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VALUES AND BELIEFS**

-- FINAL TOPLINE --

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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted May 1-10, 2018 with a random sample of –1,024—adults, ages 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 –542—national adults in Form A, the margin of sampling error is ± 5 percentage points.

For results based on the sample of –482—national adults in Form B, the margins 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 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.

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

	May 1-10, 2018	Apr 2-11, 2018	Mar 1-8, 2018	Feb 1-10, 2018	Jan 2-11, 2018	Dec 4-11, 2017	Nov 2-8, 2017
<i>Recent Trend:</i>							
ECONOMIC PROBLEMS (NET)	20	20	14	20	20	17	15
Economy in general	5	5	4	6	4	3	4
Unemployment/Jobs	3	4	2	4	2	3	4
Federal budget deficit/Federal debt	3	3	2	3	3	3	2
Gap between rich and poor	2	2	1	1	3	2	1
Lack of money	2	*	1	1	1	1	1
Taxes	1	1	1	2	2	2	2
High cost of living/Inflation	1	1	*	1	1	1	*
Corporate corruption	1	1	2	1	1	1	1
Foreign trade/Trade deficit	1	2	1	--	*	*	--
Wage issues	1	1	*	1	1	*	*
Fuel/Oil prices	*	--	*	*	1	--	--
NON-ECONOMIC PROBLEMS (NET)	77	76	83	77	80	81	85
Dissatisfaction with government/Poor leadership	20	23	22	22	25	22	23
Immigration/Illegal aliens	10	11	9	15	8	5	6
Race relations/Racism	7	7	7	8	7	8	10
Unifying the country	5	5	5	6	5	8	7
Ethics/moral/religious/family decline	5	3	4	4	2	6	4
Lack of respect for each other	5	2	3	3	3	5	4
Healthcare	4	4	4	7	6	5	9
Guns/Gun control	3	6	13	*	1	1	5
International issues, problems	3	3	2	1	4	1	1
Education	3	3	3	3	3	2	3
Environment/Pollution	2	1	3	3	2	3	2
Drugs	2	1	1	1	3	1	2
Crime/Violence	2	2	3	2	3	2	4
Judicial system/Courts/Laws	2	1	2	1	3	3	2
Wars/War (nonspecific)/Fear of war	2	1	2	1	2	2	2
National security	2	4	3	2	2	2	3
Terrorism	1	*	1	1	2	3	5
Poverty/Hunger/Homelessness	1	1	2	3	4	2	3
The media	1	1	1	1	2	1	2
Welfare	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Situation with North Korea	1	1	2	1	2	5	3
School shootings	1	2	*	--	--	*	--
Elections/Election reform	1	1	*	*	*	*	*
Lack of military defense	1	*	1	1	*	1	1
Situation in Syria	1	--	--	--	*	--	--
Situation in Iraq/ISIS	1	*	*	*	--	*	--
Foreign policy/Foreign aid/Focus overseas	1	--	1	*	*	*	1
Care for the elderly/Medicare	*	*	*	1	*	*	1
Social Security	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Children's behavior/Way they are raised	*	1	1	*	*	*	--
Abortion	*	1	*	1	*	*	*
Situation with Russia	*	1	1	1	*	*	*
Advancement of Computers/Technology	*	*	*	--	1	1	*
War/conflict between Middle East nations	*	*	*	--	--	*	*
Energy/Lack of energy sources	*	*	*	*	--	*	--
Gay rights issues	--	--	*	--	*	1	--
Other non-economic	7	8	8	6	6	8	5
No opinion	3	5	4	4	3	3	4
Total	121%	122%	126%	122%	122%	121%	129%