



PRRI/MTV 2017 National Youth Survey
Total = 2,023 (Age 15-24)
July 19 - August 3, 2017

Q.1 In general, do you think America's best days are ahead of us or behind us?

59	Ahead of us
41	Behind us
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

IF AGE >= 18, ASK: [N= 1,813]

Thinking about the 2016 election...

Q.2 Did you happen to vote for **[INSERT; RANDOMIZE]**, **[INSERT]**, some other candidate, or did things come up that kept you from voting?

44	Hillary Clinton, the Democrat
21	Donald Trump, the Republican
9	Other candidate (SPECIFY-VOL.)
15	Didn't get a chance to vote
11	Not eligible/Not registered to vote
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

ASK ALL:

Q.3 Did your parents happen to vote for **[INSERT; RANDOMIZE]**, **[INSERT]**, or did they happen not to vote in the past election?

29	Voted for Donald Trump
41	Voted for Hillary Clinton
7	Parents split votes between Trump and Clinton
14	Did not vote
9	Other [SPECIFY]
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Q.4 Now, please report whether your overall opinion of each of the following is very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly unfavorable, or very unfavorable. **[RANDOMIZE LIST]**

a. Barack Obama

43	Very favorable
27	Mostly favorable
13	Mostly unfavorable
15	Very unfavorable
1	Have not heard of
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

b. Donald Trump

7	Very favorable
18	Mostly favorable
16	Mostly unfavorable
56	Very unfavorable
2	Have not heard of
<u>1</u>	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

c. Hillary Clinton

12	Very favorable
36	Mostly favorable
22	Mostly unfavorable
28	Very unfavorable
1	Have not heard of
<u>1</u>	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

d. The Republican Party

7	Very favorable
24	Mostly favorable
34	Mostly unfavorable
32	Very unfavorable
3	Have not heard of
<u>1</u>	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

e. The Democratic Party

17	Very favorable
40	Mostly favorable
23	Mostly unfavorable
17	Very unfavorable
2	Have not heard of
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

f. Bernie Sanders

28	Very favorable
33	Mostly favorable
18	Mostly unfavorable
17	Very unfavorable
4	Have not heard of
<u>1</u>	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Q.5 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. Race relations

47	Critical issue
42	One among many important issues
11	Not that important an issue
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

b. LGBT rights

28	Critical issue
41	One among many important issues
31	Not that important an issue
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

c. Immigration

42	Critical issue
46	One among many important issues
12	Not that important an issue
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

d. Terrorism

60	Critical issue
33	One among many important issues
7	Not that important an issue
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

e. Discrimination against Muslims

34	Critical issue
45	One among many important issues
22	Not that important an issue
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

f. Gender equality

38	Critical issue
39	One among many important issues
23	Not that important an issue
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

ASK FORM 1 ONLY: [N= 973]

g. Climate change

51	Critical issue
31	One among many important issues
18	Not that important an issue
<u>0</u>	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

ASK FORM 1 ONLY: [N= 973]

h. Growing gap between rich and poor

49	Critical issue
37	One among many important issue
13	Not that important an issue
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

ASK FORM 2 ONLY: [N= 1,050]

i. Jobs and unemployment

60	Critical issue
37	One among many important issue
3	Not that important an issue
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

ASK FORM 2 ONLY: [N= 1,050]

j. Cost of higher education

57	Critical issue
35	One among many important issue
7	Not that important an issue
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Q.6 Now, we would like to get your views on some issues that are being discussed in the country today. Do you strongly favor, favor, oppose or strongly oppose the following... **[RANDOMIZE LIST]**

a. Building a wall along the U.S. border with Mexico

11	Strongly favor
17	Favor
23	Oppose
49	Strongly oppose
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

b. Temporarily preventing people from some majority Muslim countries from entering the U.S.

