**2018 PEW RESEARCH CENTER’S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL**

**WAVE 31 FEBRUARY 2018**

**JANUARY 29-FEBRUARY 13, 2018**

**FINAL TOPLINE**

**TOTAL N=4,656**

**ASK ALL:**

SATISF All in all, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way things are going in this country today?

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  | Apr 4-18  2017 | Feb 28-  Mar 12  2017[[1]](#footnote-1) | Sep 27-  Oct 10  2016 | Jun 7-  Jul 5  2016[[2]](#footnote-2) | Sep 15-  Oct 3  2014 |
| 36 | Satisfied | 26 | 32 | 23 | 19 | 25 |
| 63 | Dissatisfied | 73 | 68 | 75 | 80 | 75 |
| 1 | No Answer | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

**ASK ALL:**

CONF How much confidence, if any, do you have in each of the following to act in the best interests of the public? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | A great deal  of confidence | A fair amount of confidence | Not too much confidence | No confidence at all | No Answer |
| a. Elected officials |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 3 | 22 | 52 | 23 | \* |
| May 10-Jun 6, 2016 | 3 | 24 | 54 | 19 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| b. The news media |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 8 | 32 | 35 | 25 | \* |
| May 10-Jun 6, 2016 | 5 | 33 | 40 | 21 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| c. The military |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 39 | 41 | 15 | 4 | \* |
| May 10-Jun 6, 2016 | 33 | 46 | 15 | 5 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| d. Religious leaders |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 9 | 40 | 34 | 16 | 1 |
| May 10-Jun 6, 2016 | 13 | 39 | 32 | 14 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| e. Business leaders |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 5 | 40 | 42 | 13 | \* |
| May 10-Jun 6, 2016 | 4 | 37 | 44 | 14 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| f. Scientists |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 27 | 52 | 17 | 5 | \* |
| May 10-Jun 6, 2016 | 21 | 55 | 18 | 4 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |

**ASK ALL:**

POL1DT Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as President?

**ASK IF ANSWERED POL1DT (POL1DT=1,2):**

POL1DTSTR Do you **[IF POL1DT=1:** approve**; IF POL1DT=2:** disapprove**]** of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as President…

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  | Aug 8-21  2017 | Apr 4-18  2017 | Feb 28-  Mar 12  2017[[3]](#footnote-3) |
| 38 | NET Approve | 36 | 39 | 44 |
| 29 | Very strongly | 26 | 27 | 30 |
| 9 | Not so strongly | 10 | 12 | 13 |
| \* | No answer | \* | \* | \* |
| 60 | NET Disapprove | 63 | 61 | 56 |
| 48 | Very strongly | 49 | 45 | 43 |
| 12 | Not so strongly | 13 | 15 | 12 |
| \* | No answer | \* | \* | \* |
| 2 | No Answer | 1 | 1 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |

**ASK ALL:**

FOLGOV Would you say you follow what is going on in government and public affairs…

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  | Sep 27-  Oct 10  2016 | Sep 9-  Oct 3  2014 |
| 48 | Most of the time | 40 | 34 |
| 33 | Some of the time | 37 | 39 |
| 13 | Only now and then | 16 | 17 |
| 6 | Hardly at all | 7 | 11 |
| \* | No Answer | 1 | 0 |
|  |  |  |  |

**ASK ALL:**

OFTVOTE How often would you say you vote?

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  | Sep 27-  Oct 10  2016 | Sep 9-  Oct 3  2014 |
| 46 | Always | 43 | 35 |
| 26 | Nearly always | 26 | 27 |
| 10 | Part of the time | 11 | 11 |
| 18 | Seldom | 19 | 25 |
| 1 | No Answer | 1 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |

**ASK ALL:**

MATTERSCONG Thinking about how you feel about the 2018 congressional election, where would you place yourself on the following scale?

**[PROGRAMMING NOTE: PLEASE FLIP THE LABELS FOR HALF OF RESPONDENTS LEAVING THE SCALE ALWAYS 1🡪4; CAPTURE RANDOMIZATION]**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  |
| 57 | 1 = Really matters which party wins control of Congress |
| 19 | 2 |
| 10 | 3 |
| 12 | 4 = Doesn’t really matter which party wins control of Congress |
| 1 | No Answer |
|  |  |

**DO NOT ASK IF RSTATE=11 DC, ELSE ASK ALL [N=4,642]:**

CONG If the elections for the U.S. House of Representatives were being held TODAY, who would you vote for? **[RANDOMIZE ORDER OF RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2]**

**ASK IF ‘NOT SURE’ (CONG=4) OR NO RESPONSE TO CONG (CONG=99) DO NOT ASK IF RSTATE=11 DC:**

**[RANDOMIZE ORDER OF RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, KEEPING THEM IN THE SAME ORDER AS CONG]**

CONGA As of TODAY, who do you LEAN more to for the U.S. House of Representatives?

**BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=4,053]**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  | Oct 3 – 27 2014[[4]](#footnote-4) | Sep 15 –  Oct 3 2014 | May 30- Jun 30 2014 |
| 38 | Rep/Lean Rep | 39 | 42 | 38 |
| 47 | Dem/Lean Dem | 43 | 47 | 42 |
| 5 | Another/Lean to another | 4 | 5 | 5 |
| 10 | Not sure | 12 | 6 | 14 |
| \* | No Answer | \* | \* | \* |
|  |  |  |  |  |

**ASK ALL:**

Now, thinking about the people you talk with, whether in person, over the phone, or electronically…

TALKPOL How often do you discuss government and politics with others? **[DISPLAY IN ORDER]**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  | Mar 2-28  2016 | Mar 19-  Apr 29  2014[[5]](#footnote-5) |
| 18 | Nearly every day | 23 | 13 |
| 33 | A few times a week | 35 | 29 |
| 23 | A few times a month | 18 | 26 |
| 26 | Less often | 23 | 32 |
| \* | No Answer | 1 | \* |

**ASK ALL:**

COREUSDEM Thinking about the fundamental design and structure of American government, which comes closer to your view? **[RANDOMIZE]**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  |
| 61 | Significant changes to the design and structure are needed to make it work for current times |
| 38 | The design and structure serves the country well and does not need significant changes |
| 2 | No Answer |
|  |  |

**ASK ALL:**

IMPTUS Now we’re going to ask you about the importance of a number of things for the United States.

For each of the following, how important is it for the country that… **[SPLIT OVER TWO SCREENS, RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Very important | Somewhat important | Not too important | Not at all important | No Answer |
| a. Government policies generally reflect the views of most Americans |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 59 | 34 | 4 | 3 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| b. The government conducts its work openly and transparently |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 74 | 22 | 2 | 2 | \* |

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **IMPTUS CONTINUED…** |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Very important | Somewhat important | Not too important | Not at all important | No Answer |
| c. The executive, legislative and judicial branches of government each keep the others from having too much power |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 76 | 18 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| d. People who give a lot of money to elected officials do not have more political influence than other people |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 74 | 16 | 5 | 5 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| e. The tone of debate among political leaders is respectful |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 61 | 29 | 7 | 3 | \* |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| f. Republican and Democratic elected officials work together on important issues |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 78 | 17 | 3 | 2 | \* |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| g. Elected officials face serious consequences if they engage in misconduct |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 83 | 12 | 3 | 2 | \* |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| h. Judges are not influenced by political parties |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 82 | 13 | 3 | 2 | \* |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |

### **ASK ALL:**

WELLUS Now thinking about how things actually are in the U.S. today, how well does each of the following describe the country? **[SPLIT OVER TWO SCREENS, RANDOMIZE ITEMS IN SAME ORDER AS IMPTUS]**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Very well | Somewhat well | Not too well | Not at all well | No Answer |
| a. Government policies generally reflect the views of most Americans |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 7 | 29 | 43 | 20 | 1 |

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **WELLUS CONTINUED…** |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Very well | Somewhat well | Not too well | Not at all well | No Answer |
| b. The government conducts its work openly and transparently |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 7 | 23 | 40 | 29 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| c. The executive, legislative and judicial branches of government each keep the others from having too much power |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 11 | 44 | 28 | 15 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| d. People who give a lot of money to elected officials do not have more political influence than other people |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 11 | 15 | 29 | 43 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| e. The tone of debate among political leaders is respectful |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 6 | 19 | 37 | 37 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| f. Republican and Democratic elected officials work together on important issues |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 9 | 10 | 33 | 48 | \* |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| g. Elected officials face serious consequences if they engage in misconduct |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 11 | 18 | 37 | 32 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| h. Judges are not influenced by political parties |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 11 | 31 | 34 | 22 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |

**ASK FORM 1 [N=1,157]:**

GOVVOTEREP Thinking about a new bill passed in a state with a Republican governor…

If most people in the state support the bill, but most Republicans in the state oppose it, what should the governor do? **[RANDOMIZE]**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  |
| 72 | Sign the bill |
| 25 | Veto the bill |
| 3 | No Answer |
|  |  |

**ASK FORM 3 [N=1,172]:**

GOVVOTEDEM Thinking about a new bill passed in a state with a Democratic governor…

If most people in the state support the bill, but most Democrats in the state oppose it, what should the governor do? **[RANDOMIZE]**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  |
| 77 | Sign the bill |
| 21 | Veto the bill |
| 2 | No Answer |
|  |  |

