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Sample 2784 Respondents  
Conducted February 3-7, 2016  
Margin of Error ±3%

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

Generally headed in the right direction .....	30%
Off on the wrong track .....	59%
Not sure .....	11%

## 2. 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 .....	12%
Hardly at all .....	9%
Don't know .....	1%

## 3. What is your primary source for news?

TV .....	48%
Radio .....	4%
Natl Newspapers .....	3%
Local newspaper .....	3%
Net news .....	29%
Other internet sites (e.g., blogs, drudgereport.com) .....	7%
Friends .....	3%
Other .....	2%

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## 4. How much do you care about who wins the Presidential election in November 2016?

Care a lot .....	67%
Care somewhat .....	19%
Care a little .....	9%
Don't care .....	5%

## 5. How much do you know about each of the following people?

	A lot	A little	Nothing	Never heard of
Joe Biden	48%	38%	12%	2%
Jeb Bush	44%	41%	13%	2%
Ben Carson	37%	44%	17%	3%
Chris Christie	38%	42%	16%	4%
Hillary Clinton	74%	21%	5%	0%
Ted Cruz	45%	38%	16%	2%
Carly Fiorina	23%	44%	27%	6%
John Kasich	19%	32%	33%	16%
Barack Obama	78%	17%	5%	0%
Rand Paul	28%	42%	25%	5%
Marco Rubio	36%	41%	20%	3%
Bernie Sanders	45%	39%	13%	3%
Donald Trump	69%	25%	5%	1%

## 6. 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	23%	20%	11%	43%	3%
Bernie Sanders	23%	27%	16%	23%	11%

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7. If you had to choose one, which one of these individuals would you want to be the Democratic nominee for president in 2016?

Hillary Clinton	33%
Bernie Sanders	40%
Other	8%
No preference	20%

8. If you had to choose one, which one of these individuals would be your SECOND choice for the Democratic nominee for president in 2016?

Hillary Clinton	17%
Bernie Sanders	21%
Other	18%
No preference	44%

9. How would you feel if [Candidate Choice] was the 2016 Democratic presidential election nominee?

Enthusiastic	43%
Satisfied but not enthusiastic	39%
Dissatisfied but not upset	10%
Upset	3%
Not sure	4%

10. How do you feel about the field of Democratic candidates running for president in 2016?

Would like to see someone else run for the Democratic nomination	46%
Satisfied with the choices	38%
Don't know	17%

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## 11. How many Democratic debates have you watched so far?

None .....	46%
1 .....	21%
2-3 .....	20%
All of them .....	13%

## 12. Who do you think is the most likely candidate to become the Democratic nominee for president in 2016?

Hillary Clinton .....	53%
Bernie Sanders .....	24%
Not sure .....	23%

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

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know
Jeb Bush	6%	27%	27%	27%	12%
Ben Carson	14%	27%	18%	26%	15%
Chris Christie	7%	26%	25%	26%	16%
Ted Cruz	14%	23%	15%	33%	15%
Carly Fiorina	10%	24%	19%	26%	21%
John Kasich	8%	25%	22%	14%	31%
Rand Paul	9%	26%	24%	19%	23%
Marco Rubio	16%	26%	21%	20%	17%
Donald Trump	21%	17%	14%	45%	4%
Sarah Palin	11%	17%	18%	42%	12%

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14. If you had to choose one, which one of these individuals would you want to be the Republican nominee for president in 2016?

Jeb Bush	6%
Ben Carson	5%
Chris Christie	3%
Ted Cruz	14%
Carly Fiorina	3%
John Kasich	8%
Marco Rubio	14%
Donald Trump	23%
Other	3%
No preference	22%

15. If you had to choose one, which one of these individuals would be your SECOND choice for the Republican nominee for president in 2016?

