

2692 US Adults Sample Conducted January 23 - 25, 2017 Margin of Error  $\pm 2.3\%$ 1. Would you say things in this country today are... Off on the wrong track .......53% 2. Generally speaking, would you say that most people can be trusted or that you can't be too careful in dealing with people? Most people can be trusted ......40% You can't be too careful in dealing with people ......60% 3. Do you think most people would try to take advantage of you if they got the chance, or would they try to be fair? Would try to take advantage of you ......50% Would try to be fair ......50% 4. Would you say that most of the time people try to be helpful, or that they are mostly just looking out for themselves? Would try to be helpful .......55% Just looking out for themselves .......45% 5. Should a couple wait to have children until they can afford it? 



6. The responsibility for disciplining children lies mostly with
Father       4%         Mother       5%         Both equally       91%
7. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: "Sometimes it is necessary t discipline a child with a good, hard spanking."
Agree       .52%         Disagree       .29%         Not sure       .19%
8. If your child was bullied by another child at school, should they challenge the bully to fight or report them to a teacher?
Challenge them to fight
9. Which of the following things do you think people should be able to talk about in public?
Criticize the President personally



### 10. Do you consider the countries listed below to be a friend or an enemy of the United States?

	Ally	Friendly	Unfriendly	Enemy	Not sure
China	4%	21%	36%	14%	24%
Germany	33%	35%	8%	3%	21%
India	10%	48%	8%	3%	31%
Israel	37%	24%	10%	5%	23%
Japan	30%	36%	9%	4%	22%
Mexico	15%	43%	17%	5%	21%
Russia	4%	15%	34%	24%	22%
United Kingdom	54%	25%	3%	2%	17%

### 11. How would you describe the mood of the country?

We're all in it together
It's everyone for themselves50%
Not sure



12. Regardless of whether they should be legal or not, which of the following things do you personally consider to be morally acceptable or morally wrong?

	Morally acceptable	Morally wrong
Birth control	88%	12%
Divorce	73%	27%
The death penalty	66%	34%
Premarital sex	64%	36%
Gay or lesbian		
relations	56%	44%
Doctor-assisted		
suicide	54%	46%
Abortion	44%	56%
Gambling	69%	31%
Killing animals for		
their furs	24%	76%
Hunting animals for		
sport	36%	64%
Interracial marriage	83%	17%
Cloning humans	20%	80%
Married men and		
women having an		
affair	10%	90%
Smoking marijuana	65%	35%
Drinking alcohol	81%	19%

13. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as President?

Strongly Approve27	7%
Somewhat Approve14	1%
Somewhat Disapprove8	3%
Strongly Disapprove27	7%
Not Sure24	1%



14. V	Nould you say Donald Trump is	
	Very liberal Liberal Moderate Conservative Very conservative Not sure	. 4% 20% 25% 13%
15. C	Do you think Donald Trump	
	Says what he believes Says what he thinks people want to hear Not sure	32%
16. F	Regardless of whether you agree with him, do you like Donald Trump as a pe	rson?
	Like a lot Like somewhat Dislike Not sure	23% 42%
17. F you?	How much do you think Donald Trump cares about the needs and problems o	of people like
	A lot Some Not much	18%

 Doesn't care at all
 33%

 Not sure
 8%



18. Would you say Donald Trump is a strong or a weak leader?
Very strong32%Somewhat strong29%Somewhat weak15%Very weak25%
19. Do you think Donald Trump is honest and trustworthy, or not?
Honest and trustworthy
20. Regardless of your overall opinion of Donald Trump, do you feel he has the qualifications to be president?
Qualified to be president42%Not qualified to be president45%Not sure14%
21. Regardless of your overall opinion of Donald Trump, do you feel he has enough experience to be president?
Has enough experience
22. Do you think Donald Trump has the temperament to be the President?
Yes



23. Are you optimistic or pessimistic about the next four years with Donald Trump as President?

Optimistic4	5%
Pessimistic	6%
Not sure	9%

24. In general, how closely have you been following the Senate Confirmation hearings for the men and women Donald Trump has selected to fill his cabinet?

