

Democracy Corps - Resurgent Republic Frequency Questionnaire

November 2-3, 2010

2008 Voters

886 2010 Voters (886 unweighted)

335 Democrats 2010 Voters (283 unweighted)

245 Independents 2010 Voters (276 unweighted)

304 Republicans 2010 Voters (321 unweighted)

114 Drop-Off Voters (113 unweighted)¹

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

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
Yes.....	100	100	100	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	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
Voted.....	97	99	99	99	99	80
Not registered in 2008/Ineligible/too young	3	1	1	1	1	20
Did not vote	-	-	-	-	-	-
(Can't remember/Don't know)	-	-	-	-	-	-
(Refused)	-	-	-	-	-	-
(ref:VOTE08)						

¹ Drop-Off voters are defined as those voters who voted in 2008 but did not vote in the 2010 elections.

Q.6 As you may know, there was an election today for Congress and other offices. 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	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
Voted.....	89	100	100	100	100	-
Did not vote.....	11	-	-	-	-	100
(Can't remember/Don't know)	-	-	-	-	-	-
(Refused)	-	-	-	-	-	-
(Have not voted yet).....	-	-	-	-	-	-
(Will vote)	-	-	-	-	-	-
(ref:VOTE10)						

[886 Respondents]

Q.7 (IF VOTED) Did you vote prior to Election Day or did you vote on Election Day?

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
Prior to Election Day	26	26	25	24	28	-
On Election Day	74	74	75	76	72	-
(Don't know/Refused).....	-	-	-	-	-	-
(ref:WARLYVTG)						

[230 Respondents]

Q.8 (IF PRIOR TO ELECTION DAY IN WARLYVTG) When you voted by absentee ballot or through early voting, did you vote by mail or in person?

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
By mail	58	59	62	57	58	-
In person	41	40	37	41	42	-
(Don't know/Refused).....	1	1	1	2	-	-
(ref:ABSENT4)						

Q.11 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	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
Right direction	26	26	55	14	4	27
Wrong track.....	65	66	33	79	92	57
(Don't know/Refused).....	9	8	12	7	4	17
Right - Wrong	-40	-40	21	-65	-89	-30
(ref:DIRECT)						

[655 Respondents]

Q.12 (IF WRONG TRACK IN DIRECT) Who do you blame most for our country being off on the wrong track: President Obama, former President Bush, Democrats in Congress, or Republicans in Congress?

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
President Obama	31	32	15	28	43	25
Former President Bush	18	16	48	16	2	40
Democrats in Congress.....	26	27	1	25	39	14
Republicans in Congress	6	6	24	5	-	5
(Don't know/Refused).....	19	19	12	26	16	16
(ref:DIRECT2)						

Q.13 Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president?

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
Strongly approve	25	25	52	17	1	27
Somewhat approve	20	19	32	18	5	31
Somewhat disapprove.....	12	11	6	13	13	14
Strongly disapprove	39	42	6	47	78	25
(Don't know/Refused).....	3	4	4	5	3	3
Total Approve	46	44	84	35	6	58
Total Disapprove	51	52	12	60	91	39
(ref:BOAPP)						

Q.14 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
14 The Republican Party	47.0	38	39	13	26	98	-1
Voters	46.3	37	40	12	27	98	-2
Dem	27.3	8	65	1	51	97	-57
Ind	45.3	32	42	7	22	97	-10
Rep	68.7	76	7	29	3	100	69
Drop-Off	46.6	35	44	14	23	98	-9
15 The Democratic Party	46.8	38	45	21	32	99	-7
Voters	45.4	37	47	20	33	98	-10
Dem	74.4	79	7	48	2	100	72
Ind	36.2	22	57	6	38	96	-34
Rep	19.9	3	84	1	66	99	-81
Drop-Off	54.7	45	31	21	17	96	14
[500 Respondents]							
16 (SPLIT A) Nancy Pelosi - the Speaker of the House.....	33.9	26	52	14	45	91	-27
Voters	33.3	25	54	13	47	93	-29
Dem	61.3	52	17	30	10	96	35
Ind	23.8	17	64	6	59	90	-47
Rep	8.3	2	87	0	81	93	-85
Drop-Off	42.4	25	36	12	21	72	-12
[500 Respondents]							
17 (SPLIT B) Harry Reid - the Democratic Leader of the Senate	38.2	21	41	13	33	76	-20
Voters	37.1	22	44	14	37	81	-22
Dem	67.1	48	12	34	7	79	36
Ind	25.0	10	58	2	47	83	-48
Rep	14.8	2	68	1	62	80	-66
Drop-Off	51.4	21	19	6	6	53	2
18 Barack Obama	51.5	47	42	34	34	99	5
Voters	49.5	45	44	32	36	99	1
Dem	79.7	84	7	66	6	100	77
Ind	42.6	36	51	21	41	99	-15
Rep	20.3	8	81	4	68	99	-73
Drop-Off	62.6	59	25	39	18	99	33

