

## RELIGION, VALUES & IMMIGRATION REFORM SURVEY 2013 N=4,465 (2,691 Landline, 1,774 Cell phone) January 28 – February 24

- Q.1 All in all, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way things are going in this country today?
  - 31 Satisfied
  - 58 Dissatisfied
  - 7 Mixed (VOL.)
  - <u>4</u> Don't know/refused (VOL.)
  - 100 Total
- Q.2 Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President?
  - 51 Approve
  - 39 Disapprove
  - 6 Mixed/Approve and disapprove (VOL.)
  - 4 Don't know/refused (VOL.)
  - 100 Total
- Q.3 I'd like to ask you about priorities for President (Barack) Obama and Congress this year. As I read from a list, please tell me if you think each should be the highest priority, high but not the highest, or a lower priority. Should [INSERT; RANDOMIZE] be the highest priority, high but not the highest, or a lower priority? What about... [INSERT]?
- a. Reforming the nation's immigration system
  - 24 Highest priority
  - 47 High but not highest
  - 27 Lower priority
  - 2 Don't know/refused (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

#### **ASK FORM 1 ONLY (N=2,249):**

- b. Improving the job situation
  - Highest priority
  - 31 High but not highest
  - 3 Lower priority
  - 1 Don't know/refused (VOL.)
  - 100 Total
- c. Enacting stricter gun control laws
  - Highest priority
  - High but not highest
  - 43 Lower priority
  - <u>2</u> Don't know/refused (VOL.)
  - 100 Total
- d. Dealing with the moral breakdown of the country
  - 32 Highest priority
  - 35 High but not highest
  - 28 Lower priority
  - <u>5</u> Don't know/refused (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

#### **ASK FORM 2 ONLY (N=2,216):**

- e. Reducing the budget deficit
  - Highest priority
  - High but not highest
  - 9 Lower priority
  - <u>3</u> Don't know/refused (VOL.)
  - 100 Total
- f. Changing the federal income tax system to make it more fair
  - Highest priority
  - 44 High but not highest
  - 16 Lower priority
  - 3 Don't know/refused (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

- g. Enacting legislation to address climate change
  - Highest priority
  - 31 High but not highest
  - 51 Lower priority
  - 3 Don't know/refused (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

#### **ASK ALL:**

- Q.4 Now, we would like to get your views on some issues that are being discussed in the country today. All in all, do you strongly favor, favor, oppose or strongly oppose [INSERT; RANDOMIZE]? What about [INSERT NEXT]?
- a. Allowing gay and lesbian couples to marry legally
  - 25 Strongly favor
  - 27 Favor
  - 19 Oppose
  - 23 Strongly oppose
  - 7 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
  - 100 Total
- b. Allowing illegal immigrants brought to the U.S. as children to gain legal resident status if they join the military or go to college
  - 21 Strongly favor
  - 40 Favor
  - 21 Oppose
  - 13 Strongly oppose
  - 4 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
  - 100 Total
- c. Tougher laws and regulations to protect the environment even if it raises prices or costs jobs
  - 18 Strongly favor
  - 38 Favor
  - 27 Oppose
  - 13 Strongly oppose
  - 4 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

Q.5	Do you think abortion should be [RANDOMIZE LIST ORDER 1-4; 4-1]
23 33 24 14 <u>5</u> 100	Legal in all cases Legal in most cases Illegal in most cases Illegal in all cases Don't know/Refused (VOL.) Total
Q.6	Now I'm going to read you a few pairs of statements. For each pair, tell me whether the FIRST statement or the SECOND statement comes closer to your own views — even if neither is exactly right. The first pair is <b>(READ AND ROTATE ITEMS)</b>
a.	
40	The growing number of newcomers from other countries threatens traditional American customs and values.
54	The growing number of newcomers from other countries strengthens American society.
3	Neither/Both equally <b>(VOL)</b>
$\frac{3}{100}$	DK/REF <b>(VOL)</b> Total
b.	
37	The federal government should provide more services, even if it means higher taxes
58	The federal government should provide fewer services and reduce taxes
3 <u>3</u>	Neither/Both equally <b>(VOL)</b> DK/REF <b>(VOL)</b>
$1\overline{0}$	Total
Q.7	Since the 1950s, do you think American culture and way of life has mostly changed for the better, or has it mostly changed for the worse?
40	Mostly changed for the better
54	Mostly changed for the worse
3	Both/Neither (VOL.)
$\frac{3}{100}$	Don't know (VOL.) Total

Q.8 Thinking about some different groups currently living in the U.S., please say whether any of the following groups are changing American culture and way of life for the better, changing it for the worse, or whether they are not having any real impact on American culture and way of life. First... [INSERT; RANDOMIZE]. What about... [INSERT]?

