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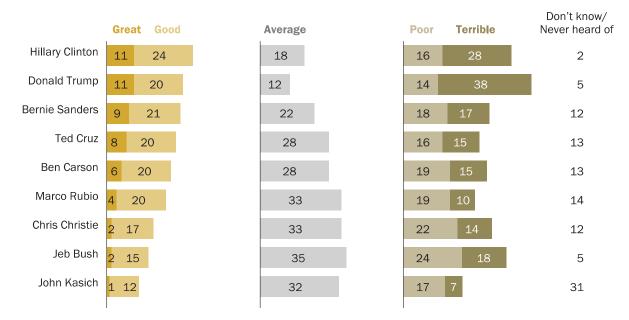
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A year before the next president takes office, voters are skeptical that any of the leading 2016 candidates would make a good president. Moreover, of nine candidates included in the survey, far more voters say each would make a "terrible" than "great" president.

The latest national survey by the Pew Research Center, conducted Jan. 7-14 among 2,009 adults, including 1,525 registered voters, finds that 35% of voters say that Hillary Clinton would make either a good or great president, with 11% saying she would be great. More voters (44%) say Clinton would be either poor or terrible in the White House; 28% say she would be terrible. About one-in-five (18%) think Clinton would make an average president.

### Voters' views of candidates as possible presidents

% of registered voters who say each candidate would make a \_\_\_\_ president



Source: Survey conducted Jan. 7-14, 2016. Based on registered voters. Figures may not add to 100% because of rounding.

Nearly a third (31%) say Donald Trump would be either a good or great president; 11% say he would be great. Roughly half (52%) think Trump would make a poor or terrible president, with 38% saying he would be terrible. Just 12% think Trump would be an average president.

Views of other candidates as potential presidents – Bernie Sanders, Ted Cruz and Marco Rubio – are more mixed. Three-in-ten (30%) say Sanders would be either a good or great president, while 35% say he would be poor or terrible, and 22% say he would be average. About as many voters say Cruz would be great or good in the White House (28%) as say he would be poor or terrible (31%); 28% say he would be average. Similarly, voters have divided views of Rubio as president: 25% say he would be good or great, 28% poor or terrible and 33% average.

Views of four other GOP candidates as potential presidents – Ben Carson, Chris Christie, Jeb Bush and John Kasich – are more negative than positive, on balance.

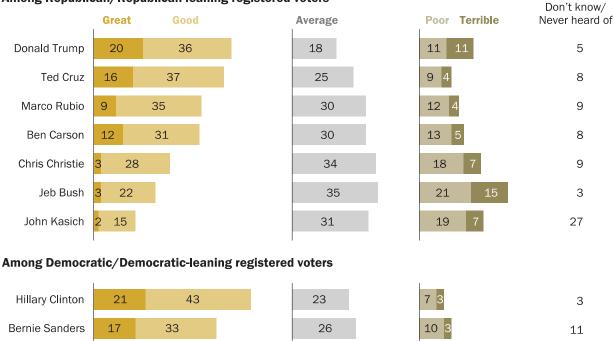
Republican and Republican-leaning registered voters see several GOP candidates as potentially good or great presidents. A majority (56%) of Republican voters say Trump would make a good or great president, while 22% say he would be poor or terrible, and 18% say he would make an average president.

More Republican voters also say Cruz would be a good or great president (53%) than either a poor or terrible president (13%), or an average one (25%).

The possibility of Rubio and Carson becoming president also is viewed more positively than negatively by Republican voters. More than four-in-ten (44%) say Rubio would make either a good or great president, while 17% say he would be poor or terrible and 30% think he would make an average president. The prospect of Carson becoming president elicits similar reactions among

## How Republican and Democratic voters view their party's candidates as potential presidents

% who say each candidate would make a \_\_\_\_ president



### Among Republican/Republican-leaning registered voters

Source: Survey conducted Jan. 7-14, 2016. Based on Republican/Republican leaning and Democratic/Democratic leaning registered voters. Figures may not add to 100% because of rounding.

