# Clinton vs. Trump Leaves 6 in 10 Unhappy; Contest Tightens as Conventions Loom

Most Americans express dismay at their choices in the 2016 presidential election, with a tighter contest between Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump reflecting damage to Clinton from her email controversy – but with continued weak ratings for Trump across a range of key measures.

In apparent fallout from the email issue that returned to the fore last week, 72 percent in a new ABC News/Washington Post poll see Clinton as "too willing to bend the rules." But 56 percent see Trump as biased against women and minorities, and six in 10 call him unqualified for office.

One result: On the eve of the Republican and Democratic conventions, a remarkable 58 percent describe themselves as dissatisfied with a choice between the presumptive nominees.

Preferences have narrowed from a 12-point Clinton advantage among registered voters in mid-June – after a series of campaign missteps by Trump – to a non-significant 4-point gap now. That follows FBI Director James Comey's characterization of Clinton's email practices as secretary of state as "extremely careless," albeit not warranting criminal charges.

2016 General Election Vote Preference
Among registered voters
ABC News/Washington Post polls
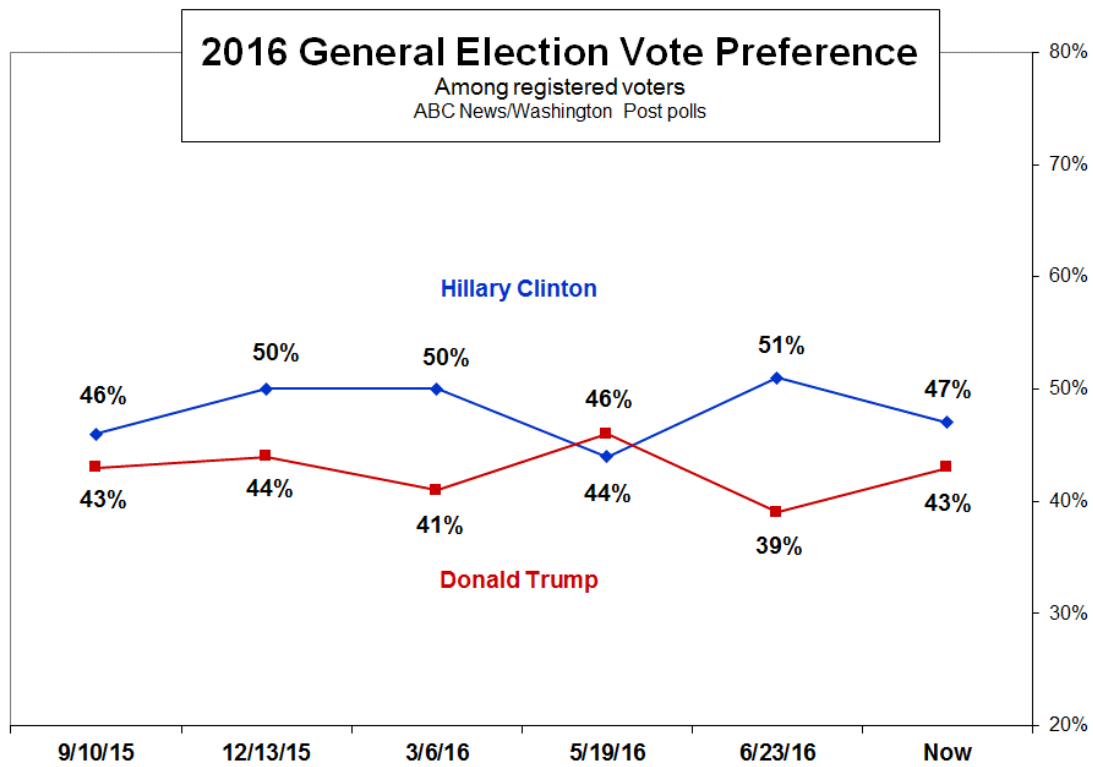
Winnowing to likely voters, the race goes to a 7-point edge for Clinton – an unusual result, in that likely voters typically tilt more Republican. But it's an unusual contest.

The unpopularity of both candidates is striking. Sixty-four percent of Americans in this poll, produced for ABC by Langer Research Associates, see Trump unfavorably, off last month's 70 percent but still a highly troublesome level. Yet 54 percent also see Clinton unfavorably, a point from her high last month. They remain the two most unpopular likely major-party nominees in ABC/Post polling back to 1984.

There's been a 5-point rise in the number who see Clinton "strongly" unfavorably, to 44 percent, the most in available data back 13 years. Again, though, more say the same about Trump – 52 percent strongly unfavorable (vs. 56 percent in June). Just 31 percent see him favorably overall; it's 42 percent for Clinton.

