

# The Economist/YouGov Poll



Sample 1300 General Population Respondents  
Conducted September 22 - 24, 2016  
Margin of Error ±3.9%

## 1. Would you say things in this country today are...

Generally headed in the right direction ..... 25%  
Off on the wrong track ..... 65%  
Not sure ..... 10%

## 2. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of the following people?

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know
Hillary Clinton	20%	22%	15%	42%	1%
Donald Trump	17%	18%	11%	52%	1%

## 3. Do you have a good idea of which candidate you'll vote for in the presidential election in November, or are you still making up your mind?

*Asked of registered voters*

I have a good idea of who I'll vote for ..... 85%  
I'm still making up my mind ..... 11%  
I don't plan to vote in the election this November ..... 2%  
Not sure ..... 2%

**4. If the 2016 presidential election were being held today and the candidates were Hillary Clinton, the Democrat, Donald Trump, the Republican, Gary Johnson, the Libertarian, and Jill Stein, from the Green Party, for whom would you vote?**

*Registered voters only*

Hillary Clinton .....	44%
Donald Trump .....	41%
Gary Johnson .....	5%
Jill Stein .....	2%
Someone else .....	1%
Not sure yet .....	5%
Probably won't vote .....	2%

**5. Which candidate do you prefer more, Hillary Clinton or Donald Trump?**

*Asked of registered voters who would vote for Gary Johnson, Jill Stein, or someone else or are not sure yet for whom they would vote*

Hillary Clinton .....	32%
Donald Trump .....	19%
No preference .....	49%

**6. Which candidate do you prefer more, Hillary Clinton or Donald Trump?**

*Registered voters*

Hillary Clinton .....	48%
Donald Trump .....	44%
Someone else / Not sure yet / No preference .....	7%
Probably won't vote .....	2%

**7. Since Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump formally accepted their party's nomination for President, have you changed your mind about who you will vote for in the 2016 presidential election?**

*Asked of registered voters who have decided upon voting for Hillary Clinton, Donald Trump, Gary Johnson, Jill Stein or someone else*

Yes, I have changed my mind .....	20%
No, I have always supported the same candidate .....	80%

8. Who was the most recent candidate you planned to vote for before [Hillary Clinton / Donald Trump / Gary Johnson / Jill Stein]?

*Asked of those who have changed their minds about the candidate for whom they intend to vote*

Hillary Clinton	8%
Donald Trump	10%
Gary Johnson	10%
Jill Stein	4%
Someone else	59%
Not sure	8%

9. Since Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump formally accepted their party's nomination for President, have you planned to vote for a specific candidate?

*Asked of registered voters who are not sure yet about for whom they will vote*

Hillary Clinton	11%
Donald Trump	2%
Gary Johnson	5%
Jill Stein	2%
I have not planned to vote for a specific candidate in the past three months	79%

10. How do you feel about the presidential candidates listed below?

	Enthusiastic	Satisfied but not enthusiastic	Dissatisfied but not upset	Upset	Not sure
Hillary Clinton	17%	22%	20%	39%	2%
Donald Trump	18%	17%	16%	47%	2%
Gary Johnson	5%	14%	29%	10%	43%
Jill Stein	3%	12%	26%	13%	46%

11. Would you say you are mostly voting FOR Hillary Clinton or AGAINST Donald Trump?

*Asked of those who would vote for Hillary Clinton*

I'm mostly voting <u>FOR</u> Hillary Clinton	57%
I'm mostly voting <u>AGAINST</u> Donald Trump	42%
Not sure	1%

**12. Would you say you are mostly voting FOR Donald Trump or AGAINST Hillary Clinton?**

*Asked of those who would vote for Donald Trump*

I'm mostly voting <u>FOR</u> Donald Trump .....	59%
I'm mostly voting <u>AGAINST</u> Hillary Clinton .....	39%
Not sure .....	2%

**13. Would you say you are mostly voting FOR Gary Johnson, AGAINST Hillary Clinton or AGAINST Donald Trump?**

*Asked of those who would vote for Gary Johnson*

I'm mostly voting <u>FOR</u> Gary Johnson .....	63%
I'm mostly voting <u>AGAINST</u> Hillary Clinton .....	18%
I'm mostly voting <u>AGAINST</u> Donald Trump .....	13%
Not sure .....	5%

