

Interviews: 1000 Adults, including 550 respondents with a cell phone only and 17 respondents reached on a cell phone but who also have a landline.

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48 Male
 52 Female

Please note: all results are shown as percentages unless otherwise stated.

The margin of error for 1000 interviews among Adults is ±3.10%
The margin of error for 834 interviews among Registered Voters is ±3.39%

Unless otherwise noted by a "+" or "++", all previous data shown reflects responses among all adults.

Q2a For statistical purposes only, would you please tell me how old you are?
 (IF "REFUSED," ASK:) Well, would you tell me which age group you belong to? (READ LIST)

18-24	11
25-29	7
30-34	12
35-39	8
40-44	8
45-49	9
50-54	7
55-59	11
60-64	10
65-69	5
70-74	4
75 and over	8
Not sure/refused.....	-

Q2b To ensure that we have a representative sample, would you please tell me whether you are from a Hispanic or Spanish-speaking background?

Yes, Hispanic	11
No, not Hispanic	87
Not sure/refused.....	2

Q2c And again, for statistical purposes only, what is your race--white, black, Asian, or something else?

White	72
Black	13
Asian	3
Other	4
Hispanic (VOL)	6
Not sure/refused.....	2
White, Non-Hispanic.....	69

Q3 Registered Voter.

Yes	83
No.....	17

Q4-8 Previously released.

And, talking for a moment about the economy....

Q9 How satisfied are you with the state of the U.S. economy today are you (ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP) – very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied with the state of the economy?

									High	Low
	<u>8/19</u>	<u>11/18+</u>	<u>6/18+</u>	<u>1/18</u>	<u>4/17</u>	<u>6/15</u>	<u>1/15</u>	10/30- <u>11/1/14+</u>	<u>9/98</u>	<u>2/09</u>
Very satisfied	21	28	20	21	8	4	6	4	31	1
Somewhat satisfied.....	36	40	43	48	48	33	39	32	55	6
Somewhat dissatisfied..	27	18	25	22	29	34	31	34	10	22
Very dissatisfied.....	14	11	12	8	14	29	23	30	3	70
Not sure	2	3	-	1	1	-	1	-	1	1
	10/8- <u>12/14+</u>	<u>8/14</u>	<u>1/14</u>	<u>6/13</u>	<u>1/13</u>	<u>10/10+</u>	<u>6/10+</u>	5/6- <u>10/10</u>	<u>1/10</u>	<u>10/09</u>
	2	3	2	4	3	3	2	2	1	2
	29	32	26	32	24	17	16	17	15	17
	34	31	37	35	32	31	34	36	33	31
	34	33	34	29	40	48	48	45	50	49
	1	1	1	-	1	1	-	-	1	1
		<u>9/09</u>	<u>7/09</u>	<u>6/09</u>	<u>4/09</u>	<u>2/09</u>	<u>1/09</u>	<u>4/08+</u>	<u>12/07</u>	<u>9/06+</u>
		2	2	1	2	1	2	2	5	10
		21	11	11	16	6	8	12	27	33
		35	31	33	30	22	25	28	28	32
		41	56	54	52	70	65	58	40	25
		1	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-
		<u>1/04</u>	<u>12/02</u>	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>4/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	<u>12/01</u>	<u>1/01</u>
		6	3	4	2	4	6	4	5	18
		45	33	27	32	42	44	43	47	57
		30	38	37	41	39	33	39	32	18
		18	25	31	24	14	15	13	15	6
		1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1
		<u>4/00+</u>	<u>10/99</u>	<u>12/98</u>	<u>10/98+</u>	<u>9/98</u>	<u>12/97</u>	<u>9/97</u>	<u>6/97</u>	<u>3/97</u>
		29	23	26	27	31	18	13	10	13
		52	53	54	55	55	52	52	51	45
		12	17	13	12	10	20	23	27	27
		6	7	6	5	3	8	10	10	13
		1	-	1	1	1	2	2	2	2
		<u>12/96</u>	<u>9/96</u>	<u>6/96</u>	<u>5/96+</u>	<u>3/96</u>	<u>1/96</u>	<u>7/95</u>	<u>4/95</u>	<u>12/94</u>
		9	7	5	4	3	3	4	4	4
		51	49	43	43	39	37	39	40	41
		27	30	32	38	37	38	35	37	38
		11	12	18	14	19	19	21	18	15
		2	2	2	1	2	3	1	1	2

Q10 When it comes to your own financial situation today are you (ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP) – very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied?