Clinton vs. Trump: Favorability
ABC News/Washington Post polls
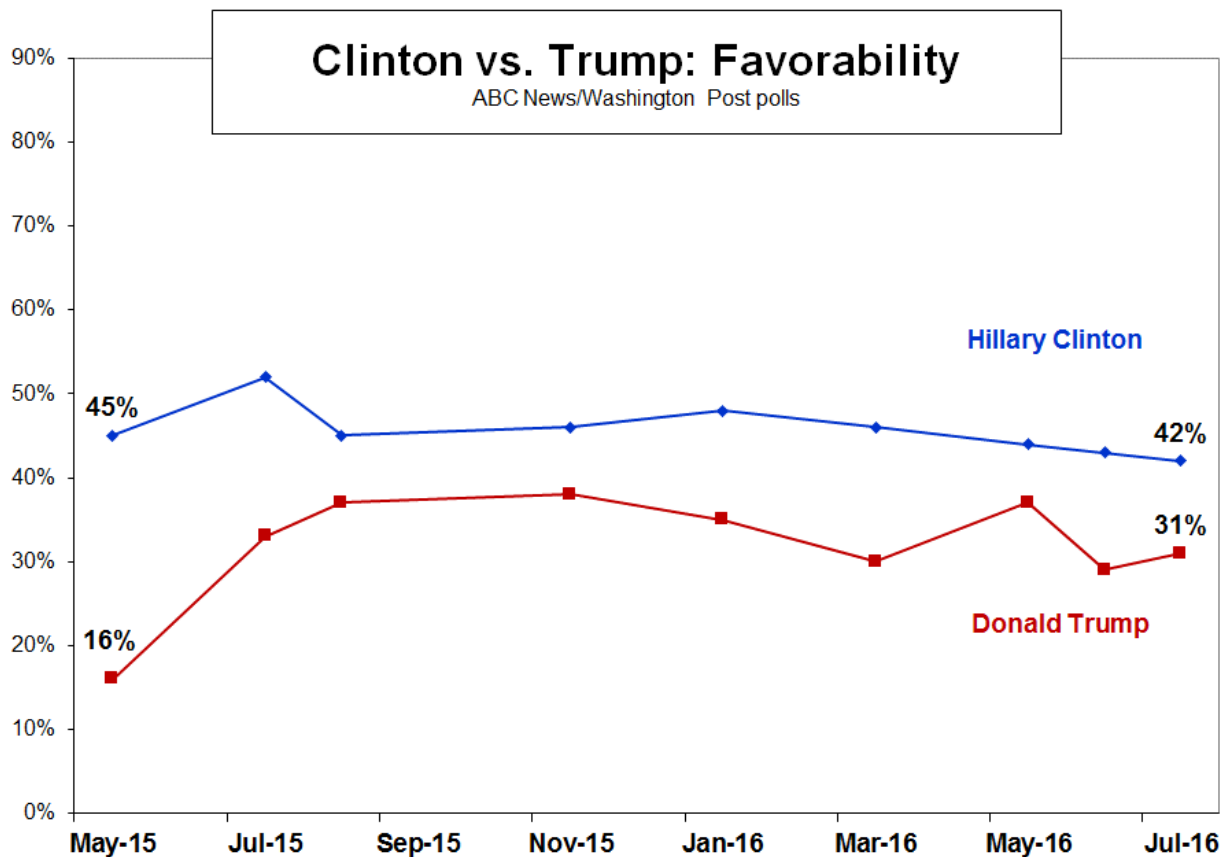
In another measure of the candidates' weaknesses, fewer than four in 10 registered voters who pick Trump over Clinton say they mainly support him; most, 57 percent, instead say they mainly oppose Clinton. It's barely better for Clinton: Just 44 percent of her supporters mainly favor her, while 54 percent mainly oppose Trump. This lack of affirmative support could lend volatility to the contest ahead.

While Clinton and Trump's unpopularity have the potential to boost third-party candidates, interest in the current options is fairly muted. Just 14 percent of registered voters say there's a third-party candidate they're seriously considering, and just 3 and 2 percent, respectively, independently mention Libertarian Gary Johnson or Jill Stein of the Green Party.

When their names are offered, 8 percent of registered voters pick Johnson, 5 percent Stein, with no change in the gap between Clinton and Trump.
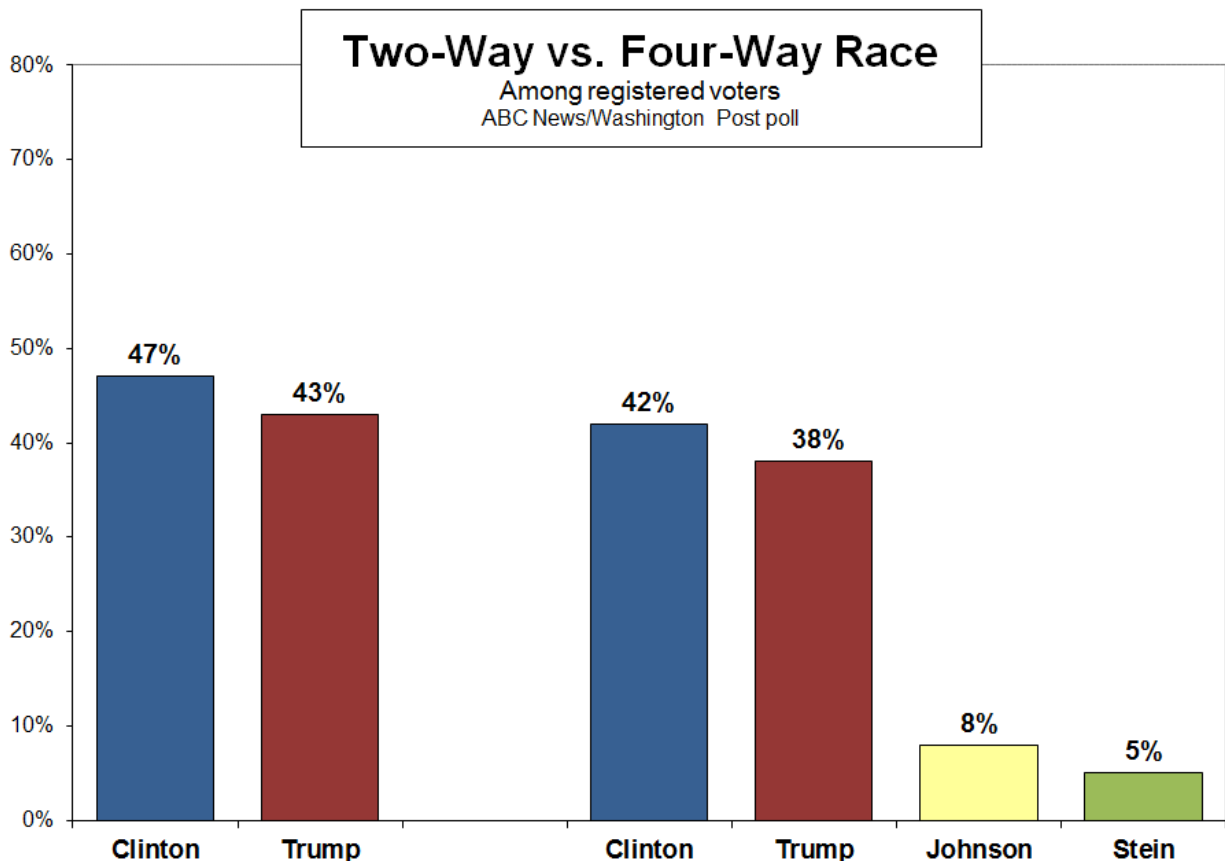
OBAMA AND 'WRONG TRACK' – Standing above this fray is Barack Obama: Regardless of changes in Clinton/Trump preferences, the president's rating is steady, with 56 percent of Americans approving of his job performance overall – identical to last month at its highest since early in his presidency.