**14. Would you say you are mostly voting FOR Jill Stein, AGAINST Hillary Clinton or AGAINST Donald Trump?**

*Asked of those who would vote for Jill Stein*

I'm mostly voting <u>FOR</u> Jill Stein .....	50%
I'm mostly voting <u>AGAINST</u> Hillary Clinton .....	17%
I'm mostly voting <u>AGAINST</u> Donald Trump .....	28%
Not sure .....	4%

**15. Primary voter motivation**

I'm mostly voting <u>FOR</u> Hillary Clinton .....	27%
I'm mostly voting <u>FOR</u> Donald Trump .....	26%
I'm mostly voting <u>FOR</u> Gary Johnson .....	4%
I'm mostly voting <u>FOR</u> Jill Stein .....	1%
I'm mostly voting <u>AGAINST</u> Hillary Clinton .....	19%
I'm mostly voting <u>AGAINST</u> Donald Trump .....	21%
Not sure .....	2%

**16. Would you consider voting for Hillary Clinton?**

*Asked of registered voters*

I plan on voting for Hillary Clinton .....	44%
Might consider voting for her .....	7%
Would never vote for her .....	44%
Not sure .....	3%
Probably won't vote .....	2%

**17. Would you consider voting for Donald Trump?**

*Asked of registered voters*

I plan on voting for Donald Trump .....	41%
Might consider voting for him .....	4%
Would never vote for him .....	50%
Not sure .....	3%
Probably won't vote .....	2%

**18. Would you consider voting for Gary Johnson?**

*Asked of registered voters*

I plan on voting for Gary Johnson .....	5%
Might consider voting for him .....	25%
Would never vote for him .....	45%
Not sure .....	23%
Probably won't vote .....	2%

**19. Would you consider voting for Jill Stein?**

*Asked of registered voters*

I plan on voting for Jill Stein .....	2%
Might consider voting for her .....	21%
Would never vote for her .....	51%
Not sure .....	24%
Probably won't vote .....	2%

20. What do you think is the most likely outcome of the presidential election with Hillary Clinton as the Democratic nominee and Donald Trump as the Republican nominee?

Clinton will win in a landslide .....	15%
Clinton will win narrowly .....	35%
Trump will win narrowly .....	23%
Trump will win in a landslide .....	9%
Not sure .....	18%

21. Which of the following would best describe the state where you live?

Reliably Democratic – Hillary Clinton will win my state easily .....	23%
Leans Democratic – Hillary Clinton will probably win, but it might be close .....	18%
Battleground – it could go either way .....	22%
Leans Republican – Donald Trump will probably win, but it might be close .....	13%
Reliably Republican – Donald Trump will win my state easily .....	14%
Not sure .....	10%

22. Imagine if polls about the presidential race in your state showed the race very close, with the possibility that your state could tip the electoral college and decide the election. In this situation, for whom would you vote?

*Asked of registered voters*

Hillary Clinton .....	44%
Donald Trump .....	41%
Gary Johnson .....	4%
Jill Stein .....	2%
Someone else .....	1%
Not sure .....	6%
Probably won't vote .....	2%

23. Are you better off now than you were eight years ago?

Better off now .....	28%
Better off eight years ago .....	37%
No difference .....	28%
Not sure .....	6%

24. How important will the following issues be in your vote for president this year?

*Asked of likely voters*

	Very important	Somewhat important	Not very important	Not at all important	Not sure
Income inequality	42%	31%	17%	9%	1%
Social Security	67%	24%	7%	1%	1%
Climate change	36%	26%	17%	20%	1%
Health care	70%	23%	5%	1%	1%
Immigration reform	55%	32%	9%	2%	1%
Gun control	52%	20%	13%	13%	1%
Fighting terrorism	69%	23%	6%	2%	1%
Job creation	66%	29%	4%	1%	1%
National security	71%	24%	3%	1%	1%
Religious liberty	42%	28%	16%	12%	2%

25. Which of these is the most important issue for you?

*Asked of likely voters*

Income inequality	8%
Social Security	19%
Climate change	5%
Health care	11%
Immigration reform	9%
Gun control	6%
Fighting terrorism	13%
Job creation	9%
National security	16%
Religious liberty	6%

26. How much do you think Hillary Clinton cares about the needs and problems of people like you?

A lot .....	22%
Some .....	24%
Not much .....	16%
Doesn't care at all .....	34%
Not sure .....	4%

27. Do you think Hillary Clinton is honest and trustworthy, or not?

Honest and trustworthy .....	30%
Not honest and trustworthy .....	57%
Not sure .....	12%

28. Regardless of your overall opinion of Hillary Clinton, do you feel she has the qualifications to be president?

Qualified to be president .....	55%
Not qualified to be president .....	37%
Not sure .....	8%

29. Regardless of your overall opinion of Hillary Clinton, do you think she is in good enough physical condition to serve effectively as president for the next four years?

