

# BROOKINGS

# PRRI/Brookings 2016 Immigration Survey Total = 2,607 (2,146 Online, 461 Telephone) April 4 – May 2, 2016

Q.1 Do you think things in this country are generally going in the right direction, or do you feel things have gotten pretty seriously off on the wrong track?

				Don't
				know/
	Right	Wrong	Mixed	Refused
	<u>direction</u>	<u>track</u>	<u>(VOL.)</u>	<u>(VOL.)</u>
May 2016	28	72	-	1=100
Dec. 2013	26	65	-	8=100
Sept. 2012	34	57	5	4=100
July 2011	21	71	-	8=100
May 2011	29	65	-	7=100

REGIST

These days, many people are so busy they can't find time to register to vote, or move around so often they don't get a chance to re-register. Are you NOW registered to vote in your precinct or election district or haven't you been able to register so far?

- 79 Yes, registered
- 18 No, not registered
- 3 Not sure if registered
- \* Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
- 100 Total

#### IF REGISTERED (REGIST=1), ASK [N=2,185]:

- Q.2 And how often would you say you vote in primary elections--that is, the elections in which a party selects their nominee to run in a general election?
  - 40 Always
  - Nearly always
  - 16 Part of the time
  - 7 Seldom
  - 11 Never
  - \* Don't know/Refused
  - 100 Total

### IF REGISTERED (REGIST=1), ASK [N=2,185]:

- Q.3 And thinking about this year, have you participated in a primary election or caucus in your state?
  - 42 Yes
  - 35 No
  - 23 My state has not held a primary election/caucus yet
  - \* Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
  - 100 Total
- Q.4 Thinking about some issues that are important to people, how important are the following issues to you personally? For each issue, please say whether it is a critical issue to you, one among many important issues, or not that important compared to other issues. [RANDOMIZE LIST]
- a. Growing gap between rich and poor

May	Oct.	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	
43	48	Critical issue
41	38	One among many important issues
15	13	Not that important an issue
<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	Total

#### b. Crime

May	Oct.	
<u>2016</u>	<u> 2015</u>	
48	53	Critical issue
45	39	One among many important issues
7	8	Not that important an issue
*	<u>1</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	Total

#### c. Race relations

May	Oct.	
2016	<u>2015</u>	
36	39	Critical issue
45	42	One among many important issues
19	19	Not that important an issue
*	<u>1</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	Total

# d. Jobs and unemployment

May	Oct.	Dec.	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2013</u>	
55	60	62	Critical issue
41	35	29	One among many important issues
3	4	8	Not that important an issue
*	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	100	Total

# e. Immigration

May	Oct.	Dec.	
2016	<u> 2015</u>	<u>2013</u>	
43	46	34	Critical issue
44	40	39	One among many important issues
12	13	24	Not that important an issue
*	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	100	Total

## f. Cost of education

May	Oct.	
<u>2016</u>	<u> 2015</u>	
44	49	Critical issue
46	42	One among many important issues
10	8	Not that important an issue
*	<u>1</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	Total

#### g. Terrorism

May	Oct.	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	
69	62	Critical issue
27	29	One among many important issues
4	8	Not that important an issue
*	<u>1</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	Total

#### h. Trade agreements with other countries

- 26 Critical issue
- One among many important issues
- Not that important an issue
- 1 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
- 100 Total
- Q.5 Since the 1950s, do you think American culture and way of life has mostly changed for the better, or has it mostly changed for the worse?

May	Oct.	Dec.	Feb.	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2013</u>	
49	46	44	40	Mostly changed for the better
50	53	46	54	Mostly changed for the worse
-	-	7	3	Both/Neither (VOL.)
<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	100	100	Total

PARTY In politics TODAY, do you consider yourself a Republican, Democrat, or independent?

- 27 Republican
- 34 Democrat
- 36 Independent
- 2 Other [SPECIFY]
- <u>2</u> Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
- 100 Total

## IF INDEPENDENT OR OTHER [PARTY=3,4], ASK [N=988]:

PARTYLN As of today do you lean more towards the Republican Party or more towards the Democratic Party?

- 35 Republican
- 41 Democrat
- 19 Other [SPECIFY]
- <u>4</u> Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
- 100 Total

# IF IDENTIFY AS DEMOCRAT OR LEAN DEMOCRAT (PARTY=2 OR PARTYLN=2) AND REGISTERED TO VOTE (REGIST =1), ASK [N=1,164]:

Q.6 Which of the following Democratic candidates would you most like to see as the Democratic Party's 2016 nominee for president? **[RANDOMIZE LIST]** 

May	April	Jan.	Dec.	Nov.	Oct.	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	$2015^{1}$	<u>2015</u>	
50	46	49	52	64	49	Hillary Clinton
-	-	-	-	-	21	Joe Biden
44	47	35	31	28	24	Bernie Sanders
-	-	3	4	3	1	Martin O'Malley
-	-	-	-	-	1	Jim Webb
4	1	2	1	1	2	Other (SPECIFY) (VOL.)
<u>2</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>1</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	100	100	100	100	Total

<sup>1</sup> Results for November 2015 do not include independents who lean towards the Democratic Party.

