

**PEW RESEARCH CENTER  
JANUARY 2018 POLITICAL SURVEY  
FINAL TOPLINE  
JANUARY 10-15, 2018  
N=1,503**

**RANDOMIZE Q.1 AND Q.2/Q.2a BLOCK****ASK ALL:**

Q.1 All in all, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way things are going in this country today?

|                     | Satis-<br>fied | Dis-<br>satisfied | (VOL.)<br>DK/Ref |                              | Satis-<br>fied | Dis-<br>satisfied | (VOL.)<br>DK/Ref |
|---------------------|----------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Jan 10-15, 2018     | 32             | 62                | 6                | Aug 17-21, 2011              | 17             | 79                | 4                |
| Nov 29-Dec 4, 2017  | 27             | 68                | 6                | Jul 20-24, 2011              | 17             | 79                | 4                |
| Oct 25-30, 2017     | 26             | 70                | 5                | Jun 15-19, 2011              | 23             | 73                | 4                |
| Jun 27-Jul 9, 2017  | 28             | 67                | 5                | May 5-8, 2011                | 30             | 62                | 8                |
| Apr 5-11, 2017      | 30             | 66                | 4                | May 2, 2011                  | 32             | 60                | 8                |
| Feb 7-12, 2017      | 30             | 65                | 5                | Mar 8-14, 2011               | 22             | 73                | 5                |
| Jan 4-9, 2017       | 28             | 68                | 4                | Feb 2-7, 2011                | 26             | 68                | 5                |
| Nov 30-Dec 5, 2016  | 30             | 65                | 5                | Jan 5-9, 2011                | 23             | 71                | 6                |
| Oct 20-25, 2016     | 33             | 63                | 4                | Dec 1-5, 2010                | 21             | 72                | 7                |
| Aug 9-16, 2016      | 31             | 66                | 3                | Nov 4-7, 2010                | 23             | 69                | 8                |
| Jun 15-26, 2016     | 24             | 71                | 5                | Sep 23-26, 2010              | 30             | 63                | 7                |
| Apr 12-19, 2016     | 26             | 70                | 3                | Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010           | 25             | 71                | 5                |
| Mar 17-26, 2016     | 31             | 65                | 4                | Jun 24-27, 2010              | 27             | 64                | 9                |
| Jan 7-14, 2016      | 25             | 70                | 5                | May 13-16, 2010              | 28             | 64                | 7                |
| Dec 8-13, 2015      | 25             | 72                | 3                | Apr 21-26, 2010              | 29             | 66                | 5                |
| Aug 27-Oct 4, 2015  | 27             | 67                | 5                | Apr 1-5, 2010                | 31             | 63                | 6                |
| Sep 22-27, 2015     | 27             | 69                | 4                | Mar 11-21, 2010              | 25             | 69                | 5                |
| Jul 14-20, 2015     | 31             | 64                | 4                | Mar 10-14, 2010              | 23             | 71                | 7                |
| May 12-18, 2015     | 29             | 67                | 4                | Feb 3-9, 2010                | 23             | 71                | 6                |
| Mar 25-29, 2015     | 31             | 64                | 5                | Jan 6-10, 2010               | 27             | 69                | 4                |
| Feb 18-22, 2015     | 33             | 62                | 5                | Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009           | 25             | 67                | 7                |
| Jan 7-11, 2015      | 31             | 66                | 4                | Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009           | 25             | 67                | 7                |
| Dec 3-7, 2014 (U)   | 26             | 71                | 3                | Sep 10-15, 2009 <sup>1</sup> | 30             | 64                | 7                |
| Nov 6-9, 2014       | 27             | 68                | 4                | Aug 20-27, 2009              | 28             | 65                | 7                |
| Oct 15-20, 2014     | 29             | 65                | 6                | Aug 11-17, 2009              | 28             | 65                | 7                |
| Sep 2-9, 2014       | 25             | 71                | 4                | Jul 22-26, 2009              | 28             | 66                | 6                |
| Aug 20-24, 2014     | 24             | 72                | 4                | Jun 10-14, 2009              | 30             | 64                | 5                |
| Jul 8-14, 2014      | 29             | 68                | 4                | Apr 28-May 12, 2009          | 34             | 58                | 8                |
| Apr 23-27, 2014     | 29             | 65                | 6                | Apr 14-21, 2009              | 23             | 70                | 7                |
| Feb 12-26, 2014     | 28             | 66                | 6                | Jan 7-11, 2009               | 20             | 73                | 7                |
| Jan 15-19, 2014     | 26             | 69                | 5                | December, 2008               | 13             | 83                | 4                |
| Oct 30-Nov 6, 2013  | 21             | 75                | 3                | Early October, 2008          | 11             | 86                | 3                |
| Oct 9-13, 2013      | 14             | 81                | 5                | Mid-September, 2008          | 25             | 69                | 6                |
| Jul 17-21, 2013     | 27             | 67                | 6                | August, 2008                 | 21             | 74                | 5                |
| May 1-5, 2013       | 30             | 65                | 5                | July, 2008                   | 19             | 74                | 7                |
| Feb 13-18, 2013 (U) | 31             | 64                | 5                | June, 2008                   | 19             | 76                | 5                |
| Jan 9-13, 2013      | 30             | 66                | 4                | Late May, 2008               | 18             | 76                | 6                |
| Dec 17-19, 2012     | 25             | 68                | 7                | March, 2008                  | 22             | 72                | 6                |
| Dec 5-9, 2012       | 33             | 62                | 5                | Early February, 2008         | 24             | 70                | 6                |
| Oct 18-21, 2012     | 32             | 61                | 8                | Late December, 2007          | 27             | 66                | 7                |
| Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012  | 31             | 64                | 5                | October, 2007                | 28             | 66                | 6                |
| Jun 7-17, 2012      | 28             | 68                | 5                | February, 2007               | 30             | 61                | 9                |
| May 9-Jun 3, 2012   | 29             | 64                | 7                |                              |                |                   |                  |
| Apr 4-15, 2012      | 24             | 69                | 6                |                              |                |                   |                  |
| Feb 8-12, 2012      | 28             | 66                | 6                |                              |                |                   |                  |
| Jan 11-16, 2012     | 21             | 75                | 4                |                              |                |                   |                  |
| Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011  | 17             | 78                | 5                |                              |                |                   |                  |

<sup>1</sup> In September 10-15, 2009 and other surveys noted with an asterisk, the question was worded "Overall, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way things are going in our country today?"