Physical condition is good enough .....	45%
Physical condition not good enough .....	37%
Not sure .....	18%

30. Would you say Hillary Clinton is a strong or a weak leader?

Very strong .....	25%
Somewhat strong .....	31%
Somewhat weak .....	21%
Very weak .....	24%

**31. Do you think Hillary Clinton is ready to be Commander-in-Chief?**

Ready .....	48%
Not ready .....	43%
Not sure .....	9%

**32. Are you confident or uneasy about the following presidential candidates' ability to deal wisely with terrorism?**

Confident .....	38%
Uneasy .....	49%
Not sure .....	13%

**33. Are you confident or uneasy about Hillary Clinton's ability handle the economy?**

Confident .....	40%
Uneasy .....	49%
Not sure .....	11%

**34. Are you confident or uneasy about Hillary Clinton's ability to deal wisely with immigration?**

Confident .....	40%
Uneasy .....	50%
Not sure .....	9%

**35. Over the course of the presidential campaign do you think Hillary Clinton has maintained consistent domestic policy positions or has she made significant changes to her domestic policy plans?**

Maintained consistent domestic policy positions .....	41%
Made significant changes to her domestic policy plans .....	30%
Not sure .....	29%

36. When Hillary Clinton talks about trying to improve the lives of African-Americans, do you think she really means it, or is she just trying to win votes?

Really means it .....	30%
Just trying to win votes .....	46%
Both equally .....	17%
Not sure .....	7%

37. Would you use the words below to describe Hillary Clinton?

	Yes	No	Not sure
Capable	55%	35%	10%
Hard worker	65%	26%	10%
Successful	73%	20%	7%
Dangerous	43%	48%	8%
Crazy	29%	61%	10%
Corrupt	51%	35%	14%
Evil	35%	56%	10%
Patriotic	51%	36%	13%
Religious	20%	45%	34%
Tough	59%	32%	9%
Smart	74%	19%	7%
Compassionate	41%	46%	14%
Racist	24%	58%	18%
Bigoted	28%	52%	21%

38. How much do you think Donald Trump cares about the needs and problems of people like you?

A lot .....	20%
Some .....	17%
Not much .....	19%
Doesn't care at all .....	42%
Not sure .....	2%

**39. Do you think Donald Trump is honest and trustworthy, or not?**

Honest and trustworthy .....	31%
Not honest and trustworthy .....	58%
Not sure .....	11%

**40. Regardless of your overall opinion of Donald Trump, do you feel he has the qualifications to be president?**

Qualified to be president .....	32%
Not qualified to be president .....	59%
Not sure .....	9%

**41. Regardless of your overall opinion of Donald Trump, do you think he is in good enough physical condition to serve effectively as president for the next four years?**

Physical condition is good enough .....	65%
Physical condition not good enough .....	14%
Not sure .....	21%

**42. Would you say Donald Trump is a strong or a weak leader?**

Very strong .....	28%
Somewhat strong .....	27%
Somewhat weak .....	17%
Very weak .....	28%

**43. Do you think Donald Trump is ready to be Commander-in-Chief?**

Ready .....	31%
Not ready .....	61%
Not sure .....	8%

44. Are you confident or uneasy about the following presidential candidates' ability to deal wisely with terrorism?

Confident .....	30%
Uneasy .....	60%
Not sure .....	10%

45. Are you confident or uneasy about Donald Trump's ability handle the economy?

Confident .....	38%
Uneasy .....	55%
Not sure .....	8%

46. Are you confident or uneasy about Donald Trump's ability to deal wisely with immigration?

Confident .....	36%
Uneasy .....	58%
Not sure .....	7%

47. Over the course of the presidential campaign do you think Donald Trump has maintained consistent domestic policy positions or has he made significant changes to his domestic policy plans?

Maintained consistent domestic policy positions .....	28%
Made significant changes to his domestic policy plans .....	45%
Not sure .....	26%

48. When Donald Trump talks about trying to improve the lives of African-Americans, do you think he really means it, or is he just trying to win votes?

