



THE AP-GfK POLL

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A telephone survey of the American general population (ages 18+)

Interview dates: October 13 – 17, 2011

Number of interviews: 1,000

Margin of error for the total sample: +/- 4.0 percentage points at the 95% confidence level

NOTE: All results show percentages among all respondents, unless otherwise labeled.

Please refer to the exact sample number at the bottom of each table.

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CUR1. Generally speaking, would you say things in this country are heading in the right direction or in the wrong direction?

	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	12/10-14/09	10/1-5/09	HIGH 4/16-20/09	LOW 10/16-20/08	1 Year Ago 10/13-18/10
Right direction	24	21	33	45	35	37	37	38	39	40	35	37	35	41	46	41	48	17	38
Wrong direction	72	75	63	52	62	57	58	59	59	57	60	60	59	57	50	51	44	78	59
Don't know [VOL]	5	4	3	3	3	6	5	3	3	2	4	2	5	2	5	8	7	5	3
Refused [VOL]	*	*	1	*	*	1	*	1	-	-	1	*	*	*	1	*	1	1	1

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CUR20. When you think about how things are going in your life in general, would you say you are very happy, somewhat happy, neither happy nor unhappy, somewhat unhappy, or very unhappy?

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Total happy	75	78	80	81	80	77	80	80	80	78	75	78	80	78	80	81	75	80
Very happy	33	30	35	37	35	39	34	38	40	39	30	34	36	35	32	37	32	38
Somewhat happy	42	48	45	44	45	39	46	42	40	40	45	44	44	42	49	44	43	42
Neither happy nor unhappy	6	4	6	4	5	8	7	4	3	7	8	7	7	6	6	4	7	4
Total unhappy	18	17	14	14	15	15	13	16	17	15	16	15	14	16	13	14	17	16
Somewhat unhappy	11	11	8	9	11	11	8	10	11	11	11	10	10	10	8	9	11	10
Very unhappy	7	6	6	5	4	4	5	6	6	4	6	5	4	6	5	5	6	6
Don't know [VOL]	*	*	-	*	*	*	*	*	0	-	*	*	*	*	1	*	1	*
Refused [VOL]	-	*	*	-	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	1	*	-	*	*

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CUR2./

CUR3. Overall, please tell me whether you approve, disapprove, or neither approve nor disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president.

[IF "APPROVE," ASK:] Is that strongly approve or somewhat approve?

[IF "DISAPPROVE," ASK:] Is that strongly disapprove or somewhat disapprove?

[IF "NEITHER," ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president?

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Total approve	46	46	52	60	53	53	47	49	45	49	49	50	49	49	53	56	56	67	46	49
Strongly approve	20	19	24	32	24	24	24	23	29	22	23	24	23	24	24	29	26	37	19	23
Somewhat approve	20	20	21	23	25	23	20	21	14	23	21	20	21	22	22	22	25	23	20	21
Lean approve	5	6	6	6	5	6	3	5	2	4	5	5	5	4	7	5	5	8	6	5
Neither—don't lean [VOL]	1	1	*	1	2	1	1	1	*	*	*	1	*	1	1	1	2	4	1	1
Total disapprove	52	52	47	39	45	46	51	50	54	50	50	49	50	50	46	42	42	24	52	50
Lean disapprove	4	3	4	4	5	5	4	4	1	5	4	5	5	3	3	4	2	4	3	4
Somewhat disapprove	12	13	12	10	11	12	12	12	10	12	10	13	12	10	12	9	12	4	13	12
Strongly disapprove	36	36	30	25	29	29	35	35	43	33	36	31	33	36	31	29	28	16	36	35
Don't know [VOL]	1	1	1	*	*	1	1	1	1	1	1	*	1	*	*	1	1	5	1	1
Refused [VOL]	*	*	*	*	*	*	1	*	*	*	*	-	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

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CUR4./

CUR5. Overall, please tell me whether you approve, disapprove, or neither approve nor disapprove of the way Congress is handling its job.

[IF "APPROVE," ASK:] Is that strongly approve or somewhat approve?

[IF "DISAPPROVE," ASK:] Is that strongly disapprove or somewhat disapprove?

[IF "NEITHER," ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Congress is handling its job?

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Total approve	16	12	21	30	27	26	26	23	20	26	24	24	28	28	22	32	33	30	38	12	23	
Strongly approve	3	2	4	4	4	4	3	4	4	3	4	5	6	4	2	4	3	7	5	2	4	
Somewhat approve	11	8	16	23	19	18	20	17	15	19	17	17	20	20	18	24	27	20	28	8	17	
Lean approve	3	1	2	4	4	3	3	2	1	4	3	3	2	4	2	3	2	3	5	1	2	
Neither—don't lean [VOL]	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	*	*	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	
Total disapprove	82	87	76	68	71	69	71	75	79	73	74	73	71	70	76	66	65	66	55	87	75	
Lean disapprove	3	3	5	4	7	5	4	5	3	4	4	6	4	5	6	5	4	5	5	3	5	
Somewhat disapprove	23	24	27	28	26	26	24	26	23	23	24	22	24	18	24	23	23	20	19	24	26	
Strongly disapprove	56	60	44	36	38	38	43	44	53	47	46	45	43	47	46	39	38	41	31	60	44	
Don't know [VOL]	1	*	1	1	1	4	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	4	*	1	
Refused [VOL]	*	*	1	*	*	*	*	*	-	*	*	-	*	-	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

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ELE20 and ELE37/ELE38 previously released

CURX1. How important are the following issues to you personally... Not at all important, slightly important, moderately important, very important or extremely important? How about... [READ EACH ITEM. RANDOMIZE]

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The economy...																			
Extremely/Very important	93	92	93	90	90	91	88	89	91	92	91	91	92	92	92	93	87	89	
Extremely important	55	52	52	51	50	49	45	47	50	47	50	50	49	47	46	52	42	47	
Very important	38	41	41	39	40	42	43	42	41	46	42	41	42	44	46	41	45	42	
Moderately important	4	5	5	6	8	7	9	9	8	6	7	7	7	7	6	5	9	9	
Slightly/Not at all important	3	3	1	4	2	2	3	2	1	2	1	3	2	2	2	1	4	2	
Slightly important	2	2	1	3	1	2	3	2	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	1	3	2	
Not at all important	1	1	*	1	1	1	*	*	*	1	*	*	*	*	1	*	1	*	
Don't know [VOL]	-	*	-	*	-	*	*	*	-	-	*	*	*	-	-	-	*	*	
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The situation in Iraq...																			
Extremely/Very important	58	55	58	54	52	62	59	57	57	63	63	67	63	62	61	67	52	57	
Extremely important	27	23	24	23	21	27	25	22	24	28	29	32	31	27	27	30	21	22	
Very important	32	32	34	31	31	35	34	34	33	35	34	35	32	35	34	37	31	34	
Moderately important	22	27	26	24	29	23	23	25	26	23	24	20	24	21	23	21	29	25	
Slightly/Not at all important	19	16	16	21	18	15	16	18	17	14	13	13	13	17	15	12	18	18	
Slightly important	12	10	12	16	12	8	12	12	11	10	10	9	7	12	10	9	12	12	
Not at all important	7	6	4	5	6	6	4	6	6	4	3	4	6	5	5	3	6	6	
Don't know [VOL]	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	*	*	*	1	*	*	*	*	1	1	*	
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Health care...																			
Extremely/Very important	79	79	83	77	80	80	78	80	80	82	80	77	80	80	73	83	73	80	
Extremely important	42	43	44	42	44	39	38	41	43	43	44	42	42	43	40	44	40	41	
Very important	37	35	39	35	36	41	41	39	37	39	35	36	38	36	33	39	33	39	
Moderately important	15	14	11	16	12	13	13	13	12	11	13	15	12	11	17	11	17	13	
Slightly/Not at all important	6	7	5	7	7	7	8	7	8	7	8	8	8	9	9	5	9	7	
Slightly important	4	5	4	5	6	5	6	5	5	5	5	6	5	6	6	4	6	5	
Not at all important	2	2	2	2	1	2	2	3	3	2	3	2	3	3	3	2	3	3	
Don't know [VOL]	1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	-	*	*	*	*	1	*	1	*	
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Terrorism...																			
Extremely/Very important	73	73	74	74	73	78	77	72	70	77	74	78	81	77	82	83	72	72	
Extremely important	40	41	38	41	40	42	37	36	36	40	40	48	45	42	44	48	36	36	
Very important	34	33	36	33	34	36	40	36	33	37	34	30	35	36	37	35	36	36	
Moderately important	16	13	15	15	16	13	14	17	20	14	16	14	12	14	9	12	17	17	
Slightly/Not at all important	10	13	10	11	11	8	9	11	11	9	10	8	7	9	9	6	11	11	
Slightly important	6	9	6	7	7	4	6	7	7	5	6	6	5	7	7	4	7	7	
Not at all important	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	4	4	4	4	2	3	2	2	2	4	4	
Don't know [VOL]	*	*	1	*	*	1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
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The environment...																			
Extremely/Very important	58	63	66	66	66	67	60	59	52	65	60	72	64	59	62	72	58	59	
Extremely important	26	30	29	33	30	30	26	26	23	28	28	37	32	27	29	37	26	26	
Very important	32	33	38	34	36	37	34	33	29	37	32	35	32	32	33	35	32	33	
Moderately important	26	24	22	18	22	21	24	27	29	22	24	19	22	24	20	19	26	27	
Slightly/Not at all important	15	12	11	15	12	11	16	15	19	13	16	9	14	17	17	9	15	15	
Slightly important	13	8	9	12	9	10	11	10	13	10	11	7	10	11	13	7	13	10	
Not at all important	3	4	3	3	3	2	5	5	6	4	4	1	4	6	5	1	3	5	
Don't know [VOL]	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	-	-	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
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Federal budget deficit...																		
Extremely/Very important	80	78	78	76	76	76	73	72	77	75	75	77	76	77	75	80	71	72
Extremely important	44	46	41	39	41	40	35	34	41	38	41	42	41	43	41	44	35	34
Very important	36	33	36	36	35	36	37	38	37	37	34	34	35	34	34	36	37	38
Moderately important	12	13	15	16	16	16	15	17	15	17	17	15	16	16	14	12	19	17
Slightly/Not at all important	7	8	7	8	8	8	12	10	8	8	8	7	8	6	10	7	9	10
Slightly important	5	6	5	5	6	5	8	7	6	5	6	6	6	5	7	5	6	7
Not at all important	2	2	2	3	3	3	4	3	1	3	2	2	2	1	3	2	3	3
Don't know [VOL]	1	*	1	*	*	1	1	*	*	*	*	1	1	1	1	1	1	*
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Energy ...																		
Extremely/Very important	67	73	77	74	74	74	67	67	67	70	64	74	73	70	67	77	64	67
Extremely important	29	35	34	35	37	31	25	27	28	29	29	32	31	32	29	34	29	27
Very important	38	38	43	39	37	44	42	41	39	41	35	43	41	37	38	43	35	41
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Slightly/Not at all important	10	8	6	6	8	8	11	10	9	11	12	8	9	9	10	6	12	10
Slightly important	9	6	5	5	7	7	9	8	8	10	11	7	8	8	9	5	11	8
Not at all important	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1
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Taxes...																			
Extremely/Very important	73	72	73	69	68	71	70	69	73	71	69	68	69	67	72	74	66	69	
Extremely important	32	33	34	35	31	34	30	31	34	32	34	36	35	35	31	34	32	31	
Very important	41	39	39	34	38	37	40	39	39	39	35	33	34	33	41	40	35	39	
Moderately important	21	18	18	22	22	19	21	21	19	20	20	20	21	24	19	19	23	21	
Slightly/Not at all important	6	9	9	9	10	9	9	10	8	9	11	11	10	9	9	8	10	10	
Slightly important	5	6	8	7	7	7	7	7	6	7	8	8	7	8	7	6	9	7	
Not at all important	2	3	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	1	2	
Don't know [VOL]	*	1	-	*	*	*	-	*	-	*	*	*	1	*	*	*	*	*	
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	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	3/3-8/10	HIGH 6/9-14/10	LOW 8/18-22/11	1 Year Ago 10/13-18/10	
Immigration...																			
Extremely/Very important	56	51	58	53	55	60	58	58	62	64	64	65	60	56	54	65	51	58	
Extremely important	26	23	25	24	27	30	24	25	30	35	34	34	28	26	23	34	23	25	
Very important	30	28	32	29	28	30	34	32	32	29	31	31	32	30	30	31	28	32	
Moderately important	23	26	21	25	25	20	18	23	21	19	20	20	23	21	23	20	26	23	
Slightly/Not at all important	20	23	21	22	21	19	24	19	17	17	16	15	16	22	23	15	23	19	
Slightly important	16	14	14	15	14	13	15	13	12	11	11	9	10	14	14	9	14	13	
Not at all important	5	9	6	6	6	5	8	7	5	6	5	6	6	8	9	6	9	7	
Don't know [VOL]	1	1	*	1	*	1	*	*	*	*	-	*	1	1	*	*	1	*	
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CURX1. (Continued) How important are the following issues to you personally... Not at all important, slightly important, moderately important, very important or extremely important? How about... [READ EACH ITEM. RANDOMIZE]

