# Saint Leo University Polling Institute October 2016 – <u>USA Results</u> N = 1,050 likely voters Dates: 10/22 - 10/26/16

The Polling Institute at Saint Leo University needs your help. We are conducting a survey of Americans on their opinions and views on the issues and the November election. Thank you very much.

#### Screener

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

- 01 Yes (continue)
- 02 No (terminate)
- 03 Don't know / Unsure (terminate)
- B. What State do you live in? [Enter state]

#### Politics and Current Issues - Answers in Percentages

#### **Politics**

- 1. How likely are you to vote in the 2016 November election? Or, perhaps you already voted in early voting? Would you say...
- 01 Very likely **81.6%**
- 02 Somewhat likely 13.9
- 03 Already voted **4.5**
- 04 Somewhat unlikely (Terminate)
- 05 Not at all likely **(Terminate)**
- 06 Don't know / not sure (Terminate)
- 2. In political terms, which one of the following best describes you? Do you consider yourself to be a...
- 01 Republican **28.3**
- 02 Democrat **29.6**
- 03 Independent **37.2**
- 04 Member of some other party **1.3**
- $05 \quad Don't know / not sure \qquad 3.5$

3. How would you rate the job Barack Obama has been doing as President?

01	Strongly approve	26.2
02	Somewhat approve	29.0
03	Somewhat disapprove	14.9
04	Strongly disapprove	29.0
05	Don't know / not sure	1.0

#### 4. What do you think is the **most important** issue facing the country today?

01	Jobs and the economy <b>28.9</b>	
02	Healthcare 10.5	
03	Education 4.4	
04	Government spending and the federal budget deficit 12."	7
05	Homeland security and anti-terror policy 9.4	
06	Immigration 5.1	
07	Foreign affairs 1.4	
08	Energy policy <b>0.3</b>	
09	Global climate change <b>3.5</b>	
10	Gun control / Second Amendment rights 1.6	
11	Terrorism 8.1	
12	Declining U.S. status worldwide 8.1	
13	Crime <b>2.8</b>	
14	International trade imbalance 2.9	
15	Gun violence 0.3	
16	Internet / data security / identity theft 0.9	
17	Some other issue 2.2	
18	Don't know / not sure 2.6	

The following are a number of presidential and vice presidential candidates. Please indicate, for each, if your opinion is very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable or not at all favorable.

Characteristic	Very & Somewhat	Somewhat and Not at all	
	Favorable - %	Favorable - %	
5. Donald Trump	34.6	64.0	
6. Hillary Clinton	42.8	55.6	
7. Gary Johnson	18.9	42.7	
8. Jill Stein	14.5	40.7	
9. Mike Pence	42.0	38.0	
10. Tim Kaine	35.2	43.6	

11. If the November presidential election was held today between Hillary Clinton, Donald Trump, Gary Johnson and Jill Stein, which candidate would you support or which have you already supported in early voting?

<b>Q</b> #					
13	01 Hillary	02 Donald	03 Gary Johnson	04 Jill Stein	05 Unsure
	Clinton	Trump			
%	45.4	34.2	6.6	2.2	11.6

Q12 for "Unsure" / "05" respondents in Q11 only.

12. While you are undecided, please indicate which candidate you are leaning toward.

<b>Q</b> #				
14	01 Hillary	02 Donald	03 Gary Johnson	04 Jill Stein
	Clinton	Trump		-
%	49.3	38.4	9.0	3.3

13. If the November presidential election was held today and Evan McMullin, the Independent Conservative from Utah was also on your ballot, which candidate would you support or which have you supported if you already voted in early voting?

