

RESURGENT REPUBLIC
NATIONAL SURVEY OF REGISTERED VOTERS 55 AND OLDER
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Hello, this is ___ with Ayres, McHenry & Associates, a national public opinion research company. We're talking with people in your area today about some issues facing the country. We are not trying to sell anything, your answers are completely confidential, and we would really appreciate your cooperation (DO NOT PAUSE).

A. May I please speak with an adult in the household, age 55 or older, who is registered to vote?

YES/ON THE PHONE GO TO QUESTION B
 YES/RETRIEVES RESPONDENT GO TO INTRO
 NO REGISTERED VOTERS THANK AND CLOSE

B. Just to confirm, are you 55 or older and registered to vote in the county in which you live?

YES GO TO QUESTION C
 NO THANK AND CLOSE

C. How likely would you say you are to vote in the elections for Congress next year: absolutely certain, very likely, somewhat likely, or not too likely?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN	71%	76%	71%	65%
VERY LIKELY	22%	18%	22%	25%
SOMEWHAT LIKELY	5%	2%	4%	7%
NOT TOO LIKELY	3%	4%	3%	3%

The Economy and the Federal Government

1. What is your greatest personal financial concern today (ROTATE: losing your job, paying for health care costs, paying your mortgage or rent, paying your taxes, or paying for retirement)?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
LOSING JOB	5%	5%	7%	3%
HEALTH CARE COSTS	40%	34%	42%	43%
MORTGAGE/RENT	9%	9%	6%	11%
TAXES	14%	20%	14%	11%
RETIREMENT	17%	20%	18%	15%
SOMETHING ELSE (VOLUNTEERED)	4%	3%	4%	4%
NO FINANCIAL CONCERNS (VOLUNTEERED)	8%	6%	7%	10%
DON'T KNOW	2%	2%	3%	3%

2. Would you say you have or have not saved enough for retirement?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
HAVE SAVED ENOUGH	49%	50%	50%	46%
HAVE NOT SAVED ENOUGH	42%	42%	41%	44%
DON'T KNOW	9%	8%	9%	10%

Results are based on 1,000 cases, Margin of Error = ±3.1 percent. MoE for Republicans = ±6.2%, MoE for Independents = ±4.9%, and MoE for Democrats = ±5.4%. Totals may not equal 100 percent due to rounding.

3. What would you say is the most important problem facing the United States today, that is, the one you are most concerned about (DO NOT READ RESPONSES)?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
ECONOMY/UNEMPLOYMENT/JOBS	27%	23%	24%	34%
HEALTH CARE COST/ACCESS/QUALITY	18%	15%	17%	23%
GOVERNMENT SPENDING/DEFICIT	10%	20%	12%	3%
FINANCIAL BAILOUTS/AUTO BAILOUTS	1%	1%	1%	1%
ENERGY/DEPENDENCE ON FOREIGN OIL	1%	0%	1%	1%
ENERGY/CLIMATE CHANGE/ENVIRONMENT	1%	0%	1%	1%
IRAQ.....	2%	1%	2%	4%
AFGHANISTAN	4%	1%	4%	7%
TERRORISM.....	2%	2%	2%	2%
IMMIGRATION/ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION	1%	2%	2%	1%
ETHICS/CORRUPTION IN GOVERNMENT	3%	3%	3%	2%
TAXES.....	1%	2%	2%	0%
GUNS/GUN RIGHTS	0%	0%	0%	0%
EDUCATION	0%	0%	1%	0%
CRIME/DRUGS	1%	1%	1%	0%
WELFARE.....	0%	0%	0%	0%
MORALITY/TRADITIONAL VALUES	1%	1%	2%	1%
OTHER (WRITE IN).....	24%	29%	26%	18%
DON'T KNOW/REFUSED	3%	0%	3%	4%

4. Do you think the (ROTATE: Republicans or the Democrats) are better able to handle the problem you are most concerned about?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
REPUBLICANS	34%	75%	35%	3%
DEMOCRATS.....	31%	2%	19%	69%
NEITHER ONE	26%	19%	34%	21%
DON'T KNOW	9%	5%	12%	7%

5. Which do you think is a higher priority for the federal government right now (ROTATE: spending more to help the economy recover, or spending less to reduce the budget deficit)?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
SPENDING MORE TO HELP ECONOMY	40%	20%	35%	62%
SPENDING LESS TO REDUCE DEFICIT.....	51%	76%	54%	28%
DON'T KNOW	9%	4%	11%	11%

6. In general, would you prefer (ROTATE: larger government with more services and higher taxes, or smaller government with fewer services and lower taxes)?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
LARGER GOVERNMENT/HIGHER TAXES	20%	5%	14%	40%
SMALLER GOVERNMENT/LOWER TAXES.....	70%	94%	75%	46%
DON'T KNOW	10%	2%	12%	14%

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7. Which of the following statements about the role of government comes closer to your view: (ROTATE)

- a. Government should do more to solve problems and help meet the needs of people.
- b. Government is trying to do more things than it can do well, things that should be left to the private sector and individuals.