	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	3/3-8/10	HIGH 9/8-13/10	LOW 3/24-28/11	1 Year Ago 10/13-18/10	
The situation in Afghanistan...																			
Extremely/Very important	61	61	63	59	55	64	64	65	68	73	70	70	67	64	65	73	55	65	
Extremely important	27	28	26	27	21	30	28	28	29	31	35	32	29	28	28	31	21	28	
Very important	34	33	38	32	34	34	37	37	39	42	35	39	37	37	37	42	34	37	
Moderately important	22	23	23	24	28	22	22	22	24	16	20	18	22	23	20	16	28	22	
Slightly/Not at all important	16	15	13	16	17	14	14	13	8	11	10	11	11	13	14	11	17	13	
Slightly important	9	9	8	11	11	8	10	9	6	9	6	8	6	9	8	9	11	9	
Not at all important	6	7	4	5	6	6	3	3	3	3	3	4	5	4	5	3	6	3	
Don't know [VOL]	1	1	1	1	1	1	*	1	*	*	1	1	*	*	1	*	1	1	
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	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	3/3-8/10	HIGH 4/16-20/09	LOW 10/13-17/11	1 Year Ago 10/13-18/10	
Relationships with other countries...																			
Extremely/Very important	56	59	60	61	64	63	57	58	57	61	63	64	63	65	60	68	56	58	
Extremely important	21	25	24	26	26	23	20	23	22	23	27	29	22	27	24	28	21	23	
Very important	35	34	36	35	38	40	38	36	34	39	36	35	41	38	37	40	35	36	
Moderately important	29	27	26	26	26	24	24	28	30	23	23	23	24	22	25	21	29	28	
Slightly/Not at all important	14	15	13	13	11	13	19	14	13	15	13	13	14	13	15	11	14	14	
Slightly important	11	10	9	10	7	10	13	10	9	11	11	10	9	9	11	8	11	10	
Not at all important	4	5	4	3	4	4	6	4	3	4	3	3	5	4	4	3	4	4	
Don't know [VOL]	1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	-	*	1	1	*	1	*	
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Unemployment...																			
Extremely/Very important	86	85	86	78	82	82	83	82	84	86	83	83	84	83	84	86	78	82	
Extremely important	45	45	42	41	41	40	38	38	40	41	43	44	40	40	41	41	41	38	
Very important	40	40	44	37	41	42	45	44	44	45	40	38	44	43	43	45	37	44	
Moderately important	10	11	9	13	12	12	12	12	11	10	12	12	12	12	12	10	13	12	
Slightly/Not at all important	5	4	5	9	6	5	5	6	5	4	5	5	5	6	5	4	9	6	
Slightly important	4	3	3	5	5	4	5	4	3	3	4	3	3	4	3	3	5	4	
Not at all important	1	2	2	4	1	2	1	2	2	1	1	2	2	2	2	1	4	2	
Don't know [VOL]	*	*	*	*	*	*	-	*	*	*	-	*	-	*	*	*	*	*	
Refused [VOL]	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	

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	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	3/3-8/10	HIGH 5/5-9/11	LOW 9/8-13/10	1 Year Ago 10/13-18/10
Gas prices...																		
Extremely/Very important	65	70	75	79	77	71	54	56	51	54	55	62	66	66	62	79	54	56
Extremely important	33	34	39	47	42	36	23	23	21	23	24	28	34	32	31	47	23	23
Very important	32	36	36	32	35	35	30	33	30	31	32	35	31	34	31	32	31	33
Moderately important	22	19	14	14	16	19	30	29	34	28	27	25	19	23	24	14	28	29
Slightly/Not at all important	13	12	10	7	7	10	15	15	16	18	18	13	15	11	15	7	18	15
Slightly important	8	9	8	5	5	8	12	10	11	11	12	11	10	10	11	5	11	10
Not at all important	5	3	2	2	2	3	3	5	5	7	6	2	5	2	4	2	7	5
Don't know [VOL]	-	*	-	*	-	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	-	*	*	*	*	*
Refused [VOL]	-	*	*	-	*	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Education...													
Extremely/Very important	86	86	87	85	86	85	83	81	77	82	83	83	82
Extremely important	46	45	47	47	48	47	41	39	40	41	43	44	42
Very important	40	41	41	38	38	37	42	42	38	42	40	39	40
Moderately important	9	11	9	11	9	10	12	13	17	13	13	12	14
Slightly/Not at all important	5	4	4	4	5	5	5	6	7	5	5	6	5
Slightly important	4	3	3	3	3	4	5	5	5	4	3	5	4
Not at all important	1	1	1	1	2	1	*	1	1	1	2	1	1
Don't know [VOL]	*	-	*	-	*	*	-	-	-	-	-	*	-
Refused [VOL]	-	-	*	-	*	*	-	-	-	-	*	-	-

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CURX2. And please tell me if you approve, disapprove or neither approve nor disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling each of the following issues. How about...

[PROBE FOR APPROVE/DISAPPROVE: Strongly or somewhat?]

CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR REFUSED IN CURX2, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling... [INSERT ITEM]?

The economy...	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	3/3-8/10	HIGH 4/16-20/09	LOW 8/18-22/11	1 Year Ago 10/13-18/10
Total approve	40	36	40	52	47	47	41	43	42	42	41	45	45	44	46	58	36	43
Strongly approve	14	11	14	21	18	18	16	15	17	17	16	18	18	20	20	30	11	15
Somewhat approve	24	24	26	30	27	28	24	28	23	23	26	27	26	24	26	28	24	28
Lean approve	2	1	1	2	2	1	1	2	2	2	-	-	*	*	*	*	1	2
Neither approve nor disapprove	*	1	1	1	*	1	1	*	*	1	3	5	4	5	6	6	1	*
Total disapprove	60	63	59	47	53	53	58	55	58	58	56	50	52	51	48	35	63	55
Lean disapprove	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	2	*	*	*	-	*	*	1	2
Somewhat disapprove	13	14	17	15	17	14	17	13	12	16	15	16	15	14	11	10	14	13
Strongly disapprove	46	48	40	31	35	38	40	40	45	39	41	34	36	38	36	25	48	40
Don't know [VOL]	*	*	*	1	-	-	*	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	1	*	*
Refused [VOL]	*	*	-	-	-	-	-	*	*	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	*	*

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CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR REFUSED IN CURX2, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling... [INSERT ITEM?]

