

Interviews: 1000 adults, including 200 reached by cell phone

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48 Male
52 Female

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

The margin of error for 1000 interviews is ±3.10%

Unless otherwise noted by a "+", all previous data shown reflects responses among all adults.

(ASK ONLY OF SAMPLE TYPE 2--CELL PHONE ONLY RESPONDENTS.)

Q1 Do you have a landline in addition to your cell phone, or is your cell phone the only telephone you have?

Have a landline	-	TERMINATE
Cell phone is only telephone.....	100	CONTINUE
Not sure	-	TERMINATE

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	8
35-39	8
40-44	12
45-49	9
50-54	10
55-59	9
60-64	11
65-69	5
70-74	3
75 and over.....	7
Not sure/refused	2

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.....	11
No, not Hispanic	88
Not sure/refused	1

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

White	75
Black	11
Asian	2
Other	3
Hispanic (VOL).....	7
Not sure/refused.....	2

Q3 All in all, do you think that things in the nation are generally headed in the right direction, or do you feel that things are off on the wrong track?

	<u>6/11</u>	<u>5/11</u>	<u>4/11</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<u>1/11</u>	<u>12/10</u>	<u>11/10</u>	<u>10/28-30/10+</u>	<i>High</i> <u>9/01</u>	<i>Low</i> <u>10/17-20/08+</u>
Headed in the right direction.....	29	36	28	31	35	28	32	31	72	12
Off on the wrong track	62	50	63	60	56	63	58	60	11	78
Mixed (VOL)	6	10	6	6	5	6	6	5	11	7
Not sure	3	4	3	3	4	3	4	4	6	3
						<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>
						32	32	30	32	29
						59	59	61	58	62
						6	5	6	6	5
						3	4	3	4	4
			<u>5/6-11/10</u>	<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>	
			34	33	32	34	33	36	39	
			56	59	58	54	55	52	48	
			6	5	7	10	10	9	10	
			4	3	3	2	2	3	3	
		<u>7/09</u>	<u>6/09</u>	<u>4/09</u>	<u>2/09</u>	<u>1/09</u>	<u>12/08</u>	<u>10/17-20/08+</u>	<u>10/4-5/08+</u>	<u>9/19-22/08+</u>
		39	42	43	41	26	26	12	12	16
		49	46	43	44	59	60	78	77	73
		9	9	10	9	9	10	7	9	9
		3	3	4	6	6	4	3	2	2
	<u>8/08+</u>	<u>7/08+</u>	<u>6/08+</u>	<u>4/08+</u>	<u>3/7-10/08+</u>	<u>1/08+</u>	<u>9/07</u>	<u>1/07</u>	<u>9/06+</u>	<u>1/06</u>
	18	13	16	15	20	20	25	28	31	31
	67	74	71	73	66	68	63	57	54	57
	12	10	11	10	11	9	9	13	12	10
	3	3	2	2	3	3	3	2	3	2
	<u>9/05</u>	<u>1/05</u>	<u>9/04+</u>	<u>1/04</u>	<u>9/03</u>	<u>1/03</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	<u>9/01</u>	<u>12/99</u>
	32	40	39	47	38	36	42	62	72	49
	57	47	49	43	50	47	43	20	11	34
	8	10	10	6	8	14	12	14	11	15
	3	3	2	4	4	3	3	4	6	2

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Q4a In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job that Barack Obama is doing as president?

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

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Q4b Do you generally approve or disapprove of the job that Barack Obama is doing in handling the economy?

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

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Q4c Do you generally approve or disapprove of the job that Barack Obama is doing in handling foreign policy?

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

*Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

Q4d Do you generally approve or disapprove of the job Barack Obama is doing in handling the war in Afghanistan?

	<u>6/11**</u>	<u>5/11</u>	<u>4/11</u>	<u>1/11</u>	<u>11/10</u>	<u>8/10</u>	<u>3/10</u>	<u>12/09</u>
Approve.....	54	56	46	49	48	44	53	46
Disapprove.....	39	35	45	38	41	45	35	42
Not sure.....	7	9	9	13	11	11	12	12

**Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

Q5 In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job that Congress is doing?

	<u>6/11</u>	<u>5/11</u>	<u>4/11</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<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>11/10</u>	<i>High</i> <u>9/98</u>	<i>Low</i> <u>10/17-</u> <u>20/08+</u>
Approve.....	18	22	20	22	20	21	21	22	21	61	12
Disapprove.....	74	70	73	69	73	71	72	73	72	28	79
Not sure	8	8	7	9	7	8	7	5	7	11	9
			<u>3/10</u>	<u>1/10-</u> <u>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>
			17	21	22	24	22	24	29	28	31
			77	67	68	65	66	63	57	58	54
			6	12	10	11	12	13	14	14	15
			<u>1/09</u>	<u>12/08</u>	<u>10/17-</u> <u>20/08+</u>	<u>10/4-</u> <u>5/08+</u>	<u>9/19-</u> <u>22/08+</u>	<u>7/08+</u>	<u>6/08+</u>	<u>1/08</u>	<u>9/07</u>
			23	21	12	13	15	15	13	18	23
			68	69	79	78	73	75	79	70	65
			9	10	9	9	12	10	8	12	12
			<u>3/07</u>	<u>9/06+</u>	<u>1/06</u>	<u>9/05</u>	<u>1/05</u>	<u>6/04+</u>	<u>1/04</u>	<u>9/03</u>	<u>1/03</u>
			31	20	29	29	41	40	46	39	42
			53	65	56	53	40	42	41	45	39
			16	15	15	18	19	18	13	16	19
			<u>9/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	<u>6/01</u>	<u>1/01</u>	<u>9/00+</u>	<u>1/00</u>	<u>9/99</u>	<u>12/98</u>	<u>1/96</u>
			40	54	47	48	46	48	40	44	26
			44	29	34	35	41	36	49	42	65
			16	17	19	17	13	16	11	14	9

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Q6 Now I'm going to read you the names of several public figures, groups, and organizations 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						
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
August 2008+.....	28	22	13	17	19	1
July 2008+.....	27	21	16	11	23	2
June 2008+	25	23	17	11	22	2
April 2008+.....	23	23	16	17	20	1
March 2008+	24	25	18	16	16	1
January 2008	19	30	22	11	14	4

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

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Barack Obama (cont'd)

