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Weekly Tracking

For immediate release

1. Presidential Job Approval – Historical
Do you approve or disapprove of the way [President's name] is handling his job as President?

	All Adults						
	Total Approve	**Total Disapprove**	Strongly Approve	Somewhat Approve	Somewhat Disapprove	Strongly Disapprove	Not Sure
December 15-19, 2017	38%	52%	20%	18%	12%	40%	10%
December 8-12, 2017	38%	51%	20%	18%	9%	42%	12%
December 1-5, 2017	37%	51%	20%	17%	11%	40%	11%
November 25-27, 2017	39%	53%	19%	20%	12%	41%	8%
November 18-20, 2017	37%	54%	18%	19%	13%	41%	9%
November 11-13, 2017	34%	55%	17%	17%	12%	43%	11%
November 4-6, 2017	37%	54%	18%	19%	11%	43%	9%
October 28-30, 2017	40%	52%	22%	18%	11%	41%	8%
October 21-23, 2017	37%	53%	19%	18%	11%	42%	9%
October 14-16, 2017	37%	52%	20%	17%	10%	42%	10%
One Year Ago	48%	43%	24%	24%	11%	32%	9%

	Registered Voters						
	Total Approve	**Total Disapprove**	Strongly Approve	Somewhat Approve	Somewhat Disapprove	Strongly Disapprove	Not Sure
December 15-19, 2017	41%	55%	25%	16%	9%	46%	3%
December 8-12, 2017	41%	54%	23%	18%	9%	45%	4%
December 1-5, 2017	43%	52%	23%	20%	9%	43%	5%
November 25-27, 2017	43%	53%	23%	20%	9%	44%	4%
November 18-20, 2017	40%	55%	20%	20%	11%	44%	5%
November 11-13, 2017	39%	56%	21%	18%	11%	45%	5%
November 4-6, 2017	40%	55%	22%	18%	10%	45%	5%
October 28-30, 2017	43%	52%	25%	18%	10%	42%	5%
October 21-23, 2017	41%	56%	23%	18%	10%	46%	4%
October 14-16, 2017	41%	54%	23%	18%	9%	45%	6%
One Year Ago	50%	44%	27%	23%	10%	34%	5%

Figure 1: Trump Approval – All Adults

Figure 2: Trump Approval – Registered Voters

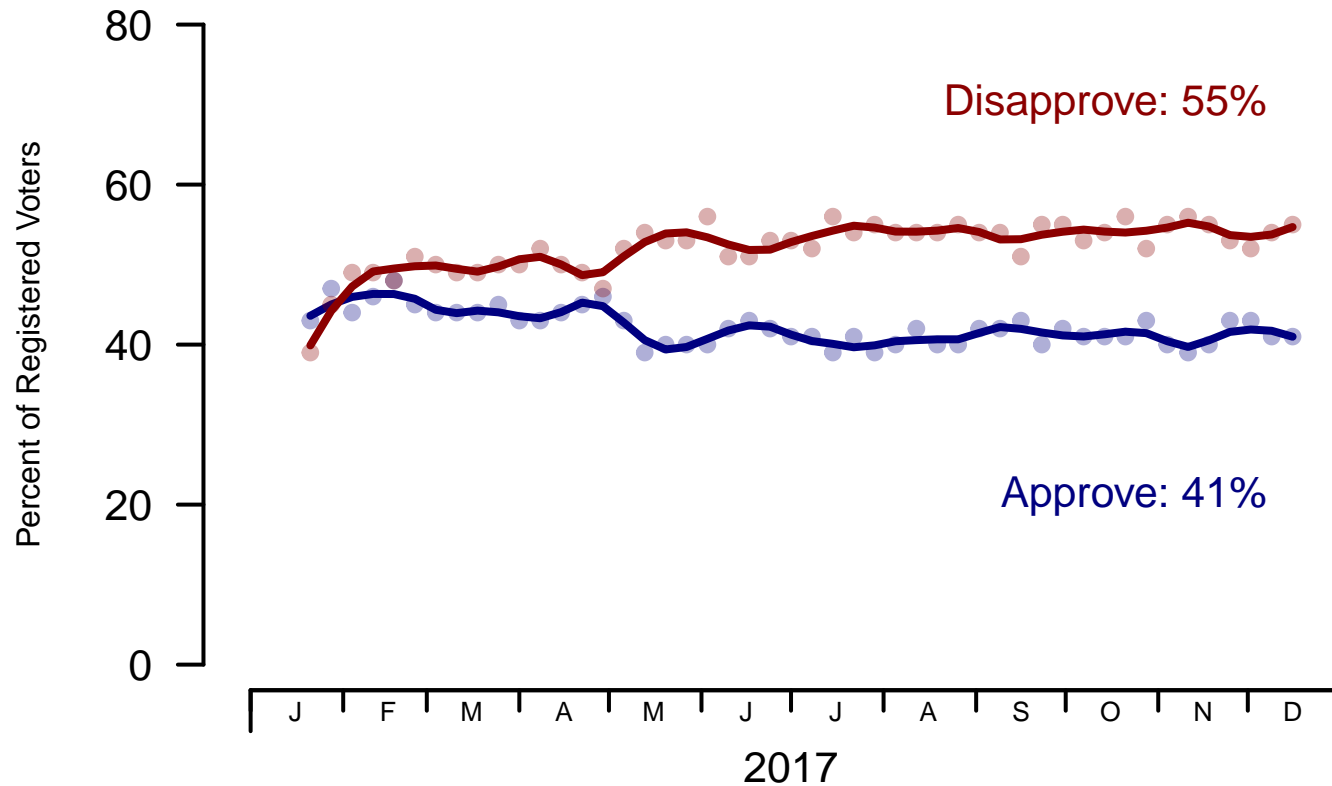**2. President Trump Job Approval – This Week – All Adults**
Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as President?

