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Study #11825c--page 1 CNBC AAES Third Quarter Survey

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**FINAL** 

48 Male 52 Female [109]

Dates: October 21-24, 2016

Interviews: 804 registered voters

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Please note: all results are shown as percentages unless otherwise stated.

# The margin of error for 804 interviews among registered voters is $\pm 3.5\%$

Unless otherwise noted by a "+", all previous data shown reflects responses among all adults.

1a. Are you currently registered to vote in (STATE)?

Yes, registered	100	CONTINUE	[153]
No, not registered	-	TERMINATE	
Not sure/refused	-		

1b. For statistical purposes only, would you please tell me how old you are? (IF RESPONDENT REFUSES, ASK:) Well, would you tell me which age group you belong to? +

[154-155]

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

<sup>+</sup> Results are among registered voters.

1cd. And to ensure that we have a representative sample, would you please tell me whether you are from a Hispanic or Spanish-speaking background? And again, for statistical purposes only, what is your race—white, black or African American, Asian, or something else? +

White	73	[156-157]
Black or African American	11	
Hispanic	9	
Asian	2	
Other	3	
Not sure/refused	2	

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2a. How would you rate the current state of the economy? Would you say it is excellent, good, only fair, or poor?

Excellent	10/16+ 2 23 44 30 1	6/16+ 2 24 43 30 1	3/16 2 25 45 26 2	11- 12/15 2 23 42 31 2	10/15 1 22 42 33 2	6/15 2 22 44 30 2	3/15 2 25 42 29 2	11- 12/14 2 24 44 28 2	9/14 2 16 45 34 3	6/14 1 17 48 33 1	[158]
		<u>3/14</u>	<u>9/13</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>	
		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
		16	14	14	15	13	13	9	9	10	
		43	40	40 44	42	41 44	41 44	36 53	40 40	35	
		38 2	44 1	1	40 2	44	44 1	53 1	49 1	53 1	
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									9/18,	9/10-	
		<u>11/11</u>	6/11	3/11	<u>12/10</u>	10/10	12/09	12/08	<u>20-21/08</u> ++	12/08	
		1	1	-	1	1	1	-	-	1	
		7	6	8	6	7	6	4	7	10	
		30	37	37	39	30	33	25	28	32	
		61	55	54	53	62	60	70	65	56	
		1	1	1	1	-			-	1	
		6/08	2/08	12/07	10/05 <sup>1</sup>	3/05 <sup>1</sup>	<u>8/04</u> 1	<u>3/04</u> <sup>1</sup>	<u>1/03</u> 1	<u>1/02</u> 1	
		1	2	4	5	4	4	4	1	1	
		6	14	22	27	37	33	32	18	26	
		29	39	39	46	41	42	38	44	48	
		63	44	33	22	18	21	26	36	24	
		1	1	2	_	_	_	_	1	1	

<sup>+</sup> Results are among registered voters. ++ Results for 9/18, 20-21/08 among likely voters. ¹Comparative data prior to 12/07 comes from surveys among registered likely voters conducted by The Tarrance Group and/or Lake, Snell, Perry, Mermin Associates.

2b. 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?

Will get better Will stay about the same Will get worse Not sure	10/16+ 25 32 20 23	6/16+ 20 36 26 18	3/16 21 41 25 13	11- 12/15 22 45 25 8	10/15 22 37 32 9	6/15 24 44 26 6	3/15 28 41 25 6	11- 12/14 27 39 28 6	[159]
	<u>9/14</u>	<u>6/14</u>	<u>3/14</u>	<u>12/13</u>	9/13	<u>6/13</u>	<u>3/13</u>	<u>11/12</u>	
	23	28	29	26	28	34	32	37	
	42	40	37	40	33	35	31	23	
	28	28	30	30	35	27	33	35	
	7	4	4	4	4	4	4	5	
	0/10	E/10	2/42	44/44	6/11	2/11	10/10	10/10	
	<u>9/12</u> 35	<u>5/12</u> 33	<u>3/12</u> 36	<u>11/11</u> 27	<u>6/11</u> 30	<u>3/11</u> 29	<u>12/10</u> 37	<u>10/10</u> 37	
		33 37	30 31				37 37		
	23	_	-	43	36	30	_	35	
	25	21	27	26	30	37	21	26	
	17	9	6	4	4	4	5	2	
			9/18,	9/10-					
	12/09	12/08	20-21/08++	12/08	6/08	<u>2/08</u>			
	43	39	42	28	21	24			
	29	30	28	35	27	34			
	25	27	23	26	43	34			
	3	4	7	11	9	8			

