



WEEKLY LATINO TRACKING POLL 2018: WAVE 1 – 9/05/18

1. Many people are busy and don't get a chance to vote in every election. Thinking ahead to the November 2018 election, what would you say the chances are that you will vote in the election for U.S. Congress and other state offices - are you almost certain to vote, will you probably vote, are the chances 50-50, or do you not think you will vote?

Almost certain I will vote 67
Probably will vote 18
Chances are 50-50..... 11
Probably will NOT vote..... 3
Certain that I won't vote 1

2. On the whole, what are the most important issues facing your community that you think Congress and the President should address? [RANDOMIZE, CAN SELECT TWO]

Stopping Trump and the Republican agenda..... 22
Lowering the costs of health care 20
Protecting immigrant rights 17
Creating more jobs 13
Improving wages and incomes 12
Improving K-12 education and schools 10
Putting an end to racist comments about Latinos 9
Combating terrorism and ISIS 9
Creating more affordable housing 9
Gun rights and safety policy 8
Lowering the cost of college 8
Combating climate change and pollution 8
Stopping Pelosi and the Democratic agenda 7
Criminal justice and police reform..... 6
Border security to control immigration 5
Lowering taxes..... 5
Protecting women's reproductive health 5

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For each of the names below, please indicate 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, that is fine

RANDOMIZE LIST [randomize names]	very fav	some fav	some unfav	very unfav	no opin	never heard
3A. President Donald Trump	11	12	9	60	6	2
3B. Former President Barack Obama	56	21	7	11	4	1
3C. Democrats in Congress.....	21	38	16	13	9	2
3D. Republicans in Congress.....	9	16	23	36	13	3

4. Thinking about the upcoming Congressional elections for U.S. House of Representatives, do you plan to vote for the [ROTATE: Democratic candidate or the Republican candidate]?

Will vote Democrat	57
Leaning Democrat	6
Undecided / Don't know	16
Leaning Republican	3
Will vote Republican	18
Total Democrat	63
Total Republican.....	21

Among likely voters (Certain on Q1)

Will vote Democrat	67
Leaning Democrat	3
Undecided / Don't know	8
Leaning Republican	3
Will vote Republican	19
Total Democrat	70
Total Republican.....	22

5. Compared to the 2014 congressional election, would you say it is MORE important for people to vote this year in 2018, or that it was more important to vote back in 2014, or that it is the same?

More important to vote in 2018.....	67
More important to vote in 2014.....	5
No difference / same level.....	28

6. 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	54
Don't care too much	35
Being hostile.....	10

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7. 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 41
 Being hostile..... 38

8. So far in this election, has anyone from a political party, campaign or any other organization contacted you and asked you to register or vote? Either by knocking on your door, calling you, sending you something in the mail, by e-mail or text, or while you were out in the community?

Yes, I have been contacted..... 41
 No, I have not been contacted 59

9. [IF Q8=YES] And who was it that contacted you? Was it... [allow multiple]

Someone from the Democratic side..... 54
 Someone from the Republican side..... 27
 Someone from a non-partisan org..... 16
 Don't really know..... 14

Some people feel like they know exactly what each party stands for and what each party would do if they had majority control of the Congress. Other people feel like the political parties don't do a good job telling voters why they should support them and vote them in to office. Which comes closest to your own view about politics heading in to the 2018 election?

10. Regardless of which party you support, just think about their messaging and agenda:
 With respect to the Democratic Party and their candidates?

I feel confident in what the Democrats stand for and what they would do if they win a majority in Congress 58

The Democrats have not done a good job telling voters why they should support them and vote them in to office 42

11. Regardless of which party you support, just think about their messaging and agenda:
 With respect to the Republican Party and their candidates?

I feel confident in what the Republicans stand for and what they would do if they win a majority in Congress 39

The Republicans have not done a good job telling voters why they should support them and vote them in to office 61

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Candidates running for Congress are talking about a lot of different policy issues. Please indicate if you would be more likely, or less likely to support a candidate for Congress if they take the following stand. A candidate who...

