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

Interview dates: December 8 – 12, 2011 Number of interviews: 1,000

Margin of error for the total sample: +/- 4.0 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.

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CUR1. Generally speaking, would you say things in this country are heading in the right direction or in the wrong direction?

	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	12/10-14/09	НІСН 4/16-20/09	LOW 10/16-20/08	1 Year Ago 11/3-8/10
Right direction	26	24	21	33	45	35	37	37	38	39	40	35	37	35	41	46	48	17	37
Wrong direction	70	72	75	63	52	62	57	58	59	59	57	60	60	59	57	50	44	78	58
Don't know [VOL]	4	5	4	3	3	3	6	5	3	3	2	4	2	5	2	5	7	5	5
Refused [VOL]	*	*	*	1	*	*	1	*	1	-	ı	1	*	*	*	1	1	1	*

CUR20. When you think about how things are going in your life in general, would you say you are very happy, somewhat happy, neither happy nor unhappy, somewhat unhappy, or very unhappy?

	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	НІGН 5/5-9/11	60/80-E0/6 MOT	1 Year Ago 11/3-8/10
Total happy	76	75	78	80	81	80	77	80	80	80	78	75	78	80	78	81	75	80
Very happy	35	33	30	35	37	35	39	34	38	40	39	30	34	36	35	37	32	34
Somewhat happy	41	42	48	45	44	45	39	46	42	40	40	45	44	44	42	44	43	46
Neither happy nor unhappy	6	6	4	6	4	5	8	7	4	3	7	8	7	7	6	4	7	7
Total unhappy	18	18	17	14	14	15	15	13	16	17	15	16	15	14	16	14	17	13
Somewhat unhappy	12	11	11	8	9	11	11	8	10	11	11	11	10	10	10	9	11	8
Very unhappy	6	7	6	6	5	4	4	5	6	6	4	6	5	4	6	5	6	5
Don't know [VOL]	1	*	*	-	*	*	*	*	*	0	-	*	*	*	*	*	1	*
Refused [VOL]	*	-	*	*	-	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	1	-	*	*







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CUR3. Overall, please tell me whether you approve, disapprove, or neither approve nor disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president.

[IF "APPROVE," ASK:] Is that strongly approve or somewhat approve?

[IF "DISAPPROVE," ASK:] Is that strongly disapprove or somewhat disapprove?

[IF "NEITHER," ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president?

	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	3/3-8/10	1/12-17/10	HIGH 2/12-17/09	LOW 12/8-12/11	1 Year Ago 11/3-8/10
Total approve	44	46	46	52	60	53	53	47	49	45	49	49	50	49	49	53	56	67	44	47
Strongly approve	19	20	19	24	32	24	24	24	23	29	22	23	24	23	24	24	29	37	19	24
Somewhat approve	20	20	20	21	23	25	23	20	21	14	23	21	20	21	22	22	22	23	20	20
Lean approve	6	5	6	6	6	5	6	3	5	2	4	5	5	5	4	7	5	8	6	3
Neither—don't lean [VOL]	1	1	1	*	1	2	1	1	1	*	*	*	1	*	1	1	1	4	1	1
Total disapprove	54	52	52	47	39	45	46	51	50	54	50	50	49	50	50	46	42	24	54	51
Lean disapprove	4	4	3	4	4	5	5	4	4	1	5	4	5	5	3	3	4	4	4	4
Somewhat disapprove	12	12	13	12	10	11	12	12	12	10	12	10	13	12	10	12	9	4	12	12
Strongly disapprove	38	36	36	30	25	29	29	35	35	43	33	36	31	33	36	31	29	16	38	35
Don't know [VOL]	1	1	1	1	*	*	1	1	1	1	1	1	*	1	*	*	1	5	1	1
Refused [VOL]	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	1	*	*	*	*	-	*	*	*	*	*	*	1







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ELE20. Regardless of how you might vote, do you think President Barack Obama...

RANDOMIZE:	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/2-10/11	11/3-8/10*
Deserves to be re-elected	43	46	47	48	53	50	50	39
Deserves to be voted out of office	52	50	48	47	43	47	45	54
Don't know [VOL]	4	4	4	5	3	3	5	7
Refused [VOL]	*	*	1	1	1	*	*	1

Based on: N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=2,001 N=3,001 N=3,





^{*}Note: In the November, 2010 poll, this question was asked only of those who voted in the 2010 election.

ELE37/ELE38. In the election for president in November 2012, if the candidates are [READ LIST], for whom will you vote? [IF NEITHER/DK/REF: Do you lean more toward (Obama) or more toward (Republican)?]

Barack Obama, the Democrat/ Mitt Romney, the Republican	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11
Total Obama	47	48
Initial Obama	45	47
Lean Obama	2	1
Neither	7	5
Total GOP/Republican (Mitt Romney)	46	45
Initial GOP/Republican (Mitt Romney)	43	42
Lean GOP/Republican (Mitt Romney)	3	3
Don't know [VOL]	1	2
Refused [VOL]	*	*

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

Barack Obama, the Democrat/ Newt Gingrich, the Republican	12/8-12/11
Total Obama	51
Initial Obama	49
Lean Obama	2
Neither	6
Total GOP/Republican (Newt Gingrich)	42
Initial GOP/Republican (Newt Gingrich)	39
Lean GOP/Republican (Newt Gingrich)	3
Don't know [VOL]	1
Refused [VOL]	*

Based on: N=1,000







CURX1. How important are the following issues to you personally... Not at all important, slightly important, moderately important, very important or extremely important? How about... [READ EACH ITEM. RANDOMIZE]

The economy	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	HIGH 6/16-20/11	OW 12	1 Year Ago 11/3-8/10
Extremely/Very important	90	93	92	93	90	90	91	88	89	91	92	91	91	92	92	93	87	88
Extremely important	51	55	52	52	51	50	49	45	47	50	47	50	50	49	47	52	42	45
Very important	39	38	41	41	39	40	42	43	42	41	46	42	41	42	44	41	45	43
Moderately important	7	4	5	5	6	8	7	9	9	8	6	7	7	7	7	5	9	9
Slightly/Not at all important	3	3	3	1	4	2	2	3	2	1	2	1	3	2	2	1	4	3
Slightly important	2	2	2	1	3	1	2	3	2	1	1	1	2	2	2	1	3	3
Not at all important	1	1	1	*	1	1	1	*	*	*	1	*	*	*	*	*	1	*
Don't know [VOL]	-	-	*	-	*	-	*	*	*	-	-	*	*	*	-	-	*	*
Refused [VOL]	-	-	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	-
Resed on:	N=1,000	N=1,000	N=1,001	N=1,001	N=1,001	N=1,001	N=1,001	N=1,000	N=1,501	N=846	N=1,000	N=1,007	N=1,044	N=1,002	N=1,001	N=1,001	N=1,001	N=1,000







This CURX1 item previously released

CURX1. (Continued) How important are the following issues to you personally... Not at all important, slightly important, moderately important, very important or extremely important? How about... [READ EACH ITEM. RANDOMIZE]

The situation in Iraq	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	HIGH 10/1-5/09	LOW 12/8-12/11	1 Year Ago 11/3-8/10
Extremely/Very important	51	58	55	58	54	52	62	59	57	57	63	63	67	63	62	67	51	59
Extremely important	20	27	23	24	23	21	27	25	22	24	28	29	32	31	27	30	20	25
Very important	31	32	32	34	31	31	35	34	34	33	35	34	35	32	35	37	31	34
Moderately important	27	22	27	26	24	29	23	23	25	26	23	24	20	24	21	21	27	23
Slightly/Not at all important	22	19	16	16	21	18	15	16	18	17	14	13	13	13	17	12	22	16
Slightly important	14	12	10	12	16	12	8	12	12	11	10	10	9	7	12	9	14	12
Not at all important	8	7	6	4	5	6	6	4	6	6	4	3	4	6	5	3	8	4
Don't know [VOL]	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	*	*	*	1	*	*	*	1	1	1
Refused [VOL]	*	-	*	*	*	-	-	1	*	*	-	-	*	*	-	*	*	1

Health care	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10		LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	HIGH 6/16-20/11	LOW 3/3-8/10	1 Year Ago 11/3-8/10
Extremely/Very important	76	79	79	83	77	80	80	78	80	80	82	80	77	80	80	83	73	78
Extremely important	38	42	43	44	42	44	39	38	41	43	43	44	42	42	43	44	40	38
Very important	38	37	35	39	35	36	41	41	39	37	39	35	36	38	36	39	33	41
Moderately important	15	15	14	11	16	12	13	13	13	12	11	13	15	12	11	11	17	13
Slightly/Not at all important	9	6	7	5	7	7	7	8	7	8	7	8	8	8	9	5	9	8
Slightly important	7	4	5	4	5	6	5	6	5	5	5	5	6	5	6	4	6	6
Not at all important	2	2	2	2	2	1	2	2	3	3	2	3	2	3	3	2	3	2
Don't know [VOL]	*	1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	-	*	*	*	*	*	1	*
Refused [VOL]	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	-	1	-	-







