

The logo for the CNN | ORC POLL. It features the text "CNN | ORC" in a bold, black, sans-serif font on a light gray background. Below this, the word "POLL" is written in a larger, bold, white, sans-serif font on a solid black background.

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Interviews with 1,009 adult Americans conducted by telephone by ORC International on July 18-20, 2011. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 3 percentage points.

The sample includes 856 interviews among landline respondents and 153 interviews among cell phone respondents.

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32. As you may know, the current space shuttle mission will be the final time that the U.S. will send astronauts into space using the shuttle. Until the U.S. develops a replacement for the shuttle, all manned U.S. space flights will take place in spacecraft that are owned by other countries. Overall, do you think the end of the space shuttle program will be good for the U.S., bad for the U.S., or not have any effect on the U.S. at all?

July 18-20
2011

Good	16%
Bad	50%
No effect	33%
No opinion	1%

33. Just your best guess -- do you think the U.S. will or will not eventually develop a replacement spacecraft that will be capable of sending U.S. astronauts into space and returning them to Earth?

July 18-20
2011

Will	87%
Will not	11%
No opinion	2%

34. And do you think the U.S. should or should not develop a replacement spacecraft that will be capable of sending U.S. astronauts into space and returning them to Earth?

July 18-20
2011

Should	75%
Should not	23%
No opinion	2%

35. In general, do you think the U.S. should rely more on the government or more on private companies to run the country's manned space missions in the future?

July 18-20
2011

Government	38%
Private companies	54%
Both equal (vol.)	4%
Neither (vol.)	2%
No opinion	2%

36. How important do you think it is for the United States to be ahead of Russia and other countries in space exploration -- very important, fairly important, or not too important?

July 18-20
2011

Very important	38%
Fairly important	26%
Not too important	36%
No opinion	1%

GALLUP POLL TREND

	<u>Very</u> <u>important</u>	<u>Fairly</u> <u>important</u>	<u>Not too</u> <u>important</u>	<u>No</u> <u>opinion</u>
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QUESTION WORDING: How important do you think it is for the United States to be ahead of Russia in space exploration—very important, fairly important, or not too important.

Question 32

As you may know, the current space shuttle mission will be the final time that the U.S. will send astronauts into space using the shuttle. Until the U.S. develops a replacement for the shuttle, all manned U.S. space flights will take place in spacecraft that are owned by other countries. Overall, do you think the end of the space shuttle program will be good for the U.S., bad for the U.S., or not have any effect on the U.S. at all?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Good	16%	20%	12%	14%	20%
Bad	50%	45%	55%	51%	49%
No effect	33%	34%	31%	34%	30%
No opinion	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-7.5

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Good	16%	20%	17%	14%	12%	18%	13%
Bad	50%	52%	48%	50%	51%	50%	51%
No effect	33%	27%	35%	35%	35%	31%	35%
No opinion	1%	1%	*	1%	1%	*	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-4.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Good	16%	21%	14%	18%	14%
Bad	50%	51%	50%	48%	52%
No effect	33%	28%	36%	33%	33%
No opinion	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.0	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Good	16%	21%	14%	14%	17%	17%	15%
Bad	50%	45%	51%	55%	47%	53%	48%
No effect	33%	33%	33%	31%	35%	29%	37%
No opinion	1%	1%	1%	*	1%	1%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-6.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Good	16%	15%	16%	18%	15%	21%	13%	15%
Bad	50%	47%	47%	52%	53%	47%	49%	56%
No effect	33%	35%	35%	30%	31%	32%	36%	29%
No opinion	1%	2%	2%	*	*	1%	1%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-4.5	+/-6.5

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Good	16%	12%	17%	18%
Bad	50%	57%	51%	44%
No effect	33%	30%	32%	37%
No opinion	1%	*	*	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.0

* percentage less than 1%

Question 33

Just your best guess -- do you think the U.S. will or will not eventually develop a replacement spacecraft that will be capable of sending U.S. astronauts into space and returning them to Earth?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Will	87%	86%	88%	87%	88%
Will not	11%	12%	11%	12%	11%
No opinion	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-7.5

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Will	87%	93%	85%	88%	82%	89%	86%
Will not	11%	7%	15%	12%	13%	11%	12%
No opinion	2%	*	*	1%	5%	*	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-4.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Will	87%	89%	86%	87%	88%
Will not	11%	10%	12%	12%	11%
No opinion	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.0	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Will	87%	92%	87%	80%	82%	91%	87%
Will not	11%	7%	12%	17%	17%	9%	12%
No opinion	2%	1%	1%	3%	1%	1%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-6.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Will	87%	85%	89%	91%	82%	87%	88%	88%
Will not	11%	12%	10%	8%	18%	12%	10%	12%
No opinion	2%	3%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-4.5	+/-6.5

