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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted March 2-13, 2020 with a random sample of **-1,019—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 **-497—national adults in Form A,** the margin of sampling error is **±5 percentage points.**

For results based on the sample of **-522—national adults in Form B,** the margin of sampling error is **±5 percentage points.**

For results based on the sample of **-528—national adults who are 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 Dynata. 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](mailto:galluphelp@gallup.com).

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7. Next, I'm going to read a list of problems facing the country. For each one, please tell me if you personally worry about this problem a great deal, a fair amount, only a little, or not at all? First, how much do you personally worry about -- [RANDOM ORDER]?

<b><i>2020 Mar 2-13</i></b> <b><i>(sorted by "a great deal")</i></b>	Great deal	Fair amount	Only a little/ not at all
The availability and affordability of health care	54	25	20
Hunger and homelessness	47	29	23
Federal spending and the budget deficit	44	29	26
The quality of the environment	43	26	31
Crime and violence	42	33	24
The availability of guns	42	19	38
Drug use	42	25	32
The way income and wealth are distributed in the U.S.	38	26	35
The Social Security system	38	30	31
The economy	33	36	31
Illegal immigration	32	26	43
Race relations	31	27	42
The possibility of future terrorist attacks in the U.S.	31	30	39
The availability and affordability of energy	22	32	45

**FULL TRENDS: CONCERN ABOUT PROBLEMS FACING THE COUNTRY**

**A. Hunger and homelessness**

	Great deal	Fair amount	Only a little	Not at all	No opinion
2020 Mar 2-13	47	29	17	6	1
2019 Mar 1-10	49	30	13	7	*
2018 Mar 1-8	44	32	17	6	*
2017 Mar 1-5	47	30	16	6	*
2016 Mar 2-6	47	29	17	7	*
2015 Mar 5-8	43	33	19	5	*
2014 Mar 6-9 ^	43	33	17	6	1
2013 Mar 7-10	43	32	19	6	*
2012 Mar 8-11	44	32	19	6	*
2011 Mar 3-6	41	34	19	7	*
2010 Mar 4-7	40	34	19	7	*
2008 Mar 6-9	38	35	19	7	*
2007 Mar 11-14	43	29	21	8	--
2006 Mar 13-16	43	34	18	5	*
2005 Mar 7-10	37	27	27	8	1
2004 Mar 8-11	35	29	28	8	--
2003 Mar 24-25	37	33	22	8	--
2002 Mar 4-7	37	30	26	7	*
2001 Mar 5-7	45	34	16	5	*

**Q.7 (CONCERN ABOUT PROBLEMS FACING THE COUNTRY) CONTINUED**

**B. Crime and violence**

	<u>Great deal</u>	<u>Fair amount</u>	<u>Only a little</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	42	33	20	4	*
2019 Mar 1-10	47	28	21	4	--
2018 Mar 1-8	51	27	18	5	*
2017 Mar 1-5	47	29	18	6	*
2016 Mar 2-6	53	26	17	5	*
2015 Mar 5-8	43	30	21	5	*
2014 Mar 6-9 ^	39	31	24	5	1
2013 Mar 7-10	47	28	20	5	*
2012 Mar 8-11	42	31	21	5	*
2011 Mar 3-6	44	30	19	6	*
2010 Mar 4-7	43	30	21	6	*
2008 Mar 6-9	49	31	16	3	*
2007 Mar 11-14	48	32	16	4	*
2006 Mar 13-16	45	36	15	4	*
2005 Mar 7-10	46	25	26	3	*
2004 Mar 8-11	46	26	24	4	*
2003 Mar 24-25	45	31	18	5	1
2002 Mar 4-7	49	27	20	4	0
2001 Mar 5-7	62	26	9	3	*

^ Asked of a half sample

**C. The quality of the environment**

	<u>Great deal</u>	<u>Fair amount</u>	<u>Only a little</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	43	26	22	9	*
2019 Mar 1-10	47	27	18	8	*
2018 Mar 1-8	42	30	20	8	*
2017 Mar 1-5	47	30	16	7	1
2016 Mar 2-6	42	31	19	7	*
2015 Mar 5-8	34	34	22	10	*
2014 Mar 6-9 ^	31	35	24	10	--
2013 Mar 7-10	36	33	23	8	*
2012 Mar 8-11	37	36	19	7	1
2011 Mar 3-6	34	34	24	7	*
2010 Mar 4-7	34	34	24	7	1
2008 Mar 6-9	40	34	19	7	1
2007 Mar 11-14	43	33	18	6	*
2006 Mar 13-16	40	37	18	5	*
2005 Mar 7-10	35	30	28	6	1
2004 Mar 8-11	35	27	31	7	*
2003 Mar 24-25	34	34	21	10	1
2002 Mar 4-7	35	31	27	6	1
2001 Mar 5-7	42	35	17	5	1

