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**U.S. VOTER SUPPORT FOR GUN CONTROL AT ALL-TIME HIGH,  
QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY NATIONAL POLL FINDS;  
TRUMP HELPED TEXAS, FLORIDA, NOT PUERTO RICO, VOTERS SAY**

American voters support stricter gun laws 60 – 36 percent, the highest level of support ever, according to a Quinnipiac University national poll released today. The previous high support was 54 – 42 percent June 28.

Voters also support 73 – 25 percent, including 62 – 34 percent among Republicans and 67 – 29 percent among voters in households where there is a gun, a ban on modifications to make a semi-automatic weapon fire more like an automatic weapon, the independent Quinnipiac (KWIN-uh-pe-ack) University Poll finds.

Consistent with every Quinnipiac University poll since February 2013, in the wake of the Sandy Hook Massacre, American voters support 94 – 5 percent requiring background checks for all gun purchases. Voters in gun households support universal background checks 93 – 6 percent. Support for other nationwide gun measures is:

- 79 – 19 percent for a mandatory waiting period for all gun purchases;
- 64 – 32 percent for a ban on the sale of assault weapons;
- 86 – 12 percent for a ban of the sale of guns to people convicted of a violent crime;
- 58 – 38 percent for stricter regulations on ammunition sales;
- 64 – 34 percent for a ban on high-capacity magazines that hold more than 10 rounds.

American voters say 63 – 27 percent that it’s possible to make new gun laws without interfering with gun rights. Republicans voters say 51 – 37 percent that it’s possible to make gun laws that don’t interfere with gun rights and voters in gun households agree 57 – 33 percent.

“The Las Vegas massacre echoes though a survey that shows American voters want stricter gun laws and a ban on high-capacity clips and bump stocks, the device that makes a lethal weapon even more lethal,” said Tim Malloy, assistant director of the Quinnipiac University Poll.

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American voters say 57 – 27 percent President Donald Trump and his administration have done enough to help Texas in the wake of Hurricane Harvey. Voters also say 57 – 26 percent the president and his administration have done enough to help Florida in the wake of Hurricane Irma.

But voters say 55 – 36 percent that Trump and his administration have not done enough to help Puerto Rico in the wake of Hurricane Maria. Hispanic voters say 76 – 17 percent that the Trump Administration has not done enough.

President Trump does not care about the problems facing Puerto Rico after Maria, voters say 52 – 43 percent. Hispanic voters say 72 – 23 percent that Trump does not care.

### **North Korea**

American voters say 57 – 40 percent that they do not have confidence in Trump to handle the situation with North Korea.

But voters say 65 – 28 percent they do have confidence in “top national security and diplomatic officials” to handle the situation with North Korea.

The U.S. will be able to resolve the North Korean situation diplomatically, 54 percent of voters say, while 29 percent say it will need to use military force.

The U.S. should negotiate with North Korea, 65 percent of voters say, while 30 percent say negotiations are a waste of time.

Voters oppose 62 – 26 percent a preemptive strike on North Korea.

“Voters don’t have confidence in President Donald Trump to handle North Korea, but they’re hoping other members of the Trump team will step up,” Malloy said.

American voters disapprove 60 – 35 percent of the way the media covers Trump and disapprove 59 – 39 percent of the way Trump talks about the media. Voters trust the media more than Trump 52 – 37 percent to tell the truth about important issues.

From October 5 – 10, Quinnipiac University surveyed 1,482 voters nationwide with a margin of error of +/- 3 percentage points, including the design effect. Live interviewers call landlines and cell phones.

The Quinnipiac University Poll, directed by Douglas Schwartz, Ph.D., conducts nationwide public opinion surveys and statewide polls in Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Florida, Ohio, Virginia, Iowa and Colorado as a public service and for research.

