Interviews: 1000 adults, including 200 cell phone only respondents

Study #11631

NBC News/Wall Street Journal Survey

48 Male 52 Female

Date: December 7-11, 2011

Please note: all results are shown as	percentages unless otherwise stated.

Unless otherwise noted by a "+", all previous data shown reflects responses among all adults.

(ASK ONLY OF SAMPLE TYPE 2--CELL PHONE ONLY RESPONDENTS.)

Q1 Do you have a landline in addition to your cell phone, or is your cell phone the only telephone you have?

Have a landline	-	TERMINATE
Cell phone is only telephone	100	CONTINUE
Not sure	-	TERMINATE

Q2a For statistical purposes only, would you please tell me how old you are? (IF "REFUSED," ASK:) Well, would you tell me which age group you belong to? (READ LIST.)

18-24	10
25-29	9
30-34	8
35-39	8
40-44	11
45-49	8
50-54	10
55-59	10
60-64	11
65-69	5
70-74	3
75 and over	7
Not sure/refused	-

Q2b To ensure that we have a representative sample, would you please tell me whether you are from a Hispanic or Spanish-speaking background?

Yes, Hispanic	11
No, not Hispanic	89
Not sure/refused	-

Q2c And again, for statistical purposes only, what is your race--white, black, Asian, or something else?

White	75
Black	11
Asian	2
Other	5
Hispanic (VOL)	6
Not sure/refused	1

Q3 All in all, do you think things in the nation are generally headed in the right direction, or do you feel things are off on the wrong track?

Headed in the right direction Off on the wrong track Mixed (VOL)	12/11 22 69 6 3	11/11 19 73 5 3	10/11 17 74 5 4	8/11 19 73 5 3	7/11 25 67 5 3	6/11 29 62 6 3	5/11 36 50 10 4	4/11 28 63 6 3	9/01 72 11 11 6	Low 10/17- 20/08+ 12 78 7
				2/11 31 60 6 3	1/11 35 56 5 4	12/10 28 63 6 3	11/10 32 58 6 4	10/28- 30/10+ 31 60 5 4	10/14- 18/10+ 32 59 6 3	9/10 32 59 5 4
				8/26- 30/10 30 61 6 3	8/5- <u>9/10</u> 32 58 6 4	6/10 29 62 5 4	5/6- 11/10 34 56 6 4	3/10 33 59 5 3	1/23 - 25/10 32 58 7 3	1/10- 14/10 34 54 10 2
			12/09 33 55 10 2	10/09 36 52 9 3	9/09 39 48 10 3	7/09 39 49 9 3	6/09 42 46 9 3	4/09 43 43 10 4	2/09 41 44 9 6	1/09 26 59 9 6

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Q4 In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job Barack Obama is doing as president?

Approve Disapprove Not sure	12/11 46 48 6	11/11 44 51 5	10/11 44 51 5	8/11 44 51 5	7/11 47 48 5	6/11 49 46 5	5/11 52 41 7	4/11 49 45 6	2/11 48 46 6	High 4/09 61 30 9	Low 8/11 44 51 5
	1/11 53 41 6	12/10 45 48 7	11/10 47 47 6	10/28- 30/10+ 45 50 5	10/14- 18/10+ 47 49 4	9/10 46 49 5	8/26- 30/10 45 49 6	8/5- <u>9/10</u> 47 48 5	6/10 45 48 7	5/20- <u>23/10</u> 48 45 7	5/6- 11/10 50 44 6
	3/10 48 47 5	1/23- 25/10 50 44 6	1/10- 14/10 48 43 9	12/09 47 46 7	10/09 51 42 7	<u>9/09</u> 51 41 8	<u>8/09</u> 51 40 9	7/09 53 40 7	6/09 56 34 10	4/09 61 30 9	2/09 60 26 14

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Q5 Do you generally approve or disapprove of the job Barack Obama is doing in handling the economy?

Approve Disapprove Not sure	12/11 39 57 4	11/11 40 57 3	10/11 39 57 4	8/11 37 59 4	7/11 43 54 3	<u>6/11</u> 41 54 5	5/11 37 58 5	4/11 45 52 3	High 2/09 56 31 13	Low <u>8/11</u> 37 59 4
	2/11 46 49 5	1/11 45 50 5	12/10 42 54 4	11/10 42 54 4	10/14- 18/10+ 43 53 4	9/10 42 54 4	8/26- 30/10 39 56 5	8/5- <u>9/10</u> 44 52 4	6/10 46 50 4	5/6- 11/10 48 46 6
	3/10 47 50 3	1/23- 25/10 47 49 4	1/10- 14/10 43 49 8	12/09 42 51 7	10/09 47 46 7	9/09 50 42 8	7/09 49 44 7	6/09 51 38 11	4/09 55 37 8	2/09 56 31 13

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Q6 How would you rate the overall performance and accomplishments of this year's Congress--one of the best, above average, average, below average, or one of the worst?

One of the best	12/11 1 2 21 33 42	8/10 1 5 31 28 32 3	12/09* 1 6 32 24 34 3	7/09 2 11 40 21 23 3	10/06+ 1 4 37 31 25 2	7/05 1 6 47 32 11 3	6/00+ 2 9 58 22 7
TO Gale	10/99 2 11 54 21 10 2	7/99 1 12 53 25 7	12/97 2 11 56 22 6 3	12/95 7 18 33 24 16 2	10/94 1 6 46 28 16 3	10/91+ 1 5 45 32 14 3	10/90+ 1 7 39 32 19 2

^{*} Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

Q7 In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job that Republicans in Congress are doing?

	12/11*	7/11
Approve	26	25
Disapprove	69	67
Not sure	5	8

^{*} Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

Q8 In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job that Democrats in Congress are doing?

	<u>12/11</u> **	<u>7/11</u>
Approve	31	33
Disapprove	62	60
Not sure	7	7

^{**} Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

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Q9 What, if anything, most disappoints you about the current Congress? (IF ALL, THEN READ:) I know you said all of these disappoint you, but if you had to choose just one, which would it be? (RANDOMIZE)

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY VOTE WITH ENTHUSIAS	SM
There is lots of partisan disagreement with nothing getting done	28
Republican leadership is unwilling to compromise with the Democrats	17
Not enough is being done to fix the economy	13
They have not gone far enough in cutting federal spending	12
Special interests have too much control	10
President Obama is unwilling to compromise with the Republican leadership	6
They have gone too far in cutting critical government programs	5
All (VOL)	4
None (VOL)	1
Other (VOL)	3
Not sure	1

Q10 Now I'm going to read you the names of several public figures and groups and I'd like you to rate your feelings toward each one as very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative. If you don't know the name, please just say so. (RANDOMIZE EXCEPT BARACK OBAMA)

