48 Male
52 Female

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

## The margin of error for 1000 interviews is $\pm 3.10 \%$

Unless otherwise noted by a " + ", all previous data shown reflects responses among all adults.
(ASK ONLY OF SAMPLE TYPE 2--CELL PHONE ONLY RESPONDENTS.)
Q1. Do you have a landline in addition to your cell phone, or is your cell phone the only telephone you have?

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

Q2a For statistical purposes only, would you please tell me how old you are? (IF "REFUSED," ASK:) Well, would you tell me which age group you belong to? (READ LIST.)

| 18-24 | 11 |
| :---: | :---: |
| 25-29 | 7 |
| 30-34 | 9 |
| 35-39 | 8 |
| 40-44 | 10 |
| 45-49 | 9 |
| 50-54 | 11 |
| 55-59 | 10 |
| 60-64 | 10 |
| 65-69 | 5 |
| 70-74 | 4 |
| 75 and | 6 |
| Not s |  |

Q2b To ensure that we have a representative sample, would you please tell me whether you are from a Hispanic or Spanish-speaking background?

Yes, Hispanic.................................... 11
No, not Hispanic .............................. 89
Not sure/refused
-

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

| White | 78 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Black | 11 |
| Asian | 1 |
| Other | 3 |
| Hispanic (VOL).. | 5 |
| Not sure/refused | 2 |

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

|  | 12/10 | 11/10 | $\begin{aligned} & 10 / 28- \\ & 30 / 10+ \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 10/14- } \\ & \underline{18 / 10+} \end{aligned}$ | 9/10 | $\begin{aligned} & 8 / 26- \\ & 30 / 10 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 8 / 5- \\ & 9 / 10 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 6/10 | High 9/01 | $\begin{gathered} \text { Low } \\ \text { 10/17- } \\ \text { 20/08+ } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Headed in the right direction...... | 28 | 32 | 31 | 32 | 32 | 30 | 32 | 29 | 72 | 12 |
| Off on the wrong track .............. | 63 | 58 | 60 | 59 | 59 | 61 | 58 | 62 | 11 | 78 |
| Mixed (VOL) ......................... | 6 | 6 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 11 | 7 |
| Not sure ............................... | 3 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 3 |
|  |  | $\begin{gathered} 5 / 6- \\ 11 / 10 \end{gathered}$ | 3/10 | $\begin{aligned} & 1 / 23- \\ & 25 / 10 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1 / 10- \\ & 14 / 10 \end{aligned}$ | 12/09 | 10/09 | 9/09 | $7 / 09$ | 6/09 |
|  |  | 34 | 33 | 32 | 34 | 33 | 36 | 39 | 39 | 42 |
|  |  | 56 | 59 | 58 | 54 | 55 | 52 | 48 | 49 | 46 |
|  |  | 6 | 5 | 7 | 10 | 10 | 9 | 10 | 9 | 9 |
|  |  | 4 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 10/17- | 10/4- | 9/19- |  |  |
|  |  | 4/09 | $\underline{2 / 09}$ | 1/09 | 12/08 | $\underline{20 / 08}+$ | 5/08+ | 22/08+ | 8/08+ | 7/08+ |
|  |  | 43 | 41 | 26 | 26 | 12 | 12 | 16 | 18 | 13 |
|  |  | 43 | 44 | 59 | 60 | 78 | 77 | 73 | 67 | 74 |
|  |  | 10 | 9 | 9 | 10 | 7 | 9 | 9 | 12 | 10 |
|  |  | 4 | 6 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 |
|  |  |  |  | 3/7- |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 6/08+ | 4/08+ | 10/08+ | 1/08+ | 9/07 | 1/07 | 9/06+ | 1/06 | 9/05 |
|  |  | 16 | 15 | 20 | 20 | 25 | 28 | 31 | 31 | 32 |
|  |  | 71 | 73 | 66 | 68 | 63 | 57 | 54 | 57 | 57 |
|  |  | 11 | 10 | 11 | 9 | 9 | 13 | 12 | 10 | 8 |
|  |  | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 3 |
|  |  | 1/05 | 9/04+ | 1/04 | 9/03 | 1/03 | 9/02 | 1/02 | 9/01 | 12/99 |
|  |  | 40 | 39 | 47 | 38 | 36 | 42 | 62 | 72 | 49 |
|  |  | 47 | 49 | 43 | 50 | 47 | 43 | 20 | 11 | 34 |
|  |  | 10 | 10 | 6 | 8 | 14 | 12 | 14 | 11 | 15 |
|  |  | 3 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 6 | 2 |

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

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


+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

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

|  | 12/10 | 11/10 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 10/14- } \\ & \underline{18 / 10+} \end{aligned}$ | 9/10 | $\begin{aligned} & 8 / 26- \\ & 30 / 10 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 8/5- } \\ & 9 / 10 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 6/10 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Approve........................... | 42 | 42 | 43 | 42 | 39 | 44 | 46 |
| Disapprove...................... | 54 | 54 | 53 | 54 | 56 | 52 | 50 |
| Not sure........................ | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 4 |
|  |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 5 / 6- \\ 11 / 10 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 3/10 | $\begin{aligned} & 1 / 23- \\ & 25 / 10 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1 / 10- \\ & 14 / 10 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  |  |  | 48 | 47 | 47 | 43 |
|  |  |  |  | 46 | 50 | 49 | 49 |
|  |  |  |  | 6 | 3 | 4 | 8 |
|  | 12/09 | 10/09 | 9/09 | $7 / 09$ | 6/09 | 4/09 | $\underline{2 / 09}$ |
|  | 42 | 47 | 50 | 49 | 51 | 55 | 56 |
|  | 51 | 46 | 42 | 44 | 38 | 37 | 31 |
|  | 7 | 7 | 8 | 7 | 11 | 8 | 13 |

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Q5 Now I'm going to read you the names of several public figures, groups and organizations, and l'd like you to rate your feelings toward each one as very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative. If you don't know the name, please just say so. (RANDOMIZE EXCEPT BARACK OBAMA)

