

ARR #9252**PUERTO RICO**Interviewing dates: *October 27- November 5, 2015*Sample: *805 likely Puerto Rican voters***FINAL TOPLINE**

OA. When Puerto Rico holds elections, would you say that you:

Always vote	79%
Almost always vote	21
Only vote sometimes	-
Rarely or never vote	-
(Not sure)	-

1. What is the biggest problem facing Puerto Rico today-the one that affects you and your family the most? **[RECORD VERBATUM]**

	<u>Oct 2015</u>	<u>Dec 2014</u>	<u>Sep 2012</u>	<u>Sep 2010</u>	<u>Oct 2008</u>	<u>Nov 2007</u>	<u>Nov 2006</u>
Economy	54%	37%	16%	31%	61%	40%	28%
Crime/Drugs	20	22	54	27	16	27	25
Unemployment	18	13	12	17	8	9	10
Politics/Government/Corruption	17	11	4	6	13	17	20
Health care	8	<1	1	3	3	2	2
Cost of living	7	4	1	3	13	11	9
Education	3	1	<1	2	2	1	1
Taxes	3	2	<1	<1	1	2	6
Everything (unspecified)	2	1	1	1	3	-	1
Puerto Rico's Status	2	1	1	1	1	2	2
Sense of security/stability	1	2	2	<1	1	1	1
Lack of values or spirituality	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
Retirement pensions	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Low salaries	1	<1	1	-	1	2	2
Poor streets	<1	<1	2	<1	-	-	-
Poor communication	<1	<1	-	<1	1	-	-
Gas prices	<1	<1	<1	-	2	1	-
Flooding	<1	-	-	-	-	-	-
(Nothing)	1	2	2	2	1	2	3
(Other)	2	1	2	5	1	7	6
(Not sure/refused)	1	<1	1	1	-	-	1



2. Just thinking about the quality of life in Puerto Rico, with 10 representing the best it has been in the last 10 years and 1 being the worst it could possibly be, where do you think the quality of life is today?

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	(DK)
	<u>Worst</u>									<u>Best</u>	
October 2015	22%	7	9	10	22	12	7	7	1	2	1
December 2014	21%	5	9	12	22	10	9	7	1	2	1
September 2012	12%	7	8	9	24	14	10	7	2	4	3
September 2010	17%	3	8	7	24	12	9	8	2	2	6
October 2008	25%	4	10	10	21	10	9	5	2	3	1
November 2007	26%	4	7	8	22	9	9	7	2	3	2

3. Six months from now, do you think general business conditions in your area will be:

	<u>Better</u>	<u>The same</u>	<u>Worse</u>	<u>(DK)</u>
October 2015	6%	25	63	6
December 2014	8%	26	63	4
September 2012	16%	42	33	10
September 2010	19%	41	36	5
October 2008	19%	38	34	9
November 2007	14%	38	43	4
November 2006	19%	27	47	7
July 2006	17%	27	50	5
November 2004	49%	32	5	14
August 2004	31%	43	13	13
December 2003	20%	45	25	10
November 2003	21%	46	24	10

4. Compared to a year ago, do you feel the economy of Puerto Rico is now:

Stronger than last year	6%
About the same	25
Weaker than last year	69
(None)	<1
(Not sure/Refused)	<1



I'm going to read you the names of some political figures. After each one, please tell me whether you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of that person. If you've never heard of someone, please just say so. **(If favorable/unfavorable:)** Is that strongly (favorable/unfavorable) or only somewhat (favorable/unfavorable)?