**REPEAT AS NECESSARY:** Would you say that, in general, **[INSERT]** are changing American culture and way of life for the better, changing it for the worse, or are they not having any real impact on American culture and way of life?

## a. Immigrants

- 38 Changing for the better
- 28 Changing for the worse
- No impact
- 4 Mixed impact/Depends (VOL.)
- 4 Don't know (VOL.)
- 100 Total

#### **ASK FORM 1 ONLY (N=2,249):**

#### b. Young people

- 43 Changing for the better
- 30 Changing for the worse
- No impact
- 3 Mixed impact/Depends (VOL.)
- <u>3</u> Don't know (VOL.)
- 100 Total

#### c. The Tea Party

- 24 Changing for the better
- 30 Changing for the worse
- 30 No impact
- 1 Mixed impact/Depends (VOL.)
- 15 Don't know (VOL.)
- 100 Total

## d. Non-religious people

- 16 Changing for the better
- 31 Changing for the worse
- 48 No impact
- 1 Mixed impact/Depends (VOL.)
- 4 Don't know (VOL.)
- 100 Total

#### e. Asians

- 40 Changing for the better
- 9 Changing for the worse
- 43 No impact
- 1 Mixed impact/Depends (VOL.)
- 7 Don't know (VOL.)
- 100 Total

#### **ASK FORM 2 ONLY (N=2,216):**

#### f. Muslims

- 18 Changing for the better
- 27 Changing for the worse
- 44 No impact
- 2 Mixed impact/Depends (VOL.)
- 8 Don't know (VOL.)
- 100 Total

#### g. Atheists, that is people who do not believe in God

- 10 Changing for the better
- 39 Changing for the worse
- 46 No impact
- 1 Mixed impact/Depends (VOL.)
- 4 Don't know (VOL.)
- 100 Total

#### h. Gay and lesbian people

- 24 Changing for the better
- 29 Changing for the worse
- 42 No impact
- 1 Mixed impact/Depends (VOL.)
- 4 Don't know (VOL.)
- 100 Total

## i. Hispanics

- 39 Changing for the better
- 20 Changing for the worse
- No impact
- 3 Mixed impact/Depends (VOL.)
- 4 Don't know (VOL.)
- 100 Total

#### **ASK ALL:**

Thinking about your own community and the place where you live...

- Q.9 Do you live in a community with many new immigrants, some new immigrants, only a few new immigrants, or almost no new immigrants?
  - Many new immigrants
  - 23 Some new immigrants
  - 23 Only a few new immigrants
  - 27 Almost no new immigrants
  - 3 Don't know (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

Turning to another subject...

Q.10 Do you think the current immigration system in the United States is **[READ IN ORDER]** 

**[IF DK OR DEPENDS PROBE ONCE WITH**: Just your general impression, do you think the current immigration system is...]

- 7 Generally working
- Working but with some major problems
- 40 Broken but working in some areas
- 23 Completely Broken
- 2 Don't know (VOL.)
- 100 Total

- Q.11 Which statement comes closest to your view about how the immigration system should deal with immigrants who are currently living in the U.S. illegally? The immigration system should... (FORM 1 READ 1-3 IN ORDER, FORM 2 READ 1-3 REVERSE ORDER)
  - Allow them a way to become citizens provided they meet certain requirements
  - 14 Allow them to become permanent legal residents, but not citizens
  - 21 Identify and deport them
  - 1 None of these (VOL.)
  - 1 Don't know/refused (VOL.)
  - 100 Total
- Q.12 As I read a pair of statements, please tell me whether the FIRST statement or the SECOND statement comes closer to your own views even if neither is exactly right. [READ; ROTATE OPTIONS].
  - The best way to solve the country's illegal immigration problem is to secure our borders and arrest and deport all those who are here illegally

    The best way to solve the country's illegal immigration problem is to both
  - secure our borders and provide an earned path to citizenship for illegal immigrants already in the U.S.
  - 2 Neither/Both equally **(VOL)**
  - $\underline{1}$  DK/REF **(VOL)**
  - 100 Total

Congress is currently debating immigration reform...