Very closely	<b>i</b> %
Somewhat closely	}%
Not very closely29	)%
Not following at all	}%

25. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of the men and women listed below whom Donald Trump selected to fill his Cabinet?

	Favorable	Unfavorable	Not sure
Ben Carson,			
Secretary of Housing			
and Urban			
Development	41%	29%	30%
Betsy DeVos,			
Secretary of			
Education	26%	35%	39%
James Mattis,			
Secretary of Defense	42%	17%	41%
Steven Mnuchin,			
Secretary of the	070/	000/	470/
Treasury	27%	26%	47%
Rick Perry, Secretary	000/	200/	000/
of Energy	32%	30%	38%
Andrew Puzder,	050/	050/	<b>5</b> 40/
Secretary of Labor	25%	25%	51%
Jeff Sessions,	0.10/	000/	000/
Attorney General	31%	29%	39%
Rex Tillerson,	000/	070/	400/
Secretary of State	30%	27%	42%



26. From what you know, how qualified are the men and women listed below whom Donald Trump selected to fill his Cabinet?

	Complete	ly Mostly	Somewha	at Not very	Not qualified	
	qualified	qualified	qualified	qualified	at all	Not sure
Ben Carson,	-	•	•	-		
Secretary of Housing						
and Urban						
Development	19%	12%	11%	8%	22%	28%
Betsy DeVos,						
Secretary of	4.50/	4.007	00/	<b>-</b> 0/	050/	0.50/
Education	15%	10%	8%	7%	25%	35%
James Mattis,	0.407	400/	00/	<b>5</b> 0/	201	0.50/
Secretary of Defense	31%	13%	8%	5%	8%	35%
Steven Mnuchin,						
Secretary of the	1.00/	440/	00/	00/	1.00/	400/
Treasury	16%	11%	9%	8%	12%	43%
Rick Perry, Secretary	1.00/	100/	00/	00/	100/	0.40/
of Energy	16%	13%	9%	9%	19%	34%
Andrew Puzder,	100/	110/	00/	00/	1.40/	400/
Secretary of Labor	13%	11%	9%	8%	14%	46%
Jeff Sessions,	000/	110/	110/	70/	1.50/	0.50/
Attorney General	22%	11%	11%	7%	15%	35%
Rex Tillerson,	1.00/	100/	1.00/	00/	1.40/	200/
Secretary of State	18%	12%	10%	8%	14%	38%



27. Do you think the men and women listed below whom Donald Trump selected to fill his Cabinet are too liberal or too conservative?

	Too liberal	About right	Too conservative	Not sure
Ben Carson,				
Secretary of Housing				
and Urban				
Development	3%	35%	23%	38%
Betsy DeVos,				
Secretary of				
Education	4%	26%	25%	45%
James Mattis,				
Secretary of Defense	3%	35%	16%	46%
Steven Mnuchin,				
Secretary of the				
Treasury	4%	26%	20%	50%
Rick Perry, Secretary				
of Energy	3%	30%	25%	41%
Andrew Puzder,				
Secretary of Labor	3%	25%	20%	51%
Jeff Sessions,		/		
Attorney General	4%	29%	25%	42%
Rex Tillerson,		/	/	
Secretary of State	4%	29%	20%	47%

### 28. How would you rate the Presidents listed below?

		Above		Below		Not
	Outstandi	n <b>g</b> Average	Average	Average	Poor	Sure
Jimmy Carter	10%	19%	30%	14%	14%	12%
Ronald Reagan	31%	27%	21%	8%	5%	8%
George H.W. Bush	7%	23%	39%	15%	9%	7%
Bill Clinton	14%	27%	28%	15%	11%	5%
George W. Bush	6%	19%	34%	19%	16%	6%
Barack Obama	25%	16%	16%	12%	27%	5%



