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**Survey of Young Americans' Attitudes toward Politics and Public Service**  
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**N=2,654 18-29 Year Olds in English and Spanish (with GfK KnowledgePanel<sup>i</sup>)**  
**Margin of Error: +/- 2.7% at the 95% level**

1. With regard to school, are you currently enrolled at any of the following? Please select all that apply:

High school .....	8%
Trade/Vocational school .....	2%
2-year or junior college or community college .....	11%
4-year college or university .....	21%
Graduate school .....	3%
Business school or professional school.....	1%
Not enrolled in college/university, but taking at least one course .....	1%
Not currently enrolled in any of these.....	55%

**[If currently enrolled in a 4-year college, ask Q2]**

2. In which year of college are you?

	<b>(n=548)</b>
First year student/Freshman .....	17%
Second year student/Sophomore .....	19%
Third year student/Junior .....	30%
Fourth year student/Senior .....	26%
Fifth year student or higher .....	8%
Refused .....	1%

3. We understand that plenty of young people are not registered to vote, but we are wondering if you are registered to vote?

Yes .....	75%
No.....	21%
Don't know .....	3%
Refused .....	1%

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**[If respondent was over 18 in 2016, ask Q4-Q5]**

The following are questions about voter registration and voting.

4. Which of the following statements best describes your voter registration status for the last presidential election held on November 8th, 2016?

	<b>(n=2,572)</b>
I was registered .....	75%
I thought about registering, but didn't .....	4%
I tried to register, but was unable to.....	1%
I was not registered to vote on November 8, 2016.....	15%
Not sure .....	4%
Refused .....	1%

5. Which of the following statements best describes your voting in the last presidential election held on November 8th, 2016?

	<b>(n=2,572)</b>
I voted at a polling place .....	39%
I voted early .....	14%
I voted by absentee ballot .....	12%
I planned on voting, but wasn't able to.....	4%
I did not vote in this election.....	29%
I went to the polling place, but wasn't allowed to vote .....	1%
Decline to answer.....	1%

6. When it comes to voting, with which party do you consider yourself to be affiliated?

<b><u>NET: Democrat</u></b> .....	<b>39%</b>
Strong Democrat .....	20%
Not a very strong Democrat .....	19%
<b><u>NET: Republican</u></b> .....	<b>22%</b>
Strong Republican.....	12%
Not a very strong Republican .....	10%
<b><u>NET: Independent</u></b> .....	<b>37%</b>
Leans Democrat .....	9%
Leans Republican.....	6%
Does not lean either way.....	22%
Decline to answer.....	1%

7. When it comes to most political issues, do you think of yourself as a...?

<b>NET: Liberal .....</b>	<b>38%</b>
Liberal .....	28%
Moderate leaning Liberal .....	10%
Moderate .....	26%
<b>NET: Conservative.....</b>	<b>33%</b>
Conservative .....	23%
Moderate leaning Conservative .....	10%
Decline to answer.....	3%

[If respondent was over 18 in 2016 and “Voted” in Q5, ask Q6]

8. For whom did you vote for president in 2016?

	<b>(n=1,677)</b>
Hillary Clinton .....	51%
Donald Trump.....	30%
Gary Johnson .....	7%
Jill Stein .....	4%
Evan McMullin .....	1%
Someone else .....	2%
Don’t remember .....	1%
Decline to answer.....	4%

9. Do you consider yourself to be politically engaged or politically active?

Yes .....	26%
No.....	72%
Decline to answer.....	2%

10. Would you say most of your friends are politically engaged, or not?

Yes .....	25%
No.....	73%
Decline to answer.....	2%

11. Overall, how closely do you follow news about national politics?

**Net: Closely..... 51%**

Very closely ..... 11%

Somewhat closely ..... 40%

**Net: Not Closely..... 48%**

Not very closely ..... 32%

Not at all closely ..... 16%

Decline to answer..... 2%

12. All in all, do you think things in the nation are...?

Generally headed in the right direction..... 15%

Off on the wrong track ..... 51%

Not sure what direction the country is  
headed in ..... 33%

Decline to answer..... 1%

13. Thinking about national issues for a moment, which issue concerns you the most? (Open-ended question)

<b>NET: Economy .....</b>	<b>20%</b>
Economy - General .....	10%
Jobs .....	3%
Budget/Government spending .....	3%
Economic equality/Inequality .....	2%
Money issues/Financial stability .....	1%
Taxes .....	1%
Health care .....	12%
Immigration/Refugee Issues .....	13%
<b>NET: Foreign Affairs.....</b>	<b>11%</b>
Terrorism.....	3%
Foreign Affairs - General.....	2%
War/Military .....	2%
Other Foreign Policy .....	2%
National Security .....	2%
President Trump/Ineffective leadership .....	9%
<b>NET: Environment and Energy .....</b>	<b>5%</b>
Environment (General) .....	3%
Global Warming.....	2%
Education .....	4%
Racial issues.....	3%
Equality/Equal rights .....	2%
Election .....	1%
Abortion .....	1%
Government/Political corruption .....	1%
Moral issues .....	1%
Loss of constitutional rights.....	1%
Too much government control.....	1%
Government aid programs.....	1%
Gun control/Second amendment rights.....	1%
Violence .....	1%
Political partisanship .....	1%
Other issues .....	6%
Don't know/No answer .....	5%

In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job performance of:

