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*= less than 0.5 percent


1. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as president? Do you feel that way strongly or somewhat?

|  | -------- Approve -------- | | | ------- Disapprove ------ | | | No |
|  | NET | Strongly | Somewhat | NET | Somewhat | Strongly | opinion |
| 9/21/17 | 39 | 26 | 13 | 57 | 9 | 48 | 4 |
| 8/20/17 | 37 | 22 | 15 | 58 | 13 | 45 | 5 |
| 7/13/17 | 36 | 25 | 11 | 58 | 10 | 48 | 6 |
| 4/20/17 | 42 | 27 | 15 | 53 | 10 | 43 | 5 |


2. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Trump is handling [ITEM]? Do you approve/disapprove strongly or somewhat?

9/21/17 – Summary Table

|  | -------- Approve -------- | | | ------- Disapprove ------ | | | No |
|  | NET | Strongly | Somewhat | NET | Somewhat | Strongly | op. |
| a. the economy | 43 | 27 | 16 | 49 | 13 | 36 | 8 |
| b. recent hurricanes in Texas and Florida | 56 | 35 | 21 | 31 | 11 | 20 | 13 |
| c. immigration | 35 | 24 | 11 | 62 | 11 | 51 | 3 |

Trend where available:

a. the economy

|  | -------- Approve -------- | | | ------- Disapprove ------ | | | No |
|  | NET | Strongly | Somewhat | NET | Somewhat | Strongly | opinion |
| 9/21/17 | 43 | 27 | 16 | 49 | 13 | 36 | 8 |
| 7/13/17 | 43 | 26 | 17 | 41 | 12 | 29 | 16 |

b. recent hurricanes in Texas and Florida

|  | -------- Approve -------- | | | ------- Disapprove ------ | | | No |
|  | NET | Strongly | Somewhat | NET | Somewhat | Strongly | opinion |
| 9/21/17 | 56 | 35 | 21 | 31 | 11 | 20 | 13 |

Compare to:
Do you approve or disapprove of the way Bush is handling the situation caused by Hurricane Katrina?

|  | -------- Approve -------- | | | ------- Disapprove ------ | | | No |
|  | NET | Strongly | Somewhat | NET | Somewhat | Strongly | opin. |
| 3/5/06 | 36 | NA | NA | 63 | NA | NA | 1 |
| 9/11/05* | 44 | 24 | 20 | 54 | 15 | 39 | 2 |
| 9/2/05 | 46 | 26 | 20 | 47 | 16 | 31 | 8 |

*9/11/05 and previous, "the way Bush is handling"

c. No trend.


3. What ONE WORD best describes your impression of Trump? Just the one word that best describes him.

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                                 9/21/17
Incompetent/Incompetence           4
Arrogant                           3
Strong                             3
Idiot/Idiotic                      2
Egocentric/Egomaniac/Egotistical   2
Ignorant                           2
Racist                             2
Unqualified                        2
Great/Greatest/Greatness           2
Narcissist/Narcissistic            2
Leader                             1
A--/A--hole                        1
Good/good leader/good president    1
Determined/Determination           1
Businessman/business               1
Honest/Honesty                     1
American                           1
Bully                              1
Patriot/Patriotic                  1
Bad                                1
Trying                             1
Disappointing/Disappointed         1
Unpredictable                      1
Awesome                            1
Liar                               1
Unique                             1
Bigot                              1
Unfit                              1
Intelligent                        1
Unexpected                         1
Okay                               1
Selfish                            1
Joke                               1
Buffoon                            1
Disgust/Disgusting                 1
Horrible                           1
Clown                              1
Change                             1
Immature                           1
Bold                               1
Other                             46
No opinion                         6
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4. Do you approve or disapprove of the way [ITEM] are doing their job? Do you
approve/disapprove strongly or somewhat?