29. As a President, how do you think Donald Trump will go down in history?	
Outstanding16%Above Average19%Average.8%Below Average10%Poor28%Not Sure19%	
30. Did you watch or hear any part of President Trump's inauguration speech?	
Yes	
31. How much of President Trump's inauguration speech have you seen or heard?	
All of it       29%         Most of it       12%         Some of it       12%         Only news clips of the speech       7%         None of it       40%	
32. How would rate President Trump's inauguration speech?  Asked of people who watched at least some part of President Trump's inauguration speech	
Outstanding28%Above Average21%Average19%Below Average9%Poor19%Not Sure4%	



33. Did you think President Trump's inauguration speech was optimistic or pessimistic? Asked of people who watched at least some part of President Trump's inauguration speech

Optimistic
Pessimistic
Not sure

34. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: "For too long, a small group in our nation's Capital has reaped the rewards of government while the people have borne the cost. Washington flourished – but the people did not share in its wealth. Politicians prospered – but the jobs left, and the factories closed."

Agree	8%
Disagree	2%
Not sure	0%

35. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: "...for too many of our citizens, a different reality exists: Mothers and children trapped in poverty in our inner cities; rusted-out factories scattered like tombstones across the landscape of our nation; an education system flush with cash, but which leaves our young and beautiful students deprived of knowledge; and the crime and gangs and drugs that have stolen too many lives and robbed our country of so much unrealized potential."

Agree	ó
Disagree	ó
Not sure	, 0

36. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: "We've made other countries rich while the wealth, strength, and confidence of our country has disappeared over the horizon"

Agree56%
Disagree24%
Not sure



37. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: "Every decision on trade, on taxes, on immigration, on foreign affairs, will be made to benefit American workers and American families. We must protect our borders from the ravages of other countries making our products, stealing our companies, and destroying our jobs. Protection will lead to great prosperity and strength"

Agree5	52%
Disagree	24%
Not sure	24%

38. Do you favor or oppose providing a way for illegal immigrants currently in the country to gain legal citizenship if they pass background checks, pay fines, and have jobs?

Favor	%
Oppose	%
Not sure19	%

39. Do you favor or oppose a complete and total ban on Muslim immigration?

Favor
Oppose
Not sure

40. In the last year would you say crime in the country has increased, decreased, or stayed about the same?

Increased a lot	31%
Increased a little	22%
Stayed about the same	20%
Decreased a little	12%
Decreased a lot	3%
Not sure	11%



41. What about your local community—in the last year would you say crime has increased, decreased, or stayed about the same?

Increased a lot	12%
Increased a little	21%
Stayed about the same	41%
Decreased a little	10%
Decreased a lot	4%
Not sure	12%

42. Thinking about the nation as a whole, do you think the number of violent crime incidents (homicide, sexual assault, robbery, serious assault) over the past 12 months is higher or lower compared to ten years ago

Much higher	23%
Somewhat higher	30%
About the same	13%
Somewhat lower	14%
Much lower	. 6%
Not sure	14%

43. How worried are you that you or someone in your family will be a victim of a violent crime?

Very worried	12%
Somewhat worried	37%
Not too worried	40%
Not at all worried	11%

44. Which would you prefer to see in your local area?

A larger police presence than currently exists	37%
A smaller police presence than currently exists	. 9%
No change	43%
Don't know	11%



45. As you may know, demonstrations have been held in many parts of the country in recent years to protest the deaths of African Americans who died during encounters with the police. How much, if at all, do you think these protests have been motivated by...

	A great deal	Some	Not much	Not at all	Don't know
A genuine desire to hold officers accountable for their					
actions Longstanding bias	32%	28%	17%	14%	9%
against the police	39%	33%	13%	5%	9%

46. Do you think the deaths of African Americans during encounters with police in recent years are?

solated incidents	 40%
Signs of a broader problem	 60%

47. Thinking about police officers around the country, do you favor or oppose the use of body cameras by police that would record their interactions with the public?