14. Donald Trump as President.
- |                        |     |
|------------------------|-----|
| Approve.....           | 32% |
| Disapprove .....       | 66% |
| Decline to answer..... | 2%  |
15. The Democrats in Congress.
- |                        |     |
|------------------------|-----|
| Approve.....           | 42% |
| Disapprove .....       | 54% |
| Decline to answer..... | 3%  |
16. The Republicans in Congress.
- |                        |     |
|------------------------|-----|
| Approve.....           | 28% |
| Disapprove .....       | 69% |
| Decline to answer..... | 3%  |

Now thinking specifically about Donald Trump, do you approve or disapprove of the way he is handling:

17. Climate change.
- |                        |     |
|------------------------|-----|
| Approve.....           | 28% |
| Disapprove .....       | 68% |
| Decline to answer..... | 4%  |
18. The economy.
- |                        |     |
|------------------------|-----|
| Approve.....           | 37% |
| Disapprove .....       | 59% |
| Decline to answer..... | 3%  |
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- 19. Health care.
  - Approve..... 30%
  - Disapprove ..... 66%
  - Decline to answer..... 3%
  
- 20. The Islamic State / ISIS / ISIL.
  - Approve..... 33%
  - Disapprove ..... 64%
  - Decline to answer..... 3%
  
- 21. Race relations.
  - Approve..... 27%
  - Disapprove ..... 70%
  - Decline to answer..... 3%

On a scale from 0 to 100, where 0 = extremely unfavorable and 100 = extremely favorable, what is your opinion of the following individuals:

- 22. Donald Trump.
  - (n=2,012)**
  - 0-10 ..... 38%
  - 11-25 ..... 9%
  - 26-50 ..... 15%
  - 51-75 ..... 15%
  - 76-90 ..... 11%
  - 91-100 ..... 13%
  - Mean ..... 39.0

## 23. Mike Pence.

	<b>(n=1,877)</b>
0-10 .....	33%
11-25 .....	13%
26-50 .....	21%
51-75 .....	12%
76-90 .....	10%
91-100 .....	12%
Mean .....	39.2

## 24. Elizabeth Warren.

	<b>(n=1,317)</b>
0-10 .....	20%
11-25 .....	10%
26-50 .....	24%
51-75 .....	15%
76-90 .....	11%
91-100 .....	20%
Mean .....	49.9

## 25. Bernie Sanders.

	<b>(n=2,259)</b>
0-10 .....	13%
11-25 .....	9%
26-50 .....	18%
51-75 .....	20%
76-90 .....	12%
91-100 .....	28%
Mean .....	59.4

## 26. Vladimir Putin.

	<b>(n=1,747)</b>
0-10 .....	49%
11-25 .....	18%
26-50 .....	22%
51-75 .....	8%
76-90 .....	1%
91-100 .....	2%
Mean .....	20.5

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27. Angela Merkel.

	<b>(n=1,013)</b>
0-10 .....	21%
11-25 .....	11%
26-50 .....	26%
51-75 .....	25%
76-90 .....	12%
91-100 .....	6%
Mean .....	45.6

28. What grade would you give President Donald Trump as he nears his first 100 days in office?

A.....	10%
B.....	18%
C.....	14%
D.....	15%
F .....	41%
Decline to answer.....	2%

29. What grade would you give the mainstream media for their coverage of President Trump as he nears his first 100 days in office?

A.....	10%
B.....	22%
C.....	26%
D.....	14%
F .....	26%
Decline to answer.....	2%

30. In a sentence, please describe the biggest misconception about your generation.

*Open-ended responses.*

31. Overall, do you believe President Trump’s use of Twitter is mostly appropriate, or mostly inappropriate for the President of the United States.

Appropriate .....	11%
Not appropriate .....	68%
Don’t know .....	20%
Decline to answer.....	2%

On which of the following platforms do you have an account?

32. Facebook.

Yes .....	81%
No .....	17%
Decline to answer.....	2%

33. Instagram.

Yes .....	56%
No .....	42%
Decline to answer.....	2%

34. Snapchat.

Yes .....	53%
No .....	45%
Decline to answer.....	2%

35. Twitter.

Yes .....	42%
No .....	56%
Decline to answer.....	2%

36. Pinterest.

Yes .....	40%
No .....	58%
Decline to answer.....	2%

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37.	LinkedIn.	
	Yes .....	28%
	No .....	70%
	Decline to answer.....	2%
38.	Tumblr.	
	Yes .....	16%
	No .....	82%
	Decline to answer.....	2%
39.	Approximately what percentage of the news that appears on your Facebook feed do you believe to be “fake news.”	
	0-10 .....	10%
	11-25 .....	13%
	26-50 .....	27%
	51-75 .....	13%
	76-90 .....	6%
	91-100 .....	8%
	Decline to answer.....	3%
	Mean .....	48.5

On a scale from 0 to 100, where 0 = extremely unfavorable and 100 = extremely favorable, what is your opinion of the following news outlets?

