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Interviews: 801 adults  
 Dates: March 17-20, 2018

**FINAL**

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48 Male 52 Female [109]
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***Please note: all results are shown as percentages unless otherwise stated.***

***The margin of error for 801 interviews is ± 3.5%***

1a. For statistical purposes only, would you please tell me how old you are? **(IF "REFUSED," ASK:)** Well, would you tell me which age group you belong to?

18-24.....	10	[141-142]
25-29.....	9	
30-34.....	8	
35-39.....	11	
40-44.....	6	
45-49.....	10	
50-54.....	7	
55-59.....	10	
60-64.....	6	
65-69.....	8	
70-74.....	7	
75 and over.....	7	
Refused/not sure.....	1	

1b. And to ensure that we have a representative sample, would you please tell me whether you are from a Hispanic or Spanish-speaking background? **(IF RESPONDENT SAYS "NO, NOT HISPANIC" OR "NOT SURE" ASK:)** And again, for statistical purposes only, what is your race--white, black or African American, Asian, or something else?

White.....	72	[145]
Black or African American.....	12	
Hispanic.....	11	
Asian.....	1	
Other.....	3	
Not sure/refused.....	1	

1c. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican, or an independent? **(IF RESPONDENT SAYS "DEMOCRAT" OR "REPUBLICAN," ASK:)** Would you call yourself a strong (Democrat/Republican) or not a very strong (Democrat/Republican)? **(IF RESPONDENT SAYS "INDEPENDENT," ASK:)** Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican Party, closer to the Democratic Party, or do you think of yourself as strictly independent?

Strong Democrat.....	21	[152]
Not very strong Democrat.....	10	
Independent/closer to Democratic Party.....	8	
Strictly independent.....	19	
Independent/closer to Republican Party.....	8	
Not very strong Republican.....	8	
Strong Republican.....	19	
Not sure.....	7	
<b>Total Democrat</b>	<b>39</b>	
<b>Total Republican</b>	<b>35</b>	

2. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job Donald Trump is doing as president?

	<u>3/18</u>		<u>1/17<sup>1</sup></u>	<u>12/17</u>	<u>10/17<sup>1</sup></u>	<u>9/17</u>	<u>8/17<sup>1</sup></u>	
Approve .....	39		39	42	38	38	40	[153]
Disapprove .....	50		57	49	58	52	55	
Not sure .....	11		4	9	4	10	5	
			<u>6/17</u>	<u>5/17<sup>1</sup></u>	<u>4/17-</u> <u>20/17<sup>1</sup></u>	<u>4/3-</u> <u>6/17</u>	<u>2/17<sup>1</sup></u>	
			37	39	40	39	44	
			51	54	54	48	48	
			12	7	6	13	8	

<sup>1</sup>Comparative data comes from a survey conducted for NBC News and *The Wall Street Journal*.

3. Do you generally approve or disapprove of the job Donald Trump is doing handling the economy?

	<u>3/18</u>		<u>12/17</u>	<u>9/17</u>	<u>6/17</u>	<u>4/17-</u> <u>20/17<sup>1</sup></u>	<u>4/3-</u> <u>6/17</u>	
Approve .....	45		47	43	41	44	44	[154]
Disapprove .....	42		43	41	44	46	41	
Not sure .....	13		10	16	15	10	15	

<sup>1</sup>Comparative data comes from a survey conducted for NBC News and *The Wall Street Journal*.

4a. How would you rate the current state of the economy? Would you say it is excellent, good, only fair, or poor?

