

Californians and Their Government

November 2019

Time Trends – All Respondents

Methodology Note:

Findings for November 2019 are based on a survey of 1,711 California adult residents, with 70 percent interviewed on cell phones (1,200 interviews) and 30 percent interviewed on landline telephones (511 interviews). Live landline and cell phone interviews were conducted in English and Spanish according to the respondents' preferences. Interviews took an average of 18 minutes to complete. Interviewing took place on weekend days and weekday nights November 3-12, 2019.

The sampling error for November 2019, taking design effects from weighting into consideration, is ± 3.3 percent at the 95 percent confidence level for the total unweighted sample of 1,711 adults. This means that 95 times out of 100, the results will be within 3.3 percentage points of what they would be if all adults in California were interviewed. Sampling error is only one type of error to which surveys are subject. Results may also be affected by factors such as question wording, question order, and survey timing.

If you have any questions or require additional information regarding this survey, please contact surveys@ppic.org

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Q1. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way that Gavin Newsom is handling his job as governor of California?

| | approve | disapprove | (VOL) have not heard enough to have an opinion | (VOL) don't know | Unweighted n |
|----------|---------|------------|---|---------------------|-----------------|
| Nov 2019 | 48% | 33% | 0% | 18% | 1679 |
| Sep 2019 | 44% | 32% | 0% | 24% | 1683 |
| Jul 2019 | 45% | 31% | 0% | 25% | 1679 |
| May 2019 | 45% | 29% | 0% | 26% | 1691 |
| Mar 2019 | 45% | 26% | 16% | 13% | 1699 |
| Jan 2019 | 44% | 23% | 23% | 10% | 1684 |

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Q3. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of
 the way that the California Legislature is
 handling its job?

| | approve | disapprove | (VOL) don't know | Unweighted n |
|----------|---------|------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| Nov 2019 | 44% | 41% | 15% | 1682 |
| Sep 2019 | 43% | 40% | 17% | 1691 |
| Jul 2019 | 42% | 41% | 17% | 1687 |
| May 2019 | 39% | 44% | 17% | 1701 |
| Mar 2019 | 46% | 37% | 17% | 1692 |
| Jan 2019 | 49% | 37% | 14% | 1689 |
| Dec 2018 | 47% | 39% | 15% | 1685 |
| Nov 2018 | 46% | 38% | 16% | 1694 |
| Oct 2018 | 45% | 37% | 18% | 1691 |
| Sep 2018 | 46% | 37% | 17% | 1690 |
| Jul 2018 | 46% | 38% | 15% | 1703 |
| May 2018 | 44% | 38% | 18% | 1692 |
| Apr 2018 | 46% | 40% | 14% | 1697 |
| Mar 2018 | 46% | 38% | 16% | 1690 |
| Jan 2018 | 51% | 33% | 16% | 1694 |
| Dec 2017 | 49% | 36% | 15% | 1697 |
| Nov 2017 | 48% | 36% | 16% | 1690 |
| Sep 2017 | 49% | 39% | 12% | 1726 |
| Jul 2017 | 50% | 34% | 17% | 1697 |
| May 2017 | 46% | 38% | 15% | 1691 |
| Apr 2017 | 49% | 36% | 15% | 1696 |
| Mar 2017 | 51% | 33% | 16% | 1685 |
| Jan 2017 | 57% | 30% | 13% | 1686 |
| Dec 2016 | 49% | 38% | 13% | 1697 |
| Oct 2016 | 46% | 33% | 20% | 1684 |
| Sep 2016 | 47% | 37% | 16% | 1690 |
| Jul 2016 | 45% | 40% | 15% | 1687 |
| May 2016 | 43% | 37% | 20% | 1690 |
| Apr 2016 | 48% | 38% | 14% | 1694 |
| Mar 2016 | 44% | 39% | 18% | 1692 |
| Jan 2016 | 46% | 39% | 15% | 1692 |
| Dec 2015 | 41% | 40% | 19% | 1678 |
| Sep 2015 | 45% | 38% | 17% | 1691 |
| Jul 2015 | 39% | 45% | 16% | 1688 |
| Jun 2015 | 37% | 43% | 20% | 1694 |
| Apr 2015 | 42% | 43% | 15% | 1695 |
| Mar 2015 | 45% | 39% | 16% | 1693 |
| Jan 2015 | 49% | 36% | 15% | 1689 |
| Dec 2014 | 41% | 42% | 17% | 1681 |
| Oct 2014 | 41% | 42% | 17% | 1686 |
| Sep 2014 | 37% | 42% | 20% | 1673 |
| Jul 2014 | 38% | 46% | 16% | 1683 |