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# IF REGISTERED TO VOTE (REGIST=1) AND VOTING FOR CLINTON OR SANDERS (Q6 = 1,2), ASK [N=1,101]:

Q.7 If [IF Q6=1 INSERT: Bernie Sanders; IF Q6=2 INSERT: Hillary Clinton] becomes the Democratic nominee, how likely are you to support [IF Q6=1 INSERT: him; IF Q6=2, INSERT: her] in the general election?

Clinton	Sanders	
voters	voters	
supporting	supporting	
Sanders in	Clinton in	
general	general	
<u>election</u>	<u>election</u>	
52	36	Very likely
27	28	Somewhat likely
11	17	Not too likely
9	19	Not at all likely
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	Total

# IF IDENTIFY AS REPUBLICAN OR LEAN REPUBLICAN (PARTY=1 OR PARTYLN=1) AND REGISTERED TO VOTE (REGIST =1), ASK [N=886]:

Q.8 Which of the following Republican candidates would you most like to see as the Republican Party's 2016 nominee for president? [RANDOMIZE LIST]

May	April	Jan.	Dec.	Nov.	Oct.	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	$2015^{2}$	<u>2015</u>	
-	-	3	4	0	3	Rand Paul
29	31	16	11	8	5	Ted Cruz
-	-	10	12	9	10	Marco Rubio
-	-	-	-	-	3	Scott Walker
-	-	4	9	9	10	Jeb Bush
-	-	2	3	4	3	Chris Christie
38	37	32	23	23	28	Donald Trump
-	-	13	16	25	14	Ben Carson
-	-	2	2	3	11	Carly Fiorina
20	23	2	2	4	3	John Kasich
-	-	1	2	4	5	Mike Huckabee
-	-	-	-	-	1	Bobby Jindal
-	-	-	-	-	1	Rick Santorum
10	2	*	2	*	1	Other (SPECIFY) (VOL.)
<u>2</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>1</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	100	100	100	100	Total

 $^{2}$  Results for November 2015 do not include independents  $\,$  who lean towards the Republican Party.

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# IF REGISTERED TO VOTE (REGIST=1) AND VOTING FOR CRUZ, TRUMP, OR KASICH (Q8 = 1,2,3), ASK [N=799]:

Q.9 If [IF Q8=1,3 INSERT: Donald Trump; IF Q8=2, INSERT someone other than Donald Trump] becomes the Republican nominee, how likely are you to support [IF Q8=1,3 INSERT: him; IF Q8=2, INSERT: that candidate] in the general election?

	Trump	
Cruz,	voters	
Kasich	supporting	
voters	candidate	
supporting	other than	
Trump in	Trump in	
general	general	
<u>election</u>	<u>election</u>	
30	45	Very likely
21	30	Somewhat likely
21	9	Not too likely
27	15	Not at all likely
<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	Total

#### **ASK ALL:**

Q.10 Now we'd like your views on some political leaders and groups. Please say whether your overall opinion of each of the following is very favorable, mostly unfavorable, or very unfavorable. **[RANDOMIZE LIST]** 

# a. Hillary Clinton

						DK/
	Very	Mostly	Mostly	Very	Have not	Refused
	<u>favorable</u>	<u>favorable</u>	<u>unfavorable</u>	<u>unfavorable</u>	heard of	<u>(VOL.)</u>
May 2016	16	28	17	37	1	1=100
April 2016	17	23	20	34	*	6=100
Jan. 2016	19	25	17	34	*	5=100
Nov. 2015	19	28	16	30	2	4=100
Oct. 2015	15	31	17	34	2	1=100
Oct. 2013	20	37	14	21	6	3=100

#### b. Bernie Sanders

						DK/
	Very	Mostly	Mostly	Very	Have not	Refused
	<u>favorable</u>	<u>favorable</u>	<u>unfavorable</u>	<u>unfavorable</u>	heard of	<u>(VOL.)</u>
May 2016	19	32	20	23	3	1=100
April 2016	18	29	21	20	4	8=100
Jan. 2016	15	27	23	19	5	11=100
Oct. 2015	14	23	18	16	26	3=100

## c. Donald Trump

						DK/
	Very	Mostly	Mostly	Very	Have not	Refused
	<u>favorable</u>	<u>favorable</u>	<u>unfavorable</u>	<u>unfavorable</u>	heard of	<u>(VOL.)</u>
May 2016	10	18	16	53	1	1=100
April 2016	8	16	18	52	*	6=100
Jan. 2016	12	19	22	42	*	5=100
Nov. 2015	11	16	21	44	2	6=100
Oct. 2015	9	21	21	45	3	1=100

#### d. Ted Cruz

					DK/
Very	Mostly	Mostly	Very	Have not	Refused
<u>favorable</u>	<u>favorable</u>	<u>unfavorable</u>	<u>unfavorable</u>	<u>heard of</u>	<u>(VOL.)</u>
7	24	29	31	7	2=100
7	22	28	29	4	10=100
9	29	24	21	6	11=100
6	15	19	22	28	9=100
4	16	24	27	27	2=100
6	13	17	16	45	3=100
	<u>favorable</u> 7 7 9 6 4	favorable         favorable           7         24           7         22           9         29           6         15           4         16	favorable         favorable         unfavorable           7         24         29           7         22         28           9         29         24           6         15         19           4         16         24	favorable         favorable         unfavorable         unfavorable           7         24         29         31           7         22         28         29           9         29         24         21           6         15         19         22           4         16         24         27	favorable         favorable         unfavorable         unfavorable         heard of           7         24         29         31         7           7         22         28         29         4           9         29         24         21         6           6         15         19         22         28           4         16         24         27         27

