

Independent Voter Project Wave 9

Political Environment Toplines

September 12-20, 2011

n=800 Registered Voters (m.o.e +/- 3.5%) with an Oversample to reach N=600 Independents (m.o.e +/- 4.0%).

SCREENER

Hello, my name is_____, and I'm calling on behalf of AMERICAN VIEWPOINT, an independent market research firm located in Alexandria, Virginia. This is not a sales call. We are doing a survey on issues facing the country today and we would like to have your opinions.

A. Have I reached you on a cell phone?

1. Yes [go to QB]
2. No [go to QC]

B. Are you in a place right now where you can safely take a survey?

1. Yes [go to QC]
2. No [Schedule a Call Back]
3. Unwilling to take the survey [Thank and Terminate]
4. Don't Know/Refused [Schedule Call Back or Terminate]

C. Are you or is anyone in your household a reporter, a member of the news media, employed by a television station or newspaper, market research firm or active in any political campaigns this year?

1. Yes [terminate]
2. No

D. Are you registered to vote....

[For Landline:] at the address where I am speaking to you now?

[For Cell:] in [INSERT STATE OR COUNTY]?

1. Yes [go to Q1]
2. No [If Landline, Go to QE; If Cell, Thank and Terminate]

E. Is there anyone in your household who is registered to vote at this address? [IF YES ASK: May I please speak to that person?]

1. Yes [repeat introduction]
2. No [terminate]

Final

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Q1. Could you tell me your age, please? [IF NECESSARY, ASK: Could you tell me into which category your age falls; THEN READ CODES 1-7]

	TOTAL %							ALL IND %								
	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11
1 UNDER 18 [THANK & TERMINATE]	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
2 18-24	8	8	9	8	7	8	9	7	8	8	8	8	6	6	9	7
3 25-34	12	12	11	16	15	14	15	12	8	14	11	10	12	16	13	12
4 35-44	17	17	18	15	15	19	16	16	17	16	16	13	14	20	14	15
5 45-54	24	24	24	23	23	22	22	23	27	21	24	24	24	20	21	24
6 55-64	18	17	17	17	19	17	18	20	19	22	21	22	21	16	22	22
7 65+	22	21	21	20	21	19	20	19	21	20	20	21	21	21	20	18
8 REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	2	1	1	1

TRACKING QUESTIONS: POLITICAL ENVIRONMENT

Q2. Thinking about politics, would you describe yourself as [ROTATE: a Democrat, an independent; OR a Republican]? [[IF REPUBLICAN/DEMOCRAT, ASK: Would you say you are a [ROTATE: strong Republican/Democrat or a weak Republican/Democrat?]] [[IF INDEPENDENT, ASK: Would you say you [ROTATE: lean towards Democrats or lean towards Republicans?]]

	TOTAL %							ALL IND %								
	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11
1,2 DEMOCRAT	36	36	35	35	36	36	36	36	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
3 INDEPENDENT-LEAN DEM	6	8	6	7	6	6	7	7	19	24	21	21	20	26	25	25
4 INDEPENDENT	15	12	16	13	11	13	14	14	54	44	53	54	53	44	45	47
5 INDEPENDENT-LEAN REP	8	8	8	8	10	8	8	8	27	32	27	25	27	30	30	28
6,7 REPUBLICAN	32	31	31	34	32	33	32	32	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
8 DON'T KNOW [DO NOT READ]	2	3	2	3	3	3	3	3	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
9 REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
DEMOCRAT	36	36	35	35	36	36	36	36	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
INDEPENDENT	29	28	30	28	27	27	29	29	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
REPUBLICAN	32	31	31	34	32	33	32	32	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

Q3. Now thinking more generally about the direction of the country, would you say things in this country are [ROTATE: Heading in the right direction; OR Off on the wrong track]?

	TOTAL %								PURE IND %							
	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11
1 RIGHT DIRECTION	35	37	32	33	31	36	32	21	27	26	23	22	26	29	25	10
2 WRONG TRACK	55	51	60	61	61	54	60	72	58	60	67	66	66	57	61	80
3 DON'T KNOW [DO NOT READ]	9	12	8	6	7	8	8	6	13	14	9	11	8	13	12	9
4 REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	2	1	1	2	1	1

Q4. As you know, there will be a general election for president and U.S. Congress in November 2012. I know it's still a ways off, but would you say you are extremely likely to vote, very likely to vote but not extremely likely, somewhat likely to vote, or not too likely to vote? [Note: Question was "...there will be an election for U.S. Congress in November 2010..." in waves 10/09 – 10/10]

	TOTAL %								PURE IND %							
	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11
1 EXTREMELY LIKELY	66	67	69	69	69	77	81	79	65	62	63	58	64	66	71	75
2 VERY LIKELY	21	22	21	20	21	17	13	16	18	22	22	26	25	21	19	16
3 SOMEWHAT LIKELY	8	8	6	7	7	4	4	3	10	9	7	11	6	8	6	6
4 NOT TOO LIKELY	4	2	2	3	2	2	2	1	5	4	6	5	4	4	2	2
5 DON'T KNOW [DO NOT READ]	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	0.2	1	2	1	1
6 REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	0	0	*	*	*	0	1	*	0	0	0	0	1	0	*	*

Q5. Thinking about the 2012 Presidential election, do you think you will [ROTATE: Vote for President Obama, the Democratic candidate; OR Vote for the Republican candidate]? [IF OBAMA ASK: Would that be definitely President Obama or probably President Obama]? [IF REPUBLICAN, ASK: Would that be definitely the Republican or probably the Republican]?

