

Nationwide Survey of 1,016 Adults (general population) Conducted March 15 - 19, 2015
By the Saint Leo University Polling Institute
Margin of Error: +/- 3.0% with a 95% level of confidence (subgroups larger)
Some percentages may add up to more or less than 100 due to rounding

We need your help. The Saint Leo University Polling Institute is conducting a brief national public opinion survey. Your own responses to this important online survey are strictly confidential. Thank you very much.

SCREENS:

1. Are you currently a resident of the United States and 18 years of age or older?

100 % Yes (continue)

SECTION 1: Politics, campaigns, and elections

2. When general elections are held in the United States, how often do you vote? Would you say...

| | |
|------|-----------------------|
| 52 % | All of the time |
| 29 % | Most of the time |
| 5 % | About half the time |
| 5 % | Occasionally |
| 8 % | Rarely or never |
| 1 % | Not sure / don't know |

The following questions have an N of 809 and include only “likely voters,” that is, those individuals who said they vote “all of the time” or “most of the time.” The margin of error for these results is approximately 3 percent.

3. How would you rate the job Barack Obama has been doing as President... do you strongly approve, somewhat approve, somewhat disapprove, or strongly disapprove of the job he’s been doing?

| | |
|------|-----------------------|
| 18 % | Strongly approve |
| 32 % | Somewhat approve |
| 16 % | Somewhat disapprove |
| 33 % | Strongly disapprove |
| 2 % | Not sure / don’t know |

Select crosstabs:

| | R | I | D | M | F | 18-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | H/L | Wht | Blk |
|-----------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Strongly approve | 9 | 9 | 35 | 18 | 18 | 21 | 14 | 16 | 29 | 10 | 42 |
| Somewhat approve | 17 | 29 | 48 | 28 | 35 | 40 | 28 | 16 | 45 | 26 | 43 |
| Somewhat disapprove | 18 | 22 | 7 | 15 | 16 | 15 | 17 | 13 | 15 | 17 | 8 |
| Strongly disapprove | 56 | 36 | 9 | 37 | 29 | 20 | 40 | 54 | 9 | 45 | 4 |
| Not sure / don’t know | <1 | 3 | <1 | 2 | 2 | 3 | <1 | <1 | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| Subgroup size (N) | 246 | 271 | 269 | 373 | 436 | 382 | 298 | 129 | 126 | 550 | 114 |

4. What do you think is the most important issue facing the country today? (ROTATE)

Select crosstabs:

| 28 % | Jobs and the economy |
|------|----------------------------------------------------|
| 18 % | Government spending and the federal budget deficit |
| 15 % | Homeland security and anti-terror policy |
| 11 % | Healthcare |
| 7 % | Immigration |
| 5 % | Education |
| 5 % | Foreign affairs |
| 3 % | Global climate change |
| 2 % | Gun control / Second Amendment rights |
| <1 % | Energy policy |
| 2 % | Some other issue |
| 2 % | Not sure / don’t know |

| R | I | D |
|----|----|----|
| 22 | 29 | 34 |
| 24 | 20 | 11 |
| 17 | 14 | 13 |
| 6 | 13 | 14 |
| 8 | 8 | 6 |
| 4 | 4 | 9 |
| 10 | 3 | 4 |
| 2 | 4 | 2 |
| 3 | 1 | 3 |
| <1 | <1 | 1 |
| 1 | 2 | 2 |
| 2 | <1 | 2 |

Next, I'd like to get your overall opinion of some people in the news. Please indicate if you have a strongly favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, or not at all favorable opinion of these people. If you haven't heard of them or don't know enough about them to have an opinion, just indicate so. (ROTATE)

