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MD1. Generally speaking, would you say things in this country are heading in the right direction, or are they off on the wrong track?

|  | Wave 1 | Wave 2 | Wave 3 | Wave 4 | Wave 5 | Wave 6 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Right direction | 24 | 28 | 26 | 22 | 20 | 27 | 27 | 15 | 18 |
| Wrong track | 75 | 71 | 74 | 77 | 79 | 72 | 72 | 85 | 82 |
| Refused / Not Answered | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

MD2. When you think about how things are going in your life in general, would you say you are...
[RANDOMIZE HALF SAMPLE TO REVERSE THE ITEM ORDER]

|  | Wave 1 | Wave 2 | Wave 3 | Wave 4 | Wave 5 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Very happy | 24 | 23 | 22 | 20 | 19 | 21 | 16 | 18 |
| Somewhat happy | 44 | 44 | 42 | 41 | 41 | 42 | 38 | 38 |
| Neither happy nor unhappy | 15 | 16 | 15 | 18 | 16 | 16 | 17 | 19 |
| Somewhat unhappy | 13 | 13 | 16 | 16 | 19 | 16 | 21 | 18 |
| Very unhappy | 4 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 7 | 7 |
| Refused / Not Answered | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

FAV1. For each of the following individuals, please select if you have a favorable or unfavorable impression of that person. If you don't know enough about the person to have an opinion, you can say that too.
[GRID, RANDOMIZE ALL THE NAMES]


| Michelle Obama |  | Very favorable | Somewhat favorable | Somewhat unfavorable | Very unfavorable | Don't know enough to say | Refused / Not <br> Answered |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Wave 5 | 11 | 20 | 15 | 20 | 34 | 0 |
|  | Wave 6 | 20 | 24 | 15 | 19 | 21 | 0 |
|  | Wave 7 | 16 | 27 | 18 | 18 | 21 | 0 |
|  | Wave 8 | 18 | 22 | 15 | 20 | 24 | 0 |
|  | Wave 9 | 20 | 25 | 14 | 19 | 21 | 0 |
| Cindy McCain | Wave 5 | 5 | 22 | 11 | 6 | 55 | 1 |
|  | Wave 6 | 9 | 25 | 14 | 9 | 42 | 1 |
|  | Wave 7 | 13 | 28 | 16 | 8 | 35 | 0 |
|  | Wave 8 | 11 | 28 | 14 | 10 | 37 | 0 |
|  | Wave 9 | 11 | 29 | 16 | 13 | 31 | 1 |
| Joe Biden | Wave 7 | 11 | 26 | 17 | 13 | 32 | 0 |
|  | Wave 8 | 15 | 33 | 19 | 14 | 18 | 0 |
|  | Wave 9 | 18 | 31 | 17 | 15 | 19 | 1 |
| Sarah Palin | Wave 7 | 25 | 22 | 14 | 14 | 24 | 0 |
|  | Wave 8 | 22 | 26 | 15 | 24 | 13 | 0 |
|  | Wave 9 | 20 | 25 | 15 | 28 | 11 | 1 |
| Bob Barr | Wave 7 | 1 | 5 | 10 | 7 | 78 | 1 |
|  | Wave 8 | 1 | 5 | 9 | 7 | 78 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 1 | 6 | 9 | 7 | 76 | 0 |
| Ralph Nader | Wave 7 | 3 | 21 | 25 | 16 | 34 | 0 |
|  | Wave 8 | 4 | 22 | 25 | 15 | 34 | 0 |
|  | Wave 9 | 3 | 19 | 25 | 16 | 37 | 0 |

FAV2. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable impression of...
[GRID, RANDOMIZE PARTIES]

|  | Wave 1 | Very <br> favorable | Somewhat <br> favorable | Somewhat <br> unfavorable | Very <br> unfavorable | Refused / Not <br> Answered |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| The Democratic Party |  |  |  |  |  |  |

LV1. Are you registered to vote?

|  | Wave 1 | Wave 2 | Wave 3 | Wave 4 | Wave 5 | Wave 6 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: |
| Yes, at my current address | 76 | 76 | 78 | 78 | 80 | 79 | 81 | 81 | 83 |
| Yes, but at a different address | 7 | 7 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 4 |
| No | 13 | 14 | 14 | 13 | 12 | 13 | 11 | 12 | 11 |
| Not sure | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Refused / Not Answered | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

LV6. How often would you say you vote?

|  | Wave 2 | Wave 3 | Wave 4 | Wave 5 | Wave 6 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Always | 40 | 43 | 42 | 43 | 44 | 47 | 45 | 48 |
| Nearly always | 30 | 30 | 28 | 30 | 29 | 28 | 29 | 29 |
| Part of the time | 10 | 9 | 10 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 7 |
| Seldom | 7 | 6 | 7 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 5 |
| Never | 13 | 13 | 12 | 12 | 13 | 11 | 12 | 11 |
| Refused / Not Answered | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

LV8. Have you already voted in the upcoming November general election by going to an early voting location, or by mailing in an early voting or absentee ballot, or not?

Wave $8 \quad$ Wave 9

| Yes, have voted | 6 | 11 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| No, have not voted | 86 | 80 |
| Will not vote | 8 | 9 |
| Refused / Not Answered | 0 | 0 |

[ASK IF DID NOT ANSWER "YES, HAVE VOTED" TO LV8]
LV9. Do you plan to vote early or will you vote on election day?

|  | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Will vote early | 19 | 19 |
| Will vote on election day | 67 | 67 |
| Will not vote | 13 | 14 |
| Refused / Not Answered | 0 | 0 |

[ASK IF DID NOT ANSWER "YES, HAVE VOTED" TO LV8]
LV7. Do you happen to know where people in your neighborhood go to vote, or not?

|  | Wave 2 | Wave 3 | Wave 4 | Wave 5 | Wave 6 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Yes | 80 | 84 | 83 | 85 | 84 | 87 | 86 | 89 |
| No | 20 | 16 | 17 | 15 | 16 | 12 | 14 | 11 |
| Refused / Not Answered | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

LV3. How much interest do you have in following news about the campaign for president, a great deal, quite a bit, only some, very little, or no interest at all?

|  | Wave 1 | Wave 2 | Wave 3 | Wave 4 | Wave 5 | Wave 6 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| A great deal | 14 | 15 | 20 | 21 | 23 | 25 | 28 | 28 | 29 |
| Quite a bit | 31 | 33 | 34 | 35 | 36 | 37 | 35 | 37 | 38 |
| Only some | 33 | 33 | 30 | 28 | 26 | 25 | 25 | 22 | 22 |
| Very little | 14 | 11 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 8 | 8 | 9 | 8 |
| No interest at all | 7 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Refused / Not Answered | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

CND1. How much thought, if any, have you given to candidates who may be running for president in 2008 ?

|  | Wave 1 | Wave 2 | Wave 3 | Wave 4 | Wave 5 | Wave 6 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| A lot | 28 | 29 | 37 | 48 | 50 | 54 | 53 | 60 | 61 |
| Some | 48 | 47 | 46 | 37 | 37 | 34 | 35 | 30 | 29 |
| Not much | 17 | 16 | 12 | 8 | 9 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 7 |
| None at all | 8 | 7 | 5 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 4 |
| Refused / Not Answered | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

