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## Public Supports U.S. Talks With North Korea; Many Doubt Whether Its Leaders Are 'Serious’

 Little change in views of Russia and ChinaAmericans overwhelmingly support direct talks between the United States and North Korea over its nuclear program. About seven-in-ten (71\%) approve of these talks, while just $21 \%$ disapprove. However, the public is skeptical about whether North Korea's leaders are serious about addressing concerns over its nuclear program.

Overall, 49\% say North Korea's leadership is not serious about addressing international concerns over the country's nuclear enrichment program, while $38 \%$ think North Korea's leaders are serious about addressing these concerns.

At a time of deep partisan divisions over many issues, foreign and domestic, nearly equal shares in both parties - 50\% of Republicans and $49 \%$ of Democrats - say they think North


Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted April 25-May 1, 2018. PEW RESEARCH CENTER Korea's leadership is not serious about addressing nuclear concerns.

The latest national survey by Pew Research Center, conducted April 25-May 1 among 1,503 adults, also includes public attitudes about U.S. global involvement, Russia and China.
(Also new today: Americans are generally more positive about free trade agreements, more critical of tariff increases)

Changing views on whether U.S. does too much - or too little - globally. Americans are now evenly split over whether the U.S. does too little(33\%), too much (30\%) or the right amount (29\%) to solve world problems; that is a change from two years ago, when the plurality view (41\%) was that the U.S. did too much globally. The shift has been driven by changes among partisans: Republicans and Republican-leaning independents increasingly say the U.S. is doing the right amount globally, while Democrats and Democratic leaners increasingly think the U.S. is doing too little to solve world problems.

## More continue to see Russia as a "serious

 problem" than an "adversary." There has been little overall change in views of Russia over the past year: $28 \%$ regard Russia as an adversary; $42 \%$ say it is a serious problem but not an adversary; and $24 \%$ say Russia is not much of a problem. While majorities in both parties
## Public now evenly split in views of U.S. efforts to solve world problems

In terms of solving world problems, U.S. does ... (\%)
$\rightarrow$ Too much $\rightarrow$ Too little - Right amount


Note: Don't know responses not shown.
Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted April 25-May 1, 2018.
PEW RESEARCH CENTER view Russia as either an adversary or a serious problem, more Republicans (33\%) than Democrats (17\%) say Russia is not much of a problem.

China viewed less negatively by young people. Overall, $16 \%$ of the public says China is an adversary; $43 \%$ say it a serious problem but not an adversary; and $34 \%$ say it is not much of a problem. Adults younger than 50 are twice as likely as those 50 and older to say that China is not much of a problem ( $44 \%$ vs. $22 \%$ ).

## Most approve of direct U.S. negotiations with North Korea

A substantial majority of Americans (71\%) approve of the U.S. negotiating directly with North Korea over its nuclear program, while just 21\% say they disapprove.

Americans today are more supportive of negotiations with North Korea over its nuclear program than they were of direct U.S. negotiations with Iran during Barack Obama's administration. (For more on views of the Iran nuclear agreement see Public Skeptical of the Iran Agreement - and Trump's handling of the Situation.)

About seven-in-ten Americans approve of direct talks with North Korea today; in March of 2015, shortly before the Iran agreement was reached, only about half of the public (49\%) supported negotiating directly with Iran over its nuclear program. A larger share ( $63 \%$ ) supported direct U.S. talks with Iran in 2009.

| More support for direct U.S. talks with North Korea now than with Iran in 2015 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \% who say they approve/disapprove of U.S. negotiating directly with $\qquad$ over its nuclear program |  |  |  |
| North Korea Disapprove ■ Approve DK |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| May 2018 | 21 | 71 | 8 |
| Iran |  |  |  |
| March 2015 | 40 | 49 | 11 |
| Oct 2009 | 28 | 63 | 9 |
| Sep 2006 | 32 | 54 | 14 |
| Note: In September 2006, question wording was favor or oppose direct negotiations with Iran. <br> Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted April 25-May 1, 2018. |  |  |  |
| PEW RESEARCH CENTER |  |  |  |

Republicans are significantly more supportive of direct negotiations with North Korea today than they were of negotiations with Iran in the leadup to the 2015 nuclear agreement.

More than eight-in-ten Republicans and Republican-leaning independents (85\%) approve of the U.S. negotiating with North Korea. By contrast, only about half as many Republicans (40\%) approved of the U.S. directly negotiating with Iran three years ago. In both 2009, Obama's first year as president, and in 2006, during George W. Bush's presidency, majorities of Republicans approved of direct talks with Iran.