	<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>
December 2007.....	17	29	22	14	12	6
November 2007.....	15	28	24	12	12	9
September 2007.....	15	27	23	13	12	10
July 2007.....	16	26	24	12	10	12
April 2007.....	19	26	25	8	6	16
March 2007.....	18	19	26	11	6	20
Barack Obama						
<i>High</i>						
February 2009.....	47	21	12	9	10	1
<i>Presidential Term Low</i>						
August 26-30, 2010.....	26	20	12	14	27	1
<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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** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

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Q6. (cont'd)

	<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>
The Democratic Party						
June 2011	13	25	21	19	20	2
May 2011	15	26	22	18	17	2
April 2011	12	26	22	18	21	1
January 2011	15	24	25	19	16	1
December 2010.....	9	28	20	18	23	2
November 2010.....	14	26	18	18	23	1
October 28-30, 2010+	16	23	17	19	23	2
October 14-18, 2010+	14	24	16	19	26	1
September 2010.....	15	22	20	20	22	1
August 26-30, 2010	11	25	19	19	24	2
August 5-9, 2010	11	22	22	18	26	1
June 2010	11	24	21	20	24	-
May 20-23, 2010	15	26	18	18	22	1
May 6-11, 2010	11	26	19	18	24	2
March 2010	9	28	19	19	24	1
January 23-25, 2010	14	25	22	17	21	1
January 10-14, 2010	11	27	20	18	23	1
December 2009.....	10	25	19	19	26	1
October 2009	14	28	20	14	22	2
September 2009.....	14	27	18	17	22	2
July 2009.....	13	29	19	17	20	2
June 2009	19	26	16	16	21	2
April 2009.....	17	28	19	15	19	2
February 2009.....	20	29	18	14	17	2
December 2008.....	17	32	22	15	13	1
October 17-20, 2008+	16	23	22	17	21	1
October 4-5, 2008+	15	26	20	18	19	2
September 19-22, 2008+	19	23	20	16	20	2
September 6-8, 2008+	24	25	17	19	14	1
August 2008+.....	17	26	21	16	19	1
July 2008+.....	15	28	18	18	19	2
June 2008+	16	27	24	13	19	1
April 2008+	17	27	22	15	17	2
March 7-10, 2008+	20	25	18	16	19	2
January 2008	22	25	19	18	15	1
November 2007.....	12	27	24	18	17	2
September 2007.....	8	26	27	22	16	1
July 2007.....	15	27	21	20	15	2
January 2007	13	29	26	16	14	2
October 28-30, 2006+	14	25	25	18	17	1
July 2006.....	7	25	27	22	17	2
January 2006	11	25	28	20	15	1
May 2005	12	26	26	20	14	2
February 2005.....	14	28	28	16	13	1
October 2004+	17	25	22	16	19	1
January 2002	16	33	23	15	11	2
January 1998	13	30	30	16	9	2
January 1994	11	29	29	17	11	3
<i>High</i>						
January 2000	20	30	23	15	10	2
<i>Low</i>						
July 2006.....	7	25	27	22	17	2

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Q.6 (cont'd)

	<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>
The Republican Party						
June 2011	8	22	24	23	21	2
May 2011	8	24	22	21	23	2
April 2011	7	24	24	22	22	1
January 2011	7	27	24	21	19	2
December 2010.....	11	27	23	17	20	2
November 2010.....	11	23	24	20	19	3
October 28-30, 2010+	12	22	24	18	23	1
October 14-18, 2010+	8	23	25	19	23	2
September 2010.....	8	23	25	21	22	1
August 26-30, 2010.....	7	23	25	22	21	2
August 5-9, 2010.....	6	18	28	24	22	2
June 2010	6	24	26	23	19	2
May 20-23, 2010	10	23	26	21	19	1
May 6-11, 2010	8	22	26	22	20	2
March 2010	6	25	24	20	23	2
January 23-25, 2010	7	25	27	18	20	3
January 10-14, 2010	7	23	27	24	18	1
December 2009.....	5	23	27	24	19	2
October 2009	6	19	27	23	23	2
September 2009.....	5	23	27	22	21	2
July 2009.....	9	19	29	21	20	2
June 2009	6	19	29	23	21	2
April 2009	7	22	25	22	22	2
February 2009.....	7	19	24	25	22	3
December 2008.....	7	20	20	26	26	1
October 17-20, 2008+	11	21	18	23	25	2
October 4-5, 2008+	12	23	17	21	26	1
September 19-22, 2008+.....	13	21	18	19	28	1
September 6-8, 2008+	18	22	15	18	25	2
August 2008+	10	25	22	19	23	1
July 2008+	8	23	20	22	26	1
June 2008+	7	21	24	22	25	1
April 2008+	8	19	23	22	26	2
March 7-10, 2008+	10	24	15	21	28	2
January 2008	13	21	26	19	18	3
November 2007.....	8	24	24	20	22	2
September 2007.....	8	23	20	27	20	2
July 2007.....	8	25	19	23	23	2
January 2007	10	23	21	23	21	2
Oct 28-30, 2006+	15	20	16	20	28	1
July 2006.....	11	22	18	21	25	3
January 2006	13	24	20	20	22	1
May 2005	13	27	17	19	22	2
February 2005.....	17	27	19	18	18	1
October 2004+	20	24	18	15	22	1
January 2002	20	32	24	12	9	3
January 1998	9	29	30	18	12	2
January 1994	12	30	29	16	9	4
<i>High</i>						
December 2001.....	21	36	18	13	9	3
<i>Low</i>						
August 5-9, 2010	6	18	28	24	22	2

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Q.6 (cont'd)

	<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>
The Tea Party Movement						
June 2011	13	15	20	14	27	11
April 2011	13	16	20	14	30	7
January 2011	13	16	22	14	24	11
December 2010	15	18	20	14	23	10
November 2010	14	16	21	13	25	11
October 28-30, 2010+	14	18	18	12	28	10
October 14-18, 2010+	14	16	20	11	27	12
September 2010	15	15	21	13	23	13
August 26-30, 2010	12	16	19	12	24	17
August 5-9, 2010	14	16	23	12	22	13
June 2010	15	19	21	12	19	14
May 6-11, 2010	16	15	21	10	20	18
March 2010	13	16	22	10	18	21
January 23-25, 2010	14	14	20	6	15	31
Mitt Romney						
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
Tim Pawlenty						
June 2011	3	11	25	9	6	46
February 2011	3	7	20	6	3	61
Newt Gingrich						
June 2011	3	13	23	21	27	13
April 2011	6	18	24	15	22	15
September 2010	9	15	27	16	19	14
December 2006	9	17	23	15	20	16
June 2006	6	12	29	13	20	20
October 1998+	8	19	24	19	27	3
September 1998	9	24	25	18	20	4
July 1998	7	18	28	18	23	6
June 1998	7	18	27	21	23	4
April 1998	5	18	28	20	23	6
February 1998	6	20	31	18	19	6
January 1998	6	17	26	21	25	5
December 1997	7	17	24	18	29	5

