National Survey Results
2018 General Election Likely Voters
Political Environment, Trends & Analysis

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Methodology

This national survey was conducted among 1,000 likely 2018 general election voters.

All interviews were conducted from June 15th to June 19th, 2018. All interviews were conducted online and survey invitations were distributed randomly within predetermined geographic units.

These units were structured to correlate with actual voter turnout nationwide in a general election.

The sample of 1,000 likely general election voters has an accuracy of +/- 3.1% at a 95% confidence interval.

Margin of error increases for cross-tabulations.

The numbers in this presentation have been rounded and may not equal 100%.

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Major Findings

1. By overwhelming margins, voters in virtually every subgroup strongly believe that it is not fair or right to allow a particular group of illegal immigrants to "jump the line" and be awarded the benefits of legal status and a potential pathway to US citizenship before the hundreds of thousands of potential legal immigrants who have followed the law and waited for years and, in many cases, paid thousands of dollars to immigration attorneys to ensure they are complying with US law.

2. By a significant margin, voters — and the subgroups we're particularly interested in (Trump voters, GOP voters) — do not trust that if a deal is reached that trades amnesty for illegal immigrants now in exchange for a border wall and a secure border later, the border wall will ever be built and the border will never be secured.

3. The plurality of voters chooses "don't reward them for being illegal immigrants" when given the option of three.

4. By a margin of 42% to 25% among ALL likely voters, and by a margin of 61% to 18% among GOP voters and 59% to 19% among Trump voters, voters would be LESS LIKELY to vote to re-elect a GOP Member of Congress who voted to provide amnesty for a group of illegal immigrants.
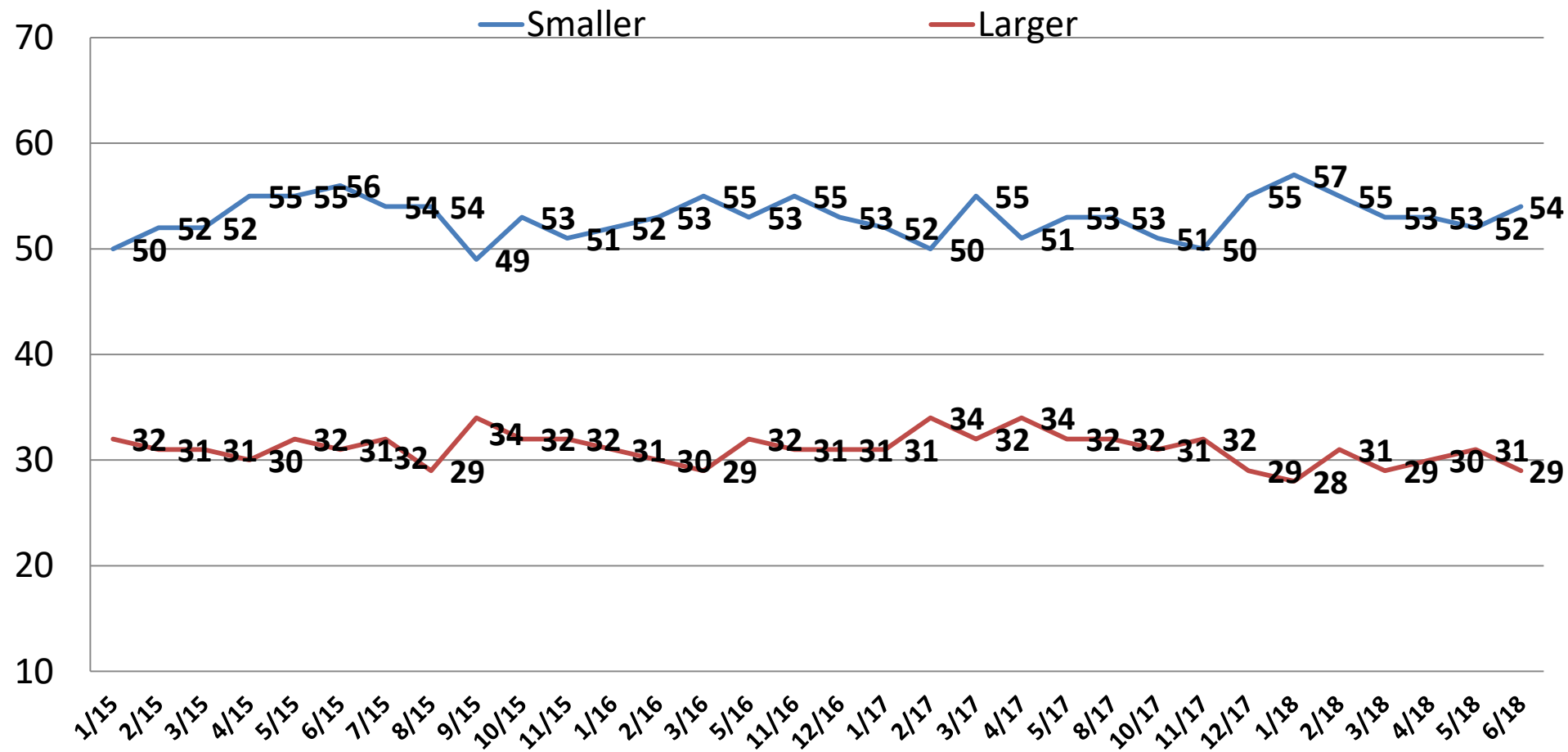
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Part One –
Political Environment

