Politics of Crime

Which Party Does Better Handling Crime?

Questions: Which political party, the Republican party or the Democratic party, do you think could do a better job of...reducing crime? (PSRA); Do you think the Democratic party or the Republican party can do a better job in each of the following, or don't you think there's any difference between them?...reducing the crime rate (Yankelovich)?; Which political party, the Democrats or the Republicans, do you trust to do a better job on...handling the crime problem? (ABC); Do you think the Republican party or the Democratic party would do a better job of dealing with each of the following issues and problems...crime(Gallup)?

Date	Polling Organization	Republican	Democratic	No Difference/Neither/ Both/DK, etc.	Date	Polling Organization	Republican	Democratic	No Difference/Neither Both/DK, etc.
11/17-22/81	ABC	35%	27%	38%	1/17-18/94	Yankelovich	17%	24%	59%
9/9-13/82	ABC	32	33	35	2/26-28/94	Gallup	37	41	22
9/20-22/83	Yankelovich	19	23	57	2/24-27/94	ABC	32	39	28
12/6-8/83	Yankelovich	20	23	57	3/25-27/94	Gallup	34	42	24
1/31-2/2/84	Yankelovich	20	19	60	4/30-5/3/94	NBC	20	9	71
2/22-26/85	ABC	46	27	27	7/23-26/94	NBC	26	18	56
3/1-4/91	ABC	46	28	25	8/15-16/94	Gallup	39	38	23
4/24-29/91	Yankelovich	20	12	68	9/6-7/94	Gallup	43	39	18
9/5-8/91	Gallup	43	32	25	9/8-11/94	ABC	33	43	25
10/25-29/91	NBC	26	21	53	10/7-9/94	Gallup	42	40	19
10/31-11/3/91	Gallup	42	38	20	10/14-18/94	NBC	28	23	49
12/11-15/91	ABC	35	34	30	10/20-23/94	ABC	34	36	30
12/17-22/91	Yankelovich	17	19	64	10/20-24/94	PSRA	38	34	28
1/3-7/92	PSRA	32	32	36	10/25-26/94	Yankelovich	23	28	49
1/30-2/2/92	ABC	35	39	25	11/4-5/94	NBC	25	14	61
2/28-3/2/92	NBC	24	19	57	11/28-29/94	Gallup	52	29	20
5/15-19/92	NBC	26	21	54	6/2-6/95	NBC	32	17	51
8/12/93	Yankelovich	19	19	62	12/1-5/95	NBC	27	20	53
10/13-18/93	Gallup	35	32	33	5/10-14/96	NBC	31	21	48
10/22-26/93	NBC	27	20	53	8/8-9/96	PSRA	37	31	32
12/2-5/93	PSRA	29	35	36	10/19-22/96	NBC	28	30	42
12/17-19/93	Gallup	39	37	24	10/26-29/96	Gallup	43	43	14

Source: Surveys were conducted during the dates shown above by Princeton Survey Research Associates for Times Mirror [and Newsweek, 8/8-9/96] (PSRA), Yankelovich Partners for Time/CNN (Yankelovich); by ABC News/Washington Post (ABC); NBC News/Wall Street Journal (NBC); and by the Gallup Organization for CNN/USA Today (Gallup).