

Region:

(N=1,000)	n	%
Northeast-----	206	20.60
South-----	335	33.50
Midwest-----	242	24.20
West-----	217	21.70

Hello, my name is _____ and I am conducting a survey for Suffolk University/USA Today and I would like to get your opinions on some issues of the day. Would you like to spend seven minutes to help us out? {ASK FOR YOUNGEST IN HOUSEHOLD}

QUOTA GENDER, ANCESTRY, & AGE... SCREEN.

S.1 Gender

(N=1,000)	n	%
Male-----	477	47.70
Female-----	523	52.30

S.2 Are you currently registered to vote?

(N=1,000)	n	%
Yes-----	931	93.10
No-----	67	6.70
Refused-----	2	0.20

S.3 How likely are you to vote in the election for President in 2016 --very likely, somewhat likely, 50-50 or not likely?

(N=1,000)	n	%
Very likely-----	879	87.90
Somewhat likely-----	41	4.10
50-50-----	26	2.60
Not likely-----	42	4.20
Undecided-----	12	1.20

S.4 Do you think of yourself as a Democrat, Republican, or Independent? {IF INDEPENDENT, "Which party would you lean toward/feel closest to"}

(N=1,000)	n	%
Democrat-----	346	34.60
Republican-----	262	26.20
Unenrolled/Independent-----	325	32.50
Other-----	41	4.10
Refused-----	26	2.60

{FOR 4.3}

5. There are presidential primaries and caucuses for both parties coming up next year. Although you are independent, do you think you lean toward the Democratic or Republican parties, or will you skip the primaries altogether?

(N=325)	n	%
Democrat-----	67	20.62
Republican-----	107	32.92
Skip Primaries/Stay Independent-----	91	28.00
Other-----	60	18.46
Refused-----	0	0.00

6. What is your age category?

(N=1,000)	n	%
18-24 Years -----	116	11.60
25-34 Years -----	194	19.40
35-49 Years -----	210	21.00
50-64 Years -----	291	29.10
65-74 Years -----	97	9.70
75+-----	77	7.70
Refused (DO NOT READ) -----	15	1.50

7. For statistical purposes only, can you please tell me what your ethnic background / ancestry is?

(N=1,000)	n	%
White/Caucasian -----	692	69.20
Black/African-American-----	119	11.90
American Indian / Alaska Native -----	11	1.10
Asian -----	10	1.00
Native Hawaiian / Other Pacific Islander -----	2	0.20
Hispanic/Latino -----	129	12.90
Other -----	25	2.50
Don't know -----	12	1.20

8. Do you feel the country is headed in the right direction or is on the wrong track?

(N=1,000)	n	%
Right Direction -----	245	24.50
Wrong Track -----	599	59.90
Undecided -----	156	15.60

9. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president?

(N=1,000)	n	%
Approve-----	419	41.90
Disapprove -----	478	47.80
Undecided -----	103	10.30

10. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Congress is doing?

(N=1,000)	n	%
Approve-----	107	10.70
Disapprove -----	768	76.80
Undecided -----	125	12.50

11. Republicans have been in control of Congress for just over two months now. Is the federal government working better now than it was before the Republicans won control, is it worse now, or is it about the same?

(N=1,000)	n	%
Better now -----	81	8.10
Worse now-----	216	21.60
About the same-----	599	59.90
Undecided -----	104	10.40

{FOR 4.2 & 5.2}

12. Earlier you said you think of yourself as a Republican/lean Republican. Who do you want the Republican party to nominate as its candidate for President in 2016? [OPEN]

(N=369)		
"Scott Walker"-----	32	8.67
"Jeb Bush"-----	29	7.86
"Ted Cruz"-----	24	6.50
"Rand Paul"-----	18	4.88
"Ben Carson"-----	13	3.52
"Marco Rubio"-----	8	2.17
"Chris Christie"-----	4	1.08
"Mike Huckabee"-----	3	0.81
"John Kasich"-----	3	0.81
"Donald Trump"-----	2	0.54
"Carly Fiorina"-----	1	0.27
"Lindsey Graham"-----	1	0.27
"Rick Perry"-----	1	0.27
"Paul Ryan"-----	1	0.27
Other-----	11	2.98
Undecided-----	218	59.08

{FOR 4.2 & 5.2}

13. Is there anyone among those being named as possible Republican candidates who you would consider unacceptable as the Republican nominee? Anyone else?