**Q.7 (CONCERN ABOUT PROBLEMS FACING THE COUNTRY) CONTINUED**

**D. The availability and affordability of health care**

	<u>Great deal</u>	<u>Fair amount</u>	<u>Only a little</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	54	25	13	7	*
2019 Mar 1-10	55	25	13	8	*
2018 Mar 1-8	55	23	16	7	*
2017 Mar 1-5	57	25	11	7	*
2016 Mar 2-6	55	27	12	5	1
2015 Mar 5-8	54	22	15	9	*
2014 Mar 6-9 ^	57	20	14	9	1
2013 Mar 7-10	59	22	12	7	*
2012 Mar 8-11	60	21	15	4	*
2011 Mar 3-6	58	25	12	5	1
2010 Mar 4-7	56	23	12	8	*
2008 Mar 6-9	58	23	11	7	*
2007 Mar 11-14	63	20	12	4	*
2006 Mar 13-16	68	21	7	4	*
2005 Mar 7-10	60	19	14	6	1
2004 Mar 8-11	62	18	13	7	*
2003 Mar 24-25	55	24	12	8	1
2002 Mar 4-7	56	23	14	7	*
2001 Mar 5-7	60	24	11	5	*

^ Asked of a half sample

**E. Drug use**

	<u>Great deal</u>	<u>Fair amount</u>	<u>Only a little</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	42	25	20	12	*
2019 Mar 1-10	47	26	16	11	1
2018 Mar 1-8	45	25	16	13	1
2017 Mar 1-5	44	22	21	13	*
2016 Mar 2-6	44	23	18	15	*
2015 Mar 5-8	38	24	21	17	*
2014 Mar 6-9 ^	34	29	25	12	*
2013 Mar 7-10	36	24	23	17	*
2012 Mar 8-11	42	24	21	13	*
2011 Mar 3-6	40	24	21	14	1
2010 Mar 4-7	37	27	22	13	1
2008 Mar 6-9	43	24	24	9	*
2007 Mar 11-14	45	26	20	8	*
2006 Mar 13-16	48	25	18	9	*
2005 Mar 7-10	42	23	24	11	*
2004 Mar 8-11	46	19	20	14	1
2003 Mar 24-25	42	26	20	12	*
2002 Mar 4-7	49	22	19	9	1
2001 Mar 5-7	58	22	13	7	*

**Q.7 (CONCERN ABOUT PROBLEMS FACING THE COUNTRY) CONTINUED**

**F. Race relations**

	<u>Great deal</u>	<u>Fair amount</u>	<u>Only a little</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	31	27	23	19	1
2019 Mar 1-10	40	26	17	17	1
2018 Mar 1-8	37	27	18	17	1
2017 Mar 1-5	42	27	17	12	1
2016 Mar 2-6	35	27	20	17	*
2015 Mar 5-8	28	27	24	20	1
2014 Mar 6-9 ^	17	26	29	27	1
2013 Mar 7-10	18	26	30	23	2
2012 Mar 8-11	17	27	30	25	1
2011 Mar 3-6	16	28	29	25	1
2010 Mar 4-7	13	28	33	26	1
2008 Mar 6-9	18	27	31	23	1
2007 Mar 11-14	19	32	30	18	1
2006 Mar 13-16	22	36	23	19	*
2005 Mar 7-10	16	21	36	26	1
2004 Mar 8-11	19	23	34	23	1
2003 Mar 24-25	22	31	26	21	*
2002 Mar 4-7	23	25	30	21	1
2001 Mar 5-7	28	34	23	15	*

^ Asked of a half sample

**G. Illegal immigration**

	<u>Great deal</u>	<u>Fair amount</u>	<u>Only a little</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	32	26	23	20	*
2019 Mar 1-10	36	18	24	21	1
2018 Mar 1-8	34	24	21	20	*
2017 Mar 1-5	37	22	22	18	*
2016 Mar 2-6	37	23	22	17	*
2015 Mar 5-8	39	24	20	16	1
2014 Mar 6-9 ^	33	24	24	18	1
2013 Mar 7-10	37	23	26	14	*
2012 Mar 8-11	34	23	24	17	1
2011 Mar 3-6	42	23	20	14	*
2010 Mar 4-7	39	25	21	14	*
2008 Mar 6-9	40	30	19	11	*
2007 Mar 11-14	45	23	20	12	1
2006 Mar 13-16	43	29	18	10	*
2005 Mar 7-10	33	23	29	14	1
2004 Mar 8-11	37	22	25	15	1
2003 Mar 24-25	37	26	23	13	1
2002 Mar 4-7	33	25	26	16	*
2001 Mar 5-7	28	24	29	18	1

**Q.7 (CONCERN ABOUT PROBLEMS FACING THE COUNTRY) CONTINUED**

**H. The availability and affordability of energy**

	<u>Great deal</u>	<u>Fair amount</u>	<u>Only a little</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	22	32	29	16	*
2019 Mar 1-10	28	29	25	18	*
2018 Mar 1-8	25	34	28	12	1
2017 Mar 1-5	27	32	30	11	*
2016 Mar 2-6	27	34	25	13	*
2015 Mar 5-8	28	35	25	12	1
2014 Mar 6-9 ^	37	30	24	9	*
2013 Mar 7-10 ^	35	32	27	7	*
2012 Mar 8-11 ^	48	31	15	6	*
2011 Mar 3-6	46	33	14	7	*
2010 Mar 4-7	38	37	18	6	*
2008 Mar 6-9	47	35	13	4	1
2007 Mar 11-14	43	34	17	6	*
2006 Mar 13-16	48	35	12	5	*
2005 Mar 7-10	39	26	26	8	1
2004 Mar 8-11	35	28	25	11	1
2003 Mar 24-25	27	36	25	11	1
2002 Mar 4-7	32	30	29	9	*
2001 Mar 5-7	46	31	16	6	1