	<u>Strongly favorable</u>	<u>Somewhat favorable</u>	<u>Somewhat unfav.</u>	<u>Strongly unfav.</u>	<u>(DK)</u>	<u>Never heard of</u>
5. Alejandro Garcia Padilla						
October 2015	5%	16	21	49	7	2
September 2012	15%	31	21	20	10	3
September 2010	25%	32	10	11	9	13
6. Pedro Pierluisi						
October 2015	26%	35	13	13	9	3
September 2012	23%	40	15	12	7	4
September 2010	29%	38	10	11	8	5
October 2008	27%	26	11	17	14	5
November 2007	20%	27	7	12	14	21
7. Eduardo Bhatia						
October 2015	10%	26	19	29	12	4
September 2012	16%	31	17	17	13	5
September 2010	15%	34	16	19	10	7
October 2008	18%	22	16	29	11	4
November 2006	16%	25	15	26	10	9
November 2003	15%	27	13	26	14	6
November 2001	16%	27	17	23	11	6
September 1999	20%	31	9	11	12	17
8. Jaime Perelló						
October 2015	7%	20	21	27	16	10
9. Ricky Rosselló						
October 2015	17%	25	15	23	16	3
10. Thomas Rivera Schatz						
October 2015	16%	28	19	23	11	2
September 2012	15%	22	21	26	13	3
September 2010	16%	23	14	39	5	3



	<u>Strongly favorable</u>	<u>Somewhat favorable</u>	<u>Somewhat unfav.</u>	<u>Strongly unfav.</u>	<u>(DK)</u>	<u>Never heard of</u>
11. Jenniffer Gonzalez						
October 2015	25%	31	16	13	12	4
September 2012	12%	27	20	21	14	5
September 2010	11%	31	14	24	9	11

12. When it comes to political parties, do you consider yourself a:

	<u>PNP</u>	<u>PPD</u>	<u>PIP</u>	<u>Some-thing else</u>	<u>(NS/Ref)</u>
October 2015	33%	17	2	16	33
December 2014	32%	18	2	10	38
September 2012	34%	26	2	13	25
September 2010	33%	22	2	17	27
October 2008	40%	25	2	12	20
November 2007	38%	21	2	14	25
November 2006	28%	25	2	18	26
July 2006	28%	24	2	16	29
November 2004	36%	31	4	20	9
August 2004	36%	27	4	14	19
December 2003	35%	27	3	18	17
November 2003	31%	31	4	19	16
December 2002	33%	28	2	20	17
November 2001	34%	31	4	17	14
November 2000	37%	34	6	13	10
November 30, 2000	38%	33	6	15	8
November 2000	40%	30	6	13	11
September 2000	41%	30	4	13	11
November 1999	40%	33	4	14	9
September 1999	39%	30	4	10	16



13. Would you say your commitment to that party is:

	Very <u>strong</u>	<u>Strong</u>	Only <u>moderate</u>	Fairly <u>weak</u>	<u>(NS/Ref)</u>
October 2015	24%	33	22	10	11
December 2014	23%	19	39	10	10
September 2012	20%	27	39	9	5
September 2010	17%	31	33	10	10
October 2008	26%	26	35	6	6
November 2007	22%	32	30	6	10
November 2006	27%	39	28	5	1
July 2006	16%	28	22	8	27
August 2004	21%	36	19	6	17
December 2003	18%	23	32	7	20
November 2003	17%	19	33	6	24
November 2001	25%	31	25	3	17
November 2000	32%	29	17	4	18
November 30, 2000	28%	21	28	8	15
November 2000	28%	20	32	5	15
September 2000	29%	21	29	4	17
November 1999	25%	33	25	5	11
September 1999	21%	30	31	5	13

[PNP ONLY Q14 - 17]

14. The next election for Governor is still more than a year away, but if the PNP primary for Governor was held today, who would you vote for if the candidates were: [IF NOT SURE: Which one would you lean towards?] [ROTATE]

TOTAL PIERLUISI	40%
TOTAL ROSSELLÓ	34
TOTAL SCHATZ	13
Thomas Rivera Schatz	12%
(Lean Schatz)	1
Ricky Rosselló	32
(Lean Rosselló)	2
Pedro Pierluisi	38
(Lean Pierluisi)	2
(Not sure / Refused)	14



