

Californians and Their Government

May 2018

Time Trends – Likely Voters

Methodology Note:

Findings for May 2018 are based on a survey of 1,702 California adult residents, with 70 percent interviewed on cell phones (1,191 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 17 minutes to complete. Interviewing took place on weekend days and weekday nights May 11-20, 2018.

The May 2018 sampling error for the 901 likely voters, taking design effects from weighting into consideration, is ± 4.1 percent. 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.

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Q2. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of
the way that Jerry Brown is handling his job as
governor of California?

	approve	disapprove	[VOL] don't know	Unweighted n
May 2018	52%	41%	7%	899
Apr 2018	50%	42%	8%	863
Mar 2018	54%	41%	5%	924
Jan 2018	57%	36%	6%	1038
Dec 2017	53%	38%	9%	1066
Nov 2017	56%	37%	7%	1056
Sep 2017	55%	37%	8%	1096
Jul 2017	52%	36%	12%	1084
May 2017	50%	40%	9%	1012
Apr 2017	52%	38%	10%	1026
Mar 2017	61%	32%	7%	1061
Jan 2017	62%	31%	7%	1102
Dec 2016	59%	33%	8%	1112
Oct 2016	56%	32%	12%	1020
Sep 2016	55%	38%	7%	1050
Jul 2016	53%	36%	11%	1048
May 2016	50%	39%	10%	985
Apr 2016	56%	35%	9%	993
Mar 2016	53%	36%	11%	1031
Jan 2016	60%	31%	9%	1036
Dec 2015	54%	35%	11%	1097
Sep 2015	55%	35%	10%	1054
Jul 2015	55%	37%	9%	1054
Jun 2015	54%	36%	10%	1041
Apr 2015	53%	37%	11%	1063
Mar 2015	56%	36%	8%	1056
Jan 2015	58%	33%	9%	1006
Dec 2014	57%	34%	9%	1050
Oct 2014	54%	37%	9%	966
Sep 2014	55%	36%	9%	908
Jul 2014	56%	34%	9%	971
May 2014	54%	35%	11%	1029
Apr 2014	56%	31%	13%	1068
Mar 2014	52%	35%	13%	1080
Jan 2014	60%	32%	8%	1138
Dec 2013	49%	38%	13%	1077
Sep 2013	49%	39%	12%	1092
Jul 2013	54%	31%	15%	1267
May 2013	48%	40%	11%	1117
Apr 2013	49%	41%	10%	1124
Mar 2013	48%	39%	13%	1132
Jan 2013	50%	36%	14%	1110
Dec 2012	49%	40%	11%	1433
Oct 2012	45%	43%	12%	1331

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the way that Jerry Brown is handling his job as
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	approve	disapprove	[VOL] don't know	Unweighted n
Sep 2012	42%	47%	11%	1322
Aug 2012	46%	42%	11%	1551
May 2012	42%	43%	14%	1248
Apr 2012	47%	40%	12%	1196
Mar 2012	46%	38%	16%	1160
Jan 2012	44%	38%	17%	1297
Dec 2011	46%	36%	17%	1288
Nov 2011	47%	38%	15%	1622
Sep 2011	45%	35%	20%	1350
Jul 2011	48%	35%	17%	1631
Jun 2011	46%	28%	25%	1400
Apr 2011	46%	32%	21%	1640
Mar 2011	41%	25%	34%	1363
Feb 2011	41%	17%	43%	1552
Jan 2011	47%	20%	33%	1380

