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**September 16–29, 2021**

**Q1.** Do you approve or disapprove of … **[RANDOMIZE AFTER Q1A]**

**Q1a.** the job President Biden is doing as president **[ASK FIRST]**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 19 | Strongly approve |
| 33 | Somewhat approve |
| 15 | Somewhat disapprove |
| 33 | Strongly disapprove |
| 1 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q1b.** President Biden’s decision to withdraw American troops from Afghanistan

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 25 | Strongly approve |
| 29 | Somewhat approve |
| 17 | Somewhat disapprove |
| 28 | Strongly disapprove |
| 1 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q1c.** the job President Biden is doing handling immigration

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 10 | Strongly approve |
| 31 | Somewhat approve |
| 21 | Somewhat disapprove |
| 37 | Strongly disapprove |
| 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q1d.** the job President Biden is doing handling the economy

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 18 | Strongly approve |
| 32 | Somewhat approve |
| 17 | Somewhat disapprove |
| 32 | Strongly disapprove |
| 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q1e.** the job President Biden is doing handling the COVID-19 pandemic

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 29 | Strongly approve |
| 27 | Somewhat approve |
| 14 | Somewhat disapprove |
| 28 | Strongly disapprove |
| 1 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q2.** Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable view of each of the following? **[RANDOMIZE]**

**Q2a.** Joe Biden

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Very favorable | Mostly favorable | Mostly unfavorable | Very unfavorable | Have not heard of | Skipped/ Refused |
| Sept. 2021 | 21 | 31 | 14 | 32 | 1 | 1=100 |
| Aug. 2021 | 21 | 35 | 14 | 28 | 1 | 1=100 |
| Jan. 2021 | 26 | 29 | 19 | 24 | 1 | 2=100 |
| Sept. 2020 | 16 | 33 | 18 | 31 | 2 | 1=100 |
| Aug. 2020 | 15 | 36 | 22 | 23 | 2 | 3=100 |
| July 2020 | 14 | 34 | 20 | 25 | 3 | 4=100 |
| Oct. 2019 | 17 | 25 | 21 | 22 | 13 | 1=100 |
| Sept. 2019 | 13 | 35 | 24 | 21 | 4 | 1=100 |
| Sept. 2013 | 9 | 31 | 22 | 26 | 8 | 4=100 |
| Sept. 2012 | 16 | 28 | 21 | 24 | 4 | 8=100 |

**Q2b.** Kamala Harris

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Very favorable | Mostly favorable | Mostly unfavorable | Very unfavorable | Have not heard of | Skipped/ Refused |
| Sept. 2021 | 16 | 29 | 17 | 32 | 4 | 1=100 |
| Aug. 2021 | 18 | 34 | 13 | 29 | 5 | 1=100 |
| Sept. 2020 | 15 | 31 | 13 | 28 | 12 | 1=100 |
| Oct. 2019 | 10 | 18 | 14 | 23 | 34 | 1=100 |
| Sept. 2019 | 8 | 25 | 17 | 23 | 24 | 4=100 |

**Q2c.** Donald Trump

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Very favorable | Mostly favorable | Mostly unfavorable | Very unfavorable | Have not heard of | Skipped/ Refused |
| Sept. 2021 | 18 | 18 | 11 | 51 | 1 | 1=100 |
| Aug. 2021 | 17 | 17 | 13 | 51 | 2 | 1=100 |
| Jan. 2021 | 15 | 16 | 13 | 54 | 1 | 1=100 |
| Sept. 2020 | 15 | 21 | 13 | 49 | 1 | \*=100 |
| Aug. 2020 | 16 | 22 | 18 | 41 | \* | 3=100 |
| July 2020 | 18 | 20 | 21 | 38 | \* | 3=100 |
| July 2020 | 15 | 20 | 19 | 42 | \* | 3=100 |
| May 2020 | 18 | 23 | 19 | 36 | 0 | 3=100 |
| Apr. 2020 | 17 | 26 | 20 | 34 | \* | 2=100 |
| Mar. 2020 | 24 | 25 | 17 | 29 | \* | 4=100 |
| Feb. 2020 | 20 | 20 | 17 | 39 | \* | 4=100 |
| Dec. 2019 | 20 | 20 | 18 | 37 | \* | 3=100 |
| Nov. 2019 | 19 | 21 | 16 | 39 | \* | 5=100 |
| Oct. 2019 | 18 | 21 | 16 | 39 | \* | 6=100 |
| Sept. 2019 | 15 | 20 | 16 | 48 | - | 1=100 |
| Apr. 2019 | 21 | 23 | 18 | 34 | 1 | 3=100 |
| Dec. 2018 | 14 | 22 | 16 | 44 | - | 4=100 |
| Oct. 2018 | 14 | 21 | 13 | 47 | 2 | 2=100 |
| Sept. 2018 | 20 | 22 | 15 | 37 | 1 | 5=100 |
| July 2018 | 16 | 25 | 17 | 36 | \* | 5=100 |
| June 2018 | 14 | 23 | 19 | 41 | - | 2=100 |
| Mar. 2018 | 13 | 29 | 18 | 36 | \* | 3=100 |
| Jan. 2018 | 14 | 23 | 17 | 42 | \* | 5=100 |
| Oct. 2017 | 15 | 26 | 18 | 37 | \* | 3=100 |
| Aug. 2017 | 18 | 20 | 15 | 41 | 1 | 5=100 |
| Feb. 2017 | 16 | 27 | 16 | 34 | \* | 6=100 |
| Jan. 2017 | 17 | 26 | 17 | 35 | 1 | 5=100 |
| Sept. 2016 | 10 | 23 | 15 | 50 | 2 | 1=100 |
| May 2016 | 10 | 18 | 16 | 53 | 1 | 1=100 |
| Apr. 2016 | 8 | 16 | 18 | 52 | \* | 6=100 |
| Jan. 2016 | 12 | 19 | 22 | 42 | \* | 5=100 |
| Nov. 2015 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 44 | 2 | 6=100 |
| Oct. 2015 | 9 | 21 | 21 | 45 | 3 | 1=100 |

**Q2d.** Barack Obama

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Very favorable | Mostly favorable | Mostly unfavorable | Very unfavorable | Have not heard of (VOL.) | Skipped/ Refused |
| Sept. 2021 | 36 | 25 | 15 | 21 | 1 | 1=100 |
| Jan. 2017 | 33 | 29 | 20 | 16 | \* | 2=100 |
| Sept. 2016 | 26 | 28 | 16 | 28 | 1 | 1=100 |
| Oct. 2015 | 22 | 29 | 14 | 32 | 2 | 1=100 |
| Aug. 2015 | 20 | 32 | 17 | 26 | \* | 5=100 |
| Aug. 2014 | 19 | 28 | 19 | 30 | \* | 4=100 |
| Sept. 2012 | 29 | 27 | 16 | 26 | \* | 2=100 |
| Aug. 2012 | 23 | 32 | 17 | 24 | - | 3=100 |
| May 2012 | 19 | 37 | 21 | 21 | - | 2=100 |
| Oct. 2011 | 22 | 31 | 19 | 25 | - | 2=100 |
| Sept. 2010 | 26 | 32 | 18 | 22 | - | 2=100 |