	Total	Age (4 category)				Race			Census Region			
		Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	North-east	Mid-west	South	West
Strongly approve	20%	8%	12%	23%	35%	24%	3%	12%	15%	19%	23%	19%
Somewhat approve	18%	17%	18%	20%	16%	20%	8%	16%	15%	19%	19%	18%
Somewhat disapprove	12%	18%	17%	8%	6%	12%	10%	15%	11%	13%	11%	13%
Strongly disapprove	40%	38%	40%	42%	41%	37%	59%	39%	42%	43%	39%	38%
Not sure	10%	20%	14%	6%	1%	7%	20%	18%	16%	6%	8%	11%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1,500)	(217)	(438)	(536)	(309)	(1,150)	(189)	(161)	(276)	(344)	(605)	(275)

	Total	Party ID			Ideology			Gender		Family Income (3 category)			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Lib	Mod	Con	Male	Female	Under 50	50-100	100+	Prefer not to say
Strongly approve	20%	3%	16%	48%	2%	8%	49%	22%	17%	17%	22%	26%	18%
Somewhat approve	18%	6%	18%	34%	7%	16%	30%	21%	16%	16%	19%	21%	19%
Somewhat disapprove	12%	12%	14%	8%	5%	18%	8%	12%	12%	15%	9%	15%	6%
Strongly disapprove	40%	73%	35%	8%	82%	39%	10%	37%	44%	40%	45%	37%	38%
Not sure	10%	6%	17%	2%	3%	18%	3%	9%	11%	12%	5%	0%	19%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1,500)	(505)	(624)	(371)	(425)	(610)	(465)	(673)	(827)	(625)	(429)	(235)	(211)

3. Approval of U.S. Congress – Historical

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

	All Adults							
	Total Approve	**Total Disapprove**	Strongly Approve	Somewhat Approve	Neutral	Somewhat Disapprove	Strongly Disapprove	Not Sure
December 15-19, 2017	12%	58%	3%	9%	15%	22%	36%	16%
December 8-12, 2017	10%	61%	2%	8%	15%	23%	38%	15%
December 1-5, 2017	12%	56%	3%	9%	15%	18%	38%	17%
November 25-27, 2017	9%	62%	3%	6%	15%	23%	39%	14%
November 18-20, 2017	10%	62%	3%	7%	16%	21%	41%	13%
November 11-13, 2017	10%	60%	2%	8%	17%	20%	40%	14%
November 4-6, 2017	10%	61%	3%	7%	15%	23%	38%	14%
October 28-30, 2017	10%	62%	3%	7%	16%	22%	40%	13%
October 21-23, 2017	8%	61%	3%	5%	15%	22%	39%	17%
October 14-16, 2017	10%	62%	3%	7%	14%	20%	42%	14%
One Year Ago	11%	54%	3%	8%	20%	21%	33%	15%