That result is important for Clinton; 83 percent of his approvers also back her, suggesting he can be of help to her on the campaign trail. Notably, his approval is exactly double George W. Bush's at this time in 2008, when he was seen as a drag on the GOP candidate, John McCain.

Obama's relatively strong approval rating may seem counterintuitive, since Americans also, by a wide 68-28 percent, say the country is headed pretty seriously off on the wrong track – up by 8 percentage points since January. Obama's approval is far higher, naturally, among those who say

the country is headed in the right direction. But the "wrong track" assessment also may include conditions for which many don't hold him accountable – e.g., race relations and terrorism.

Obama: Overall Job Approval
ABC News/Washington Post polls

Approve – – **Disapprove**

56%

42%
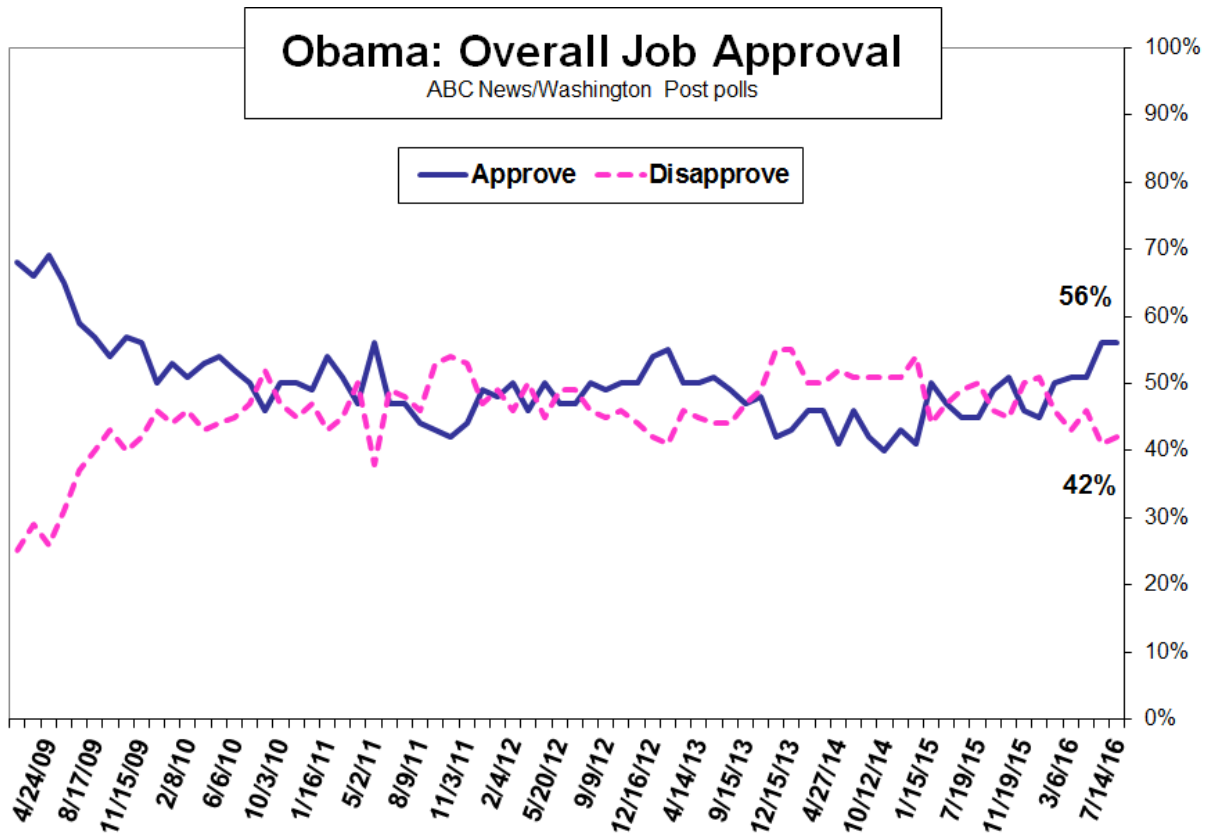
Obama also simply may benefit from comparison to Clinton and Trump. Indeed, his approval rating is up especially sharply – by 14 points since March – among the one in four Americans who hold unfavorable views of both candidates. (Those are, in particular, young adults, college-educated white men and supporters of other contenders for the nominations.)

In any case, along with Obama approval, the "right direction/wrong track" measure bears watching. Among registered voters who say the country's headed in the right direction, Clinton leads Trump by a vast 86-8 percent. Among the more than two-thirds who say it's on the wrong track, by contrast, Trump has a 25-point advantage, 57-32 percent.

ATTRIBUTES – With the election four months away, fundamental assessments of the candidates' suitability are at least as important as current vote preferences, and here Clinton has some persistent advantages. Most notably, 59 percent of Americans see her as qualified to serve as president, vs. just 37 percent who say the same about Trump. (It's similar among registered voters, 56 vs. 39 percent, respectively.) That puts Trump's qualifications rating in line with those of Sarah Palin, Dan Quayle and Ross Perot in years past.

