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3. Should the set of measures to stop and reverse illegal immigration, including employment checks, deporting and tracking the entry and exit of foreigners, and the border fence be considered part of national security or federal law enforcement?

- National security: 28%
- Law enforcement: 17%
- Both: 48%
- Neither: 2%
- Not sure: 6%

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**4.** Do you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose large increases in government spending to stop and reverse illegal immigration?

- **Strongly support**: 21%
- **Somewhat support**: 36%
- **Somewhat oppose**: 19%
- **Strongly oppose**: 16%
- **Not sure**: 2%

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5. If illegal immigration could be stopped by shifting about 2% of national security spending to immigration security and enforcement, would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose that shift in spending?

- Strongly support: 41%
- Somewhat support: 33%
- Somewhat oppose: 11%
- Strongly oppose: 6%
- Not sure: 10%

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6. Which is more important: the prevention and reversal of illegal immigration or the ability to attack Iran's nuclear weapons program?

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<td>The prevention and reversal of illegal immigration</td>
<td>56%</td>
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<td>Ability to attack Iranian nuclear weapons</td>
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7. For the last 25 years, Congress has allowed an average of just over one million foreigners per year to immigrate to the U.S. How many immigrants should Congress admit per year in the future?

- 2 million or more: 7%
- 1.5 million: 7%
- 1 million: 20%
- 750,000: 21%
- 500,000 or less: 36%
- Not sure: 15%

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8. The 'diversity visa lottery,' gives away at random 50,000 green cards per year to foreigners from places that have low immigration to the U.S. Should the United States keep the diversity lottery or get rid of the lottery?

- Keep the lottery: 22%
- Get rid of the lottery: 56%
- Not sure: 22%

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9. When it comes to dealing with the 11 million undocumented immigrants in the United States do you support granting a pathway to citizenship for nearly all of them, just some of them provided they meet certain conditions, or none of them?

- Nearly all of them: 7%
- Some of them provided they meet certain conditions: 58%
- None of them: 30%
- Not sure: 5%

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10. If Congress grants a pathway to citizenship for undocumented immigrants, should they be required to pass an 8th grade English course before getting this pathway, or should they be required to take an English course after getting a pathway?

- Pass an 8th grade English test beforehand: 77%
- Take an English course afterward: 13%
- Not sure: 10%

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11. Should a pathway to citizenship be available only to those undocumented immigrants living in the United States for at least 2 years or for at least 5 years?

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<td>Those who have lived here for at least 2 years</td>
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12. Would you be much more likely, somewhat more, somewhat less or much less likely to vote for a Presidential candidate who campaigns on controlled immigration: immigration security and enforcement, restricted amnesty, and controlled legal immigration?

- Much more likely: 50%
- More likely: 30%
- Less likely: 5%
- Somewhat less likely: 3%
- Not sure: 12%

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