

Interviews with $\mathbf{1 , 0 1 8}$ adult Americans conducted by telephone by ORC International on December 17-21, 2015. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 3 percentage points.

The sample also includes 927 interviews among registered voters (plus or minus 3 percentage points).

This sample includes 618 interviews among landline respondents and 400 interviews among cell phone respondents.

## EMBARGOED FOR RELEASE: Monday, December 28 at 6:00 a.m.

1. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president?

|  | Approve | Disapprove | No opinion |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { App- } \\ & \text { rove } \end{aligned}$ | Disapprove | No opinion |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dec. 17-21, 2015 | 47\% | 52\% | 1\% | Dec. 17-18, 2012 | 52\% | 43\% | 4\% |
|  |  |  |  | Nov. 16-18, 2012 | 52\% | 43\% | 5\% |
| Nov. 27-Dec. 1, 2015 | 45\% | 53\% | 3\% | Nov. 2-4, 2012 | 51\% | 45\% | 4\% |
| Oct. 14-17, 2015 | 46\% | 51\% | 2\% | Sept. 28-30, 2012 | 49\% | 48\% | 3\% |
| Sept. 17-19, 2015 | 44\% | 50\% | 6\% | Sept. 7-9, 2012 | 51\% | 44\% | 5\% |
| Sept. 4-8, 2015 | 45\% | 52\% | 3\% | Aug. 31-Sept. 3, 2012 | 48\% | 45\% | 7\% |
| Aug. 13-16, 2015 | 47\% | 51\% | 2\% | Aug. 22-23, 2012 | 50\% | 44\% | 6\% |
| July 22-25, 2015 | 49\% | 47\% | 4\% | Aug. 7-8, 2012 | 50\% | 47\% | 3\% |
| June 26-28, 2015 | 50\% | 47\% | 3\% | June 28-July 1, 2012 | 51\% | 47\% | 2\% |
| May 29-31, 2015 | 45\% | 52\% | 2\% | May 29-31, 2012 | 52\% | 47\% | 1\% |
| April 16-19, 2015 | 48\% | 47\% | 5\% | Apr. 13-15, 2012 | 49\% | 48\% | 3\% |
| Mar. 13-15, 2015 | 46\% | 51\% | 3\% | March 24-25, 2012 | 51\% | 45\% | 4\% |
| Feb. 12-15, 2015 | 47\% | 51\% | 2\% | Feb. 10-13, 2012 | 50\% | 48\% | 2\% |
| Dec. 18-21, 2014 | 48\% | 50\% | 2\% | Jan. 11-12, 2012 | 47\% | 51\% | 3\% |
| Nov. 21-23, 2014 | 44\% | 53\% | 3\% | Dec. 16-18, 2011 | 49\% | 48\% | 3\% |
| Oct. 24-26, 2014 | 45\% | 53\% | 3\% | Nov. 18-20, 2011 | 44\% | 54\% | 3\% |
| Sept. 25-28, 2014 | 44\% | 52\% | 4\% | Nov. 11-13, 2011 | 46\% | 52\% | 2\% |
| Sept. 5-7, 2014 | 43\% | 55\% | 2\% | Oct.14-16, 2011 | 46\% | 50\% | 3\% |
| July 18-20, 2014 | 42\% | 55\% | 3\% | Sept. 23-25, 2011 | 45\% | 52\% | 3\% |
| May 29-June 1, 2014 | 43\% | 55\% | 2\% | Sept. 9-11, 2011 | 43\% | 55\% | 2\% |
| May 2-4, 2014 | 43\% | 55\% | 2\% | Aug. 24-25, 2011 | 45\% | 54\% | 1\% |
| March 7-9, 2014 | 43\% | 53\% | 4\% | Aug. 5-7, 2011 | 44\% | 54\% | 2\% |
| Jan. 31-Feb 2, 2014 | 45\% | 50\% | 5\% | Aug. 1, 2011 | 45\% | 52\% | 2\% |
| Dec. 16-19, 2013 | 41\% | 56\% | 3\% | June 3-7, 2011 | 48\% | 48\% | 5\% |
| Nov. 18-20, 2013 | 41\% | 56\% | 3\% | May 24-26, 2011 | 54\% | 45\% | 2\% |
| Oct. 18-20, 2013 | 44\% | 52\% | 4\% | May 2, 2011 | 52\% | 43\% | 5\% |
| Sept. 27-29, 2013 | 44\% | 53\% | 4\% | Apr. 29-May 1, 2011 | 51\% | 46\% | 3\% |
| Sept. 6-8, 2013 | 45\% | 52\% | 3\% | Apr. 9-10, 2011 | 48\% | 50\% | 2\% |
| June 11-13, 2013 | 45\% | 54\% | 1\% | March 18-20, 2011 | 51\% | 47\% | 2\% |
| May 17-18, 2013 | 53\% | 45\% | 2\% | March 11-13, 2011 | 50\% | 47\% | 3\% |
| April 5-7, 2013 | 51\% | 47\% | 3\% | Jan. 21-23, 2011 | 55\% | 44\% | 1\% |
| March 15-17, 2013 | 47\% | 50\% | 3\% | Jan. 14-16, 2011 | 53\% | 45\% | 2\% |
| Jan. 14-15, 2013 | 55\% | 43\% | 2\% |  |  |  |  |

