



The study was conducted for CNN via telephone by SSRS, an independent research company. Interviews were conducted from **January 10 to January 11, 2019** among a sample of **848** respondents. The landline total respondents were **303** and there were **545** cell phone respondents. The margin of sampling error for total respondents is +/-4.1 at the 95% confidence level. The design effect is 1.46. More information about SSRS can be obtained by visiting [www.ssrs.com](http://www.ssrs.com). Unless otherwise noted, results beginning with the March 31-April 2, 2006 survey and ending with the April 22-25, 2017 survey are from surveys conducted by ORC International. Results before March 31, 2006 are from surveys conducted by Gallup.

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 Sunday, January 13 at 9:00 a.m.**

Q1. (A1) Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as president?

	Approve	Disapprove	No opinion
January 10-11, 2019	37%	57%	7%
December 06-09, 2018	39%	52%	9%
November 01-03, 2018	39%	55%	6%
October 04-07, 2018	41%	52%	7%
September 06-09, 2018	36%	58%	6%
August 09-12, 2018	42%	53%	5%
June 14-17, 2018	39%	54%	7%
May 02-05, 2018	41%	53%	6%
March 22-25, 2018	42%	54%	5%
February 20-23, 2018	35%	58%	7%
January 14-18, 2018	40%	55%	5%
December 14-17, 2017	35%	59%	6%
November 02-05, 2017	36%	58%	6%
October 12-15, 2017	37%	57%	6%
September 26-28, 2017	37%	56%	7%
September 17-20, 2017	40%	55%	5%
August 03-06, 2017	38%	56%	5%
April 22-25, 2017	44%	54%	2%
March 01-04, 2017	45%	52%	3%
January 31-Feb. 02, 2017	44%	53%	3%



Q2. Would you favor or oppose building a wall along the entire border with Mexico?

	Favor	Oppose	No opinion
January 10-11, 2019	39%	56%	5%
December 06-09, 2018	38%	57%	4%
January 14-18, 2018	35%	62%	3%
September 17-20, 2017	33%	63%	3%
Jan. 31-Feb. 02, 2017	38%	60%	1%
September 01-04, 2016	41%	58%	1%
September 04-08, 2015**	52%	47%	1%

\*\*QUESTION WORDING PRIOR TO SEPTEMBER 2016: Would you favor or oppose building a fence along the entire border with Mexico?

CNN/ORC TRENDS FOR COMPARISON

	Favor	Oppose	No opinion
2006 Jun 8-11	45%	50%	5%

*QUESTION WORDING:* Would you favor or oppose each of the following proposals: Building a fence along the 2,000-mile border with Mexico

Q3. Who do you think is more responsible for the government shutdown?

	Donald Trump	The Democrats in Congress	Both (vol.)	Neither (vol.)	No opinion
January 10-11, 2019	55%	32%	9%	1%	3%

CNN/ORC TRENDS FOR COMPARISON

	Obama	Republicans in Congress	Both (vol.)	Neither (vol.)	No opinion
<b>Barack Obama</b>					
2013 Oct 18-20	34%	52%	13%	1%	1%

*QUESTION WORDING:* Who do you think was more responsible for the recent government shutdown -- Barack Obama or the Republicans in Congress?

CNN/ORC TRENDS FOR COMPARISON

	Obama	Republicans in Congress	Both (vol.)	Neither (vol.)	No opinion
<b>Barack Obama</b>					
2013 Sep 27-29	36%	46%	13%	2%	2%
2013 Sep 06-08	33%	51%	12%	3%	1%
2013 Mar 15-17	38%	40%	19%	2%	1%
2011 Sep 23-25	33%	47%	17%	1%	2%
2011 Mar 11-13	37%	46%	14%	1%	2%

*QUESTION WORDING:* If the federal government shuts down, do you think that Barack Obama or the Republicans in Congress would be more responsible for that?



Q4. Thinking about the current situation at the border between the United States and Mexico, do you consider the situation at the border to be a crisis, or not?

	Yes, it is a crisis	No, it is not a crisis	No opinion
January 10-11, 2019	45%	52%	4%

**(Respondents who consider the current situation at the U.S./Mexico border to be a crisis, N=394)**

Q5. Do you think that building a wall along the entire border with Mexico would help solve the crisis, would make the crisis worse, or would it not have any effect on it?