	Very <u>Positive</u>	Somewhat Positive	<u>Neutral</u>	Somewhat Negative	Very <u>Negative</u>	Don't Know Name/ Not Sure
Barack Obama			· ·			
December 2011	22	23	13	15	27	-
November 2011	26	19	15	13	27	-
October 2011	23	23	14	12	28	-
August 2011	24	20	12	14	30	-
June 2011	27	22	14	13	24	-
May 2011	33	21	14	13	18	1
April 2011	28	22	14	13	23	-
February 2011	28	21	15	15	20	1
January 2011	29	23	15	14	18	1
December 2010	25	23	14	14	24	-
November 2010	28	21	12	13	26	-
October 28-30, 2010+	29	18	12	15	27	-
October 14-18, 2010+	29	19	9	17	26	-
September 2010	29	18	12	14	27	-
August 26-30, 2010	26	20	12	14	27	1
August 5-9, 2010	27	19	13	14	27	-
June 2010	27	20	13	15	25	-
May 20-23, 2010	28	19	15	14	24	-
May 6-11, 2010	29	20	12	14	24	1
March 2010	31	19	11	14	24	1
January 23-25, 2010	29	23	14	14	20	-
January 10-14, 2010	29	23	12	16	19	1
December 2009	29	21	13	15	22	-
October 2009	36	20	11	12	21	-
September 2009	38	18	11	14	19	-
July 2009	37	18	10	14	20	1
June 2009	41	19	11	12	17	-
April 2009	45	19	12	10	13	1
February 2009	47	21	12	9	10	1
January 2009	43	23	17	8	6	3
December 2008	45	22	15	8	8	2
October 17-20, 2008+	37	19	10	10	23	1
October 4-5, 2008+	30	22	12	12	23	1
September 19-22, 2008+	29	19	15	14	22	1
September 6-8, 2008+	33	20	13	12	20	2
August 2008+	28	22	13	17	19	1
+ Results shown reflect responses among	g registered vot	ters.				

Barack Obama (cont'd)						Don't
, ,						Know
	Very	Somewhat		Somewhat	Very	Name/
	Positive	Positive	Neutral	Negative	<u>Negative</u>	Not Sure
July 2008+	27	21	16	11	23	2
June 2008+	25	23	17	11	22	2
April 2008+	23	23	16	17	20	1
March 2008+	24	25	18	16	16	1
January 2008	19	30	22	11	14	4
December 2007	17	29	22	14	12	6
November 2007	15	28	24	12	12	9
September 2007	15	27	23	13	12	10
July 2007	16	26	24	12	10	12
April 2007	19	26	25	8	6	16
March 2007	18	19	26	11	6	20
Barack Obama						
High						
February 2009	47	21	12	9	10	1
Presidential Term Low						
August 2011	24	20	12	14	30	-
All-time Obama Low						
October 28-30, 2006+	14	17	18	5	6	40
NBC-WSJ All-time	e Presidentia	al Tracking Hig	h/Low with	in Presidentia	al Term	
High						
March 1991						
(George H.W. Bush)	50	30	9	6	4	1
Low						
October 17-20, 2008+						
(George W. Bush)	11	18	11	15	45	-

Q10 (cont'd)	Very <u>Positive</u>	Somewhat <u>Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	Somewhat <u>Negative</u>	Very <u>Negative</u>	Don't Know Name/ <u>Not Sure</u>
The Democratic Party						
December 2011	9	23	25	23	19	1
November 2011	15	25	22	18	19	1
October 2011	12	25	19	20	22	2
August 2011	11	22	21	19	25	2
June 2011	13	25	21	19	20	2
May 2011	15	26	22	18	17	2
April 2011	12	26	22	18	21	1
January 2011	15	24	25	19	16	1
December 2010	9	28	20	18	23	2
November 2010	14	26	18	18	23	1
October 28-30, 2010+	16	23	17	19	23	2
October 14-18, 2010+	14	24	16	19	26	1
September 2010	15	22	20	20	22	1
August 26-30, 2010	11	25	19	19	24	2
August 5-9, 2010	11	22	22	18	26	1
June 2010	11	24	21	20	24	-
May 20-23, 2010	15	26	18	18	22	1
May 6-11, 2010	11	26	19	18	24	2
March 2010	9	28	19	19	24	1
January 23-25, 2010	14	25 25	22	17	21	1
January 10-14, 2010	11	27 27	20	18	23	1
December 2009	10	25	19	19	26	1
October 2009	14	28 28	20		22	2
	14	26 27	18	14 17	22	2
September 2009						
July 2009	13	29	19 16	17 16	20	2 2
June 2009	19	26	16	16	21	
April 2009	17	28	19	15	19	2
February 2009	20 17	29	18 22	14	17	2
December 2008		32		15 47	13	1
October 17-20, 2008+	16	23	22	17	21	1
October 4-5, 2008+	15	26	20	18	19	2
September 19-22, 2008+	19	23	20	16	20	2
September 6-8, 2008+	24	25	17	19	14	1
August 2008+	17	26	21	16	19	1
July 2008+	15	28	18	18	19	2
June 2008+	16	27	24	13	19	1
April 2008+	17	27	22	15	17	2
March 7-10, 2008+	20	25	18	16	19	2
January 2008	22	25	19	18	15	1
November 2007	12	27	24	18	17	2
September 2007	8	26	27	22	16	1
July 2007	15	27	21	20	15	2
January 2007	13	29	26	16	14	2
October 28-30, 2006+	14	25	25	18	17	1
July 2006	7	25	27	22	17	2
January 2006	11	25	28	20	15	1
May 2005	12	26	26	20	14	2
February 2005	14	28	28	16	13	1
October 2004+	17	25	22	16	19	1
January 2002	16	33	23	15	11	2
January 1998	13	30	30	16	9	2
January 1994	11	29	29	17	11	3
High						
January 2000	20	30	23	15	10	2
Low	_					_
July 2006	7	25	27	22	17	2

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Q10 (cont'd)	Very	Somewhat	Noutral	Somewhat	Very	Don't Know Name/
The Denublican Dorty	<u>Positive</u>	<u>Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Negative</u>	<u>Negative</u>	Not Sure
The Republican Party	0	04	00	00	05	0
December 2011	6	21	23	23	25	2
November 2011	9	21	23	18	26	3
October 2011	11	22	21	18	26	2
August 2011	8	24	21	23	23	1
June 2011	8	22	24	23	21	2
May 2011	8	24	22	21	23	2
April 2011	7	24	24	22	22	1
January 2011	7	27	24	21	19	2
December 2010	11	27	23	17	20	2
November 2010	11	23	24	20	19	3
October 28-30, 2010+	12	22	24	18	23	1
October 14-18, 2010+	8	23	25	19	23	2
September 2010	8	23	25	21	22	1
August 26-30, 2010	7	23	25	22	21	2
August 5-9, 2010	6	18	28	24	22	2
June 2010	6	24	26	23	19	2
May 20-23, 2010	10	23	26	21	19	1
May 6-11, 2010	8	22	26	22	20	2
March 2010	6	25	24	20	23	2
January 23-25, 2010	7	25 25	27	18	20	3
January 10-14, 2010	7	23	27	24	18	1
December 2009	5	23	27	24	19	2
October 2009		23 19	27 27	23	23	2
	6					2
September 2009	5	23	27	22	21	
July 2009	9	19	29	21	20	2
June 2009	6	19	29	23	21	2
April 2009	7	22	25	22	22	2
February 2009	7	19	24	25	22	3
December 2008	7	20	20	26	26	1
October 17-20, 2008+	11	21	18	23	25	2
October 4-5, 2008+	12	23	17	21	26	1
September 19-22, 2008+	13	21	18	19	28	1
September 6-8, 2008+	18	22	15	18	25	2
August 2008+	10	25	22	19	23	1
July 2008+	8	23	20	22	26	1
June 2008+	7	21	24	22	25	1
April 2008+	8	19	23	22	26	2
March 7-10, 2008+	10	24	15	21	28	2
January 2008	13	21	26	19	18	3
November 2007	8	24	24	20	22	2
September 2007	8	23	20	27	20	2
July 2007	8	25	19	23	23	2
January 2007	10	23	21	23	21	2
Oct 28-30, 2006+	15	20	16	20	28	1
July 2006	11	22	18	21	25	3
January 2006	13	24	20	20	22	1
May 2005	13	27	17	19	22	2
February 2005	17	27	19	18	18	1
October 2004+	20	24	18	15	22	1
January 2002	20	32	24	12	9	3
January 1998	9	29	30	18	12	2
January 1994	12	30	29	16	9	4
High						
December 2001	21	36	18	13	9	3
Low August 5-9, 2010	6	18	28	24	22	2
+ Results shown reflect responses amount			20	∠ 4		۷

