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McClatchy-Marist Poll\*

**Majority Considers Ukraine in U.S. Interest,  
But Most Oppose Use of Force**

\*\*\* Complete Tables for Poll Appended \*\*\*

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**This McClatchy-Marist Poll Reports:**

A majority of Americans -- 55% -- considers Ukraine to be key to the national interest. This includes 13% who say it is very important and 42% who consider it to be important. 39%, however, report it is either not very important -- 30% -- or not important at all -- 9% -- to the United States. Six percent are unsure.

“There is a good deal of ambivalence about Ukraine as far as U.S. public opinion is concerned,” says Dr. Lee M. Miringoff, Director of The Marist College Institute for Public Opinion. “Americans think it’s important to the national interest, and Russia may expand the conflict. But, there is little public consensus in the U.S. to take a tough stand.”

Regardless of political party, a majority thinks Ukraine is of consequence to America’s interests. Republicans, however, are the most likely to feel this way. 61% of Republicans say Ukraine is either very important or important to the United States. This compares with 52% of Democrats and 53% of independent voters who have the same opinion.

There are gender differences on this question. Six in ten women -- 60% -- say the region is of value to the United States. 48% of men say the same.

However, when it comes to whether or not the United States should draw a hard line against Russia because of Ukraine, half of residents -- 50% -- do not think the United States should take such a firm stance because it could mean losing Russia’s cooperation on other issues like Iran and Syria. 42% disagree and report America should take a tough stand against Russia. Eight percent are unsure.

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What, if anything, should the United States do to address the situation in Ukraine? Only 7% of Americans think military options should be considered. 46% say the best way to deal with the crisis in Ukraine is through economic and political means, and 43% think the United States should not get involved at all. Four percent are unsure.

A majority of Republicans -- 54% -- wants America to handle the situation diplomatically. A plurality of Democrats -- 47% -- says the United States should stay out of the situation entirely while 43% believe the best options are political and economic. Nearly half of independent voters -- 48% -- say America should address the situation through non-military measures.

### **About Two-Thirds Say Russia will Send Troops Beyond Crimea...Divide about Possibility of New Cold War**

66% of Americans think Russia will not stop at Crimea and will deploy troops to other parts of Ukraine. One in four -- 25% -- thinks Russia will keep its word and will stop at Crimea. Nine percent are unsure.

Do residents think the situation in Ukraine will lead to another cold war between the United States and Russia? Americans divide. 49% report it is either not very likely -- 37% -- or not likely at all -- 12% -- that this will occur. 46%, however, think a second cold war is either very likely -- 13% -- or likely -- 33%.

Republicans are more likely than Democrats to think another cold war is looming. A majority of Republicans -- 54% -- says a cold war is very likely or likely to take place. This compares with 41% of Democrats and 45% of independent voters who share this view.

### **Obama's Handling of Ukraine Crisis Receives Mixed Reviews**

45% of Americans approve of how President Barack Obama is dealing with the situation in Ukraine. 45% disapprove, and 10% are unsure.

There is a partisan divide. 72% of Republicans are dissatisfied with how the president is addressing the situation in Ukraine while 69% of Democrats approve. Still, 21% of Democrats disapprove of the way Mr. Obama is handling the conflict. Independents divide. 46% of these voters think the president is dealing with the situation appropriately while 47% disapprove of his approach.

### **Majority Still Disapproves of Obama's Performance as President**

When it comes to the overall job performance of President Obama, a majority of registered voters nationally -- 52% -- disapproves of how the president is doing. 45% approve, and 3% are unsure. These views are similar to those in McClatchy-Marist's previous survey. In

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February, 52% of voters thought the president's job performance was lacking. 42% gave him high marks, and 5% were unsure.

When it comes to how President Obama is handling the economy, a majority of voters -- 54% -- disapprove. 44% approve, and 2% are unsure. Last time, 54% thought Mr. Obama fell short on the economy while 41% gave him a thumbs-up. Five percent were unsure.

In the foreign policy arena, 52% of voters disapprove of how the president is doing. 42% approve, and 6% are unsure. Two months ago, 50% disapproved of how President Obama was handling foreign policy. 43% approved, and 8%, then, were unsure.

Looking at President Obama's image, voters divide. 49% have a favorable opinion of him while 49% have an unfavorable view of him. Two percent are unsure how to rate him. In February, 47% thought well of the president while half -- 50% -- had a lesser view of him. Three percent were unsure how to rate him.

### **Fight for Congress: Dem's Edge GOP in Generic Midterm Matchup**

If November's election for Congress were held today, the Democrats would have an edge over the Republicans as far as the total national vote is concerned. Nearly half of registered voters nationally -- 48% -- would support the Democrat on the ballot in their district while 42% would back the Republican candidate. Four percent would vote for neither, and 6% are undecided.