About six-in-ten Democrats and Democratic leaners ( $63 \%$ ) currently approve of talks with North Korea. This is roughly the same share that approved of talks with Iran in the fall of 2009 (64\%) and spring of 2015 (60\%).

## Far more Republicans support N. Korea talks than backed Iran talks in 2015

\% who say they approve of U.S. negotiating directly with over its nuclear program
$\square$ Rep/Lean Rep $\quad$ Dem/Lean Dem



Note: In September 2006, question wording was "favor or oppose direct negotiations with Iran."
Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted April 25-May 1, 2018. PEW RESEARCH CENTER

While there is widespread public approval of U.S. negotiations with North Korea, nearly half of Americans (49\%) say North Korea's leadership is not serious about addressing international concerns about their country's nuclear enrichment program. Fewer (38\%) say North Korea is serious about addressing these concerns.

Views of whether North Korea is serious about addressing concerns over its nuclear program are similar among Republicans and Democrats. About half in both parties (50\% of Republicans and 49\% of Democrats) say they are not serious, while $36 \%$ of Republicans and $40 \%$ of Democrats say North Korean leaders are serious.

And while a majority (60\%) of those who

## Bipartisan skepticism on North Korea's seriousness in dealing with nukes

| \% who say North Korea's leadership is $\qquad$ about addressing concerns about their nuclear program |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | - Not serious | $\square$ Serious | DK |
| Total | 49 | 38 | 13 |
| Rep/Lean Rep | 50 | 36 | 14 |
| Dem/Lean Dem | 49 | 40 | 11 |
| Among those who $\qquad$ of U.S. negotiating directly with North Korea ... |  |  |  |
| Approve (71\%) | 47 | 40 | 14 |
| Disapprove (21\%) | 60 | 37 | 4 |

Note: Figures may not add to $100 \%$ because of rounding. Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted April 25-May 1, 2018.

PEW RESEARCH CENTER disapprove of direct U.S.-North Korea talks
say North Korea's leaders are not serious about addressing nuclear concerns, so too do nearly half of those who approve of direct U.S. talks with North Korea (47\%).

## Most Americans have heard about U.S.-North Korea talks

More than four-in-ten Americans (44\%) say they have heard "a lot" about negotiations between the U.S. and North Korea, while an additional $44 \%$ have heard a little; just $12 \%$ have heard nothing at all about the talks.

By contrast, public awareness of the 2015 Iran deal in this survey was much more modest: Just $27 \%$ said they have heard a lot about the 2015 Iran nuclear agreement, $46 \%$ a little, and $26 \%$ nothing at all. (Note: This survey was conducted before President Trump's May 8 announcement that the U.S. would withdraw from the Iran deal).

The negotiations between the U.S. and North Korea are resonating more among Republicans than Democrats. More than half (54\%) of Republicans and Republican-leaning independents say they have heard a lot about the U.S.-North Korea talks, compared with $39 \%$ of Democrats and Democratic leaners.

## Republicans report hearing more about North Korea talks than Democrats

\% who say they have heard $\qquad$ about negotiations between U.S. and North Korea


Note: Don't know responses not shown.
Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted April 25-May 1, 2018. PEW RESEARCH CENTER

## Shifting views of U.S. global role under Trump

Public assessments of the United States' global role have shifted over the last two years, as views among Republicans and Democrats have moved in sharply different directions following the change in presidential administrations.

Overall, the public has mixed views about U.S. efforts to solve world problems: About equal shares say U.S. does too little (33\%), too much (30\%) and about the right amount (29\%) in helping to solve world problems.

Current views mark a shift from April 2016. Two years ago, a $41 \%$ plurality said the U.S. did too much to solve global problems; fewer said the country did too little (27\%) or about the right amount (28\%).

## Fewer Americans say U.S. does 'too much' in solving world problems <br> In terms of solving world problems, U.S. does ... (\%)

$\rightarrow$ Too much - Too little $-\mathrm{O}-$ Right amount


Note: Don't know responses not shown.
Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted April 25-May 1, 2018.
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Among Democrats and Democratic leaners, nearly half (48\%) say the U.S. does too little to solve world problems, up from just 22\% two years ago. There has been a 16-percentagepoint decline in the share of Democrats who say the U.S. does too much to help solve world problems and a 17-point decline in the share saying it does about the right amount.

