

# Democracy Corps - Third Way Frequency Questionnaire

May 15-18, 2010

**1,000 2008 Voters**

**874 Likely Voters (875 unweighted)<sup>1</sup>**

**126 Drop-Off Voters (125 unweighted)<sup>2</sup>**

Q.3 First of all, are you registered to vote?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Likely Voters</b>	<b>Drop-Off Voters</b>
Yes.....	100	100	100
No .....	-	-	-
(Refused) .....	-	-	-
(ref:SCREEN1)			

Q.4 Many people weren't able to vote in the 2008 election for president between Barack Obama and John McCain. How about you? Were you able to vote, or for some reason were you unable to vote?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Likely Voters</b>	<b>Drop-Off Voters</b>
Voted.....	98	99	96
Not registered in 2008/Ineligible/too young.....	2	1	4
Did not vote.....	-	-	-
(Can't remember/Don't know) .....	-	-	-
(Refused) .....	-	-	-
(ref:VOTE08)			

Q.5 As you know, there was an election for Congress and other offices in 2006. Many people weren't able to vote. How about you? Were you able to vote or for some reason were you unable to vote?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Likely Voters</b>	<b>Drop-Off Voters</b>
Voted.....	86	95	24
Not registered in 2006/Ineligible/too young.....	5	5	6
Did not vote.....	7	-	54
(Can't remember/Don't know) .....	2	-	16
(Refused) .....	-	-	-
(ref:VOTE062)			

<sup>1</sup> Likely voters are defined as those 2008 voters who voted or were not eligible in 2006 AND are almost certain to vote, probable to vote, or don't know if they will vote in 2010.

<sup>2</sup> Drop-off voters are defined as those 2008 voters who are not likely voters.

Q.9 I know it is a long way off, but what are the chances of your voting in the election for Congress this November: are you almost certain to vote, will you probably vote, are the chances 50-50, or don't you think you will vote?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Likely Voters</b>	<b>Drop-Off Voters</b>
Almost certain .....	80	87	27
Probably .....	13	12	19
50-50 .....	5	-	38
Will not vote .....	2	-	13
(Don't know) .....	0	0	1
(Refused) .....	0	-	3
(ref:CP10)			

Q.10 Generally speaking, do you think that things in this country are going in the right direction, or do you feel things have gotten pretty seriously off on the wrong track?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Likely Voters</b>	<b>Drop-Off Voters</b>
Right direction .....	33	34	26
Wrong track.....	59	59	60
(Don't know/refused) .....	8	7	14
<b>Right - Wrong</b> .....	<b>-27</b>	<b>-25</b>	<b>-34</b>
(ref:DIRECT)			

Q.11 Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Likely Voters</b>	<b>Drop-Off Voters</b>
Strongly approve .....	31	32	24
Somewhat approve .....	16	14	30
Somewhat disapprove .....	8	7	13
Strongly disapprove .....	39	41	24
(Don't know/refused) .....	6	5	8
<b>Total approve</b> .....	<b>47</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>54</b>
<b>Total disapprove</b> .....	<b>47</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>37</b>
(ref:BOAPP)			

Q.12 Now, I'd like 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. You can use any number from zero to one hundred, the higher the number the more favorable your feelings are toward that person or organization. If you have no opinion or never heard of that person or organization, please say so.

	Mean	% Warm	% Cool	% >75	% <26	% ID	Warm - Cool
12 The Republican Party .....	42.5	30	44	10	31	97	-14
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	42.4	30	44	10	31	97	-14
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	43.2	33	44	10	33	95	-12
13 The Democratic Party .....	45.1	38	44	19	35	97	-6
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	44.4	39	46	19	36	98	-7
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	50.4	37	32	20	22	91	4
14 The Democratic Congress .....	42.2	34	46	16	36	96	-11
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	41.5	35	47	15	38	97	-12
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	47.5	28	36	17	22	93	-9
15 Barack Obama .....	50.2	47	42	34	36	99	5
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	49.7	47	44	35	37	99	3
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	53.7	48	32	28	26	99	16
<b>[444 Respondents]</b>							
16 (DEM HOUSE INCUMBENT) <sup>3</sup> (ASK ONLY IN LANDLINE SAMPLE) .....	51.2	37	29	21	22	78	8
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	51.1	38	30	22	23	80	8
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	53.1	33	19	12	17	63	14
<b>[403 Respondents]</b>							
16 (REP HOUSE INCUMBENT) <sup>3</sup> (ASK ONLY IN LANDLINE SAMPLE) .....	53.5	37	24	20	17	77	13
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	54.8	41	24	22	17	80	17
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	41.7	14	27	8	19	60	-13
17 Republicans in Congress .....	41.3	28	45	9	33	96	-17
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	41.2	29	46	9	33	97	-17
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	42.0	26	42	9	31	90	-16
18 The N.R.A., or National Rifle Association ....	56.6	49	29	32	23	93	20
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	56.3	49	29	32	24	93	20
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	59.1	47	27	33	19	87	20
19 Pro-life, anti-abortion groups.....	49.6	36	37	26	29	93	-1
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	50.1	37	36	27	29	93	1
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	45.8	30	43	24	34	91	-13