**Q2e.** George W. Bush

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Very favorable | Mostly favorable | Mostly unfavorable | Very unfavorable | Have not heard of | Skipped/ Refused |
| Sept. 2021 | 10 | 42 | 30 | 15 | 2 | 1=100 |
| Aug. 2017 | 14 | 39 | 26 | 15 | 1 | 5=100 |
| Sept. 2016 | 10 | 35 | 26 | 27 | 1 | 1=100 |
| Aug. 2012 | 13 | 30 | 26 | 28 | - | 3=100 |
| Sept. 2010 | 12 | 30 | 26 | 30 | - | 2=100 |

**Q3.** How much of the time do you think you can trust each of the following to do what is

right? **[RANDOMIZE]**

**Q3a.** The federal government

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | April 2017 |  |
| 3 | 4 | Just about always |
| 26 | 25 | Most of the time |
| 56 | 56 | Only some of the time |
| 15 | 15 | None of the time |
| 1 | 1 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q3b.** Your state government

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | April 2017 |  |
| 4 | 3 | Just about always |
| 34 | 31 | Most of the time |
| 48 | 51 | Only some of the time |
| 13 | 14 | None of the time |
| 1 | 1 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q3c.** Your local government

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | April 2017 |  |
| 4 | 4 | Just about always |
| 39 | 39 | Most of the time |
| 47 | 45 | Only some of the time |
| 9 | 10 | None of the time |
| 1 | 1 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q3d.** The police

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 12 | Just about always |
| 49 | Most of the time |
| 31 | Only some of the time |
| 7 | None of the time |
| 1 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q3e.** The U.S. Supreme Court

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 7 | Just about always |
| 39 | Most of the time |
| 45 | Only some of the time |
| 8 | None of the time |
| 1 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q3f.** Donald Trump

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 8 | Just about always |
| 19 | Most of the time |
| 22 | Only some of the time |
| 49 | None of the time |
| 1 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q3g.** Joe Biden

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 11 | Just about always |
| 30 | Most of the time |
| 29 | Only some of the time |
| 29 | None of the time |
| 1 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q3h.** The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 16 | Just about always |
| 42 | Most of the time |
| 31 | Only some of the time |
| 10 | None of the time |
| 1 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**[Note: there is no Q3i.]**

**Q3j.** Business leaders

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 1 | Just about always |
| 21 | Most of the time |
| 62 | Only some of the time |
| 14 | None of the time |
| 1 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q3k.** Religious leaders

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 5 | Just about always |
| 31 | Most of the time |
| 45 | Only some of the time |
| 18 | None of the time |
| 1 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q4.** Since the 1950s, do you think American culture and way of life has mostly changed for the better, or has it mostly changed for the worse? **[ROTATE ORDER OF STATEMENTS]**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Mostly changed for the better | Mostly changed for the worse | Both/  Neither | Skipped/ Refused |
| Sept. 2021 | 47 | 52 | - | 1=100 |
| Sept. 2020 | 55 | 44 | - | 1=100 |
| Oct. 2018 | 50 | 47 | - | 3=100 |
| Sept. 2016 | 48 | 51 | - | 1=100 |
| May 2016 | 49 | 50 | - | 1=100 |
| Oct. 2015 | 46 | 53 | - | 1=100 |
| Dec. 2013 | 44 | 46 | 7 | 3=100 |
| Feb. 2013 | 40 | 54 | 3 | 3=100 |

**Q5.** Has there ever been a time when… **[RANDOMIZE]**

**Q5a.** you were NOT proud to be an American?

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | June 2015 | June 2013 |  |
| 41 | 35 | 31 | Yes |
| 58 | 63 | 68 | No |
| - | 1 | - | Not an American (VOL.) |
| 2 | 2 | 1 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q5b** you were a supporter of a different political party than the one you support now?

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 30 | Yes |
| 68 | No |
| 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q5c.** you were a follower or practitioner of a different religion than the one you follow or practice now?

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 15 | Yes |
| 83 | No |
| 1 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q5d.** you thought about moving to a different country that would be more aligned with your values?

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 29 | Yes |
| 70 | No |
| 1 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q5e.** you thought it might be necessary to commit an act of violence to save the country?

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 9 | Yes |
| 89 | No |
| 1 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q6.** In your opinion, how important do you think each of the following is to being truly American? **[RANDOMIZE]**

**Q6a.** Being a Christian

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Dec. 2018 | June 2015 |  |
| 25 | 19 | 33 | Very important |
| 18 | 20 | 20 | Somewhat important |
| 20 | 23 | 16 | Not too important |
| 36 | 33 | 27 | Not at all important |
| 1 | 4 | 5 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q6b.** Being born in America

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Dec. 2018 | June 2015 |  |
| 24 | 24 | 33 | Very important |
| 24 | 26 | 25 | Somewhat important |
| 26 | 27 | 18 | Not too important |
| 24 | 19 | 22 | Not at all important |
| 1 | 4 | 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q6c.** Being able to speak English

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Dec. 2018 | June 2015 |  |
| 48 | 54 | 66 | Very important |
| 31 | 29 | 23 | Somewhat important |
| 13 | 8 | 5 | Not too important |
| 7 | 4 | 4 | Not at all important |
| 1 | 4 | 1 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q6d.** Believing in God

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Dec. 2018 | June 2015 |  |
| 38 | 31 | 52 | Very important |
| 18 | 21 | 17 | Somewhat important |
| 13 | 17 | 9 | Not too important |
| 29 | 26 | 20 | Not at all important |
| 1 | 4 | 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q6e.** Being of Western European heritage

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Dec. 2018 |  |
| 4 | 3 | Very important |
| 13 | 14 | Somewhat important |
| 29 | 31 | Not too important |
| 51 | 47 | Not at all important |
| 2 | 4 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q6f.** Accepting people of diverse racial and religious backgrounds

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Dec. 2018 |  |
| 70 | 58 | Very important |
| 22 | 28 | Somewhat important |
| 4 | 7 | Not too important |
| 2 | 3 | Not at all important |
| 1 | 4 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q6g.** Respecting American political institutions and laws

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Dec. 2018 |  |
| 55 | 66 | Very important |
| 36 | 24 | Somewhat important |
| 6 | 4 | Not too important |
| 2 | 2 | Not at all important |
| 1 | 4 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q6h.** Believing in individual freedoms, such as freedom of speech

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Dec. 2018 |  |
| 75 | 73 | Very important |
| 20 | 18 | Somewhat important |
| 2 | 3 | Not too important |
| 1 | 1 | Not at all important |
| 1 | 4 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q6i.** Believing that capitalism is the best economic system

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Dec. 2018 |  |
| 25 | 20 | Very important |
| 34 | 36 | Somewhat important |
| 23 | 26 | Not too important |
| 16 | 12 | Not at all important |
| 3 | 5 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q6j.** Believing that every citizen should be able to vote in elections

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 76 | Very important |
| 17 | Somewhat important |
| 4 | Not too important |
| 2 | Not at all important |
| 1 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q7a.** **[FORM 1 ONLY]** The United States has a diverse population, with people of many different races, ethnicities, religions, and backgrounds. Do you think this diversity makes the country much stronger, moderately stronger, neither stronger nor weaker, moderately weaker, or much weaker? **[N=1,254]**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Dec. 2018 |  |
| 40 | 36 | Much stronger |
| 25 | 26 | Moderately strongly |
| 25 | 23 | Neither stronger nor weaker |
| 7 | 8 | Moderately weaker |
| 2 | 5 | Much weaker |
| 1 | 3 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q7b.** **[FORM 2 ONLY]** As you may know, the 2020 Census found that the white population of the United States has decreased for the first time in the country’s history. Do you think the likely impact of this demographic change will be mostly positive or mostly negative?