[ASK IF DID NOT ANSWER "YES, HAVE VOTED" TO LV8]
LV31. On November 4, 2008, the election for President will be held. Using a 1-to-10 scale, where 10 means you are completely certain you will vote and 1 means you are completely certain you will NOT vote, how likely are you to vote in the upcoming presidential election? You can use any number between 1 and 10 to indicate how you strongly feel about your likelihood to vote.

|  | Certain will <br> NOT vote | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 <br> Certain <br> to vote | Refused / <br> Not |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Answered |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

VOT3B. If the 2008 general election for President were being held today and these were the candidates, would you vote for...
[RANDOMIZE THE FIRST TWO]

|  | Wave 4 | Wave 5 | Wave 6 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Barack Obama, the Democrat | 34 | 37 | 40 | 40 | 42 | 44 |
| John McCain, the Republican | 35 | 35 | 36 | 41 | 39 | 38 |
| Bob Barr, the Libertarian | - | - | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Ralph Nader, the independent | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| Someone else (specify) | 5 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| Don't know | 22 | 22 | 17 | 14 | 15 | 13 |
| Refused / Not Answered | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

[ASK IF ANSWERED "DON'T KNOW" OR REFUSED TO ANSWER VOT3B]
VOT3BA. If you had to choose, is there one of these candidates that you lean more toward?
[RANDOMIZE THE FIRST TWO]

|  | Wave 5 | Wave 6 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Barack Obama, the Democrat | 14 | 16 | 12 | 14 | 12 |
| John McCain, the Republican | 18 | 17 | 21 | 18 | 15 |
| Bob Barr, the Libertarian | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Ralph Nader, the independent | 3 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| No, don't lean toward any of | 26 | 28 | 20 | 20 | 17 |
| these candidates | 39 | 34 | 45 | 45 | 54 |
| Don't know | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Refused / Not Answered |  |  |  |  |  |

[FOR ALL RESPONDENTS]
PRES. If the 2008 general election for President were being held today and these were the candidates, would you vote for...
[RECODED - VOT3B AND VOT3BA]

|  | Wave 5 | Wave 6 | Wave 7 | Wave 8- <br> All Adults | Wave 8- <br> Likely <br> Voters | Wave 9- <br> All Adults | Wave 9 <br> -Likely <br> Voters |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Barack Obama, the Democrat | 41 | 43 | 42 | 44 | 49 | 46 | 51 |
| John McCain, the Republican | 39 | 39 | 44 | 42 | 44 | 40 | 43 |
| Bob Barr, the Libertarian | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Ralph Nader, the independent | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Someone else | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Don't know | 14 | 11 | 9 | 9 | 4 | 9 | 2 |
| Refused / Not Answered | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

[ASK IF OBAMA, MCCAIN, NADER OR BARR TO VOT3B]
VOT3BB. Are you certain to support (FILL RESPONSE FROM VOT3B) or do you think you might change your mind?

|  | Wave 5 | Wave 6 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Certain to support (FILL RESPONSE | 79 | 83 | 82 | 86 | 88 |
| FROM VOT3B) | 21 | 17 | 17 | 14 | 11 |
| Might change my mind | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

VOT4. Do you want to see the Republicans or the Democrats win control of Congress?
Republicans ..... 42
Democrats ..... 54
Refused / Not Answered ..... 4

CIS25. We know that often people don't agree with one candidate on every issue. What issues, if any, do you disagree with [INSERT CANDIDATE NAME, in yellow font] about?
[LIST OF CANDIDATES TO INSERT, ASK THEM ALL, RANDOMIZE]
[OPEN-END, PEOPLE SOMETIMES PROVIDE MORE THAN ONE RESPONSE - CODED]

## Barack Obama

Personal trait ..... 8
Standing in election ..... 0
Miscellaneous ..... 3
Ideology/all issues ..... 12
Economic issue ..... 16
Taxes ..... 17
Health care/Rx drugs/Medicare ..... 11
Education ..... 2
Social issue ..... 10
Abortion ..... 12
Foreign policy ..... 7
Iraq ..... 8
Political/Gov. associations ..... 3
Environmental issues ..... 3
Nothing ..... 22
Don't know ..... 6
John McCain
Personal trait ..... 7
Standing in election ..... 2
Miscellaneous ..... 1
Ideology/all issues ..... 12
Economic issue ..... 24
Taxes ..... 14
Health care/Rx drugs/Medicare ..... 23
Education ..... 2
Social issue ..... 11
Abortion ..... 9
Foreign policy ..... 14
Iraq ..... 8
Political/Gov. associations ..... 9
Environmental issues ..... 5
Nothing ..... 8
Don't know ..... 5

IMG1. Please tell me how well each word describes [INSERT NAME OF CANDIDATE].

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[GRID, RANDOMIZE ITEMS - KEEP ORDER OF RANDOMIZED ITEMS THE SAME FOR EACH CANDIDATE]
[RANDOMIZE LIST OF CANDIDATES]
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Barack Obama



## John McCain




ISS2. How important is each of the following issues to you personally?
[GRID, RANDOMIZE ISSUES]


| Political corruption |  | Not at all important | Slightly important | Moderately important | Very important | Extremely important | Refused / Not Answered |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Wave 1 | 3 | 6 | 19 | 32 | 39 | 0 |
|  | Wave 2 | 2 | 6 | 17 | 31 | 43 | 1 |
|  | Wave 3 | 3 | 4 | 16 | 33 | 44 | 1 |
|  | Wave 4 | 2 | 5 | 16 | 29 | 48 | 0 |
|  | Wave 5 | 3 | 5 | 18 | 34 | 39 | 1 |
|  | Wave 7 | 2 | 5 | 17 | 34 | 41 | 0 |
|  | Wave 9 | 2 | 5 | 19 | 29 | 44 | 0 |
| Gas prices | Wave 1 | 2 | 5 | 16 | 30 | 47 | 0 |
|  | Wave 2 | 2 | 5 | 14 | 30 | 48 | 0 |
|  | Wave 3 | 2 | 4 | 15 | 28 | 51 | 1 |
|  | Wave 4 | 2 | 3 | 11 | 24 | 59 | 1 |
|  | Wave 5 | 2 | 2 | 9 | 21 | 65 | 0 |
|  | Wave 7 | 2 | 4 | 14 | 28 | 52 | 0 |
|  | Wave 9 | 2 | 5 | 19 | 31 | 43 | 0 |
| Taxes | Wave 1 | 2 | 5 | 22 | 36 | 34 | 0 |
|  | Wave 2 | 1 | 4 | 19 | 33 | 41 | 1 |
|  | Wave 3 | 2 | 5 | 17 | 34 | 43 | 1 |
|  | Wave 4 | 1 | 5 | 15 | 32 | 46 | 0 |
|  | Wave 5 | 2 | 3 | 19 | 34 | 42 | 0 |
|  | Wave 7 | 1 | 4 | 16 | 34 | 44 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 1 | 3 | 15 | 35 | 45 | 0 |
| Immigration | Wave 1 | 4 | 10 | 23 | 28 | 35 | 0 |
|  | Wave 2 | 4 | 9 | 23 | 27 | 37 | 0 |
|  | Wave 3 | 3 | 9 | 24 | 25 | 38 | 1 |
|  | Wave 4 | 4 | 7 | 26 | 26 | 36 | 1 |
|  | Wave 5 | 5 | 12 | 25 | 26 | 31 | 1 |
|  | Wave 7 | 5 | 10 | 25 | 30 | 30 | 0 |
|  | Wave 9 | 6 | 12 | 27 | 24 | 30 | 1 |
| Same-sex marriage | Wave 1 | 37 | 15 | 18 | 12 | 18 | 0 |
|  | Wave 2 | 37 | 15 | 17 | 12 | 18 | 0 |
|  | Wave 3 | 34 | 15 | 18 | 12 | 20 | 0 |
|  | Wave 4 | 35 | 15 | 17 | 13 | 20 | 0 |
|  | Wave 5 | 42 | 14 | 16 | 12 | 17 | 0 |
|  | Wave 7 | 40 | 15 | 19 | 12 | 13 | 0 |
|  | Wave 9 | 35 | 16 | 18 | 12 | 18 | 0 |


