

Topline Results

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Methodological notes:

- Survey results are based on national samples. For further details on sample designs, see Methodology section and our [international survey methods database](#).
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- Not all questions included in the Spring 2015 survey are presented in this topline. Omitted questions have either been previously released or will be released in future reports.

		Q5. Now thinking about your personal economic situation, how would you describe it — is it very good, somewhat good, somewhat bad or very bad?					
		Very good	Somewhat good	Somewhat bad	Very bad	DK/Refused	Total
China	Spring, 2015	6	66	18	2	8	100
	Spring, 2013	5	62	25	4	3	100
	Spring, 2012	6	63	20	4	7	100
	Spring, 2009	17	60	19	3	1	100
	Spring, 2008	3	63	28	4	2	100
	Spring, 2007	3	53	36	6	2	100

		Q7. Compared to your parents when they were the same age as you are now, do you think your own standard of living now is much better, somewhat better, about the same, somewhat worse or much worse than theirs was?							
		Much better	Somewhat better	About the same	Somewhat worse	Much worse	Parents did not live to the age of respondent (VOL)	DK/Refused	Total
China	Spring, 2015	51	45	3	1	0	0	0	100
	Spring, 2012	39	53	5	1	1	0	1	100

		Q8. Thinking about how you and your family were doing financially: Would you say you are better off today than you were five years ago, worse off today than you were five years ago or are you doing about the same today as you were five years ago?				
		Better off	Worse off	About the same	DK/Refused	Total
China	Spring, 2015	77	4	17	1	100
	Spring, 2012	70	5	21	3	100

		Q60a. Now I am going to read you a list of things that may be problems in our country. As I read each one, please tell me if you think it is a very big problem, a moderately big problem, a small problem or not a problem at all. a. crime					
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
China	Spring, 2015	23	51	22	2	2	100
	Spring, 2014	27	46	23	2	2	100
	Spring, 2013	24	38	26	9	4	100
	Spring, 2012	25	40	26	6	4	100
	Spring, 2008	17	44	30	5	4	100
	Spring, 2007	22	58	18	1	1	100
	Summer, 2002	40	49	8	2	1	100

		Q60bCHI. Now I am going to read you a list of things that may be problems in our country. As I read each one, please tell me if you think it is a very big problem, a moderately big problem, a small problem or not a problem at all. bCHI. corrupt officials					
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
China	Spring, 2015	44	40	12	2	2	100
	Spring, 2014	54	36	8	1	1	100
	Spring, 2013	53	31	10	2	4	100
	Spring, 2012	50	35	9	1	4	100
	Spring, 2008	39	39	14	1	6	100

		Q60d. Now I am going to read you a list of things that may be problems in our country. As I read each one, please tell me if you think it is a very big problem, a moderately big problem, a small problem or not a problem at all. d. health care					
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
China	Spring, 2015	25	37	29	6	2	100
	Spring, 2014	17	48	29	4	2	100
	Spring, 2013	23	40	25	9	3	100
	Spring, 2012	26	38	27	7	3	100
	Spring, 2008	12	39	40	6	2	100

		Q60e. Now I am going to read you a list of things that may be problems in our country. As I read each one, please tell me if you think it is a very big problem, a moderately big problem, a small problem or not a problem at all. e. traffic					
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
China	Spring, 2015	19	38	34	7	2	100
	Spring, 2014	13	39	37	10	2	100
	Spring, 2013	19	34	30	16	2	100
	Spring, 2012	18	37	28	13	3	100
	Spring, 2008	9	30	40	21	1	100

		Q60f. Now I am going to read you a list of things that may be problems in our country. As I read each one, please tell me if you think it is a very big problem, a moderately big problem, a small problem or not a problem at all. f. the gap between rich and poor					
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
China	Spring, 2015	33	42	18	4	3	100
	Spring, 2014	42	42	13	2	2	100
	Spring, 2013	52	35	9	2	2	100
	Spring, 2012	48	39	10	1	2	100
	Spring, 2008	41	48	9	0	1	100

		Q60h. Now I am going to read you a list of things that may be problems in our country. As I read each one, please tell me if you think it is a very big problem, a moderately big problem, a small problem or not a problem at all. h. air pollution					
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
China	Spring, 2015	35	41	18	4	2	100
	Spring, 2014	38	42	14	4	2	100
	Spring, 2013	47	36	12	4	2	100
	Spring, 2012	36	39	18	4	3	100
	Spring, 2008	31	43	21	3	1	100

		Q60i. Now I am going to read you a list of things that may be problems in our country. As I read each one, please tell me if you think it is a very big problem, a moderately big problem, a small problem or not a problem at all. i. corrupt business people					
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
China	Spring, 2015	21	40	24	6	8	100
	Spring, 2013	27	44	16	6	7	100
	Spring, 2012	32	41	19	3	6	100
	Spring, 2008	21	40	22	3	14	100

		Q60j. Now I am going to read you a list of things that may be problems in our country. As I read each one, please tell me if you think it is a very big problem, a moderately big problem, a small problem or not a problem at all. j. conditions for workers					
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
China	Spring, 2015	19	39	29	7	6	100
	Spring, 2013	23	38	23	8	7	100
	Spring, 2012	23	40	27	5	5	100
	Spring, 2008	13	43	31	4	9	100

		Q60k. Now I am going to read you a list of things that may be problems in our country. As I read each one, please tell me if you think it is a very big problem, a moderately big problem, a small problem or not a problem at all. k. unemployment					
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
China	Spring, 2015	20	35	32	8	4	100
	Spring, 2013	27	38	23	8	4	100
	Spring, 2012	24	40	27	6	3	100
	Spring, 2008	22	46	24	3	5	100