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Q10 (cont'd)	Very Positive	Somewhat Positive	Neutral	Somewhat Negative	Very <u>Negative</u>	Don't Know Name/ Not Sure
The Tea Party Movement	FOSILIVE	<u>FOSITIVE</u>	INCUITAL	<u>ivegative</u>	<u>ivegative</u>	<u>ivot Sure</u>
December 2011	10	17	21	15	28	9
November 2011	12	15	21	14	30	8
October 2011	12	16	21	12	29	10
August 2011	11	17	20	14	29	9
June 2011	13	15	20	14	27	11
April 2011	13	16	20	14	30	7
January 2011	13	16	22	14	24	, 11
December 2010	15	18	20	14	23	10
November 2010	14	16	21	13	25 25	11
October 28-30, 2010+	14	18	18	12	28	10
	14	16	20	11	27	12
October 14-18, 2010+	15	15	20	13	23	13
September 2010		_		12		
August 26-30, 2010	12	16	19		24	17
August 5-9, 2010	14	16	23	12	22	13
June 2010	15	19	21	12	19	14
May 6-11, 2010	16	15	21	10	20	18
March 2010	13	16	22	10	18	21
January 23-25, 2010	14	14	20	6	15	31
The Occupy Wall Street						
Movement	10	17	10	4.4	20	10
December 2011	10	17	19	14	30	10
November 2011	16	16	20	12	23	13
Mitt Romney	4	20	20	04	4.4	4.4
December 2011	4	20	30	21	11	14
November 2011	5	21	32	17	13	12
October 2011	6	21	30	17	12	14
August 2011	5	19	32	18	11	15
June 2011	7	20	30	16	10	17
February 2011	6	19	30	13	12	20
December 9-13, 2010	10	18	30	10	10	22
September 2010	6	15	29	20	10	20
March 2010	7	20	29	16	9	19
July 2009	10	18	30	12	8	22
April 2008+	9	19	31	17	11	13
January 2008	7	21	24	19	13	16
December 2007	9	16	26	16	11	22
November 2007	4	18	27	17	12	22
September 2007	6	18	26	14	11	25
June 2007	5	16	23	13	7	36
March 2007	4	11	24	11	6	44
December 2006	3	8	22	7	4	56

Q10 (cont'd)	Very <u>Positive</u>	Somewhat Positive	Neutral	Somewhat Negative	Very <u>Negative</u>	Don't Know Name/ Not Sure
Newt Gingrich	1 0311110	1 0311110	rtcattat	regative	regative	<u>INOL GUIC</u>
December 2011	6	18	23	17	23	13
June 2011	3	13	23	21	27	13
April 2011	6	18	24	15	22	15
September 2010	9	15	27	16	19	14
December 2006	9	17	23	15	20	16
June 2006	6	12	29	13	20	20
October 1998+	8	19	24	19	27	3
September 1998	9	24	25	18	20	4
	7	18	28	18	23	6
July 1998 June 1998	7	18	20 27	21	23	4
	, 5	18	28	20	23 23	6
April 1998		_	_	20 18		
February 1998	6	20	31	_	19 25	6
January 1998	6	17	26	21	25	5
December 1997	7	17	24	18	29	5
October 1997	4	18	24	21	27	6
September 1997	5	14	20	21	33	7
July 1997	4	14	22	25	29	6
June 1997	6	15	18	25	30	6
April 1997	6	15	21	22	31	5
March 1997	5	15	19	23	33	5
January 1997	6	16	18	24	31	5
December 1996	8	13	22	21	29	7
October 1996+	9	12	17	17	39	6
September 1996+	8	19	16	18	33	6
August 2-6, 1996+	8	17	19	21	30	5
June 1996+	7	15	21	19	32	6
May 1996+	7	15	18	21	33	6
March 1996	6	16	21	18	33	6
January 1996	7	16	17	20	34	6
December 1995	9	18	16	18	33	6
October 1995	9	19	21	17	26	8
September 1995	8	19	19	16	27	11
July 1995	11	18	19	17	25	10
June 1995	10	17	18	17	21	17
April 21-25, 1995	11	20	18	13	23	15
April 3-4, 1995	9	18	20	14	25	14
March 1995	10	17	17	17	24	15
January 1995	9	19	20	13	18	21
December 1994	6	13	17	13	19	32
October 1994	3	8	14	7	9	59
October 1990+	1	8	10	6	6	69
Ron Paul						
December 2011	5	14	32	14	10	25
November 2011	5	14	31	16	12	22
October 2011	5	13	29	16	13	24
January 2008	4	11	26	11	14	34
November 2007	3	8	19	6	5	59
July 2007	2	5	14	4	1	74
+ Results shown reflect responses amount	ng registered v	oters.				

SUMMARY TABLE OF IMAGES - BY D/S (POSITIVE - NEGATIVE)

	TOTAL POSITIVE	TOTAL NEGATIVE	D/S
Barack Obama	45	42	3
Ron Paul	19	24	-5
Mitt Romney	24	32	-8
The Democratic Party	32	42	-10
The Tea Party Movement	27	43	-16
Newt Gingrich	24	40	-16
The Occupy Wall Street Movement	27	44	-17
The Republican Party	27	48	-21

Republican Primary Candidate Images Among Republican Primary Voters (N=271)

						Don't Know
	Very	Somewhat		Somewhat	Very	Name/
	<u>Positive</u>	<u>Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Negative</u>	<u>Negative</u>	Not Sure
Mitt Romney						
December 2011^	9	34	30	16	5	6
November 2011^	10	36	33	11	6	4
October 2011^	16	35	27	11	5	6
August 2011^	10	36	32	11	6	5
June 2011^	18	33	29	8	5	7
Newt Gingrich						
December 2011^	17	35	23	12	9	4
October 2011^	17	32	23	15	8	5
June 2011^	6	26	28	22	12	6
April 2011^	17	33	29	10	3	8
Ron Paul						
December 2011^	8	20	35	19	8	10
November 2011^	9	17	35	18	11	11
October 2011^	11	20	32	18	8	11

[^] Results shown reflect responses among registered voters who say they would vote in the Republican Primary

Even though it is a long way off, I'd like to ask you some questions about the 2012 elections...

Q11 Compared with previous elections, are you more enthusiastic about voting than usual, or less enthusiastic?

	<u>12/11</u> +	<u>11/11</u> +	<u>10/11</u> +
More enthusiastic	43	47	50
Less enthusiastic	39	38	38
Same (VOL)	17	13	11
Not sure	1	2	1

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Q12 What is your preference for the outcome of next year's congressional elections -- (ROTATE:) a Congress controlled by Republicans or a Congress controlled by Democrats?

