

Job Approval Ratings for  
Their Own State Legislators in Assembly and Senate

PPIC Statewide Survey, September 2015

|  |                                   | Approve | Disapprove | Don't know |
|--|-----------------------------------|---------|------------|------------|
| <b>All adults</b>                                |                                   | 47%     | 33%        | 20%        |
| <b>Registered voters</b>                         |                                   | 46      | 37         | 18         |
| <b>Likely voters</b>                             |                                   | 47      | 38         | 15         |
| <b>Party</b>                                     | <b>Democratic</b>                 | 59      | 25         | 16         |
|  | <b>Republican</b>                 | 25      | 57         | 18         |
|  | <b>Independent</b>                | 47      | 34         | 19         |
| <b>Political ideology</b>                        | <b>Liberal</b>                    | 58      | 20         | 22         |
|  | <b>Moderate</b>                   | 49      | 30         | 21         |
|  | <b>Conservative</b>               | 39      | 47         | 14         |
| <b>Gender</b>                                    | <b>Men</b>                        | 44      | 37         | 18         |
|  | <b>Women</b>                      | 50      | 30         | 21         |
| <b>Race/Ethnicity</b>                            | <b>Asian</b>                      | 45      | 22         | 33         |
|  | <b>Black</b>                      | 45      | 44         | 11         |
|  | <b>Latino</b>                     | 55      | 28         | 17         |
|  | <b>White</b>                      | 44      | 38         | 18         |
| <b>Household income</b>                          | <b>Under \$40,000</b>             | 48      | 31         | 22         |
|  | <b>\$40,000 to under \$80,000</b> | 49      | 37         | 13         |
|  | <b>\$80,000 or more</b>           | 47      | 34         | 19         |
| <b>Age</b>                                       | <b>18–34</b>                      | 53      | 27         | 20         |
|  | <b>35–54</b>                      | 45      | 36         | 19         |
|  | <b>55 and older</b>               | 44      | 36         | 21         |
| <b>Education</b>                                 | <b>High school or less</b>        | 49      | 31         | 20         |
|  | <b>Some college</b>               | 43      | 40         | 17         |
|  | <b>College graduate</b>           | 50      | 29         | 22         |
| <b>Region</b>                                    | <b>Central Valley</b>             | 49      | 38         | 13         |
|  | <b>San Francisco Bay Area</b>     | 50      | 27         | 24         |
|  | <b>Los Angeles County</b>         | 47      | 32         | 21         |
|  | <b>Orange/San Diego Counties</b>  | 46      | 31         | 24         |
|  | <b>Inland Empire</b>              | 42      | 45         | 13         |
| <b>Children age 18 or younger</b>                | <b>Yes</b>                        | 51      | 31         | 17         |
|  | <b>No</b>                         | 45      | 34         | 21         |
| <b>Home</b>                                      | <b>Own</b>                        | 45      | 37         | 18         |
|  | <b>Rent</b>                       | 52      | 28         | 20         |
| <b>Direction of state?</b>                       | <b>Right direction</b>            | 69      | 10         | 21         |
|  | <b>Wrong direction</b>            | 26      | 60         | 14         |
| <b>California economy during next 12 months?</b> | <b>Good times</b>                 | 64      | 19         | 18         |
|  | <b>Bad times</b>                  | 31      | 52         | 17         |

PPIC Statewide Survey: *Californians and Their Government, September 2015*. Includes 1,708 adults, 1,391 registered voters, and 1,066 likely voters. Interviews took place September 13–22, 2015. Numbers in above table are among all adults. The margin of error for all adults is  $\pm 3.6\%$ . The margin of error for subgroups is larger. Numbers may not add to 100 due to rounding.

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