	Mean	% Warm	% Cool	% >75	% <26	% ID	Warm - Cool
[500 Respondents]							
19 (SPLIT B) John Boehner - the Republican leader of the House.....	46.0	29	28	11	21	70	1
Voters	45.7	29	30	10	21	72	-1
Dem	26.1	9	48	2	39	70	-39
Ind	45.3	28	32	8	20	75	-4
Rep	67.8	53	7	23	3	73	46
Drop-Off	45.8	23	18	7	14	62	5
[500 Respondents]							
20 (SPLIT A) Mitch McConnell, the Republican leader of the Senate.....	45.3	24	30	9	19	71	-6
Voters	44.5	24	31	9	20	74	-8
Dem	30.1	7	47	1	32	72	-40
Ind	41.5	20	36	9	23	74	-16
Rep	63.2	47	9	17	4	75	38
Drop-Off	42.3	20	28	12	18	60	-7
21 The N.R.A., or National Rifle Association	58.7	53	26	32	20	94	26
Voters	57.8	52	28	31	21	95	24
Dem	41.1	29	48	14	37	97	-19
Ind	62.1	58	23	36	16	93	34
Rep	73.6	72	9	48	6	94	63
Drop-Off	57.1	44	25	29	20	86	18
22 Pro-life, anti-abortion groups.....	50.2	40	38	29	31	96	3
Voters	49.6	39	38	27	31	96	1
Dem	35.9	23	55	13	45	96	-32
Ind	48.6	37	38	25	31	96	-1
Rep	66.6	61	19	45	15	97	43
Drop-Off	54.3	48	38	42	35	97	10
23 Gay marriage	42.4	34	46	25	41	96	-12
Voters	42.0	34	46	24	42	96	-12
Dem	57.4	55	31	38	26	98	24
Ind	42.2	29	42	23	38	95	-13
Rep	23.6	15	67	8	63	96	-52
Drop-Off	45.0	38	45	30	40	96	-7
24 The federal government in Washington	42.0	31	47	9	33	97	-16
Voters	40.8	29	49	9	35	97	-20
Dem	56.9	48	23	17	10	97	25
Ind	32.3	20	65	6	49	97	-45
Rep	30.3	15	65	3	51	97	-50
Drop-Off	50.0	42	32	15	20	95	10

	Mean	% Warm	% Cool	% >75	% <26	% ID	Warm - Cool
25 The Tea Party movement	45.7	36	39	20	32	90	-3
Voters	45.5	37	42	21	34	93	-5
Dem	20.5	11	75	3	63	93	-64
Ind	50.7	40	35	25	26	93	5
Rep	69.6	65	12	39	8	93	54
Drop-Off	41.2	21	32	7	27	78	-12
26 The new health care reform law.....	39.4	34	49	20	43	93	-15
Voters	38.5	34	51	20	45	93	-17
Dem	69.0	68	12	44	9	94	55
Ind	28.6	24	60	9	53	90	-36
Rep	12.6	4	86	1	79	96	-82
Drop-Off	48.1	39	39	21	26	90	-1
27 An independent, third political party.....	49.1	29	30	14	19	89	-1
Voters	48.5	28	31	14	20	89	-3
Dem	44.6	25	37	9	23	93	-12
Ind	57.4	40	20	23	14	88	20
Rep	44.8	22	35	11	22	87	-13
Drop-Off	52.8	33	23	17	16	85	10

(ref:THERM205)

[886 Respondents]

Q.28(ASK IF VOTED) Now let me ask you about the election for Congress held today. Did you vote for -- (DEMOCRATIC HOUSE CANDIDATE) or (REPUBLICAN HOUSE CANDIDATE)?²

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
(DEMOCRATIC HOUSE CANDIDATE)	45	45	87	38	3	-
(REPUBLICAN HOUSE CANDIDATE)	53	53	13	56	97	-
(Other candidate)	2	2	0	4	0	-

(ref:CONGEV)

[114 Respondents]

Q.30 (IF NOT VOTED IN VOTE10) Now let me ask you about the election for Congress held today. If you had voted, would you have voted for -- (DEMOCRATIC HOUSE CANDIDATE) or (REPUBLICAN HOUSE CANDIDATE)?²

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
(DEMOCRATIC HOUSE CANDIDATE)	52	-	-	-	-	52
(REPUBLICAN HOUSE CANDIDATE)	39	-	-	-	-	39
(Other candidate/Und/Ref)	-	-	-	-	-	-

(ref:CONGNV)

² In the landline sample, incumbent names were inserted preceded by party identification. In the cell sample, the generic candidate identifiers were used.

[432 Respondents]

Q.31 (IF VOTED)(SKIP IF REPUBLICAN HOUSE CANDIDATE) Think back in time for a minute. Did you, at any point in this campaign, think about voting for (REPUBLICAN HOUSE CANDIDATE) for Congress?

