



**Survey of Young Americans' Attitudes toward Politics and Public Service  
23rd Edition: March 20 – April 8, 2013**

**N=3,103 18-29 Year Olds in English and Spanish (with Knowledge Networks<sup>1</sup>)  
Margin of Error for entire sample: +/- 1.7% at the 95% level**

**Sub-sample of n=674 18-24 Year old 4-year college students in English and Spanish  
Margin of Error for 4-year college students: +/- 3.7% at the 95% level**

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

	<u><b>Total:</b></u> <u><b>18-29</b></u>	<u><b>4-Year</b></u> <u><b>College</b></u>
High school.....	7%	2%
Trade/Vocational school.....	2%	1%
2-year junior college or community college .....	11%	1%
4-year college or university .....	22%	100%
Graduate school .....	4%	1%
Business school or professional school .....	1%	1%
Not enrolled in college/university but taking at least one course.....	1%	-
Not currently enrolled in any of these .....	53%	-

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

2. In which year of college are you?

	<u><b>Total:</b></u> <u><b>18-29</b></u>	<u><b>4-Year</b></u> <u><b>College</b></u> <u><b>(n=674)</b></u>
First year student/Freshman .....	-	22%
Second year student/Sophomore .....	-	22%
Third year student/Junior.....	-	19%
Fourth year student/Senior .....	-	27%
Fifth year student or higher .....	-	10%

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3. Do you have an account on Facebook?

	<u>Total:</u> <u>18-29</u>	<u>4-Year</u> <u>College</u>
Yes .....	83%	85%
No .....	16%	14%
Refused .....	1%	*

4. Do you have an account on Twitter?

	<u>Total:</u> <u>18-29</u>	<u>4-Year</u> <u>College</u>
Yes .....	33%	37%
No .....	66%	62%
Refused .....	1%	1%

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

	<u>Total:</u> <u>18-29</u>	<u>4-Year</u> <u>College</u>
Yes .....	71%	80%
No .....	25%	18%
Don't know .....	3%	1%

**[If respondent was over 18 in 2008, ask Q6-Q7]**

The following are questions about voter registration and voting.

6. Which of the following statements best describes your voter registration status for the last presidential election held on November 6th, 2012?

	<u>Total:</u> <u>18-29</u> <b>(n=3,020)</b>	<u>4-Year</u> <u>College</u> <b>(n=666)</b>
I was registered .....	70%	78%
I thought about registering, but didn't .....	5%	4%
I tried to register, but was unable to .....	2%	2%
I was not registered to vote on Nov. 6 .....	18%	13%
Not sure .....	5%	2%

7. Which of the following statements best describes your voting in the last presidential election held on November 6th, 2012?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b> <b>(n=3,020)</b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b> <b>(n=666)</b>
I voted at a polling place .....	39%	38%
I voted early .....	10%	13%
I voted by absentee ballot .....	10%	19%
I planned on voting, but wasn't able to .....	6%	5%
I did not vote in this election .....	33%	25%
I went to the polling place, but wasn't allowed to vote .....	1%	*

**[Split Sample]**

8. A. Do you support or oppose Same-Day Registration, which permits eligible citizens to register to vote when they arrive to vote on Election Day?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b> <b>(n=1,584)</b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b> <b>(n=328)</b>
Support .....	60%	61%
Oppose .....	13%	19%
Not sure .....	27%	20%

B. Some people say that Same-Day Registration, which permits eligible citizens to register to vote when they arrive to vote on Election Day, reduces the barriers to voting; other people say that Same-Day Registration increases voter fraud.

Based on what you know now, do you support or oppose Same-Day Registration?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b> <b>(n=1,519)</b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b> <b>(n=346)</b>
Support .....	35%	39%
Oppose .....	21%	23%
Not sure .....	44%	37%

9. Which of the following would do the most to increase voting turnout among young Americans under the age of 30 in national elections?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Same day registration .....	23%	25%
More conveniently located polling places .....	28%	24%
Better candidates .....	47%	50%
Refused .....	1%	*

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

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
<b><u>NET: Democrat.....</u></b>	<b><u>37%</u></b>	<b><u>35%</u></b>
Strong Democrat.....	18%	16%
Not a very strong Democrat .....	19%	19%
<b><u>NET: Republican .....</u></b>	<b><u>25%</u></b>	<b><u>31%</u></b>
Strong Republican .....	12%	14%
Not a very strong Republican .....	13%	17%
<b><u>NET: Independent.....</u></b>	<b><u>37%</u></b>	<b><u>33%</u></b>
Leans Democrat.....	10%	10%
Leans Republican .....	7%	8%
Does not lean either way .....	20%	15%
Decline to answer .....	1%	*

11. Among your closest friends, how many of them would you say share your political views?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
All of them.....	4%	3%
Most of them.....	35%	38%
Some of them.....	37%	44%
None of them .....	4%	2%
Don't know .....	19%	14%

12. Did your last/most recent significant other (girlfriend, boyfriend, or spouse) share your political beliefs?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Yes .....	46%	41%
No .....	12%	11%
Don't know .....	20%	19%
Does not apply .....	21%	28%

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

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
<b><u>NET: Liberal</u></b> .....	<b><u>38%</u></b>	<b><u>37%</u></b>
Liberal .....	25%	23%
Moderate leaning Liberal .....	13%	14%
Moderate .....	26%	25%
<b><u>NET: Conservative</u></b> .....	<b><u>36%</u></b>	<b><u>38%</u></b>
Moderate leaning Conservative .....	10%	8%
Conservative .....	26%	30%

14. Do you consider yourself to be a supporter of the Tea Party movement, or are you not a supporter of the Tea Party movement?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Supporter .....	11%	11%
Not a supporter .....	40%	46%
Not sure .....	48%	43%

**[If respondent was over 18 in 2012 and “Voted” in Q7, ask Q15]**

15. For whom did you vote for president in 2012?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b> <b>(n=1,799)</b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b> <b>(n=464)</b>
Barack Obama .....	55%	48%
Mitt Romney.....	33%	38%
Someone else .....	5%	6%
Don't remember.....	*	*
Decline to answer .....	6%	8%

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

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Yes.....	26%	30%
No .....	73%	69%
Decline to answer .....	1%	1%

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

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Generally headed in the right direction .....	25%	25%
Off on the wrong track .....	42%	43%
Not sure what direction country is headed in .....	34%	32%
Decline to answer .....	*	*

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

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: Economy.....</b>	<b>55%</b>	<b>59%</b>
General .....	29%	29%
Jobs .....	11%	11%
Budget/Government spending .....	11%	15%
Taxes.....	2%	3%
Money issues/financial stability .....	1%	*
Economic equality/inequality .....	1%	*
Health care, general .....	7%	5%
Foreign Affairs .....	4%	3%
Immigration .....	5%	3%
Education .....	5%	7%
Abortion.....	2%	2%
President Obama/lack of leadership .....	2%	1%
Energy.....	1%	*
Moral and religious issues .....	1%	*
Civil rights .....	1%	1%
Environment .....	1%	1%
Government/political corruption .....	*	1%
Other issues .....	8%	8%
Don't know/No answer.....	5%	4%

