

PEW RESEARCH CENTER FOR THE PEOPLE & THE PRESS
2012 VALUES SURVEY
April 4-15, 2012
N=3008

ASK FORM B ONLY [N=1514]:

Q.1FB Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President? **[IF DK ENTER AS DK. IF DEPENDS PROBE ONCE WITH: Overall do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President? IF STILL DEPENDS ENTER AS DK]**

	Approve	Dis-approve	(VOL.) DK/Ref		Approve	Dis-approve	(VOL.) DK/Ref
Apr 4-15, 2012	46	45	9	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	47	41	12
Mar 7-11, 2012	50	41	9	Jun 8-28, 2010	48	41	11
Feb 8-12, 2012	47	43	10	Jun 16-20, 2010	48	43	9
Jan 11-16, 2012	44	48	8	May 6-9, 2010	47	42	11
Dec 7-11, 2011	46	43	11	Apr 21-26, 2010	47	42	11
Nov 9-14, 2011	46	46	8	Apr 8-11, 2010	48	43	9
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	43	48	9	Mar 10-14, 2010	46	43	12
Aug 17-21, 2011	43	49	7	Feb 3-9, 2010	49	39	12
Jul 20-24, 2011	44	48	8	Jan 6-10, 2010	49	42	10
Jun 15-19, 2011	46	45	8	Dec 9-13, 2009	49	40	11
May 25-30, 2011	52	39	10	Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	51	36	13
May 5-8, 2011	50	39	11	Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009	52	36	12
May 2, 2011	56	38	6	Sep 10-15, 2009	55	33	13
Mar 30-Apr 3, 2011	47	45	8	Aug 20-27, 2009	52	37	12
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	51	39	10	Aug 11-17, 2009	51	37	11
Feb 2-7, 2011	49	42	9	Jul 22-26, 2009	54	34	12
Jan 5-9, 2011	46	44	10	Jun 10-14, 2009	61	30	9
Dec 1-5, 2010	45	43	13	Apr 14-21, 2009	63	26	11
Nov 4-7, 2010	44	44	12	Mar 31-Apr 6, 2009	61	26	13
Oct 13-18, 2010	46	45	9	Mar 9-12, 2009	59	26	15
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	47	44	9	Feb 4-8, 2009	64	17	19

ASK IF APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE (Q.1FB=1,2):

Q.1aFB Do you [approve/disapprove] very strongly, or not so strongly?

BASED ON TOTAL

	Apr 4-15 2011	Jan 11-16 2012	Sep 22- Oct 4 2011	Aug 17-21 2011	Feb 22- Mar 1 2011	Jan 5-9 2011	Aug 25- Sep 6 2010	Jun 16-20 2010	Jan 6-10 2010	Apr 14-21 2009
46 Approve	46	44	43	43	51	46	47	48	49	63
30 Very strongly	30	27	26	26	32	27	28	29	30	45
15 Not so strongly	15	15	15	15	18	16	17	17	15	13
2 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	5
45 Disapprove	45	48	48	49	39	44	44	43	42	26
36 Very strongly	36	35	34	38	29	30	32	31	30	18
8 Not so strongly	8	12	13	11	10	13	11	11	11	8
1 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	*
9 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	9	8	9	7	10	10	9	9	10	11

ASK FORM A ONLY [N=1494]:

Q.2FA All in all, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way things are going in this country today?

	Satis- fied	Dis- satisfied	(VOL.) DK/Ref		Satis- fied	Dis- satisfied	(VOL.) DK/Ref
Apr 4-15, 2012	24	69	6	March, 2006	32	63	5
Feb 8-12, 2012	28	66	6	January, 2006	34	61	5
Jan 11-16, 2012	21	75	4	Late November, 2005	34	59	7
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	17	78	5	Early October, 2005	29	65	6
Aug 17-21, 2011	17	79	4	July, 2005	35	58	7
Jul 20-24, 2011	17	79	4	Late May, 2005*	39	57	4
Jun 15-19, 2011	23	73	4	February, 2005	38	56	6
May 5-8, 2011	30	62	8	January, 2005	40	54	6
May 2, 2011	32	60	8	December, 2004	39	54	7
Mar 8-14, 2011	22	73	5	Mid-October, 2004	36	58	6
Feb 2-7, 2011	26	68	5	July, 2004	38	55	7
Jan 5-9, 2011	23	71	6	May, 2004	33	61	6
Dec 1-5, 2010	21	72	7	Late February, 2004*	39	55	6
Nov 4-7, 2010	23	69	8	Early January, 2004	45	48	7
Sep 23-26, 2010	30	63	7	December, 2003	44	47	9
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	25	71	5	October, 2003	38	56	6
Jun 24-27, 2010	27	64	9	August, 2003	40	53	7
May 13-16, 2010	28	64	7	April 8, 2003	50	41	9
Apr 21-26, 2010	29	66	5	January, 2003	44	50	6
Apr 1-5, 2010	31	63	6	November, 2002	41	48	11
Mar 11-21, 2010	25	69	5	September, 2002	41	55	4
Mar 10-14, 2010	23	71	7	Late August, 2002	47	44	9
Feb 3-9, 2010	23	71	6	May, 2002	44	44	12
Jan 6-10, 2010	27	69	4	March, 2002	50	40	10
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	25	67	7	Late September, 2001	57	34	9
Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009	25	67	7	Early September, 2001	41	53	6
Sep 10-15, 2009 ¹	30	64	7	June, 2001	43	52	5
Aug 20-27, 2009	28	65	7	March, 2001	47	45	8
Aug 11-17, 2009	28	65	7	February, 2001	46	43	11
Jul 22-26, 2009	28	66	6	January, 2001	55	41	4
Jun 10-14, 2009	30	64	5	October, 2000 (RVs)	54	39	7
Apr 28-May 12, 2009	34	58	8	September, 2000	51	41	8
Apr 14-21, 2009	23	70	7	June, 2000	47	45	8
Jan 7-11, 2009	20	73	7	April, 2000	48	43	9
December, 2008	13	83	4	August, 1999	56	39	5
Early October, 2008	11	86	3	January, 1999	53	41	6
Mid-September, 2008	25	69	6	November, 1998	46	44	10
August, 2008	21	74	5	Early September, 1998	54	42	4
July, 2008	19	74	7	Late August, 1998	55	41	4
June, 2008	19	76	5	Early August, 1998	50	44	6
Late May, 2008	18	76	6	February, 1998	59	37	4
March, 2008	22	72	6	January, 1998	46	50	4
Early February, 2008	24	70	6	September, 1997	45	49	6
Late December, 2007	27	66	7	August, 1997	49	46	5
October, 2007	28	66	6	January, 1997	38	58	4
February, 2007	30	61	9	July, 1996	29	67	4
Mid-January, 2007	32	61	7	March, 1996	28	70	2
Early January, 2007	30	63	7	October, 1995	23	73	4
December, 2006	28	65	7	June, 1995	25	73	2
Mid-November, 2006	28	64	8	April, 1995	23	74	3
Early October, 2006	30	63	7	July, 1994	24	73	3
July, 2006	30	65	5	March, 1994	24	71	5
May, 2006*	29	65	6	October, 1993	22	73	5
				September, 1993	20	75	5
				May, 1993	22	71	7
				January, 1993	39	50	11
				January, 1992	28	68	4

¹ In September 10-15, 2009 and other surveys noted with an asterisk, the question was worded "Overall, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way things are going in our country today?"

Q.2FA CONTINUED...

	Satis- <u>fied</u>	Dis- <u>satisfied</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>		Satis- <u>fied</u>	Dis- <u>satisfied</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
November, 1991	34	61	5	May, 1990	41	54	5
Gallup: Late Feb, 1991	66	31	3	January, 1989	45	50	5
August, 1990	47	48	5	September, 1988 (RVs)	50	45	5

ASK FORM A ONLY [N=1494]:

We are interested in volunteer activities for which people are not paid, except perhaps expenses. We only want you to include volunteer activities that you did through or for an organization, even if you only did them once in a while.

Q.3FA In the last 12 months, that is since April of last year, have you done any volunteer activities through or for an organization?

ASK IF HAVE NOT VOLUNTEERED (Q.3FA=2,9):

Q.4FA Sometimes people don't think of activities they do infrequently or activities they do for children's schools or youth organizations as volunteer activities. Since April of last year, have you done any of these types of volunteer activities?

BASED ON TOTAL:

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
Apr 4-15, 2012	53	47	*
Jan 4-8, 2012 ²	55	44	*

ASK FORM B ONLY [N=1514]:

Q.5 Is your overall opinion of **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE ITEMS a THROUGH c AND RANDOMIZE ITEMS a THROUGH c AS A BLOCK WITH ITEM d]** very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable? **[INTERVIEWERS: PROBE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN "NEVER HEARD OF" AND "CAN'T RATE."]** How about **[NEXT ITEM]**? **[IF NECESSARY: Just in general, is your overall opinion of [ITEM] very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable?] [INTERVIEWERS: PROBE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN "NEVER HEARD OF" AND "CAN'T RATE."]**

	----- Favorable -----			----- Unfavorable -----			(VOL.) Never	(VOL.) Can't rate/ Ref
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>Mostly</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>Mostly</u>	<u>heard of</u>	<u>Ref</u>
a.FB The federal government in Washington								
Apr 4-15, 2012	33	7	26	62	25	37	*	5
Feb 2-7, 2011	38	6	32	57	19	37	*	5
Feb 3-9, 2010	43	6	38	50	16	34	*	7
Jul 22-26, 2009	42	4	38	50	18	31	*	8
April, 2008	37	6	31	58	21	37	1	4
January, 2007	45	7	38	46	15	31	1	8
February, 2006	43	6	37	50	16	34	*	7
December, 2005	46	7	39	49	18	31	*	5
Late October, 2005	45	6	39	48	16	32	*	7
February, 2004	59	10	49	36	11	25	*	5
April, 2003	73	14	59	22	5	17	0	5
December, 2002	64	11	53	27	7	20	*	9
Mid-November, 2001	82	17	65	15	3	12	0	3
Late October, 2000 (RVs)	54	7	47	40	10	30	*	6
October, 1997	38	4	34	59	18	41	0	3

² In January 2012 question read "In the last 12 months, that is, since January of last year..."

Q.5 CONTINUED...

	----- Favorable -----			----- Unfavorable -----			(VOL.)	(VOL.)
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>Mostly</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>Mostly</u>	Never heard of	Can't rate/Ref
b.FB Your STATE government								
Apr 4-15, 2012	52	11	42	42	15	27	*	6
Feb 2-7, 2011	53	10	42	42	14	28	*	5
Feb 3-9, 2010	53	9	44	41	14	27	0	6
Jul 22-26, 2009	50	6	44	44	16	28	*	6
April, 2008	59	9	50	37	16	21	0	4
December, 2005	57	8	49	37	11	26	*	6
December, 2002	62	15	47	31	10	21	1	7
Mid-November, 2001	77	15	62	18	4	14	*	5
October, 1997	66	10	56	29	7	22	*	5
c.FB Your LOCAL government								
Apr 4-15, 2012	61	13	48	31	9	22	*	7
Feb 2-7, 2011	63	15	48	32	10	22	1	5
Feb 3-9, 2010	64	11	53	30	10	20	*	6
Jul 22-26, 2009	60	8	52	32	9	23	0	8
April, 2008	63	11	52	33	12	21	1	3
December, 2005	66	12	54	28	10	18	*	6
December, 2002	67	16	51	25	9	16	*	7
Mid-November, 2001	78	15	63	17	4	13	*	5
October, 1997	68	12	56	25	7	18	*	7
d.FB The Supreme Court								
Apr 4-15, 2012	52	11	41	29	10	20	*	18
July 1-5, 2010	58	9	49	25	8	17	1	16
Feb 3-9, 2010	58	8	50	27	8	19	*	15
Mar 31-Apr 6, 2009	64	8	56	21	6	15	0	15
April, 2008	65	15	50	25	7	18	*	10
July, 2007	57	12	45	29	9	20	0	14
January, 2007	72	18	54	17	3	14	2	9
July, 2006	63	7	56	27	8	19	1	9
February, 2006	60	16	44	28	10	18	*	12
Late October, 2005	62	12	50	27	10	17	*	11
July, 2005	61	12	49	28	10	18	*	11
June, 2005	57	8	49	30	8	22	*	13
July, 2001	70	15	55	20	6	14	*	10
March, 2001	72	15	57	20	5	15	*	8
January, 2001	68	18	50	21	8	13	1	10
October, 1997	77	13	64	18	6	12	*	5
May, 1997	72	16	56	22	5	17	0	6
July, 1994	80	18	62	16	3	13	*	4
May, 1993	73	17	56	18	4	14	0	9
November, 1991	72	18	54	21	5	16	0	7
May, 1990	65	10	55	25	7	18	1	9
January, 1988	79	14	65	13	2	11	*	8
May, 1987	76	13	63	17	2	15	*	7
Roper: March 1985	64	17	47	28	7	21	--	8

ASK ALL:

THOUGHT

How much thought have you given to the coming presidential election . . . Quite a lot or only a little?

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=2373]:

	Quite a lot	(VOL.) Some	Only a little	(VOL.) None	(VOL.) DK/Ref
2012 Election					
Apr 4-15, 2012	64	2	30	4	1
Mar 7-11, 2012	66	2	30	1	1
2008 Election					
November, 2008	81	3	13	2	1
Late October, 2008	81	3	13	2	1
Mid-October, 2008	81	3	13	3	*
Early October, 2008	81	2	14	2	1
Late September, 2008	80	3	14	2	1
Mid-September, 2008	78	4	14	3	1
August, 2008	74	6	17	2	1
July, 2008	74	2	20	3	1
June, 2008	72	2	23	2	1
Late May, 2008	75	4	17	3	1
April, 2008	77	7	13	2	1
March, 2008	78	3	15	3	1
Late February, 2008	74	3	19	2	2
2004 Election					
November, 2004	82	3	12	2	1
Mid-October, 2004	76	5	15	3	1
Early October, 2004	74	4	19	2	1
September, 2004	71	3	22	3	1
August, 2004	69	2	26	2	1
July, 2004	67	2	28	2	1
June, 2004	58	3	36	2	1
May, 2004	59	6	30	4	1
Late March, 2004	60	4	31	4	1
Mid-March, 2004	65	2	31	2	*
2000 Election					
November, 2000	72	6	19	2	1
Late October, 2000	66	6	24	4	*
Mid-October, 2000	67	9	19	4	1
Early October, 2000	60	8	27	4	1
September, 2000	59	8	29	3	1
July, 2000	46	6	45	3	*
June, 2000	46	6	43	5	*
May, 2000	48	4	42	5	1
April, 2000	45	7	41	7	*
1996 Election					
November, 1996	67	8	22	3	*
October, 1996	65	7	26	1	1
Late September, 1996	61	7	29	2	1
Early September, 1996	56	3	36	4	1
July, 1996	55	3	41	1	*
June, 1996	50	5	41	3	1
1992 Election					
Early October, 1992	77	5	16	1	1
September, 1992	69	3	26	1	1
August, 1992	72	4	23	1	*
June, 1992	63	6	29	1	1
1988 Election					
Gallup: November, 1988	73	8	17	2	0
Gallup: October, 1988	69	9	20	2	0
Gallup: August, 1988	61	10	27	2	0

THOUGHT CONTINUED...

	Quite	(VOL.)	Only a	(VOL.)	(VOL.)
	<u>a lot</u>	<u>Some</u>	<u>little</u>	<u>None</u>	<u>DK/Ref</u>
Gallup: September, 1988	57	18	23	2	0

ASK FORM 1A/2B ONLY [N=1460]:

REG Which of these statements best describes you? **[READ IN ORDER] [INSTRUCTION: IF RESPONDENT VOLUNTEERS THAT THEY ARE IN NORTH DAKOTA AND DON'T HAVE TO REGISTER, PUNCH 1]**

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71	Are you ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN that you are registered to vote at your current address [OR]
4	Are you PROBABLY registered, but there is a chance your registration has lapsed [OR]
25	Are you NOT registered to vote at your current address
*	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

ASK FORM 1B/2A ONLY [N=1548]:

REGIST These days, many people are so busy they can't find time to register to vote, or move around so often they don't get a chance to re-register. Are you NOW registered to vote in your precinct or election district or haven't you been able to register so far?
[INSTRUCTION: IF RESPONDENT VOLUNTEERS THAT THEY ARE IN NORTH DAKOTA AND DON'T HAVE TO REGISTER, PUNCH 1 FOR REGIST AND REGICERT]

ASK IF RESPONDENT ANSWERED '1' YES IN REGIST:

REGICERT Are you absolutely certain that you are registered to vote, or is there a chance that your registration has lapsed because you moved or for some other reason?