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
GOVERNMENT SHOULD DO MORE	43%	22%	34%	70%
GOVERNMENT IS DOING TOO MANY THINGS	53%	76%	61%	26%
DON'T KNOW	4%	2%	5%	5%

8. How concerned are you about the federal government's current level of spending and debt: very concerned, somewhat concerned, not too concerned, or not at all concerned?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
VERY CONCERNED	68%	93%	71%	47%
SOMEWHAT CONCERNED	22%	5%	21%	36%
NOT TOO CONCERNED	6%	0%	5%	11%
NOT AT ALL CONCERNED	3%	0%	2%	5%
DON'T KNOW	1%	1%	1%	1%

9. Who do you think is more responsible for the current state of the American economy (ROTATE: the Bush Administration, or the Obama Administration)?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
BUSH ADMINISTRATION	47%	13%	42%	82%
OBAMA ADMINISTRATION	34%	62%	35%	11%
BOTH EQUAL (VOLUNTEERED)	9%	13%	12%	3%
NEITHER ONE (VOLUNTEERED)	7%	9%	8%	2%
DON'T KNOW	3%	4%	3%	3%

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Now I would like to read you several pairs of statements that might be made by congressmen about the federal government's current fiscal policies, and have you tell me, for each pair, which one you agree with more. *IF ANSWERED, ASK:* Do you strongly agree with that statement or somewhat agree with that statement? (ROTATE QUESTIONS, AND ROTATE STATEMENTS A AND B)

		STRONG AGREE STMT A	SMWHT AGREE STMT A	NOT SURE/ DON'T KNOW (VOL)	SMWHT AGREE STMT B	STRONG AGREE STMT B
10. Congressman A says the federal budget brought us back from the brink of a depression, and was the right thing to do for the good of the country.	ALL	20%	15%	5%	14%	46%
	REP	6%	9%	1%	12%	72%
	IND	18%	13%	5%	15%	50%
	DEM	34%	23%	5%	14%	23%
Congressman B says the federal budget spends too much, taxes too much, and borrows too much.						
11. Congressman A says the stimulus spending is working, and should continue to be spent as originally authorized.	ALL	19%	17%	7%	13%	44%
	REP	6%	8%	4%	14%	68%
	IND	15%	17%	6%	14%	48%
	DEM	35%	23%	10%	12%	20%
Congressman B says the stimulus spending is not working, and unspent funds should be returned to reduce the deficit.						
12. Congressman A says federal spending is creating many government and private sector jobs, and avoiding numerous layoffs in state and local governments.	ALL	16%	18%	13%	17%	36%
	REP	7%	9%	8%	20%	56%
	IND	11%	17%	13%	19%	40%
	DEM	30%	27%	15%	13%	15%
Congressman B says federal spending creates mainly government jobs, and makes it harder to generate more desirable private sector jobs.						
13. Congressman A says the nation's high level of debt is a temporary response to an economic crisis, and can only be addressed after the economy turns around.	ALL	17%	14%	6%	15%	48%
	REP	7%	6%	2%	14%	70%
	IND	14%	15%	6%	15%	50%
	DEM	28%	20%	8%	15%	29%
Congressman B says the nation's high level of debt is a serious burden that will limit economic growth in this country for our children and grandchildren, and must be addressed now.						

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Health Care

Here are a few questions about health care.

14. Do you currently have health insurance coverage?

IF YES, ASK: Is it provided by an employer, by Medicare, by Medicaid, or do you pay for health insurance yourself?

