How the Survey was Conducted

Nature of the Sample: NPR/PBS NewsHour/Marist Poll of 1,011 National Adults

This survey of 1,011 adults was conducted April 10th through April 13th, 2018 by The Marist Poll sponsored in collaboration with NPR and 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 2016 American Community Survey 1-year estimates for age, gender, income, race, and region. Results are statistically significant within ±3.6 percentage points. There are 827 registered voters. The results for this subset are statistically significant within ±3.9 percentage points. There are 345 gun owners. The results for this subset are statistically significant within ±6.1 percentage points. The error margin was adjusted for sample weights and increases for cross-tabulations.

Nature of the Sample

	Cal 0/	National Registered Voters	
	Col %	Col %	Col %
	100%		
ers	82%	100%	
	45%	47%	
	37%	40%	100%
Democrat	32%	32%	22%
Republican	27%	27%	34%
Independent	39%	39%	42%
Other	2%	2%	2%
Strong Democrats	20%	20%	11%
Not strong Democrats	12%	12%	10%
Democratic leaning independents	14%	14%	10%
Just Independents			11%
			20%
			9%
			25%
			2%
			69%
Women			31%
Under 45			43%
			57%
			16%
			27%
			31%
			26%
			64%
			11%
			13%
			11%
			8%
			23% 45%
			45% 24%
			33% 67%
			56%
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			36%
			29%
			20%
			15%
			23%
			36% 64%
	Democrat Republican Independent Other Strong Democrats Not strong Democrats Democratic leaning independents Just Independents Republican leaning independents Not strong Republicans Strong Republicans Other Men Women Under 45 45 or older 18 to 29 30 to 44 45 to 59 60 or older White African American Latino Other Northeast Midwest South West Less than \$50,000 \$50,000 or more Not college graduate College graduate White - Not College Graduate White - Not College Graduate Non-White - Not College Graduate Non-White - College Graduate Stians Landline Cell phone	Democrat 32% Republican 27% Independent 39% Other 2% Strong Democrats 20% Not strong Democrats 12% Democratic leaning independents 14% Just Independents 14% Not strong Republicans 11% Strong Republicans 11% Strong Republicans 16% Other 2% Men 49% Women 51% Under 45 46 45 or older 54% 45 to 59 60 or older 27% White African American 13% Latino 0ther 12% Northeast 18% Midwest 21% South 38% West 23% Less than \$50,000 or more Not college graduate 46% White - Not College Graduate White - College Graduate 46% White - Not College Graduate 46% White - Not College Graduate 16% Strong White - College Graduate 16% Strong White - College Graduate 16% Strong Men 46% Stron	45% 47% 40% 37% 40% 32%

Marist Poll National Adults. Interviews conducted April 10th through April 13th, 2018, n=1011 MOE +/- 3.6 percentage points. National Registered Voters: n=827 MOE +/- 3.9 percentage points. National Gun Owners: n=345 MOE +/- 6.1 percentage points. Totals may not add to 100% due to rounding.

National Adults

Do you think **stricter gun legislation** should be an immediate priority for the current congress, should not be an immediate priority, or the issue should not be a priority at all for congress?

			Not an immediate		
		Immediate priority	priority	Not a priority at all	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
National Adults		52%	19%	27%	1%
National Registered Vot	ers	51%	20%	27%	1%
Party Identification^	Democrat	75%	15%	9%	0%
	Republican	26%	25%	47%	2%
	Independent	50%	22%	28%	1%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	84%	10%	6%	0%
	Soft Democrats	65%	24%	11%	1%
	Just Independents	52%	19%	27%	1%
	Soft Republicans	32%	26%	40%	2%
	Strong Republicans	21%	21%	57%	1%
Trump Supporters		21%	24%	52%	2%
Region	Northeast	59%	17%	22%	1%
	Midwest	52%	17%	31%	1%
	South	49%	21%	28%	1%
	West	53%	19%	27%	1%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	58%	19%	22%	1%
	\$50,000 or more	47%	20%	32%	1%
Education	Not college graduate	49%	19%	30%	2%
	College graduate	57%	19%	23%	1%
Race	White	47%	21%	31%	2%
	African American	74%	11%	14%	0%
	Latino	54%	25%	20%	1%
Race and Education	White - Not College Graduate	39%	22%	37%	2%
	White - College Graduate	56%	20%	23%	1%
Age	18 to 29	57%	17%	24%	2%
	30 to 44	45%	28%	27%	0%
	45 to 59	55%	17%	28%	0%
	60 or older	53%	16%	28%	3%
Age	Under 45	51%	23%	26%	1%
	45 or older	54%	16%	28%	2%
Gender	Men	40%	22%	37%	1%
	Women	63%	17%	18%	2%
White Evangelical Chris	tians	35%	24%	41%	1%
Interview Type	Landline	52%	19%	25%	3%
	Cell phone	52%	19%	29%	0%

