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### **GALLUP POLL SOCIAL SERIES: MOOD OF THE NATION**

**-- FINAL TOPLINE --**

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**Results are based on telephone interviews conducted January 7-10, 2013 with a random sample of –1,011— 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  $\pm 4$  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 sample includes a minimum quota of 500 cell phone respondents and 500 landline respondents per 1,000 respondents, with additional minimum quotas 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 2012 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.**

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11. Next, we'd like to know how you feel about the state of the nation in each of the following areas. For each one, please say whether you are -- very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied. If you don't have enough information about a particular subject to rate it, just say so. How about -- [ITEMS A-P ROTATED, THEN ITEM Q READ]?

<i><b>2013 Jan 7-10</b></i> <i><b>(sorted by "satisfied")</b></i>	Total satisfied	Total dissatisfied
The nation's military strength and preparedness	74	21
The nation's security from terrorism	67	29
The quality of the environment in the nation	57	39
The state of race relations	50	41
The acceptance of homosexuality in the nation	49	45
The role the U.S. plays in world affairs	44	50
The nation's policies regarding the abortion issue	44	46
The Social Security and Medicare systems	43	50
The nation's laws or policies on guns	43	51
The nation's policies to reduce or control crime	41	54
The quality of public education in the nation	41	56
The availability of affordable health care	40	58
The nation's energy policies	37	47
The level of immigration into the country today	36	56
The amount Americans pay in federal taxes	36	60
The nation's efforts to deal with poverty and homelessness	25	70
The state of the nation's economy	20	79

#### **FULL TRENDS: SATISFACTION WITH THE STATE OF THE NATION**

##### **A. The nation's policies regarding the abortion issue**

	<u>Very satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat dissatisfied</u>	<u>Very dissatisfied</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Total satisfied</u>	<u>Total dissatisfied</u>
2013 Jan 7-10	12	32	21	25	11	44	46
2012 Jan 5-8	10	29	21	25	15	39	46
2008 Jan 4-6	12	31	23	20	13	43	43
2007 Jan 15-18	12	29	22	25	12	41	47
2006 Jan 9-12	11	29	22	26	12	40	48
2005 Jan 3-5	13	29	21	26	11	42	47
2004 Jan 12-15	12	33	22	24	9	45	46
2003 Jan 13-16	10	32	24	22	12	42	46
2002 Jan 7-9	11	37	19	24	9	48	43
2001 Jan 10-14	11	32	21	26	10	43	47

**Q.11 (SATISFACTION WITH STATE OF NATION) CONTINUED****B. The nation's policies to reduce or control crime**

	<u>Very satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat dissatisfied</u>	<u>Very dissatisfied</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Total satisfied</u>	<u>Total dissatisfied</u>
2013 Jan 7-10	8	33	30	24	5	41	54
2012 Jan 5-8	7	43	25	20	6	50	45
2008 Jan 4-6	7	41	30	18	4	48	48
2007 Jan 15-18	9	38	31	18	4	47	49
2006 Jan 9-12	8	40	29	18	5	48	47
2005 Jan 3-5	11	46	23	16	4	57	39
2004 Jan 12-15	10	43	28	16	3	53	44
2003 Jan 13-16	8	43	28	18	3	51	46
2002 Jan 7-9	10	44	30	13	3	54	43
2001 Jan 10-14	6	39	32	20	3	45	52

**C. The state of the nation's economy**

	<u>Very satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat dissatisfied</u>	<u>Very dissatisfied</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Total satisfied</u>	<u>Total dissatisfied</u>
2013 Jan 7-10	3	17	33	46	2	20	79
2012 Jan 5-8	1	12	32	51	4	13	83
2008 Jan 4-6	5	31	33	28	3	36	61
2007 Jan 15-18	12	40	26	18	4	52	44
2006 Jan 9-12	10	37	30	20	2	47	50
2005 Jan 3-5	6	41	32	19	2	47	51
2004 Jan 12-15	6	39	33	20	2	45	53
2003 Jan 13-16	3	31	41	23	2	34	64
2002 Jan 7-9	4	46	37	11	2	50	48
2001 Jan 10-14	12	56	19	8	5	68	27