(SKIP IF NOT SURE/REFUSED)

15. What is the main reason you would vote for <insert choice>? **(RECORD VERBATIM)**

	Pierluisi	Rossello	Schatz
Experience	53%	6%	17%
Has done a good job	24	4	3
Has good character – honest, humble, serious	19	14	54
Intelligent/educated	14	19	8
Will work hard for PR	11	20	3
Is a good candidate	4	6	9
From my party	2	5	4
Wants statehood	2	3	-
Has good ideas/new ideas	2	18	6
Young	-	29	-
His relation to his father	-	15	-
To give him an opportunity	-	2	-
Other	2	8	2
Don't know/refused	5	2	-

16. Who would you vote for if the candidates were: **[IF NOT SURE: Which one would you lean towards?]** **[ROTATE]**

TOTAL ROSSELLÓ	43%
TOTAL PIERLUISI	43
Ricky Rosselló	41%
(Lean Rosselló)	2
Pedro Pierluisi	40
(Lean Pierluisi)	3
(Not sure / Refused)	13



17. The next election for Comisionado Residente to represent Puerto Rico in Washington is still more than a year away, but if the PNP primary for Comisionado Residente was held today, who would you vote for if the candidates were: [IF NOT SURE: Which one would you lean towards?] [ROTATE]

TOTAL GONZALEZ	57%
TOTAL PESQUERA	10
TOTAL SEILHAMMER	7
TOTAL BACO	2
TOTAL LABOY	1

Carlos Pesquera	7%
(Lean Pesquera)	3
Jenniffer Gonzalez	56
(Lean Gonzalez)	1
Larry Seilhammer	7
(Lean Seilhammei)	-
Zoé Laboy	1
(Lean Laboy)	-
Luis Baco	2
(Lean Baco)	-
(Not sure / Refused)	22



[PDP ONLY]

18. The next election for Comisionado Residente to represent Puerto Rico in Washington is still more than a year away, but if the PDP primary for Comisionado Residente was held today, who would you vote for if the candidates were: [IF NOT SURE: Which one would you lean towards?] [ROTATE]

TOTAL FERRER	28%
TOTAL BHATIA	22
TOTAL ROSA	10
TOTAL COX-ALOMAR	8
TOTAL PERELLO	4
TOTAL RAMOS	3

Hector Ferrer	26%
(Lean Ferrer)	2
Luis Vega Ramos	3
(Lean Ramos)	-
Eduardo Bhatia	22
(Lean Bhatia)	-
Jaime Perello	4
(Lean Perello)	-
Angel Rosa	10
(Lean Rosa)	<1
Rafael Cox-Alomar	8
(Lean Cox-Alomar)	-
(Not sure / refused)	25

[RESUME ALL]



If the next general election for Governor was held today...[ROTATE NEXT THREE QUESTIONS]

19. Who would you vote for if the candidates were: [IF NOT SURE: Which one would you lean towards?] [ROTATE]

	<u>Oct 2015</u>	<u>Dec 2014</u>
TOTAL PIERLUISI	55%	40%
TOTAL GARCIA PADILLA	14	14
PNP Pedro Pierluisi	52	37
(Lean Pierluisi)	3	3
PPD Alejandro Garcia Padilla	12	13
(Lean Padilla)	2	1
(Not sure / Refused)	32	46

20. Who would you vote for if the candidates for Governor were: [IF NOT SURE: Which one would you lean towards?] [ROTATE]

TOTAL RIVERA SCHATZ	44%
TOTAL GARCIA PADILLA	19
PNP Thomas Rivera Schatz	42%
(Lean Schatz)	2
PPD Alejandro Garcia Padilla	16
(Lean Padilla)	3
(Not sure / Refused)	38

