

Democracy Corps - Third Way Frequency Questionnaire

February 20-24, 2010

1,001 2008 Voters

851 Likely 2010 Voters (878 unweighted) ¹

150 Drop-Off Voters (123 unweighted) ²

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

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Yes.....	100	100	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	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Voted	98	99	96
Not registered in 2008/Ineligible/too young	2	1	4
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	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Voted	84	94	23
Not registered in 2006/Ineligible/too young	7	6	13
Did not vote.....	6	-	43
(Can't remember/Don't know)	3	-	21
(Refused).....	-	-	-
(ref:VOTE062)			

¹ Likely voters are defined as those 2008 voters who voted or were not eligible in 2006 AND are almost certain to vote, probable to vote, or don't know if they will vote in 2010.

² Drop-off voters are defined as those 2008 voters who are not likely voters.

Q.9 I know it is a long way off, but what are the chances of your voting in the election for Congress this November: are you almost certain to vote, will you probably vote, are the chances 50-50, or don't you think you will vote?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Almost certain	72	79	31
Probably.....	20	20	19
50-50.....	6	-	38
Will not vote	2	-	11
(Don't know).....	1	1	0
(Refused).....	-	-	-
(ref:CP10)			

Q.10 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	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Right direction.....	32	31	38
Wrong track	60	62	49
(Don't know/refused).....	8	7	13
Right - Wrong	-28	-31	-11
(ref:DIRECT)			

Q.11 Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Strongly approve.....	27	27	28
Somewhat approve	22	20	31
Somewhat disapprove	12	11	15
Strongly disapprove	35	37	21
(Don't know/refused).....	5	5	6
Total approve	49	47	59
Total disapprove	46	48	35
(ref:BOAPP)			

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	44.0	31	46	11	28	96	-15
Likely Voters	44.6	33	44	12	28	97	-12
Drop-Off Voters	40.1	20	53	6	27	93	-33
13 The Democratic Party	44.6	35	47	17	34	98	-11
Likely Voters	43.8	36	49	17	37	98	-13
Drop-Off Voters	49.3	33	34	17	22	95	-1
14 The Democratic Congress	41.7	32	48	14	36	96	-16
Likely Voters	40.8	32	51	13	39	97	-19
Drop-Off Voters	47.5	33	33	17	22	88	0
15 Barack Obama	51.3	48	42	31	31	100	6
Likely Voters	50.6	47	43	31	33	99	4
Drop-Off Voters	55.5	49	33	35	23	100	17
[466 Respondents]							
16 (DEM HOUSE INCUMBENT) ³ (ASK ONLY IN LANDLINE SAMPLE).....	52.3	37	29	21	20	81	8
Likely Voters	52.6	39	30	22	21	84	10
Drop-Off Voters	48.8	23	26	14	17	59	-3
[385 Respondents]							
16 (REP HOUSE INCUMBENT) ⁴ (ASK ONLY IN LANDLINE SAMPLE).....	56.0	38	21	20	14	73	17
Likely Voters	57.3	42	21	22	14	76	20
Drop-Off Voters	44.5	17	21	3	14	53	-3
17 Republicans in Congress.....	42.9	30	47	10	30	95	-17
Likely Voters	43.3	31	47	11	30	97	-16
Drop-Off Voters	40.1	24	48	6	32	88	-24
18 The N.R.A., or National Rifle Association	53.1	42	31	27	25	92	11
Likely Voters	54.0	43	31	28	24	92	13
Drop-Off Voters	47.9	36	35	24	28	89	1
19 Pro-life, anti-abortion groups	46.5	35	42	24	33	96	-7
Likely Voters	46.1	35	43	23	34	96	-8
Drop-Off Voters	48.9	34	39	25	29	95	-5