**Q.1 CONTINUED...**

|                       | Satis-<br>fied | Dis-<br>satisfied | (VOL.)<br>DK/Ref |                        | Satis-<br>fied | Dis-<br>satisfied | (VOL.)<br>DK/Ref |
|-----------------------|----------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------------|----------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Mid-January, 2007     | 32             | 61                | 7                | February, 2001         | 46             | 43                | 11               |
| Early January, 2007   | 30             | 63                | 7                | January, 2001          | 55             | 41                | 4                |
| December, 2006        | 28             | 65                | 7                | October, 2000 (RVs)    | 54             | 39                | 7                |
| Mid-November, 2006    | 28             | 64                | 8                | September, 2000        | 51             | 41                | 8                |
| Early October, 2006   | 30             | 63                | 7                | June, 2000             | 47             | 45                | 8                |
| July, 2006            | 30             | 65                | 5                | April, 2000            | 48             | 43                | 9                |
| May, 2006*            | 29             | 65                | 6                | August, 1999           | 56             | 39                | 5                |
| March, 2006           | 32             | 63                | 5                | January, 1999          | 53             | 41                | 6                |
| January, 2006         | 34             | 61                | 5                | November, 1998         | 46             | 44                | 10               |
| Late November, 2005   | 34             | 59                | 7                | Early September, 1998  | 54             | 42                | 4                |
| Early October, 2005   | 29             | 65                | 6                | Late August, 1998      | 55             | 41                | 4                |
| July, 2005            | 35             | 58                | 7                | Early August, 1998     | 50             | 44                | 6                |
| Late May, 2005*       | 39             | 57                | 4                | February, 1998         | 59             | 37                | 4                |
| February, 2005        | 38             | 56                | 6                | January, 1998          | 46             | 50                | 4                |
| January, 2005         | 40             | 54                | 6                | September, 1997        | 45             | 49                | 6                |
| December, 2004        | 39             | 54                | 7                | August, 1997           | 49             | 46                | 5                |
| Mid-October, 2004     | 36             | 58                | 6                | January, 1997          | 38             | 58                | 4                |
| July, 2004            | 38             | 55                | 7                | July, 1996             | 29             | 67                | 4                |
| May, 2004             | 33             | 61                | 6                | March, 1996            | 28             | 70                | 2                |
| Late February, 2004*  | 39             | 55                | 6                | October, 1995          | 23             | 73                | 4                |
| Early January, 2004   | 45             | 48                | 7                | June, 1995             | 25             | 73                | 2                |
| December, 2003        | 44             | 47                | 9                | April, 1995            | 23             | 74                | 3                |
| October, 2003         | 38             | 56                | 6                | July, 1994             | 24             | 73                | 3                |
| August, 2003          | 40             | 53                | 7                | March, 1994            | 24             | 71                | 5                |
| April, 2003           | 50             | 41                | 9                | October, 1993          | 22             | 73                | 5                |
| January, 2003         | 44             | 50                | 6                | September, 1993        | 20             | 75                | 5                |
| November, 2002        | 41             | 48                | 11               | May, 1993              | 22             | 71                | 7                |
| September, 2002       | 41             | 55                | 4                | January, 1993          | 39             | 50                | 11               |
| Late August, 2002     | 47             | 44                | 9                | January, 1992          | 28             | 68                | 4                |
| May, 2002             | 44             | 44                | 12               | November, 1991         | 34             | 61                | 5                |
| March, 2002           | 50             | 40                | 10               | Gallup: Late Feb, 1991 | 66             | 31                | 3                |
| Late September, 2001  | 57             | 34                | 9                | August, 1990           | 47             | 48                | 5                |
| Early September, 2001 | 41             | 53                | 6                | May, 1990              | 41             | 54                | 5                |
| June, 2001            | 43             | 52                | 5                | January, 1989          | 45             | 50                | 5                |
| March, 2001           | 47             | 45                | 8                | September, 1988 (RVs)  | 50             | 45                | 5                |

**RANDOMIZE Q.1 AND Q.2/Q.2a BLOCK****ASK ALL:**

Q.2 Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as President? **[IF DK ENTER AS DK. IF DEPENDS PROBE ONCE WITH: Overall do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as President? IF STILL DEPENDS ENTER AS DK]**

|                    | Approve | Disapprove | (VOL.)<br>DK/Ref |
|--------------------|---------|------------|------------------|
| Jan 10-15, 2018    | 37      | 56         | 7                |
| Nov 29-Dec 4, 2017 | 32      | 63         | 5                |
| Oct 25-30, 2017    | 34      | 59         | 7                |
| Jun 8-18, 2017     | 39      | 55         | 7                |
| Apr 5-11, 2017     | 39      | 54         | 6                |
| Feb 7-12, 2017     | 39      | 56         | 6                |

**See past presidents' approval trends:** [Barack Obama](#), [George W. Bush](#), [Bill Clinton](#)

**RANDOMIZE Q.1 AND Q.2/Q.2a BLOCK****ASK IF APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE (Q.2=1,2):**

Q.2a Do you [approve/disapprove] very strongly, or not so strongly?

|                 | -----Approve----- |                      |                        |                                | -----Disapprove----- |                      |                        |                                | <b>(VOL.)</b><br>DK/Ref |
|-----------------|-------------------|----------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|
|                 | <u>Total</u>      | <u>Very strongly</u> | <u>Not so strongly</u> | <b>(VOL.)</b><br><u>DK/Ref</u> | <u>Total</u>         | <u>Very strongly</u> | <u>Not so strongly</u> | <b>(VOL.)</b><br><u>DK/Ref</u> |                         |
| Jan 10-15, 2018 | 37                | 27                   | 9                      | 1                              | 56                   | 47                   | 8                      | 1                              | 7                       |
| Oct 25-30, 2017 | 34                | 25                   | 8                      | 1                              | 59                   | 51                   | 8                      | *                              | 7                       |
| Jun 8-18, 2017  | 39                | 29                   | 9                      | 2                              | 55                   | 47                   | 7                      | 1                              | 7                       |
| Apr 5-11, 2017  | 39                | 30                   | 8                      | 1                              | 54                   | 44                   | 10                     | 1                              | 6                       |
| Feb 7-12, 2017  | 39                | 29                   | 8                      | 1                              | 56                   | 46                   | 9                      | 1                              | 6                       |

**NO QUESTIONS 3-4****ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=753]:**

Q.5F1 Looking ahead, as far as you are concerned, do you think that 2018 will be better or worse than 2017?

|                                | <u>Better</u> | <u>Worse</u> | <b>(VOL.)</b><br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|--------------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------------------------|
| Jan 10-15, 2018                | 61            | 29           | 11                             |
| Jan 4-9, 2017                  | 49            | 42           | 9                              |
| Jan 7-14, 2016                 | 56            | 30           | 14                             |
| Dec 3-7, 2014 (U)              | 49            | 42           | 9                              |
| Jan 15-19, 2014                | 56            | 35           | 9                              |
| Dec 5-9, 2012                  | 55            | 36           | 9                              |
| Jan 11-16, 2012                | 57            | 29           | 14                             |
| Dec 1-5, 2010                  | 55            | 31           | 14                             |
| Jan 6-10, 2010                 | 67            | 26           | 8                              |
| Jan 7-11, 2009                 | 52            | 37           | 11                             |
| December, 2007                 | 50            | 34           | 16                             |
| December, 2006                 | 57            | 28           | 15                             |
| December, 1999                 | 66            | 19           | 15                             |
| December, 1998                 | 59            | 25           | 16                             |
| December, 1994                 | 59            | 28           | 13                             |
| <i>Gallup</i> : December, 1993 | 64            | 20           | 16                             |
| <i>Gallup</i> : December, 1992 | 61            | 11           | 28                             |
| <i>Gallup</i> : December, 1991 | 61            | 31           | 8                              |
| <i>Gallup</i> : December, 1990 | 48            | 42           | 10                             |
| <i>Gallup</i> : December, 1986 | 53            | 25           | 22                             |
| <i>Gallup</i> : December, 1985 | 64            | 20           | 17                             |
| <i>Gallup</i> : December, 1984 | 61            | 20           | 19                             |
| <i>Gallup</i> : December, 1982 | 50            | 32           | 18                             |
| <i>Gallup</i> : December, 1981 | 41            | 44           | 15                             |

**ASK IF 'BETTER' OR 'WORSE' in Q.5F1 (Q5F1=1,2):**

Q.6F1 Why do you think 2018 will be [INSERT ANSWER FROM Q. 5F1]? [OPEN-END. PROBE ONCE IF RESPONDENT ANSWERS "DON'T KNOW". ACCEPT UP TO THREE RESPONSES]

**BASED ON THOSE WHO SAID 2018 WILL BE BETTER [N=454]:**

Jan 10-15

2018

|    |  |
|----|--|
| 25 | Economy/Jobs/Stock market/Trade/Taxes    |
| 18 | General optimism                         |
| 15 | Trump                                    |
| 7  | Midterm election year                    |
| 6  | Personal reasons                         |
| 6  | Can't get worse/Better than 2017         |
| 6  | Country on the right track               |
| 3  | Efforts to block or impeach Trump        |
| 2  | People will come together/Bipartisanship |
| 1  | Immigration/Secure borders               |
| 7  | Other                                    |
| 5  | Don't know/Refused ( <b>VOL.</b> )       |

