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Poll Questions

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[The mood of the nation]

First, I just need to confirm in what state you live. **(If needed:)** People sometimes take their phone number when they move to another state, so we just need to determine what state I'm talking to.

In general, do you think things in the <u>nation</u> are headed in the right direction, or have they gotten off on the wrong track?

	Right direction	**Wrong track**	**Not sure**
Aug-16	**25**	**68**	**7**
Jun-16	23	68	8
Mar-16	27	65	7
Nov-15	23	69	8
Sep-15	24	66	10
Apr-15	31	61	8
Dec-14	24	65	11
Jun-14	26	64	10
Mar-14	30	62	8
Dec-13	27	67	6
Sep-13	25	68	7
Jun-13	32	60	8
Feb-13	37	54	9
Dec-12	38	55	7
Sep-12	33	60	7
Jun-12	31	62	7
Mar-12	31	61	8
Sep-11	20	72	8
Jun-11	26	66	8
Mar-11	28	63	9
Dec-10	27	66	7
Oct-10	32	62	6
Jul-10	31	63	6
Mar-10	34	58	8
Dec-09	32	59	9
Sep-09	40	52	8

Whom do you blame more for the nation being on the wrong track—[Republicans] or [Democrats]? **(Alternate order every other interview. Based only on those who say the nation is off on the wrong track, n=671. MoE: ±3.8 percentage points.)**

  22   Republicans
  48   Democrats
  30   Not sure

Which of the following do you see as the most important issue facing the country right now? **(Read list. Rotate.)**

	Immigration	Health care	The federal deficit	Terrorism	Taxes	A decline in real income for American workers	The Islamic State, also known as ISIS	Climate change	Unemployment and jobs	Trade	Other (VOL) (specify:)	None of these (VOL)	Not sure
Aug-16	**6**	**8**	**10**	**14**	**4**	**13**	**11**	**6**	**17**	**1**	**3**	**1**	**6**
Jun-16	5	11	8	13	4	14	10	5	20	2	4	2	3
Mar-16	6	11	7	8	4	16	10	6	19	2	4	3	4

[Note changes in answer options. Percentages given for reference, but not valid for direct comparison.]

Which of the following do you see as the most important issue facing the country right now?
(Read list. Rotate.)

	Immigration	Health care	The federal deficit	Government spending	Entitlement spending on Social Security and Medicare	Taxes	Terrorism	Unemployment and jobs	The situation in the Middle East	Gas prices	Gay marriage	The oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico	Climate change	The war in Afghanistan	A decline in real income for American workers	The Islamic State, also known as ISIS	Other (VOL) (specify:)	None of these (VOL)	Not sure
Nov-15	7	10	7	n/a	n/a	3	14	11	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	5	n/a	14	21	2	1	6
Sep-15	7	11	10	n/a	n/a	4	7	20	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	6	n/a	14	11	3	1	6
Apr-15	6	12	10	n/a	n/a	4	9	18	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	7	n/a	12	13	2	2	5
Dec-14	11	14	9	n/a	n/a	3	4	21	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	5	n/a	15	7	4	1	6
Jun-14	6	17	13	n/a	n/a	4	4	28	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	5	n/a	16	n/a	3	1	3
Dec-12	4	9	19	n/a	11	7	2	37	5	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	3	1	5
Sep-12	3	11	14	n/a	n/a	4	3	43	6	7	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	4	1	4
Jun-12	4	13	18	n/a	n/a	4	3	45	n/a	4	3	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	2	1	3
Mar-12	4	10	21	n/a	n/a	3	1	42	n/a	11	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	4	1	3
Sept-11	3	10	12	18	n/a	2	n/a	46	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	5	n/a	n/a	2	-	2
Jun-11	3	10	13	17	n/a	1	n/a	42	n/a	4	n/a	n/a	n/a	5	n/a	n/a	2	-	3
Mar-11	3	12	29		n/a	n/a	n/a	43	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	7	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	2
Dec-10	5	9	25		n/a	n/a	n/a	50	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	7	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	3
Oct-10	5	12	24		n/a	n/a	n/a	49	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	7	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	2
Jul-10	n/a	9	26		n/a	n/a	n/a	41	n/a	n/a	n/a	13	n/a	7	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	3

Do you approve or disapprove of the job Barack Obama is doing: [ITEM FROM LIST]?