	<u>3/18</u>	<u>12/17</u>	<u>9/17</u>	<u>6/17</u>	<u>4/17</u>	<u>12/16</u>	<u>10/16+</u>	<u>6/16+</u>	<u>3/16</u>	11- <u>12/15</u>	<u>10/15</u>
Excellent.....	9	9	4	3	2	3	2	2	2	2	1
Good.....	41	42	39	35	36	31	23	24	25	23	22
Only fair.....	33	33	40	43	43	41	44	43	45	42	42
Poor.....	14	14	14	16	17	23	30	30	26	31	33
Not sure.....	3	2	3	3	2	2	1	1	2	2	2
				11- <u>6/15</u>	<u>9/14</u>	<u>6/14</u>	<u>3/14</u>	<u>9/13</u>	<u>6/13</u>	<u>3/13</u>	<u>11/12</u>
				2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
				22	16	17	16	14	15	13	13
				44	45	48	43	40	42	41	41
				30	34	33	38	44	40	44	44
				2	3	1	2	1	2	1	1
		<u>9/12</u>	<u>5/12</u>	<u>3/12</u>	<u>11/11</u>	<u>6/11</u>	<u>3/11</u>	<u>12/10</u>	<u>10/10</u>	<u>12/09</u>	<u>12/08</u>
		1	1	1	1	1	-	1	1	1	-
		9	9	10	7	6	8	6	7	6	4
		36	40	35	30	37	37	39	30	33	25
		53	49	53	61	55	54	53	62	60	70
		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	1
		<u>9/18, 20-21/08++</u>	<u>9/10-12/08</u>	<u>6/08</u>	<u>2/08</u>	<u>12/07</u>	<u>10/05<sup>1</sup></u>	<u>3/05<sup>1</sup></u>	<u>8/04<sup>1</sup></u>	<u>3/04<sup>1</sup></u>	<u>1/03<sup>1</sup></u>
		-	1	1	2	4	5	4	4	4	1
		7	10	6	14	22	27	37	33	32	18
		28	32	29	39	39	46	41	42	38	44
		65	56	63	44	33	22	18	21	26	36
		-	1	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	1
	<u>1/02<sup>1</sup></u>	<u>9/10-12/08</u>	<u>6/08</u>	<u>2/08</u>	<u>12/07</u>	<u>10/05<sup>1</sup></u>	<u>3/05<sup>1</sup></u>	<u>8/04<sup>1</sup></u>	<u>3/04<sup>1</sup></u>	<u>1/03<sup>1</sup></u>	<u>1/02<sup>1</sup></u>
	1	1	1	2	4	5	4	4	4	1	1
	26	10	6	14	22	27	37	33	32	18	26
	48	32	29	39	39	46	41	42	38	44	48
	24	56	63	44	33	22	18	21	26	36	24
	1	1	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	1	1

[155]

+ Results are among registered voters.

++ Results for 9/18, 20-21/08 among likely voters.

<sup>1</sup>Comparative data prior to 12/07 comes from surveys among registered likely voters conducted by The Tarrance Group and/or Lake, Snell, Perry, Mermin Associates.

4b. And over the course of the next year, do you think the state of the economy will get better, stay about the same, or get worse?

	<u>3/18</u>	<u>12/17</u>	<u>9/17</u>	<u>6/17</u>	<u>4/17</u>	<u>12/16</u>	<u>10/16+</u>	<u>6/16+</u>	<u>3/16</u>	
Will get better.....	38	41	36	38	40	42	25	20	21	[156]
Will stay about the same.....	28	30	30	28	29	27	32	36	41	
Will get worse .....	28	25	23	29	26	23	20	26	25	
Not sure.....	6	4	11	5	5	8	23	18	13	
	<u>11- 12/15</u>	<u>10/15</u>	<u>6/15</u>	<u>3/15</u>	<u>11- 12/14</u>	<u>9/14</u>	<u>6/14</u>	<u>3/14</u>	<u>12/13</u>	
	22	22	24	28	27	23	28	29	26	
	45	37	44	41	39	42	40	37	40	
	25	32	26	25	28	28	28	30	30	
	8	9	6	6	6	7	4	4	4	
	<u>9/13</u>	<u>6/13</u>	<u>3/13</u>	<u>11/12</u>	<u>9/12</u>	<u>5/12</u>	<u>3/12</u>	<u>11/11</u>	<u>6/11</u>	
	28	34	32	37	35	33	36	27	30	
	33	35	31	23	23	37	31	43	36	
	35	27	33	35	25	21	27	26	30	
	4	4	4	5	17	9	6	4	4	
	<u>3/11</u>	<u>12/10</u>	<u>10/10</u>	<u>12/09</u>	<u>12/08</u>	<u>9/18, 20-21/08++</u>	<u>9/10- 12/08</u>	<u>6/08</u>	<u>2/08</u>	
	29	37	37	43	39	42	28	21	24	
	30	37	35	29	30	28	35	27	34	
	37	21	26	25	27	23	26	43	34	
	4	5	2	3	4	7	11	9	8	

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++ Results for 9/18, 20-21/08 among likely voters.

4ab. How would you rate the current state of the economy? Would you say it is excellent, good, only fair, or poor? And over the course of the next year, do you think the state of the economy will get better, stay about the same, or get worse?

