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**Results are based on telephone interviews conducted September 1-16, 2022, with a random sample of –812— 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  $\pm 4$  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 75% cell phone respondents and 25% 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 2021 Current Population Survey figures for the aged 18 and older U.S. population. Phone status targets are based on the July-December 2020 National Health Interview Survey. Population density targets are based on the 2020 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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10. As you know, our federal government is made up of three branches: an Executive branch, headed by the President; a Judicial branch, headed by the U.S. Supreme Court; and a Legislative branch, made up of the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives. First, let me ask you how much trust and confidence you have at this time in the Executive branch headed by the President, the Judicial branch headed by the US Supreme Court, and the Legislative branch, consisting of the US Senate and House of Representatives-- a great deal, a fair amount, not very much, or none at all?

**A. The Executive branch headed by the President**

	<u>Great deal</u>	<u>Fair amount</u>	<u>Not very much</u>	<u>None at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<i>Great deal/Fair amount</i>
2022 Sep 1-16	16	27	21	36	*	43
2021 Sep 1-17	17	27	24	32	*	44
2020 Aug 31-Sep 13	28	15	19	39	*	43
2019 Sep 3-15	24	21	23	32	--	45
2018 Sep 4-12	24	18	21	37	*	42
2017 Sep 6-10	21	24	23	32	*	45
2016 Sep 7-11	22	29	25	24	*	51
2015 Sep 9-13	16	29	27	28	*	45
2014 Sep 4-7	14	29	28	28	*	43
2013 Sep 5-8	18	33	23	25	1	51
2012 Sep 6-9	28	28	23	20	1	56
2011 Sep 8-11	17	30	29	23	*	47
2010 Sep 13-16	20	29	27	24	*	49
2009 Aug 31-Sep 2	26	35	22	16	1	61
2008 Sep 8-11	12	30	30	28	1	42
2007 Sep 14-16	15	28	32	24	1	43
2006 Sep 7-10	15	31	28	24	1	46
2005 Sep 12-15	19	33	30	18	*	52
2004 Sep 13-15	31	27	25	16	1	58
2003 Sep 8-10	25	35	26	14	*	60
2002 Sep 5-8	28	44	20	7	1	72
2001 Sep 7-10	21	42	28	8	1	63
2000 Jul 6-9	18	47	23	11	1	65
1999 Feb 4-8	21	43	24	11	1	64
1998 Dec 28-29	24	39	23	12	2	63
1997 May 30-Jun 1	13	49	27	9	2	62
1976 Jun	13	45	30	9	4	58
1974 Apr	12	28	36	20	3	40
1972 May	24	49	20	4	2	73

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**B. The Judicial branch, headed by the U.S. Supreme Court**

	<u>Great deal</u>	<u>Fair amount</u>	<u>Not very much</u>	<u>None at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<i>Great deal/Fair amount</i>
2022 Sep 1-16	7	40	31	22	--	47
2021 Sep 1-17	10	44	32	14	1	54
2020 Aug 31-Sep 13	17	50	26	8	--	67
2019 Sep 3-15	16	53	25	6	*	69
2018 Sep 4-12	18	50	22	9	1	68
2017 Sep 6-10	16	52	24	7	1	68
2016 Sep 7-11	12	49	28	9	1	61
2015 Sep 9-13	11	42	31	16	*	53
2014 Sep 4-7	10	51	30	9	1	61
2013 Sep 5-8	13	49	28	9	1	62
2012 Sep 6-9	14	53	27	4	2	67
2011 Sep 8-11	12	51	28	8	1	63
2010 Sep 13-16	14	52	28	5	2	66
2009 Aug 31-Sep 2	18	58	18	4	2	76
2008 Sep 8-11	14	55	23	6	3	69
2007 Sep 14-16	15	54	23	6	1	69
2006 Sep 7-10	15	54	21	7	3	69
2005 Sep 12-15	13	55	25	6	1	68
2004 Sep 13-15	14	51	27	6	2	65
2003 Sep 8-10	13	54	27	5	1	67
2002 Sep 5-8	17	58	18	5	2	75
2001 Sep 7-10	17	57	20	4	2	74
2000 Jul 6-9	23	52	18	6	1	75
1999 Feb 4-8	29	51	13	5	2	80
1998 Dec 28-29	27	51	16	4	2	78
1997 May 30-Jun 1	19	52	22	5	2	71
1976 Jun	16	47	26	6	4	63
1974 Apr	17	54	20	5	5	71
1972 May	17	49	24	7	4	66

