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PEW RESEARCH CENTER

## PEW RESEARCH CENTER <br> SEPTEMBER 2014 RELIGION \& POLITICS SURVEY <br> FINAL TOPLINE <br> September 2-9, 2014 <br> $\mathbf{N}=\mathbf{2 , 0 0 2}$

## RANDOMIZE Q. 1 AND Q. 2

ASK ALL:
Q. 1 Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President? [IF DK ENTER AS DK. IF DEPENDS PROBE ONCE WITH: Overall do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President? IF STILL DEPENDS ENTER AS DK]

|  | Approve | DisApprove | (VOL.) <br> DK/Ref |  | Approve | DisApprove | (VOL.) <br> DK/Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sep 2-9, 2014 | 42 | 50 | 8 | May 5-8, 2011 | 50 | 39 | 11 |
| Aug 20-24, 2014 (U) | 42 | 50 | 8 | May 2, 2011 (WP) | 56 | 38 | 6 |
| Jul 8-14, 2014 | 44 | 49 | 6 | Mar 30-Apr 3, 2011 | 47 | 45 | 8 |
| Apr 23-27, 2014 (U) | 44 | 50 | 7 | Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011 | 51 | 39 | 10 |
| Feb 27-Mar 16, 2014 | 44 | 49 | 7 | Feb 2-7, 2011 | 49 | 42 | 9 |
| Feb 14-23, 2014 | 44 | 48 | 8 | Jan 5-9, 2011 | 46 | 44 | 10 |
| Jan 15-19, 2014 (U) | 43 | 49 | 8 | Dec 1-5, 2010 | 45 | 43 | 13 |
| Dec 3-8, 2013 (U) | 45 | 49 | 6 | Nov 4-7, 2010 | 44 | 44 | 12 |
| Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013 | 41 | 53 | 6 | Oct 13-18, 2010 | 46 | 45 | 9 |
| Oct 9-13, 2013 | 43 | 51 | 6 | Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010 | 47 | 44 | 9 |
| Sep 4-8, 2013 (U) | 44 | 49 | 8 | Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010 | 47 | 41 | 12 |
| Jul 17-21, 2013 | 46 | 46 | 7 | Jun 8-28, 2010 | 48 | 41 | 11 |
| Jun 12-16, 2013 | 49 | 43 | 7 | Jun 16-20, 2010 | 48 | 43 | 9 |
| May 1-5, 2013 | 51 | 43 | 6 | May 6-9, 2010 | 47 | 42 | 11 |
| Mar 13-17, 2013 | 47 | 46 | 8 | Apr 21-26, 2010 | 47 | 42 | 11 |
| Feb 13-18, 2013 (U) | 51 | 41 | 7 | Apr 8-11, 2010 | 48 | 43 | 9 |
| Jan 9-13, 2013 | 52 | 40 | 7 | Mar 10-14, 2010 | 46 | 43 | 12 |
| Dec 5-9, 2012 | 55 | 39 | 6 | Feb 3-9, 2010 | 49 | 39 | 12 |
| Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012 | 50 | 43 | 7 | Jan 6-10, 2010 | 49 | 42 | 10 |
| Jun 7-17, 2012 | 47 | 45 | 8 | Dec 9-13, 2009 | 49 | 40 | 11 |
| May 9-Jun 3, 2012 | 46 | 42 | 11 | Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009 | 51 | 36 | 13 |
| Apr 4-15, 2012 | 46 | 45 | 9 | Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009 | 52 | 36 | 12 |
| Mar 7-11, 2012 | 50 | 41 | 9 | Sep 10-15, 2009 | 55 | 33 | 13 |
| Feb 8-12, 2012 | 47 | 43 | 10 | Aug 20-27, 2009 | 52 | 37 | 12 |
| Jan 11-16, 2012 | 44 | 48 | 8 | Aug 11-17, 2009 | 51 | 37 | 11 |
| Dec 7-11, 2011 | 46 | 43 | 11 | Jul 22-26, 2009 | 54 | 34 | 12 |
| Nov 9-14, 2011 | 46 | 46 | 8 | Jun 10-14, 2009 | 61 | 30 | 9 |
| Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011 | 43 | 48 | 9 | Apr 14-21, 2009 | 63 | 26 | 11 |
| Aug 17-21, 2011 | 43 | 49 | 7 | Mar 31-Apr 6, 2009 | 61 | 26 | 13 |
| Jul 20-24, 2011 | 44 | 48 | 8 | Mar 9-12, 2009 | 59 | 26 | 15 |
| Jun 15-19, 2011 | 46 | 45 | 8 | Feb 4-8, 2009 | 64 | 17 | 19 |
| May 25-30, 2011 | 52 | 39 | 10 |  |  |  |  |

See past presidents' approval trends: George W. Bush, Bill Clinton

## RANDOMIZE Q. 1 AND Q. 2 <br> ASK ALL:

Q. 2 All in all, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way things are going in this country today?

Sep 2-9, 2014
Aug 20-24, 2014
Jul 8-14, 2014
Apr 23-27, 2014
Feb 12-26, 2014
Jan 15-19, 2014
Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013
Oct 9-13, 2013
Jul 17-21, 2013
May 1-5, 2013
Feb 13-18, 2013 (U)
Jan 9-13, 2013
Dec 17-19, 2012
Dec 5-9, 2012
Oct 18-21, 2012
Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012
Jun 7-17, 2012
May 9-Jun 3, 2012
Apr 4-15, 2012
Feb 8-12, 2012
Jan 11-16, 2012
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011
Aug 17-21, 2011
Jul 20-24, 2011
Jun 15-19, 2011
May 5-8, 2011
May 2, 2011
Mar 8-14, 2011
Feb 2-7, 2011
Jan 5-9, 2011
Dec 1-5, 2010
Nov 4-7, 2010
Sep 23-26, 2010
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010
Jun 24-27, 2010
May 13-16, 2010
Apr 21-26, 2010
Apr 1-5, 2010
Mar 11-21, 2010
Mar 10-14, 2010
Feb 3-9, 2010
Jan 6-10, 2010
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009
Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009
Sep 10-15, $2009^{1}$
Aug 20-27, 2009
Aug 11-17, 2009
Jul 22-26, 2009
Jun 10-14, 2009
Apr 28-May 12, 2009
Apr 14-21, 2009

[^0]| Satis- | Dis- | (VOL.) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| fied | satisfied | DK/Ref |
| 25 | 71 | 4 |
| 24 | 72 | 4 |
| 29 | 68 | 4 |
| 29 | 65 | 6 |
| 28 | 66 | 6 |
| 26 | 69 | 5 |
| 21 | 75 | 3 |
| 14 | 81 | 5 |
| 27 | 67 | 6 |
| 30 | 65 | 5 |
| 31 | 64 | 5 |
| 30 | 66 | 4 |
| 25 | 68 | 7 |
| 33 | 62 | 5 |
| 32 | 61 | 8 |
| 31 | 64 | 5 |
| 28 | 68 | 5 |
| 29 | 64 | 7 |
| 24 | 69 | 6 |
| 28 | 66 | 6 |
| 21 | 75 | 4 |
| 17 | 78 | 5 |
| 17 | 79 | 4 |
| 17 | 79 | 4 |
| 23 | 73 | 4 |
| 30 | 62 | 8 |
| 32 | 60 | 8 |
| 22 | 73 | 5 |
| 26 | 68 | 5 |
| 23 | 71 | 6 |
| 21 | 72 | 7 |
| 23 | 69 | 8 |
| 30 | 63 | 7 |
| 25 | 71 | 5 |
| 27 | 64 | 9 |
| 28 | 64 | 7 |
| 29 | 66 | 5 |
| 31 | 63 | 6 |
| 25 | 69 | 5 |
| 23 | 71 | 7 |
| 23 | 71 | 6 |
| 27 | 69 | 4 |
| 25 | 67 | 7 |
| 25 | 67 | 7 |
| 30 | 64 | 7 |
| 28 | 65 | 7 |
| 28 | 65 | 7 |
| 28 | 66 | 6 |
| 30 | 64 | 5 |
| 34 | 58 | 8 |
| 23 | 70 | 7 |

## Q. 2 CONTINUED...

|  | Satis- <br> fied | Dis- <br> satisfied | (VOL.) <br> DK/Ref |  | Satis- <br> fied | Dis- <br> satisfied | (VOL.) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| November, 1998 | $\frac{46}{\text { DK/Ref }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |

NO QUESTIONS 3-4
ASK ALL:
The Congressional elections will be coming up later this year.
THOUGHT How much thought have you given to the coming November election... Quite a lot or only a little?

