Interviewing: December 16 - 18, 2018
Sample: 1500 Adults nationwide online
1048 registered voters nationwide online

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Weekly Tracking

For immediate release

1. Presidential Job Approval – Historical

Do you approve or disapprove of the way [President's name] is handling his job as President?

	All Adults						
	Total Approve	**Total Disapprove**	Strongly Approve	Somewhat Approve	Somewhat Disapprove	Strongly Disapprove	Not Sure
December 14-18, 2018	41%	50%	24%	17%	9%	41%	9%
December 7-11, 2018	43%	49%	23%	20%	11%	38%	9%
November 30-December 4, 2018	43%	48%	24%	19%	10%	38%	8%
November 24-26, 2018	40%	52%	22%	18%	11%	41%	9%
November 17-19, 2018	40%	49%	24%	16%	8%	41%	11%
November 10-12, 2018	41%	51%	25%	16%	10%	41%	8%
November 3-5, 2018	40%	49%	25%	15%	12%	37%	11%
October 27-29, 2018	40%	52%	23%	17%	11%	41%	9%
October 20-22, 2018	42%	50%	24%	18%	10%	40%	9%
October 13-15, 2018	41%	48%	26%	15%	10%	38%	12%
One Year Ago	38%	52%	20%	18%	12%	40%	10%

	Registered Voters						
	Total Approve	**Total Disapprove**	Strongly Approve	Somewhat Approve	Somewhat Disapprove	Strongly Disapprove	Not Sure
December 14-18, 2018	43%	54%	27%	16%	8%	46%	4%
December 7-11, 2018	43%	54%	27%	16%	9%	45%	3%
November 30-December 4, 2018	46%	52%	30%	16%	7%	45%	3%
November 24-26, 2018	45%	53%	27%	18%	7%	46%	3%
November 17-19, 2018	45%	53%	31%	14%	7%	46%	3%
November 10-12, 2018	45%	54%	30%	15%	8%	46%	2%
November 3-5, 2018	45%	52%	32%	13%	8%	44%	3%
October 27-29, 2018	44%	52%	28%	16%	8%	44%	3%
October 20-22, 2018	45%	52%	29%	16%	8%	44%	3%
October 13-15, 2018	45%	52%	31%	14%	8%	44%	4%
One Year Ago	41%	55%	25%	16%	9%	46%	3%