(QUESTION 1 CONTINUED ON THE NEXT PAGE)

1. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president?

|  | App- <br> rove | Disapprove | No opinion |  | App- <br> rove | Disapprove | No opinion |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dec. 17-19, 2010 | 48\% | 48\% | 4\% | Dec. 16-20, 2009 | 54\% | 44\% | 2\% |
| Nov. 11-14, 2010 | 48\% | 50\% | 3\% | Dec. 2-3, 2009 | 48\% | 50\% | 2\% |
| Oct. 27-30, 2010 | 46\% | 51\% | 4\% | Nov. 13-15, 2009 | 55\% | 42\% | 3\% |
| Oct. 5-7, 2010 | 45\% | 52\% | 3\% | Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2009 | 54\% | 45\% | 1\% |
| Sept. 21-23, 2010 | 42\% | 54\% | 4\% | Oct. 16-18, 2009 | 55\% | 43\% | 2\% |
| Sept. 1-2, 2010 | 50\% | 49\% | 1\% | Sept. 11-13, 2009 | 58\% | 40\% | 2\% |
| Aug. 6-10, 2010 | 47\% | 51\% | 2\% | Aug. 28-31, 2009 | 53\% | 45\% | 2\% |
| July 16-21, 2010 | 47\% | 50\% | 2\% | July 31-Aug. 3, 2009 | 56\% | 40\% | 4\% |
| June 16, 2010 | 50\% | 48\% | 2\% | June 26-28, 2009 | 61\% | 37\% | 3\% |
| May 21-23, 2010 | 51\% | 46\% | 3\% | May 14-17, 2009 | 62\% | 35\% | 3\% |
| Apr. 9-11, 2010 | 51\% | 47\% | 2\% | Apr. 23-26, 2009 | 63\% | 33\% | 5\% |
| March 25-28, 2010 | 51\% | 48\% | 1\% | Apr. 3-5, 2009 | 66\% | 30\% | 3\% |
| March 19-21, 2010 | 46\% | 51\% | 3\% | March 12-15, 2009 | 64\% | 34\% | 2\% |
| Feb. 12-15, 2010 | 49\% | 50\% | 1\% | Feb. 18-19, 2009 | 67\% | 29\% | 4\% |
| Jan. 22-24, 2010 | 49\% | 50\% | * | Feb. 7-8, 2009 | 76\% | 23\% | 1\% |
| Jan. 8-10, 2010 | 51\% | 48\% | 1\% |  |  |  |  |

2. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling: (RANDOM ORDER)

## Terrorism

December 17-21, 2015
Nov. 27 - Dec. 1, 2015
May 29-31, 2015*
ISIS, the Islamic militant group that controls some areas of Iraq and Syria
December 17-21, 2015 33\%
Nov. 27 - Dec. 1, 2015
August 13-16, 2015
May 29-31, 2015
Feb. 12-15, 2015
Sept. 25-28, 2014
Sept. 5-7, 2014

64\%
3\%
33\%
64\%
4\%
33\%
62\%
5\%
32\%
40\%
63\%
5\%
$45 \% \quad 49 \% \quad 6 \%$
57\%
4\%

37\%
59\%
4\%
Approve Disapprove No opinion

| $38 \%$ | $60 \%$ | $1 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $38 \%$ | $60 \%$ | $2 \%$ |
| $45 \%$ | $51 \%$ | $4 \%$ |

*Asked of half sample

29a. How satisfied are you with the way things are going for the U.S. in the war on terrorism -- very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, not too satisfied, or not at all satisfied? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 512 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION A. SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

Dec. 17-21 2015*

| Very satisfied | $3 \%$ | $10 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| somewhat satisfied | $22 \%$ | $37 \%$ |
| Not too satisfied | $33 \%$ | $24 \%$ |
| Not at all satisfied | $41 \%$ | $28 \%$ |
| No opinion | $*$ | $*$ |

Aug. 29-31
$\underline{2008}$
$\underline{2015^{*}} \quad \underline{2008}$

|  | June 4-5 | Nov. 2-4 | Aug. 6-8 | Oct. 20-22 | Aug. 30-Sep. 2 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\underline{2008}$ | $\underline{2007}$ | $\underline{2007}$ | $\underline{2006}$ | $\underline{2006}$ |
| Very satisfied | 10\% | 7\% | 8\% | 9\% | 9\% |
| Somewhat satisfied | 33\% | 37\% | 31\% | 31\% | 38\% |
| Not too satisfied | 24\% | 28\% | 28\% | 20\% | 24\% |
| Not at all satisfied | 33\% | 28\% | 33\% | 40\% | 29\% |
| No opinion | * | * | * | * | * |

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| Very <br> satisfied | Somewhat <br> satisfied | Not too <br> satisfied | Not at all <br> satisfied | No <br> opinion |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 13 | 38 | 20 | 29 | $*$ |
| 10 | 42 | 23 | 24 | 1 |
| 19 | 45 | 21 | 14 | 1 |
| 16 | 37 | 21 | 26 | $*$ |
| 16 | 43 | 22 | 18 | 1 |
| 14 | 42 | 24 | 19 | 1 |
| 15 | 40 | 21 | 23 | 1 |
| 14 | 52 | 21 | 12 | 1 |
| 18 | 45 | 21 | 15 | 1 |
| 14 | 61 | 18 | 6 | 1 |

2005 Aug 28-30*
2005 Jun 16-19
2005 Feb 4-6
2004 Oct 9-10*
2004 Sep 3-5*
2004 Aug 9-11*
2004 Jul 19-21*
2003 Sep 8-10
2003 Jan 31-Feb 2*
2002 Sep 2-4

* Asked of a half sample.

