

Democracy Corps Frequency Questionnaire

March 13-17, 2011

1000 Likely Voters in Battleground Districts¹

500 Likely 2012 Voters in Tier 1

500 Likely 2012 Voters in Tier 2

Q.4 First of all, are you registered to vote at this address?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2
Yes.....	100	100	100
No	-	-	-
(Refused)	-	-	-
(ref:SCREEN1)			

Q.5 Many people weren't able to vote in the 2008 election for president between Barack Obama and John McCain. How about you? Were you able to vote, or for some reason were you unable to vote?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2
Voted.....	97	97	97
Not registered in 2008/Ineligible/too young.....	3	3	3
Did not vote.....	-	-	-
(Can't remember/Don't know)	-	-	-
(Refused)	-	-	-
(ref:VOTE08)			

Q.6 Many people weren't able to vote in the election for Congress and other offices last November. How about you? Were you able to vote, or for some reason were you unable to vote?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2
Voted.....	90	90	90
Not registered in 2010/Ineligible/too young.....	2	2	1
Did not vote.....	7	8	7
(Can't remember/Don't know)	1	0	2
(Refused)	-	-	-
(ref:VOTE2010)			

¹ Survey conducted in 50 battleground house districts March 13-17, 2011. Tier 1 and Tier 2 each include 25 districts. For a list of districts please see accompanying document, or our website at <http://www.democracycorps.com/wp-content/files/DISTRICTS.pdf>. Margin of error of entire sample is +/- 3.1%. Margin of error in each tier is +/- 4.5%.

Q.7 I know it is a long way off, but what are the chances of your voting in the election for President and Congress in 2012: are you almost certain to vote, will you probably vote, are the chances 50-50, or don't you think you will vote?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2
Almost certain	92	90	94
Probably	8	10	6
50-50	-	-	-
Will not vote	-	-	-
(Don't know)	-	-	-
(Refused)	-	-	-
(ref:CP10)			

Q.9 Generally speaking, do you think that things in this country are going in the right direction, or do you feel things have gotten pretty seriously off on the wrong track?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2
Right direction	28	32	25
Wrong track.....	62	58	66
(Don't know/Refused).....	9	10	9
Right - Wrong	-34	-27	-42
(ref:DIRECT)			

Q.10 Do you approve or disapprove of the job being done by Barack Obama as president?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2
Strongly approve	25	27	24
Somewhat approve	23	23	23
Somewhat disapprove	10	10	10
Strongly disapprove	37	36	39
(Don't know/Refused).....	5	4	5
Total approve	48	50	46
Total disapprove	47	45	49
(ref:BOAPP)			

Q.11 Do you approve or disapprove of the way (HOUSE INCUMBENT) is handling his/her job as a member of the U.S. Congress?¹

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2
Strongly approve	15	15	15
Somewhat approve	23	23	22
Somewhat disapprove	9	10	9
Strongly disapprove	15	15	15
(Don't know/Refused).....	38	36	39
Total approve	38	39	37
Total disapprove	25	25	24
(ref:CONGAPP)			

¹ Incumbent names were inserted with party identification.

Q.12 Now, I'd like to rate your feelings toward some people and organizations, with one hundred meaning a VERY WARM, FAVORABLE feeling; zero meaning a VERY COLD, UNFAVORABLE feeling; and fifty meaning not particularly warm or cold. You can use any number from zero to one hundred, the higher the number, the more favorable your feelings are toward that person or organization. If you have no opinion or never heard of that person or organization, please say so.