GOP voters (44% good or great; 18% poor or terrible; 30% average).

Republican voters are less positive over the possibility of Christie, Kasich or Bush becoming president. While 32% say Christie would make a good or great president, nearly as many (26%) say he would be poor or terrible; about a third (34%) say Christie would be an average president. While 17% say Kasich would make a good or great president, 25% say he would be poor or terrible, and 31% think he would be average; 27% of Republican voters express no opinion about Kasich possibly becoming president, the highest percentage among GOP candidates.

About a quarter (26%) of Republican voters say Bush would make a good or great president; more say Bush would be either a poor or terrible president (36%), or an average president (35%).

Among Democratic voters, far more react positively to the possibility of Clinton than Sanders becoming president. A majority (64%) of Democratic and Democratic-leaning registered voters say Clinton would be either a good (43%) or great (21%) president. Just 11% say she would be poor or terrible, while 23% say she would be average.

About half of Democratic voters (51%) say Sanders would either make a good or great president; 13% say he would be poor or terrible and 26% say he would be average (11% of Democrats expressed no opinion of Sanders as a possible president).

### 2016 candidates: the view from the other side

Democrats react negatively to the prospect of all of the GOP candidates in the White House. But

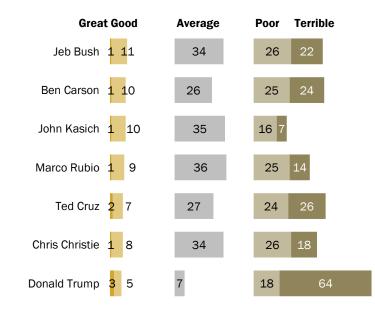
their views of a potential Trump presidency are particularly intense.

Fully 64% of Democratic and Democratic-leaning registered voters say Trump would make a terrible president. That is by far the highest percentage among the seven GOP candidates in the survey.

Liberal Democratic voters have overwhelmingly negative reactions to Trump as a possible president. About nine-in-ten (92%) say he would be either poor or terrible, with 78% describing Trump as a terrible potential president. Among conservative and moderate



% of Democratic and Democratic-leaning registered voters who say each would make a \_\_\_\_\_ president



Survey conducted Jan. 7-14, 2016. Based on Democratic and Democratic-leaning registered voters. "Don't know/Never heard of" responses not shown.



Democrats, 76% say Trump would be a poor or terrible president, with 56% saying he would be terrible.

Democrats have more negative than positive reactions to the other GOP candidates possibly becoming president, but no more than about a quarter of Democrats say any of these candidates would make terrible presidents.

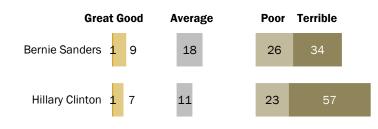
Among Republican voters, the prospect of Hillary Clinton becoming president elicits strongly negative reactions. Nearly six-in-ten Republicans (57%) say Clinton would be a terrible president,

while 23% say she would be poor. Most Republicans (60%) also say Sanders would be a poor or terrible president, but only about a third (34%) say Sanders would be terrible.

Conservative Republicans have particularly negative views of a potential Clinton presidency. About six-in-ten conservative Republican voters (63%) say Clinton would make a terrible

## A majority of GOP voters view Clinton as a 'terrible' potential president

% of Republican and Republican-leaning registered voters who say each would make a \_\_\_\_\_ president



Survey conducted Jan. 7-14, 2016. Based on Republican and Republican-leaning registered voters. "Don't know/Never heard of" responses not shown.

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president, compared with 44% of moderate and liberal Republicans.

### GOP voters' views of Republican candidates as president

The prospect of several GOP candidates becoming president is viewed more positively by conservative Republican voters than by the party's moderate and liberal voters, with the biggest differences in views of Cruz, Trump and Carson. (*For detailed tables on how each GOP candidate is viewed by Republican voters, see <u>here</u>.)* 

Among conservative Republicans, who make up a majority (63%) of all Republican and Republican-leaning voters, 66% say Cruz would make a good or great president, compared with just 8% who say he would be terrible or poor; 20% say he would be average. Among moderate and liberal voters, just 34% say Cruz would good or great in the White House.