	TOTAL %			PURE IND %		
	<u>2/11</u>	<u>5/11</u>	<u>9/11</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<u>5/11</u>	<u>9/11</u>
1 DEFINITELY OBAMA	27	29	29	8	13	8
2 PROBABLY OBAMA	12	9	11	14	9	13
3 PROBABLY REPUBLICAN	12	12	12	12	10	15
4 DEFINITELY REPUBLICAN	27	26	31	12	11	16
5 OTHER [DO NOT READ]	1	2	*	3	3	1
6 NEITHER [DO NOT READ]	2	2	2	5	9	6
7 DON'T KNOW [DO NOT READ]	18	19	16	43	44	40
8 REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	1	1	0	3	1	0
OBAMA	39	38	39	22	22	21
REPUBLICAN	39	38	42	24	21	31

Q6. And now thinking about the Presidential primaries beginning next year... Do you plan to vote in the [ROTATE: Republican primary or Democratic primary] in your state?

	TOTAL %		ALL IND%	
	<u>5/11</u>	<u>9/11</u>	<u>5/11</u>	<u>9/11</u>
1 REPUBLICAN PRIMARY [GO TO Q7]	42	42	32	35
2 DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY [GO TO Q8]	41	40	23	25
3 OTHER [DO NOT READ] [GO TO Q8]	0	*	0	*
4 WILL NOT VOTE [DO NOT READ] [GO TO Q8]	8	9	25	22
5 DON'T KNOW [DO NOT READ] [GO TO Q8]	8	8	20	18
6 REFUSED [DO NOT READ] [GO TO Q8]	1	*	1	0

Q7. [ASK IF Q6=1] If the Republican presidential primary were held today, for whom would you vote if the candidates were: [RANDOMIZE: Herman Cain, Newt Gingrich, Ron Paul, Mitt Romney, Michelle Bachman OR Rick Perry]?

	TOTAL VOTING IN GOP PRIMARY%		ALL IND VOTING IN GOP PRIMARY%	
	<u>5/11</u>	<u>9/11</u>	<u>5/11</u>	<u>9/11</u>
1 HERMAN CAIN	7	6	8	7
2 NEWT GINGRICH	12	6	10	5
3 RON PAUL	11	9	17	17
4 MITT ROMNEY	20	23	17	26
5 MICHELLE BACHMAN	--	5	--	7
6 RICK PERRY	--	29	--	22
7 OTHER [DO NOT READ; RECORD]	1	*	1	1
8 NONE [DO NOT READ]	6	1	8	2
9 DON'T KNOW [DO NOT READ]	21	20	19	13
10 REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	1	*	1	0

Q8. Now, thinking about the next election for U.S. Congress in 2012. If it were being held today, would you vote for [ROTATE: the Republican candidate; OR the Democrat candidate] in your district? [IF REPUBLICAN, ASK: Would that be definitely the Republican or probably the Republican?] [IF DEMOCRAT, ASK: Would that be definitely the Democrat or probably the Democrat?]

	TOTAL %								PURE IND %							
	<u>2/10</u>	<u>4/10</u>	<u>7/10</u>	<u>9/10</u>	<u>10/10</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<u>5/11</u>	<u>9/11</u>	<u>2/10</u>	<u>4/10</u>	<u>7/10</u>	<u>9/10</u>	<u>10/10</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<u>5/11</u>	<u>9/11</u>
1 DEFINITELY REPUBLICAN	25	26	30	33	32	28	26	28	12	15	18	21	16	16	13	17
2 PROBABLY REPUBLICAN	12	11	11	11	12	13	15	16	14	14	14	14	12	12	14	15
3 PROBABLY DEMOCRAT	12	11	10	9	9	12	12	12	11	8	11	10	11	10	14	14
4 DEFINITELY DEMOCRAT	24	25	27	27	30	27	27	29	10	7	9	11	13	9	11	12
5 OTHER [DO NOT READ]	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	4	2	2	3	3	1
6 NEITHER [DO NOT READ]	2	2	2	1	2	2	2	2	6	8	10	7	7	5	7	8
7 DON'T KNOW [DO NOT READ]	23	23	17	18	15	17	16	12	44	46	35	34	36	43	38	32
8 REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	3	2	1	1	3	2	0.3	0
REPUBLICAN	37	37	41	43	43	41	41	44	26	28	32	35	28	28	27	32
DEMOCRAT	36	36	37	36	39	39	39	41	20	15	19	21	24	19	25	27

Q9. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president? [IF APPROVE, ASK: Do you strongly approve or somewhat approve?] [IF DISAPPROVE, ASK: Do you strongly disapprove or somewhat disapprove?]

