



Interviews with 1,002 adult Americans conducted by telephone by ORC International on January 31 – February 2, 2017. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 3 percentage points.

This sample includes 502 interviews among landline respondents and 500 interviews among cell phone respondents.

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Sunday, February 5 at 9:00 a.m.**

(QUESTIONS 4 AND 5 ROTATED)

4. Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Republican leaders in Congress are handling their jobs?

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
Jan. 31 - Feb. 2, 2017	39%	59%	3%
March 13-15, 2015	23%	74%	3%
April 5-7, 2013	25%	73%	2%
November 2-4, 2012*	28%	66%	5%
February 10-13, 2012	22%	77%	1%
November 18-20, 2011	21%	77%	2%
March 18-20, 2011	34%	64%	3%
October 5-7, 2010	31%	66%	3%
March 25-28, 2010	36%	63%	1%
March 19-21, 2010	32%	66%	2%
October 16-18, 2009*	33%	66%	1%
April 23-26, 2009	31%	65%	4%
February 7-8, 2009*	44%	55%	1%
November 6-9, 2008	24%	73%	3%
October 3-5, 2008*	27%	71%	2%

*Asked of a half sample.

5. Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Democratic leaders in Congress are handling their jobs?

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
Jan. 31 - Feb. 2, 2017	33%	63%	4%
March 13-15, 2015	35%	63%	3%
April 5-7, 2013	35%	63%	2%
November 2-4, 2012*	37%	59%	5%
February 10-13, 2012	31%	67%	2%
November 18-20, 2011	29%	68%	3%
March 18-20, 2011	35%	62%	3%
October 5-7, 2010	34%	64%	2%
March 25-28, 2010	42%	57%	1%
March 19-21, 2010	33%	65%	2%
October 16-18, 2009*	38%	59%	2%
April 23-26, 2009	43%	53%	5%
February 7-8, 2009*	60%	39%	2%
November 6-9, 2008	47%	50%	3%
October 3-5, 2008*	34%	64%	1%
September 19-21, 2008	44%	54%	2%
July 27-29, 2008	36%	63%	1%

*Asked of a half sample.

Q13. As you may know, Neil Gorsuch is the federal judge nominated to serve on the Supreme Court. Would you like to see the Senate vote in favor of Gorsuch serving on the Supreme Court, or not?

Jan. 31-Feb. 2
2017

Vote in favor	49%
Not vote in favor	36%
No opinion	15%

FOR COMPARISON:

CNN/OPINION RESEARCH CORPORATION AND CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRENDS

	<u>Yes, vote in favor</u>	<u>No, not</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
MERRICK GARLAND*			
2016 Apr. 28-May 1	52	33	15
2016 Mar. 17-20	52	33	15
ELANA KAGAN**			
2010 Jul 16-21	54	34	12
2010 Jun 16	44	39	17
2010 May 21-23	54	36	11
SONIA SOTOMAYOR*			
2009 July 31-Aug 3	51	36	14
2009 June 26-28	47	40	13
SAMUEL ALITO*			
2006 Jan 20-22	54	30	16
2006 Jan 6-8	49	30	21
2005 Dec 9-11	49	29	22
2005 Nov 7-10	50	25	25
HARRIET MIERS**			
2005 Oct 21-23	42	43	15
2005 Oct 13-16	44	36	20
JOHN ROBERTS***			
2005 Sep 16-18	60	26	14
2005 Sep 8-11	58	27	15
2005 Aug 28-30	52	26	22
2005 Aug 5-7	51	28	21
2005 Jul 22-24	59	22	19
RUTH BADER GINSBURG*			
1993 Jun 18-21	53	14	33
CLARENCE THOMAS*			
1991 Jul 11-14	52	17	31
ROBERT BORK*			
1987 Sep 1-13	38	35	26
1987 Aug 24-Sep 2	31	25	44

TRENDS SINCE 2009 FROM CNN/OPINION RESEARCH CORPORATION POLL. ALL OTHERS FROM CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP POLLS.