# e. John Kasich

- 7 Very favorable
- 29 Mostly favorable
- 25 Mostly unfavorable
- 14 Very unfavorable
- Have not heard of
- <u>2</u> Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
- 100 Total

# f. Ronald Reagan

32	Very favorable
32	very lavorable

- 34 Mostly favorable
- 18 Mostly unfavorable
- 12 Very unfavorable
- 3 Have not heard of
- <u>2</u> Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
- 100 Total

# g. The Republican Party

						DK/
	Very	Mostly	Mostly	Very	Have not	Refused
	<u>favorable</u>	<u>favorable</u>	<u>unfavorable</u>	<u>unfavorable</u>	heard of	(VOL.)
May 2016	7	28	29	30	3	2=100
Aug. 2015	9	27	34	21	1	9=100
Aug. 2014	11	33	29	19	*	7=100
Oct. 2013	7	28	27	28	5	4=100
Sept. 2012	14	30	25	25	*	5=100
Aug. 2012	11	33	26	23	-	7=100

# h. The Democratic Party

						DK/
	Very	Mostly	Mostly	Very	Have not	Refused
	<u>favorable</u>	<u>favorable</u>	<u>unfavorable</u>	<u>unfavorable</u>	<u>heard of</u>	<u>(VOL.)</u>
May 2016	15	35	22	23	3	2=100
Aug. 2015	17	32	26	18	*	7=100
Aug. 2014	16	34	26	18	*	6=100
Oct. 2013	13	31	25	22	5	4=100
Sept. 2012	19	34	22	21	*	5=100
Aug. 2012	17	34	23	20	-	6=100

## i. Bill Clinton

						DK/
	Very	Mostly	Mostly	Very	Have not	Refused
	<u>favorable</u>	<u>favorable</u>	<u>unfavorable</u>	<u>unfavorable</u>	heard of	(VOL.)
May 2016	19	37	20	22	1	1=100
Aug. 2012	28	42	17	9	-	4=100
Sept. 2010	29	40	17	11	-	3=100

Turning to another subject...

# Q.11 Do you think the current immigration system in the United States is ... **[LIST IN ORDER]**

		Working			
		but with	Broken but		DK/
	Generally	some major	working in	Completely	Refused
	<u>working</u>	<u>problems</u>	some areas	<u>broken</u>	<u>(VOL.)</u>
May 2016	6	32	36	26	1=100
Nov. 2014	5	21	38	33	3=100
Nov. 2013	8	24	31	34	4=100
Feb. 2013	7	29	40	23	2=100
Aug. 2011	5	35	38	19	3=100
March 2010	7	34	35	21	3=100

Q.12 Which statement comes closest to your view about how the immigration system should deal with immigrants who are currently living in the U.S. illegally? The immigration system should... (FORM 1 READ IN ORDER 1-3; FORM 2 READ IN REVERSE ORDER 3-1)

	Allow them a				
	way to	Allow them to			
	become	become			
	citizens	permanent			
	provided they	legal			Don't know/
	meet certain	residents, but	Identify and	None of these	Refused
	<u>requirements</u>	<u>not citizens</u>	<u>deport them</u>	<u>(VOL.)</u>	<u>(VOL.)</u>
May 2016	61	17	21	-	1=100
Dec. 2015	63	15	18	2	2=100
Nov. 2015	64	14	16	1	5=100
Oct. 2015	66	13	19	1	2=100
Sept. 2015	63	12	21	1	3=100
Late Aug. 2015	63	16	19	1	2=100
Early Aug. 2015	60	16	19	2	3=100
July 2015	64	14	17	2	3=100
Late June 2015	64	15	16	1	4=100
Early June 2015	61	17	18	2	3=100
May 2015	60	14	21	1	3=100
Feb. 2015	59	19	18	1	3=100
Dec. 2014	65	18	15	1	1=100
Late Nov. 2014	58	19	20	1	2=100
Early Nov. 2014	59	16	22	1	3=100
Oct. 2014	60	17	20	1	2=100
Sept. 2014	57	17	23	1	2=100
Aug. 2014	57	19	21	1	2=100
Late July 2014	58	17	22	1	2=100
Early July 2014	58	18	19	2	4=100
June 2014	61	16	20	1	2=100
May 2014	64	16	17	1	2=100
April 2014	61	16	20	1	2=100
Nov. 2013	63	14	18	1	4=100
Aug. 2013	63	12	19	1	4=100
Feb. 2013	63	14	21	1	1=100