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 $^{^{\}wedge}National\ Registered\ Voters:\ n=827\ MOE\ +/-\ 3.9\ percentage\ points.\ Totals\ may\ not\ add\ to\ 100\%\ due\ to\ rounding.$

^{*}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.

GUNRGTS1. NPR/PBS NewsHour/Marist Poll National Tables April 10th through April 13th, 2018

		National Adults			
		Do y	ou think it is more important	to:	
		Protect gun rights	Control gun violence	Unsure	
		Row %	Row %	Row %	
National Adults		38%	57%	5%	
Gun Owners		56%	40%	5%	
National Registered Vote	ers	39%	56%	5%	
Party Identification^	Democrat	15%	81%	3%	
	Republican	62%	32%	7%	
	Independent	40%	55%	6%	
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	11%	87%	2%	
	Soft Democrats	17%	77%	5%	
	Just Independents	42%	48%	10%	
	Soft Republicans	56%	36%	8%	
	Strong Republicans	71%	26%	2%	
Trump Supporters		71%	23%	5%	
Region	Northeast	28%	64%	8%	
	Midwest	40%	57%	3%	
	South	42%	55%	3%	
	West	40%	54%	6%	
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	38%	57%	5%	
	\$50,000 or more	39%	57%	4%	
Education	Not college graduate	43%	53%	4%	
	College graduate	31%	64%	6%	
Race	White	40%	56%	4%	
	African American	25%	69%	6%	
	Latino	31%	65%	4%	
Race and Education	White - Not College Graduate	48%	47%	4%	
	White - College Graduate	31%	65%	4%	
Age	18 to 29	39%	59%	2%	
	30 to 44	41%	53%	7%	
	45 to 59	37%	60%	3%	
	60 or older	37%	57%	7%	
Age	Under 45	40%	56%	5%	
	45 or older	37%	58%	5%	
Gender	Men	48%	47%	5%	
	Women	29%	66%	5%	
White Evangelical Chris	tians	56%	41%	3%	
Interview Type	Landline	37%	56%	7%	
	Cell phone	39%	57%	4%	

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[^]National Registered Voters: n=827 MOE +/- 3.9 percentage points. National Gun Owners: n=345 MOE +/- 6.1 percentage points. Totals may not add to 100% due to rounding.

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GUNRGTS1. Marist Poll National Trend

		National Adults	
	Do	you think it is more importan	t to:
	Protect gun rights	Control gun violence	Unsure
	Row %	Row %	Row %
April 2018	38%	57%	5%
March 2018	39%	54%	7%
December 2017	42%	55%	3%
October 2017	45%	52%	4%
April 2013	44%	53%	3%
March 2013	48%	49%	3%

Marist Poll National Adults

National Adults

Do you think the students from Parkland, Florida that are speaking out about the shooting at their high school and the issue of gun violence are having a major impact, a minor impact, or no impact at all on gun reform in this country?

		Major impact	Minor impact	No impact at all	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
National Adults		33%	46%	18%	4%
Gun Owners		20%	51%	26%	3%
National Registered Vot	ers	33%	47%	17%	4%
Party Identification^	Democrat	46%	39%	12%	3%
	Republican	17%	57%	23%	3%
	Independent	33%	47%	16%	4%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	53%	33%	11%	3%
	Soft Democrats	38%	49%	11%	2%
	Just Independents	28%	54%	12%	5%
	Soft Republicans	25%	49%	21%	5%
	Strong Republicans	15%	56%	26%	3%
Trump Supporters		13%	54%	29%	4%
Region	Northeast	39%	45%	12%	4%
	Midwest	32%	48%	16%	4%
	South	32%	44%	20%	3%
	West	29%	46%	21%	4%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	36%	44%	14%	5%
	\$50,000 or more	30%	49%	20%	2%
Education	Not college graduate	31%	44%	20%	5%
	College graduate	36%	48%	14%	2%
Race	White	32%	49%	16%	3%
	African American	33%	40%	21%	6%
	Latino	37%	35%	26%	2%
Race and Education	White - Not College Graduate	29%	47%	21%	3%
	White - College Graduate	35%	51%	10%	3%
Age	18 to 29	37%	46%	15%	2%
	30 to 44	26%	51%	20%	3%
	45 to 59	34%	44%	20%	2%
	60 or older	35%	42%	16%	7%
Age	Under 45	31%	49%	18%	2%
	45 or older	34%	43%	18%	4%
Gender	Men	27%	48%	23%	2%
	Women	38%	43%	14%	5%
White Evangelical Chris	tians	25%	55%	17%	4%
Interview Type	Landline	35%	41%	17%	6%
	Cell phone	32%	48%	19%	2%