	TOTAL %								PURE IND %							
	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11
1 STRONGLY APPROVE	28	32	26	26	27	27	28	23	18	15	15	15	17	15	20	10
2 SOMEWHAT APPROVE	21	19	22	20	19	22	22	20	29	30	24	27	28	30	30	24
3 SOMEWHAT DISAPPROVE	13	11	12	11	13	15	12	13	12	13	20	14	15	20	14	19
4 STRONGLY DISAPPROVE	33	34	37	39	38	32	35	40	31	33	32	40	32	27	30	39
5 DON'T KNOW [DO NOT READ]	5	4	4	4	4	4	3	4	9	7	9	5	7	7	5	7
6 REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	0	1	1	*	*	1	1	1	1	3	1	0	1	1	2	*
APPROVE	49	51	47	46	46	49	50	43	48	45	39	41	44	45	50	34
DISAPPROVE	46	45	49	50	50	47	47	53	43	46	52	54	47	47	44	58

[ROTATE Q10-Q11]

Q10. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Republicans in the U.S. Congress are handling their job? [IF APPROVE, ASK: Do you strongly approve or somewhat approve?] [IF DISAPPROVE, ASK: Do you strongly disapprove or somewhat disapprove?]

	TOTAL %								PURE IND %							
	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11
1 STRONGLY APPROVE	7	6	8	6	6	10	6	6	4	5	2	5	3	4	3	4
2 SOMEWHAT APPROVE	26	21	27	25	25	30	26	19	18	15	23	15	19	26	20	14
3 SOMEWHAT DISAPPROVE	28	28	26	28	26	22	27	26	27	32	32	32	28	30	31	28
4 STRONGLY DISAPPROVE	33	37	31	35	36	30	36	45	39	38	31	38	39	25	39	46
5 DON'T KNOW [DO NOT READ]	6	7	6	5	6	7	5	4	12	9	10	9	9	14	6	8
6 REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	0	1	1	1	*	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	*
APPROVE	32	27	36	31	31	40	31	25	22	20	26	20	23	29	24	18
DISAPPROVE	61	65	57	63	62	52	62	70	66	70	63	71	67	55	70	73

Q11. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Democrats in the U.S. Congress are handling their job? [IF APPROVE, ASK: Do you strongly approve or somewhat approve?] [IF DISAPPROVE, ASK: Do you strongly disapprove or somewhat disapprove?]

	TOTAL %								PURE IND %							
	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11
1 STRONGLY APPROVE	9	13	10	11	12	12	10	10	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	5
2 SOMEWHAT APPROVE	26	26	25	21	24	27	27	23	18	21	20	18	23	22	23	15
3 SOMEWHAT DISAPPROVE	19	17	18	18	19	18	20	21	23	23	25	22	24	29	25	26
4 STRONGLY DISAPPROVE	41	38	40	44	40	36	37	42	44	46	41	48	41	34	41	46
5 DON'T KNOW [DO NOT READ]	5	5	5	6	5	5	4	4	8	6	9	7	8	10	7	7
6 REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	0	1	1	*	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	*
APPROVE	34	39	35	32	36	39	37	33	23	25	25	22	26	26	26	20
DISAPPROVE	60	56	58	62	59	54	57	63	68	68	66	70	65	63	66	72

Q12. What would you say is the single most important problem facing the nation [OPEN-ENDED; PLEASE CODE RESPONSES WHERE POSSIBLE]?