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

3ab. 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, EMPLOYED," ASK:) What type of work do you do? +

Yes, Employed			
Professional/manager	23		[160-171]
White-collar worker	19	CONTINUE	
Blue-collar worker	14		
Farmer/rancher	1		
Not Currently Employed			
Student	4		
Homemaker	4		
Retired	28		
Unemployed, looking for work		Skip to Q.6	
Volunteer (VOL)			
Disabled (VOL)	3		
Not sure/refused			

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#### (ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY "YES, EMPLOYED" IN Q.3a.)

4a. Over the next twelve months, do you expect that your wages will increase, decrease, or stay about the same? [172]

# (ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY "INCREASE" IN Q.4a.)

4b. 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. [173-175]

# (ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY "DECREASE" IN Q.4a.)

4c. 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. [176-178]

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

<sup>+</sup> Results are among registered voters.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Comparative data for August 2010 comes from a survey conducted for NBC News and the Wall Street Journal.

5. 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.

	He	rs		
	<u>10/16</u> +	<u>6/16</u> +	3/16	
Increase	38	34	37	[179]
Decrease	5	7	8	
Stay about the same	57	51	55	
Do not own home	-	-	-	
Not sure	-	-	-	

<sup>+</sup> Results are among registered voters.

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

 $^{1}$ Results shown among respondents who own their home, consisting of 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.

6ab. Do you have money invested in the stock market and mutual funds, including IRAs and 401(k)s? (IF RESPONDENT SAYS "YES," ASK:) And is the value of these investments above or below fifty thousand dollars?

				11-				11-	
	<u>10/16</u> +	<u>6/16</u> +	<u>3/16</u>	<u>12/15</u>	<u>10/15</u>	<u>6/15</u>	<u>3/15</u>	<u>12/14</u>	
Yes, Have Money invested	61	59	53	54	54	47	49	51	
Above \$50,000	34	31	31	28	30	26	26	24	[180/208]
Below \$50,000	19	21	16	19	18	15	17	18	
Not sure	8	7	6	7	6	6	6	9	
No, no money invested	37	38	45	44	43	49	49	47	
Not sure/refused	2	3	2	2	3	4	2	2	
	9/14	<u>6/14</u>	<u>3/14</u>	12/13	9/13	<u>6/13</u>	<u>3/13</u>	<u>11/12</u>	
	49	49	52	53	51	48	55	51	
	25	28	29	28	28	26	29	25	
	18	16	18	20	17	16	20	21	
	6	5	5	5	6	6	6	5	
	49	49	47	46	47	50	43	47	
	2	2	1	1	2	2	2	2	
	9/12	<u>5/12</u>	<u>3/12</u>	<u>11/11</u>	<u>6/11</u>	<u>3/11</u>	12/10		
	52	52	49	51	52	46	47		
	28	26	24	27	29	25	27		
	19	21	19	19	19	21	20		
	5	5	6	5	4	NA	NA		
	46	46	49	47	46	47	45		
	2	2	2	2	2	7	8		

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_	10/10	12/09	12/08
Less than \$10,000	7	8	8
At least \$10,000 but less than \$50,000	13	13	14
At least \$50,000 but less than \$100,000	11	8	9
At least \$100,000 but less than \$200,000	7	8	9
At least \$200,000 but less than \$300,000	3	2	4
At least \$300,000 but less than \$500,000	2	2	4
At least \$500,000 but less than \$1,000,000	1	3	1
\$1,000,000 or more	1	2	1
No, no money invested in the stock market	44	42	42
Not sure/refused	11	12	8

7ab. 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)?