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Q3. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of
 the way that the California Legislature is
 handling its job?

| | approve | disapprove | (VOL) don't know | Unweighted n |
|----------|---------|------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| May 2014 | 40% | 44% | 16% | 1684 |
| Apr 2014 | 40% | 44% | 17% | 1693 |
| Mar 2014 | 36% | 45% | 19% | 1685 |
| Jan 2014 | 42% | 44% | 14% | 1698 |
| Dec 2013 | 38% | 43% | 19% | 1688 |
| Sep 2013 | 38% | 45% | 17% | 1693 |
| Jul 2013 | 36% | 45% | 19% | 2096 |
| May 2013 | 35% | 50% | 16% | 1697 |
| Apr 2013 | 31% | 53% | 15% | 1699 |
| Mar 2013 | 34% | 49% | 17% | 1689 |
| Jan 2013 | 41% | 42% | 17% | 1700 |
| Dec 2012 | 34% | 51% | 15% | 1992 |
| Oct 2012 | 28% | 55% | 17% | 1995 |
| Sep 2012 | 30% | 53% | 17% | 1989 |
| Aug 2012 | 29% | 54% | 17% | 2480 |
| May 2012 | 25% | 57% | 18% | 1990 |
| Apr 2012 | 25% | 58% | 16% | 1992 |
| Mar 2012 | 25% | 54% | 21% | 1989 |
| Jan 2012 | 28% | 56% | 16% | 1988 |
| Dec 2011 | 25% | 55% | 20% | 1987 |
| Nov 2011 | 25% | 55% | 19% | 2490 |
| Sep 2011 | 26% | 56% | 18% | 1998 |
| Jul 2011 | 23% | 59% | 18% | 2496 |
| Jun 2011 | 23% | 58% | 19% | 1998 |
| Apr 2011 | 21% | 60% | 19% | 2487 |
| Mar 2011 | 24% | 54% | 21% | 1982 |
| Feb 2011 | 24% | 52% | 24% | 2483 |
| Jan 2011 | 26% | 55% | 19% | 1990 |
| Nov 2010 | 14% | 72% | 14% | 2486 |
| Oct 2010 | 16% | 77% | 7% | 1989 |
| Sep 2010 | 16% | 75% | 9% | 1990 |
| Jul 2010 | 15% | 68% | 17% | 2487 |
| May 2010 | 16% | 72% | 12% | 1993 |
| Apr 2010 | 16% | 69% | 14% | 2493 |
| Mar 2010 | 14% | 72% | 14% | 1996 |
| Jan 2010 | 18% | 71% | 11% | 1989 |
| Dec 2009 | 17% | 70% | 13% | 2000 |
| Nov 2009 | 18% | 68% | 15% | 2491 |
| Sep 2009 | 21% | 68% | 11% | 1998 |
| Jul 2009 | 17% | 71% | 11% | 2484 |
| May 2009 | 21% | 65% | 14% | 1994 |
| Apr 2009 | 23% | 63% | 14% | 2493 |

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Q3. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of
 the way that the California Legislature is
 handling its job?

