

PEW RESEARCH CENTER
July 11-14, 2013 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. Egypt's military removing elected President Mohamed Morsi and installing an interim government | | | | | |
| July 11-14, 2013 | 15 | 25 | 22 | 37 | 1 |
| TRENDS FOR COMPARISON: | | | | | |
| November 29-December 2, 2012: <i>Political turmoil and protests in Egypt</i> | 14 | 26 | 23 | 37 | * |
| June 14-17, 2012: <i>The political situation in Egypt</i> | 13 | 20 | 24 | 42 | * |
| May 24-27, 2012: <i>The presidential election in Egypt</i> | 4 | 15 | 22 | 57 | 1 |
| December 1-4, 2011: <i>The recent elections in Egypt</i> | 7 | 16 | 28 | 48 | * |
| February 17-20, 2011: <i>News about the situation in Egypt</i> | 34 | 32 | 17 | 16 | 1 |
| February 10-13, 2011: <i>Anti-government protests in Egypt and the resignation of President Hosni Mubarak</i> | 39 | 31 | 14 | 15 | 1 |
| February 3-6, 2011: <i>Anti-government protests in Egypt and other Middle Eastern countries</i> | 32 | 35 | 16 | 18 | * |
| January 27-30, 2011 | 17 | 26 | 21 | 35 | * |
| b. A plane crash in San Francisco | | | | | |
| July 11-14, 2013 | 24 | 32 | 21 | 22 | 1 |
| TRENDS FOR COMPARISON: | | | | | |
| November 16-19, 2009: News about a US Airways flight crashing into the Hudson River | 44 | 34 | 14 | 8 | * |
| February 13-16, 2009: <i>A plane crashing into a house near Buffalo, New York, killing 50 people</i> | 32 | 39 | 16 | 13 | * |
| August 22-28, 2008: <i>A plane crash in Madrid, Spain</i> | 8 | 22 | 32 | 37 | 1 |
| July 20-23, 2007: <i>A plane crash in Brazil that killed nearly 200 people</i> | 13 | 28 | 27 | 31 | 1 |
| November, 2001: <i>The recent crash on an American Airlines plane near Kennedy Airport in New York</i> | 48 | 34 | 13 | 4 | 1 |
| February, 2000: <i>Crash of an Alaskan Airlines jet near Los Angeles</i> | 35 | 40 | 17 | 8 | * |
| December, 1999: <i>The crash of an EgyptAir plane off the coast of New England and the investigation into what happened</i> | 30 | 44 | 15 | 10 | 1 |
| July, 1999: <i>Crash of an American Airlines flight in Arkansas</i> | 19 | 38 | 25 | 17 | 1 |
| July, 1996: <i>The crash of a Paris-bound TWA plane off the coast of New York</i> | 69 | 23 | 6 | 2 | * |

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| February, 1990: <i>Crash of Columbian airliner near JFK airport in New York</i> | 33 | 39 | 18 | 10 | 0 |
| c. The trial of George Zimmerman for the shooting death of Florida teen Trayvon Martin | | | | | |
| July 11-14, 2013 | 26 | 28 | 24 | 21 | 1 |
| June 27-30, 2013 | 22 | 29 | 23 | 25 | 1 |
| June 13-16, 2013 | 15 | 26 | 24 | 35 | 1 |
| 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 |
| TRENDS FOR COMPARISON: | | | | | |
| 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 |

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| d. Efforts by Edward Snowden, who leaked information about government surveillance secrets, to gain asylum in another country | | | | | |
| July 11-14, 2013 | 16 | 27 | 25 | 30 | 1 |
| June 27-30, 2013: <i>U.S. efforts to apprehend Edward Snowden, who leaked government surveillance secrets</i> | 20 | 30 | 20 | 30 | 1 |
| TRENDS FOR COMPARISON: | | | | | |
| June 20-23, 2013: <i>Debate over government phone and internet surveillance programs</i> | 23 | 30 | 17 | 29 | 1 |
| June 13-16, 2013: <i>The government collecting information about telephone calls, e-mails and other online communications as part of efforts to monitor terrorist activity</i> | 35 | 27 | 15 | 21 | 1 |
| June 7-9, 2013: <i>The government collecting emails and other online activities directly from large internet companies to track foreign suspects in terror investigations</i> | 26 | 24 | 17 | 33 | 1 |
| June 6-9, 2013: <i>The government collecting records about Verizon phone calls for national security purposes</i> | 27 | 21 | 17 | 35 | * |
| Dec 9-12, 2010: <i>News about WikiLeaks and the arrest of its founder</i> | 18 | 24 | 19 | 38 | 1 |
| December 2-5, 2010: <i>The release of classified documents about U.S. diplomatic relations by the Wikileaks website</i> | 30 | 23 | 20 | 25 | 2 |
| May 12-22, 2006: <i>Reports that the National Security Agency has been collecting telephone records of millions of American citizens</i> | 33 | 28 | 22 | 16 | 1 |
| e. Debate over immigration policy in the U.S. | | | | | |
| July 11-14, 2013 | 18 | 24 | 24 | 33 | * |
| June 27-30, 2013: <i>The U.S. Senate passing immigration reform legislation</i> | 21 | 29 | 22 | 28 | * |
| June 20-23, 2013: <i>Debate over immigration policy in the U.S.</i> | 20 | 28 | 23 | 29 | 1 |
| June 13-16, 2013 | 23 | 26 | 22 | 29 | 1 |
| June 6-9, 2013 | 21 | 28 | 21 | 30 | 1 |
| May 23-26, 2013 | 17 | 23 | 23 | 37 | 1 |
| May 9-12, 2013 | 20 | 24 | 25 | 30 | 1 |
| April 25-28, 2013 | 19 | 25 | 24 | 32 | * |
| April 18-21, 2013 | 21 | 22 | 25 | 31 | 1 |
| April 4-7, 2013 | 23 | 22 | 22 | 32 | * |
| January 31-February 3, 2013: <i>Debate in Washington over immigration policy</i> | 23 | 25 | 22 | 29 | 1 |
| June 29-July 2, 2007: <i>The debate in Congress over new immigration policy</i> | 26 | 30 | 21 | 23 | * |
| June 22-25, 2007 | 24 | 28 | 22 | 26 | * |
| June 15-18, 2007 | 22 | 32 | 21 | 25 | * |
| June 8-11, 2007 | 24 | 29 | 20 | 26 | 1 |
| May 24-27, 2007 | 27 | 31 | 22 | 19 | 1 |
| April 12-16, 2007: <i>The issue of immigration</i> | 21 | 29 | 24 | 26 | * |
| August, 2006 | 34 | 40 | 16 | 9 | 1 |
| June, 2006 | 36 | 41 | 15 | 7 | 1 |
| May, 2006 | 44 | 33 | 13 | 9 | 1 |
| April, 2006 | 39 | 34 | 16 | 10 | 1 |

