

**NBC News/WSJ/Marist Poll
Colorado September 20, 2012 Presidential Election
Questionnaire**

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<Marist Poll Introduction> Are you 18 years of age or older?

Do you consider your permanent home address to be in Colorado?

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GENDER GUESS

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Have I reached you on your cell phone or on your regular home phone?

LIKELY VOTERS		September 2012	
Cell		24	
Regular home phone		76	
Total		100	
REGISTERED VOTERS		September 2012	
Cell		26	
Regular home phone		74	
Total		100	
RESIDENTS		September 2012	May 2012
Cell		29	30
Regular home phone		71	70
Total		100	100

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Are you registered to vote at your current address in Colorado?

RESIDENTS		September 2012	May 2012
Yes		91	82
No		8	17
Not a U.S. Citizen		0	0
Unsure		0	1
Total		100	100
Registered voters		September 2012	May 2012
		91	82

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If November's presidential election were held today, whom would you support if the candidates are:

LIKELY VOTERS - Including leaners*	September 2012	
Barack Obama and Joe Biden, the Democrats	50	
Mitt Romney and Paul Ryan, the Republicans	45	
Other	1	
Undecided	4	
Total	100	
REGISTERED VOTERS - Including leaners*	September 2012	May 2012 (asked without the VP's)
Barack Obama and Joe Biden, the Democrats	50	46
Mitt Romney and Paul Ryan, the Republicans	44	45
Other	2	1
Undecided	4	8
Total	100	100

* Leaners are defined as voters who are undecided yet leaning toward a candidate

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Would you say you strongly support <candidates> somewhat support <candidates>, or do you think you might vote differently on Election Day?

LIKELY VOTERS	September 2012	
Strongly support	84	
Somewhat support	14	
Might vote differently	1	
Unsure	1	
Total	100	
REGISTERED VOTERS	September 2012	May 2012
Strongly support	82	71
Somewhat support	15	23
Might vote differently	2	6
Unsure	1	0
Total	100	100

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Thinking about November's presidential election, do you plan to vote early or by absentee, vote on Election Day, or have you not decided?

LIKELY VOTERS		September 2012	
Vote early or by absentee		57	
Vote on Election Day		21	
Have not decided		22	
Total		100	
REGISTERED VOTERS		September 2012	May 2012
Vote early or by absentee		55	50
Vote on Election Day		21	20
Have not decided		24	30
Total		100	100

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Have you ever voted before in a presidential election?

LIKELY VOTERS		September 2012	
Yes		95	
No		5	
Total		100	
REGISTERED VOTERS		September 2012	May 2012
Yes		92	92
No		8	8
Total		100	100

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Do you approve or disapprove of the job Barack Obama is doing as president?

LIKELY VOTERS		September 2012	
Approve		47	
Disapprove		48	
Unsure		5	
Total		100	
REGISTERED VOTERS		September 2012	May 2012
Approve		47	45
Disapprove		47	49
Unsure		6	6
Total		100	100

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All in all, do you think things in the nation are generally headed in the right direction, or do you feel things are off on the wrong track?

LIKELY VOTERS		September 2012	
Headed in the right direction		42	
Off on the wrong track		53	
Unsure		5	
Total		100	
REGISTERED VOTERS		September 2012	May 2012
Headed in the right direction		41	38
Off on the wrong track		53	56
Unsure		6	6
Total		100	100
RESIDENTS		September 2012	May 2012
Headed in the right direction		40	38
Off on the wrong track		53	56
Unsure		7	6
Total		100	100

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In which year were you born (recoded into age of respondent)?

LIKELY VOTERS		September 2012	
18 to 29		11	
30 to 44		28	
45 to 59		30	
60 or older		31	
Total		100	
REGISTERED VOTERS		September 2012	May 2012
18 to 29		14	13
30 to 44		28	27
45 to 59		29	30
60 or older		29	31
Total		100	100
RESIDENTS		September 2012	May 2012
18 to 29		16	18
30 to 44		28	27
45 to 59		28	28
60 or older		28	27
Total		100	100

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**Are you white, black or African-American, Latino or Hispanic, Asian, or Native American?
 (If not Latino: Are you Hispanic or Latino background, such as Mexican, Dominican,
 Puerto Rican, Cuban, or some other Spanish background?)**

