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## GALLUP POLL SOCIAL SERIES: MINORITY RIGHTS & RELATIONS UPDATE

-- FINAL TOPLINE --

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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted August 9-22, 2013 with –1,001-- non-Hispanic blacks, aged 18+, living in all 50 U.S. states and the District of Columbia. All respondents had previously been interviewed in the Gallup Daily tracking survey.

For results based on this sample of blacks, 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.

Respondents were weighted in the initial sample 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 and cell phone mostly). 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.

The obtained re-contact sample of blacks is then weighted to match national demographics for blacks 18+ on age, gender, education and census region.

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.

7. 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?

	Major role	Minor role	No role at all	No opinion
<u>Blacks</u>				
2013 Aug 9-22	63	27	9	1
2013 Jun 13-Jul 5	54	36	10	1
2011 Aug 4-7	59	32	8	1
2005 Jun 6-25	71	21	6	2
2004 Jun 9-30	68	22	9	1

26. 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?

_	Greatly improved	Somewhat improved	Stayed the same	Somewhat worsened	Greatly worsened	No opinion
Blacks						
2013 Aug 9-22	25	55	11	7	2	*
2013 Jun 13-Jul 5	29	52	11	6	1	1
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

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

	Yes, needed	No, not needed	No opinion
<u>Blacks</u>			
2013 Aug 9-22	61	38	1
2013 Jun 13-Jul 5	53	45	2
2011 Aug 4-7	52	48	1
2003 Jun 12-18	52	41	7
1993 Aug 23-25	70	26	4