9/21/17 - Summary Table

|  | ------- Approve ------ | | | ----- Disapprove ----- | | | No |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|  | NET | Strongly | Smwht | NET | Smwht | Strongly | op. |
| a. the Democrats in Congress | 35 | 12 | 22 | 57 | 25 | 32 | 9 |
| b. the Republicans in Congress | 22 | 4 | 18 | 69 | 25 | 45 | 8 |

Trend:

a. the Democrats in Congress

|  | -------- Approve -------- | | | ------ Disapprove ------- | | | No |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|  | NET | Strongly | Somewhat | NET | Somewhat | Strongly | opinion |
| 9/21/17 | 35 | 12 | 22 | 57 | 25 | 32 | 9 |

|  | ------- Approve -------- | | | ------ Disapprove ------- | | | No |
|  | NET | Strongly | Somewhat | NET | Somewhat | Strongly | opinion |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 10/18/15 | 35 | 12 | 23 | 59 | 19 | 39 | 6 |
| 3/29/15 | 38 | 11 | 26 | 57 | 24 | 33 | 5 |
| 10/19/14 | 30 | 9 | 21 | 67 | 27 | 40 | 3 |
| 9/7/14 | 33 | 12 | 21 | 61 | 22 | 39 | 6 |
| 1/12/14 | 34 | 11 | 23 | 60 | 19 | 40 | 6 |
| 12/15/13 | 34 | NA | NA | 64 | NA | NA | 2 |
| 3/10/13 | 34 |  |  | 62 |  |  | 4 |
| 1/13/13 | 37 |  |  | 59 |  |  | 3 |
| 12/16/12 | 39 |  |  | 56 |  |  | 5 |
| 3/10/12 | 34 |  |  | 60 |  |  | 6 |
| 1/15/12 | 33 |  |  | 62 |  |  | 5 |
| 12/18/11 | 27 |  |  | 66 |  |  | 7 |
| 4/17/11 | 36 |  |  | 60 |  |  | 4 |
| 10/3/10 | 36 |  |  | 61 |  |  | 3 |
| 7/18/09 | 47 |  |  | 48 |  |  | 5 |
| 4/24/09 | 45 |  |  | 49 |  |  | 6 |
| 2/22/09 | 50 |  |  | 44 |  |  | 6 |
| 7/13/08 | 35 |  |  | 57 |  |  | 8 |
| 2/1/08 | 39 |  |  | 54 |  |  | 7 |
| 12/9/07 | 40 |  |  | 53 |  |  | 6 |
| 11/1/07 | 36 |  |  | 58 |  |  | 6 |
| 9/30/07 | 38 |  |  | 57 |  |  | 5 |
| 7/21/07 | 46 |  |  | 51 |  |  | 2 |
| 6/1/07 | 44 |  |  | 49 |  |  | 6 |
| 4/15/07 | 54 |  |  | 44 |  |  | 2 |
| 10/8/06 | 48 |  |  | 50 |  |  | 3 |
| 5/15/06 | 39 |  |  | 58 |  |  | 4 |
| 11/2/05 | 41 |  |  | 54 |  |  | 5 |
| 6/5/05 | 42 |  |  | 56 |  |  | 3 |
| 6/6/99 | 51 |  |  | 42 |  |  | 7 |
| 3/14/99 | 51 |  |  | 42 |  |  | 7 |
| 7/8/97 | 45 |  |  | 49 |  |  | 6 |
| 4/5/95 | 36 |  |  | 60 |  |  | 4 |
| 10/31/94 | 39 |  |  | 53 |  |  | 8 |
| 10/23/94 | 36 |  |  | 59 |  |  | 5 |
| 9/11/94 | 41 | " | " | 53 | " | " | 6 |

b. the Republicans in Congress

|  | ------- Approve -------- | | | ------ Disapprove ------- | | | No |
|  | NET | Strongly | Somewhat | NET | Somewhat | Strongly | opinion |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 9/21/17 | 22 | 4 | 18 | 69 | 25 | 45 | 8 |
| 10/18/15 | 24 | 6 | 18 | 71 | 22 | 49 | 6 |
| 3/29/15 | 27 | 8 | 19 | 68 | 24 | 44 | 6 |
| 10/19/14 | 25 | 6 | 19 | 72 | 27 | 45 | 4 |
| 9/7/14 | 21 | 5 | 15 | 72 | 26 | 47 | 7 |
| 1/12/14 | 25 | 6 | 18 | 71 | 24 | 46 | 5 |
| 12/15/13 | 24 | NA | NA | 73 | NA | NA | 3 |
| 3/10/13 | 24 |  |  | 72 |  |  | 3 |
| 1/13/13 | 24 |  |  | 71 |  |  | 4 |
| 12/16/12 | 25 |  |  | 70 |  |  | 5 |
| 3/10/12 | 23 |  |  | 71 |  |  | 6 |
| 1/15/12 | 21 |  |  | 75 |  |  | 4 |
| 12/18/11 | 20 |  |  | 72 |  |  | 7 |
| 9/1/11 | 28 |  |  | 68 |  |  | 3 |
| 4/17/11 | 34 |  |  | 63 |  |  | 3 |
| 10/3/10 | 30 |  |  | 67 |  |  | 3 |
| 7/18/09 | 36 |  |  | 58 |  |  | 6 |
| 4/24/09 | 30 |  |  | 64 |  |  | 6 |
| 2/22/09 | 38 |  |  | 56 |  |  | 6 |
| 7/13/08 | 25 |  |  | 69 |  |  | 6 |
| 2/1/08 | 30 |  |  | 63 |  |  | 7 |
| 12/9/07 | 32 |  |  | 63 |  |  | 5 |

