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**JANUARY 2010 POLITICAL SURVEY**  
**FINAL TOPLINE**  
**January 6-10, 2010**  
**N=1,504**

**RANDOMIZE Q.1/Q.1a BLOCK AND Q.2**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.1 Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President? **[IF DK ENTER AS DK. IF DEPENDS PROBE ONCE WITH: Overall do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President? IF STILL DEPENDS ENTER AS DK]**

|                    | <u>Approve</u> | <u>Dis-<br/>approve</u> | <u>(VOL.)<br/>DK/Ref</u> |
|--------------------|----------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Jan 6-10, 2010     | 49             | 42                      | 10                       |
| Dec 9-13, 2009     | 49             | 40                      | 11                       |
| Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009 | 51             | 36                      | 13                       |
| Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009 | 52             | 36                      | 12                       |
| Sep 10-15, 2009    | 55             | 33                      | 13                       |
| Aug 20-27, 2009    | 52             | 37                      | 12                       |
| Aug 11-17, 2009    | 51             | 37                      | 11                       |
| Jul 22-26, 2009    | 54             | 34                      | 12                       |
| Jun 10-14, 2009    | 61             | 30                      | 9                        |
| Apr 14-21, 2009    | 63             | 26                      | 11                       |
| Mar 31-Apr 6, 2009 | 61             | 26                      | 13                       |
| Mar 9-12, 2009     | 59             | 26                      | 15                       |
| Feb 4-8, 2009      | 64             | 17                      | 19                       |

**ASK IF APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE (1,2 IN Q.1) [N=1355]:**

Q.1a Do you [approve/disapprove] very strongly, or not so strongly?

**BASED ON TOTAL:**

| <u>Jan 6-10<br/>2010</u> |                           | <u>Apr 14-21<br/>2009</u> |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| 49                       | Approve                   | 63                        |
| 30                       | Very strongly             | 45                        |
| 15                       | Not so strongly           | 13                        |
| 3                        | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) | 5                         |
| 42                       | Disapprove                | 26                        |
| 30                       | Very strongly             | 18                        |
| 11                       | Not so strongly           | 8                         |
| 1                        | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) | *                         |
| 10                       | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) | 11                        |

# **RANDOMIZE Q.1/Q.1a BLOCK AND Q.2**

## **ASK ALL:**

Q.2 All in all, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way things are going in this country today?

|                              | Satis-<br><u>fied</u> | Dis-<br><u>satisfied</u> | (VOL.)<br><u>DK/Ref</u> |                                       | Satis-<br><u>fied</u> | Dis-<br><u>satisfied</u> | (VOL.)<br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Jan 6-10, 2010               | 27                    | 69                       | 4                       | October, 2003                         | 38                    | 56                       | 6                       |
| Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009           | 25                    | 67                       | 7                       | August, 2003                          | 40                    | 53                       | 7                       |
| Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009           | 25                    | 67                       | 7                       | <i>April 8, 2003</i>                  | 50                    | 41                       | 9                       |
| Sep 10-15, 2009 <sup>1</sup> | 30                    | 64                       | 7                       | January, 2003                         | 44                    | 50                       | 6                       |
| Aug 20-27, 2009              | 28                    | 65                       | 7                       | November, 2002                        | 41                    | 48                       | 11                      |
| Aug 11-17, 2009              | 28                    | 65                       | 7                       | September, 2002                       | 41                    | 55                       | 4                       |
| Jul 22-26, 2009              | 28                    | 66                       | 6                       | Late August, 2002                     | 47                    | 44                       | 9                       |
| Jun 10-14, 2009              | 30                    | 64                       | 5                       | May, 2002                             | 44                    | 44                       | 12                      |
| Apr 28-May 12, 2009          | 34                    | 58                       | 8                       | March, 2002                           | 50                    | 40                       | 10                      |
| Apr 14-21, 2009              | 23                    | 70                       | 7                       | Late September, 2001                  | 57                    | 34                       | 9                       |
| Jan 7-11, 2009               | 20                    | 73                       | 7                       | Early September, 2001                 | 41                    | 53                       | 6                       |
| December, 2008               | 13                    | 83                       | 4                       | June, 2001                            | 43                    | 52                       | 5                       |
| Early October, 2008          | 11                    | 86                       | 3                       | March, 2001                           | 47                    | 45                       | 8                       |
| Mid-September, 2008          | 25                    | 69                       | 6                       | February, 2001                        | 46                    | 43                       | 11                      |
| August, 2008                 | 21                    | 74                       | 5                       | January, 2001                         | 55                    | 41                       | 4                       |
| July, 2008                   | 19                    | 74                       | 7                       | October, 2000 (RVs)                   | 54                    | 39                       | 7                       |
| June, 2008                   | 19                    | 76                       | 5                       | September, 2000                       | 51                    | 41                       | 8                       |
| Late May, 2008               | 18                    | 76                       | 6                       | June, 2000                            | 47                    | 45                       | 8                       |
| March, 2008                  | 22                    | 72                       | 6                       | April, 2000                           | 48                    | 43                       | 9                       |
| Early February, 2008         | 24                    | 70                       | 6                       | August, 1999                          | 56                    | 39                       | 5                       |
| Late December, 2007          | 27                    | 66                       | 7                       | January, 1999                         | 53                    | 41                       | 6                       |
| October, 2007                | 28                    | 66                       | 6                       | November, 1998                        | 46                    | 44                       | 10                      |
| February, 2007               | 30                    | 61                       | 9                       | Early September, 1998                 | 54                    | 42                       | 4                       |
| Mid-January, 2007            | 32                    | 61                       | 7                       | Late August, 1998                     | 55                    | 41                       | 4                       |
| Early January, 2007          | 30                    | 63                       | 7                       | Early August, 1998                    | 50                    | 44                       | 6                       |
| December, 2006               | 28                    | 65                       | 7                       | February, 1998                        | 59                    | 37                       | 4                       |
| Mid-November, 2006           | 28                    | 64                       | 8                       | January, 1998                         | 46                    | 50                       | 4                       |
| Early October, 2006          | 30                    | 63                       | 7                       | September, 1997                       | 45                    | 49                       | 6                       |
| July, 2006                   | 30                    | 65                       | 5                       | August, 1997                          | 49                    | 46                       | 5                       |
| May, 2006*                   | 29                    | 65                       | 6                       | January, 1997                         | 38                    | 58                       | 4                       |
| March, 2006                  | 32                    | 63                       | 5                       | July, 1996                            | 29                    | 67                       | 4                       |
| January, 2006                | 34                    | 61                       | 5                       | March, 1996                           | 28                    | 70                       | 2                       |
| Late November, 2005          | 34                    | 59                       | 7                       | October, 1995                         | 23                    | 73                       | 4                       |
| Early October, 2005          | 29                    | 65                       | 6                       | June, 1995                            | 25                    | 73                       | 2                       |
| July, 2005                   | 35                    | 58                       | 7                       | April, 1995                           | 23                    | 74                       | 3                       |
| Late May, 2005*              | 39                    | 57                       | 4                       | July, 1994                            | 24                    | 73                       | 3                       |
| February, 2005               | 38                    | 56                       | 6                       | March, 1994                           | 24                    | 71                       | 5                       |
| January, 2005                | 40                    | 54                       | 6                       | October, 1993                         | 22                    | 73                       | 5                       |
| December, 2004               | 39                    | 54                       | 7                       | September, 1993                       | 20                    | 75                       | 5                       |
| Mid-October, 2004            | 36                    | 58                       | 6                       | May, 1993                             | 22                    | 71                       | 7                       |
| July, 2004                   | 38                    | 55                       | 7                       | January, 1993                         | 39                    | 50                       | 11                      |
| May, 2004                    | 33                    | 61                       | 6                       | January, 1992                         | 28                    | 68                       | 4                       |
| Late February, 2004*         | 39                    | 55                       | 6                       | November, 1991                        | 34                    | 61                       | 5                       |
| Early January, 2004          | 45                    | 48                       | 7                       | Late February, 1991 ( <i>Gallup</i> ) | 66                    | 31                       | 3                       |
| December, 2003               | 44                    | 47                       | 9                       | August, 1990                          | 47                    | 48                       | 5                       |
|                              |                       |                          |                         | May, 1990                             | 41                    | 54                       | 5                       |
|                              |                       |                          |                         | January, 1989                         | 45                    | 50                       | 5                       |
|                              |                       |                          |                         | September, 1988 (RVs)                 | 50                    | 45                       | 5                       |

1 From September 10-15, 2009 and other surveys noted with an asterisk, the question was worded "Overall, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way things are going in our country today?"

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=740]:**

Q.AF2 What ONE WORD best describes your impression of Barack Obama? Just the one word that best describes him. [OPEN-END. PROBE ONCE IF RESPONDENT ANSWERS “DON’T KNOW”. ACCEPT UP TO TWO RESPONSES, BUT DO NOT PROBE FOR SECOND RESPONSE].

NOTE: The numbers listed represent the number of respondents who offered each response; the numbers are not percentages.

| <u>January, 2010</u> | <u>Mid-April, 2009</u>   | <u>February, 2009</u>       | <u>--Based on RVs--</u><br><u>September, 2008</u> |
|----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| 25 Intelligent       | 30 Intelligent           | 33 Intelligent/Intellectual | 55 Inexperienced                                  |
| 21 Inexperienced     | 29 Good                  | 17 Change                   | 36 Change                                         |
| 21 Trying            | 20 Socialist             | 16 Honest                   | 20 Intelligent/Intellectual                       |
| 18 Good              | 17 Liberal               | 15 Confident                | 20 Young/Youthful                                 |
| 15 Socialist         | 16 Great                 | 15 Inexperienced            | 15 Charismatic                                    |
| 12 Honest            | 15 Confident             | 14 Hope/Hopeful             | 14 New                                            |
| 12 Unqualified       | 13 Inexperienced         | 13 Smart                    | 12 Energetic/Energy                               |
| 11 Arrogant          | 12 Honest                | 13 Socialist                | 12 Hope/Hopeful                                   |
| 11 Fair              | 12 Trying                | 12 Good                     | 12 Liberal                                        |
| 11 Incompetent       | 11 Smart                 | 11 Charismatic              | 10 Honest                                         |
| 10 Confident         | 10 Change                | 10 Great                    | 9 Fresh                                           |
| 10 Different         | 10 Competent             | 9 Fantastic                 | 9 Scary                                           |
| 10 Strong            | 10 Excellent             | 9 Leader                    | 8 Different                                       |
| 8 Change             | 10 Spender/Spending      | 9 Trying                    | 7 Enthusiastic                                    |
| 8 Great              | 9 Arrogant               | 8 Determined                | 7 Unqualified                                     |
| 7 OK                 | 9 Hope/Hopeful           | 8 Different                 | 6 Committed                                       |
| 7 Smart              | 8 Charismatic            | 8 Liberal                   | 6 Good                                            |
| 6 Capable            | 8 President/Presidential | 8 President                 | 6 Innovative                                      |
| 6 Disappointing      | 7 Different              | 8 Sincere                   | 6 Inspiring/Inspiration                           |
| 6 Excellent          | 7 Leader                 | 7 Arrogant                  | 6 Liar                                            |
| 6 Fake               | 5 Caring/Cares           | 7 Awesome                   | 6 Socialist                                       |
| 6 Leader             | 5 Determined             | 7 Competent                 | 5 Dishonest                                       |
| 6 Liar               | 5 Efficient              | 7 Energetic                 | 5 Fake                                            |
| 5 Charismatic        | 5 Strong                 | 6 Dedicated                 | 5 Leader                                          |
| 5 Communist          | 5 Young                  | 6 Excellent                 | 5 Phony                                           |
| 5 Idiot              | 4 Ambitious              | 6 Fresh/Refreshing          | 5 Unknown                                         |
| 5 Liberal            | 4 Awesome                | 6 Naive                     | 4 Arrogant                                        |
| 5 President          | 4 Capable                | 5 Committed                 | 4 Idealist                                        |
| 4 Clueless           | 4 Impressed              | 5 New                       | 4 Interesting                                     |
| 4 Competent          | 4 Incompetent            | 5 Outstanding               | 4 Opportunist                                     |
| 4 Dedicated          | 4 Integrity              | 5 Young                     | 4 Uncertain                                       |
| 4 Determined         | 4 Naive                  | 4 Amazing                   | (N=629)                                           |
| 4 Dishonest          | 4 Politician             | 4 Capable                   |                                                   |
| 4 Hopeful            | (N=742)                  | 4 Dynamic                   |                                                   |
| 4 Integrity          |                          | 4 Enthusiastic              |                                                   |
| 4 Young              |                          | 4 Fair                      |                                                   |
| (N=740)              |                          | 4 Integrity                 |                                                   |
|                      |                          | 4 OK                        |                                                   |
|                      |                          | 4 Good speaker              |                                                   |
|                      |                          | 4 Strong                    |                                                   |
|                      |                          | 4 Surprising                |                                                   |
|                      |                          | (N=660)                     |                                                   |

