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

Interview dates: June 14– 18, 2012 Number of interviews: 1,007

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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CURX2. 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]?

| Health care | 6/14-18/12 | 5/3-7/12* | 2/16-20/12 | 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 | High: 5/5-9/11 | Low: 9/3-8/09 |
|-----------------------------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|----------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Total approve | 48 | 48 | 48 | 44 | 45 | 46 | 45 | 54 | 52 | 51 | 48 | 47 | 46 | 50 | 45 | 49 | 54 | 42 |
| Strongly approve | 24 | 25 | 25 | 21 | 24 | 23 | 24 | 29 | 27 | 29 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 26 | 24 | 29 | 29 | 22 |
| Somewhat approve | 21 | 21 | 21 | 23 | 21 | 22 | 20 | 24 | 24 | 20 | 22 | 19 | 18 | 22 | 21 | 20 | 24 | 19 |
| Lean approve | 3 | 3 | 2 | * | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | * | * | 1 | 1 |
| Neither approve nor disapprove | 1 | 1 | * | * | 1 | 1 | 1 | * | * | 1 | 1 | * | * | * | 2 | 4 | * | 6 |
| Total disapprove | 50 | 50 | 51 | 55 | 54 | 53 | 54 | 46 | 48 | 49 | 51 | 53 | 54 | 50 | 53 | 46 | 46 | 52 |
| Lean disapprove | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | 1 | * |
| Somewhat disapprove | 9 | 11 | 9 | 13 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 11 | 10 | 11 | 10 | 9 | 4 | 11 | 11 | 10 | 11 | 10 |
| Strongly disapprove | 39 | 37 | 41 | 40 | 42 | 42 | 41 | 34 | 37 | 37 | 40 | 43 | 49 | 39 | 42 | 36 | 34 | 43 |
| Don't know [VOL] | 1 | 1 | * | 1 | * | * | * | * | - | - | * | - | - | _ | - | - | * | * |
| Refused [VOL] | * | - | * | - | * | * | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Brood on | N=1 007 | N-526 | N-1 000 | N=1.000 | N-1.000 | N=1.000 | N-1 001 | N-1 001 | N-1 00' | N-1 001 | M-1.000 | M-1 501 | N-946 | N=1.000 | N=1 007 | N=1 014 | N=1 001 | N=1 001 |

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*Asked of half the sample



PRES5. How much of an impact, if any, do you think the outcome of the November presidential election will have on each of the following issues? First/next [ITEM], do you think the outcome of the presidential election will have a great deal of impact, a lot of impact, just some impact, a little impact or have no impact at all on [ITEM]?

Some items in PRES5 held for later release

Based on:

| The nation's health care system | 6/14-18/12 |
|---------------------------------|------------|
| A great deal/A lot | 51 |
| A great deal | 30 |
| A lot | 22 |
| Just some | 24 |
| A little/No impact at all | 23 |
| A little | 15 |
| No impact at all | 8 |
| Don't know [VOL] | 2 |
| Refused [VOL] | * |

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|-------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|------------|-------------|------------------------|----------------|
| Total support | 33 | 35 | 36 | 35 | 40 | 38 | 40 | 41 | 41 | 45 | 39 | 39 | 41 | 42 | 36 | 45 | 29 |
| Strongly support | 17 | 17 | 16 | 17 | 21 | 17 | 17 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 21 | 19 | 21 | 18 | 19 | 21 | 13 |
| Somewhat support | 17 | 18 | 21 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 24 | 22 | 21 | 24 | 19 | 20 | 20 | 24 | 17 | 24 | 17 |
| Neither support nor oppose | 13 | 14 | 15 | 17 | 16 | 12 | 11 | 6 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 10 | 12 | 14 | 18 | 13 | 18 |
| Total oppose | 47 | 47 | 46 | 45 | 41 | 47 | 45 | 52 | 46 | 42 | 46 | 50 | 43 | 42 | 44 | 42 | 49 |
| Somewhat oppose | 14 | 11 | 13 | 14 | 11 | 13 | 12 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 9 | 10 | 9 | 10 | 10 | 12 | 15 |
| Strongly oppose | 32 | 36 | 32 | 31 | 30 | 33 | 33 | 41 | 35 | 29 | 37 | 39 | 34 | 32 | 34 | 29 | 33 |
| Don't know [VOL] | 7 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 5 |
| Refused [VOL] | * | * | - | - | * | - | * | - | - | - | * | * | - | - | * | - | * |
| Based on: | N=1,007 | 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=1,008 | N=1,001 | N=1,044 | N=1,000 |

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?

