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Latino Los Angeles Poll – FINAL TOPLINES 10/24/16

1. What do you think is the most important problem facing Hispanics/Latinos here in Los Angeles today? **[Open ended, Pre-code to list, RESPONDENT MAY SELECT ONE OR TWO – RECORD ORDER OF MENTION IF TWO]**

Unemployment/jobs/economy	25
Education/schools	13
Crime/violence/gangs	10
Affordable housing/rent	9
Discrimination/race relations	22
Police brutality/corruption	5
Government corruption	3
Cost of living	10
Gas prices/energy prices	1
Smog/environment/pollution	1
Water/drought	1
Immigration issues	25
Health care	7
Labor/workers rights	5
Public transportation	2
Border Issues	4
Terrorism	1
Something else	8
Don't know	8

2. In November, there will be elections for President, Congress, other offices in California, and ballot measures. How likely are you to vote in that election- are you almost certain to vote, will you probably vote, are the chances 50-50, or don't you think you will vote?

Absolutely certain	71
Probably	16
50 – 50	8
Will not vote	4
Don't Know	1

3. How closely have you been following news about the 2016 presidential election? Have you been following the election [ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-4]

Very closely	46
Somewhat closely	41
Not too closely	10
Not closely at all	2
Don't Know	1

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[ROTATE NAMES]

4. Now I am going to read you a list of people and I'd like you to rate that person using a feeling thermometer where 0 degrees means very unfavorable and 100 degrees is very favorable. The 50 degree mark would be neither favorable nor unfavorable. You can choose any number between 0 and 100.. If we come to a person whose name you don't recognize, you don't need to rate that person. Just tell me and we'll move on to the next one. If we come to a person whose name you don't recognize, you don't need to rate that person. Just tell me and we'll move on to the next one.

	0-25	26-50	51-75	76-100	DK
A. President Barack Obama	11	10	18	60	1
B. Hilary Clinton	15	12	20	50	2
C. Donald Trump	66	11	9	11	3
D. U.S. Senate candidate Loretta Sanchez	10	21	25	26	18
E. U.S. Senate candidate Kamala Harris	11	21	19	19	30
F. Mayor Eric Garcetti	9	22	23	31	16
G. Governor Jerry Brown	13	20	25	33	10

5. People are very busy these days and do not have a lot of time, but have you ever had the opportunity to do any of the following things? And if you've never had the time to do any of these things, you can tell me that as well. First, have you ever...

	Yes	No	Don't know	Refused
A. Communicated with an elected official?	29	70	1	*
B. Attended a public meeting or hearing of a government agency?	29	70	1	*
C. Talked to friends or family about an issue involving government?	75	24	1	*
D. Attended a political protest, march, or rally?	28	71	1	*
E. Volunteered to work in a political campaign?	21	78	1	*
F. Given money to a political campaign?	28	71	1	*
G. Signed a letter or petition about a social or political issue?	47	52	1	*
H. Posted a message on Facebook or other social media about a social or political issue?	41	58	1	*
I. Attended a PTA meeting or other volunteer group at your child's school?	50	49	1	*
J. Attended a community or neighborhood meeting?	47	53	0	*

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6. As you may know, election law requires counties like Los Angeles to translate ballots and other voting materials into Spanish and other languages. Thinking about your own experience, have you ever used any of the following types of bilingual assistance to vote? [CHECK ALL THAT APPLY]

Bilingual election documents mailed to my home	27
Bilingual election documents at the polls	25
Bilingual election workers have helped me	24
Have never used bilingual assistance	52
Don't Know	3

7. If the election for President were held today, would you be voting for **(ROTATE ORDER)** Hillary Clinton, the Democrat, or Donald Trump, the Republican? **(IF UNDECIDED, ASK:)** Well, if the election for President were held today and you had to decide right now, to which candidate would you lean **(ROTATE)** Hillary Clinton or Donald Trump?

Clinton	66
Trump	13
Und, lean Clinton	7
Und, lean Trump	3
Neither (Vol)	7
Other	1
Don't Know	3
TOTAL CLINTON	73
TOTAL TRUMP	16
UNDECIDED	11

8. If the November election for Senate were held today, would you be voting for **(ROTATE ORDER)** Kamala Harris, or Loretta Sanchez? – **(IF UNDECIDED, ASK:)** Well, if the election for Senator were held today and you had to decide right now, would you lean **(ROTATE)** Kamala Harris or Loretta Sanchez?