When McClatchy-Marist last reported this question in February, voters divided. 46% favored the Democrat while 44% were for the Republican. Four percent reported they would not vote for either candidate, and 5% were undecided.

Not surprisingly, there is a partisan divide. Most Democrats -- 90% -- favor the Democratic candidate while most Republicans -- 94% -- support the Republican. Among independent voters, 43% are for the Democrat while 40% are for the Republican.

Neither the Democrats nor the Republicans in Congress are held in high regard by voters. Only 32% of registered voters approve of how the congressional Democrats are doing in office. 63% disapprove, and 5% are unsure. In February, 33% of voters were satisfied with how the Democrats were performing in Congress. 60% disapproved, and 7% were unsure.

Looking at congressional Republicans, 26% of voters approve of their job performance while 69% disapprove. Five percent are unsure. In the February McClatchy-Marist Poll, 22% approved of how the congressional GOP did their job. 72% disapproved, and 6% were unsure.

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## **Nearly Two-Thirds Pessimistic about the Direction of the Nation**

64% of adults think the country is moving in the wrong direction. 32% believe it is on the right path, and 3% are unsure. There has been virtually little change from McClatchy-Marist's previous survey. In February, 64% of residents reported the nation was on the wrong road. 33% said it was on the right track, and 3% were unsure.

## How the Survey was Conducted

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### **Nature of the Sample: McClatchy-Marist National Poll of 1,212 Adults**

This survey of 1,212 adults was conducted April 7<sup>th</sup> through April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014 by The Marist Poll sponsored in partnership with the McClatchy News Service. Adults 18 years of age and older residing in the continental United States were interviewed by telephone using live interviewers. Landline telephone numbers were randomly selected based upon a list of telephone exchanges from throughout the nation from ASDE Survey Sampler, Inc. The exchanges were selected to ensure that each region was represented in proportion to its population. To increase coverage, this landline sample was supplemented by respondents reached through random dialing of cell phone numbers from Survey Sampling International. The two samples were then combined and balanced to reflect the 2010 Census results for age, gender, income, race, and region. Respondents in the household were selected by asking for the youngest male. Results are statistically significant within  $\pm 2.8$  percentage points. There are 1,036 registered voters. The results for this subset are statistically significant within  $\pm 3.0$  percentage points. The error margin increases for cross-tabulations.

**Nature of the Sample**

		National Adults	National Registered Voters	
		Col %	Col %	
National Adults		100%		
National Registered Voters		86%	100%	
Party Identification	Democrat	n/a	32%	
	Republican	n/a	26%	
	Independent	n/a	41%	
	Other	n/a	1%	
Party Identification	Strong Democrats	n/a	19%	
	Not strong Democrats	n/a	13%	
	Democratic leaning independents	n/a	17%	
	Just Independents	n/a	8%	
	Republican leaning independents	n/a	15%	
	Not strong Republicans	n/a	11%	
	Strong Republicans	n/a	15%	
	Other	n/a	1%	
	Political Ideology	Very liberal	n/a	5%
		Liberal	n/a	21%
Moderate		n/a	35%	
Conservative		n/a	29%	
Very conservative		n/a	10%	
Tea Party Supporters		n/a	29%	
Gender	Men	49%	47%	
	Women	51%	53%	
Age	Under 45	45%	39%	
	45 or older	55%	61%	
Age	18 to 29	23%	18%	
	30 to 44	22%	22%	
	45 to 59	29%	31%	
	60 or older	27%	30%	
Race	White	67%	69%	
	African American	11%	12%	
	Latino	14%	13%	
	Other	7%	6%	
Region	Northeast	18%	18%	
	Midwest	22%	23%	
	South	37%	38%	
	West	23%	22%	
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	50%	48%	
	\$50,000 or more	50%	52%	
Education	Not college graduate	63%	61%	
	College graduate	37%	39%	
Marital Status	Married	48%	51%	
	Not married	52%	49%	
Interview Type	Landline	59%	63%	
	Cell phone	41%	37%	

McClatchy-Marist Poll National Adults. Interviews conducted April 7th through April 10th, 2014, n=1212 MOE +/- 2.8 percentage points. National Registered Voters: n=1036 MOE +/- 3.0 percentage points. Totals may not add to 100% due to rounding.