***QUESTION WORDING FOR GARLAND, SOTOMAYOR, ALITO, GINSBURG, THOMAS AND BORK:** As you may know, NAME is the federal judge nominated to serve on the Supreme Court. Would you like to see the Senate vote in favor of NAME serving on the Supreme Court, or not?

****QUESTION WORDING FOR ELENA KAGAN, HARIET MIERS:** As you may know, [NAME] is the person nominated to serve on the Supreme Court. Would you like to see the Senate vote in favor of [NAME] serving on the Supreme Court, or not?

*****QUESTION WORDING FOR ROBERTS IN JULY AND AUGUST, 2005:** As you may know, John Roberts is a federal judge nominated to serve on the Supreme Court. Would you like to see the Senate vote in favor of Roberts serving on the Supreme Court, or not? **IN SEPTEMBER, 2005:** As you may know, John Roberts is a federal judge nominated to serve as chief justice on the Supreme Court. Would you like to see the Senate vote in favor of Roberts serving as chief justice on the Supreme Court, or not?

Next, thinking about Gorsuch himself...

Q14. How would you describe your first impressions of him? Would you say they are – (READ LIST – REVERSE ASKING ORDER BASED ON VERSION A OR B)

Jan. 31-Feb. 2
2017

Very positive	21%
Somewhat positive	18%
Neither positive or negative	31%
Somewhat negative	16%
Very negative	8%
No opinion	5%

FOR COMPARISON:
CNN/ORC AND CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRENDS

	<u>Very positive</u>	<u>Somewhat positive</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Somewhat negative</u>	<u>Very negative</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
MERRICK GARLAND 2016 Mar. 17-20	18	27	<u>34</u>	10	4	7
JUDGE JOHN ROBERTS 2005 Jul 20	26	28	21	8	7	10

Q15. From what you know about Neil Gorsuch, as a Supreme Court Justice, do you think he would be too liberal, too conservative, or just about right?

Jan. 31-Feb. 2
2017

Too liberal	7%
Too conservative	34%
About right	49%
No opinion	10%

FOR COMPARISON:

CNN/OPINION RESEARCH CORPORATION AND CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRENDS

MERRICK GARLAND	Too <u>liberal</u>	Too <u>conservative</u>	About <u>right</u>	No <u>opinion</u>
2016 Mar. 17-20	25	6	56	13
ELENA KAGAN	Too <u>liberal</u>	Too <u>conservative</u>	About <u>right</u>	No <u>opinion</u>
2010 May 21-23*	40	6	50	4
SAMUEL ALITO	Too <u>liberal</u>	Too <u>conservative</u>	About <u>right</u>	No <u>opinion</u>
2006 Jan 6-8*	6	29	49	15
JOHN ROBERTS	Too <u>liberal</u>	Too <u>conservative</u>	About <u>right</u>	No <u>opinion</u>
2005 Aug 28-30	8	24	48	20
RUTH BADER GINSBURG	Too <u>liberal</u>	Too <u>conservative</u>	About <u>right</u>	No <u>opinion</u>
1993 Jun 18-21	14	4	47	35
CLARENCE THOMAS	Too <u>liberal</u>	Too <u>conservative</u>	About <u>right</u>	No <u>opinion</u>
1991 Jul 11-14	7	20	46	27

* Asked of a half sample.

TRENDS FROM 2006 AND LATER FROM CNN/OPINION RESEARCH CORPORATION POLLS. ALL OTHERS FROM CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP POLLS.

Q16. Suppose all or most of the Democrats in the Senate oppose Gorsuch’s nomination. Do you think they would be justified - or not justified - in using Senate procedures, such as the filibuster, to prevent an up-or-down vote on the nominee?

