



THE AP-GfK POLL

December, 2014

Conducted by GfK Public Affairs & Corporate Communications

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

Interview dates: December 4-8 2014

Number of interviews, adults: 1,010

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-gfcpoll.com>.*

CUR1- CURJ11 previously released.

CURJ11R. Do you think it is likely, unlikely, or neither likely nor unlikely that the [BOLD, NEW COLOR: Republicans in Congress] will be able to achieve each of the following during the next two years?

CURJ11Ra. [IF NEITHER LIKELY NOR UNLIKELY or REFUSED IN CURJ11R] If you have to choose, do you lean more toward thinking it is likely or unlikely that the Republicans in Congress will [INSERT ITEM]?

Some items previously released.

[RANDOMIZE ORDER]	Total Likely	Likely	Lean likely	Total unlikely	Lean unlikely	Unlikely	REF
Block President Obama's executive order on immigration	47	38	9	52	15	37	1
Pass an immigration reform bill	36	27	9	63	12	51	1

Base: N=1,010

CURX1. How important are each of the following issues to you personally?

[ITEMS RANDOMIZED - some items previously released]

Immigration	12/4-8/14	TOTAL 10/16-20/14	REGISTERED VOTERS 10/16-20/14	LIKELY VOTERS 10/16-20/14	TOTAL 9/25-29/14	REGISTERED VOTERS 9/25-29/14	LIKELY VOTERS 9/25-29/14	7/24-28/14	3/20-24/14
Extremely/Very important	50	57	59	65	58	59	66	62	52
Extremely important	22	28	29	33	31	31	35	35	24
Very important	28	29	30	32	27	29	31	27	28
Moderately important	26	24	25	23	25	24	21	23	30
Slightly/Not at all important	21	17	16	12	15	15	12	14	17
Slightly important	14	12	13	9	10	11	9	10	12
Not at all important	7	5	4	3	5	4	3	4	5
Refused/Not Answered	3	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2

Based on:

N=1,010

N=1,608

N=1,385

N=968

N=1,845

N=1,541

N=958

N=1,044

N=1,354

CURY2/3/3a. Overall, do you approve, disapprove, or neither approve nor disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling...

[RESPONDENTS SHOWN EACH ITEM ON A SEPARATE SCREEN]

[ITEMS RANDOMIZED - some items previously released]

Immigration	12/4-8/14	TOTAL 10/16-20/14	REGISTERED VOTERS 10/16-20/14	LIKELY VOTERS 10/16-20/14	TOTAL 9/25-29/14	REGISTERED VOTERS 9/25-29/14	LIKELY VOTERS 9/25-29/14	7/24-28/14	5/16-19/14	3/20-24/14	1/17-21/14	12/5-9/13
Total approve	41	35	37	34	34	35	35	31	38	38	41	40
Approve	32	20	21	21	21	22	22	18	22	23	24	25
Lean towards approving	9	15	15	13	14	14	13	12	17	15	17	15
Don't lean either way	*	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	*
Total disapprove	57	63	62	65	64	64	64	68	60	61	57	59
Lean towards disapproving	8	13	11	7	12	11	9	11	13	17	13	15
Disapprove	49	51	52	58	51	53	55	57	46	43	45	45
Refused/Not Answered	1	1	*	-	1	*	*	1	1	*	*	*

Based on: N=1,010 N=1,608 N=1,385 N=968 N=1,845 N=1,541 N=958 N=1,044 N=1,354 N=513 N=565 N=701

CUR25. Which party do you trust to do a better job of:

[GRID, RANDOMIZE ITEMS - some items previously released]

Handling immigration	12/4-8/14	TOTAL 10/16-20/14	REGISTERED VOTERS 10/16-20/14	LIKELY VOTERS 10/16-20/14	TOTAL 9/25-29/14	REGISTERED VOTERS 9/25-29/14	LIKELY VOTERS 9/25-29/14	7/24-28/14	5/16-19/14	3/20-24/14	12/5-9/13
The Democratic Party	30	28	30	30	29	30	30	25	29	25	27
The Republican Party	26	27	29	35	26	28	33	29	23	26	23
Both equally	11	14	13	11	15	15	12	16	15	18	19
Neither	31	29	27	23	28	26	25	29	30	30	30
Refused/Not Answered	3	2	1	1	2	1	1	2	2	2	1

Based on: N=1,010 N=1,608 N=1,385 N=968 N=1,845 N=1,541 N=958 N=1,044 N=1,354 N=1,012 N=1,367

FAV1 previously released.
 Some items held for future release.
 HC1-HC39 previously released.

