

## GALLUP NEWS SERVICE

### AMERICAN DREAM

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Results are based on telephone interviews with a random sample of – 1,503 -- national adults, aged 18+, living in all 50 states and the District of Columbia, conducted March 19-25, 2018.

For results based on the total sample of national adults, the margin of error is  $\pm 3$  percentage points at the 95% confidence level.

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 numbers are selected using random digit dial methods. Gallup obtained this sample 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, cell phone mostly). Demographic weighting targets are based on the March 2017 Current Population Survey figures for the aged 18 and older U.S. population. Phone status targets are based on the January-June 2017 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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1. In America, each generation has tried to have a better life than their parents, with a better living standard, better homes, a better education, and so on. How likely do you think it is that today's youth will have a better life than their parents--very likely, somewhat likely, somewhat unlikely, or very unlikely?

	<u>Very likely</u>	<u>Somewhat likely</u>	<u>Somewhat unlikely</u>	<u>Very unlikely</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2018 Mar 19-25 ^	18	43	22	15	2
2016 Jun 14-23 †	16	38	24	20	1
2013 Sep 25-Oct 2	16	35	26	22	1
2012 Dec 14-17	13	36	25	25	1
2011 Apr 20-23	13	31	28	27	1
2010 Oct 21-24	14	37	26	22	1
2010 Jan 8-10	17	45	26	12	*
2009 Mar 2-3 ^	19	40	25	15	1
2008 Dec 12-14	19	37	27	15	1
2008 Jan 30-Feb 2	25	41	21	12	1

^ Asked on Gallup tracking survey

† Asked of a half sample

**For comparison: Other polling organizations**

	<u>Very likely</u>	<u>Somewhat likely</u>	<u>Somewhat unlikely</u>	<u>Very unlikely</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2003 Jan 19-22 ^	24	42	21	10	3
2001 Dec 7-10 ^	26	45	19	8	3
1999 Jul 17-19 †	29	42	18	8	3
1998 Jan 24-25 ^	18	47	26	8	1
1996 Dec 8-11 †	14	37	30	17	2
1996 Oct 30-Nov 2 ^	15	41	27	15	2
1996 Oct 10-13 ^	11	40	32	14	3
1996 Sep 2-4 ^	16	42	27	13	2
1995 Dec 3-6 †	11	38	32	17	2
1983 Jan 8-22 ‡	19	35	27	17	3

^ CBS News/*New York Times* Poll

† *New York Times* Poll

‡ Roper Organization Poll