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Q.6 (cont'd)

	<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>
Jon Huntsman						
June 2011*	1	6	20	5	4	64
Sarah Palin						
June 2011*	7	17	19	16	38	3
April 2011	9	16	18	12	41	4
December 2010	13	15	20	16	34	2
September 2010	14	16	19	15	33	3
June 2010	13	16	24	12	31	4
March 2010	12	18	21	13	32	4
December 2009	14	18	23	14	26	5
October 2009	11	16	22	15	31	5
July 2009	14	18	20	16	27	5
April 2009	14	18	24	11	27	6
December 2008	15	20	16	15	30	4
October 17-20, 2008+	23	15	13	13	34	2
October 4-5, 2008+	26	18	15	15	22	4
September 19-22, 2008+	26	16	17	12	24	5
September 6-8, 2008+	30	17	17	10	17	9
Chris Christie						
June 2011*	10	13	19	7	7	44
Rick Perry						
June 2011**	4	8	18	6	9	55
Paul Ryan						
June 2011**	6	11	19	8	10	46

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

	TOTAL POSITIVE	TOTAL NEGATIVE	D/S
Barack Obama	49	37	12
Chris Christie.....	23	14	9
Mitt Romney	27	26	1
The Democratic Party	38	39	-1
Paul Ryan.....	17	18	-1
Tim Pawlenty.....	14	15	-1
Jon Huntsman.....	7	9	-2
Rick Perry.....	12	15	-3
The Tea Party Movement.....	28	41	-13
The Republican Party.....	30	44	-14
Sarah Palin.....	24	54	-30
Newt Gingrich.....	16	48	-32

Now, thinking about something else...

Q7 I'm going to read you two statements about the role of government, and I'd like to know which one comes closer to your point of view. (ROTATE STATEMENTS.)

Statement A: Government should do more to solve problems and help meet the needs of people,

OR

Statement B: Government is doing too many things better left to businesses and individuals.

	<u>6/11</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<u>10/10+</u>	<u>8/26- 30/10</u>	<u>6/10</u>	<u>1/10- 14/10</u>	<u>12/09</u>	<u>10/09</u>	<u>9/09</u>	<u>4/09</u>
A/Government should do more	51	51	45	47	47	43	44	46	45	47
B/Government is doing too many things	46	46	50	47	49	48	47	48	49	46
Some of both (VOL)	2	2	2	3	2	6	7	5	5	6
Not sure	1	1	3	3	2	3	2	1	1	1

	<u>2/09</u>	<u>10/4- 5/08+</u>	<u>9/19- 22/08+</u>	<u>7/08+</u>	<u>9/07</u>	<u>3/07</u>	<u>1/02</u>	<u>12/97</u>	<u>12/95¹</u>
	51	47	48	53	55	52	45	41	32
	40	45	42	42	38	40	43	51	62
	7	7	8	NA	6	6	9	5	NA
	2	1	2	5	1	2	3	3	6

¹ In December 1995, the question was phrased, "Some people think the government is trying to do too many things that should be left to individuals and businesses. Others think that government should do more to solve our country's problems. Which comes closer to your own view?"
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Even though it is a long way off, I'd like to ask you some questions about the 2012 elections...

Q8 If President Obama runs for re-election in the year 2012, do you think you will probably vote for President Obama or probably vote for the Republican candidate?+

	<u>6/11+</u>	<u>5/11+</u>	<u>4/11+</u>	<u>2/11+</u>
Probably vote for President Obama	45	45	43	45
Probably vote for Republican candidate.....	40	30	38	40
Vote for other party (VOL)	2	4	3	3
Depends/Depends on who opponent is (VOL).....	11	16	11	9
Not sure	2	5	5	3

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Q9a What is your preference for the outcome of next year's congressional elections -- (ROTATE:) a Congress controlled by Republicans or a Congress controlled by Democrats?

	<u>6/11+</u>	<u>10/10+</u>	<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>5/20-</u> <u>23/10+</u>	<u>5/6-</u> <u>11/10+</u>	<u>3/10+</u>	<u>1/23-</u> <u>25/10+</u>
Republican-controlled Congress	44	44	44	43	42	45	44	44	42	42
Democrat-controlled Congress.....	44	46	44	43	43	43	43	44	45	44
Not sure.....	12	10	12	14	15	12	13	12	13	14
			<u>1/10-</u> <u>14/10+</u>	<u>12/09+</u>	<u>10/09+</u>	<u>9/09+</u>	<u>7/09+</u>	<u>4/09+</u>	<u>11/08+</u>	<u>10/08+</u>
			41	41	38	40	39	39	36	36
			41	43	46	43	46	48	48	49
			18	16	16	17	15	13	16	15
			<u>9/08+</u>	<u>8/08+</u>	<u>7/08+</u>	<u>6/08+</u>	<u>4/08+</u>	<u>3/08+</u>	<u>11/07+</u>	<u>9/07+</u>
			37	36	36	33	34	35	37	35
			50	47	49	52	49	49	46	47
			13	17	15	15	17	16	17	18
			<u>10/06+</u>	<u>9/06+</u>	<u>7/06+</u>	<u>6/06+</u>	<u>4/06+</u>	<u>3/06+</u>	<u>1/06+</u>	<u>12/05+</u>
			37	39	38	38	39	37	38	38
			52	48	48	49	45	50	47	46
			11	13	14	13	16	13	15	16
			<u>11/05+</u>	<u>10/05+</u>	<u>7/05+</u>	<u>5/05+</u>	<u>10/04+</u>	<u>9/04+</u>	<u>6/04+</u>	<u>5/04+</u>
			37	39	40	40	43	42	42	41
			48	48	45	47	44	46	44	44
			15	13	15	13	13	12	14	15
			<u>3/04+</u>	<u>1/04</u>	<u>12/13/03</u>	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>6/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>
			42	42	42	43	42	43	42	44
			45	43	42	42	42	41	41	40
			13	15	16	15	16	16	17	16
			<u>12/01</u>	<u>12/99</u>	<u>10/99</u>	<u>7/99</u>	<u>6/99</u>	<u>4/99</u>	<u>3/99</u>	<u>10/98+</u>
			42	40	39	39	42	41	37	41
			40	44	41	43	41	40	43	43
			18	16	20	18	17	19	20	16
			<u>9/98</u>	<u>7/98</u>	<u>6/98</u>	<u>2/98</u>	<u>1/98</u>	<u>12/97</u>	<u>9/97</u>	<u>7/97</u>
			40	41	39	41	40	41	41	45
			39	40	40	37	42	37	39	38
			21	19	21	22	18	22	20	18

