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Q: Screen1

Do you have a few minutes to complete a short survey?

1. RESPONDENT AVAILABLE -- CONTINUE; IF NECESSARY, REPEAT THE INTRODUCTION
2. RESPONDENT IS NOT AVAILABLE -- CALL-BACK SCHEDULED
3. DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION (DK)/ REFUSED TO ANSWER (RF) -- TERMINATE

Q: REGVOTE

Are you currently registered to vote here in, or like a lot of people, are you not registered to vote?

	(%)	(N)
1. Yes, registered here in	79	1226
2. No, not registered to vote	19	294
3. Registered to vote in different state	2	27
4. (Don't Know/Refused)	0	0

Q: GENDER

Enter respondent's gender. [DON'T ASK.]

1. Male	50	772
2. Female	50	772

Q: INTEREST

In general, how interested are you in news about what's going on in government and politics?

1. Extremely Interested	17	266
2. Very Interested	41	629
3. Moderately Interested	26	407
4. Slightly Interested	10	151
5. Not Interested At All	6	94

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Q: NEWSMEDIA

Do you watch television news programs?

(FOLLOW UP if YES:) Is that often, sometimes, or seldom?

	(%)	(N)
1. Yes, often	54	836
2. Yes, sometimes	28	431
3. Yes, seldom	8	119
4. No, never	10	160
5. (Don't Know/Refused)	0	0

Q: [IF YES IN NEWSMEDIA] NEWSFOLLOW

From which station do you get most of your information?

1. FOX	22	311
2. MSNBC	9	123
3. CNN	19	261
4. Bloomberg	9	125
5. ABC	9	125
6. NBC	3	37
7. PBS/NPT	22	310
8. Other	7	97
9. (Don't Know/Refused)	0	0

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Q: ISSUE

Thinking about the nation as a whole, what general issues are currently the most important facing the country?

	(%)	(N)
1. Health care reform	12	193
2. Jobs/ Unemployment	20	303
3. Fix the Economy	36	548
4. War in Afghanistan/Iraq	4	66
5. National security/terrorism	1	23
6. Illegal Immigration/Border Security	3	53
7. The environment	0	0
8. Education	3	45
9. Gas and energy prices	2	38
10. Taxes	1	17
11. (OTHER)	12	180
88. (Don't Know)	5	73
99. (Refused)	0	0

Q: POLACTION

Now we'd like to know, in general, how politically and socially active you've been. Please indicate, for each one, whether or not you've done any of these:

(IF THEY SAY "YES", FOLLOW UP:) Was that in the last 12 months or sometime in the past?

__ Signed a petition

1. Yes, in the last 12 months	36	557
2. Yes, but sometime in the past	22	341
3. No	41	638
88. (Don't Know)	1	9
99. (Refused)	0	0

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___ Boycotted, or deliberately bought, certain products for political, ethical, or environmental reasons?

	(%)	(N)
1. Yes, in the last 12 months	34	529
2. Yes, but sometime in the past	6	92
3. No	59	915
88. (Don't Know)	1	9
99. (Refused)	0	0

___ Took part in a demonstration

1. Yes, in the last 12 months	10	154
2. Yes, but sometime in the past	10	154
3. No	80	1233
88. (Don't Know)	0	0

___ Attended a political meeting

1. Yes, in the last 12 months	22	340
2. Yes, but sometime in the past	14	220
3. No	64	984
88. (Don't Know)	0	0

___ Contacted, or attempted to contact, a politician or civil servant to express your views

1. Yes, in the last 12 months	32	503
2. Yes, but sometime in the past	13	199
3. No	55	844
88. (Don't Know)	0	0

___ Donated money or raised funds for a social or political activity

1. Yes, in the last 12 months	31	487
2. Yes, but sometime in the past	13	195
3. No	56	862
88. (Don't Know)	0	0

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Q: APR_BHO

Apart from whether you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president, what do you think of Obama as a person? Would you say you

(FOLLOW UP:) Is that strongly or somewhat?

	(%)	(N)
1. Strongly Approve	44	682
2. Somewhat Approve	28	428
3. Somewhat Disapprove	4	66
4. Strongly Disapprove	15	224
5. Neither Approve nor Disapprove	6	88
88. (Don't Know)	3	47
99. (Refused)	1	16

Q: BHO_FAIL

In general, do you hope that Barack Obama's policies will succeed, or do you hope that his policies will fail?