CURX1. (Continued) How important are the following issues to you personally... Not at all important, slightly important, moderately important, very important or extremely important? How about... [READ EACH ITEM. RANDOMIZE]

Terrorism Extremely/Very	69 12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	2/2-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/2-10/11	11/3-8/10	18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	78 6/9-14/10	81 2/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	8 HIGH 1/12-17/10	6 Low 12/8-12/11	1 Year Ago 11/3-8/10
important																		
Extremely important	39	40	41	38	41	40	42	37	36	36	40	40	48	45	42	48	39	37
Very important	30	34	33	36	33	34	36	40	36	33	37	34	30	35	36	35	30	40
Moderately important	18	16	13	15	15	16	13	14	17	20	14	16	14	12	14	12	18	14
Slightly/Not at all important	13	10	13	10	11	11	8	9	11	11	9	10	8	7	9	6	13	9
Slightly important	7	6	9	6	7	7	4	6	7	7	5	6	6	5	7	4	7	6
Not at all important	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	4	4	4	4	2	3	2	2	5	3
Don't know [VOL]	*	*	*	1	*	*	1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Refused [VOL]	-	-	-	*	-	*	*	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*

The environment	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	HIGH 6/9-14/10	LOW 10/13-17/11	1 Year Ago 11/3-8/10
Extremely/Very important	60	58	63	66	66	66	67	60	59	52	65	60	72	64	59	72	58	60
Extremely important	25	26	30	29	33	30	30	26	26	23	28	28	37	32	27	37	26	26
Very important	35	32	33	38	34	36	37	34	33	29	37	32	35	32	32	35	32	34
Moderately important	24	26	24	22	18	22	21	24	27	29	22	24	19	22	24	19	26	24
Slightly/Not at all important	17	15	12	11	15	12	11	16	15	19	13	16	9	14	17	9	15	16
Slightly important	13	13	8	9	12	9	10	11	10	13	10	11	7	10	11	7	13	11
Not at all important	4	3	4	3	3	3	2	5	5	6	4	4	1	4	6	1	3	5
Don't know [VOL]	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	-	-	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Refused [VOL]	*	-	-	*	*	-	*	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	-	*







CURX1. (Continued) How important are the following issues to you personally... Not at all important, slightly important, moderately important, very important or extremely important? How about... [READ EACH ITEM. RANDOMIZE]

Federal budget deficit	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	HIGH 10/13-17/11	LOW 12/10-14/09	1 Year Ago 11/3-8/10
Extremely/Very important	76	80	78	78	76	76	76	73	72	77	75	75	77	76	77	80	71	73
Extremely important	41	44	46	41	39	41	40	35	34	41	38	41	42	41	43	44	35	35
Very important	34	36	33	36	36	35	36	37	38	37	37	34	34	35	34	36	37	37
Moderately important	14	12	13	15	16	16	16	15	17	15	17	17	15	16	16	12	19	15
Slightly/Not at all important	10	7	8	7	8	8	8	12	10	8	8	8	7	8	6	7	9	12
Slightly important	7	5	6	5	5	6	5	8	7	6	5	6	6	6	5	5	6	8
Not at all important	3	2	2	2	3	3	3	4	3	1	3	2	2	2	1	2	3	4
Don't know [VOL]	*	1	*	1	*	*	1	1	*	*	*	*	1	1	1	1	1	1
Refused [VOL]	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	*	-	-	-	-	*	- N-1.00	-	-

Energy	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	HIGH 6/16-20/11	LOW 8/11-16/10	1 Year Ago 11/3-8/10
Extremely/Very important	68	67	73	77	74	74	74	67	67	67	70	64	74	73	70	77	64	67
Extremely important	28	29	35	34	35	37	31	25	27	28	29	29	32	31	32	34	29	25
Very important	41	38	38	43	39	37	44	42	41	39	41	35	43	41	37	43	35	42
Moderately important	23	22	19	17	19	18	18	23	23	24	19	23	18	19	21	17	23	23
Slightly/Not at all important	9	10	8	6	6	8	8	11	10	9	11	12	8	9	9	6	12	11
Slightly important	8	9	6	5	5	7	7	9	8	8	10	11	7	8	8	5	11	9
Not at all important	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Don't know [VOL]	*	1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	-	*	*	*	-	*	*	*	*
Refused [VOL]	-	-	-	*	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	*	*	-	-	*	*	-







CURX1. (Continued) How important are the following issues to you personally... Not at all important, slightly important, moderately important, very important or extremely important? How about... [READ EACH ITEM. RANDOMIZE]

Taxes	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	_ ∞	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	HIGH 1/12-17/10	LOW 10/1/-5/09	1 Year Ago 11/3-8/10
Extremely/Very important	69	73	72	73	69	68	71	70	69	73	71	69	68	69	67	74	66	70
Extremely important	34	32	33	34	35	31	34	30	31	34	32	34	36	35	35	34	32	30
Very important	35	41	39	39	34	38	37	40	39	39	39	35	33	34	33	40	35	40
Moderately important	22	21	18	18	22	22	19	21	21	19	20	20	20	21	24	19	23	21
Slightly/Not at all important	10	6	9	9	9	10	9	9	10	8	9	11	11	10	9	8	10	9
Slightly important	7	5	6	8	7	7	7	7	7	6	7	8	8	7	8	6	9	7
Not at all important	3	2	3	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	2	2	1	2
Don't know [VOL]	*	*	1	-	*	*	*	-	*	-	*	*	*	1	*	*	*	-
Refused [VOL]	*	-	*	*	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	*	-
Based on:	N-1.000	N=1,000	N=1000	N-1001	N=1 001	N=1.001	N=1.001	N=1.000	N=1.501	N=846	N=1.007	N=1.044	N=1.002	N=1.001	N=1.002	N=1.001	N=1.001	N=1.000

LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10 **HIGH** 6/9-14/10 LOW 8/18-22/11 Year Ago 10/13-18/10 10/13-17/11 11/3-8/10 12/8-12/11 8/18-22/11 6/16-20/11 3/24-28/11 8/11-16/10 1/3-8/10 6/9-14/10 5/7-11/10 1/2-10/11 9/8-13/10 4/7-12/10 5/5-9/11 TOTAL Immigration... **Extremely/Very** important Extremely important Very important Moderately important Slightly/Not at all important Slightly important Not at all important * * * * * * * * * Don't know [VOL] * * * Refused [VOL] * * *

Based on: N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,000 N=1,501 N=046 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,007 N=1,044 N=1,002 N=1,001 N=1,000 N=1,00







CURX1. (Continued) How important are the following issues to you personally... Not at all important, slightly important, moderately important, very important or extremely important? How about... [READ EACH ITEM. RANDOMIZE]

The situation in Afghanistan	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	НІСН 9/8-13/10	LOW 3/24-28/11	1 Year Ago 11/3-8/10
Extremely/Very important	56	61	61	63	59	55	64	64	65	68	73	70	70	67	64	73	55	64
Extremely important	23	27	28	26	27	21	30	28	28	29	31	35	32	29	28	31	21	28
Very important	32	34	33	38	32	34	34	37	37	39	42	35	39	37	37	42	34	37
Moderately important	26	22	23	23	24	28	22	22	22	24	16	20	18	22	23	16	28	22
Slightly/Not at all important	18	16	15	13	16	17	14	14	13	8	11	10	11	11	13	11	17	14
Slightly important	11	9	9	8	11	11	8	10	9	6	9	6	8	6	9	9	11	10
Not at all important	7	6	7	4	5	6	6	3	3	3	3	3	4	5	4	3	6	3
Don't know [VOL]	*	1	1	1	1	1	1	*	1	*	*	1	1	*	*	*	1	*
Refused [VOL]	*	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	*	*	-	*	*	*	-	-	-	-







CURX1. (Continued) How important are the following issues to you personally... Not at all important, slightly important, moderately important, very important or extremely important? How about... [READ EACH ITEM. RANDOMIZE]