Over the same period, the share of Republicans and Republican leaners who say the U.S. does the right amount to solve world problems has more than doubled ( $42 \%$ now, $17 \%$ then). However, nearly four-in-ten Republicans (37\%) say the U.S. does too much to solve world problems, down from $45 \%$ in

Nearly half of Democrats now say U.S. does 'too little' to solve world problems
In terms of solving world problems, U.S. does ... (\%)



Among Dem/Lean Dem ...


Note: Don't know responses not shown.
Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted April 25-May 1, 2018. PEW RESEARCH CENTER 2016. The share of Republicans who say the U.S. does too little in this regard has fallen 17 percentage points (from $33 \%$ to 16\%).

The public also is divided in assessments of the country's role as a global leader today versus 10 years ago.

Overall, $35 \%$ say the U.S. plays a less important and powerful role as a world leader today than it did 10 years ago; roughly as many say it plays about as important a role (32\%) or a more important role (31\%) than a decade ago.

While divided in their overall views, the public sees a more prominent role for the U.S. today than it did a few years ago. In 2016, $46 \%$ said the U.S. played a less important and powerful role as a world leader than it did 10 years was a decade before.

Republicans have become much more likely to say the U.S. plays a more important role as a world leader today than in the past. Overall, $45 \%$ say the United States' global role is more important today than it was a decade ago; in 2016, just $15 \%$ of Republicans said this. This shift has been accompanied by a sharp decline in the share of Republicans who think the country's global role is less important than a decade ago; just 19\% say this today, compared with $65 \%$ who said this in 2016.

Views among Democrats have moved in the opposite direction. Nearly half (49\%) think the U.S. plays a less important leadership role today than it did 10 years ago, up from $29 \%$ who said this in 2016. Three-in-ten Democrats say the U.S. global leadership role is about as important as it was 10 years ago and $19 \%$ think it is more important; both shares are somewhat lower than they were in 2016.
Partisan changes in views of U.S. global
role - but divide remains large

| Compared with 10 years ago, U.S. plays world leader ... (\%) |  | role as a |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - More important | - Less important | - As important |
| Total |  |  |
| May 2018 31 | 35 | 32 |
| April 201621 | 46 | 31 |
| Among Rep/Lean Rep ... |  |  |
| May 2018 45 | 19 | 34 |
| April 201615 | 65 | 19 |
| Among Dem/Lean Dem ... |  |  |
| May 201819 | 49 | 30 |
| April 2016 27 | 29 | 42 |

Note: Don't know responses not shown.
Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted April 25-May 1, 2018.
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## Views of Russia and China

About four-in-ten Americans (42\%) say they think of Russia as a serious problem, but not an adversary; fewer ( $28 \%$ ) consider Russia an adversary and $24 \%$ say the country is not much of a problem. Overall public views are about the same as there were in January 2017, shortly before Donald Trump took office.

As was the case then, about twice as many Republicans (33\%) as Democrats (17\%) say Russia is "not much of a problem." However, somewhat fewer Democrats view Russia as an adversary than did so in January 2017 (30\% now, $38 \%$ then), though the share describing it as either a serious problem or an adversary is little changed. Republicans' views of Russia have changed little over this period.

## More Americans view Russia as a serious problem than as an adversary

\% who think of Russia as $\qquad$ $\square$ Adversary $\quad$ Serious problem $\quad$ Not a problem



Note: Don't know responses not shown.
Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted April 25-May 1, 2018.

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The public sees China in less negative terms than Russia. Still, 43\% consider China a serious problem (but not an adversary); about a third (34\%) say China is not much of a problem, while just $16 \%$ consider China an adversary. The share that considers China an adversary has edged down 6 points since early 2017.

Adults younger than 50 are less likely than older adults to see China as a problem. Nearly seven-in-ten (68\%) of those ages 50 and older view China as a serious problem (49\%) or as an adversary (19\%). A smaller share of those ages 18 to 49 ( $51 \%$ ) think of China as a serious problem (39\%) or as an adversary (13\%); 44\% of younger adults consider China not much of a problem.

Among Republicans and Republican leaners, $68 \%$ say China is a serious problem (46\%) or an adversary (22\%). A smaller majority of Democrats and Democratic leaners see China in these terms (54\%), including just 11\% who think of China as an adversary.