**Q.10 (TRUST IN BRANCHES OF FEDERAL GOVERNMENT) CONTINUED**

**C. The Legislative branch, consisting of the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives**

	<u>Great deal</u>	<u>Fair amount</u>	<u>Not very much</u>	<u>None at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<i>Great deal/Fair amount</i>
2022 Sep 1-16	3	35	39	23	*	38
2021 Sep 1-17	5	32	37	25	1	37
2020 Aug 31-Sep 13	4	29	49	18	*	33
2019 Sep 3-15	4	34	44	17	1	38
2018 Sep 4-12	4	36	40	19	1	40
2017 Sep 6-10	3	32	46	18	1	35
2016 Sep 7-11	3	32	43	20	1	35
2015 Sep 9-13	3	29	45	23	*	32
2014 Sep 4-7	3	25	50	20	1	28
2013 Sep 5-8	6	28	44	22	1	34
2012 Sep 6-9	4	30	47	18	1	34
2011 Sep 8-11	5	26	50	19	*	31
2010 Sep 13-16	5	31	42	21	1	36
2009 Aug 31-Sep 2	6	39	38	17	*	45
2008 Sep 8-11	4	43	38	12	2	47
2007 Sep 14-16	5	45	36	12	1	50
2006 Sep 7-10	6	50	31	10	2	56
2005 Sep 12-15	8	54	31	6	1	62
2004 Sep 13-15	7	53	33	6	1	60
2003 Sep 8-10	8	55	31	5	1	63
2002 Sep 5-8	9	58	26	6	1	67
2001 Sep 7-10	7	58	28	6	1	65
2000 Jul 6-9	11	57	24	7	1	68
1999 Feb 4-8	8	49	34	7	2	57
1998 Dec 28-29	13	48	30	7	2	61
1997 May 30-Jun 1	6	48	36	8	2	54
1976 Jun	9	52	31	6	4	61
1974 Apr	13	55	24	4	4	68
1972 May	13	58	22	3	3	71

11. How much trust and confidence do you have in the government of the state where you live when it comes to handling state problems -- a great deal, a fair amount, not very much, or none at all?

	<u>Great deal</u>	<u>Fair amount</u>	<u>Not very much</u>	<u>None at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<i>Great deal/Fair amount</i>
2022 Sep 1-16	18	39	24	19	*	57
2021 Sep 1-17	18	39	24	19	*	57
2020 Aug 31-Sep 13	21	39	24	16	*	60
2019 Sep 3-15	20	43	26	11	*	63
2018 Sep 4-12	18	45	24	13	*	63
2017 Sep 6-10	20	43	23	14	*	63
2016 Sep 7-11	16	46	25	12	1	62
2015 Sep 9-13	15	43	29	12	1	58
2014 Sep 4-7	19	43	23	14	1	62
2012 Sep 6-9	17	48	23	11	1	65
2011 Sep 8-11	15	42	28	14	1	57
2010 Sep 13-16	11	41	29	18	1	52
2009 Aug 31-Sep 2	12	39	36	13	1	51
2008 Sep 8-11	18	49	22	10	2	67
2007 Sep 14-16	18	49	23	9	1	67
2005 Sep 12-15	17	50	26	7	*	67
2004 Sep 13-15	16	51	24	8	1	67
2003 Sep 8-10	12	41	34	12	1	53
2001 Sep 7-10	17	48	27	7	1	65
1998 Dec 28-29	29	51	15	4	1	80
1997 May 30-Jun 1	18	50	25	6	1	68
1976 Jun	13	59	19	7	2	72
1974 Apr	16	59	17	3	4	75
1972 May	15	48	27	6	3	63

12. And how much trust and confidence do you have in the local governments in the area where you live when it comes to handling local problems -- a great deal, a fair amount, not very much, or none at all?

