

Interviews: 900 Registered Voters, including 270 cell phone only respondents

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48 Male 52 Female

Please note: all results are shown as percentages unless otherwise stated.

<p><i>The margin of error for 900 interviews among Registered Voters (RV) is $\pm 3.27\%$</i></p> <p><i>The margin of error for 736 interviews among Likely Voters (LV) is $\pm 3.61\%$</i></p>

<p><i>Unless otherwise noted by a "+", all previous data shown reflects responses among all adults.</i></p>
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Q2a For statistical purposes only, would you please tell me how old you are? (IF "REFUSED," ASK:) Well, would you tell me which age group you belong to? (READ LIST.)+

18-24.....	9
25-29.....	7
30-34.....	10
35-39.....	8
40-44.....	9
45-49.....	8
50-54.....	11
55-59.....	10
60-64.....	12
65-69.....	6
70-74.....	4
75 and over.....	6
Not sure/refused	-

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Q2b To ensure that we have a representative sample, would you please tell me whether you are from a Hispanic or Spanish-speaking background?+

Yes, Hispanic.....	8
No, not Hispanic	91
Not sure/refused	1

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Q2c And again, for statistical purposes only, what is your race--white, black, Asian, or something else?+

White.....	74
Black.....	12
Asian.....	2
Other.....	5
Hispanic (VOL).....	5
Not sure/refused	2

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Q3 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?

	<u>9/12+</u>	<u>8/12+</u>	<u>7/12+</u>	<u>6/12</u>	<u>5/12</u>	<u>4/12</u>	<u>3/12</u>	<u>1/12</u>	<i>High</i> <u>9/01</u>	<i>Low</i> <u>10/17-20/08+</u>
Headed in the right direction.....	39	32	32	31	33	33	33	30	72	12
Off on the wrong track	55	61	60	61	58	59	58	61	11	78
Mixed (VOL)	4	4	5	5	5	6	5	5	11	7
Not sure.....	2	3	3	3	4	2	4	4	6	3
	<u>12/11</u>	<u>11/11</u>	<u>10/11</u>	<u>8/11</u>	<u>7/11</u>	<u>6/11</u>	<u>5/11</u>	<u>4/11</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<u>1/11</u>
	22	19	17	19	25	29	36	28	31	35
	69	73	74	73	67	62	50	63	60	56
	6	5	5	5	5	6	10	6	6	5
	3	3	4	3	3	3	4	3	3	4
	<u>12/10</u>	<u>11/10</u>	<u>10/28-30/10+</u>	<u>10/14-18/10+</u>	<u>9/10</u>	<u>8/26-30/10</u>	<u>8/5-9/10</u>	<u>6/10</u>	<u>5/6-11/10</u>	<u>3/10</u>
	28	32	31	32	32	30	32	29	34	33
	63	58	60	59	59	61	58	62	56	59
	6	6	5	6	5	6	6	5	6	5
	3	4	4	3	4	3	4	4	4	3
	<u>1/23-25/10</u>	<u>1/10-14/10</u>	<u>12/09</u>	<u>10/09</u>	<u>9/09</u>	<u>7/09</u>	<u>6/09</u>	<u>4/09</u>	<u>2/09</u>	<u>1/09</u>
	32	34	33	36	39	39	42	43	41	26
	58	54	55	52	48	49	46	43	44	59
	7	10	10	9	10	9	9	10	9	9
	3	2	2	3	3	3	3	4	6	6

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Q4 In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job Barack Obama is doing as president?