1. Succeed	66	1022
2. Fail	20	313
3. Neither Succeed nor Fail	9	132
88. (Don't Know)	5	77
99. (Refused)	1	15

Q: SOCIALISM

When it comes to Barack Obama's policies, please tell me which statement you agree with most:

1. I support Obama's current policies.	46	712
2. Obama's policies are pushing the country towards socialism.	25	392
3. Obama's policies are misguided and wrong, but they are not socialism.	18	273
88. (Don't Know)	9	139
99. (Refused)	2	31

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Q: OBAMATRAIT

Thinking now about the various traits of the President.

In your opinion, how well do the following phrases describe Barack Obama?

___ Knowledgeable

	(%)	(N)
1. Extremely Well	49	758
2. Quite Well	30	458
3. Not Too Well	11	174
4. Not Well at All	7	109
88. (Don't Know)	3	39
99. (Refused)	1	9

___ Intelligent

1. Extremely Well	60	933
2. Quite Well	29	446
3. Not Too Well	6	94
4. Not Well at All	3	52
88. (Don't Know)	1	13
99. (Refused)	1	13

___ Can't Make Up His Own Mind

1. Extremely Well	17	265
2. Quite Well	19	300
3. Not Too Well	22	336
4. Not Well at All	35	545
88. (Don't Know)	5	82
99. (Refused)	1	18

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___ Moral

	(%)	(N)
1. Extremely Well	42	657
2. Quite Well	30	462
3. Not Too Well	10	153
4. Not Well at All	9	146
88. (Don't Know)	8	115
99. (Refused)	1	13

___ Provides Strong Leadership

1. Extremely Well	32	497
2. Quite Well	32	497
3. Not Too Well	15	235
4. Not Well at All	17	266
88. (Don't Know)	2	39
99. (Refused)	1	11

___ Really Cares About People

1. Extremely Well	46	709
2. Quite Well	29	451
3. Not Too Well	9	135
4. Not Well at All	12	181
88. (Don't Know)	4	64
99. (Refused)	1	8

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Q: GAYMILIT

Okay, how about the decision to repeal Don't Ask, Don't Tell and allow gays and lesbians to serve openly in the U.S. military?

(FOLLOW UP) Is that somewhat or strongly?

	(%)	(N)
1. Strongly Support	38	588
2. Somewhat Support	15	232
3. Neither Support nor Oppose	8	124
4. Somewhat Oppose	11	173
5. Strongly Oppose	23	351
88. (Don't Know)	5	77
99. (Refused)	1	15

Q: DREAMACT

Okay, how about the DREAM Act? The DREAM Act would allow illegal immigrants who came to the U.S. as very young children to eventually gain legal status if they attend college, or serve in the U.S. military. Do you support or oppose the DREAM Act?

(FOLLOW UP) Is that somewhat or strongly?

1. Strongly Support	36	556
2. Somewhat Support	25	384
3. Neither Support nor Oppose	4	69
4. Somewhat Oppose	8	124
5. Strongly Oppose	22	347
88. (Don't Know)	4	69
99. (Refused)	0	0

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Q: CITIZEN

Question CITIZEN As you may know, under the U.S. Constitution and current laws, all children born in the United States are automatically granted citizenship. Do you think we should continue to grant citizenship to all children born in the U.S., or do you think the Constitution should be changed so children of illegal immigrants are not automatically granted citizenship?

	(%)	(N)
1. Yes	41	642
2. No	51	786
88. (Don't Know)	7	108
99. (Refused)	1	15

Q: VOTED

Changing topics, did you vote in the 2010 general election in November?

1. Yes	73	1136
2. No	27	410
3. (Don't Know/Refused)	0	0

Q: CONGVOTE

And in that election for Congress, did you vote for the Republican candidate or the Democratic candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives?

1. Republican	40	457
2. Democrat	51	572
3. Other/ Someone else	3	28
88. (Don't Know)	4	49
99. (Refused)	2	28

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Q: PATGEN

Some people say that patriotism is about supporting your country, right or wrong. In other words, Americans shouldn't criticize the country even if they disagree with its policies. Others say that criticism is necessary and that true patriots must challenge America to live up to its values. Which comes closest to your opinion?