The situation in Iraq...	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	3/3-8/10	HIGH 5/5-9/11	LOW 8/11-16/10	1 Year Ago 10/13-18/10
Total approve	51	51	52	62	55	57	54	56	53	60	45	46	51	49	55	62	45	56
Strongly approve	20	14	17	23	16	20	18	19	19	24	17	13	21	16	20	23	17	19
Somewhat approve	29	35	31	35	35	35	32	34	31	34	28	32	30	33	35	35	28	34
Lean approve	2	2	4	4	3	2	3	3	3	2	*	*	*	*	*	4	*	3
Neither approve nor disapprove	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	11	14	11	10	12	1	11	1
Total disapprove	46	47	46	36	45	41	45	43	46	39	43	40	38	41	33	36	43	43
Lean disapprove	1	2	2	2	3	2	3	2	2	2	*	*	*	-	-	2	*	2
Somewhat disapprove	19	20	17	19	21	17	19	21	22	16	20	15	19	18	15	19	20	21
Strongly disapprove	26	24	26	15	21	22	24	20	22	21	24	25	19	24	18	15	24	20
Don't know [VOL]	1	1	1	1	*	*	*	*	*	-	*	*	-	-	-	1	*	*
Refused [VOL]	*	*	*	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	-

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CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR REFUSED IN CURX2, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling... [INSERT ITEM]?

Health care...	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	3/3-8/10	HIGH 5/5-9/11	LOW 9/3-8/09	1 Year Ago 10/13-18/10
Total approve	45	46	45	54	52	51	48	47	46	50	45	49	45	44	49	54	42	47
Strongly approve	24	23	24	29	27	29	25	26	27	26	24	29	30	28	29	29	22	26
Somewhat approve	21	22	20	24	24	20	22	19	18	22	21	20	16	17	20	24	19	19
Lean approve	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	2	1	2	*	*	*	*	*	1	1	2
Neither approve nor disapprove	1	1	1	*	*	1	1	*	*	*	2	4	4	4	5	*	6	*
Total disapprove	54	53	54	46	48	49	51	53	54	50	53	46	51	52	46	46	52	53
Lean disapprove	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	*	*	-	1	*	1
Somewhat disapprove	10	11	12	11	10	11	10	9	4	11	11	10	9	7	8	11	10	9
Strongly disapprove	42	42	41	34	37	37	40	43	49	39	42	36	42	45	38	34	43	43
Don't know [VOL]	*	*	*	*	-	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	*	*	-
Refused [VOL]	*	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	-	-

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CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR REFUSED IN CURX2, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling... [INSERT ITEM]?

Terrorism...	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	3/3-8/10	HIGH 5/5-9/11	LOW 9/3-8/09	1 Year Ago 10/13-18/10
Total approve	64	60	63	72	61	62	57	60	54	58	49	50	53	50	54	72	44	60
Strongly approve	30	30	31	40	25	24	22	25	23	23	24	22	25	22	26	40	18	25
Somewhat approve	30	28	30	31	33	36	32	32	28	32	25	27	27	28	28	31	26	32
Lean approve	3	2	2	1	3	2	3	3	3	2	*	*	*	*	-	1	1	3
Neither approve nor disapprove	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	11	8	8	9	1	14	1
Total disapprove	34	38	36	27	38	37	41	40	46	42	41	40	39	41	38	27	42	40
Lean disapprove	2	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	*	*	*	*	-	2	*	2
Somewhat disapprove	12	13	12	11	17	14	19	14	16	13	14	13	15	14	13	11	13	14
Strongly disapprove	19	22	21	14	20	22	20	24	29	27	27	26	24	27	25	14	28	24
Don't know [VOL]	1	1	*	*	*	1	*	*	-	-	*	-	-	-	*	*	*	*
Refused [VOL]	*	*	-	*	-	*	-	-	-	-	*	-	-	-	-	*	-	-

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CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR REFUSED IN CURX2, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling... [INSERT ITEM]?

The environment...	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	3/3-8/10	HIGH 5/5-9/11	LOW 6/9-14/10	1 Year Ago 10/13-18/10
Total approve	57	57	57	65	63	63	58	59	55	62	50	50	54	50	54	65	50	59
Strongly approve	17	19	17	22	19	20	19	20	20	17	17	21	20	18	21	22	21	20
Somewhat approve	35	35	37	40	38	36	34	34	32	41	33	29	33	32	33	40	29	34
Lean approve	5	4	4	3	6	7	5	5	4	4	*	*	*	*	*	3	*	5
Neither approve nor disapprove	2	2	2	1	2	2	3	2	2	1	15	13	15	14	17	1	13	2
Total disapprove	38	39	40	32	35	35	39	39	43	37	35	37	32	35	29	32	37	39
Lean disapprove	3	3	4	4	4	4	3	4	3	2	*	*	1	*	*	4	*	4
Somewhat disapprove	18	18	18	14	17	17	20	19	18	18	17	16	15	16	16	14	16	19
Strongly disapprove	17	18	18	15	15	14	16	17	21	16	19	21	16	20	14	15	21	17
Don't know [VOL]	3	2	1	2	-	*	1	1	1	*	-	*	-	*	-	2	*	1
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CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR REFUSED IN CURX2, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling... [INSERT ITEM]?

Federal budget deficit...	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	3/3-8/10	HIGH 4/16-20/09	LOW 9/3-8/09	1 Year Ago 10/13-18/10
Total approve	40	35	35	47	41	39	36	40	38	38	37	37	35	34	38	49	33	40
Strongly approve	15	12	10	16	13	12	12	12	14	10	10	12	13	13	14	23	11	12
Somewhat approve	23	22	24	27	25	24	23	25	21	25	27	24	22	20	24	26	21	25
Lean approve	3	1	2	3	3	3	2	3	2	4	*	1	*	*	1	*	1	3
Neither approve nor disapprove	1	1	1	1	*	1	1	1	1	1	6	10	9	8	10	8	12	1
Total disapprove	57	64	63	52	58	60	62	59	61	61	56	54	56	58	52	41	56	59
Lean disapprove	1	2	3	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	-	*	-	*	-	*	*	2
Somewhat disapprove	12	15	18	15	17	16	17	13	9	15	13	16	14	11	12	10	12	13
Strongly disapprove	44	47	43	36	39	42	42	44	51	45	43	38	41	47	40	31	43	44
Don't know [VOL]	1	*	1	1	-	-	1	*	*	*	*	*	-	*	*	2	-	*
Refused [VOL]	*	*	*	*	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	-	-	-

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CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR REFUSED IN CURX2, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling... [INSERT ITEM]?

Energy...	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	3/3-8/10	HIGH 4/16-20/09	LOW 8/11-16/10	1 Year Ago 10/13-18/10
Total approve	53	52	54	59	59	60	56	57	50	59	47	52	52	51	53	60	47	57
Strongly approve	17	17	16	23	18	18	19	20	19	19	13	20	20	18	21	28	13	20
Somewhat approve	34	33	35	34	37	36	32	33	28	36	34	32	32	33	31	32	34	33
Lean approve	2	3	3	3	5	5	5	4	3	4	*	*	*	*	1	*	*	4
Neither approve nor disapprove	2	1	2	1	1	1	4	2	1	1	10	12	11	13	17	16	10	2
Total disapprove	44	45	43	38	40	39	40	42	49	40	43	36	36	36	31	22	43	42
Lean disapprove	3	2	3	2	3	3	4	2	2	3	-	*	-	1	*	*	-	2
Somewhat disapprove	18	20	16	15	17	19	21	21	23	16	22	17	17	15	14	12	22	21
Strongly disapprove	23	23	24	22	21	17	16	19	25	21	21	19	19	21	16	10	21	19
Don't know [VOL]	1	2	2	1	*	1	1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	2	*	*
Refused [VOL]	*	1	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR REFUSED IN CURX2, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling... [INSERT ITEM]?

Taxes...	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	3/3-8/10	HIGH 4/16-20/09	LOW 9/3-8/09	1 Year Ago 10/13-18/10
Total approve	43	40	45	48	47	48	46	46	43	47	42	44	42	41	44	54	38	46
Strongly approve	18	14	12	19	15	17	15	17	17	16	15	18	19	15	17	27	13	17
Somewhat approve	23	24	31	26	30	28	29	28	25	29	26	26	23	26	27	27	24	28
Lean approve	3	1	2	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	2
Neither approve nor disapprove	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	10	9	9	13	11	13	1
Total disapprove	56	59	53	50	52	52	53	52	56	52	50	45	49	51	43	35	50	52
Lean disapprove	2	2	2	2	3	3	2	2	2	2	*	-	*	*	-	-	*	2
Somewhat disapprove	18	19	17	20	18	19	18	16	13	17	16	15	15	15	14	9	15	16
Strongly disapprove	35	38	34	28	31	30	33	34	42	33	34	30	34	36	29	26	34	34
Don't know [VOL]	*	1	1	1	*	*	*	*	*	-	-	*	*	*	*	1	*	*
Refused [VOL]	*	*	*	*	-	-	-	*	-	*	*	-	-	*	-	-	-	*

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CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR REFUSED IN CURX2, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling... [INSERT ITEM]?