<sup>3</sup> The applicable incumbent name was inserted without party identification.

	Mean	% Warm	% Cool	% >75	% <26	% ID	Warm - Cool
20 Gay marriage .....	40.3	32	48	25	45	94	-16
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	40.9	33	48	25	45	95	-15
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	36.2	24	50	20	44	91	-26
21 The state of the economy .....	34.9	20	63	5	40	99	-44
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	34.9	20	63	5	40	99	-43
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	35.3	17	65	6	42	98	-48
22 The state of your personal finances.....	54.0	45	28	20	18	94	17
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	55.3	47	26	21	16	94	21
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	45.0	32	43	14	28	91	-12

(ref:THERM04/THERM204)

Q.23 I know it is a long way off, but thinking about the elections this November, if the election for U.S. Congress were held today, would you be voting for (DEMOCRATIC HOUSE CANDIDATE) or (REPUBLICAN HOUSE CANDIDATE)<sup>4</sup>?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Democratic candidate .....	40	40	47
Lean Democratic candidate .....	4	4	8
Republican candidate .....	39	41	27
Lean Republican candidate .....	4	4	2
(Other candidate) .....	2	2	3
Lean (Other candidate) .....	0	0	1
(Undecided) .....	8	8	9
(Refused) .....	2	2	3
<b>Total Democratic candidate</b> .....	<b>45</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>Total Republican candidate</b> .....	<b>44</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>Total (Other candidate)</b> .....	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>

(ref:CONG10)

Q.25 Now, thinking about the nation's economy, do you believe the economy...

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Has already bottomed out and is starting to improve.....	43	44	38
Is at the bottom but is not yet getting any better .....	20	20	25
Has not yet bottomed out and will still get worse .....	32	32	35
(DK/Refused) .....	4	4	3
<b>Improving - Will get worse</b> .....	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>3</b>

(ref:BTTMOUT)

<sup>4</sup> In the landline sample, the incumbent names were inserted preceded by party identification. Generic “the Democratic candidate” or “the Republican candidate” were inserted for the opposition. For the cell phone sample and open seat districts, both candidates were given as generic.

Q.26 Now I'm going to read you a list of issues. For each one, I would like you to tell me if you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling that issue.

	Strng App	Smwt App	Smwt Disap	Strng Disap	DK/ Ref	Total App	Total Disap	App - Disap
26 The economy .....	21	24	13	39	4	45	52	-7
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	21	23	11	41	3	44	52	-8
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	16	30	24	23	7	46	47	-2
27 National security .....	27	28	15	27	4	55	42	13
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	27	26	15	29	3	53	44	10
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	27	37	15	12	8	65	27	37

(ref:PRESBATT)

Q.28 Now I am going to ask you something different. I am going to read a list of issues and I want you to tell me whether, overall, you think the Democrats or the Republicans would do a better job with this issue. If you do not know, just tell me and we will move on to the next item.

	Dems Much Bttr	Dems Smwt Bttr	Reps Smwt Bttr	Reps Much Bttr	Both	Nei- ther	DK/ Ref	Total Dem	Total Rep	Dem - Rep
28 The economy .....	25	15	21	22	0	6	10	<b>40</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>-2</b>
<b>Likely Voters.....</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>-3</b>
<b>Drop-Off Voters.....</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>5</b>
29 National security .....	19	16	21	26	2	4	13	<b>35</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>-11</b>
<b>Likely Voters.....</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>-13</b>
<b>Drop-Off Voters.....</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
30 (SPLIT A) The situation										
in Afghanistan .....	18	20	22	16	2	5	16	<b>38</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>-1</b>
<b>Likely Voters.....</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>-2</b>
<b>Drop-Off Voters.....</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
31 (SPLIT B) Combating										
terrorism.....	18	18	17	28	2	4	13	<b>36</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>-9</b>
<b>Likely Voters.....</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>-9</b>
<b>Drop-Off Voters.....</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>-4</b>
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
32 (SPLIT A) Keeping										
America safe .....	18	16	20	26	3	5	13	<b>34</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>-11</b>
<b>Likely Voters.....</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>-13</b>
<b>Drop-Off Voters.....</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
33 (SPLIT B) Making										
America safer from										
nuclear threats .....	21	15	15	27	2	4	16	<b>36</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>-6</b>
<b>Likely Voters.....</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>-6</b>
<b>Drop-Off Voters.....</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>-5</b>
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
34 (SPLIT A) Dealing with										
Iran.....	17	20	22	19	1	4	16	<b>37</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>-5</b>
<b>Likely Voters.....</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>-6</b>
<b>Drop-Off Voters.....</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>4</b>