	Mean	% Warm	% Cool	% >75	% <26	% ID	Warm - Cool
12 The Republican Party	46.0	37	43	14	28	98	-6
Tier 1	47.1	39	40	14	27	99	-1
Tier 2	44.9	35	45	14	28	97	-10
13 The Democratic Party	45.9	39	44	17	31	97	-5
Tier 1	47.2	42	42	18	30	98	.
Tier 2	44.6	35	46	16	32	97	-11
14 Democrats in Congress	44.2	37	45	15	32	97	-9
Tier 1	45.6	38	44	15	30	97	-5
Tier 2	42.8	35	47	14	34	98	-12
15 Barack Obama	52.0	51	41	34	33	99	10
Tier 1	53.5	54	40	38	32	99	14
Tier 2	50.4	49	42	31	34	99	7
16 (REPUBLICAN HOUSE INCUMBENT) ²	50.4	31	24	13	16	73	6
Tier 1	50.4	32	26	13	17	75	6
Tier 2	50.4	30	23	13	15	70	7
17 John Boehner - the Republican leader of the House.....	47.3	35	32	15	25	82	2
Tier 1	48.6	37	31	16	24	82	5
Tier 2	46.1	33	34	15	26	82	-1
18 The Republican Congress	45.6	37	43	15	29	96	-5
Tier 1	46.6	38	41	16	26	96	-3
Tier 2	44.5	37	44	14	31	96	-8
19 The N.R.A., or National Rifle Association	53.3	45	31	26	25	91	14
Tier 1	51.6	43	31	25	26	91	11
Tier 2	55.0	47	30	28	24	92	17
20 Pro-life, anti-abortion groups.....	48.1	37	40	26	33	96	-3
Tier 1	47.2	36	42	26	34	96	-6
Tier 2	49.0	39	38	27	32	95	1
21 Gay marriage	44.6	35	42	26	38	93	-7
Tier 1	46.6	37	39	27	35	94	-2
Tier 2	42.6	33	45	25	41	93	-11

² The incumbent name was inserted without party identification.

	Mean	% Warm	% Cool	% >75	% <26	% ID	Warm - Cool
22 The state of the economy	33.6	19	64	4	42	98	-46
Tier 1	35.2	21	62	4	40	98	-41
Tier 2	32.0	16	67	3	43	98	-51
23 The Tea Party movement	44.3	36	43	21	34	92	-7
Tier 1	44.2	36	44	22	35	93	-8
Tier 2	44.5	35	42	20	34	90	-6
24 Labor Unions.....	48.5	39	40	22	30	95	-2
Tier 1	50.4	40	39	24	27	95	1
Tier 2	46.7	38	42	21	32	95	-4
[500 Respondents]							
25 (SPLIT A) Public employees	60.1	52	21	25	12	93	30
Tier 1	60.1	54	22	27	12	96	32
Tier 2	60.2	50	21	24	11	91	29
[500 Respondents]							
26 (SPLIT B) Public employee unions	47.9	37	39	23	30	93	-2
Tier 1	50.5	43	37	24	27	95	6
Tier 2	45.2	32	41	22	32	90	-9
27 Wisconsin Governor Scott Walker	46.6	32	34	22	28	75	-2
Tier 1	47.1	32	33	23	28	74	-1
Tier 2	46.2	32	34	22	29	76	-2

(ref:THERM04/THERM204)

Q.28 I know it's a long way off, but thinking about the election for Congress in November 2012, if the election for U.S. Congress were held today, would you be voting for -- The Democratic candidate or Republican (HOUSE INCUMBENT)?³

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2
Democratic House Candidate	39	40	37
Lean Democratic House Candidate	5	5	5
Republican House Incumbent.....	42	43	42
Lean Republican House Incumbent.....	4	3	5
(Other candidate)	2	2	2
Lean (Other candidate)	0	0	0
(Undecided)	6	5	7
(Refused)	1	2	1
Total Democratic House Candidate.....	44	46	42
Total Republican House Incumbent.....	46	45	47
Total (Other candidate).....	2	2	2

(ref:CONG10)

³ Incumbent names were inserted with party identification. Generic challengers were inserted as The Democratic Candidate

Q.30 Even though you are not supporting the Democrat now, what are the chances that you might support The Democratic Candidate in the election for Congress in November -- is there a fair chance that you might support that candidate, a small chance, just a very slight chance, or no chance at all that you might support that candidate?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2
Fair chance	11	9	12
A small chance.....	11	11	10
Just a very slight chance.....	11	12	11
No chance at all	20	20	20
(Don't know/Refused).....	4	3	5
Democratic Candidate Supporter	44	46	42
(ref:CONG10C)			