**BASED ON THOSE WHO SAID 2018 WILL BE WORSE [N=222]:**

Jan 10-15

2018

|    |  |
|----|--|
| 46 | Trump                                  |
| 11 | Economy/Jobs/Debt/Class conflict/Taxes |
| 11 | Republican Party/Congress/agenda       |
| 8  | General pessimism                      |
| 7  | Divided country/Political instability  |
| 2  | Potential for war/Global conflicts     |
| 2  | Racism/Race relations                  |
| 1  | ACA repeal/Trouble with health care    |
| 10 | Other                                  |
| 1  | Don't know/Refused ( <b>VOL.</b> )     |

**Q.6F1 TRENDS FOR COMPARISON CONTINUED...****ASK IF 'BETTER' OR 'WORSE' in Q.5F1 (Q5F1=1,2):**

Why do you think 2017 will be [INSERT ANSWER FROM Q. 5F1]? [OPEN-END. PROBE ONCE IF RESPONDENT ANSWERS "DON'T KNOW". ACCEPT UP TO THREE RESPONSES]

**BASED ON THOSE WHO SAID 2017 WILL BE BETTER [N=364]:**

Jan 4-9

2017

|    |  |
|----|--|
| 56 | Donald Trump/New administration/Not Obama  |
| 15 | General optimism                           |
| 11 | Optimism about the economy                 |
| 6  | "Things can't get any worse"               |
| 4  | Personal reasons                           |
| 3  | Country moving in a conservative direction |
| 2  | Optimism about health care reform          |
| 1  | Know what the problems are/Try harder      |
| 1  | Optimism about immigration policy          |
| 5  | Other                                      |
| 4  | Don't know/Refused (VOL.)                  |

**BASED ON THOSE WHO SAID 2017 WILL BE WORSE [N=313]:**

Jan 4-9

2017

|    |   |
|----|---|
| 72 | Donald Trump/New administration                           |
| 6  | General political divisions in the country                |
| 6  | Pessimism about the Republican Party/Congress             |
| 5  | General pessimism   |
| 5  | Pessimism about racism/race relations                     |
| 3  | Pessimism about the economy                               |
| 2  | Worried about war/global conflicts                        |
| 1  | Pessimism about health care/Repeal of Affordable Care Act |
| 1  | Worried about crime/violence                              |
| 1  | Pessimism about terrorism                                 |
| 6  | Other   |
| 3  | Don't know/Refused (VOL.)                                 |

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=750]:**

Q.7F2 In the long run, do you think Donald Trump will be a successful or unsuccessful president, or do you think it is too early to tell?

|                    | <u>Successful</u> | <u>Unsuccessful</u> | <u>Too early to tell</u> | <u>(VOL.) DK/Ref</u> |
|--------------------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Trump</b>       |                   |                     |                          |                      |
| Jan 10-15, 2018    | 23                | 41                  | 34                       | 1                    |
| Jan 4-9, 2017      | 21                | 20                  | 58                       | 1                    |
| <b>Obama</b>       |                   |                     |                          |                      |
| Jan 7-14, 2016     | 37                | 34                  | 26                       | 3                    |
| Jan 7-11, 2015     | 32                | 38                  | 29                       | 2                    |
| Jan 15-19, 2014    | 28                | 34                  | 35                       | 3                    |
| Jun 12-16, 2013    | 34                | 31                  | 33                       | 2                    |
| Jan 9-13, 2013     | 33                | 26                  | 39                       | 2                    |
| Jan 11-16, 2012    | 27                | 32                  | 39                       | 2                    |
| Jan 5-9, 2011      | 25                | 26                  | 47                       | 2                    |
| Jan 6-10, 2010     | 24                | 21                  | 52                       | 3                    |
| Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009 | 27                | 18                  | 54                       | 2                    |

**Q.7F2 CONTINUED...**

|                       | <u>Successful</u> | <u>Unsuccessful</u> | <u>Too early<br/>to tell</u> | <b>(VOL.)</b><br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Jan 7-11, 2009        | 30                | 4                   | 65                           | 1                              |
| <b>Bush</b>           |                   |                     |                              |                                |
| January, 2007         | 24                | 45                  | 27                           | 4                              |
| January, 2006         | 27                | 37                  | 32                           | 4                              |
| Early October, 2005   | 26                | 41                  | 30                           | 3                              |
| January, 2005         | 36                | 27                  | 35                           | 2                              |
| December, 2003        | 39                | 20                  | 38                           | 3                              |
| Early October, 2002   | 40                | 15                  | 44                           | 1                              |
| January, 2001         | 26                | 15                  | 58                           | 1                              |
| <b>Clinton</b>        |                   |                     |                              |                                |
| January, 1999         | 44                | 24                  | 29                           | 3                              |
| Early September, 1998 | 38                | 24                  | 35                           | 3                              |
| February, 1995        | 18                | 34                  | 43                           | 5                              |
| October, 1994         | 14                | 35                  | 48                           | 3                              |
| May, 1994             | 21                | 26                  | 52                           | 1                              |
| January, 1994         | 21                | 19                  | 57                           | 3                              |
| October, 1993         | 18                | 25                  | 56                           | 1                              |
| September, 1993       | 22                | 22                  | 54                           | 2                              |
| August, 1993          | 13                | 25                  | 60                           | 2                              |

**QUESTION 8 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE****NO QUESTIONS 9-10****ASK ALL:**

Q.11 Thinking about some events that will occur in the coming year ... Please tell me if you are especially looking forward to **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]**, or not? How about **[NEXT ITEM]**? **[REPEAT AS NECESSARY: Please tell me if this is something you are especially looking forward to or not.]**

|   | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | <b>(VOL.)</b><br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|---|------------|-----------|--------------------------------|
| a. The 2018 mid-term Congressional elections          |            |           |                                |
| Jan 10-15, 2018                                       | 58         | 37        | 5                              |
| Jan 2-5, 2014   | 51         | 49        | 1                              |
| Jan 6-10, 2010 <sup>2</sup>                           | 50         | 47        | 3                              |
| <b>TREND FOR COMPARISON:</b>                          |            |           |                                |
| Late December, 2007: <i>The presidential election</i> | 70         | 28        | 2                              |
| January, 1988   | 74         | 23        | 3                              |

**NO ITEM b****ITEMS c-e HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**

<sup>2</sup> In January 6-10, 2010, item asked about "2010 mid-term Congressional elections."

**ASK ALL:**

Q.12 If the elections for U.S. Congress were being held TODAY, would you vote for **[RANDOMIZE: "the Republican Party's candidate" OR "the Democratic Party's candidate"]** for Congress in your district?

**ASK IF 'OTHER' 'DON'T KNOW/REFUSED' (Q.12=3,9):**

Q.12b As of TODAY, do you LEAN more to the **[READ IN SAME ORDER AS Q.12; IF NECESSARY: "for U.S. Congress in your district"]**?

**BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1,215]:**

|                       | <u>Rep/<br/>Lean Rep</u> | <u>Dem/<br/>Lean Dem</u> | <b>(VOL.)</b><br><u>Other/<br/>DK/Ref</u> |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| <b>2018 Election</b>  |                          |                          |   |
| Jan 10-15, 2018       | 39                       | 53                       | 8   |
| Jun 27-Jul 9, 2017    | 40                       | 53                       | 7   |
| <b>2014 Election</b>  |                          |                          |   |
| Oct 15-20, 2014       | 42                       | 48                       | 10  |
| Sep 2-9, 2014         | 42                       | 47                       | 11  |
| Aug 20-24, 2014 (U)   | 42                       | 47                       | 11  |
| Jul 8-14, 2014        | 45                       | 47                       | 9   |
| Apr 23-27, 2014 (U)   | 47                       | 43                       | 9   |
| Feb 12-26, 2014       | 44                       | 46                       | 10  |
| Dec 3-8, 2013 (U)     | 44                       | 48                       | 8   |
| Oct 9-13, 2013        | 43                       | 49                       | 8   |
| <b>2012 Election</b>  |                          |                          |   |
| Jun 7-17, 2012        | 43                       | 47                       | 10  |
| Aug 17-21, 2011       | 44                       | 48                       | 8   |
| <b>2010 Election</b>  |                          |                          |   |
| Oct 27-30, 2010       | 43                       | 44                       | 12  |
| Oct 13-18, 2010       | 46                       | 42                       | 12  |
| Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010    | 44                       | 47                       | 9   |
| Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010    | 44                       | 45                       | 11  |
| Jun 16-20, 2010       | 45                       | 45                       | 10  |
| Mar 11-21, 2010       | 44                       | 44                       | 12  |
| Feb 3-9, 2010         | 42                       | 45                       | 13  |
| Jan 6-10, 2010        | 44                       | 46                       | 10  |
| Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009    | 42                       | 47                       | 11  |
| Aug 20-27, 2009       | 44                       | 45                       | 10  |
| <b>2008 Election</b>  |                          |                          |   |
| June, 2008            | 37                       | 52                       | 11  |
| <b>2006 Election</b>  |                          |                          |   |
| November, 2006        | 40                       | 48                       | 12  |
| Late October, 2006    | 38                       | 49                       | 13  |
| Early October, 2006   | 38                       | 51                       | 11  |
| September, 2006       | 39                       | 50                       | 11  |
| August, 2006          | 41                       | 50                       | 9   |
| June, 2006            | 39                       | 51                       | 10  |
| April, 2006           | 41                       | 51                       | 8   |
| February, 2006        | 41                       | 50                       | 9   |
| Mid-September, 2005   | 40                       | 52                       | 8   |
| <b>2004 Election</b>  |                          |                          |   |
| June, 2004            | 41                       | 48                       | 11  |
| <b>2002 Election</b>  |                          |                          |   |
| Early November, 2002  | 42                       | 46                       | 12  |
| Early October, 2002   | 44                       | 46                       | 10  |
| Early September, 2002 | 44                       | 46                       | 10  |
| June, 2002            | 44                       | 46                       | 10  |
| February, 2002        | 46                       | 45                       | 9   |
| Early November, 2001  | 44                       | 44                       | 12  |

## Q.12/Q.12b CONTINUED...

|                       | Rep/<br><u>Lean Rep</u> | Dem/<br><u>Lean Dem</u> | (VOL.)<br>Other/<br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>2000 Election</b>  |                         |                         |                                   |
| Early November, 2000  | 42                      | 48                      | 10                                |
| Early October, 2000   | 43                      | 47                      | 10                                |
| July, 2000            | 43                      | 47                      | 10                                |
| February, 2000        | 44                      | 47                      | 9                                 |
| October, 1999         | 43                      | 49                      | 8                                 |
| June, 1999            | 40                      | 50                      | 10                                |
| <b>1998 Election</b>  |                         |                         |                                   |
| Late October, 1998    | 40                      | 47                      | 13                                |
| Early October, 1998   | 43                      | 44                      | 13                                |
| Early September, 1998 | 45                      | 46                      | 9                                 |
| Late August, 1998     | 44                      | 45                      | 11                                |
| Early August, 1998    | 42                      | 49                      | 9                                 |
| June, 1998            | 44                      | 46                      | 10                                |
| March, 1998           | 40                      | 52                      | 8                                 |
| February, 1998        | 41                      | 50                      | 9                                 |
| January, 1998         | 41                      | 51                      | 8                                 |
| August, 1997          | 45                      | 48                      | 7                                 |
| <b>1996 Election</b>  |                         |                         |                                   |
| November, 1996        | 41                      | 48                      | 11                                |
| October, 1996         | 42                      | 49                      | 9                                 |
| Late September, 1996  | 43                      | 49                      | 8                                 |
| Early September, 1996 | 43                      | 51                      | 6                                 |
| July, 1996            | 46                      | 47                      | 7                                 |
| June, 1996            | 44                      | 50                      | 6                                 |
| March, 1996           | 44                      | 49                      | 7                                 |
| January, 1996         | 46                      | 47                      | 7                                 |
| October, 1995         | 48                      | 48                      | 4                                 |
| August, 1995          | 50                      | 43                      | 7                                 |
| <b>1994 Election</b>  |                         |                         |                                   |
| November, 1994        | 45                      | 43                      | 12                                |
| Late October, 1994    | 47                      | 44                      | 9                                 |
| Early October, 1994   | 52                      | 40                      | 8                                 |
| September, 1994       | 48                      | 46                      | 6                                 |
| July, 1994            | 45                      | 47                      | 8                                 |

**ASK ALL:**

Q.13 Would you like to see your representative in Congress be re-elected in the next congressional election, or not?

**BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1,215]:**

|                      | Yes | No | (VOL.)<br>Congressman<br>not running | (VOL.)<br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|----------------------|-----|----|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>2018 Election</b> |     |    |                                      |                         |
| Jan 10-15, 2018      | 48  | 33 | 1                                    | 18                      |
| <b>2014 Election</b> |     |    |                                      |                         |
| Oct 15-20, 2014      | 48  | 35 | 2                                    | 15                      |
| Jul 8-14, 2014       | 48  | 36 | 1                                    | 15                      |
| Oct 9-13, 2013       | 48  | 38 | 1                                    | 14                      |
| <b>2012 Election</b> |     |    |                                      |                         |
| Dec 7-11, 2011       | 50  | 33 | 1                                    | 16                      |
| <b>2010 Election</b> |     |    |                                      |                         |
| Oct 27-30, 2010      | 49  | 32 | 2                                    | 18                      |

## Q.13 CONTINUED...

|                               | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | (VOL.)<br>Congressman<br><u>not running</u> | (VOL.)<br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|-------------------------------|------------|-----------|---|-------------------------|
| Oct 13-18, 2010               | 47         | 32        | 1   | 20                      |
| Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010            | 49         | 33        | 1   | 17                      |
| Jun 16-20, 2010               | 49         | 34        | 1   | 16                      |
| Mar 11-21, 2010               | 43         | 32        | 1   | 24                      |
| Feb 3-9, 2010                 | 49         | 31        | *   | 19                      |
| Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009            | 52         | 29        | 1   | 18                      |
| <b>2008 Election</b>          |            |           |   |                         |
| Late February, 2008           | 60         | 22        | 1   | 17                      |
| <b>2006 Election</b>          |            |           |   |                         |
| November, 2006                | 55         | 25        | 1   | 19                      |
| Late October, 2006            | 55         | 26        | 1   | 18                      |
| Early October, 2006           | 50         | 27        | 1   | 22                      |
| September, 2006               | 53         | 27        | 1   | 19                      |
| August, 2006                  | 51         | 30        | *   | 19                      |
| June, 2006                    | 51         | 32        | 1   | 16                      |
| April, 2006                   | 57         | 28        | 1   | 14                      |
| February, 2006                | 59         | 28        | 1   | 12                      |
| September, 2005               | 57         | 25        | 1   | 17                      |
| <b>2002 Election</b>          |            |           |   |                         |
| Early October, 2002           | 58         | 19        | 2   | 21                      |
| June, 2002                    | 58         | 23        | 1   | 18                      |
| <b>2000 Election</b>          |            |           |   |                         |
| Early November, 2000          | 59         | 16        | 2   | 23                      |
| October, 2000                 | 60         | 17        | 1   | 22                      |
| July, 1999                    | 66         | 23        | *   | 11                      |
| <b>1998 Election</b>          |            |           |   |                         |
| Late October, 1998            | 64         | 19        | 1   | 16                      |
| Early October, 1998           | 58         | 20        | 2   | 20                      |
| Early September, 1998         | 63         | 20        | 1   | 16                      |
| March, 1998                   | 63         | 21        | 1   | 15                      |
| January, 1998                 | 66         | 23        | 0   | 11                      |
| August, 1997                  | 66         | 22        | 0   | 12                      |
| <b>1996 Election</b>          |            |           |   |                         |
| Early November, 1996          | 60         | 16        | 3   | 21                      |
| October, 1996                 | 62         | 19        | 2   | 17                      |
| Late September, 1996          | 55         | 17        | 2   | 26                      |
| Early September, 1996         | 62         | 19        | 2   | 17                      |
| <b>1994 Election</b>          |            |           |   |                         |
| November, 1994                | 58         | 25        | 1   | 16                      |
| Late October, 1994            | 55         | 30        | 2   | 13                      |
| Early October, 1994           | 49         | 29        | 2   | 20                      |
| <b>1990 Election</b>          |            |           |   |                         |
| <i>Gallup</i> : October, 1990 | 62         | 22        | 2   | 14                      |

## ASK ALL:

Q.14 Regardless of how you feel about your own representative, would you like to see most members of Congress re-elected in the next congressional election, or not?

## BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1,215]:

|                      | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | (VOL.)<br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|----------------------|------------|-----------|-------------------------|
| <b>2018 Election</b> |            |           |                         |
| Jan 10-15, 2018      | 25         | 62        | 12                      |

**Q.14 CONTINUED...**

|                       | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | <u>(VOL.)<br/>DK/Ref</u> |
|-----------------------|------------|-----------|--------------------------|
| <b>2014 Election</b>  |            |           |                          |
| Oct 15-20, 2014       | 23         | 68        | 9                        |
| Jul 8-14, 2014        | 24         | 69        | 7                        |
| Oct 9-13, 2013        | 18         | 74        | 8                        |
| <b>2012 Election</b>  |            |           |                          |
| Dec 7-11, 2011        | 20         | 67        | 13                       |
| <b>2010 Election</b>  |            |           |                          |
| Oct 27-30, 2010       | 35         | 51        | 13                       |
| Oct 13-18, 2010       | 33         | 54        | 13                       |
| Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010    | 33         | 56        | 11                       |
| Jun 16-20, 2010       | 31         | 56        | 13                       |
| Mar 11-21, 2010       | 27         | 57        | 15                       |
| Feb 3-9, 2010         | 32         | 53        | 15                       |
| Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009    | 34         | 53        | 13                       |
| <b>2008 Election</b>  |            |           |                          |
| Late February, 2008   | 36         | 49        | 15                       |
| <b>2006 Election</b>  |            |           |                          |
| November, 2006        | 37         | 46        | 17                       |
| Late October, 2006    | 34         | 50        | 17                       |
| Early October, 2006   | 32         | 48        | 20                       |
| September, 2006       | 35         | 49        | 16                       |
| August, 2006          | 36         | 49        | 15                       |
| June, 2006            | 29         | 57        | 14                       |
| April, 2006           | 34         | 53        | 13                       |
| February, 2006        | 36         | 49        | 15                       |
| September, 2005       | 36         | 48        | 16                       |
| <b>2002 Election</b>  |            |           |                          |
| Early October, 2002   | 39         | 38        | 23                       |
| June, 2002            | 45         | 37        | 18                       |
| <b>2000 Election</b>  |            |           |                          |
| October, 2000         | 40         | 34        | 26                       |
| July, 1999            | 41         | 47        | 12                       |
| <b>1998 Election</b>  |            |           |                          |
| Late October, 1998    | 41         | 37        | 22                       |
| Early October, 1998   | 39         | 39        | 22                       |
| Early September, 1998 | 46         | 37        | 17                       |
| March, 1998           | 45         | 41        | 14                       |
| January, 1998         | 44         | 43        | 13                       |
| August, 1997          | 45         | 42        | 13                       |
| <b>1996 Election</b>  |            |           |                          |
| Early September, 1996 | 43         | 43        | 14                       |
| <b>1994 Election</b>  |            |           |                          |
| November, 1994        | 31         | 51        | 18                       |
| Late October, 1994    | 31         | 56        | 13                       |
| Early October, 1994   | 28         | 56        | 16                       |

**ASK ALL:**

Q.15 Will the issue of which party controls Congress, the Republicans or the Democrats, be a factor in your vote for Congress this year, or not?

**BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1,215]:**

|                      | <u>Yes, will be<br/>a factor</u> | <u>No,<br/>will not</u> | <u>(VOL.)<br/>DK/Ref</u> |
|----------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>2018 Election</b> |                                  |                         |                          |
| Jan 10-15, 2018      | 63                               | 32                      | 5                        |

**Q.15 CONTINUED...**

|                       | Yes, will be<br>a factor | No,<br>will not | (VOL.)<br>DK/Ref |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| <b>2014 Election</b>  |                          |                 |                  |
| Oct 15-20, 2014       | 62                       | 34              | 4                |
| Jul 8-14, 2014        | 58                       | 39              | 3                |
| Apr 23-27, 2014 (U)   | 53                       | 43              | 4                |
| <b>2012 Election</b>  |                          |                 |                  |
| Jun 7-17, 2012        | 49                       | 48              | 3                |
| <b>2010 Election</b>  |                          |                 |                  |
| Oct 27-30, 2010       | 62                       | 34              | 4                |
| Oct 13-18, 2010       | 61                       | 36              | 3                |
| Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010    | 56                       | 41              | 3                |
| Jun 16-20, 2010       | 58                       | 39              | 3                |
| Feb 3-9, 2010         | 48                       | 45              | 6                |
| <b>2008 Election</b>  |                          |                 |                  |
| June, 2008            | 44                       | 51              | 5                |
| <b>2006 Election</b>  |                          |                 |                  |
| November, 2006        | 61                       | 36              | 3                |
| Late October, 2006    | 61                       | 36              | 3                |
| Early October, 2006   | 57                       | 40              | 3                |
| September, 2006       | 55                       | 41              | 4                |
| June, 2006            | 58                       | 39              | 3                |
| April, 2006           | 56                       | 39              | 5                |
| <b>2004 Election</b>  |                          |                 |                  |
| June, 2004            | 43                       | 51              | 6                |
| <b>2002 Election</b>  |                          |                 |                  |
| Early November, 2002  | 48                       | 49              | 3                |
| Early October, 2002   | 42                       | 55              | 3                |
| Early September, 2002 | 44                       | 51              | 5                |
| June, 2002            | 47                       | 50              | 3                |
| February, 2002        | 46                       | 49              | 5                |
| <b>2000 Election</b>  |                          |                 |                  |
| Early October, 2000   | 46                       | 50              | 4                |
| July, 2000            | 46                       | 49              | 5                |
| <b>1998 Election</b>  |                          |                 |                  |
| Late October, 1998    | 46                       | 50              | 4                |
| Early October, 1998   | 47                       | 49              | 4                |
| Early September, 1998 | 41                       | 56              | 3                |
| Early August, 1998    | 44                       | 53              | 3                |
| June, 1998            | 45                       | 51              | 4                |

**ASK ALL:**

Q.16 Do you think of your vote for Congress as a vote FOR Donald Trump, as a vote AGAINST Donald Trump, or isn't Donald Trump much of a factor in your vote?

**BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1,215]:**

|                              | For | Against | Not a<br>factor | (VOL.)<br>DK/Ref |
|------------------------------|-----|---------|-----------------|------------------|
| <b>2018 Election (Trump)</b> |     |         |                 |                  |
| Jan 10-15, 2018              | 21  | 33      | 42              | 3                |
| <b>2014 Election (Obama)</b> |     |         |                 |                  |
| Oct 15-20, 2014              | 20  | 32      | 45              | 3                |
| Jul 8-14, 2014               | 19  | 29      | 49              | 3                |
| Apr 23-27, 2014 (U)          | 16  | 26      | 54              | 4                |
| <b>2010 Election (Obama)</b> |     |         |                 |                  |
| Oct 27-30, 2010              | 26  | 28      | 42              | 4                |
| Oct 13-18, 2010              | 27  | 30      | 39              | 4                |

**Q.16 CONTINUED...**

|                                      | <u>For</u> | <u>Against</u> | <u>Not a factor</u> | <b>(VOL.)</b><br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|--------------------------------------|------------|----------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010                   | 25         | 30             | 42                  | 3                              |
| Jun 16-20, 2010                      | 23         | 28             | 47                  | 2                              |
| Feb 3-9, 2010                        | 24         | 20             | 51                  | 5                              |
| <b>2006 Election (Bush)</b>          |            |                |                     |                                |
| November, 2006                       | 21         | 35             | 41                  | 3                              |
| Late October, 2006                   | 20         | 37             | 38                  | 5                              |
| Early October, 2006                  | 18         | 39             | 40                  | 3                              |
| September, 2006                      | 20         | 36             | 40                  | 4                              |
| August, 2006                         | 17         | 35             | 43                  | 5                              |
| June, 2006                           | 15         | 38             | 44                  | 3                              |
| April, 2006                          | 17         | 34             | 46                  | 3                              |
| February, 2006                       | 18         | 31             | 47                  | 4                              |
| <b>2002 Election (Bush)</b>          |            |                |                     |                                |
| Early November, 2002                 | 29         | 16             | 49                  | 6                              |
| Early October, 2002                  | 30         | 20             | 44                  | 6                              |
| Early September, 2002                | 29         | 15             | 51                  | 5                              |
| February, 2002                       | 34         | 9              | 50                  | 7                              |
| <b>1998 Election (Clinton)</b>       |            |                |                     |                                |
| Late October, 1998                   | 20         | 17             | 58                  | 5                              |
| Early October, 1998                  | 19         | 23             | 52                  | 6                              |
| Early September, 1998                | 18         | 16             | 63                  | 3                              |
| Late August, 1998                    | 20         | 17             | 61                  | 2                              |
| Early August, 1998                   | 21         | 18             | 57                  | 4                              |
| June, 1998                           | 20         | 18             | 57                  | 5                              |
| March, 1998                          | 21         | 15             | 59                  | 5                              |
| <b>1996 Election (Clinton)</b>       |            |                |                     |                                |
| Early September, 1996                | 24         | 18             | 51                  | 7                              |
| <b>1994 Election (Clinton)</b>       |            |                |                     |                                |
| November, 1994                       | 17         | 21             | 55                  | 7                              |
| Late October, 1994                   | 17         | 21             | 57                  | 5                              |
| Early October, 1994                  | 17         | 23             | 54                  | 6                              |
| <b>1990 Election (GHW Bush)</b>      |            |                |                     |                                |
| <i>CBS/NYT</i> : October 28-31, 1990 | 19         | 15             | 61                  | 6                              |
| <b>1986 Election (Reagan)</b>        |            |                |                     |                                |
| <i>CBS/NYT</i> : October 24-28, 1986 | 26         | 12             | 55                  | 7                              |
| <i>CBS/NYT</i> : Sep 28-Oct 1, 1986  | 26         | 16             | 51                  | 7                              |
| <b>1982 Election (Reagan)</b>        |            |                |                     |                                |
| <i>CBS/NYT</i> : October 23-28, 1982 | 23         | 21             | 51                  | 5                              |

**NO QUESTIONS 17-27, 29****QUESTION 28 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.30 Thinking about Donald Trump's ability to handle a number of things, please tell me whether you are very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not at all confident that Trump can **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE; OBSERVE FORM SPLITS]**? How about **[NEXT ITEM]**? **[IF NECESSARY: Are you very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not at all confident that Trump can [ITEM]?**]

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=753]:**

|   | <u>Very confident</u> | <u>Somewhat confident</u> | <u>Not too confident</u> | <u>Not at all confident</u> | <b>(VOL.)</b><br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|---|-----------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| a.F1 Make wise decisions about the use of nuclear weapons |                       |                           |                          |                             |                                |
| Jan 10-15, 2018   | 26                    | 13                        | 11                       | 47                          | 2                              |
| Aug 15-21, 2017   | 22                    | 18                        | 14                       | 44                          | 2                              |
| b.F1 Make wise decisions about immigration policy         |                       |                           |                          |                             |                                |
| Jan 10-15, 2018   | 27                    | 11                        | 15                       | 45                          | 2                              |
| Aug 15-21, 2017   | 23                    | 17                        | 15                       | 43                          | 1                              |

**NO ITEM c**

|                                     |    |    |    |    |   |
|-------------------------------------|----|----|----|----|---|
| d.F1 Work effectively with Congress |    |    |    |    |   |
| Jan 10-15, 2018                     | 19 | 25 | 19 | 35 | 2 |
| Oct 25-30, 2017                     | 14 | 25 | 22 | 37 | 2 |
| Apr 5-11, 2017                      | 17 | 29 | 22 | 30 | 2 |
| Nov 30-Dec 5, 2016                  | 26 | 35 | 17 | 21 | 1 |
| <b>Bush</b>                         |    |    |    |    |   |
| <i>Gallup/CNN/USA Today:</i>        |    |    |    |    |   |
| January, 2005 <sup>3</sup>          | 26 | 44 | 17 | 12 | 1 |
| <i>Gallup/CNN/USA Today:</i>        |    |    |    |    |   |
| January, 2001                       | 27 | 47 | 17 | 8  | 1 |

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=750]:**

|  |    |    |    |    |   |
|--|----|----|----|----|---|
| e.F2 Manage the Executive Branch effectively   |    |    |    |    |   |
| Jan 10-15, 2018                                | 22 | 19 | 16 | 40 | 3 |
| Oct 25-30, 2017                                | 23 | 19 | 15 | 42 | 1 |
| Apr 5-11, 2017                                 | 28 | 22 | 16 | 33 | 1 |
| Nov 30-Dec 5, 2016                             | 26 | 26 | 20 | 26 | 2 |
| <b>Bush</b>                                    |    |    |    |    |   |
| <i>Gallup/CNN/USA Today:</i>                   |    |    |    |    |   |
| January, 2001                                  | 33 | 44 | 15 | 7  | 1 |
| f.F2 Make good decisions about economic policy |    |    |    |    |   |
| Jan 10-15, 2018                                | 29 | 17 | 14 | 37 | 3 |
| g.F2 Handle an international crisis            |    |    |    |    |   |
| Jan 10-15, 2018                                | 21 | 14 | 16 | 46 | 2 |
| Oct 25-30, 2017                                | 23 | 16 | 14 | 45 | 1 |
| Apr 5-11, 2017                                 | 27 | 21 | 14 | 38 | * |
| Nov 30-Dec 5, 2016 <sup>4</sup>                | 21 | 24 | 18 | 35 | 2 |

<sup>3</sup> In January 2005 and January 2001 surveys, item was worded: "Work effectively with Congress to get things done."

<sup>4</sup> In December 2016 survey and Gallup/CNN/USA Today surveys, this question was worded: "I'd like you to think about Donald Trump's ability to handle a number of things over the next four years."

