



## Public Confidence in Major Institutions

Now I am going to read you a list of institutions in American society.

Please tell me how much confidence you, yourself, have in each one -- a great deal, quite a lot, some, or very little?

### CONFIDENCE IN INSTITUTIONS -- FULL TREND (COMBINES PERCENT "GREAT DEAL" AND "QUITE A LOT")

	Banks %	Congress %	Television News %	The Presidency %	Big Business %
1973		42			26
1975		40			34
1977		40			33
1979	60	34			32
1981	46	29			20
1983	51	28			28
1984	51	29			29
1985	51	39			31
1986	49	41			28
1987	51				
1988	49	35			25
1989	42	32			
1990	36	24			25
1991	30	18		50	22
1991	32	30		72	26
1993	37	18	46	43	22
1994	35	18	35	38	26
1995	43	21	33	45	21
1996	44	20	36	39	24
1997	41	22	34	49	28
1998	40	28	34	53	30
1999	43	26	34	49	30
2000	46	24	36	42	29
2001	44	26	34	48	28
2002	47	29	35	58	20
2003	50	29	35	55	22
2004	53	30	30	52	24
2005	49	22	28	44	22
2006	49	19	31	33	18
2007	41	14	23	25	18
2008	32	12	24	26	20
2009	22	17	23	51	16

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