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1. Favorability

Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinon of Richard Nixon?

|  | Total | Gender |  | Age |  |  |  | Party ID |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Male | Female | 18-29 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | Democrat | Inde |  | Republican |
| Very favorable | 4\% | 6\% | 3\% | 1\% | 3\% | 5\% | 8\% | 2\% |  |  | 6\% |
| Somewhat favorable | 21\% | 26\% | 16\% | 21\% | 14\% | 26\% | 21\% | 17\% |  |  | 33\% |
| Somewhat unfavorable | 33\% | 30\% | 36\% | 31\% | 29\% | 34\% | 41\% | 33\% |  |  | 33\% |
| Very unfavorable | 21\% | 22\% | 20\% | 16\% | 19\% | 24\% | 22\% | 30\% |  |  | 13\% |
| Don't know | 21\% | 16\% | 25\% | 31\% | 35\% | 11\% | 8\% | 18\% |  |  | 15\% |
| Totals | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% |  |  | 100\% |
| (Unweighted N) | (996) | (466) | (530) | (162) | (266) | (396) | (172) | (334) |  |  | (235) |
|  |  |  | Race |  |  | ily Income |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Total | White | Black | Hispanic | Under 40 | 40-80 | 80+ | Northeast | Midwest | South | West |
| Very favorable | 4\% | 5\% | 0\% | 2\% | 3\% | 5\% | 5\% | 7\% | 3\% | 5\% | 3\% |
| Somewhat favorable | 21\% | 21\% | 18\% | 26\% | 19\% | 21\% | 25\% | 20\% | 21\% | 20\% | 24\% |
| Somewhat unfavorable | 33\% | 35\% | 28\% | 29\% | 32\% | 35\% | 39\% | 32\% | 40\% | 31\% | 31\% |
| Very unfavorable | 21\% | 23\% | 19\% | 13\% | 20\% | 21\% | 19\% | 19\% | 20\% | 21\% | 23\% |
| Don't know | 21\% | 17\% | 35\% | 30\% | 25\% | 18\% | 13\% | 23\% | 16\% | 24\% | 19\% |
| Totals | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% |
| (Unweighted N) | (996) | (742) | (119) | (135) | (386) | (271) | (202) | (158) | (210) | (369) | (259) |


|  | Total | Ideology |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Very liberal | Liberal | Moderate | Conservative | Very conservative | Not sure |
| Very favorable | 4\% | 6\% | 1\% | 4\% | 5\% | 8\% | 5\% |
| Somewhat favorable | 21\% | 5\% | 10\% | 22\% | 28\% | 39\% | 9\% |
| Somewhat unfavorable | 33\% | 29\% | 38\% | 31\% | 43\% | 18\% | 14\% |
| Very unfavorable | 21\% | 57\% | 34\% | 19\% | 13\% | 25\% | 9\% |
| Don't know | 21\% | 4\% | 17\% | 24\% | 12\% | 10\% | 64\% |
| Totals (Unweighted N) | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (996) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 100 \% \\ (62) \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (159) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (304) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (261) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (125) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 100 \% \\ (85) \end{gathered}$ |

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## 2. Serioius issue

It has now been 40 years since Richard Nixon resigned as president over the Watergate controversy. Which of these two statements comes closer to your own point of view about Watergate?


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|  | Total | Ideology |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Very liberal | Liberal | Moderate | Conservative | Very conservative | Not sure |
| It was a very serious matter because it revealed corruption in the Nixon |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Administration It was just politics-the kind of thing both parties engage | 48\% | 86\% | 64\% | 44\% | 46\% | 46\% | 22\% |
| in | 30\% | 9\% | 20\% | 33\% | 40\% | 43\% | 9\% |
| No opinion | 22\% | 4\% | 16\% | 23\% | 14\% | 11\% | 69\% |
| Totals | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% |
| (Unweighted N ) | (993) | (62) | (158) | (303) | (261) | (125) | (84) |

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## 3. Warrant resignation

Do you think Nixon's actions regarding Watergate were, or were not, serious enough to warrant his resignation?

|  | Total | Gender |  | Age |  |  |  | Party ID |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Male | Female | 18-29 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | Democrat | Independent | Republican |
| Yes, serious enough | 59\% | 62\% | 56\% | 49\% | 59\% | 65\% | 58\% | 72\% | 54\% | 49\% |
| No, not serious enough | 16\% | 17\% | 15\% | 9\% | 9\% | 17\% | 33\% | 7\% | 16\% | 29\% |
| No opinion | 25\% | 21\% | 29\% | 42\% | 32\% | 18\% | 10\% | 21\% | 29\% | 22\% |
| Totals | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% |
| (Unweighted N) | (990) | (461) | (529) | (161) | (263) | (393) | (173) | (333) | (423) | (234) |