Immigration...	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	3/3-8/10	HIGH 5/5-9/11	LOW 9/3-8/09	1 Year Ago 10/13-18/10
Total approve	43	43	43	52	50	47	43	46	43	40	39	36	38	34	39	52	34	46
Strongly approve	12	14	11	18	13	16	11	13	14	12	15	13	13	11	12	18	9	13
Somewhat approve	27	27	29	29	32	27	28	29	23	24	23	23	24	23	27	29	24	29
Lean approve	4	3	3	5	5	4	4	5	6	4	1	*	1	*	*	5	1	5
Neither approve nor disapprove	2	2	2	1	1	1	2	2	2	1	10	13	13	19	21	1	20	2
Total disapprove	52	53	54	46	49	51	55	52	55	59	51	51	50	46	39	46	46	52
Lean disapprove	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	1	2	*	*	*	*	*	3	1	2
Somewhat disapprove	17	19	15	19	17	16	17	15	13	16	12	14	16	16	16	19	14	15
Strongly disapprove	32	32	36	25	30	32	35	35	41	40	38	37	34	30	23	25	31	35
Don't know [VOL]	3	2	1	1	*	*	1	*	*	*	*	*	*	1	*	1	*	*
Refused [VOL]	*	*	-	*	-	*	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	*	-

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CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR REFUSED IN CURX2, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling... [INSERT ITEM]?

The situation in Afghanistan...	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	3/3-8/10	HIGH 5/5-9/11	LOW 11/5-9/09	1 Year Ago 10/13-18/10
Total approve	48	50	52	65	55	54	48	52	53	53	44	47	49	51	57	65	42	52
Strongly approve	17	14	18	26	15	17	14	15	16	17	15	13	19	18	22	26	14	15
Somewhat approve	27	33	33	36	35	34	31	34	33	33	29	33	30	33	34	36	27	34
Lean approve	4	3	2	3	5	3	3	3	3	4	*	1	*	1	*	3	1	3
Neither approve nor disapprove	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13	11	12	11	11	1	10	1
Total disapprove	50	49	46	34	45	44	50	47	46	46	43	41	39	38	32	34	48	47
Lean disapprove	2	2	3	1	3	3	4	2	1	2	*	1	*	*	*	1	*	2
Somewhat disapprove	20	21	19	17	21	20	23	22	22	21	18	17	21	17	16	17	17	22
Strongly disapprove	28	26	25	15	20	22	24	22	23	23	26	24	18	21	16	15	30	22
Don't know [VOL]	1	1	1	1	*	*	*	*	*	-	*	*	*	-	-	1	*	*
Refused [VOL]	*	*	-	*	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	-	*	*	-

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CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR REFUSED IN CURX2, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling... [INSERT ITEM]?

Relationships with other countries...	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	3/3-8/10	HIGH 4/16-20/09	LOW 9/3-8/09	1 Year Ago 10/13-18/10
Total approve	59	59	59	69	62	61	58	60	55	59	55	57	58	55	59	69	53	60
Strongly approve	24	25	24	30	30	29	23	27	28	25	26	29	27	28	29	41	27	27
Somewhat approve	32	32	32	36	31	31	34	30	25	32	29	28	31	27	30	27	25	30
Lean approve	3	2	3	3	2	2	1	3	2	2	1	*	*	*	*	*	*	3
Neither approve nor disapprove	1	1	1	*	1	1	1	1	*	1	9	10	10	9	13	9	11	1
Total disapprove	39	38	39	30	37	38	41	39	44	39	36	33	32	36	28	22	37	39
Lean disapprove	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	3	*	*	*	-	*	*	*	3
Somewhat disapprove	16	15	13	13	17	15	18	16	15	14	15	11	12	12	12	10	16	16
Strongly disapprove	21	21	23	15	17	20	19	21	28	23	21	23	20	24	16	12	21	21
Don't know [VOL]	1	2	1	1	*	*	*	*	-	-	*	-	*	*	*	1	-	*
Refused [VOL]	*	-	*	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR REFUSED IN CURX2, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling... [INSERT ITEM]?

Unemployment...	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	3/3-8/10	HIGH 4/16-20/09	LOW 10/13-17/11	1 Year Ago 10/13-18/10
Total approve	40	40	40	52	49	47	43	45	41	42	43	42	43	43	46	59	40	45
Strongly approve	16	13	12	18	19	19	16	14	15	16	16	16	19	16	20	28	16	14
Somewhat approve	22	25	26	31	29	26	25	28	24	23	28	26	24	27	27	30	22	28
Lean approve	2	2	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	3	*	*	*	*	-	*	2	2
Neither approve nor disapprove	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	11	9	6	10	12	1	1
Total disapprove	59	59	59	47	50	52	56	54	58	58	51	47	48	50	44	29	59	54
Lean disapprove	2	1	2	2	2	2	3	2	2	2	*	*	*	*	-	*	2	2
Somewhat disapprove	15	15	18	17	17	18	19	16	13	21	15	15	15	15	13	12	15	16
Strongly disapprove	42	43	39	28	31	32	35	37	44	35	35	32	32	35	30	17	42	37
Don't know [VOL]	1	*	1	1	*	*	*	*	-	-	*	*	-	*	*	1	1	*
Refused [VOL]	*	-	-	*	-	-	-	*	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	*

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CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR REFUSED IN CURX2, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling... [INSERT ITEM]?

Gas prices...	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	3/3-8/10	HIGH 4/16-20/09	LOW 5/7-11/10	1 Year Ago 10/13-18/10
Total approve	39	36	34	35	36	37	43	49	46	51	39	40	33	33	39	51	33	49
Strongly approve	11	10	8	11	11	10	10	11	11	11	9	11	10	9	13	19	10	11
Somewhat approve	23	22	23	20	22	22	27	32	29	31	29	29	24	24	26	32	24	32
Lean approve	5	4	4	3	3	5	6	7	6	9	*	*	*	*	*	1	*	7
Neither approve nor disapprove	3	2	2	2	2	4	5	3	3	4	21	23	19	21	22	22	19	3
Total disapprove	56	61	63	61	63	59	52	49	51	45	40	37	47	46	39	25	47	49
Lean disapprove	4	2	2	4	4	4	4	5	5	4	*	*	*	1	-	*	*	5
Somewhat disapprove	18	21	18	16	18	21	22	21	20	21	20	18	18	18	17	12	18	21
Strongly disapprove	34	38	43	42	40	33	26	23	26	20	20	19	29	27	22	14	29	23
Don't know [VOL]	2	2	1	2	*	1	1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	1	*	*
Refused [VOL]	*	*	*	-	-	*	-	*	*	*	-	-	*	-	*	*	*	*

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CURX2. (Continued) And please tell me if you approve, disapprove or neither approve nor disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling each of the following issues. How about... [PROBE FOR APPROVE/DISAPPROVE: Strongly or somewhat?]

CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR REFUSED IN CURX2, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling... [INSERT ITEM]?

Education...	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10
Total approve	57	55	53	63	61	64	59	60	55	59	53	55	56
Strongly approve	24	20	20	28	25	29	25	25	22	25	24	24	25
Somewhat approve	31	32	31	33	32	32	31	32	29	30	28	31	32
Lean approve	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	4	4	4	*	*	*
Neither approve nor disapprove	1	2	2	2	1	2	3	2	2	2	12	16	13
Total disapprove	39	41	45	34	38	34	38	38	43	39	36	29	31
Lean disapprove	2	3	3	3	2	5	3	3	3	3	*	*	*
Somewhat disapprove	18	18	22	15	17	15	19	17	19	16	17	13	15
Strongly disapprove	19	19	19	15	19	14	16	18	22	20	19	15	16
Don't know [VOL]	2	2	1	2	*	1	*	*	*	*	*	*	-
Refused [VOL]	*	-	*	*	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Some FAV1 items previously released

FAV1. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable impression of [INSERT NAME]?
 [FOR EACH "FAVORABLE," ASK:] Is that very favorable or somewhat favorable?
 [FOR EACH "UNFAVORABLE," ASK:] Is that very unfavorable or somewhat unfavorable?
 [RANDOMIZE ITEMS]

Michelle Obama	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	3/3-8/10	1/12-17/10
Total favorable	67	70	71	71	69	72	67	70	65	68	69	73	70	70	71	74
Very favorable	36	39	38	42	37	41	35	35	37	39	38	40	39	38	40	41
Somewhat favorable	31	31	33	29	32	31	33	35	28	29	31	33	31	32	31	33
Total unfavorable	26	24	23	24	26	23	27	25	31	27	27	22	23	24	23	21
Somewhat unfavorable	12	11	13	14	13	14	15	14	15	13	14	14	14	13	15	13
Very unfavorable	14	13	10	10	13	9	12	11	16	14	13	8	9	11	8	8
Don't know [VOL]	7	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	5	4	5	6	6	6	4
Refused [VOL]	*	1	1	1	1	*	1	1	1	*	*	1	1	1	1	1

Based on: N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,000 N=1,501 N=846 N=1,000 N=1,007 N=1,044 N=1,002 N=1,001 N=1,002 N=1,008

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He understands the problems of ordinary Americans...	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	1/12-17/10	7/16-20/09	4/16-20/09	2/12-17/09	1/09-14/09
Total Very/Somewhat well	57	53	57	63	60	61	54	58	67	67	74	78	81
Very well	33	31	32	40	34	34	34	37	41	42	49	51	52
Somewhat well	24	22	25	23	26	27	19	21	27	25	25	27	29
Total Slightly/Not at all well	43	47	43	37	40	38	47	42	32	32	26	21	18
Slightly well	10	11	12	11	11	10	10	11	8	6	10	9	7
Not at all well	33	36	31	26	29	28	36	32	24	26	16	12	11
Don't know	*	*	*	-	*	1	-	*	*	1	*	1	1
Refused	*	-	-	*	-	*	-	-	*	*	*	-	*

Based on: N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,000 N=1,007 N=1,008 N=1,006 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001

