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## U.S. VOTERS BACK 2-1 SENDING TROOPS TO FIGHT ISIS, QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY NATIONAL POLL FINDS; VOTERS SAY 3-1 KEEP UN-VACCINATED KIDS OUT OF SCHOOL

American voters support $62-30$ percent sending U.S. ground troops to fight ISIS in Iraq and Syria, with strong support across all party, gender and age groups, according to a Quinnipiac University National poll released today.

Men back U.S. troop deployment 68-28 percent, while women support it $57-33$ percent, the independent Quinnipiac (KWIN-uh-pe-ack) University Poll finds.

A total of 69 percent of American voters are "very confident" or "somewhat confident" that the U.S. and its allies will defeat ISIS. Only 39 percent of voters are concerned that U.S. military action will go "too far" in getting involved in the situation, while 53 percent are more concerned the U.S. military "will not go far enough in stopping ISIS."

Voters say $64-23$ percent Congress should grant the authorization requested by President Barack Obama to use military force against ISIS.

And voters say $72-19$ percent that the U.S. should never pay ransom to terrorists who are holding American hostages. This opinion is shared by every listed group.
"Send in the troops and eliminate ISIS: The resounding hardline message from Americans who say, 'Don't negotiate with terrorists; destroy them,'" said Tim Malloy, assistant director of the Quinnipiac University Poll.

American voters believe 63-28 percent that President Obama loves America.
Voters give him a negative $41-52$ percent job approval rating, his best score since a negative 42 - 50 percent job approval in an April 2, 2014, survey. Men disapprove $56-38$ percent while women disapprove 48-43 percent.
"Most Americans believe President Obama loves America, but they are not in love with his job performance," Malloy added.

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Republicans in Congress get a negative $22-69$ percent approval rating, while Democrats in Congress get a negative $28-62$ percent score.

By a $47-42$ percent margin American voters trust Republicans in Congress more than President Obama to make decisions good for the country.

In an open-ended question, allowing for any answer, 21 percent of voters say the economy is the most important problem facing the nation. Obama gets a negative $44-50$ percent approval rating for handling the economy. His approval ratings on other issues are:

- Negative $35-55$ percent for foreign policy;
- Negative 39-54 percent for terrorism;
- Negative 38-56 percent for immigration;
- Negative 35 - 55 percent for ISIS.


## Immigration

Voters oppose 55-40 percent Obama's executive order allowing some undocumented immigrants to remain in the U.S. The president exceeded his authority with this order, voters say $51-41$ percent.

But voters oppose $62-30$ percent Congress partially shutting down the Department of Homeland Security to block this executive action on immigration. Voters say $50-37$ percent they will hold Republicans in Congress, rather than Obama, responsible for such a shutdown.
"Voters think President Obama exceeded his authority by unilaterally allowing some undocumented immigrants to remain in the U.S.," Malloy said. "But they make it clear Republicans in Congress will take the fall if Homeland Security is jeopardized to counterpunch the executive order."

## Vaccination

American voters say $70-23$ percent that children who have not received standard vaccinations should not be allowed to attend school or childcare facilities.

There is virtually no gender gap and feelings are strong among party and age groups.
"American voters say 3-1, 'No shots, no school,"" Malloy said.
From February 26 - March 2, Quinnipiac University surveyed 1,286 registered voters nationwide with a margin of error of $+/-2.7$ percentage points. Live interviewers call land lines and cell phones.

The Quinnipiac University Poll, directed by Douglas Schwartz, Ph.D., conducts public opinion surveys in Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Florida, Ohio, Virginia, Iowa, Colorado and the nation as a public service and for research.

For more information, visit http://www.quinnipiac.edu/polling, call (203) 582-5201, or follow us on Twitter @QuinnipiacPoll.
7. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President?