|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Not at all <br> important | Slightly <br> important | Moderately <br> important | Very <br> important | Extremely <br> important | | Refor |
| :---: |
| Answered |

Refused /

ISS33. Who do you trust to do a better job of handling each of these issues?

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[GRID, RANDOMIZE ISSUES]
[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE CATEGORIES, EXCEPT BOTH EQUALY AND NEITHER]
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| The economy |  | Barack Obama | John McCain | Both Equally | Neither | Refused/ Not Answered |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Wave 5 | 33 | 27 | 18 | 21 | 2 |
|  | Wave 7 | 34 | 34 | 17 | 14 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 43 | 28 | 12 | 15 | 1 |
| The situation in Iraq | Wave 5 | 34 | 38 | 10 | 16 | 1 |
|  | Wave 7 | 33 | 44 | 12 | 11 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 38 | 41 | 9 | 12 | 1 |
| Terrorism | Wave 5 | 20 | 43 | 21 | 14 | 2 |
|  | Wave 7 | 21 | 46 | 23 | 9 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 26 | 46 | 18 | 9 | 1 |
| Health care | Wave 5 | 37 | 23 | 18 | 20 | 2 |
|  | Wave 7 | 39 | 26 | 19 | 15 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 46 | 23 | 13 | 17 | 1 |
| Social security | Wave 5 | 30 | 27 | 19 | 22 | 2 |
|  | Wave 7 | 31 | 32 | 19 | 16 | 0 |
|  | Wave 9 | 39 | 27 | 17 | 17 | 1 |
| Political corruption | Wave 5 | 27 | 22 | 21 | 28 | 1 |
|  | Wave 7 | 28 | 32 | 21 | 19 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 30 | 28 | 18 | 23 | 1 |
| Gas prices | Wave 5 | 29 | 20 | 18 | 32 | 2 |
|  | Wave 7 | 30 | 30 | 19 | 20 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 34 | 22 | 20 | 22 | 1 |


| Taxes |  | Barack Obama | John McCain | Both Equally | Neither | Refused / Not Answered |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Wave 5 | 30 | 31 | 17 | 20 | 2 |
|  | Wave 7 | 33 | 36 | 15 | 15 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 41 | 32 | 9 | 18 | 1 |
| Immigration | Wave 5 | 24 | 30 | 20 | 25 | 1 |
|  | Wave 7 | 24 | 33 | 24 | 19 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 29 | 27 | 22 | 21 | 1 |
| Same-sex marriage | Wave 5 | 27 | 21 | 21 | 30 | 1 |
|  | Wave 7 | 33 | 21 | 20 | 25 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 33 | 25 | 19 | 22 | 1 |
| Abortion | Wave 5 | 28 | 23 | 22 | 26 | 2 |
|  | Wave 7 | 31 | 29 | 21 | 18 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 36 | 29 | 16 | 18 | 1 |
| The environment | Wave 5 | 34 | 15 | 29 | 21 | 1 |
|  | Wave 7 | 38 | 21 | 27 | 13 | 0 |
|  | Wave 9 | 43 | 16 | 26 | 15 | 1 |
| Federal budget deficit | Wave 5 | 30 | 24 | 18 | 27 | 1 |
|  | Wave 7 | 32 | 30 | 18 | 19 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 37 | 28 | 13 | 21 | 1 |
| Stem cell research | Wave 5 | 31 | 19 | 24 | 24 | 2 |
|  | Wave 7 | 34 | 22 | 25 | 19 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 37 | 21 | 21 | 19 | 1 |
| Racial Equality | Wave 7 | 45 | 17 | 27 | 11 | 0 |
|  | Wave 9 | 44 | 15 | 26 | 15 | 1 |
| Gun control | Wave 5 | 23 | 31 | 23 | 22 | 1 |
|  | Wave 7 | 28 | 36 | 22 | 14 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 30 | 31 | 21 | 15 | 1 |
| Education | Wave 5 | 35 | 19 | 27 | 17 | 1 |
|  | Wave 7 | 37 | 25 | 27 | 10 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 42 | 20 | 24 | 13 | 1 |
| Housing prices | Wave 5 | 25 | 17 | 27 | 29 | 2 |
|  | Wave 7 | 31 | 23 | 25 | 20 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 35 | 21 | 21 | 22 | 1 |

INT4. Do any of the following words describe how you feel about the upcoming presidential election? Check all that apply.
[RANDOMIZE]

|  | Wave 1 | Wave 2 | Wave 3 | Wave 4 | Wave 5 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Excited | 11 | 13 | 17 | 19 | 20 | 30 | 25 | 26 |
| Interested | 43 | 42 | 45 | 44 | 43 | 54 | 48 | 48 |
| Frustrated | 32 | 32 | 30 | 36 | 37 | 30 | 42 | 41 |
| Bored | 10 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 13 | 9 | 9 | 13 |
| Angry | 10 | 9 | 8 | 12 | 13 | 12 | 17 | 16 |
| Proud | 6 | 7 | 10 | 10 | 15 | 19 | 15 | 19 |
| Hopeful | 42 | 43 | 45 | 43 | 43 | 53 | 51 | 52 |
| Overwhelmed | 11 | 12 | 13 | 13 | 12 | 12 | 15 | 17 |
| Helpless | 16 | 18 | 16 | 19 | 23 | 17 | 22 | 21 |
| None of the above | 9 | 10 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 6 |
| Refused / Not Answered | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

IMG6. The following are phrases some people use to describe political candidates. For each phrase, please tell me if it describes [INSERT CANDIDATE] not at all well, slightly well, somewhat well, or very well.
[GRID, RANDOMIZE ITEMS - KEEP ORDER OF RANDOMIZED ITEMS THE SAME FOR EACH CANDIDATE] [LIST OF CANDIDATES TO INSERT, ASK THEM ALL, RANDOMIZE]