	Registered Voters							
	Total Approve	**Total Disapprove**	Strongly Approve	Somewhat Approve	Neutral	Somewhat Disapprove	Strongly Disapprove	Not Sure
December 15-19, 2017	12%	68%	3%	9%	12%	24%	44%	8%
December 8-12, 2017	12%	69%	2%	10%	13%	27%	42%	6%
December 1-5, 2017	11%	68%	3%	8%	12%	22%	46%	9%
November 25-27, 2017	10%	70%	3%	7%	13%	24%	46%	8%
November 18-20, 2017	9%	69%	2%	7%	14%	23%	46%	9%
November 11-13, 2017	9%	69%	2%	7%	15%	23%	46%	8%
November 4-6, 2017	9%	68%	2%	7%	13%	23%	45%	11%
October 28-30, 2017	9%	69%	3%	6%	14%	23%	46%	8%
October 21-23, 2017	8%	69%	2%	6%	13%	24%	45%	10%
October 14-16, 2017	8%	71%	3%	5%	13%	23%	48%	9%
One Year Ago	11%	59%	3%	8%	19%	23%	36%	10%

Congress Approval
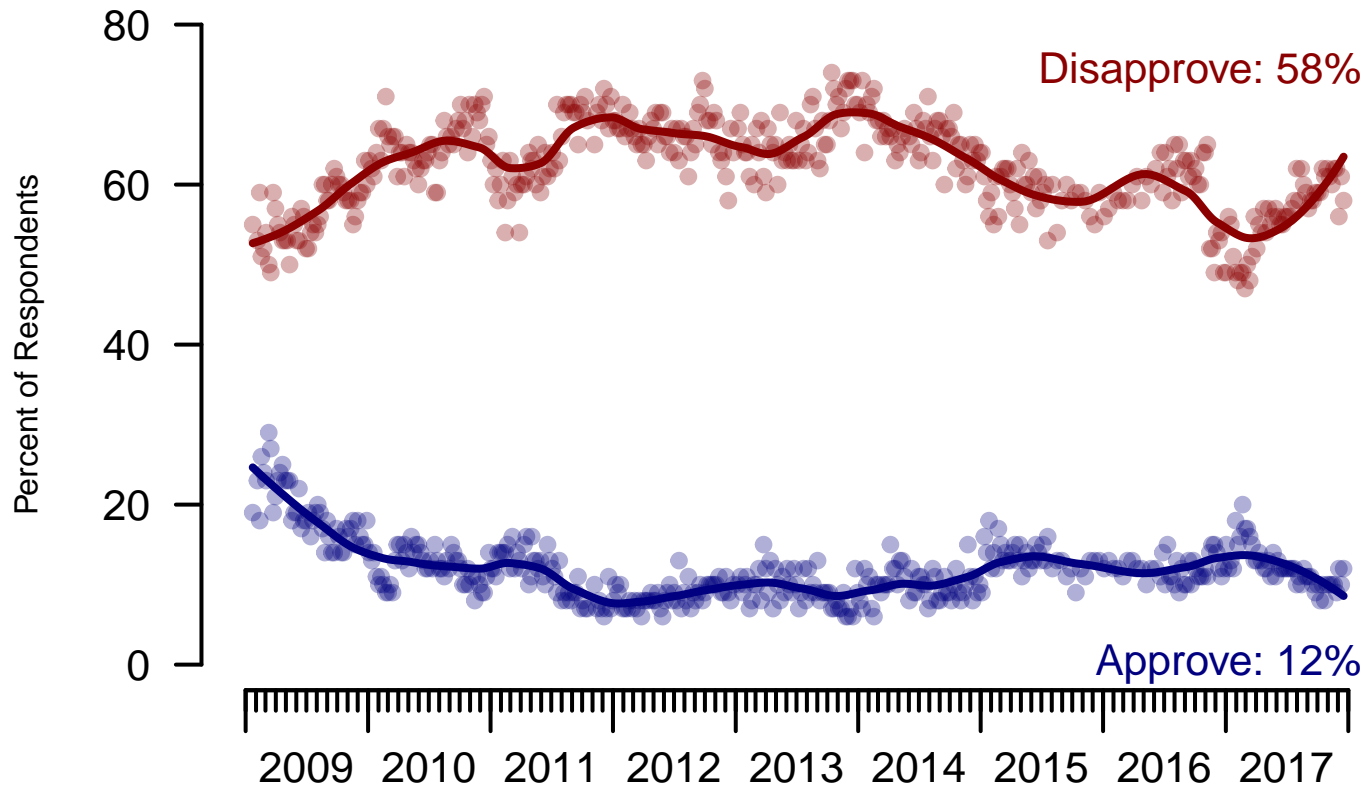"Do you approve of the way the
U.S. Congress is handling its job?"