| Name | | Strongly Favorable | Somewhat Favorable | Somewhat Unfavorable | Not at all Favorable | Haven't heard of | Don't know/not sure |
|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| 5. Former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton | All Likely (N=809) | 21 | 27 | 15 | 34 | 1 | 3 |
| | All Likely Rs (N=246) | 10 | 14 | 17 | 55 | <1 | 3 |
| | All Likely Is (N=277) | 12 | 29 | 16 | 49 | <1 | 2 |
| | All Likely Ds (N=269) | 43 | 36 | 11 | 7 | 2 | 2 |
| 6. Vice President Joe Biden | All Likely (N=809) | 13 | 30 | 19 | 32 | 2 | 4 |
| | All Likely Rs (N=246) | 9 | 17 | 18 | 50 | 1 | 5 |
| | All Likely Is (N=277) | 4 | 28 | 24 | 37 | 3 | 4 |
| | All Likely Ds (N=269) | 27 | 43 | 16 | 9 | 2 | 3 |
| 7. Massachusetts Senator Elizabeth Warren | All Likely (N=809) | 11 | 26 | 14 | 18 | 12 | 20 |
| | All Likely Rs (N=246) | 6 | 19 | 16 | 25 | 10 | 24 |
| | All Likely Is (N=277) | 7 | 28 | 13 | 20 | 12 | 20 |
| | All Likely Ds (N=269) | 21 | 30 | 14 | 8 | 13 | 14 |
| 8. Kentucky Senator Rand Paul | All Likely (N=809) | 10 | 31 | 18 | 20 | 9 | 12 |
| | All Likely Rs (N=246) | 20 | 42 | 15 | 7 | 7 | 9 |
| | All Likely Is (N=277) | 7 | 32 | 18 | 22 | 8 | 13 |
| | All Likely Ds (N=269) | 6 | 22 | 21 | 29 | 11 | 11 |
| 9. New Jersey Governor Chris Christie | All Likely (N=809) | 8 | 29 | 24 | 25 | 6 | 8 |
| | All Likely Rs (N=246) | 14 | 36 | 25 | 14 | 4 | 7 |
| | All Likely Is (N=277) | 3 | 26 | 25 | 30 | 6 | 10 |
| | All Likely Ds (N=269) | 9 | 26 | 23 | 30 | 5 | 6 |
| 10. Florida Senator Marco Rubio | All Likely (N=809) | 10 | 29 | 16 | 18 | 12 | 16 |
| | All Likely Rs (N=246) | 18 | 40 | 13 | 5 | 8 | 15 |
| | All Likely Is (N=277) | 4 | 28 | 15 | 20 | 12 | 21 |
| | All Likely Ds (N=269) | 9 | 21 | 20 | 26 | 14 | 11 |
| 13. Former Florida Governor Jeb Bush | All Likely (N=809) | 11 | 28 | 23 | 24 | 5 | 9 |
| | All Likely Rs (N=246) | 24 | 40 | 20 | 6 | 2 | 9 |
| | All Likely Is (N=277) | 5 | 28 | 25 | 29 | 4 | 9 |
| | All Likely Ds (N=269) | 6 | 19 | 24 | 35 | 7 | 9 |
| 14. Wisconsin Governor Scott Walker | All Likely (N=809) | 11 | 21 | 14 | 17 | 17 | 20 |
| | All Likely Rs (N=246) | 20 | 27 | 15 | 5 | 13 | 20 |
| | All Likely Is (N=277) | 8 | 18 | 14 | 17 | 18 | 24 |
| | All Likely Ds (N=269) | 6 | 18 | 14 | 29 | 20 | 14 |

11. In political terms, which one of the following best describes you? Do you consider yourself to be a... (ROTATE) (SKIP PATTERN)

| | |
|------|-----------------------|
| 30 % | Republican |
| 33 % | Democrat |
| 34 % | Independent |
| 1 % | Some other party |
| 1 % | Don't know / not sure |

The following questions have an N of 246 and include only self-identified Republicans who are also “likely voters,” that is, those individuals who said they vote “all of the time” or “most of the time.”

12. (ask only of Q11 01) We know it’s early, but thinking about the presidential election in 2016...here is a list of potential candidates who may run for the Republican nomination. If the Republican primary for president were held today, which one of the following would you support for the Republican nomination? (ROTATE):

| | |
|------|-------------------------------------------|
| 15 % | Former Florida Governor Jeb Bush |
| 8 % | Wisconsin Governor Scott Walker |
| 8 % | Kentucky Senator Rand Paul |
| 7 % | Florida Senator Marco Rubio |
| 7 % | Dr. Ben Carson |
| 7 % | New Jersey Governor Chris Christie |
| 7 % | Texas Senator Ted Cruz |
| 7 % | Former Arkansas Governor Mike Huckabee |
| 5 % | Former Texas Governor Rick Perry |
| 3 % | South Carolina Senator Lindsey Graham |
| 3 % | Former Pennsylvania Senator Rick Santorum |
| 2 % | Ohio Governor John Kasich |
| 2 % | Louisiana Governor Bobby Jindal |
| 2 % | New York Congressman Peter King |
| 2 % | Former New York Governor George Pataki |
| 2 % | Former Hewlett Packard CEO Carly Fiorina |
| 1 % | Indiana Governor Mike Pence |
| 1 % | Former Virginia Governor Jim Gilmore |
| <1 % | Former Ambassador John Bolton |
| <1 % | Former Maryland Governor Bob Ehrlich |
| 2 % | Someone else |
| 7 % | Don’t know / not sure |

