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These are findings from an Ipsos poll conducted March 22-28, 2016 on behalf Thomson Reuters. For the survey, a sample of roughly 1,976 adults age 18+ from the continental U.S., Alaska and Hawaii was interviewed online in English. The sample included roughly 834 Democrats, 700 Republicans, and 258 Independents.

The sample for this study was randomly drawn from Ipsos's online panel (see link below for more info on "Access Panels and Recruitment"), partner online panel sources, and "river" sampling (see link below for more info on the Ipsos "Ampario Overview" sample method) and does not rely on a population frame in the traditional sense. Ipsos uses fixed sample targets, unique to each study, in drawing sample. After a sample has been obtained from the Ipsos panel, Ipsos calibrates respondent characteristics to be representative of the U.S. Population using standard procedures such as raking-ratio adjustments. The source of these population targets is U.S. Census 2015 American Community Survey data. The sample drawn for this study reflects fixed sample targets on demographics. Post-hoc weights were made to the population characteristics on gender, age, region, race/ethnicity and income.

Statistical margins of error are not applicable to online polls. All sample surveys and polls may be subject to other sources of error, including, but not limited to coverage error and measurement error. Where figures do not sum to 100, this is due to the effects of rounding. The precision of Ipsos online polls is measured using a credibility interval. In this case, the poll has a credibility interval of plus or minus 2.5 percentage point for all respondents (see link below for more info on Ipsos online polling "Credibility Intervals"). Ipsos calculates a design effect (DEFF) for each study based on the variation of the weights, following the formula of Kish (1965). This study had a credibility interval adjusted for design effect of the following (n=1,976, DEFF=1.5, adjusted Confidence Interval=4.0).

The poll also has a credibility interval plus or minus 3.9 percentage points for Democrats, plus or minus 4.2 percentage points for Republicans, and plus or minus 7.0 percentage points for (see link below for more info on Ipsos online polling "Credibility Intervals").

For more information about Ipsos online polling methodology, please go here http://goo.ql/yJBkuf

		Total	Democrat	Republican	Independent
AB10 203 - AwarenessThe recent	No	22%	21%	12%	24%
attacks at the airport and a metro station	Yes	78%	79%	88%	76%
in Brussels	Total	1976	834	700	258
TM876Y16 - How do you feel about the	Often be justified	25%	18%	36%	24%
	Sometimes be justified	38%	35%	46%	39%
use of torture against suspected terrorists	Rarely be justified	21%	26%	14%	24%
to obtain information about terrorism activities? Can that?	Never be justified	15%	21%	4%	13%
	Total	1976	834	700	258
	Very concerned	15%	17%	12%	18%
TM38_1_Scale - How concerned, if at all, are you about your safety in the following situation Attending a concert?	Somewhat concerned	24%	23%	26%	31%
	Not too concerned	29%	28%	34%	26%
	Not at all concerned	19%	23%	18%	10%
	Unsure	3%	2%	1%	2%
	Not applicable	10%	6%	9%	12%
	Total	1976	834	700	258
TM38_2_Scale - How concerned, if at all,	Very concerned	13%	15%	10%	14%
are you about your safety in the following	Somewhat concerned	17%	17%	17%	19%



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workplace related events?	Not at all concerned	30%	31%	32%	30%
workplace related events?	Unsure	3%	3%	1%	3%
	Not applicable	18%	15%	18%	13%
	Total	1976	834	700	258
	Total	1370	054	700	230
	Very concerned	25%	26%	25%	30%
	Somewhat concerned	32%	31%	37%	29%
TM38_10_Scale - How concerned, if at all,	Not too concerned	22%	23%	21%	25%
are you about your safety in the following situation At an airport, bus or train station?	Not at all concerned	11%	13%	12%	8%
	Unsure	3%	3%	1%	1%
		5% 6%	5% 4%	1% 4%	1% 7%
	Not applicable				
	Total	1976	834	700	258
	Foreign terrorism				
	(committed by non-				
		33%	23%	44%	41%
	Americans on American				
	soil)				
	Politically or religiously-				
TM39 - In your view, which of the	motivated domestic	aa-:		a	
following pose the biggest threat to the	terrorism (committed by	22%	21%	24%	22%
safety of average Americans?	Americans on American				
*Was active before 3/22	soil)				
vvas active belule 3/22	Random acts of violence				
	such as mass shootings				
	(committed by	45%	56%	32%	37%
	Americans on American				
	soil)				
	Total	2278	960	825	286
TM740Y15 - Do you think taking in	More safe	5%	8%	3%	5%
refugees from Syria makes the host country more or less safe from terrorism, or does it make no difference?	Less safe	53%	39%	74%	60%
	No difference	29%	41%	16%	26%
	Don't know	12%	13%	7%	9%
	Total	1976	834	700	258
					