	<u>9/12+</u>	<u>8/12+</u>	<u>7/12+</u>	<u>6/12</u>	<u>5/12</u>	<u>4/12</u>	<u>3/12</u>	<u>1/12</u>	<u>12/11</u>	<i>High</i> <u>4/09</u>	<i>Low</i> <u>8/11</u>	
Approve	50	48	49	47	48	49	50	48	46	61	44	
Disapprove.....	48	49	48	48	46	46	45	46	48	30	51	
Not sure	2	3	3	5	6	5	5	6	6	9	5	
			<u>11/11</u>	<u>10/11</u>	<u>8/11</u>	<u>7/11</u>	<u>6/11</u>	<u>5/11</u>	<u>4/11</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<u>1/11</u>	
			44	44	44	47	49	52	49	48	53	
			51	51	51	48	46	41	45	46	41	
			5	5	5	5	5	7	6	6	6	
			<u>12/10</u>	<u>11/10</u>	<u>10/28-30/10+</u>	<u>10/14-18/10+</u>	<u>9/10</u>	<u>8/26-30/10</u>	<u>8/5-9/10</u>	<u>6/10</u>	<u>5/20-23/10</u>	<u>5/6-11/10</u>
			45	47	45	47	46	45	47	45	48	50
			48	47	50	49	49	49	48	48	45	44
			7	6	5	4	5	6	5	7	7	6
	<u>3/10</u>	<u>1/23-25/10</u>	<u>1/10-14/10</u>	<u>12/09</u>	<u>10/09</u>	<u>9/09</u>	<u>8/09</u>	<u>7/09</u>	<u>6/09</u>	<u>4/09</u>	<u>2/09</u>	
	48	50	48	47	51	51	51	53	56	61	60	
	47	44	43	46	42	41	40	40	34	30	26	
	5	6	9	7	7	8	9	7	10	9	14	

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Q5 Do you generally approve or disapprove of the job Barack Obama is doing in handling the economy?

	<u>9/12+</u>	<u>8/12+</u>	<u>7/12+</u>	<u>6/12</u>	<u>5/12</u>	<u>4/12</u>	<u>3/12</u>	<u>1/12</u>	<i>High</i> <u>2/09</u>	<i>Low</i> <u>8/11</u>
Approve	47	44	44	42	43	45	45	45	56	37
Disapprove	51	54	53	53	52	52	51	50	31	59
Not sure	2	2	3	5	5	3	4	5	13	4
		<u>12/11</u>	<u>11/11</u>	<u>10/11</u>	<u>8/11</u>	<u>7/11</u>	<u>6/11</u>	<u>5/11</u>	<u>4/11</u>	<u>2/11</u>
		39	40	39	37	43	41	37	45	46
		57	57	57	59	54	54	58	52	49
		4	3	4	4	3	5	5	3	5
		<u>1/11</u>	<u>12/10</u>	<u>11/10</u>	10/14- <u>18/10+</u>	<u>9/10</u>	8/26- <u>30/10</u>	8/5- <u>9/10</u>	<u>6/10</u>	5/6- <u>11/10</u>
		45	42	42	43	42	39	44	46	48
		50	54	54	53	54	56	52	50	46
		5	4	4	4	4	5	4	4	6
	<u>3/10</u>	<u>1/23- 25/10</u>	<u>1/10- 14/10</u>	<u>12/09</u>	<u>10/09</u>	<u>9/09</u>	<u>7/09</u>	<u>6/09</u>	<u>4/09</u>	<u>2/09</u>
	47	47	43	42	47	50	49	51	55	56
	50	49	49	51	46	42	44	38	37	31
	3	4	8	7	7	8	7	11	8	13

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Q6 Do you generally approve or disapprove of the job Barack Obama is doing in handling foreign policy?

	<u>9/12+</u>	<u>8/12+</u>	<u>7/12+</u>	<u>5/12</u>	<u>1/12</u>	<u>11/11</u>	<u>8/11</u>	<u>6/11</u>	<u>5/11</u>
Approve.....	49	54	53	51	51	52	50	50	57
Disapprove.....	46	40	41	42	41	41	45	44	35
Not sure	5	6	6	7	8	7	5	6	8
	<u>4/11</u>	<u>11/10</u>	<u>1/10</u>	<u>12/09</u>	<u>10/09</u>	<u>9/09</u>	<u>7/09</u>	<u>6/09</u>	<u>4/09</u>
	49	48	50	49	51	50	57	54	56
	46	44	37	42	39	36	33	36	31
	5	8	13	9	10	14	10	10	13

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I'd like to ask you a question about the November 2012 presidential election...