| Date | Approve | Disapprove | No opinion |
|---|---|---|---|
| 11/1/07 | 32 | 63 | 6 |
| 9/30/07 | 29 | 67 | 4 |
| 7/21/07 | 34 | 64 | 2 |
| 6/1/07 | 36 | 58 | 6 |
| 4/15/07 | 39 | 59 | 2 |
| 10/8/06 | 35 | 63 | 2 |
| 5/15/06 | 33 | 64 | 3 |
| 11/2/05 | 35 | 61 | 4 |
| 6/5/05 | 42 | 56 | 2 |
| 6/6/99 | 41 | 52 | 7 |
| 3/14/99 | 40 | 56 | 4 |
| 7/8/97 | 40 | 54 | 6 |
| 9/15/96 RV | 46 | 48 | 6 |
| 6/30/96 | 38 | 56 | 6 |
| 4/5/95 | 45 | 50 | 5 |
| 10/31/94 | 33 | 59 | 7 |
| 10/23/94 | 31 | 64 | 5 |
| 9/11/94 | 35 " " | 59 " " | 6 |

5. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Paul Ryan is handling his job as Speaker of the House of Representatives? Do you approve/disapprove strongly or somewhat?

| | -------- Approve -------- | | | ------- Disapprove ------ | | | No |
| | NET | Strongly | Somewhat | NET | Somewhat | Strongly | opinion |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 9/21/17 | 31 | 8 | 24 | 51 | 19 | 31 | 18 |

Compare to:

| | -------- Approve -------- | | | ------- Disapprove ------ | | | No |
| | NET | Strongly | Somewhat | NET | Somewhat | Strongly | opinion |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| John Boehner: | | | | | | | |
| 4/17/11 | 43 | 13 | 30 | 40 | 20 | 20 | 17 |
| 1/16/11 | 39 | 12 | 28 | 27 | 14 | 14 | 33 |
| | | | | | | | |
| Nancy Pelosi: | | | | | | | |
| 3/26/10 | 42 | 20 | 22 | 46 | 9 | 37 | 12 |
| 1/15/10 | 40 | 12 | 28 | 48 | 11 | 37 | 12 |
| 6/21/09 | 38 | NA | NA | 45 | NA | NA | 16 |
| 4/15/07 | 53 | | | 35 | | | 12 |
| 2/25/07 | 50 | | | 31 | | | 18 |
| 1/19/07 | 54 | | | 25 | | | 21 |
| | | | | | | | |
| Newt Gingrich: | | | | | | | |
| 11/7/98* | 38 | | | 58 | | | 4 |
| 7/12/98 | 41 | | | 44 | | | 15 |
| 5/12/98 | 41 | | | 44 | | | 15 |
| 1/19/98 | 40 | | | 52 | | | 7 |
| 4/24/97 | 26 | | | 62 | | | 12 |
| 3/9/97 | 33 | | | 61 | | | 7 |
| 9/15/96 RV | 39 | | | 54 | | | 7 |
| 1/7/96 | 30 | | | 61 | | | 8 |
| 11/19/95 | 27 | | | 65 | | | 8 |
| 6/8/95 | 35 | | | 50 | | | 15 |
| 3/19/95 | 37 | | | 48 | | | 15 |
| 3/5/95 | 38 | | | 51 | | | 11 |
| 1/29/95 | 40 | | | 48 | | | 12 |
| 1/4/95 | 35 | | | 37 | | | 28 |
| 12/20/94** | 35 | " | " | 43 | " | " | 22 |

* "has handled"
** "as incoming speaker"

