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## **NATIONAL: CLIMATE CONCERNS INCREASE; MOST REPUBLICANS NOW ACKNOWLEDGE CHANGE**

*Americans support government action but few see that as likely*

West Long Branch, NJ – An increasing number of Americans believe climate change is occurring, including a majority who now see this issue as a very serious problem, according to the latest **Monmouth University Poll**. Most Americans are optimistic that there is still time to prevent the worst effects of climate change and support taking action, but they are not confident in the government’s ability or willingness to do something about it. A clear majority of Republicans currently acknowledge that climate change is happening – which marks a shift in opinion from three years ago – but there continues to be a wide partisan gap in how serious the problem is and what should be done about it.

Nearly 8-in-10 Americans (78%) believe the world’s climate is undergoing a change that is causing more extreme weather patterns and sea level rise, up from 70% in December 2015. Of note, nearly two-thirds of Republicans (64%) now believe in climate change, a 15 point jump from just under half (49%) three years ago. However, belief in climate change continues to be higher among Democrats (92%, up from 85% in 2015) and independents (78%, up from 74%). The poll was conducted before last week’s release of the federal government’s Fourth National Climate Assessment and President Donald Trump’s remarks this week questioning the report.

“The president has cast doubt on the existence of climate change even though a majority of his fellow Republicans now acknowledge it as a reality. Of course, the poll was conducted earlier this month, so it is entirely possible that some of his supporters have changed their minds again now that Trump has weighed in. That’s just the nature of American public opinion today,” said Patrick Murray, director of the independent Monmouth University Polling Institute.

A majority of Americans (54%) currently say that climate change is a *very serious* problem, which is up significantly from 41% in Monmouth’s 2015 poll. Another 17% say climate change is a

somewhat serious problem and 7% say it is not too serious. The remainder say climate change is not happening (16%) or don't know if it is happening (5%).

Although the vast majority of Americans believe climate change is occurring, there continues to be a significant partisan divide about the seriousness of the problem. More than 8-in-10 Democrats (82%) say climate change is a very serious problem, an increase of 19 percentage points from 63% in 2015. Half of independents (51%, up from 42%) say climate change is a very serious problem and only a quarter of Republicans (25%, up from 18%) feel the same.

Belief in climate change is nearly the same among Americans who live in coastal states (79%) and those who live in inland states (77%). However, coastal state residents (61%) are more likely than inland state residents (44%) to see climate change as a *very serious* problem. This gap is wider than it was three years ago, when 44% of coastal state residents and 38% of inland state residents said climate change was a very serious problem.

Public opinion is split on the cause of climate change. A plurality of Americans (37%) say human activity and natural changes in the environment are equally to blame. Three-in-ten (29%) say human activity is more to blame and 10% say natural changes in the environment are the larger cause. These results are similar to the Monmouth poll taken three years ago. Democrats (45%) continue to be more likely than independents (29%) and Republicans (13%) to say climate change is caused mainly by human activity.

Regardless of the cause, a majority of Americans (54%) say there is still time to prevent the worst effects of climate change. Another 16% say it is too late to act and 4% volunteer that there is nothing we can or should do about it. The remainder are unsure if there is still time to prevent the worst effects or do not believe climate change is happening. Among the just over half who say there is still time, 31% of that group feel we have to act in the next year or two to prevent the worst effects of climate change, 46% say we need to act in the next 10 to 15 years, and 17% say we have more time than that to act.

“Scientists have long agreed that climate change is a very serious problem, and it is past time to take action. Now it is clear that a majority of Americans regardless of political party agree,” said Tony MacDonald, director of the Urban Coast Institute at Monmouth University and a co-author of the new federal climate report's chapter on the U.S. Northeast region.

Most Americans (69%) support the government doing more to reduce the type of activities that cause climate change and sea level rise, while just 22% oppose it. Support for government action is slightly higher than in 2015 when 64% were in favor and 26% were opposed. There are predictable partisan differences, with 85% of Democrats, 70% of independents, and 51% of Republicans supporting government action. These partisan results were similar in 2015 when 77% of Democrats, 66% of independents, and 47% of Republicans supported government action.

Although most Americans support Washington doing more about climate change, they have little confidence in the government’s ability to do so. Slightly over half of Americans are either not too (26%) or not at all (31%) confident in the government’s ability to reduce these activities. Another 31% are somewhat confident and only 8% are very confident. This lack of confidence is one area that produces bipartisan agreement. The majority of Republicans (55%), Democrats (55%), and independents (61%) are not too or not at all confident.