Republican-controlled Congress Democrat-controlled Congress Not sure	12/11+ 43 45 12	11/11+ 43 46 11	10/11+ 41 45 14	8/11+ 47 41 12	6/11+ 44 44 12	10/10+ 44 46 10	9/10+ 44 44 12	8/26- 30/10+ 43 43 14	8/5- <u>9/10</u> + 42 43 15	6/10+ 45 43 12
			5/20- 23/10+ 44 43 13	5/6- 11/10+ 44 44 12	3/10+ 42 45 13	1/23- 25/10+ 42 44 14	1/10- 14/10+ 41 41 18	12/09+ 41 43 16	10/09+ 38 46 16	9/09+ 40 43 17
			7/09+ 39 46 15	4/09+ 39 48 13	11/08+ 36 48 16	10/08+ 36 49 15	9/08+ 37 50 13	8/08+ 36 47 17	7/08+ 36 49 15	6/08+ 33 52 15
		4/08+ 34 49 17	3/08+ 35 49 16	11/07+ 37 46 17	9/07+ 35 47 18	10/06+ 37 52 11	9/06+ 39 48 13	7/06+ 38 48 14	6/06+ 38 49 13	4/06+ 39 45 16
		3/06+ 37 50 13	1/06+ 38 47 15	12/05+ 38 46 16	11/05+ 37 48 15	10/05+ 39 48 13	7/05+ 40 45 15	5/05+ 40 47 13	10/04+ 43 44 13	9/04+ 42 46 12
		6/04+ 42 44 14	<u>5/04</u> + 41 44 15	3/04+ 42 45 13	1/04 42 43 15	12/13/03 42 42 42 16	10/02+ 43 42 15	9/02 42 42 16	7/02 43 41 16	6/02 42 41 17
		1/02 44 40 16	12/01 42 40 18	12/99 40 44 16	10/99 39 41 20	7/99 39 43 18	6/99 42 41 17	4/99 41 40 19	3/99 37 43 20	10/98+ 41 43 16
		9/98 40 39 21	<u>7/98</u> 41 40 19	6/98 39 40 21	2/98 41 37 22	1/98 40 42 18	12/97 41 37 22	9/97 41 39 20	7/97 45 39 16	4/97 44 38 18

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Q13 If President Obama runs for re-election in the year 2012, do you think you will probably vote for President Obama or probably vote for the Republican candidate?

Probably vote for President Obama	45 2	11/11+ 45 42 2 6 5	10/11+ 44 42 2 7 5	8/11+ 40 44 3 9 4	7/11+ 42 39 4 10 5
		6/11+ 45 40 2 11	5/11+ 45 30 4 16 5	4/11+ 43 38 3 11	2/11+ 45 40 3 9

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

(Q14a-Q14c ROTATED)

Q14a And, if the next election for president were held today, and (ROTATE) Mitt Romney were the Republican candidate and Barack Obama were the Democratic candidate, for whom would you vote?

	12/11+	<u>11/11</u> +	<u>10/11</u> +	<u>8/11</u> +	6/11+	2/11+
Mitt Romney	45	43	44	45	43	40
Barack Obama	47	49	46	46	49	49
Depends (VOL)	1	1	1	2	1	-
Neither/other (VOL)	4	4	5	4	3	6
Not sure	3	3	4	3	4	5
			<u>12/10</u>	<u>1/08</u>	<u>11/07</u>	9/07
			40	35	36	34
			47	48	48	51
			1	2	1	1
			6	7	6	7
			6	8	9	7

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Q14b And, if the next election for president were held today, and (ROTATE) Newt Gingrich were the Republican candidate and Barack Obama were the Democratic candidate, for whom would you vote?

	<u> 12/11</u> +	<u>1/11</u> +
Newt Gingrich	40	37
Barack Obama	51	55
Depends (VOL)	1	1
Neither/other (VOL)	5	4
Not sure	3	3
+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.		<u>-</u> '

Q14c And, if the next election for president were held today, and (ROTATE) Ron Paul were the Republican candidate and Barack Obama were the Democratic candidate, for whom would you vote? +

Ron Paul	37
Barack Obama	50
Depends (VOL)	2
Neither/other (VOL)	7
Not sure	4

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Now, if you were voting today in the November 2012 Presidential Election and ...

Q14d If (READ ITEM) were the (Republican/Democratic) nominee, would you vote for him with enthusiasm, with some reservations, only because he is the (Republican/Democratic) nominee, or would you not vote for him? (ROTATE)

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY VOTE WITH ENTHUSIASM

	Vote With Enthusiasm	Vote With Some Reservations	Vote Only because is Nominee	Not <u>Vote For</u>	Not <u>Sure</u>
Barack Obama					
December 2011+	25	22	6	45	2
November 2011+	28	22	5	44	1
Newt Gingrich					
December 2011+ Mitt Romney	14	25	8	50	3
December 2011+	12	30	11	44	3
November 2011+	11	30	11	47	1

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Q15 Which one of these three statements comes closest to your point of view?+

Statement A: I am almost certain to vote for Barack Obama no matter whom the Republicans nominate for president.

Statement B: I am almost certain to vote against Barack Obama no matter whom the Republicans decide to nominate.

Statement C: I may vote for or against Barack Obama depending upon whom the Republicans nominate for president.

A: Certain to vote for Obama	34
B: Certain to vote against Obama	37
C: May vote either way depending on nominee	27
Not sure	2
5 1 1 0 1	

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Q16 If Barack Obama were reelected, do you think that in his second term as president he would improve his performance a great deal, improve his performance somewhat, be about the same, or decline in his performance?

Improve his performance a great deal	19
Improve his performance somewhat	27
Be about the same	28
Decline in his performance	24
Not sure	2

Now, thinking about something else...

Which of the following statements is closest to your own view of the two-party system today, in terms of how well it defines issues and provides choices for voters?

	<u> 12/11</u>	<u>8/11</u>	<u>5/10</u>	<u>12/07</u>	<u>12/97</u>	<u>9/95</u>
The two-party system works fairly well	12	13	15	20	15	15
The two-party system has real problems, but with						
some improvements it can still work well	51	52	52	47	55	54
The two-party system is seriously broken, and						
the country needs a third party	34	34	31	29	27	28
Not sure	3	1	2	4	3	3

Now, moving on...

When it comes to (READ ITEM) which party do you think would do a better job--the Democratic Party, the Republican Party, or both about the same? If you think that neither would do a good job, please just say so. (RANDOMIZE)

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO GIVE THE ADVANTAGE TO THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Party ... Democratic Republican Roth About Not

	Party	Democratic	Republican	Both About		Not
	<u>Advantage</u>	<u>Party</u>	Party	The Same	Neither	<u>Sure</u>
Looking out for the middle						
class						
December 2011	D-20	44	24	12	17	3
October 1996	D-20	47	27	7	13	6
December 1995	D-19	43	24	10	19	4
October 1994	D-19	37	28	11	20	4
October 1993	D-20	42	22	22	12	2
January 1992+	D-22	37	15	27	16	5
October 1991+	D-28	47	19	11	16	7
October 1990+	D-29	47	18	16	14	5
November 1989+	D-23	44	21	16	12	7
Dealing with health care						
December 2011	D-13	39	26	15	18	2
April 2011	D-17	42	25	14	18	1
October 14-18, 2010+	D-10	42	32	10	15	1
August 5-9, 2010+	D-10	40	30	12	16	2
March 2010	D-9	37	28	15	19	1
July 2009	D-17	40	23	15	19	3
July 2008+	D-31	49	18	12	16	5
January 2008	D-36	51	15	17	12	5
July 2007	D-36	49	13	14	21	3
March 2006	D-31	43	12	21	19	5
November 2005	D-26	43	17	17	18	5
December 2004	D-18	39	21	23	11	6
January 2004	D-26	48	22	18	10	2
December 13, 2003	D-18	43	25	14	13	6
October 2002+	D-25	46	21	19	11	3
June 2002	D-22	38	16	23	18	5
June 2001	D-21	41	20	21	12	6
December 1999	D-26	43	17	21	13	6
March 1999	D-24	42	18	23	12	5
October 1998+	D-20	41	21	26	8	4
September 1998	D-20	40	20	24	13	3
June 1998	D-13	25	12	34	23	6
May 1996	D-20	42	22	16	17	3
December 1995	D-21	43	22	13	16	6
October 1994	D-12	37	25	12	20	6
July 1994	D-16	37	21	18	18	6
May 1994	D-9	26	17	38	15	4
October 1993	D-28	44	16	16	18	6
March 1993	D-48	57	9	17	12	5
July 1992+	D-34	44	10	21	19	6
April 1992+	D-36	48	12	17	18	5
October 1991+	D-34	46	12	18	16	8
October 1991	D-23	39	16	24	12	9