Qualified to Serve as President?
ABC News/Washington Post poll

	Qualified	Not qualified

Hillary Clinton: Qualified 59%, Not qualified 39%

Donald Trump: Qualified 37%, Not qualified 60%
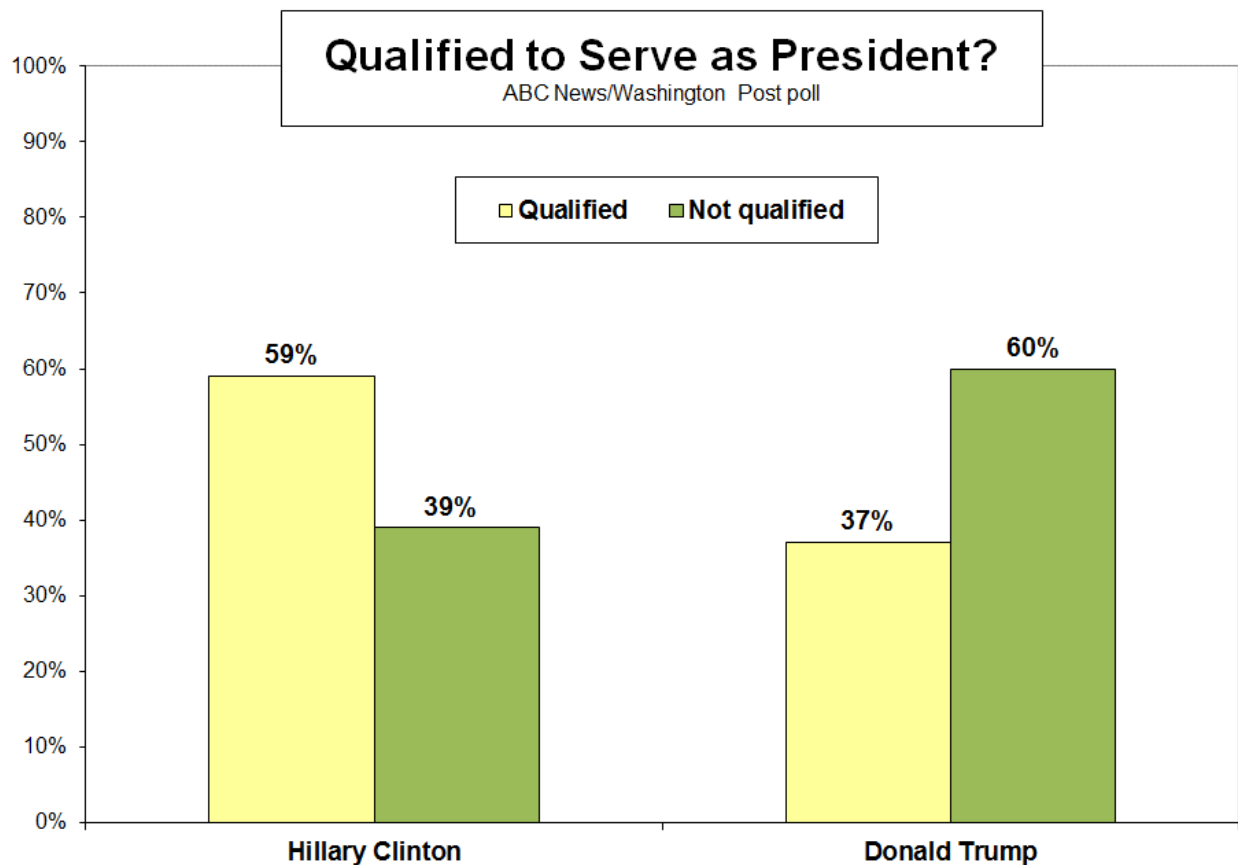
Clinton, moreover, leads Trump by 13 points both on empathy – who "better understands the problems of people like you" – and on who "better represents your own personal values," as well as by 19 points on who has the better judgment. And she leads him by a much wider margin, 31 points, on who has the better personality and temperament to serve effectively, a result that's essentially unchanged in the past two months.

There are two other attributes on which Clinton and Trump are rated evenly – honesty and trustworthiness and who would "do more to bring needed change to Washington." But on none of the six attributes tested does Trump have a meaningful advantage. (Painfully, 18 percent volunteer that they see neither Trump nor Clinton as honest and trustworthy, vs. 5-11 percent in ABC/Post polls in the presidential races in 2000, 2004, 2008 and 2012.)

There are some differences among registered voters – though there's still ample time to register. In this group Trump advances to an 11-point lead on being better able to bring needed change, and Clinton's lead on values and empathy shrinks to a non-significant 6 points. She retains leads on judgment (+13 points) and personality/temperament (+26 points).

Clinton also may get some help – or at least no hurt – from her insider status, compared with Trump's positioning as a political outsider. Among all adults, someone with experience in how

the political system works takes precedence over an outsider by 55-41 percent. Still, that's narrowed from 62-34 percent in March, and it shrinks to a 6-point gap among registered voters.

Clinton may look more at risk from her "bend the rules" reputation (72 percent) than Trump by his perceived bias against women and minorities (expressed by 56 percent). But when asked which of these is the bigger concern, Americans divide – 48 percent cite bias by Trump, 43 percent, rule-bending by Clinton. Among registered voters, this goes to an even split.

ISSUES – Trust on issues tells a similar story as results on attributes, with some clear advantages for Clinton, while not so for Trump.

They're rated essentially evenly among all adults on two especially key issues, trust to handle the economy and terrorism, as well as trust to handle taxes. Clinton, though, has double-digit leads on four others – handling race relations, an international crisis, immigration and, by a lesser margin, helping the middle class.