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 23 | Mostly positive |
| 17 | Mostly negative |
| 59 | Doesn’t matter either way |
| 1 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q8.** Thinking about what would be your own ideal for the country, please place yourself on the following scale.[[1]](#footnote-1)

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Sept.  2020 | Dec. 2018 |  |
| 33 | 31 | 32 | 1 - I would prefer the U.S. to be a nation made up of people from all over the world. |
| 8 | 9 | 7 | 2 |
| 8 | 8 | 8 | 3 |
| 6 | 6 | 5 | 4 |
| 24 | 18 | 21 | 5 |
| 7 | 10 | 7 | 6 |
| 5 | 6 | 6 | 7 |
| 3 | 4 | 4 | 8 |
| 1 | 2 | 2 | 9 |
| 3 | 4 | 3 | 10 - I would prefer the U.S. to be a nation primarily made up of people from western European heritage. |
| - | 2 | 4 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q9.** Thinking about what would be your own ideal for the country, please place yourself on the following scale.[[2]](#footnote-2)

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Sept.  2020 | Dec. 2018 |  |
| 27 | 26 | 25 | 1 - I would prefer the U.S. to be a nation made up of people belonging to a wide variety of religions. |
| 6 | 6 | 4 | 2 |
| 5 | 6 | 5 | 3 |
| 4 | 5 | 5 | 4 |
| 20 | 14 | 19 | 5 |
| 7 | 9 | 7 | 6 |
| 7 | 8 | 6 | 7 |
| 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 |
| 4 | 5 | 4 | 9 |
| 12 | 12 | 12 | 10 - I would prefer the U.S. to be a nation primarily made up of people who follow the Christian faith. |
| - | 2 | 4 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q11.** How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following? **[RANDOMIZE]**

**Q11a.** America has always been a force for good in the world

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | June 2013 |  |
| 19 | 31 | Completely Agree |
| 55 | 48 | Mostly agree |
| 17 | 12 | Mostly disagree |
| 7 | 6 | Completely disagree |
| 3 | 3 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q11b.** God has granted America a special role in human history

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Completely agree | Mostly agree | Mostly disagree | Completely disagree | Do not believe in God (VOL.) | Skipped/Refused |
| Sept. 2021 | 16 | 28 | 20 | 33 | - | 3=100 |
| Sept. 2020 | 13 | 27 | 18 | 40 | - | 1=100 |
| Oct. 2016 | 27 | 30 | 14 | 22 | - | 7=100 |
| June 2015 | 35 | 27 | 14 | 19 | - | 5=100 |
| Late June 2013 | 27 | 33 | 16 | 21 | - | 3=100 |
| Early June 2013 | 33 | 31 | 12 | 17 | - | 6=100 |
| Aug. 2012 | 30 | 32 | 14 | 18 | - | 6=100 |
| May 2011 | 30 | 21 | 18 | 22 | 1 | 7=100 |

**Q11c.** The idea of America where most people are not white bothers me

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Sept.  2020 | May  2016 | Feb. 2013 |  |
| 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | Completely Agree |
| 11 | 13 | 16 | 9 | Mostly agree |
| 28 | 29 | 34 | 29 | Mostly disagree |
| 55 | 52 | 44 | 55 | Completely disagree |
| 2 | 1 | 1 | 3 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q11d.** Things have changed so much that I often feel like a stranger in my own country.

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Oct. 2018 | April 2017 | Nov. 2016 | Oct. 2016 |  |
| 12 | 15 | 15 | 19 | 17 | Completely agree |
| 29 | 32 | 29 | 27 | 24 | Mostly agree |
| 38 | 32 | 33 | 29 | 30 | Mostly disagree |
| 19 | 19 | 22 | 24 | 27 | Completely disagree |
| 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q11e.** Today, America is in danger of losing its culture and identity

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Oct. 2016 |  |
| 22 | 28 | Completely agree |
| 30 | 27 | Mostly agree |
| 29 | 23 | Mostly disagree |
| 16 | 18 | Completely disagree |
| 2 | 3 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q11f.** The values of Islam are at odds with American values and way of life

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Completely agree | Mostly agree | Mostly disagree | Completely disagree | Skipped/ Refused |
| Sept. 2021 | 20 | 30 | 31 | 15 | 4=100 |
| Sept. 2020 | 17 | 26 | 32 | 22 | 2=100 |
| Oct. 2015 | 26 | 30 | 28 | 13 | 3=100 |
| March 2013 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 19 | 9=100 |
| Sept. 2011 | 17 | 30 | 32 | 16 | 5=100 |

**Q11g.** The American way of life needs to be protected from foreign influence

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Oct.  2018 | Oct. 2016 | May 2016 | Feb. 2013 |  |
| 20 | 19 | 29 | 21 | 27 | Completely agree |
| 34 | 31 | 26 | 34 | 26 | Mostly agree |
| 28 | 27 | 23 | 27 | 24 | Mostly disagree |
| 16 | 21 | 19 | 17 | 21 | Completely disagree |
| 2 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q11h.** The cost of housing and everyday expenses are rising faster than my income

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 51 | Completely agree |
| 34 | Mostly agree |
| 10 | Mostly disagree |
| 3 | Completely disagree |
| 1 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q11i.** It is still possible for the U.S. to achieve the ideal of our national motto E Pluribus Unum: “from many people, one.”

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 21 | Completely agree |
| 54 | Mostly agree |
| 18 | Mostly disagree |
| 4 | Completely disagree |
| 3 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q12.** Turning to another topic, which of the following comes closer to your view? **[ROTATE STATEMENTS]**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 32 | The economic issues facing the country are primarily a result of the hardships caused by the coronavirus pandemic. |
| 65 | The economic issues facing the country are primarily a result of long-term problems |
| 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q13.** Which do you think is more important? **[ROTATE STATEMENTS]**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 40 | Reducing government spending to lower the national debt |
| 58 | Investing in government programs to help American families and rebuild infrastructure |
| 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q14.** Today, would you say that a college education is a smart investment in the future OR is it more of a gamble that may not pay off in the end? **[ROTATE STATEMENTS]**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Sept. 2020 | Oct.  2016 |  |
| 45 | 49 | 55 | Smart investment |
| 54 | 50 | 43 | Gamble |
| 1 | \* | 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q15.** Thinking about your family, do you think that: **[RANDOMIZE]**

**Q15a.** Your generation is better off financially than your parents’ generation?

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 53 | Yes |
| 46 | No |
| 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q15b.** Your generation is better off financially than the next generation will be?[[3]](#footnote-3)

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 45 | Yes |
| 53 | No |
| 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q15c.** Your extended family is more divided by politics than it was five years ago?

