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**EARLY OCTOBER 2012 POLITICAL SURVEY**

**FINAL QUESTIONNAIRE**

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October 4-7, 2012; N=1,500 + interviews of adults 18+ (English and Spanish)

Pretest: Tuesday, Oct. 2, 2012

**LANDLINE INTRO:**

Hello, I am \_\_\_\_\_ calling for Princeton Survey Research Associates. We are conducting a **[RANDOMIZE:** “telephone opinion survey for leading newspapers and TV stations around the country” **AND** “study about some important issues today and would like to include your household”**]** . I’d like to ask a few questions of the **[RANDOMIZE**: “YOUNGEST MALE, 18 years of age or older, who is now at home” **AND** “YOUNGEST FEMALE, 18 years of age or older, who is now at home?”**]** **[IF NO MALE/FEMALE, ASK:** May I please speak with the YOUNGEST FEMALE/MALE, 18 years of age or older, who is now at home?] **GO TO MAIN INTERVIEW**

**CELL PHONE INTRO:**

Hello, I am \_\_\_ calling for [Princeton Survey Research]. We are conducting a **[RANDOMIZE:** “survey for leading newspapers and TV stations around the country” **AND** “study about some important issues today and would like to include you”**]**. I know I am calling you on a cell phone. If you would like to be reimbursed for your cell phone minutes, we will pay all eligible respondents $5 for participating in this survey. This is not a sales call. **[IF R SAYS DRIVING/UNABLE TO TAKE CALL;** Thank you.We will try you another time…**]**.

**VOICE MAIL MESSAGE (LEAVE ONLY ONCE -- THE FIRST TIME A CALL GOES TO VOICEMAIL):** I am calling for Princeton Survey Research. We are conducting a **[ASSIGN BASED ON RANDOMIZATION ABOVE:** “national survey of cell phone users” AND “study about some important issues today and would like to include you”**]**. This is NOT a sales call.

**SCREENING INTERVIEW:**

S1. Are you under 18 years old, OR are you 18 or older?

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 1 | Under 18 |
| 2 | 18 or older |
| 9 | Don’t know/Refused |

**IF S1=2, CONTINUE WITH MAIN INTERVIEW**

**IF S1=1,9 THANK AND TERMINATE: This survey is limited to adults age 18 and over.  I won’t take any more of your time…**

**READ TO ALL CELL PHONE**

**INTRODUCTION TO MAIN INTERVIEW:** If you are now driving a car or doing any activity requiring your full attention, I need to call you back later. The first question is…

**INTERVIEWER:**

**IF R SAYS IT IS NOT A GOOD TIME, TRY TO ARRANGE A TIME TO CALL BACK.  OFFER THE TOLL-FREE CALL-IN NUMBER THEY CAN USE TO COMPLETE THE SURVEY BEFORE ENDING THE CONVERSATION.**

**[PROGRAMMER NOTE: PLEASE INCLUDE THE INTRODUCTION RANDOMIZATION VARIABLES IN THE ALL CONTACTS FILES. WE WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO RUN RESPONSE RATES SEPARATELY FOR EACH VERSION OF THE INTRODUCTION FOR THE LANDLINE AND CELL FRAMES SEPARATELY.]**

**ASK ALL:**

THOUGHT How much thought have you given to the coming presidential election...Quite a lot or only a little?

1 Quite a lot

2 Some **(VOL.)**

3 Little

4 None **(VOL.)**

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

CAMPNII How closely have you been following news about candidates for the 2012 presidential election… very closely, fairly closely, not too closely, or not at all closely?

1 Very closely

2 Fairly closely

3 Not too closely

4 Not at all closely

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

REG Which of these statements best describes you? **[READ IN ORDER] [INSTRUCTION: BE SURE TO CLARIFY WHETHER RESPONDENT IS ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN THEY ARE REGISTERED OR ONLY PROBABLY REGISTERED; IF RESPONDENT VOLUNTEERS THAT THEY ARE IN NORTH DAKOTA AND DON’T HAVE TO REGISTER, PUNCH 1]**

1 Are you ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN that you are registered to vote at your current address [OR]

2 Are you PROBABLY registered, but there is a chance your registration has lapsed [OR]

3 Are you NOT registered to vote at your current address

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don’t know/Refused

**ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REG=1):**

PRECINCT Have you ever voted in your precinct or election district?

