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-- FINAL TOPLINE --

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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted June 1-5, 2016 with a random sample of –1,027—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 –503—national adults in Form A, the margin of sampling error is ± 5 percentage points.

For results based on the sample of –524—national adults in Form B, the margins of sampling error is ± 5 percentage points.

For results based on the sample of –884—national adults who watch TV News, the margins of sampling error is ± 4 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.

9. How would you rate the way each of the following is handling its job – as excellent, good, fair, poor, or bad? [RANDOM ORDER]

A. The U.S. Congress in Washington

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Bad</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2016 Jun 1-5†	2	11	32	34	19	1
2015 Jun 15-16 ^	2	13	34	29	20	2

^ Asked on Gallup Daily tracking survey

† Based on combined results from split sample in which half asked to rate “The U.S. Congress in Washington” and half “The U.S. Congress”

10. Now thinking just about the U.S. Congress in Washington, what are some of the reasons you think the U.S. Congress is doing [an excellent / a good / a fair / a poor / a bad] job? [OPEN-ENDED]

2016 Jun 1-5

	<u>Total</u>	<u>Excellent/ Good</u>	<u>Fair/ Poor/Bad</u>
Needs to do more/Accomplish what they promised/Make changes	23	12	25
Party gridlock/Obstruction	22	3	25
Doing a good job (non-specific)	9	37	5
Represent their party more than the people	9	6	9
Too much personal interest	8	--	10
Republicans opposing President Obama	7	4	8
Not doing a good job (non-specific)	7	2	4
Some action being taken but needs to be more	4	2	4
Lobbyists/Special interests have too much influence	3	--	4
They are being bipartisan/are compromising	2	1	3
Spending too much/Increasing the deficit	2	4	2
Corruption	2	--	3
Pay more attention/be more focused	2	1	2
Need term limits	2	1	2
Be more accountable	2	--	2
Lying	1	--	1
Other	2	4	2
No opinion	12	32	9

12. Next, please tell me if you [ROTATED: strongly agree, agree, neither agree nor disagree, disagree, (or) strongly disagree] with each of the following statements about the U.S. Congress.

A. Congress is getting lots of important work accomplished

	<u>Strongly agree</u>	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>Strongly disagree</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Total disagree</u>
2016 Jun 1-5	2	15	10	47	24	1	71

B. Members of Congress should be willing to compromise more

	<u>Strongly agree</u>	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>Strongly disagree</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Total agree</u>
2016 Jun 1-5	39	48	4	7	2	*	87

C. The American public would be better off if Congress did less rather than more

	<u>Strongly agree</u>	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>Strongly disagree</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Total agree</u>
2016 Jun 1-5	11	29	12	35	10	2	40

D. Congress has passed specific pieces of legislation that you strongly object to

	<u>Strongly agree</u>	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>Strongly disagree</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Total agree</u>
2016 Jun 1-5	18	40	15	20	4	3	58

E. Congress has worked hard to address the issues you care most deeply about

	<u>Strongly agree</u>	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>Strongly disagree</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Total disagree</u>
2016 Jun 1-5	2	16	10	48	23	1	71

F. Members of Congress pay too much attention to what their party leaders want them to do

	<u>Strongly agree</u>	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>Strongly disagree</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Total agree</u>
2016 Jun 1-5	25	54	8	9	2	1	79

G. Members of Congress pay too much attention to what their major financial contributors want them to do

	<u>Strongly agree</u>	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>Strongly disagree</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Total agree</u>
2016 Jun 1-5	40	46	5	7	1	1	86

Q.12 (VIEWS OF CONGRESS) CONTINUED

H. Members of Congress pay too much attention to what special interests and lobbyists want them to do

	<u>Strongly agree</u>	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>Strongly disagree</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Total agree</u>
2016 Jun 1-5	40	44	5	8	2	2	84

I. Members of Congress care a lot about what their constituents want them to do

	<u>Strongly agree</u>	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>Strongly disagree</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Total disagree</u>
2016 Jun 1-5	7	32	12	35	13	1	48

J. Members of Congress spend too much time campaigning and raising money

	<u>Strongly agree</u>	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>Strongly disagree</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Total agree</u>
2016 Jun 1-5	32	43	9	14	1	1	75

K. Members of Congress are smart enough for their job

	<u>Strongly agree</u>	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>Strongly disagree</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Total disagree</u>
2016 Jun 1-5	5	41	16	26	9	2	35

L. Members of Congress are mainly out to gain personal glory and success

	<u>Strongly agree</u>	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>Strongly disagree</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Total agree</u>
2016 Jun 1-5	23	44	13	19	1	1	67

M. Members of Congress are mainly out to get rich

	<u>Strongly agree</u>	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>Strongly disagree</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Total agree</u>
2016 Jun 1-5	20	37	15	25	2	1	57

N. Members of Congress are honest

	<u>Strongly agree</u>	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>Strongly disagree</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Total disagree</u>
2016 Jun 1-5	2	17	18	45	18	1	63