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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted August 4-7, 2011 with a random sample of **–1,319—**adults, aged 18+, living in all 50 U.S. states and the District of Columbia, including an oversample of **–376—**non-Hispanic blacks, consisting of **–88—**interviews done as part of the random national sample and **–288—**interviews with blacks who had previously participated in national Gallup Polls and agreed to be re-interviewed at a later date. The data from the national sample and re-interviews are combined and weighted to be demographically representative of the national adult population in the United States and to reflect the proper proportion of blacks in the overall population.

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

For results based on the sample of **– 376—**non-Hispanic blacks, the maximum margin of error is ± 6 percentage points.

For results based on the sample of **– 796—**non-Hispanic whites, the maximum margin of error is ± 5 percentage points.

For results based on the sample of **–1,204—** registered voters, the maximum margin of sampling error is ± 4 percentage points.

For results based on the sample of **– 347—**non-Hispanic black registered voters, the maximum margin of error is ± 7 percentage points.

For results based on the sample of **– 746—**non-Hispanic white registered voters, the maximum margin of error is ± 5 percentage points.

Interviews for the random national sample are conducted with respondents on landline telephones and cellular phones, with interviews conducted in Spanish for respondents who are primarily Spanish-speaking. Each sample includes a minimum quota of 400 cell phone respondents and 600 landline respondents, with additional minimum quotas among landline respondents by region. Landline numbers are chosen at random among listed telephone numbers, cell phone numbers are selected using random-digit dial methods. 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, and phone status (cell phone only/landline only/both, having an unlisted landline number, and being cell phone mostly). 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.

11. Do you think that relations between blacks and whites will always be a problem for the United States, or that a solution will eventually be worked out?

<i>2011 Aug 4-7</i>	<u>Always a problem</u>	<u>Eventually worked out</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
National adults	46	52	2
<i>Blacks</i>	55	42	2
<i>Whites</i>	44	54	2
<i>National adults trend:</i>			
2011 Aug 4-7	46	52	2
2009 Oct 16-19	40	56	4
2008 Nov 5 †	30	67	3
2008 Jun 5-Jul 6	38	58	3
2008 May 1-3	42	54	4
2007 Jun 4-24	43	54	4
2006 Jun 8-25	42	54	4
2005 Jun 6-25	46	50	4
2004 Jun 9-30	45	51	4
2002 Dec 9-2003 Feb 11	47	50	3
2001 Mar 23-May 16	47	48	5
1999 Sep 24-Nov 16	52	44	4
1998 Aug 13-Oct 26	56	41	3
1997 Jan 4-Feb 28	55	42	3
1995 Oct 19-22	68	29	3
1995 Oct 5-7	54	41	5
1993 Aug 23-25	53	44	3
1963 Dec ^	42	55	3
<i>Trend for blacks:</i>			
2011 Aug 4-7	55	42	2
2009 Oct 16-19	55	42	3
2008 Jun 5-Jul 6	49	50	2
2007 Jun 4-24	56	41	3
2006 Jun 8-25	55	43	2
2005 Jun 6-25	57	41	2
2004 Jun 9-30	57	41	2
2002 Dec 9-2003 Feb 11	59	39	2
2001 Mar 23-May 16	66	32	2
1999 Sep 24-Nov 16	59	36	5
1998 Aug 13-Oct 26	58	38	4
1997 Jan 4-Feb 28	58	38	4
1995 Oct 19-22	64	33	3
1995 Oct 5-7	55	41	4
1993 Aug 23-25	55	44	1
1963 Dec ^	26	70	4

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Q.11 (BLACK-WHITE RELATIONS)

