

## How the Survey was Conducted

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### **Nature of the Sample: PBS NewsHour/Marist Poll of 1105 National Adults**

This survey of 1105 adults was conducted September 25<sup>th</sup> through September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017 by The Marist Poll sponsored in collaboration with PBS NewsHour. 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  $\pm 2.9$  percentage points. There are 886 registered voters. The results for this subset are statistically significant within  $\pm 3.3$  percentage points. The error margin was not adjusted for sample weights and increases for cross-tabulations.

**Nature of the Sample**

		National Adults	Registered	
		Col %	Col %	
National Adults		100%	n/a	
National Registered Voters		80%	100%	
Party Identification	Democrat	n/a	33%	
	Republican	n/a	27%	
	Independent	n/a	38%	
	Other	n/a	1%	
Party Identification	Strong Democrats	n/a	20%	
	Not strong Democrats	n/a	13%	
	Democratic leaning independents	n/a	14%	
	Just Independents	n/a	12%	
	Republican leaning independents	n/a	12%	
	Not strong Republicans	n/a	10%	
	Strong Republicans	n/a	17%	
	Other	n/a	1%	
	Political Ideology	Very liberal	n/a	8%
		Liberal	n/a	22%
Moderate		n/a	33%	
Conservative		n/a	26%	
Very conservative		n/a	11%	
Gender	Men	49%	47%	
	Women	51%	53%	
Age	Under 45	47%	42%	
	45 or older	53%	58%	
Age	18 to 29	22%	17%	
	30 to 44	25%	25%	
	45 to 59	26%	28%	
	60 or older	26%	30%	
Race	White	62%	64%	
	African American	11%	11%	
	Latino	14%	13%	
	Other	12%	11%	
Region	Northeast	18%	17%	
	Midwest	21%	22%	
	South	37%	37%	
	West	24%	24%	
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	48%	43%	
	\$50,000 or more	52%	57%	
Education	Not college graduate	60%	57%	
	College graduate	40%	43%	
Education by Race	White - Not College Graduate	36%	36%	
	White - College Graduate	26%	29%	
	Non-White - Not College Graduate	25%	22%	
	Non-White - College Graduate	13%	14%	
Interview Type	Landline	32%	35%	
	Cell phone	68%	65%	

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National Registered Voters: n=886 MOE +/- 3.3 percentage points. Totals may not add to 100% due to rounding.

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		National Adults		
		Do you approve or disapprove of the job Donald Trump is doing as president?		
		Approve	Disapprove	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
National Adults		37%	54%	9%
National Registered Voters		39%	54%	7%
Party Identification^	Democrat	6%	91%	3%
	Republican	81%	13%	7%
	Independent	38%	53%	9%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	3%	92%	4%
	Soft Democrats	8%	89%	3%
	Just Independents	40%	48%	12%
	Soft Republicans	68%	20%	12%
Political Ideology^	Strong Republicans	91%	6%	4%
	Very liberal-Liberal	8%	86%	6%
	Moderate	30%	63%	7%
	Conservative-Very conservative	73%	22%	5%
Trump Supporters		89%	6%	5%
Region	Northeast	27%	68%	5%
	Midwest	39%	51%	9%
	South	46%	43%	11%
	West	28%	63%	10%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	33%	57%	10%
	\$50,000 or more	38%	55%	7%
Education	Not college graduate	40%	50%	10%
	College graduate	33%	60%	7%
Race	White	43%	49%	8%
	African American	8%	85%	7%
	Latino	26%	63%	11%
Race and Education	White - Not College Graduate	50%	41%	9%
	White - College Graduate	34%	58%	7%
Age	18 to 29	20%	68%	12%
	30 to 44	35%	55%	10%
	45 to 59	41%	52%	7%
	60 or older	46%	45%	8%
Age	Under 45	28%	61%	11%
	45 or older	44%	49%	7%
Gender	Men	42%	49%	9%
	Women	32%	59%	9%
Interview Type	Landline	42%	51%	7%
	Cell phone	34%	56%	10%

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National Adults			
Do you approve or disapprove of the job Donald Trump is doing as president?			
	Approve	Disapprove	Unsure
	Row %	Row %	Row %
September 29, 2017	37%	54%	9%
September 15, 2017	39%	50%	12%
August 17, 2017	35%	51%	14%
August 16, 2017	35%	55%	9%
June 2017	37%	51%	12%
April 2017	39%	48%	13%
March 2017	37%	51%	12%
February 2017	39%	50%	11%