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Q9b How much confidence do you have in Congress--a great deal, quite a bit, some, very little, or none at all?

	<u>A Great Deal Of Confidence</u>	<u>Quite A Bit Of Confidence</u>	<u>Some Confidence</u>	<u>Very Little Confidence</u>	<u>No Confidence At All</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>
Congress						
June 2011*	3	7	48	32	10	-
May 2005.....	6	12	53	23	5	1
January 2002.....	13	24	44	15	3	1
December 2000.....	10	16	48	18	6	2
June 1998 ¹	10	18	48	20	2	2
February 1997 ⁵	7	14	46	32	NA	1
January 1996 ²	4	10	41	41	3	1
December 1991 ³	7	10	39	43	NA	1
December 1988 ⁴	8	20	41	26	NA	6
October 1986 ⁴	10	31	43	12	1	3
November 1981 ⁴	8	21	41	22	6	3
January 1977 ⁴	12	28	34	17	1	7
June 1975 ⁴	14	26	38	18	1	3

PLEASE NOTE: Comparative data shown does *not* necessarily reflect all of the existing data for an item. It is possible that an institution received higher or lower confidence ratings in a survey that is not shown.

¹ Comparative data comes from Gallup/CNN/USA Today surveys.

² Comparative data comes from a survey conducted by Princeton Survey Research for the Kaiser Foundation, Harvard University, and the *Washington Post*.

³ Comparative data comes from a survey conducted by ABC News.

⁴ Comparative data comes from surveys conducted by Gallup.

⁵ Comparative data comes from a survey conducted by Hart/Teeter for the Council for Excellence in Government.

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

Q9c Do you think the Republican Congress has mostly brought the right kind of change to the country, mostly brought the wrong kind of change, or has not really brought much change either way? **

Has brought right kind of change	13
Has brought wrong kind of change	23
Has not brought much change either way	60
Not sure	4

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

April 2007		
Do you think the Democratic Congress has mostly brought the right kind of change to the country , mostly brought the wrong kind of change, or has not really brought much change either way?		
	<u>4/07</u>	<u>1/07¹</u>
Has brought right kind of change	20	42
Has brought wrong kind of change	15	15
Has not brought much change either way	60	39
Not sure	5	4
¹ In January 2007, the question was phrased, "Do you think the Democratic Congress will mostly bring the right kind of change to the country"		

Q10 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.....	19
Not very strong Democrat.....	13
Independent/lean Democrat.....	10
Strictly Independent.....	14
Independent/lean Republican.....	10
Not very strong Republican.....	11
Strong Republican.....	13
Other (VOL).....	8
Not sure.....	2

Q11 If there were a presidential primary election in your state, would you vote in the Republican primary, the Democratic primary, or would you wait to vote in the general election?

	<u>6/11+</u>	<u>4/11+</u>
Vote in the Republican primary.....	29	28
Vote in the Democratic primary.....	32	31
Wait until the general election.....	34	36
Neither/other (VOL).....	2	2
Not sure.....	3	3

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters

(ASK ONLY OF REG VOTERS (F1a:1) WHO SAY THEY WOULD VOTE IN THE REPUBLICAN PRIMARY Q11:1)

Q12a Let me read you a list of people who might seek the 2012 Republican nomination for president. If you were voting today in the 2012 Republican primary for president, which **one** of the following candidates would you favor? (READ LIST. RANDOMIZE. IF "NOT SURE," ASK:) Well, which way do you lean? (ACCEPT ONLY ONE ANSWER.)^

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	<u>6/11</u> [^]
Mitt Romney	30
Sarah Palin	14
Herman Cain.....	12
Rick Perry	8
Ron Paul	7
Newt Gingrich	6
Tim Pawlenty	4
Rick Santorum	4
Michele Bachmann	3
Jon Huntsman.....	1
Other (VOL)	1
None (VOL)	2
Not sure	8

^ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters who say they would vote in the Republican Primary

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED

APRIL 2011[^]	
GOP PRIMARY FIELD	
Mitt Romney	21
Mike Huckabee	17
Donald Trump	17
Newt Gingrich	11
Sarah Palin	10
Tim Pawlenty	6
Michele Bachmann	5
Rick Santorum	3
Haley Barbour	1
Other (VOL)	1
None (VOL)	4
Not sure	4

^ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters who say they would vote in the Republican Primary

(ASK ONLY OF REG VOTERS (F1a:1) WHO SAY THEY WOULD VOTE IN THE REPUBLICAN PRIMARY Q11:1)

Q12b Now, let me read you a slightly shorter list of people who might seek the 2012 Republican nomination for president. If you were voting today in the 2012 Republican primary for president, which **one** of the following candidates would you favor? (READ LIST. RANDOMIZE. IF "NOT SURE," ASK:) Well, which way do you lean? (ACCEPT ONLY ONE ANSWER.)^

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	6/11^
Mitt Romney	43
Ron Paul	11
Michele Bachmann	11
Rick Santorum	9
Newt Gingrich	8
Tim Pawlenty	7
Other (VOL)	-
None (VOL)	3
Not sure	8

^ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters who say they would vote in the Republican Primary

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED

APRIL 2011^ GOP PRIMARY FIELD (Short List)	
Mitt Romney	40
Newt Gingrich	20
Tim Pawlenty	12
Michele Bachmann	11
Haley Barbour	3
Other (VOL)	1
None (VOL)	6
Not sure	7

^ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters who say they would vote in the Republican Primary

(ASK ONLY OF REG VOTERS (F1a:1) WHO SAY THEY WOULD VOTE IN THE REPUBLICAN PRIMARY Q11:1)

Q13 Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the choices for the Republican presidential nomination?^

	6/11^	1/08	7/07 ¹	6/07	4/07	3/07	3/96 ²
Satisfied.....	45	57	65	73	53	56	68
Dissatisfied	45	34	27	18	33	26	31
Not sure.....	10	9	8	9	14	18	1

¹In June and July 2007, the question was phrased, "If this was the final group of candidates running for the Republican nomination, would you be satisfied or dissatisfied with the choices for the Republican presidential nomination?"

