

# The Economist/YouGov Poll



Sample 1300 General Population Respondents  
 Conducted August 27 - 29, 2016  
 Margin of Error ±4.1%

## 1. Would you say things in this country today are...

Generally headed in the right direction ..... 25%  
 Off on the wrong track ..... 65%  
 Not sure ..... 10%

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

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know
Hillary Clinton	23%	18%	15%	43%	1%
Donald Trump	18%	16%	12%	52%	2%
Gary Johnson	4%	21%	16%	11%	47%
Jill Stein	4%	15%	16%	16%	49%
Evan McMullin	1%	9%	9%	9%	73%
Tim Kaine	11%	19%	15%	18%	37%
Mike Pence	15%	21%	14%	23%	27%

## 3. Do you have a good idea of which candidate you'll vote for in the presidential election in November, or are you still making up your mind?

*Asked of registered voters*

I have a good idea of who I'll vote for ..... 86%  
 I'm still making up my mind ..... 10%  
 I don't plan to vote in the election this November ..... 3%  
 Not sure ..... 2%

**4. If the 2016 presidential election were being held today and the candidates were Hillary Clinton, the Democrat, Donald Trump, the Republican, Gary Johnson, the Libertarian, and Jill Stein, from the Green Party, who would you vote for?**

*Registered voters only*

Hillary Clinton .....	42%
Donald Trump .....	37%
Gary Johnson .....	7%
Jill Stein .....	3%
Someone else .....	2%
Not sure yet .....	7%
Probably won't vote .....	2%

**5. Which candidate do you prefer more, Hillary Clinton or Donald Trump?**

*Asked of registered voters who would vote for Gary Johnson, Jill Stein, 'someone else' or are not sure yet for whom they would vote*

Hillary Clinton .....	31%
Donald Trump .....	26%
No preference .....	43%

**6. Which candidate do you prefer more, Hillary Clinton or Donald Trump?**

*Registered voters*

Hillary Clinton .....	47%
Donald Trump .....	42%
Someone else / Not sure yet / No preference .....	8%
Probably won't vote .....	2%

**7. Would you say you are mostly voting FOR Hillary Clinton or AGAINST Donald Trump?**

*Asked of those who would vote for Hillary Clinton*

I'm mostly voting <u>FOR</u> Hillary Clinton .....	62%
I'm mostly voting <u>AGAINST</u> Donald Trump .....	36%
Not sure .....	2%

**8. Would you say you are mostly voting FOR Donald Trump or AGAINST Hillary Clinton?**

*Asked of those who would vote for Donald Trump*

I'm mostly voting <u>FOR</u> Donald Trump .....	57%
I'm mostly voting <u>AGAINST</u> Hillary Clinton .....	42%
Not sure .....	1%

**9. Would you say you are mostly voting FOR Gary Johnson, AGAINST Hillary Clinton or AGAINST Donald Trump?**

*Asked of those who would vote for Gary Johnson*

I'm mostly voting <u>FOR</u> Gary Johnson .....	48%
I'm mostly voting <u>AGAINST</u> Hillary Clinton .....	26%
I'm mostly voting <u>AGAINST</u> Donald Trump .....	19%
Not sure .....	7%

**10. Would you say you are mostly voting FOR Jill Stein, AGAINST Hillary Clinton or AGAINST Donald Trump?**

*Asked of those who would vote for Jill Stein*

I'm mostly voting <u>FOR</u> Jill Stein .....	85%
I'm mostly voting <u>AGAINST</u> Hillary Clinton .....	10%
I'm mostly voting <u>AGAINST</u> Donald Trump .....	6%
Not sure .....	0%

**11. Primary voter motivation**

I'm mostly voting <u>FOR</u> Hillary Clinton .....	29%
I'm mostly voting <u>FOR</u> Donald Trump .....	24%
I'm mostly voting <u>FOR</u> Gary Johnson .....	4%
I'm mostly voting <u>FOR</u> Jill Stein .....	3%
I'm mostly voting <u>AGAINST</u> Hillary Clinton .....	20%
I'm mostly voting <u>AGAINST</u> Donald Trump .....	19%
Not sure .....	2%

**12. Would you consider voting for Hillary Clinton?**

*Asked of registered voters*

I plan on voting for Hillary Clinton .....	42%
Might consider voting for her .....	8%
Would never vote for her .....	46%
Not sure .....	2%
Probably won't vote .....	2%