Jan. 31-Feb. 2
2017

Justified	51%
Not justified	41%
No opinion	8%

FOR COMPARISON

<u>CNN/ORC TRENDS</u>			
	<u>Justified</u>	<u>Not justified</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2016 Feb 24-27	48	47	5
QUESTION WORDING: “Suppose all or most of the Republicans in the Senate oppose Obama’s nominee. Do you think they would be justified - or not justified - in using Senate procedures, such as the filibuster, to prevent an up-or-down vote on the nominee?”			

<u>CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRENDS</u>			
	<u>Justified</u>	<u>Not justified</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2006 Jan 20-22	38	48	15
QUESTION WORDING: “Suppose all or most of the Democrats in the Senate oppose Alito’s nomination. Do you think they would be justified – or not justified – in using Senate procedures, such as the filibuster, to prevent an up-or-down vote on his nomination?”			

Q18. From the news stories about Donald Trump that you have read or seen since he became president, do you think the news media have been too critical of Trump, not critical enough, or have they been fair in their treatment of Trump?

Jan. 31-Feb. 2
2017

Too critical	42%
Not critical enough	22%
Fair	36%
No opinion	1%

CNN/ORC AND CNN/TIME TRENDS

	<u>Too critical</u>	<u>Not critical enough</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2009 Feb 18-19	18	26	55	2

QUESTION WORDING: From the news stories about Barack Obama that you have read or seen since he became president, do you think the news media have been too critical of Obama, not critical enough, or have they been fair in their treatment of Obama?

1993 Feb 10-11	26	15	55	4
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QUESTION WORDING: From the news stories about Bill Clinton that you have read or seen since he became president, do you think the news media have been too critical of Clinton, not critical enough, or have they been fair in their treatment of Obama?

METHODOLOGY

A total of 1,002 adults were interviewed by telephone nationwide by live interviewers calling both landline and cell phones. Among the entire sample, 29% described themselves as Democrats, 25% described themselves as Republicans, and 45% 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 "NA".

Question 4

Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Republican leaders in Congress are handling their jobs?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Approve	39%	41%	36%	43%	31%
Disapprove	59%	56%	61%	55%	65%
No opinion	3%	3%	2%	2%	4%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-6.0

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 45	45 and Older
Approve	39%	30%	35%	48%	45%	30%	46%
Disapprove	59%	65%	62%	52%	54%	65%	53%
No opinion	3%	5%	3%	1%	1%	4%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-7.0	+/-7.5	+/-6.0	+/-5.0	+/-6.0	+/-3.5

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	College Grad	Non College Grad	White College Grad	White Non College Grad
Approve	39%	36%	39%	29%	43%	34%	47%
Disapprove	59%	61%	59%	69%	55%	64%	50%
No opinion	3%	2%	3%	2%	3%	2%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

	Total	Demo-crat	Indep-endent	Repub-lican	Lib-eral	Mod-erate	Conser-vative
Approve	39%	14%	33%	77%	15%	33%	66%
Disapprove	59%	86%	62%	21%	85%	64%	33%
No opinion	3%	*	4%	2%	*	3%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-6.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Approve	39%	35%	34%	47%	34%	33%	38%	51%
Disapprove	59%	61%	65%	50%	64%	64%	58%	49%
No opinion	3%	4%	1%	4%	2%	3%	3%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.0	+/-6.5	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-7.0

	Total	Lean Demo-crat	Lean Repub-lican	Trump Supporter	Non Supporter
Approve	39%	13%	75%	72%	16%
Disapprove	59%	86%	22%	24%	81%
No opinion	3%	*	3%	3%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-5.0	+/-4.0

* percentage less than 1%

Question 5

Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Democratic leaders in Congress are handling their jobs?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Approve	33%	30%	36%	29%	44%
Disapprove	63%	66%	60%	68%	51%
No opinion	4%	4%	4%	3%	6%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-6.0

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 45	45 and Older
Approve	33%	39%	31%	33%	29%	36%	32%
Disapprove	63%	54%	64%	65%	69%	58%	66%
No opinion	4%	7%	4%	2%	2%	6%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-7.0	+/-7.5	+/-6.0	+/-5.0	+/-6.0	+/-3.5