		Approve	Disapprove	Not Sure
As president	Aug-16	**50**	**44**	**6**
	Jun-16	53	42	5
	Mar-16	50	44	6
	Nov-15	44	51	5
	Sep-15	46	47	7
	Apr-15	47	46	7
	Dec-14	39	52	9
	Jun-14	43	53	4
	Mar-14	48	48	4
	Dec-13	42	55	3
	Sep-13	45	49	6
	Jun-13	49	46	5
	Feb-13	55	40	5
	Dec-12	53	44	3
	Sep-12	49	46	5
	Jun-12	53	44	3
	Mar-12	48	47	5
	Sep-11	45	49	6
	Jun-11	49	44	7
	Mar-11	51	43	6
	Dec-10	47	48	5
	Oct-10	48	45	7
	Jul-10	52	44	4
	Mar-10	50	45	5
	Dec-09	54	41	5
	Sep-09	56	37	7

[Personalities]

Now, I'm going to mention some people and groups in the news recently. **[Previous wording: Now, I'd like to mention some major economic and political figures and groups.]** For each, please tell me if your feelings are very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly unfavorable, or very unfavorable. <u>If you don't know enough to answer, just say so.</u> **(Record "don't know" as "not sure." Rotate list.)**

		Net Favorable	Net Unfavorable	Very Favorable	Mostly Favorable	Mostly Unfavorable	Very Unfavorable	Not Sure
Barack Obama, president of the United States		**51**	**44**	**27**	**24**	**17**	**27**	**5**
	Jun-16	55	43	29	25	13	30	2
	Mar-16	57	42	30	26	15	26	2
	Nov-15	48	49	19	29	20	29	3
	Sep-15	50	47	22	29	17	30	3
	Apr-15	52	45	20	32	17	28	3
	Dec-14	45	51	17	28	20	31	4
	Jun-14	44	52	18	26	18	34	4
	Mar-14	49	49	20	29	19	30	2
	Dec-13	46	52	19	27	17	35	2
	Sep-13	47	49	20	27	21	28	4
	Jun-13	53	44	25	28	14	30	3
	Feb-13	56	40	30	26	17	23	4
	Dec-12	55	42	31	24	14	28	3
	Sep-12	52	44	29	23	13	31	4
	Jun-12	55	42	25	30	17	25	3
	Mar-12	52	45	23	29	15	30	3
	Sep-11	50	47	21	29	19	28	3
	Jun-11	54	42	22	32	19	23	4
	Mar-11	55	41	22	33	19	22	4
	Dec-10	52	44	21	31	20	24	4
	Oct-10	55	40	25	30	18	22	5
	Jul-10	55	40	24	31	17	23	5
	Mar-10	53	42	25	28	19	23	5
	Dec-09	58	38	28	30	18	20	4
	Sep-09	61	36	32	29	16	20	3
Michelle Obama, wife of President Barack Obama	**Aug-16**	**62**	**29**	**39**	**23**	**13**	**16**	**9**
	Sep-12	63	29	35	28	12	17	8
Michelle Obama, the first lady	Early Oct-10	62	22	29	33	11	11	16
Bill Clinton, former president of the United States	**Aug-16**	**53**	**40**	**21**	**32**	**17**	**23**	**7**
	Jun-16	56	39	22	34	18	21	5
	Mar-16	58	36	25	34	19	17	5
	Nov-15	60	34	26	35	20	14	5
	Apr-15	60	32	22	38	18	14	8
	Sep-12	64	29	34	30	15	14	7
	Jun-12	69	25	27	42	16	9	6

