

## USA TODAY/GALLUP POLL

### CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS INTO TERRORISM ACTIVITY AMONG U.S. MUSLIMS

Results are based on telephone interviews conducted March 8, 2011, on the Gallup Daily tracking survey, with a random sample of ~1,006—adults, aged 18+, living in all 50 U.S. states and the District of Columbia, selected using random-digit dial sampling.

For results based on the total sample of national adults, one can say with 95% confidence that the margin of error is  $\pm 4$  percentage points.

Interviews are conducted with respondents on landline telephones and cellular phones, with interviews conducted in Spanish for respondents who are primarily Spanish-speaking. Each daily sample of 1,000 national adults includes a minimum quota of 200 cell phone respondents and 800 landline respondents, with additional minimum quotas among landline respondents for gender within region. Landline respondents are chosen at random within each household on the basis of which member had the most recent birthday.

Samples are weighted by gender, age, race, Hispanic ethnicity, education, region, adults in the household, cell phone only status, cell phone mostly status and phone lines. Demographic weighting targets are based on the March 2010 Current Population Survey figures for the age 18+ non-institutionalized population living in U.S. telephone households. All reported margins of sampling error include the computed design effects for weighting and sample design.

In addition to sampling error, question wording and practical difficulties in conducting surveys can introduce error or bias into the findings of public opinion polls.

Polls conducted entirely in one day, such as this one, are subject to additional error or bias not found in polls conducted over several days.

For more details on Gallup's polling methodology, visit [www.gallup.com](http://www.gallup.com)

1. Now thinking specifically about Muslims, do you think each of the following applies – or does not apply – to Muslims living in the U.S.? How about they are – [RANDOM ORDER]?

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*(sorted by “applies”)*

	<u>Applies</u>	<u>Does not apply</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
Committed to their religious beliefs	82	8	11
Supportive of the United States	53	32	15
Too extreme in their religious beliefs	36	50	15
Sympathetic to the al-Qaeda terrorist organization	28	54	18

2. As you may know, Congress is scheduled to begin hearings this week to explore al Qaeda’s efforts to recruit terrorists in the U.S., as well as whether the Muslim-American community is doing enough to stop those efforts. Do you think it is appropriate or not appropriate to hold these hearings focused just on U.S. Muslims?

	<u>Appropriate</u>	<u>Not appropriate</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
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