



THE AP-GfK POLL

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Conducted by GfK Public Affairs & Corporate Communications

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

Interview dates: October 3–7 2013

Number of interviews, adults: 1,227

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>.*

CUR1 through IMG1 previously released

PIM1. Thinking about the Democratic and Republican parties, would you say there is a great deal of difference in what they stand for, a fair amount of difference or hardly any difference at all?

	10/3-7/13*	AP-Yahoo! 11/2-12/12/07
A great deal of difference	49	35
A fair amount of difference	33	48
Hardly any difference at all	16	16
Refused/Not answered	2	1

Based on:

N=1,227

N=2,735

Some questions held for later release

B1a/b through NCC19 previously released

GUNS2. Should gun laws in the United States be...

	10/3-7/13*
Total more strict	55
Much more strict	34
Somewhat more strict	21
Left as they are	28
Total less strict	14
Somewhat less strict	8
Much less strict	6
Refused/No answer	3

Based on:

N=1,227

NCC8. Do you favor or oppose providing a legal way for illegal immigrants already in the United States to become U.S. citizens?

	10/3-7/13*
Total Favor	52
Strongly favor	15
Somewhat favor	37
Total Oppose	44
Somewhat oppose	21
Strongly oppose	22
Refused/Not answered	4

Based on:

N=1,227

AB1. Which comes closest to your opinion on abortion? Abortion should be...

	10/3-7/13*	8/18-22/11	5/28/-6/1/09
Legal in Most/All Cases	54	51	51
Legal in all cases	34	18	19
Legal in most cases	19	33	33
Illegal in Most/All Cases	42	46	45
Illegal in most cases	13	29	24
Illegal in all cases	29	16	20
Don't know (DO NOT READ)	na	2	4
Refused/Not answered	4	1	1

Based on:

N=1,227

N=1,000

N=1,000

NCC29/
 NCC29A/
 NCC29B.

[IF CA, CT, DE, DC, IA, ME, MD, MA, MN, NH, NJ, NY, RI, VT, WA: Do you.../ALL OTHERS: Would you...] favor, oppose, or neither favor nor oppose a law allowing same-sex couples to be legally married in your state?

[IF "FAVOR"] Would you say you favor a law allowing same-sex couples to be legally married in your state strongly or just somewhat?

[IF "OPPOSE"] Would you say you oppose a law allowing same-sex couples to be legally married in your state strongly or just somewhat?

	10/3-7/13*	6/14-18/12	8/18-22/11
Total Favor	36	40	42
Strongly favor	31	26	32
Somewhat favor	5	13	11
Neither favor nor oppose	29	15	10
Total Oppose	33	42	45
Somewhat oppose	3	7	6
Strongly oppose	29	35	39
Already legal in my state [VOL]	na	1	1
Don't know [VOL]	na	2	1
Refused/Not answered	3	1	*

Based on:

N=1,227

N=1,007

N=1,000

CL1. What is your personal opinion? Do you think that the world's temperature:

	10/3-7/13*	11/29-12/3/12	11/17-29/09
Probably has been going up over the past 100 years	74	78	75
Probably has not been going up over the past 100 years	24	18	22
Don't know (DO NOT READ)	na	5	3
Refused/Not answered	2	*	*

Based on:

N=1,227

N=1,002

N=1,005

CL3. If nothing is done to reduce global warming in the future, how serious of a problem do you think it will be for THE UNITED STATES?

	10/3-7/13*	11/29-12/3/12	11/17-29/09
Total Serious	69	80	73
Very serious	34	49	42
Somewhat serious	34	31	31
Total Not Serious	29	18	26
Not so serious	18	9	13
Not serious at all	11	9	13
Don't know (DO NOT READ)	na	2	1
Refused/Not answered	2	*	*

Based on:

N=1,227

N=1,002

N=1,005

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

	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	1/5-10/11	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10
Supporter	17	23	22	27	23	22	25	30	28	25	33	30	30	31	30	36
Not a supporter	78	62	64	63	65	67	71	64	68	70	61	63	65	61	67	60
Don't know [VOL]	na	12	13	8	10	10	4	6	4	5	5	7	6	7	4	3
Refused/Not Answered	5	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	*	*	1	*	*	*	*	1

Based on: N=1,227 N=1,004 N=1,004 N=1,006 N=1,007 N=1,004 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,501 N=846

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

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

Based on: 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 N=1,006 N=1,007 N=1,004

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?

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

Based on:

N=1,227

N=1,004

N=1,004

N=1,002

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

	10/3-7/13*	4/11-15/13	1/10-14/13	11/29-12/3/12
Liberal	18	22	21	21
Conservative	36	40	37	40
Moderate	41	30	35	32
Don't know	na	6	5	5
Refused/Not answered	5	2	1	2

Based on:

N=1,227

N=1,004

N=1,004

N=1,002

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

	10/3-7/13*
Yes	78
No	15
Not sure	5
Refused/Not answered	3

Based on: (Excludes those living in ND)

N=1,225

S2. How often would you say you vote?

