



THE AP-GfK POLL

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

Interview dates: August 11 – 16, 2010

Number of interviews: 1,007

Margin of error for the total sample: +/- 4.5 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.

All results shown are percentages unless otherwise labeled.

IRX1. Do you favor or oppose the war in Iraq?
 [FOR EACH "FAVOR," ASK:] Is that strongly favor or somewhat favor?
 [FOR EACH "OPPOSE," ASK:] Is that strongly oppose or somewhat oppose?

| | 8/11-16/10 | 3/3-8/10 | 1/12-17/10 | 12/10-14/09 | 11/5-9/09 | 10/1-5/09 | 7/16-20/09 |
|---------------------|------------|-----------|------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| Total favor | 31 | 35 | 34 | 31 | 30 | 33 | 34 |
| Strongly favor | 13 | 10 | 12 | 10 | 11 | 14 | 15 |
| Somewhat favor | 19 | 24 | 22 | 21 | 19 | 20 | 19 |
| Total oppose | 65 | 62 | 63 | 65 | 67 | 64 | 63 |
| Somewhat oppose | 23 | 22 | 25 | 25 | 21 | 20 | 21 |
| Strongly oppose | 42 | 40 | 38 | 40 | 46 | 44 | 43 |
| Don't know | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Refused | 1 | 1 | * | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

Based on: *N=1,007* *N=1,002* *N=1,008* *N=1,001* *N=1,006* *N=1,003* *N=1,006*

- IRX. Do you approve, disapprove or neither approve nor disapprove of Barack Obama's decision to end the combat role of U.S. troops and remove most but not all U.S. troops from Iraq by August 31, 2010?
 [FOR EACH "APPROVE," ASK:] Is that strongly approve or somewhat approve?
 [FOR EACH "DISAPPROVE," ASK:] Is that strongly disapprove or somewhat disapprove?
- IRXb. [IF DK OR REFUSED IN IRX, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of Barack Obama's decision to end the combat role of U.S. troops and remove most but not all U.S. troops from Iraq by August 31, 2010?

| | 8/11-16/10 | 3/3-8/10 | 1/12-17/10 | 4/16-20/09 |
|--------------------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|
| Total approve | 68 | 69 | 72 | 74 |
| Strongly approve | 41 | 46 | 45 | 50 |
| Somewhat approve | 27 | 23 | 26 | 23 |
| Lean approve | * | * | 1 | * |
| Neither—don't lean [VOL] | 5 | 1 | * | 5 |
| Total disapprove | 27 | 24 | 23 | 21 |
| Lean disapprove | * | * | - | - |
| Somewhat disapprove | 10 | 10 | 8 | 10 |
| Strongly disapprove | 17 | 15 | 15 | 11 |
| Don't know | * | 1 | 1 | - |
| Refused | * | * | * | - |

Based on: N=1,007 N=1,002 N=1,008 N=1,000

- IRX2. Do you think the pace of the planned withdrawal of troops from Iraq is...

| | 8/11-16/10 | 3/3-8/10 | 1/12-17/10 | 4/16-20/09 |
|--------------------------|------------|----------|------------|------------|
| Too fast | 26 | 21 | 20 | 19 |
| Too slow | 23 | 22 | 19 | 24 |
| About right | 48 | 54 | 56 | 54 |
| Don't know [DO NOT READ] | 3 | 4 | 4 | 3 |
| Refused [DO NOT READ] | * | * | 1 | * |

Based on: N=1,007 N=1,002 N=1,008 N=970

AFX2. Do you favor or oppose the war in Afghanistan?
 [FOR EACH "FAVOR," ASK:] Is that strongly favor or somewhat favor?
 [FOR EACH "OPPOSE," ASK:] Is that strongly oppose or somewhat oppose?

