

Sample 1000 Adult Interviews
 Conducted October 15 - 19, 2015
 Margin of Error ±4.1%

1. Do you think the United States made a mistake sending troops to fight in Afghanistan?

Yes 37%
 No 39%
 Not sure 24%

2. Do you think the United States has won or lost the war in Afghanistan?

Won 12%
 Lost 36%
 Not sure 52%

3. Do you think the United States could have won the war in Afghanistan with a different strategy, or do you think any strategy would probably have failed?

Asked of those who think the US has lost the war or are not sure if the US has won or lost the war

The U.S. could have won with a different strategy 33%
 Any strategy would probably have failed 26%
 Thinks the US has won the war 12%
 Not sure 29%

4. Which of these do you think is most likely?

Afghanistan will become a stable democracy in the next year or two. 2%
 Afghanistan will become a stable democracy, but it will take longer than a year or two. 23%
 Afghanistan will probably never become a stable democracy. 53%
 Not sure 22%

5. Are Afghan civilians better off today than they were when the war in Afghanistan began?

Definitely yes	7%
Probably yes	25%
Probably no	28%
Definitely no	10%
Not sure	30%

6. All American troops except for Embassy guards had been scheduled to leave the country by the end of 2016. Wednesday morning, the administration announced that 5,500 American soldiers will remain in Afghanistan through 2017. Do you approve or disapprove of this decision?

Strongly approve	13%
Somewhat approve	26%
Somewhat disapprove	22%
Strongly disapprove	16%
Not sure	22%

7. Do you think that the Afghan government is capable of defeating the Taliban without American soldiers being involved in combat?

Definitely	2%
Probably	9%
Probably not	43%
Definitely not	29%
Not sure	17%

Interviewing Dates	October 15 - 19, 2015
Target population	U.S. adults, aged 18 and over.
Sampling method	Respondents were selected from YouGov's opt-in Internet panel using sample matching. A random sample (stratified by age, gender, race, education, and region) was selected from the 2010 American Community Study. Voter registration was imputed from the November 2010 Current Population Survey Registration and Voting Supplement. Religion, minor party identification, and non-placement on an ideology scale, were imputed from the 2008 Pew Religion in American Life Survey.
Weighting	The sample was weighted using propensity scores based on age, gender, race, education, voter registration, and non-placement on an ideology scale. The weights range from 0.15 to 4.075, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.855.
Number of respondents	1000
Margin of error	± 4.1% (adjusted for weighting)
Survey mode	Web-based interviews
Questions not reported	20 questions not reported.