|  | Very Positive | Somewhat Positive | Neutral | Somewhat Negative | Very <br> Negative | Don't Know Name/ Not Sure |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Barack Obama |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| December 2010 ...................... | 25 | 23 | 14 | 14 | 24 | - |
| November 2010 ...................... | 28 | 21 | 12 | 13 | 26 | - |
| October 28-30, 2010+............... | 29 | 18 | 12 | 15 | 27 | - |
| October 14-18, 2010+................ | 29 | 19 | 9 | 17 | 26 | - |
| September 2010 ..................... | 29 | 18 | 12 | 14 | 27 | - |
| August 26-30, 2010 ................. | 26 | 20 | 12 | 14 | 27 | 1 |
| August 5-9, 2010 .................... | 27 | 19 | 13 | 14 | 27 | - |
| June 2010........................... | 27 | 20 | 13 | 15 | 25 | - |
| May 20-23, 2010..................... | 28 | 19 | 15 | 14 | 24 | - |
| May 6-11, 2010......... | 29 | 20 | 12 | 14 | 24 | 1 |
| March 2010............................ | 31 | 19 | 11 | 14 | 24 | 1 |
| January 23-25, 2010. | 29 | 23 | 14 | 14 | 20 | - |
| January 10-14, 2010................ | 29 | 23 | 12 | 16 | 19 | 1 |
| December 2009 ...................... | 29 | 21 | 13 | 15 | 22 | - |
| October 2009......................... | 36 | 20 | 11 | 12 | 21 | - |
| September 2009 ..................... | 38 | 18 | 11 | 14 | 19 | - |
| July 2009 .............................. | 37 | 18 | 10 | 14 | 20 | 1 |
| June 2009............................. | 41 | 19 | 11 | 12 | 17 | - |
| April 2009 | 45 | 19 | 12 | 10 | 13 | 1 |
| February 2009 ........................ | 47 | 21 | 12 | 9 | 10 | 1 |
| January 2009. | 43 | 23 | 17 | 8 | 6 | 3 |
| December 2008. | 45 | 22 | 15 | 8 | 8 | 2 |
| October 17-20, 2008+.............. | 37 | 19 | 10 | 10 | 23 | 1 |
| October 4-5, 2008+................. | 30 | 22 | 12 | 12 | 23 | 1 |
| September 19-22, 2008+ ......... | 29 | 19 | 15 | 14 | 22 | 1 |
| September 6-8, 2008+ ............. | 33 | 20 | 13 | 12 | 20 | 2 |
| August 2008+ ......................... | 28 | 22 | 13 | 17 | 19 | 1 |
| July 2008+ | 27 | 21 | 16 | 11 | 23 | 2 |
| June 2008+.. | 25 | 23 | 17 | 11 | 22 | 2 |
| April 2008+ | 23 | 23 | 16 | 17 | 20 | 1 |
| March 2008+. | 24 | 25 | 18 | 16 | 16 | 1 |
| January 2008. | 19 | 30 | 22 | 11 | 14 | 4 |
| December 2007 | 17 | 29 | 22 | 14 | 12 | 6 |
| November 2007. | 15 | 28 | 24 | 12 | 12 | 9 |
| September 2007. | 15 | 27 | 23 | 13 | 12 | 10 |
| July 2007 ............................... | 16 | 26 | 24 | 12 | 10 | 12 |
| April 2007 | 19 | 26 | 25 | 8 | 6 | 16 |
| March 2007............................ | 18 | 19 | 26 | 11 | 6 | 20 |
| Barack Obama |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| High |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| February 2009 ........................ | 47 | 21 | 12 | 9 | 10 | 1 |
| Presidential Term Low |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| August 26-30, 2010 ................. | 26 | 20 | 12 | 14 | 27 | 1 |
| All-time Obama Low |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| October 28-30, 2006+............. | 14 | 17 | 18 | 5 | 6 | 40 |
| NBC-WSJ All-time Presidential Tracking High/Low within Presidential Term |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| High |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| March 1991 <br> (George H.W. Bush) | 50 | 30 | 9 | 6 | 4 | 1 |
| Low |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| October 17-20, 2008+ <br> (George W. Bush) | 11 | 18 | 11 | 15 | 45 | - |

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

| Q. 5 (cont'd) | Very Positive | Somewhat Positive | Neutral | Somewhat Negative | Very <br> Negative | Don't Know Name/ Not Sure |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The Tea Party Movement |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| December 2010.. | 15 | 18 | 20 | 14 | 23 | 10 |
| November 2010. | 14 | 16 | 21 | 13 | 25 | 11 |
| October 28-30, 2010+ ............... | 14 | 18 | 18 | 12 | 28 | 10 |
| October 14-18, 2010+ ............... | 14 | 16 | 20 | 11 | 27 | 12 |
| September 2010...................... | 15 | 15 | 21 | 13 | 23 | 13 |
| August 26-30, 2010 .................. | 12 | 16 | 19 | 12 | 24 | 17 |
| August 5-9, 2010 ................... | 14 | 16 | 23 | 12 | 22 | 13 |
| June 2010.. | 15 | 19 | 21 | 12 | 19 | 14 |
| May 6-11, 2010 ...................... | 16 | 15 | 21 | 10 | 20 | 18 |
| March 2010 ......................... | 13 | 16 | 22 | 10 | 18 | 21 |
| January 23-25, 2010 ................ | 14 | 14 | 20 | 6 | 15 | 31 |
| Michelle Obama |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| December 2010....................... | 33 | 19 | 25 | 11 | 10 | 2 |
| August 5-9, 2010 | 33 | 17 | 28 | 9 | 10 | 3 |
| January 10-14, 2010 ................. | 35 | 20 | 29 | 7 | 7 | 2 |
| April 2009. | 43 | 21 | 22 | 6 | 5 | 3 |
| February 2009 ......................... | 43 | 20 | 24 | 5 | 3 | 5 |
| December 2008..................... | 31 | 23 | 24 | 7 | 8 | 7 |
| September 6-8, 2008+............... | 21 | 19 | 23 | 11 | 20 | 6 |
| August 2008+ .......................... | 19 | 19 | 28 | 11 | 18 | 5 |
| July 2008+.............................. | 17 | 17 | 27 | 13 | 18 | 8 |
| March 2008+ ........................... | 14 | 18 | 32 | 9 | 11 | 16 |


| Q. 5 (cont'd) | Very Positive | Somewhat Positive | Neutral | Somewhat Negative | Very Negative | Don't <br> Know <br> Name/ <br> Not Sure |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The Democratic Party |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| December 2010*...................... | 9 | 28 | 20 | 18 | 23 | 2 |
| November 2010 ....................... | 14 | 26 | 18 | 18 | 23 | 1 |
| October 28-30, 2010+ ............... | 16 | 23 | 17 | 19 | 23 | 2 |
| October 14-18, 2010+ ............... | 14 | 24 | 16 | 19 | 26 | 1 |
| September 2010 ...................... | 15 | 22 | 20 | 20 | 22 | 1 |
| August 26-30, 2010................... | 11 | 25 | 19 | 19 | 24 | 2 |
| August 5-9, 2010...................... | 11 | 22 | 22 | 18 | 26 | 1 |
| June 2010 ............................... | 11 | 24 | 21 | 20 | 24 | - |
| May 20-23, 2010 ...................... | 15 | 26 | 18 | 18 | 22 | 1 |
| May 6-11, $2010 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~$ | 11 | 26 | 19 | 18 | 24 | 2 |
| March 2010............................ | 9 | 28 | 19 | 19 | 24 | 1 |
| January 23-25, 2010 .................. | 14 | 25 | 22 | 17 | 21 | 1 |
| January 10-14, 2010 ................. | 11 | 27 | 20 | 18 | 23 | 1 |
| December 2009 ....................... | 10 | 25 | 19 | 19 | 26 | 1 |
| October 2009 | 14 | 28 | 20 | 14 | 22 | 2 |
| September 2009 ....................... | 14 | 27 | 18 | 17 | 22 | 2 |
| July 2009.. | 13 | 29 | 19 | 17 | 20 | 2 |
| June 2009 ............................... | 19 | 26 | 16 | 16 | 21 | 2 |
| April 2009. | 17 | 28 | 19 | 15 | 19 | 2 |
| February 2009.......................... | 20 | 29 | 18 | 14 | 17 | 2 |
| December 2008 ........................ | 17 | 32 | 22 | 15 | 13 | 1 |
| October 17-20, 2008+ ............... | 16 | 23 | 22 | 17 | 21 | 1 |
| October 4-5, 2008+................... | 15 | 26 | 20 | 18 | 19 | 2 |
| September 19-22, 2008+ ........... | 19 | 23 | 20 | 16 | 20 | 2 |
| September 6-8, 2008+ ............... | 24 | 25 | 17 | 19 | 14 | 1 |
| August 2008+........................... | 17 | 26 | 21 | 16 | 19 | 1 |
| July 2008+ .............................. | 15 | 28 | 18 | 18 | 19 | 2 |
| June 2008+ .............................. | 16 | 27 | 24 | 13 | 19 | 1 |
| April 2008+.............................. | 17 | 27 | 22 | 15 | 17 | 2 |
| March 7-10, 2008+.................... | 20 | 25 | 18 | 16 | 19 | 2 |
| January 2008 | 22 | 25 | 19 | 18 | 15 | 1 |
| November 2007 ........................ | 12 | 27 | 24 | 18 | 17 | 2 |
| September 2007 ....................... | 8 | 26 | 27 | 22 | 16 | 1 |
| July 2007....... | 15 | 27 | 21 | 20 | 15 | 2 |
| January 2007 ........................... | 13 | 29 | 26 | 16 | 14 | 2 |
| October 28-30, 2006+ ................ | 14 | 25 | 25 | 18 | 17 | 1 |
| July 2006................................. | 7 | 25 | 27 | 22 | 17 | 2 |
| January 2006 ........................... | 11 | 25 | 28 | 20 | 15 | 1 |
| May 2005 ................................ | 12 | 26 | 26 | 20 | 14 | 2 |
| February 2005........................ | 14 | 28 | 28 | 16 | 13 | 1 |
| October 2004+ ......................... | 17 | 25 | 22 | 16 | 19 | 1 |
| January 2002 | 16 | 33 | 23 | 15 | 11 | 2 |
| January 1998 .......................... | 13 | 30 | 30 | 16 | 9 | 2 |
| January 1994 ........................... | 11 | 29 | 29 | 17 | 11 | 3 |
| High |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January 2000 ........................... | 20 | 30 | 23 | 15 | 10 | 2 |
| Low |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| July 2006................................. | 7 | 25 | 27 | 22 | 17 | 2 |