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

19. Barack Obama as President.

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Approve .....	52%	50%
Disapprove.....	46%	49%
Decline to answer .....	2%	1%

20. The Democrats in Congress.

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Approve .....	40%	37%
Disapprove.....	58%	61%
Decline to answer .....	2%	2%

21. The Republicans in Congress.

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Approve .....	27%	29%
Disapprove.....	71%	69%
Decline to answer .....	2%	2%

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

22. Gun violence.

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Approve .....	42%	40%
Disapprove.....	56%	59%
Decline to answer .....	1%	1%

23. The economy.

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Approve .....	42%	40%
Disapprove.....	56%	59%
Decline to answer .....	2%	2%

24. Iran.

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Approve .....	47%	49%
Disapprove.....	51%	49%
Decline to answer .....	2%	2%

25. Health care.

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Approve .....	45%	42%
Disapprove.....	53%	57%
Decline to answer .....	2%	2%

26. Federal budget deficit.

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Approve .....	36%	31%
Disapprove.....	62%	68%
Decline to answer .....	2%	2%

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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.

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

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Yes, have enough time .....	52%	50%
No, do not have enough time.....	48%	50%

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

28. Volunteered for community service?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Yes .....	34%	53%
No .....	65%	47%

[If “Yes” in Q28, ask Q29]

29. How often did you participate in this activity?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b> <b>(n=1,061)</b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b> <b>(n=356)</b>
Weekly .....	16%	16%
A few times a month .....	23%	25%
About once a month .....	23%	22%
Less than once a month .....	37%	37%

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

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Yes .....	8%	11%
No .....	91%	88%

**[If “Yes” in Q30, ask Q31]**

31. How often did you participate in this activity?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b> <b>(n=254)</b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b> <b>(n=77)</b>
Weekly .....	15%	8%
A few times a month .....	29%	42%
About once a month .....	19%	17%
Less than once a month .....	36%	33%

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

32. Signed an online petition?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Yes .....	33%	37%
No .....	67%	63%

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

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Yes .....	14%	13%
No .....	86%	87%

34. Attended a political rally or demonstration?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Yes .....	13%	14%
No .....	87%	86%

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

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Yes .....	14%	16%
No .....	86%	84%

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36. Donated money to a political campaign or cause?

	<u>Total:</u> <u>18-29</u>	<u>4-Year</u> <u>College</u>
Yes .....	11%	10%
No .....	89%	90%

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

	<u>Total:</u> <u>18-29</u>	<u>4-Year</u> <u>College</u>
Yes .....	7%	8%
No .....	93%	92%

[If “Yes” in Q3, ask Q38-Q40]

38. Liked a political issue on Facebook?

	<u>Total:</u> <u>18-29</u> <b>(n=2,583)</b>	<u>4-Year</u> <u>College</u> <b>(n=574)</b>
Yes .....	33%	31%
No .....	67%	69%

39. Liked a political candidate on Facebook?

	<u>Total:</u> <u>18-29</u> <b>(n=2,583)</b>	<u>4-Year</u> <u>College</u> <b>(n=574)</b>
Yes .....	27%	25%
No .....	73%	75%

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

	<u>Total:</u> <u>18-29</u> <b>(n=2,583)</b>	<u>4-Year</u> <u>College</u> <b>(n=574)</b>
Yes .....	23%	20%
No .....	77%	80%

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[If “Yes” in Q4, ask Q41]

41. Used Twitter to advocate for a political position?

	<u><b>Total:</b></u> <u><b>18-29</b></u> <u><b>(n=1,030)</b></u>	<u><b>4-Year</b></u> <u><b>College</b></u> <u><b>(n=251)</b></u>
Yes .....	17%	12%
No .....	83%	88%

[If “Yes” in Q3, ask Q42]

42. Do you currently list a political view on your Facebook profile?

	<u><b>Total:</b></u> <u><b>18-29</b></u> <u><b>(n=2,583)</b></u>	<u><b>4-Year</b></u> <u><b>College</b></u> <u><b>(n=574)</b></u>
Yes .....	23%	22%
No .....	77%	78%

43. The grassroots organization that helped elect and re-elect President Obama was recently transformed into a new committee called Organizing for Action whose goal is to support the President’s legislative agenda, train the next generation of grassroots organizers and leaders, and organize around local issues. Assuming political organizers from this committee asked you to engage on a local or national issue, how likely would you be to participate?

	<u><b>Total:</b></u> <u><b>18-29</b></u>	<u><b>4-Year</b></u> <u><b>College</b></u>
<b>Net: Likely</b> .....	<b>26%</b>	<b>25%</b>
Very likely .....	5%	4%
Somewhat likely .....	21%	21%
<b>Net: Unlikely</b> .....	<b>73%</b>	<b>74%</b>
Not very likely .....	33%	35%
Not at all likely .....	40%	39%

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

44. The President.

	<u><b>Total:</b></u> <u><b>18-29</b></u>	<u><b>4-Year</b></u> <u><b>College</b></u>
<u><b>NET: All/Most.....</b></u>	<u><b>39%</b></u>	<u><b>40%</b></u>
All of the time .....	8%	7%
Most of the time .....	31%	34%
<u><b>NET: Sometimes/Never.....</b></u>	<u><b>60%</b></u>	<u><b>59%</b></u>
Some of the time .....	39%	44%
Never .....	21%	15%
Decline to answer .....	1%	*

45. The United States Military.

	<u><b>Total:</b></u> <u><b>18-29</b></u>	<u><b>4-Year</b></u> <u><b>College</b></u>
<u><b>NET: All/Most.....</b></u>	<u><b>54%</b></u>	<u><b>59%</b></u>
All of the time .....	15%	13%
Most of the time .....	39%	46%
<u><b>NET: Sometimes/Never.....</b></u>	<u><b>46%</b></u>	<u><b>41%</b></u>
Some of the time .....	35%	33%
Never .....	11%	8%
Decline to answer .....	1%	1%

46. The Congress.

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: All/Most.....</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>18%</b>
All of the time .....	2%	2%
Most of the time .....	15%	16%
<b>NET: Sometimes/Never.....</b>	<b>81%</b>	<b>81%</b>
Some of the time .....	57%	62%
Never .....	24%	19%
Decline to answer .....	1%	*

47. The Supreme Court.

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: All/Most.....</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>48%</b>
All of the time .....	6%	9%
Most of the time .....	34%	38%
<b>NET: Sometimes/Never.....</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>52%</b>
Some of the time .....	45%	42%
Never .....	13%	10%
Decline to answer .....	1%	*