Q.13 Now, we would like to get your views on some issues that are being discussed in the country today. Do you favor or oppose the following... **[RANDOMIZE LIST]** 

a. Increasing the tax rate on Americans earning more than  $\$250,\!000$  a year

	Strongly			Strongly	DK/
	<u>favor</u>	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>oppose</u>	<u>Refused</u>
May 2016	33	36	22	9	1=100
April 2016	27	32	21	14	5=100
Aug. 2014	26	31	24	13	5=100
June 2013	29	34	22	12	3=100
Sept. 2012	33	28	19	17	4=100

# b. Allowing gay and lesbian couples to marry legally

	Strongly			Strongly	DK/
	<u>favor</u>	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>oppose</u>	<u>Refused</u>
May 2016	32	30	18	18	2=100
Dec. 2015	22	30	19	19	10=100
Nov. 2015	32	24	17	20	8=100
Late Oct. 2015	27	28	19	19	6=100
Early Oct. 2015	31	29	17	22	1=100
Sept. 2015	28	27	16	21	7=100
Late Aug. 2015	26	29	15	20	9=100
Early Aug. 2015	28	25	16	23	8=100
July 2015	24	28	16	24	8=100
June 2015	27	28	18	19	9=100
May 2015	26	27	20	19	9=100
Dec. 2014	25	32	18	18	7=100
Nov. 2014	25	29	20	19	7=100
Oct. 2014	24	32	18	17	9=100
Sept. 2014	22	33	18	19	8=100
Late Aug. 2014	24	25	20	22	9=100
Early Aug. 2014	28	28	17	20	7=100
July 2014	24	29	18	20	10=100
June 2014	25	28	14	26	7=100
May 2014	26	24	19	21	10=100
April 2014	27	27	18	22	5=100
Dec. 2013	22	31	21	20	5=100
Oct. 2013	25	27	19	25	4=100
June 2013	22	30	21	20	7=100
May 2013	24	28	22	21	5=100
March 2013	23	27	18	21	10=100
Feb. 2013	25	27	19	23	7=100
Sept. 2012	24	25	18	27	7=100
Aug. 2012	24	25	17	28	6=100
June 2012	25	24	18	26	7=100
March 2012	22	30	19	25	5=100
Oct. 2011	24	24	20	26	6=100
Aug. 2011	19	29	21	25	6=100
July 2011	18	29	21	26	6=100

c. Building a wall along the U.S. border with Mexico	c.	Building	a wall	along th	e U.S.	border	with l	Mexico
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- 16 Strongly favor
- 25 Favor
- 27 Oppose
- 31 Strongly oppose
- 1 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
- 100 Total
- d. Raising taxes on wealthy people and corporations to spend more on education and the nation's infrastructure
  - 39 Strongly favor
  - 36 Favor
  - 17 Oppose
  - 7 Strongly oppose
  - 1 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
  - 100 Total
- e. Passing a law to prevent Syrian refugees from entering the U.S.
  - 20 Strongly favor
  - 24 Favor
  - 38 Oppose
  - 17 Strongly oppose
  - <u>2</u> Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
  - 100 Total
- f. Temporarily banning Muslims from other countries from entering the U.S.
  - 17 Strongly favor
  - 23 Favor
  - 34 Oppose
  - 24 Strongly oppose
  - <u>2</u> Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

Q.14 Do you think the country's economic recession is over, or do you think the economy is still in a recession?

May	Oct.	Aug.	April	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	$2012^{3}$	
29	27	21	21	Recession is over
70	72	72	76	Still in a recession
<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>4</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	100	100	Total

Thinking about your own community and the place where you live...

Q.15 Do you live in a community with many new immigrants, some new immigrants, only a few new immigrants, or almost no new immigrants?

May	Feb.	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2013</u>	
15	24	Many new immigrants
32	23	Some new immigrants
26	23	Only a few new immigrants
26	27	Almost no new immigrants
<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	Total

Now a few questions about immigrants who are now coming to the U.S.

- Q.16 In general, how well do you think each of the following describes immigrants coming to the U.S. today? [RANDOMIZE LIST]
- a. They are hardworking

May	Aug.	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2011</u>	
36	44	Very well
47	43	Somewhat well
12	7	Not too well
3	3	Not at all well
<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	Total

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> ABC News/Washington Post Poll, April 2012.

# b. They make an effort to learn English

May	Aug.	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2011</u>	
13	15	Very well
38	32	Somewhat well
31	30	Not too well
17	21	Not at all well
<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	Total

# c. They mostly keep to themselves

Aug.	
<u>2011</u>	
26	Very well
46	Somewhat well
15	Not too well
8	Not at all well
<u>5</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total
	2011 26 46 15 8 <u>5</u>

# d. They have strong family values

May 2016	Aug. 2011	
		"
34	42	Very well
49	38	Somewhat well
13	9	Not too well
2	4	Not at all well
<u>3</u>	<u>6</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	Total

## e. They increase crime in local communities

10 Very well
30 Somewhat well
40 Not too well
18 Not at all well
3 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100 Total

# Q.17 Which of the following statements comes closest to your own view – even if neither is exactly right? **[ROTATE OPTIONS]**

a.