Q7 Please tell me how interested you are in November's elections, using a scale from one to ten, on which a "ten" means that you are very interested in November's elections and a "one" means that you are not at all interested. You may choose any number from one to ten. (IF "NOT SURE," RECORD AS "DK.")

	<u>9/12+</u>	<u>8/12+</u>	<u>7/12+</u>	<u>6/12+</u>	<u>5/12+</u>	<u>4/12+</u>	<u>3/12+</u>	<u>1/12+</u>	<u>10/4- 5/08+</u>	<u>9/19- 22/08+</u>	<u>9/6- 8/08+</u>
10, very interested.....	64	62	62	60	62	61	48	57	72	70	69
9	8	6	6	8	7	6	11	10	7	8	10
8	12	13	11	12	12	12	14	11	10	9	10
7	6	6	7	7	6	7	9	7	4	5	3
6	2	3	4	3	4	3	5	3	1	2	2
5	4	5	5	5	5	5	6	6	3	3	2
4	1	1	1	2	1	2	2	2	1	1	1
3	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	2	-	1	1
2	1	1	-	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	1
1, not at all interested	1	2	3	1	1	2	2	1	2	1	1
Cannot rate.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
	<u>8/08+</u>	<u>7/08+</u>	<u>6/08+</u>	<u>4/08+</u>	<u>3/08+</u>	<u>1/08+</u>	<u>12/07+</u>	<u>11/07+</u>	<u>10/04+</u>	<u>9/04+</u>	<u>8/04+</u>
	65	64	67	65	67	66	65	62	74	71	63
	8	8	7	9	8	10	8	9	8	7	10
	11	12	11	11	10	10	12	11	9	9	12
	5	5	5	4	5	4	5	6	3	5	6
	2	3	2	3	2	3	2	3	2	2	2
	3	4	4	3	3	4	4	5	2	4	4
	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	-	1	1
	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	-	-
	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	3	2	2	2	2	1	2	2	1	1	1
	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Q8 Now I'm going to read you the names of several public figures and groups and I'd like you to rate your feelings toward each one as very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative. If you don't know the name, please just say so. (RANDOMIZE EXCEPT BARACK OBAMA)

	<u>Very Positive</u>	<u>Somewhat Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Somewhat Negative</u>	<u>Very Negative</u>	<u>Don't Know Name/ Not Sure</u>
Barack Obama						
September 2012+.....	35	13	9	11	31	1
August 2012+	31	17	8	13	30	1
July 2012+	33	16	8	11	32	-
June 2012	29	19	14	11	27	-
May 2012	32	17	10	12	29	-
April 2012	30	18	13	13	26	-
March 2012	28	21	14	12	25	-
January 2012	28	22	10	14	25	1
December 2011	22	23	13	15	27	-
November 2011	26	19	15	13	27	-
October 2011	23	23	14	12	28	-
August 2011	24	20	12	14	30	-
June 2011	27	22	14	13	24	-
May 2011	33	21	14	13	18	1
April 2011	28	22	14	13	23	-
February 2011	28	21	15	15	20	1
January 2011	29	23	15	14	18	1
December 2010	25	23	14	14	24	-
November 2010	28	21	12	13	26	-
October 28-30, 2010+	29	18	12	15	27	-
October 14-18, 2010+	29	19	9	17	26	-
September 2010	29	18	12	14	27	-
August 26-30, 2010	26	20	12	14	27	1
August 5-9, 2010	27	19	13	14	27	-
June 2010	27	20	13	15	25	-
May 20-23, 2010	28	19	15	14	24	-
May 6-11, 2010	29	20	12	14	24	1
March 2010	31	19	11	14	24	1
January 23-25, 2010	29	23	14	14	20	-
January 10-14, 2010	29	23	12	16	19	1
December 2009	29	21	13	15	22	-
October 2009	36	20	11	12	21	-
September 2009	38	18	11	14	19	-
July 2009	37	18	10	14	20	1
June 2009	41	19	11	12	17	-
April 2009	45	19	12	10	13	1
February 2009	47	21	12	9	10	1
January 2009	43	23	17	8	6	3
December 2008	45	22	15	8	8	2
October 17-20, 2008+	37	19	10	10	23	1
October 4-5, 2008+	30	22	12	12	23	1
September 19-22, 2008+	29	19	15	14	22	1
September 6-8, 2008+	33	20	13	12	20	2
Barack Obama						
<i>High</i>						
February 2009	47	21	12	9	10	1
<i>Presidential Term Low</i>						
August 2011	24	20	12	14	30	-
<i>All-time Obama Low</i>						
October 28-30, 2006+	14	17	18	5	6	40
NBC-WSJ All-time Presidential Tracking High/Low within Presidential Term						
<i>High</i>						
<i>March 1991</i>						
(George H.W. Bush)	50	30	9	6	4	1
<i>Low</i>						
<i>October 17-20, 2008+</i>						
(George W. Bush)	11	18	11	15	45	-