McClatchy-Marist Poll National Tables

		National Adults				
		How important is Ukraine to the national interest of the United States:				
		Very important	Important	Not very important	Not important at all	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
National Adults		13%	42%	30%	9%	6%
National Registered Voters		13%	42%	31%	8%	6%
Party Identification^	Democrat	16%	36%	32%	8%	8%
	Republican	13%	48%	25%	8%	6%
	Independent	9%	44%	34%	8%	4%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	19%	34%	32%	7%	7%
	Soft Democrats	10%	41%	35%	9%	5%
	Just Independents	13%	44%	23%	12%	8%
	Soft Republicans	11%	43%	34%	6%	5%
	Strong Republicans	13%	52%	20%	9%	5%
Tea Party Supporters^		18%	46%	25%	8%	3%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	10%	41%	37%	9%	3%
	Moderate	11%	38%	38%	7%	6%
	Conservative-Very conservative	16%	46%	23%	8%	7%
Region	Northeast	9%	47%	33%	8%	3%
	Midwest	13%	40%	35%	9%	4%
	South	13%	41%	28%	11%	8%
	West	16%	41%	28%	6%	9%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	14%	38%	30%	10%	7%
	\$50,000 or more	10%	46%	32%	8%	4%
Education	Not college graduate	14%	42%	29%	8%	7%
	College graduate	10%	44%	32%	10%	4%
Race	White	10%	43%	33%	9%	5%
	Non-white	19%	40%	26%	8%	8%
Age	18 to 29	14%	44%	29%	5%	8%
	30 to 44	9%	40%	36%	9%	6%
	45 to 59	11%	41%	33%	9%	5%
	60 or older	16%	42%	24%	12%	6%
	Age	Under 45	12%	42%	32%	7%
Gender	45 or older	14%	42%	29%	10%	6%
	Men	14%	34%	35%	11%	5%
Marital Status	Women	11%	49%	25%	6%	8%
	Married	11%	41%	33%	8%	6%
Interview Type	Not married	14%	43%	28%	9%	6%
	Landline	11%	43%	29%	10%	6%
	Cell phone	15%	41%	31%	7%	6%

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		National Adults		
		Russia has sent troops into the Crimea region of the bordering but independent country of Ukraine in response to a new Ukrainian government. From what you have seen or heard, which comes closer to your view:		
		The U.S. should not draw a hard line against Russia in Ukraine because it could mean losing Russia's cooperation on other issues like Iran and Syria	The U.S. should draw a hard line against Russia in Ukraine regardless of other international issues with Russia	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
National Adults		50%	42%	8%
National Registered Voters		50%	42%	8%
Party Identification^	Democrat	49%	39%	12%
	Republican	43%	51%	6%
	Independent	56%	38%	6%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	47%	39%	14%
	Soft Democrats	61%	33%	6%
	Just Independents	55%	31%	13%
	Soft Republicans	44%	51%	5%
	Strong Republicans	41%	52%	8%
Tea Party Supporters^		45%	48%	7%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	60%	33%	7%
	Moderate	55%	39%	7%
	Conservative-Very conservative	42%	50%	8%
Region	Northeast	52%	43%	5%
	Midwest	54%	40%	6%
	South	50%	42%	8%
	West	47%	41%	12%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	52%	39%	9%
	\$50,000 or more	53%	42%	5%
Education	Not college graduate	52%	39%	9%
	College graduate	49%	46%	5%
Race	White	50%	44%	6%
	Non-white	52%	37%	11%
Age	18 to 29	54%	38%	7%
	30 to 44	58%	37%	5%
	45 to 59	50%	40%	9%
	60 or older	41%	51%	8%
Age	Under 45	56%	38%	6%
	45 or older	46%	45%	9%
Gender	Men	51%	44%	5%
	Women	50%	39%	11%
Marital Status	Married	50%	44%	6%
	Not married	52%	39%	8%
Interview Type	Landline	48%	43%	9%
	Cell phone	54%	40%	6%

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		National Adults			
		Do you think the United States should:			
		Consider military options against Russia	Consider only economic and political options	Not get involved in the situation	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
National Adults		7%	46%	43%	4%
National Registered Voters		7%	48%	42%	3%
Party Identification^	Democrat	6%	43%	47%	4%
	Republican	10%	54%	32%	4%
	Independent	6%	48%	43%	2%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	7%	43%	43%	6%
	Soft Democrats	3%	48%	48%	1%
	Just Independents	3%	38%	55%	4%
	Soft Republicans	10%	50%	36%	3%
	Strong Republicans	14%	54%	27%	5%
Tea Party Supporters^		12%	43%	41%	4%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	4%	50%	44%	2%
	Moderate	5%	50%	43%	2%
	Conservative-Very conservative	11%	46%	37%	6%
Region	Northeast	7%	53%	36%	4%
	Midwest	8%	43%	46%	3%
	South	7%	40%	49%	4%
	West	6%	53%	37%	4%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	7%	37%	52%	3%
	\$50,000 or more	7%	56%	34%	2%
Education	Not college graduate	7%	36%	53%	5%
	College graduate	7%	63%	28%	2%
Race	White	8%	51%	39%	3%
	Non-white	6%	35%	53%	5%
Age	18 to 29	6%	41%	48%	5%
	30 to 44	7%	45%	45%	3%
	45 to 59	10%	44%	42%	4%
	60 or older	6%	54%	38%	2%
Age	Under 45	6%	43%	47%	4%
	45 or older	8%	49%	40%	3%
Gender	Men	8%	48%	40%	3%
	Women	6%	44%	46%	4%
Marital Status	Married	7%	54%	35%	4%
	Not married	7%	39%	51%	4%
Interview Type	Landline	8%	48%	41%	3%
	Cell phone	6%	43%	46%	4%