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=764]:**

Q.3F1 In the long run, do you think Barack Obama will be a successful or unsuccessful president, or do you think it is too early to tell?

|                |                       | <u>Successful</u> | <u>Unsuccessful</u> | <u>Too early<br/>to tell</u> | <u>(VOL.)<br/>DK/Ref</u> |
|----------------|-----------------------|-------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Obama</b>   | Jan 6-10, 2010        | 24                | 21                  | 52                           | 3                        |
| <b>Obama</b>   | Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009    | 27                | 18                  | 54                           | 2                        |
| <b>Obama</b>   | Jan 7-11, 2009        | 30                | 4                   | 65                           | 1                        |
| <b>Bush</b>    | January, 2007         | 24                | 45                  | 27                           | 4                        |
| <b>Bush</b>    | January, 2006         | 27                | 37                  | 32                           | 4                        |
| <b>Bush</b>    | Early October, 2005   | 26                | 41                  | 30                           | 3                        |
| <b>Bush</b>    | January, 2005         | 36                | 27                  | 35                           | 2                        |
| <b>Bush</b>    | December, 2003        | 39                | 20                  | 38                           | 3                        |
| <b>Bush</b>    | Early October, 2002   | 40                | 15                  | 44                           | 1                        |
| <b>Bush</b>    | January, 2001         | 26                | 15                  | 58                           | 1                        |
| <b>Clinton</b> | January, 1999         | 44                | 24                  | 29                           | 3                        |
| <b>Clinton</b> | Early September, 1998 | 38                | 24                  | 35                           | 3                        |
| <b>Clinton</b> | February, 1995        | 18                | 34                  | 43                           | 5                        |
| <b>Clinton</b> | October, 1994         | 14                | 35                  | 48                           | 3                        |
| <b>Clinton</b> | May, 1994             | 21                | 26                  | 52                           | 1                        |
| <b>Clinton</b> | January, 1994         | 21                | 19                  | 57                           | 3                        |
| <b>Clinton</b> | October, 1993         | 18                | 25                  | 56                           | 1                        |
| <b>Clinton</b> | September, 1993       | 22                | 22                  | 54                           | 2                        |
| <b>Clinton</b> | August, 1993          | 13                | 25                  | 60                           | 2                        |

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=764]:**

Q.4F1 Now thinking about Obama's upcoming State of the Union address... Do you consider this year's State of the Union address to be MORE important than past years', LESS important, or about as important as past years'?<sup>2</sup>

|             |                           | -----George W. Bush ----- |             |             |             |             |             |             | -- Clinton -- |             |
|-------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
| Jan 6-10    |                           | Jan                       | Jan         | Jan         | Jan         | Mid-Jan     | Jan         | Jan         | Jan           | Jan         |
| <u>2010</u> |                           | <u>2008</u>               | <u>2007</u> | <u>2006</u> | <u>2005</u> | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> | <u>2002</u> | <u>2000</u>   | <u>1999</u> |
| 39          | More important            | 19                        | 32          | 30          | 34          | 34          | 52          | 54          | 16            | 27          |
| 9           | Less important            | 27                        | 16          | 14          | 9           | 9           | 6           | 4           | 22            | 16          |
| 45          | Same                      | 46                        | 43          | 47          | 47          | 49          | 35          | 36          | 53            | 51          |
| 7           | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) | 8                         | 9           | 9           | 10          | 8           | 7           | 6           | 9             | 6           |

2 In 2008, question began "As you may know, George W. Bush will give his annual State of the Union address in a few weeks..."

# **RANDOMIZE Q.5 AND Q.6**

## **ASK ALL:**

Q.5 Do you approve or disapprove of the job the Republican leaders in Congress are doing? **[IF DK ENTER AS DK. IF DEPENDS PROBE ONCE WITH: Overall do you approve or disapprove of the job the Republican leaders in Congress are doing? IF STILL DEPENDS ENTER AS DK]**

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|-----------------------|----------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Jan 6-10, 2010        | 27             | 57                      | 16                       | June, 1999            | 37             | 46                      | 17                       |
| Dec 9-13, 2009        | 29             | 51                      | 20                       | May, 1999             | 38             | 44                      | 18                       |
| Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009    | 24             | 60                      | 17                       | March, 1999           | 38             | 47                      | 15                       |
| Jun 10-14, 2009       | 29             | 56                      | 15                       | February, 1999        | 37             | 51                      | 12                       |
| Mar 9-12, 2009        | 28             | 51                      | 21                       | January, 1999         | 38             | 50                      | 12                       |
| Feb 4-8, 2009         | 34             | 51                      | 15                       | Early December, 1998  | 38             | 49                      | 13                       |
| Early October, 2006   | 33             | 56                      | 11                       | November, 1998        | 41             | 48                      | 11                       |
| June, 2006            | 30             | 53                      | 17                       | Early September, 1998 | 44             | 37                      | 19                       |
| March, 2006           | 32             | 50                      | 18                       | Early August, 1998    | 43             | 37                      | 20                       |
| January, 2006         | 33             | 52                      | 15                       | June, 1998            | 42             | 38                      | 20                       |
| Early November, 2005  | 33             | 50                      | 17                       | May, 1998             | 40             | 41                      | 19                       |
| Early October, 2005   | 32             | 52                      | 16                       | April, 1998           | 41             | 40                      | 19                       |
| Mid-September, 2005   | 36             | 49                      | 15                       | March, 1998           | 43             | 39                      | 18                       |
| Mid-May, 2005         | 35             | 50                      | 15                       | January, 1998         | 43             | 41                      | 16                       |
| Mid-March, 2005       | 39             | 44                      | 17                       | November, 1997        | 41             | 43                      | 16                       |
| Early February, 2004  | 41             | 42                      | 17                       | August, 1997          | 42             | 44                      | 14                       |
| January, 2003         | 48             | 37                      | 15                       | June, 1997            | 33             | 50                      | 17                       |
| June, 2002            | 50             | 34                      | 16                       | May, 1997             | 40             | 44                      | 16                       |
| May, 2002             | 49             | 34                      | 17                       | April, 1997           | 40             | 44                      | 16                       |
| February, 2002        | 56             | 24                      | 20                       | February, 1997        | 44             | 42                      | 14                       |
| Early September, 2001 | 43             | 39                      | 18                       | January, 1997         | 38             | 47                      | 15                       |
| June, 2001            | 40             | 40                      | 20                       | November, 1996        | 40             | 43                      | 17                       |
| May, 2001             | 45             | 36                      | 19                       | July, 1996            | 38             | 48                      | 14                       |
| April, 2001           | 45             | 30                      | 25                       | June, 1996            | 36             | 50                      | 14                       |
| January, 2001         | 43             | 36                      | 21                       | April, 1996           | 39             | 46                      | 15                       |
| July, 2000            | 36             | 46                      | 18                       | March, 1996           | 35             | 51                      | 14                       |
| May, 2000             | 40             | 42                      | 18                       | February, 1996        | 33             | 53                      | 14                       |
| March, 2000           | 38             | 43                      | 19                       | January, 1996         | 36             | 54                      | 10                       |
| February, 2000        | 40             | 43                      | 17                       | October, 1995         | 36             | 51                      | 13                       |
| January, 2000         | 39             | 41                      | 20                       | September, 1995       | 36             | 50                      | 14                       |
| December, 1999        | 38             | 42                      | 20                       | August, 1995          | 38             | 45                      | 17                       |
| October, 1999         | 34             | 50                      | 16                       | June, 1995            | 41             | 45                      | 14                       |
| Late September, 1999  | 34             | 46                      | 20                       | April, 1995           | 44             | 43                      | 13                       |
| August, 1999          | 40             | 44                      | 16                       | March, 1995           | 43             | 39                      | 18                       |
| July, 1999            | 36             | 45                      | 19                       | December, 1994        | 52             | 28                      | 20                       |

# **RANDOMIZE Q.5 AND Q.6**

## **ASK ALL:**

Q.6 Do you approve or disapprove of the job the Democratic leaders in Congress are doing? **[IF DK ENTER AS DK. IF DEPENDS PROBE ONCE WITH: Overall do you approve or disapprove of the job the Democratic leaders in Congress are doing? IF STILL DEPENDS ENTER AS DK]**

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| Jan 6-10, 2010           | 35             | 53                      | 11                             |
| Dec 9-13, 2009           | 36             | 47                      | 17                             |
| Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009       | 33             | 53                      | 15                             |
| Jun 10-14, 2009          | 42             | 45                      | 13                             |
| Mar 9-12, 2009           | 47             | 35                      | 18                             |
| Feb 4-8, 2009            | 48             | 38                      | 14                             |
| August, 2008             | 31             | 58                      | 11                             |
| January, 2008            | 31             | 53                      | 16                             |
| November, 2007           | 35             | 50                      | 15                             |
| October, 2007            | 31             | 54                      | 15                             |
| July, 2007               | 33             | 54                      | 13                             |
| June, 2007               | 34             | 49                      | 17                             |
| April, 2007              | 36             | 43                      | 21                             |
| March, 2007 <sup>3</sup> | 37             | 42                      | 21                             |
| February, 2007           | 41             | 36                      | 23                             |
| Mid-January, 2007        | 39             | 34                      | 27                             |
| Early October, 2006      | 35             | 53                      | 12                             |
| June, 2006               | 32             | 50                      | 18                             |
| March, 2006              | 34             | 46                      | 20                             |
| January, 2006            | 34             | 48                      | 18                             |
| Early November, 2005     | 36             | 44                      | 20                             |
| Early October, 2005      | 32             | 48                      | 20                             |
| Mid-September, 2005      | 36             | 45                      | 19                             |
| Mid-May, 2005            | 39             | 41                      | 20                             |
| Mid-March, 2005          | 37             | 44                      | 19                             |
| Early February, 2004     | 38             | 42                      | 20                             |
| June, 2002               | 47             | 36                      | 17                             |
| May, 2002                | 42             | 37                      | 21                             |
| February, 2002           | 49             | 30                      | 21                             |
| Early September, 2001    | 49             | 30                      | 21                             |
| June, 2001               | 50             | 28                      | 22                             |

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3 In March 2007 the question was worded: "Do you approve or disapprove of the policies and proposals of the Democratic leaders in Congress?"