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National Registered Voters: n=827 MOE +/- 3.9 percentage points. National Gun Owners: n=345 MOE +/- 6.1 percentage points. Totals may not add to 100% due to rounding.

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PFLIM001TRND. Marist Poll National Trend

National Adults

Do you think the students from Parkland, Florida that are speaking out about the shooting at their high school and the issue of gun violence are having [will have] a major impact, a minor impact, or no impact at all on gun reform in this country?

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•	Major	Minor	No impact	
	impact	impact	at all	Unsure
	Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
April 2018	33%	46%	18%	4%
March 2018	33%	44%	19%	4%
February 2018	34%	40%	23%	3%

Marist Poll National Adults

When it comes to your vote for Congress this November, is a candidate's position on gun policy:

		A major factor in deciding your vote	A minor factor	Not a factor in deciding your vote	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
National Registered Vot	ers	46%	39%	14%	1%
Gun Owners		47%	39%	13%	2%
Party Identification	Democrat	53%	33%	12%	1%
	Republican	44%	39%	15%	2%
	Independent	42%	41%	16%	1%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	60%	29%	10%	1%
	Soft Democrats	46%	37%	15%	1%
	Just Independents	29%	55%	15%	1%
	Soft Republicans	40%	43%	16%	2%
	Strong Republicans	50%	36%	13%	1%
Trump Supporters		47%	38%	15%	1%
Region	Northeast	43%	38%	18%	1%
	Midwest	42%	45%	12%	1%
	South	44%	36%	18%	2%
	West	52%	37%	9%	2%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	43%	40%	15%	2%
	\$50,000 or more	47%	39%	14%	1%
Education	Not college graduate	49%	35%	15%	2%
	College graduate	44%	44%	11%	1%
Race	White	46%	39%	13%	2%
	African American	33%	43%	25%	0%
	Latino	55%	32%	12%	1%
Race and Education	White - Not College Graduate	43%	38%	17%	2%
	White - College Graduate	48%	42%	9%	1%
Age	18 to 29	48%	42%	10%	0%
	30 to 44	45%	39%	16%	1%
	45 to 59	42%	43%	15%	1%
	60 or older	48%	34%	15%	4%
Age	Under 45	46%	40%	13%	0%
	45 or older	45%	38%	15%	2%
Gender	Men	41%	39%	19%	1%
	Women	50%	38%	10%	2%
White Evangelical Chris	tians	44%	39%	15%	2%
Interview Type	Landline	44%	38%	15%	3%
	Cell phone	47%	39%	14%	0%

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CGVTGP01TRND. Marist Poll National Trend

		National Registered Voters				
	When it comes to y	When it comes to your vote for Congress this November, is a candidate's position on gun policy:				
•	A major factor in Not a factor in					
	deciding your vote	A minor factor	deciding your vote	Unsure		
-	Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %		
April 2018	46%	39%	14%	1%		
February 2018	59%	26%	13%	2%		

Marist Poll National Registered Voters

Would you definitely vote for or definitely vote against a candidate for Congress who receives campaign contributions from the National Rifle Association, that is the NRA?