A greater share of conservative Republicans (61%) than moderate and liberal Republicans (47%) say Trump would be a good or great president; conversely, more moderate and liberal Republicans (29%) than conservatives (17%) say Trump would be poor or terrible as president.

The possibility of Carson or Rubio becoming president also is viewed positively by more conservative than moderate and liberal Republicans. Views of other GOP candidates as president are more similar among conservative Republicans and the party's moderates and liberals.

## Among GOP voters, ideological differences in views of how Cruz, Trump, Carson and Rubio would do as president

% of Rep/Rep-leaning registered voters who say each would make a \_\_\_\_\_ president

	Conservative Republicans (63% of Rep/Rep-leaning voters ) NET NET Great/ Terrible/							Moderate/Liberal Republicans (36% of Rep/Rep-leaning voters ) NET NET						
	Great/ Good	Great	Good	Avg	Poor	Poor	Terrible	Great/ Good	Great	Good	Avg	/Terrible Poor		Terrible
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Ted Cruz	66	20	45	20	8	6	2	34	9	25	35	21	13	7
Donald Trump	61	22	39	18	17	8	9	47	15	32	18	29	15	14
Ben Carson	51	16	35	27	15	11	4	32	7	24	35	23	17	6
Marco Rubio	48	9	38	32	12	10	3	39	9	30	27	25	17	8
Jeb Bush	27	3	24	35	35	21	14	24	5	19	37	36	21	15
Chris Christie	33	3	29	34	24	17	7	30	3	28	34	28	20	9
John Kasich	16	2	14	33	26	18	7	18	2	16	29	25	19	6

Source: Survey conducted Jan. 7-14, 2016. "Don't know/Never heard of" responses note shown. Based on Republican and Republicanleaning registered voters.

The prospect of Donald Trump in the White House is viewed more positively by GOP voters who have not completed college than Republican college graduates – the only Republican candidate tested for whom this is the case.

About six-in-ten (59%) Republican voters without a college degree say Trump would be a good or great president, compared with 50% of Republican college graduates. Similarly, Republican college graduates take a more negative view of Trump becoming president (28% say he would be poor or terrible) than do those with less education (18%).

By contrast, a greater share of Republican college graduates (54%) than GOP non-college graduates (40%) react positively to Marco Rubio becoming president. This also is the case for Chris Christie (38% of GOP college grads vs. 28% of non-college grads) and John Kasich (23% vs. 14%).

### Less educated GOP voters more likely than Republican college graduates to see Trump as a 'good' or 'great' potential president

	College graduates (33% of Rep/Rep-leaning voters ) NET NET							Non-college graduates (67% of Rep/Rep-leaning voters ) NET NET						
	Great/ Good	Great	Good	Avg	Terrible/ Poor		Terrible	Great/ Good	Great	Good	Avg	Ferrible∕ Poor	/ Poor	Terrible
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Ted Cruz	53	19	34	25	15	9	5	54	15	39	26	12	9	4
Donald Trump	50	17	33	18	28	14	14	59	21	38	17	18	9	9
Ben Carson	46	13	33	28	19	14	5	43	12	30	31	17	12	5
Marco Rubio	54	10	43	26	16	11	5	40	9	31	32	17	13	4
Jeb Bush	30	3	27	37	31	18	12	23	4	19	34	38	22	17
Chris Christie	38	5	33	34	21	16	5	28	2	26	34	28	19	9
John Kasich	23	3	20	32	19	14	6	14	1	12	30	29	21	7

% of Rep/Rep-leaning registered voters who say each would make a \_\_\_\_\_ president

Source: Survey conducted Jan. 7-14, 2016. "Don't know/Never heard of" responses note shown. Based on Republican and Republicanleaning registered voters.