**Q.30 CONTINUED...**

|   | <u>Very confident</u> | <u>Somewhat confident</u> | <u>Not too confident</u> | <u>Not at all confident</u> | <b>(VOL.)</b><br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|---|-----------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Bush</b>                                   |                       |                           |                          |                             |                                |
| <i>Gallup/CNN/USA Today:</i><br>January, 2005 | 36                    | 28                        | 17                       | 18                          | 1                              |
| <i>Gallup/CNN/USA Today:</i><br>January, 2001 | 32                    | 39                        | 19                       | 9                           | 1                              |

**NO QUESTIONS 31-38****QUESTION 39 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE****ASK ALL:**

Q.40 As I read some pairs of opposite phrases, tell me which one best reflects your impression of Donald Trump. (First,) does Donald Trump impress you as ... **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE; OBSERVE FORM SPLITS]**. Next, **[NEXT ITEM]**? **[IF NECESSARY: "Does Donald Trump impress you as ..."]**

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=753]:**

|                 | <u>Trustworthy</u> | <u>Not trustworthy</u> | <b>(VOL.)</b><br><u>Neither particularly</u> | <b>(VOL.)</b><br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|-----------------|--------------------|------------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| a.F1            |                    |                        |  |                                |
| Jan 10-15, 2018 | 35                 | 59                     | 2  | 3                              |
| Feb 7-12, 2017  | 37                 | 59                     | 1  | 3                              |

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=750]:**

|                 | <u>Someone who cares about people like me</u> | <u>Someone who doesn't care about people like me</u> | <b>(VOL.)</b><br><u>Neither particularly</u> | <b>(VOL.)</b><br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|-----------------|---|--|--|--------------------------------|
| b.F2            |   |  |  |                                |
| Jan 10-15, 2018 | 35  | 62   | 1  | 2                              |
| Feb 7-12, 2017  | 40  | 56   | 1  | 3                              |

|                 | <u>A strong leader</u> | <u>Not a strong leader</u> | <b>(VOL.)</b><br><u>Neither particularly</u> | <b>(VOL.)</b><br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|-----------------|------------------------|----------------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| c.F2            |                        |                            |  |                                |
| Jan 10-15, 2018 | 44                     | 54                         | 1  | 1                              |
| Feb 7-12, 2017  | 49                     | 49                         | 1  | 1                              |

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=753]:**

|                 | <u>A good communicator</u> | <u>Not a good communicator</u> | <b>(VOL.)</b><br><u>Neither particularly</u> | <b>(VOL.)</b><br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|-----------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| d.F1            |                            |                                |  |                                |
| Jan 10-15, 2018 | 31                         | 64                             | 2  | 2                              |
| Feb 7-12, 2017  | 34                         | 63                             | 1  | 2                              |

|                 | <u>Able to get things done</u> | <u>Not able to get things done</u> | <b>(VOL.)</b><br><u>Neither particularly</u> | <b>(VOL.)</b><br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| e.F1            |                                |                                    |  |                                |
| Jan 10-15, 2018 | 50                             | 46                                 | 2  | 3                              |
| Feb 7-12, 2017  | 54                             | 40                                 | 1  | 4                              |

|                 | <u>Even tempered</u> | <u>Not even tempered</u> | <b>(VOL.)</b><br><u>Neither particularly</u> | <b>(VOL.)</b><br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|-----------------|----------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| f.F1            |                      |                          |  |                                |
| Jan 10-15, 2018 | 25                   | 68                       | 3  | 4                              |
| Feb 7-12, 2017  | 28                   | 68                       | 1  | 4                              |

**Q.40 CONTINUED...****ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=750]:**

|                 | Well<br><u>informed</u> | Not well<br><u>informed</u> | (VOL.)<br>Neither<br><u>particularly</u> | (VOL.)<br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| g.F2            |                         |                             |  |                         |
| Jan 10-15, 2018 | 37                      | 61                          | 1  | 1                       |
| Feb 7-12, 2017  | 39                      | 57                          | 1  | 2                       |

|                 | Keeps his<br><u>promises</u> | Doesn't keep<br><u>his promises</u> | (VOL.)<br>Neither<br><u>particularly</u> | (VOL.)<br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|-----------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| h.F2            |                              |                                     |  |                         |
| Jan 10-15, 2018 | 39                           | 54                                  | 3  | 4                       |
| Feb 7-12, 2017  | 60                           | 31                                  | 3  | 6                       |

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=753]:**

Q.41F1 Do you think Trump has a responsibility to publicly release his tax returns, or does he not have this responsibility?

| Jan 10-15<br><u>2018</u> |   | Jan 4-9<br><u>2017</u> |
|--------------------------|---|------------------------|
| 57                       | Has responsibility to release returns           | 60                     |
| 37                       | Does not have responsibility to release returns | 33                     |
| 6                        | Don't know/Refused (VOL.)                       | 7                      |

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=750]:**

Q.42F2 How confident are you that Donald Trump keeps his own business interests separate from the decisions he makes as president? **[READ]**?

| Jan 10-15<br><u>2018</u> |                           | Feb 7-12<br><u>2017</u> |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| 23                       | Very confident            | 24                      |
| 18                       | Somewhat confident        | 16                      |
| 14                       | Not too confident         | 15                      |
| 43                       | Not at all confident      | 43                      |
| 2                        | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) | 1                       |

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=753]:**

Q.43F1 This year, should the Democratic leaders in Washington ... **[READ]**

| Jan 10-15<br><u>2018</u> |  | TREND FOR COMPARISON               |   |                            |
|--------------------------|--|------------------------------------|---|----------------------------|
|                          |  | Voters<br>Nov 10-14<br><u>2016</u> | Dem leaders/<br>Bush<br>Jan<br><u>2007</u> <sup>5</sup> | Bush<br>Nov<br><u>2006</u> |
| 53                       | Try as best they can to work with Donald Trump to accomplish things, even if it means disappointing some groups of Democratic supporters?  | 59                                 | 52  | 54                         |
|                          | [OR]   |                                    |   |                            |
| 39                       | Should they stand up to Donald Trump on issues that are important to Democratic supporters, even if it means less gets done in Washington? | 39                                 | 43  | 36                         |
| 8                        | Don't know/Refused (VOL.)  | 2                                  | 5   | 11                         |

<sup>5</sup> In January 2007 and November 2006 the question was rotated. Figures are based only on those who received this question first in the rotation. The question also began "This year..."

**Q.43F1 TREND FOR COMPARISON CONTINUED...***Next year should the Republican leaders in Washington... [READ]*

|   | Try as best they can to work with Barack Obama to accomplish things, even if it means disappointing some groups of <u>Republican supporters</u> | Stand up to Barack Obama on issues that are important to Republican supporters, even if it means less gets <u>done in Washington</u> | (VOL.)<br>DK/Ref |
|---|---|--|------------------|
| Nov 6-9, 2014                                 | 57  | 40   | 3                |
| Nov 8-11, 2012 ( <i>Voters</i> )              | 67  | 26   | 7                |
| Jan 11-16, 2012 <sup>6</sup>                  | 58  | 35   | 8                |
| Jan 5-9, 2011                                 | 61  | 33   | 6                |
| Nov 4-7, 2010                                 | 55  | 38   | 8                |
| November, 2008 <sup>7</sup> ( <i>Voters</i> ) | 66  | 28   | 6                |

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=750]:**

Q.44F2 This year, should Donald Trump ... [READ]

|                   |   | <i>Voters</i><br>Nov 10-14<br>2016 |
|-------------------|---|------------------------------------|
| Jan 10-15<br>2018 |   |                                    |
| 66                | Try as best he can to work with Democratic leaders to accomplish things, even if it means disappointing some groups of Republican supporters?<br>[OR] | 73                                 |
| 22                | Should he stand up to the Democrats on issues that are important to Republican supporters, even if it means less gets done in Washington?             | 22                                 |
| 12                | Don't know/Refused (VOL.)   | 5                                  |

**TREND FOR COMPARISON:***Next year should Barack Obama... [READ]*

|                                  | Try as best he can to work with Republican leaders to accomplish things, even if it means disappointing some groups of <u>Democratic supporters</u> | Stand up to Republicans on issues that are important to Democratic supporters, even if it means less gets <u>done in Washington</u> | (VOL.)<br>DK/Ref |
|----------------------------------|---|---|------------------|
| Nov 6-9, 2014                    | 62  | 30  | 8                |
| Nov 8-11, 2012 ( <i>Voters</i> ) | 72  | 21  | 7                |
| Jan 11-16, 2012 <sup>8</sup>     | 59  | 28  | 13               |
| Jan 5-9, 2011                    | 65  | 28  | 7                |
| Nov 4-7, 2010                    | 62  | 27  | 11               |

**QUESTIONS A2-A4, 45, 49-50, 53-56, J22, J29, A6-A8 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE****NO QUESTIONS A1, A5, 46-47, 51-52, J23-J28, 57-71**<sup>6</sup> In Jan 2011 and Jan 2012, the question began "This year..."<sup>7</sup> November 2008 question was rotated and figures are based only on those who received the question first in the rotation.<sup>8</sup> In Jan 2011 and Jan 2012, the question began "This year..."