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Q8 (Cont'd)	Very Positive	Somewhat Positive	<u>Neutral</u>	Somewhat Negative	Very Negative	Don't Know Name/ Not Sure
Mitt Romney						
September 2012+.....	18	20	18	16	27	1
August 2012+.....	18	20	17	15	29	1
July 2012+.....	13	22	23	16	24	2
June 2012.....	9	24	22	17	22	6
May 2012.....	10	24	23	19	19	5
April 2012.....	10	23	26	18	18	6
March 2012.....	6	22	28	20	19	5
January 2012.....	6	25	26	21	15	7
December 2011.....	4	20	30	21	11	14
November 2011.....	5	21	32	17	13	12
October 2011.....	6	21	30	17	12	14
August 2011.....	5	19	32	18	11	15
June 2011.....	7	20	30	16	10	17
February 2011.....	6	19	30	13	12	20
December 9-13, 2010.....	10	18	30	10	10	22
September 2010.....	6	15	29	20	10	20
March 2010.....	7	20	29	16	9	19
July 2009.....	10	18	30	12	8	22
April 2008+.....	9	19	31	17	11	13
January 2008.....	7	21	24	19	13	16
December 2007.....	9	16	26	16	11	22
November 2007.....	4	18	27	17	12	22
September 2007.....	6	18	26	14	11	25
June 2007.....	5	16	23	13	7	36
March 2007.....	4	11	24	11	6	44
December 2006.....	3	8	22	7	4	56
Bill Clinton						
September 2012+.....	39	18	15	15	12	1
August 2012+.....	34	23	18	13	10	2
August 2011.....	32	25	21	11	11	-
September 2010.....	29	26	21	13	10	1
January 2009.....	25	27	16	14	17	1
December 2008.....	23	26	21	12	17	1
August 2008+.....	20	25	16	19	20	-
June 2008+.....	16	24	17	17	25	1
April 2008+.....	18	21	18	18	24	1
March 24-25, 2008+.....	20	22	15	18	25	-
March 7-10, 2008+.....	20	22	11	13	32	2
January 2008.....	24	23	14	11	27	1
November 2007.....	25	23	13	14	25	-
March 2007.....	27	21	16	14	21	1
April 2006.....	27	23	16	12	21	1
June 2004+.....	20	22	16	14	27	1
January 2002.....	17	19	13	13	36	2
June 2001.....	18	21	15	15	31	-
January 2001.....	32	24	11	12	21	-
<i>High</i>						
January 1993.....	33	31	15	9	7	5
<i>Low</i>						
March 2001.....	17	17	13	14	38	1

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SUMMARY TABLE OF IMAGES – BY D/S (POSITIVE – NEGATIVE)

	TOTAL POSITIVE	TOTAL NEGATIVE	D/S
Bill Clinton.....	57	27	30
Barack Obama.....	48	42	6
Mitt Romney.....	38	43	-5

Now, thinking again about this November's elections...

