

How the Survey was Conducted

Nature of the Sample: McClatchy-Marist Poll of 1,465 National Adults

This survey of 1,465 adults was conducted October 29th through November 4th, 2015 by The Marist Poll sponsored and funded in partnership with the McClatchy News Service. Adults 18 years of age and older residing in the continental United States were interviewed in English or Spanish 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. Respondents in the household were then selected by first asking for the youngest male. 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 2013 American Community Survey 1-year estimates for age, gender, income, race, and region. Results are statistically significant within ± 2.6 percentage points. There are 1,080 registered voters. The results for this subset are statistically significant within ± 3.0 percentage points. The error margin was not adjusted for sample weights and increases for cross-tabulations.

Nature of the Sample

		National Adults	National Registered Voters
		Col %	Col %
National Adults		100%	
National Registered Voters		74%	100%
Party Identification^	Democrat	n/a	33%
	Republican	n/a	26%
	Independent	n/a	39%
	Other	n/a	1%
Party Identification^	Strong Democrats	n/a	24%
	Not strong Democrats	n/a	10%
	Democratic leaning independents	n/a	15%
	Just Independents	n/a	10%
	Republican leaning independents	n/a	14%
	Not strong Republicans	n/a	10%
	Strong Republicans	n/a	16%
	Other	n/a	1%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal	n/a	8%
	Liberal	n/a	18%
	Moderate	n/a	40%
	Conservative	n/a	25%
	Very conservative	n/a	9%
Tea Party Supporters^		n/a	22%
Republicans	Support Tea Party	n/a	40%
	Do Not Support Tea Party	n/a	60%
Gender	Men	49%	49%
	Women	51%	51%
Age	Under 45	47%	39%
	45 or older	53%	61%
Age	18 to 29	22%	16%
	30 to 44	25%	23%
	45 to 59	26%	29%
	60 or older	26%	32%
Race	White	62%	67%
	African American	11%	11%
	Latino	14%	11%
	Other	12%	11%
Region	Northeast	18%	19%
	Midwest	22%	23%
	South	37%	36%
	West	23%	22%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	47%	42%
	\$50,000 or more	53%	58%
Education	Not college graduate	56%	51%
	College graduate	44%	49%
Marital Status	Married	50%	55%
	Not married	50%	45%
Interview Type	Landline	35%	40%
	Cell phone	65%	60%

McClatchy-Marist Poll National Adults. Interviews conducted October 29th through November 4th, 2015, n=1465 MOE +/- 2.6 percentage points. ^National Registered Voters: n=1080 MOE +/- 3.0 percentage points. Totals may not add to 100% due to rounding.

McClatchy-Marist Poll National Tables

		National Registered Voters		
		From what you have seen or heard about the Congressional Republicans' investigation into the attack on the U.S. diplomatic outpost in Benghazi, Libya while Hillary Clinton was Secretary of State:		
		Do you think Hillary Clinton has sufficiently answered questions about the incident in Benghazi	Do you think the Republicans should continue their investigation	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
National Registered Voters		49%	45%	6%
Party Identification	Democrat	79%	15%	5%
	Republican	15%	80%	5%
	Independent	46%	48%	6%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	80%	15%	5%
	Soft Democrats	73%	22%	6%
	Just Independents	37%	56%	7%
	Soft Republicans	26%	67%	7%
	Strong Republicans	10%	86%	4%
Tea Party Supporters		17%	76%	7%
Republicans	Support Tea Party	8%	86%	5%
	Do Not Support Tea Party	27%	67%	6%
Political Ideology	Very liberal-Liberal	73%	23%	4%
	Moderate	55%	39%	6%
	Conservative-Very conservative	24%	71%	4%
Region	Northeast	59%	36%	5%
	Midwest	46%	50%	4%
	South	47%	48%	6%
	West	46%	45%	9%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	45%	47%	8%
	\$50,000 or more	53%	44%	3%
Education	Not college graduate	42%	51%	7%
	College graduate	56%	40%	4%
Race	White	45%	49%	6%
	African American	74%	23%	3%
	Latino	53%	39%	8%
Age	18 to 29	41%	53%	6%
	30 to 44	49%	45%	6%
	45 to 59	51%	44%	6%
	60 or older	51%	44%	6%
Age	Under 45	46%	49%	6%
	45 or older	51%	44%	6%
Gender	Men	45%	49%	6%
	Women	52%	42%	6%
Marital Status	Married	50%	45%	5%
	Not married	48%	46%	7%
Interview Type	Landline	50%	44%	6%
	Cell phone	48%	46%	6%

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		National Registered Voters			
		From what you have seen or heard about the controversy over Hillary Clinton's use of a private email server while Secretary of State, do you think Hillary Clinton:			
		Did something unethical, but not			
		Did something illegal	illegal	Did nothing wrong	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
National Registered Voters		28%	40%	27%	5%
Party Identification	Democrat	6%	40%	49%	5%
	Republican	56%	32%	9%	3%
	Independent	27%	46%	22%	5%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	4%	36%	55%	4%
	Soft Democrats	9%	53%	33%	5%
	Just Independents	31%	38%	22%	10%
	Soft Republicans	43%	40%	13%	4%
	Strong Republicans	66%	29%	3%	2%
Tea Party Supporters		57%	28%	10%	4%
Republicans	Support Tea Party	68%	25%	4%	3%
	Do Not Support Tea Party	42%	43%	12%	3%
Political Ideology	Very liberal-Liberal	10%	41%	45%	4%
	Moderate	20%	49%	28%	3%
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