13	Strongly favor
24	Favor
33	Oppose
30	Strongly oppose
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

c. Allowing gay and lesbian couples to marry legally

45	Strongly favor
30	Favor
14	Oppose
11	Strongly oppose
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

d. Making the use of marijuana legal

29	Strongly favor
36	Favor
22	Oppose
12	Strongly oppose
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

e. Laws that require transgender individuals to use bathrooms that correspond to their sex at birth rather than their current gender identity

17	Strongly favor
21	Favor
31	Oppose
31	Strongly oppose
<u>1</u>	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

f. Making it more difficult for a woman to get an abortion

13	Strongly favor
15	Favor
27	Oppose
45	Strongly oppose
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Q.7 These days, how divided do you think Americans are over the following? Are Americans very divided, somewhat divided, not that divided or not at all divided by... **[RANDOMIZE LIST]**

a. Race

48	Very divided
42	Somewhat divided
9	Not that divided
1	Not at all divided
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

b. Religion

38	Very divided
45	Somewhat divided
16	Not that divided
1	Not at all divided
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

c. Politics

77	Very divided
20	Somewhat divided
2	Not that divided
1	Not at all divided
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

d. Wealth or income

57	Very divided
36	Somewhat divided
7	Not that divided
1	Not at all divided
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Q.8 Just your impression, in the United States today, is there a lot of discrimination against any of the following groups, or not? **[RANDOMIZE LIST]**

a. Gay and lesbian people

72	Yes, there is a lot of discrimination
28	No, not a lot of discrimination
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

b. Hispanic people

63	Yes, there is a lot of discrimination
36	No, not a lot of discrimination
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

c. Black people

72	Yes, there is a lot of discrimination
28	No, not a lot of discrimination
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

d. Women

53	Yes, there is a lot of discrimination
47	No, not a lot of discrimination
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

e. Muslims

84	Yes, there is a lot of discrimination
15	No, not a lot of discrimination
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

f. Jewish people

32	Yes, there is a lot of discrimination
67	No, not a lot of discrimination
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

g. Transgender people

79	Yes, there is a lot of discrimination
21	No, not a lot of discrimination
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

h. Evangelical Christians

24	Yes, there is a lot of discrimination
75	No, not a lot of discrimination
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

i. Atheists, that is people who don't believe in God

18	Yes, there is a lot of discrimination
82	No, not a lot of discrimination
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

j. Asian people

30	Yes, there is a lot of discrimination
69	No, not a lot of discrimination
<u>1</u>	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

ASK FORM 1 ONLY: [N= 973]

k. White men

16	Yes, there is a lot of discrimination
84	No, not a lot of discrimination
*	Refused (VOL)
100	Total

ASK FORM 2 ONLY: [N= 1,050]

l. White people

23	Yes, there is a lot of discrimination
76	No, not a lot of discrimination
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Q.9 Over the last 12 months, would you say the amount of discrimination experienced by the following groups has increased, decreased or stayed about the same?
[RANDOMIZE LIST]

a. Gay and lesbian people

42	Increased
40	Stayed the same
17	Decreased
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

b. Hispanic people

44	Increased
48	Stayed the same
7	Decreased
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

c. Black people

47	Increased
45	Stayed the same
8	Decreased
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

d. Women

27	Increased
59	Stayed the same
13	Decreased
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

e. Muslims

75	Increased
22	Stayed the same
3	Decreased
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

f. Jewish people

17	Increased
69	Stayed the same
13	Decreased
<u>1</u>	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

g. Transgender people

56	Increased
32	Stayed the same
12	Decreased
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

ASK ALL:

Q.10 In the last 12 months, have you personally seen someone targeted or treated unfairly because of their... **[RANDOMIZE LIST] [ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES 1-3]**

a. Race or ethnicity

14 Yes, happened to me
24 Yes, happened to a friend or family member
29 Yes, happened to someone I didn't know well
42 No, have not seen this happen
* Refused (VOL.)