21. Who would you vote for if the candidates for Governor were: [IF NOT SURE] Which one would you lean towards?

	<u>Oct 2015</u>	<u>Dec 2014</u>
TOTAL RICKY ROSSELLÓ	43%	40%
TOTAL GARCIA PADILLA	19	17
PNP Ricky Rosselló	40	37
(Lean Rosselló)	3	3
PPD Alejandro Garcia Padilla	17	16
(Lean Padilla)	2	1
(Not sure / Refused)	37	44



22. Most people believe economic conditions in Puerto Rico are in the worst shape in years—who would you blame most? **[ROTATE]**

	<u>Oct 2015</u>	<u>Dec 2014</u>	<u>Sep 2012</u>	<u>Sep 2010</u>
The Puerto Rican government	47%	44%	27%	27%
The overall world economy	20	27	41	44
The present Commonwealth status	10	9	n/a	n/a
The United States government	4	3	4	2
The private sector	1	1	3	2
(All of the above)	13	11	19	20
(Not sure / Refused)	4	6	5	4



23. How much do you think Puerto Rico's political status as a territory of the United States is to blame for the economic and financial problems on the island?

A great deal	32%
Some	33
Not very much	12
Not at all	15
(Not sure / Refused)	7

24. On a different topic, how important is the status issue to you personally? Is it...

	<u>Oct 2015</u>	<u>Dec 2014</u>
Extremely important	33%	37%
Very important	33	27
Somewhat important	15	13
Not very important	11	12
Not important at all	4	9
(Not sure / Refused)	4	2

25. In general, do you think politicians in Puerto Rico spend too much time on the status issue, about the right amount of time, or do you think they should spend more time on status?

	<u>Oct 2015</u>	<u>Dec 2014</u>
Too much	19%	26%
About right	14	15
Should spend more time	59	52
(Don't know / Refused)	7	7

26. In your opinion, did that vote prove that people are dissatisfied with the current status?

	<u>Oct 2015</u>	<u>Dec 2014</u>
Yes, proved people are dissatisfied	70%	68%
No, did not show people are dissatisfied	20	20
(Not sure / Refused)	10	13



27. In your opinion, did that vote show that most people want statehood, or not?

	<u>Oct 2015</u>	<u>Dec 2014</u>
Yes, showed most people want statehood	60%	62%
No, did not show most people want statehood	30	26
(Not sure / Refused)	10	13

28. Do you favor or oppose seeking statehood for Puerto Rico? **[IF FAVOR/OPPOSE]** Is that strongly or just somewhat (favor/oppose)?

	<u>Oct 2015</u>	<u>Dec 2014</u>
Total favor	61%	60%
Total oppose	24	24
Strongly favor	45	43
Somewhat favor	16	17
Somewhat oppose	7	8
Strongly oppose	17	16
(Not sure)	14	13
(Refused)	2	3

29. **[IF FAVOR]** What is the main reason you favor statehood? **[RECORD VERBATIM. PROBE. ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES.]** What do you see as the primary benefit of statehood?

For a better quality of life	29%
For better benefits and rights	22
To have “equality” with the other states	19
Have more U.S. help	9
To have change	6
To be part of the U.S.	6
Have more stability / security	4
For better opportunities	4
To stop being a colony	3
Would bring more jobs	3
To have voting privileges	2
Other	4
Don’t know	4



30. **[IF OPPOSE]** What is the main reason you oppose statehood? **[RECORD VERBATIM. PROBE. ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES.]** Any other reasons?