	TOTAL %								PURE IND %							
	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11
1 THE ECONOMY	30	28	36	39	36	32	36	31	32	30	35	37	33	34	35	31
2 JOBS	29	23	20	24	25	26	15	35	25	23	21	26	23	23	15	33
3 HEALTH CARE	12	14	4	7	6	8	4	2	10	10	4	3	3	6	5	1
4 EDUCATION	1	3	1	1	2	2	2	1	0	2	1	1	3	3	2	2
5 THE ENVIRONMENT	*	*	1	*	0	0	*	*	0	1	1	1	*	0	0	*
6 GOVERNMENT SPENDING/DEBT	10	9	11	8	8	11	16	9	11	10	11	11	9	9	17	12
7 TAXES	1	1	*	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	*
8 ABORTION	1	*	1	1	*	1	1	*	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
9 GOVERNMENT ETHICS/CORRUPTION	2	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	4	3	3	2	1	3	1
10 ENERGY PRICES	*	1	*	*	*	0	3	*	0	1	1	1	0	0	4	0
11 IMMIGRATION	1	*	2	2	1	1	2	1	1	1	2	2	1	2	1	1
12 NATIONAL SECURITY	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	*	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	0
13 WAR IN IRAQ	2	2	2	1	1	1	*	*	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	0
14 WAR IN AFGHANISTAN	1	1	1	1	2	1	*	*	1	1	1	1	1	2	*	1
15 BOTH WARS						0	1	1						0	1	2
16 MORAL ISSUES/GODLESSNESS						3	2	2						2	1	0
17 PARTISAN FIGHTING						2	1	2						1	3	1
18 GOVT LEADERSHIP						1	1	1						1	1	1
19 BIG CORPORATIONS/BAILOUTS						0	1	*						0	*	1
20 DISCRIMINATION/RACISM						1	0	*						0	0	*
21 SOCIALISM						0	*	*						0	*	0
22 POVERTY						1	*	*						1	0	*
23 WELFARE/ENTITLEMENTS						0	1	1						0	*	0
24 GOVT GROWTH						0	*	*						1	1	*
25 DEPARTURE FROM CONSTITUTION						0	*	0						0	0	0
26 CRIME/DRUGS						0	*	*						0	*	*
27 GREED						0	*	*						0	1	*
28 PRESIDENT OBAMA						0	*	1						0	1	*
29 REPUBLICANS IN CONGRESS						1	*	1						0	0	0
30 DEMOCRATS IN CONGRESS						0	*	*						0	0	*
31 SOCIAL SECURITY						0	*	*						0	0	0
32 OTHER [DO NOT READ; SPECIFY]	2	1	4	13	13	3	5	6	3	2	4	12	18	8	5	6
33 DON'T KNOW [DO NOT READ]	2	3	3	1	3	2	4	1	2	1	2	1	3	3	2	2
34 REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	0	*	0	*	*	0	*	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	*	0

Q13. In general, do you prefer [ROTATE: Bigger government with more services; OR Smaller government with fewer services]?

	TOTAL %				PURE IND %			
	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11
1 BIGGER GOVERNMENT	30	29	32	30	21	19	24	17
2 SMALLER GOVERNMENT	61	60	57	60	65	67	64	73
3 DEPENDS [DO NOT READ]	2	3	2	2	6	5	3	4
4 DON'T KNOW [DO NOT READ]	7	7	7	6	8	9	8	6
5 REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	1	1	1	1	1	0	2	1

Q14. Now I'm going to read two statements about the role of government, and I'd like to know which one comes closer to your point of view:
 [ROTATE: Government should do more to solve problems and help meet the needs of people; OR Government is doing too many things better left to businesses and individuals]?

	TOTAL %								PURE IND %							
	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11
1 GOVT SHOULD DO MORE	49	46	47	44	46	47	47	44	43	39	38	40	43	38	45	34
2 GOVT DOING TOO MANY THINGS	47	50	48	50	51	50	49	52	50	53	54	51	47	55	49	59
3 BOTH [DO NOT READ]	1	2	2	2	1	1	1	*	1	3	2	3	3	1	0.3	2
4 NEITHER [DO NOT READ]	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	2	3	3	3	3	4	3	1
5 DON'T KNOW [DO NOT READ]	1	2	2	1	1	1	2	2	4	2	2	3	3	2	3	3
6 REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	0	1	0.4	0.4	0.1	0	0.4	0	1	1	1	0.2	1	1	0.3	0

Q15. As part of the recently passed federal debt agreement, a bi-partisan Congressional committee must propose in the next few months a plan to reduce the deficit by one point five trillion dollars over the next ten years. What would be your number one recommendation to the committee on how to reduce the federal deficit? [OPEN END] [Probe for more specifics than cut spending / raise taxes] [Probe: What more can you tell me about that?]

Total	Pure IND		Total	Pure IND	
16%	20%	Cut government spending	1%	1%	Remove regulation on businesses
5%	6%	Eliminate wasteful spending	1%	*	Help small businesses
3%	3%	Cut pork barrel spending	1%	1%	Cut taxes
10%	8%	Reduce entitlement programs	2%	2%	No more bail outs/Stimulus/Borrowing money
4%	5%	Cut entitlement programs	2%	2%	Work together/Compromise
2%	1%	Cut/Reduce welfare programs	1%	1%	Get rid of Medicare/Medicaid fraud
9%	9%	Cut foreign aid	1%	*	Use our own natural resources
6%	6%	Cut military spending/Reduce military size	1%	1%	Stop benefits for illegal aliens
8%	9%	Stop the war/Bring home troops	1%	1%	Close borders/Stop illegal immigration
2%	2%	Repeal new healthcare bill	5%	5%	Other
6%	6%	Cut pay and benefits for politicians	13%	8%	Don't know
2%	3%	Reduce size of government	*	1%	Refused
2%	2%	Cut unnecessary government departments/Jobs			
1%	1%	Get rid of everyone in government/New people			
1%	1%	Get rid of the Department of Education			
*	*	Cut government agencies			
3%	3%	Raise taxes			
10%	10%	Raise taxes on the rich			
6%	4%	Tax reform/Eliminate tax breaks/Loopholes			
1%	1%	Increase taxes on large corporations			
1%	1%	Flat tax			
1%	2%	Overseas tax/Limit imports			
8%	7%	Create jobs			

