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1. Congressional control

Thinking ahead to the 2018 elections, which party would you rather see control Congress?

	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)				
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
The Democratic Party	34%	30%	37%	29%	36%	34%	34%	31%	53%	28%	30%
The Republican Party	36%	42%	30%	30%	28%	35%	53%	43%	5%	20%	47%
It doesn't make a difference to me	16%	18%	14%	25%	18%	15%	5%	14%	21%	25%	6%
Not sure	15%	10%	19%	16%	18%	16%	9%	12%	21%	27%	17%
Totals	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(994)	(422)	(572)	(151)	(281)	(361)	(201)	(769)	(100)	(79)	(46)

	Party ID			2016 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Clinton	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
The Democratic Party	34%	81%	19%	3%	88%	2%	34%	39%	37%	34%	34%	31%	36%
The Republican Party	36%	4%	24%	91%	2%	89%	30%	38%	47%	34%	38%	37%	34%
It doesn't make a difference to me	16%	9%	29%	3%	4%	6%	20%	11%	7%	15%	18%	16%	13%
Not sure	15%	6%	29%	3%	6%	3%	16%	12%	9%	17%	9%	16%	17%
Totals	101%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(994)	(319)	(392)	(283)	(331)	(351)	(472)	(267)	(110)	(227)	(259)	(308)	(200)

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2. Family separation acceptable

Recently, U.S. officials have separated children from their parents after the adults were arrested for crossing the border into the United States without proper documentation. Do you think this family separation is:

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Acceptable	30%	39%	22%	24%	29%	28%	42%	35%	9%	20%	36%
Unacceptable	51%	44%	57%	55%	47%	53%	47%	47%	69%	59%	38%
Not sure	19%	17%	21%	20%	24%	19%	12%	17%	22%	22%	26%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	101%	99%	100%	101%	100%
Unweighted N	(990)	(420)	(570)	(152)	(277)	(361)	(200)	(765)	(100)	(79)	(46)

	Party ID			2016 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Clinton	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Acceptable	30%	5%	24%	68%	4%	72%	25%	33%	39%	31%	28%	32%	30%
Unacceptable	51%	85%	47%	17%	93%	13%	54%	52%	45%	50%	55%	50%	48%
Not sure	19%	9%	28%	15%	4%	15%	20%	15%	16%	19%	18%	18%	22%
Totals	100%	99%	99%	100%	101%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(990)	(317)	(391)	(282)	(331)	(349)	(472)	(266)	(109)	(227)	(256)	(308)	(199)

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3. Good thing or not

Which comes closer to your view about these family separations?

Asked of those who think family separation is acceptable

	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)				
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
They're a good thing, because they deter other families from trying to enter the U.S.	48%	49%	45%	*	58%	53%	41%	45%	*	*	*
They're not a good thing, but they are necessary to carry out U.S. immigration policy	44%	41%	48%	*	38%	39%	52%	47%	*	*	*
Nether of the above	5%	5%	4%	*	1%	6%	7%	4%	*	*	*
Not sure	4%	5%	2%	*	3%	2%	0%	4%	*	*	*
Totals	101%	100%	99%	*	100%	100%	100%	100%	*	*	*
Unweighted N	(313)	(174)	(139)	(28)	(82)	(119)	(84)	(267)	(10)	(21)	(15)

	Party ID			2016 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Clinton	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
They're a good thing, because they deter other families from trying to enter the U.S.	48%	*	49%	47%	*	48%	54%	43%	39%	55%	44%	50%	37%
They're not a good thing, but they are necessary to carry out U.S. immigration policy	44%	*	40%	46%	*	47%	34%	50%	59%	38%	41%	40%	60%
Nether of the above	5%	*	9%	3%	*	3%	4%	4%	2%	6%	3%	7%	3%
Not sure	4%	*	2%	4%	*	1%	7%	3%	0%	1%	12%	3%	0%

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	Total	Party ID			2016 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Clinton	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Totals	101%	*	100%	100%	*	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(313)	(21)	(114)	(178)	(12)	(243)	(132)	(85)	(46)	(72)	(75)	(107)	(59)

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4. Angry about separations

Are you angry about these family separations?