	<u>Great deal</u>	<u>Fair amount</u>	<u>Not very much</u>	<u>None at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<i>Great deal/Fair amount</i>
2022 Sep 1-16	21	46	24	8	1	67
2021 Sep 1-17	21	45	21	13	*	66
2020 Aug 31-Sep 13	24	47	20	9	*	71
2019 Sep 3-15	24	47	21	8	1	71
2018 Sep 4-12	24	48	20	8	*	72
2017 Sep 6-10	23	47	20	9	1	70
2016 Sep 7-11	23	48	21	8	1	71
2015 Sep 9-13	19	51	20	9	1	70
2014 Sep 4-7	24	48	18	8	1	72
2013 Sep 5-8	21	50	19	9	1	71
2012 Sep 6-9	23	51	16	8	1	74
2011 Sep 8-11	19	49	21	11	1	68
2010 Sep 13-16	19	51	20	10	1	70
2009 Aug 31-Sep 2	19	50	22	8	1	69
2008 Sep 8-11	23	49	17	9	2	72
2007 Sep 14-16	22	47	19	10	2	69
2005 Sep 12-15	23	47	23	7	*	70
2004 Sep 13-15	21	47	24	7	1	68
2003 Sep 8-10	18	50	23	8	1	68
2001 Sep 7-10	19	50	20	10	1	69
1998 Dec 28-29	23	54	16	5	2	77
1997 May 30-Jun 1	21	48	21	7	2	69
1976 Jun	13	52	23	9	3	65
1974 Apr	16	55	16	8	5	71
1972 May	12	51	26	7	4	63

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**QN10A: Trust -- Executive Branch 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	812	469	335	594	195	157	216	426	358	274	176	274	333	187	331	283	178	
	Weighted n	812	400	397	529	264	213	266	318	287	228	294	241	354	198	307	293	198	
Great deal		133	61	71	73	59	19	28	81	67	33	33	4	35	89	10	48	71	
		16%	15%	18%	14%	22%	9%	11%	26%	23%	15%	11%	2%	10%	45%	3%	16%	36%	
Fair amount		217	101	116	106	106	56	90	71	86	51	80	13	118	82	41	108	65	
		27%	25%	29%	20%	40%	26%	34%	22%	30%	22%	27%	5%	33%	41%	13%	37%	33%	
Not very much		167	84	79	110	55	70	53	43	44	57	66	62	82	18	62	66	37	
		21%	21%	20%	21%	21%	33%	20%	13%	15%	25%	22%	26%	23%	9%	20%	22%	19%	
None at all		292	154	129	238	44	66	95	123	91	84	115	161	120	7	193	71	23	
		36%	38%	32%	45%	17%	31%	36%	39%	32%	37%	39%	67%	34%	4%	63%	24%	12%	
(DK)/(Refused)		2	0	2	2	-	2	-	0	-	2	-	-	0	2	-	0	2	
		0%	0%	0%	0%	-	1%	-	0%	-	1%	-	-	0%	1%	-	0%	1%	

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**QN10B: Trust -- Judicial Branch 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	812	469	335	594	195	157	216	426	358	274	176	274	333	187	331	283	178	
	Weighted n	812	400	397	529	264	213	266	318	287	228	294	241	354	198	307	293	198	
Great deal		57	34	22	41	16	8	14	31	24	16	17	28	18	9	27	19	8	
		7%	9%	5%	8%	6%	4%	5%	10%	8%	7%	6%	12%	5%	4%	9%	7%	4%	
Fair amount		324	182	142	221	98	74	125	123	102	95	126	131	146	43	169	118	32	
		40%	45%	36%	42%	37%	35%	47%	39%	35%	42%	43%	55%	41%	21%	55%	40%	16%	
Not very much		252	120	132	157	89	66	71	109	86	67	97	49	108	87	80	88	80	
		31%	30%	33%	30%	34%	31%	27%	34%	30%	30%	33%	21%	31%	44%	26%	30%	40%	
None at all		179	64	102	109	62	65	57	55	75	50	54	32	82	60	30	67	78	
		22%	16%	26%	21%	23%	30%	21%	17%	26%	22%	18%	13%	23%	30%	10%	23%	40%	