He will keep America safe...	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	1/12-17/10	7/16-20/09	4/16-20/09	2/12-17/09	1/09-14/09
Total Very/Somewhat well	60	60	64	69	61	63	58	58	64	64	71	66	77
Very well	33	32	33	38	33	31	28	30	33	34	42	36	40
Somewhat well	27	28	31	32	28	32	30	28	31	30	29	30	37
Total Slightly/Not at all well	40	40	36	30	39	36	41	42	35	35	28	29	21
Slightly well	13	14	12	11	12	13	11	11	11	10	10	13	9
Not at all well	27	26	24	19	27	23	30	31	24	25	18	16	12
Don't know	*	1	1	1	*	1	1	*	1	1	1	6	2
Refused	*	*	-	*	-	*	*	*	*	1	*	-	*

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CURJX. (Continued) The following are phrases some people use to describe political leaders. For each phrase, please tell me if it describes BARACK OBAMA very well, somewhat well, slightly well, or not at all well. The first phrase is... [RANDOMIZE]

He cares about people like you...	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	1/12-17/10	7/16-20/09	4/16-20/09	2/12-17/09	1/09-14/09
Total Very/Somewhat well	59	55	58	63	59	63	58	57	65	65	71	76	79
Very well	38	35	33	38	36	37	38	36	41	41	50	52	53
Somewhat well	22	19	25	25	23	26	19	22	24	24	21	24	26
Total Slightly/Not at all well	40	45	41	37	41	36	42	42	35	35	28	22	19
Slightly well	10	12	10	12	12	9	9	10	9	7	8	9	7
Not at all well	31	33	31	25	28	27	33	32	25	27	19	13	12
Don't know	*	1	1	*	*	1	*	1	1	1	2	2	2
Refused	*	-	*	*	-	-	*	-	-	-	*	-	*

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He is a strong leader...	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	1/12-17/10	7/16-20/09	4/16-20/09	2/12-17/09	1/09-14/09
Total Very/Somewhat well	54	51	60	65	57	62	58	58	67	69	76	75	78
Very well	29	24	32	38	34	34	32	36	42	45	54	50	54
Somewhat well	25	27	28	27	23	28	26	22	25	23	21	25	24
Total Slightly/Not at all well	46	49	40	35	43	38	42	42	32	31	23	21	17
Slightly well	12	13	10	12	14	11	11	10	10	10	8	10	8
Not at all well	34	36	29	23	29	27	31	32	22	21	16	11	9
Don't know	*	*	*	*	*	*	-	*	*	1	1	5	4
Refused	*	-	-	*	-	*	-	-	-	-	*	-	*

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CURJX. (Continued) The following are phrases some people use to describe political leaders. For each phrase, please tell me if it describes BARACK OBAMA very well, somewhat well, slightly well, or not at all well. The first phrase is... [RANDOMIZE]

He is a likable person...	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	1/12-17/10
Total Very/Somewhat well	78	78	78	81	84	83	77	82	89
Very well	50	50	52	59	56	56	55	54	63
Somewhat well	28	27	26	22	28	27	22	28	26
Total Slightly/Not at all well	22	21	20	18	16	16	22	18	10
Slightly well	9	8	11	9	9	7	8	8	5
Not at all well	13	13	10	9	7	9	14	10	6
Don't know	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	*	1
Refused	-	-	-	*	-	*	-	-	*

Based on:

N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,000 N=1,007 N=1,008

ELE31 through ELE36 previously released

ECO1. Would you say that now is a good or bad time to invest in the stock market?

	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	3/3-8/10	1/12-17/10	12/10-14/09	11/5-9/09	10/1-5/09	9/3-8/09	HIGH 4/7-12/10	LOW 8/18-22/11	1 Year Ago 10/13-18/10
Good time to invest	31	30	33	42	43	46	46	45	50	37	36	38	40	48	45	47	41	42	42	41	48	30	45
Bad time	64	67	62	52	53	48	47	51	46	61	61	58	55	49	49	49	52	53	52	52	49	67	51
Don't know	5	3	5	6	4	6	6	5	5	3	4	4	5	3	6	4	7	6	5	6	3	3	5
Refused	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	-	-	*	*	*	*	-	*	1	*	1	*	*	*	*

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ECO2. And would you say that now is a good or bad time to invest in real estate?

	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	3/3-8/10	1/12-17/10	12/10-14/09	11/5-9/09	10/1-5/09	9/3-8/09	HIGH 5/28-6/1/09	LOW 6/16-20/11	1 Year Ago 10/13-18/10
Good time to invest	58	57	54	62	63	61	61	59	61	62	60	69	69	65	66	66	65	66	69	70	74	54	59
Bad time	39	40	44	36	36	37	36	39	37	37	38	30	29	34	32	32	32	31	29	28	25	44	39
Don't know	2	2	2	2	1	1	3	2	1	1	2	2	2	1	2	2	3	3	2	2	2	2	2
Refused	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	-	-	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

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- B1. Would you describe the nation's economy these days as good, poor, or neither good nor poor?
 [IF "GOOD," ASK:] Is that very good or somewhat good?
 [IF "POOR," ASK:] Is that very poor or somewhat poor?
 [IF "NEITHER," ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward good or poor?

	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	3/3-8/10	1/12-17/10	HIGH 12/10-4/09	LOW 8/18-22/11	1 Year Ago 10/13-18/10
Total good	12	11	16	21	22	20	15	19	22	15	16	24	20	21	17	22	24	11	19
Very good	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	*	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1
Somewhat good	3	4	5	8	9	7	4	7	8	4	4	9	8	6	6	6	10	4	7
Neither – lean good	9	5	10	13	13	13	9	11	13	11	11	14	11	14	10	14	13	5	11
Neither–Don't lean [VOL]	6	3	4	6	4	5	3	6	7	6	3	4	5	4	4	4	5	3	6
Total poor	81	86	80	73	73	75	83	75	71	79	81	72	75	76	78	75	71	86	75
Neither – lean poor	8	12	12	15	17	14	16	15	12	14	17	12	14	15	18	17	16	12	15
Somewhat poor	31	33	32	32	33	35	33	30	27	30	30	33	33	30	33	30	24	33	30
Very poor	43	42	36	27	23	26	35	30	32	35	34	27	28	31	28	28	31	42	30
Don't know [VOL]	*	*	-	*	*	*	*	*	*	-	*	*	*	-	*	*	1	*	*
Refused [VOL]	-	-	*	-	-	*	-	*	-	-	-	*	-	*	-	-	-	-	*

Based on: N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,000 N=1,501 N=846 N=1,000 N=1,007 N=1,044 N=1,002 N=1,001 N=1,002 N=1,008 N=1,001 N=1,000 N=1,501

Some questions held for later release

ECO41. In the past month, do you think the economy got better, got worse or stayed about the same?

	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	3/3-8/10	1/12-17/10	12/10-14/09	11/5-9/09	10/1-5/09	9/3-8/09
Got better	9	6	13	22	15	30	20	17	20	13	12	19	25	25	20	25	24	22	24	25
Got worse	23	49	27	22	27	18	16	19	20	22	22	16	18	18	16	16	21	24	17	21
Stayed about the same	68	45	60	56	58	52	64	63	59	65	66	65	56	57	63	59	55	53	59	54
Don't know [VOL]	1	*	1	*	*	*	1	1	1	*	*	1	1	*	1	1	*	1	*	*
Refused [VOL]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	*	-	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	-

Based on: N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,000 N=1,501 N=846 N=1,000 N=1,007 N=1,044 N=1,002 N=1,001 N=1,002 N=1,008 N=1,001 N=1,006 N=1,003 N=1,001

EOY5. Over the next year, do you think the country's economy will [RANDOMIZE: get better/get worse] or stay about the same?

	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	12/10-14/09	
	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Likely voters	Total	Total
Get better	30	33	33	43	36	48	45	48	49	42	46
Get worse	27	31	29	23	28	14	17	16	17	23	20
Stay about the same	41	36	37	33	36	36	37	34	32	34	32
Don't know [VOL]	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	2	2	1	1
Refused [VOL]	-	-	*	-	*	-	-	*	*	-	-

Based on: N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,000 N=1,501 N=846 N=1,000 N=975

CCON1. How do you expect the financial situation of your household will change over the next 12 months? Will it get better, get worse, or stay about the same?
 [IF "BETTER," ASK:] And would that be a lot or a little better?
 [IF "WORSE," ASK:] And would that be a lot or a little worse?

	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11
Total Better	34	31	32	34	32
A lot better	12	13	11	14	9
A little better	22	18	21	20	22
Stay about the same	54	56	57	54	55
Total Worse	12	12	11	11	13
A little worse	6	6	6	7	10
A lot worse	5	6	5	4	4
Don't know [VOL]	*	1	*	1	1
Refused [VOL]	*	*	-	-	*

Based on: N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001

CCON2. How do you expect the general economic situation in this country will change over the next 12 months? Will it get better, get worse, or stay about the same?

	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11
Get better	28	27	30	41	32
A lot better	5	6	5	7	5
A little better	23	22	25	33	27
Stay about the same	41	40	44	36	42
Get worse	30	32	26	23	26
A little worse	18	16	15	13	17
A lot worse	12	16	11	11	9
Don't know [VOL]	1	1	*	1	*
Refused [VOL]	*	*	-	-	*

Based on: N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001

CCON3. Compared with the past 12 months, how do you think consumer prices will change in the next 12 months? Will they increase more rapidly, increase at the same rate, increase at a slower rate, stay about the same, or will they fall?

	10/13- 17/11	8/18- 22/11	6/16- 20/11	5/5- 9/11	3/24- 28/11
Increase more rapidly	24	24	25	30	33
Increase at the same rate	26	28	28	28	25
Increase at a slower rate	23	22	21	20	18
Stay about the same	24	21	22	18	19
Will fall	3	4	3	4	4
Don't know [VOL]	1	1	1	1	*
Refused [VOL]	-	*	*	-	-

Based on:

N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001

CCON4. Thinking of the general economic situation, do you think that now is a good time, a bad time, or neither a good nor a bad time to make major purchases such as furniture and electronic devices?