Asked of those who think family separation is unacceptable

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Yes	79%	72%	84%	74%	84%	75%	89%	81%	77%	75%	*
No	13%	16%	10%	18%	9%	14%	6%	11%	10%	23%	*
Not sure	8%	11%	6%	8%	6%	11%	5%	8%	13%	2%	*
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	*
Unweighted N	(518)	(196)	(322)	(94)	(147)	(182)	(95)	(379)	(71)	(45)	(23)

	Party ID			2016 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Clinton	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Yes	79%	90%	67%	71%	95%	50%	77%	84%	79%	79%	76%	77%	88%
No	13%	6%	19%	19%	2%	38%	13%	9%	19%	16%	17%	10%	8%
Not sure	8%	3%	14%	9%	3%	13%	10%	7%	3%	5%	8%	13%	4%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	101%	100%	100%	101%	100%	101%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(518)	(273)	(189)	(56)	(305)	(53)	(256)	(149)	(51)	(119)	(138)	(153)	(108)

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5. Intentional action

Do you think officials in the Trump administration are intentionally trying to separate undocumented families who cross into the United States?

	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)				
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Yes, they are	42%	38%	46%	40%	43%	45%	39%	39%	60%	47%	36%
No, they are not	35%	40%	31%	32%	31%	33%	47%	40%	13%	27%	39%
Not sure	22%	22%	23%	28%	25%	22%	14%	21%	27%	26%	26%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%
Unweighted N	(993)	(421)	(572)	(152)	(280)	(360)	(201)	(767)	(102)	(78)	(46)

	Party ID			2016 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Clinton	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Yes, they are	42%	76%	35%	16%	90%	11%	44%	44%	47%	41%	44%	40%	44%
No, they are not	35%	14%	29%	70%	5%	79%	29%	41%	40%	33%	35%	37%	36%
Not sure	22%	10%	36%	15%	6%	10%	26%	14%	13%	26%	21%	23%	20%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	101%	101%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(993)	(320)	(392)	(281)	(331)	(350)	(472)	(268)	(109)	(227)	(257)	(310)	(199)

6. Administration view of separations

Which do you think comes closer to the Trump administration's view about these family separations?

	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)				
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
That they're a good thing, because they deter other families from trying to enter the U.S.	32%	35%	30%	29%	34%	35%	31%	36%	26%	24%	19%
That they're not a good thing, but they are necessary to carry out U.S. immigration policy	29%	28%	29%	22%	18%	32%	43%	32%	22%	17%	32%
Nether of the above	19%	17%	21%	22%	23%	15%	19%	17%	26%	24%	28%
Not sure	19%	19%	20%	27%	25%	19%	6%	15%	26%	35%	21%
Totals	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	101%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(995)	(422)	(573)	(153)	(280)	(361)	(201)	(768)	(102)	(79)	(46)

	Party ID			2016 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Clinton	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
That they're a good thing, because they deter other families from trying to enter the U.S.	32%	42%	27%	30%	54%	24%	31%	39%	29%	30%	36%	30%	35%
That they're not a good thing, but they are necessary to carry out U.S. immigration policy	29%	15%	24%	52%	9%	60%	25%	32%	40%	27%	32%	28%	28%
Nether of the above	19%	26%	21%	9%	28%	9%	21%	16%	20%	23%	15%	21%	18%
Not sure	19%	17%	28%	9%	9%	7%	22%	13%	11%	20%	17%	21%	19%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

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	Party ID			2016 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Clinton	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Unweighted N	(995)	(320)	(392)	(283)	(332)	(351)	(473)	(268)	(109)	(229)	(257)	(310)	(199)

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7. Partially responsible

Who do you think is at least partially responsible for these family separations? Select all that apply.

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
The Trump administration	36%	32%	39%	37%	29%	38%	39%	35%	43%	32%	35%
Republicans in Congress	24%	27%	21%	29%	22%	24%	21%	23%	27%	27%	21%
Democrats in Congress	26%	32%	20%	28%	22%	23%	33%	29%	11%	22%	34%
The court system	14%	17%	11%	19%	14%	10%	15%	15%	7%	11%	16%
Undocumented parents who take their children across the border	44%	50%	39%	38%	37%	46%	56%	50%	28%	29%	47%
Not sure	11%	9%	14%	12%	14%	13%	5%	10%	17%	15%	5%
None of the above	8%	7%	8%	9%	16%	5%	1%	6%	10%	12%	12%
Unweighted N	(1,000)	(423)	(577)	(154)	(283)	(362)	(201)	(771)	(103)	(80)	(46)

	Party ID			2016 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Clinton	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
The Trump administration	36%	67%	29%	12%	81%	8%	36%	39%	43%	32%	37%	36%	38%
Republicans in Congress	24%	40%	21%	11%	46%	15%	22%	30%	31%	23%	25%	24%	26%
Democrats in Congress	26%	14%	23%	44%	10%	47%	23%	24%	32%	27%	18%	29%	28%
The court system	14%	13%	13%	16%	12%	21%	12%	16%	16%	13%	15%	15%	12%
Undocumented parents who take their children across the border	44%	22%	44%	71%	19%	83%	41%	44%	57%	44%	46%	47%	39%
Not sure	11%	9%	18%	4%	5%	2%	13%	10%	6%	11%	10%	13%	12%
None of the above	8%	3%	12%	6%	2%	4%	9%	5%	6%	8%	9%	5%	9%
Unweighted N	(1,000)	(321)	(394)	(285)	(332)	(352)	(476)	(268)	(111)	(229)	(260)	(311)	(200)

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8. Most responsible

Who do you think is MOST responsible for these family separations?