Favor	34%
Oppose	6%
Not sure	0%

48. Do you favor or oppose building a wall along the US-Mexico border to try to stop illegal immigration?

Favor
Oppose41%
Not sure



### 49. Do you favor or oppose repealing Obamacare?

Favor	%
Oppose	%
Not sure	%

#### 50. Do you think the U.S. should increase or decrease trade with foreign countries?

Increase	23%
Decrease	22%
Keep it the same	28%
Not sure	26%

### 51. Is trade with foreign countries good or bad for the average American?

Good
Bad17%
Neither





### 52. How important are the following issues to you?

	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not very Important	Unimportant
The economy	75%	21%	3%	2%
Immigration	49%	35%	12%	4%
The environment	48%	34%	12%	6%
Terrorism	64%	24%	8%	4%
Gay rights	25%	25%	23%	27%
Education	66%	26%	6%	2%
Health care	76%	19%	3%	1%
Social security	71%	21%	5%	2%
The budget deficit	51%	34%	11%	4%
The war in				
Afghanistan	36%	39%	17%	8%
Taxes	61%	30%	6%	3%
Medicare	67%	24%	6%	3%
Abortion	39%	30%	20%	11%
Foreign policy	48%	36%	11%	4%
Gun control	46%	27%	16%	11%
International trade				
and globalization	35%	46%	14%	5%
Use of military force	49%	37%	10%	4%



#### 53. Which of these is the most important issue for you?

The economy	17%
Immigration	6%
The environment	6%
Terrorism	11%
Gay rights	2%
Education	8%
Health care	14%
Social security	18%
The budget deficit	
The war in Afghanistan	1%
Taxes	3%
Medicare	5%
Abortion	
Foreign policy	1%
Gun control	3%

### 54. In the past, how often have you voted for candidates of the following parties?

		Most of	About half the		
	Always	the time	time	Occasionally	Never
Democrat	18%	18%	10%	23%	31%
Republican	13%	18%	11%	21%	38%
Other	2%	3%	6%	26%	63%

# 55. In the future, how often do you think that you will vote for candidates of the following parties?

		Most of	About half the		
	Always	the time	time	Occasionally	Never
Democrat	18%	16%	11%	22%	33%
Republican	14%	18%	12%	20%	37%
Other	2%	4%	8%	36%	50%



#### 56. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of the following people?

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know
Barack Obama	37%	17%	11%	31%	5%
Donald Trump	26%	19%	10%	37%	8%
Joe Biden	31%	23%	14%	17%	14%
Mike Pence	26%	18%	12%	25%	20%
Paul Ryan	9%	25%	19%	22%	25%
Mitch McConnell	3%	17%	18%	26%	36%
Nancy Pelosi	8%	19%	14%	34%	26%
Chuck Schumer	9%	17%	13%	21%	40%

### 57. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the political parties?

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know
The Democratic Party	16%	24%	18%	29%	13%
The Republican Party	13%	26%	17%	31%	13%

#### 58. Is the Democratic Party...

Too liberal40%
About right25%
Not liberal enough12%
Not sure

#### 59. Is the Republican Party...

Too conservative35%
About right
Not conservative enough14%
Not sure



60. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama handled his job as President?
Strongly Approve27%Somewhat Approve22%Somewhat Disapprove13%Strongly Disapprove30%Not Sure7%
61. Would you say Barack Obama is
Very liberal31%Liberal21%Moderate22%Conservative5%Very conservative3%Not sure18%
62. Would you say Barack Obama is a strong or a weak leader?
Very strong26%Somewhat strong26%Somewhat weak18%Very weak29%
63. Do you think Barack Obama
Says what he believes
64. Regardless of whether you agree with him, do you like Barack Obama as a person?
Like a lot



65. How much do you think Barack Obama cares about the needs and problems of people like you?

A lot	32%
Some	20%
Not much	14%
Doesn't care at all	27%
Not sure	. 6%

66. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama handled these specific issues?

