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SATISFACTION WITH LIFE ASPECTS

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1. Please tell me whether you are generally satisfied or dissatisfied with each of the following. [RANDOM ORDER].

<i>2013 Sep 21-24</i> <i>Sorted by "satisfied"</i>	Satisfied	Dissatisfied
Your family life	92	7
Your safety from physical harm or violence	87	13
Your housing situation	86	14
The availability of convenient transportation when needed	85	14
Your health today	81	18
The opportunities you have had to succeed in life	81	18
Your standard of living	80	20
Your level of education	78	21
Your job or the work you do	75	19
The amount of leisure time you have	69	29
The future facing you and your family	63	34
Your family or household income	62	37
Your financial net worth or amount of savings	46	52

Q.1 (SATISFIED WITH LIFE ASPECTS) CONTINUED

TREND RESULTS

A. Your family life

	<u>Satisfied</u>	<u>Dissatisfied</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2013 Sep 21-24	92	7	1
2011 Nov 28-Dec 1	90	9	1
1998 Apr 23-May 31	91	9	*
1988 Sep 25-Oct 1	94	6	1
1988 Sep 9-11	94	5	1
1984 Dec 7-10	90	8	2

B. Your housing situation

	<u>Satisfied</u>	<u>Dissatisfied</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2013 Sep 21-24	86	14	*
2011 Nov 28-Dec 1	81	18	*
1998 Apr 23-May 31	86	14	1
1997 Jan 4-Feb 28	88	12	-
1988 Sep 25-Oct 1 ^	87	13	-
1988 Sep 9-11 ^	87	13	*
1984 Dec 7-10 ^	82	17	1
1973 Sep 21-24	74	23	3
1971 Dec 10-13	74	23	2
1971 Aug 19-24	75	23	2
1969 Apr 10-15	78	20	2
1969 Mar 27-Apr 1	76	22	2
1966 Oct 1-6	79	20	2
1966 Sep 8-13	78	18	4
1965 Aug 5-10	72	26	2
1963 Jul 18-23	72	26	3

^ WORDING: Your present housing

C. Your health today

	<u>Satisfied</u>	<u>Dissatisfied</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2013 Sep 21-24	81	18	1
1998 Apr 23-May 31	86	14	*
1988 Sep 25-Oct 1	88	12	*
1988 Sep 9-11	88	11	1
1984 Dec 7-10	86	13	1

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D. The availability of convenient transportation when needed

	<u>Satisfied</u>	<u>Dissatisfied</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2013 Sep 21-24	85	14	1
1998 Apr 23-May 31	85	14	1

E. The opportunities you have had to succeed in life

	<u>Satisfied</u>	<u>Dissatisfied</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2013 Sep 21-24	81	18	1
2011 Nov 28-Dec 1	81	18	1
1998 Apr 23-May 31	84	15	1

F. Your standard of living

	<u>Satisfied</u>	<u>Dissatisfied</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2013 Sep 21-24	80	20	*
1998 Apr 23-May 31	78	22	*
1997 Jan 4-Feb 28	85	15	*
1988 Sep 25-Oct 1	85	15	*
1988 Sep 9-11	85	14	1
1984 Dec 7-10	76	23	1

G. Your safety from physical harm or violence

	<u>Satisfied</u>	<u>Dissatisfied</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2013 Sep 21-24	87	13	1
1998 Apr 23-May 31	78	21	1

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H. The future facing you and your family

	<u>Satisfied</u>	<u>Dissatisfied</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2013 Sep 21-24	63	34	3
2011 Nov 28-Dec 1	65	33	2
1998 Apr 23-May 31	76	20	4
1991 Dec 5-8	71	25	4
1991 Feb 21-24	80	16	4
1977 Jul 8-11	64	30	6
1977 Jan 7-10	64	31	5
1973 Sep 21-24	53	34	13
1971 Dec 10-13	58	30	11
1971 Aug 19-24	55	31	13
1968 Feb 22-27	55	40	5
1966 Oct 1-6	63	23	15
1963 Jul 18-23	64	25	11

I. Your job or the work you do

	<u>Satisfied</u>	<u>Dissatisfied</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2013 Sep 21-24	75	19	6
1998 Apr 23-May 31	75	16	9
1991 Dec 5-8	71	16	13
1988 Sep 25-Oct 1	76	24	n/a
1988 Sep 9-11	76	8	16
1984 Dec 7-10	70	20	10

J. Your level of education

	<u>Satisfied</u>	<u>Dissatisfied</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2013 Sep 21-24	78	21	1
1998 Apr 23-May 31	74	26	*

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K. Your family or household income