Hillary Clinton, the Democratic nominee for president	**Aug-16**	**40**	**57**	**17**	**23**	**15**	**42**	**3**
Hillary Clinton, the presumptive Democratic nominee for president	Jun-16	43	54	19	24	15	40	3
Hillary Clinton, former U.S. Secretary of State	Mar-16	44	53	17	26	18	35	3
	Nov-15	42	53	17	25	18	34	6
	Sep-15	38	54	12	26	18	36	7
	Apr-15	48	44	18	30	15	29	8
	Dec-14	52	42	21	31	16	26	6
	Jun-14	52	40	22	30	17	23	8
	Mar-14	56	38	22	34	17	21	6
	Jun-13	58	37	26	32	15	22	5
Hillary Clinton, the secretary of state	Dec-12	70	24	31	39	13	11	6
	Mar-12	59	33	22	37	19	14	8
	Sep-11	64	31	27	37	18	13	5
	Dec-10	65	29	21	44	17	12	6
	Oct-10	63	28	23	40	15	13	9
	Jul-10	61	31	22	39	18	13	8
	Dec-09	62	31	20	42	18	13	7
	Sep-09	62	32	24	38	18	14	6
Chelsea Clinton, daughter of Bill and Hillary Clinton	**Aug-16**	**40**	**22**	**17**	**23**	**12**	**10**	**39**
Donald Trump, the Republican nominee for president	**Aug-16**	**33**	**63**	**14**	**19**	**17**	**46**	**4**
Donald Trump, the presumptive Republican nominee for president	Jun-16	31	66	11	20	15	51	3
Donald Trump, a businessman from New York	Mar-16	29	68	12	17	15	53	3
	Nov-15	34	61	11	23	21	40	5
	Sep-15	31	61	10	20	20	41	9
Donald Trump, businessman and television personality	Jun-12	33	55	8	25	26	29	12
	Mar-11	37	43	10	27	24	19	20
Melania Trump, wife of Donald Trump	**Aug-16**	**31**	**37**	**11**	**20**	**17**	**21**	**31**
Donald Trump, Jr., son of Donald Trump	**Aug-16**	**29**	**32**	**13**	**16**	**13**	**19**	**39**
Ivanka Trump, daughter of Donald Trump	**Aug-16**	**37**	**27**	**16**	**21**	**12**	**15**	**36**
Tim Kaine, Democratic nominee for vice president and U.S. senator from Virginia	**Aug-16**	**38**	**27**	**12**	**26**	**17**	**11**	**35**
Mike Pence, Republican nominee for vice president and governor of Indiana	**Aug-16**	**38**	**31**	**15**	**22**	**16**	**15**	**31**

		Net Favorable	Net Unfavorable	Very Favorable	Mostly Favorable	Mostly Unfavorable	Very Unfavorable	Not Sure
The Democratic Party	**Aug-16**	**42**	**47**	**13**	**29**	**21**	**26**	**11**
	Jun-16	49	46	15	34	21	25	5
	Mar-16	51	43	16	36	24	18	6
	Nov-15	46	44	12	34	26	18	10
	Sep-15	38	50	10	28	27	23	12
	Apr-15	48	44	11	37	23	21	8
	Dec-14	41	50	12	29	28	22	9
	Mar-14	49	43	14	35	22	21	8
	Dec-13	43	49	11	32	26	23	8
	Sep-13	44	47	14	30	25	22	9
	Feb-13	47	43	16	31	23	20	10
	Dec-12	50	41	21	29	20	21	9
	Sep-12	46	45	19	27	20	25	9
	Jun-12	50	43	17	33	25	18	7
	Mar-12	47	46	13	34	24	22	7
	Sep-11	44	46	14	30	26	20	10
	Jun-11	48	42	13	35	26	16	10
	Mar-11	49	42	13	36	27	15	9
	Dec-10	48	43	14	34	25	18	9
	Oct-10	47	44	14	33	25	19	9
	Jul-10	45	43	14	31	23	20	12
	Mar-10	42	46	10	32	25	21	12
	Dec-09	47	44	13	34	24	20	9
	Sep-09	48	44	14	34	22	22	8
The Republican Party	**Aug-16**	**35**	**53**	**10**	**25**	**27**	**26**	**12**
	Jun-16	32	62	8	24	33	29	6
	Mar-16	33	60	8	25	32	29	7
	Nov-15	36	54	7	29	32	22	10
	Sep-15	33	54	8	25	31	23	13
	Apr-15	38	53	11	27	31	22	9
	Dec-14	45	47	11	34	28	19	8
	Mar-14	37	54	8	29	30	24	9
	Dec-13	37	53	10	27	32	21	10
	Sep-13	34	56	8	26	30	26	10
	Feb-13	35	55	7	28	30	25	10
	Dec-12	38	51	10	28	28	23	11
	Sep-12	41	49	14	27	25	24	10
	Jun-12	41	50	13	28	26	24	9
	Mar-12	44	49	14	30	28	21	7
	Sep-11	37	53	9	28	27	26	10
	Jun-11	42	47	12	30	31	16	11
	Mar-11	41	47	11	30	27	20	12
	Dec-10	43	48	10	33	29	19	9
	Oct-10	42	46	11	31	27	19	12
	Jul-10	42	46	9	33	28	18	12
	Mar-10	39	48	7	32	28	20	13
	Dec-09	42	47	9	33	30	17	11
	Sep-09	38	52	8	30	31	21	10
The U.S. Congress	**Aug-16**	**25**	**60**	**4**	**21**	**32**	**28**	**15**
	Jun-16	24	65	5	19	34	30	11
	Mar-16	29	61	6	23	32	29	10
	Nov-15	27	62	3	23	38	24	12
	Sep-15	26	63	6	20	34	29	11
	Apr-15	34	54	6	28	33	21	12
	Mar-10*	22	67	5	17	33	34	11
	Dec-09*	29	61	4	25	31	30	10

