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McClatchy-Marist Poll*

**Voters Divide over Obama's Job Performance...
Concerned about Handling of Foreign Policy**

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This McClatchy-Marist Poll Reports:

Although registered voters nationally divide about how President Barack Obama is doing his job, the president's approval rating, 48%, has steadily inched up over the last several months and is at its highest point since April 2013. At that time, 50% rated Obama highly. The president is well-liked by 50% of voters nationally, up slightly from 47% in August. This is President Obama's highest favorable score since April 2013 when 53% thought well of him.

On his handling of the economy, President Obama's rating is upside down, 47% to 50%. When it comes to whether or not voters think Mr. Obama inherited the nation's current economic conditions, half of voters, 50%, still think the economy is something his predecessor handed over to Mr. Obama. However, the proportion of the electorate who thinks the current economic conditions are a result of the president's own policies, 45%, is the highest since McClatchy-Marist began reporting this question in April 2009.

Looking at the other areas of the president's job performance, voters nationally also divide, 49% to 47%, about Mr. Obama's handling of race relations in the United States. However, the president's scores are in negative territory when it comes to his dealing with foreign policy and his handling of ISIS. Nearly six in ten voters, 57% *disapprove* of how Mr. Obama is dealing with foreign policy issues, and 58% *disapprove* of how he is handling the terrorist group ISIS.

Interestingly, independent voters express greater dissatisfaction with President Obama's job performance than in the past. Among independents, 51% currently disapprove of how Mr.

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Obama is doing his job, overall. In August, independents divided, 45% who disapproved to 44% who approved. Majorities of independents also express disapproval with how the president is handling foreign policy, 64%, his dealing with ISIS, 59%, and his handling of the economy, 55%.

Although the job approval ratings of congressional Democrats, 38% up from 28%, and congressional Republicans, 23% slightly up from 19%, are still low, there has been an improvement in voters' perceptions.

Americans remain cautiously optimistic about their family's finances. 52% expect their personal finances to stay about the same in the coming year. 33% think their money matters will get better while 15% say they will get worse. However, a notable proportion of residents, 59%, report they worry, at least sometimes, that their family's income will not be able to meet their expenses.

What does all this mean for the direction of the nation? Americans remain pessimistic. 59% of residents, little changed from 60% in August, believe the United States is moving in the wrong direction.

Poll points:

- 48% of registered voters nationally approve of the job President Barack Obama is doing in office, and 48% disapprove. In August, voters also divided, 47% to 47%.
- While Democrats, 85%, rate Mr. Obama highly, Republicans, 89%, disapprove of the president's job performance. Among independents, President Obama's approval rating is upside down, 45% to 51%. Independents previously divided, 44% who approved to 45% who disapproved.
- Half of voters, 50%, have a favorable opinion of President Obama, and 47% have an unfavorable view of him. In August, 47% thought well of Mr. Obama, and 48% expressed an unfavorable attitude toward the president.
- 47% of voters approve of President Obama's handling of the economy, the highest score he has received on this issue since October 2009 when 48% agreed with his approach. 50% currently disapprove.
- 51% of adults, including 50% of registered voters, say the nation's economic conditions are something President Obama inherited from President George W. Bush. 43% of residents, including 45% of voters, think they are a result of his own policies.
- 49% of voters approve of how President Obama is handling race relations. 47% disapprove.
- A racial divide exists. 55% of non-white voters approve of how the president is taking on race relations while 51% of white voters disapprove.
- 38% of voters approve of President Obama's handling of foreign policy, and 57% disapprove. These proportions are little changed from 39% and 54%, respectively, in August.