	Strongly approve	Somewhat approve	Somewhat disapprove	Strongly disapprove	No opinion
Abortion	22%	19%	10%	26%	23%
The war in					
Afghanistan	13%	23%	18%	30%	16%
The budget deficit	18%	21%	12%	33%	16%
The economy	25%	23%	13%	28%	11%
Education	21%	27%	13%	23%	15%
The environment	25%	25%	11%	22%	16%
Foreign policy	16%	23%	14%	32%	15%
Gay rights	27%	19%	10%	26%	18%
Gun control	17%	21%	16%	31%	14%
Health care	27%	20%	12%	34%	8%
Immigration	18%	22%	12%	36%	12%
Medicare	23%	23%	13%	24%	16%
Social security	21%	23%	14%	24%	19%
Taxes	17%	25%	14%	28%	16%
Terrorism	20%	21%	13%	32%	13%



67. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way that the United States Congress is handling its job?

Strongly approve	3%
Somewhat approve	9%
Neither approve nor disapprove	21%
Somewhat disapprove	20%
Strongly disapprove	31%
Not sure	16%

68. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the following groups in Congress?

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know
Democrats in Congress	12%	22%	19%	29%	17%
Republicans in Congress	7%	21%	21%	33%	17%

69. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Paul Ryan is handling his job as Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives?

Strongly approve	8%
Somewhat approve	25%
Somewhat disapprove	16%
Strongly disapprove	21%
Not sure	30%

70. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Mitch McConnell is handling his job as Majority Leader of the U.S. Senate?

Strongly approve	.4%
Somewhat approve	20%
Somewhat disapprove	15%
Strongly disapprove	26%
Not sure	35%



71. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Chuck Schumer is handling his job as Minority Leader of the U.S. Senate?

Strongly approve7%
Somewhat approve18%
Somewhat disapprove12%
Strongly disapprove
Not sure

72. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Nancy Pelosi is handling her job as the Minority Leader of the U.S. House of Representatives?

Strongly approve	7%
Somewhat approve	18%
Somewhat disapprove	12%
Strongly disapprove	31%
Not sure	32%

73. Do you think this new congress will accomplish more or less than usual?

More than usual	35%
About the same	27%
Less than usual	15%
Not sure	22%

74. Who do you think will be more to blame for Congress achieving less than usual? Asked if respondent says Congress will accomplish less than usual

Democrats in Congress5	%
Republicans in Congress54	%
Both equally	
Neither	%
Not sure	%



75. Overall, do you think the economy is getting better or worse?	
Getting better27%About the same38%Getting worse24%Not sure11%	
76. Overall, do you think the level of unemployment is getting better or worse?	
Getting better26%About the same39%Getting worse23%Not sure12%	
77. Do you think the stock market will be higher or lower 12 months from now?	
Higher       30%         About the same       24%         Lower       18%         Not sure       27%	
78. Would you say that you and your family are	
Better off financially than you were a year ago	
79. Six months from now do you think there will be	
More jobs	



80. How worried are you about losing your job?		
Very worried11%Somewhat worried27%Not very worried62%		
81. If you lost your job, how hard would it be for you to find a new job that paid as much as you are making now?		
Very hard – I would probably have to take a pay cut.32%Somewhat hard – It might take a while before I found a job that paid as much.37%Not very hard19%Not sure12%		
32. How happy would you say you are with your current job?		
Very happy       28%         Happy       37%         Neither happy nor unhappy       26%         Unhappy       6%         Very unhappy       5%		
83. Some people seem to follow what's going on in government and public affairs most of the time, whether there's an election going on or not. Others aren't that interested. Would you say you follow what's going on in government and public affairs?		
Most of the time43%Some of the time29%Only now and then15%Hardly at all9%Don't know5%		



84. In general, how would you describe your own political viewpoint?	
Liberal       24%         Moderate       31%         Conservative       31%         Not sure       13%	
85. Thinking about politics these days, how would you describe your own political viewpoint	nt?
Very liberal       8%         Liberal       16%         Moderate       31%         Conservative       20%         Very Conservative       11%         Not sure       13%	
86. Are you registered to vote?	
Registered	
87. Did you vote in the election on Tuesday 8 November 2016?	
Yes	
88. Who did you vote for in the election for President?	
Hillary Clinton	
Did not vote for President	



