

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY FALL 2014 POLL

TOPLINE RESULTS – REGISTERED VOTERS NOVEMBER 21, 2014

Total N=989 Tennessee registered voters¹

Landline RVs, N=527

Cell phone RVs, N=462

Margins of Error: ± 3.7 percentage points for results based on all Registered Voters [N=989]

Interviewing dates: November 10-20, 2014

Interview language: English only

Form split: approx. 50%/50%

Q1. I'd like your views on some government organizations and elected officials. As I read each, please tell me if you approve or disapprove of how each is handling their job. Do you approve or disapprove of [ITEM]?²

	APPROVE	DIS- APPROVE	(VOL.) NEED TO WAIT AND SEE / TOO EARLY TO TELL	(VOL.) DK ³	(VOL.) REF ⁴
a. The job Barack Obama is doing as President					
Current RVs ⁵	34	63	*	3	1
May 2014 RVs	39	57	1	3	1
December 2013 RVs	28	69	1	2	*
May 2013 RVs	40	56	1	3	1
December 2012 RVs	45	51	1	2	1
May 2012 RVs	42	55	*	2	1
February 2012 RVs	41	53	1	4	2
b. The job the U.S. Congress is doing					
Current RVs	23	70	1	5	1
May 2014 RVs	22	69	1	7	1
December 2013 RVs	17	78	1	3	0
May 2013 RVs	21	71	1	6	2
December 2012 RVs	21	68	2	8	1
May 2012 RVs	27	66	1	5	1
c. The job the Tennessee State Legislature is doing					
Current RVs	55	34	1	10	1

¹ A total of 1,201 Tennessee adults 18+ were interviewed for the November 2014 study. Topline results are for registered voters only.

² February 2012 question wording was slightly different: "I'd like your views on some government officials. As I read each, please tell me if you approve or disapprove of how each is handling their job. (First,) Do you approve or disapprove of [INSERT ITEMS IN ORDER]?"

³ The abbreviation DK stands for "Don't know"

⁴ The abbreviation REF stands for "Refused"

⁵ The abbreviation RVs stands for "Registered voters"

May 2014 RVs	49	34	2	13	2
December 2013 RVs	53	32	6	9	1
May 2013 RVs	51	30	4	14	1
December 2012 RVs	53	28	3	15	1
May 2012 RVs	51	33	1	14	1
February 2012 RVs	49	33	2	15	2
d. The job Bill Haslam is doing as Governor					
Current RVs	70	23	1	5	1
May 2014 RVs	58	31	2	9	2
December 2013 RVs	61	27	4	7	1
May 2013 RVs	63	23	2	11	1
December 2012 RVs	68	19	2	9	1
May 2012 RVs	64	22	2	10	1
February 2012 RVs	61	21	3	13	1
e. The job Lamar Alexander is doing as U.S. Senator					
Current RVs	51	34	1	12	2
May 2014 RVs	49	33	2	14	1
December 2013 RVs	49	35	5	11	1
May 2013 RVs	53	28	1	15	2
December 2012 RVs	55	24	2	18	1
May 2012 RVs	56	26	2	14	1
f. The job Bob Corker is doing as U.S. Senator					
Current RVs	52	31	2	13	2
May 2014 RVs	49	32	3	15	1
December 2013 RVs	52	33	5	9	*
May 2013 RVs	55	30	1	13	1
December 2012 RVs	59	23	2	14	1
May 2012 RVs	52	31	1	16	1
g. The job your city or county government is doing					
Current RVs	60	34	1	4	1

- Q2. Which of the following do you think should be the TOP priority of the Tennessee state government? (Health care), (Guns), (Immigration), (The economy, including jobs), (Education)] or something else?⁶

	ECON- OMY	EDUCA- TION	HEALTH CARE	IMMI- GRATION	SOCIAL ISSUES	GUNS	OTHER (SPECIFY)	(VOL.) DK	(VOL.) REF
Current RVs	40	27	20	6	n/a	2	4	*	1
May 2014 RVs	48	27	18	3	n/a	1	2	1	*
Dec 2013 RVs	48	28	17	2	n/a	2	2	1	*
May 2013 RVs	50	18	15	6	4	3	4	1	*
Dec 2012 RVs	60	18	10	4	4	1	1	1	*
May 2012 RVs	60	21	12	4	n/a	*	1	*	1