*For each of the following major U.S. institutions, please tell me if your impression is very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly unfavorable, or very unfavorable. If you don't know enough to give your feelings, just say so.

		Net Favorable	Net Unfavorable	Very Favorable	Mostly Favorable	Mostly Unfavorable	Very Unfavorable	Not Sure
Paul Ryan, the speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives	**Aug-16**	**40**	**34**	**9**	**31**	**20**	**14**	**25**
	Jun-16	41	38	11	30	21	17	21
	Mar-16	40	38	11	28	22	16	22
Paul Ryan, the new speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives	Nov-15	40	30	11	29	15	15	30
Paul Ryan, the Republican candidate for vice-president	Sep-12	41	41	20	21	17	24	18
Paul Ryan, congressman from Wisconsin and chairman of the House Budget Committee	Jun-11	23	26	8	15	16	10	51
Gary Johnson, the Libertarian Party nominee for president	**Aug-16**	**21**	**21**	**6**	**15**	**11**	**10**	**59**
	Jun-16	17	27	4	13	16	11	57
Jill Stein, the Green Party nominee for president	**Aug-16**	**12**	**25**	**3**	**10**	**12**	**14**	**62**
Khizr Khan, a Muslim immigrant and father of a slain U.S. soldier	**Aug-16**	**44**	**21**	**23**	**21**	**10**	**12**	**35**
Vladimir Putin, president of the Russian Federation	**Aug-16**	**10**	**64**	**1**	**8**	**25**	**39**	**26**

Who do you think is the stronger leader? **(Read list. Rotate.)**

- 51   Barack Obama, U.S. president
- 31   Vladimir Putin, Russian president
- 18   Not sure

If the general election for president were held today, how likely is it you would vote—would you definitely vote, probably vote, might or might not vote, or probably not vote?

	Definitely vote	Probably vote	Might or might not vote	Probably not vote	Refused/ not sure
Aug-16	**66**	**14**	**8**	**12**	**1**
Jun-16	72	13	6	8	1
Mar-16	79	9	5	6	1
Nov-15	75	12	4	6	3
Sep-15	77	9	5	7	3
Apr-15	77	11	5	5	2
Jun-14*	68	16	6	8	2

*If the 2016 general election for President, Congress, and other state officials were held today, would you definitely vote, probably vote, might or might not vote, or probably not vote?

If the general election were held today, and the candidates were [**Hillary Clinton for the Democrats**] and [**Donald Trump for the Republicans**], for whom would you vote? **(Alternate candidate names every other interview.)**

(If not sure or would not vote, ask:) Toward which do you lean?

Among likely voters in the 2016 general election; n=749. MoE: ±3.6 percentage points.	First choice	Lean	***Total*** First + Lean
Hillary Clinton	45	5	50
Donald Trump	42	2	44
Other/would not vote (VOL)	8	3	3
Not sure	5	3	3

[Note changes in answer options. Percentages given for reference, but not valid for direct comparison.]

ASKED IN JUNE 2016: If the general election were held today, and the candidates were [**Hillary Clinton for the Democrats**], [**Donald Trump for the Republicans**], and Gary Johnson for the Libertarian Party, for whom would you vote? **(Rotate candidate names in brackets.)**

(If not sure, or would not vote, ask:) Toward which do you lean?

