

Interviews with 1,023 adult Americans conducted by telephone by Opinion Research Corporation on May 21-23, 2010. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 3 percentage points.

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- 31. Would you like to see the number of **illegal** immigrants currently in this country increased, decreased, or remain the same?
- 32. (IF DECREASED) Would you like to see the number of **illegal** immigrants decreased only a little, decreased a lot, or would you like to see all illegal immigrants who are currently in the country removed from the U.S.?

# **QUESTION 31 ONLY**

-	Increased	Remain the same	Decreased	No opinion
May 21-23, 2010	2%	21%	76%	1%
Oct. 16-18, 2009 Jan. 14-17, 2008 Oct. 12-14, 2007 Oct. 20-22, 2006 June 8-11, 2006	3% 5% 7% 5% 2%	22% 29% 22% 27% 26%	73% 65% 69% 67%	1% 1% 2% 1% 6%

# **QUESTION 31 AND 32 COMBINED**

	Increased	Remain the same	Decrease <u>a little</u>	Decreased <u>a lot</u>	Remove <u>all</u>	No opinion
May 21-23, 2010	2%	21%	14%	20%	41%	2%
Oct. 16-18, 2009	3%	22%	13%	23%	37%	2%
Jan. 14-17, 2008	5%	29%	15%	23%	26%	2%
Oct. 12-14, 2007	7%	22%	16%	22%	30%	3%
Oct. 20-22, 2006	5%	27%	16%	22%	28%	2%
June 8-11, 2006	2%	26%	15%	18%	34%	6%

- Would you like to see the number of **legal** immigrants currently in this country increased, decreased, or remain the same?
- 34. (IF DECREASED) Would you like to see the number of **legal** immigrants decreased only a little, decreased a lot, or would you like to see all legal immigrants who are currently in the country removed from the U.S?

# **QUESTION 33 ONLY**

	Remain			No	
	<u>Increased</u>	the same	<u>Decreased</u>	<u>opinion</u>	
May 21-23, 2010	23%	65%	11%	*	

### **QUESTION 33 AND 34 COMBINED**

	Increased	Remain the same	Decrease <u>a little</u>	Decreased <u>a lot</u>	Remove <u>all</u>	No <u>opinion</u>
May 21-23, 2010	23%	65%	5%	3%	3%	1%

35. What should be the main focus of the U.S. government in dealing with the issue of illegal immigration -- developing a plan that would allow illegal immigrants who have jobs to become legal U.S. residents, or developing a plan for stopping the flow of illegal immigrants into the U.S. and for deporting those already here?

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	Allow to become	Stop illegals/	<u>No</u>
	Legal resident	Deport those here	opinion
2005Dec 9-11 *	41	56	3

<sup>\*</sup> Asked of half sample

36. Would you favor or oppose each of the following proposals: (RANDOM ORDER)

	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	No opinion
Building a 700 mile long fence on the border with Mexico			
May 21-23, 2010	54%	45%	1%
May 4-6, 2007	45%	53%	2%
October 20-22, 2006	45%	53%	2%
June 8-11, 2006	45%	50%	5%
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Creating a program that would allow illegal immigrants			
already living in the United States for a number of			
years to stay here and apply to legally remain in this			
country permanently if they had a job and			
paid back taxes			
May 21-23, 2010	80%	19%	1%
May 4-6, 2007*	80%	19%	1%
April 10-12, 2007*	77%	21%	2%
May 16-17, 2006*	79%	18%	3%
*QUESTION WORDING: Creating a program that would allow illegal immigrants already li country and apply for U.S. citizenship if they had a job and paid back taxes.  Imposing fines of tens of thousands of dollars	ving in the Unitea	States for a number of y	ears to stay in this
on employers who hire illegal immigrants			
May 21-23, 2010	71%	28%	2%
October 20-22, 2006	58%	40%	2%
June 8-11, 2006	60%	36%	4%
Sending employers who hire illegal immigrants to jail	4=0 /	<b>-</b> 40/	••
May 21-23, 2010	47%	51%	2%
October 20-22, 2006	44%	54%	2%
June 8-1, 2006	40%	55%	5%
Putting more Border Patrol and federal law			
enforcement agents on the U.S. border with Mexico			
May 21-23, 2010	88%	12%	1%
October 20-22, 2006	74%	25%	1%
June 8-11, 2006	78%	19%	3%
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Creating an ID card issued by the federal government that all U.S. citizens and legal immigrants would be required to show to an employer when applying			
for a job	700/	2007	•
May 21-23, 2010	70%	30%	*

37. As you may know, Arizona recently passed a law concerning illegal immigrants. Based on what you have read or heard about that law, do you favor or oppose it?

	May 21-23 2010
Favor	57%
Oppose	37%
No opinion	6%

38. Some people have called for a boycott until the Arizona government repeals this law. People who participate in the boycott would not buy products made in Arizona or travel to Arizona for vacations or conferences. Do you think you would or would not participate in this boycott?

	May 21-23 2010
Would participate in boycott	17%
Would not	82%
No opinion	1%