Q9 If the next election for president were held today, with (ROTATE:) Mitt Romney and Paul Ryan as the Republican candidates, and Barack Obama and Joe Biden as the Democratic candidates, for whom would you vote?

	9/12		8/12+
	RV+	LV++	
Mitt Romney and Paul Ryan.....	44	45	44
Barack Obama and Joe Biden	50	50	48
Depends (VOL)	1	1	1
Neither/other (VOL)	3	1	4
Not sure.....	2	3	3

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++ Results shown reflect responses among likely voters.

Trial Heat Trend Data

	7/12+	6/12+	5/12+	4/12+	3/12+	1/12+	12/11+	11/11+
Mitt Romney	43	44	43	43	44	43	45	43
Barack Obama	49	47	47	49	50	49	47	49
Depends (VOL)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Neither/other (VOL)	5	3	6	4	4	4	4	4
Not sure.....	2	5	4	2	1	3	3	3

	10/11+	8/11+	6/11+	2/11+	12/10	1/08	11/07	9/07
	44	45	43	40	40	35	36	34
	46	46	49	49	47	48	48	51
	1	2	1	-	1	2	1	1
	5	4	3	6	6	7	6	7
	4	3	4	5	6	8	9	7

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(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO MAKE A CHOICE IN Q9)

Q10 Would you definitely vote for (Romney and Ryan/Obama and Biden), probably vote for (Romney and Ryan/Obama and Biden) but are still thinking about it, or are you just leaning toward voting for (Romney and Ryan/Obama and Biden)?

RESULTS SHOWN AMONG VOTERS WHO CHOSE EACH CANDIDATE

	Romney Voters+					
	9/12	8/12	7/12	6/12	5/12	4/12
Definitely vote for candidate	79	72	72	68	72	65
Probably vote for candidate	13	15	12	20	14	16
Just leaning toward voting for candidate	8	13	15	12	14	19
Not sure	-	-	1	-	-	-

	Obama Voters+					
	9/12	8/12	7/12	6/12	5/12	4/12
Definitely vote for candidate	83	76	78	78	73	74
Probably vote for candidate	9	13	13	10	13	13
Just leaning toward voting for candidate	8	10	9	12	13	12
Not sure	-	1	-	-	1	1

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RESULTS SHOWN OFF BASE OF ALL REGISTERED VOTERS

	Romney Voters+					
	9/12	8/12	7/12	6/12	5/12	4/12
Definitely vote for candidate	34	32	31	30	31	28
Probably vote for candidate	5	6	5	9	6	7
Just leaning toward voting for candidate	4	6	7	5	6	8
Not sure	1	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL VOTE (Q9)	44	44	43	44	43	43

	Obama Voters+					
	9/12	8/12	7/12	6/12	5/12	4/12
Definitely vote for candidate	41	37	38	37	34	37
Probably vote for candidate	5	6	6	5	6	6
Just leaning toward voting for candidate	4	5	4	5	7	6
Not sure	-	-	1	-	-	-
TOTAL VOTE (Q9)	50	48	49	47	47	49

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Q11 And, compared to when Barack Obama became President—do you think that the country is better off, worse off or in about the same place?

	9/12+	8/12+	8/10
Better off.....	38	31	31
Worse off.....	41	42	40
Same place	21	27	28
Not sure.....	-	-	1

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Q12 Now, who do you think is better prepared to lead the country for the NEXT four years (ROTATE:) - Mitt Romney or Barack Obama? If you think both are equally prepared or neither is prepared to lead the country for the NEXT four years, please just say so.

Mitt Romney	36
Barack Obama.....	47
Both	5
Neither	11
Not sure	1

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Now, turning to the economy...

Q13 During the next twelve months, do you think that the nation's economy will get better, get worse, or stay about the same?