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

b. Gender

12 Yes, happened to me
18 Yes, happened to a friend or family member
21 Yes, happened to someone I didn't know well
56 No, have not seen this happen
* Refused (VOL.)

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

c. Immigration status

3 Yes, happened to me
12 Yes, happened to a friend or family member
25 Yes, happened to someone I didn't know well
61 No, have not seen this happen
1 Refused (VOL.)

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

d. Religious beliefs

8 Yes, happened to me
15 Yes, happened to a friend or family member
25 Yes, happened to someone I didn't know well
56 No, have not seen this happen
1 Refused (VOL.)

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

e. Sexual orientation or gender identity

5	Yes, happened to me
19	Yes, happened to a friend or family member
26	Yes, happened to someone I didn't know well
54	No, have not seen this happen
*	Refused (VOL)

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

ROTATE Q11 & Q12

IF EXPERIENCED (Q10a-e=1), ASK: [N=565]

Q.11 Did you ever fear for your personal safety when you were targeted or treated unfairly, or did you not fear for your safety?

43	Yes, feared for my safety
56	No, did not fear for my safety
<u>1</u>	Refused (VOL)
100	Total

IF EXPERIENCED (Q10a-e=1), ASK: [N=565]

Q.12 In general, when you have been targeted or treated unfairly, would you describe it more as...

59	Direct and purposeful
40	Indirect and possibly unintentional
*	Refused (VOL)
100	Total

ASK ALL:

Q.13 Have you ever personally intervened to help someone who was being discriminated against?

39	Yes, have personally done this
60	No, have not personally done this
*	Refused (VOL)
100	Total

IF DID NOT INTERVENE (Q13=2), ASK: [N= 1,232]

Q.14 What is the MOST important reason you did not intervene? **[RANDOMIZE LIST]**

54	Have never witnessed someone being discriminated against
10	Worried about becoming a target or being attacked
13	Didn't feel it was my place to get involved
13	Didn't know what to say or do
3	Didn't think it would make a difference
7	Other (Specify- VOL.)
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

ASK ALL:

Q.15 Over the last 12 months, would you say you have had more conversations with friends or family members about groups of people being targeted or treated unfairly, fewer of these types of conversations or have these topics not really come up at all?

55	More conversations
8	Fewer conversations
22	No change
15	Not really coming up
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

ROTATE ORDER Q16-Q17

These days,

Q.16 How difficult do you personally find it to have an open and honest conversation about **ISSUES OF RACE** with people of a different racial or ethnic background?

12	Very difficult
36	Somewhat difficult
36	Not too difficult
16	Not at all difficult
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

And...

Q.17 How difficult do you personally find it to have an open and honest conversation about **RELIGION** with people whose religious beliefs are different from your own?

13	Very difficult
33	Somewhat difficult
35	Not too difficult
19	Not at all difficult
<u>1</u>	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Q.18 Which of the following statements comes closest to your own view – even if neither is exactly right? **[ROTATE OPTIONS]**

1 – Even if certain people are offended, it is important to speak frankly about sensitive issues and problems facing the country

2 – It's important to avoid using language that is hurtful and offensive to some people when discussing sensitive issues

49	First statement
51	Second statement
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Q.19 Do you think colleges and universities should allow speakers on campus who promote views about race, gender or religion that are offensive to some students, or should they not be allowed?

64	Yes, should be allowed
35	No, should not be allowed
<u>1</u>	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Now, on a different topic...

Q.20 Please read the following statements on a few different topics and say if you agree or disagree with each one. **[RANDOMIZE LIST]**

a. Women often have to be more qualified than men to be considered for the same job

30	Completely agree
38	Mostly agree
21	Mostly disagree
11	Completely disagree
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

b. Today, discrimination against men has become as big a problem as discrimination against women

8	Completely agree
16	Mostly agree
36	Mostly disagree
40	Completely disagree
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

c. Women use their gender as an excuse more than they should

11	Completely agree
23	Mostly agree
34	Mostly disagree
31	Completely disagree
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

d. The gains that women have made in recent years have come at the expense of men

4	Completely agree
13	Mostly agree
36	Mostly disagree
46	Completely disagree
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

e. Stereotypes about my gender prevent me from doing what I want to do

9	Completely agree
19	Mostly agree
35	Mostly disagree
37	Completely disagree
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Q.21 These days, how much pressure do young men face to act in traditionally masculine ways?