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	College Grad	Non College Grad	White College Grad	White Non College Grad
Approve	33%	39%	32%	35%	33%	36%	26%
Disapprove	63%	58%	64%	61%	63%	60%	72%
No opinion	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

	Total	Demo-crat	Indep-endent	Repub-lican	Lib-eral	Mod-erate	Conser-vative
Approve	33%	59%	26%	16%	51%	36%	17%
Disapprove	63%	40%	68%	80%	47%	59%	82%
No opinion	4%	1%	6%	3%	2%	5%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-6.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Approve	33%	39%	34%	28%	35%	39%	34%	23%
Disapprove	63%	56%	65%	66%	62%	57%	63%	75%
No opinion	4%	5%	1%	6%	3%	4%	4%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.0	+/-6.5	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-7.0

	Total	Lean Demo-crat	Lean Repub-lican	Trump Supporter	Non Supporter
Approve	33%	53%	16%	14%	47%
Disapprove	63%	45%	81%	82%	50%
No opinion	4%	2%	3%	4%	4%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-5.0	+/-4.0

* percentage less than 1%

Question 13

As you may know, Neil Gorsuch is the federal judge nominated to serve on the Supreme Court. Would you like to see the Senate vote in favor of Gorsuch serving on the Supreme Court, or not?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Vote in favor	49%	54%	44%	56%	35%
Not vote in favor	36%	32%	40%	33%	43%
No opinion	15%	15%	16%	11%	22%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-6.0

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 45	45 and Older
Vote in favor	49%	30%	48%	60%	62%	37%	59%
Not vote in favor	36%	49%	36%	29%	28%	45%	29%
No opinion	15%	21%	16%	11%	10%	18%	13%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-7.0	+/-7.5	+/-6.0	+/-5.0	+/-6.0	+/-3.5

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	College Grad	Non College Grad	White College Grad	White Non College Grad
Vote in favor	49%	44%	52%	46%	50%	53%	58%
Not vote in favor	36%	40%	34%	39%	35%	37%	31%
No opinion	15%	15%	15%	15%	16%	10%	12%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

	Total	Demo-cratic	Indep-endent	Repub-lican	Lib-eral	Mod-erate	Conser-vative
Vote in favor	49%	22%	47%	84%	23%	43%	79%
Not vote in favor	36%	61%	35%	9%	62%	39%	12%
No opinion	15%	17%	18%	8%	16%	18%	9%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-6.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Vote in favor	49%	43%	49%	60%	37%	38%	52%	65%
Not vote in favor	36%	44%	34%	28%	43%	44%	33%	26%
No opinion	15%	13%	16%	13%	20%	18%	15%	10%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.0	+/-6.5	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-7.0

	Total	Lean Demo-cratic	Lean Repub-lican	Trump Supporter	Non Supporter
Vote in favor	49%	25%	79%	82%	28%
Not vote in favor	36%	58%	10%	9%	54%
No opinion	15%	16%	10%	10%	18%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-5.0	+/-4.0

* percentage less than 1%

Question 14

How would you describe your first impressions of him? Would you say they are?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Very positive	21%	25%	19%	27%	10%
Somewhat positive	18%	20%	15%	18%	16%
Neither positive nor negative	31%	31%	31%	29%	37%
Somewhat negative	16%	15%	18%	14%	21%
Very negative	8%	6%	11%	8%	8%
No opinion	5%	3%	6%	3%	8%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-6.0

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 45	45 and Older
Very positive	21%	3%	20%	30%	38%	9%	31%
Somewhat positive	18%	18%	13%	21%	19%	16%	19%
Neither positive nor negative	31%	44%	35%	22%	21%	40%	25%
Somewhat negative	16%	19%	17%	16%	12%	19%	15%
Very negative	8%	9%	8%	7%	7%	9%	7%
No opinion	5%	8%	6%	3%	3%	7%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-7.0	+/-7.5	+/-6.0	+/-5.0	+/-6.0	+/-3.5

