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2018 HOUSE ESTIMATE

D 222 – R 213 (± 11 seats)

Based on a multilevel regression and poststratification model incorporating voter responses to this survey.

Sample 4989 Registered Voters
Conducted August 10-16, 2018
Margin of Error ±1.8%

1. In your view, do you feel America is generally headed in...

The right direction	32%
The wrong direction	42%
It depends on the issue	26%

2. What is the main reason you think the country is headed in the [right/wrong] direction?

Asked if think America is headed in right/wrong direction

The condition of the economy and your own financial situation	35%
The culture and values that you see in American society today	16%
The state of politics and how the government is functioning these days	49%

3. How would you rate the job Donald Trump is doing as President?

Very good	30%
Somewhat good	19%
Somewhat bad	9%
Very bad	42%

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4. How would you rate the nation's economy today?

Very good	26%
Somewhat good	45%
Somewhat bad	22%
Very bad	6%

5. All things considered, in our society today, do you think there are more advantages in...

Being a man	46%
Being a woman	11%
There are no advantages for one over the other	43%

6. When you think about politics over the last year, which of these describe your feelings? (Check all that apply.)

Angry	49%
Excited	18%
Proud	14%
Embarrassed	54%
Happy	15%
Scared	37%

7. How much do you think Donald Trump's policies are responsible for the current state of the economy?

A great deal	45%
Somewhat	28%
Not very	19%
Not at all	8%

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8. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump handles issues that primarily affect women?

Strongly approve	24%
Somewhat approve	15%
Somewhat disapprove	9%
Strongly disapprove	42%
Not sure	9%

9. These days, do you talk with other people about Donald Trump...

A lot	27%
Some	41%
Not much	25%
Never	6%

10. These days, do you talk with other people about your political views, generally...

A lot	20%
Some	43%
Not much	30%
Never	6%

11. Whether or not you agree with him politically, do you feel Donald Trump respects and understands people like you?

Yes	43%
No	57%

12. In deciding whether you support or oppose Donald Trump at the moment, if you had to choose, which matters most?

How he handles himself personally in what he says and does	16%
His policies and how he manages the government	62%
The values and culture he represents	22%

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13. As of now, do you plan to vote in the 2018 midterm elections for House and Senate?

Definitely	76%
Probably	10%
Maybe	8%
Probably not	3%
Definitely not	2%

14. How important are each of these in your 2018 midterms vote?

	Very important	Somewhat important	Not too important
The direction of the country	88%	11%	1%
Your own household's finances	64%	28%	8%
The issues in your local area	61%	33%	6%

15. In your midterm vote, which is more important in choosing a candidate –

Find the person who personally comes closest to representing your culture and values	35%
Find the person most in agreement with you on policy matters	65%

16. Compared to voting in a Presidential election, do you feel that a vote in the Congressional midterms this year matters...

More than a Presidential election	21%
As much as a Presidential election	67%
Less than a Presidential election	12%

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17. If the election for U.S. House of Representatives were being held today, who would you vote for in the district where you live?

Respondents were shown candidate names and parties where primaries have occurred, and generic Democratic/Republican candidate otherwise.

Democratic candidate	43%
Republican candidate	40%
Independent candidate	0%
Someone else	1%
Not sure	13%
I would not vote	2%

18. Would you ever consider voting for a Republican congressional candidate this year?

Asked of those voting for Democrats

Yes	12%
No	76%
Not sure	11%

19. Would you ever consider voting for a Democratic congressional candidate this year?

Asked of those voting for Republicans

Yes	15%
No	73%
Not sure	12%

20. Would your 2018 Congressional vote be...

Asked of likely voters

In support of Donald Trump	33%
In opposition to Donald Trump	36%
Not about Donald Trump	31%

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21. Which of these issues is something a political candidate **MUST** agree with you on to get your vote, and which is something they could disagree on but still get your vote?

	Must agree to get vote	Could disagree and still get vote
Gun policy	69%	31%
Immigration	73%	27%
Abortion	57%	43%
Views on Donald Trump	65%	35%
Health Care	75%	25%

22. If you choose to vote for [Democrats/Republicans] this year, how much of your decision will be trying to...

Asked of those voting for Democrats or Republicans

	A big part	A small part	No part at all
Send a message to Washington	64%	23%	13%
Represent people like myself	74%	21%	5%
Support candidates I like personally	44%	41%	14%
Making sure the opposing party loses	56%	28%	16%
Support policies and legislation I want	88%	10%	2%

23. How much does the Republican party care about people like you?

A lot	15%
Some	29%
Not much	28%
None	28%

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24. How much does the Democratic party care about people like you?

A lot	15%
Some	31%
Not much	25%
None	28%

25. If you were choosing between two Congressional candidates, a man and a woman, who both agreed with you on policy and party, would you prefer to vote for...

The man	6%
The woman	22%
It wouldn't matter	72%

26. Which of these is the main reason why?

Asked of respondents preferring a woman candidate

To have more diversity of people in politics	44%
Women might have better understanding on issues I care about	31%
Women might be better at negotiating and the legislative process	17%
Women might be less partisan	8%

27. Which party do you trust more when it comes to issues that mainly affect women?

Asked of women

Democratic Party	44%
Republican Party	24%
Both equally	12%
Neither	20%

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28. Generally speaking, do you think either men or women are better at each of the following things in politics, or are they equal?

	Men better	Women better	Both equal
Getting legislation passed	15%	13%	72%
Finding ways to compromise	6%	39%	55%
Being honest and ethical	4%	29%	67%
Understanding complex policies	9%	11%	80%

29. When it comes to health care, how much are you concerned about each of the following:

	A lot	Some	Not much
Making sure everyone is covered	52%	29%	18%
Keeping costs down	81%	16%	3%
Improving healthcare quality	72%	23%	5%
Promoting innovation in treatments and medical research	59%	35%	6%

30. As you may know, the federal Medicare program covers Americans over age 65. Would you favor or oppose expanding the Medicare program to make all Americans eligible?

Favor	43%
Oppose	35%
Not sure	22%

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31. When it comes to the issue of immigration, how much are you concerned about each of the following:

	A lot	Some	Not much
Making sure new immigrants are treated fairly	54%	32%	13%
Keeping the wrong people out of the country	60%	24%	16%
Making sure the country has the workforce it needs	45%	40%	15%
What immigration policy signals about American values	51%	31%	18%

32. Which comes closest to your position on abortion? Do you think abortion should be?

Legal in all cases	24%
Legal in most cases	34%
Illegal in most cases	32%
Illegal in all cases	10%

33. In general, do you think laws covering the sale of guns should be made...

More strict	57%
Less strict	11%
Kept as they are now	32%

34. How often do you vote?

Always	75%
Sometimes	19%
Rarely	5%
Never	1%

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35. How do you feel about voting in the election in November?

Very enthusiastic	53%
Somewhat enthusiastic	23%
Not enthusiastic, but probably will vote	20%
Probably won't vote	4%

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

Very liberal	13%
Somewhat liberal	17%
Moderate	29%
Somewhat conservative	20%
Very conservative	18%
Not sure	3%

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

Strong Democrat	23%
Not very strong Democrat	10%
Lean Democrat	9%
Independent	14%
Lean Republican	11%
Not very strong Republican	11%
Strong Republican	20%
Not sure	2%

38. Would you describe yourself as a born-again or evangelical Christian?

Yes	26%
No	69%
Not sure	5%

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39. What is your gender?