{OPEN, MULTIPLE RESPONSES ACCEPTED}

(N=369)		
	n	%
"Jeb Bush"-----	39	10.57
"Rand Paul"-----	27	7.32
"Ted Cruz"-----	18	4.88
"Chris Christie"-----	16	4.34
"Scott Walker"-----	11	2.98
"Ben Carson"-----	4	1.08
"Mike Huckabee"-----	3	0.81
"Paul Ryan"-----	3	0.81
"Donald Trump"-----	3	0.81
"Bobby Jindal"-----	2	0.54
"Rick Perry"-----	2	0.54
"Marco Rubio"-----	2	0.54
"Rick Santorum"-----	1	0.27
Other-----	8	2.17
Undecided-----	226	61.25
None-----	32	8.67

{FOR 4.1 & 5.1}

14. Earlier you said you think of yourself as a Democrat/lean Democrat. Who do you want the Democratic party to nominate as its candidate for President in 2016? [OPEN]

(N=413)	n	%
"Hillary Clinton" -----	176	42.62
"Elizabeth Warren"-----	19	4.60
"Bernie Sanders"-----	4	0.97
"Martin O'Malley"-----	2	0.48
"Joe Biden"-----	1	0.24
Other-----	11	2.66
Undecided-----	200	48.43

{FOR 4.1 & 5.1}

15. How important is it to you that the Democratic Party offers some strong Democratic challengers to Hillary Clinton for the presidential nomination? {READ CHOICES}

(N=413)	n	%
Very important-----	226	54.72
Somewhat important-----	104	25.18
Not very important-----	33	7.99
Not at all important-----	33	7.99
Undecided-----	17	4.12

16. Recently President Obama, working with other countries, reached a deal with Iran to limit Iran's nuclear program. Do you approve or disapprove of this agreement?

(N=1,000)	n	%
Approve-----	459	45.90
Disapprove-----	366	36.60
Undecided-----	175	17.50

17. Do you think Congress should have a role in deciding whether or not the United States will support the agreement?

(N=1,000)	n	%
Yes-----	721	72.10
No-----	193	19.30
Undecided-----	86	8.60

18. Do you strongly favor, favor, oppose, or strongly oppose allowing gays and lesbians to marry legally?

(N=1,000)	n	%
Strongly favor-----	276	27.60
Favor-----	237	23.70
Oppose-----	171	17.10
Strongly Oppose-----	177	17.70
Undecided-----	139	13.90

{FOR 18.1, 18.2, 18.5}

18A	Would you respect someone who opposes same-sex marriage?		
	(N=652)	n	%
	Yes-----	458	70.25
	No-----	144	22.09
	Undecided -----	50	7.67

{FOR 18.3, 18.4, 18.5}

18B	Would you respect someone who supports same-sex marriage?		
	(N=487)	n	%
	Yes-----	296	60.78
	No-----	137	28.13
	Undecided -----	54	11.09

19. In America today, would you say there is a great deal of discrimination against gays and lesbians, some discrimination, only a little discrimination, or none at all?

	(N=1,000)	n	%
	A great deal of discrimination -----	281	28.10
	Some discrimination -----	442	44.20
	Only a little discrimination -----	148	14.80
	None at all -----	88	8.80
	Undecided -----	41	4.10

20. Do you have a gay or lesbian family member or close friend who is married to someone of the same sex?

	(N=1,000)	n	%
	Yes-----	455	45.50
	No-----	527	52.70
	Undecided -----	18	1.80

21. Which of the following two statements comes closest to the way you feel:

	(N=1,000)	n	%
	Statement One – “It is no longer practical for the Supreme Court to ban same-sex marriage because so many states have legalized such marriages” or -----	511	51.10
	Statement Two – “It doesn’t matter how many same-sex marriages have taken place, the Supreme Court can still ban them.” -----	352	35.20
	Undecided -----	137	13.70

22. Do you support or oppose a law that would allow people to refuse to provide business services for a same-sex marriage if they had religious objections to such marriages?