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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 2018	42%	48%	10%	895
Apr 2018	42%	49%	9%	864
Mar 2018	45%	46%	8%	924
Jan 2018	50%	41%	9%	1036
Dec 2017	46%	44%	10%	1065
Nov 2017	45%	46%	9%	1053
Sep 2017	44%	47%	9%	1098
Jul 2017	45%	42%	13%	1088
May 2017	41%	46%	12%	1012
Apr 2017	44%	45%	11%	1033
Mar 2017	48%	41%	11%	1057
Jan 2017	50%	38%	11%	1101
Dec 2016	45%	44%	11%	1115
Oct 2016	43%	43%	14%	1016
Sep 2016	42%	48%	9%	1050
Jul 2016	42%	48%	10%	1045
May 2016	38%	49%	13%	982
Apr 2016	40%	51%	9%	993
Mar 2016	38%	50%	12%	1029
Jan 2016	41%	48%	11%	1034
Dec 2015	38%	48%	14%	1100
Sep 2015	39%	47%	15%	1056
Jul 2015	32%	54%	13%	1055
Jun 2015	30%	52%	18%	1043
Apr 2015	36%	55%	9%	1061
Mar 2015	39%	50%	11%	1059
Jan 2015	41%	47%	13%	1003
Dec 2014	39%	51%	10%	1046
Oct 2014	37%	51%	13%	969
Sep 2014	32%	54%	14%	901
Jul 2014	31%	56%	13%	972
May 2014	36%	54%	11%	1027
Apr 2014	29%	56%	15%	1074
Mar 2014	32%	57%	12%	1084
Jan 2014	33%	57%	10%	1145
Dec 2013	32%	56%	12%	1077
Sep 2013	32%	57%	10%	1095
Jul 2013	33%	55%	12%	1272
May 2013	29%	59%	12%	1125
Apr 2013	29%	64%	7%	1129
Mar 2013	25%	61%	14%	1130
Jan 2013	31%	55%	14%	1115

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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
Dec 2012	26%	61%	13%	1434
Oct 2012	21%	68%	11%	1329
Sep 2012	22%	68%	10%	1325
Aug 2012	21%	69%	10%	1560
May 2012	17%	71%	11%	1248
Apr 2012	15%	73%	12%	1199
Mar 2012	21%	66%	14%	1162
Jan 2012	17%	71%	12%	1297
Dec 2011	16%	69%	15%	1293
Nov 2011	17%	70%	13%	1634
Sep 2011	17%	71%	12%	1363
Jul 2011	15%	74%	11%	1639
Jun 2011	17%	72%	11%	1404
Apr 2011	14%	74%	12%	1644
Mar 2011	16%	70%	14%	1360
Feb 2011	20%	63%	17%	1558
Jan 2011	18%	68%	14%	1390
Nov 2010	9%	82%	9%	1673
Oct 2010	10%	86%	3%	1238
Sep 2010	11%	85%	4%	1214
Jul 2010	10%	82%	8%	1462
May 2010	11%	80%	8%	1247
Apr 2010	11%	79%	9%	1540
Mar 2010	9%	85%	6%	1235
Jan 2010	12%	80%	7%	1299
Dec 2009	10%	83%	7%	1077
Nov 2009	10%	80%	10%	1630
Sep 2009	16%	76%	8%	1339
Jul 2009	10%	84%	6%	1563
May 2009	12%	80%	8%	1213
Apr 2009	16%	74%	10%	1596
Mar 2009	11%	80%	10%	1136
Feb 2009	14%	75%	10%	1564
Jan 2009	15%	76%	9%	1387
Nov 2008	20%	69%	11%	1633
Oct 2008	22%	70%	8%	1280
Sep 2008	16%	76%	9%	1277
Aug 2008	20%	74%	6%	1183
May 2008	23%	65%	12%	1224
Apr 2008	22%	66%	12%	1517
Mar 2008	25%	64%	11%	1219
Jan 2008	27%	61%	12%	1226

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	approve	disapprove	[VOL] don't know	Unweighted n
Dec 2007	35%	54%	10%	1146
Oct 2007	32%	54%	14%	1574
Sep 2007	29%	59%	11%	1158
Jun 2007	35%	47%	18%	1106
May 2007	36%	51%	14%	1127
Apr 2007	35%	51%	14%	1510
Mar 2007	39%	47%	14%	1233
Jan 2007	37%	49%	14%	1274
Oct 2006	26%	61%	13%	1188
Sep 2006	32%	55%	13%	1207
Aug 2006	27%	61%	12%	1105
May 2006	23%	61%	15%	1093
Mar 2006	23%	65%	12%	1002
Jan 2006	25%	63%	12%	1256
Jan 2006	23%	60%	17%	1443
Oct 2005	21%	65%	14%	1161
Sep 2005	28%	60%	12%	1111
Aug 2005	23%	64%	13%	1052
May 2005	24%	63%	12%	1237
Jan 2005	33%	57%	11%	1230
Oct 2004	40%	46%	14%	1210
Sep 2004	37%	51%	12%	1191
Aug 2004	37%	52%	11%	1183
Jun 2004	38%	51%	11%	1346
May 2004	35%	52%	13%	1098
Jan 2004	34%	50%	16%	977
Aug 2003	22%	68%	10%	1067
Jun 2003	29%	58%	13%	1032
Feb 2003	29%	55%	16%	1071
Sep 2002	40%	45%	15%	1029
Jan 2002	46%	43%	11%	967
Dec 2001	50%	36%	14%	939
Jan 2001	56%	32%	12%	1085
Sep 2000	56%	34%	11%	1089