29b. Who do you think is currently winning the war on terrorism -- the U.S. and its allies, neither side, or the terrorists? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 506 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION B. SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Dec. 17-21 } \\ \underline{2015^{*}} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { May } 2 \\ 2011 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Dec. 6-9 } \\ \underline{2007} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Sep. 7-9 } \\ \underline{2007} \end{gathered}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| U.S. and its allies | 18\% | 44\% | 32\% | 31\% |  |
| Neither side | 40\% | 45\% | 46\% | 49\% |  |
| The terrorists | 40\% | 9\% | 21\% | 19\% |  |
| No opinion | 2\% | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% |  |
|  | Jan 19-21 | Oct. 27-29 | Aug. 18-20 | Aug. 2-3 | Jun. 8-11 |
|  | $\underline{2007}$ | $\underline{2006}$ | $\underline{2006}$ | $\underline{2006}$ | $\underline{2006}$ |
| U.S. and its allies | 28\% | 34\% | 36\% | 31\% | 29\% |
| Neither side | 54\% | 43\% | 41\% | 45\% | 47\% |
| The terrorists | 17\% | 20\% | 22\% | 21\% | 19\% |
| No opinion | 1\% | 4\% | 1\% | 3\% | 5\% |

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| U.S. and | Neither | The | No |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| its allies | $\underline{\text { side }}$ | $\underline{\text { terrorists }}$ | $\underline{\text { opinion }}$ |


| 2006 Jan 20-22 | 41 | 42 | 14 | 3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2005 Aug 28-30* | 34 | 42 | 23 | 1 |
| 2005 Jul 7-10 | 34 | 44 | 21 | 1 |
| 2005 Jun 24-26 | 36 | 41 | 20 | 3 |
| 2005 Jan 7-9 | 37 | 42 | 20 | 1 |
| 2004 Oct 9-10 * | 38 | 41 | 19 | 2 |
| 2004 Jul 19-21* | 40 | 41 | 16 | 3 |
| 2004 Jan 12-15* | 51 | 35 | 14 | * |
| 2003 Oct 10-12 | 42 | 42 | 13 | 3 |
| 2003 Jul 18-20 | 48 | 34 | 15 | 3 |
| 2003 May 19-21 | 54 | 32 | 11 | 3 |
| 2003 Apr 22-23 | 65 | 28 | 5 | 2 |
| 2003 Mar 3-5 * | 37 | 43 | 17 | 3 |
| 2003 Jan 31-Feb 2* | 35 | 44 | 16 | 5 |
| 2002 Dec 5-8 * | 33 | 46 | 19 | 2 |
| 2002 Oct 14-17* | 32 | 44 | 21 | 3 |
| 2002 Aug 5-8 * | 37 | 46 | 14 | 3 |
| 2002 Jul 5-8 | 39 | 43 | 16 | 2 |
| 2002 Jun 21-23 | 33 | 49 | 14 | 4 |
| 2002 May 28-29 | 41 | 35 | 15 | 9 |
| 2002 Apr 22-24 | 47 | 39 | 10 | 4 |
| 2002 Mar 22-24 | 51 | 35 | 12 | 2 |
| 2002 Mar 4-7 | 53 | 34 | 10 | 3 |
| 2002 Jan 7-9 * | 66 | 25 | 7 | 2 |
| 2001 Dec 6-9 | 64 | 28 | 5 | 3 |
| 2001 Nov 8-11* | 53 | 33 | 11 | 3 |
| 2001 Oct 11-14 | 42 | 44 | 11 | 3 |

* Asked of a half sample.

30. How worried are you that you or someone in your family will become a victim of terrorism -- very worried, somewhat worried, not too worried, or not worried at all?

|  | Very worried | Somewhat worried | Not to worried | Not worried at all | No opinion |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dec. 17-21, 2015 | 15\% | 30\% | 27\% | 28\% | * |
| Sept. 5-7, 2014 | 13\% | 28\% | 32\% | 27\% | * |
| Apr. 30, 2013 | 13\% | 27\% | 34\% | 26\% | * |
| Sept. 9-11, 2011 | 8\% | 26\% | 35\% | 32\% | * |
| Sept. 1-2, 2010 | 7\% | 30\% | 35\% | 28\% | * |
| Jan. 8-10, 2010 | 9\% | 25\% | 35\% | 30\% | * |
| Oct. 16-18, 2009 | 10\% | 26\% | 36\% | 28\% | * |
| June 4-5, 2008 | 9\% | 29\% | 32\% | 31\% | * |
| Dec. 6-9, 2007 | 11\% | 28\% | 33\% | 28\% | 1\% |
| Aug. 6-8, 2007 | 12\% | 30\% | 33\% | 24\% | 1\% |
| Mar. 9-11, 2007 | 13\% | 31\% | 31\% | 23\% | 2\% |
| Nov. 3-5, 2006 | 9\% | 31\% | 33\% | 27\% | * |
| Aug. 18-20, 2006 | 8\% | 28\% | 36\% | 29\% | * |