<b>Q.4a and Q.4b COMBINED: CURRENT AND FUTURE VIEW OF THE ECONOMY</b>									
	<u>3/18</u>	<u>12/17</u>	<u>9/17</u>	<u>6/17</u>	<u>4/17</u>	<u>12/16</u>	<u>10/16+</u>	<u>6/16+</u>	<u>3/16</u>
Optimistic now/optimistic for the future.....	42	43	34	30	30	20	18	19	21
Optimistic now/pessimistic for the future .....	7	5	5	7	7	10	1	4	3
Pessimistic now/optimistic for the future.....	10	10	14	17	22	31	15	12	13
Pessimistic now/pessimistic for the future ....	33	36	34	39	35	30	42	47	49
Not sure for now or the future.....	8	6	13	7	6	9	24	18	14
	11- <u>12/15</u>	<u>10/15</u>	<u>6/15</u>	<u>3/15</u>	11- <u>12/14</u>	<u>9/14</u>	<u>6/14</u>	<u>3/14</u>	<u>12/13</u>
	20	19	21	23	23	15	16	15	14
	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1
	13	14	15	15	15	16	18	19	16
	55	56	55	53	53	59	59	60	63
	9	9	7	7	7	8	5	5	6
	<u>9/13</u>	<u>6/13</u>	<u>3/13</u>	<u>11/12</u>	<u>9/12</u>	<u>5/12</u>	<u>3/12</u>	<u>11/11</u>	<u>6/11</u>
	12	15	13	13	8	9	10	6	6
	2	1	1	-	1	-	1	1	1
	20	24	22	26	28	27	28	23	25
	61	55	59	56	45	55	54	65	63
	5	5	5	5	18	9	7	5	5
	<u>3/11</u>	<u>12/10</u>	<u>10/10</u>	<u>12/09</u>	<u>12/08</u>	9/18, <u>20-21/08++</u>	9/10- <u>12/08</u>	<u>6/08</u>	<u>2/08</u>
	7	7	7	5	4	6	8	5	13
	1	-	1	1	1	-	2	1	2
	25	32	31	39	37	64	23	18	18
	63	56	59	52	54	23	55	66	58
	4	5	2	3	4	7	12	10	9

+ Results are among registered voters.  
 ++ Results for 9/18, 20-21/08 among likely voters.

5ab. Are you currently employed? **(IF RESPONDENT SAYS "NO," ASK:)** Are you a student, a homemaker, retired, or unemployed and looking for work? **(IF RESPONDENT SAYS "YES, CURRENTLY EMPLOYED," ASK:)** What type of work do you do?

<b>Currently Employed</b>	<b>60</b>	
Professional/manager.....	21	[158]
White-collar worker.....	18	<b>CONTINUE</b>
Blue-collar worker.....	20	
Farmer/rancher.....	1	
<b>Not Currently Employed</b>	<b>40</b>	
Student.....	4	
Homemaker.....	4	
Retired.....	26	<b>Skip to Q.9</b>
Unemployed, looking for work .....	3	
Volunteer (VOL).....	-	
Disabled (VOL).....	2	
Not sure/refused.....	1	

**(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY "YES, EMPLOYED" IN Q.5a.)**

6a. Over the next twelve months, do you expect that your wages will increase, decrease, or stay about the same? [161]

**(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY "INCREASE" IN Q.6a.)**

6b. If you had to give your best estimate, by what percentage do you expect your wages to increase over the next twelve months? Please use only whole numbers, without any decimals.

**(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY "DECREASE" IN Q.6a.)**

6c. If you had to give your best estimate, by what percentage do you expect your wages to decrease over the next twelve months? Please use only whole numbers, without any decimals.

EMPLOYED ADULTS										
	3/18	12/17	9/17	6/17	4/17	12/16	10/16+	6/16+	3/16	11-12/15
Decrease.....	1	4	3	3	4	4	4	5	4	3
Stay the same.....	58	54	55	53	56	54	58	59	61	62
<b>Total increase.....</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>35</b>
Increase—1% to 3%.....	11	13	13	13	13	12	11	13	11	9
Increase—4% to 10%.....	17	17	19	18	14	13	17	13	13	11
Increase—11% or more.....	10	9	7	11	12	15	7	8	8	12
Increase—not sure how much.....	3	3	3	2	1	2	3	2	3	3
<b>Mean.....</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>3.8</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>4.2</b>
<b>Median.....</b>	<b>-1.3</b>	<b>-0.3</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>-0.7</b>	<b>-0.4</b>	<b>-0.7</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>-0.5</b>	<b>-0.3</b>
	10/15	6/15	3/15	11-12/14	9/14	6/14	3/14	12/13	9/13	6/13
Decrease.....	4	3	4	4	4	6	6	7	9	7
Stay the same.....	56	59	58	56	62	56	61	56	57	52
<b>Total increase.....</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>41</b>
Increase—1% to 3%.....	15	14	11	14	10	15	10	11	11	13
Increase—4% to 10%.....	15	15	15	15	13	14	13	15	12	15
Increase—11% or more.....	8	8	10	9	8	7	8	7	9	11
Increase—not sure how much.....	2	1	2	2	3	2	2	4	2	2
<b>Mean.....</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>3.9</b>
<b>Median.....</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>-0.7</b>	<b>-0.6</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>-0.6</b>	<b>-0.3</b>	<b>-0.3</b>	<b>-0.2</b>
	3/13	11/12	9/12	5/12	3/12	11/11	6/11	3/11	12/10	10/10
Decrease.....	10	6	8	5	8	7	9	9	7	9
Stay the same.....	58	61	62	65	60	62	62	64	62	66
<b>Total increase.....</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>25</b>
Increase—1% to 3%.....	11	8	11	10	10	9	10	11	9	7
Increase—4% to 10%.....	13	13	11	11	12	13	10	8	11	12
Increase—11% or more.....	6	9	6	7	7	7	7	6	9	5
Increase—not sure how much.....	2	3	2	2	3	2	2	2	2	1
<b>Mean.....</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>1.4</b>
<b>Median.....</b>	<b>-0.3</b>	<b>-0.3</b>	<b>-1.0</b>	<b>-0.6</b>	<b>-0.3</b>	<b>-1.0</b>	<b>-0.7</b>	<b>-1.1</b>	<b>-0.3</b>	<b>-0.4</b>
	8/10 <sup>1</sup>	12/09	12/08	9/08	6/08	2/08	12/07	10/07	6/07	3/07
Decrease.....	10	11	7	4	6	4	2	4	2	4
Stay the same.....	63	61	52	53	56	47	42	43	48	41
<b>Total increase.....</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>55</b>
Increase—1% to 3%.....	NA	8	11	14	11	13	18	15	12	15
Increase—4% to 10%.....	NA	10	18	19	17	22	25	26	25	21
Increase—11% or more.....	NA	8	9	8	7	11	9	11	10	16
Increase—not sure how much.....	NA	2	3	2	3	3	4	1	3	3
<b>Mean.....</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>5.4</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>6.1</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>7.3</b>
<b>Median.....</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>-0.7</b>	<b>-0.6</b>	<b>-0.3</b>	<b>-0.5</b>	<b>-0.1</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1.6</b>

