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DECEMBER WAVE 1

-- FINAL TOPLINE --

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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted December 14-17, 2012 with a random sample of **-1,025-** adults, aged 18+, living in all 50 U.S. states and the District of Columbia.

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.

Interviews 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 per 1,000 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, population density 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 2011 Current Population Survey figures for the age 18+ U.S. population. All reported margins of sampling error include the computed design effects for weighting.

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.

16. Next, we'd like you to think about how the United States compares with all other modern, industrialized nations in the world in several areas. For each of the following, please say if conditions in the United States are the best, above average, average, below average or the worst, relative to all other modern industrialized countries. First, [RANDOM ORDER].

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Sorted by "best/above average"

	Best/ Above average	Average	Worst/ Below average
Individual freedoms	77	16	8
The quality of life	65	26	8
The opportunity for people to get ahead	55	29	16
The system of government	46	34	21
The economic system	34	41	24
The healthcare system	29	33	38

FULL RESULTS:

A. The system of government

	<u>The best</u>	<u>Above average</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Below average</u>	<u>Worst</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2012 Dec 14-17	17	29	34	17	4	1

B. The healthcare system

	<u>The best</u>	<u>Above average</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Below average</u>	<u>Worst</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2012 Dec 14-17	10	19	33	32	6	1

C. The economic system

	<u>The best</u>	<u>Above average</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Below average</u>	<u>Worst</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2012 Dec 14-17	10	24	41	21	3	2

D. Individual freedoms

	<u>The best</u>	<u>Above average</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Below average</u>	<u>Worst</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2012 Dec 14-17	32	45	16	7	1	*

E. The opportunity for people to get ahead

	<u>The best</u>	<u>Above average</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Below average</u>	<u>Worst</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
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2012 Dec 14-17	18	37	29	12	4	1
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F. The quality of life

	<u>The best</u>	<u>Above average</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Below average</u>	<u>Worst</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2012 Dec 14-17	20	45	26	7	1	1