32	A great deal
43	Some
19	Not too much
6	None at all
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

IF BELIEVE PRESSURE TO ACT MASCULINE (Q21=1,2), ASK: [N= 1,539]

Q.22 When society pressures young men to act in traditionally masculine ways do you think it results in any of the following, or not? **[RANDOMIZE LIST]**

a. Prevents men from expressing their emotions in healthy ways

80	Yes
20	No
0	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

b. Limits the type of friendships men can have with other men

67	Yes
33	No
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

c. Leads men to treat women as weaker and less capable

67	Yes
33	No
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

d. Encourages sexually aggressive behavior

61	Yes
39	No
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

e. Encourages violent behavior

58	Yes
42	No
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

f. Encourages homophobic attitudes

64	Yes
38	No
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

ASK ALL:

Q.23 Do you ever worry that you will be judged or criticized for not acting [**IF MAN INSERT: "masculine"; IF WOMAN INSERT: "feminine"**] enough?

37	Yes, sometimes worry
63	No, never worry
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Q.24 Please place yourself on the following scale, with 1 being "completely masculine" and 10 being "completely feminine"

8	1 (Completely masculine)
15	2
13	3
6	4
7	5
7	6
12	7
16	8
8	9
8	10 (Completely feminine)
100	Total

Q.25 Would you consider yourself a feminist?

39	Yes
60	No
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Q.26 Now, please read the following statements on a few different topics and say if you agree or disagree with each one. **[RANDOMIZE LIST]**.

a. Over the past few years black people have gotten less than they deserve

24	Completely agree
31	Mostly agree
30	Mostly disagree
14	Completely disagree
<u>1</u>	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

b. Racial minorities use racism as an excuse more than they should

22	Completely agree
28	Mostly agree
27	Mostly disagree
22	Completely disagree
<u>1</u>	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

c. Today discrimination against whites has become as big a problem as discrimination against black people and other minorities

12	Completely agree
19	Mostly agree
29	Mostly disagree
40	Completely disagree
<u>1</u>	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

d. People are too sensitive when it comes to race

24	Completely agree
36	Mostly agree
26	Mostly disagree
13	Completely disagree
<u>*</u>	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

e. Racism is more of a problem for other generations than it is for my generation

14	Completely agree
31	Mostly agree
34	Mostly disagree
21	Completely disagree
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

f. Efforts to increase diversity almost always come at the expense of whites

11	Completely agree
21	Mostly agree
32	Mostly disagree
34	Completely disagree
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

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

16	Completely agree
28	Mostly agree
31	Mostly disagree
25	Completely disagree
<u>1</u>	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

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

11	Completely agree
20	Mostly agree
30	Mostly disagree
40	Completely disagree
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

i. Today, America is in danger of losing its culture and identity

21	Completely agree
26	Mostly agree
29	Mostly disagree
23	Completely disagree
<u>1</u>	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

To the best of your knowledge...