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
Yes, very seriously.....	4	5	2	9	11	-
Yes, somewhat seriously	9	9	8	8	22	-
Yes, only a little seriously.....	6	6	5	11	5	-
No	76	76	83	65	36	-
(Don't know/Refused).....	5	4	2	7	25	-
Total Yes	19	20	15	28	39	-
No	76	76	83	65	36	-
Yes - No.....	-57	-56	-68	-36	3	-

(ref:CHNCREPC)

[501 Respondents]

Q.32 (IF VOTED)(SKIP IF DEMOCRATIC HOUSE CANDIDATE) Think back in time for a minute. Did you, at any point in this campaign, think about voting for (DEMOCRATIC HOUSE CANDIDATE) for Congress?

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
Yes, very seriously.....	4	4	13	4	2	-
Yes, somewhat seriously	8	8	22	10	5	-
Yes, only a little seriously.....	6	7	8	8	6	-
No	78	77	46	71	86	-
(Don't know/Refused).....	4	4	11	6	2	-
Total Yes	18	19	43	23	13	-
No	78	77	46	71	86	-
Yes - No.....	-59	-58	-3	-49	-73	-

(ref:CHNCDEMC)

[886 Respondents]

Q.33 (IF VOTED) When did you finally decide to vote for (YOUR CANDIDATE): on election day, in the last few days before the election, the week before the election, a month before the election, sometime in September, during the summer, or before that?

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
Election day	9	10	11	11	7	-
In the last few days before the election.....	9	9	6	13	8	-
The week before the election.....	11	11	13	10	9	-
A month before the election	15	14	15	16	12	-
Sometime in September.....	9	9	7	7	12	-
During the summer.....	11	10	10	11	10	-
Before that	35	35	35	31	40	-
(Don't know/Refused).....	2	2	3	1	2	-
Total Early.....	46	46	46	41	50	-
Total Late	29	29	30	34	24	-

(ref:DECISIO2)

[886 Respondents]

Q.34 (IF VOTED) Was the issue of which party would control Congress, the Republicans or the Democrats, a factor in your vote for Congress this year, or not?

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
Yes.....	61	61	57	51	74	-
No	36	37	41	45	24	-
(Don't know/Refused).....	2	3	2	4	2	-
Yes - No.....	25	24	16	6	50	-

(ref:PTYINCON)

[454 Respondents]

Q.35 (IF REPUBLICAN HOUSE CANDIDATE) Would you say your vote for (REPUBLICAN HOUSE CANDIDATE) was more a vote for (REPUBLICAN HOUSE CANDIDATE), against (DEMOCRATIC HOUSE CANDIDATE), or to provide a check on the agenda of President Obama and the Democrats?

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
For the Republican candidate	42	44	61	30	49	-
Provide check on President Obama and the Democrats.....	36	34	6	43	34	-
Against the Democratic candidate	15	14	16	19	11	-
(Don't know/Refused).....	7	8	17	8	6	-

(ref:WHYVTREP)

[385 Respondents]

Q.36 (IF DEMOCRATIC HOUSE CANDIDATE) Would you say your vote for (DEMOCRATIC HOUSE CANDIDATE) was more a vote for (DEMOCRATIC HOUSE CANDIDATE), against(REPUBLICAN HOUSE CANDIDATE), or to support the agenda of President Obama and the Democrats?

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
Support agenda of President Obama and the Democrats.....	45	43	47	31	48	-
For the Democratic candidate.....	40	43	43	46	7	-
Against the Republican candidate.....	11	10	7	17	29	-
(Don't know/Refused).....	4	4	3	7	15	-
(ref:WHYVTDEM)						

[886 Respondents]

Q.37 (IF VOTED) While all three are important, which would you say was the most important reason why you voted for your preferred candidate for Congress: their political party, their issue positions, or their character and leadership abilities?

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
Issue positions	41	40	35	40	46	-
Character/Leadership abilities.....	35	37	38	41	30	-
Political party.....	20	20	22	16	21	-
(Don't know/Refused).....	4	4	5	3	3	-
(ref:RSNFORVT)						

Q.38 I know it's a long way off, but thinking about the presidential election in 2012, if the election for president were held today and the candidates were -- Barack Obama, the Democrat, or the Republican candidate, for whom would you vote?

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
Democrat Barack Obama.....	37	35	76	22	1	52
Lean Democrat Barack Obama.....	5	5	6	6	2	4
The Republican candidate	45	46	7	48	89	33
Lean The Republican candidate	4	4	1	8	3	5
(Other candidate)	2	2	-	3	3	2
Lean (Other candidate)	0	0	0	0	.	-
(Undecided)	7	7	8	9	3	4
(Refused)	1	1	0	2	-	-
(Will not vote)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Democrat Barack Obama.....	42	40	82	28	3	56
Total The Republican candidate	48	50	8	56	92	38
Total (Other candidate).....	2	2	0	4	3	2
(ref:PREZ12)						

Q.40 Now I'd like to ask you which party you associate more with these terms, the Democrats or Republicans.

