# 2012 NORC PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION STUDY

# NORC Data User's Guide and Public Use File Codebook

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# 2012 NORC Presidential Election Study: Introduction

The 2012 NORC Presidential Election Study was designed to measure public opinion about important issues the country faces – economic recovery, health care costs, and extreme partisanship. Conducted in the fourth year of a slow and unsteady economic recovery, this survey intends to determine, among other things, whether or not voters hold the incumbent responsible for the condition of the economy; if it matters that the recession began during a previous administration; and does the electorate account for whether the opposition cooperated with the president or confronted him?

The survey consists of two waves of data collection. The first wave went into the field before the November 2012 presidential election and was conducted between September 24 and October 18. The second wave, conducted between November 7 and November 24, examines post-election attitudes and perceptions. The general objective of the survey is to provide information that will help inform our national discussion around how to bridge the partisan divide and solve our most pressing problems.

The survey was conducted by NORC at the University of Chicago in partnership with the following experts: Mark Hansen, Ph.D., University of Chicago; Andrea Campbell, Ph.D., Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Stephen Ansolabehere, Ph.D., Harvard University; and Benjamin Page, Ph.D., Northwestern University.  Kirk Wolter and Tricia McCarthy, both of NORC at the University of Chicago, served as Principal Investigator and Project Director, respectively. Rene Bautista served as Principal Contributor. Kate Baldwin assisted with data analysis.

## Initial Findings

Initial analysis and interpretation of the survey data were provided in three reports entitled

- 2012 NORC Presidential Election Study,
- Americans' Views on the Deficit, and
- Americans' Views on Entitlement Reform and Health Care.

All reports and corresponding press releases are available at:
http://www.norc.org/Research/Projects/Pages/2012-norc-presidential-election-study.aspx

## Sample Design

The 2012 NORC Presidential Election Study was based on a dual-frame random digit dialing (RDD) sampling design including landline and cell-phone samples. The landline RDD sample consisted of 32,876 telephone numbers and the cell-phone RDD sample consisted of 36,856 numbers.

Prior to sampling, the US was divided into three sampling strata: Florida, Ohio, and Rest of the country. Samples were selected independently within these strata. The strata were defined to support analysis of battleground states.

For the RDD landline sample, the 2012 NORC Presidential Election Study used a list-assisted method of sampling. This method selects a random sample of telephone numbers from banks of 100 consecutive telephone numbers (e.g., 773-256-0000 to 773-256-0099) that contain at least one directory-listed residential telephone number. For the landline RDD sample, one adult was picked at random from among the adult residents of the household to complete the survey.

For the cell-phone RDD sample, the respondent was interviewed if he or she was an adult age 18 or greater. Child respondents less than age 18 were screened out.

Wave I of the 2012 NORC Presidential Election Survey was based on a nationally representative survey of 2,136 adult respondents. Wave II attempted to re-contact all Wave I respondents and 1,125 of them did respond. The numbers of completed interviews are:

| Wave | Landline RDD Sample | Cell-Phone RDD Sample | Total Sample |
|------|---------------------|------------------------|--------------|
| I    | 995                 | 1,141                  | 2,136        |
| II   | 561                 | 564                    | 1,125        |

| Wave | Florida | Ohio | Rest of US |
|------|---------|------|------------|
| I    | 289     | 290  | 1,557      |
| II   | 168     | 153  | 805        |

## Questionnaires

The questionnaires for Wave I and II appear in Appendices A and B, respectively.

## Sampling Weights

A sampling weight may be interpreted as the number of adults in the target population that a given adult in the sample represents.  The sum of the weights is an estimate of the total number of adults in the target population.

For the 2012 NORC Presidential Election Study, sampling weights for the Wave I sample were determined by the following 8-step process;

1. Base sampling weight
2. Adjustment for nonresolution of released telephone numbers
3. Adjustment for nonresponse to screener
4. Adjustment for subsampling of adult (only needed for the landline sample)
5. Adjustment for interview nonresponse
6. Adjustment for multiple telephone lines
7. Dual-frame estimator
8. Calibration to population control totals.

For Wave II, sampling weights were determined by a 2-step process:

1. Final weight from Wave I
2. Adjustment for Wave II nonresponse.

For Wave II, in addition to original Wave II weights, recalibrated weights are also included in the Public Use File. Our sample seems to be more Democratic in their partisanship relative to other surveys conducted in the same period. Pew Research Center polls gauged partisan identification in five samples of adults between September and November of 2012. These results were used to recalibrate Wave II weights. Reweighting the NORC sample to the Pew proportions, however, doesn't seem to alter many of the survey results. The reader may consult comparisons of various statistics using original and recalibrated weights at
http://www.norc.org/PDFs/NORC_Inauguration%20Report-FINAL.pdf

Users must use sampling weights to calculate unbiased estimators of population parameters of interest.  The final weights are

Wave I: WAVE1_WT

Wave II: WAVE2_WT

Wave II recalibrated: WAVE2_WT_R

## Analysis

Data from the Public Use File (PUF) can be used for a variety of analyses concerning the 2012 presidential election, using the weights described in the foregoing section. The Taylor-series method can be used to estimate the variances of the survey statistics and, in turn, to construct confidence intervals and perform statistical tests.

The estimation of variances can be implemented in specialized software such as R (Lumley, 2010), SAS (SAS Institute Inc., 2003), Stata (Stata Corp., 2009), and SUDAAN (Research Triangle Institute, 2008). To estimate the variance using any of these packages, the user must specify the stratum variable, the cluster variable, and the weight variable. For the 2012 NORC Presidential Election Study, these specifications are as follows:

- Stratum variable: VSTRATUM
- Cluster variable: Case ID
- Weight variable: Wave1_WT or Wave2_WT

As an aid to users, Appendix C contains R, SAS and Stata programs to read the PUF and estimate weighted percentages and design-corrected standard errors for several questionnaire variables.

## Citations

In publications, please acknowledge the original source.  The citation for this PUF is:

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## Index of Variables

| # | Variable | Type | Len | Label |
|---|----------|------|-----|-------|
| 1 | CASE_ID | Num | 8 | Case ID |
| 2 | CAN_PREF_I | Num | 8 | In the upcoming election, which candidate do you prefer in the race for President of the United States? |
| 3 | INTEND_VOTE_I | Num | 3 | Do you intend to vote in the presidential election this fall? |
| 4 | RATE_FEEL_BO_I | Num | 3 | (Could you tell me whether your view is very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative?) Barack Obama |
| 5 | RATE_FEEL_MR_I | Num | 3 | (Could you tell me whether your view is very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative?) Mitt Romney |
| 6 | RATE_FEEL_JB_I | Num | 3 | (Could you tell me whether your view is very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative?) Joe Biden |
| 7 | RATE_FEEL_PR_I | Num | 3 | (Could you tell me whether your view is very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative?) Paul Ryan |
| 8 | RATE_FEEL_DC_I | Num | 3 | (Could you tell me whether your view is very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative?) The Democrats in Congress |

| 9 | RATE_FEEL_RC_I | Num | 3 | (Could you tell me whether your view is very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative?) The Republicans in Congress |
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| 10 | RATE_FEEL_SC_I | Num | 3 | (Could you tell me whether your view is very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative?) The Supreme Court |
| 11 | RATE_FEEL_TP_I | Num | 3 | (Could you tell me whether your view is very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative?) The Tea Party Movement |
| 12 | RATE_IDEOL_BO_I | Num | 3 | How would you rate……? Barack Obama |
| 13 | RATE_IDEOL_MR_I | Num | 3 | How would you rate……? Mitt Romney |
| 14 | RATE_IDEOL_PR_I | Num | 3 | How would you rate……? Paul Ryan |
| 15 | RATE_IDEOL_YOURSELF_I | Num | 3 | How would you rate……? Yourself |
| 16 | FIN_FAM_I | Num | 3 | Would you say that (you / you and your family living here) are BETTER off or WORSE off financially than you were a year ago, or about the same? |
| 17 | US_ECON_I | Num | 3 | Would you describe the state of the nation's economy these days as excellent, good, not so good, or poor? |
| 18 | CRED_BLAME_1_I | Num | 3 | Does President Obama deserve a great deal of credit/blame, some credit/blame, not much credit/blame, or no credit/blame at all for the economic conditions currently facing the country? |
| 19 | CRED_BLAME_2_I | Num | 3 | I want you to tell me how much credit/blame (from US_ECON) you think each of them deserves for current economic conditions. How about President George W. Bush? |

| 20 | CRED_BLAME_3_I | Num | 3 | I want you to tell me how much credit/blame (from US_ECON) you think each of them deserves for current economic conditions. The Democrats in Congress? |
|----|----------------|-----|---|------------------------------------------------|
| 21 | CRED_BLAME_4_I | Num | 3 | I want you to tell me how much credit/blame (from US_ECON) you think each of them deserves for current economic conditions. The Republicans in Congress? |
| 22 | CRED_BLAME_5_I | Num | 3 | I want you to tell me how much credit/blame (from US_ECON) you think each of them deserves for current economic conditions. The Federal Reserve Board? |
| 23 | CRED_BLAME_6_I | Num | 3 | I want you to tell me how much credit/blame (from US_ECON) you think each of them deserves for current economic conditions. Banks and other financial institutions? |
| 24 | CRED_BLAME_OBAMA_I | Num | 8 | How much credit/blame does President Obama deserve? |
| 25 | CRED_BLAME_BUSH_I | Num | 8 | How much credit/blame does President George W. Bush deserve? |
| 26 | CRED_BLAME_DEM_CONGR_I | Num | 8 | How much credit/blame do the Democrats in Congress deserve? |
| 27 | CRED_BLAME_REP_CONGR_I | Num | 8 | How much credit/blame do the Republicans in Congress deserve? |
| 28 | CRED_BLAME_FED_I | Num | 8 | How much credit/blame does the Federal Reserve Board deserve? |
| 29 | CRED_BLAME_OTH_FIN_I | Num | 8 | How much credit/blame do banks and other financial institutions deserve? |
| 30 | MOST_CRED_BLAME_I | Num | 3 | Considering all of the above, who or which deserves the greatest credit/blame (from US_ECON) for the economic conditions currently facing the United States? |

| 31 | MOST_CRED_BLAME_ECO_I | Num | 8 | Considering all of the above, who or which deserves the greatest credit/blame (from US_ECON) for the economic conditions currently facing the United States? |
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| 32 | ECON_PAST_I | Num | 3 | Thinking about the economy in the country as a whole, would you say that over the PAST YEAR the nation's economy has gotten BETTER, stayed ABOUT THE SAME, or gotten WORSE? |
| 33 | ECON_OBAMA_I | Num | 3 | If Barack Obama wins the election, do you expect the economy in the country as a whole to get BETTER, stay ABOUT THE SAME, or get WORSE? |
| 34 | ECON_ROMNEY_I | Num | 3 | If Mitt Romney wins the election, do you expect the economy in the country as a whole to get BETTER, stay ABOUT THE SAME, or get WORSE? |
| 35 | FAM_OBAMA_I | Num | 3 | If Barack Obama wins the election, do you expect your OWN FAMILY'S financial situation to get BETTER, stay ABOUT THE SAME, or get WORSE? |
| 36 | FAM_ROMNEY_I | Num | 3 | If Mitt Romney wins the election, do you expect your OWN FAMILY'S financial situation to get BETTER, stay ABOUT THE SAME, or get WORSE? |
| 37 | PARTY_REP_I | Num | 3 | Do you happen to know which party has the most members in the United States House of Representatives in Washington right now, before the coming election? |
| 38 | PARTY_SEN_I | Num | 3 | Do you happen to know which party has the most members in the United States Senate right now, before the coming election? |
| 39 | KNOW_CONG_I | Num | 8 | Knowledge of HofR and Senate composition |

| 40 | PRES_TARP_I | Num | 3 | Which president proposed and signed the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act, including TARP, President George W. Bush or President Obama? |
|----|-------------|-----|---|------|
| 41 | PRES_STIM_I | Num | 3 | Which president proposed and signed the American Reconstruction and Recovery Act, President George W. Bush or President Obama? |
| 42 | KNOW_POLICY_I | Num | 8 | Proposed and signed TARP & The stimulus |
| 43 | PRES_MEDICARE_I | Num | 3 | Which president proposed and signed the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act, President Bush or President Obama? |
| 44 | PRES_ACA_I | Num | 3 | Which president proposed and signed the Affordable Care Act, President Bush or President Obama? |
| 45 | KNOW_HEALTH_I | Num | 8 | Knowledge of Medic presc drug benefit bill/ health care reform bill |
| 46 | EFFORT_OBAMA_I | Num | 3 | Looking back on the last few years, do you think President Obama has made a big effort to fix the economy, some effort to fix the economy, or very little effort to fix the economy? |
| 47 | ECON_POLICIES_I | Num | 3 | Would you say that overall, the economic policies of the Obama administration hurt the economy, helped the economy, or had no effect either way? |
| 48 | EFFORT_DEMS_I | Num | 3 | Looking back on the last few years, have the Democrats in Congress made a big effort to fix the economy, some effort to fix the economy, or very little effort to fix the economy? |

| 49 | EFFORT_GOP_I | Num | 3 | In the last few years, have the Republicans in Congress made a big effort to fix the economy, some effort to fix the economy, or very little effort to fix the economy? |
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| 50 | EFFORT_BOTH_I | Num | 8 | Recode of EFFORT_OBAMA & EFFORT_GOP |
| 51 | HEALTH_I | Num | 3 | Would you say that in general your health is... |
| 52 | DOC_COST_I | Num | 3 | Was there a time in the past 12 months when you needed to see a doctor but could not because of cost? |
| 53 | HEALTH_INS_EMP_I | Num | 8 | Are you currently covered by the following type of health insurance or plan? 1. Employer |
| 54 | HEALTH_INS_SPOUSE_I | Num | 8 | Are you currently covered by the following type of health insurance or plan? 2. Spouse's/partner's/parent's employer |
| 55 | HEALTH_INS_BUY_I | Num | 8 | Are you currently covered by the following type of health insurance or plan? 3. A plan that you or someone else buys on your own |
| 56 | HEALTH_INS_MEDICARE_I | Num | 8 | Are you currently covered by the following type of health insurance or plan? 4. Medicare |
| 57 | HEALTH_INS_MEDICAID_I | Num | 8 | Are you currently covered by the following type of health insurance or plan? [CHECK ALL THAT APPLY] 5. Medicaid/Medi-Cal or Medical Assistance |
| 58 | HEALTH_INS_MIL_I | Num | 8 | Are you currently covered by the following type of health insurance or plan? 6. The military, CHAMPUS, TRICARE, or the VA [or CHAMP-VA] |
| 59 | HEALTH_INS_OTHER_I | Num | 8 | Are you currently covered by the following type of health insurance or plan? 7. Some other source |

| 60 | HEALTH_INS_NONE_I | Num | 8 | Are you currently covered by the following type of health insurance or plan? 8. None-no health insurance |
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| 61 | HEALTH_INS_DK_I | Num | 8 | Are you currently covered by the following type of health insurance or plan? 77. DONT KNOW |
| 62 | HEALTH_INS_REF_I | Num | 8 | Are you currently covered by the following type of health insurance or plan? 99. Refused |
| 63 | HEALTH_DENIED_I | Num | 3 | Have you ever applied for health insurance but been denied because of a pre-existing condition? |
| 64 | ACA_2010_I | Num | 3 | Now we'd like to ask you about the 2010 Affordable Care Act, also known as the health care reform bill. Thinking back to 2010, did you favor or oppose passage of the Affordable Care Act of 2010? |
| 65 | ACA_REPEAL_I | Num | 3 | As of today, do you favor or oppose repeal of the Act? |
| 66 | ACA_COVERAGE_I | Num | 3 | Do you think the Affordable Care Act, if fully implemented, will increase or decrease the proportion of Americans who have health care coverage, or have no effect? |
| 67 | ACA_COST_I | Num | 3 | Do you think the Affordable Care Act, if fully implemented, will increase or decrease the cost of health care in the United States, or have no effect? |
| 68 | ACA_ACCESS_I | Num | 3 | Would you personally have better or worse access to health care under this law than you currently do, or would it make no difference? |
| 69 | ACA_PAY_I | Num | 3 | Would you have to pay more or less for health care than you currently do under this law, or would it make no difference? |

| 70 | SOC_SEC_I | Num | 3 | Do you support or oppose the proposal to allow workers currently under 55 to have the option of investing a portion of their social security taxes? |
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| 71 | GENDER_I | Num | 3 | [INTERVIEWER: CODE GENDER IF KNOWN. IF NOT ASK THE FOLLOWING QUESTION] Are you male or female? |
| 72 | SCHOOLING_I | Num | 3 | What is the highest grade or level of school that you have completed? |
| 73 | MAR_STATUS_I | Num | 3 | Are you married, widowed, divorced, separated, or have you never been married? |
| 74 | RACE_ETHNICITY_I | Num | 8 | Ethnicity (white,Hispanic,other) |
| 75 | AGE_CAT_I | Num | 8 | Age (categories) |
| 76 | NUM_HOUSEHOLD_I | Num | 8 | Now some questions about your entire household. Including the adults and all the children, how many people live in this household? |
| 77 | AGE_HOUSEHOLD_I | Num | 8 | How many of these are adults 18 years of age or older? |
| 78 | INC_HH_RANGE_I | Num | 8 | Can you tell me the letter of the category that is your best estimate of the combined household income during 2011 for all members of the household? |
| 79 | HOME_I | Num | 3 | Which of the following best describes your house or apartment? |
| 80 | INTER_LL_I | Num | 3 | During the past 12 months, has your household been without telephone service for 1 week or more? Please do not include cellular phones or interruptions of phone service due to weather or natural disasters. |
| 81 | NUM_PERS_CELL_I | Num | 3 | Next, I have a question about cell phones. In total, how many working cell phones do YOU have available for your personal use? |

| 82 | LANDLINES_I | Num | 8 | Number of home phones in household |
|----|-------------|-----|---|-----------------------------------|
| 83 | CITIZEN_R_I | Num | 8 | Citizenship: US or other |
| 84 | PARTY_AFFIL_I | Num | 3 | Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as a Republican, Democrat, Independent, or what? |
| 85 | PARTY_AFFIL_R_I | Num | 8 | Recoded 4-category party aff (Rep,Dem,Ind,Other/DK/RF) |
| 86 | PARTY_STRENGTH_I | Num | 3 | Would you call yourself a strong (PARTY_AFFIL) or not so strong (PARTY_AFFIL)? |
| 87 | PARTY_CLOSER_I | Num | 3 | Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican or Democratic Party? (universe: R is not republican/democrat) |
| 88 | PARTY_ID_I | Num | 8 | Party ID (Recode of PARTY_AFFIL, PARTY_STRENGTH & PARTY_CLOSER) |
| 89 | PARTY_ID1_I | Num | 8 | Recoded 5-category Party ID |
| 90 | PARTY_ID2_I | Num | 8 | Recoded 3-category party ID (Dem/Ind/Rep) |
| 91 | WORK_SIT_R_I | Num | 8 | How would you describe your current employment status? |
| 92 | TYPE_EMP_R_I | Num | 8 | What type of employer do you work for? |
| 93 | WISH_HOURS_I | Num | 3 | Do you wish you were working more hours, fewer hours, or is the number of hours you're working about right? |
| 94 | NUM_EMP_I | Num | 3 | As far as you know, about how many employees does your employer have working at all of its locations? |
| 95 | EVER_MIL_I | Num | 3 | Have you ever served on active military duty? |
| 96 | DEBATE_I | Num | 8 | Interview timing relative to first debate |
| 97 | VOTE_II | Num | 8 | Which one of the following best describes what you did in the elections that were held November 6th? |

| 98 | VOTE_UNSURE_II | Num | 8 | If you had to guess, would you say that you probably did vote in the elections, or probably did not vote in the elections? |
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| 99 | VOTE_YES_II | Num | 8 | Who did you vote for, Barack Obama, Mitt Romney, or somebody else? |
| 100 | VOTE_NO_II | Num | 8 | Even if you did not vote, who did you prefer, Barack Obama, Mitt Romney, or somebody else? |
| 101 | IDEA_GOV_II | Num | 8 | First, what about government aid to banks and major financial institutions that were in danger of failing? (READ IF NECESSARY: Do you think it was a good idea or a bad idea in general?) |
| 102 | IDEA_LOANS_II | Num | 8 | What about government loans to U.S. automakers that were in danger of going bankrupt? (READ IF NECESSARY: Do you think it was a good idea or a bad idea in general?) |
| 103 | IDEA_AID_II | Num | 8 | Government aid to state and local governments so that they could put people to work? (READ IF NECESSARY: Do you think it was a good idea or a bad idea in general?) |
| 104 | SINCERE_BO_II | Num | 8 | Do you think Barack Obama did or did not make a sincere effort to work with the Republicans in Congress to find solutions that are acceptable to both parties? |
| 105 | SINCERE_REP_II | Num | 8 | Do you think the Republicans in Congress did or did not make a sincere effort to work with Barack Obama and the Democrats in Congress to find solutions that are acceptable to both parties? |

| 106 | SINCERE_DEM_II | Num | 8 | Do you think the Democrats in Congress did or did not make a sincere effort to work with the Republicans in Congress to find solutions that are acceptable to both parties? |
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| 107 | PROB_TERROR_II | Num | 8 | Do you believe this problem is very important, somewhat important, or not very important at all. International terrorism? |
| 108 | PROB_UNEMP_II | Num | 8 | Do you believe this problem is very important, somewhat important, or not very important at all. Unemployment |
| 109 | PROB_CLIM_II | Num | 8 | Do you believe this problem is very important, somewhat important, or not very important at all. Climate change |
| 110 | PROB_CHILD_II | Num | 8 | Do you believe this problem is very important, somewhat important, or not very important at all. Child poverty |
| 111 | PROB_INFL_II | Num | 8 | Do you believe this problem is very important, somewhat important, or not very important at all. Inflation |
| 112 | PROB_EDU_II | Num | 8 | Do you believe this problem is very important, somewhat important, or not very important at all. Education |
| 113 | PROB_BUDGET_II | Num | 8 | Do you believe this problem is very important, somewhat important, or not very important at all. Budget deficits |
| 114 | PROB_HEALTH_II | Num | 8 | Do you believe this problem is very important, somewhat important, or not very important at all. Health care |
| 115 | PROB_ENERGY_II | Num | 8 | Do you believe this problem is very important, somewhat important, or not very important at all. Energy supplies |

| 116 | IMP_NOW_II | Num | 8 | What is more important now: A. Having the federal gov spend money and hold down taxes to try to encourage job creation or B. Having the federal government cut down the federal budget deficit? |
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| 117 | BUDGET_INC_TAXES_II | Num | 8 | Would you favor Increases in taxes paid by ordinary Americans in order to cut the federal budget deficit? |
| 118 | BUDGET_CUTS_DOM_II | Num | 8 | Would you favor cuts in spending on domestic programs like Medicare, education, and highways in order to cut the federal budget deficit? |
| 119 | BUDGET_CUTS_DEF_II | Num | 8 | Would you favor cuts in spending on national defense in order to cut the federal budget deficit? |
| 120 | BUDGET_CUT_TAXES_II | Num | 8 | Would you favor an increase in the federal budget deficit in order to cut the taxes paid by ordinary Americans? |
| 121 | BUDGET_DOM_II | Num | 8 | Would you favor an increase in the federal budget deficit in order to increase spending on domestic programs like Medicare, education, and highways? |
| 122 | BUDGET_INC_DEF_II | Num | 8 | Would you favor an increase in the federal budget deficit in order to increase spending on national defense? |
| 123 | TAX_RATE_II | Num | 8 | Do you think that the federal income tax rates for households making more than $250,000 per year should be increased, decreased, or kept at the current level? |
| 124 | HC_INS_II | Num | 8 | (Should the government) Require that all people buy health insurance? |
| 125 | HC_BUS_II | Num | 8 | (Should the government) Require that all businesses provide insurance for their employees? |

