

Topline Results

NLIRH National Voter Survey

Fielded January 28 to February 11, 2016

Among N=1,011 Latino registered voters

Margin of sampling error for total results = \pm 5.1 percentage points
February 2016

S1. Are you currently registered to vote in the U.S.?

Yes, I am registered at my present address94

Yes, I am registered at a different address6

No TERMINATE

Not sure/refused TERMINATE

S2. This coming November will be the election for president. What are your chances of voting in this election? 0 to 10 SCALE: 0 definitely not vote to 10 definitely vote

	10	10 to 6	5	0 to 4	0	Mean
Total	72	90	4	6	2	9.0

Thank you for taking this survey. The main topic of the survey is abortion. Many people have different views on this topic. The purpose of this survey is to understand all of the different views people have on the topic.

1. In 1973, the Supreme Court's *Roe v. Wade* decision established a woman's constitutional right to have an abortion. Would you like to see the Supreme Court overturn its *Roe v. Wade* decision, or not?

Overtun *Roe v. Wade*33
Do not overturn *Roe v. Wade*67
DK/REF1

2. In general, do you tend to pay attention to a candidate's views on a woman's right to get an abortion?

Yes69
No31
DK/REF0

3. Now or in the past, can you imagine a situation where an abortion could be the right choice for you or your partner?

Yes, I can imagine a situation54
No, it would never be the right choice45
DK/REF1

Here are some statements about abortion. It is okay if you have conflicted feelings on the topic. Think about your genuine feelings or thoughts on the issue, not what others think or feel, or what you might say to others.

Do you agree or disagree: RANDOMIZE

	Total agree	Strongly agree	Smwt agree	Total disagree	Smwt disagree	Strongly disagree
4. Each woman should have the right to make her own decision on abortion, even if I may disagree with her reasons.	78	56	22	20	10	11
5. As long as the law says women have a right to an abortion, it should be safe and accessible for women who have decided to have one.	79	57	22	21	10	11
6. Even though some church leaders take a position against abortion, when it comes to the law, I believe it should remain legal.*	69	47	22	31	11	20
7. We should not judge someone who feels they are not ready to become a parent.	71	48	23	28	16	12

	Total agree	Strongly agree	Smt agree	Total disagree	Smt disagree	Strongly disagree
8. Whether she has private or government funded health coverage, every woman should have coverage for the full range of pregnancy-related care, including prenatal care and abortion.	69	48	21	30	15	15
9. A woman [SPLIT A: has a right to] make her own personal decisions about abortion without politicians interfering. (N=479)	77	57	20	23	10	13
9. A woman [SPLIT B: should be able to] make her own personal decisions about abortion without politicians interfering. (N=532)	82	61	21	17	7	10
10. Abortion is ending a potential life.	77	55	22	22	12	10

11. Who should decide how far along in her pregnancy a woman can have a legal abortion? RANDOMIZE EXCEPT OTHER Check all that apply.

Doctors and health care providers	66
Politicians in Congress	3
Politicians at the state level	2
The Supreme Court	8
The pregnant woman	42
The pregnant woman and her family.....	29
Clergy/church leaders.....	3
Other (specify____)	8
DK/REF	1

12. If a close friend or family member told you she had an abortion, would you:

Give her a lot of support.....	58
Give her some support	25
Give her a little support.....	6
Not give her any support.....	9
DK/REF	1

13. Do you agree or disagree: My personal religious values can support a woman making her own decision about abortion.

Strongly agree	30
Somewhat agree.....	20
Somewhat disagree	18
Strongly disagree.....	19
I'm not religious.....	13
DK/REF	1

Let's say a woman has decided to have an abortion. Would you want the experience to be... RANDOMIZE

	Yes	No	DK/REF
14. Safe	88	5	7
15. Legal	76	18	6
16. Supportive	77	17	6
17. Respectful of her decision	83	11	6
18. Without added burdens	68	25	7
19. Affordable	73	20	7
20. Without pressure	75	19	6
21. Non-judgmental	79	15	7
22. Informed by medically accurate information	92	3	4
23. Emotionally difficult	34	59	6
24. Expensive	19	75	7
25. Embarrassing	17	76	7
26. Difficult in terms of travel and logistics	19	75	6
27. With added burdens	20	73	6

28. Do you think it would be a positive or negative thing if women felt able to talk more openly about having an abortion?