	Dems Much More	Dems Smwt More	Reps Smwt More	Reps Much More	Both	Nei- ther	DK/ Ref	Total Dems	Total Reps	Dems - Reps
40 Shares your values	28	12	15	32	4	4	4	41	48	-7
Voters	28	12	15	32	4	5	4	40	47	-7
Dem	67	21	3	2	2	3	2	88	5	83
Ind	11	13	25	25	7	10	8	24	50	-26
Rep	-	1	19	75	1	2	2	1	94	-93
Drop-Off	34	17	19	19	2	2	7	51	38	13

[500 Respondents]

41 (SPLIT A) Too partisan	16	16	14	20	8	5	21	32	34	-2
Voters	17	16	13	21	9	4	20	33	34	-1
Dem	24	19	10	27	2	1	17	43	37	6
Ind	11	14	16	17	16	7	20	25	33	-7
Rep	15	15	14	17	10	5	23	30	32	-1
Drop-Off	9	9	24	14	2	8	34	18	38	-20

42 On your side.....	28	15	15	29	2	6	5	43	44	-1
Voters	27	15	15	29	2	7	5	42	44	-1
Dem	64	24	4	2	1	2	3	88	5	83
Ind	10	18	23	22	3	16	9	28	44	-17
Rep	0	2	21	67	1	5	4	2	87	-85
Drop-Off	36	15	16	21	6	2	4	51	37	14

[500 Respondents]

43 (SPLIT B) New ideas for addressing the country's problems.....	26	15	19	23	4	8	4	42	42	.
Voters	26	14	18	23	4	10	5	40	41	-1
Dem	57	22	3	7	4	3	5	79	10	69
Ind	12	13	19	24	8	18	7	24	43	-18
Rep	4	6	34	42	2	11	2	9	76	-67
Drop-Off	24	23	14	23	6	4	6	47	36	10

(ref:ASSOC)

Q.44 Now 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 Bttr	Dems Smwt Bttr	Reps Smwt Bttr	Reps Much Bttr	Both	Nei- ther	DK/ Ref	Total Dems	Total Reps	Dems - Reps
44 The economy	21	18	18	28	2	5	9	38	46	-8
Voters	20	17	18	29	2	5	8	38	47	-9
Dem	46	32	6	3	5	2	7	78	9	69
Ind	10	15	23	25	1	11	14	25	48	-23
Rep	1	2	28	62	1	3	3	3	90	-87
Drop-Off	21	21	17	22	0	3	17	42	39	3
[500 Respondents]										
45 (SPLIT A) Education	30	17	18	16	4	6	10	46	34	13
Voters	29	17	18	15	4	6	10	46	34	13
Dem	61	21	6	2	2	3	6	82	8	74
Ind	18	23	18	14	5	12	9	41	33	8
Rep	3	8	33	32	5	5	15	11	64	-54
Drop-Off	34	18	16	19	1	5	7	52	35	17
46 Taxes	19	16	20	29	1	5	9	36	49	-14
Voters	19	15	21	30	1	5	8	35	51	-17
Dem	41	28	14	5	2	2	7	70	19	50
Ind	10	13	24	31	1	10	11	23	54	-31
Rep	2	2	27	59	1	3	5	5	86	-81
Drop-Off	25	13	16	19	2	4	20	38	35	3
47 Health care.....	31	15	15	27	1	4	7	45	42	3
Voters	32	14	15	28	1	5	7	45	43	3
Dem	65	24	2	2	1	1	5	89	4	85
Ind	22	11	20	28	1	8	10	33	48	-15
Rep	2	4	26	56	1	5	6	6	82	-76
Drop-Off	28	26	10	20	0	4	12	54	30	24
48 Medicare	26	16	19	19	2	6	12	43	38	4
Voters	26	17	19	20	2	5	11	43	39	4
Dem	51	31	6	1	3	1	7	82	6	76
Ind	19	14	18	20	1	10	18	32	38	-6
Rep	3	4	34	43	1	5	10	7	77	-70
Drop-Off	29	20	14	13	1	8	17	48	26	22

	Dems Much Btrr	Dems Smwt Btrr	Reps Smwt Btrr	Reps Much Btrr	Both	Nei- ther	DK/ Ref	Total Dems	Total Reps	Dems - Reps
49 Immigration	17	13	19	29	2	7	13	31	48	-17
Voters	16	12	19	29	2	8	13	29	48	-19
Dem	35	20	12	7	2	8	16	56	19	37
Ind	9	13	21	28	3	11	15	22	50	-28
Rep	2	3	26	55	1	7	7	5	81	-76
Drop-Off	25	18	17	20	2	5	13	42	38	4

[500 Respondents]

50 (SPLIT A) Government

spending	16	16	22	27	3	9	7	32	49	-17
Voters	15	15	22	28	2	10	7	31	49	-19
Dem	30	31	15	5	1	8	9	61	20	42
Ind	11	11	27	24	6	14	7	23	50	-28
Rep	3	1	26	58	-	7	5	4	84	-80
Drop-Off	15	21	20	24	1	8	11	36	44	-8
51 Jobs and employment.....	22	17	21	25	2	5	8	38	46	-8
Voters	22	16	20	26	2	6	8	38	46	-8
Dem	49	28	8	1	4	4	7	77	9	68
Ind	11	16	24	26	3	11	10	27	50	-23
Rep	2	1	30	56	-	4	6	3	87	-83
Drop-Off	21	29	15	19	1	3	12	50	34	16