We will lose our identity	17%
Would bring more taxes	17
Don't think it will benefit us	16
Prefer independence	13
They won't help us/don't want us	10
Just against it (unspecified)	9
We are fine the way we are	7
What we need is work/resolve things ourselves	6
Other	6
Don't know	4

31. If there is another status plebiscite and the options are **[ROTATE]** statehood for Puerto Rico, keeping things as they are now, or independence, which would you choose: **[READ LIST]**

	<u>Statehood</u>	<u>Indep- endence</u>	<u>Keeping things as they are now</u>	<u>(NS/Ref)</u>
October 2015	58%	9	22	11
December 2014	57%	7	25	11
October 2012*	51%	4	27	17
September 2010	41%	9	41	9
October 2008	46%	8	42	4
November 2007	50%	7	38	4
November 2006	50%	6	38	6
July 2006	46%	6	41	6
November 2004	42%	5	48	5
August 2004	46%	7	43	4
December 2003	44%	8	42	6
November 2003	41%	7	44	8
December 2002	45%	8	43	4
November 2001	48%	3	45	4
November 2000	45%	6	45	6

**Poll wording was identical to 2012 plebiscite question*



32. If there is another status plebiscite and the options are [ROTATE] statehood for Puerto Rico, Sovereign Commonwealth, or independence, which would you choose: [READ LIST]

	<u>Statehood</u>	<u>Indep- endence</u>	<u>Sovereign Commonwealth</u>	<u>(NS/Ref)</u>
October 2015	58%	9	20	13
December 2014	59%	7	20	14



33. Let's say that Puerto Rico has to choose just between statehood or independence, would you choose: **[READ LIST]**

	<u>Statehood</u>	<u>Indep- endence</u>	<u>(NS/Ref)</u>
October 2015	71%	14	16
December 2014	72%	14	14
September 2012	70%	17	13
September 2010	72%	13	15
October 2008	79%	13	7
November 2007	74%	14	12
November 2006	74%	12	14
July 2006	74%	12	14
November 2004	67%	17	16
August 2004	71%	15	13
December 2003	77%	13	10
November 2003	75%	11	13
December 2002	80%	11	9
November 2001	77%	12	12

34. Let's say that Puerto Rico has to choose just between statehood or keeping things as they are now, would you choose: **[READ LIST]**

Statehood	62%
Keeping things as they are now?	27
(Not sure / Refused)	11

35. **(SAMPLE A ONLY)** Let's say that Puerto Rico has to choose just between statehood or Libre Asociación, would you choose: **[READ LIST]**

Statehood	58%
Libre Asociación	27
(Not sure / Refused)	15

36. **(SAMPLE B ONLY)** Let's say that Puerto Rico has to choose just between statehood or Estado Libre Asociado Soberano, would you choose: **[READ LIST]**

Statehood	63%
Estado Libre Asociado Soberano	25
(Not sure / Refused)	12



37. If the U.S. Congress offered Puerto Rico statehood now, would you vote to accept statehood?

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>(NS/Ref)</u>
October 2015	69%	21	10
December 2014	70%	20	10
September 2012	69%	22	9
September 2010	68%	23	10
October 2008	76%	17	7

In thinking about the issue of Puerto Rico’s status, please tell me how important each of the following issues are to you.

	---Important---		---Not important---		
	<u>Very</u>	<u>Some- what</u>	<u>Not very</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>(Not sure)</u>
38. Keeping U.S. Citizenship					
October 2015	79%	12	5	1	3
December 2014	89%	6	2	2	1
*September 2012	74%	18	4	1	3
*September 2010	77%	14	4	2	3
*October 2008	89%	6	1	3	-
<i>*Wording: “U.S. citizenship”</i>					

39. Getting a vote for U.S. President					
October 2015	62%	19	12	3	4
December 2014	70%	12	8	8	2
*September 2012	64%	21	8	4	3
*September 2010	64%	19	7	8	2
*October 2008	77%	10	6	6	1
<i>*Wording: “A vote for U.S. President”</i>					

40. Keeping a separate Puerto Rican Olympic Team					
October 2015	46%	25	15	9	5
December 2014	51%	19	14	12	4
*September 2012	50%	24	14	8	3
*September 2010	57%	23	10	8	3
*October 2008	68%	14	8	8	2