<sup>1</sup>Comparative data for August 2010 comes from a survey conducted for NBC News and *The Wall Street Journal*.  
 + Results are among registered voters.

**(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY "YES, EMPLOYED" IN Q.5a.)**

7. How confident are you that if you were to leave your current job you would be able to find a new job in the area where you live, with similar or better pay and benefits, within a couple of months? Are you very confident, pretty confident, not that confident, or not confident at all?

Employed Adults		
Very confident .....	31	[177]
Pretty confident .....	30	
Not that confident .....	17	
Not confident at all .....	20	
Not sure .....	2	
<b>Total Confident</b>	<b>61</b>	
<b>Total Not Confident</b>	<b>37</b>	

**(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY "YES, EMPLOYED" IN Q.5a.)**

8. In the industry in which you work, would you say there are more jobs available than there are workers, more workers available than there are jobs, or are there about equal numbers of jobs and workers?

Employed Adults		
More jobs than workers .....	37	[178]
More workers than jobs .....	21	
Equal numbers of jobs and workers .....	37	
Not sure .....	5	

9. Do you expect the value of your home to increase, decrease, or stay about the same over the next twelve months? If you do not own your home, please just say so.

	Homeowners									[179]
	3/18 <sup>1</sup>	12/17	9/17	6/17	4/17	12/16	10/16+	6/16+	3/16	
Increase.....	49	44	43	54	45	41	38	34	37	
Decrease .....	6	5	6	6	6	4	5	7	8	
Stay about the same.....	43	49	46	40	49	55	57	51	55	
Not sure.....	2	2	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	

+ Results are among registered voters.

<sup>1</sup> Results shown among respondents who own their home, consisting of 77% in 3/18, 74% in 12/17, 74% in 9/17, 72% in 6/17, 71% in 4/17, 70% in 12/16, 78% in 10/16, 80% in 6/16, 76% in 3/16.

Q.9 (cont'd)