				11-				11-		
	<u>10/16</u> +	<u>6/16</u> +	3/16	12/15	<u>10/15</u>	6/15	3/15	12/14	9/14	
Very good time	6	6	4	5	5	8	9	12	7	[209-210]
Just a somewhat good time	24	26	27	32	28	31	30	29	24	-
Just a somewhat bad time	27	27	33	26	31	25	25	22	29	
Very bad time	13	13	12	11	15	9	9	8	11	
Not sure	30	28	24	26	21	27	27	29	29	
Total Good Time	30	32	31	37	33	39	39	41	31	•
Total Bad Time	40	40	45	37	46	34	34	30	40	
	<u>6/14</u>	<u>3/14</u>	12/13	9/13	6/13	3/13	11/12	9/12	5/12	
	9	10	9	8	10	9	7	7	4	
	27	29	29	30	26	31	24	23	26	
	26	25	27	26	23	26	30	30	33	
	13	14	12	13	15	13	17	18	19	
	25	22	23	23	26	21	22	22	18	_
Total Good Time	36	39	38	38	36	40	31	30	30	-
Total Bad Time	39	39	39	39	38	39	47	48	52	
	3/12	<u>11/11</u>	<u>6/11</u>	3/11	12/10	<u>10/10</u>	12/09	12/08	10/07	
	7	7	7	8	7	6	12	15	13	
	24	22	24	27	28	31	29	23	36	
	33	31	33	31	31	31	24	22	18	
	16	22	17	15	15	20	24	30	9	
	20	18	19	19	19	12	11	10	24	
Total Good Time	31	29	31	35	35	37	41	38	49	
Total Bad Time	49	53	50	46	46	51	48	52	27	

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8. As of right now, what issue will be the most important to you in next month's presidential election? (IF RESPONDENT SAYS MORE THAN ONE, ASK:) Well if you had to say just one, which issue will be the MOST important to you in the 2016 presidential election?

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE

	<u>10/16</u> +	<u>6/16</u> +	<u>3/16</u>	<u>3/15</u>	
The economy and unemployment	23	26	25	23	[211-213]
Foreign policy, world leadership, and combating terrorism	15	20	19	16	
Healthcare	14	11	9	17	
Taxes and government spending	13	12	14	15	
Political gridlock	10	8	9	7	
The environment and climate change	8	5	6	7	
Immigration reform	7	7	7	5	
Trade with other countries	2	2	2	NA	
Women's rights, social issues (VOL)	1	NA	NA	NA	
Other	3	3	5	3	
Not sure	4	6	4	5	

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#### Thinking again about next month's presidential election...

9ab. If the election for president were being held today between Hillary Clinton, the Democrat, Donald Trump, the Republican, Gary Johnson, the Libertarian Party candidate, and Jill Stein, the Green Party candidate, who would you vote for--Hillary Clinton, Donald Trump, Gary Johnson, or Jill Stein? (IF RESPONDENT SAYS "JOHNSON," "STEIN," "DEPENDS," "NONE/OTHER," OR "NOT SURE," ASK:) If the election were held today and the choice for president were between Donald Trump, the Republican candidate, and Hillary Clinton, the Democratic candidate, for whom would you vote?

	Registerd Voters+	Likely Voters++	
Donald Trump	33	34	[224-226]
Hillary Clinton	43	43	
Gary Johnson	7	7	
Jill Stein	2	2	
Depends (VOL)	1	1	
None/other (VOL)	5	4	
Not sure	9	9	

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<sup>++</sup> Results are among likely voters.

ALLOCATED 2-WAY VOTE							
	Regi Vot	Likely Voters					
	<u> 10/16</u> +	<u>6/16+</u>	<u>10/16</u> ++				
Donald Trump	37	35	37				
Hillary Clinton	46	40	47				
Depends (VOL)	-	2	-				
Neither (VOL)	8	14	8				
Other (VOL)	2	2	1				
Not sure	7	7	7				

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<sup>++</sup> Results are among likely voters

NBC News/Wall Street Journal 1								
	10/8-	10/16	9/	16				
•	RV+	<u>LV</u> ++	RV+	<u>LV</u> ++	<u>8/16</u> +	<u>7/16</u> +	<u>5/16</u> +	
Donald Trump	40	40	41	41	38	41	43	
Hillary Clinton	50	50	48	48	47	46	46	
Depends (VOL)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Neither/other (VOL)	7	7	4	4	11	9	9	
Not sure	3	3	4	4	4	4	2	
						10/25-		
	<u>4/16</u> +	<u>3/16+</u>	<u>2/16</u> +	<u>1/16</u> +	<u> 12/15</u> +	<u> 29/15</u> +	<u>9/15</u> +	
Donald Trump	39	38	40	41	40	42	39	
Hillary Clinton	50	51	50	51	50	50	49	
Depends (VOL)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Neither/other (VOL)	9	9	9	6	8	6		
Not sure	2	2	1	2	2	2	2	

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#### (ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY "DONALD TRUMP" IN Q.9a OR Q.9b.)