Loretta Sanchez	42
Kamala Harris	21
Und, lean Sanchez	8
Und, lean Harris	6
Neither (Vol)	6
Don't Know	17
TOTAL SANCHEZ	50
TOTAL HARRIS	27
UNDECIDED	23

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Next, I’m going to ask for your opinions on a number of different policy issues.

9. Last year, the Supreme Court issued a ruling that same-sex couples could legally marry. Do you agree or disagree with that decision? Do you [AGREE/DISAGREE] strongly or somewhat?

Strongly agree	41
Somewhat agree	25
Somewhat disagree	9
Strongly disagree	17
Don’t know	8

10. Some people believe that the federal government should give immigrants living in the U.S. without legal authorization a chance to remain here permanently with legal status and eventually become U.S. citizens. Others believe that those living without legal authorization should have to return to their countries of origin. Which view is closer to yours?

Given a chance to remain here	81
Should return to their countries	14
Don’t know	5

11. Which comes closest to your view on abortion: Abortion should always be legal, or should be legal most of the time, or should be made illegal except in cases of rape, incest and to save the mother’s life, or abortion should be made illegal without any exception?

Always be legal	29
Legal most of the time	21
Made illegal except in cases of rape, incest and to save the mother’s life	33
Made illegal without any exception	11
Don’t know	6

12. Some people believe that California should increase funding for the high-speed rail system linking Southern California, the Central Valley and the San Francisco Bay Area. Others believe that the high-speed rail system is a waste of taxpayer dollars. Which of these perspectives comes closest to your view of California’s proposed high-speed rail system?

Increase funding for high-speed rail	49
High-speed rail is a waste of tax dollars	34
Don’t know	17

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13. Proposition 64 in California’s 2016 ballot will make legal the recreational use of marijuana. Do you favor or oppose Prop 64? Do you [FAVOR/OPPOSE] strongly or somewhat?

Strongly favor	26
Somewhat favor	27
Somewhat oppose	11
Strongly oppose	31
Don’t know	5

14. Proposition 58 in California’s 2016 ballot allows more bilingual education programs in the schools by eliminating the requirement that English learners must be taught only in English. Do you favor or oppose Prop 58? Do you [FAVOR/OPPOSE] strongly or somewhat?

Strongly favor	34
Somewhat favor	28
Somewhat oppose	15
Strongly oppose	16
Don’t know	7

15. In November, Los Angeles county voters like yourself will consider Measure A, which authorizes an annual parcel tax to fund local parks, beaches and open spaces. Do you favor or oppose Prop A? Do you [FAVOR/OPPOSE] strongly or somewhat?

Strongly favor	30
Somewhat favor	34
Somewhat oppose	13
Strongly oppose	13
Don’t know	11

16. The County ballot will also include Measure M, which will fund mass transportation and improve roads through a half-cent sales tax and continue the existing half-cent traffic relief tax. Do you favor or oppose Prop M? Do you [FAVOR/OPPOSE] strongly or somewhat?

Strongly favor	35
Somewhat favor	36
Somewhat oppose	11
Strongly oppose	9
Don’t know	9

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17. In general, which of the following statements do you agree with more— (1) I’d rather pay higher taxes and have a state government that provides more services, or (2) I’d rather pay lower taxes and have a state government that provides fewer services?

Higher taxes and more services	56
Lower taxes and less services	32
Don’t know	12

18. In recent years have you experienced any kind of discrimination in the greater Los Angeles area because you are [Hispanic/Latino] or have you not experienced any discrimination? **[IF EXPERIENCED DISCRIMINATION]** In what situations have you experienced discrimination? **[DO NOT READ LIST] [ACCEPT UP TO THREE ANSWERS]**

EXPERIENCED NO DISCRIMINATION	53
JOBS/PROMOTIONS	19
EDUCATION	10
HOUSING	8
DEALING WITH GOVT AGENCY	9
DEALING WITH A BUSINESS OR RETAIL ESTABLISHMENT	8
FROM YOUR NEIGHBORS	5
FROM STRANGERS IN A PUBLIC PLACE	14
SOME OTHER WAY (SPECIFY)	5

19. People have different ideas about the government in the United States. Please tell me how strongly you agree or disagree with each of the following statement: “People like me don’t have any say in what the government does.” Do you **[AGREE/DISAGREE]** strongly or somewhat?

Strongly agree	20
Somewhat agree	31
Somewhat disagree	20
Strongly disagree	24
Don’t know	5

20. How much of the time do you trust the government to do what is right – just about always, most of the time, some of the time or never?

Just about always	8
Most of the time	27
Some of the time	53
Never	10
Don’t know	2

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21. How would you describe your views on most matters having to do with politics? Do you generally think of yourself as very liberal, somewhat liberal, moderate or middle of the road, or somewhat conservative, or very conservative?