²In March 1996, the question was phrased, "How satisfied are you with the present field of announced Republican candidates for president--very satisfied, fairly satisfied, just somewhat satisfied, or not that satisfied?"

^ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters who say they would vote in the Republican Primary

(ASK ONLY OF REG VOTERS (F1a:1) WHO SAY THEY WOULD VOTE IN THE REPUBLICAN PRIMARY Q11:1)

Q14 Using a scale from one to five, please tell me how important the candidates' positions on **[READ ITEM]** are when it comes to deciding how you will vote in the 2012 Republican primary for president. On this scale, a "5" means that the candidates' positions on that issue are critical to deciding your vote, and a "1" means that the candidates' positions on that issue are not at all important in your decision. For each issue you may use any number from one to five, depending on how important it is in your decision. (ROTATE)^

	Critical to deciding Rating			Not at all Important Rating		Cannot Rate
	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	
Issues like the right to life and protecting children from immoral influences in our culture	50	17	16	8	8	1
Issues like limiting the role of the federal government and reducing the national debt	77	13	5	2	2	1

^ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters who say they would vote in the Republican Primary

(ROTATE Q15a-Q15b)

Q15a And, if the next election for president were held today, and (ROTATE) Tim Pawlenty were the Republican candidate and Barack Obama were the Democratic candidate, for whom would you vote?+

	<u>6/11+</u>	<u>2/11+</u>
Tim Pawlenty.....	37	31
Barack Obama	50	50
Depends (VOL)	2	3
Neither/other (VOL)	3	6
Not sure.....	8	10

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Q15b And, if the next election for president were held today, and (ROTATE) Mitt Romney were the Republican candidate and Barack Obama were the Democratic candidate, for whom would you vote?+

	<u>6/11+</u>	<u>2/11+</u>	<u>12/10</u>	<u>1/08</u>	<u>11/07</u>	<u>9/07</u>
Mitt Romney.....	43	40	40	35	36	34
Barack Obama	49	49	47	48	48	51
Depends (VOL).....	1	-	1	2	1	1
Neither/other (VOL).....	3	6	6	7	6	7
Not sure	4	5	6	8	9	7

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Q16 How confident are you that (READ ITEM) has the skills and ability necessary to be president--extremely confident, quite confident, only somewhat confident, or not at all confident? (RANDOMIZE)

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY EXTREMELY OR QUITE CONFIDENT

	<u>Extremely Confident</u>	<u>Quite Confident</u>	<u>Only Somewhat Confident</u>	<u>Not At All Confident</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>
Mitt Romney	9	15	43	22	11
Newt Gingrich.....	4	9	33	45	9
Sarah Palin.....	5	7	25	60	3
Tim Pawlenty.....	3	8	33	24	32
Michele Bachmann.....	3	6	23	37	31
Rick Santorum.....	2	5	23	30	40

SEPTEMBER 2007					
PRESIDENTIAL FIELD					
<i>THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY EXTREMELY OR QUITE CONFIDENT</i>					
	<u>Extremely Confident</u>	<u>Quite Confident</u>	<u>Only Somewhat Confident</u>	<u>Not At All Confident</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>
Hillary Clinton	27	19	22	30	2
Rudy Giuliani.....	14	22	36	22	6
Barack Obama	13	19	38	23	7
John McCain	11	20	39	22	8
John Edwards	11	20	38	24	7
Fred Thompson.....	10	13	33	25	19
Mitt Romney	6	12	37	25	20
Bill Richardson	4	9	34	23	30

Q17 I'm going to read you some positions that someone running for President could take. For each one, please tell me whether you would be more likely to vote for a candidate for President who takes this position, less likely to vote for this candidate, or would it not make a difference to you either way? (RANDOMIZE)

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY MORE LIKELY TO VOTE

	<u>More Likely To Vote</u>	<u>Less Likely To Vote</u>	<u>No Difference Either Way</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>
Supports a federal requirement for companies to reduce greenhouse gases**	54	17	27	2
Supports repealing the health care reform law**	47	35	14	4
Favors allowing undocumented immigrants who are already in the country to stay here if they pay a fine, learn English, and go to the back of the line behind legal immigrants in the application process to become an American citizen.*	47	32	18	3
Voted for the health care reform law*.....	44	40	14	2
Favors making abortion illegal, except in cases of rape, incest, or when the health of the mother is at risk**	39	43	18	-
Supports changing to Medicare for those under 55 to a system where people choose their insurance from a list of private health plans and the government pays a fixed amount, sometimes called a voucher, towards that cost**	38	37	18	7
Supports instituting an individual mandate requiring nearly all Americans to either have or purchase health insurance**	31	50	17	2
Favors adding an amendment to the Constitution that bans gay marriages*	24	45	29	2
Supports phasing out Social Security and instead supports allowing workers to invest their Social Security contributions in the stock market*	23	55	18	4

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

Q18 If you learned that Mitt Romney opposes the current health care law signed into law by Barack Obama that institutes requiring nearly all Americans to either have or purchase health insurance, but as governor supported and signed into law a bill that had similar requirements for Massachusetts---would this make you more favorable about him, less favorable about him or would it not make a difference in your opinion of him one way or the other?

More favorable	13
Less favorable	35
No difference	50
Not sure.....	2

Moving on...

Q19a Which party do you think is more influenced by special interests and lobbyists—the Democratic Party or the Republican Party?

