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1. How closely have you been following news about an airplane that went missing during a flight between Malaysia and China last week?

		Gender			Α	ge		Party ID			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican	
Very closely	26%	26%	26%	12%	26%	25%	44%	26%	26%	26%	
Somewhat closely	46%	48%	45%	47%	39%	51%	45%	52%	42%	47%	
Not very closely	20%	19%	21%	28%	26%	16%	9%	17%	21%	22%	
Not closely at all	8%	7%	8%	13%	8%	8%	1%	5%	12%	5%	
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
(Unweighted N)	(997)	(455)	(542)	(162)	(270)	(398)	(167)	(324)	(418)	(255)	

		Race				Family	Income		Region			
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80-100	100+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Very closely	26%	25%	28%	31%	25%	29%	23%	25%	33%	22%	27%	23%
Somewhat closely	46%	48%	45%	40%	46%	43%	56%	54%	42%	49%	45%	49%
Not very closely	20%	21%	13%	20%	21%	22%	15%	17%	19%	20%	19%	23%
Not closely at all	8%	7%	14%	9%	8%	6%	6%	4%	6%	9%	10%	4%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(997)	(792)	(119)	(86)	(401)	(289)	(71)	(104)	(167)	(212)	(356)	(262)



2. Based on what you've heard, would you say that the plane's disappearance was most likely the result of an accident or foul play?

		Gender			Α	ge	Party ID			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Accident	7%	7%	7%	12%	7%	6%	5%	11%	7%	4%
Foul play	70%	73%	66%	56%	70%	73%	79%	67%	67%	77%
Not sure	23%	20%	26%	31%	23%	21%	17%	22%	26%	19%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (1,000)	100% (455)	100% (545)	100% (163)	100% (271)	100% (399)	100% (167)	100% (325)	100% (419)	100% (256)

		Race				Family	Income		Region				
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80-100	100+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West	
Accident	7%	7%	9%	10%	7%	8%	7%	7%	7%	9%	6%	8%	
Foul play	70%	72%	60%	65%	70%	72%	72%	73%	71%	69%	70%	68%	
Not sure	23%	21%	31%	25%	23%	19%	21%	19%	22%	21%	24%	25%	
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (1,000)	100% (794)	100% (120)	100% (86)	100% (404)	100% (289)	100% (71)	100% (104)	100% (169)	100% (212)	100% (357)	100% (262)	



3. Based on what you've heard, would you say that the plane most likely crashed, or landed in a secret location?

		Gender			Α	ge	Party ID			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Crashed	29%	34%	24%	26%	34%	27%	27%	33%	23%	32%
Landed in a secret location	45%	45%	44%	39%	44%	45%	51%	43%	45%	45%
Not sure	27%	22%	31%	35%	22%	28%	22%	23%	32%	22%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(997)	(454)	(543)	(161)	(271)	(399)	(166)	(323)	(418)	(256)

		Race				Family	Income	Region				
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80-100	100+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Crashed	29%	29%	24%	32%	26%	30%	36%	41%	31%	29%	25%	33%
Landed in a secret location	45%	45%	41%	46%	45%	48%	47%	40%	47%	43%	49%	37%
Not sure	27%	26%	34%	23%	28%	22%	17%	20%	22%	28%	26%	30%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(997)	(791)	(120)	(86)	(402)	(289)	(71)	(104)	(169)	(212)	(354)	(262)



4. Which of the following theories about the disappearance of Malaysian Airlines Flight 370 do you think might have actually happened to the plane? (Check all that apply.)