**ASK ALL:**

Q.7 Looking ahead, so far as you are concerned, do you think that 2010 will be better or worse than 2009?  
**[PROMPT IF NECESSARY: "Just in general..."]**

|               |                | <u>Better</u> | <u>Worse</u> | <u>(VOL.)</u><br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|---------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|--------------------------------|
|               | Jan 6-10, 2010 | 67            | 26           | 8                              |
|               | Jan 7-11, 2009 | 52            | 37           | 11                             |
|               | December, 2007 | 50            | 34           | 16                             |
|               | December, 2006 | 57            | 28           | 15                             |
|               | December, 1999 | 66            | 19           | 15                             |
|               | December, 1998 | 59            | 25           | 16                             |
|               | December, 1994 | 59            | 28           | 13                             |
| <b>Gallup</b> | December, 1993 | 64            | 20           | 16                             |
| <b>Gallup</b> | December, 1992 | 61            | 11           | 28                             |
| <b>Gallup</b> | December, 1991 | 61            | 31           | 8                              |
| <b>Gallup</b> | December, 1990 | 48            | 42           | 10                             |
| <b>Gallup</b> | December, 1986 | 53            | 25           | 22                             |
| <b>Gallup</b> | December, 1985 | 64            | 20           | 17                             |
| <b>Gallup</b> | December, 1984 | 61            | 20           | 19                             |
| <b>Gallup</b> | December, 1982 | 50            | 32           | 18                             |
| <b>Gallup</b> | December, 1981 | 41            | 44           | 15                             |

**ASK ALL:**

Q.8 I am going to read you a list of events that will occur in the coming year. As I read each one, please tell me if this is an event you are especially looking forward to, or not. The first one is... **[INSERT ITEM, RANDOMIZE]** How about **[NEXT ITEM]**? **[REPEAT AS NECESSARY ... please tell me if this is something you are especially looking forward to or not.]**

|    |                                              | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | <u>(VOL.)</u><br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|----|----------------------------------------------|------------|-----------|--------------------------------|
| a. | The 2010 mid-term Congressional elections    |            |           |                                |
|    | Jan 6-10, 2010                               | 50         | 47        | 3                              |
|    | <b>TREND FOR COMPARISON:</b>                 |            |           |                                |
|    | December, 2007: <i>Presidential Election</i> | 70         | 28        | 2                              |
|    | January, 1988                                | 74         | 23        | 3                              |
| b. | The Winter Olympics                          |            |           |                                |
|    | Jan 6-10, 2010                               | 61         | 38        | 1                              |
|    | <b>TREND FOR COMPARISON:</b>                 |            |           |                                |
|    | December, 2007: <i>The Olympics</i>          | 52         | 46        | 2                              |
|    | January, 1988                                | 71         | 25        | 4                              |
| c. | The Super Bowl                               |            |           |                                |
|    | Jan 6-10, 2010                               | 58         | 40        | 1                              |
|    | December, 2007                               | 49         | 50        | 1                              |
|    | January, 1988                                | 55         | 42        | 3                              |
| d. | The World Cup soccer tournament              |            |           |                                |
|    | Jan 6-10, 2010                               | 23         | 76        | 1                              |
| e. | The Academy Awards                           |            |           |                                |
|    | Jan 6-10, 2010                               | 31         | 67        | 2                              |
|    | December, 2007                               | 34         | 65        | 1                              |
|    | January, 1988                                | 43         | 53        | 4                              |

**ASK ALL:**

The next congressional elections will be coming up later this year...

Q.9 If the elections for U.S. Congress were being held TODAY, would you vote for [RANDOMIZE: “the Republican Party’s candidate” OR “the Democratic Party’s candidate”] for Congress in your district?

**ASK IF ANSWERED OTHER OR DON’T KNOW (Q.9=3 OR Q.9=9):**

Q.10 As of TODAY, do you LEAN more to the [READ IN SAME ORDER AS Q.9]?

**BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1,214]:**

|                       | Rep/<br><u>Lean Rep</u> | Dem/<br><u>Lean Dem</u> | Other/<br><u>Undecided</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| Jan 6-10, 2010        | 44                      | 46                      | 10                         |
| Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009    | 42                      | 47                      | 11                         |
| Aug 20-27, 2009       | 44                      | 45                      | 10                         |
| <b>2008 Election</b>  |                         |                         |                            |
| June, 2008            | 37                      | 52                      | 11                         |
| <b>2006 Election</b>  |                         |                         |                            |
| November, 2006        | 40                      | 48                      | 12                         |
| Late October, 2006    | 38                      | 49                      | 13                         |
| Early October, 2006   | 38                      | 51                      | 11                         |
| September, 2006       | 39                      | 50                      | 11                         |
| August, 2006          | 41                      | 50                      | 9                          |
| June, 2006            | 39                      | 51                      | 10                         |
| April, 2006           | 41                      | 51                      | 8                          |
| February, 2006        | 41                      | 50                      | 9                          |
| Mid-September, 2005   | 40                      | 52                      | 8                          |
| <b>2004 Election</b>  |                         |                         |                            |
| June, 2004            | 41                      | 48                      | 11                         |
| <b>2002 Election</b>  |                         |                         |                            |
| Early November, 2002  | 42                      | 46                      | 12                         |
| Early October, 2002   | 44                      | 46                      | 10                         |
| Early September, 2002 | 44                      | 46                      | 10                         |
| June, 2002            | 44                      | 46                      | 10                         |
| February, 2002        | 46                      | 45                      | 9                          |
| Early November, 2001  | 44                      | 44                      | 12                         |
| <b>2000 Election</b>  |                         |                         |                            |
| Early November, 2000  | 42                      | 48                      | 10                         |
| Early October, 2000   | 43                      | 47                      | 10                         |
| July, 2000            | 43                      | 47                      | 10                         |
| February, 2000        | 44                      | 47                      | 9                          |
| October, 1999         | 43                      | 49                      | 8                          |
| June, 1999            | 40                      | 50                      | 10                         |
| <b>1998 Election</b>  |                         |                         |                            |
| Late October, 1998    | 40                      | 47                      | 13                         |
| Early October, 1998   | 43                      | 44                      | 13                         |
| Early September, 1998 | 45                      | 46                      | 9                          |
| Late August, 1998     | 44                      | 45                      | 11                         |
| Early August, 1998    | 42                      | 49                      | 9                          |
| June, 1998            | 44                      | 46                      | 10                         |
| March, 1998           | 40                      | 52                      | 8                          |
| February, 1998        | 41                      | 50                      | 9                          |
| January, 1998         | 41                      | 51                      | 8                          |
| August, 1997          | 45                      | 48                      | 7                          |

**Q.9/Q.10 CONTINUED...**

|                             | Rep/<br><u>Lean Rep</u> | Dem/<br><u>Lean Dem</u> | Other/<br><u>Undecided</u> |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>1996 Election</b>        |                         |                         |                            |
| November, 1996 <sup>4</sup> | 44                      | 48                      | 8                          |
| October, 1996               | 42                      | 49                      | 9                          |
| Late September, 1996        | 43                      | 49                      | 8                          |
| Early September, 1996       | 43                      | 51                      | 6                          |
| July, 1996                  | 46                      | 47                      | 7                          |
| June, 1996                  | 44                      | 50                      | 6                          |
| March, 1996                 | 44                      | 49                      | 7                          |
| January, 1996               | 46                      | 47                      | 7                          |
| October, 1995               | 48                      | 48                      | 4                          |
| August, 1995                | 50                      | 43                      | 7                          |
| <b>1994 Election</b>        |                         |                         |                            |
| November, 1994              | 45                      | 43                      | 12                         |
| Late October, 1994          | 47                      | 44                      | 9                          |
| Early October, 1994         | 52                      | 40                      | 8                          |
| September, 1994             | 48                      | 46                      | 6                          |
| July, 1994                  | 45                      | 47                      | 8                          |

**ASK ALL:**

Thinking about some issues...

Q.11 Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling [INSERT ITEM, RANDOMIZE; OBSERVE FORM SPLITS] How about [NEXT ITEM]?

|                                 | <u>Approve</u> | Dis-<br><u>approve</u> | (VOL.)<br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|---------------------------------|----------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| a. The economy                  |                |                        |                         |
| Jan 6-10, 2010                  | 42             | 51                     | 7                       |
| Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009              | 42             | 52                     | 5                       |
| Jul 22-26, 2009                 | 38             | 53                     | 9                       |
| Jun 10-14, 2009                 | 52             | 40                     | 8                       |
| Apr 14-21, 2009                 | 60             | 33                     | 7                       |
| Feb 4-8, 2009                   | 56             | 24                     | 20                      |
| b. Health care policy           |                |                        |                         |
| Jan 6-10, 2010                  | 38             | 52                     | 10                      |
| Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009              | 43             | 47                     | 10                      |
| Jul 22-26, 2009                 | 42             | 43                     | 14                      |
| Apr 14-21, 2009                 | 51             | 26                     | 23                      |
| c. The threat of terrorism      |                |                        |                         |
| Jan 6-10, 2010                  | 51             | 39                     | 10                      |
| Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009 <sup>5</sup> | 52             | 34                     | 14                      |
| Apr 14-21, 2009                 | 57             | 26                     | 17                      |
| Feb 4-8, 2009                   | 50             | 21                     | 29                      |

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=764]:**

|                                  |    |    |    |
|----------------------------------|----|----|----|
| d.F1 The nation's foreign policy |    |    |    |
| Jan 6-10, 2010                   | 44 | 40 | 16 |
| Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009               | 44 | 38 | 18 |

4 November 1996 trends based on likely voters.

5 In surveys conducted Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009 and prior to 2009, the item was worded "Terrorist threats".

**Q.11 CONTINUED...**

|                                 |                                 | <u>Approve</u> | Dis-<br><u>approve</u> | (VOL.)<br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
|                                 | July 22-26, 2009                | 47             | 32                     | 21                      |
|                                 | June 10-14, 2009                | 57             | 31                     | 12                      |
|                                 | April 14-21, 2009               | 61             | 22                     | 17                      |
|                                 | February 4-8, 2009              | 52             | 17                     | 31                      |
| e.F1                            | The nation's immigration policy |                |                        |                         |
|                                 | Jan 6-10, 2010                  | 30             | 50                     | 21                      |
|                                 | Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009              | 31             | 48                     | 21                      |
| f.F1                            | Energy policy                   |                |                        |                         |
|                                 | Jan 6-10, 2010                  | 45             | 35                     | 20                      |
|                                 | Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009              | 50             | 34                     | 16                      |
|                                 | Jul 22-26, 2009                 | 46             | 31                     | 22                      |
| <b>ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=740]:</b> |                                 |                |                        |                         |
| g.F2                            | The federal budget deficit      |                |                        |                         |
|                                 | Jan 6-10, 2010                  | 32             | 58                     | 11                      |
|                                 | Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009              | 31             | 58                     | 11                      |
|                                 | July 22-26, 2009                | 32             | 53                     | 15                      |
|                                 | April 14-21, 2009               | 50             | 38                     | 12                      |
| h.F2                            | The situation in Iraq           |                |                        |                         |
|                                 | Jan 6-10, 2010                  | 45             | 44                     | 10                      |
|                                 | Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009              | 41             | 48                     | 12                      |
|                                 | July 22-26, 2009                | 47             | 38                     | 15                      |
| i.F2                            | The situation in Afghanistan    |                |                        |                         |
|                                 | Jan 6-10, 2010                  | 45             | 43                     | 12                      |
|                                 | Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009              | 36             | 49                     | 15                      |
|                                 | July 22-26, 2009                | 47             | 33                     | 19                      |

**ASK ALL:**

Q.12 As I read some pairs of opposite phrases, please tell me which one best reflects your impression of Barack Obama. (First,) does Barack Obama impress you as... **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]**

|    |                         |                                      |                          |                        |
|----|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|
|    | Jan 6-10<br><u>2010</u> |                                      | Sep 10-15<br><u>2009</u> | Feb 4-8<br><u>2009</u> |
| a. | 61                      | Trustworthy [OR]                     | 64                       | 76                     |
|    | 31                      | NOT trustworthy                      | 30                       | 15                     |
|    | 2                       | Neither particularly ( <b>VOL.</b> ) | 2                        | 1                      |
|    | 5                       | Don't know/Refused ( <b>VOL.</b> )   | 5                        | 8                      |
|    | Jan 6-10<br><u>2010</u> |                                      | Sep 10-15<br><u>2009</u> | Feb 4-8<br><u>2009</u> |
| b. | 77                      | Warm and friendly [OR]               | 78                       | 87                     |
|    | 16                      | Cold and aloof                       | 16                       | 8                      |
|    | 3                       | Neither particularly ( <b>VOL.</b> ) | 2                        | 2                      |
|    | 4                       | Don't know/Refused ( <b>VOL.</b> )   | 4                        | 3                      |
|    | Jan 6-10<br><u>2010</u> |                                      | Sep 10-15<br><u>2009</u> | Feb 4-8<br><u>2009</u> |
| c. | 83                      | A good communicator [OR]             | 83                       | 92                     |
|    | 14                      | NOT a good communicator              | 13                       | 6                      |
|    | 1                       | Neither particularly ( <b>VOL.</b> ) | 1                        | *                      |
|    | 2                       | Don't know/Refused ( <b>VOL.</b> )   | 3                        | 2                      |
|    | Jan 6-10<br><u>2010</u> |                                      | Sep 10-15<br><u>2009</u> | Feb 4-8<br><u>2009</u> |
| d. | 57                      | Able to get things done [OR]         | 58                       | 70                     |
|    | 35                      | NOT able to get things done          | 31                       | 15                     |
|    | 3                       | Neither particularly ( <b>VOL.</b> ) | 3                        | 2                      |
|    | 5                       | Don't know/Refused ( <b>VOL.</b> )   | 8                        | 13                     |
|    | Jan 6-10<br><u>2010</u> |                                      | Sep 10-15<br><u>2009</u> | Feb 4-8<br><u>2009</u> |
| e. | 69                      | Well informed [OR]                   | 70                       | 79                     |
|    | 26                      | NOT well informed                    | 23                       | 15                     |
|    | 1                       | Neither particularly ( <b>VOL.</b> ) | 2                        | 1                      |
|    | 4                       | Don't know/Refused ( <b>VOL.</b> )   | 4                        | 5                      |
|    | Jan 6-10<br><u>2010</u> |                                      | Sep 10-15<br><u>2009</u> | Feb 4-8<br><u>2009</u> |
| f. | 70                      | Well organized [OR]                  | 69                       | 81                     |
|    | 23                      | NOT well organized                   | 22                       | 12                     |
|    | 2                       | Neither particularly ( <b>VOL.</b> ) | 1                        | 1                      |
|    | 5                       | Don't know/Refused ( <b>VOL.</b> )   | 7                        | 6                      |