| | 8/11-16/10 | 3/3-8/10 | 1/12-17/10 | 12/10-14/09 | 11/5-9/09 | 10/1-5/09 | 7/16-20/09 |
|---------------------|------------|-----------|------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| Total favor | 38 | 46 | 43 | 39 | 39 | 40 | 44 |
| Strongly favor | 17 | 19 | 18 | 16 | 15 | 19 | 20 |
| Somewhat favor | 22 | 27 | 25 | 24 | 24 | 20 | 24 |
| Total oppose | 58 | 50 | 54 | 57 | 57 | 57 | 53 |
| Somewhat oppose | 23 | 20 | 22 | 23 | 20 | 23 | 19 |
| Strongly oppose | 35 | 30 | 32 | 34 | 37 | 35 | 34 |
| Don't know | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 |
| Refused | 1 | 1 | * | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

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

AFX5. Over the next year, do you expect the situation in Afghanistan to [RANDOMIZE: get better/get worse] or stay about the same?

| | 8/11/10-8/16/10 | 12/10/09-12/14/09 |
|---------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Get better | 19 | 31 |
| Get worse | 29 | 23 |
| Stay about the same | 49 | 44 |
| Don't know (VOL.) | 3 | 2 |
| Refused (VOL.) | - | * |

Based on: N=1,007 N=975

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?

| | 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 | 4/16-20/09 | 2/12-17/09 | 1/9-14/09 | 12/3-8/08 | 11/6-10/08 |
|--------------------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| Total Democrat | 43 | 46 | 45 | 41 | 45 | 44 | 37 | 43 | 43 | 39 | 44 | 46 | 46 | 46 | 47 | 44 | 48 |
| Democrat – strong | 14 | 15 | 15 | 14 | 15 | 14 | 12 | 18 | 17 | 14 | 14 | 20 | 16 | 18 | 19 | 17 | 21 |
| Democrat – moderate | 18 | 19 | 20 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 16 | 17 | 16 | 16 | 20 | 15 | 20 | 20 | 18 | 19 | 19 |
| Independent – lean Democratic | 12 | 12 | 10 | 9 | 12 | 12 | 9 | 8 | 10 | 9 | 9 | 11 | 10 | 9 | 9 | 8 | 8 |
| None – lean Democratic | * | - | * | - | * | - | * | * | * | - | * | * | * | * | 1 | 1 | - |
| Total Republican | 39 | 35 | 39 | 40 | 34 | 33 | 32 | 31 | 32 | 33 | 33 | 32 | 28 | 30 | 27 | 33 | 34 |
| Republican – strong | 11 | 9 | 10 | 14 | 11 | 9 | 9 | 11 | 10 | 9 | 11 | 11 | 9 | 9 | 8 | 13 | 13 |
| Republican – moderate | 14 | 15 | 16 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 13 | 10 | 11 | 11 | 12 | 12 | 9 | 13 | 12 | 13 | 11 |
| Independent – lean Republican | 14 | 11 | 13 | 14 | 12 | 12 | 11 | 10 | 11 | 13 | 10 | 9 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 10 |
| None – lean Republican | - | * | * | - | * | - | - | * | * | - | * | * | * | * | 1 | * | - |
| [VOL] Independent – don't lean | 5 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 8 | 5 | 5 | 7 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 5 |
| [VOL] None – don't lean | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| [VOL] Other | * | * | * | * | 1 | 1 | * | * | * | * | 1 | * | * | * | * | * | - |
| Don't know | 14 | 15 | 14 | 15 | 15 | 18 | 24 | 19 | 21 | 19 | 18 | 17 | 19 | 17 | 18 | 15 | 14 |
| Refused | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |

Based on:

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

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?

| | 8/11-16/10 | 6/9-14/10 | 5/7-11/10 | 4/7/10-12/10 | 10/16-20/08 | | 9/27-30/08 |
|-------------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|--------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|
| | Total | Total | Total | Total | Total | Likely Voters | Likely Voters |
| Liberal - strongly | 10 | 11 | 8 | 6 | 9 | 11 | 10 |
| Liberal - somewhat | 15 | 11 | 15 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 11 |
| Conservative - strongly | 20 | 21 | 21 | 21 | 18 | 20 | 24 |
| Conservative - somewhat | 21 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 21 | 18 | 14 |
| Moderate | 33 | 32 | 31 | 32 | 35 | 35 | 39 |
| Don't know | 2 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Refused | * | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | * | -- |