**D. The quality of public education in the nation**

	<u>Very satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat dissatisfied</u>	<u>Very dissatisfied</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Total satisfied</u>	<u>Total dissatisfied</u>
2013 Jan 7-10	11	30	27	29	3	41	56
2012 Jan 5-8	7	30	28	33	2	37	61
2008 Jan 4-6	11	31	30	27	2	42	57
2007 Jan 15-18	11	30	29	28	2	41	57
2006 Jan 9-12	11	31	29	27	2	42	56
2005 Jan 3-5	9	31	32	26	2	40	58
2004 Jan 12-15	9	33	31	25	2	42	56
2003 Jan 13-16	11	31	32	25	1	42	57
2002 Jan 7-9	12	33	28	26	1	45	54
2001 Jan 10-14	10	30	32	25	3	40	57

## Q.11 (SATISFACTION WITH STATE OF NATION) CONTINUED

### E. The nation's energy policies

	<u>Very satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat dissatisfied</u>	<u>Very dissatisfied</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Total satisfied</u>	<u>Total dissatisfied</u>
2013 Jan 7-10	6	31	29	18	16	37	47
2012 Jan 5-8	5	29	26	25	15	34	51
2008 Jan 4-6	4	27	27	32	10	31	59
2007 Jan 15-18	6	27	26	27	14	33	53
2006 Jan 9-12	5	24	28	27	16	29	55
2005 Jan 3-5	5	34	25	20	16	39	45
2004 Jan 12-15	6	40	25	16	13	46	41
2003 Jan 13-16	6	34	26	17	17	40	43
2002 Jan 7-9	6	39	27	15	13	45	42
2001 Jan 10-14	5	27	28	21	19	32	49

### F. The quality of the environment in the nation

	<u>Very satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat dissatisfied</u>	<u>Very dissatisfied</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Total satisfied</u>	<u>Total dissatisfied</u>
2013 Jan 7-10	11	46	27	12	5	57	39
2012 Jan 5-8	8	43	30	13	6	51	43
2008 Jan 4-6	11	36	31	18	3	47	49
2007 Jan 15-18	9	37	27	23	4	46	50
2006 Jan 9-12	11	41	27	18	4	52	45
2005 Jan 3-5	10	44	26	16	4	54	42
2004 Jan 12-15	9	43	31	14	3	52	45
2003 Jan 13-16	10	45	28	14	3	55	42
2002 Jan 7-9	9	47	26	15	3	56	41
2001 Jan 10-14	8	48	27	13	4	56	40

### G. The role the U.S. plays in world affairs

	<u>Very satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat dissatisfied</u>	<u>Very dissatisfied</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Total satisfied</u>	<u>Total dissatisfied</u>
2013 Jan 7-10	10	34	29	21	6	44	50
2012 Jan 5-8	9	33	32	21	6	42	53
2008 Jan 4-6	10	30	29	27	4	40	56
2007 Jan 15-18	11	29	29	27	4	40	56
2006 Jan 9-12	12	32	27	24	5	44	51
2005 Jan 3-5 ^	17	35	23	21	4	52	44
2004 Jan 12-15 ^	16	34	27	21	2	50	48
2003 Jan 13-16 ^	14	41	24	16	5	55	40
2002 Jan 7-9 ^	20	46	21	10	3	66	31
2001 Jan 10-14 ^	13	48	23	11	5	61	34

^ WORDING: The role America plays in world affairs.