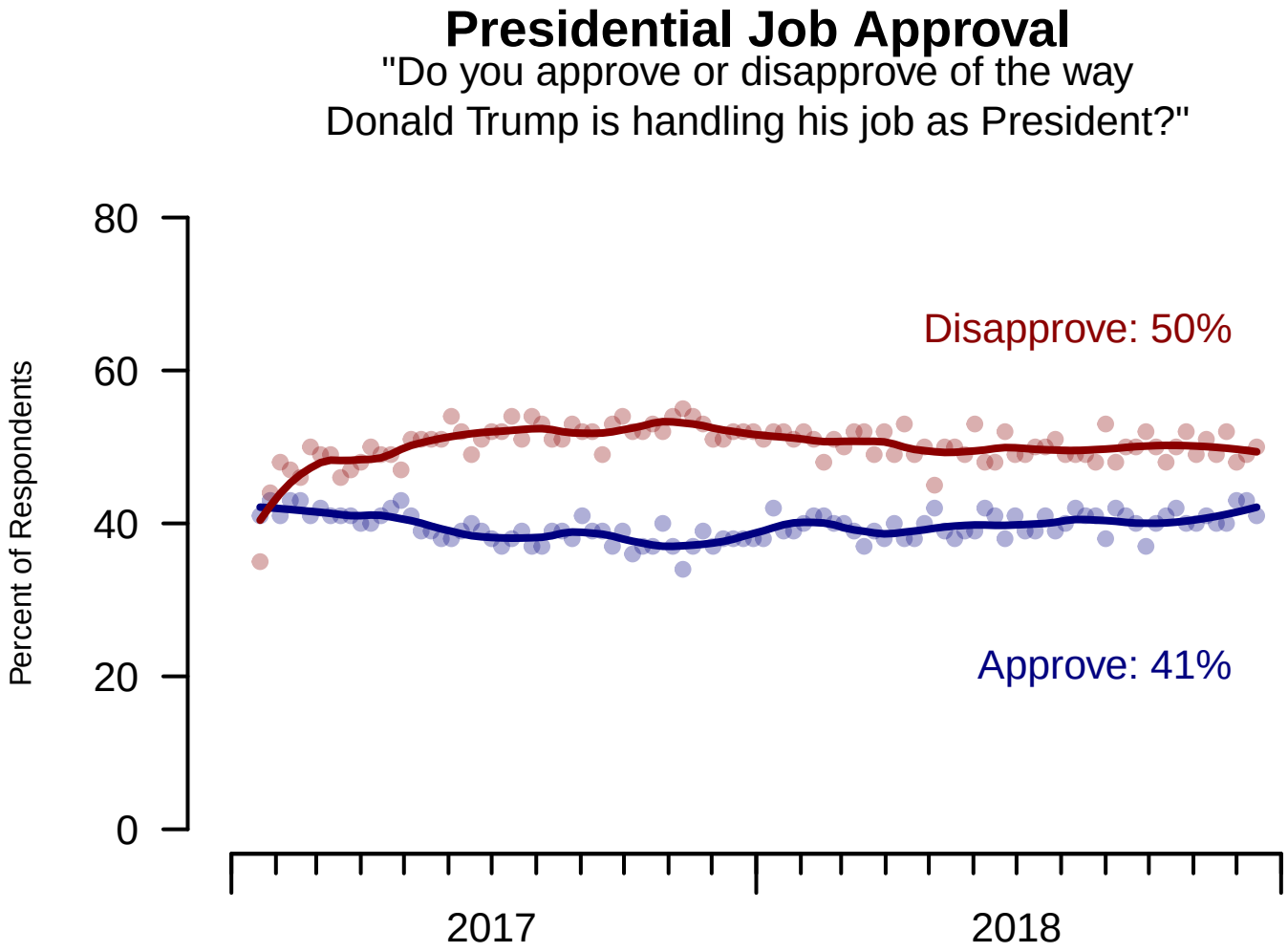


Figure 1: Trump Approval – All Adults

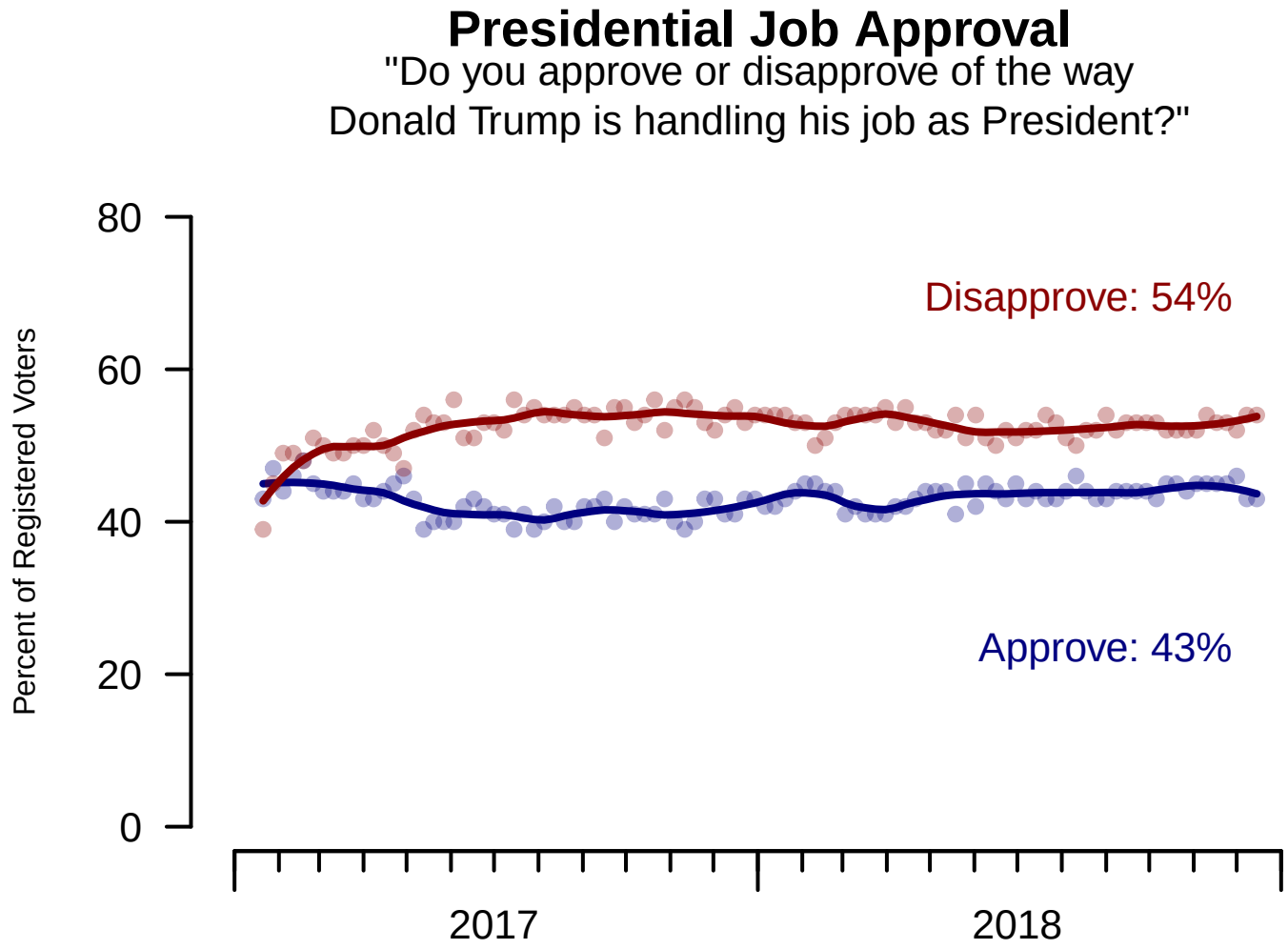


Figure 2: Trump Approval – Registered Voters

2. President Trump Job Approval – This Week – All Adults

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as President?

		Age (4 category)				Race			Census Region			
	Total	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	North-east	Mid-west	South	West
Strongly approve	24%	12%	17%	28%	39%	29%	6%	10%	29%	22%	23%	24%
Somewhat approve	17%	14%	21%	18%	15%	18%	8%	25%	17%	18%	17%	17%
Somewhat disapprove	9%	14%	9%	7%	6%	7%	16%	9%	6%	8%	11%	7%
Strongly disapprove	41%	41%	42%	41%	39%	38%	57%	40%	43%	46%	38%	41%
Not sure	9%	19%	11%	6%	1%	7%	13%	16%	5%	5%	11%	11%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1,500)	(217)	(318)	(653)	(312)	(1,202)	(162)	(136)	(236)	(317)	(594)	(353)

		Party ID			Ideology			Gender		Family Income (3 category)			
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Lib	Mod	Con	Male	Female	Under 50	50-100	100+	Prefer not to say
Strongly approve	24%	4%	21%	57%	6%	13%	56%	28%	21%	21%	26%	29%	27%
Somewhat approve	17%	7%	18%	29%	5%	21%	23%	19%	16%	17%	15%	21%	19%