| Q. 5 (cont'd) | Very Positive | Somewhat Positive | Neutral | Somewhat Negative | Very Negative | Don't Know Name/ Not Sure |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Joe Biden |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| December 2010*................... | 10 | 24 | 25 | 15 | 18 | 8 |
| August 26-30, 2010............... | 13 | 21 | 21 | 15 | 20 | 9 |
| January 10-14, $2010 . . . . . . . . . . . .$. | 15 | 23 | 25 | 15 | 14 | 8 |
| July 2009 ............................ | 13 | 25 | 20 | 17 | 19 | 6 |
| January 2009 ....................... | 20 | 27 | 22 | 12 | 9 | 10 |
| December 2008 | 20 | 25 | 25 | 12 | 11 | 7 |
| October 17-20, 2008+............ | 28 | 23 | 19 | 12 | 14 | 4 |
| October 4-5, 2008+............... | 21 | 22 | 24 | 12 | 15 | 6 |
| September 19-22, 2008+ ........ | 17 | 20 | 25 | 13 | 16 | 9 |
| September 6-8, 2008+ ........... | 18 | 22 | 23 | 13 | 12 | 12 |
| September 2007 ................... | 4 | 13 | 26 | 11 | 11 | 35 |
| December 2006 .................... | 3 | 14 | 23 | 10 | 6 | 44 |
| June 2004+. | 5 | 11 | 25 | 6 | 4 | 49 |
| Sarah Palin |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| December 2010*................... | 13 | 15 | 20 | 16 | 34 | 2 |
| September 2010 ................... | 14 | 16 | 19 | 15 | 33 | 3 |
| June 2010. | 13 | 16 | 24 | 12 | 31 | 4 |
| March 2010.......................... | 12 | 18 | 21 | 13 | 32 | 4 |
| December 2009 .................... | 14 | 18 | 23 | 14 | 26 | 5 |
| October 2009 | 11 | 16 | 22 | 15 | 31 | 5 |
| July 2009 ............................. | 14 | 18 | 20 | 16 | 27 | 5 |
| April 2009............................ | 14 | 18 | 24 | 11 | 27 | 6 |
| December 2008 .................... | 15 | 20 | 16 | 15 | 30 | 4 |
| October 17-20, 2008+............ | 23 | 15 | 13 | 13 | 34 | 2 |
| October 4-5, 2008+............... | 26 | 18 | 15 | 15 | 22 | 4 |
| September 19-22, 2008+ ........ | 26 | 16 | 17 | 12 | 24 | 5 |
| September 6-8, 2008+ ........... | 30 | 17 | 17 | 10 | 17 | 9 |

[^0]| Q. 5 (cont'd) | Very Positive | Somewhat Positive | Neutral | Somewhat Negative | Very Negative | Don't Know Name/ Not Sure |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The Republican Party |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| December 2010**................... | 11 | 27 | 23 | 17 | 20 | 2 |
| November 2010........................ | 11 | 23 | 24 | 20 | 19 | 3 |
| October 28-30, 2010+ ............... | 12 | 22 | 24 | 18 | 23 | 1 |
| October 14-18, 2010+ ............... | 8 | 23 | 25 | 19 | 23 | 2 |
| September 2010...................... | 8 | 23 | 25 | 21 | 22 | 1 |
| August 26-30, $2010 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~$ | 7 | 23 | 25 | 22 | 21 | 2 |
| August 5-9, 2010..................... | 6 | 18 | 28 | 24 | 22 | 2 |
| June 2010 .............................. | 6 | 24 | 26 | 23 | 19 | 2 |
| May 20-23, 2010 ...................... | 10 | 23 | 26 | 21 | 19 | 1 |
| May 6-11, 2010 .................... | 8 | 22 | 26 | 22 | 20 | 2 |
| March 2010 ............................. | 6 | 25 | 24 | 20 | 23 | 2 |
| January 23-25, 2010 | 7 | 25 | 27 | 18 | 20 | 3 |
| January 10-14, 2010 ................. | 7 | 23 | 27 | 24 | 18 | 1 |
| December 2009....................... | 5 | 23 | 27 | 24 | 19 | 2 |
| October 2009 ......................... | 6 | 19 | 27 | 23 | 23 | 2 |
| September 2009...................... | 5 | 23 | 27 | 22 | 21 | 2 |
| July 2009................................ | 9 | 19 | 29 | 21 | 20 | 2 |
| June 2009 ............................... | 6 | 19 | 29 | 23 | 21 | 2 |
| April 2009. | 7 | 22 | 25 | 22 | 22 | 2 |
|  | 7 | 19 | 24 | 25 | 22 | 3 |
| December 2008. | 7 | 20 | 20 | 26 | 26 | 1 |
| October 17-20, 2008+ ............... | 11 | 21 | 18 | 23 | 25 | 2 |
| October 4-5, 2008+ ................. | 12 | 23 | 17 | 21 | 26 | 1 |
| September 19-22, 2008+........... | 13 | 21 | 18 | 19 | 28 | 1 |
| September 6-8, 2008+ .............. | 18 | 22 | 15 | 18 | 25 | 2 |
| August 2008+ .......................... | 10 | 25 | 22 | 19 | 23 | 1 |
| July 2008+.............................. | 8 | 23 | 20 | 22 | 26 | 1 |
| June 2008+ | 7 | 21 | 24 | 22 | 25 | 1 |
| April 2008+ ........................... | 8 | 19 | 23 | 22 | 26 | 2 |
| March 7-10, 2008+ | 10 | 24 | 15 | 21 | 28 | 2 |
| January 2008 ... | 13 | 21 | 26 | 19 | 18 | 3 |
| November 2007. | 8 | 24 | 24 | 20 | 22 | 2 |
| September 2007....................... | 8 | 23 | 20 | 27 | 20 | 2 |
| July 2007 .. | 8 | 25 | 19 | 23 | 23 | 2 |
| January 2007 | 10 | 23 | 21 | 23 | 21 | 2 |
| Oct 28-30, 2006+ ..................... | 15 | 20 | 16 | 20 | 28 | 1 |
| July 2006. | 11 | 22 | 18 | 21 | 25 | 3 |
| January 2006 .......................... | 13 | 24 | 20 | 20 | 22 | 1 |
| May 2005 | 13 | 27 | 17 | 19 | 22 | 2 |
| February 2005......................... | 17 | 27 | 19 | 18 | 18 | 1 |
| October 2004+ | 20 | 24 | 18 | 15 | 22 | 1 |
| January 2002 .......................... | 20 | 32 | 24 | 12 | 9 | 3 |
| January 1998 .......................... | 9 | 29 | 30 | 18 | 12 | 2 |
| January 1994 .......................... | 12 | 30 | 29 | 16 | 9 | 4 |
| High |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| December 2001....................... | 21 | 36 | 18 | 13 | 9 | 3 |
| Low |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| August 5-9, 2010..................... | 6 | 18 | 28 | 24 | 22 | 2 |