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | AGE IN | YRS. |  |
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|  | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | 18-34 | 35-54 | $55+$ |
| Approve | 41\% | 8\% | 81\% | 40\% | 38\% | 43\% | 48\% | 38\% | 40\% |
| Disapprove | 52 | 89 | 14 | 52 | 56 | 48 | 43 | 53 | 54 |
| DK/NA | 7 | 4 | 6 | 8 | 5 | 9 | 9 | 8 | 5 |

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President? (* High also 59\% Mar 2009)

|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar } 04 \\ & 2015 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Nov } 25 \\ & 2014 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jul } 02 \\ & 2014 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Apr } 02 \\ & 2014 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan } 22 \\ & 2014 \end{aligned}$ | APPROVE. |  |
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|  |  |  |  |  |  | High | Low |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Jun 04 | Dec 10 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 2009* | 2013 |
| Approve | 41 | 39 | 40 | 42 | 40 | 59 | 38 |
| Disapprove | 52 | 54 | 53 | 50 | 54 | 31 | 57 |
| DK/NA | 7 | 8 | 7 | 8 | 6 | 10 | 6 |

9. Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Republicans in Congress are handling their job?

|  |  |  |  | AGE IN YRS....... |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | $18-34$ | $35-54$ | $55+$ |
| Approve |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Disapprove | $22 \%$ | $42 \%$ | $7 \%$ | $15 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $23 \%$ | $25 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $21 \%$ |
| DK/NA | 69 | 49 | 85 | 76 | 74 | 65 | 66 | 73 | 68 |
|  | 9 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 6 | 12 | 9 | 7 | 11 |

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Republicans in Congress are handling their job? (* High also 34\% Mar 3 2011, Mar 2010, ** Low also 17\% Oct 2013)

|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar } 04 \\ & 2015 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Nov } 26 \\ & 2014 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jul } 08 \\ & 2014 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Apr } 02 \\ & 2014 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan } 21 \\ & 2014 \end{aligned}$ | APPROVE. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | High <br> Mar 31 2011* | Low <br> Jan 21 <br> 2014** |
| Approve | 22 | 23 | 18 | 18 | 17 | 34 | 17 |
| Disapprove | 69 | 69 | 73 | 73 | 76 | 55 | 76 |
| DK/NA | 9 | 8 | 9 | 9 | 7 | 11 | 7 |

10. Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Democrats in Congress are handling their job?

|  | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | $18-34$ | $35-54$ | $55+$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Approve | $28 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $54 \%$ | $22 \%$ | $26 \%$ | $30 \%$ | $31 \%$ | $27 \%$ | $28 \%$ |
| Disapprove | 62 | 83 | 34 | 68 | 67 | 57 | 58 | 65 | 62 |
| DK/NA | 10 | 5 | 12 | 10 | 7 | 13 | 11 | 9 | 10 |

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Democrats in Congress are handling their job? (* Low also 24\% Nov 2011, Oct 2011, Sep 2011)

|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar } 04 \\ & 2015 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Nov } 26 \\ & 2014 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jul } 08 \\ & 2014 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Apr } 02 \\ & 2014 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan } 21 \\ & 2014 \end{aligned}$ | APPROVE |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { High } \\ & \text { Mar } 04 \\ & 2009 \end{aligned}$ | Low <br> Nov 26 2014* |
| Approve | 28 | 24 | 29 | 30 | 27 | 45 | 24 |
| Disapprove | 62 | 67 | 63 | 60 | 66 | 45 | 67 |
| DK/NA | 10 | 9 | 8 | 10 | 7 | 10 | 9 |

11. In general, how satisfied are you with the way things are going in the nation today; are you very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied?

|  |  |  |  |  | AGE IN YRS...... |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | $18-34$ | $35-54$ | $55+$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Very satisfied | $2 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $3 \%$ |
| Smwht satisfied | 29 | 14 | 50 | 25 | 31 | 27 | 32 | 31 | 25 |
| Smwht dissatisfied | 33 | 32 | 30 | 36 | 32 | 33 | 41 | 33 | 29 |
| Very dissatisfied | 35 | 53 | 15 | 36 | 35 | 36 | 24 | 34 | 42 |
| DK/NA | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | - | 1 | 1 |