**Wording: “A separate Puerto Rican Olympic Team”*



41. Having both English and Spanish as official languages	October 2015	76%	18	4	1	1
	December 2014	87%	9	2	2	0
	*September 2012	68%	23	5	2	2
	*September 2010	75%	16	4	4	1
	*October 2008	88%	6	3	2	1
<i>*Wording: "Both English and Spanish as official languages"</i>						
42. Creating jobs and fixing the economy	October 2015	87%	9	3	<1	1
	December 2014	97%	2	0	0	0
43. Getting the identical benefits from Washington D.C. as people on the mainland	October 2015	77%	17	3	1	2
	December 2014	79%	10	5	4	2
44. Reducing corruption in Puerto Rican politics	October 2015	81%	16	1	0	2
	December 2014	94%	4	1	1	0
45. Keeping the ability to travel to the mainland without a visa or passport	October 2015	68%	21	5	4	3
	December 2014	81%	10	3	4	2
46. Increasing federal oversight of government spending	October 2015	79%	16	2	1	3
47. Increasing federal oversight of tax collection	October 2015	74%	18	4	1	3
48. Increasing federal oversight of the Puerto Rican judicial system	October 2015	74%	19	3	1	3
49. Getting all the same Constitutional rights and legal protections as citizens on the mainland	October 2015	81%	13	2	2	3



50. How concerned are you that if Puerto Rico becomes a state you would have to pay higher taxes? Are you...

	<u>Oct 2015</u>	<u>Dec 2014</u>
Total concerned	56%	60%
Total not concerned	42	39
Very concerned	32	41
Somewhat concerned	25	19
Not very concerned	17	16
Not concerned at all	25	23
(Not sure / Refused)	2	1

51. How concerned are you personally that, if Puerto Rico becomes a state, we will lose our unique cultural and historical identity? Are you...

	<u>Oct 2015</u>	<u>Dec 2014</u>
Total concerned	46%	53%
Total not concerned	52	45
Very concerned	26	35
Somewhat concerned	19	18
Not very concerned	22	16
Not concerned at all	30	29
(Not sure / Refused)	2	2



Please tell me if you agree or disagree with each of the following statements. **[IF AGREE / DISAGREE: Is that strongly or just somewhat (agree/disagree)?]**

		----Agree----		----Disagree----		<u>(NS/Ref)</u>
		<u>Strongly</u>	<u>Somewhat</u>	<u>Somewhat</u>	<u>Strongly</u>	
52. Becoming a state would not take away Puerto Rico's unique cultural identity, or make us any less Puerto Rican—we will always have that regardless of our political status.	October 2015	56%	21	8	10	5
	December 2014	60%	15	7	14	3
53. If we are ever going to break the cycle of poverty and violence in Puerto Rico, we need to become a state.	October 2015	43%	21	14	17	5
	December 2014	41%	16	11	27	4
54. Becoming a state would be a game changer for Puerto Rico that would give us a fresh start and really get the economy moving.	October 2015	54%	19	10	10	7
	December 2014	49%	21	9	14	7
55. Puerto Ricans already pay federal taxes, are subject to all federal laws, and serve in the military—we deserve the dignity and respect that comes with statehood.	October 2015	61%	19	7	7	6
	December 2014	64%	20	5	9	3



[ROTATE ORDER OF NEXT TWO BLOCKS OF QUESTIONS]

I am going to read some statements you might hear in FAVOR of statehood. Please tell me if you think each one is a very good reason for supporting statehood, a somewhat good reason, or not a good reason. If you don't believe a statement, please just say so. **[RANDOMIZE]**