## Barack Obama

| He understands the problems of ordinary Americans |  | Not at all well | Slightly well | Somewhat well | Very well | Refused/ Not Answered |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Wave 5 | 27 | 24 | 23 | 22 | 4 |
|  | Wave 7 | 25 | 26 | 22 | 27 | 1 |
|  | Wave 8 | 23 | 25 | 20 | 30 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 23 | 23 | 21 | 32 | 1 |
| He will be a good leader of the military | Wave 5 | 44 | 26 | 16 | 11 | 4 |
|  | Wave 7 | 43 | 23 | 20 | 14 | 0 |
|  | Wave 8 | 44 | 22 | 18 | 14 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 41 | 22 | 20 | 16 | 1 |
| He is a problem-solver | Wave 5 | 27 | 29 | 23 | 16 | 4 |
|  | Wave 7 | 25 | 30 | 25 | 20 | 1 |
|  | Wave 8 | 25 | 29 | 22 | 22 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 24 | 26 | 23 | 26 | 1 |
| He is innovative | Wave 5 | 24 | 28 | 27 | 18 | 4 |
|  | Wave 7 | 22 | 29 | 27 | 21 | 1 |
|  | Wave 8 | 23 | 28 | 25 | 23 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 20 | 27 | 25 | 26 | 2 |
| He is too young | Wave 5 | 41 | 24 | 16 | 15 | 4 |
|  | Wave 7 | 46 | 26 | 15 | 11 | 1 |
|  | Wave 8 | 45 | 28 | 14 | 12 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 42 | 27 | 16 | 14 | 1 |
| He will work with both Democrats and Republicans | Wave 5 | 26 | 28 | 24 | 19 | 3 |
|  | Wave 7 | 28 | 26 | 24 | 21 | 0 |
|  | Wave 8 | 27 | 27 | 24 | 21 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 26 | 26 | 24 | 24 | 0 |
| He will fight for the less privileged | Wave 5 | 20 | 24 | 27 | 26 | 4 |
|  | Wave 7 | 15 | 26 | 27 | 31 | 0 |
|  | Wave 8 | 15 | 24 | 26 | 33 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 15 | 23 | 27 | 35 | 1 |
| He flip-flops on important issues | Wave 5 | 33 | 30 | 16 | 17 | 4 |
|  | Wave 7 | 32 | 27 | 21 | 20 | 1 |
|  | Wave 8 | 31 | 30 | 18 | 19 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 33 | 29 | 18 | 19 | 1 |

$\left.\begin{array}{llccccc} & & \begin{array}{c}\text { Not at all } \\ \text { well }\end{array} & \begin{array}{c}\text { Slightly } \\ \text { well }\end{array} & \begin{array}{c}\text { Somewhat } \\ \text { well }\end{array} & \text { Very well } & \begin{array}{c}\text { Refused } \\ \text { Not }\end{array} \\ \text { Answered }\end{array}\right]$

## John McCain

| He understands the problems of ordinary Americans |  | Not at all well | Slightly well | Somewhat well | Very well | Refused / Not Answered |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Wave 5 | 29 | 35 | 23 | 9 | 4 |
|  | Wave 7 | 32 | 28 | 26 | 15 | 1 |
|  | Wave 8 | 34 | 29 | 24 | 12 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 36 | 30 | 21 | 12 | 1 |
| He will be a good leader of the military | Wave 5 | 15 | 21 | 29 | 31 | 4 |
|  | Wave 7 | 10 | 19 | 27 | 43 | 0 |
|  | Wave 8 | 13 | 17 | 29 | 40 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 14 | 17 | 28 | 39 | 1 |
| He is a problem-solver | Wave 5 | 22 | 35 | 29 | 11 | 4 |
|  | Wave 7 | 17 | 32 | 33 | 18 | 1 |
|  | Wave 8 | 22 | 31 | 31 | 15 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 23 | 32 | 29 | 16 | 1 |
| He is innovative | Wave 5 | 34 | 38 | 19 | 5 | 4 |
|  | Wave 7 | 28 | 36 | 25 | 10 | 1 |
|  | Wave 8 | 32 | 35 | 23 | 7 | 2 |
|  | Wave 9 | 32 | 37 | 20 | 9 | 2 |
| He is too old | Wave 5 | 30 | 28 | 18 | 20 | 4 |
|  | Wave 7 | 33 | 26 | 19 | 21 | 1 |
|  | Wave 8 | 30 | 27 | 19 | 23 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 28 | 26 | 19 | 25 | 1 |
| He will work with both Democrats and Republicans | Wave 5 | 22 | 34 | 26 | 13 | 4 |
|  | Wave 7 | 18 | 29 | 32 | 20 | 1 |
|  | Wave 8 | 19 | 31 | 33 | 17 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 20 | 31 | 29 | 19 | 1 |
| He will fight for the less privileged | Wave 5 | 34 | 38 | 18 | 7 | 4 |
|  | Wave 7 | 34 | 31 | 23 | 11 | 1 |
|  | Wave 8 | 37 | 32 | 21 | 8 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 39 | 31 | 20 | 9 | 1 |
| He flip-flops on important issues | Wave 5 | 36 | 35 | 14 | 11 | 5 |
|  | Wave 7 | 40 | 32 | 18 | 10 | 1 |
|  | Wave 8 | 32 | 36 | 18 | 13 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 34 | 32 | 17 | 16 | 1 |
| He cares about people like you | Wave 5 | 32 | 34 | 21 | 10 | 4 |
|  | Wave 7 | 29 | 29 | 25 | 15 | 1 |
|  | Wave 8 | 35 | 28 | 24 | 12 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 36 | 28 | 21 | 14 | 1 |


| He will keep America safe |  | Not at all well | Slightly well | Somewhat well | Very well | Refused/ Not Answered |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Wave 5 | 18 | 25 | 30 | 22 | 4 |
|  | Wave 7 | 13 | 24 | 30 | 32 | 1 |
|  | Wave 8 | 18 | 21 | 32 | 28 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 16 | 22 | 33 | 28 | 1 |
| He shares your values | Wave 5 | 34 | 31 | 22 | 9 | 4 |
|  | Wave 7 | 31 | 24 | 28 | 16 | 1 |
|  | Wave 8 | 36 | 25 | 27 | 12 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 37 | 25 | 23 | 14 | 1 |
| He will improve America's standing in the world | Wave 5 | 29 | 33 | 23 | 10 | 4 |
|  | Wave 7 | 23 | 29 | 30 | 17 | 1 |
|  | Wave 8 | 30 | 28 | 29 | 12 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 32 | 30 | 23 | 14 | 1 |
| He supports the interests of big business over the public interest | Wave 5 | 26 | 31 | 20 | 19 | 4 |
|  | Wave 7 | 28 | 26 | 22 | 23 | 1 |
|  | Wave 8 | 23 | 29 | 23 | 25 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 25 | 26 | 21 | 27 | 1 |
| He will be strongly influenced by lobbyists | Wave 5 | 27 | 35 | 19 | 14 | 5 |
|  | Wave 7 | 31 | 30 | 21 | 16 | 1 |
|  | Wave 8 | 26 | 34 | 19 | 19 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 29 | 32 | 20 | 17 | 2 |
| He is too negative | Wave 5 | 42 | 33 | 14 | 6 | 5 |
|  | Wave 7 | 47 | 29 | 14 | 9 | 2 |
|  | Wave 9 | 38 | 29 | 16 | 15 | 2 |
| He is hot tempered | Wave 8 | 31 | 31 | 20 | 17 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 27 | 29 | 21 | 21 | 1 |

