

GALLUP NEWS SERVICE

OBAMA GUN PROPOSALS II

Results are based on telephone interviews with –1,013– national adults, aged 18+, conducted January 19-20, 2013. 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 of national adults includes a minimum quota of 50% cell phone respondents and 50% landline respondents, with additional minimum quotas by region. Landline telephone numbers are chosen at random among listed telephone numbers. Cell phones 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 to correct for unequal selection probability, non-response, and double coverage of landline and cell users in the two sampling frames. They are also weighted to match the national demographics of gender, age, race, Hispanic ethnicity, education, region, population density, and phone status (cell phone-only/landline only/both, cell phone mostly, and having an unlisted landline number). Demographic weighting targets are based on the March 2012 Current Population Survey figures for the aged 18 and older U.S. population. Phone status targets are based on the July-December 2011 National Health Interview Survey. Population density targets are based on the 2010 census. 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.

1. Next, suppose that on Election Day you could vote on key issues as well as candidates. Would you vote for or against a law that would – [RANDOM ORDER]?

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Sorted by “vote for”

	Vote for	Vote against	No opinion
Require criminal background checks for all gun sales	91	8	2
Increase government spending for mental health programs for young people	82	15	3
Increase government spending for training police officers, first responders and school officials on how to respond to active armed attacks	79	19	2
Increase criminal penalties for people who pass the required background check but who buy a gun for someone who has not passed a background check	75	23	2
Spend \$4 billion of federal government money to help keep 15,000 police officers on the street	70	24	6
Spend \$30 million of federal government money to help schools develop emergency response plans	69	27	4
Ban the possession of armor-piercing bullets by anyone other than members of the military and law enforcement	67	30	3
Reinstate and strengthen the ban on assault weapons that was in place from 1994 to 2004	60	35	5
Limit the sale of ammunition magazines to those with 10 rounds or less	54	43	3

2. If you had to choose, which approach to preventing future school shootings should the president and Congress focus on– [ROTATED: making major changes to the laws on the sale of guns and ammunition, (or) making major changes to school security measures and the mental health system]?

	<u>Laws on sales of guns and ammunition</u>	<u>School security measures and mental health system</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2013 Jan 19-20	30	65	6

3. Do you have a gun in your home, or anywhere else on your property such as in your garage, barn, shed, or in your car or truck?

4. (*If gun in household, ask:*) Do you personally own a gun, or do the gun or guns in your household belong to another household member?

	<u>Personally own</u>	<u>Other household member owns</u>	<u>No gun owned</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2013 Jan 19-20	23	13	63	*