

How the Survey was Conducted

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

This survey of 1105 adults was conducted September 25th through September 27th, 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 ± 2.9 percentage points. There are 886 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	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.

PBS NewsHour/Marist Poll National Tables

		National Adults				
		Which one of the following comes closest to your opinion about what Congress should do with the Affordable Care Act known as Obamacare:				
		Let it stand	Change it so it does more	Change it so it does less	Repeal it completely	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
National Adults		18%	42%	6%	28%	5%
National Registered Voters		17%	43%	6%	30%	5%
Party Identification^	Democrat	27%	63%	2%	5%	3%
	Republican	5%	18%	8%	63%	6%
	Independent	16%	44%	8%	27%	5%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	26%	65%	2%	5%	3%
	Soft Democrats	28%	62%	3%	4%	3%
	Just Independents	13%	49%	7%	21%	10%
	Soft Republicans	8%	19%	10%	59%	4%
Political Ideology^	Strong Republicans	4%	16%	9%	66%	6%
	Very liberal-Liberal	26%	63%	2%	8%	2%
	Moderate	18%	51%	7%	21%	4%
	Conservative-Very conservative	8%	20%	9%	59%	5%
Trump Supporters		3%	17%	7%	64%	7%
Region	Northeast	20%	46%	8%	24%	2%
	Midwest	20%	38%	9%	25%	7%
	South	14%	40%	5%	34%	7%
	West	21%	48%	2%	24%	4%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	23%	43%	4%	24%	5%
	\$50,000 or more	12%	45%	8%	30%	5%
Education	Not college graduate	21%	37%	6%	30%	6%
	College graduate	14%	50%	5%	26%	5%
Race	White	14%	42%	6%	33%	5%
	African American	25%	64%	5%	5%	2%
	Latino	30%	40%	6%	19%	5%
Race and Education	White - Not College Graduate	15%	36%	7%	37%	5%
	White - College Graduate	12%	51%	6%	27%	4%
Age	18 to 29	25%	48%	8%	11%	6%
	30 to 44	18%	40%	7%	32%	3%
	45 to 59	14%	45%	5%	31%	5%
	60 or older	16%	40%	3%	35%	6%
Age	Under 45	21%	44%	8%	22%	5%
	45 or older	15%	42%	4%	33%	5%
Gender	Men	13%	40%	9%	33%	5%
	Women	23%	45%	3%	24%	6%
Interview Type	Landline	17%	40%	6%	31%	6%
	Cell phone	18%	44%	6%	27%	5%

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September 2017	18%	42%	6%	28%	5%
June 2017	17%	46%	7%	25%	5%
March 2017	18%	46%	7%	26%	3%
February 2017	21%	39%	7%	29%	4%

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		National Adults		
		Do you approve or disapprove of the way Republicans in Congress are handling health care?		
		Approve	Disapprove	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
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National Registered Voters		11%	80%	9%
Party Identification^	Democrat	4%	92%	4%
	Republican	22%	67%	11%
	Independent	9%	80%	12%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	3%	93%	4%
	Soft Democrats	6%	89%	5%
	Just Independents	8%	69%	23%
	Soft Republicans	16%	74%	10%
Political Ideology^	Strong Republicans	21%	70%	9%
	Very liberal-Liberal	7%	90%	3%
	Moderate	11%	78%	11%
	Conservative-Very conservative	15%	75%	10%
Trump Supporters		15%	72%	12%
Region	Northeast	9%	85%	5%
	Midwest	10%	80%	10%
	South	12%	75%	13%
	West	12%	77%	11%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	13%	75%	12%
	\$50,000 or more	9%	84%	7%
Education	Not college graduate	15%	74%	11%
	College graduate	5%	85%	10%
Race	White	10%	79%	10%
	African American	10%	85%	4%
	Latino	17%	70%	12%
Race and Education	White - Not College Graduate	15%	73%	12%
	White - College Graduate	5%	87%	8%
Age	18 to 29	19%	67%	14%
	30 to 44	8%	84%	8%
	45 to 59	9%	82%	9%
	60 or older	12%	79%	10%
Age	Under 45	13%	76%	11%
	45 or older	10%	80%	9%
Gender	Men	11%	80%	9%
	Women	12%	76%	12%
Interview Type	Landline	10%	81%	10%
	Cell phone	12%	77%	11%

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