	<u>9/12+</u>	<u>8/12+</u>	<u>7/12+</u>	<u>6/12</u>	<u>5/12</u>	<u>4/12</u>			
Economy will get better.....	42	36	27	35	33	38			
Economy will get worse	18	18	25	20	19	19			
Economy will stay about the same....	32	38	45	41	46	42			
Not sure	8	8	3	4	2	1			
	<u>3/12</u>	<u>1/12</u>	<u>12/11</u>	<u>11/11</u>	<u>10/11</u>	<u>8/11</u>	<u>7/11</u>		
	40	37	30	25	21	22	26		
	23	17	22	28	32	30	31		
	35	44	47	47	45	47	41		
	2	2	1	-	2	1	2		
	<u>6/11</u>	<u>4/11</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<u>1/11</u>	<u>12/10</u>	<u>11/10</u>	<u>10/14-</u> <u>18/10+</u>		
	29	33	29	40	32	37	37		
	30	21	29	17	24	15	20		
	39	46	41	42	42	46	41		
	2	-	1	1	2	2	2		
	<u>9/10</u>	<u>8/26-</u> <u>30/10</u>	<u>8/5-</u> <u>9/10</u>	<u>6/10</u>	<u>5/6-</u> <u>10/10</u>	<u>3/10</u>	<u>1/10-</u> <u>14/10</u>	<u>10/09</u>	<u>9/09</u>
	32	26	34	33	40	41	41	42	47
	24	26	25	23	20	22	19	22	20
	41	45	39	43	38	36	38	33	30
	3	3	2	1	2	1	2	3	3
	<u>7/09</u>	<u>6/09</u>	<u>4/09</u>	<u>10/08+</u>	<u>9-</u> <u>10/06+</u>	<u>10/04+</u>	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>10/98+</u>	<u>10/94</u>
	44	46	38	38	22	43	41	17	31
	21	22	30	20	22	10	20	24	24
	32	29	30	37	51	33	34	54	40
	3	3	2	5	5	14	5	5	5

¹ Prior to April 2001, the question was phrased, "Over the next year..."
+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Q14 Do you think the U.S. economy is recovering or is not recovering?

	<u>9/12+</u>	<u>8/12+</u>	<u>6/12</u>
Economy is recovering	51	50	51
Economy is not recovering	45	46	44
Mixed/In between (VOL).....	2	3	5
Not sure.....	2	1	-

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Now, thinking about something else...

Q15 I'd like you to compare Barack Obama and Mitt Romney on a few qualities that people might look for in a president. For each one, please tell me whether you think that Barack Obama would be better or Mitt Romney would be better on that item. If you think that both would be equally good or that neither would be good on a particular item, just say so. Who do you think would be better when it comes to (READ ITEM. RANDOMIZE.)--Barack Obama or Mitt Romney, or do you think that both would be equally good or neither would be good?

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	<u>Barack Obama Better</u>	<u>Mitt Romney Better</u>	<u>Both Would Be Equally Good</u>	<u>Neither Would Be Good</u>	<u>Depends (VOL)</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>
Dealing with issues of concern to women.						
September 2012+	54	26	9	8	-	3
August 2012+	52	24	10	9	-	5
April 2012	49	21	15	10	-	5
Looking out for the middle class.						
September 2012+	53	34	4	9	-	-
July 2012+	49	33	3	13	2	-
April 2012	48	27	7	16	-	2
Being a good commander-in-chief.						
September 2012+	45	38	7	7	1	2
August 2012+	45	38	8	7	-	2
July 2012+	45	35	9	9	2	-
April 2012	43	33	14	9	-	1
November 2011	41	29	13	12	-	5

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Now, thinking about something else...

Q16 I'd like you to compare Barack Obama and Mitt Romney on a few issues. For each one, please tell me whether you think that Barack Obama or Mitt Romney would be better on that issue. If you think that both would be equally good or that neither would be good on a particular issue, just say so. Who do you think would be better when it comes to (READ ITEM. RANDOMIZE.)--Barack Obama or Mitt Romney, or do you think that both would be equally good or neither would be good?