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30. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling - gun policy?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE.....			
							Yes	No		
Approve	42%	83%	9%	38%	50%	35%	40%	56%		
Disapprove	47	10	82	47	39	54	50	32		
DK/NA	11	7	9	15	11	11	10	12		
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....					
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Approve	31%	45%	44%	43%	55%	40%	48%	19%	29%	
Disapprove	53	46	47	44	36	47	41	71	57	
DK/NA	16	9	9	13	10	12	11	9	14	
	REGION.....				DENSITY.....			Gun		
	NEast	MWest	South	West	City	Suburb	Rural	Hshld		
Approve	33%	44%	46%	43%	33%	39%	58%	60%		
Disapprove	53	44	46	44	56	51	28	29		
DK/NA	14	11	8	14	11	9	14	11		

31. Do you approve or disapprove of the way the news media has covered President Trump?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE.....			
							Yes	No		
Approve	35%	8%	64%	33%	29%	40%	37%	25%		
Disapprove	60	90	29	62	66	54	59	69		
DK/NA	5	2	8	5	5	6	5	5		
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....					
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Approve	34%	31%	35%	41%	26%	36%	31%	59%	36%	
Disapprove	56	64	61	54	70	58	64	32	59	
DK/NA	9	5	4	5	5	5	5	9	5	

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way the news media has covered President Trump?

	App	Dis	DK/NA
Oct 12, 2017	35	60	5
Aug 23, 2017	40	55	5
Aug 16, 2017	37	58	5
May 25, 2017	39	57	4
May 10, 2017	37	58	5
Mar 07, 2017	41	53	6
Feb 22, 2017	45	50	4

32. Do you approve or disapprove of the way President Trump talks about the media?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Approve	39%	77%	7%	36%	47%	31%	35%	52%
Disapprove	59	21	91	61	51	67	63	45
DK/NA	2	2	2	3	2	2	2	3

  

	AGE IN 18-34	YRS..... 35-49	50-64	65+	WHITE.....		Wht	Blk	Hsp
					Men	Wom			
Approve	27%	40%	42%	39%	51%	35%	43%	15%	34%
Disapprove	70	57	58	58	47	62	54	85	64
DK/NA	3	3	-	2	2	3	3	-	2

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way President Trump talks about the media?

	App	Dis	DK/NA
Oct 12, 2017	39	59	2
Aug 23, 2017	35	62	3
Aug 16, 2017	38	59	3
May 25, 2017	35	62	3
May 10, 2017	31	65	3
Mar 07, 2017	37	60	3
Feb 22, 2017	35	61	4

33. Who do you trust more to tell you the truth about important issues: President Trump or the news media?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Trump	37%	78%	3%	34%	43%	32%	36%	52%
News media	52	12	89	52	44	59	53	38
DK/NA	11	10	8	13	13	8	11	9

  

	AGE IN 18-34	YRS..... 35-49	50-64	65+	WHITE.....		Wht	Blk	Hsp
					Men	Wom			
Trump	20%	39%	41%	41%	48%	40%	44%	6%	22%
News media	61	51	50	52	40	52	46	85	61
DK/NA	19	10	9	7	12	8	10	8	18

TREND: Who do you trust more to tell you the truth about important issues: President Trump or the news media?

	Trump	News Media	DK/NA
Oct 12, 2017	37	52	11
Aug 23, 2017	36	54	10
Aug 16, 2017	37	55	9
May 25, 2017	34	53	13
May 10, 2017	31	57	12
Mar 07, 2017	37	53	10
Feb 22, 2017	37	52	10

34. Do you support or oppose the nuclear deal with Iran?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG				
							Yes	No			
Support	31%	15%	47%	33%	33%	29%	41%	24%			
Oppose	47	65	32	45	49	44	42	50			
DK/NA	22	20	21	23	17	26	17	27			
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....						
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp		
Support	28%	28%	31%	38%	32%	32%	32%	28%	30%		
Oppose	43	49	52	40	51	41	46	47	50		
DK/NA	30	22	17	22	17	27	22	24	20		

TREND: Do you support or oppose the nuclear deal with Iran?