Asked only of likely voters; n=750. MoE: ±3.6 percentage points.	First choice	Lean	***Total*** First + Lean
Hillary Clinton	48	1	**49**
Donald Trump	35	2	**37**
Gary Johnson	8	1	**9**
Would not vote (VOL)	2	1	**1**
Not sure	6	4	**4**

ASKED IN MARCH 2016: If the general election were held today, and the candidates were [**Hillary Clinton** for the Democrats] and [**Donald Trump** for the Republicans], for whom would you vote? **(Rotate candidate names in brackets.)** Mar-16: Asked only of likely 2016 general election voters; n=815. MoE: ± 3.4 percentage points.

54	Clinton
36	Trump
9	Not sure

Would you say your mind is made up, or could you still be persuaded to support a different candidate as your first choice? (**Asked only of likely voters.**)

All n=749 MoE: ±3.6pp	Clinton supporters n=369 MoE: ±5.1pp	Trump supporters n=338 MoE: ±5.3pp	
78	82	82	Mind is made up
20	18	17	Could still be persuaded
2	1	1	Not sure

Would you say your vote for Hillary Clinton is more a vote to support her for president, or more a vote to stop Donald Trump from becoming president? (**Asked only of Clinton voters in the two-way horserace, n=369. MoE: ±5.1 percentage points.**)

56	More to support Clinton
40	More to vote against Trump
4	Not sure

How would you describe your enthusiasm for Hillary Clinton as the [Jun-16: presumptive] Democratic nominee—very enthusiastic, fairly enthusiastic, just somewhat enthusiastic, or not enthusiastic? **(Asked only of Clinton voters in the two-way horserace, n=369. MoE: ±5.1 percentage points.)**

		Very enthusiastic	Fairly enthusiastic	Just somewhat enthusiastic	Not enthusiastic	Not sure
Aug-16	n=369; MoE: ±5.1pp	35	27	23	14	-
Jun-16	n=332; MoE: ±5.4pp	43	22	25	11	-

Would you say your vote for Donald Trump is more a vote to support him for president, or more a vote to stop Hillary Clinton from becoming president? **(Asked only of Trump voters in the two-way horserace, n=338. MoE: ±5.3 percentage points.)**

39	More to support Trump
56	More to vote against Clinton
5	Not sure

How would you describe your enthusiasm for Donald Trump as the Republican nominee—very enthusiastic, fairly enthusiastic, just somewhat enthusiastic, or not enthusiastic? **(Asked only of Trump voters in the two-way horserace, n=338. MoE: ±5.3 percentage points.)**

		Very enthusiastic	Fairly enthusiastic	Just somewhat enthusiastic	Not enthusiastic	Not sure
Aug-16	n=338; MoE: ±5.3pp	33	22	31	14	-
Jun-16	n=333; MoE: ±5.4pp	33	24	30	12	-

If the general election were held today, and the candidates were [**Hillary Clinton for the Democrats**], [**Donald Trump for the Republicans**], [**Gary Johnson for the Libertarian Party**], and [**Jill Stein for the Green Party**], for whom would you vote? **(Rotate candidate names in brackets.)**

(If not sure, or would not vote, ask:) Toward which do you lean?

Asked only of likely voters; n=749. MoE: ±3.6 percentage points.	First choice	Lean	***Total*** First choice + Lean
Hillary Clinton	42	2	44
Donald Trump	40	-	40
Gary Johnson	9	-	9
Jill Stein	4	-	4
Would not vote (VOL)	2	-	-
Not sure	4	3	3

ASKED IN JUNE 2016: If the general election were held today, and the candidates were [**Hillary Clinton for the Democrats**], [**Donald Trump for the Republicans**], and Gary Johnson for the Libertarian Party, for whom would you vote? **(Rotate candidate names in brackets.)**

(If not sure, or would not vote, ask:) Toward which do you lean?

Asked only of likely voters; n=750. MoE: ±3.6 percentage points.	First choice Jun-16	Lean Jun-16	***Total*** First + Lean
Hillary Clinton	48	1	**49**
Donald Trump	35	2	**37**
Gary Johnson	8	1	**9**
Would not vote (VOL)	2	1	**1**
Not sure	6	4	**4**

I'm going to mention the candidates whom you do not support as your first choice. For each, please tell me if you think you could **ever** support the person for president or would **never** support the person for president. **(Read appropriate names. Use same rotation as four-way horserace question. If selected as first or lean in either horserace question, code "1ˢᵗ choice or lean in horserace" and do not ask.)**

Among likely voters in the 2016 general election; n=749.
MoE: ±3.6 percentage points.