HC32. If the Supreme Court rules that the health care reforms passed in March 2010 are unconstitutional, what do you think the President and Congress should do about the health care system? Do you think they should:

| | 6/14-18/12 |
|---|------------|
| Start work on a new health care reform bill | 77 |
| Leave the health care system as it is | 19 |
| Don't know [VOL] | 4 |
| Refused [VOL] | * |
| | |

Based on:



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

| | 6/14-18/12 |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| Yes | 81 |
| No | 18 |
| VOL: Not necessary in my state | 1 |
| Don't know [VOL] | 1 |
| Refused [VOL] | * |
| Based on: | N=1,007 |

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

| | 14-18/12 | 5/3-7/12 | 16-20/12 | 2/8-12/11 | 0-13-17/11 | 18-22/11 | 16-20/11 | /5-9/11 | 3/24-28/11 | /5-10/11 | 1/3-8/10 | OTAL 0/13-18/10 | IKELY VOTERS 0/13-18/10 | /8-13/10 | /11-16/10 | 6/9-14/10 | 5/7-11/10 |
|------------------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|------------|----------|----------|---------|------------|----------|----------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | 6/ | 5/ | 2/ | 11 | 1(| 8/ | /9 | 5/ | 3/ | 1 | ÷. | ĔĦ | ΞĦ | 6 | 8/ | 6/ | 5/ |
| Supporter | 23 | 22 | 25 | 30 | 28 | 25 | 33 | 30 | 30 | 31 | 30 | 30 | 36 | 28 | 28 | 27 | 27 |
| Strongly | 8 | 7 | 8 | 10 | 10 | 9 | 10 | 8 | 11 | 11 | 8 | 9 | 13 | 10 | 8 | 13 | 9 |
| Moderately | 16 | 15 | 17 | 20 | 18 | 16 | 24 | 23 | 19 | 21 | 22 | 21 | 24 | 18 | 20 | 14 | 18 |
| Not a supporter | 65 | 67 | 71 | 64 | 68 | 70 | 61 | 63 | 65 | 61 | 66 | 67 | 60 | 68 | 69 | 65 | 68 |
| Don't know [VOL] | 10 | 10 | 4 | 6 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 7 | 6 | 7 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 5 |
| Refused [VOL] | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | * | * | 1 | * | * | * | - | * | 1 | 1 | * | 1 | * |
| Based on: | N=1,007 | N=1,004 | N=1,000 | 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=846 | N=1,000 | N=1,007 | N=1,044 | N=1,002 |



| | 6/14-18-/12 | 5/3-7/12 |
|------------------|-------------|----------|
| Democrat | 29 | 31 |
| Independent | 33 | 29 |
| Republican | 22 | 22 |
| None of these | 15 | 17 |
| Don't know [VOL] | 1 | 1 |
| Refused [VOL] | 1 | * |
| Based on: | N=1,007 | N=1,004 |

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





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?**

| | 6/14-18/12 | 5/3-7/12 |
|--------------------------------|------------|----------|
| Total Democrat | 49 | 49 |
| Democrat – strong | 15 | 16 |
| Democrat – moderate | 14 | 15 |
| Democrat-unknown intensity | 1 | 1 |
| Independent – lean Democratic | 14 | 13 |
| None – lean Democratic | 6 | 6 |
| Total Republican | 39 | 37 |
| Republican – strong | 11 | 11 |
| Republican – moderate | 11 | 10 |
| Republican-unknown intensity | * | 1 |
| Independent – lean Republican | 13 | 10 |
| None – lean Republican | 4 | 5 |
| [VOL] Independent – don't lean | 5 | 6 |
| [VOL] None – don't lean | 4 | 6 |
| [VOL] Independent – lean other | 1 | 1 |
| [VOL] None – lean other | 2 | 2 |
| Don't know | - | - |
| Refused | - | - |
| Based on: | N=1,007 | N=1,004 |



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?]

| | 6/14-18-12 | 5/-3-7/12 |
|-------------------------|------------|-----------|
| Liberal - strongly | 11 | 10 |
| Liberal - somewhat | 11 | 13 |
| Conservative - strongly | 22 | 20 |
| Conservative - somewhat | 20 | 19 |
| Moderate | 32 | 32 |
| Don't know | 3 | 5 |
| Refused | 1 | 1 |

Based on:

N=1,007 N=1,004





[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.

| Married/Living as Married/Co-habitating | 49 |
|---|---------|
| Separated | 4 |
| Divorced | 14 |
| Widowed | 8 |
| Never Married | 24 |
| Don't know [VOL] | * |
| Refused [VOL] | 1 |
| Based on: | N=1,007 |

DM1. What is your marital status? Are you... [READ EACH ITEM]

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

| Less than high school graduate | 11 |
|--------------------------------|---------|
| High school graduate | 31 |
| Technical/trade school | 5 |
| Some college | 24 |
| College graduate | 15 |
| Some graduate school | 3 |
| Graduate degree | 11 |
| Don't know [VOL] | - |
| Refused [VOL] | 1 |
| Based on: | N-1 007 |

Based on:

N=1,007

DM4. In what year were you born?

| Age group: | |
|---------------|----|
| 18-29 | 19 |
| 30-49 | 36 |
| 50-64 | 25 |
| 65+ | 18 |
| Refused [VOL] | 2 |

Based on:





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

| Urban area | 30 |
|------------------|---------|
| Suburban area | 39 |
| Rural area | 29 |
| Don't know [VOL] | 2 |
| Refused [VOL] | 1 |
| Based on: | N=1,007 |

