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2010 RELIGION & PUBLIC LIFE SURVEY  
FINAL TOPLINE  
July 21-August 5, 2010  
N=3,003**

**QUESTIONS 1 AND 2 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED  
NO QUESTIONS 3-6  
QUESTION 7 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.8 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; RANDOMIZE]** 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?] [INTERVIEWER: PLEASE RE-READ RESPONSE OPTIONS AS NECESSARY TO REMIND RESPONDENTS OF OPTIONS]**

**BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=2431]:**

		<u>Very Important</u>	<u>Somewhat Important</u>	<u>Not too Important</u>	<u>Not at all Important</u>	<u>Don't Know/ Refused</u>
<b>ASK ALL:</b>						
a.	The economy					
	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	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	*

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=1207]:**

b.F1	Gay marriage					
	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	29	20	16	32	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

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=1224]:**

b.F2	Same sex marriage					
	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	32	20	17	30	2

**b.F1/b.F2**

**BASED ON ALL REGISTERED VOTERS:**

	Gay marriage/ Same sex marriage					
	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	31	20	17	31	2

**ASK ALL:**

c.	Abortion					
	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
	Mid-October, 2004	47	27	12	11	3
	August, 2004	45	25	13	14	3

**Q.8 CONTINUED...**

	<u>Very Important</u>	<u>Somewhat Important</u>	<u>Not too Important</u>	<u>Not at all Important</u>	<u>Don't Know/ Refused</u>
Mid-October, 2004	32	22	19	24	3
August, 2004	34	19	15	30	2

**ASK ALL:**

d. The environment					
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 ALL:**

e. Immigration					
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

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=1207]:**

f.F1 Afghanistan					
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	59	28	6	4	3

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=1207]:**

g.F1 Jobs					
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	*

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=1207]:**

h.F1 Energy					
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

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=1207]:**

i.F1 The banking and financial system					
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	65	27	4	2	1

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=1224]:**

j.F2 Terrorism					
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

**Q.8 CONTINUED...**

	Very <u>Important</u>	Somewhat <u>Important</u>	Not too <u>Important</u>	Not at all <u>Important</u>	Don't Know/ <u>Refused</u>
August, 2004	75	19	3	2	1
<b>ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=1224]:</b>					
k.F2 Health care					
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	*
<b>ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=1224]:</b>					
l.F2 Taxes					
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
<b>ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=1224]:</b>					
m.F2 The federal budget deficit					
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	*

**QUESTIONS 9 AND 10 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED**

**ASK "INFLUENCE" FOLLOW-UP AS INDICATED IN Q.14 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING EACH SUBSTANTIVE RESPONSE IN Q.11-Q.13**

**RANDOMIZE Q.11-Q.13, MAINTAINING Q.12A-E AS A BLOCK****ASK ALL:**

Q.11 What should be the priority for dealing with ILLEGAL immigration in the U.S.? **[RANDOMIZE; (one) better border security and stronger enforcement of our immigration laws; OR (two) creating a way for illegal immigrants already here to become citizens if they meet certain requirements] OR should BOTH be given equal priority?**

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2010

33	Better border security and stronger enforcement of our immigration laws
22	Creating a way for illegal immigrants already here to become citizens if they meet certain requirements
42	Should BOTH be given equal priority
1	None of these <b>(VOL. DO NOT READ)</b>
3	Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL. DO NOT READ)</b>

**RANDOMIZE Q.11-Q.13, MAINTAINING Q.12A-E AS A BLOCK****ASK ALL:**

Q.12 Now, I'd like to get your views on some issues. All in all, do you strongly favor, favor, oppose, or strongly oppose **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]**? Do you strongly favor, favor, oppose, or strongly oppose **[INSERT NEXT ITEM]**?