**NO ITEM g**

|    |                         |                                               |                          |                        |
|----|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|
|    | Jan 6-10<br><u>2010</u> |                                               | Sep 10-15<br><u>2009</u> | Feb 4-8<br><u>2009</u> |
| h. | 64                      | Someone who cares about people like me [OR]   | 68                       | 81                     |
|    | 30                      | Someone who doesn't care about people like me | 25                       | 14                     |
|    | 1                       | Neither particularly ( <b>VOL.</b> )          | 1                        | 1                      |
|    | 4                       | Don't know/Refused ( <b>VOL.</b> )            | 6                        | 4                      |

**Q.12 CONTINUED...**

|    | Jan 6-10<br><u>2010</u> |                                    | Sep 10-15<br><u>2009</u> | Feb 4-8<br><u>2009</u> |
|----|-------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|
| i. | 62                      | A strong leader [OR]               | 65                       | 77                     |
|    | 32                      | NOT a strong leader                | 29                       | 13                     |
|    | 2                       | Neither particularly <b>(VOL.)</b> | 2                        | 1                      |
|    | 3                       | Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>   | 5                        | 9                      |

**NO ITEM j**

|    | Jan 6-10<br><u>2010</u> |                                  | Sep 10-15<br><u>2009</u> | Feb 4-8<br><u>2009</u> |
|----|-------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|
| k. | 42                      | Liberal                          | 44                       | 38                     |
|    | 36                      | Middle of the road [OR]          | 36                       | 40                     |
|    | 14                      | Conservative                     | 9                        | 13                     |
|    | 1                       | None particularly <b>(VOL.)</b>  | 2                        | 2                      |
|    | 7                       | Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b> | 9                        | 7                      |

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=764]:**

Q.13F1 In making important decisions, do you think Barack Obama is **[RANDOMIZE: too impulsive, too cautious]**, or about right?

|  | Jan 6-10<br><u>2010</u> |                                  |
|--|-------------------------|----------------------------------|
|  | 26                      | Too impulsive                    |
|  | 20                      | Too cautious                     |
|  | 46                      | About right                      |
|  | 8                       | Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b> |

**NO QUESTIONS 14-16**

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=740]:**

Q.17F2 Compared with the Bush Administration, do you think the policies of the Obama Administration have made the United States **[READ AND RANDOMIZE WITH "HAVEN'T THEY MADE A DIFFERENCE" LAST]**?

|  | Jan 6-10<br><u>2010</u> |                                  | Jun 10-14<br><u>2009</u> |
|--|-------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|
|  | 28                      | Safer from terrorism             | 28                       |
|  | 22                      | Less safe from terrorism [OR]    | 21                       |
|  | 46                      | Haven't they made a difference   | 44                       |
|  | 5                       | Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b> | 7                        |

**ASK ALL:**

Thinking more generally ...

Q.18 In dealing with important issues facing the country, are **[RANDOMIZE; Barack Obama and Republican leaders in Congress, Republican leaders in Congress and Barack Obama]** working together or not working together?

**ASK IF 'NOT WORKING TOGETHER' (Q.18=2) [N=1082]:**

Q.19 Who do you think is most to blame for them not working together? **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**

| Jan 6-10<br><u>2010</u> |                                          | Aug 11-17<br><u>2009</u> | Jun 10-14<br><u>2009</u> | Feb 4-8<br><u>2009</u> <sup>6</sup> |
|-------------------------|------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 25                      | Working together                         | 24                       | 39                       | 43                                  |
| 67                      | Not working together                     | 63                       | 50                       | 45                                  |
| 19                      | Barack Obama to blame                    | 17                       | 12                       | 7                                   |
| 32                      | Republican leaders in Congress to blame  | 29                       | 26                       | 27                                  |
| 9                       | Both to blame <b>(VOL.)</b>              | 9                        | 9                        | 5                                   |
| 2                       | Neither to blame <b>(VOL.)</b>           | 1                        | 1                        | 1                                   |
| 2                       | Other to blame <b>(VOL.)</b>             | 2                        | 1                        | 3                                   |
| 3                       | Don't know who is to blame <b>(VOL.)</b> | 4                        | 2                        | 2                                   |
| 8                       | Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>         | 13                       | 11                       | 12                                  |

**NO QUESTIONS 20-29**


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6 In February 2009, question was worded: "In developing a plan to stimulate the economy and create jobs. ..."

**ASK ALL:**

Q.30 I'd like to ask you some questions about priorities for President Obama and Congress this year. As I read from a list, tell me if you think the item that I read should be a top priority, important but lower priority, not too important or should it not be done. (First,) should [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE; OBSERVE FORM SPLITS] be a top priority, important but lower priority, not too important, or should it not be done? What about... [INSERT ITEM]? [REPEAT AS NECESSARY TO BE SURE RESPONDENT UNDERSTANDS SCALE: should this be a top priority, important but lower priority, not too important, or should it not be done?]

|      |                                                                               | Top<br>priority | Important<br>but lower<br>priority | Not too<br>important | Should not<br>be done | (VOL.)<br>DK/Ref |
|------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
|      | <u>SUMMARY TABLE</u>                                                          |                 |                                    |                      |                       |                  |
| s.   | Strengthening the nation's economy                                            | 83              | 14                                 | 1                    | 1                     | 1                |
| a.F1 | Improving the job situation                                                   | 81              | 15                                 | 1                    | 1                     | 2                |
| i.F1 | Defending the country from future terrorist attacks                           | 80              | 17                                 | 2                    | *                     | 1                |
| m.F2 | Taking steps to make the Social Security system financially sound             | 66              | 28                                 | 3                    | 2                     | 1                |
| l.F2 | Improving the educational system                                              | 65              | 28                                 | 4                    | 2                     | 1                |
| n.F2 | Taking steps to make the Medicare system financially sound                    | 63              | 30                                 | 4                    | 1                     | 2                |
| b.F1 | Reducing the budget deficit                                                   | 60              | 29                                 | 5                    | 2                     | 4                |
| f.F1 | Reducing health care costs                                                    | 57              | 31                                 | 5                    | 4                     | 2                |
| o.F2 | Dealing with the problems of poor and needy people                            | 53              | 38                                 | 6                    | 2                     | 2                |
| r.F2 | Strengthening the U.S. military                                               | 49              | 35                                 | 10                   | 5                     | 1                |
| t.F2 | Dealing with the nation's energy problem                                      | 49              | 39                                 | 7                    | 2                     | 2                |
| q.F2 | Providing health insurance to the uninsured                                   | 49              | 34                                 | 7                    | 7                     | 3                |
| c.F1 | Reducing crime                                                                | 49              | 39                                 | 8                    | 2                     | 2                |
| p.F2 | Dealing with the moral breakdown in the country                               | 45              | 31                                 | 13                   | 7                     | 4                |
| g.F1 | Stricter regulation of financial institutions                                 | 45              | 36                                 | 11                   | 4                     | 4                |
| e.F1 | Protecting the environment                                                    | 44              | 42                                 | 11                   | 2                     | 2                |
| d.F1 | Reducing federal income taxes for the middle class                            | 42              | 40                                 | 9                    | 5                     | 4                |
| k.F1 | Dealing with the issue of illegal immigration                                 | 40              | 41                                 | 14                   | 2                     | 3                |
| v.F2 | Reducing the influence of lobbyists and special interest groups in Washington | 36              | 34                                 | 18                   | 7                     | 6                |
| j.F1 | Dealing with global trade issues                                              | 32              | 46                                 | 12                   | 4                     | 7                |
| w.F2 | Dealing with global warming                                                   | 28              | 36                                 | 20                   | 14                    | 2                |

FULL TREND

**ASK ITEMS a THRU k OF FORM 1 ONLY [N=764]:**

|      |                             |    |    |    |   |   |
|------|-----------------------------|----|----|----|---|---|
| a.F1 | Improving the job situation |    |    |    |   |   |
|      | Jan 6-10, 2010              | 81 | 15 | 1  | 1 | 2 |
|      | Jan 7-11, 2009              | 82 | 15 | 1  | 1 | 1 |
|      | January, 2008               | 61 | 31 | 4  | 2 | 2 |
|      | January, 2007               | 57 | 30 | 10 | 1 | 2 |
|      | January, 2006               | 65 | 28 | 4  | 1 | 2 |
|      | January, 2005               | 68 | 28 | 2  | 1 | 1 |
|      | Mid-January, 2004           | 67 | 28 | 3  | 1 | 1 |
|      | January, 2003               | 62 | 32 | 4  | 1 | 1 |
|      | January, 2002               | 67 | 27 | 4  | 1 | 1 |
|      | January, 2001               | 60 | 30 | 6  | 2 | 2 |
|      | January, 2000               | 41 | 35 | 16 | 4 | 4 |
|      | July, 1999                  | 54 | 30 | 10 | 3 | 3 |
|      | January, 1999               | 50 | 34 | 10 | 2 | 4 |
|      | January, 1998               | 54 | 32 | 10 | 3 | 1 |
|      | January, 1997               | 66 | 26 | 5  | 2 | 1 |
|      | December, 1994              | 64 | 27 | 5  | 2 | 2 |