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|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar } 04 \\ & 2015 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Nov } 25 \\ & 2014 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jul } 08 \\ & 2014 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Apr } 02 \\ & 2014 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan } 22 \\ & 2014 \end{aligned}$ | VERY+SMWHT SAT |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | High <br> Dec 11 <br> 2001 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Low } \\ & \text { Nov } 13 \\ & 2008 \end{aligned}$ |
| Very satisfied | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 21 | 2 |
| Smwht satisfied | 29 | 23 | 24 | 24 | 22 | 47 | 14 |
| Smwht dissatisfied | 33 | 32 | 31 | 33 | 32 | 19 | 38 |
| Very dissatisfied | 35 | 42 | 43 | 40 | 43 | 10 | 44 |
| DK/NA | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 |

28. What do you think is the most important problem facing the country today?

|  | Tot |
| :---: | :---: |
| Economy Total | 21\% |
| Economy general | 14 |
| Unemployment/Jobs | 6 |
| Economy other | 1 |
| Terrorism Total | 13\% |
| Terrorism general | 9 |
| Security/Safety | 4 |
| Politicians Total | 11\% |
| Politicians/Campaigns general | 1 |
| Political gridlock | 6 |
| Obama administration | 3 |
| Political corruption | 1 |
| Foreign Affairs Total | 7\% |
| Foreign affairs/policy general | 4 |
| Military issues | 1 |
| Foreign/affairs/policy other | 1 |
| Foreign affairs other | 1 |
| Budget Total | 6\% |
| Budget general | 1 |
| Budget deficits | 3 |
| Gov too big/Gov spending | 2 |
| Healthcare/Costs/Ins/HMO's | 6\% |
| Immigration | 5\% |
| Education Total | 4\% |
| Education general | 2 |
| Funding education | 1 |
| Education other | 1 |
| Class inequality | 3\% |
| Environment/Pollution | $2 \%$ |
| War general | 1\% |
| Middle class/Working class | 1\% |
| Poverty/Homeless | 1\% |
| Welfare | 1\% |
| Crime/Violence general | 1\% |
| Police general | 1\% |
| Lack of ethics/Morality | 1\% |
| Lack of religion | 1\% |
| Other | 11\% |
| DK/NA | 3\% |

29. Who do you trust more to make decisions that are good for the country, President Obama or the Republicans in Congress?

|  |  |  |  |  | AGE IN YRS....... |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | $18-34$ | $35-54$ | $55+$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Obama | $42 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $85 \%$ | $43 \%$ | $38 \%$ | $45 \%$ | $45 \%$ | $42 \%$ | $42 \%$ |
| Reps in Congress | 47 | 91 | 8 | 43 | 51 | 44 | 45 | 49 | 48 |
| DK/NA | 11 | 6 | 7 | 14 | 11 | 11 | 10 | 9 | 10 |

TREND: Who do you trust more to make decisions that are good for the country, President Obama or the Republicans in Congress?

|  | Mar 04 <br> 2015 | Nov 25 <br> 2014 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  |  |
| Obama | 42 | 42 |
| Reps in Congress | 47 | 47 |
| DK/NA | 11 | 12 |

30. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling - the economy?

|  |  |  |  | AGE IN YRS....... |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | $18-34$ | $35-54$ | $55+$ |
| Approve |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Disapprove | $44 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $77 \%$ | $45 \%$ | $42 \%$ | $46 \%$ | $52 \%$ | $43 \%$ | $41 \%$ |
| DK/NA | 50 | 82 | 16 | 50 | 54 | 46 | 38 | 52 | 54 |
|  | 6 | 4 | 7 | 4 | 4 | 8 | 9 | 5 | 5 |

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling the economy? (* Low also 32\% Sep 2011)

|  | Mar 04 | Jul 02 | Apr 02 | Jan 22 | Jan 08 | APPROVE. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | High | Low |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Mar 04 | Oct 06 |
|  | 201 | 2014 | 2014 | 2014 | 2014 | 2009 | 2011* |
| Approve | 44 | 40 | 40 | 39 | 39 | 57 | 32 |
| Disapprove | 50 | 55 | 55 | 56 | 58 | 33 | 64 |
| DK/NA | 6 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 10 | 4 |

31. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling - foreign policy?