1 Yes

2 No

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REG=1):**

FOLGOV Would you say you follow what’s going on in government and public affairs **[READ]**?

1 Most of the time

2 Some of the time

3 Only now and then [OR]

4 Hardly at all

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don't know/Refused

**NO QUESTIONS 1-4**

**ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REG=1):**

Q.5 If the presidential election were being held TODAY, would you vote **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]?**

1 for the Republican ticket of Mitt Romney and Paul Ryan [OR]

2 for the Democratic ticket of Barack Obama and Joe Biden

3 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Other candidate

8 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don’t know

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Refused

**ASK IF OTHER OR DK (Q.5=3-9):**

Q.5a As of TODAY, do you LEAN more to **[READ IN SAME ORDER AS Q.5]**?

1 Romney and Ryan, the Republicans [OR]

2 Obama and Biden, the Democrats

3 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Other candidate

8 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don’t know

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Refused

**ASK IF CHOSE ROMNEY OR OBAMA (Q.5=1,2):**

Q.5b Do you support **[INSERT LAST NAME OF PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE CHOSEN IN Q.5; DO NOT READ VP CHOICE]** strongly or only moderately?

1 Strongly

2 Only moderately

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**NO QUESTION 6**

**ASK IF DID NOT CHOOSE ROMNEY IN Q.5 OR Q.5a (Q.5=2 OR Q.5a=2,3,8,9):**

Q.7 Do you think there is a chance that you might vote for Mitt Romney in November, or have you definitely decided not to vote for him?

1 Chance might vote for him

2 Decided not to vote for him

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK IF DID NOT CHOOSE OBAMA IN Q.5 OR Q.5a (Q.5=1 OR Q.5a=1,3,8,9):**

Q.8 Do you think there is a chance that you might vote for Barack Obama in November, or have you definitely decided not to vote for him?

1 Chance might vote for him

2 Decided not to vote for him

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**NO QUESTIONS 9-11**

**ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REG=1):**

Just in general…

OFTVOTE How often would you say you vote... **[READ]**

1 Always

2 Nearly always

3 Part of the time [OR]

4 Seldom

5 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Never vote

6 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Other response

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don't know/Refused

**ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REG=1):**

PLANTO1 Do you plan to vote in the election this November?

1 Yes

2 No

3 Already voted **(VOL.)**

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK IF PLAN TO VOTE (PLANTO1=1):**

PLANTO2 How certain are you that you will vote? Are you absolutely certain, fairly certain, or not certain?

1 Absolutely certain

2 Fairly certain

3 Not certain

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**NO QUESTION 11-14**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.15 Is your overall opinion of **[INSERT NAME, RANDOMIZE a-b, FOLLOWED BY c-d]** very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable? How about **[NEXT NAME]**? **[IF NECESSARY:** Just in general, is your overall opinion of **[NAME]** very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable?**] [INTERVIEWERS: PROBE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN “NEVER HEARD OF” AND “CAN’T RATE.”]**

a. Barack Obama

b. Mitt Romney

c. Joe Biden

d. Paul Ryan

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

1 Very favorable

2 Mostly favorable

3 Mostly unfavorable

4 Very unfavorable

5 Never heard of **(VOL.)**

8 Can’t rate **(VOL.)**

9 Refused **(VOL.)**

**NO QUESTIONS 16-19**

**ASK ALL:**

Thinking about the presidential campaign …

Q.20 Did you happen to watch the presidential debate between **[RANDOMIZE:** Barack Obama and Mitt Romney**]** on Wednesday night, or didn’t you get a chance to see it? **[IF YES, ASK**: How much of the debate did you watch: all of it, some of it, or only a little?**]**

1 Yes, all

2 Yes, some

3 Yes, a little

4 No, didn’t watch

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.21 **[IF WATCHED DEBATE (Q.20=1-3):** Regardless of which presidential candidate you support; **IF DID NOT WATCH DEBATE (Q.20=4,9):** From what you’ve heard or read**]**, who do you think did the better job in the presidential debate **[RANDOMIZE:** Barack Obama or Mitt Romney**]**?

1 Barack Obama

2 Mitt Romney

3 Neither/Both **(VOL.)**

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK IF WATCHED DEBATE (Q.20=1-3):**

Q.22 Overall, would you describe what you heard in the debate as **[RANDOMIZE:** mostly informative OR mostly confusing**]**?