**ASK FORM 2 [N=1,172]:**

GOVVOTEGEN Thinking about a new bill passed in a state…

If most people in the state support the bill, but most people who voted for the governor oppose it, what should the governor do? **[RANDOMIZE]**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  |
| 75 | Sign the bill |
| 23 | Veto the bill |
| 2 | No Answer |
|  |  |

**ASK FORM 4 [N=1,155]:**

GOVVOTEGENREV Thinking about a new bill passed in a state…

If most people in the state oppose the bill, but most people who voted for the governor support it, what should the governor do? **[RANDOMIZE]**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  |
| 22 | Sign the bill |
| 77 | Veto the bill |
| 2 | No Answer |

**ASK FORMS 2 AND 4 [N=2,327]:**

POLCRCT Which comes closer to your own views – even if neither is exactly right? **[RANDOMIZE]**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  | Jun 7-  Jul 5  2016 |
| 45 | People need to be more careful about the language they use to avoid offending people with different backgrounds | 39 |
| 55 | Too many people are easily offended these  days over the language that others use | 59 |
| \* | No Answer | 2 |
|  |  |  |

**ASK FORMS 1 AND 3 [N=2,329]:**

POLRULES Which comes closer to your view? **[RANDOMIZE OPTIONS]**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  | Oct 25-  Nov 8  2016 |
| 19 | In politics, it’s sometimes necessary to bend the rules in order to get things done | 28 |
| 79 | In politics, it’s important to respect the rules, even if it sometimes makes it harder to get things done | 70 |
| 1 | No Answer | 2 |
|  |  |  |

**ASK ALL:**

CITIZ\_INFL Which statement comes closer to your views, even if neither is exactly right? **[PROGRAMMING NOTE: RANDOMIZE]**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  | Nov 29-  Dec 12  2016 |
| 52 | Ordinary citizens can do a lot to influence the government in Washington if they are willing to make the effort | 58 |
| 47 | There’s not much ordinary citizens can do to influence the government in Washington | 40 |
| 1 | No Answer | 2 |
|  |  |  |

**ASK ALL:**

VOTING Which statement comes closer to your views, even if neither is exactly right? **[PROGRAMMING NOTE: RANDOMIZE]**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  |
| 61 | Voting gives people like me some say about how government runs things |
| 38 | Voting by people like me doesn’t really affect how government runs things |
| 1 | No Answer |

**ASK ALL:**

IMPTUS2 Now thinking again about the importance of a number of things for the United States.

For each of the following, how important is it for the country that… **[SPLIT OVER TWO SCREENS, RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Very important | Somewhat important | Not too important | Not at all important | No Answer |
| j. The rights and freedoms of all people are respected |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 84 | 11 | 2 | 2 | \* |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| k. Everyone has an equal opportunity to succeed |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 82 | 13 | 2 | 2 | \* |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| l. The views of people who are not in the majority on issues are respected |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 62 | 31 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| m. The military leadership does not publicly express support for one party over the other |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 66 | 23 | 7 | 3 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| n. People are free to peacefully protest |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 74 | 20 | 3 | 3 | \* |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| o. News organizations don’t favor one political party |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 70 | 20 | 5 | 4 | \* |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| p. People agree on basic facts even if they disagree politically |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 60 | 32 | 5 | 2 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| q. News organizations are independent of government influence |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 76 | 16 | 4 | 4 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |

**ASK ALL:**

WELLUS2 Now thinking about how things actually are in the U.S. today…

How well does each of the following describe the country? **[SPLIT OVER TWO SCREENS, RANDOMIZE ITEMS IN SAME ORDER AS IMPTUS2]**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Very well | Somewhat well | Not too well | Not at  all well | No Answer |
| j. The rights and freedoms of all people are respected |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 14 | 33 | 33 | 19 | \* |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| k. Everyone has an equal opportunity to succeed |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 20 | 32 | 29 | 18 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| l. The views of people who are not in the majority on issues are respected |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 10 | 30 | 40 | 19 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| m. The military leadership does not publicly express support for one party over the other |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 25 | 49 | 17 | 7 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| n. People are free to peacefully protest |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 30 | 43 | 18 | 8 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| o. News organizations don’t favor one political party |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 9 | 21 | 31 | 39 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| p. People agree on basic facts even if they disagree politically |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 9 | 24 | 41 | 25 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| q. News organizations are independent of government influence |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 12 | 31 | 29 | 27 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |

**ASK ALL:**

DISTRESULT Thinking about elections for U.S. House of Representatives in the district where you live. What is your impression? **[RANDOMIZE]**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  |
| 33 | They are usually close contests |
| 64 | One candidate usually wins easily |
| 3 | No Answer |

**ASK ALL:**

CNTCT\_RE Suppose you contacted your member of the U.S. House of Representatives with a problem. How likely do you think it is that they would help you address it?