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1,552]:

|  | Quite <br> a lot | (VOL.) Some | Only a little | (VOL.) <br> None | (VOL.) <br> DK/Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2014 Election |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sep 2-9, 2014 | 51 | 3 | 42 | 3 | 1 |
| Aug 20-24, 2014 (U) | 49 | 3 | 44 | 3 | 1 |
| 2012 Election |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct 24-28, 2012 | 78 | 3 | 15 | 3 | 1 |
| Oct 4-7, 2012 | 73 | 3 | 21 | 2 | 1 |
| Sep 12-16, 2012 | 70 | 4 | 23 | 2 | 1 |
| Jul 16-26, 2012 | 61 | 5 | 28 | 6 | 1 |
| Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012 | 65 | 3 | 29 | 3 | * |
| Jun 7-17, 2012 | 67 | 1 | 30 | 2 | 1 |
| May 9-Jun 3, 2012 | 61 | 2 | 33 | 3 | 1 |
| Apr 4-15, 2012 | 64 | 2 | 30 | 4 | 1 |
| Mar 7-11, 2012 | 66 | 2 | 30 | 1 | 1 |
| 2010 Election |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct 13-18, 2010 | 55 | 4 | 34 | 5 | 1 |
| Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010 | 50 | 5 | 42 | 3 | 1 |
| Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010 | 44 | 5 | 44 | 6 | 1 |
| 2008 Election |  |  |  |  |  |
| November, 2008 | 81 | 3 | 13 | 2 | 1 |
| Late October, 2008 | 81 | 3 | 13 | 2 | 1 |
| Mid-October, 2008 | 81 | 3 | 13 | 3 | * |
| Early October, 2008 | 81 | 2 | 14 | 2 | 1 |
| Late September, 2008 | 80 | 3 | 14 | 2 | 1 |
| Mid-September, 2008 | 78 | 4 | 14 | 3 | 1 |
| August, 2008 | 74 | 6 | 17 | 2 | 1 |
| July, 2008 | 74 | 2 | 20 | 3 | 1 |
| June, 2008 | 72 | 2 | 23 | 2 | 1 |
| Late May, 2008 | 75 | 4 | 17 | 3 | 1 |
| April, 2008 | 77 | 7 | 13 | 2 | 1 |
| March, 2008 | 78 | 3 | 15 | 3 | 1 |
| Late February, 2008 | 74 | 3 | 19 | 2 | 2 |

THOUGHT CONTINUED...

| THOUGHT | Quite <br> a lot | (VOL.) Some | Only a little | (VOL.) None | (VOL.) DK/Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2006 Election |  |  |  |  |  |
| November, 2006 | 61 | 5 | 28 | 4 | 1 |
| Late October, 2006 | 54 | 6 | 35 | 5 | 1 |
| Early October, 2006 | 51 | 4 | 40 | 4 | 2 |
| September, 2006 | 45 | 4 | 48 | 3 | 1 |
| 2004 Election |  |  |  |  |  |
| November, 2004 | 82 | 3 | 12 | 2 | 1 |
| Mid-October, 2004 | 76 | 5 | 15 | 3 | 1 |
| Early October, 2004 | 74 | 4 | 19 | 2 | 1 |
| September, 2004 | 71 | 3 | 22 | 3 | 1 |
| August, 2004 | 69 | 2 | 26 | 2 | 1 |
| July, 2004 | 67 | 2 | 28 | 2 | 1 |
| June, 2004 | 58 | 3 | 36 | 2 | 1 |
| May, 2004 | 59 | 6 | 30 | 4 | 1 |
| Late March, 2004 | 60 | 4 | 31 | 4 | 1 |
| Mid-March, 2004 | 65 | 2 | 31 | 2 | * |
| 2002 Election |  |  |  |  |  |
| Early November, 2002 | 52 | 6 | 35 | 6 | 1 |
| Early October, 2002 | 45 | 6 | 45 | 4 | 1 |
| Early September, 2002 | 36 | 5 | 54 | 4 | 1 |
| 2000 Election |  |  |  |  |  |
| November, 2000 | 72 | 6 | 19 | 2 | 1 |
| Late October, 2000 | 66 | 6 | 24 | 4 | * |
| Mid-October, 2000 | 67 | 9 | 19 | 4 | 1 |
| Early October, 2000 | 60 | 8 | 27 | 4 | 1 |
| September, 2000 | 59 | 8 | 29 | 3 | 1 |
| July, 2000 | 46 | 6 | 45 | 3 | * |
| June, 2000 | 46 | 6 | 43 | 5 | * |
| May, 2000 | 48 | 4 | 42 | 5 | 1 |
| April, 2000 | 45 | 7 | 41 | 7 | * |
| 1998 Election |  |  |  |  |  |
| Late October, 1998 | 49 | 11 | 35 | 4 | 1 |
| Early October, 1998 | 42 | 8 | 43 | 6 | 1 |
| 1996 Election |  |  |  |  |  |
| November, 1996 | 67 | 8 | 22 | 3 | * |
| October, 1996 | 65 | 7 | 26 | 1 | 1 |
| Late September, 1996 | 61 | 7 | 29 | 2 | 1 |
| Early September, 1996 | 56 | 3 | 36 | 4 | 1 |
| July, 1996 | 55 | 3 | 41 | 1 | * |
| June, 1996 | 50 | 5 | 41 | 3 | 1 |
| 1994 Election |  |  |  |  |  |
| November, 1994 | 56 | 7 | 32 | 4 | 1 |
| Late October, 1994 | 45 | 7 | 45 | 2 | 1 |
| Early October, 1994 | 44 | 2 | 50 | 3 | 1 |
| 1992 Election |  |  |  |  |  |
| Early October, 1992 | 77 | 5 | 16 | 1 | 1 |
| September, 1992 | 69 | 3 | 26 | 1 | 1 |
| August, 1992 | 72 | 4 | 23 | 1 | * |
| June, 1992 | 63 | 6 | 29 | 1 | 1 |
| 1990 Election |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gallup: October, 1990 (GP) ${ }^{2}$ | 43 | 7 | 46 | 4 |  |
| 1988 Election |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gallup: November, 1988 | 73 | 8 | 17 | 2 |  |
| Gallup: October, 1988 | 69 | 9 | 20 | 2 |  |
| Gallup: September, 1988 | 57 | 18 | 23 | 2 |  |
| Gallup: August, 1988 | 61 | 10 | 27 | 2 |  |

[^1]THOUGHT CONTINUED...

| THOUGHT |  |  |  | (VOL.) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Quite a lot | (VOL.) Some | Only a little | None/ DK/Ref |
| 1982 Election |  |  |  |  |
| Gallup: October, 1982 (GP) | 29 | 22 | 37 | 12 |
| 1978 Election |  |  |  |  |
| Gallup: October, 1978 (GP) | 23 | 22 | 39 | 17 |
| Gallup: September, 1978 (G) | P) 21 | 18 | 44 | 18 |

## ASK ALL:

PRECINCT Have you ever voted in your precinct or election district?

## BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [ $\mathrm{N}=1,552$ ]:

| Sep 2-9 |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\underline{2014}$ |  |
| 91 | Yes |
| 8 | No |
| * | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) |

## ASK ALL:

Q. 5 Would you say you follow what's going on in government and public affairs [READ]?

|  | Most of the time | Some of the time | Only now and then | Hardly at all | (VOL.) DK/Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sep 2-9, 2014 | 51 | 25 | 14 | 9 | 1 |
| Jan 23-Mar 16, 2014 | 48 | 29 | 14 | 9 | * |
| Oct 31-Nov 3, 2012 (RVs) | 69 | 21 | 7 | 3 | * |
| Oct 24-28, 2012 | 51 | 27 | 13 | 9 | 1 |
| Oct 4-7, 2012 (RVs) | 65 | 23 | 8 | 4 | * |
| Sep 12-16, 2012 (RVs) | 60 | 26 | 10 | 4 | * |
| Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011 | 47 | 28 | 15 | 8 | 1 |
| Feb 22-Mar 14, 2011 | 50 | 29 | 14 | 6 | 1 |
| Oct 27-30, 2010 (RVs) | 56 | 29 | 10 | 5 | * |
| Oct 13-18, 2010 | 49 | 28 | 12 | 10 | 1 |
| Aug 25-Sep 6, $2010{ }^{3}$ | 52 | 25 | 13 | 10 | 1 |
| January, 2007 | 53 | 28 | 11 | 7 | 1 |
| November, 2006 (RVs) | 58 | 26 | 10 | 6 | * |
| Late October, 2006 (RVs) | 57 | 30 | 8 | 5 | * |
| December, 2005 | 50 | 28 | 14 | 8 | * |
| December, 2004 | 45 | 35 | 14 | 5 | 1 |
| November, 2004 (RVs) | 61 | 27 | 9 | 3 | * |
| Mid-October, 2004 (RVs) | 63 | 26 | 8 | 3 | * |
| June, 2004 | 44 | 34 | 15 | 7 | * |
| August, 2003 | 48 | 33 | 12 | 6 | 1 |
| November, 2002 | 49 | 27 | 14 | 9 | 1 |
| August, 2002 | 54 | 30 | 11 | 5 | * |
| March, 2001 | 49 | 27 | 13 | 10 | 1 |
| Early November, 2000 (RVs) | 51 | 32 | 12 | 5 | * |
| September, 2000 (RVs) | 51 | 34 | 10 | 4 | 1 |
| June, 2000 | 38 | 32 | 19 | 11 | * |
| Late September, 1999 | 39 | 32 | 20 | 9 | * |
| August, 1999 | 40 | 35 | 17 | 8 | * |
| November, 1998 | 46 | 27 | 14 | 13 | * |
| Late October, 1998 (RVs) | 57 | 29 | 10 | 4 | * |

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## Q. 5 CONTINUED...

| Q.5 | Most of the time | Some of the time | Only now and then | Hardly at all | (VOL.) <br> DK/Ref |
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| Early October, 1998 (RVs) | 51 | 33 | 11 | 5 | * |
| Early September, 1998 | 45 | 34 | 15 | 6 | * |
| June, 1998 | 36 | 34 | 21 | 9 | * |
| November, 1997 | 41 | 36 | 16 | 7 | * |
| November, 1996 (RVs) | 52 | 32 | 12 | 4 | * |
| October, 1996 (RVs) | 43 | 37 | 13 | 6 | 1 |
| June, 1996 | 41 | 34 | 17 | 8 | * |
| October, 1995 | 46 | 35 | 14 | 5 | * |
| April, 1995 | 43 | 35 | 16 | 6 | * |
| November, 1994 | 49 | 30 | 13 | 7 | 1 |
| October, 1994 | 45 | 35 | 14 | 6 | * |
| July, 1994 | 46 | 33 | 15 | 6 | * |
| May, 1990 | 39 | 34 | 18 | 9 | * |
| February, 1989 | 47 | 34 | 14 | 4 | 1 |
| October, 1988 (RVs) | 52 | 33 | 12 | 3 | * |
| May, 1988 | 37 | 37 | 17 | 6 | 3 |
| January, 1988 | 37 | 35 | 18 | 8 | 2 |
| November, 1987 | 49 | 32 | 14 | 4 | 1 |
| May, 1987 | 41 | 35 | 15 | 7 | 2 |
| July, 1985 | 36 | 33 | 18 | 12 | 1 |

## ASK ALL:

OFTVOTE How often would you say you vote... [READ]
BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [ $\mathbf{N}=1,552$ ]

Sep 2-9, 2014
Jul 8-14, 2014
Jan 23-Mar 16, 2014
Oct 31-Nov 3, 2012
Oct 24-28, 2012
Oct 4-7, 2012
Sep 12-16, 2012
Jun 7-17, 2012
Apr 4-15, 2012
Jan 4-8, 2012
Feb 22-Mar 14, 2011
Oct 27-30, 2010
Oct 13-18, 2010
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010
June 16-20, 2010
Mar 31-Apr 6, 2009
November, 2008
Late October, 2008
Mid-October, 2008
Early October, 2008
Late September, 2008
Mid-September, 2008
August, 2008
July, 2008
January, 2007
November, 2006
Late October, 2006
Early October, 2006

| Always | Nearly <br> always | Part of <br> the <br> time | Seldom |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 27 | 10 | 4 |
| 61 | 25 | 10 | 4 |
| 62 | 24 | 8 | 5 |
| 59 | 23 | 7 | 5 |
| 67 | 24 | 8 | 5 |
| 64 | 22 | 6 | 4 |
| 64 | 24 | 6 | 4 |
| 57 | 29 | 8 | 4 |
| 60 | 24 | 8 | 4 |
| 62 | 24 | 8 | 6 |
| 58 | 24 | 11 | 4 |
| 57 | 27 | 10 | 4 |
| 59 | 26 | 9 | 4 |
| 52 | 31 | 11 | 5 |
| 62 | 23 | 7 | 5 |
| 60 | 23 | 8 | 5 |
| 57 | 26 | 8 | 5 |
| 57 | 27 | 7 | 5 |
| 53 | 27 | 9 | 6 |
| 55 | 27 | 9 | 6 |
| 54 | 28 | 10 | 5 |
| 55 | 29 | 9 | 4 |
| 53 | 30 | 10 | 4 |
| 58 | 29 | 9 | 3 |
| 58 | 26 | 8 | 5 |
| 58 | 27 | 9 | 4 |
| 47 | 36 | 10 | 3 |


| (VOL.) <br> Never <br> vote | (VOL.) <br> (Vther | (VOL.) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | $*$ | $*$ |
| 2 | $*$ | $*$ |
| 1 | $*$ | $*$ |
| 2 | 1 | $*$ |
| 3 | 1 | $*$ |
| 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 2 | 1 | $*$ |
| 1 | $*$ | $*$ |
| 1 | $*$ | $*$ |
| 1 | 1 | $*$ |
| 1 | $*$ | $*$ |
| 2 | 1 | $*$ |
| 2 | 1 | $*$ |
| 1 | $*$ | $*$ |
| 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 2 | 2 | $*$ |
| 3 | 1 | $*$ |
| 3 | 1 | $*$ |
| 3 | 1 | 1 |
| 2 | 1 | $*$ |
| 2 | 1 | $*$ |
| 2 | 1 | $*$ |
| 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 1 | $*$ | $*$ |
| 2 | 1 | $*$ |
| 1 | 1 | $*$ |
| 2 | 1 | 1 |