Relationships with other countries	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	НІСН 4/16-20/09	LOW 10/13-17/11	1 Year Ago 11/3-8/10
Extremely/Very important	61	56	59	60	61	64	63	57	58	57	61	63	64	63	65	68	56	57
Extremely important	24	21	25	24	26	26	23	20	23	22	23	27	29	22	27	28	21	20
Very important	37	35	34	36	35	38	40	38	36	34	39	36	35	41	38	40	35	38
Moderately important	25	29	27	26	26	26	24	24	28	30	23	23	23	24	22	21	29	24
Slightly/Not at all important	13	14	15	13	13	11	13	19	14	13	15	13	13	14	13	11	14	19
Slightly important	10	11	10	9	10	7	10	13	10	9	11	11	10	9	9	8	11	13
Not at all important	4	4	5	4	3	4	4	6	4	3	4	3	3	5	4	3	4	6
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IKELY VOTERS HIGH 9/8-13/10 OW 5/5-9/11 **TOTAL** 10/13-18/10 **1 Year Ago** 11/3-8/10 10/13-18/10 10/13-17/11 12/8-12/11 8/18-22/11 5/16-20/11 3/24-28/11 8/11-16/10 11/3-8/10 9/8-13/10 6/9-14/10 5/7-11/10 4/7-12/10 1/2-10/11 5/5-9/11 Unemployment... Extremely/Very important Extremely important Very important <u>4</u>5 **Moderately important** Slightly/Not at all important Slightly important Not at all important * * * * Don't know [VOL] * Refused [VOL] * _ * *

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CURX1. (Continued) How important are the following issues to you personally... Not at all important, slightly important, moderately important, very important or extremely important? How about... [READ EACH ITEM. RANDOMIZE]

Gas prices	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	HIGH 5/5-9/11	Low 9/8-13/10	1 Year Ago 11/3-8/10
Extremely/Very important	65	65	70	75	79	77	71	54	56	51	54	55	62	66	66	79	54	54
Extremely important	30	33	34	39	47	42	36	23	23	21	23	24	28	34	32	47	23	23
Very important	35	32	36	36	32	35	35	30	33	30	31	32	35	31	34	32	31	30
Moderately important	23	22	19	14	14	16	19	30	29	34	28	27	25	19	23	14	28	30
Slightly/Not at all important	12	13	12	10	7	7	10	15	15	16	18	18	13	15	11	7	18	15
Slightly important	10	8	9	8	5	5	8	12	10	11	11	12	11	10	10	5	11	12
Not at all important	3	5	3	2	2	2	3	3	5	5	7	6	2	5	2	2	7	3
Don't know [VOL]	*	-	*	-	*	-	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	-	*	*	*	*
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Education	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10
Extremely/Very important	82	86	86	87	85	86	85	83	81	77	82	83	83	82
Extremely important	42	46	45	47	47	48	47	41	39	40	41	43	44	42
Very important	40	40	41	41	38	38	37	42	42	38	42	40	39	40
Moderately important	14	9	11	9	11	9	10	12	13	17	13	13	12	14
Slightly/Not at all important	4	5	4	4	4	5	5	5	6	7	5	5	6	5
Slightly important	3	4	3	3	3	3	4	5	5	5	4	3	5	4
Not at all important	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	*	1	1	1	2	1	1
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Based on:

CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR REFUSED IN CURX2, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling... [INSERT ITEM]?

The economy	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	HIGH 4/16-20/09	LOW 8/18-22/11	1 Year Ago 11/3-8/10
Total approve	39	40	36	40	52	47	47	41	43	42	42	41	45	45	44	58	36	41
Strongly approve	14	14	11	14	21	18	18	16	15	17	17	16	18	18	20	30	11	16
Somewhat approve	24	24	24	26	30	27	28	24	28	23	23	26	27	26	24	28	24	24
Lean approve	1	2	1	1	2	2	1	1	2	2	2	-	-	*	*	*	1	1
Neither approve nor disapprove	1	*	1	1	1	*	1	1	*	*	1	3	5	4	5	6	1	1
Total disapprove	60	60	63	59	47	53	53	58	55	58	58	56	50	52	51	35	63	58
Lean disapprove	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	2	*	*	*	-	*	1	1
Somewhat disapprove	15	13	14	17	15	17	14	17	13	12	16	15	16	15	14	10	14	17
Strongly disapprove	43	46	48	40	31	35	38	40	40	45	39	41	34	36	38	25	48	40
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CURX2. (Continued) And please tell me if you approve, disapprove or neither approve nor disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling each of the following issues. How about... [PROBE FOR APPROVE/DISAPPROVE: Strongly or somewhat?]

CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR REFUSED IN CURX2, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling... [INSERT ITEM]?

The situation in Iraq	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	HIGH 5/5-9/11	~	1 Year Ago 11/3-8/10
Total approve	55	51	51	52	62	55	57	54	56	53	60	45	46	51	49	62	45	54
Strongly approve	21	20	14	17	23	16	20	18	19	19	24	17	13	21	16	23	17	18
Somewhat approve	32	29	35	31	35	35	35	32	34	31	34	28	32	30	33	35	28	32
Lean approve	2	2	2	4	4	3	2	3	3	3	2	*	*	*	*	4	*	3
Neither approve nor disapprove	2	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	11	14	11	10	1	11	1
Total disapprove	43	46	47	46	36	45	41	45	43	46	39	43	40	38	41	36	43	45
Lean disapprove	3	1	2	2	2	3	2	3	2	2	2	*	*	*	-	2	*	3
Somewhat disapprove	17	19	20	17	19	21	17	19	21	22	16	20	15	19	18	19	20	19
Strongly disapprove	23	26	24	26	15	21	22	24	20	22	21	24	25	19	24	15	24	24
Don't know [VOL]	1	1	1	1	1	*	*	*	*	*	-	*	*	-	-	1	*	*
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CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR REFUSED IN CURX2, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling... [INSERT ITEM]?

Health care	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	HIGH 5/5-9/11	FOW 9	1 Year Ago 11/3-8/10
Total approve	44	45	46	45	54	52	51	48	47	46	50	45	49	45	44	54	42	48
Strongly approve	21	24	23	24	29	27	29	25	26	27	26	24	29	30	28	29	22	25
Somewhat approve	23	21	22	20	24	24	20	22	19	18	22	21	20	16	17	24	19	22
Lean approve	*	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	2	1	2	*	*	*	*	1	1	1
Neither approve nor disapprove	*	1	1	1	*	*	1	1	*	*	*	2	4	4	4	*	6	1
Total disapprove	55	54	53	54	46	48	49	51	53	54	50	53	46	51	52	46	52	51
Lean disapprove	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	*	*	1	*	1
Somewhat disapprove	13	10	11	12	11	10	11	10	9	4	11	11	10	9	7	11	10	10
Strongly disapprove	40	42	42	41	34	37	37	40	43	49	39	42	36	42	45	34	43	40
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CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR REFUSED IN CURX2, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling... [INSERT ITEM]?

Terrorism	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	HIGH 5/5-9/11		1 Year Ago 11/3-8/10
Total approve	60	64	60	63	72	61	62	57	60	54	58	49	50	53	50	72	44	57
Strongly approve	27	30	30	31	40	25	24	22	25	23	23	24	22	25	22	40	18	22
Somewhat approve	32	30	28	30	31	33	36	32	32	28	32	25	27	27	28	31	26	32
Lean approve	1	3	2	2	1	3	2	3	3	3	2	*	*	*	*	1	1	3
Neither approve nor disapprove	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	11	8	8	1	14	1
Total disapprove	37	34	38	36	27	38	37	41	40	46	42	41	40	39	41	27	42	41
Lean disapprove	2	2	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	*	*	*	*	2	*	2
Somewhat disapprove	15	12	13	12	11	17	14	19	14	16	13	14	13	15	14	11	13	19
Strongly disapprove	21	19	22	21	14	20	22	20	24	29	27	27	26	24	27	14	28	20
Don't know [VOL]	1	1	1	*	*	*	1	*	*	-	-	*	-	-	-	*	*	*
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CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR REFUSED IN CURX2, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling... [INSERT ITEM]?

The environment	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	HIGH 5/5-9/11	LOW 6/9-14/10	1 Year Ago 11/3-8/10
Total approve	55	57	57	57	65	63	63	58	59	55	62	50	50	54	50	65	50	58
Strongly approve	15	17	19	17	22	19	20	19	20	20	17	17	21	20	18	22	21	19
Somewhat approve	37	35	35	37	40	38	36	34	34	32	41	33	29	33	32	40	29	34
Lean approve	4	5	4	4	3	6	7	5	5	4	4	*	*	*	*	3	*	5
Neither approve nor disapprove	1	2	2	2	1	2	2	3	2	2	1	15	13	15	14	1	13	3
Total disapprove	41	38	39	40	32	35	35	39	39	43	37	35	37	32	35	32	37	39
Lean disapprove	3	3	3	4	4	4	4	3	4	3	2	*	*	1	*	4	*	3
Somewhat disapprove	17	18	18	18	14	17	17	20	19	18	18	17	16	15	16	14	16	20
Strongly disapprove	20	17	18	18	15	15	14	16	17	21	16	19	21	16	20	15	21	16
Don't know [VOL]	3	3	2	1	2	-	*	1	1	1	*	-	*	-	*	2	*	1
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CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR REFUSED IN CURX2, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling... [INSERT ITEM]?

