**2015 PEW RESEARCH CENTER’S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL**

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## ASK ALL:

## MIP. What do you think is the most important problem facing the country today?

## [PROGRAMMING NOTE: OPEN-END TEXT BOX]

GEN\_INTBelow is a list of things that some people are interested in, and others are not. Which of the following are you interested in?

## *[Check all that apply]*

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: RANDOMIZE A-K WITH L AWLAYS LAST]**

1. Country music
2. Reading the Bible
3. Hunting or fishing
4. Working out (e.g. yoga, cycling, hiking)
5. Hip hop
6. Art and theater
7. Celebrity news and gossip
8. Gardening
9. International travel
10. NASCAR
11. NBA basketball
12. None of the above **[EXCLUSIVE PUNCH]**

**ASK ALL:**

## TRUST\_NHBR How much do you trust the people in your neighborhood? In general,

## do you trust…

1. All of the people in your neighborhood
2. Most of the people in your neighborhood
3. Some of the people in your neighborhood
4. None of the people in your neighborhood

## ASK ALL:

## LOCALELECT The next question is about LOCAL elections, such as for mayor or a

## school board. Do you…

1. Always vote in local elections
2. Sometimes vote in local elections
3. Rarely vote in local elections
4. Never vote in local elections

**ASK ALL:**

## PARTICIPATE Below is a list of types of groups or organizations in which people sometimes participate. Have you participated in any of these groups during the last 12 months, that is since [READ IN CURRENT MONTH] 2014?

1. A school group, neighborhood, or community association such as PTA or neighborhood watch group?
2. Yes
3. No
4. A service or civic organization such as American Legion or Lions Club?
5. Yes
6. No
7. A sports or recreation organization such as a soccer club or tennis club?
8. Yes
9. No

**INTERNET LIBRARY ITEMS**

ASK ALL:

LIBRARY1    Have you, personally, ever visited a public library or used a public library

bookmobile IN PERSON, or is this something you’ve never done?

1        Yes, have done this in past 12 months

2        Yes, have done this, but not in the past 12 months

3        No, have never done this

ASK ALL:

LIBRARY2     Have you, personally, ever used a public library WEBSITE, or is this

something you’ve never done?

1        Yes, have done this in past 12 months

2        Yes, have done this, but not in the past 12 months

3        No, have never done this

**POLITICAL TRACKING ITEM**

**ASK ALL:**

THOUGHT How much thought, if any, have you given to candidates who may be running for president in 2016?

1 A lot

2 Some

3 Not much

4 None at all

**SDT OPEN-END**

Now a different kind of question…

**ASK ALL:**

ST.1 What ONE WORD comes to mind first when you think about immigrants in the United States today**?**

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: OPEN-END ONE LINE TEXT FIELD, 25 CHARACTERS]**

**GENERATION ITEMS**

**ASK ALL:**

GEN1 For each of the following terms, please check the box next to those that you have heard of before. If you are unsure, do not check the box.

*[Check all that you have heard of]*

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: RANDOMIZE A-E]**

1. Greatest Generation
2. Silent Generation
3. Baby-Boom Generation
4. Generation X
5. Millennial Generation
6. None of the above **[EXCLUSIVE PUNCH]**

**ASK ALL:**

GEN2 These are some commonly used names for generations. Which of these, if any, do you consider yourself to be? If you use another term to describe your generation, please choose “other” and tell us that term.

*[Check all that apply]*

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: LIST a-e IN ORDER; REVERSE ORDER FOR HALF SAMPLE, WITH f ALWAYS LAST;**

a. Greatest Generation

b. Silent Generation

c. Baby-Boom Generation

d. Generation X

e. Millennial Generation

f. Other **[SPECIFY\_\_\_\_\_]**

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: SOFT PROMPT “***If you’re sure you want to skip, click Next.”***]**

**IF NONE OF GEN2A-E ARE SELECTED, SKIP TO GEN4**

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: GEN3a-e SHOULD MATCH ORDER OF GEN2a-e]**

**ASK IF GEN2a SELECTED:**

GEN3a How well would you say the term GREATEST GENERATION applies to you?

