

**SLU\_National composite, September, presidential job approval, divided country, and Confederacy questions** (the numbers here correspond to the order of the survey questions as asked)

1. How often would you say you vote in most elections?

	Percent	Cumulative Percent
1 Always	52.6	52.6
2 Most of the time	26.6	79.2
3 Sometimes	10.4	89.6
4 Seldom	3.0	92.6
5 Never	4.6	97.2
6 Unsure or not registered	2.8	100.0
Total	100.0	
Missing 0		
Total		

How would you rate...

2. the job Donald Trump is doing as president?

	Percent	Cumulative Percent
1 Strongly Approve	20.2	20.2
2 Somewhat Approve	22.6	42.8
3 Somewhat Disapprove	10.3	53.1
4 Strongly Disapprove	42.9	96.0
5 Don't know not sure	4.0	100.0
Total	100.0	
Missing 0		
Total		

3...the job Mike Pence is doing as vice president?

	Percent	Cumulative Percent
1 Strongly Approve	19.3	19.3
2 Somewhat Approve	24.9	44.2
3 Somewhat Disapprove	17.2	61.4
4 Strongly Disapprove	26.8	88.2
5 Don't know not sure	11.8	100.0
Total	100.0	
Missing	0	
Total		

4. the job Congressman Paul Ryan is doing as Speaker of the House?

	Percent	Cumulative Percent
1 Strongly Approve	11.3	11.3
2 Somewhat Approve	22.0	33.3
3 Somewhat Disapprove	23.5	56.8
4 Strongly Disapprove	29.4	86.2
5 Don't know not sure	13.8	100.0
Total	100.0	
Missing	0	
Total		

5. the job Mitch McConnell is doing as U.S. Senate Majority Leader?

	Percent	Cumulative Percent
1 Strongly Approve	8.7	8.7
2 Somewhat Approve	20.0	28.7
3 Somewhat Disapprove	21.8	50.5
4 Strongly Disapprove	31.4	81.9
5 Don't know not sure	18.1	100.0
Total	100.0	
Missing	0	
Total		

6. What do you think is the most important issue facing the country today?

	Percent	Cumulative Percent
1 Jobs and the economy	19.0	19.0
2 Healthcare	19.2	38.2
3 Education	4.4	42.6
4 Government spending and the federal budget deficit	8.4	51.1
5 Homeland security and antiterror policy	7.5	58.6
6 Immigration	8.8	67.4
7 Foreign affairs	5.0	72.4
8 Energy policy	.4	72.8
9 Global climate change	4.2	77.0
10 Gun control Second Amendment rights	.7	77.7
11 Terrorism	8.0	85.7
12 Declining US status worldwide	4.3	90.0
13 Crime	1.4	91.4
14 International trade imbalance	.4	91.8
15 Gun violence	1.4	93.2
16 Internet data security identity theft	.8	94.0
17 Some other issue	3.1	97.1
18 Don't know not sure	2.9	100.0
Total	100.0	
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Total		

7. In political terms, do you consider yourself to be a Republican, Democrat, Independent, or member of some other party?

	Percent	Cumulative Percent
1 Republican	27.0	27.0
2 Democrat	31.0	58.0
3 Independent/Unaffiliated	36.1	94.1
4 Some other party	1.1	95.2
5 Don't know not sure	4.8	100.0
Total	100.0	
Missing 0		
Total		

### **The New President section**

The new president, Donald Trump, is moving on a number of areas during his first month in office. Based on what you know or have heard, please rate the job he is doing with the following...