Figure 3: Congress Approval – All Adults

Congress Approval
"Do you approve of the way the
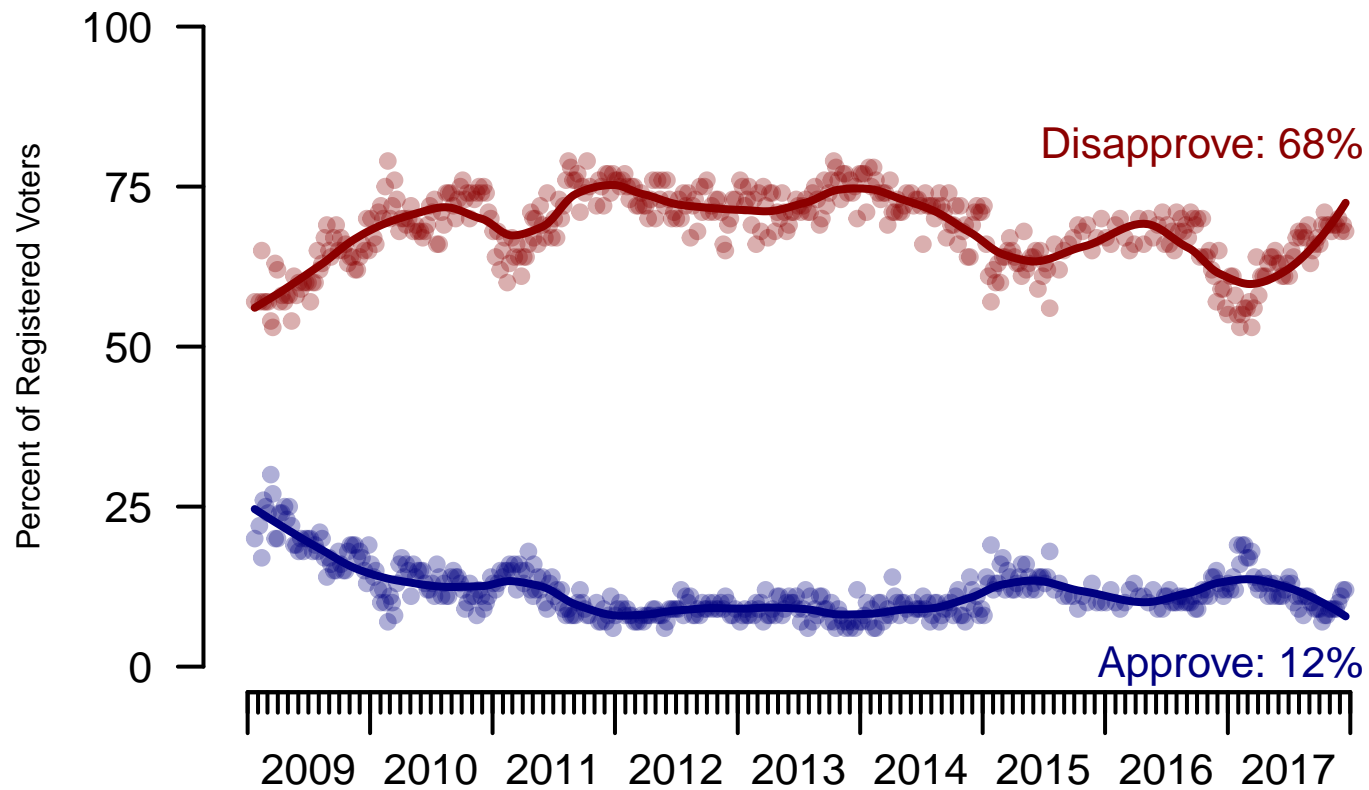U.S. Congress is handling its job?"