**13. Would you consider voting for Donald Trump?**

*Asked of registered voters*

I plan on voting for Donald Trump .....	37%
Might consider voting for him .....	6%
Would never vote for him .....	51%
Not sure .....	3%
Probably won't vote .....	2%

**14. Would you consider voting for Gary Johnson?**

*Asked of registered voters*

I plan on voting for Gary Johnson .....	7%
Might consider voting for him .....	21%
Would never vote for him .....	41%
Not sure .....	29%
Probably won't vote .....	2%

**15. Would you consider voting for Jill Stein?**

*Asked of registered voters*

I plan on voting for Jill Stein .....	3%
Might consider voting for her .....	17%
Would never vote for her .....	48%
Not sure .....	30%
Probably won't vote .....	2%

**16. What do you think is the most likely outcome of the presidential election with Hillary Clinton as the Democratic nominee and Donald Trump as the Republican nominee?**

Clinton will win in a landslide .....	23%
Clinton will win narrowly .....	32%
Trump will win narrowly .....	19%
Trump will win in a landslide .....	7%
Not sure .....	18%

**17. Are you better off now than you were eight years ago?**

Better off now .....	25%
Better off eight years ago .....	36%
No difference .....	32%
Not sure .....	7%

**18. How important will the following issues be in your vote for president this year?**

*Asked of likely voters*

	Very important	Somewhat important	Not very important	Not at all important	Not sure
Income inequality	44%	31%	12%	11%	1%
Social Security	68%	24%	6%	1%	1%
Climate change	35%	26%	18%	19%	2%
Health care	71%	22%	5%	1%	1%
Immigration reform	55%	33%	10%	2%	1%
Gun control	52%	23%	13%	12%	0%
Fighting terrorism	71%	20%	6%	2%	1%
Job creation	66%	28%	5%	1%	1%
National security	73%	20%	5%	1%	1%
Religious liberty	41%	29%	15%	13%	2%

**19. Which of these is the most important issue for you?**

*Asked of likely voters*

Income inequality .....	5%
Social Security .....	17%
Climate change .....	7%
Health care .....	11%
Immigration reform .....	7%
Gun control .....	7%
Fighting terrorism .....	11%
Job creation .....	12%
National security .....	18%
Religious liberty .....	5%

**20. How much do you think Hillary Clinton cares about the needs and problems of...**

	A lot	Some	Not much	Doesn't care at all	Not sure
People like you	21%	24%	16%	35%	3%
LGBTQ people (Lesbians and gays)	25%	31%	15%	21%	8%
Women	35%	28%	16%	16%	5%
Poor people	23%	24%	22%	28%	3%
Black people	21%	31%	21%	22%	5%
White people	27%	32%	15%	20%	6%
Hispanics	21%	30%	21%	20%	7%
Working class people	24%	25%	19%	28%	3%
Middle class people	21%	27%	22%	26%	4%
Wealthy people	41%	28%	13%	12%	6%

21. How much do you think Donald Trump cares about the needs and problems of...

	A lot	Some	Not much	Doesn't care at all	Not sure
People like you	20%	20%	16%	40%	4%
LGBTQ people (Lesbians and gays)	8%	21%	23%	41%	8%
Women	15%	21%	21%	37%	5%
Poor people	17%	20%	17%	42%	4%
Black people	15%	21%	18%	41%	5%
White people	41%	30%	12%	12%	5%
Hispanics	13%	21%	17%	44%	5%
Working class people	24%	20%	18%	33%	5%
Middle class people	19%	24%	23%	30%	4%
Wealthy people	52%	27%	9%	7%	5%

22. Regardless of your overall opinion of Hillary Clinton or Donald Trump, do you think each one is in good enough physical condition to serve effectively as president for the next four years?

	Physical condition is good enough	Physical condition not good enough	Not sure
Hillary Clinton	56%	30%	14%
Donald Trump	64%	17%	18%

23. Regardless of your overall opinion of the Hillary Clinton or Donald Trump, do you feel each one has the qualifications to be president?

	Qualified to be president	Not qualified to be president	Not sure
Hillary Clinton	55%	38%	7%
Donald Trump	29%	59%	11%

24. Do you think Hillary Clinton or Donald Trump are honest and trustworthy, or not?

	Honest and trustworthy	Not honest and trustworthy	Not sure
Hillary Clinton	27%	60%	13%
Donald Trump	29%	60%	12%

25. Are you confident or uneasy about the following presidential candidates' ability to deal wisely with terrorism?

	Confident	Uneasy	Not sure
Hillary Clinton	39%	51%	9%
Donald Trump	31%	60%	9%

26. Are you confident or uneasy about the following presidential candidates' ability handle the economy?

	Confident	Uneasy	Not sure
Hillary Clinton	38%	51%	11%
Donald Trump	35%	56%	9%

27. When Hillary Clinton or Donald Trump talk about trying to improve the lives of African-Americans, do you think they really mean it, or are they just trying to win votes?