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  |
| 7 | Very likely |
| 30 | Somewhat likely |
| 40 | Not very likely |
| 21 | Not likely at all |
| 1 | No Answer |
|  |  |

**ASK FORMS 1 AND 2 [N=2,329]:**

HOUSESZ **[FORM 1:** As you may know, when the first Congress met, there were 65 members, each of whom represented an average of about 60,000 people. Currently**] [FORM 2:** As you may know,**]** there are 435 members of the House of Representatives in Washington, each of whom represents an average of more than 700,000 people.

Do you think the number of members in the House of Representatives should be… **[RANDOMIZE 1 & 2, KEEP 3 LAST]**

**BASED ON FORM 1 ONLY (N=1,157):**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  |
| 34 | Increased |
| 21 | Decreased |
| 44 | Stay the same |
| 1 | No Answer |
|  |  |

**BASED ON FORM 2 ONLY (N=1,172):**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  |
| 28 | Increased |
| 18 | Decreased |
| 51 | Stay the same |
| 3 | No Answer |
|  |  |

**ASK FORMS 3 AND 4 [N=2,327]:**

SENATESZ As you may know, the Constitution requires that all states have two U.S. senators, regardless of how many people live in the state. **[FORM 3:** When the first Congress met, the state with the largest population had about 10 times as many people as the state with the smallest population. Currently, the state with the largest population has about 66 times as many people as the state with the smallest population.**]**

Which comes closer to your view? **[RANDOMIZE]**

**BASED ON FORM 3 ONLY (N=1,172):**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  |
| 68 | The Constitution should not be changed, and all states should continue to have two senators regardless of the size of their population |
| 29 | The Constitution should be amended so that states with larger populations have more senators than smaller states |
| 2 | No Answer |
|  |  |

### **BASED ON FORM 4 ONLY (N=1,155):**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  |
| 75 | The Constitution should not be changed, and all states should continue to have two senators regardless of the size of their population |
| 24 | The Constitution should be amended so that states with larger populations have more senators than smaller states |
| 1 | No Answer |
|  |  |

### **ASK FORMS 2 AND 4 [N=2,327]:**

### ELECTIMPT Thinking about elections in the United States, how important is each of the following? **[RANDOMIZE]**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Very important | Somewhat important | Not too important | Not at all important | No Answer |
| a. Elections are free from tampering |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 90 | 6 | 3 | 2 | \* |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| b. No INELIGIBLE voters are permitted to vote |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 67 | 19 | 8 | 5 | \* |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| c. No ELIGIBLE voters are prevented from voting |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 83 | 9 | 4 | 3 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **ELECTIMPT CONTINUED…** |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Very important | Somewhat important | Not too important | Not at all important | No Answer |
| d. The way congressional voting districts are determined is fair and reasonable |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 72 | 19 | 5 | 3 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| e. Voters are knowledgeable about candidates and issues |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 78 | 17 | 2 | 2 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=1,172]** |  |  |  |  |  |
| f.F2 There is high voter turnout in presidential elections |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 70 | 20 | 6 | 3 | \* |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **ASK FORM 4 ONLY [N=1,155]** |  |  |  |  |  |
| g.F4 There is high voter turnout in local elections |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 62 | 28 | 7 | 3 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |

### **ASK ALL FORMS 2 AND 4 [N=2,327]:**

ELECTWELL Next still thinking about elections, how well does each of the following describe elections in the United States? **[RANDOMIZE IN SAME ORDER AS ELECTIMPT]**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Very well | Somewhat well | Not too well | Not at  all well | No Answer |
| a. Elections are free from tampering |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 19 | 39 | 24 | 17 | 2 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| b. No INELIGIBLE voters are permitted to vote |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 29 | 32 | 23 | 14 | 2 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| c. No ELIGIBLE voters are prevented from voting |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 29 | 36 | 21 | 12 | 2 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| d. The way congressional voting districts are determined is fair and reasonable |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 12 | 36 | 24 | 25 | 2 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| e. Voters are knowledgeable about candidates and issues |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 11 | 27 | 39 | 21 | 2 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **ELECTWELL CONTINUED…** |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Very well | Somewhat well | Not too well | Not at  all well | No Answer |
| **ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=1,172]** |  |  |  |  |  |
| f.F2 There is high voter turnout in presidential elections |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 24 | 36 | 26 | 13 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **ASK FORM 4 ONLY [N=1,155]** |  |  |  |  |  |
| g.F4 There is high voter turnout in local elections |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 11 | 30 | 37 | 21 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |

**ASK FORMS 1 AND 3 [N=2,329]:**

WINLOSE Thinking about the way things have been going in politics over the last few years on the issues that matter to you, would you say your side has been...

