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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted March 6-9, 2014 with a random sample of **-1,048—**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 **±4** percentage points at the 95% confidence level.

For results based on the sample of **-535—**national adults in Form A and **-513—**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 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.

15. Next, I am going to read some specific proposals. For each one, please say whether you generally favor or oppose it. How about ... [RANDOM ORDER]?

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(sorted by "favor")

	Favor	Oppose
Spending more government money on developing solar and wind power	67	32
Spending government money to develop alternate sources of fuel for automobiles	66	33
Setting higher emissions and pollution standards for business and industry	65	35
More strongly enforcing federal environmental regulations	64	34
Imposing mandatory controls on carbon dioxide emissions/other greenhouse gases	63	35
Setting higher auto emissions standards for automobiles	62	35
Opening up land owned by the federal government for oil exploration	58	41
Setting stricter standards on the use of techniques to extract natural gas from the earth, including "fracking"	58	37
Expanding the use of nuclear energy	47	51

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Q.15 (ENVIRONMENTAL AND ENERGY PROPOSALS) CONTINUED

FULL TRENDS: ENVIRONMENTAL PROPOSALS

NOTE: 2001-2007 WORDING: Next, I am going to read some specific environmental proposals. For each one, please say whether you generally favor or oppose it. How about...[RANDOM ORDER]?

A. Expanding the use of nuclear energy

	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2014 Mar 6-9	47	51	2
2012 Mar 8-11	52	44	4
2007 Mar 11-14	50	46	4
2006 Mar 13-16	55	40	5
2003 Mar 3-5	43	51	6
2002 Mar 4-7	45	51	4
2001 Mar 5-7	44	51	5

B. Opening up land owned by the federal government for oil exploration

	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2014 Mar 6-9	58	41	1
2012 Mar 8-11	65	34	2

C. More strongly enforcing federal environmental regulations

	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2014 Mar 6-9	64	34	2
2012 Mar 8-11	64	33	2
2007 Mar 11-14	82	15	3
2006 Mar 13-16	79	20	2
2003 Mar 3-5	75	21	4
2002 Mar 4-7	78	19	3
2001 Mar 5-7	77	20	3

Q.15 (ENVIRONMENTAL AND ENERGY PROPOSALS) CONTINUED

D. Setting higher auto emissions standards for automobiles

	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2014 Mar 6-9	62	35	3
2012 Mar 8-11	62	37	1
2007 Mar 11-14	79	18	2
2006 Mar 13-16	73	25	2
2003 Mar 3-5	73	24	3
2002 Mar 4-7	72	26	2
2001 Mar 5-7	75	23	2

E. Setting higher emissions and pollution standards for business and industry

	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2014 Mar 6-9	65	35	1
2012 Mar 8-11	70	29	1
2007 Mar 11-14	84	15	1
2006 Mar 13-16	77	22	1
2003 Mar 3-5	80	19	1
2002 Mar 4-7	83	16	1
2001 Mar 5-7	81	17	2

F. Imposing mandatory controls on carbon dioxide emissions and other greenhouse gases

	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2014 Mar 6-9	63	35	3
2012 Mar 8-11	65	33	3
2007 Mar 11-14	79	19	2
2006 Mar 13-16	75	23	3
2003 Mar 3-5	75	22	3

G. Spending more government money on developing solar and wind power

	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2014 Mar 6-9	67	32	1
2012 Mar 8-11	69	30	1
2007 Mar 11-14	81	17	1
2006 Mar 13-16	77	21	2
2001 Mar 5-7	79	19	2

Q.15 (ENVIRONMENTAL AND ENERGY PROPOSALS) CONTINUED

H. Spending government money to develop alternate sources of fuel for automobiles

	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2014 Mar 6-9	66	33	1
2012 Mar 8-11	66	33	1
2007 Mar 11-14	86	12	1
2006 Mar 13-16	85	14	1

I. Setting stricter standards on the use of techniques to extract natural gas from the earth, including “fracking”

	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2014 Mar 6-9	58	37	4

17. How serious would you say the energy situation is in the United States--very serious, fairly serious, or not at all serious?