	<u>8/19</u>	<u>11/18+</u>	<u>1/14</u>	<u>12/13</u>	<u>1/13</u>	<u>1/12</u>	<u>1/09</u>	<u>4/08+</u>	<i>High</i> <u>9/98</u>	<i>Low</i> <u>1/09</u>
Very satisfied	25	28	16	16	12	17	15	17	26	15
Somewhat satisfied	44	46	45	47	43	47	41	42	52	41
Somewhat dissatisfied	19	15	22	20	23	21	22	20	14	22
Very dissatisfied	11	9	17	17	22	14	22	21	7	22
Not sure	1	2	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	-
		<u>12/07</u>	<u>1/04</u>	<u>12/02</u>	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	<u>1/01</u>	<u>4/00+</u>	<u>10/99</u>
		21	19	17	18	16	19	21	25	21
		46	50	44	40	47	50	50	51	53
		17	18	21	23	24	19	17	13	14
		16	13	17	19	13	12	11	10	11
		-	1	1	-	-	-	1	1	1
		<u>9/99</u>	<u>12/98</u>	<u>9/98</u>	<u>12/97</u>	<u>9/97</u>	<u>6/97</u>	<u>3/97</u>	<u>12/96</u>	<u>12/94</u>
		22	25	26	20	19	16	17	16	13
		50	51	52	51	49	50	48	50	48
		18	13	14	16	17	20	20	21	24
		10	10	7	12	14	13	14	12	14
		-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Moving on...

Q11 Do you feel confident or not confident that life for our children's generation will be better than it has been for us?

	<u>8/19</u>	<u>8/17</u>	<u>8/14</u>	<u>5/12</u>	<u>8/26- 30/10</u>	<u>12/09</u>	<u>6/09</u>	<u>9/19- 22/08+</u>
Feel confident	27	35	21	30	27	27	31	34
Do not feel confident	67	61	76	63	66	66	57	56
Not sure	6	4	3	7	7	7	12	10
		<u>1/07</u>	<u>7/06</u>	<u>12/01</u>	<u>9/93</u>	<u>12/92</u>	<u>12/91+¹</u>	<u>10/90+</u>
		33	27	49	25	41	44	50
		60	65	42	68	52	51	45
		7	8	9	7	7	5	5

¹In December 1991, the question was phrased, "Do you feel very confident, fairly confident, or not at all confident that life for our children will be better than it has been for us?"

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Now, I would like to ask you some questions about the American character, that is, about our values and who we are...

Q12 How important is each of the following values to you personally, would you say it is very important, somewhat important, not that important, or not important at all? (RANDOMIZE)

TABLE RANKED BY % VERY IMPORTANT

	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not That Important	Not Important At All	Not Sure
Hard work					
August 2019	89	9	1	-	1
February 26-March 1, 1998	83	15	1	1	-
Tolerance for others					
August 2019	80	16	2	1	1
Financial security					
August 2019**	79	19	2	-	-
Self-fulfillment					
August 2019	64	30	3	1	2
February 26-March 1, 1998	66	28	4	1	1
Community involvement					
August 2019	62	34	2	1	1
February 26-March 1, 1998	47	47	5	1	-
Patriotism					
August 2019	61	27	8	3	1
February 26-March 1, 1998	70	23	5	1	1
Belief in God					
August 2019**	52	20	14	13	1
Religion					
August 2019*	48	27	12	13	-
February 26-March 1, 1998	62	27	7	3	1
Having children					
August 2019	43	34	15	6	2
February 26-March 1, 1998	59	25	9	5	2
Money					
August 2019*	41	51	6	1	1
February 26-March 1, 1998	31	57	11	1	-

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

Changing topics...

Q13 Over the past few years there has been a debate about changes in American society and the country becoming more diverse and tolerant of different lifestyles, languages, cultures and races. Do you think these changes are a step forward, a step backward, or some of both?