Really means it .....	22%
Just trying to win votes .....	55%
Both equally .....	15%
Not sure .....	8%

49. Would you use the words below to describe Donald Trump?

	Yes	No	Not sure
Capable	43%	48%	9%
Hard worker	60%	32%	8%
Successful	67%	24%	8%
Dangerous	60%	33%	8%
Crazy	53%	38%	8%
Corrupt	50%	38%	13%
Evil	38%	50%	12%
Patriotic	52%	34%	14%
Religious	14%	55%	31%
Tough	64%	28%	7%
Smart	56%	33%	11%
Compassionate	27%	60%	12%
Racist	49%	38%	13%
Bigoted	48%	36%	16%

50. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of the following people?

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know
Bill Clinton	23%	26%	16%	29%	5%
Bernie Sanders	31%	28%	17%	16%	8%
Michelle Obama	42%	18%	11%	25%	5%
Melania Trump	16%	21%	21%	21%	21%
Gary Johnson	7%	23%	20%	12%	38%
Jill Stein	4%	19%	20%	15%	42%
Evan McMullin	2%	7%	8%	6%	76%
Tim Kaine	12%	19%	14%	17%	37%
Mike Pence	15%	23%	13%	19%	30%

51. Compared to how the news media has covered other elections in your lifetime, do you think the news media has done better or worse than usual in 2016?

Better than usual	8%
Worse than usual	58%
About the same as usual	26%
Don't know	7%

52. Do you think the presidential debates this year will be more or less interesting than usual?

More interesting	62%
Less interesting	13%
About the same	17%
Not sure	8%

53. The first presidential debate between Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton will take place on Monday, September 26. Do you think you will watch it?

Definitely will	41%
Probably will	27%
Probably not	13%
Definitely not	12%
Not sure	7%

54. How much of the first presidential debate are you planning to watch?

*Asked of those who plan on watching the debate*

All	34%
Most	25%
Less than half	6%
Just a few minutes	3%
Don't think will watch	25%
Not sure will watch	7%

55. No matter how much of these debates that you plan to watch, how important will these debates be to your decision on who to vote for President?

*Asked of registered voters*

Extremely important .....	10%
Very important .....	9%
Somewhat important .....	18%
A little important .....	18%
Not at all important .....	45%

56. Who do you think will do better in the debate?

Hillary Clinton .....	41%
Donald Trump .....	29%
Don't know .....	30%

57. Who do you believe is more likely to misstate facts?

Hillary Clinton .....	20%
Donald Trump .....	41%
Both are equally likely to misstate facts .....	32%
Don't know .....	6%

58. Do you think the debates will affect the outcome of the election?

Yes .....	42%
No .....	25%
Not sure .....	33%

59. There has been some discussion about how the moderators should behave during the debates. Which comes closer to your view:

Moderators should try to correct the participants if they say something untrue .....	47%
Moderators should leave it to the participants to correct each other .....	36%
Not sure .....	18%

**60. What do you think are the chances of a major terrorist attack against the United States in the next 12 months?**

Very likely (more than 50%) .....	33%
Somewhat likely (10% to 50%) .....	37%
Not very likely (1% to 10%) .....	16%
Very unlikely (less than 1%) .....	6%
Not sure .....	8%

**61. What do you think are the chances of a major terrorist attack against your local community in the next 12 months?**

Very likely (more than 50%) .....	5%
Somewhat likely (10% to 50%) .....	19%
Not very likely (1% to 10%) .....	34%
Very unlikely (less than 1%) .....	33%
Not sure .....	9%

**62. How concerned are you that you or one of your loved ones will be the victim of a major terrorist attack?**

Very concerned .....	14%
Somewhat concerned .....	29%
Not too concerned .....	34%
Not concerned at all .....	22%

**63. How serious a problem is crime in the United States?**

Very serious .....	53%
Somewhat serious .....	33%
A minor problem .....	11%
Not a problem .....	2%
Not sure .....	2%

**64. How serious a problem is crime in your local community?**

Very serious .....	21%
Somewhat serious .....	32%
A minor problem .....	34%
Not a problem .....	11%
Not sure .....	3%

**65. How concerned are you that you or one of your loved ones will be the victim of a crime?**

Very concerned .....	20%
Somewhat concerned .....	39%
Not too concerned .....	31%
Not concerned at all .....	9%

