

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

**QUESTIONS 1-2, 5-7, 11a, 12-16, 30, 39b-c, 40-44, 49-50 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED**

**NO QUESTIONS 3-4, 9-10, 11b, 17-27, 29, 31-38, A1, A5, 46-48, 51-52**

**QUESTIONS 8, 11c-e, 28, 39a, A2-A4, 45 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**

**ASK ALL:**

Next,

Q.53 Do you approve or disapprove of the tax law passed by Donald Trump and Congress last month?

**ASK IF APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE (Q.53=1,2):**

Q.53a Do you [approve/disapprove] very strongly, or not so strongly?

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37	Approve
26	Very strongly
10	Not so strongly
*	Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>
46	Disapprove
35	Very strongly
11	Not so strongly
1	Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>
17	Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>

**ASK ALL:**

Q.54 How well do you feel you understand how the tax law might affect you and your family? **[READ]**

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30	Very well
35	Somewhat well
18	Not too well
13	Not at all well
4	Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>

**ASK ALL:**

Q.55 Do you think the overall effect of the tax law on YOU AND YOUR FAMILY over the coming years will be mostly positive, mostly negative, or will it not affect you much either way?

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29	Mostly positive
27	Mostly negative
33	Not much of an effect
11	Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>

**ASK ALL:**

And ...

Q.56 Do you think the overall effect of the tax law on THE COUNTRY AS A WHOLE over the coming years will be mostly positive, mostly negative, or will it not affect the country much either way?

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35 Mostly positive  
 40 Mostly negative  
 15 Not much of an effect  
 9 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

**QUESTIONS 72-73, 80-82 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED****NO QUESTIONS J23-J28, 57-71, 74-79, 83-89****QUESTIONS J22, J29, A6-A8, 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?

				(VOL.)	(VOL.)	(VOL.)	Lean	Lean
	Republican	Democrat	Independent	No preference	Other party	DK/Ref	Rep	Dem
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
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 Post-Sept 11	30.9	31.8	27.9	5.2	.6	3.6	11.7	9.4
2001 Pre-Sept 11	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

## PARTY/PARTYLN CONTINUED...

	<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>	(VOL.) No preference	(VOL.) Other party	(VOL.) DK/Ref	Lean <u>Rep</u>	Lean <u>Dem</u>
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	--	--	--	--	--