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FINAL TOPLINE
July 21-August 5, 2010
N=3,003**

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- approve</u>	<u>(VOL.) DK/Ref</u>
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	47	41	12
Jun 16-20, 2010	48	43	9
May 6-9, 2010	47	42	11
Apr 21-26, 2010	47	42	11
Apr 8-11, 2010	48	43	9
Mar 10-14, 2010	46	43	12
Feb 3-9, 2010	49	39	12
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 ALL:

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

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

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=2431]:

		<u>Quite A lot</u>	<u>(VOL.) Some</u>	<u>Only a Little</u>	<u>(VOL.) None/DK/Ref</u>
2010	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	44	5	44	7
2006	November, 2006	61	5	28	6
	Late October, 2006	54	6	35	5
	Early October, 2006	51	4	40	5
	September, 2006	45	4	48	3
2002	Early November, 2002	52	6	35	7
	Early October, 2002	45	6	45	4
	Early September, 2002	36	5	54	5
1998	Late October, 1998	49	11	35	5
	Early October, 1998	42	8	43	7
1994	November, 1994	56	7	32	5
	Late October, 1994	45	7	45	3
	Early October, 1994	44	2	50	4
1990	Gallup: October, 1990 ¹	43	7	46	4
	Gallup: October, 1982	29	22	37	12

¹ Gallup trends based on general public.

THOUGHT CONTINUED...

		Quite <u>A lot</u>	(VOL.) <u>Some</u>	Only a <u>Little</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
1978	<i>Gallup: October, 1978</i>	23	22	39	17
	<i>Gallup: September, 1978</i>	21	18	44	18

ASK ALL:

Q.2 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.2=3,9):

Q.2a As of TODAY, do you LEAN more to the **[READ IN SAME ORDER AS Q.2; IF NECESSARY: "for U.S. Congress in your district"]**?

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=2431]:

	Rep/ <u>Lean Rep</u>	Dem/ <u>Lean Dem</u>	(VOL.) <u>Other/ Undecided</u>
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	44	45	11
Jun 16-20, 2010	45	45	10
Mar 11-21, 2010	44	44	12
Feb 3-9, 2010	42	45	13
Jan 6-10, 2010	44	46	10
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	42	47	11
Aug 20-27, 2009	44	45	10
2008 Election			
June, 2008	37	52	11
2006 Election			
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
2004 Election			
June, 2004	41	48	11
2002 Election			
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
2000 Election			
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
1998 Election			
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

Q.2/Q.2a CONTINUED...

	Rep/ <u>Lean Rep</u>	Dem/ <u>Lean Dem</u>	(VOL.) Other/ <u>Undecided</u>
January, 1998	41	51	8
August, 1997	45	48	7
1996 Election			
November, 1996 ²	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
1994 Election			
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:

PLANTO1 Thinking ahead to November, do you yourself plan to vote in the Congressional election this November, or not?³

ASK IF YES (PLANTO1=1):

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

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=2431]:

	Yes, plan to vote	Absolutely certain	Fairly certain	Not certain	No, don't plan to	(VOL.) DK/Ref
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	91	70	17	3	7	2
Jun 16-20, 2010	90	69	19	2	8	2
Mar 11-21, 2010	91	69	20	2	6	3
2008 Election						
Mid-October, 2008 ⁴	97	92	5	*	2	1
Early October, 2008	97	92	4	1	2	1
Late September, 2008	97	91	6	*	2	1
Mid-September, 2008	97	90	6	1	2	1
August, 2008	97	--	--	--	2	1
July, 2008	97	--	--	--	2	1
June, 2008	95	85	8	2	2	3
2006 Election						
November, 2006	90	--	--	--	8	2
Late October, 2006	94	--	--	--	3	3
Early October, 2006	93	75	17	1	4	3
Early September, 2006	92	--	--	--	5	3

2 November 1996 trends based on likely voters.

3 Question began with "Thinking ahead to November," on June 16-20, 2010 and March 11-21, 2010 surveys. Surveys prior to March, 2010 did not ask specifically about voting in the "Congressional election."

4 In Mid-October 2008 and from Mid-October 2004 to November 2006 and in Early November 2002, the "Yes, Plan to vote" category also includes people who volunteered that they already voted. In November 2006, Early November 2002, Early November, 2000, Late October 1998, November 1996 and November 1994 the question was worded: "Do you yourself plan to vote in the election this Tuesday, or not?"

PLANTO1/PLANTO2 CONTINUED. . .

	Yes, plan to vote	Absolutely certain	Fairly certain	Not certain	No, don't plan to	(VOL.) DK/Ref
2004 Election						
November, 2004	97	--	--	--	2	1
Mid-October, 2004	98	--	--	--	1	1
Early October, 2004	98	91	6	1	1	1
September, 2004	98	91	6	1	1	1
August, 2004	98	89	8	1	2	*
June, 2004	96	85	10	1	2	2
2002 Election						
Early November, 2002	90	--	--	--	8	2
Early October, 2002	95	--	--	--	3	2
2000 Election						
Early November, 2000	96	--	--	--	3	1
Late October, 2000	97	--	--	--	2	1
Mid-October, 2000	96	--	--	--	2	2
Early October, 2000	97	87	9	1	2	1
September, 2000	95	84	10	1	3	2
June, 2000	95	84	10	1	2	3
1998 Election						
Late October, 1998	91	--	--	--	6	3
Early October, 1998	92	--	--	--	4	4
Early September, 1998	95	--	--	--	2	3
Late August, 1998	93	75	17	1	3	4
June, 1998	95	74	19	2	3	2
1996 Election						
November, 1996	96	--	--	--	2	2
October, 1996	98	87	10	1	1	1
Late September, 1996	98	89	8	1	1	1
Early September, 1996	96	83	11	2	2	2
July, 1996	95	82	12	1	3	2
June, 1996	96	84	11	1	2	2
1994 Election						
November, 1994	93	--	--	--	5	2
October, 1994	95	--	--	--	3	2
1992 Election						
October, 1992	98	91	6	1	1	1
September, 1992	98	85	11	2	1	1
August, 1992	97	89	8	*	1	2
June, 1992	97	88	8	1	1	2
1988 Election						
Gallup: November, 1988	97	87	9	1	2	1
October, 1988	98	--	--	--	1	1

NO QUESTIONS 3-6

Q.7 What will make the biggest difference in how you vote for Congress in your district – national issues, local or state issues, the candidate's political party, or the candidate's character and experience? **[IF MORE THAN ONE, PROBE WITH: Well, which is most important?]**

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=2431]:

	National issues	Local/State issues	Political party	Character/ Experience	(VOL.) Other	(VOL.) None	(VOL.) DK/ Ref.
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	36	29	5	22	3	1	4
Jun 16-20, 2010	38	28	5	21	3	1	3
Feb 3-9, 2010	31	27	5	30	2	*	5
2006 Election							
November, 2006	34	29	6	22	3	1	5
September, 2006	29	33	5	27	1	2	3

Q.7 CONTINUED...