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|  | Very | Somewhat | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Not } \\ & \text { too } \end{aligned}$ | Not at all | $\begin{gathered} \text { No } \\ \text { opin } \end{gathered}$ |  | Very | Somewhat | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Not } \\ & \text { too } \end{aligned}$ | Not at all | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No } \\ & \text { opin } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2006 Jan 20-22* | 14 | 29 | 34 | 23 | 1 | 2002 Sep 2-4 | 8 | 30 | 37 | 25 | * |
| 2005 Dec 16-18 | 11 | 30 | 37 | 22 | * | 2002 May 28-29 | 9 | 31 | 37 | 22 | * |
| 2005 Jul 22-24 | 14 | 33 | 30 | 23 | * | 2002 Apr 22-24 | 8 | 27 | 39 | 25 | * |
| 2005 Jun 16-19 | 8 | 30 | 36 | 26 | * | 2002 Mar 4-7 | 12 | 33 | 32 | 23 | * |
| 2005 Jan 7-9 | 10 | 28 | 37 | 24 | 1 | 2002 Feb 4-6* | 8 | 27 | 39 | 25 | 1 |
| 2004 Dec 17-19 | 13 | 28 | 34 | 25 | * | 2001 Nov 26-27 | 8 | 27 | 34 | 30 | * |
| 2004 Oct 14-16 | 13 | 34 | 33 | 20 | * | 2001 Nov 2-4 | 11 | 28 | 34 | 26 | 1 |
| 2004 Sep 3-5* | 11 | 32 | 36 | 21 | * | 2001 Oct 19-21 ** | 13 | 30 | 33 | 23 | 1 |
| 2004 Aug 9-11* | 8 | 26 | 36 | 30 | * | 2001 Oct 11-14** | 18 | 33 | 35 | 14 | * |
| 2004 Feb 9-12 | 10 | 30 | 36 | 24 | * | 2001 Oct 5-6 ** | 24 | 35 | 27 | 14 | * |
| 2004 Jan 2-5 | 5 | 23 | 42 | 30 | * | 2001 Sep 21-22 ** | 14 | 35 | 32 | 18 | 1 |
| 2003 Dec 5-7 | 9 | 28 | 38 | 25 | * | 2001 Sep 14-15** | 18 | 33 | 35 | 13 | 1 |
| 2003 Aug 25-26 | 11 | 30 | 33 | 26 | -- | 2001 Sep 11 ** | 23 | 35 | 24 | 16 | 1 |
| 2003 Jul 18-20* | 6 | 24 | 38 | 32 | * | 2000 Apr 7-9* | 4 | 20 | 41 | 34 | 1 |
| 2003 Apr 22-23* | 8 | 26 | 39 | 26 | 1 | 1998 Aug 20 | 10 | 22 | 38 | 29 | 1 |
| 2003 Mar 22-23 | 8 | 30 | 38 | 24 | * | 1996 Jul 20-21 *** | 13 | 26 | 34 | 27 | * |
| 2003 Feb 17-19 | 8 | 28 | 33 | 31 | -- | 1996 Apr 9-10 *** | 13 | 22 | 33 | 32 | * |
| 2003 Feb 7-9* | 13 | 35 | 34 | 18 | * | 1995 Apr 21-23 *** | 14 | 28 | 33 | 24 | 1 |
| 2003 Jan 23-25 | 8 | 31 | 36 | 25 | * |  |  |  |  |  |  |

*Asked of a half sample
** WORDING IN SEPT-OCT, 2001: How worried are you that you or someone in your family will become a victim of a terrorist attack -- very worried, somewhat worried, not too worried, or not worried at all?
*** WORDING IN 1996 AND 1998: How worried are you that someone in your family will become a victim of a terrorist attack similar to the bombing in Oklahoma City? WORDING IN 1995: How worried are you that you or someone in your family will become a victim of a terrorist attack similar to the bombing in Oklahoma City?

31a. How much confidence do you have in the Obama administration to protect U.S. citizens from future acts of terrorism -- a great deal, a moderate amount, not much or none at all? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 512 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION A -- SAMPLING ERROR: +/4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

|  | Dec. 17-21 <br> $\underline{2015 *}$ | Jan. 8-10 <br>  | $\underline{2010}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |

## FOR COMPARISON: <br> CNN/OPINION RESEARCH CORPORATION AND CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRENDS ON BUSH ADMINISTRATION

How much confidence do you have in the Bush administration to protect U.S. citizens from future acts of terrorism -- a great deal, a moderate amount, not much, or none at all?

|  | Great deal | Moderate amount | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Not } \\ \text { much } \end{array}$ | $\underline{\text { None at all }}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { No } \\ \text { opinion } \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CNN/OPINION RESEARCH |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2006 Aug. 18-20* | 22 | 37 | 23 | 18 | * |
| CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2006 Jan 20-22 | 30 | 34 | 22 | 13 | 1 |
| 2005 Jul 7-10 | 23 | 38 | 24 | 14 | 1 |
| 2005 Jun 16-19 | 23 | 38 | 21 | 17 | 1 |
| 2005 Feb 4-6 | 38 | 35 | 16 | 10 | 1 |
| 2004 Jul 30-Aug 1** | 31 | 33 | 21 | 15 | * |
| 2004 Jul 19-21** | 27 | 40 | 18 | 15 | * |
| 2003 May 19-21** | 35 | 44 | 15 | 5 | 1 |