**Q.30 CONTINUED...**

|      |                                                    | <u>Top</u><br><u>priority</u> | Important<br>but lower<br><u>priority</u> | Not too<br><u>important</u> | Should not<br><u>be done</u> | (VOL.)<br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|------|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| b.F1 | Reducing the budget deficit                        |                               |                                           |                             |                              |                         |
|      | Jan 6-10, 2010                                     | 60                            | 29                                        | 5                           | 2                            | 4                       |
|      | Jan 7-11, 2009                                     | 53                            | 33                                        | 7                           | 2                            | 4                       |
|      | January, 2008                                      | 58                            | 33                                        | 5                           | 1                            | 3                       |
|      | January, 2007                                      | 53                            | 34                                        | 7                           | 2                            | 4                       |
|      | January, 2006                                      | 55                            | 35                                        | 5                           | 1                            | 4                       |
|      | January, 2005                                      | 56                            | 34                                        | 5                           | 2                            | 3                       |
|      | Mid-January, 2004                                  | 51                            | 38                                        | 6                           | 3                            | 2                       |
|      | January, 2003                                      | 40                            | 44                                        | 11                          | 2                            | 3                       |
|      | January, 2002                                      | 35                            | 44                                        | 13                          | 3                            | 5                       |
|      | January, 1997                                      | 60                            | 30                                        | 5                           | 2                            | 3                       |
|      | December, 1994                                     | 65                            | 26                                        | 5                           | 1                            | 3                       |
|      | <b>TREND FOR COMPARISON:</b>                       |                               |                                           |                             |                              |                         |
|      | Paying off the national debt                       |                               |                                           |                             |                              |                         |
|      | January, 2001                                      | 54                            | 32                                        | 8                           | 2                            | 4                       |
|      | January, 2000                                      | 44                            | 38                                        | 11                          | 3                            | 4                       |
|      | July, 1999                                         | 45                            | 41                                        | 10                          | 2                            | 2                       |
|      | January, 1999                                      | 42                            | 43                                        | 10                          | 1                            | 4                       |
|      | January, 1998                                      | 46                            | 40                                        | 9                           | 3                            | 2                       |
| c.F1 | Reducing crime                                     |                               |                                           |                             |                              |                         |
|      | Jan 6-10, 2010                                     | 49                            | 39                                        | 8                           | 2                            | 2                       |
|      | Jan 7-11, 2009                                     | 46                            | 41                                        | 9                           | 2                            | 2                       |
|      | January, 2008                                      | 54                            | 36                                        | 7                           | 1                            | 2                       |
|      | January, 2007                                      | 62                            | 31                                        | 5                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 2006                                      | 62                            | 29                                        | 6                           | 1                            | 2                       |
|      | January, 2005                                      | 53                            | 39                                        | 5                           | 2                            | 1                       |
|      | Mid-January, 2004                                  | 53                            | 34                                        | 9                           | 2                            | 2                       |
|      | January, 2003                                      | 47                            | 42                                        | 8                           | 2                            | 2                       |
|      | January, 2002                                      | 53                            | 39                                        | 6                           | *                            | 2                       |
|      | January, 2001                                      | 76                            | 19                                        | 3                           | 2                            | *                       |
|      | January, 2000                                      | 69                            | 24                                        | 4                           | 1                            | 2                       |
|      | July, 1999                                         | 76                            | 20                                        | 2                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 1999                                      | 70                            | 24                                        | 3                           | 1                            | 2                       |
|      | January, 1998                                      | 71                            | 25                                        | 2                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 1997                                      | 70                            | 25                                        | 3                           | 2                            | *                       |
|      | December, 1994                                     | 78                            | 17                                        | 2                           | 1                            | 2                       |
| d.F1 | Reducing federal income taxes for the middle class |                               |                                           |                             |                              |                         |
|      | Jan 6-10, 2010                                     | 42                            | 40                                        | 9                           | 5                            | 4                       |
|      | Jan 7-11, 2009                                     | 43                            | 39                                        | 10                          | 4                            | 4                       |
|      | January, 2008                                      | 46                            | 40                                        | 8                           | 3                            | 3                       |
|      | January, 2007                                      | 48                            | 35                                        | 10                          | 4                            | 3                       |
|      | January, 2006                                      | 51                            | 32                                        | 8                           | 5                            | 4                       |
|      | January, 2005                                      | 48                            | 35                                        | 8                           | 6                            | 3                       |
|      | Mid-January, 2004                                  | 44                            | 37                                        | 12                          | 6                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 2002                                      | 43                            | 37                                        | 11                          | 6                            | 3                       |
|      | January, 2001                                      | 66                            | 26                                        | 4                           | 3                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 2000                                      | 54                            | 34                                        | 7                           | 3                            | 2                       |
|      | July, 1999                                         | 57                            | 30                                        | 8                           | 4                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 1999                                      | 52                            | 33                                        | 8                           | 3                            | 4                       |
|      | January, 1998                                      | 54                            | 33                                        | 8                           | 3                            | 2                       |

**Q.30 CONTINUED...**

|      |                                                                                     | <u>Top</u><br><u>priority</u> | Important<br>but lower<br><u>priority</u> | Not too<br><u>important</u> | Should not<br><u>be done</u> | (VOL.)<br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
|      | January, 1997                                                                       | 42                            | 38                                        | 10                          | 8                            | 2                       |
|      | December, 1994                                                                      | 53                            | 32                                        | 9                           | 3                            | 3                       |
| e.F1 | Protecting the environment                                                          |                               |                                           |                             |                              |                         |
|      | Jan 6-10, 2010                                                                      | 44                            | 42                                        | 11                          | 2                            | 2                       |
|      | Jan 7-11, 2009                                                                      | 41                            | 42                                        | 12                          | 3                            | 2                       |
|      | January, 2008                                                                       | 56                            | 34                                        | 8                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 2007                                                                       | 57                            | 32                                        | 9                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 2006                                                                       | 57                            | 35                                        | 6                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 2005                                                                       | 49                            | 42                                        | 8                           | 1                            | *                       |
|      | Mid-January, 2004                                                                   | 49                            | 40                                        | 10                          | 1                            | *                       |
|      | January, 2003                                                                       | 39                            | 50                                        | 9                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 2002                                                                       | 44                            | 42                                        | 12                          | 1                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 2001                                                                       | 63                            | 30                                        | 3                           | 3                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 2000                                                                       | 54                            | 37                                        | 6                           | 2                            | 1                       |
|      | July, 1999                                                                          | 59                            | 32                                        | 7                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 1999                                                                       | 52                            | 39                                        | 7                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 1998                                                                       | 53                            | 37                                        | 8                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 1997                                                                       | 54                            | 35                                        | 8                           | 2                            | 1                       |
| f.F1 | Reducing health care costs                                                          |                               |                                           |                             |                              |                         |
|      | Jan 6-10, 2010                                                                      | 57                            | 31                                        | 5                           | 4                            | 2                       |
|      | Jan 7-11, 2009                                                                      | 59                            | 30                                        | 5                           | 4                            | 2                       |
|      | January, 2008                                                                       | 69                            | 24                                        | 3                           | 3                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 2007                                                                       | 68                            | 24                                        | 4                           | 3                            | 1                       |
|      | <b>TREND FOR COMPARISON:</b>                                                        |                               |                                           |                             |                              |                         |
|      | Regulating health maintenance organizations<br>(HMOs) and managed health care plans |                               |                                           |                             |                              |                         |
|      | January, 2006                                                                       | 60                            | 28                                        | 6                           | 3                            | 3                       |
|      | January, 2005                                                                       | 54                            | 33                                        | 7                           | 4                            | 2                       |
|      | Mid-January, 2004                                                                   | 50                            | 35                                        | 8                           | 4                            | 3                       |
|      | January, 2003                                                                       | 48                            | 38                                        | 7                           | 3                            | 4                       |
|      | January, 2002                                                                       | 50                            | 37                                        | 7                           | 4                            | 2                       |
|      | Early September, 2001                                                               | 54                            | 34                                        | 5                           | 5                            | 2                       |
|      | January, 2001                                                                       | 66                            | 22                                        | 4                           | 5                            | 3                       |
|      | January, 2000                                                                       | 56                            | 30                                        | 7                           | 3                            | 4                       |
|      | July, 1999                                                                          | 57                            | 29                                        | 7                           | 4                            | 3                       |
| g.F1 | Stricter regulation of financial institutions                                       |                               |                                           |                             |                              |                         |
|      | Jan 6-10, 2010                                                                      | 45                            | 36                                        | 11                          | 4                            | 4                       |
|      | <b>NO ITEM h</b>                                                                    |                               |                                           |                             |                              |                         |
| i.F1 | Defending the country from future terrorist attacks                                 |                               |                                           |                             |                              |                         |
|      | Jan 6-10, 2010                                                                      | 80                            | 17                                        | 2                           | *                            | 1                       |
|      | Jan 7-11, 2009                                                                      | 76                            | 18                                        | 3                           | 1                            | 2                       |
|      | January, 2008                                                                       | 74                            | 22                                        | 2                           | *                            | 2                       |
|      | January, 2007                                                                       | 80                            | 16                                        | 2                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 2006                                                                       | 80                            | 18                                        | 1                           | *                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 2005                                                                       | 75                            | 21                                        | 2                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|      | Mid-January, 2004                                                                   | 78                            | 18                                        | 2                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 2003                                                                       | 81                            | 16                                        | 2                           | 1                            | 0                       |

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|                                                   |                                                                   | <u>Top</u><br><u>priority</u> | Important<br>but lower<br><u>priority</u> | Not too<br><u>important</u> | Should not<br><u>be done</u> | (VOL.)<br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
|                                                   | January, 2002                                                     | 83                            | 15                                        | 1                           | *                            | 1                       |
| j.F1                                              | Dealing with global trade issues                                  |                               |                                           |                             |                              |                         |
|                                                   | Jan 6-10, 2010                                                    | 32                            | 46                                        | 12                          | 4                            | 7                       |
|                                                   | Jan 7-11, 2009                                                    | 31                            | 49                                        | 11                          | 2                            | 7                       |
|                                                   | January, 2008                                                     | 37                            | 45                                        | 11                          | 2                            | 5                       |
|                                                   | January, 2007                                                     | 34                            | 46                                        | 12                          | 2                            | 6                       |
|                                                   | January, 2006                                                     | 30                            | 46                                        | 11                          | 5                            | 8                       |
|                                                   | January, 2005                                                     | 32                            | 47                                        | 13                          | 2                            | 6                       |
|                                                   | Mid-January, 2004                                                 | 32                            | 47                                        | 14                          | 3                            | 4                       |
|                                                   | January, 2002                                                     | 25                            | 55                                        | 13                          | 2                            | 5                       |
|                                                   | January, 2001                                                     | 37                            | 46                                        | 8                           | 3                            | 6                       |
|                                                   | January, 2000                                                     | 30                            | 48                                        | 14                          | 1                            | 7                       |
| k.F1                                              | Dealing with the issue of illegal immigration                     |                               |                                           |                             |                              |                         |
|                                                   | Jan 6-10, 2010                                                    | 40                            | 41                                        | 14                          | 2                            | 3                       |
|                                                   | Jan 7-11, 2009                                                    | 41                            | 36                                        | 18                          | 3                            | 2                       |
|                                                   | January, 2008                                                     | 51                            | 32                                        | 11                          | 3                            | 3                       |
|                                                   | January, 2007                                                     | 55                            | 29                                        | 11                          | 3                            | 2                       |
| <b>ASK ITEMS 1 THRU r OF FORM 2 ONLY [N=740]:</b> |                                                                   |                               |                                           |                             |                              |                         |
| l.F2                                              | Improving the educational system                                  |                               |                                           |                             |                              |                         |
|                                                   | Jan 6-10, 2010                                                    | 65                            | 28                                        | 4                           | 2                            | 1                       |
|                                                   | Jan 7-11, 2009                                                    | 61                            | 30                                        | 5                           | 2                            | 2                       |
|                                                   | January, 2008                                                     | 66                            | 26                                        | 4                           | 2                            | 2                       |
|                                                   | January, 2007                                                     | 69                            | 25                                        | 4                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|                                                   | January, 2006                                                     | 67                            | 26                                        | 4                           | 2                            | 1                       |
|                                                   | January, 2005                                                     | 70                            | 25                                        | 2                           | 2                            | 1                       |
|                                                   | Mid-January, 2004                                                 | 71                            | 23                                        | 4                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|                                                   | January, 2003                                                     | 62                            | 31                                        | 4                           | 1                            | 2                       |
|                                                   | January, 2002                                                     | 66                            | 27                                        | 4                           | 1                            | 2                       |
|                                                   | Early September, 2001                                             | 76                            | 19                                        | 3                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|                                                   | January, 2001                                                     | 78                            | 17                                        | 1                           | 3                            | 1                       |
|                                                   | January, 2000                                                     | 77                            | 18                                        | 3                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|                                                   | July, 1999                                                        | 74                            | 19                                        | 4                           | 1                            | 2                       |
|                                                   | January, 1999                                                     | 74                            | 22                                        | 2                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|                                                   | January, 1998                                                     | 78                            | 17                                        | 3                           | 2                            | *                       |
|                                                   | January, 1997                                                     | 75                            | 20                                        | 3                           | 2                            | *                       |
| m.F2                                              | Taking steps to make the Social Security system financially sound |                               |                                           |                             |                              |                         |
|                                                   | Jan 6-10, 2010                                                    | 66                            | 28                                        | 3                           | 2                            | 1                       |
|                                                   | Jan 7-11, 2009                                                    | 63                            | 31                                        | 3                           | 1                            | 2                       |
|                                                   | January, 2008                                                     | 64                            | 28                                        | 4                           | 2                            | 2                       |
|                                                   | January, 2007                                                     | 64                            | 28                                        | 5                           | 2                            | 1                       |
|                                                   | January, 2006                                                     | 64                            | 28                                        | 4                           | 2                            | 2                       |
|                                                   | January, 2005                                                     | 70                            | 25                                        | 2                           | 2                            | 1                       |
|                                                   | Mid-January, 2004                                                 | 65                            | 28                                        | 4                           | 2                            | 1                       |
|                                                   | January, 2003                                                     | 59                            | 34                                        | 4                           | 1                            | 2                       |
|                                                   | January, 2002                                                     | 62                            | 32                                        | 3                           | 1                            | 2                       |
|                                                   | Early September, 2001                                             | 74                            | 22                                        | 2                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|                                                   | January, 2001                                                     | 74                            | 21                                        | 1                           | 2                            | 2                       |