	Sup	Opp	DK/NA
Oct 12, 2017	31	47	22
Sep 28, 2015	26	58	16
Aug 31, 2015	25	55	20
Aug 03, 2015	28	57	15

35. Do you think that the NRA, or National Rifle Association, supports policies that are good for the U.S. or supports policies that are bad for the U.S.?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG				
							Yes	No			
Good	43%	83%	9%	40%	52%	34%	41%	58%			
Bad	47	10	80	49	39	55	52	32			
DK/NA	10	7	11	11	9	11	7	10			
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....						
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp		
Good	36%	45%	45%	42%	56%	42%	49%	14%	34%		
Bad	53	46	47	47	36	49	42	72	50		
DK/NA	11	9	8	11	8	9	8	14	16		

36. Do you support or oppose reducing taxes across the board?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG				
							Yes	No			
Support	62%	84%	43%	60%	69%	56%	56%	71%			
Oppose	31	11	51	32	27	35	39	22			
DK/NA	7	5	7	8	5	10	5	7			
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....						
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp		
Support	52%	66%	66%	60%	70%	57%	64%	55%	52%		
Oppose	39	30	28	32	26	35	30	42	31		
DK/NA	9	5	6	8	3	9	6	3	17		

TREND: Do you support or oppose reducing taxes across the board?

	Sup	Opp	DK/NA
Oct 12, 2017	62	31	7
Apr 05, 2017	58	34	7
Mar 08, 2017	58	37	5

36a. Do you support or oppose reducing taxes across the board? COMBINED WITH: (If support q36) If the tax reductions caused an increase in the deficit, would you still support reducing taxes across the board, or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG		
							Yes	No	
Support even if incr deficit	33%	52%	16%	31%	38%	28%	26%	42%	
Support only if NOT incr deficit	24	26	23	24	27	21	26	23	
Oppose	31	11	51	32	27	35	39	22	
DK/NA	12	12	11	13	8	16	9	14	
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....				
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Support even if incr deficit	23%	32%	34%	35%	40%	28%	34%	29%	19%
Support only if NOT incr deficit	24	28	27	20	27	21	24	23	30
Oppose	39	30	28	32	26	35	30	42	31
DK/NA	14	10	11	13	7	16	12	6	20

TREND: Do you support or oppose reducing taxes across the board? (If support) If the tax reductions caused an increase in the deficit, would you still support reducing taxes across the board, or not?

	Sup EvenIf Incr	Sup Onlyif NotIncr Oppose	DK/NA
Oct 12, 2017	33	24	31
Apr 05, 2017	27	27	34
Mar 08, 2017	29	26	37

36b. Do you support or oppose reducing taxes across the board? COMBINED WITH: (If support q36) If the tax reductions benefitted the wealthy the most, would you still support reducing taxes across the board, or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Support even if benf wlthy most	21%	41%	4%	20%	26%	16%	23%	26%
Support only if NOT benf wlthy most	38	38	39	37	39	36	31	42
Oppose	31	11	51	32	27	35	39	22
DK/NA	10	10	7	11	8	12	7	11

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		COLLEGE DEG		
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Support even if benf wlthy most	14%	22%	24%	21%	29%	19%	24%	8%	14%
Support only if NOT benf wlthy most	38	40	39	36	39	35	37	47	35
Oppose	39	30	28	32	26	35	30	42	31
DK/NA	9	8	9	11	6	11	9	3	19

38. Do you think that President Trump and his administration have done enough to help Texas in the wake of hurricane Harvey, or do you think they haven't done enough?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Have done enough	57%	78%	38%	58%	61%	53%	63%	62%
Haven't done enough	27	11	44	23	24	29	20	21
DK/NA	16	11	18	19	15	18	18	17

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		COLLEGE DEG		
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Have done enough	35%	60%	63%	63%	67%	58%	62%	40%	39%
Haven't done enough	47	26	22	19	19	22	21	48	46
DK/NA	17	14	15	18	14	20	17	13	15

39. Do you think that President Trump and his administration have done enough to help Florida in the wake of hurricane Irma, or do you think they haven't done enough?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Have done enough	57%	76%	40%	57%	60%	54%	62%	62%
Haven't done enough	26	11	43	23	23	29	20	22
DK/NA	17	13	17	19	17	17	19	16

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		COLLEGE DEG		
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Have done enough	37%	60%	63%	63%	65%	59%	62%	40%	42%
Haven't done enough	45	27	21	18	19	22	21	48	44
DK/NA	18	13	16	19	16	19	17	12	13