| OFTVOTE CONTINUED... | Always | Nearly always | Part of the time | Seldom | (VOL.) <br> Never vote | (VOL.) <br> Other | (VOL.) <br> DK/Ref |
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|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| September, 2006 | 56 | 28 | 9 | 6 | 1 | * | * |
| May, 2006 | 60 | 26 | 8 | 4 | 1 | * | 1 |
| December, 2005 | 60 | 24 | 9 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| December, 2004 | 64 | 22 | 8 | 4 | 1 | * | 1 |
| November, 2004 | 62 | 21 | 7 | 6 | 3 | 1 | * |
| Mid-October, 2004 | 63 | 22 | 7 | 5 | 2 | 1 | * |
| Early October, 2004 | 58 | 25 | 9 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| September, 2004 | 58 | 27 | 9 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| August, 2004 | 56 | 28 | 9 | 5 | 2 | * | 1 |
| July, 2004 | 54 | 31 | 9 | 4 | 1 | * | * |
| June, 2004 | 57 | 29 | 7 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| May, 2004 | 56 | 27 | 10 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| April, 2004 | 55 | 29 | 9 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Late March, 2004 | 50 | 31 | 11 | 6 | 1 | * | 1 |
| Mid-March, 2004 | 55 | 30 | 9 | 5 | 1 | * | * |
| February, 2004 | 55 | 29 | 12 | 3 | * | * | * |
| January, 2004 | 54 | 30 | 10 | 4 | 2 | 1 | * |
| August, 2003 | 53 | 30 | 10 | 5 | 1 | * | * |
| June, 2003 | 48 | 36 | 11 | 3 | 1 | * | 0 |
| Early November, 2002 | 52 | 30 | 11 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Early October, 2002 | 50 | 33 | 11 | 4 | * | 1 | 1 |
| Early September, 2002 | 59 | 25 | 11 | 4 | 1 | * | * |
| August, 2002 | 53 | 32 | 10 | 4 | 1 | * | * |
| May, 2002 | 53 | 31 | 9 | 5 | 1 | * | 1 |
| Early November, 2000 | 57 | 26 | 8 | 6 | 2 | 1 | * |
| Late October, 2000 | 52 | 30 | 9 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Mid-October, 2000 | 54 | 27 | 10 | 6 | * | 3 | * |
| Early October, 2000 | 51 | 29 | 10 | 6 | 3 | 1 | * |
| September, 2000 | 61 | 21 | 9 | 7 | 2 | * | * |
| July, 2000 | 48 | 30 | 13 | 6 | 2 | 1 | * |
| June, 2000 | 58 | 26 | 10 | 4 | 1 | 1 | * |
| May, 2000 | 52 | 29 | 12 | 6 | 1 | 1 | * |
| April, 2000 | 50 | 30 | 12 | 6 | 2 | 1 | * |
| March, 2000 | 49 | 34 | 12 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| February, 2000 | 53 | 32 | 10 | 4 | 1 | 0 | * |
| January, 2000 | 50 | 34 | 12 | 4 | 1 | * | * |
| October, 1999 | 39 | 47 | 9 | 2 | 1 | * | * |
| Late September, 1999 | 40 | 47 | 9 | 3 | 1 | * | * |
| Late October, 1998 | 56 | 28 | 10 | 5 | 1 | * | * |
| Early October, 1998 | 50 | 32 | 11 | 5 | 1 | 1 | * |
| Early September, 1998 | 53 | 33 | 9 | 4 | - | 1 | * |
| Late August, 1998 | 48 | 35 | 13 | 4 | * | 0 | * |
| June, 1998 | 49 | 33 | 12 | 5 | - | 1 | 0 |
| May, 1998 | 52 | 29 | 12 | 6 | 1 | 1 | * |
| November, 1997 | 42 | 44 | 10 | 3 | 1 | * | * |
| October, 1997 | 62 | 26 | 8 | 3 | 1 | * | * |
| June, 1997 | 54 | 30 | 10 | 4 | 1 | * | * |
| November, 1996 | 55 | 28 | 8 | 6 | 2 | 1 | * |
| October, 1996 | 52 | 30 | 9 | 5 | 2 | 2 | * |
| Late September, 1996 | 52 | 31 | 10 | 4 | 2 | 1 | * |
| Early September, 1996 | 53 | 29 | 12 | 4 | 1 | * | * |
| July, 1996 | 52 | 33 | 8 | 5 | 1 | 1 | * |
| June, 1996 | 52 | 33 | 9 | 4 | 1 | 1 | * |
| Late April, 1996 | 44 | 37 | 11 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Early April, 1996 | 49 | 35 | 10 | 5 | 1 | * | * |
| February, 1996 | 42 | 41 | 11 | 4 | 1 | 1 | * |


| OFTVOTE CONTINUED... | Always | Nearly always | Part of the time | Seldom | (VOL.) Never vote | (VOL.) Other | (VOL.) <br> DK/Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| October, 1995 | 53 | 35 | 7 | 4 | 1 | * | * |
| April, 1995 | 53 | 34 | 9 | 4 | * | * | * |
| November, 1994 | 58 | 28 | 8 | 5 | * | 1 | 0 |
| Late October, 1994 | 55 | 32 | 10 | 3 | * | * | * |
| July, 1994 | 52 | 34 | 10 | 4 | * | * | * |
| May, 1993 | 57 | 31 | 7 | 4 | 1 | 1 | * |
| Early October, 1992 | 54 | 33 | 8 | 4 | * | 1 | * |
| September, 1992 | 52 | 33 | 8 | 5 | 1 | 1 | * |
| June, 1992 | 60 | 29 | 7 | 3 | 1 | * | * |
| May, 1992 | 50 | 35 | 10 | 4 | 1 | * | * |
| Early May, 1992 | 49 | 35 | 10 | 4 | 1 | * | * |
| March, 1992 | 47 | 36 | 11 | 6 | * | * | * |
| February, 1992 | 50 | 36 | 9 | 4 | * | -- | 2 |
| January 1992 (GP) ${ }^{4}$ | 40 | 35 | 11 | 11 | 4 | -- | * |
| November, 1991 | 46 | 41 | 9 | 4 | * | * | * |
| May, 1990 | 42 | 42 | 11 | 4 | 1 | * | * |
| January, 1989 (GP) | 45 | 30 | 10 | 8 | 6 | 1 | * |
| Gallup: November, 1988 | 57 | 26 | 10 | 4 | 2 | 1 | * |
| October, 1988 | 51 | 37 | 8 | 3 | 1 | * | * |
| May, 1988 | 43 | 41 | 11 | 3 | 2 | 1 | * |
| January, 1988 | 49 | 39 | 9 | 2 | 1 | * | * |
| September, 1988 | 51 | 40 | 6 | 2 | * | 1 | * |
| May, 1987 | 43 | 43 | 9 | 3 | 1 | 1 | * |

## ASK ALL:

Q. 6 If the elections for U.S. Congress were being held TODAY, would you vote for [RANDOMIZE: "the Republican Party's candidate" OR "the Democratic Party's candidate"] for Congress in your district?
ASK IF 'OTHER' 'DON'T KNOW/REFUSED' (Q.6=3,9):
Q. 7 As of TODAY, do you LEAN more to the [READ IN SAME ORDER AS Q.6; IF NECESSARY: "for U.S. Congress in your district"]?