	Really means it	Just trying to win votes	Both equally	Not sure
Hillary Clinton	26%	53%	13%	8%
Donald Trump	22%	61%	9%	9%

28. Are you confident or uneasy about Hillary Clinton's or Donald Trump's ability to deal wisely with immigration?

	Confident	Uneasy	Not sure
Hillary Clinton	40%	50%	11%
Donald Trump	33%	58%	10%



29. Would you use the words below to describe Hillary Clinton?

	Yes	No	Not sure
Capable	54%	36%	10%
Hard worker	60%	29%	11%
Successful	72%	20%	8%
Dangerous	46%	45%	10%
Crazy	31%	59%	11%
Corrupt	54%	32%	14%
Evil	37%	53%	11%
Patriotic	49%	38%	12%
Religious	19%	49%	32%
Tough	56%	31%	12%
Smart	76%	18%	6%
Compassionate	39%	47%	14%
Racist	21%	58%	21%
Bigoted	24%	51%	24%

30. Would you use the words below to describe Donald Trump?

	Yes	No	Not sure
Capable	45%	44%	10%
Hard worker	56%	31%	13%
Successful	70%	20%	10%
Dangerous	57%	33%	10%
Crazy	56%	34%	10%
Corrupt	45%	40%	15%
Evil	40%	46%	14%
Patriotic	49%	33%	18%
Religious	13%	56%	31%
Tough	63%	26%	10%
Smart	57%	30%	12%
Compassionate	26%	59%	15%
Racist	51%	35%	14%
Bigoted	47%	36%	17%

**31. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of the following people?**

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know
Bill Clinton	23%	29%	15%	27%	5%
Bernie Sanders	28%	32%	18%	15%	8%
Michelle Obama	40%	21%	12%	22%	5%
Melania Trump	13%	25%	20%	20%	22%

**32. How serious a problem is ILLEGAL immigration in the United States?**

Very serious	47%
Somewhat serious	30%
A minor problem	17%
Not a problem	4%
Not sure	2%

**33. How serious a problem is ILLEGAL immigration in your LOCAL community?**

Very serious	15%
Somewhat serious	25%
A minor problem	27%
Not a problem	24%
Not sure	8%

**34. Which comes closest to your view about illegal immigrants who are living in the US?**

They should be allowed to stay in the US and eventually apply for citizenship.	46%
They should be allowed to stay in the US legally, but not be allowed to apply for citizenship.	16%
They should be required to leave the US.	37%

**35. When it comes to immigration reform, which party do you trust most?**

Republican party .....	25%
Democratic party .....	36%
Both equally .....	3%
Neither .....	24%
Not sure .....	12%

**36. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: "When Mexico sends its people, they're not sending their best. They're sending people that have lots of problems. They're bringing drugs. They're bringing crime. They're rapists."**

Agree strongly .....	17%
Agree somewhat .....	24%
Disagree somewhat .....	19%
Disagree strongly .....	28%
Not sure .....	12%

**37. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: "Yes, illegal immigrants broke the law, but it's not a felony. It's an act of love, it's an act of commitment to your family..."**

Agree strongly .....	8%
Agree somewhat .....	27%
Disagree somewhat .....	18%
Disagree strongly .....	32%
Not sure .....	15%

**38. Do you believe the US is a nation of immigrants?**

Yes .....	84%
No .....	8%
Not sure .....	8%

**39. Which of these statements best describes you?**

I am an immigrant to the USA but not a citizen .....	4%
I am an immigrant to the USA and a naturalized citizen .....	6%
I was born in the USA but at least one of my parents is an immigrant .....	8%
My parents and I were born in the USA but at least one of my grandparents was an immigrant .....	20%
My parents, grandparents and I were all born in the USA .....	58%
Prefer not to say .....	4%