Male	47%
Female	53%

40. Age group

18-29	16%
30-44	22%
45-64	38%
65+	24%

41. What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

White	78%
Black	7%
Hispanic	9%
Other	6%

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

HS or less	29%
Some college	33%
College grad	24%
Post grad	14%

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1. U.S. Direction

In your view, do you feel America is generally headed in...

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
The right direction	32%	38%	27%	20%	25%	35%	42%	35%	8%	22%	33%
The wrong direction	42%	38%	45%	52%	46%	39%	36%	38%	64%	59%	40%
It depends on the issue	26%	24%	28%	28%	29%	26%	22%	27%	28%	19%	27%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,982	2,350	2,632	783	1,106	1,886	1,207	3,900	362	430	291

	Party ID				Ideology		
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
The right direction	32%	4%	31%	64%	3%	22%	63%
The wrong direction	42%	73%	38%	13%	77%	44%	12%
It depends on the issue	26%	23%	31%	23%	19%	33%	25%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%
Weighted N	4,982	1,658	1,671	1,517	1,471	1,604	1,886

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2. U.S. Direction Reasoning

What is the main reason you think the country is headed in the [right/wrong] direction?

Asked if think America is headed in right/wrong direction

	Total	Gender		Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
The condition of the economy and your own financial situation	35%	41%	30%	20%	31%	39%	43%	38%	17%	25%	33%
The culture and values that you see in American society today	16%	14%	18%	26%	19%	14%	11%	15%	20%	20%	18%
The state of politics and how the government is functioning these days	49%	44%	52%	54%	50%	47%	46%	46%	63%	55%	49%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	3,669	1,780	1,889	557	788	1,391	932	2,854	259	344	212

	Total	Party ID			Ideology		
		Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
The condition of the economy and your own financial situation	35%	8%	39%	63%	6%	29%	65%
The culture and values that you see in American society today	16%	17%	17%	13%	17%	19%	13%
The state of politics and how the government is functioning these days	49%	75%	44%	24%	77%	52%	22%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	3,669	1,281	1,144	1,167	1,179	1,068	1,412

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3. Trump Job Rating

How would you rate the job Donald Trump is doing as President?

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Very good	30%	35%	25%	13%	20%	33%	44%	34%	4%	18%	24%
Somewhat good	19%	18%	19%	19%	22%	20%	14%	19%	13%	13%	21%
Somewhat bad	9%	8%	10%	13%	12%	8%	5%	8%	14%	14%	14%
Very bad	42%	39%	46%	55%	45%	39%	37%	39%	69%	55%	41%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,967	2,349	2,618	774	1,104	1,882	1,208	3,892	362	422	291

	Party ID			Ideology			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very good	30%	2%	29%	62%	1%	15%	65%
Somewhat good	19%	6%	23%	26%	5%	24%	25%
Somewhat bad	9%	10%	10%	7%	8%	15%	5%
Very bad	42%	82%	38%	5%	86%	46%	5%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,967	1,657	1,666	1,516	1,468	1,600	1,880

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4. Rate Nation's Economy

How would you rate the nation's economy today?

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Very good	26%	35%	18%	17%	19%	27%	38%	29%	7%	18%	24%
Somewhat good	45%	44%	46%	45%	47%	45%	42%	46%	39%	41%	43%
Somewhat bad	22%	16%	28%	32%	25%	21%	17%	20%	38%	30%	24%
Very bad	6%	4%	8%	6%	9%	6%	3%	5%	15%	11%	9%
Totals	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,962	2,339	2,622	781	1,102	1,874	1,205	3,884	363	424	291

	Party ID				Ideology		
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very good	26%	4%	29%	50%	4%	15%	53%
Somewhat good	45%	48%	46%	41%	48%	51%	38%
Somewhat bad	22%	38%	20%	7%	38%	26%	7%
Very bad	6%	10%	5%	2%	9%	8%	2%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,962	1,654	1,667	1,515	1,466	1,598	1,879

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5. Gender-based Advantages

All things considered, in our society today, do you think there are more advantages in...

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Being a man	46%	40%	51%	56%	50%	42%	40%	44%	55%	50%	41%
Being a woman	11%	13%	9%	11%	12%	11%	11%	11%	14%	10%	16%
There are no advantages for one over the other	43%	47%	40%	33%	38%	47%	49%	45%	31%	40%	43%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,966	2,337	2,629	783	1,102	1,875	1,207	3,895	363	417	291

	Total	Party ID			Ideology		
		Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Being a man	46%	71%	40%	24%	78%	47%	20%
Being a woman	11%	5%	14%	14%	5%	11%	16%
There are no advantages for one over the other	43%	24%	45%	62%	17%	42%	64%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,966	1,653	1,670	1,518	1,466	1,602	1,882

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6. How Politics Makes You Feel

When you think about politics over the last year, which of these describe your feelings? (Check all that apply.)

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Angry	49%	51%	48%	56%	47%	48%	49%	49%	48%	56%	53%
Excited	18%	21%	14%	16%	15%	18%	21%	19%	5%	12%	21%
Proud	14%	16%	12%	9%	12%	15%	17%	15%	4%	11%	16%
Embarrassed	54%	52%	55%	61%	59%	52%	47%	52%	68%	59%	55%
Happy	15%	18%	12%	13%	13%	17%	15%	16%	4%	14%	15%
Scared	37%	31%	42%	54%	38%	32%	33%	36%	40%	43%	38%
Weighted N	4,989	2,353	2,636	783	1,110	1,887	1,209	3,904	363	430	292

	Party ID				Ideology		
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Angry	49%	69%	51%	27%	73%	49%	31%
Excited	18%	4%	17%	34%	4%	10%	35%
Proud	14%	2%	13%	29%	1%	8%	29%
Embarrassed	54%	76%	56%	29%	82%	58%	29%
Happy	15%	3%	14%	28%	3%	9%	30%
Scared	37%	58%	34%	17%	63%	39%	15%
Weighted N	4,989	1,660	1,671	1,520	1,472	1,605	1,887

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7. Trump Responsible for the State of the Economy

How much do you think Donald Trump's policies are responsible for the current state of the economy?

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
A great deal	45%	46%	44%	22%	35%	51%	60%	46%	42%	38%	44%
Somewhat	28%	26%	30%	41%	37%	24%	19%	28%	25%	30%	33%
Not very	19%	20%	18%	28%	21%	16%	15%	19%	19%	21%	16%
Not at all	8%	8%	8%	8%	7%	8%	6%	7%	14%	10%	7%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	4,956	2,342	2,613	782	1,091	1,874	1,209	3,893	349	422	292

	Party ID			Ideology			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A great deal	45%	29%	44%	66%	24%	33%	72%
Somewhat	28%	28%	31%	24%	29%	38%	20%
Not very	19%	28%	19%	8%	32%	21%	6%
Not at all	8%	15%	6%	1%	15%	8%	2%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,956	1,651	1,670	1,513	1,472	1,588	1,882

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8. Approval of Trump's Handling of Women's Issues

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump handles issues that primarily affect women?