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Would you say you most favor a smaller government with fewer services or a larger government with many services?
Time Series

Legend: —— Smaller —— Larger

Smaller: 50, 52, 52, 55, 55, 56, 54, 54, 49, 53, 53, 51, 52, 53, 55, 55, 53, 55, 53, 52, 50, 55, 51, 53, 53, 51, 50, 55, 57, 55, 53, 53, 52, 54

Larger: 32, 31, 31, 30, 32, 31, 32, 29, 34, 32, 32, 31, 30, 29, 32, 31, 31, 31, 34, 32, 34, 32, 32, 31, 32, 29, 28, 31, 29, 30, 31, 29

X-axis: 1/15, 2/15, 3/15, 4/15, 5/15, 6/15, 7/15, 8/15, 9/15, 10/15, 11/15, 1/16, 2/16, 3/16, 5/16, 11/16, 12/16, 1/17, 2/17, 3/17, 4/17, 5/17, 8/17, 10/17, 11/17, 12/17, 1/18, 2/18, 3/18, 4/18, 5/18, 6/18
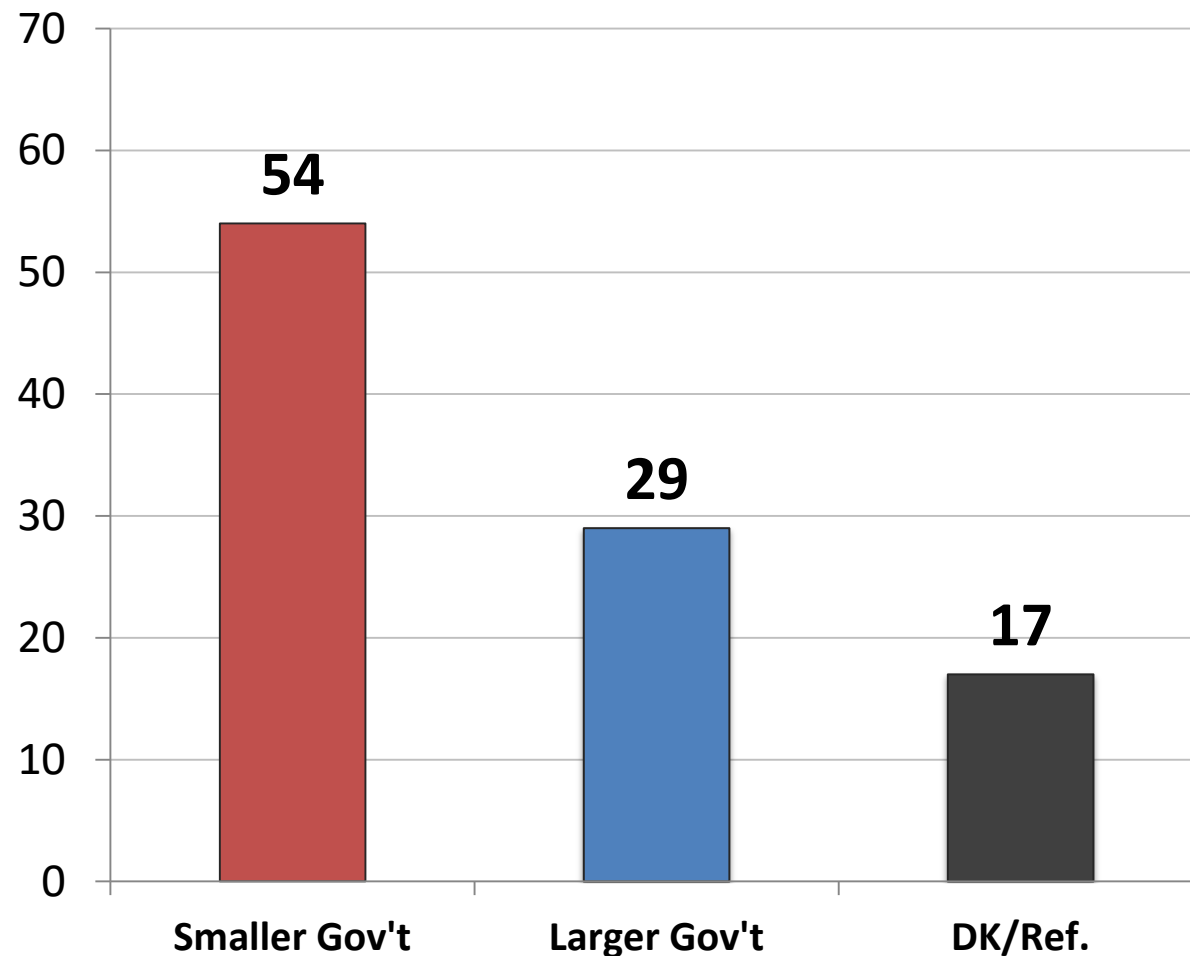
Would you say you most favor a smaller government with fewer services or a larger government with many services?