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

	12/4-8/14	TOTAL 10/16-20/14	REGISTERED VOTERS 10/16-20/14	LIKELY VOTERS 10/16-20/14	TOTAL 9/25-29/14	REGISTERED VOTERS 9/25-29/14	LIKELY VOTERS 9/25-29/14	7/24-28/14	5/16-19/14	3/20-24/14	1/17-21/14	12/5-9/13	10/3-7/13*
Total Favor	58	54	53	53	53	52	53	51	55	55	56	55	52
Strongly favor	19	19	18	19	20	18	17	18	20	20	17	18	15
Somewhat favor	38	34	34	34	33	35	36	34	35	36	39	36	37
Total Oppose	40	44	46	47	45	47	47	46	42	42	41	43	44
Somewhat oppose	16	22	23	21	23	24	23	21	23	21	20	22	21
Strongly oppose	24	22	23	25	22	23	24	25	19	21	21	21	22
Refused/Not answered	3	2	1	1	2	1	1	3	3	3	3	2	4

Based on: N=1,010 N=1,608 N=1,385 N=968 N=1,845 N=1,541 N=958 N=1,044 N=1,354 N=1,012 N=1,060 N=1,367 N=1,227

IM25. Do you favor or oppose providing a way for immigrants who were brought to the United States illegally as children to stay legally?

	12/4-8/14
Total Favor	58
Strongly favor	22
Somewhat favor	36
Total Oppose	40
Somewhat oppose	21
Strongly oppose	19
Refused/Not answered	2

Based on: N=1,010

IM25a [IF IM25=Strongly or somewhat favor] Should the government provide immigrants who were brought to the United States illegally as children with a way to become citizens or a way to stay in the country without becoming citizens?

	12/4-8/14
Stay and become citizens	86
Stay without becoming citizens	14
Refused/Not answered	*

Based on: Favor

N=566

IM25b [IF IM25=Strongly or somewhat oppose] Should the government try to deport all immigrants who were brought to the United States illegally as children or not?

	12/4-8/14
Should try to deport all of them	68
Should not try to deport all of them	31
Refused/Not answered	2

Based on: Oppose

N=424

IM26. Do you favor or oppose providing a way for immigrants who live in the United States illegally but whose children are U.S. citizens or permanent residents to stay legally?

	12/4-8/14
Total Favor	57
Strongly favor	19
Somewhat favor	38
Total Oppose	41
Somewhat oppose	23
Strongly oppose	18
Refused/Not answered	2

Based on:

N=1,010

IM26a [IF IM26=Strongly or somewhat favor] Should the government provide immigrants who live in the United States illegally but whose children are U.S. citizens or permanent residents with a way to become citizens or a way to stay in the country without becoming citizens?

	12/4-8/14
Stay and become citizens	82
Stay without becoming citizens	17
Refused/Not answered	1

Based on: Favor

N=569

IM26b [IF IM25=Strongly or somewhat oppose] Should the government try to deport all immigrants who live in the United States illegally but whose children are U.S. citizens or not?

	12/4-8/14
Should try to deport all of them	68
Should not try to deport all of them	31
Refused/Not answered	1

Based on: Oppose

N=424

IM28. Do you think President Obama was right to take executive action on immigration, or should he have kept trying to make a deal with the Republicans?

	12/4-8/14
Right to take executive action	43
Should have kept trying to make a deal	54
Refused/Not answered	3

Based on:

N=1,010

Some items held for future release.

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

	12/4-8/14	TOTAL 10/16-20/14	REGISTERED VOTERS 10/16-20/14	LIKELY VOTERS 10/16-20/14	TOTAL 9/25-29/14	REGISTERED VOTERS 9/25-29/14	LIKELY VOTERS 9/25-29/14	7/24-28/14	5/16-19/14	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
Supporter	20	19	22	27	17	20	26	23	20	22	27	20	17	23	22	27	23
Not a supporter	76	78	75	71	79	77	72	74	77	73	67	76	78	62	64	63	65
Don't know [VOL]	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	12	13	8	10
Refused/Not Answered	4	3	2	2	4	3	2	4	4	6	6	4	5	3	1	1	1

Based on: N=1,010 N=1,008 N=1,385 N=968 N=1,845 N=1,541 N=958 N=1,044 N=1,354 N=1,012 N=1,060 N=1,367 N=1,227 N=1,004 N=1,004 N=1,006 N=1,007

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

	12/4-8/14	TOTAL 10/16-20/14	REGISTERED VOTERS 10/16-20/14	LIKELY VOTERS 10/16-20/14	TOTAL 9/25-29/14	REGISTERED VOTERS 9/25-29/14	LIKELY VOTERS 9/25-29/14	7/24-28/14	5/16-19/14	3/20-24/14
Strongly	36	36	35	38	31	31	34	35	28	31
Somewhat	63	64	65	62	68	67	65	64	71	67
Refused/Not Answered	1	*	*	-	1	1	1	1	1	2

Based on: Tea Party Supporter N=225 N=332 N=318 N=261 N=361 N=331 N=255 N=259 N=263 N=227

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

	12/4-8/14	TOTAL 10/16-20/14	REGISTERED VOTERS 10/16-20/14	LIKELY VOTERS 10/16-20/14	TOTAL 9/25-29/14	REGISTERED VOTERS 9/25-29/14	LIKELY VOTERS 9/25-29/14	7/24-28/14	5/16-19/14	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
Democrat	31	30	34	34	31	36	35	29	32	30	33	29	31	27	29	33
Independent	24	23	23	23	24	25	25	24	21	24	23	28	27	29	30	27
Republican	24	26	29	35	24	27	32	28	26	27	25	23	23	21	21	23
None of these	18	19	12	8	19	11	7	17	19	16	18	17	15	20	19	15
Don't know [VOL]	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	1	*	1
Refused/Not Answered	3	2	2	1	2	1	1	3	3	3	2	2	3	3	1	2

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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?