	-----FAVOR-----			-----OPPOSE-----			<b>(VOL.)</b> DK/Ref
	Total	Strongly Favor	Favor	Total	Strongly Oppose	Oppose	
<b>a. The death penalty for persons convicted of murder</b>							
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	62	30	32	30	10	20	8
August, 2007	62	29	33	32	11	21	6
Early January, 2007	64	30	34	29	11	18	7
March, 2006	65	27	38	27	8	19	8
July, 2005	68	32	36	24	8	16	8
Mid-July, 2003	64	28	36	30	10	20	6
March, 2002	67	33	34	26	9	17	7
March, 2001	66	30	36	27	10	17	7
September, 1999	74	41	33	22	7	15	4
June, 1996	78	43	35	18	7	11	4
<b>b. Allowing gays and lesbians to marry legally</b>							
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 <sup>1</sup>	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
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
<b>c. Providing more generous government assistance to the poor</b>							
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	63	26	37	31	10	21	6
July, 2005	69	29	40	25	6	19	6
December, 2003	71	30	41	24	6	18	5
March, 2002	68	24	44	27	5	22	5
March, 2001	73	28	45	23	6	17	4

1 In May and June 2008, November 2007, June and July 2006, mid-March through August 2004, and October 2003, the question was not part of a list of items. In May and June 2008 the question asked about "allowing gay and lesbian couples to marry legally."

**Q.12 CONTINUED...**

	-----FAVOR-----			-----OPPOSE-----			<b>(VOL.)</b> DK/Ref
	Total	Strongly Favor	Favor	Total	Strongly Oppose	Oppose	
d. Tougher laws and regulations to protect the environment Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	81	38	43	14	6	9	5
e. Allowing gays and lesbians to serve openly in the military Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	60	21	39	30	13	17	10
Feb 3-9, 2010 <sup>2</sup>	61	18	43	27	10	17	12
Mar 9-12, 2009	59	19	40	32	13	19	9
March, 2006	60	20	40	32	13	19	8
July, 2005	58	15	43	32	15	17	10
July, 1994	52	16	36	45	26	19	3

**RANDOMIZE Q.11-Q.13, MAINTAINING Q.12A-E AS A BLOCK****ASK ALL:**Q.13 Do you think abortion should be **[READ]****(PLEASE READ CATEGORIES IN REVERSE ORDER FOR HALF THE SAMPLE)**

	Legal in all cases	Legal in most cases	Illegal in most cases	Illegal in all cases	<b>[VOL. DO NOT READ]</b> DK/Ref	NET Legal in all/most	NET Illegal in all/most
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
February, 2006 AP/Ipsos-Poll	19	32	27	16	6	51	43
December 2005 ABC/Wash Post	17	40	27	13	3	57	40
April 2005 ABC/Wash Post	20	36	27	14	3	56	41
December 2004 ABC/Wash Post	21	34	25	17	3	55	42
May 2004 ABC/Wash Post	23	31	23	20	2	54	43
January 2003 ABC/Wash Post	23	34	25	17	2	57	42
August 2001 ABC/Wash Post	22	27	28	20	3	49	48
June 2001 ABC/BeliefNet	22	31	23	20	4	53	43
January 2001 ABC/Wash Post	21	38	25	14	1	59	39
September 2000 (RVs) ABC/Wash Post	20	35	25	16	3	55	41
July 2000 ABC/Wash Post	20	33	26	17	4	53	43
September 1999 ABC/Wash Post	20	37	26	15	2	57	41
March 1999 ABC/Wash Post	21	34	27	15	3	55	42
July 1998 ABC/Wash Post	19	35	29	13	4	54	42
August 1996 ABC/Wash Post	22	34	27	14	3	56	41
June 1996 ABC/Wash Post	24	34	25	14	2	58	39
October 1995 ABC/Wash Post	26	35	25	12	3	61	37
September 1995 ABC/Wash Post	24	36	25	11	4	60	36
July 1995 ABC/Wash Post	27	32	26	14	1	59	40