Americans are also not betting that Congress will take action on climate change in the next few years. A little over half say it is not too (30%) or not at all (24%) likely that Congress will act soon, while four-in-ten say it is somewhat (34%) or very (8%) likely. Majorities of Democrats (56%), Republicans (55%), and independents (53%) do not think it is likely that Congress will act in the next few years.

“House Democrats have pledged that they will take on climate change in the new Congress. This issue is being pushed hard by the party’s newly elected class of representatives which reflects the fact that this topic is a particular concern among younger Americans,” said Murray, the poll director.

The poll finds significant differences in climate change opinions based on age. Two-thirds (67%) of Americans who are 18 to 34 years old see climate change as a *very serious* problem compared to half (51%) of those age 35 to 54 and just under half (46%) of Americans age 55 and older. Younger Americans are also more optimistic about preventing the worst effects of climate change, with 62% saying there is still time to do this, compared to 51% of those age 35 to 54 and 49% of those age 55 and older. Americans in the 18 to 34 age bracket are more likely to support government action on climate change (82%) than Americans in the 35 to 54 age bracket (66%) and those 55 and older (61%).

The *Monmouth University Poll* was conducted by telephone from November 9 to 12, 2018 with 802 adults in the United States. This time period coincided with the recent California wildfires, but was before the federal government’s Fourth National Climate Assessment was released. The question results in this release have a margin of error of +/- 3.5 percentage points. The poll was conducted by the Monmouth University Polling Institute in West Long Branch, NJ.

## QUESTIONS AND RESULTS

(\* Some columns may not add to 100% due to rounding.)

[Q1-30 previously released.]

31. Do you think that the world’s climate is undergoing a change that is causing more extreme weather patterns and the rise of sea levels, or is this not happening?

TREND:	Nov. 2018	Dec. 2015
Yes, is happening	78%	70%
No, is not happening	16%	22%
(VOL) Don't know	5%	8%
(n)	(802)	(1,006)

32. Would you say this is a very serious, somewhat serious, or not too serious problem?

TREND:	Nov. 2018	Dec. 2015
Very serious	54%	41%
Somewhat serious	17%	19%
Not too serious	7%	9%
(VOL) Don't know	0%	1%
<i>Climate change is not happening (from Q31)</i>	16%	22%
<i>Not sure climate change happening (from Q31)</i>	5%	8%
(n)	(802)	(1,006)

33. Is climate change caused more by human activity, more by natural changes in the environment, or by both equally?

TREND:	Nov. 2018	Dec. 2015
Human activity	29%	27%
Natural changes in the environment	10%	8%
Both equally	37%	34%
(VOL) Don't know	2%	1%
<i>Climate change is not happening (from Q31)</i>	16%	22%
<i>Not sure climate change happening (from Q31)</i>	5%	8%
(n)	(802)	(1,006)

34. Do you think there is still time to prevent the worst effects of climate change or is it already too late?

	Nov. 2018
Still time	54%
Too late	16%
(VOL) Nothing we can/should do	4%
(VOL) Don't know	5%
<i>Climate change is not happening (from Q31)</i>	16%
<i>Not sure climate change happening (from Q31)</i>	5%
(n)	(802)

[The following question was asked only of those who said "STILL TIME" to Q34; n=424, moe=+/-4.8%.]

34A. How much time do we have to act before it becomes too late – within the next year or two, within the next 10 to 15 years, or do we have more time than that?

	Nov. 2018
Within the next year or two	31%
Within the next 10 to 15 years	46%
More time than that	17%
(VOL) Don't know	6%
(n)	(424)

35. In general, do you support or oppose the U.S. government doing more to reduce the type of activities that cause climate change and sea level rise?

TREND:	Nov. 2018	Dec. 2015
Support	69%	64%
Oppose	22%	26%
(VOL) Depends	4%	4%
(VOL) Don't know	5%	7%
(n)	(802)	(1,006)

36. How confident are you in the government’s ability to reduce the type of activities that cause climate change and sea level rise – very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not at all confident?