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		National Adults		
		Russia has stated it is only interested in Ukraine's Crimea region and will not send troops into the rest of Ukraine. Do you think Russia is more likely to:		
		Send troops into		
		Stop at Ukraine's Crimea region	other regions of Ukraine	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
National Adults		25%	66%	9%
National Registered Voters		25%	67%	8%
Party Identification^	Democrat	21%	69%	10%
	Republican	21%	72%	8%
	Independent	30%	63%	7%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	22%	66%	12%
	Soft Democrats	29%	67%	4%
	Just Independents	27%	54%	19%
	Soft Republicans	25%	69%	6%
	Strong Republicans	17%	74%	9%
Tea Party Supporters^		17%	77%	6%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	28%	67%	5%
	Moderate	29%	64%	7%
	Conservative-Very conservative	20%	71%	9%
Region	Northeast	26%	66%	7%
	Midwest	24%	71%	5%
	South	22%	67%	11%
	West	31%	58%	11%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	24%	66%	10%
	\$50,000 or more	28%	66%	7%
Education	Not college graduate	24%	68%	8%
	College graduate	29%	63%	9%
Race	White	27%	66%	7%
	Non-white	22%	67%	11%
Age	18 to 29	30%	61%	9%
	30 to 44	28%	65%	7%
	45 to 59	25%	68%	7%
	60 or older	20%	69%	11%
Age	Under 45	29%	63%	8%
	45 or older	23%	68%	9%
Gender	Men	31%	62%	7%
	Women	20%	69%	11%
Marital Status	Married	25%	68%	7%
	Not married	26%	64%	10%
Interview Type	Landline	25%	66%	9%
	Cell phone	26%	66%	8%

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		National Adults				
		Do you think it is very likely, likely, not very likely or not likely at all the current situation in Ukraine will lead to another cold war between Russia and the United States?				
		Very likely	Likely	Not very likely	Not likely at all	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
National Adults		13%	33%	37%	12%	5%
National Registered Voters		13%	33%	37%	12%	5%
Party Identification^	Democrat	12%	29%	39%	13%	7%
	Republican	15%	39%	32%	10%	3%
	Independent	12%	33%	39%	12%	4%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	9%	28%	39%	16%	7%
	Soft Democrats	12%	30%	41%	13%	4%
	Just Independents	14%	35%	29%	11%	11%
	Soft Republicans	13%	36%	36%	11%	3%
	Strong Republicans	17%	42%	30%	8%	2%
Tea Party Supporters^		17%	41%	28%	12%	3%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	9%	25%	43%	20%	3%
	Moderate	11%	32%	42%	9%	7%
	Conservative-Very conservative	17%	40%	32%	8%	3%
Region	Northeast	10%	30%	48%	10%	1%
	Midwest	11%	38%	31%	15%	5%
	South	15%	35%	34%	9%	6%
	West	14%	25%	39%	16%	6%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	17%	32%	34%	12%	5%
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Education	Not college graduate	15%	37%	30%	12%	6%
	College graduate	11%	26%	49%	11%	3%
Race	White	12%	32%	41%	12%	4%
	Non-white	17%	34%	29%	13%	7%
Age	18 to 29	11%	29%	39%	17%	3%
	30 to 44	14%	32%	33%	15%	5%
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	45 or older	14%	34%	37%	9%	6%
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	Women	13%	38%	35%	7%	7%
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		National Adults		
		Do you approve or disapprove of how President Obama is handling the situation between Russia and Ukraine?		
		Approve	Disapprove	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
National Adults		45%	45%	10%
National Registered Voters		46%	45%	9%
Party Identification^	Democrat	69%	21%	11%
	Republican	18%	72%	10%
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		National Registered Voters		
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		Approve	Disapprove	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
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	West	48%	49%	4%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	52%	46%	3%
	\$50,000 or more	38%	58%	3%
Education	Not college graduate	44%	53%	3%
	College graduate	48%	49%	3%
Race	White	33%	64%	3%
	African American	89%	8%	3%
	Latino	65%	32%	3%
Age	18 to 29	53%	39%	8%
	30 to 44	51%	47%	2%
	45 to 59	39%	60%	1%
	60 or older	43%	55%	3%
Age	Under 45	52%	43%	4%
	45 or older	41%	57%	2%
Gender	Men	46%	52%	2%
	Women	45%	52%	3%
Marital Status	Married	36%	62%	2%
	Not married	54%	42%	4%
Interview Type	Landline	42%	55%	3%
	Cell phone	50%	47%	3%

McClatchy-Marist Poll National Registered Voters. Interviews conducted April 7th through April 10th, 2014, n=1036 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.