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^{*} Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

^{**} Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

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	Party	Democratic	Republican	Both About		Not
	<u>Advantage</u>	<u>Party</u>	<u>Party</u>	The Same	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Sure</u>
Dealing with Medicare		:				
December 2011	D-13	37	24	16	17	6
April 2011	D-13	35	22	19	22	2
June 2001	D-24	44	20	20	8	8
December 1999	D-24	42	18	21	12	7
March 1999	D-23	41	18	23	10	8
September 1997	D-18	34	16	25	20	5
October 1996	D-14	34	20	24	16	6
May 1996+	D-19	45	26	12	11	6
December 1995	D-20	44	24	13	13	6
June 1995	D-11	33	22	18	19	8
Dealing with taxes						
December 2011	R-2	31	33	16	17	3
April 2011	R-2	30	32	17	20	1
October 14-18, 2010+	R-6	31	37	13	15	4
August 5-9, 2010+	R-8	27	35	16	19	3
March 2010	R-11	25	36	19	18	2
July 2009	R-7	28	35	17	16	4
July 2008+	D-1	37	36	8	15	4
January 2008	D-5	36	31	17	12	4
July 2007	D-9	36	27	14	18	5
March 2006	D-9	35	26	21	15	3
November 2005	D-10	40	30	14	12	4
January 2004	R-2	35	37	16	10	2
December 13, 2003	R-3	34	37	12	9	9
October 2002+	R-5	31	36	17	11	5
June 2002	R-6	27	33	20	15	5
June 2001	R-8	28	36	20	11	5
December 1999	R-3	30	33	19	13	5
March 1999	R-6	29	35	20	12	4
September 1997	R-5	26	31	20	16	7
October 1998+	-	32	32	21	10	5
September 1998	R-6	29	35	22	11	3
October 1996	R-5	30	35	15	13	7
May 1996+	R-9	25	34	17	19	5
December 1995	R-8	26	34	14	20	6
June 1995	R-13	22	35	15	22	6
November 1994	R-13	23	36	16	17	8
October 1994	R-15	23	38	17	18	4
October 1993	R-11	23	34	16	23	4

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	Party	Democratic	Republican	Both About		Not
	<u>Advantage</u>	<u>Party</u>	<u>Party</u>	The Same	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Sure</u>
Dealing with the economy						
December 2011	R-3	28	31	18	20	3
April 2011	-	29	29	20	20	2
October 14-18, 2010+	R-1	35	36	14	14	1
August 5-9, 2010+	R-2	32	34	16	17	2
March 2010	-	31	31	18	18	2
July 2009	D-6	35	29	19	14	3
July 2008+	D-16	41	25	14	14	6
January 2008	D-18	43	25	21	8	3
July 2007	D-15	41	26	17	12	4
October 13-16, 2006+	D-13	43	30	17	7	3
September 2006+	D-12	40	28	17	10	5
March 2006	D-12	39	27	20	11	3
November 2005	D-14	39	25	17	14	5
December 2004	D-9	39	30	20	7	4
July 2004+	D-8	40	32	19	7	2
January 2004+	R-2	36	38	15	8	2
December 13, 2003	R-1	37	38	14	7	5
October 2002+	D-6	36	30	21	9	4
June 2002	D-1	32	31	24	9	4
June 2001	D-6	37	31	20	6	6
December 1999	D-3	34	31	24	7	4
March 1999	D-6	35	29	26	6	4
September 1998	-	31	31	29	6	3
September 1997	R-9	25	34	26	9	6
October 1996	D-4	36	32	15	10	7
May 1996+	R-4	26	30	27	14	3
December 1995	R-8	22	30	27	17	4
June 1995	R-12	17	29	29	23	2
October 1994	R-8	22	30	28	16	4
July 1994	R-11	18	29	32	17	4
June 1994	R-5	21	26	39	12	2
October 1993	R-5	22	27	20	28	3
March 1993	D-16	34	18	34	11	3
July 1992+	D-10	<u> </u>	18	35	18	3
May 1992	D-6	29	23	26	17	5
January 1992+	D-6 D-5	28	23	33	12	4
October 1991+	R-1	26 27	28	26	14	5
Dealing with Afghanistan	IX-1	1 Z1	20	20	14	5
	R-3	23	26	26	20	5
December 2011*	_			26 26		
April 2011	R-5	19	24	26 10	28	3
October 14-18, 2010+	D-1	29	28	19	18	6
August 5-9, 2010+	R-9	20	29	24	22	5
July 2009	R-6	24	30	22	16	8
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	Party	Democratic	Republican	Both About		Not
	<u>Advantage</u>	<u>Party</u>	Party	The Same	Neither	Sure
Reducing the federal deficit						
December 2011	R-11	23	34	18	22	3
April 2011	R-12	21	33	19	25	2
October 14-18, 2010+	R-6	28	34	13	21	4
August 5-9, 2010+	R-9	24	33	15	25	3
March 2010	R-6	24	30	18	25	3
July 2009	R-6	25	31	18	22	4
January 2008	D-22	42	20	17	15	6
July 2007	D-25	43	18	14	21	4
November 2005	D-19	38	19	15	22	6
January 2004	D-11	37	26	18	15	4
December 13, 2003	D-13	38	25	12	16	10
September 1997	R-8	23	31	22	18	6
October 1996	R-3	29	32	11	19	9
June 1995	R-21	16	37	17	26	4
October 1993	D-4	27	23	27	18	5
March 1993	D-23	39	16	23	18	4
April 1992+	D-1	20	19	18	37	6
October 1991+	R-5	24	29	16	24	7
October 1990+	R-2	25	27	19	23	6
Dealing with terrorism						
December 2011**	R-13	21	34	32	9	4
August 2010	R-19	20	39	25	13	3
March 2010	R-14	22	36	25	15	2
July 2009	R-8	26	34	25	11	4
July 2008+	R-11	29	40	16	10	5
January 2008	R-1	30	31	27	8	4
July 2007	-	29	29	20	18	4
October 13-16, 2006+	R-10	25	35	25	11	4
September 8-11, 2006+	R-14	24	38	21	12	5
November 2005	R-9	26	35	23	11	5
December 2004	R-18	24	42	22	7	5
January 2004	R-24	23	46	22	6	3
December 13, 2003	R-26	20	46	19	9	5
October 2002+	R-36	13	49	27	6	5

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

(ROTATE Q19-Q20)

Q19 Let me read you a number of things that people have said are accomplishments of the Obama administration. Which ONE of these would you say is the most positive accomplishment of the Obama administration? (RANDOMIZE)

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY HIGHEST PERCENTAGE	
Killing Osama bin Laden	27
Bringing all the troops home from Iraq	25
Preventing another economic depression	13
Passing the health care law	11
Improving America's image around the world abroad	
Saving the American automobile industry	7
None of these (VOL)	8
All (VOL)	1

Q20 Let me read you a number of things that people have said are failures of the Obama administration—which ONE of these would you say is the biggest failure of the Obama administration? (RANDOMIZE)

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY HIGHEST PERCENTAGE	
Unable to improve economic conditions	24
Increasing government spending	18
Not providing strong leadership	
Passing the health care law	
Keeping American troops in Afghanistan	
Placing too much regulation on business	
None of these (VOL)	
ALL (VOL)	

Q21 Today the United States is generally considered to be the world's leading nation. Twenty years from now, which country do you think will be the leader? (READ LIST. ROTATE. ACCEPT ONLY ONE RESPONSE.)