- Q3. Which of the following do you think should be the SECOND highest priority of the Tennessee state government? [(Health care), (Guns), (Immigration), (The economy, including jobs), (Education)] or something else?⁷

Based on registered voters who selected a top priority in the previous question

	ECON- OMY	EDUCA- TION	HEALTH CARE	IMMI- GRATION	SOCIAL ISSUES	GUNS	OTHER (SPECIFY)	(VOL.) DK	(VOL.) REF
Current RVs [N=977]	31	28	26	9	n/a	3	2	1	*
May 2014 RVs [N=1,232]	28	29	27	7	n/a	4	3	2	*
Dec 2013 RVs [N=853]	32	29	23	7	n/a	4	4	1	0
Dec 2012 RVs [N=883]	25	30	28	6	6	3	1	1	*
May 2012 RVs [N=817]	24	30	33	9	n/a	2	1	1	*

⁶ May 2013 trend was asked of a random half sample [N=506, including N=437 RVs]. May 2013 and December 2012 question wording was: "Which of the following do you think should be the TOP priority of the Tennessee state government? Do you think it should be... [RANDOMIZE: (the economy, including jobs), (education), (health care), (immigration), (social issues like abortion and gay rights), (guns)] or something else?"

⁷ December 2012 question wording was: "Which of the following do you think should be the SECOND highest priority of the Tennessee state government? [RANDOMIZE AND EXCLUDE RESPONSE GIVEN IN PREVIOUS QUESTION: (Health care), (Guns), (Immigration), (The economy, including jobs), (Education)] or something else?"

Q4. How would you rate the condition of the United States economy these days? Is it:⁸

	VERY GOOD	FAIRLY GOOD	FAIRLY BAD	VERY BAD	(VOL.) DK	(VOL.) REF
Current RVs	3	36	36	23	1	1
May 2014 RVs [N=573]	3	29	37	31	1	*
Dec 2013 RVs [N=431]	1	31	37	31	*	0
May 2013 RVs [N=453]	1	30	37	30	1	*
Dec 2012 RVs [N=467]	2	31	35	30	0	1
May 2012 RVs [N=826]	1	22	39	37	1	1
Feb 2012 RVs [N=1,508]	3	21	36	38	1	1

Q5. How would you rate the condition of the Tennessee state economy these days? Is it:⁹

Based on a random half sample of registered voters

	VERY GOOD	FAIRLY GOOD	FAIRLY BAD	VERY BAD	(VOL.) DK	(VOL.) REF
Current RVs [N=530]	8	56	24	10	2	*
May 2014 RVs [N=672]	4	56	28	9	2	1
Dec 2013 RVs [N=429]	4	62	24	9	1	0
May 2013 RVs [N=410]	5	47	33	12	2	1
Dec 2012 RVs [N=426]	3	50	30	13	3	*
May 2012 RVs [N=826]	2	42	34	19	1	1

Q6. How would you rate the condition of your local economy these days? Is it:

Based on a random half sample of registered voters not asked previous question [N=459]

CURRENT RVs	
9	Very good
43	Fairly good
28	Fairly bad, OR
17	Very bad?
3	(VOL.) Don't know
1	(VOL.) Refused

⁸ May 2014, December 2013, May 2013 and December 2012 trends were each asked of a random half sample [May 2014 N=700 including N=573 RVs / December 2013 N=502 including N=431 RVs / May 2013 N=532 including N=453 RVs / December 2012 N=532 including N=467 RVs]. May 2012 trend was asked of Total respondents. February 2012 trend was asked of Total registered voters.

⁹ May 2014, December 2013, May 2013 and December 2012 trends were each asked of a random half sample [May 2014 N=805 including N=672 RVs / December 2013 N=500 including N=429 RVs / May 2013 N=468 including N=410 RVs / December 2012 N=469 including N=426 RVs]. May 2012 trend was asked of Total respondents including 826 RVs.

Now, we are going to ask you some questions about the quality of public services that you may receive where you live.