1 Mostly informative

2 Mostly confusing

3 Neither/Both **(VOL.)**

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**NO QUESTIONS 23-25**

**RANDOMIZE ORDER OF Q.26 AND Q.27  
ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REG=1):**

Q.26 And as I read a list of phrases, tell me if you think each phrase better describes **[RANDOMIZE ORDER OF CANDIDATES:** Mitt Romney or Barack Obama**]**. **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]** – does this better describe **[READ IN SAME ORDER:** Romney or Obama**]**? What about **[INSERT ITEM]**? **[REPEAT IF NECESSARY:** “Would you say this better describes **[READ IN SAME ORDER:** Romney or Obama**]**?

a. A strong leader

b. Takes more moderate positions

c. Willing to work with leaders from the other party

d. Connects well with ordinary Americans

e. Honest and truthful

f. Has new ideas

g. Takes consistent positions on issues

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

1 Mitt Romney

2 Barack Obama

3 Neither **(VOL.)**

4 Both equally **(VOL.)**

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**RANDOMIZE ORDER OF Q.26 AND Q.27  
ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REG=1):**

Q.27 Regardless of who you support, which one of the presidential candidates **[RANDOMIZE ORDER OF CANDIDATES:** Mitt Romney or Barack Obama**]** do you think would do the better job of **[INSERT FIRST ITEM; RANDOMIZE]?** And who do you think would do the better job of **[INSERT NEXT ITEM]**? **[IF RESPONDENT MENTIONS ANYONE OTHER THAN ROMNEY OR OBAMA PROBE ONCE:** “If you had to choose between **(READ IN SAME ORDER:** Romney or Obama**)]**?

a. Improving the job situation

b. Dealing with health care

c. Reducing the federal budget deficit

d. Dealing with taxes

e. Making wise decisions about foreign policy

f. Dealing with Medicare

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

1 Mitt Romney

2 Barack Obama

3 Neither **(VOL.)**

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REG=1):**

Q.28 Overall, which candidate has better ideas about the role of the federal government in solving problems **[RANDOMIZE:** Mitt Romney or Barack Obama**]**?

1 Mitt Romney

2 Barack Obama

3 Neither **(VOL.)**

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**NO QUESTIONS 29-33**

**ASK ALL:**

On another subject…

Q.34 Since taking office, have Barack Obama’s economic policies made economic conditions better, worse, or not had an effect so far?

1 Better

2 Worse

3 No effect so far

8 Too soon/early to tell **(VOL.)**

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.35 Thinking about ways to reduce the deficit and size of the national debt, please tell me if you would approve or disapprove of each of the following. First, **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE; OBSERVE FORM SPLITS]** Would you approve or disapprove of thisas a way to reduce the size of the national debt?What about **[NEXT ITEM]**? **[IF NECESSARY:** Would you approve or disapprove of thisas a way to reduce the size of the national debt?**]**

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY:**

a.F1 Reduce federal funding for programs that help lower-income Americans

b.F1 Gradually raising the age at which people can begin receiving Social Security benefits

c.F1 Reduce federal funding for education

d.F1 Limit tax deductions for interest paid on home mortgages

**NO ITEM e**

f.F1 Raise the tax rate on investment income

g.F1 Reduce Medicare benefits for seniors with higher incomes

**ASK ALL:**

h. Reduce military defense spending

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY:**

i.F2 Raise the amount people on Medicare contribute to cover their health care costs

j.F2 Reduce federal funding for college student loan programs

k.F2 Limit tax deductions for large corporations

**NO ITEM l**

m.F2 Raise the income tax rate on incomes over $250,000 a year

n.F2 Reduce federal funding for scientific research

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

1 Approve

2 Disapprove

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**NO QUESTIONS 36-38**

**ASK ALL:**

Turning to foreign policy…

Q.39 Thinking about the relationship between the United States and Israel. Is the U.S. **[RANDOMIZE:** too supportive of Israel, not supportive enough of Israel**]**, or is U.S. support of Israel about right?

1 Too supportive

2 Not supportive enough

3 About right

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY:**

Thinking about Afghanistan…

Q.40F1 How well is the U.S. military effort in Afghanistan going? **[READ IN ORDER]**

1 Very well

2 Fairly well

3 Not too well [OR]

4 Not at all well

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don't know/Refused

**NO QUESTION 41**

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY:**

Q.42F1 Do you think the U.S. should keep military troops in Afghanistan until the situation has stabilized, or do you think the U.S. should remove troops as soon as possible?