	(%)	(N)
1. Patriots shouldn't criticize America	17	260
2. Patriots need to criticize America if it's not living up to its values	78	1210
88. (Don't Know)	4	62
99. (Refused)	1	15

Q: PATECON

Some people say that it's our patriotic duty to help subsidize an education for those without access to good schools, something that will ultimately strengthen the United States. Others say that redistributing the money of hard-working Americans is wrong because it takes money away from the people who earned it and gives it to people who didn't work for it.

Which comes closest to your opinion?

1. Patriots should be willing to subsidize an education.	56	869
2. Patriots should not redistribute money.	35	534
88. (Don't Know)	8	124
99. (Refused)	1	15

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Q: PATEQUAL

Some people say that true patriotism is about pushing America to realize its promise of equality, even if it means enacting new laws to ensure everyone is treated equally. Others think it is un-necessary to enact new laws to prevent discrimination, especially if these laws are already in place.

Which comes closest to your opinion?

	(%)	(N)
1. America must stop at nothing to achieve equality.	49	751
2. America has enough equality; nothing more is necessary	45	685
88. (Don't Know)	6	93
99. (Refused)	1	15

Q: DETAIN

Some people say law enforcement should be able to arrest and detain anyone indefinitely if that person is suspected of belonging to a terrorist organization or in the process of committing a terrorist act. Others say that no one should be held for a long period of time without being formally charged with a crime.

Which of these options do you agree with most?

1. Detained as long as it takes	52	751
2. Oppose detaining individuals	48	685
88. (Don't Know/Not sure)	0	0
99. (Refused)	0	0

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Q: PROFILE

Some people say that law enforcement should be able to stop or detain people of certain racial backgrounds if these groups are thought to be more likely to commit crimes. This is called racial profiling. Others think racial profiling should not be done because it harasses many innocent people on account of their race.

Which of these opinions do you agree with most?

	(%)	(N)
1. Allow racial profiling	78	1213
2. Oppose profiling	22	334
88. (Don't Know/Not sure)	0	0
99. (Refused)	0	0

Q: FREESP

Some people say that media professionals should be able to say whatever they wish even if what they say intentionally misleads people or may even ultimately result in violence of some kind. Others say that media professionals should be prevented from saying things that are intentionally misleading or may ultimately result in violence. Which of these comes closest to your opinion?

1. Media professionals should be able to say what they please.	23	56
2. Media professionals should be stopped from intentionally misleading people or saying things that may result in violence.	69	166
88. (Don't Know)	7	17
99. (Refused)	1	3

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Q: ECONOWN

Now, thinking about your OWN economic situation. Some people are very anxious about their OWN economic situation while other people are not anxious at all. How anxious are you about your OWN economic situation?

(FOLLOWUP IF YES:) Is that VERY, SOMEWHAT or A LITTLE?

	(%)	(N)
1. Not at all anxious	19	288
2. A little anxious	17	259
3. Somewhat anxious	23	360
4. Very anxious	38	591
88. (Don't Know)	3	46
99. (Refused)	0	0

Q: GOVBIG

ONE, the main reason government has become bigger over the years is because it has gotten involved in things that people should do for themselves; OR TWO, government has become bigger because the problems we face have become bigger.

(IF NECESSARY, PROBE:) Which is closer?

1. Government bigger because it's involved in things people should handle themselves	44	680
2. Government bigger because problems bigger	49	754
88. (Don't Know)	6	100
99. (Refused)	1	12

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Q: STGOV

ONE, we need a strong government to handle today's complex economic problems;
OR TWO, the free market can handle these problems without government being involved?

(IF NECESSARY, PROBE:) Which is closer?

	(%)	(N)
1. Need a strong government to handle complex economic problems	58	893
2. Free market can handle without government involvement	36	551
88. (Don't Know)	5	80
99. (Refused)	2	23

Q: LESSGOV

ONE, the less government, the better;
OR TWO, there are more things that government should be doing?

(IF NECESSARY, PROBE:) Which is closer?

1. The less government the better	43	675
2. More things the government should be doing	50	768
88. (Don't Know)	6	90
99. (Refused)	1	14

Q: TEAPARTY

Based on what you have heard, do you approve or disapprove of the Tea Party Movement?

(FOLLOW UP) Is that somewhat or strongly approve/disapprove?