[^1]| Q. 5 (cont'd) | Very Positive | Somewhat Positive | Neutral | Somewhat Negative | Very Negative | Don't Know Name/ Not Sure |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Hillary Clinton |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| December 2010**............... | 26 | 28 | 18 | 11 | 16 | 1 |
| January 10-14, 2010 .......... | 25 | 27 | 22 | 13 | 12 | 1 |
| July 2009.......................... | 26 | 27 | 15 | 15 | 16 | 1 |
| January 2009 .................... | 27 | 29 | 14 | 15 | 14 | 1 |
| December 2008................. | 27 | 26 | 20 | 14 | 12 | 1 |
| September 2008+............... | 23 | 24 | 15 | 17 | 20 | 1 |
| August 2008+.................... | 17 | 25 | 16 | 18 | 23 | 1 |
| June 2008+ ....................... | 18 | 28 | 14 | 17 | 22 | 1 |
| April 2008+....................... | 20 | 22 | 14 | 19 | 25 | - |
| March 24-25, 2008+ ........... | 17 | 20 | 15 | 21 | 27 | - |
| March 7-10, 2008+ ............. | 22 | 23 | 11 | 14 | 29 | 1 |
| January 2008 .................... | 24 | 23 | 11 | 11 | 30 | 1 |
| June 2007 ........................ | 18 | 24 | 15 | 16 | 26 | 1 |
| March 2007 | 16 | 23 | 17 | 15 | 28 | 1 |
| December 2006................. | 21 | 22 | 17 | 12 | 26 | 2 |
| April 2006 ......................... | 19 | 19 | 19 | 13 | 28 | 2 |
| December 2004................. | 24 | 21 | 14 | 11 | 29 | 1 |
| July 2003.......................... | 16 | 21 | 20 | 13 | 27 | 3 |
| January 2001 .................... | 27 | 22 | 13 | 12 | 24 | 2 |
| High |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January 1999 .................... | 35 | 23 | 16 | 11 | 14 | 1 |
| Low |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| March 2001 ....................... | 16 | 19 | 15 | 18 | 31 | 1 |
| Mitt Romney |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| December 9-13, 2010**........ | 10 | 18 | 30 | 10 | 10 | 22 |
| September 2010................. | 6 | 15 | 29 | 20 | 10 | 20 |
| March 2010 ........................ | 7 | 20 | 29 | 16 | 9 | 19 |
| July 2009........................... | 10 | 18 | 30 | 12 | 8 | 22 |
| April 2008+ | 9 | 19 | 31 | 17 | 11 | 13 |
| January 2008 ..................... | 7 | 21 | 24 | 19 | 13 | 16 |
| December 2007.................. | 9 | 16 | 26 | 16 | 11 | 22 |
| November 2007.................. | 4 | 18 | 27 | 17 | 12 | 22 |
| September 2007................. | 6 | 18 | 26 | 14 | 11 | 25 |
| June 2007 .......................... | 5 | 16 | 23 | 13 | 7 | 36 |
| March 2007 ....................... | 4 | 11 | 24 | 11 | 6 | 44 |
| December 2006.................. | 3 | 8 | 22 | 7 | 4 | 56 |
| John Thune |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| December 9-13, 2010**........ | 2 | 3 | 13 | 4 | 3 | 76 |

[^2]|  | TOTAL POSITIVE | TOTAL NEGATIVE | DIS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Michelle Obama | 52 | 21 | 31 |
| Hillary Clinton | 54 | 27 | 27 |
| Barack Obama | 48 | 38 | 10 |
| Mitt Romney | 28 | 20 | 8 |
| The Republican Party | 38 | 37 | 1 |
| Joe Biden | 34 | 33 | 1 |
| John Thune | 5 | 6 | -1 |
| The Tea Party Movement | 33 | 37 | -4 |
| The Democratic Party | 37 | 41 | -4 |
| Sarah Palin | 28 | 50 | -22 |

Q6 Overall, how do you feel about the results of this year's elections--do you feel they are very positive for the country, somewhat positive, somewhat negative, or very negative for the country?

|  | 12/10 | 11/10 | 12/94 | 11/9/94+ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Very positive. | 16 | 17 | 19 | 25 |
| Somewhat positive | 41 | 44 | 45 | 44 |
| Somewhat negative. | 24 | 22 | 19 | 14 |
| Very negative.......... | 14 | 11 | 10 | 9 |
| Neutral/mixed (VOL). | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Not sure | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |

Now thinking ahead to the next election for President in 2012...
Q7 If President Obama runs for re-election in the year 2012, do you think you will probably vote for President Obama or probably vote for the Republican candidate?

Probably vote for President Obama .................................. 42
Probably vote for Republican candidate .......................... 39
Vote for other party (VOL) ............................................ 3
Depends/Depends on who opponent is (VOL) .............. 10
Not sure ......................................................................... 6

| PRESIDENT BUSH TREND - OCTOBER 2002 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Probably vote for President Bush.................................... | 45 |
| Probably vote for Democratic candidate ....................... | 31 |
| Vote for other party (VOL) ...................................... | 3 |
| Depends/Depends on who opponent is (VOL) ............. | 17 |
| Not sure ............................................................... | 4 |

## (RANDOMIZE Q8A-Q8C)

Q8a If the next election for president were held today, and (ROTATE) Mitt Romney were Republican candidate and Barack Obama were the Democratic candidate, for whom would you vote?

|  | 12/10 | 1/08 | 11/07 | 9/07 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mitt Romney | 40 | 35 | 36 | 34 |
| Barack Obama. | 47 | 48 | 48 | 51 |
| Depends (VOL).. | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Neither/other (VOL) | 6 | 7 | 6 | 7 |
| Not sure.. | 6 | 8 | 9 | 7 |

Q8b If the next election for president were held today, and (ROTATE) Sarah Palin were the Republican candidate and Barack Obama were the Democratic candidate, for whom would you vote?