| 126 | HC_MEDICAID_II | Num | 8 | (Should the government) Require that states expand Medicaid to cover more people? |
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| 127 | HC_PAY_II | Num | 8 | (Should the government) Pay for health care for all Americans? |
| 128 | HC_CONTRACEPT_II | Num | 8 | (Should the government) Require insurance companies to pay for contraceptives? |
| 129 | HC_OVER65_II | Num | 8 | (Should the government) Pay for health care for all Americans over 65? |
| 130 | HC_POVERTY_II | Num | 8 | (Should the government) Pay for health care for all Americans who are in poverty? |
| 131 | HC_DRUG_II | Num | 8 | (Should the government) Cover drug bills for senior citizens? |
| 132 | HC_PREEXIST_II | Num | 8 | (Should the government) Prohibit insurance companies from denying health insurance coverage because of a preexisting condition? |
| 133 | HC_PLAN25_II | Num | 8 | (Should the government) Require insurance companies to cover children on their parent's health insurance plans through age 25? |
| 134 | HC_MANCARE_II | Num | 8 | (Should the gov) Change Medicare from fee for service to managed care? |
| 135 | MED_FUTURE_II | Num | 8 | What should Medicare be like in the future? A: Medicare should continue as is for all people. B: Medicare should be changed for under 55 to a system in which gov helps purchase coverage from Medicare or a list of private health plans. |
| 136 | GAP_MID_POOR_II | Num | 8 | Compared to 25 years ago, do you think there is a wider gap between the incomes of middle class people and poor people, a narrower gap, or has there not been much change? |

| 137 | GAP_MID_RICH_II | Num | 8 | Compared to 25 years ago, do you think there is a wider gap between the incomes of middle class people and rich people, a narrower gap, or has there not been much change? |
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| 138 | INC_DIF_II | Num | 8 | Do you agree or disagree that differences in income in America are too large? |
| 139 | GAP_REP_II | Num | 8 | Do the Republican Party and Presidents bear a great deal of responsibility, some responsibility, not much responsibility, or no responsibility at all for the gap in incomes? |
| 140 | GAP_DEM_II | Num | 8 | Do the Democratic Party and Presidents bear a great deal of responsibility, some responsibility, not much responsibility, or no responsibility at all for the gap in incomes? |
| 141 | GAP_BUS_II | Num | 8 | Do the practices of business corporations bear a great deal of responsibility, some responsibility, not much responsibility, or no responsibility at all for the gap in incomes? |
| 142 | GAP_LABOR_II | Num | 8 | Do the practices of labor unions bear a great deal of responsibility, some responsibility, not much responsibility, or no responsibility at all for the gap in incomes? |
| 143 | GAP_WORKERS_II | Num | 8 | Do the educational and occupational choices of workers bear a great deal of responsibility, some responsibility, not much responsibility, or no responsibility at all for the gap in incomes? |

| 144 | OPP_LIBERTY_II | Num | 8 | If you had to choose, is it more important for the country to achieve more equal opportunity or to achieve greater liberty? |
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| 145 | ROLE_GOV_II | Num | 8 | Which of these statements is closer to your own opinion about the role of government? |
| 146 | REP_II | Num | 8 | When it comes to government, would you like YOUR representatives in DC to stand by their principles or would you like YOUR representatives in Washington to work with others to get things done? |
| 147 | HH_HEALTH_II | Num | 8 | Do you or does anybody in your household work in the health care industry? |
| 148 | HH_HOSPITAL_II | Num | 8 | Do you or does a member of your household work for a hospital, as or for a health care provider, for a health insurance company, or for some other kind of health care company? |
| 149 | GEN_ELDERLY_II | Num | 8 | Right now, do you think the elderly are getting more than their fair share, less than their fair share, or about their fair share of benefits from the federal government? |
| 150 | GEN_YOUNG_II | Num | 8 | Do you think that young people are getting more than their fair share, less than their fair share, or about their fair share of benefits from the federal government? |
| 151 | STRATA | Num | 8 | Strata |
| 152 | VSTRATUM | Num | 8 | VSTRATUM (STRATA by TYPE) |
| 153 | WAVE1_WT | Num | 8 | Wave 1 Weights |
| 154 | WAVE2_WT | Num | 8 | Wave 2 Weights |
| 155 | WAVE2_WT_R | Num | 8 | Wave 2 Weights Recalibrated |
| 156 | TYPE | Char | 4 | Contact type |

| 157 | STATE_TYPE | Num | 8 | Battleground States (binary variable) |
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To minimize the risks of disclosing respondent privacy, please see the attached questionnaires for details on dropped or combined variables present in the Public Use File.

# Details of Variables

## Wave I

| In the upcoming election, which candidate do you prefer in the race for President of the United States? | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CAN_PREF_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 1 Barack Obama | 1,112 | 122,088,717 | 4,348,467 | 51.4 | 1.6 | 2.06 |
| 2 Mitt Romney | 797 | 83,660,179 | 3,754,502 | 35.2 | 1.5 | 2.00 |
| 3 Some other candidate | 91 | 14,492,049 | 2,080,352 | 6.1 | 0.9 | 2.71 |
| 4 I have not decided yet, No preference | 111 | 14,325,826 | 2,014,199 | 6.0 | 0.8 | 2.58 |
| 77 Don't know | 14 | 1,972,420 | 675,067 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 2.09 |
| 99 Refuse | 11 | 1,118,455 | 480,086 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 1.86 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| Do you intend to vote in the presidential election this fall? | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| INTEND_VOTE_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 1 Yes, I plan to vote on or before election day | 1,678 | 184,630,424 | 4,689,692 | 77.7 | 1.3 | 2.22 |
| 2 Yes, I already voted, early or absentee | 294 | 27,813,924 | 2,302,753 | 11.7 | 1.0 | 1.87 |
| 3 No, I do not intend to vote | 116 | 18,135,898 | 2,270,698 | 7.6 | 0.9 | 2.60 |
| 4 have not decided yet | 39 | 6,383,949 | 1,494,242 | 2.7 | 0.6 | 3.14 |
| 77 Don't know | 8 | 432,583 | 252,819 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 1.33 |
| 99 Refuse | 1 | 260,868 | 260,868 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 2.34 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| RATE_FEEL_BO_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *(Could you tell me whether your view is very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative?) Barack Obama* | | | | | | |
| 1 Very positive | 727 | 74,356,324 | 3,600,879 | 31.3 | 1.4 | 1.99 |
| 2 Somewhat positive | 415 | 51,754,441 | 3,305,345 | 21.8 | 1.3 | 2.13 |
| 3 Neutral | 171 | 24,506,072 | 2,571,051 | 10.3 | 1.0 | 2.49 |
| 4 Somewhat negative | 222 | 26,697,209 | 2,557,678 | 11.2 | 1.0 | 2.30 |
| 5 Very negative | 594 | 59,355,468 | 3,162,702 | 25.0 | 1.3 | 1.89 |
| 77 Don't know | 6 | 808,106 | 398,066 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 1.77 |
| 99 Refuse | 1 | 180,024 | 180,024 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 1.62 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| RATE_FEEL_MR_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *(Could you tell me whether your view is very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative?) Mitt Romney* | | | | | | |
| 1 Very positive | 474 | 47,957,274 | 2,821,176 | 20.2 | 1.2 | 1.81 |
| 2 Somewhat positive | 346 | 37,459,687 | 2,792,408 | 15.8 | 1.1 | 2.06 |
| 3 Neutral | 252 | 37,430,027 | 3,311,125 | 15.7 | 1.3 | 2.68 |
| 4 Somewhat negative | 371 | 42,764,991 | 2,919,865 | 18.0 | 1.2 | 2.02 |
| 5 Very negative | 664 | 68,658,739 | 3,480,398 | 28.9 | 1.4 | 1.97 |
| 77 Don't know | 24 | 3,021,065 | 757,841 | 1.3 | 0.3 | 1.73 |
| 99 Refuse | 5 | 365,863 | 214,319 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 1.13 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| RATE_FEEL_JB_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *(Could you tell me whether your view is very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative?) Joe Biden* | | | | | | |
| 1 Very positive | 464 | 42,954,136 | 2,868,808 | 18.1 | 1.2 | 1.95 |
| 2 Somewhat positive | 407 | 45,094,018 | 2,872,340 | 19.0 | 1.2 | 1.92 |
| 3 Neutral | 376 | 49,841,331 | 3,361,339 | 21.0 | 1.3 | 2.22 |
| 4 Somewhat negative | 228 | 26,095,466 | 2,440,498 | 11.0 | 1.0 | 2.17 |
| 5 Very negative | 558 | 56,521,165 | 3,079,846 | 23.8 | 1.3 | 1.87 |
| 77 Don't know | 98 | 16,630,131 | 2,295,758 | 7.0 | 0.9 | 2.87 |
| 99 Refuse | 5 | 521,399 | 260,554 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 1.17 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| RATE_FEEL_PR_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *(Could you tell me whether your view is very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative?) Paul Ryan* | | | | | | |
| 1 Very positive | 441 | 40,352,746 | 2,419,880 | 17.0 | 1.0 | 1.61 |
| 2 Somewhat positive | 276 | 31,086,041 | 2,596,859 | 13.1 | 1.1 | 2.10 |
| 3 Neutral | 361 | 53,958,892 | 3,856,461 | 22.7 | 1.4 | 2.55 |
| 4 Somewhat negative | 257 | 26,572,160 | 2,273,569 | 11.2 | 0.9 | 1.90 |
| 5 Very negative | 651 | 65,163,719 | 3,185,064 | 27.4 | 1.3 | 1.84 |
| 77 Don't know | 144 | 19,964,197 | 2,350,441 | 8.4 | 1.0 | 2.54 |
| 99 Refuse | 6 | 559,890 | 294,877 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 1.40 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| RATE_FEEL_DC_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *(Could you tell me whether your view is very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative?) The Democrats in Congress* | | | | | | |
| 1 Very positive | 288 | 31,585,422 | 2,608,232 | 13.3 | 1.1 | 2.08 |
| 2 Somewhat positive | 510 | 53,557,612 | 3,014,184 | 22.5 | 1.2 | 1.87 |
| 3 Neutral | 423 | 54,180,909 | 3,597,533 | 22.8 | 1.4 | 2.31 |
| 4 Somewhat negative | 383 | 42,565,553 | 2,921,161 | 17.9 | 1.2 | 2.03 |
| 5 Very negative | 468 | 47,350,031 | 2,921,965 | 19.9 | 1.2 | 1.90 |
| 77 Don't know | 54 | 7,872,496 | 1,543,142 | 3.3 | 0.6 | 2.73 |
| 99 Refuse | 10 | 545,622 | 226,837 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.85 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| RATE_FEEL_RC_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *(Could you tell me whether your view is very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative?) The Republicans in Congress* | | | | | | |
| 1 Very positive | 123 | 14,903,881 | 1,803,812 | 6.3 | 0.7 | 2.03 |
| 2 Somewhat positive | 378 | 42,262,635 | 3,029,261 | 17.8 | 1.2 | 2.14 |
| 3 Neutral | 393 | 51,105,820 | 3,489,770 | 21.5 | 1.4 | 2.31 |
| 4 Somewhat negative | 474 | 52,164,087 | 3,136,814 | 21.9 | 1.3 | 1.99 |
| 5 Very negative | 715 | 70,146,087 | 3,334,715 | 29.5 | 1.4 | 1.89 |
| 77 Don't know | 43 | 6,288,527 | 1,388,451 | 2.6 | 0.6 | 2.77 |
| 99 Refuse | 10 | 786,608 | 328,020 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 1.24 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| (Could you tell me whether your view is very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative?) The Supreme Court | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| RATE_FEEL_SC_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 1 Very positive | 254 | 30,157,768 | 2,701,884 | 12.7 | 1.1 | 2.29 |
| 2 Somewhat positive | 586 | 63,803,648 | 3,440,925 | 26.8 | 1.4 | 2.01 |
| 3 Neutral | 732 | 86,305,579 | 4,034,467 | 36.3 | 1.5 | 2.09 |
| 4 Somewhat negative | 316 | 31,866,960 | 2,425,363 | 13.4 | 1.0 | 1.85 |
| 5 Very negative | 148 | 14,208,645 | 1,683,265 | 6.0 | 0.7 | 1.87 |
| 77 Don't know | 82 | 9,546,933 | 1,497,494 | 4.0 | 0.6 | 2.15 |
| 99 Refuse | 18 | 1,768,112 | 615,251 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 1.93 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| (Could you tell me whether your view is very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative?) The Tea Party Movement | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| RATE_FEEL_TP_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 1 Very positive | 221 | 23,145,385 | 2,110,386 | 9.7 | 0.9 | 1.87 |
| 2 Somewhat positive | 373 | 39,331,332 | 2,813,770 | 16.5 | 1.1 | 2.01 |
| 3 Neutral | 433 | 58,788,264 | 3,779,635 | 24.7 | 1.4 | 2.34 |
| 4 Somewhat negative | 248 | 28,306,435 | 2,600,014 | 11.9 | 1.1 | 2.26 |
| 5 Very negative | 705 | 68,706,443 | 3,195,376 | 28.9 | 1.3 | 1.83 |
| 77 Don't know | 144 | 17,795,157 | 2,008,767 | 7.5 | 0.8 | 2.12 |
| 99 Refuse | 12 | 1,584,629 | 674,084 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 2.58 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| RATE_IDEOL_BO_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *1 Very liberal* | 885 | 88,358,038 | 3,735,050 | 37.2 | 1.5 | 1.97 |
| *2 Somewhat liberal* | 642 | 75,622,099 | 3,889,340 | 31.8 | 1.5 | 2.12 |
| *3 Moderate* | 294 | 34,043,933 | 2,661,444 | 14.3 | 1.1 | 2.04 |
| *4 Somewhat conservative* | 102 | 12,458,193 | 1,693,931 | 5.2 | 0.7 | 2.13 |
| *5 Very conservative* | 122 | 16,938,355 | 2,237,275 | 7.1 | 0.9 | 2.68 |
| *77 Don't know* | 68 | 8,825,217 | 1,358,377 | 3.7 | 0.6 | 1.93 |
| *99 Refuse* | 23 | 1,411,810 | 364,667 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.86 |
| *Total* | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

*How would you rate……? Barack Obama*

| RATE_IDEOL_MR_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *1 Very liberal* | 80 | 9,643,917 | 1,538,384 | 4.1 | 0.6 | 2.24 |
| *2 Somewhat liberal* | 108 | 15,604,431 | 2,126,709 | 6.6 | 0.9 | 2.64 |
| *3 Moderate* | 246 | 28,798,773 | 2,557,216 | 12.1 | 1.0 | 2.17 |
| *4 Somewhat conservative* | 890 | 93,923,594 | 3,923,940 | 39.5 | 1.5 | 2.02 |
| *5 Very conservative* | 677 | 73,075,855 | 3,670,639 | 30.7 | 1.4 | 2.03 |
| *77 Don't know* | 110 | 14,513,620 | 1,775,273 | 6.1 | 0.7 | 2.03 |
| *99 Refuse* | 25 | 2,097,456 | 593,087 | 0.9 | 0.2 | 1.52 |
| *Total* | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

*How would you rate……? Mitt Romney*

| RATE_IDEOL_PR_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 Very liberal | 58 | 5,976,791 | 1,183,638 | 2.5 | 0.5 | 2.13 |
| 2 Somewhat liberal | 96 | 11,104,751 | 1,663,414 | 4.7 | 0.7 | 2.28 |
| 3 Moderate | 231 | 33,504,827 | 3,052,401 | 14.1 | 1.2 | 2.57 |
| 4 Somewhat conservative | 490 | 52,802,666 | 3,265,157 | 22.2 | 1.3 | 2.07 |
| 5 Very conservative | 1,009 | 100,907,327 | 3,688,014 | 42.5 | 1.5 | 1.96 |
| 77 Don't know | 233 | 31,203,524 | 2,792,651 | 13.1 | 1.1 | 2.35 |
| 99 Refuse | 19 | 2,157,758 | 662,909 | 0.9 | 0.3 | 1.84 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

*How would you rate……? Yourself*

| RATE_IDEOL_YOURSELF_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 Very liberal | 322 | 37,264,832 | 2,915,503 | 15.7 | 1.2 | 2.20 |
| 2 Somewhat liberal | 412 | 46,113,635 | 2,972,097 | 19.4 | 1.2 | 1.98 |
| 3 Moderate | 514 | 61,909,510 | 3,675,392 | 26.0 | 1.4 | 2.20 |
| 4 Somewhat conservative | 416 | 43,016,168 | 2,909,225 | 18.1 | 1.2 | 2.00 |
| 5 Very conservative | 419 | 43,325,949 | 2,770,422 | 18.2 | 1.1 | 1.86 |
| 77 Don't know | 39 | 5,271,676 | 1,109,576 | 2.2 | 0.5 | 2.12 |
| 99 Refuse | 14 | 755,874 | 235,827 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.67 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| FIN_FAM_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Would you say that (you / you and your family living here) are BETTER off or WORSE off financially than you were a year ago, or about the same?* | | | | | | |
| 1 Better off | 426 | 47,463,891 | 3,000,086 | 20.0 | 1.2 | 1.97 |
| 2 Worse off | 588 | 64,046,296 | 3,423,072 | 26.9 | 1.4 | 2.00 |
| 3 About the same | 1,116 | 125,133,584 | 4,597,888 | 52.7 | 1.5 | 2.04 |
| 77 Don't know | 3 | 565,357 | 472,055 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 3.54 |
| 99 Refuse | 3 | 448,517 | 288,516 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 1.67 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| US_ECON_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Would you describe the state of the nation's economy these days as excellent, good, not so good, or poor?* | | | | | | |
| 1 Excellent | 20 | 1,477,862 | 425,336 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 1.11 |
| 2 Good | 415 | 48,258,739 | 3,267,265 | 20.3 | 1.3 | 2.19 |
| 3 Not so good | 904 | 98,561,477 | 4,047,706 | 41.5 | 1.5 | 2.03 |
| 4 Poor | 783 | 87,479,639 | 3,975,859 | 36.8 | 1.5 | 2.06 |
| 77 Don't know | 13 | 1,836,239 | 698,757 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 2.39 |
| 99 Refused | 1 | 43,689 | 43,689 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.39 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| CRED_BLAME_1_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Does President Obama deserve a great deal of credit/blame, some credit/blame, not much credit/blame, or no credit/blame at all for the economic conditions currently facing the country?* | | | | | | |
| . | 14 | 1,879,928 | 700,121 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 2.35 |
| *1 Great deal of credit/blame* | 622 | 64,141,082 | 3,467,505 | 27.0 | 1.4 | 2.02 |
| *2 Some credit/blame* | 884 | 102,621,959 | 4,263,246 | 43.2 | 1.5 | 2.07 |
| *3 Not much credit/blame* | 367 | 43,144,930 | 3,076,150 | 18.2 | 1.2 | 2.16 |
| *4 no credit/blame at all* | 229 | 23,596,322 | 2,067,962 | 9.9 | 0.9 | 1.78 |
| *77 Don't know* | 10 | 1,137,435 | 437,243 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 1.52 |
| *99 Refuse* | 10 | 1,135,989 | 535,594 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 2.27 |
| *Total* | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| CRED_BLAME_2_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *I want you to tell me how much credit/blame (from US_ECON) you think each of them deserves for current economic conditions. How about President George W. Bush?* | | | | | | |
| . | 14 | 1,879,928 | 700,121 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 2.35 |
| *1 Great deal of credit/blame* | 810 | 91,028,488 | 4,009,396 | 38.3 | 1.5 | 2.05 |
| *2 Some credit/blame* | 890 | 93,693,986 | 3,893,919 | 39.4 | 1.5 | 2.01 |
| *3 Not much credit/blame* | 195 | 23,491,572 | 2,446,515 | 9.9 | 1.0 | 2.37 |
| *4 no credit/blame at all* | 196 | 23,547,968 | 2,391,048 | 9.9 | 1.0 | 2.27 |
| *77 Don't know* | 18 | 2,031,146 | 646,876 | 0.9 | 0.3 | 1.86 |
| *99 Refuse* | 13 | 1,984,557 | 699,957 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 2.23 |
| *Total* | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| CRED_BLAME_3_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| . | 14 | 1,879,928 | 700,121 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 2.35 |
| 1 Great deal of credit/blame | 605 | 65,735,444 | 3,576,845 | 27.7 | 1.4 | 2.07 |
| 2 Some credit/blame | 1,119 | 123,605,993 | 4,403,884 | 52.0 | 1.6 | 2.06 |
| 3 Not much credit/blame | 248 | 26,263,323 | 2,289,166 | 11.1 | 0.9 | 1.94 |
| 4 no credit/blame at all | 90 | 10,561,214 | 1,534,316 | 4.4 | 0.6 | 2.05 |
| 77 Don't know | 49 | 8,158,022 | 1,562,305 | 3.4 | 0.6 | 2.71 |
| 99 Refuse | 11 | 1,453,722 | 606,458 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 2.28 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

*I want you to tell me how much credit/blame (from US_ECON) you think each of them deserves for current economic conditions. The Democrats in Congress?*

| CRED_BLAME_4_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| . | 14 | 1,879,928 | 700,121 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 2.35 |
| 1 Great deal of credit/blame | 687 | 70,610,215 | 3,397,557 | 29.7 | 1.4 | 1.92 |
| 2 Some credit/blame | 1,000 | 111,595,170 | 4,373,103 | 47.0 | 1.6 | 2.06 |
| 3 Not much credit/blame | 206 | 27,124,195 | 2,514,408 | 11.4 | 1.0 | 2.21 |
| 4 no credit/blame at all | 176 | 18,852,792 | 2,079,517 | 7.9 | 0.9 | 2.15 |
| 77 Don't know | 41 | 5,925,087 | 1,387,985 | 2.5 | 0.6 | 2.93 |
| 99 Refuse | 12 | 1,670,258 | 630,949 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 2.15 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

*I want you to tell me how much credit/blame (from US_ECON) you think each of them deserves for current economic conditions. The Republicans in Congress?*

| CRED_BLAME_5_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| . | 14 | 1,879,928 | 700,121 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 2.35 |
| 1 Great deal of credit/blame | 449 | 51,955,295 | 3,342,310 | 21.9 | 1.3 | 2.16 |
| 2 Some credit/blame | 989 | 104,832,009 | 4,002,387 | 44.1 | 1.5 | 2.02 |
| 3 Not much credit/blame | 258 | 29,409,170 | 2,634,679 | 12.4 | 1.1 | 2.24 |
| 4 no credit/blame at all | 123 | 14,196,893 | 1,743,086 | 6.0 | 0.7 | 2.00 |
| 77 Don't know | 275 | 32,340,415 | 2,719,014 | 13.6 | 1.1 | 2.19 |
| 99 Refuse | 28 | 3,043,936 | 780,792 | 1.3 | 0.3 | 1.82 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

*I want you to tell me how much credit/blame (from US_ECON) you think each of them deserves for current economic conditions. The Federal Reserve Board?*

| CRED_BLAME_6_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| . | 14 | 1,879,928 | 700,121 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 2.35 |
| 1 Great deal of credit/blame | 978 | 105,396,427 | 4,138,428 | 44.3 | 1.5 | 2.04 |
| 2 Some credit/blame | 750 | 86,862,647 | 4,120,555 | 36.5 | 1.5 | 2.11 |
| 3 Not much credit/blame | 192 | 20,997,898 | 2,052,458 | 8.8 | 0.9 | 1.92 |
| 4 no credit/blame at all | 128 | 13,814,960 | 1,632,899 | 5.8 | 0.7 | 1.82 |
| 77 Don't know | 57 | 6,583,131 | 1,331,075 | 2.8 | 0.6 | 2.44 |
| 99 Refuse | 17 | 2,122,654 | 679,250 | 0.9 | 0.3 | 1.96 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