**ASK ALL:**

Q.14 Which one of the following has had the biggest influence on your thinking on this issue... **[READ AND RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS WITH OPTION 6 ALWAYS LAST BUT KEEP THE SAME ORDER OF RESPONSE CATEGORIES FOR ALL ITEMS] [IF R SAYS ALL OR MORE THAN ONE, PROBE WITH: Which has had the biggest influence?]**

	Religious beliefs	Education	Personal experience	Friend/ family views	Media	Some- thing Else	DK/Ref	No opinion on issue	(N)
<b>ASK ALL IMMEDIATELY AFTER Q.11 IF Q.11&lt;9:</b>									
a. Dealing with illegal immigration in the U.S									
<b>BASED ON TOTAL:</b>									
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	7	20	26	6	20	16	2	3	(3003)
<i>What should be the priority...</i>									
Border security	5	18	29	5	20	19	3	--	(1008)
Path to citizenship	8	23	27	9	18	11	3	--	(628)
Both	8	20	25	6	23	16	2	--	(1258)
<b>ASK FORM 1 IMMEDIATELY AFTER Q.12a IF Q.12a&lt;9:</b>									
b. The death penalty for persons convicted of murder									
<b>BASED ON TOTAL FORM 1:</b>									
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	17	20	14	7	13	18	2	9	(1491)
Favor	13	22	17	8	16	23	2	--	(922)
Oppose	32	23	11	5	12	14	2	--	(429)
March, 2001	21	13	12	5	24	16	2	7	(2041)
<b>ASK FORM 2 IMMEDIATELY AFTER Q.12b IF Q.12b&lt;9:</b>									
c. Allowing gays and lesbians to marry legally									
<b>BASED ON TOTAL FORM 2:</b>									
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	31	12	15	9	6	14	3	11	(1512)
Favor	5	19	29	18	8	21	2	--	(596)
Oppose	60	9	7	3	6	11	4	--	(758)
March, 2001	38	12	11	7	8	14	1	8	(2041)
<b>ASK FORM 2 IMMEDIATELY AFTER Q.12c IF Q.12c&lt;9:</b>									
d. Providing more generous gov't assistance to the poor									
<b>BASED ON TOTAL FORM 2:</b>									
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	9	18	33	8	13	10	3	6	(1512)
Favor	12	18	33	9	14	11	3	--	(893)
Oppose	4	23	37	7	14	11	3	--	(516)
March, 2001	12	16	27	7	18	13	2	4	(2041)

**Q.14 CONTINUED...**

	Religious beliefs	Education	Personal experience	Friend/ family views	Media	Some- thing Else	DK/Ref	No opinion on the issue (N)
<b>ASK ALL IMMEDIATELY AFTER</b>								
<b>Q.12d IF Q.12d&lt;9:</b>								
<b>BASED ON TOTAL:</b>								
e. Tougher laws and regulations to protect the environment								
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	6	28	18	6	24	11	2	5 (3003)
Favor	6	30	18	6	27	11	2	-- (2381)
Oppose	9	26	21	5	20	14	3	-- (461)
<b>TREND FOR COMPARISON:</b>								
Stricter environmental laws and regulations cost too many jobs and hurt the economy,								
OR								
Stricter environmental laws and regulations are worth the cost								
Jul, 2006 <sup>3</sup>	7	23	20	6	22	10	1	12 (2041)
<b>ASK FORM 1 IMMEDIATELY AFTER Q.13 IF Q.13&lt;9:</b>								
<b>BASED ON TOTAL FORM 1:</b>								
f. Abortion								
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	24	21	16	6	6	16	3	8 (1491)
Legal in most cases/ all cases	9	29	22	8	6	22	3	-- (729)
Illegal in most cases/ all cases	45	16	12	6	6	12	2	-- (646)
Aug, 2009	29	19	13	6	4	18	1	10 (2010)

3 In July 2006, respondents who said neither or both statements come closest to their view were not asked: "Which of the following had the greatest influence...". These respondents are included with "No opinion on the issue".