Clinton vs. Trump: Issues
ABC News/Washington Post poll
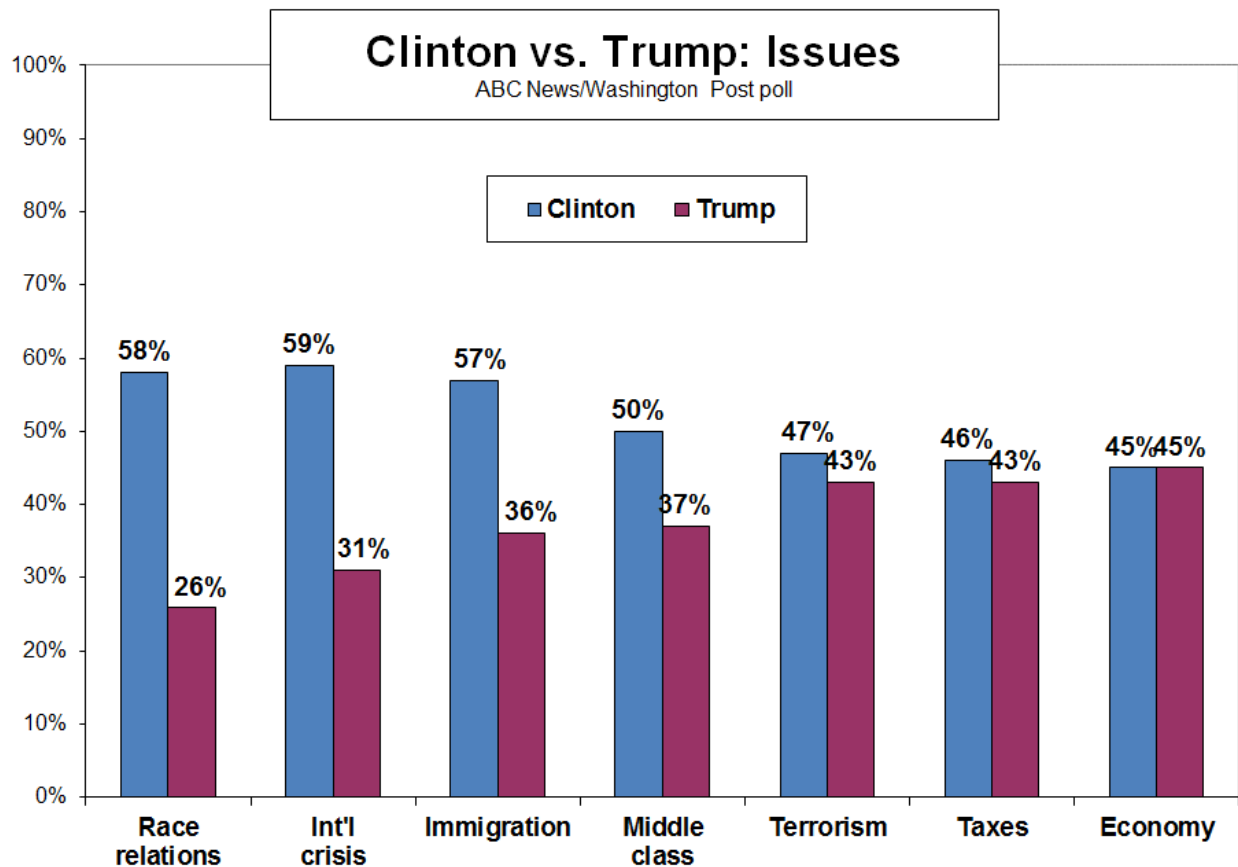
Narrowing to currently registered voters, she keeps double-digit leads on handling race relations, an international crisis and immigration, and again doesn't trail by a significant margin on any of these.

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                                    Clinton-Trump
                    All adults    Diff.    Reg. voters    Diff.
Attributes:
  Honest/trustworthy    39-39%      0       36-41%         -5
  Bring needed change   44-46      -2       39-50         -11
  Empathy               48-35     +13       45-39          +6
  Shares your values    49-36     +13       45-39          +6
  Better judgment       54-35     +19       50-37         +13
  Personality/temperament 59-28   +31       56-30         +26

Trust to handle:
  Economy               45-45      0        43-48          -5
  Taxes                 46-43     +3        43-46          -3
  Terrorism             47-43     +4        47-44          +3
  Middle class          50-37    +13        47-41          +6
  Immigration           57-36    +21        54-39         +15
  Int'l crisis          59-31    +28        56-35         +21
  Race relations        58-26    +32        57-29         +28
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VEEPS – There's no indication in this poll, conducted Monday through Thursday, that either candidate's vice presidential selection will be highly influential. Just 12 percent of Americans say either V.P. choice will be "extremely important" in their decision.

More, though – about a quarter – say it could be extremely or very important, and given the top candidates' own unpopularity, their running mates potentially could matter. Trump, for example, is supported by 82 percent of Republicans, 76 percent of evangelical white Christians and 70 percent of conservatives in this poll – groups among which he may hope to be boosted by his selection of Indiana Gov. Mike Pence. There is room to improve: Mitt Romney, for example, won 93 percent of Republicans and 82 percent of conservatives in 2012.

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                           Support
                   Trump            Romney 2012
               (among reg. voters)  (exit poll)    Diff.
Republicans           82%               93%        -11 pts.
Conservatives         70                82         -12
Evangelical white
  Christians          76                78          -2
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CHANGE GROUPS – The main changes in overall vote preference from last month include weaker results for Clinton among college-educated white women, white Catholics and "somewhat" conservatives, all groups to watch in the campaign ahead.

College-educated white women have gone from a 22-point preference for Clinton last month to essentially an even split now, by far the closest margin in this group in ABC/Post polling this election cycle.

Overall, Trump now leads Clinton by 15 points among white registered voters, while trailing her by a vast 52 points among nonwhites. She's backed by 89 percent of blacks and 74 percent of Hispanics (the latter reflects combined June/July results for adequate sample sizes).

Another group to show recent movement is white Catholics. After being far better for Trump in May, they moved to essentially an even split last month, and now are back to +19 for Trump. That's the same margin by which Romney won this group four years ago.

"Somewhat" conservatives, for their part, favor Trump by 66-24 percent in this poll; that was 58-34 percent last month, a 24-point margin widening to 42 points.

COALESCENCE and YOUTH – Also of keen interest is the extent to which Republicans and Republican-leaning independents coalesce behind Trump and their Democratic opposites do the same for Clinton. That now seems to be occurring in equal measure.

Specifically, among leaned Republicans who preferred someone other than Trump for the nomination, 76 percent support him vs. Clinton, vs. 69 percent last month. And among leaned Democrats who preferred Bernie Sanders, 79 percent back Clinton over Trump.

One important element of Sanders' support was young registered voters, and Clinton is holding her own in this group, 56-32 percent over Trump among those under 30. They'd surprisingly split evenly between Clinton and Trump in May.

OTHERS – Among other groups, Trump continues to do especially well among white men who don't have a college degree, a 69-27 percent lead in this group. (While very wide, that's not so remarkable; Romney won them by 64-33 percent in 2012.)

Trump has a lead of 60-33 among non-college whites overall, again about the same as Romney's advantage in this group in 2012. Clinton, for her part, is competitive among white registered voters who have a college degree, 43-42 percent, Trump-Clinton – a group Romney won by 14 points.

That's a reason Clinton does better somewhat among likely voters; college-educated adults are likelier to vote.