1 Keep troops in Afghanistan

2 Remove troops

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY:**

Thinking about Afghanistan…

Q.43F2 From what you’ve read and heard, do you think Barack Obama is removing U.S. troops from Afghanistan too quickly, not quickly enough or is he handling this about right?

1 Too quickly

2 Not quickly enough

3 About right

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**NO QUESTIONS 44-51**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.52 Thinking about the dispute over Iran’s nuclear program, which is more important in your opinion **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**

1 To take a firm stand against Iranian actions [OR]

2 To avoid a military conflict with Iran

3 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Neither

4 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Both

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don’t know/Refused

**NO QUESTIONS 53-55**

**ASK ALL:**

Now,

Q.56 Thinking about our economic and trade policy toward China, which is more important **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**?

1 Building a stronger relationship with China on economic issues [OR]

2 Getting tougher with China on economic issues

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don’t know/Refused

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY:**

Q.57F1 As you may know, recent protests and uprisings in Middle Eastern countries, such as Egypt and Libya, have led to major changes in political leadership. From what you have read and heard, do you think these changes will lead to lasting improvements for people living in these countries, or not?

1 Yes, will lead to lasting improvements

2 No, will not lead to lasting improvements

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY:**

Q.58F1 Do you think these changes in political leadership in the Middle East will end up being **[RANDOMIZE:** good for the United States,bad for the United States**]** or won’t have much effect on the United States?

1 Will be good for the United States

2 Will be bad for the United States

3 Won’t have much of an effect on the United States

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY:**

Q.59F2 When it comes to recent changes in political leadership in Middle Eastern countries such as Egypt and Libya, do you think the United States should be **[RANDOMIZE:** more involved OR less involved**]** than it currently is?

1 More involved

2 Less involved

3 Neither/As involved as we should be **(VOL.)**

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY:**

Q.60F2 Thinking about the political situation in the Middle East, which is more important **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**?

1 Democratic governments, even if there is less stability in the region [OR]

2 Stable governments, even if there is less democracy in the region

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don’t know/Refused

**ASK ALL:**

On a different subject…

Q.61 From what you’ve read and heard, is there solid evidence that the average temperature on earth has been getting warmer over the past few decades, or not?

1 Yes

2 No

3 Mixed/some evidence **(VOL.)**

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK IF EARTH IS GETTING WARMER (Q.61=1):**

Q.61a Do you believe that the earth is getting warmer **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**?

1 Mostly because of human activity such as burning fossil fuels [OR]

2 Mostly because of natural patterns in the earth’s environment

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don’t know/Refused

**ASK ALL:**

Q.62 In your view, is global warming a very serious problem, somewhat serious, not too serious, or not a problem?

1 Very serious problem

2 Somewhat serious

3 Not too serious

4 Not a problem

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.63 From what you’ve heard or read, do scientists generally agree that the earth is getting warmer because of human activity, or do they not generally agree about this?

1 Yes, scientists generally agree that the earth is getting warmer because of human activity

2 No, do not generally agree that the earth is getting warmer because of human activity

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**RANDOMIZE ORDER OF Q.64 AND Q.65  
ASK ALL:**

Q.64 (Next,) Thinking about what Barack Obama might do for some groups if he were elected for a second term, do you think his policies would help **[INSERT FIRST ITEM; RANDOMIZE]**, or not? How about **[NEXT ITEM]**? **[IF NECESSARY:** Would Barack Obama’s policies help **[ITEM]**, or not?**]**

a Middle class people

. Wealthy people

c. Poor people

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

1 Yes, would help

2 No, would not

3 Depends/Both/Neither **(VOL.)**

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**RANDOMIZE ORDER OF Q.64 AND Q.65  
ASK ALL:**