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77	Yes, registered
73	Absolutely certain
3	Chance registration has lapsed
1	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
22	No, not registered
*	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

ASK ALL:

OFTVOTE How often would you say you vote... **[READ]**

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=2373]:

	<u>Always</u>	<u>Nearly always</u>	<u>Part of the time</u>	<u>Seldom</u>	(VOL.) <u>Never vote</u>	(VOL.) <u>Other</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
Apr 4-15, 2012	57	29	8	4	1	*	*
Jan 4-8, 2012	60	24	8	6	1	1	*
Feb 22-Mar 14, 2011	62	24	8	4	1	*	*
Oct 27-30, 2010	58	24	11	5	2	1	*
Oct 13-18, 2010	57	27	10	4	2	1	*
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	59	26	9	4	1	*	*
June 16-20, 2010	52	31	11	5	1	1	1
Mar 31-Apr 6, 2009	62	23	7	5	1	1	1
November, 2008	60	23	8	5	2	2	*
Late October, 2008	57	26	8	5	3	1	*
Mid-October, 2008	57	27	7	5	3	1	*
Early October, 2008	53	27	9	6	3	1	1
Late September, 2008	55	27	9	6	2	1	*
Mid-September, 2008	54	28	10	5	2	1	*
August, 2008	55	29	9	4	2	1	*
July, 2008	53	30	10	4	1	1	1

OFTVOTE CONTINUED...

	<u>Always</u>	<u>Nearly always</u>	<u>Part of the time</u>	<u>Seldom</u>	(VOL.) <u>Never vote</u>	(VOL.) <u>Other</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
January, 2007	58	29	9	3	1	*	*
November, 2006	58	26	8	5	2	1	*
Late October, 2006	58	27	9	4	1	1	*
Early October, 2006	47	36	10	3	2	1	1
September, 2006	56	28	9	6	1	*	*
May, 2006	60	26	8	4	1	*	1
December, 2005	60	24	9	4	2	1	1
December, 2004	64	22	8	4	1	*	1
November, 2004	62	21	7	6	3	1	*
Mid-October, 2004	63	22	7	5	2	1	*
Early October, 2004	58	25	9	4	2	1	1
September, 2004	58	27	9	5	2	1	1
August, 2004	56	28	9	5	2	*	1
July, 2004	54	31	9	4	1	*	*
June, 2004	57	29	7	5	1	1	1
May, 2004	56	27	10	4	2	1	1
April, 2004	55	29	9	5	1	1	1
Late March, 2004	50	31	11	6	1	*	1
Mid-March, 2004	55	30	9	5	1	*	*
February, 2004	55	29	12	3	*	*	*
January, 2004	54	30	10	4	2	1	*
August, 2003	53	30	10	5	1	*	*
June, 2003	48	36	11	3	1	*	0
Early November, 2002	52	30	11	6	1	0	1
Early October, 2002	50	33	11	4	*	1	1
Early September, 2002	59	25	11	4	1	*	*
August, 2002	53	32	10	4	1	*	*
May, 2002	53	31	9	5	1	*	1
Early November, 2000	57	26	8	6	2	1	*
Late October, 2000	52	30	9	6	1	2	0
Mid-October, 2000	54	27	10	6	*	3	*
Early October, 2000	51	29	10	6	3	1	*
September, 2000	61	21	9	7	2	*	*
July, 2000	48	30	13	6	2	1	*
June, 2000	58	26	10	4	1	1	*
May, 2000	52	29	12	6	1	1	*
April, 2000	50	30	12	6	2	1	*
March, 2000	49	34	12	4	1	1	0
February, 2000	53	32	10	4	1	0	*
January, 2000	50	34	12	4	1	*	*
October, 1999	39	47	9	2	1	*	*
Late September, 1999	40	47	9	3	1	*	*
Late October, 1998	56	28	10	5	1	*	*
Early October, 1998	50	32	11	5	1	1	*
Early September, 1998	53	33	9	4	-	1	*
Late August, 1998	48	35	13	4	*	0	*
June, 1998	49	33	12	5	-	1	0
May, 1998	52	29	12	6	1	1	*
November, 1997	42	44	10	3	1	*	*
October, 1997	62	26	8	3	1	*	*

OFTVOTE CONTINUED...

	<u>Always</u>	<u>Nearly always</u>	<u>Part of the time</u>	<u>Seldom</u>	(VOL.) <u>Never vote</u>	(VOL.) <u>Other</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
June, 1997	54	30	10	4	1	*	*
November, 1996	55	28	8	6	2	1	*
October, 1996	52	30	9	5	2	2	*
Late September, 1996	52	31	10	4	2	1	*
Early September, 1996	53	29	12	4	1	*	*
July, 1996	52	33	8	5	1	1	*
June, 1996	52	33	9	4	1	1	*
Late April, 1996	44	37	11	5	1	1	1
Early April, 1996	49	35	10	5	1	*	*
February, 1996	42	41	11	4	1	1	*
October, 1995	53	35	7	4	1	*	*
April, 1995	53	34	9	4	*	*	*
November, 1994	58	28	8	5	*	1	0
Late October, 1994	55	32	10	3	*	*	*
July, 1994	52	34	10	4	*	*	*
May, 1993	57	31	7	4	1	1	*
Early October, 1992	54	33	8	4	*	1	*
September, 1992	52	33	8	5	1	1	*
June, 1992	60	29	7	3	1	*	*
May, 1992	50	35	10	4	1	*	*
Early May, 1992	49	35	10	4	1	*	*
March, 1992	47	36	11	6	*	*	*
February, 1992	50	36	9	4	*	--	2
January 1992 (GP) ³	40	35	11	11	4	--	*
November, 1991	46	41	9	4	*	*	*
May, 1990	42	42	11	4	1	*	*
January, 1989 (GP)	45	30	10	8	6	1	*
<i>Gallup</i> : November, 1988	57	26	10	4	2	1	*
October, 1988	51	37	8	3	1	*	*
May, 1988	43	41	11	3	2	1	*
January, 1988	49	39	9	2	1	*	*
September, 1988	51	40	6	2	*	1	*
May, 1987	43	43	9	3	1	1	*

NO QUESTION 6**ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REGICERT=1) OR (REG=1):**

Q.7 Now, suppose the 2012 presidential election were being held TODAY. If you had to choose between [READ AND RANDOMIZE] who would you vote for?

ASK IF OTHER OR DK (Q.7=3,9):

Q.7a As of TODAY, do you LEAN more to [READ IN SAME ORDER AS Q.7]?

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=2373]:

	<u>Romney</u>	<u>Obama</u>	(VOL.) <u>Other</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
Apr 4-15, 2012	45	49	2	4
Mar 7-11, 2012	42	54	1	3
Feb 8-12, 2012	44	52	1	3
Jan 11-16, 2012	45	50	2	4

³ Trends for January 1992 and January 1989 are based on general public.

Q.7/Q.7a CONTINUED...

	<u>Romney</u>	<u>Obama</u>	(VOL.) <u>Other</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
Nov 9-14, 2011	47	49	1	3
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	48	48	1	4

TREND FOR COMPARISON:**BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS:**

	<u>McCain</u>	<u>Obama</u>	<u>Nader</u>	<u>Barr</u>	(VOL.) <u>Other/ DK/Ref</u>
November, 2008	39	50	1	1	9
Late October, 2008	36	52	3	1	8
Mid-October, 2008	38	52	n/a	n/a	10
Early October, 2008	40	50	n/a	n/a	10
Late September, 2008	42	49	n/a	n/a	9
Mid-September, 2008 ⁴	44	46	n/a	n/a	10
August, 2008	43	46	n/a	n/a	11
July, 2008	42	47	n/a	n/a	11
June, 2008	40	48	n/a	n/a	12
Late May, 2008	44	47	n/a	n/a	9
April, 2008	44	50	n/a	n/a	6
March, 2008	43	49	n/a	n/a	8
Late February, 2008	43	50	n/a	n/a	7

	<u>Bush</u>	<u>Kerry</u>	<u>Nader</u>	(VOL.) <u>Other/ DK/Ref</u>
November, 2004	45	46	1	8
Mid-October, 2004	45	45	1	9
Early October, 2004	48	41	2	9
September, 2004	49	43	1	7
August, 2004	45	47	2	6
July, 2004	44	46	3	7
June, 2004	46	42	6	6
May, 2004	43	46	6	5
Late March, 2004	44	43	6	7
Mid-March, 2004	42	49	4	5
Two-way trial heats:				
June, 2004	48	46	n/a	6
May, 2004	45	50	n/a	5
Late March, 2004	46	47	n/a	7
Mid-March, 2004	43	52	n/a	5
Late February, 2004	44	48	n/a	8
Early February, 2004	47	47	n/a	6
Early January, 2004	52	41	n/a	7
October, 2003	50	42	n/a	8

	<u>Bush</u>	<u>Gore</u>	<u>Nader</u>	<u>Buchanan</u>	(VOL.) <u>Other/ DK/Ref</u>
November, 2000	41	45	4	1	9
Late October, 2000	45	43	4	1	7
Mid-October, 2000	43	45	4	1	7
Early October, 2000	43	44	5	*	8
September, 2000	41	47	2	1	9
July, 2000	42	41	6	2	9
Late June, 2000	42	35	2	2	19

⁴ After August 2008, June 2004, July 2000, July 1996, June 1992 and June 1988 the question specified vice presidential candidates.

Q.7/7a TREND FOR COMPARISON CONTINUED...

	<u>Bush</u>	<u>Gore</u>	<u>Nader</u>	<u>Buchanan</u>	(VOL.) <u>Other/ DK/Ref</u>
Mid-June, 2000	41	42	4	3	10
January, 2000	51	39	n/a	4	6
September, 1999	49	35	n/a	10	6
Two-way trial heats:					
July, 2000	48	46	n/a	n/a	6
Mid-June, 2000	45	46	n/a	n/a	9
May, 2000	46	45	n/a	n/a	9
March, 2000	43	49	n/a	n/a	8
February, 2000	46	45	n/a	n/a	9
December, 1999	55	40	n/a	n/a	5
October, 1999	54	39	n/a	n/a	7
September, 1999	54	39	n/a	n/a	7
July, 1999	53	42	n/a	n/a	5
March, 1999	54	41	n/a	n/a	5
January, 1999	50	44	n/a	n/a	6
Early September, 1998	53	40	n/a	n/a	7

	<u>Dole</u>	<u>Clinton</u>	<u>Perot</u>	(VOL.) <u>Other/ DK/Ref</u>
November, 1996	32	51	9	8
October, 1996	34	51	8	7
Late September, 1996	35	51	7	7
Early September, 1996	34	52	8	6
July, 1996	34	44	16	6
March, 1996	35	44	16	5
September, 1995	36	42	19	3
July, 1994	36	39	20	5
Two-way trial heats:				
July, 1996	42	53	n/a	5
June, 1996	40	55	n/a	5
April, 1996	40	54		6
March, 1996	41	53		6
February, 1996	44	52		4
January, 1996	41	53		6
July, 1994	49	46		5

	<u>Bush Sr.</u>	<u>Clinton</u>	<u>Perot</u>	<u>Other/ DK/Ref</u>
Late October, 1992	34	44	19	3
Early October, 1992	35	48	8	9
June, 1992	31	27	36	6
Two-way trial heats:				
September, 1992	38	53	n/a	9
August, 1992	37	57	n/a	6
June, 1992	46	41	n/a	13
May, 1992	46	43	n/a	11
Late March, 1992	50	43	n/a	7

	<u>Bush Sr.</u>	<u>Dukakis</u>	<u>Other/ DK/Ref</u>
October, 1988	50	42	8
September, 1988	50	44	6
May, 1988	40	53	7

**ASK IF RESPONDENT DID NOT CHOOSE ROMNEY IN Q.7/7a (Q.7=1 OR Q.7a=1,3,9):
RANDOMIZE Q.7b AND Q.7c**

Q.7b Do you think there is a chance that you might vote for Mitt Romney in November, or have you definitely decided not to vote for him?

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=2373]:

	Chance might <u>vote for</u>	Decided not <u>to vote for</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
Romney			
Apr 4-15, 2012	10	40	5=55%
McCain			
November, 2008	7	47	7=61%
Late October, 2008	7	51	6=64%
Mid-October, 2008	9	47	6=62%
Early October, 2008	10	45	5=60%
Late September, 2008	10	42	6=58%
Mid-September, 2008	9	40	7=56%
August, 2008	14	37	6=57%
July, 2008	13	38	7=58%
June, 2008	12	41	7=60%
Bush			
November, 2004	6	44	5=55%
Mid-October, 2004	5	43	7=55%
Early October, 2004	9	39	4=52%
September, 2004	9	38	4=51%
August, 2004	10	42	3=55%
July, 2004	10	41	5=56%
June, 2004 ⁵	9	41	2=52%
May, 2004	9	42	4=55%
Late March, 2004	11	40	3=54%
Mid-March, 2004	11	44	2=57%
Late February, 2004	10	43	3=56%
Early February, 2004	10	41	2=53%
November, 2000	8	44	7=59%
Late October, 2000	10	41	4=55%
Mid-October, 2000	12	40	5=57%
Early October, 2000	11	39	7=57%
September, 2000	15	38	6=59%
Mid-June, 2000	15	33	6=54%
Dole			
November, 1996	8	54	6=68%
October, 1996	11	51	4=66%
Late September, 1996	16	44	5=65%
Early September, 1996	14	47	5=66%
July, 1996	15	40	3=58%
Bush Sr.			
Late October, 1992	11	53	2=66%
Early October, 1992	13	46	6=65%
September, 1992	12	44	6=62%
August, 1992	15	45	4=64%
May, 1992	8	40	5=53%

⁵ In June 2004, May 2004, Late March 2004, Mid-March 2004, Mid-June 2000 and July 1996 the head-to-head match-up was asked both as a three-way and a two-way trial heat. In those surveys, this question followed the two-way trial heat.

**ASK IF RESPONDENT DID NOT CHOOSE OBAMA IN Q.7/7a (Q.7=2 OR Q.7a=2,3,9):
RANDOMIZE Q.7b AND Q.7c**

Q.7c Do you think there is a chance that you might vote for Barack Obama in November, or have you definitely decided not to vote for him?

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=2373]:

	Chance might <u>vote for</u>	Decided not <u>to vote for</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
Obama			
Apr 4-15, 2012	6	42	3=51%
November, 2008	6	38	6=50%
Late October, 2008	7	35	6=48%
Mid-October, 2008	8	35	5=48%
Early October, 2008	7	38	5=50%
Late September, 2008	8	37	6=51%
Mid-September, 2008	11	38	5=54%
August, 2008	12	36	6=54%
July, 2008	12	34	7=53%
June, 2008	14	32	6=52%
Kerry			
November, 2004	6	43	5=54%
Mid-October, 2004	6	42	7=55%
Early October, 2004	9	45	5=59%
September, 2004	11	42	4=57%
August, 2004	11	39	3=53%
July, 2004	13	36	5=54%
June, 2004 ⁶	10	41	3=54%
May, 2004	11	35	4=50%
Late March, 2004	13	37	3=53%
Mid-March, 2004	13	32	3=48%
Late February, 2004	13	36	3=52%
Early February, 2004	15	33	5=53%
Gore			
November, 2000	8	41	6=55%
Late October, 2000	9	44	4=57%
Mid-October, 2000	10	40	5=55%
Early October, 2000	11	38	7=56%
September, 2000	13	35	5=53%
June, 2000	14	34	6=54%
Clinton			
November, 1996	6	37	6=49%
October, 1996	10	35	4=49%
Late September, 1996	11	35	3=49%
Early September, 1996	10	34	4=48%
July, 1996	8	36	4=48%
Late October, 1992	11	43	2=56%
Early October, 1992	14	32	6=52%
September, 1992	12	28	6=46%
August, 1992	14	26	3=43%
May, 1992	11	38	6=55%

⁶ In June 2004, May 2004, Late March 2004, Mid-March 2004, Mid-June 2000 and July 1996 the head-to-head match-up was asked both as a three-way and a two-way trial heat. In those surveys, this question followed the two-way trial heat.

ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REGICERT=1) OR (REG=1):

Now I'd like to ask about how important some issues are to you...

Q.8 In making your decision about who to vote for this fall, will the issue of **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE; OBSERVE FORM SPLITS]** be very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important?

How about **[NEXT ITEM]**? **[IF NECESSARY: How important will the issue of [ITEM] be to you in making your decision about who to vote for this fall?] [INTERVIEWER: PLEASE RE-READ RESPONSE OPTIONS AS NECESSARY TO REMIND RESPONDENTS OF OPTIONS. IF RESPONDENT VOICES THEIR SUPPORT OR OPPOSITION TO AN ISSUE, CLARIFY: "this question is not about your position on each issue, just how important each issue will be to your vote."]**

		Very <u>important</u>	Somewhat <u>important</u>	Not too <u>important</u>	Not at all <u>important</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
ASK ITEMS a-d OF FORM A ONLY [N=1164]:						
a.FA	The economy					
	Apr 4-15, 2012	86	11	1	1	1
	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010 ⁷	90	9	1	*	*
	Mid-October, 2008	91	7	2	*	*
	August, 2008	87	12	1	*	*
	Late May, 2008	88	9	1	1	1
	October, 2007	79	18	1	1	1
	June, 2007	74	22	2	1	1
	Mid-October, 2004	78	18	3	1	*
	August, 2004	76	22	1	1	*
b.FA	Immigration					
	Apr 4-15, 2012	42	35	15	6	1
	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	58	29	8	4	1
	Mid-October, 2008	49	32	13	5	1
	August, 2008	52	33	10	4	1
	Late May, 2008	54	32	9	3	2
	October, 2007	56	31	7	4	2
	June, 2007	54	34	7	3	2
c.FA	Health care					
	Apr 4-15, 2012	74	19	5	2	*
	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	78	17	3	1	*
	Mid-October, 2008	77	19	2	1	1
	August, 2008	73	21	5	1	*
	Late May, 2008	78	17	3	2	*
	October, 2007	76	18	4	1	1
	June, 2007	71	23	4	2	*
	Mid-October, 2004	73	22	4	1	*
	August, 2004	72	21	5	2	*
d.FA	Abortion					
	Apr 4-15, 2012	39	25	14	18	4
	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	43	24	13	17	3
	Mid-October, 2008	41	29	16	12	2
	August, 2008	39	26	17	15	3
	Late May, 2008	40	27	15	15	3
	October, 2007	39	26	17	13	5
	June, 2007	40	30	13	14	3

⁷ In all 2010 trends, the question read "As you think about the elections for Congress this November, how important are each of the following issues to you. Is the issue of **[INSERT ITEM]** very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important? How about **[NEXT ITEM]**? **[IF NECESSARY: As you think about the elections for Congress this November, is the issue of [ITEM] very, somewhat, not too, or not at all important to you?]**"

Q.8 CONTINUED...

	<u>Very important</u>	<u>Somewhat important</u>	<u>Not too important</u>	<u>Not at all important</u>	(VOL.) DK/Ref
Mid-October, 2004	47	27	12	11	3
August, 2004	45	25	13	14	3

ASK ITEMS e-i OF FORM B ONLY [N=1209]:

e.FB	Jobs					
	Apr 4-15, 2012	84	13	1	1	*
	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	88	9	1	1	*
	Mid-October, 2008	80	15	2	2	1
	Late May, 2008	78	17	3	1	1
	October, 2007	71	23	3	2	1
	Mid-October, 2004	76	19	4	1	*
f.FB	The federal budget deficit					
	Apr 4-15, 2012	74	19	4	2	1
	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	69	22	5	2	2
	Late May, 2008	69	21	4	3	3
	October, 2007	61	28	8	1	2
	Mid-October, 2004	57	32	7	3	1
	August, 2004	55	35	7	3	*
g.FB	Medicare					
	Apr 4-15, 2012	66	24	7	2	*
h.FB	Gay marriage					
	Apr 4-15, 2012	28	20	18	30	3
	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010 ⁸	31	20	17	31	2
	Mid-October, 2008	28	21	21	27	3
	August, 2008	28	20	18	32	2
	Late May, 2008	28	21	19	29	3
	October, 2007	22	21	21	32	4
	Mid-October, 2004	32	22	19	24	3
	August, 2004	34	19	15	30	2
i.FB	Gun control					
	Apr 4-15, 2012	47	23	15	13	1
	Mid-October, 2004	45	31	14	8	2

ASK ITEMS j-i OF FORM 2A ONLY [N=622]:

j.F2A	Education					
	Apr 4-15, 2012	72	21	5	2	*
	Mid-October, 2008	73	21	4	2	*
	August, 2008	73	20	5	1	1
	Late May, 2008	78	17	3	1	1
	October, 2007	75	21	2	1	1
	Mid-October, 2004	75	20	3	2	*
	August, 2004	70	26	3	1	*
k.F2A	Foreign policy					
	Apr 4-15, 2012	52	38	6	2	2
l.F2A	Birth control					
	Apr 4-15, 2012	34	23	18	22	3

⁸ In July 2010 an experiment was conducted comparing the results of "Gay marriage" and "Same-sex marriage" and found no significant differences. The 2010 figures reflect the total of both items.

Q.8 CONTINUED...

		Very <u>important</u>	Somewhat <u>important</u>	Not too <u>important</u>	Not at all <u>important</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
ASK ITEMS m-n OF FORM 2B ONLY [N=592]:						
m.F2B	Afghanistan					
	Apr 4-15, 2012	46	34	13	5	2
	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	59	28	6	4	3
n.F2B	The environment					
	Apr 4-15, 2012	51	32	10	6	1
	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	57	33	7	3	1
	Mid-October, 2008	57	31	8	3	1
	August, 2008	59	31	6	3	1
	Late May, 2008	62	27	8	3	*
	October, 2007	58	31	8	2	1
	June, 2007	55	36	6	3	*
	Mid-October, 2004	53	37	7	2	1
	August, 2004	55	35	7	3	*
ASK ITEMS o-p OF FORM 1A ONLY [N=542]:						
o.F1A	Taxes					
	Apr 4-15, 2012	61	28	8	2	1
	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	68	24	6	2	1
	Mid-October, 2008	71	24	3	1	1
	Late May, 2008	68	24	5	2	1
	October, 2007	63	28	6	1	2
	June, 2007	62	29	7	2	*
	Mid-October, 2004	59	31	7	2	1
p.F1A	Terrorism					
	Apr 4-15, 2012	59	25	9	5	1
	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	71	18	6	3	1
	Mid-October, 2008	69	20	7	3	1
	August, 2008	72	20	5	2	1
	Late May, 2008	68	23	6	2	1
	October, 2007	69	22	5	3	1
	June, 2007	69	24	4	2	1
	Mid-October, 2004	77	17	3	2	1
	August, 2004	75	19	3	2	1
ASK ITEMS q-r OF FORM 1B ONLY [N=617]:						
q.F1B	Energy					
	Apr 4-15, 2012	61	30	6	1	1
	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	62	30	5	2	1
	Mid-October, 2008	78	18	3	1	*
	August, 2008	77	19	2	1	1
	Late May, 2008	77	20	2	*	1
	October, 2007	65	28	3	2	2
	June, 2007	61	32	4	2	1
	Mid-October, 2004	54	37	6	2	1
	August, 2004	53	40	6	*	1
r.F1B	Iran					
	Apr 4-15, 2012	47	34	13	4	2

ASK FORM A ONLY [N=1494]:

Next,

Q.9FA Do you think that most poor people in the United States are people who work but can't earn enough money, or people who don't work?

Apr 4-15 <u>2012</u>		<i>Kaiser</i> <u>Oct 2005</u>	<i>NPR/Kaiser/Harvard</i> <u>Feb 2001</u>	<i>Kaiser/Harvard</i> <u>Dec 1994</u>
65	Work	61	61	49
23	Don't work	32	34	44
12	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	7	5	8

RANDOMIZE Q.10FA AND Q.11FA**ASK FORM A ONLY [N=1494]:**

Q.10FA In general, do you think POOR people have higher, lower, or about the same moral values as other Americans?

Apr 4-15 <u>2012</u>		<i>NPR/Kaiser/Harvard</i> <u>Feb 2001</u>
12	Higher	8
14	Lower	21
67	Same	67
6	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	5

RANDOMIZE Q.10FA AND Q.11FA**ASK FORM A ONLY [N=1494]:**

Q.11FA In general, do you think RICH people have higher, lower, or about the same moral values as other Americans?

Apr 4-15 <u>2012</u>	
15	Higher
23	Lower
55	Same
8	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

ASK FORM B ONLY [N=1514]:

Next,

Q.12FB Compared to ten years ago, do you think there is a wider gap or a narrower gap between the standards of living of middle class people and poor people?

Apr 4-15 <u>2012</u>		<i>Gallup/Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies (JCPS)</i> August <u>1986</u>
61	Wider	40
28	Narrower	39
5	No change (VOL.)	10
6	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	11

ASK FORM B ONLY [N=1514]:

Q.13FB In the last ten years, do you think the values held by middle class people and the values held by poor people have become more similar or more different?

Apr 4-15 <u>2012</u>		<i>Gallup/JCPS</i> August <u>1986</u>
47	More similar	44
41	More different	33
3	No change (VOL.)	10
8	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	12

ASK FORM B ONLY [N=1514]:

Thinking about middle class and rich people,

Q.14FB Compared to ten years ago, do you think there is a wider gap or a narrower gap between the standards of living of middle class people and rich people?

Apr 4-15

2012

76 Wider
 16 Narrower
 4 No change (VOL.)
 4 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

ASK FORM B ONLY [N=1514]:

Q.15FB In the last ten years, do you think the values held by middle class people and the values held by rich people have become more similar or more different?

Apr 4-15

2012

22 More similar
 69 More different
 3 No change (VOL.)
 7 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

ASK FORM B ONLY [N=1514]:

On a different subject...

Q.16FB Do you approve or disapprove of the health care legislation passed by Barack Obama and Congress in 2010?

Apr 4-15		Mar 7-11	Jan 5-9	Nov 4-7	Sep 9-12	Aug 25- Sep 6	Jul 8-11	Apr 1-5
<u>2012</u>		<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u> ⁹	<u>2010</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2010</u>
41	Approve	47	41	43	38	44	35	40
49	Disapprove	45	48	47	45	46	47	44
10	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	8	11	10	17	10	17	16

ASK FORM A ONLY [N=1494]:

Thinking about Afghanistan...

Q.17FA How well is the U.S. military effort in Afghanistan going? [READ IN ORDER]

	Very well	Fairly well	Not too well	Not at all well	(VOL.) DK/Ref
Apr 4-15, 2012	7	31	31	18	12
Mar 7-11, 2012	13	38	25	16	9
Jan 11-16, 2012	10	45	26	11	8
Jun 15-19, 2011	10	43	28	12	7
Mar 30-Apr 3, 2011	7	43	29	15	7
Dec 1-5, 2010	8	39	28	15	10
Jul 8-11, 2010	9	40	31	9	11
Jun 16-20, 2010	8	40	32	13	7
Mar 10-14, 2010	9	43	22	13	13
Dec 9-13, 2009	7	39	32	11	10
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	4	32	41	16	6
Jan 7-11, 2009	7	38	34	11	10
February, 2008	10	38	31	10	11

⁹ In January 2011 the question asked about legislation passed "last year," and in November 2010 it read "earlier this year." In September, August and July the question asked about legislation passed "in March." In April, the question asked about the legislation passed "last month."

ASK FORM A ONLY [N=1494]:

Q.18FA Do you think the U.S. should keep military troops in Afghanistan until the situation has stabilized, or do you think the U.S. should remove troops as soon as possible?

	Keep troops in Afghanistan	Remove troops	(VOL.) DK/Ref
Apr 4-15, 2012	32	60	8
Mar 7-11, 2012	35	57	7
Jan 11-16, 2012	38	56	6
Jun 15-19, 2011	39	56	4
May 5-8, 2011	43	49	8
May 2, 2011	47	48	4
Mar 30-Apr 3, 2011 ¹⁰	44	50	6
Dec 1-5, 2010	44	47	8
Jul 8-11, 2010	47	42	11
Jun 16-20, 2010	53	40	6
Apr 15-May 5, 2010 (GAP)	48	45	7
Sep 10-15, 2009 (GAP)	50	43	7
June, 2009 (GAP)	57	38	5
Mid-Sep, 2008	61	33	6
April, 2008 (GAP)	50	44	6
Late Feb, 2008	61	32	7
May, 2007 (GAP)	50	42	7

ASK FORM A ONLY [N=1494]:

On a different subject ...

Q.19FA Do you think abortion should be **[READ] [PLEASE READ CATEGORIES IN REVERSE ORDER FOR HALF THE SAMPLE]**

	Legal in all <u>cases</u>	Legal in most <u>cases</u>	Illegal in most <u>cases</u>	Illegal in all <u>cases</u>	(VOL.) DK/Ref	NET <i>Legal in all/most</i>	NET <i>Illegal in all/most</i>
Apr 4-15, 2012	23	31	23	16	7	53	39
Nov 9-14, 2011	20	31	26	17	6	51	43
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	19	35	25	16	5	54	41
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	18	36	26	16	4	54	42
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	17	33	27	17	7	50	44
August 11-27, 2009	16	31	27	17	8	47	45
April, 2009	18	28	28	16	10	46	44
Late October, 2008	18	35	24	16	7	53	40
Mid-October, 2008	19	38	22	14	7	57	36
August, 2008	17	37	26	15	5	54	41
June, 2008	19	38	24	13	6	57	37
November, 2007	18	33	29	15	5	51	44
October, 2007	21	32	24	15	8	53	39
August, 2007	17	35	26	17	5	52	43
AP/Ipsos-Poll: February, 2006	19	32	27	16	6	51	43
ABC/WaPo: December, 2005	17	40	27	13	3	57	40
ABC/WaPo: April, 2005	20	36	27	14	3	56	41
ABC/WaPo: December, 2004	21	34	25	17	3	55	42
ABC/WaPo: May, 2004	23	31	23	20	2	54	43
ABC/WaPo: January, 2003	23	34	25	17	2	57	42
ABC/WaPo: August, 2001	22	27	28	20	3	49	48
ABC/BeliefNet: June, 2001	22	31	23	20	4	53	43
ABC/WaPo: January, 2001	21	38	25	14	1	59	39
ABC/WaPo: September, 2000 (RVs)	20	35	25	16	3	55	41
ABC/WaPo: July, 2000	20	33	26	17	4	53	43
ABC/WaPo: September, 1999	20	37	26	15	2	57	41

¹⁰

In surveys conducted March 30-April 3, 2011 and before, the question was worded "Do you think the U.S. and NATO should keep military troops in Afghanistan until the situation has stabilized, or do you think the U.S. and NATO should remove their troops as soon as possible?"

Q.19FA CONTINUED...

	Legal in all <u>cases</u>	Legal in most <u>cases</u>	Illegal in most <u>cases</u>	Illegal in all <u>cases</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>	NET <i>Legal in all/most</i>	NET <i>Illegal in all/most</i>
ABC/WaPo: March, 1999	21	34	27	15	3	55	42
ABC/WaPo: July, 1998	19	35	29	13	4	54	42
ABC/WaPo: August, 1996	22	34	27	14	3	56	41
ABC/WaPo: June, 1996	24	34	25	14	2	58	39
ABC/WaPo: October, 1995	26	35	25	12	3	61	37
ABC/WaPo: September, 1995	24	36	25	11	4	60	36
ABC/WaPo: July, 1995	27	32	26	14	1	59	40

ASK FORM B ONLY [N=1514]:

Next,

Q.20FB What do you think is more important – to protect the right of Americans to own guns, OR to control gun ownership?