- Q7. What grade would you give [ITEM]? A, B, C, D or F? [If respondent says they have no personal experience with this service, READ: Just tell me to the best of your knowledge.]

Based on a random half sample of registered voters [N=506]

	A	B	C	D	F	(VOL.) DK	(VOL.) REF
a. The performance of your local fire department	64	24	7	2	1	3	0
b. The performance of your local public schools	21	35	26	9	6	3	1
c. The performance of your local law enforcement	32	37	19	6	6	*	0
d. The quality and accessibility of your local health care services	29	36	21	7	6	1	0

- Q8. How does [ITEM] compare with other areas around the state? Would you say they are much better, better, average, worse or much worse compared to other areas around the state?

Based on a random half sample of registered voters not asked previous question [N=483]

	MUCH BETTER	BETTER	AVER- AGE	WORSE	MUCH WORSE	(VOL.) DK	(VOL.) REF
a. The performance of your local fire department	22	31	36	3	*	8	*
b. The performance of your local public schools	13	20	38	15	8	5	*
c. The performance of your local law enforcement	14	21	44	10	8	3	1
d. The quality and accessibility of your local health care services	12	26	43	9	3	6	*

Moving on...

REGIST. These days, many people are so busy they can't find time to register to vote, or move around so often they don't get a chance to re-register. Are you NOW registered to vote in your precinct or election district or haven't you been able to register so far?

CURRENT RVS	
100	Yes, registered
0	No, not registered
0	(VOL.) Don't know
0	(VOL.) Refused

Q9. If the 2016 presidential election were held today and the candidates were former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and former Florida governor Jeb Bush, for whom would you vote?

Based on a random half sample of registered voters [N=465]

CURRENT RVS	
37	Hillary Clinton
45	Jeb Bush
11	(VOL.) Neither
6	(VOL.) Don't know
1	(VOL.) Refused

Q10. If the 2016 presidential election were held today and the candidates were former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and former Massachusetts governor Mitt Romney, for whom would you vote?

Based on a random half sample of registered voters not asked previous question [N=524]

CURRENT RVS	
42	Hillary Clinton
44	Mitt Romney
10	(VOL.) Neither
3	(VOL.) Don't know
1	(VOL.) Refused

Q11. Which political party do you think has a majority of seats in the Tennessee state house – (the Republican Party), (the Democratic Party), neither party, or do you not know?¹⁰

CURRENT RVS		MAY 2014 RVS	MAY 2012 RVS
65	Republican	44	47
6	Democrat	12	9
1	Neither	1	*
27	Don't know	43	44
*	(VOL.) Refused	*	0

Q12. Which political party do you think has a majority of seats in your local city or county legislature? (The Republican Party), (the Democratic Party), neither party, or do you not know?

CURRENT RVS	
46	Republican
12	Democrat
4	Neither
37	Don't know
1	(VOL.) Refused

Q13. Which of the following comes closest to your view, even if neither is exactly right? I would prefer my legislators work with members of the other political party even if it means they have to compromise on some of their values and priorities ...OR... I would prefer my legislators pursue their own values and priorities even if it means they are unwilling to work with members of the other political party.¹¹

Based on a random half sample of registered voters [N=477]

CURRENT RVS		DEC 2013 RVS	DEC 2012 RVS
77	Work with members of other party	74	74
19	Pursue own values and priorities	22	21
1	(VOL.) Don't know	3	3
2	(VOL.) Refused	*	2

¹⁰ May 2014 trend was asked of all Form 1 respondents [N=736, including N=608 RVs]. May 2012 trend was asked of all Form 2 respondents [N=484, including N=400 RVs].

¹¹ December 2013 and December 2012 trends were asked of Total respondents and results shown here are for Total RVs. In December 2012, the phrase "opposing political party" was used in place of the current wording "other political party."

- Q14. Do you think political parties generally try to do what they think is right, or are they just trying to get elected?

Based on a random half sample of registered voters not asked previous question [N=512]

CURRENT RVS	
16	Generally do what they think is right
77	Just trying to get elected
4	(VOL.) Don't know
2	(VOL.) Refused

Now, I'd like to ask you some questions about your feelings toward the Democratic Party and Democrats you may know.