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	Mean	% Warm	% Cool	% >75	% <26	% ID	Warm - Cool
[500 Respondents]							
20 (SPLIT A) The Iraq War	38.1	25	50	9	37	96	-24
Likely Voters	39.8	28	47	11	36	96	-20
Drop-Off Voters	27.9	13	63	2	42	92	-50
21 Gay marriage	41.3	32	48	26	44	94	-16
Likely Voters	40.0	31	50	25	46	95	-19
Drop-Off Voters	49.4	38	38	32	31	89	0
[500 Respondents]							
22 (SPLIT A) The United Nations	49.0	38	37	18	26	94	1
Likely Voters	49.0	39	37	19	27	95	3
Drop-Off Voters	49.3	31	36	15	20	88	-6
[501 Respondents]							
23 (SPLIT B) NATO, which is the North Atlantic Treaty Organization	52.1	33	24	15	15	79	10
Likely Voters	52.9	34	23	16	14	80	11
Drop-Off Voters	47.3	30	25	8	17	74	5
[500 Respondents]							
24 (SPLIT A) The state of the economy	29.5	13	72	2	48	99	-59
Likely Voters	29.7	13	73	3	49	99	-60
Drop-Off Voters	28.9	10	68	1	40	100	-58
[501 Respondents]							
25 (SPLIT B) The war in Afghanistan	46.0	35	41	14	27	97	-5
Likely Voters	46.9	36	39	15	26	97	-3
Drop-Off Voters	40.8	31	50	12	37	96	-19
[501 Respondents]							
26 (SPLIT B) The state of your personal finances	55.0	48	26	19	16	95	21
Likely Voters	57.1	52	23	22	15	94	28
Drop-Off Voters	43.2	24	42	5	20	98	-17

(ref:THERM04/THERM204)

Q.27 I know it is a long way off, but thinking about the elections this November, if the election for U.S. Congress were held today, would you be voting for (DEMOCRATIC HOUSE CANDIDATE) or (REPUBLICAN HOUSE CANDIDATE)⁵?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Democratic candidate	41	39	47
Lean Democratic candidate	5	4	8
Republican candidate	38	40	26
Lean Republican candidate	6	6	4
(Other candidate).....	1	1	3
Lean (Other candidate).....	1	1	-
(Undecided)	7	7	10
(Refused)	1	1	2
Total Democratic candidate	46	44	55
Total Republican candidate	44	47	30
Total (Other candidate)	2	2	3

(ref:CONG10)

Q.29 Generally speaking, do you feel America is more safe or less safe from foreign threats and dangers than two years ago?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Much more safe	14	14	11
Somewhat more safe	28	26	34
Somewhat less safe.....	19	18	23
Much less safe	24	26	18
(Neither).....	11	12	9
(Don't know/refused).....	4	4	5
Total More safe	41	41	45
Total Less safe	43	44	41
More safe - Less safe	-2	-3	4

(ref:SAFE)

⁵ In the landline sample, the incumbent names were inserted preceded by party identification. Generic “the Democratic candidate” or “the Republican candidate” were inserted for the opposition. For the cell phone sample and open seat districts, both candidates were given as generic.

Q.30 And would you say the United States is more respected or less respected in the world than it was two years ago?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Much more respected	19	20	12
Somewhat more respected	23	21	35
Somewhat less respected	24	24	28
Much less respected	26	27	16
(Neither)	4	3	5
(Don't know/refused)	4	4	5
Total More respected	42	41	47
Total Less respected	50	51	44
More respected - Less respected	-8	-10	3
(ref:USRSPCT)			

Q.31 Now I'm going to read you a list of issues. For each one, I would like you to tell me if you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job on that issue.

	Strng App	Smwt App	Smwt Disap	Strng Disap	DK/ Ref	Total App	Total Disap	App - Disap
[500 Respondents]								
31 (SPLIT A) The economy	15	30	13	41	1	45	54	-10
Likely Voters	16	26	14	44	1	42	57	-15
Drop-Off Voters	11	49	10	28	2	60	38	22
32 National security	24	34	16	23	3	58	39	19
Likely Voters	25	32	16	24	3	57	40	16
Drop-Off Voters	19	45	12	19	4	65	31	34
[500 Respondents]								
33 (SPLIT A) Improving America's standing in the world	31	25	16	25	3	56	41	15
Likely Voters	32	22	15	27	3	55	42	13
Drop-Off Voters	21	42	17	15	6	62	32	30
34 Fighting terrorism	25	30	17	24	4	55	41	14
Likely Voters	25	29	18	24	5	54	41	13
Drop-Off Voters	22	35	17	22	4	58	39	19
[500 Respondents]								
35 (SPLIT A) Afghanistan	16	42	21	15	5	58	37	22
Likely Voters	18	40	22	15	5	58	37	21
Drop-Off Voters	7	55	16	19	3	62	35	27
[501 Respondents]								
36 (SPLIT B) Iraq	20	33	20	21	7	52	41	11
Likely Voters	21	33	19	21	7	54	40	14
Drop-Off Voters	16	30	29	20	5	46	49	-3
[501 Respondents]								
37 (SPLIT B) Leading America's military	25	32	17	22	4	57	39	18
Likely Voters	24	33	16	22	4	57	38	19
Drop-Off Voters	31	24	21	18	5	55	40	15
[501 Respondents]								
38 (SPLIT B) Foreign Policy	23	31	16	24	6	54	40	14
Likely Voters	23	29	17	25	6	52	42	10
Drop-Off Voters	23	43	8	19	7	66	27	39
[501 Respondents]								
39 (SPLIT B) Iran	14	28	20	28	9	43	48	-5
Likely Voters	14	28	18	30	9	42	49	-7
Drop-Off Voters	16	32	29	14	9	48	43	4