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 47 | Yes |
| 52 | No |
| 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q15d.** Your extended family is more religiously diverse than it was a generation ago?

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 37 | Yes |
| 61 | No |
| 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q15e.** Your extended family relationships have been strained to the breaking point over the issue of getting a COVID-19 vaccination?

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 22 | Yes |
| 76 | No |
| 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q16.** How concerned are you about your ability to pay the following bills over the next year? **[RANDOMIZE]**

**Q16a.** Rent or mortgage payments

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 15 | Very concerned |
| 16 | Somewhat concerned |
| 20 | A little concerned |
| 47 | Not at all concerned |
| 1 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q16b.** Credit card debt payments

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 12 | Very concerned |
| 13 | Somewhat concerned |
| 21 | A little concerned |
| 53 | Not at all concerned |
| 1 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q16c.** Student loan payments

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 12 | Very concerned |
| 8 | Somewhat concerned |
| 8 | A little concerned |
| 70 | Not at all concerned |
| 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q16d.** Basic goods needed for daily life increasing in cost due to inflation

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 20 | Very concerned |
| 22 | Somewhat concerned |
| 25 | A little concerned |
| 32 | Not at all concerned |
| 1 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q17.** Thinking back to the 2020 presidential election, did you: **[ROTATE BIDEN AND TRUMP]**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 32 | Vote for Donald Trump, the Republican |
| 44 | Vote for Joe Biden, the Democrat |
| 4 | Vote for another candidate **[specify][ANCHOR]** |
| 10 | I did not get a chance to vote **[ANCHOR]** |
| 8 | I was not eligible or not registered to vote in November 2020 |
| 2 | Don’t know/Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q18.** Suppose the 2022 congressional election was being held today. If you had to choose, who would you vote for in your district?[[4]](#footnote-4) **[ROTATE REPUBLICAN AND DEMOCRATIC]**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | The Republican candidate | The Democratic candidate | Other/Third party candidate | Not going to vote | Don’t know/  Skipped |
| Sept. 2021 | 29 | 37 | 5 | 5 | 24=100 |
| Late Oct. 2018 | 35 | 48 | 2 | - | 15=100 |
| Oct. 2018 | 39 | 57 | - | - | 4=100 |
| Sept. 2018 | 35 | 44 | 6 | - | 15=100 |
| June 2018 | 41 | 53 | - | - | 6=100 |
| Mar. 2018 | 36 | 42 | 5 | 3 | 14=100 |
| Oct. 2017 | 35 | 43 | 6 | - | 16=100 |

**Q18a.** **[ASK IF Q18=3,4,5]** If you had to choose, do you LEAN more toward the Democrat or the Republican? **[ROTATE AS ABOVE] [N=761]**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Late Oct. 2018 | Sept. 2018 |  |
| 50 | 10 | 18 | The Republican candidate |
| 39 | 20 | 20 | The Democratic candidate |
| - | 8 | 21 | Other candidate (VOL.) |
| 11 | 61 | 41 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q19.** Thinking about U.S. elections in general, which do you think is a bigger problem today: **[ROTATE]**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | June 2018 | Sept. 2016 | Nov. 2014 |  |
| 42 | 38 | 37 | 40 | People casting votes who are not eligible to vote |
| 55 | 40 | 41 | 43 | Eligible voters being denied the right to vote |
| - | 17 | 19 | 7 | Other (SPECIFY) |
| 3 | 5 | 3 | 10 | Refused (VOL.) |
| 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q20.** Which comes closest to your view: **[ROTATE]**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 70 | The U.S. Congress should pass a voting rights law to guarantee every citizen access to the ballot. |
| 27 | We should leave decisions on voting rights to the states. |
| 3 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q21.** In general, is it more important for politicians to compromise to find solutions, or stick to their principles even if it means nothing gets done? **[ROTATE]**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 74 | Compromise |
| 23 | Stand on principle |
| 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q22.** In the last five years, would you say you have become more or less likely to think of yourself in the following ways: **[RANDOMIZE]**

**Q22a.** As a Republican

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 25 | More likely |
| 22 | Less likely |
| 22 | Neither more nor less likely |
| 29 | Never thought of myself this way/does not apply |
| 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q22b.** As a Democrat

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 28 | More likely |
| 20 | Less likely |
| 25 | Neither more nor less likely |
| 25 | Never thought of myself this way/does not apply |
| 3 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q22c.** As religious

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 27 | More likely |
| 16 | Less likely |
| 37 | Neither more nor less likely |
| 17 | Never thought of myself this way/does not apply |
| 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q22d.** As patriotic

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 32 | More likely |
| 14 | Less likely |
| 42 | Neither more nor less likely |
| 10 | Never thought of myself this way/does not apply |
| 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q22e.** As a typical American

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 29 | More likely |
| 16 | Less likely |
| 46 | Neither more nor less likely |
| 6 | Never thought of myself this way/does not apply |
| 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**[NOTE:** **There is no Q23]**

**Q24.** Which of the following statements about the Republican Party comes closest to your

view, even if neither is exactly right? **[ROTATE]**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Sept. 2020 | Sept. 2019 |  |
| 45 | 50 | 50 | The Republican Party is trying to protect the American way of life against outside threats |
| 51 | 47 | 48 | The Republican Party has been taken over by racists |
| 4 | 2 | 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q25.** Which of the following statements about the Democratic Party comes closest to your

view, even if neither is exactly right? **[ROTATE]**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Sept. 2020 | Sept. 2019 |  |
| 51 | 52 | 53 | The Democratic Party is trying to make capitalism work for average Americans |
| 44 | 45 | 44 | The Democratic Party has been taken over by socialists |
| 4 | 3 | 3 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q26.** Thinking about some issues that are important to people, how important are the following issues to you personally? For each issue, please say whether it is a critical issue to you, one among many important issues, or not that important compared to other issues. **[RANDOMIZE]**

**Q26a.** **[FORM 1 ONLY]** Growing gap between rich and poor **[N=1,254]**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Critical issue | One among many important issues | Not that important an issue | Don’t know/  Skipped |
| Sept. 2021 | 40 | 40 | 17 | 2=100 |
| Sept. 2020 | 42 | 42 | 15 | 1=100 |
| Sept. 2019 | 38 | 46 | 16 | \*=100 |
| Sept. 2018 | 38 | 38 | 21 | 2=100 |
| Sept. 2016 | 52 | 36 | 12 | \*=100 |
| May 2016 | 43 | 41 | 15 | 1=100 |
| Oct. 2015 | 48 | 38 | 13 | 1=100 |