Somewhat disapprove	9%	8%	10%	7%	6%	11%	7%	8%	10%	10%	8%	6%	9%
Strongly disapprove	41%	77%	34%	4%	77%	41%	9%	37%	44%	42%	43%	39%	31%
Not sure	9%	4%	17%	3%	6%	14%	5%	8%	10%	10%	8%	5%	14%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1,500)	(547)	(564)	(389)	(447)	(574)	(479)	(618)	(882)	(639)	(436)	(255)	(170)

3. Approval of U.S. Congress – Historical

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

	All Adults							
	Total Approve	**Total Disapprove**	Strongly Approve	Somewhat Approve	Neutral	Somewhat Disapprove	Strongly Disapprove	Not Sure
December 14-18, 2018	12%	60%	4%	8%	13%	26%	34%	14%
December 7-11, 2018	13%	57%	3%	10%	16%	23%	34%	13%
November 30-December 4, 2018	13%	56%	3%	10%	17%	22%	34%	13%
November 24-26, 2018	13%	58%	2%	11%	14%	24%	34%	15%
November 17-19, 2018	12%	59%	2%	10%	16%	25%	34%	13%
November 10-12, 2018	13%	57%	4%	9%	16%	24%	33%	14%
November 3-5, 2018	15%	56%	3%	12%	14%	20%	36%	15%
October 27-29, 2018	12%	63%	2%	10%	14%	24%	39%	11%
October 20-22, 2018	14%	58%	2%	12%	15%	22%	36%	13%
October 13-15, 2018	14%	54%	3%	11%	15%	19%	35%	16%
One Year Ago	12%	58%	3%	9%	15%	22%	36%	16%