**ASK ALL:**

Q.15 Which of these statements comes closer to your own views — even if neither is exactly right—**[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE ITEMS BUT NOT STATEMENTS WITHIN]**?

a.	The growing number of newcomers from other countries threatens traditional <u>American customs and values</u>	The growing number of newcomers from other countries strengthens <u>American society</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> Neither/ Both equally/ <u>DK/Ref</u>
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	38	49	13
Jun 16-20, 2010	44	44	12
November, 2007	50	40	10
March, 2006	48	45	7
December, 2004	40	50	10
b.	Immigrants today strengthen our country because of their <u>hard work and talents</u>	Immigrants today are a burden on our country because they take our jobs, <u>housing and health care</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> Neither/ Both equally/ <u>DK/Ref</u>
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	42	45	13
Jun 16-20, 2010	39	50	11
Oct 28-Nov 30, 2009	46	40	14
September, 2006	41	41	18
March, 2006	41	52	7
December, 2005	45	44	11
December, 2004	45	44	11
June, 2003	46	44	10
September, 2000	50	38	12
August, 1999	46	44	10
October, 1997	41	48	11
June, 1997	41	48	11
April, 1997	38	52	10
June, 1996	37	54	9
July, 1994	31	63	6

**NO QUESTIONS 16-19  
QUESTIONS 20 THROUGH 30 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED**



**ASK ALL:**

RELIG What is your present religion, if any? Are you Protestant, Roman Catholic, Mormon, Orthodox such as Greek or Russian Orthodox, Jewish, Muslim, Buddhist, Hindu, atheist, agnostic, something else, or nothing in particular?

**[INTERVIEWER: IF R VOLUNTEERS "nothing in particular, none, no religion, etc." BEFORE REACHING END OF LIST, PROMPT WITH: And would you say that's atheist, agnostic, or just nothing in particular?]**

**ASK IF SOMETHING ELSE, NOTHING IN PARTICULAR OR DK/REF (RELIG=11, 12, 99):**

CHR Do you think of yourself as a Christian or not?

**IF R NAMED A NON-CHRISTIAN RELIGION IN PREVIOUS QUESTION (e.g. Native American, Wiccan, Pagan, etc.), DO NOT READ (ENTER "NO" CODE 2)**

42	Protestant (Baptist, Methodist, Non-denominational, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Pentecostal, Episcopalian, Reformed, Church of Christ, Jehovah's Witness, etc.)
23	Roman Catholic (Catholic)
2	Mormon (Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints/LDS)
1	Orthodox (Greek, Russian, or some other orthodox church)
2	Jewish (Judaism)
1	Muslim (Islam)
1	Buddhist
*	Hindu
2	Atheist (do not believe in God)
3	Agnostic (not sure if there is a God)
1	Something else <b>(SPECIFY)</b>
12	Nothing in particular
9	Christian <b>(VOL.)</b>
*	Unitarian (Universalist) <b>(VOL.)</b>
2	Don't Know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>

**ASK IF CHRISTIAN (RELIG=1-4, 13 OR ((RELIG=11 OR RELIG=99) AND CHR=1)):**

BORN Would you describe yourself as a "born again" or evangelical Christian, or not?

**BASED ON TOTAL**

35	Yes, would
39	No, would not
4	Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>
*	Undesignated
78%	Christian

**ASK ALL:**

ATTEND Aside from weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services... more than once a week, once a week, once or twice a month, a few times a year, seldom, or never?

	More than <u>once a week</u>	Once <u>a week</u>	Once or twice <u>a month</u>	A few times <u>a year</u>	<u>Seldom</u>	<u>Never</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	14	25	14	20	15	11	2
August, 2009	14	23	16	18	16	11	1
August, 2008	13	26	16	19	15	10	1
Aug, 2007	14	26	16	18	16	9	1
July, 2006	15	25	15	18	14	12	1
July, 2005	14	27	14	19	14	11	1
Aug, 2004	13	25	15	20	15	11	1
July, 2003	16	27	15	18	14	10	*
March, 2003	15	24	15	21	15	9	1
March, 2002	15	25	17	18	15	9	1
Mid-Nov, 2001	16	26	14	17	16	10	1
March, 2001	17	26	17	17	15	7	1
Sept, 2000 (RVs)	17	28	16	17	13	8	1
June, 1997	12	26	17	20	15	10	*
June, 1996	14	25	17	21	13	9	1

**NO QUESTIONS 31-39****ASK ALL:**

Q.40 How important is religion in your life – very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important?

