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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted May 3-7, 2017 with a random sample of –1,011—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 –518—national adults in Form A, the margin of sampling error is ± 5 percentage points.

For results based on the sample of –493—national adults in Form B, the margins of sampling error is ± 5 percentage points.

For results based on the sample of –531-- adults employed full- or part-time, 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 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.

17. Next, I'm going to read you a list of issues. Regardless of whether or not you think it should be legal, for each one, please tell me whether you personally believe that in general it is morally acceptable or morally wrong. How about -- [RANDOM ORDER]?

<i>2017 May 3-7</i> <i>(sorted by "morally acceptable")</i>	Morally acceptable	Morally wrong
Birth control	91	6
Divorce	73	20
Sex between an unmarried man and woman	69	28
Gambling	65	29
Gay or lesbian relations	63	33
Having a baby outside of marriage	62	33
Medical research using stem cells obtained from human embryos	61	33
The death penalty	58	35
Doctor assisted suicide	57	37
Buying and wearing clothing made of animal fur	57	39
Medical testing on animals	51	44
Abortion	43	49
Sex between teenagers	36	59
Pornography	36	61
Cloning animals	32	63
Suicide	18	76
Polygamy, when a married person has more than one spouse at the same time	17	80
Cloning humans	14	83
Married men and women having an affair	9	88

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Q.17 (MORAL ACCEPTABILITY) CONTINUED

FULL TRENDS: MORAL ACCEPTABILITY

A. Abortion

	<u>Morally acceptable</u>	<u>Morally wrong</u>	Depends on situation (vol.)	Not a moral issue (vol.)	<u>No opinion</u>
2017 May 3-7	43	49	7	*	2
2016 May 4-8	43	47	9	*	2
2015 May 6-10	45	45	8	1	1
2014 May 8-11	42	48	8	*	1
2013 May 2-7	42	49	8	*	2
2012 May 3-6	38	51	9	*	2
2011 May 5-8	39	51	7	*	3
2010 May 3-6	38	50	9	*	3
2009 May 7-10	36	56	6	*	1
2008 May 8-11	40	48	10	*	2
2007 May 10-13	40	51	7	*	1
2006 May 8-11	43	44	11	*	2
2005 May 2-5	40	51	8	--	1
2004 May 2-4	40	50	8	*	2
2003 May 5-7	37	53	9	*	1
2002 May 6-9	38	53	8	*	1
2001 May 10-14	42	45	11	1	1

B. The death penalty

	<u>Morally acceptable</u>	<u>Morally wrong</u>	Depends on situation (vol.)	Not a moral issue (vol.)	<u>No opinion</u>
2017 May 3-7	58	35	6	*	2
2016 May 4-8	59	34	6	*	1
2015 May 6-10	60	33	5	*	2
2014 May 8-11	61	30	7	*	3
2013 May 2-7	62	31	5	*	2
2012 May 3-6	58	34	6	*	1
2011 May 5-8	65	28	5	*	2
2010 May 3-6	65	26	7	--	2
2009 May 7-10	62	30	6	*	2
2008 May 8-11	62	30	5	*	3
2007 May 10-13	66	27	5	*	2
2006 May 8-11	71	22	5	*	2
2005 May 2-5	70	25	4	*	1
2004 May 2-4	65	28	4	1	2
2003 May 5-7	64	31	4	--	1
2002 May 6-9	65	28	5	*	2
2001 May 10-14	63	27	7	1	2

Q.17 (MORAL ACCEPTABILITY) CONTINUED

C. Doctor assisted suicide

	<u>Morally acceptable</u>	<u>Morally wrong</u>	<u>Depends on situation (vol.)</u>	<u>Not a moral issue (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2017 May 3-7	57	37	4	*	2
2016 May 4-8	53	41	4	*	3
2015 May 6-10	56	37	4	*	2
2014 May 8-11	52	43	3	*	1
2013 May 2-7	45	49	4	*	1
2012 May 3-6	45	48	4	*	3
2011 May 5-8	45	48	5	*	2
2010 May 3-6	46	46	6	*	2
2008 May 8-11	51	44	3	*	1
2007 May 10-13	49	44	5	--	2
2006 May 8-11	50	41	6	*	2
2005 May 2-5	49	46	4	*	1
2004 May 2-4	53	41	3	1	2
2003 May 5-7	45	49	5	--	1
2002 May 6-9	50	44	4	*	2
2001 May 10-14	49	40	8	*	3