	12/4-8/14	TOTAL 10/16-20/14	REGISTERED VOTERS 10/16-20/14	LIKELY VOTERS 10/16-20/14	TOTAL 9/25-29/14	REGISTERED VOTERS 9/25-29/14	LIKELY VOTERS 9/25-29/14	7/24-28/14	5/16-19/14	3/20-24/14	1/17-21/14	12/5-9/13	10/3-7/13*
Total Democrat	41	41	44	42	43	47	45	40	43	41	44	42	44
Democrat	31	30	34	34	31	36	35	29	32	30	33	29	31
Independent – lean Democratic	7	7	7	7	8	8	9	8	9	8	9	8	10
None – lean Democratic	2	4	3	1	4	2	2	4	3	3	2	4	3
Total Republican	38	37	41	47	34	38	45	38	34	39	35	37	35
Republican	24	26	29	35	24	27	32	28	26	27	25	23	23
Independent – lean Republican	9	8	9	10	8	9	10	8	6	10	8	11	9
None – lean Republican	5	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	4	3
Independent – don't lean	8	7	7	6	8	8	7	8	7	6	5	10	9
None – don't lean	14	14	8	5	15	8	4	14	16	14	16	12	12
[VOL] Independent – lean other	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
[VOL] None – lean other	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Don't know	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Refused/Not answered	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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

	12/4-8/14	TOTAL 10/16-20/14	REGISTERED VOTERS 10/16-20/14	LIKELY VOTERS 10/16-20/14	TOTAL 9/25-29/14	REGISTERED VOTERS 9/25-29/14	LIKELY VOTERS 9/25-29/14	7/24-28/14	5/16-19/14	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	20	21	21	20	20	20	19	16	22	18	20	20	18	22	21	21
Conservative	35	33	36	41	31	35	40	34	33	38	38	35	36	40	37	40
Moderate	40	42	42	39	45	43	40	45	42	40	38	42	41	30	35	32
Don't know	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	6	5	5
Refused/Not answered	5	3	2	1	4	2	1	4	4	4	5	4	5	2	1	2

Based on: N=1,010 N=1,608 N=1,385 N=968 N=1,224 N=1,016 N=643 N=1,044 N=1,354 N=1,012 N=1,060 N=1,367 N=1,227 N=1,004 N=1,004 N=1,002

DM5. Which one of the following best describes where you live?

Urban area	25
Suburban area	49
Rural area	23
Refused/Not Answered	3

Based on:

N=1,010

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?

	12/4-8/14	TOTAL 10/16-20/14	5/16-19/14	3/20-24/14	1/17-21/14	12/5-9/13	10/3-7/13*
Yes	86	86	82	85	83	82	83
No	11	12	15	12	16	16	14
Refused/Not answered	3	2	3	3	2	2	3

Based on:

N=1,010

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

Yes, born-again/evangelical	30
No	66
Refused/Not Answered	4

Based on:

N=1,010

DM13. What is your religious preference?

Protestant	27
Catholic	23
Mormon	2
Jewish	2
Muslim	*
Other religion	14
Don't belong to religious denomination	27
Refused/Not Answered	4

Based on:

N=1,010

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

Yes, a Christian	91
No, not a Christian	9
Refused/Not Answered	-

Based on:

N=125

PPEDUCAT. (4 category)

Less than high school	10
High school	32
Some college	29
Bachelor's degree or higher	29

Based on:

N=1,010

PPETHM

White, Non-Hispanic	68
Black, Non-Hispanic	11
Other, Non-Hispanic	2
Hispanic	15
2+ Races, Non-Hispanic	3

Based on:

N=1,010

PPGENDER

Male	48
Female	52

Based on:

N=1,010

PPWORK

Working – as a paid employee	54
Working – self-employed	7
Not working – on temporary layoff from a job	1
Not working – looking for work	6
Not working – retired	19
Not working – disabled	5
Not working - other	8

Based on:

N=1,010

PPAGE

Age group:

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

Based on:

N=1,010

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

Under \$10,000	5
\$10,000 to under \$20,000	8
\$20,000 to under \$30,000	9
\$30,000 to under \$40,000	10
\$40,000 to under \$50,000	7
\$50,000 to under \$75,000	22
\$75,000 to under \$100,000	13
\$100,000 to under \$150,000	18
\$150,000 or more	8

Based on:

N=1,010

CENSUS REGION:

Northeast	18
Midwest	22
South	37
West	23

Based on:

N=1,010

AP-GfK Poll Methodology

The **Associated Press-GfK Poll** was conducted December 4-8 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 1,010 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 services 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 48%.

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>.