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10/11# 1/11 10/00 =/0=1	0 /0 =1

	<u>12/11</u> *	<u>1/11</u>	<u>12/09</u>	<u>5/97</u> 1	3/95 ¹
The United States	39	35	37	56	54
China	35	38	39	9	3
No country will be the leader	14	14	11	16	26
Japan	4	4	2	10	6
India	2	1	2	NA	NA
Russia	1	1	1	1	1
The European Union ²	1	3	5	4	6
Not sure	2	4	3	4	4

¹Comparative data comes from a survey conducted by Hart-Teeter for WSJ/Nikkei.

Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as (ROTATE:) a Democrat, a Republican, an independent, or something else? (IF "DEMOCRAT" OR "REPUBLICAN," ASK:) Would you call yourself a strong (Democrat/Republican) or not a very strong (Democrat/Republican)? (IF "NOT SURE," CODE AS "NOT VERY STRONG DEMOCRAT/REPUBLICAN.") (IF "INDEPENDENT," ASK:) Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican Party, closer to the Democratic Party, or do you think of yourself as strictly independent? (IF "NOT SURE," CODE AS "STRICTLY INDEPENDENT.")

Strong Democrat	19
Not very strong Democrat	11
Independent/lean Democrat	14
Strictly Independent	16
Independent/lean Republican	13
Not very strong Republican	10
Strong Republican	14
Other (VOL)	2
Not sure	1

²Prior to December 2009, the item was phrased, "European nations."

^{*} Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

Now, thinking about something else...

Q23 Do you consider yourself a supporter of the Tea Party Movement?

Yes No Depends (VOL) Not sure	12/11+	11/11+	10/11+	8/11+	6/11+	5/11+	4/11+
	27	25	26	27	26	26	25
	65	69	64	62	63	62	67
	3	2	3	4	3	2	3
	5	4	7	7	8	10	5
	2/11+ 29 61 3 7	1/11+ 27 62 3 8	12/10+ 29 61 3 7	11/10+ 30 59 4 7	10/28- 30/10+ 28 61 3 8	10/14- 18/10+ 30 59 2 10	9/10+ 28 61 3 8

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters

ASK ONLY RESPONDENTS WHO SUPPORT THE TEA PARTY (Q23:1) AND ARE REPUBLICAN (Q22:5-7).

Q24 Which better describes you, (ROTATE:) a supporter of the Tea Party Movement or a Republican?

	All Reg <u>Voters</u> +	GOP and Tea Party Supporters
Supporter of the Tea Party Movement	10	48
Republican	9	46
Both (VOL)	1	3
Not sure	1	3
Not Republican and Tea Party Supporters + Results shown reflect responses among registered voters	79	n/a

Q25 Do you consider yourself a supporter of the Occupy Wall Street Movement?

	All Adults		
	<u>12/11</u> <u>11/11</u>		
Yes	25	28	
No	67	63	
Depends (VOL)	2	2	
Not sure	6	7	

	Registered Voters		
	12/11+ 11/11+		
Yes	24	29	
No	68	62	
Depends (VOL)	2	2	
Not sure	6	7	

Q26 If there were a presidential primary election in your state, would you vote in the Republican primary, the Democratic primary, or would you wait to vote in the general election?

	<u>12/11</u> +	<u>11/11</u> +	<u>10/11</u> +	<u>8/11</u> +	<u>7/11</u> +	<u>6/11</u> +	<u>4/11</u> +
Vote in the Republican primary	33	30	30	32	28	29	28
Vote in the Democratic primary	26	30	26	27	27	32	31
Wait until the general election	38	38	39	39	42	34	36
Neither/other (VOL)	1	1	2	1	1	2	2
Not sure	2	1	3	1	2	3	3

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters

(ASK ONLY OF REG VOTERS (F1a:1) WHO SAY THEY WOULD VOTE IN THE REPUBLICAN PRIMARY Q26:1)

Let me read you a list of people who might seek the 2012 Republican nomination for president. If you were voting today in the 2012 Republican primary for president, which **one** of the following candidates would you favor? (READ LIST. RANDOMIZE. IF "NOT SURE," ASK:) Well, which way do you lean? (ACCEPT ONLY ONE ANSWER.)(IF CHOICE, THEN ASK:) And, which candidate would be your second choice?^

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	<u>Choice</u>	<u>Choice</u>	Combined
Newt Gingrich	40	17	57
Mitt Romney	23	26	49
Ron Paul	9	13	22
Michele Bachmann	8	11	19
Rick Perry	6	10	16
Jon Huntsman	5	6	11
Rick Santorum	3	8	11
Other (VOL)	-	-	-
None (VOL)	1	3	4
Not sure	5	1	6

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_	<u>11/11</u> ^	<u>10/11</u> ^	<u>8/11</u> ^	<u>7/11</u> ^		
Mitt Romney	28	23	23	30		
Herman Cain	27	27	5	5		
Newt Gingrich	13	8	5	8		
Ron Paul	10	11	9	9		
Rick Perry	10	16	38	11		
Michele Bachmann	4	5	8	16		
Rick Santorum	2	1	3	3		
Jon Huntsman	-	3	2	2		
Tim Pawlenty	NA	NA	NA	2		
Other (VOL)	-	-	-	2		
None (VOL)	1	1	2	2		
Not sure	4	5	5	10		
		2 nd Ch	oice			
	<u>11/11</u> ^	10/11^	8/11^	7/11^		
Mitt Romney	20	21	18	19		
Herman Cain	19	18	10	8		
Newt Gingrich	14	13	9	6		
Rick Perry	12	12	19	9		
Michele Bachmann	10	10	17	15		
Ron Paul	10	6	5	9		
Rick Santorum	3	3	4	3		
Jon Huntsman	2	5	2	3		
Tim Pawlenty	NA	NA	NA	4		
Other (VOL)	1	-	2	1		
None (VOL)	2	4	2	6		
Not sure	2	2	5	5		
		Combined	Choice			
Ŀ	11/11^	10/11^	8/11^	7/11^		
Mitt Romney	48	44	42	49		
Herman Cain	45	45	14	13		
Newt Gingrich	27	21	14	14		
Rick Perry	22	28	57	20		
Ron Paul	20	17	15	18		
Michele Bachmann	14	15	25	31		
Rick Santorum	5	5	7	6		
Jon Huntsman	3	8	4	5		
Tim Pawlenty	NA	NA	NA	6		
Other (VOL)	1	-	2	3		
None (VOL)	3	5	4	8		
Not sure	6	7	10	15		
^ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters						

[^] Results shown reflect responses among registered voters who say they would vote in the Republican Primary