|  |  |  |  |  | AGE IN YRS...... |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | $18-34$ | $35-54$ | $55+$ |
| Approve |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Disapprove | $35 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $70 \%$ | $35 \%$ | $34 \%$ | $36 \%$ | $39 \%$ | $33 \%$ | $35 \%$ |
| DK/NA | 55 | 90 | 20 | 55 | 60 | 51 | 50 | 57 | 57 |
|  | 10 | 5 | 10 | 10 | 6 | 13 | 11 | 9 | 8 |

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling foreign policy?

|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar } 04 \\ & 2015 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jul } 02 \\ & 2014 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Apr } 02 \\ & 2014 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan } 22 \\ & 2014 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan } 08 \\ & 2014 \end{aligned}$ | APPROVE. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | High <br> Apr 29 <br> 2009 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Low } \\ & \text { Mar } 04 \\ & 2015 \end{aligned}$ |
| Approve | 35 | 37 | 39 | 40 | 41 | 57 | 35 |
| Disapprove | 55 | 57 | 55 | 49 | 51 | 32 | 55 |
| DK/NA | 10 | 6 | 6 | 11 | 8 | 11 | 10 |

32. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling - terrorism?

|  |  |  |  |  | AGE IN YRS...... |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | $18-34$ | $35-54$ | $55+$ |
| Approve |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Disapprove | $39 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $71 \%$ | $39 \%$ | $39 \%$ | $39 \%$ | $45 \%$ | $39 \%$ | $37 \%$ |
| DK/NA | 54 | 85 | 21 | 55 | 56 | 52 | 46 | 56 | 57 |
|  | 7 | 4 | 8 | 6 | 4 | 9 | 9 | 5 | 6 |

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling terrorism?

|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar } 04 \\ & 2015 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jul } 02 \\ & 2014 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan } 22 \\ & 2014 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan } 08 \\ & 2014 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec } 10 \\ & 2013 \end{aligned}$ | APPROVE. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | High | Low |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | May 05 | Mar 04 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 2011 | 2015 |
| Approve | 39 | 44 | 48 | 52 | 50 | 67 | 39 |
| Disapprove | 54 | 51 | 41 | 41 | 41 | 27 | 54 |
| DK/NA | 7 | 5 | 10 | 6 | 8 | 7 | 7 |

33. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling - immigration issues?

|  |  |  |  |  | AGE IN YRS...... |  |  |  |  |
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|  | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | $18-34$ | $35-54$ | $55+$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Approve | $38 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $69 \%$ | $38 \%$ | $35 \%$ | $40 \%$ | $44 \%$ | $35 \%$ | $37 \%$ |
| Disapprove | 56 | 88 | 22 | 55 | 59 | 53 | 47 | 59 | 60 |
| DK/NA | 6 | 3 | 8 | 7 | 5 | 7 | 9 | 6 | 4 |

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling immigration issues?

|  | Mar 04 <br> 2015 | Nov 12 <br> 2013 | Aug 02 <br> 2013 | Jul 11 <br> 2013 | May 01 <br> 2013 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Approve | 38 | 35 | 39 | 41 | 40 |
| Disapprove | 56 | 53 | 53 | 50 | 50 |
| DK/NA | 6 | 12 | 7 | 8 | 10 |

34. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling - ISIS, the Islamic militant group that controls some areas of Iraq and Syria?

|  |  |  |  | AGE IN YRS....... |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | $18-34$ | $35-54$ | $55+$ |
| Approve |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Disapprove | $35 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $65 \%$ | $35 \%$ | $35 \%$ | $35 \%$ | $42 \%$ | $33 \%$ | $34 \%$ |
| DK/NA | 55 | 86 | 23 | 57 | 59 | 52 | 44 | 59 | 58 |
|  | 10 | 5 | 12 | 8 | 5 | 14 | 14 | 8 | 8 |