^ Asked of a half sample

**I. The economy**

	<u>Great deal</u>	<u>Fair amount</u>	<u>Only a little</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	33	36	22	9	*
2019 Mar 1-10	33	34	24	9	--
2018 Mar 1-8	34	36	22	8	*
2017 Mar 1-5	46	34	15	5	*
2016 Mar 2-6	55	28	14	4	*
2015 Mar 5-8	53	30	13	4	*
2014 Mar 6-9 ^	59	29	8	3	*
2013 Mar 7-10	68	22	7	2	*
2012 Mar 8-11	71	22	5	2	*
2011 Mar 3-6	71	22	5	2	1
2010 Mar 4-7	70	21	7	2	*
2008 Mar 6-9	60	30	7	3	--
2007 Mar 11-14	39	37	19	5	--
2006 Mar 13-16	43	37	14	5	*
2005 Mar 7-10	38	31	24	6	1
2004 Mar 8-11	41	29	24	6	*
2003 Mar 24-25	44	35	15	6	*
2002 Mar 4-7	37	36	21	6	*
2001 Mar 5-7	35	42	19	4	*

**Q.7 (CONCERN ABOUT PROBLEMS FACING THE COUNTRY) CONTINUED**

*ITEM J NOT ASKED*

**K. The Social Security system**

	<u>Great deal</u>	<u>Fair amount</u>	<u>Only a little</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	38	30	20	11	*
2019 Mar 1-10	41	26	23	10	1
2018 Mar 1-8	44	28	17	10	1
2017 Mar 1-5	45	25	20	10	*
2016 Mar 2-6	46	25	16	12	*
2015 Mar 5-8	46	29	14	11	1
2014 Mar 6-9 ^	46	29	18	6	1
2013 Mar 7-10	50	25	18	6	1
2012 Mar 8-11	48	30	14	7	1
2011 Mar 3-6	51	26	15	7	*
2010 Mar 4-7	53	26	14	7	1
2008 Mar 6-9	46	29	16	8	1
2007 Mar 11-14	49	27	16	7	1
2006 Mar 13-16	51	29	14	6	*
2005 Mar 7-10	48	24	20	7	1

**L. The possibility of future terrorist attacks in the U.S.**

	<u>Great deal</u>	<u>Fair amount</u>	<u>Only a little</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	31	30	29	10	*
2019 Mar 1-10	33	27	29	11	*
2018 Mar 1-8	40	28	22	9	1
2017 Mar 1-5	40	26	23	10	*
2016 Mar 2-6	48	23	19	10	*
2015 Mar 5-8	51	24	16	9	*
2014 Mar 6-9 ^	39	24	26	11	--
2013 Mar 7-10	34	29	26	10	1
2012 Mar 8-11	35	30	26	8	*
2011 Mar 3-6	40	29	22	9	*
2010 Mar 4-7	41	29	24	6	*
2008 Mar 6-9	40	33	20	7	*
2007 Mar 11-14	41	32	19	7	*
2006 Mar 13-16	45	31	18	6	*
2005 Mar 7-10	41	27	25	7	*
2004 Mar 8-11	42	28	22	8	*
2003 Mar 24-25	49	30	16	5	*
2002 Mar 4-7	49	26	20	5	*

^ Asked of a half sample

**Q.7 (CONCERN ABOUT PROBLEMS FACING THE COUNTRY) CONTINUED**

**M. Federal spending and the budget deficit**

	<u>Great deal</u>	<u>Fair amount</u>	<u>Only a little</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	44	29	17	9	*
2019 Mar 1-10	50	30	15	5	*
2018 Mar 1-8	51	26	15	7	1
2017 Mar 1-5	49	27	16	7	1
2014 Mar 6-9 ^	58	22	14	6	--
2013 Mar 7-10	61	23	11	4	1
2012 Mar 8-11	60	21	15	3	1
2011 Mar 3-6	64	23	8	4	1

^ Asked of a half sample

*ITEMS N-O NOT ASKED*

**P. The way income and wealth are distributed in the U.S.**

	<u>Great deal</u>	<u>Fair amount</u>	<u>Only a little</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	38	26	20	15	*
2019 Mar 1-10	44	23	17	16	*
2015 Mar 5-8	46	23	16	15	1

^ Asked of a half sample

**Q. The availability of guns**

	<u>Great deal</u>	<u>Fair amount</u>	<u>Only a little</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	42	19	17	21	1
2019 Mar 1-10	41	20	19	20	*
2018 Mar 1-8	51	19	14	17	*



Turning back to Donald Trump,

8. Do you think Donald Trump is doing a good job or a poor job in handling each of the following issues as president? How about – [RANDOM ORDER]?

**A. Protecting the nation's environment**

	<u>Good job</u>	<u>Poor job</u>	Fair/mixed (vol.)	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	39	58	2	1
2019 Mar 1-10	37	59	2	2
2018 Mar 1-8	31	60	6	2
2017 Mar 1-5 ^	36	57	4	3
<b>Barack Obama</b>				
2016 Mar 2-6	54	39	6	2
2015 Mar 5-8	52	39	5	4
2014 Mar 6-9	51	41	5	3
2013 Mar 7-10	55	34	6	5
2012 Mar 8-11	56	35	6	3
2011 Mar 3-6	55	33	6	6
2010 Mar 4-7	52	33	7	8
2009 Mar 5-8 ^	79	14	4	3
<b>George W. Bush</b>				
2008 Mar 6-9	31	58	7	4
2007 Mar 11-14	30	59	8	3
2006 Mar 13-16	33	55	9	3
2005 Mar 7-10	39	50	8	3
2004 Mar 8-11	41	46	9	4
2003 Mar 3-5	44	43	7	6
2002 Mar 4-7	50	38	7	5
2001 Apr 6-9	49	41	4	6
2001 Mar 5-7 ^	51	38	5	6

^ WORDING: Do you think George W. Bush/Barack Obama/Donald Trump will do a good job or a poor job ...