	Registered Voters							
	Total Approve	**Total Disapprove**	Strongly Approve	Somewhat Approve	Neutral	Somewhat Disapprove	Strongly Disapprove	Not Sure
December 14-18, 2018	11%	69%	3%	8%	12%	28%	41%	7%
December 7-11, 2018	13%	69%	3%	10%	12%	27%	42%	6%
November 30-December 4, 2018	13%	68%	3%	10%	13%	27%	41%	6%
November 24-26, 2018	14%	68%	2%	12%	11%	27%	41%	7%
November 17-19, 2018	13%	66%	3%	10%	15%	26%	40%	6%
November 10-12, 2018	13%	68%	3%	10%	12%	27%	41%	7%
November 3-5, 2018	16%	66%	3%	13%	12%	23%	43%	6%
October 27-29, 2018	15%	69%	3%	12%	11%	24%	45%	6%
October 20-22, 2018	15%	68%	2%	13%	11%	25%	43%	6%
October 13-15, 2018	16%	65%	4%	12%	13%	22%	43%	7%
One Year Ago	12%	68%	3%	9%	12%	24%	44%	8%

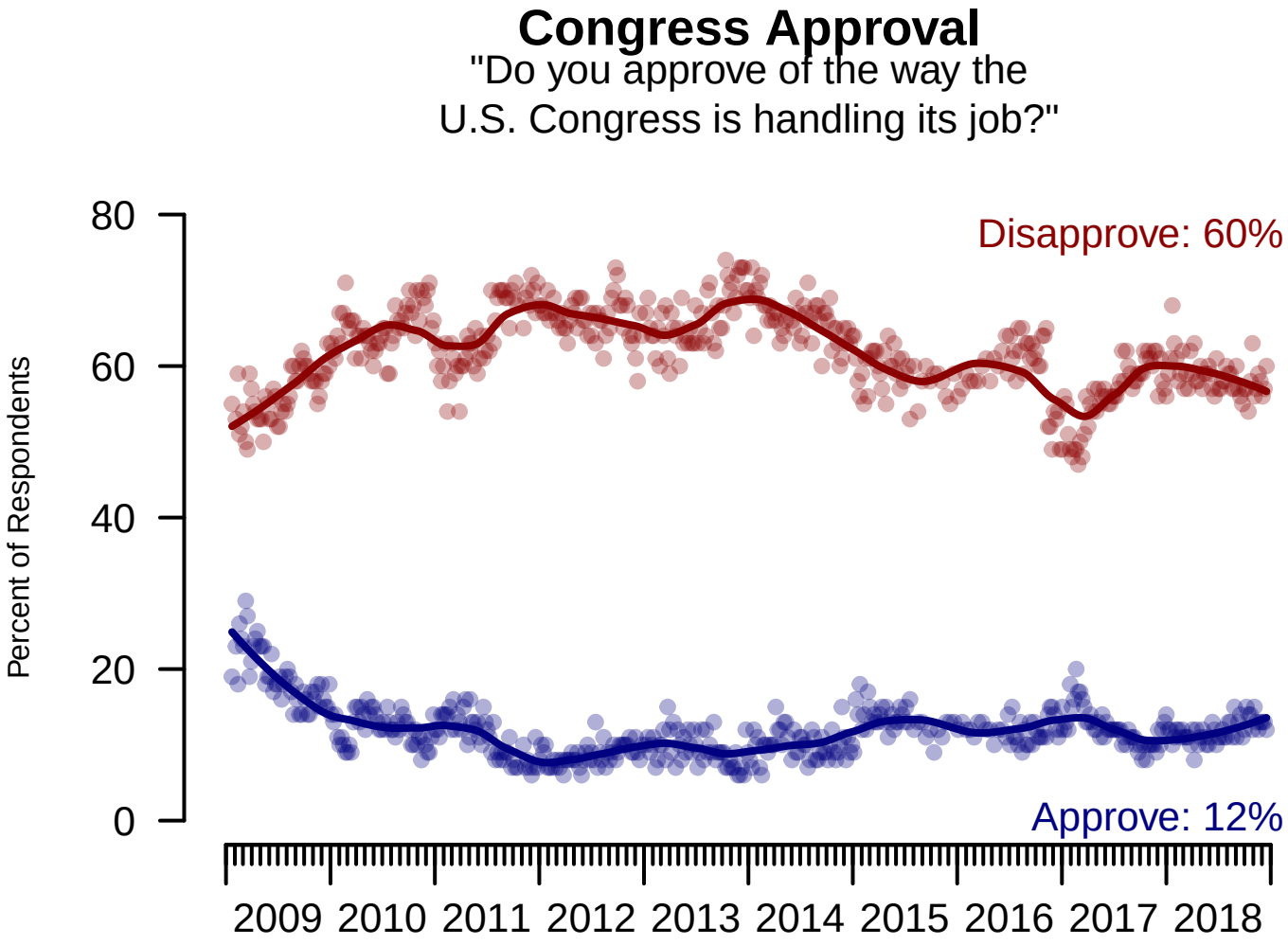


Figure 3: Congress Approval – All Adults

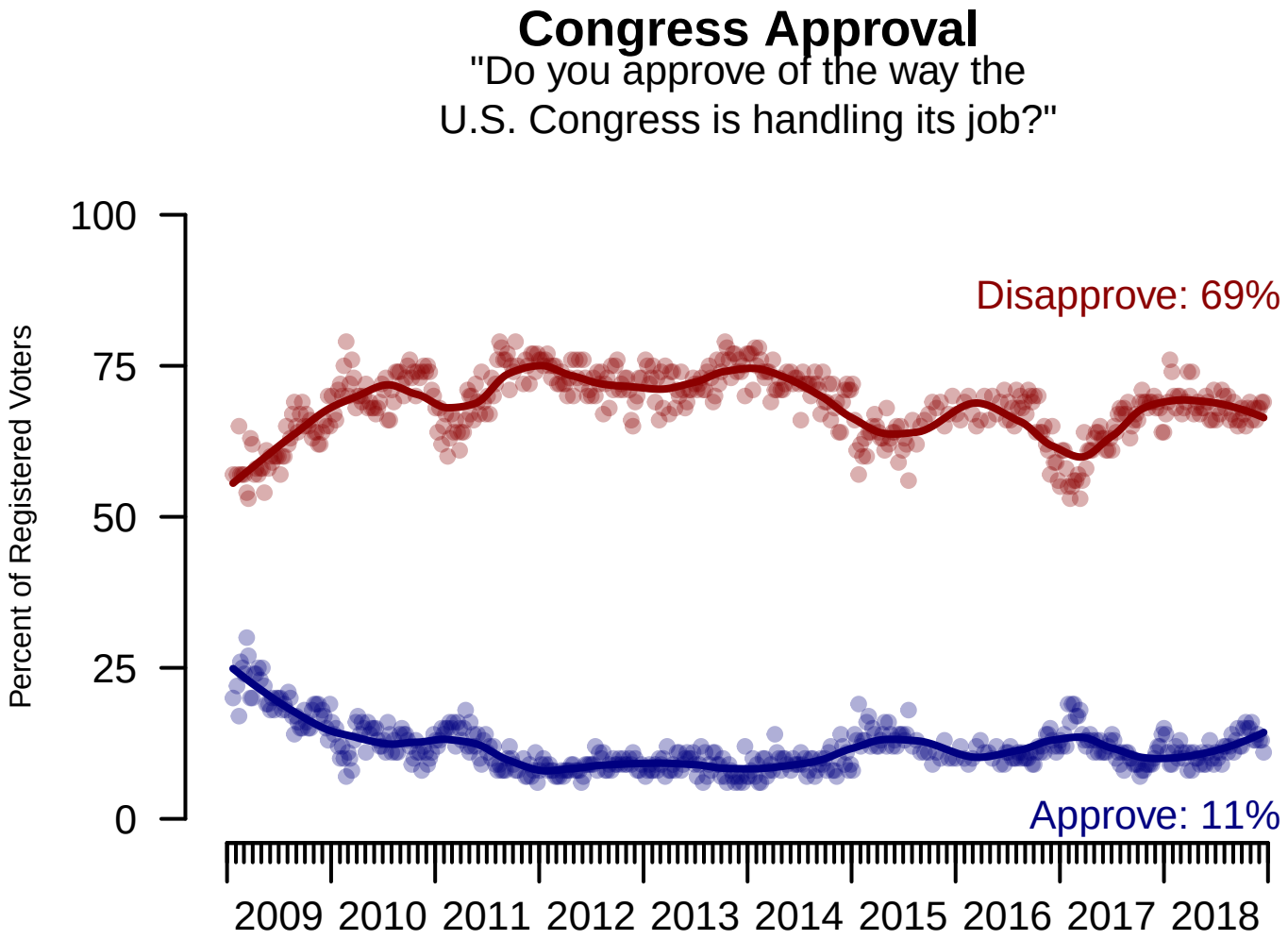


Figure 4: Congress Approval – Registered Voters

4. Approval of U.S. Congress – This Week – All Adults

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

		Age (4 category)				Race			Census Region			
	Total	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	North-east	Mid-west	South	West