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|      |                                                            | <u>Top</u><br><u>priority</u> | Important<br>but lower<br><u>priority</u> | Not too<br><u>important</u> | Should not<br><u>be done</u> | (VOL.)<br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|------|------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
|      | January, 2000                                              | 69                            | 27                                        | 2                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|      | July, 1999                                                 | 73                            | 23                                        | 3                           | *                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 1999                                              | 71                            | 24                                        | 3                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 1998                                              | 71                            | 24                                        | 4                           | 1                            | *                       |
|      | January, 1997                                              | 75                            | 20                                        | 2                           | 2                            | 1                       |
| n.F2 | Taking steps to make the Medicare system financially sound |                               |                                           |                             |                              |                         |
|      | Jan 6-10, 2010                                             | 63                            | 30                                        | 4                           | 1                            | 2                       |
|      | Jan 7-11, 2009                                             | 60                            | 32                                        | 5                           | 1                            | 2                       |
|      | January, 2008                                              | 60                            | 33                                        | 4                           | 1                            | 2                       |
|      | January, 2007                                              | 63                            | 31                                        | 3                           | 1                            | 2                       |
|      | January, 2006                                              | 62                            | 30                                        | 4                           | 2                            | 2                       |
|      | January, 2005                                              | 67                            | 29                                        | 3                           | 1                            | *                       |
|      | Mid-January, 2004                                          | 62                            | 32                                        | 4                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 2003                                              | 56                            | 39                                        | 4                           | *                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 2002                                              | 55                            | 38                                        | 5                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 2001                                              | 71                            | 24                                        | 2                           | 1                            | 2                       |
|      | January, 2000                                              | 64                            | 30                                        | 3                           | 1                            | 2                       |
|      | July, 1999                                                 | 71                            | 24                                        | 3                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 1999                                              | 62                            | 33                                        | 2                           | 1                            | 2                       |
|      | January, 1998                                              | 64                            | 31                                        | 3                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 1997                                              | 64                            | 31                                        | 3                           | 1                            | 1                       |
| o.F2 | Dealing with the problems of poor and needy people         |                               |                                           |                             |                              |                         |
|      | Jan 6-10, 2010                                             | 53                            | 38                                        | 6                           | 2                            | 2                       |
|      | Jan 7-11, 2009                                             | 50                            | 39                                        | 6                           | 3                            | 2                       |
|      | January, 2008                                              | 51                            | 37                                        | 7                           | 2                            | 3                       |
|      | January, 2007                                              | 55                            | 36                                        | 6                           | 2                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 2006                                              | 55                            | 36                                        | 6                           | 1                            | 2                       |
|      | January, 2005                                              | 59                            | 34                                        | 5                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|      | Mid-January, 2004                                          | 50                            | 42                                        | 6                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 2003                                              | 48                            | 45                                        | 5                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 2002                                              | 44                            | 46                                        | 7                           | 2                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 2001                                              | 63                            | 28                                        | 6                           | 1                            | 2                       |
|      | January, 2000                                              | 55                            | 38                                        | 4                           | 1                            | 2                       |
|      | July, 1999                                                 | 60                            | 33                                        | 5                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 1999                                              | 57                            | 37                                        | 4                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 1998                                              | 57                            | 34                                        | 6                           | 2                            | 1                       |
|      | January, 1997                                              | 57                            | 35                                        | 6                           | 2                            | *                       |
| p.F2 | Dealing with the moral breakdown in the country            |                               |                                           |                             |                              |                         |
|      | Jan 6-10, 2010                                             | 45                            | 31                                        | 13                          | 7                            | 4                       |
|      | Jan 7-11, 2009                                             | 45                            | 29                                        | 16                          | 6                            | 4                       |
|      | January, 2008                                              | 43                            | 31                                        | 13                          | 8                            | 5                       |
|      | January, 2007                                              | 47                            | 30                                        | 12                          | 8                            | 3                       |
|      | January, 2006                                              | 47                            | 26                                        | 14                          | 9                            | 4                       |
|      | January, 2005                                              | 41                            | 32                                        | 14                          | 10                           | 3                       |
|      | Mid-January, 2004                                          | 45                            | 31                                        | 13                          | 9                            | 2                       |
|      | January, 2003                                              | 39                            | 34                                        | 16                          | 7                            | 4                       |
|      | January, 2002                                              | 45                            | 32                                        | 12                          | 7                            | 4                       |
|      | January, 2001                                              | 51                            | 27                                        | 10                          | 7                            | 5                       |

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|                 | January, 2000                               | 48                            | 34                                        | 9                           | 6                            | 3                       |
|                 | July, 1999                                  | 55                            | 28                                        | 8                           | 5                            | 4                       |
|                 | January, 1999                               | 50                            | 31                                        | 10                          | 5                            | 4                       |
|                 | January, 1998                               | 48                            | 31                                        | 13                          | 6                            | 2                       |
|                 | January, 1997                               | 52                            | 29                                        | 10                          | 6                            | 3                       |
| q.F2            | Providing health insurance to the uninsured |                               |                                           |                             |                              |                         |
|                 | Jan 6-10, 2010                              | 49                            | 34                                        | 7                           | 7                            | 3                       |
|                 | Jan 7-11, 2009                              | 52                            | 33                                        | 6                           | 6                            | 3                       |
|                 | January, 2008                               | 54                            | 32                                        | 8                           | 4                            | 2                       |
|                 | January, 2007                               | 56                            | 31                                        | 7                           | 4                            | 2                       |
|                 | January, 2006                               | 59                            | 30                                        | 6                           | 2                            | 3                       |
|                 | January, 2005                               | 60                            | 30                                        | 7                           | 2                            | 1                       |
|                 | Mid-January, 2004                           | 54                            | 34                                        | 8                           | 3                            | 1                       |
|                 | January, 2003                               | 45                            | 41                                        | 10                          | 2                            | 2                       |
|                 | January, 2002                               | 43                            | 45                                        | 7                           | 3                            | 2                       |
|                 | January, 2001                               | 61                            | 31                                        | 4                           | 2                            | 2                       |
|                 | January, 2000                               | 55                            | 32                                        | 8                           | 2                            | 3                       |
| r.F2            | Strengthening the U.S. military             |                               |                                           |                             |                              |                         |
|                 | Jan 6-10, 2010                              | 49                            | 35                                        | 10                          | 5                            | 1                       |
|                 | Jan 7-11, 2009                              | 44                            | 39                                        | 8                           | 4                            | 5                       |
|                 | January, 2008                               | 42                            | 38                                        | 12                          | 5                            | 3                       |
|                 | January, 2007                               | 46                            | 35                                        | 10                          | 5                            | 4                       |
|                 | January, 2006                               | 42                            | 36                                        | 13                          | 6                            | 3                       |
|                 | January, 2005                               | 52                            | 35                                        | 8                           | 3                            | 2                       |
|                 | Mid-January, 2004                           | 48                            | 31                                        | 15                          | 5                            | 1                       |
|                 | January, 2003                               | 48                            | 34                                        | 11                          | 4                            | 3                       |
|                 | January, 2002                               | 52                            | 37                                        | 7                           | 2                            | 2                       |
|                 | January, 2001                               | 48                            | 37                                        | 8                           | 5                            | 2                       |
| <b>ASK ALL:</b> |                                             |                               |                                           |                             |                              |                         |
| s.              | Strengthening the nation's economy          |                               |                                           |                             |                              |                         |
|                 | Jan 6-10, 2010                              | 83                            | 14                                        | 1                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|                 | Jan 7-11, 2009                              | 85                            | 12                                        | *                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|                 | January, 2008                               | 75                            | 20                                        | 2                           | 1                            | 2                       |
|                 | January, 2007                               | 68                            | 25                                        | 4                           | 2                            | 1                       |
|                 | January, 2006                               | 66                            | 26                                        | 5                           | 1                            | 2                       |
|                 | January, 2005                               | 75                            | 22                                        | 2                           | *                            | 1                       |
|                 | Mid-January, 2004                           | 79                            | 16                                        | 2                           | 1                            | 2                       |
|                 | January, 2003                               | 73                            | 23                                        | 2                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|                 | January, 2002                               | 71                            | 26                                        | 2                           | *                            | 1                       |
|                 | Early September, 2001 <sup>7</sup>          | 80                            | 18                                        | 1                           | *                            | 1                       |
|                 | January, 2001                               | 81                            | 15                                        | 2                           | 1                            | 1                       |
|                 | January, 2000                               | 70                            | 25                                        | 3                           | 1                            | 1                       |

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|                                                   |                                                                               | priority | but lower | important | be done    | DK/Ref |
| <b>ASK ITEMS t THRU w OF FORM 2 ONLY [N=740]:</b> |                                                                               |          | priority  |           |            |        |
| t.F2                                              | Dealing with the nation's energy problem                                      |          |           |           |            |        |
|                                                   | Jan 6-10, 2010                                                                | 49       | 39        | 7         | 2          | 2      |
|                                                   | Jan 7-11, 2009                                                                | 60       | 32        | 5         | 1          | 2      |
|                                                   | January, 2008                                                                 | 59       | 32        | 6         | 1          | 2      |
|                                                   | January, 2007                                                                 | 57       | 35        | 6         | 1          | 1      |
|                                                   | January, 2006                                                                 | 58       | 33        | 6         | 1          | 2      |
|                                                   | January, 2005                                                                 | 47       | 42        | 7         | 1          | 3      |
|                                                   | Mid-January, 2004                                                             | 46       | 41        | 10        | 1          | 2      |
|                                                   | January, 2003                                                                 | 40       | 46        | 10        | 1          | 3      |
|                                                   | January, 2002                                                                 | 42       | 46        | 7         | 2          | 3      |
|                                                   | Early September, 2001 <sup>8</sup>                                            | 46       | 41        | 6         | 2          | 5      |
| <b>NO ITEM u.</b>                                 |                                                                               |          |           |           |            |        |
| v.F2                                              | Reducing the influence of lobbyists and special interest groups in Washington |          |           |           |            |        |
|                                                   | Jan 6-10, 2010                                                                | 36       | 34        | 18        | 7          | 6      |
|                                                   | Jan 7-11, 2009                                                                | 36       | 34        | 18        | 5          | 7      |
|                                                   | January, 2008                                                                 | 39       | 32        | 16        | 4          | 9      |
|                                                   | January, 2007                                                                 | 35       | 30        | 23        | 4          | 8      |
| w.F2                                              | Dealing with global warming                                                   |          |           |           |            |        |
|                                                   | Jan 6-10, 2010                                                                | 28       | 36        | 20        | 14         | 2      |
|                                                   | Jan 7-11, 2009                                                                | 30       | 37        | 19        | 10         | 4      |
|                                                   | January, 2008                                                                 | 35       | 38        | 15        | 7          | 5      |
|                                                   | January, 2007                                                                 | 38       | 34        | 16        | 8          | 4      |

8 In Early September 2001 the item was worded: "Passing a comprehensive energy plan."

**ASK ALL:**

PARTY In politics TODAY, do you consider yourself a Republican, Democrat, or Independent?

**IF ANSWERED 3, 4, 5 OR 9 IN PARTY, ASK:**

PARTYLN As of today do you lean more to the Republican Party or more to the Democratic Party?