	Help solve the crisis	Make the crisis worse	Not have any effect	No opinion
January 10-11, 2019	69%	17%	12%	1%

Q4/Q5 COMBO TABLE

	Yes, it is a crisis NET	Crisis, wall will help	Crisis, wall will make worse	Crisis, wall will have no effect	Crisis, no opinion on wall's effect	No, it is not a crisis NET	No opinion
January 10-11, 2019	45%	31%	8%	5%	1%	52%	4%



## MORE ON METHODOLOGY

A total of **848** adults were interviewed by telephone nationwide by live interviewers calling both landline and cell phones. Interviews were conducted in English and Spanish. Among the entire sample, **31%** described themselves as Democrats, **23%** described themselves as Republicans, and **46%** described themselves as independents or members of another party.

All respondents were asked questions concerning basic demographics, and the entire sample was weighted to reflect national Census figures for gender, race, age, education, region of country, and telephone usage.

Results for the full sample have a margin of sampling error of +/- **4.1** percentage points.

Crosstabs on the following pages only include results for subgroups with enough unweighted cases to produce a sampling error of +/-8.5 percentage points or less once adjusted for design effect. Some subgroups represent too small a share of the national population to produce crosstabs with an acceptable sampling error. Interviews were conducted among these subgroups, but results for groups with a design-effect adjusted sampling error larger than +/-8.5 percentage points are not displayed and instead are denoted with "N/A".



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TABLE 001

Question A1

A1. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as president?

Base: Total Respondents

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-white	Trump approve	Trump disapprove
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Approve	37%	45%	29%	41%	29%	100%	0%
Disapprove	57%	47%	65%	52%	64%	0%	100%
Don't know/Undecided/Refused	7%	8%	6%	7%	8%	0%	0%
Sampling Error (+/-)	4.1	5.1	6.3	5.1	7.0	6.3	5.7

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	<45	45+
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Approve	37%	N/A	N/A	47%	38%	29%	42%
Disapprove	57%	N/A	N/A	49%	57%	62%	52%
Don't know/Undecided/Refused	7%	N/A	N/A	4%	5%	8%	6%
Sampling Error (+/-)	4.1			7.3	7.1	6.9	4.8

	Total	Non-coll. grad	Coll. grad.	White non-coll.	White coll. grad.
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Approve	37%	39%	31%	45%	32%
Disapprove	57%	54%	63%	47%	64%
Don't know/Undecided/Refused	7%	7%	6%	8%	5%
Sampling Error (+/-)	4.1	5.3	6.0	6.8	7.2

	Total	Democrat	Indep endnt Other	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Approve	37%	6%	36%	81%	N/A	33%	69%
Disapprove	57%	92%	54%	16%	N/A	60%	27%
Don't know/Undecided/Refused	7%	2%	9%	4%	N/A	7%	5%
Sampling Error (+/-)	4.1	8.0	6.0	7.9		6.0	7.6

	Total	Lean Democrat	Lean Republican
	=====	=====	=====
Approve	37%	5%	75%
Disapprove	57%	92%	18%
Don't know/Undecided/Refused	7%	3%	7%
Sampling Error (+/-)	4.1	6.1	6.0



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TABLE 002

Question 2

2. Would you favor or oppose building a wall along the entire border with Mexico?

Base: Total Respondents

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-white	Trump approve	Trump disapprove
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Favor	39%	48%	31%	45%	29%	92%	6%
Oppose	56%	46%	65%	51%	64%	5%	90%
Don't know/Undecided/Refused	5%	6%	4%	4%	7%	3%	4%
Sampling Error (+/-)	4.1	5.1	6.3	5.1	7.0	6.3	5.7

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	<45	45+
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Favor	39%	N/A	N/A	51%	39%	32%	45%
Oppose	56%	N/A	N/A	46%	55%	63%	51%
Don't know/Undecided/Refused	5%	N/A	N/A	3%	5%	6%	4%
Sampling Error (+/-)	4.1			7.3	7.1	6.9	4.8

	Total	Non-coll. grad	Coll. grad.	White non-coll.	White coll. grad.
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Favor	39%	42%	33%	51%	33%
Oppose	56%	53%	63%	46%	63%
Don't know/Undecided/Refused	5%	5%	5%	3%	5%
Sampling Error (+/-)	4.1	5.3	6.0	6.8	7.2

	Total	Democrat	Indep endnt Other	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Favor	39%	8%	39%	81%	N/A	36%	70%
Oppose	56%	89%	55%	13%	N/A	59%	23%
Don't know/Undecided/Refused	5%	3%	5%	6%	N/A	5%	6%
Sampling Error (+/-)	4.1	8.0	6.0	7.9		6.0	7.6