Federal budget deficit	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	HIGH 4/16-20/09	60/8-8/6	1 Year Ago 11/3-8/10
Total approve	36	40	35	35	47	41	39	36	40	38	38	37	37	35	34	49	33	36
Strongly approve	11	15	12	10	16	13	12	12	12	14	10	10	12	13	13	23	11	12
Somewhat approve	24	23	22	24	27	25	24	23	25	21	25	27	24	22	20	26	21	23
Lean approve	1	3	1	2	3	3	3	2	3	2	4	*	1	*	*	*	1	2
Neither approve nor disapprove	1	1	1	1	1	*	1	1	1	1	1	6	10	9	8	8	12	1
Total disapprove	62	57	64	63	52	58	60	62	59	61	61	56	54	56	58	41	56	62
Lean disapprove	2	1	2	3	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	-	*	-	*	*	*	2
Somewhat disapprove	16	12	15	18	15	17	16	17	13	9	15	13	16	14	11	10	12	17
Strongly disapprove	44	44	47	43	36	39	42	42	44	51	45	43	38	41	47	31	43	42
Don't know [VOL]	2	1	*	1	1	-	-	1	*	*	*	*	*	-	*	2	-	1
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CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR REFUSED IN CURX2, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling... [INSERT ITEM]?

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Energy	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	HIGH	LOW 8/11-	1 Year Ago 11/3-8/10
Total approve	50	53	52	54	59	59	60	56	57	50	59	47	52	52	51	60	47	56
Strongly approve	15	17	17	16	23	18	18	19	20	19	19	13	20	20	18	28	13	19
Somewhat approve	32	34	33	35	34	37	36	32	33	28	36	34	32	32	33	32	34	32
Lean approve	3	2	3	3	3	5	5	5	4	3	4	*	*	*	*	*	*	5
Neither approve nor disapprove	2	2	1	2	1	1	1	4	2	1	1	10	12	11	13	16	10	4
Total disapprove	45	44	45	43	38	40	39	40	42	49	40	43	36	36	36	22	43	40
Lean disapprove	3	3	2	3	2	3	3	4	2	2	3	-	*	-	1	*	-	4
Somewhat disapprove	17	18	20	16	15	17	19	21	21	23	16	22	17	17	15	12	22	21
Strongly disapprove	26	23	23	24	22	21	17	16	19	25	21	21	19	19	21	10	21	16
Don't know [VOL]	3	1	2	2	1	*	1	1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	2	*	1
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CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR REFUSED IN CURX2, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling... [INSERT ITEM]?

Taxes	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	HIGH 4/16-20/09	LOW 9/3-8	/ear 1/3-
Total approve	46	43	40	45	48	47	48	46	46	43	47	42	44	42	41	54	38	46
Strongly approve	18	18	14	12	19	15	17	15	17	17	16	15	18	19	15	27	13	15
Somewhat approve	26	23	24	31	26	30	28	29	28	25	29	26	26	23	26	27	24	29
Lean approve	2	3	1	2	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	*	*	*	*	*	*	2
Neither approve nor disapprove	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	10	9	9	11	13	1
Total disapprove	52	56	59	53	50	52	52	53	52	56	52	50	45	49	51	35	50	53
Lean disapprove	1	2	2	2	2	3	3	2	2	2	2	*	-	*	*	-	*	2
Somewhat disapprove	16	18	19	17	20	18	19	18	16	13	17	16	15	15	15	9	15	18
Strongly disapprove	35	35	38	34	28	31	30	33	34	42	33	34	30	34	36	26	34	33
Don't know [VOL]	1	*	1	1	1	*	*	*	*	*	-	-	*	*	*	1	*	*
Refused [VOL]	*	*	*	*	*	-	-	-	*	-	*	*	-	-	*	-	-	-







CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR REFUSED IN CURX2, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling... [INSERT ITEM]?

Immigration	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	HIGH 5/5-9/11	60/8-£/6 MOT	1 Year Ago 11/3-8/10
Total approve	41	43	43	43	52	50	47	43	46	43	40	39	36	38	34	52	34	43
Strongly approve	10	12	14	11	18	13	16	11	13	14	12	15	13	13	11	18	9	11
Somewhat approve	28	27	27	29	29	32	27	28	29	23	24	23	23	24	23	29	24	28
Lean approve	4	4	3	3	5	5	4	4	5	6	4	1	*	1	*	5	1	4
Neither approve nor disapprove	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	2	2	2	1	10	13	13	19	1	20	2
Total disapprove	56	52	53	54	46	49	51	55	52	55	59	51	51	50	46	46	46	55
Lean disapprove	3	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	1	2	*	*	*	*	3	1	3
Somewhat disapprove	22	17	19	15	19	17	16	17	15	13	16	12	14	16	16	19	14	17
Strongly disapprove	31	32	32	36	25	30	32	35	35	41	40	38	37	34	30	25	31	35
Don't know [VOL]	1	3	2	1	1	*	*	1	*	*	*	*	*	*	1	1	*	1
Refused [VOL]	*	*	*	-	*	-	*	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	*	*







CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR REFUSED IN CURX2, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling... [INSERT ITEM]?

The situation in Afghanistan	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	нібн 5/5-9/11	LOW 11/5-9/09	1 Year Ago 11/3-8/10
Total approve	51	48	50	52	65	55	54	48	52	53	53	44	47	49	51	65	42	48
Strongly approve	16	17	14	18	26	15	17	14	15	16	17	15	13	19	18	26	14	14
Somewhat approve	32	27	33	33	36	35	34	31	34	33	33	29	33	30	33	36	27	31
Lean approve	3	4	3	2	3	5	3	3	3	3	4	*	1	*	1	3	1	3
Neither approve nor disapprove	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13	11	12	11	1	10	1
Total disapprove	47	50	49	46	34	45	44	50	47	46	46	43	41	39	38	34	48	50
Lean disapprove	3	2	2	3	1	3	3	4	2	1	2	*	1	*	*	1	*	4
Somewhat disapprove	19	20	21	19	17	21	20	23	22	22	21	18	17	21	17	17	17	23
Strongly disapprove	24	28	26	25	15	20	22	24	22	23	23	26	24	18	21	15	30	24
Don't know [VOL]	1	1	1	1	1	*	*	*	*	*	-	*	*	*	-	1	*	*
Refused [VOL]	*	*	*	-	*	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	*	*	-







CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR REFUSED IN CURX2, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling... [INSERT ITEM]?

Relationships with other countries	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	∞	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	HIGH 4/16-20/09	60/8-E/6 MOT	1 Year Ago 11/3-8/10
Total approve	55	59	59	59	69	62	61	58	60	55	59	55	57	58	55	69	53	58
Strongly approve	22	24	25	24	30	30	29	23	27	28	25	26	29	27	28	41	27	23
Somewhat approve	31	32	32	32	36	31	31	34	30	25	32	29	28	31	27	27	25	34
Lean approve	2	3	2	3	3	2	2	1	3	2	2	1	*	*	*	*	*	1
Neither approve nor disapprove	2	1	1	1	*	1	1	1	1	*	1	9	10	10	9	9	11	1
Total disapprove	42	39	38	39	30	37	38	41	39	44	39	36	33	32	36	22	37	41
Lean disapprove	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	3	*	*	*	-	*	*	3
Somewhat disapprove	16	16	15	13	13	17	15	18	16	15	14	15	11	12	12	10	16	18
Strongly disapprove	24	21	21	23	15	17	20	19	21	28	23	21	23	20	24	12	21	19
Don't know [VOL]	1	1	2	1	1	*	*	*	*	-	-	*	-	*	*	1	_	*
Refused [VOL]	*	*	-	*	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	-







CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR REFUSED IN CURX2, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling... [INSERT ITEM]?

Unemployment	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	∞	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	HIGH 4/16-20/09	LOW 10/13-17/11	1 Year Ago 11/3-8/10
Total approve	45	40	40	40	52	49	47	43	45	41	42	43	42	43	43	59	40	43
Strongly approve	16	16	13	12	18	19	19	16	14	15	16	16	16	19	16	28	16	16
Somewhat approve	26	22	25	26	31	29	26	25	28	24	23	28	26	24	27	30	22	25
Lean approve	2	2	2	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	3	*	*	*	*	*	2	2
Neither approve nor disapprove	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	11	9	6	12	1	1
Total disapprove	53	59	59	59	47	50	52	56	54	58	58	51	47	48	50	29	59	56
Lean disapprove	2	2	1	2	2	2	2	3	2	2	2	*	*	*	*	*	2	3
Somewhat disapprove	16	15	15	18	17	17	18	19	16	13	21	15	15	15	15	12	15	19
Strongly disapprove	35	42	43	39	28	31	32	35	37	44	35	35	32	32	35	17	42	35
Don't know [VOL]	1	1	*	1	1	*	*	*	*	-	-	*	*	-	*	1	1	*
Refused [VOL]	-	*	-	-	*	-	-	-	*	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	*	-







CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR REFUSED IN CURX2, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling... [INSERT ITEM]?