Q.65 (Next,) Thinking about what Mitt Romney might do for some groups if he were elected president, do you think his policies would help **[INSERT FIRST ITEM; RANDOMIZE ITEMS IN SAME ORDER AS Q.64]**, or not? How about **[NEXT ITEM]**? **[IF NECESSARY:** Would Mitt Romney’s policies help **[ITEM]**, or not?**]**

a Middle class people

b. Wealthy people

c. Poor people

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

1 Yes, would help

2 No, would not

3 Depends/Both/Neither **(VOL.)**

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REG=1):**

Q.66 Thinking about a few specific foreign policy issues… do you think **[RANDOMIZE ORDER OF CANDIDATES:** Mitt Romney or Barack Obama **BUT KEEP IN SAME ORDER FOR ALL THREE ITEMS]** would do the better job dealing with the issue of **[INSERT FIRST ITEM; RANDOMIZE]**? And who would do the better job dealing with **[INSERT NEXT ITEM]**? **[IF RESPONDENT MENTIONS ANYONE OTHER THAN ROMNEY OR OBAMA PROBE ONCE:** “If you had to choose between **(READ IN SAME ORDER:** Romney or Obama**)]**?

a. Iran’s nuclear program

b. Political instability in Middle Eastern countries such as Egypt and Libya

c. China’s trade policies

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

1 Mitt Romney

2 Barack Obama

3 Neither **(VOL.)**

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REG=1):**

Q.67 Now I’m going to read a fewstatements that have been made about **[RANDOMIZE:** Barack Obama or Mitt Romney**]**. Please tell me if you agree or disagree with each. (The first one is…) **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]. [REPEAT AS NECESSARY:** Do you agree or disagree that **(ITEM)].**

a. It’s hard to know what Romney really stands for

b. Romney is promising more than he can deliver

c. Obama doesn’t know how to turn the economy around

d. Obama thinks government is the solution to every problem

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

1 Agree

2 Disagree

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REG=1):**And one last question about the candidates…

**RANDOMIZE ORDER OF Q.68 AND Q.69  
ASK CERTAIN OBAMA VOTERS AND SWING VOTERS ((Q.5=2,3,8,9) OR (Q.5=1 AND**

**Q.8=1)):**

Q.68 Which better describes your concerns about Mitt Romney? Is it more that you **[RANDOMIZE]** or more that you **[RANDOMIZE]**?

1 Don’t trust him personally

2 Disagree with him on issues

3 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Neither

4 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Both equally

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don’t know

**RANDOMIZE ORDER OF Q.68 AND Q.69  
ASK CERTAIN ROMNEY VOTERS AND SWING VOTERS ((Q.5=1,3,8,9) OR (Q.5=2 AND Q.7 =1)):**

Q.69 Which better describes your concerns about Barack Obama? Is it more that you **[RANDOMIZE]** or more that you **[RANDOMIZE]**?

1 Don’t trust him personally

2 Disagree with him on issues

3 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Neither

4 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Both equally

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don’t know

**ASK ALL:**

Now, just a few questions for statistical purposes only.

SEX **[ENTER RESPONDENT'S SEX:]**

1 Male

2 Female

**ASK ALL:**

AGE What is your age?

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ years

97 97 or older

99 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

EDUC What is the highest level of school you have completed or the highest degree you have received? **[DO NOT READ] [INTERVIEWER NOTE:** Enter code 3-HS grad if R completed training that did NOT count toward a degree**]**

1 Less than high school (Grades 1-8 or no formal schooling)

2 High school incomplete (Grades 9-11 or Grade 12 with NO diploma)

3 High school graduate (Grade 12 with diploma or GED certificate)

4 Some college, no degree (includes community college)

5 Two year associate degree from a college or university

6 Four year college or university degree/Bachelor’s degree (e.g., BS, BA, AB)

7 Some postgraduate or professional schooling, no postgraduate degree

8 Postgraduate or professional degree, including master’s, doctorate, medical or law degree (e.g., MA, MS, PhD, MD, JD)

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**[MAKE FULL NOTE AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEWERS:** Enter code 3-HS graduate” if R completed vocational, business, technical, or training courses after high school that did NOT count toward an associate degree from a college, community college or university (e.g., training for a certificate or an apprenticeship)**]**

**ASK ALL:**

HISP Are you of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican or Cuban?