IF MEDICARE, ASK: Do you have regular Medicare only, regular Medicare with a supplemental policy provided by an employer, regular Medicare with a supplemental policy you pay for, or Medicare Advantage?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
NO COVERAGE	5%	3%	5%	6%
EMPLOYER PLAN	33%	31%	36%	33%
REGULAR MEDICARE ONLY	8%	7%	8%	10%
REGULAR MEDICARE/EMPLOYER SUPPLEM	9%	10%	9%	8%
REGULAR MEDICARE/INDIV PAID SUPPLEM	16%	16%	16%	15%
MEDICARE ADVANTAGE	6%	9%	6%	5%
MEDICAID	3%	2%	3%	4%
PAY FOR INSURANCE PERSONALLY	16%	18%	16%	14%
DON'T KNOW	4%	5%	3%	4%

15. Which health care priority do you think the country should focus on first (ROTATE: improving the quality of health care, lowering the costs of health care, or covering more of the uninsured)?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
QUALITY	18%	18%	20%	16%
COSTS	45%	60%	45%	35%
COVERAGE	28%	11%	25%	44%
DON'T KNOW	9%	11%	9%	6%

16. Which health care priority do you think is the top priority for President Obama (ROTATE: improving the quality of health care, lowering the costs of health care, or covering more of the uninsured)?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
QUALITY	14%	12%	15%	12%
COSTS	32%	40%	32%	27%
COVERAGE	43%	33%	42%	53%
DON'T KNOW	12%	15%	12%	8%

17. Overall, do you support or oppose the health care reforms being debated in Congress? (IF SUPPORT/OPPOSE, ASK: Would that be strongly (SUPPORT/OPPOSE) or just somewhat (SUPPORT/OPPOSE)?)

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
STRONGLY SUPPORT	25%	4%	19%	49%
SOMEWHAT SUPPORT	14%	5%	14%	21%
SOMEWHAT OPPOSE	8%	13%	8%	4%
STRONGLY OPPOSE	40%	70%	44%	12%
DON'T KNOW	13%	9%	14%	14%

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18. Do you think passing the health care reforms being debated in Congress will help the economy, hurt the economy, or have no effect?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
HELP.....	27%	5%	17%	54%
HURT.....	45%	77%	51%	14%
NO EFFECT.....	18%	13%	21%	19%
DON'T KNOW.....	10%	5%	11%	13%

Do you think the health care reforms being debated in Congress will increase, decrease, or have no effect on each of the following: (RANDOMIZE)

		<i>INCREASE</i>	<i>DECREASE</i>	<i>NO EFFECT</i>	<i>DON'T KNOW</i>
19. Your health care costs	<i>ALL</i>	61%	14%	19%	6%
	<i>REP</i>	78%	8%	11%	3%
	<i>IND</i>	66%	12%	16%	6%
	<i>DEM</i>	43%	22%	28%	7%
20. The federal deficit	<i>ALL</i>	68%	7%	15%	9%
	<i>REP</i>	84%	3%	8%	5%
	<i>IND</i>	77%	5%	12%	6%
	<i>DEM</i>	46%	13%	25%	16%
21. Your health insurance or Medicare premiums	<i>ALL</i>	61%	13%	18%	8%
	<i>REP</i>	70%	11%	13%	7%
	<i>IND</i>	67%	10%	16%	7%
	<i>DEM</i>	46%	17%	26%	11%
22. Your taxes	<i>ALL</i>	76%	3%	15%	6%
	<i>REP</i>	89%	2%	6%	3%
	<i>IND</i>	80%	2%	14%	5%
	<i>DEM</i>	62%	4%	24%	11%
23. The quality of health care you receive	<i>ALL</i>	22%	41%	30%	8%
	<i>REP</i>	17%	61%	16%	6%
	<i>IND</i>	16%	48%	29%	7%
	<i>DEM</i>	33%	15%	41%	11%

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Do you support or oppose each of the following proposals to fund health care reform: (RANDOMIZE)

		<i>SUPPORT</i>	<i>OPPOSE</i>	<i>DON'T KNOW</i>
24. Cutting Medicare by 400 billion dollars	<i>ALL</i>	11%	81%	8%
	<i>REP</i>	3%	92%	5%
	<i>IND</i>	13%	79%	8%
	<i>DEM</i>	15%	76%	9%
25. Cutting or eliminating Medicare Advantage	<i>ALL</i>	14%	60%	26%
	<i>REP</i>	8%	68%	25%
	<i>IND</i>	12%	61%	26%
	<i>DEM</i>	21%	53%	27%
26. Taxing employer-provided health care benefits that are worth over 8 thousand 5 hundred dollars a year for individuals or over 23 thousand dollars a year for a family	<i>ALL</i>	24%	63%	14%
	<i>REP</i>	13%	76%	10%
	<i>IND</i>	20%	67%	13%
	<i>DEM</i>	36%	47%	17%
27. Increasing Medicare payroll taxes	<i>ALL</i>	27%	63%	11%
	<i>REP</i>	12%	78%	11%
	<i>IND</i>	27%	64%	10%
	<i>DEM</i>	39%	49%	11%
28. Taxing elective cosmetic surgery	<i>ALL</i>	52%	40%	8%
	<i>REP</i>	39%	49%	11%
	<i>IND</i>	52%	42%	6%
	<i>DEM</i>	61%	32%	7%

