

THE AP-GfK POLL March, 2014

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A survey of the American general population (ages 18+)

Interview dates: March 20-24, 2014 Number of interviews, adults: 1,012

Margin of error for the total sample: +/- 3.4 percentage points at the 95% confidence level

NOTE: All results show percentages among all respondents, unless otherwise labeled.

Please refer to the exact sample number at the bottom of each table.

*Beginning in October, 2013, AP-GfK polls were conducted online using GfK's nationally representative KnowledgePanel. All prior trend conducted by telephone. For more information, see http://www.ap-gfkpoll.com.





SCI1. On the next few screens, you'll see a series of statements about science and medicine. For each of them, please indicate how confident you are that the statement is correct.

[RESPONDENTS SHOWN EACH ITEM ON A SEPARATE SCREEN]

[ITEMS RANDOMIZED]

	Extremely/very confident	Extremely confident	Very confident	Somewhat confident	Not too/not at all confident	Not too confident	Not at all confident	Refused/Not Answered
Smoking causes cancer	82	59	23	12	4	4	1	2
A mental illness is a medical condition that affects the brain	71	37	34	21	6	5	1	3
Inside our cells, there is a complex genetic code that helps determine who we are	69	38	30	22	8	5	2	2
Overusing antibiotics causes the development of drug-resistant bacteria	65	36	30	23	9	8	1	3
The universe is so complex, there must be a supreme being guiding its creation	54	40	14	18	25	13	12	3
Childhood vaccines are safe and effective	53	20	33	30	15	11	4	3
The average temperature of the world is rising, mostly because of man-made heat-trapping greenhouse gases	33	13	20	28	37	22	15	3
Life on Earth, including human beings, evolved through a process of natural selection	31	14	17	24	42	16	27	3
The Earth is 4.5 billion years old	27	11	17	33	36	18	18	4
The universe began 13.8 billion years ago with a big bang	21	8	13	25	51	20	30	4

Base: N=1,012





Some questions held for later release

TP4. Do you consider yourself a supporter of the Tea Party movement, or are you not a supporter of the Tea Party movement?

	3/20-24/14	1/17-21/14	12/5-9/13	10/3-7/13*	4/11-15/13	1/10-14/13	8/16-20/12	6/14-18/12	5/3-7/12	2/16-20/12	12/8-12/11	10-13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11
Supporter	22	27	20	17	23	22	27	23	22	25	30	28	25	33	30	30
Not a supporter	73	67	76	78	62	64	63	65	67	71	64	68	70	61	63	65
Don't know [VOL]	na	na	na	na	12	13	8	10	10	4	6	4	5	5	7	6
Refused/Not																
Answered	6	6	4	5	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	*	*	1	*	*

TP4a. [IF TP4=1]_Do you support the tea party movement strongly or somewhat...

	3/20-24/14
Strongly	31
Somewhat	67
Refused/Not Answered	2

Based on: Tea Party Supporter N=227



PID1. Do you consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, an independent or none of these?

	3/20-24/14	1/17-21/14	12/5-9/13	10/3-7/13*	4/11-15/13	1/10-14/13	11/29-12/3/12	TOTAL 10/19-23/12	REGISTERED VOTERS 10/19-23/12	LIKELY VOTERS 10/19-23/12	TOTAL 9/13-17/12	REGISTERED VOTERS 9/13-17/12	LIKELY VOTERS 9/13- 17/12
Democrat	30	33	29	31	27	29	33	31	32	34	31	32	31
Independent	24	23	28	27	29	30	27	27	28	27	29	30	30
Republican	27	25	23	23	21	21	23	25	28	30	22	25	30
None of these	16	18	17	15	20	19	15	14	8	6	17	13	8
Don't know [VOL]	na	na	na	na	1	*	1	2	2	*	1	1	1
Refused/Not Answered	3	2	2	3	3	1	2	2	2	3	*	*	*

Based on: N=1,012 N=1,060 N=1,367 N=1,227 N=1,004 N=1,004 N=1,002 N=1,186 N=1,041 N=839 N=1,512 N=1,282 N=807



PID1/i. Do you consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, an independent or none of these? IF "INDEPENDENT" OR "NONE," OR REFUSAL, ASK: Do you lean more toward the Democrats or the Republicans?