Jul 21-Aug 5 <u>2010</u>		August <u>2009</u>	August <u>2008</u>	August <u>2007</u>
58	Very important	57	58	61
24	Somewhat important	25	27	24
9	Not too important	8	7	8
8	Not at all important	8	7	6
1	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	1	1	1

**QUESTIONS 41 AND 42 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED****ASK IF ATTEND AT LEAST ONCE OR TWICE A MONTH (ATTEND<4):**

Q.43 Does the clergy at your place of worship ever speak out [INSERT FIRST ITEM; READ AND RANDOMIZE]? And do they ever speak out [INSERT NEXT ITEM]?

**BASED ON THOSE WHO ATTEND SERVICES AT LEAST ONCE OR TWICE A MONTH [N=1663]**

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>DK</u>
a. On the issue of abortion			
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	59	39	1
July, 2006	59	39	2
November, 2005	52	45	3
October, 2003	63	35	2
June, 1996	60	39	1
b. On the wars in Iraq or Afghanistan			
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	51	49	1

**TREND FOR COMPARISON**

<i>On the issue of the situation in Iraq</i>			
July, 2006	53	46	1
November, 2005	50	47	3
October, 2003	53	45	2
March, 2003 <sup>4</sup>	57	41	2
c. About immigration			
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	24	75	1

**TREND FOR COMPARISON**

<i>Laws regarding immigration</i>			
July, 2006	21	77	2
d. About hunger and poverty			
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	88	11	1
July, 2006	92	8	*
June, 1996	87	12	1
e. About the environment			
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	47	52	1
July, 2006	48	50	2

<sup>4</sup> In March 2003 the question was not asked as part of a list and was worded: "Has the clergy at your place of worship spoken recently about the issue of war with Iraq, or not?"

**Q.43 CONTINUED...****BASED ON THOSE WHO ATTEND SERVICES AT LEAST ONCE OR TWICE A MONTH [N=1663]**

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>DK</u>
f. About laws regarding homosexuality			
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	44	55	1

**TREND FOR COMPARISON**

<i>Laws regarding homosexuals</i>			
July, 2006	52	47	1
October, 2003	41	57	2
June, 1996	36	62	2
g. On the issue of the death penalty			
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	24	75	2
July, 2006	31	67	2
November, 2005	27	69	4
October, 2003	28	69	3
June, 1996	27	70	3
h. About candidates and elections			
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	24	74	1
October, 2003	26	72	2
June, 1996	21	77	2

**NO QUESTIONS 44A OR 44B****RANDOMIZE Q.44c/Q.44e IN SAME ORDER AS Q.43****ASK IF Q.43c=1 AND ALWAYS BEFORE Q.44f**

Q.44c Now just in your own words, when your clergy has spoken about the issue of immigration, what kinds of things have they said? [**OPEN-END; RECORD VERBATIM RESPONSE; PROBE ONCE IF RESPONDENT ANSWERS DON'T KNOW.**]

**BASED ON THOSE WHO ATTEND SERVICES AT LEAST ONCE OR TWICE A MONTH AND WHOSE CLERGY SPEAKS OUT ON IMMIGRATION [N=363]**

Jul 21-Aug 5,

2010

49	Favor immigration (NET)
	Be tolerant towards diversity/welcome strangers/we are all God's children/created equally/love thy neighbor
24	
12	Favor immigration (General)
8	Help the needy
7	Help immigrants assimilate and/or become legal
23	Oppose immigration (NET)
7	Advocate for strict enforcement of laws including border security
7	Oppose immigration (General)
7	Immigrants take American jobs and government assistance
3	People should follow the law of the land
3	Neutral position
12	Other
21	Nothing/Don't know/Refused