35. Do you believe President Obama loves America or don't you think so?

|  |  |  |  |  | AGE IN YRS....... |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | $18-34$ | $35-54$ | $55+$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Yes | $63 \%$ | $33 \%$ | $93 \%$ | $67 \%$ | $62 \%$ | $63 \%$ | $78 \%$ | $62 \%$ | $57 \%$ |
| No | 28 | 53 | 4 | 24 | 30 | 26 | 14 | 31 | 32 |
| DK/NA | 9 | 14 | 3 | 9 | 8 | 11 | 8 | 7 | 11 |

36. Do you believe President Obama is a Christian or not?

|  | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | $\begin{aligned} & \text { AGE IN } \\ & 18-34 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YRS . . } \\ & 35-54 \end{aligned}$ | $55+$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Yes | 43\% | 20\% | 74\% | 44\% | 42\% | 45\% | 45\% | 42\% | 45\% |
| No | 32 | 57 | 10 | 27 | 34 | 30 | 28 | 30 | 36 |
| DK/NA | 25 | 23 | 16 | 29 | 24 | 25 | 27 | 28 | 20 |

37. How important is a president's religion to you; very important, somewhat important, not so important, or not important at all?

|  |  |  |  |  |  | AGE IN YRS....... |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | $18-34$ | $35-54$ | $55+$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Very important | $24 \%$ | $35 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $15 \%$ | $22 \%$ | $26 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $19 \%$ | $30 \%$ |
| Somewhat important | 29 | 33 | 26 | 31 | 27 | 31 | 32 | 31 | 27 |
| Not so important | 15 | 11 | 17 | 18 | 16 | 15 | 8 | 17 | 17 |
| Not important at all | 31 | 20 | 37 | 35 | 35 | 27 | 41 | 33 | 26 |
| DK/NA | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | 1 |

38. Would you describe the state of the nation's economy these days as excellent, good, not so good, or poor?

|  |  |  |  | AGE IN YRS....... |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | $18-34$ | $35-54$ | $55+$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Excellent | $2 \%$ | - | $5 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $2 \%$ |
| Good | 34 | 21 | 51 | 35 | 35 | 34 | 35 | 35 | 33 |
| Not so good | 41 | 45 | 36 | 42 | 40 | 43 | 43 | 43 | 39 |
| Poor | 21 | 32 | 8 | 20 | 21 | 20 | 17 | 20 | 24 |
| DK/NA | 1 | 2 | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | - | 1 |

TREND: Would you describe the state of the nation's economy these days as excellent, good, not so good, or poor?

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|  |  |  |  |  | High | Low |
| Mar 04 | Nov 25 | Jul 02 | Apr 02 | Jan 22 | Dec 10 | Mar 04 |
| 2015 | 2014 | 2014 | 2014 | 2014 | 2003 | 2009 |


| Excellent | 2 | 2 | 1 | - | 1 | 3 | - |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Good | 34 | 31 | 22 | 26 | 21 | 37 | 3 |
| Not so good | 41 | 38 | 43 | 44 | 44 | 42 | 28 |
| Poor | 21 | 28 | 34 | 30 | 33 | 16 | 68 |
| DK/NA | 1 | 1 | - | - | 1 | 1 | - |

39. Do you think the nation's economy is getting better, getting worse, or staying about the same?

|  |  |  |  | AGE IN YRS....... |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | $18-34$ | $35-54$ | $55+$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Better | $34 \%$ | $16 \%$ | $58 \%$ | $31 \%$ | $36 \%$ | $32 \%$ | $40 \%$ | $31 \%$ | $33 \%$ |
| Worse | 22 | 34 | 9 | 21 | 18 | 26 | 23 | 21 | 23 |
| The same | 43 | 50 | 33 | 47 | 46 | 40 | 36 | 47 | 43 |
| DK/NA | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | - |

TREND: Do you think the nation's economy is getting better, getting worse, or staying about the same? (* Low also 11\% Sep 2011)

|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar } 04 \\ & 2015 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Nov } 25 \\ & 2014 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jul } 02 \\ & 2014 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Apr } 02 \\ & 2014 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan } 22 \\ & 2014 \end{aligned}$ | BETTER. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { High } \\ & \text { Jan } 18 \\ & 2011 \end{aligned}$ | Low <br> Oct 06 2011* |
| Better | 34 | 34 | 26 | 29 | 28 | 36 | 11 |
| Worse | 22 | 22 | 31 | 29 | 26 | 20 | 44 |
| The same | 43 | 43 | 43 | 42 | 44 | 43 | 44 |
| DK/NA | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 |