Figure 4: Congress Approval – Registered Voters

4. Approval of U.S. Congress – This Week – All Adults
Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way that the United States Congress is handling its job?

	Total	Age (4 category)				Race			Census Region			
		Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	North-east	Mid-west	South	West
Strongly approve	3%	3%	3%	2%	2%	3%	2%	3%	1%	2%	3%	4%
Somewhat approve	9%	11%	7%	8%	9%	10%	2%	10%	5%	10%	11%	7%
Neither approve nor disapprove	15%	12%	18%	16%	12%	13%	15%	24%	21%	11%	15%	12%
Somewhat disapprove	22%	18%	18%	25%	27%	24%	18%	14%	26%	20%	21%	24%
Strongly disapprove	36%	23%	33%	40%	48%	37%	39%	30%	31%	41%	35%	39%
Not sure	16%	33%	20%	9%	3%	14%	23%	20%	16%	16%	16%	14%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1,489)	(212)	(434)	(534)	(309)	(1,147)	(185)	(157)	(273)	(344)	(599)	(273)

	Total	Party ID			Ideology			Gender		Family Income (3 category)			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Lib	Mod	Con	Male	Female	Under 50	50-100	100+	Prefer not to say
Strongly approve	3%	2%	1%	6%	2%	1%	5%	3%	2%	3%	2%	3%	1%
Somewhat approve	9%	4%	6%	19%	3%	5%	18%	10%	7%	8%	9%	13%	5%
Neither approve nor disapprove	15%	16%	14%	14%	8%	22%	10%	10%	19%	17%	15%	10%	13%
Somewhat disapprove	22%	19%	19%	31%	19%	19%	30%	21%	23%	19%	29%	26%	17%
Strongly disapprove	36%	51%	35%	19%	61%	29%	27%	41%	31%	34%	37%	43%	37%
Not sure	16%	8%	24%	11%	7%	24%	11%	14%	18%	20%	8%	6%	26%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1,489)	(502)	(617)	(370)	(425)	(602)	(462)	(671)	(818)	(620)	(426)	(235)	(208)

5. Direction of country – Historical
Would you say things in this country today are...

	All Adults		
	Right Direction	Wrong Track	Not Sure
December 15-19, 2017	33%	52%	15%
December 8-12, 2017	31%	53%	16%
December 1-5, 2017	29%	57%	14%
November 25-27, 2017	30%	54%	16%
November 18-20, 2017	31%	56%	14%
November 11-13, 2017	27%	57%	16%
November 4-6, 2017	27%	60%	13%
October 28-30, 2017	30%	57%	13%
October 21-23, 2017	28%	58%	14%
October 14-16, 2017	30%	58%	13%
One Year Ago	24%	59%	17%

	Registered Voters		
	Right Direction	Wrong Track	Not Sure
December 15-19, 2017	36%	55%	9%
December 8-12, 2017	35%	55%	10%
December 1-5, 2017	33%	57%	10%
November 25-27, 2017	31%	56%	13%
November 18-20, 2017	32%	57%	11%
November 11-13, 2017	30%	58%	12%
November 4-6, 2017	27%	62%	11%
October 28-30, 2017	31%	58%	10%
October 21-23, 2017	31%	60%	9%
October 14-16, 2017	31%	59%	10%
One Year Ago	24%	61%	14%