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Q4. Turning to economic conditions in California, do you think that during the next 12 months we will have good times financially or bad times?

	good times	bad times	[VOL] don't know	Unweighted n
May 2018	50%	40%	10%	897
Jan 2018	56%	34%	10%	1036
Sep 2017	51%	42%	7%	1099
Mar 2017	50%	41%	10%	1060
Jan 2017	51%	34%	15%	1100
Oct 2016	46%	40%	14%	1019
Sep 2016	47%	42%	11%	1048
May 2016	45%	43%	12%	983
Mar 2016	46%	45%	9%	1030
Jan 2016	44%	46%	11%	1034
Dec 2015	47%	43%	10%	1106
Sep 2015	46%	44%	10%	1060
Jun 2015	44%	44%	11%	1041
Mar 2015	49%	39%	12%	1055
Jan 2015	54%	36%	10%	1001
Dec 2014	51%	40%	9%	1047
Oct 2014	42%	47%	11%	970
Sep 2014	44%	46%	10%	906
May 2014	44%	46%	10%	1033
Mar 2014	42%	48%	10%	1084
Jan 2014	46%	47%	8%	1139
Dec 2013	38%	52%	10%	1076
Sep 2013	44%	46%	10%	1095
Jun 2013	46%	44%	10%	1431
May 2013	45%	46%	9%	1117
Mar 2013	41%	52%	8%	1131
Jan 2013	44%	44%	11%	1110
Dec 2012	37%	55%	8%	1428
Oct 2012	34%	53%	12%	1329
Sep 2012	29%	63%	9%	1321
May 2012	27%	65%	9%	1242
Mar 2012	28%	62%	11%	1165
Jan 2012	27%	65%	8%	1294
Dec 2011	22%	68%	10%	1288
Sep 2011	19%	74%	7%	1357
Jun 2011	20%	70%	10%	1483
Jun 2011	29%	63%	8%	1401
Mar 2011	26%	65%	8%	1362
Feb 2011	31%	57%	12%	1558
Jan 2011	28%	63%	9%	1392
Oct 2010	20%	65%	14%	1220

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Q4. Turning to economic conditions in California, do you think that during the next 12 months we will have good times financially or bad times?

	good times	bad times	[VOL] don't know	Unweighted n
Sep 2010	24%	62%	13%	1206
Jul 2010	19%	74%	7%	1461
May 2010	22%	71%	7%	1243
Mar 2010	21%	72%	7%	1230
Jan 2010	17%	76%	7%	1299
Dec 2009	20%	73%	6%	1078
Nov 2009	17%	75%	7%	1627
Sep 2009	22%	71%	7%	1337
Jul 2009	13%	81%	6%	1568
Jun 2009	18%	77%	5%	1502
May 2009	19%	75%	6%	1217
Mar 2009	15%	79%	6%	1136
Feb 2009	13%	83%	4%	1565
Jan 2009	13%	82%	5%	1389
Nov 2008	17%	75%	9%	1636
Oct 2008	15%	77%	8%	1277
Sep 2008	17%	72%	11%	1281
Aug 2008	17%	75%	8%	1182
Jul 2008	14%	80%	7%	1454
Jun 2008	12%	82%	6%	1422
May 2008	16%	75%	9%	1220
Mar 2008	12%	80%	8%	1221
Jan 2008	18%	74%	9%	1227
Dec 2007	23%	68%	9%	1150
Sep 2007	29%	62%	9%	1157
Jun 2007	43%	47%	10%	1106
May 2007	41%	47%	12%	1122
Mar 2007	41%	49%	11%	1233
Jan 2007	52%	37%	11%	1274
Oct 2006	52%	35%	13%	1186
Sep 2006	48%	40%	12%	1209
Aug 2006	45%	43%	12%	1100
Jul 2006	42%	43%	15%	1351
May 2006	39%	48%	12%	1093
Mar 2006	50%	38%	12%	1000
Feb 2006	46%	42%	12%	1232
Jan 2006	49%	40%	11%	1252
Jan 2006	43%	45%	12%	1446
Oct 2005	35%	54%	11%	1159
Sep 2005	33%	57%	10%	1110
Aug 2005	42%	47%	12%	1054
Jul 2005	45%	39%	16%	1459