	Countries should				
	Countries should continue to take in				
		2.40/	E20/	20%	220/
	continue to take in	34%	53%	20%	22%
	continue to take in refugees from countries	34%	53%	20%	22%
	continue to take in refugees from countries where ISIS is a threat	34%	53%	20%	22%
TM741Y15 - Which of the following	continue to take in refugees from countries where ISIS is a threat because most of these individuals ar	34%	53%	20%	22%
TM741Y15 - Which of the following	continue to take in refugees from countries where ISIS is a threat because most of these individuals ar Countries should stop	34%	53%	20%	22%
TM741Y15 - Which of the following statements is closer to your opinion?	continue to take in refugees from countries where ISIS is a threat because most of these individuals ar Countries should stop taking in refugees from	34%	53%	20%	22%
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	Strongly agree	15%	17%	11%	18%
TM40_2_Scale - Please indicate the extent	Somewhat agree	29%	29%	30%	39%
to which you agree or disagree with each of the followingI worry about the	Neither agree nor disagree	27%	24%	29%	26%
increased cost to taxpayers if public	Somewhat disagree	15%	17%	16%	9%
events require more police and law	Strongly disagree	9%	9%	11%	5%
enforcement officials	Unsure	5%	3%	3%	3%
	Total	1976	834	700	258
	Strongly agree	18%	20%	17%	19%
TM40_3_Scale - Please indicate the extent	Somewhat agree	28%	30%	27%	27%
to which you agree or disagree with each of the followingI worry that Americans'	Neither agree nor disagree	27%	26%	27%	33%
civil rights may be infringed upon in the	Somewhat disagree	13%	11%	15%	13%
aftermath of incidents like the attacks in	Strongly disagree	8%	8%	10%	4%
Brussels	Unsure	6%	4%	3%	4%
	Total	1976	834	700	258
TM40_4_Scale - Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with each of the followingThe attacks in Brussels have made me more fearful for my safety	C: 1	4.40/	4.60/	120/	420/
	Strongly agree	14%	16%	12%	12%
	Somewhat agree	27%	27%	32%	22%
	Neither agree nor disagree	27%	23%	26%	40%
	Somewhat disagree	16%	16%	17%	17%
and the safety of my family	Strongly disagree	11%	15%	10%	5%
and the safety of my family	Unsure	6%	4%	3%	4%
	Total	1976	834	700	258
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TM40_5_Scale - Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with each	Strongly agree	24%	25%	25%	19%
	Somewhat agree	35%	34%	39%	35%
	Neither agree nor disagree	20%	17%	20%	30%
of the following An incident like the	Somewhat disagree	9%	10%	10%	6%
attacks in Brussels could happen near me	Strongly disagree	6%	8%	4%	5%
	Unsure	6%	5%	3%	4%
	Total	1976	834	700	258
	Very likely	23%	19%	31%	25%
TM877Y16 - How likely, if at all, do you	Somewhat likely	41%	43%	44%	42%
think it is that there will be a terrorist	Not very likely	17%	22%	14%	13%
attack in the next 6 months here in the	Not at all likely	3%	4%	3%	2%
United States?	•				
Office States:	Don't know	15%	11%	8%	17%



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How to Calculate Bayesian Credibility Intervals

The calculation of credibility intervals assumes that Y has a binomial distribution conditioned on the parameter θ \, i.e., Y| θ ^Bin(n, θ), where n is the size of our sample. In this setting, Y counts the number of "yes", or "1", observed in the sample, so that the sample mean (\overline{y}) is a natural estimate of the true population proportion θ . This model is often called the likelihood function, and it is a standard concept in both the Bayesian and the Classical framework. The Bayesian ¹ statistics combines both the prior distribution and the likelihood function to create a posterior distribution. The posterior distribution represents our opinion about which are the plausible values for θ adjusted after observing the sample data. In reality, the posterior distribution is one's knowledge base updated using the latest survey information. For the prior and likelihood functions specified here, the posterior distribution is also a beta distribution ($\pi(\theta/y)$ ^ θ (y+a,n-y+b)), but with updated hyper-parameters.

Our credibility interval for ϑ is based on this posterior distribution. As mentioned above, these intervals represent our belief about which are the most plausible values for ϑ given our updated knowledge base. There are different ways to calculate these intervals based on $\pi(\theta/y)$. Since we want only one measure of precision for all variables in the survey, analogous to what is done within the Classical framework, we will compute the largest possible credibility interval for any observed sample. The worst case occurs when we assume that a=1 and b=1 and y=n/2. Using a simple approximation of the posterior by the normal distribution, the 95% credibility interval is given by, approximately:

$$\bar{y} \mp \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$$

For this poll, the Bayesian Credibility Interval was adjusted using standard weighting design effect 1+L=1.3 to account for complex weighting²

Examples of credibility intervals for different base sizes are below. Ipsos does not publish data for base sizes (sample sizes) below 100.

Sample size	Credibility intervals
2,000	2.5
1,500	2.9
1,000	3.5
750	4.1
500	5.0
350	6.0
200	7.9
100	11.2