HOMEOWNERS										
	<u>12/16</u> <sup>1</sup>	<u>11-12/15</u>	<u>6/15</u>	<u>3/15</u>	<u>11-12/14</u>	<u>9/14</u>	<u>6/14</u>	<u>3/14</u>	<u>12/13</u>	<u>9/13</u>
<b>Own Their Home</b>										
Decrease.....	4	7	8	8	6	9	9	10	10	14
Stay the same .....	55	57	52	60	60	63	55	59	56	54
<b>Total increase .....</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>32</b>
Increase—1% to 4% .....	10	11	13	10	10	7	10	10	6	10
Increase—5% to 9% .....	10	9	13	9	10	9	11	8	14	9
Increase—10% or more .....	16	11	12	10	11	10	11	10	11	9
Increase—not sure how much.....	5	5	2	3	3	2	4	3	3	4
<b>Mean .....</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>0.8</b>
<b>Median .....</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>-0.3</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>-0.3</b>	<b>-0.6</b>	<b>-0.7</b>	<b>-0.3</b>	<b>-0.3</b>	<b>-0.6</b>	<b>-0.3</b>
		<u>6/13</u>	<u>3/13</u>	<u>11/12</u>	<u>9/12</u>	<u>5/12</u>	<u>3/12</u>	<u>11/11</u>	<u>6/11</u>	<u>3/11</u>
<b>Own Their Home</b>										
Decrease.....		14	13	13	19	16	20	20	30	24
Stay the same .....		48	54	63	54	62	58	65	55	58
<b>Total increase .....</b>		<b>38</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>18</b>
Increase—1% to 4% .....		9	10	9	7	6	6	4	4	5
Increase—5% to 9% .....		11	10	5	7	6	5	3	3	5
Increase—10% or more .....		15	10	6	10	7	9	5	6	6
Increase—not sure how much.....		3	3	4	3	3	2	3	2	2
<b>Mean .....</b>		<b>3.1</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>-0.1</b>	<b>-0.5</b>	<b>-1.6</b>	<b>-1.2</b>
<b>Median .....</b>		<b>-0.3</b>	<b>-0.3</b>	<b>-0.4</b>	<b>-0.4</b>	<b>-0.9</b>	<b>-0.5</b>	<b>-0.5</b>	<b>-0.6</b>	<b>-0.5</b>
		<u>10/10</u>	<u>12/09</u>	<u>12/08</u>	<u>9/08</u>	<u>6/08</u>	<u>2/08</u>	<u>12/07</u>	<u>10/07</u>	<u>3/07</u>
<b>Own Their Home</b>										
Decrease.....		21	20	22	20	23	20	16	11	9
Stay the same .....		60	59	61	56	54	54	50	49	43
<b>Total increase .....</b>		<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>48</b>
Increase—1% to 4% .....		6	4	4	6	5	5	6	8	12
Increase—5% to 9% .....		4	6	5	7	6	8	9	9	13
Increase—10% or more .....		6	8	5	9	9	9	13	17	19
Increase—not sure how much.....		3	3	3	2	3	4	6	6	4
<b>Mean .....</b>		<b>-0.6</b>	<b>-0.3</b>	<b>-1.6</b>	<b>-0.3</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>-0.3</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>3.9</b>	<b>4.0</b>
<b>Median .....</b>		<b>-0.5</b>	<b>-0.5</b>	<b>-0.5</b>	<b>-0.5</b>	<b>-1.0</b>	<b>-0.5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

<sup>1</sup>Results shown among respondents who own their home, consisting of 70% in 12/16, 78% in 10/16, 80% in 6/16, 76% in 3/16, 77% in 12/15, 74% in 6/15, 71% in 3/15, 83% in 11-12/14, 72% in 9/14, 80% in 6/14, 77% in 3/14, 76% in 12/13, 78% in 9/13, 77% in 6/13, 74% in 3/13, 74% in 11/12, 77% in 9/12, 76% in 5/12, 77% in 3/12, 77% in 11/11, 75% in 6/11, 78% in 3/11, 80% in 12/10, 83% in 10/10, 84% in 12/09, 77% in 12/08, 85% in 9/08, 86% in 6/08, 81% in 2/08, 82% in 12/07, 82% in 10/07, and 84% in 3/07.



10. Do you have money invested in the stock market or mutual funds, including IRAs and 401Ks? **(IF RESPONDENT SAYS "YES," ASK:)** And is the value of these investments above or below fifty thousand dollars?

	<u>3/18</u>	<u>12/17</u>	<u>9/17</u>	<u>6/17</u>	<u>4/17</u>	<u>12/16</u>	<u>10/16+</u>	<u>6/16+</u>	
<b>Yes, Have Money invested</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>59</b>	
Above \$50,000.....	30	32	29	32	31	26	34	31	[209]
Below \$50,000.....	22	18	18	16	16	19	19	21	
Not sure.....	6	4	7	5	6	5	8	7	
No, no money invested.....	40	45	44	45	45	48	37	38	
Not sure/refused.....	2	1	2	2	2	2	2	3	
		11- <u>3/16</u>	<u>12/15</u>	<u>10/15</u>	<u>6/15</u>	<u>3/15</u>	11- <u>12/14</u>	<u>9/14</u>	<u>6/14</u>
		<b>53</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>49</b>
		31	28	30	26	26	24	25	28
		16	19	18	15	17	18	18	16
		6	7	6	6	6	9	6	5
		45	44	43	49	49	47	49	49
		2	2	3	4	2	2	2	2
		<u>3/14</u>	<u>12/13</u>	<u>9/13</u>	<u>6/13</u>	<u>3/13</u>	<u>11/12</u>	<u>9/12</u>	<u>5/12</u>
		<b>52</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>52</b>
		29	28	28	26	29	25	28	26
		18	20	17	16	20	21	19	21
		5	5	6	6	6	5	5	5
		47	46	47	50	43	47	46	46
		1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2
		<u>3/12</u>	<u>11/11</u>	<u>6/11</u>	<u>3/11</u>	<u>12/10</u>	<u>10/10</u>	<u>12/09</u>	<u>12/08</u>
		<b>49</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>50</b>
		24	27	29	25	27	20	21	22
		19	19	19	21	20	25	25	28
		6	5	4	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
		49	47	46	47	45	44	42	42
		2	2	2	7	8	11	12	8

+ Results are among registered voters.