MOVEMENT – A notable element of this matchup is the extent to which it's fluctuated over time – a 9-point lead for Clinton among registered voters in March, +2 Trump in May, +12 Clinton in June, +4 Clinton now. That's reflected the course of the campaign: better for Clinton as the Republicans duked it out; better for Trump when he emerged as the likely nominee; better for Clinton when Trump stumbled; better for Trump as the email controversy re-emerged.

The conclusion is that campaigns matter – and that may especially be so this year, given the contours of a contest between the two largely uninspiring candidates the major parties are poised to nominate.

METHODOLOGY – This ABC News/Washington Post poll was conducted by landline and cellular telephone July 11-14, 2016, in English and Spanish, among a random national sample of 1,003 adults, including 816 registered voters. Results have a margin of sampling error of 3.5 points, including the design effect, for the full sample, and 4 points for registered voters. Partisan divisions are 33-23-35 percent, Democrats-Republicans-independents, in the full sample, 33-27-33 among registered voters.

The survey was produced for ABC News by Langer Research Associates of New York, N.Y., with sampling, data collection and tabulation by Abt-SRBI of New York, N.Y. See details on the survey's methodology here.

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Full results follow.

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14e, 20b, 21b, 22-23 previously released; 20c-g, 21a, 21c-g held for release.

*= less than 0.5 percent

1. I'd like you to rate the chances that you will vote in the presidential election in
November: Are you absolutely certain to vote, will you probably vote, are the chances
50-50, or less than that?

                                                  Don't think   Already
           Certain  Probably  Chances  Less than  will vote     voted     No
           to vote    vote     50/50     that       (vol.)      (vol.)    op.
7/14/16  RV   79       10        5         3          1           NA       1
6/23/16  RV   79        8        7         4          2           NA       *
5/19/16  RV   80        9        5         3          2           NA       *


2. If the presidential election were being held today and the candidates were (Hillary
Clinton, the Democrat) and (Donald Trump, the Republican), for whom would you vote?
Would you lean toward (Clinton) or toward (Trump)?

NET LEANED VOTE PREFERENCE - REG VOTERS

                                Other    Neither   Would not       No
           Clinton   Trump      (vol.)   (vol.)    vote (vol.)   opinion
7/14/16       47       43         2         6           *           2
6/23/16       51       39         2         6           1           1
5/19/16       44       46         2         5           2           1
3/6/16        50       41         1         3           5           1
12/13/15      50       44         1         3           2           1
9/10/15       46       43         1         6           4           1


3a. (IF NAMED CLINTON) Do you mainly support Clinton, or mainly oppose Trump?

           Support   Oppose     No
           Clinton   Trump    opinion
7/14/16  RV   44       54        2
5/19/16  RV   48       48        3
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3b. (IF NAMED TRUMP) Do you mainly support Trump, or mainly oppose Clinton?

	Support Trump	Oppose Clinton	No opinion
7/14/16 RV	38	57	4
5/19/16 RV	44	53	4

2/3a/3b NET:

| | -- Vote for Clinton -- | | | ---- Vote for Trump --- | | | | | No | |
	NET	Support Clinton	Oppose Trump	NET	Support Trump	Oppose Clinton	Oth. (vol)	Neither (vol)	vote (vol)	No op.
7/14/16 RV	47	21	25	43	16	25	2	6	*	2
5/19/16 RV	44	21	21	46	20	24	2	5	2	1

4. Regardless of whether you prefer (Clinton) or (Trump), is there a third-party candidate you are seriously considering? (IF YES) Who is that?

| | ---------------- Yes ---------------- | | | | | | |
	NET	Gary Johnson	Jill Stein	Other	No opinion	No	No opinion
7/14/16 RV	14	3	2	8	2	83	3
6/23/16 RV	18	2	1	12	3	78	4

5. If the presidential election were being held today and the candidates were [(Hillary Clinton, the Democrat), (Donald Trump, the Republican)], [(Gary Johnson of the Libertarian Party) and (Jill Stein of the Green Party)], for whom would you vote? Would you lean toward [(Clinton), (Trump)], [(Johnson) or (Stein)]?

	Hillary Clinton	Donald Trump	Gary Johnson	Jill Stein	Other (vol.)	None of these (vol.)	Would not vote (vol.)	No opinion
7/14/16 RV	42	38	8	5	1	2	1	3
6/23/16 RV	47	37	7	3	1	3	*	3

On another topic,
6. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president? Do you approve/disapprove strongly or somewhat?

| | -------- Approve -------- | | | ------- Disapprove ------ | | | No |
	NET	Strongly	Somewhat	NET	Somewhat	Strongly	opinion
7/14/16	56	33	24	42	9	33	2
6/23/16	56	34	21	41	8	33	3
5/19/16	51	30	21	46	11	35	3
3/6/16	51	31	20	43	11	33	6
1/24/16	50	31	18	46	11	36	4
12/13/15	45	24	22	51	12	39	3
11/19/15	46	24	22	50	10	40	4
10/18/15	51	28	23	45	10	35	4
9/10/15	49	27	22	46	9	37	5
7/19/15	45	26	20	50	13	37	5
5/31/15	45	22	23	49	11	38	6
3/29/15	47	26	21	47	11	36	6
1/15/15	50	24	26	44	9	35	6
12/14/14	41	21	20	54	13	41	5
10/26/14	43	21	22	51	12	39	6
10/12/14	40	20	20	51	12	39	8

9/7/14	42	24	18	51	12	39	6
6/1/14	46	23	23	51	14	37	3
4/27/14	41	23	19	52	12	40	6
3/2/14	46	25	22	50	12	38	3
1/23/14	46	23	23	50	9	41	4
12/15/13	43	23	20	55	14	41	3
11/17/13	42	22	21	55	11	44	3
10/20/13	48	28	20	49	10	39	3
9/15/13	47	25	22	47	11	37	6
7/21/13	49	25	24	44	12	32	7
5/19/13	51	32	20	44	10	33	5
4/14/13	50	27	23	45	10	35	5
3/10/13	50	29	21	46	11	36	4
1/13/13	55	32	23	41	8	33	4

Call for full trend.

7. Do you think things in this country (are generally going in the right direction) or do you feel things (have gotten pretty seriously off on the wrong track)?