40. Would you say that you are better off or worse off financially than you were a year ago?

|  | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | $\begin{aligned} & \text { AGE IN } \\ & 18-34 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YRS . . } \\ & 35-54 \end{aligned}$ | $55+$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Better off | 41\% | 27\% | 58\% | 39\% | 45\% | 38\% | 55\% | 43\% | 33\% |
| Worse off | 32 | 41 | 19 | 35 | 32 | 32 | 28 | 33 | 34 |
| SAME (VOL) | 24 | 30 | 21 | 23 | 21 | 28 | 14 | 22 | 32 |
| DK/NA | 2 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 |

TREND: Would you say that you are better off or worse off financially than you were a year ago?

|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar } 04 \\ & 2015 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { May } 02 \\ & 2013 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Nov } 13 \\ & 2008 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { May } 05 \\ & 2004 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec } 10 \\ & 2003 \end{aligned}$ | $\text { Feb } 04$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Nov } 13 \\ & 2002 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Better off | 41 | 36 | 27 | 43 | 43 | 36 | 38 |
| Worse off | 32 | 41 | 50 | 34 | 36 | 38 | 39 |
| SAME (VOL) | 24 | 22 | 22 | 22 | 20 | 25 | 22 |
| DK/NA | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

41. Do you think President Obama's policies have helped - the nation's economy, hurt the nation's economy, or haven't made a difference?

|  |  |  |  |  |  | AGE IN YRS....... |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | $18-34$ | $35-54$ | $55+$ |
| Helped |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hurt | $38 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $68 \%$ | $43 \%$ | $36 \%$ | $40 \%$ | $42 \%$ | $39 \%$ | $37 \%$ |
| No difference | 33 | 59 | 7 | 28 | 35 | 31 | 26 | 35 | 37 |
| DK/NA | 26 | 29 | 23 | 27 | 26 | 26 | 30 | 24 | 24 |
|  | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 |

TREND: Do you think President Obama's policies have helped the nation's economy, hurt the nation's economy, or haven't made a difference? (*helped the economy, hurt the economy)

|  | Mar 04 <br> 2015 | Jan 18 <br> $2011^{*}$ | Jul 22 <br> $2010 *$ | May 26 <br> $2010 *$ | Dec 22 <br> $2009 *$ | Aug 06 <br> $2009 *$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Helped | 38 | 38 | 33 | 39 | 37 | 37 |
| Hurt | 33 | 28 | 34 | 29 | 28 | 29 |
| No difference | 26 | 31 | 31 | 28 | 31 | 31 |
| DK/NA | 2 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 4 |

42. Do you think President Obama's policies have helped - your personal financial situation, hurt your personal financial situation, or haven't made a difference?

|  |  |  |  | AGE IN YRS...... |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | $18-34$ | $35-54$ | $55+$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Helped | $20 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $42 \%$ | $17 \%$ | $19 \%$ | $21 \%$ | $26 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $19 \%$ |
| Hurt | 31 | 51 | 10 | 27 | 31 | 31 | 20 | 39 | 31 |
| No difference | 48 | 46 | 47 | 55 | 50 | 47 | 55 | 42 | 49 |
| DK/NA | - | - | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | 1 |

TREND: Do you think President Obama's policies have helped your personal financial situation, hurt your personal financial situation, or haven't made a difference?

|  | Mar 04 <br> 2015 | Jan 18 | Jul 22 | May 26 | Dec 22 | Aug 06 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  |  | 2010 | 2010 | 2009 | 2009 |

43. Do you support or oppose increasing taxes on higher income earners to reduce the amount of taxes paid by the middle class?