Gas prices	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	∞	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	HIGH 4/16-20/09	LOW 5/7-11/10	1 Year Ago 11/3-8/10
Total approve	39	39	36	34	35	36	37	43	49	46	51	39	40	33	33	51	33	43
Strongly approve	10	11	10	8	11	11	10	10	11	11	11	9	11	10	9	19	10	10
Somewhat approve	25	23	22	23	20	22	22	27	32	29	31	29	29	24	24	32	24	27
Lean approve	4	5	4	4	3	3	5	6	7	6	9	*	*	*	*	1	*	6
Neither approve nor disapprove	2	3	2	2	2	2	4	5	3	3	4	21	23	19	21	22	19	5
Total disapprove	57	56	61	63	61	63	59	52	49	51	45	40	37	47	46	25	47	52
Lean disapprove	3	4	2	2	4	4	4	4	5	5	4	*	*	*	1	*	*	4
Somewhat disapprove	20	18	21	18	16	18	21	22	21	20	21	20	18	18	18	12	18	22
Strongly disapprove	34	34	38	43	42	40	33	26	23	26	20	20	19	29	27	14	29	26
Don't know [VOL]	2	2	2	1	2	*	1	1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	1	*	1
Refused [VOL]	*	*	*	*	-	-	*	-	*	*	*	-	-	*	-	*	*	-







CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR REFUSED IN CURX2, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling... [INSERT ITEM]?

Education	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	8/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10
Total approve	53	57	55	53	63	61	64	59	60	55	59	53	55	56
Strongly approve	22	24	20	20	28	25	29	25	25	22	25	24	24	25
Somewhat approve	27	31	32	31	33	32	32	31	32	29	30	28	31	32
Lean approve	3	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	4	4	4	*	*	*
Neither approve nor disapprove	2	1	2	2	2	1	2	3	2	2	2	12	16	13
Total disapprove	44	39	41	45	34	38	34	38	38	43	39	36	29	31
Lean disapprove	4	2	3	3	3	2	5	3	3	3	3	*	*	*
Somewhat disapprove	19	18	18	22	15	17	15	19	17	19	16	17	13	15
Strongly disapprove	21	19	19	19	15	19	14	16	18	22	20	19	15	16
Don't know [VOL]	2	2	2	1	2	*	1	*	*	*	*	*	*	-
Refused [VOL]	-	*	-	*	*	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-







Some FAV1 items previously released

FAV1. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable impression of [INSERT NAME]?

[FOR EACH "FAVORABLE," ASK:] Is that very favorable or somewhat favorable? [FOR EACH "UNFAVORABLE," ASK:] Is that very unfavorable or somewhat unfavorable? [RANDOMIZE ITEMS]

Barack Obama	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10
Total favorable	53	54	54	56	63	59	59	55	57	52	57	56	59	57	55
Very favorable	27	30	27	31	39	31	33	33	30	31	33	32	32	34	34
Somewhat favorable	26	24	27	25	25	28	26	22	28	21	24	25	27	22	22
Total unfavorable	46	44	45	43	36	39	40	44	43	48	42	43	40	42	44
Somewhat unfavorable	12	14	13	16	15	14	16	14	14	11	11	12	13	14	13
Very unfavorable	33	31	32	27	21	26	24	30	29	37	31	31	27	28	31
Don't know [VOL]	1	2	2	*	1	1	1	1	*	-	1	1	1	1	1
Refused [VOL]	*	*	*	1	-	*	*	*	*	-	*	*	*	-	1

ELE41. Regardless of how you might vote, do you think President Barack Obama... [READ LIST, RANDOMIZE ORDER]

	12/8-12/11
Will be re-elected	49
Will be voted out of office	48
Don't know [VOL]	4
Refused [VOL]	-

Based on: N=1,000







CURJX. The following are phrases some people use to describe political leaders. For each phrase, please tell me if it describes BARACK OBAMA very well, somewhat well, slightly well, or not at all well. The first phrase is... [RANDOMIZE]

He understands the problems of ordinary Americans	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	1/12-17/10	7/16-20/09	4/16-20/09	2/12-17/09	1/09-14/09
Total Very/Somewhat well	53	57	53	57	63	60	61	54	58	67	67	74	78	81
Very well	31	33	31	32	40	34	34	34	37	41	42	49	51	52
Somewhat well	22	24	22	25	23	26	27	19	21	27	25	25	27	29
Total Slightly/Not at all well	47	43	47	43	37	40	38	47	42	32	32	26	21	18
Slightly well	12	10	11	12	11	11	10	10	11	8	6	10	9	7
Not at all well	35	33	36	31	26	29	28	36	32	24	26	16	12	11
Don't know	*	*	*	*	ı	*	1	-	*	*	1	*	1	1
Refused	-	*	-	-	*	-	*	-	-	*	*	*	-	*

N=1,001

N=1,008

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He will keep America safe	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	1/12-17/10	7/16-20/09	4/16-20/09	2/12-17/09	1/09-14/09
Total Very/Somewhat well	59	60	60	64	69	61	63	58	58	64	64	71	66	77
Very well	30	33	32	33	38	33	31	28	30	33	34	42	36	40
Somewhat well	30	27	28	31	32	28	32	30	28	31	30	29	30	37
Total Slightly/Not at all well	40	40	40	36	30	39	36	41	42	35	35	28	29	21
Slightly well	15	13	14	12	11	12	13	11	11	11	10	10	13	9
Not at all well	26	27	26	24	19	27	23	30	31	24	25	18	16	12
Don't know	*	*	1	1	1	*	1	1	*	1	1	1	6	2
Refused	*	*	*	-	*	-	*	*	*	*	1	*	1	*

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Based on:

CURJX. (Continued) The following are phrases some people use to describe political leaders. For each phrase, please tell me if it describes BARACK OBAMA very well, somewhat well, slightly well, or not at all well. The first phrase is... [RANDOMIZE]

He cares about people like you	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	1/12-17/10	7/16-20/09	4/16-20/09	2/12-17/09	1/09-14/09
Total Very/Somewhat well	53	59	55	58	63	59	63	58	57	65	65	71	76	79
Very well	32	38	35	33	38	36	37	38	36	41	41	50	52	53
Somewhat well	22	22	19	25	25	23	26	19	22	24	24	21	24	26
Total Slightly/Not at all well	46	40	45	41	37	41	36	42	42	35	35	28	22	19
Slightly well	11	10	12	10	12	12	9	9	10	9	7	8	9	7
Not at all well	36	31	33	31	25	28	27	33	32	25	27	19	13	12
Don't know	*	*	1	1	*	*	1	*	1	1	1	2	2	2
Refused	-	*	-	*	*	-	-	*	-	-	-	*	-	*

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

He is a strong leader	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	1/12-17/10	7/16-20/09	4/16-20/09	2/12-17/09	1/09-14/09
Total Very/Somewhat well	53	54	51	60	65	57	62	58	58	67	69	76	75	78
Very well	26	29	24	32	38	34	34	32	36	42	45	54	50	54
Somewhat well	27	25	27	28	27	23	28	26	22	25	23	21	25	24
Total Slightly/Not at all well	47	46	49	40	35	43	38	42	42	32	31	23	21	17
Slightly well	13	12	13	10	12	14	11	11	10	10	10	8	10	8
Not at all well	34	34	36	29	23	29	27	31	32	22	21	16	11	9
Don't know	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	-	*	*	1	1	5	4
Refused	-	*	-	1	*	-	*	-	-	1	-	*	1	*

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CURJX. (Continued) The following are phrases some people use to describe political leaders. For each phrase, please tell me if it describes BARACK OBAMA very well, somewhat well, slightly well, or not at all well. The first phrase is... [RANDOMIZE]

He is a likable person	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	1/12-17/10
Total Very/Somewhat well	76	78	78	78	81	84	83	77	82	89
Very well	50	50	50	52	59	56	56	55	54	63
Somewhat well	27	28	27	26	22	28	27	22	28	26
Total Slightly/Not at all well	23	22	21	20	18	16	16	22	18	10
Slightly well	11	9	8	11	9	9	7	8	8	5
Not at all well	12	13	13	10	9	7	9	14	10	6
Don't know	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	*	1
Refused	-	-	-	-	*	-	*	-	-	*

N=1,000 N=1,008

He has firm policy positions	12/8-12/11
Total Very/Somewhat well	54
Very well	23
Somewhat well	31
Total Slightly/Not at all well	45
Slightly well	16
Not at all well	30
Don't know	1
Refused	-

Based on: N=1,000







ELE31 through CURJREP previously released

ECO1. Would you say that now is a good or bad time to invest in the stock market?

