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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted October 1-13, 2019 with a random sample of **-1,526—** adults, ages 18+, living in all 50 U.S. states and the District of Columbia. For results based on this sample of national adults, the margin of sampling error is ± 3 percentage points at the 95% confidence level.

Interviews are conducted with respondents on landline telephones and cellular phones, with interviews conducted in Spanish for respondents who are primarily Spanish-speaking. Each sample of national adults includes a minimum quota of 70% cell phone respondents and 30% landline respondents, with additional minimum quotas by time zone within region. Landline and cell phone telephone numbers are selected using random digit dial methods. Gallup obtained sample for this study from Dynata. Landline respondents are chosen at random within each household on the basis of which member has the next birthday.

Samples are weighted to correct for unequal selection probability, non-response, and double coverage of landline and cell users in the two sampling frames. They are also weighted to match the national demographics of gender, age, race, Hispanic ethnicity, education, region, population density, and phone status (cell phone-only/landline only/both and cell phone mostly). Demographic weighting targets are based on the March 2018 Current Population Survey figures for the aged 18 and older U.S. population. Phone status targets are based on the January-June 2018 National Health Interview Survey. Population density targets are based on the 2010 census. All reported margins of sampling error include the computed design effects for weighting.

In addition to sampling error, question wording and practical difficulties in conducting surveys can introduce error or bias into the findings of public opinion polls. For questions about how this survey was conducted, please contact galluphelp@gallup.com.

Now, thinking about illegal drugs,

14. Overall, how would you describe the problem of drugs [ROTATED: in the United States/in the area where you live] -- is it extremely serious, very serious, moderately serious, not too serious, or not serious at all?

A. In the United States

	<u>Extremely serious</u>	<u>Very serious</u>	<u>Moderately serious</u>	<u>Not too serious</u>	<u>Not serious at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2019 Oct 1-13	37	36	22	4	1	*
2018 Oct 1-10	37	32	22	5	2	2
2017 Oct 5-11	33	38	23	4	1	*
2016 Oct 5-9	32	33	27	6	2	2
2011 Oct 6-9	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
2009 Oct 1-4	35	33	26	5	1	1
2007 Oct 4-7	35	38	24	1	1	1
2005 Oct 13-16	37	33	23	5	1	1
2003 Oct 6-8	31	40	24	3	1	1
2000 Aug 29-Sep 5	43	40	15	1	1	*

B. In the area where you live

	<u>Extremely serious</u>	<u>Very serious</u>	<u>Moderately serious</u>	<u>Not too serious</u>	<u>Not serious at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2019 Oct 1-13	16	17	37	22	8	*
2018 Oct 1-10	14	17	37	22	10	1
2017 Oct 5-11	13	16	36	20	12	2
2016 Oct 5-9	13	19	35	20	11	1
2011 Oct 6-9	11	18	36	25	10	1
2009 Oct 1-4	14	16	38	23	8	1
2007 Oct 4-7	14	15	39	21	10	2
2005 Oct 13-16	14	19	35	23	8	1
2003 Oct 6-8	13	17	36	22	11	1
2000 Aug 29-Sep 5	13	21	39	19	6	2

15. Now, how much progress do you feel the nation has made over the last year or two in coping with the problem of illegal drugs -- Has it made much progress, made some progress, stood still, lost some ground, or lost much ground?

	<u>Made much progress</u>	<u>Made some progress</u>	<u>Stood still</u>	<u>Lost some ground</u>	<u>Lost much ground</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<i>Total made progress</i>
2019 Oct 1-13	4	37	27	18	12	2	41
2018 Oct 1-10	5	33	26	19	14	3	38
2017 Oct 5-11	2	30	28	23	14	2	32
2011 Oct 6-9	3	28	31	21	14	3	31
2009 Oct 1-4	3	30	31	19	13	3	33
2007 Oct 4-7	3	31	31	19	13	3	34
2005 Oct 13-16	2	31	30	23	13	1	

