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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted September 1-17, 2021 with a random sample of **-1,005—**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 **-478—**national adults in Form A, the margin of sampling error is **±6** percentage points.

For results based on the sample of **-527—**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 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 2019 Current Population Survey figures for the aged 18 and older U.S. population. Phone status targets are based on the July-December 2019 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.

23. Some people think the government is trying to do too many things that should be left to individuals and businesses. Others think that government should do more to solve our country's problems. Which comes closer to your own view?

	Doing too much	Should do more	Mixed (vol.)	No opin- ion		Doing too much	Should do more	Mixed (vol.)	No opin- ion
2021 Sep 1-17	52	43	4	2	2004 Nov 19-21	55	36	7	2
					2004 Sep 13-15	49	41	8	2
2020 Aug 31-Sep 13	41	54	4	1	2003 Oct 24-26	52	40	6	2
2019 Sep 3-15	49	47	3	1	2003 Sep 8-10	51	43	4	2
2018 Sep 4-12	50	44	5	2	2002 Sep 5-8	50	43	5	2
2017 Sep 6-10	50	45	4	1	2001 Oct 5-6	41	50	6	3
2016 Sep 7-11	54	41	3	2	2001 Sep 7-10	55	36	7	2
2015 Sep 9-13	55	40	3	2	2000 Sep 11-13	50	37	11	2
2014 Sep 4-7	54	41	5	1	2000 Aug 18-19	54	38	6	2
2013 Sep 5-8	53	40	4	3	1999 Sep 10-14	55	39	4	2
2012 Sep 24-27	57	34	6	3	1998 Oct 29-30	50	38	6	6
2012 Sep 6-9	54	39	5	3	1998 Apr 17-19	59	33	7	1
2012 Jul 19-22	61	34	4	1	1997 Jan 31-Feb 2	58	33	6	3
2011 Sep 8-11	56	39	2	2	1996 Jan 12-15	58	35	6	1
2010 Sep 13-16	58	36	5	1	1995 Dec 15-19	60	32	5	3
2010 Jun 11-13	53	39	7	1	1994 Nov 2-6	55	37	5	3
2009 Aug 31-Sep 2	57	38	4	1	1994 Oct 22-25	57	37	4	2
2009 Mar 27-29	50	42	6	2	1994 Jan 15-17	54	39	5	2
2009 Mar 5-8 ^	47	42	8	3	1993 Dec 17-19	55	38	6	1
2008 Sep 8-11	53	41	4	2	1993 Apr 22-24	49	45	3	3
2008 Jun 15-18	50	43	5	2	1993 Mar 22-24	45	49	4	2
2007 Sep 14-16	49	43	6	2	1992 Oct 23-25 †	48	44	5	3
2006 Sep 7-10	47	44	6	3	1992 Sep 11-15	46	47	4	3
2005 Sep 12-15	50	44	4	2	1992 Aug 31-Sep 2 †	50	43	5	2

^ Asked of a half sample

† Based on registered voters

24. In general, do you think there is too much, too little or about the right amount of government regulation of business and industry?

	<u>Too much</u>	<u>Too little</u>	<u>Right amount</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
Gallup Poll				
2021 Sep 1-17	43	25	30	2
2020 Aug 31-Sep 13	36	27	36	1
2019 Sep 3-15	38	28	33	1
2018 Sep 4-12	39	25	33	3
2017 Sep 6-10	45	23	29	3
2016 Sep 7-11	47	22	27	4
2015 Sep 9-13	49	21	27	2
2014 Sep 4-7	49	22	27	3
2013 Sep 5-8	48	23	26	3
2012 Sep 6-9	47	26	24	3
2011 Sep 8-11	50	24	23	3
2010 Sep 13-16	49	27	21	3
2009 Aug 31-Sep 2	45	24	27	3
2008 Sep 8-11	38	27	31	3
2007 Sep 14-16	38	26	33	4
2006 Sep 7-10	36	28	30	6
2005 Sep 12-15	34	23	40	3
2004 Sep 13-15	37	24	34	5
2003 Sep 8-10	37	25	35	3
2002 Sep 5-8	35	31	31	3
2002 Jun 28-30	32	33	30	5
2002 Feb 8-10	28	30	39	3
2001 Sep 7-10	41	17	38	4
1993 Mar 22-24	37	28	30	5
Los Angeles Times				
1991 Apr	27	29	36	8
1981 Mar	54	18	14	14

25. Do you think the federal government today -- [ROTATED: has too much power, has about the right amount of power, or has too little power]?