		Definitely vote for	Definitely vote against	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
National Registered Vote	ers	36%	52%	13%
Gun Owners		50%	35%	15%
Party Identification	Democrat	13%	80%	7%
	Republican	65%	19%	15%
	Independent	36%	50%	14%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	9%	84%	7%
	Soft Democrats	15%	78%	7%
	Just Independents	37%	46%	17%
	Soft Republicans	55%	24%	21%
	Strong Republicans	75%	15%	11%
Trump Supporters		70%	15%	15%
Region	Northeast	27%	60%	13%
	Midwest	35%	52%	13%
	South	40%	49%	11%
	West	36%	49%	14%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	34%	56%	10%
	\$50,000 or more	38%	49%	13%
Education	Not college graduate	43%	46%	11%
	College graduate	30%	56%	15%
Race	White	37%	47%	15%
	African American	22%	75%	4%
	Latino	35%	59%	6%
Race and Education	White - Not College Graduate	46%	39%	15%
	White - College Graduate	30%	55%	15%
Age	18 to 29	39%	57%	4%
	30 to 44	35%	54%	11%
	45 to 59	35%	47%	18%
	60 or older	35%	52%	13%
Age	Under 45	37%	55%	8%
	45 or older	35%	49%	16%
Gender	Men	45%	44%	11%
	Women	28%	59%	14%
White Evangelical Chris	tians	52%	32%	15%
Interview Type	Landline	34%	54%	12%
	Cell phone	37%	50%	13%

Would you definitely vote for or definitely vote against a candidate for Congress who wants to ban the sale of semi-automatic assault guns such as the AK-47 or the AR-15?

		Definitely vote for	Definitely vote against	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
National Registered Vote	ers	56%	38%	6%
Gun Owners		40%	54%	6%
Party Identification	Democrat	73%	25%	3%
	Republican	42%	50%	7%
	Independent	53%	38%	9%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	76%	22%	2%
	Soft Democrats	69%	25%	6%
	Just Independents	47%	45%	8%
	Soft Republicans	46%	44%	11%
	Strong Republicans	36%	58%	6%
Trump Supporters		34%	59%	7%
Region	Northeast	70%	22%	8%
	Midwest	53%	43%	4%
	South	52%	42%	6%
	West	55%	37%	8%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	56%	40%	4%
	\$50,000 or more	56%	37%	7%
Education	Not college graduate	48%	47%	5%
	College graduate	65%	28%	8%
Race	White	59%	34%	7%
	African American	54%	40%	6%
	Latino	53%	41%	6%
Race and Education	White - Not College Graduate	51%	43%	6%
	White - College Graduate	67%	27%	7%
Age	18 to 29	48%	48%	4%
	30 to 44	53%	41%	6%
	45 to 59	57%	34%	8%
	60 or older	62%	32%	6%
Age	Under 45	51%	44%	5%
	45 or older	60%	33%	7%
Gender	Men	43%	50%	7%
	Women	68%	26%	6%
White Evangelical Chris	tians	46%	46%	7%
Interview Type	Landline	65%	30%	5%
	Cell phone	50%	42%	7%

Would you definitely vote for or definitely vote against a candidate for Congress who wants to allow school teachers to carry guns?

		Definitely vote for	Definitely vote against	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
National Registered Vote	ers	36%	58%	6%
Gun Owners		51%	43%	7%
Party Identification	Democrat	14%	81%	5%
	Republican	60%	30%	11%
	Independent	38%	57%	5%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	10%	86%	4%
	Soft Democrats	19%	78%	2%
	Just Independents	43%	49%	8%
	Soft Republicans	52%	39%	9%
	Strong Republicans	68%	22%	10%
Trump Supporters		66%	25%	9%
Region	Northeast	25%	66%	9%
	Midwest	40%	55%	5%
	South	38%	55%	7%
	West	37%	59%	4%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	32%	64%	4%
	\$50,000 or more	39%	54%	6%
Education	Not college graduate	41%	54%	5%
	College graduate	31%	62%	8%
Race	White	38%	54%	7%
	African American	15%	79%	6%
	Latino	41%	55%	4%
Race and Education	White - Not College Graduate	48%	45%	7%
	White - College Graduate	29%	63%	8%
Age	18 to 29	38%	60%	2%
	30 to 44	44%	49%	7%
	45 to 59	36%	57%	7%
	60 or older	29%	64%	7%
Age	Under 45	42%	54%	5%
	45 or older	33%	60%	7%
Gender	Men	46%	49%	5%
	Women	27%	66%	7%
White Evangelical Christ	tians	53%	37%	10%
Interview Type	Landline	29%	61%	10%
	Cell phone	41%	55%	4%

Would you definitely vote for or definitely vote against a candidate for Congress who wants stricter gun control laws?