LIKELY VOTERS		September 2012	
White		78	
African American or Black		3	
Latino or Hispanic		14	
Other		4	
Total		100	
REGISTERED VOTERS		September 2012	May 2012
White		77	79
African American or Black		3	3
Latino or Hispanic		16	16
Other		4	3
Total		100	100
RESIDENTS		September 2012	May 2012
White		75	76
African American or Black		3	3
Latino or Hispanic		18	18
Other		4	3
Total		100	100

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Which of the following includes your combined family income before taxes:

LIKELY VOTERS	September 2012	
Less than \$15,000 a year	10	
\$15,000 to just under \$25,000	9	
\$25,000 to just under \$50,000	23	
\$50,000 to just under \$75,000	19	
\$75,000 to just under \$100,000	15	
\$100,000 or more	24	
Total	100	

REGISTERED VOTERS	September 2012	May 2012
Less than \$15,000 a year	10	8
\$15,000 to just under \$25,000	10	12
\$25,000 to just under \$50,000	24	22
\$50,000 to just under \$75,000	19	20
\$75,000 to just under \$100,000	14	13
\$100,000 or more	23	25
Total	100	100

RESIDENTS	September 2012	May 2012
Less than \$15,000 a year	11	12
\$15,000 to just under \$25,000	11	13
\$25,000 to just under \$50,000	24	21
\$50,000 to just under \$75,000	19	19
\$75,000 to just under \$100,000	13	13
\$100,000 or more	22	22
Total	100	100

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Which county in Colorado do you live in (recoded into region of the state)?

LIKELY VOTERS		September 2012	
Denver/Boulder		18	
Denver Suburbs		31	
Front Range		35	
Rest of State		15	
Total		100	
REGISTERED VOTERS		September 2012	May 2012
Denver/Boulder		20	19
Denver Suburbs		30	31
Front Range		33	34
Rest of State		17	16
Total		100	100
RESIDENTS		September 2012	May 2012
Denver/Boulder		19	19
Denver Suburbs		30	30
Front Range		34	34
Rest of State		17	17
Total		100	100

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Do you consider yourself a: (party identification)

LIKELY VOTERS		September 2012	
Democrat		34	
Republican		32	
Independent		32	
Other		2	
Total		100	
REGISTERED VOTERS		September 2012	May 2012
Democrat		34	31
Republican		31	35
Independent		34	34
Other		1	0
Total		100	100

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Do you consider yourself a: (party identification)

LIKELY VOTERS	September 2012
Strong Democrat	26
Not strong Democrat	8
Democrat leaning Independent	14
Just Independent	9
Republican leaning Independent	9
Not strong Republican	8
Strong Republican	25
Other	2
Total	100

REGISTERED VOTERS	September 2012
Strong Democrat	25
Not strong Democrat	9
Democrat leaning Independent	15
Just Independent	10
Republican leaning Independent	9
Not strong Republican	8
Strong Republican	23
Other	1
Total	100

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Do you consider yourself to be a supporter of the Tea Party Movement?

LIKELY VOTERS	September 2012
Tea Party Supporters	29
No	62
Unsure	9
Total	100

REGISTERED VOTERS	September 2012	May 2012
Tea Party Supporters	28	26
No	62	67
Unsure	10	7
Total	100	100

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Overall, do you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of Barack Obama?

LIKELY VOTERS		September 2012	
Favorable		51	
Unfavorable		45	
Unsure/Never heard		4	
Total		100	
REGISTERED VOTERS		September 2012	May 2012
Favorable		51	47
Unfavorable		44	47
Unsure/Never heard		5	6
Total		100	100

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Overall, do you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of Mitt Romney?

LIKELY VOTERS		September 2012	
Favorable		43	
Unfavorable		50	
Unsure/Never heard		6	
Total		100	
REGISTERED VOTERS		September 2012	May 2012
Favorable		42	43
Unfavorable		52	43
Unsure/Never heard		7	14
Total		100	100

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Overall, do you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of Joe Biden?

LIKELY VOTERS		September 2012	
Favorable		43	
Unfavorable		46	
Unsure/Never heard		11	
Total		100	
REGISTERED VOTERS		September 2012	
Favorable		42	
Unfavorable		45	
Unsure/Never heard		13	
Total		100	

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Overall, do you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of Paul Ryan?

