



YG NETWORK
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT POLL:
MAY 2014

TOPLINE RESULTS

Methodology:

THIS YG NETWORK CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT POLL WAS CONDUCTED FROM MAY 4-7, 2014, AMONG A SAMPLE OF 726 LIKELY VOTERS ACROSS THE 90 MOST REPUBLICAN U.S. HOUSE DISTRICTS, AS DEFINED BY THE COOK POLITICAL REPORT. INTERVIEWS WERE COMPLETED ONLINE USING SURVEY SAMPLING INTERNATIONAL, INC., AND THE DATA WERE WEIGHTED TO APPROXIMATE A TARGET SAMPLE OF MIDTERM VOTERS BASED ON AGE, GENDER, EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT, RACE, AND MARITAL STATUS. THIS POLL SHOULD BE VIEWED AS A REPRESENTATIVE SAMPLE OF THESE 90 REPUBLICAN CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS. THIS SAMPLE IS NOT A REPRESENTATION OF THE ENTIRE UNITED STATES. NOTE, THE NUMBERS DO NOT ALWAYS ADD UP TO 100% BECAUSE THEY ARE ROUNDED TO THE NEAREST PERCENTAGE POINT. RESULTS FROM THE FULL SURVEY HAVE A MARGIN OF ERROR OF PLUS OR MINUS FOUR PERCENTAGE POINTS.

1: Generally speaking, do you think things in the nation are headed in the right direction, or do you feel things are off on the wrong track?

	Right Direction	Wrong Track	N
Likely Voters	30	70	726
Male	32	68	355
Female	29	71	371
18-44	40	60	332
45-64	24	76	261
65+	19	81	133
Men 18-44	44	56	157
Men 45+	22	78	198
Women 18-44	36	64	175
Women 45+	23	77	197
Ethnicity - White	23	77	590
Ethnicity - Afr. Am.	60	40	75
Ethnicity - Hispanic	62	38	77
Ethnicity - Other	34	66	30
Republican	12	88	276
Democrat	62	38	211
Independent	23	77	240
Urban	43	57	157
Suburban	30	70	296
Rural	24	76	273

2: And, do you approve or disapprove of the job that Barack Obama is doing as President?

	Strongly approve	Somewhat approve	Somewhat disapprove	Strongly disapprove	Don't Know / No opinion	N
Likely Voters	10	25	15	47	3	726
Male	11	24	12	50	2	355
Female	9	27	18	43	3	371
18-44	12	36	16	33	4	332
45-64	9	19	16	53	2	261
65+	7	12	12	68	1	133
Men 18-44	16	34	12	33	5	157
Men 45+	8	15	12	64	0	198
Women 18-44	8	37	19	33	3	175
Women 45+	9	19	17	52	4	197
Ethnicity - White	5	22	16	54	2	590
Ethnicity - Afr. Am.	29	38	12	14	7	75
Ethnicity - Hispanic	20	49	19	12	0	77
Ethnicity - Other	19	33	15	26	7	30
Republican	1	3	19	75	1	276
Democrat	29	51	10	8	1	211
Independent	3	29	16	47	6	240
Urban	12	38	13	34	4	157
Suburban	14	23	16	46	2	296
Rural	5	21	16	55	3	273

3: From the following list, which issue do you believe would have the most impact on you and your family's future?

	Debt and deficits	Economy and jobs	Health- care	Energy and gas prices	Abortion and con- tra- cep- tion	Retire- ment secur- ity	Edu- cation	National secur- ity	Immi- gra- tion	Don't Know	N
Likely Voters	8	29	19	10	1	17	4	2	2	9	726
Male	7	31	20	9	1	16	6	1	1	8	355
Female	9	28	19	12	0	17	3	2	3	9	371
18-44	7	35	17	8	0	7	8	1	3	14	332
45-64	9	28	22	11	0	19	1	2	1	5	261
65+	6	18	20	13	3	34	1	3	1	2	133
Men 18-44	3	43	14	2	0	10	12	0	0	16	157
Men 45+	10	21	24	14	2	22	1	2	2	2	198
Women 18-44	11	28	19	14	0	5	4	1	5	13	175
Women 45+	7	28	19	10	0	27	1	3	1	5	197
Ethnicity - White	8	27	20	11	1	18	2	2	2	9	590
Ethnicity - Afr. Am.	2	50	16	11	0	5	5	0	3	9	75
Ethnicity - Hispanic	16	19	14	14	0	8	19	0	8	2	77
Ethnicity - Other	10	33	20	3	0	28	0	7	0	0	30
Republican	7	30	20	10	1	21	1	2	1	8	276
Democrat	9	26	21	10	0	18	10	1	4	2	211
Independent	8	32	17	12	1	11	2	2	1	14	240
Urban	9	31	20	4	1	13	3	1	6	13	157
Suburban	6	31	20	10	1	16	8	2	1	5	296
Rural	9	26	17	15	0	20	1	2	1	10	273

4: Now from the same list, which issue would have the SECOND most impact on you and your family's future?