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

| Own | 58 |
|-------------------|----|
| Rent | 28 |
| Other arrangement | 13 |
| Don't know [VOL] | * |
| Refused [VOL] | 1 |
| - / | |

Based on:



DM8. How many different landline telephone numbers, if any, are there in your home? 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 | 31 |
|---------------------|---------|
| One Line | 63 |
| Two lines | 3 |
| Three or more lines | 1 |
| Don't know [VOL] | * |
| Refused [VOL] | 2 |
| Based on: | N=1,007 |

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

| None | 7 |
|------------------|---------|
| One | 75 |
| Тwo | 12 |
| Three or more | 4 |
| Don't know [VOL] | * |
| Refused [VOL] | 2 |
| Based on: | N=1,007 |

DM10. [IF BOTH LAND AND CELLPHONE, ASK:] Generally speaking, would you say you use your landline phone most of the time, your cell phone most of the time, or would you say you use both about equally?

| Landline | 28 |
|------------------|----|
| Cell phone | 40 |
| Both equally | 32 |
| Don't know [VOL] | * |
| Refused [VOL] | - |

Based on:

N=652



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 | 45 |
|------------------|-------|
| One | 39 |
| Тwo | 9 |
| Three or more | 5 |
| Don't know [VOL] | 1 |
| Refused [VOL] | 2 |
| Pasad any | N=300 |

Based on:

N=300

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

| Yes, born-again/evangelical | 43 |
|-----------------------------|---------|
| No | 53 |
| Don't know [VOL] | 1 |
| Refused [VOL] | 3 |
| Based on: | N=1,007 |

DM13. What is your religious preference? Is it Protestant, Catholic, Mormon, Jewish, Muslim, some other religion, or don't you belong to any religious denomination?

| Protestant | 26 |
|--|----|
| Catholic | 24 |
| Mormon | 2 |
| Jewish | 2 |
| Muslim | * |
| Other religion | 22 |
| Don't belong to religious denomination | 21 |
| Don't know [VOL] | 1 |
| Refused [VOL] | 3 |
| | |

Based on:



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

| Yes, a Christian | 79 |
|---------------------|-------|
| No, not a Christian | 20 |
| Don't know [VOL] | 1 |
| Refused [VOL] | 1 |
| Based on: | N=192 |

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

| Never | 15 |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| Less often than a few times a year | 12 |
| A few times a year | 21 |
| Once or twice a month | 15 |
| Once a week | 23 |
| More than once a week | 12 |
| Don't know [VOL] | 1 |
| Refused [VOL] | 2 |
| Based on: | N=1,007 |



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

| Yes | 13 |
|------------------|---------|
| No | 85 |
| Don't know [VOL] | - |
| Refused [VOL] | 2 |
| Based on: | N=1,007 |

- DM17. [IF SPANISH/HISPANIC/LATINO (D16=1), ASK:] In addition to being Hispanic, Latino or Spanish, what race or races do you consider yourself to be? [DO NOT READ. ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES.]
- DM18. [IF <u>NOT</u> SPANISH/HISPANIC/LATINO (D16=2), ASK:] What race or races do you consider yourself to be? [DO NOT READ. ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES.]

| White, Caucasian | 72 |
|----------------------------------|----|
| Black, African-American, Negro | 11 |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | 1 |
| Asian Indian | 1 |
| Native Hawaiian | * |
| Chinese | * |
| Guamanian or Chamorro | * |
| Filipino | - |
| Samoan | - |
| Japanese | * |
| Korean | - |
| Vietnamese | - |
| Other Asian | 1 |
| Other Pacific Islander | * |
| Some other race | 8 |
| Don't know | 1 |
| Refused | 2 |
| Multiple races | 4 |
| | |

Based on:





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+ | 45 |
| Don't know [VOL] | 1 |
| Refused [VOL] | 4 |
| Based on: | N=1,007 |

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

| Under \$10,000 | 8 |
|------------------------------|---------|
| \$10,000 to under \$20,000 | 12 |
| \$20,000 to under \$30,000 | 12 |
| \$30,000 to under \$40,000 | 9 |
| \$40,000 to under \$50,000 | 7 |
| \$50,000 to under \$75,000 | 17 |
| \$75,000 to under \$100,000 | 11 |
| \$100,000 to under \$150,000 | 8 |
| \$150,000 or more | 6 |
| Don't know [VOL] | 3 |
| Refused [VOL] | 8 |
| Based on: | N=1,007 |

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

| Male | 49 |
|-----------|---------|
| Female | 51 |
| Based on: | N=1,007 |

CENSUS REGION:

| Northeast | 19 |
|------------|---------|
| Midwest | 22 |
| South | 37 |
| West | 23 |
| Providence | N 1 007 |

Based on:





AP-GfK Poll Methodology

The **Associated Press-GfK Poll** was conducted June 14 – 18, 2012 by GfK Roper Public Affairs & Corporate Communications – a division of GfK Custom Research North America. This telephone poll is based on a nationally-representative probability sample of 1,007 general population adults age 18 or older.

Interviews were conducted with 707 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 <u>http://www.ap-gfkpoll.com</u>.