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Q4. Turning to economic conditions in California, do you think that during the next 12 months we will have good times financially or bad times?

	good times	bad times	[VOL] don't know	Unweighted n
May 2005	44%	45%	11%	1241
Apr 2005	38%	51%	11%	1470
Jan 2005	47%	38%	15%	1227
Oct 2004	45%	40%	15%	1209
Sep 2004	48%	39%	14%	1195
Aug 2004	46%	40%	14%	1181
Jul 2004	50%	39%	12%	1445
Jun 2004	42%	45%	12%	1336
May 2004	43%	43%	14%	1099
Feb 2004	42%	45%	13%	1007
Jan 2004	51%	34%	15%	979
Nov 2003	40%	45%	15%	1183
Oct 2003	34%	44%	22%	1119
Sep 2003	31%	51%	18%	1133
Aug 2003	27%	56%	17%	1057
Jul 2003	29%	62%	9%	1153
Jun 2003	25%	66%	9%	1025
Feb 2003	15%	76%	9%	1075
Nov 2002	45%	46%	9%	913
Oct 2002	35%	53%	12%	1046
Sep 2002	40%	50%	10%	1036
Aug 2002	35%	53%	12%	969
Feb 2002	46%	47%	7%	950
Jan 2002	46%	48%	6%	971
Dec 2001	35%	59%	6%	947
Jan 2001	52%	36%	12%	1090
Aug 2000	78%	16%	7%	1013
Feb 2000	81%	11%	8%	1012
Dec 1999	79%	15%	6%	910
Sep 1999	76%	19%	5%	914

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Q7. California now has a top-two primary system for statewide races in which voters can cast ballots for any candidate. If the June primary for governor were being held today, and these were the candidates, who would you vote for?

	Travis Allen, a Republican, California Assemblyman/Bu sinessman	John Chiang, a Democrat, California State Treasurer	John Cox, a Republican, businessman/Tax payer Advocate	Delaine Eastin, a Democrat, educator/Youth Advocate	Gavin Newsom, a Democrat, Lieutenant Governor/ Businessman	Antonio Villaraigosa, a Democrat, Public Policy Advisor	Doug Ose, a Republican	or someone else (SPECIFY)	[VOL] don't know	Unweighted n
May 2018	11%	9%	19%	6%	25%	15%	NA	1%	15%	890
Apr 2018	10%	7%	15%	6%	26%	13%	NA	1%	22%	859
Mar 2018	10%	6%	14%	5%	28%	12%	NA	1%	24%	920
Jan 2018	8%	9%	7%	4%	23%	21%	3%	1%	24%	1030
Dec 2017	6%	9%	9%	3%	23%	18%	NA	0%	30%	1052

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Q8. How closely are you following news about candidates for the 2018 governor's election- very closely, fairly closely, not too closely, or not at all closely?

	very closely	fairly closely	not too closely	not at all closely	[VOL] don't know	Unweighted n
May 2018	19%	39%	30%	11%	1%	900
Apr 2018	18%	36%	32%	13%	1%	862
Mar 2018	14%	34%	35%	16%	0%	931
Jan 2018	7%	23%	39%	30%	0%	1041
Dec 2017	7%	18%	45%	29%	1%	1070
Oct 2016	60%	32%	6%	1%	0%	1024
Sep 2016	61%	33%	5%	1%	0%	1053
Jul 2016	53%	38%	7%	2%	0%	1055
May 2016	55%	34%	9%	3%	0%	990
Apr 2016	57%	35%	6%	1%	0%	997
Mar 2016	52%	37%	9%	2%	1%	1039
Jan 2016	45%	37%	14%	3%	0%	1043
Oct 2014	18%	34%	34%	13%	1%	974
Sep 2014	12%	40%	28%	19%	0%	915
Jul 2014	11%	42%	31%	15%	1%	983
May 2014	8%	31%	41%	19%	1%	1037
Apr 2014	9%	23%	40%	27%	1%	1077
Mar 2014	7%	23%	39%	29%	2%	1089
Jan 2014	7%	21%	50%	21%	0%	1151
Dec 2013	5%	17%	40%	37%	1%	1080
Oct 2012	58%	35%	6%	1%	0%	1335
Sep 2012	53%	37%	9%	1%	0%	1331
Aug 2012	40%	44%	12%	3%	0%	1568
May 2012	42%	44%	12%	2%	0%	1255
Apr 2012	43%	42%	12%	3%	0%	1206
Mar 2012	41%	42%	14%	2%	0%	1167
Jan 2012	36%	49%	13%	3%	0%	1305
Dec 2011	40%	42%	14%	3%	0%	1298
Oct 2010	39%	50%	9%	2%	0%	1238
Sep 2010	30%	51%	16%	2%	0%	1219
Jul 2010	22%	48%	23%	7%	0%	1466
May 2010	21%	46%	27%	6%	0%	1251
Mar 2010	17%	46%	28%	8%	0%	1238
Jan 2010	11%	34%	42%	12%	1%	1302
Dec 2009	10%	33%	36%	20%	1%	1078
Nov 2008	62%	30%	5%	2%	1%	1640
Oct 2008	54%	37%	7%	2%	0%	1282
Sep 2008	52%	39%	7%	1%	0%	1283
Aug 2008	39%	49%	10%	2%	1%	1184
Jul 2008	42%	44%	12%	2%	0%	1456
May 2008	47%	43%	7%	2%	0%	1229
Mar 2008	50%	42%	7%	1%	0%	1222