40. Do you think that President Trump and his administration have done enough to help Puerto Rico in the wake of hurricane Maria, or do you think they haven't done enough?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG			
							Yes	No		
Have done enough	36%	68%	6%	35%	42%	30%	36%	48%		
Haven't done enough	55	20	89	55	48	63	54	43		
DK/NA	9	12	5	9	10	8	10	9		
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....					
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Have done enough	15%	39%	41%	40%	47%	37%	42%	12%	17%	
Haven't done enough	74	53	52	50	43	54	48	84	76	
DK/NA	11	8	6	10	10	9	9	4	7	

41. Do you think that President Trump cares about the problems facing Puerto Rico after hurricane Maria, or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG			
							Yes	No		
Yes/Cares	43%	83%	11%	39%	49%	37%	45%	57%		
No	52	14	85	55	45	59	51	38		
DK/NA	5	4	4	5	5	4	4	5		
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....					
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Yes/Cares	22%	44%	50%	48%	56%	46%	51%	14%	23%	
No	70	53	48	47	40	50	45	85	72	
DK/NA	8	4	2	5	4	5	4	2	5	

42. Do you approve or disapprove of President Trump's response to the mass shooting in Las Vegas?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG			
							Yes	No		
Approve	50%	80%	24%	51%	57%	44%	50%	59%		
Disapprove	34	6	61	32	26	41	34	24		
DK/NA	16	14	14	17	17	15	16	17		
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....					
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Approve	30%	51%	56%	58%	61%	49%	55%	36%	36%	
Disapprove	49	33	32	26	24	34	29	54	45	
DK/NA	21	15	12	16	16	17	16	10	18	



43. Do you have confidence in President Trump to handle the situation with North Korea or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE.....			
							Yes	No		
Yes/Confidence	40%	83%	5%	37%	49%	32%	38%	55%		
No	57	15	93	60	48	65	59	43		
DK/NA	2	2	2	3	2	2	3	2		

  

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....				
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Yes/Confidence	25%	43%	45%	42%	54%	39%	47%	13%	27%
No	71	56	53	55	44	59	51	85	72
DK/NA	3	1	2	3	2	3	2	2	1

TREND: Do you have confidence in President Trump to handle the situation with North Korea or not?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
Oct 12, 2017	40	57	2
Sep 28, 2017	41	56	2
Aug 24, 2017	42	54	4
Aug 16, 2017	42	56	3

44. Do you think the United States will be able to resolve the situation with North Korea diplomatically or will the United States need to use military force to resolve the situation with North Korea?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE.....			
							Yes	No		
Diplomatically	54%	41%	64%	58%	53%	56%	61%	50%		
Military force	29	42	20	27	33	25	24	32		
DK/NA	17	17	16	15	14	19	15	18		

  

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....				
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Diplomatically	53%	56%	51%	60%	53%	58%	56%	50%	59%
Military force	32	33	32	20	32	23	28	37	28
DK/NA	15	11	17	20	14	19	16	13	13

TREND: Do you think the United States will be able to resolve the situation with North Korea diplomatically or will the United States need to use military force to resolve the situation with North Korea?

	Diplom- atic	Miltry Force	DK/NA
Oct 12, 2017	54	29	17
Sep 28, 2017	50	35	15
Aug 24, 2017	64	26	11
Aug 16, 2017	60	30	10

45. Do you think it is more important to avoid war with North Korea, or do you think it is more important to take away North Korea's nuclear weapons?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Avoid war	52%	29%	69%	57%	46%	57%	54%	43%
Take away weapons	41	63	24	37	48	34	38	48
DK/NA	7	7	7	6	6	9	8	9

  

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	Blk	Hsp
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom			
Avoid war	66%	55%	45%	47%	44%	53%	48%	65%	62%
Take away weapons	27	41	49	41	50	36	43	35	35
DK/NA	7	4	6	12	7	11	9	1	4

TREND: Do you think it is more important to: avoid war with North Korea, or do you think it is more important to take away North Korea's nuclear weapons?