**Q26b.** Racial inequality

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Critical issue | One among many important issues | Not that important an issue | Don’t know/  Skipped |
| Sept. 2021 | 37 | 42 | 18 | 2=100 |
| Oct. 2020 | 46 | 36 | 17 | 1=100 |
| Sept. 2020 | 43 | 41 | 16 | \*=100 |
| Sept. 2019 | 44 | 44 | 11 | 1=100 |
| Apr. 2017 | 37 | 44 | 18 | 1=100 |
| Sept. 2016 | 47 | 40 | 12 | 1=100 |
| May 2016 | 36 | 45 | 19 | \*=100 |
| Oct. 2015 | 39 | 42 | 19 | 1=100 |

**Q26c. [FORM 1 ONLY]** Jobs and unemployment **[N=1,254]**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Critical issue | One among many important issues | Not that important an issue | Don’t know/  Skipped |
| Sept. 2021 | 41 | 52 | 6 | 2=100 |
| Oct. 2020 | 54 | 38 | 7 | 1=100 |
| Sept. 2020 | 52 | 42 | 5 | \*=100 |
| Sept. 2019 | 45 | 48 | 7 | \*=100 |
| Sept. 2016 | 61 | 36 | 3 | \*=100 |
| May 2016 | 55 | 41 | 3 | \*=100 |
| Oct. 2015 | 60 | 35 | 4 | 1=100 |
| Dec. 2013 | 62 | 29 | 8 | 2=100 |

**Q26d. [FORM 2 ONLY]** Immigration **[N=1,254]**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Critical issue | One among many important issues | Not that important an issue | Don’t know/  Skipped |
| Sept. 2021 | 44 | 44 | 9 | 2=100 |
| Sept. 2020 | 33 | 52 | 14 | \*=100 |
| Sept. 2019 | 49 | 42 | 9 | 1=100 |
| Sept. 2016 | 44 | 43 | 12 | 1=100 |
| May 2016 | 43 | 44 | 12 | \*=100 |
| Oct. 2015 | 46 | 40 | 13 | 1=100 |
| Dec. 2013 | 34 | 39 | 24 | 2=100 |

**Q26e.** **[FORM 1 ONLY]** Health care **[N=1,254]**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Critical issue | One among many important issues | Not that important an issue | Don’t know/  Skipped |
| Sept. 2021 | 49 | 44 | 5 | 2=100 |
| Sept. 2020 | 56 | 38 | 5 | \*=100 |
| Sept. 2019 | 65 | 32 | 3 | \*=100 |
| April 2017 | 65 | 31 | 4 | \*=100 |
| Oct. 2015 | 63 | 32 | 4 | 1=100 |
| Dec. 2013 | 57 | 31 | 10 | 2=100 |

**Q26f.** **[FORM 2 ONLY]** Terrorism

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Critical issue | One among many important issues | Not that important an issue | Don’t know/  Skipped |
| Sept. 2021 | 47 | 42 | 9 | 2=100 |
| Sept. 2020 | 45 | 43 | 11 | 1=100 |
| Sept. 2019 | 54 | 37 | 8 | \*=100 |
| Sept. 2016 | 70 | 24 | 5 | \*=100 |
| May 2016 | 69 | 27 | 4 | \*=100 |
| Oct. 2015 | 62 | 29 | 8 | 1=100 |

**Q26g.** Climate change

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Sept.  2021 | Sept. 2020 | Sept. 2019 | Oct. 2015 |
| 44 | 43 | 49 | 34 | Critical issue |
| 30 | 35 | 32 | 39 | One among many important issues |
| 24 | 22 | 18 | 27 | Not that important an issue |
| 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q26h.** The coronavirus pandemic

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Sept. 2020 |  |
| 54 | 60 | Critical issue |
| 33 | 29 | One among many important issues |
| 11 | 10 | Not that important an issue |
| 2 | 1 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q26i.** **[FORM 2 ONLY]** Crime

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Critical issue | One among many important issues | Not that important an issue | Skipped/ Refused |
| Sept. 2021 | 43 | 49 | 6 | 2=100 |
| Sept. 2020 | 46 | 46 | 7 | 1=100 |
| Sept. 2019 | 45 | 48 | 7 | \*=100 |
| Apr. 2017 | 54 | 39 | 7 | 1=100 |
| Sept. 2016 | 54 | 39 | 7 | \*=100 |
| May 2016 | 48 | 45 | 7 | \*=100 |
| Oct. 2015 | 53 | 39 | 8 | 1=100 |

**Q26j.** **[FORM 1 ONLY]** The federal deficit **[N=1,254]**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Sept. 2020 | Sept. 2019 | Sept. 2016 |
| 36 | 36 | 40 | 49 | Critical issue |
| 50 | 52 | 51 | 40 | One among many important issues |
| 11 | 11 | 8 | 9 | Not that important an issue |
| 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q26k.** **[FORM 1 ONLY]** Increasing costs of housing and everyday expenses **[N=1,254]**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 45 | Critical issue |
| 48 | One among many important issues |
| 5 | Not that important an issue |
| 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q26l.** Abortion

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Sept. 2020 | Sept. 2018 | Sept. 2016 | May 2016 |  |
| 33 | 36 | 29 | 34 | 31 | Critical issue |
| 41 | 38 | 40 | 38 | 35 | One among many important issues |
| 24 | 25 | 28 | 27 | 30 | Not that important an issue |
| 2 | \* | 2 | 1 | 4 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q26m.** **[FORM 2 ONLY]** Appointment of U.S. Supreme Court judges **[N=1,254]**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Sept. 2020 |  |
| 29 | 40 | Critical issue |
| 50 | 45 | One among many important issues |
| 19 | 14 | Not that important an issue |
| 1 | 1 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q26n.** Infrastructure like bridges and the electrical grid

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 35 | Critical issue |
| 54 | One among many important issues |
| 10 | Not that important an issue |
| 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

