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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted March 7-10, 2013 with a random sample of -1,022—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.

For results based on the sample of -493—national adults in Form A and -529—national adults in Form B, the margins of sampling error are ± 6 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.

33. Looking back, do you think the United States made a mistake sending troops to fight in—[ITEM A READ FIRST, ITEMS B-C ROTATED]

A. Iraq in 2003

	<u>Yes, a mistake</u>	<u>No, not a mistake</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2013 Mar 7-10	53	42	5

For comparison: *In view of the developments since we first sent our troops to Iraq, do you think the United States made a mistake in sending troops to Iraq, or not?*

	<u>Yes, a mistake</u>	<u>No, Not</u>	<u>No opinion</u>		<u>Yes, a mistake</u>	<u>No, not</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2010 Aug 5-8	55	41	3	2006 Feb 9-12 ^	55	42	3
2010 Jul 8-11 ^	54	44	2	2006 Jan 20-22	51	46	3
2009 Jul 10-12 ^	58	39	3	2006 Jan 6-8 ^	50	47	3
2009 Mar 14-15 ^†	53	42	5	2005 Dec 16-18	52	46	2
2009 Jan 9-11	56	43	2	2005 Nov 11-13 ^	54	45	1
2008 Oct 31-Nov 2 ^†	58	39	2	2005 Oct 28-30	54	45	1
2008 Sep 5-7 ^	58	41	1	2005 Oct 21-23	49	49	2
2008 Aug 21-23 ^	60	38	2	2005 Sep 16-18	59	39	2
2008 July 25-27	56	40	4	2005 Sep 8-11	53	46	1
2008 Jun 15-19	60	37	3	2005 Aug 28-30	53	46	1
2008 Apr 18-20	63	36	1	2005 Aug 5-7 ^	54	44	2
2008 Feb 21-24	59	39	2	2005 Jul 22-24	46	53	1
2008 Feb 8-10	60	38	2	2005 Jun 24-26	53	46	1
2008 Jan 30-Feb 2	57	41	2	2005 Apr 29-May 1 ^	49	48	3
2007 Nov 30-Dec 2	57	41	2	2005 Mar 18-20 ^	46	51	3
2007 Nov 2-4	58	39	3	2005 Feb 25-27	47	51	2
2007 Oct 12-14	60	37	2	2005 Feb 4-6	45	55	*
2007 Sep 14-16	58	41	1	2005 Jan 14-16	52	47	1
2007 Sep 7-8	54	44	2	2005 Jan 7-9	50	48	2
2007 Aug 3-5	57	42	2	2004 Nov 19-21	47	51	2
2007 Jul 6-8	62	36	2	2004 Oct 29-31 ^	44	52	4
2007 Jun 1-3	56	40	4	2004 Oct 22-24	47	51	2
2007 May 4-6	58	40	2	2004 Oct 14-16	47	52	1
2007 Apr 13-15	57	41	2	2004 Oct 9-10 ^	46	53	1
2007 Mar 23-25	56	43	2	2004 Oct 1-3	48	51	1
2007 Mar 2-4	59	39	2	2004 Sep 24-26	42	55	3
2007 Feb 9-11	56	42	2	2004 Sep 3-5 ^	38	57	5
2007 Jan 12-14	58	41	2	2004 Aug 23-25 ^	48	50	2
2007 Jan 5-7	57	41	2	2004 Jul 30-Aug 1	47	51	2
2006 Dec 8-10 ^	53	45	2	2004 Jul 19-21	50	47	3
2006 Nov 2-5	55	40	5	2004 Jul 8-11 ^	54	45	1
2006 Oct 20-22	58	40	2	2004 Jun 21-23 ^	54	44	2
2006 Oct 6-8	56	40	4	2004 Jun 3-6 ^	41	58	1
2006 Sep 15-17	49	49	2	2004 May 7-9 ^	44	54	2
2006 Jul 28-30	54	45	2	2004 Apr 16-18 ^	42	57	1
2006 Jul 21-23	56	41	2	2004 Jan 12-15 ^	42	56	2
2006 Jun 23-25	55	43	1	2003 Nov 3-5 ^	39	60	1
2006 Jun 9-11	51	46	2	2003 Oct 6-8 ^	40	59	1
2006 Apr 7-9	57	42	1	2003 Jul 7-9 ^	27	72	1
2006 Mar 10-12 ^	57	42	1	2003 Mar 24-25 ^	23	75	2
2006 Feb 28-Mar 1	55	43	2				

^ Asked of a half sample

† USA Today/Gallup Poll asked on Gallup Daily tracking survey

Q.33 (MISTAKE TO SEND TROOPS) CONTINUED

B. Afghanistan in 2001

	<u>Yes, a mistake</u>	<u>No, not a mistake</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2013 Mar 7-10	44	51	5

For comparison: *Thinking now about U.S. military action in Afghanistan that began in October 2001, do you think the United States made a mistake in sending military forces to Afghanistan, or not?*

	<u>Yes, a mistake</u>	<u>No, not</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2011 May 5-8	39	58	3
2011 Mar 25-27	42	53	5
2010 Nov 19-21	39	58	3
2010 Jul 27-Aug 1	43	52	4
2010 Jul 8-11 ^	38	58	4
2009 Nov 20-22	36	60	3
2009 Aug 31-Sep 2	37	61	2
2009 Jul 10-12 ^	36	61	3
2009 Jan 30-Feb 1	30	66	4
2008 Aug 21-23 ^	34	63	3
2008 Jul 25-27	28	68	4
2007 Aug 3-5	25	70	5
2004 Jul 19-21	25	72	3
2002 Jan 7-9	6	93	1
2001 Nov 8-11	9	89	2

^ Asked of a half sample

Q.33 (MISTAKE TO SEND TROOPS) CONTINUED

C. Vietnam in the 1960s

	<u>Yes, a mistake</u>	<u>No, not a mistake</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2013 Mar 7-10	57	34	9
2000 Nov 13-15	69	24	7
1995 Apr 21-24	71	23	6
1993 Jan 24-26	68	29	3
1990 Mar 15-18	74	22	4
1985 Mar 25-31 [^]	63	27	10

For comparison: *In view of the developments since we entered the fighting in Vietnam, do you think the U.S. made a mistake sending troops to fight in Vietnam?*

	<u>Yes a mistake</u>	<u>No, not a mistake</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
1973 Jan 12-15 †	60	29	11
1971 May 14-17 †	61	28	11
1971 Jan 8-11 †	59	31	10
1970 May 21-26 †	56	36	8
1970 Apr 2-7 †	51	34	15
1970 Jan 15-20 †	57	33	10
1969 Sep 17-22 †	58	32	10
1969 Jan 23-28 †	52	39	9
1968 Sep 26-Oct 1 †	54	37	9
1968 Aug 7-12 †	53	35	12
1968 Apr 4-9 †	48	40	12
1968 Feb 22-27 †	49	41	10
1968 Feb 1-6 †	46	42	12
1967 Dec 7-12 †	45	46	9
1967 Oct 6-11 †	46	44	10
1967 Jul 13-18 †	41	48	11
1967 Apr 19-24 †	37	50	13
1967 Jan 26-31 †	32	52	16
1966 Nov 10-15 †	31	51	18
1966 Sep 8-13 †	35	48	17
1966 May 5-10 †	36	49	15
1966 Mar 3-8 †	25	59	16
1965 Aug 27-Sep 1	24	61	15

[^] Gallup/Newsweek Poll

[†] WORDING DURING VIETNAM WAR: In view of the developments since we entered the fighting in Vietnam, do you think the U.S. made a mistake sending troops to fight in Vietnam?