



National Survey Results

Q1 There have been stories in the news recently about how the IRS unfairly targeted certain nonprofit groups for extra scrutiny because their names included words like “patriot” and “tea party.” President Obama and the IRS have apologized to the groups and admitted that the IRS’ behavior was wrong. Have you heard about this story, or not?

Have heard about it 100%
Have not 0%

Q2 Does what you are hearing about the IRS make you more or less likely to trust the IRS in the future, or does it not make a difference?

More likely..... 11%
Less likely 60%
Doesn't make a difference 26%
Not sure 3%

Q3 Some members of Congress want to give the IRS the power to prepare individual tax returns, in addition to the power they already have to collect taxes. Taxpayers would have to give the IRS permission to prepare their returns, but the IRS would need to significantly increase its budget to carry out these powers. Do you support or oppose giving the IRS these additional powers?

Support..... 11%
Oppose 83%
Not sure 7%

Q4 Would you trust the IRS to prepare your tax return, or not?

Would trust the IRS..... 19%
Would not..... 73%
Not sure 7%

Q5 If the IRS prepared your tax return for you, do you think their priority would be to make sure you receive every credit and deduction you are legally entitled to, or to maximize the amount of tax revenue they take in for the government?

Make sure you receive all your credits and deductions 17%
Maximize revenue..... 71%
Not sure 11%

Q6 As Congress begins to consider tax reform later this year, would you be more likely or less likely to vote for a member of congress who supported a plan for the IRS to prepare people’s tax returns, or would it not make a difference?

More likely..... 10%
Less likely 71%
Wouldn't make a difference..... 15%
Not sure 4%

Q7 If you are a woman, press 1. If a man, press 2.

Woman 53%
Man..... 47%

Q8 If you are a Democrat, press 1. If a Republican, press 2. If you are an independent or identify with some other party, press 3.

Democrat 37%
Republican..... 32%
Independent/Other..... 31%

Q9 If you are Hispanic, press 1. If white, press 2. If African-American, press 3. If other, press 4.

Hispanic..... 12%
White 73%
African-American 10%
Other..... 5%



Q10 If you are 18 to 29 years old, press 1. If 30 to 45, press 2. If 46 to 65, press 3. If you are older than 65, press 4.

<i>18 to 29</i>	12%
<i>30 to 45</i>	28%
<i>46 to 65</i>	40%
<i>Older than 65</i>	20%



Crosstabs

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
More/Less Likely to Trust IRS in Future?			
More likely	11%	11%	10%
Less likely	60%	57%	63%
Doesn't make a difference	26%	26%	26%
Not sure	3%	5%	2%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Support/Oppose IRS Prepping Tax Returns			
Support	11%	9%	12%
Oppose	83%	83%	82%
Not sure	7%	8%	6%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Would You Trust IRS to Prep Your Return?			
Would trust the IRS	19%	20%	19%
Would not	73%	72%	75%
Not sure	7%	9%	6%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
IRS Priority: Maximizing Your Return or Their Revenue?			
Make sure you receive all your credits and deductions	17%	18%	17%
Maximize revenue	71%	72%	71%
Not sure	11%	11%	12%





Crosstabs

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
More/Less Likely to Vote for Rep. Who Supports IRS Prepping Taxes			
More likely	10%	9%	12%
Less likely	71%	75%	67%
Wouldn't make a difference	15%	12%	17%
Not sure	4%	4%	5%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
More/Less Likely to Trust IRS in Future?				
More likely	11%	18%	6%	7%
Less likely	60%	45%	76%	62%
Doesn't make a difference	26%	34%	18%	25%
Not sure	3%	3%	0%	7%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Support/Oppose IRS Prepping Tax Returns				
Support	11%	14%	5%	12%
Oppose	83%	77%	88%	84%
Not sure	7%	9%	7%	4%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Would You Trust IRS to Prep Your Return?				
Would trust the IRS	19%	28%	12%	17%
Would not	73%	62%	84%	75%
Not sure	7%	10%	5%	8%





Crosstabs

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
IRS Priority: Maximizing Your Return or Their Revenue?				
Make sure you receive all your credits and deductions	17%	25%	11%	14%
Maximize revenue	71%	61%	82%	74%
Not sure	11%	15%	7%	12%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
More/Less Likely to Vote for Rep. Who Supports IRS Prepping Taxes				
More likely	10%	11%	10%	10%
Less likely	71%	71%	73%	68%
Wouldn't make a difference	15%	15%	11%	18%
Not sure	4%	3%	5%	5%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African- American	Other
More/Less Likely to Trust IRS in Future?					
More likely	11%	20%	7%	16%	23%
Less likely	60%	47%	64%	49%	51%
Doesn't make a difference	26%	29%	26%	23%	27%
Not sure	3%	4%	2%	12%	-

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African- American	Other
Support/Oppose IRS Prepping Tax Returns					
Support	11%	26%	8%	9%	10%
Oppose	83%	70%	86%	79%	76%
Not sure	7%	5%	6%	13%	14%





Crosstabs

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		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
Would You Trust IRS to Prep Your Return?					
Would trust the IRS	19%	34%	16%	20%	26%
Would not	73%	54%	78%	64%	61%
Not sure	7%	12%	5%	16%	14%

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		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
IRS Priority: Maximizing Your Return or Their Revenue?					
Make sure you receive all your credits and deductions	17%	30%	13%	27%	26%
Maximize revenue	71%	58%	76%	60%	61%
Not sure	11%	12%	11%	14%	13%

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		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
More/Less Likely to Vote for Rep. Who Supports IRS Prepping Taxes					
More likely	10%	20%	9%	3%	23%
Less likely	71%	61%	73%	73%	54%
Wouldn't make a difference	15%	12%	14%	18%	21%
Not sure	4%	7%	4%	6%	3%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
More/Less Likely to Trust IRS in Future?					
More likely	11%	13%	11%	10%	10%
Less likely	60%	71%	48%	65%	60%
Doesn't make a difference	26%	16%	34%	23%	27%
Not sure	3%	-	6%	3%	3%





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Oppose	83%	82%	75%	87%	85%
Not sure	7%	3%	8%	6%	10%

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Would You Trust IRS to Prep Your Return?					
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Would not	73%	68%	67%	76%	78%
Not sure	7%	8%	5%	9%	8%

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Wouldn't make a difference	15%	11%	13%	17%	16%
Not sure	4%	5%	3%	3%	7%