	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	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	HIGH 4/7-12/10	LOW	1 Year Ago 11/3-8/10
Good time to invest	33	31	30	33	42	43	46	46	45	50	37	36	38	40	48	45	47	41	42	42	48	30	46
Bad time	61	64	67	62	52	53	48	47	51	46	61	61	58	55	49	49	49	52	53	52	49	67	47
Don't know	5	5	3	5	6	4	6	6	5	5	3	4	4	5	3	6	4	7	6	5	3	3	6
Refused	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	-	-	*	*	*	*	-	*	1	*	1	*	*	*

ECO2. And would you say that now is a good or bad time to invest in real estate?

	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 0/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	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	10/1-2/09	HIGH 5/28-6/1/09	FOW 6/	1 Year Ago 11/3-8/10
Good time to invest	60	58	57	54	62	63	61	61	59	61	62	60	69	69	65	66	66	65	66	69	74	54	61
Bad time	39	39	40	44	36	36	37	36	39	37	37	38	30	29	34	32	32	32	31	29	25	44	36
Don't know	1	2	2	2	2	1	1	3	2	1	1	2	2	2	1	2	2	3	3	2	2	2	3
Refused	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	-	-	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

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B1. Would you describe the nation's economy these days as good, poor, or neither good nor poor? [IF "GOOD," ASK:] Is that very good or somewhat good? [IF "POOR," ASK:] Is that very poor or somewhat poor? [IF "NEITHER," ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward good or poor?

	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	HIGH 12/10-4/09	LOW 8/18-22/11	1 Year Ago 11/3-8/10
Total good	15	12	11	16	21	22	20	15	19	22	15	16	24	20	21	24	11	15
Very good	*	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	*	1	1	1	1	2	1	1
Somewhat good	5	3	4	5	8	9	7	4	7	8	4	4	9	8	6	10	4	4
Neither – lean good	10	9	5	10	13	13	13	9	11	13	11	11	14	11	14	13	5	9
Neither-Don't lean [VOL]	5	6	3	4	6	4	5	3	6	7	6	3	4	5	4	5	3	3
Total poor	80	81	86	80	73	73	75	83	75	71	79	81	72	75	76	71	86	83
Neither – lean poor	12	8	12	12	15	17	14	16	15	12	14	17	12	14	15	16	12	16
Somewhat poor	34	31	33	32	32	33	35	33	30	27	30	30	33	33	30	24	33	33
Very poor	34	43	42	36	27	23	26	35	30	32	35	34	27	28	31	31	42	35
Don't know [VOL]	*	*	*	-	*	*	*	*	*	*	-	*	*	*	-	1	*	*
Refused [VOL]	-	-	-	*	-	-	*	-	*	-	-	-	*	-	*	-	-	-

Based on: N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,000 N=1,501 N=86 N=1,000 N=1,007 N=1,004 N=1,002 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,000 N=1,000





B2. And would you describe the financial situation in your own household these days as good, poor, or neither good nor poor?

[IF "GOOD," ASK:] Is that very good or somewhat good?

[IF "POOR," ASK:] Is that very poor or somewhat poor?

[IF "NEITHER," ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward good or poor?

[IF "GOOD," ASK:] Is that very good or somewhat good?

[IF "POOR," ASK:] Is that very poor or somewhat poor?

[IF "NEITHER," ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward good or poor?

	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	HIGH 10/13-18/10	LOW 10/13-17/11	1 Year Ago 11/3-8/10
Total good	60	54	60	63	61	62	57	62	65	71	61	61	64	60	59	65	54	62
Very good	15	13	12	15	15	14	15	14	15	18	15	14	14	18	15	15	13	14
Somewhat good	31	26	31	30	31	32	28	31	35	38	30	30	32	31	28	35	26	31
Neither – lean good	13	15	17	19	16	16	15	17	15	15	16	17	18	11	16	15	15	17
Neither – Don't lean [VOL]	5	10	7	5	4	4	5	5	5	5	6	3	6	7	3	5	10	5
Total poor	35	36	33	32	34	34	37	33	30	24	33	36	30	33	38	30	36	33
Neither – lean poor	9	8	10	7	9	12	12	10	9	9	9	15	8	10	11	9	8	10
Somewhat poor	15	17	14	15	17	13	15	13	12	8	13	12	14	12	16	12	17	13
Very poor	11	11	9	11	8	9	11	11	10	7	10	9	8	11	11	10	11	11
Don't know [VOL]	*	-	*	*	*	-	-	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	-	*	-	*
Refused [VOL]	1	*	*	*	*	*	*	1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	1

Based on:







ECO41. In the past month, do you think the economy got better, got worse or stayed about the same?

	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	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
Got better	20	9	6	13	22	15	30	20	17	20	13	12	19	25	25	20	25	24	22	24
Got worse	15	23	49	27	22	27	18	16	19	20	22	22	16	18	18	16	16	21	24	17
Stayed about the same	64	68	45	60	56	58	52	64	63	59	65	66	65	56	57	63	59	55	53	59
Don't know [VOL]	1	1	*	1	*	*	*	1	1	1	*	*	1	1	*	1	1	*	1	*
Refused [VOL]	N-1 000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	*	-	-	*	-	-	M-1 002	-	- N-1 001	*	-

EOY5. Over the next year, do you think the country's economy will [RANDOMIZE: get better/get worse] or stay about the same?

	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-	11/3- 8/10		10/13-18/10	9/8- 13/10	12/10-14/09
	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Likely voters	Total	Total
Get better	37	30	33	33	43	36	48	45	48	49	42	46
Get worse	24	27	31	29	23	28	14	17	16	17	23	20
Stay about the same	37	41	36	37	33	36	36	37	34	32	34	32
Don't know [VOL]	2	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	2	2	1	1
Refused [VOL]	-	-	-	*	-	*	-	-	*	*	-	-

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







CCON1. How do you expect the financial situation of your household will change over the next 12 months? Will it get better, get worse, or stay about the same?

[IF "BETTER," ASK:] And would that be a lot or a little better?

[IF "WORSE," ASK:] And would that be a lot or a little worse?

	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11
Total Better	36	34	31	32	34	32
A lot better	13	12	13	11	14	9
A little better	23	22	18	21	20	22
Stay about the same	52	54	56	57	54	55
Total Worse	11	12	12	11	11	13
A little worse	6	6	6	6	7	10
A lot worse	5	5	6	5	4	4
Don't know [VOL]	*	*	1	*	1	1
Refused [VOL]	*	*	*	-	-	*

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

CCON2. How do you expect the general economic situation in this country will change over the next 12 months? Will it get better, get worse, or stay about the same?

	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11
Get better	35	28	27	30	41	32
A lot better	6	5	6	5	7	5
A little better	29	23	22	25	33	27
Stay about the same	40	41	40	44	36	42
Get worse	25	30	32	26	23	26
A little worse	13	18	16	15	13	17
A lot worse	11	12	16	11	11	9
Don't know [VOL]	1	1	1	*	1	*
Refused [VOL]	-	*	*	-	-	*

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







CCON3. Compared with the past 12 months, how do you think consumer prices will change in the next 12 months? Will they increase more rapidly, increase at the same rate, increase at a slower rate, stay about the same, or will they fall?

	12/8-	10/13-	8/18-	6/16-	5/5-	3/24-
	12/11	17/11	22/11	20/11	9/11	28/11
Increase more rapidly	18	24	24	25	30	33
Increase at the same rate	29	26	28	28	28	25
Increase at a slower rate	22	23	22	21	20	18
Stay about the same	28	24	21	22	18	19
Will fall	3	3	4	3	4	4
Don't know [VOL]	1	1	1	1	1	*
Refused [VOL]	*	-	*	*	-	-

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

CCON4. Thinking of the general economic situation, do you think that now is a good time, a bad time, or neither a good nor a bad time to make major purchases such as furniture and electronic devices?

	12/8-	10/13-	8/18-	6/16-	5/5-	3/24-
	12/11	17/11	22/11	20/11	9/11	28/11
A good time	35	27	28	29	34	31
Neither a good nor bad time	28	29	30	31	29	30
A bad time	35	42	41	39	36	38
Don't know [VOL]	2	2	1	1	1	1
Refused [VOL]	*	*	*	-	*	*

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







CCON5. Thinking of the general economic situation, do you think that now is a good or bad time to save? [IF "GOOD," ASK:] And would that be a very good or fairly good time to save? [IF "BAD," ASK:] And would that be very bad or fairly bad time to save?