	Avoid War	TakeAway Weapns	DK/NA
Oct 12, 2017	52	41	7
Sep 28, 2017	52	43	5
Aug 24, 2017	54	39	6

46. Do you have confidence in the top national security and diplomatic officials to handle the situation with North Korea, or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Yes/Confidence	65%	87%	45%	65%	69%	61%	66%	73%
No	28	10	44	28	25	30	27	20
DK/NA	7	3	11	7	6	9	7	8

  

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	Blk	Hsp
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom			
Yes/Confidence	59%	66%	69%	65%	73%	66%	69%	54%	54%
No	34	26	26	26	22	24	23	42	39
DK/NA	7	8	5	9	5	10	7	4	8

47. Do you think that the U.S. should negotiate with North Korea, or do you think it is a waste of time?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Negotiate	65%	50%	75%	68%	63%	66%	71%	57%
Waste of time	30	46	17	27	34	26	25	36
DK/NA	6	4	7	4	3	8	3	7

  

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	Blk	Hsp
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom			
Negotiate	68%	62%	63%	69%	61%	67%	64%	72%	64%
Waste of time	22	35	33	26	35	26	30	20	31
DK/NA	10	4	5	5	3	7	5	8	6

48. Would you support or oppose a preemptive strike on North Korea?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG			
							Yes	No		
Support	26%	46%	16%	20%	28%	24%	22%	33%		
Oppose	62	41	77	67	63	62	68	54		
DK/NA	11	12	7	13	8	14	10	12		
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....					
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Support	17%	26%	34%	25%	30%	25%	28%	21%	25%	
Oppose	75	63	56	59	63	60	62	71	60	
DK/NA	8	11	9	15	7	14	11	8	16	

49. Do you believe that President Trump and the Republicans in Congress will be able to pass any significant legislation by the end of 2017, or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG			
							Yes	No		
Yes/Pass legislation	29%	52%	14%	25%	30%	28%	29%	35%		
No	64	40	81	69	63	65	66	57		
DK/NA	7	8	5	6	6	7	5	9		
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....					
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Yes/Pass legislation	34%	26%	29%	27%	33%	30%	32%	19%	30%	
No	59	69	66	63	61	62	62	76	66	
DK/NA	7	4	5	10	6	8	7	5	4	

TREND: Do you believe that President Trump and the Republicans in Congress will be able to pass any significant legislation by the end of 2017, or not?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
Oct 12, 2017	29	64	7
Aug 17, 2017	38	58	4
Jun 08, 2017	44	50	6

51. Do you support or oppose stricter gun laws in the United States?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE.....				
							Yes	No			
Support	60%	34%	85%	62%	52%	68%	65%	49%			
Oppose	36	63	13	35	45	28	33	47			
DK/NA	3	3	2	4	3	3	2	4			
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....						
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp		
Support	64%	54%	63%	64%	49%	65%	57%	78%	72%		
Oppose	33	44	35	32	49	31	40	21	24		
DK/NA	4	2	2	4	2	4	3	1	4		
	REGION.....				DENSITY.....			Gun			
	NEast	MWest	South	West	City	Suburb	Rural	Hshld			
Support	72%	61%	58%	52%	65%	68%	44%	46%			
Oppose	26	36	39	43	32	29	53	51			
DK/NA	3	3	2	5	3	3	3	4			

TREND: Do you support or oppose stricter gun laws in the United States?

	Sup	Opp	DK/NA
Oct 12, 2017	60	36	3
Jun 28, 2017	54	42	4

Link to full trend on website

52. Do you support or oppose requiring background checks for all gun buyers?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE.....				
							Yes	No			
Support	94%	93%	97%	94%	92%	96%	95%	95%			
Oppose	5	6	2	5	7	3	4	4			
DK/NA	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1			
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....						
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp		
Support	93%	94%	94%	96%	93%	96%	95%	96%	91%		
Oppose	6	5	4	3	6	3	4	4	6		
DK/NA	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	-	3		
	REGION.....				DENSITY.....			Gun			
	NEast	MWest	South	West	City	Suburb	Rural	Hshld			
Support	95%	91%	95%	94%	95%	95%	93%	93%			
Oppose	5	6	4	5	4	4	6	6			
DK/NA	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1			

TREND: Do you support or oppose requiring background checks for all gun buyers?

