

# The Economist/YouGov Poll (Registered Voters) **YouGov**<sup>®</sup>

Sample 4171 Registered Voters

Conducted November 4 - 7, 2016

Margin of Error  $\pm 1.8\%$

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

Generally headed in the right direction .....	29%
Off on the wrong track .....	62%
Not sure .....	9%

## 2. When you think about your personal situation, would you say that you are...

Optimistic about the future .....	47%
Pessimistic about the future .....	34%
Neither .....	18%

## 3. What comes closest to your view about the state of the country?

Things are terrible and we need radical change .....	46%
Lots of things could be improved, but these just require adjustment, not fundamental changes .....	48%
Things are good and we should keep on the same path .....	6%

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

Better off now .....	34%
Better off eight years ago .....	37%
No difference .....	23%
Not sure .....	6%

5. Would you say there is too much or too little democracy in America?

Too much	12%
About the right amount	28%
Too little	44%
Don't know	16%

6. How much do you care about who wins the Presidential election on Tuesday?

Don't care very much	8%
Care a good deal	89%
Don't know	4%

7. Are you planning to vote in the election on November 8?

Yes	62%
No	2%
Not sure	3%
Already voted	33%
Not registered to vote	-

8. How likely are you to vote in the election?

*Asked of those who are planning to vote in the election on November 8 or are not sure*

Already voted	33%
Certain to vote	57%
Probably will vote	6%
Maybe will vote	2%
Unlikely to vote	0%
Not voting	2%

**9. Method of voting**

Early .....	20%
Absentee .....	22%
Precinct .....	54%
Non-voter .....	2%
Don't know .....	1%

**10. 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	24%	18%	9%	47%	1%
Donald Trump	21%	17%	10%	51%	1%

**11. Who [did/will] you vote for in the election for President?**

Hillary Clinton (Democrat) .....	45%
Donald Trump (Republican) .....	41%
Gary Johnson (Libertarian) .....	5%
Jill Stein (Green) .....	2%
Other .....	3%
Not sure .....	5%

**12. 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 .....	26%
Donald Trump .....	24%
No preference .....	51%

**13. 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%

**14. Who do you think your spouse will vote for?**

*Asked of those who are married or in a domestic partnership*

Hillary Clinton (Democrat) .....	37%
Donald Trump (Republican) .....	45%
Gary Johnson (Libertarian) .....	3%
Jill Stein (Green) .....	1%
Someone else .....	2%
Not sure .....	6%
Probably won't vote .....	6%

**15. How many of your friends and family members do you think will be voting for the same candidate as you?**

*Asked of registered voters who will vote for a presidential candidate*

Pretty much all of them .....	29%
Most of them .....	34%
About half of them .....	15%
Less than half of them .....	6%
Very few, if any of them .....	6%
Not sure .....	11%

**16. Regardless of how you [are voting/voted], who do you think is most likely to win the election for President?**

Hillary Clinton .....	51%
Donald Trump .....	26%
Not sure .....	23%

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

	Enthusiastic	Satisfied but not enthusiastic	Dissatisfied but not upset	Upset	Not sure
Hillary Clinton	21%	20%	12%	45%	2%
Donald Trump	22%	14%	14%	47%	3%

18. 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 .....	62%
I'm mostly voting <u>AGAINST</u> Donald Trump .....	36%
Not sure .....	2%

19. 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 .....	51%
I'm mostly voting <u>AGAINST</u> Hillary Clinton .....	47%
Not sure .....	1%

20. If you could choose the outcome in Tuesday's election, what would you most prefer the result to be?

Clinton as President with a Democratic Congress .....	42%
Trump as President with a Republican Congress .....	39%
Clinton as President with a Republican Congress .....	6%
Trump as President with a Democratic Congress .....	4%
None of these .....	10%

21. If these were your only choices, which would you pick?

Clinton as President with a Democratic Congress .....	33%
Trump as President with a Republican Congress .....	30%
Clinton as President with a Republican Congress .....	21%
Trump as President with a Democratic Congress .....	16%

22. If Hillary Clinton is elected President, do you think there will be more or less partisanship in Washington, or do you think it remain about the same?

More partisanship .....	35%
Less partisanship .....	19%
Remain about the same .....	30%
Not sure .....	16%

23. If Donald Trump is elected President, do you think there will be more or less partisanship in Washington, or do you think it remain about the same?