6. Do you think Trump has brought needed change to Washington, or not?

| | Yes | No | No opinion |
|---|---|---|---|
| 9/21/17 | 39 | 59 | 2 |

Compare to:

| | Yes | No | No opinion |
|---|---|---|---|
| Obama: | | | |
| 9/2/10 | 44 | 53 | 2 |
| 3/26/10 | 54 | 44 | 1 |
| 1/15/10 | 50 | 49 | 1 |
| 7/18/09 | 62 | 35 | 3 |
| 4/24/09 | 63 | 34 | 2 |
| 1/16/09* | 76 | 22 | 3 |

*"will bring"


7. Overall do you think Trump has done more to (unite the country), or has done more to (divide the country)?

| | Unite | Divide | No opinion |
|---|---|---|---|
| 9/21/17 | 28 | 66 | 6 |
| 11/14/16* | 44 | 49 | 6 |

*Washington Post-Schar School; "will do"

Compare to:
Overall do you think [ITEM] has done more to (unite the country), or has done more to (divide the country)?

| | Unite | Divide | No opinion |
|---|---|---|---|
| Obama: | | | |
| 11/14/16* | 50 | 43 | 7 |
| 9/7/14 | 38 | 55 | 7 |
| 5/19/13 | 47 | 45 | 8 |
| | | | |
| Bush: | | | |
| 6/5/05 | 43 | 55 | 2 |
| 9/8/04 RV | 48 | 44 | 8 |
| 8/29/04 RV | 47 | 48 | 5 |
| 4/18/04 | 50 | 48 | 2 |
| 3/7/04 | 48 | 49 | 3 |
| 12/21/03 | 58 | 36 | 6 |

*Washington Post-Schar School


8. Do you think Trump is doing too (much), too (little), or about the right amount to compromise with the Democratic leaders in Congress on important issues?

| | Too much | Too little | About the right amount | No opinion |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 9/21/17 | 8 | 56 | 30 | 5 |

Compare to:
Do you think Obama is doing too (much), too (little) or about the right amount to compromise with the Republican leaders in Congress on important issues?

| | Too much | Too little | About the right amount | No opinion |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1/13/13 | 10 | 48 | 38 | 5 |
| 4/17/11 | 12 | 48 | 38 | 2 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 12/12/10 | 11 | 40 | 45 | 4 |
| 2/8/10 | 9 | 44 | 45 | 2 |

9. Do you think the Democratic leaders in Congress are doing too (much), too (little), or about the right amount to compromise with Trump on important issues?

| | Too much | Too little | About the right amount | No opinion |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 9/21/17 | 8 | 60 | 26 | 6 |

Compare to:
Do you think the Republican leaders in Congress are doing too (much), too (little) or about the right amount to compromise with Obama on important issues?

| | Too much | Too little | About the right amount | No opinion |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1/13/13 | 10 | 67 | 17 | 5 |
| 12/12/10 | 8 | 54 | 32 | 7 |
| 2/8/10 | 8 | 58 | 30 | 4 |

10. How would you rate the federal government's overall response to the situation caused by the recent hurricanes in Texas and Florida: excellent, good, not so good, or poor?

| | --- Excellent/good --- | | | --- Not so good/poor --- | | | No |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | NET | Excellent | Good | NET | Not so good | Poor | opinion |
| 9/21/17 | 70 | 19 | 52 | 24 | 17 | 8 | 5 |
| 10/31/12* LV | 78 | 27 | 51 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 16 |
| 9/11/05** | 38 | 5 | 32 | 62 | 28 | 34 | * |
| 9/2/05*** | 48 | 11 | 37 | 51 | 23 | 28 | 1 |

*"hurricane that hit the east coast this week"
**"caused by Hurricane Katrina"
***"caused by the hurricane and flooding"

11. Do you think the severity of recent hurricanes is most likely (the result of global climate change), or is it (just the kind of severe weather events that happen from time to time)?

| | Climate change | Just happens | No opinion |
|---|---|---|---|
| 9/21/17 | 55 | 41 | 5 |
| 8/20/06* | 45 | 49 | 5 |
| 9/27/05 | 39 | 54 | 7 |
| 9/7/05** | 25 | 66 | 9 |

*"like Katrina"
**Pew Research Center "Hurricane Katrina"

12. Do you support or oppose the agreement by Trump and congressional Democrats to both fund disaster relief and raise the limit on the national debt? Do you feel that way strongly or somewhat?

| | -------- Support -------- | | | -------- Oppose --------- | | | No |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | NET | Strongly | Somewhat | NET | Somewhat | Strongly | opinion |
| 9/21/17 | 65 | 29 | 36 | 23 | 12 | 11 | 12 |

On another topic,
13. Do you think North Korea does or does not pose a threat to the United States? (IF DOES POSE THREAT) Would you say it's a serious threat, or not serious?