IMG7. Which best describes your feelings about John McCain?
[RANDOMIZE RESPONSES]

|  | Wave 5 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| McCain will continue the <br> policies of George W. Bush <br> McCain will take the country in | 61 | 53 | 53 | 55 |
| a new direction | 36 | 46 | 45 | 44 |
| Refused / Not Answered | 3 | 1 | 2 | 1 |

CIS14. For each of the following, please indicate if you think the person has the right experience to be a good president of the United States.
[GRID RANDOMIZE RESPONSES]

|  |  | Yes | No | Refused / Not <br> Answered |  |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
| Barack Obama | Wave 7 | 46 | 53 | 0 |  |
|  | Wave 8 | 48 | 51 | 1 |  |
| John McCain | Wave 9 | 51 | 48 | 1 |  |
|  | Wave 7 | 71 | 29 | 1 |  |
|  | Wave 8 | 69 | 30 | 1 |  |
|  | Wave 9 | 68 | 31 | 1 |  |
| Sarah Palin | Wave 7 | 54 | 45 | 1 |  |
|  | Wave 8 | 61 | 37 | 2 |  |
|  | Wave 9 | 64 | 35 | 1 |  |
|  | Wave 7 | 39 | 61 | 1 |  |
|  | Wave 8 | 31 | 68 | 1 |  |
|  | Wave 9 | 28 | 71 | 1 |  |

CIS8. How well do you think [INSERT NAME OF CANDIDATE, yellow font color] understands how the federal government works?
[LIST OF CANDIDATES TO INSERT, ASK THEM ALL, RANDOMIZE]

## Barack Obama

|  | Wave 6 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Extremely well | 14 | 20 |
| Very well | 24 | 28 |
| Moderately well | 29 | 23 |
| Slightly well | 17 | 17 |
| Not at all | 16 | 11 |
| Refused / Not Answered | 0 | 0 |

## John McCain

|  | Wave 6 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Extremely well | 27 | 41 |
| Very well | 36 | 35 |
| Moderately well | 22 | 14 |
| Slightly well | 9 | 4 |
| Not at all | 6 | 6 |
| Refused / Not Answered | 1 | 0 |

CIS10. If [INSERT NAME OF CANDIDATE, yellow font color] is elected President, how much time and effort do you think he would spend working on the issues you would want him to work on the most?
[LIST OF CANDIDATES TO INSERT, ASK THEM ALL, RANDOMIZE]

## Barack Obama

|  | Wave 6 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| A great deal | 18 | 22 |
| A lot | 21 | 21 |
| A moderate amount | 26 | 24 |
| A little | 19 | 18 |
| None at all | 16 | 14 |
| Refused / Not Answered | 0 | 1 |

## John McCain

|  | Wave 6 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| A great deal | 8 | 11 |
| A lot | 20 | 22 |
| A moderate amount | 32 | 29 |
| A little | 25 | 25 |
| None at all | 15 | 13 |
| Refused / Not Answered | 1 | 1 |

CIS11. How well do you think [INSERT NAME OF CANDIDATE, yellow font color] understands the important issues the country will need to focus on during the next four years?
[LIST OF CANDIDATES TO INSERT, ASK THEM ALL, RANDOMIZE]

## Barack Obama

|  | Wave 6 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Not at all well | 18 | 15 |
| Slightly well | 20 | 18 |
| Moderately well | 22 | 20 |
| Very well | 23 | 26 |
| Extremely well | 16 | 20 |
| Refused / Not Answered | 1 | 1 |

## John McCain

|  | Wave 6 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Not at all well | 15 | 16 |
| Slightly well | 21 | 19 |
| Moderately well | 31 | 26 |
| Very well | 25 | 25 |
| Extremely well | 8 | 14 |
| Refused / Not Answered | 0 | 1 |

CIS18. As far as you know, does [INSERT CANDIDATE NAME yellow font color?] support or oppose each of the following? Please answer "support" or "oppose" for each one.
[GRID, RANDOMIZE ITEMS - KEEP ORDER OF RANDOMIZED ITEMS THE SAME FOR EACH CANDIDATE]

## Barack Obama

| Barack Obama |  | Support | Oppose | Not sure | Refused / Not Answered |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The $\$ 700$ billion government program to stabilize financial institutions | Wave 9 | 62 | 10 | 27 | 1 |
| Canceling the tax cuts passed since 2001 for people who are wealthy | Wave 7 | 59 | 11 | 30 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 64 | 14 | 21 | 1 |
| Repealing Roe v. Wade | Wave 7 | 9 | 45 | 45 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 12 | 49 | 37 | 1 |
| Banning affirmative action for women and minorities in college admissions | Wave 9 | 12 | 43 | 43 | 1 |
| A timeline for removing troops from Iraq | Wave 7 | 78 | 5 | 17 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 83 | 3 | 13 | 1 |
| Establishing new taxes on oil and gas companies | Wave 9 | 62 | 8 | 29 | 1 |
| Allowing gays to serve openly in the military | Wave 9 | 41 | 6 | 52 | 1 |
| Creating a universal health insurance program | Wave 7 | 71 | 3 | 25 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 77 | 5 | 17 | 1 |
| A nationwide law banning semi-automatic handguns | Wave 7 | 49 | 6 | 45 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 49 | 8 | 42 | 1 |

## John McCain

|  |  | Support | Oppose | Not sure | Refused / Not <br> Answered |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The $\$ 700$ billion government program to stabilize financial institutions | Wave 9 | 70 | 7 | 22 | 1 |
| Canceling the tax cuts passed since 2001 for people who are wealthy | Wave 7 | 15 | 48 | 36 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 18 | 54 | 27 | 1 |
| Repealing Roe v. Wade | Wave 7 | 34 | 15 | 50 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 40 | 19 | 40 | 1 |
| Banning affirmative action for women and minorities in college admissions | Wave 9 | 21 | 18 | 60 | 1 |
| A timeline for removing troops from Iraq | Wave 7 | 24 | 55 | 20 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 17 | 65 | 17 | 1 |
| Establishing new taxes on oil and gas companies | Wave 9 | 20 | 46 | 33 | 1 |
| Allowing gays to serve openly in the military | Wave 9 | 8 | 39 | 52 | 1 |
| Creating a universal health insurance program | Wave 7 | 16 | 48 | 35 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 17 | 58 | 24 | 1 |
| A nationwide law banning semi-automatic handguns | Wave 7 | 14 | 39 | 46 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 14 | 40 | 45 | 1 |