	Debt and deficits	Economy and jobs	Health- care	Energy and gas prices	Abortion and con- tracep- tion	Retire- ment	Education	National secu- rity	Immi- gra- tion	N
Likely Voters	10	18	23	22	1	10	5	5	3	653
Male	12	21	25	20	1	10	2	4	6	319
Female	9	16	22	25	1	11	9	7	1	334
18-44	7	20	22	31	1	2	10	6	1	283
45-64	11	20	22	16	0	20	2	4	4	243
65+	17	11	28	15	3	10	1	7	7	127
Men 18-44	8	26	28	29	0	1	3	1	3	131
Men 45+	14	18	22	14	2	15	2	5	8	188
Women 18-44	5	16	16	32	2	3	16	10	0	153
Women 45+	12	15	27	18	1	17	2	5	2	182
Ethnicity - White	11	16	23	23	1	11	6	6	4	525
Ethnicity - Afr. Am.	4	19	31	23	0	7	7	6	4	68
Ethnicity - Hispanic	7	27	12	31	0	6	15	4	0	76
Ethnicity - Other	30	22	27	12	0	8	0	1	0	30
Republican	10	15	24	23	2	11	3	6	6	247
Democrat	7	26	23	24	0	10	5	4	1	203
Independent	14	15	23	21	0	10	9	6	2	203
Urban	4	17	22	33	1	7	4	8	5	134
Suburban	12	18	27	18	1	10	6	5	4	279
Rural	12	20	20	22	2	12	5	5	2	241

5: How concerned are you in the next 12 months that you or someone else in your household might be out of work and looking for a job?

	Extremely concerned	Very concerned	Not very concerned	Not concerned at all	Don't Know / No opinion	N
Likely Voters	17	21	30	24	9	726
Male	13	24	32	24	7	355
Female	20	18	28	24	10	371
18-44	23	21	36	13	8	332
45-64	13	23	28	28	8	261
65+	9	16	20	44	11	133
Men 18-44	18	29	35	10	7	157
Men 45+	9	20	29	36	6	198
Women 18-44	26	14	36	15	8	175
Women 45+	14	21	21	31	12	197
Ethnicity - White	17	18	31	26	9	590
Ethnicity - Afr. Am.	12	24	34	17	14	75
Ethnicity - Hispanic	19	30	41	10	0	77
Ethnicity - Other	15	34	20	28	3	30
Republican	17	17	32	23	11	276
Democrat	16	28	29	23	4	211
Independent	17	19	28	26	11	240
Urban	19	18	32	21	11	157
Suburban	17	26	30	21	6	296
Rural	15	17	29	29	11	273

6: Now, regardless of which candidate you may be supporting in the midterm elections, which party do you believe will do a better job on each of the following issues?

Reducing the federal deficit

	Democrats	Republicans	Don't Know	N
Likely Voters	24	49	26	724
Male	26	55	19	352
Female	22	45	34	371
18-44	33	40	27	332
45-64	18	52	30	261
65+	13	68	20	131
Men 18-44	40	44	16	157
Men 45+	15	63	22	195
Women 18-44	27	37	36	175
Women 45+	18	51	31	197
Ethnicity - White	20	52	27	588
Ethnicity - Afr. Am.	37	27	36	75
Ethnicity - Hispanic	47	35	18	77
Ethnicity - Other	14	76	10	30
Republican	2	83	15	274
Democrat	59	14	26	211
Independent	18	42	40	240
Urban	28	42	30	157
Suburban	26	50	24	296
Rural	19	54	27	271

7: Now, regardless of which candidate you may be supporting in the midterm elections, which party do you believe will do a better job on each of the following issues?

Creating an environment for businesses to grow and add jobs

	Democrats	Republicans	Don't Know	N
Likely Voters	28	50	23	726
Male	30	54	16	355
Female	25	46	29	371
18-44	34	40	26	332
45-64	26	52	22	261
65+	16	68	16	133
Men 18-44	42	40	18	157
Men 45+	21	65	14	198
Women 18-44	27	40	33	175
Women 45+	24	51	26	197
Ethnicity - White	22	53	25	590
Ethnicity - Afr. Am.	58	23	18	75
Ethnicity - Hispanic	39	33	28	77
Ethnicity - Other	22	68	10	30
Republican	3	83	14	276
Democrat	66	14	20	211
Independent	22	43	35	240
Urban	32	44	24	157
Suburban	30	48	21	296
Rural	22	55	23	273

8: Now, regardless of which candidate you may be supporting in the midterm elections, which party do you believe will do a better job on each of the following issues?