	3/20-24/14	1/17-21/14	12/5-9/13	10/3-7/13*	4/11-15/13	1/10-14/13	11/29-12/3/12
Total Democrat	41	44	42	44	44	46	49
Democrat	30	33	29	31	27	29	33
Independent – lean Democratic	8	9	8	10	10	12	10
None – lean Democratic	3	2	4	3	7	5	6
Total Republican	39	35	37	35	37	36	37
Republican	27	25	23	23	21	21	23
Independent – lean Republican	10	8	11	9	11	9	9
None – lean Republican	2	2	4	3	5	6	5
Independent – don't lean	6	5	10	9	7	7	6
None – don't lean	14	16	12	12	6	6	4
[VOL] Independent – lean other	na	na	na	na	1	1	1
[VOL] None – lean other	na	na	na	na	2	1	1
Don't know	na	na	na	na	2	2	1
Refused/Not answered	-	-	-	-	2	1	2

Based on: N=1,012 N=1,060 N=1,367 N=1,227 N=1,004 N=1,004 N=1,002



G11b. Generally speaking, do you consider yourself a...?

	3/20-24/14	1/17-21/14	12/5-9/13	10/3-7/13*	4/11-15/13	1/10-14/13	11/29-12/3/12
Liberal	18	20	20	18	22	21	21
Conservative	38	38	35	36	40	37	40
Moderate	40	38	42	41	30	35	32
Don't know	na	na	na	na	6	5	5
Refused/Not answered	4	5	4	5	2	1	2
Based on:	N=1.012	N=1.060	N=1.367	N=1.227	N=1.004	N=1.004	N=1.002

G11c. And when it comes to most [BOLD: social] issues, do you consider your views to be:

	3/20-24/14
Liberal	23
Conservative	36
Moderate	38
Refused/Not answered	4
Based on:	N=1,012

G11d. And when it comes to most [BOLD: economic or fiscal] issues, do you consider your views to be:

	3/20-24/14
Liberal	14
Conservative	42
Moderate	39
Refused/Not answered	5
Based on:	N=1,012



Are you currently registered to vote at your address, or not? S1.

	3/20-24/14	1/17-21/14	12/5-9/13	10/3-7/13*
Yes	77	73	79	78
No	16	20	16	15
Not sure	5	4	2	5
Refused/Not answered	2	3	2	3
Based on: (Excludes those living in ND)	N=1,009	N=1,058	N=1,365	N=1,225

N=1,058

N=1,365

S2. How often would you say you vote?

	3/20-24/14	1/17-21/14	12/5-9/13	10/3-7/13*
Always/Nearly always	66	63	67	68
Always	37	35	38	40
Nearly always	30	28	29	29
In about half of elections	10	8	11	10
Seldom/Never	22	26	21	20
Seldom	8	9	8	7
Never	14	17	13	13
Refused/Not answered	3	3	2	3

Based on: N=1,012 N=1,060 N=1,367 N=1,227





S5. How much interest do you have in following news about politics and elections?

	3/20-24/14	1/17-21/14	12/5-9/13	10/3-7/13*
A great deal/Quite a bit	40	42	43	48
A great deal	14	14	14	16
Quite a bit	26	28	29	32
Only some	29	26	31	39
Very little/No interest at all	28	29	24	28
Very little	17	15	14	12
No interest at all	11	14	10	10
Refused/Not answered	3	3	2	3

Based on: N=1,012 N=1,060 N=1,367 N=1,227

DM5. Which one of the following best describes where you live? [READ EACH ITEM]

Urban area	26
Suburban area	49
Rural area	23
Refused/Not Answered	3

Based on: N=1,012

INS1. The next questions are about your personal health insurance. Please include health insurance obtained through employment or purchased directly as well as government programs like Medicare and Medicaid that provide medical care or help pay medical bills.

Are you currently covered by any kind of health insurance or some other kind of health care plan or not?

	3/20-24/14	1/17-21/14	12/5-9/13	10/3-7/13*
Yes	85	83	82	83
No	12	16	16	14
Refused/Not answered	3	2	2	3

Based on: N=1,012 N=1,060 N=1,367 N=1,227





INS2. [IF YES IN INS1:]What kind of health insurance or health care coverage do you have? Is it Medicare, Medicaid, private insurance that you buy through your employer or on your own, or some other type?