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52 (SPLIT B) The federal

budget deficit.....	19	13	22	25	1	8	11	33	47	-15
Voters	19	13	21	27	2	9	9	32	49	-17
Dem	46	23	8	3	4	6	9	69	12	58
Ind	6	11	30	24	2	16	11	17	53	-36
Rep	-	2	29	58	-	5	6	2	87	-85
Drop-Off	25	13	15	14	0	5	27	38	29	9

[500 Respondents]

53 (SPLIT B) The war in

Afghanistan	17	14	15	23	3	10	18	31	38	-7
Voters	15	14	15	24	4	10	18	30	39	-9
Dem	34	28	3	5	6	7	17	62	8	54
Ind	9	8	17	26	2	15	22	17	43	-26
Rep	0	3	27	43	2	8	16	4	70	-67
Drop-Off	31	10	20	16	1	5	16	42	36	6

(ref:BETJOBCEG)

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) I want somebody in Washington who will fight big corporate special deals and work for the middle class and American jobs.										
OR										
I want somebody in Washington who will rein in government spending and deficits and stop higher taxes.	44	7	5	35	7	0	2	51	41	10
Voters	44	8	5	35	7	0	1	52	40	11
Dem	62	13	3	15	7	-	.	76	18	58
Ind	42	4	6	35	10	1	2	47	41	6
Rep	24	5	7	59	4	-	2	28	66	-38
Drop-Off	45	6	13	23	11	-	3	50	36	14

[500 Respondents]										
55 (SPLIT A) Barack Obama is moving the country in the right direction.										
OR										
Barack Obama is moving the country in the wrong direction.	35	11	6	44	0	0	4	46	50	-3
Voters	32	13	6	45	0	0	4	45	51	-6
Dem	65	20	2	10	.	1	3	85	12	73
Ind	18	15	10	51	-	0	6	33	61	-27
Rep	7	3	7	81	0	-	2	10	88	-78
Drop-Off	49	12	5	29	2	-	2	61	35	27

	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]										
56 (SPLIT B) Government should do more to solve problems and help meet the needs of people.										
OR										
Government is doing too many things better left to businesses and individuals.										
individuals.	42	9	8	39	1	1	2	50	46	4
Voters	39	8	8	42	1	1	2	47	50	-3
Dem	62	14	8	13	1	1	1	76	21	55
Ind	27	7	9	52	1	1	3	34	60	-26
Rep	23	2	9	65	0	-	1	25	74	-49
Drop-Off	65	11	2	14	2	2	4	75	17	58

57 Leadership is about taking principled stands, and I want my elected officials to stand up for what they believe in, even if it means that legislation on important issues does not pass.										
OR										
Governing is about compromise, and I want my elected officials to work with the other side to find common ground and pass legislation on important issues.										
issues.	27	6	11	50	2	2	3	33	61	-28
Voters	27	5	10	51	2	1	3	32	61	-28
Dem	19	2	9	63	2	0	4	21	73	-52
Ind	28	5	8	53	2	2	2	32	61	-29
Rep	37	9	14	33	3	2	3	46	46	-1
Drop-Off	24	9	6	56	1	2	3	33	62	-29

	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]										
58 (SPLIT B) We need to prioritize both cutting the deficit and making growth-producing investments in American industry and small business to make us stronger and more competitive.										
OR										
Since we cannot both cut the deficit and continue high levels of spending, we need to make cutting the deficit the higher priority to make the U.S. economy stronger and more competitive.....	52	12	7	22	1	2	3	64	30	34
Voters	53	14	7	21	1	2	2	67	28	39
Dem	59	14	4	17	-	3	2	74	21	53
Ind	47	14	11	23	0	4	1	61	34	27
Rep	52	13	5	25	1	0	4	65	30	35
Drop-Off	51	2	12	27	1	2	5	54	39	14
(ref:PAIRS10)										

Q.59 Now I'm going to read you some more 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]										
59 (SPLIT B) In order to win in the future the Democratic Party must move more to the center in order to win over independent voters.										
OR										
In order to win in the future the Democratic Party needs to be more supportive of its core principles.....										
	39	19	11	24	1	3	4	57	35	22
Voters	41	19	10	23	0	3	5	59	33	26
Dem	27	16	17	33	-	3	3	44	50	-6
Ind	45	18	7	19	1	3	7	63	26	36
Rep	51	22	5	14	1	2	4	74	19	54
Drop-Off	31	17	13	31	2	3	3	48	44	3

60 President Obama should work to achieve his agenda for the country if - he thinks it is the right thing.										
OR										
President Obama should work harder and find common ground with Republicans in Congress going forward.										
	25	4	11	55	1	1	2	30	66	-36
Voters	23	5	11	56	1	1	2	28	67	-39
Dem	44	8	11	32	2	1	3	52	43	9
Ind	14	5	14	62	2	1	3	19	76	-57
Rep	8	2	10	77	-	2	1	10	87	-77
Drop-Off	36	4	6	49	2	-	3	40	55	-14