		Definitely vote for	Definitely vote against	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
National Registered Vote	ers	60%	33%	7%
Gun Owners		42%	51%	8%
Party Identification	Democrat	83%	14%	3%
	Republican	32%	57%	11%
	Independent	61%	30%	8%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	85%	13%	2%
	Soft Democrats	82%	12%	6%
	Just Independents	58%	30%	12%
	Soft Republicans	42%	47%	11%
	Strong Republicans	25%	68%	8%
Trump Supporters		28%	63%	9%
Region	Northeast	66%	23%	11%
	Midwest	54%	40%	6%
	South	59%	34%	7%
	West	62%	31%	7%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	63%	29%	8%
	\$50,000 or more	58%	36%	6%
Education	Not college graduate	58%	36%	7%
	College graduate	62%	29%	8%
Race	White	58%	34%	7%
	African American	74%	19%	7%
	Latino	67%	27%	6%
Race and Education	White - Not College Graduate	51%	41%	8%
	White - College Graduate	65%	29%	7%
Age	18 to 29	65%	34%	1%
	30 to 44	57%	35%	8%
	45 to 59	62%	29%	9%
	60 or older	57%	33%	10%
Age	Under 45	61%	34%	5%
	45 or older	60%	31%	9%
Gender	Men	50%	43%	7%
	Women	69%	23%	7%
White Evangelical Chris	tians	45%	44%	11%
Interview Type	Landline	63%	29%	8%
	Cell phone	58%	35%	7%

Would you definitely vote for or definitely vote against a candidate for Congress who wants to require background checks for gun purchases at gun shows or other private sales?

		Definitely vote for	Definitely vote against	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
National Registered Voters		86%	9%	5%
Gun Owners		83%	12%	5%
Party Identification	Democrat	88%	9%	4%
	Republican	85%	10%	5%
	Independent	87%	8%	6%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	88%	10%	2%
	Soft Democrats	89%	6%	4%
	Just Independents	80%	11%	9%
	Soft Republicans	89%	6%	5%
	Strong Republicans	82%	13%	5%
Trump Supporters		84%	11%	6%
Region	Northeast	91%	4%	5%
	Midwest	84%	9%	7%
	South	86%	11%	3%
	West	84%	9%	7%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	85%	10%	5%
	\$50,000 or more	87%	9%	5%
Education	Not college graduate	85%	10%	5%
	College graduate	88%	7%	5%
Race	White	90%	7%	4%
	African American	78%	16%	6%
	Latino	83%	10%	7%
Race and Education	White - Not College Graduate	86%	10%	4%
	White - College Graduate	92%	5%	4%
Age	18 to 29	86%	12%	2%
	30 to 44	84%	8%	7%
	45 to 59	88%	7%	5%
	60 or older	85%	10%	5%
Age	Under 45	85%	10%	5%
	45 or older	87%	8%	5%
Gender	Men	83%	13%	5%
	Women	89%	6%	5%
White Evangelical Christians		84%	9%	7%
Interview Type	Landline	89%	7%	4%
	Cell phone	84%	10%	6%

Would you definitely vote for or definitely vote against a candidate for Congress who wants increased funding for mental health screening and treatment?

		Definitely vote for	Definitely vote against Row %	Unsure Row %
		Row %		
National Registered Vot	ers	91%	4%	5%
Gun Owners		91%	3%	6%
Party Identification	Democrat	93%	3%	5%
	Republican	90%	5%	5%
	Independent	90%	5%	4%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	96%	1%	3%
	Soft Democrats	92%	5%	3%
	Just Independents	89%	3%	9%
	Soft Republicans	88%	6%	6%
	Strong Republicans	90%	7%	3%
Trump Supporters		89%	6%	4%
Region	Northeast	90%	5%	5%
	Midwest	91%	5%	4%
	South	91%	4%	5%
	West	92%	4%	4%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	89%	6%	5%
	\$50,000 or more	93%	3%	3%
Education	Not college graduate	88%	6%	6%
	College graduate	94%	3%	3%
Race	White	92%	4%	4%
	African American	92%	3%	5%
	Latino	92%	3%	5%
Race and Education	White - Not College Graduate	89%	5%	6%
	White - College Graduate	94%	3%	3%
Age	18 to 29	94%	4%	2%
	30 to 44	95%	2%	3%
	45 to 59	92%	4%	4%
	60 or older	87%	6%	7%
Age	Under 45	95%	3%	3%
	45 or older	89%	5%	6%
Gender	Men	92%	4%	4%
	Women	90%	5%	5%
White Evangelical Christians		90%	6%	5%
Interview Type	Landline	87%	4%	8%
	Cell phone	93%	5%	2%