Jeb Bush	9%
Ben Carson	7%
Chris Christie	8%
Ted Cruz	11%
Carly Fiorina	5%
John Kasich	5%
Marco Rubio	14%
Donald Trump	7%
Other	4%
No preference	29%

16. How would you feel if [Candidate Choice] was the 2016 Republican presidential election nominee?

Enthusiastic	52%
Satisfied but not enthusiastic	37%
Dissatisfied but not upset	7%
Upset	1%
Not sure	3%

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## 17. How do you feel about the field of Republican candidates running for president in 2016? *Asked of registered voters*

Would like to see someone else run for the Republican nomination	33%
Satisfied with the choices	48%
Don't know	19%

## 18. How many Republican debates have you watched so far?

None	37%
1	15%
2-3	23%
4-6	7%
All of them	18%

## 19. Who do you think is the most likely candidate to become the Republican nominee for president in 2016?

Jeb Bush	3%
Ben Carson	2%
Chris Christie	1%
Ted Cruz	19%
Carly Fiorina	1%
John Kasich	1%
Marco Rubio	18%
Donald Trump	28%
Not sure	25%

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20. Here are some candidates running for the Democratic and Republican Presidential nomination. Please tell us which of the following you might consider voting for if they were the nominee of one of the parties and which ones you would never consider voting for, regardless of who they were running against.

	Might consider voting for	Would never vote for	Not sure
Jeb Bush	36%	50%	14%
Ben Carson	36%	47%	17%
Chris Christie	34%	49%	16%
Hillary Clinton	47%	47%	6%
Ted Cruz	38%	46%	16%
Carly Fiorina	31%	49%	19%
John Kasich	32%	44%	24%
Marco Rubio	45%	39%	16%
Bernie Sanders	49%	38%	13%
Donald Trump	37%	55%	8%

21. If these were the Democratic and Republican nominees, which party do you think would win the election in November?

	Democrat would win	Republican would win	Not sure
Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump	47%	34%	19%
Hillary Clinton and Ted Cruz	48%	31%	21%
Hillary Clinton and Marco Rubio	44%	34%	21%
Hillary Clinton and Chris Christie	55%	24%	21%
Hillary Clinton and Jeb Bush	57%	20%	23%
Bernie Sanders and Donald Trump	42%	36%	22%
Bernie Sanders and Ted Cruz	42%	35%	23%
Bernie Sanders and Marco Rubio	39%	37%	23%

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22. If the candidates for president were Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump, who would you vote for?

Hillary Clinton	45%
Donald Trump	37%
Other	6%
I would not vote	12%

23. If the candidates for president were Hillary Clinton and Ted Cruz, who would you vote for?

Hillary Clinton	46%
Ted Cruz	36%
Other	5%
I would not vote	13%

24. If the candidates for president were Hillary Clinton and Marco Rubio, who would you vote for?

Hillary Clinton	44%
Marco Rubio	40%
Other	4%
I would not vote	12%

25. If the candidates for president were Bernie Sanders and Donald Trump, who would you vote for?

Bernie Sanders	44%
Donald Trump	36%
Other	6%
I would not vote	13%

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26. If the candidates for president were Bernie Sanders and Ted Cruz, who would you vote for?

Bernie Sanders	43%
Ted Cruz	35%
Other	6%
I would not vote	16%

27. If the candidates for president were Bernie Sanders and Marco Rubio, who would you vote for?

Bernie Sanders	41%
Marco Rubio	38%
Other	6%
I would not vote	15%

28. The 2016 election for President is nine months away. We'd like you to make your best prediction about who will be elected President in November 2016. Based on what you know now, which of the following candidates do you think is most likely to be our next President? Please make your best guess.

Jeb Bush	1%
Ben Carson	1%
Chris Christie	1%
Hillary Clinton	35%
Ted Cruz	10%
Carly Fiorina	0%
John Kasich	1%
Marco Rubio	11%
Bernie Sanders	12%
Donald Trump	21%
Someone else	6%

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29. Has anyone personally contacted you about coming out to support your candidate in your state's primary or caucus?

Yes ..... 12%  
No ..... 88%

30. Should the next president:

Generally continue Barack Obama's policies ..... 27%  
Change to more liberal policies ..... 22%  
Change to less liberal policies ..... 51%

31. Which ONE of these six issues is the most important facing the country?

Health care ..... 13%  
Economy/Jobs ..... 28%  
Terrorism ..... 19%  
Income inequality ..... 14%  
Immigration ..... 11%  
Government spending ..... 14%

32. How much of the time do you think you can trust the government in Washington to do what is right?

Just about always ..... 3%  
Most of the time ..... 15%  
Some of the time ..... 82%

33. Would you say the government is pretty much run by a few big interests looking out for themselves or that it is run for the benefit of all the people?

Few big interests ..... 74%  
Benefit of all ..... 9%  
Not sure ..... 17%

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34. Do you think that people in the government waste a lot of money we pay in taxes, waste some of it, or don't waste very much of it?