- Q15. How much do you generally agree with the Democratic Party's positions on important issues? Would you say you...

CURRENT RVS	
17	Mostly agree
28	Somewhat agree
9	Neither agree nor disagree
16	Somewhat disagree
27	Mostly disagree
2	(VOL.) Don't know
1	(VOL.) Refused

- Q16. How much do you generally trust Democratic Party leaders? Would you say you...

CURRENT RVS	
12	Mostly trust
25	Somewhat trust
18	Neither trust nor distrust
15	Somewhat distrust
28	Mostly distrust
1	(VOL.) Don't know
1	(VOL.) Refused

Q17. How much do you generally like people you know who vote for Democrats? Would you say you...

CURRENT RVS	
39	Mostly like
20	Somewhat like
27	Neither like nor dislike
3	Somewhat dislike
5	Mostly dislike
4	(VOL.) Don't know
2	(VOL.) Refused

Now, I'd like to ask you some questions about your feelings toward the Republican Party and Republicans you may know.

Q18. How much do you generally agree with the Republican Party's positions on important issues? Would you say you...

CURRENT RVS	
23	Mostly agree
36	Somewhat agree
9	Neither agree nor disagree
13	Somewhat disagree
17	Mostly disagree
2	(VOL.) Don't know
*	(VOL.) Refused

Q19. How much do you generally trust Republican Party leaders? Would you say you...

CURRENT RVS	
14	Mostly trust
31	Somewhat trust
17	Neither trust nor distrust
16	Somewhat distrust
21	Mostly distrust
1	(VOL.) Don't know
1	(VOL.) Refused

Q20. How much do you generally like people you know who vote for Republicans? Would you say you...

CURRENT RVS	
44	Mostly like
22	Somewhat like
22	Neither like nor dislike
4	Somewhat dislike
3	Mostly dislike
3	(VOL.) Don't know
2	(VOL.) Refused

Next I'd like to get your views on some issues that are being discussed in the country today.

Q21. How concerned are you that there will be a large outbreak of Ebola inside the United States within the next twelve months? Are you:

Based on a random half sample of registered voters [N=502]

CURRENT RVS	
20	Very concerned
27	Somewhat concerned
26	Not too concerned
25	Not concerned at all
*	(VOL.) Don't know
1	(VOL.) Refused

Q22. How concerned are you that there will be an attack by the militant group ISIS inside the United States within the next twelve months? Are you:

Based on a random half sample of registered voters not asked previous question [N=487]

CURRENT RVS	
34	Very concerned
36	Somewhat concerned
18	Not too concerned
10	Not concerned at all
1	(VOL.) Don't know
1	(VOL.) Refused

Q23. Which of the following statements about America comes closer to your view – even if neither is exactly right?

CURRENT RVS	
49	The United States is a country where anyone, regardless of their background, can work hard, succeed, and be comfortable financially
47	The widening gap between the incomes of the wealthy and everyone else is undermining the idea that every American has the opportunity to move up to a better standard of living
1	(VOL.) Both
2	(VOL.) Neither
2	(VOL.) Don't know
1	(VOL.) Refused

Q24. Which comes closer to your view about the use of marijuana by adults?¹²

Based on a random half sample of registered voters

CURRENT RVS		MAY 2014 RVS
29	It should be legal for personal use	32
42	It should be legal only for medicinal use	44
26	It should not be legal	22
1	(VOL.) Don't know	2
2	(VOL.) Refused	*
[N=495]		[N=637]

¹² May 2014 trend was asked of all Form 2 respondents [N=769, including N=637 RVs].

- Q25. As you may know, marijuana use is legal in some states. Do you think the federal government should take steps to enforce federal anti-marijuana laws in those states, or not?