1          Very well

2          Fairly well

3          Not too well

4          Not at all well

**ASK GEN2b SELECTED:**

GEN3b How well would you say the term SILENT GENERATION applies to you?

1          Very well

2          Fairly well

3          Not too well

4          Not at all well

**ASK IF GEN2c SELECTED:**

GEN3c How well would you say the term BABY-BOOM GENERATION applies to you?

1          Very well

2          Fairly well

3          Not too well

4          Not at all well

**ASK IF GEN2d SELECTED:**

GEN3d How well would you say the term GENERATION X applies to you?

1          Very well

2          Fairly well

3          Not too well

4          Not at all well

**ASK IF GEN2e SELECTED:**

GEN3e How well would you say the term MILLENNIAL GENERATION applies to you?

1          Very well

2          Fairly well

3          Not too well

4          Not at all well

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: GEN4 SHOULD BE PROGRAMMED AS ONE COLUMN.]**

**ASK ALL:**

GEN4 Thinking about people in your generation overall, which of the following words or phrases describe your generation?

*[Check all that apply]*

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: RANDOMIZE]**

a. Greedy

b. Tolerant

c. Rigid

d. Patriotic

e. Entrepreneurial

f. Environmentally conscious

g. Idealistic

h. Cynical

i. Hard working

j. Responsible

k. Moral

l. Religious

m. Self-absorbed

n. Politically active

o. Self-reliant

p. Wasteful

q. Compassionate

r. Willing to sacrifice

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: SOFT PROMPT “***If you’re sure you want to skip, click Next.”***]**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.8 Do you have any thoughts on the topic of generations that you would like to share?

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: OPEN END – LARGE TEXT BOX]**

**SDT ITEMS**

**ASK ALL:**

ST.2 As far as you know, do you think the immigration system in this country…

1 Works pretty well and requires only minor changes

2 Needs major changes

3 Needs to be completely rebuilt

**ASK ALL:**

ST.3 Generally, do you think immigrants coming to the United States…

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2]**

1 Make American society better in the long run

2 Make American society worse in the long run

3 Don’t have much of an effect on American society one way or the other

**POLITICAL KNOWLEDGE**

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: THERE ARE SEPARATE IMAGE FILES FOR THESE ITEMS]**

INTRO TEXT: Here are some questions about people and things that have been in the news. Please answer the questions as best as you can. If you don’t know the answer to a question, just move on to the next one. We will reveal the correct answers at the end of the survey.

**ASK ALL:**

K.1 What does the line on the map represent?



**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]**

1 Mississippi River

2 New Madrid Fault

3 Proposed Keystone XL Pipeline

4 Expansion of the Midwest Regional Railroad Line

**ASK ALL:**

K.2 What is the name of this person?



**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]**

1 Malcolm X

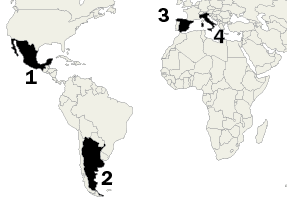
2 Martin Luther King, Jr.

3 Jesse Jackson

4 Thurgood Marshall

**ASK ALL:**

K.3 Which country is Pope Francis originally from?

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1. 1
2. 2
3. 3
4. 4

**ASK ALL:**

K.4 The United States recently announced that it would re-establish diplomatic relations with which of the following countries?

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]**

1 Russia

2 North Korea

3 Cuba

4 Yemen

**ASK ALL:**

K.5 Who is Malala Yousafzai?