	Strng App	Smwt App	Smwt Disap	Strng Disap	DK/ Ref	Total App	Total Disap	App - Disap
[500 Respondents]								
40 (SPLIT A) Interrogation and prosecution of terrorism suspects.....	23	23	14	35	6	46	49	-3
Likely Voters	23	21	13	37	5	44	51	-6
Drop-Off Voters	20	33	18	20	10	52	37	15
(ref:PRESBATT)								

Q.41 Do you approve or disapprove of the job Democrats in Congress are doing on national security?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Strongly approve.....	9	9	7
Somewhat approve	34	32	46
Somewhat disapprove	21	21	18
Strongly disapprove	28	30	15
(Don't know/refused).....	8	7	14
Total approve	43	41	52
Total disapprove	49	51	34
Approve - disapprove	-5	-10	19
(ref:DNSAPP)			

Q.42 Do you approve or disapprove of the job Republicans in Congress are doing on national security?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Strongly approve.....	7	7	6
Somewhat approve	38	38	42
Somewhat disapprove	24	26	16
Strongly disapprove	20	20	20
(Don't know/refused).....	10	9	16
Total approve	45	45	47
Total disapprove	44	46	36
Approve - disapprove	1	-1	11
(ref:RNSAPP)			

[500 Respondents]

Q.43 (SPLIT A) When it comes to national security, do you think President Obama is doing better, worse, or about the same as President George W. Bush?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Much better.....	25	26	21
Somewhat better.....	14	12	25
Somewhat worse	12	11	13
Much worse	20	22	8
About the same.....	28	28	29
(Don't know/refused).....	2	1	4
Total better	39	38	46
Total worse	31	33	20
Better - Worse	8	5	25
(ref:PSTPREZ5)			

[501 Respondents]

Q.44 (SPLIT B) When it comes to combating terrorism and handling terrorism suspects, do you think President Obama is doing better, worse, or about the same as President George W. Bush?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Much better.....	23	22	27
Somewhat better.....	15	15	17
Somewhat worse	11	11	12
Much worse	20	22	8
About the same.....	29	28	32
(Don't know/refused).....	3	2	5
Total better	38	37	44
Total worse	31	33	20
Better - Worse	7	4	24
(ref:PSTPREZ6)			

Q.45 Now I am going to ask you something different. I am going to read a list of issues and I want you to tell me whether, overall, you think the Democrats or the Republicans would do a better job with this issue. If you do not know, just tell me and we will move on to the next item.