| | approve | disapprove | (VOL) don't know | Unweighted n |
|----------|---------|------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| Mar 2009 | 18% | 68% | 14% | 1995 |
| Feb 2009 | 21% | 65% | 14% | 2494 |
| Jan 2009 | 21% | 67% | 12% | 1994 |
| Nov 2008 | 24% | 60% | 16% | 2482 |
| Oct 2008 | 25% | 63% | 12% | 1996 |
| Sep 2008 | 21% | 67% | 11% | 1990 |
| Aug 2008 | 26% | 63% | 11% | 1991 |
| May 2008 | 26% | 57% | 17% | 1991 |
| Apr 2008 | 26% | 58% | 16% | 2495 |
| Mar 2008 | 30% | 55% | 15% | 1988 |
| Jan 2008 | 34% | 53% | 13% | 1988 |
| Dec 2007 | 41% | 47% | 12% | 1992 |
| Oct 2007 | 33% | 50% | 17% | 2490 |
| Sep 2007 | 34% | 51% | 15% | 1988 |
| Jun 2007 | 39% | 40% | 21% | 1987 |
| May 2007 | 37% | 44% | 19% | 1994 |
| Apr 2007 | 38% | 44% | 18% | 2483 |
| Mar 2007 | 41% | 42% | 17% | 1989 |
| Jan 2007 | 40% | 44% | 15% | 2006 |
| Oct 2006 | 30% | 52% | 18% | 1993 |
| Sep 2006 | 34% | 50% | 16% | 1994 |
| Aug 2006 | 31% | 53% | 16% | 1995 |
| May 2006 | 26% | 54% | 20% | 1988 |
| Mar 2006 | 25% | 59% | 16% | 1988 |
| Jan 2006 | 29% | 57% | 14% | 2000 |
| Jan 2006 | 24% | 54% | 22% | 2481 |
| Oct 2005 | 25% | 56% | 19% | 1993 |
| Sep 2005 | 32% | 53% | 15% | 1992 |
| Aug 2005 | 27% | 56% | 17% | 1993 |
| May 2005 | 26% | 58% | 16% | 1992 |
| Jan 2005 | 37% | 50% | 13% | 1993 |
| Oct 2004 | 43% | 41% | 16% | 2005 |
| Sep 2004 | 40% | 46% | 14% | 1988 |
| Aug 2004 | 42% | 45% | 13% | 1990 |
| Jun 2004 | 40% | 44% | 16% | 2498 |
| May 2004 | 40% | 43% | 17% | 1986 |
| Jan 2004 | 36% | 45% | 19% | 1981 |
| Aug 2003 | 28% | 58% | 14% | 1979 |
| Jun 2003 | 39% | 44% | 17% | 1976 |
| Feb 2003 | 36% | 45% | 19% | 1967 |
| Sep 2002 | 45% | 36% | 18% | 1967 |

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Q3. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of
 the way that the California Legislature is
 handling its job?

| | approve | disapprove | (VOL) don't know | Unweighted n |
|----------|---------|------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| Jan 2002 | 49% | 35% | 16% | 1942 |
| Dec 2001 | 53% | 29% | 18% | 1952 |
| Jul 2001 | 45% | 38% | 18% | 1966 |
| Jan 2001 | 58% | 27% | 15% | 1960 |
| Sep 2000 | 56% | 31% | 12% | 1980 |

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Q4. Now, thinking about your own personal finances. Would you say that you and your family are financially better off, worse off, or just about the same as a year ago?

| | better off | worse off | same | [VOL] don't know | Unweighted n |
|----------|------------|-----------|------|------------------|--------------|
| Nov 2019 | 23% | 22% | 54% | 1% | 1706 |
| Dec 2013 | 22% | 24% | 54% | 1% | 1697 |
| Dec 2011 | 15% | 35% | 49% | 1% | 1998 |
| Dec 2009 | 9% | 53% | 36% | 1% | 2000 |
| Sep 2002 | 30% | 23% | 45% | 1% | 1976 |
| Dec 2001 | 21% | 25% | 53% | 1% | 1971 |
| Jan 2001 | 38% | 14% | 48% | 0% | 1978 |
| Sep 2000 | 42% | 10% | 47% | 0% | 1993 |
| Sep 1999 | 36% | 12% | 52% | 0% | 2001 |
| Jan 1999 | 31% | 14% | 55% | 1% | 1971 |
| Oct 1998 | 35% | 11% | 53% | 1% | 2003 |
| Sep 1998 | 33% | 12% | 54% | 1% | 1998 |
| May 1998 | 36% | 13% | 50% | 0% | 2002 |
| Apr 1998 | 37% | 12% | 51% | 0% | 1982 |

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Q5. Some people think that California is divided into economic groups, the haves and have-nots, while others think it is not divided that way. Do you think that California is divided into haves and have-nots, or not divided?

| | divided into haves and have-nots | not divided that way | [VOL] don't know | Unweighted n |
|----------|----------------------------------|----------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Nov 2019 | 63% | 31% | 6% | 1693 |
| Dec 2018 | 67% | 30% | 3% | 1687 |
| Dec 2015 | 67% | 29% | 5% | 1690 |
| Dec 2014 | 68% | 28% | 4% | 1686 |
| Dec 2013 | 66% | 30% | 4% | 1693 |
| Dec 2011 | 63% | 34% | 4% | 1994 |
| Sep 2002 | 61% | 34% | 5% | 1968 |
| Jan 1999 | 56% | 41% | 3% | 1969 |