	<u>Always a problem</u>	<u>Eventually worked out</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
<i>Trend for non-Hispanic whites:</i>			
2011 Aug 4-7	44	54	2
2009 Oct 16-19	38	58	4
2008 Jun 5-Jul 6	37	59	4
2007 Jun 4-24	41	55	4
2006 Jun 8-25	40	56	4
2005 Jun 6-25	46	51	3
2004 Jun 9-30	44	52	4
 <i><u>Long-term trend: Whites (including Hispanics)</u></i>			
2011 Aug 4-7	45	53	2
2009 Oct 16-19	38	59	4
2008 Jun 5-Jul 6	36	60	4
2007 Jun 4-24	42	54	4
2006 Jun 8-25	40	56	4
2005 Jun 6-25	45	52	3
2004 Jun 9-30	44	52	4
2002 Dec 9-2003 Feb 11	46	51	3
2001 Mar 23-May 16	45	50	5
1999 Sep 24-Nov 16	51	45	4
1998 Aug 13-Oct 26	57	41	2
1997 Jan 4-Feb 28	54	42	4
1995 Oct 19-22	68	29	3
1995 Oct 5-7	55	40	5
1993 Aug 23-25	53	44	3
1963 Dec ^	44	53	3

† USA Today/Gallup poll asked on Gallup tracking survey

^ NORC poll

12. How much of a role, if any, do you think the government should have in trying to improve the social and economic position of blacks and other minority groups in this country – a major role, a minor role, or no role at all?

	<u>Major role</u>	<u>Minor role</u>	<u>No role</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2011 Aug 4-7				
National adults	27	46	26	1
<i>Blacks</i>	59	32	8	1
<i>Whites</i>	19	50	30	1
National adults trend:				
2011 Aug 4-7	27	46	26	1
2005 Jun 6-25	37	44	17	2
2004 Jun 9-30	40	45	14	1
Trend for blacks:				
2011 Aug 4-7	59	32	8	1
2005 Jun 6-25	71	21	6	2
2004 Jun 9-30	68	22	9	1
Trend for whites:				
2011 Aug 4-7	19	50	30	1
2005 Jun 6-25	26	52	21	1
2004 Jun 9-30	32	51	16	1

14. Thinking back over your lifetime, how do you feel civil rights for blacks have changed in this country -- would you say the situation has greatly improved, somewhat improved, stayed pretty much the same, somewhat worsened, or greatly worsened?

	<u>Greatly improved</u>	<u>Some-what improved</u>	<u>Same</u>	<u>Some-what worsened</u>	<u>Greatly worsened</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2011 Aug4-7						
National adults	50	39	8	1	2	1
<i>Blacks</i>	29	56	9	4	2	*
<i>Whites</i>	53	37	8	1	1	1
National adults trend						
2011 Aug 4-7	50	39	8	1	2	1
2003 Jun 12-18	45	42	9	3	*	1
1995 Oct 19-22	32	51	9	5	2	1
Trend for blacks:						
2011 Aug 4-7	29	56	9	4	2	*
2003 Jun 12-18	25	46	13	13	1	2
1995 Oct 19-22	25	51	14	7	2	1
Trend for whites:						
2011 Aug 4-7	53	37	8	1	1	1
2003 Jun 12-15	48	41	8	2	*	1
1995 Oct 19-22	34	51	8	5	1	1

15. Do you think new civil rights laws are needed to reduce discrimination against blacks, or not?

<i>2011 Aug 4-7</i>	<u>Yes, new laws needed</u>	<u>No, not needed</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
National adults	21	76	2
<i>Blacks</i>	52	48	1
<i>Whites</i>	15	83	3
 <i>National adults trend</i>			
2011 Aug 4-7	21	76	2
2003 Jun 12-18	26	70	4
1993 Aug 23-25	38	58	4
 <i>Trend for blacks:</i>			
2011 Aug 4-7	52	48	1
2003 Jun 12-18	52	41	7
1993 Aug 23-25	70	26	4
 <i>Trend for whites:</i>			
2011 Aug 4-7	15	83	3
2003 Jun 12-15	20	77	3
1993 Aug 23-25	33	62	5