Q16. When it comes to the deficit, which of the following views comes closest to your own view: [ROTATE] America has a revenue problem and we need to raise taxes to avoid cuts in services like education, health care, law enforcement and transportation ...OR...America has a spending problem with too much waste and inefficiency, and we need to reduce government spending to reduce the deficit? [PROBE: Strongly/Somewhat]

TOTAL	Pure IND		
15%	7%	Strongly Raise Taxes	
5%	6%	Somewhat Raise Taxes	
9%	10%	Somewhat Reduce Spending	
60%	64%	Strongly Reduce Spending	
7%	12%	Both	[DO NOT READ]
2%	1%	Don't know	[DO NOT READ]
1%	*	Refused	[DO NOT READ]
20%	13%	RAISE TAXES	
70%	73%	REDUCE SPENDING	

DEMOGRAPHICS

Q33. You may have heard discussion of the Tea Party movement. Based on what you've seen, read, or heard, do you support or oppose the Tea Party movement? If you are not familiar with the Tea Party movement, just say so. [IF SUPPORT/OPPOSE, ASK: Do you strongly support/oppose or somewhat support/oppose?]

	TOTAL %								PURE IND %							
	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11
1 STRONGLY SUPPORT	18	20	20	18	22	17	16	15	15	20	21	18	18	15	17	15
2 SOMEWHAT SUPPORT	11	11	14	18	18	17	18	16	13	17	15	17	16	18	16	17
3 SOMEWHAT OPPOSE	6	8	9	8	7	11	9	7	8	9	10	11	11	10	9	8
4 STRONGLY OPPOSE	16	22	21	25	22	25	26	30	16	16	14	21	19	16	22	21
5 NOT FAMILIAR	44	33	25	21	22	23	24	26	40	27	23	22	21	28	27	27
6 FAMILIAR BUT NO OPINION [DNR]	5	6	10	10	9	7	6	5	8	10	15	11	14	12	9	9
7 REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	2	1	1	2	1	4
SUPPORT	29	31	35	36	40	34	34	30	29	37	36	35	34	33	32	31
OPPOSE	22	30	30	33	29	36	35	37	23	25	24	32	30	25	31	30

Now just a few more questions for statistical purposes...

Q34. [ASK IF Q2=3, 4, OR 5] Was there any time when you considered yourself [ROTATE: a Democrat or a Republican]?

		ALL IND %							
		2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11
1	NO, NEITHER	34	32	36	35	37	39	39	33
2	YES, DEMOCRAT	31	32	29	32	29	28	29	33
3	YES, REPUBLICAN	31	32	30	30	30	29	29	29
4	DON'T KNOW [DO NOT READ]	4	3	4	2	3	4	3	4
5	REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

Q35. Thinking about politics, do you consider yourself to be [ROTATE: conservative, moderate, or liberal]? [IF CONSERVATIVE ASK: Would that be very conservative or somewhat conservative?] [IF LIBERAL ASK: Would that be very liberal or somewhat liberal?]

		TOTAL %								ALL IND %							
		2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11
1	VERY CONSERVATIVE	21	19	24	26	24	21	19	21	16	17	18	18	17	12	12	14
2	SOMEWHAT CONSERVATIVE	22	20	16	18	19	20	20	21	23	20	22	21	21	21	21	20
3	MODERATE	38	39	38	34	36	39	41	37	46	47	45	44	44	50	50	50
4	SOMEWHAT LIBERAL	11	11	11	13	9	10	9	10	9	10	9	9	9	10	8	
5	VERY LIBERAL	6	8	8	7	8	7	9	8	3	3	4	5	6	4	5	
6	DON'T KNOW [DO NOT READ]	2	3	3	3	3	3	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	
7	REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	0	1	0.4	0.4	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	*	
CONSERVATIVE		43	39	40	44	43	41	39	42	39	37	40	39	38	33	34	
MODERATE		38	39	38	34	36	39	41	37	46	47	45	44	44	50	50	
LIBERAL		17	19	19	20	17	17	18	18	12	13	13	14	15	13	15	

[ROTATE Q36 AND Q37]

Q36. Thinking specifically about fiscal issues related to how the government taxes and spends, do you think of yourself as [ROTATE, FRONT TO BACK: fiscally conservative, fiscally moderate, or fiscally liberal]?