	National <u>issues</u>	Local/State <u>issues</u>	Political <u>party</u>	Character/ <u>Experience</u>	(VOL.) <u>Other</u>	(VOL.) <u>None</u>	(VOL.) DK/ Ref.
June, 2006	30	26	6	33	2	*	3
2002 Election							
Early November, 2002	23	38	7	26	2	*	4
Early October, 2002	28	35	5	25	2	1	4
June, 2002	26	30	5	33	2	1	3
2000 Election							
Early October, 2000	21	42	9	21	1	1	5
July, 2000	18	40	6	32	1	1	2
1998 Election							
Late October, 1998	20	39	5	27	3	2	4
Early October, 1998	23	36	7	28	1	*	5
Early September, 1998	22	34	5	33	2	*	4
Early August, 1998	20	38	5	31	2	*	4
June, 1998	22	37	4	32	1	1	3
March, 1998	18	37	6	35	1	1	2
1996 Election							
November, 1996	23	38	6	25	2	*	6
October, 1996	19	45	7	26	1	1	1
Late September, 1996	25	38	6	24	2	*	5
Early September, 1996	18	42	6	30	1	*	3
1994 Election							
November, 1994	22	38	5	30	1	*	4
Late October, 1994	22	38	3	29	3	1	4
Early October, 1994	22	27	5	39	2	1	4
1986 Election							
CBS/NYT: 10/24-28, 1986	22	25	6	40	1	1	5
CBS/NYT: 9/28-10/1, 1986	20	23	9	41	3	*	4

ASK ALL:

- Q.8 As you think about the elections for Congress this November, how important are each of the following issues to you. Is the issue of **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]** very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important? How about **[NEXT ITEM]**? **[IF NECESSARY: As you think about the elections for Congress this November, is the issue of [ITEM] very, somewhat, not too, or not at all important to you?] [INTERVIEWER: PLEASE RE-READ RESPONSE OPTIONS AS NECESSARY TO REMIND RESPONDENTS OF OPTIONS]**

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=2431]:

	<u>Very Important</u>	<u>Somewhat Important</u>	<u>Not too Important</u>	<u>Not at all Important</u>	<u>Don't Know/ Refused</u>
ASK ALL:					
a. The economy					
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	90	9	1	*	*
Mid-October, 2008	91	7	2	*	*
August, 2008	87	12	1	*	*
Late May, 2008	88	9	1	1	1
October, 2007	79	18	1	1	1
June, 2007	74	22	2	1	1
Mid-October, 2004	78	18	3	1	*
August, 2004	76	22	1	1	*

ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=1207]:

b.F1 Gay marriage					
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	29	20	16	32	2
Mid-October, 2008	28	21	21	27	3
August, 2008	28	20	18	32	2
Late May, 2008	28	21	19	29	3
October, 2007	22	21	21	32	4

Q.8 CONTINUED...

	<u>Very Important</u>	<u>Somewhat Important</u>	<u>Not too Important</u>	<u>Not at all Important</u>	<u>Don't Know/ Refused</u>
Mid-October, 2004	32	22	19	24	3
August, 2004	34	19	15	30	2

ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=1224:]

b.F2	Same sex marriage					
	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	32	20	17	30	2

b.F1/b.F2**BASED ON ALL REGISTERED VOTERS:**

Gay marriage/ Same sex marriage					
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	31	20	17	31	2

ASK ALL:

C.	Abortion					
	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	43	24	13	17	3
	Mid-October, 2008	41	29	16	12	2
	August, 2008	39	26	17	15	3
	Late May, 2008	40	27	15	15	3
	October, 2007	39	26	17	13	5
	June, 2007	40	30	13	14	3
	Mid-October, 2004	47	27	12	11	3
	August, 2004	45	25	13	14	3

ASK ALL:

d.	The environment					
	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	57	33	7	3	1
	Mid-October, 2008	57	31	8	3	1
	August, 2008	59	31	6	3	1
	Late May, 2008	62	27	8	3	*
	October, 2007	58	31	8	2	1
	June, 2007	55	36	6	3	*
	Mid-October, 2004	53	37	7	2	1
	August, 2004	55	35	7	3	*

ASK ALL:

e.	Immigration					
	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	58	29	8	4	1
	Mid-October, 2008	49	32	13	5	1
	August, 2008	52	33	10	4	1
	Late May, 2008	54	32	9	3	2
	October, 2007	56	31	7	4	2
	June, 2007	54	34	7	3	2

ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=1207]:

f.F1	Afghanistan					
	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	59	28	6	4	3

ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=1207]:

g.F1	Jobs					
	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	88	9	1	1	*
	Mid-October, 2008	80	15	2	2	1
	Late May, 2008	78	17	3	1	1
	October, 2007	71	23	3	2	1
	Mid-October, 2004	76	19	4	1	*

Q.8 CONTINUED...