1. Strongly approve	20	308
2. Somewhat approve	18	281
3. Somewhat disapprove	13	208
4. Strongly disapprove	25	392
88. (Don't Know)	22	340
99. (Refused)	1	15

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Q: LIFE

I'd now like you to reflect on how people conduct their lives in America. I'm going to read a few statements, and I'd like for you to tell me if you agree or disagree.

(IF AGREE/DISAGREE) Is that strongly or somewhat agree/disagree?

___ The newer lifestyles are contributing to the breakdown of our society.

	(%)	(N)
1. Strongly Agree	37	570
2. Somewhat Agree	23	360
3. Neither Agree nor Disagree	3	49
4. Somewhat Disagree	14	223
5. Strongly Disagree	17	261
88. (Don't Know)	5	84
99. (Refused)	0	0

___ This country would have many fewer problems if there were more emphasis on traditional family ties.

1. Strongly Agree	59	910
2. Somewhat Agree	18	285
3. Neither Agree nor Disagree	2	39
4. Somewhat Disagree	8	131
5. Strongly Disagree	9	143
88. (Don't Know)	2	39
99. (Refused)	0	0

Q: FILLER7

On a related issue, I'd like to ask you a few questions about child rearing. There a number of qualities that people feel children should have, but every person thinks that some are more important than others.

Please tell me which one you think is more important for a child to have?

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Q: INDEPENDENCE

Independence or Respect for Elders?

	(%)	(N)
1. Independence	20	305
2. Both	20	304
3. Respect for elders	60	923
4. Neither	0	0
88. (Don't Know)	0	0
99. (Refused)	0	0

Q: CURIOSITY

Curiosity or Good Manners?

1. Curiosity	27	424
2. Both	21	321
3. Good manners	52	796
4. Neither	0	0
88. (Don't Know)	0	0
99. (Refused)	0	0

Q: OBEDIENC

Obedience or Self-reliance?

1. Obedience	37	573
2. Both	18	278
3. Self-reliance	44	681
4. Neither	0	0
88. (Don't Know)	1	15
99. (Refused)	0	0

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Q: CONSIDERATE

Considerate or Well Behaved?

	(%)	(N)
1. Considerate	43	669
2. Both	24	373
3. Well Behaved	32	496
4. Neither	0	0
88. (Don't Know)	0	0
99. (Refused)	0	0

Q: SOCBAT

Now, I'd like to get your opinion on the conditions necessary to succeed in American society. After each one, I would like you to tell me how strongly you agree or disagree.

(FOLLOW-UP) Is that strongly or somewhat?

___ Anyone who is willing to work hard has a good chance of succeeding.

1. Strongly agree	77	1190
2. Somewhat agree	13	197
3. Neither agree nor disagree	1	12
4. Somewhat disagree	5	77
5. Strongly disagree	4	66
88. (Don't Know)	0	0

___ I am proud to be an American.

1. Strongly agree	87	1348
2. Somewhat agree	8	124
3. Neither agree nor disagree	1	19
4. Somewhat disagree	2	25
5. Strongly disagree	2	25
88. (Don't Know)	0	0
99. (Refused)	0	0

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Q: THERMQ

I'd like to get your feelings toward different groups of people who are in the news these days. I'd like you to rate people using something we call the feeling thermometer. Ratings between 5 degrees and 10 degrees mean that you feel favorable toward the person and ratings between 0 degrees and 4 degrees mean that you don't feel favorable towards them. If we come to a group whose name you don't recognize, just say so, and we'll move on to the next one.

Where would you rate [NAME] on this scale?

___ Hispanic Americans

	(%)	(N)
0. Not Favorable	2	24
1. Not Favorable	0	0
2. Not Favorable	1	15
3. Not Favorable	2	24
4. Not Favorable	5	70
5. Favorable	20	310
6. Favorable	7	111
7. Favorable	16	243
8. Favorable	15	227
9. Favorable	6	91
10. Favorable	22	345
88. (Never Heard Of)	0	0
89. (Don't Know)	2	37
99. (Refused)	3	40

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___ Asian Americans

	(%)	(N)
0. Not Favorable	1	14
1. Not Favorable	0	0
2. Not Favorable	1	14
3. Not Favorable	1	14
4. Not Favorable	2	35
5. Favorable	20	316
6. Favorable	9	144
7. Favorable	14	217
8. Favorable	14	217
9. Favorable	7	108
10. Favorable	23	352
88. (Never Heard Of)	0	0
89. (Don't Know)	4	56
99. (Refused)	3	42