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Strongly approve	24%	30%	19%	13%	17%	27%	34%	27%	6%	16%	21%
Somewhat approve	15%	15%	14%	11%	14%	15%	16%	16%	6%	8%	14%
Somewhat disapprove	9%	8%	10%	14%	11%	8%	6%	8%	12%	12%	17%
Strongly disapprove	42%	37%	47%	53%	46%	40%	36%	39%	68%	59%	36%
Not sure	9%	9%	10%	9%	12%	9%	8%	10%	8%	5%	12%
Totals	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,961	2,336	2,624	781	1,099	1,874	1,207	3,887	363	418	292

	Party ID				Ideology		
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Strongly approve	24%	2%	25%	49%	2%	12%	53%
Somewhat approve	15%	4%	16%	24%	2%	15%	24%
Somewhat disapprove	9%	9%	7%	10%	9%	12%	6%
Strongly disapprove	42%	81%	38%	7%	84%	47%	6%
Not sure	9%	4%	13%	10%	2%	14%	11%
Totals	99%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,961	1,654	1,669	1,516	1,467	1,603	1,877

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9. Talk about Trump

These days, do you talk with other people about Donald Trump...

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
A lot	27%	31%	24%	23%	24%	27%	35%	27%	28%	28%	28%
Some	41%	41%	40%	42%	39%	40%	43%	43%	26%	39%	35%
Not much	25%	23%	27%	27%	30%	26%	18%	24%	34%	25%	30%
Never	6%	4%	8%	8%	7%	7%	4%	6%	12%	8%	7%
Totals	99%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,955	2,334	2,621	783	1,091	1,875	1,207	3,892	356	416	292

	Party ID				Ideology		
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A lot	27%	31%	24%	28%	34%	20%	29%
Some	41%	37%	44%	44%	40%	37%	46%
Not much	25%	25%	27%	22%	22%	33%	21%
Never	6%	6%	5%	5%	4%	10%	4%
Totals	99%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,955	1,644	1,669	1,520	1,464	1,597	1,881

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10. Talk about Politics

These days, do you talk with other people about your political views, generally...

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
A lot	20%	23%	17%	20%	18%	19%	24%	20%	19%	19%	27%
Some	43%	45%	42%	39%	40%	44%	48%	45%	31%	48%	36%
Not much	30%	27%	32%	34%	35%	30%	23%	29%	38%	29%	26%
Never	6%	5%	8%	7%	7%	7%	5%	6%	12%	4%	11%
Totals	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,925	2,330	2,595	770	1,087	1,865	1,202	3,874	350	409	292

	Party ID			Ideology			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A lot	20%	24%	17%	20%	28%	13%	20%
Some	43%	43%	45%	44%	45%	39%	46%
Not much	30%	27%	33%	30%	24%	36%	29%
Never	6%	6%	5%	6%	3%	12%	4%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	4,925	1,642	1,668	1,501	1,462	1,583	1,867

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11. Trump Respects People Like You

Whether or not you agree with him politically, do you feel Donald Trump respects and understands people like you?

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Yes	43%	50%	38%	26%	37%	47%	54%	48%	15%	23%	43%
No	57%	50%	62%	74%	63%	53%	46%	52%	85%	77%	57%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,948	2,338	2,610	780	1,087	1,876	1,205	3,882	354	423	289

	Party ID				Ideology		
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Yes	43%	6%	46%	82%	4%	31%	85%
No	57%	94%	54%	18%	96%	69%	15%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,948	1,650	1,666	1,514	1,470	1,593	1,871

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12. Most Important Issue in Trump Support

In deciding whether you support or oppose Donald Trump at the moment, if you had to choose, which matters most?

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
How he handles himself personally in what he says and does	16%	14%	17%	17%	19%	16%	12%	15%	24%	19%	13%
His policies and how he manages the government	62%	66%	59%	54%	59%	64%	67%	64%	47%	58%	65%
The values and culture he represents	22%	20%	24%	29%	22%	20%	21%	21%	29%	23%	22%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,931	2,332	2,599	777	1,083	1,866	1,205	3,875	351	420	285

	Total	Party ID			Ideology		
		Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
How he handles himself personally in what he says and does	16%	23%	13%	10%	20%	21%	8%
His policies and how he manages the government	62%	48%	66%	74%	51%	57%	76%
The values and culture he represents	22%	29%	21%	16%	29%	22%	16%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,931	1,634	1,664	1,515	1,457	1,588	1,878

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13. Turnout 2018

As of now, do you plan to vote in the 2018 midterm elections for House and Senate?

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Definitely	76%	83%	69%	60%	65%	79%	91%	78%	62%	75%	68%
Probably	10%	8%	12%	15%	14%	10%	4%	10%	15%	6%	16%
Maybe	8%	5%	11%	15%	12%	7%	3%	7%	13%	14%	9%
Probably not	3%	2%	4%	7%	6%	2%	1%	3%	8%	3%	4%
Definitely not	2%	1%	2%	3%	3%	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	3%
Totals	99%	99%	98%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,957	2,335	2,622	781	1,089	1,879	1,209	3,890	356	423	288

	Party ID				Ideology		
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Definitely	76%	81%	76%	74%	83%	64%	81%
Probably	10%	6%	12%	12%	6%	14%	10%
Maybe	8%	7%	8%	9%	6%	13%	6%
Probably not	3%	4%	3%	3%	4%	5%	2%
Definitely not	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	3%	1%
Totals	99%	99%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	4,957	1,650	1,670	1,518	1,471	1,596	1,878

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14A. Importance Issues in Midterm Vote - The direction of the country

How important are each of these in your 2018 midterms vote?

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Very important	88%	90%	87%	77%	81%	92%	97%	88%	87%	91%	87%
Somewhat important	11%	9%	12%	22%	17%	7%	3%	11%	12%	8%	11%
Not too important	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	4,950	2,334	2,616	779	1,089	1,876	1,205	3,884	355	423	288

	Party ID				Ideology		
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very important	88%	92%	88%	88%	92%	84%	90%
Somewhat important	11%	7%	11%	12%	7%	14%	10%
Not too important	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	2%	0%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,950	1,651	1,666	1,516	1,471	1,592	1,878

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14B. Importance Issues in Midterm Vote - Your own household's finances

How important are each of these in your 2018 midterms vote?

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Very important	64%	62%	66%	54%	63%	71%	61%	62%	77%	77%	65%
Somewhat important	28%	29%	27%	33%	29%	23%	31%	30%	20%	17%	22%
Not too important	8%	9%	7%	13%	8%	5%	8%	8%	3%	6%	13%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,942	2,332	2,611	779	1,088	1,871	1,204	3,876	355	423	288

	Party ID				Ideology		
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very important	64%	59%	64%	71%	53%	68%	70%
Somewhat important	28%	32%	28%	24%	35%	25%	25%
Not too important	8%	9%	8%	5%	12%	7%	5%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,942	1,649	1,663	1,514	1,469	1,589	1,876

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14C. Importance Issues in Midterm Vote - The issues in your local area

How important are each of these in your 2018 midterms vote?