Q26o. **[FORM 2 ONLY]** Ending the war in Afghanistan **[N=1,254]**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 25 | Critical issue |
| 59 | One among many important issues |
| 14 | Not that important an issue |
| 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q27.** Which statement comes closest to your view about how the immigration system should deal with immigrants who are currently living in the U.S. illegally? **[ROTATE]**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Allow them a way to become citizens provided they meet certain requirements | Allow them to become permanent legal residents, but not citizens | Identify and deport them | None of  these (VOL.) | Don’t know/ Skipped |
| Sept. 2021 | 62 | 14 | 22 | - | 2=100 |
| Sept. 2020 | 64 | 16 | 19 | - | 1=100 |
| Sept. 2019 | 67 | 13 | 20 | - | 1=100 |
| Dec. 2018 | 62 | 16 | 18 | - | 3=100 |
| Oct. 2018 | 62 | 16 | 21 | - | 2=100 |
| Oct. 2016 | 63 | 16 | 17 | 1 | 2=100 |
| Sept. 2016 | 65 | 15 | 16 | 2 | 2=100 |
| Late Aug. 2016 | 64 | 14 | 18 | 1 | 3=100 |
| Early Aug. 2016 | 66 | 13 | 16 | 1 | 4=100 |
| July 2016 | 61 | 13 | 21 | 1 | 3=100 |
| June 2016 | 64 | 14 | 17 | 1 | 4=100 |
| Late May 2016 | 62 | 16 | 18 | 1 | 3=100 |
| Early May 2016 | 61 | 17 | 21 | - | 1=100 |
| Dec. 2015 | 63 | 15 | 18 | 2 | 2=100 |
| Nov. 2015 | 64 | 14 | 16 | 1 | 5=100 |
| Oct. 2015 | 66 | 13 | 19 | 1 | 2=100 |
| Sept. 2015 | 63 | 12 | 21 | 1 | 3=100 |
| Late Aug. 2015 | 63 | 16 | 19 | 1 | 2=100 |
| Early Aug. 2015 | 60 | 16 | 19 | 2 | 3=100 |
| July 2015 | 64 | 14 | 17 | 2 | 3=100 |
| Late June 2015 | 64 | 15 | 16 | 1 | 4=100 |
| Early June 2015 | 61 | 17 | 18 | 2 | 3=100 |
| May 2015 | 60 | 14 | 21 | 1 | 3=100 |
| Feb. 2015 | 59 | 19 | 18 | 1 | 3=100 |
| Dec. 2014 | 65 | 18 | 15 | 1 | 1=100 |
| Late Nov. 2014 | 58 | 19 | 20 | 1 | 2=100 |
| Early Nov. 2014 | 59 | 16 | 22 | 1 | 3=100 |
| Oct. 2014 | 60 | 17 | 20 | 1 | 2=100 |
| Sept. 2014 | 57 | 17 | 23 | 1 | 2=100 |
| Aug. 2014 | 57 | 19 | 21 | 1 | 2=100 |
| Late July 2014 | 58 | 17 | 22 | 1 | 2=100 |
| Early July 2014 | 58 | 18 | 19 | 2 | 4=100 |
| June 2014 | 61 | 16 | 20 | 1 | 2=100 |
| May 2014 | 64 | 16 | 17 | 1 | 2=100 |
| April 2014 | 61 | 16 | 20 | 1 | 2=100 |
| Nov. 2013 | 63 | 14 | 18 | 1 | 4=100 |
| Aug. 2013 | 63 | 12 | 19 | 1 | 4=100 |
| Feb. 2013 | 63 | 14 | 21 | 1 | 1=100 |

**Q28.** Would you say that, in general, the growing number of newcomers from other countries: **[ROTATE]**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Threatens traditional American customs  and values | Strengthens American society | Other (SPECIFY) | Neither/  Both equally (VOL.) | Don’t know/  Skipped |
| Sept. 2021 | 40 | 56 | - | - | 3=100 |
| Oct. 2018 | 37 | 60 | - | - | 3=100 |
| Sept. 2016 | 46 | 44 | 6 | 1 | 2=100 |
| Dec. 2015 | 35 | 48 | - | 11 | 7 =100 |
| Nov. 2015 | 36 | 51 | - | 7 | 7=100 |
| Oct. 2015 | 37 | 51 | - | 6 | 5=100 |
| Sept. 2015 | 34 | 51 | - | 9 | 6=100 |
| Late Aug. 2015 | 36 | 48 | - | 10 | 6=100 |
| Early Aug. 2015 | 32 | 49 | - | 12 | 8=100 |
| July 2015 | 35 | 50 | - | 9 | 8=100 |
| Late June 2015 | 33 | 54 | - | 7 | 7=100 |
| Early June 2015 | 34 | 51 | - | 6 | 9=100 |
| May 2015 | 29 | 50 | - | 10 | 10=100 |
| Nov. 2014 | 45 | 48 | - | 5 | 3=100 |
| April 2013 | 36 | 55 | - | 5 | 4=100 |
| Feb. 2013 | 40 | 54 | - | 3 | 3=100 |
| Aug. 2011 | 42 | 53 | - | 2 | 3=100 |

**Q29.** Which of the following statements comes closer to your view: **[ROTATE]**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Immigrants today strengthen our country because of their hard work and talents | Immigrants today are a burden on our country because they take our jobs, housing and health care | Other [SPECIFY] | Neither/  Both equally (VOL.) | Don’t know/  Skipped |
| Sept. 2021 | 61 | 35 | - | - | 4=100 |
| Oct. 2018 | 64 | 33 | - | - | 3=100 |
| May 2016[[5]](#footnote-5) | 47 | 43 | 2 | 6 | 2=100 |
| Oct. 2015 | 47 | 46 | 4 | 2 | 2=100 |
| Feb. 2015 | 58 | 31 | - | 7 | 4=100 |
| Dec. 2014 | 60 | 31 | - | 6 | 4=100 |
| Nov. 2014 | 57 | 35 | - | 5 | 3=100 |
| Oct. 2014 | 54 | 35 | - | 7 | 4=100 |
| Sept. 2014 | 56 | 35 | - | 7 | 3=100 |
| Aug. 2014 | 51 | 38 | - | 7 | 4=100 |
| Late July 2014 | 49 | 42 | - | 5 | 2=100 |
| Early July 2014 | 55 | 35 | - | 6 | 4=100 |
| June 2014 | 57 | 35 | - | 6 | 2=100 |
| May 2014 | 58 | 32 | - | 6 | 3=100 |
| April 2014 | 54 | 38 | - | 5 | 3=100 |
| Sept. 2010 | 44 | 48 | - | 5 | 3=100 |
| March 2010 | 45 | 43 | - | 7 | 5=100 |

**Q30.** How much do you favor or oppose each of the following? **[RANDOMIZE]**

**Q30a.** **[FORM 1 ONLY]** Passing a law to prevent refugees from Afghanistan from entering the U.S. **[N=1,254]**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 12 | Strongly favor |
| 17 | Somewhat favor |
| 34 | Somewhat oppose |
| 32 | Strongly oppose |
| 4 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q30b. [FORM 2 ONLY]** Passing a law to prevent refugees from entering the U.S. **[N=1,254]**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Sept. 2020 | Sept. 2019 | Oct. 2018 | June 2018 | Oct. 2017 |  |
| 14 | 13 | 15 | 14 | 13 | 14 | Strongly favor |
| 25 | 23 | 20 | 23 | 18 | 22 | Favor |
| 31 | 38 | 37 | 34 | 27 | 31 | Oppose |
| 28 | 24 | 27 | 26 | 32 | 28 | Strongly oppose |
| 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 10 | 5 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q30c.** Building a wall along the U.S. border with Mexico

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Strongly favor | Favor | Oppose | Strongly oppose | Skipped/ Refused |
| Sept. 2021 | 27 | 18 | 17 | 36 | 3=100 |
| Sept. 2020 | 23 | 19 | 23 | 34 | 1=100 |
| Sept. 2019 | 24 | 18 | 19 | 37 | 1=100 |
| Oct. 2018 | 21 | 20 | 19 | 39 | 2=100 |
| June 2018 | 18 | 13 | 25 | 38 | 5=100 |
| Oct. 2017 | 19 | 17 | 21 | 42 | 2=100 |
| Sept. 2016 | 20 | 21 | 24 | 34 | 1=100 |
| May 2016 | 16 | 25 | 27 | 31 | 1=100 |

