

**PUERTO RICO****JUNE 2016**Interviewing dates: *June 20-30, 2016*Sample: *1,100 Puerto Rican voters, including an oversample of 150 voters in Ponce and 150 voters in San Juan. Oversample interviews are weighted down to zero in the overall results.***INITIAL TOPLINE**

0A. When Puerto Rico holds elections, would you say that you:

	<u>Jun 2016</u>	<u>May 2016</u>	<u>Mar 2016</u>	<u>Nov 2015</u>	<u>Dec 2014</u>
Always vote	<b>81%</b>	83%	83%	79%	83%
Almost always vote	<b>19</b>	17	17	21	17%
Only vote sometimes	-	-	-	-	-
Rarely or never vote	-	-	-	-	-
(Not sure)	-	-	-	-	-

1. Overall, are you generally satisfied or dissatisfied with how things are going in the United States at this time?

Generally satisfied	32%
Generally dissatisfied	51
(Not sure / Refused)	17

2. And thinking about Puerto Rico specifically, are you generally satisfied or dissatisfied with how things are going in Puerto Rico at this time?

Generally satisfied	10%
Generally dissatisfied	88
(Not sure / Refused)	2

3. I am going to mention some issues facing Puerto Rico. Please tell me which one is most important to you—which one concerns you and your family the most? **[RANDOMIZE]**

	<u>Jun 2016</u>	<u>Mar 2016</u>
Jobs and the economy	<b>30%</b>	27%
Crime and drugs	<b>21</b>	20
Cost of living	<b>12</b>	11
Political status	<b>11</b>	6
Moral values	<b>10</b>	15
Public education	<b>8</b>	12
Taxes	<b>4</b>	6
(Not sure / Refused)	<b>4</b>	3



4. Most people believe economic conditions in Puerto Rico are in the worst shape in years—who would you blame most? [RANDOMIZE]

	<b>Jun 2016</b>	Mar 2016	Oct 2015	Dec 2014	Sep 2012	Sep 2010
The Puerto Rican government	<b>43%</b>	53%	47%	44%	27%	27%
The overall world economy	<b>18</b>	18	20	27	41	44
The present Commonwealth status	<b>11</b>	9	10	9	n/a	n/a
The United States government	<b>5</b>	4	4	3	4	2
The private sector	<b>1</b>	1	1	1	3	2
(All of the above)	<b>17</b>	13	13	11	19	20
(Not sure / Refused)	<b>4</b>	3	4	6	5	4

I'm going to read you the names of some political figures. After each one, please tell me whether you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of that person. If you've never heard of someone, please just say so. [IF FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE: Is that strongly or only somewhat [favorable/unfavorable]?] [RANDOMIZE]

		-----Favorable-----			-----Unfavorable-----			(Not	
		TOTAL	Strongly	what	TOTAL	Strongly	what	heard of	Ref.)
5.	Ricky Rosselló								
	<b>June 2016</b>	<b>52%</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>
	May 2016	46%	20	26	39	21	17	2	13
	March 2016	45%	14	31	38	22	16	4	13
6.	Pedro Rosselló								
	<b>June 2016</b>	<b>53%</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>
7.	Jennifer Gonzalez								
	<b>June 2016</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
	May 2016	58%	30	28	29	16	13	3	10
	March 2016	56%	25	31	30	14	16	4	10
	September 2012	39%	12	27	41	20	21	5	14
	September 2010	42%	11	31	38	14	24	11	9
8.	David Bernier								
	<b>June 2016</b>	<b>51%</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>11</b>
	May 2016	50%	24	26	32	17	15	4	14
	March 2016	51%	20	31	29	14	15	8	13
9.	Hector Ferrer								
	<b>June 2016</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>
	May 2016	62%	31	31	21	10	11	4	13
	March 2016	51%	16	35	25	11	14	8	16
	September 2012	44%	15	29	34	18	16	6	16



As you may know, there will be an election for Governor of Puerto Rico this fall. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about that election. **[IF AGREE/DISAGREE: Is that strongly or just somewhat [agree/disagree]?] [RANDOMIZE]**