11. In your opinion, would you say this is a good time or a bad time to be investing in the stock market? **(IF RESPONDENT SAYS "GOOD TIME" OR "BAD TIME," ASK:)** Would you say it is a very (good time/bad time) or just a somewhat (good time/bad time)?

	<u>3/18</u>	<u>12/17</u>	<u>9/17</u>	<u>6/17</u>	<u>4/17</u>	<u>12/16</u>	<u>10/16+</u>	<u>6/16+</u>	<u>3/16</u>	
Very good time.....	16	20	13	14	12	11	6	6	4	[212]
Just a somewhat good time .....	25	30	29	30	35	29	24	26	27	
Just a somewhat bad time .....	21	23	22	22	20	23	27	27	33	
Very bad time.....	9	6	7	9	8	11	13	13	12	
Not sure .....	29	21	29	25	25	26	30	28	24	
<b>Total Good Time</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>31</b>	
<b>Total Bad Time</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>45</b>	
		<u>11-12/15</u>	<u>10/15</u>	<u>6/15</u>	<u>3/15</u>	<u>11-12/14</u>	<u>9/14</u>	<u>6/14</u>	<u>3/14</u>	
		5	5	8	9	12	7	9	10	
		32	28	31	30	29	24	27	29	
		26	31	25	25	22	29	26	25	
		11	15	9	9	8	11	13	14	
		26	21	27	27	29	29	25	22	
<b>Total Good Time</b>		<b>37</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>39</b>	
<b>Total Bad Time</b>		<b>37</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>39</b>	
		<u>12/13</u>	<u>9/13</u>	<u>6/13</u>	<u>3/13</u>	<u>11/12</u>	<u>9/12</u>	<u>5/12</u>	<u>3/12</u>	
		9	8	10	9	7	7	4	7	
		29	30	26	31	24	23	26	24	
		27	26	23	26	30	30	33	33	
		12	13	15	13	17	18	19	16	
		23	23	26	21	22	22	18	20	
<b>Total Good Time</b>		<b>38</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	
<b>Total Bad Time</b>		<b>39</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>49</b>	
		<u>11/11</u>	<u>6/11</u>	<u>3/11</u>	<u>12/10</u>	<u>10/10</u>	<u>12/09</u>	<u>12/08</u>	<u>10/07</u>	
		7	7	8	7	6	12	15	13	
		22	24	27	28	31	29	23	36	
		31	33	31	31	31	24	22	18	
		22	17	15	15	20	24	30	9	
		18	19	19	19	12	11	10	24	
<b>Total Good Time</b>		<b>29</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>49</b>	
<b>Total Bad Time</b>		<b>53</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>27</b>	

+ Results are among registered voters.

**Changing topics...**

12. When it comes to each of the following, which party do you think would do a better job--the Democratic Party, the Republican Party, or both about the same? If you think that neither would do a good job, please just say so.

*THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE DIFFERENTIAL (DEMOCRAT MINUS REPUBLICAN)*

	<u>Party Advantage</u>	<u>Democratic Party</u>	<u>Republican Party</u>	<u>Both About The Same</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>
<b>Looking out for the middle class</b>						
March 2018 .....	D-12	40	28	12	16	4
December 2017 <sup>1</sup> .....	D-14	40	26	13	21	-
June 2017 .....	D-13	42	29	10	17	2
April 2016+ .....	D-17	44	27	11	18	-
July 2015 .....	D-15	40	25	13	20	2
September 2013 .....	D-17	41	24	14	19	2
February 2013 .....	D-22	46	24	11	19	-
June 2012 .....	D-19	45	26	9	18	2
December 2011 .....	D-20	44	24	12	17	3
October 1996 .....	D-20	47	27	7	13	6
December 1995 .....	D-19	43	24	10	19	4
October 1994 .....	D-19	37	28	11	20	4
October 1993 .....	D-20	42	22	22	12	2
January 1992+ .....	D-22	37	15	27	16	5
October 1991+ .....	D-28	47	19	11	16	7
October 1990+ .....	D-29	47	18	16	14	5
November 1989+ .....	D-23	44	21	16	12	7
<b>Dealing with the economy</b>						
March 2018 .....	R-9	25	34	20	16	5
December 2017 <sup>1</sup> .....	D-5	35	30	14	19	2
June 2017 .....	R-7	29	36	18	15	2
April 2016+ .....	R-3	34	37	16	12	1
July 2015 .....	R-6	31	37	15	15	2
Oct. 30 – Nov. 1, 2014+ .....	R-9	30	39	15	16	-
September 2014+ .....	R-10	26	36	17	18	3
December 2013 .....	R-10	26	36	17	19	2
September 2013 .....	R-4	29	33	19	17	2
February 2013 .....	D-2	32	30	16	20	2
June 2012 .....	R-6	31	37	13	16	3
December 2011 .....	R-3	28	31	18	20	3
April 2011 .....	-	29	29	20	20	2
October 14-18, 2010+ .....	R-1	35	36	14	14	1
August 5-9, 2010+ .....	R-2	32	34	16	17	2
March 2010 .....	-	31	31	18	18	2
July 2009 .....	D-6	35	29	19	14	3
July 2008+ .....	D-16	41	25	14	14	6
January 2008 .....	D-18	43	25	21	8	3
July 2007 .....	D-15	41	26	17	12	4
October 13-16, 2006+ .....	D-13	43	30	17	7	3
September 2006+ .....	D-12	40	28	17	10	5
March 2006 .....	D-12	39	27	20	11	3
November 2005 .....	D-14	39	25	17	14	5
December 2004 .....	D-9	39	30	20	7	4
July 2004+ .....	D-8	40	32	19	7	2
January 2004+ .....	R-2	36	38	15	8	2

