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Demographic	If the election were held today, who would you vote for?					Do you think you will definitely vote for your choice for president or do you think you might change your mind before election day?		
	McCain	Obama	Barr	Nader	Not sure	Definitely vote	Might change mind	Don't know
Ohio likely voters	48%	42%	1%	4%	5%	81%	19%	0%
Age 18-29	38	50	0	7	5	85	15	0
Age 30-45	51	37	2	4	5	76	24	0
Age 46-64	51	42	0	3	3	80	20	0
Age 65 and over	47	43	0	3	6	87	12	1
Race African-American	0	98	0	1	0	96	4	0
Race white	55	34	1	5	6	78	22	0
Sex male	54	35	1	6	3	81	18	0
Sex female	43	48	1	2	6	80	20	0
Education less than high school	12	82	0	1	2	87	13	0
Education high school graduate	47	36	1	7	9	76	23	1
Education some college	40	49	0	6	4	81	19	0
Education college graduate	58	38	1	1	2	83	17	0
Income less than $20,000	34	52	0	11	3	75	25	0
Income $20,000-$39,999	51	41	1	3	3	80	20	0
Income $40,000- $59,999	41	53	0	2	3	83	17	0
Income $60,000 and over	56	35	1	3	3	80	20	0
Party Democrat	12	81	0	4	4	85	15	0
Party Independent	33	38	0	10	19	60	38	2
Party Republican	85	8	1	2	3	81	19	0
Region Northeast Ohio	40	49	0	5	6	82	18	0
Region Northwest Ohio	55	34	0	2	8	82	18	0
Region Central Ohio	55	32	2	7	4	73	26	1
Region Southeast Ohio	50	46	0	1	3	86	14	0
Region Southwest Ohio	53	41	1	3	2	81	19	0

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Demographic	Do you think John McCain or Barack Obama would use good judgment in a crisis?					Do you think John McCain or Barack Obama is personally likable?				
	McCain	Obama	Both equal	Neither	Don't know	McCain	Obama	Both equal	Neither	Don't know
Ohio likely voters	52%	37%	7%	2%	2%	28%	53%	16%	2%	1%
Age 18-29	36	44	17	0	3	20	62	12	6	0
Age 30-45	58	34	5	2	1	27	55	16	1	1
Age 46-64	54	35	7	2	2	29	51	17	2	1
Age 65 and over	51	37	3	5	4	34	44	18	2	4
Race African-American	6	83	9	0	1	0	94	6	0	0
Race white	58	30	7	2	2	32	47	17	2	1
Sex male	58	34	4	2	1	33	49	14	4	1
Sex female	47	39	10	2	3	24	57	17	1	1
Education less than high school	13	58	21	6	1	9	84	5	1	1
Education high school graduate	56	30	8	3	3	31	50	16	1	1
Education some college	44	47	3	2	4	25	58	10	5	2
Education college graduate	58	32	8	1	0	29	49	21	1	0
Income less than $20,000	36	53	4	0	6	29	56	13	0	1
Income $20,000-$39,999	56	37	2	2	2	31	50	12	6	0
Income $40,000-$59,999	43	46	8	2	1	22	59	15	2	2
Income $60,000 and over	59	31	8	2	0	29	52	18	1	0
Party Democrat	20	68	6	3	2	6	79	12	3	1
Party Independent	40	29	20	7	4	25	56	14	4	1
Party Republican	84	10	4	0	2	50	30	19	1	0
Region Northeast Ohio	42	43	10	3	2	24	59	15	1	1
Region Northwest Ohio	65	27	4	1	3	26	42	28	1	2
Region Central Ohio	62	27	6	3	3	32	44	22	2	1
Region Southeast Ohio	57	35	5	2	1	36	51	14	0	0
Region Southwest Ohio	54	38	5	2	2	31	55	9	5	1