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- While 72% of Democrats approve of the president's approach toward foreign policy, 91% of Republicans disapprove. 64% of independents, an increase from 51%, disapprove.
- 34% of voters approve of how President Obama is handling ISIS, but a majority, 58%, disapproves. In August, 54% of voters disapproved of how the president was dealing with ISIS.
- 63% of Americans, a slight increase from 59%, support sending U.S. ground forces to combat ISIS. This includes 25% who think a large number of ground forces should be deployed and 38% who think at least a limited number should be. Fewer than three in ten adults nationally, 29%, oppose sending any ground troops.

Congressional Democrats and Republicans No Longer Rock Bottom

- 38% of voters approve of how the Democrats in Congress are doing their job. This is up from 28% in August. Still, a majority of voters, 55%, disapprove of how they are doing their job.
- 23% of voters approve of how the Republicans in Congress are performing. In August, 19% had this view. Seven in ten, 70%, are dissatisfied with how the Republicans are doing their job.

Majority Says Personal Finances Status Quo, but Many Still Worry about Making Ends Meet

- 52% of adults think their family finances will remain the same in the coming year. 33% think they will get better, and 15% believe they will get worse. This is little changed from when McClatchy-Marist last asked this question.
- 59% of Americans worry that their family income will not be enough to meet their family's expenses and bills. This includes about one in four adults, 24%, who reports they always worry they will not be able to meet their family's needs and 35% who sometimes have this view. In October 2011, 64% expressed concern about making ends meet. 21% now say they seldom have this concern, and 20% never have this worry.

Americans Remain Pessimistic about the Direction of the Country

- Nearly six in ten residents nationally, 59%, think the nation is moving in the wrong direction while 36% believe it is moving in the right one. Six percent are unsure. In August, 60% said the country was off track, and 34% reported it was on the right course.

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.

		National Registered Voters		
		Do you approve or disapprove of the job Barack Obama is doing as president?		
		Approve	Disapprove	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
National Registered Voters		48%	48%	4%
Party Identification	Democrat	85%	11%	3%
	Republican	8%	89%	3%
	Independent	45%	51%	4%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	90%	7%	2%
	Soft Democrats	74%	21%	4%
	Just Independents	41%	50%	9%
	Soft Republicans	17%	80%	4%
	Strong Republicans	3%	97%	1%
Tea Party Supporters		19%	78%	3%
Republicans	Support Tea Party	6%	93%	1%
	Do Not Support Tea Party	14%	82%	3%
Political Ideology	Very liberal-Liberal	83%	14%	4%
	Moderate	53%	43%	4%
	Conservative-Very conservative	18%	80%	2%
Region	Northeast	58%	37%	5%
	Midwest	44%	50%	6%
	South	45%	53%	2%
	West	50%	47%	3%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	49%	47%	4%
	\$50,000 or more	49%	48%	3%
Education	Not college graduate	46%	50%	4%
	College graduate	52%	45%	3%
Race	White	39%	57%	4%
	African American	91%	8%	2%
	Latino	62%	34%	3%
Age	18 to 29	57%	36%	7%
	30 to 44	53%	44%	3%
	45 to 59	43%	53%	4%
	60 or older	45%	53%	3%
Age	Under 45	55%	41%	4%
	45 or older	44%	53%	3%
Gender	Men	46%	51%	3%
	Women	51%	45%	5%
Marital Status	Married	44%	53%	3%
	Not married	54%	41%	4%
Interview Type	Landline	46%	49%	4%
	Cell phone	50%	47%	3%

