

# Democracy Corps/Campaign for America's Future Take Back the American Dream Conference Straw Poll Frequency Questionnaire

June 18-19, 2012  
**209 Conference Attendees**

Q.2 Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president?

	<b>Total</b>
Strongly approve .....	28
Somewhat approve .....	58
Somewhat disapprove .....	8
Strongly disapprove .....	6
Don't know .....	-
<b>Total Approve .....</b>	<b>86</b>
<b>Total Disapprove .....</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Approve - Disapprove.....</b>	<b>72</b>
(ref:BOAPP)	

Q.3 Now, I'd like you to rate your feelings toward some people and organizations, with one hundred meaning a VERY WARM, FAVORABLE feeling; zero meaning a VERY COLD, UNFAVORABLE feeling; and fifty meaning not particularly warm or cold.

	Mean	% Warm	% Cool	% >75	% <26	% ID	Warm - Cool
3 Barack Obama .....	77.7	84	9	67	6	96	75
4 The Republican Party.....	6.3	1	94	1	90	96	-93
5 The Democratic Party .....	60.6	66	22	25	8	96	44
6 The Republican Congress.....	4.3	1	95	1	91	96	-94
7 Democrats in Congress.....	57.3	63	23	16	9	95	40
8 John Boehner - the Republican Speaker of the House .....	5.9	0	94	0	89	95	-93
9 Mitt Romney .....	6.9	1	94	0	89	95	-92
10 Joe Biden .....	75.0	83	8	55	3	96	75
11 Elizabeth Warren.....	87.7	82	3	73	2	86	78
12 Super PACs .....	9.1	3	88	1	83	93	-85

	Mean	% Warm	% Cool	% >75	% <26	% ID	Warm - Cool
13 Occupy Wall Street .....	77.7	85	9	57	33	95	76
14 The Koch brothers..... (ref:THERM3)	2.9	1	91	5	86	92	-90

Q.15 In thinking about the Presidential election that will be held this November, compared to the 2008 election, are you more enthusiastic or less enthusiastic?

	Total
Much more enthusiastic .....	9
Somewhat more enthusiastic.....	14
About the same .....	28
Somewhat less enthusiastic .....	33
Much less enthusiastic.....	16
Don't know/Refused .....	0
<b>Total More Enthusiastic .....</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>Total Less Enthusiastic.....</b>	<b>49</b>
<b>More - Less .....</b>	<b>-26</b>

(ref:ENTHUSE)

Q.16 I know it's a long way off, but thinking about the presidential election this November, if the election for president were held today, for whom would you vote:

	Total
Democrat Barack Obama .....	90
Republican Mitt Romney.....	0
Green Party candidate Jill Stein .....	3
Other candidate .....	2
Undecided .....	2
Will not vote in 2012.....	2

(ref:PREZ12A)

[188 Respondents]

Q.17 (IF OBAMA IN PREZ12A) Would you say your vote is more FOR Barack Obama or more AGAINST Mitt Romney?

	Total
For Obama strongly .....	60
For Obama somewhat .....	16
Against Romney somewhat .....	5
Against Romney strongly .....	19
Don't know .....	1
<b>Total For Obama .....</b>	<b>76</b>
<b>Total Against Romney .....</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>For Obama - Against Romney .....</b>	<b>52</b>

(ref:PRES1)

[1 Respondent]

Q.18 (IF ROMNEY IN PREZ12A) Would you say your vote is more FOR Mitt Romney or more AGAINST Barack Obama?

	<b>Total</b>
For Romney strongly.....	-
For Romney somewhat.....	-
Against Obama somewhat.....	100
Against Obama strongly.....	-
Don't know .....	-
<b>Total For Romney .....</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total Against Obama .....</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>For Romney - Against Obama .....</b>	<b>-100</b>

(ref:PRES2)

Q.19 Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling the following issues?