	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)				
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
The Trump administration	32%	28%	35%	33%	26%	33%	33%	30%	41%	31%	31%
Republicans in Congress	2%	2%	2%	2%	5%	1%	1%	1%	5%	4%	2%
Democrats in Congress	10%	14%	6%	10%	7%	11%	14%	11%	6%	8%	15%
The court system	3%	3%	3%	6%	3%	1%	2%	3%	1%	7%	0%
Undocumented parents who take their children across the border	34%	37%	31%	29%	28%	36%	44%	39%	19%	22%	34%
Not sure	12%	9%	14%	12%	14%	13%	5%	10%	18%	15%	5%
None of the above	8%	7%	8%	9%	17%	5%	1%	6%	11%	12%	12%
Totals	101%	100%	99%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	99%	99%
Unweighted N	(992)	(422)	(570)	(152)	(280)	(360)	(200)	(768)	(99)	(79)	(46)

	Total	Party ID			2016 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Clinton	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
The Trump administration	32%	63%	24%	8%	79%	2%	31%	35%	38%	31%	31%	30%	35%
Republicans in Congress	2%	4%	1%	2%	3%	1%	3%	1%	2%	3%	2%	2%	2%
Democrats in Congress	10%	6%	7%	19%	5%	16%	8%	12%	13%	11%	6%	10%	14%
The court system	3%	3%	3%	2%	1%	3%	3%	2%	1%	2%	3%	3%	2%
Undocumented parents who take their children across the border	34%	12%	34%	59%	6%	71%	34%	34%	35%	34%	38%	36%	26%
Not sure	12%	9%	18%	4%	5%	2%	13%	10%	6%	11%	10%	13%	12%
None of the above	8%	3%	13%	6%	2%	4%	9%	5%	6%	9%	9%	5%	9%
Totals	101%	100%	100%	100%	101%	99%	101%	99%	101%	101%	99%	99%	100%
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9. Infest our country

Do you agree or disagree with this statement? 'Illegal immigrants...pour into and infest our Country.'

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Strongly agree	22%	26%	18%	10%	24%	24%	31%	25%	10%	13%	28%
Somewhat agree	19%	21%	16%	14%	14%	21%	26%	22%	15%	7%	16%
Somewhat disagree	12%	8%	15%	13%	14%	11%	10%	11%	12%	14%	16%
Strongly disagree	30%	26%	34%	41%	28%	28%	26%	28%	42%	36%	26%
Not sure	17%	17%	16%	22%	21%	16%	8%	14%	22%	29%	13%
Totals	100%	98%	99%	100%	101%	100%	101%	100%	101%	99%	99%
Unweighted N	(992)	(422)	(570)	(152)	(280)	(360)	(200)	(767)	(99)	(80)	(46)

	Party ID			2016 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Clinton	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Strongly agree	22%	4%	19%	49%	2%	55%	21%	22%	24%	21%	20%	23%	24%
Somewhat agree	19%	13%	17%	29%	5%	29%	20%	20%	16%	23%	21%	17%	15%
Somewhat disagree	12%	14%	14%	7%	15%	7%	12%	13%	11%	14%	14%	9%	12%
Strongly disagree	30%	60%	25%	4%	72%	3%	29%	35%	37%	26%	29%	33%	34%
Not sure	17%	9%	26%	11%	6%	5%	18%	11%	12%	16%	15%	19%	15%
Totals	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	99%	100%	101%	100%	100%	99%	101%	100%
Unweighted N	(992)	(320)	(391)	(281)	(331)	(349)	(473)	(268)	(109)	(228)	(258)	(308)	(198)

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Interviewing Dates	June 19 - 20, 2018
Target population	U.S. citizens, aged 18 and over.
Sampling method	Respondents were selected from YouGov's opt-in Internet panel using sample matching. A random sample (stratified by gender, age, race, education, geographic region, and voter registration) was selected from the 2014 American Community Study. Voter registration was imputed from the November 2014 Current Population Survey Registration and Voting Supplement.
Weighting	The sample was weighted based on gender, age, race, education, 2012 and 2016 Presidential votes. The weights range from 0.201 to 6.532, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.81.
Number of respondents	1000
Margin of error	± 4% (adjusted for weighting)
Survey mode	Web-based interviews
Questions not reported	47 questions not reported.