- Q.13 The legislation includes many different policies. Please say whether you favor or oppose the following policies. First, do you favor or oppose [INSERT; RANDOMIZE]? What about [INSERT; NEXT]?
- a. Creating a database that would allow employers to verify the immigration status of new hires
  - 81 Favor
  - 17 Oppose
  - 2 Don't know (VOL.)
  - 100 Total
- b. Allowing immigrants who get degrees from U.S. colleges or universities in math, science or technology to work legally in the U.S.
  - 75 Favor
  - 22 Oppose
  - 3 Don't know (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

- c. Expanding 'guest worker' programs that would give a temporary visa to non-citizens who want to work legally in the United States
  - 72 Favor
  - 26 Oppose
  - 2 Don't know (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

#### **ASK FORM 1 ONLY (N=2,249):**

- Q.14 Do you think immigrants coming to this country today mostly take jobs away from American citizens, or do they mostly take jobs Americans don't want? **IF BOTH ASK**: Well, which do most of them do?
  - Take jobs away
  - Take unwanted jobs
  - 4 Both (VOL.)
  - 5 Don't know (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

#### **ASK FORM 2 ONLY (N=2,216):**

- Q.15 Do you think illegal immigrants mostly help the economy by providing low cost labor, or mostly hurt the economy by driving down wages for many Americans?
  - 36 Provide low-cost labor
  - 56 Drive down wages
  - 2 Both (VOL.)
  - 2 Neither (VOL.)
  - 4 Don't know (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

#### ASK ALL:

- Q.16 Thinking about the different types of immigrants seeking legal status in the U.S. Do you think the immigration system should give preferences to immigrants who... **INSERT; RANDOMIZE],** even if it means less space for others? What about immigrants who... **[INSERT; NEXT]?**
- a. Can speak English fluently
  - 48 Yes, should give preference
  - 47 No should not give preference
  - 1 Depends (VOL.)
  - 3 Don't know (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

- b. Have children or parents currently living in the U.S. legally
  - Yes, should give preference
  - No should not give preference
  - 1 Depends (VOL.)
  - 3 Don't know (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

#### **ASK FORM 1 ONLY (N=2,249):**

- c. Have a spouse currently living in the U.S. legally
  - Yes, should give preference
  - No should not give preference
  - 1 Depends (VOL.)
  - 2 Don't know (VOL.)
  - 100 Total
- d. Have a degree from an American college or University
  - Yes, should give preference
  - No should not give preference
  - 1 Depends (VOL.)
  - 3 Don't know (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

#### **ASK FORM 2 ONLY (N=2,216):**

- e. Have a gay or lesbian spouse currently living in the U.S. legally
  - 31 Yes, should give preference
  - No should not give preference
  - 1 Depends (VOL.)
  - 5 Don't know (VOL.)
  - 100 Total
- f. Are from Western Europe
  - Yes, should give preference
  - No should not give preference
  - 1 Depends (VOL.)
  - 5 Don't know (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

#### ASK ALL:

- Q.17 Over the last five or six years, do you think the number of illegal immigrants who were deported back to their home countries has increased, decreased or stayed about the same?
  - 28 Increased
  - 18 Decreased
  - 42 Stayed about the same
  - 12 Don't know (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

#### **ASK FORM 1 ONLY (N=2,249):**

- Q.18 How much, if at all, do you think immigrants today are changing your COMMUNITY and way of life? Would you say a lot, a little or not at all?
  - 32 A lot
  - 46 A little
  - Not at all
  - 1 Don't know (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

## IF A LOT OR A LITTLE [Q.18=1,2], ASK (N=1,732):

- Q.19 And all in all, do you think this is a good thing or a bad thing?
  - 54 Good thing
  - 37 Bad thing
  - 4 Depends (VOL.)
  - 4 Don't know (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

#### **ASK FORM 2 ONLY (N=2,216):**

- Q.20 How much, if at all, do you think that immigrants today are changing AMERICAN SOCIETY and way of life? Would you say a lot, a little or not at all?
  - 46 A lot
  - 45 A little
  - 8 Not at all
  - 1 Don't know (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

## IF A LOT OR A LITTLE [Q.20=1,2], ASK (N=2,031):

- Q.21 And all in all, do you think this is a good thing or a bad thing?
  - 50 Good thing
  - 41 Bad thing
  - 5 Depends (VOL.)
  - 4 Don't know (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

#### **NO Q.22**

#### **ASK ALL:**

Q.23 Now, as I read a few statements about issues being discussed in the country today, please tell me if you completely agree, mostly agree, mostly DISagree or completely disagree with each one. First... [INSERT; RANDOMIZE]. Next...