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Q6. If you had to choose, which of these groups are you in; the
 haves or have-nots?

| | haves | have-nots | [VOL] neither | [VOL] don't know | Unweighted n |
|----------|-------|-----------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| Nov 2019 | 41% | 44% | 9% | 6% | 1670 |
| Dec 2018 | 40% | 45% | 9% | 6% | 1669 |
| Dec 2015 | 40% | 44% | 12% | 5% | 1676 |
| Dec 2014 | 40% | 46% | 9% | 5% | 1670 |
| Dec 2013 | 40% | 45% | 9% | 5% | 1671 |
| Dec 2011 | 39% | 48% | 8% | 4% | 1982 |
| Sep 2002 | 60% | 32% | 0% | 8% | 1948 |
| Jan 1999 | 57% | 35% | 0% | 8% | 1950 |

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Q7. If you were asked to use one of these commonly used names for the social classes, which would you say you belong in? The upper class, upper-middle class, middle class, lower-middle class, or lower class?

| | upper class | upper-middle class | middle class | lower-middle class | lower class | [VOL] don't know |
|----------|-------------|--------------------|--------------|--------------------|-------------|------------------|
| Nov 2019 | 1% | 13% | 40% | 28% | 16% | 2% |
| Sep 2015 | 3% | 13% | 42% | 29% | 11% | 2% |

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| | Unweighted n |
|----------|--------------|
| Nov 2019 | 1685 |
| Sep 2015 | 1695 |

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Q8. Do you think that in California today [ROTATE] [1] all people have an equal opportunity to get ahead, or [2] the government should do more to make sure that all Californians have an equal opportunity to get ahead.

| | people have equal opportunity | government should do more | (VOL) both | (VOL) neither | (VOL) don't know | Unweighted n |
|----------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| Nov 2019 | 41% | 52% | 1% | 3% | 3% | 1688 |
| Dec 2018 | 41% | 53% | 1% | 2% | 3% | 1686 |
| Dec 2015 | 42% | 51% | 2% | 3% | 2% | 1689 |
| Dec 2014 | 41% | 52% | 1% | 3% | 3% | 1690 |
| Dec 2013 | 43% | 49% | 1% | 4% | 3% | 1683 |
| Dec 2011 | 37% | 54% | 2% | 4% | 3% | 1991 |
| Sep 2002 | 52% | 43% | 1% | 2% | 3% | 1967 |
| Jan 1999 | 52% | 45% | 0% | 0% | 3% | 1958 |

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Q18. What if there was a state ballot measure to have commercial properties taxed according to their current market value and direct some of this new tax revenue to state funding for K-to-12 public schools? Would you vote yes or no?

| | yes | no | (VOL) don't know | Unweighted n |
|----------|-----|-----|------------------|--------------|
| Nov 2019 | 55% | 37% | 8% | 1702 |
| Sep 2019 | 57% | 34% | 9% | 1694 |
| Apr 2019 | 56% | 42% | 2% | 1505 |
| Apr 2018 | 61% | 33% | 6% | 1698 |

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Q25. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of
 the way that Donald Trump is handling his job
 as president?

| | approve | disapprove | (VOL) don't know | Unweighted n |
|----------|---------|------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| Nov 2019 | 33% | 63% | 4% | 1689 |
| Sep 2019 | 30% | 66% | 4% | 1680 |
| Jul 2019 | 32% | 62% | 5% | 1692 |
| May 2019 | 34% | 61% | 4% | 1696 |
| Mar 2019 | 29% | 67% | 4% | 1691 |
| Jan 2019 | 30% | 67% | 3% | 1688 |
| Dec 2018 | 32% | 63% | 5% | 1678 |
| Oct 2018 | 29% | 64% | 7% | 1685 |
| Sep 2018 | 30% | 66% | 5% | 1689 |
| Jul 2018 | 29% | 66% | 5% | 1689 |
| May 2018 | 30% | 63% | 7% | 1682 |
| Mar 2018 | 30% | 65% | 5% | 1688 |
| Jan 2018 | 26% | 71% | 3% | 1695 |
| Dec 2017 | 28% | 68% | 5% | 1687 |
| Sep 2017 | 27% | 69% | 4% | 1721 |
| Jul 2017 | 25% | 71% | 4% | 1696 |
| May 2017 | 27% | 67% | 6% | 1690 |
| Mar 2017 | 31% | 61% | 7% | 1685 |
| Jan 2017 | 30% | 58% | 12% | 1678 |