	1st Stmt Strng	1st Not Strng	2nd Not Strng	2nd Stmt Strng	Both	Nei- ther	DK/ Ref	Total 1st Stmt	Total 2nd Stmt	1st - 2nd
[500 Respondents]										
61 (SPLIT A)										
Congressional Democrats should do even more to stop the Congressional Republican agenda because Republican proposals would harm America.										
OR										
Congressional Democrats should be more willing to work with Republicans in Congress to find solutions.....	12	4	12	68	0	1	3	16	80	-63
Voters	12	3	12	67	1	2	3	16	79	-63
Dem	20	3	15	58	1	-	4	23	73	-50
Ind	9	4	8	69	1	3	5	14	77	-63
Rep	7	3	13	74	-	1	1	10	88	-78
Drop-Off	14	5	10	70	-	-	1	19	80	-60
(ref:DEMPAIRS)										

Q.62 Now I'm going to read you some more 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]										
62 (SPLIT A) In order to win in the future the Republican Party must move more to the center in order to win over independent voters.										
OR										
In order to win in the future the Republican Party needs to be more supportive of its core principles.....	32	16	12	33	1	2	3	48	45	2
Voters	34	15	12	32	1	2	4	49	44	5
Dem	45	19	9	22	1	2	1	64	32	32
Ind	38	12	11	29	2	2	6	50	40	10
Rep	19	13	16	48	-	1	3	32	64	-32
Drop-Off	29	15	12	37	3	4	2	44	48	-5

63 Republicans should give Barack Obama the benefit of the doubt and help him achieve his plans.										
OR										
Barack Obama will lead the country down the wrong path and Republicans should oppose his plans.	42	10	6	36	1	3	3	51	42	9
Voters	41	10	6	37	0	4	3	51	42	8
Dem	75	13	2	8	-	2	2	87	9	78
Ind	34	11	6	40	1	6	3	44	46	-2
Rep	8	6	10	68	0	5	3	14	77	-63
Drop-Off	58	9	7	23	1	-	2	67	30	37

	1st Stmt Strng	1st Not Strng	2nd Not Strng	2nd Stmt Strng	Both	Neither	DK/Ref	Total 1st Stmt	Total 2nd Stmt	1st - 2nd
64 Congressional Republicans should be more willing to work with President Obama to find solutions.										
OR Congressional Republicans should do even more to stop President Obama's agenda because his proposals would harm America.....	51	10	5	31	0	1	2	61	37	24
Voters	51	10	5	31	0	1	2	60	36	24
Dem	83	6	2	8	-	1	1	89	9	80
Ind	45	11	5	34	1	0	4	56	39	17
Rep	18	12	10	56	1	2	2	30	65	-35
Drop-Off	60	7	5	26	-	0	1	67	32	36

[500 Respondents]

65 (SPLIT B) I want my member of Congress and Senators in Washington to mostly work with President Obama to get things done.										
OR I want my member of Congress and Senators in Washington to mostly oppose President Obama's policies and provide a check on his power.	50	10	6	29	2	2	2	60	35	25
Voters	49	9	6	31	2	2	2	57	37	20
Dem	79	7	1	10	1	2	-	86	11	75
Ind	41	7	7	36	2	3	4	49	43	6
Rep	20	12	9	52	2	3	1	32	62	-29
Drop-Off	64	6	5	17	2	-	5	71	22	48

	1st Stmt Strng	1st Not Strng	2nd Not Strng	2nd Stmt Strng	Both	Neither	DK/Ref	Total 1st Stmt	Total 2nd Stmt	1st - 2nd
66 The Democrats lost in 2010 because they were too liberal. OR The Democrats lost in 2010 because voters were angry about the economy and politics in Washington. ...	15	6	15	48	5	3	8	21	62	-41
Voters	15	5	13	49	5	4	8	20	62	-42
Dem	8	5	15	53	0	7	11	12	69	-56
Ind	14	4	13	50	7	3	9	18	64	-46
Rep	25	6	11	42	10	3	3	31	53	-22
Drop-Off	15	11	21	45	2	0	5	26	66	-40

(ref:REPPAIRS)

Q.67 Now, I am going to read you two statements. After I read both statements, please tell me which statement comes closer to your own view, even if neither is exactly right.

We should extend the tax cuts for everyone, except the wealthy. Cutting taxes permanently for the middle class and raising them for those earning over two hundred fifty thousand dollars is necessary to reduce the federal deficit and protect Social Security.

We should extend the tax cuts for everyone. Raising taxes on anyone in a weak economy is a bad idea, and tax increases would hit small businesses especially hard. Increasing taxes on the people who create jobs is exactly the wrong medicine for a struggling economy.