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**QN10C: Trust -- Legislative Branch 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	812	469	335	594	195	157	216	426	358	274	176	274	333	187	331	283	178
	Weighted n	812	400	397	529	264	213	266	318	287	228	294	241	354	198	307	293	198
Great deal		25	18	6	10	15	4	9	9	8	3	14	5	9	8	6	8	8
		3%	5%	2%	2%	6%	2%	4%	3%	3%	2%	5%	2%	3%	4%	2%	3%	4%
Fair amount		282	124	155	164	113	84	89	107	94	82	104	56	116	100	66	126	87
		35%	31%	39%	31%	43%	39%	33%	34%	33%	36%	35%	23%	33%	50%	22%	43%	44%
Not very much		313	153	156	221	86	78	103	128	123	88	101	106	133	71	129	113	67
		39%	38%	39%	42%	32%	37%	39%	40%	43%	39%	34%	44%	38%	36%	42%	38%	34%
None at all		190	105	77	131	50	45	65	74	62	52	75	73	95	17	105	46	33
		23%	26%	19%	25%	19%	21%	24%	23%	21%	23%	25%	30%	27%	9%	34%	16%	17%
(DK)/(Refused)		3	-	3	3	-	2	-	1	1	2	-	-	-	3	-	-	3
		0%	-	1%	0%	-	1%	-	0%	0%	1%	-	-	-	1%	-	-	1%

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**QN11: Trust -- Your State Government 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	812	469	335	594	195	157	216	426	358	274	176	274	333	187	331	283	178
	Weighted n	812	400	397	529	264	213	266	318	287	228	294	241	354	198	307	293	198
Great deal		146	79	67	101	41	28	32	83	69	38	38	44	56	41	62	44	35
		18%	20%	17%	19%	16%	13%	12%	26%	24%	17%	13%	18%	16%	21%	20%	15%	17%
Fair amount		318	146	165	206	104	81	124	110	115	97	104	92	134	86	110	124	81
		39%	37%	42%	39%	40%	38%	47%	34%	40%	43%	35%	38%	38%	43%	36%	42%	41%
Not very much		196	104	91	116	75	57	62	72	60	47	88	59	90	46	77	74	43
		24%	26%	23%	22%	28%	27%	23%	23%	21%	21%	30%	24%	25%	23%	25%	25%	22%
None at all		151	70	72	103	44	47	47	52	43	44	64	45	73	24	58	50	38
		19%	18%	18%	20%	17%	22%	18%	16%	15%	19%	22%	19%	21%	12%	19%	17%	19%
(DK)/(Refused)		2	0	2	2	-	-	-	2	0	1	0	0	1	1	-	1	0
		0%	0%	0%	0%	-	-	-	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	-	0%	0%



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**QN12: Trust -- Your Local Government 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	812	469	335	594	195	157	216	426	358	274	176	274	333	187	331	283	178
	Weighted n	812	400	397	529	264	213	266	318	287	228	294	241	354	198	307	293	198
Great deal		169	94	75	109	57	41	40	85	61	49	60	50	67	47	64	70	30
		21%	23%	19%	21%	21%	19%	15%	27%	21%	21%	20%	21%	19%	24%	21%	24%	15%
Fair amount		373	171	191	251	112	94	124	147	136	111	122	118	148	98	140	123	107
		46%	43%	48%	47%	42%	44%	47%	46%	48%	49%	42%	49%	42%	49%	46%	42%	54%
Not very much		196	103	93	124	69	58	74	63	66	47	83	55	94	46	75	72	47
		24%	26%	23%	23%	26%	27%	28%	20%	23%	21%	28%	23%	27%	23%	24%	25%	24%
None at all		69	30	35	43	24	20	28	20	23	21	25	18	45	4	25	28	12
		8%	8%	9%	8%	9%	9%	11%	6%	8%	9%	9%	7%	13%	2%	8%	10%	6%
(DK)/(Refused)		4	1	3	1	3	-	-	4	1	-	3	-	-	4	3	-	1
		1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	-	-	1%	1%	-	1%	-	-	2%	1%	-	1%