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| Q26. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way the U.S. Congress is handling its job? | | | | |
|---|---------|------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| | approve | disapprove | (VOL) don't know | Unweighted n |
| Nov 2019 | 28% | 64% | 8% | 1690 |
| Sep 2019 | 33% | 58% | 9% | 1680 |
| Jul 2019 | 25% | 65% | 9% | 1696 |
| May 2019 | 30% | 63% | 7% | 1690 |
| Mar 2019 | 36% | 56% | 8% | 1690 |
| Jan 2019 | 34% | 59% | 7% | 1690 |
| Dec 2018 | 29% | 62% | 9% | 1686 |
| Oct 2018 | 25% | 64% | 11% | 1689 |
| Sep 2018 | 28% | 61% | 10% | 1694 |
| Jul 2018 | 20% | 71% | 9% | 1697 |
| May 2018 | 24% | 66% | 10% | 1684 |
| Mar 2018 | 29% | 65% | 6% | 1697 |
| Jan 2018 | 21% | 72% | 7% | 1698 |
| Dec 2017 | 22% | 70% | 8% | 1700 |
| Sep 2017 | 24% | 70% | 6% | 1726 |
| Jul 2017 | 24% | 68% | 8% | 1702 |
| May 2017 | 26% | 66% | 8% | 1695 |
| Mar 2017 | 36% | 55% | 9% | 1692 |
| Jan 2017 | 33% | 58% | 9% | 1689 |
| Oct 2016 | 31% | 59% | 10% | 1703 |
| Sep 2016 | 29% | 65% | 6% | 1699 |
| Jul 2016 | 28% | 66% | 6% | 1696 |
| May 2016 | 28% | 67% | 6% | 1696 |
| Mar 2016 | 24% | 70% | 6% | 1706 |
| Jan 2016 | 32% | 63% | 5% | 1694 |
| Dec 2015 | 26% | 67% | 7% | 1697 |
| Sep 2015 | 32% | 62% | 7% | 1702 |
| Jul 2015 | 29% | 63% | 9% | 1690 |
| Jun 2015 | 27% | 68% | 5% | 1701 |
| Mar 2015 | 24% | 69% | 7% | 1694 |
| Jan 2015 | 38% | 55% | 7% | 1700 |
| Oct 2014 | 24% | 68% | 8% | 1689 |
| Sep 2014 | 24% | 66% | 10% | 1682 |
| Jul 2014 | 22% | 72% | 6% | 1690 |
| May 2014 | 24% | 69% | 7% | 1697 |
| Mar 2014 | 19% | 74% | 7% | 1695 |
| Jan 2014 | 26% | 69% | 5% | 1702 |
| Dec 2013 | 18% | 76% | 6% | 1693 |
| Sep 2013 | 28% | 65% | 8% | 1682 |
| Jul 2013 | 30% | 62% | 7% | 2092 |
| May 2013 | 31% | 62% | 6% | 1696 |
| Mar 2013 | 29% | 67% | 4% | 1696 |
| Jan 2013 | 34% | 59% | 7% | 1700 |

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| Q26. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way the U.S. Congress is handling its job? | | | | |
|---|---------|------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| | approve | disapprove | (VOL) don't know | Unweighted n |
| Oct 2012 | 26% | 67% | 7% | 2000 |
| Sep 2012 | 27% | 67% | 7% | 1989 |
| Aug 2012 | 27% | 66% | 7% | 2485 |
| May 2012 | 22% | 69% | 8% | 1993 |
| Mar 2012 | 24% | 68% | 8% | 1992 |
| Jan 2012 | 25% | 69% | 5% | 1993 |
| Dec 2011 | 20% | 75% | 5% | 1988 |
| Sep 2011 | 27% | 64% | 9% | 1996 |
| Jul 2011 | 25% | 65% | 10% | 2495 |
| Mar 2011 | 30% | 58% | 12% | 1988 |
| Oct 2010 | 31% | 64% | 5% | 1988 |
| Sep 2010 | 26% | 66% | 8% | 1990 |
| May 2010 | 31% | 61% | 8% | 1997 |
| Mar 2010 | 24% | 68% | 8% | 1992 |
| Jan 2010 | 36% | 55% | 9% | 1991 |
| Dec 2009 | 38% | 54% | 8% | 1994 |
| Sep 2009 | 39% | 54% | 7% | 2000 |
| May 2009 | 47% | 43% | 10% | 1998 |
| Mar 2009 | 43% | 47% | 10% | 1993 |
| Jan 2009 | 37% | 56% | 7% | 1997 |
| Oct 2008 | 23% | 71% | 6% | 1993 |
| Sep 2008 | 29% | 63% | 9% | 1991 |
| Aug 2008 | 27% | 64% | 9% | 1990 |
| Mar 2008 | 33% | 55% | 12% | 1992 |
| Dec 2007 | 31% | 62% | 7% | 1992 |
| Sep 2007 | 33% | 57% | 10% | 1990 |
| Jun 2007 | 33% | 54% | 13% | 1989 |
| Jan 2007 | 42% | 44% | 13% | 2006 |
| Sep 2006 | 37% | 54% | 9% | 1994 |
| Mar 2006 | 35% | 54% | 11% | 1992 |
| Oct 2005 | 42% | 46% | 11% | 1996 |