LIKELY VOTERS	September 2012
Favorable	43
Unfavorable	44
Unsure/Never heard	14
Total	100

REGISTERED VOTERS	September 2012
Favorable	40
Unfavorable	44
Unsure/Never heard	16
Total	100

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Thinking about November's presidential election, overall, would you say you are very enthusiastic, somewhat enthusiastic, not too enthusiastic, or not enthusiastic at all about voting?

LIKELY VOTERS	September 2012
Very enthusiastic	59
Somewhat enthusiastic	26
Not too enthusiastic	11
Not enthusiastic at all	4
Total	100

REGISTERED VOTERS	September 2012	May 2012
Very enthusiastic	54	44
Somewhat enthusiastic	28	37
Not too enthusiastic	12	14
Not enthusiastic at all	6	5
Total	100	100

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Which candidate will do a better job handling the economy:

LIKELY VOTERS	September 2012	
Barack Obama	48	
Mitt Romney	46	
Unsure	6	
Total	100	
REGISTERED VOTERS	September 2012	May 2012
Barack Obama	48	42
Mitt Romney	45	45
Unsure	7	13
Total	100	100

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Which candidate will do a better job handling foreign policy:

LIKELY VOTERS	September 2012	
Barack Obama	51	
Mitt Romney	41	
Undecided	8	
Total	100	
REGISTERED VOTERS	September 2012	May 2012
Barack Obama	51	47
Mitt Romney	40	39
Undecided	10	14
Total	100	100

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On another topic, politically speaking, do you consider yourself to be very liberal, liberal, moderate, conservative, or very conservative?

LIKELY VOTERS		September 2012	
Very liberal		8	
Liberal		20	
Moderate		34	
Conservative		29	
Very conservative		10	
Total		100	
REGISTERED VOTERS		September 2012	May 2012
Very liberal		8	5
Liberal		20	18
Moderate		34	34
Conservative		28	31
Very conservative		9	12
Total		100	100

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Are you Protestant, Catholic, Jewish, or Muslim?

LIKELY VOTERS		September 2012	
Protestant		48	
Catholic		23	
Jewish		2	
Other		11	
No Religion		15	
Total		100	
REGISTERED VOTERS		September 2012	May 2012
Protestant		47	50
Catholic		23	22
Jewish		2	2
Other		12	10
No Religion		16	16
Total		100	100
RESIDENTS		September 2012	May 2012
Protestant		47	47
Catholic		23	22
Jewish		2	2
Other		12	11
No Religion		15	17
Total		100	100

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Would you describe yourself as a fundamentalist or an evangelical Christian, or would you not describe yourself that way?

LIKELY VOTERS		September 2012	
Yes		17	
No		83	
Total		100	
REGISTERED VOTERS		September 2012	May 2012
Yes		16	20
No		84	80
Total		100	100
RESIDENTS		September 2012	May 2012
Yes		16	19
No		84	81
Total		100	100

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Are you currently married, living with a partner, separated, divorced, widowed, or single, that is never married (recoded)?

LIKELY VOTERS		September 2012	
Married		59	
Not married		41	
Total		100	
REGISTERED VOTERS		September 2012	
Married		56	
Not married		44	
Total		100	
RESIDENTS		September 2012	
Married		53	
Not married		47	
Total		100	

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What is the highest level of school you completed or the highest degree you received (recoded)?

LIKELY VOTERS		September 2012	
Not college graduate		49	
College graduate		51	
Total		100	
REGISTERED VOTERS		September 2012	May 2012
Not college graduate		52	53
College graduate		48	47
Total		100	100
RESIDENTS		September 2012	May 2012
Not college graduate		55	58
College graduate		45	42
Total		100	100

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Have you ever served in the U.S. Military?

LIKELY VOTERS		September 2012	
Yes		16	
No		84	
Total		100	
REGISTERED VOTERS		September 2012	
Yes		15	
No		85	
Total		100	
RESIDENTS		September 2012	
Yes		15	
No		85	
Total		100	

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Are you male or female?

LIKELY VOTERS		September 2012	
Male		50	
Female		50	
Total		100	
REGISTERED VOTERS		September 2012	May 2012
Male		50	48
Female		50	52
Total		100	100
RESIDENTS		September 2012	May 2012
Male		50	50
Female		50	50
Total		100	100