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Sarah Palin.............................................................. }3
Barack Obama.................................................................................... }5
Depends (VOL) ...................................................... }
Neither/other (VOL) ............................................. }
Not sure................................................................ }
```

Q8c If the next election for president were held today, and (ROTATE) John Thune were the Republican candidate and Barack Obama were the Democratic candidate, for whom would you vote?

John Thune...................................................................... 27
Barack Obama................................................................. 47
Depends (VOL) ............................................................ 3
Neither/other (VOL) ..................................................... 6
Not sure........................................................................ 17

Now, thinking about something else...
Q9 How confident are you that Barack Obama has the right set of goals and policies to be president of the United States--extremely confident, quite confident, only somewhat confident, or not at all confident?

|  | $\underline{12 / 10}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 8 / 5- \\ & 9 / 10 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 6/10 | $\begin{aligned} & 1 / 23- \\ & 25 / 10 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1 / 10- \\ & 14 / 10 \end{aligned}$ | 12/09 | 9/09 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Extremely confident....................... | 15 | 19 | 21 | 19 | 23 | 19 | 24 |
| Quite confident ............................. | 21 | 21 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 20 | 21 |
| Only somewhat confident ................ | 28 | 22 | 22 | 32 | 25 | 28 | 23 |
| Not at all confident......................... | 36 | 38 | 37 | 29 | 30 | 33 | 31 |
| Not sure..................................... | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 1 |
|  |  |  | $7 / 09$ | 4/09 | $\underline{2 / 09}$ | 1/09 | 12/08 |
|  |  |  | 25 | 25 | 31 | 29 | 30 |
|  |  |  | 21 | 27 | 23 | 25 | 24 |
|  |  |  | 23 | 25 | 26 | 30 | 29 |
|  |  |  | 30 | 23 | 19 | 15 | 16 |
|  |  |  | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | 1 |

Q10 Some people say that in the November elections Americans were sending a message to President Obama that he needs to change some of his programs and policies. Which of the following statements comes closest to your point of view on this?

Statement A: President Obama has gotten the message from the elections and is making the necessary adjustments.

Statement B: President Obama has gotten the message from the elections but is NOT making the necessary adjustments.

Statement C: President Obama has NOT gotten the message from the elections.
Statement D: The elections were not a message to President Obama to change his programs and policies.

|  |  | President |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bush |  |  |

Q11 Which ONE of the following statements best describes your feelings toward Barack Obama? (READ LIST. ACCEPT ONLY ONE RESPONSE. IF MORE THAN ONE, SAY:) Well, if you had to choose just one statement, which would you choose?

|  | 12/10 | $\begin{array}{r} 5 / 6- \\ 10 / 10 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 1/10 | 10/09 | 9/09 | 6/09 | 4/09 | 1/09 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Like personally and approve most policies... | 37 | 43 | 42 | 44 | 46 | 48 | 51 | 55 |
| Like personally but disapprove of many policies. | 35 | 26 | 33 | 30 | 31 | 27 | 30 | 22 |
| Don't like personally, approve most of policies.... | 4 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 5 |
| Don't like personally, disapprove many policies .. | 21 | 25 | 19 | 19 | 18 | 16 | 12 | 10 |
| None of these (VOL) ..................................... | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 3 |
| Not sure...................................................... | 1 | - | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 5 |

Q12 How would you rate Barack Obama on the following qualities, using a five-point scale, on which a "five" means a very good rating, a "one" means a very poor rating, and a "three" means a mixed rating? (RANDOMIZE) (IF "NOT SURE," RECORD AS "DK.")

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY VERY GOOD RATING (SCORE OF "4-5")

|  | Very Good Rating |  |  | Very Poor Rating |  | Cannot |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\underline{5}$ | 4 | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{2}$ | 1 | Rate |
| Having a strong family and good family values |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| December 2010*. | 56 | 18 | 14 | 5 | 6 | 1 |
| Being easygoing and likable |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| December 2010** | 41 | 27 | 16 | 8 | 8 | - |
| June 2010 .......................................................... | 43 | 21 | 19 | 7 | 10 | - |
| January 10-14, 2010 ............................................ | 52 | 20 | 17 | 5 | 6 | - |
| October 2009 | 54 | 18 | 15 | 5 | 7 | 1 |
| July 2009 | 54 | 19 | 12 | 6 | 8 | 1 |
| April 2009. | 60 | 21 | 8 | 5 | 5 | 1 |
| January 2009 ...................................................... | 54 | 23 | 16 | 2 | 3 | 2 |
| June 2008+. | 37 | 32 | 18 | 7 | 5 | 1 |
| March 2008+. | 39 | 30 | 17 | 5 | 7 | 2 |
| November 2007+ | 34 | 30 | 21 | 6 | 5 | 4 |
| Being an inspirational and exciting president |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| December 2010*. | 31 | 20 | 20 | 10 | 19 | - |
| January 10-14, 2010 | 40 | 19 | 19 | 9 | 13 | - |
| October 2009........................................................ | 42 | 18 | 12 | 10 | 17 | 1 |
| April 2009. | 50 | 19 | 16 | 6 | 9 | - |
| January 2009 ${ }^{2}$ | 54 | 21 | 14 | 5 | 6 | - |
| June 2008+......................................................... | 40 | 21 | 16 | 11 | 11 | 1 |
| March 2008+. | 36 | 20 | 19 | 10 | 13 | 2 |
| November 2007+ ................................................. | 21 | 21 | 29 | 10 | 15 | 4 |
| Having strong leadership qualities |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| December 2010*. | 26 | 23 | 19 | 12 | 21 | - |
|  | 27 | 22 | 19 | 10 | 22 | - |
| January 10-14, 2010 ............................................ | 34 | 23 | 18 | 11 | 13 | 1 |
| October 2009 | 36 | 20 | 17 | 9 | 17 | 1 |
| July 2009. | 38 | 23 | 15 | 9 | 15 | - |
| April 2009 | 46 | 22 | 15 | 8 | 9 | - |
| January $2009^{1}$................................................... | 44 | 26 | 16 | 6 | 7 | 1 |
| June 2008+ ......................................................... | 23 | 24 | 30 | 10 | 12 | 1 |
| March 2008+........................................................ | 24 | 22 | 27 | 9 | 16 | 2 |
| November 2007+ ................................................. | 15 | 24 | 28 | 14 | 15 | 4 |


| Q12 (cont'd) | Very Good Rating |  |  | Very Poor Rating |  | Cannot <br> Rate |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\underline{5}$ | 4 | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{2}$ | $\underline{1}$ |  |
| Being honest and straightforward |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| December 2010*. | 29 | 19 | 18 | 12 | 22 | - |
| June 2010 | 28 | 18 | 19 | 10 | 24 | 1 |
| January 10-14, 2010 | 35 | 16 | 19 | 9 | 21 | - |
| October 2009 | 33 | 18 | 17 | 8 | 23 | 1 |
| April 2009. | 40 | 24 | 14 | 7 | 13 | 2 |
| January 2009 ........................................................ | 41 | 22 | 20 | 6 | 8 | 3 |
| June 2008+. | 25 | 27 | 22 | 12 | 13 | 1 |
| March 2008. | 29 | 24 | 22 | 7 | 14 | 4 |
| November 2007+ | 26 | 25 | 27 | 8 | 9 | 5 |
| Being knowledgeable and experienced enough to handle the presidency |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| December 2010*. | 23 | 21 | 19 | 11 | 26 | - |
| January 10-14, 2010 | 25 | 22 | 18 | 13 | 21 | 1 |
|  | 28 | 19 | 17 | 11 | 25 | - |
| April 2009. | 31 | 25 | 19 | 10 | 15 | - |
| January 2009 | 26 | 25 | 23 | 11 | 14 | 1 |
| June 2008+. | 10 | 20 | 32 | 15 | 22 | 1 |
| March 2008......................................................... | 11 | 17 | 30 | 14 | 25 | 3 |
| November 2007+ | 11 | 18 | 28 | 17 | 21 | 5 |
| Representing traditional American values |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| December 2010** | 26 | 17 | 20 | 9 | 27 | 1 |
| April 2009. | 35 | 20 | 15 | 10 | 18 | 2 |
| January 2009 | 36 | 24 | 17 | 9 | 12 | 2 |
| Having the ability to handle a crisis |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| December 2010** | 22 | 20 | 21 | 13 | 22 | - |
| June 2010. | 20 | 20 | 21 | 13 | 26 | - |
| January 10-14, 2010 | 29 | 22 | 18 | 10 | 20 | 1 |
| October 2009 | 27 | 18 | 20 | 12 | 21 | 2 |
| April 2009. | 31 | 23 | 20 | 9 | 14 | 3 |
|  | 25 | 21 | 25 | 14 | 9 | 6 |
| Being a good commander-in-chief |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| December 2010*. | 22 | 19 | 22 | 13 | 23 | 1 |
| January 10-14, 2010............................................. | 28 | 21 | 19 | 12 | 20 | - |
| October 2009 | 26 | 20 | 18 | 10 | 25 | 1 |
| April 2009... | 33 | 22 | 20 | 8 | 15 | 2 |
| January 2009. | 32 | 23 | 20 | 8 | 12 | 5 |