	Right direction	Wrong track	No opinion
7/14/16	28	68	4
1/24/16	36	60	4
7/19/15	31	65	4
1/15/15	39	56	5
10/26/14	28	68	5
10/12/14	29	66	5
9/7/14	31	65	5
4/27/14	30	66	4
1/23/14	35	62	2
11/17/13	27	70	3
10/20/13	28	68	4
7/21/13	36	60	4
5/19/13	39	57	4
1/13/13	39	57	5

Call for full trend.

8. (ASKED OF LEANED REPUBLICANS) Out of the candidates who ran, who did you want to see win the Republican nomination for president this year? (IF NEEDED) Was it Trump or one of the other candidates?

	Trump	Other	No opinion
7/14/16 RV	39	56	6
6/23/16 RV	40	55	5

9. (ASKED OF LEANED DEMOCRATS) Out of the candidates who ran, who did you want to see win the Democratic nomination for president this year? (IF NEEDED) Was it Hillary Clinton, Bernie Sanders or someone else?

	Clinton	Sanders	Someone else (vol.)	No opinion
7/14/16 RV	49	40	6	4
6/23/16 RV	52	35	6	7

10. Overall, do you have a favorable or unfavorable impression of [ITEM]? Do you feel that way strongly, or somewhat?

7/14/16 – Summary Table

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                ------- Favorable -------   ------ Unfavorable ------     No
                NET   Strongly   Somewhat   NET   Somewhat   Strongly   opinion
a. Hillary Clinton  42     21         21      54      11         44        4
b. Donald Trump     31     15         16      64      13         52        4
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Trend:

a. Hillary Clinton

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                ------- Favorable -------   ------ Unfavorable ------     No
                NET   Strongly   Somewhat   NET   Somewhat   Strongly   opinion
7/14/16         42     21         21      54      11         44        4
6/12/16         43     25         18      55      16         39        2
5/19/16         44     22         22      53      12         41        3
3/6/16          46     24         22      52      11         41        2
1/10/16         48     24         24      49      13         36        3
11/8/15         46     23         24      51      13         38        3
10/11/15        47     20         26      49      14         35        5
8/30/15         45     21         24      53      14         39        2
7/12/15         52     25         26      45      14         30        4
5/31/15         45     24         21      49      10         39        6
3/29/15         49     30         20      46      11         35        4
1/23/14         58     32         26      38      12         26        4
6/23/13         61     31         30      33      13         21        6
1/20/13         67     35         32      26      12         14        6
12/2/12         66     35         30      28      14         14        6
4/22/12         65     33         32      27      14         13        8
8/22/08 RV      52     29         23      44      14         30        4
6/15/08         54     26         28      43      17         26        3
4/13/08         44     22         23      54      15         39        2
1/12/08         58     32         26      40      11         29        2
11/1/07         50     28         22      46      11         35        4
2/25/07         49     25         24      48      13         35        3
1/19/07         54     31         23      44      14         30        3
12/11/06        56     27         29      40      11         29        4
5/15/06         54     29         25      42      11         31        4
3/5/06          52     27         25      46      12         33        2
6/5/05          51     NA         NA      46      NA         NA        3
6/1/03          44     15         29      48      16         32        8
9/2/99          49     NA         NA      44      NA         NA        7
6/6/99          59                        35                          6
3/14/99         60                        36                          4
2/14/99         63                        31                          6
11/1/98         64                        31                          5
8/21/98         64                        28                          8
8/19/98         64                        32                          4
4/4/98          58                        33                         10
1/30/98         60                        30                         10
1/19/98         52                        39                          9
3/9/97          47                        44                          9
9/4/96 RV       47                        42                         12
6/30/96         44                        47                          9
1/21/96         28                        36                         36
1/19/96         32                        34                         34
10/31/94        47                        44                          8
5/15/94         54                        41                          5
3/27/94         53                        39                          8
1/23/94         55                        34                         11
11/14/93        58                        33                          9
8/8/93          59                        33                          8
4/26/93         54                        26                         20
2/23/93         59                        24                         18
1/17/93         51                        20                         29
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7/8/92      30                       26                      43
3/18/92     28      "         "       22      "         "     51
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b. Donald Trump

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            ------- Favorable -------   ------ Unfavorable ------    No
            NET   Strongly  Somewhat   NET   Somewhat  Strongly  opinion
7/14/16     31      15        16        64      13        52        4
6/12/16     29      15        14        70      14        56        1
5/19/16     37      18        19        60      11        49        3
4/10/16     31      14        17        67      14        53        2
3/6/16      30      15        14        67      11        56        3
1/10/16     35      17        18        62      14        48        3
11/8/15     38      16        23        59      13        46        3
9/27/15     35      14        21        60      19        41        5
8/30/15     37      16        21        59      16        43        4
7/12/15     33      14        19        61      16        45        6
5/31/15     16       7         9        71      16        55       13
12/18/11    40      12        29        48      21        27       12
1/16/00*    20      NA        NA        70      NA        NA       11
10/31/99*   18      "         "         70      "         "        12
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* "Regardless of how you might vote, please tell me if you have a favorable or
unfavorable impression of Donald Trump, or perhaps you don't know enough to say."

11. How do you feel about a choice between (Clinton) and (Trump) as the major-party
candidates for president – are you very satisfied with this choice, somewhat
satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied or very dissatisfied?

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            ----- Satisfied -----   ---- Dissatisfied ---     No
            NET   Very   Somewhat   NET   Somewhat  Very    opinion
7/14/16     40    13       27        58      24      34        2
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12. Regardless of whether or not you'd vote for (him/her), do you think [ITEM] is or
is not qualified to serve as president? Do you feel that way strongly or somewhat?

