

		National Adults		
		In general, thinking about the way things are going in the country, do you feel things are going in the right direction or that things are going in the wrong direction?		
		Right direction	Wrong direction	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
National Adults		40%	55%	5%
National Registered Voters		39%	56%	4%
Party Identification^	Democrat	70%	24%	6%
	Republican	9%	90%	1%
	Independent	35%	60%	5%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	78%	16%	5%
	Soft Democrats	63%	30%	7%
	Just Independents	23%	70%	7%
	Soft Republicans	13%	85%	2%
	Strong Republicans	5%	95%	0%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	69%	26%	6%
	Moderate	47%	48%	4%
	Conservative-Very conservative	17%	80%	2%
Region	Northeast	45%	50%	5%
	Midwest	39%	54%	7%
	South	38%	58%	3%
	West	40%	55%	5%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	41%	53%	5%
	\$50,000 or more	40%	56%	3%
Education	Not college graduate	39%	55%	6%
	College graduate	42%	55%	3%
Race	White	32%	65%	4%
	African American	76%	20%	4%
	Latino	50%	43%	7%
Age	18 to 29	49%	42%	8%
	30 to 44	34%	62%	4%
	45 to 59	42%	55%	3%
	60 or older	39%	58%	4%
Age	Under 45	41%	53%	6%
	45 or older	40%	56%	3%
Gender	Men	38%	57%	5%
	Women	42%	53%	5%
Marital Status	Married	35%	61%	4%
	Not married	47%	48%	5%
Interview Type	Landline	38%	58%	4%
	Cell Phone	45%	47%	8%

McClatchy-Marist Poll National Adults. Interviews conducted December 4th through December 6th, N=1246 MOE +/- 2.8 percentage points.

^National Registered Voters: N=1091 MOE +/- 3.0 percentage points. Totals may not add to 100% due to rounding.

\*Soft Democrats include registered voters who identify as "not strong Democrats" or Democratic leaning independents. Soft Republicans include those registered voters who identify as "not strong Republicans" or Republican leaning independents.