40.	New York Times.	
		<b>(n=2,210)</b>
	0-10 .....	10%
	11-25 .....	7%
	26-50 .....	28%
	51-75 .....	28%
	76-90 .....	14%
	91-100 .....	14%
	Mean .....	55.5

## 41. Washington Post.

	<b>(n=2,094)</b>
0-10 .....	11%
11-25 .....	9%
26-50 .....	30%
51-75 .....	26%
76-90 .....	13%
91-100 .....	11%
Mean .....	53.1

## 42. CNN.

	<b>(n=2,258)</b>
0-10 .....	13%
11-25 .....	8%
26-50 .....	29%
51-75 .....	25%
76-90 .....	12%
91-100 .....	14%
Mean .....	53.1

## 43. MSNBC.

	<b>(n=2,081)</b>
0-10 .....	12%
11-25 .....	10%
26-50 .....	36%
51-75 .....	24%
76-90 .....	9%
91-100 .....	8%
Mean .....	49.3

## 44. FOX News.

	<b>(n=2,172)</b>
0-10 .....	19%
11-25 .....	14%
26-50 .....	27%
51-75 .....	21%
76-90 .....	10%
91-100 .....	9%
Mean .....	44.4

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## 45. NPR.

	<b>(n=1,482)</b>
0-10 .....	11%
11-25 .....	9%
26-50 .....	24%
51-75 .....	24%
76-90 .....	11%
91-100 .....	21%
Mean .....	56.7

## 46. BBC.

	<b>(n=1,883)</b>
0-10 .....	8%
11-25 .....	7%
26-50 .....	30%
51-75 .....	27%
76-90 .....	13%
91-100 .....	16%
Mean .....	57.8

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Next, we are interested in learning more about some of the activities that young people participate in when they are not in school or work.

47. Generally, do you feel like you have enough time to be involved in activities other than schoolwork or a job?

Yes, have enough time .....	51%
No, do not have enough time .....	47%
Declined to answer.....	2%

Have you participated in any of the following activities in the past 12 months?

48. Volunteered for community service?

Yes .....	33%
No .....	65%
Declined to answer.....	2%

**[If “Yes” in Q48, ask Q49]**

49. How often did you participate in this activity?

	<b>(n=875)</b>
Weekly .....	19%
A few times a month .....	20%
About once a month .....	21%
Less than once a month .....	39%
Decline to answer.....	1%

50. Have you participated in a government, political, or issue-related organization?

Yes .....	10%
No .....	87%
Decline to answer.....	2%

**[If “Yes” in Q50, ask Q51]**

51. How often did you participate in this activity?

	<b>(n=275)</b>
Weekly .....	16%
A few times a month .....	14%
About once a month .....	24%
Less than once a month .....	46%
Decline to answer.....	*

We would now like to ask you some questions about your participation in various activities. Have you ever done any of the following?

52. Volunteered on a political campaign for a candidate or an issue?

Yes .....	8%
No .....	90%
Decline to answer.....	2%

53. Attended a political rally or demonstration?

Yes .....	13%
No .....	84%
Decline to answer.....	2%

54. Donated money to a political campaign or cause?

Yes .....	11%
No .....	87%
Decline to answer.....	2%

55. Written an e-mail or letter advocating for a political position or opinion?

Yes .....	13%
No .....	85%
Decline to answer.....	2%

56. Contributed to an online discussion advocating for a political position or opinion?

Yes .....	20%
No .....	78%
Decline to answer.....	2%

57. Signed an online petition?

Yes .....	38%
No .....	60%
Decline to answer.....	2%

**[If “Yes” in Q32, ask Q58-Q60]**

58. Liked a political issue on Facebook?

	<b>(n=2,152)</b>
Yes .....	40%
No .....	59%
Decline to answer.....	1%

59. Liked a political candidate on Facebook?

	<b>(n=2,152)</b>
Yes .....	34%
No .....	65%
Decline to answer.....	1%

60. Used your Facebook status to advocate for a political position?

	<b>(n=2,152)</b>
Yes .....	24%
No .....	76%
Decline to answer.....	1%

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**[If “Yes” in Q35, ask Q61]**

61. Used Twitter to advocate for a political position?

	<b>(n=1,119)</b>
Yes .....	22%
No .....	78%
Decline to answer.....	*

From the list below, please select the top three most effective ways to produce change in American society.

62. From the list below, please select the top three most effective ways to produce change in American society.

**Note: Multiple selections allowed. Percentages do not add up to 100%.**

Voting .....	74%
Talking about important issues .....	53%
Volunteering for community service .....	41%
Calling or emailing your representative.....	39%
Running for office.....	31%
Attending a protest.....	16%
Something else .....	20%
Decline to answer.....	5%

63. Between now and when you are 50 years old, what are the chances that you will run for elected office of some kind?

0-10 .....	76%
11-25 .....	8%
26-50 .....	7%
51-75 .....	2%
76-90 .....	*
91-100 .....	1%
Decline to answer.....	6%
Mean .....	8.9

Switching gears now, below is a short list of institutions. How often do you trust each of them to do the right thing?