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  | Apr 5-  May 2  2016 |
| 29 | Winning more often than losing | 35 |
| 67 | Losing more often than winning | 60 |
| 4 | No Answer | 5 |
|  |  |  |

**ASK FORMS 1 AND 3 [N=2,329]:**

CITIZENIMPORT Thinking about what it means to be a good citizen, how important is it to… **[SPLIT OVER TWO SCREENS, RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Very important | Somewhat important | Not too important | Not at all important | No Answer |
| a. Vote in elections |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 74 | 17 | 4 | 4 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| b. Follow what is happening in government and politics |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 49 | 42 | 6 | 3 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| c. Volunteer to help others |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 52 | 38 | 7 | 3 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| d. Serve jury duty if called |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 61 | 28 | 6 | 4 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| e. Participate in the U.S. Census every 10 years |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 60 | 27 | 8 | 3 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| f. Pay all the taxes you owe |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 71 | 22 | 4 | 3 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| g. Always follow the law |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 69 | 27 | 3 | 1 | \* |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **CITIZENIMPORT CONTINUED…** |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Very important | Somewhat important | Not too important | Not at all important | No Answer |
| **ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=1,157]** |  |  |  |  |  |
| h.F1 Display the American flag |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 36 | 26 | 21 | 16 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **ASK FORM 3 ONLY [N=1,172]** |  |  |  |  |  |
| i.F3 Know the Pledge of Allegiance |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 50 | 26 | 13 | 11 | \* |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **ASK FORMS 1 AND 3 [N=2,329]** |  |  |  |  |  |
| j. Respect the opinions and beliefs of those you disagree with |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 61 | 31 | 4 | 3 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| k. Protest if you think government actions are wrong |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 45 | 37 | 13 | 4 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |

**ASK IF FORM 1 [N=1,157]:**

CANQUALPRES In general, would you say the quality of the candidates running for president in the last several elections has been…

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  |
| 3 | Very good |
| 38 | Somewhat good |
| 38 | Somewhat bad |
| 20 | Very bad |
| 1 | No Answer |
|  |  |

**ASK IF FORM 2 [N=1,172]:**

CANQUALLCL In general, would you say the quality of the candidates running in local elections (such as for mayor or county government) in the last several elections in your area has been…

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  |
| 14 | Very good |
| 59 | Somewhat good |
| 19 | Somewhat bad |
| 7 | Very bad |
| 1 | No Answer |
|  |  |

**ASK IF FORM 3 [N=1,172]:**

CANQUALCONG In general, would you say the quality of the candidates running for Congress in the last several elections in your district has been…

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  |
| 11 | Very good |
| 53 | Somewhat good |
| 25 | Somewhat bad |
| 8 | Very bad |
| 3 | No Answer |
|  |  |

**ASK IF FORM 4 [N=1,155]:**

CANQUALPOL In general, would you say the quality of the candidates running for political office in the last several years has been…

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  |
| 7 | Very good |
| 40 | Somewhat good |
| 36 | Somewhat bad |
| 16 | Very bad |
| \* | No Answer |
|  |  |

**ASK FORM 1 [N=1,157]:**

CANMTCHPRES Which comes closer to your view of candidates for presidential elections, even if neither is exactly right? **[RANDOMIZE]**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  |
| 65 | I usually feel like there is at least one candidate who shares most of my views |
| 33 | I usually feel like none of the candidates represent my views well |
| 2 | No Answer |
|  |  |

**ASK FORM 2 [N=1,172]:**

CANMTCHLCL Which comes closer to your view of candidates for local elections for positions like mayor or county government, even if neither is exactly right? **[RANDOMIZE]**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  |
| 62 | I usually feel like there is at least one candidate who shares most of my views |
| 36 | I usually feel like none of the candidates represent my views well |
| 3 | No Answer |
|  |  |

**ASK FORM 3 [N=1,172]:**

CANMTCHCONG Which comes closer to your view of candidates for congressional elections, even if neither is exactly right? **[RANDOMIZE]**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  |
| 63 | I usually feel like there is at least one candidate who shares most of my views |
| 34 | I usually feel like none of the candidates represent my views well |
| 3 | No Answer |
|  |  |

**ASK FORM 4 [N=1,155]:**

CANMTCHPOL Which comes closer to your view of candidates for political office, even if neither is exactly right? **[RANDOMIZE]**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  |
| 63 | I usually feel like there is at least one candidate who shares most of my views |
| 36 | I usually feel like none of the candidates represent my views well |
| 1 | No Answer |
|  |  |

