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TOTAL	27	65	8	1975	38	53	9	7928	42	48	10	6512
SEX												
Men	23	69	8	941	33	57	10	3834	38	51	11	2948
Women	32	61	8	1034	43	49	9	4094	46	45	10	3564
AGE												
18-49	32	61	7	1327	44	47	9	3506	49	43	9	2860
50+	19	73	9	624	29	61	10	4277	34	54	12	3529
DETAILED AGE												
18-29	42	52	6	472	52	39	9	1126	53	39	8	1019
30-49	27	66	8	855	39	51	9	2380	46	45	9	1841
50-64	22	69	9	345	34	57	9	2413	38	52	10	2027
65+	15	77	8	279	23	67	10	1864	28	59	13	1502
SEX BY AGE												
Men 18-49	26	66	8	676	38	52	10	1841	44	46	10	1405
Men 50+	15	77	7	258	25	65	10	1931	30	58	12	1503
Women 18-49	38	56	6	651	51	41	8	1665	54	39	8	1455
Women 50+	21	70	9	366	33	58	9	2346	37	52	11	2026
RACE												
White, non-Hisp	27	65	8	1566	39	52	9	5981	44	46	10	4733
Black, non-Hisp	26	66	8	166	28	62	10	726	30	59	11	707
Hispanic	32	64	4	145	39	49	12	677	41	47	12	581
WHITES												
Men	23	69	8	743	34	57	10	2879	41	49	10	2109
Women	32	61	8	823	44	48	8	3102	48	43	9	2624
18-49	32	61	7	997	46	46	9	2378	52	40	8	1837
50+	19	73	8	550	31	60	9	3518	36	53	11	2826
College grad	36	57	7	503	52	40	8	2410	54	38	8	1856
Some college or less	25	67	8	1063	34	57	9	3554	40	50	10	2854
\$75,000+	34	60	6	225	44	48	7	1892	54	38	8	1375
\$30,000-\$74,999	27	65	8	670	38	53	9	1952	43	48	9	1568
<\$30,000	27	66	7	511	37	55	9	1245	39	50	11	1047
Republican	14	80	5	536	19	74	6	1885	24	68	7	1580
Democrat	34	57	10	454	59	35	6	1629	64	28	8	1274
Independent	33	58	8	576	40	47	12	2467	47	40	11	1879
East	34	58	8	302	53	38	10	1150	55	35	10	879
Midwest	25	66	9	453	36	55	9	1635	45	44	11	1325
South	22	71	7	541	31	60	9	2137	36	55	9	1684
West	32	60	8	270	43	49	8	1059	50	43	8	845
BLACKS												
Men	--	--	--	66	21	68	11	311	25	63	12	324
Women	--	--	--	100	34	58	8	415	36	55	10	383
18-49	--	--	--	131	34	56	9	386	37	53	10	379
50+	--	--	--	35	18	72	10	335	20	67	12	312
College grad	--	--	--	49	36	56	8	172	44	46	10	190
Some college or less	--	--	--	116	27	63	10	553	27	62	11	515
Republican	--	--	--	10	--	--	--	23	--	--	--	26
Democrat	--	--	--	102	30	62	9	508	30	60	10	476
Independent	--	--	--	54	29	60	11	195	33	54	13	205

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EDUCATION												
College grad	35	57	8	626	50	42	8	2949	52	39	9	2377
Some college	33	60	7	485	41	50	10	2030	46	45	9	1637
HS or less	22	70	8	859	30	60	10	2889	34	55	11	2454
INCOME												
\$75,000+	33	59	7	265	45	47	8	2286	52	39	8	1711
\$30,000-\$74,999	27	66	7	803	38	53	8	2525	42	49	9	2097
<\$30,000	28	65	7	699	34	56	10	1903	37	51	12	1653
DETAILED INCOME												
\$100,000+	36	56	8	128	46	46	8	1361	53	39	8	996
\$75,000-\$99,999	31	63	6	137	44	49	7	925	51	40	9	715
\$50,000-\$74,999	31	62	8	290	40	52	8	1177	42	49	8	914
\$30,000-\$49,999	25	68	7	513	37	55	8	1348	42	49	10	1183
<\$30,000	28	65	7	699	34	56	10	1903	37	51	12	1653
MARITAL STATUS												
Married	22	72	6	1078	34	57	9	4337	38	52	10	3423
Not married	34	57	9	893	42	48	10	3510	47	43	11	3022
MARITAL STATUS BY SEX												
Married men	19	75	7	515	29	62	9	2241	33	56	11	1615
Married women	25	70	6	563	39	53	8	2096	43	48	9	1808
Unmarried men	28	63	9	424	37	52	11	1555	44	45	11	1307
Unmarried women	40	50	10	469	46	45	9	1955	50	40	10	1715
REGION												
East	34	59	8	367	48	42	10	1445	49	41	11	1159
Midwest	25	67	9	516	36	54	9	1956	44	44	12	1583
South	23	70	7	705	30	60	10	3007	35	55	10	2500
West	32	60	7	387	43	49	8	1520	47	45	8	1270