	Protect right to own guns	Control gun ownership	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
Apr 4-15, 2012	49	45	6
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	47	49	5
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	48	47	6
Jan 13-16, 2011	49	46	6
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	46	50	4
Mar 10-14, 2010	46	46	7
Mar 31-Apr 21, 2009	45	49	6
April, 2008	37	58	5
November, 2007	42	55	3
April, 2007	32	60	8
February, 2004	37	58	5
June, 2003	42	54	4
May, 2000	38	57	5
April, 2000	37	55	8
March, 2000	29	66	5
June, 1999	33	62	5
May, 1999	30	65	5
December, 1993	34	57	9

ASK FORM B ONLY [N=1514]:

Q.21FB Do you strongly favor, favor, oppose, or strongly oppose allowing gay and lesbian couples to marry legally?

	-----Favor-----			-----Oppose-----			(VOL.)
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Strongly favor</u>	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Strongly oppose</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>DK/Ref</u>
Apr 4-15, 2012	47	22	25	43	22	21	11
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011 ¹¹	46	--	--	44	--	--	9
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	45	20	25	46	25	21	9
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	43	16	27	47	26	22	10
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	41	17	24	48	24	24	10
Aug 11-17, 2009	39	14	25	53	31	22	8
Mid-April, 2009	35	14	21	54	31	23	11
August, 2008	39	13	26	52	30	22	9
June, 2008	40	15	25	52	31	21	8
Late May, 2008	38	15	23	49	29	20	13
November, 2007	36	12	24	54	29	25	10
August, 2007	36	13	23	55	31	24	9
Early January, 2007	37	13	24	55	33	22	8

¹¹ In Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011, July 21-Aug 5, 2010, Aug 11-17, 2009, August 2008, August 2007, Early January 2007, Early November 2006, March 2006, July 2005, December 2004, Early February 2004, November 2003, Mid-July 2003, March 2001 and June 1996 the question was asked as part of a list of items. In August 2009, April 2009, May 2008 and June 2008, the question read "allowing gay and lesbian couples;" all other instances read "allowing gays and lesbians."

Q.21FB CONTINUED...

	-----Favor-----			-----Oppose-----			(VOL.) DK/Ref
	Total	Strongly favor	Favor	Total	Strongly oppose	Oppose	
Early November, 2006 (RVs)	30	10	20	57	31	26	13
July, 2006	35	12	23	56	31	25	9
June, 2006	33	13	20	55	32	23	12
March, 2006	39	10	29	51	28	23	10
July, 2005	36	13	23	53	31	22	11
December, 2004	32	14	18	61	38	23	7
August, 2004	29	8	21	60	35	25	11
July, 2004	32	10	22	56	33	23	12
Mid-March, 2004	32	10	22	59	35	24	9
Early February, 2004	30	9	21	63	42	21	7
November, 2003	30	10	20	62	41	21	8
October, 2003	30	9	21	58	33	25	12
Mid-July, 2003	38	10	28	53	30	23	9
March, 2001	35	8	27	57	34	23	8
June, 1996	27	6	21	65	41	24	8

NO QUESTIONS 22-29

ASK ALL:

- Q.30 Now I am going to read you a series of statements that will help us understand how you feel about a number of things. For each statement, please tell me if you completely agree with it, mostly agree with it, mostly DISagree with it or completely disagree with it. The first one is... **[READ ITEMS, IN ORDER. DO NOT RANDOMIZE. OBSERVE FORM SPLITS WHERE NOTED]** Do you completely agree, mostly agree, mostly DISagree, or completely disagree?
[INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: READ ANSWER CHOICES FOR FIRST TWO ITEMS AND THEN REPEAT AS NECESSARY. IT IS NOT NECESSARY TO INTRODUCE EACH ITEM WITH "the next one is" CAN GO STRAIGHT INTO ITEM OR USE SHORTER TRANSITION SUCH AS "how about" OR "next."]

	-----AGREE-----			-----DISAGREE-----			(VOL.) DK/Ref
	Net	Com- pletely	Mostly	Net	Com- pletely	Mostly	
a. People like me don't have any say about what the government does							
Apr 4-15, 2012	55	18	37	43	15	29	2
Sep 22-25, 2011	52	18	34	46	17	30	1
Mar 31-Apr 21, 2009	51	16	35	46	14	32	3
January, 2007	48	13	35	50	14	36	2
August, 2003	47	17	30	51	16	35	2
August, 2002	46	16	30	51	18	33	3
Late September, 1999	47	16	31	52	17	35	1
November, 1997	46	15	31	53	18	35	1
July, 1994	54	22	32	46	15	31	*
May, 1993	52	15	37	47	16	31	1
June, 1992	50	14	36	49	17	32	1
November, 1991	50	22	28	49	21	28	1
May, 1990	57	19	38	42	11	31	1
February, 1989	62	22	40	37	8	29	1
May, 1988	55	16	39	44	11	33	1
May, 1987	52	14	38	46	12	34	2
b. Generally speaking, elected officials in Washington lose touch with the people pretty quickly							
Apr 4-15, 2012	81	38	43	16	4	12	2
Sep 22-25, 2011	78	39	39	19	6	13	3
Mar 31-April 21, 2009	76	29	47	21	4	17	3

Q.30 CONTINUED...

	-----AGREE-----			-----DISAGREE-----			(VOL.) DK/Ref
	Net	Com- pletely	Mostly	Net	Com- pletely	Mostly	
January, 2007	79	31	48	18	4	14	3
August, 2003	75	33	42	22	4	18	3
August, 2002	74	28	46	22	4	18	4
Late September, 1999	77	28	49	21	5	16	2
November, 1997	76	32	44	23	5	18	1
July, 1994	83	39	44	16	3	13	1
May, 1993	82	29	53	16	3	13	2
June, 1992	84	35	49	15	3	12	1
November, 1991	84	41	43	15	4	11	1
May, 1990	78	30	48	19	2	17	3
February, 1989	80	30	50	18	2	16	2
May, 1988	76	26	50	22	3	19	2
May, 1987	73	22	51	24	3	21	3
c. Most elected officials care what people like me think							
Apr 4-15, 2012	35	6	29	62	22	41	2
Sep 22-25, 2011	34	7	27	63	24	39	3
Mar 31-Apr 21, 2009	38	6	32	59	18	41	3
January, 2007	34	3	31	62	21	41	4
August, 2003	39	6	33	59	20	39	2
August, 2002	44	7	37	52	17	35	4
Late September, 1999	39	5	34	59	18	41	2
November, 1997	41	6	35	57	19	38	2
July, 1994	33	4	29	66	25	41	1
May, 1993	40	5	35	58	16	42	2
June, 1992	36	5	31	62	16	46	2
November, 1991	36	7	29	62	23	39	2
May, 1990	44	7	37	53	14	39	3
February, 1989	44	5	39	54	12	42	2
May, 1988	47	5	42	51	11	40	2
May, 1987	47	5	42	49	9	40	4
d. Voting gives people like me some say about how government runs things							
Apr 4-15, 2012	69	24	45	29	10	19	2
Sep 22-25, 2011	65	25	40	33	12	22	2
Mar 31-Apr 21, 2009	68	21	47	28	8	20	4
January, 2007	71	23	48	26	8	18	3
August, 2003	73	27	46	24	8	16	3
August, 2002	72	28	44	25	9	16	3
Late September, 1999	73	27	46	24	7	17	3
November, 1997	67	27	40	32	9	23	1
July, 1994	66	24	42	32	11	21	2
November, 1991	74	32	42	24	9	15	2
May, 1990	73	23	50	25	7	18	2
February, 1989	73	25	48	25	5	20	2
May, 1988	75	26	49	23	5	18	2
May, 1987	78	23	55	19	4	15	3
e. Success in life is pretty much determined by forces outside our control							
Apr 4-15, 2012	35	12	23	63	25	38	2
April, 2009	32	10	22	64	24	40	4
January, 2007	34	10	24	62	23	39	4
August, 2003	30	11	19	67	32	35	3
August, 2002	30	10	20	66	30	36	4
Late September, 1999	32	11	21	67	29	38	1

Q.30 CONTINUED...

	-----AGREE-----			-----DISAGREE-----			(VOL.) DK/Ref
	Net	Com- pletely	Mostly	Net	Com- pletely	Mostly	
November, 1997	33	10	23	65	28	37	2
July, 1994	39	14	25	59	26	33	2
May, 1993	41	11	30	57	16	41	2
June, 1992	38	11	27	59	21	38	3
May, 1990	40	11	29	57	18	39	3
May, 1988	41	13	28	56	19	37	3
May, 1987	38	8	30	57	16	41	5
f. Hard work offers little guarantee of success							
Apr 4-15, 2012	35	14	22	63	27	36	2
April, 2009	33	11	22	65	26	39	2
January, 2007	34	11	23	64	30	34	2
August, 2003	30	13	17	68	32	36	2
August, 2002	30	12	18	68	33	35	2
Late September, 1999	29	11	18	69	33	36	2
November, 1997	33	13	20	66	32	34	1
July, 1994	39	15	24	60	28	32	1
June, 1992	45	15	30	52	22	30	3
November, 1991	44	20	24	54	25	29	2
May, 1990	36	10	26	63	23	40	1
February, 1989	41	14	27	57	21	36	2
May, 1988	32	11	21	66	26	40	1
May, 1987	29	7	22	68	24	44	3

ASK ITEM g OF FORM 1A [N=704]:

g.F1A I admire people who get rich by working hard							
Apr 4-15, 2012	88	49	39	11	4	7	1
April, 2009	90	49	41	8	3	5	2
August, 2003	90	54	36	9	3	6	1
August, 2002	89	53	36	9	3	6	2
Late September, 1999	87	52	35	11	5	6	2
November, 1997	89	52	37	10	3	7	1
July, 1994	88	51	37	11	3	8	1
June, 1992	89	47	42	10	3	7	1

ASK ITEM g.1 OF FORM 1B [N=758]:

g.1F1B I admire people who are rich							
Apr 4-15, 2012	27	6	21	67	26	40	6

ASK ITEMS h-I OF FORM 1A/1B [N=1462]:

h.F1 The strength of this country today is mostly based on the success of American business							
Apr 4-15, 2012	72	25	46	25	6	19	4
Sep 22-25, 2011	71	26	45	25	8	17	4
Mar 31-Apr 21, 2009	76	26	50	20	5	15	4
January, 2007	72	19	53	24	6	18	4
August, 2003	75	26	49	21	6	15	4
August, 2002	72	22	50	24	6	18	4
February, 2002	76	25	51	20	4	16	4
Late September, 1999	76	23	53	19	5	14	5
November, 1997	76	22	54	21	5	16	3
July, 1994	78	26	52	20	5	15	2
June, 1992	78	24	54	20	5	15	2
November, 1991	76	29	47	21	6	15	3
May, 1990	77	20	57	17	3	14	6
February, 1989	77	23	54	18	4	14	5
May, 1988	79	25	54	17	3	14	4
May, 1987	76	16	60	19	3	16	5

Q.30 CONTINUED...

		-----AGREE-----			-----DISAGREE-----			(VOL.)
		Com-			Com-			
		Net	pletely	Mostly	Net	pletely	Mostly	DK/Ref
i.F1	Government regulation of business usually does more harm than good							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	57	24	33	37	7	30	5
	Sep 22-25, 2011	59	29	30	36	10	26	6
	Mar 31-Apr 21, 2009	54	23	31	39	8	31	7
	January, 2007	57	18	39	35	5	30	8
	August, 2003	53	15	38	39	9	30	8
	August, 2002	48	16	32	43	8	35	9
	Late September, 1999	55	19	36	37	6	31	8
	November, 1997	57	20	37	37	5	32	6
	July, 1994	63	27	36	33	5	28	4
	June, 1992	61	19	42	33	5	28	6
	May, 1990	58	16	42	33	4	29	9
	May, 1988	57	17	40	35	4	31	8
	May, 1987	55	12	43	34	4	30	11
j.F1	The federal government should run ONLY those things that cannot be run at the local level							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	69	32	37	26	7	19	5
	Sep 22-25, 2011	68	30	38	28	9	19	4
	Mar 31-Apr 21, 2009	70	26	44	25	7	18	5
	January, 2007	74	27	47	20	4	16	6
	August, 2003	71	29	42	24	7	17	5
	August, 2002	69	29	40	26	6	20	5
	Late September, 1999	74	32	42	22	5	17	4
	November, 1997	74	33	41	24	7	17	2
	July, 1994	78	38	40	19	5	14	3
	May, 1990	77	26	51	18	2	16	5
	May, 1987	75	22	53	19	3	16	6
k.F1	When something is run by the government, it is usually inefficient and wasteful							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	59	29	31	37	9	28	4
	Sep 22-25, 2011	64	29	35	33	7	26	3
	Mar 31-Apr 21, 2009	57	25	32	39	7	32	4
	January, 2007	62	24	38	34	6	28	4
	August, 2003	57	23	34	39	8	31	4
	August, 2002	53	20	33	43	8	35	4
	Late September, 1999	59	23	36	38	7	31	3
	November, 1997	64	27	37	34	7	27	2
	July, 1994	69	33	36	30	5	25	1
	May, 1993	69	24	45	29	5	24	2
	June, 1992	70	29	41	28	4	24	2
	November, 1991	68	32	36	30	7	23	2
	May, 1990	67	22	45	29	4	25	4
	February, 1989	65	26	39	31	5	26	4
	May, 1988	66	24	42	29	3	26	5
	May, 1987	63	19	44	31	4	27	6
l.F1	The federal government controls too much of our daily lives							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	62	33	29	36	9	27	2
	Sep 22-25, 2011	64	36	28	35	9	26	1
	Mar 31-Apr 21, 2009	55	26	29	42	8	34	3
	January, 2007	64	28	36	33	6	27	3
	August, 2003	56	24	32	42	8	34	2
	August, 2002	54	25	29	43	8	35	3
	Late September, 1999	60	30	30	38	6	32	2

Q.30 CONTINUED...

	-----AGREE-----			-----DISAGREE-----			(VOL.) DK/Ref
	Com-			Com-			
	Net	pletely	Mostly	Net	pletely	Mostly	
November, 1997	64	29	35	35	6	29	1
July, 1994	69	37	32	30	5	25	1
May, 1993	65	26	39	34	4	30	1
June, 1992	64	28	36	34	5	29	2
November, 1991	63	32	31	35	7	28	2
May, 1990	62	22	40	34	5	29	4
February, 1989	57	22	35	43	9	34	3
May, 1988	61	25	36	36	5	31	3
May, 1987	58	18	40	37	5	32	5

ASK ITEM m OF ALL:

m. The government is really run for the benefit of all the people

Apr 4-15, 2012	41	9	31	57	20	36	3
Sep 22-25, 2011	41	9	32	56	22	34	2
Mar 31-Apr 21, 2009	49	11	38	48	14	34	3
January, 2007	45	10	35	52	15	37	3
August, 2003	52	13	39	46	15	31	2
August, 2002	55	13	42	43	14	29	2
Late September, 1999	49	11	38	48	14	34	3
November, 1997	48	9	39	50	15	35	2
July, 1994	42	10	32	57	19	38	1
June, 1992	44	8	36	54	17	37	2
November, 1991	48	11	37	50	16	34	2
May, 1990	52	10	42	45	10	35	3
February, 1989	57	12	45	41	10	31	2
May, 1988	53	11	42	44	10	34	3
May, 1987	57	9	48	39	8	31	4

ASK ITEMS n-v OF FORM 2A/2B [N=1546]:

n.F2 Business corporations generally strike a fair balance between making profits and serving the public interest

Apr 4-15, 2012	38	7	31	58	21	37	4
Sep 22-25, 2011	41	9	32	54	21	33	5
Mar 31-Apr 21, 2009	37	6	31	58	19	39	5
January, 2007	38	6	32	58	19	39	4
August, 2003	38	6	32	57	22	35	5
August, 2002	41	7	34	55	17	38	4
February, 2002	40	7	33	54	16	38	6
Late September, 1999	45	7	38	50	13	37	5
November, 1997	45	7	38	52	12	40	3
July, 1994	45	7	38	53	15	38	2
June, 1992	40	5	35	56	14	42	4
November, 1991	40	8	32	57	19	38	3
May, 1990	43	5	38	50	13	37	7
February, 1989	38	5	33	56	12	44	6
May, 1988	42	6	36	52	13	39	6
May, 1987	43	4	39	48	10	38	9

o.F2 There is too much power concentrated in the hands of a few big companies

Apr 4-15, 2012	75	39	37	22	5	16	3
April, 2009	77	32	45	21	5	16	2
January, 2007	76	38	38	21	4	17	3
August, 2003	77	40	37	20	5	15	3
August, 2002	77	33	44	20	4	16	3
Late September, 1999	74	31	43	23	3	20	3

Q.30 CONTINUED...