	Dems Much Btrr	Dems Smwt Btrr	Reps Smwt Btrr	Reps Much Btrr	Both	Nei- ther	DK/ Ref	Total Dems	Total Reps	Dems - Reps
[501 Respondents]										
45 (SPLIT B) The economy										
	23	20	20	23	1	6	8	43	43	0
Likely Voters	21	21	19	25	1	6	7	43	44	-1
Drop-Off Voters	32	12	23	13	-	10	10	44	36	8
[500 Respondents]										
46 (SPLIT A) Keeping America safe										
	16	18	21	23	6	4	12	34	45	-11
Likely Voters	16	17	22	25	6	3	11	34	47	-14
Drop-Off Voters	12	23	17	14	6	8	20	35	31	4
47 National security										
	13	20	24	24	3	4	11	34	48	-15
Likely Voters	14	19	25	25	3	4	10	33	50	-17
Drop-Off Voters	9	25	19	17	6	7	16	35	37	-2
[501 Respondents]										
48 (SPLIT B) Improving global respect for America										
	29	19	16	17	2	5	12	48	33	15
Likely Voters	29	18	16	17	2	5	12	47	34	14
Drop-Off Voters	31	21	15	12	3	7	11	52	27	24
[500 Respondents]										
49 (SPLIT A) Ensuring a strong military										
	13	14	23	33	3	2	12	26	56	-30
Likely Voters	14	13	23	35	3	2	10	27	58	-32
Drop-Off Voters	8	18	24	19	5	4	23	26	42	-17
[501 Respondents]										
50 (SPLIT B) Combating terrorism.....										
	13	22	22	25	4	4	11	34	47	-13
Likely Voters	13	22	22	25	3	4	11	35	47	-12
Drop-Off Voters	12	20	25	25	6	6	7	31	50	-19
[501 Respondents]										
51 (SPLIT B) The situation in Afghanistan										
	15	25	23	15	4	6	13	39	38	2
Likely Voters	14	23	24	16	4	7	13	37	40	-3
Drop-Off Voters	18	35	19	8	3	6	11	53	27	26

	Dems Much Btr	Dems Smwt Btr	Reps Smwt Btr	Reps Much Btr	Both	Nei- ther	DK/ Ref	Total Dems	Total Reps	Dems - Reps
[500 Respondents]										
52 (SPLIT A) Making America safer from nuclear threats										
	17	17	20	22	4	6	14	34	43	-9
Likely Voters	17	17	21	24	4	5	12	34	45	-11
Drop-Off Voters	14	18	15	13	4	10	26	32	28	4
[500 Respondents]										
53 (SPLIT A) The budget deficit										
	18	20	20	20	3	7	13	37	40	-3
Likely Voters	18	20	22	21	2	7	10	38	43	-5
Drop-Off Voters	16	18	8	16	4	9	28	35	25	10
(ref:BETJOB)										

Q.54 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.

	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]										
54 (SPLIT A) America's security depends on building strong ties with other nations.										
OR										
Bottom line, America's security depends on its own military strength.....										
	43	9	12	30	3	1	2	52	42	10
Likely Voters	43	10	10	33	3	0	2	52	43	10
Drop-Off Voters	45	5	25	16	3	5	1	50	41	9

[501 Respondents]										
55 (SPLIT B) America is losing its global leadership as China and other developing countries grow their economies and hold more of our debt.										
OR										
America remains the world's strongest and most influential country due to our combination of economic strength, military power, and political freedom.....										
	43	20	10	22	1	1	3	63	32	31
Likely Voters	43	20	10	22	1	1	3	64	32	32
Drop-Off Voters	44	18	10	26	-	-	3	62	35	26

[501 Respondents]										
56 (SPLIT B) Democrats generally do what is necessary to defend America's security.										
OR										
Democrats too often shortchange America's security in favor of domestic priorities.....										
	27	18	17	30	0	3	5	45	47	-2
Likely Voters	26	17	17	31	0	4	5	43	48	-4
Drop-Off Voters	31	24	16	25	-	-	5	54	40	14

	1st Stmt Strng	1st Not Strng	2nd Not Strng	2nd Stmt Strng	Both	Neither	DK/Ref	Total 1st Stmt	Total 2nd Stmt	1st - 2nd
[501 Respondents]										
57 (SPLIT B) I have a pretty good idea what the Democrats' national security agenda is.										
OR										
I do not really know what the Democrats stand for on national security.....										
	33	21	18	23	0	1	5	54	41	13
Likely Voters	34	20	17	24	0	1	4	55	41	14
Drop-Off Voters	26	23	22	19	-	-	9	49	41	8

[500 Respondents]										
58 (SPLIT A) I have a pretty good idea what the Republicans' national security agenda is.										
OR										
I do not really know what the Republicans stand for on national security.....										
	43	20	14	17	0	1	4	63	31	32
Likely Voters	44	19	15	17	0	1	5	63	32	31
Drop-Off Voters	37	28	10	18	-	4	4	65	28	37
(ref:PAIRS10)										

