President Obama's Citizenship

Question	Percent Correct	Percent Incorrect	Percent Don't Know	Number of Response Options	Explicit Don't Know Option	Presented as a Matter of Opinion	N
Do you think Barack Obama was born in the United States, or do you think he was born in another country?	60.73%	24.90%	14.37%	3	Not Clear *	Y	960
On another subject, where was Barack Obama born, as far as you know?	70.38%	13.44%	16.16%	OE	N	Y	1,001
According to the Constitution, American Presidents must be "natural born citizens." Some people say Barack Obama was NOT born in the United States, but was born in another country. Do YOU think Barack Obama was born in the United States, or do you think he was born in another country?	51.35%	23.95%	24.70%	3	Not Clear*	Y	1,591
Do you think Barack Obama was definitely born in the United States, probably born in the United States, probably born in another country, or definitely born in another country?**	73.78%	23.84%	2.38%	4	N	Y	1,468

^{*} The documentation accompanying these questions does not make it clear as to whether "don't know" was available as a stated option either within the question or within the survey.

President Obama's Religion

Question	Percent Correct	Percent Incorrect	Percent Don't Know	Number of Response Options	Explicit Don't Know Option	Presented as a Matter of Opinion	N
19. Do you personally believe that	44.71%	30.44%	24.85%	2	N	Y	1,002
Barack Obama is a Muslim or a							
Christian?							
Q.58 Now, thinking about Barak	34.00%	21.00%	43.00%	9	Not Clear*	N	
Obama's religious beliefsDo you							
happen to know what Barack							
Obama's religion is? Is he Christian,							
Jewish, Muslim, Buddhist, Hindu,							
athiest, agnostic, or something else?							

^{*}Not clear from the documentation, though I would lean towards no.

^{**}Definitely Born in US =48.30, Probably Born in US=25.48, Probably Born somewhere else=14.51, definitely born somewhere else=9.33

Health Care Reform

QuestionPercent CorrectPercent IncorrectPercent Don't Know OptionsExplicit Don't Know OptionPresented as a Matter of OpinionAs far as you know, has the independent Congressional Budget Office which analyzes the cost of legislation said the health reform legislation currently being discussed in Congress will (increase) the federal budget deficit over the next ten years, or is it not expected to have much impact on the deficit? (ROTATE OPTIONS IN PARENTHESES)47.52%39.49%13.00%2NY	N 1,208
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reform bill, would most people who	
currently get health insurance	
coverage through their employers	
keep their existing health insurance	
arrangements or would most people have to change their existing health	
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From what you know of that (Health 12.23% 89.89% 0.87% 3 N Y	1,030
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think the federal budget deficit will	
go up, go down, or stay the same if it	
becomes law?	·

Iraq and Saddam

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Question	Percent Correct	Percent Incorrect	Percent Don't Know	Number of Response Options	Explicit Don't Know Option	Presented as a Matter of Opinion	N			
Do you think Saddam Hussein's regime in Iraq was DIRECTLY involved in planning, financing, or carrying out the terrorist attacks of September 11th, 2001, or not?	53.53%	37.26%	9.39%	2	N*	Y	1,001			
To the best of your knowledge, has the U.S. found chemical or biological weapons hidden by Saddam Hussein's regime since the Iraq war began in 2003, or not?	71.76%	19.48%	8.89%	2	N*	Y	1,001			
Which ONE of the following countries did most of the 9/11 hijackers come from?	49.35%	38.46%	12.19%	4	N*	N	1,001			
Based on what you have learned, please tell me whether you believe each of the following is true or is not true. Iraq had weapons of mass destruction.	37.35%	53.31%	9.34%	2	N	Y	1,025			
Based on what you have learned, please tell me whether you believe each of the following is true or is not true. Iraq was connected to the September eleventh terrorist attacks.	49.42%	39.30%	11.28%	2	N	Y	1,025			
As far as you know, does IRAQ now have Nuclear Weapons, or not?	26.58%	38.29%	35.13%	2	N	Y	1,204			
As far as you know, does IRAQ now have Chemical or biological weapons, or not?	9.63%	62.54%	27.82%	2	N	Y	1,204			
Please try to answer my next questions about Iraq to the best of your knowledge. But if you're not sure of an answer - that's okay - just tell me and I'll go to the next question. Do you think Iraq and Al Queda - Osama bin Laden's organization - are allied and working together to plan new acts of terrorism, or not?	18.44%	63.87%	17.69%	3	Y	Y	1,204			
As far as you know, how many of the September 11th terrorist hijackers were Iraqi citizens	17.00%	50.00%	33.00%	5	Y	Y	1,204			
Do you think Saddam Hussein [suh- DAHM WHO-sane] was personally involved in the September 11th terrorist attacks, or not?	54.89%	40.33%	4.78%	2	N	Y	1,005			
Do you think Saddam Hussein did – or did not – have long-established ties to Osama bin Laden's [Oh-SOM-	31.01%	63.37%	5.62%	2	N	Y	1,005			

ah Bin LAH-den] terrorist							
organization known as al Qaeda [al							
KAY-da]?							
Do you think Saddam Hussein [suh-	43.66%	50.68%	5.46%	2	N	Y	1,000
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involved in the September 11th							
terrorist attacks, or not?							

^{*}I code these questions as a no, but, respondents were presented with a knowledge battery just prior to this set of questions in which the surveyors encourage DK responses, but then they say "On a different subject", before proceeding to these questions.

Global Warming

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Question	Percent Correct	Percent Incorrect	Percent Don't Know	Number of Response Options	Explicit Don't Know Option	Presented as a Matter of Opinion	N		
Do you think most scientists agree with one another about whether or not global warming is happening, or do you think there is a lot of disagreement among scientists on this issue?	35.00%	64.00%	1.00%*	2	N	Y	1,002		
Do you think most scientists agree with one another about whether or not global warming is happening, or do you think there is a lot of disagreement among scientists on this issue?	40.00%	56.00%	3.00%*	2	N	Y	1,002		
Now, thinking specifically about the issue of global warming Do you think most climate scientists agree that the earth has been warming in recent years, OR do you think there is a lot of disagreement among climate scientists about whether the earth has been warming?	52.00%	39.00%	9.00%	2	N	Y	1,002		
Do you think most climate scientists agree that human activities, such as burning coal and oil, are a major cause of global warming, OR do you think there is a lot of disagreement among climate scientists about whether human activities are a major cause?	47.00%	42.00%	12.00%	2	N	Y	1,002		
Do you think most scientists agree with one another about the causes of global warming, or is there a lot of disagreement among scientists about that?	39.00%	57.00%	4.00%*	2	N	Y	1,000		
Do you think most scientists agree with one another about the causes of global warming, or is there a lot of disagreement among scientists about that?	33.00%	63.00%	5.00%*	2	N	Y	500		
Do you think most scientists agree with one another about how much	33.00%	62.00%	5.00%*	2	N	Y	500		

of a threat global warming poses, or is there a lot of disagreement among scientists about that?							
Do you think most scientists agree with one another about whether or not global warming is happening, or do you think there is a lot of disagreement among scientists on this issue?	36.00%	62.00%	2.00%*	2	N	Y	1,003

^{*}I think that these very low figures for the "Don't Know" category are due to two factors: one, the lack of an explicit "don't know" option; and two, the fact that these questions were buried deep in a survey about the environment and the issue of global warming, leading to a desirability bias among respondents not to appear ignorant on the subject.