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Very important	61%	55%	66%	50%	61%	65%	62%	59%	76%	67%	62%
Somewhat important	33%	37%	30%	40%	34%	30%	33%	35%	22%	31%	34%
Not too important	6%	8%	4%	10%	4%	5%	5%	6%	2%	1%	4%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	4,948	2,336	2,612	779	1,089	1,874	1,206	3,881	356	423	288

	Party ID				Ideology		
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very important	61%	62%	59%	62%	60%	62%	61%
Somewhat important	33%	33%	35%	33%	33%	33%	34%
Not too important	6%	5%	6%	5%	7%	5%	5%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,948	1,651	1,666	1,514	1,471	1,591	1,877

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15. Candidate Representation

In your midterm vote, which is more important in choosing a candidate –

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Find the person who personally comes closest to representing your culture and values	35%	31%	39%	34%	34%	35%	38%	33%	53%	37%	35%
Find the person most in agreement with you on policy matters	65%	69%	61%	66%	66%	65%	62%	67%	47%	63%	65%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,911	2,326	2,585	770	1,078	1,866	1,198	3,861	347	415	288

	Party ID			Ideology			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Find the person who personally comes closest to representing your culture and values	35%	39%	31%	33%	32%	40%	33%
Find the person most in agreement with you on policy matters	65%	61%	69%	67%	68%	60%	67%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,911	1,646	1,658	1,493	1,466	1,568	1,868

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16. Importance of Vote in this Year's Midterms

Compared to voting in a Presidential election, do you feel that a vote in the Congressional midterms this year matters...

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
More than a Presidential election	21%	20%	21%	15%	22%	21%	23%	20%	27%	19%	24%
As much as a Presidential election	67%	66%	68%	64%	63%	69%	70%	68%	64%	72%	59%
Less than a Presidential election	12%	13%	11%	21%	15%	10%	7%	12%	9%	9%	17%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,939	2,331	2,608	778	1,087	1,867	1,207	3,881	355	418	285

	Party ID				Ideology		
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
More than a Presidential election	21%	27%	21%	14%	29%	21%	14%
As much as a Presidential election	67%	64%	66%	73%	62%	65%	73%
Less than a Presidential election	12%	9%	13%	13%	9%	14%	13%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,939	1,641	1,669	1,516	1,466	1,586	1,877

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17. House Vote Intent 2018

If the election for U.S. House of Representatives were being held today, who would you vote for in the district where you live?

Respondents were shown candidate names and parties where primaries have occurred, and generic Democratic/Republican candidate otherwise.

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Democratic candidate	43%	39%	46%	53%	47%	40%	37%	39%	70%	53%	42%
Republican candidate	40%	47%	34%	24%	31%	44%	53%	45%	4%	24%	36%
Independent candidate	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
Someone else	1%	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	4%	2%
Not sure	13%	11%	16%	17%	16%	14%	8%	12%	20%	16%	17%
I would not vote	2%	1%	3%	3%	3%	1%	1%	2%	5%	2%	3%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,956	2,338	2,618	778	1,089	1,881	1,209	3,889	356	423	288

	Party ID			Ideology			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Democratic candidate	43%	87%	34%	6%	88%	46%	5%
Republican candidate	40%	3%	40%	83%	3%	25%	82%
Independent candidate	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%
Someone else	1%	0%	3%	2%	1%	2%	1%
Not sure	13%	8%	21%	8%	6%	23%	10%
I would not vote	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%	3%	1%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	4,956	1,649	1,669	1,520	1,470	1,592	1,882

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18. Consider Voting for Republican

Would you ever consider voting for a Republican congressional candidate this year?

Asked of those voting for Democrats

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Yes	12%	16%	10%	16%	16%	10%	8%	14%	8%	11%	7%
No	76%	74%	77%	69%	71%	80%	83%	75%	79%	74%	83%
Not sure	11%	10%	13%	15%	13%	10%	9%	11%	13%	15%	10%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	2,125	918	1,207	410	514	750	450	1,528	249	227	121

	Party ID			Ideology			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Yes	12%	9%	17%	44%	7%	18%	43%
No	76%	80%	72%	38%	83%	68%	43%
Not sure	11%	11%	10%	18%	10%	14%	14%
Totals	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	2,125	1,437	572	97	1,293	728	101

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19. Consider Voting for Democrat

Would you ever consider voting for a Democratic congressional candidate this year?

Asked of those voting for Republicans

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Yes	15%	16%	14%	25%	22%	15%	10%	15%	*	17%	25%
No	73%	74%	71%	61%	63%	73%	80%	73%	*	73%	66%
Not sure	12%	10%	14%	14%	15%	12%	10%	12%	*	10%	9%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	*	100%	100%
Weighted N	1,987	1,097	890	185	337	826	639	1,768	14	100	105

	Party ID			Ideology			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Yes	15%	*	20%	12%	*	31%	10%
No	73%	*	66%	78%	*	50%	80%
Not sure	12%	*	14%	10%	*	19%	10%
Totals	100%	*	100%	100%	*	100%	100%
Weighted N	1,987	46	662	1,262	38	403	1,542

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20. 2018 Vote and Trump

Would your 2018 Congressional vote be...

Asked of likely voters

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
In support of Donald Trump	33%	36%	30%	18%	28%	35%	43%	37%	5%	22%	26%
In opposition to Donald Trump	36%	33%	39%	47%	42%	32%	31%	32%	57%	52%	38%
Not about Donald Trump	31%	30%	31%	35%	30%	33%	26%	30%	38%	26%	36%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,850	2,307	2,543	753	1,054	1,844	1,199	3,820	350	401	279

	Party ID			Ideology			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
In support of Donald Trump	33%	3%	31%	68%	2%	20%	68%
In opposition to Donald Trump	36%	70%	31%	6%	72%	39%	5%
Not about Donald Trump	31%	27%	38%	26%	25%	41%	27%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,850	1,622	1,645	1,486	1,449	1,538	1,856

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21A. Must Agree with Candidate - Gun policy

Which of these issues is something a political candidate MUST agree with you on to get your vote, and which is something they could disagree on but still get your vote?

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Must agree to get vote	69%	66%	71%	61%	65%	71%	75%	68%	71%	74%	65%
Could disagree and still get vote	31%	34%	29%	39%	35%	29%	25%	32%	29%	26%	35%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,911	2,326	2,585	775	1,075	1,866	1,196	3,858	348	419	287

	Party ID			Ideology			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Must agree to get vote	69%	68%	65%	75%	64%	63%	77%
Could disagree and still get vote	31%	32%	35%	25%	36%	37%	23%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,911	1,631	1,657	1,508	1,459	1,573	1,872

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21B. Must Agree with Candidate - Immigration

Which of these issues is something a political candidate MUST agree with you on to get your vote, and which is something they could disagree on but still get your vote?