10a. Would you say your vote is more FOR Donald Trump or more AGAINST Hillary Clinton?

	<u> 10/16</u> +	9/16+1	<u>5/16</u> +1	
More for Donald Trump	40	41	42	[227]
More against Hillary Clinton	48	51	54	
Some of both (VOL)	10	7	3	
Not sure	2	1	1	

<sup>+</sup> Results are among registered voters

# (ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY "HILLARY CLINTON" IN Q.9a OR Q.9b.)

10b. Would you say your vote is more FOR Hillary Clinton or more AGAINST Donald Trump?

	<u>10/16</u> +	9/16+ <sup>1</sup>	5/16+1	
More for Hillary Clinton	51	50	44	[228]
More against Donald Trump	39	44	52	
Some of both (VOL)	9	5	4	
Not sure	1	1	-	

<sup>+</sup> Results are among registered voters

11. When it comes to each of the following things, please tell me whether you feel happy, satisfied, neutral, dissatisfied, or angry with how things are.

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY HAPPY OR SATISFIED

	Нарру	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Angry	Not <u>Sure</u>	
Your personal financial situation							[230]
October 2016+	18	38	20	18	5	1	
June 2016+	16	39	20	18	6	1	
March 2016	18	39	20	17	4	2	
The economic and financial system in the United States							[229]
October 2016+	5	14	20	44	14	3	
June 2016+	4	15	22	44	12	3	
March 2016	5	13	23	44	12	3	
The political system in Washington							[231]
October 2016+	2	7	10	50	29	2	
June 2016+	2	4	10	51	31	2	
March 2016	3	7	12	48	26	4	

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# Now focusing on just two of the candidates running for president...

12a. Which candidate for president would you say has the better policies and approaches to help each of the following—Hillary Clinton or Donald Trump?

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY HILLARY CLINTON

				Both The			
	Hillary Clinton	Donald	Noithar	Same (VOL)	Other (VOL)	Not Sure	
1	Ciliton	<u>Trump</u>	<u>Neither</u>	(VOL)	(VOL)	Sule	
Lower-income people							[234/239]
October 2016+	55	25	14	1	-	5	
June 2016+	53	24	18	-	-	5	
The middle class							[233/238]
October 2016+	46	34	14	1	-	5	
June 2016+	43	32	17	2	1	5	
Increase your wages **							[242]
October 2016+	41	32	20	1	-	6	
June 2016+	35	28	27	2	1	7	
Small businesses							[235/240]
October 2016+	40	39	13	1	-	7	
June 2016+	36	39	17	1	-	7	
Your personal financial situation							[243]
October 2016+	37	30	25	1	-	7	
June 2016+	33	30	30	1	-	6	
Large corporations							[236/241]
October 2016+	28	51	11	6	-	4	
June 2016+	23	54	11	5	-	7	
The wealthy							[232/237]
October 2016+	26	51	12	4	1	6	
June 2016+	22	54	10	7	-	7	

<sup>+</sup> Results are among registered voters.

#### March 2016

Which candidate would you say has the best policies and approaches to help each of the following—Hillary Clinton, Ted Cruz, John Kasich, Bernie Sanders, or Donald Trump? Which candidate has the best policies to help **(READ ITEM)**? Or would you say none of these candidates has policies and approaches that would help on this?

Total Democratic <u>Candidate</u>	Total Republican <u>Candidate</u>	None	All The Same <u>(VOL)</u>	Other (VOL)	Not <u>Sure</u>
20	61	10	2	1	6
46	37	12	1	-	4
57	26	11	-	-	6
36	41	14	1	-	8
23	56	12	2	1	6
39	36	18	-	1	6
36	36	21	1	1	5
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<sup>++</sup> Asked only of respondents who say they are employed (Q.4a).

# And now thinking about some specific issues...

Which candidate would you say has the better policies and approaches for each of the following-Hillary Clinton or Donald Trump?

Which candidate has the better policies and approaches for (READ ITEM)? Or would you say neither of these candidates has policies and approaches that are good on this?