| June 2008+........................................................... | 13 | 20 | 26 | 15 | 24 | 2 |
| March 2008+... | 19 | 22 | 28 | 13 | 16 | 2 |
| November 2007+ | 12 | 17 | 30 | 15 | 21 | 5 |


| Q12 (cont'd) | Very Good Rating |  |  | Very Poor Rating |  | Cannot |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\underline{5}$ | 4 | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{2}$ | 1 | Rate |
| Being firm and decisive in his decision-making |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| December 2010** | 19 | 22 | 28 | 12 | 18 | 1 |
| June 2010............................................................ | 20 | 24 | 23 | 12 | 20 | 1 |
| January 10-14, 2010 ............................................ | 29 | 20 | 24 | 11 | 16 | - |
| October 2009 | 27 | 21 | 19 | 14 | 19 | - |
| July 2009 | 27 | 30 | 22 | 8 | 13 | - |
| April 2009 .......................................................... | 34 | 31 | 15 | 9 | 10 | 1 |
| January 2009 | 37 | 26 | 20 | 4 | 9 | 4 |
| Sharing your positions on the issues |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| December 2010** | 17 | 18 | 27 | 13 | 25 | 1 |
| January 10-14, 2010 ........................................... | 20 | 18 | 24 | 10 | 27 | 1 |
| October 2009 ....................................................... | 21 | 18 | 22 | 11 | 27 | 1 |
| July 2009 ............................................................ | 23 | 21 | 21 | 9 | 25 | 1 |
| April 2009. | 26 | 22 | 21 | 11 | 19 | 1 |
| January 2009 ...................................................... | 29 | 23 | 22 | 12 | 13 | 1 |
| June 2008+. | 21 | 18 | 23 | 14 | 23 | 1 |
| March 2008+. | 18 | 21 | 23 | 13 | 21 | 4 |
| November 2007+ | 13 | 20 | 28 | 12 | 21 | 6 |
| Achieving his goals |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| December 2010** | 11 | 22 | 35 | 15 | 16 | 1 |
| January 10-14, 2010 | 17 | 23 | 32 | 13 | 14 | 1 |
| October 2009 | 17 | 20 | 30 | 14 | 18 | 1 |
| April 2009........................................................... | 25 | 35 | 25 | 5 | 8 | 2 |
| January 2009 | 32 | 24 | 24 | 9 | 5 | 6 |
| Uniting the country |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| December 2010** ................................................ | 14 | 16 | 27 | 14 | 28 | 1 |
| January 10-14, 2010 ........................................... | 20 | 20 | 25 | 11 | 24 | - |
| October 2009 ...................................................... | 20 | 18 | 24 | 13 | 24 | 1 |
| April 2009............................................................ | 28 | 29 | 19 | 8 | 15 | 1 |
| January 2009 | 36 | 24 | 22 | 9 | 7 | 2 |
| Changing business as usual in Washington |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| December 2010* | 11 | 13 | 32 | 15 | 25 | 4 |
| January 10-14, 2010 ........................................... | 13 | 17 | 32 | 12 | 24 | 2 |
| October 2009 ...................................................... | 19 | 19 | 24 | 9 | 26 | 3 |
| April 2009.......................................................... | 22 | 25 | 22 | 11 | 16 | 4 |
| * Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A). <br> ** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B). |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{1}$ Prior to January 2009, the item was phrased, "Having the strong leadership qualities needed to be president." <br> ${ }^{2}$ Prior to January 2009, the item was phrased, "Being inspirational and an exciting choice for president." <br> + Results shown reflect responses among registered voters. |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Q13 Thinking about Barack Obama, both personally and how he has handled the job of being president, do you think he will be a successful president or he will be an unsuccessful president, or at this time are you not ready to make that judgment?

|  | 12/10 | $\begin{aligned} & 1 / 10- \\ & 14 / 10 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Will be a successful president. | 28 | 37 |
| Will be an unsuccessful president. | 29 | 21 |
| Not ready to make judgment. | 42 | 40 |
| Mixed/some of both (VOL) . | - | 1 |
| Not sure | 1 | 1 |

Q14 Which one change do you feel that Barack Obama most needs to make in the next two years? (READ.
RANDOMIZE, ACCEPT ONLY ONE RESPONSE.)
this table has been ranked by higest percentage
Focus more on the economy ................................................................... 36
Bring the troops home from Afghanistan ......................................................... 17
Focus more on reducing the deficit............................................................ 15
Work for the middle class ......................................................................... 13
Work more closely with the Republicans .................................................. 10
Stick to his principles .................................................................................. 7
None (VOL) ............................................................................................ 1
Other (VOL) .......................................................................................... 1
Not Sure .................................................................................................. 1

And, thinking about something else...
Q15 Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as (ROTATE:) a Democrat, a Republican, an independent, or something else? (IF "DEMOCRAT" OR "REPUBLICAN," ASK:) Would you call yourself a strong (Democrat/Republican) or not a very strong (Democrat/Republican)? (IF "NOT SURE," CODE AS "NOT VERY STRONG DEMOCRAT/REPUBLICAN.") (IF "INDEPENDENT," ASK:) Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican Party, closer to the Democratic Party, or do you think of yourself as strictly independent? (IF "NOT SURE," CODE AS "STRICTLY INDEPENDENT.")

| $g$ Democrat | 21 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Not very strong Democrat | 12 |
| Independent/lean Democrat. | 9 |
| Strictly Independent. | 17 |
| Independent/lean Republican......... | 10 |
| Not very strong Republican . | 9 |
| Strong Republican. | 14 |
| Other (VOL) | 7 |
| Not sure |  |

Now, thinking about something else...
Q16a Do you consider yourself a supporter of the Tea Party Movement?

|  | $\underline{12 / 10+}$ | $\underline{11 / 10+}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 10 / 28- \\ & 30 / 10+ \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 10/14- } \\ & \text { 18/10+ } \end{aligned}$ | $\underline{9 / 10}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Yes | 29 | 30 | 28 | 30 | 28 |
| No | 61 | 59 | 61 | 59 | 61 |
| Depends (VOL) | 3 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 3 |
| Not sure ........... | 7 | 7 | 8 | 10 | 8 |

ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SUPPORT THE TEA PARTY (Q16a:1) AND ARE REPUBLICAN (Q15:5-7).
Q16b Which better describes you, (ROTATE:) a supporter of the Tea Party Movement or a Republican?

|  | 12/10+ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | GOP and Tea Party Supporters |
| Supporter of the Tea Party Movement.. | 10 | 49 |
| Republican | 9 | 49 |
| Both (VOL) | - | 2 |
| Not sure | - | 1 |
| Not Republican and Tea Party Supporters ............. | 81 | n/a |


|  | 11/10+ |  | 10/28-30/10+ |  | 10/14-18/10+ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | All Reg Voters | GOP and Tea Party Supporters | All Reg Voters | $\begin{aligned} & \text { GOP and } \\ & \text { Tea Party } \\ & \text { Supporters } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | All Reg Voters | GOP and Tea Party Supporters |
| Supporter of the Tea Party Movement ......... | 8 | 40 | 9 | 46 | 10 | 45 |
| Republican ............................................ | 11 | 51 | 8 | 44 | 10 | 46 |
| Both (VOL) ......................................... | 1 | 5 | 1 | 8 | 1 | 6 |
| Not sure | 1 | 4 | 1 | 2 | - | 3 |
| Not Republican and Tea Party Supporters... | 79 | n/a | 81 | n/a | 79 | n/a |

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters


## (ROTATE Q17A AND Q17B AMONG INDEPENDENTS)

(ASK ONLY OF DEMOCRATS AND INDEPENDENTS IN Q15)
Q17a Do you want Democratic leaders in the House and Senate to make compromises to gain consensus on legislation, or do you want them stick to their positions even if this means not being able to gain consensus on legislation?

|  | Total Democrats and Independents | Democrats | Independents |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Make compromises....................... | 64 | 63 | 65 |
| Stick to their positions .................... | 29 | 29 | 27 |
| Depends (VOL) ........................... | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Neither (VOL)............................. | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Not sure ..................................... | 4 | 5 | 4 |

## (ASK ONLY OF REPUBLICANS AND INDEPENDENTS Q15)

Q17b Do you want Republican leaders in the House and Senate to make compromises to gain consensus on legislation, or do you want them stick to their positions even if this means not being able to gain consensus on legislation?

|  | Total Republicans and Independents | Republicans | Independents |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Make compromises......................... | 53 | 47 | 64 |
| Stick to their positions...................... | 38 | 47 | 23 |