**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]**

1 2014 Nobel Peace Prize recipient

2 The first Muslim woman elected to the U.S. Congress

3 An Academy Award-winning director

4 Pakistan’s ambassador to the U.S.

**ASK ALL:**

K.6 To comply with the health care law, most Americans need to indicate they have health insurance coverage when they…

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]**

1 Vote in an election

2 Change their address

3 File their taxes 4 Receive a driver’s license

**ASK ALL:**

K.7 This graph shows the trend in what national statistic?

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**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]**

1 The inflation rate

2 The corporate tax rate

3 The high school dropout rate

4 The unemployment rate

**ASK ALL:**

K.8 Which dot on this map represents where the U.S. military prison at Guantanamo Bay is located?

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1. 1
2. 2
3. 3
4. 4

**ASK ALL:**

K.9 There are nine justices on the Supreme Court of the United States. How many are women?

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: DO NOT RANDOMIZE]**

1 One

2 Two

3 Three

4 Four

**ASK ALL:**

K.10 What country does this person lead?



**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]**

1 North Korea

2 South Korea

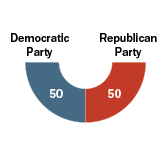
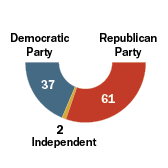
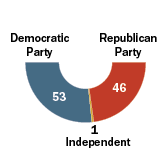
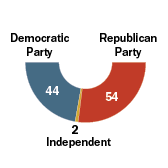
3 China

4 Malaysia

**ASK ALL:**

K.11 Which of the following shows the number of seats each party holds in the U.S. Senate?

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]**

1. 
2. 
3. 
4. 

**ASK ALL:**

K.12 In what year did the U.S. war in Afghanistan begin? Was it…

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: DO NOT RANDOMIZE]**

1 1997

2 2001

3 2003

4 2010

**ASK ALL:**

K.13 Which one is Elizabeth Warren, the senator from Massachusetts?

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]**

1. 
2. 
3. 
4. 

**SDT KNOWLEDGE**

**ASK ALL:**

ST.4 What percentage of today’s U.S. population was born in another country?

1 4%

2 13%

3 39%

4 55%

**ASK ALL:**

ST.5 What percentage of immigrants in the U.S. today are living here illegally?

1 9%

2 26%

3 45%

4 62%

**ASK ALL:**

ST.6 Over the last five years, the largest group of immigrants to the United States has come from…

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]**

1 Europe

2 Latin America

3 Africa

4 Asia

5 Middle East

**NON-PROB ITEMS**

**ASK ALL:**

TECH\_PRIVACYHow much do you worry that computers and technology are

being used to invade your privacy?

1. A lot
2. Some
3. Not much
4. Not at all

**ASK ALL:**

COGNITIONWhich of the following statements best describes you?

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: REVERSE TEXT FOR ANSWER CHOICES 1 AND 5 FOR HALF OF RESPONDENTS]**

*[Click the point on the scale from 1 to 5 that best matches your opinion]*

1. 1 I prefer simple problems rather than those that require a lot of thought
2. 2
3. 3
4. 4
5. 5 I prefer complicated problems that require new solutions and a lot of thought

**ASK ALL:**

GOVT\_ROLEWhich statement comes closer to your views, even if neither is exactly

right?

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]**

1. Government should do more to solve problems
2. Government is doing too many things better left to businesses and individuals

**SDT ITEMS**

Now a few more questions about immigration to the United States …

**ASK ALL:**

ST.7 In your opinion, should immigration be kept at its present level, increased, or decreased?

1. Present level
2. Increased
3. Decreased

**ASK ALL:**

ST.8 Do you think immigrants in the United States are making things **[RANDOMIZE:** better, worse**]**, or not having much effect in each of the following areas?

