

How the Survey was Conducted

Nature of the Sample: McClatchy-Marist Poll of 1,073 National Adults

This survey of 1,073 adults was conducted February 15th through February 19th, 2017 by The Marist Poll, sponsored and funded in partnership with McClatchy. 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. 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 randomly selected by first asking for the youngest male. This landline sample was combined with respondents reached through random dialing of cell phone numbers from Survey Sampling International. After the interviews were completed, the two samples were 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 ± 3.0 percentage points. There are 865 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.

Nature of the Sample

		National Adults	National Registered Voters
		Col %	Col %
National Adults		100%	
National Registered Voters		81%	100%
Party Identification	Democrat	n/a	34%
	Republican	n/a	25%
	Independent	n/a	40%
	Other	n/a	1%
Party Identification	Strong Democrats	n/a	22%
	Not strong Democrats	n/a	12%
	Democratic leaning independents	n/a	18%
	Just Independents	n/a	8%
	Republican leaning independents	n/a	14%
	Not strong Republicans	n/a	9%
	Strong Republicans	n/a	16%
	Other	n/a	1%
Political Ideology	Very liberal	n/a	8%
	Liberal	n/a	21%
	Moderate	n/a	32%
	Conservative	n/a	27%
	Very conservative	n/a	12%
Tea Party Supporters		n/a	23%
Gender	Men	49%	48%
	Women	51%	52%
Age	Under 45	47%	41%
	45 or older	53%	59%
Age	18 to 29	22%	18%
	30 to 44	25%	24%
	45 to 59	26%	29%
	60 or older	26%	30%
Race	White	62%	66%
	African American	11%	11%
	Latino	14%	11%
	Other	12%	11%
Region	Northeast	18%	18%
	Midwest	21%	22%
	South	37%	36%
	West	24%	24%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	47%	45%
	\$50,000 or more	53%	55%
Education	Not college graduate	57%	55%
	College graduate	43%	45%
Education by Race	White - Not College Graduate	36%	38%
	White - College Graduate	27%	30%
	Non-White - Not College Graduate	21%	17%
	Non-White - College Graduate	16%	16%
White Evangelical Christians		20%	22%
Interview Type	Landline	40%	44%
	Cell phone	60%	56%

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McClatchy-Marist Poll National Tables

		National Adults			
		So far, do you think the news media has been too tough, about right, or not tough enough in its coverage of Donald Trump and his administration?			
		Too tough	About right	Not tough enough	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
National Adults		37%	24%	32%	7%
National Registered Voters		38%	25%	31%	6%
Party Identification^	Democrat	15%	33%	49%	4%
	Republican	74%	12%	6%	8%
	Independent	35%	27%	32%	6%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	10%	32%	54%	4%
	Soft Democrats	17%	35%	45%	3%
	Soft Republicans	65%	20%	8%	7%
	Strong Republicans	82%	8%	3%	8%
Tea Party Supporters^		65%	11%	16%	8%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	11%	34%	51%	4%
	Moderate	31%	33%	28%	7%
	Conservative-Very conservative	64%	13%	17%	6%
Trump Supporters		75%	12%	4%	8%
Region	Northeast	33%	25%	37%	5%
	Midwest	37%	32%	24%	8%
	South	38%	21%	33%	9%
	West	37%	21%	36%	6%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	32%	20%	41%	8%
	\$50,000 or more	43%	28%	25%	5%
Education	Not college graduate	39%	19%	34%	8%
	College graduate	34%	32%	30%	5%
Race	White	40%	26%	28%	6%
	African American	11%	30%	52%	7%
	Latino	32%	17%	40%	11%
Race and Education	White - Not College Graduate	45%	20%	28%	7%
	White - College Graduate	34%	35%	28%	3%
Age	18 to 29	28%	24%	42%	6%
	30 to 44	40%	28%	26%	7%
	45 to 59	40%	19%	33%	7%
	60 or older	38%	25%	29%	9%
Age	Under 45	34%	26%	33%	6%
	45 or older	39%	22%	31%	8%
Gender	Men	38%	25%	30%	7%
	Women	35%	23%	34%	7%
White Evangelical Christians		57%	19%	18%	5%
Interview Type	Landline	38%	22%	31%	9%
	Cell phone	36%	25%	33%	6%