| Depends (VOL)............................. | 3 | 2 | 3 |
| Neither (VOL).............................. | - | - | 1 |
| Not sure ..................................... | 6 | 4 | 9 |

Now turning to the economy...
Q18 During the next twelve months, do you think that the nation's economy will get better, get worse, or stay about the same?

|  | 12/10 | 11/10 | $\begin{aligned} & 10 / 14- \\ & \underline{18 / 10+} \end{aligned}$ | 9/10 | $\begin{aligned} & 8 / 26- \\ & 30 / 10 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 8 / 5- \\ & 9 / 10 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 6/10 | $\begin{gathered} 5 / 6- \\ 10 / 10 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | 3/10 | $\begin{aligned} & 1 / 10- \\ & 14 / 10 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Economy will get better ................. | 32 | 37 | 37 | 32 | 26 | 34 | 33 | 40 | 41 | 41 |
| Economy will get worse ................. | 24 | 15 | 20 | 24 | 26 | 25 | 23 | 20 | 22 | 19 |
| Economy will stay about the same .. | 42 | 46 | 41 | 41 | 45 | 39 | 43 | 38 | 36 | 38 |
| Not sure.................................... | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
|  |  | 10/09 | 9/09 | $7 / 09$ | 6/09 | 4/09 | 12/08 | 10/08+ | 7108+ | 6/08+ |
|  |  | 42 | 47 | 44 | 46 | 38 | 36 | 38 | 25 | 21 |
|  |  | 22 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 30 | 28 | 20 | 43 | 49 |
|  |  | 33 | 30 | 32 | 29 | 30 | 34 | 37 | 28 | 27 |
|  |  | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 4 | 3 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 9- |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 4/08+ | 3/07 | 1/07 | 10/06+ | 6/06 | 4/06 | 3/06 | 1/06 |
|  |  |  | 19 | 16 | 21 | 22 | 16 | 17 | 24 | 24 |
|  |  |  | 45 | 31 | 16 | 22 | 39 | 44 | 27 | 30 |
|  |  |  | 29 | 49 | 60 | 51 | 43 | 36 | 46 | 42 |
|  |  |  | 7 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 4 |
|  |  |  | 12/05 | 5/05 | 1/05 | 10/04+ | 9/04+ | 5/04+ | 3/04+ | 1/04 |
|  |  |  | 26 | 28 | 43 | 43 | 43 | 42 | 44 | 50 |
|  |  |  | 34 | 30 | 17 | 10 | 13 | 16 | 18 | 10 |
|  |  |  | 37 | 36 | 36 | 33 | 33 | 34 | 35 | 37 |
|  |  |  | 3 | 6 | 4 | 14 | 11 | 8 | 3 | 3 |
|  |  |  | 11/03 | 9/03 | 7/03 | 5/03+ | 1/03 | 12/02 | 10/02+ | 9/02 |
|  |  |  | 49 | 44 | 45 | 49 | 35 | 40 | 41 | 39 |
|  |  |  | 15 | 19 | 16 | 17 | 25 | 20 | 20 | 18 |
|  |  |  | 33 | 33 | 34 | 31 | 37 | 35 | 34 | 39 |
|  |  |  | 3 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 4 |


| Q18 (cont'd) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $7 / 02$ | $4 / 02$ | 12/01 | $4 / 01^{1}$ | 3/01 | 10/98+ | 9/98 | 4/97 |
| Economy will get better .................. | 41 | 50 | 50 | 36 | 28 | 17 | 19 | 19 |
| Economy will get worse.................. | 20 | 13 | 15 | 25 | 29 | 24 | 22 | 22 |
| Economy will stay about the same ... | 37 | 32 | 32 | 34 | 37 | 54 | 53 | 57 |
| Not sure..................................... | 2 | 5 | 3 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 6 | 2 |
|  | 1/96 | $7 / 95$ | 4/95 | 12/94 | 10/94 | 9/94 | 6/94 | 5/94 |
|  | 21 | 20 | 24 | 31 | 31 | 28 | 28 | 27 |
|  | 21 | 21 | 23 | 17 | 24 | 24 | 17 | 21 |
|  | 52 | 54 | 50 | 46 | 40 | 44 | 52 | 49 |
|  | 6 | 5 | 3 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 3 |
|  | 3/94 | 1/94 | 10/93 | 9/93 | 7/93 | 6/93 | 4/93 | 3/93 |
|  | 29 | 44 | 21 | 23 | 20 | 23 | 33 | 39 |
|  | 16 | 16 | 27 | 24 | 29 | 27 | 21 | 15 |
|  | 52 | 36 | 50 | 51 | 48 | 47 | 44 | 43 |
|  | 3 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 |

[^3]+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Q19 When you think about the current economic conditions, do you feel that this is a situation that Barack Obama has inherited or is this a situation his policies are mostly responsible for?

|  | $\underline{12 / 10}$ | 9/10 | $\begin{aligned} & 1 / 10- \\ & 14 / 10 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 10/09 | 6/09 | $\underline{2 / 09}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Situation Obama inherited. | 65 | 56 | 65 | 63 | 72 | 84 |
| Situation Obama's policies mostly responsible for ...... | 21 | 32 | 17 | 20 | 14 | 8 |
| Some of both (VOL) ............................................ | 12 | 10 | 16 | 15 | 10 | 6 |
| Not sure............................................................ | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 2 |

As you may know, recently President Obama announced an agreement with the Republican leadership in Congress to accept a continuation for two years of the Bush tax cuts for all taxpayers, including those with incomes over two hundred and fifty thousand dollars. In exchange, the Republican leadership in Congress is accepting an extension on unemployment benefits for another year and a two percent reduction of Social Security payroll taxes for all taxpayers for one year.

Q20a Do you approve or disapprove of this agreement?*


Q20b When it comes to this agreement, do you think (ROTATE) -- President Obama gave up too much, that the Republican leadership in Congress gave up too much -- or that it is a fair compromise on both sides?**

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { President Obama gave up too much............................. } 23 \\
& \text { Republican leadership gave up too much ..................... } 10 \\
& \text { Fair compromise on both sides ..................................... } 61 \\
& \text { Not Sure..................................................................... } 6 \\
& \text { ** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B). }
\end{aligned}
$$

## (ASKED 12/10-13/10)

Q20c Suppose that the Congress is unable to reach an agreement on continuing the current tax cuts. Who do you think would be most responsible for this not getting done--the Republicans in Congress, the Democrats in Congress, or President Obama?

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { Republicans in Congress ............................................ } 34 \\
& \text { Democrats in Congress............................................... } 36 \\
& \text { President Obama ........................................................ } 15 \\
& \text { All equally (VOL) ..................................................... } 8 \\
& \text { None (VOL) ........................................................... } 1 \\
& \text { Not sure .................................................................. } 6
\end{aligned}
$$

## Now, thinking about something slightly different...

Q21 Given the current economic conditions is this a good time to deal with the deficit or should the deficit only be dealt with once the economy improves and there is less unemployment?

> This is a good time to deal with the deficit .......................................... 51
> The deficit should be dealt with when the economy improves ................................................................................................................ 45
> Not Sure .........

Q22 Now, as you may know, the U.S. government is facing a large budget deficit. Would you prefer that government...
A) Reduce the deficit by increasing taxes, although this could slow the economic recovery,
B) Reduce the deficit by cutting spending, although this could affect important education and health care programs,
C) Let the deficit increase now to try to boost the economy, although this could lead to even higher taxes or larger spending cuts later.

|  | 12/10 | 12/08 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Reduce the deficit by increasing taxes...... | 19 | 18 |
| Reduce the deficit by cutting spending...... | 53 | 41 |
| Let deficit increase now.. | 19 | 29 |
| None (VOL). | 4 | n/a |
| Not sure | 5 | 12 |

Q23 As you may know, recently President Obama created a Deficit Commission of Republicans and Democrats to recommend a plan to reduce the federal deficit. The proposal would reduce deficits by about four trillion dollars over the next decade. To get these savings, the commission recommends both tax increases on all Americans and spending cuts that would also affect all Americans. Would you strongly favor, somewhat favor, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose this?

| Strongly favor | 12 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Somewhat favor | 41 |
| Somewhat oppose | 24 |
| Strongly oppose | 20 |
| No opinion (VOL) | 3 |

Q24 Recently, a commission in Washington, DC proposed several ideas for ways to reduce the federal deficit. I'm going to read you several of these proposals. For each one, please tell me if you would find this totally acceptable, mostly acceptable, mostly unacceptable, or totally unacceptable as a way to help reduce the federal deficit. (RANDOMIZE)

THIS TABLE IS RANKED BY \% TOTAL ACCEPTABLE


Freeze the salaries of federal government employees and members of Congress for three years.
December 2010* $\qquad$
Freeze discretionary spending-that is, spending that is not required by law-now, and then reduce it to 2008 levels over the next two years.
December 2010* ....................................................
Eliminate spending on so-called earmarks for special projects and specific areas of the country.
December 2010** $\qquad$
Eliminate most tax deductions in return for lower tax rates.
December 2010 $\qquad$