### How Democratic voters see Clinton, Sanders as potential presidents

The prospect of Hillary Clinton becoming president is viewed positively by majorities of both liberal Democratic voters and conservative and moderate Democrats. About seven-in-ten liberal Democrats (72%) say that Clinton would make a great or good president, while 59% of conservative and moderate Democrats hold this view. (*For detailed tables on how each Democratic candidate is viewed by Democratic voters, see <u>here</u>.)* 

Liberal Democrats are more likely than conservative and moderate Democrats (who make up 60% of all Democratic and Democratic-leaning registered voters) to express positive opinions about Bernie Sanders as president. While 70% of liberal Democrats say Sanders would make a good or great president, just 38% of conservative and moderate Democrats agree. Conservative and moderate Democrats are about twice as likely as liberals to see Sanders as an average possible president (33% vs. 16% of liberals), or a terrible or poor one (16% vs. 7%).

## Liberal Democrats far more likely than conservative and moderate Democrats to view Sanders as a 'great' or 'good' possible president

		(38% 0		-	ocrats eaning vo	ters)		Conservative/Moderate Democrats (60% of Dem/Dem-leaning voters)							
	NET Great/	Great/ Terrible/						NET NET Great/ Terribl					le/		
	Good	Great	Good	Avg	Poor	Poor	Terrible	Good	Great	Good	Avg	Poor	Poor	Terrible	
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	
Hillary Clinton	72	23	49	23	4	3	1	59	19	40	23	15	10	5	
Bernie Sanders	70	30	40	16	7	5	2	38	10	29	33	16	13	3	

% of Dem/Dem-leaning registered voters who say each would make a \_\_\_\_\_ president

Source: Survey conducted Jan. 7-14, 2016. "Don't know/Never heard of" responses note shown. Based on Democratic and Democraticleaning registered voters.

## More black Democrats think Clinton would make a good or great president than say that about Sanders

% of Dem/Dem-leaning registered voters who say each would make a \_\_\_\_\_ president

		(57% o			ispanic eaning vo	ters )		Black, non-Hispanic (21% of Dem/Dem-leaning voters )						)
	NET Great/	NET NET G						NET NET Great/ Terrible/						
	Good	Great	Good	Avg	Poor	Poor	Terrible	Good	Great	Good	Avg	Poor	Poor	Terrible
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Hillary Clinton	61	16	45	22	14	10	4	69	26	43	22	6	4	1
Bernie Sanders	56	22	34	23	15	11	3	48	13	35	26	11	8	3

Source: Survey conducted Jan. 7-14, 2016. "Don't know/Never heard of" responses note shown. Based on Democratic and Democraticleaning registered voters.

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White Democrats have similar opinions about Clinton and Sanders as potential presidents: 61% say Clinton would make a great or good president, while 56% say the same of Sanders. However, black Democrats are far more positive about the prospect of Clinton as president: 69% of black Democrats say Clinton would make a good or great president. By comparison, about half of black Democrats (48%) react positively to the idea of Sanders as president.

### How Democrats' views of Clinton as a possible president have changed

Fewer Democratic voters have a positive reaction to Clinton possibly becoming president today than did so in December 2007, before the first caucuses and primaries of the 2008 campaign. Currently, 21% of Democrats say Clinton would make a great president; 34% expressed this view eight years ago. About the same share of Democrats see Clinton as a good potential president as did so then (43% now, 44% then), while somewhat more see her as average (23% now, 15% then).

Ahead of the first contests in 2008, far more Democrats saw Barack Obama as a good or great potential president (70%) than say that about Sanders today (51%).

## Fewer Democrats see Clinton as 'great' potential president than in 2007

% of Dem/Dem-leaning registered voters who say each would make a \_\_\_\_ president

	Dec	2007	Jan	2016
	Clinton	Obama	Clinton	Sanders
	%	%	%	%
Great	34	26	21	17
Good	44	44	43	33
Average	15	17	23	26
Poor	4	6	7	10
Terrible	2	5	3	3
Don't know	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>11</u>
	100	100	100	100

Source: Survey conducted Jan. 7-14, 2016.