**Q.11 (SATISFACTION WITH STATE OF NATION) CONTINUED****H. The nation's laws or policies on guns**

	<u>Very satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat dissatisfied</u>	<u>Very dissatisfied</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Total satisfied</u>	<u>Total dissatisfied</u>
2013 Jan 7-10	12	31	21	30	5	43	51
2012 Jan 5-8	14	36	19	23	8	50	42
2008 Jan 4-6	14	34	23	21	7	48	44
2007 Jan 15-18	17	33	21	22	7	50	43
2006 Jan 9-12	16	32	21	22	9	48	43
2005 Jan 3-5	15	36	21	22	6	51	43
2004 Jan 12-15	14	37	22	23	4	51	45
2003 Jan 13-16	13	34	26	21	6	47	47
2002 Jan 7-9	13	35	24	23	5	48	47
2001 Jan 10-14	10	28	28	29	5	38	57

**I. The acceptance of homosexuality in the nation**

	<u>Very satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat dissatisfied</u>	<u>Very dissatisfied</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Total satisfied</u>	<u>Total dissatisfied</u>
2013 Jan 7-10	8	41	19	26	6	49	45
2012 Jan 5-8	8	33	22	29	8	41	51
2008 Jan 4-6	7	31	23	29	10	38	52
2007 Jan 15-18	7	27	23	35	8	34	58
2006 Jan 9-12	5	27	28	31	9	32	59
2005 Jan 3-5	6	26	23	37	8	32	60
2004 Jan 12-15	4	35	24	32	5	39	56
2003 Jan 13-16	7	30	27	27	9	37	54
2002 Jan 7-9	5	35	23	31	6	40	54
2001 Jan 10-14	5	30	28	29	8	35	57

**J. The availability of affordable health care**

	<u>Very satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat dissatisfied</u>	<u>Very dissatisfied</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Total satisfied</u>	<u>Total dissatisfied</u>
2013 Jan 7-10	10	30	25	33	3	40	58
2012 Jan 5-8	7	24	26	39	4	31	65
2008 Jan 4-6	7	18	25	47	1	25	72
2007 Jan 15-18	8	17	27	46	2	25	73
2006 Jan 9-12	6	20	25	47	2	26	72
2005 Jan 3-5	7	18	27	46	2	25	73
2004 Jan 12-15	6	21	26	45	2	27	71
2003 Jan 13-16	6	19	28	44	3	25	72
2002 Jan 7-9	8	23	27	39	3	31	66
2001 Jan 10-14	6	23	31	37	3	29	68

**Q.11 (SATISFACTION WITH STATE OF NATION) CONTINUED****K. The level of immigration into the country today**

	<u>Very satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat dissatisfied</u>	<u>Very dissatisfied</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Total satisfied</u>	<u>Total dissatisfied</u>
2013 Jan 7-10	5	31	25	31	8	36	56
2012 Jan 5-8	4	24	25	39	8	28	64
2008 Jan 4-6	4	19	27	45	5	23	72
2007 Jan 15-18	5	19	29	41	6	24	70
2006 Jan 9-12	3	24	24	41	8	27	65
2005 Jan 3-5	4	26	26	36	8	30	62
2004 Jan 12-15	4	27	29	34	6	31	63
2003 Jan 13-16	3	24	31	34	8	27	65
2002 Jan 7-9	3	26	34	32	5	29	66
2001 Jan 10-14	6	26	28	27	13	32	55

**L. The nation's military strength and preparedness**

	<u>Very satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat dissatisfied</u>	<u>Very dissatisfied</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Total satisfied</u>	<u>Total dissatisfied</u>
2013 Jan 7-10	34	40	12	9	4	74	21
2012 Jan 5-8	35	36	14	9	6	71	23
2008 Jan 4-6	30	36	19	11	4	66	30
2007 Jan 15-18	27	35	21	11	6	62	32
2006 Jan 9-12	32	35	16	12	5	67	28
2005 Jan 3-5	28	38	20	11	3	66	31
2004 Jan 12-15	44	37	12	5	2	81	17
2003 Jan 13-16	42	41	10	4	3	83	14
2002 Jan 7-9	43	36	13	6	2	79	19
2001 Jan 10-14	24	37	19	13	7	61	32