	<u>6/11*</u>	<u>6/06</u>	<u>1/06</u>	<u>1/01</u>	<u>6/98</u>	<u>9/97</u>	<u>7/97</u>
Democratic Party.....	28	21	22	26	28	30	32
Republican Party.....	36	33	36	27	30	29	29
Both equally (VOL).....	26	38	33	35	28	30	28
Not sure.....	10	8	9	12	14	11	11
			<u>4/97</u>	<u>3/97</u>	<u>1/97</u>	<u>11/96+</u>	<u>1/93</u>
			30	33	27	32	32
			30	30	28	29	34
			30	28	36	28	23
			10	9	9	11	11

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).
+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Q19b Which party do you think is more influenced by special interests and lobbyists—the Democratic Party, the Republican Party, are they both equally influenced, or do you think neither party is influenced by special interests and lobbyists?*

Democratic Party.....	9
Republican Party.....	17
Both equally	64
Neither	6
Not sure	4

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

Now turning to the economy...

Q20 During the next twelve months, do you think that the nation's economy will get better, get worse, or stay about the same?

	<u>6/11</u>	<u>4/11</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<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>
Economy will get better	29	33	29	40	32	37	37	32	26	34
Economy will get worse	30	21	29	17	24	15	20	24	26	25
Economy will stay about the same ..	39	46	41	42	42	46	41	41	45	39
Not sure	2	-	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	2
			<u>6/10</u>	5/6- <u>10/10</u>	<u>3/10</u>	1/10- <u>14/10</u>	<u>10/09</u>	<u>9/09</u>	<u>7/09</u>	<u>6/09</u>
			33	40	41	41	42	47	44	46
			23	20	22	19	22	20	21	22
			43	38	36	38	33	30	32	29
			1	2	1	2	3	3	3	3
		<u>4/09</u>	<u>12/08</u>	<u>10/08+</u>	<u>7/08+</u>	<u>6/08+</u>	<u>4/08+</u>	<u>3/07</u>	<u>1/07</u>	
		38	36	38	25	21	19	16	21	
		30	28	20	43	49	45	31	16	
		30	34	37	28	27	29	49	60	
		2	2	5	4	3	7	4	3	
	9- <u>10/06+</u>	<u>6/06</u>	<u>4/06</u>	<u>3/06</u>	<u>1/06</u>	<u>12/05</u>	<u>5/05</u>	<u>1/05</u>	<u>10/04+</u>	
	22	16	17	24	24	26	28	43	43	
	22	39	44	27	30	34	30	17	10	
	51	43	36	46	42	37	36	36	33	
	5	2	3	3	4	3	6	4	14	
	<u>9/04+</u>	<u>5/04+</u>	<u>3/04+</u>	<u>1/04</u>	<u>11/03</u>	<u>9/03</u>	<u>7/03</u>	<u>5/03+</u>	<u>1/03</u>	
	43	42	44	50	49	44	45	49	35	
	13	16	18	10	15	19	16	17	25	
	33	34	35	37	33	33	34	31	37	
	11	8	3	3	3	4	4	3	3	
	<u>12/02</u>	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>4/02</u>	<u>12/01</u>	<u>4/01</u> ¹	<u>3/01</u>	<u>10/98+</u>	
	40	41	39	41	50	50	36	28	17	
	20	20	18	20	13	15	25	29	24	
	35	34	39	37	32	32	34	37	54	
	5	5	4	2	5	3	5	6	5	
	<u>9/98</u>	<u>4/97</u>	<u>1/96</u>	<u>7/95</u>	<u>4/95</u>	<u>12/94</u>	<u>10/94</u>	<u>9/94</u>	<u>6/94</u>	
	19	19	21	20	24	31	31	28	28	
	22	22	21	21	23	17	24	24	17	
	53	57	52	54	50	46	40	44	52	
	6	2	6	5	3	6	5	4	3	
	<u>5/94</u>	<u>3/94</u>	<u>1/94</u>	<u>10/93</u>	<u>9/93</u>	<u>7/93</u>	<u>6/93</u>	<u>4/93</u>	<u>3/93</u>	
	27	29	44	21	23	20	23	33	39	
	21	16	16	27	24	29	27	21	15	
	49	52	36	50	51	48	47	44	43	
	3	3	4	2	2	3	3	2	3	

¹ Prior to April 2001, the question was phrased, "Over the past year..."

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Q21 Just thinking about your own personal economic situation, do you feel that over the past twelve months things have gotten better, worse, or stayed about the same?

	<u>6/11</u>	<u>4/11</u>	<u>9/30- 10/2/06+</u>	<u>7/06</u>
Things have gotten better	18	21	24	22
Things have gotten worse	35	31	28	36
Things have stayed about the same	47	48	48	41
Not sure	-	-	-	1

Q22 Do you think the economic stimulus legislation that was passed in 2009 is already helping improve the economy, will help improve the economy in the future, or will it not help improve the economy? If you do not have an opinion either way, please just say so.

	<u>6/11</u>	<u>5/10²</u>	<u>9/09¹</u>	<u>7/09¹</u>
Already helping improve the economy.....	19	18	20	16
Will help improve the economy in the future.....	15	20	27	32
Will not help improve the economy.....	45	42	38	38
Do not have an opinion either way	19	18	12	13
Not sure.....	2	2	3	1

² In May 2010, the question read "Do you think last year's economic stimulus legislation is already helping improve the economy, will help improve the economy in the future, or will it not help improve the economy? If you do not have an opinion either way, please just say so."

¹ In September and July 2009, the question read "Do you think that the economic stimulus legislation is beginning to help improve the economy, will help improve the economy in the future, or will it not help improve the economy? If you do not have an opinion either way, please just say so."

(ROTATE Q23A-B)

Q23a How responsible is **President Obama** and his administration's policies for the country's current economic conditions?

	<u>6/11*</u>	<u>10/10+</u>	<u>6/10</u>
Solely responsible	10	10	7
Mainly responsible	24	25	20
Only somewhat responsible	48	43	51
Not really responsible.....	16	21	21
Not sure.....	2	1	1

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

Q23b How responsible is **former President George W. Bush** and his administration's policies for the country's current economic conditions?

	<u>6/11*</u>	<u>10/10+</u>	<u>6/10</u>
Solely responsible	14	14	12
Mainly responsible	33	27	28
Only somewhat responsible	43	47	46
Not really responsible.....	9	10	14
Not sure.....	1	2	-

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

Q24 When you think about the current economic conditions, do you feel that this is a situation that Barack Obama has inherited or is this a situation his policies are mostly responsible for?