More partisanship .....	33%
Less partisanship .....	28%
Remain about the same .....	18%
Not sure .....	21%

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

A lot .....	25%
Some .....	21%
Not much .....	12%
Doesn't care at all .....	40%
Not sure .....	2%

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

Honest and trustworthy .....	29%
Not honest and trustworthy .....	58%
Not sure .....	13%

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

Qualified to be president .....	54%
Not qualified to be president .....	40%
Not sure .....	6%

27. Do you think Hillary Clinton has the temperament to be the President?

Yes .....	53%
No .....	40%
Not sure .....	7%

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

A lot .....	24%
Some .....	18%
Not much .....	11%
Doesn't care at all .....	44%
Not sure .....	3%

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

Honest and trustworthy .....	34%
Not honest and trustworthy .....	55%
Not sure .....	12%

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

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

31. Do you think Donald Trump has the temperament to be the President?

Yes ..... 33%  
 No ..... 57%  
 Not sure ..... 10%

32. How important are the following issues to you?

	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not very Important	Unimportant
The economy	78%	20%	2%	0%
Immigration	55%	32%	10%	3%
The environment	45%	34%	15%	7%
Terrorism	66%	25%	7%	2%
Gay rights	23%	29%	24%	24%
Education	59%	33%	6%	2%
Health care	75%	21%	3%	1%
Social security	68%	25%	6%	1%
The budget deficit	56%	32%	10%	2%
The war in Afghanistan	38%	43%	15%	4%
Taxes	60%	33%	6%	1%
Medicare	62%	29%	7%	2%
Abortion	39%	32%	19%	10%
Foreign policy	53%	38%	7%	2%
Gun control	54%	25%	12%	9%
International trade and globalization	41%	44%	12%	3%
Use of military force	51%	39%	8%	2%



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

The economy .....	21%
Immigration .....	8%
The environment .....	7%
Terrorism .....	10%
Gay rights .....	1%
Education .....	5%
Health care .....	11%
Social security .....	14%
The budget deficit .....	5%
The war in Afghanistan .....	0%
Taxes .....	3%
Medicare .....	3%
Abortion .....	4%
Foreign policy .....	2%
Gun control .....	5%

34. 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	37%	14%	10%	38%	1%
Joe Biden	30%	21%	15%	25%	9%
Paul Ryan	7%	24%	24%	28%	16%
Mitch McConnell	3%	14%	20%	35%	29%
Nancy Pelosi	11%	20%	11%	40%	18%
Harry Reid	9%	17%	12%	34%	28%

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

Strongly Approve .....	30%
Somewhat Approve .....	19%
Somewhat Disapprove .....	11%
Strongly Disapprove .....	38%
Not Sure .....	2%

36. Would you say Barack Obama is...

Very liberal .....	36%
Liberal .....	26%
Moderate .....	20%
Conservative .....	4%
Very conservative .....	2%
Not sure .....	11%

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

Very strong .....	27%
Somewhat strong .....	24%
Somewhat weak .....	16%
Very weak .....	33%

38. Do you think Barack Obama...

Says what he believes .....	49%
Says what he thinks people want to hear .....	43%
Not sure .....	8%

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

Like a lot .....	43%
Like somewhat .....	20%
Dislike .....	30%
Not sure .....	7%

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40. 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	23%	20%	11%	29%	17%
The war in Afghanistan	14%	25%	20%	32%	9%
The budget deficit	18%	22%	12%	39%	9%
The economy	25%	22%	13%	35%	6%
Education	20%	27%	15%	28%	10%
The environment	22%	27%	14%	26%	11%
Foreign policy	19%	24%	13%	37%	8%
Gay rights	29%	21%	10%	27%	13%
Gun control	19%	22%	14%	37%	7%
Health care	23%	20%	10%	44%	4%
Immigration	19%	23%	12%	40%	6%
Medicare	19%	23%	15%	30%	13%
Social security	18%	24%	15%	30%	14%
Taxes	16%	26%	15%	33%	10%
Terrorism	20%	24%	12%	37%	7%

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

Strongly approve	3%
Somewhat approve	8%
Neither approve nor disapprove	16%
Somewhat disapprove	23%
Strongly disapprove	42%
Not sure	8%

42. 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 .....	18%
Neither approve nor disapprove .....	20%
Somewhat disapprove .....	17%
Strongly disapprove .....	23%
Not sure .....	14%

43. 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 .....	44%
The Republican Party candidate .....	41%
Other .....	2%
Not sure .....	11%
I would not vote .....	2%

44. What is your preference for the outcome of this year's congressional elections?

Congress controlled by Democrats .....	44%
Congress controlled by Republicans .....	44%
Not sure .....	13%

45. 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 .....	7%
Somewhat approve .....	25%
Somewhat disapprove .....	23%
Strongly disapprove .....	27%
Not sure .....	19%

46. 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 .....	3%
About the same .....	29%
Less than usual .....	52%
Not sure .....	16%

47. Assuming the Republican Party retains majority control of the US House of Representatives, would you Prefer Paul Ryan remain the Speaker of the House or a different Republican is more conservative or less conservative than Paul Ryan?

