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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted February 1-10, 2019 with a random sample of **-1,016-** 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.

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 2018 Current Population Survey figures for the aged 18 and older U.S. population. Phone status targets are based on the January-June 2018 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]

	Feb 1-10, 2019	Jan 2-10, 2019	Dec 3-12, 2018	Nov 1-11, 2018	Oct 1-10, 2018	Sep 4-12, 2018	Aug 1-12, 2018
<i>Recent Trend:</i>							
ECONOMIC PROBLEMS (NET)	12	14	14	13	13	12	17
Federal budget deficit/Federal debt	3	2	2	2	2	2	1
Economy in general	3	3	3	4	3	3	5
Unemployment/Jobs	3	1	3	3	3	2	4
Gap between rich and poor	1	2	2	1	1	1	2
Lack of money	1	1	1	*	*	*	1
Wage issues	1	1	1	*	1	1	1
Taxes	1	*	1	1	1	*	2
Foreign trade/Trade deficit	*	*	1	*	1	*	1
Corporate corruption	*	1	1	*	1	1	1
High cost of living/Inflation	*	*	*	*	*	1	1
Fuel/Oil prices	--	--	*	*	*	--	--
NON-ECONOMIC PROBLEMS (NET)	87	83	84	86	81	82	80
The government/Poor leadership	35	29	19	18	27	29	21
Immigration	19	21	16	21	13	12	16
Healthcare	6	7	5	11	6	5	5
Race relations/Racism	5	8	7	9	6	9	7
Unifying the country	4	5	8	9	6	7	6
Poverty/Hunger/Homelessness	4	3	6	2	2	4	3
Environment/Pollution	3	3	5	2	3	1	2
Ethics/moral/religious/family decline	3	2	3	4	3	2	4
Lack of respect for each other	2	3	5	6	5	4	5
Education	2	2	2	3	2	2	2
National security	1	*	1	1	1	1	1
Abortion	1	1	*	*	2	*	1
Crime/Violence	1	2	4	1	1	1	2
Drugs	1	1	2	1	1	1	2
Welfare	1	*	--	2	*	1	1
Elections/Election reform	1	1	*	*	*	1	1
International issues, problems	1	*	1	1	1	1	2
Guns/Gun control	1	1	3	2	1	2	2
Judicial system/Courts/Laws	1	2	2	2	2	2	1
Wars/War (nonspecific)/Fear of war	1	*	*	1	1	1	1
Situation with Russia	1	*	*	--	--	*	1
The media	1	1	1	1	3	1	2
Foreign policy/Foreign aid/Focus overseas	1	2	*	1	1	1	*
Lack of military defense	*	--	*	--	--	*	*
Social Security	*	*	1	*	*	*	*
Terrorism	*	*	*	1	1	1	1
Children's behavior/Way they are raised	*	1	*	1	*	*	*
Care for the elderly/Medicare	*	*	*	1	*	1	*
Advancement of Computers/Technology	*	--	*	*	*	*	*
Situation in Iraq/ISIS	*	--	*	--	--	*	--
School shootings	*	--	1	1	1	*	*
War/conflict between Middle East nations	*	*	*	*	--	--	*
Gay/Lesbian rights	--	*	*	*	*	--	--
Situation with North Korea	--	--	*	*	*	*	1
Natural disaster response	--	--	*	--	--	--	*
Other non-economic	4	7	6	4	7	7	5
No opinion	3	4	3	4	4	4	4
Total	119%	121%	120%	125%	117%	115%	121%