**Q.8 (DONALD TRUMP POLICY OUTCOMES) CONTINUED**

**B. Improving the nation's energy policy**

	<u>Good job</u>	<u>Poor job</u>	<u>Fair/mixed (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	44	51	2	3
2019 Mar 1-10	40	53	2	4
2018 Mar 1-8	35	56	4	4
2017 Mar 1-5 ^	46	48	2	3
<b>Barack Obama</b>				
2016 Mar 2-6	48	43	5	4
2015 Mar 5-8	39	50	5	6
2014 Mar 6-9	42	48	5	5
2013 Mar 7-10	46	45	4	5
2012 Mar 8-11	42	47	5	6
2011 Mar 3-6	41	47	6	6
2010 Mar 4-7	43	44	5	8
2009 Mar 5-8 ^	72	21	2	4
<b>George W. Bush</b>				
2008 Mar 6-9	23	67	6	4
2007 Mar 11-14	26	63	7	4
2006 Mar 13-16	25	63	7	5
2005 Mar 7-10	32	54	7	7
2004 Mar 8-11	34	51	8	7
2003 Mar 3-5	39	45	7	9
2002 Mar 4-7	46	36	8	10
2001 Apr 6-9	54	36	3	7
2001 Mar 5-7 ^	58	29	6	7

^ WORDING: Do you think George W. Bush/Barack Obama/Donald Trump will do a good job or a poor job ...

**Q.8 (DONALD TRUMP POLICY OUTCOMES) CONTINUED**

**C. Making America prosperous**

	<u>Good job</u>	<u>Poor job</u>	<u>Fair/mixed (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	54	43	2	1
2019 Mar 1-10	49	48	2	2
2018 Mar 1-8	46	47	5	2
2017 Mar 1-5 ^	54	41	4	2
<b>Barack Obama</b>				
2016 Mar 2-6	45	49	5	1
2015 Mar 5-8	39	53	6	2
2014 Mar 6-9	39	54	5	2
2013 Mar 7-10	41	52	5	2
2012 Mar 8-11	43	50	5	2
2011 Mar 3-6	36	55	6	2
2010 Mar 4-7	38	54	6	3
2009 Mar 5-8 ^	61	30	3	6
<b>George W. Bush (WORDING: Keeping America prosperous)</b>				
2008 Mar 6-9	27	64	6	3
2007 Mar 11-14	41	50	7	1
2006 Mar 13-16	39	51	7	2
2005 Mar 7-10	47	43	8	2
2004 Mar 8-11	41	49	9	1
2003 Mar 3-5	44	45	7	4
2002 Mar 4-7	63	26	8	3
2001 Apr 6-9	60	30	4	6
2001 Mar 5-7 ^	66	23	7	4

^ WORDING: Do you think George W. Bush/Barack Obama/Donald Trump will do a good job or a poor job ...

9. Do you think the U.S. government is doing too much, too little, or about the right amount in terms of protecting the environment?

	<u>Too much</u>	<u>Too little</u>	<u>About the right amount</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	6	61	32	1
2019 Mar 1-10	8	61	31	1
2018 Mar 1-8	9	62	28	1
2017 Mar 1-5	11	59	26	3
2016 Mar 2-6	12	57	29	2
2015 Mar 5-8	16	48	34	1
2014 Mar 6-9	17	48	34	1
2013 Mar 7-10	16	47	35	2
2012 Mar 8-11	17	51	30	2
2011 Mar 3-6	16	49	33	2
2010 Mar 4-7	15	46	35	4
2006 Mar 13-16 ^	4	62	33	1
2005 Mar 7-10 ^	5	58	34	3
2004 Mar 8-11 ^	5	55	37	3
2003 Mar 3-5 ^	7	51	37	5
2001 Mar 5-7 †	11	55	31	3
2000 Apr 3-9	10	58	30	2
1992 Jan 5-Mar 31	4	68	26	2

^ Asked of a half sample

† Asked in rotation with "U.S. corporations" and "The American people."

Next,

10. How would you rate the overall quality of the environment in this country today -- as excellent, good, only fair, or poor?

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Only fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	6	36	43	14	*
2019 Mar 1-10	11	32	43	15	*
2018 Mar 1-8	6	34	47	12	1
2017 Mar 1-5	6	40	44	9	1
2016 Mar 2-6	6	37	45	12	1
2015 Mar 5-8	7	43	40	9	1
2014 Mar 6-9	5	39	44	11	*
2013 Mar 7-10	7	41	43	8	*
2012 Mar 8-11	6	38	45	10	1
2011 Mar 3-6	7	38	43	11	*
2010 Mar 4-7	4	42	44	9	1
2009 Mar 5-8	5	34	45	16	*
2008 Mar 6-9	5	35	49	11	*
2007 Mar 11-14	5	35	48	11	1
2006 Mar 13-16	5	35	49	11	*
2005 Mar 7-10	4	37	48	10	1
2004 Mar 8-11	4	39	46	11	*
2003 Mar 3-5	5	36	48	10	1
2002 Mar 4-7	4	43	45	7	1
2001 Mar 5-7	5	41	47	6	1