Paul Ryan remain Speaker of the House .....	24%
A Speaker who is more conservative than Paul Ryan .....	22%
A Speaker who is less conservative than Paul Ryan .....	28%
Not sure .....	27%

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

*Asked if respondent says Congress accomplished less than usual*

Democrats in Congress .....	11%
Republicans in Congress .....	49%
Both equally .....	36%
Neither .....	1%
Not sure .....	2%

49. Do you think the next Congress will accomplish more or less than this Congress has?

More than usual .....	16%
About the same .....	37%
Less than usual .....	10%
Not sure .....	36%

50. 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	61%
Some of the time	26%
Only now and then	9%
Hardly at all	3%
Don't know	-

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

Liberal	27%
Moderate	32%
Conservative	35%
Not sure	7%

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

Very liberal	10%
Liberal	16%
Moderate	32%
Conservative	23%
Very Conservative	12%
Not sure	7%

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

Democrat	39%
Republican	31%
Independent	28%
Other	3%

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

Strong Democrat .....	27%
Not very strong Democrat .....	11%
Lean Democrat .....	9%
Independent .....	11%
Lean Republican .....	10%
Not very strong Republican .....	12%
Strong Republican .....	18%
Not sure .....	2%

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

Strongly support .....	11%
Somewhat support .....	17%
Neither support, nor oppose .....	19%
Somewhat oppose .....	8%
Strongly oppose .....	29%
Not sure .....	16%

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

Yes .....	11%
No .....	72%
Not Sure .....	17%

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

*Asked of registered voters*

The Democratic Party candidate .....	46%
The Republican Party candidate .....	38%
Other .....	6%
Not sure .....	7%
I would not vote .....	2%

58. Are you male or female?

Male .....	47%
Female .....	53%

59. Respondent age by category

Under 30 .....	18%
30-44 .....	22%
45-64 .....	36%
65+ .....	24%

60. What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

White .....	72%
Black .....	13%
Hispanic .....	9%
Other .....	6%

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

HS or less .....	35%
Some college .....	33%
College grad .....	20%
Postgrad .....	12%

62. What is your marital status?

Married .....	51%
Separated .....	2%
Divorced .....	12%
Widowed .....	6%
Single .....	26%
Domestic partnership .....	4%



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

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

64. Calculated from respondent's state of residence

Northeast .....	19%
Midwest .....	23%
South .....	38%
West .....	20%

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

City .....	31%
Suburb .....	35%
Town .....	14%
Rural area .....	19%
Other .....	1%

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

Full-time employed .....	36%
Part-time employed .....	11%
Self-employed .....	-
Unemployed or temporarily on layoff .....	8%
Retired .....	27%
Permanently disabled .....	10%
Homemaker .....	8%
Other .....	1%

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

Under \$50K .....	46%
\$50-100K .....	29%
\$100K or more .....	14%
Prefer not to say .....	11%

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

Yes, I am .....	8%
Yes, household member is .....	8%
No .....	85%

69. 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 .....	1%
Family member .....	8%
I served previously .....	13%
Family served previously .....	42%
None .....	44%

70. How important is religion in your life?

Very important .....	41%
Somewhat important .....	26%
Not too important .....	14%
Not at all important .....	19%

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

More than once a week .....	9%
Once a week .....	19%
Once or twice a month .....	9%
A few times a year .....	15%
Seldom .....	22%
Never .....	26%
Don't know .....	1%

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

Yes .....	31%
No .....	69%

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

Several times a day .....	29%
Once a day .....	16%
A few times a week .....	13%
Once a week .....	3%
A few times a month .....	6%
Seldom .....	13%
Never .....	17%
Don't know .....	3%

74. What is your present religion, if any?

Protestant .....	38%
Roman Catholic .....	20%
Mormon .....	2%
Eastern or Greek Orthodox .....	1%
Jewish .....	3%
Muslim .....	1%
Buddhist .....	1%
Hindu .....	0%
Atheist .....	6%
Agnostic .....	6%
Nothing in particular .....	17%
Something else .....	6%

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<b>Sponsorship</b>	<i>The Economist</i>
<b>Fieldwork</b>	YouGov
<b>Interviewing Dates</b>	November 4 - 7, 2016
<b>Target population</b>	Registered Voters
<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 based on gender, age, race, education, region, and 2012 Presidential vote. The weights range from 0.3 to 7.9, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.64.
<b>Number of respondents</b>	4171
<b>Margin of error</b>	± 0% (adjusted for weighting)
<b>Survey mode</b>	Web-based interviews
<b>Questions not reported</b>	36 questions not reported.