		<u>Very Important</u>	<u>Somewhat Important</u>	<u>Not too Important</u>	<u>Not at all Important</u>	<u>Don't Know/ Refused</u>
ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=1207]:						
h.F1	Energy					
	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	62	30	5	2	1
	Mid-October, 2008	78	18	3	1	*
	August, 2008	77	19	2	1	1
	Late May, 2008	77	20	2	*	1
	October, 2007	65	28	3	2	2
	June, 2007	61	32	4	2	1
	Mid-October, 2004	54	37	6	2	1
	August, 2004	53	40	6	*	1
ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=1207]:						
i.F1	The banking and financial system					
	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	65	27	4	2	1
ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=1224]:						
j.F2	Terrorism					
	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	71	18	6	3	1
	Mid-October, 2008	69	20	7	3	1
	August, 2008	72	20	5	2	1
	Late May, 2008	68	23	6	2	1
	October, 2007	69	22	5	3	1
	June, 2007	69	24	4	2	1
	Mid-October, 2004	77	17	3	2	1
	August, 2004	75	19	3	2	1
ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=1224]:						
k.F2	Health care					
	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	78	17	3	1	*
	Mid-October, 2008	77	19	2	1	1
	August, 2008	73	21	5	1	*
	Late May, 2008	78	17	3	2	*
	October, 2007	76	18	4	1	1
	June, 2007	71	23	4	2	*
	Mid-October, 2004	73	22	4	1	*
	August, 2004	72	21	5	2	*
ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=1224]:						
l.F2	Taxes					
	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	68	24	6	2	1
	Mid-October, 2008	71	24	3	1	1
	Late May, 2008	68	24	5	2	1
	October, 2007	63	28	6	1	2
	June, 2007	62	29	7	2	*
	Mid-October, 2004	59	31	7	2	1
ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=1224]:						
m.F2	The federal budget deficit					
	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	69	22	5	2	2
	Late May, 2008	69	21	4	3	3
	October, 2007	61	28	8	1	2
	Mid-October, 2004	57	32	7	3	1
	August, 2004	55	35	7	3	*

ASK ALL:

Q.9 How much, if anything, have you heard or read about the Tea Party movement that has been involved in campaigns and protests in the U.S. over the past year? Have you heard ... **[READ]**

Jul 21-Aug 5		Jun 16-20	May 20-23	Mar 11-21
<u>2010</u>		<u>2010</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2010</u> ⁵
36	A lot	30	38	26
43	A little	43	38	42
20	Nothing at all	26	24	30
1	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	1	1	1

ASK IF HEARD A LOT OR A LITTLE (Q.9=1,2):

Q.10 From what you know, do you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree with the Tea Party movement, or don't you have an opinion either way?

BASED ON TOTAL:

Jul 21-Aug 5		Jun 16-20	May 20-23	Mar 11-21
<u>2010</u>		<u>2010</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2010</u>
8	Strongly agree	9	10	9
14	Agree	15	15	15
9	Disagree	10	8	7
9	Strongly disagree	8	10	7
37	No opinion either way	30	31	29
1	Refused (VOL.)	*	1	1
21	<i>Not heard of Tea Party/DK</i>	27	25	31

ASK "INFLUENCE" FOLLOW-UP AS INDICATED IN Q.14 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING EACH SUBSTANTIVE RESPONSE IN Q.11-Q.13**RANDOMIZE Q.11-Q.13, MAINTAINING Q.12A-E AS A BLOCK****ASK ALL:**

Q.11 What should be the priority for dealing with ILLEGAL immigration in the U.S.? **[RANDOMIZE; (one) better border security and stronger enforcement of our immigration laws; OR (two) creating a way for illegal immigrants already here to become citizens if they meet certain requirements]** OR should BOTH be given equal priority?

Jul 21-Aug 5	
<u>2010</u>	
33	Better border security and stronger enforcement of our immigration laws
22	Creating a way for illegal immigrants already here to become citizens if they meet certain requirements
42	Should BOTH be given equal priority
1	None of these (VOL. DO NOT READ)
3	Don't know/Refused (VOL. DO NOT READ)

⁵ In March 11-21, 2010, question was worded: "the Tea Party protests that have taken place in the U.S. over the past year?"

RANDOMIZE Q.11-Q.13, MAINTAINING Q.12A-E AS A BLOCK

ASK ALL:

Q.12 Now, I'd like to get your views on some issues. All in all, do you strongly favor, favor, oppose, or strongly oppose **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]**? Do you strongly favor, favor, oppose, or strongly oppose **[INSERT NEXT ITEM]**?

	-----FAVOR-----			-----OPPOSE-----			(VOL.) DK/Ref
	Total	Strongly Favor	Favor	Total	Strongly Oppose	Oppose	
a. The death penalty for persons convicted of murder							
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	62	30	32	30	10	20	8
August, 2007	62	29	33	32	11	21	6
Early January, 2007	64	30	34	29	11	18	7
March, 2006	65	27	38	27	8	19	8
July, 2005	68	32	36	24	8	16	8
Mid-July, 2003	64	28	36	30	10	20	6
March, 2002	67	33	34	26	9	17	7
March, 2001	66	30	36	27	10	17	7
September, 1999	74	41	33	22	7	15	4
June, 1996	78	43	35	18	7	11	4
b. Allowing gays and lesbians to marry legally							
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	41	17	24	48	24	24	10
Aug 11-17, 2009	39	14	25	53	31	22	8
Mid-April, 2009	35	14	21	54	31	23	11
August, 2008	39	13	26	52	30	22	9
June, 2008 ⁶	40	15	25	52	31	21	8
Late May, 2008	38	15	23	49	29	20	13
November, 2007	36	12	24	54	29	25	10
August, 2007	36	13	23	55	31	24	9
Early January, 2007	37	13	24	55	33	22	8
Early November, 2006 (RVs)	30	10	20	57	31	26	13
July, 2006	35	12	23	56	31	25	9
June, 2006	33	13	20	55	32	23	12
March, 2006	39	10	29	51	28	23	10
July, 2005	36	13	23	53	31	22	11
December, 2004	32	14	18	61	38	23	7
August, 2004	29	8	21	60	35	25	11
July, 2004	32	10	22	56	33	23	12
Mid-March, 2004	32	10	22	59	35	24	9
Early February, 2004	30	9	21	63	42	21	7
November, 2003	30	10	20	62	41	21	8
October, 2003	30	9	21	58	33	25	12
Mid-July, 2003	38	10	28	53	30	23	9
March, 2001	35	8	27	57	34	23	8
June, 1996	27	6	21	65	41	24	8
c. Providing more generous government assistance to the poor							
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	63	26	37	31	10	21	6
July, 2005	69	29	40	25	6	19	6
December, 2003	71	30	41	24	6	18	5
March, 2002	68	24	44	27	5	22	5
March, 2001	73	28	45	23	6	17	4

6 In May and June 2008, November 2007, June and July 2006, mid-March through August 2004, and October 2003, the question was not part of a list of items. In May and June 2008 the question asked about "allowing gay and lesbian couples to marry legally."