31b. Which comes closer to your view -- the terrorists will always find a way to launch major attacks no matter what the U.S. government does, or the U.S. government can eventually prevent all major attacks if it works hard enough at it? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 506 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION B -- SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

|  | Dec. 17-21 | Apr. 30 | Sept. 9-11 | Jan. 8-10 | Sep. 7-9 | Aug. 30-Sep. 2 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\underline{2015}$ | 2013 | 2011 | 2010* | $\underline{2007}$ | $\underline{2006}$ |
| Terrorists will always find a way | 45\% | 63\% | 58\% | 60\% | 57\% | 57\% |
| Government can prevent attacks | 53\% | 32\% | 40\% | 39\% | 40\% | 41\% |
| No opinion | 1\% | 5\% | 2\% | 1\% | 3\% | 2\% |

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| Terrorists <br> will always <br> find a way | Government can <br> prevent attacks | No <br> opinion |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $60 \%$ | $37 \%$ | $3 \%$ |

Now here are a few questions about the Islamic militant group often referred to as ISIS (PRONO: EYE-siss) that controls some areas of Iraq and Syria. The group is also sometimes referred to as ISIL (PRONO: EYEsill) or as the Islamic State. As you may know, the U.S. has conducted air strikes against ISIS forces in Iraq and in Syria and has special forces troops on the ground in both countries to advise and assist in fighting ISIS, but there are no U.S. combat troops fighting ISIS forces in either country.
32. Do you favor or oppose the United States sending ground troops into combat operations against ISIS forces in Iraq or Syria?

| Favor |  | Oppose |  | No <br> opinion |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| $49 \%$ |  | $49 \%$ |  | $2 \%$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| $53 \%$ |  | $45 \%$ |  | $2 \%$ |
| $46 \%$ |  | $51 \%$ |  | $4 \%$ |
| $47 \%$ |  | $51 \%$ |  | $2 \%$ |
| $43 \%$ |  | $55 \%$ |  | $2 \%$ |
| $47 \%$ |  | $50 \%$ |  | $3 \%$ |
| $43 \%$ |  | $55 \%$ |  | $2 \%$ |
| $45 \%$ |  | $53 \%$ |  | $2 \%$ |
| $38 \%$ |  | $60 \%$ |  | $2 \%$ |

33. Which of the following statements better describes your opinion of the current U.S. military action against ISIS forces in Iraq and Syria: (RANDOM ORDER)

Dec. 17-21
2015
Sept. 25-28 2014

The U.S. is at war with ISIS
The U.S. is involved in a military conflict with ISIS, but it is not at war

57\%
59\%
No opinion $3 \%$

FOR COMPARISON:

| CNN/ORC TRENDS |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | At war | Not at war | No opinion |
| Libya |  |  |  |
| 2011 Apr 9-10 | 20\% | 78\% | 1\% |
| QUESTION WORDING: Which of the following statements better describes your opinion of the current |  |  |  |
| U.S. military action in Libya: The U.S. is at war in Libya, or the U.S. is involved in a military conflict in Libya but is not at war? |  |  |  |
| CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRENDS |  |  |  |
|  | At war | Not at war | No opinion |
| Kosovo |  |  |  |
| 1999 Apr 30-May 2 | 36\% | 61\% | 3\% |
| QUESTION WORDI U.S. military action military conflict with | ich of the ugoslav via but | nts better de ar with Yug | pinion of the U.S. is invo |

## METHODOLOGY

A total of 1,018 adults were interviewed by telephone nationwide by live interviewers calling both landline and cell phones. Among the entire sample, 29\% described themselves as Democrats, $24 \%$ described themselves as Republicans, and 47\% described themselves as independents or members of another party.

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.

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 17 to 21, 2015
Question 1
Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president?
Base $=$ Total Sample


CNN/ORC International Poll -- December 17 to 21, 2015
Question 2B
Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling:
B. Terrorism

Base $=$ Total Sample


* percentage less than $1 \%$

CNN/ORC International Poll -- December 17 to 21, 2015
Question 2D
Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling:
D. ISIS, the Islamic militant group that controls some areas of Iraq and Syria

Base $=$ Total Sample


* percentage less than $1 \%$

How satisfied are you with the way things are going for the U.S. in the war on terrorism -- very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, not too satisfied, or not at all satisfied?

Base $=$ Half Sample
Very satisfied
Somewhat satisfied
Not too satisfied
Not at all satisfied
No opinion
Sampling Error

Very satisfied
Somewhat satisfied
Not too satisfied
Not at all satisfied
No opinion
Sampling Error


* percentage less than $1 \%$

CNN/ORC International Poll -- December 17 to 21,2015
Question 29B
Who do you think is currently winning the war on terrorism -- the U.S. and its allies, neither side or the terrorists?