	Registered Voters		
	Do you approve or disapprove of the job Barack Obama is doing as president?		
	Approve	Disapprove	Unsure
	Row%	Row %	Row%
April 2014	45%	52%	3%
February 2014	42%	52%	5%
December 2013	43%	53%	4%
September 2013	44%	47%	9%
July 2013	41%	48%	11%
April 2013	50%	46%	4%
March 2013	45%	48%	7%
December 2012	50%	44%	6%
November 2012	50%	46%	4%
July 2012	47%	47%	6%
March 2012	48%	47%	5%
November 2011	43%	50%	7%
September 2011	39%	52%	9%
August 2011	44%	46%	10%
June 2011	45%	47%	8%
April 2011	44%	49%	6%
January 2011	48%	43%	9%
December 2010	42%	50%	8%
November 23, 2010	45%	48%	7%
October 28, 2010	48%	43%	9%
October 8, 2010	43%	50%	7%
September 22, 2010	45%	50%	5%
June 30, 2010	44%	45%	11%
March 31, 2010	46%	43%	11%
February 8, 2010	44%	47%	9%
December 8, 2009	46%	44%	10%
October 14, 2009	53%	41%	6%
August 12, 2009	55%	35%	10%
June 8, 2009	56%	32%	12%
April 27, 2009	55%	31%	14%
April 8, 2009	56%	30%	14%
Marist Poll National Registered Voters			

		National Registered Voters		
		Do you approve or disapprove of how President Barack Obama is handling the economy?		
		Approve	Disapprove	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
National Registered Voters		44%	54%	2%
Party Identification	Democrat	72%	26%	2%
	Republican	9%	90%	1%
	Independent	41%	57%	1%
Tea Party Supporters		12%	88%	0%
Political Ideology	Very liberal-Liberal	74%	24%	2%
	Moderate	45%	53%	2%
	Conservative-Very conservative	22%	77%	1%
Region	Northeast	50%	49%	1%
	Midwest	35%	63%	2%
	South	46%	53%	1%
	West	48%	50%	2%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	45%	55%	1%
	\$50,000 or more	43%	55%	2%
Education	Not college graduate	43%	56%	0%
	College graduate	47%	49%	3%
Race	White	35%	64%	2%
	Non-white	68%	32%	0%
Age	18 to 29	43%	55%	2%
	30 to 44	59%	40%	1%
	45 to 59	38%	62%	1%
	60 or older	41%	57%	2%
Age	Under 45	52%	46%	1%
	45 or older	40%	59%	1%
Gender	Men	46%	52%	2%
	Women	43%	56%	1%
Marital Status	Married	39%	60%	1%
	Not married	50%	48%	2%
Interview Type	Landline	43%	55%	2%
	Cell phone	46%	53%	0%

McClatchy-Marist Poll National Registered Voters Split Sample. Interviews conducted April 7th through April 10th, 2014, n=535 MOE +/- 4.2 percentage points. Totals may not add to 100% due to rounding.

	Registered Voters		
	Do you approve or disapprove of how President Barack Obama is handling the economy?		
	Approve	Disapprove	Unsure
	Row %	Row %	Row %
April 2014	44%	54%	2%
February 2014	41%	54%	5%
December 2013	40%	58%	2%
July 2013	37%	56%	7%
April 2013	44%	53%	2%
March 2013	40%	57%	4%
December 2012	44%	52%	4%
March 2012	46%	51%	3%
November 2011	36%	59%	4%
September 2011	33%	61%	6%
June 2011	37%	58%	5%
April 2011	40%	57%	3%
January 2011	44%	48%	8%
November 23, 2010	42%	55%	4%
September 21, 2010	41%	56%	3%
June 30, 2010	46%	48%	6%
March 31, 2010	46%	49%	5%
December 8, 2009	45%	51%	4%
October 14, 2009	48%	47%	5%
August 12, 2009	52%	41%	7%
June 8, 2009	53%	41%	6%
April 8, 2009	54%	37%	9%
Marist Poll National Registered Voters			

		National Registered Voters		
		Do you approve or disapprove of how President Barack Obama is handling foreign policy?		
		Approve	Disapprove	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
National Registered Voters		42%	52%	6%
Party Identification	Democrat	69%	26%	5%
	Republican	13%	82%	6%
	Independent	37%	57%	6%
Tea Party Supporters		15%	81%	4%
Political Ideology	Very liberal-Liberal	71%	22%	7%
	Moderate	46%	48%	6%
	Conservative-Very conservative	19%	77%	4%
Region	Northeast	51%	41%	8%
	Midwest	33%	61%	6%
	South	43%	53%	3%
	West	45%	48%	7%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	40%	52%	8%
	\$50,000 or more	45%	51%	4%
Education	Not college graduate	39%	55%	7%
	College graduate	49%	46%	4%
Race	White	31%	63%	6%
	Non-white	69%	27%	3%
Age	18 to 29	40%	48%	12%
	30 to 44	51%	44%	5%
	45 to 59	40%	56%	4%
	60 or older	40%	55%	4%
Age	Under 45	46%	46%	8%
	45 or older	40%	56%	4%
Gender	Men	42%	51%	6%
	Women	43%	52%	5%
Marital Status	Married	39%	58%	4%
	Not married	47%	45%	8%
Interview Type	Landline	39%	55%	5%
	Cell phone	48%	46%	6%