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: FOR EACH ITEM, RANDOMIZE RESPONSE CATEGORIES 1 AND 2 IN SAME ORDER AS QUESTION STEM]**

1. Crime

1 Immigrants are making things better

2 Immigrants are making things worse

3 Immigrants are not having much effect

1. Food, music, and the arts

1 Immigrants are making things better

2 Immigrants are making things worse

3 Immigrants are not having much effect

1. The economy

1 Immigrants are making things better

2 Immigrants are making things worse

3 Immigrants are not having much effect

1. Social and moral values

1 Immigrants are making things better

2 Immigrants are making things worse

3 Immigrants are not having much effect

e. Science and technology

1 Immigrants are making things better

2 Immigrants are making things worse

3 Immigrants are not having much effect

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: SOFT PROMPT “***If you’re sure you want to skip, click Next”***]**

**ASK ALL**

ST.8x As far as you know, are there any immigrants living in your community, or not?

1 Yes

2 No

**ASK IF THERE ARE IMMIGRANTS IN RESPONDENT’S COMMUNITY OR MISSING (ST.8X=1,99):**

ST.9 Thinking specifically about immigrants in the community where you live, do you think they are making things **[RANDOMIZE IN SAME ORDER AS ST.8:** better, worse**]**, or not having much effect in each of the following areas?

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1. Food, music, and the arts

1 Immigrants are making things better

2 Immigrants are making things worse

3 Immigrants are not having much effect

1. Job opportunities for you and your family

1 Immigrants are making things better

2 Immigrants are making things worse

3 Immigrants are not having much effect

d. Schools

1 Immigrants are making things better

2 Immigrants are making things worse

3 Immigrants are not having much effect

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: SOFT PROMPT “***If you’re sure you want to skip, click Next”***]**

**ASK ALL:**

ST.10 In your opinion, what do you think is the main reason most immigrants come to the United States?

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 THROUGH 4]**

1 Educational opportunities

2 Economic opportunities

3 Conflict or persecution in their home country

4 To be reunited with family

5 Some other reason

**ASK ALL:**

ST.11 Which comes closer to your view—even if neither is exactly right?

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2]**

1 Immigrants in our country today generally want to adopt American customs and way of life

2 Immigrants in our country today generally want to hold on to the customs and way of life of their home country

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: RANDOMIZE ST. ST.12a-ST.12E]**

**ASK ALL:**

ST.12a Do you think the impact of immigrants from EUROPE on American society has been…

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2 IN SAME ORDER FOR ST.12a-ST.12E]**

1 Mostly positive

2 Mostly negative

3 Neither positive nor negative

**ASK ALL:**

ST.12b Do you think the impact of immigrants from LATIN AMERICA on American society has been…

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2 IN SAME ORDER FOR ST.12a-ST.12E]**

1 Mostly positive

2 Mostly negative

3 Neither positive nor negative

**ASK ALL:**

ST.12c Do you think the impact of immigrants from AFRICA on American society has been…

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2 IN SAME ORDER FOR ST.12a-ST.12E]**

1 Mostly positive

2 Mostly negative

3 Neither positive nor negative

ST.12d Do you think the impact of immigrants from ASIA on American society has been…

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2 IN SAME ORDER FOR ST.12a-ST.12E]**

1 Mostly positive

2 Mostly negative

3 Neither positive nor negative

ST.12e Do you think the impact of immigrants from the MIDDLE EAST on American society has been…

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2 IN SAME ORDER FOR ST.12a-ST.12E]**

1 Mostly positive

2 Mostly negative

3 Neither positive nor negative

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: SOFT PROMPT “***If you’re sure you want to skip, click Next”***]**

**ASK ALL:**

ST.13 In your opinion, do most recent immigrants learn English within a reasonable amount of time, or don’t they?

1 Yes, they do

2 No, they don’t

**ASK ALL:**

ST.14 Do you think adult immigrants in the United States…

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2]**

1 Need to learn to speak English to succeed

2 Can succeed even if they don’t speak English

**ASK ALL:**

ST.15 In deciding whether people from other countries should be allowed to legally immigrate to the United States, should the government give higher priority to …

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2]**

1 People who are highly educated and highly skilled workers, even if they do not have family members in the U.S.

2 People who have family members already living in the U.S., even if they are not highly educated or highly skilled workers

**NON-PROB DEMOS**

**ASK ALL:**

ALCOHOL\_DAYSDuring the past 30 days, how many days did you have at least

one drink of any alcoholic beverages such as beer, wine, a malt beverage, or liquor?