1 Yes

2 No

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

RACE Which of the following describes your race? You can select as many as apply. White, Black or African American, Asian or Asian American or some other race. **[RECORD UP TO FOUR IN ORDER MENTIONED BUT DO NOT PROBE FOR ADDITIONAL]** **[IF R VOLS MIXED BIRACIAL, PROBE ONCE:** What race or races is that?**]**

1 White (e.g., Caucasian, European, Irish, Italian, Arab, Middle Eastern)

2 Black or African-American (e.g., Negro, Kenyan, Nigerian, Haitian)

3 Asian or Asian-American (e.g., Asian Indian, Chinese, Filipino, Vietnamese or other Asian origin groups)

4 Some other race **(SPECIFY\_\_\_\_ IF NEEDED:** What race or races is that?**)**

5 Native American/American Indian/Alaska Native **(VOL.)**

6 Pacific Islander/Native Hawaiian **(VOL.)**

7 Hispanic/Latino **(VOL.)** (e.g., Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban)

8 Don't know **(VOL.)**

9 Refused (e.g., non-race answers like American, Human, purple) **(VOL.)**

**ASK IF HISPANIC (HISP=1 OR RACE=7):**

BIRTH\_HISP Were you born in the United States, on the island of Puerto Rico, or in another country?

1 U.S.

2 Puerto Rico

3 Another country

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

RELIG What is your present religion, if any? Are you Protestant, Roman Catholic, Mormon, Orthodox such as Greek or Russian Orthodox, Jewish, Muslim, Buddhist, Hindu, atheist, agnostic, something else, or nothing in particular?

**[INTERVIEWER: IF R VOLUNTEERS “nothing in particular, none, no religion, etc.” BEFORE REACHING END OF LIST, PROMPT WITH: And would you say that’s atheist, agnostic, or just nothing in particular?]**

1. Protestant (Baptist, Methodist, Non-denominational, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Pentecostal, Episcopalian, Reformed, Church of Christ, Jehovah’s Witness, etc.)

2 Roman Catholic (Catholic)

3 Mormon (Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints/LDS)

4 Orthodox (Greek, Russian, or some other orthodox church)

5 Jewish (Judaism)

6 Muslim (Islam)

7 Buddhist

8 Hindu

9 Atheist (do not believe in God)

10 Agnostic (not sure if there is a God)

11 Something else **(SPECIFY:\_\_\_\_\_\_)**

12 Nothing in particular

13 Christian **(VOL.)**

14 Unitarian (Universalist) **(VOL.)**

99 Don't Know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK IF SOMETHING ELSE OR DK/REF (RELIG=11,99):**

CHR Do you think of yourself as a Christian or not? **[IF R NAMED A NON-CHRISTIAN RELIGION IN PREVIOUS QUESTION (e.g. Native American, Wiccan, Pagan, etc.), DO NOT READ (ENTER "NO" CODE 2)]**

1 Yes

2 No

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK IF CHRISTIAN (RELIG=1-4,13 OR CHR=1):**

BORN Would you describe yourself as a "born again" or evangelical Christian, or not?

1 Yes, would

2 No, would not

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

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

1 More than once a week

2 Once a week

3 Once or twice a month

4 A few times a year

5 Seldom

6 Never

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

INCOME Last year, that is in 2011, what was your total family income from all sources, before taxes? Just stop me when I get to the right category. **[READ]**

1 Less than $10,000

2 10 to under $20,000

3 20 to under $30,000

4 30 to under $40,000

5 40 to under $50,000

6 50 to under $75,000

7 75 to under $100,000

8 100 to under $150,000 [OR]

9 $150,000 or more

10 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don't know/Refused

**ASK ALL:**

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

1 Republican

2 Democrat

3 Independent

4 No preference **(VOL.)**

5 Other party **(VOL.)**

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK IF INDEP/NO PREF/OTHER/DK/REF (PARTY=3,4,5,9):**

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

1 Republican

2 Democrat

9 Other/Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

IDEO In general, would you describe your political views as... **[READ]**

1 Very conservative

2 Conservative

3 Moderate

4 Liberal [OR]

5 Very liberal

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don't know/Refused

**ASK ALL:**

TEAPARTY2 From what you know, do you agree or disagree with the Tea Party movement, or don’t you have an opinion either way?

1 Agree

2 Disagree

3 No opinion either way

8 Haven’t heard of **(VOL.)**

9 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?

1 Voted

2 Did not vote (includes too young to vote)

8 Don't remember if voted **(VOL.)**

9 Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK IF YES (PVOTE08A=1):**

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

1 Obama

2 McCain

3 Other candidate

4 Don’t remember which candidate **(VOL.)**

9 Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REG=1):**

**[IF RESPONDENT HAS ALREADY VOTED (PLANTO1=3), CODE AS “10”]**

SCALE10 I'd like you to rate your chance of voting in November on a scale of 10 to 1. If TEN represents a person who definitely will vote and ONE represents a person who definitely will NOT vote, where on this scale of 10 to 1 would you place yourself?