**66. How serious a problem is unemployment in the United States?**

Very serious .....	43%
Somewhat serious .....	39%
A minor problem .....	12%
Not a problem .....	3%
Not sure .....	3%

**67. How serious a problem is unemployment in your local community?**

Very serious .....	27%
Somewhat serious .....	33%
A minor problem .....	25%
Not a problem .....	8%
Not sure .....	6%

**68. How concerned are you that you or one of your loved ones will lose their job?**

Very concerned	20%
Somewhat concerned	33%
Not too concerned	29%
Not concerned at all	17%

**69. How serious a problem is ILLEGAL immigration in the United States?**

Very serious	45%
Somewhat serious	25%
A minor problem	22%
Not a problem	5%
Not sure	3%

**70. How serious a problem is ILLEGAL immigration in your LOCAL community?**

Very serious	18%
Somewhat serious	22%
A minor problem	27%
Not a problem	25%
Not sure	9%

**71. How concerned are you that you or one of your loved ones will be harmed by an illegal immigrant?**

Very concerned	9%
Somewhat concerned	24%
Not too concerned	33%
Not concerned at all	33%

72. As of mid-September, 79 non-travel associated cases of Zika have been found in areas of Miami. How concerned are you about a Zika virus epidemic in the United States?

Very concerned	20%
Somewhat concerned	43%
Not too concerned	28%
Not concerned at all	9%

73. How concerned are you about a Zika virus epidemic in your local community?

Very concerned	14%
Somewhat concerned	26%
Not too concerned	35%
Not concerned at all	25%

74. Congress must pass legislation to fund the government annually by October 1 or else the government will shut down. While talks are ongoing, no such legislation has been passed. Congress can temporarily fund the government at its current level until final legislation is passed. Do you think Congress should or should not fund the government at the current level in order to keep the government open after Oct. 1?

Should fund the government at the current level	56%
Should not fund the government at the current level	20%
Not sure	24%

75. Do you care if the government shuts down for a period of time to come to an agreement on annual funding legislation?

Yes, I care	59%
No, I don't care	26%
Not sure	16%

**76. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of Merrick Garland?**

Very favorable .....	9%
Somewhat favorable .....	16%
Somewhat unfavorable .....	9%
Very unfavorable .....	5%
Don't know .....	61%

**77. As you may know, Merrick Garland is the federal judge President Obama nominated to serve on the Supreme Court to fill the vacancy left by the death of Antonin Scalia. Do you think the Senate should or should not confirm Judge Garland?**

Should confirm .....	40%
Should not confirm .....	28%
Not sure .....	32%

**78. If Hillary Clinton wins the presidential election this year and the Senate has failed to act on Merrick Garland's nomination, do you think she should continue Merrick Garland's nomination or should she nominate someone else?**

Continue Merrick Garland's nomination .....	32%
Nominate someone else .....	29%
Not sure .....	39%

**79. If there is a "lame duck" session of Congress, the Senate could act on Merrick Garland's nomination. If Hillary Clinton wins the presidential election, do you think the Senate should confirm Merrick Garland or should it wait to act until Hillary Clinton takes office and decides whether or not to continue with his nomination?**

Confirm Merrick Garland during a lame duck session .....	32%
Wait to act until Hillary Clinton assumes takes office .....	35%
Not sure .....	33%

80. How important are the following issues to you?

	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not very Important	Unimportant
The economy	73%	24%	2%	1%
Immigration	49%	34%	14%	3%
The environment	47%	32%	15%	5%
Terrorism	63%	25%	8%	3%
Gay rights	26%	28%	22%	24%
Education	62%	29%	7%	2%
Health care	71%	23%	5%	1%
Social security	67%	24%	7%	1%
The budget deficit	53%	34%	10%	3%
The war in Afghanistan	36%	45%	15%	5%
Taxes	56%	34%	9%	1%
Medicare	64%	26%	8%	2%
Abortion	34%	31%	22%	13%
Foreign policy	48%	41%	9%	2%
Gun control	54%	23%	15%	7%
International trade and globalization	37%	47%	13%	3%
Use of military force	47%	39%	10%	3%

81. Which of these is the most important issue for you?

The economy	15%
Immigration	8%
The environment	6%
Terrorism	14%
Gay rights	2%
Education	7%
Health care	10%
Social security	18%
The budget deficit	4%
The war in Afghanistan	1%
Taxes	3%
Medicare	2%
Abortion	3%
Foreign policy	2%
Gun control	6%

82. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of the following people?