		-----AGREE-----			-----DISAGREE-----			(VOL.)
		Com-			Com-			
		Net	pletely	Mostly	Net	pletely	Mostly	DK/Ref
	November, 1997	73	31	42	25	5	20	2
	July, 1994	73	31	42	26	4	22	1
	May, 1993	72	26	46	25	3	22	3
	June, 1992	77	30	47	21	3	18	2
	November, 1991	80	41	39	17	3	14	3
	May, 1990	77	29	48	18	3	15	5
	February, 1989	84	35	49	13	1	12	3
	May, 1988	79	35	44	17	2	15	4
	May, 1987	77	27	50	18	2	16	5
p.F2	Business corporations make too much profit							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	61	30	32	35	10	25	4
	April, 2009	62	28	34	33	8	25	5
	January, 2007	65	30	35	30	8	22	5
	August, 2003	62	29	33	32	8	24	6
	August, 2002	58	23	35	36	7	29	6
	Late September, 1999	56	23	33	39	7	32	5
	November, 1997	58	21	37	38	7	31	4
	July, 1994	61	22	39	35	7	28	4
	May, 1993	63	22	41	32	5	27	5
	June, 1992	60	21	39	34	5	29	6
	November, 1991	65	29	36	30	7	23	5
	May, 1990	63	23	40	30	6	24	7
	February, 1989	72	27	45	23	3	20	5
	May, 1988	65	25	40	29	4	25	6
	May, 1987	65	21	44	28	4	24	7
q.F2	It is time for Washington politicians to step aside and make room for new leaders							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	76	36	40	19	4	15	5
	August, 2003	63	27	36	30	5	25	7
	August, 2002	58	22	36	35	6	29	7
	Late September, 1999	73	29	44	22	3	19	5
	November, 1997	68	27	41	27	4	23	5
	July, 1994	79	34	45	18	4	14	3
	June, 1992	84	38	46	14	2	12	2
	Nov, 1991	77	32	45	20	4	16	3
	May, 1990	61	21	40	30	4	26	9
	Feb, 1989	58	20	38	34	4	30	8
	May, 1988	68	26	42	25	3	22	7
	May, 1987	62	16	46	29	3	26	9
NO ITEM r								
s.F2	Many people today think they can get ahead without working hard and making sacrifices							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	54	23	31	45	17	28	2
	April, 2009	60	23	37	37	14	23	3
	August, 2003	60	20	40	38	15	23	2
	Late September, 1999	63	22	41	36	12	24	1
	November, 1997	62	25	37	36	12	24	2
	July, 1994	65	27	38	34	12	22	1
	June, 1992	63	24	39	35	13	22	2
t.F2	As Americans we can always find a way to solve our problems and get what we want							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	69	22	48	28	7	21	3
	April, 2009	70	19	51	27	9	18	3

Q.30 CONTINUED...

	-----AGREE-----			-----DISAGREE-----			(VOL.) DK/Ref
	Net	Com- pletely	Mostly	Net	Com- pletely	Mostly	
January, 2007	58	14	44	38	10	28	4
August, 2003	66	17	49	30	9	21	4
August, 2002	74	21	53	23	6	17	3
Late September, 1999	70	15	55	27	7	20	3
November, 1997	71	19	52	27	7	20	2
July, 1994	68	20	48	30	6	24	2
May, 1993	59	12	47	38	7	31	3
June, 1992	66	16	50	32	8	24	2
November, 1991	68	19	49	30	8	22	2
May, 1990	65	13	52	30	6	24	5
February, 1989	69	14	55	28	5	23	3
May, 1988	66	15	51	30	7	23	4
May, 1987	68	12	56	28	4	24	4
u.F2	I don't believe that there are any real limits to growth in this country today						
	51	20	32	45	14	31	3
Apr 4-15, 2012	51	20	32	45	14	31	3
April, 2009	54	17	37	40	11	29	6
January, 2007	57	15	42	39	9	30	4
August, 2003	58	18	40	37	11	26	5
August, 2002	65	22	43	31	8	23	4
Late September, 1999	62	20	42	34	8	26	4
November, 1997	56	17	39	41	10	31	3
July, 1994	62	22	40	36	8	28	2
May, 1993	56	14	42	41	7	34	3
June, 1992	58	19	39	38	8	30	4
November, 1991	62	24	38	35	9	26	3
May, 1990	65	19	46	30	5	25	5
February, 1989	68	22	46	28	5	23	4
May, 1988	64	19	45	32	6	26	4
May, 1987	67	17	50	28	4	24	5
v.F2	We need new people in Washington even if they are not as effective as experienced politicians						
	55	22	33	42	13	29	3
Apr 4-15, 2012	55	22	33	42	13	29	3
August, 2003	44	14	30	52	15	37	4
August, 2002	46	14	32	49	14	35	5
Late September, 1999	49	15	34	47	13	34	4
November, 1997	50	16	34	47	14	33	3
July, 1994	60	20	40	38	10	28	2
June, 1992	56	20	36	41	11	30	3
May, 1990	47	13	34	47	10	37	6
May, 1988	51	16	35	43	10	33	6
May, 1987	44	9	35	48	10	38	8
ASK ITEM v1 OF FORM 1B [N=758]:							
v1.F1B	Gays and lesbians should not be allowed to teach in public schools						
	18	10	8	78	48	30	4
Apr 4-15, 2012	18	10	8	78	48	30	4
ASK ITEMS w-x OF FORM 1A/1B [N=1462]:							
w.F1	Wall Street makes an important contribution to the American economy						
	58	16	42	34	11	23	8
Apr 4-15, 2012	58	16	42	34	11	23	8
April, 2009	63	17	46	28	8	20	9
x.F1	Wall Street only cares about making money for itself						

Q.30 CONTINUED...

	-----AGREE-----			-----DISAGREE-----			(VOL.) DK/Ref
	Net	pletely	Mostly	Net	pletely	Mostly	
Apr 4-15, 2012	72	35	38	22	5	17	5
April, 2009	67	28	39	27	6	21	6

NO ITEM y

ASK ITEM z OF FORM 2A [N=790]:

z.F2A It bothers me when I come in contact with immigrants who speak little or no English							
Apr 4-15, 2012	41	20	20	57	30	27	2

Item aa.F2 is presented with item j.F1 in Q.40

ASK ITEM bb OF FORM 2B [N=756]:

bb.F2B I think it's all right for blacks and whites to marry each other							
Apr 4-15, 2012	88	66	22	9	4	5	3

Item cc.F2 is presented with item m.F1 in Q.40

ASK ITEM dd OF FORM 1A [N=704]:

dd.F1A Occasional acts of terrorism in the U.S. will be part of life in the future							
Apr 4-15, 2012	64	23	41	31	11	20	5
April, 2009	62	18	44	32	10	22	6
January, 2007	70	21	49	24	8	16	6
August, 2003	74	25	49	22	7	15	4

NO ITEM ee

ASK ITEM ff OF FORM 1A/1B [N=1462]:

ff.F1 Everyone has a duty to be involved in community activities to address local issues							
Apr 4-15, 2012	89	44	45	9	3	7	1

ASK ALL:

PARTY In politics TODAY, do you consider yourself a Republican, Democrat, or independent?

ASK IF INDEP/NO PREF/OTHER/DK/REF (PARTY=3,4,5,9):

PARTYLN As of today do you lean more to the Republican Party or more to the Democratic Party?

	(VOL.)		(VOL.)		(VOL.) DK/Ref	<i>Lean</i> <u>Rep</u>	<i>Lean</i> <u>Dem</u>
	Republican	Democrat	Independent	preference			
Apr 4-15, 2012	24	31	39	3	*	2	15
Mar 7-11, 2012	24	34	36	3	1	2	16
Feb 8-12, 2012	26	32	36	4	1	2	13
Jan 11-16, 2012	22	31	42	3	*	2	17
Jan 4-8, 2012	26	31	35	4	*	4	14
Dec 7-11, 2011	23	33	38	3	*	2	12
Nov 9-14, 2011	24	33	38	3	1	2	16
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	23	33	38	2	1	3	18
Aug 17-21, 2011	24	30	40	3	*	3	17
Jul 20-24, 2011	24	32	38	4	*	2	16
Jun 15-19, 2011	26	34	32	4	*	4	13
May 25-30, 2011	24	33	38	3	*	2	15
Mar 30-Apr 3, 2011	25	32	37	3	*	3	17
Yearly Totals							
2011	24.3	32.3	37.4	3.1	.4	2.5	15.7
2010	25.2	32.7	35.2	3.6	.4	2.8	14.5

PARTY/PARTYLN CONTINUED...

				(VOL.)	(VOL.)	(VOL.)	Lean	Lean
	Republican	Democrat	Independent	No preference	Other party	DK/Ref	Rep	Dem
2009	23.9	34.4	35.1	3.4	.4	2.8	13.1	15.7
2008	25.7	36.0	31.5	3.6	.3	3.0	10.6	15.2
2007	25.3	32.9	34.1	4.3	.4	2.9	10.9	17.0
2006	27.8	33.1	30.9	4.4	.3	3.4	10.5	15.1
2005	29.3	32.8	30.2	4.5	.3	2.8	10.3	14.9
2004	30.0	33.5	29.5	3.8	.4	3.0	11.7	13.4
2003	30.3	31.5	30.5	4.8	.5	2.5	12.0	12.6
2002	30.4	31.4	29.8	5.0	.7	2.7	12.4	11.6
2001	29.0	33.2	29.5	5.2	.6	2.6	11.9	11.6
2001 Post-Sept 11	30.9	31.8	27.9	5.2	.6	3.6	11.7	9.4
2001 Pre-Sept 11	27.3	34.4	30.9	5.1	.6	1.7	12.1	13.5
2000	28.0	33.4	29.1	5.5	.5	3.6	11.6	11.7
1999	26.6	33.5	33.7	3.9	.5	1.9	13.0	14.5
1998	27.9	33.7	31.1	4.6	.4	2.3	11.6	13.1
1997	28.0	33.4	32.0	4.0	.4	2.3	12.2	14.1
1996	28.9	33.9	31.8	3.0	.4	2.0	12.1	14.9
1995	31.6	30.0	33.7	2.4	.6	1.3	15.1	13.5
1994	30.1	31.5	33.5	1.3	--	3.6	13.7	12.2
1993	27.4	33.6	34.2	4.4	1.5	2.9	11.5	14.9
1992	27.6	33.7	34.7	1.5	0	2.5	12.6	16.5
1991	30.9	31.4	33.2	0	1.4	3.0	14.7	10.8
1990	30.9	33.2	29.3	1.2	1.9	3.4	12.4	11.3
1989	33	33	34	--	--	--	--	--
1987	26	35	39	--	--	--	--	--

ASK IF REPUBLICAN OR DEMOCRAT (PARTY=1,2)

PARTYSTR Do you consider yourself a STRONG [Republican/Democrat] or NOT a strong [Republican/Democrat]?

	Strong Republican	Not strong/ DK	Strong Democrat	Not strong/ DK
Apr 4-15, 2012	14	10=24%	20	11=31%
Mar 8-14, 2011	12	12=24%	20	13=33%
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	14	10=24%	18	15=33%
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	14	10=24%	19	13=32%
Oct 28-Nov 30, 2009	13	12=25%	20	11=32%
April, 2009	12	10=22%	20	13=33%
October, 2007 ¹²	13	12=25%	19	14=33%
August, 2007	14	12=26%	18	14=32%
July, 2007	16	11=27%	19	13=32%
June, 2007	13	12=25%	19	15=34%
April, 2007	14	11=25%	15	13=28%
January, 2007	12	11=23%	17	14=31%
Mid-November, 2006	14	11=25%	22	14=36%
Late October, 2006	14	12=26%	18	14=32%
Early October, 2006	15	12=27%	19	15=34%
September, 2006	17	13=30%	18	16=34%
December, 2005	16	13=29%	20	14=34%
December, 2004	18	13=31%	19	15=34%
July, 2004	17	12=29%	20	13=33%
August, 2003	14	13=27%	15	16=31%
September, 2000	14	13=27%	19	15=34%
Late September, 1999	10	14=24%	15	16=31%
August, 1999	11	14=25%	15	18=33%
November, 1997	11	14=25%	14	18=32%
October, 1995	11	19=30%	14	16=30%
April, 1995	15	15=30%	14	15=29%

¹² Data from Pew Research Center Social & Demographic Trends.

PARTYSTR CONTINUED...

	<u>Strong Republican</u>	<u>Not strong/ DK</u>	<u>Strong Democrat</u>	<u>Not strong/ DK</u>
October, 1994	16	15=31%	18	14=32%
July, 1994	13	16=29%	15	18=33%
June, 1992	11	17=28%	14	18=32%
May, 1990	13	15=28%	16	17=33%
February, 1989	15	16=31%	17	21=38%
May, 1988	13	15=28%	19	19=38%
January, 1988	12	15=27%	19	20=39%
May, 1987	11	14=25%	18	19=37%

ASK REPUBLICANS AND REPUBLICAN LEANERS ONLY (PARTY=1 OR PARTYLN=1):

REPJOB How good a job is the Republican Party doing these days in standing up for its traditional positions on such things as reducing the size of government, cutting taxes and promoting conservative social values — In general, would you say the Party is doing an excellent job, a good job, only a fair job or a poor job?

BASED ON REPUBLICANS AND REPUBLICAN LEANERS [N=1272]:

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Only fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	(VOL.) DK/Ref
Apr 4-15, 2012	4	24	55	16	2
Aug 17-21, 2011	3	36	49	10	2
Nov 4-7, 2010	8	32	40	12	8
Feb 3-9, 2010	3	31	49	14	3
Mar 31-Apr 21, 2009	3	18	54	23	2
Mid-September, 2008	4	31	44	19	2
October, 2007	5	31	49	13	2
Late November, 2006	7	35	41	15	2
June, 2006	6	36	44	10	4
April, 2006	6	41	41	10	2
Mid-September, 2005	4	44	41	8	3
Late March, 2005	8	43	36	9	4
July, 2004	12	49	33	4	2
August, 2003	6	51	37	5	1
May, 2002	6	49	38	5	2
May, 2001	10	50	32	5	3
September, 2000 (RVs)	6	43	44	5	2

ASK DEMOCRATS AND DEMOCRATIC LEANERS ONLY (PARTY=2 OR PARTYLN=2):

DEMJOB How good a job is the Democratic Party doing these days in standing up for its traditional positions on such things as protecting the interests of minorities, helping the poor and needy, and representing working people — In general, would you say the Party is doing an excellent job, a good job, only a fair job or a poor job?

BASED ON DEMOCRATS AND DEMOCRATIC LEANERS [N=1348]:

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Only fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	(VOL.) DK/Ref
Apr 4-15, 2012	6	35	49	9	1
Aug 17-21, 2011	6	32	47	14	1
Nov 4-7, 2010	10	38	35	15	2
Feb 3-9, 2010	8	47	36	7	1
Mar 31-Apr 21, 2009	10	45	39	4	2
Mid-September, 2008	9	41	36	11	3
October, 2007	4	35	48	9	4
Late November, 2006	6	37	45	7	5
June, 2006	4	30	51	13	2
April, 2006	5	35	48	11	1
Mid-September, 2005	3	32	49	14	2
Late March, 2005	3	30	51	14	2

DEMJOB CONTINUED...