	Total	Lean Democrat	Lean Republican
	=====	=====	=====
Favor	39%	7%	77%
Oppose	56%	90%	17%
Don't know/Undecided/Refused	5%	3%	6%
Sampling Error (+/-)	4.1	6.1	6.0



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TABLE 003  
 Question 3  
 3. Who do you think is more responsible for the government shutdown --  
 Base: Total Respondents

	Total =====	Men =====	Women =====	White =====	Non- white =====	Trump ap- prove =====	Trump disap- prove =====
Donald Trump	55%	46%	63%	51%	61%	9%	88%
The Democrats in Congress	32%	39%	26%	35%	28%	77%	5%
Both	9%	11%	7%	10%	8%	10%	6%
Neither	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	*
Don't know/Undecided/Refused	3%	2%	3%	3%	2%	3%	*
Sampling Error (+/-)	4.1	5.1	6.3	5.1	7.0	6.3	5.7

	Total =====	18-34 =====	35-49 =====	50-64 =====	65+ =====	<45 =====	45+ =====
Donald Trump	55%	N/A	N/A	48%	57%	59%	52%
The Democrats in Congress	32%	N/A	N/A	42%	32%	25%	38%
Both	9%	N/A	N/A	8%	8%	12%	7%
Neither	1%	N/A	N/A	1%	1%	1%	1%
Don't know/Undecided/Refused	3%	N/A	N/A	1%	3%	3%	2%
Sampling Error (+/-)	4.1			7.3	7.1	6.9	4.8

	Total =====	Non- coll. grad =====	Coll. grad. =====	White non- coll. grad. =====	White coll. grad. =====
Donald Trump	55%	52%	62%	45%	63%
The Democrats in Congress	32%	34%	28%	39%	26%
Both	9%	10%	7%	11%	8%
Neither	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%
Don't know/Undecided/Refused	3%	4%	1%	4%	1%
Sampling Error (+/-)	4.1	5.3	6.0	6.8	7.2

	Total =====	Demo- crat =====	Indep endnt Other =====	Repub lican =====	Lib- eral =====	Mode- rate =====	Con serva tive =====
Donald Trump	55%	89%	48%	23%	N/A	57%	26%
The Democrats in Congress	32%	6%	34%	65%	N/A	30%	60%
Both	9%	3%	14%	9%	N/A	10%	10%
Neither	1%	0%	2%	1%	N/A	1%	1%
Don't know/Undecided/Refused	3%	1%	2%	2%	N/A	2%	4%
Sampling Error (+/-)	4.1	8.0	6.0	7.9		6.0	7.6

	Total =====	Lean Demo- crat =====	Lean Repub lican =====
Donald Trump	55%	86%	20%
The Democrats in Congress	32%	8%	63%
Both	9%	5%	11%
Neither	1%	0%	2%
Don't know/Undecided/Refused	3%	1%	3%
Sampling Error (+/-)	4.1	6.1	6.0



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TABLE 006  
 Question 4

4. Thinking about the current situation at the border between the United States and Mexico, do you consider the situation at the border to be a crisis, or not?  
 Base: Total Respondents

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-white	Trump approve	Trump disapprove
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Yes, it is a crisis	45%	45%	45%	47%	41%	79%	24%
No, it is NOT a crisis	52%	52%	51%	50%	55%	19%	74%
Don't know/Undecided/Refused	4%	3%	4%	3%	4%	3%	2%
Sampling Error (+/-)	4.1	5.1	6.3	5.1	7.0	6.3	5.7

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	<45	45+
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Yes, it is a crisis	45%	N/A	N/A	54%	43%	41%	48%
No, it is NOT a crisis	52%	N/A	N/A	45%	54%	55%	49%
Don't know/Undecided/Refused	4%	N/A	N/A	1%	4%	4%	3%
Sampling Error (+/-)	4.1			7.3	7.1	6.9	4.8

	Total	Non-coll. grad	Coll. grad	White non-coll.	White coll.
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Yes, it is a crisis	45%	46%	42%	51%	39%
No, it is NOT a crisis	52%	51%	54%	46%	57%
Don't know/Undecided/Refused	4%	4%	4%	3%	4%
Sampling Error (+/-)	4.1	5.3	6.0	6.8	7.2