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	College Grad	Non College Grad	White College Grad	White Non College Grad
Very positive	21%	14%	26%	24%	20%	27%	27%
Somewhat positive	18%	19%	18%	15%	19%	14%	20%
Neither positive nor negative	31%	33%	28%	29%	32%	27%	30%
Somewhat negative	16%	18%	17%	20%	15%	21%	11%
Very negative	8%	9%	7%	9%	8%	7%	8%
No opinion	5%	6%	4%	3%	6%	3%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

	Total	Demo-crat	Indep-endent	Repub-lican	Lib-eral	Mod-erate	Conser-vative
Very positive	21%	4%	16%	51%	1%	14%	48%
Somewhat positive	18%	15%	18%	20%	11%	21%	18%
Neither positive nor negative	31%	31%	37%	21%	28%	37%	25%
Somewhat negative	16%	29%	16%	3%	35%	16%	3%
Very negative	8%	17%	6%	2%	18%	7%	2%
No opinion	5%	3%	7%	3%	7%	4%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-6.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.5

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Very positive	21%	16%	19%	31%	15%	14%	24%	33%
Somewhat positive	18%	19%	20%	15%	18%	12%	20%	24%
Neither positive nor negative	31%	29%	29%	33%	33%	38%	28%	25%
Somewhat negative	16%	21%	18%	11%	19%	22%	15%	9%
Very negative	8%	10%	9%	6%	9%	8%	8%	6%
No opinion	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%	6%	5%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.0	+/-6.5	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-7.0

	Total	Lean Demo-crat	Lean Repub-lican	Trump Supporter	Non Supporter
Very positive	21%	3%	46%	45%	6%
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Neither positive nor negative	31%	34%	25%	23%	37%
Somewhat negative	16%	29%	4%	3%	26%
Very negative	8%	14%	1%	1%	13%
No opinion	5%	4%	3%	3%	6%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-5.0	+/-4.0

* percentage less than 1%

Question 15

From what you know about Neil Gorsuch, as a Supreme Court Justice, do you think he would be too liberal, too conservative, or just about right?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Too liberal	7%	5%	9%	6%	10%
Too conservative	34%	33%	36%	32%	39%
About right	49%	53%	44%	53%	40%
No opinion	10%	9%	11%	9%	12%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-6.0

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 45	45 and Older
Too liberal	7%	9%	6%	6%	7%	8%	6%
Too conservative	34%	42%	34%	31%	28%	39%	30%
About right	49%	35%	47%	58%	58%	39%	57%
No opinion	10%	14%	14%	5%	7%	14%	7%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-7.0	+/-7.5	+/-6.0	+/-5.0	+/-6.0	+/-3.5

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Too liberal	7%	12%	5%	2%	9%	1%	8%
Too conservative	34%	32%	35%	48%	29%	48%	25%
About right	49%	46%	51%	43%	51%	44%	58%
No opinion	10%	10%	8%	7%	11%	7%	9%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

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Too conservative	34%	53%	36%	10%	66%	35%	9%
About right	49%	25%	46%	80%	20%	45%	76%
No opinion	10%	11%	12%	6%	10%	12%	6%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-6.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.5

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Too conservative	34%	39%	36%	27%	40%	39%	33%	25%
About right	49%	42%	47%	58%	43%	40%	53%	63%
No opinion	10%	10%	9%	8%	13%	12%	9%	8%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.0	+/-6.5	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-7.0

	Total	Lean Demo-crat	Lean Repub-lican	Trump Supporter	Non Supporter
Too liberal	7%	9%	4%	5%	8%
Too conservative	34%	54%	12%	11%	50%
About right	49%	27%	78%	77%	30%
No opinion	10%	10%	6%	7%	12%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-5.0	+/-4.0