*I want you to tell me how much credit/blame (from US_ECON) you think each of them deserves for current economic conditions. Banks and other financial institutions?*

| How much credit/blame does President Obama deserve? | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CRED_BLAME_OBAMA_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 1 Great deal of credit | 167 | 17,881,989 | 2,095,206 | 7.5 | 0.9 | 2.27 |
| 2 Some credit | 212 | 25,761,311 | 2,458,998 | 10.8 | 1.0 | 2.22 |
| 3 Not much credit | 28 | 2,972,507 | 775,618 | 1.3 | 0.3 | 1.84 |
| 4 No credit | 17 | 1,966,666 | 602,330 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 1.67 |
| 5 No blame | 212 | 21,629,656 | 1,991,912 | 9.1 | 0.8 | 1.78 |
| 6 Not much blame | 339 | 40,172,423 | 3,000,446 | 16.9 | 1.2 | 2.18 |
| 7 Some blame | 672 | 76,860,648 | 3,791,805 | 32.3 | 1.5 | 2.06 |
| 8 Great deal of blame | 455 | 46,259,093 | 2,923,294 | 19.5 | 1.2 | 1.93 |
| 77 Don't know | 23 | 2,973,674 | 822,750 | 1.3 | 0.3 | 2.06 |
| 99 Refuse | 11 | 1,179,678 | 537,373 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 2.20 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| How much credit/blame does President George W. Bush deserve? | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CRED_BLAME_BUSH_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 1 Great deal of credit | 135 | 13,599,126 | 1,664,508 | 5.7 | 0.7 | 1.91 |
| 2 Some credit | 110 | 13,755,654 | 1,764,035 | 5.8 | 0.7 | 2.10 |
| 3 Not much credit | 41 | 5,199,840 | 1,355,813 | 2.2 | 0.6 | 3.17 |
| 4 No credit | 135 | 15,467,457 | 1,934,276 | 6.5 | 0.8 | 2.24 |
| 5 No blame | 61 | 8,080,511 | 1,455,554 | 3.4 | 0.6 | 2.38 |
| 6 Not much blame | 154 | 18,291,732 | 2,062,666 | 7.7 | 0.9 | 2.17 |
| 7 Some blame | 780 | 79,938,333 | 3,647,315 | 33.6 | 1.4 | 1.97 |
| 8 Great deal of blame | 675 | 77,429,362 | 3,806,454 | 32.6 | 1.5 | 2.06 |
| 77 Don't know | 31 | 3,867,385 | 949,004 | 1.6 | 0.4 | 2.11 |
| 99 Refuse | 14 | 2,028,246 | 701,319 | 0.9 | 0.3 | 2.19 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| How much credit/blame do the Democrats in Congress deserve? | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CRED_BLAME_DEM_CONGR_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 1 Great deal of credit | 70 | 9,589,596 | 1,803,669 | 4.0 | 0.7 | 3.05 |
| 2 Some credit | 271 | 27,794,477 | 2,284,715 | 11.7 | 0.9 | 1.86 |
| 3 Not much credit | 48 | 5,461,099 | 1,246,928 | 2.3 | 0.5 | 2.57 |
| 4 No credit | 23 | 2,880,878 | 822,420 | 1.2 | 0.3 | 2.12 |
| 5 No blame | 67 | 7,680,336 | 1,304,006 | 3.2 | 0.5 | 2.03 |
| 6 Not much blame | 200 | 20,802,224 | 1,953,302 | 8.8 | 0.8 | 1.78 |
| 7 Some blame | 848 | 95,811,516 | 4,140,219 | 40.3 | 1.5 | 2.07 |
| 8 Great deal of blame | 535 | 56,145,847 | 3,184,234 | 23.6 | 1.3 | 1.95 |
| 77 Don't know | 62 | 9,994,261 | 1,706,684 | 4.2 | 0.7 | 2.65 |
| 99 Refuse | 12 | 1,497,411 | 608,029 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 2.22 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| How much credit/blame do the Republicans in Congress deserve? | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CRED_BLAME_REP_CONGR_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 1 Great deal of credit | 93 | 10,726,591 | 1,520,190 | 4.5 | 0.6 | 1.99 |
| 2 Some credit | 135 | 15,830,197 | 1,903,226 | 6.7 | 0.8 | 2.13 |
| 3 Not much credit | 66 | 8,797,742 | 1,606,217 | 3.7 | 0.7 | 2.65 |
| 4 No credit | 120 | 11,725,853 | 1,661,938 | 4.9 | 0.7 | 2.17 |
| 5 No blame | 56 | 7,126,939 | 1,286,144 | 3.0 | 0.5 | 2.12 |
| 6 Not much blame | 140 | 18,326,453 | 1,979,683 | 7.7 | 0.8 | 2.02 |
| 7 Some blame | 865 | 95,764,973 | 4,152,590 | 40.3 | 1.5 | 2.07 |
| 8 Great deal of blame | 594 | 59,883,624 | 3,154,668 | 25.2 | 1.3 | 1.88 |
| 77 Don't know | 54 | 7,761,326 | 1,550,665 | 3.3 | 0.6 | 2.80 |
| 99 Refuse | 13 | 1,713,947 | 632,459 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 2.11 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| How much credit/blame does the Federal Reserve Board deserve? | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CRED_BLAME_FED_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 1 Great deal of credit | 79 | 9,987,689 | 1,727,776 | 4.2 | 0.7 | 2.71 |
| 2 Some credit | 227 | 24,207,815 | 2,152,035 | 10.2 | 0.9 | 1.87 |
| 3 Not much credit | 40 | 5,622,131 | 1,422,209 | 2.4 | 0.6 | 3.23 |
| 4 No credit | 26 | 2,956,941 | 758,557 | 1.2 | 0.3 | 1.77 |
| 5 No blame | 97 | 11,239,952 | 1,582,222 | 4.7 | 0.7 | 2.06 |
| 6 Not much blame | 218 | 23,787,038 | 2,251,365 | 10.0 | 0.9 | 2.03 |
| 7 Some blame | 762 | 80,624,194 | 3,683,674 | 33.9 | 1.4 | 1.98 |
| 8 Great deal of blame | 370 | 41,967,606 | 2,941,854 | 17.7 | 1.2 | 2.06 |
| 77 Don't know | 288 | 34,176,654 | 2,793,678 | 14.4 | 1.1 | 2.19 |
| 99 Refuse | 29 | 3,087,625 | 782,002 | 1.3 | 0.3 | 1.80 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| How much credit/blame do banks and other financial institutions deserve? | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CRED_BLAME_OTH_FIN_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 1 Great deal of credit | 126 | 14,049,522 | 1,865,361 | 5.9 | 0.8 | 2.28 |
| 2 Some credit | 158 | 21,481,910 | 2,409,144 | 9.0 | 1.0 | 2.49 |
| 3 Not much credit | 63 | 5,798,663 | 1,036,563 | 2.4 | 0.4 | 1.70 |
| 4 No credit | 68 | 6,175,041 | 987,569 | 2.6 | 0.4 | 1.46 |
| 5 No blame | 60 | 7,639,919 | 1,319,971 | 3.2 | 0.6 | 2.09 |
| 6 Not much blame | 129 | 15,199,236 | 1,799,195 | 6.4 | 0.7 | 2.00 |
| 7 Some blame | 592 | 65,380,736 | 3,569,428 | 27.5 | 1.4 | 2.06 |
| 8 Great deal of blame | 852 | 91,346,905 | 3,883,305 | 38.4 | 1.5 | 2.01 |
| 77 Don't know | 70 | 8,419,370 | 1,498,277 | 3.5 | 0.6 | 2.42 |
| 99 Refuse | 18 | 2,166,343 | 680,628 | 0.9 | 0.3 | 1.93 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| | | | Std Dev of | | Std Err of | |
| MOST_CRED_BLAME_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Considering all of the above, who or which deserves the greatest credit/blame (from US_ECON) for the economic conditions currently facing the United States?* | | | | | | |
| . | 14 | 1,879,928 | 700,121 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 2.35 |
| *1 President Obama* | 542 | 57,723,279 | 3,296,999 | 24.3 | 1.3 | 2.00 |
| *2 President George W. Bush* | 456 | 53,083,039 | 3,254,508 | 22.3 | 1.3 | 2.05 |
| *3 Democrats in Congress* | 235 | 24,589,773 | 2,225,279 | 10.3 | 0.9 | 1.95 |
| *4 Republicans in Congress* | 176 | 16,017,571 | 1,594,672 | 6.7 | 0.7 | 1.54 |
| *5 Federal Reserve Board* | 90 | 12,660,064 | 2,035,843 | 5.3 | 0.8 | 2.95 |
| *6 Banks and Other Financial Institutions* | 494 | 59,138,531 | 3,525,430 | 24.9 | 1.4 | 2.15 |
| *77 Don't know* | 78 | 7,505,942 | 1,190,003 | 3.2 | 0.5 | 1.74 |
| *99 Refuse* | 51 | 5,059,518 | 996,956 | 2.1 | 0.4 | 1.80 |
| *Total* | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| Considering all of the above, who or which deserves the greatest credit/blame (from US_ECON) for the economic conditions currently facing the United States? | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| MOST_CRED_BLAME_ECO_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 1 Obama deserves the greatest credit | 157 | 18,567,199 | 2,218,601 | 7.8 | 0.9 | 2.44 |
| 2 Bush deserves the greatest credit | 96 | 10,455,640 | 1,497,765 | 4.4 | 0.6 | 1.99 |
| 3 Dems in Congress deserve the greatest credit | 20 | 2,399,346 | 687,873 | 1.0 | 0.3 | 1.79 |
| 4 Reps in Congress deserve the greatest credit | 38 | 2,106,050 | 420,028 | 0.9 | 0.2 | 0.77 |
| 5 FED deserves the greatest credit | 22 | 3,424,305 | 1,053,610 | 1.4 | 0.4 | 2.92 |
| 6 banks deserve the greatest credit | 68 | 9,176,431 | 1,502,763 | 3.9 | 0.6 | 2.25 |
| 7 Obama deserves the greatest blame | 385 | 39,156,080 | 2,598,217 | 16.5 | 1.1 | 1.80 |
| 8 Bush deserves the greatest blame | 360 | 42,627,399 | 2,976,799 | 17.9 | 1.2 | 2.07 |
| 9 Dems in Congress deserve the greatest blame | 215 | 22,190,427 | 2,131,204 | 9.3 | 0.9 | 1.96 |
| 10 Reps in Congress deserve the greatest blame | 138 | 13,911,521 | 1,548,406 | 5.9 | 0.7 | 1.64 |
| 11 FED deserves the greatest blame | 68 | 9,235,759 | 1,752,659 | 3.9 | 0.7 | 3.00 |
| 12 Banks deserve the greatest blame | 426 | 49,962,100 | 3,271,396 | 21.0 | 1.3 | 2.15 |
| 77 Don't know | 91 | 9,342,181 | 1,374,477 | 3.9 | 0.6 | 1.87 |
| 99 Refuse | 52 | 5,103,207 | 997,873 | 2.1 | 0.4 | 1.78 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| Thinking about the economy in the country as a whole, would you say that over the PAST YEAR the nation's economy has gotten BETTER, stayed ABOUT THE SAME, or gotten WORSE? | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ECON_PAST_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 1 Better | 780 | 81,515,206 | 3,702,911 | 34.3 | 1.4 | 1.99 |
| 2 Stayed about the same | 605 | 69,398,796 | 3,672,925 | 29.2 | 1.4 | 2.08 |
| 3 Gotten worse | 742 | 85,823,945 | 4,073,881 | 36.1 | 1.5 | 2.10 |
| 77 Don't know | 9 | 919,698 | 410,895 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 1.65 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| ECON_OBAMA_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 Better | 903 | 99,390,718 | 4,175,700 | 41.8 | 1.5 | 2.06 |
| 2 Stay about the same | 491 | 58,180,173 | 3,533,847 | 24.5 | 1.4 | 2.17 |
| 3 Worse | 726 | 77,529,601 | 3,634,269 | 32.6 | 1.4 | 1.99 |
| 77 Don't know | 14 | 1,838,993 | 606,509 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 1.81 |
| 99 Refuse | 2 | 718,160 | 510,678 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 3.26 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

*If Barack Obama wins the election, do you expect the economy in the country as a whole to get BETTER, stay ABOUT THE SAME, or get WORSE?*

| ECON_ROMNEY_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 Better | 649 | 67,058,675 | 3,276,456 | 28.2 | 1.3 | 1.88 |
| 2 Stay about the same | 616 | 73,364,371 | 4,003,821 | 30.9 | 1.5 | 2.21 |
| 3 Worse | 833 | 91,155,224 | 3,985,059 | 38.4 | 1.5 | 2.04 |
| 77 Don't know | 33 | 4,579,581 | 1,072,162 | 1.9 | 0.4 | 2.27 |
| 99 Refuse | 5 | 1,499,793 | 736,318 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 3.25 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

*If Mitt Romney wins the election, do you expect the economy in the country as a whole to get BETTER, stay ABOUT THE SAME, or get WORSE?*

**If Barack Obama wins the election, do you expect your OWN FAMILY'S financial situation to get BETTER, stay ABOUT THE SAME, or get WORSE?**

| FAM_OBAMA_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 Better | 536 | 60,428,637 | 3,509,551 | 25.4 | 1.4 | 2.10 |
| 2 Stay about the same | 1,030 | 117,121,413 | 4,495,460 | 49.3 | 1.6 | 2.06 |
| 3 Worse | 548 | 56,634,949 | 3,071,517 | 23.8 | 1.3 | 1.86 |
| 77 Don't know | 17 | 3,093,046 | 966,605 | 1.3 | 0.4 | 2.72 |
| 99 Refuse | 5 | 379,600 | 191,190 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.87 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

**If Mitt Romney wins the election, do you expect your OWN FAMILY'S financial situation to get BETTER, stay ABOUT THE SAME, or get WORSE?**

| FAM_ROMNEY_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 Better | 453 | 51,077,604 | 3,108,150 | 21.5 | 1.3 | 1.98 |
| 2 Stay about the same | 962 | 108,963,527 | 4,345,526 | 45.8 | 1.5 | 2.07 |
| 3 Worse | 690 | 73,032,394 | 3,702,146 | 30.7 | 1.4 | 2.05 |
| 77 Don't know | 26 | 3,732,328 | 958,180 | 1.6 | 0.4 | 2.23 |
| 99 Refuse | 5 | 851,793 | 519,713 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 2.85 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

**Do you happen to know which party has the most members in the United States House of Representatives in Washington right now, before the coming election?**

| PARTY_REP_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 Democratic Party | 386 | 46,366,718 | 3,161,713 | 19.5 | 1.3 | 2.15 |
| 2 Republican Party (Correct) | 1,172 | 115,526,832 | 3,816,812 | 48.6 | 1.5 | 2.04 |
| 77 Don't recall/ Don't Know | 575 | 75,620,934 | 4,256,792 | 31.8 | 1.5 | 2.31 |
| 99 Refused | 3 | 143,161 | 93,636 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.55 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| PARTY_SEN_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Do you happen to know which party has the most members in the United States Senate right now, before the coming election?* | | | | | | |
| 1 Democratic Party (Correct) | 1,023 | 103,830,194 | 3,926,501 | 43.7 | 1.5 | 2.01 |
| 2 Republican Party | 465 | 49,952,647 | 3,041,639 | 21.0 | 1.2 | 1.95 |
| 77 Don't recall/Don't Know | 643 | 83,677,976 | 4,301,109 | 35.2 | 1.5 | 2.22 |
| 99 Refused | 5 | 196,828 | 103,412 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.49 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| KNOW_CONG_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Knowleged of HofR and Senate composition* | | | | | | |
| . | 781 | 100,244,181 | 4,598,336 | 42.2 | 1.6 | 2.15 |
| 1 Correct | 793 | 75,048,198 | 3,304,058 | 31.6 | 1.4 | 1.85 |
| 2 One correct, one incorrect | 409 | 45,447,348 | 2,940,195 | 19.1 | 1.2 | 1.96 |
| 3 Both incorrect | 153 | 16,917,918 | 1,924,629 | 7.1 | 0.8 | 2.05 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| PRES_TARP_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Which president proposed and signed the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act, including TARP, President George W. Bush or President Obama?* | | | | | | |
| 1 George W. Bush(Correct) | 794 | 81,469,378 | 3,586,464 | 34.3 | 1.4 | 1.95 |
| 2 Barack Obama | 1,030 | 119,143,391 | 4,575,788 | 50.1 | 1.6 | 2.06 |
| 77 Don't Know | 302 | 36,174,523 | 2,854,297 | 15.2 | 1.1 | 2.17 |
| 99 Refused | 10 | 870,353 | 320,176 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 1.07 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| Which president proposed and signed the American Reconstruction and Recovery Act, President George W. Bush or President Obama? | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *PRES_STIM_I* | *Unweighted Frequency* | *Weighted Frequency* | *Std Dev of Weighted Frequency* | *Weighted Percent* | *Std Err of Weighted Percent* | *DEFF* |
| *1 George W. Bush* | 479 | 52,630,949 | 3,259,496 | 22.1 | 1.3 | 2.07 |
| *2 Barack Obama(Correct)* | 1,417 | 155,419,887 | 4,612,050 | 65.4 | 1.5 | 2.10 |
| *77 Don't Know* | 237 | 29,378,432 | 2,654,390 | 12.4 | 1.1 | 2.26 |
| *99 Refused* | 3 | 228,377 | 136,704 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.74 |
| *Total* | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| Proposed and signed TARP & The stimulus | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *KNOW_POLICY_I* | *Unweighted Frequency* | *Weighted Frequency* | *Std Dev of Weighted Frequency* | *Weighted Percent* | *Std Err of Weighted Percent* | *DEFF* |
| *.* | 449 | 54,043,355 | 3,445,924 | 22.7 | 1.3 | 2.18 |
| *1 Both correct* | 540 | 56,118,960 | 3,172,272 | 23.6 | 1.3 | 1.94 |
| *2 Both attributed to Bush* | 201 | 19,610,242 | 1,815,488 | 8.3 | 0.8 | 1.65 |
| *3 Both attributed to Obama* | 721 | 82,328,417 | 3,968,296 | 34.6 | 1.5 | 2.09 |
| *4 Both incorrect* | 225 | 25,556,672 | 2,378,754 | 10.8 | 1.0 | 2.11 |
| *Total* | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| Which president proposed and signed the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act, President Bush or President Obama? | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *PRES_MEDICARE_I* | *Unweighted Frequency* | *Weighted Frequency* | *Std Dev of Weighted Frequency* | *Weighted Percent* | *Std Err of Weighted Percent* | *DEFF* |
| *1 George W. Bush (Correct)* | 788 | 81,770,737 | 3,664,131 | 34.4 | 1.4 | 1.98 |
| *2 Barack Obama* | 947 | 107,215,787 | 4,343,443 | 45.1 | 1.5 | 2.07 |
| *77 Don't Know* | 394 | 48,256,551 | 3,274,007 | 20.3 | 1.3 | 2.19 |
| *99 Refused* | 7 | 414,569 | 171,771 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.64 |
| *Total* | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| PRES_ACA_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Which president proposed and signed the Affordable Care Act, President Bush or President Obama?* | | | | | | |
| 1 George W. Bush | 98 | 12,743,670 | 1,885,564 | 5.4 | 0.8 | 2.54 |
| 2 Barack Obama (Correct) | 1,858 | 204,740,926 | 4,738,172 | 86.1 | 1.1 | 2.31 |
| 77 Don't Know | 177 | 19,974,924 | 2,179,718 | 8.4 | 0.9 | 2.21 |
| 99 Refused | 3 | 198,125 | 124,360 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.70 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| KNOW_HEALTH_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Knowleged of Medic presc drug benefit bill/ health care reform bill* | | | | | | |
| . | 502 | 59,871,420 | 3,625,871 | 25.2 | 1.4 | 2.19 |
| 1 Correct: Bush, Obama | 709 | 71,166,595 | 3,341,680 | 29.9 | 1.4 | 1.89 |
| 2 Both to Bush | 43 | 7,392,652 | 1,595,056 | 3.1 | 0.7 | 3.10 |
| 3 Both to Obama | 840 | 94,675,031 | 4,099,248 | 39.8 | 1.5 | 2.06 |
| 4 Incorrect | 42 | 4,551,947 | 976,335 | 1.9 | 0.4 | 1.91 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| EFFORT_OBAMA_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Looking back on the last few years, do you think President Obama has made a big effort to fix the economy, some effort to fix the economy, or very little effort to fix the economy?* | | | | | | |
| 1 Big effort | 908 | 97,621,541 | 4,077,104 | 41.1 | 1.5 | 2.05 |
| 2 Some effort | 640 | 76,099,020 | 3,923,766 | 32.0 | 1.5 | 2.13 |
| 3 Very little effort | 565 | 61,131,127 | 3,327,176 | 25.7 | 1.3 | 1.97 |
| 77 Don't know | 13 | 1,168,428 | 461,909 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 1.65 |
| 99 Refuse | 10 | 1,637,529 | 718,610 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 2.84 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| ECON_POLICIES_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Would you say that overall, the economic policies of the Obama administration hurt the economy, helped the economy, or had no effect either way?* | | | | | | |
| 1 Hurt | 787 | 85,108,903 | 3,840,544 | 35.8 | 1.5 | 2.02 |
| 2 Helped | 952 | 107,323,789 | 4,350,859 | 45.2 | 1.5 | 2.07 |
| 3 Had no effect | 359 | 40,836,193 | 2,889,242 | 17.2 | 1.2 | 2.04 |
| 77 Don't know | 30 | 2,951,061 | 742,782 | 1.2 | 0.3 | 1.70 |
| 99 Refuse | 8 | 1,437,699 | 684,085 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 2.93 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| EFFORT_DEMS_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Looking back on the last few years, have the Democrats in Congress made a big effort to fix the economy, some effort to fix the economy, or very little effort to fix the economy?* | | | | | | |
| 1 Big effort | 383 | 39,526,193 | 2,719,260 | 16.6 | 1.1 | 1.91 |
| 2 Some effort | 935 | 108,952,758 | 4,514,174 | 45.8 | 1.6 | 2.08 |
| 3 Very little effort | 766 | 82,311,345 | 3,711,069 | 34.6 | 1.5 | 1.99 |
| 77 Don't know | 43 | 5,296,990 | 1,081,487 | 2.2 | 0.5 | 2.01 |
| 99 Refuse | 9 | 1,570,358 | 707,491 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 2.87 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| EFFORT_GOP_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *In the last few years, have the Republicans in Congress made a big effort to fix the economy, some effort to fix the economy, or very little effort to fix the economy?* | | | | | | |
| 1 Big effort | 151 | 16,234,739 | 1,911,845 | 6.8 | 0.8 | 2.10 |
| 2 Some effort | 760 | 90,593,405 | 4,175,065 | 38.1 | 1.5 | 2.11 |
| 3 Very little effort | 1,176 | 124,852,657 | 4,330,093 | 52.5 | 1.6 | 2.07 |
| 77 Don't know | 39 | 4,166,360 | 854,485 | 1.8 | 0.4 | 1.60 |
| 99 Refuse | 10 | 1,810,485 | 739,148 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 2.72 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| Recode of EFFORT_OBAMA & EFFORT_GOP | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| EFFORT_BOTH_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 1 Both tried | 535 | 68,611,197 | 3,967,776 | 28.9 | 1.5 | 2.27 |
| 2 Obama tried | 982 | 101,915,538 | 3,983,162 | 42.9 | 1.5 | 2.02 |
| 3 GOP tried | 365 | 37,590,493 | 2,560,860 | 15.8 | 1.1 | 1.81 |
| 4 Neither tried | 191 | 22,460,690 | 2,310,814 | 9.5 | 0.9 | 2.22 |
| 77 Don't know | 48 | 4,795,413 | 905,960 | 2.0 | 0.4 | 1.57 |
| 99 Refuse | 15 | 2,284,314 | 786,389 | 1.0 | 0.3 | 2.44 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| Would you say that in general your health is... | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| HEALTH_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 1 Excellent | 501 | 60,278,501 | 3,394,088 | 25.4 | 1.3 | 2.03 |
| 2 Very good | 655 | 75,273,984 | 3,919,044 | 31.7 | 1.5 | 2.14 |
| 3 Good | 569 | 59,199,530 | 3,387,457 | 24.9 | 1.3 | 2.04 |
| 4 Fair | 282 | 28,418,266 | 2,267,709 | 12.0 | 0.9 | 1.80 |
| 5 Poor | 121 | 13,635,819 | 1,718,589 | 5.7 | 0.7 | 2.01 |
| 77 Don't know | 4 | 272,872 | 201,196 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 1.33 |
| 99 Refuse | 4 | 578,674 | 434,812 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 2.94 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| Was there a time in the past 12 months when you needed to see a doctor but could not because of cost? | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| DOC_COST_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 1 Yes | 348 | 44,144,930 | 3,186,278 | 18.6 | 1.3 | 2.23 |
| 2 No | 1,782 | 192,695,448 | 4,724,729 | 81.1 | 1.3 | 2.23 |
| 77 Don't know | 4 | 336,427 | 185,540 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.92 |
| 99 Refuse | 2 | 480,840 | 424,142 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 3.36 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| HEALTH_INS_EMP_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Are you currently covered by the following type of health insurance or plan? 1. Employer | | | | | | |
| 0 Otherwise | 1,432 | 162,099,728 | 5,022,303 | 68.2 | 1.4 | 1.90 |
| 1 Employer | 704 | 75,557,917 | 3,394,402 | 31.8 | 1.4 | 1.90 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| HEALTH_INS_SPOUSE_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Are you currently covered by the following type of health insurance or plan? 2. Spouse's/partner's/parent's employer | | | | | | |
| 0 Otherwise | 1,835 | 199,469,921 | 4,783,063 | 83.9 | 1.2 | 2.21 |
| 1 Spouse's/partner's/parent's employer | 301 | 38,187,724 | 2,951,399 | 16.1 | 1.2 | 2.21 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| HEALTH_INS_BUY_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Are you currently covered by the following type of health insurance or plan? 3. A plan that you or someone else buys on your own | | | | | | |
| 0 Otherwise | 1,883 | 214,826,041 | 4,961,301 | 90.4 | 0.8 | 1.68 |
| 1 A plan that you or someone else buys on your own | 253 | 22,831,604 | 1,966,443 | 9.6 | 0.8 | 1.68 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| HEALTH_INS_MEDICARE_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Are you currently covered by the following type of health insurance or plan? 4. Medicare | | | | | | |
| 0 Otherwise | 1,551 | 189,961,839 | 5,099,710 | 79.9 | 1.1 | 1.59 |
| 1 Medicare | 585 | 47,695,806 | 2,561,605 | 20.1 | 1.1 | 1.59 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| HEALTH_INS_MEDICAID_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Are you currently covered by the following type of health insurance or plan? [CHECK ALL THAT APPLY] 5. Medicaid/Medi-Cal or Medical Assistance* | | | | | | |
| 0 Otherwise | 1,977 | 219,175,119 | 4,789,903 | 92.2 | 0.9 | 2.26 |
| 1 Medicaid/Medi-Cal or Medical Assistance | 159 | 18,482,526 | 2,125,050 | 7.8 | 0.9 | 2.26 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| HEALTH_INS_MIL_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Are you currently covered by the following type of health insurance or plan? 6. The military, CHAMPUS, TRICARE, or the VA [or CHAMP-VA]* | | | | | | |
| 0 Otherwise | 1,996 | 225,050,546 | 4,878,334 | 94.7 | 0.7 | 1.82 |
| 1 The military, CHAMPUS, TRICARE, or the VA [or CHAMP-VA] | 140 | 12,607,099 | 1,562,724 | 5.3 | 0.7 | 1.82 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| HEALTH_INS_OTHER_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Are you currently covered by the following type of health insurance or plan? 7. Some other source* | | | | | | |
| 0 Otherwise | 1,984 | 219,020,491 | 4,717,532 | 92.2 | 1.0 | 2.67 |
| 1 Some other source | 152 | 18,637,154 | 2,336,311 | 7.8 | 1.0 | 2.67 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| HEALTH_INS_NONE_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Are you currently covered by the following type of health insurance or plan? 8. None-no health insurance* | | | | | | |
| 0 Otherwise | 1,913 | 203,884,577 | 4,646,895 | 85.8 | 1.2 | 2.50 |
| 1 None/no health insurance | 223 | 33,773,068 | 3,017,596 | 14.2 | 1.2 | 2.50 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| HEALTH_INS_DK_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Are you currently covered by the following type of health insurance or plan?  77. DONT KNOW* | | | | | | |
| 0 Otherwise | 2,127 | 235,842,384 | 4,756,958 | 99.2 | 0.4 | 4.66 |
| 1 Don't know | 9 | 1,815,261 | 971,633 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 4.66 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| HEALTH_INS_REF_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Are you currently covered by the following type of health insurance or plan? 99. Refused* | | | | | | |
| 0 Otherwise | 2,125 | 235,706,166 | 4,791,449 | 99.2 | 0.3 | 3.04 |
| 1 Refuse | 11 | 1,951,479 | 812,017 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 3.04 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| HEALTH_DENIED_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Have you ever applied for health insurance but been denied because of a pre-existing condition?* | | | | | | |
| 1 Yes, I've been denied because of a pre-existing condition | 167 | 17,513,886 | 1,890,565 | 7.4 | 0.8 | 1.93 |
| 2 No, I've never been denied | 1,543 | 165,446,964 | 4,531,435 | 69.6 | 1.5 | 2.21 |
| 3 No, I've never tried to get health insurance | 414 | 52,851,400 | 3,595,469 | 22.2 | 1.4 | 2.35 |
| 77 Don't know | 9 | 1,364,971 | 525,794 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 1.83 |
| 99 Refuse | 3 | 480,425 | 423,347 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 3.35 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| ACA_2010_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
*Now we'd like to ask you about the 2010 Affordable Care Act, also known as the health care reform bill. Thinking back to 2010, did you favor or oppose passage of the Affordable Care Act of 2010?*