Q.35 Now I'm going to read you some pairs of statements. After I read each pair, please tell me whether the FIRST statement or the SECOND statement comes closer to your own view, even if neither is exactly right.

	1st Stmt Strng	1st Not Strng	2nd Not Strng	2nd Stmt Strng	Both	Neither	DK/Ref	Total 1st Stmt	Total 2nd Stmt	1st - 2nd
35 President Obama's economic policies helped avert an even worse crisis, and are laying the foundation for our eventual economic recovery.										
OR										
President Obama's economic policies have run up a record federal deficit while failing to end the recession or slow the record pace of job losses.....	32	13	8	41	0	2	5	44	49	-4
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	32	11	8	42	0	2	5	44	50	-6
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	29	21	11	31	-	1	7	50	42	7

**[500 Respondents]**

36 (SPLIT A) Former President Bush is more responsible for the current state of the economy.

OR

President Obama is more responsible for the current state of the economy.....

.....	42	6	9	28	4	6	5	48	37	11
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	43	6	9	29	4	6	4	49	37	11
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	36	10	6	27	7	5	10	46	33	13

**[500 Respondents]**

37 (SPLIT B) Obama and the Democrats are more concerned with creating jobs for ordinary Americans.

OR

Obama and the Democrats are more concerned with bailing out Wall Street. ....

.....	33	13	8	34	1	7	3	46	43	4
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	32	13	8	36	0	8	3	45	44	1
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	37	18	12	24	4	2	4	56	35	20

	1st Stmt Strng	1st Not Strng	2nd Not Strng	2nd Stmt Strng	Both	Neither	DK/Ref	Total 1st Stmt	Total 2nd Stmt	1st - 2nd
38 Looking at what is happening with the economy, I am leaning toward voting for the Democrats so we don't jeopardize the chance of an economic recovery. OR Looking at what is happening with the economy, I am leaning toward voting for the Republicans to protest the direction the economy is heading. ....	34	11	11	37	0	3	4	45	48	-3
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	35	9	11	39	0	3	3	44	49	-5
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	29	21	12	24	1	4	9	51	36	15

**[500 Respondents]**

39 (SPLIT A) America is losing its global leadership as China and other developing countries grow their economies and hold more of our debt. OR America remains the world's strongest and most influential country due to our combination of economic strength, military power, and political freedom.....	41	18	13	23	0	1	4	59	36	23
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	40	18	13	24	0	1	4	58	36	22
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	42	21	15	19	-	-	3	63	34	29

	1st Stmt Strng	1st Not Strng	2nd Not Strng	2nd Stmt Strng	Both	Neither	DK/Ref	Total 1st Stmt	Total 2nd Stmt	1st - 2nd
<b>[314 Respondents]</b>										
40 (SPLIT B) America is losing its global leadership as a range of developing countries grow their economies and hold more of our debt.										
OR										
America remains the world's strongest and most influential country due to our combination of economic strength, military power, and political freedom.....	37	15	11	30	2	0	4	<b>52</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Likely Voters.....</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Drop-Off Voters.....</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>10</b>
(ref:PAIRS10/VALUES06)										

Q.41 Here is a list of things that some people say undermine America's standing in the world; tell me which TWO you believe do the most to UNDERMINE America's standing in the world.