7/14/16 – Summary Table

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               ------- Qualified -------   ----- Not qualified -----    No
               NET   Strongly  Somewhat   NET   Somewhat  Strongly  opinion
a. Clinton     59      38        21        39       5        35        2
b. Trump       37      18        19        60       9        51        3
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Trend:

a. Clinton

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               ------- Qualified -------   ----- Not qualified -----    No
               NET   Strongly  Somewhat   NET   Somewhat  Strongly  opinion
7/14/16        59      38        21        39       5        35        2
6/23/16        61      40        22        37       4        33        1
5/19/16        63      NA        NA        36      NA        NA        2
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b. Trump

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               ------- Qualified -------   ----- Not qualified -----    No
               NET   Strongly  Somewhat   NET   Somewhat  Strongly  opinion
7/14/16        37      18        19        60       9        51        3
6/23/16        34      18        16        64       8        56        2
5/19/16        39      NA        NA        58      NA        NA        3
9/10/15        37      NA        NA        60      NA        NA        2
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13. Who do you think [ITEM] – (Clinton) or (Trump)?

7/14/16 – Summary Table

	Clinton	Trump	Both (vol.)	Neither (vol.)	No op.
a. is more honest and trustworthy	39	39	1	18	2
b. better understands the problems of people like you	48	35	*	14	2
c. has a better personality and temperament to serve effectively as president	59	28	1	11	2
d. would do more to bring needed change to Washington	44	46	1	7	3
e. better represents your own personal values	49	36	1	13	2
f. has better judgment	54	35	1	9	2

* Half sample asked items a-c; other half asked items d-f.

Trend where available:

a. is more honest and trustworthy

	Clinton	Trump	Both (vol.)	Neither (vol.)	No opinion
7/14/16	39	39	1	18	2
5/19/16	42	40	1	16	1

b. better understands the problems of people like you

	Clinton	Trump	Both (vol.)	Neither (vol.)	No opinion
7/14/16	48	35	*	14	2
5/19/16	47	36	*	15	2

c. has a better personality and temperament to serve effectively as president

	Clinton	Trump	Both (vol.)	Neither (vol.)	No opinion
7/14/16	59	28	1	11	2
6/23/16	61	28	1	8	3
5/19/16	61	31	1	6	1

d. would do more to bring needed change to Washington

	Clinton	Trump	Both (vol.)	Neither (vol.)	No opinion
7/14/16	44	46	1	7	3
5/19/16	42	48	1	7	2

e. better represents your own personal values

	Clinton	Trump	Both (vol.)	Neither (vol.)	No opinion
7/14/16	49	36	1	13	2
5/19/16	48	37	1	13	2

f. No trend

14. Who do you trust more to handle [ITEM] – (Clinton) or (Trump)? And who do you trust more to handle [NEXT ITEM]?

7/14/16 – Summary Table

		Both	Neither	No

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                                      Clinton   Trump   (vol.)   (vol.)    opinion
a. The economy                          45       45       *        8          1
b. Terrorism                            47       43       *        8          1
c. Immigration issues                   57       36       0        6          1
d. An international crisis              59       31       1        8          1
e. Race relations                       58       26       1       11          3
f. Looking out for the middle class     50       37       0       10          2
g. Taxes                                46       43       *        8          3
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*Full sample asked item a; half sample asked items b-d; other half asked items e-g.

Trend where available:

a. The economy

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                        Both     Neither    No
        Clinton  Trump  (vol.)   (vol.)   opinion
7/14/16    45     45      *         8        1
5/19/16    47     46      *         6        1
3/6/16     49     45      *         5        1
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b. Terrorism

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                        Both     Neither    No
        Clinton  Trump  (vol.)   (vol.)   opinion
7/14/16    47     43      *         8        1
6/23/16    50     39      1         8        2
5/19/16    47     44      *         7        2
3/6/16     54     40      *         4        2
11/19/15*  50     42      *         6        1
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*"threat of terrorism"

c. Immigration issues

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                        Both     Neither    No
        Clinton  Trump  (vol.)   (vol.)   opinion
7/14/16    57     36      0         6        1
5/19/16    51     42      *         4        2
3/6/16     56     37      *         4        2
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d. An international crisis

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                        Both     Neither    No
        Clinton  Trump  (vol.)   (vol.)   opinion
7/14/16    59     31      1         8        1
5/19/16    55     36      *         7        2
3/6/16     61     32      *         5        1
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e. No trend

f. Looking out for the middle class

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                        Both     Neither    No
        Clinton  Trump  (vol.)   (vol.)   opinion
7/14/16    50     37      0        10        2
5/19/16    52     35      *        11        3
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g. Taxes

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                        Both     Neither    No
        Clinton  Trump  (vol.)   (vol.)   opinion
7/14/16    46     43      *         8        3
5/19/16    42     47      1         7        3
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15. Do you think Clinton is or is not too willing to bend the rules? Do you feel that way strongly or somewhat?

| | ----- Is too willing ---- | | | --- Is not too willing -- | | No |
	NET	Strongly	Somewhat	NET	Somewhat	Strongly	opinion
7/14/16	72	48	24	21	10	11	7

16. Do you think Trump is or is not biased against women and minorities? Do you feel that way strongly or somewhat?

| | ------- Is biased ------- | | | ------ Is not biased ---- | | No |
	NET	Strongly	Somewhat	NET	Somewhat	Strongly	opinion
7/14/16	56	44	13	39	12	27	5

17. Which of these is a bigger concern to you (Clinton possibly bending the rules) or (Trump possibly being biased)?

	Clinton bending rules	Trump being biased	Both (vol.)	Neither (vol.)	No opinion
7/14/16	43	48	4	1	4

18. How important is Clinton's choice of a vice presidential candidate in deciding whether or not you might vote for her - extremely important, very important, somewhat important, or less important than that?

| | --- More important --- | | | -------- Less important ------- | | No |
	NET	Extremely	Very	NET	Somewhat	Less than that	opinion
7/14/16	27	12	15	71	22	49	2

19. How important is Trump's choice of a vice presidential candidate in deciding whether or not you might vote for him - extremely important, very important, somewhat important, or less important than that?

| | --- More important --- | | | -------- Less important ------- | | No |
	NET	Extremely	Very	NET	Somewhat	Less than that	opinion
7/14/16	25	12	13	72	20	52	3

20a. All else equal, would you like the next president to be someone who has experience in how the political system works, or someone from outside the existing political establishment?

	Experience in political system	Outside establishment	No opinion
7/14/16	55	41	4
5/19/16	52	43	5
3/6/16	62	34	5
1/24/16	62	33	4
12/13/15	57	37	5
10/18/15	57	39	4

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