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
First statement strongly.....	33	34	53	31	14	36
First statement not so strongly.....	11	11	16	9	7	14
Second statement not so strongly.....	7	7	5	6	11	13
Second statement strongly.....	43	42	20	45	63	35
(Both)	1	1	1	1	1	1
(Neither)	2	2	2	4	1	1
(Don't know/Refused).....	3	3	2	4	2	2
Total First statement.....	44	45	69	40	21	50
Total Second statement.....	50	49	26	51	74	47
First - Second.....	-6	-4	43	-10	-53	2

(ref:TCFRAMC)

[500 Respondents]

Q.68 (SPLIT A) As you may have heard, President Obama's health care reform plan was passed by Congress and signed into law. From what you have heard about this plan, do you favor or oppose Obama's health care reform plan?

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
Strongly favor.....	25	24	49	18	1	35
Somewhat favor.....	18	19	32	22	2	20
Somewhat oppose.....	6	6	2	9	7	6
Strongly oppose.....	43	44	8	43	87	25
(Don't know/Refused).....	8	8	9	10	4	13
Total Favor.....	43	43	81	39	3	55
Total Oppose.....	48	49	10	51	93	31
Favor - Oppose.....	-5	-6	71	-12	-90	24
(ref:OBHCPROP)						

[500 Respondents]

Q.69 (SPLIT B) As you may know, some Republicans have said that they will try to repeal the health care reform bill next year and replace it with other reforms. Do you support or oppose Republicans repealing and replacing the health care reform bill next year?

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
Strongly support.....	43	43	7	46	80	42
Somewhat support.....	7	9	9	11	7	9
Somewhat oppose.....	6	5	6	6	2	8
Strongly oppose.....	37	37	74	26	5	31
(Don't know/Refused).....	8	7	4	12	6	10
Total Support.....	50	51	16	57	87	51
Total Oppose.....	42	42	80	31	7	39
Support - Oppose.....	8	9	-64	25	80	12
(ref:REPEAL)						

Q.70 Now, I am going to read you two statements. After I read both statements, please tell me which statement comes closer to your own view, even if neither is exactly right.

We should improve but not repeal the health care reform law, because the insurance companies will lobby to win back the right to drop people or jump their rates if they get sick or have a pre-existing condition and the right to re-impose life time limits and raise rates. We should make changes that keep costs down, but not repeal it.

We should repeal the Obama health care reform law, and replace it with reforms to lower costs, allow people to keep the coverage they have now, and give individuals the same tax breaks businesses get to provide health care insurance. Obama's law will drive health care costs through the roof and bankrupt the country.

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
First statement strongly.....	31	33	55	30	9	29
First statement not so strongly.....	12	12	19	12	5	16
Second statement not so strongly.....	10	9	5	10	14	10
Second statement strongly.....	40	39	13	43	67	36
(Both)	1	0	0	0	-	2
(Neither)	2	2	4	3	1	3
(Don't know/Refused).....	4	4	5	3	4	5
Total First statement.....	43	45	73	42	14	45
Total Second statement.....	50	48	17	53	81	46
First - Second	-6	-4	56	-11	-67	-1
(ref:HCFRAME)						

Q.71 Do you consider yourself to be a supporter of the Tea Party movement, or not?

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
Strong supporter	19	21	5	23	38	9
Not so strong supporter.....	16	16	5	18	25	16
Not a supporter	56	56	86	49	29	54
(Don't know/Refused).....	9	7	4	9	8	21
Total Supporter	35	37	10	41	63	25
(ref:TEASUPP)						

Q.72 Have you supported the Tea Party movement by either donating money or attending a rally or meeting, or have you done both, or have you done neither?

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
Donated money.....	2	2	1	1	3	4
Attended a rally or meeting	4	4	-	6	7	-
Both.....	2	3	0	3	5	0
Neither	91	91	98	89	84	91
(Don't know/Refused).....	1	1	1	0	1	5
Total Supporter	8	9	1	10	15	4
(ref:TEAPACT)						

Q.73 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	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
1 - 11th grade.....	3	2	3	2	2	12
High School graduate	23	21	24	18	21	29
Non-college post H.S.	1	1	0	1	2	1
Some college	28	26	25	29	24	31
College graduate.....	28	28	28	27	31	17
Post-graduate school.....	16	20	19	22	19	10
(Don't know/Refused).....	1	1	0	2	1	-
(ref:EDUC)						

Q.74 Are you a member of a labor union?
(IF NO) Is any member of your household a union member?

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
Yes: Respondent belongs.....	10	11	17	9	6	7
Household member.....	6	6	6	7	6	10
No member belongs.....	84	83	77	84	89	83
(Don't know/Refused).....	0	0	1	-	0	0
Union Household	16	17	23	16	11	17
(ref:UNION)						

Q.75 And have you or any member of your immediate family been unemployed at some point in the last year?

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
Yes: Respondent	23	21	24	24	16	25
Yes: Family Member	24	23	24	22	24	34
No	53	55	52	55	59	41
(Don't know/Refused).....	0	0	1	-	0	0
Total Yes	46	45	48	45	41	59
(ref:EMPLOY2)						

Q.76 Are you married, single, separated, divorced, or widowed?