64. The President.

**NET: All/Most ..... 24%**

All of the time ..... 4%

Most of the time ..... 20%

**NET: Sometimes/Never ..... 72%**

Some of the time ..... 45%

Never ..... 27%

Decline to answer ..... 3%

65. The United States military.

**NET: All/Most ..... 50%**

All of the time ..... 13%

Most of the time ..... 37%

**NET: Sometimes/Never ..... 47%**

Some of the time ..... 36%

Never ..... 11%

Decline to answer ..... 3%

## 66. The Congress.

**NET: All/Most ..... 20%**

All of the time ..... 2%

Most of the time ..... 18%

**NET: Sometimes/Never ..... 77%**

Some of the time ..... 57%

Never ..... 20%

Decline to answer ..... 3%

## 67. The Supreme Court.

**NET: All/Most ..... 46%**

All of the time ..... 7%

Most of the time ..... 39%

**NET: Sometimes/Never ..... 51%**

Some of the time ..... 39%

Never ..... 12%

Decline to answer ..... 3%

## 68. The federal government.

**NET: All/Most ..... 24%**

All of the time ..... 3%

Most of the time ..... 21%

**NET: Sometimes/Never ..... 74%**

Some of the time ..... 57%

Never ..... 17%

Decline to answer ..... 3%

## 69. The United Nations.

**NET: All/Most ..... 39%**

All of the time ..... 5%

Most of the time ..... 34%

**NET: Sometimes/Never ..... 58%**

Some of the time ..... 41%

Never ..... 17%

Decline to answer ..... 3%

**[Split Sample]**

70. A. Your state government. (n=1,363)

<b><u>NET: All/Most .....</u></b>	<b>33%</b>
All of the time .....	3%
Most of the time .....	30%
 <b><u>NET: Sometimes/Never .....</u></b>	 <b>64%</b>
Some of the time .....	49%
Never .....	15%
 Decline to answer .....	 3%

B. Your local government. (n=1,291)

<b><u>NET: All/Most .....</u></b>	<b>35%</b>
All of the time .....	2%
Most of the time .....	33%
 <b><u>NET: Sometimes/Never .....</u></b>	 <b>61%</b>
Some of the time .....	47%
Never .....	14%
 Decline to answer .....	 4%

71. Wall Street.

<b><u>NET: All/Most .....</u></b>	<b>12%</b>
All of the time .....	1%
Most of the time .....	11%
 <b><u>NET: Sometimes/Never .....</u></b>	 <b>84%</b>
Some of the time .....	49%
Never .....	35%
 Decline to answer .....	 3%

72. The media.

<b>NET: All/Most .....</b>	<b>16%</b>
All of the time .....	1%
Most of the time .....	15%
<b>NET: Sometimes/Never .....</b>	<b>81%</b>
Some of the time .....	51%
Never .....	30%
Decline to answer .....	3%

Below is a list of statements about politics and public service. Do you agree or disagree with these statements?

73. I feel like I need more practical information about politics before I get involved.

<b>NET: Agree.....</b>	<b>41%</b>
Strongly agree .....	11%
Somewhat agree .....	29%
Neither agree nor disagree .....	36%
<b>NET: Disagree .....</b>	<b>20%</b>
Somewhat disagree .....	13%
Strongly disagree .....	7%
Decline to answer.....	4%

74. Elected officials seem to be motivated by selfish reasons.

<b>NET: Agree.....</b>	<b>58%</b>
Strongly agree .....	26%
Somewhat agree .....	33%
Neither agree nor disagree .....	29%
<b>NET: Disagree .....</b>	<b>9%</b>
Somewhat disagree .....	6%
Strongly disagree .....	3%
Decline to answer.....	4%

75. Politics is not relevant to my life right now.

<b>NET: Agree.....</b>	<b>16%</b>
Strongly agree .....	5%
Somewhat agree .....	11%
Neither agree nor disagree .....	33%
<b>NET: Disagree.....</b>	<b>47%</b>
Somewhat disagree .....	23%
Strongly disagree .....	24%
Decline to answer.....	4%

76. Political involvement rarely has any tangible results.

<b>NET: Agree.....</b>	<b>22%</b>
Strongly agree .....	4%
Somewhat agree .....	18%
Neither agree nor disagree .....	41%
<b>NET: Disagree.....</b>	<b>33%</b>
Somewhat disagree .....	24%
Strongly disagree .....	9%
Decline to answer.....	4%

77. It really doesn't matter to me who the President is.

<b>NET: Agree.....</b>	<b>10%</b>
Strongly agree .....	2%
Somewhat agree .....	8%
Neither agree nor disagree .....	24%
<b>NET: Disagree.....</b>	<b>62%</b>
Somewhat disagree .....	21%
Strongly disagree .....	41%
Decline to answer.....	4%