| ACA_2010_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 Favor | 1,022 | 111,369,761 | 4,192,553 | 46.9 | 1.5 | 2.04 |
| 2 Oppose | 813 | 89,057,502 | 3,986,811 | 37.5 | 1.5 | 2.05 |
| Not sure | 117 | 16,202,448 | 2,196,854 | 6.8 | 0.9 | 2.70 |
| 77 Don't know | 151 | 17,024,901 | 1,884,523 | 7.2 | 0.8 | 1.96 |
| 99 Refuse | 33 | 4,003,033 | 944,106 | 1.7 | 0.4 | 2.02 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

*As of today, do you favor or oppose repeal of the Act?*

| ACA_REPEAL_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 Favor | 938 | 104,949,371 | 4,417,172 | 44.2 | 1.6 | 2.09 |
| 2 Oppose | 932 | 101,861,314 | 4,012,137 | 42.9 | 1.5 | 2.03 |
| Not sure | 94 | 10,127,590 | 1,324,803 | 4.3 | 0.6 | 1.62 |
| 77 Don't know | 143 | 17,312,280 | 2,019,320 | 7.3 | 0.8 | 2.19 |
| 99 Refuse | 29 | 3,407,090 | 920,441 | 1.4 | 0.4 | 2.25 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

*Do you think the Affordable Care Act, if fully implemented, will increase or decrease the proportion of Americans who have health care coverage, or have no effect?*

| ACA_COVERAGE_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 Increase | 1,232 | 134,407,714 | 4,327,217 | 56.6 | 1.6 | 2.09 |
| 2 Decrease | 295 | 33,798,496 | 2,797,600 | 14.2 | 1.1 | 2.22 |
| No effect | 401 | 45,462,550 | 3,278,160 | 19.1 | 1.3 | 2.28 |
| 77 Don't know | 190 | 22,071,355 | 2,129,449 | 9.3 | 0.9 | 1.97 |
| 99 Refuse | 18 | 1,917,531 | 650,398 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 1.99 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| ACA_COST_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Do you think the Affordable Care Act, if fully implemented, will increase or decrease the cost of health care in the United States, or have no effect?* | | | | | | |
| 1 Increase | 1,080 | 118,926,137 | 4,356,062 | 50.0 | 1.6 | 2.06 |
| 2 Decrease | 545 | 58,743,225 | 3,159,048 | 24.7 | 1.3 | 1.90 |
| No effect | 364 | 43,912,860 | 3,315,459 | 18.5 | 1.3 | 2.37 |
| 77 Don't know | 139 | 14,914,845 | 1,766,421 | 6.3 | 0.7 | 1.96 |
| 99 Refuse | 8 | 1,160,578 | 585,490 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 2.66 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| ACA_ACCESS_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Would you personally have better or worse access to health care under this law than you currently do, or would it make no difference?* | | | | | | |
| 1 Better | 303 | 36,079,744 | 2,851,190 | 15.2 | 1.1 | 2.18 |
| 2 Worse | 442 | 45,995,925 | 2,940,136 | 19.4 | 1.2 | 1.95 |
| No difference | 1,260 | 139,673,870 | 4,576,796 | 58.8 | 1.5 | 2.06 |
| 77 Don't know | 123 | 14,798,641 | 1,869,382 | 6.2 | 0.8 | 2.19 |
| 99 Refuse | 8 | 1,109,465 | 593,639 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 2.85 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| ACA_PAY_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Would you have to pay more or less for health care than you currently do under this law, or would it make no difference?* | | | | | | |
| 1 More | 762 | 85,170,445 | 3,966,964 | 35.8 | 1.5 | 2.06 |
| 2 Less | 180 | 20,533,578 | 2,156,818 | 8.6 | 0.9 | 2.13 |
| No difference | 987 | 110,133,939 | 4,311,287 | 46.3 | 1.5 | 2.05 |
| 77 Don't know | 199 | 20,940,142 | 1,963,618 | 8.8 | 0.8 | 1.79 |
| 99 Refuse | 8 | 879,542 | 462,904 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 2.19 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| *Do you support or oppose the proposal to allow workers currently under 55 to have the option of investing a portion of their social security taxes?* | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *SOC_SEC_I* | *Unweighted Frequency* | *Weighted Frequency* | *Std Dev of Weighted Frequency* | *Weighted Percent* | *Std Err of Weighted Percent* | *DEFF* |
| *1 Support* | 757 | 90,000,050 | 4,130,775 | 37.9 | 1.5 | 2.09 |
| *2 Oposse* | 1,180 | 127,137,925 | 4,385,950 | 53.5 | 1.6 | 2.07 |
| *77 Don't know* | 156 | 16,557,771 | 1,938,892 | 7.0 | 0.8 | 2.11 |
| *99 Refuse* | 43 | 3,961,899 | 787,978 | 1.7 | 0.3 | 1.44 |
| *Total* | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| *[INTERVIEWER: CODE GENDER IF KNOWN. IF NOT ASK THE FOLLOWING QUESTION] Are you male or female?* | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *GENDER_I* | *Unweighted Frequency* | *Weighted Frequency* | *Std Dev of Weighted Frequency* | *Weighted Percent* | *Std Err of Weighted Percent* | *DEFF* |
| *1 Male* | 1,004 | 115,461,973 | 4,298,554 | 48.6 | 1.5 | 2.04 |
| *2 Female* | 1,131 | 122,171,905 | 4,477,335 | 51.4 | 1.5 | 2.04 |
| *77 Don't know* | 1 | 23,767 | 23,767 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.21 |
| *Total* | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| What is the highest grade or level of school that you have completed? | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| SCHOOLING_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 1 8th grade or less | 31 | 3,962,762 | 871,382 | 1.7 | 0.4 | 1.75 |
| 2 9th-12th grade no diploma | 140 | 23,208,393 | 2,680,958 | 9.8 | 1.1 | 2.81 |
| 3 High school grad or GED completed | 384 | 70,234,189 | 4,649,348 | 29.6 | 1.6 | 2.67 |
| 4 Completed vocational, trade, or business school | 43 | 5,542,498 | 1,091,030 | 2.3 | 0.5 | 1.96 |
| 5 Some college credit but no degree | 447 | 37,842,508 | 2,279,559 | 15.9 | 1.0 | 1.54 |
| 6 Associate degree (AA, AS) | 191 | 16,516,513 | 1,636,162 | 6.9 | 0.7 | 1.58 |
| 7 Bachelor's degree (BA, BS, AB) | 506 | 46,869,837 | 2,427,472 | 19.7 | 1.1 | 1.54 |
| 8 Master's degree (MA, MS, MSW, MBA) | 277 | 24,387,418 | 1,777,382 | 10.3 | 0.8 | 1.38 |
| 9 Doctorate (PHD, EDD)or prof degree (MD, DDS, DVM, JD) | 112 | 8,183,155 | 923,616 | 3.4 | 0.4 | 1.01 |
| 77 Don't know | 1 | 73,153 | 73,153 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.66 |
| 99 Refused | 4 | 837,220 | 533,176 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 3.05 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| Are you married, widowed, divorced, separated, or have you never been married? | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| MAR_STATUS_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 1 Married | 1,117 | 119,546,809 | 4,108,618 | 50.3 | 1.5 | 2.04 |
| 2 Widowed | 224 | 17,211,095 | 1,512,149 | 7.2 | 0.6 | 1.33 |
| 3 Divorced | 309 | 26,024,565 | 2,046,449 | 11.0 | 0.9 | 1.63 |
| 4 Separated | 42 | 3,885,297 | 751,585 | 1.6 | 0.3 | 1.34 |
| 5 Never married | 439 | 70,162,717 | 4,305,409 | 29.5 | 1.5 | 2.42 |
| 77 Don't know | 2 | 253,590 | 220,380 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 1.72 |
| 99 Refused | 3 | 573,572 | 436,706 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 2.99 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| Ethnicity (white,Hispanic,other) | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| RACE_ETHNICITY_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 1 Non-Hispanic white only | 1,514 | 154,721,747 | 4,183,785 | 65.1 | 1.6 | 2.30 |
| 2 Hispanic only | 145 | 33,429,590 | 3,655,360 | 14.1 | 1.4 | 3.48 |
| 3 Other | 451 | 46,118,187 | 2,796,130 | 19.4 | 1.2 | 1.83 |
| 77 Don't Know | 2 | 247,656 | 186,576 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 1.26 |
| 99 Refused | 24 | 3,140,464 | 876,461 | 1.3 | 0.4 | 2.21 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| Age (categories) | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| AGE_CAT_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 1 18-29 yrs | 283 | 50,952,904 | 3,834,427 | 21.4 | 1.4 | 2.61 |
| 2 30-54 yrs | 729 | 96,859,191 | 4,308,807 | 40.8 | 1.5 | 2.10 |
| 3 55-64 yrs | 486 | 41,475,923 | 2,421,951 | 17.5 | 1.0 | 1.59 |
| 4 65+ yrs | 571 | 40,472,910 | 2,038,025 | 17.0 | 0.9 | 1.28 |
| 77 Don't Know | 67 | 7,896,717 | 1,371,248 | 3.3 | 0.6 | 2.18 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| NUM_HOUSEHOLD_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 494 | 41,805,529 | 2,442,072 | 17.6 | 1.0 | 1.61 |
| 2 | 757 | 73,167,672 | 3,197,136 | 30.8 | 1.3 | 1.81 |
| 3 | 337 | 44,108,464 | 3,100,387 | 18.6 | 1.2 | 2.15 |
| 4 | 286 | 41,511,124 | 3,275,920 | 17.5 | 1.3 | 2.43 |
| 5 | 135 | 19,805,971 | 2,545,840 | 8.3 | 1.0 | 2.95 |
| 6 | 51 | 7,342,687 | 1,675,421 | 3.1 | 0.7 | 3.42 |
| 7 | 25 | 3,985,183 | 986,359 | 1.7 | 0.4 | 2.21 |
| 8 | 22 | 2,769,378 | 825,179 | 1.2 | 0.3 | 2.22 |
| 9 | 2 | 212,208 | 168,379 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 1.20 |
| 10 | 4 | 485,456 | 254,787 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 1.21 |
| 12 | 2 | 459,018 | 421,550 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 3.48 |
| 13 | 1 | 163,026 | 163,026 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 1.47 |
| 99 Don't Know | 20 | 1,841,929 | 638,068 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 2.00 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

*Now some questions about your entire household. Including the adults and all the children, how many people live in this household?*

| How many of these are adults 18 years of age or older? | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| AGE_HOUSEHOLD_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 1 | 596 | 52,901,890 | 2,719,487 | 22.3 | 1.2 | 1.68 |
| 2 | 1,078 | 113,448,157 | 4,008,313 | 47.7 | 1.5 | 2.04 |
| 3 | 294 | 47,154,943 | 3,647,628 | 19.8 | 1.4 | 2.59 |
| 4 | 120 | 18,434,931 | 2,513,245 | 7.8 | 1.0 | 3.07 |
| 5 | 27 | 3,190,520 | 807,730 | 1.3 | 0.3 | 1.86 |
| 6 | 7 | 641,686 | 265,745 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.99 |
| 7 | 5 | 745,773 | 362,369 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 1.59 |
| 9 | 1 | 52,089 | 52,089 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.47 |
| 12 | 1 | 39,304 | 39,304 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.35 |
| 99 Don't Know | 7 | 1,048,352 | 580,735 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 2.89 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| Can you tell me the letter of the category that is your best estimate of the combined household income during 2011 for all members of the household? | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| INC_HH_RANGE_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 1 $1,000-5,000 | 75 | 12,122,245 | 1,869,499 | 5.1 | 0.8 | 2.62 |
| 2 $5,001-10,000 | 83 | 11,304,182 | 1,685,426 | 4.8 | 0.7 | 2.30 |
| 3 $10,001-25,000 | 299 | 32,971,488 | 2,744,663 | 13.9 | 1.1 | 2.18 |
| 4 $25,001-50,000 | 478 | 55,486,663 | 3,555,732 | 23.3 | 1.4 | 2.24 |
| 5 $50,001-100,000 | 591 | 63,411,941 | 3,325,954 | 26.7 | 1.3 | 1.94 |
| 6 $100,001-250,000 | 330 | 32,233,970 | 2,128,936 | 13.6 | 0.9 | 1.53 |
| 7 More than $250,000 | 68 | 6,875,184 | 1,092,747 | 2.9 | 0.5 | 1.61 |
| 77 DK | 47 | 5,753,899 | 1,268,153 | 2.4 | 0.5 | 2.53 |
| 99 REF | 165 | 17,498,073 | 1,996,859 | 7.4 | 0.8 | 2.13 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| HOME_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Which of the following best describes your house or apartment?* | | | | | | |
| 1 Owned or being bought | 1,505 | 156,875,042 | 4,428,022 | 66.0 | 1.5 | 2.14 |
| 2 Rented | 544 | 69,063,738 | 3,878,605 | 29.1 | 1.5 | 2.18 |
| 3 Other arrangement | 63 | 8,054,372 | 1,385,056 | 3.4 | 0.6 | 2.18 |
| 77 Don't Know | 5 | 508,260 | 310,370 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 1.70 |
| 99 Refused | 19 | 3,156,233 | 986,900 | 1.3 | 0.4 | 2.78 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| INTER_LL_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *During the past 12 months, has your household been without telephone service for 1 week or more? Please do not include cellular phones or interruptions of phone service due to weather or natural disasters.* | | | | | | |
| . | 1,144 | 137,381,429 | 3,476,864 | 57.8 | 1.0 | 0.92 |
| 1 Yes | 44 | 5,312,234 | 1,156,799 | 2.2 | 0.5 | 2.28 |
| 2 No | 947 | 94,951,205 | 3,332,533 | 40.0 | 1.1 | 1.02 |
| 77 Don't know | 1 | 12,777 | 12,777 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.11 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| NUM_PERS_CELL_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Next, I have a question about cell phones. In total, how many working cell phones do YOU have available for your personal use?* | | | | | | |
| . | 337 | 35,613,555 | 2,625,763 | 15.0 | 1.0 | 1.85 |
| 1 One | 1,224 | 150,018,357 | 4,599,122 | 63.1 | 1.4 | 1.75 |
| 2 Two | 359 | 27,314,630 | 1,840,578 | 11.5 | 0.8 | 1.36 |
| 3 Three or more | 109 | 8,693,905 | 1,400,909 | 3.7 | 0.6 | 2.07 |
| 4 None | 98 | 14,741,550 | 1,973,014 | 6.2 | 0.8 | 2.40 |
| 77 Don't Know | 1 | 28,782 | 28,782 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.26 |
| 99 Refused | 8 | 1,246,867 | 661,809 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 3.16 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| Number of home phones in household | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| LANDLINES_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 0 | 554 | 73,963,980 | 3,422,709 | 31.1 | 1.3 | 1.69 |
| 1 One | 1,492 | 156,909,938 | 4,550,179 | 66.0 | 1.3 | 1.67 |
| 2 Two | 69 | 4,553,021 | 816,709 | 1.9 | 0.3 | 1.35 |
| 3 Three or more | 10 | 479,450 | 204,994 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.79 |
| 77 Don't Know | 1 | 81,924 | 81,924 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.74 |
| 99 Refused | 10 | 1,669,332 | 697,035 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 2.62 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| Citizenship: US or other | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CITIZEN_R_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| US citizen | 2,070 | 225,065,801 | 4,683,201 | 94.7 | 0.9 | 3.16 |
| Non-US citizen | 57 | 11,039,359 | 2,000,756 | 4.6 | 0.8 | 3.26 |
| 99 Refused | 9 | 1,552,485 | 670,168 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 2.60 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as a Republican, Democrat, Independent, or what? | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| PARTY_AFFIL_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| . | 9 | 1,552,485 | 670,168 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 2.60 |
| 1 Republican | 533 | 56,400,695 | 3,234,097 | 23.7 | 1.3 | 1.98 |
| 2 Democrat | 860 | 94,559,873 | 4,095,237 | 39.8 | 1.5 | 2.06 |
| 3 Independent | 632 | 71,784,902 | 3,710,899 | 30.2 | 1.4 | 2.07 |
| 4 Other | 74 | 9,266,938 | 1,536,876 | 3.9 | 0.6 | 2.33 |
| 77 Don't Know | 21 | 3,247,933 | 846,305 | 1.4 | 0.4 | 2.00 |
| 99 Refused | 7 | 844,818 | 524,590 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 2.93 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| PARTY_AFFIL_R_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Recoded 4-category party aff (Rep,Dem,Ind,Other/DK/RF)** | | | | | | |
| 1 Republican | 533 | 56,400,695 | 3,234,097 | 23.7 | 1.3 | 1.98 |
| 2 Democrat | 860 | 94,559,873 | 4,095,237 | 39.8 | 1.5 | 2.06 |
| 3 Independent | 632 | 71,784,902 | 3,710,899 | 30.2 | 1.4 | 2.07 |
| 4 Other/DK/RF | 111 | 14,912,175 | 1,929,882 | 6.3 | 0.8 | 2.30 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| PARTY_STRENGTH_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Would you call yourself a strong (PARTY_AFFIL) or not so strong (PARTY_AFFIL)?** | | | | | | |
| . | 744 | 86,730,620 | 4,030,791 | 36.5 | 1.5 | 2.08 |
| 1 Strong | 965 | 98,139,599 | 3,869,196 | 41.3 | 1.5 | 1.99 |
| 2 Not very strong | 418 | 52,236,001 | 3,480,546 | 22.0 | 1.3 | 2.27 |
| 77 Don't Know | 5 | 200,627 | 111,167 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.56 |
| 99 Refused | 4 | 350,799 | 207,217 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 1.10 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| PARTY_CLOSER_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican or Democratic Party? (universe: R is not republican/democrat)** | | | | | | |
| . | 1,504 | 165,872,743 | 4,746,431 | 69.8 | 1.4 | 2.07 |
| 1 Closer to Republican Party | 259 | 27,670,660 | 2,443,448 | 11.6 | 1.0 | 2.07 |
| 2 Closer to Democratic Party | 255 | 29,835,294 | 2,517,284 | 12.6 | 1.0 | 2.06 |
| 3 Neither (volunteered) | 101 | 12,576,050 | 1,708,212 | 5.3 | 0.7 | 2.14 |
| 77 Don't Know | 12 | 1,455,087 | 625,565 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 2.42 |
| 99 Refused | 5 | 247,811 | 138,227 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.69 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| PARTY_ID_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Party ID (Recode of PARTY_AFFIL, PARTY_STRENGTH & PARTY_CLOSER)* | | | | | | |
| . | 138 | 17,200,041 | 2,037,269 | 7.2 | 0.8 | 2.24 |
| *1 Strong Democrat* | 616 | 64,020,765 | 3,405,838 | 26.9 | 1.4 | 1.98 |
| *2 Not very strong Democrat* | 238 | 30,019,454 | 2,707,836 | 12.6 | 1.1 | 2.31 |
| *3 Independent Democrat* | 255 | 29,835,294 | 2,517,284 | 12.6 | 1.0 | 2.06 |
| *4 Pure independent* | 101 | 12,576,050 | 1,708,212 | 5.3 | 0.7 | 2.14 |
| *5 Independent republican* | 259 | 27,670,660 | 2,443,448 | 11.6 | 1.0 | 2.07 |
| *6 Not very strong republican* | 180 | 22,216,546 | 2,353,195 | 9.3 | 1.0 | 2.32 |
| *7 Strong republican* | 349 | 34,118,835 | 2,399,470 | 14.4 | 1.0 | 1.75 |
| *Total* | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| PARTY_ID1_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Recoded 5-category Party ID* | | | | | | |
| . | 138 | 17,200,041 | 2,037,269 | 7.2 | 0.8 | 2.24 |
| *1 Strong Democrat* | 616 | 64,020,765 | 3,405,838 | 26.9 | 1.4 | 1.98 |
| *2 Weak or indep democrat* | 493 | 59,854,748 | 3,558,242 | 25.2 | 1.4 | 2.16 |
| *3 Pure independent* | 101 | 12,576,050 | 1,708,212 | 5.3 | 0.7 | 2.14 |
| *4 Weak or indep republican* | 439 | 49,887,206 | 3,290,250 | 21.0 | 1.3 | 2.16 |
| *5 Strong republican* | 349 | 34,118,835 | 2,399,470 | 14.4 | 1.0 | 1.75 |
| *Total* | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| Recoded 3-category party ID (Dem/Ind/Rep) | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| PARTY_ID2_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| . | 138 | 17,200,041 | 2,037,269 | 7.2 | 0.8 | 2.24 |
| 1 Democrat | 1,109 | 123,875,512 | 4,474,153 | 52.1 | 1.6 | 2.06 |
| 2 Independent | 101 | 12,576,050 | 1,708,212 | 5.3 | 0.7 | 2.14 |
| 3 Republican | 788 | 84,006,041 | 3,835,764 | 35.3 | 1.5 | 2.03 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| How would you describe your current employment status? | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| WORK_SIT_R_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 1 Employed | 1,065 | 126,697,949 | 4,396,608 | 53.3 | 1.5 | 2.03 |
| 2 Not employed | 171 | 25,131,761 | 2,637,387 | 10.6 | 1.1 | 2.55 |
| 3 Not in labor force | 823 | 77,173,785 | 3,611,778 | 32.5 | 1.4 | 1.93 |
| 4 Oth/DK/Ref | 62 | 6,104,831 | 1,043,541 | 2.6 | 0.4 | 1.64 |
| 77 Don't Know | 10 | 1,586,028 | 670,955 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 2.56 |
| 99 Refused | 5 | 963,291 | 577,308 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 3.11 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| TYPE_EMP_R_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| . | 1,072 | 111,057,995 | 4,351,158 | 46.7 | 1.5 | 2.03 |
| 1 Government [Not military] | 191 | 23,742,504 | 2,322,277 | 10.0 | 1.0 | 2.15 |
| 2 Private for-profit company | 553 | 68,459,323 | 3,617,952 | 28.8 | 1.4 | 2.05 |
| 3 Non-profit organization [Including tax-exempt and charitable] | 115 | 12,065,757 | 1,469,418 | 5.1 | 0.6 | 1.69 |
| 4 Other | 188 | 19,705,867 | 1,997,987 | 8.3 | 0.8 | 1.93 |
| 77 Don't Know | 13 | 2,086,307 | 757,361 | 0.9 | 0.3 | 2.48 |
| 99 Refused | 4 | 539,892 | 289,532 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 1.40 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

