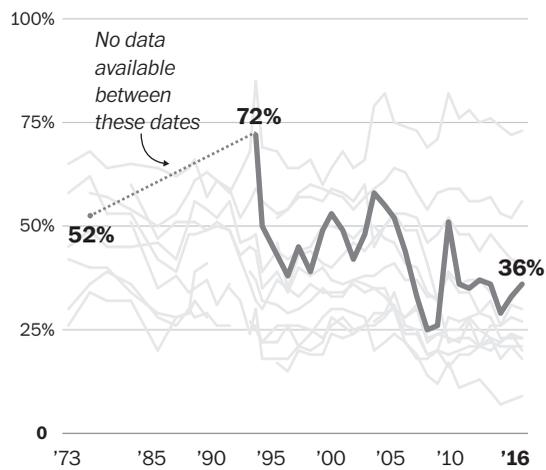


# Americans have lost faith in their institutions

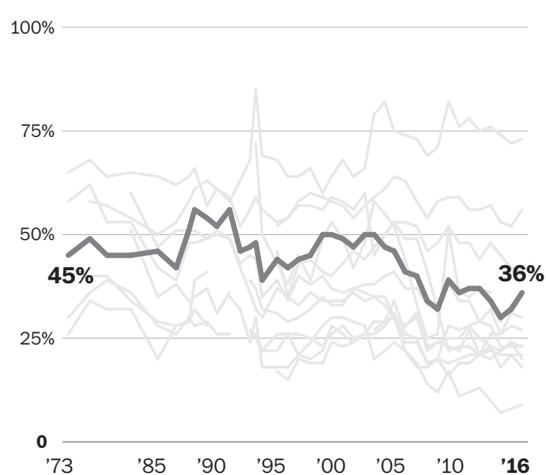
Over the past 40 years, trust in most American institutions has declined. Gallup polls of U.S. adults over that period asked “how much confidence you, yourself, have in each” of the following. The results below are the combined percentage of those answering a “great deal” or “quite a lot.”

## GOVERNMENT

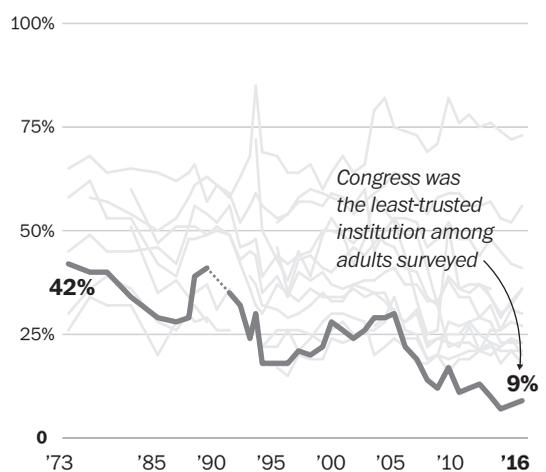
### The presidency



### U.S. Supreme Court

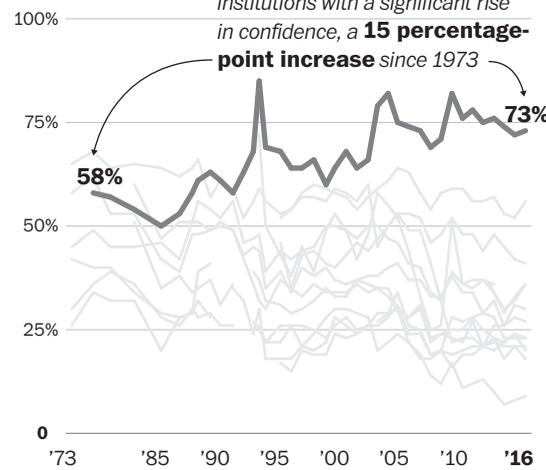


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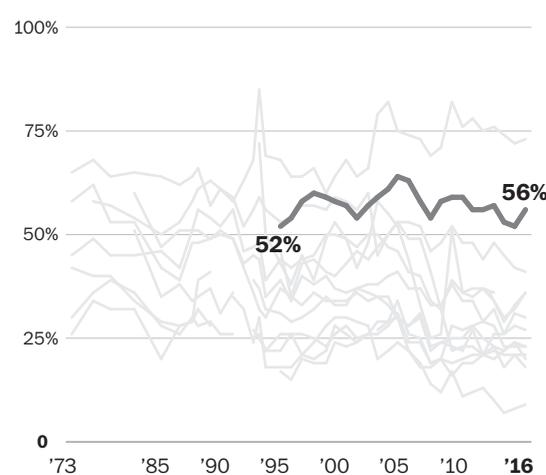


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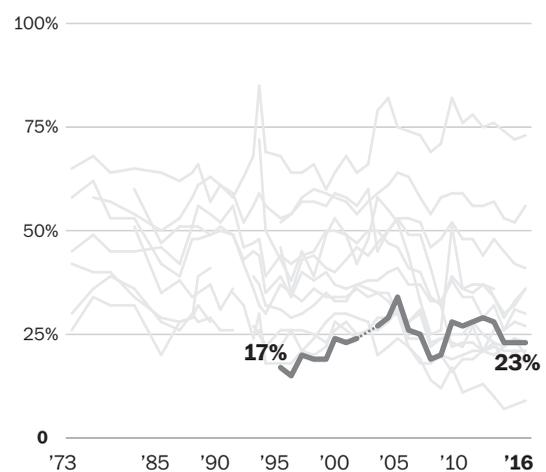
### The military