Strongly approve	4%	7%	6%	2%	1%	4%	5%	2%	9%	2%	3%	3%
Somewhat approve	8%	7%	9%	8%	8%	8%	8%	7%	7%	7%	10%	6%
Neither approve nor disapprove	13%	16%	20%	11%	7%	12%	14%	20%	17%	13%	13%	12%
Somewhat disapprove	26%	22%	25%	28%	30%	28%	23%	17%	19%	26%	30%	24%
Strongly disapprove	34%	20%	23%	40%	51%	36%	32%	23%	38%	37%	28%	39%
Not sure	14%	28%	18%	11%	3%	11%	20%	30%	10%	14%	15%	17%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1,489)	(214)	(315)	(650)	(310)	(1,192)	(161)	(136)	(233)	(315)	(591)	(350)

		Party ID			Ideology			Gender		Family Income (3 category)			
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Lib	Mod	Con	Male	Female	Under 50	50-100	100+	Prefer not to say
Strongly approve	4%	4%	2%	7%	4%	2%	6%	4%	3%	4%	4%	2%	6%
Somewhat approve	8%	5%	6%	16%	5%	8%	12%	7%	9%	9%	9%	4%	5%
Neither approve nor disapprove	13%	15%	12%	13%	6%	19%	12%	13%	14%	14%	12%	13%	12%
Somewhat disapprove	26%	25%	24%	32%	24%	23%	34%	26%	27%	23%	34%	31%	17%
Strongly disapprove	34%	43%	34%	21%	53%	27%	27%	37%	32%	32%	33%	41%	35%
Not sure	14%	7%	22%	11%	9%	22%	10%	13%	16%	18%	8%	8%	26%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1,489)	(544)	(558)	(387)	(444)	(568)	(477)	(614)	(875)	(633)	(435)	(253)	(168)