ISS34. How about you? Do you support or oppose each of the following? Please answer "support" or "oppose" for each one.
[GRID, RANDOMIZE ITEMS]

|  |  | Support | Oppose | Not sure | Refused / Not <br> Answered |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The $\$ 700$ billion government program to stabilize financial institutions | Wave 9 | 29 | 44 | 26 | 1 |
| Canceling the tax cuts passed since 2001 for people who are wealthy | Wave 7 | 53 | 28 | 18 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 54 | 30 | 15 | 1 |
| Repealing Roe v. Wade | Wave 7 | 21 | 45 | 32 | 2 |
|  | Wave 9 | 24 | 47 | 28 | 1 |
| Banning affirmative action for women and minorities in college admissions | Wave 9 | 34 | 35 | 30 | 1 |
| A timeline for removing troops from Iraq | Wave 7 | 65 | 22 | 13 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 60 | 28 | 11 | 1 |
| Establishing new taxes on oil and gas companies | Wave 9 | 53 | 27 | 19 | 1 |
| Allowing gays to serve openly in the military | Wave 9 | 48 | 30 | 21 | 1 |
| Creating a universal health insurance program | Wave 7 | 57 | 26 | 16 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 54 | 30 | 15 | 1 |
| A nationwide law banning semi-automatic handguns | Wave 7 | 54 | 30 | 16 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 54 | 31 | 14 | 1 |

[NUMBER BOX, RANGE 0-100]
DIV2. What do you think are the chances that the majority of people in the U.S. House of Representatives and the majority of the people in the U.S. Senate after the November election will be Democrats? Please give an answer between $0 \%$ (meaning this definitely won't happen) and 100\% (meaning this definitely will happen).

|  | Wave 6 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| $0 \%$ | 4 | 1 |
| $1-25 \%$ | 3 | 3 |
| $26-49 \%$ | 7 | 4 |
| $50 \%$ | 28 | 21 |
| $51-75 \%$ | 33 | 34 |
| $76-99 \%$ | 16 | 23 |
| $100 \%$ | 6 | 11 |
| Refused / Not Answered | 2 | 2 |

CIS12. Would you prefer that the next president be politically conservative, liberal, or moderate?
Wave $6 \quad$ Wave 9

| Conservative | 31 | 32 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Liberal | 21 | 18 |
| Moderate | 47 | 48 |
| Refused / Not Answered | 2 | 2 |

CIS13. How liberal, moderate, or conservative do you think [INSERT NAME OF CANDIDATE, yellow font color] is?
[LIST OF CANDIDATES TO INSERT, ASK THEM ALL, RANDOMIZE]

## Barack Obama

|  | Wave 6 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Extremely conservative | 1 | 3 |
| Moderately conservative | 4 | 3 |
| Slightly conservative | 5 | 3 |
| Moderate | 23 | 17 |
| Slightly liberal | 13 | 16 |
| Moderately liberal | 23 | 26 |
| Extremely liberal | 28 | 29 |
| Refused / Not Answered | 3 | 3 |

John McCain

|  | Wave 6 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Extremely conservative | 14 | 15 |
| Moderately conservative | 33 | 38 |
| Slightly conservative | 19 | 18 |
| Moderate | 21 | 15 |
| Slightly liberal | 5 | 5 |
| Moderately liberal | 4 | 3 |
| Extremely liberal | 2 | 3 |
| Refused / Not Answered | 2 | 4 |

WIN10. Regardless of whom you support, who do you think will win the election on November 4 and become the next President of the United States?
[RANDOMIZE THE ORDER OF RESPONSE OPTIONS]

Barack Obama 72
John McCain 26
Refused / Not Answered 2

DST1. Now on a slightly different topic, please think of your overall debt, including any that is on credit cards, store credit, a mortgage or home equity loan, a car loan, student loans, or any other outstanding loan you may have.

Thinking about those debts you owe, how often do you worry about the total amount you owe in overall debt?
All of the time ..... 15
Most of the time ..... 15
Some of the time ..... 29
Hardly ever ..... 17
Not at all ..... 12
Do not have any debt ..... 12
Refused / Not Answered ..... 1
[ASK IF ANSWERED "DO NOT HAVE ANY DEBT" TO DST1]
DST1A. Now just to make certain, when you say that you have no debt does that mean that you owe absolutely nomoney to anyone or for anything?
Yes, absolutely no debt ..... 83
No, not what I mean ..... 17
Refused / Not Answered ..... 0
[IF "No, NOT WHAT I MEAN" TO DST1A, LOOP BACK TO DST1]
[ASK IF NOT "DO NOT HAVE ANY DEBT" IN DST1 OR IF REFUSED TO ANSWER DST1A]
DST2. How much stress does the total debt you are carrying cause to you? Is it...
A great deal of stress ..... 14
Quite a bit of stress ..... 16
Some stress ..... 29
Not very much stress ..... 25
No stress at all ..... 17
Refused / Not Answered ..... 0
[ASK IF NOT "DO NOT HAVE ANY DEBT" IN DST1 OR IF REFUSED TO ANSWER DST1A]
DST3. Now, thinking ahead over the next five years, how much of a problem, if any, will the total debt you havetaken on be for you? Will it be...
An extreme problem ..... 7
A large problem ..... 15
A medium problem ..... 28
A small problem ..... 24
No problem at all ..... 24
Refused / Not Answered ..... 1
[ASK IF NOT "DO NOT HAVE ANY DEBT" IN DST1 OR IF REFUSED TO ANSWER DST1A]
DST4. How concerned are you that you never will be able to pay off these debts? Are you ...

| Very concerned | 11 |
| :--- | ---: |
| Quite concerned | 11 |
| Somewhat concerned | 21 |
| Not very concerned | 26 |
| Not at all concerned | 30 |
| Refused / Not Answered | 1 |

PIN2. Have you ever...
$\left.\begin{array}{llcccc}\text { [GRID, RANDOMIZE ITEMS] } & & \begin{array}{c}\text { Yes, within } \\ \text { the last } \\ \text { year }\end{array} & \begin{array}{c}\text { Yes, } \\ \text { but longer } \\ \text { than a year } \\ \text { ago }\end{array} & \text { No } & \begin{array}{c}\text { Refused / } \\ \text { Not }\end{array} \\ \text { Answered }\end{array}\right]$


| Participated in a walk, run or ride for a cause |  | Yes, within the last year | Yes, but longer than a year ago | No | Refused / Not Answered |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Wave 7 | 10 | 24 | 64 | 1 |
|  | Wave 8 | 10 | 28 | 61 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 10 | 25 | 65 | 1 |
| Worked with fellow citizens to solve a problem in your community | Wave 7 | 12 | 22 | 65 | 0 |
|  | Wave 8 | 12 | 23 | 64 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 12 | 21 | 66 | 1 |
| Called into a live radio or TV show to express an opinion | Wave 7 | 4 | 7 | 87 | 1 |
|  | Wave 8 | 4 | 8 | 87 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 4 | 9 | 87 | 1 |
| Watched an online video clip about one of the presidential candidates | Wave 9 | 33 | 2 | 64 | 1 |
| Posted a comment on a political website or blog | Wave 9 | 7 | 3 | 88 | 1 |
| Sent a "letter to the editor" or other comments to a newspaper or magazine | Wave 7 | 6 | 15 | 78 | 1 |
|  | Wave 8 | 7 | 14 | 78 | 1 |
|  | Wave 9 | 7 | 14 | 79 | 1 |

