

## GALLUP NEWS SERVICE

### GALLUP POLL SOCIAL SERIES: ENVIRONMENT

-- FINAL TOPLINE --

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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted March 1-5, 2017 with a random sample of –1,018—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 –516—national adults in Form A, the margin of sampling error is  $\pm 5$  percentage points.

For results based on the sample of –502—national adults in Form B, the margin of sampling error is  $\pm 5$  percentage points.

For results based on the sample of –536—adults employed full- or part-time, the margin of sampling error is  $\pm 5$  percentage points.

For results based on the sample of –456—Republicans and Republican-leaning independents, the margins of sampling error is  $\pm 6$  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 70% cell phone respondents and 30% landline respondents, with additional minimum quotas by time zone within region. Landline and cell phone telephone numbers are selected using random digit dial methods. Gallup obtained sample for this study from Survey Sampling International. 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 2016 Current Population Survey figures for the aged 18 and older U.S. population. Phone status targets are based on the January-June 2016 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. For questions about how this survey was conducted, please contact [galluphelp@gallup.com](mailto:galluphelp@gallup.com).

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4. What do you think is the most important problem facing this country today? [OPEN-ENDED]

	Mar 1-5, 2017	Feb 1-5, 2017	Jan 4-8, 2017	Dec 7-11, 2016	Nov 9-13, 2016	Oct 5-9, 2016	Sep 7-11, 2016
<i>Recent Trend:</i>							
<b>ECONOMIC PROBLEMS (NET)</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>33</b>
Unemployment/Jobs	9	6	8	9	9	6	11
Economy in general	8	9	11	12	14	17	14
Federal budget deficit/Federal debt	4	2	4	4	3	4	3
Gap between rich and poor	2	1	2	2	2	2	2
Taxes	1	*	1	1	1	1	*
Corporate corruption	1	*	1	*	*	*	*
Foreign trade/Trade deficit	1	*	*	*	*	*	*
Wage issues	1	1	2	1	1	*	1
Lack of money	1	--	3	1	1	1	1
High cost of living/Inflation	*	*	*	*	1	*	*
Fuel/Oil prices	*	*	*	*	*	--	*
<b>NON-ECONOMIC PROBLEMS (NET)</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>70</b>
Dissatisfaction with government/Poor leadership	18	19	11	9	8	12	11
Immigration/Illegal aliens	12	13	4	6	5	7	6
Healthcare	7	5	9	4	10	4	3
Unifying the country	6	10	3	6	6	2	2
Race relations/Racism	6	7	10	12	10	10	7
Education	5	3	4	2	2	2	3
National security	4	5	3	3	3	7	5
Judicial system/Courts/Laws	4	2	2	1	2	1	3
Terrorism	3	5	5	5	2	5	5
Lack of respect for each other	3	2	3	6	5	2	3
Environment/Pollution	3	2	2	3	3	3	1
Ethics/moral/religious/family decline	3	2	4	5	3	3	5
International issues, problems	3	2	1	1	*	2	1
Poverty/Hunger/Homelessness	2	2	2	3	2	2	3
The media	2	1	*	*	*	*	*
Crime/Violence	1	1	3	4	1	3	4
Drugs	1	*	1	1	1	*	1
Welfare	1	*	1	1	1	1	*
Foreign policy/Foreign aid/Focus overseas	1	1	2	2	2	2	1
Wars/War (nonspecific)/Fear of war	*	1	*	*	*	*	*
Lack of military defense	*	*	*	1	1	1	2
Social Security	*	*	*	*	*	1	*
Energy/Lack of energy sources	*	*	*	*	1	*	--
War/conflict between Middle East nations	*	*	*	*	--	*	*
Elections/Election reform	*	*	8	8	11	7	8
Natural disaster response/Relief efforts	*	--	--	--	*	--	--
Children's behavior/Way they are raised	*	*	1	1	*	*	1
Guns/Gun control	*	*	1	1	*	1	1
Situation in Iraq/ISIS	*	*	2	1	1	1	1
Care for the elderly/Medicare	*	*	1	*	*	*	*
Abortion	--	*	*	*	1	*	*
Situation with Russia	--	--	*	*	*	*	--
Gay rights issues	--	--	*	*	--	*	*
Situation with China	--	--	*	--	--	--	*
Overpopulation	--	--	*	*	*	*	*
School shootings	--	--	*	--	--	*	*
Other non-economic	5	6	4	4	3	3	3
No opinion	3	4	3	5	4	4	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>124%</b>	<b>117%</b>	<b>126%</b>	<b>129%</b>	<b>124%</b>	<b>122%</b>	<b>122%</b>