	10/13- 17/11	8/18- 22/11	6/16- 20/11	5/5- 9/11	3/24- 28/11
A good time	27	28	29	34	31
Neither a good nor bad time	29	30	31	29	30
A bad time	42	41	39	36	38
Don't know [VOL]	2	1	1	1	1
Refused [VOL]	*	*	-	*	*

Based on:

N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001

CCON5. Thinking of the general economic situation, do you think that now is a good or bad time to save?
 [IF "GOOD," ASK:] And would that be a very good or fairly good time to save?
 [IF "BAD," ASK:] And would that be very bad or fairly bad time to save?

	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11
Total Good Time to Save	91	89	89	90	91
Very good time to save	56	57	54	50	51
Fairly good time to save	35	32	35	40	40
Total Bad Time to Save	9	10	9	9	8
Fairly bad time to save	5	5	5	6	6
Very bad time to save	4	5	4	3	2
Don't know [VOL]	*	1	1	1	1
Refused [VOL]	*	*	-	-	*

Based on:

N=1,000

N=1,000

N=1,001

N=1,001

N=1,001

CCON6. How do you expect the number of people who are unemployed in this country to change over the next 12 months? Will it increase, decrease, or remain the same?

[IF "INCREASE," ASK:] And would that be a sharp or slight increase?

[IF "DECREASE," ASK:] And would that be a sharp or slight decrease?

	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11
Total Increase	40	43	37	34	33
A sharp increase	11	15	11	9	9
A slight increase	29	28	26	26	24
Remain the same	36	33	40	35	37
Total Decrease	23	24	23	31	30
A slight decrease	19	19	20	27	25
A sharp decrease	4	5	3	3	5
Don't know [VOL]	1	1	1	1	1
Refused [VOL]	-	*	*	-	-

Based on:

N=1,000

N=1,000

N=1,001

N=1,001

N=1,001

CUR10. How confident are you that Barack Obama will be successful in bringing about the changes needed to improve the economy?

	10/13-17/11	11/06-10/08
Total confident	43	72
Very confident	14	31
Somewhat confident	29	41
Total not confident	56	27
Not too confident	20	15
Not at all confident	36	11
Don't know	1	2
Refused	*	*

Based on:

N=1,000

N=1,001

[RANDOMIZE CUR33 AND CUR33b]

CUR33. When it comes to solving the country's economic problems, how much do you think Barack Obama is doing to cooperate with the Republicans in Congress? Is he doing...

[RANDOMIZE RESPONSES]

	10/13-17/11	9/8-13/10	4/16-20/09	2/12-17/09
Too much	15	8	8	6
Not enough	47	55	36	30
About the right amount	36	36	53	62
Don't know [DO NOT READ]	1	1	2	2
Refused [DO NOT READ]	*	*	*	*

Based on:

N=1,000

N=1,000

N=1,000

N=1,001

CUR33b. When it comes to solving the country's economic problems, how much do you think Republicans in Congress are doing to cooperate with Barack Obama? Are they doing...

	10/13-17/11	9/8-13/10	4/16-20/09	2/12-17/09
[RANDOMIZE RESPONSES]				
Too much	5	7	7	5
Not enough	72	64	65	64
About the right amount	22	28	25	27
Don't know [DO NOT READ]	1	1	3	3
Refused [DO NOT READ]	*	*	*	1

Based on:

N=1,000

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N=976

JOB1. In general, how much, if anything, do you think the federal government can do to create jobs in the United States – A great deal, quite a bit, a moderate amount, only a little or nothing at all?

	10/13-17/11
A great deal/Quite a bit	41
A great deal	26
Quite a bit	16
A moderate amount	30
Only a little/Nothing at all	29
Only a little	19
Nothing at all	9
Don't know (VOL.)	1
Refused (VOL.)	-

Based on:

N=1,000

JOB3. People have suggested various ways that the government could act to try to create jobs. How much do you think each of the following would do to create jobs: a great deal, quite a bit, a moderate amount, only a little, or nothing at all?

Increasing government spending on roads, schools and other infrastructure projects	10/13-17/11
A great deal/Quite a bit	37
A great deal	23
Quite a bit	13
A moderate amount	30
Only a little/Nothing at all	33
Only a little	21
Nothing at all	12
Don't know (VOL.)	1
Refused (VOL.)	-

Based on:

N=1,000

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JOB3. (Continued) People have suggested various ways that the government could act to try to create jobs. How much do you think each of the following would do to create jobs: a great deal, quite a bit, a moderate amount, only a little, or nothing at all?

Reducing Social Security payroll taxes for individual workers	10/13-17/11
A great deal/Quite a bit	17
A great deal	12
Quite a bit	6
A moderate amount	28
Only a little/Nothing at all	53
Only a little	25
Nothing at all	29
Don't know (VOL.)	2
Refused (VOL.)	*

Based on:

N=1,000

Reducing Social Security payroll taxes for employers	10/13-17/11
A great deal/Quite a bit	17
A great deal	9
Quite a bit	8
A moderate amount	31
Only a little/Nothing at all	51
Only a little	27
Nothing at all	24
Don't know (VOL.)	1
Refused (VOL.)	*

Based on:

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JOB3. (Continued) People have suggested various ways that the government could act to try to create jobs. How much do you think each of the following would do to create jobs: a great deal, quite a bit, a moderate amount, only a little, or nothing at all?

Providing tax credits to companies that hire those who have been unemployed for six months or more	10/13-17/11
A great deal/Quite a bit	36
A great deal	24
Quite a bit	12
A moderate amount	30
Only a little/Nothing at all	33
Only a little	20
Nothing at all	13
Don't know (VOL.)	1
Refused (VOL.)	-

Based on:

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Reducing environmental and other regulations on businesses	10/13-17/11
A great deal/Quite a bit	27
A great deal	16
Quite a bit	11
A moderate amount	27
Only a little/Nothing at all	45
Only a little	22
Nothing at all	22
Don't know (VOL.)	2
Refused (VOL.)	*

Based on:

N=1,000

ASK HALF SAMPLE JOB4a, OTHER HALF JOB4b:

JOB4a. In order to pay for government efforts to promote job creation, would you favor, oppose or neither favor nor oppose limiting income tax deductions for individuals making more than \$200,000 and families earning over \$250,000 each year?

[INTERVIEWER:

FOR EACH "FAVOR," ASK: Is that strongly favor or somewhat favor?

FOR EACH "OPPOSE" ASK: Is that strongly oppose or somewhat oppose?]

	10/13-17/11
Total Favor	47
Strongly favor	28
Somewhat favor	18
Neither favor nor oppose	11
Total Oppose	39
Somewhat oppose	15
Strongly oppose	24
Don't know (VOL.)	3
Refused (VOL.)	-

Based on:

N=488

JOB4b. In order to pay for government efforts to promote job creation, would you favor, oppose or neither favor nor oppose a five-point-six percent tax surcharge on income over 1 million dollars?

[INTERVIEWER:

FOR EACH "FAVOR," ASK: Is that strongly favor or somewhat favor?

FOR EACH "OPPOSE" ASK: Is that strongly oppose or somewhat oppose?]

	10/13-17/11
Total Favor	62
Strongly favor	46
Somewhat favor	16
Neither favor nor oppose	10
Total Oppose	26
Somewhat oppose	11
Strongly oppose	16
Don't know (VOL.)	2
Refused (VOL.)	-

Based on:

N=512

Some questions held for later release

CUR25. Who do you trust to do a better job of... [INSERT ITEM], [ROTATE:] the Democrats or the Republicans?

Handling the economy	10-13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	3/3-8/10	1/12-17/10
	Democrats	38	45	43	49	47	45	44	41	41	45	47	44	44	47
Republicans	43	40	42	38	41	40	47	51	46	43	42	41	44	40	40
Neither [VOL]	15	13	12	11	9	12	8	7	11	10	9	13	10	11	9
Don't know [VOL]	3	2	2	3	3	3	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	3
Refused [VOL]	1	*	*	*	*	*	*	-	*	1	*	*	*	1	*

Based on: N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,501 N=846 N=1,000 N=1,007 N=1,044 N=1,002 N=1,001 N=1,002 N=1,108

Protecting the country	10-13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	3/3-8/10	1/12-17/10
	Democrats	38	40	41	42	40	39	39	36	37	39	42	37	40	41
Republicans	45	46	46	43	49	48	52	56	54	50	48	50	49	47	47
Neither [VOL]	15	11	9	10	7	9	7	6	6	9	7	11	8	9	7
Don't know [VOL]	3	2	4	5	3	3	3	2	3	2	2	2	3	3	4
Refused [VOL]	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	1	*	*	1	1

Based on: N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,501 N=846 N=1,000 N=1,007 N=1,044 N=1,002 N=1,001 N=1,002 N=1,108

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CUR25. (Continued) Who do you trust to do a better job of... [INSERT ITEM], [ROTATE:] the Democrats or the Republicans?

Managing the federal budget deficit	10-13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10
Democrats	38	43	40	42	42	41	40	39	40
Republicans	43	40	43	40	43	41	48	52	47
Neither [VOL]	16	15	14	15	12	15	11	9	12
Don't know [VOL]	3	2	2	3	4	3	2	1	2
Refused [VOL]	1	*	*	*	-	*	*	-	-

Based on: N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,501 N=1,501 N=846 N=1,000

Creating jobs	10-13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10
Democrats	44	44	47	52	49	44	44	40	42
Republicans	40	42	42	36	39	40	45	52	45
Neither [VOL]	13	12	10	10	10	13	9	8	10
Don't know [VOL]	3	2	2	3	2	3	1	1	3
Refused [VOL]	*	*	-	*	*	*	*	*	*

Based on: N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,501 N=1,501 N=846 N=1,000

BLAM1. Please tell me how much blame each of the following deserves for the country's current economic problems. First/next, does [ITEM] deserve almost all, a lot but not all, a moderate amount, only a little or none of the blame for the country's current economic problems?