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY BARACK OBAMA BETTER

	<u>Barack Obama Better</u>	<u>Mitt Romney Better</u>	<u>Both Would Be Equally Good</u>	<u>Neither Would Be Good</u>	<u>Depends (VOL)</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>
Dealing with Medicare						
September 2012+	47	37	3	10	1	2
July 2012+	42	34	5	16	3	-
Dealing with taxes						
September 2012+	45	39	4	10	-	2
July 2012+	40	38	6	14	2	-
Dealing with the economy						
September 2012+	43	43	5	7	-	2
July 2012+	37	43	8	12	-	-

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Moving on...

(ROTATE Q17 AND Q18)

Q17 I'm going to read you several things that some people have said concern them about Mitt Romney's candidacy. Please tell me which one or two of these, if any, cause you the most concern. (IF MORE THAN TWO, ASK:) Well, if you had to choose just one or two, which would you say cause you the MOST concern?

RESPONSES RANKED BY HIGHEST TOTAL %

	<u>Total Voter</u>	<u>Romney Voters</u>	<u>Obama Voters</u>
He has the wrong positions on abortion, contraception, and gay marriage	21	8	34
He flip flops and changes his mind too much on issues	20	13	25
He is too wealthy to understand the day-to-day concerns of most Americans	20	5	32
He has not provided specifics about his plans to reform taxes and cut spending	17	12	21
The company he headed cut jobs and sent jobs overseas.....	15	14	16
He is too inexperienced in foreign policy	15	11	17
He has said he will not release more than two years of his personal income tax returns.....	12	5	19
None of these cause concern.....	23	47	2
Not sure	2	1	2

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Q18 I'm going to read you several things that some people have said concern them about Barack Obama's candidacy. Please tell me which one or two of these, if any, cause you the most concern. (IF MORE THAN TWO GIVEN, ASK:) Well, if you had to choose just one or two, which would you say cause you the MOST concern?

RESPONSES RANKED BY HIGHEST TOTAL %

	<u>Total Voter</u>	<u>Romney Voters</u>	<u>Obama Voters</u>
He has significantly increased federal spending and raised the federal debt	29	44	15
His economic policies have not been effective at creating jobs	25	37	12
His proposed cuts to defense will weaken America's military	16	27	7
He has not brought the needed change in Washington that he promised	15	17	13
He has the wrong positions on abortion, contraception, and gay marriage	13	18	7
He has not provided specifics about what he would do in his second term	11	9	13
He has failed to provide strong leadership on dealing with major problems.	11	16	7
None of these cause concern	22	1	42
Not sure	2	2	2

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

FACTUALS: Now I am going to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes only.

QF1a Are you currently registered to vote [LANDLINE: at this address; CELL: in (state from Q1x)]?+

Registered	100
Not registered.....	-
Not sure.....	-

QF1b/c A lot of people are unable to get out and vote for many reasons. Did you happen to vote in last November's election for president? (IF "YES," ASK:) For whom did you vote—Barack Obama, John McCain, or someone else?+

Yes, Voted	
Voted for Barack Obama	45
Voted for John McCain	37
Voted for someone else	4
Not sure	3
No, Did Not Vote	
Not sure	1
+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.	

QF1d And did you happen to vote in the 2010 election for U.S. Congress?+

Yes, Voted.....	62
No, did not vote	33
Not sure.....	5
+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.	

QF2 Are you currently employed? (IF "CURRENTLY EMPLOYED," ASK:) What type of work do you do? (RECORD UNDER "6--OTHER.") (IF "NOT CURRENTLY EMPLOYED," ASK:) Are you a student, a homemaker, retired, or unemployed and looking for work?+

Currently Employed	
Professional, manager	22
White-collar worker	20
Blue-collar worker	17
Farmer, rancher	-
Not Currently Employed	
Student	4
Homemaker	6
Retired	22
Unemployed, looking for work.....	6
Other.....	-
Not sure	3
+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.	