___ Blacks

0. Not Favorable	1	17
1. Not Favorable	0	0
2. Not Favorable	1	17
3. Not Favorable	1	17
4. Not Favorable	3	46
5. Favorable	20	315
6. Favorable	7	116
7. Favorable	14	220
8. Favorable	15	237
9. Favorable	6	91
10. Favorable	24	377
88. (Never Heard Of)	0	0
89. (Don't Know)	3	40
99. (Refused)	3	40

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___ Illegal Immigrants

	(%)	(N)
0. Not Favorable	15	223
1. Not Favorable	6	98
2. Not Favorable	7	114
3. Not Favorable	7	114
4. Not Favorable	13	209
5. Favorable	19	299
6. Favorable	6	98
7. Favorable	9	135
8. Favorable	5	75
9. Favorable	2	34
10. Favorable	5	75
88. (Never Heard Of)	0	0
89. (Don't Know)	2	34
99. (Refused)	2	34

___ Gays and Lesbians

0. Not Favorable	7	104
1. Not Favorable	4	70
2. Not Favorable	3	46
3. Not Favorable	3	46
4. Not Favorable	6	98
5. Favorable	23	350
6. Favorable	6	98
7. Favorable	10	152
8. Favorable	12	182
9. Favorable	4	57
10. Favorable	16	256
88. (Never Heard Of)	0	0
89. (Don't Know)	3	46
99. (Refused)	2	38

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___ Whites

	(%)	(N)
0. Not Favorable	1	10
1. Not Favorable	0	0
2. Not Favorable	0	0
3. Not Favorable	0	0
4. Not Favorable	2	38
5. Favorable	19	294
6. Favorable	7	114
7. Favorable	16	246
8. Favorable	16	246
9. Favorable	8	119
10. Favorable	26	395
88. (Never Heard Of)	0	0
89. (Don't Know)	2	38
99. (Refused)	3	42

Q: SDOBAT

Now I'm going to read a series of short statements with which you may either agree or disagree.

For each statement, please tell me how you feel, on a scale from '1' to '7,' where 1 means you strongly agree, 7 means you strongly disagree and 4 is the mid-point.

___ If certain groups of people stayed in their place, we would have fewer problems.

1- Strongly agree	12	188
2	5	77
3	6	85
4 - midpoint	10	161
5	7	114
6	5	75
7- Strongly disagree	49	758
88. (Don't Know)	3	46
99. (Refused)	3	46

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___ Inferior groups should stay in their place.

	(%)	(N)
1- Strongly agree	10	151
2	3	53
3	5	71
4 - midpoint	12	188
5	6	90
6	6	90
7- Strongly disagree	50	784
88. (Don't Know)	4	62
99. (Refused)	4	62

___ Sometimes other groups must be kept in their place.

1- Strongly agree	14	218
2	5	78
3	3	51
4 - midpoint	12	191
5	7	110
6	5	78
7- Strongly disagree	48	743
88. (Don't Know)	3	51
99. (Refused)	2	31

___ We should do what we can to equalize conditions for different groups.

1- Strongly agree	38	591
2	9	142
3	9	142
4 - midpoint	15	224
5	7	112
6	5	72
7- Strongly disagree	14	207
88. (Don't Know)	2	31
99. (Refused)	2	31

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___ Group equality should be our ideal.

	(%)	(N)
1- Strongly agree	38	589
2	10	155
3	9	145
4 - midpoint	15	229
5	5	80
6	5	80
7- Strongly disagree	11	169
88. (Don't Know)	4	62
99. (Refused)	2	31

___ We should increase social equality.

1- Strongly agree	41	635
2	11	165
3	8	125
4 - midpoint	14	220
5	6	95
6	3	51
7- Strongly disagree	12	192
88. (Don't Know)	2	31
99. (Refused)	2	31

Q: FILLER9

Almost done... Now I have some questions about different groups in our society. I'm going to show you a seven-point scale on which the characteristics of the people in a group can be rated.

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Q: RACEBAT

Now, I am going to read you a statement, and I would like you to tell me how strongly you agree or disagree?

(FOLLOW UP) Is that strongly or somewhat?