Based on Democratic and Democratic-leaning registered voters. December 2007 data from Gallup.

Figures may not add to 100% because of rounding.

### Overlap among partisans in views of the candidates as possible presidents

As both the Republican and Democratic candidates vie for primary and caucus votes, many voters in each party say that more than one candidate would make a great or a good president.

Among Democratic voters overall, 64% say Clinton would make either a good or great president, while 51% say this of Sanders. There is substantial overlap between these two groups. On balance, however, Clinton performs better among those who view a Sanders presidency positively than Sanders does among those who say Clinton would be a good or great president.

Among those who view a potential Clinton presidency positively, 54% say Sanders would also make a good or great president; 26% say he would be an average president,

## About two-thirds of those who say Sanders would be a good president say the same of Clinton

% of Democratic and Democratic-leaning registered voters who say each would make a \_\_\_\_president...

	Among the 64% who say Clinton would be great/good president, Sanders would be	Among the 51% who say Sanders would be great/good president, Clinton would be
	%	%
NET Great/Good	54	68
Great	19	20
Good	35	48
Average	26	23
NET Poor/Terrible	12	9
Don't know	<u>9</u>	<u>*</u>
	100	100
Ν	450	368

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while just 12% say he would either be a poor or terrible president.

Conversely, about two-thirds (68%) of those who say Sanders would be a good or great president also express a positive view of Clinton becoming president. Nearly a quarter (23%) say Clinton would be average, while 9% say she would be poor or terrible.

Among Republican voters who say Trump would be a great or good president, most (61%) say the same about Cruz. Roughly half say Rubio (48%) and Carson (51%) also would make good or great presidents. Those who react positively to a potential Trump presidency are less likely to say

Christie (35%), Bush (25%) and Kasich (18%) would make good or great presidents.

Among those who say Cruz would make a good or great president, similar majorities (about six-in-ten) say Trump (64%), Rubio (62%) and Carson (57%) would make good or great presidents, with smaller shares saying the same about Christie, Bush and Kasich. Among GOP voters who view a potential Rubio presidency positively, threequarters (75%) say Cruz would make a good or great president, while fewer say the same about Trump (60%) and Carson (57%).

## Majority of GOP voters who see Trump as good or great potential president say the same about Cruz

	Among Rep/Rep-leaning RVs who say each would be great/good president												
% who say would be great/good	Trump (56%)	<b>Cruz</b> (53%)	Rubio (44%)	Carson (44%)	Christie (32%)	Bush (26%)	Kasich (17%)						
president	%	%	%	%	%	%	%						
Trump		64	60	65	62	54	59						
Cruz	61		75	70	69	59	67						
Rubio	48	62		58	68	63	72						
Carson	51	57	57		59	55	53						
Christie	35	40	48	42		48	56						
Bush	25	28	36	32	39		40						
Kasich	18	21	27	20	30	26							
Ν	388	379	334	319	243	188	139						

Survey conducted Jan. 7-14, 2016. Based on Republican and Republican-leaning registered voters. Percentages read down (by column).

### With primaries ahead, Republicans more engaged by 2016 campaign

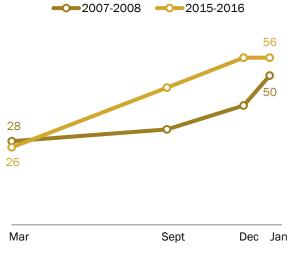
As has been the case throughout the 2016 campaign, voters remain highly engaged by the presidential contest. A majority of registered voters (56%) say they have given "a lot" of thought to the candidates running for president.

At this point in the 2008 campaign, following the Iowa caucuses and New Hampshire primary, fewer voters (50%) said they had thought a lot about the presidential candidates.

Interest in the campaign is unchanged since December, but has increased steadily since last March, when just 26% said they were giving a lot of thought to the presidential candidates.