Based on a random half sample of registered voters not asked previous question [N=494]

CURRENT RVS	
38	Yes, should take steps
58	No, should not
3	(VOL.) Don't know
1	(VOL.) Refused

- Q26. How much do you favor or oppose allowing same-sex couples to legally marry? Would you say you:

Based on a random half sample of registered voters [N=499]

CURRENT RVS	
15	Strongly favor
7	Somewhat favor
23	Neither favor nor oppose
7	Somewhat oppose
47	Strongly oppose
1	(VOL.) Don't know
1	(VOL.) Refused

- Q27. Which comes closest to your view about relationships of same-sex couples? Same-sex couples should be allowed to legally marry... Same-sex couples should be allowed to form civil unions, but not legally marry... OR, there should be no legal recognition of same-sex relationships.¹³

Based on a random half sample of registered voters not asked previous question

CURRENT RVS		DEC 2013 RVS	MAY 2013 RVS
32	Legally marry	32	32
25	Civil unions, not marriage	20	17
39	No legal recognition	45	46
2	(VOL.) Don't know	2	3
3	(VOL.) Refused	*	2
[N=490]		[N=436]	[N=414]

¹³ December 2013 and May 2013 questions were each asked of a random half sample [December 2013 N=501 including 436 RVs / May 2013 N=480 including N=414 RVs].

- Q28. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statement? Generations of slavery and discrimination have created conditions that make it difficult for blacks to work their way out of the lower class. Would you say you:

CURRENT RVS	
14	Strongly agree
24	Somewhat agree
23	Somewhat disagree
37	Strongly disagree
2	(VOL.) Don't know
1	(VOL.) Refused

- Q29. We hear a lot of talk these days about liberals and conservatives. Where would you place each of the following with respect to their views on SOCIAL ISSUES such as gay marriage, abortion, guns, or immigration? Would you consider [ITEM] very liberal... somewhat liberal... moderate – that is, neither liberal nor conservative... somewhat conservative... or very conservative on social issues?¹⁴

	VERY LIB.	SOME- WHAT LIB.	MOD- ERATE	SOME- WHAT CONS.	VERY CONS.	(VOL.) DK	(VOL.) REF
a. Yourself							
Current RVs	9	15	27	22	24	3	1
December 2012 RVs	13	19	12	24	28	3	1
b. President Barack Obama							
Current RVs	44	26	13	5	4	6	1
c. Governor Haslam							
Current RVs	3	11	21	37	16	11	2
December 2012 RVs	2	11	10	44	13	20	*
d. The Tennessee State Legislature							
Current RVs	3	11	20	33	22	10	1
December 2012 RVs	4	8	9	38	22	18	1
e. Fellow citizens in Tennessee							
Current RVs	2	8	19	38	26	5	*
December 2012 RVs	4	11	7	39	30	8	1

¹⁴ December 2012 question wording was: "We hear a lot of talk these days about liberals and conservatives. On a five-point scale that goes from very liberal to very conservative, where would you place each of the following with respect to their views on SOCIAL ISSUES such as gay marriage, abortion, guns, or immigration? (First,) how about [INSERT ITEMS; RANDOMIZE]? [READ AS NECESSARY: Would you consider (ITEM) very liberal, somewhat liberal, neither liberal nor conservative, somewhat conservative or very conservative on social issues?" Results for "moderate" reflect trend results for "neither liberal nor conservative."

[Now turning to issues that are being discussed in Tennessee...

Q30. Thinking about all the taxes you pay, how do you think the overall amount of taxation in Tennessee compares to that of other states in the U.S.? Do you think Tennessee is:¹⁵

CURRENT RVS		MAY 2013 RVS
7	One of the most heavily taxed states	10
19	Above average	23
40	About average	38
19	Below average	15
11	One of the least taxed states	11
3	(VOL.) Don't know	3
1	(VOL.) Refused	*

Q31. Some states, like Kentucky, have expanded Medicaid using money from the federal government to provide medical care for low-income people. Other states, like Georgia, have decided not to expand Medicaid. Do you strongly support, somewhat support, neither support nor oppose, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose expanding Medicaid coverage for low-income people in the state?

Based on a random half sample of registered voters [N=494]

CURRENT RVS	
32	Strongly support
24	Somewhat support
15	Neither support nor oppose
15	Somewhat oppose
11	Strongly oppose
2	(VOL.) Don't know
1	(VOL.) Refused

¹⁵ May 2013 question wording was: "Thinking about state and local taxes in Tennessee, how do you think the amount of taxation in the state compares to that of other states in the U.S.? Do you think Tennessee is...[READ]"

- Q32. Some states, like Kentucky, have expanded Medicaid using money from the federal government to provide medical care for low-income people. Other states, like Georgia, have decided not to expand Medicaid. Tennessee has decided not to expand Medicaid. Do you strongly support, somewhat support, neither support nor oppose, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose expanding Medicaid coverage for low-income people in the state?

