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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted April 6-10, 2016 with a random sample of **–1,015—**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 **–525--** adults employed full- or part-time, the margin of sampling error is **±5** percentage points.

For results based on the sample of **–617--** stock owners, the margin of sampling error is **±5** percentage points.

For results based on the sample of **–337--** retirees, the margin of sampling error is **±7** percentage points.

For results based on the sample of **–678--** non-retirees, the margin of sampling error is **±5** percentage points.

For results based on the sample of **–687--** homeowners, the margin of sampling error is **±5** 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 has the next 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.

24. Do you consider the amount of federal income tax you have to pay as too high, about right, or too low?

	<u>Too high</u>	<u>About right</u>	<u>Too low</u>	<u>No opinion</u>		<u>Too high</u>	<u>About right</u>	<u>Too low</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2016 Apr 6-10	57	37	3	3	1997 Mar 24-26	58	38	1	3
					1996 Apr 9-10	64	33	1	2
2015 Apr 9-12	51	42	3	4	1994 Dec 16-18	66	30	1	3
2014 Apr 3-6	52	42	3	4	1994 Apr 16-18	56	42	*	2
2013 Apr 4-7	50	45	2	3	1993 Mar 29-31	55	41	2	2
2012 Apr 9-12	46	47	3	4	1992 Mar 26-29	56	39	2	3
2011 Apr 7-11	50	43	4	3	1991 Mar 28-30	55	37	2	6
2010 Apr 8-11	48	45	3	4	1990 Mar 8-11	63	31	2	4
2009 Apr 6-9	46	48	3	2	1985 Jun 7-10	63	32	1	4
2008 Apr 6-9	52	42	2	4	1982 May 14-17	60	32	*	8
2007 Apr 2-5	53	41	2	3	1973 Feb 16-19	65	28	1	6
2006 Apr 10-13	48	44	2	5	1969 Mar 12-17	69	25	*	6
2005 Apr 4-7	51	44	2	3	1967 Mar 9-14	58	38	1	3
2004 Apr 5-8	50	43	3	4	1966 Feb 10-15	52	39	*	8
2003 Apr 7-9	50	46	2	2	1964 Feb 28-Mar 5	56	35	1	9
2003 Jan 10-12 ^	47	50	1	2	1963 Jan 11-16	52	38	1	8
2001 Apr 6-8	65	31	1	3	1962 Jun 28-Jul 3	63	32	1	4
2000 Apr 7-9	63	33	1	3	1962 Feb 8-13	48	45	*	7
1999 Sep 10-14	68	28	1	3	1961 Feb 10-15	46	45	1	8
1999 Jul 16-18	60	37	*	3	1959 Mar 4-9	51	40	2	7
1999 Apr 6-7	65	29	2	4	1957 Apr 6-11	61	31	*	8
1998 Apr 17-19	66	31	1	2	1956 Feb 16-21	55	35	1	9

^ Asked of a half sample.

For comparison: *Earlier trend (asked of taxpayers)*

	<u>Too high</u>	<u>About right</u>	<u>Too low</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
1953 Feb 1-5	59	37	*	4
1952 Feb 9-14	71	26	*	3
1951 Feb 4-9	52	43	1	4
1950 Feb 5-10	57	40	*	3
1949 Mar 19-24	43	53	1	4
1948 Mar 5-10	57	38	1	4
1947 Nov 28-Dec 2	63	32	*	5
1947 Mar 14-17	54	40	*	6

25. Do you regard the income tax which you will have to pay this year as fair?

	<u>Yes, fair</u>	<u>No, not fair</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2016 Apr 6-10	50	47	3
2015 Apr 9-12	56	40	4
2014 Apr 3-6	54	41	5
2013 Apr 4-7	55	42	3
2012 Apr 9-12	59	37	5
2011 Apr 7-11	57	40	3
2010 Apr 8-11	59	36	5
2009 Apr 6-9	61	35	4
2008 Apr 6-9	60	35	5
2007 Apr 2-5	60	37	3
2006 Apr 10-13	60	34	5
2005 Apr 4-7	61	34	5
2004 Apr 5-8	62	33	5
2003 Apr 7-9	64	33	3
2002 Apr 5-7	58	37	5
2001 Apr 6-8	51	46	3
1999 Apr 6-7	45	49	6
1997 Mar 24-26	51	43	6
1946 Nov 15-20	60	34	6
1946 Feb 28-Mar 5	62	38	--
1945 Mar 10-15	85	15	--
1944 Mar 3-8	87	13	--
1944 Feb	90	10	--
1943 Feb 25-Mar 1	85	15	--