Q.31 Even though you are not supporting Republican (HOUSE INCUMBENT) now, what are the chances that you might support (HOUSE INCUMBENT) in the election for Congress in November -- is there a fair chance that you might support that candidate, a small chance, just a very slight chance, or no chance at all that you might support that candidate?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2
Fair chance	8	8	8
A small chance.....	8	10	7
Just a very slight chance.....	12	11	12
No chance at all	22	23	20
(Don't know/Refused).....	4	3	6
Republican candidate Supporter.....	46	45	47
(ref:CONG10D)			

Q.32 Now, I am going to read you a list of words and phrases which people use to describe political figures. For each word or phrase, please tell me whether it describes (HOUSE INCUMBENT) very well, well, not too well or not well at all.⁴

	Very Well	Well	Not Too Well	Not Well At All	DK/Ref	Total Well	Total Not Well	Well - Not
[500 Respondents]								
32 (SPLIT A) Independent, does not toe the party line	8	24	25	16	27	32	41	-8
Tier 1	8	26	25	18	24	34	42	-9
Tier 2	8	23	24	14	31	31	39	-8
33 Sides with (his/her) party, and not with the center and moderate voters.....	16	27	20	10	28	43	29	14
Tier 1	16	27	20	10	27	43	30	13
Tier 2	17	26	19	10	29	43	28	14

⁴ Incumbent names were inserted without party identification.

	Very Well	Well	Not Too Well	Not Well At All	DK/Ref	Total Well	Total Not Well	Well - Not
[500 Respondents]								
34 (SPLIT B) Will work with members from both parties to get things done	11	31	21	13	24	42	34	8
Tier 1	10	30	19	14	26	41	33	7
Tier 2	12	31	24	11	23	43	35	8
[500 Respondents]								
35 (SPLIT A) Has the right approach to the economy and jobs.....	14	24	22	16	23	38	39	-1
Tier 1	14	27	25	15	19	41	40	0
Tier 2	13	22	20	17	28	35	37	-2
[500 Respondents]								
36 (SPLIT B) Honest and trustworthy	17	30	16	11	25	47	27	20
Tier 1	18	31	14	11	27	49	25	24
Tier 2	17	30	18	11	24	46	30	17
37 Is a typical politician	18	30	21	11	21	48	31	16
Tier 1	19	30	19	11	21	49	30	19
Tier 2	17	29	22	10	21	46	32	14
[500 Respondents]								
38 (SPLIT A) On your side.....	14	24	21	17	23	39	38	0
Tier 1	15	26	19	20	21	41	38	2
Tier 2	14	23	22	15	26	36	38	-1
[500 Respondents]								
39 (SPLIT B) Fights for people here.	15	32	19	13	21	48	32	16
Tier 1	16	30	20	13	21	46	33	13
Tier 2	15	34	18	12	21	49	30	19
[500 Respondents]								
40 (SPLIT B) Has the right approach to spending and deficits	13	24	24	14	24	37	38	-1
Tier 1	14	22	22	14	27	37	36	1
Tier 2	12	26	26	15	21	38	40	-2
[500 Respondents]								
41 (SPLIT A) Hardworking.....	25	31	12	8	25	56	19	37
Tier 1	26	31	12	8	23	57	21	36
Tier 2	24	31	11	7	27	55	18	38

(ref:TRAITS)

Q.42 Now I'm going to read you some pairs of statements. After I read each pair, please tell me whether the FIRST statement or the SECOND statement comes closer to your own view, even if neither is exactly right.⁵

	1st Stmt Strng	1st Not Strng	2nd Not Strng	2nd Stmt Strng	Both	Neither	DK/Ref	Total 1st Stmt	Total 2nd Stmt	1st - 2nd
42 Next year, I CAN'T vote to reelect (HOUSE INCUMBENT) because we need new people that will fix Washington and get things done. OR Next year, I WILL vote to reelect (HOUSE INCUMBENT) because (HE/SHE) is doing a good job and addressing issues that are important to us.....	32	13	12	28	0	3	12	45	40	5
Tier 1	32	12	13	26	0	3	12	45	40	5
Tier 2	31	14	11	29	0	3	12	44	40	5