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        --- Does pose threat --
                        Not      Does not       No
           NET  Serious serious pose threat   opinion
9/21/17    84     70     13         14           3
7/13/17    81     66     14         15           4
3/13/05    74     54     20         23           3
4/16/03    79     55     24         18           3
```

14. How much do you trust [ITEM] to act responsibly in handling the situation involving North Korea: a great deal, a good amount, just some, or not at all?

9/21/17 – Summary Table

|  | ---- Trust more ---- | | | ---- Trust less --- | | | No |
|  | NET | Great deal | Good amount | NET | Just some | Not at all | No opinion |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| a. Donald Trump | 37 | 23 | 14 | 62 | 20 | 42 | 1 |
| b. North Korean leader Kim Jong Un | 8 | 4 | 3 | 89 | 13 | 76 | 3 |
| c. U.S. military leaders | 72 | 43 | 29 | 27 | 20 | 7 | 2 |

Trend:

a. Donald Trump

Compare to:
How much do you trust Trump to handle the situation involving North Korea? Do you trust him a great deal, a good amount, just some or not at all in terms of handling this situation?

|  | ---- Trust more ---- | | | ---- Trust less --- | | | No |
|  | NET | Great deal | Good amount | NET | Just some | Not at all | No opinion |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 7/13/17 | 36 | 22 | 14 | 63 | 22 | 40 | 1 |

b-c. No trend.

15. To try to get North Korea to give up its nuclear weapons, would you support or oppose the U.S. [ITEM]?

9/21/17 – Summary Table

|  | Support | Oppose | No opinion |
|---|---|---|---|
| a. offering North Korea financial incentives such as aid money, or more trade | 32 | 61 | 6 |
| b. placing tougher economic sanctions on North Korea | 76 | 19 | 5 |
| c. bombing North Korean military targets | 39 | 54 | 7 |
| d. agreeing to stop conducting U.S. military exercises with South Korea | 43 | 47 | 9 |

*Half sample asked items a-b, other half asked c-d.

Trend:

a. offering North Korea financial incentives such as aid money, or more trade

|  | Support | Oppose | No opinion |
|---|---|---|---|
| 9/21/17 | 32 | 61 | 6 |
| 3/13/05 | 51 | 47 | 2 |

b. No trend

c. bombing North Korean military targets

|         | Support | Oppose | No opinion |
|---------|---------|--------|------------|
| 9/21/17 | 39      | 54     | 7          |
| 3/13/05 | 20      | 77     | 3          |

d. No trend


16. In general, should the U.S. (launch a military strike on North Korea first, before it can attack America or U.S. allies) or should the U.S. (only attack North Korea if it attacks America or U.S. allies)?

|         | U.S. should strike first | U.S. should only attack if North Korea attacks | No opinion |
|---------|--------------------------|------------------------------------------------|------------|
| 9/21/17 | 23                       | 67                                             | 10         |


17. If the U.S. launched a military strike on North Korea first, do you think it would or would not risk starting a larger war in East Asia? (IF RISK) Do you think that would be a major risk; or a risk, but not major?

|         | -------- Risk --------- | | | Not a risk | No opinion |
|---------|-----|-------|-----------|------------|------------|
|         | NET | Major | Not major | a risk     | opinion    |
| 9/21/17 | 82  | 69    | 13        | 13         | 5          |


18. On another subject, given what you've heard or read about it, do you support or oppose Trump's tax plan? Do you feel that way strongly or somewhat?

|         | -------- Support -------- | | | -------- Oppose --------- | | | No opinion |
|---------|-----|----------|----------|-----|----------|----------|---------|
|         | NET | Strongly | Somewhat | NET | Somewhat | Strongly | opinion |
| 9/21/17 | 28  | 15       | 14       | 44  | 11       | 32       | 28      |