Table title: *What type of employer do you work for?*

| WISH_HOURS_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| . | 1,072 | 111,057,995 | 4,351,158 | 46.7 | 1.5 | 2.03 |
| 1 More hours | 149 | 20,402,803 | 2,264,854 | 8.6 | 0.9 | 2.33 |
| 2 Less hours | 178 | 19,681,347 | 1,917,557 | 8.3 | 0.8 | 1.81 |
| 3 About right number of hours | 736 | 86,487,302 | 3,876,999 | 36.4 | 1.5 | 2.03 |
| 77 Don't Know | 1 | 28,198 | 28,198 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.25 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

Table title: *Do you wish you were working more hours, fewer hours, or is the number of hours you're working about right?*

| NUM_EMP_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| . | 1,072 | 111,057,995 | 4,351,158 | 46.7 | 1.5 | 2.03 |
| 1 Under 50 employees | 362 | 43,228,268 | 3,094,079 | 18.2 | 1.2 | 2.17 |
| 2 Between 50 and 5,000 employees | 408 | 50,087,298 | 3,120,577 | 21.1 | 1.3 | 2.02 |
| 3 More than 5,000 employees | 277 | 31,188,855 | 2,396,804 | 13.1 | 1.0 | 1.85 |
| 77 Don't Know | 13 | 1,892,783 | 693,730 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 2.29 |
| 99 Refused | 4 | 202,445 | 126,452 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.71 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

*As far as you know, about how many employees does your employer have working at all of its locations?*

| EVER_MIL_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| . | 11 | 1,684,328 | 677,963 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 2.46 |
| 1 Yes | 333 | 30,717,730 | 2,242,295 | 12.9 | 0.9 | 1.69 |
| 2 No | 1,791 | 204,771,747 | 4,998,272 | 86.2 | 1.0 | 1.76 |
| 99 Refuse | 1 | 483,841 | 483,841 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 4.34 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

*Have you ever served on active military duty?*

| DEBATE_I | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 0 Interview before 1st debate | 794 | 90,152,835 | 3,964,295 | 37.9 | 1.5 | 2.04 |
| 1 Interview after 1st debate | 1,342 | 147,504,810 | 4,704,689 | 62.1 | 1.5 | 2.04 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

*Interview timing relative to first debate*

| Battleground States (binary variable) | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| STATE_TYPE | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| . Undetermined | 381 | 41,091,171 | 2,695,814 | 17.3 | 1.1 | 1.87 |
| 1 Battleground state (FL,OH,CO,IA,MI,NV,NC,VA,WI) | 781 | 52,997,139 | 3,156,082 | 22.3 | 1.2 | 1.84 |
| 2 Non-battleground state | 974 | 143,569,335 | 4,622,222 | 60.4 | 1.5 | 1.94 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

| Contact type | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| TYPE | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| Cell | 1,141 | 136,707,060 | 3,436,839 | 57.5 | 1.0 | 0.91 |
| RDD | 995 | 100,950,585 | 3,356,906 | 42.5 | 1.0 | 0.91 |
| Total | 2,136 | 237,657,645 | 4,804,235 | 100.0 | | |

The FREQ Procedure

| Strata | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| STRATA | Frequency | Percent | Cumulative Frequency | Cumulative Percent |
| 1 Florida | 289 | 13.5 | 289 | 13.5 |
| 2 Ohio | 290 | 13.6 | 579 | 27.1 |
| 3 Rest of the country | 1,557 | 72.9 | 2,136 | 100.0 |

| VSTRATUM (STRATA by TYPE) | | | | |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| VSTRATUM | Frequency | Percent | Cumulative Frequency | Cumulative Percent |
| 1 Stratum 1 | 163 | 7.6 | 163 | 7.6 |
| 2 Stratum 2 | 128 | 6.0 | 291 | 13.6 |
| 3 Stratum 3 | 704 | 33.0 | 995 | 46.6 |
| 4 Stratum 4 | 126 | 5.9 | 1,121 | 52.5 |
| 5 Stratum 5 | 162 | 7.6 | 1,283 | 60.1 |
| 6 Stratum 6 | 853 | 39.9 | 2,136 | 100.0 |

The MEANS Procedure

| Analysis Variable : WAVE1_WT Wave 1 Weights | | | | |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| N | Mean | Std Dev | Min | Max |
| 2136 | 111262.9 | 114421.54 | 4246.41 | 848354.66 |

# Wave II

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<tr><td colspan="7"><em>Which one of the following best describes what you did in the elections that were held November 6th?</em></td></tr>
<tr><td><em>VOTE_II</em></td><td><em>Unweighted Frequency</em></td><td><em>Weighted Frequency</em></td><td><em>Std Dev of Weighted Frequency</em></td><td><em>Weighted Percent</em></td><td><em>Std Err of Weighted Percent</em></td><td><em>DEFF</em></td></tr>
<tr><td><em>1 Did not vote in the elections</em></td><td>115</td><td>31,008,674</td><td>4,219,196</td><td>13.0</td><td>1.7</td><td>2.80</td></tr>
<tr><td><em>2 Voted in person, voted by mail, or voted in some other way</em></td><td>1,005</td><td>204,225,745</td><td>7,394,975</td><td>85.9</td><td>1.8</td><td>2.87</td></tr>
<tr><td><em>3 Not completely sure whether voted or not</em></td><td>4</td><td>2,388,092</td><td>1,471,912</td><td>1.0</td><td>0.6</td><td>4.29</td></tr>
<tr><td><em>99 Refused</em></td><td>1</td><td>35,134</td><td>35,134</td><td>0.0</td><td>0.0</td><td>0.17</td></tr>
<tr><td><em>Total</em></td><td>1,125</td><td>237,657,645</td><td>7,729,433</td><td>100.0</td><td></td><td></td></tr>
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<tr><td colspan="7"><em>If you had to guess, would you say that you probably did vote in the elections, or probably did not vote in the elections?</em></td></tr>
<tr><td><em>VOTE_UNSURE_II</em></td><td><em>Unweighted Frequency</em></td><td><em>Weighted Frequency</em></td><td><em>Std Dev of Weighted Frequency</em></td><td><em>Weighted Percent</em></td><td><em>Std Err of Weighted Percent</em></td><td><em>DEFF</em></td></tr>
<tr><td><em>.</em></td><td>1,120</td><td>235,234,419</td><td>7,677,706</td><td>99.0</td><td>0.6</td><td>4.23</td></tr>
<tr><td><em>1 Probably did vote</em></td><td>1</td><td>35,134</td><td>35,134</td><td>0.0</td><td>0.0</td><td>0.17</td></tr>
<tr><td><em>2 Probably did not</em></td><td>4</td><td>2,388,092</td><td>1,471,912</td><td>1.0</td><td>0.6</td><td>4.29</td></tr>
<tr><td><em>Total</em></td><td>1,125</td><td>237,657,645</td><td>7,729,433</td><td>100.0</td><td></td><td></td></tr>
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<tr><td colspan="7"><em>Who did you vote for, Barack Obama, Mitt Romney, or somebody else?</em></td></tr>
<tr><td><em>VOTE_YES_II</em></td><td><em>Unweighted Frequency</em></td><td><em>Weighted Frequency</em></td><td><em>Std Dev of Weighted Frequency</em></td><td><em>Weighted Percent</em></td><td><em>Std Err of Weighted Percent</em></td><td><em>DEFF</em></td></tr>
<tr><td><em>.</em></td><td>119</td><td>33,396,765</td><td>4,439,423</td><td>14.1</td><td>1.8</td><td>2.87</td></tr>
<tr><td><em>1 Barack Obama</em></td><td>562</td><td>118,268,329</td><td>6,951,513</td><td>49.8</td><td>2.3</td><td>2.38</td></tr>
<tr><td><em>2 Mitt Romney</em></td><td>399</td><td>72,953,684</td><td>4,652,488</td><td>30.7</td><td>2.0</td><td>2.03</td></tr>
<tr><td><em>3 Somebody else</em></td><td>30</td><td>10,069,893</td><td>2,650,602</td><td>4.2</td><td>1.1</td><td>3.31</td></tr>
<tr><td><em>77 Don't know</em></td><td>1</td><td>99,252</td><td>99,252</td><td>0.0</td><td>0.0</td><td>0.47</td></tr>
<tr><td><em>99 Refuse</em></td><td>14</td><td>2,869,722</td><td>1,140,561</td><td>1.2</td><td>0.5</td><td>2.16</td></tr>
<tr><td><em>Total</em></td><td>1,125</td><td>237,657,645</td><td>7,729,433</td><td>100.0</td><td></td><td></td></tr>
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| VOTE_NO_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Even if you did not vote, who did you prefer, Barack Obama, Mitt Romney, or somebody else?* | | | | | | |
| . | 1,006 | 204,260,880 | 7,393,948 | 85.9 | 1.8 | 2.87 |
| 1 Barack Obama | 73 | 20,677,522 | 3,553,368 | 8.7 | 1.4 | 2.94 |
| 2 Mitt Romney | 26 | 8,790,034 | 2,567,407 | 3.7 | 1.1 | 3.55 |
| 3 Somebody else | 17 | 3,210,828 | 1,068,584 | 1.4 | 0.4 | 1.70 |
| 77 Don't know | 3 | 718,382 | 450,481 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 1.34 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| IDEA_GOV_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *First, what about government aid to banks and major financial institutions that were in danger of failing? (READ IF NECESSARY: Do you think it was a good idea or a bad idea in general?)* | | | | | | |
| 1 Good idea | 588 | 121,685,880 | 6,848,987 | 51.2 | 2.3 | 2.39 |
| 2 Bad idea | 479 | 104,370,296 | 6,323,475 | 43.9 | 2.3 | 2.38 |
| 77 Don't know | 45 | 10,082,637 | 2,277,307 | 4.2 | 0.9 | 2.48 |
| 99 Refuse | 13 | 1,518,832 | 509,097 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.82 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| IDEA_LOANS_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *What about government loans to U.S. automakers that were in danger of going bankrupt?  (READ IF NECESSARY: Do you think it was a good idea or a bad idea in general?)* | | | | | | |
| 1 Good idea | 721 | 147,060,814 | 6,791,542 | 61.9 | 2.3 | 2.49 |
| 2 Bad idea | 380 | 86,067,066 | 6,393,353 | 36.2 | 2.3 | 2.52 |
| 77 Don't know | 19 | 3,628,362 | 1,325,247 | 1.5 | 0.6 | 2.31 |
| 99 Refuse | 5 | 901,403 | 473,227 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 1.18 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| IDEA_AID_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 Good idea | 876 | 187,597,731 | 7,831,351 | 78.9 | 1.8 | 2.10 |
| 2 Bad idea | 216 | 42,530,515 | 3,766,429 | 17.9 | 1.6 | 1.93 |
| 77 Don't know | 27 | 6,757,421 | 2,201,308 | 2.8 | 0.9 | 3.39 |
| 99 Refuse | 6 | 771,977 | 356,214 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.79 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

*Government aid to state and local governments so that they could put people to work? (READ IF NECESSARY: Do you think it was a good idea or a bad idea in general?)*

| SINCERE_BO_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 Did make sincere effort | 681 | 152,480,199 | 7,773,805 | 64.2 | 2.1 | 2.17 |
| 2 Didn't make sincere effort | 417 | 79,310,011 | 5,055,576 | 33.4 | 2.1 | 2.15 |
| 77 Don't Know | 23 | 5,205,723 | 1,463,307 | 2.2 | 0.6 | 1.98 |
| 99 Refused | 4 | 661,712 | 360,250 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.93 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

*Do you think Barack Obama did or did not make a sincere effort to work with the Republicans in Congress to find solutions that are acceptable to both parties?*

| SINCERE_REP_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 Did make sincere effort | 239 | 53,655,129 | 5,547,176 | 22.6 | 2.1 | 2.82 |
| 2 Didn't make sincere effort | 855 | 177,774,920 | 7,122,039 | 74.8 | 2.1 | 2.68 |
| 77 Don't Know | 26 | 5,696,837 | 1,348,451 | 2.4 | 0.6 | 1.56 |
| 99 Refused | 5 | 530,759 | 296,329 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.79 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

*Do you think the Republicans in Congress did or did not make a sincere effort to work with Barack Obama and the Democrats in Congress to find solutions that are acceptable to both parties?*