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
US debt held by China and other countries .....	32	34	20
Weakness of the US economy and manufacturing.....	31	31	31
Obama apologizing for past US policies .....	26	25	28
Treatment of prisoners at places like Abu Ghraib and Guantanamo .....	21	21	16
US policies in Iraq .....	13	12	15
Obama talking to Iran and other dictatorships .....	13	14	10
US policies in Afghanistan .....	9	8	15
Declining strength of US military .....	9	10	9
(All).....	3	3	2
(None) .....	2	1	2
(Other).....	2	2	1
(Don't know/Refused).....	11	10	17
(ref:USSTAND)			

Q.42 Thinking back to President George W. Bush's time in office, I want to read you a list of criticisms people had about his national security policies. Please tell me which TWO concern you the most about his national security policies.

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Started Iraq war on false claim they had weapons of mass destruction.....	30	30	28
Let US become more dependent on foreign oil .....	24	24	25
Declared "Mission accomplished" in Iraq before job was done.....	21	21	19
Failed to get Osama bin Laden.....	21	20	28
Led US into economic collapse that made us weaker abroad.....	15	15	15
Didn't prevent 9/11 despite warnings .....	14	12	25
Supported torture techniques like water boarding .....	8	9	3
Over-committed US forces abroad .....	8	9	6
Too willing to use force .....	5	5	4
(All).....	6	6	5
(None) .....	6	7	2
(Other).....	3	3	1
(Don't know/Refused).....	8	7	11

(ref:BUSHNEG)

Q.43 Thinking back to President George W. Bush's time in office, I want to read you a list of things some people say were his accomplishments in national security policies. Please tell me which TWO you think were his top national security accomplishments.

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Prevented another terrorist attack in the US after 9/11...	33	33	34
Removed Saddam Hussein from power .....	27	26	34
Increased humanitarian aid to poorest African nations...	20	20	14
Strengthened the US military .....	19	20	16
Launched military efforts in Iraq and Afghanistan to combat terror.....	13	14	10
Supported efforts to expand democracy to places like Iraq.....	11	12	7
Supported new democracies in Central Europe .....	11	10	11
Used tough interrogation and intelligence techniques to combat terror.....	8	8	10
Supported a missile defense system .....	7	8	5
(All).....	2	2	2
(None) .....	6	7	4
(Other).....	1	1	-
(Don't know/Refused).....	11	10	20

(ref:BUSHPOS)

Q.44 Now, I am going to read you a list of words and phrases which people use to describe the national security policies of the Bush-Cheney administration. Please tell me which TWO you think best describe the national security policies of the Bush-Cheney years.

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Likely Voters</b>	<b>Drop-Off Voters</b>
Arrogant .....	37	38	31
Strong .....	26	27	20
Short-sighted.....	24	25	19
Reckless .....	24	23	27
Out of touch .....	21	21	23
Decisive .....	20	21	13
Tough.....	17	17	18
Diplomatic .....	12	11	21
(All).....	1	1	1
(None) .....	1	0	2
(Other).....	0	0	1
(Don't know/Refused).....	4	3	9

(ref:BUSHATT)

Q.45 Now I am going to read you a set of statements about national security. Let's start with statements from the Democrats. For each statement, let me know whether it makes you feel more confident or less confident about the Democrats on national security.

	Much More Conf	Smwt More Conf	Smwt Less Conf	Much Less Conf	No Diff	Both/ Nei ther	DK/ Ref	Total More	Total Less	More -Less
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
45 (SPLIT B) Democrats say: Since the day Obama took office, we've stepped up the fight against terrorists. Using our Special Forces and unmanned Predator planes in Pakistan, Afghanistan, and Yemen, we captured or killed hundreds of al Qaeda's fighters and affiliates in 2009, far more than in 2008. Earlier this year, US forces helped capture the Taliban's top military commander.....										
	23	38	18	13	1	1	6	<b>62</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	23	38	19	14	1	1	5	<b>61</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	26	42	13	5	2	-	12	<b>69</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>51</b>

<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
46 (SPLIT A) Democrats say: We have strengthened America's military by increasing pay for troops in the field, providing our troops more time between deployments, and putting new and better weapons, like more unmanned aerial drones, into the battlefield to support our troops and military objectives.....										
	27	41	13	11	1	1	5	<b>69</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>45</b>
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	26	43	12	11	1	1	5	<b>69</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>45</b>
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	38	31	16	8	-	-	7	<b>69</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>44</b>

	Much More Conf	Smwt More Conf	Smwt Less Conf	Much Less Conf	No Diff	Both/ Nei ther	DK/ Ref	Total More	Total Less	More - Less
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
47 (SPLIT A) Democrats say: The Obama administration is strengthening our security by working with allies. President Obama got our NATO allies to send more troops to the war in Afghanistan, and got support from Germany and France for sanctions against Iran. All this makes America safer while getting our allies to bear more of our shared security burden. ....										
	25	37	16	15	1	1	4	<b>62</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	26	37	15	16	1	1	4	<b>62</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	18	42	25	10	-	-	5	<b>60</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>25</b>