Base = Half Sample

|  | Total | Men | Women | White No | -White |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| U.S. and its allies | 18\% | 18\% | 18\% | 17\% | N/A |  |  |  |
| Neither side | 40\% | 42\% | 39\% | 40\% | N/A |  |  |  |
| The terrorists | 40\% | 39\% | 40\% | 42\% | N/A |  |  |  |
| No opinion | 2\% | 1\% | 3\% | 2\% | N/A |  |  |  |
| Sampling Error | +/-4.5 | +/-6.0 | +/-6.5 +/ | -5.0 |  |  |  |  |
|  | Total | $18-$ | $\begin{aligned} & 35- \\ & 49 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 50- \\ & 64 \end{aligned}$ | $65+$ | Under 55 | 55 and Older |  |
| U.S. and its allies | 18\% | N/A | N/A | 15\% | 20\% | 18\% | 18\% |  |
| Neither side | 40\% | N/A | N/A | 41\% | 37\% | 42\% | 37\% |  |
| The terrorists | 40\% | N/A | N/A | 42\% | 38\% | 38\% | 41\% |  |
| No opinion | 2\% | N/A | N/A | 2\% | 4\% | 1\% | 4\% |  |
| Sampling Error | +/-4.5 |  |  | +/-8.0 | +/-7.5 | +/-6.5 | +/-6.0 |  |
|  | Total | Under \$50K | \$50K or more | College Grad | Non College Grad | $\text { e } \begin{aligned} & \text { Lean } \\ & \text { Demo- } \\ & \text { crat } \end{aligned}$ | Lean <br> Repub- <br> lican |  |
| U.S. and its allies | 18\% | 19\% | 15\% | 14\% | 20\% | 25\% | 13\% |  |
| Neither side | 40\% | 37\% | 44\% | 52\% | 36\% | 52\% | 32\% |  |
| The terrorists | 40\% | 41\% | 40\% | 34\% | 42\% | \% 22\% | 54\% |  |
| No opinion | 2\% | 3\% | 1\% | 1\% | 2\% | \% 1\% | 1\% |  |
| Sampling Error | +/-4.5 | +/-7.5 | +/-6.0 | +/-6.5 | +/-6.0 | 0 +/-6.5 | +/-6.5 |  |
|  | Total | Democrat | Independent | Republican | Lib- <br> eral | Moderate | Conser vative |  |
| U.S. and its allies | 18\% | 23\% | 17\% | 16\% | N/A | 17\% | 19\% |  |
| Neither side | 40\% | 52\% | 41\% | 28\% | N/A | 44\% | 28\% |  |
| The terrorists | 40\% | 24\% | 40\% | 55\% | N/A | 39\% | 49\% |  |
| No opinion | 2\% | * | 3\% | 1\% | N/A | 1\% | 4\% |  |
| Sampling Error | +/-4.5 | +/-8.0 | +/-7.0 | +/-8.0 |  | +/-7.5 | +/-7.0 |  |
|  | Total | North east | Midwest | South | West | Urban | Suburban | Rural |
| U.S. and its allies | 18\% | N/A | 18\% | 21\% | N/A | 17\% | 21\% | N/A |
| Neither side | 40\% | N/A | 42\% | 33\% | N/A | 46\% | 40\% | N/A |
| The terrorists | 40\% | N/A | 38\% | 44\% | N/A | 36\% | 38\% | N/A |
| No opinion | 2\% | N/A | 1\% | 2\% | N/A | 2\% | 1\% | N/A |
| Sampling Error | +/-4.5 |  | +/-8.5 | +/-7.5 |  | +/-8.5 | +/-6.0 |  |
|  | Total | Tea Pty Support | Tea Pty <br> Neutral | Tea Pty Oppose | White A <br> Evang. Ot | All Gun <br> thers Yes | Owner <br> No |  |
| U.S. and its allies | 18\% | N/A | 18\% | 23\% | N/A | 19\% 17\% | 18\% |  |
| Neither side | 40\% | N/A | 41\% | 50\% | N/A | 43\% 38\% | \% 43\% |  |
| The terrorists | 40\% | N/A | 40\% | 27\% | N/A | 36\% 45\% | 36\% |  |
| No opinion | 2\% | N/A | 1\% | 1\% | N/A | 1\% 1\% | - 3\% |  |
| Sampling Error | +/-4.5 |  | +/-6.5 | +/-7.5 |  | /-5.0+/-6.5 | +/-6.5 |  |

* percentage less than $1 \%$

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Question 30

How worried are you that you or someone in your family will become a victim of terrorism -- very worried, somewhat worried, not too worried, or not worried at all?

Base $=$ Total Sample


[^0]CNN/ORC International Poll -- December 17 to 21, 2015
Question 31A
How much confidence do you have in the Obama administration to protect U.S. citizens from future acts of terrorism -- a great deal, a moderate amount, not much or none at all?

Base $=$ Half Sample

A great deal
A moderate amount
Not much
None at all
No opinion
Sampling Error
A great deal
A moderate amount
Not much
None at all
No opinion
Sampling Error

Sampling Error


* percentage less than $1 \%$

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Question 31B
Which comes closer to your view -- the terrorists will always find a way to launch major attacks no matter what the U.S. government does, or the U.S. government can eventually prevent all major attacks if it works hard enough?