**40. Do you personally know anyone who is an illegal immigrant?**

Yes .....	24%
No .....	60%
Not sure .....	16%

**41. Should people report employers who hire illegal immigrants?**

Yes .....	62%
No .....	18%
Not sure .....	20%

**42. Do you favor or oppose the following immigration policy proposals?**

	Favor	Oppose	Not sure
Requiring churches to report illegal immigrants	30%	49%	21%
Increasing fines for employers who hire illegal immigrants	65%	17%	18%
Making it a crime to hire illegal immigrants	59%	22%	19%
Requiring police to report illegal immigrants to federal government	61%	22%	17%
Not allowing illegal immigrants to attend public school	39%	42%	19%
Constructing a large wall along the border with Mexico	36%	48%	16%

**43. From what you've seen or heard about each of the following presidential candidates, which of the following comes closest to HILLARY CLINTON'S POSITION on illegal immigrants living in the United States?**

She thinks they should be allowed to stay in the US and eventually apply for citizenship.	62%
She thinks they should be allowed to stay in the US legally, but not be allowed to apply for citizenship	5%
She thinks they should be required to leave the US, but they should be able to come back eventually if they fulfill certain requirements	7%
She thinks they should be required to leave the US and not be allowed back in	2%
None of these	2%
Not sure	22%

44. From what you've seen or heard about each of the following presidential candidates, which of the following comes closest to DONALD TRUMP'S POSITION on illegal immigrants living in the United States?

- He thinks they should be allowed to stay in the US and eventually apply for citizenship. ....2%
- He thinks they should be allowed to stay in the US legally, but not be allowed to apply for citizenship .....3%
- He thinks they should be required to leave the US, but they should be able to come back eventually if they fulfill certain requirements .....40%
- He thinks they should be required to leave the US and not be allowed back in .....38%
- None of these .....3%
- Not sure .....14%

45. Over the course of the presidential campaign do you think Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump have been consistent or inconsistent when it comes to immigration policy?

	Consistent	Inconsistent	Not sure
Hillary Clinton	54%	27%	19%
Donald Trump	32%	57%	11%

46. How likely do you think we are to get into a major war within the next 10 years?

- Very likely .....23%
- Fairly likely .....40%
- Fairly unlikely .....18%
- Very unlikely .....3%
- Not sure .....15%

47. How likely do you think it is that if elected President, Hillary Clinton or Donald Trump would get us into a war?

	Very likely	Fairly likely	Fairly unlikely	Very unlikely	Not sure
Hillary Clinton	22%	24%	25%	14%	15%
Donald Trump	42%	21%	18%	6%	13%

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

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know
Sean Hannity	11%	18%	10%	21%	40%
Bill O'Reilly	11%	22%	15%	25%	27%
Megyn Kelly	9%	23%	16%	13%	38%
Anderson Cooper	19%	29%	15%	9%	27%
Joe Scarborough	3%	14%	14%	10%	59%

49. Do you think Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump spend too much, too little, or about the right amount of time answering questions from the news media?

	Too much time	About the right amount of time	Too little time	Not sure
Hillary Clinton	10%	37%	38%	16%
Donald Trump	27%	36%	23%	15%

50. Regardless of your feelings about the Clintons themselves, do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of the Clinton Foundation?

Very favorable	16%
Somewhat favorable	19%
Somewhat unfavorable	11%
Very unfavorable	31%
Don't know	23%

51. From what you have seen or heard, have the Clintons personally profited from the Clinton Foundation?

Yes	49%
No	18%
Not sure	34%

52. What do you think should happen with the Clinton Foundation if Hillary Clinton is elected president?

It should keep operating as it is .....	11%
It should keep operating, but it should stop taking corporate or foreign donations .....	23%
It should be shut down completely while she is president .....	33%
Something else .....	10%
Not sure .....	23%



53. Do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
The U.S. government helped plan the attacks of 9/11	41%	22%	21%	9%	6%
Some people have psychic powers such as telepathy, or the ability to move objects with their minds, that scientists ignore	22%	22%	29%	21%	6%
The financial crash of 2008 was secretly orchestrated by a handful of Wall Street bankers	11%	19%	40%	22%	9%
Airliners and other aircraft are being used to spray chemical trails into the upper atmosphere	23%	22%	38%	11%	6%
Public health officials are deliberately withholding data that show vaccines and many other medications cause autism and other psychological disorders.	23%	17%	32%	19%	9%
The U. S. government and some private citizens have made contact with extraterrestrials	24%	20%	38%	12%	6%

**54. Do you agree or disagree with the following statements?**

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
The Bible is the literal word of God and without error.	28%	17%	23%	16%	16%
A person can find the future revealed in places like the Bible if only he or she knows how to read the signs	25%	13%	29%	24%	8%
We are living in End Times as foretold by Biblical prophesy	23%	15%	32%	19%	11%