	<u>Too much</u>	<u>About the right amount</u>	<u>Too little</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2021 Sep 1-17	54	36	9	1
2019 Sep 3-15	56	38	6	1
2018 Sep 4-12	53	38	8	1
2017 Sep 6-10	55	36	7	1
2016 Sep 7-11	59	32	8	2
2015 Sep 9-13	60	32	7	1
2014 Sep 4-7	59	30	9	1
2013 Sep 5-8	60	32	7	1
2013 May 20-21 ^ †	54	36	8	1
2012 Sep 6-9	51	40	8	1
2011 Sep 8-11	57	35	8	1
2010 Sep 13-16	59	33	8	1
2009 Aug 31-Sep 2	51	39	8	2
2009 Mar 5-8 ^	50	42	7	2
2008 Sep 8-11	52	40	6	2
2007 Sep 14-16	56	36	6	2
2006 Sep 7-10	52	40	6	2
2005 Sep 12-15	50	43	6	1
2004 Sep 13-15	42	49	7	2
2003 Sep 8-10	43	49	7	1
2002 Sep 5-8	39	52	7	2

^ Asked of a half sample

† Asked on Gallup Daily tracking survey

27. (*Asked of a half sample*) Would you rather have more government services if that meant more taxes, less government services in order to reduce taxes, or services and taxes about as we have them now?

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	<u>More services/ More taxes</u>	<u>Less services/ Reduce taxes</u>	<u>Services and taxes as now</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2021 Sep 1-17 ^	19	50	29	1
2019 Sep 3-15	25	42	32	1
2013 Sep 5-8 ^	20	47	29	4
2011 Sep 8-11	16	56	26	3
1993 Mar 22-24	20	40	35	4

^ Asked of a half sample

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QN23: Government Role – Economy BY Total + Gender + Race I + Age + Education + Party I.D. + Ideology

		Total	Gender		Race I		Age			Education			Party I.D.			Ideology		
			Male	Female	White	Non-white	18-34	35-54	55+	College Grad	Some College	HS Grad or Less	Republican	Independent	Democrat	Conservative	Moderate	Liberal
Total	Unweighted n	1005	538	467	760	221	193	259	535	454	329	215	326	390	265	401	354	227
	Weighted n	1005	487	518	655	332	285	298	408	353	282	367	287	409	287	376	362	248
Government doing too much		519	277	242	382	130	132	166	215	181	163	174	229	231	52	285	178	49
		52%	57%	47%	58%	39%	46%	56%	53%	51%	58%	47%	80%	57%	18%	76%	49%	20%
Government should do more		434	189	245	242	182	139	108	180	153	103	176	44	156	223	75	163	188
		43%	39%	47%	37%	55%	49%	36%	44%	43%	37%	48%	15%	38%	78%	20%	45%	76%
Mixed/Depends (vol.)		37	17	20	21	16	12	15	9	14	11	12	7	16	11	9	16	10
		4%	4%	4%	3%	5%	4%	5%	2%	4%	4%	3%	3%	4%	4%	2%	4%	4%
(DK)/(Refused)		15	4	11	9	4	2	9	4	5	4	5	7	5	2	8	5	1
		2%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	3%	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%	0%

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QN24: Government Regulation of Business BY Total + Gender + Race I + Age + Education + Party I.D. + Ideology