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY HILLARY CLINTON

				Both The			
	Hillary <u>Clinton</u>	Donald <u>Trump</u>	Neither	Same (VOL)	Other (VOL)	Not <u>Sure</u>	
Dealing with leaders of other countries							[256]
October 2016+ **	61	29	6	1	-	3	
June 2016+	55	26	14	-	-	5	
Healthcare							[254]
October 2016+ **	48	35	12	1	-	4	
June 2016+	47	29	17	1	-	6	
Dealing with terrorism and homeland security							[245/251]
October 2016+	47	36	12	2	-	3	
June 2016+	38	40	15	1	-	6	
The immigration system							[246/252]
October 2016+	47	37	11	1	-	4	
June 2016+	42	36	16	1	-	5	
Trade with other countries							[247/253]
October 2016+	45	36	12	2	-	5	
June 2016+	44	35	14	1	-	6	
The overall U.S. economy							[244]
October 2016+	43	38	14	1	-	4	
June 2016+	39	38	17	1	-	5	
Regulations on businesses							[249]
October 2016+ *	40	37	14	1	-	8	
June 2016+	34	41	15	1	-	9	
The budget deficit							[248]
October 2016+ *	39	34	20	1	-	6	
June 2016+	33	42	17	-	1	7	
Improving the performance of the stock market							[250]
October 2016+ *	34	33	20	2	1	10	
June 2016+	26	42	19	1	-	12	
Regulations on Wall Street and big banks							[255]
October 2016+ **	34	37	21	1	-	7	
June 2016+	29	38	22	-	1	10	

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\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

Q.13a (cont'd)

#### March 2016

Which candidate would you say has the best policies and approaches to help each of the following–Hillary Clinton, Ted Cruz, John Kasich, Bernie Sanders, or Donald Trump? Which candidate has the best policies to help **(READ ITEM)**? Or would you say none of these candidates has policies and approaches that would help on this?

	Total Democratic <u>Candidate</u>	Total Republican <u>Candidate</u>	<u>None</u>	Both The Same (VOL)	Other (VOL)	Not <u>Sure</u>
The overall U.S. economy	38	41	13	1	1	6
The immigration system	40	39	10	1	2	8
Trade with other countries	41	39	9	1	2	8
The budget deficit	32	43	14	1	1	9
Regulations on businesses	37	38	11	1	2	11
Improving the performance of the stock market	25	43	16	1	3	12
Healthcare	50	28	10	1	1	10
Regulations on Wall Street and big banks	40	38	11	1	2	8

14. Which of the following better describes your view of economic opportunity in the United States?

	<u>10/16</u> +	<u>6/16</u> +	<u>3/16</u>	
Things are rigged for the privileged and the wealthy	34	37	41	[257]
Anyone can get ahead regardless of class or background	41	48	46	
Mixed/some of both (VOL)	16	9	9	
Neither (VOL)	4	2	1	
Not sure	5	4	3	

<sup>+</sup> Results are among registered voters.

Thinking ahead about who will be elected president...

## (Q.15 AND Q.16 ARE ROTATED.)

15. If Hillary Clinton is elected president, do you think the Republicans in Congress should (READ ITEM)? +

	All				
	Registerd				
	Voters	<b>Democrats</b>	<u>Independents</u>	Republicans	
Work to pass her agenda	11	19	12	3	[258]
Find areas of common ground and compromise to work with her	64	72	69	54	
Work to prevent her agenda	19	5	11	38	
Not sure	6	4	8	5	

<sup>+</sup> Results are among registered voters.

16. If Donald Trump is elected president, do you think the Democrats in Congress should (READ ITEM)? +

	All				
	Registerd				
	<u>Voters</u>	<b>Democrats</b>	<u>Independents</u>	Republicans	
Work to pass his agenda	11	5	14	17	[259]
Find areas of common ground and compromise to work with him	58	50	56	71	
Work to prevent his agenda	22	35	17	8	
Not sure	9	10	13	4	

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<sup>+</sup> Results are among registered voters.

# (Q.17a AND Q.17b ARE ROTATED.)

17a. If Hillary Clinton is elected president, do you think your federal income taxes would increase, stay about the same, or decrease? (IF RESPONDENT SAYS "INCREASE" OR "DECREASE," ASK:) Do you think they would (increase/decrease) a lot or (increase/decrease) some? +

Increase a lot	21	[260]
Increase some	22	
Stay about the same	42	
Decrease some	5	
Decrease a lot	1	
Not sure	9	
Total Increase	43	
Total Decrease	6	

<sup>+</sup> Results are among registered voters.