**55. What are the chances...**

	Very High	High	Neither High Nor Low	Low	Very Low
...we'll have a catastrophic outbreak of some major disease (like Zika virus, or H1N1 flu) in the next year?	6%	29%	37%	24%	5%
...that the U.S. will go to war with China or Russia in the next 5 years?	5%	15%	42%	30%	9%
...of a terrorist attack on U.S. soil in the next year?	17%	40%	26%	13%	4%

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

	Ally	Friendly	Unfriendly	Enemy	Not sure
Brazil	9%	52%	15%	1%	22%
Canada	60%	30%	2%	1%	8%
China	3%	24%	41%	14%	17%
Mexico	14%	46%	21%	4%	14%
United Kingdom	63%	23%	3%	1%	11%

**57. Do you think the United States should increase or decrease the amount of trade it conducts with the following countries?**

	Increase	Keep the same	Decrease	Not sure
Brazil	18%	41%	12%	30%
Canada	39%	39%	3%	19%
China	10%	23%	49%	18%
Mexico	19%	33%	28%	20%
United Kingdom	38%	38%	4%	20%

**58. Thinking about the Summer Olympics this year, how much of the games did you watch?**

I will watch events every day	11%
I will watch lots of events when I can	17%
I will watch a few events	35%
I will not watch any of them	30%
Not sure	6%

**59. Do you consider the Summer Olympic games in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil to have been successful or unsuccessful?**

Very successful	21%
Somewhat successful	41%
Somewhat unsuccessful	11%
Very unsuccessful	7%
Not sure	21%

60. Do you think the International Olympic Committee made a good decision in selecting Rio de Janeiro to host the Summer Olympic Games?

Yes .....	29%
No .....	43%
Not sure .....	27%

61. How corrupt do you think the Brazilian government is?

Very corrupt .....	30%
Somewhat corrupt .....	34%
Not very corrupt .....	6%
Not at all corrupt .....	2%
Not sure .....	27%

62. How closely are you following the news about the Zika virus?

Very closely .....	14%
Somewhat closely .....	46%
Not very closely .....	30%
Not following at all .....	10%

63. How concerned are you about the possibility of Olympic athletes contracting the Zika virus?

Very concerned .....	11%
Somewhat concerned .....	40%
Not very concerned .....	34%
Not concerned at all .....	15%

64. How big of a risk do you think it is that Americans traveling to Brazil for the Olympics may have brought the virus back to the United States?

Big risk .....	17%
Medium risk .....	36%
Small risk .....	37%
Not sure .....	10%

65. How concerned are you about a Zika virus epidemic here in the United States?

Very concerned .....	16%
Somewhat concerned .....	43%
Not very concerned .....	33%
Not concerned at all .....	8%

66. Taking into consideration both your risk of contracting it and the seriousness of the illness, how worried are you personally about experiencing the Zika virus?

Very worried .....	11%
Somewhat worried .....	22%
Not too worried .....	40%
Not worried at all .....	27%

67. Do you think the United States is doing enough, too much, or not enough to prevent a Zika virus outbreak?

Doing too much .....	3%
Doing enough .....	32%
Not doing enough .....	39%
Don't know .....	26%

68. Should the US government increase or decrease spending on Zika virus research, or should it continue to spend the current amount?

Increase spending .....	42%
Spend the same .....	33%
Decrease spending .....	4%
Not sure .....	21%

69. Some people say that the federal government should use some of the money it was going to spend on other scientific research, like preventing Ebola, to help prevent an outbreak of Zika virus in the United States. Other people say that the government should not cut spending on other scientific research, but should instead get money for preventing a Zika outbreak from other sources. What do you think?

Use money that was going to be spent on other scientific research .....	26%
Get money for preventing a Zika outbreak from other sources .....	46%
Not sure .....	28%

70. Congress has not passed a bill to provide funding to research and combat a possible Zika epidemic here in the U.S. The White House has said it should be Congress' No. 1 priority when they return from the summer. What do you think?