	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11
Total Good Time to Save	90	91	89	89	90	91
Very good time to save	53	56	57	54	50	51
Fairly good time to save	37	35	32	35	40	40
Total Bad Time to Save	10	9	10	9	9	8
Fairly bad time to save	4	5	5	5	6	6
Very bad time to save	5	4	5	4	3	2
Don't know [VOL]	1	*	1	1	1	1
Refused [VOL]	*	*	*	-	-	*

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







CCON6. How do you expect the number of people who are unemployed in this country to change over the next 12 months? Will it increase, decrease, or remain the same? [IF "INCREASE," ASK:] And would that be a sharp or slight increase? [IF "DECREASE," ASK:] And would that be a sharp of slight decrease?

	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11
Total Increase	35	40	43	37	34	33
A sharp increase	10	11	15	11	9	9
A slight increase	25	29	28	26	26	24
Remain the same	41	36	33	40	35	37
Total Decrease	24	23	24	23	31	30
A slight decrease	21	19	19	20	27	25
A sharp decrease	3	4	5	3	3	5
Don't know [VOL]	1	1	1	1	1	1
Refused [VOL]	*	-	*	*	-	-

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







BLAM1. Please tell me how much blame each of the following deserves for the country's current economic problems. First/next, does [ITEM] deserve almost all, a lot but not all, a moderate amount, only a little or none of the blame for the country's current economic problems?

Barack Obama	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11
Almost all/A lot but not all	30	27	31
Almost all	13	12	10
A lot but not all	17	15	21
A moderate amount	33	30	30
Only a little/None	36	43	39
Only a little	23	27	25
None	13	15	14
Don't know (VOL.)	1	1	*
Refused (VOL.)	-	*	-

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

George W. Bush	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11
Almost all/A lot but not all	43	44	51
Almost all	24	24	25
A lot but not all	20	20	26
A moderate amount	30	32	27
Only a little/None	27	23	22
Only a little	19	18	16
None	7	5	6
Don't know (VOL.)	1	1	1
Refused (VOL.)	-	*	*

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

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BLAM1. (Continued) Please tell me how much blame each of the following deserves for the country's current economic problems. First/next, does [ITEM] deserve almost all, a lot but not all, a moderate amount, only a little or none of the blame for the country's current economic problems?

The Republicans in Congress	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11
Almost all/A lot but not all	36	35	44
Almost all	17	14	19
A lot but not all	19	21	24
A moderate amount	43	44	39
Only a little/None	19	20	17
Only a little	16	17	14
None	3	3	3
Don't know (VOL.)	1	1	1
Refused (VOL.)	-	*	*

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

The Democrats in Congress	12/8-12/11	10/13-17/11	8/18-22/11
Almost all/A lot but not all	33	30	36
Almost all	13	9	13
A lot but not all	20	20	23
A moderate amount	43	41	42
Only a little/None	23	28	22
Only a little	17	21	16
None	6	7	6
Don't know (VOL.)	1	1	1
Refused (VOL.)	-	*	*

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







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HC1. In general, do you support, oppose or neither support nor oppose the health care reforms that were passed by Congress in March of 2010?

	12/8-12/11	6/15-20/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	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	60/3-8/06
Total support	29	36	35	40	38	40	41	41	45	39	39	41	42	36	39	40	34
Strongly support	13	16	17	21	17	17	19	20	21	21	19	21	18	19	21	23	16
Somewhat support	17	21	18	19	20	24	22	21	24	19	20	20	24	17	18	17	18
Neither support nor																	
oppose	18	15	17	16	12	11	6	12	13	14	10	12	14	18	14	17	15
Total oppose	49	46	45	41	47	45	52	46	42	46	50	43	42	44	45	40	49
Somewhat oppose	15	13	14	11	13	12	10	11	12	9	10	9	10	10	11	9	13
Strongly oppose	33	32	31	30	33	33	41	35	29	37	39	34	32	34	34	31	36
Don't know [VOL]	5	3	2	3	4	3	1	1	1	1	1	4	2	2	3	3	2
Refused [VOL]	*	-	-	*	-	*	-	-	-	*	*	-	-	*	*	*	-

Based on: N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,000 N=1,501 N=846 N=1,000 N=1,044 N=1,002 N=1,001 N=1,002 N=1,003 N=1,001 N=1,006 N=1,003 N=1,001

NCC19. Do you think the Federal Government should have the power to require all Americans to buy health insurance, and to pay a fine if they don't or do you think the Federal Government should not have that power?

	12/8-12/11	8/18-22/11	8/11-16/10
The Federal Government should have the power to require	15	16	17
The Federal should not have the power to require	84	82	83
Don't know [VOL]	1	2	1
Refused [VOL]	*	*	*

Based on:

Associated Press Poper

N=1,000

N=1,000



N=1,007



Are you currently registered to vote at your address, or not? S1.

	12/8-12/11
Yes	80
No	20
VOL: Not necessary in my state	*
Don't know [VOL]	*
Refused [VOL]	-

Based on: N=1,000

TP4. Do you consider yourself a supporter of the Tea Party movement, or are you not a supporter of the Tea Party movement?

	12/8-12/11	10-13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10
Supporter	30	28	25	33	30	30	31	30	30	36	28	28	27	27	31
Strongly	10	10	9	10	8	11	11	8	9	13	10	8	13	9	n/a
Moderately	20	18	16	24	23	19	21	22	21	24	18	20	14	18	n/a
Not a supporter	64	68	70	61	63	65	61	66	67	60	68	69	65	68	60
Don't know [VOL]	6	4	5	5	7	6	7	4	4	3	4	3	7	5	9
Refused [VOL]	1	*	*	1	*	*	*	-	*	1	1	*	1	*	1

Based on:







PID1. Do you consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, an independent, or none of these?

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	12/8-12/11	10-13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	OTAL 0/13-18/10	VOT /10	9/8-13/10	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	60/8-8/6	60/07-91/2	5/28-6/1/09
Democrat	27	31	29	31	35	29	29	31	32	33	32	31	34	35	32	32	32	28	35	33	31	35	36
Independent	33	32	30	27	27	34	31	26	28	27	31	30	28	25	27	27	29	27	24	26	30	25	25
Republican	25	23	21	25	18	19	25	28	26	32	25	25	24	26	26	26	21	21	22	21	21	23	23
None of these	16	13	20	16	20	17	15	16	14	7	12	13	15	14	15	15	17	23	18	19	18	17	16
Refused	_	1	*	1	-	-	*	-	-	-	1	*	*	-	-	-	*	-	1	1	1	1	1







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?

	12/8-12/11	10-13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	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	60/8-£/6	7/16-20/09	5/28-6/1/09
Total Democrat	40	44	43	43	46	45	42	39	43	42	44	43	46	45	41	45	44	37	43	43	39	44	46
Democrat – strong	12	16	13	12	14	14	12	14	16	20	16	14	15	15	14	15	14	12	18	17	14	14	20
Democrat – moderate	15	15	16	19	21	15	16	17	16	13	15	18	19	20	18	18	18	16	17	16	16	20	15
Independent – lean Democratic	13	13	14	11	12	16	14	9	11	9	13	12	12	10	9	12	12	9	8	10	9	9	11
None – lean Democratic	*	-	-	*	-	*	-	*	*	*	1	*	1	*	-	*	-	*	*	*	-	*	*
Total Republican	38	36	32	37	29	33	36	38	40	48	40	39	35	39	40	34	33	32	31	32	33	33	32
Republican – strong	13	10	9	11	6	9	9	13	12	18	12	11	9	10	14	11	9	9	11	10	9	11	11
Republican – moderate	12	13	12	14	12	11	16	15	13	14	13	14	15	16	12	12	12	13	10	11	11	12	12
Republican – moderate Independent – lean Republican	12	13 14	12 11	14 13	12 11	11 14	16 11				13 15	14	15 11	16 13	12 14	12 12	12 12	13 11	10	11	11	12 10	12 9
moderate Independent –								15	13	14													
moderate Independent – lean Republican None – lean	13		11		11	14		15 11	13 14	14 15			11	13		12		11	10	11		10	9
moderate Independent – lean Republican None – lean Republican [VOL] Independent –	13	14	11	13	11 *	14	11	15 11 -	13	14 15 1	15	14	11 *	13 *	14	12	12	11	10 *	11 *	13	10 *	9
moderate Independent – lean Republican None – lean Republican [VOL] Independent – don't lean [VOL] None –	13 - 7	14 -	11 - 5	13	11 *	14	11 - 6	15 11 - 6	13 14 *	14 15 1	15	14	11 *	13 *	14	12 * 5	12	11	10 *	11 * 5	13 -	10 *	9
moderate Independent – lean Republican None – lean Republican [VOL] Independent – don't lean [VOL] None – don't lean	13 - 7 -	14 - 5 -	11 - 5 -	13 - 3 -	11 * 4	14 *	11 - 6	15 11 - 6	13 14 * 3	14 15 1 2	15	14 - 5 -	11 *	13 * 2	14 - 4 -	12 * 5	12 - 5	7 -	10 *	11 * 5	13 - 8	10 * 5	9 * 5







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?]

