

Democracy Corps - Congressional Battleground Frequency Questionnaire

October 6-11, 2009

500 Likely Voters in Tier 3 Democratic Districts (535 unweighted)

Q.3 First of all, are you registered to vote at this address?

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

Q.4 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
Voted	99
Not registered in 2008/Ineligible/too young	1
Did not vote	-
(Can't remember/Don't know).....	-
(Refused).....	-
(ref:VOTE08)	

Q.5 As you know, there was an election for Congress and other offices in 2006. Many people weren't able to vote. How about you? Were you able to vote or for some reason were you unable to vote?

	Total
Voted	96
Not registered in 2006/Ineligible/too young	4
Did not vote	-
(Can't remember/Don't know).....	-
(Refused).....	-
(ref:VOTE062)	

Q.7 I know it's a long way off, but what are the chances of you voting in the election for Congress and other offices in 2010: are you almost certain to vote, will you probably vote, are the chances 50-50, or don't you think you will vote?

	Total
Almost certain.....	83
Probably	16
50-50	-
Will not vote.....	-
(Don't know)	1
(Refused).....	-
(ref:CP3)	

Q.8 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
Right direction	35
Wrong track	58
(Don't know/refused)	7
Right - Wrong.....	-22
(ref:DIRECT)	

Q.9 Do you approve or disapprove of the job being done by Barack Obama as president?

	Total
Strongly approve	26
Somewhat approve	20
Somewhat disapprove.....	11
Strongly disapprove.....	36
(Don't know/refused)	7
Total approve.....	46
Total disapprove.....	47
(ref:BOAPP)	

Q.10 Do you approve or disapprove of the way (HOUSE INCUMBENT¹) is handling his/her job as a member of the U.S. Congress?

	Total
Strongly approve	22
Somewhat approve	26
Somewhat disapprove.....	12
Strongly disapprove.....	19
(Don't know/refused)	21
Total approve.....	48
Total disapprove.....	31
(ref:CONGAPP)	

¹ The incumbent name was inserted without party identification.

Q.11 Now, I'd like to rate your feelings toward some people and organizations, with 100 meaning a VERY WARM, FAVORABLE feeling; zero meaning a VERY COLD, UNFAVORABLE feeling; and 50 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
11 The Republican Party	46.8	38	40	14	29	98	-2
12 The Democratic Party	47.0	39	44	22	31	98	-5
15 Barack Obama	49.3	45	42	28	33	99	2
16 (DEMOCRATIC HOUSE INCUMBENT ²)	53.4	39	28	21	18	88	12
19 The N.R.A., or National Rifle Association	63.8	54	21	39	17	91	33
20 Pro-life, anti-abortion groups.....	55.3	46	33	34	27	95	12
21 Gay marriage	30.4	23	59	17	56	94	-36

(ref:THERM04/THERM204)

Q.24 As you may know, there will be an election for your Representative to Congress in November next year. Do you think you will definitely vote to re-elect (HOUSE INCUMBENT) to Congress, probably vote to re-elect (HOUSE INCUMBENT), probably vote for someone else, or definitely vote for someone else?

	Total
Definitely re-elect (Democratic Incumbent)	15
Probably re-elect (Democratic Incumbent).....	28
Probably vote for someone else.....	20
Definitely vote for someone else	19
(Depends on the person).....	5
(Don't know/Refused).....	12
Total Re-elect.....	43
Total Someone Else	39
Re-elect - Someone Else.....	4

(ref:REELECT)

² The incumbent name was inserted without party identification.

Q.25 I know it's a long way off, but thinking about the election for Congress next year, if the election for U.S. Congress were held today, would you be voting for – (DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE³) or (REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE)?