Handling national security and the military

	Democrats	Republicans	Don't Know	N
Likely Voters	21	54	26	726
Male	18	61	21	355
Female	23	47	30	371
18-44	23	46	31	332
45-64	20	55	25	261
65+	15	70	15	133
Men 18-44	21	52	27	157
Men 45+	16	68	16	198
Women 18-44	25	41	34	175
Women 45+	21	52	27	197
Ethnicity - White	18	56	26	590
Ethnicity - Afr. Am.	53	18	29	75
Ethnicity - Hispanic	20	56	24	77
Ethnicity - Other	17	63	20	30
Republican	2	87	11	276
Democrat	53	24	23	211
Independent	14	42	44	240
Urban	23	44	33	157
Suburban	23	56	21	296
Rural	17	57	26	273

9: Now, regardless of which candidate you may be supporting in the midterm elections, which party do you believe will do a better job on each of the following issues?

Looking out for the interests of the nation's military veterans

	Democrats	Republicans	Don't Know	N
Likely Voters	26	47	27	726
Male	27	50	23	355
Female	25	45	30	371
18-44	32	38	30	332
45-64	23	49	28	261
65+	16	66	17	133
Men 18-44	37	37	26	157
Men 45+	20	60	20	198
Women 18-44	28	39	33	175
Women 45+	22	50	28	197
Ethnicity - White	20	52	27	590
Ethnicity - Afr. Am.	49	16	35	75
Ethnicity - Hispanic	47	32	21	77
Ethnicity - Other	25	60	15	30
Republican	4	81	15	276
Democrat	64	13	23	211
Independent	18	39	43	240
Urban	38	40	22	157
Suburban	25	48	27	296
Rural	20	51	29	273

(Question 10 held for release)

11: In general, do you think the U.S. economy is currently improving, declining or staying the same?

	Improving	Declining	Staying the same	Don't Know	N
Likely Voters	23	45	29	2	726
Male	28	40	30	3	355
Female	19	49	29	2	371
18-44	26	37	34	4	332
45-64	25	49	25	2	261
65+	15	56	28	1	133
Men 18-44	32	31	31	6	157
Men 45+	24	47	29	1	198
Women 18-44	20	42	36	2	175
Women 45+	19	56	23	2	197
Ethnicity - White	17	50	30	2	590
Ethnicity - Afr. Am.	51	12	33	4	75
Ethnicity - Hispanic	40	37	23	0	77
Ethnicity - Other	26	43	32	0	30
Republican	8	59	32	1	276
Democrat	51	18	29	2	211
Independent	16	52	27	4	240
Urban	27	42	28	4	157
Suburban	26	43	28	2	296
Rural	18	48	32	2	273

12: What do you think is the most important economic issue currently facing the country?

	Slow job growth and continued high unem- ployment	Increasing govern- ment spending and the rising deficit	Globalization and the outsourc- ing of American jobs	The rising gap between the rich and poor	The increase in everyday costs, including housing, groceries and gas	Dont Know	N
Likely Voters	17	18	7	16	38	4	726
Male	18	19	9	21	31	2	355
Female	15	18	6	11	44	5	371
18-44	18	9	8	20	40	6	332
45-64	15	22	7	14	38	3	261
65+	17	34	8	10	30	1	133
Men 18-44	14	7	10	31	35	3	157
Men 45+	21	29	7	13	28	2	198
Women 18-44	21	11	5	10	46	8	175
Women 45+	11	24	8	12	42	3	197
Ethnicity - White	16	21	8	13	39	3	590
Ethnicity - Afr. Am.	18	2	10	18	42	10	75
Ethnicity - Hispanic	35	7	0	30	28	0	77
Ethnicity - Other	8	31	3	15	40	3	30
Republican	13	28	8	4	45	2	276
Democrat	17	7	6	33	32	5	211
Independent	21	17	8	15	34	6	240
Urban	28	10	3	20	34	4	157
Suburban	18	20	9	18	32	3	296
Rural	9	21	9	11	46	5	273

13: Now, I would like you to read some names of different people and organizations. For each one, please select whether you have a favorable or unfavorable impression of that person or group. If you have no opinion or have never heard of the person or organization, please indicate that.

