

2018 Louisiana Survey
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All in all, how good a job does the state government do running its programs?

	Excellent job	Good job	Only a fair job	Poor job	DK/Ref (Vol.)	Total	N
Total	2	18	57	21	2	100	852
Gender							
Male	3	15	55	25	2	100	417
Female	1	21	60	16	1	100	434
DK/Ref (Vol.)	0	0	100	0	0	100	1
Age							
18-29	2	15	63	19	1	100	74
30-49	3	17	58	21	1	100	200
50-64	1	19	54	24	2	100	254
65+	2	24	58	15	1	100	308
DK/Ref (Vol.)	0	11	44	42	4	100	16
Race							
White	1	19	55	23	1	100	576
African American	4	18	62	14	2	100	204
Other	0	15	63	22	0	100	56
DK/Ref (Vol.)	0	3	43	48	6	100	16
Highest level of education							
High school or less	3	17	61	18	2	100	254
Some College/Two year degree	3	19	56	21	1	100	284
Four year degree or more	0	21	54	24	2	100	311
DK/Ref (Vol.)	0	0	0	100	0	100	3
Household income							
Under \$25,000	2	17	60	19	1	100	189
\$25,000-\$49,999	3	16	61	18	2	100	155
\$50,000-\$99,999	1	20	58	21	1	100	221
\$100,00 or more	0	21	51	27	2	100	152
DK/Ref (Vol.)	3	19	55	20	4	100	135
Region							
Metro BR	2	20	52	24	3	100	173
Metro NO	3	14	62	19	1	100	239
South	1	21	57	20	1	100	184
Northwest	1	23	58	17	1	100	131
Northeast	0	18	55	25	1	100	118
DK/Ref (Vol.)	0	10	55	30	6	100	7
Party identification							
Democrat	3	24	56	15	1	100	240
Republican	1	18	62	19	0	100	238

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Neither	2	15	57	24	2	100	348
DK/Ref (Vol.)	0	16	44	29	11	100	26
Party identification (with leaners)							
Democrat	3	23	57	15	2	100	297
Republican	0	17	58	23	1	100	347
Neither	2	14	58	25	1	100	185
DK/Ref (Vol.)	0	18	50	29	3	100	23
Ideology							
Liberal	3	21	54	19	3	100	206
Moderate	1	23	59	15	1	100	204
Conservative	1	14	60	24	1	100	414
DK/Ref (Vol.)	14	21	38	26	0	100	28

I'm going to read you some pairs of statements that will help us understand how you feel about a number of things. As I read each pair, tell me whether the first statement or the second statement comes closer to your own views - even if neither is exactly right. What about...

	State government in Louisiana is almost always wasteful and inefficient	State government in Louisiana often does a better job than people give it credit for	DK/Ref (Vol.)	Total	N
Total	62	34	4	100	852
Gender					
Male	66	30	3	100	417
Female	57	38	5	100	434
DK/Ref (Vol.)	0	0	100	100	1
Age					
18-29	72	24	3	100	74
30-49	61	34	5	100	200
50-64	58	38	4	100	254
65+	58	39	3	100	308
DK/Ref (Vol.)	79	11	10	100	16
Race					
White	64	32	4	100	576
African American	53	44	4	100	204
Other	71	24	5	100	56
DK/Ref (Vol.)	95	3	2	100	16
Highest level of education					
High school or less	61	35	4	100	254
Some College/Two year degree	65	32	3	100	284
Four year degree or more	59	36	5	100	311
DK/Ref (Vol.)	100	0	0	100	3
Household income					
Under \$25,000	57	41	2	100	189
\$25,000-\$49,999	67	29	4	100	155
\$50,000-\$99,999	59	37	4	100	221
\$100,00 or more	70	27	2	100	152
DK/Ref (Vol.)	58	33	9	100	135
Region					
Metro BR	55	42	3	100	173
Metro NO	65	28	6	100	239
South	62	34	4	100	184
Northwest	61	37	2	100	131
Northeast	61	37	2	100	118

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DK/Ref (Vol.)	76	19	6	100	7
Party identification					
Democrat	49	46	5	100	240
Republican	68	29	3	100	238
Neither	67	29	4	100	348
DK/Ref (Vol.)	52	38	11	100	26
Party identification (with leaners)					
Democrat	52	44	4	100	297
Republican	70	28	2	100	347
Neither	65	28	6	100	185
DK/Ref (Vol.)	54	34	12	100	23
Ideology					
Liberal	56	40	4	100	206
Moderate	56	41	3	100	204
Conservative	69	27	4	100	414
DK/Ref (Vol.)	53	35	13	100	28

What about...