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know
Barack Obama	38%	16%	11%	33%	2%
Joe Biden	28%	24%	14%	23%	12%
Paul Ryan	8%	25%	23%	23%	21%
Mitch McConnell	4%	14%	21%	29%	33%
Nancy Pelosi	9%	19%	15%	32%	24%
Harry Reid	7%	17%	16%	26%	34%

**83. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the political parties?**

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know
The Democratic Party	19%	25%	17%	32%	6%
The Republican Party	9%	22%	25%	38%	6%

**84. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President?**

Strongly Approve	29%
Somewhat Approve	24%
Somewhat Disapprove	12%
Strongly Disapprove	33%
Not Sure	2%

**85. Would you say Barack Obama is...**

Very liberal	31%
Liberal	24%
Moderate	27%
Conservative	7%
Very conservative	3%
Not sure	9%

**86. Would you say Barack Obama is a strong or a weak leader?**

Very strong	28%
Somewhat strong	27%
Somewhat weak	16%
Very weak	29%

**87. Do you think Barack Obama...**

Says what he believes .....	54%
Says what he thinks people want to hear .....	37%
Not sure .....	9%

**88. Regardless of whether you agree with him, do you like Barack Obama as a person?**

Like a lot .....	44%
Like somewhat .....	21%
Dislike .....	29%
Not sure .....	6%

**89. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling these specific issues?**

	Strongly approve	Somewhat approve	Somewhat disapprove	Strongly disapprove	No opinion
Abortion	20%	21%	13%	24%	22%
The war in Afghanistan	14%	27%	19%	29%	11%
The budget deficit	17%	25%	14%	32%	12%
The economy	24%	25%	16%	30%	5%
Education	20%	30%	16%	22%	13%
The environment	21%	31%	16%	20%	11%
Foreign policy	17%	25%	16%	32%	10%
Gay rights	30%	19%	13%	26%	13%
Gun control	17%	24%	18%	33%	8%
Health care	23%	21%	14%	37%	5%
Immigration	18%	22%	15%	37%	8%
Medicare	18%	28%	14%	27%	13%
Social security	18%	25%	18%	25%	15%
Taxes	15%	29%	16%	26%	13%
Terrorism	21%	23%	13%	34%	8%

90. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way that the United States Congress is handling its job?

Strongly approve .....	4%
Somewhat approve .....	9%
Neither approve nor disapprove .....	18%
Somewhat disapprove .....	23%
Strongly disapprove .....	38%
Not sure .....	8%

91. Do you approve or disapprove of the way the member of the U.S. House of Representatives that represents your Congressional district is handling his or her job?

Strongly approve .....	8%
Somewhat approve .....	17%
Neither approve nor disapprove .....	22%
Somewhat disapprove .....	17%
Strongly disapprove .....	19%
Not sure .....	18%

92. If the election for Congress were being held today, and you had to make a choice, would you be voting for...

*Asked of registered voters*

The Democratic Party candidate .....	43%
The Republican Party candidate .....	38%
Other .....	2%
Not sure .....	13%
I would not vote .....	3%

93. About how often do you vote for the Democratic Party candidate for Congress?

*Asked of registered voters*

Always .....	18%
Usually, but not always .....	21%
About half the time .....	12%
Sometimes, but not often .....	26%
Never .....	22%

**94. About how often do you vote for the Republican Party candidate for Congress?**

*Asked of registered voters*

Always .....	14%
Usually, but not always .....	25%
About half the time .....	13%
Sometimes, but not often .....	22%
Never .....	26%

**95. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Paul Ryan is handling his job as Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives?**

Strongly approve .....	6%
Somewhat approve .....	27%
Somewhat disapprove .....	22%
Strongly disapprove .....	21%
Not sure .....	23%

**96. Would you say Paul Ryan is a strong or a weak leader?**

Very strong .....	7%
Somewhat strong .....	42%
Somewhat weak .....	35%
Very weak .....	15%

**97. Do you think Paul Ryan is too conservative or not conservative enough?**

Too conservative .....	26%
About right .....	30%
Not conservative enough .....	17%
Not sure .....	27%

**98. Do you think Paul Ryan has been a more successful or less successful Speaker of the House than John Boehner?**

More successful than John Boehner .....	18%
About the same .....	40%
Less successful than John Boehner .....	16%
Not sure .....	27%

**99. Do you think the current Congress has accomplished more or less than Congress usually does at this point in its two-year term?**