A step forward.....	40
A step backward.....	14
Some of both.....	43
Not sure.....	3

(ASKED ¼ SAMPLE SATURDAY THROUGH TUESDAY)

Q14 And, in what specific ways do you think these changes are (a step forward/a step backward/both a step forward and a step backward)? What are some other reasons? **SEE VERBATIM RESPONSES**

Q15 Please tell me how well each of the following statements describes how you feel about the direction of the country. Does the statement describe how you feel ... (ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM/BOTTOM TO TOP) very well, somewhat well, not too well, not well at all? (RANDOMIZE)

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE TOTAL PERCENTAGE WHO SAY THE STATEMENT DESCRIBES HOW THEY FEEL WELL

	Total Very/Somewhat Well	<u>Very Well</u>	<u>Somewhat Well</u>	<u>Not Too Well</u>	<u>Not Well At All</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>
You feel angry because our political system seems to only be working for the insiders with money and power, like those on Wall Street or in Washington, rather than it working to help everyday people get ahead.						
August 2019	70	43	27	11	16	3
October 25-29, 2015.....	69	42	27	16	14	1
You feel anxious and uncertain because the economy still feels rocky and unpredictable so you worry about paying your bills, day to day living costs, and whether you can count on your own situation being stable.						
August 2019	56	24	32	18	24	2
October 25-29, 2015.....	61	31	30	19	19	1
You feel satisfied that our political system is being shaken up and those who have been ignored for too long are now being heard and put first.						
August 2019.....	52	20	32	19	24	5

Q16-18 Previously released.

Thinking about another topic...

Q19 In general, do you think race relations in the United States are (ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP) very good, fairly good, fairly bad, or very bad?

	All Adults												
	8/19	9/17	7/16+	12/14	7/13	11/11	1/10	9/09	1/09	4/07	9/05	10/95	9/94
Very good.....	6	4	3	5	4	7	8	13	7	4	8	2	4
Fairly good	30	22	21	35	48	64	64	59	70	54	55	32	45
Fairly bad	34	42	42	34	28	18	16	14	16	28	20	41	31
Very bad.....	26	28	32	23	16	8	7	8	5	10	10	20	15
Mixed (VOL) ...	1	2	1	1	2	NA	NA	4	NA	NA	5	4	4
Not sure	3	2	1	2	2	3	5	2	2	4	2	1	1

	Whites												
	8/19	9/17	7/16+	12/14	7/13	11/11	1/10	9/09	1/09	4/07	9/05	10/95	9/94
Very good.....	6	3	2	4	3	7	7	12	6	3	9	1	4
Fairly good	34	25	21	36	49	68	65	63	73	56	58	33	45
Fairly bad	35	45	44	37	32	17	17	13	16	28	19	42	32
Very bad.....	21	24	31	21	13	5	7	6	4	8	7	18	13
Mixed (VOL) ...	2	2	1	1	1	NA	NA	4	NA	NA	5	5	5
Not sure	2	1	1	1	2	3	4	2	1	5	2	1	1

	African Americans												
	8/19	9/17	7/16+	12/14	7/13	11/11	1/10	9/09	1/09	4/07	9/05	10/95	9/94
Very good.....	5	5	3	7	6	8	8	6	7	3	3	3	5
Fairly good	14	16	20	28	32	49	58	44	57	37	45	28	39
Fairly bad	34	37	34	27	25	23	20	22	18	34	28	35	26
Very bad.....	47	40	42	36	33	18	8	16	12	24	19	30	26
Mixed (VOL) ...	-	2	1	1	2	NA	NA	7	NA	NA	3	3	3
Not sure	-	-	-	1	2	2	6	5	6	2	2	1	1

	Hispanics												
	8/19	9/17	7/16+	12/14	7/13	11/11	1/10	9/09	1/09	4/07	9/05		
Very good.....	8	4	4	14	3	10	11	15	13	11	8		
Fairly good	28	23	19	37	57	52	57	57	63	44	49		
Fairly bad	25	34	40	26	22	27	13	13	17	32	17		
Very bad.....	36	33	30	17	13	7	10	12	6	10	19		
Mixed (VOL) ...	1	2	6	2	2	NA	NA	2	NA	NA	7		
Not sure	2	4	1	4	3	4	9	1	1	3	-		

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Q20 Thinking about the STATE in which you live, would you say that there is a lot of conflict and tension between people of different races, some conflict and tension, not that much conflict and tension, or no conflict and tension at all between people of different races?

	8/19	3/08+
A lot of conflict and tension	12	15
Some conflict and tension	48	42
Not much conflict and tension	31	29
No conflict and tension at all	8	11
Not sure.....	1	3

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Q21 Since Donald Trump has been president, do you believe that race relations in the country have (ROTATE TOP TWO) gotten better, gotten worse, or stayed about the same?