* percentage less than 1%

Question 16

Suppose all or most of the Democrats in the Senate oppose Gorsuch's nomination. Do you think they would be justified - or not justified - in using Senate procedures, such as the filibuster, to prevent an up-or-down vote on the nominee?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Justified	51%	51%	51%	47%	61%
Not justified	41%	43%	40%	47%	29%
No opinion	8%	6%	9%	6%	10%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-6.0

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 45	45 and Older
Justified	51%	62%	48%	49%	42%	57%	47%
Not justified	41%	28%	39%	47%	55%	32%	49%
No opinion	8%	10%	13%	4%	3%	12%	4%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-7.0	+/-7.5	+/-6.0	+/-5.0	+/-6.0	+/-3.5

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	College Grad	Non College Grad	White College Grad	White Non College Grad
Justified	51%	51%	54%	59%	48%	55%	43%
Not justified	41%	41%	40%	37%	43%	41%	50%
No opinion	8%	8%	6%	4%	9%	4%	7%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Mod-erate	Conser-vative
Justified	51%	76%	51%	23%	78%	54%	27%
Not justified	41%	19%	40%	69%	15%	38%	68%
No opinion	8%	5%	9%	8%	7%	8%	5%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-6.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Justified	51%	57%	48%	44%	60%	59%	49%	36%
Not justified	41%	37%	44%	48%	33%	34%	42%	56%
No opinion	8%	6%	8%	9%	6%	7%	9%	8%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.0	+/-6.5	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-7.0

	Total	Lean Demo-crat	Lean Repub-lican	Trump Supporter	Non Supporter
Justified	51%	73%	30%	27%	67%
Not justified	41%	22%	64%	65%	26%
No opinion	8%	5%	7%	8%	7%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-5.0	+/-4.0

* percentage less than 1%

Question 18

From the news stories about Donald Trump that you have read or seen since he became president, do you think the news media have been too critical of Trump, not critical enough, or have they been fair in their treatment of Trump?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Too critical	42%	46%	37%	50%	25%
Not critical enough	22%	20%	24%	18%	30%
Treatment has been fair	36%	33%	38%	31%	44%
No opinion	1%	1%	1%	*	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-6.0

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 45	45 and Older
Too critical	42%	26%	43%	51%	50%	31%	51%
Not critical enough	22%	26%	24%	18%	19%	26%	19%
Treatment has been fair	36%	46%	33%	31%	30%	42%	30%
No opinion	1%	2%	*	*	1%	2%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-7.0	+/-7.5	+/-6.0	+/-5.0	+/-6.0	+/-3.5

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	College Grad	Non College Grad	White College Grad	White Non College Grad
Too critical	42%	38%	45%	38%	43%	39%	55%
Not critical enough	22%	27%	19%	23%	21%	22%	16%
Treatment has been fair	36%	35%	35%	38%	35%	39%	28%
No opinion	1%	*	1%	1%	1%	1%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Too critical	42%	11%	37%	85%	13%	35%	75%
Not critical enough	22%	41%	21%	2%	42%	19%	9%
Treatment has been fair	36%	48%	40%	13%	44%	45%	16%
No opinion	1%	*	2%	*	1%	1%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-6.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Too critical	42%	34%	42%	50%	35%	31%	44%	62%
Not critical enough	22%	25%	22%	17%	27%	26%	21%	13%
Treatment has been fair	36%	40%	35%	33%	36%	42%	33%	25%
No opinion	1%	1%	*	1%	2%	1%	1%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.0	+/-6.5	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-7.0

	Total	Lean Democrat	Lean Republican	Trump Supporter	Non Supporter
Too critical	42%	10%	80%	85%	14%
Not critical enough	22%	36%	3%	2%	35%
Treatment has been fair	36%	53%	17%	13%	50%
No opinion	1%	1%	*	*	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-5.0	+/-4.0

* percentage less than 1%