11. Right now, do you think the quality of the environment in the country as a whole is getting better or getting worse?

	<u>Getting better</u>	<u>Getting worse</u>	<u>Same (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	36	60	4	1
2019 Mar 1-10	32	64	3	1
2018 Mar 1-8	33	61	4	2
2017 Mar 1-5	36	57	4	3
2016 Mar 2-6	37	56	5	3
2015 Mar 5-8	41	51	7	1
2014 Mar 6-9	42	50	6	2
2013 Mar 7-10	41	49	7	4
2012 Mar 8-11	42	49	7	2
2011 Mar 3-6	42	48	8	2
2010 Mar 4-7	41	48	8	3
2009 Mar 5-8	41	51	5	2
2008 Mar 6-9	26	68	5	1
2007 Mar 11-14	25	67	7	1
2006 Mar 13-16	25	67	6	2
2005 Mar 7-10	29	63	6	2
2004 Mar 8-11	34	58	6	2
2003 Mar 3-5	33	57	8	2
2002 Mar 4-7	40	54	4	2
2001 Mar 5-7	36	57	5	2

Q.12/13 SPLIT SAMPLED

12. *(Asked of a half sample)* How much progress do you think has been made in dealing with environmental problems over the past twenty years? Would you say there has been a great deal of progress, only some progress, or hardly any progress at all?

**BASED ON – 497 – NATIONAL ADULTS IN FORM A**

	Great deal of <u>progress</u>	Only some <u>progress</u>	Hardly any <u>progress at all</u>	No <u>opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13 ^	21	59	19	1
2007 Mar 11-14	18	60	21	1
2002 Mar 4-7	27	60	12	1
2001 Mar 5-7 ^	25	65	8	2
2000 Apr 3-9 †	26	64	9	1
1999 Apr 13-14 †	36	55	8	1
1995 Apr 17-19 †	24	61	14	1
1991 Apr 11-14 †	18	61	19	1
1990 Apr 5-8 †	14	63	21	2

^ Asked of a half sample.

† WORDING: How much progress have we made in dealing with environmental problems in the past few decades--say since 1970? Would you say we have made a great deal of progress, only some progress, or hardly any progress at all?

13. *(Asked of a half sample)* How much progress do you think has been made in dealing with environmental problems over the past fifty years? Would you say there has been a great deal of progress, only some progress, or hardly any progress at all?

**BASED ON – 522 – NATIONAL ADULTS IN FORM B**

	Great deal of <u>progress</u>	Only some <u>progress</u>	Hardly any <u>progress at all</u>	No <u>opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13 ^	26	56	18	*

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16. With which one of these statements about the environment and the economy do you most agree – [ROTATED: protection of the environment should be given priority, even at the risk of curbing economic growth (or) economic growth should be given priority, even if the environment suffers to some extent]?

	<u>Environment</u>	<u>Economic growth</u>	<u>Equal priority (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	60	33	5	2
2019 Mar 1-10	65	30	3	2
2018 Mar 1-8	57	35	4	4
2017 Mar 1-5	56	35	5	4
2016 Mar 2-6	56	37	4	3
2015 Mar 5-8	46	42	6	5
2014 Mar 6-9	50	41	4	5
2013 Mar 7-10	43	48	4	5
2012 Mar 8-11	41	49	6	4
2011 Mar 3-6	36	54	6	4
2010 May 24-25	50	43	4	3
2010 Mar 4-7	38	53	4	5
2009 Mar 5-8	42	51	5	3
2008 Mar 6-9	49	42	5	3
2007 Mar 11-14	55	37	4	4
2006 Mar 13-16	52	37	6	4
2005 Mar 7-10	53	36	7	4
2004 Mar 8-11	49	44	4	3
2003 Mar 3-5	47	42	7	4
2002 Mar 4-7	54	36	5	5
2001 Mar 5-7	57	33	6	4
2000 Apr 3-9	67	28	2	3
2000 Jan 13-16	70	23	--	7
1999 Apr 13-14	67	28	--	5
1999 Mar 12-14	65	30	--	5
1998 Apr 17-19	68	24	--	8
1997 Jul 25-27	66	27	--	7
1995 Apr 17-19	62	32	--	6
1992 Jan 5-Mar 31	58	26	8	8
1991 Apr 11-14	71	20	--	9
1990 Apr 5-8	71	19	--	10
1984 Sep 28-Oct 1	61	28	--	11

Next,

17. I'm going to read you a list of environmental problems. As I read each one, please tell me if you personally worry about this problem a great deal, a fair amount, only a little, or not at all. First, how much do you personally worry about -- [RANDOM ORDER]?

