

**GALLUP NEWS SERVICE**

**GALLUP POLL SOCIAL SERIES: ENVIRONMENT**

-- FINAL TOPLINE --

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**Results are based on telephone interviews conducted March 2-6, 2016 with a random sample of –1,019—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.**

**For results based on the sample of –504—national adults in Form A and –515—national adults in Form B, the margins of sampling error are  $\pm 6$  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 60% cell phone respondents and 40% 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 2015 Current Population Survey figures for the aged 18 and older U.S. population. Phone status targets are based on the January-June 2015 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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32. Finally, as you may know, scientists recently reported that 2015 was the Earth's warmest year on record. Had you heard about these reports before now, or not?

	<u>Yes, have heard</u>	<u>No, have not heard</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
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33. Just your best guess, do you generally believe these reports are accurate or not accurate?

	<u>Accurate</u>	<u>Not accurate</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
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34. Assuming these reports are accurate, do you think the record temperatures in 2015 were mainly due to — [ROTATED: human-caused climate change (or to) natural changes in the Earth's temperatures]?

	<u>Climate change</u>	<u>Natural changes</u>	<u>Reports are not accurate (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
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