Direction of Country
"Would you say things in this country today are
generally headed in the right direction
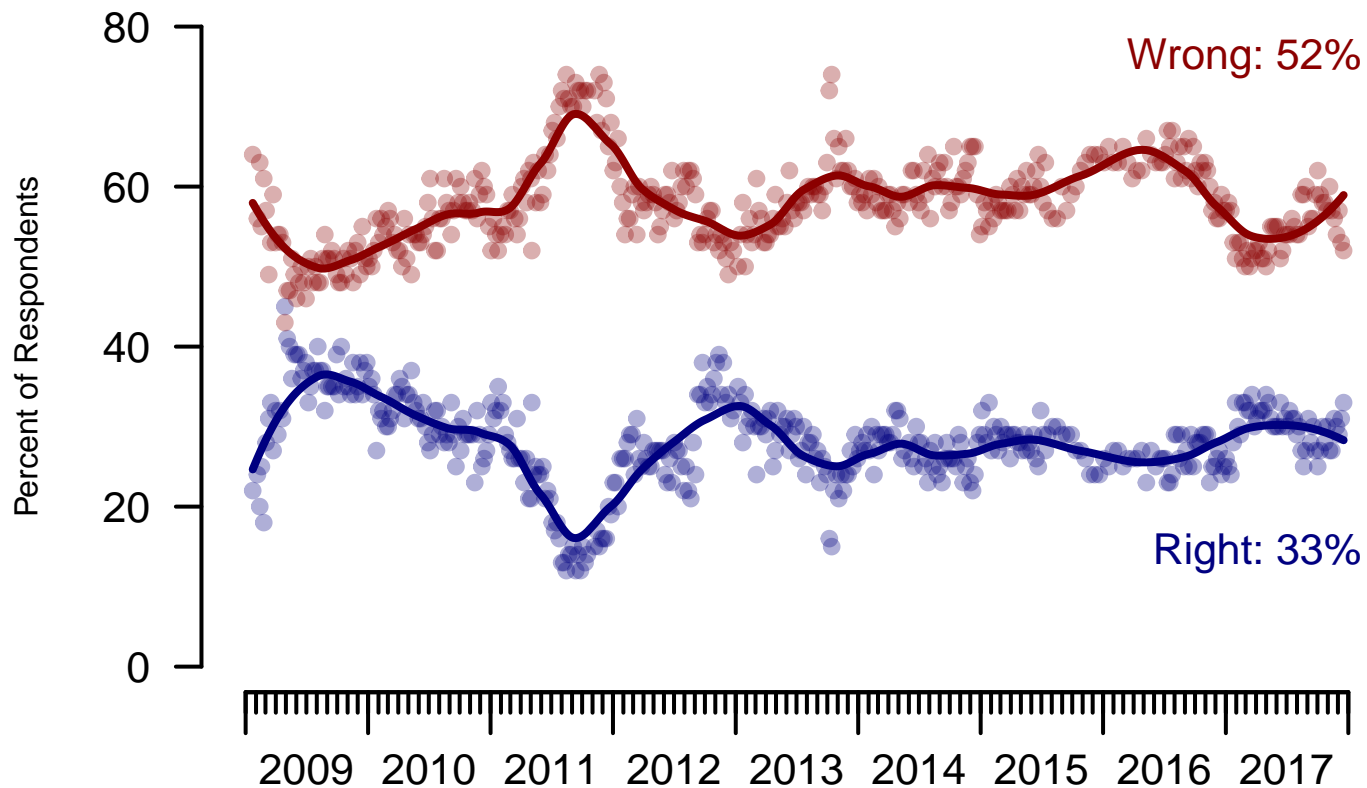or off on the wrong track?"
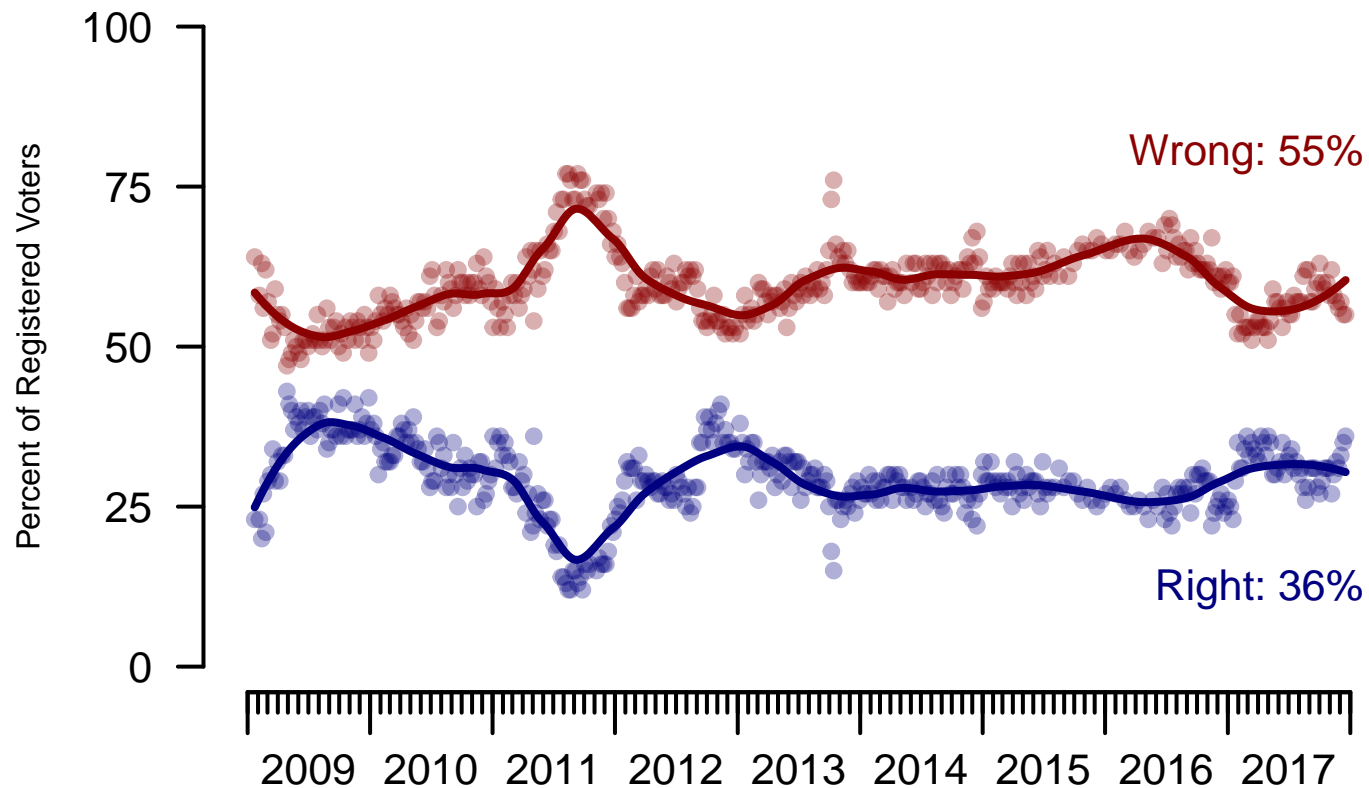
Figure 5: Direction of Country – All Adults