78. People like me don't have any say about what the government does.

**NET: Agree..... 33%**

Strongly agree ..... 12%

Somewhat agree ..... 22%

Neither agree nor disagree ..... 32%

**NET: Disagree ..... 31%**

Somewhat disagree ..... 21%

Strongly disagree ..... 10%

Decline to answer..... 4%

79. Running for office is an honorable thing to do.

**NET: Agree..... 33%**

Strongly agree ..... 9%

Somewhat agree ..... 24%

Neither agree nor disagree ..... 46%

**NET: Disagree ..... 17%**

Somewhat disagree ..... 11%

Strongly disagree ..... 6%

Decline to answer..... 4%

80. Community service is an honorable thing to do.

**NET: Agree..... 68%**

Strongly agree ..... 40%

Somewhat agree ..... 28%

Neither agree nor disagree ..... 22%

**NET: Disagree ..... 7%**

Somewhat disagree ..... 4%

Strongly disagree ..... 3%

Decline to answer..... 4%

81. Politics has become too partisan.

**NET: Agree..... 48%**

Strongly agree ..... 27%

Somewhat agree ..... 22%

Neither agree nor disagree ..... 37%

**NET: Disagree ..... 10%**

Somewhat disagree ..... 7%

Strongly disagree ..... 4%

Decline to answer..... 4%

82. The idea of working in some form of public service is appealing to me.

**NET: Agree..... 25%**

Strongly agree ..... 6%

Somewhat agree ..... 18%

Neither agree nor disagree ..... 37%

**NET: Disagree ..... 35%**

Somewhat disagree ..... 19%

Strongly disagree ..... 15%

Decline to answer..... 4%

83. I don't believe my vote will make a real difference.

**NET: Agree..... 28%**

Strongly agree ..... 9%

Somewhat agree ..... 19%

Neither agree nor disagree ..... 30%

**NET: Disagree ..... 38%**

Somewhat disagree ..... 22%

Strongly disagree ..... 15%

Decline to answer..... 3%



84. The results of my previous involvement in politics have left me disappointed.

**NET: Agree..... 20%**

Strongly agree ..... 6%

Somewhat agree ..... 14%

Neither agree nor disagree ..... 52%

**NET: Disagree ..... 24%**

Somewhat disagree ..... 12%

Strongly disagree ..... 11%

Decline to answer..... 4%

85. Politics today are no longer able to meet the challenges our country is facing.

**NET: Agree..... 43%**

Strongly agree ..... 14%

Somewhat agree ..... 29%

Neither agree nor disagree ..... 35%

**NET: Disagree ..... 18%**

Somewhat disagree ..... 13%

Strongly disagree ..... 5%

Decline to answer..... 4%

86. Elected officials don't seem to have the same priorities I have.

**NET: Agree..... 53%**

Strongly agree ..... 22%

Somewhat agree ..... 32%

Neither agree nor disagree ..... 33%

**NET: Disagree ..... 10%**

Somewhat disagree ..... 8%

Strongly disagree ..... 3%

Decline to answer..... 4%

87. I feel personally responsible for working to improve the future of America.

**NET: Agree..... 35%**

Strongly agree ..... 8%

Somewhat agree ..... 27%

Neither agree nor disagree ..... 42%

**NET: Disagree ..... 19%**

Somewhat disagree ..... 12%

Strongly disagree ..... 7%

Decline to answer..... 4%

88. I want to do what I can to help unite, not further divide, America.

**NET: Agree..... 59%**

Strongly agree ..... 28%

Somewhat agree ..... 31%

Neither agree nor disagree ..... 28%

**NET: Disagree ..... 9%**

Somewhat disagree ..... 6%

Strongly disagree ..... 4%

Decline to answer..... 4%

How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

89. Cutting taxes is an effective way to increase economic growth.

**NET: Agree..... 33%**

Strongly agree ..... 11%

Somewhat agree ..... 23%

Neither agree nor disagree ..... 41%

**NET: Disagree ..... 22%**

Somewhat disagree ..... 14%

Strongly disagree ..... 8%

Decline to answer..... 4%

90. Our country’s goal in trade policy should be to eliminate all barriers to trade and employment so that we have a truly global economy.

**NET: Agree..... 26%**

Strongly agree ..... 7%

Somewhat agree ..... 18%

Neither agree nor disagree ..... 47%

**NET: Disagree..... 23%**

Somewhat disagree ..... 16%

Strongly disagree ..... 7%

Decline to answer..... 4%

91. Basic health insurance is a right for all people, and if someone has no means of paying for it, the government should provide it.

**NET: Agree..... 46%**

Strongly agree ..... 25%

Somewhat agree ..... 21%

Neither agree nor disagree ..... 29%

**NET: Disagree..... 21%**

Somewhat disagree ..... 12%

Strongly disagree ..... 9%

Decline to answer..... 4%

92. Qualified minorities should be given special preference in hiring and education.

**NET: Agree..... 19%**

Strongly agree ..... 6%

Somewhat agree ..... 13%

Neither agree nor disagree ..... 38%

**NET: Disagree..... 38%**

Somewhat disagree ..... 18%

Strongly disagree ..... 21%

Decline to answer..... 4%

93. Religious values should play a more important role in government.

**NET: Agree..... 20%**

Strongly agree ..... 8%

Somewhat agree ..... 11%

Neither agree nor disagree ..... 35%

**NET: Disagree ..... 42%**

Somewhat disagree ..... 12%

Strongly disagree ..... 30%

Decline to answer..... 4%

94. In today's world, it is sometimes necessary to attack potentially hostile countries, rather than waiting until we are attacked to respond.

**NET: Agree..... 21%**

Strongly agree ..... 5%

Somewhat agree ..... 16%

Neither agree nor disagree ..... 40%

**NET: Disagree ..... 36%**

Somewhat disagree ..... 20%

Strongly disagree ..... 16%

Decline to answer..... 4%

95. Government should do more to curb climate change, even at the expense of economic growth.

**NET: Agree..... 37%**

Strongly agree ..... 19%

Somewhat agree ..... 19%

Neither agree nor disagree ..... 39%

**NET: Disagree ..... 19%**

Somewhat disagree ..... 11%

Strongly disagree ..... 9%

Decline to answer..... 4%

96. Same sex relationships are morally wrong.

**NET: Agree..... 25%**

Strongly agree ..... 18%

Somewhat agree ..... 8%

Neither agree nor disagree ..... 26%

**NET: Disagree ..... 46%**

Somewhat disagree ..... 9%

Strongly disagree ..... 37%

Decline to answer..... 4%

97. If parents had more freedom to choose where they could send their children to school, the education system in this country would be better.