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Which of the following statements do you agree with more? *IF ANSWERED, ASK*: Do you strongly agree with that statement or somewhat agree with that statement? (ROTATE QUESTIONS, AND ROTATE STATEMENTS A AND B)

	<i>STRONG AGREE STMT A</i>	<i>SMWHT AGREE STMT A</i>	<i>NOT SURE/ DON'T KNOW (VOL)</i>	<i>SMWHT AGREE STMT B</i>	<i>STRONG AGREE STMT B</i>
29. Congressman A says cutting Medicare spending by 400 billion dollars is a good idea. It will cut out waste, require doctors and hospitals to charge less, and strengthen Medicare for the future.	<i>ALL</i> 13%	11%	9%	16%	51%
	<i>REP</i> 10%	5%	6%	17%	63%
	<i>IND</i> 9%	12%	10%	16%	53%
	<i>DEM</i> 19%	17%	10%	16%	38%

Congressman B says cutting Medicare spending by 400 billion dollars is a bad idea. It will severely cut Medicare Advantage, cause rural hospitals to close, and make it harder for seniors to find doctors willing to treat them.

30. Congressman A says abortion should be allowed in a government-run health insurance plan, and abortion should be covered in federally-subsidized plans if patients pay for it themselves, because if abortion is legal it should be covered under government health plans.	<i>ALL</i> 23%	11%	9%	10%	48%
	<i>REP</i> 8%	8%	7%	9%	69%
	<i>IND</i> 22%	9%	10%	9%	50%
	<i>DEM</i> 37%	14%	9%	10%	30%

Congressman B says abortions should not be allowed in a government-run health insurance plan, and abortions should not be covered by an insurance plan that receives federal subsidies, because it means taxpayers who object to abortion are forced to subsidize abortion.

31. Congressman A says when a government task force recommends that women delay getting mammograms until age 50, we should follow their advice to reduce costs and eliminate unnecessary tests and radiation exposure.	<i>ALL</i> 15%	11%	12%	13%	50%
	<i>REP</i> 12%	8%	8%	11%	61%
	<i>IND</i> 15%	9%	12%	13%	52%
	<i>DEM</i> 18%	14%	14%	16%	38%

Congressman B says when a government task force recommends that women delay getting mammograms until age 50, we should treat their advice skeptically because they could be more concerned about saving the government money than improving women's health.

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National Security and Foreign Affairs

Here are a few questions about national security and foreign affairs.

32. Overall, would you say President Obama's national security and foreign relations policies have made America safer, less safe, or had no effect on our safety?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
SAFER	30%	5%	25%	55%
LESS SAFE	33%	55%	38%	9%
NO EFFECT	31%	35%	31%	29%
DON'T KNOW/REFUSED.....	6%	5%	6%	7%

33. As you may know, President Obama has made a decision to send 30 thousand more troops to Afghanistan. Do you approve or disapprove of that decision?

IF APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE, ASK: Would that be strongly (approve/disapprove), or just somewhat (approve/disapprove)?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
STRONGLY APPROVE.....	39%	53%	37%	31%
SOMEWHAT APPROVE.....	23%	23%	24%	21%
SOMEWHAT DISAPPROVE.....	8%	2%	9%	13%
STRONGLY DISAPPROVE	24%	17%	23%	30%
DON'T KNOW	6%	5%	7%	5%

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Which of the following statements do you agree with more? *IF ANSWERED, ASK*: Do you strongly agree with that statement or somewhat agree with that statement? (ROTATE QUESTIONS, AND ROTATE STATEMENTS A AND B)