McClatchy-Marist Poll National Registered Voters Split Sample. Interviews conducted April 7th through April 10th, 2014, n=535 MOE +/- 4.2 percentage points. Totals may not add to 100% due to rounding.

	Registered Voters		
	Do you approve or disapprove of how President Barack Obama is handling foreign policy?		
	Approve	Disapprove	Unsure
	Row %	Row %	Row %
April 2014	42%	52%	6%
February 2014	43%	50%	8%
December 2013	46%	51%	4%
September 2013	38%	54%	8%
July 2013	41%	48%	10%
April 2013	48%	46%	6%
March 2013	46%	47%	8%
December 2012	51%	42%	7%
March 2012	50%	45%	5%
November 2011	49%	45%	6%
April 2011	46%	48%	6%
November 2010	44%	47%	9%
June 2009	54%	32%	14%
April 2009	55%	24%	21%
Marist Poll National Registered Voters			

		National Registered Voters		
		Overall, do you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of Barack Obama?		
		Favorable	Unfavorable	Unsure-Never Heard
		Row %	Row %	Row %
National Registered Voters		49%	49%	2%
Party Identification	Democrat	80%	17%	4%
	Republican	11%	89%	0%
	Independent	48%	49%	2%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	89%	7%	4%
	Soft Democrats	78%	20%	2%
	Just Independents	25%	72%	4%
	Soft Republicans	18%	80%	2%
	Strong Republicans	3%	97%	0%
Tea Party Supporters		23%	74%	2%
Political Ideology	Very liberal-Liberal	77%	20%	3%
	Moderate	58%	40%	2%
	Conservative-Very conservative	22%	77%	1%
Region	Northeast	55%	45%	0%
	Midwest	43%	54%	2%
	South	49%	49%	2%
	West	48%	48%	4%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	55%	42%	3%
	\$50,000 or more	43%	55%	2%
Education	Not college graduate	47%	50%	3%
	College graduate	52%	46%	1%
Race	White	37%	61%	2%
	African American	91%	6%	4%
	Latino	70%	27%	4%
Age	18 to 29	59%	36%	5%
	30 to 44	55%	43%	2%
	45 to 59	42%	57%	1%
	60 or older	46%	53%	2%
Age	Under 45	57%	40%	4%
	45 or older	44%	55%	1%
Gender	Men	50%	49%	2%
	Women	48%	50%	3%
Marital Status	Married	39%	59%	2%
	Not married	58%	39%	3%
Interview Type	Landline	45%	52%	2%
	Cell phone	54%	44%	2%

McClatchy-Marist Poll National Registered Voters. Interviews conducted April 7th through April 10th, 2014, n=1036 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.

	Registered Voters		
	Overall, do you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of Barack Obama?		
	Favorable	Unfavorable	Unsure-Never Heard
	Row %	Row %	Row %
April 2014	49%	49%	2%
February 2014	47%	50%	3%
January 2014	41%	48%	11%
December 2013	46%	52%	3%
July 2013	47%	46%	7%
April 2013	53%	45%	2%
March 2013	48%	48%	4%
December 2012	53%	44%	3%
July 2012	49%	46%	3%
March 2012	50%	46%	3%
November 2011	47%	49%	4%
September 2011	46%	48%	5%
August 2011	52%	41%	8%
June 2011	50%	44%	6%
April 2011	48%	48%	5%
January 2011	53%	40%	8%
November 23, 2010	47%	49%	4%
October 28, 2010	54%	41%	5%
October 8, 2010	50%	47%	3%
September 22, 2010	49%	48%	3%
June 30, 2010	50%	43%	7%
March 31, 2010	53%	41%	6%
February 8, 2010	50%	44%	6%
December 8, 2009	55%	41%	4%
Marist Poll National Registered Voters			