U.S. Military Veterans

	Very Favorable	Somewhat Favorable	Somewhat Unfavor- able	Very Un- favorable	Never Heard Of	Heard Of, No Opinion	N
Likely Voters	70	19	2	3	1	5	726
Male	65	22	2	3	0	7	355
Female	74	17	1	3	1	3	371
18-44	61	25	2	4	1	8	332
45-64	75	17	2	2	1	3	261
65+	84	12	0	2	1	1	133
Men 18-44	52	30	3	2	0	14	157
Men 45+	77	15	2	3	0	2	198
Women 18-44	69	20	2	6	2	2	175
Women 45+	79	15	1	0	1	3	197
Ethnicity - White	75	17	2	1	1	4	590
Ethnicity - Afr. Am.	55	26	4	1	0	13	75
Ethnicity - Hispanic	41	39	4	11	0	5	77
Ethnicity - Other	60	26	2	10	0	2	30
Republican	78	15	1	4	1	1	276
Democrat	63	29	2	4	0	3	211
Independent	67	16	3	1	1	12	240
Urban	45	29	4	8	0	14	157
Suburban	74	20	2	2	0	2	296
Rural	80	13	1	1	2	3	273

14: Now, I would like you to read some names of different people and organizations. For each one, please select whether you have a favorable or unfavorable impression of that person or group. If you have no opinion or have never heard of the person or organization, please indicate that.

The Internal Revenue Service, or IRS

	Very Favorable	Somewhat Favorable	Somewhat Unfavor- able	Very Un- favorable	Never Heard Of	Heard Of, No Opinion	N
Likely Voters	5	19	29	34	1	12	726
Male	3	23	23	44	0	8	355
Female	6	15	35	25	2	17	371
18-44	7	22	29	20	1	21	332
45-64	4	15	30	44	2	5	261
65+	1	17	26	53	0	3	133
Men 18-44	6	33	22	26	0	13	157
Men 45+	1	15	23	58	0	3	198
Women 18-44	7	12	35	14	3	29	175
Women 45+	6	18	34	35	2	6	197
Ethnicity - White	2	17	31	36	1	12	590
Ethnicity - Afr. Am.	12	11	25	29	4	18	75
Ethnicity - Hispanic	10	43	21	8	0	18	77
Ethnicity - Other	13	30	6	45	1	5	30
Republican	2	15	31	46	1	6	276
Democrat	11	26	28	19	1	16	211
Independent	3	17	27	35	2	16	240
Urban	8	20	25	26	2	19	157
Suburban	5	20	31	36	0	8	296
Rural	3	17	28	37	2	13	273

(Question 15 held for release)

16: Do you think boosting the minimum wage will help the U.S. economy, hurt the U.S. economy, or have no difference on the U.S. economy?

	Help the U.S. economy	Hurt the U.S. economy	Have no impact on the U.S. economy	N
Likely Voters	42	38	19	726
Male	43	39	18	355
Female	42	37	21	371
18-44	49	30	21	332
45-64	43	39	17	261
65+	25	56	19	133
Men 18-44	60	21	19	157
Men 45+	30	54	17	198
Women 18-44	39	39	22	175
Women 45+	44	36	19	197
Ethnicity - White	38	41	20	590
Ethnicity - Afr. Am.	65	26	9	75
Ethnicity - Hispanic	54	20	25	77
Ethnicity - Other	40	44	17	30
Republican	28	55	16	276
Democrat	68	17	15	211
Independent	37	38	26	240
Urban	43	28	30	157
Suburban	46	37	17	296
Rural	39	46	16	273

(Questions 17-18 held for release)

19: As you may be aware, it was revealed last year that the IRS targeted conservative political groups for greater scrutiny of their applications for tax-exempt status. President Obama stated that there was not 'a smidgeon of corruption' behind the IRSs targeting of conservative groups. Do you believe the President that there was no corruption behind the targeting of conservative groups?

	Yes, believe him	No, dont believe him	Dont Know / No Opinion	N
Likely Voters	17	63	20	726
Male	20	63	17	355
Female	14	63	24	371
18-44	23	54	23	332
45-64	12	64	23	261
65+	10	81	9	133
Men 18-44	29	51	20	157
Men 45+	13	72	15	198
Women 18-44	18	57	25	175
Women 45+	11	68	22	197
Ethnicity - White	12	69	19	590
Ethnicity - Afr. Am.	36	26	38	75
Ethnicity - Hispanic	32	59	10	77
Ethnicity - Other	28	61	11	30
Republican	2	89	9	276
Democrat	40	24	36	211
Independent	13	67	20	240
Urban	22	61	17	157
Suburban	18	63	19	296
Rural	12	64	24	273

20: Do you approve or disapprove of the job Barack Obama is doing on handling energy situation in America?