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		National Adults			
		So far, do you think Donald Trump and his administration have been too tough, about right, or not tough enough on the media?			
		Too tough	About right	Not tough enough	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
National Adults		44%	23%	27%	7%
National Registered Voters		45%	22%	27%	6%
Party Identification^	Democrat	66%	11%	16%	7%
	Republican	15%	34%	45%	5%
	Independent	47%	24%	25%	4%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	67%	8%	18%	8%
	Soft Democrats	67%	13%	15%	5%
	Soft Republicans	23%	35%	39%	3%
	Strong Republicans	9%	39%	46%	6%
Tea Party Supporters^		17%	31%	48%	4%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	73%	9%	15%	4%
	Moderate	47%	23%	24%	6%
	Conservative-Very conservative	25%	33%	38%	4%
Trump Supporters		15%	38%	43%	4%
Region	Northeast	49%	22%	22%	6%
	Midwest	44%	23%	25%	8%
	South	38%	21%	33%	8%
	West	47%	25%	22%	6%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	41%	18%	32%	8%
	\$50,000 or more	46%	26%	23%	4%
Education	Not college graduate	40%	22%	31%	7%
	College graduate	51%	24%	21%	5%
Race	White	45%	26%	24%	5%
	African American	56%	7%	22%	16%
	Latino	44%	13%	34%	9%
Race and Education	White - Not College Graduate	40%	26%	29%	5%
	White - College Graduate	55%	26%	16%	3%
Age	18 to 29	46%	16%	29%	9%
	30 to 44	44%	20%	29%	7%
	45 to 59	44%	26%	25%	5%
	60 or older	42%	27%	24%	8%
Age	Under 45	45%	18%	29%	8%
	45 or older	43%	27%	24%	7%
Gender	Men	41%	25%	29%	6%
	Women	46%	20%	25%	9%
White Evangelical Christians		30%	34%	33%	3%
Interview Type	Landline	43%	24%	25%	9%
	Cell phone	44%	21%	28%	6%

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		National Adults					
		Which one of the following would you say is your favorite source for news about current events:					
		TV	Online news sites or mobile news apps	Social media such as Facebook or Twitter	Radio	Newspapers or magazines	Vol: Other
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
National Adults		44%	25%	12%	11%	7%	1%
National Registered Voters		44%	25%	11%	12%	8%	1%
Party Identification^	Democrat	52%	24%	7%	9%	8%	0%
	Republican	51%	20%	8%	16%	5%	1%
	Independent	35%	29%	16%	10%	9%	1%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	54%	24%	6%	7%	9%	0%
	Soft Democrats	37%	26%	17%	10%	10%	0%
	Soft Republicans	36%	30%	11%	14%	8%	1%
	Strong Republicans	57%	18%	6%	14%	3%	1%
Tea Party Supporters^		43%	24%	15%	14%	3%	0%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	37%	31%	13%	9%	10%	0%
	Moderate	44%	23%	11%	11%	10%	1%
	Conservative-Very conservative	50%	23%	8%	14%	4%	1%
Trump Supporters		49%	23%	8%	15%	5%	1%
Region	Northeast	48%	26%	8%	5%	12%	1%
	Midwest	42%	25%	12%	9%	7%	3%
	South	45%	23%	15%	11%	6%	1%
	West	39%	27%	12%	17%	6%	0%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	50%	18%	18%	8%	5%	1%
	\$50,000 or more	38%	31%	8%	12%	9%	1%
Education	Not college graduate	51%	20%	15%	8%	5%	1%
	College graduate	34%	32%	8%	14%	10%	2%
Race	White	43%	26%	11%	12%	8%	1%
	African American	55%	17%	16%	7%	5%	0%
	Latino	47%	23%	17%	8%	5%	1%
Race and Education	White - Not College Graduate	52%	22%	13%	10%	4%	0%
	White - College Graduate	32%	31%	7%	16%	13%	1%
Age	18 to 29	27%	36%	29%	5%	2%	1%
	30 to 44	28%	32%	17%	15%	6%	2%
	45 to 59	51%	23%	5%	13%	7%	0%
	60 or older	64%	9%	2%	9%	14%	2%
Age	Under 45	28%	34%	22%	11%	4%	1%
	45 or older	58%	16%	4%	11%	10%	1%
Gender	Men	35%	30%	13%	11%	11%	2%
	Women	52%	20%	12%	11%	4%	1%
White Evangelical Christians		50%	19%	12%	15%	3%	1%
Interview Type	Landline	58%	14%	7%	10%	9%	2%
	Cell phone	35%	31%	16%	11%	6%	1%

