



Interviews with 1,031 adult Americans conducted by telephone by Opinion Research Corporation on June 8-11, 2006. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus three percentage points and for results based on half-samples is plus or minus 4.5 percentage points

1. Do you think the Republicans in Congress or the Democrats in Congress would do a better job of securing the nation's borders?

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Republicans	31%
Democrats	35%
No opinion	33%

2. How confident are you that Congress and President Bush will pass new laws on immigration and border security that will improve the way the country handles this issue -- very confident, fairly confident, not very confident, or not confident at all?

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Very confident	11%
Fairly confident	24%
Not very confident	29%
Not confident at all	33%
No opinion	3%

3. Would you favor or oppose each of the following proposals: (ROTATE)

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	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
a. Building a fence along the 2,000-mile border with Mexico	45%	50%	5%
b. Imposing fines of tens of thousands of dollars on employers who hire illegal immigrants	60%	36%	4%
c. Sending employers who hire illegal immigrants to jail	40%	55%	5%
d. Putting more Border Patrol and federal law enforcement agents on the U.S. border with Mexico	78%	19%	3%
e. Sending National Guard troops to the U.S. border with Mexico	56%	40%	4%

4. Do you approve or disapprove of the U.S. government deporting illegal immigrants to the country they came from? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE)

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Approve	67%
Disapprove	25%
No opinion	8%

5. Would you like to see the number of illegal immigrants currently in this country increased, decreased, or remain the same? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE)

- 5A. (IF DECREASED) Would you like to see the number of illegal immigrants decreased only a little, decreased a lot, or would you like to see all illegal immigrants who are currently in the country removed from the U.S.?

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Q. 5 ONLY

Increased	2%
Remain the same	26%
Decreased	67%
No opinion	6%

Q. 5 AND Q.5A COMBINED

Increased	2%
Remain the same	26%
Decreased a little	15%
Decreased a lot	18%
Remove all illegal immigrants	34%
No opinion	6%

6. Do you think children born in the United States whose parents are not U.S. citizens should or should not automatically become U.S. citizens?

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Should become citizens	54%
Should not become citizens	40%
No opinion	6%

7. Do you think the government of Mexico encourages or discourages illegal immigration of its citizens into the United States?

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Encourages	59%
Discourages	18%
No opinion	24%

8. Do you think the government of Mexico has or has not done enough to stop illegal drugs from coming into the United States? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE)

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Done enough	8%
Not done enough	83%
No opinion	9%

9. Do you think the government of Mexico is very responsible, somewhat responsible, not very responsible, or not responsible at all for the amount of illegal drugs currently coming into the United States? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE)

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Very responsible	32%
Somewhat responsible	36%
Not very responsible	14%
Not responsible at all	13%
No opinion	5%

10. Do you favor a law making English the official language of the United States, or do you oppose such a law?

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Favor	75%
Oppose	22%
No opinion	3%

TREND FROM GENERAL SOCIAL SURVEY CONDUCTED IN 2000
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Favor	73%
Oppose	21%
No opinion	6%

11. Do you think people who cannot read or write English should be permitted to vote, or not?

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Permitted to vote	41%
Not permitted to vote	53%
No opinion	5%

TREND FROM GALLUP POLL CONDUCTED JULY, 1965

Permitted to vote	48%
Not permitted to vote	48%
No opinion	4%

ROTATE NEXT THREE QUESTIONS

12. Do you think people from other countries who want to immigrate to the U.S. should or should not be required to have a certain level of education?

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Should be required	46%
Should not be required	47%
No opinion	7%

13. Do you think people from other countries who want to immigrate to the U.S. should or should not be required to show they have a certain level of job skills?

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Should be required	63%
Should not be required	32%
No opinion	5%

14. Do you think people from other countries who want to immigrate to the U.S. should or should not be required to show they do not have a criminal record?

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Should be required	93%
Should not be required	5%
No opinion	1%

ROTATE NEXT FOUR QUESTIONS

15. When someone is arrested, do you think the police should be required to determine whether that person is a U.S. citizen?

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Should be required	83%
Should not be required	14%
No opinion	3%

16. When someone applies to a social service agency for assistance such as welfare or food stamps do you think that agency should or should not be required to check whether that person is a U.S. citizen and record their citizenship status?

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Should be required	91%
Should not be required	7%
No opinion	2%

17. When someone goes to a hospital for treatment, do you think the hospital should or should not be required to check whether that person is a U.S. citizen and record their citizenship status?

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Should be required	43%
Should not be required	51%
No opinion	6%

18. When someone applies for a job, do you think the employer should or should not check whether that person is a U.S. citizen and record their citizenship status?

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Should check	91%
Should not check	7%
No opinion	2%

19. Which of the following statements comes closer to your view: (ROTATE)

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The U.S. could prevent all illegal immigration if it enforced its existing laws on immigration and border security	40%
The U.S. needs to pass new laws to deal with illegal immigration	52%
No opinion	8%

20. Which of the following statements comes closer to your view of illegal immigrants: (ROTATE)

They strengthen the economy by increasing the number of people who buy goods and services and by providing low-wage labor that allows businesses to keep their prices low	30%
They weaken the economy by using public services like health care and by allowing companies to pay lower wages to other workers	58%
No opinion	12%