**NET: Agree..... 35%**

Strongly agree ..... 13%

Somewhat agree ..... 21%

Neither agree nor disagree ..... 35%

**NET: Disagree ..... 26%**

Somewhat disagree ..... 16%

Strongly disagree ..... 10%

Decline to answer..... 4%

98. I am concerned about the moral direction of the country.

**NET: Agree..... 56%**

Strongly agree ..... 27%

Somewhat agree ..... 28%

Neither agree nor disagree ..... 29%

**NET: Disagree ..... 12%**

Somewhat disagree ..... 7%

Strongly disagree ..... 5%

Decline to answer..... 4%

99. Recent immigration into this country has done more good than harm.

**NET: Agree..... 32%**

Strongly agree ..... 16%

Somewhat agree ..... 16%

Neither agree nor disagree ..... 37%

**NET: Disagree ..... 27%**

Somewhat disagree ..... 14%

Strongly disagree ..... 13%

Decline to answer..... 4%

100. The government should spend more to reduce poverty.

**NET: Agree..... 46%**

Strongly agree ..... 18%

Somewhat agree ..... 28%

Neither agree nor disagree ..... 33%

**NET: Disagree ..... 17%**

Somewhat disagree ..... 11%

Strongly disagree ..... 7%

Decline to answer..... 4%

101. Government spending is an effective way to increase economic growth.

**NET: Agree..... 25%**

Strongly agree ..... 7%

Somewhat agree ..... 18%

Neither agree nor disagree ..... 45%

**NET: Disagree ..... 27%**

Somewhat disagree ..... 17%

Strongly disagree ..... 10%

Decline to answer..... 4%

102. Basic necessities, such as food and shelter, are a right that the government should provide to those unable to afford them.

<b>NET: Agree.....</b>	<b>45%</b>
Strongly agree .....	20%
Somewhat agree .....	25%
Neither agree nor disagree .....	33%
<b>NET: Disagree.....</b>	<b>18%</b>
Somewhat disagree .....	11%
Strongly disagree .....	7%
Decline to answer.....	4%

**[Split Sample]**

103. A. Do you approve or disapprove of The Affordable Care Act, the comprehensive health reform package that President Obama signed into law in 2010?

	<b>(n=1,325)</b>
Approve .....	55%
Disapprove .....	41%
Decline to answer .....	4%

B. Do you approve or disapprove of Obamacare, the comprehensive health reform package that President Obama signed into law in 2010?

	<b>(n=1,329)</b>
Approve .....	53%
Disapprove .....	45%
Decline to answer .....	3%

Please indicate your view of how each policy initiative introduced by President Trump may impact the United States generally, and you and your family in particular.

Build a wall on the U.S. Mexico Border.

104. If implemented, would this policy make America better, worse or would it not make a difference?

Make America better.....	23%
Make America worse .....	50%
Not make a difference.....	24%
Decline to answer.....	3%

105. If implemented, would this have a positive impact, negative impact, or would it not have an impact on you and your family?

Positive impact.....	17%
Negative impact .....	36%
Would not have an impact .....	44%
Decline to answer.....	3%

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“Repeal and replace” Obama’s health care policy, also referred to as the Affordable Care Act.

106. If implemented, would this policy make America better, worse or would it not make a difference?

Make America better.....	33%
Make America worse .....	45%
Not make a difference .....	19%
Decline to answer.....	3%

107. If implemented, would this have a positive impact, negative impact, or would it not have an impact on you and your family?

Positive impact.....	27%
Negative impact .....	37%
Would not have an impact .....	33%
Decline to answer.....	3%

Crack down on countries that engage in illegal or unfair trade practices that hurt American workers.

108. If implemented, would this policy make America better, worse or would it not make a difference?

Make America better.....	60%
Make America worse .....	13%
Not make a difference.....	23%
Decline to answer.....	4%

109. If implemented, would this have a positive impact, negative impact, or would it not have an impact on you and your family?

Positive impact.....	37%
Negative impact .....	14%
Would not have an impact .....	45%
Decline to answer.....	3%

End the “anti-police” atmosphere in America and empower law enforcement.

110. If implemented, would this policy make America better, worse or would it not make a difference?

Make America better.....	48%
Make America worse .....	24%
Not make a difference .....	25%
Decline to answer.....	4%

111. If implemented, would this have a positive impact, negative impact, or would it not have an impact on you and your family?

Positive impact.....	37%
Negative impact .....	20%
Would not have an impact .....	40%
Decline to answer.....	4%

Temporarily ban all refugees from coming into the U.S. and temporarily ban issuance of new visas from 6 predominately Muslim countries in the Middle East.

112. If implemented, would this policy make America better, worse or would it not make a difference?

Make America better.....	28%
Make America worse .....	48%
Not make a difference .....	21%
Decline to answer.....	3%

113. If implemented, would this have a positive impact, negative impact, or would it not have an impact on you and your family?

Positive impact.....	20%
Negative impact .....	27%
Would not have an impact .....	50%
Decline to answer.....	3%

Please indicate whether or not you have a close relationship with someone who fits the following description:

114.	A Muslim.		
	Yes .....	23%	
	No.....	74%	
	Decline to answer.....	3%	
115.	A Born Again or Evangelical Christian.		
	Yes .....	38%	
	No.....	59%	
	Decline to answer.....	3%	
116.	A Hillary Clinton Supporter.		
	Yes .....	62%	
	No.....	35%	
	Decline to answer.....	3%	
117.	A Donald Trump Supporter.		
	Yes .....	55%	
	No.....	42%	
	Decline to answer.....	3%	
118.	A truck driver.		
	Yes .....	33%	
	No.....	64%	
	Decline to answer.....	3%	
119.	A millionaire.		
	Yes .....	17%	
	No.....	80%	
	Decline to answer.....	3%	