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		Adults with a Favorite News Source		
		Who do you trust more:		
		Your favorite news source	Donald Trump	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
Adults with a Favorite News Source		67%	28%	5%
National Registered Voters		67%	29%	4%
Party Identification^	Democrat	94%	4%	3%
	Republican	28%	68%	4%
	Independent	67%	28%	5%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	94%	4%	2%
	Soft Democrats	91%	7%	2%
	Soft Republicans	40%	55%	5%
	Strong Republicans	20%	76%	4%
Tea Party Supporters^		40%	56%	4%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	92%	7%	1%
	Moderate	72%	21%	7%
	Conservative-Very conservative	43%	53%	4%
Trump Supporters		28%	68%	4%
Region	Northeast	71%	26%	2%
	Midwest	66%	29%	6%
	South	65%	30%	5%
	West	69%	26%	5%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	72%	23%	5%
	\$50,000 or more	64%	32%	3%
Education	Not college graduate	63%	32%	5%
	College graduate	73%	23%	4%
Race	White	65%	31%	5%
	African American	84%	10%	5%
	Latino	74%	22%	5%
Race and Education	White - Not College Graduate	57%	37%	6%
	White - College Graduate	75%	21%	4%
Age	18 to 29	77%	18%	6%
	30 to 44	72%	27%	1%
	45 to 59	62%	34%	5%
	60 or older	61%	32%	7%
Age	Under 45	74%	22%	3%
	45 or older	61%	33%	6%
Gender	Men	65%	30%	5%
	Women	69%	26%	4%
White Evangelical Christians		49%	45%	5%
Interview Type	Landline	64%	29%	7%
	Cell phone	69%	27%	3%

McClatchy-Marist Poll National Adults with a Favorite News Source. Interviews conducted February 15th through February 19th, 2017, n=987 MOE +/- 3.1 percentage points.

^National Registered Voters with a Favorite News Source: n=804 MOE +/- 3.5 percentage points. Totals may not add to 100% due to rounding.

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		National Adults				
		How much do you trust Donald Trump and his administration to deliver accurate and factual information to the public:				
		A great deal	A good amount	Not very much	Not at all	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
National Adults		17%	22%	21%	38%	2%
National Registered Voters		18%	23%	17%	40%	2%
Party Identification^	Democrat	4%	5%	28%	61%	1%
	Republican	45%	43%	8%	3%	1%
	Independent	14%	26%	14%	45%	1%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	4%	4%	23%	67%	1%
	Soft Democrats	4%	8%	25%	63%	1%
	Soft Republicans	29%	47%	12%	11%	1%
	Strong Republicans	52%	42%	4%	0%	2%
Tea Party Supporters^		37%	41%	11%	10%	1%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	4%	4%	20%	72%	0%
	Moderate	10%	25%	23%	40%	2%
	Conservative-Very conservative	35%	39%	12%	13%	1%
Trump Supporters		43%	46%	7%	2%	1%
Region	Northeast	15%	19%	22%	43%	0%
	Midwest	14%	28%	20%	35%	3%
	South	19%	22%	23%	34%	2%
	West	18%	20%	19%	42%	2%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	15%	20%	27%	37%	1%
	\$50,000 or more	19%	25%	17%	38%	1%
Education	Not college graduate	18%	24%	24%	32%	2%
	College graduate	15%	20%	18%	46%	1%
Race	White	19%	26%	19%	35%	1%
	African American	6%	10%	29%	51%	5%
	Latino	8%	18%	31%	41%	2%
Race and Education	White - Not College Graduate	21%	30%	21%	26%	2%
	White - College Graduate	15%	21%	16%	47%	0%
Age	18 to 29	11%	15%	35%	39%	0%
	30 to 44	17%	21%	19%	41%	2%
	45 to 59	19%	26%	16%	38%	1%
	60 or older	19%	26%	19%	34%	3%
Age	Under 45	14%	18%	26%	40%	2%
	45 or older	19%	26%	17%	36%	2%
Gender	Men	19%	23%	21%	35%	2%
	Women	15%	21%	22%	40%	2%
White Evangelical Christians		27%	38%	19%	15%	1%
Interview Type	Landline	16%	27%	19%	35%	3%
	Cell phone	18%	19%	23%	40%	1%