Q.12 CONTINUED...

	-----FAVOR-----			-----OPPOSE-----			(VOL.) DK/Ref
	Total	Strongly Favor	Favor	Total	Strongly Oppose	Oppose	
d. Tougher laws and regulations to protect the environment							
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	81	38	43	14	6	9	5
e. Allowing gays and lesbians to serve openly in the military							
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	60	21	39	30	13	17	10
Feb 3-9, 2010 ⁷	61	18	43	27	10	17	12
Mar 9-12, 2009	59	19	40	32	13	19	9
March, 2006	60	20	40	32	13	19	8
July, 2005	58	15	43	32	15	17	10
July, 1994	52	16	36	45	26	19	3

RANDOMIZE Q.11-Q.13, MAINTAINING Q.12A-E AS A BLOCK**ASK ALL:**Q.13 Do you think abortion should be **[READ]****(PLEASE READ CATEGORIES IN REVERSE ORDER FOR HALF THE SAMPLE)**

	Legal in all cases	Legal in most cases	Illegal in most cases	Illegal in all cases	[VOL. DO NOT READ] DK/Ref	NET Legal in all/most	NET Illegal in all/most
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	17	33	27	17	7	50	44
August 11-27, 2009	16	31	27	17	8	47	45
April, 2009	18	28	28	16	10	46	44
Late October, 2008	18	35	24	16	7	53	40
Mid-October, 2008	19	38	22	14	7	57	36
August, 2008	17	37	26	15	5	54	41
June, 2008	19	38	24	13	6	57	37
November, 2007	18	33	29	15	5	51	44
October, 2007	21	32	24	15	8	53	39
August, 2007	17	35	26	17	5	52	43
February, 2006 <i>AP/Ipsos-Poll</i>	19	32	27	16	6	51	43
December 2005 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	17	40	27	13	3	57	40
April 2005 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	20	36	27	14	3	56	41
December 2004 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	21	34	25	17	3	55	42
May 2004 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	23	31	23	20	2	54	43
January 2003 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	23	34	25	17	2	57	42
August 2001 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	22	27	28	20	3	49	48
June 2001 <i>ABC/BeliefNet</i>	22	31	23	20	4	53	43
January 2001 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	21	38	25	14	1	59	39
September 2000 (RVs) <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	20	35	25	16	3	55	41
July 2000 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	20	33	26	17	4	53	43
September 1999 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	20	37	26	15	2	57	41
March 1999 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	21	34	27	15	3	55	42
July 1998 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	19	35	29	13	4	54	42
August 1996 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	22	34	27	14	3	56	41
June 1996 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	24	34	25	14	2	58	39
October 1995 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	26	35	25	12	3	61	37
September 1995 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	24	36	25	11	4	60	36
July 1995 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	27	32	26	14	1	59	40

ASK ALL:

Q.14 Which one of the following has had the biggest influence on your thinking on this issue... **[READ AND RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS WITH OPTION 6 ALWAYS LAST BUT KEEP THE SAME ORDER OF RESPONSE CATEGORIES FOR ALL ITEMS] [IF R SAYS ALL OR MORE THAN ONE, PROBE WITH: Which has had the biggest influence?]**

	Religious <u>beliefs</u>	<u>Education</u>	Personal <u>experience</u>	Friend/ family <u>views</u>	<u>Media</u>	Some- thing <u>Else</u>	<u>DK/Ref</u>	<i>No opinion on issue</i> (N)
ASK ALL IMMEDIATELY AFTER Q.11 IF Q.11<9:								
a. Dealing with illegal immigration in the U.S								
BASED ON TOTAL:								
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	7	20	26	6	20	16	2	3 (3003)
<i>What should be the priority...</i>								
Border security	5	18	29	5	20	19	3	-- (1008)
Path to citizenship	8	23	27	9	18	11	3	-- (628)
Both	8	20	25	6	23	16	2	-- (1258)

ASK FORM 1 IMMEDIATELY**AFTER Q.12a IF Q.12a<9:**

b. The death penalty for
persons convicted of murder

BASED ON TOTAL FORM 1:

Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	17	20	14	7	13	18	2	9 (1491)
Favor	13	22	17	8	16	23	2	-- (922)
Oppose	32	23	11	5	12	14	2	-- (429)
March, 2001	21	13	12	5	24	16	2	7 (2041)

ASK FORM 2 IMMEDIATELY**AFTER Q.12b IF Q.12b<9:**

c. Allowing gays and
lesbians to marry legally

BASED ON TOTAL FORM 2:

Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	31	12	15	9	6	14	3	11 (1512)
Favor	5	19	29	18	8	21	2	-- (596)
Oppose	60	9	7	3	6	11	4	-- (758)
March, 2001	38	12	11	7	8	14	1	8 (2041)

ASK FORM 2 IMMEDIATELY**AFTER Q.12c IF Q.12c<9:**

d. Providing more generous
gov't assistance to the poor

BASED ON TOTAL FORM 2:

Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	9	18	33	8	13	10	3	6 (1512)
Favor	12	18	33	9	14	11	3	-- (893)
Oppose	4	23	37	7	14	11	3	-- (516)
March, 2001	12	16	27	7	18	13	2	4 (2041)

Q.14 CONTINUED...