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Q8. How closely are you following news about candidates for the 2018 governor's election- very closely, fairly closely, not too closely, or not at all closely?

	very closely	fairly closely	not too closely	not at all closely	[VOL] don't know	Unweighted n
Jan 2008	44%	44%	10%	2%	0%	1233
Dec 2007	26%	52%	19%	3%	0%	1153
Sep 2007	29%	54%	14%	3%	0%	1164
Jul 2007	30%	49%	17%	4%	0%	1416
Jun 2007	21%	52%	23%	4%	0%	1115
May 2007	30%	48%	17%	5%	0%	1130
Mar 2007	25%	44%	25%	6%	0%	1239
Oct 2006	19%	55%	20%	5%	0%	1191
Sep 2006	17%	57%	20%	6%	0%	1213
Aug 2006	15%	49%	28%	8%	1%	1106
Jul 2006	19%	49%	24%	7%	0%	1353
May 2006	18%	50%	24%	6%	1%	1093
Apr 2006	16%	44%	29%	11%	0%	1267
Mar 2006	13%	39%	34%	14%	0%	1008
Oct 2004	61%	34%	4%	1%	1%	1217
Sep 2004	51%	39%	8%	3%	0%	1204
Aug 2004	48%	41%	9%	2%	0%	1188
Feb 2004	33%	47%	14%	6%	0%	1015
Jan 2004	22%	40%	25%	13%	0%	982
Sep 2003	49%	43%	6%	1%	0%	1149
Aug 2003	45%	44%	8%	2%	0%	1068
Oct 2002	22%	53%	20%	4%	0%	1051
Sep 2002	28%	52%	16%	4%	0%	1036
Aug 2002	22%	54%	19%	4%	0%	974
Feb 2002	13%	43%	35%	9%	0%	958
Jan 2002	12%	39%	33%	15%	1%	976
Jan 2001	72%	21%	5%	2%	0%	1095
Oct 2000	56%	34%	8%	2%	0%	1090
Sep 2000	48%	39%	10%	3%	0%	1095
Aug 2000	41%	44%	11%	4%	0%	1014
Feb 2000	21%	55%	20%	4%	0%	1014
Jan 2000	14%	51%	29%	6%	0%	985
Dec 1999	16%	52%	26%	5%	0%	910
Sep 1999	20%	57%	20%	3%	0%	914
Jan 1999	19%	59%	19%	3%	0%	1054
Oct 1998	13%	50%	30%	7%	0%	1111
Sep 1998	9%	45%	35%	11%	1%	1046
May 1998	13%	49%	32%	7%	0%	952
Apr 1998	9%	43%	39%	9%	0%	993

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Q9. In general, would you say you are satisfied or not satisfied with your choices of candidates in the primary election for governor this June?

	satisfied	not satisfied	[VOL] don't know	Unweighted n
May 2018	64%	27%	9%	898
Mar 2018	55%	29%	16%	922
Jan 2018	54%	26%	20%	1037
Dec 2017	48%	31%	22%	1063
May 2014	51%	32%	17%	1029
Mar 2014	40%	36%	25%	1079
Jan 2014	43%	34%	23%	1143
Dec 2013	40%	32%	29%	1075
Mar 2010	46%	38%	15%	1233
Dec 2009	32%	42%	26%	1075

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Q10. In deciding who to vote for in the election for governor, how important to you are the candidates' performances in public debates - very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important?

	very important	somewhat important	not too important	not at all important	[VOL] don't know	Unweighted n
May 2018	41%	41%	12%	6%	1%	900
Sep 2006	32%	40%	17%	10%	1%	1027
May 2006	30%	43%	15%	11%	1%	1094
Sep 2003	27%	40%	16%	14%	2%	1147

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Q11. Keeping in mind that California has the top-two primary system, if the June primary for U.S. Senator were being held today, and these were the candidates, who would you vote for?

