

To: Interested Parties
From: Global Strategy Group

Re: Privacy Research, New Hampshire

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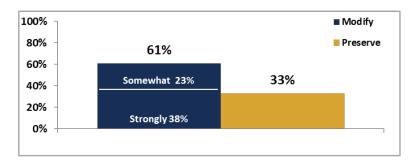
In April 2015, Global Strategy Group fielded a nationwide survey of 400 likely voters in New Hampshire. The research was conducted April 24-28, 2015, and yielded a margin of error of 4.9% at the 95% confidence level. Below are some key findings from that research.

Key Findings

By nearly a 2:1 margin (61% modify, 33% preserve), New Hampshirites believe the Patriot Act should not be reauthorized in its current form. With broad, bipartisan support across all ages, ideologies and political parties, voters are rejecting the argument that the Patriot Act should be preserved with no changes because of potential terrorist threats. Independent voters (71% modify) and those who consider themselves very conservative (67% modify), in particular, are driving the push for modification to limit government surveillance.

Which of the following statements about reauthorizing the Patriot Act do you agree with more?

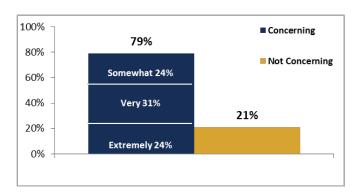
- Some people say Congress should modify the Patriot Act to limit government surveillance and protect Americans' privacy.
- Other people say Congress should preserve the Patriot Act and make no changes because it has been effective in keeping America safe from terrorists and other threats to national security like ISIS or Al Qaeda.



	Overall	Party			Independent		Very	Very	Age			Gender	
		Dem	Indy	GOP	Men	Women	Liberal	Cons.	18-39	<45	45+	М	F
Modify	61	58	71	57	71	58	53	67	64	66	57	67	55
Preserve	33	38	19	37	21	34	46	23	21	23	38	27	39
Net Modify	+28	+20	+52	+20	+50	+24	+7	+44	+43	+43	+19	+40	+16

 Over three quarters of voters find it concerning that the United States government is collecting and storing the personal information of Americans, including over half who find it extremely (24%) or very (31%) concerning.

Do you find it concerning that the U.S. government is collecting and storing your personal information like your phone records, emails, bank statements, and other communications?



Specific arguments made in favor of adding more protections for Americans around privacy, also proved to be convincing to voters. 85% of voters said it was a convincing argument that local police and the FBI should have a warrant to search phone and email records, further confirming that New Hampshirites believe that individual privacy rights should be more strongly protected. Additionally, 76% of voters were convinced more protections were needed on account of companies providing loopholes in their services to make surveillance easier for the government.

I'm now going to read you reasons to add more protections for Americans around privacy and government surveillance. For each, tell me how convincing you find that statement as a reason to add more protections for Americans around privacy and government surveillance.



About

Survey respondents consisted of likely voters in New Hampshire. Voters were screened based on their propensity to vote, and only likely voters continued the interviews. 26% of respondents were affiliated with the Republican Party, 24% Democratic Party, and 50% were independent. Party identification was self-reported by respondents. Interviews were conducted via both landline and cellular phone (30% of interviews).

The poll was commissioned by the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU), a group with more than a million members, activists and supporters that for nearly 100 years, has been our nation's guardian of liberty, working in courts, legislatures, and communities to defend and preserve the individual rights and liberties that the Constitution and the laws of the United States guarantee everyone in this country.

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