Passing a bill to provide funding to combat the Zika virus should be Congress' top priority .....	36%
Although funding Zika research is important, Congress has other, more important priorities .....	41%
Not sure .....	23%

71. Which party is more at risk in this fall's elections if Congress does not act on Zika funding?

Democratic Party .....	15%
Republican Party .....	29%
Not sure .....	56%

72. How important are the following issues to you?

	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not very Important	Unimportant
The economy	71%	25%	3%	1%
Immigration	44%	38%	15%	3%
The environment	45%	37%	12%	6%
Terrorism	67%	25%	6%	2%
Gay rights	19%	27%	26%	27%
Education	56%	34%	8%	3%
Health care	68%	25%	5%	1%
Social security	66%	25%	7%	1%
The budget deficit	48%	37%	12%	4%
The war in Afghanistan	34%	44%	18%	4%
Taxes	51%	40%	8%	1%
Medicare	60%	31%	7%	1%
Abortion	32%	33%	22%	14%
Foreign policy	44%	42%	11%	2%
Gun control	51%	23%	16%	10%
International trade and globalization	35%	43%	17%	4%
Use of military force	43%	45%	10%	2%

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

The economy	20%
Immigration	6%
The environment	7%
Terrorism	14%
Gay rights	1%
Education	6%
Health care	8%
Social security	18%
The budget deficit	3%
The war in Afghanistan	1%
Taxes	2%
Medicare	3%
Abortion	3%
Foreign policy	3%
Gun control	4%

74. 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	32%	19%	14%	32%	3%
Joe Biden	25%	25%	16%	22%	13%
Paul Ryan	7%	24%	23%	22%	23%
Mitch McConnell	2%	15%	17%	30%	36%
Nancy Pelosi	7%	19%	15%	34%	24%
Harry Reid	4%	16%	13%	29%	38%



**75. 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	21%	23%	17%	30%	9%
The Republican Party	9%	23%	19%	39%	10%

**76. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President?**

Strongly Approve	24%
Somewhat Approve	26%
Somewhat Disapprove	12%
Strongly Disapprove	32%
Not Sure	5%

**77. Would you say Barack Obama is...**

Very liberal	32%
Liberal	22%
Moderate	23%
Conservative	5%
Very conservative	4%
Not sure	13%

**78. Would you say Barack Obama is a strong or a weak leader?**

Very strong	23%
Somewhat strong	27%
Somewhat weak	21%
Very weak	29%

**79. Do you think Barack Obama...**

Says what he believes .....	47%
Says what he thinks people want to hear .....	42%
Not sure .....	11%

**80. Regardless of whether you agree with him, do you like Barack Obama as a person?**

Like a lot .....	41%
Like somewhat .....	24%
Dislike .....	26%
Not sure .....	9%

**81. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling these specific issues?**

	Strongly approve	Somewhat approve	Somewhat disapprove	Strongly disapprove	No opinion
Abortion	18%	22%	11%	26%	24%
The war in Afghanistan	11%	24%	22%	31%	12%
The budget deficit	15%	22%	16%	33%	14%
The economy	20%	27%	14%	30%	9%
Education	19%	27%	18%	23%	13%
The environment	19%	30%	17%	21%	13%
Foreign policy	18%	22%	14%	32%	15%
Gay rights	24%	23%	12%	25%	17%
Gun control	17%	24%	15%	33%	11%
Health care	21%	25%	12%	35%	6%
Immigration	16%	24%	12%	37%	10%
Medicare	16%	24%	16%	28%	15%
Social security	16%	25%	17%	27%	15%
Taxes	13%	27%	16%	29%	15%
Terrorism	16%	25%	14%	35%	10%

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

Strongly approve	3%
Somewhat approve	7%
Neither approve nor disapprove	17%
Somewhat disapprove	25%
Strongly disapprove	38%
Not sure	10%

83. Do you approve or disapprove of the way the member of the US House of Representatives that represents your Congressional district is handling his or her job?

Strongly approve	6%
Somewhat approve	16%
Neither approve nor disapprove	24%
Somewhat disapprove	17%
Strongly disapprove	20%
Not sure	17%

84. If the election for Congress were being held today, and you had to make a choice, would you be voting for...

*Asked of registered voters*

The Democratic Party candidate	42%
The Republican Party candidate	39%
Other	2%
Not sure	15%
I would not vote	2%

85. About how often do you vote for the Democratic Party candidate for Congress?

*Asked of registered voters*

Always	21%
Usually, but not always	23%
About half the time	10%
Sometimes, but not often	23%
Never	23%

**86. About how often do you vote for the Republican Party candidate for Congress?**

*Asked of registered voters*

Always .....	14%
Usually, but not always .....	25%
About half the time .....	11%
Sometimes, but not often .....	20%
Never .....	30%