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [ $\mathrm{N}=1,552$ ]:

|  | Rep/ <br> Lean Rep | Dem/ <br> Lean Dem | (VOL.) <br> Other/ <br> DK/Ref |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sep 2-9, 2014 | 42 | 47 |  |
| Aug 20-24, 2014 (U) | 42 | 47 | 11 |
| Jul 8-14, 2014 | 45 | 47 | 11 |
| Apr 23-27, 2014 (U) | 47 | 43 | 9 |
| Feb 12-26, 2014 | 44 | 46 | 9 |
| Dec 3-8, 2013 (U) | 44 | 48 | 10 |
| Oct 9-13, 2013 | 43 | 49 | 8 |
| 2012 Election |  |  | 8 |
| Jun 7-17, 2012 | 43 | 47 | 10 |
| Aug 17-21, 2011 | 44 | 48 | 8 |
| 2010 Election |  |  |  |
| Oct 27-30, 2010 | 43 | 44 | 12 |
| Oct 13-18, 2010 | 46 | 42 | 12 |
| Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010 | 44 | 47 | 9 |
| Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010 | 44 | 45 | 11 |
| Jun 16-20, 2010 | 45 | 45 | 10 |
| Mar 11-21, 2010 | 44 | 44 | 12 |
| Feb 3-9, 2010 | 42 | 45 | 13 |

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## Q.6/7 CONTINUED...

|  | Rep/ <br> Lean Rep | Dem/ Lean Dem | (VOL.) Other/ DK/Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jan 6-10, 2010 | 44 | 46 | 10 |
| Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009 | 42 | 47 | 11 |
| Aug 20-27, 2009 | 44 | 45 | 10 |
| 2008 Election |  |  |  |
| June, 2008 | 37 | 52 | 11 |
| 2006 Election |  |  |  |
| November, 2006 | 40 | 48 | 12 |
| Late October, 2006 | 38 | 49 | 13 |
| Early October, 2006 | 38 | 51 | 11 |
| September, 2006 | 39 | 50 | 11 |
| August, 2006 | 41 | 50 | 9 |
| June, 2006 | 39 | 51 | 10 |
| April, 2006 | 41 | 51 | 8 |
| February, 2006 | 41 | 50 | 9 |
| Mid-September, 2005 | 40 | 52 | 8 |
| 2004 Election |  |  |  |
| June, 2004 | 41 | 48 | 11 |
| 2002 Election |  |  |  |
| Early November, 2002 | 42 | 46 | 12 |
| Early October, 2002 | 44 | 46 | 10 |
| Early September, 2002 | 44 | 46 | 10 |
| June, 2002 | 44 | 46 | 10 |
| February, 2002 | 46 | 45 | 9 |
| Early November, 2001 | 44 | 44 | 12 |
| 2000 Election |  |  |  |
| Early November, 2000 | 42 | 48 | 10 |
| Early October, 2000 | 43 | 47 | 10 |
| July, 2000 | 43 | 47 | 10 |
| February, 2000 | 44 | 47 | 9 |
| October, 1999 | 43 | 49 | 8 |
| June, 1999 | 40 | 50 | 10 |
| 1998 Election |  |  |  |
| Late October, 1998 | 40 | 47 | 13 |
| Early October, 1998 | 43 | 44 | 13 |
| Early September, 1998 | 45 | 46 | 9 |
| Late August, 1998 | 44 | 45 | 11 |
| Early August, 1998 | 42 | 49 | 9 |
| June, 1998 | 44 | 46 | 10 |
| March, 1998 | 40 | 52 | 8 |
| February, 1998 | 41 | 50 | 9 |
| January, 1998 | 41 | 51 | 8 |
| August, 1997 | 45 | 48 | 7 |
| 1996 Election |  |  |  |
| November, 1996 | 41 | 48 | 11 |
| October, 1996 | 42 | 49 | 9 |
| Late September, 1996 | 43 | 49 | 8 |
| Early September, 1996 | 43 | 51 | 6 |
| July, 1996 | 46 | 47 | 7 |
| June, 1996 | 44 | 50 | 6 |
| March, 1996 | 44 | 49 | 7 |
| January, 1996 | 46 | 47 | 7 |
| October, 1995 | 48 | 48 | 4 |
| August, 1995 | 50 | 43 | 7 |
| 1994 Election |  |  |  |
| November, 1994 | 45 | 43 | 12 |
| Late October, 1994 | 47 | 44 | 9 |
| Early October, 1994 | 52 | 40 | 8 |
| September, 1994 | 48 | 46 | 6 |

## Q.6/7 CONTINUED...

July, 1994

| Rep/ <br> Lean Rep | Dem/ <br> Lean Dem |
| :---: | :---: |
| 45 |  |

(VOL.)
Other/
$\frac{\mathrm{DK} / \text { Ref }}{8}$

ASK ALL:
PLANTO1
Thinking ahead to November, do you yourself plan to vote in the Congressional election this November, or not?

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [ $\mathrm{N}=1,552$ ]:

|  | Yes, plan to vote | No, don't plan to | (VOL.) DK/Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2014 Election |  |  |  |
| Sep 2-9, 2014 | 91 | 6 | 2 |
| Jul 8-14, 2014 | 93 | 6 | 1 |
| 2012 Election |  |  |  |
| Oct 4-7, 2012 ${ }^{5}$ | 96 | 3 | 2 |
| Sep 12-16, 2012 | 97 | 2 | 1 |
| Jun 7-17, 2012 | 97 | 2 | 1 |
| 2010 Election |  |  |  |
| Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010 | 94 | 4 | 3 |
| Jul 21-Aug 5, $2010{ }^{6}$ | 91 | 7 | 2 |
| Jun 16-20, 2010 | 90 | 8 | 2 |
| Mar 11-21, 2010 | 91 | 6 | 3 |
| 2008 Election |  |  |  |
| Mid-October, 2008 | 97 | 2 | 1 |
| Early October, 2008 | 97 | 2 | 1 |
| Late September, 2008 | 97 | 2 | 1 |
| Mid-September, 2008 | 97 | 2 | 1 |
| August, 2008 | 97 | 2 | 1 |
| July, 2008 | 97 | 2 | 1 |
| June, 2008 | 95 | 2 | 3 |
| 2006 Election |  |  |  |
| November, 2006 | 90 | 8 | 2 |
| Late October, 2006 | 94 | 3 | 3 |
| Early October, 2006 | 93 | 4 | 3 |
| Early September, 2006 | 92 | 5 | 3 |
| 2004 Election |  |  |  |
| November, 2004 | 97 | 2 | 1 |
| Mid-October, 2004 | 98 | 1 | 1 |
| Early October, 2004 | 98 | 1 | 1 |
| September, 2004 | 98 | 1 | 1 |
| August, 2004 | 98 | 2 | * |
| June, 2004 | 96 | 2 | 2 |
| 2002 Election |  |  |  |
| Early November, 2002 | 90 | 8 | 2 |
| Early October, 2002 | 95 | 3 | 2 |
| 2000 Election |  |  |  |
| Early November, 2000 | 96 | 3 | 1 |
| Late October, 2000 | 97 | 2 | 1 |
| Mid-October, 2000 | 96 | 2 | 2 |
| Early October, 2000 | 97 | 2 | 1 |
| September, 2000 | 95 | 3 | 2 |

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## PLANTO1 CONTINUED...

| (une | Yes, plan to vote | No, don't plan to | (VOL.) DK/Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| June, 2000 | 95 | 2 | 3 |
| 1998 Election |  |  |  |
| Late October, 1998 | 91 | 6 | 3 |
| Early October, 1998 | 92 | 4 | 4 |
| Early September, 1998 | 95 | 2 | 3 |
| Late August, 1998 | 93 | 3 | 4 |
| June, 1998 | 95 | 3 | 2 |
| 1996 Election |  |  |  |
| November, 1996 | 96 | 2 | 2 |
| October, 1996 | 98 | 1 | 1 |
| Late September, 1996 | 98 | 1 | 1 |
| Early September, 1996 | 96 | 2 | 2 |
| July, 1996 | 95 | 3 | 2 |
| June, 1996 | 96 | 2 | 2 |
| 1994 Election |  |  |  |
| November, 1994 | 93 | 5 | 2 |
| October, 1994 | 95 | 3 | 2 |
| 1992 Election |  |  |  |
| October, 1992 | 98 | 1 | 1 |
| September, 1992 | 98 | 1 | 1 |
| August, 1992 | 97 | 1 | 2 |
| June, 1992 | 97 | 1 | 2 |
| 1988 Election |  |  |  |
| Gallup: November, 1988 | - 97 | 2 | 1 |
| October, 1988 | 98 | 1 | 1 |

ASK ALL:
Q. 8 Compared to previous congressional elections, are you more enthusiastic about voting than usual, or less enthusiastic?