13. And who would be your second choice? (ROTATE)

| | |
|------|-------------------------------------------|
| 13 % | Former Florida Governor Jeb Bush |
| 10 % | Kentucky Senator Rand Paul |
| 9 % | Florida Senator Marco Rubio |
| 6 % | Dr. Ben Carson |
| 6 % | Wisconsin Governor Scott Walker |
| 5 % | New Jersey Governor Chris Christie |
| 5 % | Former Texas Governor Rick Perry |
| 4 % | Texas Senator Ted Cruz |
| 4 % | Former Arkansas Governor Mike Huckabee |
| 4 % | Former Pennsylvania Senator Rick Santorum |
| 3 % | South Carolina Senator Lindsey Graham |
| 2 % | Former Ambassador John Bolton |
| 2 % | Louisiana Governor Bobby Jindal |
| 2 % | New York Congressman Peter King |
| 2 % | Former New York Governor George Pataki |
| 2 % | Former Virginia Governor Jim Gilmore |
| 1 % | Ohio Governor John Kasich |
| 1 % | Former Hewlett Packard CEO Carly Fiorina |
| 1 % | Former Maryland Governor Bob Ehrlich |
| 1 % | Indiana Governor Mike Pence |
| 3 % | Someone else |
| 12 % | Don't know / not sure |

14. (ask only of Q11 01) Regardless of whom you personally support, which candidate do you think is most likely to win the Republican nomination for president in 2016? (ROTATE):

| | |
|------|-------------------------------------------|
| 27 % | Former Florida Governor Jeb Bush |
| 10 % | Wisconsin Governor Scott Walker |
| 8 % | Florida Senator Marco Rubio |
| 7 % | Kentucky Senator Rand Paul |
| 6 % | New Jersey Governor Chris Christie |
| 4 % | Former Texas Governor Rick Perry |
| 3 % | Ohio Governor John Kasich |
| 2 % | Texas Senator Ted Cruz |
| 2 % | South Carolina Senator Lindsey Graham |
| 2 % | Former Arkansas Governor Mike Huckabee |
| 2 % | New York Congressman Peter King |
| 2 % | Former Pennsylvania Senator Rick Santorum |
| 2 % | Former Hewlett Packard CEO Carly Fiorina |
| 1 % | Former Virginia Governor Jim Gilmore |
| 1 % | Louisiana Governor Bobby Jindal |
| <1 % | Former New York Governor George Pataki |
| <1 % | Dr. Ben Carson |
| 0 % | Former Ambassador John Bolton |
| 0 % | Former Maryland Governor Bob Ehrlich |
| 0 % | Indiana Governor Mike Pence |
| 1 % | Someone else |
| 17 % | Don't know / not sure |

The following questions have an N of 266 and include only self-identified Democrats who are also “likely voters,” that is, those individuals who said they vote “all of the time” or “most of the time.”

15. (ask only of Q11 02) We know it’s early, but thinking about the presidential election in 2016...here is a list of potential candidates who may run for the Democratic nomination. If the Democratic primary for president were held today, which one of the following would you support for the Democratic nomination? (ROTATE):

| | |
|------|---------------------------------------------|
| 50 % | Former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton |
| 11 % | Vice President Joe Biden |
| 8 % | Massachusetts Senator Elizabeth Warren |
| 6 % | New York Governor Andrew Cuomo |
| 3 % | Colorado Governor John Hickenlooper |
| 3 % | New Jersey Senator Corey Booker |
| 3 % | Vermont Senator Bernie Sanders |
| 2 % | Former Maryland Governor Martin O’Malley |
| 2 % | Former Massachusetts Governor Deval Patrick |
| 2 % | New York Senator Kirsten Gillibrand |
| 1 % | Minnesota Senator Amy Klobuchar |
| 1 % | Former Virginia Senator Jim Webb |
| <1 % | Virginia Senator Mark Warner |
| <1 % | Former Montana Governor Brian Schweitzer |
| <1 % | Someone else |
| 6 % | Don’t know / not sure |