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
Married.....	58	61	52	63	69	36
Single	23	18	25	14	15	42
Separated/Divorced	11	11	15	12	5	16
Widowed	8	10	9	10	10	5
(Don't know/Refused).....	0	0	-	1	0	1
Sep/Div/Wid	19	21	24	23	15	21
(ref:MARITAL)						

Q.77 Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican or what?

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
Strong Democrat.....	24	25	66	-	-	21
Weak Democrat.....	13	13	34	-	-	23
Independent-lean Democrat.....	8	9	-	29	-	10
Independent.....	6	6	-	20	-	5
Independent-lean Republican.....	14	16	-	51	-	8
Weak Republican.....	11	9	-	-	29	16
Strong Republican.....	23	23	-	-	71	18
(Don't know/Refused).....	0	0	-	-	-	1
(ref:PTYID1)						

Q.80 Thinking in political terms, would you say that you are Conservative, Moderate, or Liberal?

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
Liberal.....	17	16	35	9	1	25
Moderate.....	34	36	42	45	20	30
Conservative.....	44	45	20	41	77	40
(Don't know/Refused).....	4	3	3	5	2	5
(ref:IDEO1)						

[152 Respondents]

Q.81 (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	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
Yes.....	20	31	28	30	36	6
No.....	79	66	66	70	64	94
(Don't Know/Refused).....	1	2	6	-	-	-
(ref:LANDLINE)						

[848 Respondents]

Q.82 (ASK IN LANDLINE SAMPLE ONLY) Now thinking about your telephone use, do you have a working cell phone?

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
Yes.....	84	82	78	81	87	82
No.....	15	18	21	18	13	18
(Don't Know/Refused).....	0	0	1	1	-	-
(ref:CELLLINE)						

[747 Respondents]

Q.83 (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	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
All or almost all calls on a cell phone	19	27	27	31	22	24
Some on a cell phone and some on a regular home phone	40	42	43	35	46	31
All or almost all calls on a regular home phone	40	31	30	33	31	44
(Don't Know/Refused)	1	1	1	1	1	-
(ref:DUALUSE)						

Q.84 What is your religion?

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
Protestant.....	48	49	46	43	57	44
Catholic	21	22	21	21	25	21
Jewish	1	1	2	2	1	1
Muslim.....	0	0	1	1	-	-
(Other/None/Refused).....	29	27	30	32	17	34
(ref:RELIG1)						

Q.85 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	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
More than once a week.....	17	16	13	13	23	17
Once a week	27	27	23	24	33	23
Once or twice a month	11	12	13	11	12	14
Several times a year	11	11	11	10	12	13
Hardly ever.....	26	26	28	32	17	24
(Never)	7	6	8	7	1	9
(Don't know/Refused).....	2	3	3	3	2	-
More than/Once a week	43	43	36	37	56	40
(ref:RELIG2)						

[967 Respondents]

Q.86 (ASK IF VOTED IN VOTE08) In the 2008 election for president, did you vote for Democrat Barack Obama or Republican John McCain?

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
Democrat Barack Obama.....	48	47	92	37	5	62
Republican John McCain	48	48	6	53	92	33
(Ralph Nader).....	0	0	-	0	-	-
(Bob Barr)	0	0	-	0	-	1
(Other).....	1	1	0	3	1	2
(Don't Know/Refused)	3	3	1	6	2	2
(ref:VOTE2008)						

[967 Respondents]

Q.87 (ASK IF VOTED IN VOTE08) In the 2008 election for Congress, did you vote for (2008 HOUSE DEMOCRAT) or (2008 HOUSE REPUBLICAN)?³

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
(2008 HOUSE DEMOCRAT)	43	43	79	35	8	48
(2008 HOUSE REPUBLICAN)	42	44	12	43	82	24
(Other candidate)	3	3	1	4	2	5
(Did Not Vote for Congress).....	4	3	3	5	2	14
(Don't Know/Refused)	8	8	5	12	6	9
(ref:VTCG2008)						

Q.88 What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
White	75	78	62	85	90	58
African-American or Black.....	13	10	22	4	1	23
Hispanic or Latino	8	8	12	5	7	17
Native American.....	1	1	1	2	0	1
Asian	1	1	1	2	0	0
(Other).....	1	1	1	1	1	-
(Don't know/Refused).....	1	1	1	2	0	-
(ref:RACETHN)						

Q.2 Respondent's gender

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
Male	47	48	39	61	45	36
Female	53	52	61	39	55	64
(ref:GENDER)						

Q.4 In what year were you born?

	Total	Voters	Dem	Ind	Rep	Drop-Off
18 - 24	9	5	5	3	7	29
25 - 29	8	6	9	6	4	17
30 - 34	8	6	4	7	7	17
35 - 39	8	7	7	7	7	6
40 - 44	11	10	9	11	11	5
45 - 49	10	9	9	9	7	7
50 - 54	7	10	11	10	9	5
55 - 59	9	11	14	10	8	3
60 - 64	10	13	12	12	14	3
65 and over	19	23	19	25	25	6
(No answer).....	1	1	1	1	1	1
(ref:AGE)						

³ 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.