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [ $\mathrm{N}=1,552$ ]:

|  |  | (VOL.) |  | (VOL.) <br> DK/Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | More | Less | Same |  |
| 2014 Election |  |  |  |  |
| Sep 2-9, 2014 | 40 | 41 | 15 | 4 |
| Jul 8-14, 2014 | 40 | 45 | 13 | 3 |
| 2010 Election |  |  |  |  |
| Oct 27-30, 2010 | 47 | 34 | 15 | 3 |
| Oct 13-18, 2010 | 47 | 31 | 19 | 3 |
| Jun 16-20, 2010 | 46 | 36 | 16 | 2 |
| 2006 Election |  |  |  |  |
| November, 2006 | 44 | 35 | 19 | 2 |
| Late October, 2006 | 41 | 34 | 23 | 2 |
| Early October, 2006 | 39 | 36 | 21 | 4 |
| September, 2006 | 37 | 40 | 20 | 3 |
| June, 2006 | 38 | 40 | 18 | 4 |
| 2002 Election |  |  |  |  |
| June, 2002 | 41 | 33 | 23 | 3 |
| 1998 Election |  |  |  |  |
| June, 1998 | 38 | 45 | 15 | 2 |
| 1994 Election |  |  |  |  |
| Gallup: October, 1994 ${ }^{7}$ | 34 | 44 | 20 | 2 |

NO QUESTIONS 9-12

[^5]ASK ALL:
Q. 13 As you think about the elections for Congress this November, how important are each of the following issues to you. Is the issue of [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE] very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important? How about [SECOND ITEM]? As you think about the elections for Congress this November, is the issue of [SECOND ITEM] very, somewhat, not too, or not at all important to you? And, how about [NEXT ITEM]? [IF NECESSARY: As you think about the elections for Congress this November, is the issue of [ITEM] very, somewhat, not too, or not at all important to you?] [INTERVIEWER: PLEASE RE-READ RESPONSE OPTIONS AS NECESSARY TO REMIND RESPONDENTS OF OPTIONS. IF RESPONDENT VOICES THEIR SUPPORT OR OPPOSITION TO AN ISSUE, CLARIFY: "this question is not about your position on each issue, just how important each issue will be to your vote."]

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [ $\mathrm{N}=1,552$ ]:

|  |  | Very important | Somewhat important | Not too important | Not at all important | (VOL.) <br> DK/Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. | The economy |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Sep 2-9, 2014 | 83 | 15 | 1 | 1 | * |
|  | Sep 12-16, $2012{ }^{8}$ | 87 | 11 | 1 | 1 | * |
|  | Apr 4-15, 2012 | 86 | 11 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
|  | Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010 | 90 | 9 | 1 | * | * |
|  | Mid-October, 2008 | 91 | 7 | 2 | * | * |
|  | August, 2008 | 87 | 12 | 1 | * | * |
|  | Late May, 2008 | 88 | 9 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
|  | October, 2007 | 79 | 18 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
|  | June, 2007 | 74 | 22 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
|  | Mid-October, 2004 | 78 | 18 | 3 | 1 | * |
|  | August, 2004 | 76 | 22 | 1 | 1 | * |
| b. | Health care |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Sep 2-9, 2014 | 77 | 18 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
|  | Sep 12-16, 2012 | 74 | 20 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
|  | Apr 4-15, 2012 | 74 | 19 | 5 | 2 | * |
|  | Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010 | 78 | 17 | 3 | 1 | * |
|  | Mid-October, 2008 | 77 | 19 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
|  | August, 2008 | 73 | 21 | 5 | 1 | * |
|  | Late May, 2008 | 78 | 17 | 3 | 2 | * |
|  | October, 2007 | 76 | 18 | 4 | 1 | 1 |
|  | June, 2007 | 71 | 23 | 4 | 2 | * |
|  | Mid-October, 2004 | 73 | 22 | 4 | 1 | * |
|  | August, 2004 | 72 | 21 | 5 | 2 | * |
| c. | Immigration |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Sep 2-9, 2014 | 62 | 28 | 5 | 5 | 1 |
|  | Sep 12-16, 2012 | 41 | 37 | 13 | 6 | 2 |
|  | Apr 4-15, 2012 | 42 | 35 | 15 | 6 | 1 |
|  | Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010 | 58 | 29 | 8 | 4 | 1 |
|  | Mid-October, 2008 | 49 | 32 | 13 | 5 | 1 |
|  | August, 2008 | 52 | 33 | 10 | 4 | 1 |
|  | Late May, 2008 | 54 | 32 | 9 | 3 | 2 |
|  | October, 2007 | 56 | 31 | 7 | 4 | 2 |
|  | June, 2007 | 54 | 34 | 7 | 3 | 2 |
| d. | The environment |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Sep 2-9, 2014 | 54 | 32 | 9 | 5 | 1 |
|  | Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010 | 57 | 33 | 7 | 3 | 1 |
|  | Mid-October, 2008 | 57 | 31 | 8 | 3 | 1 |
|  | August, 2008 | 59 | 31 | 6 | 3 | 1 |

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## Q. 13 CONTINUED...

|  | Very <br> important | Somewhat <br> important | Not too <br> important | Not at all <br> important | (VOL.) | DK/Ref |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Late May, 2008 | 62 |  | 27 |  | 8 |  |

e. Gay marriage

| Sep 2-9, 2014 | 32 | 22 | 14 | 28 | 3 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010 | 29 | 20 | 16 | 32 | 2 |
| Mid-October, 2008 | 28 | 21 | 21 | 27 | 3 |
| August, 2008 | 28 | 20 | 18 | 32 | 2 |
| Late May, 2008 | 28 | 21 | 19 | 29 | 3 |
| October, 2007 | 22 | 21 | 21 | 32 | 4 |
| Mid-October, 2004 | 32 | 22 | 19 | 24 | 3 |
| August, 2004 | 34 | 19 | 15 | 30 | 2 |

f. Abortion

| Sep 2-9, 2014 | 46 | 24 | 11 | 16 | 3 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Sep 12-16, 2012 | 46 | 24 | 13 | 14 | 3 |
| Apr 4-15, 2012 | 39 | 25 | 14 | 18 | 4 |
| Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010 | 43 | 24 | 13 | 17 | 3 |
| Mid-October, 2008 | 41 | 29 | 16 | 12 | 2 |
| August, 2008 | 39 | 26 | 17 | 15 | 3 |
| Late May, 2008 | 40 | 27 | 15 | 15 | 3 |
| October, 2007 | 39 | 26 | 17 | 13 | 5 |
| June, 2007 | 40 | 30 | 13 | 14 | 3 |
| Mid-October, 2004 | 47 | 27 | 12 | 11 | 3 |
| August, 2004 | 45 | 25 | 13 | 14 | 3 |

g. Terrorism

Sep 2-9, 2014
Sep 12-16, 2012
Apr 4-15, 2012
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010
Mid-October, 2008
August, 2008
Late May, 2008
October, 2007
June, 2007
Mid-October, 2004
August, 2004
75
0 2

| 17 | 4 | 3 | 1 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 27 | 7 | 4 | 2 |
| 25 | 9 | 5 | 1 |
| 18 | 6 | 3 | 1 |
| 20 | 7 | 3 | 1 |
| 20 | 5 | 2 | 1 |
| 23 | 6 | 2 | 1 |
| 22 | 5 | 3 | 1 |
| 24 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| 17 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 19 | 3 | 2 | 1 |