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Only fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
July, 2004	6	43	40	8	3
August, 2003	5	33	51	9	2
May, 2002	5	39	43	10	3
May, 2001	8	39	40	7	6
September, 2000 (RVs)	11	52	32	4	1

ASK ALL:

TEAPARTY2 From what you know, do you agree or disagree with the Tea Party movement, or don't you have an opinion either way?

	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>No opinion either way</u>	(VOL.) <u>Haven't heard of</u>	(VOL.) <u>Refused</u>	<i>Not heard of/</i> <u>DK</u>
Apr 4-15, 2012	20	26	50	3	2	--
Mar 7-11, 2012	19	29	48	2	2	--
Feb 8-12, 2012	18	25	53	2	2	--
Jan 11-16, 2012	20	24	52	2	2	--
Jan 4-8, 2012	18	25	52	2	3	--
Dec 7-11, 2011	19	27	50	2	2	--
Nov 9-14, 2011	20	27	51	1	1	--
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	19	27	51	2	1	--
Aug 17-21, 2011	20	27	50	1	1	--
Jul 20-24, 2011	20	24	53	1	1	--
Jun 15-19, 2011	20	26	50	3	2	--
May 25-30, 2011	18	23	54	2	2	--
Mar 30-Apr 3, 2011	22	29	47	1	1	--
Mar 8-14, 2011	19	25	54	1	1	--
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	20	25	52	2	2	--
Feb 2-7, 2011 ¹³	22	22	53	2	2	--
Jan 5-9, 2011	24	22	50	2	1	--
Dec 1-5, 2010	22	26	49	2	2	--
Nov 4-7, 2010	27	22	49	1	1	--
Oct 27-30, 2010 (RVs)	29	25	32	--	1	13
Oct 13-18, 2010 (RVs)	28	24	30	--	1	16
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010 (RVs)	29	26	32	--	1	13
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	22	18	37	--	1	21
Jun 16-20, 2010	24	18	30	--	*	27
May 20-23, 2010	25	18	31	--	1	25
Mar 11-21, 2010	24	14	29	--	1	31

NO QUESTIONS 31-34

¹³ In the February 2-7, 2011 survey and before, question read "...do you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree with the Tea Party movement..." In October 2010 and earlier, question was asked only of those who had heard or read a lot or a little about the Tea Party. In May 2010 through October 2010, it was described as: "the Tea Party movement that has been involved in campaigns and protests in the U.S. over the past year." In March 2010 it was described as "the Tea Party protests that have taken place in the U.S. over the past year."

ASK REPUBLICAN/REPUBLICAN LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS ((REGICERT=1 OR REG=1) AND (PARTY=1 OR PARTYLN=1)):

Q.35 As I name some Republican candidates for president, please tell me which one, if any, you would most like to see nominated as the Republican Party's candidate? **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**
[PROBE IF NECESSARY: As of today, who would you say you LEAN toward?]

BASED ON REPUBLICAN/REPUBLICAN-LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1099]:

Apr ¹⁴ 4-15 2012		Mar 7-11 2012	Feb 8-12 2012	Jan 11-16 2012	Jan 4-8 2012	Dec 7-11 2011	Nov 9-14 2011	Sep 22- Oct 4 2011	Jul 20-24 2011	Mar 8-14 2011	Nov 4-7 2010
42	Mitt Romney	33	28	31	27	21	23	21	21	21	17
21	Rick Santorum	24	30	14	16	3	2	2	1	2	2
13	Newt Gingrich	20	17	16	16	33	16	7	3	11	9
13	Ron Paul	14	12	15	12	8	8	11	9	8	10
2	Other (VOL.) ¹⁵	*	1	2	1	*	*	1	1	1	5
--	Rick Perry	--	--	5	6	4	8	16	12	--	--
--	Jon Huntsman	--	--	2	2	3	1	1	2	--	--
--	Michele Bachmann	--	--	--	--	6	5	4	11	--	--
--	Herman Cain	--	--	--	--	--	22	12	8	--	--
--	Sarah Palin	--	--	--	--	--	--	9	11	13	16
--	Tim Pawlenty	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	3	3	5
--	Mike Huckabee	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	20	19
--	Mitch Daniels	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	--
--	Haley Barbour	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	2
--	Chris Christie	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	--
4	None (VOL.)	4	4	4	4	10	4	5	5	5	4
2	Too early to tell (VOL.)	3	3	6	5	4	5	5	7	3	--
3	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	2	5	6	10	7	5	5	8	7	10

¹⁴ On April 10, 2012 Santorum announced the end of his campaign. Question wording for April 10-15, 2012 was changed to "Thinking about the Republican presidential primary, please tell me who, if anyone, you would most like to see nominated..."

¹⁵ Perry, Huntsman, Bachmann, Cain, Palin, Pawlenty, Huckabee, Daniels and Barbour were explicitly asked in some previous surveys. Chris Christie was never asked in any surveys. In surveys in which they received less than 1% support, these responses are included in other. Dashes indicate that candidates were not explicitly asked about and received less than 1% support.

ASK REPUBLICAN/REPUBLICAN LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS ((REGICERT=1 OR REG=1) AND (PARTY=1 OR PARTYLN=1)):

Q.36 If Mitt Romney is the Republican candidate, do you think the Republican Party will unite solidly behind him or do you think disagreements within the party will keep many Republicans from supporting Romney?

BASED ON REPUBLICAN/REPUBLICAN-LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1099]:

Apr 4-15 <u>2012</u>		Feb 8-12 <u>2012</u>
65	Solidly unite	57
25	Keep many from supporting	32
10	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	11

TRENDS FOR COMPARISON:

	Rep/Rep Leaning Registered Voters			
	<i>John McCain</i>		<i>Bob Dole</i>	
	May	Mar	Late Feb	Jul
	<u>2008</u> ¹⁶	<u>2008</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>1996</u>
Solidly unite	63	64	58	46
Keep many from supporting	26	22	32	39
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	11	14	10	15

	Dem/Dem Leaning Registered Voters			
	<i>Barack Obama</i>		<i>John Kerry</i>	<i>Bill Clinton</i>
	May	Mar	Jul	Jul
	<u>2008</u> ¹⁷	<u>2008</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>1992</u>
Solidly unite	61	66	71	45
Keep many from supporting	31	25	15	38
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	8	9	14	17

NO QUESTIONS 37-39

¹⁶ From February-May 2008 the question read: "Do you think the Republican Party will unite solidly behind John McCain or do you think that differences and disagreements within the party will keep many Republicans from supporting McCain." This question was asked about Bob Dole after the Republican nomination had been settled.

¹⁷ In May 2008, the question read: "If Barack Obama is the Democratic candidate, do you think the Democratic Party will solidly unite behind him or do you think that differences and disagreements within the party will keep many Democrats from supporting Obama." In March 2008, the question began: "If Barack Obama wins the Democratic nomination..." but otherwise has the same language as May 2008. These questions were asked about John Kerry and Bill Clinton after the Democratic nominations had been settled.

ASK FORM 1A/1B ONLY [N=1462]:

Q.40F1 Here is another series of statements on some different topics. The first one is... **[READ ITEMS, IN ORDER. DO NOT RANDOMIZE.]** Do you completely agree, mostly agree, mostly DISagree, or completely disagree? **[INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: READ ANSWER CHOICES FOR FIRST TWO ITEMS AND THEN REPEAT AS NECESSARY. IT IS NOT NECESSARY TO INTRODUCE EACH ITEM WITH "the next one is." CAN GO STRAIGHT INTO ITEM OR USE SHORTER TRANSITION SUCH AS "how about" OR "next."]**

		-----AGREE-----			-----DISAGREE-----			(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
		Com-			Com-			
		<u>Net</u>	<u>pletely</u>	<u>Mostly</u>	<u>Net</u>	<u>pletely</u>	<u>Mostly</u>	
a.F1	There needs to be stricter laws and regulations to protect the environment							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	74	36	38	25	7	18	
	April, 2009	83	41	42	16	4	12	
	January, 2007	83	35	48	15	3	12	
	August, 2003	86	46	40	13	3	10	
	August, 2002	83	42	41	16	4	12	
	Late September, 1999	83	41	42	16	4	12	
	November, 1997	81	41	40	18	5	13	
	July, 1994	82	46	36	17	4	13	
	June, 1992	90	55	35	9	2	7	
b.F1	People should be willing to pay higher prices in order to protect the environment							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	43	13	31	54	20	33	
	April, 2009	49	15	34	48	15	33	
	January, 2007	60	17	43	37	12	25	
	August, 2003	65	22	43	34	10	24	
	August, 2002	62	18	44	36	12	24	
	Late September, 1999	56	15	41	42	13	29	
	November, 1997	55	17	38	43	14	29	
	July, 1994	57	17	40	42	14	28	
	May, 1993	57	12	45	41	10	31	
	June, 1992	67	26	41	32	10	22	
c.F1	Our society should do what is necessary to make sure that everyone has an equal opportunity to succeed							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	86	51	35	11	4	8	
	Sep 22-25, 2011	89	53	36	10	4	6	
	Mar 31-Apr 21, 2009	87	48	39	11	3	8	
	January, 2007	91	49	42	7	2	5	
	August, 2003	91	53	38	8	2	6	
	August, 2002	89	52	37	9	3	6	
	Late September, 1999	90	50	40	9	2	7	
	November, 1997	90	52	38	9	3	6	
	July, 1994	91	52	39	8	2	6	
	June, 1992	93	59	34	6	2	4	
	Nov, 1991	94	64	30	5	2	3	
	May, 1990	91	45	46	7	1	6	
	Feb, 1989	91	49	42	8	2	6	
	May, 1988	91	48	43	7	1	6	
	May, 1987	90	37	53	8	1	7	

Q.40F1 CONTINUED...

		-----AGREE-----			-----DISAGREE-----			(VOL.)
		Net	Com- pletely	Mostly	Net	Com- pletely	Mostly	DK/Ref
d.F1	We have gone too far in pushing equal rights in this country							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	42	20	22	53	25	28	4
	Sep 22-25, 2011	39	17	22	59	31	28	2
	Mar 31-Apr 21, 2009	41	16	25	56	25	31	3
	January, 2007	45	17	28	51	19	32	4
	August, 2003	43	17	26	54	26	28	3
	August, 2002	49	20	29	48	21	27	3
	Late September, 1999	48	20	28	50	21	29	2
	November, 1997	45	17	28	53	21	32	2
	July, 1994	48	21	27	50	22	28	2
	May, 1993	43	14	29	54	20	34	3
	June, 1992	40	16	24	57	27	30	3
	November, 1991	38	16	22	59	27	32	3
	May, 1990	43	15	28	53	21	32	4
	February, 1989	41	17	24	56	22	34	3
	May, 1988	45	17	28	52	20	32	3
	May, 1987	42	11	31	53	16	37	5
e.F1	It is the responsibility of the government to take care of people who can't take care of themselves							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	59	26	33	36	12	24	5
	Sep 22-25, 2011	56	23	33	41	15	26	3
	Mar 31-Apr 21, 2009	63	24	39	33	11	22	4
	January, 2007	69	27	42	28	8	20	3
	August, 2003	66	25	41	31	11	20	3
	August, 2002	61	22	39	35	11	24	4
	Late September, 1999	62	20	42	35	14	21	3
	November, 1997	61	23	38	37	11	26	2
	July, 1994	57	20	37	41	15	26	2
	May, 1993	62	19	43	35	9	26	3
	June, 1992	69	28	41	28	8	20	3
	May, 1990	67	23	44	29	6	23	4
	May, 1988	74	26	48	23	6	17	3
	May, 1987	71	21	50	24	4	20	5
f.F1	The government should help more needy people even if it means going deeper in debt							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	43	18	25	52	22	29	5
	Sep 22-25, 2011	42	16	27	54	25	29	4
	Mar 31-Apr 21, 2009	48	16	32	46	14	32	6
	January, 2007	54	19	35	40	11	29	6
	August, 2003	54	17	37	42	12	30	4
	August, 2002	48	16	32	47	15	32	5
	Late September, 1999	49	15	34	47	14	33	4
	November, 1997	44	14	30	53	16	37	3
	July, 1994	41	13	28	56	19	37	3
	May, 1993	43	9	34	52	12	40	5
	June, 1992	53	18	35	43	12	31	4
	November, 1991	51	20	31	46	15	31	3
	May, 1990	51	15	36	44	10	34	5
	May, 1988	52	17	35	42	12	30	6
	May, 1987	53	13	40	40	7	33	7

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		Com-			Com-			
		Net	pletely	Mostly	Net	pletely	Mostly	
g.F1	The government should guarantee every citizen enough to eat and a place to sleep							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	59	29	30	39	16	23	2
	Sep 22-25, 2011	56	26	29	42	18	24	2
	Mar 31-Apr 21, 2009	62	28	34	35	12	23	3
	January, 2007	69	31	38	29	8	21	2
	August, 2003	65	30	35	33	10	23	2
	August, 2002	63	28	35	34	11	23	3
	Late September, 1999	64	29	35	33	11	22	3
	November, 1997	62	29	33	36	11	25	2
	July, 1994	59	27	32	39	14	25	2
	June, 1992	65	32	33	32	10	22	3
	November, 1991	73	41	32	25	9	16	2
	May, 1990	62	27	35	34	9	25	4
	February, 1989	65	35	30	32	10	22	3
	May, 1988	66	28	38	31	9	22	3
	May, 1987	62	22	40	33	7	26	5
h.F1	I like political leaders who are willing to make compromises in order to get the job done							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	80	39	41	16	5	11	4
	Sep 22-25, 2011	76	36	40	22	8	14	2
	Mar 31-Apr 21, 2009	79	37	42	17	5	12	4
	January, 2007	79	29	50	16	5	11	5
	August, 2003	77	28	49	19	6	13	4
	August, 2002	78	30	48	18	6	12	4
	Late September, 1999	77	32	45	19	4	15	4
	November, 1997	78	32	46	19	5	14	3
	May, 1990	71	23	48	23	6	17	6
	May, 1988	72	23	49	22	5	17	6
	May, 1987	72	16	56	20	4	16	8
i.F1	I am very patriotic							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	89	52	36	9	3	6	3
	Sep 22-25, 2011	85	54	31	13	4	9	2
	Mar 31-Apr 21, 2009	88	54	34	9	3	6	3
	January, 2007	90	49	41	8	2	6	2
	August, 2003	91	56	35	7	2	5	2
	August, 2002	92	54	38	6	2	4	2
	Late September, 1999	87	49	38	11	3	8	2
	November, 1997	90	48	42	8	2	6	2
	July, 1994	91	51	40	8	2	6	1
	June, 1992	91	52	39	7	2	5	2
	November, 1991	91	58	33	7	2	5	2
	May, 1990	88	48	40	10	2	8	2
	February, 1989	91	51	40	7	1	6	2
	May, 1988	89	51	38	8	2	6	3
	May, 1987	89	43	46	8	1	7	3

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	Net	Com- pletely	Mostly	Net	Com- pletely	Mostly	
BASED ON TOTAL:							
j.F1/ Q.30aaF2							
In the past few years there hasn't been much real improvement in the position of black people in this country							
Apr 4-15, 2012	38	13	25	52	17	35	10
April, 2009	31	11	20	61	21	40	8
January, 2007	41	13	28	49	13	36	10
August, 2003	35	11	24	57	18	39	8
August, 2002	33	10	23	61	20	41	6
Late September, 1999	38	10	28	53	16	37	9
November, 1997	40	13	27	53	14	39	7
July, 1994	47	14	33	49	14	35	4
May, 1993	51	14	37	46	9	37	3
June, 1992	57	21	36	39	9	30	4
November, 1991	45	17	28	49	16	33	6
May, 1990	38	10	28	58	16	42	4
February, 1989	42	13	29	55	16	39	3
May, 1988	37	12	25	59	18	41	4
May, 1987	36	8	28	59	14	45	5

ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=1462]:

k.F1 I think it's all right for blacks and whites to date each other							
Apr 4-15, 2012	86	62	24	10	5	6	4
April, 2009	83	56	27	13	7	6	4
January, 2007	83	51	32	13	7	6	4
August, 2003	77	47	30	20	10	10	3
August, 2002	75	43	32	21	10	11	4
Late September, 1999	73	43	30	23	11	12	4
November, 1997	70	37	33	26	13	13	4
July, 1994	68	35	33	29	16	13	3
June, 1992	64	33	31	32	18	14	4
November, 1991	66	35	31	30	18	12	4
May, 1990	49	19	30	44	26	18	7
February, 1989	50	21	29	45	25	20	5
May, 1988	49	21	28	46	28	18	5
May, 1987	48	13	35	46	24	22	6

l.F1 We should make every possible effort to improve the position of blacks and other minorities, even if it means giving them preferential treatment							
Apr 4-15, 2012	33	11	22	62	32	30	5
April, 2009	31	10	21	65	33	32	4
January, 2007	34	11	23	62	29	33	4
August, 2003	30	10	20	67	33	34	3
August, 2002	24	7	17	72	35	37	4
Late September, 1999	31	12	19	65	31	34	4
November, 1997	31	10	21	65	31	34	4
July, 1994	29	10	19	69	34	35	2
May, 1993	34	8	26	63	22	41	3
June, 1992	34	11	23	63	27	36	3
Nov, 1991	30	10	20	67	34	33	3
May, 1990	24	8	16	72	33	39	4
Feb, 1989	28	8	20	68	32	36	4
May, 1988	26	7	19	71	35	36	3
May, 1987	24	6	18	71	28	43	5

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	Net	Com- pletely	Mostly	Net	Com- pletely	Mostly	
June, 1992	54	21	33	43	13	30	3
November, 1991	52	21	31	45	16	29	3
May, 1990	52	17	35	44	13	31	4
February, 1989	61	22	39	36	10	26	3
May, 1988	59	22	37	37	12	25	4
May, 1987	54	14	40	40	10	30	6

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r.F1		Net	Com- pletely	Mostly	Net	Com- pletely	Mostly	(VOL.) DK/Ref
	We all should be willing to fight for our country, whether it is right or wrong							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	51	27	24	43	17	25	6
	April, 2009	53	24	29	41	16	25	6
	January, 2007	50	20	30	45	19	26	5
	August, 2003	52	23	29	43	18	25	5
	August, 2002	52	22	30	43	16	27	5
	Late September, 1999	49	21	28	46	18	28	5
	November, 1997	52	21	31	45	19	26	3
	July, 1994	53	25	28	45	20	25	2
	May, 1993	55	21	34	42	13	29	3
	June, 1992	57	24	33	39	14	25	4
	November, 1991	60	30	30	37	16	21	3
	May, 1990	55	22	33	40	16	24	5
	February, 1989	57	22	35	38	15	23	5
	May, 1988	57	23	34	38	14	24	5
	May, 1987	54	17	37	40	13	27	6

ASK ITEM s OF FORM 1B [N=758]:

s.F1B		Net	Com- pletely	Mostly	Net	Com- pletely	Mostly	(VOL.) DK/Ref
	I often worry about the chances of a nuclear attack by terrorists							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	46	22	24	53	16	37	1
	April, 2009	49	23	26	48	17	31	3
	August, 2003	40	16	24	59	23	36	1
t.F1	Most of the countries that have gotten help from America end up resenting us							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	64	28	36	29	5	24	7
	April, 2009	67	28	39	27	5	22	6
	January, 2007	66	26	40	27	5	22	7
	August, 2003	67	27	40	27	5	22	6
	August, 2002	70	29	41	24	3	21	6
	Late September, 1999	64	24	40	27	4	23	9
	November, 1997	67	24	43	26	3	23	7
	July, 1994	72	29	43	24	3	21	4
	June, 1992	73	30	43	22	3	19	5
	May, 1990	73	27	46	20	2	18	7
	May, 1988	76	32	44	18	2	16	6
	May, 1987	71	21	50	21	2	19	8
u.F1	It's best for the future of our country to be active in world affairs							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	83	42	41	14	4	9	3
	April, 2009	90	51	39	7	2	5	3
	January, 2007	86	42	44	10	3	7	4
	August, 2003	90	50	40	8	2	6	2
	August, 2002	90	49	41	8	3	5	2
	Late September, 1999	88	45	43	10	2	8	2
	November, 1997	91	48	43	8	2	6	1

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	Net	Com- pletely	Mostly	Net	Com- pletely	Mostly	
July, 1994	90	51	39	9	2	7	1
May, 1993	87	33	54	10	1	9	3
June, 1992	91	47	44	7	2	5	2
November, 1991	92	54	38	6	2	4	2
May, 1990	89	39	50	7	1	6	4
February, 1989	93	51	42	4	1	3	3
May, 1988	90	47	43	7	1	6	3
May, 1987	87	32	55	8	1	7	5
v.F1 Poor people have become too dependent on government assistance programs							
Apr 4-15, 2012	71	37	35	24	7	16	5
April, 2009	72	33	39	22	6	16	6
January, 2007	69	29	40	26	6	20	5
August, 2003	71	30	41	24	6	18	5
August, 2002	74	30	44	22	5	17	4
Late September, 1999	77	34	43	19	5	14	4
November, 1997	79	35	44	18	4	14	3
July, 1994	85	46	39	13	3	10	2
May, 1993	80	31	49	18	3	15	2
June, 1992	79	35	44	18	4	14	3
NO ITEM w							
x.F1 We should pay less attention to problems overseas and concentrate on problems here at home							
Apr 4-15, 2012	83	45	38	14	3	11	3
April, 2009	78	37	41	19	4	15	3
January, 2007	77	38	39	20	4	16	3
August, 2003	76	36	40	21	3	18	3
August, 2002	73	33	40	24	4	20	3
Late September, 1999	80	39	41	19	4	15	1
November, 1997	78	40	38	20	3	17	2
July, 1994	84	46	38	15	3	12	1
May, 1993	85	40	45	14	2	12	1
June, 1992	88	48	40	11	2	9	1
NO ITEM y							
z.F1 The growing number of newcomers from other countries threaten traditional American customs and values							
Apr 4-15, 2012	46	22	25	48	19	29	6
April, 2009	51	21	30	43	14	29	6
January, 2007	48	18	30	46	16	30	6
August, 2003	46	18	28	49	19	30	5
August, 2002	50	20	30	45	13	32	5
aa.F1 Women get fewer opportunities than men for good jobs							
Apr 4-15, 2012	51	17	33	46	12	34	4
April, 2009	53	19	34	44	11	33	3
August, 2003	59	21	38	39	10	29	2
August, 2002	59	20	39	37	9	28	4

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		Com-			Com-			
		Net	pletely	Mostly	Net	pletely	Mostly	DK/Ref
ee.F1	I am concerned that the government is collecting too much information about people like me							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	64	32	32	32	7	25	4
	January, 2007	58	27	31	38	11	27	4
	August, 2003	57	27	30	39	10	29	4
ff.F1	I am concerned that business corporations are collecting too much information about people like me							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	74	40	34	23	6	17	3
	January, 2007	74	36	38	23	5	18	3
	August, 2002	77	39	38	20	4	16	3

ASK FORM 2A/2B ONLY [N=1546]:

Q.41F2 Here is another series of statements on some different topics. The first one is... **[READ ITEMS, IN ORDER. DO NOT RANDOMIZE.]** Do you completely agree, mostly agree, mostly DISagree, or completely disagree? **[INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: READ ANSWER CHOICES FOR FIRST TWO ITEMS AND THEN REPEAT AS NECESSARY. IT IS NOT NECESSARY TO INTRODUCE EACH ITEM WITH "the next one is." CAN GO STRAIGHT INTO ITEM OR USE SHORTER TRANSITION SUCH AS "how about" OR "next."]**

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		Com-			Com-			
		Net	pletely	Mostly	Net	pletely	Mostly	DK/Ref
a.F2	Prayer is an important part of my daily life							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	76	48	28	23	12	11	1
	April, 2009	78	50	28	20	9	11	2
	January, 2007	78	45	33	21	8	13	1
	August, 2003	81	51	30	18	8	10	1
	August, 2002	79	52	27	21	8	13	*
	Late September, 1999	78	55	23	21	6	15	1
	November, 1997	78	53	25	21	7	14	1
	July, 1994	78	52	26	22	8	14	*
	November, 1991	80	50	30	19	6	13	1
	May, 1990	77	46	31	22	6	16	1
	May, 1988	78	46	32	21	6	15	1
	May, 1987	76	41	35	23	6	17	1
b.F2	We all will be called before God at the Judgment Day to answer for our sins							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	76	56	20	21	12	8	4
	April, 2009	78	57	21	18	10	8	4
	January, 2007	79	54	25	17	8	9	4
	August, 2003	80	59	21	17	10	7	3
	August, 2002	82	61	21	15	7	8	3
	Late September, 1999	83	61	22	13	6	7	4
	November, 1997	85	64	21	12	5	7	3
	July, 1994	84	61	23	14	7	7	2
	May, 1993	82	56	26	11	5	6	7
	June, 1992	83	62	21	14	7	7	3
	May, 1990	81	52	29	14	5	9	5
	February, 1989	84	62	22	11	5	6	5
	May, 1988	80	52	28	14	6	8	6
	May, 1987	81	52	29	14	5	9	5

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	Net	Com- pletely	Mostly	Net	Com- pletely	Mostly	
d.F2	I never doubt the existence of God						
	80	63	17	18	10	8	2
	83	64	19	14	7	7	3
	83	61	22	14	7	7	3
	87	69	18	12	6	6	1
	88	70	18	11	5	6	1
	88	69	19	10	4	6	2
	88	71	17	11	3	8	1
	88	72	16	11	5	6	1
	88	71	17	11	3	8	1
	87	60	27	11	3	8	2
	88	66	22	10	4	6	2
	87	63	24	11	4	7	2
	88	60	28	10	3	7	2
e.F2	School boards ought to have the right to fire teachers who are known homosexuals						
	21	13	8	75	54	21	4
	28	17	11	67	41	26	5
	28	18	10	66	39	27	6
	33	21	12	62	37	25	5
	36	23	13	59	33	26	5
	32	20	12	62	36	26	6
	33	20	13	63	34	29	4
	39	24	15	58	29	29	3
	34	17	17	60	26	34	6
	40	24	16	55	28	27	5
	39	23	16	56	28	28	5
	49	29	20	45	21	24	6
	48	28	20	47	21	26	5
	51	29	22	43	18	25	6
	51	27	24	42	14	28	7
f.F2	Books that contain dangerous ideas should be banned from public school libraries						
	40	24	15	55	35	20	5
	46	28	18	49	27	22	5
	46	30	16	50	27	23	4
	50	32	18	47	26	21	3
	53	33	20	44	24	20	3
	55	36	19	43	23	20	2
	50	32	18	46	23	23	4
	51	30	21	47	24	23	2
	52	26	26	44	21	23	4
	48	30	18	49	27	22	3
	49	29	20	48	28	20	3
	50	29	21	45	21	24	5
	50	26	24	46	23	23	4
	51	29	22	44	22	22	5
	50	24	26	44	19	25	6
g.F2	The government needs to do more to make health care affordable and accessible						
	82	62	20	16	7	9	2
	86	59	27	12	4	8	2

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		Net	Com- pletely	Mostly	Net	Com- pletely	Mostly	
h.F2	Freedom of speech should not extend to groups that are sympathetic to terrorists							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	49	28	21	47	22	25	4
	April, 2009	49	29	20	45	21	24	6
	January, 2007	45	23	22	50	20	30	5
	August, 2003	45	24	21	50	21	29	5
TRENDS FOR COMPARISON:								
<i>Freedom of speech should not extend to groups like: Neo-Nazis or other extremists</i>								
	August, 2002	43	21	22	52	24	28	5
	<i>The Communist Party or the Ku Klux Klan</i>							
	Late September, 1999	39	21	18	57	29	28	4
	November, 1997	38	21	17	57	26	31	5
	July, 1994	41	21	20	57	28	29	2
	May, 1990	35	17	18	59	27	32	6
	May, 1988	37	17	20	58	26	32	5
	May, 1987	39	16	23	55	19	36	6
i.F2	The police should be allowed to search the houses of people who might be sympathetic to terrorists without a court order							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	35	20	15	64	37	27	1
	April, 2009	33	19	14	64	37	27	3
	January, 2007	37	17	20	61	34	27	2
	August, 2003	33	17	16	65	36	29	2
TREND FOR COMPARISON:								
<i>The police should be allowed to search the houses of known drug dealers without a court order</i>								
	August, 2002	44	27	17	54	30	24	2
	Late September, 1999	45	28	17	53	31	22	2
	November, 1997	49	31	18	49	26	23	2
	July, 1994	51	33	18	48	26	22	1
	May, 1990	57	33	24	41	18	23	2
	May, 1988	54	31	23	43	22	21	2
	May, 1987	51	25	26	45	18	27	4
j.F2	Women should return to their traditional roles in society							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	18	10	8	79	58	21	3
	April, 2009	19	8	11	75	54	21	6
	January, 2007	20	8	12	75	51	24	5
	August, 2003	24	10	14	72	50	22	4
	August, 2002	20	8	12	75	48	27	5
	Late September, 1999	25	9	16	71	48	23	4
	November, 1997	24	10	14	73	43	30	3
	July, 1994	30	12	18	67	40	27	3
	November, 1991	23	10	13	75	49	26	2
	May, 1990	30	10	20	67	35	32	3
	February, 1989	26	10	16	71	41	30	3
	May, 1988	31	11	20	66	36	30	3
	May, 1987	30	9	21	66	29	37	4

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		Net	Com- pletely	Mostly	Net	Com- pletely	Mostly	
m.F2	I have old-fashioned values about family and marriage							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	71	41	31	26	14	11	3
	April, 2009	71	40	31	25	13	12	4
	January, 2007	76	41	35	21	9	12	3
	August, 2003	80	46	34	18	7	11	2
	August, 2002	84	49	35	14	5	9	2
	Late September, 1999	84	53	31	14	5	9	2
	November, 1997	85	50	35	14	6	8	1
	July, 1994	84	53	31	14	4	10	2
	November, 1991	81	49	32	18	8	10	1
	May, 1990	87	49	38	12	4	8	1
	February, 1989	83	46	37	15	6	9	2
	May, 1988	85	50	35	13	4	9	2
	May, 1987	87	45	42	11	2	9	2
n.F2	There are clear guidelines about what's good or evil that apply to everyone regardless of their situation							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	76	41	35	21	9	12	3
	April, 2009	75	44	31	21	9	12	4
	January, 2007	79	39	40	18	7	11	3
	August, 2003	77	41	36	19	7	12	4
	August, 2002	80	43	37	17	6	11	3
	Late September, 1999	82	47	35	16	5	11	2
	November, 1997	82	45	37	16	6	10	2
	July, 1994	80	44	36	18	6	12	2
	June, 1992	76	41	35	21	9	12	3
	November, 1991	76	42	34	22	9	13	2
	May, 1990	79	36	43	17	6	11	4
	May, 1988	79	38	41	18	6	12	4
	May, 1987	79	34	45	16	4	12	5
o.F2	Labor unions are necessary to protect the working person							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	64	31	32	33	12	20	4
	April, 2009	61	26	35	34	13	21	5
	January, 2007	68	27	41	28	9	19	4
	August, 2003	74	30	44	23	8	15	3
	August, 2002	71	28	43	26	7	19	3
	Late September, 1999	70	28	42	25	7	18	5
	November, 1997	70	29	41	27	8	19	3
	May, 1990	71	25	46	25	6	19	4
	May, 1988	69	26	43	26	7	19	5
	May, 1987	67	19	48	27	6	21	6
p.F2	Labor unions have too much power							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	57	27	30	37	14	23	6
	April, 2009	61	27	34	33	10	23	6
	October, 1999	52	18	34	40	10	30	8
	November, 1997	54	20	34	40	11	29	6
	May, 1990	55	18	37	38	10	28	7
	May, 1988	58	20	38	34	8	26	8
	May, 1987	59	19	40	33	7	26	8
q.F2	Today it's really true that the rich just get richer while the poor get poorer							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	76	40	35	23	8	15	2

Q.41F2 CONTINUED...

