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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted April 24-30, 2014 with a random sample of –1,513—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 ± 3 percentage points at the 95% confidence level.

For results based on the sample of –1,336—registered voters, the margin of sampling error is ± 3 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.

11. As you may know, the U.S. Congress consists of two houses-- the House of Representatives and the Senate. Regardless of which party you prefer, do you think it is better for the country -- [ROTATED: to have one political party control both the House of Representatives and the Senate, does it make no difference either way, (or do you think it is better) to have one political party control the House of Representatives and the other control the Senate]?

	<u>Same party</u>	<u>No difference</u>	<u>Different parties</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
<u>Registered Voters</u>				
2014 Apr 24-30	32	24	36	8
<u>National adults</u>				
2014 Apr 24-30	32	27	34	7