	<b>Nov. 2018</b>
Very confident	<b>8%</b>
Somewhat confident	<b>31%</b>
Not too confident	<b>26%</b>
Not at all confident	<b>31%</b>
(VOL) Don't know	<b>3%</b>
(n)	<b>(802)</b>

37. How likely do you think it is that Congress will take action on climate change in the next few years – very likely, somewhat likely, not too likely, not at all likely?

	<b>Nov. 2018</b>
Very likely	<b>8%</b>
Somewhat likely	<b>34%</b>
Not too likely	<b>30%</b>
Not at all likely	<b>24%</b>
(VOL) Don't know	<b>3%</b>
(n)	<b>(802)</b>

[Q38-42 held for future release.]

**METHODOLOGY**

The *Monmouth University Poll* was sponsored and conducted by the Monmouth University Polling Institute from November 9 to 12, 2018 with a national random sample of 802 adults age 18 and older, in English. This includes 398 contacted by a live interviewer on a landline telephone and 404 contacted by a live interviewer on a cell phone. Telephone numbers were selected through random digit dialing and landline respondents were selected with a modified Troidahl-Carter youngest adult household screen. Monmouth is responsible for all aspects of the survey design, data weighting and analysis. Final sample is weighted for region, age, education, gender and race based on US Census information. Data collection support provided by Braun Research (field) and SSI (RDD sample). For results based on this sample, one can say with 95% confidence that the error attributable to sampling has a maximum margin of plus or minus 3.5 percentage points (unadjusted for sample design). Sampling error can be larger for sub-groups (see table below). In addition to sampling error, one should bear in mind that question wording and practical difficulties in conducting surveys can introduce error or bias into the findings of opinion polls.

<i>DEMOGRAPHICS (weighted)</i>
<i>Self-Reported</i>
<i>28% Republican</i>
<i>38% Independent</i>
<i>34% Democrat</i>
<i>49% Male</i>
<i>51% Female</i>
<i>31% 18-34</i>
<i>34% 35-54</i>
<i>36% 55+</i>
<i>64% White</i>
<i>12% Black</i>
<i>16% Hispanic</i>
<i>8% Asian/Other</i>
<i>68% No degree</i>
<i>32% 4 year degree</i>

MARGIN OF ERROR		<i>unweighted sample</i>	<i>moe (+/-)</i>
TOTAL		802	3.5%
REGISTERED VOTER	Yes	716	3.7%
	No	86	10.6%
SELF-REPORTED PARTY ID	Republican	244	6.3%
	Independent	295	5.7%
	Democrat	250	6.2%
IDEOLOGY	Liberal	184	7.2%
	Moderate	281	5.9%
	Conservative	307	5.6%
GENDER	Male	400	4.9%
	Female	402	4.9%
AGE	18-34	143	8.2%
	35-54	293	5.7%
	55+	363	5.2%
COLLEGE GRADUATE	No degree	423	4.8%
	4 year degree	371	5.1%
RACE	White, non-Hispanic	602	4.0%
	Other	174	7.4%
WHITE COLLEGE	White, no degree	308	5.6%
	White, 4 year degree	290	5.8%
INCOME	<\$50K	273	5.9%
	\$50 to <100K	229	6.5%
	\$100K+	240	6.3%
REGION	Coastal state	467	4.5%
	Non-coastal state	335	5.4%

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		TOTAL	REGISTERED TO VOTE		PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		
			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
31. Do you think that the worlds climate is undergoing a change that is causing more extreme weather patterns and the rise of sea levels, or is this not happening?	Yes, is happening	78%	77%	85%	64%	78%	92%	93%	86%	62%
	No, is not happening	16%	17%	10%	29%	15%	6%	4%	8%	32%
	[VOL] Dont Know	5%	6%	4%	7%	6%	2%	3%	6%	6%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	No degree	4 yr degree	White non-Hisp
31. Do you think that the worlds climate is undergoing a change that is causing more extreme weather patterns and the rise of sea levels, or is this not happening?	Yes, is happening	73%	84%	86%	75%	75%	77%	82%	75%
	No, is not happening	23%	9%	10%	21%	17%	17%	14%	18%
	[VOL] Dont Know	4%	7%	4%	4%	8%	6%	4%	7%

		WHITE	WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME		
		Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth	White no degree	White college	<\$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+
31. Do you think that the worlds climate is undergoing a change that is causing more extreme weather patterns and the rise of sea levels, or is this not happening?	Yes, is happening	86%	74%	78%	84%	76%	77%
	No, is not happening	11%	19%	17%	11%	20%	19%
	[VOL] Dont Know	3%	7%	6%	6%	4%	4%