**ASK ALL:**

Q.72 How much, if anything, have you read or heard about the investigation into Russian involvement in the 2016 election? **[READ]**

Jan 10-15

2018

55 A lot  
33 A little [OR]  
11 Nothing at all  
1 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.73 How confident, if at all, are you that the Justice Department special counsel Robert Mueller **[PRONOUNCED: "MULL-er"]** will conduct a fair investigation into Russian involvement in the 2016 election? **[READ]**

Jan 10-15

2018

27 Very confident  
29 Somewhat confident  
21 Not too confident  
16 Not at all confident  
8 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

Nov 29-Dec 4

2017

25  
30  
20  
16  
8

**NO QUESTIONS 74-79, 83-89****QUESTIONS 80-82, 90 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE****ASK ALL:**

PARTY In politics TODAY, do you consider yourself a Republican, Democrat, or independent?

**ASK IF INDEP/NO PREF/OTHER/DK/REF (PARTY=3,4,5,9):**

PARTYLN As of today do you lean more to the Republican Party or more to the Democratic Party?

|                      | <u>Republican</u> | <u>Democrat</u> | <u>Independent</u> | (VOL.)<br>No<br>preference | (VOL.)<br>Other<br>party | (VOL.)<br>DK/Ref | Lean<br><u>Rep</u> | Lean<br><u>Dem</u> |
|----------------------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Jan 10-15, 2018      | 26                | 33              | 34                 | 3                          | 1                        | 3                | 12                 | 18                 |
| Nov 29-Dec 4, 2017   | 20                | 32              | 40                 | 4                          | 1                        | 3                | 13                 | 19                 |
| Oct 25-30, 2017      | 22                | 32              | 41                 | 3                          | 1                        | 2                | 17                 | 19                 |
| Jun 8-Jul 9, 2017    | 25                | 31              | 39                 | 3                          | 1                        | 2                | 16                 | 18                 |
| Apr 5-11, 2017       | 24                | 31              | 42                 | 2                          | 1                        | *                | 17                 | 20                 |
| Feb 7-12, 2017       | 23                | 34              | 37                 | 3                          | 1                        | 2                | 15                 | 18                 |
| Jan 4-9, 2017        | 25                | 28              | 41                 | 4                          | *                        | 1                | 18                 | 19                 |
| <b>Yearly Totals</b> |                   |                 |                    |                            |                          |                  |                    |                    |
| 2017                 | 23.6              | 31.4            | 39.4               | 3.3                        | .6                       | 1.7              | 15.8               | 18.7               |
| 2016                 | 25.4              | 32.0            | 36.5               | 3.4                        | .5                       | 2.2              | 14.6               | 17.0               |
| 2015                 | 23.7              | 30.4            | 40.1               | 3.6                        | .4                       | 1.8              | 16.4               | 17.3               |
| 2014                 | 23.2              | 31.5            | 39.5               | 3.1                        | .7                       | 2.0              | 16.2               | 16.5               |
| 2013                 | 23.9              | 32.1            | 38.3               | 2.9                        | .5                       | 2.2              | 16.0               | 16.0               |
| 2012                 | 24.7              | 32.6            | 36.4               | 3.1                        | .5                       | 2.7              | 14.4               | 16.1               |
| 2011                 | 24.3              | 32.3            | 37.4               | 3.1                        | .4                       | 2.5              | 15.7               | 15.6               |
| 2010                 | 25.2              | 32.7            | 35.2               | 3.6                        | .4                       | 2.8              | 14.5               | 14.1               |
| 2009                 | 23.9              | 34.4            | 35.1               | 3.4                        | .4                       | 2.8              | 13.1               | 15.7               |
| 2008                 | 25.7              | 36.0            | 31.5               | 3.6                        | .3                       | 3.0              | 10.6               | 15.2               |
| 2007                 | 25.3              | 32.9            | 34.1               | 4.3                        | .4                       | 2.9              | 10.9               | 17.0               |
| 2006                 | 27.8              | 33.1            | 30.9               | 4.4                        | .3                       | 3.4              | 10.5               | 15.1               |
| 2005                 | 29.3              | 32.8            | 30.2               | 4.5                        | .3                       | 2.8              | 10.3               | 14.9               |
| 2004                 | 30.0              | 33.5            | 29.5               | 3.8                        | .4                       | 3.0              | 11.7               | 13.4               |
| 2003                 | 30.3              | 31.5            | 30.5               | 4.8                        | .5                       | 2.5              | 12.0               | 12.6               |

## PARTY/PARTYLN CONTINUED...

|                          |                   |                 |                    | (VOL.)     | (VOL.) | (VOL.) | Lean       | Lean       |
|--------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------|------------|--------|--------|------------|------------|
|                          | <u>Republican</u> | <u>Democrat</u> | <u>Independent</u> | No         | Other  | DK/Ref | <u>Rep</u> | <u>Dem</u> |
|                          |                   |                 |                    | preference | party  |        |            |            |
| 2002                     | 30.4              | 31.4            | 29.8               | 5.0        | .7     | 2.7    | 12.4       | 11.6       |
| 2001                     | 29.0              | 33.2            | 29.5               | 5.2        | .6     | 2.6    | 11.9       | 11.6       |
| 2001 <i>Post-Sept 11</i> | 30.9              | 31.8            | 27.9               | 5.2        | .6     | 3.6    | 11.7       | 9.4        |
| 2001 <i>Pre-Sept 11</i>  | 27.3              | 34.4            | 30.9               | 5.1        | .6     | 1.7    | 12.1       | 13.5       |
| 2000                     | 28.0              | 33.4            | 29.1               | 5.5        | .5     | 3.6    | 11.6       | 11.7       |
| 1999                     | 26.6              | 33.5            | 33.7               | 3.9        | .5     | 1.9    | 13.0       | 14.5       |
| 1998                     | 27.9              | 33.7            | 31.1               | 4.6        | .4     | 2.3    | 11.6       | 13.1       |
| 1997                     | 28.0              | 33.4            | 32.0               | 4.0        | .4     | 2.3    | 12.2       | 14.1       |
| 1996                     | 28.9              | 33.9            | 31.8               | 3.0        | .4     | 2.0    | 12.1       | 14.9       |
| 1995                     | 31.6              | 30.0            | 33.7               | 2.4        | .6     | 1.3    | 15.1       | 13.5       |
| 1994                     | 30.1              | 31.5            | 33.5               | 1.3        | --     | 3.6    | 13.7       | 12.2       |
| 1993                     | 27.4              | 33.6            | 34.2               | 4.4        | 1.5    | 2.9    | 11.5       | 14.9       |
| 1992                     | 27.6              | 33.7            | 34.7               | 1.5        | 0      | 2.5    | 12.6       | 16.5       |
| 1991                     | 30.9              | 31.4            | 33.2               | 0          | 1.4    | 3.0    | 14.7       | 10.8       |
| 1990                     | 30.9              | 33.2            | 29.3               | 1.2        | 1.9    | 3.4    | 12.4       | 11.3       |
| 1989                     | 33                | 33              | 34                 | --         | --     | --     | --         | --         |
| 1987                     | 26                | 35              | 39                 | --         | --     | --     | --         | --         |

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