		TOTAL %				ALL IND %			
		10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11
1	FISCALLY CONSERVATIVE	53	50	44	49	49	49	46	49
2	FISCALLY MODERATE	34	39	42	39	38	41	44	41
3	FISCALLY LIBERAL	9	8	10	9	6	7	7	8
4	DON'T KNOW [DO NOT READ]	4	3	3	1	6	3	3	1
5	REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	0	0	1	1	1	1	*	1

Q37. Thinking specifically about social issues, do you think of yourself as [ROTATE, FRONT TO BACK: socially conservative, socially moderate, or socially liberal]?

	TOTAL %				ALL IND %			
	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11
1 SOCIALLY CONSERVATIVE	37	33	36	38	27	27	30	32
2 SOCIALLY MODERATE	37	40	37	36	46	46	44	41
3 SOCIALLY LIBERAL	22	23	24	24	21	22	23	24
4 DON'T KNOW [DO NOT READ]	3	3	2	2	5	4	3	2
5 REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

Q38. Thinking back to the last presidential election in November 2008, did you vote for [ROTATE: the Republican candidate for president, John McCain, the Democratic candidate for President, Barack Obama,] or were you unable to vote for some reason?

	TOTAL %								ALL IND %							
	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11
1 REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE	44	41	41	44	44	39	41	42	42	44	39	38	39	36	36	40
2 DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE	46	49	47	47	47	46	46	46	42	42	41	45	43	41	41	42
3 DID NOT VOTE [SKIP TO Q31]	6	6	7	6	5	9	7	7	9	7	10	10	9	12	13	10
4 DON'T KNOW [DO NOT READ]	1	2	2	1	2	3	2	2	2	4	4	3	5	5	4	4
5 REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	3	3	3	2	2	4	4	2	5	4	6	5	4	7	6	4

Q39. And now thinking to the November 2010 election, did you vote for [ROTATE: the Republican candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives, the Democratic candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives,] or did you not cast a vote for a House candidate?

	TOTAL %								ALL IND %							
	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11
1 REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE	40	39	39	43	40	40	41	40	37	41	37	36	35	37	35	41
2 DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE	41	42	42	42	41	34	34	36	35	32	34	34	36	25	27	24
3 DID NOT VOTE [SKIP TO Q31]	8	8	8	6	7	17	16	16	12	11	13	12	10	27	22	22
4 DON'T KNOW [DO NOT READ]	9	9	9	8	10	6	8	7	14	13	14	15	17	9	14	11
5 REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	2	1	2	1	2	2	2	1	3	2	22	3	2	3	2	1

Q40. What is the last year of education you completed?

	TOTAL %								ALL IND %							
	<u>2/10</u>	<u>4/10</u>	<u>7/10</u>	<u>9/10</u>	<u>10/10</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<u>5/11</u>	<u>9/11</u>	<u>2/10</u>	<u>4/10</u>	<u>7/10</u>	<u>9/10</u>	<u>10/10</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<u>5/11</u>	<u>9/11</u>
1 LESS THAN HIGH SCHOOL	4	4	3	3	3	3	5	3	4	4	3	2	4	3	3	2
2 HIGH SCHOOL GRAD	23	24	23	20	21	20	19	21	21	20	18	22	19	19	20	19
3 SOME COLLEGE	25	26	27	26	29	27	24	26	27	26	27	24	28	27	28	25
4 COLLEGE GRAD	30	27	32	33	30	32	33	31	27	31	35	33	28	29	30	33
5 POST-COLLEGE	18	19	15	19	17	19	19	18	21	18	18	18	20	22	19	22
6 REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	0	*	*	*	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	*	0	*	0

Q41. Which of the following best describes your marital status? [READ CODES 1-5]

	TOTAL %								ALL IND %							
	<u>2/10</u>	<u>4/10</u>	<u>7/10</u>	<u>9/10</u>	<u>10/10</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<u>5/11</u>	<u>9/11</u>	<u>2/10</u>	<u>4/10</u>	<u>7/10</u>	<u>9/10</u>	<u>10/10</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<u>5/11</u>	<u>9/11</u>
1 MARRIED	70	71	71	73	73	71	69	68	71	72	74	74	73	68	67	72
2 DIVORCED	7	8	6	5	7	7	8	9	9	7	6	6	8	8	7	8
3 SEPARATED	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	*	1
4 WIDOWED	7	5	7	6	6	5	5	6	5	5	5	5	5	6	7	3
5 NEVER MARRIED	14	15	15	16	12	16	18	15	13	16	15	14	12	17	19	14
6 REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	0	0	*	0	1	0	*	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	*	1

Q42. Do you have children under age 18 living at home with you?