|  | Total | Race |  |  | Family Income |  |  | Region |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | White | Black | Hispanic | Under 40 | 40-80 | 80+ | Northeast | Midwest | South | West |
| Yes, serious enough | 59\% | 59\% | 55\% | 61\% | 56\% | 62\% | 63\% | 54\% | 62\% | 55\% | 65\% |
| No, not serious enough | 16\% | 18\% | 12\% | 11\% | 11\% | 20\% | 19\% | 17\% | 17\% | 17\% | 13\% |
| No opinion | 25\% | 23\% | 33\% | 29\% | 33\% | 19\% | 18\% | 29\% | 21\% | 27\% | 22\% |
| Totals (Unweighted N) | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (990) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (738) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (119) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 100 \% \\ & (133) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (384) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (268) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (201) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 100 \% \\ & (155) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (209) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 100 \% \\ & (367) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (259) \end{aligned}$ |


|  | Total | Ideology |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Very liberal | Liberal | Moderate | Conservative | Very conservative | Not sure |
| Yes, serious enough | 59\% | 88\% | 70\% | 59\% | 56\% | 65\% | 30\% |
| No, not serious enough | 16\% | 6\% | 11\% | 14\% | 25\% | 24\% | 1\% |
| No opinion | 25\% | 7\% | 19\% | 27\% | 19\% | 10\% | 69\% |
| Totals | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% |
| (Unweighted N) | (990) | (62) | (159) | (300) | (261) | (124) | (84) |

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4. Ford pardon

Do you think former President Ford should or should not have pardoned former President Nixon for Watergate?

|  | Total | Gender |  | Age |  |  |  | Party ID |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Male | Female | 18-29 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | Democrat | Independent | Republican |
| Should have | 34\% | 38\% | 31\% | 14\% | 26\% | 40\% | 57\% | 29\% | 31\% | 48\% |
| Should not have | 32\% | 36\% | 28\% | 38\% | 28\% | 32\% | 29\% | 38\% | 30\% | 25\% |
| Don't know | 34\% | 26\% | 41\% | 48\% | 46\% | 28\% | 14\% | 33\% | 38\% | 26\% |
| Totals | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% |
| (Unweighted N) | (991) | (463) | (528) | (160) | (264) | (395) | (172) | (333) | (423) | (235) |


|  | Total | Race |  |  | Family Income |  |  | Region |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | White | Black | Hispanic | Under 40 | 40-80 | 80+ | Northeast | Midwest | South | West |
| Should have | 34\% | 37\% | 36\% | 21\% | 29\% | 36\% | 42\% | 35\% | 33\% | 36\% | 32\% |
| Should not have | 32\% | 30\% | 31\% | 41\% | 28\% | 36\% | 33\% | 27\% | 33\% | 27\% | 40\% |
| Don't know | 34\% | 33\% | 33\% | 38\% | 43\% | 28\% | 26\% | 37\% | 34\% | 37\% | 27\% |
| Totals | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% |
| (Unweighted N) | (991) | (739) | (119) | (133) | (382) | (270) | (202) | (156) | (210) | (367) | (258) |


|  | Total | Ideology |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Very liberal | Liberal | Moderate | Conservative | Very conservative | Not sure |
| Should have | 34\% | 9\% | 33\% | 29\% | 49\% | 46\% | 11\% |
| Should not have | 32\% | 70\% | 40\% | 33\% | 25\% | 35\% | 13\% |
| Don't know | 34\% | 21\% | 27\% | 38\% | 26\% | 19\% | 76\% |
| Totals (Unweighted N) | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (991) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 100 \% \\ (62) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (157) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (303) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (261) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & (125) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 100 \% \\ (83) \end{gathered}$ |

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## 5. Serious compared to other presidents

Do you think Nixon's actions regarding Watergate were particularly serious, less serious, or no more or less serious than the sorts of actions generally taken by American presidents during your lifetime?


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\hline \& \multirow[b]{2}{*}{Total} \& \multicolumn{6}{|c|}{Ideology} <br>
\hline \& \& Very liberal \& Liberal \& Moderate \& Conservative \& Very conservative \& Not sure <br>
\hline Nixon's actions were particularly serious relative to actions generally taken by other president \& 33\% \& 56\% \& 44\% \& 38\% \& 23\% \& 33\% \& 22\% <br>
\hline Nixon's actions were no more or less serious that the actions generally taken by other presidents Nixon's actions were less serious than the actions generally taken by other presidents \& $51 \%$
$15 \%$ \& $37 \%$

$7 \%$ \& $43 \%$

$12 \%$ \& $54 \%$

$9 \%$ \& $56 \%$
$22 \%$ \& $40 \%$

$27 \%$ \& $56 \%$
$22 \%$ <br>

\hline Totals (Unweighted N) \& \[
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& (979)
\end{aligned}
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\] \& | $100 \%$ |
| :--- |
| (62) | \& \[