**NO QUESTION 44D**

**RANDOMIZE Q.44c/Q.44e IN SAME ORDER AS Q.43****ASK IF Q.43e=1 AND ALWAYS BEFORE Q.44f**

Q.44e Now just in your own words, when your clergy has spoken about the environment, what kinds of things have they said [OPEN-END; RECORD VERBATIM RESPONSE; PROBE ONCE IF RESPONDENT ANSWERS DON'T KNOW.]?

**BASED ON THOSE WHO ATTEND SERVICES AT LEAST ONCE OR TWICE A MONTH AND WHOSE CLERGY SPEAKS OUT ON ENVIRONMENT [N=768]**

Jul 21-Aug 5,

2010

29	Protect/take care of/clean up the environment (General)
20	Environmental damage (NET)
13	Warnings about damage to the environment (Misc.)
6	Oil leak in the Gulf of Mexico
2	Warnings about global warming
11	Conservation (NET)
4	Encourage recycling
3	Promote conservation (energy, H <sub>2</sub> O, food, etc.)
3	Go green message
2	Take action to protect the environment
6	Take care of God's creation/honor nature
4	Practice stewardship of the Earth
3	Need to preserve environment for future generations/our children
1	The end is coming
16	Other
20	Nothing/Don't know/Refused

**ASK IF Q.43f=1 AND ALWAYS AFTER Q.44c/Q44e.**

Q.44f When your clergy has spoken about homosexuality, do they say it is something that should be ACCEPTED, something that should be DISCOURAGED, or don't they take a position on the issue?

**BASED ON THOSE WHO ATTEND SERVICES AT LEAST ONCE OR TWICE A MONTH AND WHOSE CLERGY SPEAKS OUT ABOUT LAWS REGARDING HOMOSEXUALITY [N=701]**

Jul 21-Aug 5,

2010

		Oct <u>2003<sup>5</sup></u>
8	Accepted	4
72	Discouraged	82
15	No position	11
3	Other / Multiple positions [VOL. DO NOT READ]	2
2	Don't know/Refused [VOL. DO NOT READ]	1

<sup>5</sup> For October 2003 this item is based on those who attend services at least once or twice a month and whose clergy speaks out on "laws regarding homosexuals."

And on another topic,

**ASK ALL:**

Q.45 Which comes closest to your view? **[READ IN ORDER]**

**[Holy book: If Christian or no religion (RELIG =1-4, 9, 10, 12, 13 OR CHR=1) insert "the Bible"; If Jewish (RELIG =5), insert "the Torah"; If Muslim (RELIG=6), insert, "the Koran"; If other non-Christian affiliations (RELIG=7,8,14 OR (RELIG=11 AND CHR=2,9)), insert "the Holy Scripture"; IF DK/REF IN RELIGION (RELIG=99) AND CHR=2,9, insert "the Bible"]**

**ASK IF BELIEVE HOLY BOOK IS WORD OF GOD (Q.45=1):**

Q.46 And would you say that **[READ IN ORDER]**?

July 21-Aug 5, <u>2010</u>		August <u>2009</u>
68	<b>[Holy book]</b> is the word of God	69
34	<b>[Holy book]</b> is to be taken literally, word for word [OR]	34
33	Not everything in <b>[Holy book]</b> should be taken literally, word for word/Other/DK	35
23	<b>[Holy book]</b> is a book written by men and is not the word of God	23
9	Other/Don't know <b>(VOL.)</b>	8

**ASK IF ATTEND AT LEAST ONCE OR TWICE A MONTH (ATTEND<4):**

Q.47 Thinking about the church or house of worship where you attend religious services most often, about how many of its members are immigrants born outside the U.S.? Would you say nearly all, many, just some or very few?