	Sup	Opp	DK/NA
Oct 12, 2017	94	5	1
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53. Do you believe that expanding background checks would be effective in reducing gun violence in the U.S., or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG				
							Yes	No			
Yes	58%	40%	77%	58%	51%	64%	58%	53%			
No	37	55	19	38	46	29	37	41			
DK/NA	5	6	4	4	3	6	5	6			
AGE IN YRS.....											
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	WHITE.....						
					Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp		
Yes	73%	52%	53%	58%	50%	61%	56%	70%	62%		
No	24	46	41	36	47	31	39	29	32		
DK/NA	3	2	6	7	3	7	5	1	7		
REGION.....											
	NEast	MWest	South	West	DENSITY.....		Gun				
					City	Suburb	Rural	Hshld			
Yes	64%	53%	58%	57%	63%	61%	46%	47%			
No	31	42	38	38	32	35	50	49			
DK/NA	4	5	4	5	5	4	4	4			

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54. Do you support or oppose a nationwide ban on the sale of assault weapons?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG				
							Yes	No			
Support	64%	46%	86%	62%	50%	76%	66%	56%			
Oppose	32	49	12	33	46	19	31	38			
DK/NA	4	5	2	5	4	5	3	5			
AGE IN YRS.....											
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	WHITE.....						
					Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp		
Support	57%	53%	70%	73%	48%	74%	61%	86%	61%		
Oppose	41	42	26	21	48	21	35	14	36		
DK/NA	2	4	3	5	4	5	4	-	3		
REGION.....											
	NEast	MWest	South	West	DENSITY.....		Gun				
					City	Suburb	Rural	Hshld			
Support	71%	63%	65%	56%	66%	69%	55%	49%			
Oppose	26	34	30	39	30	28	40	47			
DK/NA	2	3	5	5	4	3	5	4			

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55. Do you believe that a nationwide ban on the sale of assault weapons would be effective in reducing gun violence in the U.S., or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Yes	49%	25%	75%	48%	38%	60%	51%	41%
No	48	70	21	49	60	36	46	55
DK/NA	3	4	3	3	3	4	3	4

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	Blk	Hsp
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom			
Yes	51%	45%	48%	55%	36%	57%	46%	67%	55%
No	48	52	48	39	61	39	50	32	39
DK/NA	1	3	4	6	3	4	3	1	6

	REGION.....				DENSITY.....			Gun
	NEast	MWest	South	West	City	Suburb	Rural	HsHld
Yes	57%	49%	50%	40%	51%	55%	38%	34%
No	40	48	46	57	45	42	59	63
DK/NA	3	4	4	3	4	3	3	3

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56. Do you support or oppose a nationwide ban on the sale of guns to people who have been convicted of violent crimes?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Support	86%	87%	87%	87%	85%	88%	91%	86%
Oppose	12	12	12	11	13	12	8	13
DK/NA	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	1

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	Blk	Hsp
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom			
Support	83%	87%	88%	88%	88%	89%	88%	79%	85%
Oppose	17	12	10	11	11	11	11	21	14
DK/NA	-	1	2	1	1	1	1	-	1

	REGION.....				DENSITY.....			Gun
	NEast	MWest	South	West	City	Suburb	Rural	HsHld
Support	89%	83%	88%	85%	86%	89%	86%	88%
Oppose	10	15	11	13	13	10	13	11
DK/NA	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	1

57. Do you believe that a nationwide ban on the sale of guns to people who have been convicted of violent crimes would be effective in reducing gun violence in the U.S., or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG			
							Yes	No		
Yes	67%	58%	79%	65%	65%	69%	71%	65%		
No	29	40	16	31	32	26	25	33		
DK/NA	4	2	5	5	4	4	4	2		
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....					
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Yes	73%	63%	65%	70%	66%	70%	68%	68%	63%	
No	24	32	32	27	31	27	29	29	27	
DK/NA	3	4	3	4	3	4	3	3	10	
	REGION.....				DENSITY.....			Gun		
	NEast	MWest	South	West	City	Suburb	Rural	HsHld		
Yes	72%	64%	65%	71%	68%	72%	60%	61%		
No	25	32	32	25	26	25	38	37		
DK/NA	4	5	4	4	5	3	2	3		