	<u>Satisfied</u>	<u>Dissatisfied</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2013 Sep 21-24	62	37	1
2011 Nov 28-Dec 1	64	35	1
1998 Apr 23-May 31	70	29	1
1997 Jan 4-Feb 28	69	30	-
1991 Dec 5-8	65	33	2
1991 Sep 25-Oct 1	69	31	-
1988 Sep 25-Oct 1 ^	69	31	-
1988 Sep 9-11 ^	69	30	1
1984 Dec 7-10 †	58	40	3
1973 Sep 21-24†	61	37	3
1971 Aug 19-24†	63	35	2
1969 Apr 10-15†	66	32	2
1969 Mar 27-Apr 1†	64	34	2
1966 Oct 1-6 †	65	31	4
1966 Sep 8-13†	66	31	3
1965 Aug 5-10 †	65	32	3
1963 Jul 18-23 †	64	34	2

^ WORDING: Your household income

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L. The amount of leisure time you have

	<u>Satisfied</u>	<u>Dissatisfied</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2013 Sep 21-24	69	29	1
1998 Apr 23-May 31	64	36	*
1963 Jul 18-23	76	22	1

M. Your financial net worth or savings

	<u>Satisfied</u>	<u>Dissatisfied</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2013 Sep 21-14	46	52	1
2011 Nov 28-Dec 1	50	49	1
1998 Apr 23-May 31	56	43	1

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ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY

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Each question was asked of a randomly selected quarter sample of approximately 1,000 respondents.

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1. In America, each generation has tried to have a better life than their parents, with a better living standard, better homes, a better education, and so on. How likely do you think it is that today's youth will have a better life than their parents--very likely, somewhat likely, somewhat unlikely, or very unlikely?

BASED ON --1,000-- NATIONAL ADULTS; ±4 PCT PTS

	<u>Very likely</u>	<u>Somewhat likely</u>	<u>Somewhat unlikely</u>	<u>Very unlikely</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2013 Sep 25-Oct 2	16	35	26	22	1
2012 Dec 14-17	13	36	25	25	1
2011 Apr 20-23	13	31	28	27	1
2010 Oct 21-24	14	37	26	22	1
2010 Jan 8-10	17	45	26	12	*
2009 Mar 2-3 ^	19	40	25	15	1
2008 Dec 12-14	19	37	27	15	1
2008 Jan 30-Feb 2	25	41	21	12	1

^ USA Today/Gallup poll asked on Gallup Daily tracking survey

For comparison: Other polling organizations

	<u>Very likely</u>	<u>Somewhat likely</u>	<u>Somewhat unlikely</u>	<u>Very unlikely</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2003 Jan 19-22 ^	24	42	21	10	3
2001 Dec 7-10 ^	26	45	19	8	3
1999 Jul 17-19 †	29	42	18	8	3
1998 Jan 24-25 ^	18	47	26	8	1
1996 Dec 8-11 †	14	37	30	17	2
1996 Oct 30-Nov 2 ^	15	41	27	15	2
1996 Oct 10-13 ^	11	40	32	14	3
1996 Sep 2-4 ^	16	42	27	13	2
1995 Dec 3-6 †	11	38	32	17	2
1983 Jan 8-22 ‡	19	35	27	17	3

^ CBS News/*New York Times* Poll

† *New York Times* Poll

‡ Roper Organization Poll

2. Some people say there's not much opportunity in America today - that the average person doesn't have much chance to really get ahead. Others say there's plenty of opportunity and anyone who works hard can go as far as they want. Which one comes closer to the way you feel about this?

BASED ON --998-- NATIONAL ADULTS; ±4 PCT PTS

	<u>Not much opportunity</u>	<u>Plenty of opportunity</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2013 Sep 25-Oct 2	43	52	6
2011 Nov 28-Dec 1	41	57	2
1998 Apr 23-May 31	17	81	2
1952 ^	8	87	5

^ University of Michigan National Election Survey

3. Do you think the economic system in the United States is basically fair, since all Americans have an equal opportunity to succeed, or basically unfair, since all Americans do not have an equal opportunity to succeed?

BASED ON --1,040-- NATIONAL ADULTS; ±4 PCT PTS

	<u>Basically fair</u>	<u>Basically unfair</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2013 Sep 25-Oct 2	50	44	5
1998 Apr 23-May 31	68	29	3

4. Is there more opportunity in America today for the average person to really get ahead than there used to be, less opportunity for the average person to really get ahead, or is the amount of opportunity about the same?

BASED ON --1,055-- NATIONAL ADULTS; ±4 PCT PTS

	<u>More opportunity</u>	<u>Less opportunity</u>	<u>About the same</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2013 Sep 25-Oct 2	12	58	28	2
2000 Sep 11-13	54	15	30	1
1998 Apr 28-May 31	43	20	36	1