Barack Obama	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11
Almost all/A lot but not all	27	31
Almost all	12	10
A lot but not all	15	21
A moderate amount	30	30
Only a little/None	43	39
Only a little	27	25
None	15	14
Don't know (VOL.)	1	*
Refused (VOL.)	*	-

Based on:

N=1,000

N=1,000

George W. Bush	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11
Almost all/A lot but not all	44	51
Almost all	24	25
A lot but not all	20	26
A moderate amount	32	27
Only a little/None	23	22
Only a little	18	16
None	5	6
Don't know (VOL.)	1	1
Refused (VOL.)	*	*

Based on:

N=1,000

N=1,000

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BLAM1. Please tell me how much blame each of the following deserves for the country's current economic problems. First/next, does [ITEM] deserve almost all, a lot but not all, a moderate amount, only a little or none of the blame for the country's current economic problems?

The Republicans in Congress	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11
Almost all/A lot but not all	35	44
Almost all	14	19
A lot but not all	21	24
A moderate amount	44	39
Only a little/None	20	17
Only a little	17	14
None	3	3
Don't know (VOL.)	1	1
Refused (VOL.)	*	*

Based on:

N=1,000

N=1,000

The Democrats in Congress	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11
Almost all/A lot but not all	30	36
Almost all	9	13
A lot but not all	20	23
A moderate amount	41	42
Only a little/None	28	22
Only a little	21	16
None	7	6
Don't know (VOL.)	1	1
Refused (VOL.)	*	*

Based on:

N=1,000

N=1,000

BUD3Z. In order to balance the federal budget, which should be the main focus of lawmakers?

	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	3/24-28/11
Increasing taxes	34	34	29
Cutting government services	55	53	62
Both equally [VOL]	4	6	4
Neither [VOL]	4	6	3
Don't know [VOL]	4	2	1
Refused [VOL]	*	*	*

Based on:

N=1,000

N=1,000

N=1,001

S1. Are you currently registered to vote at your address, or not?

	10/13-17/11
Yes	85
No	14
VOL: Not necessary in my state	*
Don't know [VOL]	1
Refused [VOL]	-
Based on:	N=1,000

Some questions held for later release

TP4. Do you consider yourself a supporter of the Tea Party movement, or are you not a supporter of the Tea Party movement?

	10-13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10
Supporter	28	25	33	30	30	31	30	30	36	28	28	27	27	31
Strongly	10	9	10	8	11	11	8	9	13	10	8	13	9	n/a
Moderately	18	16	24	23	19	21	22	21	24	18	20	14	18	n/a
Not a supporter	68	70	61	63	65	61	66	67	60	68	69	65	68	60
Don't know [VOL]	4	5	5	7	6	7	4	4	3	4	3	7	5	9
Refused [VOL]	*	*	1	*	*	*	-	*	1	1	*	1	*	1

Based on:

N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,000 N=1,501 N=846 N=1,000 N=1,007 N=1,044 N=1,002 N=962

PID1. Do you consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, an independent, or none of these?

	10-13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	3/3-8/10	1/12-17/10	12/10-14/09	11/5-9/09	10/1-5/09	9/3-8/09	7/16-20/09	5/28-6/1/09
Democrat	31	29	31	35	29	29	31	32	33	32	31	34	35	32	32	32	28	35	33	31	35	36
Independent	32	30	27	27	34	31	26	28	27	31	30	28	25	27	27	29	27	24	26	30	25	25
Republican	23	21	25	18	19	25	28	26	32	25	25	24	26	26	26	21	21	22	21	21	23	23
None of these	13	20	16	20	17	15	16	14	7	12	13	15	14	15	15	17	23	18	19	18	17	16
Refused	1	*	1	-	-	*	-	-	-	1	*	*	-	-	-	*	-	1	1	1	1	1

Based on: N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,000 N=1,501 N=846 N=1,000 N=1,007 N=1,044 N=1,002 N=1,001 N=1,002 N=1,008 N=1,001 N=1,006 N=1,003 N=1,001 N=1,006 N=1,000

PID1/
PID2.

Do you consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, an Independent, or none of these?
 [IF "DEMOCRAT," ASK:] Do you consider yourself a strong or moderate Democrat?
 [IF "REPUBLICAN," ASK:] Do you consider yourself a strong or moderate Republican?
 [IF "INDEPENDENT" OR "NONE," ASK:] Do you lean more toward the Democrats or the Republicans?

	10-13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	3/3-8/10	1/12-17/10	12/10-14/09	11/5-9/09	10/1-5/09	9/3-8/09	7/16-20/09	5/28-6/1/09
Total Democrat	44	43	43	46	45	42	39	43	42	44	43	46	45	41	45	44	37	43	43	39	44	46
Democrat – strong	16	13	12	14	14	12	14	16	20	16	14	15	15	14	15	14	12	18	17	14	14	20
Democrat – moderate	15	16	19	21	15	16	17	16	13	15	18	19	20	18	18	18	16	17	16	16	20	15
Independent – lean Democratic	13	14	11	12	16	14	9	11	9	13	12	12	10	9	12	12	9	8	10	9	9	11
None – lean Democratic	-	-	*	-	*	-	*	*	*	1	*	-	*	-	*	-	*	*	*	-	*	*
Total Republican	36	32	37	29	33	36	38	40	48	40	39	35	39	40	34	33	32	31	32	33	33	32
Republican – strong	10	9	11	6	9	9	13	12	18	12	11	9	10	14	11	9	9	11	10	9	11	11
Republican – moderate	13	12	14	12	11	16	15	13	14	13	14	15	16	12	12	12	13	10	11	11	12	12
Independent – lean Republican	14	11	13	11	14	11	11	14	15	15	14	11	13	14	12	12	11	10	11	13	10	9
None – lean Republican	-	-	-	*	*	-	-	*	1	-	-	*	*	-	*	-	-	*	*	-	*	*
[VOL] Independent – don't lean	5	5	3	4	4	6	6	3	2	3	5	4	2	4	5	5	7	6	5	8	5	5
[VOL] None – don't lean	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
[VOL] Other	*	*	*	*	1	*	*	*	*	-	*	*	*	*	1	1	*	*	*	*	1	*
Don't know	14	20	17	20	17	16	16	15	7	13	14	15	14	15	15	18	24	19	21	19	18	17
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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G11a. Generally speaking, do you consider yourself a liberal, moderate, or conservative?
 [IF "Liberal," ASK: Would you say you are strongly or somewhat liberal?]
 [IF "Conservative," ASK: Would you say you are strongly or somewhat conservative?]

	10-13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7/10-12/10	TOTAL 10/16-20/08	LIKELY VOTERS 10/16-20/08
Liberal - strongly	8	9	9	9	8	8	8	9	10	10	10	11	8	6	9	11
Liberal - somewhat	12	13	14	14	15	14	11	14	11	12	15	11	15	14	14	14
Conservative - strongly	18	20	21	16	18	20	22	22	29	20	20	21	21	21	18	20
Conservative - somewhat	21	23	22	22	23	19	24	22	18	25	21	23	23	23	21	18
Moderate	39	32	33	36	32	36	33	31	31	31	33	32	31	32	35	35
Don't know	3	3	2	3	3	2	1	2	1	3	2	1	3	3	2	2
Refused	*	*	1	1	*	2	1	1	*	1	*	1	1	1	1	*

Based on: N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,000 N=1,501 N=846 N=1,000 N=1,007 N=1,044 N=1,002 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=800

EM1. Are you, yourself, currently employed...

	10-13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	3/3-8/10	1/12-17/10	12/10-14/09	11/5-/09	10/1-5/09	9/3-8/09	
Full-time	49	50	44	49	45	44	47	46	46	46	47	48	49	45	43	44	46	44	44	
Part-time	12	13	14	13	15	17	12	13	13	16	11	13	11	14	13	15	11	10	12	
Not employed	39	37	42	37	39	38	40	41	40	38	42	39	39	41	44	41	42	45	42	
Don't know	*	*	*	*	*	-	*	*	*	*	*	*	-	*	-	*	*	*	*	-
Refused	*	*	*	*	*	1	1	*	*	*	*	-	*	*	*	1	1	1	1	

Based on: N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,000 N=1,501 N=1,000 N=1,007 N=1,044 N=1,002 N=1,001 N=1,002 N=1,008 N=1,001 N=1,006 N=1,003 N=1,001

EM2. [IF "NOT EMPLOYED" IN EM1, ASK:] Are you...

	10-13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	3/3-8/10	1/12-17/10	12/10-14/09	11/5-/09	10/1-5/09	9/3-8/09
Retired	50	51	46	51	40	48	48	46	47	44	47	42	50	49	48	47	49	52	52
Homemaker	19	14	17	16	17	16	21	18	16	21	15	16	18	19	15	13	16	18	15
Student	8	13	10	12	16	14	11	12	11	14	12	11	9	9	8	7	9	10	8
Temporarily unemployed	20	18	24	19	27	19	17	22	21	20	25	27	21	23	27	32	24	18	22
Don't know	3	4	2	1	1	2	2	2	4	1	2	4	2	*	1	1	1	2	2
Refused	1	*	1	*	1	*	1	*	*	1	*	-	1	-	1	*	1	*	*

Based on: N=441 N=431 N=450 N=448 N=413 N=411 N=421 N=655 N=414 N=400 N=472 N=416 N=415 N=420 N=420 N=423 N=404 N=451 N=438

CUR38. Thinking of the last 6 months – that is, since April of 2011 – have you or has someone in your family lost a job as a result of economic conditions, or not?