	-----Agree-----			-----Disagree-----			(Not Sure / Ref.)
	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Strongly</u>	<u>Some-what</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Strongly</u>	<u>Some-what</u>	
10. I will vote for the candidate who I believe will do the most to get statehood for Puerto Rico.	64%	51	13	32	26	7	4
11. I would prefer that the candidates spend less time talking about status and instead focus on plans to improve Puerto Rico's finances.	89%	79	10	8	6	3	2
12. I will vote for the candidate who I believe will do the most to resolve the question of Puerto Rico's status.	66%	53	13	29	23	6	5
13. I will vote for the candidate who I think will have the most influence in Washington, DC.	78%	61	17	15	10	6	7
14. How important will the candidate's position on the issue of statehood be in deciding your vote for Governor?							
The single most important factor	38%						
One of several important factors	31						
Not very important	12						
Not important at all	15						
(Not sure / Refused)	4						

15. If the election for Governor were held today, who would you vote for if the candidates were: **[IF NOT SURE: Which one would you lean towards?] [ROTATE]**

	<u>Jun 2016</u>	<u>May 2016</u>	<u>Mar 2016</u>
TOTAL ROSSELLÓ	46%	32%	31%
TOTAL BERNIER	26	28	25
TOTAL SANTIAGO	3	3	7
TOTAL BERNABE	2	1	1
TOTAL LUGARO	4	4	5
TOTAL CIDRE	5	5	6



PNP Ricky Rosselló	<b>43%</b>	30%	29%
(Lean Rosselló)	2	2	2
PPD David Bernier	<b>24</b>	26	23
(Lean Bernier)	2	2	2
PIP Maria de Lourdes Santiago	<b>3</b>	3	6
(Lean Maria de Lourdes Santiago)	-	-	1
PPT Rafael Bernabe	<b>2</b>	1	1
(Lean Rafael Bernabe)	-	-	<1
IND Alexandra Lugaro	<b>3</b>	3	4
(Lean Alexandra Lugaro)	1	1	1
IND Manuel Cidre	<b>4</b>	4	5
(Lean Manuel Cidre)	1	1	1
(Not sure / Refused)	<b>14</b>	26	25

16. If the election for Resident Commissioner were held today, who would you vote for if the candidates were: **[IF NOT SURE: Which one would you lean towards?]** **[ROTATE]**

	<u>Jun 2016</u>	<u>May 2016</u>	<u>Mar 2016</u>
TOTAL GONZALEZ	<b>50%</b>	38%	45%
TOTAL FERRER	<b>36</b>	37	27
TOTAL RODRIGUEZ	<b>2</b>	2	1
TOTAL NOGALES	<b>2</b>	2	1
PNP Jenniffer Gonzalez	<b>48%</b>	37%	43%
(Lean Jenniffer Gonzalez)	2	1	1
PDP Hector Ferrer	<b>34</b>	36	27
(Lean Hector Ferrer)	2	1	1
PIP Hugo Rodriguez	<b>2</b>	1	1
(Lean Hugo Rodriguez)	-	1	-
PPT Maria Nogales	<b>2</b>	1	1
(Lean Maria Nogales)	-	1	<1
(Not sure / Refused)	<b>10</b>	21	25

**[PONCE ONLY]**

17. If the election for mayor of Ponce were held today, who would you vote for if the candidates were: **[IF NOT SURE: Which one would you lean towards?]**

	<u>Jun 2016</u>	<u>Mar 2016</u>
TOTAL MELENDEZ	<b>43%</b>	37%
TOTAL VASALLO	<b>20</b>	18
TOTAL PÉREZ	<b>1</b>	2
TOTAL RAMOS	<b>9</b>	3
PNP María Melendez	<b>40%</b>	37%



(Lean María Melendez)	2	-
PDP Victor Vasallo	17	16
(Lean Victor Vasallo)	4	2
PIP Jose Escabí Pérez	1	2
(Lean Jose Escabí Pérez)	-	-
PPT Ramón Rodríguez Ramos	8	3
(Lean Ramón Rodríguez Ramos)	1	<1
(Don't know)	26	40

**[SAN JUAN ONLY]**

18. If the election for mayor of San Juan were held today, who would you vote for if the candidates were: **[IF NOT SURE: Which one would you lean towards?]**

	<u>Jun 2016</u>	<u>Mar 2016</u>
TOTAL DIAZ	39%	38%
TOTAL CRUZ	34	30
TOTAL COSTA	3	2
PNP Leo Diaz	38%	38%
(Lean Leo Diaz)	2	-
PDP Carmen Cruz	32	28
(Lean Carmen Cruz)	2	2
PIP Adrián González Costa	3	1
(Lean Adrián González Costa)	-	1
(Don't know)	23	31