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Demographic	Do you think John McCain or Barack Obama is **qualified to be president?**					Do you think John McCain or Barack Obama **has a clear plan for solving the country's problems?**				
	McCain	Obama	Both equal	Neither	Don't know	McCain	Obama	Both equal	Neither	Don't know
Ohio likely voters	50%	32%	12%	5%	1%	39%	36%	3%	18%	3%
Age 18-29	32	45	16	7	0	29	43	12	11	5
Age 30-45	58	27	10	4	1	46	36	2	15	2
Age 46-64	51	30	13	5	1	39	36	2	23	1
Age 65 and over	48	33	9	7	4	38	32	2	23	5
Race African-American	3	88	8	1	0	2	81	10	6	2
Race white	56	24	13	6	2	44	30	3	20	3
Sex male	56	26	11	7	1	44	31	2	22	1
Sex female	44	37	12	4	2	35	41	5	15	4
Education less than high school	15	73	0	11	1	12	56	21	9	2
Education high school graduate	51	26	16	5	2	40	33	4	17	5
Education some college	43	38	9	8	2	31	44	3	19	4
Education college graduate	57	29	11	3	1	47	32	2	19	0
Income less than $20,000	41	43	12	1	3	37	50	1	10	1
Income $20,000-$39,999	45	31	10	14	1	37	37	2	22	2
Income $40,000-$59,999	45	40	10	4	1	32	45	1	15	7
Income $60,000 and over	58	26	13	3	0	44	33	3	20	0
Party Democrat	15	65	11	7	2	10	69	4	14	3
Party Independent	40	12	32	11	5	26	16	11	45	2
Party Republican	85	6	7	2	0	69	10	2	18	0
Region Northeast Ohio	42	37	14	4	3	33	40	5	17	4
Region Northwest Ohio	61	25	9	4	1	49	27	3	16	4
Region Central Ohio	56	25	12	6	1	45	29	3	22	1
Region Southeast Ohio	55	35	3	5	2	35	36	1	26	2
Region Southwest Ohio	51	31	10	7	0	41	39	2	16	1

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Demographic	Do you think John McCain or Barack Obama **best understands the problems facing Ohio?**					Do you think John McCain or Barack Obama **has higher personal and ethical standards?**				
	McCain	Obama	Both equal	Neither	Don't know	McCain	Obama	Both equal	Neither	Don't know
Ohio likely voters	39%	46%	3%	9%	4%	45%	37%	11%	4%	4%
Age 18-29	26	65	1	7	1	33	49	11	2	5
Age 30-45	44	40	4	7	5	46	35	13	4	2
Age 46-64	39	44	2	12	3	48	33	12	3	3
Age 65 and over	40	41	5	11	4	46	35	10	3	6
Race African-American	4	94	1	1	0	0	90	9	1	0
Race white	43	39	3	11	4	51	29	12	4	4
Sex male	45	38	2	12	3	52	30	13	3	3
Sex female	34	52	4	7	4	39	42	11	4	4
Education less than high school	13	80	0	5	1	13	80	5	1	1
Education high school graduate	42	42	4	9	2	47	33	12	3	5
Education some college	31	53	1	9	6	42	46	5	3	3
Education college graduate	43	40	3	10	3	48	29	16	4	2
Income less than $20,000	23	65	4	1	7	39	48	7	3	3
Income $20,000-$39,999	39	43	0	13	5	45	41	8	3	3
Income $40,000- $59,999	32	54	4	9	1	37	48	7	1	6
Income $60,000 and over	46	41	4	8	1	50	28	16	4	2
Party Democrat	9	80	2	7	2	14	71	8	4	3
Party Independent	20	44	2	25	9	37	25	25	8	4
Party Republican	68	15	4	9	4	75	8	13	2	2
Region Northeast Ohio	33	53	2	9	3	39	44	9	3	5
Region Northwest Ohio	43	31	6	12	9	54	32	12	1	1
Region Central Ohio	49	38	1	9	3	48	26	21	4	1
Region Southeast Ohio	52	40	2	6	1	42	39	9	9	2
Region Southwest Ohio	36	47	4	10	2	49	33	10	4	4