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Rating

11 Don't know

**ASK ALL:**

HH1 How many people, including yourself, live in your household?

**INTERVIEWER NOTE: HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS INCLUDE PEOPLE WHO THINK OF THIS HOUSEHOLD AS THEIR PRIMARY PLACE OF RESIDENCE, INCLUDING THOSE WHO ARE TEMPORARILY AWAY ON BUSINESS, VACATION, IN A HOSPITAL, OR AWAY AT SCHOOL**. **THIS INCLUDES INFANTS, CHILDREN AND ADULTS.**

\_\_\_\_\_\_ Enter number 1-7

8 8 or more

9 Don’t know/Refused

**ASK IF MORE THAN ONE PERSON IN HH (HH1>1):**

HH3 How many, including yourself, are adults, age 18 and older?

\_\_\_\_\_\_ Enter number 1-7

8 8 or more

9 Don’t know/Refused

**ASK ALL LANDLINE SAMPLE:**

L1. Now thinking about your telephone use… Do you have a working cell phone?

1 Yes, have cell phone

2 No, do not

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK IF NO CELL PHONE AND MULTI-PERSON HOUSEHOLD (L1=2,9 AND HH1>1):**

L1a. Does anyone in your household have a working cell phone?

1 Yes, someone in household has cell phone

2 No

1. Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL CELL PHONE SAMPLE:**

C1. Now thinking about your telephone use… Is there at least one telephone INSIDE your home that is currently working and is not a cell phone?

1 Yes home telephone

2 No, home telephone

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK IF DUAL AND SINGLE-PERSON HOUSEHOLD ((L1=1 OR C1=1) AND HH1=1):**

LC2. Of all the telephone calls that you receive, do you get **[READ AND RANDOMIZE OPTIONS 1 AND 3—KEEP 2 ALWAYS IN THE MIDDLE]**?

1 All or almost all calls on a cell phone

2 Some on a cell phone and some on a regular home phone

3 All or almost all calls on a regular home phone

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don’t know/Refused

**ASK IF DUAL AND MULTI-PERSON HOUSEHOLD ((L1=1 OR L1a=1 OR C1=1) AND HH1>1):**

LC3. Now thinking about all the people in your household, including yourself, of all the telephone calls that your household receives, are **[READ AND RANDOMIZE OPTIONS 1 AND 3—KEEP 2 ALWAYS IN THE MIDDLE]**?

1 All or almost all calls on a cell phone

2 Some on a cell phone and some on a regular home phone

3 All or almost all calls on a regular home phone

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don’t know/Refused

**ASK ALL:**

ZIPCODE What is your zipcode?

\_\_\_\_\_ Enter Zipcode

9 Don’t know/Refused

**END OF INTERVIEW**

**ASK CELL PHONE SAMPLE:**

MONEY2 That’s the end of the interview. If you would like to be reimbursed for your cell phone minutes, we can send you $5. I will need your full name and a mailing address where we can send you the money? **[INTERVIEWER NOTE:** If R does not want to give full name, explain we only need it so we can send the $5 to them personally.**]**

1 **[ENTER FULL NAME] – INTERVIEWER: PLEASE VERIFY SPELLING**

2 **[ENTER MAILING ADDRESS]**

3 **[City]**

4 **[State]**

5 **CONFIRM ZIP from above**

9 **(VOL.)** Respondent does not want the money

**ASK ALL:**

Thank you very much for your time. This survey is being conducted by the Pew Research Center for the People and the Press, which will be issuing a report on the results of this survey on their website, peoplepress *dot* ORG, in the coming weeks.

**THANK YOU** again for your help! Have a nice day/evening.

I HEREBY ATTEST THAT THIS IS A TRUE AND HONEST INTERVIEW.

INTERVIEWER GENDER:

ISEX

1 Male

2 Female

INTERVIEWER RACE:

IHISP1 Are you, yourself, of Hispanic origin or descent, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or some other Spanish background?

1 Yes

2 No

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

IRACE1 Which of the following describes your race? You can select as many as apply.

**[READ LIST. RECORD UP TO FOUR RESPONSES IN ORDER MENTIONED]**

1 White

2 Black or African-American

3 Asian or Asian-American

4 Or some other race

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don't know/Refused

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