

Interviewing: November 5 – 8, 2015
Respondents: 1,021 Registered Voters Nationwide
Method: Telephone
Sample: Random digital dial
Weighting: Results are weighted to be representative of registered voters
Sampling Error: +/-3% at the 95% confidence level

Q1. How important to you is the issue of the nation's economy?

	Total
Base	1,021
IMPORTANT [NET]	98%
Very important	86%
Somewhat important	12%
NOT IMPORTANT [NET]	2%
Not very important	2%
Not at all important	0%
Don't know/Refused	1%

Q2. Do you agree or disagree that federal government regulations could contribute to increased costs for gasoline to consumers?

	Total
Base	1,021
AGREE [NET]	75%
Strongly agree	46%
Somewhat agree	29%
DISAGREE [NET]	17%
Somewhat disagree	8%
Strongly disagree	9%
Don't know/Refused	7%

Q3. As you may know, much of the gasoline in the U.S. market currently contains up to a 10% ethanol blend. Most auto manufacturers have said they will not cover vehicle damage caused by higher ethanol fuel blends over 10% if the vehicle is not specifically designed for it. Given that situation, how concerned are you about government requirements that would increase the amount of ethanol in gasoline?

	Total
Base	1,021
CONCERNED [NET]	75%
Very concerned	49%
Somewhat concerned	26%
NOT CONCERNED [NET]	21%
Not very concerned	13%
Not at all concerned	8%
Don't know/Refused	4%

Q4. Some in Washington are currently considering government regulations that would increase the amount of ethanol required in gasoline to a level that would breach the “blend wall” – that is, the point at which the mandate exceeds the level of 10 percent ethanol in the nation’s fuel supply. A nonpartisan government report concluded that breaching the “blend wall” could increase the price of gasoline by up to 26 cents per gallon, and another third party study projected a reduction in the nation’s fuel supply and economic harm due to fuel shortages. Given that situation, how concerned are you about government requirements that could breach the “blend wall” and exceed the 10 percent level of ethanol in the fuel supply?

	Total
Base	1,021
CONCERNED [NET]	78%
Very concerned	55%
Somewhat concerned	23%
NOT CONCERNED [NET]	18%
Not very concerned	11%
Not at all concerned	7%
Don’t know/Refused	4%

Q5. Over 40% of U.S. corn production is currently used to produce ethanol for gasoline. This significantly diverts corn away from the global food supply. Given that, how concerned are you that using even more corn for ethanol production could increase food prices here in the U.S. and increase hunger among the world’s poor?

	Total
Base	1,021
CONCERNED [NET]	77%
Very concerned	55%
Somewhat concerned	22%
NOT CONCERNED [NET]	20%
Not very concerned	11%
Not at all concerned	9%
Don’t know/Refused	3%

DEMOGRAPHICS

Gender

	Total
Base	1,021
Male	47%
Female	53%

Party

	Total
Base	1,021
REPUBLICAN (NET)	23%
Strong Republican	18%
Not-so-strong Republican	5%
INDEPENDENT (NET)	19%
Lean Republican	8%
Lean Democrat	6%
Do not lean either way	5%
DEMOCRAT (NET)	34%
Strong Democrat	25%
Not-so-strong Democrat	9%
Other	11%
Not sure	5%
Don't know/Refused	4%

Ideology

	Total
Base	1,021
CONSERVATIVE (NET)	54%
Very Conservative	27%
Somewhat Conservative	27%
Neither	5%
LIBERAL (NET)	32%
Somewhat Liberal	24%
Very Liberal	8%
Don't know/Refused	9%

Age

	Total
Base	1,021
18 - 24	3%
25 - 34	9%
35 - 49	23%
50 - 64	33%
65+	30%
Don't know/Refused	3%

Education

	Total
Base	1,021
HIGH SCHOOL OR LESS (NET)	33%
Less than high school	5%
High school graduate	28%
ATTENDED COLLEGE (NET)	53%
Some college	22%
Associate's degree	9%
College graduate	22%
Post-graduate	12%
Don't know/Refused	3%

Race/Ethnicity

	Total
Base	1,021
White	68%
Black or African American	12%
Hispanic	7%
Native American or Alaskan Native	1%
Asian or Pacific Islander	2%
Some other race	2%
Don't know/Refused	7%

Income

	Total
Base	1,021
Less than \$5,000	2%
\$5,000 - \$10,000	1%
\$10,000 - \$15,000	4%
\$15,000 - \$20,000	3%
\$20,000 - \$25,000	4%
\$25,000 - \$30,000	4%
\$30,000 - \$35,000	3%
\$35,000 - \$40,000	5%
\$40,000 - \$50,000	6%
\$50,000 - \$60,000	6%
\$60,000 - \$75,000	8%
\$75,000 - \$80,000	4%
\$80,000 - \$100,000	6%
\$100,000 or more	20%
Don't know/Refused	23%

Which of the following best describes where you live?

	Total
Base	1,021
Rural	34%
Urban	17%
Suburban	43%
Don't know/Refused	6%

Are you, or is anyone in your household, a member of a labor union?

	Total
Base	1,021
Yes	15%
No	82%
Don't know/Refused	4%