

Sample 1000 Adult Interviews  
 Conducted March 16 - 18, 2016  
 Margin of Error ±4%

1. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of the Supreme Court of the United States?

Very favorable	10%
Somewhat favorable	38%
Somewhat unfavorable	25%
Very unfavorable	9%
Not sure	18%

2. Do you think that the Supreme Court is too liberal, too conservative or about right?

Too liberal	28%
About right	27%
Too conservative	21%
Not sure	25%

3. In general, do you think presidents in their final year of office:

Should immediately nominate Supreme Court justices if a vacancy occurs	47%
Should let the next president handle any Supreme Court vacancies	36%
Not sure	16%

4. President Barack Obama recently nominated Merrick Garland, a federal appeals judge, to the Supreme Court to fill the vacancy caused by Antonin Scalia's death. Do you approve or disapprove of President Obama's decision to nominate Merrick Garland to the Supreme Court?

Strongly approve	25%
Somewhat approve	18%
Somewhat disapprove	10%
Strongly disapprove	20%
Not sure	27%

5. Regardless of whether you approve or disapprove of the decision to nominate Garland, do you think that Merrick B. Garland would make a good or a bad Supreme Court Justice?

Good .....	37%
Bad .....	15%
Not sure .....	48%

6. Do you think Republicans in the Senate should or should not hold hearings on the nominee?

Should hold hearings .....	52%
Should not hold hearings .....	28%
Not sure .....	20%

7. Which best describes why you don't think the Senate should hold hearings?

*Asked of those who said the Senate should not hold hearings*

I don't think the Senate should consider any nominee appointed by a president whose term is almost over .....	39%
I don't trust President Obama to nominate someone who'd do a good job .....	31%
I don't think Merrick Garland would be a good Supreme Court justice .....	6%
Not sure .....	25%

8. Do you think Merrick Garland's views are:

Too liberal .....	17%
About right .....	22%
Too conservative .....	4%
I don't know enough about him to say .....	57%

9. How likely do you think it is that the nomination of Merrick B. Garland will be blocked by the Senate?

Very likely .....	35%
Somewhat likely .....	28%
Somewhat unlikely .....	7%
Very unlikely .....	5%
Not sure .....	25%

10. Who would you trust more to nominate Supreme Court justices?

The Republican Party .....	25%
The Democratic Party .....	30%
Both parties would do an equally good job .....	20%
Not sure .....	25%

11. How important will future appointments to the U.S. Supreme Court be in your vote for president this November?

Very important .....	37%
Somewhat important .....	25%
Not very important .....	9%
Not at all important .....	6%
Not sure .....	11%
I don't plan to vote .....	12%

<b>Interviewing Dates</b>	March 16 - 18, 2016
<b>Target population</b>	U.S. citizens, aged 18 and over.
<b>Sampling method</b>	Respondents were selected from YouGov's opt-in Internet panel using sample matching. A random sample (stratified by gender, age, race, education, voter registration, political ideology, party identification, geographic region, and voter registration) was selected from the 2014 American Community Study. Voter registration and party identification were imputed from the November 2014 Current Population Survey Registration and Voting Supplement.
<b>Weighting</b>	The sample was weighted using propensity scores based on gender, age, race, education, political ideology, geographic region and voter registration. The weights range from 0.033 to 6.446, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.834.
<b>Number of respondents</b>	1000
<b>Margin of error</b>	± 4% (adjusted for weighting)
<b>Survey mode</b>	Web-based interviews
<b>Questions not reported</b>	20 questions not reported.