		Ever	Never	Not sure	1ˢᵗ choice or lean in horserace
Hillary Clinton	**Aug-16**	**4**	**44**	**2**	**50**
	Jun-16	6	43	2	49
Donald Trump	**Aug-16**	**3**	**51**	**2**	**44**
	Jun-16	7	55	1	37
Gary Johnson	**Aug-16**	**29**	**37**	**26**	**9**
	Jun-16	22	44	25	9
Jill Stein	**Aug-16**	**21**	**49**	**27**	**4**

Which of the following do you feel is the best approach? **(Read options. Among likely voters in the 2016 general election; n=749. MoE: ±3.6 percentage points.)**

47   A government with majorities and the presidency all from the same party, so they can move swiftly to
      get things done
42   A divided government so that one party can rein in the power of the other party
11   Not sure

In politics as of today, do you consider yourself a Republican, Democrat, or independent?
(Based on all respondents, n=1,007, MoE: ±3.1 percentage points.)

	Republican	Democrat	Independent	Other (VOL)	Refused/ not sure
Aug-16	**25**	**27**	**42**	**3**	**4**
Jun-16	25	33	37	1	4
Mar-16	24	30	41	1	3
Apr-15	23	33	39	2	3
Dec-14	28	29	41	-	2
Jun-14	24	31	40	1	4
Mar-14	21	29	46	1	3
Dec-13	21	24	50	3	2
Sep-13	20	31	44	2	3
Jun-13	24	32	38	1	5
Feb-13	21	32	43	2	2
Dec-12	24	34	39	1	2
Sep-12	22	27	46	1	4
Jun-12	25	31	41	-	3
Mar-12	24	28	44	2	2
Sep-11	23	29	45	1	2
Jun-11	27	32	39	-	2
Mar-11	22	30	44	1	3
Dec-10	26	31	40	1	2
early Oct-10	25	34	37	2	2
Jul-10	24	31	42	1	2
Mar-10	24	30	43	1	2
Dec-09	25	31	40	1	3
Sep-09	23	32	41	2	2

In the Democratic primary contest, which candidate did you favor more—[Hillary Clinton] or [Bernie Sanders]? **(Alternate names. Asked only of Democrats who are likely voters in the 2016 general election; n=229. MoE: ±6.5 percentage points.)**

  60   Hillary Clinton
  37   Bernie Sanders
   2   Neither (VOL)
   1   Not sure

If the elections for the U.S. House of Representatives were being held today, which party's candidate would you vote for in your congressional district: The [DEMOCRATIC] candidate or the [REPUBLICAN] candidate? **(If not sure, ask:)** Which way are you leaning—toward the [REPUBLICAN] candidate or the [DEMOCRATIC] candidate? **(Alternate party names each interview. Among likely voters in the 2016 general election; n=749. MoE: ±3.6 percentage points.)**

  43   Democratic candidate
   4   Lean Democratic candidate
  42   Republican candidate
   2   Lean Republican candidate
   1   Other (VOL)
   7   Not sure

Which ONE of the following four candidate qualities matters most in deciding how you vote for president? **(Among likely voters in the 2016 general election.)**

		Shares your values	Is a strong leader	Cares about people like you	Has a vision for the future	Not sure
Aug-16	**n=749; MoE: ±3.6pp**	**29**	**27**	**15**	**26**	**3**
Jun-16	n=750; MoE: ±3.6pp	30	28	14	26	3
Dec-14	n=753; MoE: ±3.6pp	31	26	14	28	2

I'm going to read some phrases people often use to describe candidates. For each, please indicate whether you think the phrase better describes [Hillary Clinton] or [Donald Trump]. **(Rotate candidate names. Rotate list.)**

Asked only of likely voters.
Aug-16: n=749. MoE: ±3.6 percentage points.
Jun-16: n=750. MoE: ±3.6 percentage points.