D. Medical testing on animals

	<u>Morally acceptable</u>	<u>Morally wrong</u>	<u>Depends on situation (vol.)</u>	<u>Not a moral issue (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2017 May 3-7	51	44	3	*	2
2016 May 4-8	53	41	4	*	2
2015 May 6-10	56	39	3	*	1
2014 May 8-11	57	38	4	*	2
2013 May 2-7	56	39	3	*	1
2012 May 3-6	55	38	4	1	2
2011 May 5-8	55	38	4	*	3
2010 May 3-6	59	34	4	1	2
2009 May 7-10	57	36	5	*	2
2008 May 8-11	56	38	3	*	3
2007 May 10-13	59	37	3	*	1
2006 May 8-11	61	32	5	*	2
2005 May 2-5	66	30	2	*	2
2004 May 2-4	62	32	4	*	2
2003 May 5-7	63	33	3	*	1
2002 May 6-9	63	30	3	1	3
2001 May 10-14	65	26	5	1	3

Q.17 (MORAL ACCEPTABILITY) CONTINUED

E. Buying and wearing clothing made of animal fur

	<u>Morally acceptable</u>	<u>Morally wrong</u>	<u>Depends on situation (vol.)</u>	<u>Not a moral issue (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2017 May 3-7	57	39	2	1	1
2016 May 4-8	59	37	2	1	2
2015 May 6-10	61	35	2	1	1
2014 May 8-11	58	37	2	1	2
2013 May 2-7	59	36	2	1	2
2012 May 3-6	60	35	2	1	1
2011 May 5-8	56	39	3	1	2
2010 May 3-6	60	35	2	1	2
2009 May 7-10	61	35	1	1	1
2008 May 8-11	54	39	3	1	2
2007 May 10-13	58	38	2	1	2
2006 May 8-11	62	32	2	2	2
2005 May 2-5	64	32	2	1	1
2004 May 2-4	63	31	2	2	2
2003 May 5-7	60	36	2	1	1
2002 May 6-9	59	35	2	2	2
2001 May 10-14	60	32	2	3	3

F. Sex between an unmarried man and woman

	<u>Morally acceptable</u>	<u>Morally wrong</u>	<u>Depends on situation (vol.)</u>	<u>Not a moral issue (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2017 May 3-7	69	28	1	1	2
2016 May 4-8	67	30	1	1	1
2015 May 6-10	68	29	1	1	2
2014 May 8-11	66	31	1	1	1
2013 May 2-7	63	33	1	1	2
2012 May 3-6	59	38	1	1	2
2011 May 5-8	60	36	1	*	3
2010 May 3-6	59	38	1	1	1
2009 May 7-10	57	40	1	*	1
2008 May 8-11	61	36	1	1	1
2007 May 10-13	59	38	1	1	1
2006 May 8-11	59	37	2	1	1
2005 May 2-5	58	39	2	*	1
2004 May 2-4	60	36	1	1	2
2003 May 5-7	58	41	1	*	*
2002 May 6-9	53	42	2	*	3
2001 May 10-14	53	42	3	1	1

Q.17 (MORAL ACCEPTABILITY) CONTINUED

G. Married men and women having an affair

	<u>Morally acceptable</u>	<u>Morally wrong</u>	<u>Depends on situation (vol.)</u>	<u>Not a moral issue (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2017 May 3-7	9	88	1	*	1
2016 May 4-8	10	88	1	*	1
2015 May 6-10	8	89	1	*	1
2014 May 8-11	7	91	1	*	1
2013 May 2-7	6	91	2	*	1
2012 May 3-6	7	89	2	*	2
2011 May 5-8	7	91	1	*	1
2010 May 3-6	6	92	1	*	1
2009 May 7-10	6	92	1	1	1
2008 May 8-11	7	91	1	*	1
2007 May 10-13	6	91	2	*	1
2006 May 8-11	4	93	2	*	1
2005 May 2-5	5	93	1	*	1
2004 May 2-4	7	91	1	*	1
2003 May 5-7	6	93	*	*	1
2002 May 6-9	9	87	1	1	2
2001 May 10-14	7	89	3	*	1

H. Divorce

	<u>Morally acceptable</u>	<u>Morally wrong</u>	<u>Depends on situation (vol.)</u>	<u>Not a moral issue (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2017 May 3-7	73	20	6	1	*
2016 May 4-8	72	19	7	1	1
2015 May 6-10	71	20	7	*	1
2014 May 8-11	69	22	8	1	1
2013 May 2-7	68	24	6	1	1
2012 May 3-6	67	25	7	1	1
2011 May 5-8	69	23	7	*	1
2010 May 3-6	69	23	7	*	1
2009 May 7-10	62	30	6	*	1
2008 May 8-11	70	22	6	*	1
2007 May 10-13	65	26	8	*	1
2006 May 8-11	67	24	8	1	1
2005 May 2-5	66	27	6	*	1
2004 May 2-4	66	26	6	1	1
2003 May 5-7	66	27	6	*	1
2002 May 6-9	63	28	8	*	1
2001 May 10-14	59	28	12	*	1