12. Says we should pass the DREAM Act, which would allow young undocumented immigrants who came to this country as children the chance to live and work legally in the United States and eventually earn a path to citizenship.

Much MORE likely to support this candidate.....	49
Somewhat MORE likely to support this candidate	31
Somewhat LESS likely to support this candidate.....	12
Much LESS likely to support this candidate	8
TOTAL MORE LIKELY	80
TOTAL LESS LIKELY	20

13. Wants to spend \$25 billion to build a 50-foot tall wall along the 2,000 mile U.S.-Mexico border

Much MORE likely to support this candidate.....	16
Somewhat MORE likely to support this candidate	14
Somewhat LESS likely to support this candidate.....	15
Much LESS likely to support this candidate	55
TOTAL MORE LIKELY	30
TOTAL LESS LIKELY	70

14. Calls for universal background checks before anyone can buy a gun, with no loopholes.

Much MORE likely to support this candidate.....	59
Somewhat MORE likely to support this candidate	27
Somewhat LESS likely to support this candidate.....	10
Much LESS likely to support this candidate	5
TOTAL MORE LIKELY	86
TOTAL LESS LIKELY	15

15. Wants to expand access to health care and improve and protect Obamacare.

Much MORE likely to support this candidate.....	49
Somewhat MORE likely to support this candidate	27
Somewhat LESS likely to support this candidate.....	13
Much LESS likely to support this candidate	11
TOTAL MORE LIKELY	76
TOTAL LESS LIKELY	24

16. Calls for cuts to spending on Medicare and Social Security so we can reduce the deficit

Much MORE likely to support this candidate.....	14
Somewhat MORE likely to support this candidate	19
Somewhat LESS likely to support this candidate.....	23
Much LESS likely to support this candidate	45
TOTAL MORE LIKELY	33
TOTAL LESS LIKELY	67

17. Says we should put a justice on the Supreme Court who will strike down *Roe v. Wade* and make all abortion illegal once and for all

Much MORE likely to support this candidate.....	17
Somewhat MORE likely to support this candidate	21
Somewhat LESS likely to support this candidate.....	27
Much LESS likely to support this candidate	35
TOTAL MORE LIKELY	38
TOTAL LESS LIKELY	62

18. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, an independent, or something else?

Republican.....	15
Democrat.....	53
Independent.....	25
Other party.....	2
Don't know.....	6

19. When you watch TV or online videos for entertainment, sports, or just for fun, do you tend to watch...

Mostly English language shows.....	25
More English, but some Spanish shows	25
Shows in both languages equally	30
More Spanish, but some English shows	12
Mostly Spanish language shows.....	8
TOTAL WHO ACCESS ENGLISH.....	92
TOTAL WHO ACCESS SPANISH.....	75

20. When you watch TV or online videos for news and current affairs, do you tend to watch...

Mostly English language shows.....	26
More English, but some Spanish shows	24
Shows in both languages equally	31
More Spanish, but some English shows	11
Mostly Spanish language shows.....	8
TOTAL WHO ACCESS ENGLISH.....	92
TOTAL WHO ACCESS SPANISH.....	74

Methodology. On behalf of NALEO Educational Fund, Latino Decisions interviewed 500 Latino registered voters nationwide from August 28 – September 3, 2018 and carries of margin of error of 4.4%. Each week a fresh sample of 250 registered voters will be added and combined with the previous 250 interviews to create a rolling average for each week, consistent with most tracking polls methodology. Respondents were randomly selected from Latino Decisions partner web panels and confirmed to be registered to vote. The survey was self-administered and available in English or Spanish at the discretion of the respondent. Data were compared to the best known estimates of the U.S. Census Current Population Survey (CPS) for demographic profile of Latino registered voters and weights were applied to bring the data into direct balance with Census estimates.