	State government regulation of business is necessary to protect the public interest	State government regulation of business usually does more harm than good	DK/Ref (Vol.)	Total	N
Total	45	51	4	100	852
Gender					
Male	39	58	3	100	417
Female	50	45	5	100	434
DK/Ref (Vol.)	0	100	0	100	1
Age					
18-29	48	51	2	100	74
30-49	47	49	4	100	200
50-64	45	51	4	100	254
65+	42	52	5	100	308
DK/Ref (Vol.)	9	88	4	100	16
Race					
White	43	53	5	100	576
African American	52	46	2	100	204
Other	40	55	5	100	56
DK/Ref (Vol.)	10	82	9	100	16
Highest level of education					
High school or less	38	57	5	100	254
Some College/Two year degree	49	47	4	100	284
Four year degree or more	51	47	2	100	311
DK/Ref (Vol.)	0	100	0	100	3
Household income					
Under \$25,000	46	50	4	100	189
\$25,000-\$49,999	43	51	6	100	155
\$50,000-\$99,999	49	49	2	100	221
\$100,00 or more	45	54	1	100	152
DK/Ref (Vol.)	39	54	7	100	135
Region					
Metro BR	40	55	5	100	173
Metro NO	51	45	4	100	239
South	44	51	5	100	184
Northwest	45	52	3	100	131
Northeast	39	59	2	100	118
DK/Ref (Vol.)	31	64	6	100	7

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Party identification

Democrat	56	41	2	100	240
Republican	39	58	4	100	238
Neither	42	53	5	100	348
DK/Ref (Vol.)	29	64	7	100	26

Party identification (with leaners)

Democrat	60	38	2	100	297
Republican	34	63	4	100	347
Neither	39	54	7	100	185
DK/Ref (Vol.)	34	58	8	100	23

Ideology

Liberal	56	41	3	100	206
Moderate	47	50	3	100	204
Conservative	39	57	4	100	414
DK/Ref (Vol.)	28	62	11	100	28

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What about...

	The state government should do more to help needy people in Louisiana, even if it means spending more money	The state government today can't afford to do much more to help the needy	DK/Ref (Vol.)	Total	N
Total	50	47	4	100	852
Gender					
Male	48	49	3	100	417
Female	52	45	4	100	434
DK/Ref (Vol.)	0	0	100	100	1
Age					
18-29	52	45	3	100	74
30-49	51	45	4	100	200
50-64	52	45	3	100	254
65+	44	53	4	100	308
DK/Ref (Vol.)	44	56	0	100	16
Race					
White	41	55	4	100	576
African American	70	26	3	100	204
Other	45	55	0	100	56
DK/Ref (Vol.)	45	53	2	100	16
Highest level of education					
High school or less	54	41	5	100	254
Some College/Two year degree	52	44	3	100	284
Four year degree or more	40	58	2	100	311
DK/Ref (Vol.)	0	100	0	100	3
Household income					
Under \$25,000	68	29	3	100	189
\$25,000-\$49,999	48	47	5	100	155
\$50,000-\$99,999	44	54	2	100	221
\$100,00 or more	40	58	2	100	152
DK/Ref (Vol.)	43	50	7	100	135
Region					
Metro BR	46	48	6	100	173
Metro NO	50	47	3	100	239
South	49	49	2	100	184
Northwest	62	38	1	100	131
Northeast	45	48	7	100	118
DK/Ref (Vol.)	48	52	0	100	7

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Party identification

Democrat	76	22	3	100	240
Republican	25	70	4	100	238
Neither	47	50	3	100	348
DK/Ref (Vol.)	46	42	12	100	26

Party identification (with leaners)

Democrat	73	24	3	100	297
Republican	25	72	4	100	347
Neither	51	44	5	100	185
DK/Ref (Vol.)	53	43	4	100	23

Ideology

Liberal	68	29	3	100	206
Moderate	55	41	4	100	204
Conservative	36	61	3	100	414
DK/Ref (Vol.)	61	32	7	100	28

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What about...

	Government in Louisiana should do more to solve problems	Government in Louisiana is doing too many things better left to businesses and individuals	DK/Ref (Vol.)	Total	N
Total	57	40	3	100	852
Gender					
Male	57	40	3	100	417
Female	57	39	4	100	434
DK/Ref (Vol.)	0	100	0	100	1
Age					
18-29	63	34	2	100	74
30-49	64	31	5	100	200
50-64	52	46	2	100	254
65+	51	46	3	100	308
DK/Ref (Vol.)	20	77	4	100	16
Race					
White	52	44	4	100	576
African American	69	28	3	100	204
Other	47	52	2	100	56
DK/Ref (Vol.)	44	56	0	100	16
Highest level of education					
High school or less	57	40	3	100	254
Some College/Two year degree	56	39	5	100	284
Four year degree or more	58	39	3	100	311
DK/Ref (Vol.)	0	100	0	100	3
Household income					
Under \$25,000	59	39	2	100	189
\$25,000-\$49,999	63	34	2	100	155
\$50,000-\$99,999	54	42	4	100	221
\$100,00 or more	59	39	2	100	152
DK/Ref (Vol.)	48	45	7	100	135
Region					
Metro BR	53	41	6	100	173
Metro NO	66	32	2	100	239
South	58	40	2	100	184
Northwest	49	46	5	100	131
Northeast	49	46	5	100	118
DK/Ref (Vol.)	25	70	6	100	7

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Party identification

Democrat	72	26	2	100	240
Republican	40	55	5	100	238
Neither	56	41	4	100	348
DK/Ref (Vol.)	62	38	1	100	26

Party identification (with leaners)

Democrat	74	24	3	100	297
Republican	40	55	5	100	347
Neither	55	42	3	100	185
DK/Ref (Vol.)	71	28	1	100	23

Ideology

Liberal	69	28	3	100	206
Moderate	72	27	1	100	204
Conservative	42	54	4	100	414
DK/Ref (Vol.)	54	33	13	100	28