Q.59 Now something different. As you may know, over Christmas a Nigerian man was arrested for trying to set off a bomb on a plane headed from Amsterdam to Detroit. Thinking about what you have heard about this incident and how the Obama administration has responded, do those events make you feel more confident or less confident about the Obama administration's handling of national security?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Much more confident	17	17	19
Somewhat more confident	25	25	26
Somewhat less confident	16	13	30
Much less confident	30	33	13
(Neither)	6	6	7
(Don't know/refused)	6	6	5
Total More confident	42	42	45
Total Less confident	46	46	43
More confident - Less confident	-4	-4	2

(ref:XMASBLM2)

[500 Respondents]

Q.60 (SPLIT A) Now a different topic. As you may know, President Obama recently said he will work with Congress and the military to repeal the 'don't ask, don't tell' policy, which prohibits gay and lesbian people from disclosing their sexual orientation while serving in the armed forces. Based on what you know, do you approve or disapprove of repealing the 'don't ask, don't tell' policy?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Strongly approve	36	37	29
Somewhat approve	14	14	15
Somewhat disapprove	12	12	14
Strongly disapprove	25	25	29
(Don't know/refused)	12	12	14
Total approve	50	51	44
Total disapprove	38	37	42
Approve - disapprove	12	14	1

(ref:DADTA)

[501 Respondents]

Q.61 (SPLIT B) Now a different topic. As you may know, President Obama recently said he will work with Congress and the military to repeal the 'don't ask, don't tell' policy, which prohibits gay and lesbian people from disclosing their sexual orientation while serving in the armed forces. Based on what you know, does this make you feel more or less favorable toward President Obama?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Much more favorable	33	32	38
Somewhat more favorable	20	20	19
Somewhat less favorable	13	12	13
Much less favorable	19	21	10
(Don't know/refused)	15	14	20
Total More favorable	53	52	57
Total Less favorable	32	33	23
More favorable - Less favorable	21	19	33

(ref:DADTB)

Q.62 Now I am going to read you a set of statements about national security. Let's start with statements from the Democrats. For each statement, let me know whether it makes you feel more confident or less confident about the Democrats on national security.

	Much More Conf	Smwmt More Conf	Smwmt Less Conf	Much Less Conf	No Diff	Both/ Nei ther	DK/ Ref	Total More	Total Less	More - Less
[500 Respondents]										
62 (SPLIT A) Democrats say: The Obama administration's interrogation policies toward suspected terrorists are making America safer. By using proven, traditional FBI techniques rather than torture we got the Christmas Day bomber to provide actionable intelligence, which, according to recent reports, already contributed to the arrest of ten suspected terrorists overseas.	24	31	19	20	0	2	5	54	38	16
Likely Voters	25	28	18	21	0	2	5	53	40	13
Drop-Off Voters	18	47	20	10	2	-	4	65	29	35

	Much More Conf	Smwt More Conf	Smwt Less Conf	Much Less Conf	No Diff	Both/ Nei ther	DK/ Ref	Total More	Total Less	More - Less
[501 Respondents]										
63 (SPLIT B) Democrats say: Since the day Obama took office, we've stepped up the fight against terrorists. Using our Special Forces and Predator planes in Pakistan, Afghanistan, and Yemen, we captured or killed hundreds of al Qaeda's fighters and affiliates in 2009, far more than in 2008. Just last week, US forces helped capture the Taliban's top military commander.										
	33	36	10	10	3	2	6	69	20	50
Likely Voters	34	35	11	11	3	2	5	69	22	47
Drop-Off Voters	32	41	4	5	-	3	15	73	9	63

[500 Respondents]										
64 (SPLIT A) Democrats say: After a period of US policies that alienated the rest of the world, we have raised America's standing by ending torture, working more with our allies, and getting other countries like Pakistan to cooperate with us on fighting terrorism. By improving America's image, we are strengthening our hand against the terrorists.										
	23	31	17	23	1	0	5	54	39	15
Likely Voters	26	28	16	25	1	0	5	54	41	13
Drop-Off Voters	7	51	20	12	-	1	8	59	32	27