**Q30d.** Allowing immigrants brought illegally to the U.S. as children to gain legal resident status

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Sept. 2020 | Sept. 2019 | Dec. 2018 | Oct. 2018 | Mar. 2018 |  |
| 31 | 26 | 27 | 24 | 25 | 24 | Strongly favor |
| 33 | 40 | 36 | 33 | 37 | 38 | Favor |
| 18 | 22 | 22 | 24 | 21 | 20 | Oppose |
| 16 | 11 | 14 | 15 | 14 | 13 | Strongly oppose |
| 3 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 5 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q31.** Do you think abortion should be legal or illegal? **[FLIP SCALE]**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Legal in  all cases | Legal in  most cases | Illegal in  most cases | Illegal in  all cases | Skipped/ Refused |
| Sept. 2021 | 27 | 33 | 27 | 11 | 2=100 |
| Jan. 2021 | 23 | 39 | 26 | 10 | 2=100 |
| Sept. 2020 | 22 | 38 | 27 | 13 | 1=100 |
| Sept. 2019 | 24 | 34 | 29 | 11 | 1=100 |
| Sept. 2018 | 24 | 35 | 23 | 14 | 4=100 |
| Mar. 2018 | 21 | 33 | 29 | 14 | 3=100 |
| Sept. 2016 | 26 | 36 | 25 | 12 | 1=100 |
| Oct. 2015 | 22 | 35 | 27 | 14 | 1=100 |
| Aug. 2015 | 20 | 33 | 26 | 17 | 4=100 |
| Dec. 2014 | 23 | 33 | 25 | 15 | 3=100 |
| Nov. 2014 | 24 | 33 | 25 | 14 | 4=100 |
| Oct. 2014 | 23 | 34 | 25 | 15 | 4=100 |
| Late Sept. 2014 | 20 | 33 | 24 | 17 | 6=100 |
| Early Sept. 2014 | 19 | 33 | 28 | 16 | 4=100 |
| Aug. 2014 | 23 | 33 | 23 | 18 | 3=100 |
| July 2014 | 20 | 31 | 27 | 17 | 6=100 |
| June 2014 | 21 | 32 | 28 | 16 | 3=100 |
| May 2014 | 20 | 32 | 26 | 17 | 5=100 |
| April 2014 | 19 | 30 | 26 | 19 | 7=100 |
| Feb. 2014 | 20 | 32 | 27 | 14 | 6=100 |
| July 2013 | 19 | 35 | 28 | 14 | 4=100 |
| March 2013 | 23 | 33 | 24 | 14 | 5=100 |
| Oct. 2012 | 22 | 34 | 24 | 15 | 5=100 |
| Sept. 2012 | 20 | 34 | 27 | 14 | 4=100 |
| Nov. 2011 | 21 | 32 | 29 | 14 | 3=100 |
| Aug. 2011 | 18 | 34 | 29 | 15 | 4=100 |
| June 2011 | 19 | 37 | 26 | 14 | 4=100 |
| Oct. 2010 | 18 | 37 | 27 | 15 | 3=100 |

**Q32.** Do you think that the following have made Americans today safer from terrorism or less safe from terrorism? **[RANDOMIZE]**

**Q32a.** The election of Joe Biden as president.

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 28 | Safer |
| 39 | Less safe |
| 30 | Has made no difference |
| 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q32b.** Ending the war and withdrawing troops from Afghanistan.

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 18 | Safer |
| 46 | Less safe |
| 34 | Has made no difference |
| 3 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q32c.** The U.S. engaging in wars in Iraq and Afghanistan following the 9/11 terrorist attacks.

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 37 | Safer |
| 31 | Less safe |
| 29 | Has made no difference |
| 3 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q32d.** The presidency of Donald Trump.

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 35 | Safer |
| 46 | Less safe |
| 18 | Has made no difference |
| 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q32e.** More restrictive immigration policies.

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 40 | Safer |
| 15 | Less safe |
| 42 | Has made no difference |
| 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q33.** How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following? **[RANDOMIZE]**

**Q33a.** The U.S. should never have sent troops to Afghanistan in the first place.

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 20 | Completely agree |
| 32 | Mostly agree |
| 33 | Mostly disagree |
| 12 | Completely disagree |
| 3 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q33b.** The recent withdrawal of U.S. troops from Afghanistan was handled as well as possible under the circumstances.

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 10 | Completely agree |
| 33 | Mostly agree |
| 22 | Mostly disagree |
| 34 | Completely disagree |
| 3 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q33c.** We have made great progress in achieving true racial equality in the U.S.

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 9 | Completely agree |
| 33 | Mostly agree |
| 38 | Mostly disagree |
| 17 | Completely disagree |
| 3 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q33d.** In my lifetime, I believe it is likely that no one will be able to get a legal abortion in the U.S.

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 6 | Completely agree |
| 21 | Mostly agree |
| 46 | Mostly disagree |
| 25 | Completely disagree |
| 3 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q33e.** Roe versus Wade, the 1973 Supreme Court decision that affirmed a constitutional right to abortion, was the right decision and should be upheld.

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 40 | Completely agree |
| 23 | Mostly agree |
| 17 | Mostly disagree |
| 16 | Completely disagree |
| 4 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q34**. How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following? **[RANDOMIZE]**

**Q34a.** The 2020 election was stolen from Donald Trump

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Aug.  2021 | June  2021 | March  2021 |  |
| 16 | 15 | 16 | 15 | Completely agree |
| 15 | 14 | 14 | 14 | Mostly agree |
| 11 | 11 | 13 | 11 | Mostly disagree |
| 56 | 58 | 55 | 57 | Completely disagree |
| 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q34b.** The government, media, and financial worlds in the U.S. are controlled by a group of

Satan-worshipping pedophiles who run a global child sex trafficking operation.

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Aug.  2021 | June  2021 | March  2021 |  |
| 6 | 6 | 6 | 5 | Completely agree |
| 12 | 12 | 12 | 10 | Mostly agree |
| 21 | 21 | 21 | 19 | Mostly disagree |
| 57 | 60 | 59 | 63 | Completely disagree |
| 5 | 2 | 3 | 3 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q34c.** There is a storm coming soon that will sweep away the elites in power and restore the rightful leaders.