<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
48 (SPLIT A) Democrats say: Just three years ago, our war effort in Afghanistan was adrift, with no clear strategy and too few troops to defeat the Taliban and other terrorists there. Now, the Obama administration has sent the troops we need, got our allies to provide more forces, and put in place a clear plan for disrupting, dismantling, and defeating the Taliban and al Qaeda and getting Afghanistan to take care of its own security. There are still challenges, but we finally have a strategy for victory.....										
	20	38	17	17	2	1	5	<b>58</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	20	38	18	17	1	1	5	<b>58</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	21	41	14	13	4	1	7	<b>62</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>36</b>

	Much More Conf	Smwt More Conf	Smwt Less Conf	Much Less Conf	No Diff	Both/ Nei ther	DK/ Ref	Total More	Total Less	More - Less
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
49 (SPLIT B) Democrats say: The Obama administration has sent the troops we need in Afghanistan, got our allies to provide more forces, and put in place a clear plan for disrupting, dismantling, and defeating the Taliban and al Qaeda and getting Afghanistan to take care of its own security. There are still challenges, but we finally have a strategy for victory.....										
	20	35	21	18	1	1	4	<b>55</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	20	34	20	20	1	1	4	<b>54</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	18	44	27	7	-	-	4	<b>62</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>28</b>

<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
50 (SPLIT B) Democrats say: President Obama has dramatically stepped up efforts to keep nuclear weapons out of the hands of terrorists, while at the same time maintaining a strong US nuclear deterrent. He signed a new treaty with Russia to eliminate unnecessary nuclear warheads, and he convened a global summit with foreign leaders and got them to agree to new steps to prevent nuclear smuggling.....										
	24	31	15	24	1	1	4	<b>55</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	24	30	15	26	0	1	3	<b>54</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	29	35	18	8	2	-	8	<b>64</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>39</b>

	Much More Conf	Smwt More Conf	Smwt Less Conf	Much Less Conf	No Diff	Both/ Nei ther	DK/ Ref	Total More	Total Less	More - Less
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
51 (SPLIT B) Democrats										
say: Democrats in Congress voted for sanctions against Iran and its dangerous nuclear weapons program, and President Obama is working with other countries to increase global support for sanctions and pressure major corporations and countries to stop doing business with Iran. ....										
	23	31	22	18	0	1	4	55	40	15
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	24	30	22	19	0	1	4	54	41	14
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	19	40	24	9	1	-	7	59	33	26

<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
52 (SPLIT A) Democrats										
say: The arrest of the Times Square bomber after only about two days shows the intense focus the Obama administration is placing on combating terrorism. There is no guarantee of foiling every terrorist plot, but this case showed a high degree of cooperation across agencies and personal attention from the highest leaders in the administration.....										
	22	37	18	16	2	1	3	59	34	25
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	22	37	18	17	2	1	3	59	34	25
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	22	36	25	8	3	1	6	57	33	25
(ref:DNSMSGGS)										

Q.53 Now I am going to read you another set of statements about national security, this time from Republicans. For each statement, let me know whether it makes you feel more confident or less confident about the Republicans on national security.

	Much More Conf	Smwt More Conf	Smwt Less Conf	Much Less Conf	No Diff	Both/ Nei ther	DK/ Ref	Total More	Total Less	More - Less
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
53 (SPLIT A) Republicans say: President Obama's new nuclear policy makes America less secure by unilaterally declaring we will not use our nuclear weapons in certain circumstances - even if another country attacked us with biological or chemical weapons of mass destruction. If we are going to deter such attacks, we cannot afford to take our most forceful weapons and options off the table. ....										
	26	18	21	27	1	0	5	45	48	-4
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	27	20	21	26	0	1	6	47	47	0
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	23	10	23	37	2	-	5	33	60	-27

<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
54 (SPLIT B) Republicans say: President Obama convened a big nuclear summit, but has made no real progress against the biggest nuclear threats like Iran and North Korea. If anything, Obama has put America at risk by agreeing to reduce our own nuclear weapons arsenal while North Korea and Iran continue to build up their nuclear programs and develop the capacity to strike America's shores. ....										
	22	17	21	33	1	1	5	39	54	-14
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	24	17	19	33	1	1	5	41	52	-11
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	5	22	32	32	-	-	9	27	64	-37