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	<u>6/11</u> ^	<u>4/11</u> ^
Mitt Romney	30	21
Sarah Palin	14	10
Herman Cain	12	NA
Rick Perry	8	NA
Ron Paul	7	NA
Newt Gingrich	6	11
Tim Pawlenty	4	6
Rick Santorum	4	3
Michele Bachmann	3	5
Jon Huntsman	1	NA
Mike Huckabee	NA	17
Donald Trump	NA	17
Haley Barbour	NA	1
Other (VOL)	1	1
None (VOL)	2	4
Not sure	8	4

[^] Results shown reflect responses among registered voters who say they would vote in the Republican Primary

(ASK ONLY OF REG VOTERS (F1a:1) WHO SAY THEY WOULD VOTE IN THE REPUBLICAN PRIMARY Q26:1)

Q28a/b Now, if you were voting today in the 2012 Republican primary for president, and the candidates were (RANDOMIZE) Mitt Romney, Newt Gingrich, and Ron Paul which **one** would you favor? (IF "NOT SURE," ASK:) Well, which way do you lean? (ACCEPT ONLY ONE ANSWER.) (IF RON PAUL, THEN ASK:) And, which candidate would be your second choice, (ROTATE) Mitt Romney or Newt Gingrich?^

Mitt Romney	31
Newt Gingrich	53
Ron Paul	13
None (VOL)	1
Not Sure	2

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THIS TABLE SHOWS THE RECALCULATED 2-WAY BALLOT AMONG ALL REPUBLICAN PRIMARY VOTERS

Mitt Romney	36
Newt Gingrich	59
Neither (VOL)	3
Not Sure	2

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(ASK ONLY OF REG VOTERS (F1a:1) WHO SAY THEY WOULD VOTE IN THE REPUBLICAN PRIMARY Q26:1)

Thinking about their general approach to issues, do you consider [INSERT NAME] to be liberal, moderate, or conservative? (IF "LIBERAL" OR "CONSERVATIVE," ASK:) And would you say he is very (liberal/conservative) or somewhat (liberal/conservative)? (RANDOMIZE)^

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY CONSERVATIVE

	Total <u>Liberal</u>	Total <u>Conservative</u>	Very <u>Liberal</u>	Somewhat <u>Liberal</u>	<u>Moderate</u>	Somewhat Conservative	Very <u>Conservative</u>	Not Sure
Newt Gingrich December 2011^	10	57	1	9	28	36	21	5
Ron Paul December 2011^ Mitt Romney	13	48	4	9	20	20	28	19
December 2011 [^]	11	29	2	9	53	22	7	7

[^] Results shown reflect responses among registered voters who say they would vote in the Republican Primary

(ASK ONLY OF REG VOTERS (F1a:1) WHO SAY THEY WOULD VOTE IN THE REPUBLICAN PRIMARY Q26:1)

Q30 When it comes to the current field of Republican primary candidates for president would you say it is a strong field, meaning it is better than in other elections with many good candidates to choose from, an average field meaning it is equal to other elections with at least two to three good candidates to choose from, or a weak field meaning it is less good than in other elections with hardly any good candidates to choose from?

Strong/many good candidates	21
Average/some good candidates	51
Weak/hardly any good candidates	27
Not sure	1

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Q31 How confident are you that [ITEM] has the right set of personal characteristics to be president of the United States—extremely confident, quite confident, only somewhat confident, or not at all confident? (RANDOMIZE)

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY EXTREMELY/QUITE CONFIDENT

	l otal	Total	Only				
	Extremely/Quite	Somewhat/Not	Extremely	Quite	Somewhat	Not At All	Not
	Confident	Confident	Confident	Confident	Confident	Confident	Sure
Barack Obama							
December 2011	39	61	19	20	27	34	-
Mitt Romney							
December 2011	20	74	5	15	43	31	6
Newt Gingrich							
December 2011	17	77	6	11	35	42	6
Ron Paul							
December 2011**	11	72	3	8	37	35	17
Rick Perry							
December 2011*	8	79	2	6	32	47	13
* ^ = - = - = - = + = - = - =	(CODM A)						

^{*} Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

^{**} Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

Now turning to the economy...

Q32 During the next twelve months, do you think that the nation's economy will get better, get worse, or stay about the same?

Economy will get better Economy will get worse Economy will stay about the same Not sure	12/11 30 22 47 1	11/11 25 28 47	10/11 21 32 45 2	8/11 22 30 47 1	7/11 26 31 41 2	6/11 29 30 39 2	4/11 33 21 46	2/11 29 29 41 1
		1/11 40 17 42 1	12/10 32 24 42 2	11/10 37 15 46 2	10/14- 18/10+ 37 20 41 2	9/10 32 24 41 3	8/26- 30/10 26 26 45 3	8/5- <u>9/10</u> 34 25 39 2
		6/10 33 23 43 1	5/6- 10/10 40 20 38 2	3/10 41 22 36 1	1/10- 14/10 41 19 38 2	10/09 42 22 33 3	9/09 47 20 30 3	7/09 44 21 32 3
	6/09 46 22 29 3	4/09 38 30 30 2	10/08+ 38 20 37 5	9- 10/06+ 22 22 51 5	10/04+ 43 10 33 14	10/02+ 41 20 34 5	10/98+ 17 24 54 5	10/94 31 24 40 5

¹ Prior to April 2001, the question was phrased, "Over the next year..."

Q33 Just thinking about your own personal economic situation, do you feel that over the past twelve months things have gotten better, worse, or stayed about the same?

	12/11	11/11	10/11	8/11	7/11
Things have gotten better	17	16	14	14	18
Things have gotten worse	33	36	35	39	35
Things have stayed about the same	50	48	51	47	47
Not sure	_	-	-	-	-

		9/30-	
<u>6/11</u>	<u>4/11</u>	<u>10/2/06</u> +	7/06
18	21	24	22
35	31	28	36
47	48	48	41
_	_	_	1

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Turning to the issue of health care...

From what you have heard about Barack Obama's health care plan that was passed by Congress and signed into law by the President last year*, do you think his plan is a good idea or a bad idea? If you do not have an opinion either way, please just say so. (IF GOOD IDEA/BAD IDEA, THEN ASK) And, do you feel that way strongly, or not so strongly?

Total Good idea Strongly	12/11 34 23 11 41 8 33 24 1	1/11 39 29 10 39 5 34 21 1	10/14- 18/10+ 36 25 11 46 5 41 16 2	6/10+ 38 28 10 46 7 39 15	5/6- 10/10 ¹ 38 28 10 44 6 38 17
Good idea Bad idea Do not have an opinion Not sure	3/10 36 48 15 1	1/23- 25/10 31 46 22 1	1/10- 14/10 33 46 18 3	12/09 32 47 17 4	10/09 38 42 16 4
Good idea Bad idea Do not have an opinion Not sure	9/09 39 41 17 3	8/09 36 42 17 5	7/09 36 42 17 5	6/09 33 32 30 5	4/09 33 26 34 7

¹Prior to May 2010, the question did not ask "And, do you feel that way strongly, or not so strongly?"

And, would you favor or oppose repealing and eliminating this new health care law? (IF FAVOR/OPPOSE, THEN ASK) And, do you feel that way strongly, or not so strongly?

	12/11	1/11
Strongly favor eliminating	36	35
Not so strongly favor eliminating	10	10
Not so strongly oppose eliminating	15	12
Strongly oppose eliminating	25	34
No opinion (VOL)	10	7
Not sure	4	2

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters

Now, thinking about Iraq...