**READ FOR FIRST ITEM, THEN REPEAT AS NECESSARY**: Do you completely agree, mostly agree, mostly DISagree or completely disagree?

- a. The American way of life needs to be protected against foreign influence
  - 27 Completely agree
  - Mostly agree
  - 24 Mostly disagree
  - 21 Completely disagree
  - 2 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
  - 100 Total
- b. The idea of America where most people are not white bothers me
  - 5 Completely agree
  - 9 Mostly agree
  - 29 Mostly disagree
  - 55 Completely disagree
  - 3 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
  - 100 Total
- c. Immigrants today think of themselves as Americans just as much as immigrants from earlier eras did
  - 19 Completely agree
  - 40 Mostly agree
  - 23 Mostly disagree
  - 13 Completely disagree
  - 5 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

- d. The best way to solve the country's illegal immigration problem is to make conditions so difficult for illegal immigrants that they return to their home country on their own
  - 14 Completely agree
  - 20 Mostly agree
  - Mostly disagree
  - 36 Completely disagree
  - 2 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

#### **ASK FORM 1 ONLY (N=2,249):**

- e. The values of Islam are at odds with American values and way of life
  - 23 Completely agree
  - 24 Mostly agree
  - 25 Mostly disagree
  - 19 Completely disagree
  - 9 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

#### **ASK FORM 2 ONLY (N=2,216):**

- f. We should make a serious effort to deport all illegal immigrants back to their home countries.
  - 19 Completely agree
  - 24 Mostly agree
  - 30 Mostly disagree
  - 25 Completely disagree
  - 2 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

#### **ASK FORM 1 ONLY (N=2,249):**

- Q.24 Which political party, the Democrats or the Republicans, do you trust to do a better job handling the issue of illegal immigration?
  - 43 The Democratic Party
  - 30 The Republican Party
  - 1 Both (VOL.)
  - 19 Neither (VOL.)
  - 7 Don't know (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

#### **ASK FORM 2 ONLY (N=2,216):**

- Q.25 Which political party, the Democrats or the Republicans, do you trust to do a better job handling the issue of immigration?
  - 39 The Democratic Party
  - 29 The Republican Party
  - 1 Both (VOL.)
  - Neither (VOL.)
  - 8 Don't know (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

#### **ASK ALL:**

- Q.26 Do you think the Republican Party's position on immigration has helped or hurt the party in recent elections, or do you think it has not made a difference?
  - 7 Helped
  - 45 Hurt
  - 42 Not made a difference
  - 6 Don't know (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

#### ASK ALL:

Now a few different questions...

RELIG What is your present religion, if any? Are you Protestant, Roman Catholic, Mormon, Orthodox such as Greek or Russian Orthodox, Jewish, Muslim, Buddhist, Hindu, atheist, agnostic, something else, or nothing in particular?

**INTERVIEWER:** IF R VOLUNTEERS "nothing in particular, none, no religion, etc." **BEFORE REACHING END OF LIST, PROMPT WITH:** and would you say that's atheist, agnostic, or just nothing in particular?]

- Protestant (Baptist, Methodist, Non-denominational, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Pentecostal, Episcopalian, Reformed, Church of Christ, Jehovah's Witness, etc.)
- 21 Roman Catholic (Catholic)
- 2 Mormon (Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints/LDS)
- 1 Orthodox (Greek, Russian, or some other orthodox church)
- 2 Jewish (Judaism)
- 1 Muslim (Islam)
- \* Buddhist
- \* Hindu
- 3 Atheist (do not believe in God)
- 4 Agnostic (not sure if there is a God)
- 2 Something else [SPECIFY]
- Nothing in particular
- 9 Christian (VOL.)
- \* Unitarian (Universalist) (VOL.)
- 1 Don't Know/Refused (VOL.)
- 100 Total

#### IF NOTHING IN PARTICULAR (RELIG=12), ASK (N=562):

SECULAR In general would you describe yourself more as a religious person or as secular, that is someone who is NOT religious?