[500 Respondents]

43 (SPLIT C) Next year, I really want to be able to vote for a Democrat for Congress because the Republicans have the wrong approach to cutting the deficit. OR Next year I will vote for (HOUSE INCUMBENT) because at least Republicans are addressing the deficit.....	34	8	11	39	-	3	6	42	50	-8
Tier 1	36	8	12	38	-	3	4	44	50	-6
Tier 2	32	8	10	40	-	2	8	40	50	-11

⁵ Incumbent names were inserted without party identification.

	1st Stmt Strng	1st Not Strng	2nd Not Strng	2nd Stmt Strng	Both	Neither	DK/Ref	Total 1st Stmt	Total 2nd Stmt	1st - 2nd
[500 Respondents]										
44 (SPLIT D) Next year, I really want to be able to vote for a Democrat for Congress because the Republicans have the wrong approach on the economy.										
OR										
Next year I will vote for (HOUSE INCUMBENT) because at least the Republicans are finally dealing with government spending.										
	36	8	10	35	-	5	7	44	44	-1
Tier 1	36	6	8	38	-	6	6	42	46	-5
Tier 2	36	10	11	32	-	4	7	46	43	3
45 The more I hear from Republicans in Congress like (HOUSE INCUMBENT), the less I like.										
OR										
The more I hear from Republicans in Congress like (HOUSE INCUMBENT), the more I like.....										
	32	12	14	28	0	3	12	44	42	2
Tier 1	33	12	13	28	0	2	11	45	41	4
Tier 2	31	11	15	28	-	3	12	43	42	0
46 If my member of Congress supports the Tea Party agenda, I'm less likely to support them.										
OR										
If my member of Congress supports the Tea Party agenda, I'm more likely to support them.										
	38	10	10	31	-	2	8	49	40	8
Tier 1	40	10	9	32	-	2	7	50	41	9
Tier 2	37	11	10	30	-	3	10	48	40	8
(ref:BGPAIRS)										

	1st Stmt Strng	1st Not Strng	2nd Not Strng	2nd Stmt Strng	Both	Neither	DK/Ref	Total 1st Stmt	Total 2nd Stmt	1st - 2nd
47 When it comes to the federal budget, I am more concerned that Republicans will go too far in cutting important programs.										
OR										
When it comes to the federal budget, I am more concerned that the Democrats will not go far enough in cutting spending.	38	8	8	39	1	2	4	46	47	0
Tier 1	37	9	8	38	1	2	4	46	46	0
Tier 2	39	8	7	40	1	2	3	47	47	-1

(ref:BGPAIRS1)

Q.48 Finally, I would like to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes. What is the last year of schooling that you have completed?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2
1 - 11th grade	2	1	2
High School graduate	23	23	23
Non-college post H.S.	1	2	1
Some college	25	25	25
College graduate	27	28	27
Post-graduate school	21	20	21
(Don't know/Refused)	1	2	0

(ref:EDUC)

Q.49 And have you or any member of your immediate family been unemployed at some point in the last year? (IF YES) Was that you or a family member who was unemployed?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2
Yes: Respondent	14	10	17
Yes: Family Member	25	26	24
No	60	62	58
(Dk/Ref)	1	1	1

(ref:EMPLOY2)

Q.50 Are you a member of a labor union? (IF NO) Is any member of your household a union member?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2
Yes: Respondent belongs	17	19	15
Household member	9	9	9
No member belongs	72	71	74

(Don't know/Refused).....	2	2	2
Union Household	26	28	25
(ref:UNION)			

Q.51 Are you married, single, separated, divorced, or widowed?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2
Married.....	67	68	66
Single.....	17	17	17
Separated/Divorced	8	7	8
Widowed	7	6	8
(Don't know/Refused).....	1	2	1
Sep/Div/Wid	15	13	16
(ref:MARITAL)			