Base $=$ Half Sample

|  | Total | Men | Women W | White No | on-White |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Terrorists will always attack | 45\% | 43\% | 48\% | 44\% | N/A |  |  |  |
| Can prevent if works hard | 53\% | 55\% | 51\% | 54\% | N/A |  |  |  |
| No opinion | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% | N/A |  |  |  |
| Sampling Error | +/-4.5 | $+/-6.0$ | +/-6.5 +/- | -5.0 |  |  |  |  |
|  | Total | $\begin{aligned} & 18- \\ & 34 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 35- \\ & 49 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 50- \\ & 64 \end{aligned}$ | 65+ | Under 55 | 55 and Older |  |
| Terrorists will always attack | 45\% | N/A | N/A | 52\% | 42\% | 44\% | 46\% |  |
| Can prevent if works hard | 53\% | N/A | N/A | 47\% | 56\% | 54\% | 52\% |  |
| No opinion | 1\% | N/A | N/A | * | 3\% | 1\% | 2\% |  |
| Sampling Error | +/-4.5 |  |  | +/-8.0 | +/-7.5 | +/-6.5 | +/-6.0 |  |
|  | Total | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Under } \\ \$ 50 \mathrm{~K} \end{array}$ | \$50K or more | College Grad | Non College Grad | $\begin{array}{ll} \text { Lean } \\ \text { e } & \begin{array}{l} \text { Demo- } \\ \text { crat } \end{array} \end{array}$ | Lean <br> Repub- <br> lican |  |
| Terrorists will always attack | 45\% | 43\% | 49\% | 46\% | 45\% | \% 48\% | 40\% |  |
| Can prevent if works hard | 53\% | 55\% | 50\% | 53\% | 54\% | \% 50\% | 60\% |  |
| No opinion | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% | 2\% | \% 2\% | * |  |
| Sampling Error | +/-4.5 | +/-7.5 | +/-6.0 | +/-6.5 | +/-6.0 | 0 +/-6.5 | +/-6.5 |  |
|  | Total | Democrat | Independent | Republican | Liberal | Moderate | Conservative |  |
| Terrorists will always attack | 45\% | 51\% | 44\% | 42\% | N/A | 47\% | 50\% |  |
| Can prevent if works hard | 53\% | 46\% | 55\% | 58\% | N/A | 51\% | 50\% |  |
| No opinion | 1\% | 3\% | 1\% | * | N/A | 2\% | * |  |
| Sampling Error | +/-4.5 | +/-8.0 | +/-7.0 | +/-8.0 |  | +/-7.5 | +/-7.0 |  |
|  | Total | North east | Midwest | South | West | Urban | Suburban | Rural |
| Terrorists will always attack | 45\% | N/A | 48\% | 43\% | N/A | 47\% | 42\% | N/A |
| Can prevent if works hard | 53\% | N/A | 51\% | 55\% | N/A | 51\% | 57\% | N/A |
| No opinion | 1\% | N/A | 1\% | 2\% | N/A | 2\% | 1\% | N/A |
| Sampling Error | +/-4.5 |  | +/-8.5 | +/-7.5 |  | +/-8.5 + | +/-6.0 |  |
|  | Total | Tea Pty <br> Support | Tea Pty <br> Neutral | Tea Pty Oppose | White A <br> Evang. Ot | All Gun <br> thers Yes | Owner No |  |
| Terrorists will always attack | 45\% | N/A | 38\% | 55\% | N/A | 47\% 44\% | \% 44\% |  |
| Can prevent if works hard | 53\% | N/A | 61\% | 42\% | N/A | 51\% 56\% | \% 54\% |  |
| No opinion | 1\% | N/A | 1\% | 3\% | N/A | 2\% | 2\% |  |
| Sampling Error | +/-4.5 |  | +/-6.5 | +/-7.5 |  | /-5.0+/-6.5 | 5+/-6.5 |  |

[^1]CNN/ORC International Poll -- December 17 to 21, 2015
Question 32
Do you favor or oppose the United States sending ground troops into combat operations against ISIS forces in Iraq or Syria?