48. The federal government.

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: All/Most.....</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>25%</b>
All of the time .....	3%	1%
Most of the time .....	19%	23%
<b>NET: Sometimes/Never.....</b>	<b>77%</b>	<b>75%</b>
Some of the time .....	57%	60%
Never .....	20%	15%
Decline to answer .....	1%	*

49. The United Nations.

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: All/Most.....</b>	<b>34%</b>	<b>37%</b>
All of the time .....	5%	7%
Most of the time .....	29%	31%
<b>NET: Sometimes/Never.....</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>62%</b>
Some of the time .....	45%	46%
Never .....	20%	16%
Decline to answer .....	1%	1%

50. Your state government.

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: All/Most.....</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>33%</b>
All of the time .....	3%	3%
Most of the time .....	27%	30%
<b>NET: Sometimes/Never.....</b>	<b>70%</b>	<b>67%</b>
Some of the time .....	53%	53%
Never .....	17%	14%
Decline to answer .....	1%	*

51. Your local government.

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: All/Most.....</b>	<b>34%</b>	<b>41%</b>
All of the time .....	4%	4%
Most of the time .....	30%	37%
<b>NET: Sometimes/Never.....</b>	<b>66%</b>	<b>60%</b>
Some of the time .....	50%	47%
Never .....	16%	13%
Decline to answer .....	1%	—



52. Wall Street.

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: All/Most.....</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>14%</b>
All of the time .....	1%	1%
Most of the time .....	11%	13%
<b>NET: Sometimes/Never.....</b>	<b>87%</b>	<b>86%</b>
Some of the time .....	51%	59%
Never .....	36%	27%
Decline to answer .....	1%	*

53. The media.

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: All/Most.....</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>9%</b>
All of the time .....	2%	2%
Most of the time .....	10%	7%
<b>NET: Sometimes/Never.....</b>	<b>88%</b>	<b>91%</b>
Some of the time .....	51%	58%
Never .....	37%	33%
Decline to answer .....	1%	*

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

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

	<u><b>Total:</b></u> <u><b>18-29</b></u>	<u><b>4-Year</b></u> <u><b>College</b></u>
<b>NET: Agree</b> .....	<b>45%</b>	<b>50%</b>
Strongly agree .....	13%	16%
Somewhat agree.....	31%	34%
Neither agree nor disagree .....	36%	33%
<b>NET: Disagree</b> .....	<b>18%</b>	<b>17%</b>
Somewhat disagree .....	13%	12%
Strongly disagree .....	6%	4%
Decline to answer .....	1%	1%

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

	<u><b>Total:</b></u> <u><b>18-29</b></u>	<u><b>4-Year</b></u> <u><b>College</b></u>
<b>NET: Agree</b> .....	<b>59%</b>	<b>58%</b>
Strongly agree .....	26%	22%
Somewhat agree.....	33%	36%
Neither agree nor disagree .....	33%	35%
<b>NET: Disagree</b> .....	<b>8%</b>	<b>7%</b>
Somewhat disagree .....	6%	5%
Strongly disagree .....	2%	2%
Decline to answer .....	1%	1%

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

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: Agree</b> .....	<b>21%</b>	<b>22%</b>
Strongly agree .....	7%	5%
Somewhat agree.....	14%	17%
Neither agree nor disagree .....	36%	32%
<b>NET: Disagree</b> .....	<b>43%</b>	<b>44%</b>
Somewhat disagree .....	25%	26%
Strongly disagree .....	18%	18%
Decline to answer .....	1%	1%

57. Political involvement rarely has any tangible results.

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: Agree</b> .....	<b>28%</b>	<b>28%</b>
Strongly agree .....	6%	5%
Somewhat agree.....	22%	24%
Neither agree nor disagree .....	43%	38%
<b>NET: Disagree</b> .....	<b>27%</b>	<b>33%</b>
Somewhat disagree .....	21%	25%
Strongly disagree .....	7%	9%
Decline to answer .....	1%	1%

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

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: Agree .....</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>11%</b>
Strongly agree .....	3%	1%
Somewhat agree.....	10%	10%
Neither agree nor disagree .....	25%	25%
<b>NET: Disagree.....</b>	<b>61%</b>	<b>63%</b>
Somewhat disagree .....	26%	25%
Strongly disagree .....	36%	38%
Decline to answer .....	1%	1%

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

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: Agree .....</b>	<b>37%</b>	<b>37%</b>
Strongly agree .....	12%	9%
Somewhat agree.....	25%	28%
Neither agree nor disagree .....	34%	31%
<b>NET: Disagree.....</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>32%</b>
Somewhat disagree .....	19%	19%
Strongly disagree .....	9%	13%
Decline to answer .....	1%	1%

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

	<b>Total:</b>	<b>4-Year</b>
	<b>18-29</b>	<b>College</b>
<b>NET: Agree</b> .....	<b>35%</b>	<b>40%</b>
Strongly agree .....	7%	8%
Somewhat agree.....	28%	32%
Neither agree nor disagree .....	46%	43%
<b>NET: Disagree</b> .....	<b>18%</b>	<b>17%</b>
Somewhat disagree .....	13%	13%
Strongly disagree .....	5%	4%
Decline to answer .....	1%	1%

61. Community service is an honorable thing to do.

	<b>Total:</b>	<b>4-Year</b>
	<b>18-29</b>	<b>College</b>
<b>NET: Agree</b> .....	<b>70%</b>	<b>80%</b>
Strongly agree .....	41%	47%
Somewhat agree.....	29%	33%
Neither agree nor disagree .....	24%	16%
<b>NET: Disagree</b> .....	<b>6%</b>	<b>4%</b>
Somewhat disagree .....	3%	2%
Strongly disagree .....	2%	2%
Decline to answer .....	1%	*

62. Politics has become too partisan.

	<b><u>Total:</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b>
	<b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: Agree</b> .....	<b>48%</b>	<b>49%</b>
Strongly agree .....	23%	25%
Somewhat agree.....	25%	24%
Neither agree nor disagree .....	44%	42%
<b>NET: Disagree</b> .....	<b>8%</b>	<b>7%</b>
Somewhat disagree .....	5%	5%
Strongly disagree .....	3%	1%
Decline to answer .....	1%	2%

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

	<b><u>Total:</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b>
	<b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: Agree</b> .....	<b>31%</b>	<b>33%</b>
Strongly agree .....	8%	7%
Somewhat agree.....	23%	25%
Neither agree nor disagree .....	40%	37%
<b>NET: Disagree</b> .....	<b>29%</b>	<b>29%</b>
Somewhat disagree .....	17%	17%
Strongly disagree .....	12%	12%
Decline to answer .....	1%	1%