	Smaller	Larger
East	55	29
Midwest	58	24
South	52	31
West	52	30
Cont. Obama Pols.	37	47
Change Direction	72	16
Approve – Trump	70	18
Disapprove – Trump	39	41
Approve – GOP Majority	64	24
Disapprove – GOP Majority	50	35
Favorable – Trump	70	19
Unfavorable– Trump	41	39
Vote Pres. 2016 – Clinton	34	46
Vote Pres. 2016 – Trump	72	16
Vote Cong. 2018 – GOP	73	16
Vote Cong. 2018 – DEM	38	44
Vote Cong. 2018 – UND	42	19
Republican	68	19
Democrat	33	49
Independent	63	16
Liberal	33	53
Moderate	49	26
Conservative	72	17
No College Degree	54	27
College Graduate	54	31
White	59	24
African- American	30	44
Hispanic	51	41
Under 55	51	32
Over 55	59	24
Married	59	27
Single	50	32
Men	60	28
Women	49	29

Bar chart:
- Smaller Gov't: 54
- Larger Gov't: 29
- DK/Ref.: 17

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Part Two –
Issue Analysis

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Do you approve or disapprove of repealing and replacing the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, also known as "Obamacare?"
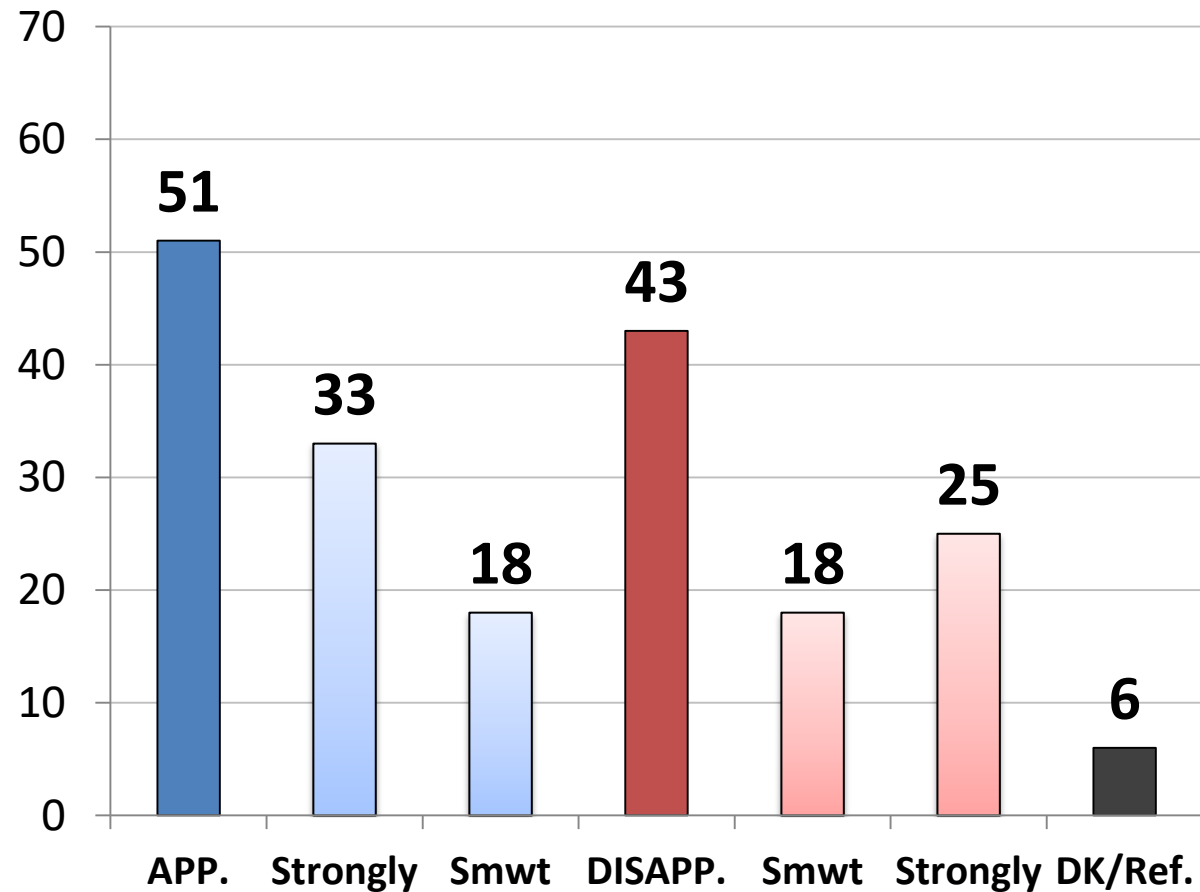## -Time Series-
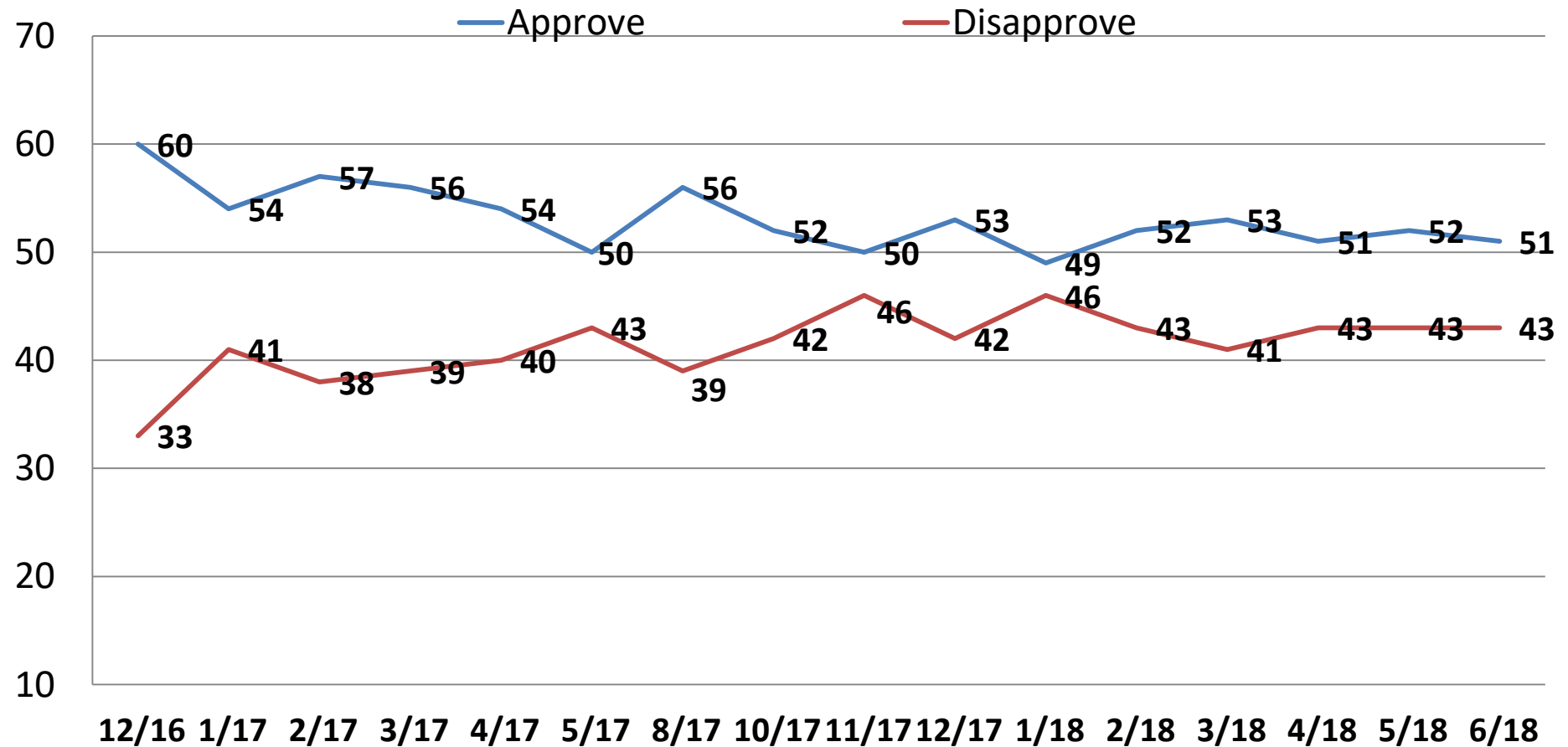
Do you approve or disapprove of repealing and replacing the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, also known as "Obamacare?"