Positive thing77
 Negative thing22
 DK/REF1

29. Have you heard of a recent trend of states passing laws making it harder for women to get abortion care?

Yes37
 No27
 I'm not sure35
 DK/REF1

Since 2010, states across the country have passed 288 laws that make it harder for women to get abortion care. The 288¹ laws tend to fall into these categories:

- Requiring women to have an ultrasound, whether or not the doctor says it is necessary
- Requiring the doctor to describe the ultrasound image or display it in front of the woman
- Requiring doctors to give women medically inaccurate information
- Requiring women to make multiple, medically unnecessary appointments for care
- Requiring women to get counseling from health centers that advise or try to coerce women to carry an unwanted pregnancy to term
- Making it illegal for insurance plans to cover abortion care
- Making it illegal for Medicaid to cover abortion care, even when the woman's health is at risk
- Making safe and medically proven abortion procedures illegal²

30. What is one word that describes how you feel about this trend? 30 most common terms



¹ <http://rhrealitycheck.org/article/2016/01/04/attacks-abortion-rights-continued-2015-ensnaring-family-planning-funding-fetal-tissue-research/>

² http://www.nytimes.com/2015/04/08/us/kansas-bans-common-second-trimester-abortion-procedure.html?_r=0

31. Do you feel this trend is going in the right direction or the wrong direction?

Right direction32
Wrong direction.....65
DK/REF3

32. Now that you know about this trend, do you plan on paying attention to a candidate's views on a woman's right to get an abortion?

Yes82
No 15
DK/REF3

33. Do you think a woman's ability to control whether or when she has children is related to her financial stability? By financial stability I mean a stable income and enough resources to support a decent living now and in the future.

Yes52
No 19
I'm not sure29
DK/REF1

Do you agree or disagree: ROTATE Q34 AND Q35

34. Access to birth control and abortion helps women pursue their education goals, have careers, improve their family's financial stability, and as a result, improve the economy overall.

Strongly agree36
Somewhat agree.....32
Somewhat disagree 14
Strongly disagree.....17
DK/REF2

35. A woman should be able to get birth control through her health insurance, even if her boss disagrees with the idea of birth control.

Strongly agree	68
Somewhat agree.....	19
Somewhat disagree	6
Strongly disagree.....	5
DK/REF	2

36. Do you agree or disagree: However we feel about abortion, politicians should not be allowed to deny a woman's health coverage for it just because she's poor.

Strongly agree	67
Somewhat agree.....	14
Somewhat disagree	9
Strongly disagree.....	9
DK/REF	1

37. In general, what is your feeling right now:

Abortion should be legal in almost all cases	27
Abortion should be legal in most cases	21
Abortion should only be legal in cases of rape, abuse, or if the woman's health is at risk	36
Abortion should never be legal	15
DK/REF	2

38. Do you consider yourself:

Pro-life	30
Pro-choice.....	25
Both	24
Neither.....	11
I'm not sure	10
DK/REF	0

39. Thinking about state and local elections, would you say you:

Always vote.....	43
Almost always vote	31
Sometimes vote	16
Don't usually vote	8
I'm not registered to vote/ I don't vote in elections	1
DK/REF	1

40. In general, would you say you are religious, or not?

Yes	71
No	28
DK/REF	1

41. IF YES: Do you consider yourself:

Catholic.....	59
Evangelical or Protestant	20
(Baptist, Methodist, Episcopalian, Presbyterian, Lutheran)	7
Non-denominational Christian.....	1
Mormon/LDS/Latter-Day Saints.....	1
Jewish	0
Muslim	0
Buddhist.....	0
Hindu	0
Unitarian.....	0
Not part of any of religion	11
Other (SPECIFY_____)	1
DK/REF	0

Gender

Female	50
Male	50

Age

18 to 44.....	52
45 to 59.....	27
60+	22

Race

White	0
Black/African-American	0
Latino	100
Other	0
2+ races	0

Education

Less than high school	13
High school.....	34
Some college.....	31
Bachelor's degree or higher	22

Income

<\$25,000	17
\$25,000 to \$49,999.....	24
\$50,000 to \$99,999.....	46
\$100,000+	14

Party ID

Strong Republican	11
Not strong Republican.....	5
Leans Republican.....	14
Independent/Undecided	2
Leans Democrat.....	17
Not strong Democrat.....	21
Strong Democrat	30

Marital status

Married	64
Widowed	3
Divorced	9
Separated	2
Never married.....	18
Living with partner	5

Region

Northeast.....	17
Midwest	10
South.....	35
West.....	39