	<b>Strng</b>	<b>Smwt</b>	<b>Smwt</b>	<b>Strng</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>App</b>
	<b>App</b>	<b>App</b>	<b>Disap</b>	<b>Disap</b>	<b>DK</b>	<b>App</b>	<b>Disap</b>	<b>Disap</b>
19 The economy and jobs.....	22	58	14	6	-	<b>80</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>60</b>
20 Wall Street..... (ref:BOAPP3)	5	39	33	22	-	<b>44</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>-11</b>

Q.21 Thinking ahead to the presidential election in 2016, which ONE of the following people would you MOST like to see as the Democratic nominee for president in 2016?

	<b>Total</b>
Elizabeth Warren .....	32
Hillary Clinton .....	27
Sherrod Brown .....	16
Andrew Cuomo .....	6
Mark Warner .....	4
Joe Biden .....	3
Other .....	12
Don't know .....	0

(ref:DPRES16)

Q.22 Please read the pairs of statements below and for each indicate if the FIRST statement or the SECOND statement comes closer to your own view, even if neither is exactly right.

	1st Stmt Strng	1st Stmt Smwt	2nd Stmt Smwt	2nd Stmt Strng	Both	Neither	Total 1st Stmt	Total 2nd Stmt	1st - 2nd
22 With unemployment over 8 percent, the first priority for Washington should be creating jobs. OR With deficits of over 1 trillion dollars a year, the first priority for Washington should be cutting spending and reducing the deficit. ....	87	9	3	1	-	0	95	4	91
23 I would consider voting for a third party candidate in this year's presidential election. OR I would not consider voting for a third party candidate in this year's presidential election. ....	11	7	14	67	-	0	18	81	-63
24 We have not made the necessary reforms to keep Wall Street and too-big-to-fail banks from bringing our economy down again. OR We have reformed Wall Street and big banks too much, and need to deregulate them to let our economy grow.....	89	10	0	1	-	-	98	2	96
25 I would support a constitutional amendment overturning the Citizens United decision because big money in politics undermines democracy. OR I would not support a constitutional amendment overturning the Citizens United decision because money is part of free speech. ....	87	10	1	2	-	-	97	3	93
26 The government should enable homeowners who are under water on their loans to be able to reduce their principal in order to reduce the number of foreclosures. OR The government should not enable underwater homeowners to reduce the principal on their loans because that would reward irresponsible borrowers. .... (ref:SPPAIRS)	73	22	3	2	0	-	94	5	89

Q.28 Compared to your expectations for President Obama in 2008, how would you evaluate your feelings about him now? Please choose up to two.

	<b>Total</b>
Hopeful.....	46
Disappointed .....	35
Concerned .....	31
Satisfied .....	15
Enthusiastic.....	11
Angry.....	7
Confused.....	5
Depressed.....	4
Relieved .....	1
Don't Know.....	-
(ref:BOREFLEC)	

Q.29 Over the next months, progressives should focus on:

	<b>Total</b>
Re-electing Barack Obama and taking back the House to stop the right from controlling Washington. ....	61
Building independent political organizations that can recruit, support and elect progressive Democrats at all levels of government. ....	23
Building independent movements like Occupy Wall Street that challenge the limits of the current debate with demonstrations and mobilization. ....	11
Building a third party that can challenge both parties in elections. ....	5
(ref:FOCUS)	

Q.31 Thinking in political terms, how do you describe yourself?

	<b>Total</b>
Liberal .....	34
Progressive .....	56
Moderate .....	9
Conservative .....	0
Don't know .....	0
(ref:IDEO1)	

Q.32 In what year were you born?

	<b>Total</b>
18 - 24 .....	14
25 - 29 .....	13
30 - 34 .....	6
35 - 39 .....	4
40 - 44 .....	4
45 - 49 .....	2
50 - 54 .....	5
55 - 59 .....	9
60 - 64 .....	8
65 and over .....	31
(No answer) .....	3
(ref:AGE)	

Q.33 Which of the following did you use to take this survey?

	<b>Total</b>
Smartphone (iPhone, Blackberry, etc.) .....	6
Tablet (iPad, etc.) .....	2
Personal laptop .....	12
Straw poll laptop station at the conference .....	78
Some other way .....	2
(ref:METHOD)	

Q.30 What is your gender?

	<b>Total</b>
Male .....	53
Female .....	47
(ref:GENDER)	