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		National Adults		
		Do you find Donald Trump's communication through Twitter to be:		
		Effective and informative	Reckless and distracting	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
National Adults		25%	66%	9%
National Registered Voters		26%	65%	9%
Party Identification^	Democrat	6%	89%	4%
	Republican	54%	29%	17%
	Independent	26%	68%	6%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	6%	88%	6%
	Soft Democrats	10%	89%	1%
	Soft Republicans	42%	44%	14%
	Strong Republicans	65%	20%	15%
Tea Party Supporters^		58%	32%	10%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	9%	90%	1%
	Moderate	23%	68%	9%
	Conservative-Very conservative	43%	45%	12%
Trump Supporters		56%	29%	15%
Region	Northeast	28%	67%	5%
	Midwest	22%	68%	10%
	South	25%	65%	10%
	West	26%	64%	10%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	24%	66%	10%
	\$50,000 or more	26%	67%	7%
Education	Not college graduate	28%	62%	10%
	College graduate	21%	72%	7%
Race	White	28%	63%	9%
	African American	8%	86%	6%
	Latino	25%	74%	1%
Race and Education	White - Not College Graduate	32%	56%	12%
	White - College Graduate	22%	73%	5%
Age	18 to 29	19%	75%	6%
	30 to 44	23%	70%	7%
	45 to 59	33%	60%	7%
	60 or older	25%	60%	15%
Age	Under 45	21%	72%	7%
	45 or older	29%	60%	11%
Gender	Men	32%	61%	7%
	Women	19%	71%	11%
White Evangelical Christians		40%	48%	12%
Interview Type	Landline	25%	60%	15%
	Cell phone	26%	69%	5%

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		National Adults		
		From what you have seen or heard about the late-night comedy show Saturday Night Live's jokes and skits about Donald Trump and his administration, do you think:		
		It's funny	It goes too far	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
National Adults		54%	33%	14%
National Registered Voters		55%	33%	12%
Party Identification^	Democrat	74%	16%	10%
	Republican	21%	63%	15%
	Independent	61%	30%	9%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	72%	16%	11%
	Soft Democrats	78%	16%	6%
	Soft Republicans	39%	53%	8%
	Strong Republicans	16%	66%	17%
Tea Party Supporters^	29%	58%	13%	
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	81%	10%	8%
	Moderate	62%	27%	11%
	Conservative-Very conservative	31%	56%	13%
Trump Supporters		25%	61%	13%
Region	Northeast	57%	26%	17%
	Midwest	54%	32%	14%
	South	46%	41%	13%
	West	62%	26%	12%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	50%	32%	18%
	\$50,000 or more	58%	33%	9%
Education	Not college graduate	50%	37%	13%
	College graduate	60%	27%	13%
Race	White	54%	34%	12%
	African American	58%	27%	15%
	Latino	58%	29%	13%
Race and Education	White - Not College Graduate	46%	40%	14%
	White - College Graduate	66%	25%	9%
Age	18 to 29	62%	24%	14%
	30 to 44	58%	27%	14%
	45 to 59	52%	39%	10%
	60 or older	45%	39%	16%
Age	Under 45	60%	26%	14%
	45 or older	48%	39%	13%
Gender	Men	55%	31%	14%
	Women	52%	34%	14%
White Evangelical Christians		35%	52%	13%
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