QF3 What is the last grade that you completed in school? (DO NOT READ CHOICES.)+

Grade school	1
Some high school.....	3
High school graduate	20
Some college, no degree.....	20
Vocational training/2-year college	10
4-year college/bachelor's degree.....	27
Some postgraduate work, no degree	2
2-3 years postgraduate work/master's degree.....	11
Doctoral/law degree	5
Not sure/refused.....	1
+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.	

QF4a Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as (ROTATE:) a Democrat, a Republican, an independent, or something else? (IF "DEMOCRAT" OR "REPUBLICAN," ASK:) Would you call yourself a strong (Democrat/Republican) or not a very strong (Democrat/Republican)? (IF "NOT SURE," CODE AS "NOT VERY STRONG DEMOCRAT/REPUBLICAN.") (IF "INDEPENDENT," ASK:) Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican Party, closer to the Democratic Party, or do you think of yourself as strictly independent? (IF "NOT SURE," CODE AS "STRICTLY INDEPENDENT.")+

Strong Democrat	22
Not very strong Democrat	10
Independent/lean Democrat	10
Strictly Independent	16
Independent/lean Republican.....	12
Not very strong Republican	7
Strong Republican.....	18
Other (VOL).....	2
Not sure.....	3

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Now, thinking about something else...

QF4b Do you consider yourself a supporter of the Tea Party Movement?

	<u>9/12+</u>	<u>8/12+</u>	<u>7/12+</u>	<u>6/12+</u>	<u>5/12+</u>	<u>4/12+</u>	<u>3/12+</u>	<u>1/12+</u>
Yes	22	26	25	24	30	25	28	27
No	65	63	65	64	60	64	63	66
Depends (VOL)	4	3	2	3	2	2	2	2
Not sure	9	8	7	9	8	9	7	5
	<u>12/11+</u>	<u>11/11+</u>	<u>10/11+</u>	<u>8/11+</u>	<u>6/11+</u>	<u>5/11+</u>	<u>4/11+</u>	
	27	25	26	27	26	26	25	
	65	69	64	62	63	62	67	
	3	2	3	4	3	2	3	
	5	4	7	7	8	10	5	
	<u>2/11+</u>	<u>1/11+</u>	<u>12/10+</u>	<u>11/10+</u>	<u>10/28-30/10+</u>	<u>10/14-18/10+</u>	<u>9/10+</u>	
	29	27	29	30	28	30	28	
	61	62	61	59	61	59	61	
	3	3	3	4	3	2	3	
	7	8	7	7	8	10	8	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

QF5 Thinking about your general approach to issues, do you consider yourself to be liberal, moderate, or conservative? (IF "LIBERAL" OR "CONSERVATIVE," ASK:) Do you consider yourself to be very (liberal/conservative) or somewhat (liberal/conservative)?+

Very liberal	10
Somewhat liberal.....	14
Moderate.....	37
Somewhat conservative	19
Very conservative.....	16
Not sure.....	4

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

QF7 Are you married, widowed, separated, divorced, single and never been married, or are you unmarried and living with a partner?+

Married	59
Widowed.....	6
Separated	2
Divorced	8
Single/never been married	18
Unmarried and living with a partner	5
Refused.....	2

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

QF8 If you added together the yearly income of all the members of your family who were living at home last year, would the total be less than ten thousand dollars, between ten thousand dollars and twenty thousand dollars, between twenty thousand dollars and thirty thousand dollars, between thirty thousand dollars and forty thousand dollars, between forty thousand dollars and fifty thousand dollars, between fifty thousand dollars and seventy-five thousand dollars, between seventy-five thousand dollars and one hundred thousand dollars, or would the total be more than that?+

Less than \$10,000	4
Between \$10,000 and \$20,000.....	7
Between \$20,000 and \$30,000.....	8
Between \$30,000 and \$40,000.....	10
Between \$40,000 and \$50,000.....	8
Between \$50,000 and \$75,000.....	17
Between \$75,000 and \$100,000.....	16
More than \$100,000.....	22
Not sure/refused	8

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