

## American Common Metrics Survey, September 2016

### Selected Findings

	Total U.S. Adults (%)	Republicans (%)
Q 5. Climate change refers to the idea that the world's average temperature is increasing, may increase more in the future, and that the world's climate may change as a result. What do you think: do you think that climate change is happening or not?		
Yes, climate change is happening	83	
No, climate change is not happening	9	
Not sure	8	

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Q 7. When it comes to climate change, which of the following is closer to your opinion?		
It is happening mainly due to human activities	26	
It is happening mainly due to natural causes	13	
It is happening due to a combination of both human activities and natural causes	55	
Climate change is not happening	5	
Not sure	2	

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Q 8. How personally concerned are you about climate change?		
Very concerned	38	23
Somewhat concerned	38	34
A little concerned	14	20
Not concerned at all	11	23

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Q 9. How much amount of wind and solar should the United States be producing as a source of energy as it is today?		
Much more	67	
Somewhat more	22	
Somewhat less	4	
Much less	4	
Same as today	4	

### Methodology

Lake Research Partners designed and administered this survey that was conducted online from September 12-29, 2016. The survey reached a total of 866 adults. The sample was drawn from an online panel and respondents were screened to be over the age of 18. The national sample was weighted slightly by gender, region, age, and race.

The margin of error for the sample is +/-3.3%. In interpreting survey results, all sample surveys are subject to possible sampling error; that is, the results of a survey may differ from those which would be obtained if the entire population were interviewed. The size of the sampling error depends upon both the total number of respondents in the survey and the percentage distribution of responses to a particular question. For example, if 50% of respondents in a sample of 900 respondents answered "Yes" to a particular question, we can be 95% confident that the true percentage will fall within 3.3 points, or from 46.7% to 53.3%.