5. Direction of country – Historical
Would you say things in this country today are...

	All Adults		
	Right Direction	Wrong Track	Not Sure
December 14-18, 2018	36%	49%	15%
December 7-11, 2018	38%	48%	14%
November 30-December 4, 2018	37%	52%	11%
November 24-26, 2018	37%	50%	13%
November 17-19, 2018	34%	51%	15%
November 10-12, 2018	34%	51%	15%
November 3-5, 2018	36%	49%	15%
October 27-29, 2018	35%	53%	11%
October 20-22, 2018	37%	49%	13%
October 13-15, 2018	36%	48%	15%
One Year Ago	33%	52%	15%

	Registered Voters		
	Right Direction	Wrong Track	Not Sure
December 14-18, 2018	37%	54%	9%
December 7-11, 2018	39%	53%	8%
November 30-December 4, 2018	39%	53%	7%
November 24-26, 2018	39%	52%	9%
November 17-19, 2018	38%	53%	9%
November 10-12, 2018	35%	56%	9%
November 3-5, 2018	41%	52%	7%
October 27-29, 2018	38%	55%	7%
October 20-22, 2018	40%	52%	8%
October 13-15, 2018	40%	53%	7%
One Year Ago	36%	55%	9%

Direction of Country

"Would you say things in this country today are generally headed in the right direction or off on the wrong track?"