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Must agree to get vote	73%	73%	73%	64%	65%	74%	83%	73%	70%	73%	73%
Could disagree and still get vote	27%	27%	27%	36%	35%	26%	17%	27%	30%	27%	27%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,935	2,331	2,604	777	1,083	1,869	1,205	3,878	350	421	286

	Party ID				Ideology		
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Must agree to get vote	73%	71%	71%	80%	70%	64%	82%
Could disagree and still get vote	27%	29%	29%	20%	30%	36%	18%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,935	1,643	1,663	1,514	1,468	1,584	1,877

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21C. Must Agree with Candidate - Abortion

Which of these issues is something a political candidate MUST agree with you on to get your vote, and which is something they could disagree on but still get your vote?

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Must agree to get vote	57%	49%	64%	56%	58%	56%	60%	57%	53%	69%	54%
Could disagree and still get vote	43%	51%	36%	44%	42%	44%	40%	43%	47%	31%	46%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,914	2,327	2,588	768	1,080	1,868	1,199	3,859	348	422	286

	Party ID			Ideology			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Must agree to get vote	57%	66%	51%	56%	68%	48%	57%
Could disagree and still get vote	43%	34%	49%	44%	32%	52%	43%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,914	1,630	1,663	1,508	1,463	1,573	1,871

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21D. Must Agree with Candidate - Views on Donald Trump

Which of these issues is something a political candidate MUST agree with you on to get your vote, and which is something they could disagree on but still get your vote?

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Must agree to get vote	65%	65%	64%	61%	59%	65%	71%	65%	65%	65%	62%
Could disagree and still get vote	35%	35%	36%	39%	41%	35%	29%	35%	35%	35%	38%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,916	2,320	2,596	770	1,077	1,870	1,199	3,861	350	417	288

	Party ID			Ideology			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Must agree to get vote	65%	76%	58%	62%	78%	57%	61%
Could disagree and still get vote	35%	24%	42%	38%	22%	43%	39%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,916	1,628	1,661	1,512	1,461	1,574	1,874

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21E. Must Agree with Candidate - Health Care

Which of these issues is something a political candidate MUST agree with you on to get your vote, and which is something they could disagree on but still get your vote?

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Must agree to get vote	75%	71%	78%	69%	74%	76%	77%	74%	81%	78%	72%
Could disagree and still get vote	25%	29%	22%	31%	26%	24%	23%	26%	19%	22%	28%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,919	2,322	2,597	775	1,078	1,868	1,197	3,863	348	421	287

	Party ID			Ideology			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Must agree to get vote	75%	84%	71%	70%	85%	73%	69%
Could disagree and still get vote	25%	16%	29%	30%	15%	27%	31%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,919	1,636	1,657	1,512	1,464	1,573	1,876

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22A. Reasons for Vote - Send a message to Washington

If you choose to vote for [Democrats/Republicans] this year, how much of your decision will be trying to...

Asked of those voting for Democrats or Republicans

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
A big part	64%	62%	67%	47%	55%	66%	78%	63%	75%	72%	62%
A small part	23%	23%	23%	32%	30%	22%	15%	24%	21%	15%	24%
No part at all	13%	15%	10%	21%	14%	12%	7%	13%	4%	13%	14%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,076	2,002	2,074	590	838	1,569	1,079	3,273	254	326	222

	Party ID			Ideology			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A big part	64%	68%	64%	61%	67%	64%	62%
A small part	23%	23%	21%	24%	23%	22%	24%
No part at all	13%	8%	15%	15%	10%	14%	14%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,076	1,460	1,227	1,353	1,320	1,116	1,636

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22B. Reasons for Vote - Represent people like myself

If you choose to vote for [Democrats/Republicans] this year, how much of your decision will be trying to...

Asked of those voting for Democrats or Republicans

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
A big part	74%	70%	78%	62%	68%	78%	81%	74%	81%	77%	68%
A small part	21%	23%	19%	30%	25%	18%	16%	21%	17%	18%	23%
No part at all	5%	7%	3%	8%	7%	4%	3%	5%	2%	4%	8%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%
Weighted N	4,070	2,001	2,069	590	844	1,561	1,076	3,271	254	324	220

	Party ID			Ideology			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A big part	74%	76%	72%	75%	74%	71%	77%
A small part	21%	20%	22%	20%	21%	23%	19%
No part at all	5%	4%	6%	4%	5%	6%	4%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,070	1,463	1,224	1,347	1,321	1,116	1,631

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22C. Reasons for Vote - Support candidates I like personally

If you choose to vote for [Democrats/Republicans] this year, how much of your decision will be trying to...

Asked of those voting for Democrats or Republicans

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
A big part	44%	43%	46%	37%	41%	45%	49%	43%	54%	50%	45%
A small part	41%	42%	41%	52%	40%	40%	39%	42%	36%	37%	42%
No part at all	14%	15%	13%	11%	18%	15%	12%	15%	10%	13%	13%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,073	1,999	2,074	590	841	1,565	1,077	3,265	257	326	225

	Party ID			Ideology			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A big part	44%	47%	37%	48%	42%	44%	46%
A small part	41%	42%	44%	38%	45%	41%	39%
No part at all	14%	11%	19%	13%	13%	15%	15%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,073	1,465	1,228	1,344	1,323	1,117	1,630

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22D. Reasons for Vote - Making sure the opposing party loses

If you choose to vote for [Democrats/Republicans] this year, how much of your decision will be trying to...

Asked of those voting for Democrats or Republicans

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
A big part	56%	58%	54%	42%	47%	58%	68%	55%	67%	59%	52%
A small part	28%	27%	28%	41%	33%	25%	21%	28%	23%	29%	32%
No part at all	16%	15%	17%	17%	20%	17%	11%	17%	10%	12%	16%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,074	2,004	2,071	591	839	1,569	1,075	3,269	257	327	222

	Party ID			Ideology			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A big part	56%	59%	53%	57%	60%	48%	59%
A small part	28%	28%	28%	27%	30%	28%	26%
No part at all	16%	13%	18%	16%	10%	24%	15%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,074	1,469	1,226	1,343	1,324	1,119	1,628

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22E. Reasons for Vote - Support policies and legislation I want

If you choose to vote for [Democrats/Republicans] this year, how much of your decision will be trying to...

Asked of those voting for Democrats or Republicans

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
A big part	88%	88%	88%	85%	83%	89%	92%	89%	83%	83%	85%
A small part	10%	10%	10%	13%	14%	10%	7%	9%	16%	14%	14%
No part at all	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%	3%	1%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,080	2,002	2,078	593	840	1,569	1,078	3,274	254	327	225

	Party ID			Ideology			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A big part	88%	89%	88%	87%	93%	79%	90%
A small part	10%	9%	10%	11%	6%	18%	9%
No part at all	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%	3%	1%
Totals	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,080	1,463	1,229	1,351	1,321	1,121	1,634

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23. Republican Party Care

How much does the Republican party care about people like you?