	TOTAL %								ALL IND %							
	<u>2/10</u>	<u>4/10</u>	<u>7/10</u>	<u>9/10</u>	<u>10/10</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<u>5/11</u>	<u>9/11</u>	<u>2/10</u>	<u>4/10</u>	<u>7/10</u>	<u>9/10</u>	<u>10/10</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<u>5/11</u>	<u>9/11</u>
1 YES	35	33	31	35	33	37	34	32	30	34	32	29	31	37	30	30
2 NO	65	67	69	65	66	63	66	67	70	66	67	70	69	63	70	70
3 REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	0	*	*	0	1	0	*	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	*	*

Q43. Into which category does your annual household income fall before taxes? Just stop me when I get to the right category. [READ CODES 1 – 7]

	TOTAL %							ALL IND %								
	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11
1 LESS THAN \$20,000	9	10	9	8	10	10	8	9	7	7	8	8	9	9	5	7
2 \$20,000 to \$29,999	7	7	8	8	8	7	8	9	8	7	7	8	7	7	9	5
3 \$30,000 to \$49,999	18	17	14	13	15	15	13	15	16	15	15	15	15	16	17	16
4 \$50,000 to \$74,999	22	19	20	19	22	18	20	18	22	20	19	19	21	19	21	19
5 \$75,000 to \$99,999	15	13	16	17	14	18	15	16	13	16	16	16	14	15	14	17
6 \$100,000 to \$199,999	16	19	20	19	17	17	20	19	20	20	19	17	18	17	17	22
7 \$200,000+	5	5	4	5	4	5	4	5	3	5	3	6	4	4	5	6
8 REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	8	10	10	11	11	11	12	9	10	11	14	13	13	14	12	8

Q44. Again, just for statistical purposes, are you from an Hispanic or Spanish-speaking background? [IF NO, ASK: What is your race, white, African American, Asian, or something else?]

	TOTAL %							ALL IND %								
	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11
1 WHITE	75	76	74	75	75	75	76	76	79	81	76	78	82	85	83	83
2 AFRICAN AMERICAN	11	12	10	12	13	12	10	12	6	7	7	6	6	4	3	2
3 HISPANIC	9	8	10	8	8	7	8	8	9	8	8	9	6	5	7	8
4 ASIAN	1	1	1	2	1	2	2	1	1	1	2	2	1	2	2	2
5 OTHER [DO NOT READ]	3	3	4	2	2	3	3	1	5	2	6	4	4	3	4	1
6 REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	3

Q45. And would you consider the area in which you live to be [ROTATE FRONT TO BACK, BACK TO FRONT: Urban, suburban, or rural]?

	TOTAL %				ALL IND %			
	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11
1 URBAN	21	22	22	21	16	18	20	17
2 SUBURBAN	45	45	47	42	49	46	45	46
3 RURAL	32	30	29	34	33	34	34	36
4 OTHER [DO NOT READ]	*	1	*	*	*	1	0	*
5 DON'T KNOW [DO NOT READ]	2	2	3	2	1	1	1	1
6 REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	*	0	0	*	*	0	0	0

Now I'm going to read a list of products. Please tell me which you use, either occasionally or frequently.

[RANDOMIZE Q46-Q48]

Q46. Soda or soft drinks.

	TOTAL %								ALL IND %							
	<u>2/10</u>	<u>4/10</u>	<u>7/10</u>	<u>9/10</u>	<u>10/10</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<u>5/11</u>	<u>9/11</u>	<u>2/10</u>	<u>4/10</u>	<u>7/10</u>	<u>9/10</u>	<u>10/10</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<u>5/11</u>	<u>9/11</u>
1 USE	70	73	72	74	70	70	72	78	69	70	69	70	66	68	68	76
2 DO NOT USE	29	26	28	27	30	30	27	21	30	29	30	30	34	31	31	24
3 REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	1	1	*	*	*	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	*

Q47. Beer, wine, or other alcohol.

	TOTAL %								ALL IND %							
	<u>2/10</u>	<u>4/10</u>	<u>7/10</u>	<u>9/10</u>	<u>10/10</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<u>5/11</u>	<u>9/11</u>	<u>2/10</u>	<u>4/10</u>	<u>7/10</u>	<u>9/10</u>	<u>10/10</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<u>5/11</u>	<u>9/11</u>
1 USE	55	55	53	54	53	55	58	59	59	56	58	56	57	60	59	66
2 DO NOT USE	44	44	47	46	46	44	41	40	40	43	41	43	42	40	40	33
3 REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	1	1	*	*	*	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1

Q48. Over-the-counter or prescription medications.

	TOTAL %								ALL IND %							
	<u>2/10</u>	<u>4/10</u>	<u>7/10</u>	<u>9/10</u>	<u>10/10</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<u>5/11</u>	<u>9/11</u>	<u>2/10</u>	<u>4/10</u>	<u>7/10</u>	<u>9/10</u>	<u>10/10</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<u>5/11</u>	<u>9/11</u>
1 USE	81	83	81	84	82	80	84	86	79	81	76	82	79	80	82	85
2 DO NOT USE	18	16	19	16	18	19	16	13	19	17	23	18	20	19	18	15
3 REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	1	1	0	*	*	1	0.4	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	*

Q49. Tobacco.