	Much More Conf	Smwt More Conf	Smwt Less Conf	Much Less Conf	No Diff	Both/ Nei ther	DK/ Ref	Total More	Total Less	More - Less
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
55 (SPLIT A) Republicans say: Obama and the Democrats weakened America by running up huge debts, much of it financed by China, and by ignoring things like our job losses and our foreign energy dependence, which make the U.S. more vulnerable. It's time to get serious about restoring America's strength, beginning at home, by bringing down the debt and tapping more of our domestic energy resources.										
	34	23	17	21	0	1	5	57	38	19
<b>Likely Voters</b>	36	22	17	21	0	1	4	57	38	20
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b>	24	29	16	22	-	-	9	53	38	15

<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
56 (SPLIT A) Republicans say: Obama and the Democrats are making us weaker in the war on terror. They moved away from using military tribunals to try terrorists, and instead want to give terrorists civilian trials - and even read them their Miranda rights. We need to fight terrorism like a war, using our full range of military tools to capture, prosecute, and imprison terrorists who want to kill Americans.										
	34	18	15	25	1	0	6	52	41	11
<b>Likely Voters</b>	35	18	15	26	1	0	6	53	41	12
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b>	28	20	18	23	2	-	9	48	41	7

	Much More Conf	Smwt More Conf	Smwt Less Conf	Much Less Conf	No Diff	Both/ Nei ther	DK/ Ref	Total More	Total Less	More - Less
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
57 (SPLIT A) Republicans say: President Obama has taken America's relations with Israel to the worst point ever. He publicly berated Israel's Prime Minister and escalated a bogus fight with Israel. Israel is America's strongest democratic ally in the Mideast, and we should support Israel, not abandon it. ....										
	29	20	23	21	1	0	6	<b>49</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	31	19	22	21	1	0	6	<b>50</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	20	23	29	22	-	-	6	<b>43</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>-8</b>

<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
58 (SPLIT B) Republicans say: President Obama's defense policies abandon the proven strategy of peace through strength. President Obama thinks the US is to blame for the problems we face around the world, and that we must change our own behavior first to compromise with our enemies. Rather than apologizing, we should be strengthening our defenses against terrorists and rogue states like Iran.....										
	29	21	18	27	0	0	5	<b>50</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	31	20	16	27	0	0	5	<b>51</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	18	25	27	23	-	1	7	<b>43</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>-8</b>

	Much More Conf	Smwt More Conf	Smwt Less Conf	Much Less Conf	No Diff	Both/ Nei ther	DK/ Ref	Total More	Total Less	More - Less
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
59 (SPLIT B) Republicans										
say: We live in a dangerous world with the constant threat of terrorism, but the Obama administration does not have a comprehensive plan to confront and defeat terrorists. We got lucky that the Christmas Day bomber and the attempted car bomb in Times Square failed. But luck is not an effective strategy for fighting terrorism. ....										
	21	23	21	26	1	1	6	44	48	-4
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	21	23	21	27	1	1	5	44	48	-4
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	23	21	26	18	-	2	10	43	45	-1

<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
60 (SPLIT B) Republicans										
say: President Obama's policy of engagement with Iran has brought us nothing. After 16 months, deadlines have come and gone, and the ruling clerics in Iran have bought themselves more time to work on their nuclear program. We've waited long enough. It's time for us to act by putting tougher sanctions on Iran, and even consider military options. ....										
	24	23	19	26	1	1	6	47	45	2
<b>Likely Voters</b> .....	26	23	18	26	1	1	6	48	44	4
<b>Drop-Off Voters</b> .....	14	24	29	22	-	2	8	39	51	-12
(ref:RNSMSGs)										

Q.61 How closely do you follow international relations and the foreign affairs of the United States -- very closely, somewhat closely, not very closely, or not at all closely?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Very closely.....	28	30	15
Somewhat closely .....	53	54	51
Not very closely.....	13	11	22
Not at all closely.....	5	5	9
(Don't know/refused) .....	1	0	3
<b>Total Closely.....</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>66</b>
<b>Total Not closely .....</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>31</b>
(ref:EVENTS)			

Q.62 Are you serving or have you served in the active United States military or have you not been in the military? (IF NO) Is any member of your household currently serving in the active U.S. military or have they served in the past?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Yes: Served in military .....	16	17	9
Household member in service .....	5	4	8
Household member past service .....	22	21	23
No: Neither respondent nor household member in service/has served .....	57	57	60
(Served in the US Reserves) .....	0	0	-
(Don't know/refused) .....	0	0	1
<b>Total military household .....</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>39</b>
(ref:MIL1)			