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\begin{aligned}
& 100 \% \\
& (157)
\end{aligned}
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\begin{aligned}
& 100 \% \\
& (297)
\end{aligned}
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\begin{aligned}
& 100 \% \\
& (258)
\end{aligned}
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\begin{aligned}
& 100 \% \\
& (124)
\end{aligned}
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\] \& | $100 \%$ |
| :--- |
| (81) | <br>

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6. Media coverage

Thinking about the media coverage of Richard Nixon, would you say that overall the media coverage has been...

|  | Total | Gender |  | Age |  |  |  | Party ID |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Male | Female | 18-29 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | Democrat | Independent | Republican |
| Too harsh on Nixon | 21\% | 25\% | 18\% | 15\% | 11\% | 23\% | 39\% | 7\% | 22\% | 41\% |
| About fair on Nixon | 39\% | 37\% | 42\% | 35\% | 35\% | 44\% | 41\% | 49\% | 35\% | 33\% |
| Too soft on Nixon | 10\% | 12\% | 8\% | 13\% | 10\% | 11\% | 5\% | 17\% | 8\% | 4\% |
| Not sure | 29\% | 26\% | 33\% | 37\% | 44\% | 22\% | 16\% | 27\% | 35\% | 22\% |
| Totals | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% |
| (Unweighted N) | (991) | (463) | (528) | (162) | (262) | (395) | (172) | (333) | (425) | (233) |


|  | Total | Race |  |  | Family Income |  |  | Region |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | White | Black | Hispanic | Under 40 | 40-80 | 80+ | Northeast | Midwest | South | West |
| Too harsh on Nixon | 21\% | 24\% | 7\% | 16\% | 13\% | 28\% | 27\% | 25\% | 20\% | 22\% | 19\% |
| About fair on Nixon | 39\% | 39\% | 38\% | 41\% | 41\% | 39\% | 42\% | 38\% | 42\% | 35\% | 43\% |
| Too soft on Nixon | 10\% | 9\% | 10\% | 12\% | 10\% | 8\% | 9\% | 6\% | 7\% | 12\% | 12\% |
| Not sure | 29\% | 27\% | 45\% | 31\% | 36\% | 25\% | 23\% | 31\% | 31\% | 31\% | 25\% |
| Totals | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% |
| (Unweighted N ) | (991) | (740) | (118) | (133) | (384) | (269) | (202) | (156) | (210) | (366) | (259) |


|  | Total | Ideology |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Very liberal | Liberal | Moderate | Conservative | Very conservative | Not sure |
| Too harsh on Nixon | 21\% | 9\% | 13\% | 16\% | 36\% | 36\% | 6\% |
| About fair on Nixon | 39\% | 41\% | 47\% | 45\% | 34\% | 43\% | 17\% |
| Too soft on Nixon | 10\% | 36\% | 16\% | 8\% | 6\% | 6\% | 11\% |
| Not sure | 29\% | 14\% | 24\% | 31\% | 25\% | 15\% | 67\% |
| Totals | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% |
| (Unweighted N) | (991) | (62) | (159) | (301) | (260) | (125) | (84) |

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7. Job approval

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Richard Nixon handled his job as president?

|  | Total | Gender |  | Age |  |  |  | Party ID |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Male | Female | 18-29 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | Democrat | Independent | Republican |
| Strongly approve | 6\% | 9\% | 4\% | 3\% | 3\% | 8\% | 12\% | 4\% | 6\% | 12\% |
| Somewhat approve | 26\% | 32\% | 21\% | 22\% | 18\% | 32\% | 33\% | 19\% | 24\% | 45\% |
| Somewhat disapprove | 27\% | 24\% | 30\% | 23\% | 23\% | 29\% | 32\% | 33\% | 27\% | 18\% |
| Strongly disapprove | 15\% | 15\% | 14\% | 10\% | 16\% | 16\% | 14\% | 23\% | 12\% | 6\% |
| Not sure | 26\% | 20\% | 31\% | 42\% | 39\% | 15\% | 10\% | 22\% | 31\% | 19\% |
| Totals | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% |
| (Unweighted N) | (989) | (462) | (527) | (160) | (263) | (394) | (172) | (332) | (424) | (233) |



|  | Total | Ideology |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Very liberal | Liberal | Moderate | Conservative | Very conservative | Not sure |
| Strongly approve | 6\% | 7\% | 1\% | 6\% | 9\% | 10\% | 6\% |
| Somewhat approve | 26\% | 10\% | 19\% | 24\% | 39\% | 41\% | 5\% |
| Somewhat disapprove | 27\% | 29\% | 36\% | 32\% | 21\% | 22\% | 10\% |
| Strongly disapprove | 15\% | 46\% | 24\% | 11\% | 11\% | 13\% | 8\% |
| Not sure | 26\% | 8\% | 20\% | 26\% | 20\% | 14\% | 71\% |
| Totals | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% |
| (Unweighted N) | (989) | (61) | (159) | (302) | (259) | (125) | (83) |