19. Do you think the current U.S. tax system favors the (middle class), favors the (wealthy), or treats both groups about equally? Do you think it favors the middle class/wealthy strongly or somewhat?

|         | -- Favors middle class -- | | | ---- Favors wealthy ----- | | | Treats both equally | No opin. |
|---------|-----|----------|----------|-----|----------|----------|----------|-------|
|         | NET | Strongly | Somewhat | NET | Somewhat | Strongly | equally  | opin. |
| 9/21/17 | 5   | 3        | 2        | 73  | 18       | 55       | 17       | 5     |
| 2/4/12  | 9   | 5        | 4        | 68  | 12       | 56       | 19       | 4     |


20. How about Trump's tax plan? Do you think it mainly will reduce taxes more for the (middle class), mainly reduce taxes more for the (wealthy), or treat both groups about equally?

|         | Reduce taxes on the middle class | Reduce taxes on the wealthy | Treat both equally | No opinion |
|---------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|------------|
| 9/21/17 | 10                               | 51                          | 24                 | 15         |


21. Overall, do you think large business corporations pay their fair share in taxes, pay too (little), or pay too (much)?

|         | Pay fair share | Pay too little | Pay too much | No opinion |
|---------|----------------|----------------|--------------|------------|
| 9/21/17 | 17             | 65             | 11           | 7          |
| 1/15/15 | 19             | 65             | 9            | 7          |

22. Do you support or oppose reducing income taxes paid by [ITEM]? How about income taxes paid by [NEXT ITEM]?

9/21/17 - Summary Table

|  | Support | Oppose | No opinion |
|---|---|---|---|
| a. businesses | 45 | 48 | 7 |
| b. middle and lower-income people | 78 | 19 | 3 |
| c. higher-income people | 33 | 62 | 5 |

Trend:

a. businesses

|  | Support | Oppose | No opinion |
|---|---|---|---|
| 9/21/17 | 45 | 48 | 7 |
| 1/15/17 | 48 | 45 | 7 |

b. middle and lower-income people

|  | Support | Oppose | No opinion |
|---|---|---|---|
| 9/21/17 | 78 | 19 | 3 |
| 1/15/17 | 75 | 22 | 3 |

c. higher-income people

|  | Support | Oppose | No opinion |
|---|---|---|---|
| 9/21/17 | 33 | 62 | 5 |
| 1/15/17 | 36 | 61 | 3 |

23. Do you support or oppose a program that allows undocumented immigrants to stay in the United States if they arrived here as a child, completed high school or military service and have not been convicted of a serious crime? Do you feel that way strongly or somewhat?

|  | -------- Support -------- | | | -------- Oppose --------- | | | No |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|  | NET | Strongly | Somewhat | NET | Somewhat | Strongly | opinion |
| 9/21/17 | 86 | 69 | 18 | 11 | 3 | 9 | 2 |

23a. Would you support or oppose a law that combined this proposal for undocumented immigrants with increased funding for border security programs?

|  | Support | Oppose | No opinion |
|---|---|---|---|
| 9/21/17 | 65 | 27 | 8 |

24. Do you support or oppose [ITEM]? Do you feel that way strongly or somewhat?

9/21/17 – Summary Table

|  | ----- Support ------ | | | ------ Oppose ------ | | | No |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|  | NET | Strong | Smwht | NET | Smwht | Strong | opin. |
| a. requiring employers to verify that all new hires are living in the U.S. legally | 79 | 61 | 18 | 19 | 9 | 10 | 2 |
| b. building a wall along the U.S. border with Mexico | 37 | 27 | 10 | 62 | 9 | 53 | 1 |
| c. reducing the number of legal immigrants allowed into the U.S. by half | 39 | 24 | 15 | 55 | 19 | 36 | 6 |

Trend:

a. requiring employers to verify that all new hires are living in the U.S. legally

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        -------- Support --------   -------- Oppose ---------     No
        NET   Strongly  Somewhat    NET   Somewhat  Strongly   opinion
9/21/17 79      61        18        19       9         10         2
```