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REGISTERED VOTER												
Registered voter	26	66	8	1500	38	53	9	6594	42	48	9	5247
Not a registered voter	32	60	8	475	37	51	12	1334	42	46	12	1265
PARTY ID												
Republican	15	80	5	609	20	73	7	2093	24	69	7	1768
Democrat	33	58	10	636	50	43	7	2540	53	38	9	2108
Independent	33	59	8	730	38	49	13	3295	44	43	13	2636
PARTY LEANING												
Lean Republican	22	71	7	223	26	64	10	1125	32	56	11	971
Lean Democrat	41	51	7	348	54	37	9	1252	59	31	9	950
No leaning	30	60	10	159	31	49	20	918	39	41	19	715
PARTY WITH LEANERS												
Rep/Rep lean	17	78	6	832	22	70	8	3218	27	64	9	2739
Dem/Dem lean	36	55	9	984	52	41	8	3792	55	36	9	3058
IDEOLOGY												
Conservative	15	78	7	752	20	73	8	3233	23	67	9	2634
Moderate	29	63	9	781	45	45	11	2854	49	40	11	2171
Liberal	52	41	7	393	65	27	8	1470	67	26	7	1391
PARTY AND IDEOLOGY												
Conservative Repub.	10	86	4	358	14	80	6	1481	16	77	7	1263
Mod/Lib Repub.	23	71	6	243	34	55	11	572	41	51	8	468
Mod/Cons Dem.	26	63	10	442	41	52	7	1586	41	48	11	1207
Liberal Dem.	52	41	8	181	72	23	5	867	75	20	5	819
REPUBLICANS												
Men	12	82	6	312	19	73	8	1073	22	70	7	806
Women	18	78	4	297	21	73	6	1020	25	68	8	962
18-49	18	77	5	412	24	69	7	857	29	64	7	705
50+	8	87	5	192	15	78	7	1205	18	75	7	1034
College grad	17	77	6	210	23	69	7	819	25	65	10	699
Some college or less	14	81	5	398	19	74	7	1265	23	71	6	1062
DEMOCRATS												
Men	31	61	8	251	43	50	7	985	45	44	11	782
Women	34	55	11	385	56	38	7	1555	59	33	8	1326
18-49	37	54	9	401	58	36	5	1094	60	34	6	893
50+	26	63	11	227	41	51	8	1418	46	42	12	1185
College grad	48	42	10	189	72	23	6	920	75	19	6	744
Some college or less	29	62	9	446	43	50	7	1613	45	45	10	1349
INDEPENDENTS												
Men	26	65	8	378	35	52	13	1776	42	45	13	1360
Women	40	53	7	352	42	46	12	1519	47	40	13	1276
18-49	38	54	8	514	44	43	13	1555	51	38	11	1262
50+	19	73	8	205	29	58	13	1654	35	51	15	1310
College grad	41	50	9	227	50	39	11	1210	54	35	11	934
Some college or less	30	62	8	500	34	52	13	2041	41	45	13	1680

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RELIGIOUS PREFERENCE												
PROTESTANT												
Total Protestant	20	73	7	1024	27	64	9	4336	31	59	10	3448
All White Protestant	20	74	7	848	27	64	8	3347	33	58	9	2575
White Evangelical	13	83	4	416	17	77	6	1758	20	74	6	1396
Men	8	89	3	166	13	81	6	769	17	77	6	542
Women	16	79	5	250	20	74	6	989	22	71	7	854
18-49	15	82	3	249	22	72	7	646	26	69	5	481
50+	9	86	5	161	13	82	5	1096	15	78	7	900
Attend weekly	8	89	4	287	10	85	4	1162	14	81	5	894
Attend less	25	70	5	126	28	64	9	588	31	61	8	490
White Mainline	27	64	10	432	40	49	11	1587	49	38	13	1179
Men	19	72	8	206	30	59	11	752	39	45	16	520
Women	34	56	11	226	48	41	11	835	57	33	11	659
18-49	33	58	9	248	45	44	11	551	54	34	12	399
50+	18	72	10	179	34	54	11	1014	44	43	13	762
Attend weekly	15	75	9	99	34	56	10	456	35	57	8	313
Attend less	30	61	9	330	42	47	12	1116	53	33	14	859
Black Protestant	23	69	9	110	27	63	10	568	28	62	10	539
Attend weekly	--	--	--	67	19	71	10	330	22	69	9	338
Attend less	--	--	--	43	37	53	10	230	37	52	11	199
CATHOLIC												
Total Catholic	32	59	9	480	42	45	13	1803	46	42	12	1436
White Catholic	31	60	9	375	44	45	11	1309	49	41	11	1001
Men	23	67	10	166	36	50	14	613	45	45	11	444
Women	37	55	9	209	51	40	9	696	52	37	11	557
18-49	36	53	11	257	53	37	10	521	58	33	8	383
50+	18	76	6	110	34	54	12	772	39	48	13	610
Attend weekly	21	72	6	154	34	55	11	605	34	55	11	457
Attend less	37	52	11	220	51	38	11	698	59	31	10	540
Hispanic Catholic	--	--	--	76	40	43	17	376	42	43	15	317
JEWISH	--	--	--	28	75	18	7	152	76	18	6	139
UNAFFILIATED	45	46	9	222	63	30	8	1080	62	28	10	953
Men	-	-	-	158	56	35	9	641	56	32	12	528
Women	-	-	-	64	73	22	6	439	71	22	7	425
18-49	-	-	-	177	66	28	6	617	66	25	9	555
50+	-	-	-	44	56	34	10	440	56	31	13	377
Atheist/Agnostic	-	-	-	-	82	14	4	322	80	16	5	246
Nothing in particular	-	-	-	-	54	36	9	758	57	32	12	707
CHURCH ATTENDANCE												
Weekly or more	16	78	6	785	23	69	8	3299	24	68	8	2639
Monthly/yearly	35	58	7	758	44	45	11	2542	49	40	10	2063
Seldom/Never	37	53	10	419	52	38	10	1989	59	29	12	1710

PEW RESEARCH CENTER. Data for 1996 is from the June 1996 survey. Data for Aug 2008-2009 combine three polls conducted in Aug. 2008, April 2009 and Aug. 2009. Data for 2010 combine two polls conducted in Aug. and Sept. 2010.