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

	<b><u>Total:</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b>
	<b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: Agree</b> .....	<b>48%</b>	<b>49%</b>
Strongly agree .....	23%	25%
Somewhat agree.....	25%	24%
Neither agree nor disagree .....	44%	42%
<b>NET: Disagree</b> .....	<b>8%</b>	<b>7%</b>
Somewhat disagree .....	5%	5%
Strongly disagree .....	3%	1%
Decline to answer .....	1%	2%

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

	<b><u>Total:</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b>
	<b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: Agree</b> .....	<b>20%</b>	<b>21%</b>
Strongly agree .....	6%	4%
Somewhat agree.....	14%	17%
Neither agree nor disagree .....	56%	52%
<b>NET: Disagree</b> .....	<b>23%</b>	<b>26%</b>
Somewhat disagree .....	14%	16%
Strongly disagree .....	9%	10%
Decline to answer .....	1%	1%

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

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: Agree</b> .....	<b>47%</b>	<b>43%</b>
Strongly agree .....	14%	11%
Somewhat agree.....	33%	33%
Neither agree nor disagree .....	36%	38%
<b>NET: Disagree</b> .....	<b>16%</b>	<b>18%</b>
Somewhat disagree .....	13%	15%
Strongly disagree .....	4%	3%
Decline to answer .....	1%	1%

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

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: Agree</b> .....	<b>56%</b>	<b>58%</b>
Strongly agree .....	21%	20%
Somewhat agree.....	35%	38%
Neither agree nor disagree .....	34%	33%
<b>NET: Disagree</b> .....	<b>10%</b>	<b>9%</b>
Somewhat disagree .....	7%	6%
Strongly disagree .....	3%	3%
Decline to answer .....	1%	*



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

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

	<u><b>Total:</b></u> <u><b>18-29</b></u>	<u><b>4-Year</b></u> <u><b>College</b></u>
<b>NET: Agree</b> .....	<b>41%</b>	<b>43%</b>
Strongly agree .....	13%	14%
Somewhat agree.....	29%	28%
Neither agree nor disagree .....	38%	37%
<b>NET: Disagree</b> .....	<b>20%</b>	<b>20%</b>
Somewhat disagree .....	15%	15%
Strongly disagree .....	6%	5%
Decline to answer .....	1%	*

69. 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.

	<u><b>Total:</b></u> <u><b>18-29</b></u>	<u><b>4-Year</b></u> <u><b>College</b></u>
<b>NET: Agree</b> .....	<b>24%</b>	<b>28%</b>
Strongly agree .....	6%	6%
Somewhat agree.....	18%	22%
Neither agree nor disagree .....	48%	45%
<b>NET: Disagree</b> .....	<b>27%</b>	<b>26%</b>
Somewhat disagree .....	19%	18%
Strongly disagree .....	8%	8%
Decline to answer .....	1%	*

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

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: Agree .....</b>	<b>42%</b>	<b>39%</b>
Strongly agree .....	20%	12%
Somewhat agree.....	23%	27%
Neither agree nor disagree .....	30%	28%
<b>NET: Disagree.....</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>32%</b>
Somewhat disagree .....	14%	16%
Strongly disagree .....	13%	17%
Decline to answer .....	1%	*

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

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: Agree .....</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>14%</b>
Strongly agree .....	5%	4%
Somewhat agree.....	11%	10%
Neither agree nor disagree .....	36%	33%
<b>NET: Disagree.....</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>53%</b>
Somewhat disagree .....	19%	19%
Strongly disagree .....	28%	35%
Decline to answer .....	1%	1%

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

	<u><b>Total:</b></u> <u><b>18-29</b></u>	<u><b>4-Year</b></u> <u><b>College</b></u>
<b>NET: Agree</b> .....	<b>24%</b>	<b>23%</b>
Strongly agree .....	9%	8%
Somewhat agree.....	15%	16%
Neither agree nor disagree .....	33%	28%
<b>NET: Disagree</b> .....	<b>42%</b>	<b>48%</b>
Somewhat disagree .....	14%	18%
Strongly disagree .....	28%	31%
Decline to answer .....	1%	*

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

	<u><b>Total:</b></u> <u><b>18-29</b></u>	<u><b>4-Year</b></u> <u><b>College</b></u>
<b>NET: Agree</b> .....	<b>25%</b>	<b>25%</b>
Strongly agree .....	6%	4%
Somewhat agree.....	18%	21%
Neither agree nor disagree .....	40%	38%
<b>NET: Disagree</b> .....	<b>35%</b>	<b>36%</b>
Somewhat disagree .....	19%	21%
Strongly disagree .....	15%	15%
Decline to answer .....	1%	1%

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

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: Agree .....</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>28%</b>
Strongly agree .....	10%	8%
Somewhat agree.....	19%	20%
Neither agree nor disagree .....	45%	42%
<b>NET: Disagree.....</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>29%</b>
Somewhat disagree .....	15%	16%
Strongly disagree .....	11%	13%
Decline to answer .....	1%	*

75. Homosexual relationships are morally wrong.

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: Agree .....</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>28%</b>
Strongly agree .....	18%	18%
Somewhat agree.....	9%	10%
Neither agree nor disagree .....	31%	27%
<b>NET: Disagree.....</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>44%</b>
Somewhat disagree .....	8%	6%
Strongly disagree .....	33%	38%
Decline to answer .....	1%	1%

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

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: Agree .....</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>41%</b>
Strongly agree .....	12%	15%
Somewhat agree.....	27%	26%
Neither agree nor disagree .....	37%	36%
<b>NET: Disagree.....</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>23%</b>
Somewhat disagree .....	17%	16%
Strongly disagree .....	7%	7%
Decline to answer .....	*	*

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

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: Agree .....</b>	<b>53%</b>	<b>54%</b>
Strongly agree .....	25%	25%
Somewhat agree.....	28%	29%
Neither agree nor disagree .....	33%	32%
<b>NET: Disagree.....</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>13%</b>
Somewhat disagree .....	9%	9%
Strongly disagree .....	5%	3%
Decline to answer .....	1%	1%

**[Split Sample]**

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

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b> <b>(n=1,594)</b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b> <b>(n=347)</b>
<b>NET: Agree .....</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>21%</b>
Strongly agree.....	8%	4%
Somewhat agree.....	17%	16%
Neither agree nor disagree.....	42%	46%
<b>NET: Disagree.....</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>32%</b>
Somewhat disagree.....	19%	17%
Strongly disagree.....	13%	15%
Decline to answer .....	*	1%

B. Recent immigration into this country – from Latin America – has done more good than harm.

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b> <b>(n=1,509)</b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b> <b>(n=327)</b>
<b>NET: Agree .....</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>18%</b>
Strongly agree.....	8%	3%
Somewhat agree.....	16%	15%
Neither agree nor disagree.....	47%	57%
<b>NET: Disagree.....</b>	<b>28%</b>	<b>24%</b>
Somewhat disagree.....	16%	18%
Strongly disagree.....	12%	5%
Decline to answer .....	1%	1%

