

Omnibus Poll

August 1 - 2, 2013



1.

Which of the following comes closer to your views?

	Gender		Age				Party ID			Voter Registration		
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Registered	Not registered
Anyone with talent who is willing to work hard and put the effort in can have a successful career and rise to the top, regardless of their background	58%	59%	57%	45%	62%	61%	65%	47%	54%	82%	59%	55%
Success in America today is mostly reserved for those from privileged backgrounds who know the right people; talented people from poor backgrounds don't have a chance	23%	24%	22%	34%	20%	21%	18%	34%	23%	7%	24%	17%
Neither	10%	11%	9%	8%	9%	11%	11%	10%	12%	6%	11%	5%
Not sure	9%	6%	12%	14%	9%	7%	7%	9%	11%	6%	7%	24%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (1,000)	100% (463)	100% (537)	100% (190)	100% (287)	100% (358)	100% (165)	100% (329)	100% (428)	100% (243)	100% (892)	100% (108)

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	Total	Race			Education					Region			
		White	Black	Hispanic	Less than high school	High school	Some college	College grad	Post grad	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Anyone with talent who is willing to work hard and put the effort in can have a successful career and rise to the top, regardless of their background	58%	61%	49%	52%	48%	64%	60%	57%	51%	51%	64%	59%	56%
Success in America today is mostly reserved for those from privileged backgrounds who know the right people; talented people from poor backgrounds don't have a chance	23%	22%	31%	23%	32%	20%	22%	21%	26%	26%	18%	26%	21%
Neither	10%	10%	11%	10%	2%	6%	10%	18%	18%	14%	8%	7%	13%
Not sure	9%	8%	9%	15%	18%	10%	8%	4%	5%	10%	10%	7%	9%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1,000)	(798)	(98)	(104)	(37)	(347)	(339)	(185)	(92)	(152)	(196)	(363)	(289)

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2.

Thinking about social mobility in America today (the opportunities that people from poor backgrounds have to rise), do you think American society has become more or less mobile in recent decades?

	Gender		Age				Party ID			Voter Registration		
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Registered	Not registered
Society has become more mobile - people from poor backgrounds have more opportunities to rise than they did in the past	44%	45%	43%	27%	43%	49%	57%	32%	40%	69%	45%	37%
Society has become less mobile - people from poor backgrounds have less opportunities to rise than they did in the past	29%	34%	25%	35%	29%	29%	24%	40%	29%	14%	31%	19%
About the same	17%	13%	20%	12%	22%	16%	16%	18%	17%	14%	17%	15%
Not sure	10%	8%	12%	26%	7%	6%	3%	10%	13%	3%	7%	30%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (1,000)	100% (463)	100% (537)	100% (190)	100% (287)	100% (358)	100% (165)	100% (329)	100% (428)	100% (243)	100% (892)	100% (108)

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Society has become more mobile - people from poor backgrounds have more opportunities to rise than they did in the past	44%	47%	36%	34%	43%	48%	44%	42%	38%	41%	46%	46%	41%
Society has become less mobile - people from poor backgrounds have less opportunities to rise than they did in the past	29%	29%	32%	27%	24%	22%	29%	39%	43%	31%	29%	27%	31%
About the same	17%	16%	17%	21%	16%	20%	15%	17%	15%	20%	18%	15%	15%
Not sure	10%	7%	15%	18%	17%	11%	12%	2%	4%	8%	7%	11%	13%
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3.

Do you think that the American Dream has become impossible for most people to achieve?

	Gender			Age				Party ID			Voter Registration	
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Registered	Not registered
Yes	41%	38%	44%	40%	44%	46%	29%	53%	39%	27%	43%	29%
No	38%	41%	35%	31%	36%	37%	52%	27%	38%	55%	38%	40%
Not sure	21%	21%	21%	29%	20%	18%	19%	20%	24%	18%	20%	31%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
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	Race				Education					Region			
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Less than high school	High school	Some college	College grad	Post grad	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Yes	41%	41%	44%	39%	46%	43%	37%	43%	37%	43%	34%	41%	46%
No	38%	39%	34%	35%	25%	37%	43%	40%	41%	28%	42%	42%	35%
Not sure	21%	20%	22%	26%	28%	21%	20%	17%	21%	29%	24%	16%	19%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
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4.

Do you think that the gap between the rich and poor is increasing or decreasing in the U.S.?

	Gender			Age				Party ID			Voter Registration	
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Registered	Not registered
Increasing	64%	72%	56%	56%	65%	69%	62%	72%	62%	56%	67%	40%
Staying about the same	23%	18%	28%	22%	22%	21%	30%	18%	22%	32%	22%	31%
Decreasing	4%	4%	4%	5%	5%	4%	3%	4%	3%	7%	4%	5%
Not sure	9%	6%	12%	18%	8%	7%	5%	7%	14%	5%	7%	24%
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	Total	Race			Education					Region			
		White	Black	Hispanic	Less than high school	High school	Some college	College grad	Post grad	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Increasing	64%	64%	72%	57%	47%	58%	66%	74%	76%	69%	57%	63%	68%
Staying about the same	23%	24%	21%	21%	33%	28%	20%	15%	15%	17%	31%	24%	18%
Decreasing	4%	5%	1%	4%	5%	3%	4%	5%	5%	4%	4%	5%	3%
Not sure	9%	8%	7%	18%	15%	10%	9%	6%	4%	10%	9%	8%	11%
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5.

Do you think the government should . . .

	Gender		Age				Party ID			Voter Registration		
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See to it that every person has a job and a good standard of living	37%	35%	38%	44%	44%	32%	27%	61%	33%	10%	37%	38%
Let people get ahead on their own	45%	49%	42%	29%	41%	52%	61%	19%	47%	81%	47%	31%
Not sure	18%	16%	20%	27%	16%	17%	11%	20%	21%	9%	16%	31%
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See to it that every person has a job and a good standard of living	37%	31%	61%	45%	44%	35%	36%	36%	37%	44%	34%	36%	36%
Let people get ahead on their own	45%	51%	23%	35%	38%	46%	45%	50%	45%	36%	51%	49%	41%
Not sure	18%	18%	16%	21%	18%	18%	19%	14%	18%	20%	16%	15%	23%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (1,000)	100% (798)	100% (98)	100% (104)	100% (37)	100% (347)	100% (339)	100% (185)	100% (92)	100% (152)	100% (196)	100% (363)	100% (289)