	-----AGREE-----			-----DISAGREE-----			(VOL.) DK/Ref
	Net	Com- pletely	Mostly	Net	Com- pletely	Mostly	
April, 2009	71	36	35	26	8	18	3
January, 2007	73	37	36	25	7	18	2
August, 2003	68	34	34	29	7	22	3
August, 2002	65	28	37	33	7	26	2
February, 2002	68	37	31	29	9	20	3
Late September, 1999	72	33	39	26	6	20	2
November, 1997	70	34	36	28	6	22	2
July, 1994	71	33	38	27	7	20	2
June, 1992	78	38	40	20	4	16	2
November, 1991	80	45	35	18	5	13	2
May, 1990	78	38	40	19	3	16	3
February, 1989	78	40	38	19	4	15	3
May, 1988	76	34	42	21	3	18	3
May, 1987	74	31	43	22	3	19	4

NO ITEMS r or s

t.F2 I often don't have enough money to make ends meet

Apr 4-15, 2012	48	27	21	51	21	31	1
April, 2009	42	20	22	55	19	36	3
January, 2007	44	20	24	54	19	35	2
August, 2003	39	19	20	59	19	40	2
August, 2002	35	15	20	64	23	41	1
Late September, 1999	36	16	20	62	22	40	2
November, 1997	40	18	22	59	19	40	1
July, 1994	43	19	24	56	19	37	1
May, 1993	54	25	29	44	14	30	2
June, 1992	52	26	26	47	16	31	1
November, 1991	51	27	24	48	16	32	1
May, 1990	47	19	28	52	11	41	1
February, 1989	50	20	30	49	12	37	1
May, 1988	45	17	28	54	12	42	1
May, 1987	43	14	29	55	11	44	2

NO ITEM u

v.F2 I'm pretty well satisfied with the way things are going for me financially

Apr 4-15, 2012	53	15	38	46	22	24	1
April, 2009	53	14	39	45	21	24	2
January, 2007	61	16	45	38	17	21	1
August, 2003	63	19	44	35	15	20	2
August, 2002	66	20	46	33	13	20	1
Late September, 1999	68	16	52	31	9	22	1
November, 1997	65	18	47	35	12	23	*
July, 1994	64	17	47	35	11	24	1
May, 1993	58	12	46	41	13	28	1
June, 1992	58	16	42	41	16	25	1
November, 1991	57	16	41	42	16	26	1
May, 1990	58	9	49	41	13	28	1
February, 1989	62	13	49	37	12	25	1
May, 1988	65	13	52	34	9	25	1
May, 1987	63	11	52	35	8	27	2

w.F2 I feel it's my duty as a citizen to always vote

Apr 4-15, 2012	90	68	22	9	5	4	1
April, 2009	90	69	21	8	3	5	2

Q.41F2 CONTINUED...

		-----AGREE-----			-----DISAGREE-----			(VOL.)
		Com-			Com-			
		Net	pletely	Mostly	Net	pletely	Mostly	DK/Ref
	January, 2007	90	64	26	8	3	5	2
	August, 2003	89	61	28	9	4	5	2
	August, 2002	90	62	28	9	3	6	1
	Late September, 1999	91	64	27	8	3	5	1
	November, 1997	89	63	26	11	4	7	*
	July, 1994	93	66	27	7	3	4	*
	May, 1993	94	66	28	5	1	4	1
	June, 1992	91	69	22	8	2	6	1
	November, 1991	93	72	21	6	2	4	1
	May, 1990	85	50	35	13	4	9	2
	February, 1989	90	64	26	8	2	6	2
	May, 1988	88	56	32	9	2	7	3
	May, 1987	85	46	39	12	3	9	3
x.F2	I'm interested in keeping up with national affairs							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	86	52	34	13	3	10	1
	April, 2009	88	50	38	10	3	7	2
	January, 2007	89	47	42	10	3	7	1
	August, 2003	91	47	44	8	2	6	1
	August, 2002	88	43	45	10	2	8	2
	Late September, 1999	82	37	45	16	4	12	2
	November, 1997	86	40	46	13	3	10	1
	July, 1994	89	46	43	11	2	9	*
	June, 1992	91	51	40	8	2	6	1
	November, 1991	90	46	44	9	2	7	1
	May, 1990	82	33	49	16	4	12	2
	February, 1989	84	34	50	14	2	12	2
	May, 1988	86	39	47	12	2	10	2
	May, 1987	81	28	53	15	3	12	4
NO ITEM y								
z.F2	I'm pretty interested in following local politics							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	78	34	44	21	6	16	1
	April, 2009	78	33	45	20	6	14	2
	January, 2007	82	34	48	16	4	12	2
	August, 2003	73	22	51	26	6	20	1
	August, 2002	72	22	50	26	4	22	2
	Late September, 1999	66	18	48	32	6	26	2
	November, 1997	68	20	48	31	6	25	1
	July, 1994	76	24	52	23	5	18	1
	June, 1992	73	26	47	26	5	21	1
	November, 1991	77	29	48	21	5	16	2
	May, 1990	70	17	53	29	6	23	1
	February, 1989	73	24	49	26	5	21	1
	May, 1988	72	21	51	27	5	22	1
	May, 1987	70	16	54	26	4	22	4
aa.F2	Most issues discussed in Washington don't affect me personally							
	Apr 4-15, 2012	26	7	19	73	33	40	1
	April, 2009	25	7	18	72	31	41	3
	January, 2007	27	5	22	71	31	40	2
	August, 2003	28	6	22	70	25	45	2
	August, 2002	31	6	25	66	21	45	3
	Late September, 1999	38	8	30	60	18	42	2

Q.41F2 CONTINUED...

	-----AGREE-----			-----DISAGREE-----			(VOL.) DK/Ref
	Net	Com-pletely	Mostly	Net	Com-pletely	Mostly	
November, 1997	35	8	27	64	19	45	1
July, 1994	30	5	25	69	27	42	1
June, 1992	33	7	26	65	22	43	2
November, 1991	33	8	25	64	23	41	3
May, 1990	35	7	28	62	16	46	3
February, 1989	33	7	26	64	20	44	3
May, 1988	36	7	29	62	17	45	2
May, 1987	31	5	26	65	15	50	4
bb.F2 I feel guilty when I don't get a chance to vote							
Apr 4-15, 2012	67	39	28	28	14	14	5
April, 2009	65	39	26	27	12	15	8
January, 2007	64	34	30	28	12	16	8
August, 2003	64	33	31	31	13	18	5
August, 2002	64	33	31	31	11	20	5
Late September, 1999	68	36	32	29	9	20	3
November, 1997	68	36	32	29	12	17	3
July, 1994	70	38	32	27	9	18	3
June, 1992	69	39	30	25	9	16	6
November, 1991	74	46	28	22	8	14	4
May, 1990	67	30	37	30	8	22	3
February, 1989	72	38	34	24	7	17	4
May, 1988	69	32	37	26	8	18	5
May, 1987	66	25	41	28	6	22	6

NO ITEM cc-ff

gg.F2 A free market economy needs government regulation in order to best serve the public interest							
Apr 4-15, 2012	63	26	37	31	11	20	6
April, 2009	62	21	41	29	9	20	9
hh.F2 I am concerned about the government becoming too involved in health care							
Apr 4-15, 2012	59	34	26	39	15	24	2
April, 2009	46	21	25	50	18	32	4
ii.F2 One parent can bring up a child as well as two parents together							
Apr 4-15, 2012	51	27	24	47	21	27	2
jj.F2 A preschool child is likely to suffer if his or her mother works							
Apr 4-15, 2012	35	12	24	61	26	35	3

TREND FOR COMPARISON:

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	(VOL.) DK/Ref
A pre-school child is likely to suffer if his or her mother works					
<i>General Social Survey</i>					
2010	6	29	50	14	1
2008	7	27	52	12	2
2006	9	32	48	10	1
2004	6	36	45	11	2
2002	10	36	43	11	1
2000	9	37	41	10	3

Q.41F2 TREND FOR COMPARISON CONTINUED...

	<u>Strongly agree</u>	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>Strongly disagree</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
1998	8	33	46	10	3
1996	8	36	42	11	3
1994	7	34	46	11	2
1993	7	35	46	10	3
1991	9	38	41	10	2
1990	8	40	41	8	3
1989	9	38	41	9	3
1988	11	37	40	11	2
1986	11	40	39	9	2
1985	13	40	36	10	2

	<u>Strongly agree</u>	<u>Somewhat agree</u>	<u>Somewhat disagree</u>	<u>Strongly disagree</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
<i>Washington Post</i> April, 1991	25	30	26	17	2

NO QUESTIONS 42-44**ASK FORM B ONLY [N=1514]:**

Q.45FB Generally speaking, would you say that most people can be trusted or that you can't be too careful in dealing with people?

	<u>Most people can be trusted</u>	<u>Can't be too careful in dealing w/ people</u>	(VOL.) <u>Other/Depends</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
Apr 4-15, 2012	37	59	2	2
Jan 4-8, 2012	40	56	2	2
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	35	61	3	2
Mar 11-21, 2010 ¹⁸	36	60	2	1
Jan 14-17, 2010 <i>Social & Demographic Trends</i>	31	64	4	1
Oct, 2006	41	54	3	2
Jun, 2003	35	58	4	3
Mid-Nov, 2001	42	55	2	1
Nov, 1998	36	57	6	1
Jun, 1997	42	54	3	1
Feb, 1997	45	52	2	1

ASK FORM B ONLY [N=1514]:

Q.46FB In your opinion, which is generally more often to blame if a person is poor? Lack of effort on his or her own part, or circumstances beyond his or her control?

	<u>Lack of effort</u>	<u>Circumstances beyond control</u>	(VOL.) <u>Both</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
Apr 4-15, 2012	38	46	11	5
Mar 11-21, 2010	32	49	14	5
October, 1997	39	44	14	3
<i>CBS/NYT</i> : 1995	35	42	18	4
<i>CBS/NYT</i> : 1994	44	34	18	4
<i>LAT</i> : 1992	27	52	18	3
<i>NYT</i> : December, 1990	30	48	20	2
<i>Gallup</i> : May, 1990	35	45	17	3
<i>Gallup</i> : 1989	38	42	17	3
<i>Gallup</i> : 1988	40	37	17	6
<i>Gallup</i> : 1984	33	34	31	2

¹⁸ In March 2010, question began, "Thinking about people more generally..."

Q.46FB CONTINUED...

	<u>Lack of effort</u>	<u>Circumstances beyond control</u>	(VOL.) <u>Both</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
<i>CBS/NYT</i> : 1982	37	39	17	7
<i>Gallup</i> : 1967	42	19	36	3
<i>Gallup</i> : 1965	40	29	28	3
<i>Gallup</i> : November, 1964	31	31	34	5
<i>Gallup</i> : September, 1964	34	25	38	3
<i>Gallup</i> : March, 1964	34	29	32	6

NO QUESTIONS 47-53**ASK FORM A ONLY [N=1494]:**

Q.54FA How would you feel if you heard that someone **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]**? Would you be very upset, just annoyed, would you approve, or wouldn't you care? ... And how would you feel if you heard that someone **[INSERT ITEM]**? ...

	<u>Very upset</u>	<u>Just annoyed</u>	<u>Would approve</u>	<u>Wouldn't care</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
a. Claimed government benefits they were not entitled to					
Apr 4-15, 2012	70	23	*	6	1
March, 2004	59	34	1	5	1
October, 1997	64	29	1	5	1
b. Had not paid all the income taxes they owed					
Apr 4-15, 2012	45	35	1	17	3
March, 2004	40	40	1	17	2
October, 1997	31	45	2	20	2
c. Decided to stop paying their mortgage because their house is worth less than they owe					
Apr 4-15, 2012	31	31	7	26	5
d. Does not attend their child's parent-teacher conferences at school					
Apr 4-15, 2012	30	44	2	20	4
e. Uses food assistance from the government to buy candy and soda					
Apr 4-15, 2012	39	33	5	22	2

ASK ALL:

EMPLOY Are you now employed full-time, part-time or not employed? [INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: IF RESPONDENT VOLUNTEERS "retired, student, etc." PROBE "just to be clear ..." AND REPEAT QUESTION.]

ASK IF NOT EMPLOYED (EMPLOY=3):

EMPLOY1 Are you currently looking for work, or not?

ASK IF EMPLOYED PART-TIME (EMPLOY=2):

EMPLOY7 Would you prefer to be working full time, or not?

BASED ON TOTAL

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46 Full-time
 13 Part-time
 6 Yes, would prefer full time
 7 No, would not
 * Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
 40 Not employed
 11 Yes, looking for work
 30 No, not looking
 * Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
 1 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

ASK IF FORM B AND EMPLOYED FULL OR PART TIME (EMPLOY=1,2) [N=827]:

Q.55FB Do you now earn enough money to lead the kind of life you want, or not?

ASK IF Q.55FB=2:

Q.56FB Do you think you will be able to earn enough money in the future to lead the kind of life you want, or not?

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No (NET)</u>	<u>Yes, will in future</u>	<u>No, will not in future</u>	<u>(VOL.) DK/Ref</u>	<u>(VOL.) DK/Ref</u>
Apr 4-15, 2012	48	51	31	17	3	1
Dec, 2011 SDT	46	53	35	16	2	1
Jan, 2010 SDT	45	55	37	16	2	1
September, 2007	46	53	31	19	3	1
November, 2006 SDT	46	53	32	18	3	1
September, 2006	49	50	33	15	2	1
January, 2006	46	53	28	23	2	1
May, 2005	40	59	35	22	2	1
May, 2004	51	48	25	19	4	1
Late February, 2004	53	46	26	19	1	1
June, 2002	43	56	30	23	3	1
January, 2001	43	56	33	21	2	1
Late September, 1999	42	58	33	23	2	*
August, 1999	39	60	38	19	3	1
Early September, 1998	43	57	36	20	1	*
November 1997	41	59	33	24	2	*
May, 1997	46	54	34	18	2	*
June, 1996	44	56	34	20	2	*
February, 1995	41	58	35	20	3	1
July, 1994	40	60	34	24	2	*
March, 1994	44	56	33	20	3	*
U.S.News: October, 1992	36	63	35	36	5	1
U.S.News: August, 1992	33	66	36	25	5	1
U.S.News: May, 1992	34	65	34	28	3	1
U.S.News: January, 1992	39	61	34	22	5	*

ASK IF FORM B AND NOT EMPLOYED OR DK/REF (EMPLOY=3,9) [N=687]:

Q.57FB Do you now have enough income to lead the kind of life you want, or not?

ASK IF Q.57FB=2:

Q.58FB Do you think you will have enough income in the future to lead the kind of life you want, or not?

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u> <u>(NET)</u>	<u>Yes, will in</u> <u>future</u>	<u>No, will not</u> <u>in future</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
Apr 4-15, 2012	44	55	25	26	3	1
Dec, 2011 <i>SDT</i>	41	56	24	28	4	2
Jan, 2010 <i>SDT</i>	42	57	31	22	4	1
September, 2007	47	50	22	25	3	3
November, 2006 <i>SDT</i>	48	49	20	23	6	3
September, 2006	53	44	22	18	4	2
January, 2006	45	52	19	29	4	3
May, 2004	50	47	18	25	4	3
Late February, 2004	48	50	21	23	6	2

ASK ALL:

Q.59 If you were asked to use one of these commonly used names for the social classes, which would you say you belong in? The upper class, upper-middle class, middle class, lower-middle class, or lower class?

		<i>SDT</i> Dec 7-11 <u>2011</u>	<i>SDT</i> Mar 15-29 <u>2011</u>	<i>SDT</i> May <u>2010</u>	<i>SDT</i> Feb <u>2008</u>
Apr 4-15 <u>2012</u>					
1	Upper class	1	2	2	2
11	Upper-middle class	15	17	18	19
47	Middle class	46	52	50	53
27	Lower-middle class	25	20	21	19
11	Lower class	11	7	8	6
2	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	2	2	1	1