### The police

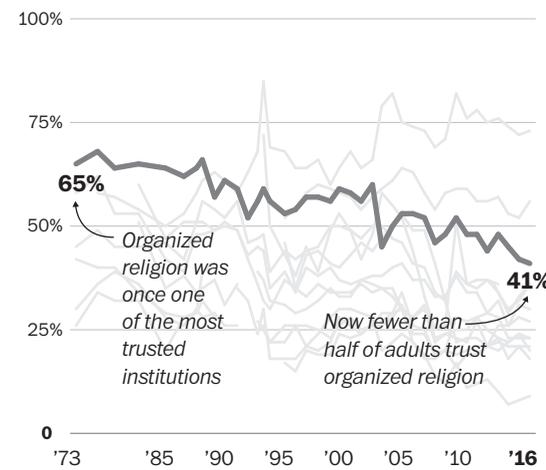


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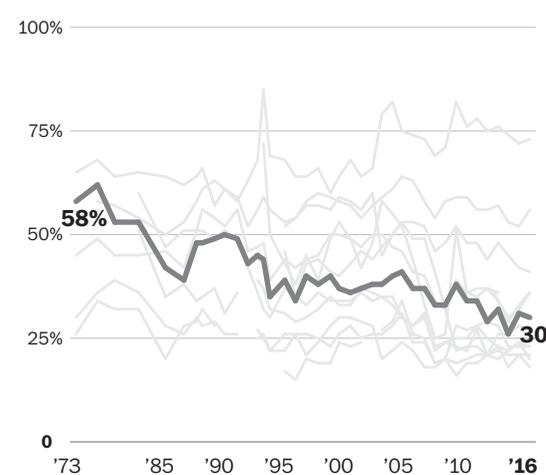


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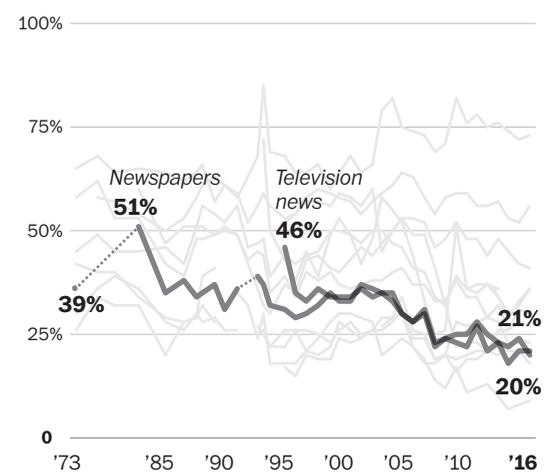
### The church or organized religion



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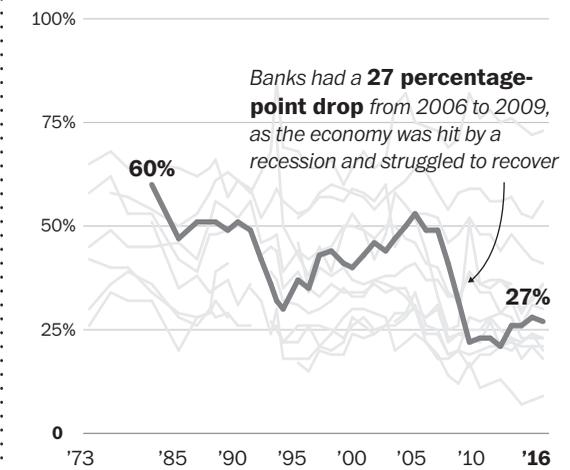


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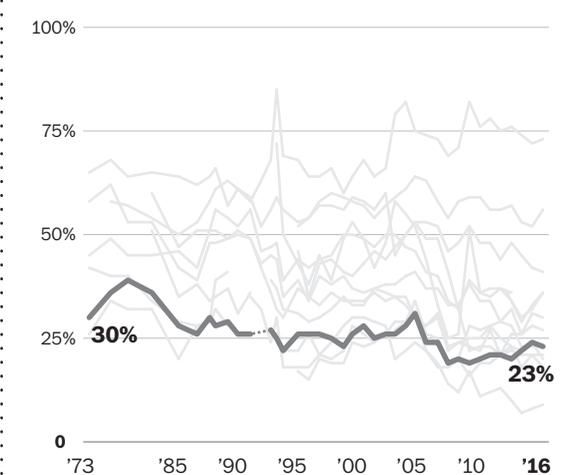


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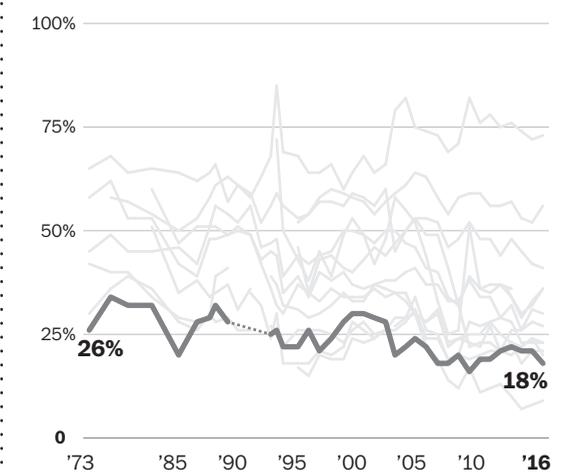
### Banks



### Organized labor



### Big business



Survey methods varied over time, with the latest poll conducted June 1-5, 2016, among 1,027 adults reached through a random national sample of cellular and landline phones. The margin of sampling error is plus or minus four percentage points. Surveys from 1989 through 2015 were conducted by telephone, while surveys from 1973 through 1988 were conducted face to face.