<sup>1</sup> All comparative data comes from surveys conducted for NBC News and *The Wall Street Journal*.  
 + Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Q.12 (cont'd)	Party	Democratic	Republican	Both About	Neither	Not
	<u>Advantage</u>	<u>Party</u>	<u>Party</u>	<u>The Same</u>	<u>The Same</u>	<u>Sure</u>
December 13, 2003.....	R-1	37	38	14	7	5
October 2002+.....	D-6	36	30	21	9	4
June 2002.....	D-1	32	31	24	9	4
June 2001.....	D-6	37	31	20	6	6
December 1999.....	D-3	34	31	24	7	4
March 1999.....	D-6	35	29	26	6	4
September 1998.....	-	31	31	29	6	3
September 1997.....	R-9	25	34	26	9	6
October 1996.....	D-4	36	32	15	10	7
May 1996+.....	R-4	26	30	27	14	3
December 1995.....	R-8	22	30	27	17	4
June 1995.....	R-12	17	29	29	23	2
October 1994.....	R-8	22	30	28	16	4
July 1994.....	R-11	18	29	32	17	4
June 1994.....	R-5	21	26	39	12	2
October 1993.....	R-5	22	27	20	28	3
March 1993.....	D-16	34	18	34	11	3
July 1992+.....	D-8	26	18	35	18	3
May 1992.....	D-6	29	23	26	17	5
January 1992+.....	D-5	28	23	33	12	4
October 1991+.....	R-1	27	28	26	14	5
<b>Creating jobs</b>						
March 2018.....	R-9	28	37	18	12	5

<sup>1</sup> All comparative data comes from surveys conducted for NBC News and *The Wall Street Journal*.  
 + Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

**(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY "YES, EMPLOYED" IN Q.5a.)**

13a. Would you say that, so far this year, you have more take-home pay due to lower federal taxes, or is this not the case?

Employed Adults		
Have more take-home pay .....	32	<b>CONTINUE</b> [216]
Do not have more take-home pay ....	52	<b>Skip to Q.14</b>
Not sure .....	16	

**(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY "HAVE MORE TAKE-HOME PAY" IN Q.13a.)**

13b. Does having this additional take-home pay help your personal financial situation a great deal, a fair amount, some, just a little, or not much at all?

	Employed Adults	
	All Employed Adults	Employed Adults w/More Take-home Pay
Helps a great deal .....	5	17
Helps a fair amount .....	7	21
Helps some .....	7	22
Helps just a little .....	6	18
Does not help much at all .....	7	22
Not sure .....	-	-
Do not have more take-home pay/Not sure (Q.13a)....	68	NA
<b>Total A Great Deal/Fair Amount</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>38</b>
<b>Total Some/Just A Little</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>40</b>

14. Would you say that trade with the following represents more of an economic threat to the United States, more of an economic opportunity for the United States, or neither a threat nor an opportunity?

*THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY*

	<u>Economic Threat</u>	<u>Economic Opportunity</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>	
<b>Canada</b>					[221]
March 2018 .....	4	62	24	10	
March 2016 .....	4	56	32	8	
<b>Europe</b>					[222]
March 2018 .....	7	54	26	13	
<b>Mexico</b>					[220]
March 2018 .....	18	46	25	11	
March 2016 .....	27	38	24	11	
<b>China</b>					[219]
March 2018 .....	37	33	17	13	
March 2016 .....	49	29	13	9	

- 15ab. Recently a plan was announced to charge a tax, or tariff, on steel and aluminum imported from other countries, except from Mexico and Canada. Do you favor or oppose this plan? If you do not have an opinion about this plan, please say so. **(IF RESPONDENT SAYS "FAVOR" OR "OPPOSE" ASK:)** And do you strongly (favor/oppose) or somewhat (favor/oppose) this plan?