		National Registered Voters			
		If November's election for Congress were held today, which party's candidate are you more likely to vote for in your district:			
		Democrat	Republican	Neither	Undecided
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
National Registered Voters		48%	42%	4%	6%
Party Identification	Democrat	90%	4%	0%	5%
	Republican	3%	94%	2%	1%
	Independent	43%	40%	7%	9%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	97%	1%	1%	1%
	Soft Democrats	85%	5%	1%	8%
	Just Independents	18%	27%	27%	28%
	Soft Republicans	5%	90%	3%	2%
	Strong Republicans	0%	100%	0%	0%
Tea Party Supporters		27%	68%	3%	2%
Political Ideology	Very liberal-Liberal	80%	12%	2%	6%
	Moderate	53%	35%	4%	9%
	Conservative-Very conservative	21%	71%	4%	4%
Region	Northeast	56%	36%	3%	4%
	Midwest	42%	44%	7%	6%
	South	46%	45%	3%	7%
	West	49%	41%	2%	8%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	53%	34%	5%	8%
	\$50,000 or more	42%	50%	3%	5%
Education	Not college graduate	48%	43%	3%	6%
	College graduate	47%	42%	4%	7%
Race	White	38%	52%	3%	6%
	African American	89%	5%	1%	5%
	Latino	61%	25%	4%	9%
Age	18 to 29	51%	39%	6%	4%
	30 to 44	55%	37%	1%	7%
	45 to 59	45%	44%	4%	6%
	60 or older	44%	45%	4%	7%
Age	Under 45	53%	38%	3%	6%
	45 or older	44%	45%	4%	7%
Gender	Men	46%	44%	4%	6%
	Women	49%	41%	3%	7%
Marital Status	Married	36%	54%	3%	7%
	Not married	59%	32%	4%	6%
Interview Type	Landline	46%	44%	4%	7%
	Cell phone	51%	40%	4%	5%

McClatchy-Marist Poll National Registered Voters. Interviews conducted April 7th through April 10th, 2014, n=1036

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.

		National Registered Voters		
		Do you approve or disapprove of the job the Democrats in Congress are doing in office?		
		Approve	Disapprove	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
National Registered Voters		32%	63%	5%
Party Identification	Democrat	70%	23%	7%
	Republican	3%	93%	4%
	Independent	26%	70%	4%
Tea Party Supporters		22%	74%	3%
Political Ideology	Very liberal-Liberal	54%	39%	7%
	Moderate	35%	62%	3%
	Conservative-Very conservative	15%	80%	4%
Region	Northeast	35%	65%	1%
	Midwest	33%	57%	10%
	South	37%	59%	4%
	West	19%	76%	5%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	40%	55%	5%
	\$50,000 or more	25%	71%	4%
Education	Not college graduate	34%	60%	6%
	College graduate	26%	70%	4%
Race	White	24%	73%	3%
	Non-white	51%	40%	9%
Age	18 to 29	40%	51%	9%
	30 to 44	27%	65%	8%
	45 to 59	31%	68%	1%
	60 or older	32%	65%	3%
Age	Under 45	33%	59%	8%
	45 or older	31%	67%	2%
Gender	Men	29%	68%	3%
	Women	35%	59%	7%
Marital Status	Married	26%	70%	4%
	Not married	37%	57%	6%
Interview Type	Landline	32%	63%	6%
	Cell phone	32%	65%	4%

McClatchy-Marist Poll National Registered Voters Split Sample. Interviews conducted April 7th through April 10th, 2014, n=501 MOE +/- 4.4 percentage points. Totals may not add to 100% due to rounding.

	Registered Voters		
	Do you approve or disapprove of the job the Democrats in Congress are doing in office?		
	Approve	Disapprove	Unsure
	Row %	Row %	Row %
April 2014	32%	63%	5%
February 2014	33%	60%	7%
December 2013	33%	64%	3%
July 2013	33%	57%	10%
April 2013	32%	62%	6%
March 2013	31%	62%	7%
December 2012	35%	58%	7%
March 2012	34%	59%	7%
November 2011	28%	65%	7%
September 2011	30%	63%	7%
August 2011	35%	55%	11%
June 2011	30%	60%	10%
April 2011	34%	60%	6%
Marist Poll National Registered Voters			

		National Registered Voters		
		Do you approve or disapprove of the job the Republicans in Congress are doing in office?		
		Approve	Disapprove	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
National Registered Voters		26%	69%	5%
Party Identification	Democrat	12%	82%	6%
	Republican	44%	49%	7%
	Independent	25%	72%	3%
Tea Party Supporters		38%	59%	3%
Political Ideology	Very liberal-Liberal	20%	74%	7%
	Moderate	24%	73%	3%
	Conservative-Very conservative	32%	62%	5%
Region	Northeast	23%	74%	3%
	Midwest	22%	70%	9%
	South	33%	63%	4%
	West	20%	76%	5%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	27%	66%	6%
	\$50,000 or more	24%	72%	4%
Education	Not college graduate	30%	65%	6%
	College graduate	20%	77%	3%
Race	White	27%	69%	4%
	Non-white	26%	67%	8%
Age	18 to 29	47%	44%	9%
	30 to 44	20%	74%	6%
	45 to 59	24%	73%	3%
	60 or older	21%	75%	4%
Age	Under 45	33%	60%	7%
	45 or older	23%	74%	4%
Gender	Men	28%	70%	2%
	Women	25%	68%	7%
Marital Status	Married	24%	73%	3%
	Not married	29%	65%	7%
Interview Type	Landline	22%	72%	5%
	Cell phone	34%	62%	4%

McClatchy-Marist Poll National Registered Voters Split Sample. Interviews conducted April 7th through April 10th, 2014, n=501 MOE +/- 4.4 percentage points. Totals may not add to 100% due to rounding.