## Voters more engaged by campaign than at this point in 2008 election

% of registered voters who have given 'a lot' of thought to the presidential candidates



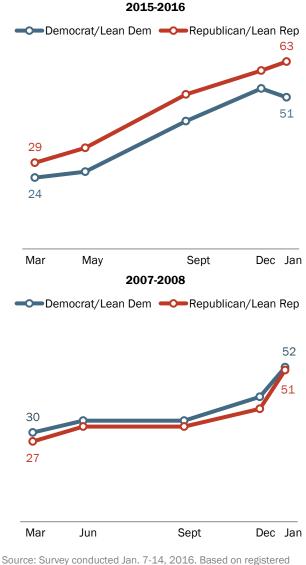
Source: Survey conducted Jan. 7-14, 2016. Based on registered voters.

Republicans are more likely than Democrats to say they have given a lot of consideration to the candidates. Currently, 63% of Republican and Republican-leaning voters say they have thought a lot about the presidential candidates, compared with 51% of Democratic and Democratic-leaning voters.

In January 2008, nearly identical shares of Democratic (52%) and Republican voters (51%) said they were giving a lot of thought to the candidates.

### Democrats' campaign interest on par with 2008; GOP voters more focused

% of registered voters who have given 'a lot' of thought to candidates, among...



Source: Survey conducted Jan. 7-14, 2016. Based on registered voters.

### Methodology

The analysis in this report is based on telephone interviews conducted January 7-14, 2016 among a national sample of 2,009 adults, 18 years of age or older, living in all 50 U.S. states and the District of Columbia (504 respondents were interviewed on a landline telephone, and 1,505 were interviewed on a cell phone, including 867 who had no landline telephone). The survey was conducted under the direction of Abt SRBI. A combination of landline and cell phone random digit dial samples were used; both samples were provided by Survey Sampling International. Interviews were conducted in English and Spanish. Respondents in the landline sample were selected by randomly asking for the youngest adult male or female who is now at home. Interviews in the cell sample were conducted with the person who answered the phone, if that person was an adult 18 years of age or older. For detailed information about our survey methodology, see <a href="http://www.pewresearch.org/methodology/u-s-survey-research/">http://www.pewresearch.org/methodology/u-s-survey-research/</a>

The combined landline and cell phone sample are weighted using an iterative technique that matches gender, age, education, race, Hispanic origin and nativity and region to parameters from the 2014 Census Bureau's American Community Survey and population density to parameters from the Decennial Census. The sample also is weighted to match current patterns of telephone status (landline only, cell phone only, or both landline and cell phone), based on extrapolations from the 2015 National Health Interview Survey. The weighting procedure also accounts for the fact that respondents with both landline and cell phones have a greater probability of being included in the combined sample and adjusts for household size among respondents with a landline phone. The margins of error reported and statistical tests of significance are adjusted to account for the survey's design effect, a measure of how much efficiency is lost from the weighting procedures.

The following table shows the unweighted sample sizes and the error attributable to sampling that would be expected at the 95% level of confidence for different groups in the survey:

Group	Unweighted sample size	Plus or minus
Total sample	2,009	2.5 percentage points
Registered voters (RVs)	1,525	2.9 percentage points
Republican/Rep-leaning RVs	702	4.2 percentage points
Democrat/Dem-leaning RVs	679	4.3 percentage points
Among Rep/Rep-leaning RVs		
Conservative	438	5.3 percentage points
Moderate/Liberal	254	7.0 percentage points
College graduate	323	6.2 percentage points
Non-college graduate	375	5.8 percentage points
Among Dem/Dem-leaning RVs		
Liberal	277	6.7 percentage points
Conservative/Moderate	389	5.7 percentage points
White, non-Hispanic	432	5.4 percentage points
Black, non-Hispanic	111	10.6 percentage points

Sample sizes and sampling errors for other subgroups are available upon request.

In addition to sampling error, one should bear in mind that question wording and practical difficulties in conducting surveys can introduce error or bias into the findings of opinion polls.

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### **QUESTIONS 1-3F1, 8F1-9F2, 19F1 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**

### **NO QUESTIONS 4-7, 10-18**

#### ASK ALL:

Thinking about the 2016 Presidential election ...