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		National Adults				
		Do you approve or disapprove of the job Donald Trump is doing as president? [And, would you say you strongly approve/disapprove of the job he is doing or just approve/disapprove?]				
		Strongly approve	Approve	Disapprove	Strongly disapprove	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
National Adults		18%	19%	13%	41%	9%
National Registered Voters		21%	18%	10%	44%	7%
Party Identification^	Democrat	1%	5%	13%	79%	3%
	Republican	52%	29%	7%	6%	7%
	Independent	16%	21%	11%	42%	9%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	0%	3%	8%	85%	4%
	Soft Democrats	1%	6%	20%	69%	3%
	Just Independents	18%	22%	5%	43%	12%
	Soft Republicans	29%	39%	9%	11%	12%
	Strong Republicans	67%	23%	4%	2%	4%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	2%	6%	9%	77%	6%
	Moderate	10%	19%	16%	47%	7%
	Conservative-Very conservative	47%	26%	7%	15%	5%
Trump Supporters		52%	37%	3%	3%	5%
Region	Northeast	15%	12%	19%	49%	5%
	Midwest	18%	22%	13%	38%	9%
	South	24%	22%	9%	34%	11%
	West	13%	15%	15%	48%	10%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	15%	18%	17%	40%	10%
	\$50,000 or more	20%	19%	11%	44%	7%
Education	Not college graduate	20%	20%	16%	34%	10%
	College graduate	16%	17%	8%	52%	7%
Race	White	22%	21%	11%	38%	8%
	African American	3%	5%	17%	69%	7%
	Latino	11%	16%	19%	44%	11%
Race and Education	White - Not College Graduate	26%	24%	13%	29%	9%
	White - College Graduate	17%	18%	8%	50%	7%
Age	18 to 29	6%	14%	27%	41%	12%
	30 to 44	13%	21%	11%	44%	10%
	45 to 59	24%	18%	10%	42%	7%
	60 or older	28%	18%	7%	38%	8%
Age	Under 45	10%	18%	18%	43%	11%
	45 or older	26%	18%	9%	40%	7%
Gender	Men	22%	20%	14%	34%	9%
	Women	15%	17%	12%	47%	9%
Interview Type	Landline	23%	20%	8%	43%	7%
	Cell phone	16%	18%	15%	40%	10%

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National Adults

Do you approve or disapprove of the job Donald Trump is doing as president? [And, would you say you strongly approve/disapprove of the job he is doing or just approve/disapprove?]

	Strongly Approve	Approve	Disapprove	Strongly Disapprove	Unsure
	Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
September 29, 2017	18%	19%	13%	41%	9%
September 15, 2017	22%	17%	12%	37%	12%
August 17, 2017	20%	15%	12%	39%	14%
August 16, 2017	20%	16%	13%	42%	9%
June 2017	20%	17%	11%	40%	12%

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		National Adults		
		Overall, do you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of Donald Trump?		
		Favorable	Unfavorable	Unsure-Never Heard
		Row %	Row %	Row %
National Adults		35%	57%	8%
National Registered Voters		36%	57%	6%
Party Identification^	Democrat	7%	91%	2%
	Republican	75%	17%	8%
	Independent	33%	58%	8%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	4%	93%	3%
	Soft Democrats	8%	88%	4%
	Just Independents	29%	56%	15%
	Soft Republicans	65%	27%	7%
Political Ideology^	Strong Republicans	85%	10%	5%
	Very liberal-Liberal	7%	90%	4%
	Moderate	28%	68%	4%
	Conservative-Very conservative	69%	25%	7%
Trump Supporters		83%	10%	6%
Region	Northeast	28%	66%	6%
	Midwest	34%	59%	7%
	South	44%	46%	10%
	West	25%	66%	9%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	31%	59%	10%
	\$50,000 or more	36%	58%	5%
Education	Not college graduate	37%	53%	10%
	College graduate	30%	64%	5%
Race	White	40%	53%	7%
	African American	9%	85%	6%
	Latino	23%	67%	10%
Race and Education	White - Not College Graduate	46%	46%	8%
	White - College Graduate	33%	62%	4%
Age	18 to 29	19%	69%	12%
	30 to 44	30%	62%	8%
	45 to 59	40%	54%	6%
	60 or older	45%	49%	6%
Age	Under 45	25%	65%	10%
	45 or older	43%	51%	6%
Gender	Men	40%	52%	8%
	Women	30%	63%	8%
Interview Type	Landline	39%	52%	9%
	Cell phone	32%	60%	8%