	6/11**	12/10	9/10	1/10- 14/10	10/09	6/09	2/09
Situation Obama inherited	62	65	56	65	63	72	84
Situation Obama's policies mostly responsible for.....	25	21	32	17	20	14	8
Some of both (VOL).....	10	12	10	16	15	10	6
Not sure.....	3	2	2	2	2	4	2

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

Q25 Which of the following two statements comes closer to your point of view? (ROTATE STATEMENTS)

Statement A: The president and the Congress should worry more about boosting the economy even though it may mean larger budget deficits now and in the future.

Statement B: The president and the Congress should worry more about keeping the budget deficit down, even though it may mean it will take longer for the economy to recover.

	6/11*	6/10	10/09	9/09	6/09
Statement A /Worry more about boosting the economy	31	34	31	30	35
Statement B /Worry more about keeping budget deficit down	63	63	62	62	58
Depends (VOL).....	1	-	3	4	2
Not sure	5	3	4	4	5

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

Q26 Thinking about the country's economic recession, do you think the worst is behind us or the worst is ahead of us?

	6/11*	11/10	8/26- 30/10
Worst is behind us	52	60	45
Worst is ahead of us	41	35	45
Somewhere in between (VOL).....	3	2	4
Not sure	4	3	6

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

RECESSION TREND					
Do you think the worst of the recession is over or is yet to come?					
	9/19- 22/08+^	4/02	1/02	12/91+	9/91
Worst is over.....	15	59	47	28	43
Worst is yet to come	75	33	41	62	49
Not sure	10	8	12	10	8

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.
^ Asked of only the 77% of respondents who say "Yes, in a recession" on previous question

Q27 Over the next few months, do you think the U.S. economy is headed into another recession, where unemployment rises again, housing prices decline again, and there is no economic growth, or do you think this will not happen?*

Headed into another recession.....	44
Will not happen.....	42
Depends/too soon to tell (VOL)	8
Not sure	6

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

Now, thinking about something a bit different...

Q28 Looking at how it has worked out today, do you think the decision for the government to provide loans and financial assistance to Chrysler and GM was a good decision, a bad decision, or is it too early to tell?

	<u>6/11*</u>	<u>8/26-30/10</u>
Good decision	31	28
Bad decision	32	33
Too early to tell	34	38
Not sure	3	1

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

Q29 If federal government spending is cut, do you think this will (ROTATE:) help the economic recovery, hurt the economic recovery, or not affect the economic recovery either way?*

Help recovery	37
Hurt recovery	31
Not affect	23
Not sure.....	9

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

Q30 Here are a number of events that have happened in the past several months. For each one, please tell me how much this has affected you personally since the beginning of this year--a great deal, quite a bit, just some, or not at all.

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY A GREAT DEAL OR QUITE A BIT

	<u>A</u> <u>Great Deal</u>	<u>Quite</u> <u>a Bit</u>	<u>Just</u> <u>Some</u>	<u>Not</u> <u>At All</u>	<u>Not</u> <u>Sure</u>
The increase in gas prices*	45	24	24	7	-
The increase in food prices**	31	24	34	11	-
The decrease in home values*.....	20	15	24	40	1
The increase in the unemployment rate**	16	12	18	54	-
The increase in the number of home foreclosures**	12	10	16	62	-

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

Now, talking a moment about something called the federal debt ceiling...

Q31 The federal debt ceiling acts as a check and limit on the country's overall liabilities, including the federal deficit and other debts. When the U.S. Treasury needs to issue debt above the ceiling in order to avoid going into bankruptcy and defaulting on its obligations, Congress needs to vote to raise the ceiling. Congress is again currently considering whether and how much to extend the debt ceiling. Do you think Congress should or should not raise the debt ceiling? If you don't know enough to have an opinion, please just say so.

Should raise debt ceiling	28
Should not raise debt ceiling	39
Don't know enough	31
Not sure	2

APRIL 2011

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Should raise debt ceiling	16
Should not raise debt ceiling	46
Don't know enough	38
Not sure	-

And, thinking some more about the debt ceiling...

Q32 Now, I'm going to read you two statements about the debt ceiling and please tell me which comes closer to your point of view. (ROTATE)*

(Some/other) people say do not raise the debt ceiling because doing so will make it easier to increase spending and harder to reduce the deficit, and will increase the debt held by other countries and passed on to the next generation.

...while....

(Other/some) people say raise the debt ceiling because failing to do so could stop the government from meeting its obligations, including payments to those on Social Security and in the military, and cause a shock to the economy. Efforts to control debt should be comprehensive and long-term rather than artificial and short-term.

Do not raise debt ceiling.....	42
Raise debt ceiling.....	46
Mixed/Some of both (VOL).....	4
Not sure.....	8

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

APRIL 2011	
Now, I'm going to read you two statements about the debt ceiling and please tell me which comes closer to your point of view.	
(Some/other) people say do not raise the debt ceiling because doing so will make it harder to get the government's financial house in order, will increase the U.S. debt that is held by other countries, and will increase the debt that will be passed on to the next generation. ...while....	
(Other/some) people say raise the debt ceiling because otherwise the government will be unable to pay the nation's bills, including making payments to people who participate in various government programs, government workers cannot be paid, and the government will default on its current debt payments.	
Do not raise debt ceiling.....	62
Raise debt ceiling.....	32
Mixed/Some of both (VOL).....	1
Not sure	5

Now switching topics and thinking about Medicare, the federal government health care program for seniors...

Q33 Do you feel that Medicare needs a complete overhaul, that it needs major changes, that it needs minor modifications, or do you think it is pretty much okay the way it is?

	<u>6/11</u>	<u>4/11</u>
Complete overhaul	15	16
Major changes.....	28	28
Minor modifications	37	38
Pretty much OK the way it is	15	15
Not sure.....	5	3

Q34 There is currently a proposal to change how Medicare would work so seniors being enrolled in the program ten years from now would be given a guaranteed payment called a voucher from the federal government to purchase a Medicare approved coverage plan from a private health insurance company. Do you think this is a good idea, a bad idea, or do you not know enough about this to have an opinion at this time?

	<u>6/11</u>	<u>4/11</u>
Good idea	22	21
Bad idea.....	31	22
No opinion.....	45	56
Not sure	2	1

Now, thinking some more about this...