Now I am going to mention some descriptions that could be used to describe the candidates for governor. Please tell me if each one is a better description of Ricky Rosselló or David Bernier. **[IF BOTH, ASK: Which would you say it describes more?]** **[RANDOMIZE]**

	<u>Rosselló</u>	<u>Bernier</u>	<u>(Neither)</u>	<u>(Both)</u>	<u>(Not Sure / Ref.)</u>
19. Has the right experience to be governor	34%	38	18	6	3
20. Has the knowledge to be governor	39%	37	15	7	2
21. Is trustworthy	40%	35	12	9	4
22. I agree with him on most issues	40%	32	16	8	5
23. Has the smarts and intelligence to be an effective governor	38%	36	12	10	3
24. Understands issues faced by people like me	37%	34	14	8	6
25. Is not a typical politician	35%	32	15	10	9
26. Will work well with leaders in Washington DC	42%	30	12	10	6

**[ROTATE NEXT TWO QUESTIONS]**

Now I am going to read you some statements you might hear about Ricky Rosselló. Please tell me whether each one makes you more or less likely to vote for Rosselló. If you don't believe a



particular statement, please say so. **[IF MORE / LESS LIKELY:** Is that much [more / less] likely, or only somewhat?].

		----More likely----			----Less likely----			(Not	
		Much	Some-		Some-	Much	Don't	Sure /	
		<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>more</u>	<u>what</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>what</u>	<u>less</u>	<u>believe</u>	
								<u>Ref.)</u>	
27.	<b>[SPLIT A]</b> Ricky Rosselló can be trusted to be a strong advocate for statehood. He has been unwavering in his support, as was his father when he was governor. Ricky Rosselló is driven to complete the work his father started and finally get statehood for Puerto Rico.	60%	47	13	21	10	11	17	2
28.	<b>[SPLIT B]</b> Ricky Rosselló can be trusted to be a strong advocate for statehood. He has spoken at the United Nations and with members of the United States Congress in support of statehood for Puerto Rico. He will be a new, forceful advocate for Puerto Rico's rights.	61%	44	17	21	9	11	16	2
29.	As a doctor and scientist, Ricky Rosselló will bring an analytical and methodical approach to governing that is just what we need to straighten out our government.	51%	35	16	24	12	12	21	3
30.	<b>[SPLIT A]</b> Puerto Rico's economic problems demand new solutions. Ricky Rosselló has a history of innovation, leading scientific research teams to make groundbreaking discoveries. He will bring the same passion, creativity, and analytical approach to getting Puerto Rico's economy working again.	56%	40	16	21	6	12	19	3
31.	<b>[SPLIT B]</b> Ricky Rosselló is carrying on a proud family tradition of making life better for all Puerto Ricans. When his father was governor, unemployment in Puerto Rico fell to some of the lowest rates in the last 25 years. Ricky will work tirelessly as Governor to get Puerto Rico's economy working again.	55%	36	19	25	11	14	18	2



	----More likely----			----Less likely----			(Not	
	Much	Some-		Some-	Much	Don't	Sure /	
	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>more</u>	<u>what</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>what</u>	<u>less</u>	<u>believe</u>	
							<u>Ref.)</u>	
32. Ricky Rosselló has been working tirelessly on two political projects: advocating statehood for Puerto Rico and developing the <i>Plan for Puerto Rico</i> , a strategy for fixing Puerto Rico's government and economy. He knows how much the status issue affects the economy, and is committed to working on both projects at the same time as governor.	57%	42	16	22	10	12	16	5

33. On another topic, do you approve or disapprove of creating a fiscal control board to improve government finances and improve the economy?