	App.	Disapp.
East	51	40
Midwest	51	45
South	52	42
West	48	43
Cont. Obama Pols.	20	77
Change Direction	84	12
Approve – Trump	81	15
Disapprove – Trump	22	73
Approve – GOP Majority	78	18
Disapprove – GOP Majority	32	63
Favorable – Trump	84	12
Unfavorable– Trump	23	71
Vote Pres. 2016 – Clinton	17	78
Vote Pres. 2016 – Trump	84	12
Vote Cong. 2018 – GOP	82	14
Vote Cong. 2018 – DEM	22	73
Vote Cong. 2018 – UND	44	37
Republican	82	15
Democrat	24	70
Independent	49	41
Liberal	24	72
Moderate	43	49
Conservative	77	18
No College Degree	52	40
College Graduate	50	46
White	56	39
African- American	20	66
Hispanic	53	43
Under 55	50	43
Over 55	53	42
Married	60	35
Single	40	52
Men	55	41
Women	48	44

Chart values:
- APP.: 51
- Strongly: 33
- Smwt: 18
- DISAPP.: 43
- Smwt: 18
- Strongly: 25
- DK/Ref.: 6

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Do you believe it is fair or right to allow a particular group of illegal immigrants to "jump the line" and be awarded the benefits of legal status and a potential pathway to U.S. citizenship before the hundreds of thousands of potential legal immigrants who have followed the law and waited for years and, in many cases, paid thousands of dollars to immigration attorneys to ensure they are complying with U.S. law?
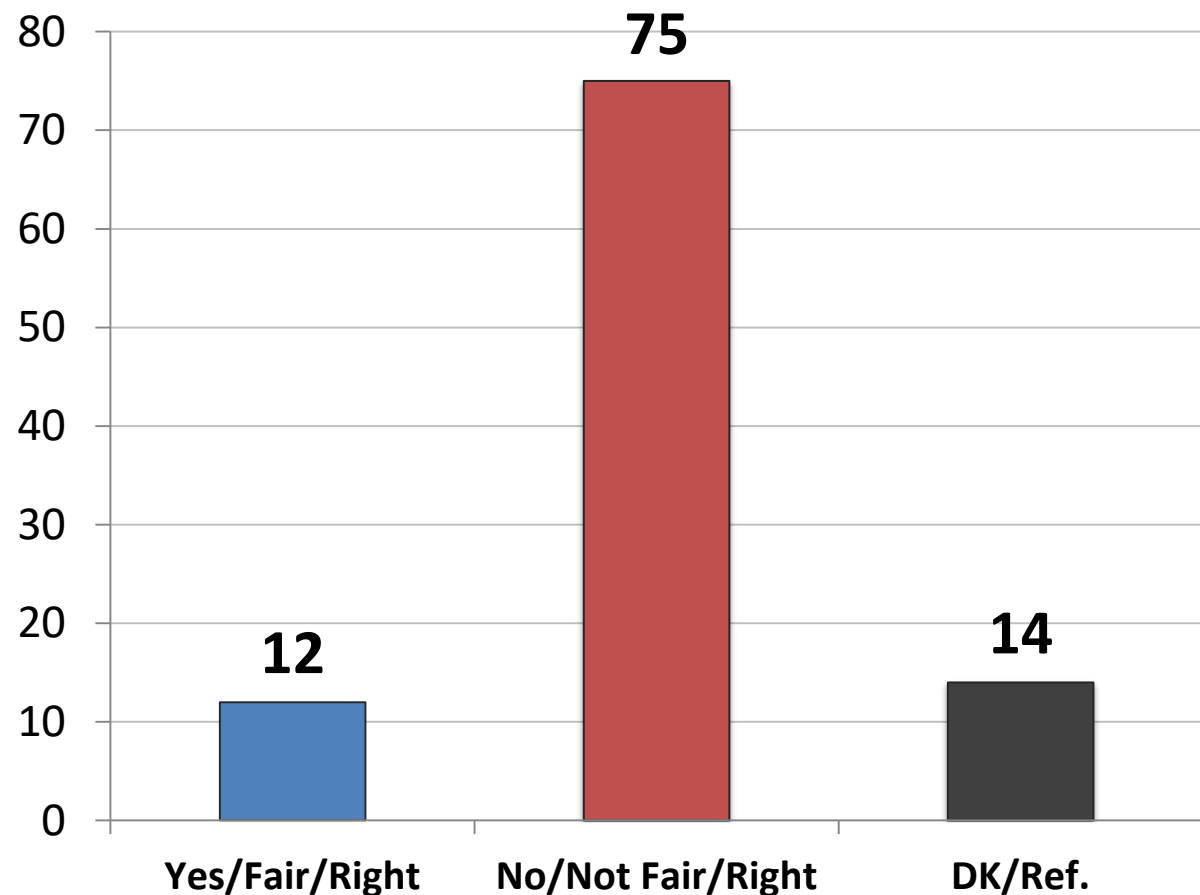
	Fair	Not Fair
East	11	73
Midwest	9	77
South	14	74
West	10	75
Cont. Obama Pols.	19	62
Change Direction	5	89
Approve – Trump	11	84
Disapprove – Trump	12	66
Approve – GOP Majority	13	82
Disapprove – GOP Majority	11	72
Favorable – Trump	11	83
Unfavorable– Trump	12	68
Vote Pres. 2016 – Clinton	16	62
Vote Pres. 2016 – Trump	8	86
Vote Cong. 2018 – GOP	9	87
Vote Cong. 2018 – DEM	16	62
Vote Cong. 2018 – UND	5	74
Republican	8	87
Democrat	18	61
Independent	7	77
Liberal	29	50
Moderate	8	76
Conservative	5	89
No College Degree	9	77
College Graduate	14	71
White	10	78
African- American	14	64
Hispanic	19	70
Under 55	15	70
Over 55	7	81
Married	12	76
Single	15	68
Men	15	72
Women	9	77