		Immigrants today			
	Immigrants today	are a burden on			
	strengthen our	our country		Neither/	
	country because	because they take		Both	Don't know/
	of their hard	our jobs, housing	Other	equally	Refused
	work and talents	and health care	[SPECIFY]	(VOL.)	<u>(VOL.)</u>
May 2016	47	43	2	6	2=100
Oct. 2015	47	46	4	2	2=100
Feb. 2015	58	31	-	7	4=100
Dec. 2014	60	31	-	6	4=100
Nov. 2014	57	35	-	5	3=100
Oct. 2014	54	35	-	7	4=100
Sept. 2014	56	35	-	7	3=100
Aug. 2014	51	38	-	7	4=100
Late July 2014	49	42	-	5	2=100
Early July 2014	55	35	-	6	4=100
June 2014	57	35	-	6	2=100
May 2014	58	32	-	6	3=100
April 2014	54	38	-	5	3=100
Sept. 2010	44	48	-	5	3=100
March 2010	45	43	-	7	5=100

b.

Free trade agreements with other countries are mostly helpful because they open markets for U.S. companies and allow Americans to buy goods more cheaply

Free trade agreements with other countries are mostly harmful because they send jobs overseas and drive down wages

<sup>2</sup> Other [SPECIFY]

<sup>1</sup> Neither/Both equally (VOL.)

<sup>&</sup>lt;u>3</u> Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

 $<sup>1\</sup>overline{00}$  Total

#### **ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=1,256]:**

Q.18 All in all, do you think immigrants coming to this country today mostly take jobs away from American citizens, or do they mostly take jobs Americans don't want?

May	Feb.	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2013</u>	
25	27	Take jobs away
68	64	Take unwanted jobs
2	-	Other [SPECIFY]
3	4	Both/Neither (VOL.)
<u>2</u>	<u>5</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	Total

### **ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=1,351]:**

Q.19 All in all, do you think illegal immigrants mostly help the economy by providing low cost labor, or mostly hurt the economy by driving down wages for many Americans?

May	Feb.	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2013</u>	
39	36	Help by providing low-cost labor
54	56	Hurt by driving down wages
2	-	Other [SPECIFY]
2	4	Both/Neither (VOL.)
<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	Total

#### **ASK ALL:**

Q.20 Over the last five or six years, do you think the number of illegal immigrants who were deported back to their home countries has increased, decreased or stayed about the same?

May	Feb.	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2013</u>	
25	28	Increased
26	18	Decreased
46	42	Stayed about the same
<u>2</u>	<u>12</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	Total

# ROTATE QUESTION BLOCK Q21 & Q22 AND Q23 & Q24

Q.21 How much, if at all, do you think immigrants today are changing your COMMUNITY and way of life? Would you say a lot, a little or not at all?

May	Feb.	Aug.	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2011</u>	
22	32	38	A lot
50	46	47	A little
26	21	14	Not at all
<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	100	Total

# IF A LOT OR A LITTLE [Q.21=1,2], ASK [N=1,897]:

Q.22 And all in all, do you think this is a good thing or a bad thing?

May	Feb.	Aug.	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2011</u>	
50	54	52	Good thing
49	37	41	Bad thing
-	4	4	Depends (VOL.)
<u>1</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	100	Total

Q.23 How much, if at all, do you think that immigrants today are changing AMERICAN SOCIETY and way of life? Would you say a lot, a little or not at all?

May	Feb.	Aug.	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2011</u>	
39	46	53	A lot
49	45	39	A little
11	8	8	Not at all
<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	100	Total

# IF A LOT OR A LITTLE [Q.23=1,2], ASK [N=2,325]:

Q.24 And all in all, do you think this is a good thing or a bad thing?

May	Feb.	Aug.	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2011</u>	
48	50	51	Good thing
50	41	42	Bad thing
-	5	3	Depends (VOL.)
<u>2</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	100	Total

Q.25 Thinking about immigrants from different parts of the world that are coming to the U.S. ... In recent years, do you think the number of immigrants coming from the following places has been too high, too low, about the right amount, or should immigrants from the following places not be allowed to come to the U.S. at all?

[RANDOMIZE LIST]

- a. Immigrants from Europe
  - 12 Too high
  - 14 Too low
  - 67 About the right amount
  - 4 Should not be allowed to come at all
  - <u>3</u> Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
  - 100 Total
- b. Immigrants from the Middle East
  - 33 Too high
  - 8 Too low
  - 44 About the right amount
  - 12 Should not be allowed to come at all
  - <u>3</u> Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
  - 100 Total
- c. Immigrants from China, India and other parts of Asia
  - 24 Too high
  - 7 Too low
  - About the right amount
  - 5 Should not be allowed to come at all
  - 2 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
  - 100 Total
- d. Immigrants from Mexico and Central America
  - 46 Too high
  - 4 Too low
  - 40 About the right amount
  - 7 Should not be allowed to come at all
  - 2 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

#### e. Immigrants from Africa

- 18 Too high
- 11 Too low
- 62 About the right amount
- 6 Should not be allowed to come at all
- <u>3</u> Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
- 100 Total

#### f. Immigrants from predominantly Christian countries

- 10 Too high
- 15 Too low
- About the right amount
- 4 Should not be allowed to come at all
- <u>3</u> Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
- 100 Total

#### g. Immigrants from predominantly Muslim countries

- 34 Too high
- 7 Too low
- 41 About the right amount
- 15 Should not be allowed to come at all
- <u>3</u> Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
- 100 Total
- Q.26 How well does the Republican Party represent your views on the issue of immigration?
  - 6 Very well
  - 33 Somewhat well
  - 29 Not too well
  - 30 Not at all well
  - <u>2</u> Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

#### And...

Q.27 How well does the Democratic Party represent your views on the issue of immigration?

