

The logo for the CNN | ORC POLL. It features the CNN logo in a stylized, outlined font on the left, followed by a vertical bar and the letters 'ORC' in a bold, sans-serif font. Below this, the word 'POLL' is written in large, bold, white capital letters on a black rectangular background.

CNN | ORC POLL

Interviews with 1,011 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.

20. As you may know, the U.S. government authorized the use of harsh interrogation procedures, including the procedure known as waterboarding, when the U.S. captured suspected terrorists. Based on what you have read or heard, do you approve or disapprove of the U.S. government's decision to use those procedures while questioning suspected terrorists? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 506 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION A. SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

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Approve	66%
Disapprove	34%
No opinion	*

21. Would you be willing or not willing to have the U.S. government torture suspected terrorists if they may know details about future terrorist attacks against the U.S.? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 505 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION B. SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

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Willing	52%
Not willing	47%
No opinion	1%

CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRENDS

	<u>Yes, willing</u>	<u>No, not willing</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2005 Nov 11-13*	38	56	6

* Based on half sample

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".

Question 20

As you may know, the U.S. government authorized the use of harsh interrogation procedures, including the procedure known as waterboarding, when the U.S. captured suspected terrorists. Based on what you have read or heard, do you approve or disapprove of the U.S. government's decision to use those procedures while questioning suspected terrorists?

Base = Half Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White			
Approve	66%	71%	60%	65%	N/A			
Disapprove	34%	28%	40%	35%	N/A			
No opinion	*	1%	*	*	N/A			
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-6.0	+/-5.0				

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older		
Approve	66%	N/A	N/A	62%	58%	70%	60%		
Disapprove	34%	N/A	N/A	38%	41%	30%	39%		
No opinion	*	N/A	N/A	1%	1%	*	1%		
Sampling Error	+/-4.5			+/-7.5	+/-8.0	+/-7.5	+/-5.5		

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Approve	66%	64%	67%	67%	65%	59%	70%	N/A
Disapprove	34%	36%	33%	32%	34%	41%	30%	N/A
No opinion	*	*	*	*	*	*	1%	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-7.0	+/-6.0	+/-8.0	+/-5.5	+/-7.5	+/-6.5	

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative		
Approve	66%	42%	70%	86%	N/A	62%	81%		
Disapprove	34%	58%	30%	14%	N/A	38%	18%		
No opinion	*	1%	*	*	N/A	*	1%		
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-8.0	+/-6.5	+/-8.5		+/-7.5	+/-7.0		

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Approve	66%	N/A	N/A	77%	N/A	59%	70%	N/A
Disapprove	34%	N/A	N/A	23%	N/A	41%	30%	N/A
No opinion	*	N/A	N/A	*	N/A	*	1%	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-4.5			+/-7.0		+/-7.5	+/-6.5	

* percentage less than 1%

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Question 21

Would you be willing or not willing to have the U.S. government torture suspected terrorists if they may know details about future terrorist attacks against the U.S.?

Base = Half Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Willing	52%	55%	49%	55%	N/A
Not willing	47%	44%	49%	44%	N/A
No opinion	1%	1%	2%	2%	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-6.0	+/-5.0	

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Willing	52%	N/A	N/A	54%	53%	51%	53%
Not willing	47%	N/A	N/A	46%	42%	48%	44%
No opinion	1%	N/A	N/A	*	4%	1%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-4.5			+/-8.5	+/-7.0	+/-7.5	+/-5.5

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Willing	52%	50%	57%	56%	49%	51%	50%	N/A
Not willing	47%	49%	41%	43%	49%	48%	48%	N/A
No opinion	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	2%	2%	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-7.0	+/-6.5	+/-7.5	+/-5.5	+/-7.5	+/-6.5	

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Willing	52%	33%	56%	N/A	N/A	49%	66%
Not willing	47%	65%	43%	N/A	N/A	49%	32%
No opinion	1%	2%	1%	N/A	N/A	2%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-8.0	+/-6.5			+/-7.5	+/-7.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Willing	52%	44%	N/A	58%	N/A	51%	50%	N/A
Not willing	47%	53%	N/A	42%	N/A	48%	48%	N/A
No opinion	1%	3%	N/A	*	N/A	2%	2%	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-8.5		+/-8.0		+/-7.5	+/-6.5	

* percentage less than 1%