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Q28. Do you think things in the United States
are generally going in the right direction or the
wrong direction?

| | right direction | wrong direction | (VOL) don't know | Unweighted n |
|----------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------|
| Nov 2019 | 34% | 61% | 5% | 1677 |
| Jan 2019 | 30% | 66% | 3% | 1686 |
| Oct 2018 | 36% | 57% | 7% | 1693 |
| Dec 2017 | 29% | 65% | 6% | 1692 |
| May 2017 | 29% | 65% | 6% | 1689 |
| Jan 2017 | 36% | 57% | 7% | 1689 |
| Oct 2016 | 43% | 50% | 7% | 1697 |
| Mar 2016 | 40% | 56% | 4% | 1702 |
| Sep 2015 | 44% | 51% | 5% | 1690 |
| Mar 2015 | 40% | 54% | 6% | 1690 |
| Mar 2014 | 39% | 56% | 5% | 1691 |
| Dec 2013 | 35% | 57% | 7% | 1693 |
| Jan 2013 | 56% | 39% | 5% | 1701 |
| Oct 2012 | 46% | 49% | 5% | 1998 |
| Sep 2011 | 30% | 65% | 5% | 1989 |
| Oct 2010 | 36% | 58% | 6% | 1982 |
| Dec 2009 | 42% | 53% | 5% | 1997 |
| May 2009 | 57% | 37% | 6% | 2000 |
| Jan 2009 | 32% | 62% | 6% | 1993 |
| Aug 2008 | 21% | 74% | 5% | 1994 |
| Mar 2008 | 22% | 73% | 6% | 1997 |
| Jun 2007 | 31% | 63% | 6% | 1982 |
| Jan 2007 | 34% | 60% | 6% | 2003 |
| Oct 2006 | 31% | 62% | 7% | 1992 |
| Sep 2005 | 34% | 62% | 5% | 2002 |
| Jan 2005 | 43% | 51% | 5% | 1997 |
| Sep 2004 | 42% | 54% | 4% | 1995 |
| Sep 2003 | 42% | 51% | 7% | 1979 |

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Q29. Turning to economic conditions, do you think that during the next 12 months the United States will have good times financially or bad times?

| | good times | bad times | (VOL) don't know | Unweighted n |
|----------|------------|-----------|------------------|--------------|
| Nov 2019 | 47% | 43% | 10% | 1692 |
| Oct 2018 | 48% | 42% | 10% | 1695 |
| May 2017 | 39% | 50% | 11% | 1697 |
| Jan 2017 | 52% | 39% | 8% | 1692 |
| Oct 2016 | 46% | 39% | 15% | 1693 |
| Mar 2016 | 48% | 42% | 10% | 1702 |
| Sep 2015 | 48% | 45% | 7% | 1695 |
| Mar 2015 | 53% | 41% | 6% | 1686 |
| Mar 2014 | 45% | 48% | 7% | 1689 |
| Dec 2013 | 43% | 48% | 9% | 1693 |
| Oct 2012 | 45% | 46% | 10% | 1997 |
| Sep 2011 | 29% | 65% | 6% | 1995 |
| Sep 2010 | 35% | 58% | 7% | 1985 |
| Dec 2009 | 35% | 58% | 8% | 1999 |
| May 2009 | 33% | 61% | 6% | 2001 |
| Jan 2009 | 24% | 71% | 5% | 1995 |
| Aug 2008 | 23% | 70% | 7% | 1992 |
| Mar 2008 | 18% | 76% | 5% | 1998 |
| Jun 2007 | 39% | 53% | 8% | 1993 |
| Jan 2007 | 47% | 46% | 8% | 2006 |
| Oct 2006 | 44% | 46% | 9% | 1996 |
| Sep 2005 | 30% | 63% | 7% | 2002 |
| Jan 2005 | 48% | 43% | 9% | 1996 |
| Sep 2004 | 47% | 41% | 12% | 1996 |
| Sep 2003 | 47% | 42% | 11% | 1974 |