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Aug.  2021 | June  2021 | March  2021 |  |
| 6 | 7 | 6 | 6 | Completely agree |
| 15 | 17 | 17 | 14 | Mostly agree |
| 31 | 30 | 29 | 27 | Mostly disagree |
| 43 | 43 | 45 | 50 | Completely disagree |
| 4 | 3 | 3 | 3 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q34d.** Because things have gotten so far off track, true American patriots may have to resort to violence in order to save our country

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Aug.  2021 | June  2021 | March  2021 |  |
| 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | Completely agree |
| 13 | 14 | 12 | 11 | Mostly agree |
| 26 | 23 | 25 | 23 | Mostly disagree |
| 52 | 56 | 55 | 59 | Completely disagree |
| 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q35.** Which comes closest to your view? **[ROTATE]**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Sept. 2020 | June 2020 | Oct. 2018 | Oct. 2015 | May 2015[[6]](#footnote-6) |  |
| 43 | 43 | 42 | 45 | 53 | 39 | The recent killings of Black Americans by police are isolated incidents |
| 54 | 56 | 56 | 53 | 44 | 49 | The recent killings of Black Americans by police are part of a broader pattern of how  police treat Black Americans |
| 3 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 13 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q36.** How much have you seen, read, or heard about “critical race theory”?

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 19 | A lot |
| 44 | A little |
| 34 | Nothing at all |
| 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q37.** Thinking about what we teach children about our country in school, which comes closer to your view? **[ROTATE]**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 84 | We should teach American history that includes both our best achievements and our worst mistakes as a country. |
| 13 | We should teach American history that focuses on what makes this country exceptional and great. |
| 3 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q38.** When you think about your personal identity, how important is each of the following in your life? **[RANDOMIZE]**

**Q38a.** Your religious identity

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Sept. 2021 | Sept. 2012 |  |
| 13 | 15 | The most important thing |
| 22 | 28 | Very important |
| 20 | 17 | Somewhat important |
| 17 | 14 | Not too important |
| 26 | 17 | Not at all important |
| 2 | 9 | Skipped |
| 100 | 100 | Total |

**Q38b.** Your political identity

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 3 | The most important thing |
| 16 | Very important |
| 31 | Somewhat important |
| 26 | Not too important |
| 20 | Not at all important |
| 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q38c.** Your race and/or ethnicity

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 7 | The most important thing |
| 21 | Very important |
| 26 | Somewhat important |
| 24 | Not too important |
| 19 | Not at all important |
| 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q38d.** Your socioeconomic class

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 3 | The most important thing |
| 15 | Very important |
| 36 | Somewhat important |
| 28 | Not too important |
| 15 | Not at all important |
| 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Q38e.** Your sexual orientation or gender identity

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 7 | The most important thing |
| 26 | Very important |
| 24 | Somewhat important |
| 21 | Not too important |
| 21 | Not at all important |
| 2 | Skipped |
| 100 | Total |

**Survey Methodology**

The survey was designed and conducted by PRRI. The survey was made possible through the generous support of the Carnegie Corporation of New York, with additional support from the Wilbur and Hilda Glenn Family Foundation and the Unitarian Universalist Veatch Program at Shelter Rock. The survey was conducted among a representative sample of 2,508 adults (age 18 and up) living in all 50 states in the United States, who are part of Ipsos’s Knowledge Panel. Interviews were conducted online between September 16 and 29, 2021.

Respondents are recruited to the KnowledgePanel using an addressed-based sampling methodology from the Delivery Sequence File of the USPS – a database with full coverage of all delivery addresses in the U.S. As such, it covers all households regardless of their phone status, providing a representative online sample. Unlike opt-in panels, households are not permitted to "self-select" into the panel; and are generally limited to how many surveys they can take within a given time period.

The initial sample drawn from the KnowledgePanel was adjusted using pre-stratification weights so that it approximates the adult U.S. population defined by the latest March supplement of the Current Population Survey. Next, a probability proportional to size (PPS) sampling scheme was used to select a representative sample.

To reduce the effects of any non-response bias, a post-stratification adjustment was applied based on demographic distributions from the most recent American Community Survey (ACS). The post-stratification weight rebalanced the sample based on the following benchmarks: age, race and ethnicity, gender, Census division, metro area, education, and income. The sample weighting was accomplished using an iterative proportional fitting (IFP) process that simultaneously balances the distributions of all variables. Weights were trimmed to prevent individual interviews from having too much influence on the final results. In addition to an overall national weight, separate weights were computed for each state to ensure that the demographic characteristics of the sample closely approximate the demographic characteristics of the target populations. The state-level post-stratification weights rebalanced the sample based on the following benchmarks: age, race and ethnicity, gender, education, and income.

The margin of error for the national survey is +/- 2.1 percentage points at the 95% level of confidence, including the design effect for the survey of 1.15. In addition to sampling error, surveys may also be subject to error or bias due to question wording, context, and order effects. Additional details about the KnowledgePanel can be found on the Ipsos website: https://www.ipsos.com/en-us/solution/knowledgepanel

**Appendix**

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| **Table 1. Demographic, Political, Religious, and Geographic Subgroup Sample Sizes**  *(Unweighted)* | |
|  | N= |
| Total Sample | 2,508 |
|  |  |
| Male | 1,248 |
| Female | 1,260 |
|  |  |
| Republican | 737 |
| Independent | 728 |
| Democrat | 813 |
| Other/Don’t know | 230 |
|  |  |
| White, non-Hispanic | 1,780 |
| Black, non-Hispanic | 229 |
| Hispanic | 293 |
| Multiracial | 85 |
| Other | 121 |
|  |  |
|  |  |
| Age 18-29 | 320 |
| 30-49 | 721 |
| 50-64 | 746 |
| 65+ | 721 |
|  |  |
|  |  |
| White evangelical Protestant | 377 |
| White mainline Protestant | 404 |
| Black Protestant | 144 |
| Hispanic Protestant | 58 |
| Other Protestant of color | 385 |
| White Catholic | 385 |
| Hispanic Catholic | 147 |
| Other Christian | 188 |
| Non-Christian religion | 143 |
| Religiously unaffiliated | 627 |
|  |  |
| Northeast | 455 |
| Midwest | 550 |
| South | 920 |
| West | 583 |

1. Due to a change in implementation (no probe for attempted skips), the 2021 data had a much higher skip rate than prior years. The skips were removed for analysis due to that discrepancy. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Due to a change in implementation (no probe for attempted skips), the 2021 data had a much higher skip rate than prior years. The skips were removed for analysis due to that discrepancy. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. PRRI surveys from 2013, 2014, and 2016 include the question, “Do you think that your generation is better off, about the same, or worse off financially than **[IF PARENT INSERT “your children’s generation”; IF NOT PARENT INSERT: “the next generation of young people”]** will be?”

   |  |  |  |  |
   | --- | --- | --- | --- |
   | Sept. 2016 | Aug. 2014 | June 2013 |  |
   | 39 | 49 | 52 | Better off |
   | 36 | 18 | 18 | About the same |
   | 24 | 29 | 26 | Worse off |
   | 1 | 5 | 4 | Skipped |
   | 100 | 100 | 100 | Total |

   [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. 2018 and 2017 responses are in reference to the 2018 congressional election [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
5. Question wording May 2016 and earlier: “Which of the following statements comes closest to your own view – even if neither is exactly right?” [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
6. This survey relied on a slightly different question wording. The May 2015 question asked: “Do you think the recent killings of African American men by police in Ferguson, Missouri, New York City, and Baltimore are isolated incidents, or are they part of a broader pattern of how police treat African Americans?” [↑](#footnote-ref-6)