Q.17 (MORAL ACCEPTABILITY) CONTINUED

I. Cloning animals

	<u>Morally acceptable</u>	<u>Morally wrong</u>	<u>Depends on situation (vol.)</u>	<u>Not a moral issue (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2017 May 3-7	32	63	1	1	2
2016 May 4-8	34	60	2	2	3
2015 May 6-10	34	60	2	1	3
2014 May 8-11	34	60	1	1	3
2013 May 2-7	34	60	1	1	3
2012 May 3-6	34	60	2	1	4
2011 May 5-8	32	62	2	1	3
2010 May 3-6	31	63	1	1	4
2009 May 7-10	34	63	1	1	2
2008 May 8-11	33	61	2	1	3
2007 May 10-13	36	59	2	1	3
2006 May 8-11	29	65	2	1	3
2005 May 2-5	35	61	1	*	3
2004 May 2-4	32	64	1	1	2
2003 May 5-7	29	68	1	*	2
2002 May 6-9	29	66	3	1	1
2001 May 10-14	31	63	2	1	3

J. Cloning humans

	<u>Morally acceptable</u>	<u>Morally wrong</u>	<u>Depends on situation (vol.)</u>	<u>Not a moral issue (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2017 May 3-7	14	83	*	1	2
2016 May 4-8	13	81	2	1	4
2015 May 6-10	15	81	1	1	2
2014 May 8-11	13	83	2	1	2
2013 May 2-7	13	83	1	1	3
2012 May 3-6	10	86	1	*	3
2011 May 5-8	12	84	1	*	3
2010 May 3-6	9	88	*	1	3
2009 May 7-10	9	88	*	*	3
2008 May 8-11	11	85	1	*	2
2007 May 10-13	11	86	1	*	2
2006 May 8-11	8	88	1	*	3
2005 May 2-5	9	87	1	1	2
2004 May 2-4	9	88	1	*	2
2003 May 5-7	8	90	1	*	1
2002 May 6-9	7	90	2	*	1
2001 May 10-14	7	88	1	1	3

Q.17 (MORAL ACCEPTABILITY) CONTINUED**K. Suicide**

	<u>Morally acceptable</u>	<u>Morally wrong</u>	<u>Depends on situation (vol.)</u>	<u>Not a moral issue (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2017 May 3-7	18	76	2	1	2
2016 May 4-8	18	73	5	1	3
2015 May 6-10	19	73	3	1	3
2014 May 8-11	19	74	3	1	2
2013 May 2-7	16	77	3	1	3
2012 May 3-6	14	80	3	1	2
2011 May 5-8	15	80	2	*	2
2010 May 3-6	15	77	3	1	3
2009 May 7-10	15	80	2	1	2
2008 May 8-11	15	78	3	1	3
2007 May 10-13	16	78	3	1	2
2006 May 8-11	15	78	3	1	3
2005 May 2-5	13	82	3	*	2
2004 May 2-4	15	79	3	1	2
2003 May 5-7	14	81	2	1	2
2002 May 6-9	12	83	3	*	2
2001 May 10-14	13	78	6	1	2

L. Medical research using stem cells obtained from human embryos

	<u>Morally acceptable</u>	<u>Morally wrong</u>	<u>Depends on situation (vol.)</u>	<u>Not a moral issue (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2017 May 3-7	61	33	3	*	3
2016 May 4-8	60	32	3	*	5
2015 May 6-10	64	29	3	*	4
2014 May 8-11	65	27	3	*	4
2013 May 2-7	60	32	3	*	5
2012 May 3-6	58	33	3	*	6
2011 May 5-8	62	30	3	*	5
2010 May 3-6	59	32	3	*	6
2009 May 7-10	57	36	2	1	4
2008 May 8-11	62	30	3	*	5
2007 May 10-13	64	30	2	*	4
2006 May 8-11	61	30	3	*	6
2005 May 2-5	60	33	3	--	4
2004 May 2-4	54	37	3	*	6
2003 May 5-7	54	38	3	--	5
2002 May 6-9	52	39	2	1	6

Q.17 (MORAL ACCEPTABILITY) CONTINUED

M. Having a baby outside of marriage

	<u>Morally acceptable</u>	<u>Morally wrong</u>	<u>Depends on situation (vol.)</u>	<u>Not a moral issue (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2017 May 3-7	62	33	3	1	1
2016 May 4-8	62	34	3	1	1
2015 May 6-10	61	35	2	1	1
2014 May 8-11	58	38	2	1	1
2013 May 2-7 ^	60	36	2	1	1
2012 May 3-6	54	42	2	*	1
2011 May 5-8	54	41	2	*	2
2010 May 3-6	54	40	4	*	2
2009 May 7-10	51	45	3	1	1
2008 May 8-11	55	41	2	*	1
2007 May 10-13	54	42	2	1	1
2006 May 8-11	51	43	4	*	1
2005 May 2-5	54	43	2	*	1
2004 May 2-4	49	45	3	1	2
2003 May 5-7	51	46	2	*	1
2002 May 6-9	45	50	3	1	1

^ Asked of a half sample.

