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Interviews: 1,003 adults, 796 registered voters
Margin of error: ± 3.1 for all adults, ± 3.5 for registered voters

**THE ASSOCIATED PRESS IMMIGRATION STUDY
CONDUCTED BY IPSOS PUBLIC AFFAIRS
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NOTE: all results shown are percentages unless otherwise labeled.

IMMIGRATION STUDY

1. Would you favor or oppose allowing immigrants with jobs who are in the United States illegally to apply for legal, temporary worker status?

Strongly favor	26
Somewhat favor.....	30
Somewhat oppose.....	12
Strongly oppose.....	28
Not sure.....	4

Total Favor	56
Total Oppose.....	41

2. On balance, do you think illegal immigrants mostly make a contribution to American society, or are they mostly a drain on American society?

Mostly make a contribution	51
Mostly a drain	42
Not sure.....	7

3. Which comes closest to your view?

Illegal immigrants take jobs that Americans don't want	65
Illegal immigrants take away jobs that are wanted by Americans	29
Not sure	6

4. Do you think it should be a serious criminal offense to enter and remain in the United States without proper documentation or should it be considered a minor offense?

Serious criminal offense	47
Minor offense.....	51
Not sure.....	2

5. If a fence were built along the border between the United States and Mexico, how confident are you that such a fence would reduce the number of illegal immigrants?

Very confident.....	6
Somewhat confident.....	26
Not too confident.....	29
Not at all confident.....	38
Not sure.....	1
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Total Confident	32
Total Not Confident	67

REGISTERED VOTERS/ PARTY AFFILIATION

1. Are you currently registered to vote at this address, or not?

	ALL ADULTS
Yes	79
No	21
Refused/not sure	-

2a. Do you consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, an Independent or none of these? *

INITIAL PARTY IDENTIFICATION

	REGISTERED VOTERS
Republican	29
Democrat	34
Independent	24
None of these.....	11
Not sure	2

(IF "DEMOCRAT" TO Q.2a, Q.2b ASKED. IF "REPUBLICAN" TO Q.2a, Q.2c ASKED. IF "INDEPENDENT" or "NONE OF THESE" TO Q.2a, Q.2d ASKED. RESULTS SHOWN IN SUMMARY BELOW.)

- 2b. Do you lean strongly or only moderately toward the Democratic Party?
- 2c. Do you lean strongly or only moderately toward the Republican Party?
- 2d. Do your beliefs tend to lean more toward the Democrats or the Republicans?

	REGISTERED VOTERS
Strongly Republican	15
Moderately Republican	25
Definitely Independent/neither	11
Moderately Democrat.....	27
Strongly Democrat	20
Refused/not sure.....	2
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Total Republican	40
Total Democrat.....	47

DEMOGRAPHICS

NOTE: Results for demographic questions represent all adults unless otherwise indicated.

D1a. In what year were you born?

D1b. Have you already had a birthday this year?

(IF RESPONDENT REFUSES Q.D1a OR Q.D1b, Q.D1c ASKED. RESULTS SHOWN IN SUMMARY BELOW.)

D1c. Are you:

18-34	31
35-49	28
50-64	24
65 and over	16
Refused/not sure	1

D2. Are you employed:

TOTAL EMPLOYED	62
- Full time.....	51
- Part time.....	11
Not employed	15
Retired.....	22
Refused/not sure	1

D3. What is the last year of school you completed?

Grade school or some high school	9
Completed high school	21
Some community college or university, but did not finish	23
Completed technical school or a community college	12
Completed a university or Bachelor's degree	20
Completed a post-graduate degree such as a Master's or Ph.D.	15
Refused/not sure	-

D4. Are you currently married?

Yes	56
No.....	44
Refused/not sure	-

D5. Including yourself and any children, how many people are currently living in your household?

1	19
2	36
3	14
4	18
5	8
6 or more	4
Refused/not sure	1

(Q.D6a-c ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY MORE THAN ONE PERSON IN HOUSEHOLD IN Q.D5.)

D6a. How many children under 6 years are currently living in your household?

D6b. How many children ages 6 to 12 are currently living in your household?

D6c. How many children ages 13 to 17 are currently living in your household?

ANY CHILDREN – NET	38
Under 6.....	19
6-12	20
13-17	16
NO CHILDREN	61
Refused/not sure	1

D7a. Would you describe yourself as a born-again or evangelical Christian, or not?

Yes	39
No.....	60
Refused/not sure	1

D9b. What is your religious preference? Is it Protestant, Catholic, Mormon, Jewish, Muslim, some other religion, or don't you belong to any religious denomination? **(IF "SOME OTHER RELIGION, ASK) Is that a Christian denomination, or not? (IF YES, CODED AS "PROTESTANT".)**

Protestant.....	46
Catholic	24
Mormon	3
Jewish	1
Muslim.....	1
Other non-Christian religion.....	3
No religion	20
Refused/not sure	2

D10a. Are you of Hispanic ethnicity?

(Q.D10b ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO DO NOT SAY THEY ARE HISPANIC IN Q.D10a.)

D10b. Are you white, black, Asian, or some other race?

(RESULTS SHOWN IN SUMMARY BELOW.)

White	69
Black.....	11
Hispanic.....	12
Asian.....	3
American Indian.....	1
Other.....	2
Refused	2

D11. Could you please tell me your household income from all sources in 2005?

Under \$15,000.....	13
\$15,000 to less than \$20,000	5
\$20,000 to less than \$25,000	6
\$25,000 to less than \$30,000	6
\$30,000 to less than \$40,000	10
\$40,000 to less than \$50,000	7
\$50,000 to less than \$75,000	16
\$75,000 to less than \$100,000	9
\$100,000 or more	13
Refused/not sure	15

REGION:

Northeast.....	19
Midwest	22
South	36
West	23

METROPOLITAN STATUS:

Urban.....	29
Suburban	50
Rural.....	21

GENDER:

Male	48
Female	52