

Interviews with $\mathbf{1 , 0 1 2}$ adult Americans conducted by telephone by ORC International on July 18-20, 2014. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 3 percentage points.

The sample also includes 899 interviews among registered voters (plus or minus 3.5 percentage points)

The sample includes 662 interviews among landline respondents and 350 interviews among cell phone respondents.
9. How much of the time do you think you can trust the government in Washington to do what is right -- just about always, most of the time, or only some of the time?

|  | Just about <br> always | Most of <br> the time | Only some <br> of the time | Never <br> (vol.) | No <br> opinion |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| July 18-20, 2014 | $1 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $76 \%$ |  | $10 \%$ | $*$ |
| September 23-25, 2011 | $2 \%$ | $13 \%$ | $77 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $*$ |  |
| September 1-2,2010 | $2 \%$ | $23 \%$ | $66 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $*$ |  |
| February 12-15,2010 | $2 \%$ | $24 \%$ | $69 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $*$ |  |
| December 16-20, 2009 | $2 \%$ | $18 \%$ | $72 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $*$ |  |
| December 19-21,2008 | $3 \%$ | $22 \%$ | $66 \%$ |  | $9 \%$ | $*$ |


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|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Al- } \\ \text { ways } \end{gathered}$ | Most | Some | Never <br> (vol.) | No opinion |  | Always | Most | Some | Never <br> (vol.) | No opinion |
| 2006 Jan 6-8 | 4 | 28 | 64 | 3 | 1 | 1990 | 3 | 25 | 68 | 2 | 2 |
| 2005 Jun 16-19 | 4 | 26 | 65 | 5 | * | 1988 | 4 | 37 | 56 | 2 | 1 |
| 2003 Oct 24-26 | 4 | 33 | 58 | 4 | 1 | 1986 | 3 | 35 | 58 | 2 | 2 |
| 2002 Sep 2-4 | 8 | 38 | 52 | 2 | * | 1984 | 4 | 40 | 53 | 1 | 2 |
| 2002 Jun 17-19 | 6 | 39 | 51 | 3 | 1 | 1982 | 2 | 31 | 62 | 2 | 3 |
| 2001 Oct 5-6 | 13 | 47 | 38 | 1 | 1 | 1980 | 2 | 23 | 69 | 4 | 2 |
| 2000 Jul 6-9 | 4 | 38 | 56 | 2 | * | 1978 | 2 | 27 | 64 | 4 | 3 |
| 1999 Feb 4-8 | 5 | 29 | 64 | 2 | * | 1976 | 3 | 30 | 62 | 1 | 4 |
| 1998 Jan 30-Feb 1 | 6 | 33 | 59 | 2 | * | 1974 | 2 | 34 | 61 | 1 | 2 |
| 1997 May 30-Jun 1 | 3 | 29 | 65 | 2 | 1 | 1972 | 5 | 48 | 44 | 1 | 2 |
| 1996 May 9-12 | 2 | 24 | 69 | 4 | 1 | 1970 | 7 | 47 | 44 | * | 2 |
| 1995 Aug 4-7 | 2 | 20 | 71 | 5 | 2 | 1968 | 7 | 54 | 37 | * | 2 |
| 1994 Jun 3-6 | 3 | 14 | 73 | 9 | 1 | 1966 | 17 | 48 | 28 | 3 | 4 |
| 1994 Jan 28-30 | 1 | 19 | 74 | 5 | 1 | 1964 | 14 | 62 | 22 | * | 2 |
| 1993 Mar 22-24 | 3 | 20 | 75 | 2 | * | 1958 | 16 | 57 | 23 | * | 4 |
| 1992 Jun 4-8 | 2 | 21 | 71 | 4 | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |

10. How much of the time do you think you can trust big businesses to do what is right -- just about always, most of the time, or only some of the time?

July 18-20
$\underline{2014}$
Just about always $\quad 1 \%$
Most of the time 16\%
Only some of the time $\quad 73 \%$
Never (vol.) $9 \%$
No opinion *
40. Now thinking for a moment about the Watergate affair during President Richard Nixon's administration. It has now been 40 years since Nixon resigned as President. Which of these two statements comes closer to your own point of view about Watergate--it was a very serious matter because it revealed corruption in the Nixon Administration or it was just politics -- the kind of thing both parties engage in?