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*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%
November 2015	48%	48%	4%
August 2015	47%	47%	7%
March 2015	46%	50%	4%
December 2014	43%	52%	5%
October 2014	46%	51%	3%
August 2014	40%	52%	8%
July 2014	40%	49%	11%
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%
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		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		23%	70%	7%
Party Identification	Democrat	7%	88%	5%
	Republican	39%	51%	10%
	Independent	25%	68%	7%
Tea Party Supporters		31%	60%	8%
Political Ideology	Very liberal-Liberal	15%	79%	6%
	Moderate	20%	73%	7%
	Conservative-Very conservative	31%	60%	8%
Region	Northeast	25%	71%	4%
	Midwest	26%	66%	8%
	South	21%	70%	9%
	West	21%	75%	4%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	25%	64%	10%
	\$50,000 or more	21%	74%	5%
Education	Not college graduate	24%	68%	8%
	College graduate	21%	72%	7%
Race	White	24%	69%	7%
	Non-white	21%	73%	6%
Age	Under 45	30%	61%	9%
	45 or older	18%	77%	6%
Gender	Men	22%	73%	5%
	Women	23%	68%	9%
Marital Status	Married	21%	73%	6%
	Not married	24%	66%	9%
Interview Type	Landline	18%	72%	10%
	Cell phone	26%	69%	5%

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	Registered Voters		
	Do you approve or disapprove of the job the Republicans in Congress are doing in office?		
	Approve	Disapprove	Unsure
	Row %	Row %	Row %
November 2015	23%	70%	7%
August 2015	19%	68%	13%
March 2015	33%	61%	6%
December 2014	28%	66%	6%
October 2014	24%	71%	5%
August 2014	22%	68%	10%
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%
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		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		38%	55%	7%
Party Identification	Democrat	65%	28%	7%
	Republican	10%	84%	6%
	Independent	34%	59%	7%
Tea Party Supporters		17%	77%	5%
Political Ideology	Very liberal-Liberal	63%	32%	5%
	Moderate	32%	59%	8%
	Conservative-Very conservative	21%	75%	3%
Region	Northeast	42%	57%	1%
	Midwest	40%	53%	7%
	South	34%	56%	10%
	West	40%	55%	4%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	44%	49%	7%
	\$50,000 or more	36%	59%	5%
Education	Not college graduate	39%	53%	7%
	College graduate	36%	58%	6%
Race	White	31%	63%	6%
	Non-white	53%	41%	6%
Age	Under 45	44%	47%	9%
	45 or older	34%	61%	5%
Gender	Men	38%	59%	3%
	Women	39%	52%	10%
Marital Status	Married	33%	63%	3%
	Not married	45%	45%	11%
Interview Type	Landline	33%	58%	9%
	Cell phone	41%	54%	5%

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	Row %	Row %	Row %
November 2015	38%	55%	7%
August 2015	28%	60%	12%
March 2015	30%	64%	6%
December 2014	27%	65%	9%
October 2014	33%	61%	6%
August 2014	32%	59%	9%
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%
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		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		47%	50%	3%
Party Identification	Democrat	84%	14%	2%
	Republican	11%	87%	2%
	Independent	42%	55%	4%
Tea Party Supporters		19%	80%	2%
Political Ideology	Very liberal-Liberal	87%	9%	4%
	Moderate	53%	45%	2%
	Conservative-Very conservative	17%	82%	1%
Region	Northeast	57%	38%	5%
	Midwest	37%	58%	5%
	South	46%	53%	1%
	West	51%	48%	2%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	44%	52%	4%
	\$50,000 or more	49%	50%	1%
Education	Not college graduate	46%	51%	3%
	College graduate	50%	48%	2%
Race	White	38%	58%	3%
	Non-white	65%	32%	3%
Age	Under 45	51%	47%	1%
	45 or older	44%	53%	3%
Gender	Men	46%	52%	2%
	Women	48%	48%	4%
Marital Status	Married	43%	56%	1%
	Not married	53%	43%	4%
Interview Type	Landline	45%	51%	4%
	Cell phone	48%	49%	2%