N. Gambling

	<u>Morally acceptable</u>	<u>Morally wrong</u>	<u>Depends on situation (vol.)</u>	<u>Not a moral issue (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2017 May 3-7	65	29	2	2	2
2016 May 4-8	67	27	2	2	1
2015 May 6-10	67	27	1	1	2
2014 May 8-11	62	33	3	2	1
2013 May 2-7	64	31	2	1	1
2012 May 3-6	64	31	2	1	2
2011 May 5-8	64	31	2	1	2
2010 May 3-6	61	34	3	1	1
2009 May 7-10	58	36	2	2	2
2008 May 8-11	63	32	2	1	2
2007 May 10-13	63	32	2	1	1
2006 May 8-11	60	34	2	2	1
2005 May 2-5	64	32	2	1	1
2004 May 2-4	66	30	1	2	1
2003 May 5-7	63	34	2	*	1

Q.17 (MORAL ACCEPTABILITY) CONTINUED

O. Polygamy, when a married person has more than one spouse at the same time

	<u>Morally acceptable</u>	<u>Morally wrong</u>	<u>Depends on situation (vol.)</u>	<u>Not a moral issue (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2017 May 3-7	17	80	1	1	1
2016 May 4-8	14	82	1	1	2
2015 May 6-10	16	81	1	1	1
2014 May 8-11	14	84	1	*	1
2013 May 2-7	14	83	1	1	1
2012 May 3-6	11	86	2	*	1
2011 May 5-8	11	86	1	*	1
2010 May 3-6 ^	7	90	1	*	1
2009 May 7-10 ^	7	91	1	1	1
2008 May 8-11 ^	8	90	1	*	1
2007 May 10-13 ^	8	90	1	*	*
2006 May 8-11 ^	5	93	1	*	2
2005 May 2-5 ^	6	92	1	*	1
2004 May 2-4 ^	7	91	1	*	1
2003 May 5-7 ^	7	92	1	--	*

^ WORDING: Polygamy, when one husband has more than one wife at the same time

P. Gay or Lesbian Relations

	<u>Morally acceptable</u>	<u>Morally wrong</u>	<u>Depends on situation (vol.)</u>	<u>Not a moral issue (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2017 May 3-7	63	33	1	1	2
2016 May 4-8	60	37	1	1	2
2015 May 6-10	63	34	1	1	2
2014 May 8-11	58	38	2	1	2
2013 May 2-7	59	38	1	*	2
2012 May 3-6	54	42	1	1	3
2011 May 5-8	56	39	1	1	3
2010 May 3-6	52	43	1	*	4
2009 May 7-10	49	47	1	1	3
2008 May 8-11 †	48	48	1	1	2
2007 May 10-13 †	47	49	2	*	2
2006 May 8-11 †	44	51	1	1	2
2005 May 2-5 ^	45	51	1	--	3
2004 May 2-4 ‡	42	54	1	1	2
2003 May 5-7 ‡	44	52	2	*	2
2002 May 6-9 ‡	38	55	2	1	4
2001 May 10-14 ‡	40	53	3	1	3

^ Asked of a half sample.

† WORDING: Homosexual relations

‡ WORDING: Homosexual behavior

Q.17 (MORAL ACCEPTABILITY) CONTINUED

Q. Pornography

	<u>Morally acceptable</u>	<u>Morally wrong</u>	<u>Depends on situation (vol.)</u>	<u>Not a moral issue (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2017 May 3-7	36	61	2	*	1
2016 May 4-8	34	61	2	1	1
2015 May 6-10	34	62	2	1	2
2014 May 8-11	33	64	2	*	1
2013 May 2-7	31	66	1	1	1
2012 May 3-6	31	64	3	*	2
2011 May 5-8	30	66	1	*	3

R. Birth Control

	<u>Morally acceptable</u>	<u>Morally wrong</u>	<u>Depends on situation (vol.)</u>	<u>Not a moral issue (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2017 May 3-7	91	6	1	1	1
2016 May 4-8	89	6	2	1	2
2015 May 6-10	89	8	1	1	1
2014 May 8-11	90	7	1	*	1
2013 May 2-7	91	6	2	1	2
2012 May 3-6	89	8	2	*	1

S. Sex between Teenagers

	<u>Morally acceptable</u>	<u>Morally wrong</u>	<u>Depends on situation (vol.)</u>	<u>Not a moral issue (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2017 May 3-7	36	59	2	1	2
2016 May 4-8	37	56	4	1	2
2015 May 6-10	37	56	3	1	2
2014 May 8-11	30	64	3	1	2
2013 May 2-7	32	63	2	1	2