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National Adults			
Overall, do you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of Donald Trump?			
	Favorable	Unfavorable	Unsure-Never Heard
	Row %	Row %	Row %
September 2017	35%	57%	8%
August 2017	34%	60%	6%
June 2017	37%	56%	8%
April 2017	38%	53%	9%
March 2017	37%	54%	8%
February 2017	38%	54%	8%
December 2016	43%	52%	5%
November 2016	31%	64%	5%
September 2016	33%	64%	4%
August 2016	28%	66%	6%
July 2016	30%	64%	5%
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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		21%	21%	19%	39%
National Registered Voters		23%	20%	17%	40%
Party Identification <sup>^</sup>	Democrat	5%	4%	20%	71%
	Republican	51%	31%	13%	4%
	Independent	19%	25%	17%	39%
Party Identification <sup>*</sup>	Strong Democrats	5%	2%	16%	77%
	Soft Democrats	2%	9%	27%	61%
	Just Independents	18%	27%	12%	44%
	Soft Republicans	37%	39%	15%	10%
	Strong Republicans	63%	28%	7%	2%
Political Ideology <sup>^</sup>	Very liberal-Liberal	3%	9%	18%	69%
	Moderate	14%	22%	20%	44%
	Conservative-Very conservative	48%	27%	13%	12%
Trump Supporters		54%	38%	7%	2%
Region	Northeast	18%	15%	21%	47%
	Midwest	20%	24%	21%	35%
	South	29%	24%	14%	34%
	West	14%	19%	23%	44%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	18%	20%	21%	42%
	\$50,000 or more	22%	22%	17%	39%
Education	Not college graduate	23%	23%	19%	35%
	College graduate	18%	17%	19%	46%
Race	White	25%	24%	16%	35%
	African American	8%	6%	20%	66%
	Latino	11%	17%	26%	46%
Race and Education	White - Not College Graduate	28%	29%	15%	28%
	White - College Graduate	20%	18%	19%	43%
Age	18 to 29	8%	18%	32%	42%
	30 to 44	18%	26%	18%	39%
	45 to 59	24%	20%	15%	41%
	60 or older	32%	19%	13%	36%
Age	Under 45	13%	22%	24%	40%
	45 or older	28%	19%	14%	38%
Gender	Men	25%	23%	21%	31%
	Women	18%	18%	17%	47%
Interview Type	Landline	27%	20%	15%	38%
	Cell phone	19%	21%	20%	40%

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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/A good amount	Not very much/No confidence at all
		Row %	Row %
National Adults		42%	58%
National Registered Voters		43%	57%
Party Identification^	Democrat	9%	91%
	Republican	82%	18%
	Independent	44%	56%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	7%	93%
	Soft Democrats	12%	88%
	Just Independents	45%	55%
	Soft Republicans	76%	24%
	Strong Republicans	91%	9%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	13%	87%
	Moderate	36%	64%
	Conservative-Very conservative	75%	25%
Trump Supporters		91%	9%
Region	Northeast	32%	68%
	Midwest	44%	56%
	South	52%	48%
	West	33%	67%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	38%	62%
	\$50,000 or more	44%	56%
Education	Not college graduate	47%	53%
	College graduate	35%	65%
Race	White	49%	51%
	African American	14%	86%
	Latino	28%	72%
Race and Education	White - Not College Graduate	57%	43%
	White - College Graduate	38%	62%
Age	18 to 29	26%	74%
	30 to 44	44%	56%
	45 to 59	44%	56%
	60 or older	51%	49%
Age	Under 45	35%	65%
	45 or older	47%	53%
Gender	Men	49%	51%
	Women	36%	64%
Interview Type	Landline	47%	53%
	Cell phone	40%	60%

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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 %
September 2017	21%	21%	19%	39%
August 2017	18%	21%	21%	40%

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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 %
National Adults		27%	65%	8%
National Registered Voters		28%	65%	7%
Party Identification^	Democrat	4%	91%	5%
	Republican	59%	34%	6%
	Independent	26%	66%	7%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	3%	94%	3%
	Soft Democrats	6%	88%	6%
	Just Independents	25%	62%	12%
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Political Ideology^	Strong Republicans	74%	22%	4%
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	Moderate	22%	72%	6%
	Conservative-Very conservative	52%	41%	7%
Trump Supporters		60%	32%	7%
Region	Northeast	20%	75%	5%
	Midwest	27%	67%	6%
	South	34%	57%	9%
	West	22%	69%	9%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	24%	69%	7%
	\$50,000 or more	29%	64%	6%
Education	Not college graduate	28%	64%	8%
	College graduate	25%	68%	7%
Race	White	32%	60%	8%
	African American	5%	93%	1%
	Latino	23%	70%	7%
Race and Education	White - Not College Graduate	36%	57%	7%
	White - College Graduate	28%	64%	8%
Age	18 to 29	21%	73%	6%
	30 to 44	24%	68%	8%
	45 to 59	29%	65%	6%
	60 or older	32%	59%	9%
Age	Under 45	23%	70%	7%
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	Right direction	Wrong direction	Unsure
	Row %	Row %	Row %
September 2017	27%	65%	8%
August 2017	33%	62%	5%
June 2017	31%	61%	8%
April 2017	35%	57%	8%
March 2017	34%	59%	7%
February 2017	38%	55%	7%
December 2016	31%	62%	6%
November 2016	33%	59%	8%
September 2016	34%	59%	6%
August 2016	34%	59%	7%
July 2016	25%	68%	7%
April 2016	27%	68%	5%
November 2015	36%	59%	6%
August 2015	34%	60%	6%
March 2015	36%	59%	4%
December 2014	31%	64%	6%
October 2014	35%	61%	4%
August 2014	28%	64%	8%
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%