More than usual .....	5%
About the same .....	33%
Less than usual .....	45%
Not sure .....	18%

**100. Who is more to blame for Congress achieving less than usual?**

*Asked if respondent says Congress accomplished less than usual*

Democrats in Congress .....	10%
Republicans in Congress .....	50%
Both equally .....	37%
Neither .....	1%
Not sure .....	2%

**101. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the following groups in Congress?**

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know
Democrats in Congress	14%	28%	18%	31%	10%
Republicans in Congress	6%	20%	26%	38%	10%

102. Are the two U.S. Senators who represent your state...

Both Democrats .....	25%
Both Republicans .....	17%
One is a Democrat and the other is a Republican .....	20%
One is a Democrat and the other is an Independent .....	2%
One is a Republican and the other is an Independent .....	1%
Not sure .....	35%

103. Is the member of Congress who represents your district a...

Democrat .....	32%
Republican .....	33%
Independent .....	3%
Not sure .....	32%

104. If the election were being held today and the member of Congress who represents your district was running, would you...

*Asked of registered voters*

Definitely vote <u>FOR</u> your member of Congress .....	23%
Probably vote <u>FOR</u> your member of Congress .....	21%
Probably vote <u>AGAINST</u> your member of Congress .....	11%
Definitely vote <u>AGAINST</u> your member of Congress .....	16%
Not sure .....	29%

105. Overall, do you think the economy is getting better or worse?

Getting better .....	23%
About the same .....	31%
Getting worse .....	41%
Not sure .....	5%

106. Do you think the stock market will be higher or lower 12 months from now?

Higher .....	19%
About the same .....	30%
Lower .....	24%
Not sure .....	26%

107. Would you say that you and your family are...

Better off financially than you were a year ago .....	18%
About the same financially as you were a year ago .....	44%
Worse off financially than you were a year ago .....	33%
Not sure .....	5%

108. Six months from now do you think there will be...

More jobs .....	21%
The same amount of jobs .....	41%
Fewer jobs .....	20%
Not sure .....	18%

109. How worried are you about losing your job?

Very worried .....	9%
Somewhat worried .....	34%
Not very worried .....	56%

110. If you lost your job, how hard would it be for you to find a new job that paid as much as you are making now?

Very hard – I would probably have to take a pay cut. ....	30%
Somewhat hard – It might take a while before I found a job that paid as much. .....	41%
Not very hard .....	24%
Not sure .....	5%

**111. How happy would you say you are with your current job?**

Very happy .....	24%
Happy .....	38%
Neither happy nor unhappy .....	28%
Unhappy .....	6%
Very unhappy .....	3%

**112. Some people seem to follow what’s going on in government and public affairs most of the time, whether there’s an election going on or not. Others aren’t that interested. Would you say you follow what’s going on in government and public affairs ... ?**

Most of the time .....	49%
Some of the time .....	29%
Only now and then .....	13%
Hardly at all .....	8%
Don’t know .....	1%

**113. In general, how would you describe your own political viewpoint?**

Liberal .....	24%
Moderate .....	39%
Conservative .....	35%
Not sure .....	1%

**114. Thinking about politics these days, how would you describe your own political viewpoint?**

Very liberal .....	6%
Liberal .....	18%
Moderate .....	39%
Conservative .....	30%
Very Conservative .....	5%
Not sure .....	1%

115. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a ...?

Democrat .....	33%
Republican .....	24%
Independent .....	39%
Other .....	4%

116. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a ...?

Strong Democrat .....	19%
Not very strong Democrat .....	14%
Lean Democrat .....	12%
Independent .....	14%
Lean Republican .....	12%
Not very strong Republican .....	12%
Strong Republican .....	12%
Not sure .....	5%

117. Would you describe yourself as a libertarian?

Yes .....	15%
No .....	56%
Not sure .....	29%

118. Would you describe yourself as a progressive?

Yes .....	34%
No .....	38%
Not sure .....	29%

119. Generally speaking, do you support or oppose the goals of the Tea Party movement?

Strongly support	8%
Somewhat support	16%
Neither support, nor oppose	21%
Somewhat oppose	10%
Strongly oppose	26%
Not sure	19%

120. Do you think of yourself as a part of the Tea Party movement?

Yes	9%
No	72%
Not Sure	19%

121. Are you registered to vote?

Registered	73%
Not registered	27%

122. How likely is it that you will vote in the 2016 Presidential election in November?

Definitely will vote	60%
Probably will vote	11%
Maybe will vote	6%
Probably will not vote	7%
Definitely will not vote	13%
Don't know	3%