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|                      | <u>Republican</u> | <u>Democrat</u> | <u>Independent</u> | <u>No</u>         | <u>Other</u> | <u>DK/Ref</u> | <u>Rep</u> | <u>Dem</u> |
|                      |                   |                 |                    | <u>preference</u> | <u>party</u> |               |            |            |
| Jan 6-10, 2010       | 22                | 33              | 42                 | 2                 | 1            | 2             | 17         | 16         |
| Dec 9-13, 2009       | 25                | 32              | 38                 | 2                 | *            | 2             | 14         | 15         |
| Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009   | 27                | 35              | 32                 | 3                 | *            | 2             | 13         | 13         |
| Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009   | 23                | 34              | 37                 | 3                 | 1            | 3             | 16         | 14         |
| Sep 10-15, 2009      | 23                | 34              | 34                 | 4                 | *            | 5             | 13         | 17         |
| Aug 20-27, 2009      | 26                | 32              | 36                 | 3                 | *            | 3             | 14         | 16         |
| Aug 11-17, 2009      | 23                | 33              | 38                 | 3                 | *            | 3             | 16         | 15         |
| Jul 22-26, 2009      | 22                | 34              | 37                 | 5                 | *            | 2             | 15         | 14         |
| Jun 10-14, 2009      | 25                | 34              | 34                 | 3                 | *            | 3             | 11         | 16         |
| Apr 28-May 12, 2009  | 23                | 39              | 29                 | 4                 | *            | 4             | 9          | 14         |
| Mar 31-Apr 21, 2009  | 22                | 33              | 39                 | 3                 | *            | 3             | 13         | 18         |
| Mar 9-12, 2009       | 24                | 34              | 35                 | 5                 | *            | 2             | 12         | 17         |
| Feb 4-8, 2009        | 24                | 36              | 34                 | 3                 | 1            | 2             | 13         | 17         |
| Jan 7-11, 2009       | 25                | 37              | 33                 | 3                 | *            | 2             | 11         | 16         |
| <b>Yearly Totals</b> |                   |                 |                    |                   |              |               |            |            |
| 2009                 | 23.9              | 34.4            | 35.1               | 3.4               | .4           | 2.8           | 13.1       | 15.7       |
| 2008                 | 25.3              | 35.8            | 31.7               | 3.8               | .3           | 3.1           | 10.5       | 15.4       |
| 2007                 | 25.4              | 32.9            | 33.7               | 4.6               | .4           | 3.1           | 10.7       | 16.7       |
| 2006                 | 27.6              | 32.8            | 30.3               | 5.0               | .4           | 3.9           | 10.2       | 14.5       |
| 2005                 | 29.2              | 32.8            | 30.3               | 4.5               | .3           | 2.8           | 10.2       | 14.9       |
| 2004                 | 29.7              | 33.4            | 29.8               | 3.9               | .4           | 2.9           | 11.7       | 13.4       |
| 2003                 | 29.8              | 31.4            | 31.2               | 4.7               | .5           | 2.5           | 12.1       | 13.0       |
| 2002                 | 30.3              | 31.2            | 30.1               | 5.1               | .7           | 2.7           | 12.6       | 11.6       |
| 2001                 | 29.2              | 33.6            | 28.9               | 5.1               | .5           | 2.7           | 11.7       | 11.4       |
| 2001 Post-Sept 11    | 30.9              | 31.8            | 27.9               | 5.2               | .6           | 3.6           | 11.7       | 9.4        |
| 2001 Pre-Sept 11     | 28.2              | 34.6            | 29.5               | 5.0               | .5           | 2.1           | 11.7       | 12.5       |
| 2000                 | 27.5              | 32.5            | 29.5               | 5.9               | .5           | 4.0           | 11.6       | 11.6       |
| 1999                 | 26.6              | 33.5            | 33.7               | 3.9               | .5           | 1.9           | 13.0       | 14.5       |
| 1998                 | 27.5              | 33.2            | 31.9               | 4.6               | .4           | 2.4           | 11.8       | 13.5       |
| 1997                 | 28.2              | 33.3            | 31.9               | 4.0               | .4           | 2.3           | 12.3       | 13.8       |
| 1996                 | 29.2              | 32.7            | 33.0               | 5.2               | --           | --            | 12.7       | 15.6       |
| 1995                 | 31.4              | 29.7            | 33.4               | 5.4               | --           | --            | 14.4       | 12.9       |
| 1994                 | 29.8              | 31.8            | 33.8               | 4.6               | --           | --            | 14.3       | 12.6       |
| 1993                 | 27.4              | 33.8            | 34.0               | 4.8               | --           | --            | 11.8       | 14.7       |
| 1992                 | 27.7              | 32.7            | 35.7               | 3.9               | --           | --            | 13.8       | 15.8       |
| 1991                 | 30.9              | 31.4            | 33.2               | 4.5               | --           | --            | 14.6       | 10.8       |
| 1990                 | 31.0              | 33.1            | 29.1               | 6.8               | --           | --            | 12.4       | 11.3       |
| 1989                 | 33                | 33              | 34                 | --                | --           | --            | --         | --         |
| 1987                 | 26                | 35              | 39                 | --                | --           | --            | --         | --         |

**ASK REPUBLICANS AND REPUBLICAN LEANERS (PARTY=1 OR PARTYLN=1)**

Q.31 Would you like to see Republican leaders in Washington move in a more conservative direction or a more moderate direction?

**BASED ON REPUBLICAN AND REPUBLICAN-LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=553]:**

| Jan 6-10    |                           | Nov 6-9 <sup>9</sup> |  |
|-------------|---------------------------|----------------------|--|
| <u>2010</u> |                           | <u>2008</u>          |  |
| 55          | Conservative              | 60                   |  |
| 38          | Moderate                  | 35                   |  |
| 3           | No change (VOL.)          | 1                    |  |
| 5           | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) | 4                    |  |

**ASK DEMOCRATS AND DEMOCRATIC LEANERS (PARTY=2 OR PARTYLN=2)**

Q.32 Would you like to see Democratic leaders in Washington move in a more liberal direction or a more moderate direction?

**BASED ON DEMOCRATIC AND DEMOCRATIC-LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=548]:**

| Jan 6-10    |                           | Nov 6-9 <sup>10</sup> |  |
|-------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| <u>2010</u> |                           | <u>2008</u>           |  |
| 33          | Liberal                   | 33                    |  |
| 56          | Moderate                  | 57                    |  |
| 3           | No change (VOL.)          | 2                     |  |
| 9           | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) | 8                     |  |

**NO QUESTIONS 33-34**

**ASK ALL:**

Now thinking about health care...

Q.35 How much, if anything, have you heard about the bills in Congress to overhaul the health care system?  
Have you heard...[READ]

| Jan 6-10    |                           | Dec 9-13    | Oct 28-Nov 8 | Sep 30-Oct 4 | Sep 10-15   | Aug 20-27   | Jul 22-26   |
|-------------|---------------------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| <u>2010</u> |                           | <u>2009</u> | <u>2009</u>  | <u>2009</u>  | <u>2009</u> | <u>2009</u> | <u>2009</u> |
| 46          | A lot                     | 51          | 49           | 46           | 60          | 53          | 41          |
| 45          | A little [OR]             | 39          | 42           | 43           | 34          | 40          | 47          |
| 8           | Nothing at all            | 9           | 7            | 10           | 5           | 7           | 10          |
| 1           | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) | 1           | 1            | 1            | 1           | 1           | 1           |

9 Data from post-election callback survey of people who reported voting in the 2008 election.

10 Data from post-election callback survey of people who reported voting in the 2008 election.

**ASK ALL:**

Q.36 As of right now, do you generally favor or generally oppose the health care bills being discussed in Congress?

**ASK IF FAVOR OR OPPOSE (Q.36=1,2) [N=1317]:**

Q.36a Do you (favor/oppose) these health care bills very strongly, or not so strongly?<sup>11</sup>

|                         |                           | Dec<br>9-13<br><u>2009</u> | Nov<br>12-15<br><u>2009</u> | Oct 28-<br>Nov 8<br><u>2009</u> | Sep 30-<br>Oct 4<br><u>2009</u> | Sep<br>10-15<br><u>2009</u> | Aug<br>20-27<br><u>2009</u> | Jul<br>22-26<br><u>2009</u> |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Jan 6-10<br><u>2010</u> |                           |                            |                             |                                 |                                 |                             |                             |                             |
| 39                      | Generally favor           | 35                         | 42                          | 38                              | 34                              | 42                          | 39                          | 38                          |
| 23                      | Very strongly             | --                         | --                          | --                              | 20                              | 29                          | 25                          | --                          |
| 14                      | Not so strongly           | --                         | --                          | --                              | 13                              | 11                          | 13                          | --                          |
| 2                       | Don't know (how strongly) | --                         | --                          | --                              | 1                               | 2                           | 1                           | --                          |
| 48                      | Generally oppose          | 48                         | 39                          | 47                              | 47                              | 44                          | 46                          | 44                          |
| 36                      | Very strongly             | --                         | --                          | --                              | 35                              | 34                          | 34                          | --                          |
| 11                      | Not so strongly           | --                         | --                          | --                              | 11                              | 10                          | 12                          | --                          |
| 1                       | Don't know (how strongly) | --                         | --                          | --                              | 1                               | *                           | 1                           | --                          |
| 13                      | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) | 17                         | 19                          | 15                              | 19                              | 14                          | 15                          | 18                          |

**ASK ALL:**

Q.37 Thinking about how the proposed changes to health care might affect you and your family ... If a health care bill becomes law, would [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE], get better, get worse or stay the same? How about [NEXT ITEM]? [REPEAT AS NECESSARY "If a health care bill becomes law, would [ITEM] get better, get worse or stay the same?"]

|    |                                                                                                | <u>Get better</u> | <u>Get worse</u> | <u>Stay the<br/>same</u> | (VOL.)<br><u>Does not<br/>apply</u> | (VOL.)<br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|----|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| a. | Your out-of-pocket health care costs<br>Jan 6-10, 2010                                         | 21                | 40               | 28                       | 1                                   | 9                       |
| b. | Your choice of doctors and hospitals<br>Jan 6-10, 2010                                         | 16                | 34               | 40                       | 1                                   | 9                       |
| c. | The quality of health care you receive<br>Jan 6-10, 2010                                       | 18                | 33               | 41                       | *                                   | 8                       |
| d. | The length of time you wait<br>for medical appointments<br>Jan 6-10, 2010                      | 14                | 40               | 36                       | 1                                   | 10                      |
| e. | Your ability to get health insurance<br>if you changed or lost a job<br>Jan 6-10, 2010         | 33                | 26               | 26                       | 7                                   | 9                       |
| f. | Your ability to get health insurance if<br>you have a pre-existing condition<br>Jan 6-10, 2010 | 39                | 21               | 29                       | 2                                   | 9                       |

11 From December 9-13, 2009 and earlier, questions 36 and 36a asked about "health care proposals" rather than "health care bills".

**ASK ALL:**

Q.38 Who do you trust more when it comes to deciding what kinds of medical procedures should be covered by health insurance? **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**

| Jan 6-10<br><u>2010</u> |                                  | Jul 22-26<br><u>2009</u> |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 45                      | Private insurance companies [OR] | 38                       |
| 31                      | The government                   | 32                       |
| 1                       | Both <b>(VOL.)</b>               | 1                        |
| 16                      | Neither <b>(VOL.)</b>            | 19                       |
| 3                       | Other <b>(VOL.)</b>              | 2                        |
| 5                       | Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b> | 8                        |

**ASK ALL:**

Q.39 Are you, yourself, now covered by any form of health insurance or health plan or are you not covered at this time? **[READ IF NECESSARY: A health plan would include any private insurance plan through your employer or a plan that you purchased yourself, as well as a government program like Medicare or Medicaid]**<sup>12</sup>

**ASK IF COVERED IN Q.39 (Q.39=1) [N=1,323]:**

Q.40 What is your main source of health coverage? **[PAUSE]** Do you have a plan through an employer, a plan you purchased yourself, are you covered by Medicare or Medicaid, some other government program, or do you get your health insurance from somewhere else?<sup>13</sup>

| Jan 6-10<br><u>2010</u> |                                  | Dec 9-13<br><u>2009</u> | Oct 28-Nov 8<br><u>2009</u> | Sep 30-Oct 4<br><u>2009</u> | Jul 22-26<br><u>2009</u> | Jun 10-14<br><u>2009</u> |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 83                      | Covered by health insurance      | 83                      | 80                          | 80                          | 81                       | 81                       |
| 46                      | Plan through an employer         | --                      | --                          | 48                          | 45                       | --                       |
| 9                       | Plan you purchased yourself      | --                      | --                          | 8                           | 9                        | --                       |
| 16                      | Medicare                         | --                      | --                          | 13                          | 14                       | --                       |
| 4                       | Medicaid                         | --                      | --                          | 4                           | 3                        | --                       |
| 5                       | Other government program         | --                      | --                          | 4                           | 4                        | --                       |
| 3                       | Somewhere else                   | --                      | --                          | 3                           | 4                        | --                       |
| 1                       | Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b> | --                      | --                          | 1                           | 1                        | --                       |
| 17                      | Not covered by health insurance  | 16                      | 20                          | 20                          | 19                       | 18                       |
| *                       | Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b> | *                       | *                           | *                           | *                        | *                        |

**ASK ALL**

And on a different subject...