Figure 6: Direction of Country – Registered Voters

6. Direction of Country – This Week – All Adults

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

	Total	Age (4 category)				Race			Census Region			
		Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	North-east	Mid-west	South	West
Generally headed in the right direction	33%	26%	28%	35%	44%	37%	16%	28%	32%	29%	33%	39%
Off on the wrong track	52%	49%	57%	54%	47%	50%	69%	50%	53%	55%	53%	47%
Not sure	15%	25%	16%	11%	9%	14%	15%	22%	16%	15%	14%	14%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1,500)	(217)	(438)	(536)	(309)	(1,150)	(189)	(161)	(276)	(344)	(605)	(275)

	Total	Party ID			Ideology			Gender		Family Income (3 category)			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Lib	Mod	Con	Male	Female	Under 50	50-100	100+	Prefer not to say
Generally headed in the right direction	33%	12%	28%	68%	11%	23%	65%	37%	29%	32%	34%	40%	27%
Off on the wrong track	52%	79%	50%	24%	82%	54%	26%	49%	55%	53%	55%	49%	47%
Not sure	15%	9%	22%	9%	7%	23%	9%	14%	16%	15%	10%	11%	26%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1,500)	(505)	(624)	(371)	(425)	(610)	(465)	(673)	(827)	(625)	(429)	(235)	(211)

Sponsorship	*The Economist*
Fieldwork	YouGov
Interviewing Dates	December 17 - 19, 2017
Target population	U.S. citizens, aged 18 and over.
Sampling method	Respondents were selected from YouGov's opt-in Internet panel using sample matching. A random sample (stratified by age, gender, race, education, and region) was selected from the 2014 American Community Study. Voter registration was imputed from the November 2014 Current Population Survey Registration and Voting Supplement.
Weighting	The sample was weighted based on age, gender, race, education, and 2016 Presidential vote. The weights range from 0.17 to 5.02, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.7.
Number of respondents	1500
Margin of error	± 3.1% (adjusted for weighting)
Margin of error (Registered Voters)	± 3.2% (adjusted for weighting)
Survey mode	Web-based interviews
Full results	Available online at http://today.yougov.com/news/categories/economist/.