17b. If Donald Trump is elected president, do you think your federal income taxes would increase, stay about the same, or decrease? (IF RESPONDENT SAYS "INCREASE" OR "DECREASE," ASK:) Do you think they would (increase/decrease) a lot or (increase/decrease) some? +

Increase a lot	15	[261]
Increase some	14	
Stay about the same	42	
Decrease some	16	
Decrease a lot	3	
Not sure	10	
Total Increase	29	
Total Decrease	19	

<sup>+</sup> Results are among registered voters.

# (Q.18a AND Q.18b ARE ROTATED AND ASKED ONLY OF FORM A.)

18a. If Hillary Clinton is elected president, do you think the federal budget deficit would increase, stay about the same, or decrease? (IF RESPONDENT SAYS "INCREASE" OR "DECREASE," ASK:) Do you think it would (increase/decrease) a lot or (increase/decrease) some? + \*

Increase a lot	29	[262]
Increase some	20	
Stay about the same	30	
Decrease some	10	
Decrease a lot	5	
Not sure	6	
Total Increase	49	
Total Decrease	15	

<sup>+</sup> Results are among registered voters.

18b. If Donald Trump is elected president, do you think the federal budget deficit would increase, stay about the same, or decrease? (IF RESPONDENT SAYS "INCREASE" OR "DECREASE," ASK:) Do you think it would (increase/decrease) a lot or (increase/decrease) some? + \*

Increase a lot	29	[263]
Increase some	17	
Stay about the same	22	
Decrease some	14	
Decrease a lot	9	
Not sure	9	
Total Increase	46	
Total Decrease	23	

<sup>+</sup> Results are among registered voters.

### (Q.19a AND Q.19b ARE ROTATED AND ASKED ONLY OF FORM B.)

19a. If Hillary Clinton is elected president, do you think that our trade agreements with other countries will become more favorable to U.S. interests, stay about the same, or become less favorable to U.S. interests? +

Become more favorable	19	[264]
Stay about the same	45	
Become less favorable	28	
Not sure	8	

<sup>+</sup> Results are among registered voters.

19b. If Donald Trump is elected president, do you think that our trade agreements with other countries will become more favorable to U.S. interests, stay about the same, or become less favorable to U.S. interests? +

Become more favorable	32	[265]
Stay about the same	18	
Become less favorable	41	
Not sure	9	

<sup>+</sup> Results are among registered voters.

<sup>\*</sup> Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

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# (Q.20a AND Q.20b ARE ROTATED AND ASKED ONLY OF FORM A.)

20a.	If Hillary Clinton is elected president, do you think the number of ILLEGAL immigrants who come to the
	United States will increase, stay about the same, or decrease? + *

Increase	42	[266]
Stay about the same	45	
Decrease	10	
Not sure	3	

<sup>+</sup> Results are among registered voters.

20b. If Donald Trump is elected president, do you think the number of ILLEGAL immigrants who come to the United States will increase, stay about the same, or decrease? + \*

Increase	6	[267]
Stay about the same	31	
Decrease	61	
Not sure	2	

<sup>+</sup> Results are among registered voters.

# (Q.20c AND Q.20d ARE ROTATED AND ASKED ONLY OF FORM B.)

20c. If Hillary Clinton is elected president, do you think the number of LEGAL immigrants who come to the United States will increase, stay about the same, or decrease? + \*\*

Increase	42	[268]
Stay about the same		
Decrease	6	
Not sure	5	

<sup>+</sup> Results are among registered voters.

20d. If Donald Trump is elected president, do you think the number of LEGAL immigrants who come to the United States will increase, stay about the same, or decrease? + \*\*

Increase	9	[269]
Stay about the same	36	
Decrease	49	
Not sure	6	

<sup>\*</sup> Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

<sup>\*</sup> Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

<sup>\*\*</sup> Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

<sup>+</sup> Results are among registered voters.