Chart:
- Yes/Fair/Right: 12
- No/Not Fair/Right: 75
- DK/Ref.: 14

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The last time Congress and the President came together to compromise on immigration was 1986. They committed to securing the borders and ending illegal immigration in exchange for providing amnesty for some 3 million illegal immigrants. The illegal immigrants received their amnesty, but the border was never secured, and illegal immigration continued unabated for another three decades. How much do you trust that if a similar deal is agreed to — that is, amnesty NOW in exchange for border security and an end to illegal immigration LATER — that the border will actually be secured, and illegal immigration ended?

Bar	Value
TRUST	33
A Great Deal	12
Smwt	21
NOT TRUST	50
Not Much	28
Not at All	22
DK/Ref.	17
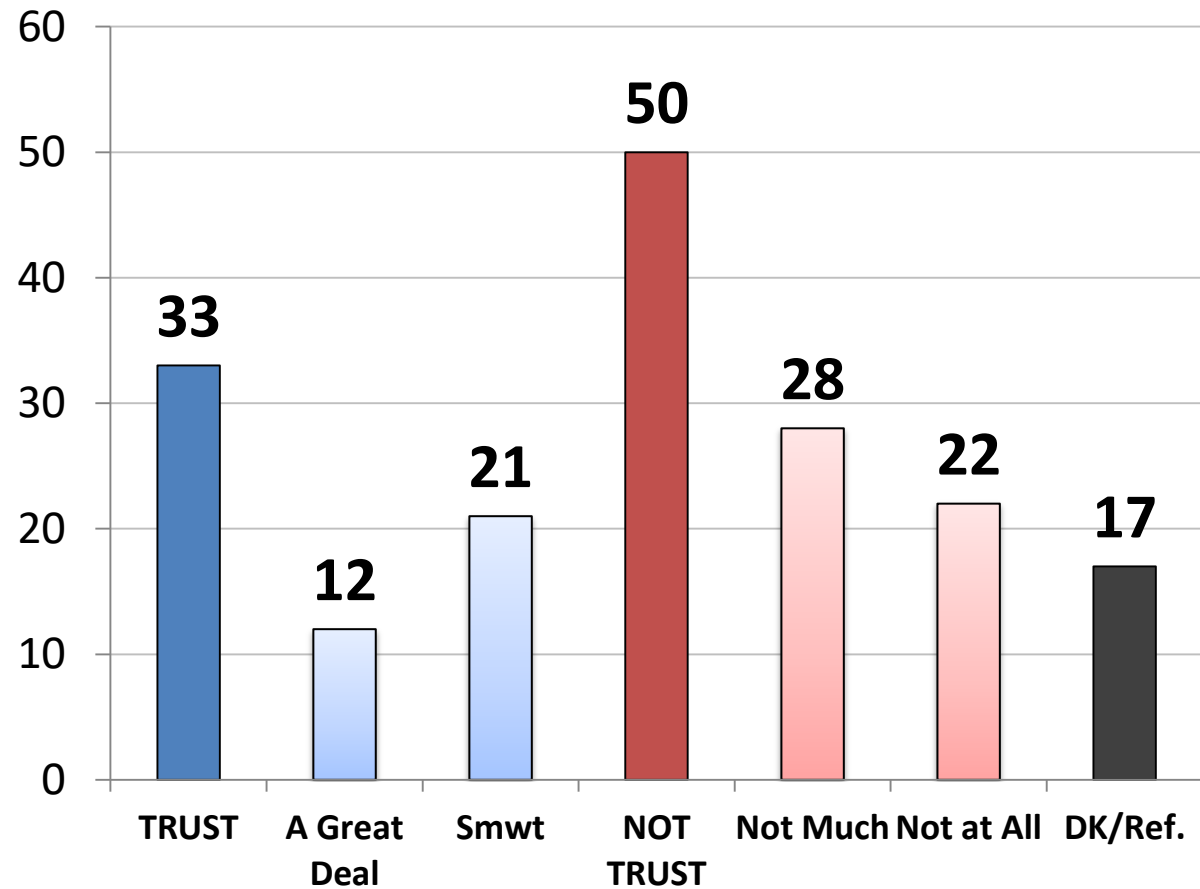
	Trust	Not Trust
East	33	45
Midwest	32	52
South	35	51
West	32	51
Cont. Obama Pols.	34	48
Change Direction	37	52
Approve – Trump	43	47
Disapprove – Trump	25	54
Approve – GOP Majority	47	44
Disapprove – GOP Majority	26	58
Favorable – Trump	44	46
Unfavorable– Trump	25	55
Vote Pres. 2016 – Clinton	28	51
Vote Pres. 2016 – Trump	41	48
Vote Cong. 2018 – GOP	40	51
Vote Cong. 2018 – DEM	30	51
Vote Cong. 2018 – UND	19	44
Republican	41	49
Democrat	35	46
Independent	23	56
Liberal	39	42
Moderate	27	52
Conservative	36	53
No College Degree	36	45
College Graduate	30	56
White	32	53
African- American	29	44
Hispanic	44	44
Under 55	37	46
Over 55	28	56
Married	33	51
Single	34	46
Men	37	51
Women	30	49