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120. An Ivy League student or graduate.
- |                        |     |
|------------------------|-----|
| Yes .....              | 22% |
| No.....                | 75% |
| Decline to answer..... | 3%  |
121. A veteran of the Iraq or Afghanistan wars.
- |                        |     |
|------------------------|-----|
| Yes .....              | 31% |
| No.....                | 66% |
| Decline to answer..... | 3%  |
122. A gun owner.
- |                        |     |
|------------------------|-----|
| Yes .....              | 60% |
| No.....                | 37% |
| Decline to answer..... | 3%  |
123. A LGBTQ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transsexual, queer and/or questioning).
- |                        |     |
|------------------------|-----|
| Yes .....              | 54% |
| No.....                | 43% |
| Decline to answer..... | 3%  |
124. An undocumented immigrant.
- |                        |     |
|------------------------|-----|
| Yes .....              | 22% |
| No.....                | 76% |
| Decline to answer..... | 3%  |
125. A police officer.
- |                        |     |
|------------------------|-----|
| Yes .....              | 35% |
| No.....                | 62% |
| Decline to answer..... | 3%  |
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126. A drug addict or recovering addict.
- |                        |     |
|------------------------|-----|
| Yes .....              | 28% |
| No.....                | 69% |
| Decline to answer..... | 3%  |
127. In the short-term, do you expect that the government’s efforts to improve the economy will:
- |   |     |
|---|-----|
| Help your financial situation.....              | 27% |
| Hurt your financial situation .....             | 28% |
| Have no impact on our financial situation ..... | 41% |
| Decline to answer.....                          | 4%  |
128. Do you believe we ought to have more government regulation of Wall Street, less government regulation of Wall Street, or about the same level we have right now.
- |                                    |     |
|------------------------------------|-----|
| More regulation.....               | 41% |
| Less regulation .....              | 15% |
| Same level we have right now ..... | 40% |
| Decline to answer.....             | 4%  |
129. Do you support or oppose the United States sending ground troops to participate in a military campaign against the Islamic State (IS/ISIS/ISIL)?
- |                                  |                   |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| <b><u>NET: Support .....</u></b> | <b><u>53%</u></b> |
| Strongly support.....            | 15%               |
| Somewhat support.....            | 38%               |
| <b><u>NET: Oppose .....</u></b>  | <b><u>43%</u></b> |
| Somewhat oppose .....            | 29%               |
| Strongly oppose .....            | 14%               |
| Decline to answer.....           | 5%                |
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130. Which of the following statements comes closer to your point of view?

The United States should let other countries  
and the United Nations take the lead in  
solving international crises and conflicts. .... 68%

The United States should take the lead in  
solving international crises and conflicts ..... 26%

Decline to answer..... 6%

131. How much, if at all, do you believe that people of your own racial background are under attack in America?

A lot ..... 28%

A little ..... 26%

Not much..... 24%

Not at all..... 18%

Decline to answer..... 3%

132. How would you rate your personal financial situation these days?

**Net: Good ..... 63%**

Very good..... 9%

Fairly good ..... 54%

**Net: Bad ..... 34%**

Fairly bad ..... 27%

Very bad..... 7%

Decline to answer ..... 3%

133. In general, when I am my parent's age, I believe that I will be...?

Better off financially than they are now ..... 40%

About the same as they are now ..... 28%

Worse off financially than they are now ..... 16%

Not sure ..... 13%

Decline to answer ..... 3%

**[If currently enrolled in a 4-year college, ask]**

134. Based on the current state of the economy, how easy or difficult do you think it will be for students in your class to find a permanent job upon graduation?

	<b>(n=548)</b>
<b>Net: Easy</b> .....	<b>36%</b>
Very easy .....	6%
Somewhat easy.....	30%
<b>Net: Difficult</b> .....	<b>61%</b>
Somewhat difficult.....	49%
Very difficult.....	12%
Decline to answer.....	3%

135. Which one of these best describes your religious preference?

Catholic .....	20%
Fundamentalist/Evangelical Christian .....	14%
Protestant.....	11%
LDS/Mormon .....	2%
Jewish.....	2%
Muslim .....	1%
Another religion .....	8%
No religious preference.....	26%
Not sure .....	3%
Decline to answer.....	8%

**[If NOT “No religious preference” or “Decline to answer” in 135, ask 136]**

136. How important is religion in your own life?

	<b>(n=1,673)</b>
Very important .....	43%
Somewhat important .....	35%
Not very important .....	22%
Not sure.....	5%
 Decline to answer.....	 *

**[If “Catholic, Fundamentalist/Evangelical, LDS/Mormon, Protestant, or another religion, or not sure” in Q135 ask Q137]**

137. Do you consider yourself a born-again Christian?

	<b>(n=1,605)</b>
Yes .....	35%
No.....	48%
Not sure.....	12%
 Decline to answer.....	 5%

138. Switching topics, which of these best describes your phone service at this time? (Multiple responses allowed)

Cell phone .....	89%
Landline phone service .....	14%
VOIP phone service .....	3%
None of these .....	4%
 Decline to answer.....	 3\$

**[If currently enrolled in a college, ask Q139-Q143]**

139. Is your college/university...?

	<b>(n=548)</b>
Public .....	70%
Private .....	28%
 Decline to answer.....	 3%



140. Is the college/university that you currently attend...?

(n=548)

