Nature of the Sample: Marist Poll of 1,009 National Adults

This survey of 1,009 adults was conducted August 8th through August 12th, 2017 by The Marist Poll. Adults 18 years of age and older residing in the contiguous United States were contacted on landline or mobile numbers and interviewed in English by telephone using live interviewers. Mobile telephone numbers were randomly selected based upon a list of telephone exchanges from throughout the nation from Survey Sampling International. The exchanges were selected to ensure that each region was represented in proportion to its population. Mobile phones are treated as individual devices. After validation of age, personal ownership, and non-business-use of the mobile phone, interviews are typically conducted with the person answering the phone. To increase coverage, this mobile sample was supplemented by respondents reached through random dialing of landline phone numbers from ASDE Survey Sampler, Inc. Within each landline household, a single respondent is selected through a random selection process to increase the representativeness of traditionally under-covered survey populations. Assistance was provided by Luce Research for data collection. The samples were then combined and balanced to reflect the 2013 American Community Survey 1-year estimates for age, gender, income, race, and region. Results are statistically significant within ± 3.1 percentage points. There are 883 registered voters. The results for this subset are statistically significant within ± 3.3 percentage points. The error margin was not adjusted for sample weights and increases for cross-tabulations.

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		National Adults	National Registered Voters
		Col %	Col %
National Adults		100%	
National Registered Voters		88%	100%
Party Identification	Democrat	n/a	36%
	Republican	n/a	30%
	Independent	n/a	33%
	Other	n/a	1%
Party Identification	Strong Democrats	n/a	23%
	Not strong Democrats	n/a	14%
	Democratic leaning independents	n/a	13%
	Just Independents	n/a	8%
	Republican leaning independents	n/a	11%
	Not strong Republicans	n/a	11%
	Strong Republicans	n/a	19%
	Other	n/a	1%
Tea Party Supporters		n/a	18%
Republicans	Support Tea Party	n/a	35%
	Do Not Support Tea Party	n/a	65%
Political Ideology	Very liberal	n/a	12%
	Liberal	n/a	16%
	Moderate	n/a	32%
	Conservative	n/a	29%
	Very conservative	n/a	11%
Gender	Men	49%	47%
	Women	51%	53%
Age	Under 45	47%	43%
	45 or older	53%	57%
Age	18 to 29	22%	18%
	30 to 44	26%	25%
	45 to 59	27%	29%
	60 or older	26%	28%
Race	White	62%	64%
	African American	11%	12%
	Latino	15%	13%
	Other	11%	11%
Region	Northeast	18%	18%
	Midwest	21%	22%
	South	37%	37%
	West	24%	24%
Household Income	Less than $50,000	49%	47%
	$50,000 or more	51%	53%
Education	Not college graduate	58%	58%
	College graduate	42%	42%
Education by Race	White - Not College Graduate	35%	35%
	White - College Graduate	28%	30%
	Non-White - Not College Graduate	24%	24%
	Non-White - College Graduate	13%	11%
White Evangelical Christians		22%	24%
Interview Type	Landline	32%	34%
	Cell phone	68%	66%

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		National Adults			
		How much confidence do you have in Donald Trump to lead the nation in an international crisis:			
		A great deal of confidence	A good amount	Not very much	No confidence at all
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
National Adults		19%	21%	19%	42%
National Registered Voters		20%	21%	17%	42%
Party Identification^	Democrat	4%	5%	18%	72%
	Republican	45%	35%	11%	9%
	Independent	16%	24%	21%	39%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	3%	6%	15%	76%
	Soft Democrats	3%	6%	25%	66%
	Just Independents	10%	32%	25%	33%
	Soft Republicans	32%	41%	15%	12%
	Strong Republicans	54%	31%	8%	7%
Tea Party Supporters^		44%	31%	11%	14%
Republicans	Support Tea Party	52%	32%	10%	7%
	Do Not Support Tea Party	37%	39%	13%	11%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	5%	6%	15%	74%
	Moderate	12%	25%	23%	40%
	Conservative-Very conservative	36%	28%	15%	21%
Trump Supporters		49%	40%	9%	2%
Region	Northeast	14%	14%	20%	52%
	Midwest	23%	21%	20%	36%
	South	23%	25%	19%	33%
	West	13%	19%	17%	52%
Household Income	Less than $50,000	15%	20%	24%	40%
	$50,000 or more	21%	21%	15%	44%
Education	Not college graduate	22%	22%	19%	37%
	College graduate	15%	19%	19%	47%
Race	White	24%	23%	16%	37%
	African American	5%	11%	24%	61%
	Latino	10%	21%	19%	50%
Race and Education	White - Not College Graduate	31%	26%	17%	27%
	White - College Graduate	17%	19%	16%	49%
Age	18 to 29	10%	22%	30%	37%
	30 to 44	12%	22%	16%	49%
	45 to 59	27%	21%	13%	40%
	60 or older	25%	18%	18%	39%
Age	Under 45	11%	22%	23%	44%
	45 or older	26%	19%	15%	39%
Gender	Men	21%	24%	17%	37%
	Women	17%	17%	20%	46%
White Evangelical Christians		36%	27%	16%	21%
Interview Type	Landline	20%	22%	18%	39%
	Cell phone	18%	20%	19%	43%

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		National Adults					
		North Korea is developing the ability to launch a nuclear weapon that can reach the U.S. Which one of the following actions is best for the U.S. to take against North Korea:					
		Negotiate directly with North Korea	Convince China to use their influence to stop nuclear programs	Use air strikes to knock out nuclear facilities	Send troops to overthrow the government	Launch a first strike nuclear attack	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
National Adults		39%	37%	11%	2%	4%	6%
National Registered Voters		39%	38%	11%	2%	4%	6%
Party Identification^	Democrat	51%	32%	7%	2%	3%	6%
	Republican	30%	39%	20%	2%	4%	6%
	Independent	33%	44%	8%	3%	6%	5%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	53%	30%	7%	1%	2%	6%
	Soft Democrats	43%	41%	6%	2%	2%	6%
	Just Independents	37%	40%	7%	4%	11%	2%
	Soft Republicans	30%	40%	17%	3%	5%	5%
	Strong Republicans	26%	41%	20%	2%	6%	6%
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	Moderate	38%	37%	13%	3%	2%	6%
	Conservative-Very conservative	30%	41%	16%	1%	7%	6%
Trump Supporters		26%	38%	20%	3%	7%	6%
Region	Northeast	44%	41%	7%	2%	2%	4%
	Midwest	37%	33%	13%	4%	5%	8%
	South	37%	39%	12%	1%	4%	6%
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	$50,000 or more	37%	42%	11%	2%	4%	4%
Education	Not college graduate	39%	33%	12%	3%	6%	7%
	College graduate	40%	42%	10%	1%	2%	5%
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	Latino	37%	35%	11%	2%	5%	11%
Race and Education	White - Not College Graduate	35%	35%	14%	4%	5%	7%
	White - College Graduate	38%	45%	11%	1%	1%	4%
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