- 30 Religious
- 56 Secular, not religious
- 6 Spiritual, not religious (VOL.)
- \* OTHER [SPECIFY—VOL.]
- 7 Don't Know/Refused (VOL.)
- 100 Total

# IF ATHEIST, AGNOSTIC, NOTHING IN PARTICULAR OR DK (RELIG=9,10,12,99), ASK (N=897):

JEWID Do you consider yourself to be Jewish for any reason? [DO NOT READ]

- 3 Yes
- 91 No
- \* Half or part (VOL.)
- 6 Don't Know/Refused (VOL.)
- 100 Total

## IF SOMETHING ELSE OR DK/REF (RELIG = 11, 99) ASK (N=131):

CHR Do you think of yourself as a Christian or not?

## IF R NAMED A NON-CHRISTIAN RELIGION IN PREVIOUS QUESTION (e.g. Native American, Wiccan, Pagan, etc.), DO NOT READ (ENTER "NO" CODE 2)

- 49 Yes
- 39 No
- 12 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
- 100 Total

#### IF CHRISTIAN [RELIG=1-4, 13 OR CHR=1], ASK (N=3,411):

BORN Would you describe yourself as a "born-again" or evangelical Christian, or not?

- 45 Yes
- 51 No.
- 5 Don't Know/Refused (VOL.)
- 100 Total

#### ASK ALL:

ATTEND Aside from

Aside from weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services... more than once a week, once a week, once or twice a month, a few times a year, seldom, or never?

- 15 More than once a week
- 23 Once a week
- 14 Once or twice a month
- 18 A few times a year
- 17 Seldom
- 13 Never
- 1 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
- 100 Total

- Q.27 Which statement comes closest to your view of God: God is a person with whom people can have a relationship, God is an impersonal force, or I do not believe in God?
  - 63 God is a person
  - 25 God is an impersonal force
  - 7 I do not believe in God
  - 2 Both/Neither/Other (VOL.)
  - 3 Don't know/refused (VOL.)
  - 100 Total
- Q.28 Which comes closest to your view? [READ, IN ORDER]

[Holy book: If Christian or no religion (RELIG=1-4, 9, 10, 12, 13 OR CHR=1) insert "the Bible"; If Jewish (RELIG=5), insert "the Torah"; If Muslim (RELIG=6), insert, "the Koran"; If other non-Christian affiliations (RELIG=7,8,14 OR (RELIG=11 AND CHR=2,9)), insert "the Holy Scripture"; IF DK/REF IN RELIGION (RELIG=99) AND CHR=2,9, insert "the Bible"] IF BELIEVE HOLY BOOK IS WORD OF GOD (Q.28=1), ASK:

- Q.29 And would you say that [READ, IN ORDER]?
  - 65 **[Holy book]** is the word of God, OR
  - [Holy book] is to be taken literally, word for word, OR
  - 30 Not everything in **[Holy book**] should be taken literally, word for word.
  - 2 Other/Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
  - [Holy book] is a book written by men and is not the word of God.
  - 2 Other (VOL.)
  - 4 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

## IF ATTEND AT LEAST ONCE OR TWICE A MONTH [ATTEND<4], ASK (N=2,427):

- Q.30 Thinking about the place you attend religious services most often... How often, if at all, does your clergy leader speak out about the issue of immigration? [READ IN ORDER]
  - 6 Often
  - 16 Sometimes
  - 27 Rarely
  - 49 Never
  - 1 Don't know/refused **(VOL.)**
  - 100 Total

Q.31 Now, I'm going to read a list of values that some say are important MORAL guides for immigration reform. Please tell me whether you think each value is extremely important, very important, somewhat important, not too important or not at all important to you as a moral guide to immigration reform. The first value is... [INSERT; RANDOMIZE].

**REPEAT AS NECESSARY:** Is this value extremely important, very important, somewhat important, not too important or not at all important to you as a moral guide to immigration reform?

## **ASK FORM 1 ONLY (N=2,249):**

- a. Keeping families together
  - 41 Extremely important
  - 43 Very Important
  - 11 Somewhat important
  - 2 Not too important
  - 2 Not at all important
  - 1 Don't know (VOL.)
  - 100 Total
- b. Enforcing the rule of law
  - 33 Extremely important
  - 44 Very Important
  - 16 Somewhat important
  - 3 Not too important
  - 2 Not at all important
  - 1 Don't know (VOL.)
  - 100 Total
- c. Ensuring fairness to taxpayers
  - 37 Extremely important
  - 40 Very Important
  - 16 Somewhat important
  - 3 Not too important
  - 3 Not at all important
  - 2 Don't know (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