Based on a random half sample of registered voters not asked previous question [N=495]

CURRENT RVS	
27	Strongly support
22	Somewhat support
16	Neither support nor oppose
17	Somewhat oppose
15	Strongly oppose
2	(VOL.) Don't know
1	(VOL.) Refused

- Q33. Who do you think is MOST responsible for health care policy in Tennessee?

Based on a random half sample of registered voters [N=480]

CURRENT RVS	
33	The federal government
55	The state government
7	Your local government
4	(VOL.) Don't know
1	(VOL.) Refused

- Q34. Given what you know about the Affordable Care Act that passed in 2010, do you have a generally favorable or generally unfavorable view of it, or have you not heard enough about it to form an opinion?¹⁶

	GENERALLY FAVORABLE	GENERALLY UNFAVORABLE	HAVEN'T HEARD ENOUGH	(VOL.) DK	(VOL.) REF
Current RVs	20	44	35	1	*
May 2014 RVs	21	41	37	n/a	1
Dec 2013 RVs	15	51	33	n/a	*
May 2013 RVs	16	40	43	1	*
Dec 2012 RVs	18	28	52	1	1

¹⁶ In May 2013, question was asked separately, each of independent random half samples in different placements in the survey; combined trend results are shown here. In December 2012, question was asked separately of Form 1 and Form 2 respondents in different placements in the survey; combined trend results are shown here.

Q35. On Election Day, Tennesseans voted in favor of Amendment 1, which allows the state legislature to make laws regulating abortion within the state. As I read this list, please tell me whether you would favor or oppose each of the following in Tennessee. What about a state law that would [ITEM]? Do you favor, neither favor nor oppose, or oppose this?

	FAVOR	NEITHER	OPPOSE	(VOL.) DK	(VOL.) REF
a. Require women seeking abortions to wait two days after an in-person consultation before having the procedure	55	12	30	2	1
b. Prohibit private health insurance plans from covering abortion costs	25	18	53	2	1
c. Require second trimester abortions to be performed in a hospital	49	15	32	3	1
d. Require women seeking abortions to have an ultrasound before having the procedure	47	17	34	2	1
e. Outlaw abortion altogether, even in cases of rape, incest, and when the mother's life is in danger	21	10	67	1	1

Q36. As you may know, in the last few years, states have been deciding whether or not to use the Common Core, which are education standards for reading and math that are the same across the states. In the states that have these standards, they will be used to hold public schools accountable for their performance. How much do you support or oppose the use of the Common Core standards in Tennessee? Would you say you...

Based on a random half sample of registered voters [N=503]

CURRENT RVS	
21	Strongly support
17	Somewhat support
12	Neither support nor oppose
18	Somewhat oppose
28	Strongly oppose these Common Core standards
4	(VOL.) Don't know
1	(VOL.) Refused

- Q37. As you may know, in the last few years, states have been deciding whether or not to use one set of education standards for reading and math that are the same across the states. In the states that have these standards, they will be used to hold public schools accountable for their performance. How much do you support or oppose the use of these standards in Tennessee? Would you say you...

Based on a random half sample of registered voters not asked previous question [N=486]

CURRENT RVS	
19	Strongly support
24	Somewhat support
18	Neither support nor oppose
16	Somewhat oppose
18	Strongly oppose these standards
3	(VOL.) Don't know
2	(VOL.) Refused

- Q38. Who do you think is MOST responsible for education policy in Tennessee?

Based on a random half sample of registered voters not asked Q33 [N=509]

CURRENT RVS	
12	The federal government
53	The state government
31	Your local government
3	(VOL.) Don't know
*	(VOL.) Refused

- Q39. How concerned are you about the use or sale of methamphetamines — also known as crystal meth — where you live? Are you...