#### 15. support for the troops and the military

	Percent	Cumulative Percent
1 Strongly Approve	34.8	34.8
2 Somewhat Approve	26.7	61.5
3 Somewhat Disapprove	12.7	74.2
4 Strongly Disapprove	17.4	91.6
5 Don't know not sure	8.4	100.0
Total	100.0	
Missing	0	
Total		

#### 16. revamping Obamacare/Affordable Care Act

	Percent	Cumulative Percent
1 Strongly Approve	19.1	19.1
2 Somewhat Approve	19.9	38.9
3 Somewhat Disapprove	13.8	52.8
4 Strongly Disapprove	41.3	94.1
5 Don't know not sure	5.9	100.0
Total	100.0	
Missing	0	
Total		

17. protecting the United States from terrorism

	Percent	Cumulative Percent
1 Strongly Approve	27.9	27.9
2 Somewhat Approve	24.3	52.2
3 Somewhat Disapprove	17.2	69.3
4 Strongly Disapprove	23.6	92.9
5 Don't know not sure	7.1	100.0
Total	100.0	
Missing	0	
Total		

18. the opioid crisis in the United States

	Percent	Cumulative Percent
1 Strongly Approve	15.0	15.0
2 Somewhat Approve	24.9	39.9
3 Somewhat Disapprove	17.8	57.7
4 Strongly Disapprove	24.1	81.7
5 Don't know not sure	18.3	100.0
Total	100.0	
Missing	0	
Total		

19. immigration decisions

	Percent	Cumulative Percent
1 Strongly Approve	24.6	24.6
2 Somewhat Approve	19.3	43.8
3 Somewhat Disapprove	11.6	55.5
4 Strongly Disapprove	39.4	94.9
5 Don't know not sure	5.1	100.0
Total	100.0	
Missing	0	
Total		

### 20. relations with other nations

	Percent	Cumulative Percent
1 Strongly Approve	19.4	19.4
2 Somewhat Approve	18.5	37.8
3 Somewhat Disapprove	15.9	53.8
4 Strongly Disapprove	40.1	93.9
5 Don't know not sure	6.1	100.0
Total	100.0	
Missing	0	
Total		

### 21. jobs and the economy

	Percent	Cumulative Percent
1 Strongly Approve	23.6	23.6
2 Somewhat Approve	25.8	49.3
3 Somewhat Disapprove	16.4	65.8
4 Strongly Disapprove	25.7	91.5
5 Don't know not sure	8.5	100.0
Total	100.0	
Missing	0	
Total		

### 22. keeping his campaign promises

	Percent	Cumulative Percent
1 Strongly Approve	18.1	18.1
2 Somewhat Approve	23.0	41.0
3 Somewhat Disapprove	15.7	56.8
4 Strongly Disapprove	33.6	90.4
5 Don't know not sure	9.6	100.0
Total	100.0	
Missing	0	
Total		

23. handling of the media

	Percent	Cumulative Percent
1 Strongly Approve	19.2	19.2
2 Somewhat Approve	16.5	35.7
3 Somewhat Disapprove	11.9	47.6
4 Strongly Disapprove	47.1	94.8
5 Don't know not sure	5.2	100.0
Total	100.0	
Missing	0	
Total		

24. addressing racial/ethnic divide in the nation

	Percent	Cumulative Percent
1 Strongly Approve	18.1	18.1
2 Somewhat Approve	17.6	35.6
3 Somewhat Disapprove	11.7	47.3
4 Strongly Disapprove	45.5	92.9
5 Don't know not sure	7.1	100.0
Total	100.0	
Missing	0	
Total		

25. handling relations with Russia

	Percent	Cumulative Percent
1 Strongly Approve	16.5	16.5
2 Somewhat Approve	19.2	35.7
3 Somewhat Disapprove	13.3	49.0
4 Strongly Disapprove	41.6	90.7
5 Don't know not sure	9.3	100.0
Total	100.0	
Missing	0	
Total		

26. his twitter messages

	Percent	Cumulative Percent
1 Strongly Approve	11.7	11.7
2 Somewhat Approve	14.3	26.1
3 Somewhat Disapprove	14.0	40.1
4 Strongly Disapprove	53.8	93.9
5 Don't know not sure	6.1	100.0
Total	100.0	
Missing 0		
Total		

**Divided Nation section**

The following are several statements about the political divisions in the United States. For each, please indicate if you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree.

