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**Survey of Latino Undocumented Immigrants March 2013**

**SOCIAL CONNECTIONS IN AMERICA**

Are any of the following list of family members, also living somewhere here in the United States?

	Yes
1. Spouse	62%
2. Children	74%
4. Mother or Father	24%
5. Sister or Brother	62%
6. Cousin	61%
7. Aunt or Uncle	41%

8. Do you have any family members who are American citizens or legal permanent residents?  
[Allow multiple replies]

Yes, American citizens	71%
Yes, legal residents	59%
No, neither of these	18%

9. Are you currently single, married, divorced, widowed or have a partner of the same-sex?

Married	57%
Single	29%
Divorced	4%
Widowed	3%
Same sex partner.	2%
Other.	5%

10. Is your spouse or partner a US citizen, a permanent resident, or something else ?

Citizen.	13%
LPR	16%
Something else	61%
Don't know/Refused	9%

11. Do you have children? If yes: "Were they born here in the United States, or in another country?"

Yes – born in US	50%
Yes – born in US and another country	12%
Yes – born in another country	19%
No, do not have children	19%

**COMBINED PERSONAL CONNECTION WITH U.S. CITIZENS**

Have a U.S. citizen spouse – *or* U.S. born child – *or* have family member that is U.S. citizen (Q8, Q10, Q11)

Yes	85%
No	15%

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12. In a brief couple of words, please tell me what kind of job you currently have

Construction	19%	Factory	13%
Restaurant	13%	House cleaning	12%
Agriculture	10%	Childcare	8%
Gardening	5%	Other category	20%

13. How have you lived in the United States?

5 years or less	11%
6 – 10 years	22%
11 – 15 years	26%
16 – 20 years	21%
Over 20 years	21%

14. When you first came to the U.S. how old were you?

Less than 18 years old	23%
18 – 24 years old	38%
25 – 30 years old	20%
31 – 40 years old	13%
41 years or older	6%

15. Do you currently own or rent your home, or live with someone else?

Own	15%
Rent	67%
Live with someone else	16%

16. Do you own your own car, or does someone else in your household own a car, or not?

Own a car	48%
Someone in my house owns car	23%
No, do not own a car	28%

**REASONS FOR MIGRATION**

17. In talking to immigrants, we have learned that people come to the U.S. for a lot of different reasons. How about you? Thinking back to when you first came to the U.S., which of the following list of reasons was the main reason why you immigrated to the U.S.? [READ AND ROTATE]

For better jobs and economic opportunities	39%
To create a better life for your family or children	38%
To reunite with family members who were already here	12%
To escape political oppression and for freedom	4%
Something else	6%

**REACTIONS TO COMPREHENSIVE IMMIGRATION REFORM**

18. In past years, Congress has tried but failed to pass comprehensive immigration reform that includes a path to citizenship for those currently living in the United States without papers. Thinking about the efforts this year, would you say you are more optimistic or hopeful that they will succeed than in years past, are you less optimistic, or are there no differences in your expectations?

More optimistic/hopeful	67%
Less optimistic/hopeful	8%
About the same	21%
DK	4%

19. Now I want to ask you some questions about your views should immigration reform be passed this year. Suppose the law also allowed you to eventually become a United States citizen. Would you become a citizen or not?

Become a US citizen	87%
Not sure / other	13%