	Registered Voters		
	Do you approve or disapprove of the job the Republicans in Congress are doing in office?		
	Approve	Disapprove	Unsure
	Row %	Row %	Row %
April 2014	26%	69%	5%
February 2014	22%	72%	6%
December 2013	22%	74%	4%
July 2013	22%	66%	12%
April 2013	24%	71%	6%
March 2013	26%	68%	7%
December 2012	26%	67%	7%
March 2012	31%	62%	8%
November 2011	23%	70%	7%
September 2011	26%	67%	8%
August 2011	27%	62%	11%
June 2011	27%	63%	10%
April 2011	30%	63%	7%
Marist Poll National Registered Voters			

		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		32%	64%	3%
National Registered Voters		33%	64%	3%
Party Identification^	Democrat	58%	36%	6%
	Republican	7%	92%	0%
	Independent	29%	69%	2%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	63%	29%	8%
	Soft Democrats	49%	49%	2%
	Just Independents	19%	76%	5%
	Soft Republicans	12%	87%	1%
	Strong Republicans	5%	94%	0%
Tea Party Supporters^		14%	85%	1%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	52%	42%	7%
	Moderate	37%	61%	2%
	Conservative-Very conservative	16%	84%	1%
Region	Northeast	38%	61%	2%
	Midwest	29%	68%	3%
	South	33%	65%	2%
	West	31%	64%	5%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	33%	65%	2%
	\$50,000 or more	32%	65%	3%
Education	Not college graduate	30%	67%	3%
	College graduate	37%	60%	4%
Race	White	26%	72%	2%
	African American	60%	35%	5%
	Latino	40%	53%	7%
Age	18 to 29	33%	63%	4%
	30 to 44	37%	59%	4%
	45 to 59	31%	68%	1%
	60 or older	30%	67%	4%
Age	Under 45	35%	61%	4%
	45 or older	30%	68%	2%
Gender	Men	34%	63%	3%
	Women	31%	66%	3%
Marital Status	Married	31%	68%	2%
	Not married	34%	61%	4%
Interview Type	Landline	29%	68%	3%
	Cell phone	38%	59%	3%

McClatchy-Marist Poll National Adults. Interviews conducted April 7th through April 10th, 2014, n=1212 MOE +/- 2.8 percentage points.

^National Registered Voters: n=1036 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.

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	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 %
April 2014	32%	64%	3%
February 13, 2014	33%	64%	3%
February 5, 2014	30%	63%	8%
December 2013	30%	66%	4%
July 2013	30%	60%	11%
April 2013	38%	58%	4%
March 2013	35%	60%	5%
December 2012	40%	55%	5%
March 2012	43%	53%	4%
November 2011	25%	70%	4%
September 2011	22%	73%	5%
August 2011	21%	70%	10%
June 2011	32%	59%	9%
April 2011	31%	64%	5%
January 2011	41%	47%	12%
December 2010	34%	58%	8%
November 23, 2010	41%	53%	6%
October 28, 2010	38%	52%	10%
September 22, 2010	41%	56%	3%
July 6, 2010	37%	56%	7%
March 31, 2010	43%	53%	4%
February 8, 2010	38%	54%	8%
December 8, 2009	46%	46%	8%
October 14, 2009	47%	47%	6%
August 12, 2009	50%	42%	8%
June 8, 2009	50%	40%	10%
April 27, 2009	44%	44%	12%
April 15, 2009	49%	40%	11%
November 2007	23%	67%	10%
May 2007	26%	65%	9%
February 2007	29%	63%	8%
December 2006	31%	60%	9%
October 2006	33%	58%	9%
February 2006	34%	61%	5%
October 2005	31%	62%	7%
May 2005	38%	56%	6%
February 2005	47%	48%	5%
October 21, 2004	42%	55%	3%
October 07, 2004	39%	53%	8%
September 2004	38%	52%	10%
August 2004	40%	48%	12%
July 2004	37%	52%	11%
April 2004	43%	51%	6%
March 2004	43%	52%	5%
November 2003	45%	48%	7%
April 2003	55%	34%	11%
January 2003	42%	48%	10%
October 2002	45%	46%	9%
April 2002	60%	32%	8%
January 2002	60%	30%	10%
March 2001	41%	44%	15%
January 2001	56%	32%	12%
Marist Poll National Adults			