**BASED ON THOSE WHO ATTEND SERVICES AT LEAST ONCE OR TWICE A MONTH [N=1663]**

Jul 21-Aug 5, <u>2010</u>	
4	Nearly all
9	Many
23	Just some
55	Very few
9	Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>

**NO QUESTIONS 48-57**

**ASK ALL:**

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

**ASK IF ANSWERED 3, 4, 5 OR 9 IN PARTY:**

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

	<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>	(VOL.) No preference	(VOL.) Other party	(VOL.) DK/Ref	Lean <u>Rep</u>	Lean <u>Dem</u>
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	26	33	34	4	*	3	14	14
Jun 16-20, 2010	27	34	34	3	1	2	15	15
Apr 21-26, 2010	26	33	36	3	1	3	16	13
Apr 8-11, 2010	23	32	38	5	*	2	17	13
Apr 1-5, 2010	24	29	40	3	1	3	17	15
Mar 18-21, 2010	24	30	40	2	1	3	17	13
Mar 11-21, 2010	28	34	32	3	*	3	13	12
Mar 10-14, 2010	22	33	37	6	*	3	14	13
Feb 3-9, 2010	26	31	37	3	*	3	14	17
Jan 6-10, 2010	22	33	42	2	1	2	17	16
Dec 9-13, 2009	25	32	38	2	*	2	14	15
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	27	35	32	3	*	2	13	13
Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009	23	34	37	3	1	3	16	14
Sep 10-15, 2009	23	34	34	4	*	5	13	17
Aug 20-27, 2009	26	32	36	3	*	3	14	16
Aug 11-17, 2009	23	33	38	3	*	3	16	15

## PARTY/PARTYLN CONTINUED...

				(VOL.)	(VOL.)	(VOL.)	Lean	Lean
	<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>	No	Other	<u>DK/Ref</u>	<u>Rep</u>	<u>Dem</u>
				preference	party			
Jul 22-26, 2009	22	34	37	5	*	2	15	14
Jun 10-14, 2009	25	34	34	3	*	3	11	16
<b>Yearly Totals</b>								
2009	23.9	34.4	35.1	3.4	.4	2.8	13.1	15.7
2008	25.3	35.8	31.7	3.8	.3	3.1	10.5	15.4
2007	25.4	32.9	33.7	4.6	.4	3.1	10.7	16.7
2006	27.6	32.8	30.3	5.0	.4	3.9	10.2	14.5
2005	29.2	32.8	30.3	4.5	.3	2.8	10.2	14.9
2004	29.7	33.4	29.8	3.9	.4	2.9	11.7	13.4
2003	29.8	31.4	31.2	4.7	.5	2.5	12.1	13.0
2002	30.3	31.2	30.1	5.1	.7	2.7	12.6	11.6
2001	29.2	33.6	28.9	5.1	.5	2.7	11.7	11.4
2001 Post-Sept 11	30.9	31.8	27.9	5.2	.6	3.6	11.7	9.4
2001 Pre-Sept 11	28.2	34.6	29.5	5.0	.5	2.1	11.7	12.5
2000	27.5	32.5	29.5	5.9	.5	4.0	11.6	11.6
1999	26.6	33.5	33.7	3.9	.5	1.9	13.0	14.5
1998	27.5	33.2	31.9	4.6	.4	2.4	11.8	13.5
1997	28.2	33.3	31.9	4.0	.4	2.3	12.3	13.8
1996	29.2	32.7	33.0	5.2	--	--	12.7	15.6
1995	31.4	29.7	33.4	5.4	--	--	14.4	12.9
1994	29.8	31.8	33.8	4.6	--	--	14.3	12.6
1993	27.4	33.8	34.0	4.8	--	--	11.8	14.7
1992	27.7	32.7	35.7	3.9	--	--	13.8	15.8
1991	30.9	31.4	33.2	4.5	--	--	14.6	10.8
1990	31.0	33.1	29.1	6.8	--	--	12.4	11.3
1989	33	33	34	--	--	--	--	--
1987	26	35	39	--	--	--	--	--