July 18-20
$\underline{\underline{2014}}$
Serious matter $\quad 51 \%$
Just politics 46\%
No opinion 3\%

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|  | Very serious | Just politics | No opinion |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  |  | 42 | 7 |
| 2002 Jun 7-8 | 51 | 46 | 3 |
| 1999 Aug 2-4 | 51 | 44 | 4 |
| 1997 May 30-Jun 1 | 52 | 46 | 5 |
| 1992 Jun 4-8 | 49 | 45 | 3 |
| 1982 Jun 2-3 | 52 |  | 4 |

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## METHODOLOGY

A total of 1,012 adults were interviewed by telephone nationwide by live interviewers calling both landline and cell phones. All respondents were asked questions concerning basic demographics, and the entire sample was weighted to reflect national Census figures for gender, race, age, education, region of country, and telephone usage. Among the entire sample, $32 \%$ described themselves as Democrats, 24\% described themselves as Republicans, and 44\% described themselves as Independents or members of another party

Crosstabs on the following pages only include results for subgroups with enough unweighted cases to produce a sampling error of $+/-8.5$ percentage points or less. Some subgroups represent too small a share of the national population to produce crosstabs with an acceptable sampling error. Interviews were conducted among these subgroups, but results for groups with a sampling error larger than $+/-8.5$ percentage points are not displayed and instead are denoted with "N/A".

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Question 9
How much of the time do you think you can trust the government in Washington to do what is right -- just about always, most of the time, or only some of the time?

Base = Total Sample

|  | Total | Men | Women | White | Non-White |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | ----- | ---- | ----- | ----- | $-------1 \%$ |
| Just about always | $1 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $*$ | $3 \%$ |
| Most of the time | $12 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $20 \%$ |
| Only some of the time | $76 \%$ | $73 \%$ | $79 \%$ | $80 \%$ | $66 \%$ |
| NEVER | $10 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $10 \%$ |
| No opinion | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
| Sampling Error | $+/-3.0$ | $+/-4.5$ | $+/-4.5$ | $+/-3.5$ | $+/-6.5$ |

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* percentage less than 1\%

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Question 10
How much of the time do you think you can trust big businesses to do what is right -- just about always, most of the time, or only some of the time?

Base = Total Sample

|  | Total | Men | Women | White | Non-White |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Just about always | ---- | ---- | ----- | ----- | -------- |
| Most of the time | $1 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $3 \%$ |
| Only some of the time | $16 \%$ | $18 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $16 \%$ | $15 \%$ |
| NEVER | $73 \%$ | $70 \%$ | $76 \%$ | $74 \%$ | $71 \%$ |
| No opinion | $9 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $11 \%$ |
| Sampling Error | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
|  | $+/-3.0$ | $+/-4.5$ | $+/-4.5$ | $+/-3.5$ | $+/-6.5$ |

Just about always
Most of the time

|  | $18-$ | $35-$ | $50-$ |  | Under | 50 and |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 34 | 49 | 64 | $65+$ | 50 | Older |
| ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| $1 \%$ | $\star$ | $2 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $2 \%$ |
| $16 \%$ | $18 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $17 \%$ | $17 \%$ | $15 \%$ | $17 \%$ |
| $73 \%$ | $72 \%$ | $78 \%$ | $70 \%$ | $74 \%$ | $74 \%$ | $72 \%$ |
| $9 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $9 \%$ |
| $\star$ | $\star$ | $\star$ | $\star$ | $\star$ | $\star$ | $\star$ |
| $+/-3.0$ | $+/-7.5$ | $+/-7.0$ | $+/-5.5$ | $+/-5.5$ | $+/-5.0$ | $+/-4.0$ |

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Question 40
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administration. It has now been 40 years since Nixon resigned as president. Which of these
two statements comes closer to your own point of view about Watergate--it was a very serious
matter because it revealed corruption in the Nixon Administration or it was just politics -- the
kind of thing both parties engage in?
Base = Total Sample
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|  | Total | Men | Women | White | Non-White |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | ----- | ---- | ----- | ----- | ------- |
| Serious matter | $51 \%$ | $51 \%$ | $51 \%$ | $54 \%$ | $46 \%$ |
| Just politics | $46 \%$ | $46 \%$ | $46 \%$ | $44 \%$ | $51 \%$ |
| No opinion | $3 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $3 \%$ |
| Sampling Error | $+/-3.0$ | $+/-4.5$ | $+/-4.5$ | $+/-3.5$ | $+/-6.5$ |

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[^0]:    2002 INTRODUCTION: It has now been 30 years since the break-in at the Watergate...
    1999 INTRODUCTION: It has now been 25 years since Richard Nixon resigned as President over the Watergate controversy... 1997 INTRODUCTION: It has now been 25 years since the break-in at the Watergate...
    1992 INTRODUCTION: It has now been 20 years since the break-in at the Watergate...
    1982 INTRODUCTION: It has now been 10 years since the break-in at the Watergate...

[^1]:    * percentage less than 1\%