	Religious <u>beliefs</u>	<u>Education</u>	Personal <u>experience</u>	Friend/ family <u>views</u>	<u>Media</u>	Some- thing <u>Else</u>	<u>DK/Ref</u>	<i>No opinion on the issue</i> <u>(N)</u>
ASK ALL IMMEDIATELY AFTER								
Q.12d IF Q.12d<9:								
BASED ON TOTAL:								
e. Tougher laws and regulations to protect the environment								
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	6	28	18	6	24	11	2	5 (3003)
Favor	6	30	18	6	27	11	2	-- (2381)
Oppose	9	26	21	5	20	14	3	-- (461)
TREND FOR COMPARISON:								
Stricter environmental laws and regulations cost too many jobs and hurt the economy, OR Stricter environmental laws and regulations are worth the cost Jul, 2006 ⁸	7	23	20	6	22	10	1	12 (2041)
ASK FORM 1 IMMEDIATELY								
AFTER Q.13 IF Q.13<9:								
BASED ON TOTAL FORM 1:								
f. Abortion								
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	24	21	16	6	6	16	3	8 (1491)
Legal in most cases/ all cases	9	29	22	8	6	22	3	-- (729)
Illegal in most cases/ all cases	45	16	12	6	6	12	2	-- (646)
Aug, 2009	29	19	13	6	4	18	1	10 (2010)

⁸ In July 2006, respondents who said neither or both statements come closest to their view were not asked: "Which of the following had the greatest influence...". These respondents are included with "No opinion on the issue".

ASK ALL:

Q.15 Which of these statements comes closer to your own views — even if neither is exactly right-[**INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE ITEMS BUT NOT STATEMENTS WITHIN**]?

a.	The growing number of newcomers from other countries threatens traditional <u>American customs and values</u>	The growing number of newcomers from other countries strengthens <u>American society</u>	(VOL.) Neither/ Both equally/ <u>DK/Ref</u>
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	38	49	13
Jun 16-20, 2010	44	44	12
November, 2007	50	40	10
March, 2006	48	45	7
December, 2004	40	50	10
b.	Immigrants today strengthen our country because of their <u>hard work and talents</u>	Immigrants today are a burden on our country because they take our jobs, <u>housing and health care</u>	(VOL.) Neither/ Both equally/ <u>DK/Ref</u>
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	42	45	13
Jun 16-20, 2010	39	50	11
Oct 28-Nov 30, 2009	46	40	14
September, 2006	41	41	18
March, 2006	41	52	7
December, 2005	45	44	11
December, 2004	45	44	11
June, 2003	46	44	10
September, 2000	50	38	12
August, 1999	46	44	10
October, 1997	41	48	11
June, 1997	41	48	11
April, 1997	38	52	10
June, 1996	37	54	9
July, 1994	31	63	6

NO QUESTIONS 16-19

ASK ALL:

Q.20 In your opinion, should churches and other houses of worship [**RANDOMIZE: keep out of political matters; express their views on day-to-day social and political questions**] – or should they [**INSERT OTHER OPTION**]?

Jul 21-Aug 5 <u>2010</u>		<u>Aug 2008</u>	<u>Jul 2006</u>	<u>Jul 2005</u>	<u>Aug 2004</u>	<u>Mid-Jul 2003</u>	<u>Mar 2001</u>	<u>Sep 2000⁹</u>	<u>Jun 1996</u>	— Gallup — <u>Feb-68</u>	<u>Mar-57</u>
52	Should keep out	52	46	44	44	44	43	45	43	53	44
43	Should express views	45	51	51	51	52	51	51	54	40	48
5	DK/Ref (VOL.)	3	3	5	5	4	6	4	3	7	8

⁹ September 2000 results are based on registered voters. In 2000 and earlier, the question did not include “and other houses of worship.”

ASK ALL:

Q.21 During political elections, should churches and other houses of worship come out in favor of one candidate over another, or shouldn't they do this?

Jul 21-					
Aug 5		Aug	Aug	Aug	Mar
<u>2010</u>		<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2002</u>
24	Should come out in favor of candidates	29	28	25	22
70	Should not come out in favor of candidates	66	63	65	70
6	Don't know/refused (VOL.)	5	9	10	8

ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=1491]:

Q.22F1 Do you think there has been too much, too little or the right amount of expressions of religious faith and prayer by political leaders?

Jul 21-								Early
Aug 5		Aug	Aug	Jul	Aug	Mid-Jul	Mar	Oct
<u>2010</u>		<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u> ¹⁰	<u>2001</u> ¹¹
29	Too much	29	27	26	27	21	16	12
37	Too little	36	38	39	31	41	24	22
24	Right amount	28	26	27	32	29	53	60
10	Don't Know/Refused (VOL.)	7	9	8	10	9	7	6

ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=1512]:

Q.23F2 Do you think Barack Obama mentions his religious faith and prayer too much, too little, or about the right amount?

-----George W. Bush-----								
Jul 21-						Mid-		
Aug 5		July	Jul	Aug	Jul			
<u>2010</u>		<u>2006</u> ¹²	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>			
10	Too much	24	28	24	14			
19	Too little	14	10	11	11			
53	Right amount	52	52	53	62			
17	Don't Know/Refused (VOL.)	10	10	12	13			

ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=1491]:

Q.24F1 How much do you think Barack Obama relies on his own religious beliefs in making policy decisions – a great deal, a fair amount, or not very much?

George W. Bush		
Jul 21-		
Aug 5	Aug	Mid-Jul
<u>2010</u>	<u>2004</u> ¹³	<u>2003</u>
14	A great deal	26
27	A fair amount	20
43	Not very much	38
16	Don't Know/Refused (VOL.)	28
		31
		8
		9

¹⁰ In March 2002 the question was worded, "Since September 11th, has there been too much, too little or the right amount of expressions of religious faith and prayer by political leaders?"

¹¹ In Early October 2001 the question was part of a series and began, "As I read from a list, tell me if you think there has been too much, too little or the right amount of what I mention."

¹² In July 2006 and before the question asked about George W. Bush.

¹³ In August 2004 and before the question asked about George W. Bush.

ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=1491]:

Q.25F1 Do you think he relies on his religious beliefs too MUCH, too LITTLE or about the right amount when making policy decisions?

George W. Bush

Jul 21-

Aug 5

2010

11 Too much
21 Too little
48 Right amount
20 Don't Know/Refused **(VOL.)**

Aug
2004¹⁴

Mid-Jul
2003

15 10
21 21
53 58
11 11

ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=1491]:

Q.26F1 At the present time, do you think religion as a whole is increasing its influence on American life or losing its influence?