Strongly favor .....	16	[225]
Somewhat favor .....	13	
Somewhat oppose .....	12	
Strongly oppose .....	23	
No opinion .....	30	
Not sure .....	6	
<b>Total Favor</b>	<b>29</b>	
<b>Total Oppose</b>	<b>35</b>	

16. Do you think these steel and aluminum tariffs would be good for, would be bad for, or would have no real effect on each of the following? If you are not sure about any of these, please say so.

*THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY WOULD BE GOOD FOR*

	<b>Differential (Good Minus Bad)</b>	<u>Would Be Good For</u>	<u>Would Be Bad For</u>	<u>Would Have No Real Effect On</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>	
The U.S. steel and aluminum industries .....	<b>21</b>	45	24	11	20	[227]
The overall U.S. economy.....	<b>-5</b>	28	33	15	24	[226]
Other U.S. industries.....	<b>-8</b>	25	33	16	26	[228]
Prices that U.S. consumers pay for goods.....	<b>-25</b>	19	44	16	21	[229]

[Q17 AND Q18 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE]

**FACTUALS: Now I am going to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes only.**

F1a. A lot of people are unable to get out and vote for many reasons. Did you happen to vote in the 2016 election for president?

Yes, voted .....	82	<b>CONTINUE</b>	[246]
No, did not vote .....	17	<b>Skip to Q.F1c</b>	
Not sure .....	1		

F1bc. For whom did you vote in the 2016 election for president--Hillary Clinton, Donald Trump, Gary Johnson, Jill Stein, or someone else? **(IF RESPONDENT SAYS "NO, DID NOT VOTE" OR "NOT SURE," ASK:)** Even though you did not vote in the election, which candidate did you support and want to win--Hillary Clinton, Donald Trump, Gary Johnson, or Jill Stein, or did you not support any of them?

Voted for/supported Hillary Clinton .....	36	[249]
Voted for/supported Donald Trump .....	35	
Voted for/supported Gary Johnson .....	4	
Voted for/supported Jill Stein .....	2	
Voted for someone else .....	7	
Did not vote/did not support any .....	7	
Not sure .....	9	

F2. What is the last grade that you completed in school?

Grade school .....	1	[250-251]
Some high school .....	5	
High school graduate .....	26	
Some college, no degree .....	17	
Vocational training/2-year college .....	13	
4-year college/bachelor's degree .....	20	
Some postgraduate work, no degree .....	3	
2 or 3 years' postgraduate work/master's degree .....	11	
Doctoral/law degree .....	3	
Not sure/refused .....	1	

F3ab. Thinking about your general approach to issues, do you consider yourself to be liberal, moderate, or conservative? **(IF RESPONDENT SAYS "LIBERAL" OR "CONSERVATIVE," ASK:)** Do you consider yourself to be very (liberal/conservative) or somewhat (liberal/conservative)?

Very liberal .....	11	[252/253]
Somewhat liberal .....	14	
Moderate .....	33	
Somewhat conservative .....	21	
Very conservative .....	14	
Not sure .....	7	
<b>Total Liberal</b>	<b>25</b>	
<b>Total Conservative</b>	<b>35</b>	

F4. How would you describe your economic circumstances--poor, working class, middle class, upper-middle class, or well-to-do?

Poor .....	9	[255]
Working class .....	24	
Middle class .....	44	
Upper-middle class .....	18	
Well-to-do .....	1	
Not sure .....	4	

F5. If you added together the yearly income of all the members of your family who were living at home last year, what would the total be? I'm going to read some income ranges, please stop me when I reach the range for your family--less than ten thousand dollars, between ten thousand dollars and twenty thousand dollars, between twenty thousand dollars and thirty thousand dollars, between thirty thousand dollars and forty thousand dollars, between forty thousand dollars and fifty thousand dollars, between fifty thousand dollars and seventy-five thousand dollars, between seventy-five thousand dollars and one hundred thousand dollars, between one hundred thousand dollars and two hundred thousand dollars, or more than two hundred thousand dollars?

Less than \$10,000.....	4	[256-257]
Between \$10,000 and \$20,000.....	8	
Between \$20,000 and \$30,000.....	8	
Between \$30,000 and \$40,000.....	16	
Between \$40,000 and \$50,000.....	10	
Between \$50,000 and \$75,000.....	12	
Between \$75,000 and \$100,000.....	10	
Between \$100,000 and \$200,000.....	14	
More than \$200,000 .....	5	
Not sure/refused.....	13	