Base $=$ Total Sample

|  | Total | Men | Women | White No | on-White |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Favor | 49\% | 50\% | 47\% | 51\% | 44\% |  |  |  |
| Oppose | 49\% | 48\% | 50\% | 47\% | 55\% |  |  |  |
| No opinion | 2\% | 2\% | 2\% | 3\% | 1\% |  |  |  |
| Sampling Error | +/-3.0 | +/-4.5 | +/-4.5 +/ | -3.5 +/ | /-6.5 |  |  |  |
|  | Total | $\begin{aligned} & 18- \\ & 34 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 35- \\ & 49 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 50- \\ & 64 \end{aligned}$ | 65+ | Under $55$ | 55 and Older |  |
| Favor | 49\% | 51\% | 53\% | 45\% | 45\% | 51\% | 44\% |  |
| Oppose | 49\% | 49\% | 45\% | 53\% | 50\% | 48\% | 52\% |  |
| No opinion | 2\% | * | 1\% | 3\% | 5\% | 1\% | 4\% |  |
| Sampling Error | +/-3.0 | +/-8.0 | +/-7.0 | +/-5.5 | +/-5.0 | +/-4.5 | +/-4.0 |  |
|  | Total | Under \$50K | \$50K <br> or more | College Grad | Non College Grad | $\text { e } \begin{aligned} & \text { Lean } \\ & \text { Demo- } \\ & \text { crat } \end{aligned}$ | Lean Repub lican |  |
| Favor | 49\% | 48\% | 50\% | 47\% | 49\% | \% 34\% | 65\% |  |
| Oppose | 49\% | 51\% | 48\% | 50\% | 49\% | \% 64\% | 32 \% |  |
| No opinion | 2\% | 2\% | 2\% | 3\% | 2\% | \% 1\% | 2\% |  |
| Sampling Error | +/-3.0 | $+/-5.0$ | +/-4.5 | +/-4.5 | +/-4.0 | 0 +/-4.5 | +/-4.5 |  |
|  | Total | Democrat | Indep endent | Repub lican | Lib- <br> eral | Moderate | Cons vat |  |
| Favor | 49\% | 39\% | 44\% | 70\% | 32\% | 47\% | 62 |  |
| Oppose | 49\% | 60\% | 54\% | 27\% | 66\% | 51\% | 35 |  |
| No opinion | 2\% | 1\% | 2\% | 3\% | 2\% | 1\% |  |  |
| Sampling Error | +/-3.0 | +/-5.5 | +/-5.0 | +/-5.5 | +/-6.5 | +/-5.0 | +/-5. |  |
|  | Total | North east | Midwest | South | West | Urban | Suburban | Rural |
| Favor | 49\% | 41\% | 49\% | 53\% | 49\% | 49\% | 49\% | 47\% |
| Oppose | 49\% | 58\% | 47\% | 47\% | 47\% | 49\% | 49\% | 50\% |
| No opinion | 2\% | 1\% | 3\% | * | 4\% | 2\% | 2\% | 2\% |
| Sampling Error | +/-3.0 | +/-6.5 | +/-6.5 | +/-5.5 | +/-6.5 | +/-6.0 | +/-4.5 | +/-6.5 |
|  | Total | Tea Pty <br> Support | Tea Pty <br> Neutral | Tea Pty Oppose | White A <br> Evang. Ot | $\begin{array}{ll}\text { All Gun } \\ \text { thers } & \text { Yes }\end{array}$ | Owner <br> No |  |
| Favor | 49\% | 78\% | 50\% | 30\% | 67\% | 44\% 54 | \% 43\% |  |
| Oppose | 49\% | 19\% | 47\% | 68\% | 31\% | 54\% 44 | \% 55\% |  |
| No opinion | 2\% | 2\% | 2\% | 2\% | 2\% | 2\% 2 | \% 2\% |  |
| Sampling Error | +/-3.0 | +/-7.5 | +/-4.5 | +/-5.0 + | +/-6.5 +/ | /-3.5+/-4.5 | $5+/-4.5$ |  |

* percentage less than $1 \%$

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Question 33
Which of the following statements better describes your opinion of the current U.S. military action against ISIS forces in Iraq and Syria:
The U.S. is at war with ISIS:
The U.S. is involved in a military conflict with ISIS, but it is not at war:
Base = Total Sample
The U.S. is at war with ISIS
Involved in conflict, no war
No opinion
Sampling Error

| Total | Men | Women | White | Non-White |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | -------- |
| $40 \%$ | $40 \%$ | $40 \%$ | $40 \%$ | $39 \%$ |
| $57 \%$ | $58 \%$ | $56 \%$ | $57 \%$ | $58 \%$ |
| $3 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $3 \%$ |
| $+/-3.0$ | +-4.5 | $+/-4.5$ | $+/-3.5$ | $+/-6.5$ |

The U.S. is at war with ISIS Involved in conflict, no war No opinion
Sampling Error

|  | $18-$ | $35-$ | $50-$ |  | Under | 55 and |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 34 | 49 | 64 | $65+$ | 55 | Older |
| ----- | ----- | ---- | ----- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| $40 \%$ | $37 \%$ | $45 \%$ | $38 \%$ | $40 \%$ | $40 \%$ | $41 \%$ |
| $57 \%$ | $58 \%$ | $54 \%$ | $59 \%$ | $57 \%$ | $57 \%$ | $58 \%$ |
| $3 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $2 \%$ |
| $+/-3.0$ | $+/-8.0$ | $+/-7.0$ | $+/-5.5$ | $+/-5.0$ | $+/-4.5$ | $+/-4.0$ |

The U.S. is at war with ISIS Involved in conflict, no war No opinion
Sampling Error
The U.S. is at war with ISIS
Involved in conflict, no war
No opinion
Sampling Error



| Total | Tea Pty Support | Tea Pty <br> Neutral | Tea Pty Oppose | White Evang. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { All } \\ & \text { Others } \end{aligned}$ | Gun Yes | Owner No |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 40\% | 48\% | 40\% | 35\% | 45\% | 39\% | 41\% | 39\% |
| 57\% | 52\% | 55\% | 65\% | 54\% | 58\% | 58\% | 56\% |
| 3\% | * | 5\% | 1\% | 1\% | 3\% | 1\% | 5\% |

ne U.S. is at war with ISIS Involved in conflict, no war No opinion Sampling Error

* percentage less than $1 \%$


[^0]:    * percentage less than 1\%

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