## Public's views of China are little changed in recent years

\% who think of China as $\qquad$
$\longrightarrow$ Adversary $\longrightarrow$ Serious problem $\longrightarrow$ Not a problem


Note: Don't know responses not shown.
Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted April 25-May 1, 2018.
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## More younger adults than older people say China is 'not much of a problem'



Note: Don't know responses not shown.
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The analysis in this report is based on telephone interviews conducted April 25-May 1, 2018 among a national sample of 1,503 adults, 18 years of age or older, living in all 50 U.S. states and the District of Columbia ( 376 respondents were interviewed on a landline telephone, and 1,127 were interviewed on a cell phone, including 740 who had no landline telephone). The survey was conducted by interviewers under the direction of Abt Associates. 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 http://www.pewresearch.org/methodology/u-s-survey-research/

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 2016 Census Bureau's American Community Survey one-year estimates 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 2016 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:

| Survey conducted April 25-May 1, 2018 |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Group | Unweighted <br> sample size | Plus or minus ... |
| Total sample | 1,503 | 2.9 percentage points |
|  | 644 | 4.5 percentage points |
| Rep/Lean Rep | 710 | 4.3 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 1-2, 8-9 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

## NO QUESTIONS 3-7, 10-19

Next,
ASK ALL:
Q. 20 Do you think the United States plays a more important and powerful role as a world leader today compared to 10 years ago, a less important role, or about as important a role as a world leader as it did 10 years ago?

Apr 25-May 1, 2018

| More | Less | As | (VOL.) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| important | important | important | DK/Ref |
| 31 | 35 | 32 | 3 |
| 21 | 46 | 31 | 3 |
| 15 | 48 | 34 | 2 |
| 17 | 53 | 27 | 3 |
| 25 | 41 | 30 | 4 |
| 45 | 20 | 31 | 4 |
| 33 | 26 | 38 | 3 |
| 35 | 23 | 40 | 2 |
| 40 | 27 | 29 | 4 |
| 37 | 26 | 33 | 4 |
| 37 | 30 | 31 | 2 |
| 37 | 35 | 24 | 4 |
| 41 | 26 | 29 | 4 |
| 27 | 25 | 44 | 5 |
| 29 | 41 | 24 | 6 |
| 28 | 39 | 27 | 6 |

## ASK ALL:

Q. 21 In terms of solving world problems, does the United States do too much, too little, or the right amount in helping solve world problems?


## ASK ALL:

Q. 22 In general, do you think that free trade agreements between the U.S. and other countries have been a good thing or a bad thing for the United States?

Apr 25-May 1, 2018
Good thing
Apr 5-11, 2017
Oct 20-25, 2016
Aug 9-16, 2016
Mar 17-26, 2016

56
52
45
50
51

Bad thing 30
40
(VOL.)
DK/Ref
14
8
11
$42 \quad 8$
$39 \quad 10$

[^0]
## Q. 22 CONTINUED...

May 12-18, 2015

| Good thing | Bad thing <br> 58 | (VOL.) <br> DK/Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 59 | 30 | 9 |
| 48 | 41 | 10 |
| 52 | 34 | 12 |
|  |  | 14 |

TREND FOR COMPARISON:
In general, do you think that free trade agreements like NAFTA and the policies of the World Trade Organization have been a good thing or a bad thing for the United States?

| Nov 4-7, 2010 | Good thing | Bad thing | (VOL.) <br> DK/Ref |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009 | 35 | 44 | 21 |
| Mar 31-Apr 21, 2009 | 43 | 32 | 25 |
| April, 2008 2007 | 44 | 35 | 21 |
| November, 200 | 35 | 48 | 17 |
| December, 2006 | 40 | 40 | 20 |
| Late October, 2005 | 44 | 35 | 21 |
| December, 2004 | 44 | 34 | 22 |
| July, 2004 | 47 | 34 | 19 |
| March, 2004 | 47 | 34 | 19 |
| December, 2003 | 44 | 37 | 19 |
| Early September, 2001 | 34 | 33 | 33 |
| November, 1997 | 49 | 29 | 22 |
| September, 1997 | 45 | 34 | 21 |

## NO QUESTIONS 23-25, 28-34, 37-39, 42-44, 48-59, 61, 63-69

## QUESTIONS 26-27, 35-36, 60, 62 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

## QUESTIONS 40-41, 45-47, 70 AND ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

## ASK ALL:

Q. 71 As you may know, there are proposals to raise tariffs or fees on steel and aluminum that is imported into the United States from other countries. How much, if anything, have you read or heard about these proposals? Have you heard ... [READ IN ORDER]