Q.27 Do you think the following types of people are portrayed by the news media and entertainment industry in a way that promotes negative stereotypes or generally in a way that is fair and accurate? **[ROTATE OPTIONS: “that promotes negative stereotypes” and “that is fair and accurate”]** **[RANDOMIZE LIST]**

a. Gay and lesbian people

55	Promotes negative stereotypes
44	Presents a fair and accurate representation
<u>1</u>	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

b. Hispanic people

59	Promotes negative stereotypes
41	Presents a fair and accurate representation
<u>1</u>	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

c. Black people

66	Promotes negative stereotypes
34	Presents a fair and accurate representation
<u>1</u>	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

d. Women

45	Promotes negative stereotypes
54	Presents a fair and accurate representation
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

e. Muslims

74	Promotes negative stereotypes
25	Presents a fair and accurate representation
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

f. Jewish people

38	Promotes negative stereotypes
61	Presents a fair and accurate representation
<u>1</u>	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

g. Transgender people

61	Promotes negative stereotypes
39	Presents a fair and accurate representation
<u>1</u>	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

h. Evangelical Christians

39	Promotes negative stereotypes
60	Presents a fair and accurate representation
<u>1</u>	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

i. Atheists, that is people who don't believe in God

37	Promotes negative stereotypes
62	Presents a fair and accurate representation
<u>1</u>	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

j. Asian people

40	Promotes negative stereotypes
60	Presents a fair and accurate representation
<u>1</u>	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Q.28 Which of the following do you think BEST describes the protests, marches and demonstrations that have been held around the country over the past 12 months?
[RANDOMIZE LIST]

16	Inspiring
16	Pointless
4	Effective
16	Powerful
16	Counterproductive
12	Divisive
11	Violent
5	Other (Specify)
5	Have not heard about them
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

People engage in social, civic and political activity in different ways...

Q.29 Over the past 12 months, have you done any of the following, or not? **[RANDOMIZE LIST]**

a. Signed an online petition

43	Yes
56	No
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

b. Attended a public rally or demonstration

19	Yes
81	No
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

c. Liked or followed a campaign or organization online whose cause you support

44	Yes
55	No
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

d. Volunteered for a group or cause you care about

34	Yes
66	No
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

e. Donated money to a campaign or cause

22	Yes
78	No
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

f. Contacted an elected official

19	Yes
80	No
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

g. Posted on social media about an issue that matters to you

43	Yes
57	No
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Q.30 Here is a list of reasons that some people give for why they choose not to get involved in particular campaigns or causes. Please indicate whether any of these reasons apply to you. **[RANDOMIZE LIST]**

a. There aren't any issues or causes that I really care about

20	Yes, does apply
79	No, does not apply
<u>1</u>	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

b. I don't think my actions will make a difference

38	Yes, does apply
62	No, does not apply
<u>1</u>	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

c. I don't feel like I know enough about the issues

48	Yes, does apply
51	No, does not apply
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

d. I don't want to be criticized

22	Yes, does apply
77	No, does not apply
<u>1</u>	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Q.31 What is your current living situation? Are you currently...

63	Living at home with your parents or guardians
7	Living in a college dormitory
5	Living in an apartment or house by yourself
12	Living in an apartment or house with roommates
10	Living in an apartment or house with a significant other or spouse
2	Other [SPECIFIY]
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Q.32 Now I would like you to think about your relationship with your parents or guardians. How comfortable would you feel talking with your parents about a personal issue on which you might not necessarily agree?

54	Very comfortable
33	Somewhat comfortable
10	Not too comfortable
4	Not at all comfortable
*	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Q.33 Now thinking about the people that you know, do you have a close friend or family member who is...

a. Gay or lesbian

4	Yes, myself
55	Yes, close friend
23	Yes, family member
28	No, don't know anyone like this
1	Refused (VOL.)

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

b. Hispanic

17	Yes, myself
57	Yes, close friend
16	Yes, family member
27	No, don't know anyone like this
1	Refused (VOL.)

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

c. Black

14	Yes, myself
67	Yes, close friend
14	Yes, family member
20	No, don't know anyone like this
1	Refused (VOL.)

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

d. Born outside the U.S.