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	Registered Voters		
	Do you approve or disapprove of how President Barack Obama is handling the economy?		
	Approve	Disapprove	Unsure
	Row %	Row %	Row %
November	47%	50%	3%
August 2015	45%	50%	5%
March 2015	45%	50%	5%
December 2014	41%	55%	4%
October 2014	41%	57%	2%
August 2014	39%	58%	3%
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%
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		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		38%	57%	4%
Party Identification	Democrat	72%	22%	7%
	Republican	8%	91%	0%
	Independent	31%	64%	5%
Tea Party Supporters		14%	86%	1%
Political Ideology	Very liberal-Liberal	72%	23%	5%
	Moderate	36%	58%	6%
	Conservative-Very conservative	19%	79%	1%
Region	Northeast	47%	51%	2%
	Midwest	37%	60%	3%
	South	34%	60%	6%
	West	38%	57%	5%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	34%	60%	6%
	\$50,000 or more	40%	58%	2%
Education	Not college graduate	36%	59%	4%
	College graduate	41%	55%	4%
Race	White	31%	65%	4%
	Non-white	54%	41%	5%
Age	Under 45	42%	55%	3%
	45 or older	36%	60%	4%
Gender	Men	35%	62%	2%
	Women	41%	52%	6%
Marital Status	Married	33%	61%	6%
	Not married	45%	52%	3%
Interview Type	Landline	35%	60%	5%
	Cell phone	41%	56%	4%

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December 2014	38%	52%	10%
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August 2014	33%	61%	6%
July 2014	37%	53%	10%
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%
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		National Registered Voters		
		Do you approve or disapprove of how President Obama is doing handling ISIS?		
		Approve	Disapprove	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
National Registered Voters		34%	58%	8%
Party Identification	Democrat	59%	30%	11%
	Republican	10%	88%	2%
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Party Identification	Democrat	76%	18%	7%
	Republican	14%	83%	3%
	Independent	51%	45%	4%
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	Midwest	45%	49%	6%
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	College graduate	55%	42%	4%
Race	White	45%	51%	4%
	Non-white	55%	39%	5%
Age	Under 45	49%	48%	2%
	45 or older	47%	47%	6%
Gender	Men	47%	48%	4%
	Women	50%	45%	5%
Marital Status	Married	44%	51%	5%
	Not married	54%	41%	4%
Interview Type	Landline	46%	48%	5%
	Cell phone	51%	45%	4%

McClatchy-Marist Poll National Registered Voters Split Sample. Interviews conducted October 29th through November 4th, 2015, n=535 MOE +/- 4.2 percentage points. Totals may not add to 100% due to rounding.

		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		50%	47%	3%
Party Identification	Democrat	87%	11%	2%
	Republican	10%	87%	3%
	Independent	47%	49%	4%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	92%	7%	1%
	Soft Democrats	75%	21%	4%
	Just Independents	40%	51%	8%
	Soft Republicans	21%	76%	3%
Tea Party Supporters	Strong Republicans	4%	95%	1%
	Republicans	19%	79%	2%
Republicans	Support Tea Party	7%	93%	0%
	Do Not Support Tea Party	18%	78%	4%
Political Ideology	Very liberal-Liberal	84%	13%	2%
	Moderate	56%	40%	4%
	Conservative-Very conservative	18%	80%	2%
Region	Northeast	58%	39%	3%
	Midwest	47%	47%	5%
	South	48%	50%	1%
	West	50%	46%	4%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	49%	47%	4%
	\$50,000 or more	51%	47%	2%
Education	Not college graduate	47%	49%	4%
	College graduate	54%	44%	2%
Race	White	43%	54%	3%
	African American	88%	11%	2%
	Latino	59%	37%	4%
Age	18 to 29	58%	40%	3%
	30 to 44	51%	46%	3%
	45 to 59	49%	48%	3%
	60 or older	47%	50%	3%
Age	Under 45	54%	44%	3%
	45 or older	48%	49%	3%
Gender	Men	48%	50%	3%
	Women	53%	44%	4%
Marital Status	Married	46%	51%	3%
	Not married	55%	41%	4%
Interview Type	Landline	48%	49%	3%
	Cell phone	52%	45%	3%