Eliminate the mortgage interest deduction for second homes, home equity loans, and any portion of a mortgage over five hundred thousand dollars.
December 2010 $\qquad$
Increase the capital gains tax rate for money earned on investments.
December 2010** $\qquad$ .....
24

## Gradually raise the Social Security retirement

 age so that by the year 2075 the retirement age is sixty-nine.December 2010
Take half the spending cuts in coming years from defense and other security programs.
December 2010** $\qquad$
Gradually eliminate the tax break employers get for providing health insurance.
December 2010 $\qquad$
Raise the federal gasoline tax by fifteen cents per gallon starting in 2012.
December 2010* $\qquad$ 11

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


## Now, thinking about Afghanistan...

Q25 President Obama has pledged to start reducing American troop levels in Afghanistan next year, but a recent plan by the U.S. and its NATO allies see some combat troops remaining there until 2014. Do you strongly approve, somewhat approve, somewhat disapprove or strongly disapprove of leaving some American troops in Afghanistan until 2014?

| Strongly approve | 19 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Somewhat approve | 34 |
| Somewhat disapprov | 16 |
| Strongly disapprove . | 29 |
| No opinion (VOL) | 2 |

Q26 Earlier this year, President Obama and Russian President Medvedev signed a Strategic Arms Reduction, or START treaty, that reduces each country's arsenal of nuclear weapons and increases how closely each country can monitor the other country's nuclear weapons. The U.S. Senate must still approve that treaty before it takes effect. Do you think the Senate should approve the START treaty or not?
Senate should approve ..... 70
Senate should not approve ..... 25
No opinion (VOL) ..... 5

## Now, getting toward the end of the survey...

Q27 In thinking about the last ten years in America, do you feel it has been one of the best decades in American history, a very good decade, an average decade, a very bad decade, or one of the worst decades in American history? (ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM/BOTTOM TO TOP)

> One of the best decades in American history.............. 3
> A very good decade ..................................................... 9
> An average decade .................................................... 34
> A very bad decade ..................................................... 31
> One of the worst decades in American history............ 23
> Not sure

Q28 Thinking about the first ten years of the twenty first century-which of these events had the greatest effect on you personally? (READ. RANDOMIZE, ACCEPT ONLY ONE RESPONSE.)
this table has been ranked by higest percentage
The economic recession................................................... 39
The terrorists attacks on September 11, 2001................. 33
U.S. wars in Iraq and Afghanistan ................................... 11

The federal budget deficit ............................................... 7
Hurricane Katrina............................................................ 5
The BP oil spill in the Gulf............................................... 2
Other (VOL) .................................................................. 1
None (VOL) ............................................................... 1
Not sure........................................................................ 1

## And, thinking about you...

Q29 From which ONE of the following television news sources do you get MOST of your information about politics and current events? If you do not watch any of these, please just say so. (READ LIST. ACCEPT ONLY ONE RESPONSE.)

Broadcast network news, such as NBC, ABC, or CBS......... 33
The cable channel CNN ....................................................... 17
The cable channel MSNBC ................................................... 7
The cable channel Fox News .............................................. 27
None of these (VOL) .......................................................... 14
Not sure............................................................................. 2

## FACTUALS: Now I am going to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes only.

## (ASK ALL)

QF1a Are you currently registered to vote at this address?

| Registered........................................................................................................................ | 14 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Not registered |  |

F1b/c. A lot of people are unable to get out and vote for many reasons. Did you happen to vote in last November's election for president? (IF "YES," ASK:) For whom did you vote-Barack Obama, John McCain, or someone else?

> Yes, Voted
> Voted for Barack Obama................ 41
> Voted for John McCain.................... 32
> Voted for someone else ................. 5
> Not sure.......................................... 4
> No, Did Not Vote .............................. 17
> Not sure........................................ 1

QF1d And did you happen to vote in the 2006 election for U.S. Congress?

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\begin{array}{cc}
\text { Yes, voted ..................................................................................................................... } & 62 \\
\text { No, did not vote }
\end{array}
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QF2 Are you currently employed? (IF "CURRENTLY EMPLOYED," ASK:) What type of work do you do? (RECORD UNDER "6--OTHER.") (IF "NOT CURRENTLY EMPLOYED," ASK:) Are you a student, a homemaker, retired, or unemployed and looking for work?

| Currently Employed |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Professional, manager. | 35 |
| White-collar worker | 7 |
| Blue-collar worker | 12 |
| Farmer, rancher | - |
| Not Currently Employed |  |
| Student | 4 |
| Homemaker | 6 |
| Retired. | 20 |
| Unemployed, looking for work | 8 |
| Other | - |
| Not sure | 6 |

QF3 What is the last grade that you completed in school? (DO NOT READ CHOICES.)
Grade school. ..... 1
Some high school. ..... 5
High school graduate ..... 25
Some college, no degree ..... 19
Vocational training/2-year college ..... 9
4-year college/bachelor's degree ..... 23
Some postgraduate work, no degree ..... 3
2-3 years postgraduate work/master's degree ..... 13
Doctoral/law degree ..... 2
Not sure/refused ..... -

QF4 Thinking about your general approach to issues, do you consider yourself to be liberal, moderate, or conservative? (IF "LIBERAL" OR "CONSERVATIVE," ASK:) Do you consider yourself to be very (liberal/conservative) or somewhat (liberal/conservative)?

> Very liberal ..................................... 8
> Somewhat liberal............................ 15
> Moderate ......................................... 36
> Somewhat conservative .................. 24
> Very conservative........................... 14
> Not sure......................................... 3

QF5a What is your religion?

| Protestant (includes Baptist, Lutheran, Methodist, Episcopal, Presbyterian, and other Christians) | 43 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Catholic | 26 |
| Jewish | 2 |
| Muslim. | - |
| Mormon/LDS/Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints........ | 2 |
| Other .............................................................................. | 14 |
| None.. | 10 |
| Not sure/refused. | 3 |

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY PROTESTANT, OTHER, NONE, OR NOT SURE IN QF5a.)
QF5b Would you describe yourself as either a fundamentalist or an evangelical Christian, or would you not describe yourself that way?

| Fundamentalist/evangelical | 14 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Neither fundamentalist nor evangelical | 52 |
| Not sure | 4 |
| Catholic/Jewish/Muslim/Mormon (Q.F5a) | 30 |

QF6a/b Are you a current or retired labor union member? (ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY "NO" OR "NOT SURE" IN QF7a.) Is anyone else in your household a current or retired labor union member?
Labor union member......................... 15

Union household................................ 8
Non-union household........................ 77
Not sure

QF7 If you added together the yearly income of all the members of your family who were living at home last year, would the total be less than ten thousand dollars, between ten thousand dollars and twenty thousand dollars, between twenty thousand dollars and thirty thousand dollars, between thirty thousand dollars and forty thousand dollars, between forty thousand dollars and fifty thousand dollars, between fifty thousand dollars and seventy-five thousand dollars, between seventy-five thousand dollars and one hundred thousand dollars, or would the total be more than that?

| ,000 | 4 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Between \$10,000 and \$20,000 | 10 |
| Between \$20,000 and \$30,000 | 10 |
| Between \$30,000 and \$40,000 | 10 |
| Between \$40,000 and \$50,000 | 9 |
| Between \$50,000 and \$75,000 | 18 |
| Between \$75,000 and \$100,000 | 13 |
| More than \$100,000. | 18 |
| Not sure/refused |  |


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[^3]:    ${ }^{1}$ Prior to April 2001, the question was phrased, "Over the past year..."