| SINCERE_DEM_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Do you think the Democrats in Congress did or did not make a sincere effort to work with the Republicans in Congress to find solutions that are acceptable to both parties?* | | | | | | |
| 1 Did make sincere effort | 516 | 112,352,615 | 6,581,083 | 47.3 | 2.3 | 2.39 |
| 2 Didn't make sincere effort | 551 | 114,190,635 | 6,699,187 | 48.0 | 2.3 | 2.39 |
| 77 Don't Know | 51 | 10,402,831 | 2,022,527 | 4.4 | 0.8 | 1.93 |
| 99 Refused | 7 | 711,563 | 345,591 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.80 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| PROB_TERROR_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Do you believe this problem is very important, somewhat important, or not very important at all. International terrorism?* | | | | | | |
| 1 Very important | 892 | 186,453,427 | 7,596,801 | 78.5 | 1.9 | 2.38 |
| 2 Somewhat important | 196 | 42,771,318 | 4,531,410 | 18.0 | 1.8 | 2.47 |
| 3 Not very important at all | 30 | 7,102,050 | 1,645,377 | 3.0 | 0.7 | 1.86 |
| 77 Don't know | 5 | 577,038 | 312,372 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.81 |
| 99 Refuse | 2 | 753,813 | 536,144 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 1.81 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| PROB_UNEMP_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Do you believe this problem is very important, somewhat important, or not very important at all. Unemployment* | | | | | | |
| 1 Very important | 1,051 | 217,810,203 | 7,489,242 | 91.6 | 1.5 | 3.16 |
| 2 Somewhat important | 68 | 18,768,956 | 3,586,699 | 7.9 | 1.5 | 3.26 |
| 3 Not very important at all | 4 | 670,430 | 485,653 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 1.67 |
| 77 Don't know | 2 | 408,055 | 288,367 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.97 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| PROB_CLIM_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Do you believe this problem is very important, somewhat important, or not very important at all. Climate change* | | | | | | |
| 1 Very important | 428 | 90,868,409 | 6,545,337 | 38.2 | 2.3 | 2.50 |
| 2 Somewhat important | 384 | 81,803,753 | 5,645,794 | 34.4 | 2.2 | 2.31 |
| 3 Not very important at all | 303 | 63,455,970 | 4,900,433 | 26.7 | 2.0 | 2.20 |
| 77 Don't know | 10 | 1,529,513 | 782,184 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 1.90 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| PROB_CHILD_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Do you believe this problem is very important, somewhat important, or not very important at all. Child poverty* | | | | | | |
| 1 Very important | 836 | 180,521,520 | 7,789,416 | 76.0 | 1.9 | 2.14 |
| 2 Somewhat important | 249 | 49,320,724 | 4,363,420 | 20.8 | 1.8 | 2.16 |
| 3 Not very important at all | 32 | 6,000,751 | 1,461,744 | 2.5 | 0.6 | 1.73 |
| 77 Don't know | 3 | 996,760 | 746,983 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 2.65 |
| 99 Refuse | 5 | 817,890 | 427,739 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 1.07 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| PROB_INFL_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Do you believe this problem is very important, somewhat important, or not very important at all. Inflation* | | | | | | |
| 1 Very important | 616 | 130,225,097 | 7,329,271 | 54.8 | 2.3 | 2.34 |
| 2 Somewhat important | 400 | 85,446,373 | 5,489,566 | 36.0 | 2.2 | 2.27 |
| 3 Not very important at all | 94 | 17,559,399 | 2,857,660 | 7.4 | 1.2 | 2.30 |
| 77 Don't know | 15 | 4,426,775 | 1,367,047 | 1.9 | 0.6 | 2.03 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| Do you believe this problem is very important, somewhat important, or not very important at all. Education | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| PROB_EDU_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 1 Very important | 932 | 198,555,943 | 7,724,918 | 83.5 | 1.7 | 2.23 |
| 2 Somewhat important | 168 | 34,027,774 | 3,885,328 | 14.3 | 1.6 | 2.29 |
| 3 Not very important at all | 25 | 5,073,928 | 1,350,348 | 2.1 | 0.6 | 1.74 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| Do you believe this problem is very important, somewhat important, or not very important at all. Budget deficits | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| PROB_BUDGET_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 1 Very important | 836 | 174,815,327 | 7,390,923 | 73.6 | 2.1 | 2.44 |
| 2 Somewhat important | 247 | 54,828,363 | 5,137,263 | 23.1 | 2.0 | 2.50 |
| 3 Not very important at all | 32 | 6,117,619 | 1,525,475 | 2.6 | 0.6 | 1.84 |
| 77 Don't know | 7 | 1,614,163 | 887,426 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 2.32 |
| 99 Refuse | 3 | 282,173 | 187,223 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.59 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| Do you believe this problem is very important, somewhat important, or not very important at all. Health care | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| PROB_HEALTH_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 1 Very important | 789 | 168,350,757 | 7,771,810 | 70.8 | 2.0 | 2.17 |
| 2 Somewhat important | 265 | 52,374,941 | 4,330,860 | 22.0 | 1.8 | 2.08 |
| 3 Not very important at all | 66 | 16,390,306 | 2,739,536 | 6.9 | 1.1 | 2.26 |
| 77 Don't know | 2 | 275,656 | 213,886 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.79 |
| 99 Refuse | 3 | 265,986 | 157,547 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.44 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| PROB_ENERGY_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Do you believe this problem is very important, somewhat important, or not very important at all. Energy supplies* | | | | | | |
| 1 Very important | 716 | 144,285,651 | 7,089,007 | 60.7 | 2.3 | 2.40 |
| 2 Somewhat important | 363 | 84,878,577 | 6,078,249 | 35.7 | 2.2 | 2.44 |
| 3 Not very important at all | 39 | 7,162,779 | 1,644,309 | 3.0 | 0.7 | 1.84 |
| 77 Don't know | 5 | 1,081,857 | 572,124 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 1.44 |
| 99 Refuse | 2 | 248,781 | 185,588 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.66 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| IMP_NOW_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *What is more important now: A. Having the federal gov spend money and hold down taxes to try to encourage job creation or B. Having the federal government cut down the federal budget deficit?* | | | | | | |
| 1 Fed gov spend money & hold down taxes | 551 | 129,586,993 | 7,690,698 | 54.5 | 2.2 | 2.29 |
| 2 Fed gov cut down budget deficit | 481 | 91,831,481 | 5,281,390 | 38.6 | 2.2 | 2.20 |
| 77 Don't know | 41 | 7,725,291 | 1,669,681 | 3.3 | 0.7 | 1.77 |
| 99 Refused | 52 | 8,513,880 | 1,657,937 | 3.6 | 0.7 | 1.60 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| BUDGET_INC_TAXES_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Would you favor Increases in taxes paid by ordinary Americans in order to cut the federal budget deficit?* | | | | | | |
| 1 Yes | 416 | 81,507,372 | 5,276,063 | 34.3 | 2.1 | 2.21 |
| 2 No | 683 | 150,828,525 | 7,664,209 | 63.5 | 2.1 | 2.22 |
| 77 Don't know | 17 | 3,290,961 | 1,136,221 | 1.4 | 0.5 | 1.88 |
| 99 Refuse | 9 | 2,030,786 | 797,707 | 0.9 | 0.3 | 1.50 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| Would you favor cuts in spending on domestic programs like Medicare, education, and highways in order to cut the federal budget deficit? | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| BUDGET_CUTS_DOM_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 1 Yes | 330 | 66,758,175 | 5,064,925 | 28.1 | 2.0 | 2.25 |
| 2 No | 777 | 167,317,984 | 7,646,685 | 70.4 | 2.0 | 2.24 |
| 77 Don't know | 8 | 2,023,070 | 900,873 | 0.9 | 0.4 | 1.91 |
| 99 Refuse | 10 | 1,558,417 | 643,233 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 1.27 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| Would you favor cuts in spending on national defense in order to cut the federal budget deficit? | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| BUDGET_CUTS_DEF_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 1 Yes | 579 | 120,988,804 | 6,674,328 | 50.9 | 2.3 | 2.38 |
| 2 No | 532 | 113,890,516 | 6,700,549 | 47.9 | 2.3 | 2.38 |
| 77 Don't know | 9 | 1,910,527 | 856,686 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 1.83 |
| 99 Refuse | 5 | 867,798 | 444,309 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 1.09 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| Would you favor an increase in the federal budget deficit in order to cut the taxes paid by ordinary Americans? | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| BUDGET_CUT_TAXES_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 1 Yes | 286 | 65,528,548 | 5,144,753 | 27.6 | 2.0 | 2.30 |
| 2 No | 805 | 165,519,287 | 7,575,626 | 69.6 | 2.1 | 2.28 |
| 77 Don't know | 24 | 5,960,848 | 1,525,987 | 2.5 | 0.6 | 1.89 |
| 99 Refuse | 10 | 648,962 | 243,220 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.44 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| *Would you favor an increase in the federal budget deficit in order to increase spending on domestic programs like Medicare, education, and highways?* | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *BUDGET_DOM_II* | *Unweighted Frequency* | *Weighted Frequency* | *Std Dev of Weighted Frequency* | *Weighted Percent* | *Std Err of Weighted Percent* | *DEFF* |
| *1 Yes* | 463 | 105,138,622 | 6,612,255 | 44.2 | 2.3 | 2.41 |
| *2 No* | 642 | 128,327,978 | 6,716,745 | 54.0 | 2.3 | 2.40 |
| *77 Don't know* | 15 | 3,356,119 | 1,192,693 | 1.4 | 0.5 | 2.03 |
| *99 Refuse* | 5 | 834,925 | 489,911 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 1.37 |
| *Total* | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| *Would you favor an increase in the federal budget deficit in order to increase spending on national defense?* | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *BUDGET_INC_DEF_II* | *Unweighted Frequency* | *Weighted Frequency* | *Std Dev of Weighted Frequency* | *Weighted Percent* | *Std Err of Weighted Percent* | *DEFF* |
| *1 Yes* | 248 | 55,733,237 | 5,474,435 | 23.5 | 2.1 | 2.70 |
| *2 No* | 854 | 178,482,056 | 7,203,043 | 75.1 | 2.1 | 2.63 |
| *77 Don't know* | 14 | 2,556,892 | 939,615 | 1.1 | 0.4 | 1.65 |
| *99 Refuse* | 9 | 885,459 | 411,573 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.91 |
| *Total* | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| *Do you think that the federal income tax rates for households making more than $250,000 per year should be increased, decreased, or kept at the current level?* | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *TAX_RATE_II* | *Unweighted Frequency* | *Weighted Frequency* | *Std Dev of Weighted Frequency* | *Weighted Percent* | *Std Err of Weighted Percent* | *DEFF* |
| *1 Increased* | 680 | 140,007,615 | 6,728,013 | 58.9 | 2.3 | 2.45 |
| *2 Decreased* | 62 | 14,380,743 | 3,263,497 | 6.1 | 1.3 | 3.50 |
| *3 Kept at current level* | 367 | 80,788,600 | 5,927,951 | 34.0 | 2.2 | 2.42 |
| *77 DK* | 10 | 1,381,246 | 599,455 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 1.24 |
| *99 RF* | 6 | 1,099,441 | 509,227 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 1.12 |
| *Total* | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| (Should the government) Require that all people buy health insurance? | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| HC_INS_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 1 Yes | 424 | 92,510,661 | 6,819,487 | 38.9 | 2.3 | 2.56 |
| 2 No | 686 | 140,042,541 | 6,349,303 | 58.9 | 2.3 | 2.53 |
| 77 Don't know | 8 | 3,842,530 | 1,601,821 | 1.6 | 0.7 | 3.17 |
| 99 Refuse | 7 | 1,261,913 | 825,519 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 2.56 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| (Should the government) Require that all businesses provide insurance for their employees? | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| HC_BUS_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 1 Yes | 606 | 144,983,121 | 7,956,817 | 61.0 | 2.1 | 2.15 |
| 2 No | 502 | 90,451,224 | 4,979,674 | 38.1 | 2.1 | 2.14 |
| 77 Don't know | 12 | 1,560,635 | 600,916 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 1.11 |
| 99 Refuse | 5 | 662,666 | 365,333 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.96 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| (Should the government) Require that states expand Medicaid to cover more people? | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| HC_MEDICAID_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| 1 Yes | 608 | 132,764,798 | 7,091,770 | 55.9 | 2.3 | 2.37 |
| 2 No | 487 | 99,506,392 | 6,229,574 | 41.9 | 2.3 | 2.38 |
| 77 Don't know | 24 | 4,770,535 | 1,179,625 | 2.0 | 0.5 | 1.42 |
| 99 Refuse | 6 | 615,920 | 344,527 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.92 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| HC_PAY_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *(Should the government) Pay for health care for all Americans?* | | | | | | |
| 1 Yes | 367 | 87,178,614 | 6,375,474 | 36.7 | 2.3 | 2.50 |
| 2 No | 740 | 146,299,597 | 6,839,783 | 61.6 | 2.3 | 2.47 |
| 77 Don't know | 10 | 2,394,931 | 953,773 | 1.0 | 0.4 | 1.81 |
| 99 Refuse | 8 | 1,784,503 | 890,916 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 2.12 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| HC_CONTRACEPT_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *(Should the government) Require insurance companies to pay for contraceptives?* | | | | | | |
| 1 Yes | 596 | 126,815,305 | 6,282,333 | 53.4 | 2.3 | 2.43 |
| 2 No | 514 | 108,432,509 | 7,072,581 | 45.6 | 2.3 | 2.44 |
| 77 Don't know | 10 | 1,796,331 | 737,784 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 1.45 |
| 99 Refuse | 5 | 613,500 | 382,363 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 1.13 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| HC_OVER65_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *(Should the government) Pay for health care for all Americans over 65?* | | | | | | |
| 1 Yes | 773 | 170,494,440 | 7,957,330 | 71.7 | 1.9 | 2.03 |
| 2 No | 324 | 61,722,669 | 4,440,921 | 26.0 | 1.9 | 2.02 |
| 77 Don't know | 19 | 4,139,739 | 1,198,056 | 1.7 | 0.5 | 1.67 |
| 99 Refuse | 9 | 1,300,797 | 526,435 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 1.02 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| HC_POVERTY_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *(Should the government) Pay for health care for all Americans who are in poverty?* | | | | | | |
| 1 Yes | 729 | 154,994,183 | 7,589,223 | 65.2 | 2.1 | 2.26 |
| 2 No | 367 | 78,016,586 | 5,399,024 | 32.8 | 2.1 | 2.28 |
| 77 Don't know | 20 | 3,716,544 | 1,053,028 | 1.6 | 0.4 | 1.45 |
| 99 Refuse | 9 | 930,332 | 383,691 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.76 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| HC_DRUG_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *(Should the government) Cover drug bills for senior citizens?* | | | | | | |
| 1 Yes | 725 | 161,186,874 | 7,510,502 | 67.8 | 2.1 | 2.27 |
| 2 No | 378 | 71,319,805 | 5,244,007 | 30.0 | 2.1 | 2.26 |
| 77 Don't know | 15 | 3,931,061 | 1,463,384 | 1.7 | 0.6 | 2.59 |
| 99 Refuse | 7 | 1,219,905 | 578,186 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 1.31 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| HC_PREEXIST_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *(Should the government) Prohibit insurance companies from denying health insurance coverage because of a preexisting condition?* | | | | | | |
| 1 Yes | 701 | 147,566,513 | 7,347,878 | 62.1 | 2.2 | 2.33 |
| 2 No | 406 | 86,078,565 | 5,794,851 | 36.2 | 2.2 | 2.34 |
| 77 Don't know | 18 | 4,012,566 | 1,085,691 | 1.7 | 0.5 | 1.43 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| HC_PLAN25_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *(Should the government) Require insurance companies to cover children on their parent's health insurance plans through age 25?* | | | | | | |
| 1 Yes | 770 | 164,876,243 | 7,466,374 | 69.4 | 2.1 | 2.32 |
| 2 No | 346 | 71,524,468 | 5,390,178 | 30.1 | 2.1 | 2.32 |
| 77 Don't know | 6 | 1,114,384 | 654,894 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 1.82 |
| 99 Refuse | 3 | 142,550 | 95,022 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.30 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| HC_MANCARE_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *(Should the gov) Change Medicare from fee for service to managed care?* | | | | | | |
| 1 Yes | 505 | 117,895,684 | 7,129,203 | 49.6 | 2.3 | 2.38 |
| 2 No | 528 | 102,566,539 | 6,141,801 | 43.2 | 2.3 | 2.35 |
| 77 Don't know | 76 | 14,685,496 | 2,061,042 | 6.2 | 0.9 | 1.50 |
| 99 Refuse | 16 | 2,509,926 | 785,460 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 1.19 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| MED_FUTURE_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *What should Medicare be like in the future? A: Medicare should continue as is for all people. B: Medicare should be changed for under 55 to a system in which gov helps purchase coverage from Medicare or a list of private health plans.* | | | | | | |
| 1 Opt A: Medicare continue as is | 732 | 153,714,738 | 7,491,778 | 64.7 | 2.2 | 2.29 |
| 2 Opt B: Buy coverage | 338 | 73,648,622 | 5,421,406 | 31.0 | 2.1 | 2.32 |
| 77 Don't know | 33 | 6,790,599 | 1,497,003 | 2.9 | 0.6 | 1.62 |
| 99 Refused | 22 | 3,503,686 | 994,236 | 1.5 | 0.4 | 1.37 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| GAP_MID_POOR_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | | |

**Compared to 25 years ago, do you think there is a wider gap between the incomes of middle class people and poor people, a narrower gap, or has there not been much change?**

| GAP_MID_POOR_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 Wider gap | 565 | 118,792,419 | 6,327,066 | 50.0 | 2.3 | 2.39 |
| 2 Narrower gap | 252 | 53,774,785 | 5,305,948 | 22.6 | 2.0 | 2.64 |
| 3 Not much change | 263 | 56,721,925 | 5,009,542 | 23.9 | 2.0 | 2.39 |
| 77 Don't know | 38 | 7,177,874 | 2,182,889 | 3.0 | 0.9 | 3.15 |
| 99 Refused | 7 | 1,190,642 | 611,722 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 1.50 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

**Compared to 25 years ago, do you think there is a wider gap between the incomes of middle class people and rich people, a narrower gap, or has there not been much change?**

| GAP_MID_RICH_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 Wider gap | 828 | 170,766,760 | 7,202,646 | 71.9 | 2.1 | 2.52 |
| 2 Narrower gap | 50 | 10,884,157 | 2,059,342 | 4.6 | 0.9 | 1.92 |
| 3 Not much change | 218 | 47,649,355 | 4,929,088 | 20.0 | 1.9 | 2.58 |
| 77 Don't know | 21 | 5,713,979 | 2,140,851 | 2.4 | 0.9 | 3.79 |
| 99 Refused | 8 | 2,643,394 | 1,096,073 | 1.1 | 0.5 | 2.17 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

**Do you agree or disagree that differences in income in America are too large?**

| INC_DIF_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 Agree | 682 | 148,269,943 | 7,171,592 | 62.4 | 2.2 | 2.36 |
| 2 Disagree | 393 | 78,357,580 | 5,607,194 | 33.0 | 2.1 | 2.33 |
| 77 Don't know | 39 | 9,319,972 | 2,497,643 | 3.9 | 1.0 | 3.18 |
| 99 Refused | 11 | 1,710,150 | 557,521 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 0.88 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| GAP_REP_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| . | 1 | 39,173 | 39,173 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.19 |
| 1 Great deal of responsibility | 461 | 103,817,086 | 7,343,763 | 43.7 | 2.3 | 2.52 |
| 2 Some responsibility | 373 | 80,805,013 | 5,187,993 | 34.0 | 2.1 | 2.19 |
| 3 Not much responsibility | 131 | 26,018,640 | 3,238,301 | 10.9 | 1.3 | 2.07 |
| 4 None at all | 125 | 21,660,124 | 2,700,798 | 9.1 | 1.1 | 1.77 |
| 77 Don't know | 20 | 3,274,201 | 963,734 | 1.4 | 0.4 | 1.37 |
| 99 Refuse | 14 | 2,043,408 | 656,526 | 0.9 | 0.3 | 1.02 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

*Do the Republican Party and Presidents bear a great deal of responsibility, some responsibility, not much responsibility, or no responsibility at all for the gap in incomes?* (header above table)

| GAP_DEM_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| . | 1 | 39,173 | 39,173 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.19 |
| 1 Great deal of responsibility | 177 | 41,040,171 | 4,932,765 | 17.3 | 1.9 | 2.88 |
| 2 Some responsibility | 496 | 108,972,136 | 6,685,345 | 45.9 | 2.3 | 2.40 |
| 3 Not much responsibility | 279 | 58,700,179 | 4,902,197 | 24.7 | 1.9 | 2.28 |
| 4 None at all | 137 | 23,359,674 | 2,553,472 | 9.8 | 1.1 | 1.54 |
| 77 Don't know | 23 | 3,821,365 | 1,039,997 | 1.6 | 0.4 | 1.37 |
| 99 Refuse | 12 | 1,724,947 | 606,992 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 1.03 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

*Do the Democratic Party and Presidents bear a great deal of responsibility, some responsibility, not much responsibility, or no responsibility at all for the gap in incomes?* (header above table)

| GAP_BUS_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| . | 2 | 217,288 | 182,371 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.73 |
| 1 Great deal of responsibility | 547 | 122,065,578 | 7,344,824 | 51.4 | 2.3 | 2.37 |
| 2 Some responsibility | 371 | 75,487,403 | 5,209,778 | 31.8 | 2.1 | 2.23 |
| 3 Not much responsibility | 82 | 16,206,451 | 2,439,111 | 6.8 | 1.0 | 1.85 |
| 4 None at all | 90 | 16,797,380 | 2,313,604 | 7.1 | 1.0 | 1.65 |
| 77 Don't know | 23 | 5,029,447 | 2,033,017 | 2.1 | 0.8 | 3.87 |
| 99 Refuse | 10 | 1,854,099 | 738,560 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 1.41 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

*Do the the practices of business corporations bear a great deal of responsibility, some responsibility, not much responsibility, or no responsibility at all for the gap in incomes?*

| GAP_LABOR_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| . | 2 | 217,288 | 182,371 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.73 |
| 1 Great deal of responsibility | 297 | 58,118,960 | 4,338,104 | 24.5 | 1.8 | 1.99 |
| 2 Some responsibility | 465 | 101,588,672 | 6,888,947 | 42.7 | 2.3 | 2.47 |
| 3 Not much responsibility | 193 | 45,106,681 | 4,873,569 | 19.0 | 1.9 | 2.64 |
| 4 None at all | 122 | 25,222,506 | 3,054,569 | 10.6 | 1.3 | 1.94 |
| 77 Don't know | 38 | 6,302,340 | 1,592,826 | 2.7 | 0.7 | 1.94 |
| 99 Refuse | 8 | 1,101,197 | 500,975 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 1.09 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

*Do the practices of labor unions bear a great deal of responsibility, some responsibility, not much responsibility, or no responsibility at all for the gap in incomes?*

| GAP_WORKERS_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Do the educational and occupational choices of workers bear a great deal of responsibility, some responsibility, not much responsibility, or no responsibility at all for the gap in incomes?* | | | | | | |
| . | 2 | 217,288 | 182,371 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.73 |
| 1 Great deal of responsibility | 341 | 66,963,867 | 4,840,178 | 28.2 | 2.0 | 2.14 |
| 2 Some responsibility | 460 | 93,106,936 | 6,006,116 | 39.2 | 2.2 | 2.36 |
| 3 Not much responsibility | 170 | 44,015,216 | 5,523,172 | 18.5 | 2.1 | 3.25 |
| 4 None at all | 107 | 25,528,452 | 3,257,411 | 10.7 | 1.3 | 2.13 |
| 77 Don't know | 33 | 6,125,115 | 1,415,810 | 2.6 | 0.6 | 1.59 |
| 99 Refuse | 12 | 1,700,772 | 632,067 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 1.13 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| OPP_LIBERTY_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *If you had to choose, is it more important for the country to achieve more equal opportunity or to achieve greater liberty?* | | | | | | |
| . | 2 | 217,288 | 182,371 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.73 |
| 1 More equal opportunity | 644 | 135,323,801 | 7,319,515 | 56.9 | 2.3 | 2.34 |
| 2 Greater liberty | 431 | 92,653,400 | 5,889,382 | 39.0 | 2.2 | 2.34 |
| 77 Don't know | 30 | 6,961,331 | 1,550,002 | 2.9 | 0.7 | 1.69 |
| 99 Refuse | 18 | 2,501,824 | 746,630 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 1.08 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| ROLE_GOV_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Which of these statements is closer to your own opinion about the role of government?* | | | | | | |
| . | 2 | 217,288 | 182,371 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.73 |
| 1 The less government the better | 548 | 106,100,121 | 6,044,013 | 44.6 | 2.3 | 2.34 |
| 2 There are more things that government should be doing | 534 | 124,178,514 | 7,239,232 | 52.3 | 2.3 | 2.36 |
| 3 Neither (volunteered) | 23 | 4,271,262 | 1,213,024 | 1.8 | 0.5 | 1.66 |
| 77 Don't know | 10 | 2,113,109 | 907,088 | 0.9 | 0.4 | 1.86 |
| 99 Refuse | 8 | 777,352 | 317,864 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.62 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| REP_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *When it comes to government, would you like YOUR representatives in DC to stand by their principles or would you like YOUR representatives in Washington to work with others to get things done?* | | | | | | |
| . | 3 | 285,351 | 194,658 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.63 |
| 1 Reps to stand by their principles | 184 | 46,276,337 | 5,468,942 | 19.5 | 2.1 | 3.08 |
| 2 Reps to work with others and compromise | 913 | 184,731,438 | 7,030,567 | 77.7 | 2.1 | 2.88 |
| 3 Neither (volunteered) | 12 | 2,865,261 | 944,139 | 1.2 | 0.4 | 1.50 |
| 77 Don't know | 10 | 3,031,027 | 1,067,913 | 1.3 | 0.4 | 1.80 |
| 99 Refuse | 3 | 468,232 | 357,160 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 1.29 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| HH_HEALTH_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Do you or does anybody in your household work in the health care industry?* | | | | | | |
| . | 4 | 569,707 | 344,467 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.99 |
| 1 Yes | 235 | 53,427,070 | 5,458,212 | 22.5 | 2.1 | 2.76 |
| 2 No | 886 | 183,660,867 | 7,163,599 | 77.3 | 2.1 | 2.75 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| HH_HOSPITAL_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Do you or does a member of your household work for a hospital, as or for a health care provider, for a health insurance company, or for some other kind of health care company?* | | | | | | |
| . | 890 | 184,230,575 | 7,155,974 | 77.5 | 2.1 | 2.76 |
| *1 Yes* | 183 | 44,045,150 | 5,292,765 | 18.5 | 2.0 | 3.04 |
| *2 No* | 52 | 9,381,920 | 1,644,248 | 3.9 | 0.7 | 1.45 |
| *Total* | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| GEN_ELDERLY_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Right now, do you think the elderly are getting more than their fair share, less than their fair share, or about their fair share of benefits from the federal government?* | | | | | | |
| . | 4 | 569,707 | 344,467 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.99 |
| *1 More* | 71 | 17,854,902 | 3,720,520 | 7.5 | 1.5 | 3.65 |
| *2 Less* | 354 | 85,015,317 | 6,476,726 | 35.8 | 2.3 | 2.55 |
| *3 About their fair share* | 662 | 128,453,738 | 6,081,318 | 54.0 | 2.3 | 2.45 |
| *77 Don't know* | 26 | 4,519,084 | 1,068,398 | 1.9 | 0.5 | 1.24 |
| *99 Refuse* | 8 | 1,244,896 | 541,949 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 1.13 |
| *Total* | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| GEN_YOUNG_II | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Do you think that young people are getting more than their fair share, less than their fair share, or about their fair share of benefits from the federal government?* | | | | | | |
| . | 4 | 569,707 | 344,467 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.99 |
| *1 More* | 198 | 48,196,221 | 5,134,478 | 20.3 | 2.0 | 2.72 |
| *2 Less* | 336 | 78,009,075 | 6,441,746 | 32.8 | 2.3 | 2.66 |
| *3 About their fair share* | 528 | 101,932,469 | 5,381,259 | 42.9 | 2.2 | 2.25 |
| *77 Don't know* | 50 | 8,068,357 | 1,658,548 | 3.4 | 0.7 | 1.68 |
| *99 Refuse* | 9 | 881,816 | 450,154 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 1.10 |
| *Total* | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| Battleground States (binary variable) | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| STATE_TYPE | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| . Undetermined | 148 | 25,721,556 | 2,589,449 | 10.8 | 1.1 | 1.50 |
| 1 Battleground state (FL,OH,CO,IA,MI,NV,NC,VA,WI) | 433 | 52,843,010 | 4,189,002 | 22.2 | 1.7 | 1.84 |
| 2 Non-battleground state | 544 | 159,093,079 | 7,752,595 | 66.9 | 2.0 | 1.93 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

| Contact type | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| TYPE | Unweighted Frequency | Weighted Frequency | Std Dev of Weighted Frequency | Weighted Percent | Std Err of Weighted Percent | DEFF |
| Cell | 564 | 130,808,415 | 5,570,561 | 55.0 | 1.6 | 1.20 |
| RDD | 561 | 106,849,230 | 5,358,450 | 45.0 | 1.6 | 1.20 |
| Total | 1,125 | 237,657,645 | 7,729,433 | 100.0 | | |

*The FREQ Procedure*

| Strata | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| STRATA | Frequency | Percent | Cumulative Frequency | Cumulative Percent |
| 1 Florida | 168 | 14.9 | 168 | 14.9 |
| 2 Ohio | 153 | 13.6 | 321 | 28.5 |
| 3 Rest of the country | 804 | 71.5 | 1,125 | 100.0 |

| VSTRATUM (STRATA by TYPE) | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| VSTRATUM | Frequency | Percent | Cumulative Frequency | Cumulative Percent |
| 1 Stratum 1 | 103 | 9.2 | 103 | 9.2 |
| 2 Stratum 2 | 71 | 6.3 | 174 | 15.5 |
| 3 Stratum 3 | 387 | 34.4 | 561 | 49.9 |
| 4 Stratum 4 | 65 | 5.8 | 626 | 55.6 |
| 5 Stratum 5 | 82 | 7.3 | 708 | 62.9 |
| 6 Stratum 6 | 417 | 37.1 | 1,125 | 100.0 |

*The MEANS Procedure*

| Analysis Variable : WAVE2_WT Wave 2 Weights | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| N | Mean | Std Dev | Min | Max |
| 1125 | 211251.2 | 248743.95 | 9653.36 | 2675614.43 |

CAN_PREF In the upcoming election, which candidate do you prefer in the race for President of the United States?
1. Barack Obama
2. Mitt Romney
3. Some other candidate
4. I HAVE NOT DECIDED YET, NO PREFERENCE
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

INT_VOTE Do you intend to vote in the presidential election this fall?
1. YES. I PLAN TO VOTE ON OR BEFORE ELECTION DAY.
2. YES. I ALREADY VOTED, EARLY OR ABSENTEE.
3. NO. I DO NOT INTEND TO VOTE
4. I HAVE NOT DECIDED YET
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

I'd like you to rate your feelings toward each of the following. Could you tell me whether your view is very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative. If you don't know the name or group, please just say so.
1.VERY POSITIVE  2. SOMEWHAT POSITIVE 3.NEUTRAL 4.SOMEWHAT NEGATIVE 5.VERY NEGATIVE 77.DON'T KNOW  99.REF
a. RATE_FEEL_BO Barack Obama
b. RATE_FEEL_MR Mitt Romney
c. RATE_FEEL_JB Joe Biden
d. RATE_FEEL_PR Paul Ryan
e. RATE_FEEL_DC The Democrats in Congress
f. RATE_FEEL_RC The Republicans in Congress
g. RATE_FEEL_SC The Supreme Court
h. RATE_FEEL_TP The Tea Party Movement

RATE_IDEOL I'd like you to rate the following people on a scale of very liberal, somewhat liberal, moderate, somewhat conservative, or very conservative. How would you rate……?
1.VERY LIBERAL 2.SOMEWHAT LIBERAL  3.MODERATE  4. SOMEWHAT CONSERVATIVE  5.VERY CONSERVATIVE  77.DON'T KNOW   99.REF
a. RATE_IDEOL_BO Barack Obama
b. RATE_ IDEOL_MR Mitt Romney
c. RATE_ IDEOL_PR Paul Ryan
d. RATE_ IDEOL_YOURSELF Yourself

FIN_FAM We are interested in how people are getting along financially these days.  Would you say that (you / you and your family living here) are BETTER off or WORSE off financially than you were a year ago, or about the same?
1. BETTER OFF
2. WORSE OFF
3. ABOUT THE SAME

77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

US_ECON Now I want you to think about the economic conditions currently facing the United States as a whole.  Would you describe the state of the nation's economy these days as excellent, good, not so good, or poor?
1.  EXCELLENT
2.  GOOD
3.  NOT SO GOOD
4.  POOR
77. DON'T KNOW [GO TO ECON_ONE]
99. REFUSED [GO TO ECON_ONE]

I am going to read you a list of people and groups, and I want you to tell me how much credit/blame (from US_ECON: IF CHOSE EXCELLENT/GOOD THEN CREDIT; IF CHOSE NOT SO GOOD/POOR THEN BLAME) you think each of them deserves for current economic conditions.
RESPONSE CHOICES: (from US_ECON: IF CHOSE EXCELLENT/GOOD THEN CREDIT; IF CHOSE NOT SO GOOD/POOR THEN BLAME

1.GREAT DEAL CREDIT/BLAME                     2.SOME            CREDIT/BLAME  3. NOT MUCH CREDIT/BLAME     4.NO CREDIT/BLAME  77.DON'T KNOW  99.REFUSED

a.  CRED_BLAME_1 Let's start with President Barack Obama.  Does President Obama deserve a great deal of credit/blame, some credit/blame, not much credit/blame, or no credit/blame at all for the economic conditions currently facing the country?
b.  CRED_BLAME_2 How about President George W. Bush?
c.  CRED_BLAME_3 The Democrats in Congress?
d.  CRED_BLAME_4 The Republicans in Congress?
e.  CRED_BLAME_5 The Federal Reserve Board?
f.  CRED_BLAME_6 Banks and other financial institutions?

