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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 **±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 **±5 percentage points**.

For results based on the sample of **-502—national adults in Form B**, the margin of sampling error is **±5 percentage points**.

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

For results based on the sample of **-456—Republicans and Republican-leaning independents**, the margins of sampling error is **±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.

Next,

13. With which one of these statements about the environment and energy production do you most agree – [ROTATED: protection of the environment should be given priority, even at the risk of limiting the amount of energy supplies -- such as oil, gas and coal -- which the United States produces (or) development of U.S. energy supplies -- such as oil, gas and coal -- should be given priority, even if the environment suffers to some extent]?

	<u>Environ- ment</u>	<u>Develop- ment of U.S. energy supplies</u>	<u>Both/ equally (vol.)</u>	<u>Neither/ other (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2017 Mar 1-5	59	34	2	*	4
2016 Mar 2-6	59	34	2	1	3
2015 Mar 5-8	49	39	4	2	5
2014 Mar 6-9	51	40	4	2	3
2013 Mar 7-10	45	46	3	3	3
2012 Mar 8-11	44	47	3	2	4
2011 Mar 3-6	41	50	4	1	4
2010 May 24-25	55	39	3	1	2
2010 Mar 4-7	43	50	2	2	3
2009 Mar 5-8	47	46	3	1	3
2008 Mar 6-9	50	41	4	2	3
2007 Mar 11-14	58	34	3	2	3
2006 Mar 13-16	49	42	4	2	3
2005 Mar 7-10	52	39	4	2	3
2004 Mar 8-11	48	44	3	1	4
2003 Mar 3-5	49	40	5	2	4
2002 Mar 4-7	52	40	3	2	3
2001 Mar 5-7	52	36	6	2	4

Q.17/18 SPLIT SAMPLED

17. *(Asked of a half sample)* Which of the following approaches to solving the nation’s energy problems do you think the U.S. should follow right now – [ROTATED: emphasize production of more oil, gas and coal supplies (or) emphasize more conservation by consumers of existing energy supplies]?

BASED ON –516—NATIONAL ADULTS IN FORM A

	<u>Emphasize production</u>	<u>Emphasize conservation</u>	<u>Both/ equally (vol.)</u>	<u>Neither/ other (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2017 Mar 1-5 ^	31	61	2	1	5
2016 Mar 2-6 ^	30	60	5	2	3
2014 Mar 6-9 ^	34	57	3	2	4
2013 Mar 7-10 ^	36	51	6	1	6
2012 Mar 8-11 ^	40	51	7	*	2
2011 Mar 3-6 ^	41	48	6	1	3
2010 Mar 4-7	36	52	6	3	2
2008 Mar 6-9	29	61	5	3	2
2007 Mar 11-14	26	64	5	1	3
2006 Mar 13-16	35	55	6	1	2
2005 Mar 7-10	28	61	7	2	2
2004 Mar 8-11	31	59	6	2	2
2003 Mar 3-5	29	60	7	2	2
2002 Mar 4-7	30	60	6	2	2
2001 May 7-9	35	47	14	2	2
2001 Mar 5-7	33	56	8	1	2

^ Asked of a half sample

18. *(Asked of a half sample)* Which of the following approaches to solving the nation’s energy problems do you think the U.S. should follow right now – [ROTATED: emphasize production of more oil, gas and coal supplies (or) emphasize the development of alternative energy such as wind and solar power]?

BASED ON –502—NATIONAL ADULTS IN FORM B

	<u>Emphasize production of oil, gas</u>	<u>Emphasize alternative energy</u>	<u>Both/ equally (vol.)</u>	<u>Neither/ other (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2017 Mar 1-5 ^	23	71	4	1	1
2016 Mar 2-6 ^	21	73	3	1	2
2014 Mar 6-9 ^	32	64	3	1	*
2013 Mar 7-10 ^	31	59	7	1	2
2012 Mar 8-11 ^	34	59	5	1	1
2011 Mar 3-6 ^	26	66	6	1	1

^ Asked of a half sample

On another subject,

25. Do you favor or oppose hydraulic fracturing or “fracking” as a means of increasing the production of natural gas and oil in the U.S.?

	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2017 Mar 1-5	35	53	12
2016 Mar 2-6	36	51	13
2015 Mar 5-8	40	40	19