	<u>Very serious</u>	<u>Fairly serious</u>	<u>Not at all serious</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2014 Mar 6-9	32	50	16	2
2013 Mar 7-10	36	51	10	2
2012 Mar 8-11	42	49	7	2
2011 Mar 3-6	45	47	7	2
2010 Mar 4-7	33	54	11	1
2009 Mar 5-8	42	51	5	1
2008 Mar 6-9	46	49	5	1
2007 Mar 11-14	37	55	7	1
2006 Mar 13-16	41	51	7	1
2005 Mar 7-10	31	56	10	3
2004 Mar 8-11	29	57	12	2
2003 Mar 3-5	28	59	11	2
2002 Mar 4-7	22	63	12	3
2001 Jun 28-Jul 1	47	43	8	2
2001 May 7-9	58	36	4	2
2001 Mar 5-7	31	59	9	1
1991 Feb 7-10	40	44	14	2
1990 Sep 27-30	32	46	19	3
1990 Sep 10-11	28	48	21	3
1990 Aug 9-12	28	45	23	4
1979 Aug 3-6	47	35	16	3
1979 Jun 1-4	37	36	24	3
1979 Apr 27-May 4	44	36	16	4
1979 Feb 23-26	43	42	13	2
1978 Mar 31-Apr 3	41	39	15	5
1977 Nov 18-21	40	42	14	4
1977 Sep 30-Oct 3	40	40	16	4
1977 Aug 5-8	38	43	13	6
1977 Jun 3-6	40	42	13	5
1977 Apr 29-May 2	44	40	11	5
1977 Apr 1-4	41	39	16	4

Q.18/19 SPLIT SAMPLED

18. *(Asked of a half sample)* Which of the following approaches to solving the nation’s energy problems do you think the U.S. should follow right now – [ROTATED: emphasize production of more oil, gas and coal supplies (or) emphasize more conservation by consumers of existing energy supplies]?

BASED ON –535—NATIONAL ADULTS IN FORM A

	<u>Emphasize production</u>	<u>Emphasize conservation</u>	<u>Both/ equally (vol.)</u>	<u>Neither/ other (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2014 Mar 6-9 ^	34	57	3	2	4
2013 Mar 7-10 ^	36	51	6	1	6
2012 Mar 8-11 ^	40	51	7	*	2
2011 Mar 3-6 ^	41	48	6	1	3
2010 Mar 4-7	36	52	6	3	2
2008 Mar 6-9	29	61	5	3	2
2007 Mar 11-14	26	64	5	1	3
2006 Mar 13-16	35	55	6	1	2
2005 Mar 7-10	28	61	7	2	2
2004 Mar 8-11	31	59	6	2	2
2003 Mar 3-5	29	60	7	2	2
2002 Mar 4-7	30	60	6	2	2
2001 May 7-9	35	47	14	2	2
2001 Mar 5-7	33	56	8	1	2

^ Asked of a half sample

19. *(Asked of a half sample)* Which of the following approaches to solving the nation’s energy problems do you think the U.S. should follow right now – [ROTATED: emphasize production of more oil, gas and coal supplies (or) emphasize the development of alternative energy such as wind and solar power]?

BASED ON –513—NATIONAL ADULTS IN FORM B

	<u>Emphasize production of oil, gas</u>	<u>Emphasize alternative energy</u>	<u>Both/ equally (vol.)</u>	<u>Neither/ other (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2014 Mar 6-9 ^	32	64	3	1	*
2013 Mar 7-10 ^	31	59	7	1	2
2012 Mar 8-11 ^	34	59	5	1	1
2011 Mar 3-6 ^	26	66	6	1	1

^ Asked of a half sample