		Clinton	Trump	Not sure
Would fight hard for the middle class	**Aug-16**	**48**	**42**	**11**
	Jun-16	52	39	10
Knows what it takes to create jobs	**Aug-16**	**42**	**51**	**7**
	Jun-16	40	55	5
Would rein in the power of Wall Street	**Aug-16**	**38**	**45**	**17**
	Jun-16	40	44	16
Would change the way Washington does business	**Aug-16**	**27**	**60**	**13**
	Jun-16	20	69	11
Has the right temperament to be president	**Aug-16**	**56**	**31**	**12**
	Jun-16	59	27	14
Is ready to lead our country on day one in office	**Aug-16**	**56**	**38**	**6**
	Jun-16	54	36	10
Could get things done in Washington	**Aug-16**	**50**	**41**	**9**
	Jun-16	51	40	9
Would be a good role model for children	**Aug-16**	**54**	**29**	**17**
	Jun-16	54	25	21
Is trustworthy	**Aug-16**	**41**	**39**	**21**
	Jun-16	43	37	21
Would combat terrorist threats at home and abroad	**Aug-16**	**43**	**50**	**7**
	Jun-16	45	50	5
Possesses the skills needed to conduct foreign policy	**Aug-16**	**58**	**36**	**7**
	Jun-16	60	32	8
Best expresses love of country	**Aug-16**	**48**	**45**	**7**
Would be the most supportive of veterans	**Aug-16**	**46**	**47**	**7**

To accomplish major goals, which do you think is the most successful approach? **(Read list. Rotate. Among likely voters in the 2016 general election; n=749. MoE: ±3.6 percentage points.)**

12	For a leader alone to formulate ideas, then give direction of what to do and how to do it
83	For a leader to gather ideas from many sources, then have many people helping decide what to do and how to do it
5	Not sure

Which ONE of the following best describes your feelings about this presidential campaign? **(Read list. Rotate. Among likely voters in the 2016 general election; n=749. MoE: ±3.6 percentage points.)**

56	The U.S. is in a dark and dangerous place, with threats from overseas and within our borders
40	The U.S. is in a strong position for progress on the economy and national security
5	Not sure

[Rotate next two questions every other interview.]

Now, I'm going to mention some concerns that political opponents have expressed about Donald Trump. For each, please tell me if this is something that bothers you a lot, a little, or not at all. **(Rotate, but the item about working hard in business must always follow the item about the fallen solider's parents.)**

Among likely voters in the 2016 general election; n=749. MoE: ±3.6 percentage points.	Bothers A lot	Bothers A little	Bothers Not at all	Not Sure
Trump's criticism of a fallen soldier's Muslim parents after they spoke at the Democratic National Convention	56	19	21	4
Trump's statement that working hard in business was a sacrifice, after the soldier's parents said he had never sacrificed	48	25	23	4
Trump's praise for Russian President Vladimir Putin	42	27	27	4
Trump's suggestion that if he were president, the U.S. may not automatically defend all NATO allies	50	24	24	3
Trump's statement that he alone can fix the country's problems	54	21	25	1
Trump's suggestion that Russian hackers try to find Hillary Clinton's deleted e-mails	45	21	33	1
Trump's decision not to release his tax returns	44	24	31	1
Trump's criticism of a reporter that was seen as mocking the reporter's physical disability	62	21	15	2
Lawsuits accusing the Trump University real-estate program of fraud and racketeering	44	27	26	3

Now, I'm going to mention some concerns that political opponents have expressed about Hillary Clinton. For each, please tell me if this is something that bothers you a lot, a little, or not at all. **(Rotate.)**

Among likely voters in the 2016 general election; n=749. MoE: ±3.6 percentage points.	Bothers A lot	Bothers A little	Bothers Not at all	Not Sure
Clinton's handling of her private e-mail, which the FBI director called "extremely careless"	58	22	19	1
Clinton's vote to invade Iraq when she was in the U.S. Senate	26	29	41	5
Clinton's handling of the Benghazi attack in which four Americans were killed while she was secretary of state	55	20	23	3
Clinton's handling of violence in the Middle East while she was secretary of state	43	21	30	5
Clinton's decision to rarely hold news conferences	28	32	39	2
Clinton's embrace of President Barack Obama and much of his agenda	36	17	46	1
Clinton's decision during the primary to oppose the Trans-Pacific Partnership, a trade deal she had praised when she was secretary of state	30	34	27	9
Clinton's paid private speeches to companies such as Goldman Sachs, whose transcripts she has not released	44	22	30	4
Clinton's family's foundation accepted money from foreign governments when she was secretary of state	53	21	25	1