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In 2012, President Obama signed an executive action directing that the federal government would no longer deport a certain group of illegal immigrants, sometimes called "Dreamers" or "DACA recipients." In 2017, based on a Supreme Court decision blocking a similar executive action by President Obama, President Trump directed that this particular program be ended, and called on Congress to pass a new law. Some in Congress want to grant them full citizenship. Others in Congress want to grant them legal status, without any special pathway to citizenship. Still others in Congress believe they are illegal immigrants, and should not be rewarded for being illegal immigrants. Which comes closest to your view?
1. Grant them full citizenship
2. Grant them legal status, but NOT full citizenship
3. Don't reward them for being illegal immigrants

	Citzn	Legal	Don't Reward
East	26	28	40
Midwest	18	39	36
South	23	27	41
West	20	36	34
Cont. Obama Pols.	40	38	15
Change Direction	7	28	60
Approve – Trump	10	27	57
Disapprove – Trump	33	37	20
Approve – GOP Majority	13	29	51
Disapprove – GOP Majority	29	35	29
Favorable – Trump	11	26	57
Unfavorable– Trump	32	37	21
Vote Pres. 2016 – Clinton	37	36	18
Vote Pres. 2016 – Trump	7	28	60
Vote Cong. 2018 – GOP	9	28	57
Vote Cong. 2018 – DEM	36	37	20
Vote Cong. 2018 – UND	13	28	35
Republican	8	26	59
Democrat	37	34	20
Independent	18	35	37
Liberal	49	34	11
Moderate	20	34	35
Conservative	6	28	58
No College Degree	20	28	42
College Graduate	23	37	34
White	18	31	43
African- American	33	30	24
Hispanic	36	31	26
Under 55	26	32	32
Over 55	15	32	46
Married	18	33	42
Single	29	32	29
Men	21	31	41
Women	22	32	36

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Would you be more or less likely to vote to reelect a Republican Member of Congress who voted to provide amnesty for a group of illegal immigrants? If it would make no difference, just say so.