**ASK ALL:**

CIVIC\_ENG\_ACT Here’s a list of activities some people do and others do not. Please indicate if you have done each of the following activities. **[RANDOMIZE]**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Yes, in the past year | Yes, in the last 5 years, but not in the past year | No | No Answer |
| a. Attended a political rally, speech or campaign event |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 11 | 18 | 71 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| **NO ITEM b** |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| c. Worked or volunteered for a political party, candidate or campaign |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 5 | 11 | 83 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| **NO ITEMS d THROUGH f** |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| g. Contacted any elected official |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 23 | 18 | 59 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| h. Contributed money to a candidate running for public office or to a group working to elect a candidate |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 14 | 15 | 71 | 1 |

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **CIVIC\_ENG\_ACT CONTINUED…** |  |  |  |  |
|  | Yes, in the past year | Yes, in the last 5 years, but not in the past year | No | No Answer |
| **NO ITEM i** |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| j. Publicly expressed your support for a political campaign on Facebook, Twitter or other social media |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 29 | 13 | 57 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| k. Attended government meetings in your community, such as city or town council meetings |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 10 | 19 | 70 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |

**ASK CONTRIBUTORS (CIVIC\_ENG\_ACT\_h=1) [N=1,032]:**

CONTRHOWMUCH Thinking about the contributions you have made to a candidate running for public office or to a group working to elect a candidate in the past year, would you say all of those contributions added up to…

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  |
| 53 | Less than $100 |
| 31 | $100 to less than $250 |
| 15 | More than $250 |
| \* | No Answer |
|  |  |

**ASK FORM 1 AND 4 [N=2,312]:**

SHAREVIEWS Which of the following statements best describes you?

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  | Mar 19-  Apr 29  2014[[6]](#footnote-6) |
| 36 | Most of my close friends share my views on government and politics | 35 |
| 40 | Some of my close friends share my views, but many do not | 39 |
| 23 | I don’t really know what most of my close friends think about government and politics | 26 |
| 1 | No Answer | \* |
|  |  |  |

**ASK FORM 2 AND 3 AND IF GETS NEWS DIGITALLY [N=2,279]:**

DIGWDOG\_3 Thinking about the news that your friends, family and acquaintances post or send you online about political and social issues, overall, do you think the mix of news you get from them… **[RANDOMIZE 1 & 2; KEEP 3 LAST]**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  | Mar 13-  Mar 27  2017 | Jan 12-  Feb 8  2016 |
| 28 | Represents just one side | 40 | 35 |
| 36 | Represents more than one side | 29 | 31 |
| 35 | They don’t send me news about political and social issues | 31 | 33 |
| 1 | No Answer | \* | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |

**PLANS TO VOTE IN PRIMARY (PLANTOP) RESULTS NOT SHOWN**

**ASK ALL:**

PARTY In politics today, do you consider yourself a…

**ASK IF INDEP/SOMETHING ELSE (PARTY=3 or 4 or REFUSED) [N=1,707]:**

PARTYLN As of today do you lean more to…

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Republican | Democrat | Independent | Something else | No answer | Lean  Rep | Lean  Dem |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 23 | 33 | 29 | 14 | 3 | 18 | 23 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

**ASK REPUBLICANS (PARTY=1) [N=1,225]:**

IDENTITYREP How much of a reason is each of the following for WHY YOU ARE A REPUBLICAN? **[RANDOMIZE]**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Major reason | Minor reason | Not a reason | No Answer |
| a. I think the Republican Party’s policies are good for the country |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 76 | 20 | 4 | \* |
| Apr 5-May 2, 2016 | 66 | 26 | 7 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| b. I think the Democratic Party’s policies are harmful to the country |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 71 | 17 | 11 | 1 |
| Apr 5-May 2, 2016 | 69 | 19 | 10 | 2 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| c. I have a lot in common with people who are Republicans |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 45 | 31 | 24 | 1 |
| Apr 5-May 2, 2016 | 38 | 36 | 25 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| **IDENTITYREP CONTINUED…** |  |  |  |  |
|  | Major reason | Minor reason | Not a reason | No Answer |
| d. I don’t have much in common with people who are Democrats |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 37 | 30 | 32 | 1 |
| Apr 5-May 2, 2016 | 25 | 31 | 42 | 2 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| e. Ever since I can remember, I’ve been a Republican |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 25 | 19 | 55 | 1 |
| Apr 5-May 2, 2016 | 23 | 23 | 53 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |

**ASK DEMOCRATS (PARTY=2) [N=1,724]:**

IDENTITYDEM How much of a reason is each of the following for WHY YOU ARE A DEMOCRAT? **[RANDOMIZE]**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Major reason | Minor reason | Not a reason | No Answer |
| a. I think the Democratic Party’s policies are good for the country |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 72 | 22 | 5 | 1 |
| Apr 5-May 2, 2016 | 68 | 25 | 6 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| b. I think the Republican Party’s policies are harmful to the country |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 63 | 21 | 15 | 1 |
| Apr 5-May 2, 2016 | 62 | 21 | 14 | 3 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| c. I have a lot in common with people who are Democrats |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 51 | 30 | 18 | 1 |
| Apr 5-May 2, 2016 | 42 | 34 | 22 | 2 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| d. I don’t have much in common with people who are Republicans |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 36 | 30 | 34 | \* |
| Apr 5-May 2, 2016 | 30 | 31 | 36 | 3 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| e. Ever since I can remember, I’ve been a Democrat |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 37 | 22 | 41 | \* |
| Apr 5-May 2, 2016 | 35 | 26 | 38 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |

**ASK REPUBLICAN LEANERS (PARTYLN=1) [N=753]:**

IDENTITYLN1R How much of a reason is each of the following for WHY YOU LEAN TOWARD THE REPUBLICAN PARTY? **[RANDOMIZE]**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Major reason | Minor reason | Not a reason | No Answer |
| a. I think the Republican Party’s policies are good for the country |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 42 | 40 | 19 | \* |
| Apr 5-May 2, 2016 | 31 | 49 | 18 | 2 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| b. I think the Democratic Party’s policies are harmful to the country |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 58 | 21 | 21 | \* |
| Apr 5-May 2, 2016 | 55 | 23 | 20 | 2 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Major reason | Minor reason | Not a reason | No Answer |
| c. I have a lot in common with people who are Republicans |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 21 | 37 | 42 | \* |
| Apr 5-May 2, 2016 | 19 | 37 | 43 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| d. I don’t have much in common with people who are Democrats |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 29 | 28 | 43 | \* |
| Apr 5-May 2, 2016 | 19 | 31 | 49 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |

**ASK REPUBLICAN LEANERS (PARTYLN=1) [N=753]:**IDENTITYLN2R And thinking about why you lean toward the Republican Party but choose not to identify as a Republican…

How much of a reason is each of the following for WHY YOU DO NOT IDENTIFY AS A REPUBLICAN? **[RANDOMIZE]**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Major reason | Minor reason | Not a reason | No Answer |
| a. I disagree with the Republican Party on some important issues |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 37 | 37 | 25 | 1 |
| Apr 5-May 2, 2016 | 40 | 38 | 20 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| b. I’m frustrated with the Republican Party’s leaders |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 44 | 25 | 30 | 1 |
| Apr 5-May 2, 2016 | 54 | 21 | 24 | 1 |

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **IDENTITYLN2R CONTINUED…** |  |  |  |  |
|  | Major reason | Minor reason | Not a reason | No Answer |
| c. I don’t care enough about politics to identify with a party |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 22 | 19 | 59 | \* |
| Apr 5-May 2, 2016 | 13 | 21 | 64 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| d. I’m just not comfortable being labeled a Republican |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 25 | 26 | 48 | 1 |
| Apr 5-May 2, 2016 | 20 | 26 | 53 | 2 |
|  |  |  |  |  |

**ASK DEMOCRATIC LEANERS (PARTYLN=2) [N=853]:**

IDENTITYLN1D How much of a reason is each of the following for WHY YOU LEAN TOWARD THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY? **[RANDOMIZE]**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Major reason | Minor reason | Not a reason | No Answer |
| a. I think the Democratic Party’s policies are good for the country |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 34 | 41 | 25 | \* |
| Apr 5-May 2, 2016 | 34 | 40 | 25 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| b. I think the Republican Party’s policies are harmful to the country |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 57 | 21 | 22 | \* |
| Apr 5-May 2, 2016 | 50 | 24 | 25 | \* |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| c. I have a lot in common with people who are Democrats |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 26 | 43 | 31 | \* |
| Apr 5-May 2, 2016 | 18 | 38 | 43 | \* |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| d. I don’t have much in common with people who are Republicans |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 30 | 33 | 36 | 1 |
| Apr 5-May 2, 2016 | 18 | 28 | 54 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |

**ASK DEMOCRATIC LEANERS (PARTYLN=2) [N=853]:**

IDENTITYLN2D And thinking about why you lean toward the Democratic Party but choose not to identify as a Democrat…

How much of a reason is each of the following for WHY YOU DO NOT IDENTIFY AS A DEMOCRAT? **[RANDOMIZE]**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Major reason | Minor reason | Not a reason | No Answer |
| a. I disagree with the Democratic Party on some important issues |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 38 | 33 | 29 | \* |
| Apr 5-May 2, 2016 | 32 | 35 | 32 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| b. I’m frustrated with the Democratic Party’s leaders |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 38 | 29 | 32 | 1 |
| Apr 5-May 2, 2016 | 28 | 33 | 39 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| c. I don’t care enough about politics to identify with a party |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 18 | 23 | 58 | \* |
| Apr 5-May 2, 2016 | 17 | 19 | 63 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| d. I’m just not comfortable being labeled a Democrat |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 | 24 | 30 | 47 | \* |
| Apr 5-May 2, 2016 | 23 | 26 | 50 | \* |
|  |  |  |  |  |

The next few questions are a little different. For each, 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.