	STRONG AGREE STMT A	SMWHT AGREE STMT A	NOT SURE/ DON'T KNOW (VOL)	SMWHT AGREE STMT B	STRONG AGREE STMT B
34. Congressman A says holding prisoners at Guantanamo Bay weakens America's moral authority and isn't in keeping with our values.	ALL 19%	10%	9%	11%	51%
	REP 6%	3%	4%	11%	76%
	IND 17%	11%	7%	10%	54%
	DEM 30%	15%	14%	13%	28%
Congressman B says holding prisoners at Guantanamo Bay helps protect America by keeping terrorists in custody who would kill Americans overseas.					
35. Congressman A says putting suspected 9-11 terrorists on trial in New York City instead of a military tribunal is a good idea, because it shows that America provides the same rights to everyone, including those suspected of the worst crimes, and a visible, open trial will prove to the world any convictions are deserved.	ALL 23%	11%	7%	10%	49%
	REP 12%	3%	4%	7%	75%
	IND 19%	11%	5%	11%	54%
	DEM 36%	18%	11%	11%	25%
Congressman B says putting suspected 9-11 terrorists on trial in New York City instead of a military tribunal is a bad idea, because it elevates New York City as a terrorism target, will expose confidential intelligence-gathering methods, and gives terrorists captured on the battlefield the same rights as American citizens.					

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Name IDs

I would like to read you a list of names and have you tell me, for each one, whether you've heard of that person or group and, if so, whether you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of them. If you haven't heard of the person or group, just say so (RANDOMIZE):

IF FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE: Would that be very (FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE) or just somewhat (FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE)?

		<i>VERY FAV</i>	<i>SMWHT FAV</i>	<i>SMWHT UNFAV</i>	<i>VERY UNFAV</i>	<i>NO OPINION</i>	<i>NEVER HEARD OF</i>
36. Barack Obama	<i>ALL</i>	35%	18%	13%	29%	5%	0%
	<i>REP</i>	4%	14%	25%	51%	5%	1%
	<i>IND</i>	25%	21%	14%	34%	6%	0%
	<i>DEM</i>	70%	19%	2%	5%	3%	0%
37. Nancy Pelosi	<i>ALL</i>	14%	20%	9%	44%	7%	7%
	<i>REP</i>	2%	5%	8%	78%	2%	5%
	<i>IND</i>	9%	18%	12%	51%	7%	3%
	<i>DEM</i>	29%	34%	5%	10%	10%	12%
38. Harry Reid	<i>ALL</i>	6%	16%	8%	29%	11%	30%
	<i>REP</i>	2%	4%	8%	54%	8%	24%
	<i>IND</i>	5%	15%	9%	32%	11%	29%
	<i>DEM</i>	12%	25%	7%	5%	14%	37%
39. Republicans in Congress	<i>ALL</i>	14%	32%	20%	22%	11%	2%
	<i>REP</i>	33%	49%	10%	3%	3%	2%
	<i>IND</i>	10%	34%	24%	17%	14%	1%
	<i>DEM</i>	4%	17%	22%	43%	11%	3%
40. Democrats in Congress	<i>ALL</i>	17%	27%	15%	30%	10%	1%
	<i>REP</i>	3%	9%	22%	58%	6%	2%
	<i>IND</i>	8%	28%	19%	33%	12%	1%
	<i>DEM</i>	38%	42%	5%	5%	9%	1%

Demographics

Now I have a few questions just for statistical purposes.

41. In politics today, do you normally think of yourself as (ROTATE: a Republican, an independent, or a Democrat)?

IF "REPUBLICAN" OR "DEMOCRAT", ASK: Would you consider yourself a strong or a not-so-strong Republican/Democrat?	STRONG REPUBLICAN	18%
	NOT-SO-STRONG REPUBLICAN	7%
	IND LEAN REPUBLICAN	14%
	INDEPENDENT/NO PREF	17%
IF "INDEPENDENT," ASK: Do you think of yourself as closer to the (ROTATE: Republican or Democratic Party)?	IND LEAN DEMOCRAT	10%
	NOT-SO-STRONG DEMOCRAT	9%
	STRONG DEMOCRAT	23%
	REFUSED.....	3%

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42. When thinking about politics today, do you normally consider yourself to be (ROTATE: very conservative, somewhat conservative, moderate, somewhat liberal, or very liberal)?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
VERY CONSERVATIVE.....	21%	46%	17%	8%
SOMEWHAT CONSERVATIVE.....	27%	36%	32%	14%
MODERATE.....	27%	13%	34%	28%
SOMEWHAT LIBERAL.....	15%	3%	12%	30%
VERY LIBERAL.....	6%	1%	3%	14%
NO OPINION.....	4%	2%	3%	7%

