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PPIC Statewide Survey mission

- Provide timely, relevant, nonpartisan data on political, social, and economic opinions
- Inform and improve state policymaking, raise awareness, encourage discussion
- Provide a voice for all Californians in important state policy debates
  - 330,000+ Californians interviewed since 1998
  - 160+ general, issue, and regional surveys
Californians and Their Government

- General series funded by the James Irvine Foundation, the California Endowment, and the PPIC Donor Circle
- Telephone interviews, September 10–19, 2017
  - 63% cell phone, 37% landline
  - 1,734 adults, ± 3.1% margin of error
  - 1,103 likely voters, ± 3.8% margin of error
- Views on federal elected officials and federal policy issues
- Opinions on state elected officials, housing policy, and California elections
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Approval of federal elected officials

- **President**
- **US Congress**

% adults

Jan 17 | Mar 17 | May 17 | Jul 17 | Sep 17
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27 | 24 |

% of adults

- All adults: 27, 24
- Likely voters: 31, 18
- Dem: 8, 18
- Rep: 70
- Ind: 27, 22

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Approval of US Senators

Dianne Feinstein
Kamala Harris

% Approval of US Senators

All adults: 48 Dem, 59 Rep, 49 Ind, 54 Likely voters
Dem: 71, 26
Rep: 23
Ind: 41
Likely voters: 47
Do you think Dianne Feinstein should run for reelection as US Senator next year or not?
Which comes closer to your view: Republicans in Congress should continue working on their own plan to repeal and replace the ACA; Republicans in Congress should work with Democrats to make improvements; or Republicans in Congress should move on from health care?
Do you think it is the responsibility of the federal government to make sure all Americans have health care coverage or is that not the responsibility of the federal government?
Should health insurance be provided through a single national health insurance system run by the government or continue to be provided through a mix of private insurance companies and government programs?

Among those who think it is government’s responsibility.
Immigrants and immigration policy

Perception of immigrants in California

- Immigrants are a benefit
- Immigrants are a burden

Support for a wall along the border with Mexico

- Favor
- Oppose
Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals

Thinking about undocumented immigrants brought to the US as children, do you favor or oppose the protections given by ‘DACA’—Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals—which includes protection from deportation and a work permit, if they pass a background check?
Do you have confidence in Donald Trump’s ability to handle the situation with North Korea’s nuclear program, or are you uneasy about his approach?
Concern over North Korea’s missile program

How concerned are you about the possibility of North Korea having a nuclear missile that could reach California—are you very concerned, somewhat concerned, not too concerned, or not at all concerned?

- All adults: 28% somewhat concerned, 49% very concerned
- Likely voters: 30% somewhat concerned, 49% very concerned
- Dem: 30% somewhat concerned, 50% very concerned
- Rep: 29% somewhat concerned, 46% very concerned
- Ind: 25% somewhat concerned, 48% very concerned
Perception of Russian involvement in the US election

Which best describes your view of possible Russian interference in the 2016 election?

- Political distraction
- Serious, but not as serious as other issues
- Critical issue of national security

![Bar chart showing percentages for all adults, Democrats, Republicans, and Independents](chart.png)
Perception of Russian involvement in the US election

Do you think the Russian government tried to influence the outcome of last fall’s US presidential election, or not?

- Yes, and Trump campaign members intentionally helped
- Yes, but Trump campaign members didn't intentionally help
- Yes, don't know if campaign members intentionally helped
- No

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Would you rather see the next California governor elected in November 2018 generally continue Jerry Brown’s policies or mostly change to different policies?

![Bar chart showing public sentiment on future California governor's policies]

- **All adults**: 39% Continue Brown's policies, 47% Change policies.
- **Likely voters**: 43% Continue Brown's policies, 49% Change policies.
- **Democrats**: 58% Continue Brown's policies, 29% Change policies.
- **Republicans**: 14% Continue Brown's policies, 81% Change policies.
- **Independents**: 36% Continue Brown's policies, 55% Change policies.
Outlook for the state

Think things are headed in the right direction
Expect good times financially

- All adults: 54% (likely voters: 51%)
- Democrats: 69% (Ind: 56%)
- Republicans: 23% (Con: 40%)

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Housing affordability

A $75 fee on real estate documents for affordable housing
Building more housing in your city or community to meet current need

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Political divisions in the nation and state

Optimistic that _____ of different political views can still come together and work out their differences

- All adults: 56% (Americans), 64% (Californians)
- Likely voters: 55% (Americans), 61% (Californians)
- Dem: 58% (Americans), 77% (Californians)
- Rep: 52% (Americans), 39% (Californians)
- Ind: 55% (Americans), 59% (Californians)
Belief that race relations in ________
are worse than they were a year ago

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Concern about voting in California elections

Graphs showing concerns about voting in California elections, with data on how hard it is for eligible people to vote and how easy it is for ineligible people to vote.
Political engagement since the election

- Paying more attention to politics
- Having more interest in town hall meetings

- All adults: 51%, 32%
- Likely voters: 55%, 37%
- Dem: 59%, 43%
- Rep: 48%, 25%
- Ind: 49%, 28%
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- A record-high share of Californians have a favorable opinion of the Affordable Care Act, and most want Republicans to work with Democrats to improve the law.
- A record-high three in four Californians view immigrants as a benefit. There is bipartisan support for DACA protections.
- Most give positive ratings to state elected officials, but about half of adults and likely voters want change from the next governor.
- Californians perceive race relations as having gotten worse in the United States over the last year; fewer say this about race relations in the state.
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