Based on a random half sample of registered voters [N=516]

CURRENT RVS	
58	Very concerned
24	Somewhat concerned
10	Not too concerned
7	Not concerned at all
1	(VOL.) Don't know
*	(VOL.) Refused

- Q40. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? There should be more emphasis on the arts and music in public schools today. Would you say you:

Based on a random half sample of registered voters not asked previous question [N=473]

CURRENT RVS	
61	Agree
24	Neither agree nor disagree
13	Disagree
1	(VOL.) Don't know
*	(VOL.) Refused

- Q41. Now, we are going to ask you some questions about your television viewing habits. For each of the following TV programs, please tell me if you watch them on a regular basis, or not. [ITEM] Do you watch this program on a regular basis, or not?]

	YES	NO	(VOL.) DK	(VOL.) REF
a. ABC's "Nashville"	15	84	1	*
b. NBC's "Meet the Press"	15	85	*	0
c. ESPN's "Monday Night Football"	29	71	0	*
d. Netflix's "Orange is the New Black"	8	90	2	*

- Q42. Do you own any clothing from a professional or collegiate team sport that you wear in public, such as jerseys, t-shirts, sweatshirts or hats?

CURRENT RVS	
50	Yes
50	No
*	(VOL.) Don't know
*	(VOL.) Refused

- Q43. DURING THE PAST 12 months, did you personally see a doctor, nurse, or medical professional for any reason?

CURRENT RVS	
83	Yes
16	No
*	(VOL.) Don't know
*	(VOL.) Refused

TP1. Do you think of yourself as part of the Tea Party movement?

	YES	NO	(VOL.) NEVER HEARD OF TEA PARTY	(VOL.) DK	(VOL.) REF
Current RVs	14	79	3	3	*
May 2014 RVs	15	76	3	6	1
Dec 2013 RVs	16	76	5	3	*
May 2013 RVs	15	74	4	6	1
Dec 2012 RVs	14	72	6	7	1
May 2012 RVs	15	79	1	5	1
February 2012 RVs	14	80	4	2	*

TP2. In general, do you support the Tea Party movement's ideas?¹⁷

	YES	NO	(VOL.) DON'T KNOW WHAT THE TEA PARTY MOVEMENT'S IDEAS ARE	(VOL.) NEVER HEARD OF TEA PARTY	(VOL.) DK	(VOL.) REF
Current RVs	34	50	8	4	3	2
May 2014 RVs	34	47	10	4	5	1
Dec 2013 RVs	40	43	8	6	2	*
May 2013 RVs	37	42	9	5	6	1
Dec 2012 RVs	31	46	11	6	5	2
May 2012 RVs	37	46	6	2	7	1

PARTY. Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as a:

CURRENT RVS	
25	Democrat
32	Republican
29	Independent
12	Something else
1	(VOL.) Don't know
1	(VOL.) Refused

¹⁷ For the current poll and trends, this question was asked of all respondents except those who said they have never heard of the Tea Party in the previous question. Results shown here have been recalculated to combine all those who volunteered in either question that they have never heard of the Tea Party.

PTYSTRDEM. Would you call yourself a Strong Democrat or Not a strong Democrat? [READ IF NECESSARY: Whatever strong means to you.]

Based on registered voters who self-identify as Democrats [N=249]

CURRENT RVS	
58	Strong Democrat
40	Not a Strong Democrat
1	(VOL.) Don't know
1	(VOL.) Refused

PTYSTRREP. Would you call yourself a Strong Republican or Not a strong Republican? [READ IF NECESSARY: Whatever strong means to you.]

Based on registered voters who self-identify as Republicans [N=319]

CURRENT RVS	
57	Strong Republican
41	Not a Strong Republican
1	(VOL.) Don't know
*	(VOL.) Refused

PARTYLN2. [IF INDEPENDENT/SOMETHING ELSE/DK/REFUSED, ASK:] Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican Party, Democratic Party or neither?

CURRENT RVS	
34	Democrat / Lean Democrat
45	Republican / Lean Republican
20	Neither
1	(VOL.) Don't know
*	(VOL.) Refused

IDEO3. How would you generally describe your views on most political matters? Are you:

CURRENT RVS	
15	Very conservative
29	Conservative
34	Moderate
14	Liberal
5	Very liberal
3	(VOL.) Don't know
1	(VOL.) Refused