Q.63 Finally, I would like to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes. What is the last year of schooling that you have completed?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
1 - 11th grade.....	3	3	5
High School graduate .....	24	21	40
Non-college post H.S. ....	1	2	-
Some college .....	28	28	23
College graduate.....	25	26	20
Post-graduate school .....	18	20	10
(Don't know/refused) .....	0	0	1
(ref:EDUC)			

Q.64 And have you or any member of your immediate family been unemployed at some point in the last year? (IF YES) Was that you or a family member who was unemployed?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Yes: Respondent .....	17	15	27
Yes: Family Member .....	24	25	21
No .....	58	59	51
(Dk/Ref).....	1	1	1
<b>Total Yes .....</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>48</b>
(ref:EMPLOY2)			

Q.65 I'm going to read you a list of economic experiences some people have recently had. For each one, please tell me if you have directly experienced this in the last year, if your family has directly experienced this in the last year, or if someone you know well, like a friend, neighbor or co-worker, has experienced this or if no one you know well has experienced it.

	Impct You	Impct Fam	Some one Know	Has Not Impct	(DK/ Ref)	Total Impct
65 Loss of a job.....	14	24	29	30	3	<b>66</b>
<b>Likely Voters.....</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>67</b>
<b>Drop-Off Voters .....</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>65</b>
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>						
66 (SPLIT B) Reduced wages or hours at work.....	19	23	21	33	4	<b>63</b>
<b>Likely Voters.....</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>63</b>
<b>Drop-Off Voters .....</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>64</b>
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>						
67 (SPLIT A) Lost health insurance coverage .....	9	17	18	51	4	<b>45</b>
<b>Likely Voters.....</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>45</b>
<b>Drop-Off Voters .....</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>46</b>
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>						
68 (SPLIT B) Fallen behind on mortgage payments or home was foreclosed on.....	5	11	25	55	4	<b>41</b>
<b>Likely Voters.....</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>42</b>
<b>Drop-Off Voters .....</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>35</b>
69 Got a new job.....	7	21	24	45	4	<b>51</b>
<b>Likely Voters.....</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>Drop-Off Voters .....</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>60</b>
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>						
70 (SPLIT A) Rejoined the job market and began to look for work again.....	11	22	28	35	4	<b>61</b>
<b>Likely Voters.....</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>62</b>
<b>Drop-Off Voters .....</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>56</b>
(ref:ECONIMPC)						

Q.71 Are you a member of a labor union? (IF NO) Is any member of your household a union member?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Likely Voters</b>	<b>Drop-Off Voters</b>
Yes: Respondent belongs.....	12	12	9
Household member.....	8	8	6
No member belongs.....	77	77	79
(Don't know/Refused).....	3	3	5
<b>Union Household</b> .....	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>16</b>
(ref:UNION)			

Q.72 Are you married, single, separated, divorced, or widowed?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Likely Voters</b>	<b>Drop-Off Voters</b>
Married.....	60	62	47
Single.....	18	16	32
Separated/Divorced.....	11	11	12
Widowed.....	8	9	5
(Don't know/refused).....	3	3	4
<b>Sep/Div/Wid</b> .....	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>17</b>
(ref:MARITAL)			

Q.73 Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican or what?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Likely Voters</b>	<b>Drop-Off Voters</b>
Strong Democrat.....	25	26	19
Weak Democrat.....	12	10	26
Independent-lean Democrat.....	9	10	9
Independent.....	7	7	10
Independent-lean Republican.....	13	14	7
Weak Republican.....	10	10	10
Strong Republican.....	20	22	12
(Don't know/refused).....	3	3	8
(ref:PTYID1)			

Q.76 Thinking in political terms, would you say that you are Conservative, Moderate, or Liberal?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Likely Voters</b>	<b>Drop-Off Voters</b>
Liberal.....	20	19	23
Moderate.....	32	32	36
Conservative.....	42	43	32
(Don't know/refused).....	6	6	8
(ref:IDEO1)			

**[147 Respondents]**

Q.77 (ASK IN CELL SAMPLE ONLY) Now, thinking about your telephone use, is there at least one telephone INSIDE your home that is currently working and is not a cell phone?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Likely Voters</b>	<b>Drop-Off Voters</b>
Yes.....	32	30	39
No .....	68	70	61
(DK/Refused) .....	-	-	-
(ref:LANDLINE)			

**[853 Respondents]**

Q.78 (ASK IN LANDLINE SAMPLE ONLY) Now thinking about your telephone use, do you have a working cell phone?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Likely Voters</b>	<b>Drop-Off Voters</b>
Yes.....	81	83	73
No .....	15	14	23
(DK/Refused) .....	3	3	4
(ref:CELLLINE)			

**[742 Respondents]**

Q.79 (DO NOT ASK IF NO IN LANDLINE) (DO NOT ASK IF NO OR DK/REF IN CELLLINE) Of all the personal telephone calls that you receive, do you get..