Compare to:
Would you support or oppose each of the following items. First is, requiring all
businesses to check on the immigration status of potential employees

```
        -------- Support --------   -------- Oppose ---------     No
        NET   Strongly  Somewhat    NET   Somewhat  Strongly   opinion
4/14/13 83      66        17        15       6         9          2
```

b. building a wall along the U.S. border with Mexico

```
        -------- Support --------   -------- Oppose ---------     No
        NET   Strongly  Somewhat    NET   Somewhat  Strongly   opinion
9/21/17 37      27        10        62       9         53         1
1/15/17 37      25        12        60       13        47         3
9/8/16* 34      24        10        63       11        52         3
```
*Do you support or oppose building a wall across the entire U.S. border with Mexico?
Do you feel that way strongly or somewhat?

c. No trend.


25. Before Trump became president, do you think the U.S. was (too tough) in enforcing
immigration laws, (not tough enough) or was enforcement about right?

```
         Too    Not tough   About     No
        tough    enough     right   opinion
9/21/17   6        49        44        1
```


26. How about now, under Trump, do you think the U.S. is (too tough) in enforcing
immigration laws, (not tough enough) or is enforcement about right?

```
         Too    Not tough   About     No
        tough    enough     right   opinion
9/21/17  45        22        30        4
```


27. Is it your impression that undocumented immigrants commit (more violent crimes)
than other people in this country, (fewer violent crimes), or about the same amount?

```
         Commit more     Commit fewer     About the       No
        violent crimes  violent crimes   same amount    opinion
9/21/17      12              19               64            5
```


28. There's a new Republican proposal to replace the current federal health care law,
known as Obamacare. It would (end the national requirement for nearly all Americans to
have health insurance), (phase out the use of federal funds to help lower and
moderate-income people buy health insurance), and (let states replace federal rules on
health care coverage with their own rules). What do you prefer: the current federal
health care law, or this Republican plan to replace it?

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         ---- Current law ----   -- Republican plan --   Something   Neither   No
         NET   Strngly   Smwht    NET   Smwht   Strngly   else (vol.)  (vol.)   op.
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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 9/21/17 | 56 | 42 | 14 | 33 | 11 | 22 | 1 | 5 | 5 |

Compare to:
What do you prefer: the current federal health care law, known as Obamacare, or the Republican plan to replace it? Do you feel that way strongly or somewhat?

| | ---- Current law ---- | | | -- Republican plan -- | | | Something | Neither | No |
| | NET | Strngly | Smwht | NET | Smwht | Strngly | else (vol.) | (vol.) | op. |
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| 7/13/17 | 50 | 37 | 13 | 24 | 7 | 17 | 4 | 13 | 9 |

Party ID. Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as (a Democrat), (a Republican), an independent or what?

| | Democrat | Republican | Independent | Other (vol.) | No opinion |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 9/21/17 | 31 | 23 | 36 | 6 | 3 |
| 7/13/17 | 35 | 23 | 35 | 6 | 2 |
| 4/20/17 | 31 | 24 | 36 | 6 | 4 |
| 1/15/17 | 31 | 23 | 37 | 5 | 4 |
| 10/13/16 | 33 | 25 | 33 | 5 | 4 |
| 9/22/16 | 33 | 23 | 36 | 6 | 3 |
| 9/8/16 | 34 | 24 | 33 | 5 | 3 |

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METHODOLOGICAL DETAILS

This poll was jointly sponsored and funded by The Washington Post and ABC News. The poll is a random sample of adults in the United States, with interviews in English and Spanish.

This questionnaire was administered with the exact questions in the exact order as they appear in this document. Demographic questions are not shown. If a question was asked of a reduced base of the sample, a parenthetical preceding the question identifies the group asked. Phrases surrounded by parentheticals within questions indicate clauses that were randomly rotated for respondents.

A dual frame landline and cell phone telephone sample was generated using Random Digit Dialing procedures by Survey Sampling International (SSI). Interviewers called landlines and cellular phone numbers, first requesting to speak with the youngest adult male or female at home. The final sample included 351 interviews completed on landlines and 651 interviews completed via cellular phones, including 405 interviews with adults in cell phone-only households.

This survey uses statistical weighting procedures to account for deviations in the survey sample from known population characteristics, which helps correct for differential survey participation and random variation in samples. The overall adult sample is weighted to correct for differential probabilities of selection among individuals who are landline-only, cell phone-only or dual users. Results are also weighted match the demographic makeup of the population by sex, region, age, education and race/ethnicity according to the latest Current Population Survey Social and Economic Supplement. The sample is also weighted to match the average of party identification in the previous three waves of Post-ABC surveys and the current survey.

All error margins have been adjusted to account for the survey's design effect, which is 1.2 for this survey. The design effect is a factor representing the survey's deviation from a simple random sample, and takes into account decreases in precision due to sample design and weighting procedures. Surveys that do not incorporate a design effect overstate their precision.

Unweighted

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Group                    sample size   Error margin
All adults                  1,002       +/- 3.5 points
Half sample               484-518       5
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