	All Adults	Whites	African Americans	Hispanics
Gotten better	10	11	5	7
Gotten worse.....	56	47	86	74
Stayed about the same	33	41	9	19
Don't know/refused	1	1	-	-

BARACK OBAMA TREND

	All Adults			
	11/11	1/10 ¹	1/09	11/4/08+ ²
Gotten better	16	20	45	33
Gotten worse.....	19	15	13	19
Stayed about the same	65	63	39	43
Don't know/refused.....	1	2	3	5

¹Prior to January 2010, the question was phrased, "Now that Barack Obama has been elected president . . ."

²Comparative data from November 4, 2008 comes from a Public Opinion Strategies poll of registered voters. The question was phrased, "And, assuming again that Barack Obama is elected President, do you believe that race relations in the country will..."

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Whites

	11/11	1/10	1/09
Gotten better	16	19	46
Gotten worse.....	19	16	13
Stayed about the same	65	63	39
Don't know/refused.....	1	2	2

African Americans

	11/11	1/10	1/09
Gotten better	16	22	40
Gotten worse.....	19	13	10
Stayed about the same	64	64	44
Don't know/refused.....	1	1	6

Hispanics

	11/11	1/10	1/09
Gotten better	16	26	46
Gotten worse.....	14	14	13
Stayed about the same	69	58	36
Don't know/refused.....	1	2	5

Q22-25 *Previously released.*

Thinking again about yourself...

Q26 For each of the following, please tell me whether that applies or does not apply to you personally. The (first/next) one is...(RANDOMIZE)

TABLE RANKED BY % WHO SAY ITEM APPLIES TO THEM

	<u>Applies</u>	<u>Does Not Apply</u>	<u>Depends</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>
You live in a neighborhood that has significant racial diversity.				
August 2019.....	51	48	1	-
If you had an unexpected bill for \$500, you would have difficulty paying it immediately.				
August 2019.....	36	63	1	-
Someone in your household has more than \$20,000 in student loan debt.				
August 2019.....	29	70	-	1
August 2017.....	26	74	-	-
You have credit card debt you are unable to pay off month to month.				
August 2019.....	17	82	-	1

(ASKED OF REGISTERED VOTERS)

Thinking now about next year's presidential election...

Q27 If there were a presidential primary election or caucus in your state next year, would you vote in the Democratic primary or caucus, the Republican primary or caucus, or would you wait to vote in the general election in November 2020?

	8/19+	7/19+	6/19+	4/28- 5/1/19+	3/19+	2/19+
Vote in Democratic Primary or caucus	37	35	38	35	35	34
Vote in Republican Primary or caucus	26	25	28	29	29	29
Wait until the general election	34	36	30	31	32	31
Do not plan to vote at all (VOL)	-	1	2	1	1	-
Not sure	3	3	2	4	3	6

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Now I am going to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes only.

QF1 A lot of people are unable to get out and vote for many reasons. Did you happen to vote in the November 2016 election for president? (IF "YES," ASK:) Which of the following statements describes your vote? (ROTATE STATEMENTS :1-4 TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP)

(IF "SOMEONE ELSE," ASK:) And, was your vote for Gary Johnson, Jill Stein, or someone else? +

Voted for Trump because you liked him or his policies	21
Voted for Trump because you did not like Clinton or her policies.....	16
Voted for Clinton because you did not like Trump or his policies	17
Voted for Clinton because you liked her or her policies.....	21
Voted for Gary Johnson (VOL)	2
Voted for Jill Stein (VOL)	2
Voted for someone else (VOL)	4
Voted, not sure	-
No, Did Not Vote	15
Not sure.....	2

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(ASKED OF REPUBLICAN AND LEAN REPUBLICAN REGISTERED VOTERS)

QF1b Regardless of how you feel today, during the 2016 Republican nominating contest would you have described yourself as a supporter of Donald Trump or a supporter of another Republican candidate, or did you have no strong preference? +

	8/19+	8/17+	6/17+	5/17+	4/17+
Supporter of Donald Trump.....	46	39	40	42	46
Supporter of another Republican candidate	27	34	37	35	32
No strong preference	27	25	23	22	21
Not sure	-	2	-	1	1

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

QF2 Are you currently employed? (IF "CURRENTLY EMPLOYED," ASK:) What type of work do you do? (RECORD UNDER "6--OTHER.") (IF "NOT CURRENTLY EMPLOYED," ASK:) Are you a student, a stay-at-home mom or dad, retired, or unemployed and looking for work?