Based on: *N=1,007* *N=1,044* *N=1,002* *N=1,001* *N=1,001* *N=800* *N=808*

EM1. Are you, yourself, currently employed... [READ LIST. RECORD ONLY ONE RESPONSE]

| | 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 | 7/16/-20/09 | 5/28-1/09 |
|--------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|------------|-------------|----------|-----------|----------|-------------|-----------|
| Full-time | 46 | 47 | 48 | 49 | 45 | 43 | 44 | 46 | 44 | 44 | 47 | 50 |
| Part-time | 16 | 11 | 13 | 11 | 14 | 13 | 15 | 11 | 10 | 12 | 13 | 13 |
| Not employed | 38 | 42 | 39 | 39 | 41 | 44 | 41 | 42 | 45 | 42 | 39 | 37 |
| Don't know | * | * | * | - | * | - | * | * | * | - | 1 | * |
| Refused | * | * | - | * | * | * | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

Based on: 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

EM2. [IF "NOT EMPLOYED" IN EM1, ASK:] Are you... [READ LIST. RECORD ONLY ONE RESPONSE]

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

Based on: N=400 N=472 N=416 N=415 N=420 N=420 N=423 N=404 N=451 N=438 N=415 N=402

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

| | 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 | 4/16-20/09 | 2/12-17/09 |
|--|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|----------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|
| Yes (self lost job) | 6 | 7 | 8 | 6 | 8 | 7 | 9 | 9 | 8 | 5 | 8 | 7 | 8 | 10 |
| Yes (someone in family) | 25 | 29 | 21 | 23 | 23 | 28 | 22 | 21 | 20 | 26 | 21 | 21 | 25 | 25 |
| No | 67 | 61 | 69 | 69 | 67 | 63 | 66 | 66 | 70 | 65 | 65 | 70 | 62 | 65 |
| Both (self and family member) [VOL] | 2 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 4 | 1 |
| Don't know | * | * | * | - | * | - | * | - | * | * | 1 | 1 | * | * |
| Refused | * | - | - | * | * | - | * | * | * | 1 | 1 | * | * | - |

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

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

| | 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 | 4/16-20/09 | 2/12-17/09 |
|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|----------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|
| Yes | 65 | 70 | 63 | 64 | 64 | 71 | 69 | 66 | 65 | 66 | 64 | 60 | 67 | 65 |
| No | 35 | 29 | 36 | 36 | 35 | 29 | 30 | 34 | 34 | 32 | 34 | 39 | 33 | 35 |
| Don't know | * | 1 | * | * | 1 | 1 | * | * | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Refused | * | - | - | * | - | - | * | - | * | 1 | 1 | - | - | - |

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

[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 | 2 |
| Divorced | 10 |
| Widowed | 6 |
| Never Married | 21 |
| Don't know [VOL] | * |
| Refused [VOL] | 1 |

Based on:

N=1,007

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

| | |
|--------------------------------|----|
| Less than high school graduate | 6 |
| High school graduate | 37 |
| Technical/trade school | 4 |
| Some college | 25 |
| College graduate | 13 |
| Some graduate school | 3 |
| Graduate degree | 11 |
| Don't know [VOL] | * |
| Refused [VOL] | 1 |

Based on:

N=1,007

DM4. In what year were you born?

Age group:

| | |
|---------|----|
| 18-29 | 21 |
| 30-49 | 38 |
| 50-64 | 24 |
| 65+ | 17 |
| Refused | 1 |

Based on:

N=1,007

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

| | |
|------------------|----|
| Urban area | 27 |
| Suburban area | 40 |
| Rural area | 30 |
| Don't know [VOL] | 2 |
| Refused [VOL] | 1 |

Based on:

N=1,007

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

| | |
|-------------------|----|
| Own | 64 |
| Rent | 26 |
| Other arrangement | 10 |
| Don't know | - |
| Refused | 1 |

Based on:

