# PEW RESEARCH CENTER <br> JANUARY 2020 POLITICAL SURVEY <br> FINAL TOPLINE <br> JANUARY 8-13, 2020 $\mathrm{N}=1,504$ 

QUESTIONS 1-5, 10, $15-16,25-26,30-31,35,40-42,45-48,50-51,53,60$ HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

NO QUESTIONS 6-9, 11-14, 17-24, 27-29, 32-34, 36-39, 43-44, 49, 52, 54-59, 61-62

## ASK ALL

Q. 63 How much, if anything, have you read or heard about the U.S. airstrike that killed Iranian General Qassem Soleimani and the current situation with Iran? Have you heard [READ]:

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$\frac{\text { A lot }}{69} \quad \frac{\text { A little }}{27}$

| Nothing | (VOL.) |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\frac{\text { at all }}{3}$ | $\frac{\text { DK/Ref }}{*}$ |

ASK ALL
Q. 64 All in all, do you think the U.S. decision to conduct an airstrike that killed Iranian General Soleimani was the right decision or the wrong decision?

|  | Right <br> decision | Wrong <br> decision |
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| DK/Ref |  |  |

ROTATE Q. 65 AND Q. 66 BY FORM. ASK Q. 65 FIRST IF FORM=1, ASK Q. 66 FIRST IF FORM=2.
Q. 65 All in all, do you think the Trump administration's approach toward Iran has made the United States [READ AND RANDOMIZE WITH "HASN'T IT MADE MUCH DIFFERENCE" LAST]?

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| Safer | Less safe |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 48 |  |$\quad$| Hasn't it made |
| :---: |
| much difference |$\quad$| (VOL.) |
| :---: |
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ROTATE Q. 65 AND Q. 66 BY FORM. ASK Q. 65 FIRST IF FORM=1, ASK Q. 66 FIRST IF FORM=2.
Q. 66 All in all, do you think the Trump administration's approach toward Iran has [RANDOMIZE: increased/decreased] the likelihood of a major military conflict between the U.S. and Iran [RANDOMIZE: decreased/increased] the likelihood of a major military conflict between the U.S. and Iran, or not made much difference?

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$\frac{\text { Increased }}{54}$
Decreased
17
Not made
$\frac{\text { much difference }}{26}$
(VOL.)
$\frac{\mathrm{DK} / \text { Ref }}{2}$

ASK ALL:
Q. 67 How much do you trust what the Trump administration says about the situation with Iran? [READ IN ORDER]

Jan $8-13,2020 \quad \frac{\text { A great deal }}{23} \quad \frac{\text { A fair amount }}{22} \quad \frac{\text { Not too much }}{18} \quad \frac{\text { Not at all }}{35} \quad$| (VOL) |
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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?

|  | Republican | Democrat | Independent | (VOL.) <br> No preference | (VOL.) Other party | (VOL.) <br> DK/Ref | Lean <br> Rep | Lean Dem |
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| Jan 8-13, 2020 | 27 | 27 | 39 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 15 | 18 |
| Sep 5-16, 2019 | 26 | 29 | 39 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 15 | 18 |
| July 10-15, 2019 | 28 | 30 | 36 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 15 | 17 |
| Mar 20-25, 2019 | 26 | 30 | 37 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 14 | 19 |
| Jan 9-14, 2019 | 25 | 31 | 40 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 16 | 18 |
| Yearly Totals |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2019 | 26.4 | 30.2 | 37.9 | 2.5 | 1.0 | 2.1 | 15.1 | 18.0 |
| 2018 | 25.7 | 30.8 | 37.6 | 3.0 | . 8 | 2.0 | 14.7 | 18.3 |
| 2017 | 23.6 | 31.4 | 39.4 | 3.3 | . 6 | 1.7 | 15.8 | 18.7 |
| 2016 | 25.4 | 32.0 | 36.5 | 3.4 | . 5 | 2.2 | 14.6 | 17.0 |
| 2015 | 23.7 | 30.4 | 40.1 | 3.6 | . 4 | 1.8 | 16.4 | 17.3 |
| 2014 | 23.2 | 31.5 | 39.5 | 3.1 | . 7 | 2.0 | 16.2 | 16.5 |
| 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 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |

