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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted September 4-7, 2014 with a random sample of -1,017—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.

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 July-December 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.

28. Of every tax dollar that goes to the <u>federal government in Washington, D.C.</u>, how many cents of each dollar would you say are wasted?

		10 cents or	11-25	26-50	51-75	76 cents or	No		
	None None	<u>less</u>	<u>cents</u>	<u>cents</u>	<u>cents</u>	more	<u>opinion</u>	<u>Mean</u>	<u>Median</u>
2014 Sep 4-7	1	10	10	31	17	18	12	51.2	50
2011 Sep 8-11	1	6	13	33	19	16	12	50.6	50
2009 Aug 31-Sep 2	2	7	12	35	19	16	10	49.7	50
2001 Sep 7-10	1	8	17	37	14	12	12	45.9	50
1986 Mar 4-10	1	10	20	40	6	5	18	38.2	
1984 May 18-21	*	8	18	43	12	11	8	44.3	
1981 Sep 18-21	1	9	18	44	12	13	3	44.9	
1981 Mar	1	8	20	43	10	7	11	41.4	
1981 Jan	1	10	19	44	11	9	7	42.4	
1979 Oct	1	18	17	38	15	7	4	39.8	

29. How many cents of each tax dollar that goes to the government of this state would you say are wasted?

	<u>None</u>	10 cents or <u>less</u>	11-25 cents	26-50 cents	51-75 cents	76 cents or more	No opinion	<u>Mean</u>	<u>Median</u>
2014 Sep 4-7	2	15	17	29	13	13	12	42.2	40
2011 Sep 8-11	2	12	18	33	13	10	12	41.8	40
2009 Aug 31-Sep 2	2	11	17	36	14	9	10	41.9	40
2001 Sep 7-10	1	15	20	35	10	6	12	37.6	30
1981 Sep 18-21	2	15	27	36	8	11	1	38.2	
1981 Jan	2	16	27	37	6	5	7	33.3	
1979 Oct	2	26	26	31	9	4	2	31.3	

30. How many cents of each tax dollar that goes to your <u>local government</u> would you say are wasted?

	None	10 cents or <u>less</u>	11-25 cents	26-50 cents	51-75 cents	76 cents or <u>more</u>	No opinion	<u>Mean</u>	<u>Median</u>
2014 Sep 4-7	4	19	17	27	11	10	12	37.4	30
2011 Sep 8-11 2009 Aug 31-Sep 2	3 4	18 16	20 19	25 32	11 9	10 8	12 11	37.5 36.6	30 30
2001 Sep 7-10 1981 Sep 18-21	3	19 24	20 24	30 31	9	8 11	12	35.9 34.3	30
1981 Jan 1979 Oct	4 5	24 38	27 24	27 22	6 7	4 3	8 1	28.5 25.1	