

Latino Decisions Immigration Poll – March 5 - Toplines

1. On the whole, what are the most important issues facing the [Hispanic/Latino] community that you think Congress and the President should address? [Open ended, may select one or two]

Immigration reform.....	58
Create more jobs / Fix the economy.....	38
Education reform / schools.....	19
Health care.....	15
Gun violence / gun control / public safety.....	2
Address Taxes / Cut taxes.....	2
Race relations / discrimination against Latinos.....	2
Abortion / gay marriage / family values.....	2
War in Afghanistan / Foreign policy.....	1
Housing / mortgages.....	1
Issues related to women.....	0
Global warming / environment.....	0
Something else.....	5
Don't know.....	8
Refused.....	0

For each, please tell me whether you have heard of the person, and if your impression is very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable. If you have no opinion, or have never heard of the person, just let me know. How about [NAME.] Do you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable impression of [NAME]?

	very fav	some fav	some unfav	very unfav	no opin	never heard
2. President Barack Obama.....	56	21	8	13	2	0
3. Democrats in the Congress.....	31	33	11	14	10	2
4. Republicans in the Congress.....	7	24	21	32	14	2

5. Have you heard or read anything, in the news or elsewhere, about the immigration reforms Congress is considering?

Yes.....	75
No	23
Don't Know.....	2
Refused.....	0

6. With all the different issues the new Congress and President must address, how important do you think it is for them to address immigration reform this year? Do you think it is: extremely important, very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important?

Extremely important.....	32
Very important.....	42
Somewhat important.....	19
Not too important.....	4
Not at all important.....	2
Don't know.....	1
Refused.....	0

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7. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Barack Obama is currently doing handling immigration policy?

Strongly approve.....42
Somewhat approve.....28
Somewhat disapprove.....8
Strongly disapprove.....14
Don't know.....8
Refused.....1

8. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Democrats in Congress are currently doing handling immigration policy?

Strongly approve.....25
Somewhat approve.....36
Somewhat disapprove.....12
Strongly disapprove.....14
Don't know.....13
Refused.....1

9. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Republicans in Congress are currently doing handling immigration policy?

Strongly approve.....7
Somewhat approve.....18
Somewhat disapprove.....18
Strongly disapprove.....40
Don't know.....16
Refused.....1

10. Now thinking about the elections for U.S. Congress in November of 2014, do you think you will vote for the Democratic candidate or the Republican candidate in your district?

Will vote Democrat.....56
Undecided but likely to support Democrat.....7
Undecided / Don't know.....20
Undecided but likely to support Republican.....2
Will vote Republican.....14
Refused.....2

11. Some people have said that Congress and the President need to put all their focus on fixing the economy and creating jobs, and not worry about addressing immigration until much later. Other people have said that fixing our immigration system now is just as important as fixing our economy and Congress should address both issues this year. How about you? Do you think we should focus just on the economy now, or that we should focus on both the economy and immigration reform now?

Just focus on economy now.....21
Both economy and immigration.....78
Neither / Other.....0
Don't know.....1
Refused.....0

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12. Would you be more or less likely to vote for a Republican candidate in the future if Republicans take a leadership role in passing comprehensive immigration reform including a pathway to citizenship, or would it have no impact on your vote?

More likely to support.....44
Less likely to support.....8
Don't care what they say.....42
It Depends / Don't know.....6
Refused.....0

13. Would you be more or less likely to vote for a Republican candidate in the future if Republicans take a leadership role in blocking comprehensive immigration reform or work to block the option for a pathway to citizenship, or would it have no impact on your vote?

More likely to support.....14
Less likely to support.....42
Don't care what they say.....37
It Depends / Don't know.....6
Refused.....1

14. Would you be more or less likely to vote for a Democratic candidate in the future if Democrats take a leadership role in passing comprehensive immigration reform including a pathway to citizenship, or would it have no impact on your vote?

More likely to support.....61
Less likely to support.....6
Don't care what they say.....30
It Depends / Don't know.....3
Refused.....0

15. Would you be more or less likely to vote for a Democratic candidate in the future if Democrats take a leadership role in blocking comprehensive immigration reform or work to block the option for a pathway to citizenship, or would it have no impact on your vote?

More likely to support.....19
Less likely to support.....35
Don't care what they say.....39
It Depends / Don't know.....6
Refused.....1

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16. Okay, now let's say it's the general election and the contest is between a Democrat and a Republican.

The Democrat says, quote – we are a nation of immigrants, and we can't just deport 11 million people. Let's work together to find a way to provide a path to citizenship for undocumented immigrants – end quote.

The Republican says, quote – we are a nation of LEGAL immigrants. Those who came here illegally have broken the law and we are not going to reward them with citizenship – end quote.

Which of these two candidates would you be the most likely to support?

The Democrat – who supports a pathway to citizenship.....	72
The Republican –who says no rewards for illegal immigrants.....	18
Neither of them.....	4
Don't know.....	4
Refused.....	2

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The Republican – who supports a pathway to citizenship.....	63
The Democrat –who says no rewards for illegal immigrants.....	28
Neither of them.....	3
Don't know.....	6
Refused.....	0

18. If comprehensive immigration reform is not passed this year, which party do you think will be most to blame for that outcome?

Democrats.....	15
Republicans.....	60
Both equally.....	10
Neither.....	3
Don't know.....	12
Refused.....	1

19. For more than ten years, different plans to pass immigration reform have failed. Which party do you think has been most responsible for blocking immigration reform over these last several years?

Democrats.....	10
Republicans.....	64
Both equally.....	10
Neither.....	2
Don't know.....	13
Refused.....	1

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20. Thinking back over all the times you have voted, have you ever voted for a Republican in any local, state, or national election?

Yes.....	52
No.....	44
Don't recall.....	3
Refused.....	1

21. Thinking back over all the times you have voted, have you ever voted for a Democrat in any local, state or national election?

Yes.....	89
No.....	9
Don't recall.....	1
Refused.....	1

22. Would you say the Democratic Party is currently doing a good job of reaching out to Hispanic/Latinos, that they don't care too much about Hispanic/Latinos, or that they are being hostile towards Hispanic/Latinos?

Doing a good job.....	72
Don't care too much.....	17
Being hostile.....	4
Don't know.....	6
Refused.....	1

23. Would you say the Republican Party is currently doing a good job of reaching out to Hispanic/Latinos, that they don't care too much about Hispanic/Latinos, or that they are being hostile towards Hispanic/Latinos?

Doing a good job.....	21
Don't care too much.....	45
Being hostile.....	22
Don't know.....	10
Refused.....	2

24. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as:

Strong Democrat.....	32
Democrat.....	18
Independent, Lean Democrat.....	21
Independent.....	6
Independent, Lean Republican.....	11
Republican.....	4
Strong Republican.....	7
Other party.....	0
Refuse.....	1