Q.20 How much thought, if any, have you given to candidates who may be running for president in 2016 **[READ IN ORDER]** 

Jan 7-14, 2016 Dec 8-13, 2015 Sep 22-27, 2015 May 12-18, 2015 Mar 25-29, 2015	<u>A lot</u> 47 48 39 25 22	<u>Some</u> 30 26 26 33 28	Not much 14 12 17 21 26	None <u>at all</u> 9 12 17 20 23	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u> 1 1 1 1 1
TRENDS FOR COMPARISON:					
2012 Presidential Election					
Feb 8-12, 2012 <sup>1</sup>	44	25	16	13	1
Jan 11-16, 2012	38	27	19	16	1
Jan 4-8, 2012	31	30	18	19	1
Nov 9-14, 2011	36	26	21	15	1
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	29	29	22	19	2
Aug 17-21, 2011	27	30	23	18	1
Jul 20-24, 2011	20	29	27	23	1
May 25-30, 2011	23	30	27	19	1
2008 Presidential Election					-
February, 2008	48	29	10	11	2
January, 2008	44	32	11	11	2
December, 2007	35	33	13	18	1
November, 2007	34	35	16	14	1
October, 2007	30	37	17	14	2
September, 2007	27	33	21	17	2
July, 2007	30	38	16	15	1
June, 2007	29	34	20	16	1
April, 2007	26	34	21	17	2
March, 2007	24	36	20	18	2
February, 2007	24	34	22	18	2
December, 2006	23	36	20	20	1

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<sup>1</sup> 

In 2011 and 2012, question read: "How much thought, if any, have you given to candidates running for president in 2012?" In 2006, 2007 and 2008, question read "How much thought, if any, have you given to candidates running for president in 2008?"

### ASK ALL:

Q.21 Thinking ahead to the presidential election that will take place in November 2016, regardless of who the nominees from each party are, do you think you will **[READ; READ CATEGORIES IN REVERSE ORDER FOR RANDOM HALF OF SAMPLE]**?

Jan 7-14 2016

- 22 Definitely vote for the Republican
- 15 Probably vote for the Republican [OR]
- 17 Probably vote for the Democrat [OR]
- 25 Definitely vote for the Democrat
- 8 Other/Neither (VOL.)
- 6 Too early to say/Need to know the nominees (VOL.)
- 7 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

### ASK ALL:

A year from now, a new president will be inaugurated...

Q.22 Regardless of who you currently support, I'd like to know what kind of president you think each of the following would be if elected in November 2016? First, [INSERT NAME; RANDOMIZE]. If [INSERT NAME] were to become president do you think (he/she) would be a great, good, average, poor, or terrible president? How about if [INSERT NEXT ITEM] were to become president? [IF NECESSARY: do you think he/she would be a great, good, average, poor, or terrible president? For item e. program "she"]

		Great <u>president</u>	Good <u>president</u>	Average <u>president</u>	Poor <u>president</u>	Terrible <u>president</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> Never heard of/ <u>DK/Ref</u>
a.	Ben Carson Jan 7-14, 2016	5	18	29	18	14	16
b.	Bernie Sanders Jan 7-14, 2016	9	21	24	17	15	15
с.	Chris Christie Jan 7-14, 2016	2	15	34	20	13	16
d.	Donald Trump Jan 7-14, 2016	10	19	13	15	39	5
e.	Hillary Clinton Jan 7-14, 2016 <b>TREND FOR</b>	12	26	20	15	25	3
	<b>COMPARISON:</b> <i>Gallup:</i> Dec 2007 <sup>2</sup>	<sup>2</sup> 19	29	18	14	18	1
f.	Jeb Bush Jan 7-14, 2016	3	15	35	22	18	7
g.	John Kasich Jan 7-14, 2016	1	10	33	16	7	33
h.	Marco Rubio Jan 7-14, 2016	4	20	33	18	9	17
i.	Ted Cruz Jan 7-14, 2016	6	18	30	16	13	16
NO QL	JESTIONS 23-24						

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In December 2007, question was asked in a list of Republican and Democratic candidates then running for president.