**[RANDOMIZE KNOWCIV1-HOUCONTR WITH SENCONTR AND HOUCONTR ALWAYS NEXT TO EACH OTHER]**

**ASK ALL:**

KNOWCIV1 In the case of a tied vote in the U.S. Senate, is the deciding vote cast by… **[RANDOMIZE]**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  |
| 54 | The vice president *(Correct)* |
| 9 | The president |
| 24 | The Senate majority leader |
| 8 | The Senate parliamentarian |
| 7 | No Answer |
|  |  |

**ASK ALL:**

KNOWCIV2 As you may know, a filibuster in the U.S. Senate can be used to prevent legislation from coming to a vote. Of the 100 U.S. senators, how many votes are needed to end a filibuster?

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  |
| 32 | 51 |
| 41 | 60 *(Correct)* |
| 10 | 67 |
| 7 | 70 |
| 10 | No Answer |
|  |  |

**ASK ALL:**

KNOWCIV3 How is the number of terms a president can serve determined? **[RANDOMIZE]**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  |
| 25 | Article II of the U.S. Constitution |
| 6 | Custom and precedent |
| 56 | The 22nd Amendment of the Constitution *(Correct)* |
| 3 | There is no limit to the number of terms a president can serve |
| 10 | No Answer |
|  |  |

**NO ITEM KNOWCIV4**

**ASK ALL:**

KNOWCIV5 The U.S. Electoral College… **[RANDOMIZE]**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  |
| 5 | Trains those who run for political office |
| 7 | Supervises the presidential debates |
| 6 | Is another name for the U.S. Congress |
| 76 | Is an assembly that formally elects the president *(Correct)* |
| 6 | No Answer |
|  |  |

**ASK ALL:**

KNOWCIV6 Which of the following rights is guaranteed by the FIRST Amendment to the Constitution? **[RANDOMIZE]**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018 |  |
| 86 | The right of free speech *(Correct)* |
| 6 | The right to bear arms |
| 3 | The right to privacy |
| 3 | The right to remain silent |
| 2 | No Answer |

**[RANDOMIZE SENCONTR AND HOUCONTR]**

**ASK ALL:**

SENCONTR Do you happen to know which political party currently has a majority in the U.S. Senate? **[RANDOMIZE OPTIONS 1 AND 2; PRESENT REP/DEM PARTY IN SAME ORDER FOR SENCONTR, HOUCONTR]**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018[[7]](#footnote-7) |  | Jun 7-  Jul 5  2016 |
| 83 | Republican Party *(Correct)* | 56 |
| 13 | Democratic Party | 14 |
| - | Don’t know | 28 |
| 4 | No Answer | 2 |
|  |  |  |

**[RANDOMIZE SENCONTR AND HOUCONTR]**

**ASK ALL:**

HOUCONTR Do you happen to know which political party has a majority in the U.S. House of Representatives? **[RANDOMIZE OPTIONS 1 AND 2; PRESENT REP/DEM PARTY IN SAME ORDER FOR SENCONTR, HOUCONTR]**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Jan 29-  Feb 13  2018[[8]](#footnote-8) |  | Jun 7-  Jul 5  2016 |
| 82 | Republican Party *(Correct)* | 58 |
| 14 | Democratic Party | 10 |
| - | Don’t know | 30 |
| 5 | No Answer | 2 |
|  |  |  |

1. The W24.5 Mode Study survey was administered by web and phone. Results reported here are from web mode only. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. SATISF in the W18 survey was asked to a random half of the sample assigned to Form 2 [N=2,366]. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. The W24.5 Mode Study survey was administered by web and phone. Results reported here are from web mode only. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. In Wave 8 survey and in previous surveys, question was worded: “If the elections for U.S. Congress were being held TODAY, would you vote for [RANDOMIZE: “the Republican Party’s candidate” OR “the Democratic Party’s candidate”] for Congress in your district? [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
5. In Wave 1 (Mar 19-Apr 29, 2014), 407 non- Internet panelists were surveyed by phone. [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
6. In Wave 1 (Mar 19-Apr 29, 2014), 407 non- Internet panelists were surveyed by phone. [↑](#footnote-ref-6)
7. The Don’t know response was not included for question SENCONTR in the Wave 31 survey. [↑](#footnote-ref-7)
8. The Don’t know response was not included for question HOUCONTR in the Wave 31 survey. [↑](#footnote-ref-8)