h. The federal budget deficit

| Sep 2-9, 2014 | 65 | 25 | 5 | 3 | 2 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Sep 12-16, 2012 | 68 | 23 | 6 | 2 | 1 |
| Apr 4-15, 2012 | 74 | 19 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010 | 69 | 22 | 5 | 2 | 2 |
| Late May, 2008 | 69 | 21 | 4 | 3 | 3 |
| October, 2007 | 61 | 28 | 8 | 1 | 2 |
| Mid-October, 2004 | 57 | 32 | 7 | 3 | 1 |
| August, 2004 | 55 | 35 | 7 |  | $*$ |
| reign policy |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sep 2-9, 2014 | 64 | 26 | 4 | 4 |  |
| Sep 12-16, 2012 | 60 | 31 | 5 | 2 | 1 |
| Apr 4-15, 2012 | 52 | 38 | 6 | 2 | 2 |

i. Foreign policy

Sep 12-16, 2012
Apr 4-15, 2012
1
2

## Q. 13 CONTINUED...

|  | Very important | Somewhat important | Not too important | Not at all important | (VOL.) <br> DK/Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| j. Birth control |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sep 2-9, 2014 | 36 | 25 | 17 | 19 | 3 |
| Apr 4-15, 2012 | 34 | 23 | 18 | 22 | 3 |
| k. Economic inequality |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sep 2-9, 2014 | 57 | 27 | 8 | 6 | 2 |

## QUESTIONS 14, 18-19, 35-39, 42, 47, 52 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE QUESTIONS 15-16, 53-54 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED <br> NO QUESTIONS 17, 20-34, 40-41, 43-46, 48-51, 55-58

## ASK ALL:

Next,
Q. 59 Do you approve or disapprove of the health care law passed by Barack Obama and Congress in 2010?

Sep 2-9, 2014
Apr 23-27, 2014
Apr 3-6, 2014 (U)
Feb 27-Mar 16, 2014
Dec 3-8, 2013 (U)
Oct 9-13, 2013
Sep 4-8, 2013 (U)
Jun 28-Jul 9, $2012^{9}$
Jun 7-17, 2012
Apr 4-15, 2012

| Approve | Disapprove | (VOL.) <br> DK/Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 44 | 52 | 4 |
| 41 | 55 | 4 |
| 37 | 50 | 12 |
| 41 | 53 | 5 |
| 41 | 54 | 5 |
| 41 | 52 | 7 |
| 42 | 53 | 5 |
| 47 | 43 | 9 |
| 43 | 48 | 9 |
| 41 | 49 | 10 |
| 47 | 45 | 8 |
| 41 | 48 | 11 |
| 43 | 47 | 10 |
| 38 | 45 | 17 |
| 44 | 46 | 10 |
| 35 | 47 | 17 |
| 40 | 44 | 16 |

## NO QUESTION 60

## ASK ALL:

Q. 61 So far, that is up until today, has the health care law had a mostly positive, mostly negative, or not much of an effect on you and your family?

| Sep 2-9 |  | $(U)$ | $(U)$ | $(U)$ |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\underline{2014}$ |  | Apr 3-6 | Dec 3-8 | Sep 4-8 |
| 19 | Mostly positive | $\underline{2014}$ | $\underline{2013}$ | $\underline{2013}$ |
| 26 | Mostly negative | 17 | 15 | 17 |
| 54 | Not much of an effect | 24 | 23 | 20 |
| 1 | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) | 57 | 60 | 63 |
|  |  | 2 | 2 | 1 |

[^7]
## ASK ALL:

Q. 62 And looking ahead, do you think the overall effect of the health care law on you and your family over the coming years will be mostly positive, mostly negative, or will it not affect you much either way?

| $\begin{gathered} \text { Sep 2-9 } \\ \underline{2014} \end{gathered}$ |  | (U) | (U) | (U) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Apr 3-6 | Dec 3-8 | Sep 4-8 |
|  |  | $\underline{2014}$ | $\underline{2013}$ | $\underline{2013}$ |
| 27 | Mostly positive | 29 | 26 | 25 |
| 38 | Mostly negative | 35 | 38 | 41 |
| 33 | Not much of an effect | 30 | 32 | 31 |
| 3 | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) | 6 | 4 | 4 |

## ASK ALL:

Now thinking about the effect of the 2010 health care law on the country as a whole...
Q. 63 So far, that is up until today, has the health care law had a mostly positive, mostly negative, or not much of an effect on the country as a whole?

| Sep 2-9 |  | $(U)$ <br> Apr 3-6 | $(U)$ <br> Dec 3-8 | (U) 4-8 <br> 2014 <br> 33 |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mostly positive | $\underline{\mathbf{2 0 1 4}}$ | $\underline{\underline{2013}}$ | $\frac{\mathbf{2 0 1 3}}{24}$ |  |
| 45 | Mostly negative | 43 | 49 | 38 |
| 18 | Not much of an effect | 17 | 22 | 31 |
| 5 | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) | 10 | 6 | 7 |

ASK ALL:
Q. 64 And looking ahead, do you think the overall effect of the health care law on the country as a whole over the coming years will be mostly positive, mostly negative, or will it not affect the country much either way?

| Sep 2-9 |  | $(U)$ <br> Apr 3-6 | $(U)$ <br> Dec 3-8 | $(U)$ <br> 2014 4-8 |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 37 | Mostly positive | $\underline{2014}$ | $\underline{2013}$ | $\underline{2013}$ |
| 46 | Mostly negative | 48 | 39 | 35 |
| 13 | Not much of an effect | 12 | 45 | 47 |
| 3 | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) | 6 | 11 | 14 |

NO QUESTIONS 65-66, 70-77
QUESTIONS 67-68, 78-81 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE QUESTIONS 69 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

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 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sep 2-9, 2014 | 24 | 33 | 38 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 15 | 15 |
| Aug 20-24, 2014 | 24 | 31 | 37 | 4 | 1 | 4 | 15 | 16 |
| Jul 8-14, 2014 | 25 | 34 | 37 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 16 | 15 |
| Apr 23-27, 2014 | 24 | 30 | 41 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 18 | 17 |
| Jan 23-Mar 16, 2014 | 422 | 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 |
| 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=863]

|  | Agree | Disagree | No opinion either way | (VOL.) Haven't heard of | (VOL.) <br> Refused | Not heard of/ DK |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sep 2-9, 2014 | 38 | 10 | 50 | 1 | 1 | -- |
| Aug 20-24, 2014 | 34 | 10 | 53 | * | 2 | -- |
| Jul 8-14, 2014 | 35 | 12 | 50 | 2 | 1 | -- |
| 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 | -- |
| Nov 9-14, 2011 | 41 | 9 | 49 | * | 1 | -- |
| Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011 | 37 | 11 | 51 | 1 |  | -- |
| Aug 17-21, 2011 | 43 | 7 | 49 | * | 1 | -- |
| Jul 20-24, 2011 | 40 | 7 | 51 | * |  | -- |
| 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, $2011{ }^{10}$ | 43 | 8 | 47 | 1 | 1 | -- |
| Jan 5-9, 2011 | 45 | 6 | 47 | 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 |

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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...