5	Yes, myself
50	Yes, close friend
25	Yes, family member
31	No, don't know anyone like this
1	Refused (VOL.)

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

e. Muslim

1	Yes, myself
29	Yes, close friend
3	Yes, family member
66	No, don't know anyone like this
2	Refused (VOL.)

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

f. Jewish

3	Yes, myself
35	Yes, close friend
6	Yes, family member
58	No, don't know anyone like this
1	Refused (VOL.)

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

h. Transgender

1	Yes, myself
19	Yes, close friend
3	Yes, family member
76	No, don't know anyone like this
2	Refused (VOL.)

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

i. An evangelical Christian

13	Yes, myself
27	Yes, close friend
22	Yes, family member
51	No, don't know anyone like this
1	Refused (VOL.)

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

j. An atheist

9	Yes, myself
41	Yes, close friend
16	Yes, family member
46	No, don't know anyone like this
1	Refused (VOL.)

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

k. Asian or Pacific Islander

6	Yes, myself
49	Yes, close friend
7	Yes, family member
43	No, don't know anyone like this
1	Refused (VOL.)

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

l. Gender non-binary

2	Yes, myself
14	Yes, close friend
2	Yes, family member
81	No, don't know anyone like this
1	Refused (VOL.)

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

m. Bisexual

7	Yes, myself
39	Yes, close friend
10	Yes, family member
49	No, don't know anyone like this
1	Refused (VOL.)

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

Q.34 Thinking about your parents' current financial situation, would you say they are currently in excellent financial shape, good shape, only fair shape, or in poor shape financially?

18	Excellent shape
45	Good shape
26	Only fair shape
10	Poor shape
<u>1</u>	Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Survey Methodology

The PRRI/MTV 2017 National Youth Survey was conducted by PRRI in partnership with MTV among a random sample of 2,023 young people age 15 to 24 who are part of the GfK's YouthPulse panel. Interviews were conducted online in both English and Spanish between July 19 – August 3, 2017.

The initial sample drawn from the YouthPulse panel was adjusted using pre-stratification weights so that it approximates the overall population (15 to 24 year olds) in the U.S. defined by the latest Current Population Survey. Next, a probability proportional to size (PPS) sampling scheme was used to select a representative sample. Once assigned to the survey, panel participants received an email notification reminder on day four, seven and twelve of the field period.

The YouthPulse panel is a nationally representative probability sample of teens and young adults age 15 to 24 years old. Panelists are recruited by randomly selecting residential addresses using a process called address-based sampling (ABS).¹ Participants under the age of 18 were included in the panel following the receipt of parental consent. Unlike opt-in panels, households are not permitted to "self-select" into the panel; and are generally limited to how many surveys they can take within a given time period. Additional details about the YouthPulse panel can be found on the GfK website: <http://www.gfk.com/en-us/products-a-z/us/gfk-youthpulse-panel/>

To reduce the effects of any non-response bias, a post-stratification adjustment was applied based on demographic distributions from the most recent Current Population Survey (CPS). The post-stratification weight rebalanced the sample based on the following benchmarks: age, race and ethnicity, gender, Census division, metro area, education and income.

The sample weighting was 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 overall survey is +/- 2.7 percentage points at the 95% level of confidence. The design effect for the survey is 1.6. For a full list of sample sizes for racial and ethnic subgroups see Table 1. In addition to sampling error, surveys may also be subject to error or bias due to question wording, context and order effects.

¹ The sampling frame was derived from the U.S. Postal Service's Delivery Sequence File.

Appendix

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

Total Sample	2,023
Male	922
Female	1,101
Republican	431
Independent	617
Democrat	866
White, non-Hispanic	1,199
Black, non-Hispanic	255
Hispanic	365
Asian or Pacific Islander	106
Age 15-17	210
18-21	992
22-24	821
Northeast	462
Midwest	448
South	687
West	426
White evangelical Protestant	196
White mainline Protestant	256
Black Protestant	189
Catholic	389
<i>White Catholic</i>	231
<i>Hispanic Catholic</i>	128
Religiously unaffiliated	599
Non-Christian religion	184
LGBT	259