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

# (Q.21a AND Q.21b ARE ROTATED.)

21a. If Hillary Clinton wins the election, do you think that Donald Trump should accept that outcome? +

		Trump	
	All	Voters	
	Voters	(Q.9ab)	
Yes, should accept	85	74	[270]
No, should not accept	9	18	
Not sure	6	8	

+ Results are among registered voters.

21b. If Donald Trump wins the election, do you think that Hillary Clinton should accept that outcome? +

		Clinton	
	All	Voters	
	<u>Voters</u>	(Q.9ab)	
Yes, should accept	90	91	[271]
No, should not accept	5	7	
Not sure	5	2	

+ Results are among registered voters.

# (Q.22a AND Q.22b ARE ROTATED.)

22a. If Hillary Clinton wins the election, will you personally accept that outcome? +

		Trump	
	All	Voters	
	<u>Voters</u>	(Q.9ab)	
Yes, will accept	86	72	[272]
No, will not accept	12	25	
Not sure	2	3	

+ Results are among registered voters.

22b. If Donald Trump wins the election, will you personally accept that outcome? +

		Clinton	
	All	Voters	
	Voters	(Q.9ab)	
Yes, will accept	82	70	[273]
No, will not accept	14	26	
Not sure	4	4	

+ Results are among registered voters.

23. During the course of the presidential campaign, would you say you have learned a lot, some, or not very much about the real estate, hotels, and consumer products that are part of Donald Trump's business? +

Have learned a lot	22	[274]
Have learned some	27	
Have not learned very much	45	
Not sure	6	

+ Results are among registered voters.

24ab. Would you say that since the beginning of the presidential campaign you have become more favorable or less favorable toward the real estate, hotels, and consumer products that are part of Donald Trump's business, or has your opinion of these not really changed? (IF RESPONDENT SAYS "MORE FAVORABLE" OR "LESS FAVORABLE." ASK:) And have you become much (more favorable/less favorable) or somewhat (more favorable/less favorable)? +

More Favorable	4	[275-276]
Much more favorable	2	
Somewhat more favorable	2	
Not really changed	64	
Less Favorable	26	
Somewhat less favorable	8	
Much less favorable	18	
Not sure	6	

<sup>+</sup> Results are among registered voters.

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

F1. A lot of people are unable to get out and vote for many reasons. Did you happen to vote in the 2012 election for president? (IF RESPONDENT SAYS "YES," ASK:) For whom did you vote—Barack Obama, Mitt Romney, or someone else? +

Yes, Voted		
Barack Obama	45	[277-278]
Mitt Romney	31	
Someone else	6	
Not sure	5	
No, did not vote	13	
Not sure	-	

<sup>+</sup> Results are among registered voters.

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

Grade school	2	[279-280]
Some high school	5	
High school graduate	22	
Some college, no degree	18	
Vocational training/2-year college	10	
4-year college/bachelor's degree	26	
Some postgraduate work, no degree	3	
2 or 3 years' postgraduate work/master's degree	12	
Doctoral/law degree	2	
Not sure/refused	-	

<sup>+</sup> Results are among registered voters.

F3. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican, an independent, or something else? (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? (IF RESPONDENT SAYS "SOMETHING ELSE," ASK:) Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican Party, closer to the Democratic Party, do you think of yourself as strictly independent, or do you think of yourself as something else? +

Strong Democrat	24	[308-311]
Not very strong Democrat	12	
Independent/something else/closer to Democratic Party	7	
Strictly independent	16	
Independent/something else/closer to Republican Party	10	
Not very strong Republican	11	
Strong Republican	15	
Something else	1	
Not sure	4	
Total Democrat	43	
Total Republican	36	

<sup>+</sup> Results are among registered voters.

F4. 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)? +

Total Liberal Total Conservative	23 35	
Not sure		
Very conservative	14	
Somewhat conservative	21	
Moderate	36	
Somewhat liberal	14	
Very liberal	9	[323-324]

<sup>+</sup> Results are among registered voters.

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 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? +

Less than \$10,000	4	[325]
Between \$10,000 and \$20,000	8	
Between \$20,000 and \$30,000	7	
Between \$30,000 and \$40,000	15	
Between \$40,000 and \$50,000	6	
Between \$50,000 and \$75,000	14	
Between \$75,000 and \$100,000	12	
Between \$100,000 and \$200,000	15	
More than \$200,000	5	
Not sure/refused	14	

<sup>+</sup> Results are among registered voters.