- 9 Very well
- 40 Somewhat well
- Not too well
- 22 Not at all well
- <u>2</u> Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
- 100 Total

Now a few questions about you...

RELIG What is your present religion, if any?

- Protestant (Baptist, Methodist, Non-denominational, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Pentecostal, Episcopalian, Reformed, Church of Christ, Jehovah's Witness, etc.)
- 20 Roman Catholic (Catholic)
- 1 Mormon (Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints/LDS)
- 1 Orthodox (Greek, Russian, or some other orthodox church)
- 1 Jewish (Judaism)
- 1 Muslim (Islam)
- 1 Buddhist
- \* Hindu
- 5 Atheist (do not believe in God)
- 4 Agnostic (not sure if there is a God)
- 9 Nothing in particular
- 19 Just Christian
- 1 Unitarian (Universalist)
- 2 Something else [SPECIFY]
- <u>1</u> Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
- 100 Total

#### IF CHRISTIAN OR SOMETHING ELSE (RELIG=1-4, 12 OR 14), ASK [N=1,902]:

BORN Would you describe yourself as a "born-again" or evangelical Christian, or not?

- 40 Yes
- 59 No.
- 1 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
- 100 Total

#### ASK ALL:

ATTEND Aside from weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services?

- More than once a week
- 21 Once a week
- 11 Once or twice a month
- 19 A few times a year
- 19 Seldom
- 19 Never
- \* Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
- 100 Total

# Q.28 Which of the following comes closest to how you think about the place of religion in your life? [LIST IN ORDER]

- Religion is the most important thing in my life
- 41 Religion is one among many important things in my life
- Religion is not as important as other things in my life
- 18 Religion is not important in my life
- 1 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
- 100 Total

### Q.29 Which of the following statements comes closest to your view?

May <u>2016</u>	June <u>2015</u>	Aug. <u>2012</u>	Sept. <u>2010</u>	
41	35	39	42	America has always been and is currently a Christian nation
42	45	41	37	America was a Christian nation in the past but not now
15	14	15	17	America has never been a Christian nation
<u>2</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	100	100	Total

Q.30 Now, read each statement and please say if you completely agree, mostly disagree or completely disagree with each one. [ROTATE BLOCK A – F; G – J; RANDOMIZE LIST]

a. The American way of life needs to be protected against foreign influence

May	Feb.	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2013</u>	
21	27	Completely agree
34	26	Mostly agree
27	24	Mostly disagree
17	21	Completely disagree
<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	Total

b. The idea of America where most people are not white bothers me

May	Feb.	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2013</u>	
5	5	Completely agree
16	9	Mostly agree
34	29	Mostly disagree
44	55	Completely disagree
<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	Total

c. The values of Islam are at odds with American values and way of life

					DK/
	Completely	Mostly	Mostly	Completely	Refused
	<u>agree</u>	<u>agree</u>	<u>disagree</u>	<u>disagree</u>	(VOL.)
May 2016	26	31	26	14	3=100
Dec. 2015	20	27	24	19	10=100
Oct. 2015	26	30	28	13	3=100
Feb. 2013	23	24	25	19	9=100
Aug. 2011	17	30	32	16	5=100

# d. We should make a serious effort to deport all illegal immigrants back to their home countries

					DK/
	Completely	Mostly	Mostly	Completely	Refused
	<u>agree</u>	<u>agree</u>	<u>disagree</u>	<u>disagree</u>	<u>(VOL.)</u>
May 2016	18	25	31	25	1=100
Feb. 2013	19	24	30	25	2=100
Aug. 2011	22	29	31	17	2=100
March 2010	19	23	35	21	2=100

e. It bothers me when I come in contact with immigrants who speak little or no English

					DK/
	Completely	Mostly	Mostly	Completely	Refused
	<u>agree</u>	<u>agree</u>	<u>disagree</u>	<u>disagree</u>	(VOL.)
May 2016	20	30	27	22	1=100
April 2016	14	20	30	34	3=100
Oct. 2015	22	26	26	25	1=100

f. Today discrimination against whites has become as big a problem as discrimination against blacks and other minorities

					DK/
	Completely	Mostly	Mostly	Completely	Refused
	<u>agree</u>	<u>agree</u>	<u>disagree</u>	<u>disagree</u>	(VOL.)
May 2016	23	26	26	23	1=100
Oct. 2015	17	26	29	26	1=100
Aug. 2014	19	26	28	23	4=100
Aug. 2012	18	29	30	21	3=100
Aug. 2011	15	31	33	18	2=100

g. Because things have gotten so far off track in this country, we need a leader who is willing to break some rules if that's what it takes to set things right

May	April	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2016</u>	
19	19	Completely agree
30	26	Mostly agree
27	24	Mostly disagree
23	27	Completely disagree
<u>1</u>	<u>4</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	Total

h. In America today, discrimination against Christians has become as big a problem as discrimination against other groups

May	June	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	
21	24	Completely agree
28	25	Mostly agree
28	26	Mostly disagree
22	21	Completely disagree
<u>1</u>	<u>5</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	Total

i. It is important to keep fighting against laws and cultural changes that conflict with my values, even if most other Americans disagree

- Completely agree
  Mostly agree
  Mostly disagree
  Completely disagree
  Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
  Total
- j. It is important for children to be brought up in a religion so they can learn good values

May	Oct.	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2013</u>	
35	30	Completely agree
35	37	Mostly agree
16	16	Mostly disagree
13	11	Completely disagree
<u>1</u>	<u>5</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	Total

Q.31 How difficult do you think it would be to deport all the immigrants living in the U.S. illegally?