		Q60l. Now I am going to read you a list of things that may be problems in our country. As I read each one, please tell me if you think it is a very big problem, a moderately big problem, a small problem or not a problem at all. l. safety of food					
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
China	Spring, 2015	32	39	22	4	3	100
	Spring, 2014	40	40	16	3	1	100
	Spring, 2013	38	38	15	6	3	100
	Spring, 2012	41	39	15	2	3	100
	Spring, 2008	12	37	42	7	2	100

		Q60m. Now I am going to read you a list of things that may be problems in our country. As I read each one, please tell me if you think it is a very big problem, a moderately big problem, a small problem or not a problem at all. m. water pollution					
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
China	Spring, 2015	34	41	18	4	2	100
	Spring, 2014	32	44	18	5	1	100
	Spring, 2013	40	36	17	6	2	100
	Spring, 2012	33	37	20	7	3	100
	Spring, 2008	28	38	26	7	1	100

		Q60n. Now I am going to read you a list of things that may be problems in our country. As I read each one, please tell me if you think it is a very big problem, a moderately big problem, a small problem or not a problem at all. n. rising prices					
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
China	Spring, 2015	30	42	21	4	3	100
	Spring, 2014	38	50	11	1	1	100
	Spring, 2013	59	35	5	1	1	100
	Spring, 2012	60	32	6	1	1	100
	Spring, 2008	72	24	4	1	0	100

		Q60o. Now I am going to read you a list of things that may be problems in our country. As I read each one, please tell me if you think it is a very big problem, a moderately big problem, a small problem or not a problem at all. o. quality of manufactured goods					
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
China	Spring, 2015	28	43	22	5	2	100
	Spring, 2013	31	40	20	6	3	100
	Spring, 2012	33	45	17	2	2	100
	Spring, 2008	13	42	38	5	2	100

		Q60p. Now I am going to read you a list of things that may be problems in our country. As I read each one, please tell me if you think it is a very big problem, a moderately big problem, a small problem or not a problem at all. p. education					
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
China	Spring, 2015	21	39	30	6	3	100
	Spring, 2013	24	34	30	10	2	100
	Spring, 2012	23	36	29	9	3	100
	Spring, 2008	11	31	42	13	4	100

		Q60q. Now I am going to read you a list of things that may be problems in our country. As I read each one, please tell me if you think it is a very big problem, a moderately big problem, a small problem or not a problem at all. q. safety of medicine					
		Very big problem	Moderately big problem	Small problem	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
China	Spring, 2015	28	42	22	4	3	100
	Spring, 2013	27	43	20	7	3	100
	Spring, 2012	28	43	22	3	4	100
	Spring, 2008	9	37	42	9	3	100

		Q62a. For each of the following problems, please tell me if you think it will get better, get worse or stay the same in the next five years. a. corruption				
		Better	Worse	Stay the same	DK/Refused	Total
China	Spring, 2015	63	18	15	4	100

		Q62b. For each of the following problems, please tell me if you think it will get better, get worse or stay the same in the next five years. b. the gap between rich and poor				
		Better	Worse	Stay the same	DK/Refused	Total
China	Spring, 2015	35	31	25	8	100

		Q62c. For each of the following problems, please tell me if you think it will get better, get worse or stay the same in the next five years. c. air pollution				
		Better	Worse	Stay the same	DK/Refused	Total
China	Spring, 2015	36	34	22	8	100

		Q62d. For each of the following problems, please tell me if you think it will get better, get worse or stay the same in the next five years. d. water pollution				
		Better	Worse	Stay the same	DK/Refused	Total
China	Spring, 2015	37	34	22	7	100

		Q62e. For each of the following problems, please tell me if you think it will get better, get worse or stay the same in the next five years. e. safety of food				
		Better	Worse	Stay the same	DK/Refused	Total
China	Spring, 2015	43	27	22	8	100

		Q141. Which of the following comes closer to your view? I like the pace of modern life OR I do not like the pace of modern life.			
		Like pace of modern life	Do not like pace of modern life	DK/Refused	Total
China	Spring, 2015	66	26	8	100
	Spring, 2012	59	31	10	100
	Spring, 2008	71	25	5	100
	Summer, 2002	65	28	7	100

		Q142. Which of these comes closer to your view? Our traditional way of life is getting lost OR our traditional way of life remains strong.			
		Our traditional way of life is getting lost	Our traditional way of life remains strong	DK/Refused	Total
China	Spring, 2015	66	29	5	100
	Spring, 2012	57	29	14	100
	Spring, 2008	59	37	4	100
	Spring, 2007	60	35	5	100
	Summer, 2002	68	27	5	100

		Q143. And finally, which comes closer to your view? Consumerism and commercialism are a threat to our culture OR consumerism and commercialism are not a threat to our culture.			
		Consumerism and commercialism are a threat to our culture	Consumerism and commercialism are not a threat to our culture	DK/Refused	Total
China	Spring, 2015	53	34	14	100
	Spring, 2012	43	32	25	100

		Q144a. Please tell me whether you completely agree, mostly agree, mostly disagree or completely disagree with the following statements. a. our way of life needs to be protected against foreign influence					
		Completely agree	Mostly agree	Mostly disagree	Completely disagree	DK/Refused	Total
China	Spring, 2015	30	49	15	2	5	100
	Spring, 2012	25	46	17	4	8	100
	Spring, 2009	30	51	16	2	2	100
	Spring, 2007	19	51	23	3	4	100
	Spring, 2006	22	47	21	3	6	100
	Summer, 2002	27	37	23	8	5	100