		----Good reason----				
			Somewhat			
		Very good	good	Not a good	Don't	(NS/Ref)
		<u>reason</u>	<u>reason</u>	<u>reason</u>	<u>believe</u>	
56. Residents of Puerto Rico already pay federal taxes, are subject to all federal laws, and serve in the U.S. military at high rates—it is only fair that Puerto Rico gets the respect and dignity that comes with statehood.	October 2015	61%	21	8	6	4
	December 2014	63%	17	5	12	3
57. Residents of Puerto Rico deserve the same benefits and legal rights as other United States citizens. We need statehood to give us a level playing field in dealing with the federal government.	October 2015	61%	16	9	9	4
	December 2014	66%	13	6	12	3
58. Over half of Puerto Rican households would receive new tax benefits if Puerto Rico becomes a state. A married couple with two children and an annual income of \$25,000 would receive over \$4,000 in new income.	October 2015	52%	22	10	11	6
	December 2014	60%	15	4	17	5
59. Puerto Rico has been a territory for 116 years—longer than any current state waited before becoming a state. It is time to make Puerto Rico a state and to give it the respect it has earned and deserves.	October 2015	58%	19	10	9	5
	December 2014	59%	12	10	15	4



	----Good reason----					<u>(NS/Ref)</u>
	<u>Very good reason</u>	<u>Somewhat good reason</u>	<u>Not a good reason</u>	<u>Don't believe</u>		
60. Puerto Rico faces big, long-term challenges related to our economy and crime, which can only be addressed with the stability and political power that come with statehood. We need statehood to break the cycle of poverty and crime in Puerto Rico.	October 2015	50%	19	12	14	5
	December 2014	50%	15	11	20	3
61. Puerto Rico's tough economic conditions are a direct result of not being a state – we have had to borrow billions of dollars because we don't receive the same federal spending as other states, leaving us without a good way out of debt. To fix the economy, we need to address the root cause and move toward statehood.	October 2015	46%	23	14	10	7



I am going to read some statements you might hear AGAINST statehood. Please tell me if you think each one is a very good reason for opposing statehood, a somewhat good reason, or not a good reason. If you don't believe a statement, please just say so. [RANDOMIZE]

--Good reason--

		<u>Very</u>	<u>Some- what</u>	<u>Not a good reason</u>	<u>Don't believe</u>	<u>(NS / Ref)</u>
62. If Puerto Rico becomes a state it will lose its distinct history, language and culture. It will become Americanized, and there will no longer be anything unique or special about its culture. We need to protect Puerto Rico's culture by rejecting statehood.	October 2015	18%	18	28	31	5
	December 2014	24%	10	22	42	3
63. Washington D.C. politicians will never actually allow Puerto Rico to become a state, so we shouldn't bother asking for it. In the end it will just be an embarrassment when Congress rejects our request for statehood.	October 2015	19%	19	26	29	7
	December 2014	21%	11	20	42	5
64. Puerto Ricans we will end up paying much more in taxes if we become a state and the IRS will be very aggressive about chasing down people who are late in payments.	October 2015	21%	21	26	25	7
	December 2014	27%	14	21	33	5
65. Even if Puerto Rico becomes a state, mainland residents will still discriminate against Puerto Ricans and our businesses.	October 2015	18%	20	26	29	6
	December 2014	22%	14	19	41	3



66. Now that we have discussed the issue in more detail, do you favor or oppose seeking statehood for Puerto Rico? **[IF FAVOR/OPPOSE]** Is that strongly or just somewhat (favor/oppose)?

	Oct 2015	Dec 2014
Total favor	69%	66%
Total oppose	23	24
Strongly favor	53%	52%
Somewhat favor	16	14
Somewhat oppose	6	6
Strongly oppose	17	18
(Not sure)	7	8
(Refused)	1	1

Now I am going to mention some individuals who might speak on the issue of statehood for Puerto Rico. Please tell me if you would find what each one has to say to be very believable, somewhat believable, not very believable, or not believable at all. If you have never heard of an individual, please just say so.

[RANDOMIZE. SPLIT SAMPLE.]