	Total
Democratic Candidate.....	46
Lean Democratic Candidate.....	4
Republican Candidate.....	34
Lean Republican Candidate.....	3
(Other Candidate).....	3
Lean (Other Candidate).....	0
(Undecided).....	8
(Refused).....	1
Total Democratic Candidate.....	50
Total Republican Candidate.....	38
Total (Other Candidate).....	3

(ref:CONG10)

Q.27 Even though you are not supporting (DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE) now, what are the chances that you might support (DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE) in the election for Congress next year -- 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
Fair chance.....	8
A small chance.....	10
Just a very slight chance.....	10
No chance at all.....	19
(Don't know/Refused).....	3
Democratic Candidate Supporter.....	50

(ref:CONG10C)

Q.28 Even though you are not supporting (REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE) now, what are the chances that you might support (REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE) in the election for Congress next year -- 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
Fair chance.....	16
A small chance.....	12
Just a very slight chance.....	12
No chance at all.....	19
(Don't know/Refused).....	4
Republican Candidate Supporter.....	38

(ref:CONG10D)

³ Actual incumbent's name inserted.

Q.29 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
1 - 11th grade	3
High School graduate.....	25
Non-college post H.S.	2
Some college.....	27
College graduate.....	26
Post-graduate school	16
(Don't know/refused)	1
(ref:EDUC)	

Q.30 And have you or any member of your immediate family been unemployed at some point in the last year?

	Total
Yes: Respondent.....	14
Yes: Family Member	15
No.....	70
(Dk/Ref)	1
(ref:EMPLOY2)	

Q.31 Are you a member of a labor union? (IF NO) Is any member of your household a union member?

	Total
Yes: Respondent belongs	10
Household member	9
No member belongs.....	80
(Don't know/Refused).....	2
Union Household.....	19
(ref:UNION)	

Q.32 Are you married, single, separated, divorced, or widowed?

	Total
Married	67
Single	13
Separated/Divorced.....	9
Widowed.....	10
(Don't know/refused)	1
Sep/Div/Wid.....	19
(ref:MARITAL)	

Q.33 Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican or what?

	Total
Strong Democrat	28
Weak Democrat.....	8
Independent-lean Democrat.....	8
Independent	9
Independent-lean Republican	14
Weak Republican	12
Strong Republican.....	19
(Don't know/refused)	2
(ref:PTYID1)	

Q.36 Thinking in political terms, would you say that you are Conservative, Moderate, or Liberal?

	Total
Liberal.....	18
Moderate	33
Conservative	45
(Don't know/refused)	4
(ref:IDEO1)	

Q.37 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
More than once a week	18
Once a week	32
Once or twice a month	15
Several times a year.....	11
Hardly ever	19
(Never)	2
(Don't know/refused)	4
Once a week or more	50
(ref:RELIG2)	

[494 Respondents]

Q.38 (ASK IF VOTED IN VOTE08) In the 2008 election for president, did you vote for Democrat Barack Obama or Republican John McCain?

	Total
Democrat Barack Obama.....	41
Republican John McCain	46
(Ralph Nader).....	0
(Bob Barr).....	0
(Other)	3
(DK/Refused).....	9
(ref:VOTE2008)	

[494 Respondents]

Q.39 (ASK IF VOTED IN VOTE08) In the 2008 election for Congress, did you vote for (DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE) or (REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE)?

	Total
House Democrat	55
House Republican	28
(Other candidate)	2
(Did Not Vote for Congress)	2
(DK/Refused).....	13
(ref:VTCG2008)	

Q.40 What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

	Total
White	83
African-American or Black.....	8
Hispanic or Latino.....	3
Native American	2
Asian	1
(Other)	0
(Don't know/Refused).....	4
(ref:RACETHN)	

Q.2 Respondent's gender

	Total
Male.....	47
Female	53
(ref:GENDER)	

Q.6 In what year were you born?

	Total
18 - 24	5
25 - 29	5
30 - 34	9
35 - 39	7
40 - 44	9
45 - 49	10
50 - 54	7
55 - 59	11
60 - 64	10
Over 64.....	25
(No answer).....	2
(ref:AGE)	