**87. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Paul Ryan is handling his job as Speaker of the US House of Representatives?**

Strongly approve .....	6%
Somewhat approve .....	27%
Somewhat disapprove .....	19%
Strongly disapprove .....	21%
Not sure .....	27%

**88. Do you think the current Congress has accomplished more or less than Congress usually does at this point in its two-year term?**

More than usual .....	3%
About the same .....	27%
Less than usual .....	49%
Not sure .....	21%

**89. Who is more to blame for Congress achieving less than usual?**

*Asked if respondent says Congress accomplished less than usual*

Democrats in Congress .....	9%
Republicans in Congress .....	52%
Both equally .....	37%
Neither .....	1%
Not sure .....	1%

90. 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	13%	25%	21%	26%	16%
Republicans in Congress	4%	18%	26%	37%	16%

91. Are the two US Senators who represent your state...

Both Democrats	20%
Both Republicans	19%
One is a Democrat and the other is a Republican	16%
One is a Democrat and the other is an Independent	1%
One is a Republican and the other is an Independent	1%
Not sure	43%

92. Is the member of Congress who represents your district a...

Democrat	29%
Republican	34%
Independent	2%
Not sure	36%

93. If the election were being held today and the member of Congress who represents your district was running, would you...

*Asked of registered voters*

Definitely vote <u>FOR</u> your member of Congress	18%
Probably vote <u>FOR</u> your member of Congress	22%
Probably vote <u>AGAINST</u> your member of Congress	9%
Definitely vote <u>AGAINST</u> your member of Congress	17%
Not sure	33%

**94. Would a congressional candidate’s endorsement of Donald Trump make you...**

*Asked of registered voters*

More likely to support the candidate for Congress .....	22%
Less likely to support the candidate for Congress .....	44%
No difference .....	34%

**95. Would a congressional candidate’s endorsement of Donald Trump make you...**

*Asked of registered voters*

More likely to support Trump .....	14%
Less likely to support Trump .....	26%
No difference .....	60%

**96. Overall, do you think the economy is getting better or worse?**

Getting better .....	17%
About the same .....	34%
Getting worse .....	40%
Not sure .....	8%

**97. Do you think the stock market will be higher or lower 12 months from now?**

Higher .....	20%
About the same .....	31%
Lower .....	19%
Not sure .....	31%

**98. Would you say that you and your family are...**

Better off financially than you were a year ago .....	15%
About the same financially as you were a year ago .....	45%
Worse off financially than you were a year ago .....	33%
Not sure .....	7%

99. Six months from now do you think there will be...

More jobs .....	18%
The same amount of jobs .....	38%
Fewer jobs .....	23%
Not sure .....	21%

100. How worried are you about losing your job?

Very worried .....	13%
Somewhat worried .....	28%
Not very worried .....	59%

101. 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. ....	36%
Somewhat hard – It might take a while before I found a job that paid as much. .....	38%
Not very hard .....	16%
Not sure .....	9%

102. How happy would you say you are with your current job?

Very happy .....	22%
Happy .....	37%
Neither happy nor unhappy .....	29%
Unhappy .....	8%
Very unhappy .....	3%

103. 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 time	48%
Some of the time	30%
Only now and then	13%
Hardly at all	8%
Don’t know	1%

104. In general, how would you describe your own political viewpoint?

Liberal	25%
Moderate	39%
Conservative	35%
Not sure	2%

105. Thinking about politics these days, how would you describe your own political viewpoint?

Very liberal	6%
Liberal	19%
Moderate	39%
Conservative	28%
Very Conservative	6%
Not sure	2%

106. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a ...?

Democrat	33%
Republican	25%
Independent	38%
Other	4%
Not sure	-



107. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a ...?

Strong Democrat .....	22%
Not very strong Democrat .....	11%
Lean Democrat .....	15%
Independent .....	12%
Lean Republican .....	10%
Not very strong Republican .....	12%
Strong Republican .....	12%
Not sure .....	6%

108. Would you describe yourself as a libertarian?

Yes .....	16%
No .....	54%
Not sure .....	30%

109. Would you describe yourself as a progressive?

Yes .....	35%
No .....	37%
Not sure .....	28%

110. Generally speaking, do you support or oppose the goals of the Tea Party movement?

Strongly support .....	8%
Somewhat support .....	15%
Neither support, nor oppose .....	20%
Somewhat oppose .....	10%
Strongly oppose .....	25%
Not sure .....	22%