	---Believable---		---Not believable---			(NS/Ref)
	<u>Very</u>	<u>Some- what</u>	<u>Not very</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>Never heard of</u>	
67. A small business owner in Puerto Rico	26%	38	12	9	3	13
68. A Puerto Rican military veteran	38%	37	9	6	1	9
69. Donald Trump	4%	4	18	61	7	7
70. Hillary Clinton	31%	36	10	9	3	10
71. A labor leader	24%	34	16	12	3	11
72. An athlete	21%	32	20	12	3	13
73. A businessman	19%	34	19	13	3	13
74. A middle class Puerto Rican family	33%	34	14	7	1	10
75. A politician	11%	26	24	25	3	12
76. An artist	12%	25	25	22	4	12
77. Barack Obama	30%	33	13	14	1	8
78. Jeb Bush	14%	24	15	22	10	16
79. Marco Rubio	5%	15	14	19	29	18



80. The primary elections for president will be held next year. Do you think you will vote in the Democratic primary, the Republican primary, or will you probably not vote in either primary?

Democratic Primary	25%
Republican Primary	11
Probably not vote	37
(Other)	4
(Not sure / Refused)	23

[IF REPUBLICAN PRIMARY]

81. I'm going to read a list of potential candidates for the 2016 Republican nomination. Please tell me which one you would like to see as the Republican presidential nominee.

[RANDOMIZE LIST]

Jeb Bush	46%
Ben Carson	-
Chris Christie	-
Ted Cruz	2
Carly Fiorina	-
Lindsey Graham	-
Mike Huckabee	1
Bobby Jindal	-
John Kasich	-
George Pataki	3
Rand Paul	1
Marco Rubio	7
Rick Santorum	2
Donald Trump	5
(Other)	5
(None of the above)	6
(Not sure / Refused)	21



[IF DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY]

82. I'm going to read a list of potential candidates for the 2016 Democratic nomination. Please tell me which one you would like to see as the Democratic presidential nominee.
[RANDOMIZE LIST]

Hillary Clinton	79%
Martin O'Malley	1
Bernie Sanders	3
(Other)	4
(None of the above)	3
(Not sure / Refused)	10

83. As you may know, Republicans are generally conservative on most social and economic issues, including supporting prayer in school and lower taxes. With this in mind, how open would you be to consider voting for Republican candidates in the future?

Very open	17%
Somewhat open	27
Not very open	13
Not open at all	24
(Not sure /Refused)	19

84. Do you think Republicans will do more to make Puerto Rico a state, Democrats will do more to make Puerto Rico a state, or do you think that neither one is likely do take any real action on statehood for Puerto Rico?

Democrats will do more	26%
Neither is likely to take any real action	31
Republicans will do more	13
(Both equally likely to take action)	10
(Not sure / Refused)	21

85. What is the highest level of formal education you have completed?

Less than high school	29%
High school	25
Some college or vocational training beyond high school	21
College graduate	22
(Don't know/refused)	3



86. Which of the following describes your current job situation: **[READ LIST]**

You have a full-time job	24%
You have a part-time job	7
You are looking for a job	4
You are not working because of age or disability	34
You are a student	1
You are a full-time mother or homemaker	14
You are neither working nor looking for work	9
You have 2 jobs or supplement with multi-level sales	<1
(None of the above)	6

87. In which of the following categories is your personal income?

Under \$5,000 per year	17%
\$5,000 to \$9,999	16
\$10,000 to \$11,999	8
\$12,000 to \$17,999	8
\$18,000 to \$19,999	6
\$20,000 to \$29,999	9
\$30,000 to \$49,999	6
\$50,000 to \$89,999	4
\$90,000 and over	1
(Don't know)	6
(Refused)	19

88. Which of the following best describes you: **[READ LIST]**

I am a practicing Roman Catholic,	25%
I am a Roman Catholic,	39
I belong to another Christian denomination,	24
I belong to a non-Christian religion, or	3
I don't belong to any religion at all?	6
(Don't know)	2

89. SEX: [OBSERVATION ONLY, DO NOT ASK]

Male	48%
Female	52