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| f. News about the upcoming birth of Prince William and Kate Middleton's first baby | | | | | |
| July 11-14, 2013 | 5 | 10 | 24 | 61 | 1 |
| December 6-9, 2012: <i>News that Prince William and Kate Middleton are expecting a child</i> | 7 | 18 | 29 | 44 | 2 |
| TRENDS FOR COMPARISON: | | | | | |
| April 28-May 1, 2011: <i>The wedding of Prince William and Kate Middleton in England</i> | 16 | 19 | 25 | 39 | * |
| April 21-25, 2011: <i>The upcoming wedding of Prince William and Kate Middleton in England</i> | 8 | 13 | 25 | 53 | * |
| November 18-21, 2010: <i>The British royal family announcing Prince William's engagement</i> | 11 | 24 | 27 | 37 | 1 |

**NO QUESTIONS PEW.2-PEW.3, PEW.6-PEW.7, PEW.10
PEW.4-PEW.5, PEW.8 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE****ASK ALL:**

On another subject...

PEW.9 How much of the live coverage of the George Zimmerman trial, if any, have you watched? **[READ IN ORDER]**

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| | |
|----|----------------------------------|
| 7 | Almost all of it |
| 10 | A lot of it |
| 25 | Some of it |
| 25 | Hardly any of it |
| 33 | None of it |
| * | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) |

TREND FOR COMPARISON:

How much of the live coverage of the O.J. Simpson trial, if any, have you have watched?

| <u>Mar</u> <u>1995</u> | | <u>Feb</u> <u>1995</u> |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 11 | Almost all of it | 10 |
| 13 | A lot of it | 13 |
| 29 | Some of it | 29 |
| 31 | Hardly any of it | 31 |
| 16 | None of it | 17 |
| * | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) | * |

ASK IF EVER USE SOCIAL NETWORKING SITES OR TWITTER (60% OF ALL ADULTS):

PEW.11 How much have you seen or heard about [INSERT ITEM, RANDOMIZE] on Facebook, Twitter or other social networking sites? A lot, a little or nothing at all? What about [NEXT ITEM]? [REPEAT AS NECESSARY: How much have you seen or heard about [ITEM] on Facebook, Twitter or other social networking sites? A lot, a little or nothing at all?]

- a. The political situation in Egypt

| <i>BASED ON TOTAL</i> | <i>BASED ON SNS/ TWITTER USERS</i> | |
|---------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| Jul 11-14 | Jul 11-14 | |
| <u>2013</u> | <u>2013</u> | |
| 7 | 12 | A lot |
| 21 | 35 | A little |
| 31 | 52 | Nothing at all |
| * | 1 | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) |
| (40) | -- | Do not use social networking |

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- b. The plane crash in San Francisco

| <i>BASED ON TOTAL</i> | <i>BASED ON SNS/ TWITTER USERS</i> | |
|---------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| Jul 11-14 | Jul 11-14 | |
| <u>2013</u> | <u>2013</u> | |
| 13 | 22 | A lot |
| 22 | 37 | A little |
| 25 | 41 | Nothing at all |
| * | 1 | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) |
| (40) | -- | Do not use social networking |

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- c. The George Zimmerman trial

| <i>BASED ON TOTAL</i> | <i>BASED ON SNS/ TWITTER USERS</i> | |
|---------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| Jul 11-14 | Jul 11-14 | |
| <u>2013</u> | <u>2013</u> | |
| 17 | 28 | A lot |
| 19 | 32 | A little |
| 24 | 39 | Nothing at all |
| 1 | 1 | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) |
| (40) | -- | Do not use social networking |

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- d. Edward Snowden's effort to gain asylum in another country

| <i>BASED ON TOTAL</i> | <i>BASED ON SNS/ TWITTER USERS</i> | |
|---------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| Jul 11-14 | Jul 11-14 | |
| <u>2013</u> | <u>2013</u> | |
| 8 | 14 | A lot |
| 20 | 34 | A little |
| 31 | 52 | Nothing at all |
| * | 1 | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) |
| (40) | -- | Do not use social networking |

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e. The upcoming birth of Prince William and Kate Middleton's first baby

| <i>BASED ON TOTAL</i> | <i>BASED ON SNS/ TWITTER USERS</i> | |
|---------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|
| Jul 11-14 <u>2013</u> | Jul 11-14 <u>2013</u> | |
| 6 | 10 | A lot |
| 17 | 28 | A little |
| 37 | 61 | Nothing at all |
| 1 | 1 | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) |
| (40) | -- | <i>Do not use social networking</i> |
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