- 70 Very difficult
- 22 Somewhat difficult
- 5 Not too difficult
- 2 Not at all difficult
- 1 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
- 100 Total

On a different topic...

- Q.32 Although, there are a number of qualities that people feel that children should have, every person thinks that some are more important than others. For each pair, choose which one you think is more important for a child to have. [ROTATE ITEMS; RANDOMIZE LIST]
- Q.33 And do you feel strongly about that, or not?
- a. Independence OR Respect for elders

May	Aug.	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2012</u>	
26	18	Independence
18	-	Strongly
8	-	Not strongly
*	-	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
74	75	Respect for elders
67	-	Strongly
6	-	Not strongly
*	-	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
-	6	Both (VOL.)
<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	Total

## b. Self-reliance OR Obedience

May	Aug.	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2012</u>	
53	51	Self-reliance
45	-	Strongly
8	-	Not strongly
*	-	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
46	43	Obedience
41	-	Strongly
5	-	Not strongly
*	-	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
-	5	Both (VOL.)
<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	Total

# c. Curiosity OR Good manners

May	Aug.	
2016	2012	
30	31	Curiosity
21	-	Strongly
8	-	Not strongly
*	-	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
70	62	Good manners
63	-	Strongly
7	-	Not strongly
*	-	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
-	<u>7</u>	Both (VOL.)
<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	Total

#### d. Creative OR Well behaved

May	Aug.	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2012</u>	
38	41	Creative
<i>2</i> 9	-	Strongly
9	-	Not strongly
*	-	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
61	51	Well behaved
54	-	Strongly
7	-	Not strongly
*	-	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
-	7	Both (VOL.)
*	<u>1</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	Total

Q.34 And thinking about concerns that people may have, how worried are you that you or someone in your family will... **[RANDOMIZE LIST]** 

#### a. Be a victim of terrorism

May	April	Dec.	Nov.	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	
18	16	17	11	Very worried
33	29	30	22	Somewhat worried
33	31	30	35	Not too worried
17	24	23	31	Not at all worried
*	<u>1</u>	*	<u>1</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	100	100	Total

## b. Be a victim of a violent crime

- Very worried
- 41 Somewhat worried
- 29 Not too worried
- 8 Not at all worried
- 1 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
- 100 Total

#### c. Become unemployed

- 27 Very worried
- 38 Somewhat worried
- 24 Not too worried
- 10 Not at all worried
- \* Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
- 100 Total

Now, just a few questions about yourself...

MEDIA Which of the following television news sources do you trust the MOST to provide accurate information about politics and current events?

#### [RANDOMIZE LIST]

- 26 Broadcast network news, such as NBC, ABC or CBS
- 16 CNN
- 17 Fox News
- 4 MSNBC
- 4 The Daily Show or Last Week Tonight with John Oliver
- 10 Public television
- 3 Other [SPECIFY]
- 19 Do not watch television news
- <u>1</u> Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
- 100 Total

RACE What is your race or ethnicity? Please select all that apply.

- 71 White
- 13 Black
- Hispanic or Latino
- 4 Asian or Pacific Islander
- 3 Some other race [SPECIFY]
- 1 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

Note: Multiple responses accepted. Numbers do not add up to 100 percent.

CLASS If you were asked to use one of these five names for your social class, which would you say you belong in? [ROTATE LIST ORDER 1-5; 5-1]

#### (FORM 1 LIST CATEGORIES IN ORDER, FORM 2 LIST IN REVERSE ORDER)

		Upper-				
		middle		Working		DK/Refused
	<u>Upper class</u>	<u>class</u>	Middle class	<u>class</u>	Lower class	(VOL.)
May 2016	2	14	43	33	7	1=100
Oct. 2015	1	11	39	37	12	1=100
Aug. 2014	2	10	37	38	11	2=100
Sept. 2012	2	12	41	34	10	1=100
Aug. 2012	1	12	44	33	9	1=100

Q.35 Thinking about your current financial situation. Would you say you are currently in excellent financial shape, good shape, only fair shape, or in poor shape financially?

					DK/
	Excellent		Only		Refused
	<u>shape</u>	Good shape	<u>fair shape</u>	Poor shape	<u>(VOL.)</u>
May 2016	6	38	40	16	1=100
April 2016	8	36	37	17	2=100
Aug. 2014	7	34	37	20	2=100
Aug. 2012	6	36	36	20	1=100
March 2010	9	41	33	13	3=100

EMPLOY2 Which of the following best describes your current employment situation?