		Ge	nder		Α	ge			Party ID	
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
The plane was stolen by pilots and secretly landed										
elsewhere	45%	44%	45%	39%	40%	48%	52%	44%	46%	45%
The plane was hijacked by										
Chinese Islamists	14%	14%	13%	17%	14%	13%	10%	12%	12%	19%
There was an onboard fire,										
and the pilots tried to fly to										
the safest available runway	9%	9%	10%	16%	8%	8%	6%	13%	8%	6%
The plane intentionally hid in										
the radar 'shadow' of										
another 777	19%	14%	24%	18%	18%	18%	23%	20%	22%	13%
The pilots struggled with										
hijackers in a failed hijacking										
that led to a crash	20%	19%	22%	21%	20%	18%	23%	22%	20%	19%
The pilots flew to high										
altitude, decompressed the										
cabin and killed all the										
passengers and crew	13%	13%	13%	13%	12%	13%	14%	10%	15%	14%
The plane was stolen and is										
currently in Pakistan being										
refitted for a second 9/11	17%	20%	15%	8%	15%	22%	21%	13%	17%	23%
The plane was shot down by										
a neighboring country's										
military but is being covered										
up	12%	12%	11%	15%	13%	10%	9%	13%	14%	7%
Something supernatural										
happened to the plane	5%	5%	4%	7%	3%	4%	4%	6%	4%	4%
Alien abduction	3%	4%	2%	2%	2%	3%	4%	3%	4%	2%
None of these	23%	22%	24%	29%	23%	21%	18%	19%	25%	23%
Totals	(1,000)	(455)	(545)	(163)	(271)	(399)	(167)	(325)	(419)	(256)



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The plane was stolen by												
pilots and secretly landed												
elsewhere	45%	47%	43%	32%	43%	48%	45%	46%	40%	51%	47%	39%
The plane was hijacked by												
Chinese Islamists	14%	14%	8%	16%	10%	17%	18%	13%	16%	11%	15%	13%
There was an onboard fire,												
and the pilots tried to fly to												
the safest available runway	9%	9%	9%	9%	9%	7%	13%	13%	6%	9%	11%	10%
The plane intentionally hid in												
the radar 'shadow' of												
another 777	19%	18%	15%	27%	21%	20%	23%	14%	19%	23%	19%	14%
The pilots struggled with												
hijackers in a failed hijacking												
that led to a crash	20%	21%	18%	18%	22%	18%	26%	18%	17%	23%	20%	22%
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passengers and crew	13%	14%	13%	11%	12%	15%	17%	15%	12%	12%	13%	15%
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Something supernatural												
happened to the plane	5%	4%	12%	3%	7%	4%	2%	2%	3%	5%	5%	5%
Alien abduction	3%	3%	6%	0%	3%	3%	1%	3%	2%	6%	2%	2%
None of these	23%	22%	22%	28%	24%	21%	20%	20%	30%	21%	18%	26%
Totals	(1,000)	(794)	(120)	(86)	(404)	(289)	(71)	(104)	(169)	(212)	(357)	(262)



5. Which one of the following theories about the disappearance of Malaysian Airlines Flight 370 do you think MOST likely happened to the plane?

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The plane was stolen by											
pilots and secretly landed											
elsewhere	40%	41%	39%	36%	34%	45%	43%	39%	43%	39%	
The plane was hijacked by											
Chinese Islamists	6%	7%	5%	8%	5%	6%	5%	5%	5%	10%	
There was an onboard fire,											
and the pilots tried to fly to											
the safest available runway	7%	7%	7%	12%	6%	7%	2%	9%	6%	4%	
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passengers and crew	7%	8%	7%	5%	10%	8%	5%	6%	9%	6%	
The plane was stolen and is											
currently in Pakistan being											
refitted for a second 9/11	7%	8%	6%	3%	9%	7%	8%	4%	8%	10%	
The plane was shot down by											
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military but is being covered											
up	5%	6%	5%	6%	8%	4%	4%	7%	5%	4%	
Something supernatural											
happened to the plane	3%	3%	3%	5%	2%	3%	1%	5%	1%	3%	
Alien abduction	2%	3%	1%	0%	2%	2%	3%	1%	3%	2%	
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
(Unweighted N)	(760)	(353)	(407)	(110)	(203)	(315)	(132)	(252)	(312)	(196)	

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Alien abduction	2%	2%	3%	0%	2%	2%	1%	4%	1%	3%	2%	1%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(760)	(610)	(89)	(61)	(304)	(226)	(55)	(83)	(120)	(163)	(283)	(194)