Q.52 Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican or what?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2
Strong Democrat.....	25	26	25
Weak Democrat	11	11	11
Independent-lean Democrat	9	10	9
Independent.....	6	7	6
Independent-lean Republican	12	12	12
Weak Republican.....	12	11	12
Strong Republican	22	21	23
(Don't know/Refused).....	2	2	1
(ref:PTYID1)			

Q.53 Thinking in political terms, would you say that you are Conservative, Moderate, or Liberal?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2
Liberal	19	20	18
Moderate.....	34	36	31
Conservative	43	39	47
(Don't know/Refused).....	4	4	4
(ref:IDEO1)			

Q.54 Do you consider yourself to be a supporter of the Tea Party movement, or not? (IF SUPPORTER, FOLLOW UP) Is that a strong supporter or not so strong supporter of the Tea Party movement?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2
Strong supporter	21	20	23
Not so strong supporter	13	14	11
Not a supporter	58	59	57
(Don't know/Refused).....	8	7	9
(ref:TEASUPP)			

Q.55 What is your religion?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2
Protestant.....	49	45	53
Catholic.....	25	27	23
Jewish.....	2	3	1
Muslim.....	0	1	-
(Don't know/Refused).....	24	25	23
(ref:RELIG1)			

Q.56 How often do you attend religious services -- more than once a week, once a week, once or twice a month, several times a year, or hardly ever?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2
More than once a week.....	10	10	10
Once a week.....	34	34	33
Once or twice a month.....	12	10	14
Several times a year.....	12	12	11
Hardly ever.....	23	21	24
(Never).....	6	7	6
(Don't know/refused).....	4	5	2
Once a week or more.....	43	44	43
(ref:RELIG2)			

[968 Respondents]

Q.57 (ASK IF VOTED IN VOTE08) In the 2008 election for president, did you vote for Democrat Barack Obama or Republican John McCain?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2
Democrat Barack Obama.....	50	51	48
Republican John McCain.....	44	42	46
(Ralph Nader).....	0	0	0
(Bob Barr).....	0	0	-
(Other).....	1	1	2
(DK/Refused).....	5	5	4
(ref:VOTE2008)			

[900 Respondents]

Q.58 (ASK IF VOTED IN VOTE2010) In the 2010 election for Congress, did you vote for (DHOUCAND10) or (RHOUCAND10)?⁶

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2
House Democrat.....	44	44	44
House Republican.....	48	45	50
(Other candidate).....	1	1	0
(Did Not Vote for Congress).....	1	1	1
(DK/Refused).....	7	8	5
(ref:VTCG2010)			

⁶ Actual candidate names were included with party identification.

Q.59 What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2
White.....	81	80	82
African-American or Black	6	7	5
Hispanic or Latino	7	8	7
Native American.....	1	1	1
Asian	2	2	2
(Other).....	1	1	2
(Don't know/Refused).....	2	2	2
(ref:RACETHN)			

Q.60 Last year, that is in 2010, what was your total family income from all sources, before taxes? Just stop me when I get to the right category.

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2
Less than \$10K.....	2	2	3
\$10K to under \$20K.....	5	5	6
\$20K to under \$30K.....	9	8	9
\$30K to under \$50K.....	15	14	15
\$50K to under \$75K.....	16	15	16
\$75K to under \$100K.....	14	13	16
\$100K or more	21	21	20
(Refused)	15	16	13
(Don't know)	4	5	2
(ref:INCOME)			

Q.61 Respondent's gender

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2
Male	47	47	47
Female.....	53	53	53
(ref:GENDER)			

Q.62 In what year were you born?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2
18 - 24.....	7	7	7
25 - 29.....	5	4	5
30 - 34.....	6	5	6
35 - 39.....	8	8	8
40 - 44.....	7	8	7
45 - 49.....	12	12	11
50 - 54.....	9	8	10
55 - 59.....	11	11	11
60 - 64.....	9	10	9
65 and over	24	24	24
(No answer)	2	2	2
(ref:AGE)			