Q.41 A few years ago, a law was passed that put major restrictions on corporations and labor unions giving money to political parties and campaigns. Do you think these restrictions are a good idea or a bad idea?

| Jan 6-10<br><u>2010</u> |                                  |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 67                      | Good idea                        |
| 25                      | Bad idea                         |
| 8                       | Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b> |

**NO QUESTIONS 42-44**

12 In 2009, question read "Are you, yourself, now covered by any form of health insurance or health plan or do you not have health insurance at this time?"

13 In 2009, question read "Which of the following is your MAIN source of health insurance coverage? Is it a plan through an employer, a plan you purchased yourself, are you covered by Medicare or Medicaid, some other government program, or do you get your health insurance from somewhere else?"

**ASK ALL:**

Thinking about the issue of terrorism for a moment...

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=764]:**

Q.45F1 Overall, do you think the ability of terrorists to launch another major attack on the U.S. is greater, the same, or less than it was at the time of the September 11<sup>th</sup> terrorist attacks?

|                     | <u>Greater</u> | <u>The same</u> | <u>Less</u> | <u>(VOL.)</u><br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|---------------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------------------------|
| Jan 6-10, 2010      | 33             | 35              | 29          | 3                              |
| Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009  | 29             | 38              | 29          | 4                              |
| Feb 4-8, 2009       | 17             | 44              | 35          | 4                              |
| Mid-September, 2008 | 18             | 43              | 36          | 3                              |
| Late-February, 2008 | 16             | 41              | 39          | 4                              |
| December, 2006      | 23             | 41              | 31          | 5                              |
| August, 2006        | 25             | 37              | 33          | 5                              |
| January, 2006       | 17             | 39              | 39          | 5                              |
| Late-October, 2005  | 26             | 41              | 29          | 4                              |
| July, 2005          | 28             | 40              | 29          | 3                              |
| July, 2004          | 24             | 39              | 34          | 3                              |
| Late-August, 2002   | 22             | 39              | 34          | 5                              |

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=740]:**

Q.46F2 In general, how well do you think the U.S. government is doing in reducing the threat of terrorism?

**[READ]**

|                            | <u>Very well</u> | <u>Fairly well</u> | <u>Not too well</u> | <u>Not at all well</u> | <u>(VOL.)</u><br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|----------------------------|------------------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Jan 6-10, 2010             | 15               | 50                 | 21                  | 12                     | 2                              |
| Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009         | 20               | 53                 | 14                  | 8                      | 4                              |
| Mar 31-Apr 21, 2009        | 19               | 56                 | 15                  | 5                      | 5                              |
| Feb 4-8, 2009              | 22               | 49                 | 16                  | 6                      | 7                              |
| Late February, 2008        | 21               | 45                 | 19                  | 12                     | 3                              |
| January, 2007              | 17               | 37                 | 27                  | 17                     | 2                              |
| December, 2006             | 17               | 48                 | 21                  | 11                     | 3                              |
| August, 2006               | 22               | 52                 | 16                  | 8                      | 2                              |
| February, 2006             | 16               | 52                 | 20                  | 10                     | 2                              |
| January, 2006              | 16               | 50                 | 20                  | 9                      | 5                              |
| Late October, 2005         | 17               | 50                 | 22                  | 9                      | 2                              |
| July, 2005                 | 17               | 53                 | 19                  | 8                      | 3                              |
| July, 2004                 | 18               | 53                 | 17                  | 8                      | 4                              |
| August, 2003               | 19               | 56                 | 16                  | 7                      | 2                              |
| Early November, 2002 (RVs) | 15               | 54                 | 19                  | 8                      | 4                              |
| June, 2002                 | 16               | 60                 | 16                  | 4                      | 4                              |
| Early November, 2001       | 35               | 46                 | 9                   | 5                      | 5                              |
| October 15-21, 2001        | 38               | 46                 | 9                   | 4                      | 3                              |
| October 10-14, 2001        | 48               | 40                 | 6                   | 2                      | 4                              |

**ASK ALL:**

- Q.47 What concerns you more about the government's anti-terrorism policies? **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]:**  
That they have gone too far in restricting the average person's civil liberties [OR] That they have not gone far enough to adequately protect the country

|                             | Have gone too far<br>in restricting<br><u>civil liberties</u> | Have not gone<br>far enough<br><u>to protect country</u> | (VOL.)<br>Both/Neither/<br>Approve<br><u>of policies</u> | (VOL.)<br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Jan 6-10, 2010              | 27                                                            | 58                                                       | 8                                                        | 8                       |
| Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009          | 36                                                            | 40                                                       | 13                                                       | 11                      |
| Feb 4-8, 2009 <sup>14</sup> | 36                                                            | 42                                                       | 9                                                        | 13                      |
| Late February, 2008         | 36                                                            | 47                                                       | 9                                                        | 8                       |
| August, 2006                | 26                                                            | 55                                                       | 11                                                       | 8                       |
| February, 2006              | 33                                                            | 50                                                       | 10                                                       | 7                       |
| January, 2006               | 33                                                            | 46                                                       | 12                                                       | 9                       |
| Late October, 2005          | 34                                                            | 48                                                       | 10                                                       | 8                       |
| July, 2005                  | 31                                                            | 52                                                       | 10                                                       | 7                       |
| July, 2004                  | 29                                                            | 49                                                       | 11                                                       | 11                      |

**ASK ALL:**

- Q.48 As an increased security measure, would you favor or oppose requiring that all airport passengers are subject to whole-body scans that can see through clothing?

Jan 6-10

2010

74 Favor  
22 Oppose  
4 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

14 In February 2009 the question asked whether the policies "go too far in restricting the average person's civil liberties" or "do not go far enough to adequately protect the country."

**ASK ALL:**

On a different subject ...

QC.1 Have you ever heard of the United States Census, or have you not heard of this?

Jan 6-10

2010

|    |                                    |
|----|------------------------------------|
| 84 | Yes, have heard                    |
| 15 | No, have not heard                 |
| *  | Don't know/Refused ( <b>VOL.</b> ) |

**ASK IF HAVE NOT HEARD OF THE CENSUS (QC.1=2 OR QC.1=9) [N=172]:**

QC.2 The Census is the count of all people who live in the United States. Have you ever heard of that before, or have you not heard of that?

**BASED ON TOTAL:**

Jan 6-10

2010

|    |                                      |
|----|--------------------------------------|
| 8  | Yes, have heard                      |
| 8  | No, have not heard                   |
| 0  | Don't know/Refused ( <b>VOL.</b> )   |
| 84 | <i>Have heard of Census (Q.C1=1)</i> |

**ASK IF HAVE HEARD OF THE CENSUS (QC.1=1 OR QC.2=1) [N=1,418]:**

QC.3 Have you seen or heard anything recently--within the last month or so--about the Census, or have you not seen or heard anything recently?

**BASED ON TOTAL:**

Jan 6-10

2010

|    |                                          |
|----|------------------------------------------|
| 44 | Yes, have seen or heard recently         |
| 48 | No, have not seen or heard recently      |
| *  | Don't know/Refused ( <b>VOL.</b> )       |
| 8  | <i>Have not heard of Census (QC.2=2)</i> |

**ASK ALL:**

QC.4 How likely are you to participate in the 2010 Census? By participate, we mean fill out and mail in a Census form. Would you say you [**READ**]?

Jan 6-10

2010

|    |                                   |
|----|-----------------------------------|
| 58 | Definitely will                   |
| 23 | Probably will                     |
| 10 | Might or might not                |
| 4  | Probably will not                 |
| 2  | Definitely will not               |
| 2  | Don't know/Refused( <b>VOL.</b> ) |

**ASK IF WILL NOT PARTICIPATE (QC.4=4 OR QC.4=5) [N=81]:**

QC.4a Why are you NOT likely to participate in the Census? **[RECORD VERBATIM RESPONSE. DO NOT PROBE FOR ADDITIONAL MENTIONS. IF MORE THAN ONE MENTION, RECORD IN ORDER OF MENTION]**

**BASED ON THOSE WHO SAY THEY WILL NOT PARTICIPATE [N=81]**

|    |                                                            |
|----|------------------------------------------------------------|
| 32 | No time/No interest/Not important <b>(NET)</b>             |
| 17 | No time/Too busy                                           |
| 15 | Not interested/Not important to me                         |
| 25 | Don't know much about it/Never done before                 |
| 18 | Distrust government/Census/Don't think Census is important |
| 8  | Privacy concerns                                           |
| 12 | Other                                                      |
| 14 | Don't know/Refused                                         |

Figures add to more than 100% due to multiple response.

**ASK ALL:**

QC.5 How important do you think the Census is for the United States? Would you say it is **[READ]**?

Jan 6-10

2010

|    |                                  |
|----|----------------------------------|
| 60 | Very important                   |
| 30 | Somewhat important               |
| 5  | Not too important                |
| 3  | Not at all important             |
| 3  | Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b> |

**ASK ALL:**

QC.6 Do you believe that answering and sending back your Census form would personally benefit you in any way, personally harm you, or neither benefit nor harm you?

Jan 6-10

2010

|    |                                  |
|----|----------------------------------|
| 27 | Personally benefit me            |
| 3  | Personally harm me               |
| 66 | Neither benefit nor harm me      |
| 5  | Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b> |

**ASK ALL:**

QC.7 As far as you know, does the law require you to answer the Census form, or are you not required to answer it?

Jan 6-10

2010

|    |                                  |
|----|----------------------------------|
| 31 | Yes, it is required              |
| 46 | No, it is not required           |
| 23 | Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b> |

**RANDOMIZE ORDER OF QC.8/QC.9/QC.10:****ASK ALL:**

QC.8 As far as you know, is the Census used to decide how many representatives each state will have in Congress, or is it not used for this?

Jan 6-10

2010

|    |                           |
|----|---------------------------|
| 64 | Yes, used for this        |
| 20 | No, not used for this     |
| 17 | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) |

**RANDOMIZE ORDER OF QC.8/QC.9/QC.10:****ASK ALL:**

QC.9 As far as you know, is the Census used to locate illegal immigrants so they can be arrested, or is it not used for this?

Jan 6-10

2010

|    |                           |
|----|---------------------------|
| 11 | Yes, used for this        |
| 68 | No, not used for this     |
| 20 | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) |

**RANDOMIZE ORDER OF QC.8/QC.9/QC.10:****ASK ALL:**

QC.10 As far as you know, is the Census used to decide how much money communities will get from the government, or is it not used for this?

Jan 6-10

2010

|    |                           |
|----|---------------------------|
| 59 | Yes, used for this        |
| 21 | No, not used for this     |
| 20 | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) |

**ASK ALL:**

PVOTE08A In the 2008 presidential election between Barack Obama and John McCain, did things come up that kept you from voting, or did you happen to vote?

**IF YES (1 IN PVOTE08A) ASK [N=1218]:**

PVOTE08B Did you vote for Obama, McCain or someone else?

**BASED ON TOTAL:**

Jan 6-10

2010

|    |                                               |
|----|-----------------------------------------------|
| 75 | Voted                                         |
| 38 | Obama                                         |
| 29 | McCain                                        |
| 3  | Other candidate                               |
| 5  | Don't remember which candidate/Refused (VOL.) |
| 24 | Did not vote (includes too young to vote)     |
| 1  | Don't remember if voted/ Refused (VOL.)       |

Mar 31-Apr 21

2009

|    |
|----|
| 78 |
| 40 |
| 28 |
| 4  |
| 6  |
| 22 |
| *  |