___ Irish, Italians, Jews and many other minorities overcame prejudice and worked their way up. Blacks should do the same without any special favors.

	(%)	(N)
1. Strongly agree	41	641
2. Somewhat agree	22	341
3. Neither agree nor disagree	5	72
4. Somewhat disagree	10	156
5. Strongly disagree	16	242
88. (Don't Know)	3	51
99. (Refused)	3	51

___ Generations of slavery and discrimination have created conditions that make it difficult for blacks to work their way out of the lower class.

1. Strongly agree	25	386
2. Somewhat agree	17	268
3. Neither agree nor disagree	4	63
4. Somewhat disagree	14	221
5. Strongly disagree	36	556
88. (Don't Know)	2	31
99. (Refused)	1	15

___ Over the past few years, blacks have gotten less than they deserve.

1. Strongly agree	15	226
2. Somewhat agree	16	250
3. Neither agree nor disagree	7	108
4. Somewhat disagree	21	321
5. Strongly disagree	35	541
88. (Don't Know)	5	77
99. (Refused)	2	31

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___ It's really a matter of some people not trying hard enough; if blacks would only try harder they could be just as well off as whites.

	(%)	(N)
1. Strongly agree	27	414
2. Somewhat agree	21	328
3. Neither agree nor disagree	5	81
4. Somewhat disagree	16	243
5. Strongly disagree	26	400
88. (Don't Know)	3	41
99. (Refused)	3	41

Q: IMMBURDE

I am going to read you a statement, and I would like you to tell me if you Strongly Agree, Somewhat Agree, Somewhat Disagree, or Strongly Disagree with it.

New immigrants are a burden on our country because they take our housing, healthcare, and jobs.

1. Strongly agree	24	364
2. Somewhat agree	20	314
3. Neither agree nor disagree	4	63
4. Somewhat disagree	18	274
5. Strongly disagree	32	489
88. (Don't Know)	2	25
99. (Refused)	1	20

Q: IMMCRIME

New immigrants have increased the level of crime in the United States.

1. Strongly Agree	20	260
2. Somewhat Agree	18	237
3. Neither Agree nor Disagree	5	70
4. Somewhat Disagree	20	260
5. Strongly Disagree	28	361
88. (Don't Know)	6	73
99. (Refused)	1	17

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Q: IMMVAL

Okay, and now the last four questions about immigration. Again, tell me if you Strongly Agree, Somewhat Agree, Somewhat Disagree, or Strongly Disagree with each statement.

___ More good jobs for immigrants mean fewer good jobs for people like me.

	(%)	(N)
1. Strongly Agree	23	347
2. Somewhat Agree	18	272
3. Neither Agree nor Disagree	3	43
4. Somewhat Disagree	19	302
5. Strongly Disagree	34	521
88. (Don't Know)	3	43
99. (Refused)	1	19

___ The more influence that immigrants have in politics the less influence people like me will have in politics.

1. Strongly Agree	15	235
2. Somewhat Agree	14	210
3. Neither Agree nor Disagree	4	64
4. Somewhat Disagree	21	329
5. Strongly Disagree	40	625
88. (Don't Know)	4	64
99. (Refused)	1	20

Q: BHO_FACT

Now I'm going to read you a few short statements about Barack Obama's life, and for each one, simply tell me if you think it's true or false, or if you don't know:

___ Obama is a practicing Muslim.

1. True	15	233
2. False	58	903
88. (Don't Know)	26	396
99. (Refused)	1	15

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___ Obama is a practicing Christian.

	(%)	(N)
1. True	56	865
2. False	18	285
88. (Don't Know)	25	397
99. (Refused)	0	0

___ Obama was born in the United States.

1. True	61	950
2. False	19	298
88. (Don't Know)	19	298
99. (Refused)	0	0

___ Obama does not have a valid U.S. birth certificate.

1. True	15	235
2. False	57	876
88. (Don't Know)	28	427
99. (Refused)	1	9

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Q: BHO_LIST

I'm going to read a list of four statements. Please tell me HOW MANY of the statements are true for you.

I don't need to know which ones; I just need to know HOW MANY are true for you.