Q35 Which of the following statements do you agree with more? (ROTATE)

Supporters of this proposal say the current Medicare system is financially unsustainable and this proposal will give seniors more health care choices while reducing costs by promoting greater competition in the health care system.

...or...

Opponents of this proposal say the current Medicare system provides health insurance to seniors with much lower administrative costs and this proposal will result in less coverage and more out of pocket costs for seniors.

	<u>6/11**</u>	<u>4/11</u>
Supporters.....	37	48
Opponents.....	38	35
Mixed/Some of both (VOL)	9	2
Not sure	16	15

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

And, thinking about something else for a moment...

Q36 The President has announced that he plans to begin reducing American troop levels in Afghanistan in July 2011. Which of these statements comes closest to your point of view on this? (ROTATE TOP-TO-BOTTOM, BOTTOM-TO-TOP)

Statement A: The troops should be removed now.

Statement B: The troops should be removed on the timetable of July 2011.

Statement C: The troops should be removed depending upon the military conditions in July 2011.

Statement D: The troops should only be removed after the Afghan government has stabilized and the Taliban has been defeated.

	<u>6/11</u>	<u>1/11</u>	<u>8/26-30/10¹</u>
A/Removed now	23	23	18
B/Removed on this timetable	24	21	16
C/Removed depending on military conditions	37	34	37
D/Removed after gov't stabilized and Taliban defeated.....	15	21	25
Not sure	1	1	4

¹ In August 2010, the statement read "...depending upon the military conditions in 2011"

Q37 Do you think the death of Osama bin Laden will (ROTATE) make it easier, make it harder, or not affect the United States' ability to win the global war on terror?

	<u>6/11**</u>	<u>5/11</u>
Easier to win the global war on terror.....	32	39
Harder to win the global war on terror	16	15
Not affect ability to win the global war on terror	47	38
Depends/Not sure (VOL).....	5	8

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

Do you think Saddam Hussein's capture will make it easier, make it harder, or not affect the United States' ability to win the global war on terror?		
	<u>1/04</u>	<u>12/03</u>
Easier to win the global war on terror	48	57
Harder to win the global war on terror	8	4
Not affect ability to win the global war on terror....	40	34
Depends/Not sure (VOL)	4	5

Next, the situation in Libya...

Q38 Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling the situation in Libya?

	<u>6/11</u>	<u>4/11</u>	<u>2/11</u>
Approve	46	54	48
Disapprove	36	40	26
Not sure	18	6	26

Q39 Do you think United States should or should not remain engaged in the military operations conducted by NATO in Libya until President Muammar Gaddafi has been removed from power?*

U.S. should remain engaged.....	51
U.S. should NOT remain engaged	36
Not sure.....	13

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

And, thinking about you...

Q40 From which ONE of the following television news sources do you get MOST of your information about politics and current events? If you do not watch any of these, please just say so. (READ LIST. ACCEPT ONLY ONE RESPONSE.)

Broadcast network news, such as NBC, ABC, or CBS.....	35
The cable channel CNN	17
The cable channel MSNBC	8
The cable channel Fox News	22
None of these (VOL)	16
Not sure.....	2

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.....	84
Not registered.....	16
Not sure.....	-

F1b/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.....	42
Voted for John McCain.....	32
Voted for someone else.....	5
Not sure.....	3
No, Did Not Vote	
Not sure.....	-

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?

<u>Currently Employed</u>	
Professional, manager.....	28
White-collar worker.....	14
Blue-collar worker.....	16
Farmer, rancher.....	-
<u>Not Currently Employed</u>	
Student.....	4
Homemaker.....	6
Retired.....	21
Unemployed, looking for work.....	9
Other.....	-
Not sure.....	2

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

Grade school.....	1
Some high school.....	5
High school graduate	24
Some college, no degree	18
Vocational training/2-year college	11
4-year college/bachelor's degree	23
Some postgraduate work, no degree	3
2-3 years postgraduate work/master's degree	11
Doctoral/law degree	4
Not sure/refused.....	-

Now, thinking about something else...

QF4a Do you consider yourself a supporter of the Tea Party Movement?+

	<u>6/11+</u>	<u>5/11+</u>	<u>4/11+</u>	<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>
Yes	26	26	25	29	27	29	30	28	30	28
No	63	62	67	61	62	61	59	61	59	61
Depends (VOL)	3	2	3	3	3	3	4	3	2	3
Not sure	8	10	5	7	8	7	7	8	10	8

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters

ASK ONLY RESPONDENTS WHO SUPPORT THE TEA PARTY (QF4a:1) AND ARE REPUBLICAN (Q10:5-7).

QF4b Which better describes you, (ROTATE:) a supporter of the Tea Party Movement or a Republican?+

	<u>6/11+</u>	
	<u>All Reg Voters</u>	<u>GOP and Tea Party Supporters</u>
Supporter of the Tea Party Movement.....	7	40
Republican	8	45
Both (VOL)	2	10
Not sure	1	5
Not Republican and Tea Party Supporters.....	82	n/a

+ 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	7
Somewhat liberal.....	15
Moderate	37
Somewhat conservative	24
Very conservative.....	15
Not sure.....	2

QF6a What is your religion?

Protestant (includes Baptist, Lutheran, Methodist, Episcopal, Presbyterian, and other Christians)	45
Catholic	25
Jewish	2
Muslim	1
Mormon/LDS/Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.....	1
Other	17
None.....	8
Not sure/refused.....	1

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY PROTESTANT, OTHER, NONE, OR NOT SURE IN QF6a.)

QF6b Would you describe yourself as either a fundamentalist or an evangelical Christian, or would you not describe yourself that way?

Fundamentalist/evangelical	14
Neither fundamentalist nor evangelical	53
Not sure	4
Catholic/Jewish/Muslim/Mormon (QF6a).....	29

QF7a Are you a current or retired labor union member? (ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY "NO" OR "NOT SURE" IN QF7a.) Is anyone else in your household a current or retired labor union member?

Labor union member.....	14
Union household.....	7
Non-union household.....	78
Not sure	1

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	5
Between \$10,000 and \$20,000	8
Between \$20,000 and \$30,000	8
Between \$30,000 and \$40,000	9
Between \$40,000 and \$50,000	10
Between \$50,000 and \$75,000	18
Between \$75,000 and \$100,000	14
More than \$100,000.....	20
Not sure/refused	8