	10/3-7/13*
Always/Nearly always	68
Always	40
Nearly always	29
In about half of elections	10
Seldom/Never	20
Seldom	7
Never	13
Refused/Not answered	3

Based on:

N=1,227

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

	10/3-7/13*
A great deal/Quite a bit	48
A great deal	16
Quite a bit	32
Only some	28
Very little/No interest at all	21
Very little	12
No interest at all	10
Refused/Not answered	3

Based on:

N=1,227

S5a. Thinking about your interest in following news about politics and elections, would you say that you are more interested now than four years ago, less interested now, or is your interest in following news about politics and elections about the same as it was four years ago?

	10/3-7/13*
More interest now	30
Less interest now	11
About the same level of interest	56
Refused/Not answered	3

Based on:

N=1,227

S5b. [IF LESS INTEREST IN S5A] What is the main reason why you are less interested in following politics now than you were four years ago?

	10/3-7/13*
POLITICIAN MENTION - NET	73
Too many lies/Deception/Corruption	26
Politicians out of touch/Politicians have their own agendas	10
General politician mention	7
Too much arguing	8
Too divided/Need for unity/No compromising	6
Negative mention -- Republicans/tea party	5
Politicians incompetent/unaccountable	4
Negative mention -- Democrats/President Obama	4
Greed of politicians	3
PERSONAL FEELING - NET	32
Apathy/No interest/Boring	13
Tired of it	8
Disturbing/Frustrating	5
Do not understand/Confusing	4
Depressing	1
Disappointing	1
SYSTEM ISSUE - NET	25
Things never get better -- nothing changes	12
System broken	5
Need new blood	3
Nothing we can do/People powerless	2
Too much money in politics	2
Voters are not smart enough	*
Gerrymandering	*
OTHER ISSUES - NET	14
Negative news mention	10
Immigration	3
Economy/Jobs	1
DO NOT HAVE THE TIME TO PAY ATTENTION - NET	4
Other	10

Based on: Less interested

N=127

PIN2. Have you ever...

	Yes, since the beginning of 2012	Yes, in 2011 or earlier	No, I have not done this	Refused/ Not Answered
Contributed money to a candidate running for public office	5	12	80	4
Contacted any elected official	12	20	65	3
Signed or circulated a petition	15	27	55	3
Attended a campaign event	3	15	78	4
Signed up for a political candidate's or political party's e-mail list	6	14	77	3
Volunteered or worked on behalf of a candidate, party or political issue	2	10	84	4
Attended an organized protest of any kind	2	8	87	4

Based on: N=1,227

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

Urban area	26
Suburban area	46
Rural area	25
Refused/Not Answered	3

Based on:

N=1,227

FED1. Are you or is anyone in your household employed by the federal government?

	10/3-7/13*
Total yes	8
Yes, I am	2
Yes, someone else in my household is	5
Yes, I am and someone else in my household also is	1
No one in my household is employed by the federal government	89
Refused/Not answered	3

Based on:

N=1,227

INS1. The next questions are about 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 covered by any kind of health insurance or some other kind of health care plan or not?

	10/3-7/13*
Yes	83
No	14
Refused/Not answered	3

Based on:

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?

	10/3-7/13*
Medicare	21
Medicaid	7
Private insurance bought on your own	6
Private insurance purchased through your employer	54
Something else	11
Refused/Not answered	1

Based on:

N=1,227

GUNS4. Does anyone in your household own a gun, or not?

Yes	34
No	62
Refused/Not answered	4

Based on:

N=1,227

PPEDUCAT (4 category)

Less than high school	8
High school	35
Some college	29
Bachelor's degree or higher	28

Based on:

N=1,227

PPETHM

White, Non-Hispanic	70
Black, Non-Hispanic	12
Other, Non-Hispanic	3
Hispanic	14
2+ Races, Non-Hispanic	2

Based on:

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PPGENDER

Male	49
Female	51

Based on:

N=1,227

PPMARIT

Married	55
Widowed	5
Divorced	9
Separated	2
Never married	23

Based on:

N=1,227

PPWORK

Working – as a paid employee	49
Working – self-employed	7
Not working – on temporary layoff from a job	1
Not working – looking for work	9
Not working – retired	18
Not working – disabled	6
Not working - other	9

Based on:

N=1,227

PPAGE

Age group:

18-29	21
30-49	35
50-64	26
65+	18

Based on:

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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	9
\$20,000 to under \$30,000	11
\$30,000 to under \$40,000	11
\$40,000 to under \$50,000	7
\$50,000 to under \$75,000	21
\$75,000 to under \$100,000	12
\$100,000 to under \$150,000	17
\$150,000 or more	7

Based on:

N=1,227

CENSUS REGION:

Northeast	18
Midwest	22
South	37
West	23

Based on:

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AP-GfK Poll Methodology

The **Associated Press-GfK Poll** was conducted October 3-7, 2013 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 1,227 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.

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-gfkipoll.com>.