58. Do you support or oppose stricter regulations on ammunition sales?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG			
							Yes	No		
Support	58%	36%	81%	58%	49%	67%	61%	45%		
Oppose	38	61	14	38	48	28	36	49		
DK/NA	4	3	4	4	3	4	3	6		
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....					
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Support	61%	54%	61%	60%	44%	63%	53%	80%	75%	
Oppose	34	43	38	33	52	32	42	19	23	
DK/NA	5	3	2	7	4	5	4	1	2	
	REGION.....				DENSITY.....			Gun		
	NEast	MWest	South	West	City	Suburb	Rural	HsHld		
Support	73%	53%	58%	51%	64%	67%	40%	40%		
Oppose	24	41	39	46	32	30	56	56		
DK/NA	3	6	3	3	4	3	4	4		

59. Do you support or oppose imposing a federal mandatory waiting period on all gun purchases, so that everyone who purchases a gun must wait a certain number of days before taking the gun home?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG			
							Yes	No		
Support	79%	71%	94%	76%	73%	86%	81%	78%		
Oppose	19	28	5	22	26	12	18	21		
DK/NA	2	1	1	2	1	2	2	1		
AGE IN YRS.....										
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	WHITE.....					
					Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Support	70%	78%	85%	85%	72%	87%	79%	85%	83%	
Oppose	27	22	14	13	27	12	19	15	14	
DK/NA	3	-	1	2	1	2	1	-	3	
REGION.....										
	NEast	MWest	South	West	DENSITY.....		Gun			
					City	Suburb	Rural	HsHld		
Support	86%	76%	77%	80%	82%	83%	73%	72%		
Oppose	13	22	21	18	17	15	26	27		
DK/NA	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2		

60. Do you support or oppose a nationwide ban on the sale of high-capacity ammunition magazines that hold more than 10 bullets?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG			
							Yes	No		
Support	64%	44%	83%	64%	56%	71%	67%	58%		
Oppose	34	52	15	33	42	25	31	38		
DK/NA	3	4	2	2	2	4	2	4		
AGE IN YRS.....										
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	WHITE.....					
					Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Support	56%	60%	66%	74%	55%	71%	63%	74%	64%	
Oppose	42	39	32	21	43	25	34	26	35	
DK/NA	2	-	2	4	2	4	3	1	1	
REGION.....										
	NEast	MWest	South	West	DENSITY.....		Gun			
					City	Suburb	Rural	HsHld		
Support	73%	64%	63%	56%	65%	68%	56%	52%		
Oppose	24	34	35	40	32	28	42	45		
DK/NA	3	2	2	4	2	3	2	3		

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61. Do you support or oppose a ban on gun modifications that can make a semi-automatic gun work more like an automatic gun?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Support	73%	62%	82%	76%	71%	75%	78%	70%
Oppose	25	34	17	23	27	22	20	27
DK/NA	3	4	1	2	2	3	2	3

  

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	Blk	Hsp
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom			
Support	68%	70%	75%	77%	71%	76%	74%	74%	71%
Oppose	29	29	23	19	27	20	23	25	28
DK/NA	3	1	2	4	2	4	3	1	1

  

	REGION.....				DENSITY.....			Gun
	NEast	MWest	South	West	City	Suburb	Rural	HsHld
Support	80%	71%	72%	69%	73%	75%	71%	67%
Oppose	19	24	26	28	25	23	26	29
DK/NA	1	5	2	3	2	2	3	3

62. Do you think it is too easy to buy a gun in the U.S. today, too difficult to buy a gun in the U.S. today, or about right?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Too easy	59%	33%	83%	60%	49%	68%	59%	50%
Too difficult	3	6	2	3	5	2	3	3
About right	33	56	12	33	42	25	34	42
DK/NA	4	5	4	4	4	5	4	4

  

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	Blk	Hsp
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom			
Too easy	63%	53%	61%	62%	46%	64%	55%	76%	73%
Too difficult	4	5	2	2	4	2	3	3	5
About right	30	38	33	31	46	29	38	18	18
DK/NA	3	4	4	5	4	5	4	4	4

  

	REGION.....				DENSITY.....			Gun
	NEast	MWest	South	West	City	Suburb	Rural	HsHld
Too easy	64%	56%	61%	53%	65%	61%	47%	44%
Too difficult	2	4	2	6	4	1	4	3
About right	28	36	33	35	27	32	45	50
DK/NA	6	4	3	5	4	6	3	3

TREND: Do you think it is too easy to buy a gun in the U.S. today, too difficult to buy a gun in the U.S. today, or about right?

