

PEW RESEARCH CENTER FOR THE PEOPLE & THE PRESS
APRIL 2014 POLITICAL SURVEY
FINAL TOPLINE
April 23-27, 2014
N=1,501

QUESTIONS 1-2, 4, 8, INT1-INT3M, 12, 18-19, 21-24, 26, 28e, 29, 40-41, 43-47 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

NO QUESTIONS 3, 5-7, 9-11, 13-17, 20, 25, 27, 30-39, 42
QUESTIONS 28a-d, f-g HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

ASK ALL:

Now a different kind of question...

Q.48 Thinking about presidential elections, we'd like to know how you generally feel about some different traits. First, would you be more likely or less likely to support a candidate for president who **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]**, or wouldn't this matter to you? How about if a candidate **[NEXT ITEM]**? **[INTERVIEWER NOTE: PLEASE PROMPT RESPONDENT WITH RESPONSE OPTIONS EVERY FOUR TO SIX ITEMS AS A REMINDER]**

		More likely	Less likely	Wouldn't matter	(VOL.) DK/Ref
a.	Is a woman				
	Apr 23-27, 2014	19	9	71	1
	May 25-30, 2011	14	7	77	1
	August, 2007	15	12	72	1
b.	Attended a prestigious university such as Harvard or Yale				
	Apr 23-27, 2014	19	6	74	1
	February, 2007	22	5	72	1
c.	Is Hispanic				
	Apr 23-27, 2014	9	9	80	1
	May 25-30, 2011	8	11	80	1
	August, 2007	9	15	75	1
	February, 2007	4	14	80	2
d.	Is Catholic				
	Apr 23-27, 2014	9	8	81	1
	August, 2007	13	7	79	1
e.	Is an evangelical Christian				
	Apr 23-27, 2014	21	17	58	4
	August, 2007	19	16	60	5
f.	Does not believe in God				
	Apr 23-27, 2014	5	53	41	2
	May 25-30, 2011	5	61	33	2
	August, 2007	3	61	34	2
	February, 2007	3	63	32	2
g.	Has been a governor				
	Apr 23-27, 2014	33	5	59	3
	May 25-30, 2011	37	5	55	3

ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=736]:

h.F1	Has served in the military				
	Apr 23-27, 2014	43	4	53	1
	May 25-30, 2011	49	4	47	1
	February, 2007	48	3	48	1

Q.48 CONTINUED...

		More <u>likely</u>	Less <u>likely</u>	Wouldn't <u>matter</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
i.F1	Had an extramarital affair in the past				
	Apr 23-27, 2014	2	35	61	2
	May 25-30, 2011	2	46	49	3
	February, 2007	1	39	56	4
j.F1	Is in their 70s				
	Apr 23-27, 2014	6	36	55	3
	February, 2007	5	48	45	2

ASK ALL:

k.F1/p.F2	Is gay or lesbian				
	Apr 23-27, 2014 ¹	5	27	66	2
	May 25-30, 2011	3	33	62	2
	February, 2007	1	46	51	2

ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=736]:

l.F1	Has been an elected official in Washington for many years				
	Apr 23-27, 2014	19	30	48	3
	May 25-30, 2011	26	25	46	3
	February, 2007	35	15	45	5

ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=765]:

m.F2	Has been a business executive				
	Apr 23-27, 2014	33	13	53	2
	May 25-30, 2011	35	14	49	2
	February, 2007	28	13	56	3
n.F2	Has used marijuana in the past				
	Apr 23-27, 2014	6	22	70	2
	May 25-30, 2011	5	24	69	2
	TREND FOR COMPARISON: <i>Used drugs in the past</i>				
	February, 2007	2	45	47	6
o.F2	Is in their 40s				
	Apr 23-27, 2014	16	6	77	1
	February, 2007	18	8	73	1
q.F2	Has never held elected office before				
	Apr 23-27, 2014	9	52	37	2
	May 25-30, 2011	9	51	38	3
	February, 2007	7	56	35	2

ASK ALL:

Q.49 Which of the following types of experience do you think better prepares someone to be president?
[READ; RANDOMIZE]?

Apr 23-27 <u>2014</u>		Feb <u>2007</u>	Sep <u>2003</u>	Dec <u>1999</u>	Sep <u>1987</u>
44	Serving as a state's governor and gaining experience as the head of an administration	24	30	20	22
44	Serving as a U.S. senator or member of Congress and gaining experience in Washington and in foreign policy	55	52	56	66
4	Both equal (VOL.)	9	8	17	6
9	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	12	10	7	6

¹ A wording experiment tested two different items: "is homosexual" for Form 1 respondents and "is gay or lesbian" for Form 2 respondents. There were no significant differences between the two wordings, so the figures here show the combined responses. In surveys before April 2014, the item was "is homosexual."

**QUESTIONS 50-52, 60-62, 64-68, 75-78 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED
NO QUESTIONS 53-59, 63, 69-74**

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?

				(VOL.)	(VOL.)	(VOL.)	Lean	Lean
	<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>	No	Other	DK/Ref	Rep	Dem
				preference	party			
Apr 23-27, 2014	24	30	41	2	1	2	18	17
Jan 23-Mar 16, 2014	22	31	41	3	1	2	17	17
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
Yearly Totals								
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
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=658]:

	Agree	Disagree	No opinion either way	(VOL.) Haven't heard of	(VOL.) Refused	Not heard of/ DK
Apr 23-27, 2014	33	11	54	1	1	--
Jan 23-Mar 16, 2014	37	11	50	1	1	--
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	--
Feb 2-7, 2011 ²	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

² 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."

TEAPARTY3 CONTINUED...

	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>No opinion either way</u>	(VOL.) <u>Haven't heard of</u>	(VOL.) <u>Refused</u>	Not heard of/ <u>DK</u>
May 20-23, 2010	53	4	25	--	1	16
Mar 11-21, 2010	48	4	26	--	1	21