

# **Arkansas Immigration Poll Results**

Partnership for a New American Economy June 30- July 1, 2014

**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	14%
Wrong Track	72%
Not Sure	13%

**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	28%
Jobs	9%
Spending	5%
Obamacare	15%
Immigration	5%
National Security	3%
Taxes	3%
Moral Issues	18%
Not Sure	13%

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

Economy	16%
Jobs	16%
Spending	8%
Obamacare	16%
Immigration	6%
National Security	9%
Taxes	6%
Moral Issues	9%
Not Sure	15%

**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	5%
In need of fixing	88%
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	10%
Strongly oppose	16%
Not sure	12%

**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	16%
No	65%
Not Sure	19%

**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	4%
They should take action	88%
Not sure	7%

**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	51%
Somewhat Important	32%
Not Very Important	5%
Not At All Important	6%
Not Sure	6%

**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	26%
Legal status without US Citizenship	30%
Legal status with eligibility for US Citizenship	36%
Not Sure	9%

**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	66%
From a party that opposes reform	12%
Not Sure	22%

## **Demographics:**

## **Party Affiliation**

Republican	33%
Democrat	38%
Independent	29%

#### Gender

Female	52%
Male	48%

### Age

18 to 39	17%
40 to 49	18%
50 to 59	31%
60 and older	34%

## Race/Ethnicity

White	76%
Hispanic or Latino	3%
African-American	13%
Other	8%

#### **METHODOLOGY:**

The sample size for the survey is 500 likely voters and the margin of error is +/-4.4%. The live survey was conducted June 30-July 1, 2014 by Harper Polling for Partnership for a New America. The total percentages for responses may not equal 100% due to rounding.