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Demographic	Do you think the fact that Barack Obama is African-American will help him with voters, hurt him, or won't make a difference?				Do you think the fact that John McCain is 72 years old helps him with voters, hurts him, or won't make a difference?			
	Help him with voters	Hurt him with voters	Won't make a difference	Don't know	Help him with voters	Hurt him with voters	Won't make a difference	Don't know
Ohio likely voters	17%	23%	57%	3%	4%	44%	51%	1%
Age 18-29	25	25	45	5	7	49	44	0
Age 30-45	13	26	60	1	3	46	50	2
Age 46-64	19	20	58	3	4	45	50	1
Age 65 and over	15	23	57	5	4	34	60	2
Race African-American	22	31	47	1	2	51	47	0
Race white	17	21	58	4	4	43	51	1
Sex male	17	21	59	3	4	43	52	2
Sex female	17	24	55	4	4	45	50	1
Education less than high school	28	40	28	4	5	22	73	0
Education high school graduate	16	19	60	6	5	41	53	1
Education some college	19	16	64	1	4	46	49	2
Education college graduate	16	29	53	3	3	46	50	1
Income less than $20,000	17	21	61	1	9	37	49	5
Income $20,000-$39,999	25	19	55	2	5	42	52	0
Income $40,000- $59,999	12	22	62	3	4	44	52	0
Income $60,000 and over	17	25	55	3	2	50	48	1
Party Democrat	16	33	49	3	3	51	44	1
Party Independent	17	19	50	14	8	41	45	6
Party Republican	18	15	66	2	4	39	57	0
Region Northeast Ohio	16	23	56	5	2	47	50	1
Region Northwest Ohio	18	19	60	3	5	36	55	5
Region Central Ohio	13	19	66	2	5	43	52	0
Region Southeast Ohio	9	34	56	1	1	37	62	0
Region Southwest Ohio	23	22	52	2	7	45	47	0

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| Demographic | Regardless of who you support, which candidate do you think would **do the best job of dealing with the nation's energy problems?** | | | | | All things considered, would you say you are **better off now than you were four years ago, worse off, or about the same?** | | | |
	McCain	Obama	Other candidate	Neither	Don't know	Better off	Worse off	About the same	Don't know
Ohio likely voters	44%	44%	0%	5%	7%	19%	47%	34%	0%
Age 18-29	25	57	0	6	12	31	40	29	0
Age 30-45	53	37	0	3	7	23	42	35	0
Age 46-64	45	45	0	6	4	16	54	30	0
Age 65 and over	45	41	1	4	10	8	48	43	1
Race African-American	7	91	0	0	2	6	70	23	0
Race white	49	38	0	5	8	20	43	36	0
Sex male	49	40	1	6	5	22	42	36	0
Sex female	40	48	0	3	9	17	51	32	0
Education less than high school	18	81	0	0	1	4	85	11	0
Education high school graduate	46	41	1	3	10	16	50	33	1
Education some college	34	51	0	5	10	18	48	34	0
Education college graduate	52	38	0	5	4	24	39	36	0
Income less than $20,000	24	59	0	0	17	12	56	31	1
Income $20,000-$39,999	43	42	2	11	2	20	47	33	0
Income $40,000- $59,999	40	55	0	1	4	15	52	33	0
Income $60,000 and over	53	36	0	4	6	24	41	35	0
Party Democrat	12	77	0	4	6	11	68	21	0
Party Independent	28	43	3	9	17	10	50	37	2
Party Republican	77	14	0	4	6	27	26	47	0
Region Northeast Ohio	38	52	0	3	7	20	50	30	0
Region Northwest Ohio	50	37	0	4	9	22	40	38	0
Region Central Ohio	56	32	1	8	3	24	41	34	1
Region Southeast Ohio	43	48	0	6	3	4	61	35	0
Region Southwest Ohio	45	41	0	5	9	19	44	37	0

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Demographic	Which of the following statements comes closest to your view of global warming?				Which one of the following do you think should be the most important priority for U.S. energy policy?				
	Proven fact, caused by emissions	Proven fact, caused by nature	Theory, not yet proven	Don't know	More drilling?	Nuclear plants?	Alternative energy?	Conserve energy?	Don't know
Ohio likely voters	46%	24%	28%	2%	29%	6%	55%	8%	1%
Age 18-29	51	29	20	0	17	2	71	10	0
Age 30-45	44	28	26	2	32	9	51	7	1
Age 46-64	47	21	30	1	31	7	54	7	2
Age 65 and over	42	18	33	7	33	6	47	10	4
Race African-American	59	19	19	2	20	2	72	6	0
Race white	43	25	29	3	31	7	52	8	2
Sex male	41	25	32	2	30	10	52	7	1
Sex female	50	23	24	3	29	3	57	9	2
Education less than high school	38	36	19	8	17	9	65	4	4
Education high school graduate	44	22	31	3	33	5	47	14	2
Education some college	49	24	25	2	26	3	64	6	1
Education college graduate	46	24	29	2	30	10	53	6	1
Income less than $20,000	45	37	15	3	14	5	67	10	4
Income $20,000-$39,999	48	20	29	3	34	3	55	7	1
Income $40,000- $59,999	53	13	32	2	36	6	53	5	0
Income $60,000 and over	45	25	30	0	29	10	51	10	0
Party Democrat	63	19	15	2	16	4	71	7	1
Party Independent	66	15	17	1	20	4	52	22	2
Party Republican	27	30	41	2	43	9	41	6	1
Region Northeast Ohio	51	20	27	2	31	5	55	9	1
Region Northwest Ohio	44	31	24	1	31	8	54	5	3
Region Central Ohio	51	21	26	2	36	9	46	9	0
Region Southeast Ohio	25	39	33	4	27	5	60	4	4
Region Southwest Ohio	43	23	31	4	23	8	58	10	2