CRED_BLAME_OBAMA:  Recode of CRED_BLAME_1 and US_ECON
CRED_BLAME_BUSH:  Recode of CRED_BLAME_2 and US_ECON
CRED_BLAME_DEM_CONGR:  Recode of CRED_BLAME_3 and US_ECON
CRED_BLAME_REP_CONGR:  Recode of CRED_BLAME_4 and US_ECON
CRED_BLAME_FED:  Recode of CRED_BLAME_5 and US_ECON
CRED_BLAME_OTH_FIN:  Recode of  CRED_BLAME_6 and US_ECON
1.  Great deal of credit
2.  Some credit
3.  Not much credit
4.  No credit
5.  No blame
6.  Not much blame
7.  Some blame
8.  Great deal of blame
77. Don't know
99. Refuse

MOST_CRED_BLAME Considering all of the above, who or which deserves the greatest (from 6 US_ECON: IF CHOSE EXCELLENT/GOOD THEN CREDIT; IF CHOSE NOT SO GOOD/POOR THEN BLAME) for the economic conditions currently facing the United States – President Obama, President George W. Bush, the Democrats in Congress, the Republicans in Congress, the Federal Reserve Board, or banks and other financial institutions?
1. PRESIDENT OBAMA
2. PRESIDENT GEORGE W. BUSH
3. DEMOCRATS IN CONGRESS
4. REPUBLICANS IN CONGRESS
5. FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD
6. BANKS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

MOST_CRED_BLAME_ECO: Recode of MOST_CRED_BLAME & US_ECON
1. Obama deserves the greatest credit
2. Bush deserves the greatest credit
3. Dems in Congress deserve the greatest credit
4. Reps in Congress deserve the greatest credit
5. FED deserves the greatest credit
6. Banks deserve the greatest credit
7. Obama deserves the greatest blame
8. Bush deserves the greatest blame
9. Dems in Congress deserve the greatest blame
10. Reps in Congress deserve the greatest blame
11. FED deserves the greatest blame
12. Banks deserve the greatest blame
77. Don't know
99. Refuse

ECON_PAST Thinking about the economy in the country as a whole, would you say that over the PAST YEAR the nation's economy has gotten BETTER, stayed ABOUT THE SAME, or gotten WORSE?
1. BETTER
2. STAYED ABOUT THE SAME
3. GOTTEN WORSE
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

What about the next 12 months…

ECON_OBAMA If BARACK OBAMA wins the election, do you expect the economy in the country as a whole to get BETTER, stay ABOUT THE SAME, or get WORSE?
1. BETTER
2. STAY ABOUT THE SAME
3. WORSE

77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

ECON_ROMNEY If MITT ROMNEY wins the election, do you expect the economy in the country as a whole to get BETTER, stay ABOUT THE SAME, or get WORSE?
1. BETTER
2. STAYED ABOUT THE SAME
3. GOTTEN WORSE
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

What about your own family's financial situation in the next 12 months...

FAM_OBAMA If BARACK OBAMA wins the election, do you expect your OWN FAMILY'S financial situation to get BETTER, stay ABOUT THE SAME, or get WORSE?
1. BETTER
2. STAYED ABOUT THE SAME
3. GOTTEN WORSE
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

FAM_ROMNEY If MITT ROMNEY wins the election, do you expect your OWN FAMILY'S financial situation to get BETTER, stay ABOUT THE SAME, or get WORSE?
1. BETTER
2. STAYED ABOUT THE SAME
3. GOTTEN WORSE
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

PARTY_REP Do you happen to know which party has the most members in the United States House of Representatives in Washington right now, before the coming election? (PROMPT IF NEEDED: The Democratic Party, the Republican Party, or you don't happen to recall?)
1. DEMOCRATIC PARTY
2. REPUBLICAN PARTY
77. DON'T RECALL
99. REFUSED

PARTY_SEN Do you happen to know which party has the most members in the United States Senate right now, before the coming election? (PROMPT IF NEEDED: The Democratic Party, the Republican Party, or you don't happen to recall?)
1. DEMOCRATIC PARTY
2. REPUBLICAN PARTY
77. DON'T RECALL
99. REFUSED

KNOW_CONG: Recode of PARTY_REP & PARTY_SEN

1. Correct
2. One correct, one incorrect
3. Both incorrect

Do you happen to know…

PRES_TARP Which president proposed and signed the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act, including TARP, (also known as "the bank bailout"), President George W. Bush or President Barack Obama?
1. GEORGE W. BUSH
2. BARACK OBAMA
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

PRES_STIM Which president proposed and signed the American Reconstruction and Recovery Act (also known as "the stimulus"), President Bush or President Obama?
1. GEORGE W. BUSH
2. BARACK OBAMA
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

KNOW_POLICY: Recode of PRES_TARP & PRES_STIM
1. Both correct
2. Both attributed to Bush
3. Both attributed to Obama
4. Both incorrect

PRES_MEDICARE Which president proposed and signed the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act (also known as "the Medicare prescription drug benefit bill"), President Bush or President Obama?
1. GEORGE W. BUSH
2. BARACK OBAMA
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

PRES_ACA Which president proposed and signed the Affordable Care Act (also known as "the health care reform bill"), President Bush or President Obama?
1. GEORGE W. BUSH
2. BARACK OBAMA
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

KNOW_HEALTH: Recode of PRES_MEDICARE & PRES_ACA
1. Correct: Bush, Obama
2. Both to Bush
3. Both to Obama

4. Incorrect

EFFORT_OBAMA Looking back on the last few years, do you think President Obama has made a big effort to fix the economy, some effort to fix the economy, or very little effort to fix the economy?
1. BIG EFFORT
2. SOME EFFORT
3. VERY LITTLE EFFORT
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

ECON_POLICIES Would you say that overall, the economic policies of the Obama administration hurt the economy, helped the economy, or had no effect either way?
1. HURT
2. HELPED
3. HAD NO EFFECT
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

EFFORT_DEMS Looking back on the last few years, have the Democrats in Congress made a big effort to fix the economy, some effort to fix the economy, or very little effort to fix the economy?
1. BIG EFFORT
2. SOME EFFORT
3. VERY LITTLE EFFORT
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

EFFORT_GOP In the last few years, have the Republicans in Congress made a big effort to fix the economy, some effort to fix the economy, or very little effort to fix the economy?
1. BIG EFFORT
2. SOME EFFORT
3. VERY LITTLE EFFORT
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

EFFORT_BOTH: Recode of EFFORT_OBAMA & EFFORT_GOP
1. Both tried
2. Obama tried
3. GOP tried
4. Neither tried
5. Don't know
6. Refuse

HEALTH Would you say that in general your health is —
1. Excellent

2. Very good
3. Good
4. Fair
5. Poor
77. DON'T KNOW
 99. REFUSED

DOC_COST Was there a time in the past 12 months when you needed to see a doctor but could not because of cost?
1.  YES
2.  NO
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

Are you currently covered by any of the following types of health insurance or health coverage plans? [CHECK ALL THAT APPLY]
1.  HEALTH_INS_EMP Employer
        0. Otherwise
        1. Employer
2.  HEALTH_INS_SPOUSE Spouse's/partner's/parent's employer
        0. Otherwise
        1. Spouse's/partner's/parent's employer
3.  HEALTH_INS_BUY A plan that you or someone else buys on your own
        0. Otherwise
        1. A plan that you or someone else buys on your own
4.  HEALTH_INS_MEDICARE Medicare
        0. Otherwise
        1. Medicare
5.  HEALTH_INS_MEDICAID Medicaid/Medi-Cal or Medical Assistance
        0. Otherwise
        1. Medicaid/Medi-Cal or Medical Assistance
6.  HEALTH_INS_MIL The military, CHAMPUS, TRICARE, or the VA [or CHAMP-VA]
        0. Otherwise
        1. The military, CHAMPUS, TRICARE, or the VA [or CHAMP-VA]
7.  HEALTH_INS_OTHER Some other source
        0. Otherwise
        1. Some other source
8.  HEALTH_INS_NONE None-no health insurance
        0. Otherwise
        1. None/No health insurance
77. HEALTH_INS_DK DON'T KNOW
        0. Otherwise
        1. Don't know
99. HEALTH_INS_REF REFUSED
        0. Otherwise
        1. Refuse

HEALTH_DENIED Have you ever applied for health insurance but been denied because of a pre-existing condition?
1. YES I HAVE BEEN DENIED COVERAGE BECAUSE OF A PRE-EXISTING CONDITION
2. NO I HAVE NEVER BEEN DENIED
3. NO, BECAUSE I HAVE NEVER TRIED TO GET HEALTH INSURANCE
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

ACA_2010 Now we'd like to ask you about the 2010 Affordable Care Act, also known as the health care reform bill.  Thinking back to 2010, did you favor or oppose passage of the Affordable Care Act of 2010?
1. FAVOR
2. OPPOSE
3. NOT SURE
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

ACA_REPEAL As of today, do you favor or oppose repeal of the Act?
1. FAVOR
2. OPPOSE
3. NOT SURE
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

ACA_COVERAGE Do you think the Affordable Care Act, if fully implemented, will increase or decrease the proportion of Americans who have health care coverage, or have no effect?
1. INCREASE
2. DECREASE
3. NO EFFECT
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

ACA_COST  Do you think the Affordable Care Act, if fully implemented, will increase or decrease the cost of health care in the United States, or have no effect?
1. INCREASE
2. DECREASE
3. NO EFFECT
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

ACA_ACCESS Would you personally have better or worse access to health care under this law than you currently do, or would it make no difference?
1. BETTER
2. WORSE
3. NO DIFFERENCE

77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

ACA_PAY Would you have to pay more or less for health care than you currently do under this law, or would it make no difference?
1. MORE
2. LESS
3. NO DIFFERENCE
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

SOC_SEC Some people have proposed that workers who are currently under age 55 should be given the option of investing a portion of their Social Security taxes in the stock market and in bonds, while at the same time reducing the guaranteed Social Security benefit they get when they retire. Depending on what happens to those investments in stocks and bonds, their income in retirement could be higher or lower. Do you support or oppose this proposal?
1. SUPPORT
2. OPPOSE
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

Demographics

GENDER [INTERVIEWER: CODE GENDER IF KNOWN. IF NOT ASK THE FOLLOWING QUESTION]
Are you male or female?
1. MALE
2. FEMALE
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

SCHOOLING  What is the highest grade or year of school you have completed?
[READ IF NESSESSARY]
1. 8th GRADE OR LESS
2. 9th-12th GRADE NO DIPLOMA
3. HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE OR GED COMPLETED
4. COMPLETED A VOCATIONAL, TRADE, OR BUSINESS SCHOOL PROGRAM
5. SOME COLLEGE CREDIT BUT NO DEGREE
6. ASSOCIATE DEGREE (AA, AS)
7. BACHELOR'S DEGREE (BA, BS, AB)
8. MASTER'S DEGREE (MA, MS, MSW, MBA)
9. DOCTORATE (PhD, EdD) or PROFESSIONAL DEGREE (MD, DDS, DVM, JD)
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

MAR_STATUS  Are you married, widowed, divorced, separated, or have you never been married?

1. Married
2. Widowed
3. Divorced
4. Separated
5. Never married
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

ETHNICITY (DROPPED-COMBINED FOR NEW VARIABLE) Are you of Hispanic or Latino origin?
(INCLUDES MEXICAN, MEXICAN-AMERICAN, CHICANO, PUERTO RICAN, CUBAN, OR OTHER
SPANISH-CARIBBEAN)
1. YES
2. NO
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

RACE (DROPPED-COMBINED FOR NEW VARIABLE) Now I'm going to read a list of categories.
Please choose one or more of the following categories to describe your race.  Are you White,
Black or African American, American Indian or Alaska Native, Asian, Native Hawaiian or other
Pacific Islander? [CLICK ALL THAT APPLY]
1. WHITE
2. BLACK/AFRICAN AMERICAN
3. AMERICAN INDIAN/ALASKA NATIVE
4. ASIAN
5. NATIVE HAWAIIAN/OTHER PACIFIC ISLANDER
6. SOME OTHER RACE
7. ONLY IF RESPONDENT VOLUNTEERS: HISPANIC/LATINO
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

RACE_ETHNICITY: Recode of ETHNICITY & RACE
1. Non-Hispanic white only
2. Hispanic only
3. Other
77. Don't Know
99. Refused

YOB (DROPPED-COMBINED FOR NEW VARIABLE) In what month and year were you born?
MONTH
YEAR
DON'T KNOW
REFUSED

AGE_CAT: Recode of YOB
1. 18-29 yrs
2. 30-54 yrs

3. 55-64 yrs
4. 65+ yrs
77. Don't Know

NUM_HOUSEHOLD   Now some questions about your entire household.  Including the adults and all the children, how many people live in this household?

NUMBER OF PEOPLE _____
[GO TO AGE_HOUSEHOLD IF RESPONSE > 1; IF=1 GO TO INC_HH]
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

AGE_HOUSEHOLD How many of these are adults 18 years of age or older?
NUMBER OF PEOPLE _____
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

INC_HH (DROPPED-COMBINED FOR NEW VARIABLE) Last year, that is 2011, what was your total household income from all sources, before taxes?
[ONLY READ IF NECESSARY: INCLUDE MONEY FOR JOBS, SOCIAL SECURITY, RETIREMENT INCOME, UNEMPLOYMENT PAYMENTS, PUBLIC ASSISTANCE, AND SO FORTH. ALSO INCLUDE INCOME FROM INTEREST, DIVIDENDS, NET INCOME FROM BUSINESS, FARM, RENT, OR ANY OTHER MONEY INCOME RECEIVED. ]

$ _____
7. DON'T KNOW [GO TO INC_RANGE]
9. REFUSED [GO TO INC_RANGE]

INC_RANGE (DROPPED-COMBINED FOR NEW VARIABLE)    [DO NOT READ IF RESPONDENT ALREADY GAVE YOU A RANGE IN PREVIOUS QUESTION. JUST SELECT ANSWER BASED ON CODE] You may not be able to give us an exact figure for your total combined household income, but can you tell me the letter of the category that is your best estimate of the combined household income during 2011 for all members of the household? [STOP READING WHEN RESPONDENT SELECTS ANSWER]
1. A. $1,000-5,000
2. B. $5,001-10,000
3. C. $10,001-25,000
4. D. $25,001-50,000
5. E. $50,001-100,000
6. F. $100,001-250,000
7. G. More than $250,000
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

INC_HH_RANGE: Recode of INC_HH & INC_RANGE

1. $1,000-5,000
2. $5,001-10,000
3. $10,001-25,000
4. $25,001-50,000
5. $50,001-100,000
6. $100,001-250,000
7. More than $250,000
8. DK
9. REF

HOME  Which of the following best describes your house or apartment?  Is it owned or being bought, rented, or occupied by some other arrangement by you?
1. Owned or being bought
2. Rented
3. Other arrangement
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

NUM_LANDLINE (DROPPED-COMBINED FOR NEW VARIABLE LANDLINES)  The next few questions are about the telephone numbers in your household.  Do you have any other home phone numbers in addition to (XXX) XXX-XXXX?  Please do not include cellular phones in your answers.

INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: COUNT BUSINESS TELEPHONE NUMBERS THAT RING TO THE HOUSEHOLD IF THEY ARE USED OCCASIONALLY FOR HOME USE.
1. YES
2. NO
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

NUM_RES_LL  (DROPPED-COMBINED FOR NEW VARIABLE LANDLINES) How many telephone numbers are residential numbers?
1. ONE
2. TWO
3. THREE OR MORE
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

INTER_LL  During the past 12 months, has your household been without telephone service for 1 week or more? Please do not include cellular phones in your answer.  Do not include interruptions of phone service due to weather or natural disasters.
1. YES
2. NO
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

NUM_CELL (DROPPED-COMBINED FOR NEW VARIABLE LANDLINES)  The next few questions are about the telephones in your household.  Do you have a landline telephone in your household?  [READ IF NECESSARY: Please do not include: Modem-only lines,  Fax-only lines, Lines used just for home security systems, Beepers, Skype, Pagers, or cell phones. Please include Voice Over I.P. or VOIP numbers.]
1.  YES
2.  NO
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

NUM_RES_CELL (DROPPED-COMBINED FOR NEW VARIABLE LANDLINES)  How many landline telephone numbers are residential numbers?
1.  ONE
2.  TWO
3.  THREE OR MORE
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

LANDLINES: Number of home phones in household. (Combines NUM_LANDLINE; NUM_RES_LL; NUM_CELL; NUM_RES_CELL)
1.  ONE
2.  TWO
3.  THREE OR MORE
4.  NONE
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

NUM_PERS_CELL   Next, I have a question about cell phones.  In total, how many working cell phones do YOU have available for your personal use?  [DON'T COUNT OLD PHONES R MAY BE HOLDING ONTO BUT NOT USING, AND DON'T COUNT PHONES THAT R USES PREDOMINANTLY FOR BUSINESS PURPOSES.]
1.  ONE
2.  TWO
3.  THREE OR MORE
4.  NONE
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

BORN (DROPPED-COMBINED FOR NEW VARIABLE CITIZEN_R) Were you born in the United States?
1.  YES
2.  NO
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

CITIZEN  (DROPPED-COMBINED FOR NEW VARIABLE CITIZEN_R) What country's citizenship do you currently hold? (CODE RESPONSE; SELECT ALL THAT APPLY)
1.  UNITED STATES
2.  MEXICO
3.  CHINA
4.  INDIA
5.  PHILIPPINES
6.  VIETNAM
7.  EL SALVADOR
8.  CUBA
9.  SOUTH KOREA
10. DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
11. GUATEMALA
12. OTHER (SPECIFY):
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

CITIZEN_R: Combines BORN & CITIZEN
1.  US citizen
2.  Non-US citizen
77. Don't Know
99. Refused

PARTY_AFFIL   Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as a Republican, Democrat, Independent, or what?
1.  REPUBLICAN    [GO TO PARTY_STRENGTH]
2.  DEMOCRAT     [GO TO PARTY_STRENGTH]
3.  INDEPENDENT  [GO TO PARTY_CLOSER]
4.  IF VOLUNTEERED: OTHER  [GO TO WORK_SIT]
77. DON'T KNOW  [GO TO WORK_SIT]
99. REFUSED    [GO TO WORK_SIT]

PARTY_AFFIL_R: Recode of PARTY_AFFIL
1.  Republican
2.  Democrat
3.  Independent
4.  Other/DK/RF

PARTY_STRENGTH Would you call yourself a strong [party_affil] or not so strong [party_affil]?
 1. STRONG
 2. NOT VERY STRONG
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

PARTY_CLOSER Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican or Democratic Party?

UNIVERSE: R is not republican/democrat
1. CLOSER TO REPUBLICAN PARTY
2. CLOSER TO DEMOCRATIC PARTY
3. IF VOLUNTEERED, NEITHER
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

PARTY_ID: Recode of PARTY_AFFIL, PARTY_STRENGTH & PARTY_CLOSER (7 CATEGORIES)
1. Strong Democrat
2. Not very strong Democrat
3. Independent Democrat
4. Pure independent
5. Independent Republican
6. Not very strong Republican
7. Strong republican

PARTY_ID1: Recode of PARTY_AFFIL (5 CATEGORIES)
1. Strong Democrat
2. Weak or indep Democrat
3. Pure independent
4. Weak or indep Republican
5. Strong Republican

PARTY_ID2: Recode of PARTY_ID (3 CATEGORIES)
1. Democrat
2. Independent
3. Republican
4. Oth/DK/Ref

WORK_SIT   (DROPPED-CREATED NEW VARIABLE WORK_SIT_R)  How would you describe your current employment status?
1. Employed full time
2. Employed part time
3. Unemployed / Looking for work
4. Student
5. Homemaker
6. Retired
7. IF VOLUNTEERED: OTHER
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

WORK_SIT_R: Recode of WORK_SIT
1. Employed [GO TO WISH_HOURS]
2. Not employed [GO TO ACTIVE_MIL]
3. Not in labor force [GO TO ACTIVE_MIL]

4. Oth/DK/Ref [GO TO ACTIVE_MIL]
77. Don't Know [GO TO ACTIVE_MIL]
99. Refused [GO TO ACTIVE_MIL]

WISH_HOURS  Do you wish you were working more hours, fewer hours, or is the number of hours you're working about right?
1. MORE HOURS
2. LESS HOURS
3. ABOUT RIGHT NUMBER OF HOURS
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

TYPE_EMP  (DROPPED-CREATED NEW VARIABLE TYPE_EMP_R) What type of employer do you work for?
1. GOVERNMENT [NOT A MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES]
2. PRIVATE FOR PROFIT COMPANY
3. NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION [INCLUDING TAX EXEMPT AND CHARITABLE]
4. WORKING WITHOUT PAY IN A FAMILY BUSINESS OR FARM
5. SELF EMPLOYED
6. MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

TYPE_EMP_R: Recode of TYPE_EMP

1. Government [Not military]
2. Private for-profit company
3. Non-profit organization [Including tax-exempt and charitable]
4. Other
77. Don't Know
99. Refused

NUM_EMP  As far as you know, about how many employees does your employer have working at all of its  locations -- under 50 employees, between 50 and 5,000 or more than 5,000 employees?
1. UNDER 50 EMPLOYEES
2. BETWEEN 50 AND 5,000 EMPLOYEES
3. MORE THAN 5,000 EMPLOYEES
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

EVER_MIL   Have you ever served on active military duty?
1. YES
2. NO
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

VOTE Which one of the following best describes what you did in the elections that were held November 6th?
1. Did not vote in the elections [GO TO VOTE_NO]
2. Voted in person, voted by mail, or voted in some other way [GO TO VOTE_YES]
3. Not completely sure whether you voted or not [GO TO VOTE_UNSURE]
77. DON'T KNOW [GO TO VOTE_UNSURE]
99. REFUSED [GO TO VOTE_UNSURE]

VOTE_UNSURE If you had to guess, would you say that you probably did vote in the elections, or probably did not vote in the elections?
1. PROBABLY DID VOTE [GO TO VOTE_YES]
2. PROBABLY DID NOT [GO TO VOTE_NO]
77. DON'T KNOW  [GO TO IDEA GOV]
99. REFUSED  [GO TO IDEA GOV]

VOTE_YES  Who did you vote for, Barack Obama, Mitt Romney, or somebody else?
1. BARACK OBAMA
2. MITT ROMNEY
3. SOMEBODY ELSE
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

VOTE_NO  Even if you did not vote, who did you prefer, Barack Obama, Mitt Romney, or somebody else?
1. BARACK OBAMA
2. MITT ROMNEY
3. SOMEBODY ELSE
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

Now thinking about the federal government's actions in response to issues facing the U.S., please tell me if you think each of the following was a good idea or bad idea in general.