|  |  |  |  |  | AGE IN YRS....... |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | $18-34$ | $35-54$ | $55+$ |
| Support |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oppose | $58 \%$ | $31 \%$ | $88 \%$ | $61 \%$ | $54 \%$ | $62 \%$ | $63 \%$ | $55 \%$ | $58 \%$ |
| DK/NA | 35 | 62 | 9 | 35 | 43 | 29 | 33 | 38 | 36 |
|  | 6 | 7 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 9 | 5 | 7 | 6 |

44. Do you support or oppose the executive order issued by President Obama in 2014 allowing some undocumented immigrants to stay in the United States?

|  |  |  |  | AGE IN YRS....... |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | $18-34$ | $35-54$ | $55+$ |
| Support |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oppose | $40 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $67 \%$ | $42 \%$ | $36 \%$ | $43 \%$ | $50 \%$ | $40 \%$ | $35 \%$ |
| DK/NA | 55 | 86 | 25 | 53 | 60 | 51 | 44 | 56 | 61 |
|  | 5 | 2 | 8 | 5 | 4 | 6 | 6 | 4 | 4 |

45. Regardless what you think of this immigration policy, do you think Barack Obama acted within his authority as president when he issued this executive order, or do you think his actions went beyond his authority as president?

|  |  |  |  |  | AGE IN YRS....... |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | $18-34$ | $35-54$ | $55+$ |
| Within authority | $41 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $74 \%$ | $41 \%$ | $40 \%$ | $42 \%$ | $50 \%$ | $40 \%$ | $38 \%$ |
| Beyond authority | 51 | 81 | 16 | 50 | 55 | 47 | 43 | 52 | 54 |
| DK/NA | 8 | 5 | 10 | 9 | 6 | 11 | 7 | 9 | 8 |

46. Do you support or oppose Congress trying to stop this executive action on immigration from taking place by partially shutting down the Department of Homeland Security?

|  |  |  |  | AGE IN YRS....... |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | $18-34$ | $35-54$ | $55+$ |
| Support |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oppose | $30 \%$ | $53 \%$ | $7 \%$ | $28 \%$ | $34 \%$ | $25 \%$ | $27 \%$ | $32 \%$ | $30 \%$ |
| DK/NA | 62 | 40 | 84 | 67 | 58 | 65 | 62 | 62 | 61 |
|  | 9 | 7 | 8 | 5 | 8 | 9 | 11 | 5 | 9 |

47. Who do you think should be held responsible for a partial shutdown of the Department of Homeland Security, President Obama or the Republicans in Congress?

|  |  |  |  |  | AGE IN YRS....... |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | $18-34$ | $35-54$ | $55+$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Obama | $37 \%$ | $65 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $33 \%$ | $42 \%$ | $31 \%$ | $29 \%$ | $38 \%$ | $40 \%$ |
| Reps in Congress | 50 | 23 | 80 | 52 | 46 | 53 | 57 | 49 | 47 |
| DK/NA | 14 | 13 | 8 | 16 | 12 | 15 | 14 | 14 | 14 |

48. Do you think that children who have not received standard vaccinations should be allowed to attend schools and childcare facilities, or should not be allowed to attend schools and childcare facilities?

|  | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | $\begin{aligned} & \text { AGE IN } \\ & 18-34 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YRS . . } \\ & 35-54 \end{aligned}$ | $55+$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Should be allowed | 23\% | 26\% | 19\% | 29\% | 22\% | 25\% | 29\% | 27\% | 18\% |
| Should not | 70 | 68 | 74 | 67 | 71 | 69 | 67 | 67 | 73 |
| DK/NA | 7 | 7 | 8 | 5 | 7 | 7 | 4 | 6 | 8 |

49. (Intro Q49-54: Now here are a few questions about the Islamic militant group often referred to as ISIS that controls some areas of Iraq and Syria.) President Obama has asked Congress to authorize the use of military force against ISIS for a period of three years with no geographical limitations. The authorization would allow using U.S. ground troops for limited operations but would rule out using them for long term operations. Do you support or oppose Congress passing this authorization?

