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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted February 6-9, 2014 with a random sample of **-1,023-** adults, aged 18+, living in all 50 U.S. states and the District of Columbia. For results based on this sample of national adults, the margin of sampling error is  $\pm 4$  percentage points at the 95% confidence level.

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 and cell phone telephone 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 and cell phone mostly). Demographic weighting targets are based on the March 2013 Current Population Survey figures for the aged 18 and older U.S. population. Phone status targets are based on the January-June 2013 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.

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21. Next, I am going to read you a list of possible threats to the vital interests of the United States in the next 10 years. For each one, please tell me if you see this as a critical threat, an important but not critical threat, or not an important threat at all. [RANDOM ORDER]

<i>2014 Feb 6-9</i> <i>(sorted by "critical threat")</i>	Critical threat	Important, not critical
	%	%
International terrorism	77	19
Development of nuclear weapons by Iran	76	18
Islamic fundamentalism	57	27
The conflict between North Korea and South Korea	53	36
The economic power of China	52	36
The military power of China	46	41
The conflict between Israel and the Palestinians	46	42
The military power of Russia	32	49
The conflict between India and Pakistan	28	48

**TREND RESULTS:**

**A. The military power of China**

	<u>Critical</u>	<u>Important</u>	<u>Not important</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2014 Feb 6-9	46	41	11	2
2013 Feb 7-10	51	39	9	2
2010 Feb 1-3	46	43	9	3
2004 Feb 9-12	39	46	11	4

**B. The military power of Russia**

	<u>Critical</u>	<u>Important</u>	<u>Not important</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2014 Feb 6-9	32	49	17	2
2013 Feb 7-10	29	53	17	1
2010 Feb 1-3	23	52	22	3
2004 Feb 9-12	18	50	29	3

**C. International terrorism**

	<u>Critical</u>	<u>Important</u>	<u>Not important</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2014 Feb 6-9	77	19	2	1
2013 Feb 7-10	81	17	2	1
2010 Feb 1-3	81	16	2	1
2004 Feb 9-12	82	16	2	*

## Q.21 (THREATS TO U.S. VITAL INTERESTS) CONTINUED

### D. The conflict between Israel and the Palestinians

	<u>Critical</u>	<u>Important</u>	<u>Not important</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2014 Feb 6-9	46	42	9	3
2013 Feb 7-10	44	44	9	3
2010 Feb 1-3	47	41	10	2
2004 Feb 9-12	58	32	8	2

### E. The conflict between India and Pakistan

	<u>Critical</u>	<u>Important</u>	<u>Not important</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2014 Feb 6-9	28	48	18	6
2013 Feb 7-10	25	55	15	6
2010 Feb 1-3	32	49	15	4
2004 Feb 9-12	32	52	11	5

### F. Islamic fundamentalism

	<u>Critical</u>	<u>Important</u>	<u>Not important</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2014 Feb 6-9	57	27	9	7
2013 Feb 7-10	53	28	12	6
2004 Feb 9-12	51	31	12	6

### G. The economic power of China

	<u>Critical</u>	<u>Important</u>	<u>Not important</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2014 Feb 6-9	52	36	10	2
2013 Feb 7-10	52	39	8	1

### H. Development of nuclear weapons by Iran

	<u>Critical</u>	<u>Important</u>	<u>Not important</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2014 Feb 6-9	76	18	4	2
2013 Feb 7-10	83	16	1	*

### I. The conflict between North Korea and South Korea

	<u>Critical</u>	<u>Important</u>	<u>Not important</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2014 Feb 6-9	53	36	8	3