	<u>Increasing Influence</u>	<u>Losing Influence</u>	<u>Same (VOL.)</u>	<u>No Opinion</u>
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	23	67	3	7
July, 2006	34	59	2	5
Mid-July, 2003	30	56	5	9
March, 2002	37	52	3	8
December, 2001 (Gallup)	71	24	2	3
Mid-November, 2001	78	12	3	7
March, 2001	37	55	4	4
March, 2000 (Gallup)	37	58	0	5
June, 1998 (Gallup)	37	56	4	3
March, 1994 (Gallup)	27	69	2	2
March, 1988 (Gallup)	36	49	6	9
June, 1984 (Gallup)	42	39	14	6
December, 1978 (Gallup)	37	48	10	5
December, 1974 (Gallup)	31	56	8	5
April, 1968 (Gallup)	19	67	8	7
February, 1965 (Gallup)	33	45	13	8
February, 1962 (Gallup)	45	32	17	7
March, 1957 (Gallup)	69	14	10	6

¹⁴

In August 2004 and before the question asked about George W. Bush. In July 2003 the question read: "In making policy decisions, do you think he relies on his religious beliefs too much, too little or about the right amount?"

IF GAVE RESPONSE IN Q.26F1 (Q.26F1=1,2,3), ASK:

Q.28F1 All in all, do you think this is a good thing or a bad thing?

BASED ON TOTAL FORM 1 [N=1491]:

Jul 21-Aug 5 2010		Jul 2006	Mar 2002
23	Increasing influence	34	37
13	Good thing	21	3
7	Bad thing	11	4
2	Both/Neither/Depends (VOL.)	1	1
1	Don't know/Refused	1	1
67	Losing influence	59	52
10	Good thing	6	5
53	Bad thing	50	44
2	Both/Neither/Depends (VOL.)	2	2
2	Don't know/Refused	1	1
3	Same (VOL.)	2	3
7	No opinion	5	8

ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=1512]:

Q.27F2 At the present time, do you think religion as a whole is increasing its influence on government leaders and institutions such as the President, Congress, and the Supreme Court, or losing its influence?

	Increasing Influence	Losing Influence	Same (VOL.)	No Opinion
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	23	62	4	10
Jul 6-19, 2006	42	45	6	7

IF GAVE RESPONSE IN Q.27F2 (Q.27F2=1,2,3), ASK:

Q.28F2 All in all, do you think this is a good thing or a bad thing?

BASED ON TOTAL FORM 2 [N=1512]:

Jul 21-Aug 5 2010		Jul 2006
23	Increasing influence	42
9	Good thing	15
13	Bad thing	24
2	Both/Neither/Depends (VOL.)	2
1	Don't know/Refused	1
62	Losing influence	45
15	Good thing	8
42	Bad thing	36
4	Both/Neither/Depends (VOL.)	*
2	Don't know/Refused	1
4	Same (VOL.)	6
10	No opinion	7

ASK ALL:

Q.29 How do you feel about this statement: It's important to me that members of Congress have strong religious beliefs. Do you completely agree, mostly agree, mostly DISagree, or completely DISagree with it?

Jul 21-

Aug 5

2010

21	Completely Agree
40	Mostly Agree
21	Mostly Disagree
13	Completely Disagree
5	Don't know/refused (VOL.)

TREND FOR COMPARISON:

How do you feel about this statement: It's important to me that a president have strong religious beliefs. Do you completely agree, mostly agree, mostly DISagree, or completely DISagree with it?

	Aug <u>2008</u>	August <u>2007</u>	August <u>2004</u>	Sept <u>2000 (RVs)</u>
Completely Agree	32	30	29	35
Mostly Agree	40	39	41	35
Mostly Disagree	14	16	15	17
Completely Disagree	11	11	11	10
Don't know/refused (VOL.)	3	4	4	3

ASK ALL:

Q.30 Do you feel that **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]** is generally friendly toward religion, neutral toward religion, or unfriendly toward religion?

	<u>Friendly</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Unfriendly</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
a. The Democratic Party				
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	26	41	19	14
August 20-27, 2009	29	39	22	11
August, 2008	38	37	15	10
August, 2007	30	37	15	18
July, 2006	26	42	20	12
July, 2005	29	38	20	13
August, 2004	40	34	13	13
Mid-July, 2003	42	36	12	10

	<u>Friendly</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Unfriendly</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
b. The Republican Party				
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	43	28	14	15
August 20-27, 2009	48	29	12	12
August, 2008	52	29	9	10
August, 2007	50	23	9	18
July, 2006	47	28	13	12
July, 2005	55	23	9	13
August, 2004	52	24	10	14
Mid-July, 2003	52	27	10	11

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?]

ASK IF SOMETHING ELSE, NOTHING IN PARTICULAR OR DK/REF (RELIG=11, 12, 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)

42	Protestant (Baptist, Methodist, Non-denominational, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Pentecostal, Episcopalian, Reformed, Church of Christ, Jehovah's Witness, etc.)
23	Roman Catholic (Catholic)
2	Mormon (Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints/LDS)
1	Orthodox (Greek, Russian, or some other orthodox church)
2	Jewish (Judaism)
1	Muslim (Islam)
1	Buddhist
*	Hindu
2	Atheist (do not believe in God)
3	Agnostic (not sure if there is a God)
1	Something else (SPECIFY)
12	Nothing in particular
9	Christian (VOL.)
*	Unitarian (Universalist) (VOL.)
2	Don't Know/Refused (VOL.)

ASK IF CHRISTIAN (RELIG=1-4, 13 OR ((RELIG=11 OR RELIG=99) AND CHR=1)):

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

BASED ON TOTAL

35	Yes, would
39	No, would not
4	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
*	Undesignated
78%	Christian

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?

	<u>More than once a week</u>	<u>Once a week</u>	<u>Once or twice a month</u>	<u>A few times a year</u>	<u>Seldom</u>	<u>Never</u>	(VOL.) DK/Ref
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	14	25	14	20	15	11	2
August, 2009	14	23	16	18	16	11	1
August, 2008	13	26	16	19	15	10	1
Aug, 2007	14	26	16	18	16	9	1
July, 2006	15	25	15	18	14	12	1
July, 2005	14	27	14	19	14	11	1
Aug, 2004	13	25	15	20	15	11	1
July, 2003	16	27	15	18	14	10	*
March, 2003	15	24	15	21	15	9	1
March, 2002	15	25	17	18	15	9	1
Mid-Nov, 2001	16	26	14	17	16	10	1
March, 2001	17	26	17	17	15	7	1
Sept, 2000 (RVs)	17	28	16	17	13	8	1
June, 1997	12	26	17	20	15	10	*
June, 1996	14	25	17	21	13	9	1

NO QUESTIONS 31-39

ASK ALL:

Q.40 How important is religion in your life – very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important?