MOB1. Recently, have you personally been contacted by any candidates, campaigns, or other groups urging you to vote in a particular way in the upcoming presidential elections, or not?

|  | Wave 1 | Wave 2 | Wave 3 | Wave 4 | Wave 5 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: |
| Yes, have been contacted | 24 | 19 | 24 | 30 | 25 | 30 | 36 | 41 |
| No, have not been contacted | 75 | 80 | 76 | 70 | 75 | 69 | 64 | 59 |
| Refused / Not Answered | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |

[ASK IF YES, HAVE BEEN CONTACTED IN MOB1]
MOB2. How were you contacted? Were you contacted...
[RANDOMIZE]

|  | Wave 1 | Wave 2 | Wave 3 | Wave 4 | Wave 5 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| By phone | 75 | 75 | 78 | 86 | 79 | 77 | 77 | 82 |
| By postal mail | 56 | 51 | 52 | 46 | 51 | 59 | 54 | 59 |
| By email | 24 | 26 | 24 | 23 | 25 | 26 | 28 | 28 |
| In person at your home | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 10 | 10 | 14 | 13 |
| In person at your work or school | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 3 |
| In person at some other place like a | 4 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 6 | 4 | 7 | 5 |
| shopping mall or church | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Some other way (SPECIFY): | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

[ASK IF YES, HAVE BEEN CONTACTED IN MOB1]
MOB3. When you were contacted, were you urged to vote for...
[RANDOMIZE THE FIRST TWO]

|  | Wave 1 | Wave 2 | Wave 3 | Wave 4 | Wave 5 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Democrats | 27 | 27 | 31 | 35 | 38 | 34 | 28 | 24 |
| Republicans | 23 | 28 | 25 | 18 | 18 | 22 | 23 | 19 |
| Both | 45 | 41 | 39 | 43 | 40 | 42 | 44 | 53 |
| Other (SPECIFY): | 4 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 3 |
| Refused / Not Answered | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |

AD1. In the last week, have you personally seen any television ads for any of these presidential candidates? Mark all that apply.
[RANDOMIZE]

|  | Wave 1 | Wave 2 | Wave 3 | Wave 4 | Wave 5 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Barack Obama | 19 | 28 | 33 | 40 | 33 | 61 | 72 | 82 |
| John McCain | 9 | 13 | 24 | 29 | 34 | 63 | 71 | 74 |
| Some other presidential candidate | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| (SPECIFY) | 71 | 62 | 55 | 54 | 59 | 33 | 24 | 16 |
| None of the above | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |

ID2. Generally speaking, do you consider yourself...
[REVERSE SCALE FOR HALF OF SAMPLE]

|  | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Extremely liberal | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Moderately liberal | 12 | 11 | 9 |
| Somewhat liberal | 11 | 9 | 11 |
| Moderate | 35 | 37 | 35 |
| Somewhat conservative | 14 | 16 | 14 |
| Moderately conservative | 16 | 15 | 16 |
| Extremely conservative | 7 | 6 | 8 |
| Refused | 1 | 1 | 2 |

PID1. Do you consider yourself a Democrat, Republican, an Independent, a supporter of some other party, or none of these?

|  | Wave 1 | Wave 2 | Wave 3 | Wave 4 | Wave 5 | Wave 6 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Democrat | 35 | 35 | 35 | 36 | 39 | 40 | 40 | 40 | 40 |
| Republican | 28 | 26 | 28 | 27 | 28 | 28 | 28 | 27 | 29 |
| Independent | 24 | 26 | 25 | 24 | 21 | 20 | 20 | 21 | 21 |
| Some other party | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| None of these | 12 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 10 | 11 | 10 | 11 | 9 |
| Refused / Not Answered | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |

[ASK IF DEMOCRAT OR REPUBLICAN IN PID1]
PID2. Would you call yourself a strong [Democrat/Republican] or a not very strong [Democrat/Republican]?

|  | Wave 1 | Wave 2 | Wave 3 | Wave 4 | Wave 5 | Wave 6 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Strong | 52 | 52 | 52 | 54 | 58 | 55 | 56 | 55 | 56 |
| Not very strong | 47 | 47 | 48 | 45 | 41 | 44 | 43 | 45 | 43 |
| Refused / Not Answered | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |

[ASK IF INDEPENDENT, NONE OF THESE OR REFUSED / NOT ANSWERED IN PID1]
PID3. Do you think of yourself as CLOSER to the Democratic Party or to the Republican Party?

|  | Wave 1 | Wave 2 | Wave 3 | Wave 4 | Wave 5 | Wave 6 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Closer to the Democratic Party | 31 | 31 | 31 | 29 | 28 | 28 | 32 | 29 | 33 |
| Closer to the Republican Party | 25 | 25 | 27 | 25 | 25 | 27 | 28 | 30 | 28 |
| Neither | 43 | 43 | 43 | 45 | 45 | 44 | 40 | 40 | 38 |
| Refused / Not Answered | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

[ASK IF YES, AT MY CURRENT ADDRESS OR YES, BUT AT A DIFFERENT ADDRESS IN LV1]
REG1. Do the state records show that you are currently registered as a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or do voters not register by party in your state?

|  | Wave 3 | Wave 4 | Wave 5 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| I'm registered as a Democrat | 36 | 39 | 40 | 41 | 39 | 38 |
| I'm registered as a Republican | 29 | 29 | 28 | 28 | 27 | 28 |
| I'm registered as unaffiliated or | 14 | 14 | 14 | 13 | 13 | 13 |
| Independent |  |  |  |  |  | 7 |
| My state does not allow registration | 4 | 5 | 5 | 13 | 8 |  |
| with a party | 16 | 13 | 13 | 12 | 13 | 12 |
| I'm not sure | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

PLS1. In the last month, did you happen to read or hear about any public opinion polls about the presidential election, or not?

|  | Wave 2 | Wave 3 | Wave 5 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Yes, have read or heard about public opinion polls about <br> the upcoming presidential election | 53 | 62 | 49 | 71 | 74 |
| No, have not read or heard anything about public opinion <br> polls about the upcoming presidential election | 46 | 37 | 50 | 29 | 25 |
| Refused / Not Answered | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

[ASK IF HAVE READ OR HEARD ABOUT PUBLIC OPINION POLLS ABOUT THE UPCOMING PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION]
PLS2. Please tell us anything you can remember about the polls you might have read or heard about. If you can remember who sponsored the poll(s), please tell us that too.
[OPEN-END]
[COMBINED VARIABLE, PID1 AND PID3 FOR ALL RESPONDENTS]
PARTYID. Do you consider yourself a Democrat, Republican, an Independent, a supporter of some other party, or none of these?

|  | Wave 1 | Wave 2 | Wave 3 | Wave 4 | Wave 5 | Wave 6 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9- <br> All Adults | Wave 9- <br> Likely <br> Voters |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Democrat | 46 | 47 | 46 | 47 | 48 | 49 | 50 | 49 | 50 | 53 |
| Republican | 37 | 36 | 38 | 36 | 36 | 36 | 36 | 37 | 37 | 40 |
| Independent | 8 | 9 | 8 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 5 |
| Some other | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| party | 8 | 7 | 7 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 1 |
| None of these | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

