

## GALLUP NEWS SERVICE

### U.S. VS. OTHER COUNTRIES

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Results are based on telephone interviews with a random sample of – 1,515-- national adults, aged 18+, living in all 50 states and the District of Columbia, conducted August 6-12, 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. Next, we'd like you to think about how the United States compares with all other modern, industrialized nations in the world in several areas. For each of the following, please say if conditions in the United States are the best, above average, average, below average or the worst, relative to all other modern industrialized countries. First, [RANDOM ORDER].

<i>2018 Aug 6-12</i> <i>Sorted by "best/above average"</i>	<b>Best/ Above average</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Worst/ Below average</b>
Individual freedoms	64	26	11
The quality of life	55	32	13
The opportunity for people to get ahead	51	28	21
The economic system	43	39	18
The system of government	40	32	27
The healthcare system	27	27	45

## Q.1 (U.S. COMPARISONS) CONTINUED

### FULL RESULTS:

#### A. The system of government

	<u>The best</u>	<u>Above average</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Below average</u>	<u>Worst</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2018 Aug 6-12	18	22	32	20	7	1
2012 Dec 14-17	17	29	34	17	4	1

#### B. The healthcare system

	<u>The best</u>	<u>Above average</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Below average</u>	<u>Worst</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2018 Aug 6-12	10	17	27	33	12	1
2012 Dec 14-17	10	19	33	32	6	1

#### C. The economic system

	<u>The best</u>	<u>Above average</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Below average</u>	<u>Worst</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2018 Aug 6-12	18	25	39	15	3	1
2012 Dec 14-17	10	24	41	21	3	2

#### D. Individual freedoms

	<u>The best</u>	<u>Above average</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Below average</u>	<u>Worst</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2018 Aug 6-12	31	33	26	9	2	*
2012 Dec 14-17	32	45	16	7	1	*

#### E. The opportunity for people to get ahead

	<u>The best</u>	<u>Above average</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Below average</u>	<u>Worst</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2018 Aug 6-12	24	27	28	18	3	1
2012 Dec 14-17	18	37	29	12	4	1

#### F. The quality of life

	<u>The best</u>	<u>Above average</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Below average</u>	<u>Worst</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2018 Aug 6-12	21	34	32	11	2	*
2012 Dec 14-17	20	45	26	7	1	1