___ I have money invested in an individual retirement account.

___ I have sometimes been unable to pay my bills.

___ I usually choose to buy organic foods.

___ I usually shop at Walmart.

	(%)	(N)
0. (Number Respondent Believes to be True)	3	20
1. (Number Respondent Believes to be True)	24	191
2. (Number Respondent Believes to be True)	43	331
3. (Number Respondent Believes to be True)	21	161
4. (Number Respondent Believes to be True)	8	63
88. (Don't Know)	1	19
99. (Refused)	0	0

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Q: BHO_LIST_E

I'm going to read a list of five statements. Please tell me HOW MANY of the statements are true for you.

I don't need to know which ones; I just need to know HOW MANY are true for you.

___ I have money invested in an individual retirement account.

___ I have sometimes been unable to pay my bills.

___ I usually choose to buy organic foods.

___ I usually shop at Walmart.

___ I think Barack Obama will destroy the country.

	(%)	(N)
0. (Number Respondent Believes to be True)	5	38
1. (Number Respondent Believes to be True)	22	169
2. (Number Respondent Believes to be True)	36	280
3. (Number Respondent Believes to be True)	26	206
4. (Number Respondent Believes to be True)	8	64
5. (Number Respondent Believes to be True)	1	5
88. (Don't Know)	1	5
99. (Refused)	0	0

Q: GAYSOCIETY

Is society better when it encourages gay men and lesbians to be open and talk about their sexual orientation publicly or when it encourages them to keep their sexual orientation to themselves?

1. More Open	38	583
2. More Private	48	749
88. (Don't Know)	12	182
99. (Refused)	2	33

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Q: POLPOWER

As a group, do lesbians and gay men have too much political power, not enough political power, or just about the right amount of political power?

	(%)	(N)
1. Too much	18	282
2. Just about right	43	669
3. Not enough	22	342
88. (Don't Know)	15	222
99. (Refused)	2	31

Q: GAYMAR

Some people say that gay and lesbian couples should be given the right to get married, while others say that the government should not provide legal recognition of gay marriage. Which comes closer to your view?

1. Gay and lesbian couples should be given the right to get married.	46	717
2. Government should not provide legal recognition of gay marriage.	44	674
88. (Don't Know)	8	125
99. (Refused)	2	31

Q: TPSUPPORT

Switching topics, based on what you've heard, would you consider yourself a supporter of the Tea Party?

1. Yes	28	442
2. No	52	806
88. (Don't Know)	19	293
99. (Refused)	0	0

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Q: TPSTRONG

Would you consider yourself a strong supporter or not a very strong supporter of the Tea Party?

	(%)	(N)
1. Strongly	47	209
2. Moderately	43	190
3. Not At All	9	37
4. (Don't Know/Refused)	1	6

Q: TPJOIN

Have you officially joined a Tea Party organization?

1. Yes	2	24
2. No	94	1447
88. (Don't Know)	5	74
99. (Refused)	0	0

Q: TPACT

In the past 12 months, have you:

1. Attended a Tea Party Rally	4	59
2. Attended a Tea Party meeting at someone's home	1	14
3. Signed up for the Tea Party On-line	1	14
4. Donated money to the Tea Party	1	14
5. (None of These)	91	1401
6. (Other)	0	0
88. (Don't Know)	2	34
99. (Refused)	0	0

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Q: TPEVAL

Has the Tea Party been good or bad for America?

	(%)	(N)
1. Good	39	600
2. Bad	25	389
88. (Don't Know)	35	537
99. (Refused)	1	22

Q: DEMO_FILLER

Almost done. All we have left are demographic questions that we use to be sure that all viewpoints and people are represented

Q: BIRTHLOC

Were you born here in [STATE], in another state, or another country?

1. Born here in [STATE]	53	819
2. Born in another US state	38	583
3. Born outside the US/other country	9	143
5. (Don't Know/ Refused)	0	0

Q: RACE

Okay great. We want to make sure that we get a representative sample of Americans of all different backgrounds.

What do you consider your racial or ethnic background?

1. Black/African American	16	247
2. Asian American	1	10
3. Hispanic or Latino	9	146
4. Native American	1	10
5. White/Caucasian	66	1021
6. Mixed race/ multiple races	5	76
7. Other	2	27
88. (Don't Know)	0	0
99. (Refused)	0	0

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Q: EDUCATION

What is the highest level of education you completed? Just stop me when I read the correct category -- Grades 1-8, some high school, high school graduate, some college or technical school, college graduate, or post-graduate.