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: OPEN END SHORT NUMERIC TEXT FIELD; INTEGERS 0-30. NUMERIC FIELD ONLY, DO NOT ALLOW TEXT.]**

*Error message if outside range: Please enter a number between 0 and 30.*

**ASK IF ALCOHOL>0:**

ALCOHOL **\_**NUMBERDuring the past 30 days, what is the largest number of drinks

you had on any occasion?

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: OPEN END SHORT NUMERIC TEXT FIELD; RANGE 1-30. NUMERIC FIELD ONLY, DO NOT ALLOW TEXT.]**

*Prompt to display this if entry is greater than 30 and allow to continue: Please confirm your entry. We are interested in the largest number of drinks on any one occasion. Click Next to continue.*

**SDT DEMOS**

**ASK ALL:**

ST.16 Do you have any friends or relatives who are recent immigrants?

1 Yes

2 No

**ASK IF THERE ARE IMMIGRANTS IN RESPONDENT’S COMMUNITY OR MISSING (ST.8X=1,99):**

ST.17 How many recent immigrants would you say there are in the community where you live?

1 Many

2 Some

3 Only a few

4 None

**[CLEANING RULES: PLEASE CODE ANYONE WHO SAID “NO” IN ST.8X (ST8X=2) AS “NONE” IN ST.19 (ST19=4)]**

**ASK ALL:**

USBORNPWere both of your parents born in the United States, including Puerto Rico or other U.S. territories, or not?

1. Yes, both parents were born in the U.S. (including Puerto Rico or other U.S. territories)
2. No, one parent was born in another country
3. No, both parents were born in another country

**ASK ALL:**

USBORNGWere ALL of your grandparents born in the United States, including Puerto Rico or other U.S. territories, or not?

1. Yes, ALL grandparents were born in the U.S. (including Puerto Rico or other U.S. territories)
2. No, AT LEAST ONE grandparent was born in another country

**POLITICAL DEMOS**

**ASK ALL:**

PARTY In politics today, do you consider yourself a:

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: “Specify” is text field]**

1. Republican
2. Democrat
3. Independent
4. Something else, please specify:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**ASK IF INDEP/SOMETHING ELSE (PARTY=3 or 4) OR MISSING:**

PARTYLN. As of today do you lean more to…

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: RESPONSE OPTIONS IN SAME ORDER AS PARTY]**

1 The Republican Party

2 The Democratic Party

**ASK ALL:**

IDEO In general, would you describe your political views as…

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: REVERSE RESPONSE OPTION SCALE FOR RANDOM HALF OF RESPONDENTS]**

1. Very conservative
2. Conservative
3. Moderate
4. Liberal
5. Very liberal

**ASK DEMOCRATS AND DEMOCRATIC LEANING INDEPENDENTS (PARTY=2 OR PARTYLN=2) :**

Q.2 Thinking about the 2016 presidential election, who would be your choice for the Democratic nomination for president?

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: THREE OPEN END TEXT FIELDS LABELED “First choice” “Second choice (if any)” “Third choice (if any)” DO NOT INCLUDE CHECK BOXES FOR ANY CHOICES]**

**ASK REPUBLICANS AND REPUBLICAN LEANING INDEPENDENTS (PARTY=1 OR PARTYLN=1):**

Q.3 Thinking about the 2016 presidential election, who would be your choice for the Republican nomination for president?

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: THREE OPEN END TEXT FIELDS LABELED “First choice” “Second choice (if any)” “Third choice (if any)” DO NOT INCLUDE CHECK BOXES FOR ANY CHOICES]**

1. Open-end responses are excluded from public datasets to protect the confidentiality of ATP panelists. Lines across page designate a page break. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)