16. And who would be your second choice? (ROTATE)

| | |
|------|---------------------------------------------|
| 26 % | Vice President Joe Biden |
| 14 % | Former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton |
| 13 % | Massachusetts Senator Elizabeth Warren |
| 8 % | New York Governor Andrew Cuomo |
| 3 % | Virginia Senator Mark Warner |
| 3 % | Former Massachusetts Governor Deval Patrick |
| 3 % | New York Senator Kirsten Gillibrand |
| 3 % | Former Virginia Senator Jim Webb |
| 3 % | Vermont Senator Bernie Sanders |
| 2 % | Colorado Governor John Hickenlooper |
| 1 % | Former Maryland Governor Martin O’Malley |
| 1 % | Former Montana Governor Brian Schweitzer |
| 1 % | New Jersey Senator Corey Booker |
| <1 % | Minnesota Senator Amy Klobuchar |
| 4 % | Someone else |
| 15 % | Don’t know / not sure |

17. (ask only of Q11 02) Regardless of whom you personally support, which candidate do you think is most likely to win the Democratic nomination for president in 2016? (ROTATE):

| | |
|------|---------------------------------------------|
| 56 % | Former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton |
| 11 % | Vice President Joe Biden |
| 4 % | New York Governor Andrew Cuomo |
| 3 % | Massachusetts Senator Elizabeth Warren |
| 2 % | Virginia Senator Mark Warner |
| 2 % | New York Senator Kirsten Gillibrand |
| 2 % | Former Virginia Senator Jim Webb |
| 2 % | New Jersey Senator Corey Booker |
| 1 % | Former Massachusetts Governor Deval Patrick |
| <1 % | Colorado Governor John Hickenlooper |
| <1 % | Former Maryland Governor Martin O'Malley |
| <1 % | Former Montana Governor Brian Schweitzer |
| <1 % | Minnesota Senator Amy Klobuchar |
| <1 % | Vermont Senator Bernie Sanders |
| 3 % | Someone else |
| 10 % | Don't know / not sure |

The following questions have an N of 809 and include only "likely voters," that is, those individuals who said they vote "all of the time" or "most of the time." The margin of error for these results is approximately 3 percent.

The following are some possible match-ups in the election for President in 2016. Please indicate which candidate you would vote for if the election were held today and the choice were between the following (ROTATE):

18. If the election for President were being held today, and the candidates were (ROTATE) Hillary Clinton the Democrat or Jeb Bush the Republican, for whom would you vote?

Select crosstabs:

| | | | | |
|------|-----------------------|----|----|----|
| | | R | I | D |
| 49 % | Hillary Clinton | 19 | 40 | 85 |
| 38 % | Jeb Bush | 74 | 35 | 9 |
| 13 % | Don't know / not sure | 7 | 25 | 6 |

19. If the election for President were being held today, and the candidates were (ROTATE) Hillary Clinton the Democrat or Rand Paul the Republican, for whom would you vote?

Select crosstabs:

| | | | | |
|------|-----------------------|----|----|----|
| | | R | I | D |
| 49 % | Hillary Clinton | 20 | 42 | 81 |
| 39 % | Rand Paul | 69 | 41 | 11 |
| 12 % | Don't know / not sure | 12 | 17 | 8 |

20. If the election for President were being held today, and the candidates were (ROTATE) Hillary Clinton the Democrat or Chris Christie the Republican, for whom would you vote?

Select crosstabs:

| | | | | |
|------|-----------------------|----|----|----|
| | | R | I | D |
| 47 % | Hillary Clinton | 19 | 39 | 80 |
| 38 % | Chris Christie | 67 | 35 | 15 |
| 16 % | Don't know / not sure | 14 | 26 | 6 |

21. If the election for President were being held today, and the candidates were (ROTATE) Hillary Clinton the Democrat or Marco Rubio the Republican, for whom would you vote?

Select crosstabs:

| | | | | |
|------|-----------------------|----|----|----|
| | | R | I | D |
| 51 % | Hillary Clinton | 23 | 42 | 85 |
| 35 % | Marco Rubio | 66 | 35 | 9 |
| 14 % | Don't know / not sure | 12 | 34 | 7 |

22. If the election for President were being held today, and the candidates were (ROTATE) Hillary Clinton the Democrat or Scott Walker the Republican, for whom would you vote?