### QUESTIONS 25-28, 31-32, 34-38, 43, 63, 72, 74-76a HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

### NO QUESTIONS 29-30, 33, 39-42, 44-62, 64-71, 73

ASK ALL: PARTY In politics TODAY, do you consider yourself a Republican, Democrat, or independent? ASK IF INDEP/NO PREF/OTHER/DK/REF (PARTY=3,4,5,9):

PARTYLN As of today do you lean more to the Republican Party or more to the Democratic Party?

	Republican	Democrat	Independent	(VOL.) No preference		<b>(VOL.)</b> DK/Ref	Lean <u>Rep</u>	Lean <u>Dem</u>
Jan 7-14, 2016	24	30	38	5	1	2	14	17
Dec 8-13, 2015	26	31	37	4	*	2	16	15
Aug 27-Oct 4, 2015	5 24	29	41	4	*	2	17	17
Sep 22-27, 2015	26	30	40	2	*	2	15	16
Jul 14-20, 2015	22	32	41	4	*	1	15	19
May 12-18, 2015	24	32	38	3	1	2	15	18
Mar 25-29, 2015	25	30	39	4	*	2	15	17
Feb 18-22, 2015	24	31	38	4	1	1	18	17
Jan 7-11, 2015	21	30	44	3	1	1	19	18
Yearly Totals								
2015	23.7	30.4	40.1	3.6	.4	1.8	16.4	17.3
2014	23.2	31.5	39.5	3.1	.7	2.0	16.2	16.5
2013	23.9	32.1	38.3	2.9	.5	2.2	16.0	16.0
2012	24.7	32.6	36.4	3.1	.5	2.7	14.4	16.1
2011	24.3	32.3	37.4	3.1	.4	2.5	15.7	15.6
2010	25.2	32.7	35.2	3.6	.4	2.8	14.5	14.1
2009 2008	23.9 25.7	34.4 36.0	35.1 31.5	3.4 3.6	.4 .3	2.8 3.0	13.1 10.6	15.7 15.2
2008	25.7	32.9	34.1	4.3	.3 .4	2.9	10.0	17.0
2007	27.8	33.1	30.9	4.3	.4	3.4	10.9	15.1
2005	29.3	32.8	30.2	4.5	.3	2.8	10.3	14.9
2003	30.0	33.5	29.5	3.8	.5	3.0	11.7	13.4
2003	30.3	31.5	30.5	4.8	.5	2.5	12.0	12.6
2002	30.4	31.4	29.8	5.0	.7	2.7	12.4	11.6
2001	29.0	33.2	29.5	5.2	.6	2.6	11.9	11.6
2001 Post-Sept 11	30.9	31.8	27.9	5.2	.6	3.6	11.7	9.4
2001 Pre-Sept 11	27.3	34.4	30.9	5.1	.6	1.7	12.1	13.5
2000	28.0	33.4	29.1	5.5	.5	3.6	11.6	11.7
1999	26.6	33.5	33.7	3.9	.5	1.9	13.0	14.5
1998	27.9	33.7	31.1	4.6	.4	2.3	11.6	13.1
1997	28.0	33.4	32.0	4.0	.4	2.3	12.2	14.1
1996	28.9	33.9	31.8	3.0	.4	2.0	12.1	14.9
1995	31.6	30.0	33.7	2.4	.6	1.3	15.1	13.5
1994	30.1	31.5	33.5	1.3		3.6	13.7	12.2
1993	27.4	33.6	34.2	4.4	1.5	2.9	11.5	14.9
1992	27.6	33.7	34.7	1.5	0	2.5	12.6	16.5
1991	30.9	31.4	33.2	0	1.4	3.0	14.7	10.8
1990	30.9	33.2	29.3	1.2	1.9	3.4	12.4	11.3
1989	33	33	34					
1987	26	35	39					

### **QUESTIONS 77-78 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**