	12/8-12/11	10-13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	TOTAL 10/13-18/10	LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7/10-12/10	TOTAL 10/16-20/08	LIKELY VOTERS 10/16-20/08
Liberal - strongly	6	8	9	9	9	8	8	8	9	10	10	10	11	8	6	9	11
Liberal - somewhat	14	12	13	14	14	15	14	11	14	11	12	15	11	15	14	14	14
Conservative - strongly	20	18	20	21	16	18	20	22	22	29	20	20	21	21	21	18	20
Conservative - somewhat	22	21	23	22	22	23	19	24	22	18	25	21	23	23	23	21	18
Moderate	35	39	32	33	36	32	36	33	31	31	31	33	32	31	32	35	35
Don't know	2	3	3	2	3	3	2	1	2	1	3	2	1	3	3	2	2
Refused	*	*	*	1	1	*	2	1	1	*	1	*	1	1	1	1	*

N=1,000 N=1,001 N=800







EM1. Are you, yourself, currently employed...

	12/8-12/11	10-13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	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	10/1-2/09	60/8-8/6
Full-time	48	49	50	44	49	45	44	47	46	46	46	47	48	49	45	43	44	46	44	44
Part-time	13	12	13	14	13	15	17	12	13	13	16	11	13	11	14	13	15	11	10	12
Not employed	39	39	37	42	37	39	38	40	41	40	38	42	39	39	41	44	41	42	45	42
Don't know	-	*	*	*	*	*	-	*	*	*	*	*	*	-	*	-	*	*	*	-
Refused	-	*	*	*	*	*	1	1	*	*	*	*	-	*	*	*	1	1	1	1

EM2. [IF "NOT EMPLOYED" IN EM1, ASK:] Are you...

	12/8-12/11	10-13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	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	60/8-8/6
Retired	51	50	51	46	51	40	48	48	46	47	44	47	42	50	49	48	47	49	52	52
Homemaker	15	19	14	17	16	17	16	21	18	16	21	15	16	18	19	15	13	16	18	15
Student	12	8	13	10	12	16	14	11	12	11	14	12	11	9	9	8	7	9	10	8
Temporarily unemployed	18	20	18	24	19	27	19	17	22	21	20	25	27	21	23	27	32	24	18	22
Don't know	3	3	4	2	1	1	2	2	2	4	1	2	4	2	*	1	1	1	2	2
Refused	1	1	*	1	*	1	*	1	*	*	1	*	1	1	1	1	*	1	*	*

Based on: N=436 N=441 N=431 N=450 N=448 N=413 N=411 N=421 N=655 N=414 N=400 N=472 N=416 N=415 N=20 N=420 N=420 N=423 N=404 N=451 N=438







CUR38. Thinking of the last 6 months – that is, since June of 2011 – have you or has someone in your family lost a job as a result of economic conditions, or not?

	12/8-12/11	10-13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	12/10-14/09	60/8-2/6	7/16-20/09	High: 2/12-17/09	Low : 9/3-8/09	1 Year Ago: 11/3-8/10
Yes (self lost job)	5	8	5	6	7	6	8	6	7	6	6	7	8	6	9	5	8	10	5	6
Yes (someone in family)	19	18	25	18	23	22	27	18	16	25	25	29	21	23	22	26	21	25	26	18
No	75	72	69	74	67	70	62	72	76	68	67	61	69	69	66	65	65	65	65	72
Both (self and family member) [VOL]	1	2	1	2	3	1	4	3	1	1	2	4	1	3	3	2	4	1	2	3
Don't know	*	*	-	*	-	*	*	-	*	*	*	*	*	-	*	*	1	*	*	_
Refused	-	*	-	*	*	-	*	*	*	*	*	-	-	*	*	1	1	-	1	*

CUR39. And thinking of the last 6 months – that is, since June of 2011 – has someone you know personally, other than a family member, lost a job as a result of economic conditions, or not?

	12/8-12/11	10-13-17/11	8/18-22/11	6/16-20/11	5/5-9/11	3/24-28/11	1/5-10/11	11/3-8/10	10/13-18/10	9/8-13/10	8/11-16/10	6/9-14/10	5/7-11/10	4/7-12/10	12/10-14/09	10/1-2/09	High: 1/12-17/10	Low: 6/16-20/11	1 Year Ago: 11/3-8/10
Yes	58	59	60	57	62	60	65	55	54	65	65	70	63	64	69	65	71	57	55
No	42	41	40	43	38	40	35	44	46	35	35	29	36	36	30	34	29	43	44
Don't know	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	1	*	1	*	1	*	*	*	1	1	*	1
Refused	-	*	*	-	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	-	-	*	*	*	-	-	*

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[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-habitating	62
Separated	2
Divorced	8
Widowed	6
Never Married	22
Don't know [VOL]	-
Refused [VOL]	*

Based on: N=1,000

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

Less than high school graduate	8
High school graduate	34
Technical/trade school	4
Some college	25
College graduate	15
Some graduate school	3
Graduate degree	10
Don't know [VOL]	-
Refused [VOL]	*

Based on: N=1,000

DM4. In what year were you born?

Age group:

<u> </u>	
18-29	20
30-49	37
50-64	25
65+	17
Refused [VOL]	1







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

Urban area	25
Suburban area	40
Rural area	34
Don't know [VOL]	1
Refused [VOL]	-

Based on: N=1,000

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

Own	62
Rent	28
Other arrangement	9
Don't know [VOL]	*
Refused [VOL]	-

Based on: N=1,000

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

Yes	36
No	64
Don't know [VOL]	-
Refused [VOL]	*





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	27
One Line	69
Two lines	3
Three or more lines	1
Don't know [VOL]	*
Refused [VOL]	*

Based on: N=1,000

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

None	12
One	69
Two	13
Three or more	6
Don't know [VOL]	*
Refused [VOL]	*

Based on: N=1,000

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	24
Cell phone	40
Both equally	36
Don't know [VOL]	-
Refused [VOL]	-

Based on: N=606







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	50
One	29
Two	14
Three or more	5
Don't know [VOL]	1
Refused [VOL]	1

N=300 Based on:

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

Yes, born-again/evangelical	38
No	60
Don't know [VOL]	2
Refused [VOL]	1

Based on: N=1,000

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	23
Mormon	1
Jewish	2
Muslim	*
Other religion	19
Don't belong to religious denomination	27
Don't know [VOL]	-
Refused [VOL]	*







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

Yes, a Christian	89
No, not a Christian	11
Don't know [VOL]	*
Refused [VOL]	-

Based on: N=186

DM15. Aside from weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services? Would you say more than once a week, once or twice a month, a few times a year, less often than a few times a year, or never?

Never	17
Less often than a few times a year	13
A few times a year	22
Once or twice a month	13
Once a week	23
More than once a week	11
Don't know [VOL]	*
Refused [VOL]	1





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

Yes	13
No	87
Don't know [VOL]	-
Refused [VOL]	*

Based on: N=1,000

- 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, Caucasian	73
Black, African-American, Negro	12
American Indian or Alaska Native	1
Asian Indian	1
Native Hawaiian	-
Chinese	*
Guamanian or Chamorro	-
Filipino	-
Samoan	-
Japanese	-
Korean	-
Vietnamese	*
Other Asian	*
Other Pacific Islander	1
Some other race	9
Other (specify)	-
Don't know	1
Refused	*
Multiple races	3







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	50
\$50,000+	46
Don't know [VOL]	2
Refused [VOL]	3

Based on: N=1,000

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

Under \$10,000	9
\$10,000 to under \$20,000	11
\$20,000 to under \$30,000	9
\$30,000 to under \$40,000	10
\$40,000 to under \$50,000	8
\$50,000 to under \$75,000	18
\$75,000 to under \$100,000	10
\$100,000 to under \$150,000	10
\$150,000 or more	7
Don't know [VOL]	4
Refused [VOL]	5

N=1,000 Based on:

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

Yes	41
No	56
Don't know [VOL]	*
Refused [VOL]	2







[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	49
1	12
2	11
3	3
4	2
5-9 times	8
10-14 times	4
15-19 times	*
20-24 times	3
25 times or more	2
Don't know [VOL]	5
Refused [VOL]	1

Based on: N=513

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

Male	49
Female	51

Based on: N=1,000

CENSUS REGION:

Northeast	18
Midwest	22
South	37
West	23







AP-GfK Poll Methodology

The **Associated Press-GfK Poll** was conducted December 8 - 12, 2011, 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 1,000 general population adults age 18 or older.

Interviews were conducted with 700 respondents on landlines and 300 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 GfK MRI Inc.

The margin of sampling error is plus or minus 4.0 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-gfkpoll.com.