79. The government should spend more to reduce poverty.

	<u>Total:</u> <u>18-29</u>	<u>4-Year</u> <u>College</u>
<b>NET: Agree .....</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>29%</b>
Strongly agree.....	12%	8%
Somewhat agree.....	23%	21%
Neither agree nor disagree.....	37%	39%
<b>NET: Disagree.....</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>32%</b>
Somewhat disagree.....	15%	17%
Strongly disagree.....	12%	14%
Decline to answer.....	1%	1%

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

	<u>Total:</u> <u>18-29</u>	<u>4-Year</u> <u>College</u>
<b>NET: Agree .....</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>24%</b>
Strongly agree.....	7%	7%
Somewhat agree.....	18%	17%
Neither agree nor disagree.....	41%	40%
<b>NET: Disagree.....</b>	<b>34%</b>	<b>36%</b>
Somewhat disagree.....	16%	19%
Strongly disagree.....	17%	17%
Decline to answer.....	1%	1%

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

	<b><u>Total:</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b>
	<b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: Agree .....</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>40%</b>
Strongly agree.....	16%	11%
Somewhat agree.....	28%	29%
Neither agree nor disagree.....	32%	32%
<b>NET: Disagree.....</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>28%</b>
Somewhat disagree.....	14%	16%
Strongly disagree.....	10%	12%
Decline to answer .....	1%	1%

82. I am willing to give up some personal freedom and privacy for the sake of national security.

	<b><u>Total:</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b>
	<b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: Agree .....</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>27%</b>
Strongly agree.....	5%	4%
Somewhat agree.....	21%	23%
Neither agree nor disagree.....	37%	33%
<b>NET: Disagree.....</b>	<b>37%</b>	<b>38%</b>
Somewhat disagree.....	18%	21%
Strongly disagree.....	19%	17%
Decline to answer .....	1%	2%



83. The government should recognize same-sex marriage.

	<u>Total:</u> <u>18-29</u>	<u>4-Year</u> <u>College</u>
<b>NET: Agree</b> .....	<b>42%</b>	<b>44%</b>
Strongly agree.....	29%	31%
Somewhat agree.....	13%	13%
Neither agree nor disagree.....	32%	30%
<b>NET: Disagree</b> .....	<b>26%</b>	<b>25%</b>
Somewhat disagree.....	7%	6%
Strongly disagree.....	19%	19%
Decline to answer .....	1%	1%

84. College opens up enough opportunities to make it worth the money.

	<u>Total:</u> <u>18-29</u>	<u>4-Year</u> <u>College</u>
<b>NET: Agree</b> .....	<b>41%</b>	<b>52%</b>
Strongly agree.....	14%	17%
Somewhat agree.....	27%	35%
Neither agree nor disagree.....	35%	32%
<b>NET: Disagree</b> .....	<b>24%</b>	<b>15%</b>
Somewhat disagree.....	17%	12%
Strongly disagree.....	7%	3%
Decline to answer .....	1%	1%

85. In general, do you think gun control laws should be made more strict, less strict, or kept as they are now?

	<u>Total:</u> <u>18-29</u>	<u>4-Year</u> <u>College</u>
More strict .....	49%	46%
Less strict.....	15%	15%
Kept as they are .....	35%	39%

Do you support or oppose the following:

86. Allowing undocumented immigrant students who arrived in the United States as minors the opportunity to gain permanent residency as long as they attend college or serve in the U.S. Military?

	<u><b>Total:</b></u>	<u><b>4-Year</b></u>
	<u><b>18-29</b></u>	<u><b>College</b></u>
<b>NET: Support</b> .....	<b>49%</b>	<b>44%</b>
Strongly support .....	21%	14%
Somewhat support .....	28%	30%
Unsure.....	28%	29%
<b>NET: Oppose</b> .....	<b>22%</b>	<b>25%</b>
Somewhat oppose .....	11%	11%
Strongly oppose .....	12%	14%
Decline to answer .....	1%	2%

87. Legalizing marijuana.

	<u><b>Total:</b></u>	<u><b>4-Year</b></u>
	<u><b>18-29</b></u>	<u><b>College</b></u>
<b>NET: Support</b> .....	<b>44%</b>	<b>43%</b>
Strongly support .....	23%	20%
Somewhat support .....	22%	22%
Unsure.....	22%	20%
<b>NET: Oppose</b> .....	<b>33%</b>	<b>37%</b>
Somewhat oppose .....	13%	18%
Strongly oppose .....	20%	19%
Decline to answer .....	1%	*

88. An assault weapons ban.

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: Support.....</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>42%</b>
Strongly support .....	25%	24%
Somewhat support .....	16%	18%
Unsure.....	26%	22%
<b>NET: Oppose.....</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>35%</b>
Somewhat oppose .....	14%	16%
Strongly oppose .....	19%	19%
Decline to answer .....	1%	1%

89. A nation-wide ban on high-capacity magazines that allow a shooter to fire multiple rounds without re-loading.

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: Support.....</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>45%</b>
Strongly support .....	29%	27%
Somewhat support .....	14%	18%
Unsure.....	28%	26%
<b>NET: Oppose.....</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>28%</b>
Somewhat oppose .....	12%	13%
Strongly oppose .....	16%	16%
Decline to answer .....	1%	1%

90. A ban on high-capacity magazines that allow for the firing of a large number of rounds before reloading.

	<b>Total:</b>	<b>4-Year</b>
	<b>18-29</b>	<b>College</b>
<b>NET: Support.....</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>44%</b>
Strongly support .....	28%	26%
Somewhat support .....	15%	18%
Unsure.....	28%	26%
<b>NET: Oppose.....</b>	<b>28%</b>	<b>30%</b>
Somewhat oppose .....	12%	14%
Strongly oppose .....	17%	15%
Decline to answer .....	1%	1%

91. Carrying of a concealed weapon on college campuses.

	<b>Total:</b>	<b>4-Year</b>
	<b>18-29</b>	<b>College</b>
<b>NET: Support.....</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>24%</b>
Strongly support .....	11%	8%
Somewhat support .....	14%	16%
Unsure.....	24%	23%
<b>NET: Oppose.....</b>	<b>51%</b>	<b>52%</b>
Somewhat oppose .....	17%	18%
Strongly oppose .....	33%	35%
Decline to answer .....	1%	1%

92. Carrying of a concealed weapon in the workplace.

	<b>Total:</b>	<b>4-Year</b>
	<b>18-29</b>	<b>College</b>
<b>NET: Support.....</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>26%</b>
Strongly support .....	11%	8%
Somewhat support .....	15%	18%
Unsure.....	25%	23%
<b>NET: Oppose.....</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>50%</b>
Somewhat oppose .....	16%	17%
Strongly oppose .....	32%	33%
Decline to answer .....	1%	1%

