

**S2. Are you currently registered to vote in [STATE]?**

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Yes.....	100%	100%
No.....	-	-
Not sure.....	-	-

**S3. As you may know, there will be an election for President, Congress, and other offices in 2020. It is a long time from now, but how likely are you to vote in the election in 2020?**

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Definitely.....	88%	91%
Probably.....	8	6
Chance 50-50.....	4	2
Probably not.....	-	-
Definitely not.....	-	-

**P1. When it comes to politics, do you generally think of yourself as a strong Democrat, not very strong Democrat, strong Republican, not very strong Republican, an independent, or some other political party? [IF INDEPENDENT/OTHER] Do you think of yourself as closer to the Democratic Party or the Republican Party?**

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Strong Democrat.....	27%	26%
Weak Democrat.....	13	14
Independent / Closer to the Democrats.....	6	6
Independent.....	12	10
Independent / Closer to the Republicans.....	7	7
Weak Republican.....	14	15
Strong Republican.....	21	21
DEMOCRAT (NET).....	40%	40
INDEPENDENT (NET).....	25	23
REPUBLICAN (NET).....	35	37
DEMOCRAT W/ LEANERS (NET).....	46%	46
REPUBLICAN W/ LEANERS (NET).....	42	44

**FT1. Since Donald Trump has become President, would you say that you are financially...**

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Much better off.....	15%	12%
Somewhat better off.....	20	26
No change.....	33	32
Somewhat worse off.....	17	17
Much worse off.....	14	13
BETTER (NET).....	35%	38
WORSE (NET).....	31	30

**FT2. Which of the following is the most important reason for the change in how you are doing financially?**

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Wages or income level.....	25%	25%
Amount of personal savings and investments.....	13	15
Employment status.....	10	10
Size of personal or family debts.....	9	9
Something else.....	7	6
Value of primary residence.....	3	4
<b>VOL:</b> (No change in financial situation).....	33%	32

FT3. Which of the following do you believe is the biggest threat to the United States economy?

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Disputes with major trading partners like China and Mexico .....	27%	25%
Rising health care costs .....	26	31
A potential slowdown in the global economy.....	13	12
Loss of high-paying jobs due to automation .....	10	6
A potential stock market downturn .....	8	9
Federal Reserve policy, including interest rate levels .....	7	7
Something else .....	10	9

FT4. Have President Trump's economic policies...

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Helped the economy - strongly.....	24%	23%
Helped the economy - somewhat .....	21	26
No impact.....	10	8
Hurt the economy - somewhat.....	20	20
Hurt the economy - strongly .....	25	23
HELPED (NET).....	45%	49
HURT (NET).....	45	44

FT5. When it comes to managing the national debt, would you say things in the United States are heading in the right direction, or do you think things are off on the wrong track?

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Right direction - Strongly .....	13%	15%
Right direction - Somewhat .....	24	25
Wrong track - Somewhat .....	27	25
Wrong track - Strongly.....	35	35
RIGHT DIRECTION (NET).....	37%	40
WRONG TRACK (NET).....	63	60

FT6. Which of the following is the most significant effect of the national debt on the United States economy?

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Could threaten programs like Social Security and Medicare .....	32%	34%
Harms economic growth and the future incomes of U.S. households .....	20	18
Interest on the debt limits resources available for other priorities (such as infrastructure, climate change, education, defense).....	16	19
Leaves government with less flexibility to respond to economic and other crises.....	9	6
Reliance on foreign lenders reduces our global power and influence .....	8	10
Undermines U.S. economic leadership role .....	6	6
Increases the risk of higher interest rates.....	6	5
Something else .....	2	2

FT7. Which of the following do you believe is the biggest obstacle to managing the national debt?

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Lack of leadership and political courage by elected officials.....	28%	29%
Politicians refusing to consider spending cuts.....	27	29
Partisanship in Washington .....	20	18
Lack of long-term planning .....	14	12
Politicians refusing to consider tax increases.....	7	7
Something else .....	4	5

**Q1.** As you may know, recent instability in the Middle East has led to an increase in oil prices and raised the chances that the United States could enter a new military conflict in the area. While there are many factors that are considered when determining whether or not the United States should enter a military conflict, how important of a factor should gas prices be?

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Very important factor .....	21%	21%
Somewhat important factor .....	33	37
Not that much of a factor .....	27	26
Not a factor at all.....	18	16
IMPORTANT (NET) .....	55%	58
NOT IMPORTANT (NET) .....	45	42

**Q2.** Some people say that a military conflict in the Middle East could cause the price of gas to increase. Would an increase in the price of gas have a very negative impact on your personal finances, somewhat negative impact, not that much of an impact, or no impact at all?

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Very negative impact .....	30%	28%
Somewhat negative impact .....	44	45
Not that much of an impact.....	20	20
No impact at all.....	7	7
NEGATIVE IMPACT (NET) .....	74%	73
NOT MUCH/NO IMPACT (NET).....	26	27

For statistical purposes only, please answer the following questions.

**DAGE.** What is your age?

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
18-29.....	15%	15%
30-44.....	23	22
45-54.....	19	17
55-64.....	20	19
65+.....	23	26

**D100.** What is your gender?

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Male .....	46%	46%
Female.....	54	54

**D102.** What is the last grade of school or level of education you completed?

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Did not complete high school .....	2%	2%
Graduated high school .....	17	19
Attended technical/vocational school .....	6	5
Attended some college but no degree.....	25	26
Graduated two-year college with Associate's degree.....	12	13
Graduated four-year college with Bachelor's degree .....	25	26
Obtained Master's, PhD, or other professional degree (MD, DMD, etc.).....	12	9

**D105.** When it comes to politics, do you generally think of yourself as:

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Very liberal.....	14%	12%
Somewhat liberal .....	18	19
Moderate.....	31	32
Somewhat conservative .....	22	22
Very conservative .....	15	14
LIBERAL (NET) .....	32%	31
CONSERVATIVE (NET) .....	37	37

**D108.** Which of the following best describes your employment status?

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Employed Full-Time.....	36%	37%
Employed Part-Time.....	10	10
Self-employed/Own a company.....	8	8
Homemaker.....	10	10
A student.....	1	2
Unemployed.....	9	6
Retired.....	25	27

**DRACE.** To ensure we have a representative sample, please indicate your race. **[IF BLACK/WHITE/OTHER]** Do you consider yourself a Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish-speaking American?

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Black/African-American.....	12%	10%
White/Caucasian.....	77	80
Hispanic/Latino.....	8	8
Asian-American.....	2	1
Native American.....	*	1
Other.....	1	1

**D310.** And, for statistical purposes only, what would you say is your total annual family income before taxes?

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Less than \$25,000.....	19%	17%
\$25,000 - \$49,999.....	31	30
\$50,000 - \$74,999.....	22	25
\$75,000 - \$99,999.....	12	14
\$100,000 - \$149,999.....	11	7
\$150,000 - \$199,999.....	3	4
\$200,000 or more.....	2	2

**STATEBG.** **[IF BATTLEGROUND STATE]** What state do you live in?

Arizona.....	7%
Colorado.....	7
Florida.....	24
Iowa.....	4
Michigan.....	12
Minnesota.....	7
North Carolina.....	12
New Hampshire.....	2
Nevada.....	3
Pennsylvania.....	16
Wisconsin.....	6

**REGION.** What state do you live in?

	<u>Nationwide</u>	<u>Battleground</u>
Northeast.....	18%	18%
Midwest.....	24	29
South.....	37	36
West.....	22	17