	Total	Democrat	Indep endnt Other	Repub lican	Lib-eral	Mode-rate	Con serva-tive
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Yes, it is a crisis	45%	23%	47%	71%	N/A	41%	73%
No, it is NOT a crisis	52%	74%	50%	25%	N/A	54%	25%
Don't know/Undecided/Refused	4%	3%	3%	4%	N/A	5%	2%
Sampling Error (+/-)	4.1	8.0	6.0	7.9		6.0	7.6

	Total	Lean Democat	Lean Repub lican
	=====	=====	=====
Yes, it is a crisis	45%	23%	71%
No, it is NOT a crisis	52%	75%	24%
Don't know/Undecided/Refused	4%	3%	4%
Sampling Error (+/-)	4.1	6.1	6.0





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TABLE 008

Question 4/5 Combo Table

4. Thinking about the current situation at the border between the United States and Mexico, do you consider the situation at the border to be a crisis, or not?

5. Do you think that building a wall along the entire border with Mexico would help solve the crisis, would make the crisis worse, or would it not have any effect on it?

Base: Total Respondents

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-white	Trump approve	Trump disapprove
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Yes, situation at the border is a crisis (Net)....	45%	45%	45%	47%	41%	79%	24%
Building a wall would help solve the crisis	31%	35%	27%	36%	21%	75%	3%
Building a wall would make the crisis worse	8%	5%	11%	6%	11%	2%	12%
Building a wall would not have any effect	5%	4%	7%	4%	8%	2%	8%
Don't know/Undecided/Refused	1%	*	1%	1%	1%	*	1%
No, situation at border is NOT a crisis .....	52%	52%	51%	50%	55%	19%	74%
Don't know/Undecided/Refused	4%	3%	4%	3%	4%	3%	2%
Sampling Error (+/-)	4.1	5.1	6.3	5.1	7.0	6.3	5.7

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	<45	45+
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Yes, situation at the border is a crisis (Net)....	45%	N/A	N/A	54%	43%	41%	48%
Building a wall would help solve the crisis	31%	N/A	N/A	44%	32%	23%	38%
Building a wall would make the crisis worse	8%	N/A	N/A	5%	3%	12%	4%
Building a wall would not have any effect	5%	N/A	N/A	3%	6%	6%	5%
Don't know/Undecided/Refused	1%	N/A	N/A	1%	2%	*	1%
No, situation at border is NOT a crisis .....	52%	N/A	N/A	45%	54%	55%	49%
Don't know/Undecided/Refused	4%	N/A	N/A	1%	4%	4%	3%
Sampling Error (+/-)	4.1			7.3	7.1	6.9	4.8

	Total	Non-coll. grad	Coll. grad.	White non-coll.	White coll. grad.
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Yes, situation at the border is a crisis (Net)....	45%	46%	42%	51%	39%
Building a wall would help solve the crisis	31%	32%	28%	40%	29%
Building a wall would make the crisis worse	8%	8%	7%	6%	5%
Building a wall would not have any effect	5%	5%	6%	4%	4%
Don't know/Undecided/Refused	1%	1%	1%	*	1%
No, situation at border is NOT a crisis .....	52%	51%	54%	46%	57%
Don't know/Undecided/Refused	4%	4%	4%	3%	4%
Sampling Error (+/-)	4.1	5.3	6.0	6.8	7.2

	Total	Democrat	Indep Other	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Yes, situation at the border is a crisis (Net)....	45%	23%	47%	71%	N/A	41%	73%
Building a wall would help solve the crisis	31%	4%	31%	66%	N/A	28%	60%
Building a wall would make the crisis worse	8%	9%	11%	2%	N/A	8%	5%
Building a wall would not have any effect	5%	9%	4%	3%	N/A	4%	8%
Don't know/Undecided/Refused	1%	1%	*	*	N/A	1%	*
No, situation at border is NOT a crisis .....	52%	74%	50%	25%	N/A	54%	25%
Don't know/Undecided/Refused	4%	3%	3%	4%	N/A	5%	2%
Sampling Error (+/-)	4.1	8.0	6.0	7.9		6.0	7.6

	Total	Lean Democrat	Lean Republican
	=====	=====	=====
Yes, situation at the border is a crisis (Net)....	45%	23%	71%
Building a wall would help solve the crisis	31%	5%	63%
Building a wall would make the crisis worse	8%	10%	4%
Building a wall would not have any effect	5%	7%	4%
Don't know/Undecided/Refused	1%	1%	*
No, situation at border is NOT a crisis .....	52%	75%	24%
Don't know/Undecided/Refused	4%	3%	4%
Sampling Error (+/-)	4.1	6.1	6.0