|  |  |  |  |  | AGE IN YRS...... |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | $18-34$ | $35-54$ | $55+$ |
| Support |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oppose | $64 \%$ | $60 \%$ | $72 \%$ | $64 \%$ | $69 \%$ | $59 \%$ | $63 \%$ | $73 \%$ | $59 \%$ |
| DK/NA | 23 | 28 | 16 | 24 | 24 | 23 | 24 | 19 | 27 |
|  | 13 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 8 | 18 | 13 | 8 | 14 |

50. Do you think that ISIS is a threat to the security of the United States, or not? IF YES: Do you think it is a major threat or a minor threat?

|  |  |  |  |  | AGE IN YRS....... |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | $18-34$ | $35-54$ | $55+$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Yes/Major | $67 \%$ | $81 \%$ | $58 \%$ | $63 \%$ | $63 \%$ | $70 \%$ | $52 \%$ | $67 \%$ | $73 \%$ |
| Yes/Minor | 19 | 12 | 28 | 20 | 21 | 17 | 23 | 20 | 17 |
| No/Not a threat | 11 | 5 | 10 | 14 | 14 | 8 | 21 | 10 | 6 |
| DK/NA | 4 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 4 |

51. Would you support or oppose the U.S. sending ground troops to fight ISIS in Iraq and Syria?

|  | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | $18-34$ | $35-54$ | $55+$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Support | $62 \%$ | $73 \%$ | $53 \%$ | $60 \%$ | $68 \%$ | $57 \%$ | $64 \%$ | $66 \%$ | $59 \%$ |
| Oppose | 30 | 18 | 40 | 35 | 28 | 33 | 29 | 28 | 33 |
| DK/NA | 8 | 9 | 7 | 5 | 5 | 11 | 7 | 5 | 8 |

52. How confident are you that the United States and its allies will defeat ISIS; very confident, somewhat confident, not so confident, or not confident at all?

|  |  |  |  |  |  | AGE IN YRS...... |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | $18-34$ | $35-54$ | $55+$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Very confident | $31 \%$ | $31 \%$ | $35 \%$ | $31 \%$ | $36 \%$ | $27 \%$ | $44 \%$ | $30 \%$ | $28 \%$ |
| Somewhat confident | 38 | 37 | 41 | 39 | 35 | 41 | 30 | 41 | 40 |
| Not so confident | 18 | 19 | 16 | 17 | 17 | 19 | 13 | 18 | 20 |
| Not confident at all | 9 | 12 | 5 | 10 | 10 | 8 | 8 | 11 | 9 |
| DK/NA | 4 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 6 | 5 | 1 | 4 |

53. What concerns you more about the U.S. military action in Iraq and Syria; that the U.S. will go too far in getting involved in the situation, or that the U.S. will not go far enough in stopping ISIS?

|  |  |  |  |  | AGE IN YRS....... |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | $18-34$ | $35-54$ | $55+$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Too far | $39 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $58 \%$ | $38 \%$ | $34 \%$ | $43 \%$ | $58 \%$ | $36 \%$ | $31 \%$ |
| Not enough | 53 | 74 | 32 | 56 | 58 | 47 | 34 | 56 | 59 |
| DK/NA | 9 | 6 | 11 | 7 | 8 | 10 | 8 | 7 | 10 |

54. Do you think there are circumstances when the United States government should pay ransom to international terrorists who are holding American hostages, or should the United States government never pay ransom to terrorists under any circumstances?

|  |  |  |  |  | AGE IN YRS....... |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | $18-34$ | $35-54$ | $55+$ |
| Yes/Should pay |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No/Never pay | $19 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $22 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $26 \%$ | $35 \%$ | $17 \%$ | $14 \%$ |
| DK/NA | 72 | 77 | 71 | 73 | 83 | 62 | 56 | 74 | 78 |
|  | 9 | 9 | 7 | 7 | 5 | 12 | 9 | 8 | 8 |

TREND: Do you think there are circumstances when the United States government should pay ransom to international terrorists who are holding American hostages, or should the United States government never pay ransom to terrorists under any circumstances?

|  | Mar 04 <br> 2015 | Nov 25 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  |  |
|  | 19 | 21 |
| Yes/Should pay | 72 | 70 |
| No/Never pay | 9 | 10 |