	TOTAL %								ALL IND %							
	<u>2/10</u>	<u>4/10</u>	<u>7/10</u>	<u>9/10</u>	<u>10/10</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<u>5/11</u>	<u>9/11</u>	<u>2/10</u>	<u>4/10</u>	<u>7/10</u>	<u>9/10</u>	<u>10/10</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<u>5/11</u>	<u>9/11</u>
1 USE [PROCEED TO Q50]	15	15	17	14	16	14	19	18	16	15	16	14	19	17	19	18
2 DO NOT USE [SKIP TO Q51]	84	84	83	86	84	85	81	82	84	84	83	86	80	83	80	81
3 REFUSED [DO NOT READ, SKIP TO Q51]	1	1	*	*	*	1	*	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

Q50. [ASK IF Q49=1] And, which tobacco products do you use, either occasionally or frequently: Cigarettes, smokeless tobacco such as chewing tobacco or dip, cigars, or some other form of tobacco? [ALLOW MULTIPLE RESPONSES]

	TOTAL %								ALL IND %							
	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11
1 CIGARETTES	77	76	77	72	78	74	76	73	78	81	71	74	73	82	79	73
2 SMOKELESS TOBACCO	11	16	15	20	13	11	13	18	12	15	15	14	13	14	13	12
3 CIGARS	14	12	7	9	9	12	15	14	16	9	18	14	11	6	14	22
4 OTHER	10	4	5	7	5	6	2	5	4	3	4	6	9	5	3	5
5 REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0

Q51. [RECORD GENDER BY OBSERVATION, ASK OF EVERYONE: Are you employed outside the house, are you a homemaker, or are you retired]?

	TOTAL %								ALL IND %							
	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11
1 MALE/EMPLOYED	--	--	--	--	--	32	31	31	--	--	--	--	--	37	37	42
2 MALE/HOMEMAKER	--	--	--	--	--	1	1	2	--	--	--	--	--	1	1	2
3 MALE/RETIRED	--	--	--	--	--	10	10	11	--	--	--	--	--	13	14	12
4 MALE/NOT IN LABOR FORCE	--	--	--	--	--	4	4	2	--	--	--	--	--	4	4	2
5 FEMALE/EMPLOYED	--	--	--	--	--	31	30	30	--	--	--	--	--	26	26	26
6 FEMALE/HOMEMAKER	--	--	--	--	--	8	8	7	--	--	--	--	--	6	6	5
7 FEMALE/RETIRED	--	--	--	--	--	11	12	14	--	--	--	--	--	10	10	9
8 FEMALE/NOT IN LABOR FORCE	--	--	--	--	--	2	3	2	--	--	--	--	--	3	2	1
9 MALE/REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	--	--	--	--	--	1	*	*	--	--	--	--	--	1	*	0
10 FEMALE/REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	--	--	--	--	--	1	*	1	--	--	--	--	--	0	*	*
MALE	48	47	47	47	47	47	47	46	56	60	59	58	59	56	56	58
FEMALE	52	53	53	53	53	53	53	54	44	40	41	42	42	44	44	42

Q52. [IF Q51=1,5 ASK: And do you consider your job to be in the public sector or the private sector]?

	TOTAL %								ALL IND %							
	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11	2/10	4/10	7/10	9/10	10/10	2/11	5/11	9/11
1 PUBLIC	--	--	--	--	--	55	51	49	--	--	--	--	--	48	49	46
2 PRIVATE	--	--	--	--	--	43	47	49	--	--	--	--	--	50	48	52
3 DON'T KNOW [DO NOT READ]	--	--	--	--	--	2	2	2	--	--	--	--	--	1	2	2
4 REFUSED [DO NOT READ]	--	--	--	--	--	0	*	*	--	--	--	--	--	0	1	0

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REGION. Census Region [RECORD FROM SAMPLE]

	TOTAL %				ALL IND %			
	<u>10/10</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<u>5/11</u>	<u>9/11</u>	<u>10/10</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<u>5/11</u>	<u>9/11</u>
1 NEW ENGLAND	5	5	5	5	8	11	9	8
2 MID ATLANTIC	14	14	14	14	12	14	13	11
3 EAST NORTH CENTRAL	17	17	17	17	19	18	20	20
4 WEST NORTH CENTRAL	8	8	8	8	10	11	7	9
5 SOUTH ATLANTIC	18	18	18	18	16	16	19	15
6 EAST SOUTH CENTRAL	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	5
7 WEST SOUTH CENTRAL	11	11	11	11	10	7	6	13
8 MOUNTAIN	7	7	7	7	7	8	8	6
9 PACIFIC	14	14	14	14	13	10	12	11