

Interviews with $\mathbf{1 , 0 1 1}$ adult Americans conducted by telephone by ORC International on December 18-21, 2014. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 3 percentage points.

The sample includes 660 interviews among landline respondents and 351 interviews among cell phone respondents.
16. Which of the following statements comes closest to your view of global warming: (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 506 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION A. SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Dec. 18-21 } \\ 2014 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Jan. 14-15 } \\ \underline{2013} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Sept. 9-11 } \\ \underline{2011} \end{gathered}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Global warming is a proven fact and is mostly caused by emissions from cars and industrial facilities such as power plants and factories | 50\% | 49\% | 48\% |  |
| Global warming is a proven fact and is mostly caused by natural changes that have nothing to do with emissions from cars and industrial facilities | 23\% | 24\% | 22\% |  |
| Global warming is a theory that has not yet been proven | 26\% | 23\% | 29\% |  |
| No opinion | 1\% | 3\% | 1\% |  |
|  | Dec. 2-3 2009* | $\begin{gathered} \text { June 4-5 } \\ \underline{2008} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Oct. 12-14 } \\ \underline{2007} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { May 4-6 } \\ \underline{2007} \end{gathered}$ |
| Global warming is a proven fact and is mostly caused by emissions from cars and industrial facilities such as power plants and factories | 45\% | 54\% | 56\% | 54\% |
| Global warming is a proven fact and is mostly caused by natural changes that have nothing to do with emissions from cars and industrial facilities | 23\% | 22\% | 21\% | 20\% |
| Global warming is a theory that has not yet been proven | 31\% | 23\% | 21\% | 22\% |
| No opinion | 1\% | 1\% | 2\% | 4\% |

*Asked of a half sample
17. Do you think that global warming will pose a serious threat to you or your way of life in your lifetime? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 505 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION B. SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

Dec. 18-21
$\underline{2014}$

| Yes | $43 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| No | $57 \%$ |

CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRENDS

|  | $\underline{2002 \text { Mar 4-7 }}$ | $\underline{2001 \text { Mar 5-7 }}$ | $\underline{1997 \text { Nov 6-9* }}$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Yes | 33 | 31 | 25 |
| No | 65 | 66 | 69 |
| No opinion | 2 | 3 | 6 |

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## METHODOLOGY

A total of 1,011 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, $28 \%$ described themselves as Democrats, $22 \%$ described themselves as Republicans, and $50 \%$ 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".

CNN/ORC International Poll -- December 18 to 21, 2014
Question 16
Which of the following statements comes closest to your view of global warming:

|  | Total | Men | Women W | White Non | n-White |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Emissions cause global warming | - $50 \%$ | 42\% | 58\% | 43\% | N/A |  |  |  |
| Nature causes global warming | 23\% | 25\% | 21\% | 26\% | N/A |  |  |  |
| Global warming is a theory | 26\% | 31\% | 20\% | 31\% | N/A |  |  |  |
| No opinion | 1\% | 2\% | * | 1\% | N/A |  |  |  |
| Sampling Error | +/-4.5 | +/-6.0 | +/-6.0 +/- | -5.0 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 18- | 35- | 50- |  | Under | 50 and |  |
|  | Total | 34 | 49 | 64 | 65+ | 50 | Older |  |
| Emissions cause global warming | 50\% | N/A | N/A | 45\% | 49\% | 53\% | 46\% |  |
| Nature causes global warming | 23\% | N/A | N/A | 26\% | 22\% | 22\% | 25\% |  |
| Global warming is a theory | 26\% | N/A | N/A | 29\% | 28\% | 23\% | 28\% |  |
| No opinion | 1\% | N/A | N/A | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% |  |
| Sampling Error | +/-4.5 |  |  | +/-7.5 | +/-8.0 | +/-7.5 | +/-5.5 |  |
|  | Total | Under \$50K | $\$ 50 \mathrm{~K}$ <br> or more | No College | Attended College | d Urban | Suburban | Rural |
| Emissions cause global warming | 50\% | 52\% | 48\% | 56\% | 46\% | 62\% | 49\% | N/A |
| Nature causes global warming | 23\% | 25\% | 22\% | 25\% | 22\% | 16\% | 26\% | N/A |
| Global warming is a theory | 26\% | 22\% | 30\% | 19\% | 30\% | 21\% | 24\% | N/A |
| No opinion | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | * | 2\% | 1\% | * | N/A |
| Sampling Error | +/-4.5 | $+/-7.0$ | +/-6.0 | +/-8.0 | +/-5.5 | +/-7.5 | +/-6.5 |  |
|  | Total | Democrat | Independent | Repub- <br> lican | Liberal | Moderate | Conservative |  |
| Emissions cause global warming | - 50\% | 69\% | 50\% | 28\% | N/A | 57\% | 24\% |  |
| Nature causes global warming | 23\% | 20\% | 23\% | 26\% | N/A | 25\% | 29\% |  |
| Global warming is a theory | 26\% | 10\% | 26\% | 44\% | N/A | 16\% | 46\% |  |
| No opinion | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | N/A | 1\% | 1\% |  |
| Sampling Error | +/-4.5 | +/-8.0 | +/-6.5 | +/-8.5 |  | +/-7.5 | +/-7.0 |  |
|  | Total | North east | Midwest | South | West | Urban | Suburban | Rural |
| Emissions cause global warming | 50\% | N/A | N/A | 42\% | N/A | 62\% | 49\% | N/A |
| Nature causes global warming | 23\% | N/A | N/A | 28\% | N/A | 16\% | 26\% | N/A |
| Global warming is a theory | 26\% | N/A | N/A | 29\% | N/A | 21\% | 24\% | N/A |
| No opinion | 1\% | N/A | N/A | 1\% | N/A | 1\% | * | N/A |
| Sampling Error | +/-4.5 |  |  | +/-7.0 |  | +/-7.5 | +/-6.5 |  |

* percentage less than $1 \%$

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[^0]:    * Based on half sample