		COASTAL STATES	
		Coastal State	Non-Coastal States
31. Do you think that the worlds climate is undergoing a change that is causing more extreme weather patterns and the rise of sea levels, or is this not happening?	Yes, is happening	79%	77%
	No, is not happening	16%	16%
	[VOL] Dont Know	5%	7%

		TOTAL	REGISTERED TO VOTE		PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		
			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
32. Would you say this is a very serious, somewhat serious, or not too serious problem?	Very serious	54%	53%	58%	25%	51%	82%	82%	62%	29%
	Somewhat serious	17%	17%	17%	24%	19%	9%	9%	19%	19%
	Not too serious	7%	7%	10%	14%	7%	1%	2%	4%	13%
	[VOL] Dont Know	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%
	Climate change not happening - Q31	16%	17%	10%	29%	15%	6%	4%	8%	32%
	Not sure climate change happening - Q31	5%	6%	4%	7%	6%	2%	3%	6%	6%

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		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	No degree	4 yr degree	White non-Hisp
32. Would you say this is a very serious, somewhat serious, or not too serious problem?	Very serious	45%	63%	67%	51%	46%	54%	56%	43%
	Somewhat serious	17%	17%	14%	16%	21%	17%	17%	22%
	Not too serious	11%	4%	5%	8%	8%	7%	7%	9%
	[VOL] Dont Know	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%
	Climate change not happening - Q31	23%	9%	10%	21%	17%	17%	14%	18%
	Not sure climate change happening - Q31	4%	7%	4%	4%	8%	6%	4%	7%

		WHITE	WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME		
		Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth	White no degree	White college	<\$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+
32. Would you say this is a very serious, somewhat serious, or not too serious problem?	Very serious	74%	42%	46%	63%	51%	45%
	Somewhat serious	9%	22%	22%	16%	17%	21%
	Not too serious	3%	10%	9%	5%	8%	9%
	[VOL] Dont Know	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%
	Climate change not happening - Q31	11%	19%	17%	11%	20%	19%
	Not sure climate change happening - Q31	3%	7%	6%	6%	4%	4%

		COASTAL STATES	
		Coastal State	Non-Coastal States
32. Would you say this is a very serious, somewhat serious, or not too serious problem?	Very serious	61%	44%
	Somewhat serious	12%	24%
	Not too serious	6%	9%
	[VOL] Dont Know	0%	1%
	Climate change not happening - Q31	16%	16%
	Not sure climate change happening - Q31	5%	7%



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		TOTAL	REGISTERED TO VOTE		PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		
			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
33. Is climate change caused more by human activity, more by natural changes in the environment, or by both equally?	Human activity	29%	27%	41%	13%	29%	45%	52%	32%	14%
	Natural changes in the environment	10%	10%	11%	15%	10%	6%	4%	6%	18%
	Both equally	37%	38%	32%	33%	38%	40%	36%	47%	28%
	[VOL] Dont Know	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	0%	1%	1%	2%
	Climate change not happening - Q31	16%	17%	10%	29%	15%	6%	4%	8%	32%
	Not sure climate change happening - Q31	5%	6%	4%	7%	6%	2%	3%	6%	6%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	No degree	4 yr degree	White non-Hisp
33. Is climate change caused more by human activity, more by natural changes in the environment, or by both equally?	Human activity	28%	31%	39%	31%	20%	28%	34%	25%
	Natural changes in the environment	12%	9%	5%	11%	14%	10%	9%	12%
	Both equally	31%	44%	41%	31%	40%	38%	36%	36%
	[VOL] Dont Know	3%	0%	1%	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%
	Climate change not happening - Q31	23%	9%	10%	21%	17%	17%	14%	18%
	Not sure climate change happening - Q31	4%	7%	4%	4%	8%	6%	4%	7%

		WHITE	WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME		
		Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth	White no degree	White college	<\$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+
33. Is climate change caused more by human activity, more by natural changes in the environment, or by both equally?	Human activity	39%	23%	29%	27%	37%	31%
	Natural changes in the environment	8%	11%	12%	9%	11%	10%
	Both equally	39%	37%	34%	46%	27%	34%
	[VOL] Dont Know	0%	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%
	Climate change not happening - Q31	11%	19%	17%	11%	20%	19%
	Not sure climate change happening - Q31	3%	7%	6%	6%	4%	4%