93. Armed guard in every school.

	<b>Total:</b>	<b>4-Year</b>
	<b>18-29</b>	<b>College</b>
<b>NET: Support.....</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>31%</b>
Strongly support .....	15%	10%
Somewhat support .....	23%	22%
Unsure.....	28%	27%
<b>NET: Oppose.....</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>41%</b>
Somewhat oppose .....	15%	23%
Strongly oppose .....	17%	18%
Decline to answer .....	1%	*

94. Armed guard on college campuses.

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: Support.....</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>37%</b>
Strongly support .....	17%	12%
Somewhat support .....	26%	25%
Unsure.....	29%	30%
<b>NET: Oppose.....</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>33%</b>
Somewhat oppose .....	13%	19%
Strongly oppose .....	14%	14%
Decline to answer .....	1%	1%

95. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable view of the National Rifle Association?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: Favorable .....</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>38%</b>
Very favorable .....	13%	13%
Somewhat favorable .....	25%	25%
<b>NET: Unfavorable .....</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>40%</b>
Somewhat unfavorable .....	20%	21%
Strongly unfavorable .....	18%	19%
Never heard of it.....	23%	21%

96. Do you or an immediate family member own a gun? [Multiple responses allowed]

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Yes, I do.....	18%	14%
Yes, family member does .....	39%	39%
No .....	50%	54%

97. In the last few months, have you used marijuana?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Yes .....	11%	14%
No .....	89%	86%

98. In the last few months, have you used any tobacco product?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Yes .....	21%	15%
No .....	79%	85%

99. In the last few months, have you drunk alcohol?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Yes .....	55%	55%
No .....	45%	45%

100. Overall, do you think there should be more or less legal immigration into the United States?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
More .....	23%	19%
Less .....	41%	43%
Not sure .....	35%	37%

101. Congress is debating changing immigration laws to deal with those already in the country illegally. Which of the following do you support most? [Source: *Bloomberg*]

	<u><b>Total:</b></u> <u><b>18-29</b></u>	<u><b>4-Year</b></u> <u><b>College</b></u>
A path to citizenship now for those who don't have criminal records, have paid taxes, learn English and pay a fine .....	44%	43%
A path to legal status now, but not citizenship, for those who don't have criminal records, have paid taxes learn English and pay a fine .....	22%	22%
A path to citizenship or legal status, but only after measurable improvements have been made in border security .....	11%	13%
No path to citizenship or legal status; they should be required to go home and reapply for entry into the country .....	20%	19%
Refused .....	2%	2%

102. In your opinion, how long should it take for an undocumented immigrant to obtain citizenship?

	<u><b>Total:</b></u> <u><b>18-29</b></u>	<u><b>4-Year</b></u> <u><b>College</b></u>
1 year or less .....	21%	12%
2 years.....	21%	26%
3 years.....	10%	7%
4 to 5 years.....	28%	31%
More than 5 years .....	15%	19%
Refused .....	*	-



### Importance of Issues Facing the United States

In order to measure the relative importance of a set of 16 current issues facing the United States, respondents were asked a series of match-up questions that took the following form:

*Thinking about the major issues facing the United States today, please tell me which of the following two is more important to you:*

Each respondent was shown each individual issue one time, matched up against another issue chosen at random for a total of 8 rated match ups per respondent. On average, each of the 240 potential issue match ups was shown to n=213 respondents. After weighting procedures were performed, each issue was matched against each other issue a minimum of 185 times and a maximum of 245 times, though an analysis of the impacts of weighting procedure showed no significant impact due to weighting procedures on the relative strength of the match ups.

The 16 issues tested were:

- A. Maintaining the most powerful military force in the world
- B. Preventing Iran from acquiring a nuclear weapon
- C. Preventing the spread of terrorism
- D. Maintaining competitiveness against China
- E. Reducing gun violence
- F. Reducing the federal deficit
- G. Addressing Social Security
- H. Creating a world-class education system
- I. Creating jobs and lowering the unemployment rate
- J. Reforming income inequality
- K. Lowering the tax burden for all Americans
- L. Becoming energy independent
- M. Combating the impacts of climate change
- N. Ensuring affordable access to health care
- O. Protecting individual liberties from government
- P. Developing a comprehensive immigration policy

Q103-Q118 Show the aggregate results of these match-ups, with the percentage shown representing the aggregate percentage of times that an issue was rated as more important than the issue it was matched up against. They are displayed in rank order.

A full table of the results of each individual match-up is available.

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103. Creating jobs and lowering the unemployment rate.

	<u>Total:</u> <u>18-29</u>	<u>4-Year</u> <u>College</u>
<b>NET: More Important .....</b>	<b>75%</b>	<b>75%</b>
Much more important .....	46%	41%
Somewhat more important .....	29%	34%
<b>NET: Less Important .....</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>24%</b>
Somewhat less important.....	13%	14%
Much less important .....	10%	10%
Decline to answer .....	2%	2%

104. Reducing the federal deficit.

	<u>Total:</u> <u>18-29</u>	<u>4-Year</u> <u>College</u>
<b>NET: More Important .....</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>66%</b>
Much more important .....	33%	34%
Somewhat more important .....	29%	32%
<b>NET: Less Important .....</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>32%</b>
Somewhat less important.....	20%	19%
Much less important .....	16%	12%
Decline to answer .....	2%	3%

105. Creating a world-class education system.

	<u>Total:</u> <u>18-29</u>	<u>4-Year</u> <u>College</u>
<b>NET: More Important .....</b>	<b>61%</b>	<b>67%</b>
Much more important .....	31%	34%
Somewhat more important .....	29%	33%
<b>NET: Less Important .....</b>	<b>37%</b>	<b>31%</b>
Somewhat less important.....	18%	17%
Much less important .....	19%	14%
Decline to answer .....	2%	2%

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106. Lowering the tax burden for all Americans.

	<u>Total:</u> <u>18-29</u>	<u>4-Year</u> <u>College</u>
<b>NET: More Important .....</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>59%</b>
Much more important .....	27%	26%
Somewhat more important .....	31%	33%
<b>NET: Less Important .....</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>39%</b>
Somewhat less important.....	20%	23%
Much less important .....	20%	16%
Decline to answer .....	3%	2%

107. Ensuring affordable access to health care.

	<u>Total:</u> <u>18-29</u>	<u>4-Year</u> <u>College</u>
<b>NET: More Important .....</b>	<b>56%</b>	<b>52%</b>
Much more important .....	28%	17%
Somewhat more important .....	28%	35%
<b>NET: Less Important .....</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>46%</b>
Somewhat less important.....	22%	28%
Much less important .....	19%	18%
Decline to answer .....	3%	2%

108. Addressing Social Security.

	<u>Total:</u> <u>18-29</u>	<u>4-Year</u> <u>College</u>
<b>NET: More Important .....</b>	<b>52%</b>	<b>54%</b>
Much more important .....	23%	23%
Somewhat more important .....	29%	31%
<b>NET: Less Important .....</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>33%</b>
Somewhat less important.....	26%	28%
Much less important .....	19%	16%
Decline to answer .....	3%	3%

For a full explanation of procedures used in Q103-Q118, please see page 41.