	<u>Jun 2016</u>	<u>May 2016</u>	<u>Mar 2016</u>
Approve	<b>65%</b>	55%	68%
Disapprove	<b>25</b>	26	20
(Not sure / Refused)	<b>10</b>	19	11

34. Do you think the approval of a fiscal control board and its members should be by:

	<u>Jun 2016</u>	<u>May 2016</u>	<u>Mar 2016</u>
The United States Congress	<b>61%</b>	56%	65%
The Government of Puerto Rico	<b>26</b>	26	22
(Not sure / Refused)	<b>13</b>	18	13

35. If a fiscal control board is put in place in Puerto Rico, should it be:

	<u>Jun 2016</u>	<u>May 2016</u>	<u>Mar 2016</u>
Short term and temporary	<b>42%</b>	26%	19%
Temporary, but longer term	<b>25</b>	39	38
Permanent	<b>23</b>	21	30
(Not sure / Refused)	<b>10</b>	14	13

Please tell me if you would approve or disapprove of giving each of the following duties and responsibilities to a fiscal control board. [RANDOMIZE]

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	(Not sure / <u>Refused</u> )
36. Approving the budget of Puerto Rico			
	<b>June 2016</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>17</b>
	May 2016	64%	18
	March 2016	72%	15
			<b>9</b>
			18
			14



37.	Cutting government expenditures	<b>June 2016</b>	<b>66%</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>6</b>
		May 2016	69%	18	13
		March 2016	73%	20	7
38.	Restructuring the government debt	<b>June 2016</b>	<b>76%</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>9</b>
		May 2016	75%	11	14
		March 2016	81%	9	10
39.	Taxes	<b>June 2016</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>8</b>
		May 2016	48%	37	15
		March 2016	60%	31	10
40.	If Congress approves and institutes a fiscal control board, would you like to see the next governor of Puerto Rico: <b>[RANDOMIZE]</b>				
	Work to limit the power and influence of the control board			19%	
	Work with the control board and help it do its job as intended by Congress?			73	
	(Not sure / Refused)			8	

***Turning now to political status...***

41. Do you favor or oppose seeking statehood for Puerto Rico? **[IF FAVOR / OPPOSE: Is that strongly or just somewhat [favor/oppose]?)**

	<u>Jun 2016</u>	<u>May 2016</u>	<u>Mar 2016</u>	<u>Oct 2015</u>	<u>Dec 2014</u>
TOTAL FAVOR	<b>68%</b>	63%	65%	61%	60%
TOTAL OPPOSE	<b>28</b>	28	23	24	24
Strongly favor	<b>56%</b>	50%	54%	45%	43%
Somewhat favor	<b>11</b>	13	11	16	17
Somewhat oppose	<b>7</b>	7	6	7	8
Strongly oppose	<b>22</b>	21	17	17	16
(Not sure)	<b>3</b>	7	10	14	13
(Refused)	<b>1</b>	2	2	2	3

**[IF FAVOR IN Q41]**

42. Would you say you have always favored statehood for Puerto Rico, or was there a time in the past when you opposed statehood?





	<u>Jun 2016</u>	<u>Mar 2016</u>
Always favored	<b>80%</b>	80%
Used to oppose statehood	<b>18</b>	16
(Not sure / Refused)	<b>2</b>	4

**[ROTATE NEXT TWO QUESTIONS]**

43. If there is another status plebiscite and the options are **[ROTATE]** statehood for Puerto Rico, keeping things as they are now, or independence, which would you choose: **[READ LIST]**

	<u>Statehood</u>	<u>Independence</u>	<u>Keeping things as they are now</u>	<u>(Not sure / Refused)</u>
<b>June 2016</b>	<b>63%</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>6</b>
May 2016	60%	8	22	9
March 2016	59%	7	22	12
October 2015	58%	9	22	11
December 2014	57%	7	25	11
October 2012*	51%	4	27	17
September 2010	41%	9	41	9
October 2008	46%	8	42	4
November 2007	50%	7	38	4
November 2006	50%	6	38	6
July 2006	46%	6	41	6
November 2004	42%	5	48	5
August 2004	46%	7	43	4
December 2003	44%	8	42	6
November 2003	41%	7	44	8
December 2002	45%	8	43	4
November 2001	48%	3	45	4
November 2000	45%	6	45	6

*\*Poll wording was identical to 2012 plebiscite question*

44. If there is another status plebiscite and the options are **[ROTATE]** statehood for Puerto Rico, Sovereign Commonwealth, or independence, which would you choose: **[READ LIST]**

	<u>Statehood</u>	<u>Independence</u>	<u>Sovereign Commonwealth</u>	<u>(NS/Ref)</u>
<b>June 2016</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>8</b>
May 2016	56%	6	30	8
March 2016	61%	7	17	15
October 2015	58%	9	20	13
December 2014	59%	7	20	14



