

**PEW RESEARCH CENTER
DECEMBER 2016 POLITICAL SURVEY
FINAL TOPLINE
NOVEMBER 30-DECEMBER 5, 2016
N=1,502**

QUESTION 1, 11-14, 50a-b HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

QUESTION 2, 27, 35, 50c-d, 68-71, 83, 86, 88-89, 91-95 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

NO QUESTIONS 3-10, 15-26, 28-34, 36-49, 51-67, 72-82, 84-85, 87, 90

ASK ALL:

Next,

Q.Xa As you may know, the U.S. re-established diplomatic relations with Cuba last year. All in all, do you approve or disapprove of the U.S. re-establishing diplomatic relations with Cuba?

Dec 1-5 <u>2016</u> ¹		Jul 14-20 <u>2015</u> ²	Jan 7-11 <u>2015</u>
75	Approve	73	63
19	Disapprove	20	28
7	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	7	9

Q.Xa TRENDS FOR COMPARISON CONTINUED...

*Do you favor or oppose re-establishing U.S. diplomatic relations with Cuba?*³

	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>(VOL.) DK/Ref</u>
April, 2009 (<i>Gallup</i>)	60	30	11
Mar 9-12, 2009	52	33	15
February, 2008 (<i>Gallup</i>)	61	29	10
December, 2006 (<i>Gallup</i>)	67	27	6
March, 2004 (<i>Gallup</i>)	55	38	7
May, 2002 (<i>Gallup</i>)	55	37	8
October, 2000 (<i>Gallup</i>)	56	35	9
May, 2000 (<i>Gallup</i>)	57	36	7
May, 1999 (<i>Gallup</i>)	71	25	4
March, 1999 (<i>Gallup</i>)	67	27	6
April, 1996 (<i>Gallup</i>)	40	49	11
March, 1977 (<i>Gallup</i>)	53	32	15
October, 1974 (<i>Gallup</i>)	63	37	0

¹ Questions Xa-c asked December 1-5, N=1,146.

² In July 2015 and January 2015 surveys, question was worded: "All in all, do you approve or disapprove of the U.S. re-establishing diplomatic relations with Cuba?"

³ In March 2009 the question was asked as a list item: "All in all, do you strongly favor, favor, oppose or strongly oppose re-establishing U.S. diplomatic relations with Cuba?" In Oct. 2000, May 2000, May 1999 and April 1996 question was worded: "Suppose that on election day this year you could vote on key issues as well as candidates. Please tell me whether you would vote for or against each one of the following propositions. Would you vote - for or against re-establishing U.S. diplomatic relations with Cuba?" In March 1977, question was worded: "Do you think diplomatic relations with Cuba should or should not be re-established?" In October 1974 question was worded: "Suppose that on election day, Nov. 5, you could vote on key issues as well as candidates. Please tell me how you would vote on each of these 14 propositions. Diplomatic relations with Cuba should or should not be re-established?"

ASK ALL:

Q.Xb Would you favor or oppose the U.S. ending its trade embargo against Cuba, which would allow U.S. companies to do business in Cuba and Cuban companies to do business in the U.S.?

Dec 1-5 <u>2016</u>		Jul 14-20 <u>2015</u>	Jan 7-11 <u>2015</u>
73	Favor	72	66
20	Oppose	24	28
7	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	4	5

TRENDS FOR COMPARISON: *Apart from their diplomatic relations, do you favor or oppose the United States government ending its trade embargo against Cuba?*

	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>(VOL.) DK/Ref</u>
Apr 20-21, 2009 (<i>Gallup</i>)	51	36	13
May 20-22, 2002 (<i>Gallup</i>)	50	38	12
May 5-7, 2000 (<i>Gallup</i>) ⁴	48	42	10
May 7-9, 1999 (<i>Gallup</i>)	51	42	7
Mar 19-21, 1999 (<i>Gallup</i>)	51	39	10

ASK ALL:

Q.Xc Over the next several years, do you think Cuba will become more democratic, less democratic, or will it be about the same as it is now?

Dec 1-5 <u>2016</u>		Jul 14-20 <u>2015</u>	Jan 7-11 <u>2015</u>
42	More democratic	43	32
3	Less democratic	3	3
47	About the same as it is now	49	60
8	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	5	5

QUESTIONS 96-99, 101, 105-108, 115, 120, 124-126 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

NO QUESTIONS 100, 102-104, 109-114, 116-119, 121-123

⁴ In May 2000, May 1999 and March 1999 question was worded: "Suppose that on election day this year you could vote on key issues as well as candidates. Please tell me whether you would vote for or against each one of the following propositions. Would you vote – for or against ending the U.S. trade embargo with Cuba?"

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?

				(VOL.)	(VOL.)	(VOL.)	Lean	Lean
	<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>	<u>No preference</u>	<u>Other party</u>	<u>DK/Ref</u>	<u>Rep</u>	<u>Dem</u>
Nov 30-Dec 5, 2016	24	33	35	5	1	3	15	16
Oct 20-25, 2016	26	33	36	3	*	2	15	17
Aug 23-Sep 2, 2016	27	32	33	5	*	3	11	16
Aug 9-16, 2016	27	32	35	2	1	2	13	16
Jun 15-26, 2016	24	33	37	4	1	2	16	16
Apr 12-19, 2016	25	32	37	3	1	2	16	17
Mar 17-26, 2016	25	31	38	3	*	2	15	20
Jan 7-14, 2016	24	30	38	5	1	2	14	17
Dec 8-13, 2015	26	31	37	4	*	2	16	15
Yearly Totals								
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	--	--	--	--	--