	(%)	(N)
1. Grades 1-8	2	35
2. Some High School	12	186
3. High School Graduate	30	462
4. Some College or Technical School	28	429
5. College Graduate	16	243
6. Post-Graduate	12	186
88.(Don't Know)	0	0
99. (Refused)	0	0

Q: PTID

Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican, an independent, or what?

1. Democrat	40	611
2. Republican	25	382
3. Independent/Other	30	471
4. (Neither/None)	4	68
88. (Don't Know)	1	10
99. (Refused)	0	0

Q: PTID3

[If <4 on PTID] Would you say that you strongly identify with this party or not?

1. Yes, strongly	71	701
2. No, not strongly	27	271
3. (Don't Know/Refused)	2	21

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Q: IDEO

When it comes to politics, do you usually think of yourself as a Liberal, a Conservative, a Moderate, or haven't you thought much about this?

	(%)	(N)
1. Very liberal	7	114
2. Liberal	10	155
3. Slightly liberal	9	132
4. Moderate	24	364
5. Slightly conservative	7	108
6. Conservative	16	240
7. Very conservative	8	130
88. (Don't Know)	19	288
99. (Refused)	1	15

Q: RELATT

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

1. More than once a week	10	156
2. Once a week	24	379
3. Once or twice a month	16	241
4. A few times a year	20	315
5. Less often than a few times a year	10	156
6. Never	18	286
88. (Don't Know)	0	0
99. (Refused)	0	0

Q: BORNAGAIN

Do you consider yourself an evangelical, or born-again, Christian?

1. Yes	40	617
2. No	56	865
88. (Don't Know)	3	51
99. (Refused)	1	15

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Q: MARITAL

Are you single, married, living with a same-sex partner, separated, divorced, or widowed?

	(%)	(N)
1. Married	44	675
2. Single	32	496
3. Separated	3	40
4. Divorced	11	174
5. Widowed	9	133
6. Same-sex domestic partner	1	12
88. (Don't Know)	0	0
99. (Refused)	1	12

Q: OWNHOME

Do you currently own or rent your home?

1. Own	67	1037
2. Rent	25	390
3. (Something else)	5	80
88. (Don't Know)	2	27
99. (Refused)	1	12

Q: KNOWCON

Do you happen to know who has the final responsibility to decide whether or not a law is Constitutional?

1. (Supreme Court)	41	635
2. (Judicial Branch)	5	70
3. (Executive Branch/President)	9	140
4. (Legislative Branch/Congress)	13	195
5. (The States)	1	18
88. (Don't know/No)	31	471
99. (Refused)	1	18

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Q: KNOWVP

Do you happen to know what job, or political office is now held by Joseph Biden?

	(%)	(N)
1. (Vice President-Current)	70	1085
2. (In Obama Administration)	1	15
3. (Delaware Politician)	0	0
4. (Senator)	1	15
5. (Other)	2	27
88. (Don't Know/No)	26	395
99. (Refused)	0	0

Q: SEATHR

And which political party currently has the most seats in the House of Representatives in Washington D.C.?

1. (Democrats)	9	138
2. (Republicans)	73	1126
3. (Both)	1	9
4. (Neither)	0	0
88. (Don't Know)	17	259
99. (Refused)	0	0

Q: AGE

In what year were you born?

Median = 55

	(%)	(N)
8888 = (Don't Know)	0	0
9999 = (Refused)	2	32

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Q: INCOME

What was your total combined household income in 2008 before taxes? This question is completely confidential and just used to help classify the responses. Just stop me when I read the correct category.

	(%)	(N)
1. Less than \$20,000	17	259
2. \$20,000 to less than \$40,000	17	259
3. \$40,000 to less than \$60,000	12	184
4. \$60,000 to less than \$80,000	11	172
5. \$80,000 to less than \$100,000	6	88
6. \$100,000 to less than \$150,000	12	184
7. More than \$150,000	7	108
88. (Don't Know)	10	150
99. (Refused)	9	145

Q: ROI

We'd like to find out what kinds of things people can tell just from listening to a person's voice over the telephone. During the interview, did you think I was White, Black, Latino, Asian or someone of another group?

1. White	65	1005
2. Black	2	32
3. Latino	4	65
4. Asian	3	51
5. Another group	4	65
88. (Don't Know)	19	293
99. (Refused)	2	32

[END OF SURVEY]