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Will	87%	88%	87%	88%
Will not	11%	10%	13%	11%
No opinion	2%	2%	*	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.0

* percentage less than 1%

Question 34

And do you think the U.S. should or should not develop a replacement spacecraft that will be capable of sending U.S. astronauts into space and returning them to Earth?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Should	75%	80%	69%	74%	78%
Should not	23%	19%	28%	24%	22%
No opinion	2%	1%	3%	2%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-7.5

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Should	75%	77%	76%	75%	70%	76%	73%
Should not	23%	20%	22%	25%	28%	21%	26%
No opinion	2%	3%	2%	*	2%	2%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-4.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Should	75%	73%	77%	73%	76%
Should not	23%	26%	21%	24%	23%
No opinion	2%	2%	2%	3%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.0	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Should	75%	71%	76%	76%	73%	74%	77%
Should not	23%	27%	22%	21%	27%	23%	21%
No opinion	2%	2%	2%	2%	*	3%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-6.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Should	75%	70%	72%	81%	73%	78%	73%	76%
Should not	23%	28%	26%	17%	25%	22%	24%	22%
No opinion	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-4.5	+/-6.5

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Should	75%	81%	75%	70%
Should not	23%	17%	23%	28%
No opinion	2%	2%	2%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.0

* percentage less than 1%

Question 35

In general, do you think the U.S. should rely more on the government or more on private companies to run the country's manned space missions in the future?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Government	38%	35%	41%	34%	49%
Private companies	54%	56%	52%	59%	43%
Both equal	4%	6%	3%	4%	4%
Neither	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%
No opinion	2%	2%	3%	2%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-7.5

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Government	38%	45%	39%	36%	29%	42%	33%
Private companies	54%	53%	52%	54%	60%	52%	56%
Both equal	4%	*	4%	8%	5%	2%	6%
Neither	2%	*	3%	1%	4%	1%	2%
No opinion	2%	1%	2%	2%	3%	1%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-4.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Government	38%	42%	36%	37%	39%
Private companies	54%	48%	59%	55%	54%
Both equal	4%	5%	3%	4%	4%
Neither	2%	3%	1%	2%	1%
No opinion	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.0	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Government	38%	50%	37%	25%	50%	42%	25%
Private companies	54%	43%	55%	68%	40%	53%	66%
Both equal	4%	4%	5%	3%	7%	2%	5%
Neither	2%	2%	1%	2%	1%	1%	3%
No opinion	2%	1%	3%	3%	2%	2%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-6.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Government	38%	37%	39%	40%	35%	44%	36%	35%
Private companies	54%	50%	56%	54%	56%	47%	57%	55%
Both equal	4%	6%	4%	2%	4%	4%	4%	5%
Neither	2%	3%	*	2%	1%	1%	1%	4%
No opinion	2%	4%	1%	1%	4%	4%	1%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-4.5	+/-6.5

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Government	38%	26%	40%	47%
Private companies	54%	69%	54%	41%
Both equal	4%	4%	3%	5%
Neither	2%	*	1%	3%
No opinion	2%	1%	1%	4%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.0

* percentage less than 1%

Question 36

How important do you think it is for the United States to be ahead of Russia and other countries in space exploration -- very important, fairly important, or not too important?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Very important	38%	37%	38%	32%	50%
Fairly important	26%	25%	27%	27%	24%
Not too important	36%	37%	35%	40%	25%
No opinion	1%	1%	1%	1%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-7.5

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Very important	38%	28%	42%	41%	42%	35%	42%
Fairly important	26%	32%	19%	24%	31%	26%	26%
Not too important	36%	39%	39%	35%	27%	39%	32%
No opinion	1%	1%	*	*	*	1%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-4.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Very important	38%	42%	33%	41%	35%
Fairly important	26%	26%	25%	24%	27%
Not too important	36%	32%	41%	34%	37%
No opinion	1%	*	1%	1%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.0	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very important	38%	37%	36%	41%	26%	39%	43%
Fairly important	26%	27%	25%	26%	26%	28%	22%
Not too important	36%	36%	38%	31%	47%	33%	33%
No opinion	1%	*	1%	2%	*	*	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-6.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Very important	38%	37%	28%	47%	33%	34%	39%	39%
Fairly important	26%	25%	29%	24%	25%	32%	24%	25%
Not too important	36%	36%	42%	28%	40%	34%	36%	36%
No opinion	1%	2%	*	*	2%	*	1%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-4.5	+/-6.5

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Very important	38%	44%	42%	28%
Fairly important	26%	28%	21%	29%
Not too important	36%	27%	37%	43%
No opinion	1%	1%	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.0

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