Very liberal	14
Somewhat liberal	26
Moderate	33
Somewhat conservative	16
Very conservative	6
Don't know	5

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

Republican	12
Democrat	61
Independent	18
Other party	3
Don't know	4
Refused	1

23. [IF Q22 = 1 OR 2] Do you consider yourself to be a strong [INSERT ANSWER TO Q22] or not so strong?

Strong partisan	56
Not so strong partisan	39
Don't know	4
Refused	*

24. For information about public affairs and politics, would you say you rely more heavily on Spanish-language media or on English-language media?

English more	53
Spanish more	21
Both equally (bilingual)	25
Don't know	1

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25. Just thinking about news and information about the election, which one source would you say you get most of your information from? Is it from [ROTATE: Television, Radio, Newspapers, Magazines, or the Internet]? [ALLOW ONLY ONE RESPONSE – Follow up if necessary: “If you had to pick one source...”]

Television	43
Radio	5
Newspapers and Magazines	8
Internet (general)	25
Internet: Facebook	7
Multiple sources, no single source	10
None of these / Other	1
Don't know	1

26. How often would you say you use the Internet to look up information? Would you say **[Rotate font/back]** many times per day, about once a day, a couple of times each week, less than once a week, don't use the Internet that much, or don't use the Internet at all

Many times per day	44
Once a day	16
Couple of times each week	14
Less than once a week	5
Don't use the Internet much	5
Don't use the Internet at all	15
Don't know	1

27. With what religious tradition, if any, do you most closely identify with? Stop me when I get to the correct one.

Catholic	62
Assemblies of God	2
Southern Baptist	2
Pentecostal	2
Other Protestant	3
Latter Day Saints (LDS)	1
Jehovah's Witness	1
Jewish	2
Muslim	*
Don't identify with any religious tradition	13
Other _____	10
Don't know	3

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28. Would you say you attend religious services more than once a week, about once a week, about once a month, about once every few months, almost never, or do you never attend any religious services? **[IF PERSON SAYS “I’M NOT RELIGIOUS” OR “I’M AN ATHEIST”, CHECK NEVER]**

Never	12
Almost never	16
About once every few months	14
About once a month	15
About once a week	29
More often than once a week	11
Don’t know	3

29. Over the past few months did anyone from a campaign, a political party, or community organization ask you to vote, or register to vote?

Yes	42
No	55
Don’t know	3

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D1. **[Hispanics/Latinos]** have their roots in many different countries in Latin America. To what country do you or your family trace your ancestry? [OPEN-ENDED WITH LIST OF ALL COUNTRIES]

Mexico	56
El Salvador	7
Spain	5
Guatemala	3
Puerto Rico	3
Colombia	2
Cuba	2
Peru	2
Argentina	1
Bolivia	1
Chile	1
Costa Rica	1
Dominican Republic	1
Ecuador	1
Honduras	1
Nicaragua	1
Panama	*
Paraguay	*
Uruguay	*
Venezuela	*
United States / America	7
Other country	2
None	2
Don't know	1
Refused	2

D2. Were you born in the United States, Puerto Rico, or in another country?

United States	58
Another country	38
Puerto Rico	3
Don't know	*
Refused	*

D3. **[IF D2 =2]** What year did you become a U.S. Citizen 19__ __.

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D4. What is the highest level of education you completed? Again, just stop me when I read the correct category.

Grades 1-8	15
Some High School	5
High School Graduate	18
Some College/Tech School	25
College Graduate	24
Post-graduate	10
Don't know	*
Refused	1

D5. Do you currently own your own home, rent, or live with someone else who owns or rents?

Own	46
Rent	39
Live with someone else	12
Something else	1
Don't know	*
Refused	2

D6. In what year were you born?

19 __ __	
Recode to Age	
18 - 29	25
30 - 49	35
50 - 64	20
65 plus	20

D7. And finally, what was your total combined household income in 2015 before taxes. This question is completely confidential and just used to help classify the responses, but it is very important for our research to make sure we have a representative sample of all different households. Just stop me when I read the correct category.

Less than \$20,000	17
\$20,000 to \$29,999	12
\$30,000 to \$39,999	9
\$40,000 to \$49,999	6
\$50,000 to \$59,999	9
\$60,000 to \$79,999	12
\$80,000 to \$99,999	9
\$100,000 to \$150,000	8
More than \$150,000	3
Don't know	6
Refused	8



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D8. [DO NOT ASK] Gender

Male	49
Female	51