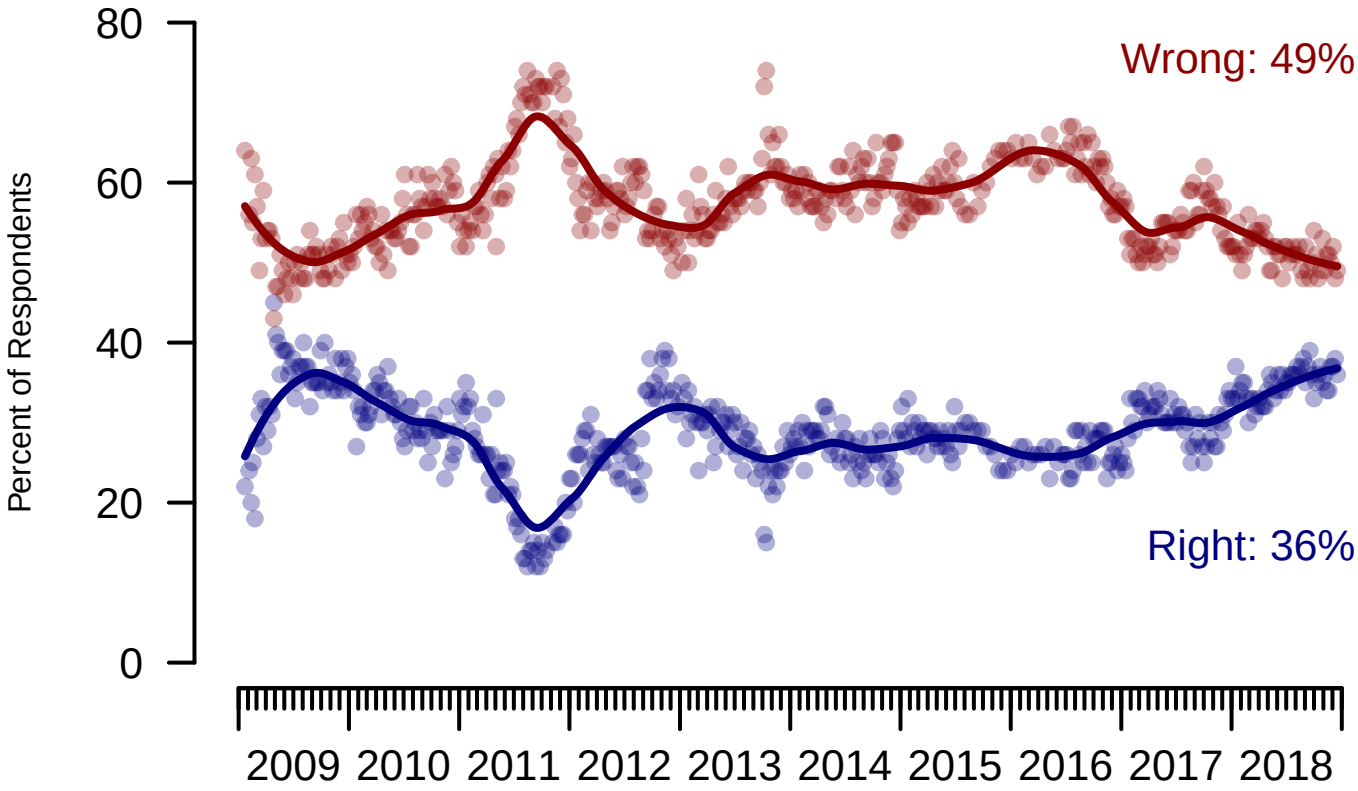


Figure 5: Direction of Country – All Adults

Direction of Country

"Would you say things in this country today are generally headed in the right direction or off on the wrong track?"

