

The logo features the text 'CNN | ORC' in a bold, sans-serif font. The 'CNN' is white with a black outline, and the 'ORC' is solid black. A vertical bar separates the two. Below this, the word 'POLL' is written in large, white, bold, sans-serif capital letters on a solid black rectangular background.

CNN | ORC POLL

Interviews with 620 adult Americans conducted by telephone by ORC International on December 17-18, 2012. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 4 percentage points.

The sample includes 463 interviews among landline respondents and 157 interviews among cell phone respondents.

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2012

Good for country	57%
Bad for country	32%
Mixed/depends (vol.)	3%
No opinion	8%

METHODOLOGY

A total of 620 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, telephone usage and whether respondents own or rent their homes. Among the entire sample, 34% described themselves as Democrats, 41% described themselves as Independents, and 25% described themselves as Republicans.

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 14

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Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White	Reg. Voters		
Good for country	57%	58%	55%	53%	N/A	55%		
Bad for country	32%	34%	31%	34%	N/A	34%		
Mixed/Depends	3%	4%	3%	4%	N/A	3%		
No opinion	8%	4%	11%	9%	N/A	8%		
Sampling Error	+/-4.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-4.5		+/-4.0		
		18-	35-	50-		Under	50 and	
	Total	34	49	64	65+	50	Older	
Good for country	57%	N/A	N/A	61%	55%	56%	59%	
Bad for country	32%	N/A	N/A	28%	35%	33%	31%	
Mixed/Depends	3%	N/A	N/A	1%	3%	4%	2%	
No opinion	8%	N/A	N/A	10%	7%	7%	9%	
Sampling Error	+/-4.0			+/-7.0	+/-7.0	+/-6.5	+/-5.0	
	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College			
Good for country	57%	58%	58%	57%	57%			
Bad for country	32%	34%	31%	30%	33%			
Mixed/Depends	3%	2%	4%	1%	5%			
No opinion	8%	5%	7%	12%	5%			
Sampling Error	+/-4.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.5	+/-4.5			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative	
Good for country	57%	79%	54%	31%	N/A	62%	41%	
Bad for country	32%	14%	33%	56%	N/A	26%	47%	
Mixed/Depends	3%	1%	4%	6%	N/A	4%	3%	
No opinion	8%	6%	9%	7%	N/A	7%	9%	
Sampling Error	+/-4.0	+/-7.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.5		+/-6.5	+/-6.0	
	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Good for country	57%	61%	54%	58%	54%	60%	55%	55%
Bad for country	32%	23%	40%	30%	37%	26%	34%	38%
Mixed/Depends	3%	6%	1%	4%	2%	5%	3%	2%
No opinion	8%	9%	6%	8%	7%	9%	8%	5%
Sampling Error	+/-4.0	+/-8.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.0	+/-5.5	+/-8.5

* percentage less than 1%