## AGE

|  | Wave 1 | Wave 2 | Wave 3 | Wave 4 | Wave 5 | Wave 6 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $18-29$ | 22 | 22 | 22 | 22 | 22 | 22 | 22 | 22 | 22 |
| $30-44$ | 28 | 28 | 27 | 27 | 27 | 27 | 27 | 27 | 27 |
| $45-59$ | 28 | 28 | 28 | 28 | 28 | 28 | 28 | 28 | 28 |
| $60+$ | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 |

GENDER

|  | Wave 1 | Wave 2 | Wave 3 | Wave 4 | Wave 5 | Wave 6 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Male | 48 | 48 | 48 | 48 | 48 | 49 | 49 | 48 | 48 |
| Female | 52 | 52 | 52 | 52 | 52 | 51 | 51 | 52 | 52 |

## EDUCATION

|  | Wave 1 | Wave 2 | Wave 3 | Wave 4 | Wave 5 | Wave 6 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Less than high school | 13 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 13 | 13 |
| High school | 32 | 32 | 32 | 31 | 31 | 31 | 31 | 31 | 31 |
| Some college | 28 | 27 | 28 | 28 | 28 | 28 | 28 | 28 | 28 |
| Bachelors degree or | 27 | 27 | 27 | 27 | 27 | 27 | 27 | 28 | 28 |
| higher |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## RACE / ETHNICITY

|  | Wave 1 | Wave 2 | Wave 3 | Wave 4 | Wave 5 | Wave 6 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| White, Non-Hispanic | 70 | 69 | 69 | 69 | 69 | 69 | 69 | 69 | 69 |
| Black, Non-Hispanic | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 |
| Other, Non-Hispanic | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| Hispanic | 12 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 |
| 2+ Races, Non-Hispanic | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

## MARITAL STATUS

|  | Wave 1 | Wave 2 | Wave 3 | Wave 4 | Wave 5 | Wave 6 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Married | 60 | 59 | 59 | 59 | 59 | 57 | 57 | 58 | 57 |
| Single (never married) | 22 | 22 | 22 | 22 | 22 | 24 | 24 | 24 | 24 |
| Divorced | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 13 | 13 | 12 | 12 | 13 |
| Widowed | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Separated | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |

## HOUSEHOLD SIZE

|  | Wave 1 | Wave 2 | Wave 3 | Wave 4 | Wave 5 | Wave 6 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 18 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 18 | 18 |
| 2 | 38 | 38 | 38 | 38 | 38 | 38 | 37 | 39 | 39 |
| 3 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 19 | 17 | 16 |
| 4 | 16 | 16 | 15 | 16 | 16 | 16 | 16 | 16 | 16 |
| 5 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 6 | 7 |
| $6+$ | 3 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 3 |

## CHILDREN LIVING IN HOUSEHOLD

|  | Wave 1 | Wave 2 | Wave 3 | Wave 4 | Wave 5 | Wave 6 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| TOTAL ANY CHILDREN | 32 | 31 | 31 | 30 | 31 | 28 | 30 | 28 | 27 |
| Under 6 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 10 |
| 6-12 | 16 | 16 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 14 |
| 13-17 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 14 | 12 | 12 |
| TOTAL NO CHILDREN | 68 | 69 | 69 | 70 | 69 | 72 | 72 | 72 | 73 |

REGION

|  | Wave 1 | Wave 2 | Wave 3 | Wave 4 | Wave 5 | Wave 6 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Northeast | 19 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 19 | 18 |
| Midwest | 22 | 22 | 22 | 22 | 22 | 22 | 22 | 22 | 22 |
| South | 36 | 36 | 36 | 36 | 37 | 36 | 37 | 36 | 37 |
| West | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 |

## METROPOLITAN STATUS

|  | Wave 1 | Wave 2 | Wave 3 | Wave 4 | Wave 5 | Wave 6 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Non-Metro | 16 | 16 | 16 | 16 | 16 | 16 | 16 | 16 | 16 |
| Metro | 84 | 84 | 84 | 84 | 84 | 84 | 84 | 84 | 84 |

## WORK STATUS

| WORK | Wave 1 | Wave 2 | Wave 3 | Wave 4 | Wave 5 | Wave 6 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| TOTAL EMPLOYED | 58 | 59 | 58 | 59 | 59 | 59 | 59 | 59 | 60 |
| I work as a paid employee | 52 | 53 | 52 | 52 | 53 | 53 | 53 | 53 | 53 |
| I am self-employed | 4 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 5 |
| I am an owner/partner in small business, professional practice, farm | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| I work at least $15 \mathrm{hrs} / \mathrm{wk}$ w/o pay in family business/farm | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| TOTAL NOT EMPLOYED | 42 | 41 | 42 | 41 | 41 | 41 | 41 | 41 | 40 |
| I am unemployed, temporarily laid off, but looking for work | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 4 |
| I am retired | 14 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 14 |
| I am disabled | 8 | 8 | 9 | 8 | 9 | 9 | 8 | 9 | 8 |
| I am a homemaker | 11 | 10 | 11 | 10 | 10 | 11 | 11 | 12 | 11 |
| Other | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |

INCOME
Under $\$ 15,000$
$\$ 15,000$ to less than $\$ 20,000$
$\$ 20,000$ to less than $\$ 25,000$
$\$ 25,000$ to less than $\$ 30,000$
$\$ 30,000$ to less than $\$ 40,000$
$\$ 40,000$ to less than $\$ 50,000$
$\$ 50,000$ to less than $\$ 75,000$
$\$ 75,000$ to less than $\$ 100,000$
$\$ 100,000$ or more

| Wave 1 | Wave 2 | Wave 3 | Wave 4 | Wave 5 | Wave 6 | Wave 7 | Wave 8 | Wave 9 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 15 | 15 | 15 | 14 | 15 | 14 | 15 | 13 | 14 |
| 5 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| 7 | 8 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 8 | 8 |
| 6 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 6 | 6 |
| 15 | 15 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 15 | 15 | 14 |
| 12 | 12 | 12 | 13 | 12 | 12 | 11 | 11 | 11 |
| 21 | 21 | 21 | 21 | 21 | 22 | 22 | 21 | 22 |
| 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 12 | 11 |
| 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 9 | 9 | 10 | 10 |

## METHODOLOGY

The survey was conducted using the web-enabled KnowledgePanel ${ }^{\text {SM }}$, a probability-based Panel designed to be representative of the U.S. population. Initially, participants are chosen scientifically by a random selection of telephone numbers. Persons in selected households are then invited by telephone to participate in the web-enabled KnowledgePanel ${ }^{\text {SM }}$. For those who agree to participate, but do not already have Internet access, Knowledge Networks provides at no cost an Internet appliance and Internet service connection. People who already have computers and Internet service are permitted to participate using their own equipment. Panelists then receive unique log-in information for accessing surveys online, and then are sent emails three to four times a month inviting them to participate in research. More technical information is available at http://www.knowledgenetworks.com/ganp/reviewerinfo.html.

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