Based on what you've learned about Donald Trump's businesses and business practices over the course of the campaign, are you more impressed or less impressed with his business expertise? **(Among likely voters in the 2016 general election; n=749. MoE: ±3.6 percentage points.)**

31   More impressed
61   Less impressed
 8   Not sure

When it comes to the presidential election, is it your sense the election will or will not be rigged? **(Among likely voters in the 2016 general election; n=749. MoE: ±3.6 percentage points.)**

34   Rigged
60   Not rigged
 6   Not sure

[Rotate next two questions every other interview.]
Here are some things Donald Trump has said about Hillary Clinton. Which of these do you think is the one that concerns you about her potential presidency the most, if any? **(Among likely voters in the 2016 general election; n=749. MoE: ±3.6 percentage points.)**

37   She's a liar
10   She is crooked
13   She shows bad judgment
 7   She's the devil
31   None of these (VOL)
 4   Not sure

Here are some things Hillary Clinton and her supporters have said about Donald Trump. Which of these do you think is the one that concerns you about his potential presidency the most, if any? **(Among likely voters in the 2016 general election; n=749. MoE: ±3.6 percentage points.)**

31   He does not have a presidential temperament
 5   He is friendly with Vladimir Putin
13   It is dangerous to have him in charge of nuclear weapons
24   He is mentally unstable
23   None of these (VOL)
 3   Not sure

If the two were on TV at the same time, would you choose to watch an NFL football game or a debate between Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump? **(Among likely voters in the 2016 general election; n=749. MoE: ±3.6 percentage points.)**

26   Game
69   Debate
 3   Something else/Not watch TV (VOL)
 2   Not sure

Who do you expect to have a better performance in the first debate—Donald Trump or Hillary Clinton? **(Among likely voters in the 2016 general election; n=749. MoE: ±3.6 percentage points.)**

36   Donald Trump
56   Hillary Clinton
 8   Not sure

Coming up, do you think you'll be more focused on the Olympics or more focused on the presidential campaign? **(Among likely voters in the 2016 general election; n=749. MoE: ±3.6 percentage points.)**

36   Olympics
57   Presidential campaign
 7   Not sure

[Rotate next two questions every other interview.]

If you could swap the order of the Republican candidates, making Indiana Governor Mike Pence the presidential candidate and Donald Trump the vice presidential candidate, is that a ticket that you would be more inclined or less inclined to support? **(Among likely voters in the 2016 general election; n=749. MoE: ±3.6 percentage points.)**

36   More
48   Less
11   No difference (VOL)
 5   Not sure

If you could swap the order of the Democratic candidates, making Virginia senator Tim Kaine the presidential candidate and Hillary Clinton the vice presidential candidate, is that a ticket that you would be more inclined or less inclined to support? **(Among likely voters in the 2016 general election; n=749. MoE: ±3.6 percentage points.)**

37   More
45   Less
12   No difference (VOL)
 6   Not sure

Methodology

Aug. 10 (Bloomberg) -- The Bloomberg Politics Poll, conducted Aug. 5-8 for Bloomberg Politics by Selzer & Co. of Des Moines, IA, is based on interviews with 1,007 U.S. adults ages 18 or older.

Interviewers with Quantel Research contacted households with randomly selected landline and cell phone telephone numbers supplied by Survey Sampling International. Interviews were administered in English.

Percentages based on the full probability sample of 1,007 respondents may have a maximum margin of error of plus or minus 3.1 percentage points, and those based on the subsample of 749 likely voters in the 2016 general election may have a maximum margin of error of plus or minus 3.6 percentage points. This means that if this survey were repeated using the same questions and the same methodology, 19 times out of 20, the findings would not vary from the percentages shown here by more than plus or minus 3.1 percentage points for questions asked of the general population, plus or minus 3.6 percentage points for questions asked of likely voters. Results based on smaller samples of respondents—such as by gender or age—have a larger margin of error. Responses were weighted by age, race, and educational attainment to reflect the general population based on recent census data.

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