<b><i>2020 Mar 2-13 (sorted by "a great deal")</i></b>	Great deal	Fair amount	Only a little/ Not at all
Pollution of drinking water	58	23	20
Pollution of rivers, lakes, and reservoirs	55	26	19
Ocean and beach pollution	52	29	18
The loss of tropical rain forests	49	26	25
Air pollution	48	28	25
Extinction of plant and animal species	47	28	25
Global warming or Climate change	46	19	34

**FULL TRENDS: ENVIRONMENTAL WORRIES**

**A. Pollution of rivers, lakes, and reservoirs**

	Great <u>deal</u>	Fair <u>amount</u>	Only a <u>little</u>	Not <u>at all</u>	No <u>opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	55	26	13	6	*
2019 Mar 1-10	53	27	14	6	*
2018 Mar 1-8	55	28	13	3	--
2017 Mar 1-5	57	28	11	4	*
2016 Mar 2-6	56	25	14	5	*
2015 Mar 5-8	47	32	15	6	*
2014 Mar 6-9	53	28	15	3	*
2013 Mar 7-10	46	32	16	6	*
2012 Mar 8-11	48	31	17	4	*
2011 Mar 3-6	46	33	16	6	*
2010 Mar 4-7	46	32	18	4	*
2009 Mar 5-8	52	31	13	4	*
2008 Mar 6-9	50	34	12	4	--
2007 Mar 11-14	53	31	13	3	--
2006 Mar 13-16	51	33	11	5	*
2004 Mar 8-11	48	31	16	5	*
2003 Mar 3-5	51	31	13	5	--
2002 Mar 4-7	53	32	12	3	*
2001 Mar 5-7	58	29	10	3	*
2000 Apr 3-9	66	24	8	2	*
1999 Apr 13-14	61	30	7	2	*
1999 Mar 12-14	55	30	12	3	*
1991 Apr 11-14	67	21	8	3	1
1990 Apr 5-8	64	23	9	4	--
1989 May 4-7	72	19	5	3	1



**Q.17 (ENVIRONMENTAL WORRIES) CONTINUED**

**B. Air pollution**

	<u>Great deal</u>	<u>Fair amount</u>	<u>Only a little</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	48	28	16	9	--
2019 Mar 1-10	43	31	16	10	--
2018 Mar 1-8	46	30	17	7	--
2017 Mar 1-5	47	31	15	7	--
2016 Mar 2-6	43	31	19	7	--
2015 Mar 5-8	38	33	19	10	*
2014 Mar 6-9	46	27	21	7	--
2013 Mar 7-10	40	30	20	9	--
2012 Mar 8-11	36	35	22	7	*
2011 Mar 3-6	36	36	20	8	*
2010 Mar 4-7	38	32	22	8	*
2009 Mar 5-8	45	31	18	6	*
2008 Mar 6-9	43	35	17	6	--
2007 Mar 11-14	46	33	15	5	*
2006 Mar 13-16	44	34	15	7	*
2004 Mar 8-11	39	30	23	8	*
2003 Mar 3-5	42	32	20	6	*
2002 Mar 4-7	45	33	18	4	*
2001 Mar 5-7	48	34	14	4	*
2000 Apr 3-9	59	29	9	3	*
1999 Apr 13-14	52	35	10	3	*
1999 Mar 12-14	47	33	16	4	*
1997 Oct 27-28	42	34	18	5	1
1991 Apr 11-14	59	28	10	4	*
1990 Apr 5-8	58	29	9	4	*
1989 May 4-7	63	24	8	4	*

**Q.17 (ENVIRONMENTAL WORRIES) CONTINUED**

**C. The loss of tropical rain forests**

	<u>Great deal</u>	<u>Fair amount</u>	<u>Only a little</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	49	26	15	10	*
2019 Mar 1-10	39	28	21	12	*
2018 Mar 1-8	42	25	22	11	*
2017 Mar 1-5	44	25	21	10	*
2016 Mar 2-6	39	28	20	13	*
2015 Mar 5-8	33	30	21	16	1
2014 Mar 6-9	41	27	22	11	*
2013 Mar 7-10	37	27	23	13	1
2012 Mar 8-11	37	27	24	12	1
2011 Mar 3-6	34	29	21	14	1
2010 Mar 4-7	33	33	22	11	1
2009 Mar 5-8	42	26	21	11	*
2008 Mar 6-9	40	29	20	11	*
2007 Mar 11-14	43	30	17	10	1
2006 Mar 13-16	40	24	22	13	1
2004 Mar 8-11	35	26	23	15	1
2003 Mar 3-5	39	29	21	11	*
2002 Mar 4-7	38	27	21	12	2
2001 Mar 5-7	44	32	15	8	1
2000 Apr 3-9	51	25	14	9	1
1999 Apr 13-14	49	30	14	6	1
1991 Apr 11-14	42	25	21	10	2
1990 Apr 5-8	40	24	19	14	3
1989 May 4-7	42	25	18	12	3

**Q.17 (ENVIRONMENTAL WORRIES) CONTINUED**

**D. Global Warming or Climate Change**

	<u>Great deal</u>	<u>Fair amount</u>	<u>Only a little</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	46	19	15	19	*
2019 Mar 1-10	44	21	15	20	*
2018 Mar 1-8	43	20	18	18	*
2017 Mar 1-5	45	21	18	16	*
2016 Mar 2-6	37	27	17	19	*
2015 Mar 5-8	32	23	21	24	*
2014 Mar 6-9 †	34	22	19	24	*
2013 Mar 7-10 †	33	25	20	23	*
2012 Mar 8-11 †	30	25	22	23	1
2011 Mar 3-6 †	25	26	20	28	1
2010 Mar 4-7 †	28	24	19	29	*
2009 Mar 5-8 † ‡	34	26	20	20	1
2008 Mar 6-9 ‡	37	29	16	17	1
2007 Mar 11-14 ‡	41	24	18	16	1
2006 Mar 13-16 ‡	36	26	21	15	1
2004 Mar 8-11 ‡	26	25	28	19	2
2003 Mar 3-5 ‡	28	30	23	17	2
2002 Mar 4-7 ‡	29	29	23	17	2
2001 Mar 5-7 ‡	33	30	22	13	2
2000 Apr 3-9 ‡	40	32	15	12	1
1999 Apr 13-14 ‡	34	34	18	12	2
1999 Mar 12-14 ‡	28	31	23	16	2
1997 Oct 27-28 ‡	24	26	29	17	4
1991 Apr 11-14 ‡	35	27	22	12	5
1990 Apr 5-8 ‡	30	27	20	16	6
1989 May 4-7 ‡	35	28	18	12	7

Note: 2009-2014 WORDING: Global warming

1989-2009 WORDING: The “greenhouse effect” or global warming

2009 results based on combined results using the two different wordings, each asked of a half sample.