- 42 Employed full-time
- 11 Employed part-time
- 23 Retired
- 8 A homemaker
- 6 A student
- 5 Unemployed but looking for work
- 3 Unemployed and not looking for work
- 3 Disabled
- \* Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
- 100 Total

### IF EMPLOYED, RETIRED OR UNEMPLOYED (EMPLOY2=1,2,3,6,7) [N=2,294], ASK:

JOBPAY Even if you are not currently employed, which of the following best describes how you [IF RETIRED OR UNEMPLOYED (EMPLOY2=3,6,7), ASK: "got"] get paid at work?

- Paid an hourly rate
- 37 Paid a salary
- 10 Paid by the job
- <u>1</u> Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
- 100 Total

TPARTY Do you consider yourself a part of the Tea Party movement, or not?

- 7 Yes
- 90 No
- <u>2</u> Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
- 100 Total

#### **ASK ALL:**

IDEO In general, would you describe your political views as... [ROTATE LIST ORDER 1-5; 5-1]

- 7 Very conservative
- 25 Conservative
- 44 Moderate
- 15 Liberal
- 7 Very liberal
- <u>2</u> Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
- 100 Total

Thinking back to the 2012 presidential election...

PVOTE A lot of people have been telling us they didn't get a chance to vote in the 2012 presidential election. How about you... did things come up that kept you from voting, or did you happen to vote?

May	Aug.	Oct.	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	
70	69	91	Yes, voted
22	27	7	No, did not vote
7	3	1	Not eligible to vote
*	*	1	Other [SPECIFY]
<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	100	Total

# **Survey Methodology**

The survey was designed and conducted by Public Religion Research Institute in partnership with the Brookings Institution. The survey was made possible by a generous grant from the Carnegie Corporation of New York. Interviews were conducted among a random sample of 2,607 adults (age 18 and up) living in the United States including all 50 states and the District of Columbia. Interviews were conducted both online using a self-administered design and by telephone using live interviewers. All interviews were conducted among participants in AmeriSpeak, a probability-based panel designed to be representative of the national U.S. adult population run by NORC at the University of Chicago. Panel participants without Internet access, which included 461 respondents, were interviewed via telephone by professional interviewers under the direction of NORC. Interviewing was conducted in both Spanish and English between April 4 and May 2, 2016.

NORC's AmeriSpeak Panel provides a representative panel of civilian, non-institutional adults (age 18 and over) living in the United States. The sample frame was developed using a two-stage probability sample design to create a representative sample of households in the United States. The first stage uses National Frame Areas (NFAs), geographic areas that have a population of at least 10,000 people. The National Sample Frame contains almost 3 million households and includes 80,000 rural households. Additionally, NORC oversampled housing units in segments (Census tracts or block groups) that include hard-to-reach populations, including young adults, Hispanics and African Americans. Panel recruitment proceeded in two stages. First, a mail solicitation is sent to a randomly selected household along with follow-up telephone calls and email solicitations if necessary. In the second stage, households that have not responded to the initial inquiry or follow-ups receive an enhanced incentive offer and a personal visit from NORC field interviewers. Members typically participate in panel surveys two or three times a month. For more information about AmeriSpeak, please visit:

http://www.norc.org/Research/Capabilities/Pages/amerispeak.aspx

The weighting is accomplished in two separate stages. First, panel base weights are calculated for every household based on the probability of selection from the NORC National Frame, the sampling frame that is used to sample housing units for AmeriSpeak. Household level weights are then assigned to each eligible adult in every recruited household. In the second stage, sample demographics are balanced to match target population parameters for gender, age, education, race and Hispanic ethnicity, and division (U.S. Census definitions), housing type, and telephone usage. The telephone usage parameter came from an analysis of the National Health Interview Survey. All other weighting parameters are derived from an analysis of the U.S. Census Bureau's Current Population Survey.

The sample weighting is accomplished using an iterative proportional fitting (IFP) process that simultaneously balances the distributions of all variables. Weights were trimmed to prevent individual interviews from having too much influence on the final results. The use

of these weights in statistical analysis ensures that the demographic characteristics of the sample closely approximate the demographic characteristics of the target populations.

The margin of error for the survey is +/- 2.7 percentage points at the 95% level of confidence. The design effect for the survey is 1.9. In addition to sampling error, surveys may also be subject to error or bias due to question wording, context and order effects.

# **Appendix**

# Table 1. Demographic, Political, and Religious Subgroup Sample Sizes (All figures are unweighted)

(All figures are unweighted)			
	General		
	<u>Public</u>		
Total Sample	2,607		
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Male	1,119		
Female	1,488		
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Democrat	948		
Independent	888		
Republican	676		
Tea Party	183		
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White, non-Hispanic	1,858		
Black, non-Hispanic	285		
Hispanic	258		
mspame	200		
White working-class	744		
White college-educated	822		
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Age 18-29	403		
30-49	772		
50-64	801		
65+	631		
White evangelical Protestant	430		
White mainline Protestant	521		
Black Protestant	219		
Catholic	515		
White Catholic	370		
Hispanic Catholic	103		
Religiously unaffiliated	496		
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Registered voters	2,185		
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