	Too Easy	Too Diff	About Right	DK/NA
Oct 12, 2017	59	3	33	4
Jun 28, 2017	57	6	32	5

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63. Do you think any new gun laws will interfere with the right to own guns, or do you think it's possible to make new gun laws without interfering with gun rights?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE.....			
							Yes	No		
Will interfere	27%	37%	17%	25%	32%	22%	23%	31%		
Won't interfere	63	51	75	65	59	67	68	57		
NO RIGHT TO OWN (VOL)	1	-	-	1	1	1	-	1		
DK/NA	10	12	8	9	9	10	8	12		
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....					
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Will interfere	28%	29%	27%	22%	32%	22%	27%	24%	27%	
Won't interfere	65	64	65	60	59	66	63	68	64	
NO RIGHT TO OWN (VOL)	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	1	
DK/NA	6	6	7	17	9	11	10	6	8	
	REGION.....				DENSITY.....			Gun		
	NEast	MWest	South	West	City	Suburb	Rural	HsHld		
Will interfere	20%	29%	26%	32%	27%	20%	35%	33%		
Won't interfere	71	61	63	58	64	71	53	57		
NO RIGHT TO OWN (VOL)	-	-	1	1	1	1	-	-		
DK/NA	9	10	10	9	8	8	11	10		

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64. If more people carried guns, do you think the United States would be safer or less safe?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE.....			
							Yes	No		
Safer	35%	65%	7%	32%	45%	26%	31%	47%		
Less safe	56	22	88	57	46	65	61	42		
DK/NA	9	12	5	10	10	9	7	10		
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....					
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Safer	24%	41%	35%	34%	47%	31%	39%	13%	29%	
Less safe	61	50	58	57	44	60	52	83	56	
DK/NA	15	8	7	9	8	10	9	4	15	
	REGION.....				DENSITY.....			Gun		
	NEast	MWest	South	West	City	Suburb	Rural	HsHld		
Safer	28%	38%	38%	34%	27%	32%	50%	53%		
Less safe	64	54	54	53	63	59	40	35		
DK/NA	8	8	9	14	9	9	10	11		

TREND: If more people carried guns, do you think the United States would be safer or less safe?

	Safer	Less Safe	DK/NA
Oct 12, 2017	35	56	9
Jun 28, 2017	35	57	8

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65. Do you think Congress is doing enough to reduce gun violence or do you think Congress needs to do more to reduce gun violence?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG				
							Yes	No			
Doing enough	24%	49%	6%	19%	30%	19%	23%	32%			
Do more	68	39	90	73	63	72	71	57			
DK/NA	8	13	4	8	8	9	7	11			
AGE IN YRS.....											
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	WHITE.....						
					Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp		
Doing enough	21%	27%	26%	19%	32%	22%	27%	13%	11%		
Do more	76	64	68	69	60	68	64	84	84		
DK/NA	3	10	7	13	8	9	9	3	5		
REGION.....											
	NEast	MWest	South	West	DENSITY.....		Gun				
					City	Suburb	Rural	HsHld			
Doing enough	21%	26%	21%	31%	19%	21%	36%	35%			
Do more	73	67	69	60	74	73	52	56			
DK/NA	6	7	9	9	7	6	12	9			

66. Is being the victim of gun violence something you personally worry about or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG				
							Yes	No			
Yes/Worry	37%	27%	50%	35%	31%	43%	33%	31%			
No	62	73	49	65	68	57	66	69			
DK/NA	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-			
AGE IN YRS.....											
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	WHITE.....						
					Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp		
Yes/Worry	41%	38%	39%	32%	28%	36%	32%	58%	47%		
No	58	61	61	68	71	64	68	41	53		
DK/NA	1	1	-	1	1	-	1	1	-		
REGION.....											
	NEast	MWest	South	West	DENSITY.....		Gun				
					City	Suburb	Rural	HsHld			
Yes/Worry	38%	41%	37%	32%	42%	38%	29%	29%			
No	62	59	62	67	57	62	71	71			
DK/NA	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	-			