	3/20-24/14	1/17-21/14	12/5-9/13	10/3-7/13*
Medicare	13	13	12	21
Medicare Advantage	4	4	5	na
Medicare plus a supplemental policy you				
purchased separately	6	7	5	na
Medicaid	6	9	6	7
Private insurance bought on your own	6	6	6	6
Job-based private insurance through your				
employer or a family member's employer	59	56	60	54
Something else	5	6	5	11
Refused/Not answered	1	*	1	1

Based on: Have health insurance N=897 N=923 N=1172 N=1,053

DM12. Do you consider yourself a born-again or evangelical Christian, or not?

Yes, born-again/evangelical	31
No	65
Refused/Not Answered	4

Based on: N=1,012

DM13. What is your religious preference?

Protestant	28
Catholic	22
Mormon	2
Jewish	3
Muslim	1
Other religion	14
Don't belong to religious denomination	28
Refused/Not Answered	3





DM14. [IF "OTHER RELIGION" IN DM13, ASK:] Do you consider yourself a Christian, or not?

Yes, a Christian	85
No, not a Christian	15
Refused/Not Answered	-

Based on: N=116

DM15. Aside from weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services?

Never	25
Less often than a few times a year	18
A few times a year	12
Once or twice a month	11
Once a week	20
More than once a week	12
Refused/Not Answered	3

Based on: N=1,012

DM7. Are you the parent or guardian of one or more children under the age of 18, or not?

Yes	28
No	70
Refused/Not Answered	2

Based on: N=1,012

PPEDUCAT. (4 category)

	40
Less than high school	12
High school	31
Some college	29
Bachelor's degree or higher	29





PPETHM

White, Non-Hispanic	70
Black, Non-Hispanic	10
Other, Non-Hispanic	3
Hispanic	15
2+ Races, Non-Hispanic	2

Based on: N=1,012

PPGENDER

Male	48
Female	52

Based on: N=1,012

PPWORK

Working – as a paid employee	54
Working – self-employed	7
Not working – on temporary layoff from a job	*
Not working – looking for work	8
Not working – retired	16
Not working – disabled	6
Not working - other	9

Based on: N=1,012

PPAGE

Age group:

18-29	22
30-49	34
50-64	26
65+	18





DM20. And in which group does your total household [IF SINGLE: "PERSONAL"] income fall? [READ LIST]

Under \$10,000	6
\$10,000 to under \$20,000	7
\$20,000 to under \$30,000	9
\$30,000 to under \$40,000	12
\$40,000 to under \$50,000	8
\$50,000 to under \$75,000	21
\$75,000 to under \$100,000	14
\$100,000 to under \$150,000	18
\$150,000 or more	7

Based on: N=1,012

CENSUS REGION:

Northeast	18
Midwest	22
South	37
West	23



AP-GfK Poll Methodology

The **Associated Press-GfK Poll** was conducted March 20-24, 2014 by GfK Public Affairs & Corporate Communications – a division of GfK Custom Research North America. This poll is based on a nationally-representative probability sample of 1,012 general population adults age 18 or older.

The survey was conducted using the web-enabled KnowledgePanel®, a probability-based panel designed to be representative of the U.S. population. At inception participants were chosen scientifically by a random selection of telephone numbers and since 2009 through Address-based sampling using the post office's delivery sequence file. Persons in these households are then invited to join and participate in the web-enabled KnowledgePanel®. For those who agree to participate, but do not already have Internet access, GfK provides at no cost a laptop and ISP connection. People who already have computers and Internet service are permitted to participate using their own equipment. Panelists then receive unique log-in information for accessing surveys online, and then are sent emails throughout each month inviting them to participate in research.

The data were weighted to account for probabilities of selection, as well as age within sex, education, race, and phone type. The phone type targets came from the Fall, 2012 MRI Consumer Survey. The other targets came from the March 2012 Supplement of the Current Population Survey.

The margin of sampling error is plus or minus 3.4 percentage points at the 95% confidence level, for results based on the entire sample of adults. The margin of sampling error is higher and varies for results based on sub-samples. In our reporting of the findings, percentage points are rounded off to the nearest whole number. As a result, percentages in a given table column may total slightly higher or lower than 100%. In questions that permit multiple responses, columns may total significantly more than 100%, depending on the number of different responses offered by each respondent. The cooperation rate for this poll was 46%.

Trend data are displayed for selected questions from previous AP-GfK Polls that were conducted using telephone interviews with nationally-representative probability samples of adults age 18 or older. Details about all AP-GfK Polls are available at http://www.ap-gfkpoll.com.