**123. If an election for president was going to be held now, would you vote for...**

*Asked of registered voters*

The Democratic Party candidate .....	50%
The Republican Party candidate .....	38%
Other .....	5%
Not sure .....	6%
I would not vote .....	1%

**124. Are you male or female?**

Male .....	48%
Female .....	52%

**125. Respondent age by category**

Under 30 .....	21%
30-44 .....	21%
45-64 .....	37%
65+ .....	21%

**126. What racial or ethnic group best describes you?**

White .....	68%
Black .....	13%
Hispanic .....	12%
Other .....	7%

**127. What is the highest level of education you have completed?**

HS or less .....	41%
Some college .....	34%
College grad .....	15%
Postgrad .....	9%

128. What is your marital status?

Married .....	48%
Separated .....	3%
Divorced .....	10%
Widowed .....	7%
Single .....	28%
Domestic partnership .....	3%

129. Are you the parent or guardian of any children under the age of 18?

Yes .....	27%
No .....	73%

130. Calculated from respondent's state of residence

Northeast .....	19%
Midwest .....	22%
South .....	38%
West .....	21%

131. How would you describe the place where you live?

City .....	34%
Suburb .....	33%
Town .....	12%
Rural area .....	19%
Other .....	1%

132. Which of the following best describes your current employment status?

Full-time employed .....	32%
Part-time employed .....	10%
Self-employed .....	-
Unemployed or temporarily on layoff .....	10%
Retired .....	27%
Permanently disabled .....	11%
Homemaker .....	8%
Other .....	2%

133. Thinking back over the last year, what was your family’s annual income?

Under \$50K .....	49%
\$50-100K .....	26%
\$100K or more .....	11%
Prefer not to say .....	14%

134. We’d like to know whether you or someone in your immediate family is currently serving or has ever served in the U.S. military. Immediate family is defined as your parents, siblings, spouse, and children. Please check all boxes that apply.

I am .....	2%
Family member .....	10%
I served previously .....	11%
Family served previously .....	41%
None .....	46%

135. Are you or is someone in your household a member of a labor union?

Yes, I am .....	6%
Yes, household member is .....	8%
No .....	86%

**136. How important is religion in your life?**

Very important .....	38%
Somewhat important .....	29%
Not too important .....	14%
Not at all important .....	19%

**137. Aside from weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services?**

More than once a week .....	8%
Once a week .....	16%
Once or twice a month .....	8%
A few times a year .....	16%
Seldom .....	24%
Never .....	27%
Don't know .....	1%

**138. Would you describe yourself as a "born-again" or evangelical Christian, or not?**

Yes .....	33%
No .....	67%

**139. People practice their religion in different ways. Outside of attending religious services, how often do you pray?**

Several times a day .....	27%
Once a day .....	17%
A few times a week .....	14%
Once a week .....	3%
A few times a month .....	7%
Seldom .....	13%
Never .....	17%
Don't know .....	3%

140. What is your present religion, if any?

Protestant .....	38%
Roman Catholic .....	18%
Mormon .....	1%
Eastern or Greek Orthodox .....	1%
Jewish .....	3%
Muslim .....	1%
Buddhist .....	1%
Hindu .....	0%
Atheist .....	4%
Agnostic .....	6%
Nothing in particular .....	19%
Something else .....	7%

# The Economist/YouGov Poll



<b>Sponsorship</b>	<i>The Economist</i>
<b>Fieldwork</b>	YouGov
<b>Interviewing Dates</b>	September 22 - 24, 2016
<b>Target population</b>	U.S. citizens, aged 18 and over.
<b>Sampling method</b>	Respondents were selected from YouGov's opt-in Internet panel using sample matching. A random sample (stratified by gender, age, race, education, and region) was selected from the 2014 American Community Study. Voter registration was imputed from the November 2014 Current Population Survey Registration and Voting Supplement.
<b>Weighting</b>	The sample was weighted using propensity scores based on gender, age, race, education, voter registration, and political ideology. The weights range from 0.1 to 6.2, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 1.02.
<b>Number of respondents</b>	1300
<b>Margin of error</b>	± 3.9% (adjusted for weighting)
<b>Survey mode</b>	Web-based interviews
<b>Questions not reported</b>	44 questions not reported.