	Kevin De Leon, a Democrat, California Senator	Dianne Feinstein, a Democrat, US Senator	or someone else (SPECIFY)	[VOL] don't know	Unweighted n
May 2018	17%	41%	5%	36%	882
Mar 2018	16%	42%	2%	39%	917
Jan 2018	17%	46%	3%	33%	1036
Dec 2017	21%	45%	1%	33%	1057

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Q12. In general, would you say you are
 satisfied or not satisfied with your choices of
 candidates in the primary election for US
 Senator this June?

	satisfied	not satisfied	[VOL] don't know	Unweighted n
May 2018	50%	40%	11%	899
Mar 2018	47%	44%	9%	923
Mar 2010	55%	28%	17%	1234

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Q13. If the 2018 election for U.S. House of Representatives were being held today, would you vote for [ROTATE] [1] the Republican candidate [OR] [2] the Democratic candidate in your district?

	Rep/lean Rep	Dem/lean Dem	[VOL] don't know	Unweighted n
May 2018	38%	52%	10%	891
Mar 2018	39%	53%	8%	917
Oct 2014	41%	48%	11%	954
Oct 2006	36%	48%	11%	1184
Oct 2000	41%	47%	11%	1089
Sep 2000	41%	47%	10%	1091

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Q20. 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
May 2018	38%	58%	4%	889
Mar 2018	37%	61%	2%	920
Jan 2018	32%	67%	1%	1038
Dec 2017	34%	63%	3%	1058
Sep 2017	31%	66%	3%	1095
Jul 2017	34%	63%	3%	1085
May 2017	33%	63%	3%	1013
Mar 2017	35%	62%	3%	1058
Jan 2017	34%	55%	11%	1094

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Q21. 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
May 2018	18%	78%	5%	891
Mar 2018	22%	74%	4%	925
Jan 2018	15%	81%	3%	1040
Dec 2017	15%	80%	4%	1068
Sep 2017	18%	79%	3%	1098
Jul 2017	17%	78%	5%	1091
May 2017	19%	76%	5%	1017
Mar 2017	27%	68%	6%	1059
Jan 2017	25%	68%	7%	1098
Oct 2016	17%	77%	6%	1024
Sep 2016	16%	81%	3%	1054
Jul 2016	17%	80%	3%	1051
May 2016	15%	82%	3%	985
Mar 2016	14%	83%	2%	1038
Jan 2016	19%	78%	3%	1040
Dec 2015	14%	81%	5%	1111
Sep 2015	17%	79%	4%	1065
Jul 2015	17%	78%	6%	1057
Jun 2015	20%	74%	6%	1045
Mar 2015	16%	80%	4%	1057
Jan 2015	24%	71%	5%	1008
Oct 2014	16%	79%	5%	970
Sep 2014	16%	80%	5%	907
Jul 2014	15%	83%	2%	976
May 2014	14%	82%	4%	1034
Mar 2014	9%	87%	4%	1091
Jan 2014	15%	82%	3%	1150
Dec 2013	10%	86%	4%	1078
Sep 2013	18%	79%	3%	1086
Jul 2013	18%	77%	4%	1268
May 2013	19%	77%	5%	1124
Mar 2013	16%	81%	3%	1132
Jan 2013	21%	73%	6%	1113
Oct 2012	15%	81%	4%	1332
Sep 2012	17%	78%	5%	1325
Aug 2012	15%	81%	4%	1562
May 2012	16%	78%	5%	1252
Mar 2012	17%	79%	4%	1163
Jan 2012	14%	82%	4%	1300
Dec 2011	9%	88%	3%	1293
Sep 2011	15%	79%	6%	1360
Jul 2011	17%	78%	5%	1638