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
A lot	15%	16%	13%	8%	9%	15%	24%	17%	3%	10%	9%
Some	29%	31%	27%	27%	28%	31%	28%	32%	9%	20%	29%
Not much	28%	27%	29%	39%	32%	24%	23%	26%	34%	36%	30%
None	28%	26%	31%	26%	31%	30%	25%	25%	54%	34%	32%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,938	2,328	2,610	778	1,088	1,873	1,199	3,882	354	418	284

	Party ID			Ideology			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A lot	15%	1%	10%	35%	1%	7%	32%
Some	29%	8%	31%	49%	7%	27%	48%
Not much	28%	35%	33%	13%	34%	36%	15%
None	28%	55%	26%	3%	58%	30%	4%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	4,938	1,646	1,667	1,511	1,466	1,594	1,870

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24. Democratic Party Care

How much does the Democratic party care about people like you?

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
A lot	15%	11%	19%	13%	13%	16%	17%	13%	39%	19%	12%
Some	31%	30%	33%	46%	37%	28%	23%	30%	37%	40%	33%
Not much	25%	25%	24%	21%	26%	25%	25%	26%	15%	20%	25%
None	28%	34%	24%	20%	23%	31%	35%	31%	8%	21%	30%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,926	2,331	2,596	773	1,085	1,869	1,199	3,873	353	415	286

	Party ID			Ideology			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A lot	15%	38%	6%	2%	33%	14%	2%
Some	31%	51%	30%	12%	51%	40%	8%
Not much	25%	9%	31%	34%	13%	27%	32%
None	28%	2%	33%	52%	3%	19%	57%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	4,926	1,636	1,664	1,513	1,461	1,585	1,872

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25. Preference for Candidate Gender

If you were choosing between two Congressional candidates, a man and a woman, who both agreed with you on policy and party, would you prefer to vote for...

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
The man	6%	7%	5%	7%	8%	5%	5%	6%	5%	7%	7%
The woman	22%	16%	28%	31%	26%	19%	18%	21%	26%	27%	24%
It wouldn't matter	72%	77%	67%	62%	66%	76%	77%	73%	68%	66%	69%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,949	2,338	2,611	777	1,086	1,879	1,206	3,886	353	420	289

	Party ID				Ideology		
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
The man	6%	3%	5%	11%	2%	5%	10%
The woman	22%	38%	17%	10%	45%	19%	6%
It wouldn't matter	72%	59%	78%	79%	53%	75%	84%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	4,949	1,644	1,670	1,516	1,464	1,595	1,881

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26. Reason for Preferring Woman Candidate

Which of these is the main reason why?

Asked of respondents preferring a woman candidate

	Total	Gender		Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
To have more diversity of people in politics	44%	55%	39%	69%	41%	40%	28%	47%	26%	40%	47%
Women might have better understanding on issues I care about	31%	14%	40%	19%	34%	34%	35%	30%	45%	26%	34%
Women might be better at negotiating and the legislative process	17%	19%	16%	7%	15%	19%	27%	17%	13%	19%	13%
Women might be less partisan	8%	12%	5%	5%	9%	7%	9%	6%	16%	15%	6%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	1,087	366	721	242	283	345	216	810	93	114	70

	Total	Party ID			Ideology		
		Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
To have more diversity of people in politics	44%	47%	46%	33%	52%	35%	29%
Women might have better understanding on issues I care about	31%	32%	26%	35%	27%	39%	30%
Women might be better at negotiating and the legislative process	17%	14%	20%	20%	15%	19%	24%
Women might be less partisan	8%	7%	8%	11%	6%	7%	17%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	1,087	630	289	149	659	309	117

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27. Party Trust More on Women's Issues

Which party do you trust more when it comes to issues that mainly affect women?

Asked of women

	Total	Gender		Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Democratic Party	44%	*	44%	47%	47%	43%	42%	40%	73%	52%	38%
Republican Party	24%	*	24%	15%	22%	22%	31%	28%	3%	14%	21%
Both equally	12%	*	12%	19%	13%	9%	10%	11%	10%	18%	12%
Neither	20%	*	20%	18%	17%	25%	17%	21%	14%	16%	29%
Totals	100%	*	100%	99%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	2,609	0	2,609	399	565	981	665	1,997	248	243	121

	Total	Party ID			Ideology		
		Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Democratic Party	44%	87%	34%	5%	84%	44%	6%
Republican Party	24%	1%	18%	58%	3%	13%	56%
Both equally	12%	5%	13%	17%	5%	15%	14%
Neither	20%	7%	35%	20%	8%	28%	23%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	2,609	1,000	718	804	823	936	842

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28A. Men or Women Better in Politics - Getting legislation passed

Generally speaking, do you think either men or women are better at each of the following things in politics, or are they equal?

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Men better	15%	15%	16%	18%	14%	14%	18%	15%	17%	16%	18%
Women better	13%	10%	15%	14%	15%	11%	12%	12%	18%	18%	12%
Both equal	72%	75%	69%	68%	71%	75%	70%	73%	65%	65%	70%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	4,926	2,331	2,595	774	1,082	1,864	1,206	3,864	351	425	287

	Party ID			Ideology			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Men better	15%	12%	15%	20%	11%	16%	19%
Women better	13%	21%	10%	7%	22%	12%	6%
Both equal	72%	66%	75%	73%	67%	72%	75%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,926	1,638	1,660	1,515	1,462	1,581	1,877

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28B. Men or Women Better in Politics - Finding ways to compromise

Generally speaking, do you think either men or women are better at each of the following things in politics, or are they equal?

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Men better	6%	6%	5%	7%	6%	5%	6%	5%	9%	8%	7%
Women better	39%	32%	45%	39%	35%	38%	43%	39%	37%	41%	34%
Both equal	55%	62%	49%	54%	59%	57%	51%	56%	54%	51%	59%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,935	2,332	2,603	774	1,083	1,873	1,205	3,874	349	425	287

	Party ID			Ideology			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Men better	6%	3%	5%	11%	2%	6%	9%
Women better	39%	54%	36%	25%	58%	40%	23%
Both equal	55%	43%	59%	64%	40%	54%	68%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,935	1,639	1,667	1,513	1,465	1,584	1,878

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28C. Men or Women Better in Politics - Being honest and ethical

Generally speaking, do you think either men or women are better at each of the following things in politics, or are they equal?

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Men better	4%	5%	3%	5%	5%	4%	3%	4%	6%	5%	6%
Women better	29%	25%	33%	32%	29%	27%	31%	28%	35%	33%	30%
Both equal	67%	70%	64%	63%	66%	69%	66%	68%	59%	62%	64%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,933	2,331	2,602	774	1,080	1,872	1,207	3,874	348	424	287

	Party ID			Ideology			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Men better	4%	2%	3%	8%	1%	5%	6%
Women better	29%	46%	26%	15%	47%	31%	13%
Both equal	67%	52%	71%	77%	52%	64%	80%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	4,933	1,641	1,663	1,512	1,466	1,584	1,875

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28D. Men or Women Better in Politics - Understanding complex policies

Generally speaking, do you think either men or women are better at each of the following things in politics, or are they equal?