Select crosstabs:

| | | | | |
|------|-----------------------|----|----|----|
| | | R | I | D |
| 50 % | Hillary Clinton | 23 | 41 | 84 |
| 36 % | Scott Walker | 67 | 36 | 9 |
| 14 % | Don't know / not sure | 11 | 23 | 7 |

Section 3: Religion and culture

34. Changing topics again...Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Pope Francis? Would you say your opinion of Pope Francis is...

| | | | |
|------|----------------------|--------------------------|---------------|
| | | <i>Select crosstabs:</i> | |
| | | Catholics | Non-Catholics |
| 29 % | Strongly favorable | 48 | 24 |
| 39 % | Somewhat favorable | 36 | 40 |
| 8 % | Somewhat unfavorable | 5 | 9 |
| 6 % | Not at all favorable | 0 | 8 |
| 18 % | Don't know unsure | 11 | 20 |
| | | 202 | 797 |

N=

DEMOGRAPHICS

The following questions are used for statistical purposes only.

35. Are you male or female?

| | |
|------|--------|
| 46 % | Male |
| 54 % | Female |

36. Age (In what year were you born? (DROPDOWN))

| | |
|------|-------|
| 50 % | 18-44 |
| 36 % | 45-64 |
| 15 % | 65+ |

37. Do you have children living in your home?

| | |
|------|-----------------------|
| 22 % | Yes, one |
| 12 % | Yes, two |
| 5 % | Yes, three |
| 2 % | Yes, four |
| 2 % | Yes, five or more |
| 58 % | No |
| <1 % | Don't know / not sure |

38. In political terms, which one of the following best describes you? Do you consider yourself to be a...

| | |
|------|--------------------------------|
| 13 % | Strong Republican |
| 10 % | Not-so-strong Republican |
| 8 % | Republican-leaning Independent |
| 32 % | Independent |
| 11 % | Democratic-leaning Independent |
| 9 % | Not-so-strong Democrat |
| 14 % | Strong Democrat |
| <1 % | Member of some other party |
| 3 % | Don't know / not sure |

39. Would you describe your political views as very conservative, conservative, moderate, liberal, or very liberal?

| | |
|------|-----------------------|
| 15 % | Very conservative |
| 22 % | Somewhat conservative |
| 35 % | Moderate |
| 12 % | Somewhat liberal |
| 9 % | Very liberal |
| 6 % | Don't know / not sure |

40. Are you Hispanic or Latino?

| | |
|------|-----|
| 16 % | Yes |
| 84 % | No |

41. Which one of these groups would you say best represents your race?

| | |
|------|-------------------------------------------|
| 68 % | White |
| 13 % | Black or African-American |
| 2 % | Asian |
| <1 % | Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander |
| 0 % | American Indian or Alaska Native |
| <1 % | Other |

42. What is your highest grade of school completed?

| | |
|------|--------------------------------------|
| 14 % | Some high school or less |
| 18 % | High school graduate or GED |
| 28 % | Some college or technical school |
| 10 % | Associates degree |
| 24 % | College graduate |
| 11 % | Post-graduate or professional degree |

43. Please tell me which religion you belong to or follow?

| | |
|------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| 20 % | Catholic |
| 23 % | Protestant (Baptist, Lutheran, Congregational, Presbyterian) |
| 26 % | Christian (non-denominational) |
| <1 % | Greek Orthodox |
| 2 % | Jewish |
| <1 % | Buddhist |
| <1 % | Muslim |
| 1 % | Latter Day Saint / Mormon |
| 5 % | Other |
| 21 % | No preference / no religious affiliation |

44. Which of the following categories best describes your total family income before taxes?

| | |
|------|---------------------------------------|
| 6 % | Under \$9,999 |
| 33 % | \$10,000 to less than \$40,000 |
| 33 % | \$40,000 to less than \$75,000 |
| 12 % | \$75,000 to less than \$100,000 |
| 9 % | \$100,000 to less than \$150,000 |
| 3 % | \$150,000 to less than \$200,000 |
| 1 % | \$200,000 or more |
| 3 % | Don't know / not sure / not disclosed |

