# PEW RESEARCH CENTER JANUARY 2013 POLITICAL SURVEY FINAL TOPLINE January 9-13, 2013 N=1,502

QUESTIONS 1-2, 9-12, 16 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE NO QUESTIONS 3-8, 14-15 QUESTION 17g.F2 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED QUESTIONS 17a-17f.F1 AND 17h.F2-17j.F2 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

### **ASK ALL:**

Now, a different kind of question ...

Q.18 Do you personally believe that **[INSERT ITEM AND RANDOMIZE]** is morally acceptable, morally wrong, or is it not a moral issue. **[IF NECESSARY:** And is **[INSERT ITEM]** morally acceptable, morally wrong, or is it not a moral issue?

		Morally <u>acceptable</u>	Morally wrong	Not a moral <u>issue</u>	(VOL.) Depends on the situation	(VOL.) DK/Ref
a.	Having an abortion					
	Jan 9-13, 2013	13	47	27	9	4
	Feb 8-12, 2012	13	48	25	9	5
	Aug 11-17, 2009	10	52	25	8	4
	February, 2006	12	52	23	11	2

QUESTIONS 18b-c, 20-25, 30, 31-32, 35-36 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE NO QUESTIONS 19, 26-29, 33, 37-39 QUESTION 34I PREVIOUSLY RELEASED QUESTIONS 34aF1-34jF2 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE QUESTIONS 40-43, 50 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED NO QUESTIONS 44-49

#### ASK ALL:

Thinking about a different subject,

Q.51 The Supreme Court's decision in Roe versus Wade dealt with which of the following issues? [READ AND RANDOMIZE]?

Jan 9-13	
<u>2013</u>	
62	Abortion
5	The death penalty
7	School desegregation [OR]
5	Environmental protection
20	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

### **NO QUESTION 52**

# **ASK ALL:**

# [IF Q.51=2-4, READ: "Actually,"]

Q.53 In 1973 the Roe versus Wade decision established a woman's constitutional right to an abortion, at least in the first three months of pregnancy. Would you like to see the Supreme Court completely overturn its Roe versus Wade decision, or not?

						Gallup		
							(RVs)	
Jan 9-13		Nov	Jul	Jun	Jan	Mar	Aug	Oct
<u>2013</u>		2005	2005	2005	2003	2002	1992	<u> 1989</u>
29	Yes, overturn Roe versus Wade	25	29	30	31	36	34	33
63	No, not overturn Roe versus Wade	65	65	63	62	60	60	61
7	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	9	6	7	7	4	6	6

## **ASK ALL:**

Q.54 Do you think the issue of abortion is a critical issue facing the country, one among many important issues, or not that important compared to other issues?

Jan 9-13		Aug	Mar
<u> 2013</u>		2009	<u>2006</u>
18	A critical issue facing the country	15	28
27	One among many important issues	33	38
53	Not that important compared to other issues	48	32
2	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	3	2

#### 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.)			
				No	Other	(VOL.)	Lean	Lean
	<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>	preference	party	DK/Ref	<u>Rep</u>	<u>Dem</u>
Jan 9-13, 2013	25	32	38	2	*	2	15	16
Dec 17-19, 2012	21	32	38	4	*	4	15	14
Dec 5-9, 2012	23	33	38	3	1	2	14	19
Oct 31-Nov 3, 2012	26	34	34	3	1	3	13	16
Oct 24-28, 2012	28	33	33	4	*	2	12	16
Oct 4-7, 2012	27	31	36	3	1	3	15	15
Sep 12-16, 2012	24	35	36	2	*	2	14	16
Jul 16-26, 2012	22	33	38	4	*	3	14	15
Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	24	33	37	3	*	3	15	17
Jun 7-17, 2012	24	33	39	2	*	2	17	17
May 9-Jun 3, 2012	24	32	36	4	*	4	13	14
Apr 4-15, 2012	24	31	39	3	*	2	15	15
Mar 7-11, 2012	24	34	36	3	1	2	16	17
Feb 8-12, 2012	26	32	36	4	1	2	13	17
Jan 11-16, 2012	22	31	42	3	*	2	17	16
Jan 4-8, 2012	26	31	35	4	*	4	14	14
Yearly Totals								
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

# PARTY/PARTYLN CONTINUED...

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				(VOL.)	(VOL.)			
				No	Other	(VOL.)	Lean	Lean
	<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>	preference	<u>party</u>	DK/Ref	<u>Rep</u>	<u>Dem</u>
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					