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Men better	9%	12%	7%	9%	11%	8%	11%	9%	13%	9%	10%
Women better	11%	7%	14%	15%	12%	9%	9%	9%	15%	22%	11%
Both equal	80%	81%	78%	76%	77%	82%	80%	81%	72%	69%	79%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,928	2,332	2,596	774	1,080	1,870	1,204	3,868	348	425	287

	Party ID				Ideology		
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Men better	9%	5%	8%	17%	4%	9%	15%
Women better	11%	17%	9%	6%	17%	12%	5%
Both equal	80%	78%	83%	77%	79%	79%	80%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,928	1,640	1,663	1,509	1,464	1,584	1,874

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29A. Health Care Concerns - Making sure everyone is covered

When it comes to health care, how much are you concerned about each of the following:

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
A lot	52%	46%	59%	52%	52%	55%	50%	50%	72%	64%	50%
Some	29%	31%	27%	32%	29%	26%	32%	30%	17%	27%	28%
Not much	18%	23%	14%	16%	19%	19%	18%	20%	10%	9%	22%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,918	2,332	2,586	775	1,079	1,865	1,198	3,866	347	420	285

	Party ID			Ideology			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A lot	52%	84%	47%	26%	86%	57%	22%
Some	29%	13%	31%	43%	12%	30%	43%
Not much	18%	3%	22%	31%	2%	13%	35%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,918	1,629	1,668	1,504	1,465	1,576	1,869

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29B. Health Care Concerns - Keeping costs down

When it comes to health care, how much are you concerned about each of the following:

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
A lot	81%	82%	79%	72%	73%	85%	86%	81%	74%	82%	76%
Some	16%	16%	17%	20%	24%	13%	13%	16%	20%	12%	20%
Not much	3%	2%	3%	7%	3%	2%	1%	2%	6%	6%	4%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,919	2,332	2,588	775	1,080	1,866	1,198	3,865	349	421	285

	Party ID				Ideology		
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A lot	81%	80%	83%	81%	77%	80%	83%
Some	16%	17%	15%	17%	19%	17%	14%
Not much	3%	2%	2%	2%	4%	3%	2%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	4,919	1,632	1,664	1,506	1,466	1,576	1,869

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29C. Health Care Concerns - Improving healthcare quality

When it comes to health care, how much are you concerned about each of the following:

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
A lot	72%	69%	76%	67%	66%	74%	80%	71%	77%	77%	76%
Some	23%	26%	20%	25%	28%	22%	18%	25%	15%	16%	19%
Not much	5%	5%	4%	8%	6%	4%	2%	4%	8%	7%	5%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,911	2,326	2,585	775	1,074	1,862	1,200	3,858	348	421	286

	Party ID			Ideology			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A lot	72%	80%	71%	67%	80%	72%	66%
Some	23%	17%	25%	28%	16%	23%	28%
Not much	5%	3%	4%	5%	3%	5%	6%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,911	1,627	1,668	1,501	1,463	1,572	1,868

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29D. Health Care Concerns - Promoting innovation in treatments and medical research

When it comes to health care, how much are you concerned about each of the following:

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
A lot	59%	58%	60%	49%	53%	60%	69%	59%	59%	61%	59%
Some	35%	36%	35%	43%	40%	34%	28%	36%	34%	36%	30%
Not much	6%	6%	5%	7%	7%	6%	2%	5%	7%	3%	11%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,916	2,333	2,584	775	1,081	1,862	1,198	3,863	348	421	285

	Party ID				Ideology		
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A lot	59%	61%	60%	58%	58%	59%	59%
Some	35%	35%	35%	36%	36%	36%	34%
Not much	6%	4%	5%	6%	5%	5%	7%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,916	1,630	1,666	1,503	1,466	1,575	1,867

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30. Medicare Expansion

As you may know, the federal Medicare program covers Americans over age 65. Would you favor or oppose expanding the Medicare program to make all Americans eligible?

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Favor	43%	40%	46%	47%	50%	43%	34%	40%	54%	59%	50%
Oppose	35%	42%	29%	27%	28%	35%	47%	38%	20%	22%	33%
Not sure	22%	18%	25%	26%	22%	22%	19%	22%	26%	19%	17%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,949	2,337	2,612	776	1,088	1,882	1,203	3,883	354	421	291

	Party ID			Ideology			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Favor	43%	71%	38%	19%	75%	47%	15%
Oppose	35%	10%	38%	59%	8%	24%	65%
Not sure	22%	19%	24%	22%	16%	29%	20%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,949	1,645	1,671	1,514	1,463	1,596	1,878

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31A. Immigration Concerns - Making sure new immigrants are treated fairly

When it comes to the issue of immigration, how much are you concerned about each of the following:

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
A lot	54%	52%	56%	60%	53%	52%	55%	52%	64%	65%	56%
Some	32%	33%	32%	29%	32%	33%	33%	33%	28%	25%	32%
Not much	13%	15%	12%	11%	14%	14%	12%	14%	8%	10%	12%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,918	2,324	2,594	774	1,078	1,865	1,200	3,870	345	417	286

	Party ID			Ideology			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A lot	54%	78%	52%	33%	83%	55%	31%
Some	32%	18%	34%	46%	14%	34%	45%
Not much	13%	4%	14%	21%	3%	11%	24%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,918	1,632	1,664	1,508	1,451	1,591	1,869

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31B. Immigration Concerns - Keeping the wrong people out of the country

When it comes to the issue of immigration, how much are you concerned about each of the following:

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
A lot	60%	64%	57%	41%	51%	66%	71%	62%	50%	55%	55%
Some	24%	20%	27%	30%	31%	20%	17%	22%	34%	29%	29%
Not much	16%	16%	16%	29%	17%	13%	11%	16%	16%	16%	16%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,938	2,333	2,605	773	1,089	1,871	1,205	3,883	353	417	285

	Party ID			Ideology			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A lot	60%	36%	61%	87%	27%	56%	89%
Some	24%	36%	22%	11%	36%	30%	8%
Not much	16%	28%	16%	2%	36%	14%	2%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	99%
Weighted N	4,938	1,641	1,669	1,513	1,458	1,592	1,881

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31C. Immigration Concerns - Making sure the country has the workforce it needs

When it comes to the issue of immigration, how much are you concerned about each of the following:

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
A lot	45%	39%	50%	41%	43%	45%	49%	43%	54%	61%	40%
Some	40%	43%	37%	47%	42%	37%	37%	41%	38%	29%	42%
Not much	15%	18%	13%	12%	14%	18%	14%	16%	7%	10%	18%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,930	2,328	2,603	773	1,085	1,870	1,203	3,877	349	417	287

	Party ID				Ideology		
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A lot	45%	55%	38%	40%	53%	50%	34%
Some	40%	38%	43%	40%	40%	38%	42%
Not much	15%	7%	19%	20%	7%	12%	24%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,930	1,638	1,665	1,511	1,460	1,588	1,874

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31D. Immigration Concerns - What immigration policy signals about American values

When it comes to the issue of immigration, how much are you concerned about each of the following:

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
A lot	51%	49%	52%	50%	47%	49%	58%	50%	51%	58%	50%
Some	31%	29%	34%	34%	36%	30%	27%	31%	35%	31%	30%
Not much	18%	22%	14%	16%	17%	21%	15%	19%	14%	11%	20%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,921	2,331	2,590	770	1,083	1,867	1,201	3,874	348	417	282

	Party ID			Ideology			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
A lot	51%	66%	44%	44%	68%	48%	40%
Some	31%	27%	34%	32%	26%	35%	32%
Not much	18%	7%	21%	24%	6%	17%	28%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,921	1,638	1,662	1,510	1,459	1,582	1,873

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32. Abortion

Which comes closest to your position on abortion? Do you think abortion should be?