109. Becoming energy independent.

	<u>Total:</u> <u>18-29</u>	<u>4-Year</u> <u>College</u>
<b>NET: More Important .....</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>56%</b>
Much more important .....	23%	23%
Somewhat more important .....	26%	33%
<b>NET: Less Important .....</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>42%</b>
Somewhat less important.....	25%	23%
Much less important .....	23%	19%
Decline to answer .....	2%	3%

110. Preventing the spread of terrorism.

	<u>Total:</u> <u>18-29</u>	<u>4-Year</u> <u>College</u>
<b>NET: More Important .....</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>46%</b>
Much more important .....	24%	18%
Somewhat more important .....	25%	28%
<b>NET: Less Important .....</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>51%</b>
Somewhat less important.....	27%	32%
Much less important .....	23%	19%
Decline to answer .....	2%	3%

111. Preventing Iran from acquiring a nuclear weapon.

	<u>Total:</u> <u>18-29</u>	<u>4-Year</u> <u>College</u>
<b>NET: More Important .....</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>41%</b>
Much more important .....	24%	19%
Somewhat more important .....	23%	22%
<b>NET: Less Important .....</b>	<b>51%</b>	<b>56%</b>
Somewhat less important.....	29%	36%
Much less important .....	22%	20%
Decline to answer .....	3%	3%

For a full explanation of procedures used in Q103-Q118, please see page 41.

112. Protecting individual liberties from government.

	<u>Total:</u> <u>18-29</u>	<u>4-Year</u> <u>College</u>
<b>NET: More Important .....</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>50%</b>
Much more important .....	20%	20%
Somewhat more important .....	27%	30%
<b>NET: Less Important .....</b>	<b>51%</b>	<b>48%</b>
Somewhat less important.....	29%	30%
Much less important .....	22%	18%
Decline to answer .....	2%	3%

113. Reducing gun violence.

	<u>Total:</u> <u>18-29</u>	<u>4-Year</u> <u>College</u>
<b>NET: More Important .....</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>45%</b>
Much more important .....	21%	20%
Somewhat more important .....	23%	25%
<b>NET: Less Important .....</b>	<b>53%</b>	<b>53%</b>
Somewhat less important.....	24%	27%
Much less important .....	29%	27%
Decline to answer .....	3%	2%

114. Developing a comprehensive immigration policy.

	<u>Total:</u> <u>18-29</u>	<u>4-Year</u> <u>College</u>
<b>NET: More Important .....</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>38%</b>
Much more important .....	17%	16%
Somewhat more important .....	26%	23%
<b>NET: Less Important .....</b>	<b>55%</b>	<b>60%</b>
Somewhat less important.....	27%	32%
Much less important .....	28%	28%
Decline to answer .....	2%	2%

For a full explanation of procedures used in Q103-Q118, please see page 41.

115. Reforming income inequality.

	<u>Total:</u> <u>18-29</u>	<u>4-Year</u> <u>College</u>
<b>NET: More Important .....</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>38%</b>
Much more important .....	17%	11%
Somewhat more important .....	24%	27%
<b>NET: Less Important .....</b>	<b>55%</b>	<b>60%</b>
Somewhat less important.....	27%	31%
Much less important .....	28%	29%
Decline to answer .....	4%	3%

116. Maintaining the most powerful military force in the world.

	<u>Total:</u> <u>18-29</u>	<u>4-Year</u> <u>College</u>
<b>NET: More Important .....</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>35%</b>
Much more important .....	15%	13%
Somewhat more important .....	20%	22%
<b>NET: Less Important .....</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>53%</b>
Somewhat less important.....	32%	37%
Much less important .....	30%	27%
Decline to answer .....	3%	2%

117. Combating the impacts of climate change.

	<u>Total:</u> <u>18-29</u>	<u>4-Year</u> <u>College</u>
<b>NET: More Important .....</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>31%</b>
Much more important .....	13%	10%
Somewhat more important .....	20%	20%
<b>NET: Less Important .....</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>68%</b>
Somewhat less important.....	34%	37%
Much less important .....	31%	31%
Decline to answer .....	3%	2%

*For a full explanation of procedures used in Q103-Q118, please see page 41.*

118. Maintaining competitiveness against China.

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: More Important .....</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>32%</b>
Much more important .....	11%	13%
Somewhat more important .....	18%	19%
<b>NET: Less Important .....</b>	<b>69%</b>	<b>66%</b>
Somewhat less important.....	33%	36%
Much less important .....	36%	31%
Decline to answer .....	2%	2%

119. Which of the following statements comes closer to your point of view?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
The United State should take the lead in solving international crises and conflicts .....	29%	28%
The United States should let other countries and the United Nations take the lead in solving international crises and conflicts .....	69%	69%
Decline to answer .....	3%	3%

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

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Very good .....	8%	7%
Fairly good .....	54%	59%
Fairly bad .....	27%	26%
Very bad .....	9%	6%
Decline to answer .....	1%	2%

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

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Better off financially than they are now .....	39%	44%
About the same as they are now .....	31%	33%
Worse off financially than they are now .....	17%	15%
Not sure .....	13%	8%
Decline to answer .....	1%	1%



**[If currently enrolled in a 4-year college in Q1, ask Q122]**

122. 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 after graduation?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b> <b>(n=674)</b>
Very easy .....	-	2%
Somewhat easy .....	-	27%
Somewhat difficult .....	-	62%
Very difficult .....	-	8%
Refused .....	-	1%

123. Do you believe that you have been affected by affirmative action (a policy that qualified minorities should be given special preferences in hiring and education) in higher education or the workplace?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Yes, and it has been to my advantage .....	12%	12%
Yes, and it has been to my disadvantage .....	24%	28%
No .....	62%	57%
Refused .....	2%	2%

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

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Catholic.....	20%	20%
Protestant .....	13%	19%
Fundamentalist/Evangelical Christian.....	13%	12%
LDS/Mormon .....	2%	2%
Jewish .....	1%	3%
Muslim.....	*	*
No religious preference .....	24%	21%
Another religion.....	10%	8%
Decline to answer .....	10%	8%
Not sure .....	5%	3%