89.	Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a?	
	Democrat       31%         Republican       26%         Independent       29%         Other       3%         Not sure       11%	
90.	Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a?	
	Strong Democrat20%Not very strong Democrat11%Lean Democrat8%Independent19%Lean Republican9%Not very strong Republican11%Strong Republican16%Not sure7%	
91.	Would you describe yourself as a libertarian?	
	Yes       13%         No       56%         Not sure       31%	
92.	Would you describe yourself as a progressive?	
	Yes       32%         No       37%         Not sure       31%	
93.	Are you male or female?	
	Male	



94. Respondent age by category	
Under 30       16%         30-44       25%         45-64       37%         65+       22%	
95. What racial or ethnic group best describes you?	
White       68%         Black       13%         Hispanic       11%         Other       8%	
96. What is the highest level of education you have completed?	
HS or less 38% Some college 32% College grad 19% Postgrad 11%	
97. What is your marital status?	
Married       50%         Separated       2%         Divorced       13%         Widowed       6%         Single       26%         Domestic partnership       4%	
98. Are you the parent or guardian of any children under the age of 18?	
Yes	



99. National Region Calculated from respondent's state of residence		
Northeast       21%         Midwest       22%         South       37%         West       20%		
100. How would you describe the place where you live?		
City       34%         Suburb       31%         Town       15%         Rural area       20%         Other       1%		
101. Which of the following best describes the place where you live?		
A large city		
102. Overall, how would you rate your city or town as a place to live?		
Excellent		



103. Do you or does anyone in your household own a gun?	
Decreased to the second	000/
Personally own a gun	. 22%
Don't personally own a gun, but someone in the household owns a gun	. 12%
No one in the household owns a gun	.59%

#### 104. Which of the following best describes your current employment status?

Full-time employed	35%
Part-time employed	10%
Self-employed	
Unemployed or temporarily on layoff	10%
Retired	25%
Permanently disabled	10%
Homemaker	8%
Other	2%

#### 105. Thinking back over the last year, what was your family's annual income?

Under \$50K	51%
\$50-100K	24%
\$100K or more	11%
Prefer not to say	13%

106. We'd like to know whether you or someone in your immediate family is currently serving or has ever served in the U.S. military. Immediate family is defined as your parents, siblings, spouse, and children. Please check all boxes that apply.

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Family member	′%
I served previously13	%
Family served previously39	%
None	;%



107. Are you or is someone in your household a member of a labor union?	
Yes, I am       6%         Yes, household member is       7%         No       87%	
108. How important is religion in your life?	
Very important39%Somewhat important28%Not too important15%Not at all important18%	
109. Aside from weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services?	
More than once a week8%Once a week17%Once or twice a month9%A few times a year14%Seldom22%Never26%Don't know3%	
110. Would you describe yourself as a "born-again" or evangelical Christian, or not?	
Yes	



# 111. People practice their religion in different ways. Outside of attending religious services, how often do you pray?

Several times a day2	28%
Once a day1	14%
A few times a week1	12%
Once a week	.3%
A few times a month	7%
Seldom1	14%
Never1	17%
Don't know	.4%

### 112. What is your present religion, if any?

Protestant
Roman Catholic19%
Mormon
Eastern or Greek Orthodox
Jewish
Muslim
Buddhist
Hindu
Atheist
Agnostic
Nothing in particular
Something else



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Interviewing Dates January 23 - 25, 2017

Target population US Adult Population

Sampling method Respondents were selected from YouGov's opt-in Internet

panel using sample matching. A random sample (stratified by gender, age, race, education, and region) was selected from the 2014 American Community Study. Voter registration was imputed from the November 2014 Current Population Survey Registration and Voting

Supplement.

Weighting The sample was weighted based on gender, age, race,

education, and 2016 Presidential vote. The weights range from 0.1 to 4.7, with a mean of one and a standard

deviation of 0.72.

Number of respondents 2692

2312 (Registered voters)

**Margin of error**  $\pm$  2.3% (adjusted for weighting)

 $\pm$  2.4% (Registered voters)

Survey mode Web-based interviews

**Questions not reported** 26 questions not reported.