N=1,007

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

| | |
|------------|----|
| Yes | 37 |
| No | 63 |
| Don't know | - |
| Refused | 1 |

Based on:

N=1,007

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 | 24 |
| One Line | 72 |
| Two lines | 2 |
| Three or more lines | 1 |
| Don't know | * |
| Refused | 1 |

Based on:

N=1,007

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

| | |
|---------------|----|
| None | 9 |
| One | 68 |
| Two | 16 |
| Three or more | 6 |
| Don't know | * |
| Refused | 1 |

Based on:

N=1,007

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 | 25 |
| Cell phone | 38 |
| Both equally | 36 |
| Don't know | - |
| Refused | * |

Based on:

N=674

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 | 46 |
| One | 32 |
| Two | 15 |
| Three or more | 6 |
| Don't know | * |
| Refused | 2 |

Based on:

N=301

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

| | |
|-----------------------------|----|
| Yes, born-again/evangelical | 36 |
| No | 60 |
| Don't know | 2 |
| Refused | 2 |

Based on:

N=1,007

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 | 27 |
| Catholic | 24 |
| Mormon | 1 |
| Jewish | 1 |
| Muslim | * |
| Other religion [SPECIFY] | 21 |
| Don't belong to religious denomination | 24 |
| Don't know | - |
| Refused | * |

Based on:

N=1,007

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

| | |
|---------------------|----|
| Yes, a Christian | 88 |
| No, not a Christian | 13 |
| Don't know | - |
| Refused | - |

Based on:

N=158

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 | 22 |
| Once or twice a month | 13 |
| Once a week | 24 |
| More than once a week | 11 |
| Don't know | * |
| Refused | 2 |

Based on:

N=1,007

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

| | |
|------------|----|
| Yes | 14 |
| No | 85 |
| Don't know | * |
| Refused | 2 |

Based on:

N=1,007

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 | 71 |
| Black, African-American, or Negro | 12 |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | 1 |
| Asian Indian | 1 |
| Vietnamese | - |
| Chinese | * |
| Filipino | * |
| Korean | * |
| Native Hawaiian | - |
| Guamanian or Chamorro | - |
| Samoa | - |
| Japanese | - |
| Other Asian | * |
| Other Pacific Islander | - |
| Some other race [SPECIFY] | 10 |
| Multiple races [VOL] | 3 |
| Don't know [VOL] | * |
| Refused [VOL] | 3 |

Based on:

N=1,007

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 | 47 |
| \$50,000+ | 48 |
| Don't know [VOL] | 1 |
| Refused [VOL] | 4 |

Based on:

N=1,007

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

| | |
|------------------------------|----|
| Under \$10,000 | 5 |
| \$10,000 to under \$20,000 | 10 |
| \$20,000 to under \$30,000 | 11 |
| \$30,000 to under \$40,000 | 8 |
| \$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 | 8 |
| \$150,000 or more | 8 |
| Don't know [VOL] | 5 |
| Refused [VOL] | 7 |

Based on:

N=1,007

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

| | |
|------------|----|
| Yes | 39 |
| No | 58 |
| Don't know | * |
| Refused | 3 |

Based on:

N=1,007

[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 | 47 |
| 1 | 18 |
| 2 | 8 |
| 3 | 6 |
| 4 | 3 |
| 5-9 times | 7 |
| 10-14 times | 3 |
| 15-19 times | 1 |
| 20-24 times | 1 |
| 25 times or more | 1 |
| Don't know | 4 |
| Refused | 1 |

Based on:

N=498

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

| | |
|--------|----|
| Male | 49 |
| Female | 51 |

Based on:

N=1,007

REGION:

| | |
|-----------|-------|
| | Total |
| Northeast | 19 |
| Midwest | 22 |
| South | 37 |
| West | 23 |

Based on:

N=1,007

AP-GfK Poll Methodology

The **Associated Press-GfK Poll** was conducted from August 11 through August 16, 2010, 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 1,007 general population adults age 18 or older.

Interviews were conducted with 706 respondents on landlines and 301 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 4.5 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-gfcpoll.com>.