McClatchy-Marist Poll National Registered Voters. Interviews conducted October 29th through November 4th, 2015, n=1080 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 %
November 2015	50%	47%	3%
August 2015	47%	48%	4%
March 2015	45%	52%	3%
December 2014	44%	54%	3%
October 2014	48%	49%	3%
August 2014	43%	51%	6%
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 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		36%	59%	6%
National Registered Voters		35%	60%	4%
Party Identification [^]	Democrat	60%	33%	7%
	Republican	9%	89%	2%
	Independent	33%	63%	3%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	62%	30%	8%
	Soft Democrats	56%	40%	5%
	Just Independents	31%	63%	6%
	Soft Republicans	14%	85%	1%
	Strong Republicans	4%	95%	1%
Tea Party Supporters [^]		14%	84%	2%
Republicans	Support Tea Party	4%	95%	0%
	Do Not Support Tea Party	13%	85%	2%
Political Ideology [^]	Very liberal-Liberal	60%	34%	6%
	Moderate	36%	59%	5%
	Conservative-Very conservative	16%	82%	1%
Region	Northeast	43%	51%	6%
	Midwest	31%	65%	4%
	South	33%	61%	6%
	West	39%	55%	7%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	33%	61%	6%
	\$50,000 or more	37%	59%	4%
Education	Not college graduate	32%	62%	6%
	College graduate	41%	55%	5%
Race	White	27%	69%	3%
	African American	56%	33%	11%
	Latino	46%	44%	10%
Age	18 to 29	46%	49%	5%
	30 to 44	39%	56%	5%
	45 to 59	31%	64%	5%
	60 or older	28%	66%	6%
Age	Under 45	42%	53%	5%
	45 or older	30%	65%	6%
Gender	Men	35%	60%	5%
	Women	36%	57%	7%
Marital Status	Married	32%	63%	5%
	Not married	39%	55%	6%
Interview Type	Landline	30%	63%	6%
	Cell phone	38%	56%	6%

McClatchy-Marist Poll National Adults. Interviews conducted October 29th through November 4th, 2015, n=1465 MOE +/- 2.6 percentage points.

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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 %
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%
Marist Poll National Adults			

		National Adults		
		Do you think the current economic conditions are mostly something President Obama inherited or are they mostly a result of his own policies?		
		Economic conditions		
		Economic conditions mostly inherited	mostly a result of his own policies	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
National Adults		51%	43%	7%
National Registered Voters		50%	45%	5%
Party Identification^	Democrat	75%	20%	4%
	Republican	19%	77%	4%
	Independent	50%	44%	6%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	77%	18%	5%
	Soft Democrats	70%	26%	3%
	Just Independents	47%	42%	11%
	Soft Republicans	31%	64%	5%
Tea Party Supporters^	Strong Republicans	10%	86%	4%
	Republicans	21%	73%	6%
Republicans	Support Tea Party	13%	81%	5%
	Do Not Support Tea Party	28%	67%	5%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	76%	21%	3%
	Moderate	57%	36%	7%
	Conservative-Very conservative	24%	72%	4%
Region	Northeast	58%	39%	3%
	Midwest	52%	41%	8%
	South	47%	46%	7%
	West	50%	41%	9%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	51%	40%	8%
	\$50,000 or more	52%	44%	4%
Education	Not college graduate	50%	42%	8%
	College graduate	52%	42%	6%
Race	White	46%	48%	6%
	African American	72%	24%	4%
	Latino	53%	35%	12%
Age	18 to 29	57%	35%	8%
	30 to 44	49%	45%	6%
	45 to 59	51%	43%	6%
	60 or older	46%	46%	8%
Age	Under 45	53%	41%	7%
	45 or older	49%	45%	7%
Gender	Men	49%	44%	7%
	Women	52%	41%	7%
Marital Status	Married	43%	50%	7%
	Not married	58%	35%	7%
Interview Type	Landline	48%	45%	8%
	Cell phone	52%	41%	6%