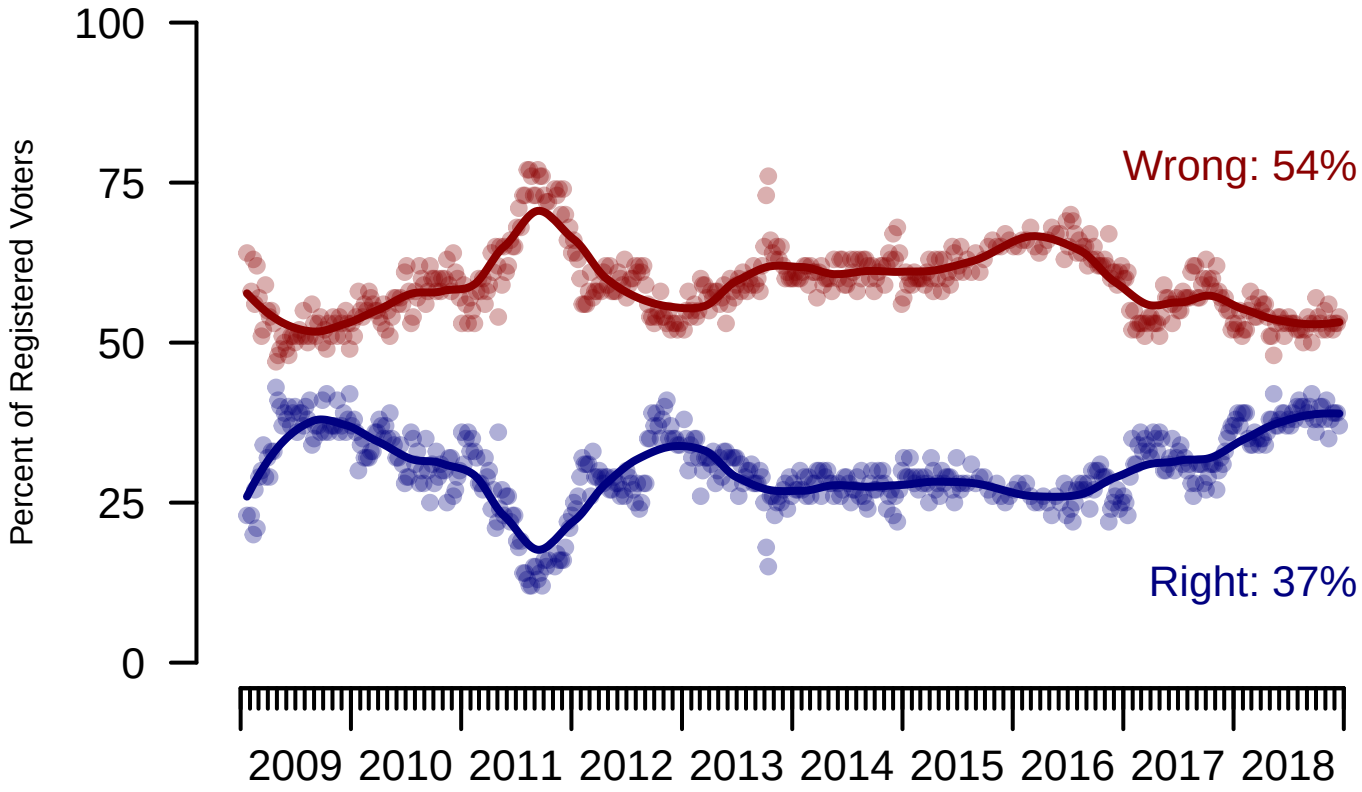


Figure 6: Direction of Country – Registered Voters

6. Direction of Country – This Week – All Adults
Would you say things in this country today are...

		Age (4 category)				Race			Census Region			
	Total	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	North-east	Mid-west	South	West
Generally headed in the right direction	36%	25%	34%	37%	47%	39%	20%	30%	43%	31%	37%	32%
Off on the wrong track	49%	50%	50%	50%	46%	48%	62%	47%	45%	55%	49%	48%
Not sure	15%	25%	16%	13%	7%	13%	18%	23%	12%	14%	14%	20%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1,500)	(217)	(318)	(653)	(312)	(1,202)	(162)	(136)	(236)	(317)	(594)	(353)

		Party ID			Ideology			Gender		Family Income (3 category)			
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Lib	Mod	Con	Male	Female	Under 50	50-100	100+	Prefer not to say
Generally headed in the right direction	36%	16%	32%	69%	15%	26%	67%	41%	31%	35%	37%	43%	27%
Off on the wrong track	49%	76%	46%	19%	77%	51%	23%	44%	54%	51%	51%	43%	47%
Not sure	15%	9%	22%	12%	8%	23%	11%	15%	15%	14%	12%	14%	26%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1,500)	(547)	(564)	(389)	(447)	(574)	(479)	(618)	(882)	(639)	(436)	(255)	(170)

Sponsorship	*The Economist*
Fieldwork	YouGov
Interviewing Dates	December 16 - 18, 2018
Target population	U.S. citizens, 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 2014 American Community Study. Voter registration was imputed from the November 2014 Current Population Survey Registration and Voting Supplement.
Weighting	The sample was weighted based on age, gender, race, education, and 2016 Presidential vote. The weights range from 0.31 to 6.52, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.7.
Number of respondents	1500
Margin of error	$\pm$ 3.2% (adjusted for weighting)
Margin of error (Registered Voters)	$\pm$ 3.2% (adjusted for weighting)
Survey mode	Web-based interviews
Full results	Available online at http://today.yougov.com/news/categories/economist/.