**Q.17 (ENVIRONMENTAL WORRIES) CONTINUED**

**E. Pollution of drinking water**

	<u>Great deal</u>	<u>Fair amount</u>	<u>Only a little</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	58	23	14	6	*
2019 Mar 1-10	56	23	14	7	*
2018 Mar 1-8	59	23	12	5	--
2017 Mar 1-5	63	22	11	4	--
2016 Mar 2-6	61	19	13	6	--
2015 Mar 5-8	55	22	15	8	*
2014 Mar 6-9	60	22	13	5	*
2013 Mar 7-10	53	26	14	6	--
2012 Mar 8-11	48	30	15	6	*
2011 Mar 3-6	51	26	16	7	*
2010 Mar 4-7	50	27	17	6	*
2009 Mar 5-8	59	25	11	5	*
2008 Mar 6-9	53	28	13	6	*
2007 Mar 11-14	58	24	12	5	*
2006 Mar 13-16	54	27	12	7	*
2004 Mar 8-11	53	24	17	6	*
2003 Mar 3-5	54	25	15	6	--
2002 Mar 4-7	57	25	13	5	*
2001 Mar 5-7	64	24	9	3	*
2000 Apr 3-9	72	20	6	2	*
1999 Apr 13-14	68	22	7	3	*
1991 Apr 11-14	67	19	10	3	1
1990 Apr 5-8	65	22	9	4	*

**Q.17 (ENVIRONMENTAL WORRIES) CONTINUED**

**F. Extinction of plant and animal species**

	<u>Great deal</u>	<u>Fair amount</u>	<u>Only a little</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	47	28	15	10	*
2019 Mar 1-10	43	25	20	11	*
2018 Mar 1-8	46	27	18	9	*
2017 Mar 1-5	44	28	18	10	*
2016 Mar 2-6	42	26	22	11	*
2015 Mar 5-8	36	28	22	14	*
2014 Mar 6-9	41	24	24	10	1
2013 Mar 7-10	35	29	22	13	*
2012 Mar 8-11	36	29	23	12	1
2011 Mar 3-6	34	30	23	13	1
2010 Mar 4-7	31	30	24	15	*
2009 Mar 5-8	37	28	22	12	*
2008 Mar 6-9	37	31	20	11	*
2007 Mar 11-14	39	30	19	12	*
2006 Mar 13-16	34	29	23	14	1
2004 Mar 8-11	36	26	23	15	*
2003 Mar 3-5	34	32	21	12	1
2002 Mar 4-7	35	30	22	12	1
2001 Mar 5-7	43	30	19	7	1
2000 Apr 3-9	45	33	14	8	*

**G. Ocean and beach pollution**

	<u>Great deal</u>	<u>Fair amount</u>	<u>Only a little</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	52	29	12	6	*
2001 Mar 5-7	43	34	17	5	1
2000 Apr 3-9	54	30	10	5	1
1999 Apr 13-14	50	32	13	4	1
1999 Mar 12-14	43	32	17	7	1
1991 Apr 11-14	53	26	14	6	1
1990 Apr 5-8	52	27	12	7	2
1989 May 4-7	60	23	11	5	1

18. Next, thinking about the issue of global warming, how well do you feel you understand this issue? Would you say -- very well, fairly well, not very well, or not at all?

	<u>Very well</u>	<u>Fairly well</u>	<u>Not very well</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	24	59	13	3	*
2019 Mar 1-10	27	53	18	2	1
2018 Mar 1-8	29	52	15	3	*
2017 Mar 1-5	29	50	19	3	*
2016 Mar 2-6	24	55	16	5	*
2015 Mar 5-8	25	52	19	4	*
2014 Mar 6-9	33	51	14	2	--
2013 Mar 7-10	27	52	18	3	*
2012 Mar 8-11	29	55	12	4	*
2011 Mar 3-6	25	55	15	4	1
2010 Mar 4-7	26	56	15	3	*
2008 Mar 6-9	21	59	18	2	*
2007 Mar 11-14	22	54	19	4	*
2006 Mar 13-16	21	53	20	6	*
2005 Mar 7-10	16	54	24	6	*
2004 Mar 8-11	18	50	26	6	*
2003 Mar 3-5	15	53	27	5	--
2002 Mar 4-7	17	52	25	6	*
2001 Mar 5-7	15	54	24	6	1
1997 Nov 6-9	16	45	28	10	1
1992 Jan	11	42	22	22	3

1992-2008 WORDING: Next, thinking about the issue of global warming, sometimes called the "greenhouse effect," how well do you feel you understand this issue -- would you say very well, fairly well, not very well, or not at all?

19. Which of the following statements reflects your view of when the effects of global warming will begin to happen – [ROTATED: they have already begun to happen, they will start happening within a few years, they will start happening within your lifetime, they will not happen within your lifetime, but they will affect future generations, (or) they will never happen]?