**111. Do you think of yourself as a part of the Tea Party movement?**

Yes .....	8%
No .....	71%
Not Sure .....	21%

**112. Are you registered to vote?**

Registered .....	72%
Not registered .....	28%

**113. How likely is it that you will vote in the 2016 Presidential election in November?**

Definitely will vote .....	62%
Probably will vote .....	9%
Maybe will vote .....	7%
Probably will not vote .....	6%
Definitely will not vote .....	13%
Don't know .....	3%

**114. Did you vote in the 2016 Presidential primary or caucus in your state?**

*Asked of registered voters*

Yes, I voted the Democratic Presidential primary or caucus .....	35%
Yes, I voted the Republican Presidential primary or caucus .....	33%
No, I did not vote in either the Republican or Democratic Presidential primary or caucus .....	28%
I don't remember .....	4%

**115. If an election for president was going to be held now, would you vote for...**

*Asked of registered voters*

The Democratic Party candidate .....	43%
The Republican Party candidate .....	36%
Other .....	9%
Not sure .....	9%
I would not vote .....	2%

**116. Are you male or female?**

Male .....	48%
Female .....	52%

**117. Respondent age by category**

Under 30 .....	21%
30-44 .....	20%
45-64 .....	37%
65+ .....	22%

**118. What racial or ethnic group best describes you?**

White .....	69%
Black .....	13%
Hispanic .....	12%
Other .....	6%

**119. What is the highest level of education you have completed?**

HS or less .....	41%
Some college .....	35%
College grad .....	15%
Postgrad .....	9%

**120. What is your marital status?**

Married .....	44%
Separated .....	2%
Divorced .....	14%
Widowed .....	7%
Single .....	29%
Domestic partnership .....	4%

121. Are you the parent or guardian of any children under the age of 18?

Yes .....	25%
No .....	75%

122. Calculated from respondent's state of residence

Northeast .....	19%
Midwest .....	23%
South .....	36%
West .....	22%

123. How would you describe the place where you live?

City .....	32%
Suburb .....	33%
Town .....	14%
Rural area .....	20%
Other .....	0%

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

Full-time employed .....	34%
Part-time employed .....	12%
Self-employed .....	-
Unemployed or temporarily on layoff .....	10%
Retired .....	26%
Permanently disabled .....	9%
Homemaker .....	6%
Other .....	2%

125. Thinking back over the last year, what was your family’s annual income?

Under \$50K .....	57%
\$50-100K .....	23%
\$100K or more .....	10%
Prefer not to say .....	11%

126. 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.

I am .....	2%
Family member .....	8%
I served previously .....	13%
Family served previously .....	34%
None .....	50%

127. Are you or is someone in your household a member of a labor union?

Yes, I am .....	6%
Yes, household member is .....	6%
No .....	88%

128. How important is religion in your life?

Very important .....	43%
Somewhat important .....	22%
Not too important .....	14%
Not at all important .....	21%

129. Aside from weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services?

More than once a week .....	7%
Once a week .....	16%
Once or twice a month .....	9%
A few times a year .....	14%
Seldom .....	24%
Never .....	28%
Don't know .....	2%

130. Would you describe yourself as a "born-again" or evangelical Christian, or not?

Yes .....	31%
No .....	69%

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

Several times a day .....	28%
Once a day .....	18%
A few times a week .....	11%
Once a week .....	3%
A few times a month .....	8%
Seldom .....	13%
Never .....	18%
Don't know .....	2%

132. What is your present religion, if any?

Protestant .....	36%
Roman Catholic .....	19%
Mormon .....	2%
Eastern or Greek Orthodox .....	0%
Jewish .....	1%
Muslim .....	2%
Buddhist .....	1%
Hindu .....	1%
Atheist .....	5%
Agnostic .....	6%
Nothing in particular .....	20%
Something else .....	7%

# The Economist/YouGov Poll



<b>Sponsorship</b>	<i>The Economist</i>
<b>Fieldwork</b>	YouGov
<b>Interviewing Dates</b>	August 27 - 29, 2016
<b>Target population</b>	U.S. citizens, aged 18 and over.
<b>Sampling method</b>	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.
<b>Weighting</b>	The sample was weighted using propensity scores based on gender, age, race, education, voter registration, and political ideology. The weights range from 0.1 to 6.3, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 1.12.
<b>Number of respondents</b>	1300
<b>Margin of error</b>	± 4.1% (adjusted for weighting)
<b>Survey mode</b>	Web-based interviews
<b>Questions not reported</b>	40 questions not reported.