45. On a different topic, how important is the status issue to you personally? Is it...

	<u>Jun 2016</u>	<u>Mar 2016</u>	<u>Oct 2015</u>	<u>Dec 2014</u>
Extremely important	<b>39%</b>	38%	33%	37%
Very important	<b>37</b>	32	33	27
Somewhat important	<b>11</b>	13	15	13
Not very important	<b>6</b>	9	11	12
Not important at all	<b>4</b>	3	4	9
(Not sure / Refused)	<b>4</b>	6	4	2

46. If the U.S. Congress offered Puerto Rico statehood now, would you vote to accept statehood?

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>(Not sure / Refused)</u>
<b>June 2016</b>	<b>73%</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>6</b>
March 2016	71%	17	12
October 2015	69%	21	10
December 2014	70%	20	10
September 2012	69%	22	9
September 2010	68%	23	10
October 2008	76%	17	7

47. Regardless of how you personally feel about statehood, do you think it is inevitable that Puerto Rico will eventually become a state?

Yes	61%
No	28
(Not sure / Refused)	11

48. Regardless of how you personally feel about the status issue, which status do you think would have the most potential for improving Puerto Rico's economic situation?  
[RANDOMIZE]

Statehood	70%
Keeping things as they are now	18
Independence	7
(Not sure / Refused)	5

*Now I'd like to ask you a few questions for classification purposes only.*

49. In which of the following categories is your age?

18-21	4%
22-26	5
27-32	6
33-40	9



41-52	21
53-63	24
64+	31
(Not Sure / Refused)	1

50. When it comes to political parties, do you consider yourself a: **[READ LIST]**

	<u>PNP</u>	<u>PPD</u>	<u>PIP</u>	<u>Some- thing else</u>	<u>(Not sure / Ref.)</u>
<b>June 2016</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>
May 2016	36%	21	1	16	25
March 2016	31%	18	2	13	35
October 2015	33%	17	2	16	33
December 2014	32%	18	2	10	38
September 2012	34%	26	2	13	25
September 2010	33%	22	2	17	27
October 2008	40%	25	2	12	20
November 2007	38%	21	2	14	25
November 2006	28%	25	2	18	26
July 2006	28%	24	2	16	29
November 2004	36%	31	4	20	9
August 2004	36%	27	4	14	19
December 2003	35%	27	3	18	17
November 2003	31%	31	4	19	16
December 2002	33%	28	2	20	17
November 2001	34%	31	4	17	14
November 2000	37%	34	6	13	10
November 30, 2000	38%	33	6	15	8
November 2000	40%	30	6	13	11
September 2000	41%	30	4	13	11
November 1999	40%	33	4	14	9
September 1999	39%	30	4	10	16

51. What is the highest level of formal education you have completed?

Less than high school	29%
High school	25
Some college or vocational training beyond high school	21
College graduate	22
(Not sure / Refused)	3

52. Which of the following describes your current job situation: **[READ LIST]**

You have a full-time job 24%



You have a part-time job	10
You are looking for a job	8
You are not working because of age or disability	37
You are a student	2
You are a full-time mother or homemaker	9
You are neither working nor looking for work	3
You have 2 jobs or supplement with multi-level sales	-
(None of the above)	6

53. In which of the following categories is your personal income?

Under \$5,000 per year	27%
\$5,000 to \$9,999	18
\$10,000 to \$11,999	10
\$12,000 to \$17,999	11
\$18,000 to \$19,999	4
\$20,000 to \$29,999	10
\$30,000 to \$49,999	7
\$50,000 to \$89,999	3
\$90,000 and over	2
(Not sure)	5
(Refused)	4

54. Which of the following best describes you: **[READ LIST]**

I am a practicing Roman Catholic,	30%
I am a Roman Catholic,	32
I belong to another Christian denomination,	22
I belong to a non-Christian religion, or	4
I don't belong to any religion at all?	8
(Not sure / Refused)	3

55. What is your zip code? **[CODE TO REGION]**

San Juan	10%
Bayamon	15
Arecibo	11
Mayaguez	14
Ponce	11
Guayama	12
Humacao	15
Carolina	12



56. Sex **[OBSERVATION ONLY, DO NOT ASK]**

Male	48%
Female	52