	Already <u>begun</u>	Within a <u>few years</u>	Within your <u>lifetime</u>	Not within lifetime, but affect <u>future</u>	Will never <u>happen</u>	No <u>opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	61	3	8	17	9	1
2019 Mar 1-10	59	4	9	16	11	1
2018 Mar 1-8	60	4	5	16	12	3
2017 Mar 1-5	62	4	7	16	9	3
2016 Mar 2-6	59	5	9	17	10	1
2015 Mar 5-8	55	3	8	17	16	1
2014 Mar 6-9	54	3	8	16	18	2
2013 Mar 7-10	54	3	9	15	15	3
2012 Mar 8-11	52	4	10	15	15	2
2011 Mar 3-6	49	4	9	17	18	3
2010 Mar 4-7	50	3	10	16	19	2
2009 Mar 5-8	53	5	10	15	16	2
2008 Mar 6-9	61	4	10	13	11	1
2007 Mar 23-25	60	4	7	15	11	3
2007 Mar 11-14	59	3	8	19	8	3
2006 Mar 13-16	58	5	10	15	8	3
2005 Mar 7-10	54	5	10	19	9	3
2004 Mar 8-11	51	5	12	18	11	3
2003 Mar 3-5	51	6	12	17	10	4
2002 Mar 4-7	53	5	13	17	9	3
2001 Mar 5-7	54	4	13	18	7	4
1997 Nov 6-9	48	3	14	19	9	7

20. Thinking about what is said in the news, in your view is the seriousness of global warming -- [ROTATED: generally exaggerated, generally correct, or is it generally underestimated]?

	<u>Generally exaggerated</u>	<u>Generally correct</u>	<u>Generally underestimated</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	37	25	38	*
2019 Mar 1-10	35	22	42	1
2018 Mar 1-8	33	25	41	1
2017 Mar 1-5	34	28	35	2
2016 Mar 2-6	34	25	40	2
2015 Mar 5-8	42	21	35	2
2014 Mar 6-9	42	23	33	2
2013 Mar 7-10	41	24	33	2
2012 Mar 8-11	42	24	31	3
2011 Mar 3-6	43	26	29	3
2010 Mar 4-7	48	24	25	3
2009 Mar 5-8	41	29	28	2
2008 Mar 6-9	35	33	29	2
2007 Mar 11-14	33	29	35	4
2006 Mar 13-16	30	28	38	4
2005 Mar 7-10	31	29	35	5
2004 Mar 8-11	38	25	33	4
2003 Mar 3-5	33	29	33	5
2002 Mar 4-7	31	32	32	5
2001 Mar 5-7	30	34	32	4
1997 Nov 6-9 ^	31	34	27	8

^ Based on half sample.

21. Just your impression, which one of the following statements do you think is most accurate – most scientists believe that global warming is occurring, most scientists believe that global warming is NOT occurring, or most scientists are unsure about whether global warming is occurring or not?

	<u>Is occurring</u>	<u>Not occurring</u>	<u>Unsure</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	68	4	27	2
2019 Mar 1-10	65	6	26	2
2018 Mar 1-8	66	6	24	4
2017 Mar 1-5	71	5	22	2
2016 Mar 2-6	65	7	25	3
2015 Mar 5-8	62	8	27	3
2014 Mar 6-9	60	8	29	3
2013 Mar 7-10	62	6	28	4
2012 Mar 8-11	58	7	32	3
2011 Mar 3-6	55	8	33	4
2010 Mar 4-7	52	10	36	2
2008 Mar 6-9	65	7	26	3
2006 Mar 13-16	65	3	29	3
2001 Mar 5-7	61	4	30	5
1997 Nov 21-23	48	7	39	6



22. And from what you have heard or read, do you believe increases in the Earth's temperature over the last century are due more to – [ROTATED: the effects of pollution from human activities (or) natural changes in the environment that are not due to human activities]?

	<u>Human activities</u>	<u>Natural causes</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	64	34	2
2019 Mar 1-10	66	31	3
2018 Mar 1-8	64	33	3
2017 Mar 1-5	68	29	3
2016 Mar 2-6	65	31	4
2015 Mar 5-8	55	41	4
2014 Mar 6-9	57	40	3
2013 Mar 7-10	57	39	4
2012 Mar 8-11	53	41	6
2011 Mar 3-6	52	43	5
2010 Mar 4-7	50	46	5
2008 Mar 6-9	58	38	5
2007 Mar 11-14	61	35	5
2006 Mar 13-16	58	36	6
2003 Mar 3-5	61	33	6
2001 Mar 5-7	61	33	6

23. Do you think that global warming will pose a serious threat to you or your way of life in your lifetime?

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Mar 2-13	45	54	*
2019 Mar 1-10	45	55	*
2018 Mar 1-8	45	54	1
2017 Mar 1-5	42	57	1
2016 Mar 2-6	41	57	2
2015 Mar 5-8	37	62	2
2014 Mar 6-9	36	64	1
2013 Mar 7-10	34	64	1
2012 Mar 8-11	38	61	1
2010 Mar 4-7	32	67	2
2009 Mar 5-8	38	60	2
2008 Mar 6-9	40	58	2
2006 Mar 13-16	35	62	2
2002 Mar 4-7	33	65	2
2001 Mar 5-7	31	66	3
1997 Nov 6-9 ^	25	69	6

^ Asked of a half sample.