43. Are you a member of AARP, the American Association of Retired Persons?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
YES.....	48%	40%	51%	54%
NO.....	50%	59%	48%	45%
DON'T KNOW.....	1%	2%	1%	0%

44. Would you please stop me when I read the correct category for your age?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
55 TO 59.....	25%	27%	24%	24%
60 TO 64.....	27%	21%	30%	28%
65 TO 74.....	28%	31%	27%	27%
75 TO 84.....	16%	16%	15%	17%
85 OR OLDER.....	4%	5%	4%	3%

45. Do you have retirement savings other than Social Security like a pension plan, an IRA, a 401K, a savings or money market account, or other investments in bonds and the stock market? ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
PENSION PLAN.....	42%	39%	45%	41%
IRA.....	36%	37%	39%	33%
401K.....	29%	33%	30%	25%
SAVINGS/MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT.....	32%	35%	33%	28%
BONDS/STOCK MARKET.....	27%	33%	28%	23%
NO SAVINGS.....	15%	14%	10%	22%
OTHER.....	10%	7%	11%	11%
DON'T KNOW/REFUSED (DO NOT READ).....	9%	9%	10%	7%

46. Would you please stop me when I read the correct category for your total household income?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
\$25,000 OR LESS.....	15%	11%	13%	22%
\$25,000 TO \$50,000.....	23%	21%	23%	26%
\$50,000 TO \$75,000.....	19%	22%	20%	15%
\$75,000 TO \$100,000.....	12%	11%	12%	12%
\$100,000 TO \$150,000.....	8%	10%	9%	6%
\$150,000 TO \$250,000.....	3%	4%	3%	2%
\$250,000 OR MORE.....	1%	1%	1%	1%
REFUSED.....	20%	20%	21%	16%

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47. What are your main sources of information about politics and government? (READ AND ALLOW UP TO THREE RESPONSES)

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
NEWSPAPERS	58%	55%	58%	60%
INTERNET NEWS SITES	24%	22%	27%	20%
INTERNET POLITICAL BLOGS	3%	2%	3%	2%
RADIO NEWS.....	18%	19%	20%	15%
TALK RADIO PROGRAMS	11%	16%	11%	6%
BROADCAST TELEVISION NEWS.....	37%	36%	38%	37%
CABLE TELEVISION	59%	60%	58%	58%
LETTERS AND BROCHURES IN THE MAIL.....	4%	5%	4%	4%
OTHER	7%	7%	8%	7%
DON'T KNOW (DO NOT READ).....	1%	0%	1%	2%
REFUSED (DO NOT READ).....	1%	0%	0%	0%

48. Do you consider yourself to be (ROTATE: pro-life or pro-choice) on the issue of abortion?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
PRO-LIFE	47%	69%	45%	32%
PRO-CHOICE	43%	23%	47%	57%
DON'T KNOW/REFUSED.....	10%	8%	8%	12%

49. Would you call yourself an Evangelical Christian or not?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
YES	42%	62%	36%	35%
NO.....	51%	31%	57%	59%
DON'T KNOW (DNR).....	6%	6%	5%	6%
REFUSED (DNR).....	2%	1%	2%	1%

50. How often do you attend worship services? Would you say (READ – ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM/BOTTOM TO TOP)

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
NEVER	15%	9%	18%	17%
A FEW TIMES A YEAR	21%	18%	24%	20%
A FEW TIMES A MONTH.....	10%	9%	10%	12%
ALMOST EVERY WEEK	8%	11%	8%	7%
EVERY WEEK.....	31%	34%	28%	33%
MORE THAN ONCE A WEEK.....	11%	17%	9%	9%
DON'T KNOW (DNR).....	1%	0%	1%	1%
REFUSED (DNR).....	2%	2%	2%	2%

51. Are you from a Hispanic or Spanish-speaking background?

IF NO, ASK: What would you say is your main race: white, African American, Asian, or something else?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
YES/HISPANIC	7%	5%	6%	11%
NO/WHITE.....	78%	92%	84%	61%
NO/BLACK/AFRICAN AMERICAN	10%	0%	4%	24%
NO/ASIAN	0%	0%	0%	0%
NO/OTHER	3%	3%	4%	3%
REFUSED.....	1%	0%	2%	2%

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52. In what state do you live? _____

53. In what county/parish do you live? _____

54. Gender (from observation):

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
MALE	46%	44%	53%	40%
FEMALE.....	54%	56%	47%	60%

That's all the questions I have. Thank you very much for sharing your opinions with us.

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