IDEA_GOV  First, what about government aid to banks and major financial institutions that were in danger of failing?
(READ IF NECESSARY: Do you think it was a good idea or a bad idea in general?)
1. GOOD IDEA
2. BAD IDEA
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

IDEA_LOANS What about government loans to U.S. automakers that were in danger of going bankrupt?

(READ IF NECESSARY: Do you think it was a good idea or a bad idea in general?)
1.   GOOD IDEA
2.   BAD IDEA
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

IDEA_AID  Government aid to state and local governments so that they could put people to work?
(READ IF NECESSARY: Do you think it was a good idea or a bad idea in general?)
1.   GOOD IDEA
2.   BAD IDEA
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

SINCERE_BO In dealing with the problems facing this country, do you think Barack Obama did or did not make a sincere effort to work with the Republicans in Congress to find solutions that are acceptable to both parties?
1.   DID MAKE A SINCERE EFFORT
2.   DID NOT MAKE A SINCERE EFFORT
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

SINCERE_REP Do you think the Republicans in Congress did or did not make a sincere effort to work with Barack Obama and the Democrats in Congress to find solutions that are acceptable to both parties?
1.   DID MAKE A SINCERE EFFORT
2.   DID NOT MAKE A SINCERE EFFORT
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

SINCERE_DEM Do you think the Democrats in Congress did or did not make a sincere effort to work with the Republicans in Congress to find solutions that are acceptable to both parties?
1.   DID MAKE A SINCERE EFFORT
2.   DID NOT MAKE A SINCERE EFFORT
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

PROB_TERROR I am going to read a list of some possible problems facing the United States.  For each one, please say whether you believe it is very important, somewhat important, or not very important at all.
International terrorism
1.   VERY IMPORTANT
2.   SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT
3.   NOT VERY IMPORTANT AT ALL
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

PROB_UNEMP  Unemployment
(READ IF NECESSARY: Is this problem facing the U.S. very important, somewhat important, or not very important at all?)
1.  VERY IMPORTANT
2.  SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT
3.  NOT VERY IMPORTANT AT ALL
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

PROB_CLIM Climate change
(READ IF NECESSARY: Is this problem facing the U.S. very important, somewhat important, or not very important at all?)
1.  VERY IMPORTANT
2.  SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT
3.  NOT VERY IMPORTANT AT ALL
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

PROB_CHILD Child poverty
(READ IF NECESSARY: Is this problem facing the U.S. very important, somewhat important, or not very important at all?)
1.  VERY IMPORTANT
2.  SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT
3.  NOT VERY IMPORTANT AT ALL
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

PROB_INFL Inflation
(READ IF NECESSARY: Is this problem facing the U.S. very important, somewhat important, or not very important at all?)
1.  VERY IMPORTANT
2.  SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT
3.  NOT VERY IMPORTANT AT ALL
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

PROB_EDU Education
(READ IF NECESSARY: Is this problem facing the U.S. very important, somewhat important, or not very important at all?)
1.  VERY IMPORTANT
2.  SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT
3.  NOT VERY IMPORTANT AT ALL
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

PROB_BUDGET Budget deficits
(READ IF NECESSARY: Is this problem facing the U.S. very important, somewhat important, or not very important at all?)
1. VERY IMPORTANT
2. SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT
3. NOT VERY IMPORTANT AT ALL
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

PROB_HEALTH Health care
(READ IF NECESSARY: Is this problem facing the U.S. very important, somewhat important, or not very important at all?)
1. VERY IMPORTANT
2. SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT
3. NOT VERY IMPORTANT AT ALL
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

PROB_ENERGY Energy supplies
(READ IF NECESSARY: Is this problem facing the U.S. very important, somewhat important, or not very important at all?)
1. VERY IMPORTANT
2. SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT
3. NOT VERY IMPORTANT AT ALL
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

IMP_NOW What do you think is more important right now:
1. A. Having the federal government spend money and hold down taxes to try to encourage job creation, even if it adds to the federal budget deficit, or,
2. B. Having the federal government cut down the federal budget deficit, even if it means cutting spending or increasing taxes and discouraging job creation?
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

Each year the government in Washington has to make decisions about taxes, spending, and the deficit. We'd like to know your opinions about what the government should do about the budget. I'm going to read you three proposals and I'd like you to tell me whether or not you would favor each of them.

BUDGET_INC_TAXES
Would you favor increases in taxes paid by ordinary Americans in order to cut the federal budget deficit?
1. YES
2. NO
77. DON'T KNOW

99. REFUSED

**BUDGET_CUTS_DOM**
Would you favor cuts in spending on domestic programs like Medicare, education, and highways in order to cut the federal budget deficit?
1. YES
2. NO
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

**BUDGET_CUTS_DEF**
Would you favor cuts in spending on national defense in order to cut the federal budget deficit?
1. YES
2. NO
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

Now I'm going to read you three more proposals for the government budget and I'd like you to tell me whether or not you would favor each of them.

**BUDGET_CUT_TAXES**
An increase in the federal budget deficit in order to cut the taxes paid by ordinary Americans?
1. YES
2. NO
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

**BUDGET_DOM**
(Would you favor) An increase in the federal budget deficit in order to increase spending on domestic programs like Medicare, education, and highways?
1. YES
2. NO
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

**BUDGET_INC_DEF**
(Would you favor) An increase in the federal budget deficit in order to increase spending on national defense?
1. YES
2. NO
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

**TAX_RATE** Do you think that the federal income tax rates for households making more than $250,000 per year should be increased, decreased, or kept at the current level?
1. INCREASED

2. DECREASED
3. KEPT AT THE CURRENT LEVEL
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED


HC_INS In the area of health care, what do you think the government should do? You can respond with a 'yes' or 'no.'

Require that all people buy health insurance
1. YES
2. NO
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

HC_BUS (Should the government…)
Require that all businesses provide insurance for their employees
1. YES
2. NO
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

HC_MEDICAID (Should the government…)
Require that states expand Medicaid to cover more people.
1. YES
2. NO
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

HC_PAY (Should the government…)
Pay for health care for all Americans.
1. YES
2. NO
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

HC_CONTRACEPT (Should the government…)
Require insurance companies to pay for contraceptives.
1. YES
2. NO
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

HC_OVER65 (Should the government…)
Pay for health care for all Americans over 65.
1. YES

2. NO
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

HC_POVERTY (Should the government…)
Pay for health care for all Americans who are in poverty.
1. YES
2. NO
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

HC_DRUG (Should the government…)
Cover drug bills for senior citizens
1. YES
2. NO
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

HC_PREEXIST (Should the government…)
Prohibit insurance companies from denying health insurance coverage because of a person's
pre-existing condition
1. YES
2. NO
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

HC_PLAN25 (Should the government…)
Require insurance companies to cover children on their parent's health insurance plans through
age 25
1. YES
2. NO
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

HC_ MANCARE (Should the government…)
Change Medicare from fee for service (doctor is paid for each visit and service) to managed care
(doctor is paid a set amount for treating a health problem, regardless of number of visits)
1. YES
2. NO
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

MED_FUTURE Which of these two descriptions comes closer to your view of what Medicare
should be like in the future?

1. Option A: Medicare should continue as it is today for all people, with the government guaranteeing all seniors the same set of health insurance benefits and paying doctors and hospitals directly for the services they provide to seniors.
2. Option B: Medicare should be changed for people under age 55 to a system in which the government provides each senior a fixed amount of money to help them purchase coverage either from traditional Medicare or from a list of private health plans.
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

GAP_MID_POOR  Compared to twenty-five years ago, do you think there is a wider gap between the incomes of middle class people and poor people, a narrower gap between the incomes of middle class people and poor people, or has there not been much change?
1. WIDER GAP
2. NARROWER GAP
3. NOT MUCH CHANGE
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

GAP_MID_RICH Now think about middle class and rich people.  Compared to twenty-five years ago, do you think there is a wider gap between the incomes of middle class people and rich people, a narrower gap between the incomes of middle class people and rich people, or has there not been much change?
1. WIDER GAP
2. NARROWER GAP
3. NOT MUCH CHANGE
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

INC_DIF Do you agree or disagree that differences in income in America are too large?
1. AGREE
2. DISAGREE
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

GAP_REP Now I want you to think about the gap between the incomes of middle-class people and rich people.  I am going to read you a list of people and groups, and I want you to tell me how much responsibility you think each of them bears for the gap between people with higher incomes and people with lower incomes– a great deal, some, not much, or none at all?

Let's start with the policies of the Republican Party and Presidents Ronald Reagan, George Bush, and George W. Bush.  Do they bear a great deal of responsibility, some responsibility, not much responsibility, or no responsibility at all for the gap between people with higher incomes and people with lower incomes?
1. A GREAT DEAL OF RESPONSIBILITY
2. SOME RESPONSIBILITY
3. NOT MUCH RESPONSIBILITY

4. NONE AT ALL
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

GAP_DEM  What about the policies of the Democratic Party and Presidents Bill Clinton and Barack Obama?
(READ IF NECESSARY: Do they bear a great deal of responsibility, some responsibility, not much responsibility, or no responsibility at all for the gap between people with higher incomes and people with lower incomes?)
1. A GREAT DEAL OF RESPONSIBILITY
2. SOME RESPONSIBILITY
3. NOT MUCH RESPONSIBILITY
4. NONE AT ALL
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

GAP_BUS What about the practices of business corporations?
(READ IF NECESSARY: Do they bear a great deal of responsibility, some responsibility, not much responsibility, or no responsibility at all for the gap between people with higher incomes and people with lower incomes?)
1. A GREAT DEAL OF RESPONSIBILITY
2. SOME RESPONSIBILITY
3. NOT MUCH RESPONSIBILITY
4. NONE AT ALL
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

GAP_LABOR The practices of labor unions?
(READ IF NECESSARY: Do they bear a great deal of responsibility, some responsibility, not much responsibility, or no responsibility at all for the gap between people with higher incomes and people with lower incomes?)
1. A GREAT DEAL OF RESPONSIBILITY
2. SOME RESPONSIBILITY
3. NOT MUCH RESPONSIBILITY
4. NONE AT ALL
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

GAP_WORKERS The educational and occupational choices of workers?
(READ IF NECESSARY: Do they bear a great deal of responsibility, some responsibility, not much responsibility, or no responsibility at all for the gap between people with higher incomes and people with lower incomes?)
1. A GREAT DEAL OF RESPONSIBILITY
2. SOME RESPONSIBILITY
3. NOT MUCH RESPONSIBILITY
4. NONE AT ALL

77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

OPP_LIBERTY  If you had to choose, is it more important for the country to achieve more equal opportunity or to achieve greater liberty?
1.   MORE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY
2.   GREATER LIBERTY
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

ROLE_GOV Which of these statements is closer to your own opinion?
1.   One, the less government the better, or,
2.   Two, there are more things that government should be doing.
3.   IF VOLUNTEERED: NEITHER
77. DON'T KNOW
 99. REFUSED

REP  When it comes to government, would you:
1.   One, like YOUR representatives in Washington to stand by their principles even if it means little gets done, or
2.   Two, would you like YOUR representatives in Washington to work with others to get things done even if it means a compromise that includes things you don't like?
3.   IF VOLUNTEERED: NEITHER
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

HH_HEALTH Do you or does anybody in your household work in the health care industry?
1.   YES [GO TO HH_HOSPITAL]
2.   NO [GO TO GEN_ELDERLY]
77. DON'T KNOW[GO TO HH_HOSPITAL]
99. REFUSED [GO TO HH_HOSPITAL]

HH_HOSPITAL Do you or does a member of your household work for a hospital, as or for a health care provider, for a health insurance company, or for some other kind of health care company?
1.   YES
2.   NO
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

GEN_ELDERLY Right now, do you think the elderly are getting more than their fair share, less than their fair share, or about their fair share of benefits from the federal government?
1.   MORE
2.   LESS
3.   ABOUT THEIR FAIR SHARE
77. DON'T KNOW

99. REFUSED

GEN_YOUNG Do you think that young people are getting more than their fair share, less than their fair share, or about their fair share of benefits from the federal government?
1. MORE
2. LESS
3. ABOUT THEIR FAIR SHARE
77. DON'T KNOW
99. REFUSED

# Appendix C: R, SAS, and STATA Programs

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#####################################################################
# R Script for Analysis of the 2012 NORC Presidential Election Study #
#####################################################################
#
library(survey)
library(Hmisc)
#
# Read in data
#
setwd("d:/data") #Set the path
npes<-read.csv("electionstudy2012.csv",header=TRUE) #Read comma delimited data file
names(npes)
#
# Establish factor variables
#
CAN_PREFlevels=c(1:4,77,99)
CAN_PREFlabels=c(" Barack Obama"," Mitt Romney"," Some Other Candidate"," Undecided"," DK"," Refused")
npes$CAN_PREF_I=factor(npes$CAN_PREF_I,levels=CAN_PREFlevels,labels=CAN_PREFlabels,exclude=NULL)
PARTY_AFFIL_Rlevels=c(1:4)
PARTY_AFFIL_Rlabels=c("Republican","Democrat","Independent","Other/DK/RF")
npes$PARTY_AFFIL_R_I=factor(npes$PARTY_AFFIL_R_I, levels=PARTY_AFFIL_Rlevels,labels=PARTY_AFFIL_Rlabels,exclude=NULL)
AGElevels=c(1:4,77)
AGElabels=c("18-29 Years","30-54 Years","55-64 Years","65+ Years","DK")
npes$AGE_CAT_I=factor(npes$AGE_CAT_I,levels=AGElevels,labels=AGElabels,exclude=NULL)
SOC_SEClevels=c(1:2,77,99)
SOC_SEClabels=c("Change the Program","Keep Program as Is","DK","Refused")
npes$SOC_SEC_I=factor(npes$SOC_SEC_I,levels=SOC_SEClevels,labels=SOC_SEClabels,exclude=NULL)
npes$MED_FUTURE_II[npes$MED_FUTURE_II==2] = 3 #Recode Medicare so that it and Social Security are harmonized
npes$MED_FUTURE_II[npes$MED_FUTURE_II==1] = 2
npes$MED_FUTURE_II[npes$MED_FUTURE_II==3] = 1
MED_FUTURElevels=c(1:2,77,99)
MED_FUTURElabels=c("Change the Program","Keep Program as Is","DK","Refused")
npes$MED_FUTURE_II=factor(npes$MED_FUTURE_II,levels=MED_FUTURElevels,labels=MED_FUTURElabels,exclude=NULL)
#
# Specify the design: strata, PSUs, and weights.
# Note that cases are PSUs.
# Case identifiers are unique across all strata.
# Reponses to Wave I and Wave II are represented by different variables within a case.
#
npes.design<-svydesign(ids=~CASE_ID,weights=~WAVE1_WT,strata=~VSTRATUM,data=npes)
#
#Calculate and display estimated percents and standard errors for Table 1
#
t1=svymean(~CAN_PREF_I,design=npes.design)
Table1=round(ftable(t1)*100, 2)
attr(Table1, "dimnames")[[1]] <- gsub("CAN_PREF_I", "", attr(Table1, "dimnames")[[1]])
attr(Table1, "dimnames")[[2]] <- c("Mean", "SE")
prn(Table1, "Table 1. Candidate Preference: 2012 NORC Presidential Election Study\n\n")
#
#Calculate and display estimated percents and standard errors for Table 1
#
t2=svyby( ~CAN_PREF_I, by = ~PARTY_AFFIL_R_I,design=npes.design,FUN=svymean)
Table2=round(ftable(t2)*100,2)
attr(Table2, "col.vars")[[1]] <- gsub("CAN_PREF_I", "   ", attr(Table2, "col.vars")[[1]])
names(attr(Table2, "row.vars")) <- c("", "")
attr(Table2, "row.vars")[[2]] <- c("Mean", "SE")
prn(Table2,"Table 2. Candidate Preference by Party Affiliation: 2012 NORC Presidential Election Study\n\n")
#
#Calculate and display estimated percents and standard errors for Table 3
#
t3<-svymean(~SOC_SEC_I,design=npes.design)
Table3=round(ftable(t3)*100, 2)
attr(Table3, "dimnames")[[1]] <- gsub("SOC_SEC_I", "", attr(Table3, "dimnames")[[1]])
attr(Table3, "dimnames")[[2]] <- c("Mean", "SE")
prn(Table3, "Table 3. Social Security Reform: 2012 NORC Presidential Election Study\n\n")
#
#Calculate and display estimated percents and standard errors for Table 4
#
npesII<-subset(npes,WAVE2_WT>0)
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npesII.design<-svydesign(ids=~CASE_ID,weights=~WAVE2_WT,strata=~VSTRATUM,data=npesII)
t4<-svymean(~MED_FUTURE_II,design=npesII.design)
Table4=round(ftable(t4)*100, 2)
attr(Table4, "dimnames")[[1]] <- gsub("MED_FUTURE_II", "", attr(Table4, "dimnames")[[1]])
attr(Table4, "dimnames")[[2]] <- c("Mean", "SE")
prn(Table4, "Table 4. Medicare Reform: 2012 NORC Presidential Election Study\n\n")
#
#Calculate and display estimated percents and standard errors for Table 5
#
t5=svyby(~SOC_SEC_I,by=~AGE_CAT_I,design=npes.design, FUN=svymean)
Table5=round(ftable(t5)*100,2)
attr(Table5, "col.vars")[[1]] <- gsub("SOC_SEC_I", "", attr(Table5, "col.vars")[[1]])
names(attr(Table5, "row.vars")) <- c("", "")
attr(Table5, "row.vars")[[2]] <- c("Mean", "SE")
prn(Table5,"Table 5. Social Security Reform by Respondent Age: 2012 NORC Presidential Election Study\n\n")
#
#Calculate and display estimated percents and standard errors for Table 6
#
t6=svyby(~MED_FUTURE_II,by=AGE_CAT_I,design=npesII.design, FUN=svymean)
Table6=round(ftable(t6)*100,2)
attr(Table6, "col.vars")[[1]] <- gsub("MED_FUTURE_II", "", attr(Table6, "col.vars")[[1]])
names(attr(Table6, "row.vars")) <- c("", "")
attr(Table6, "row.vars")[[2]] <- c("Mean", "SE")
prn(Table6,"Table 6. Medicare Reform by Respondent Age: 2012 NORC Presidential Election Study\n\n")
#
#Exit R
#
q()


########################################################################
# Stata Script for Analysis of the 2012 NORC Presidential Election Study #
########################################################################
use "electionstudy2012.dta", clear
        svyset [pweight=WAVE1_WT], strata(VSTRATUM) psu(CASE_ID)
        display "Table 1. Candidate Preference: 2012 NORC Presidential Election Study"
        svy: tab CAN_PREF_I, count se missing stubwidth(25) format(%12.0fc)
        svy: tab CAN_PREF_I, percent se missing stubwidth(25) format(%12.2f)
        qui svy: proportion CAN_PREF_I,  missing
                estat effects

        display "Table 2. Candidate Preference by Party Affiliation: 2012 NORC Presidential Election Study"
        forvalues i=1/4  {
        di "CAN_PREF_I by PARTY_AFFIL_R_I, subpop=`i'"
        svy, subpop(if PARTY_AFFIL_R_I==`i'): tab CAN_PREF_I, count se stubwidth(25) format(%12.0fc)
        svy, subpop(if PARTY_AFFIL_R_I==`i'): tab CAN_PREF_I, percent se missing stubwidth(25) format(%12.2f)
        qui svy, subpop(if PARTY_AFFIL_R_I==`i'): proportion CAN_PREF_I,
                estat effects
                                                }

        display "Table 3. Social Security Reform: 2012 NORC Presidential Election Study"
        svy: tab SOC_SEC_I, percent se missing stubwidth(25) format(%12.2f)
        svy: tab SOC_SEC_I, count se missing stubwidth(25) format(%12.0fc)
        qui svy: proportion SOC_SEC_I,  missing
                estat effects

        svyset [pweight=WAVE2_WT], strata(VSTRATUM) psu(CASE_ID)
        display "Table 4. Medicare Reform: 2012 NORC Presidential Election Study"
        svy: tab MED_FUTURE_II, percent se missing stubwidth(25) format(%12.2f)
        svy: tab MED_FUTURE_II, count se missing stubwidth(25) format(%12.0fc)
        qui svy: proportion MED_FUTURE_II,  missing
                estat effects

        svyset [pweight=WAVE1_WT], strata(VSTRATUM) psu(CASE_ID)
        display "Table 5. Social Security Reform by Respondent Age: 2012 NORC Presidential Election Study"
        foreach i in 1 2 3 4 77  {
        di "SOC_SEC_I by AGE_CAT_I, subpop=`i'"
        svy, subpop(if AGE_CAT_I==`i'): tab SOC_SEC_I, count se stubwidth(25) format(%12.0fc)
        svy, subpop(if AGE_CAT_I==`i'): tab SOC_SEC_I, percent se missing stubwidth(25) format(%12.2f)
        qui svy, subpop(if AGE_CAT_I==`i'): proportion SOC_SEC_I,
                estat effects
                                                }

        svyset [pweight=WAVE2_WT], strata(VSTRATUM) psu(CASE_ID)
        display "Table 6. Medicare Reform by Respondent Age: 2012 NORC Presidential Election Study"
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foreach i in 1 2 3 4 77  {
di "MED_FUTURE_II by AGE_CAT_I, subpop=`i'"
svy, subpop(if AGE_CAT_I==`i'): tab MED_FUTURE_II, count se stubwidth(25) format(%12.0fc)
svy, subpop(if AGE_CAT_I==`i'): tab MED_FUTURE_II, percent se missing stubwidth(25) format(%12.2f)
qui svy, subpop(if AGE_CAT_I==`i'): proportion MED_FUTURE_II,
          estat effects
                                    }
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#####################################################################
# SAS Script for Analysis of the 2012 NORC Presidential Election Study #
#####################################################################
        proc surveyfreq data= electionstudy2012/*missing*/ nosummary ;
        title "Table 1. Candidate Preference: 2012 NORC Presidential Election Study";
        table CAN_PREF_I /  DEFF  ;
        strata VSTRATUM ;
        cluster  CASE_ID;
        weight WAVE1_WT;
        run;


        proc surveyfreq data = electionstudy2012/*missing*/ nosummary varheader= namelabel ;
        title "Table 2. Candidate Preference by Party Affiliation: 2012 NORC Presidential Election Study";
        table    PARTY_AFFIL_R_I*CAN_PREF_I        /
        row  nocellpercent nototal  ;
        strata VSTRATUM;
        cluster CASE_ID;
        weight WAVE1_WT;
        run;


        proc surveyfreq data= electionstudy2012/*missing*/ nosummary;
        title "Table 3. Social Security Reform: 2012 NORC Presidential Election Study";
        table SOC_SEC_I  /  DEFF  ;
        cluster  CASE_ID;
        strata VSTRATUM ;
        weight WAVE1_WT;
        run;


        proc surveyfreq data= electionstudy2012/*missing*/ nosummary;
        title "Table 4. Medicare Reform: 2012 NORC Presidential Election Study";
        table MED_FUTURE_II        /  DEFF  ;
        cluster  CASE_ID;
        strata VSTRATUM ;
        weight WAVE2_WT;
        run;


        proc surveyfreq data = electionstudy2012/*missing*/ varheader= namelabel nosummary;
        title "Table 5. Social Security Reform by Respondent Age: 2012 NORC Presidential Election Study";
        table    AGE_CAT_I*SOC_SEC_I        /
        row  nocellpercent nototal  ;
        strata VSTRATUM;
        cluster CASE_ID;
        weight WAVE1_WT;
        run;


        proc surveyfreq data = electionstudy2012/*missing*/ varheader= namelabel nosummary;
        title "Table 6. Medicare Reform by Respondent Age: 2012 NORC Presidential Election Study";
        table    AGE_CAT_I*MED_FUTURE_II        /
        row  nocellpercent nototal  ;
        strata VSTRATUM;
        cluster CASE_ID;
        weight WAVE2_WT;
        run;
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