	Strongly approve	Somewhat approve	Somewhat disapprove	Strongly disapprove	Dont Know / No Opinion	N
Likely Voters	7	25	15	41	13	726
Male	8	23	15	44	9	355
Female	6	26	15	37	16	371
18-44	7	34	11	28	19	332
45-64	7	19	20	44	10	261
65+	6	13	15	64	2	133
Men 18-44	10	33	11	30	16	157
Men 45+	6	16	18	56	4	198
Women 18-44	5	35	11	26	23	175
Women 45+	7	18	19	46	10	197
Ethnicity - White	4	20	17	47	12	590
Ethnicity - Afr. Am.	21	43	2	15	19	75
Ethnicity - Hispanic	3	70	9	7	10	77
Ethnicity - Other	20	8	31	25	16	30
Republican	1	6	17	67	8	276
Democrat	17	47	10	7	18	211
Independent	4	26	17	39	13	240
Urban	8	32	16	26	17	157
Suburban	6	27	14	40	13	296
Rural	7	19	15	49	10	273

21: President Obama and Democrats are deciding whether to build the Keystone X-L pipeline to carry oil from Canada to the United States. Supporters of the pipeline say it will create jobs and ease America's dependence on oil from other foreign countries. Opponents say there are significant environmental risks to building the pipeline. What about you—do you support or oppose building the Keystone X-L pipeline?

	Support building the pipeline	Oppose building the pipeline	DK/ Refused	N
Likely Voters	67	16	17	726
Male	74	14	12	355
Female	61	17	21	371
18-44	60	18	22	332
45-64	70	15	15	261
65+	81	11	8	133
Men 18-44	63	18	19	157
Men 45+	82	11	7	198
Women 18-44	56	18	25	175
Women 45+	66	17	18	197
Ethnicity - White	67	16	17	590
Ethnicity - Afr. Am.	56	16	28	75
Ethnicity - Hispanic	74	18	7	77
Ethnicity - Other	69	21	10	30
Republican	79	5	16	276
Democrat	58	24	18	211
Independent	63	21	16	240
Urban	66	16	17	157
Suburban	72	13	15	296
Rural	63	18	19	273

(Questions 22-27 held for release)

28: Do you think that the federal government is currently doing enough to support military veterans, are they doing too much to support military veterans, or do you think more needs to be done to support military veterans?

	Doing enough to support military veterans	Doing too much to support veterans	Need to do more to support military veterans	Dont Know	N
Likely Voters	10	7	74	8	726
Male	10	10	71	8	355
Female	11	4	76	8	371
18-44	14	13	61	13	332
45-64	9	3	81	6	261
65+	4	2	93	2	133
Men 18-44	13	19	50	18	157
Men 45+	8	3	88	1	198
Women 18-44	15	7	70	8	175
Women 45+	7	2	82	8	197
Ethnicity - White	11	3	78	9	590
Ethnicity - Afr. Am.	11	4	73	13	75
Ethnicity - Hispanic	15	38	47	0	77
Ethnicity - Other	11	30	55	5	30
Republican	8	4	81	7	276
Democrat	13	12	67	8	211
Independent	10	7	73	10	240
Urban	16	12	60	12	157
Suburban	12	11	72	4	296
Rural	5	1	83	11	273

29: On average, military veterans wait more than 150 days to receive medical benefits. And recently, it was discovered that a Veterans Affairs Department hospital in Phoenix tried to cover up delays in service for more than 1,400 sick veterans, including some who died while waiting for care. As Commander-In-Chief, do you believe President Obama bears responsibility to ensure these military veterans receive care in a much quicker fashion?

	Yes, he bears responsibility	No, he does not bear responsibility	Dont Know	N
Likely Voters	71	15	14	725
Male	73	15	12	355
Female	70	14	16	371
18-44	62	20	18	331
45-64	77	10	12	261
65+	82	11	7	133
Men 18-44	61	21	18	157
Men 45+	82	11	7	198
Women 18-44	63	19	18	174
Women 45+	76	10	15	197
Ethnicity - White	74	13	13	590
Ethnicity - Afr. Am.	55	24	20	75
Ethnicity - Hispanic	64	15	22	77
Ethnicity - Other	75	16	9	30
Republican	86	7	7	276
Democrat	58	29	13	210
Independent	66	11	23	240
Urban	64	15	21	156
Suburban	73	17	10	296
Rural	73	13	14	273