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Q21. 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
Mar 2011	22%	69%	9%	1365
Oct 2010	26%	71%	3%	1233
Sep 2010	21%	74%	5%	1214
May 2010	26%	68%	6%	1250
Mar 2010	14%	82%	4%	1231
Jan 2010	29%	65%	6%	1296
Dec 2009	29%	66%	5%	1076
Sep 2009	34%	60%	6%	1338
May 2009	39%	53%	7%	1216
Mar 2009	35%	58%	7%	1134
Jan 2009	30%	64%	6%	1389
Oct 2008	18%	78%	4%	1281
Sep 2008	26%	67%	7%	1280
Aug 2008	22%	72%	6%	1180
Mar 2008	30%	63%	7%	1220
Dec 2007	23%	72%	5%	1147
Sep 2007	28%	66%	6%	1160
Jun 2007	30%	62%	9%	1106
Jan 2007	37%	51%	12%	1276
Sep 2006	31%	63%	6%	1207
Mar 2006	31%	62%	7%	1004
Oct 2005	37%	55%	8%	1164

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Q23. How much of the time do you think you can trust the STATE government in Sacramento to do what is right - just about always, most of the time, or only some of the time?

	just about always	most of the time	only some of the time	[VOL] none of the time	[VOL] don't know	Unweighted n
May 2018	6%	32%	48%	13%	1%	901
Jun 2015	2%	25%	62%	9%	2%	1046
Dec 2014	5%	26%	61%	8%	0%	1058
May 2014	3%	24%	61%	11%	1%	1037
Dec 2013	2%	21%	64%	12%	1%	1077
May 2013	4%	17%	69%	10%	1%	1127
Oct 2012	2%	20%	68%	10%	1%	1337
Dec 2011	2%	13%	70%	14%	1%	1294
Jun 2011	2%	16%	72%	9%	1%	1405
Oct 2010	1%	14%	69%	15%	1%	1235
Sep 2009	2%	16%	71%	10%	1%	1341
May 2009	2%	14%	70%	13%	1%	1218
Aug 2008	3%	25%	63%	8%	1%	1184
Mar 2008	2%	24%	65%	6%	2%	1221
Sep 2007	3%	22%	69%	6%	1%	1163
Mar 2007	2%	28%	64%	5%	1%	1238
Aug 2006	3%	20%	72%	5%	1%	1107
Aug 2005	2%	22%	69%	6%	2%	1058
May 2005	4%	23%	65%	6%	1%	1239
Jan 2005	3%	25%	65%	6%	1%	1234
May 2004	3%	25%	66%	6%	1%	1102
Jan 2004	4%	22%	66%	7%	1%	979
Oct 2003	3%	22%	69%	5%	1%	1135
Sep 2003	3%	18%	66%	12%	2%	1147
Jun 2003	2%	29%	63%	5%	1%	1032
Feb 2003	3%	25%	66%	5%	1%	1081
Dec 2002	4%	26%	64%	5%	1%	1089
Aug 2002	3%	30%	61%	5%	1%	974
Jan 2002	3%	41%	54%	1%	1%	976
Jan 2001	5%	41%	50%	2%	1%	1095
Jan 1999	2%	35%	61%	1%	1%	1055

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Q24. How much of the time do you think you can trust the FEDERAL government in Washington today to do what is right - just about always, most of the time, or only some of the time?

	just about always	most of the time	only some of the time	[VOL] none of the time	[VOL] don't know	Unweighted n
May 2018	3%	15%	68%	13%	1%	897
Mar 2017	2%	18%	69%	10%	1%	1067
Oct 2016	4%	26%	57%	12%	0%	1020
Jun 2015	3%	18%	69%	9%	1%	1044
May 2014	3%	16%	68%	11%	1%	1035
Dec 2013	2%	14%	71%	12%	1%	1078
Oct 2012	5%	20%	68%	6%	0%	1334
Dec 2011	1%	8%	77%	13%	0%	1297
Oct 2010	3%	23%	63%	10%	1%	1237
May 2009	3%	28%	61%	7%	1%	1218
Oct 2008	2%	18%	69%	11%	1%	1281
Mar 2008	2%	18%	71%	8%	1%	1218
Sep 2007	2%	16%	71%	10%	1%	1162
Mar 2007	3%	21%	70%	6%	1%	1239
Oct 2006	4%	19%	64%	12%	1%	1190
Oct 2005	4%	22%	64%	10%	1%	1166
Jan 2005	4%	26%	62%	7%	1%	1234
Feb 2004	4%	21%	61%	12%	2%	1013
Feb 2003	4%	31%	61%	3%	1%	1079
Dec 2002	4%	29%	61%	5%	1%	1089
Aug 2002	6%	28%	61%	4%	1%	971
Jan 2002	5%	36%	56%	1%	1%	976
Oct 2000	3%	29%	63%	4%	1%	1088
Jan 2000	3%	28%	63%	5%	1%	984
Dec 1999	4%	27%	64%	4%	0%	910
Sep 1998	4%	27%	64%	4%	0%	1046
May 1998	3%	22%	60%	14%	1%	950
Apr 1998	2%	23%	63%	11%	0%	991