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		COASTAL STATES	
		Coastal State	Non-Coastal States
33. Is climate change caused more by human activity, more by natural changes in the environment, or by both equally?	Human activity	33%	25%
	Natural changes in the environment	9%	11%
	Both equally	36%	40%
	[VOL] Dont Know	2%	2%
	Climate change not happening - Q31	16%	16%
	Not sure climate change happening - Q31	5%	7%

		TOTAL	REGISTERED TO VOTE		PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		
			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
34. Do you think there is still time to prevent the worst effects of climate change or is it already too late?	Still time	54%	55%	49%	37%	53%	70%	71%	60%	38%
	Too late	16%	14%	30%	17%	17%	14%	14%	21%	12%
	[VOL] Nothing we can/should do	4%	4%	3%	5%	4%	3%	3%	2%	7%
	[VOL] Dont Know	5%	5%	4%	4%	4%	5%	5%	3%	5%
	Climate change not happening - Q31	16%	17%	10%	29%	15%	6%	4%	8%	32%
	Not sure climate change happening - Q31	5%	6%	4%	7%	6%	2%	3%	6%	6%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	No degree	4 yr degree	White non-Hisp
34. Do you think there is still time to prevent the worst effects of climate change or is it already too late?	Still time	49%	59%	62%	51%	49%	52%	60%	50%
	Too late	15%	17%	18%	17%	14%	17%	13%	15%
	[VOL] Nothing we can/should do	5%	3%	2%	3%	6%	4%	5%	5%
	[VOL] Dont Know	4%	5%	4%	4%	5%	5%	4%	5%
	Climate change not happening - Q31	23%	9%	10%	21%	17%	17%	14%	18%
	Not sure climate change happening - Q31	4%	7%	4%	4%	8%	6%	4%	7%

		WHITE	WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME		
		Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth	White no degree	White college	<\$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+
34. Do you think there is still time to prevent the worst effects of climate change or is it already too late?	Still time	62%	46%	57%	58%	50%	56%
	Too late	18%	19%	9%	19%	17%	13%
	[VOL] Nothing we can/should do	3%	4%	7%	4%	5%	3%
	[VOL] Dont Know	3%	6%	5%	4%	4%	4%
	Climate change not happening - Q31	11%	19%	17%	11%	20%	19%
	Not sure climate change happening - Q31	3%	7%	6%	6%	4%	4%

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		COASTAL STATES	
		Coastal State	Non-Coastal States
34. Do you think there is still time to prevent the worst effects of climate change or is it already too late?	Still time	55%	52%
	Too late	15%	18%
	[VOL] Nothing we can/should do	3%	5%
	[VOL] Dont Know	6%	3%
	Climate change not happening - Q31	16%	16%
	Not sure climate change happening - Q31	5%	7%

		TOTAL
34A. [IF "STILL TIME" IN Q34, n=424:] How much time do we have to act before it becomes too late - within the next year or two, within the next 10 to 15 years, or do we have more time than that?	Within the next year or two	31%
	Within the next 10 to 15 years	46%
	More time than that	17%
	[VOL] Dont Know	6%

		TOTAL	REGISTERED TO VOTE		PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY			GENDER
			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con	Male
35. In general, do you support or oppose the U.S. government doing more to reduce the type of activities that cause climate change and sea level rise?	Support	69%	67%	79%	51%	70%	85%	88%	78%	51%	64%
	Oppose	22%	23%	14%	39%	20%	9%	9%	12%	38%	28%
	[VOL] Depends	4%	5%	2%	7%	5%	1%	2%	3%	6%	5%
	[VOL] Dont Know	5%	5%	5%	4%	6%	5%	1%	7%	5%	4%

		GENDER	AGE 3-WAY			COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE	
		Female	18-34	35-54	55+	No degree	4 yr degree	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth
35. In general, do you support or oppose the U.S. government doing more to reduce the type of activities that cause climate change and sea level rise?	Support	74%	82%	66%	61%	68%	72%	66%	77%
	Oppose	16%	13%	26%	25%	22%	20%	25%	15%
	[VOL] Depends	3%	2%	4%	7%	4%	4%	5%	3%
	[VOL] Dont Know	6%	4%	4%	7%	5%	4%	5%	5%