Q36 Looking ahead to a time after U.S. troops have left Iraq, how likely do you believe each of the following things is to happen--very likely, somewhat likely, somewhat unlikely, or very unlikely?

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY VERY OR SOMEWHAT LIKELY

	Likely		Unlikely		
		Some-	Some-		Not
	<u>Very</u>	<u>what</u>	<u>what</u>	<u>Very</u>	Sure
There will be all-out civil war			<u> </u>		!
December 2011 *	21	39	24	11	5
February 2009	16	38	25	17	4
June 2007	40	37	11	7	5
There will be more attempted terrorist attacks					
against the United States on our own soil as a result					!
of our troops having left Iraq					
December 2011 **	12	33	30	22	3
February 2009	17	27	30	22	4
June 2007	24	25	24	23	4
The Iraqi government will achieve a stable					
democracy					
December 2011 *	4	34	32	28	2
February 2009	6	41	28	21	4
June 2007	4	31	25	34	6
Iraq will become more settled and less violent					:
December 2011 **	7	28	30	32	3
February 2009	8	36	27	24	5
June 2007	11	21	21	42	5

^{*} Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

And now thinking about Iran...

Q37 If Iran continues with its nuclear research and is close to developing a nuclear weapon, do you believe that the United States should or should not initiate military action to destroy Iran's ability to make nuclear weapons? (IF "SHOULD" OR "SHOULD NOT," ASK:) And do you feel strongly about that, or not?

	12/11**	8/26- 30/10	3/10	10/09	7/08+	3/07	9/06+	7/06	4/06
Should Initiate Military Action			<u> </u>	<u> </u>	·	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	
Feel strongly	40	40	39	45	31	33	38	37	33
Do not feel strongly	14	12	12	7	10	10	16	11	9
Should NOT Initiate Military Action									
Do not feel strongly	15	12	11	10	13	12	12	11	13
Feel strongly	23	23	27	27	33	35	27	29	33
Depends (VOL)	NA	NA	3	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	5
Not sure	8	13	8	11	13	10	7	12	7

^{**} Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

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⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Q38 Compared with other years, do you think that 2011 was one of the best years for the United States, above average, about average, below average, or one of the worst years for the United States?

	<u>12/11</u> *	12/08	12/05	12/04	12/02	12/94	12/93	12/92	<u>12/91</u> +
One of the best years	1	1	1	3	1	2	1	2	3
Above-average year	3	3	9	12	7	19	12	9	11
About average year	20	12	28	32	32	51	43	28	30
Below-average year	49	36	34	27	39	21	32	39	39
One of the worst years	27	47	27	25	19	6	10	21	16
Not sure	-	1	1	1	2	1	2	1	1

^{*} Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

Q39 Which of the following has been the most disappointing event of the past year for you personally?** (RANDOMIZE)

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY HIGHEST PERCENTAGE

The wealthiest one percent getting richer and the middle class declining	31
The lack of economic recovery	29
The failure of Congress to reach a compromise on the budget deficit	27
The continuation of war in Afghanistan	6
Scandals like Penn State and Syracuse	3
None (VOL)	
Other (VOL)	1
Not Sure	2

^{**} Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

Now, thinking about something different...

Q40 Which, if any, of the following social networking services have you used in the past two to three weeks – (RANDOMIZE) -- Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn, TumbIr, MySpace? (ACCEPT MULTIPLE ANSWERS)

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY HIGHEST PERCENTAGE

Facebook	55
LinkedIn	10
Twitter	9
MySpace	3
Tumblr	2
None (VOL)	40
Not Sure	_

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Do you, personally, have a profile on a social networking website like Facebook or LinkedIn?

Yes	51
No	49

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

FACTUA	LS: Now I an	n going	j to a	sk you a	few questions	for s	statistical	purposes	only.

QF1a Are you currently registered to vote [LANDLINE: at this address; CELL: in (state from Q1x)]?

Registered	83
Not registered	16
Not sure	1

QF1b/c A lot of people are unable to get out and vote for many reasons. Did you happen to vote in last November's election for president? (IF "YES," ASK:) For whom did you vote—Barack Obama, John McCain, or someone else?

Yes, Voted	81
Voted for Barack Obama	42
Voted for John McCain	32
Voted for someone else	5
Not sure	2
No, Did Not Vote	19
Not sure	-

QF2 Are you currently employed? (IF "CURRENTLY EMPLOYED," ASK:) What type of work do you do? (RECORD UNDER "6--OTHER.") (IF "NOT CURRENTLY EMPLOYED," ASK:) Are you a student, a homemaker, retired, or unemployed and looking for work?

Currently Employed

Professional, manager	21
White-collar worker	19
Blue-collar worker	16
Farmer, rancher	-
Not Currently Employed	
Student	4
Homemaker	7
Retired	24
Unemployed, looking for work	8
Other	-
Not sure	1

QF3 What is the last grade that you completed in school? (DO NOT READ CHOICES.)

Grade school	1
Some high school	4
High school graduate	25
Some college, no degree	18
Vocational training/2-year college	10
4-year college/bachelor's degree	24
Some postgraduate work, no degree	3
2-3 years postgraduate work/master's degree	12
Doctoral/law degree	3
Not sure/refused	-

QF4	Thinking abou	ıt your	general	approac	ch to	issues,	do y	ou co	nsider	your	self to be	iberal,	mod	lerat	e, or
	conservative?	(IF "I	LIBERAL'	" OR "	CON	SERVAT	ΓΙVΕ,"	ASK:	Do (you	consider	yourself	to	be	very
	(liberal/conser	vative)	or somev	vhat (libe	eral/c	onservat	tive)?								

Very liberal	7
Somewhat liberal	14
Moderate	39
Somewhat conservative	22
Very conservative	16
Not sure	2

QF5a What is your religion?

Protestant (includes Baptist, Luthe	eran, Methodist, Episcopal,
Presbyterian, and other Christians)

Presbyterian, and other Christians)	45
Catholic	26
Jewish	
Muslim	-
Mormon/LDS/Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints	2
Other	14
None	10
Not sure/refused	2

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY PROTESTANT, OTHER, NONE, OR NOT SURE IN QF5a.)

QF5b Would you describe yourself as either a fundamentalist or an evangelical Christian, or would you not describe yourself that way?

Fundamentalist/evangelical	16
Neither fundamentalist nor evangelical	51
Not sure	4
Catholic/Jewish/Muslim/Mormon (QF5a)	29

Are you a current or retired labor union member? (ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY "NO" OR QF6a "NOT SURE" IN QF6a.) Is anyone else in your household a current or retired labor union member?

Labor union member	16
Union household	6
Non-union household	76
Not sure	2

QF7 If you added together the yearly income of all the members of your family who were living at home last year, would the total be less than ten thousand dollars, between ten thousand dollars and twenty thousand dollars, between twenty thousand dollars and thirty thousand dollars, between thirty thousand dollars and forty thousand dollars, between forty thousand dollars and fifty thousand dollars, between fifty thousand dollars and seventy-five thousand dollars, between seventy-five thousand dollars and one hundred thousand dollars, or would the total be more than that?

Less than \$10,000	6
Between \$10,000 and \$20,000	10
Between \$20,000 and \$30,000	11
Between \$30,000 and \$40,000	10
Between \$40,000 and \$50,000	10
Between \$50,000 and \$75,000	17
Between \$75,000 and \$100,000	10
More than \$100,000	19
Not sure/refused	7