	Much More Conf	Smwt More Conf	Smwt Less Conf	Much Less Conf	No Diff	Both/ Nei ther	DK/ Ref	Total More	Total Less	More - Less
[500 Respondents]										
65 (SPLIT A) Democrats say: We are determined to get terrorists convicted and imprisoned more quickly. Since 9/11, the military tribunal system produced only three terrorist convictions, and many military tribunals dragged on without clear verdicts. We support shifting more trials to the civilian courts, which is how the US got a quick conviction of Richard Reid, the so-called shoe bomber, in 2003.										
	18	29	16	30	1	1	6	47	45	2
Likely Voters	19	26	16	33	1	1	5	45	48	-3
Drop-Off Voters	15	43	15	13	1	-	13	58	28	30

[501 Respondents]										
66 (SPLIT B) Democrats say: It is safe and reliable to try and imprison terrorists in the United States. The US government safely tried the recently convicted World Trade Center bomber and one of the 9/11 conspirators. Today, more than 300 terrorists are held in federal prisons and no terrorists have ever escaped from our "supermax" prisons.										
	25	29	16	21	3	2	5	54	37	17
Likely Voters	25	28	16	22	3	1	5	53	38	14
Drop-Off Voters	25	34	17	12	2	3	7	59	29	30

	Much More Conf	Smwt More Conf	Smwt Less Conf	Much Less Conf	No Diff	Both/ Nei ther	DK/ Ref	Total More	Total Less	More - Less
[501 Respondents]										
67 (SPLIT B) Democrats say: Although Republicans are criticizing Obama's proposals to try more terrorists in civilians courts and imprison them in federal facilities, that is exactly the approach Bush took during his presidency with terrorists including the so-called shoe bomber										
Richard Reid.	13	28	23	22	3	3	8	41	45	-4
Likely Voters	13	28	23	23	3	3	8	41	46	-5
Drop-Off Voters	13	29	27	15	1	7	8	42	42	0
(ref:DNSMSGs)										

Q.68 Now I am going to read you another set of statements about national security, this time from Republicans. For each statement, let me know whether it makes you feel more confident or less confident about the Republicans on national security.

	Much More Conf	Smwt More Conf	Smwt Less Conf	Much Less Conf	No Diff	Both/ Nei ther	DK/ Ref	Total More	Total Less	More - Less
[500 Respondents]										
68 (SPLIT A) Republicans say: Democrats are insisting that terrorists be treated like American citizens with full legal protections, like Miranda rights. But we should put the safety of Americans before the rights of terrorists, and we should be using all our toughest interrogation techniques to fight back against these terrorists who are trying to kill us.										
kill us.	38	19	16	21	1	1	5	57	36	20
Likely Voters	40	19	15	21	0	0	4	60	36	24
Drop-Off Voters	22	17	20	21	4	4	11	40	41	-1

	Much More Conf	Smwt More Conf	Smwt Less Conf	Much Less Conf	No Diff	Both/ Nei ther	DK/ Ref	Total More	Total Less	More - Less
[500 Respondents]										
69 (SPLIT A) Republicans say: President Obama has dramatically increased our national deficit and the US debt held by foreign countries like China, which makes us weaker in the world. We need policies that slash spending to ensure we are less vulnerable to other countries.										
	32	22	22	18	1	1	4	54	40	14
Likely Voters	35	20	19	19	1	2	3	55	39	17
Drop-Off Voters	14	32	36	11	-	-	6	46	48	-1

[501 Respondents]										
70 (SPLIT B) Republicans say: At a time when our military is under strain fighting wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, we should not be seeking to overturn the 'don't ask, don't tell' policy - a change that will put additional strains on our service personnel, and put social goals ahead of military effectiveness.										
	17	19	20	31	3	1	9	37	51	-14
Likely Voters	19	20	19	30	3	0	8	38	50	-11
Drop-Off Voters	10	18	22	35	2	2	12	27	56	-29

71 Republicans say: Obama wants to pretend the US is not at war with terrorists. He doesn't seem to understand terrorists want to plot another 9/11, this time with a nuclear or biological weapon. We need to treat this like a real war, and do what it takes to defeat groups like al Qaeda that are trying to kill us.										
	30	22	17	23	1	1	5	52	41	11
Likely Voters	33	21	16	24	1	1	4	54	40	14
Drop-Off Voters	15	28	27	19	3	-	7	44	47	-3