- d. Following the biblical example of welcoming the stranger
  - 17 Extremely important
  - 33 Very Important
  - 30 Somewhat important
  - Not too important
  - 9 Not at all important
  - 3 Don't know (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

#### **ASK FORM 2 ONLY (N=2,206):**

- e. Protecting the dignity of every person
  - 41 Extremely important
  - 41 Very Important
  - 13 Somewhat important
  - 2 Not too important
  - 1 Not at all important
  - 1 Don't know (VOL.)
  - 100 Total
- f. Promoting national security
  - 42 Extremely important
  - 42 Very Important
  - 11 Somewhat important
  - 3 Not too important
  - 1 Not at all important
  - 1 Don't know (VOL.)
  - 100 Total
- g. Following the Golden Rule, providing immigrants the same opportunity I would want if my family was immigrating to the U.S.
  - 30 Extremely important
  - 39 Very Important
  - 19 Somewhat important
  - 4 Not too important
  - 4 Not at all important
  - 3 Don't know (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

- h. Continuing America's heritage as a nation of immigrants
  - 20 Extremely important
  - 32 Very Important
  - 31 Somewhat important
  - Not too important
  - 5 Not at all important
  - 2 Don't know (VOL.)
  - 100 Total
- Q.32 Were you born in the United States, or in another country?
  - 87 Born in U.S.
  - Born in another country
  - \* Born in Puerto Rico (VOL.)
  - \* Born in other U.S. territories (Guam, Samoa, Virgin Islands) (VOL.)
  - \* Don't know (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

#### IF BORN IN US (Q32=1) (N=4,017), ASK:

Q.33 And where were your parents born? Were they both born in the U.S., was one born in the U.S., or were both born in another country?

## NOTE: If either parent born in Puerto Rico, that qualifies as being born outside of U.S.

- 88 Both parents born in U.S.
- 6 Only one parent born in U.S.
- 5 Both parents born in another country
- \* Other (VOL.)
- \* Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
- 100 Total
- Q.34 How well do you know the story of how your family first came to the U.S.?
  - 43 Very well
  - 26 Somewhat well
  - Not too well
  - 14 Not at all well
  - 2 Don't know/Refused
  - 100 Total

- Q.36 How often do you personally come in contact with immigrants who speak little or no English?
  - 50 Often
  - 26 Sometimes
  - 18 Rarely
  - 5 Never
  - \* Don't know (VOL.)
  - 100 Total
- Q.37 Do you have any close friends who were born outside the U.S.?
  - 61 Yes
  - 39 No
  - \* Don't know (VOL.)
  - 100 Total

Note: Numbers may not add to 100% due to rounding

## **Survey Methodology**

The survey was designed and conducted by Public Religion Research Institute in partnership with the Brookings Institution. The survey was made possible by the Ford Foundation with additional support from the Nathan Cummings Foundation and Four Freedoms Fund/Public Interest Projects. Results of the survey were based on bilingual (Spanish and English) telephone interviews conducted between January 28, 2013 and February 24, 2013, by professional interviewers under the supervision of Directions in Research. Interviews were conducted by telephone among a random sample of 4,465 adults 18 years of age or older in the entire United States (1,774 respondents were interviewed on a cell phone). The landline and cell phone samples were provided by Survey Sampling International and the final sample was weighted to ensure proper representativeness.

The weighting was accomplished in two stages. The first stage of weighting corrected for different probabilities of selection associated with the number of adults in each household and each respondent's telephone usage patterns. In the second stage, sample demographics were balanced by form to match target population parameters for gender, age, education, race and Hispanic ethnicity, region (U.S. Census definitions), population density and telephone usage. The population density parameter was derived from Census 2010 data. The telephone usage parameter came from an analysis of the January-June 2012 National Health Interview Survey. All other weighting parameters were derived from an analysis of the U.S. Census Bureau's 2011 American Community Survey.

The sample weighting was accomplished using Sample Balancing, a special iterative sample-weighting program that simultaneously balances the distributions of all variables. Weights were trimmed to prevent individual interviews from having too much influence on the final results. The use of these weights in statistical analysis ensures that the demographic characteristics of the sample closely approximate the demographic characteristics of the target populations.

The margin of error is +/- 1.7 percentage points for the general sample at the 95% confidence level. In addition to sampling error, surveys may also be subject to error or bias due to question wording, context, and order effects.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Telephone usage refers to whether respondents have only a landline telephone, only a cell phone or both types.