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Likely Voters</b>	<b>Drop-Off Voters</b>
All or almost all calls on a cell phone .....	20	19	29
Some on a cell phone and some on a regular home phone .....	41	40	46
All or almost all calls on a regular home phone .....	38	40	22
(DK/Refused) .....	2	1	4
(ref:DUALUSE)			

Phone Use Table

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Likely Voters</b>	<b>Drop-Off Voters</b>
Cell Only .....	10	10	13
Cell Mostly .....	15	14	19
Dual User .....	30	30	30
Landline Mostly .....	28	30	14
Landline Only .....	13	12	18
Landline Unknown .....	4	4	6
<b>Cell Mostly (from Cell Sample) .....</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Cell Mostly (from Landline Sample) .....</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>

Q.80 How often do you attend religious services -- more than once a week, once a week, once or twice a month, several times a year, or hardly ever?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
More than once a week.....	13	13	12
Once a week.....	26	27	17
Once or twice a month.....	14	13	16
Several times a year.....	10	10	10
Hardly ever.....	27	26	37
(Never).....	5	6	1
(Don't know/Refused).....	4	4	6
<b>More than/Once a week.....</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>29</b>

(ref:RELIG2)

**[985 Respondents]**

Q.81 (ASK IF VOTED IN VOTE08) In the 2008 election for president, did you vote for Democrat Barack Obama or Republican John McCain?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Democrat Barack Obama.....	47	45	57
Republican John McCain.....	43	44	31
(Ralph Nader).....	0	-	2
(Bob Barr).....	-	-	-
(Other).....	2	2	2
(Don't know/Refused).....	8	8	9

(ref:VOTE2008)

**[985 Respondents]**

Q.82 (ASK IF VOTED IN VOTE08) In the 2008 election for Congress, did you vote for (2008 HOUSE DEMOCRAT) or (2008 HOUSE REPUBLICAN)<sup>5</sup>?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
(2008 HOUSE DEMOCRAT).....	41	42	38
(2008 HOUSE REPUBLICAN).....	41	43	30
(Other candidate).....	3	3	2
(Did Not Vote for Congress).....	3	2	11
(Don't know/Refused).....	11	10	18

(ref:VTCG2008)

<sup>5</sup> Actual candidate names were inserted preceded by party identifications for all districts. In unopposed districts, a generic candidate was used as the opposition. In the cell sample, “the Democratic candidate” and “the Republican candidate” were used.

Q.83 What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
White.....	75	76	67
African-American or Black .....	11	10	15
Hispanic or Latino .....	6	6	6
Native American.....	2	1	3
Asian.....	1	1	4
(Other).....	1	1	2
(Don't know/Refused).....	5	4	5
(ref:RACETHN)			

Q.85 Last year, that is in 2009, what was your total family income from all sources, before taxes? Just stop me when I get to the right category.

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Less than \$10K.....	5	4	15
\$10K to under \$20K.....	7	7	8
\$20K to under \$30K.....	8	7	10
\$30K to under \$50K.....	16	16	19
\$50K to under \$75K.....	16	17	14
\$75K to under \$100K.....	14	14	8
\$100K or more .....	14	15	6
(Refused) .....	13	13	11
(Don't know).....	6	6	9
(ref:INCOME)			

Q.2 Respondent's gender

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
Male .....	47	48	43
Female.....	53	52	57
(ref:GENDER)			

Q.6 In what year were you born?

	Total	Likely Voters	Drop-Off Voters
18 - 24.....	6	6	12
25 - 29.....	9	8	12
30 - 34.....	7	7	7
35 - 39.....	8	7	14
40 - 44.....	7	7	8
45 - 49.....	10	9	11
50 - 54.....	8	8	6
55 - 59.....	11	11	8
60 - 64.....	11	12	7
Over 64 .....	23	24	14
(No answer) .....	1	0	1
(ref:AGE)			