**[If NOT “No Religious Preference” in Q124, ask Q125]**

125. How important is religion in your own life?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b> <b>(n=2,011)</b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b> <b>(n=469)</b>
Very important .....	45%	44%
Somewhat important.....	35%	35%
Not very important .....	16%	19%
Not sure .....	4%	2%

**[If “Catholic, Fundamentalist/Evangelical, LDS/Mormon, Protestant, or another religion, or not sure” in Q124 ask Q126]**

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

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b> <b>(n=1,962)</b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b> <b>(n=447)</b>
Yes .....	34%	35%
No .....	49%	52%
Not sure .....	13%	10%
Decline to answer .....	5%	3%

127. Switching topics, which of these best describes your phone service at this time?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Cell phone.....	89%	94%
Landline phone service.....	21%	15%
VOIP phone service.....	3%	2%
None of these.....	5%	4%

**[If currently enrolled in a 4-year college, ask Q128-Q132]**

128. Is your college/university...?

	<u><b>Total:</b></u> <u><b>18-29</b></u>	<u><b>4-Year</b></u> <u><b>College</b></u> <b>(n=674)</b>
Public.....	-	71%
Private.....	-	28%

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

	<u><b>Total:</b></u> <u><b>18-29</b></u>	<u><b>4-Year</b></u> <u><b>College</b></u> <b>(n=674)</b>
In an urban or city area.....	-	46%
In a suburban area next to a city.....	-	26%
In small town or rural area.....	-	26%

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

	<u><b>Total:</b></u> <u><b>18-29</b></u>	<u><b>4-Year</b></u> <u><b>College</b></u> <b>(n=674)</b>
Less than 1,000.....	-	3%
1,000 - 4,999.....	-	32%
5,000 - 9,999.....	-	24%
10,000 - 19,999.....	-	22%
20,000 or more.....	-	19%
Decline to answer.....	-	1%

131. Where do you live while attending college?

	<u><b>Total:</b></u> <u><b>18-29</b></u>	<u><b>4-Year</b></u> <u><b>College</b></u> <b>(n=674)</b>
In an on-campus dormitory.....	-	25%
In fraternity/sorority housing.....	-	*
In a campus-owned apartment.....	-	8%
In an apartment/house that is not campus-owned (not with parents).....	-	36%
At home, with my parents.....	-	25%
Somewhere else.....	-	5%

132. Are you a...?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b> <b>(n=674)</b>
Full-time student.....	-	88%
Part-time student.....	-	11%
Decline to answer .....	-	1%

133. What is your gender?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Male.....	49%	50%
Female .....	51%	50%

134. What is your race and ethnicity?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
White, Non-Hispanic.....	58%	63%
Black, Non-Hispanic .....	13%	13%
Hispanic.....	20%	14%
Other, Non-Hispanic.....	6%	8%
Two or more races, Non-Hispanic.....	2%	2%

135. What is your current education level?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Less than high school .....	12%	1%
High school.....	27%	24%
Some college .....	40%	68%
Bachelor or higher .....	21%	7%

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136. What is your income?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Less than \$5,000 .....	5%	4%
\$5,000 - \$7,499 .....	2%	2%
\$7,500 - \$9,999 .....	3%	3%
\$10,000 - \$12,499 .....	2%	2%
\$12,500 - \$14,999 .....	2%	1%
\$15,000 - \$19,999 .....	3%	2%
\$20,000 - \$24,999 .....	4%	2%
\$25,000 - \$29,999 .....	6%	2%
\$30,000 - \$34,999 .....	5%	4%
\$35,000 - \$39,999 .....	6%	3%
\$40,000 - \$49,999 .....	8%	4%
\$50,000 - \$59,999 .....	9%	8%
\$60,000 - \$74,999 .....	10%	8%
\$75,000 - \$84,999 .....	8%	9%
\$85,000 - \$99,999 .....	8%	10%
\$100,000 - \$124,999 .....	9%	15%
\$125,000 - \$149,000 .....	4%	6%
\$150,000 - \$174,999 .....	3%	5%
\$175,000 or more .....	4%	9%

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

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Married .....	24%	11%
Widowed.....	*	-
Divorced .....	1%	*
Separated .....	1%	1%
Never married.....	60%	83%
Living with partner .....	14%	6%

138. Age:

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
18 .....	8%	9%
19 .....	8%	17%
20 .....	9%	17%
21 .....	9%	20%
22 .....	9%	13%
23 .....	8%	7%
24 .....	7%	4%
25 .....	7%	3%
26 .....	7%	3%
27 .....	8%	2%
28 .....	9%	2%
29 .....	11%	3%

139. Are you the head of your household?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Yes .....	43%	29%
No .....	56%	71%

140. 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.

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
1 .....	7%	4%
2 .....	22%	14%
3 .....	24%	27%
4 .....	25%	32%
5 .....	13%	15%
6 .....	6%	5%
7 .....	2%	3%
8 .....	1%	1%
9 .....	*	-
10 .....	1%	-
13 .....	*	-

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

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
0 – 12 months old .....	0.12	0.04
2 – 5 years old .....	0.22	0.09
6 – 12 years old .....	0.22	0.16
13 – 17 years old .....	0.28	0.41
18 years or older .....	2.70	3.06

142. Which statement best describes your current employment status?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
<b>NET: Working .....</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>61%</b>
As a paid employee .....	58%	59%
Self-employed .....	4%	2%
<b>NET: Not Working .....</b>	<b>37%</b>	<b>39%</b>
On temporary layoff from a job.....	1%	1%
Looking for work .....	19%	18%
Disabled .....	1%	*
Other .....	16%	20%

143. Are your living quarters...?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Owned or being bought by you or someone in your household .....	57%	73%
Rented for cash .....	39%	24%
Occupied without payment of cash rent .....	3%	3%

144. Which best describes the building where you live?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
A one-family house detached from any other house.....	60%	81%
A one-family house attached to one or more houses .....	12%	5%
A building with two or more apartments.....	24%	13%
A mobile home .....	4%	1%
Boat, RV, van, etc. ....	*	-

145. Do you have Internet access in your home?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Yes.....	94%	98%
No .....	6%	2%

146. What region do you live in?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Northeast .....	18%	22%
Midwest .....	22%	23%
South .....	36%	32%
West .....	25%	22%

147. Do you live in a metro or non-metro area?

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
Non-metro (rural) .....	14%	16%
Metro .....	86%	84%



148. What region do you live in? (Based on state of residence)

	<b><u>Total:</u></b> <b><u>18-29</u></b>	<b><u>4-Year</u></b> <b><u>College</u></b>
New England .....	5%	5%
Mid-Atlantic .....	13%	18%
East-North Central .....	14%	15%
West-North Central .....	8%	9%
South Atlantic .....	20%	19%
East-South Central .....	5%	6%
West-South Central .....	10%	8%
Mountain .....	7%	8%
Pacific .....	17%	13%

<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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