	Much More Conf	Smwt More Conf	Smwt Less Conf	Much Less Conf	No Diff	Both/ Nei ther	DK/ Ref	Total More	Total Less	More - Less
[501 Respondents]										
72 (SPLIT B) Republicans										
say: By trying terrorists in										
civilian courts in our major										
cities, Obama is putting										
Americans at risk.										
Terrorists should be tried										
by military tribunals on										
military bases in order to										
bring them to justice and										
keep our communities										
safe.....	37	23	14	17	3	1	5	60	30	30
Likely Voters	39	22	14	18	3	1	4	60	31	29
Drop-Off Voters	30	31	14	12	2	-	11	61	26	35
(ref:RNSMSGGS)										

Q.73 How closely do you follow international relations and the foreign affairs of the United States -- very closely, somewhat closely, not very closely, or not at all closely?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Very closely	26	29	15
Somewhat closely	51	53	39
Not very closely	17	14	36
Not at all closely.....	5	4	11
(Don't know/refused).....	0	0	-
Total Closely	77	82	53
Total Not closely	22	18	47
(ref:EVENTS)			

Q.74 Are you serving or have you served in the active United States military or have you not been in the military? (IF NO) Is any member of your household currently serving in the active U.S. military or have they served in the past?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Yes: Served in military	15	15	12
Household member in service	6	6	6
Household member past service	17	17	16
No: Neither respondent nor household member in service/has served	62	61	66
(Served in the US Reserves)	0	0	-
(Don't know/refused).....	0	0	-
Total military household	38	39	34
(ref:MIL1)			

Q.75 If you were talking to your own child or a close relative about what to do after high school, would you be more likely to encourage them to enter the US military, or more likely to discourage them from entering the US military?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Strongly encourage.....	18	19	12
Somewhat encourage	22	23	18
Somewhat discourage	23	23	19
Strongly discourage	23	21	38
(Neither).....	9	9	9
(Don't know/refused).....	5	5	5
Total Encourage.....	40	42	30
Total Discourage.....	46	44	56
Encourage - Discourage	-6	-2	-26
(ref:MIL2)			

Q.76 Do you have any close personal friends who are actively serving in the military now or have been in the last 3 years?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Yes.....	60	61	55
No	40	39	44
(Don't know/refused).....	0	0	1
(ref:MIL3)			

Q.77 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	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
1 - 11th grade	3	3	3
High School graduate	24	23	27
Non-college post H.S.	1	1	2
Some college	27	26	32
College graduate	27	28	23
Post-graduate school	18	19	12
(Don't know/refused)	0	0	1
(ref:EDUC)			

Q.78 Are you a member of a labor union? (IF NO) Is any member of your household a union member?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Yes: Respondent belongs	14	15	8
Household member	8	8	9
No member belongs	78	77	81
(Don't know/Refused)	0	0	1
Union Household	22	22	18
(ref:UNION)			

Q.79 Are you married, single, separated, divorced, or widowed?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Married	60	63	46
Single	19	16	37
Separated/Divorced	12	12	14
Widowed	8	9	4
(Don't know/refused)	1	1	-
Sep/Div/Wid	20	20	17
(ref:MARITAL)			

Q.80 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	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Yes: Respondent	22	20	31
Yes: Family Member	19	19	20
No	58	60	49
(Dk/Ref)	1	1	1
Total Yes	41	40	50
(ref:EMPLOY2)			

Q.81 Do you have any children 18 years of age or younger living at home?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Yes.....	35	34	40
No	65	66	59
(Don't know/Refused)	1	0	1
(ref:KIDS)			

Q.82 Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican or what?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Strong Democrat.....	24	24	21
Weak Democrat.....	14	13	24
Independent-lean Democrat	9	9	8
Independent.....	7	6	11
Independent-lean Republican.....	13	14	10
Weak Republican.....	13	13	14
Strong Republican	18	20	9
(Don't know/refused).....	1	1	4
(ref:PTYID1)			

Q.83 Thinking in political terms, would you say that you are Conservative, Moderate, or Liberal?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Liberal	22	21	27
Moderate.....	33	33	31
Conservative	41	42	32
(Don't know/refused).....	5	4	10
(ref:IDEO1)			