**M. The nation's efforts to deal with poverty and homelessness**

	<u>Very satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat dissatisfied</u>	<u>Very dissatisfied</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Total satisfied</u>	<u>Total dissatisfied</u>
2013 Jan 7-10	6	19	37	33	5	25	70
2012 Jan 5-8	4	21	30	40	5	25	70
2008 Jan 4-6	5	21	31	38	3	26	69
2007 Jan 15-18	5	22	30	40	3	27	70
2006 Jan 9-12	4	22	30	40	3	26	70
2005 Jan 3-5	6	22	34	35	3	28	69
2004 Jan 12-15	4	23	34	37	2	27	71
2003 Jan 13-16	3	27	33	33	4	30	66
2002 Jan 7-9	6	26	33	32	3	32	65
2001 Jan 10-14	4	26	38	28	4	30	66

**Q.11 (SATISFACTION WITH STATE OF NATION) CONTINUED****N. The state of race relations**

	<u>Very satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat dissatisfied</u>	<u>Very dissatisfied</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Total satisfied</u>	<u>Total dissatisfied</u>
2013 Jan 7-10	11	39	27	14	9	50	41
2012 Jan 5-8	10	41	26	14	9	51	40
2008 Jan 4-6	8	43	28	12	9	51	40
2007 Jan 15-18	10	40	29	13	8	50	42
2006 Jan 9-12	10	42	27	13	7	52	40
2005 Jan 3-5	9	44	24	13	10	53	37
2004 Jan 12-15	9	45	30	10	6	54	40
2003 Jan 13-16	8	41	30	14	7	49	44
2002 Jan 7-9	8	45	28	13	6	53	41
2001 Jan 10-14	5	39	34	14	8	44	48

**O. The amount Americans pay in federal taxes**

	<u>Very satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat dissatisfied</u>	<u>Very dissatisfied</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Total satisfied</u>	<u>Total dissatisfied</u>
2013 Jan 7-10	6	30	27	33	4	36	60
2012 Jan 5-8	5	28	28	33	5	33	61
2008 Jan 4-6	5	29	32	30	4	34	62
2007 Jan 15-18	7	33	28	29	3	40	57
2006 Jan 9-12	6	32	30	31	2	38	61
2005 Jan 3-5	6	32	31	29	2	38	60
2004 Jan 12-15	4	30	34	30	2	34	64
2003 Jan 13-16	5	28	31	32	4	33	63
2002 Jan 7-9	6	32	32	28	2	38	60
2001 Jan 10-14	4	22	35	36	3	26	71

**P. The Social Security and Medicare systems**

	<u>Very satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat dissatisfied</u>	<u>Very dissatisfied</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Total satisfied</u>	<u>Total dissatisfied</u>
2013 Jan 7-10	14	29	21	29	7	43	50
2012 Jan 5-8	9	25	28	32	7	34	60
2008 Jan 4-6	8	23	29	35	5	31	64
2007 Jan 15-18	9	23	34	29	5	32	63
2006 Jan 9-12	8	27	24	34	6	35	58
2005 Jan 3-5	8	23	29	36	4	31	65
2004 Jan 12-15	7	24	36	29	4	31	65
2003 Jan 13-16	8	27	31	29	5	35	60
2002 Jan 7-9	9	32	29	26	4	41	55
2001 Jan 10-14	6	32	32	25	5	38	57

**Q.11 (SATISFACTION WITH STATE OF NATION) CONTINUED****Q. The nation's security from terrorism**

	<u>Very satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat dissatisfied</u>	<u>Very dissatisfied</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<i><u>Total satisfied</u></i>	<i><u>Total dissatisfied</u></i>
2013 Jan 7-10	22	45	16	13	4	67	29
2012 Jan 5-8	23	49	14	10	5	72	24
2008 Jan 4-6	14	44	20	17	4	58	37
2007 Jan 15-18	13	40	26	18	3	53	44
2006 Jan 9-12	16	42	23	16	3	58	39
2005 Jan 3-5	14	44	22	17	3	58	39
2004 Jan 12-15	19	51	16	13	1	70	29
2003 Jan 13-16	11	43	26	17	3	54	43
2002 Jan 7-9	10	41	27	20	2	51	47