Currently Employed	
Professional, manager	23
White-collar worker	23
Blue-collar worker	19
Farmer, rancher	1
Not Currently Employed	
Student.....	2
Stay at home mom/dad	5
Retired	22
Unemployed, looking for work	3
Other	-
Not sure	2

QF3 What is the last grade that you completed in school? (DO NOT READ CHOICES.)

Grade school	1
Some high school.....	4
High school graduate	28
Some college, no degree.....	17
Vocational training/School	3
2-year college degree.....	13
4-year college/bachelor's degree.....	19
Some postgraduate work, no degree	2
2-3 years postgraduate work/master's degree.....	9
Doctoral/law degree	4
Not sure/refused.....	-

QF4 Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican, an independent, or something else? (IF "DEMOCRAT" OR "REPUBLICAN," ASK:) Would you call yourself a strong (Democrat/Republican) or not a very strong (Democrat/Republican)? (IF "NOT SURE," CODE AS "NOT VERY STRONG DEMOCRAT/REPUBLICAN.") (IF "INDEPENDENT," ASK:) Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican Party, closer to the Democratic Party, or do you think of yourself as strictly independent? (IF "NOT SURE," CODE AS "STRICTLY INDEPENDENT.")

Strong Democrat	23
Not very strong Democrat	9
Independent/lean Democrat	10
Strictly Independent.....	13
Independent/lean Republican.....	11
Not very strong Republican	5
Strong Republican.....	17
Other (VOL).....	8
Not sure.....	4

QF5 Thinking about your general approach to issues, do you consider yourself to be liberal, moderate, or conservative? (IF "LIBERAL" OR "CONSERVATIVE," ASK:) Do you consider yourself to be very (liberal/conservative) or somewhat (liberal/conservative)?

Very liberal	12
Somewhat liberal	14
Moderate.....	36
Somewhat conservative	17
Very conservative	16
Not sure	5

QF6a/b Are you a current or retired labor union member? (ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY "NO" OR "NOT SURE" IN QF6a.) Is anyone else in your household a current or retired labor union member?

Labor union member	13
Union household	7
Non-union household	78
Not sure.....	2

QF7a What is your religion?

Protestant (includes Baptist, Lutheran, Methodist, Episcopal, Presbyterian, and other Christians)	43
Catholic	17
Jewish	2
Muslim	1
Mormon/LDS/Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.....	1
Other	14
None.....	19
Not sure/refused	3

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY PROTESTANT, OTHER, OR NOT SURE IN QF7a.)

QF7b Would you describe yourself as either a fundamentalist or an evangelical Christian, or would you not describe yourself that way?

Fundamentalist/evangelical	11
Neither fundamentalist nor evangelical	45
Not sure	4
Catholic/Jewish/Muslim/Mormon/None (QF7a)	40

QF8 Are you married, widowed, separated, divorced, single and never been married, or are you unmarried and living with a partner?

Married	53
Widowed	7
Separated	1
Divorced	9
Single/never been married.....	21
Unmarried and living with a partner	7
Refused	2

QF9 How would you describe your economic circumstances—(ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP)
 poor, working class, middle class, upper middle class, or well-to-do?

Poor.....	8
Working class.....	29
Middle class.....	43
Upper middle class.....	14
Well-to-do.....	3
Not sure/refused.....	3

QF10 Do you, or does anyone in your household, own a gun of any kind?

	<u>8/19</u>	<u>4/18</u>	<u>3/18</u>	<u>10/17</u>	<u>8/17</u>	<u>6/16+</u>	<u>10/15</u>	<u>2/13</u>	<u>1/13</u>
Yes, gun in household	46	44	47	47	48	45	41	42	41
No, no gun in household....	49	51	50	48	50	50	54	54	55
Not sure	5	5	3	5	2	5	5	4	3
		<u>1/11</u>	<u>10/08+</u>	<u>9/08+</u>	<u>9/04+</u>	<u>3/04</u>	<u>1/04</u>	<u>12/03</u>	<u>10/99</u>
		39	44	45	44	42	42	40	44
		58	53	53	53	56	56	57	54
		2	3	2	3	2	2	3	3

QF11 Do you have children UNDER 18 years old? (IF NO, ASK) And do you have any children 18 or older?

Yes, children under 18.....	33
Yes, children 18 or older.....	28
No children	39
Not sure.....	-