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Legal in all cases	24%	21%	28%	24%	28%	24%	23%	23%	26%	31%	26%
Legal in most cases	34%	34%	33%	36%	35%	35%	30%	33%	41%	33%	37%
Illegal in most cases	32%	35%	29%	30%	28%	32%	35%	33%	23%	26%	27%
Illegal in all cases	10%	10%	10%	10%	9%	9%	12%	10%	10%	10%	10%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,911	2,315	2,595	777	1,083	1,850	1,200	3,865	345	417	284

	Party ID			Ideology			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Legal in all cases	24%	39%	24%	8%	49%	23%	6%
Legal in most cases	34%	43%	32%	26%	41%	42%	20%
Illegal in most cases	32%	13%	36%	48%	8%	29%	52%
Illegal in all cases	10%	5%	8%	18%	2%	5%	21%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%
Weighted N	4,911	1,631	1,658	1,509	1,457	1,582	1,865

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33. Gun Laws

In general, do you think laws covering the sale of guns should be made...

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
More strict	57%	48%	65%	64%	61%	54%	53%	54%	77%	68%	63%
Less strict	11%	16%	6%	14%	11%	11%	9%	11%	7%	9%	15%
Kept as they are now	32%	36%	29%	22%	28%	35%	38%	35%	16%	23%	22%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,937	2,330	2,607	776	1,087	1,867	1,207	3,882	350	418	287

	Party ID				Ideology		
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
More strict	57%	90%	49%	30%	92%	64%	24%
Less strict	11%	2%	14%	16%	2%	9%	19%
Kept as they are now	32%	8%	36%	54%	6%	27%	57%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,937	1,647	1,667	1,511	1,466	1,588	1,878

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34. Vote Frequency

How often do you vote?

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Always	75%	81%	69%	55%	61%	80%	92%	77%	61%	68%	67%
Sometimes	19%	15%	23%	28%	30%	17%	7%	18%	29%	20%	26%
Rarely	5%	3%	6%	15%	8%	2%	0%	4%	9%	11%	5%
Never	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,953	2,338	2,615	779	1,089	1,877	1,209	3,886	356	423	288

	Party ID			Ideology			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Always	75%	76%	75%	77%	78%	66%	80%
Sometimes	19%	20%	21%	16%	17%	25%	16%
Rarely	5%	3%	4%	6%	5%	7%	3%
Never	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	2%	1%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,953	1,652	1,671	1,516	1,471	1,597	1,879

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35. Enthusiasm to Vote in 2018 Election

How do you feel about voting in the election in November?

	Gender			Age group				Race/Ethnicity			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Very enthusiastic	53%	61%	45%	41%	43%	53%	68%	55%	43%	50%	44%
Somewhat enthusiastic	23%	23%	24%	25%	25%	24%	19%	23%	16%	24%	29%
Not enthusiastic, but probably will vote	20%	14%	25%	26%	26%	20%	11%	18%	36%	23%	22%
Probably won't vote	4%	2%	5%	7%	6%	3%	1%	4%	5%	2%	5%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	4,946	2,343	2,602	771	1,090	1,878	1,207	3,886	348	424	288

	Party ID			Ideology			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very enthusiastic	53%	57%	49%	55%	62%	39%	58%
Somewhat enthusiastic	23%	22%	25%	23%	21%	26%	23%
Not enthusiastic, but probably will vote	20%	17%	23%	19%	13%	30%	17%
Probably won't vote	4%	4%	3%	3%	4%	5%	2%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	4,946	1,648	1,667	1,510	1,463	1,589	1,883

HOW THE POLL WAS CONDUCTED AND THE MARGIN OF ERROR CALCULATED

August 19, 2018

The CBS News 2018 Battleground Tracker is a panel study based on interviews conducted of registered voters in 57 competitive and likely competitive congressional districts in the United States. The poll was conducted by YouGov, an online polling company.

This poll was fielded between August 10–16, 2018 with 4,989 respondents. The respondents were selected from YouGov's online panels to be representative of registered voters in these districts in terms of age, race, gender, and education. The sample was weighted according to gender, age, race, and education, based on the American Community Survey, conducted by the U.S. Bureau of the Census, as well as 2016 Presidential vote, and post-stratified on district type. The weights were trimmed to have a maximum value of 8, and range from 0.1 to 8, with a mean of 1 and a standard deviation of 0.8.

The set of competitive and likely competitive districts in this wave are: AR02, AZ01, AZ02, CA10, CA21, CA25, CA39, CA45, CA48, CA49, CO06, FL18, FL26, FL27, GA06, IA01, IA03, IL06, IL12, KS02, KS03, KY06, ME02, MI08, MI11, MN01, MN02, MN03, MN08, NC09, NC13, NE02, NH01, NJ02, NJ03, NJ07, NJ11, NV03, NY19, NY22, NY24, OH01, OH12, PA01, PA05, PA06, PA07, PA17, TX07, TX23, TX32, UT04, VA02, VA07, VA10, WA08, WV03.

The *margin of error* (a 95% confidence interval) for a sample percentage p based upon the entire sample is approximately 1.8%. It is calculated using the formula

$$\hat{p} \pm 100 \times \sqrt{\frac{1 + CV^2}{n}}$$

where CV is the coefficient of variation of the sample weights and n is the sample size used to compute the proportion. This is a measure of sampling error (the average of all estimates obtained using the same sample selection and weighting procedures repeatedly). The sample estimate should differ from its expected value by less than margin of error in 95 percent of all samples. It does not reflect non-sampling errors, including potential selection bias in panel participation or in response to a particular survey.

HOUSE MODEL METHODOLOGY

August 19, 2018

The CBS News – YouGov House Model is based on interviews with 62,372 registered voters from July 27 – August 16, 2018, including respondents from the CBS News Battleground Tracker as well as other YouGov surveys. While this is a large sample, we nonetheless use the model to produce more reliable estimates for the districts than would be achievable based on the amount of sample in each of them alone, and the model accounts for the uncertainty around each of those estimates. The House estimate's margin of error corresponds to a 95% confidence interval.

We use a technique called Multilevel Regression and Post-stratification (or MRP for short) to produce estimates for all 435 Congressional districts. The idea behind MRP is to use the polling data from the preceding seven days to estimate a model relating interview date, district, voter demographics, past voting behavior, and other respondent profile variables to their current voting intentions. This model is then used to estimate the probability that a voter with specified characteristics prefers the Democratic or Republican House candidate. Using data from the American Community Survey, the Current Population Survey, both produced by the US Census, and past election results, we estimated the number of each type of voter in each district. We also estimated a turnout model using data on past midterm elections. The product of estimated party preference rates, turnout rates, and census counts provides an estimate of the number of voters in each district intending to vote for a party on each day.

The models were simulated repeatedly to obtain a range of estimates and corresponding confidence intervals for each of the 435 seats and the total number of seats won by each party.