[147 Respondents]

Q.84 (ASK IN CELL SAMPLE ONLY) Now, thinking about your telephone use, is there at least one telephone INSIDE your home that is currently working and is not a cell phone?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Yes.....	28	26	33
No	72	74	67
(DK/Refused).....	-	-	-
(ref:LANDLINE)			

[254 Respondents]

Q.85 (ASK IN LANDLINE SAMPLE ONLY) Now thinking about your telephone use, do you have a working cell phone?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Yes.....	83	83	78
No	16	15	20
(DK/Refused).....	1	1	2
(ref:CELLLINE)			

[748 Respondents]

Q.86 (DO NOT ASK IF NO IN LANDLINE) (DO NOT ASK IF NO OR DK/REF IN CELLLINE) Of all the personal telephone calls that you receive, do you get..

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
All or almost all calls on a cell phone	19	18	26
Some on a cell phone and some on a regular home phone	42	43	42
All or almost all calls on a regular home phone	38	39	32
(DK/Refused)	1	1	1
(ref:DUALUSE)			

Phone use table

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Cell Only	11	9	20
Cell Mostly	14	14	17
Dual User	32	33	27
Landline Mostly	28	30	21
Landline Only	13	13	14
Landline Unknown	2	2	2

Q.87 How often do you attend religious services -- more than once a week, every week, once or twice a month, several times a year, or hardly ever?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
More than once a week	13	14	8
Once a week	28	28	24
Once or twice a month	12	13	8
Several times a year	15	14	18
Hardly ever	25	23	31
(Never)	4	4	8
(Don't know/Refused)	3	2	3
More than/Once a week	41	43	32
(ref:RELIG2)			

[984 Respondents]

Q.88 (ASK IF VOTED IN VOTE08) In the 2008 election for president, did you vote for Democrat Barack Obama or Republican John McCain?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Democrat Barack Obama	48	46	58
Republican John McCain	43	45	30
(Ralph Nader)	0	0	1
(Bob Barr)	-	-	-
(Other)	2	2	5
(Don't know/Refused)	7	8	6
(ref:VOTE2008)			

[984 Respondents]

Q.89 (ASK IF VOTED IN VOTE08) In the 2008 election for Congress, did you vote for (2008 HOUSE DEMOCRAT) or (2008 HOUSE REPUBLICAN)⁶?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
(2008 HOUSE DEMOCRAT)	43	43	40
(2008 HOUSE REPUBLICAN).....	37	40	22
(Other candidate).....	5	5	5
(Did Not Vote for Congress)	5	2	20
(Don't know/Refused)	10	10	14
(ref:VTTCG2008)			

Q.90 What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
White.....	75	75	74
African-American or Black	12	12	12
Hispanic or Latino	8	7	12
Native American	1	1	1
Asian.....	1	1	-
(Other)	1	1	-
(Don't know/Refused)	2	2	1
(ref:RACETHN)			

Q.91 Last year, that is in 2009, what was your total family income from all sources, before taxes? Just stop me when I get to the right category.

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Less than \$10K.....	6	4	17
\$10K to under \$20K.....	6	6	8
\$20K to under \$30K.....	11	11	13
\$30K to under \$50K.....	16	17	12
\$50K to under \$75K.....	18	17	19
\$75K to under \$100K.....	11	11	14
\$100K or more	16	18	4
(Refused).....	11	12	7
(Don't know).....	4	4	5
(ref:INCOME)			

⁶ Actual candidate names were inserted preceded by party identifications for all districts. In unopposed districts, a generic candidate was used as the opposition. In the cell sample, “the Democratic candidate” and “the Republican candidate” were used.

Q.2 Record respondent's gender

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Male	47	49	38
Female	53	51	62
(ref:GENDER)			

Q.6 In what year were you born?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
18 - 24.....	6	5	12
25 - 29.....	9	8	17
30 - 34.....	8	6	16
35 - 39.....	8	8	7
40 - 44.....	10	10	9
45 - 49.....	12	11	13
50 - 54.....	9	9	6
55 - 59.....	9	10	6
60 - 64.....	9	10	7
Over 64.....	19	22	6
(No answer)	2	2	1
(ref:AGE)			