Jul 21-Aug 5 <u>2010</u>		August <u>2009</u>	August <u>2008</u>	August <u>2007</u>
58	Very important	57	58	61
24	Somewhat important	25	27	24
9	Not too important	8	7	8
8	Not at all important	8	7	6
1	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	1	1	1

ASK ALL:

Q.41 How much, if anything, have you heard about [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]? Have you heard [READ]?

a. The conservative Christian movement sometimes known as the religious right

Jul 21-Aug 5 <u>2010</u>	
25	A lot
33	A little [OR]
41	Nothing at all
1	Don't know/Refused [VOL. DO NOT READ]

b. The liberal or progressive religious movement sometimes known as the religious left

Jul 21-Aug 5 <u>2010</u>	
10	A lot
30	A little [OR]
59	Nothing at all
1	Don't know/Refused [VOL. DO NOT READ]

ASK IF Q.41a<3 OR Q41.b<3

Q.42 In general, do you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree with [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE IN SAME ORDER AS Q.41] or don't you have an opinion either way?

ASK IF Q.41a<3:

a. The conservative Christian movement

BASED ON TOTAL:

4	Strongly agree
9	Agree
9	Disagree
7	Strongly disagree
27	No opinion either way
1	DK/Refused (VOL.)

42 Not heard of conservative Christian movement/DK

Q.42 CONTINUED...

ASK IF Q.41b<3:

- b. The liberal or progressive religious movement

BASED ON TOTAL:

- 1 Strongly agree
4 Agree
6 Disagree
5 Strongly disagree
25 No opinion either way
1 Refused (**VOL.**)

59 Not heard of liberal or progressive religious movement/DK

ASK IF ATTEND AT LEAST ONCE OR TWICE A MONTH (ATTEND<4):

- Q.43 Does the clergy at your place of worship ever speak out [**INSERT FIRST ITEM; READ AND RANDOMIZE**]? And do they ever speak out [**INSERT NEXT ITEM**]?

BASED ON THOSE WHO ATTEND SERVICES AT LEAST ONCE OR TWICE A MONTH [N=1663]

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>DK</u>
a. On the issue of abortion			
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	59	39	1
July, 2006	59	39	2
November, 2005	52	45	3
October, 2003	63	35	2
June, 1996	60	39	1
b. On the wars in Iraq or Afghanistan			
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	51	49	1

TREND FOR COMPARISON

<i>On the issue of the situation in Iraq</i>			
July, 2006	53	46	1
November, 2005	50	47	3
October, 2003	53	45	2
March, 2003 ¹⁵	57	41	2
c. About immigration			
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	24	75	1

TREND FOR COMPARISON

<i>Laws regarding immigration</i>			
July, 2006	21	77	2
d. About hunger and poverty			
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	88	11	1
July, 2006	92	8	*
June, 1996	87	12	1
e. About the environment			
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	47	52	1
July, 2006	48	50	2

¹⁵ In March 2003 the question was not asked as part of a list and was worded: "Has the clergy at your place of worship spoken recently about the issue of war with Iraq, or not?"

Q.43 CONTINUED...

BASED ON THOSE WHO ATTEND SERVICES AT LEAST ONCE OR TWICE A MONTH [N=1663]

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>DK</u>
f. About laws regarding homosexuality			
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	44	55	1

TREND FOR COMPARISON

<i>Laws regarding homosexuals</i>			
July, 2006	52	47	1
October, 2003	41	57	2
June, 1996	36	62	2
g. On the issue of the death penalty			
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	24	75	2
July, 2006	31	67	2
November, 2005	27	69	4
October, 2003	28	69	3
June, 1996	27	70	3
h. About candidates and elections			
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	24	74	1
October, 2003	26	72	2
June, 1996	21	77	2

NO QUESTIONS 44A OR 44B

RANDOMIZE Q.44c/Q.44e IN SAME ORDER AS Q.43

ASK IF Q.43c=1 AND ALWAYS BEFORE Q.44f

Q.44c Now just in your own words, when your clergy has spoken about the issue of immigration, what kinds of things have they said? **[OPEN-END; RECORD VERBATIM RESPONSE; PROBE ONCE IF RESPONDENT ANSWERS DON'T KNOW.]**

BASED ON THOSE WHO ATTEND SERVICES AT LEAST ONCE OR TWICE A MONTH AND WHOSE CLERGY SPEAKS OUT ON IMMIGRATION [N=363]

Jul 21-Aug 5,
2010

49	Favor immigration (NET)
24	Be tolerant towards diversity/welcome strangers/we are all God's children/created equally/love thy neighbor
12	Favor immigration (General)
8	Help the needy
7	Help immigrants assimilate and/or become legal
23	Oppose immigration (NET)
7	Advocate for strict enforcement of laws including border security
7	Oppose immigration (General)
7	Immigrants take American jobs and government assistance
3	People should follow the law of the land
3	Neutral position
12	Other
21	Nothing/Don't know/Refused

NO QUESTION 44D

RANDOMIZE Q.44c/Q.44e IN SAME ORDER AS Q.43

ASK IF Q.43e=1 AND ALWAYS BEFORE Q.44f

Q.44e Now just in your own words, when your clergy has spoken about the environment, what kinds of things have they said [OPEN-END; RECORD VERBATIM RESPONSE; PROBE ONCE IF RESPONDENT ANSWERS DON'T KNOW.]?