Apr 25-May 1
$\underline{2018}$
29 A lot
41 A little
29 Nothing at all

* Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

[^1]
## ASK ALL:

## Q. 72 Do you think that raising tariffs on steel and aluminum imports would be a good thing or a bad thing for the U.S.? [IF NECESSARY: tariffs or fees on steel and aluminum that is imported into the U.S. from other countries]

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    Apr 25-May 1
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        \(\underline{2018}\)
        37 Good thing
        45 Bad thing
        17 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
    
## QUESTION 73 AND ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

## QUESTIONS 74, 75 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

## NO QUESTIONS 77-79

## ASK ALL:

Q. 80 All things considered, which of these descriptions comes closest to your view of [INSERT ITEM; OBSERVE FORM SPLITS] today... Do you think [ITEM] is [READ IN ORDER]?

|  |  |  | A serious problem <br> ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=752]: <br> Russia |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| an adversary |  |  |  |  |
| apr 25-May 1, 2018 an adversary |  |  |  |  |$\quad$| Not much |
| :---: |
| of a problem |$\quad$| (VOL.) |
| :---: |
| DK/Ref |

## ASK ALL:

Q. 81 How much, if anything, have you heard about negotiations between the United States and North Korea on North Korea's nuclear program? Have you heard [READ IN ORDER]?

## Apr 25-May 1

2018
44 A lot
44 A little
12 Nothing at all

* Don't know/Refused (VOL.)


## ASK ALL:

Q. 82 From what you know, do you approve or disapprove of the United States negotiating directly with North Korea over the issue of its nuclear program?

Apr 25-May 1
71 Approve
21 Disapprove
8 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
ASK ALL:
Q. 83 Do you think North Korea's leadership is serious about addressing international concerns about their country's nuclear enrichment program, or not?

Apr 25-May 1
$\underline{2018}$
38
Serious
Not serious
13 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

## ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

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.) <br> No preference | (VOL.) Other party | (VOL.) <br> DK/Ref | Lean <br> Rep | Lean Dem |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Apr 25-May 1, 2018 | 27 | 28 | 38 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 14 | 19 |
| Mar 7-14, 2018 | 26 | 28 | 41 | 3 | * | 1 | 17 | 18 |
| Jan 10-15, 2018 | 26 | 33 | 34 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 12 | 18 |
| Nov 29-Dec 4, 2017 | 20 | 32 | 40 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 13 | 19 |
| Oct 25-30, 2017 | 22 | 32 | 41 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 17 | 19 |
| Jun 8-Jul 9, 2017 | 25 | 31 | 39 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 16 | 18 |
| Apr 5-11, 2017 | 24 | 31 | 42 | 2 | 1 | * | 17 | 20 |
| Yearly Totals |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017 | 23.6 | 31.4 | 39.4 | 3.3 | . 6 | 1.7 | 15.8 | 18.7 |
| 2016 | 25.4 | 32.0 | 36.5 | 3.4 | . 5 | 2.2 | 14.6 | 17.0 |
| 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 | 23.9 | 34.4 | 35.1 | 3.4 | . 4 | 2.8 | 13.1 | 15.7 |
| 2008 | 25.7 | 36.0 | 31.5 | 3.6 | . 3 | 3.0 | 10.6 | 15.2 |
| 2007 | 25.3 | 32.9 | 34.1 | 4.3 | . 4 | 2.9 | 10.9 | 17.0 |
| 2006 | 27.8 | 33.1 | 30.9 | 4.4 | . 3 | 3.4 | 10.5 | 15.1 |
| 2005 | 29.3 | 32.8 | 30.2 | 4.5 | . 3 | 2.8 | 10.3 | 14.9 |
| 2004 | 30.0 | 33.5 | 29.5 | 3.8 | . 4 | 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 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |

Key to Pew Research trends noted in the topline:


[^0]:    1 Surveys conducted December 1974 through November 1990 by the Chicago Council on Foreign Relations

[^1]:    2 In December 2006, December 2004, July 2004 and March 2004, the question wording asked about: "free trade agreements like NAFTA and the World Trade Organization," and did not mention "policies of" the World Trade Organization. In October 2005 the question asked: "So far, do you think that NAFTA has been a good thing or a bad thing from a U.S. point of view?" In December 2003 the question wording asked about "free trade agreements like NAFTA and the WTO;" full names of the organizations were read out only if the respondent was uncertain. In Early September 2001 and earlier the question asked about: "...NAFTA, the North American Free Trade Agreement..."