27. We are more divided as a nation than ever before

	Percent	Cumulative Percent
1 Strongly Agree	47.2	47.2
2 Somewhat Agree	34.9	82.1
3 Somewhat Disagree	9.2	91.3
4 Strongly Disagree	5.1	96.4
5 Don't know not sure	3.6	100.0
Total	100.0	
Missing 0		
Total		



28. I see democracy slipping away in America

	Percent	Cumulative Percent
1 Strongly Agree	30.7	30.7
2 Somewhat Agree	36.4	67.0
3 Somewhat Disagree	17.2	84.3
4 Strongly Disagree	8.2	92.5
5 Don't know not sure	7.5	100.0
Total	100.0	
Missing	0	
Total		

29. At times, physical violence during demonstrations is justified

	Percent	Cumulative Percent
1 Strongly Agree	8.6	8.6
2 Somewhat Agree	12.1	20.7
3 Somewhat Disagree	14.6	35.4
4 Strongly Disagree	59.6	95.0
5 Don't know not sure	5.0	100.0
Total	100.0	
Missing	0	
Total		

30. At times, property damage during demonstrations is justified

	Percent	Cumulative Percent
1 Strongly Agree	8.0	8.0
2 Somewhat Agree	10.2	18.2
3 Somewhat Disagree	11.0	29.3
4 Strongly Disagree	66.0	95.3
5 Don't know not sure	4.7	100.0
Total	100.0	
Missing	0	
Total		

31. I have strong trust in the mainstream news media (such as U.S. newspapers, broadcasters, and online media, such as CBS, ABC, NBC, CNN, Associated Press, Washington Post, New York Times) to accurately cover politics in this nation

	Percent	Cumulative Percent
1 Strongly Agree	20.3	20.3
2 Somewhat Agree	27.8	48.1
3 Somewhat Disagree	16.8	64.9
4 Strongly Disagree	28.3	93.2
5 Don't know not sure	6.8	100.0
Total	100.0	
Missing	0	
Total		

32. I trust the statements, releases, and tweets from the new White House administration

	Percent	Cumulative Percent
1 Strongly Agree	11.6	11.6
2 Somewhat Agree	20.3	32.0
3 Somewhat Disagree	23.4	55.4
4 Strongly Disagree	37.7	93.1
5 Don't know not sure	6.9	100.0
Total	100.0	
Missing	0	
Total		

33. Not all free speech patterns should be protected

	Percent	Cumulative Percent
1 Strongly Agree	15.7	15.7
2 Somewhat Agree	28.6	44.3
3 Somewhat Disagree	20.6	64.9
4 Strongly Disagree	24.7	89.7
5 Don't know not sure	10.3	100.0
Total	100.0	
Missing	0	
Total		

34. Despite the sense of divides, in my own community, I am very optimistic about reducing political discord

	Percent	Cumulative Percent
1 Strongly Agree	14.1	14.1
2 Somewhat Agree	34.0	48.1
3 Somewhat Disagree	25.3	73.3
4 Strongly Disagree	13.1	86.5
5 Don't know not sure	13.5	100.0
Total	100.0	
Missing 0		
Total		

35. The new White House administration appears to be moving us toward authoritarianism

	Percent	Cumulative Percent
1 Strongly Agree	26.3	26.3
2 Somewhat Agree	28.2	54.4
3 Somewhat Disagree	12.5	66.9
4 Strongly Disagree	16.7	83.7
5 Don't know not sure	16.3	100.0
Total	100.0	
Missing 0		
Total		

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**Confederacy** – two statements added in September 2017 survey to measure levels of agreement as above

36. Confederate symbols such as statues, plaques, or memorabilia should be removed from public areas

	Percent	Cumulative Percent
1 Strongly Agree	21.8	21.8
2 Somewhat Agree	21.5	43.4
3 Somewhat Disagree	19.4	62.8
4 Strongly Disagree	28.3	91.1
5 Don't know not sure	8.9	100.0
Total	100.0	
Missing 0		
Total		

37. Retaining Confederate history is important

	Percent	Cumulative Percent
1 Strongly Agree	31.7	31.7
2 Somewhat Agree	34.0	65.6
3 Somewhat Disagree	12.3	78.0
4 Strongly Disagree	13.1	91.1
5 Don't know not sure	8.9	100.0
Total	100.0	
Missing 0		
Total		

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