In an urban or city area .....	52%
In a suburban area next to a city .....	25%
In small town or rural area .....	21%
Decline to answer.....	2%

141. How many undergraduate students are enrolled in your college/university? Your best estimate is fine.

(n=548)

Less than 1,000 .....	4%
1,000 - 4,999 .....	18%
5,000 - 9,999 .....	23%
10,000 - 19,999 .....	23%
20,000 or more .....	29%
Decline to answer.....	3%

142. Where do you live while attending college?

(n=548)

In an on-campus dormitory .....	27%
In fraternity/sorority housing .....	2%
In a campus-owned apartment .....	5%
In an apartment/house that is not campus-owned (not with parents) .....	32%
At home, with my parents .....	26%
Somewhere else .....	5%
Decline to answer.....	2%

143. Are you a...?

(n=548)

Full-time student .....	89%
Part-time student .....	9%
Decline to answer.....	2%

144. What is your gender?

Male .....	49%
Female.....	51%

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145. What is your race and ethnicity?

White, Non-Hispanic .....	57%
Black, Non-Hispanic .....	13%
Hispanic .....	22%
Other, Non-Hispanic .....	7%
Two or more races, Non-Hispanic .....	2%

146. What is your current education level?

Less than high school .....	12%
High school .....	27%
Some college .....	38%
Bachelor or higher .....	23%

147. The next question is about the total income of YOUR HOUSEHOLD for the PAST 12 MONTHS. Please include your income PLUS the income of all members living in your household (including cohabiting partners and armed forces members living at home). Please count income BEFORE TAXES and from all sources (such as wages, salaries, tips, net income from a business, interest, dividends, child support, alimony, and Social Security, public assistance, pensions, or retirement benefits).

Less than \$5,000 .....	4%
\$5,000 - \$7,499 .....	2%
\$7,500 - \$9,999 .....	1%
\$10,000 - \$12,499 .....	2%
\$12,500 - \$14,999 .....	1%
\$15,000 - \$19,999 .....	2%
\$20,000 - \$24,999 .....	2%
\$25,000 - \$29,999 .....	4%
\$30,000 - \$34,999 .....	4%
\$35,000 - \$39,999 .....	5%
\$40,000 - \$49,999 .....	9%
\$50,000 - \$59,999 .....	9%
\$60,000 - \$74,999 .....	10%
\$75,000 - \$84,999 .....	7%
\$85,000 - \$99,999 .....	8%
\$100,000 - \$124,999 .....	11%
\$125,000 - \$149,000 .....	6%
\$150,000 - \$174,999 .....	5%
\$175,000 or more .....	3%

148. Are you now married, widowed, divorced, separated, never married, or living with a partner?

Married.....	20%
Widowed.....	1%
Divorced.....	1%
Separated.....	1%
Never married.....	64%
Living with partner.....	13%

149. Age:

18.....	8%
19.....	9%
20.....	6%
21.....	7%
22.....	8%
23.....	9%
24.....	10%
25.....	8%
26.....	8%
27.....	9%
28.....	9%
29.....	8%

150. Are you the head of your household?

Yes.....	42%
No.....	58%

151. Including yourself, how many people currently live in your household at least 50% of the time? Please remember to include babies, or small children, include unrelated individuals (such as roommates), and also include those now away traveling or in a hospital.

1.....	8%
2.....	21%
3.....	25%
4.....	22%
5.....	11%
6.....	6%
7.....	2%
8.....	2%
9.....	*
10+.....	*

152. How many members are there in each age group in your household? (Average number)

0 – 12 months old .....	0.10
2 – 5 years old .....	0.19
6 – 12 years old .....	0.21
13 – 17 years old .....	0.27
18 years or older .....	2.71

153. Which statement best describes your current employment status?

**NET: Working..... 69%**

As a paid employee .....	63%
Self-employed .....	6%

**NET: Not Working ..... 31%**

On temporary layoff from a job .....	*
Looking for work .....	15%
Disabled .....	2%
Retired .....	*
Other .....	14%

154. Are your living quarters...?

Owned or being bought by you or someone in your household .....	61%
Rented for cash .....	36%
Occupied without payment of cash rent .....	3%

155. Which best describes the building where you live?

A one-family house detached from any other house .....	66%
A one-family house attached to one or more houses .....	9%
A building with two or more apartments .....	21%
A mobile home .....	4%
Boat, RV, van, etc. ....	*

156. Do you have Internet access in your home?
- |           |     |
|-----------|-----|
| Yes ..... | 97% |
| No.....   | 3%  |
157. What region do you live in?
- |                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| Northeast ..... | 18% |
| Midwest .....   | 20% |
| South .....     | 37% |
| West .....      | 24% |
158. Do you live in a metro or non-metro area?
- |                        |     |
|------------------------|-----|
| Non-metro (rural)..... | 13% |
| Metro.....             | 87% |
159. What region do you live in? (Based on state of residence)
- |                          |     |
|--------------------------|-----|
| New England .....        | 4%  |
| Mid-Atlantic .....       | 14% |
| East-North Central ..... | 13% |
| West-North Central.....  | 7%  |
| South Atlantic .....     | 21% |
| East-South Central ..... | 5%  |
| West-South Central ..... | 11% |
| Mountain .....           | 7%  |
| Pacific .....            | 17% |

<sup>1</sup>A complete Field Report from GfK Knowledge Networks) is available upon request. Included in the report are details on cooperation rates, KN methodology, survey administration, survey sampling and sample weighting.

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