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	Registered Voters		
	Do you think the current economic conditions are mostly something President Obama inherited or are they mostly a result of his own policies?		
	Economic conditions mostly inherited	Economic conditions mostly result of his own policies	Unsure
	Row %	Row %	Row %
November 2015	50%	45%	5%
March 2012	58%	37%	5%
November 2011	60%	32%	8%
September 2011	60%	34%	6%
August 2011	59%	33%	8%
June 2011	61%	31%	9%
April 2011	63%	30%	7%
January 2011	63%	25%	12%
November 29, 2010	65%	28%	8%
October 28, 2010	60%	30%	10%
October 8, 2010	61%	33%	6%
September 21, 2010	59%	35%	6%
June 30, 2010	62%	28%	10%
March 31, 2010	64%	27%	9%
February 8, 2010	62%	29%	9%
December 8, 2009	65%	27%	8%
October 14, 2009	70%	24%	6%
August 12, 2009	74%	18%	8%
June 8, 2009	74%	18%	8%
April 27, 2009	80%	14%	6%
April 8, 2009	76%	13%	11%
Marist Poll National Registered Voters			

		National Adults			
		When it comes to combatting ISIS, the Islamic State group, do you support the United States:			
		Sending a large number of U.S. ground forces	Sending a limited number of U.S. ground forces	Not sending U.S. ground forces at all	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
National Adults		25%	38%	29%	7%
National Registered Voters		28%	37%	29%	6%
Party Identification^	Democrat	17%	41%	33%	9%
	Republican	43%	33%	17%	7%
	Independent	26%	37%	34%	3%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	16%	41%	33%	10%
	Soft Democrats	19%	42%	36%	3%
	Just Independents	30%	24%	41%	4%
	Soft Republicans	33%	40%	23%	5%
	Strong Republicans	48%	30%	16%	6%
Tea Party Supporters^		42%	35%	19%	4%
Republicans	Support Tea Party	48%	35%	14%	4%
	Do Not Support Tea Party	33%	37%	23%	7%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	14%	40%	39%	8%
	Moderate	27%	40%	29%	4%
	Conservative-Very conservative	39%	34%	22%	5%
Region	Northeast	24%	39%	31%	6%
	Midwest	23%	40%	31%	6%
	South	30%	35%	26%	9%
	West	22%	40%	32%	7%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	23%	35%	34%	8%
	\$50,000 or more	29%	40%	26%	5%
Education	Not college graduate	28%	31%	32%	8%
	College graduate	22%	47%	25%	5%
Race	White	27%	37%	29%	7%
	African American	26%	38%	26%	10%
	Latino	26%	39%	30%	6%
Age	18 to 29	19%	46%	28%	7%
	30 to 44	27%	39%	29%	6%
	45 to 59	30%	33%	31%	6%
	60 or older	26%	35%	30%	9%
Age	Under 45	23%	42%	29%	6%
	45 or older	28%	34%	30%	7%
Gender	Men	29%	36%	30%	5%
	Women	22%	39%	29%	10%
Marital Status	Married	28%	37%	28%	7%
	Not married	22%	40%	30%	7%
Interview Type	Landline	23%	36%	31%	10%
	Cell phone	27%	39%	29%	6%