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Q31. 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...?

| | responsibility of government, single payer | responsibility of government, mix of private and government | not responsibility of government | don't know | responsibility of government, don't know | Unweighted n |
|----------|---|--|---|------------|---|-----------------|
| Nov 2019 | 30% | 28% | 35% | 3% | 5% | 1687 |
| Oct 2018 | 34% | 26% | 31% | 4% | 5% | 1682 |
| Sep 2017 | 35% | 29% | 31% | 2% | 3% | 1723 |

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Q33. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of the Democratic Party?

| | favorable | unfavorable | (VOL) don't know | Unweighted n |
|----------|-----------|-------------|------------------|--------------|
| Nov 2019 | 47% | 45% | 9% | 1675 |
| Oct 2018 | 46% | 41% | 12% | 1671 |
| Dec 2017 | 48% | 42% | 10% | 1681 |
| Oct 2016 | 53% | 37% | 9% | 1692 |
| May 2016 | 49% | 44% | 7% | 1687 |
| Dec 2015 | 51% | 40% | 9% | 1676 |
| Oct 2014 | 46% | 43% | 10% | 1680 |
| Dec 2013 | 52% | 39% | 9% | 1683 |
| Mar 2013 | 55% | 36% | 8% | 1686 |
| Oct 2012 | 58% | 35% | 7% | 1991 |
| Sep 2011 | 47% | 42% | 12% | 1984 |
| Oct 2010 | 47% | 43% | 10% | 1969 |
| Mar 2010 | 44% | 44% | 12% | 1972 |

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Q34. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of the Republican Party?

| | favorable | unfavorable | (VOL) don't know | Unweighted n |
|----------|-----------|-------------|------------------|--------------|
| Nov 2019 | 31% | 58% | 11% | 1670 |
| Oct 2018 | 29% | 61% | 11% | 1669 |
| Dec 2017 | 26% | 64% | 10% | 1692 |
| Oct 2016 | 23% | 69% | 8% | 1684 |
| May 2016 | 23% | 70% | 7% | 1684 |
| Dec 2015 | 30% | 61% | 9% | 1668 |
| Oct 2014 | 29% | 59% | 12% | 1676 |
| Dec 2013 | 33% | 57% | 11% | 1684 |
| Mar 2013 | 37% | 56% | 7% | 1681 |
| Oct 2012 | 35% | 56% | 9% | 1983 |
| Sep 2011 | 32% | 56% | 12% | 1991 |
| Oct 2010 | 28% | 60% | 12% | 1964 |
| Mar 2010 | 31% | 56% | 13% | 1967 |

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Q35. In your view, do the Republican and Democratic parties do an adequate job representing the American people, or do they do such a poor job that a third major party is needed?

| | adequate job | third party is needed | [VOL] don't know | Unweighted n |
|----------|--------------|-----------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Nov 2019 | 34% | 54% | 12% | 1651 |
| Oct 2018 | 32% | 55% | 13% | 1646 |
| Dec 2017 | 29% | 60% | 11% | 1675 |
| Oct 2016 | 32% | 58% | 10% | 1679 |
| Dec 2015 | 33% | 57% | 10% | 1668 |
| Oct 2014 | 29% | 58% | 13% | 1669 |
| Dec 2013 | 37% | 49% | 13% | 1664 |
| Mar 2013 | 39% | 51% | 10% | 1680 |
| Oct 2012 | 44% | 48% | 8% | 1972 |
| Sep 2011 | 37% | 51% | 12% | 1959 |
| Oct 2010 | 35% | 53% | 12% | 1963 |
| Mar 2010 | 36% | 53% | 11% | 1969 |
| Sep 2008 | 41% | 52% | 8% | 1977 |
| Oct 2006 | 38% | 53% | 10% | 1992 |
| Sep 2004 | 48% | 46% | 7% | 1988 |

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