BASED ON THOSE WHO ATTEND SERVICES AT LEAST ONCE OR TWICE A MONTH AND WHOSE CLERGY SPEAKS OUT ON ENVIRONMENT [N=768]

Jul 21-Aug 5,

2010

29	Protect/take care of/clean up the environment (General)
20	Environmental damage (NET)
13	Warnings about damage to the environment (Misc.)
6	Oil leak in the Gulf of Mexico
2	Warnings about global warming
11	Conservation (NET)
4	Encourage recycling
3	Promote conservation (energy, H ₂ O, food, etc.)
3	Go green message
2	Take action to protect the environment
6	Take care of God's creation/honor nature
4	Practice stewardship of the Earth
3	Need to preserve environment for future generations/our children
1	The end is coming
16	Other
20	Nothing/Don't know/Refused

ASK IF Q.43f=1 AND ALWAYS AFTER Q.44c/Q44e.

Q.44f When your clergy has spoken about homosexuality, do they say it is something that should be ACCEPTED, something that should be DISCOURAGED, or don't they take a position on the issue?

BASED ON THOSE WHO ATTEND SERVICES AT LEAST ONCE OR TWICE A MONTH AND WHOSE CLERGY SPEAKS OUT ABOUT LAWS REGARDING HOMOSEXUALITY [N=701]

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8	Accepted
72	Discouraged
15	No position
3	Other / Multiple positions [VOL. DO NOT READ]
2	Don't know/Refused [VOL. DO NOT READ]

Oct

2003¹⁶

4
82
11
2
1

¹⁶

For October 2003 this item is based on those who attend services at least once or twice a month and whose clergy speaks out on "laws regarding homosexuals."

And on another topic,

ASK ALL:

Q.45 Which comes closest to your view? **[READ IN ORDER]**

[Holy book: If Christian or no religion (RELIG =1-4, 9, 10, 12, 13 OR CHR=1) insert "the Bible"; If Jewish (RELIG =5), insert "the Torah"; If Muslim (RELIG=6), insert, "the Koran"; If other non-Christian affiliations (RELIG=7,8,14 OR (RELIG=11 AND CHR=2,9)), insert "the Holy Scripture"; IF DK/REF IN RELIGION (RELIG=99) AND CHR=2,9, insert "the Bible"]

ASK IF BELIEVE HOLY BOOK IS WORD OF GOD (Q.45=1):

Q.46 And would you say that **[READ IN ORDER]**?

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68	[Holy book] is the word of God	69
34	[Holy book] is to be taken literally, word for word [OR]	34
33	Not everything in [Holy book] should be taken literally, word for word/Other/DK	35
23	[Holy book] is a book written by men and is not the word of God	23
9	Other/Don't know (VOL.)	8

ASK IF ATTEND AT LEAST ONCE OR TWICE A MONTH (ATTEND<4):

Q.47 Thinking about the church or house of worship where you attend religious services most often, about how many of its members are immigrants born outside the U.S.? Would you say nearly all, many, just some or very few?

BASED ON THOSE WHO ATTEND SERVICES AT LEAST ONCE OR TWICE A MONTH [N=1663]

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4	Nearly all
9	Many
23	Just some
55	Very few
9	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

NO QUESTIONS 48-57

ASK ALL:

Q.58 Now, thinking about Barack Obama's religious beliefs... Do you happen to know what Barack Obama's religion is? Is he Christian, Jewish, Muslim, Buddhist, Hindu, atheist, agnostic, or something else?

[INTERVIEWERS: IF R SAYS "MULTIPLE FAITHS/ALL OF THE ABOVE," RECORD AS "8-SOMETHING ELSE" AND RECORD VERBATIM RESPONSE]

Jul 21-Aug 5 <u>2010</u>		(RVs)				
		March <u>2009</u> ¹⁷	Mid-Oct <u>2008</u>	Mid-Sept <u>2008</u>	June <u>2008</u>	March <u>2008</u>
34	Christian (include volunteers of: Protestant, Church of Christ, Trinity Church, Baptist, Methodists, etc.)	48	51	48	57	47
*	Jewish	0	*	1	1	*
18	Muslim (include Islam/Islamic)	11	12	12	12	12
1	Buddhist	*	*	*	*	*
*	Hindu	*	0	*	*	*
*	Atheist	*	*	*	*	*
*	Agnostic	*	*	*	*	*
2	Something else	*	1	4	2	1
43	Don't know	34	32	33	25	36
2	Refused (VOL.)	6	3	2	3	3

¹⁷ In August 2009 and before, respondents who answered Don't Know were asked: "Is this because you've heard different things about his religion, or because you just don't know enough about him?"

ASK IF SAYS OBAMA IS MUSLIM (Q.58=3) [N=558]:

Q.58a And how did you learn about Barack Obama's religion? **[OPEN END; CODE UP TO THREE RESPONSES]**

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2010

60 Media (NET)
 36 Media or news (non-specific)
 16 Television
 6 Newspapers
 3 Magazines
 1 Radio
 1 Book (non-specific)
 1 Obama's book(s)
 11 Obama's behaviors or his own words
 7 Things heard or read (non-specific)
 7 Internet
 6 Things heard or read during presidential campaign
 4 Views of family or friends
 4 Obama's ancestry – family background, name, appearance
 1 My own opinion
 1 Obama's policies towards Muslim countries or religion in the U.S.

 7 Other
 2 Don't know/Refused/Undesignated

ASK ALL:

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

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

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

				(VOL.)	(VOL.)	(VOL.)	Lean	Lean
	Republican	Democrat	Independent	No preference	Other party	DK/Ref	Rep	Dem
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	26	33	34	4	*	3	14	14
Jun 16-20, 2010	27	34	34	3	1	2	15	15
Apr 21-26, 2010	26	33	36	3	1	3	16	13
Apr 8-11, 2010	23	32	38	5	*	2	17	13
Apr 1-5, 2010	24	29	40	3	1	3	17	15
Mar 18-21, 2010	24	30	40	2	1	3	17	13
Mar 11-21, 2010	28	34	32	3	*	3	13	12
Mar 10-14, 2010	22	33	37	6	*	3	14	13
Feb 3-9, 2010	26	31	37	3	*	3	14	17
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
Yearly Totals								
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

PARTY/PARTYLN CONTINUED...

				(VOL.)	(VOL.)	(VOL.)	Lean	Lean
	<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>	No <u>preference</u>	Other <u>party</u>	<u>DK/Ref</u>	<u>Rep</u>	<u>Dem</u>
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	--	--	--	--	--