		Total	Gender		Race I		Age			Education			Party I.D.			Ideology		
			Male	Female	White	Non-white	18-34	35-54	55+	College Grad	Some College	HS Grad or Less	Republican	Independent	Democrat	Conservative	Moderate	Liberal
Total	Unweighted n	1005	538	467	760	221	193	259	535	454	329	215	326	390	265	401	354	227
	Weighted n	1005	487	518	655	332	285	298	408	353	282	367	287	409	287	376	362	248
Too much		431	235	197	328	94	98	126	201	138	142	150	207	178	32	258	139	25
		43%	48%	38%	50%	28%	34%	42%	49%	39%	51%	41%	72%	43%	11%	68%	38%	10%
Too little		252	124	128	153	97	87	82	82	110	70	72	18	114	119	38	89	123
		25%	25%	25%	23%	29%	30%	27%	20%	31%	25%	20%	6%	28%	42%	10%	25%	50%
About the right amount		303	120	183	167	132	99	82	117	99	67	135	58	110	130	74	129	95
		30%	25%	35%	26%	40%	35%	27%	29%	28%	24%	37%	20%	27%	45%	20%	36%	38%
Don't know/Refused		18	9	9	6	8	2	8	8	6	3	9	4	7	6	6	5	5
		2%	2%	2%	1%	3%	1%	3%	2%	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%

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QN25: Federal Government Power BY Total + Gender + Race I + Age + Education + Party I.D. + Ideology

		Gender		Race I		Age			Education			Party I.D.			Ideology			
		Total	Male	Female	White	Non-white	18-34	35-54	55+	College Grad	Some College	HS Grad or Less	Republican	Independent	Democrat	Conservative	Moderate	Liberal
Total	Unweighted n	1005	538	467	760	221	193	259	535	454	329	215	326	390	265	401	354	227
	Weighted n	1005	487	518	655	332	285	298	408	353	282	367	287	409	287	376	362	248
Has too much power,		542	299	243	397	133	136	178	222	162	179	200	237	240	55	296	174	61
		54%	61%	47%	61%	40%	48%	60%	54%	46%	64%	55%	82%	59%	19%	79%	48%	25%
Has about the right amount of power, or		361	150	211	216	141	128	83	145	149	77	134	38	134	180	64	149	144
		36%	31%	41%	33%	43%	45%	28%	36%	42%	27%	36%	13%	33%	63%	17%	41%	58%
Has too little power,		93	37	56	39	53	19	36	37	42	23	28	12	30	51	15	34	42
		9%	8%	11%	6%	16%	7%	12%	9%	12%	8%	8%	4%	7%	18%	4%	9%	17%
(DK)/(Refused)		9	1	8	3	4	4	1	4	1	3	5	1	5	2	1	6	1
		1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	2%	0%

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QN27: Government Services vs. Taxes BY Total + Gender + Race I + Age + Education + Party I.D. + Ideology

		Gender		Race I		Age			Education			Party I.D.			Ideology			
		Total	Male	Female	White	Non-white	18-34	35-54	55+	College Grad	Some College	HS Grad or Less	Republican	Independent	Democrat	Conservative	Moderate	Liberal
Total	Unweighted n	478	263	215	370	97	77	113	279	222	143	110	170	181	115	194	168	104
	Weighted n	468	237	231	311	150	115	131	216	164	122	181	153	177	126	189	159	110
More services and taxes		89	47	42	58	28	24	26	38	44	23	22	11	29	47	13	20	53
		19%	20%	18%	19%	19%	21%	20%	18%	27%	19%	12%	7%	16%	37%	7%	12%	48%
Less services and taxes		236	111	125	177	56	56	72	106	74	72	90	118	88	24	140	72	22
		50%	47%	54%	57%	38%	48%	55%	49%	45%	59%	50%	77%	50%	19%	74%	45%	20%
As we have them now		136	75	62	74	61	36	31	68	45	24	67	24	58	51	35	64	35
		29%	32%	27%	24%	41%	31%	24%	32%	28%	20%	37%	15%	33%	40%	19%	40%	32%
(DK)/(Refused)		7	4	3	1	5	-	1	4	1	3	3	-	2	4	-	4	-
		1%	2%	1%	0%	3%	-	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%	-	1%	3%	-	2%	-