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		National Adults		
		In the coming year, do you expect your personal family finances to get better, get worse, or stay about the same?		
		Get better	Get worse	Stay about the same
		Row %	Row %	Row %
National Adults		33%	15%	52%
National Registered Voters		29%	17%	54%
Party Identification^	Democrat	39%	9%	52%
	Republican	18%	25%	57%
	Independent	28%	18%	54%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	42%	8%	50%
	Soft Democrats	36%	11%	53%
	Just Independents	24%	24%	51%
	Soft Republicans	20%	22%	59%
Tea Party Supporters^	Strong Republicans	15%	29%	56%
	Support Tea Party	22%	27%	52%
Republicans	Do Not Support Tea Party	15%	29%	55%
		19%	21%	60%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	38%	10%	52%
	Moderate	31%	12%	57%
	Conservative-Very conservative	19%	27%	54%
Region	Northeast	34%	11%	55%
	Midwest	31%	17%	52%
	South	33%	18%	49%
	West	35%	12%	53%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	34%	18%	48%
	\$50,000 or more	34%	12%	54%
Education	Not college graduate	34%	17%	49%
	College graduate	32%	12%	56%
Race	White	24%	19%	57%
	African American	56%	6%	39%
	Latino	52%	7%	41%
Age	18 to 29	51%	11%	38%
	30 to 44	39%	9%	52%
	45 to 59	29%	17%	54%
	60 or older	15%	24%	61%
Age	Under 45	45%	10%	45%
	45 or older	22%	20%	57%
Gender	Men	34%	15%	51%
	Women	32%	16%	52%
Marital Status	Married	27%	17%	56%
	Not married	39%	13%	48%
Interview Type	Landline	21%	20%	59%
	Cell phone	39%	13%	48%

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	National Adults		
	In the coming year, do you expect your personal family finances to get better, get worse, or stay about the same?		
	Get better	Get worse	Stay about the same
	Row %	Row %	Row %
November 2015	33%	15%	52%
September 2015	34%	13%	52%
December 2014	32%	17%	51%
October 2014	30%	17%	54%
February 2014	35%	11%	54%
July 2013	29%	19%	52%
March 2013	26%	26%	48%
March 2012	32%	14%	55%
November 2011	22%	19%	59%
September 2011	28%	17%	55%
August 2011	25%	26%	49%
July 2011	28%	20%	52%
April 2011	27%	25%	48%
December 2010	29%	19%	52%
September 21, 2010	30%	18%	52%
June 9, 2010	33%	15%	52%
April 15, 2009	28%	22%	50%
Marist Poll National Adults			

		National Adults			
		How often do you worry that your total family income will not be enough to meet your family's expenses and bills:			
		Always	Sometimes	Seldom	Never
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
National Adults		24%	35%	21%	20%
National Registered Voters		24%	34%	21%	22%
Party Identification^	Democrat	22%	30%	24%	24%
	Republican	22%	39%	17%	22%
	Independent	25%	34%	20%	21%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	23%	32%	25%	21%
	Soft Democrats	20%	30%	23%	27%
	Just Independents	36%	28%	11%	24%
	Soft Republicans	20%	42%	23%	16%
Tea Party Supporters^	Strong Republicans	25%	36%	16%	23%
	Support Tea Party	28%	35%	16%	21%
Republicans	Do Not Support Tea Party	24%	40%	17%	19%
		21%	39%	22%	18%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	22%	29%	25%	23%
	Moderate	19%	34%	23%	24%
	Conservative-Very conservative	29%	40%	14%	17%
Region	Northeast	20%	39%	22%	19%
	Midwest	20%	31%	24%	24%
	South	29%	35%	18%	18%
	West	24%	33%	21%	22%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	34%	38%	16%	12%
	\$50,000 or more	16%	31%	26%	27%
Education	Not college graduate	29%	39%	15%	16%
	College graduate	18%	30%	27%	25%
Race	White	23%	34%	22%	22%
	African American	28%	41%	12%	19%
	Latino	27%	35%	20%	17%
Age	18 to 29	17%	38%	24%	21%
	30 to 44	23%	36%	21%	19%
	45 to 59	32%	36%	18%	14%
	60 or older	23%	30%	20%	27%
Age	Under 45	21%	37%	22%	20%
	45 or older	28%	33%	19%	21%
Gender	Men	22%	35%	21%	22%
	Women	27%	34%	20%	19%
Marital Status	Married	22%	35%	21%	22%
	Not married	26%	35%	20%	19%
Interview Type	Landline	24%	31%	21%	24%
	Cell phone	24%	37%	20%	19%

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