Chart values:
- M.L.: 25
- Much: 8
- Smwt: 17
- L.L.: 42
- Smwt: 15
- Much: 27
- NO DIFF.: 23
- UNSURE: 11
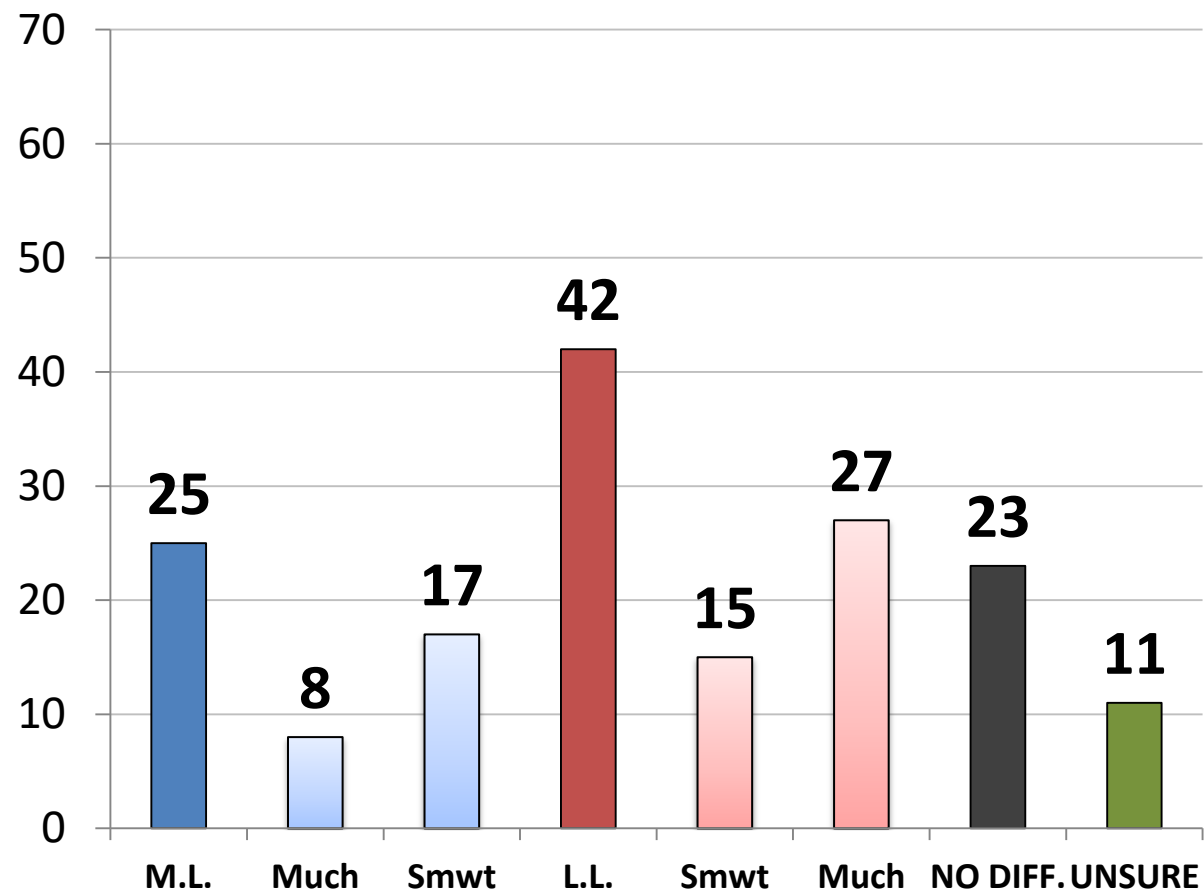
	ML	LL	ND
East	25	39	27
Midwest	22	42	25
South	26	44	20
West	25	41	23
Cont. Obama Pols.	37	22	33
Change Direction	16	62	14
Approve – Trump	19	59	14
Disapprove – Trump	31	26	32
Approve – GOP Majority	25	53	14
Disapprove – GOP Majority	26	37	29
Favorable – Trump	19	59	14
Unfavorable– Trump	31	28	32
Vote Pres. 2016 – Clinton	30	26	34
Vote Pres. 2016 – Trump	19	59	13
Vote Cong. 2018 – GOP	19	62	13
Vote Cong. 2018 – DEM	33	25	32
Vote Cong. 2018 – UND	15	31	24
Republican	18	61	13
Democrat	30	28	31
Independent	26	38	23
Liberal	41	19	34
Moderate	26	34	26
Conservative	13	65	12
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College Graduate	26	40	27
White	22	45	23
African- American	26	32	25
Hispanic	40	38	16
Under 55	31	36	22
Over 55	17	49	25
Married	24	42	24
Single	29	37	24
Men	28	44	21
Women	22	40	25

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2018 Likely General Election Voter Profile

Party	Total	Age	Total	Race	Total
Republican	33%	18-29	19%	White	71%
Democrat	36%	30-40	19%	African American	12%
Independent	31%	41-55	27%	Hispanic	11%
Ideology	**%**	56-65	20%	Asian	4%
Liberal	26%	Over 65	16%	**Gender**	**%**
Moderate	39%			Male	47%
Conservative	35%			Female	53%

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