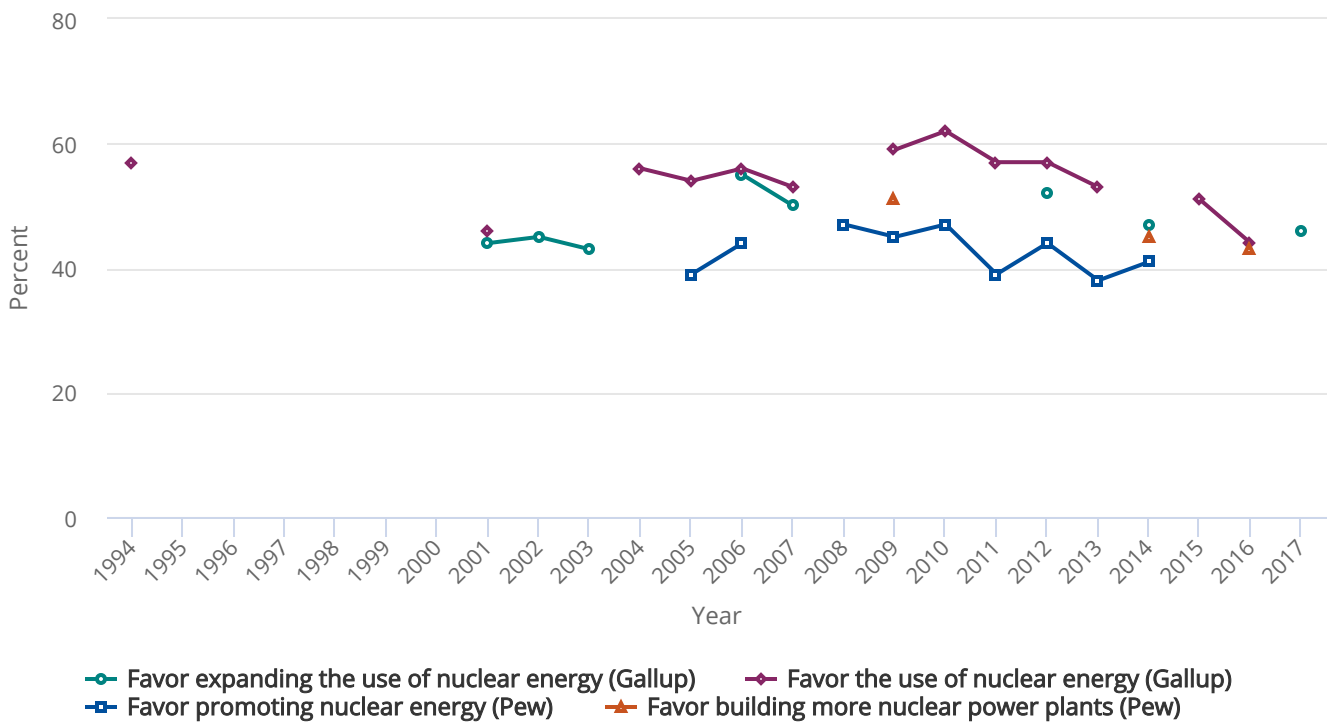


FIGURE 7-20

Views on nuclear energy: 1994–2017



Note(s)

Data are not available for all years. Responses to:

I am going to read some specific environmental proposals. For each one, please say whether you generally favor or oppose it. How about [e]xpanding the use of nuclear energy?

Overall, do you strongly favor, somewhat favor, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose the use of nuclear energy as one of the ways to provide electricity for the U.S.?(Figure shows combined responses for "strongly favor" and "somewhat favor.")

As I read some possible government policies to address America's energy supply, tell me whether you would favor or oppose each. [W]ould you favor or oppose the government promoting the increased use of nuclear power?(The 2010 data point is the average of responses to four surveys conducted that year. The 2011 data point is the average of responses to two surveys conducted that year.)

Do you favor or oppose building more nuclear power plants to generate electricity?

Source(s)



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