		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME			COASTAL STATES	
		White no degree	White college	<\$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Coastal State	Non-Coastal States
35. In general, do you support or oppose the U.S. government doing more to reduce the type of activities that cause climate change and sea level rise?	Support	64%	69%	73%	68%	69%	71%	67%
	Oppose	25%	23%	17%	23%	24%	21%	23%
	[VOL] Depends	6%	3%	4%	6%	3%	4%	5%
	[VOL] Dont Know	5%	5%	7%	2%	3%	5%	6%

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		TOTAL	REGISTERED TO VOTE		PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY			GENDER
			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con	Male
36. How confident are you in the governments ability to reduce the type of activities that cause climate change and sea level rise - very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not at all confident?	Very confident	8%	8%	7%	6%	9%	8%	10%	8%	7%	11%
	Somewhat confident	31%	31%	32%	34%	27%	35%	34%	37%	27%	30%
	Not too confident	26%	25%	30%	22%	27%	30%	27%	28%	26%	21%
	Not at all confident	31%	32%	28%	33%	34%	25%	30%	26%	35%	36%
	[VOL] Dont Know	3%	3%	2%	5%	3%	1%	0%	2%	5%	3%

		GENDER	AGE 3-WAY			COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE	
		Female	18-34	35-54	55+	No degree	4 yr degree	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth
36. How confident are you in the governments ability to reduce the type of activities that cause climate change and sea level rise - very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not at all confident?	Very confident	5%	10%	6%	8%	8%	8%	6%	11%
	Somewhat confident	33%	34%	29%	31%	33%	29%	31%	33%
	Not too confident	32%	33%	25%	22%	25%	29%	26%	27%
	Not at all confident	27%	22%	37%	34%	31%	31%	34%	26%
	[VOL] Dont Know	3%	1%	3%	6%	3%	3%	3%	3%

		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME			COASTAL STATES	
		White no degree	White college	<\$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Coastal State	Non-Coastal States
36. How confident are you in the governments ability to reduce the type of activities that cause climate change and sea level rise - very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not at all confident?	Very confident	7%	6%	8%	6%	10%	8%	8%
	Somewhat confident	33%	27%	34%	31%	29%	31%	32%
	Not too confident	24%	29%	29%	28%	19%	25%	28%
	Not at all confident	33%	36%	27%	32%	39%	33%	28%
	[VOL] Dont Know	4%	2%	2%	4%	3%	3%	4%

		TOTAL	REGISTERED TO VOTE		PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY			GENDER
			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con	Male
37. How likely do you think it is that Congress will take action on climate change in the next few years - very likely, somewhat likely, not too likely, not at all likely?	Very likely	8%	8%	8%	7%	9%	8%	8%	8%	7%	10%
	Somewhat likely	34%	35%	29%	34%	35%	34%	35%	37%	33%	30%
	Not too likely	30%	30%	34%	30%	26%	36%	35%	33%	27%	31%
	Not at all likely	24%	24%	27%	25%	27%	20%	20%	20%	29%	28%
	[VOL] Dont Know	3%	3%	2%	3%	2%	2%	1%	1%	4%	2%

		GENDER	AGE 3-WAY			COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE	
		Female	18-34	35-54	55+	No degree	4 yr degree	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth
37. How likely do you think it is that Congress will take action on climate change in the next few years - very likely, somewhat likely, not too likely, not at all likely?	Very likely	7%	7%	10%	8%	9%	7%	9%	7%
	Somewhat likely	39%	35%	31%	37%	34%	36%	33%	36%
	Not too likely	30%	32%	29%	31%	32%	26%	31%	32%
	Not at all likely	21%	25%	27%	20%	23%	26%	23%	24%
	[VOL] Dont Know	3%	1%	3%	4%	2%	5%	4%	1%

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		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME			COASTAL STATES	
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37. How likely do you think it is that Congress will take action on climate change in the next few years - very likely, somewhat likely, not too likely, not at all likely?	Very likely	10%	7%	7%	8%	8%	8%	8%
	Somewhat likely	33%	34%	39%	29%	34%	36%	32%
	Not too likely	33%	27%	30%	34%	29%	31%	30%
	Not at all likely	21%	27%	22%	27%	26%	22%	28%
	[VOL] Dont Know	3%	5%	2%	2%	3%	3%	3%