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Would you approve or disapprove of building more nuclear power facilities to generate electricity?

Demographic	Strongly approve	Approve somewhat	Lean toward approving	Don't know	Lean toward disapproving	Disapprove somewhat	Strongly disapprove
Ohio likely voters	28%	29%	2%	3%	1%	19%	17%
Age 18-29	21	15	0	0	1	38	25
Age 30-45	29	31	1	3	2	16	17
Age 46-64	27	36	1	4	1	15	16
Age 65 and over	35	29	4	3	1	16	11
Race African-American	9	38	1	4	1	29	18
Race white	30	29	2	3	1	18	16
Sex male	44	26	1	2	0	15	13
Sex female	15	32	2	5	2	23	20
Education less than high school	17	46	2	2	1	30	3
Education high school graduate	27	28	1	2	2	18	21
Education some college	25	26	2	3	1	27	17
Education college graduate	33	31	2	5	2	14	15
Income less than $20,000	18	26	2	4	0	22	27
Income $20,000-$39,999	26	30	2	2	5	16	19
Income $40,000- $59,999	29	28	3	2	1	24	13
Income $60,000 and over	31	30	1	3	1	18	17
Party Democrat	17	32	2	4	1	24	20
Party Independent	16	32	4	3	0	13	32
Party Republican	41	28	1	3	2	14	11
Region Northeast Ohio	24	31	1	2	1	22	19
Region Northwest Ohio	29	37	1	7	0	10	16
Region Central Ohio	32	29	3	5	2	18	10
Region Southeast Ohio	24	23	2	2	0	30	19
Region Southwest Ohio	34	26	1	4	2	17	16

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Demographic	Regardless of who you support, which candidate do you think would do the best job of improving the health care system?					Which of these do you think is more important?		
	McCain	Obama	Other candidate	Neither	Don't know	Universal coverage, even with higher taxes	No tax hikes for universal coverage	Don't know
Ohio likely voters	34%	53%	0%	9%	4%	65%	32%	3%
Age 18-29	32	62	0	6	0	79	21	0
Age 30-45	33	51	0	11	5	59	37	3
Age 46-64	35	55	0	6	4	63	35	2
Age 65 and over	36	47	0	11	6	65	29	6
Race African-American	0	99	0	1	0	93	7	0
Race white	38	48	0	10	5	61	36	4
Sex male	35	48	0	14	3	56	43	2
Sex female	32	58	0	4	5	72	24	4
Education less than high school	9	87	0	4	0	86	10	4
Education high school graduate	34	54	0	6	5	62	34	4
Education some college	26	58	0	10	6	72	25	3
Education college graduate	41	46	0	10	3	59	39	2
Income less than $20,000	32	59	0	3	6	78	20	2
Income $20,000-$39,999	31	55	0	13	2	72	25	3
Income $40,000- $59,999	35	59	0	2	4	68	29	3
Income $60,000 and over	35	52	0	10	2	57	42	1
Party Democrat	7	83	0	5	4	87	11	3
Party Independent	15	65	0	14	6	67	32	1
Party Republican	61	25	0	11	3	44	54	3
Region Northeast Ohio	32	60	0	6	3	67	29	4
Region Northwest Ohio	40	40	0	9	12	70	26	4
Region Central Ohio	33	47	1	16	4	54	44	2
Region Southeast Ohio	37	54	0	9	0	59	39	3
Region Southwest Ohio	33	54	0	9	4	65	33	2