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Q25. Please indicate which comes closest to your own view. [1] Immigrants today are a benefit to California because of their hard work and job skills [OR] [2] Immigrants today are a burden to California because they use public services.

	immigrants are a benefit to California	immigrants are a burden to California	[VOL] don't know	Unweighted n
May 2018	67%	28%	5%	873
Sep 2017	72%	25%	3%	1084
Jan 2016	61%	32%	8%	1014
Sep 2015	56%	37%	7%	1048
Jan 2015	53%	41%	6%	990
Sep 2014	51%	41%	8%	891
Mar 2014	58%	35%	7%	1072
May 2013	53%	41%	6%	1106
Jan 2013	54%	39%	7%	1096
Mar 2012	51%	39%	10%	1143
Sep 2010	47%	44%	9%	1193
Mar 2010	47%	47%	6%	1212
Sep 2009	52%	41%	7%	1318
Aug 2008	48%	45%	7%	1164
Mar 2008	52%	41%	7%	1203
Dec 2007	51%	42%	7%	1136
Jun 2007	48%	42%	10%	1094
Mar 2007	54%	39%	7%	1221
Sep 2006	50%	42%	8%	1199
Sep 2005	50%	41%	9%	1104
Feb 2004	49%	41%	10%	994
Dec 2001	52%	38%	10%	938
Feb 2000	52%	35%	13%	998
Apr 1998	44%	43%	13%	979

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Q26. Which comes closer to your view about
how to handle undocumented immigrants who
are living in the US... [ROTATE] [1] There
should be a way for them to stay in the country
legally, if certain requirements are met [OR] [2]
They should

	allowed to stay legally	not allowed to stay legally	[VOL] don't know	Unweighted n
May 2018	80%	17%	3%	889
Dec 2017	81%	17%	2%	1064
Jan 2017	83%	15%	2%	1097
Sep 2016	80%	18%	2%	1048
May 2016	75%	22%	3%	982
Jan 2016	78%	21%	1%	1032

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Q28. As you may know, a health reform bill was signed into law in 2010. Given what you know about the health reform law, do you have a [rotate] [1] [generally favorable] [or] [2] [generally unfavorable] opinion of it?

	generally favorable	generally unfavorable	[VOL] don't know	Unweighted n
May 2018	45%	45%	10%	892
Sep 2017	58%	38%	4%	1101
May 2017	49%	46%	5%	1014
Jan 2017	53%	40%	7%	1098
Dec 2015	49%	46%	5%	1106
Mar 2015	48%	47%	4%	1060
Jan 2015	48%	46%	6%	1006
Dec 2014	45%	47%	8%	1055
Oct 2014	46%	46%	7%	972
Sep 2014	45%	49%	6%	911
May 2014	47%	48%	6%	1033
Mar 2014	44%	50%	7%	1087
Jan 2014	45%	49%	6%	1143
Dec 2013	42%	51%	7%	1076

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Q29. Do you favor or oppose having guaranteed health insurance coverage in which all Californians would get their insurance through a single state government health plan? IF FAVOR: do you favor it even if it means raising taxes?

	Favor, even if it means raising taxes	Favor, not if it means raising taxes	oppose	[VOL] don't know	Unweighted n
May 2018	41%	12%	41%	6%	895
May 2017	43%	13%	37%	6%	1016

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Q32. Do you think the Russian government tried to influence the outcome of the 2016 U.S. presidential election, or not? Do you think some members of Donald Trump's campaign intentionally helped...?

	yes, Trump campaign helped	yes, Trump campaign didn't help	no	don't know	yes, don't know if Trump campaign helped	Unweighted n
May 2018	50%	18%	22%	4%	6%	895
Sep 2017	50%	12%	31%	4%	3%	1101
May 2017	47%	9%	32%	7%	5%	1013

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