	10-13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	12/10-14/09	9/3-8/09	7/16-20/09	High 2/12-17/09	Low 9/3-8/09	1 Year Ago 10/13-18/10
Yes (self lost job)	8	5	6	7	6	8	6	7	6	6	7	8	6	9	5	8	10	5	7
Yes (someone in family)	18	25	18	23	22	27	18	16	25	25	29	21	23	22	26	21	25	26	16
No	72	69	74	67	70	62	72	76	68	67	61	69	69	66	65	65	65	65	76
Both (self and family member) [VOL]	2	1	2	3	1	4	3	1	1	2	4	1	3	3	2	4	1	2	1
Don't know	*	-	*	-	*	*	-	*	*	*	*	*	-	*	*	1	*	*	*
Refused	*	-	*	*	-	*	*	*	*	*	-	-	*	*	1	1	-	1	*

Based on: N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,000 N=1,501 N=1,000 N=1,007 N=1,044 N=1,002 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,006 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,501

CUR39. And thinking of the last 6 months – that is, since April of 2011 – has someone you know personally, other than a family member, lost a job as a result of economic conditions, or not?

	10-13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	12/10-14/09	10/1-5/09	High 1/12-17/10	Low 6/16-20/11	1 Year Ago 10/13-18/10
Yes	59	60	57	62	60	65	55	54	65	65	70	63	64	69	65	71	57	54
No	41	40	43	38	40	35	44	46	35	35	29	36	36	30	34	29	43	46
Don't know	*	*	*	*	*	*	1	*	1	*	1	*	*	*	1	1	*	*
Refused	*	*	-	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	-	-	*	*	*	-	-	*

Based on: N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,000 N=1,501 N=1,000 N=1,007 N=1,044 N=1,002 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,003 N=1,008 N=1,001 N=1,501

[INTERVIEWER READ:] The following questions are for classification purposes only. Be assured that your responses will be aggregated with those of other participants to this survey.

DM1. What is your marital status? Are you... [READ EACH ITEM]

Married/Living as Married/Co-habiting	61
Separated	3
Divorced	9
Widowed	7
Never Married	19
Don't know [VOL]	1
Refused [VOL]	1

Based on:

N=1,000

DM2. What is the last grade of school you completed? [READ EACH ITEM]

Less than high school graduate	7
High school graduate	34
Technical/trade school	4
Some college	25
College graduate	16
Some graduate school	3
Graduate degree	10
Don't know [VOL]	*
Refused [VOL]	1

Based on:

N=1,000

DM4. In what year were you born?

Age group:

18-29	19
30-49	37
50-64	25
65+	18
Refused [VOL]	1

Based on:

N=1,000

DM5. Which one of the following best describes where you live? [READ EACH ITEM]

Urban area	24
Suburban area	41
Rural area	33
Don't know [VOL]	2
Refused [VOL]	1

Based on:

N=1,000

DM6. Do you currently own your home, rent it, or do you have some other arrangement?

Own	65
Rent	26
Other arrangement	9
Don't know [VOL]	*
Refused [VOL]	1

Based on:

N=1,000

DM7. Are you the parent or guardian of one or more children under the age of 18, or not?

Yes	39
No	61
Don't know [VOL]	-
Refused [VOL]	1

Based on:

N=1,000

DM8. How many different landline telephone numbers, if any, are there in your home that I could have reached you on for this call? This includes listed or unlisted numbers. To answer this question, please don't count cell phones or landlines used ONLY for faxes or modems.

None	26
One Line	69
Two lines	3
Three or more lines	1
Don't know [VOL]	1
Refused [VOL]	1

Based on:

N=1,000

DM9. And on how many different cell-phone numbers, if any, could I have reached you for this call?

None	10
One	70
Two	15
Three or more	4
Don't know [VOL]	*
Refused [VOL]	1

Based on:

N=1,000

DM10. [IF BOTH LAND AND CELLPHONE, ASK:] Generally speaking, would you say you use your landline phone most of the time, your cell phone most of the time, or would you say you use both about equally?

Landline	26
Cell phone	37
Both equally	37
Don't know [VOL]	*
Refused [VOL]	*

Based on:

N=647

DM10a. [ASK CELL-PHONE SAMPLE ONLY] How many adults, in addition to you, carry and use this cell phone at least once a week or more?

None	44
One	36
Two	11
Three or more	8
Don't know [VOL]	-
Refused [VOL]	2

Based on:

N=300

DM12. Do you consider yourself a born-again or evangelical Christian, or not?

Yes, born-again/evangelical	41
No	58
Don't know [VOL]	1
Refused [VOL]	1

Based on:

N=1,000

DM13. What is your religious preference? Is it Protestant, Catholic, Mormon, Jewish, Muslim, some other religion, or don't you belong to any religious denomination?

Protestant	30
Catholic	19
Mormon	3
Jewish	1
Muslim	1
Other religion	21
Don't belong to religious denomination	24
Don't know [VOL]	1
Refused [VOL]	2

Based on:

N=1,000

DM14. [IF "OTHER RELIGION" IN DM13, ASK:] Do you consider yourself a Christian, or not?

Yes, a Christian	78
No, not a Christian	21
Don't know [VOL]	-
Refused [VOL]	1

Based on:

N=179

DM15. Aside from weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services? Would you say more than once a week, once a week, once or twice a month, a few times a year, less often than a few times a year, or never?

Never	16
Less often than a few times a year	11
A few times a year	24
Once or twice a month	12
Once a week	24
More than once a week	11
Don't know [VOL]	*
Refused [VOL]	2

Based on:

N=1,000

DM16. Are you of Hispanic, Latino or Spanish origin?

Yes	12
No	86
Don't know [VOL]	*
Refused [VOL]	1

Based on:

N=1,000

DM17. [IF SPANISH/HISPANIC/LATINO (D16=1), ASK:] In addition to being Hispanic, Latino or Spanish, what race or races do you consider yourself to be? [DO NOT READ. ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES.]

DM18. [IF NOT SPANISH/HISPANIC/LATINO (D16=2), ASK:] What race or races do you consider yourself to be? [DO NOT READ. ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES.]

White, Caucasian	74
Black, African-American, Negro	11
American Indian or Alaska Native	1
Asian Indian	1
Native Hawaiian	-
Chinese	*
Guamanian or Chamorro	-
Filipino	*
Samoan	-
Japanese	-
Korean	*
Vietnamese	-
Other Asian	*
Other Pacific Islander	-
Some other race	7
Other (specify)	-
Don't know	1
Refused	2
Multiple races	2

Based on:

N=1,000

DM19. Does your total household [IF SINGLE: "PERSONAL"] income fall below \$50,000 dollars, or is it \$50,000 or higher? [READ LIST]

Below \$50,000	51
\$50,000+	45
Don't know [VOL]	1
Refused [VOL]	3

Based on:

N=1,000

DM20. And in which group does your total household [IF SINGLE: "PERSONAL"] income fall? [READ LIST]

Under \$10,000	8
\$10,000 to under \$20,000	10
\$20,000 to under \$30,000	11
\$30,000 to under \$40,000	10
\$40,000 to under \$50,000	9
\$50,000 to under \$75,000	16
\$75,000 to under \$100,000	14
\$100,000 to under \$150,000	9
\$150,000 or more	6
Don't know [VOL]	2
Refused [VOL]	4

Based on:

N=1,000

DM21. Do you currently own stocks, bonds, or mutual funds?

Yes	43
No	54
Don't know [VOL]	1
Refused [VOL]	2

Based on:

N=1,000

[ASK DM22 ONLY IF "YES" IN DM21:]

DM22. In the past 12 months, how many times did you make changes in your investments—buying or selling stocks or mutual funds either within or outside an employer-sponsored 401K plan? Would you say...

None	58
1	11
2	11
3	3
4	2
5-9 times	4
10-14 times	3
15-19 times	1
20-24 times	1
25 times or more	2
Don't know [VOL]	4
Refused [VOL]	1

Based on:

N=503

DM25. [INTERVIEWER RECORD:] Respondent's Gender:

Male	50
Female	50

Based on:

N=1,000

CENSUS REGION:

Northeast	18
Midwest	22
South	36
West	23

Based on:

N=1,000

AP-GfK Poll Methodology

The **Associated Press-GfK Poll** was conducted October 13 - 17, 2011, by GfK Roper Public Affairs & Corporate Communications – a division of GfK Custom Research North America. This telephone poll is based on a nationally-representative probability sample of 1,000 general population adults age 18 or older.

Interviews were conducted with 700 respondents on landlines and 300 respondents on cellular telephones. Both the landline and cell phone samples were provided by Survey Sampling International. The sample included the contiguous 48 states, Alaska, and Hawaii. Interviews were conducted in both English and Spanish, depending on respondent preference.

The combined landline and cell phone data were weighted to account for probabilities of selection, as well as age, sex, education and race, using targets from the March 2009 supplement of the Current Population Survey. In addition to these factors, the weighting takes into account the patterns of land and cell phone usage by region from the 2009 Fall estimates provided by Mediamark Research Inc.

The margin of sampling error is plus or minus 4.0 percentage points at the 95% confidence level, for results based on the entire sample of adults. The margin of sampling error is higher and varies for results based on sub-samples. In our reporting of the findings, percentage points are rounded off to the nearest whole number. As a result, percentages in a given table column may total slightly higher or lower than 100%. In questions that permit multiple responses, columns may total significantly more than 100%, depending on the number of different responses offered by each respondent.

Trend data are displayed for selected questions from previous AP-GfK Polls that also consisted of telephone interviews with nationally-representative probability samples of adults age 18 or older. Details about all AP-GfK Polls are available at <http://www.ap-gfkipoll.com>.