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*Unleashing the Power of Participation*

Asian American Poll Briefing, June 29, 2016

Cal State LA, Downtown LA Campus

## **Questionnaire**

(all answers in percent)

Please tell me which one of the following specific Asian American groups you are. Are you Chinese, Filipino, Indian, Japanese, Korean, Vietnamese, or of some other background?

1	Chinese	36.5
2	Filipino	15.3
3	Indian	7.2
4	Japanese	10.8
5	Korean	17.5
6	Vietnamese	9.8
7	Other	2.8

Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Los Angeles Police Department is handling its job, or haven't you heard enough about the LAPD to say?

1.	Approve Strongly	17.9
2.	Approve Somewhat	30.3
3.	Disapprove Somewhat	13.3
4.	Disapprove Strongly	8.3
5.	Haven't Heard Enough to Say	30.3

Do you approve or disapprove of the way your local law enforcement is handling its job, or haven't you heard enough about your local law enforcement to say?

1.	Approve Strongly	24.8
2.	Approve Somewhat	30.8
3.	Disapprove Somewhat	11.3
4.	Disapprove Strongly	5.4
5.	Haven't Heard	27.8



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Do you think incidents of police brutality involving the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) are very common, somewhat common, somewhat uncommon or very uncommon?

1. Very Common	17.0
2. Somewhat Common	40.0
3. Somewhat Uncommon	23.6
4. Very Uncommon	19.4

Do you think incidents of police brutality involving your local law enforcement are very common, somewhat common, somewhat uncommon or very uncommon?

1. Very Common	10.5
2. Somewhat Common	20.6
3. Somewhat Uncommon	30.2
4. Very Uncommon	38.7

How important is it that an Asian American represent you and your community in public office: is it very important, somewhat important, not too important or not important at all?

1. Very Important	42.5
2. Somewhat Important	33.3
3. Not Too Important	15.1
4. Not Important At All	9.2

California should reduce prison sentences for those who have committed non-violent crimes.

1. Strongly Agree	24.3
2. Somewhat Agree	30.9
3. Somewhat Disagree	14.8
4. Strongly Disagree	19.9
5. Don't Know	10.2

I think healthcare reform such as the Affordable Care Act, also known as ACA, Obamacare, or Covered California in our state, is good for America.

1. Strongly Agree	42.5
2. Somewhat Agree	31.6
3. Somewhat Disagree	11.6
4. Strongly Disagree	14.3



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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 if they fulfill certain obligations such as paying a fine.

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| 1. Strongly Agree    | 31.1 |
| 2. Somewhat Agree    | 33.8 |
| 3. Somewhat Disagree | 13.8 |
| 4. Strongly Disagree | 21.3 |

I support the Supreme Court's decision giving same-sex couples the right to marry.

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| 1. Strongly Agree    | 41.4 |
| 2. Somewhat Agree    | 17.3 |
| 3. Somewhat Disagree | 7.3  |
| 4. Strongly Disagree | 34.0 |

California should increase the minimum wage paid to workers.

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| 1. Strongly Agree    | 44.8 |
| 2. Somewhat Agree    | 30.0 |
| 3. Somewhat Disagree | 15.3 |
| 4. Strongly Disagree | 9.9  |

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]?

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| 1. Higher Taxes and More Services | 51.6 |
| 2. Lower Taxes and Fewer Services | 48.4 |

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?

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| 1. Always Be Legal  | 34.7 |
| 2. Legal Most of the Time   | 22.5 |
| 3. Made Illegal Except in Cases of Rape, Incest and to Save the Mother's Life | 30.5 |
| 4. Made Illegal Without Any Exception   | 12.2 |



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Generally speaking, do you think that undocumented immigrants help or harm Los Angeles' economy, or do you think they neither help nor harm Los Angeles' economy?

1. Help the Economy A Lot	20.8
2. Help the Economy Only A Little	25.3
3. Neither Help Nor Harm the Economy	22.0
4. Harm the Economy Only A Little	13.2
5. Harm the Economy A Lot	18.6

What is the highest degree or level of schooling you have completed?

1. High school degree/GED/or less	26.7
2. College degree	52.4
3. Graduate degree	20.9

You said that your highest degree or level of schooling:

1. In the United States	60.8
2. In an Asian country	35.1
3. Somewhere else (Specify) _____	4.1

Regardless of your party registration or how you have voted in the past, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, or a Republican, or an independent, or as something else? (Includes leaners)

1. Democrat	43.0
2. Republican	12.0
3. Independent	31.5
4. Something Else	4.3
5. Don't Think of Self That Way	5.6

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?

1. Very Liberal	13.3
2. Somewhat Liberal	22.5
3. Middle-Of-The-Road/ Moderate	37.4
4. Somewhat Conservative	15.6
5. Very Conservative	3.6
6. Don't Think of Self That Way	5.2



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How often do you attend religious services or don't you attend any religious services? Do you never attend, almost never attend services, or do you attend about once every few months, or about once a month, or about once a week, or do you go to religious services more often than once a week?

1. Never	29.8
2. Almost Never	13.3
3. About Once Every Few Months	13.8
4. About Once A Month	9.9
5. About Once A Week	24.6
6. More Often Than Once A Week	8.6

Finally, we are asking this question for statistical purposes only. Which of the following best describes the total income earned by everyone in your household last year?

1. Up to \$20,000	21.4
2. \$20,000 to \$35,000	13.8
3. \$35,000 to \$50,000	13.0
4. \$50,000 to \$75,000	11.7
5. \$75,000 to \$100,000	11.4
6. \$100,000 to \$125,000	12.4
7. \$125,000 to \$250,000	11.1
8. \$250,000 and over	5.1

We understand this is a private matter for many individuals. We are only interested in this for research purposes. Could you please at least tell us if your total household income was below \$50,000 last year, between \$50,000 and \$100,000, or more than \$100,000?

1. less than \$50,000	40.6
2. \$50,000 to \$100,000	41.1
3. more than \$100,000	18.3

## Gender

1 Male	52.8
2 Female	47.2

## GeoTarget

1. LA City	29.6
2. SGV	34.6
3. Other (LA County)	35.8



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Origin of Birth

1 Foreign Born	58.5
2 Native Born	41.5

Age (4 Categories)

1. 18-29	12.0
2. 30-44	28.4
3. 45-64	25.9
4. 65+	27.7