the court</i>	15	20	21	43	1
June 28-July 1, 2012: <i>The Supreme Court decision on the 2010 health care law</i>	45	21	14	19	*
March 29-April 1, 2012: <i>Supreme Court hearings about the 2010 health care reform law</i>	29	27	17	27	*
November 17-20, 2011: <i>The U.S. Supreme Court agreeing to hear legal challenges to last year's health care reform law</i>	18	24	24	33	1
e. The Justice Department's report on race and policing in Ferguson, Missouri					
March 5-8, 2015	21	25	15	38	1
TRENDS FOR COMPARISON:					
December 4-7, 2014: <i>Reactions following a grand jury decision not to charge a police officer in the death of Michael Brown in Ferguson, Missouri</i>	41	31	14	14	1
November 20-23, 2014: <i>Developments in Ferguson, Missouri in the shooting death of Michael Brown</i>	25	29	20	25	2
August 14-17, 2014: <i>The police shooting of an African American teen and protests in Ferguson, Missouri</i>	27	30	18	23	2
July 11-14, 2013: <i>The trial of George Zimmerman for the shooting death of Florida teen Trayvon Martin</i>	26	28	24	21	1
June 27-30, 2013	22	29	23	25	1
June 13-16, 2013	15	26	24	35	1

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April 26-29, 2012: <i>Developments in the case against George Zimmerman in the shooting death of Trayvon Martin</i>	24	28	22	25	1
April 20-22, 2012	27	29	21	21	1
April 12-15, 2012: <i>George Zimmerman being charged with second-degree murder in the death of Trayvon Martin</i>	35	31	16	17	1
April 5-8, 2012: <i>Controversy over the shooting death of Trayvon Martin, an African American teen in Florida</i>	34	30	18	18	*
March 29-April 1, 2012	30	35	15	20	*
March 22-25, 2012	35	24	15	26	1
July 31-August 3, 2009: <i>Reports about the arrest of Harvard professor Henry Louis Gates and President Obama's response to the incident</i>	25	26	22	25	2
July 24-27, 2009: <i>The arrest of Henry Louis Gates, a black Harvard professor, at his home after a dispute with a police officer</i>	30	31	17	21	1
April 25-28, 2008: <i>The acquittal of three New York City police officers in the shooting of an unarmed man on his wedding day</i>	13	24	24	38	1
September 21-24, 2007: <i>Demonstrations in Jena, Louisiana, about six black teenagers involved in a schoolyard fight</i>	18	27	25	30	*
April 2001: <i>Rioting in Cincinnati after an unarmed black man was shot by police</i>	24	32	23	20	1
July 2000: <i>The video showing Philadelphia police kicking and beating a carjacking suspect</i>	22	32	22	23	1
March 2000: <i>The acquittal of four New York policemen who shot and killed Amadou Diallo, an African immigrant</i>	28	35	20	17	0
February 1999: <i>The Texas murder trial of a man accused of dragging a black man behind a pickup truck</i>	24	41	20	14	1
May 1993: <i>The Rodney King trial and verdict in Los Angeles</i>	47	34	13	6	*
May 1992: <i>The verdict in the Rodney King case and the riots and disturbances that followed</i>	70	22	5	2	1
March 1991: <i>The videotaped beating by Los Angeles police of a suspect they apprehended in an auto chase</i>	46	30	13	10	1
f. The trial of a Boston Marathon bombing suspect					
March 5-8, 2015	14	29	20	36	1
TRENDS FOR COMPARISON:					
July 18-21, 2013: <i>Controversy over the cover of Rolling Stone magazine showing the Boston bombing suspect</i>	12	19	23	45	1

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April 25-28, 2013: <i>The investigation into the terrorist bombings at the Boston Marathon</i>	49	33	9	9	1
April 18-21, 2013: <i>A terrorist bombing at the Boston Marathon</i>	63	22	10	5	*

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	<u>Lean Rep</u>	<u>Lean Dem</u>
March 5-8, 2015	20	27	41	8	1	3	13	18