A lot .....	65%
Some .....	24%
Not very much .....	3%
Not sure .....	8%

35. Do you feel that almost all of the people running the government are smart people, or do you think that quite a few of them don't seem to know what they are doing?

Know what they're doing .....	25%
Don't know what they're doing .....	55%
Not sure .....	20%

36. Do you think that quite a few of the people running the government are crooked, not very many are, or do you think hardly any of them are crooked?

Quite a few .....	58%
Not many .....	25%
Hardly any .....	5%
Not sure .....	12%

37. Do you support or oppose a single payer health care system, in which all Americans would get their health insurance from one government plan that is financed by taxes?

Support .....	37%
Oppose .....	36%
Not sure .....	28%

38. Our taxes now provide education free through high school. Should our taxes provide college tuition free for students who go to college?

Should .....	39%
Should not .....	40%
Not sure .....	20%

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39. Do you favor or oppose raising the minimum wage to \$15 per hour?

Favor	48%
Oppose	39%
Not sure	14%

40. Do you favor or oppose building a wall along the US-Mexico border to try to stop illegal immigration?

Favor	48%
Oppose	33%
Not sure	19%

41. Do you favor or oppose raising taxes on families making over \$250,000 per year?

Favor	59%
Oppose	22%
Not sure	18%

42. How often are special interests able to get what they want by contributing money to political campaigns?

Always	20%
Most of the time	42%
Some of the time	16%
Occasionally	7%
Never	3%
Not sure	13%

43. If you had to choose, would you rather have a member of Congress who...

Compromises to get things done.	62%
Sticks to their principles, no matter what.	38%

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44. When running for office, how often do you think politicians lie about what they will do if elected?

Always	19%
Most of the time	37%
Some of the time	31%
Occasionally	7%
Never	1%
Not sure	6%

45. How hard is it for someone from a middle-class background to become rich in America?

Impossible	8%
Very hard	41%
Somewhat hard	38%
Not at all hard	6%
Not sure	7%

46. For someone to get ahead in America, what do you think is more important?

Luck	9%
Hard work	34%
Both equally important	50%
Not sure	6%

47. Which comes closest to your view about illegal immigrants who are living in the US?

They should be allowed to stay in the US and eventually apply for citizenship.	42%
They should be allowed to stay in the US legally, but not be allowed to apply for citizenship.	16%
They should be required to leave the US.	42%

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48. Do you think the US economic system generally favors the wealthy or is fair to most Americans?

Favors the wealthy .....	67%
Is fair to most Americans .....	21%
Not sure .....	12%

49. Which of the following things do you think should be done to reduce the federal budget deficit?

Cut spending .....	42%
Raise taxes .....	9%
Both cut spending and raise taxes .....	29%
None of the above .....	6%
Not sure .....	14%

50. Do you think the health care reform law should be expanded, kept the same, or repealed?

Expanded .....	30%
Kept the same .....	14%
Repealed .....	43%
Not sure .....	14%

51. Which comes closest to your position?

Legal in all cases .....	22%
Legal in most cases .....	33%
Illegal in most cases .....	33%
Illegal in all cases .....	12%

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## 52. Do you think gun control laws should be made more or less strict than they are now?

Guns should be banned completely. ....	8%
More strict .....	43%
Kept the same .....	27%
Less strict .....	7%
There should be no restrictions on gun ownership. ....	8%
Not sure .....	7%

## 53. Would you support or oppose a constitutional amendment allowing states to ban gay marriage?

Support .....	35%
Oppose .....	48%
Not sure .....	16%

## 54. Looking back, do you think the United States did the right thing in taking military action against Iraq, or should the U.S. have stayed out?

Did the right thing .....	40%
Should have stayed out .....	60%

## 55. Are you male or female?

Male .....	49%
Female .....	51%

## 56. Respondent age by category

Under 30 .....	21%
30-44 .....	25%
45-64 .....	36%
65+ .....	18%

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## 57. What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

White	68%
Black	11%
Hispanic	13%
Other	8%

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

HS or less	40%
Some college	32%
College grad	18%
Postgrad	10%

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

Very liberal	5%
Liberal	16%
Moderate	34%
Conservative	30%
Very Conservative	6%
Not sure	9%

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

Strong Democrat	22%
Not very strong Democrat	14%
Strong Republican	14%
Not very strong Republican	12%
Lean Democrat	8%
Lean Republican	10%
Independent	15%
Not sure	5%