	(N=1,000)	n	%
	Support -----	308	30.80
	Oppose -----	578	57.80
	Undecided -----	114	11.40

23. How concerned are you that requiring businesses to provide such services forces them to either go against their religion or pay a penalty – would you say you are very concerned about this, somewhat concerned, not very concerned, or not at all concerned?

(N=1,000)	n	%
Very concerned-----	353	35.30
Somewhat concerned-----	279	27.90
Not very concerned-----	113	11.30
Not at all concerned-----	216	21.60
Undecided-----	39	3.90

24. How concerned are you that a law allowing people to refuse such services on religious grounds discriminates against gays and lesbians?

(N=1,000)	n	%
Very concerned-----	391	39.10
Somewhat concerned-----	251	25.10
Not very concerned-----	101	10.10
Not at all concerned-----	197	19.70
Undecided-----	60	6.00

25. Have you changed your views on gays and lesbians at all over your lifetime?

(N=1,000)	n	%
Yes-----	376	37.60
No-----	600	60.00
Undecided-----	24	2.40

{FOR 25.1}

26. Have you become much more supportive of gays and lesbians, somewhat more supportive, somewhat less supportive, or much less supportive?

(N=376)	n	%
Much more supportive-----	144	38.30
Somewhat more supportive-----	171	45.48
Somewhat less supportive-----	16	4.26
Much less supportive-----	17	4.52
Don't know-----	28	7.45

27. Do you believe that churches that don't recognize gay marriages should have their tax-exempt status denied?

(N=1,000)	n	%
Yes-----	144	14.40
No-----	758	75.80
Undecided-----	98	9.80

28. Next week will be the 20th anniversary of the Oklahoma City bombing which killed 168 people and injured 680 others. In your opinion, how likely is it that such a bombing will occur in the future – very likely, somewhat likely, not very likely, or not at all likely?

(N=1,000)	n	%
Very likely-----	474	47.40
Somewhat likely-----	375	37.50
Not very likely-----	75	7.50
Not at all likely-----	31	3.10
Undecided-----	45	4.50

29. How would you describe your own political viewpoint – very liberal, liberal, moderate, conservative, very conservative? {ROTATE .1-.5 ASCENDING TO DESCENDING}

(N=1,000)	n	%
Very liberal-----	70	7.00
Liberal-----	168	16.80
Moderate-----	336	33.60
Conservative-----	253	25.30
Very Conservative-----	111	11.10
Other-----	12	1.20
Don't know-----	50	5.00

30. What TV news or commentary source do you trust the most? {RANDOMIZE}

(N=1,000)	n	%
CNN-----	143	14.30
MSNBC-----	64	6.40
FOX NEWS-----	277	27.70
ABC-----	70	7.00
NBC-----	82	8.20
CBS-----	89	8.90
C-SPAN-----	17	1.70
COMEDY CENTRAL-----	46	4.60
UNDECIDED-----	212	21.20

THE FINAL QUESTIONS WILL HELP US CLASSIFY YOUR ANSWERS WITH OTHERS TAKING THE SURVEY

31. What is your annual household income?

(N=1,000)	n	%
Under \$20,000 per year-----	107	10.70
Under \$50,000 per year-----	199	19.90
Under \$75,000 per year-----	169	16.90
Under \$100,000 per year-----	128	12.80
Under \$140,000 per year-----	113	11.30
Over \$140,000 per year-----	94	9.40
Undecided-----	190	19.00

32. Do you personally - or jointly with a spouse – have any money invested in the stock market right now, either in an individual stock or mutual fund – yes or no?

(N=1,000)	n	%
Yes-----	508	50.80
No-----	436	43.60
Undecided-----	56	5.60

33. How important is religion in your life – very important, somewhat important, not very important or not at all important?

(N=1,000)	n	%
Very important-----	586	58.60
Somewhat important-----	236	23.60
Not very important-----	67	6.70
Not at all important-----	95	9.50
Undecided-----	9	0.90
Refused-----	7	0.70

34. Are you willing to be interviewed by a USA Today reporter for an upcoming article, please give me your name and verify best phone number?

(N=1,000)	n	%
Yes-----	413	41.30
No-----	555	55.50
Undecided-----	32	3.20

[THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. HAVE A NICE DAY/EVENING.]