Q#						
13	01 Hillary	02 Donald	03 Gary Johnson	04 Jill Stein	05 Evan	06 Unsure
	Clinton	Trump		-	McMullin	
%	42.8	31.5	6.2	1.6	5.3	12.6

14. Over the past month or so, did you change your support from one presidential candidate to another?

01	Yes	14.2%
02	No	83.0
03	Unsure	2.9

15. Which of the following developments **if any**, in the presidential election, contributed to your decision to support one candidate over another. **Please indicate all that apply.** 

Election Development	Contributed to Decision - %
Learned that Donald Trump had nearly a \$1 billion dollar business	32.7
loss in 1995 – allowing him not to pay taxes for years afterwards	
Being reminded that Hillary Clinton did not defend the women	27.3
former President Bill Clinton allegedly had affairs with	
Hearing about or seeing/hearing the recently released recording of	39.2
Donald Trump describing his conduct toward women as well as his	
treatment of women including a former Miss Universe	
Learning more about the Clinton Foundation and "pay for play"	39.0
allegations	
Learning that Donald Trump's bankruptcies left small businesses	31.6
unpaid	
Learning more about Hillary Clinton's positions on issues such as	32.0
the 2nd Amendment	
Learned that Donald Trump may have not contributed to charities,	26.1
including his own, since 2008	
Learning during the final debate that Donald Trump could not say,	34.5
before the election, that he is willing to accept the final results based	
on the moderator's question	

16. The 2016 election is days away. Using your best guess, who will be elected the next President of the United States?

<b>Q</b> #					
16	01 Hillary	02 Donald	03 Gary Johnson	04 Jill Stein	05 Evan
	Clinton	Trump			McMullin
%	70.8	26.3	1.6	0.8	0.6

Donald Trump is raising the issue of a "rigged election". The following are two statements. Please indicate if you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree with each.

Statements	Strongly & Somewhat Agree - %	Somewhat & Strongly Disagree - %
17. There is likely to be widespread fraud in the actual polling process in the U.S.	39.0 (17.4 + 21.6)	54.4 (15.8 + 38.6)
18. The U.S. election is rigged because of media bias the majority media supporting one candidate	49.6 (26.8 + 22.8)	45.3 (11 + 34.3)

### FOR ANSWERS TO THE QUESTIONS BELOW, CALL OR EMAIL MEDIA CONTACTS

## Demographics (All Respondents)

The following questions are used for statistical purposes only.

- 27. Are you male or female?
- 01 Male
- 02 Female
- 28. How old are you?
- 01 18-25
- 02 26-35
- 03 36-45
- 04 46-55
- 05 56-65
- 06 65 or older
- 29. Would you describe your political views as very conservative, conservative, moderate, liberal, or very liberal?
- 01 Very conservative
- 02 Somewhat conservative
- 03 Moderate
- 04 Somewhat liberal
- 05 Very liberal
- 06 Don't know / not sure

- 30. Are you Hispanic or Latino?
- 01 Yes (Go to 32)
- 02 No
- 03 Don't know / not sure

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

- 01 White
- 02 Black or African-American
- 03 Asian
- 04 Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
- 05 American Indian or Alaska Native
- 06 Other
- 32. Please tell me which religion you belong to or follow?
- 01 Catholic
- 02 Protestant (Baptist, Lutheran, Congregational, Presbyterian)
- 03 Christian (non-denominational)
- 04 Greek Orthodox
- 05 Jewish
- 01 Buddhist
- 02 Muslim
- 03 Latter Day Saint / Mormon
- 04 Other
- 05 No preference / no religious affiliation
- 06 Don't know / not sure
- 33. What is your highest grade of school completed?
- 01 Did not graduate from high school
- 02 High school graduate or GED
- 03 Associates degree
- 04 Some college
- 05 College graduate
- 06 Post-graduate or professional degree

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

- 01 Under \$20,000
- 02 \$20,000 to less than \$30,000
- 03 \$30,000 to less than \$40,000
- 04 \$40,000 to less than \$50,000
- 05 \$50,000 to less than \$60,000
- 06 \$60,000 to less than \$75,000
- 07 \$75,000 to less than \$100,00

- 08 \$100,000 to less than \$200,000
- 09 \$200,000 or more
- 10 Don't know / not sure

35. In political terms, which one of the following best describes how you typically vote?

- 06 All Republican
- 07 Mostly Republican
- 08 Mostly Democratic
- 09 All Democratic
- 10 Independent split vote between parties
- 11 Support some other party
- 12 Don't know / not sure

# Thank you very much for your participation in this important survey.