



South Carolina Immigration Poll Results

Partnership for a New American Economy

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Q: Would you say that things in the country are going in the right direction, or have they gotten off on the wrong track?

Right Direction	26%
Wrong Track	64%
Not sure	10%

Q: Which of the following issues is most important in deciding how you will vote for Congress this year: The Economy, Jobs, Spending, Obamacare, Immigration, National Security, Taxes, or Moral issues like abortion and gay marriage?

Economy	26%
Jobs	13%
Spending	12%
Obamacare	17%
Immigration	7%
National Security	6%
Taxes	2%
Moral Issues	10%
Not sure	6%

Q: And, what is the NEXT most important issue to you?

Economy	24%
Jobs	20%
Spending	15%
Obamacare	15%
Immigration	7%
National Security	5%
Taxes	5%
Moral Issues	4%
Not sure	4%

Q: When thinking of the issue of immigration, do you believe the United States immigration system is functioning the way it should or is in need of fixing?

Functioning the way it should	10%
In need of fixing	83%
Not sure	7%

Q: Would you support or oppose an immigration reform plan that secures our borders, expands visas for high-skill workers and farm workers, provides an employer verification program, allows young persons brought to the U.S. illegally by their parents an opportunity to earn citizenship, and provides visas to live and work here legally to undocumented immigrants without a criminal record who pay penalties and back taxes?

Strongly support	32%
Somewhat support	30%
Somewhat oppose	13%
Strongly oppose	17%
Not sure	8%

Q: Some in Congress have cited a concern with the current Administration's enforcement of existing laws as a reason not to fix the problems that exist with the current laws. Is that concern a valid reason for Congress not to act?

Yes	14%
No	65%
Not sure	21%

Q: In your opinion is it acceptable for Congress to allow things to stay the way they are at our border and with the immigration system, or is it better for them to take action?

Ok to stay the same	6%
They should take action	82%
Not sure	11%

Q: And, still thinking about immigration reform, how important is it to you that Congress act on immigration reform this year. Is it...

Very Important	56%
Somewhat Important	26%
Not Very Important	11%
Not At All Important	4%
Not Sure	3%

Q: Continuing to think about undocumented immigrants, which ONE of the following statements regarding undocumented immigrants do you MOST agree with?

Deport all undocumented immigrants	30%
Legal status without US Citizenship	37%
Legal status with eligibility for US Citizenship	26%
Not Sure	7%

Q: When thinking about the 2016 Presidential election, would you rather vote for a candidate from a political party that you believe supports immigration reform or opposes it?

From a Party that supports reform	68%
From a Party that opposes reform	12%
Not sure	20%

Demographics:

Party Affiliation

Republican	41%
Democrat	31%
Independent	28%

Gender

Female	52%
Male	48%

Age

18 - 39	16%
40 - 49	19%
50 - 59	28%
60 or older	36%

Race/Ethnicity

White	68%
Hispanic/Latino	3%
African American	25%
Other	4%

METHODOLOGY:

The sample size for the survey is 500 likely voters and the margin of error is +/-4.38%. The Interactive Voice Response (IVR) automated telephone survey was conducted June 23-24, 2014 by Harper Polling for Partnership for a New American Economy. The total percentages for responses may not equal 100% due to rounding.