Oct 13-18, 2010 (RVs)
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010 (RVs)
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010
Jun 16-20, 2010
May 20-23, 2010
Mar 11-21, 2010

| $\frac{\text { Agree }}{}$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 54 |  |  |
| 56 |  | 5 |
| 56 | 6 |  |
| 46 | 5 |  |
| 46 | 5 |  |
| 53 | 4 |  |
| 48 |  | 4 |


| (VOL.) <br> Haven't <br> heard of | Not <br> (VOL.) | Nefused <br> heard of/ | DK |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| -- |  | 10 |  |
| -- | $*$ | 10 |  |
| -- | 1 | 13 |  |
| -- | $*$ | 19 |  |
| -- | 1 | 16 |  |
| -- | 1 | 21 |  |

## QUESTIONS 82-87 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

## ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REG=1):

PVOTE12A In the 2012 presidential election between Barack Obama and Mitt Romney, did things come up that kept you from voting, or did you happen to vote?

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [ $\mathbf{N}=1,552$ ]:

| Sep 2-9 |  | July $17-21$ |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
| $\frac{2014}{88}$ | Voted | $\underline{2013}$ |
| 11 | Did not vote (includes too young to vote) | 87 |
| 1 | Don't remember if voted/Refused (VOL.) | $*$ |

## ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REG=1):

SCALE10
I'd like you to rate your chance of voting in November on a scale of 10 to 1. If TEN represents a person who definitely will vote and ONE represents a person who definitely will NOT vote, where on this scale of 10 to 1 would you place yourself?

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [ $\mathbf{N}=\mathbf{1 , 5 5 2}$ ]:

|  | Definitely <br> will vote |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Definitely <br> will not vote (VOL.) |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2014 Election | $\underline{9}$ | $\underline{9}$ | $\underline{8}$ | $\underline{7}$ | $\underline{6}$ | $\underline{5}$ | $\underline{4}$ | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{2}$ | $\underline{1}$ | $\underline{\text { DK/Ref }}$ |
| Sep 2-9, 2014 | 71 | 7 | 8 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 1 | $*$ | 2 | 2 |
| 2012 Election |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct 31-Nov 3, 2012 |  | 88 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ | 1 |
| Oct 24-28, 2012 | 84 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 2 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ | 2 | 1 |
| Oct 4-7, 2012 | 85 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | $*$ | 1 | $*$ | 2 |  |
| Sep 12-16, 2012 | 84 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 2 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ | 1 | 2 |
| 2010 Election |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| Oct 27-30, 2010 | 72 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 4 | $*$ | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 |
| Oct 13-18, 2010 | 71 | 8 | 7 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | $*$ | 4 | 1 |
| Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010 | 71 | 9 | 7 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 1 | $*$ | 2 | 1 |
| 2008 Election |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $*$ |  |  |
| November, 2008 | 86 | 5 | 3 | 1 | $*$ | 2 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ | 2 | 1 |
| Late October, 2008 | 86 | 5 | 2 | 1 | $*$ | 2 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ | 3 | 1 |
| Mid-October, 2008 | 86 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ | 2 | 1 |
| Mid-September, 2008 | 84 | 6 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | $*$ | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| August, 2008 | 80 | 6 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 2 | $*$ | 1 | $*$ | 2 | 1 |
| July, 2008 | 80 | 7 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 3 | $*$ | 1 | $*$ | 2 | 0 |
| 2006 Election |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November, 2006 | 72 | 7 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 4 | $*$ | 1 | 1 | 4 | 1 |
| Late October, 2006 | 71 | 8 | 9 | 4 | 2 | 3 | $*$ | 1 | $*$ | 1 | 1 |
| Early October, 2006 | 68 | 10 | 9 | 4 | 1 | 4 | $*$ | 1 | $*$ | 2 | 1 |
| September, 2006 | 67 | 9 | 9 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 |

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## SCALE10 CONTINUED...

|  | $\underline{10}$ | $\underline{9}$ | 8 | 7 | $\underline{6}$ | $\underline{5}$ | 4 | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{2}$ | $\underline{1}$ | DK/Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2004 Election |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November, 2004 | 87 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | * | * | * | 2 | 1 |
| Mid-October, 2004 | 87 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | * | * | * | 2 | 1 |
| 2002 Election |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Early November, 2002 | 66 | 9 | 9 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 1 |
| Early October, 2002 | 64 | 10 | 10 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 1 | * | * | 2 | 2 |
| 2000 Election |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Early November, 2000 | 80 | 6 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 3 | * | * | * | 3 | 1 |
| Late October, 2000 | 83 | 5 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 2 | * | 1 | 1 | 1 | * |
| Mid-October, 2000 | 80 | 7 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 1 | * | * | 1 | 1 |
| Early October, 2000 | 78 | 7 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 2 | * | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 1998 Election |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Late October, 1998 | 70 | 6 | 7 | 4 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 1 |
| Early October, 1998 | 64 | 9 | 10 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| 1996 Election |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November, 1996 | 77 | 7 | 7 | 2 | 1 | 2 | * | 1 | * | 2 | 1 |
| October, 1996 | 77 | 9 | 7 | 2 | 2 | 2 | * | * | * | 1 | * |
| Late September, 1996 | 78 | 10 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 1 | * | * | * | 1 | 1 |
| 1994 Election |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November, 1994 | 67 | 9 | 8 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| Late October, 1994 | 66 | 10 | 9 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 1 | * | 2 | 1 |
| 1992 Election |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gallup: September, 1992 | 77 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 4 | * | 1 | * | 4 | * |
| 1988 Election |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gallup: November, 1988 | 77 | 7 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 3 | * | * | * | 2 | 2 |
| Gallup: October, 1988 | 73 | 8 | 7 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 1 | * | * | 1 | 2 |

## Key to Pew Research trends noted in the topline:

| (U) | Pew Research Center/USA Today polls |
| :--- | :--- |
| $(W P)$ | Pew Research Center/Washington Post polls |


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ In September 10-15, 2009 and other surveys noted with an asterisk, the question was worded "Overall, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way things are going in our country today?"

[^1]:    $2 \quad$ Gallup trends for 1990, 1982 and 1978 are based on general public.

[^2]:    3
    In the Aug 25 -Sep 6, 2010 survey, a wording experiment was conducted with one half of respondents asked the question wording shown above, and the other half was asked: "Some people seem to follow what's going on in government and public affairs most of the time, whether there's an election or not. Others aren't that interested. Would you say you follow what's going on in government and public affairs ..." No significant differences were found between questions and the combined results are shown above. All surveys prior to Sep 2010 used the longer question wording.

[^3]:    $4 \quad$ Trends for January 1992 and January 1989 are based on general public.

[^4]:    In October 2012, Mid-October 2008 and from Mid-October 2004 to November 2006 and in Early November 2002, the "Yes, Plan to vote" category also includes people who volunteered that they already voted. In November 2006, Early November 2002, Early November, 2000, Late October 1998, November 1996 and November 1994 the question was worded: "Do you yourself plan to vote in the election this Tuesday, or not?"
    $6 \quad$ Surveys from March to August 2010 asked specifically about voting in the "Congressional" election this November and began with "Thinking ahead to November... ."

[^5]:    7 In October, 1994 Gallup asked "Compared to previous elections..." and did not specify congressional elections.

[^6]:    8 In all 2004 trends and the June 2007 trend, question began: "In making your decision about who to vote for." In all 2008 and 2012 trends, question began: "In making your decision about who to vote for this fall." In the October 2007 trend, question began: "In making your decision about who to vote for in next year's election."

[^7]:    9 Prior to September 2013, the question asked about "the health care legislation." In addition, the reference to when the law was passed has changed over time: January 2011 referenced the legislation passed "last year," November 2010 used "earlier this year," September through July, 2010 used "in March," and April 2010 used "last month."

[^8]:    11 In Oct 31-Nov 3, 2012, Oct 24-28, 2012, Oct 4-7, 2012, Oct 27-30, 2010, Oct 13-18, 2010, Late October, Mid-October and November 2008, November 2006, November 2004 and Early November 2002, the "10-definitely will vote" category also includes people who volunteered that they already voted.

