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The March 2017 AP-NORC Center Poll

Partial topline, some questions held for future release

**Conducted by The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research
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Interviews: 3/23-27/2017

1,110 adults

Margin of error: +/- 4.0 percentage points at the 95% confidence level among all adults

NOTE: All results show percentages among all respondents, unless otherwise labeled.

RUS1. Moving on...

How important to you personally is Donald Trump’s relationship with Russia?

	AP-NORC 3/23-27/2017
Extremely/very important NET	42
Extremely important	24
Very important	18
Moderately important	19
Slightly/not at all important NET	37
Slightly important	15
Not at all important	23
DON’T KNOW	*
SKIP/REFUSED	2

N=

1,110

RUS2. How concerned are you about the possibility that Donald Trump or others involved with his campaign had inappropriate contacts with the Russian government during last year’s presidential campaign?

	AP-NORC 3/23-27/2017
Extremely/very concerned NET	44
Extremely concerned	27
Very concerned	17
Moderately concerned	18
Not very concerned/not at all concerned NET	36
Not very concerned	19
Not at all concerned	18
DON’T KNOW	*
SKIP/REFUSED	1

N=

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RUS3. Based on what you've heard, do you favor or oppose an independent investigation into each of the following?

[ITEMS RANDOMIZED]

AP-NORC 3/23-27/2017	Strongly/ somewhat favor NET	Strongly favor	Somewhat favor	Neither favor nor oppose	Somewhat/ strongly oppose NET	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	DK	SKP/ REF
Whether the Trump campaign had inappropriate contacts with the Russian government	52	38	14	22	23	9	14	*	2
Donald Trump's accusation that Barack Obama wiretapped his phones during last year's campaign	35	24	11	25	38	9	29	*	2
Whether the Russian government attempted to influence the outcome of last year's election	52	39	13	22	24	10	14	*	1

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RUS4. When it comes to Donald Trump's relationship with Russia, do you think each of the following has been too critical, mostly fair, or not critical enough?

[ITEMS RANDOMIZED]

AP-NORC 3/23-27/2017	Too critical	Mostly fair	Not critical enough	DK	SKP/REF
The media	42	31	24	1	2
Democrats in Congress	40	29	27	1	3
U.S. intelligence agencies	20	42	35	1	3
Republicans in Congress	17	34	45	1	3

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PID1. Do you consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, an independent or none of these?

If Democrat in PID1

PIDa. Do you consider yourself a strong Democrat or a moderate Democrat?

If Republican in PID1

PIDb. Do you consider yourself a strong Republican or a moderate Republican?

If Independent, None of these, or Don't Know/Skip/Refused in PID1

PIDi. Do you lean more toward the Democrats or the Republicans?

	AP-NORC 3/23-27/2017
Democrat NET	44
Strong Democrat	14
Moderate Democrat	18
Lean Democrat	12
Independent/None – Don't lean	17
Republican NET	37
Lean Republican	12
Moderate Republican	16
Strong Republican	10
Unknown	1
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G11B. Generally speaking, do you consider yourself a...?

	AP-NORC 3/23-27/2017
Liberal	21
Conservative	31
Moderate	44
DON'T KNOW	1
SKIP/REFUSED	3
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DM5. Which one of the following best describes where you live?

	AP-NORC 3/23-27/2017
Urban area	26
Suburban area	47
Rural area	25
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIP/REFUSED	1

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AGE

	AP-NORC 3/23-27/2017
18-24	12
25-34	18
35-44	17
45-54	15
55-64	18
65-74	13
75+	6

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GENDER

	AP-NORC 3/23-27/2017
Male	48
Female	52

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RACE/ETHNICITY

	AP-NORC 3/23-27/2017
White	64
Black or African American	12
Hispanic	16
Other	8

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MARITAL STATUS

	AP-NORC 3/23-27/2017
Married	49
Widowed	5
Divorced	12
Separated	2
Never married	25
Living with partner	7

N=

1,110

EMPLOYMENT STATUS

	AP-NORC 3/23-27/2017
Employed	56
Not employed	44

N=

1,110

EDUCATION

	AP-NORC 3/23-27/2017
Less than a high school diploma	12
High school graduate or equivalent	29
Some college	34
College graduate or above	25

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INCOME

	AP-NORC 3/23-27/2017
Under \$10,000	7
\$10,000 to under \$20,000	8
\$20,000 to under \$30,000	10
\$30,000 to under \$40,000	10
\$40,000 to under \$50,000	9
\$50,000 to under \$75,000	20
\$75,000 to under \$100,000	14
\$100,000 to under \$150,000	13
\$150,000 or more	8

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Study Methodology

This survey was conducted by The Associated Press NORC Center for Public Affairs Research and with funding from The Associated Press and NORC at the University of Chicago. Data were collected using AmeriSpeak®, NORC's probability-based panel designed to be representative of the U.S. household population. During the initial recruitment phase of the panel, randomly selected U.S. households were sampled with a known, non-zero probability of selection from the NORC National Sample Frame and then contacted by U.S. mail, email, telephone, and field interviewers (face to face).

Interviews for this survey were conducted between March 23 and 27, 2017, with adults age 18 and over representing the 50 states and the District of Columbia. Panel members were randomly drawn from AmeriSpeak, and 1,110 completed the survey—954 via the web and 156 via telephone. The final stage completion rate is 27.7 percent, the weighted household panel response rate is 34.4 percent, and the weighted household panel retention rate is 94.7 percent, for a cumulative response rate of 9.0 percent. The overall margin of sampling error is +/- 4.0 percentage points at the 95 percent confidence level, including the design effect. The margin of sampling error may be higher for subgroups.

Once the sample has been selected and fielded, and all the study data have been collected and made final, a poststratification process is used to adjust for any survey nonresponse as well as any noncoverage or under and oversampling resulting from the study specific sample design. Poststratification variables included age, gender, census division, race/ethnicity, and education. The weighted data reflect the U.S. population of adults age 18 and over.

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